

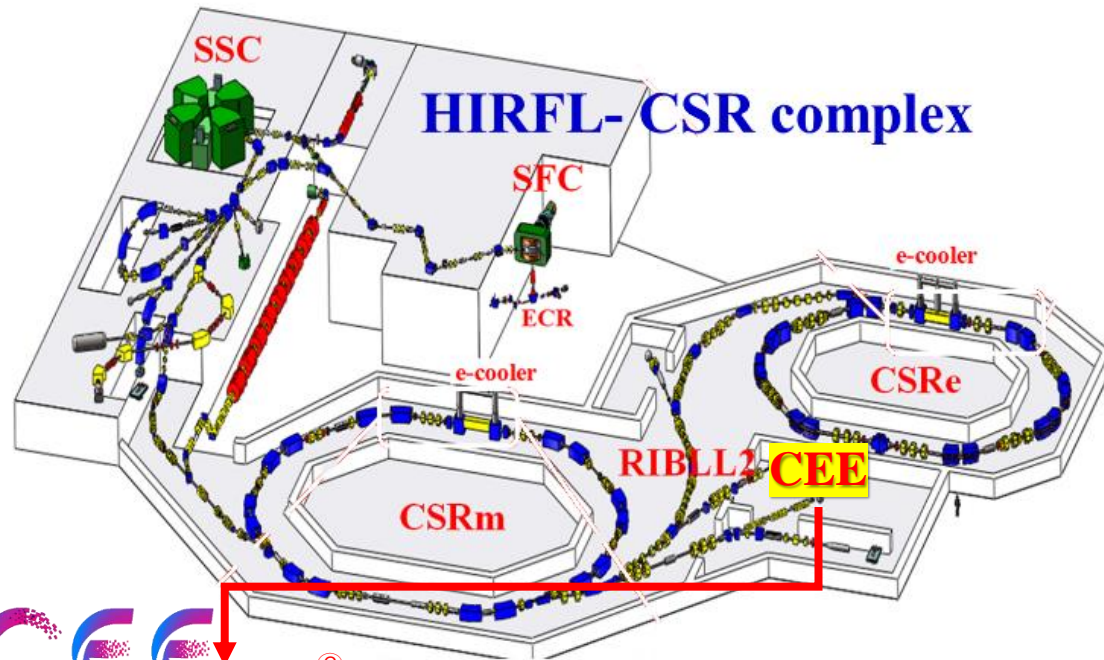
# High time resolution design of iTOF-MRPC and Simulation, Track reconstruction of TPC in CEE experiment.

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- **Motivation**
- **Design of high time resolution MRPC**
  - Prototype of iTOF MRPC**
  - Cosmic ray test system**
  - Preliminary results**
  - Signal transmission simulation**
- **Track reconstruction of TPC**
- **Summary**

# CSR-external Target Experiment



## Heavy-Ion Research Facility at Lanzhou (HIRFL-CSR)

- ✓ Provides various ion beam with incident energy in the range of 0.5~1.2GeV/u (can be as heavy as uranium)

## CSR-external Target Experiment, CEE

**Goals:** to study the bulk properties of dense matter and to understand the quantum chromo-dynamic (QCD) phase diagram

Fix target

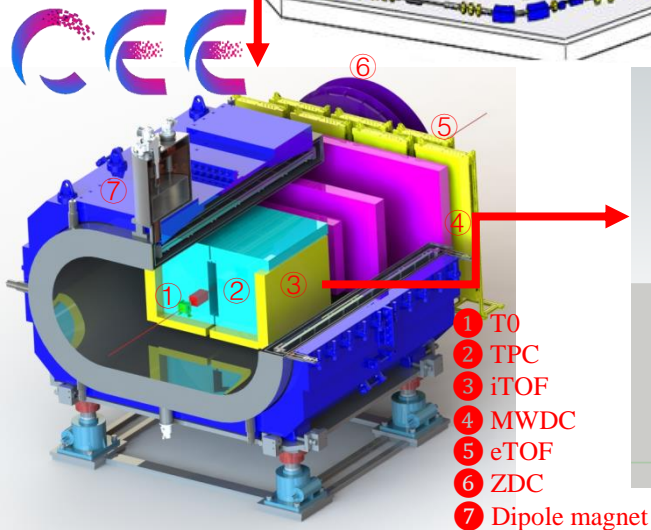
Intensity :  $10^6$  pps (particles per second)

Reactivity : 1%

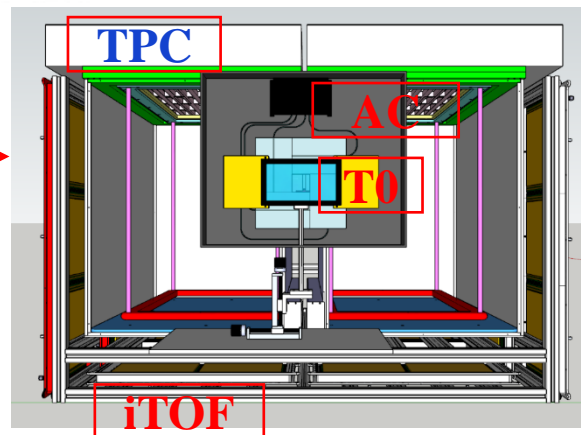
Reaction rates : 10 kHz

luminosity :  $0.3 \cdot 10^{28} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

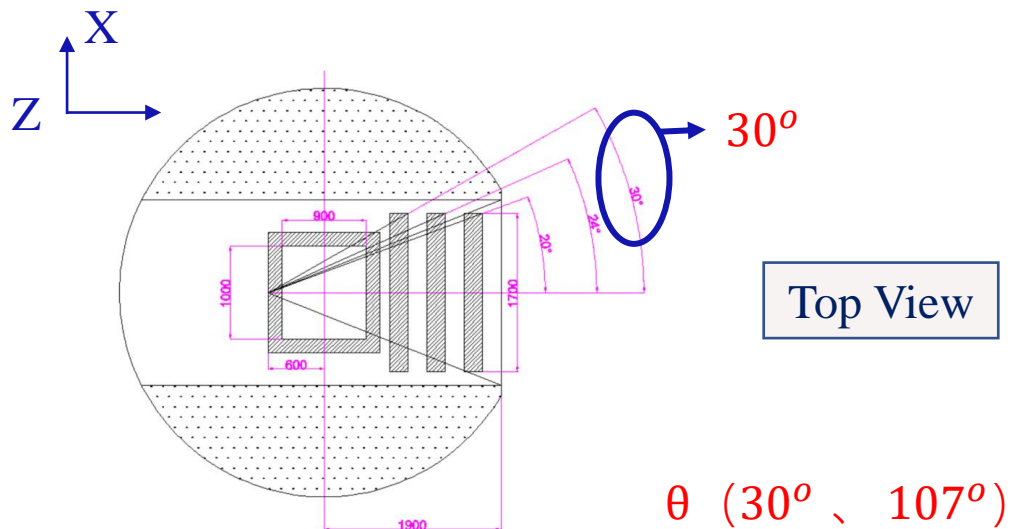
- ❖ The TPC is the most critical detector in the CEE set-up which provides charged particle track position, momentum, and charge
- ❖ The TOF system is critical for the identification of charged particles in the GeV energy region.



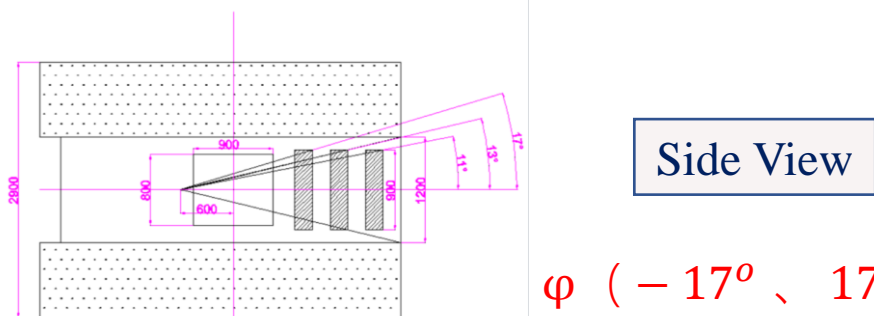
- 1 TO
- 2 TPC
- 3 iTOF
- 4 MWDC
- 5 eTOF
- 6 ZDC
- 7 Dipole magnet



# Main task of iTOF and TPC



$\theta$  ( $30^\circ$ 、 $107^\circ$ )



$\varphi$  ( $-17^\circ$ 、 $17^\circ$ )

CEE charged particle identification system

## Main task

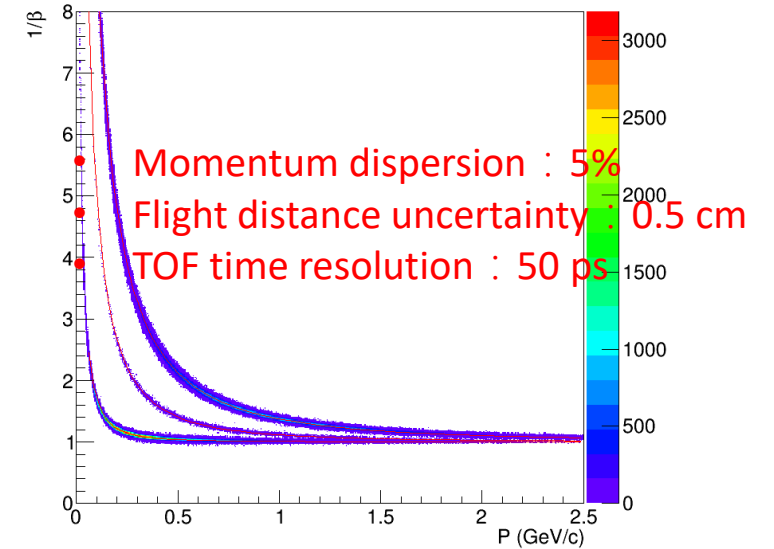
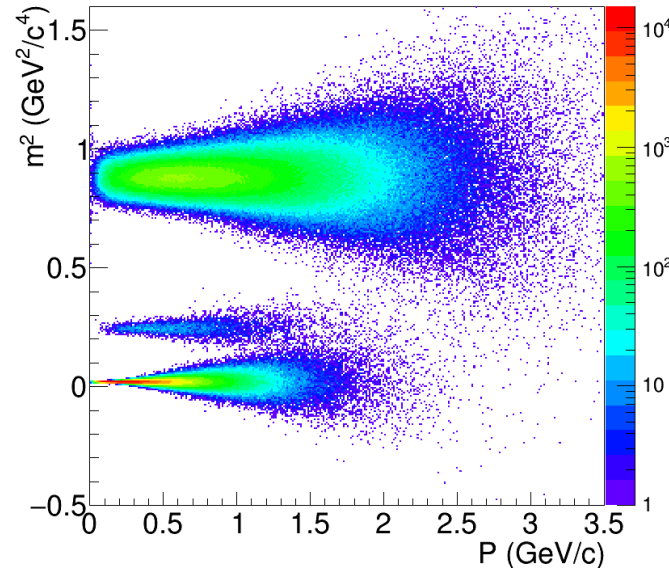
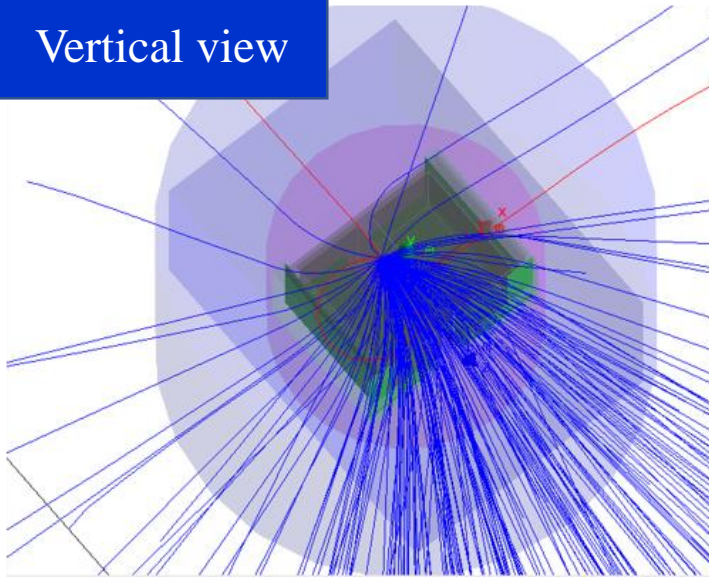
In the middle rapidity, or polar angle region ( $30^\circ - 107^\circ$ ) in the laboratory frame, the measurement and identification systems for charged particles are iTOF combined with TPC.

