



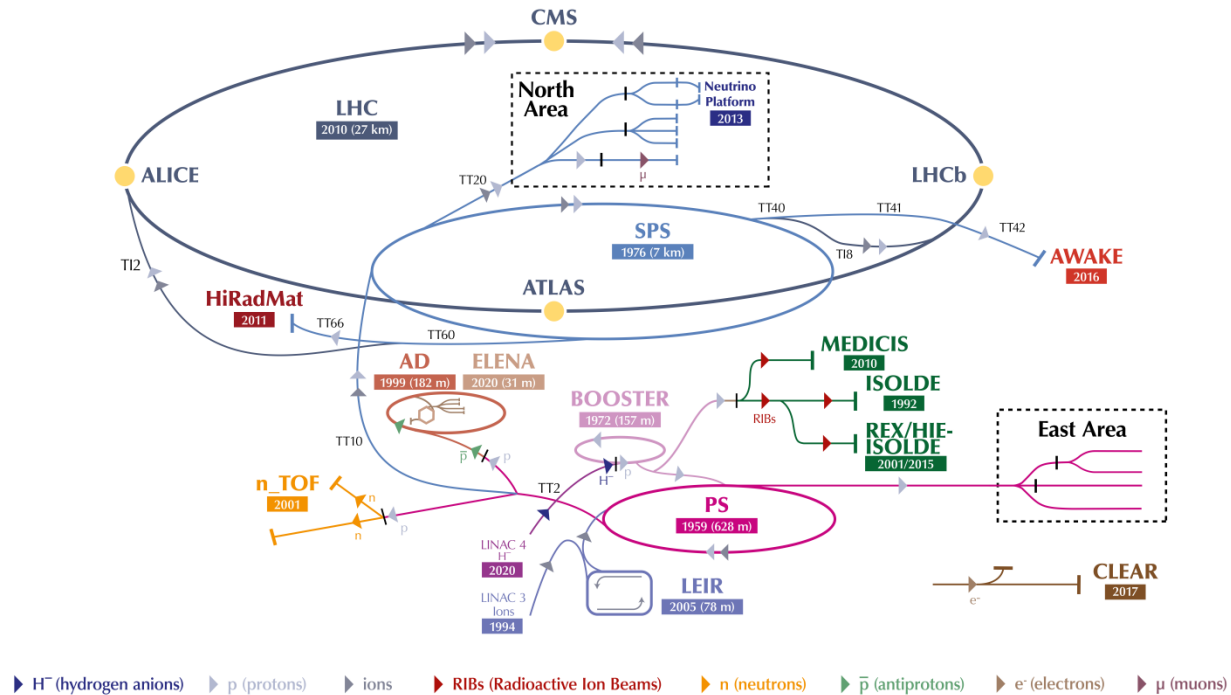
NA61/SHINE detector overview

Outline

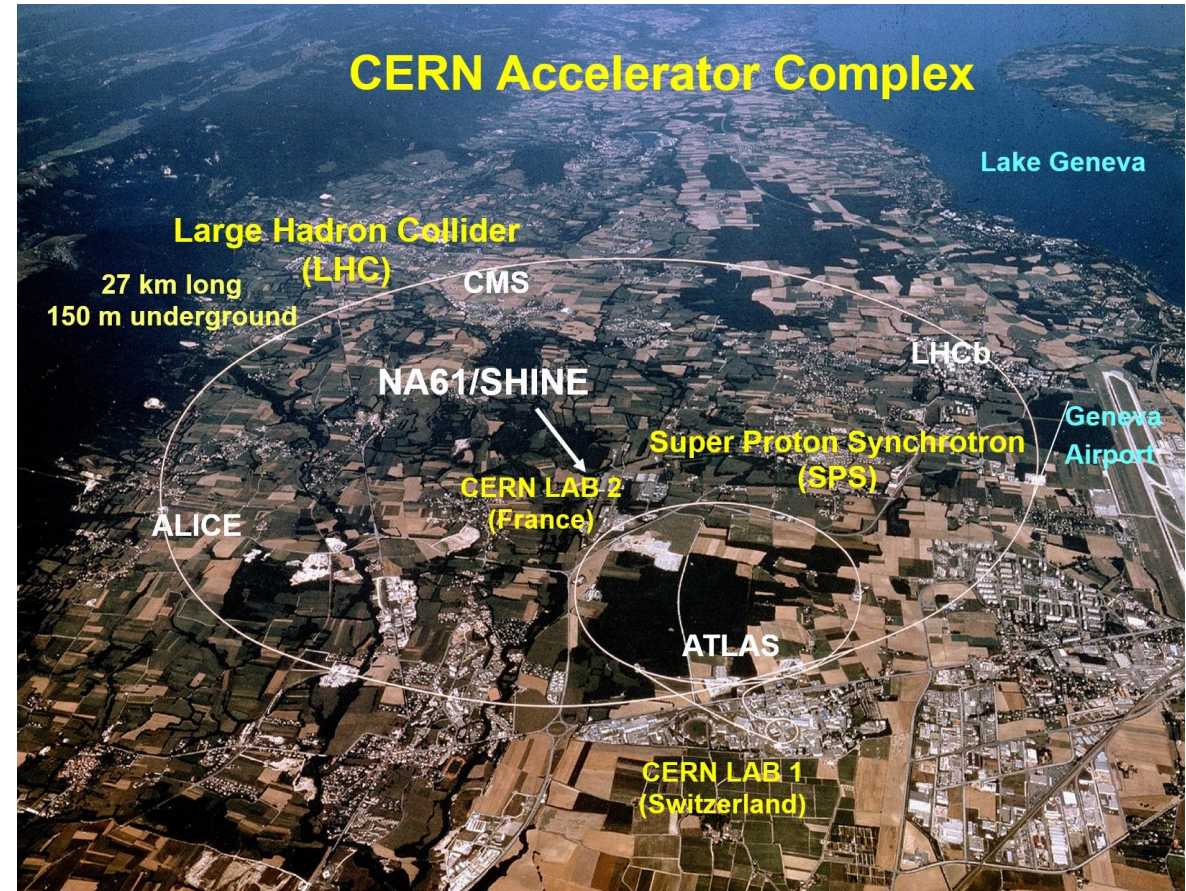
- Fixed target experiment
- NA61/SHINE detector – general overview
- Time Project Chamber
 - Tracking
 - Energy lost – particle identification
- Time of Flight
 - Particle identification
- Projectile Spectator Detector
 - Centrality of the collisions
- Vertex Detector
 - V0 particle
- Beam Detectors

CERN accelerator complex

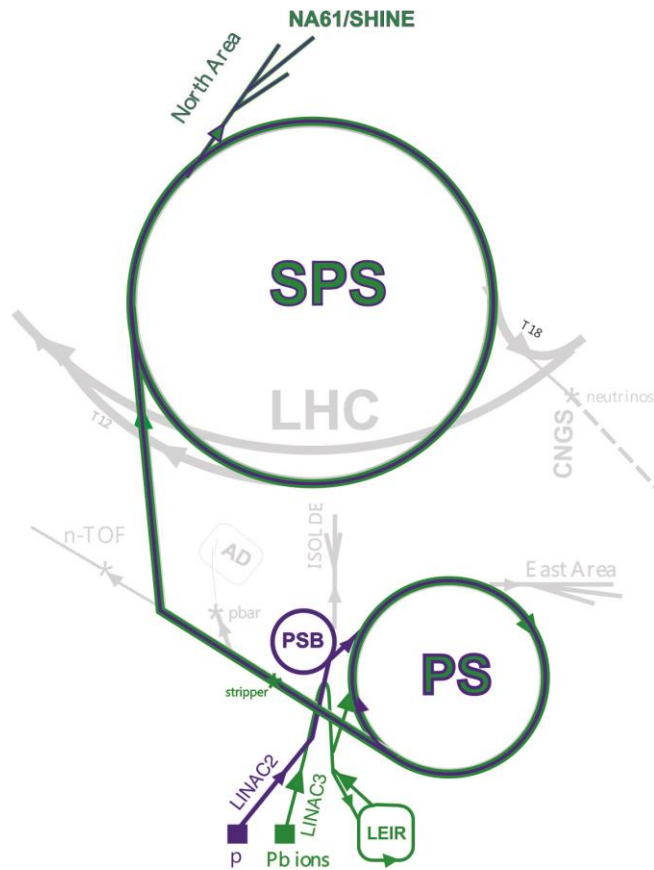
The CERN accelerator complex
Complexe des accélérateurs du CERN



LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Linear Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE-ISOLDE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // MEDICIS // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n_TOF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials // Neutrino Platform



SPS



Hadron beams:

- p (400 GeV/c)
- Secondary π , K, p (13–350 GeV/c)

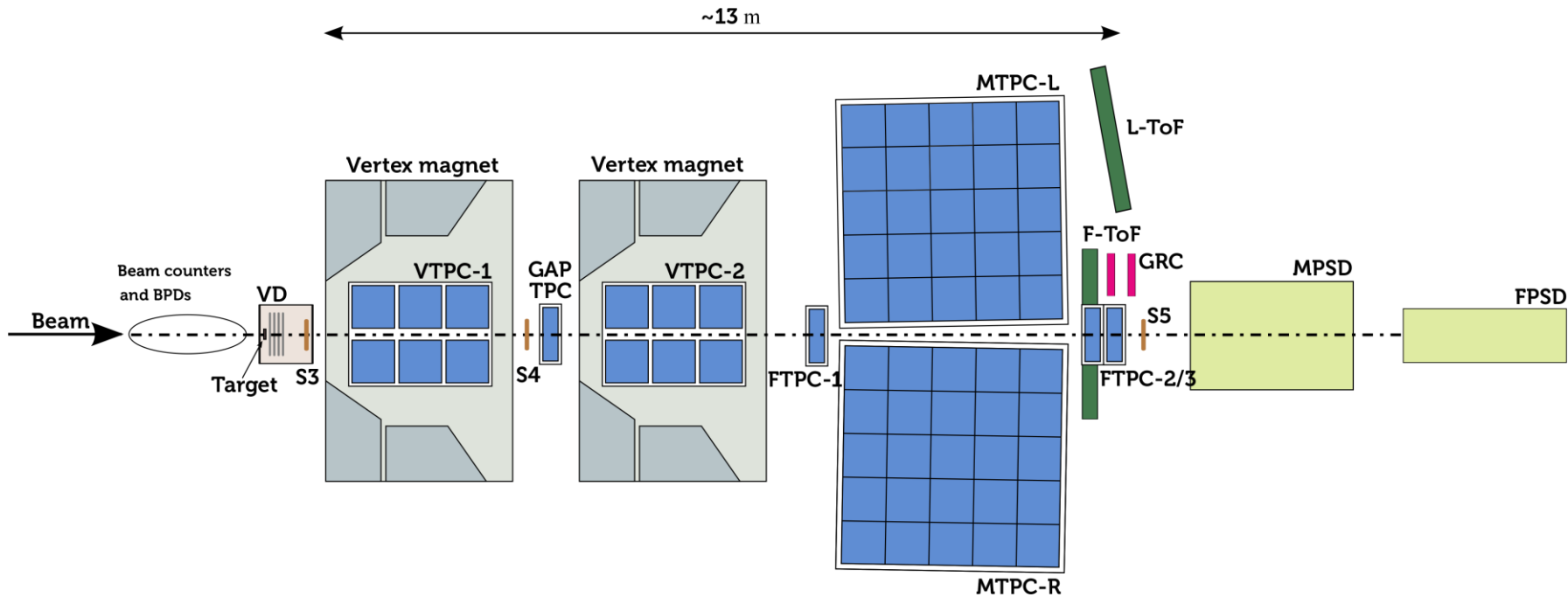
Ion beams:

- Ar, Xe, Pb (13–150A GeV/c)
- Secondary Be (13–150A GeV/c) (from Pb fragmentation)

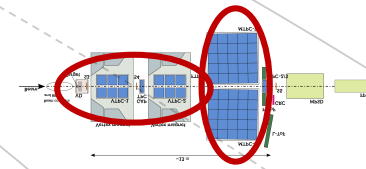
Large acceptance:

- Full forward hemisphere coverage (down to $p_T = 0$)
- Tracking efficiency: $> 95\%$
- Event rate: $\sim 1\text{k events/s}$

NA61/SHINE - Experimental layout



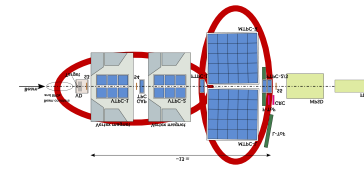
- Large acceptance hadron spectrometer
- Beam particles measured in set of counters and position detectors
- Tracks of charged particles measured in set of TPCs: measurement of q , p and identification by energy loss measurement
- Two Time of Flight Walls: identification via time of flight measurement
- Projectile Spectator Detector measures the forward energy which characterizes centrality of collision
- Vertex Detector (open charm measurements)
- Forward TPC-1/2/3



