



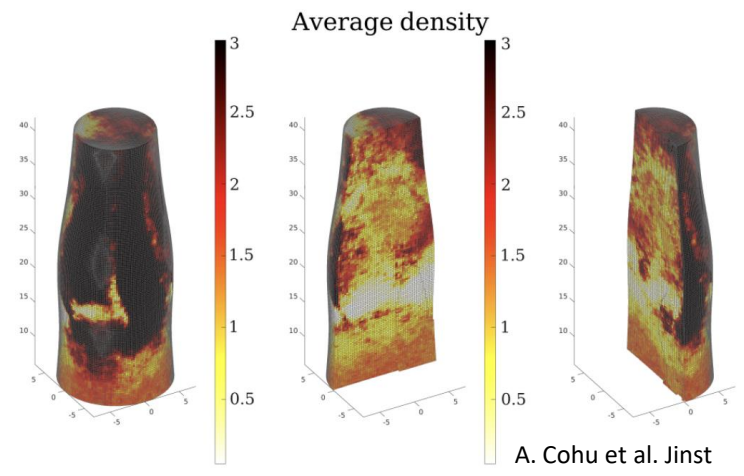
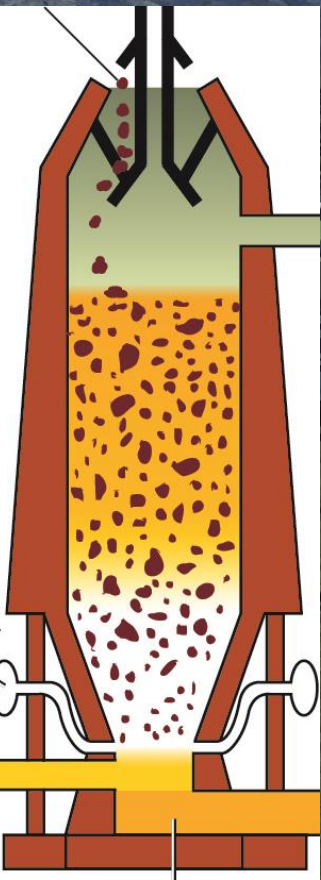
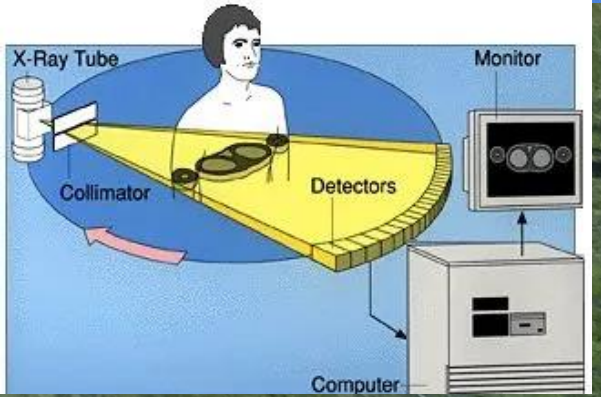
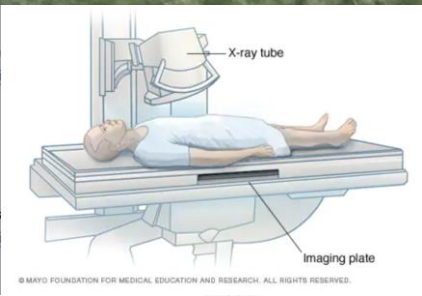