- ✓ Small polar angle : MWDC + eTOF
- ✓ Large polar angle : TPC + **iTOF**
- ✓ Start time : **T0**

# Requirements of iTOF



Vertical view



- Geant4
- Generator: UrQMD-3.4
- Beam energy:  $E_{\text{kin}} = 1.0$  GeV/u  
particle: Ar-Ar
- Magnetic field: 0.5 T
- Target position:  $Z = -35$  cm
- Collision parameter:  $b = 1 \sim 10$  fm (1000, 2000...)

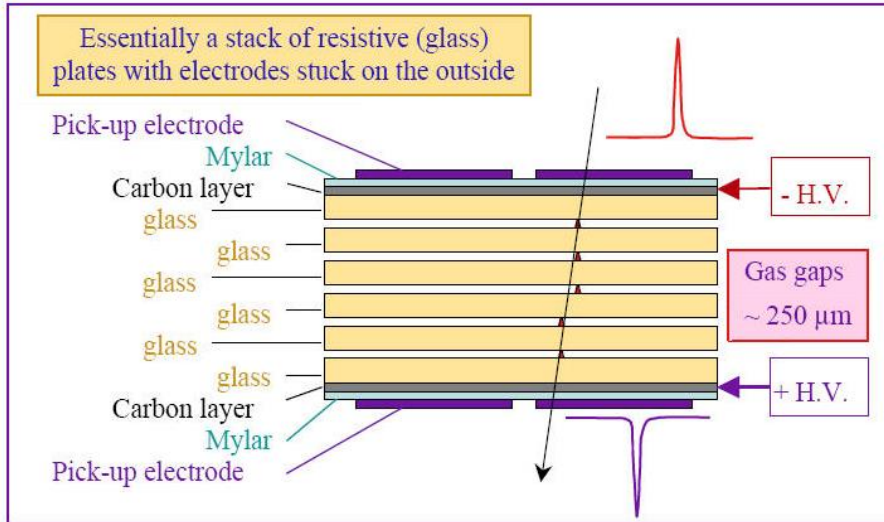
Requirements :

- Time resolution: 30-40ps
- Occupancy: 10%-15%
- Particle flux: 50 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Efficiency: >95%

# How to improve the time resolution of MRPC



## MRPC(Multi-gap Resistive Plate Chamber )



$$\sigma_{MRPC} = \sqrt{\frac{d_{gap}}{N_{gap}\lambda} \frac{U}{(\alpha - \eta)d_{gap}v}}$$

$d_{gap}$  : gap width     $N_{gap}$  : gap quantity  
 $\lambda$  : the number of clusters per unit length  
 $\alpha - \eta$  : Effective Townsend coefficient  
 $v$  : Electron drift velocity  
 $U$  : Factor of avalanche statistics

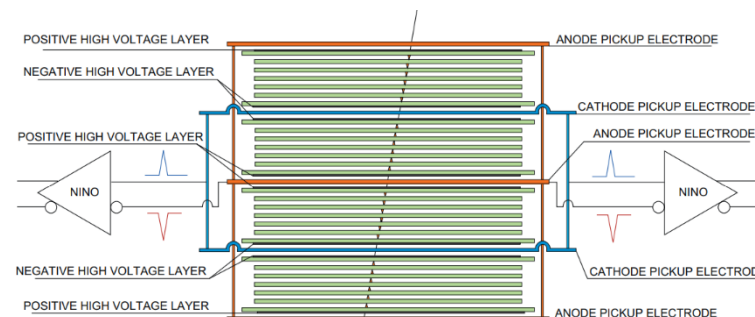
The way to get higher time resolution:

- Reduce gap thickness
- More gaps
- Improve the time resolution of front end electronics(FEE)
- Choose a good working gas

[ Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 374.CERN-PPE-95-166 (1995): 132-136]

- Good time resolution (~60 ps)
- Cheap and can be made in large areas
- Not affected by magnetic fields
- High granularity

[Journal of Instrumentation 12.03 (2017): C03029]

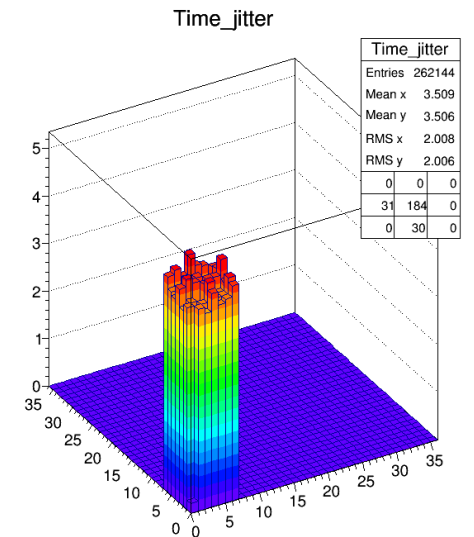
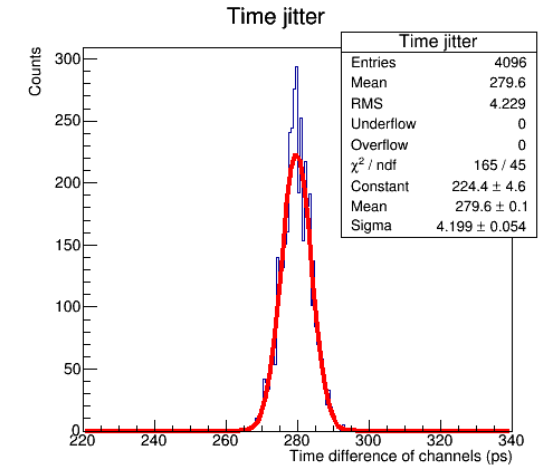
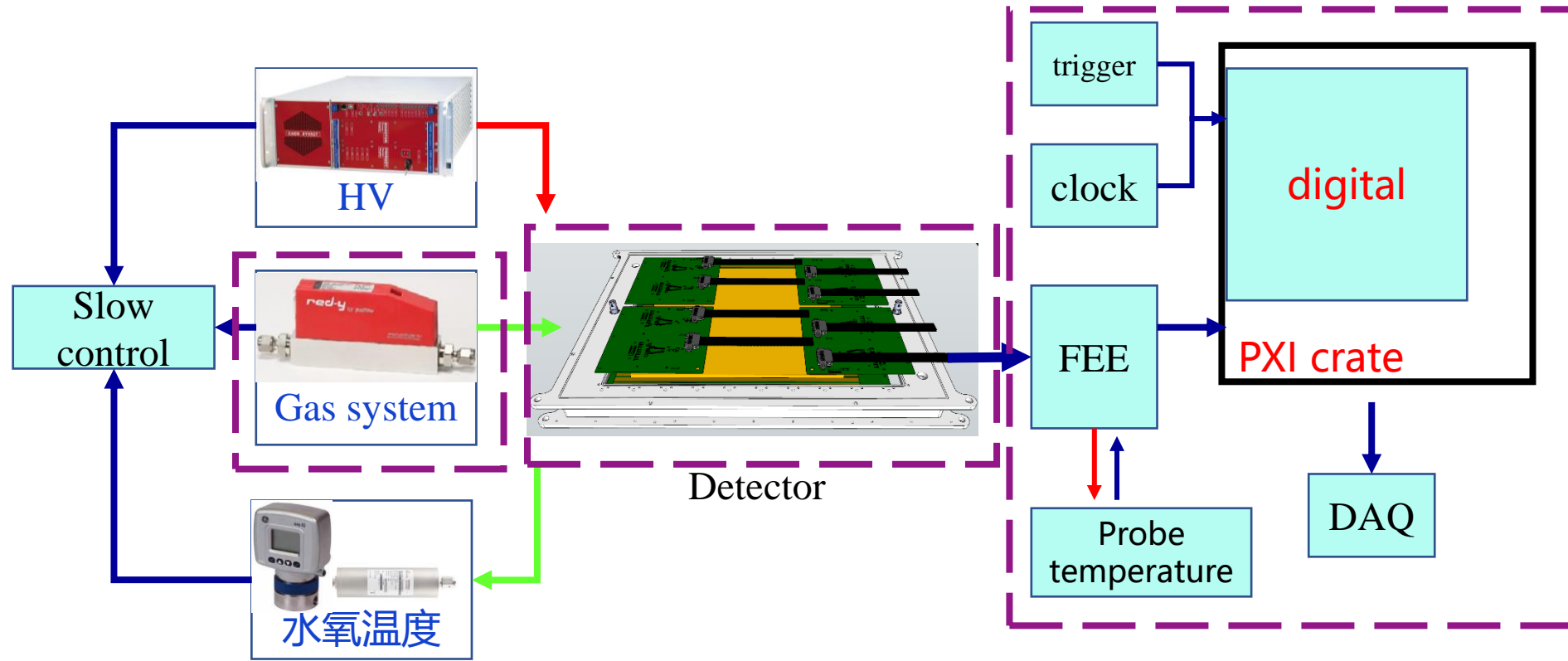


[ Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 594.1 (2008): 39-43]

High time resolution MRPC designed by CERN

- 4×6 gaps
- 0.16mm gap width
- **Waveform sampling readout**
- 20ps time resolution
- 95% efficiency