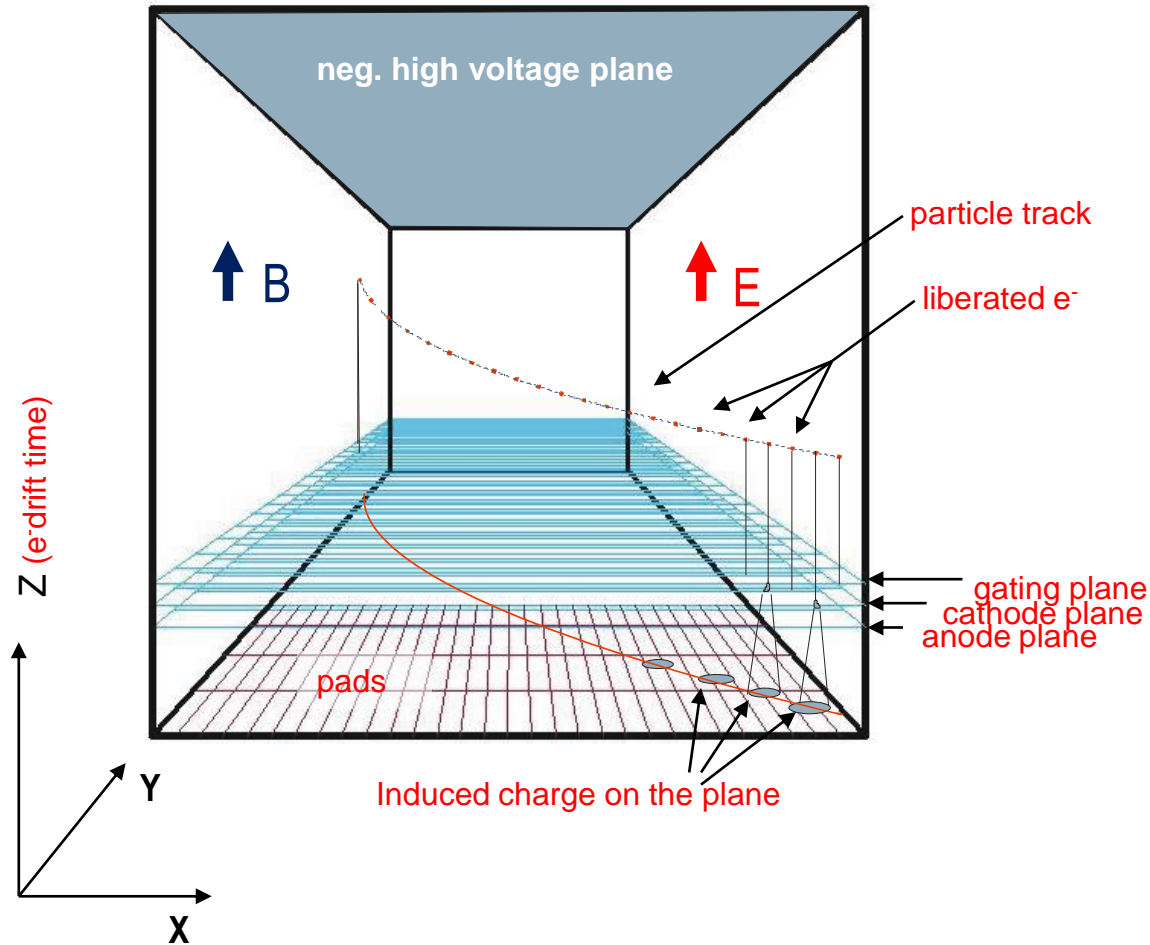
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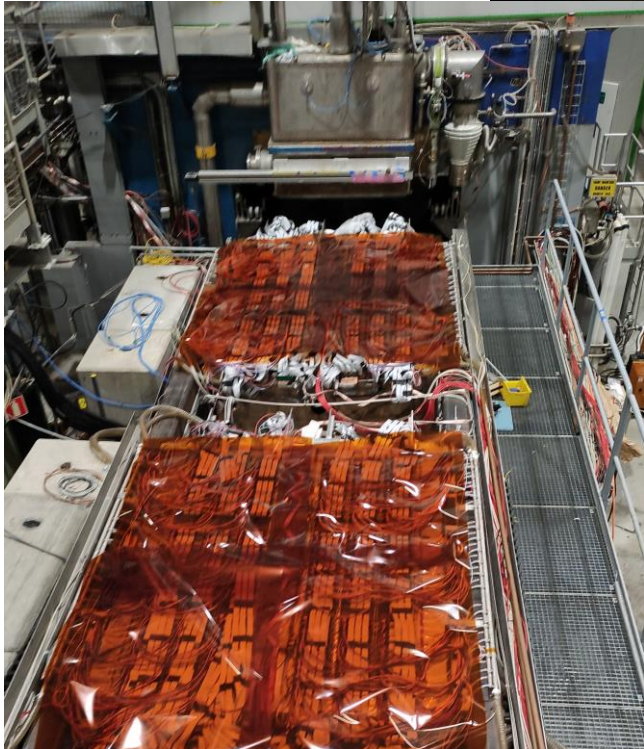
TPC - Time Projection Chamber



Time Projection Chamber
full 3D track reconstruction:

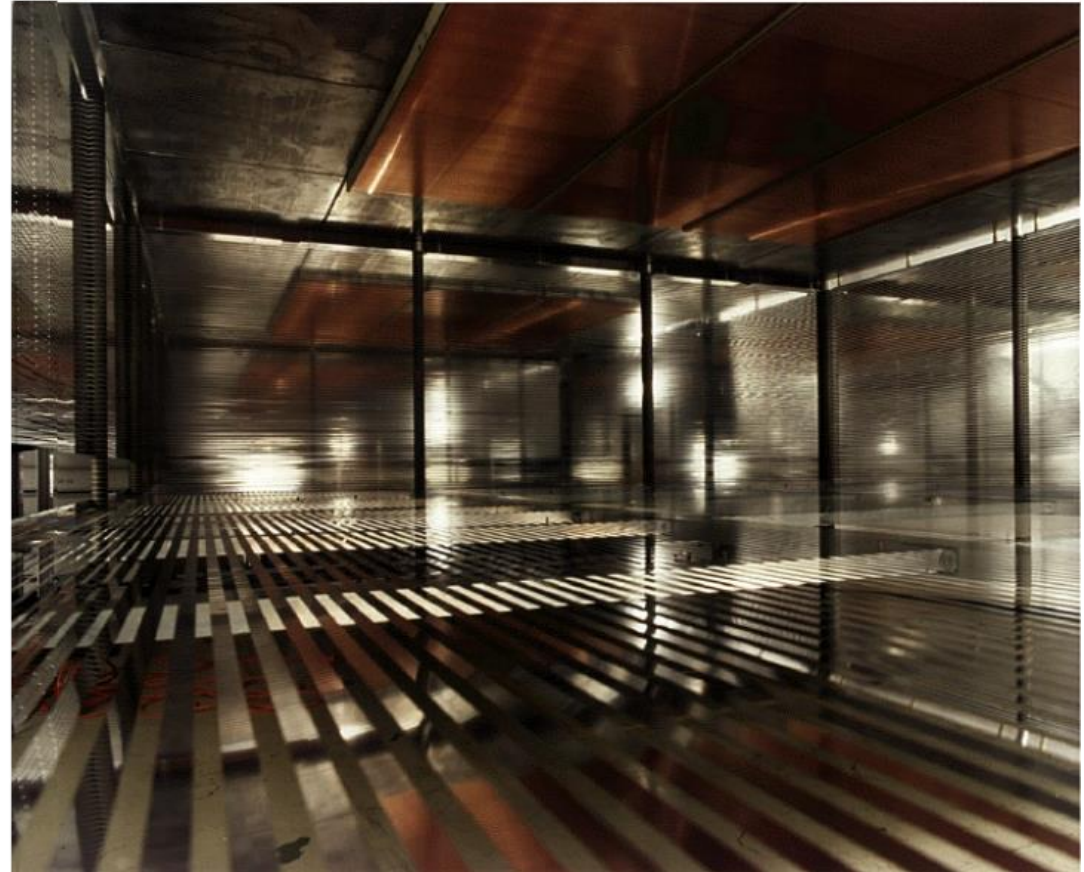
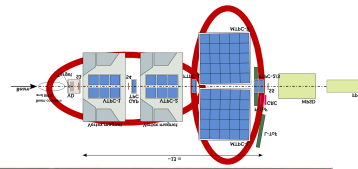
- x-y from wires and segmented cathode of MWPC
- z from drift time
- Momentum resolution
space resolution + B field
(multiple scattering)
- energy resolution
- measure of primary ionization

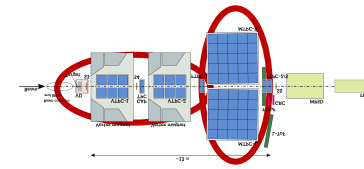
TPC



VTPC

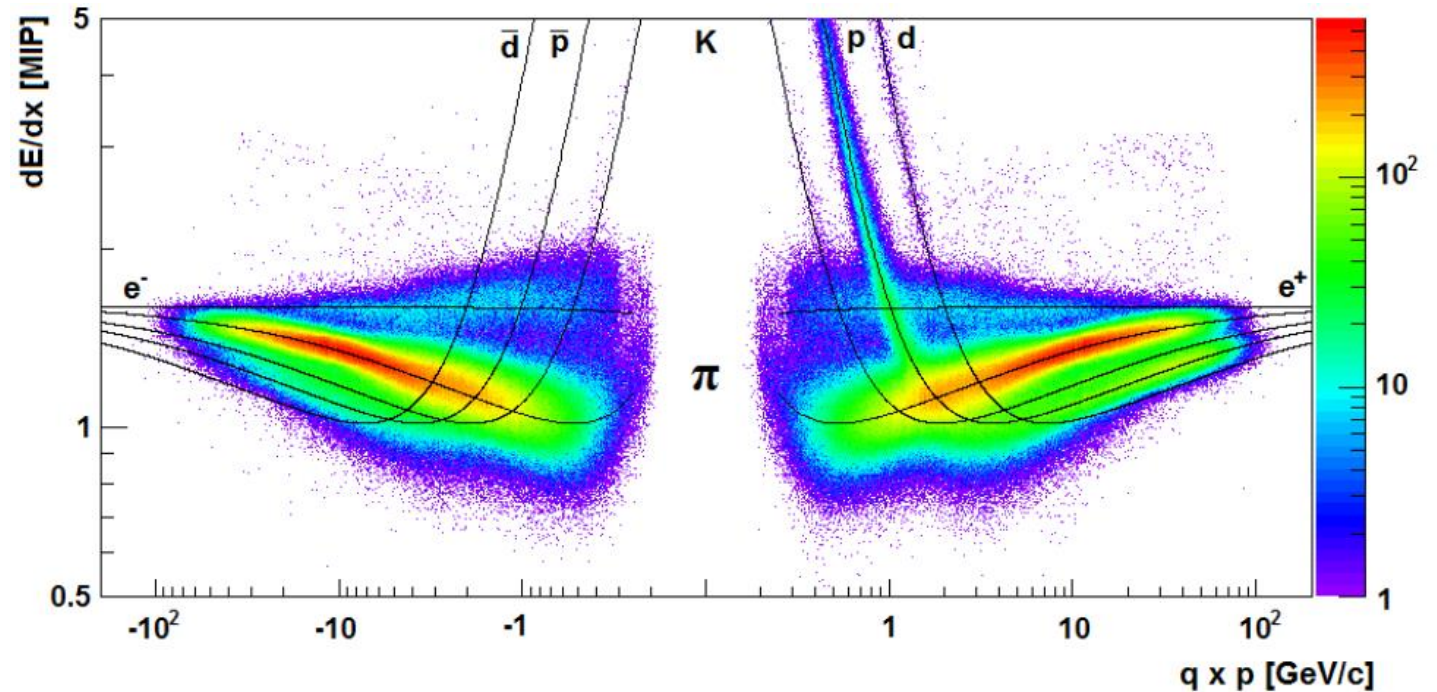
Inside the MTPC

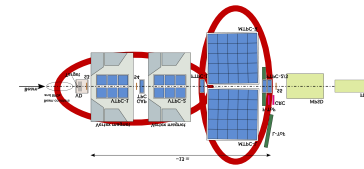




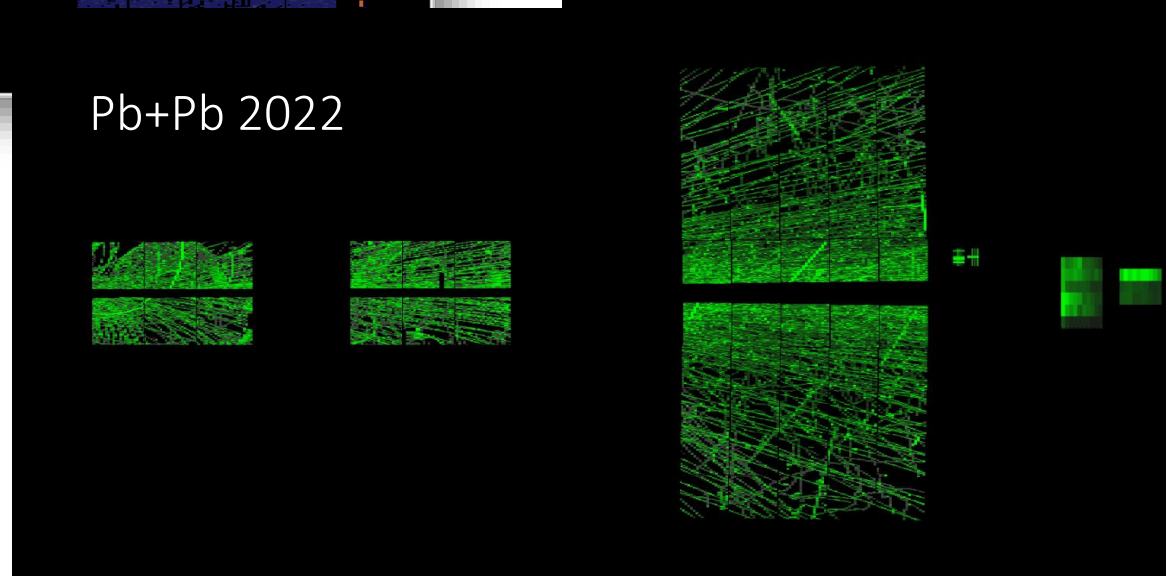
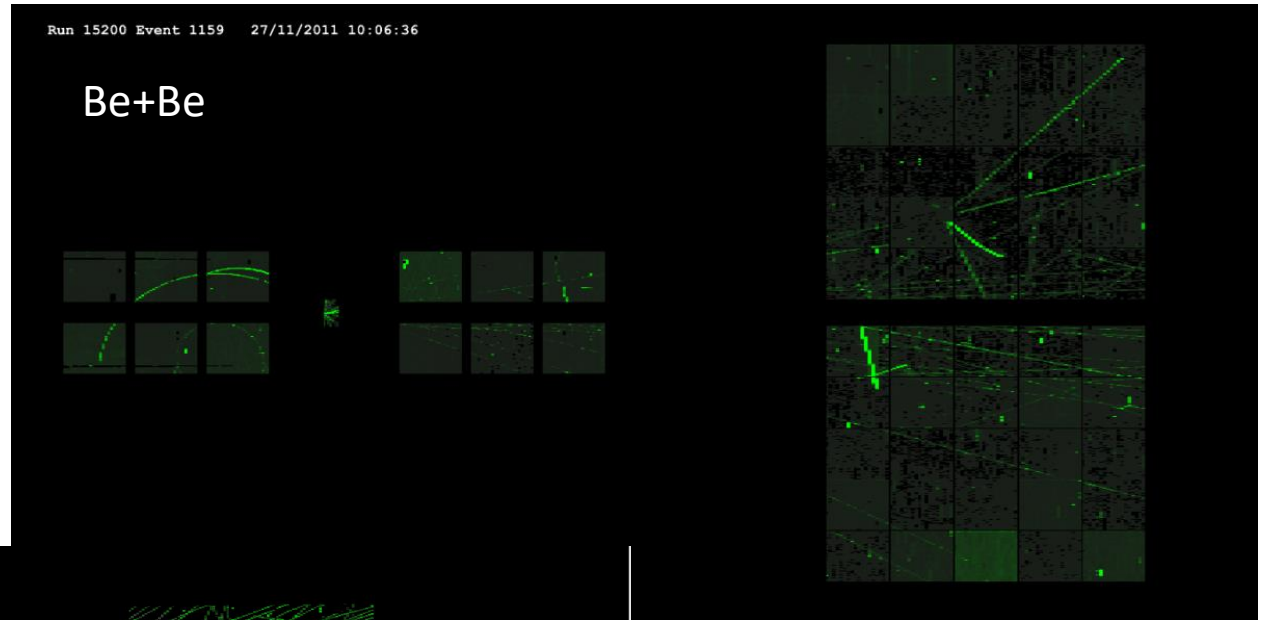
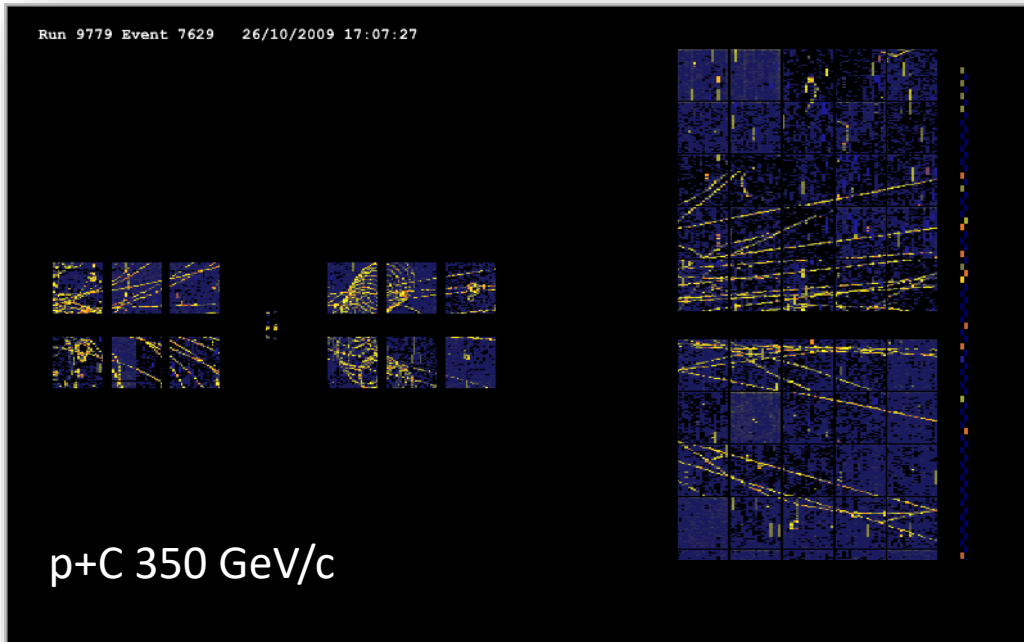
TPC performance