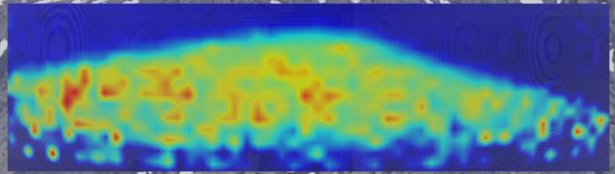
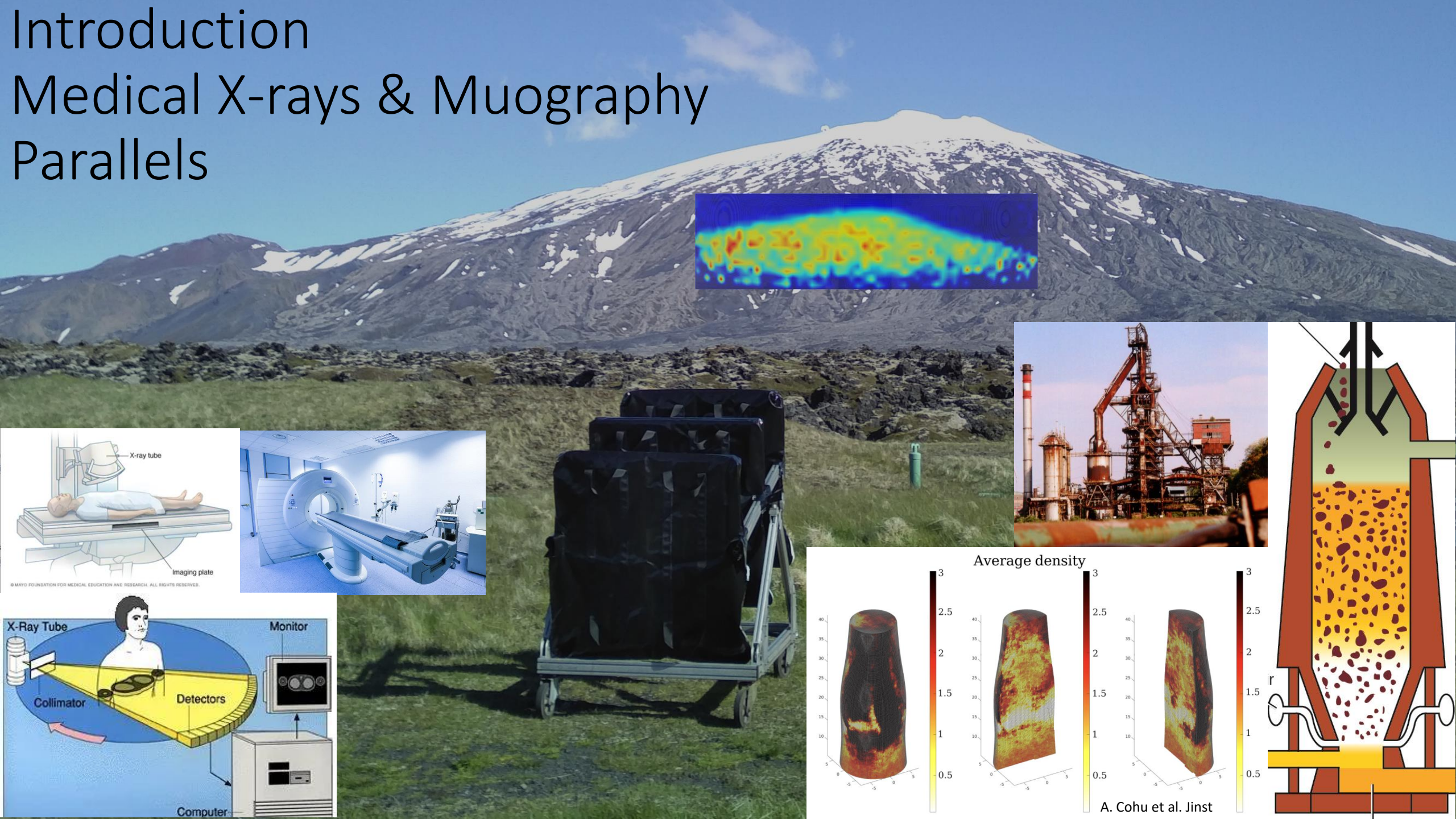
ArchéMuons: Near surface muography studies for targets of archaeological interest