# How to improvement the Time resolution

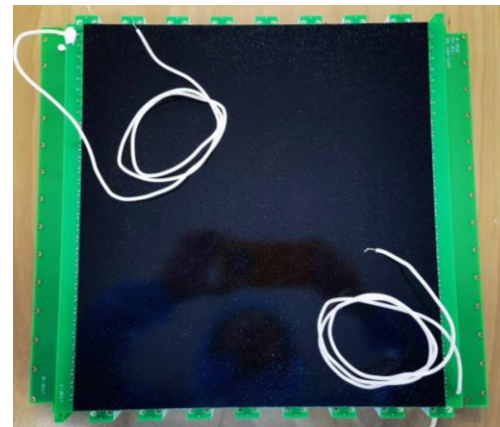
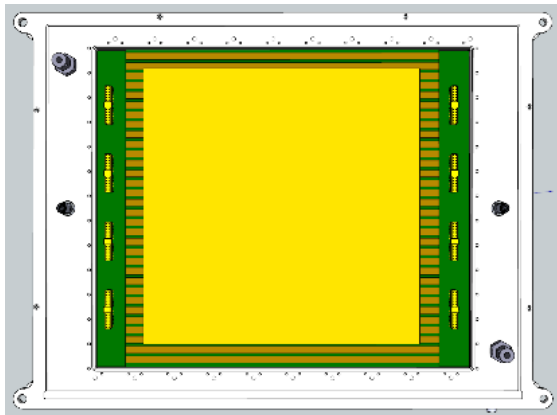
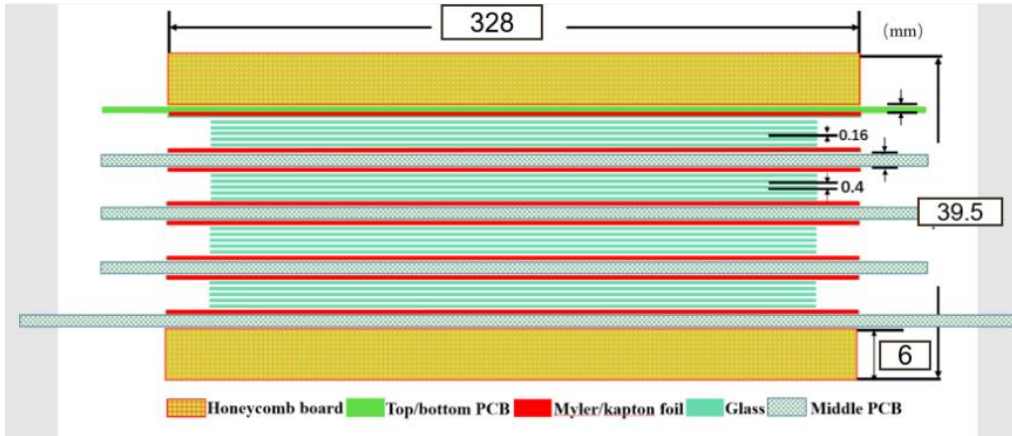


- ❑ Detector
- ❑ Gas system and gas transportation
- ❑ Electronic

- NINO FEE + FPGA TDC
- Time jitter < 10 ps
- Uniformity ~ 2.4%

[IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science 68.8 (2021): 1976-1983]

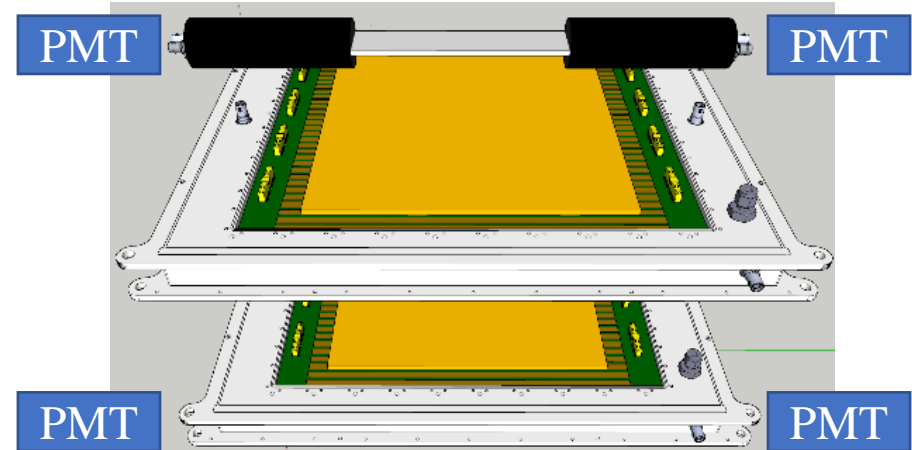
# Prototype of inner TOF



Gap	width	0.160mm
	quantity	4 × 6
Glass thickness		0.55mm
Readout strip		(7mm + 3mm) × 32 Double end readout
Impedance		30Ω



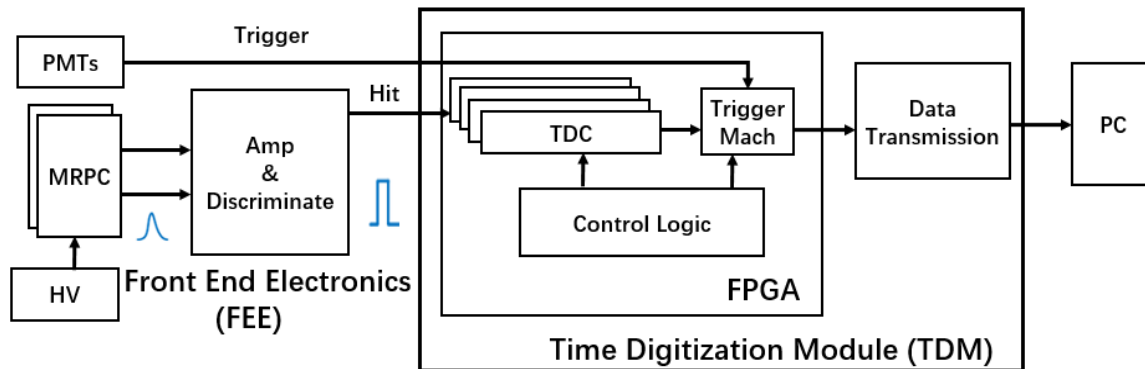
# Cosmic Ray Test platform



Working gas:  
90% Freon + 5% Sulfur hexafluoride + 5%  
isobutene

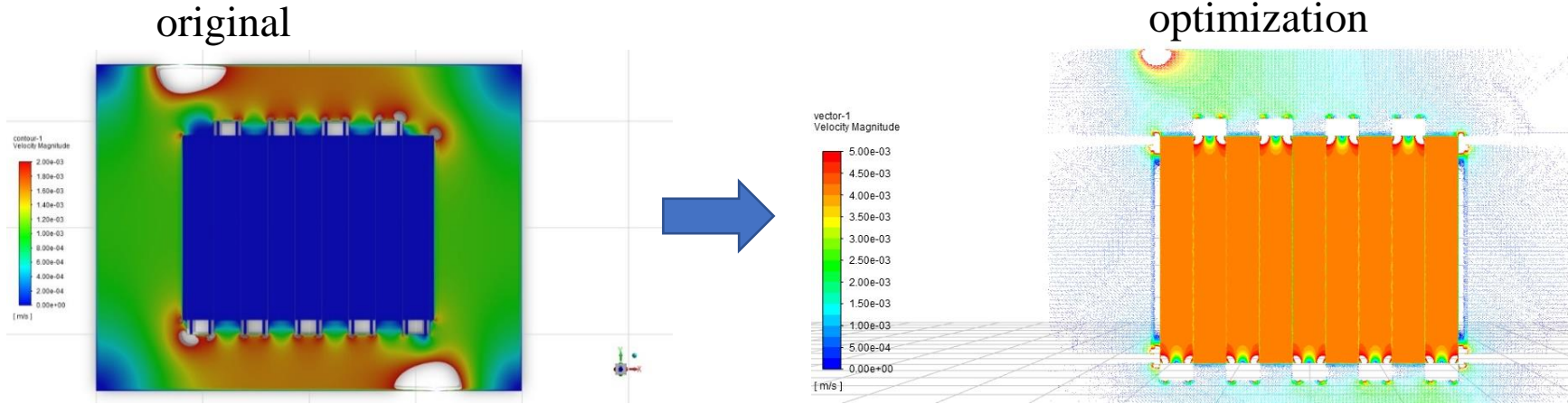
Trigger:  
Plastic scintillator + PMT

Electronics:  
FEE + TDM, with time resolution of 9 ps

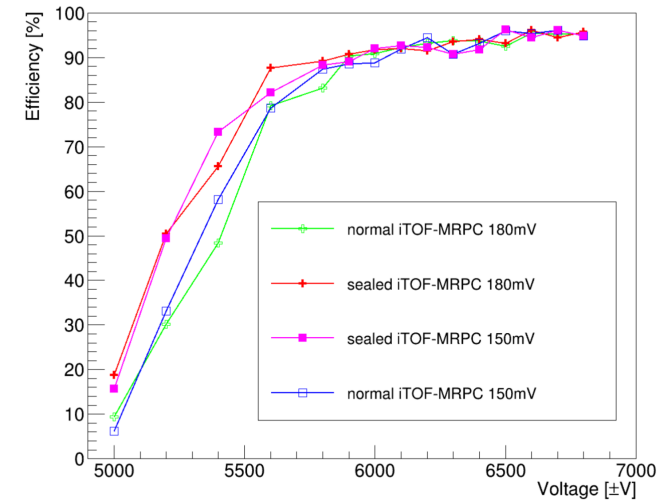


# Gas transportation

Hydromechanics simulation: Fluent  
 MRPC structure and the blocker: design and optimize  
 Gas exchange mode: from passive spread to active airflow



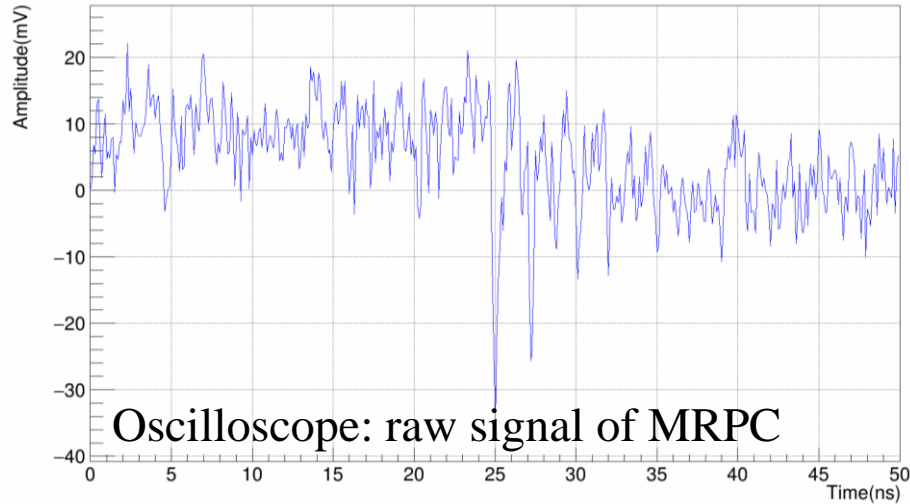
Color represents airflow speed



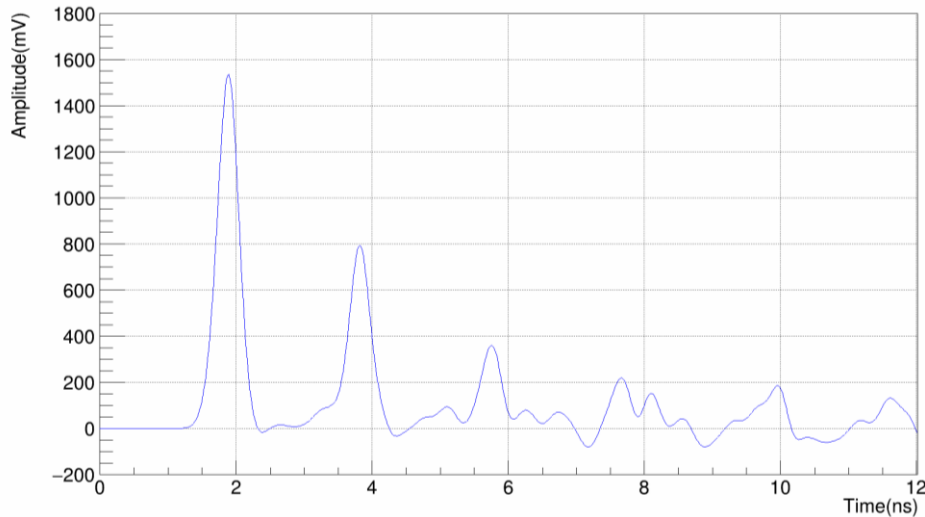
- Greatly reduce the use of working gases, environmentally friendly
- Slowing aging effect
- Improve the time resolution

Liu, Z., Carnesecchi, F., Williams, M. C. S., Zichichi, A., & Zuyewski, R. (2019). Timing performance study of Multigap Resistive Plate Chamber with different gap size. *Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A: Accelerators, Spectrometers, Detectors and Associated Equipment*, 927, 396-400.