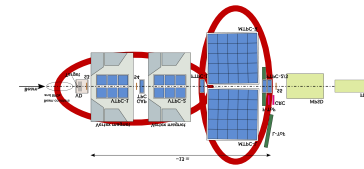
- Bending power of the 2 vertex magnets: 9 Tm at 1.5 T magnetic field (setting for 150 GeV/n)
- Field is scaled with the beam momentum
- Momentum resolution: $\sigma(p)/p^2 = 10^{-4} (\text{GeV}/c)^{-1}$
- Particle identification via dE/dx: $\sigma(dE/dx)/dE/dx = 3 - 4\%$ (p-p ... Pb-Pb)
- Gas mixture Ar/CO₂





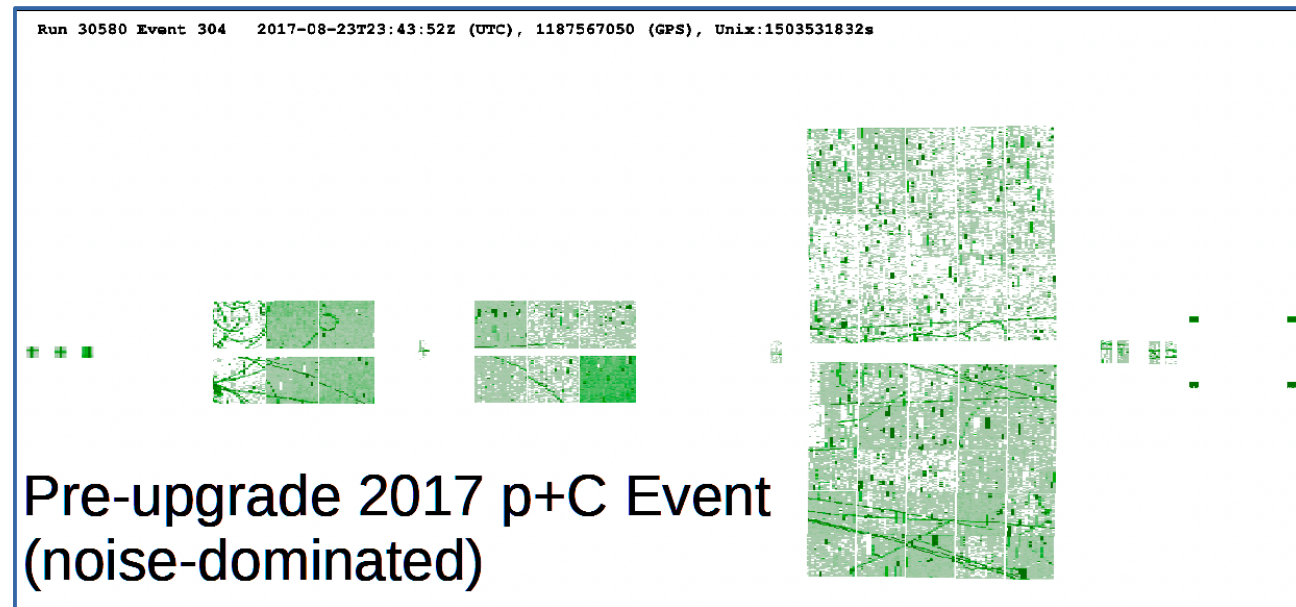
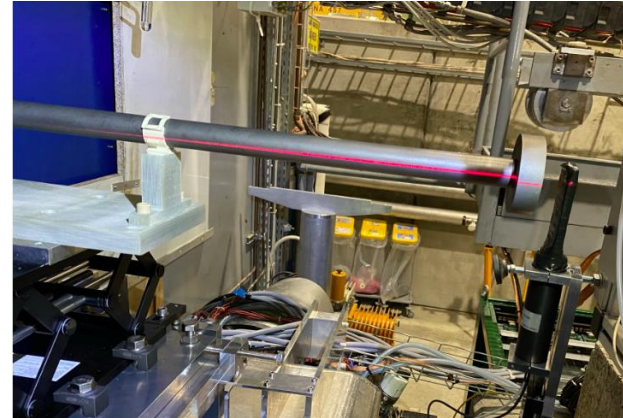
TPC - Tracking

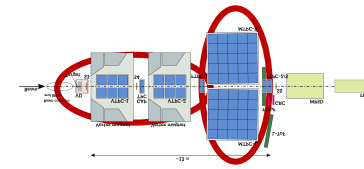




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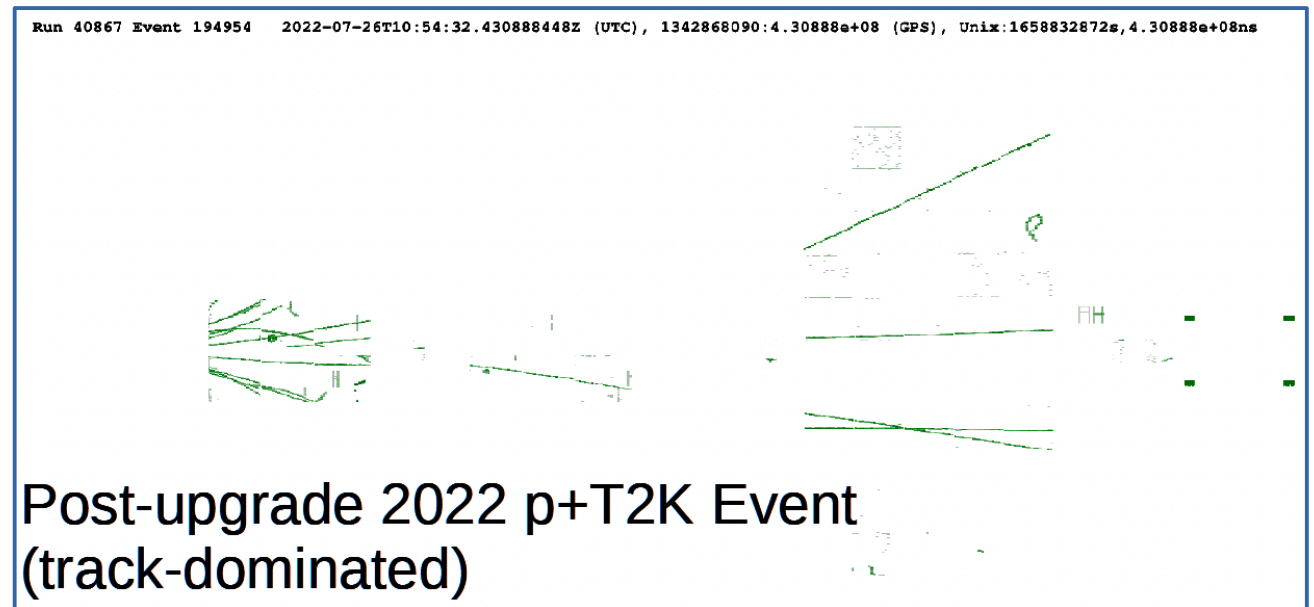
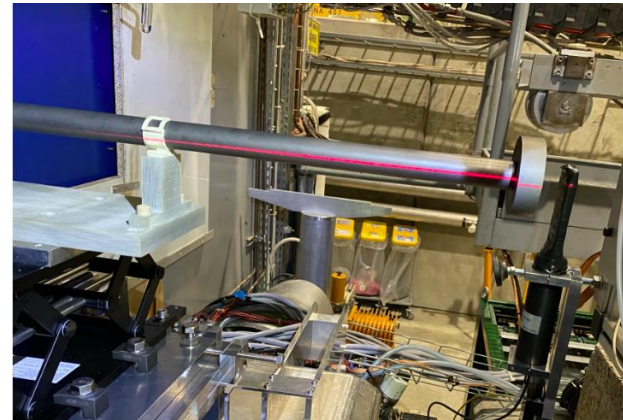
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 - Summer 2022 data: 31 GeV/c protons on T2K replica target
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- Stable operation at 1.6 kHz
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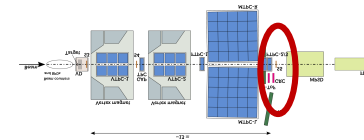




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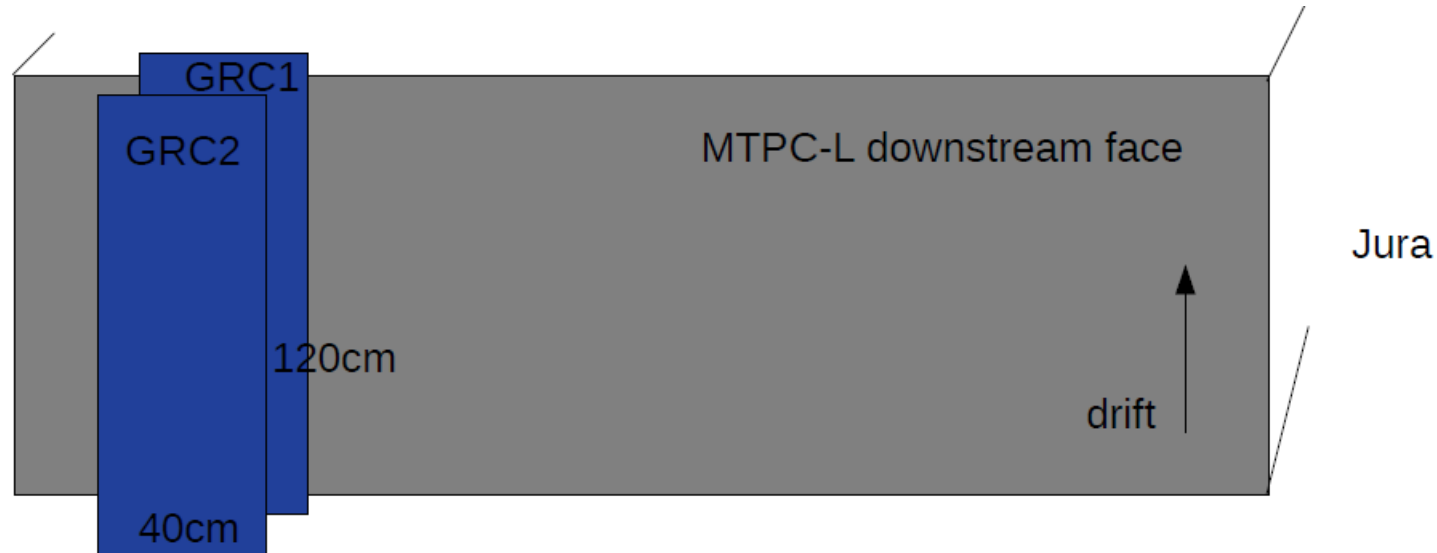
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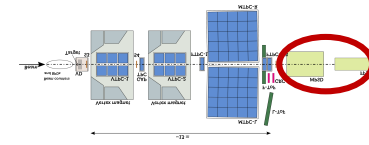




GRC - Geometry Reference Chamber

- Calibrate TPC y-drift coordinate
- Two GRCs chambers are installed
 - (40 x 120 cm MWPC)