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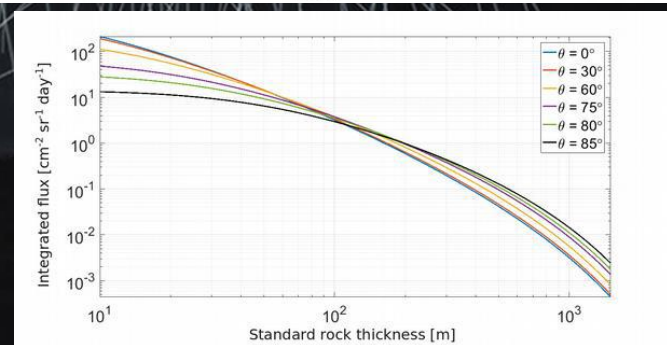
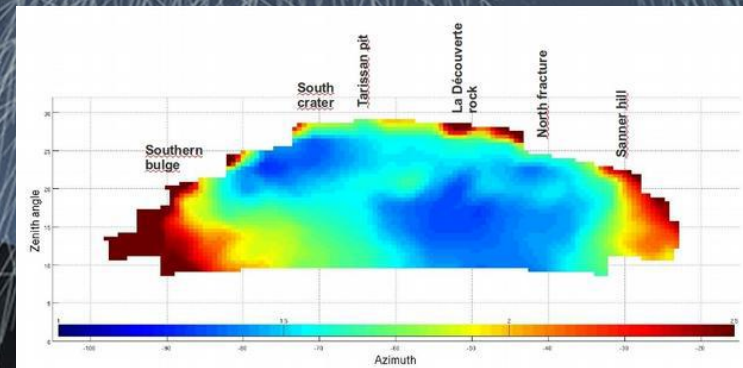
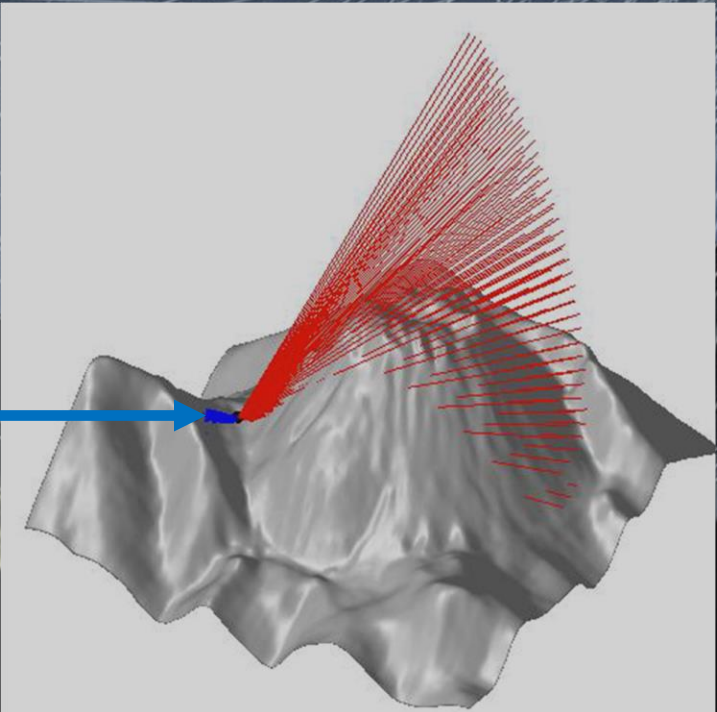
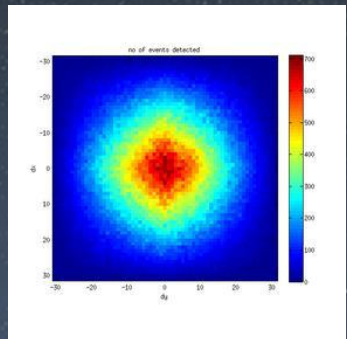
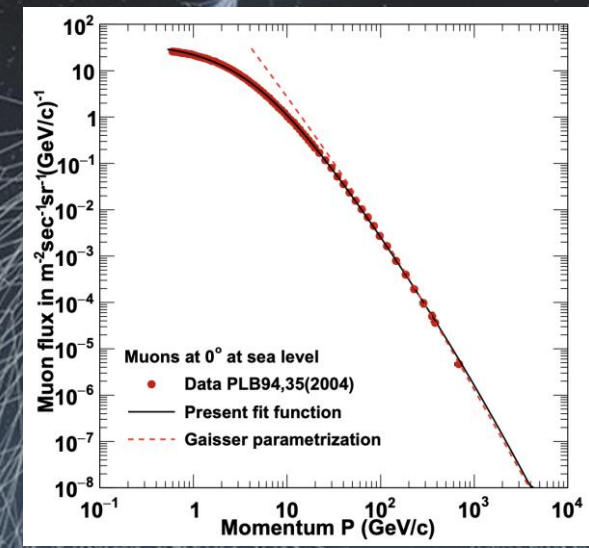
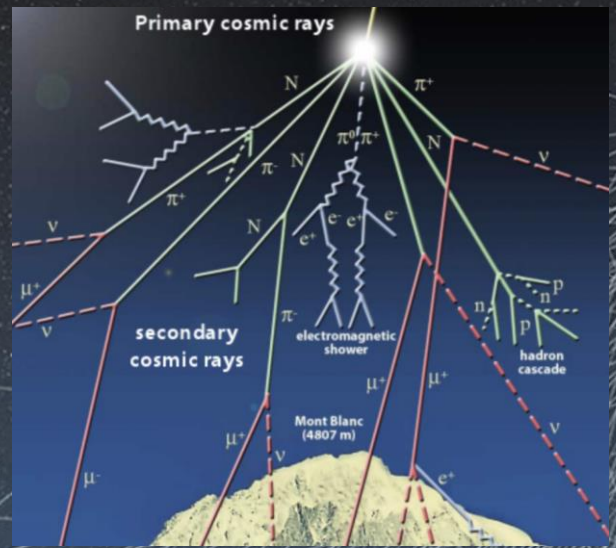
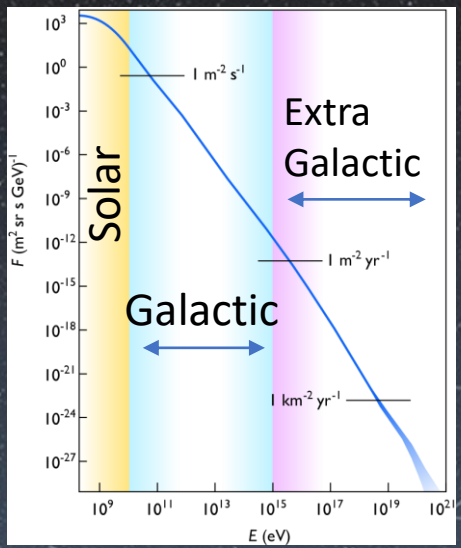
Introduction Medical X-rays & Muography Parallels