# MRPC raw signal

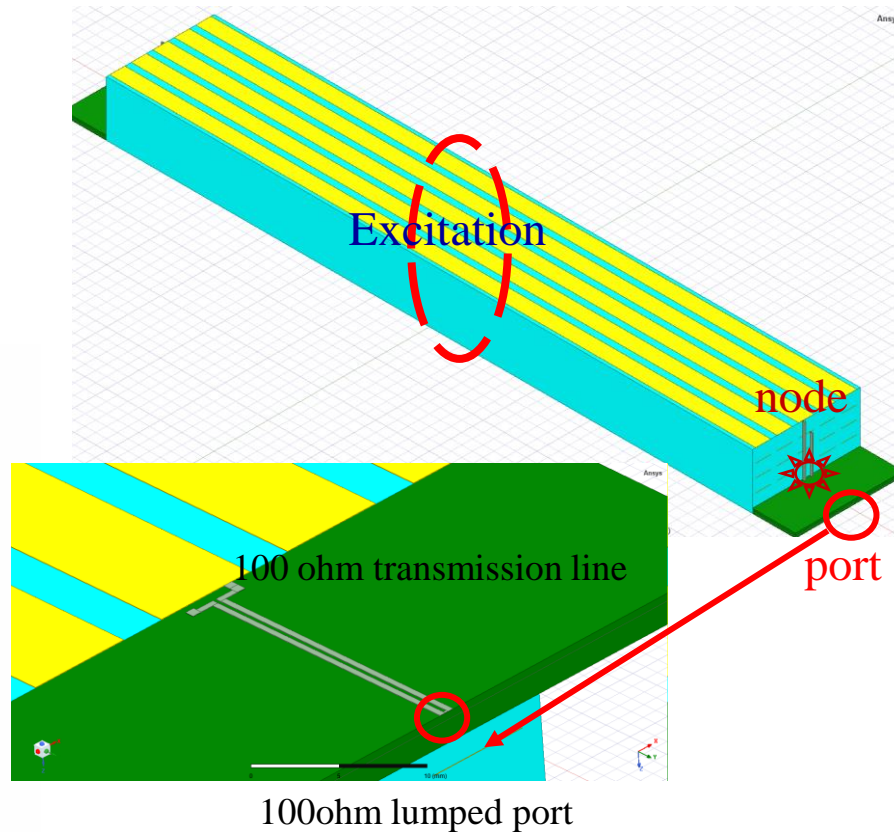


Reflection is significant



Signal of  $4 \times 6$  gaps iTOF with gap thickness of 0.16mm at 125 kV/cm

Signal rise time: 275ps



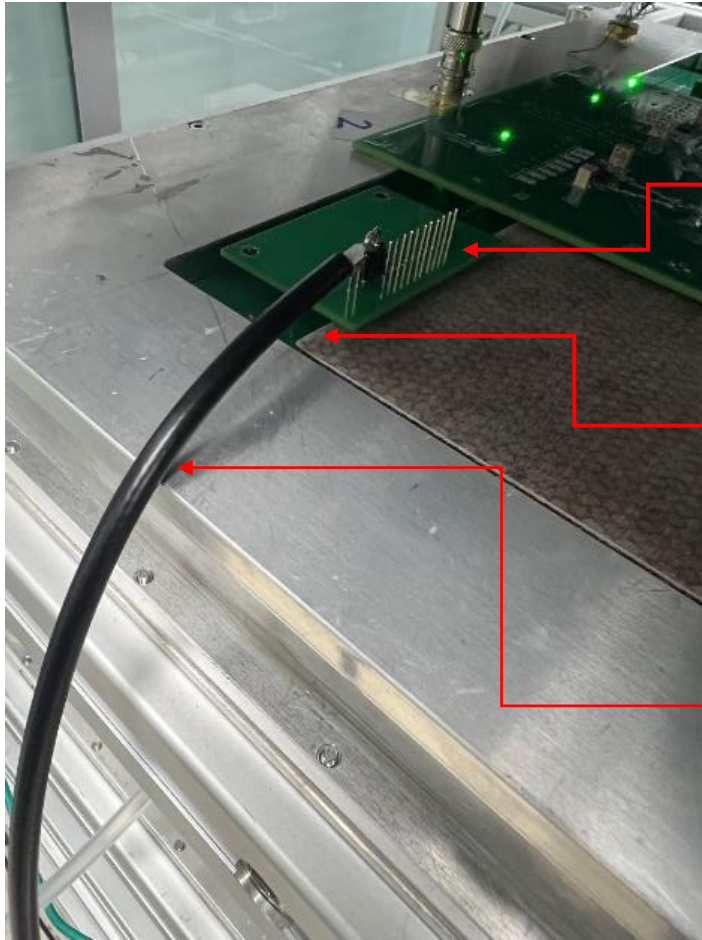
HFSS

Excitation: Gaussian signal  
1V amplitude  
230ps rise time

- The reflection is significant

- Rise time from 230ps to 296ps

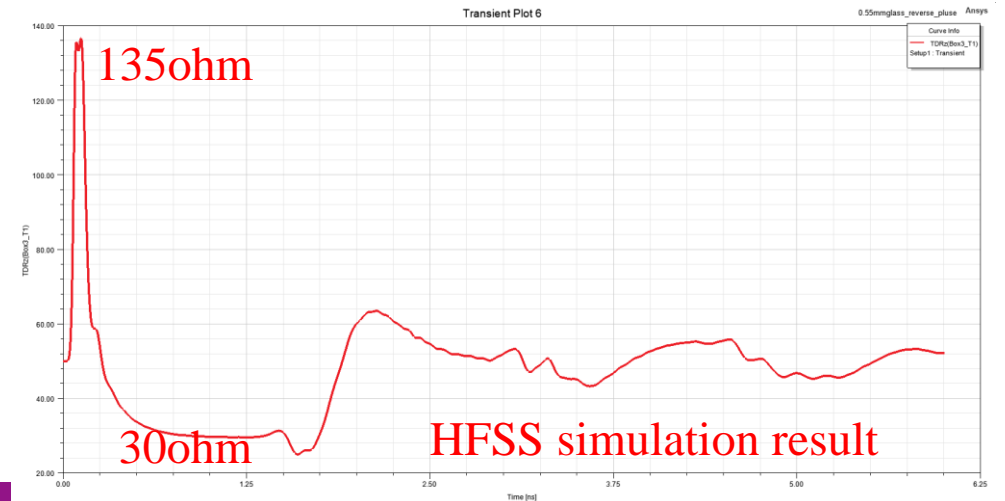
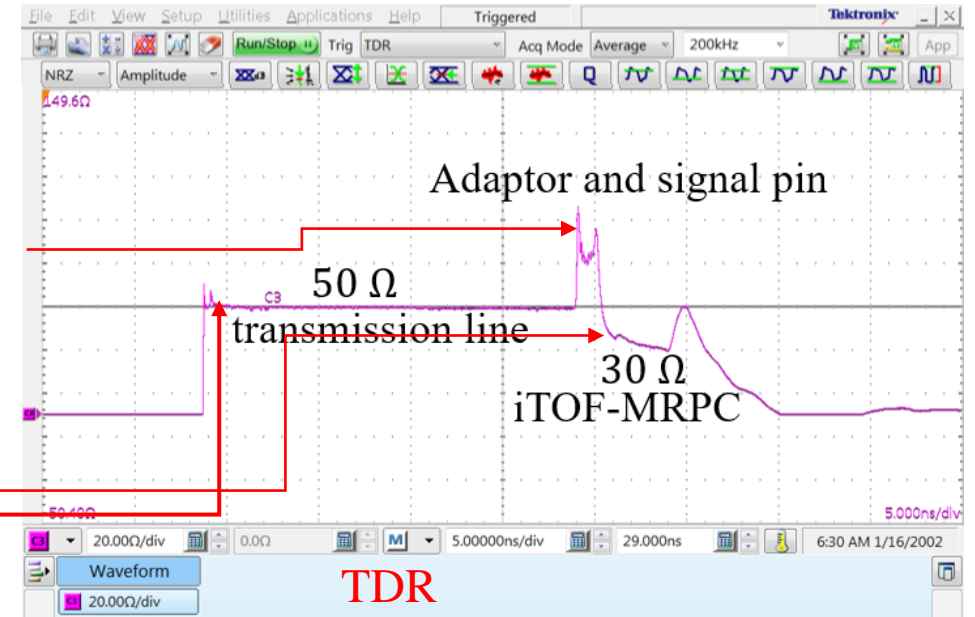
# iTOF-MRPC impedance