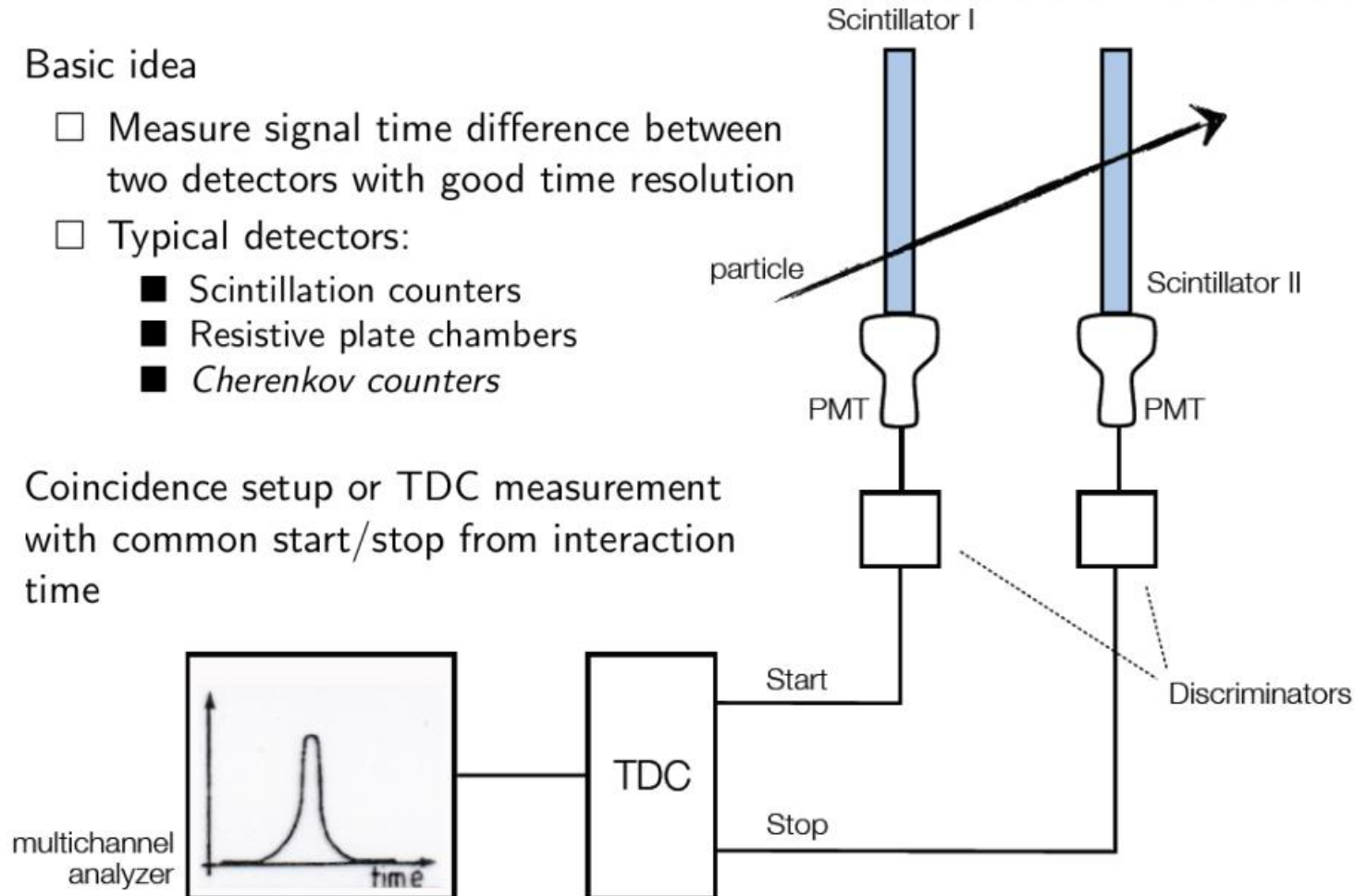


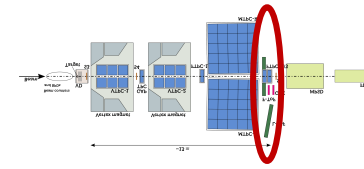
Time of Flight systems (ToF)

Basic idea

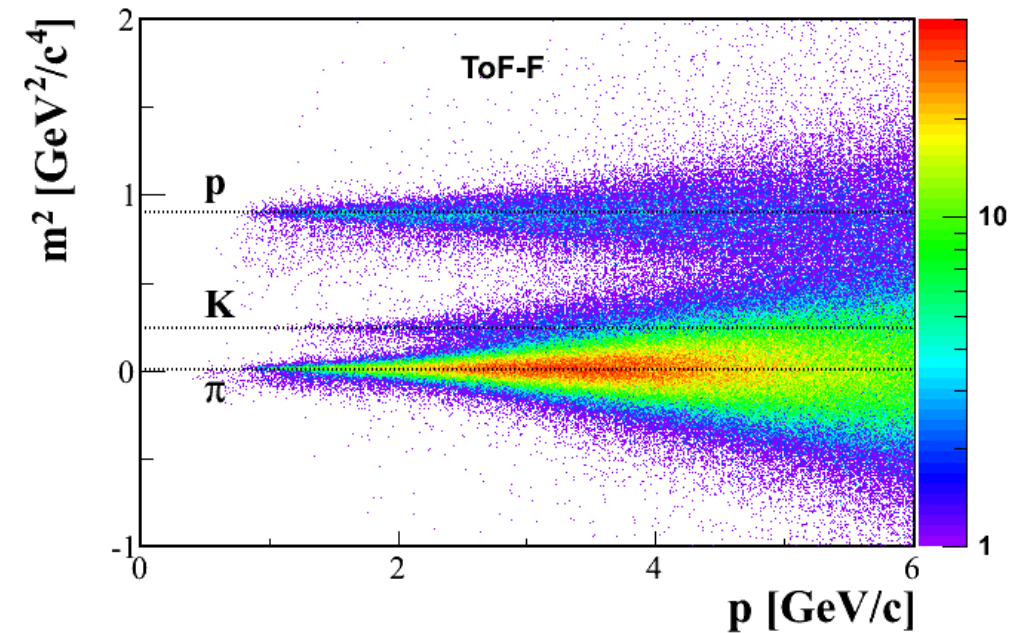
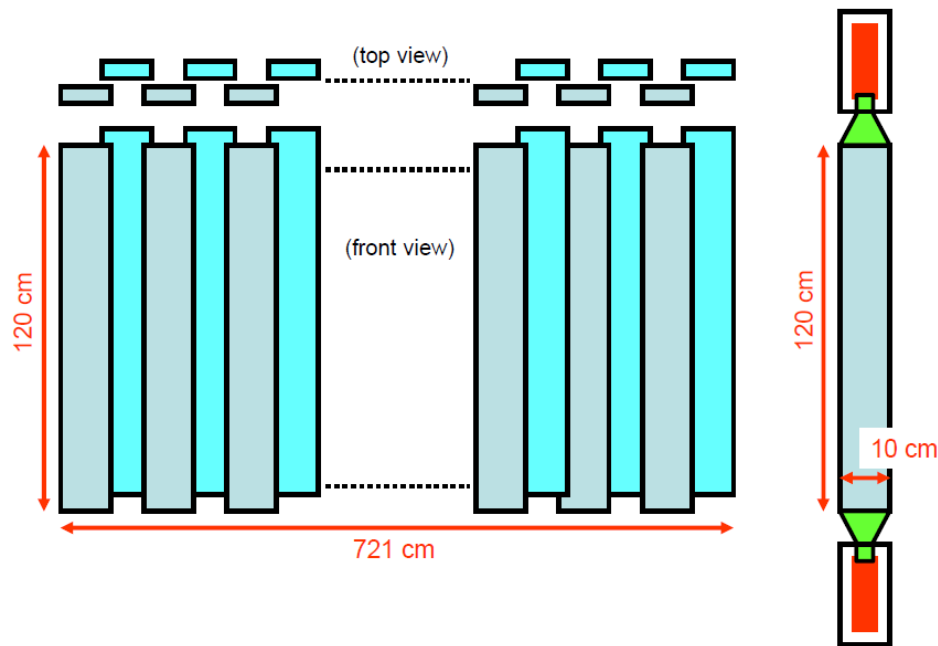
- Measure signal time difference between two detectors with good time resolution
- Typical detectors:
 - Scintillation counters
 - Resistive plate chambers
 - *Cherenkov counters*

Coincidence setup or TDC measurement with common start/stop from interaction time





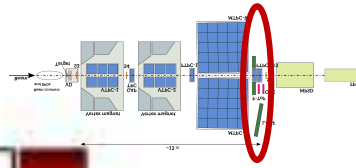
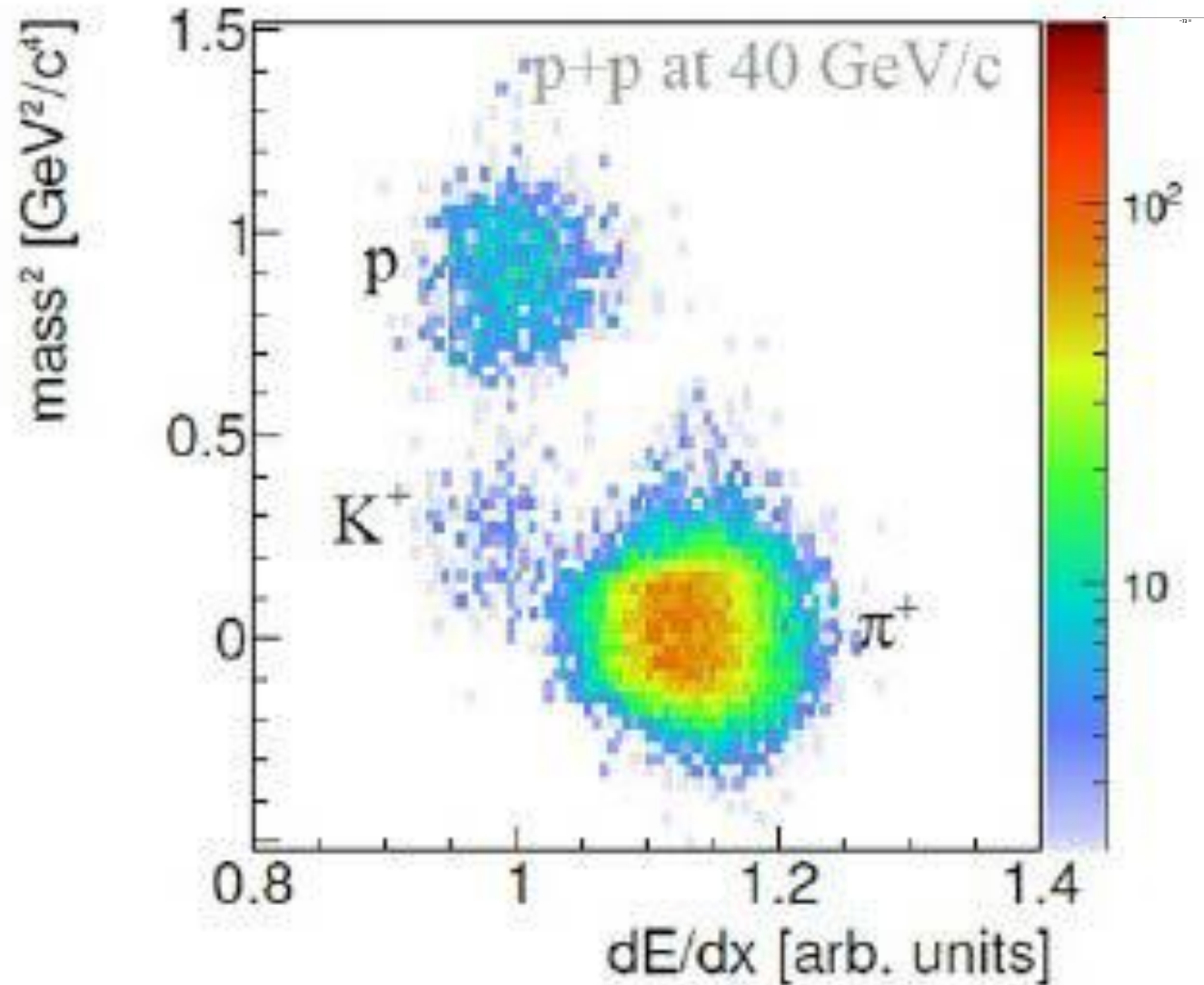
Forward Time of Flight systems (F-ToF)

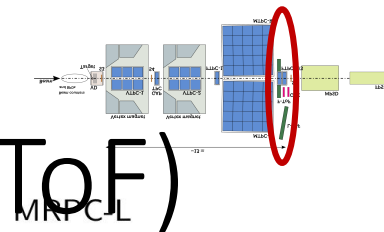


Good particle identification: $\sigma(TOF) \approx 80$ ps (for old TOF walls)

Combined PID

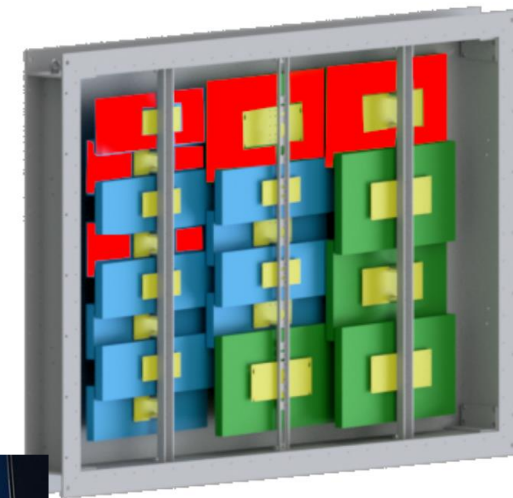
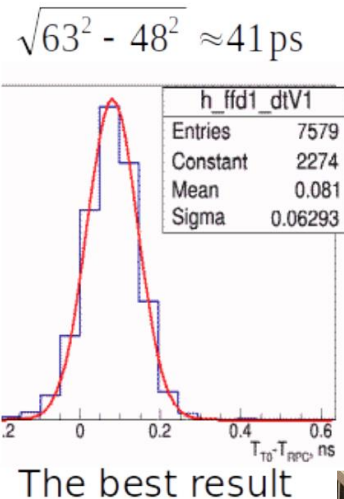
- *tof-dE/dx* method estimates number of p , K , π using an energy loss and a particle time of flight measurements
- dE/dx – from TPC
- *Tof* – from time of flight (scintillators detectors)





Multigap Resistive Plate Chamber (MRPC ToF)

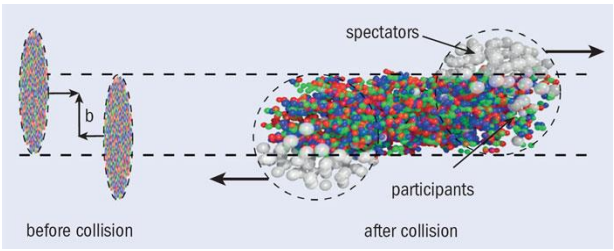
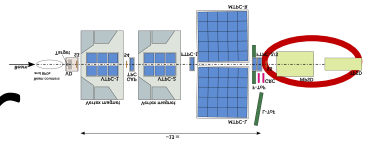
- high efficiency (> 95%);
- intrinsic time resolution < 75 ps;
- high granularity in order to keep the overall system occupancy below 10%;
- good position resolution to provide effective matching of the TOF hits with the tracks;
- MRPC-L – operational
- MRPC-R – in production (ready 2023)



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	Number of detectors	Number of readout strips	Sensitive area, m ²	Number of FEE cards	Number of FEE channels
MRPC	1	48	0.090/0.180	6	96
Columns	4/6/8	192/288/384	1.23	24/36/48	384/576/768
MRPC-L	18	864	1.896	108	1728
MRPC-L+R	40	1920	3.792	240	3840