Muon Tomography

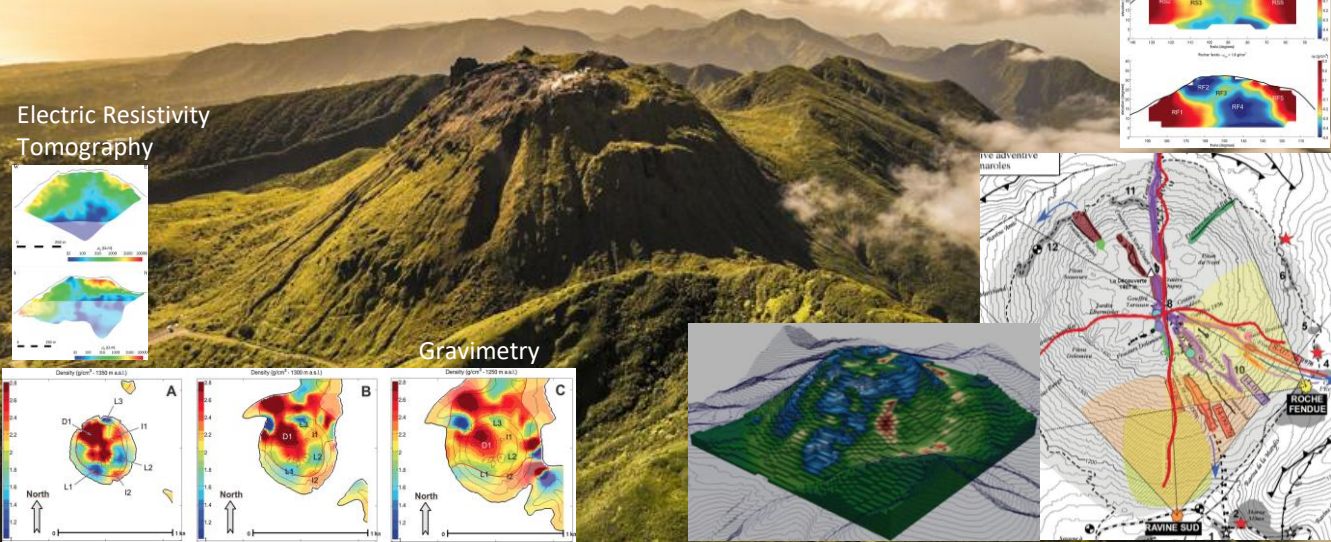
Cosmic Rays

- High Energy Particles
- Atmospheric Cascades
- Extensive Air Showers
- “Steady” Muon Stream



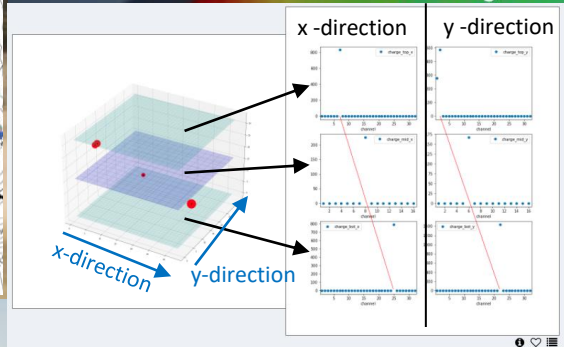
IP2I Lyon – Activities

Volcanology: Guadeloupe – La Soufriere



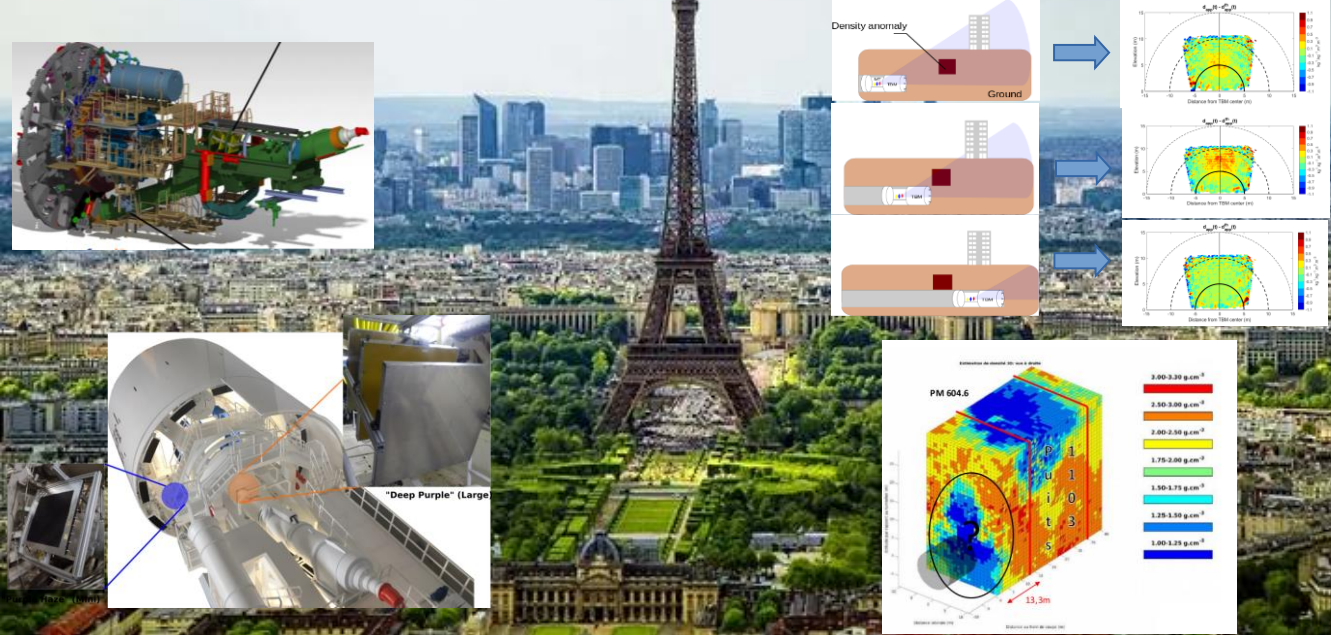
Citizen Science: REINFORCE – Zooniverse

Using Muon Tomography we can probe the internal structure of massive objects, like volcanoes, with particles from stars and galaxies far far away... help us identify these particles inside our detectors