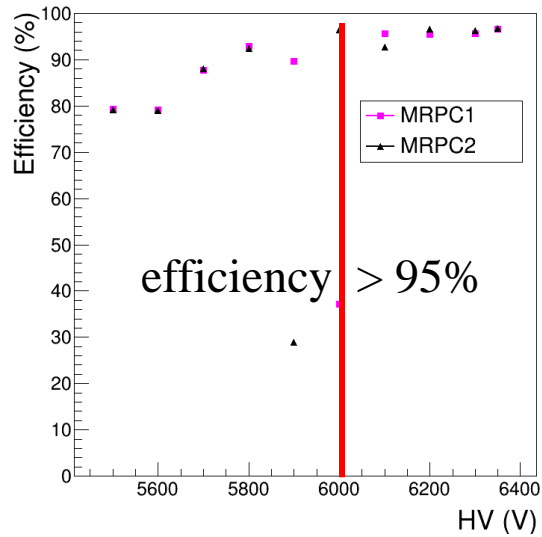
Adaptor and signal pin

Readout strip

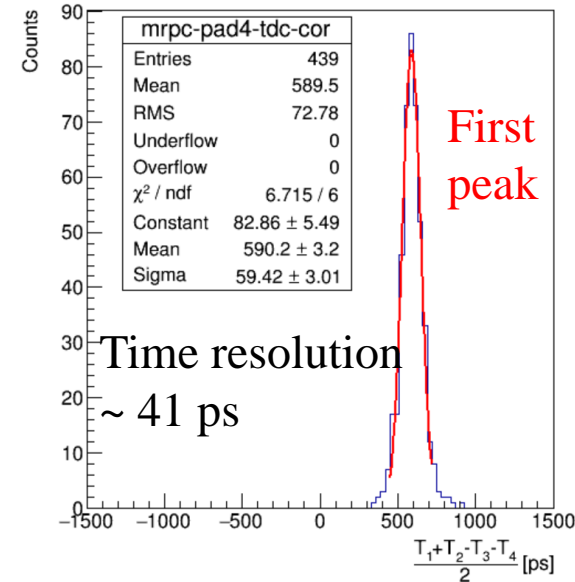
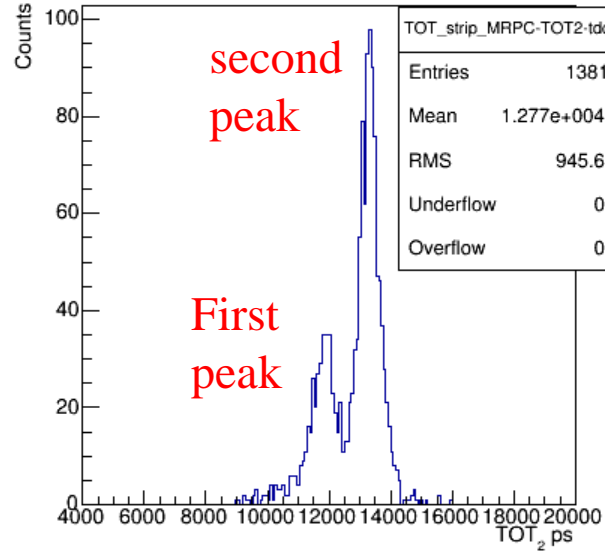
transmission line



# Cosmic ray test results

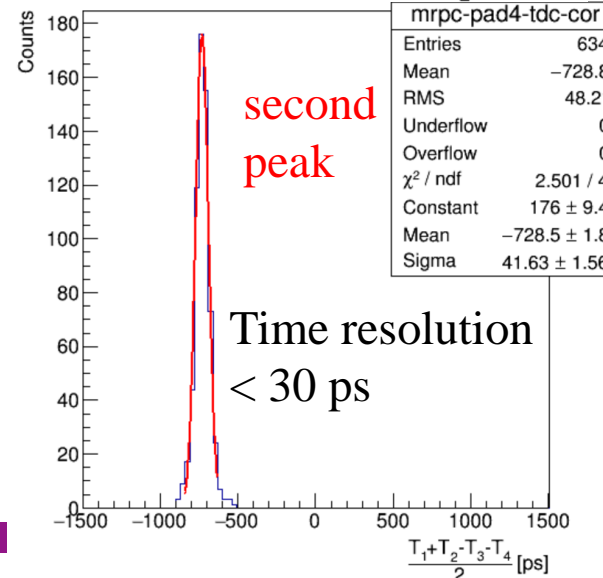
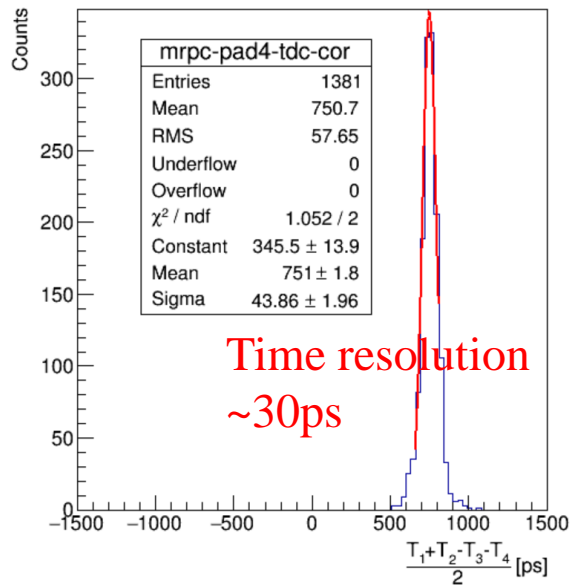


$$\sigma_t = \text{Sigma} / \sqrt{2}$$




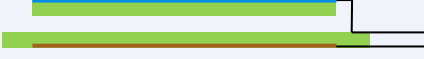
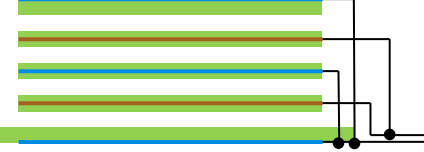

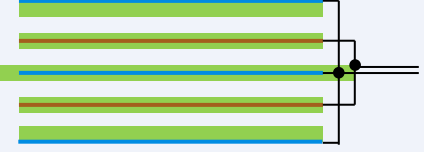


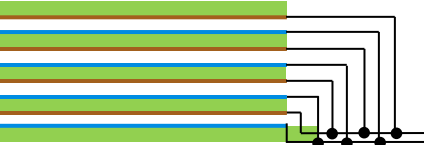
Working electric field:  
129 kV/cm

Threshold:  
180 mV



# More MRPC geometry



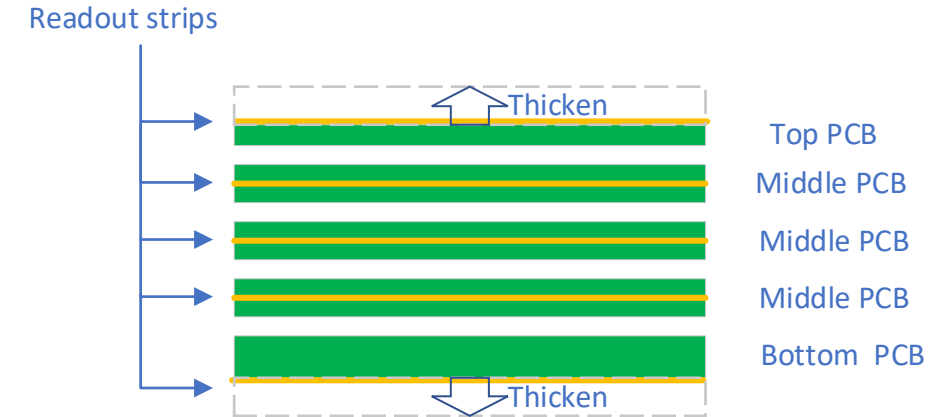
Geometry	First peak amplitude	Second peak amplitude	Rise time	Geometry	First peak amplitude	Second peak amplitude	Rise time
4 stacks, 2 pin, bottom PCB readout 	1.54V	52% of first peak	296ps	1 stacks, 1 pin, bottom PCB readout 	0.91V	11%	261ps
4 stacks, 4 pin, bottom PCB readout 	1.59V	55%	296ps	2 stacks, 2 pin, bottom PCB readout 	1.23V	20%	308ps
4 stacks, 2 pin, middle PCB readout 	1.72V	41%	260ps	2 stacks, 1 pin, middle PCB readout 	1.22V	24%	288ps
4 stacks, 2 pin, middle PCB readout 	1.72V	41%	261ps	4 stacks, 8 pin, bottom PCB readout 	0.59V	90%	277ps

- The more nodes, the more serious the reflection
- When the signal pick up from the middle readout PCB, Leading edge of the output signal is steeper than that from bottom PCB readout

# Signal velocity and Modal dispersion



PCB	Top PCB	Middle PCB	Bottom PCB
Signal velocity	$1.855 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$	$1.587 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$	$1.827 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$



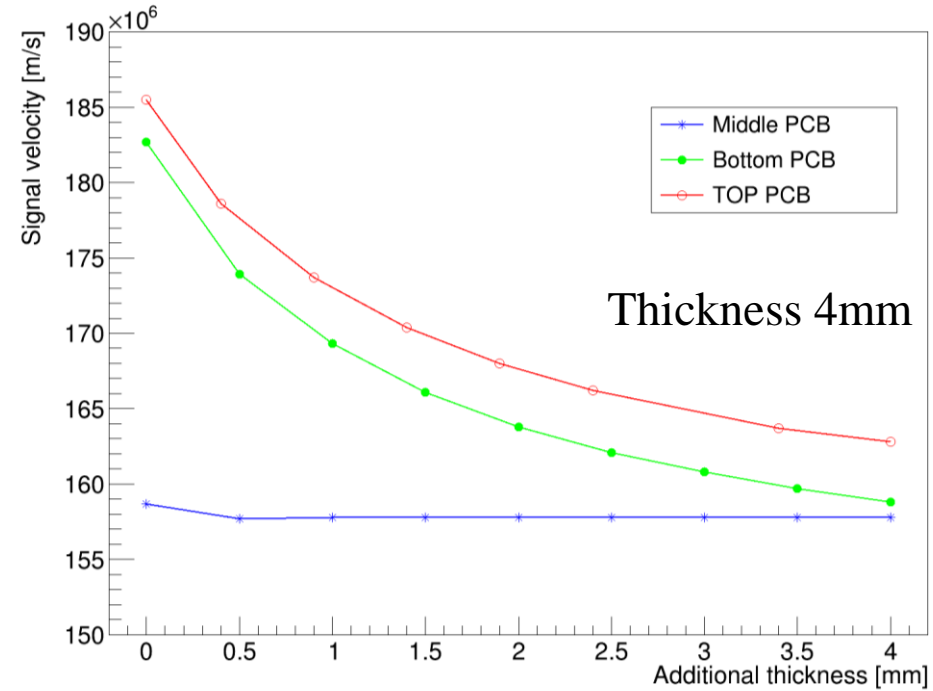
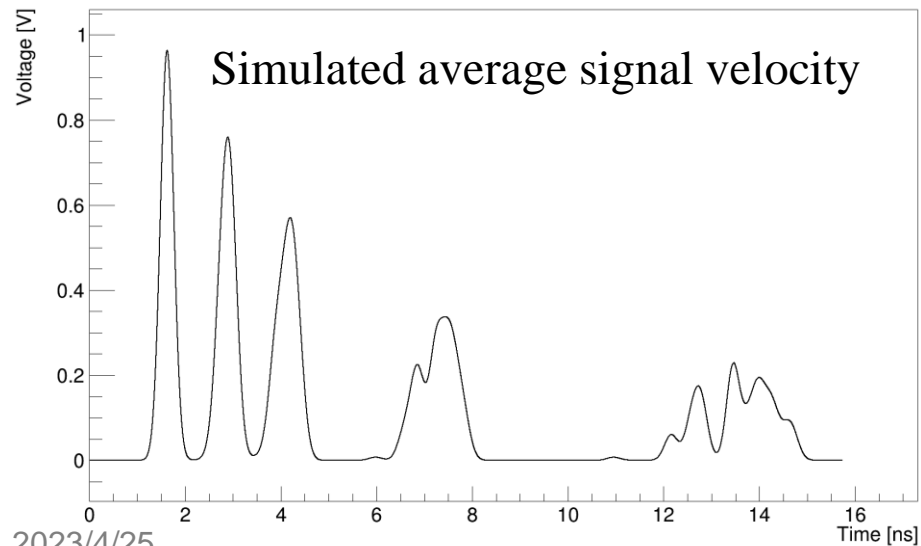
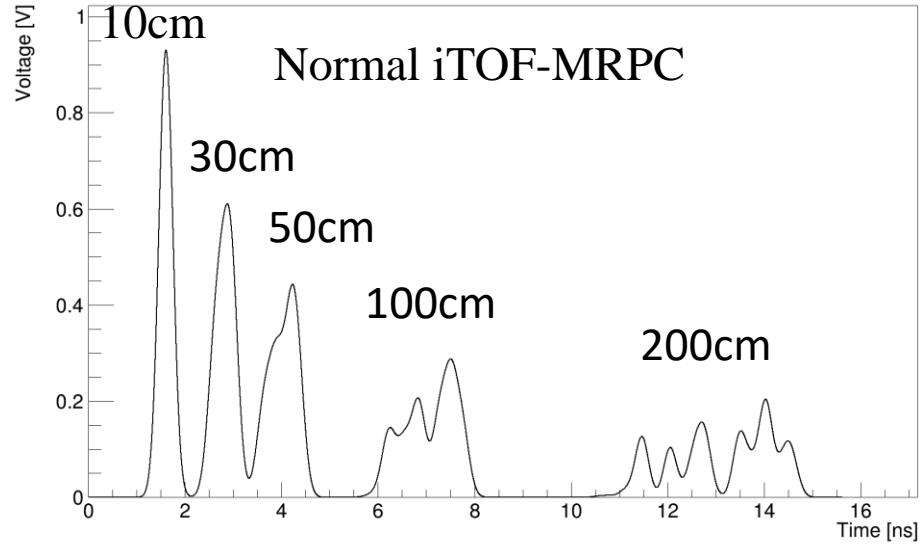
When extracting from the middle PCB, the signal of Bottom PCB has been delayed for about 80ps, which balance the arriving time of signals of each PCB.