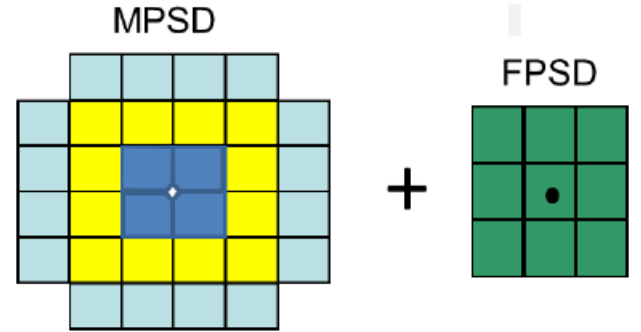
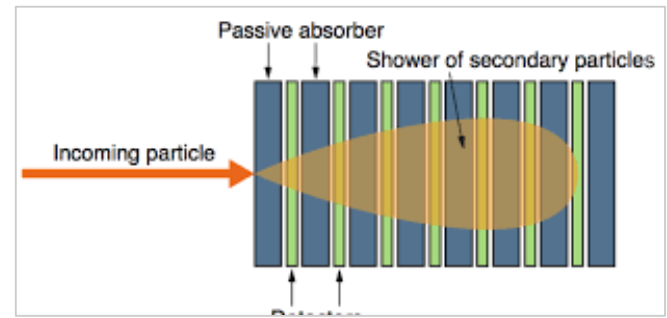
PSD - Projectile Spectator Detector



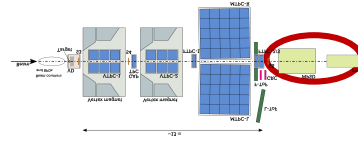
- forward hadron calorimeter
- measurement of projectile spectator energy in nucleus-nucleus collisions
- Measure centrality of the collision



Main PSD: 32 modules.
Forward PSD: 9 modules

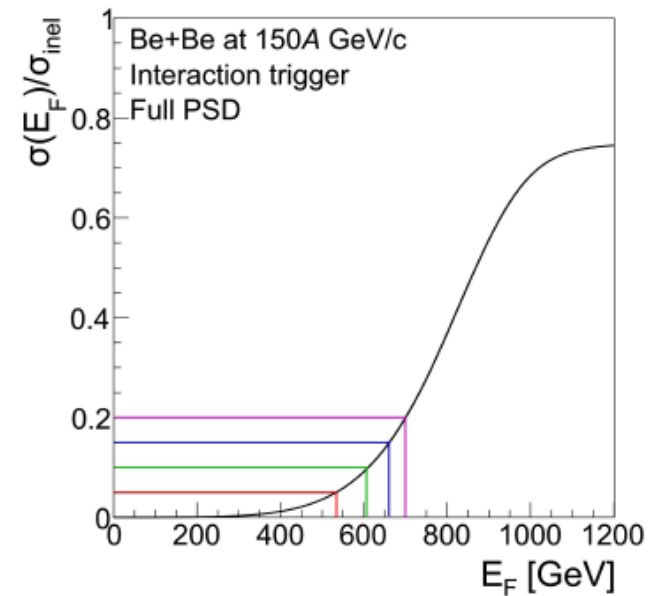
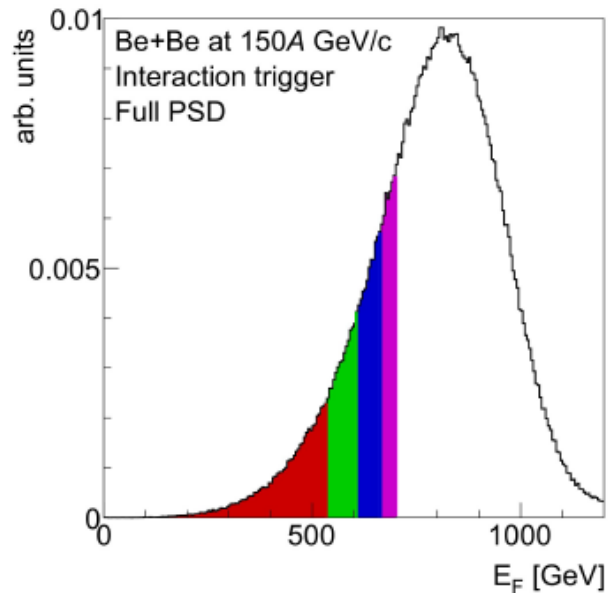


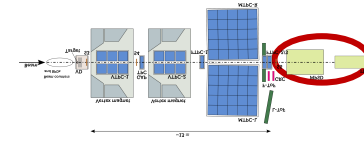
Projectile Spectator Detector



- measures the forward energy E_F related to the non-interacting nucleons of the beam nucleus
 - Intervals in E_F allow to select different centrality classes

— 0 - 5% — 5 - 10% — 10 - 15% — 15 - 20%

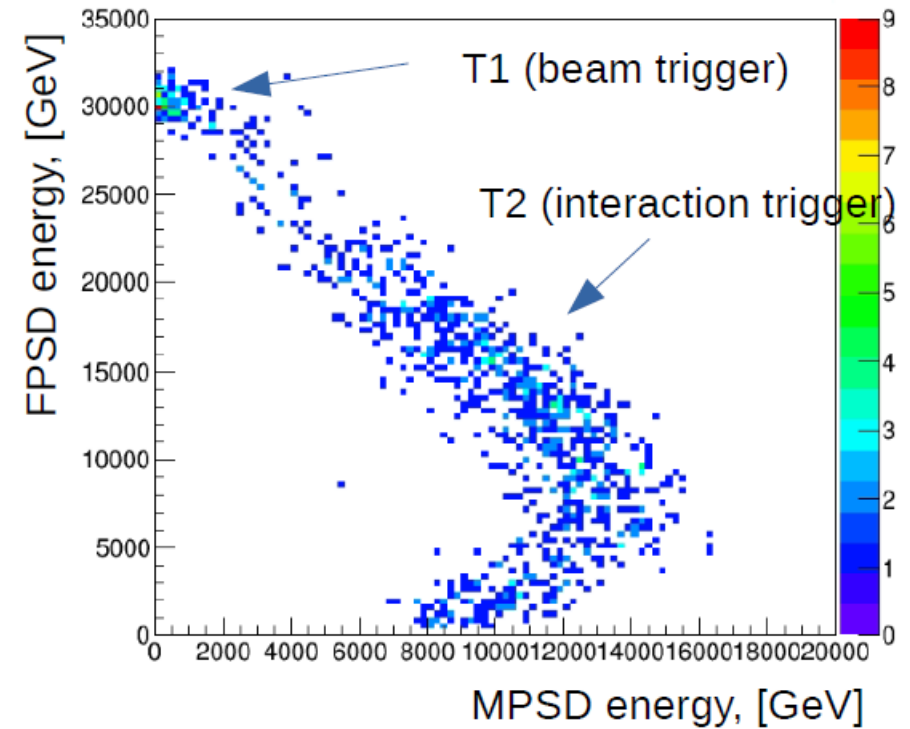
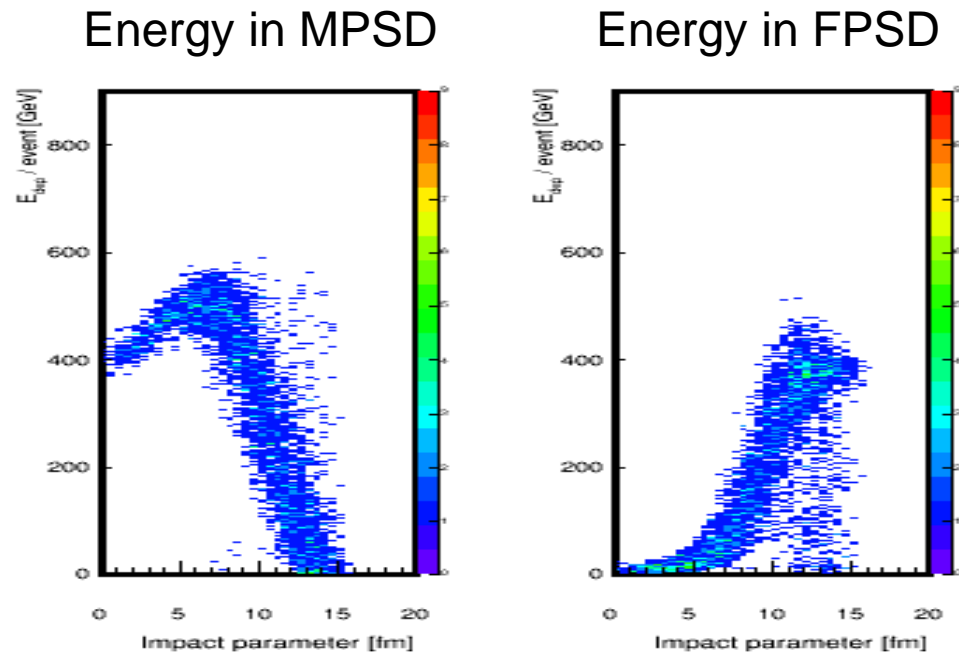


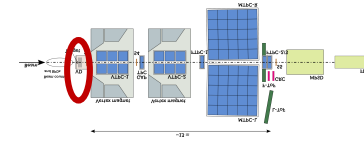


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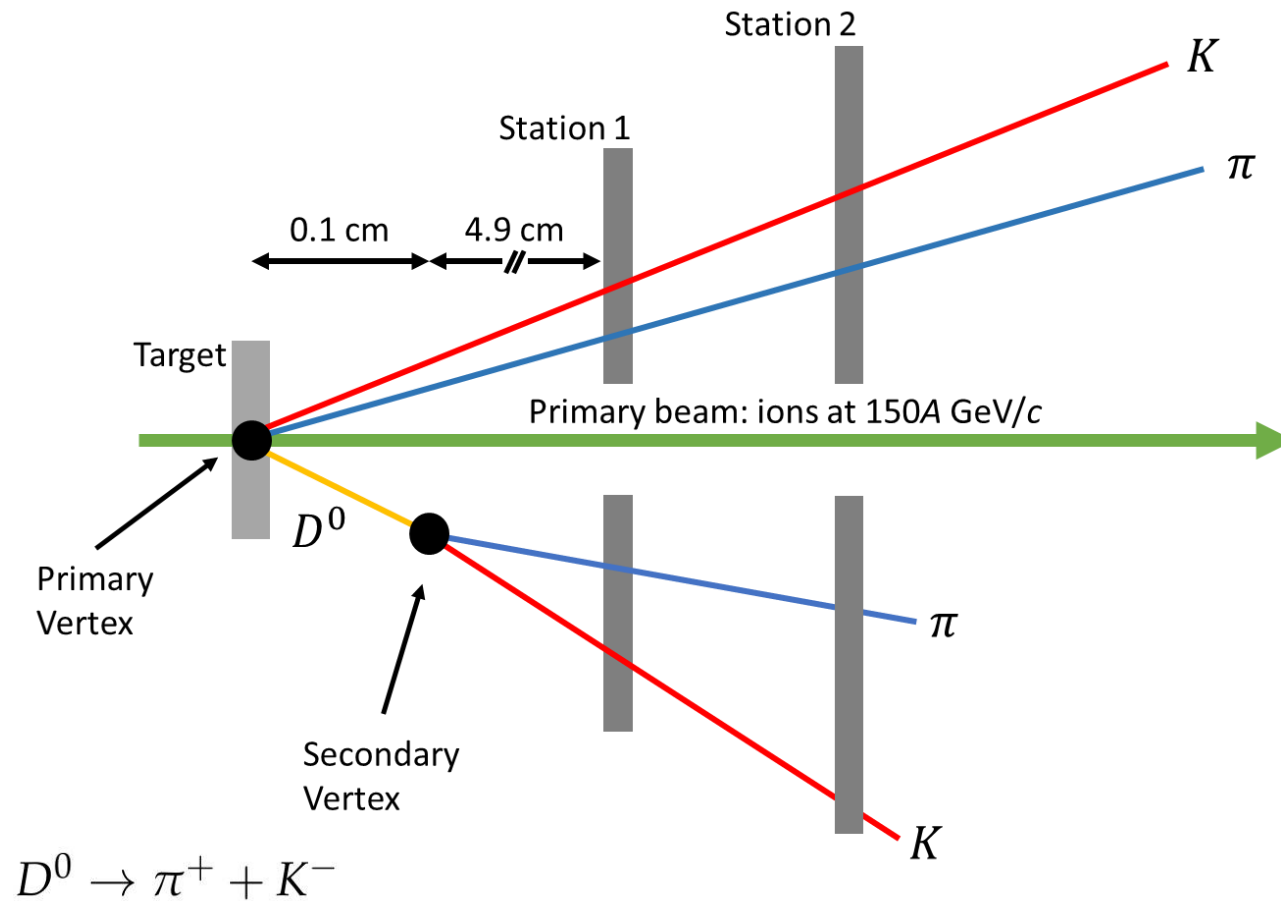
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First data from FPSD + MPSD on beam of Pb+Pb 150 AGeV, November 2022