COSMIC MUON IMAGES STATISTICS			
Users Complete	1,961	169,883	26,493
Volunteers		Classifications	Subjects
			Completed Subjects

Civil Engineering: Paris Metro Line



Outreach



Jules Vernes Museum Nantes



Museo se la Grafica Pisa

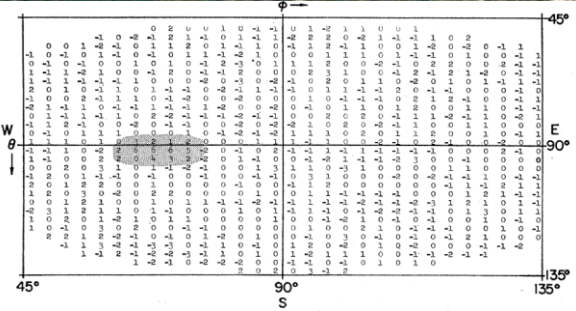


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Muon Tomography - Archaeology

Luis Alvarez invented muon tomography in 1960's to study the Pyramid of Chephren

$$(N_{Data} - N_{Pred}) / \sqrt{N_{Data}}$$



Search for Hidden Chambers in the Pyramids

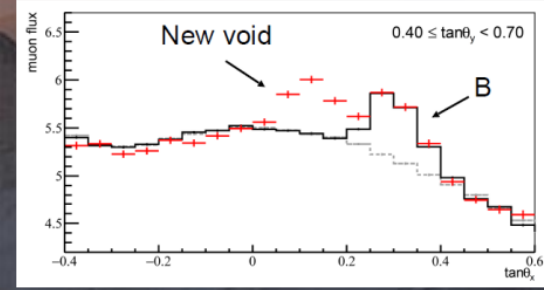
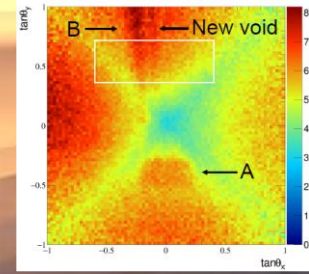
The structure of the Second Pyramid of Giza is determined by cosmic-ray absorption.

Luis W. Alvarez, Jared A. Anderson, F. El Bedwei, James Burkhard, Ahmed Fakhry, Adib Girgis, Amr Goned, Fikhy Hassan, Dennis Iverson, Gerald Lynch, Zenab Miligy, Ali Hilmy Moussa, Mohammed-Sharkawi, Lauren Yazolino

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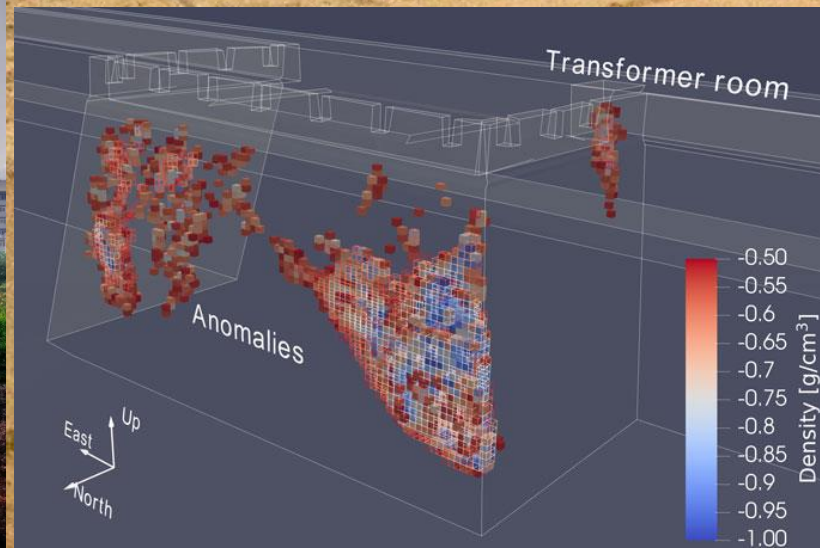
Discovery of a big void in Khufu's Pyramid by observation of cosmic-ray muons

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SCAN PYRAMIDS

A: King's Chamber
New Void
B: Grand Gallery



High-precision muography in archaeogeology: A case study on Xi'an defensive walls.