The average signal velocity is the weighted average of the signal velocity of each mode calculated using the multi-conductor transmission line theory. Each mode has a different signal velocity, known as modal dispersion

# Signal velocity and Modal dispersion



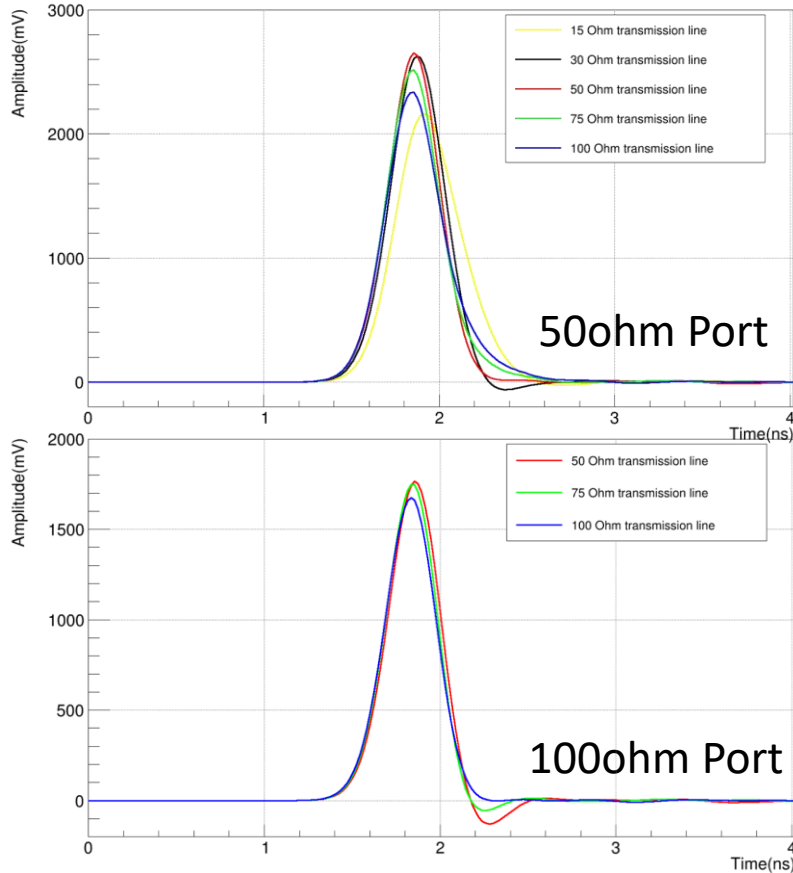
Length of readout strip:





# Signal integrity

To study the signal integrity, we completely absorb the signal from the other side so that only the first peak is left behind, eliminating the interference of the reflected peak.

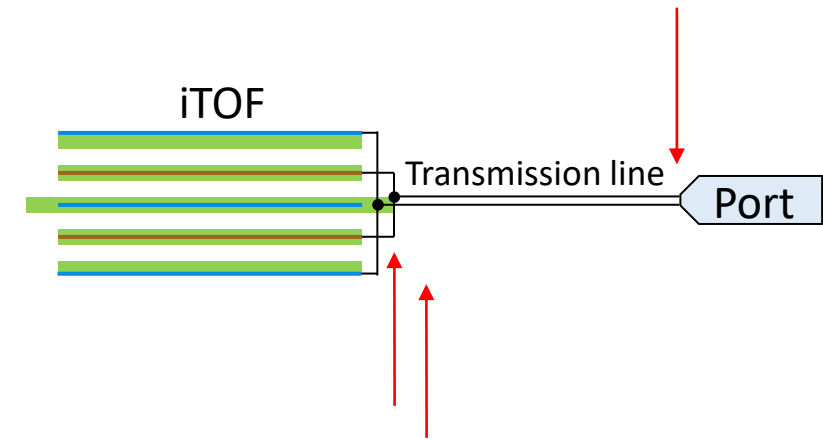


Port	Transmission line	leading	trailing
50ohm	15ohm	276ps	372ps
50ohm	30ohm	267ps	247ps
50ohm	50ohm	264ps	246ps
50ohm	75ohm	261ps	307ps
50ohm	100ohm	263ps	370ps
100ohm	50ohm	264ps	206ps
100ohm	75ohm	259ps	207ps
100ohm	100ohm	259ps	231ps

Rise time does not change much with the transmission line impedance.

$Z_{transmission\ line} > Z_{port} \rightarrow$  back edge slow down

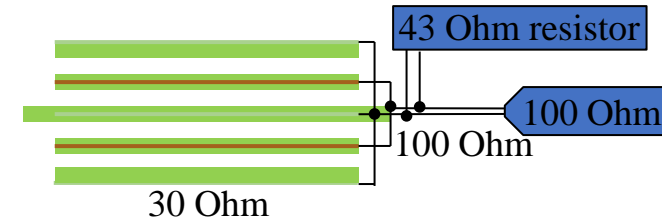
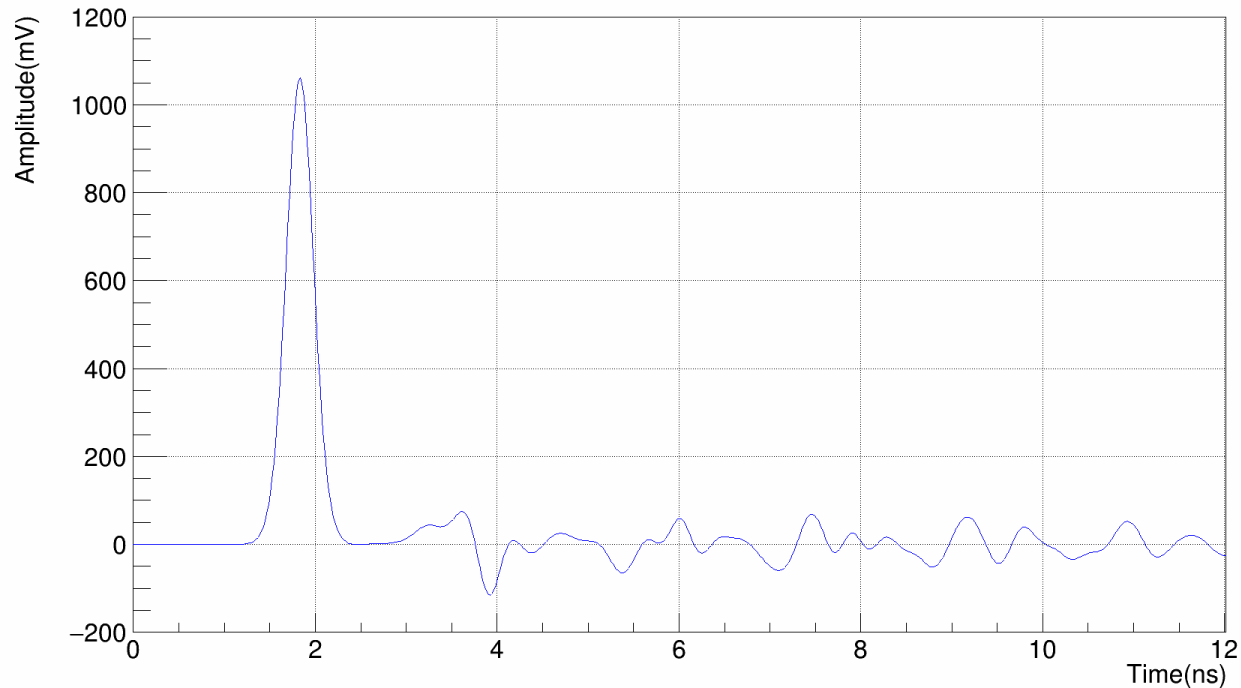
$Z_{transmission\ line} < Z_{port} \rightarrow$  overshoot occur



$Z_{transmission\ line} \neq Z_{iTOF} \rightarrow$  amplitude of the first peak reduced

# Impedance matching

If the output port is connected in parallel with a 43 ohm resistor, it can be completely impedance matched



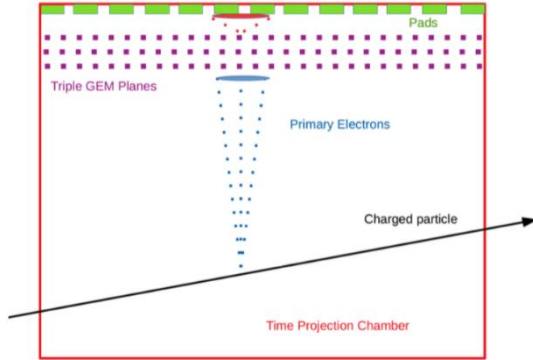
First peak	1.72 V → 1.07 V
Reflection	41% → 7%
Rise time	261 ps → 266 ps
Fall time	236 ps → 262 ps

Reflection is significantly reduced.