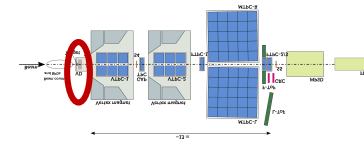




Studies of open charm measurements

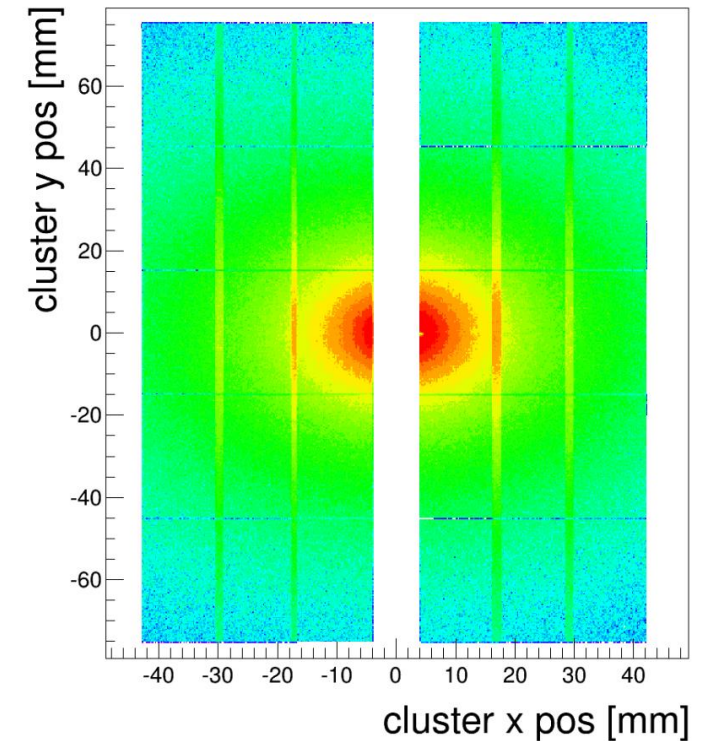
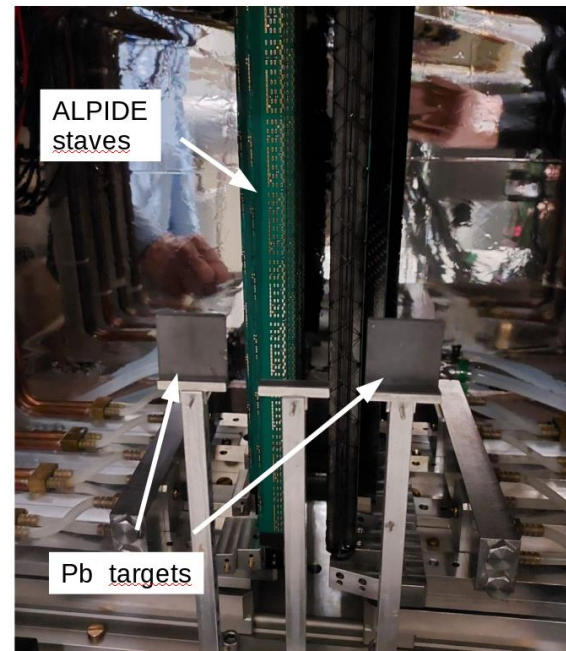
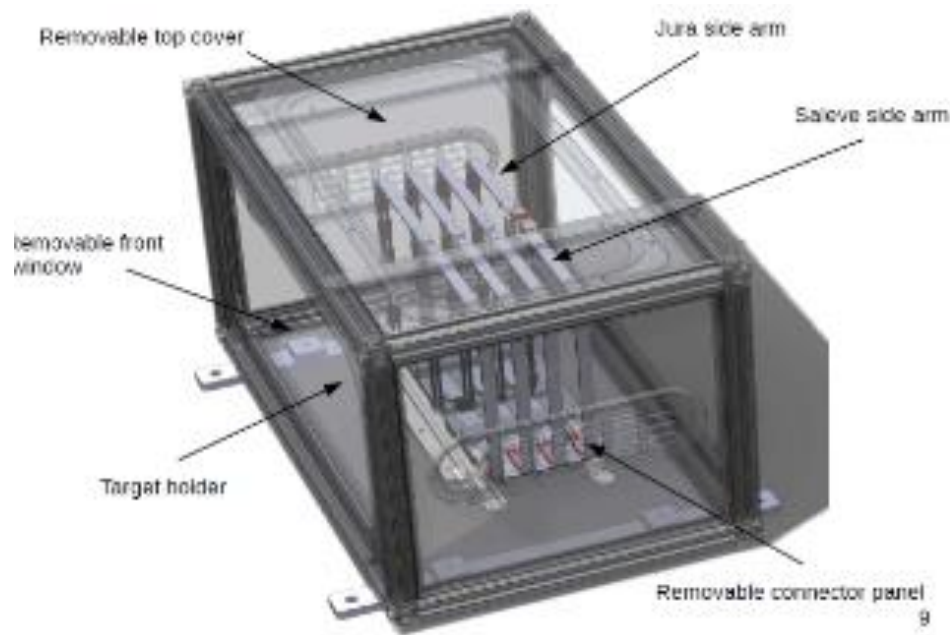


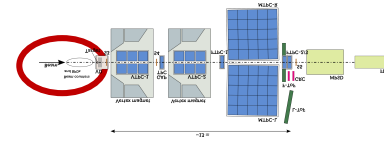
Vertex detector is needed to reconstruct primary vertex and secondary vertexes with high precision



Vertex detector

- Silicon sensors (ALPIDE) located on horizontally movable arms
- Target holder integrated



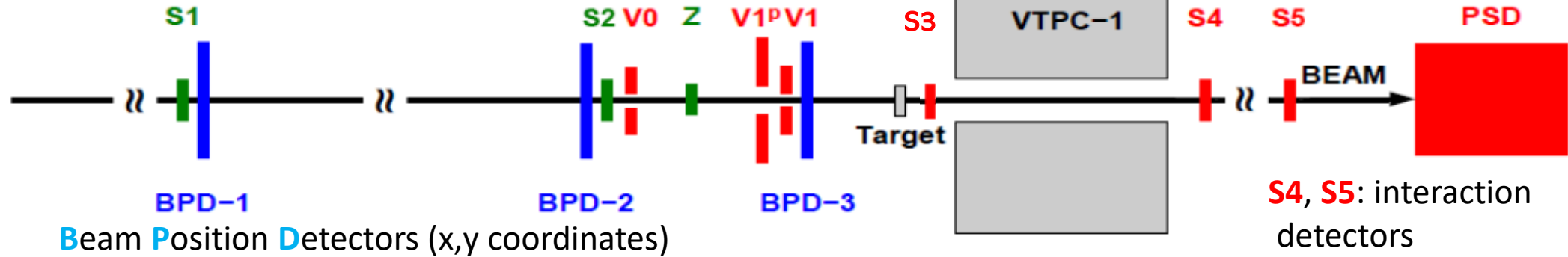


Beam detectors

S1, S2: trigger detectors: timing

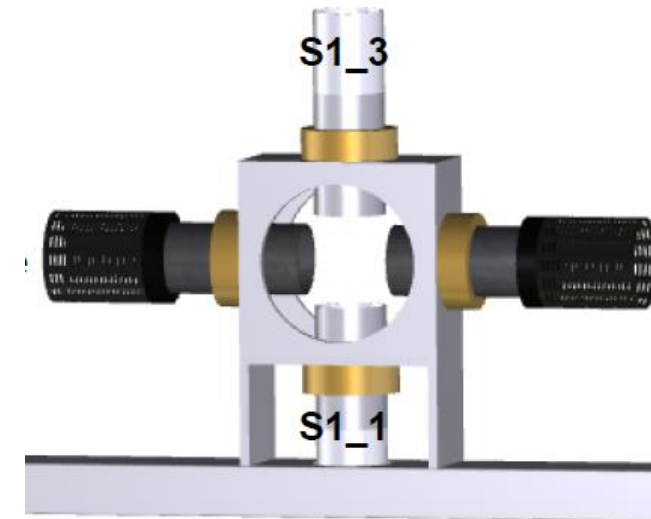
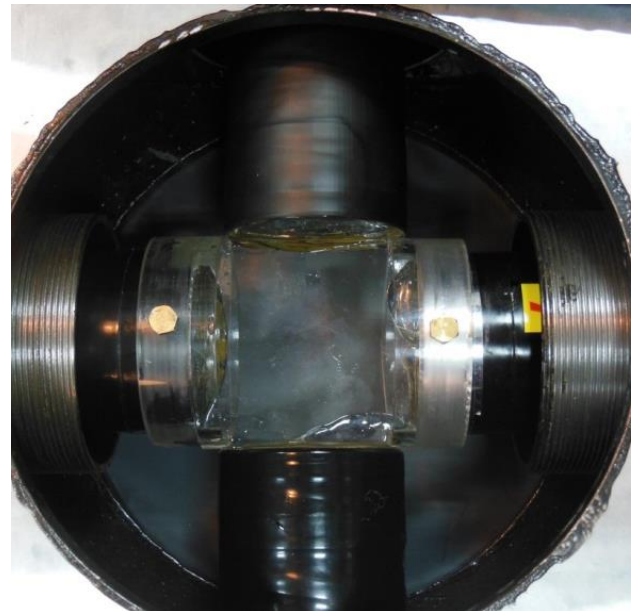
Z: dE/dx charge of beam

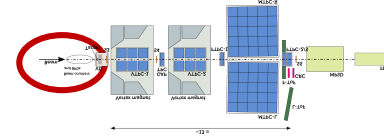
V0, V1, V2: veto to limit beam diameter



Set of scintillation (plastic) and Cherenkov counters (quartz) as well as the beam position detectors

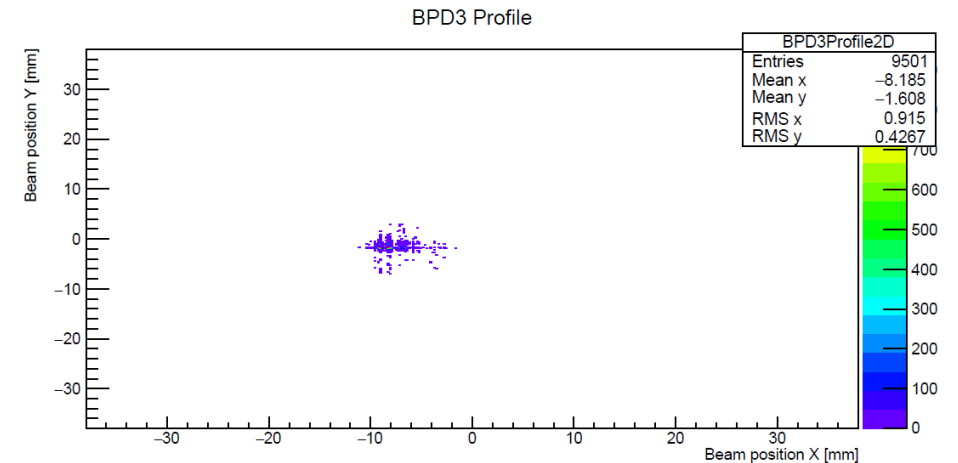
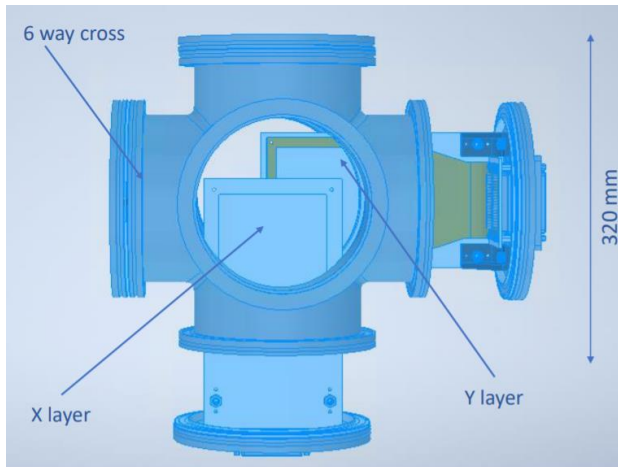
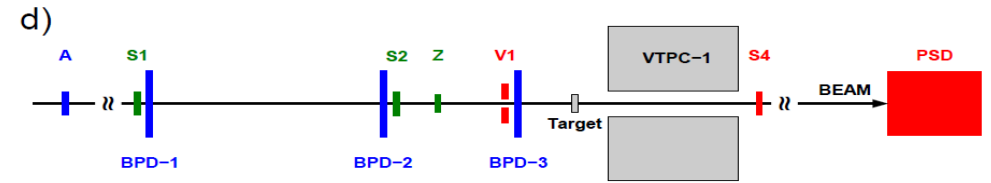
- located upstream of the target
- provide precise timing reference,
- charge and position measurement of the incoming beam particles



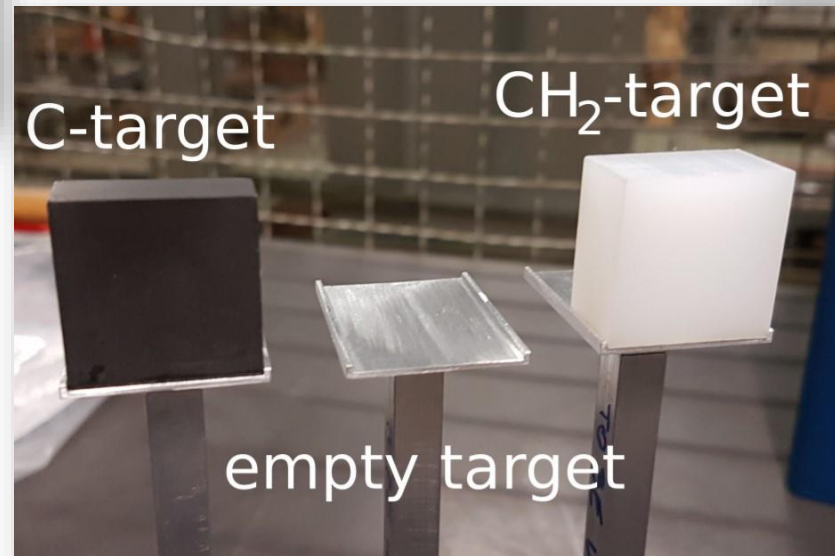
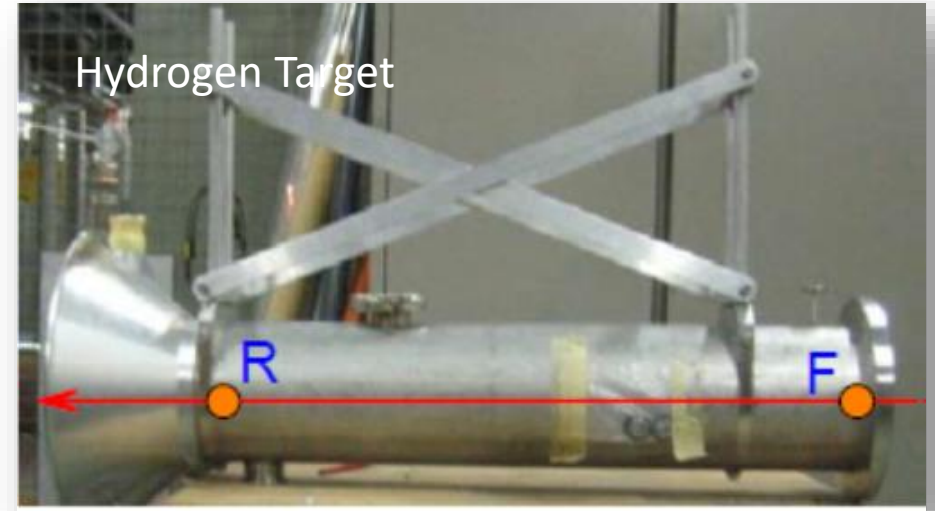
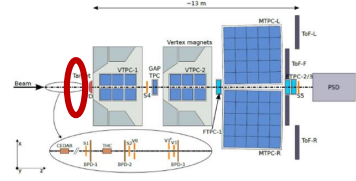


Beam Position Detectors

- The positions of the incoming beam particles in the transverse plane are measured by a telescope of three BPDs
- Single Sided Silicon strip detector
- 200 channels