L. Guorui et al. *J. Appl. Phys* 133, 014901 (2023)

A more difficult case : Tumuli

The Apollonia tumulus as a benchmark for the method

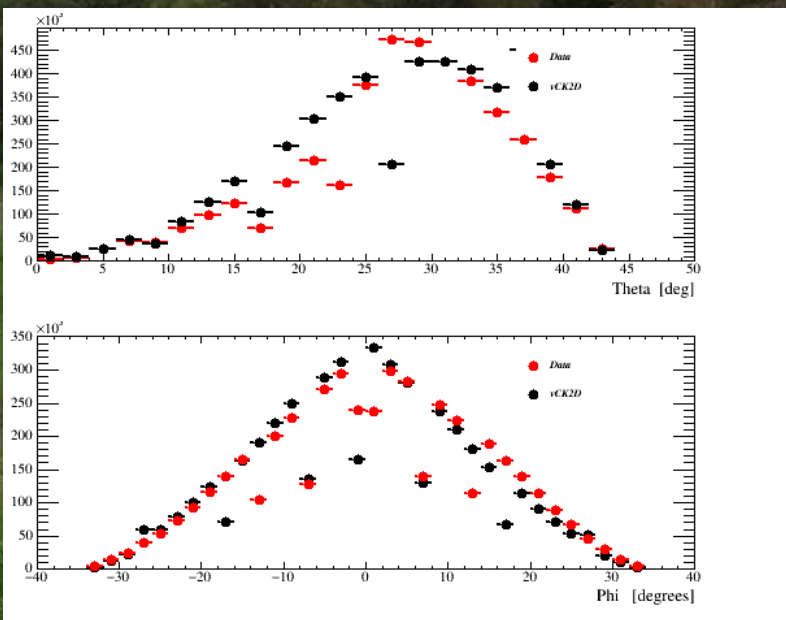
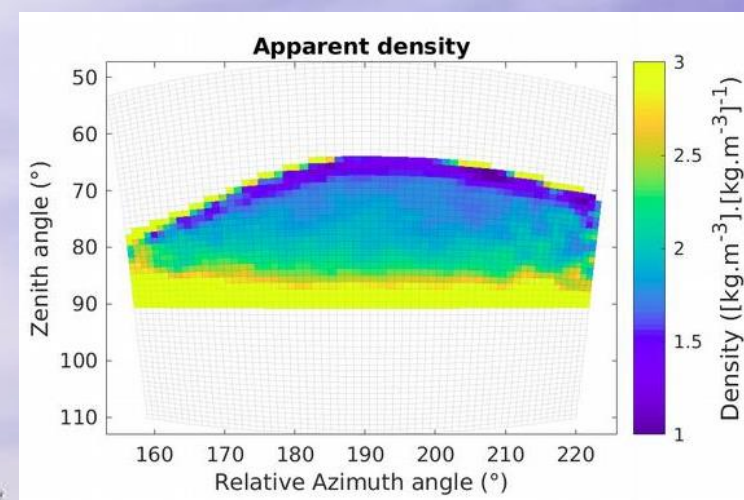
- Existing monument
- Density anomalies detected by other methods

Difficulties :

- Looking for an object with similar density as the surrounding materials $\rho \sim 2.3 \text{ gr/cm}^3$ for dirt and 2.5 gr/cm^3 for marble !
- If any monument, it must be at the horizon level. Very low number of muons, wait a LONG time !
- Muons must cross a lot of dirt. Need high energy muons, their number is even less !



Apollonia Tumulus



- Level of agreement ~ 10 to 20% between observed muon fluxes and simulation
- Precision experiment looking for tiny effects
- Limitations:
 - The precise knowledge of the muon spectrum and muon statistics
 - A more accurate geometrical description of the tumulus and the density of soil

ArchéMuons

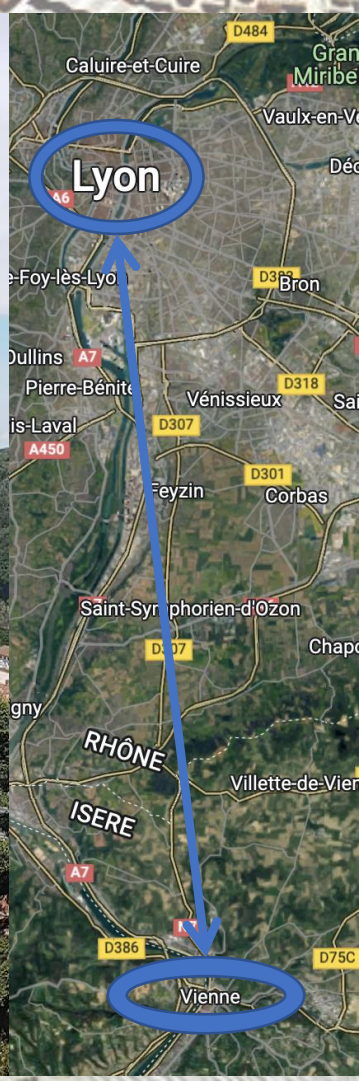
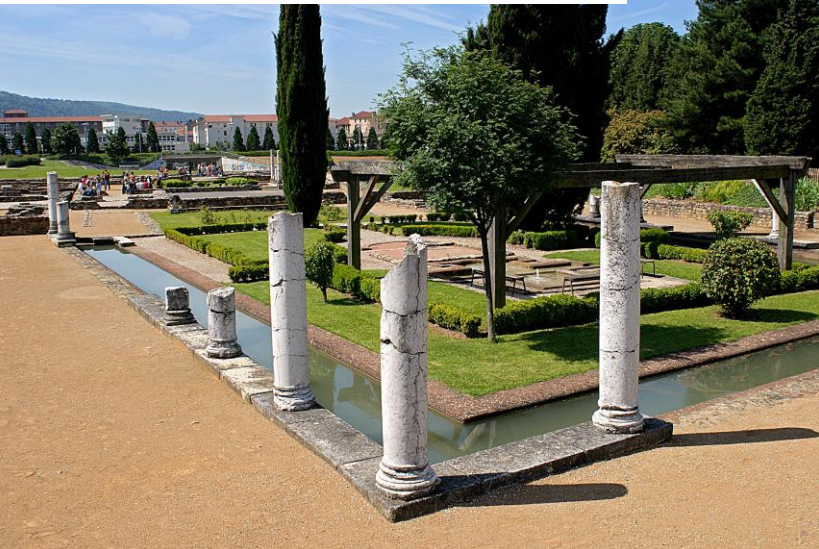
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A miniature implementation of the “La Soufrière” experience