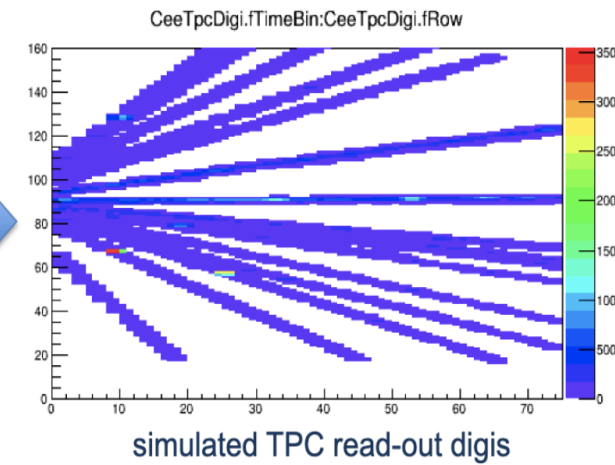
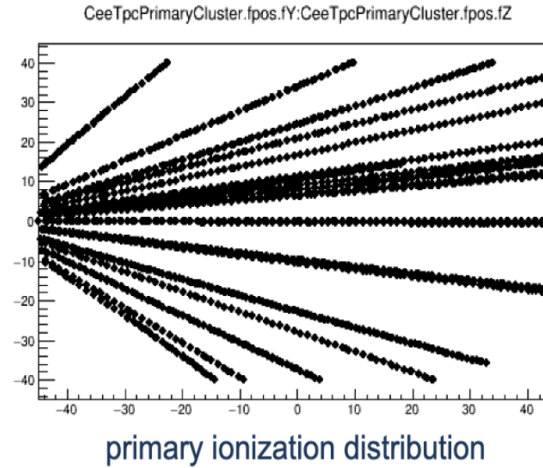
# TPC Simulation and cluster reconstruction



## ➤ Simulation and digitization:

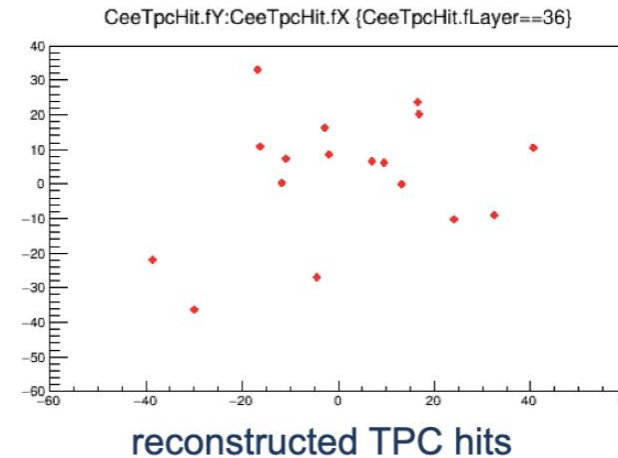
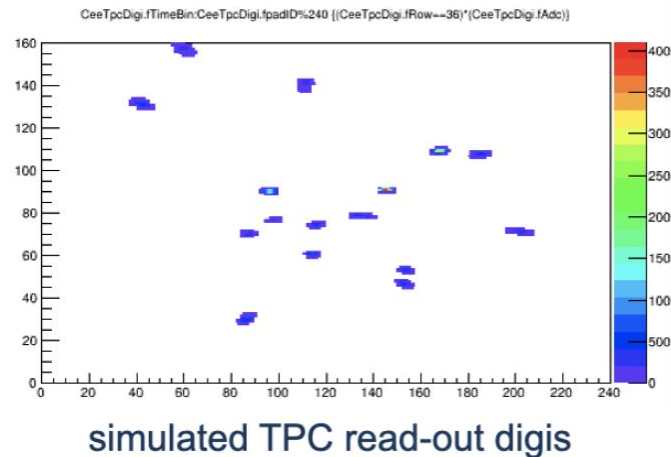


- position of ionization electrons



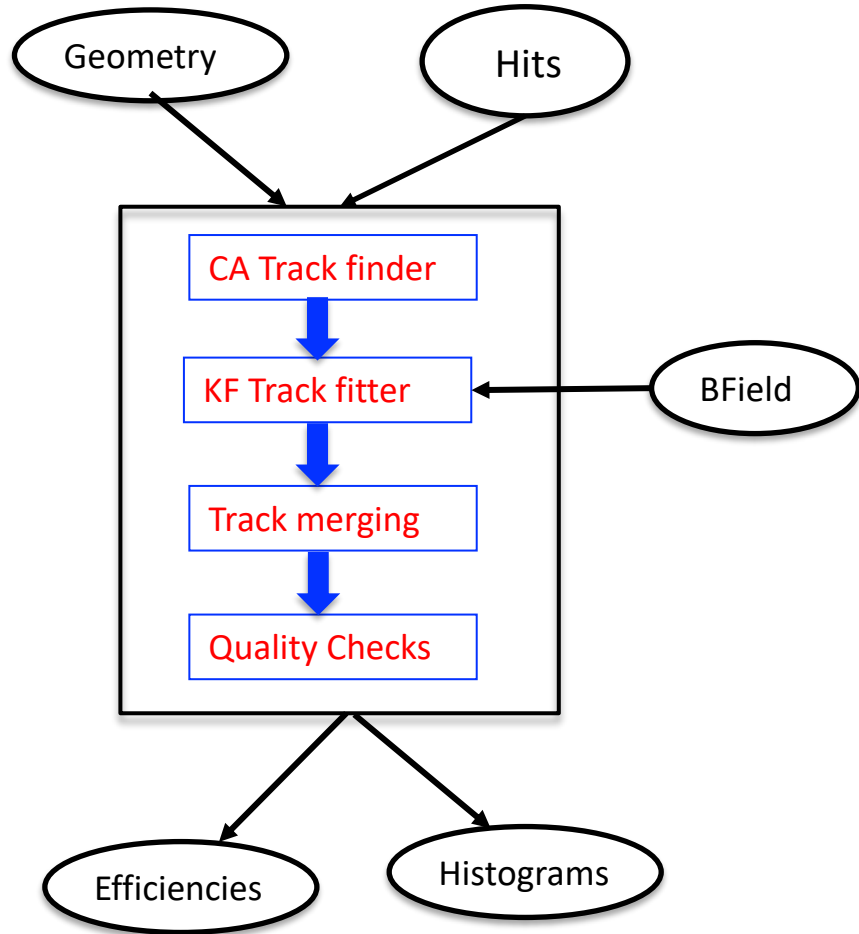
- For each pad, convolute the time for electrons arrive with electronics (SAMPA chip) response function

## ➤ Cluster reconstruction:

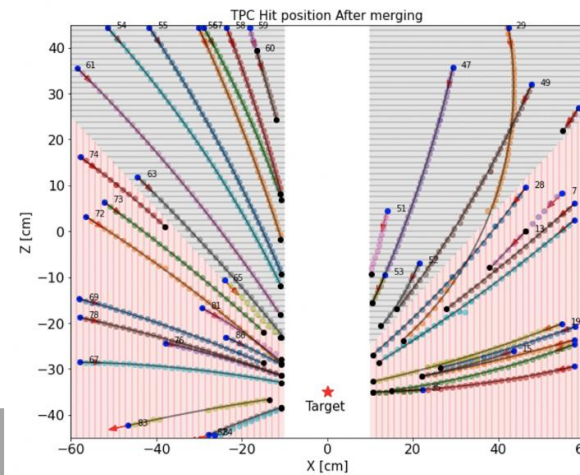
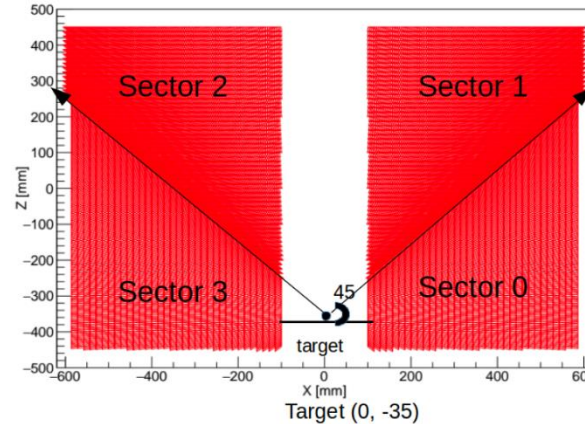


The poster: L04  
**Simulation,  
Digitalization and  
Track reconstruction  
in Time Projection  
Chamber of Future  
CSR-External target  
Experiment at HIRFL**

# TPC Tracking



## CEEROOT



- Apply CA to find track candidate for each sector
  - Apply CA to reconstruct hit triplet/multiplets
  - Connect neighboring triplet to track
- Fit the track candidates by Genfit using Kalman fitter
- Merge the tracks
  - Merge the short tracks to long track in each sector
  - Merge the long tracks crossed the sectors
  - Refit the merged tracks and remove the duplicated tracks

Official Repository: <https://gitee.com/CEESM/CeeRoot>

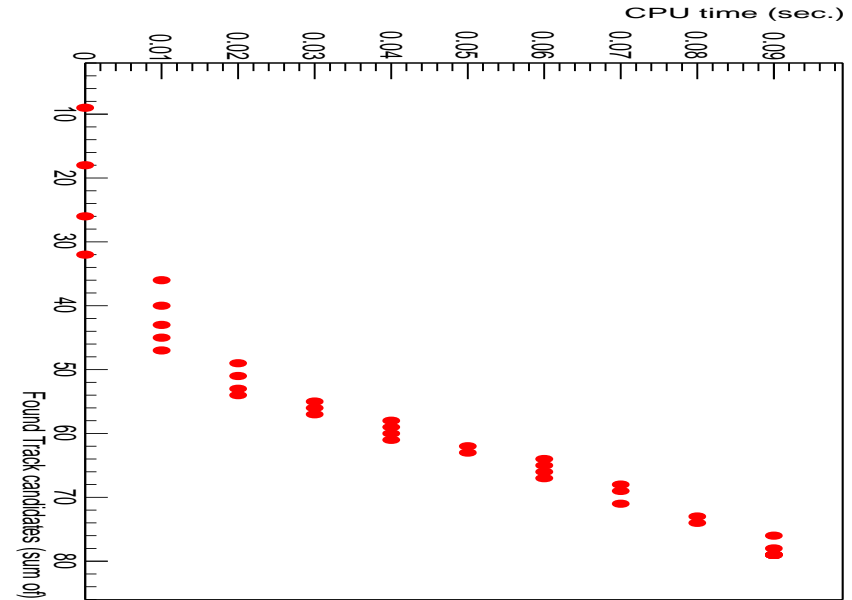
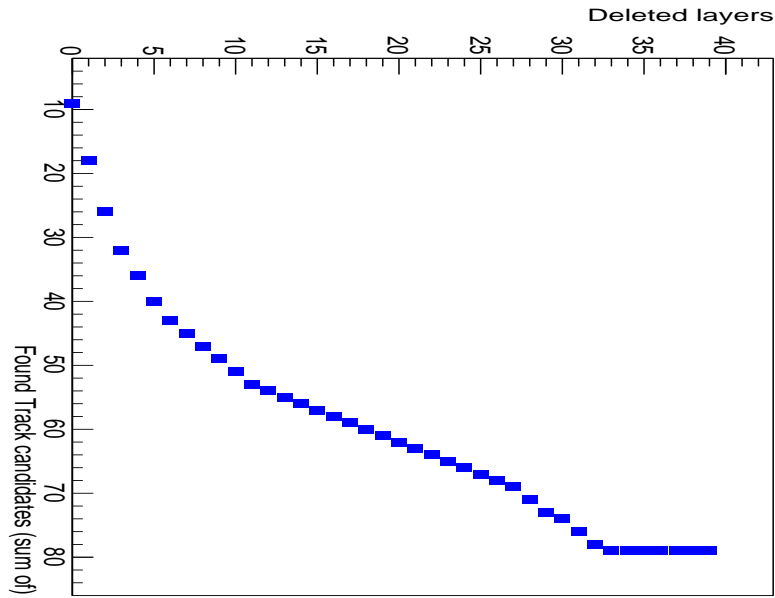
# Summary