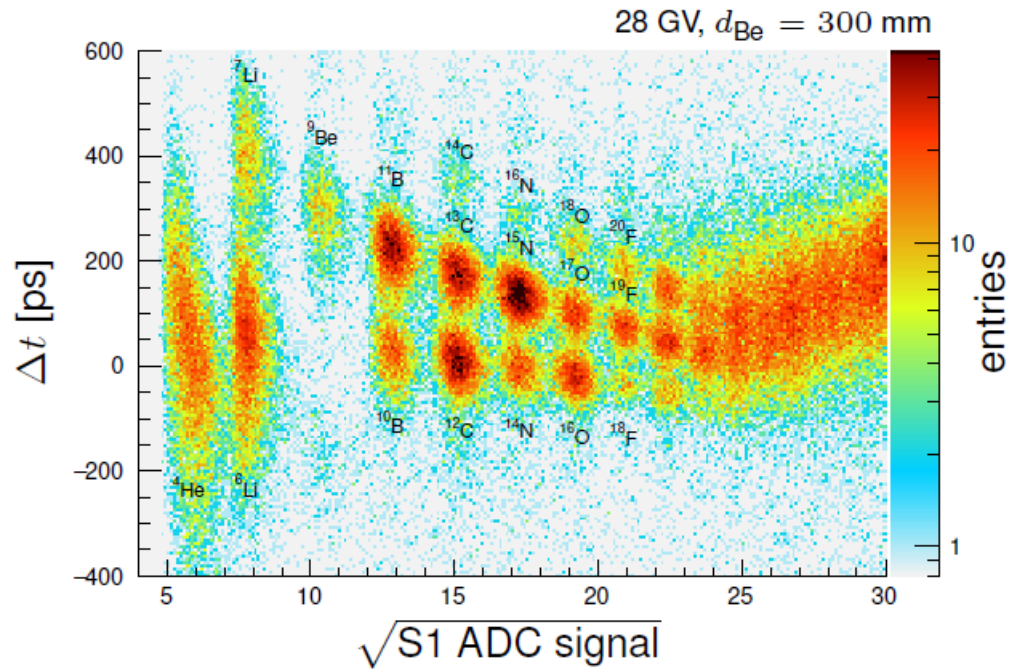


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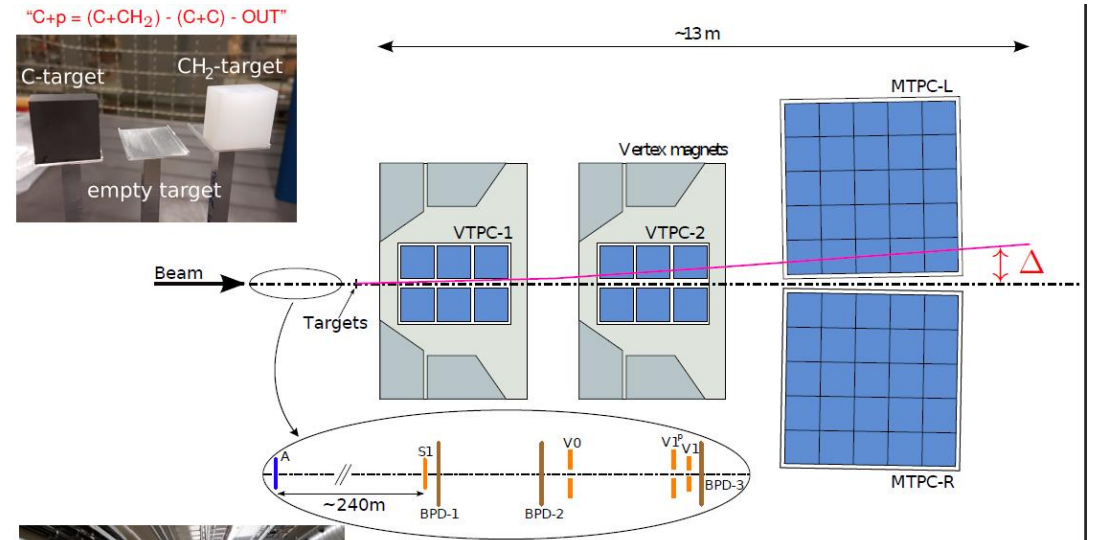


Flexibility of the detector

Nuclear Fragmentation run



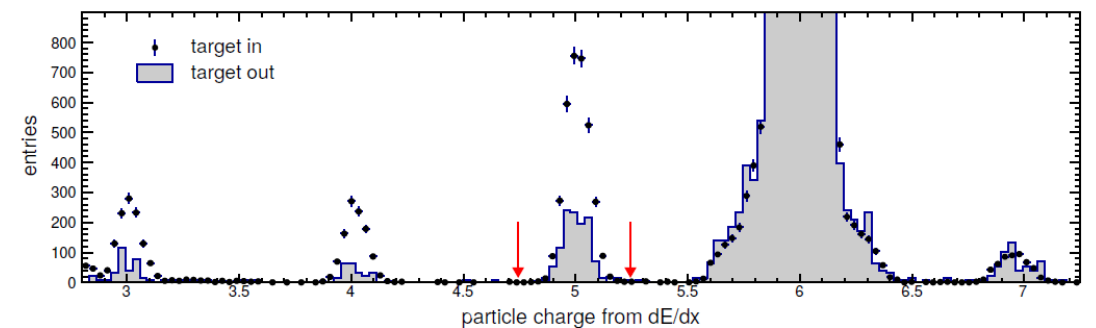
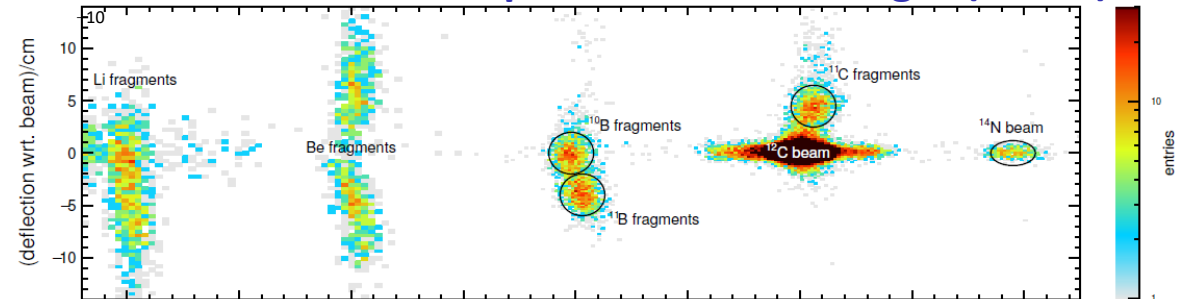
composition of secondary ion beam



ToF(A to S1) + $dE/dx(S1) \rightarrow (A, Z^2)_{\text{beam}}$
 $\Delta + dE/dx(\text{MTPC}) \rightarrow (A, Z^2)_{\text{fragment}}$

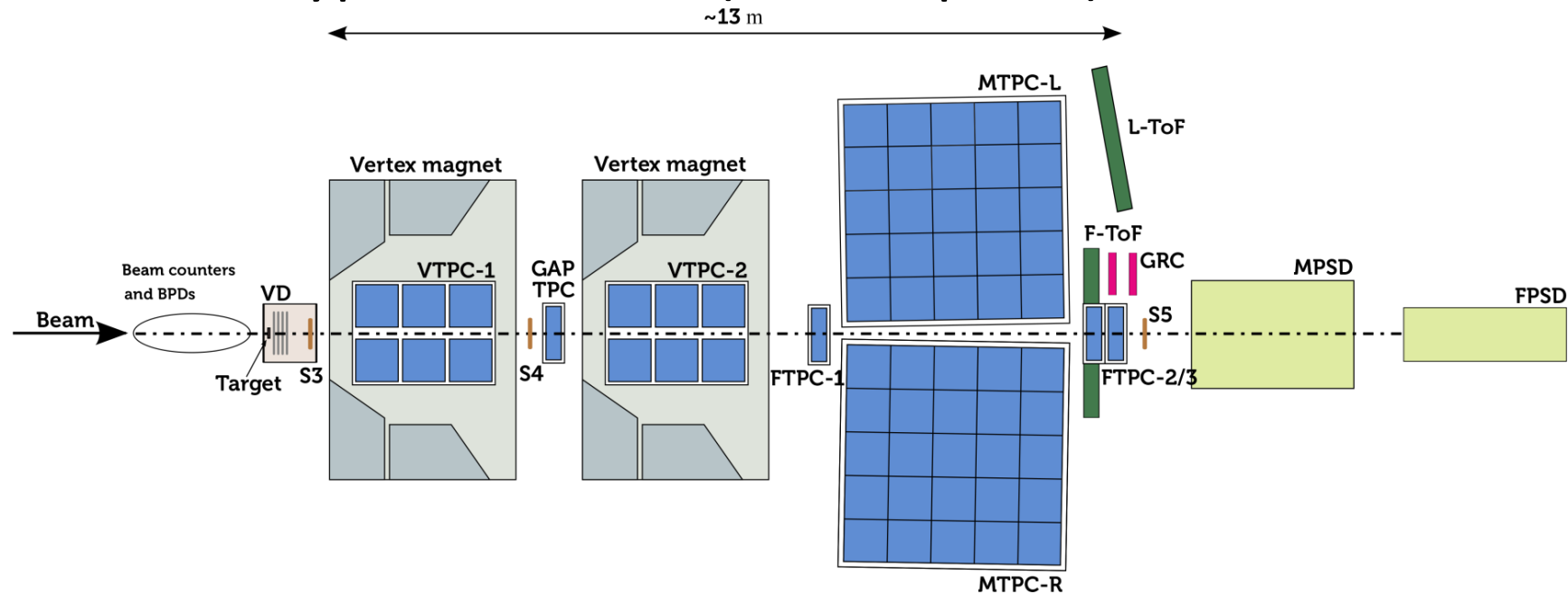
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Identification of Isotopes Produced in Target (MTPC)



Summary

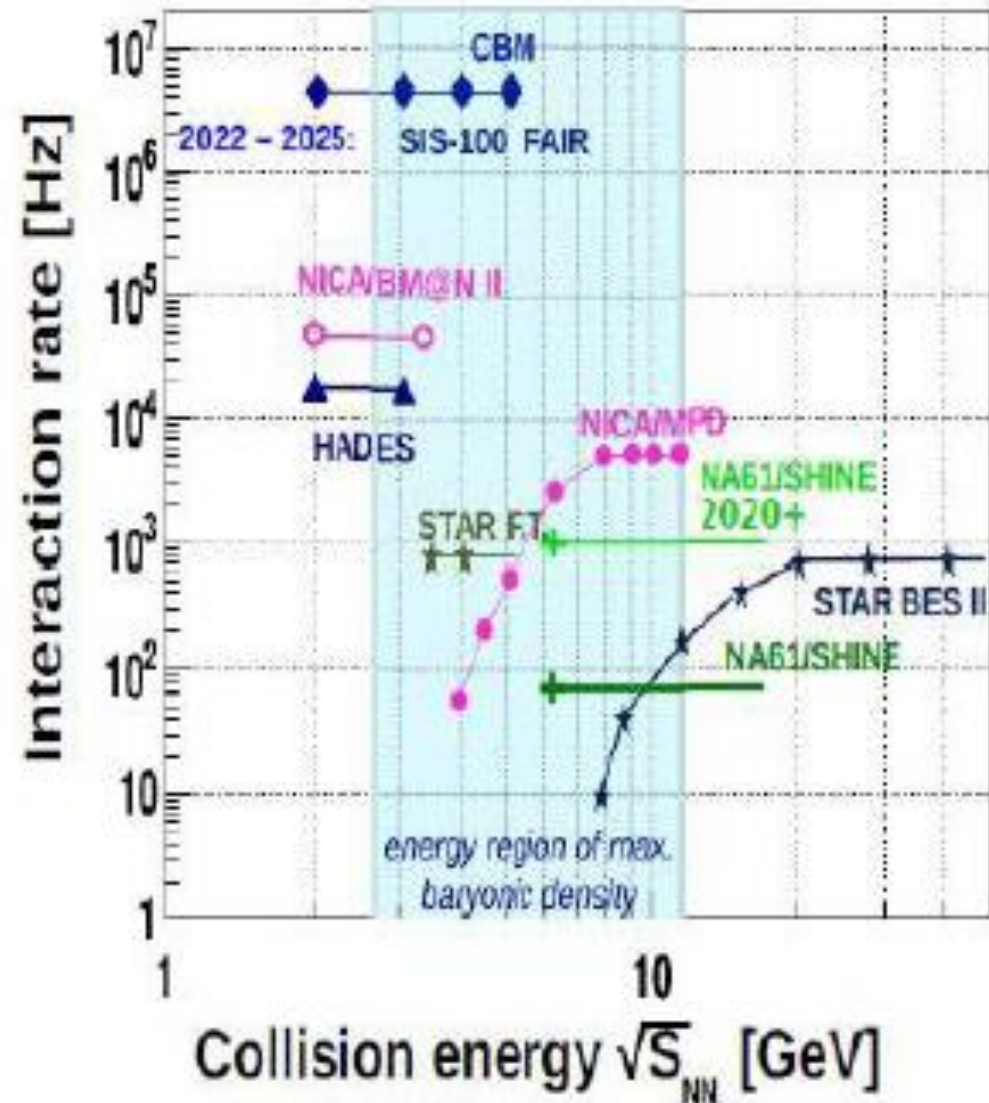
- Large acceptance hadron spectrometer
- Flexible detector set with possibilities for upgrades
- Use various types of beams (ions to pions)