- Muon Tomography in controlled/confined environment
- Combine/Compare results with Geophysical Surveys: ERT
Gravimetry
Seismometry
- Prospect of archaeological discovery

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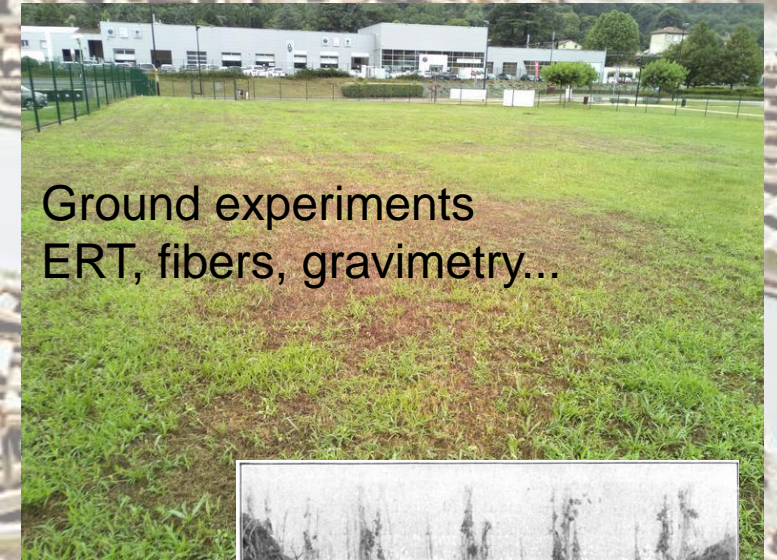
Palais du Miroir



C. O. D. - Bischoff & Hères, edit. - Vienne

1414. VIENNE — Ruines du Palais du Miroir, à Ste-Colombe
Entrée d'un souterrain romain découvert dans des fouilles récentes
et qu'on croit être un Ergastule (vaste galerie souterraine
où les Romains enfermaient les prisonniers Gaulois)

Physics Case

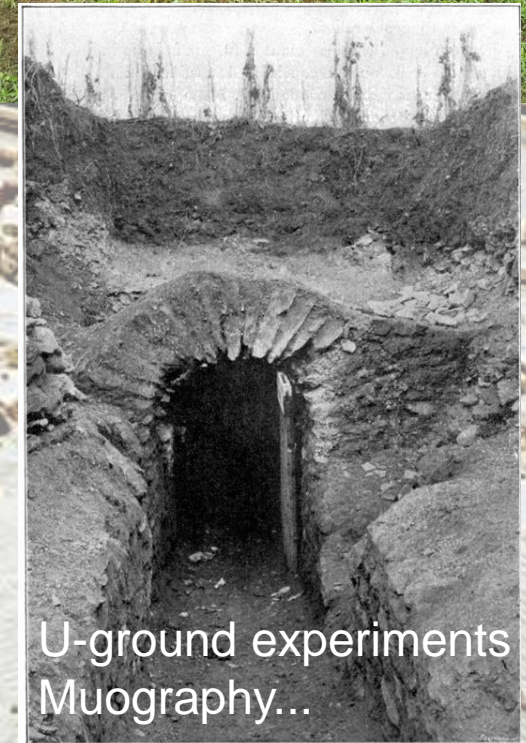


Ground experiments
ERT, fibers, gravimetry...