- Improved the time resolution of MRPC
- Study the signal integrity of iTOF, reduce reflection and leading edge of the signal becomes steeper at the same time.
- Study the gas transportation model of MRPC.
- Simulation, digitization, and Hit Reconstruction is presented for the TPC.
- The single track ( $\pi^+$ ) tracking performance:
  - ✓ CPU time 16 sec. for 100 multiplicity
  - ✓ when the Efficiency  $\sim 92\%$ , fakes  $\sim 20\%$
- Momentum resolution is below  $\sim 3.5$

Thank you

# Tracking performance



- CPU time for 1 event, 70 tracks using 4 sectors is 5.9 sec. for CA and 3.4 sec for KF.
- Fake rate ~ 20 %, when the Efficiency ~ 92 % (with loose cuts)

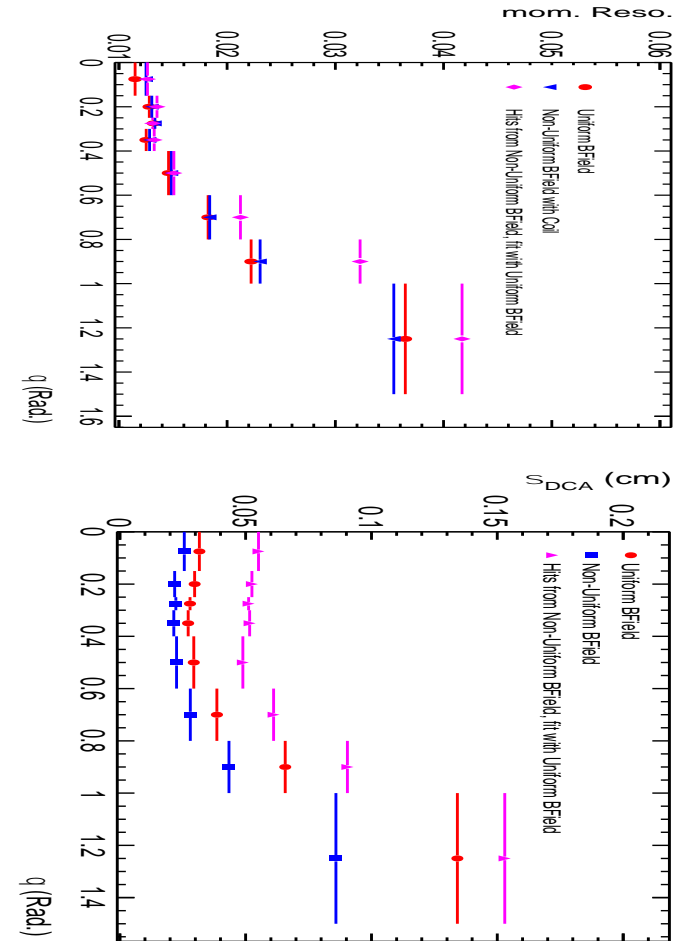
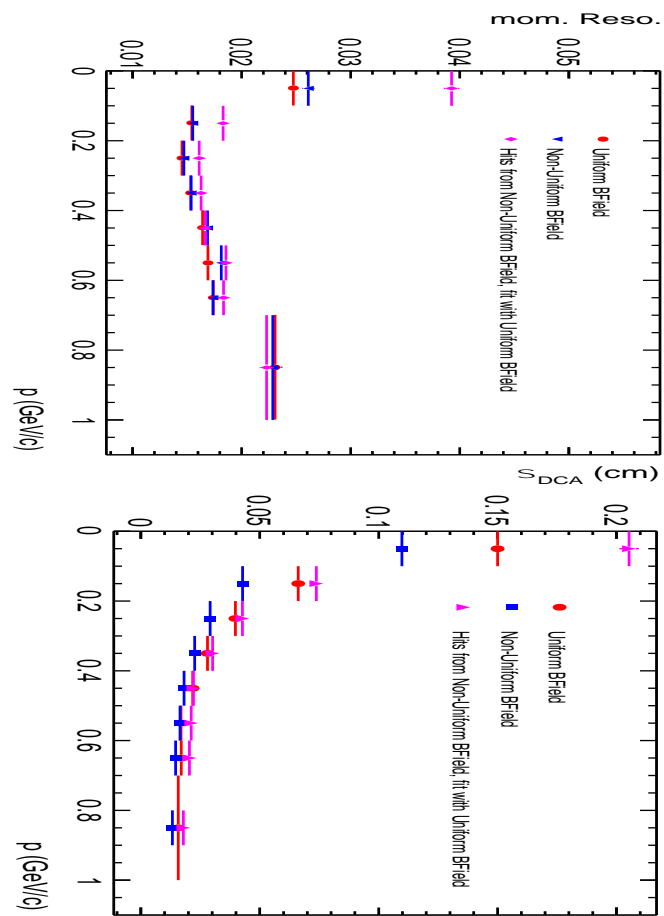
Single core CPU is used

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Model name:      Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6330 CPU @ 2.00GHz
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CPU min MHz:    800.0000
    
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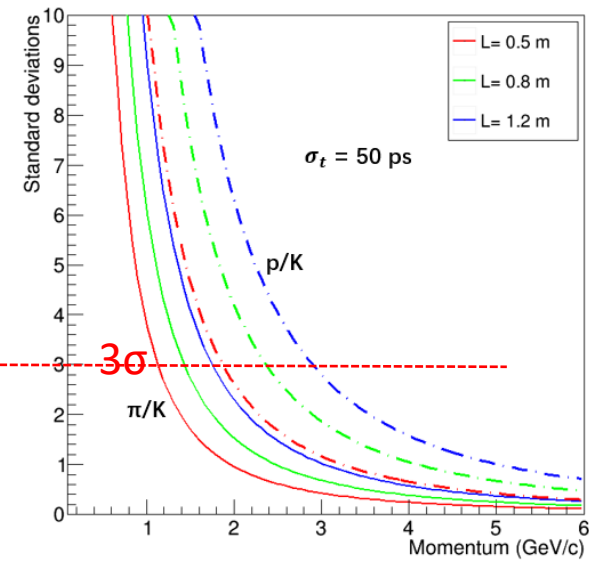
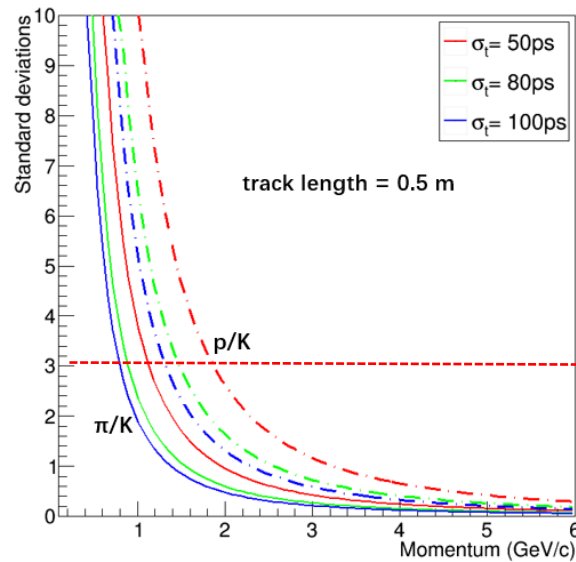
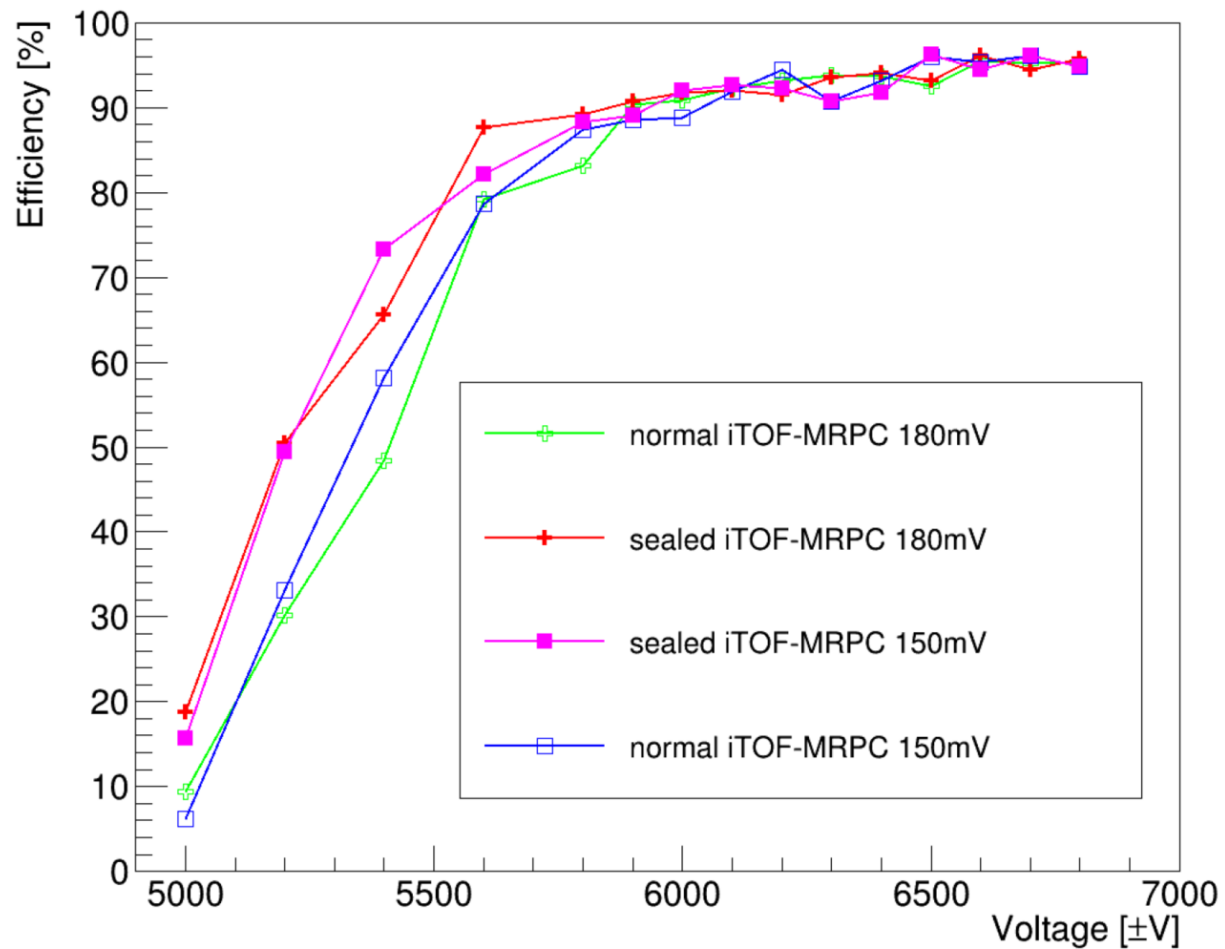
Multiplicity	Triplets (CA+KF)	Multiplets (CA+KF)
70	112.83 sec.	9.2 sec.
100	172 sec.	16.4 sec.

# Momentum resolution and DCA



- Momentum resolution is below  $\sim 3.5\%$ .
- DCA is below  $\sim 1.5$  mm

# backup





# model