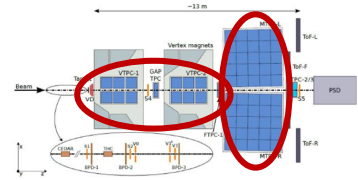


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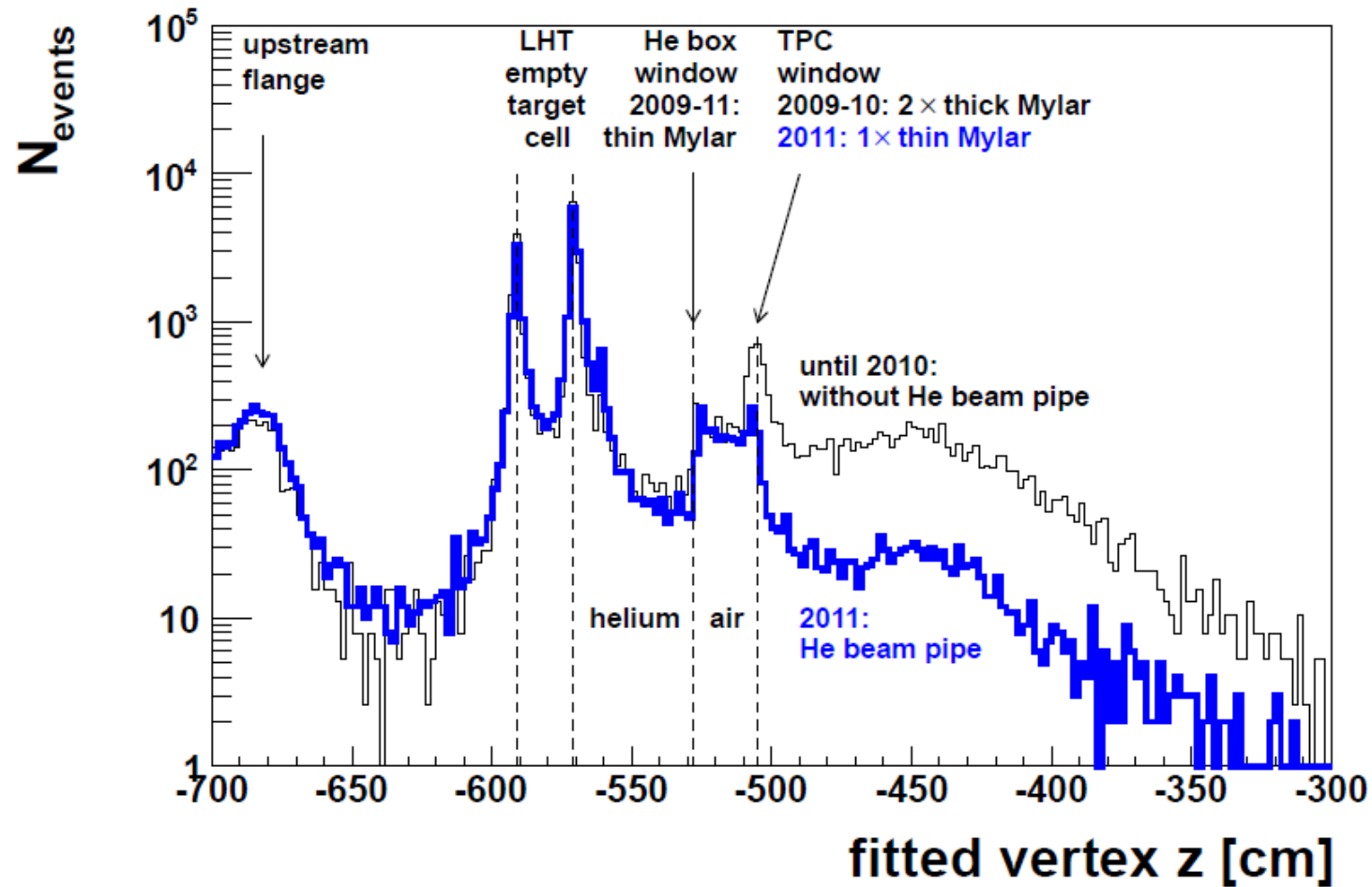
Replacement of the TPC electronics

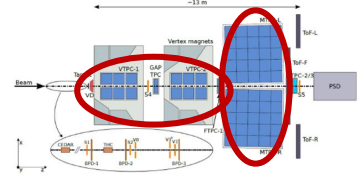
Will increase the read-out rate by a factor of about 10 (up to 1 kHz)



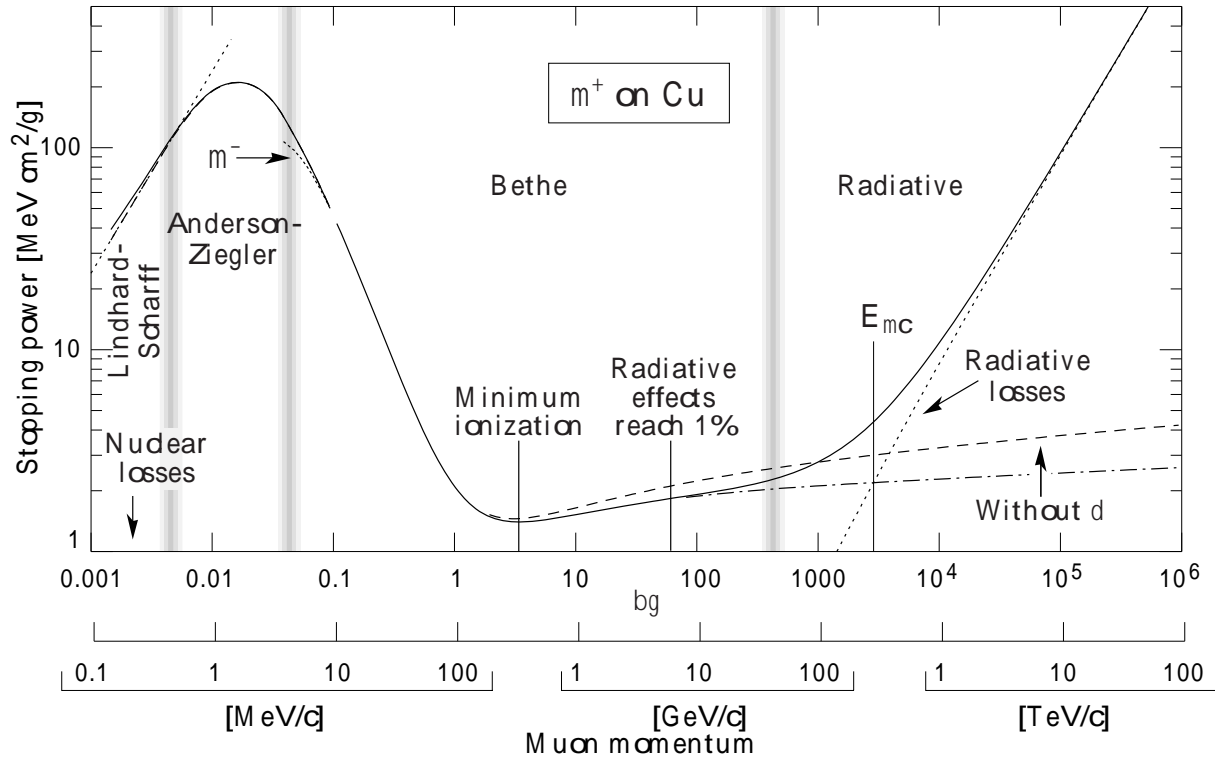


Vertex distribution along the beam axis



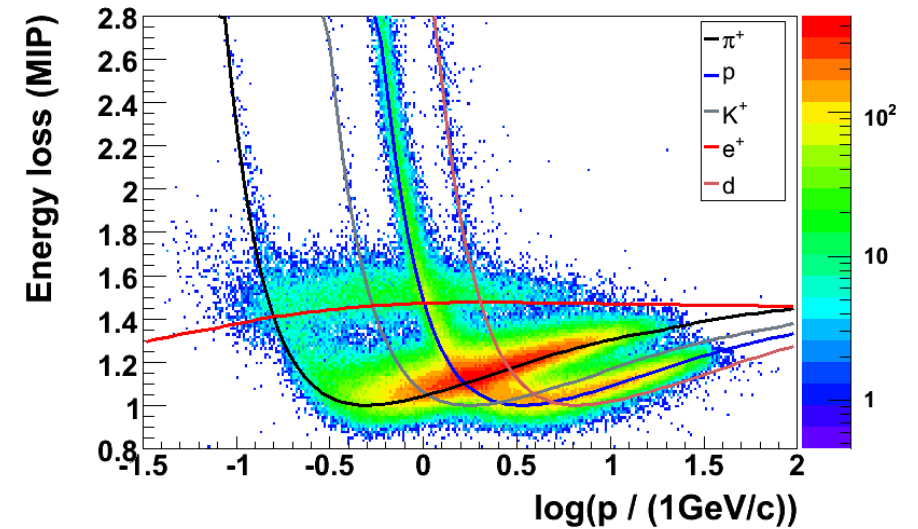


dE/dX and Momentum

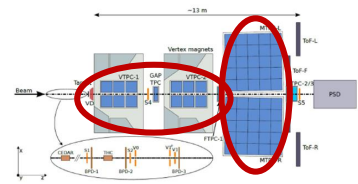


$$\frac{dE}{dX} \propto \frac{1}{\beta^2} \propto \frac{m^2}{p^2}$$

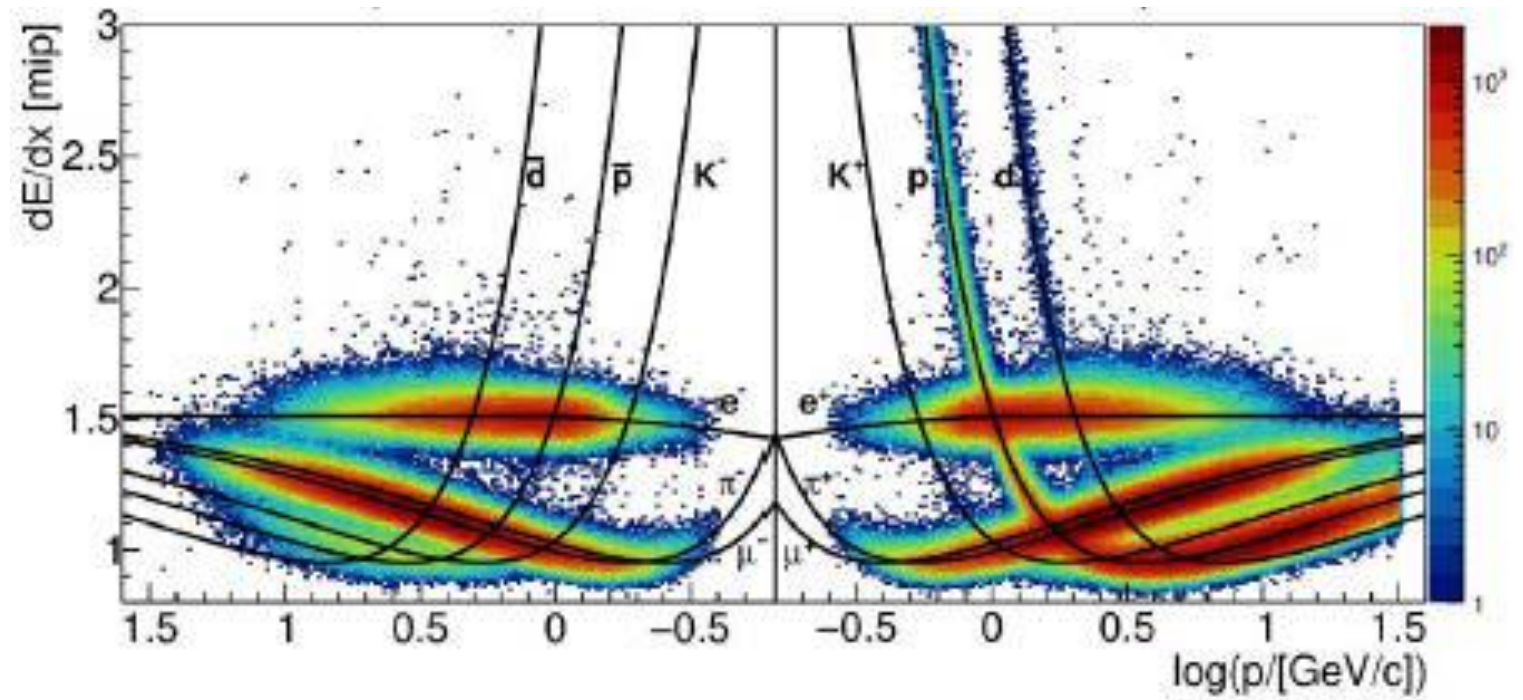
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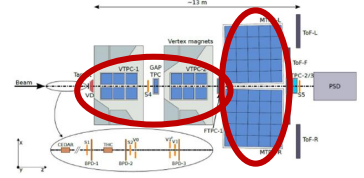
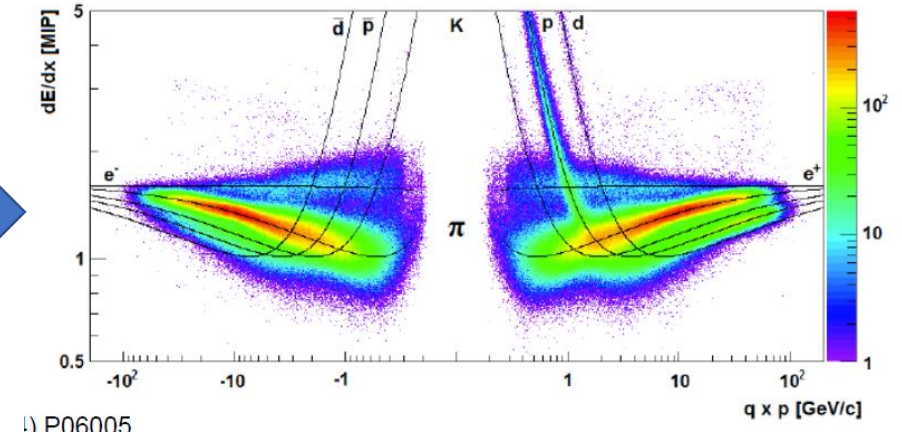
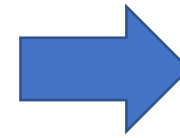
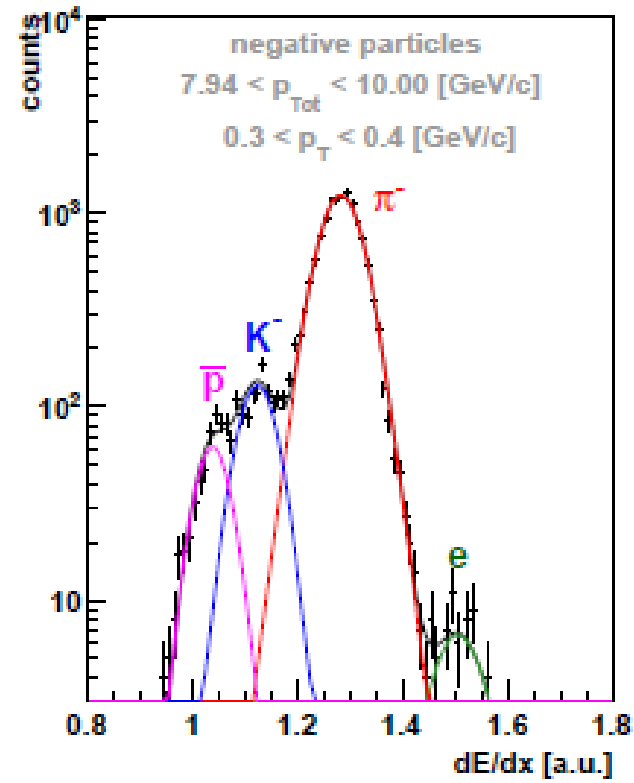
$$-\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$



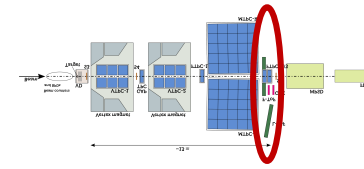
Energy lost



Energy loss (dE/dx) method



- In each p , p_T bin sum of Gauss functions is fitted to the dE/dx spectrum
- For each track the probability for being a hadron of specific type is calculated based on the fitted dE/dx distribution
- Sum of these probabilities gives the mean multiplicity of the identified hadrons



Time of Flight systems (ToF)

- particle identification based only on energy loss measurement can not be performed in the crossover region of the Bethe-Bloch curves
- Based on the scintillators detectors

$$m^2 = p^2 \left(\frac{c^2 \text{tof}^2}{l^2} - 1 \right)$$