Underground Network Of Galleries
Unknown Size and Pattern (estimated $\sim 9000 \text{ m}^2$)

Prospects

Better understand the limitations of the method
Evaluate the thickness of the collapsed parts
Possibly mapping nearby unexplored tunnel parts



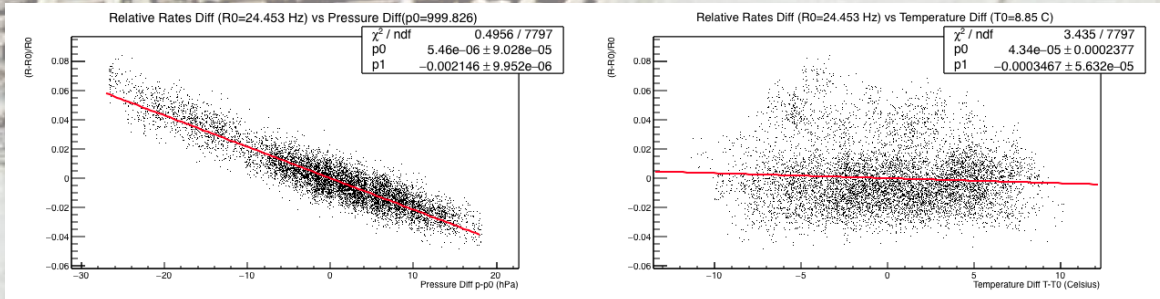
U-ground experiments
Muography...

FIG. 8. — Entrée des aqueducs du Palais du Miroir.

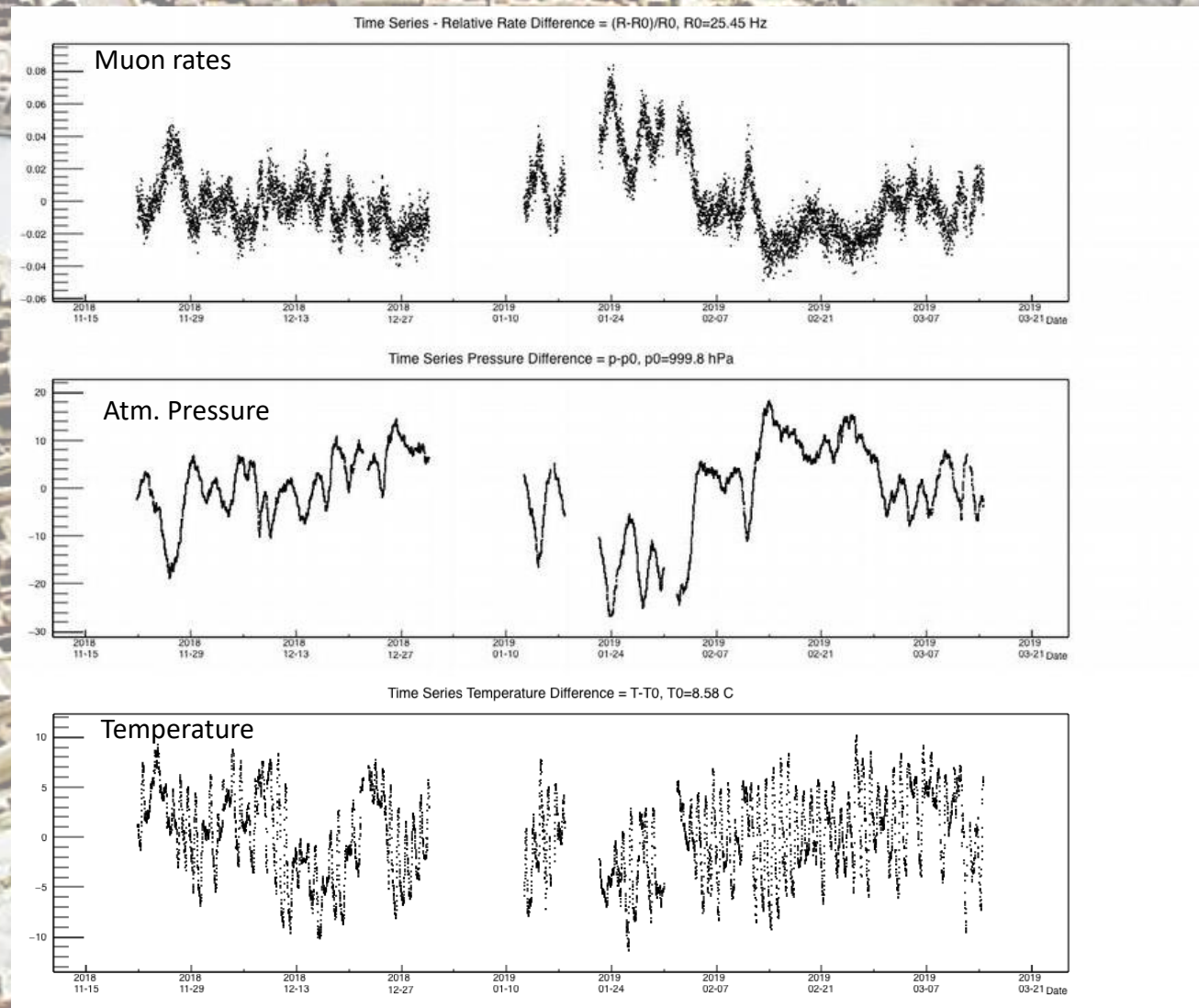
Atmospheric effects

Weather affects muon rates
Correction for precision experiments

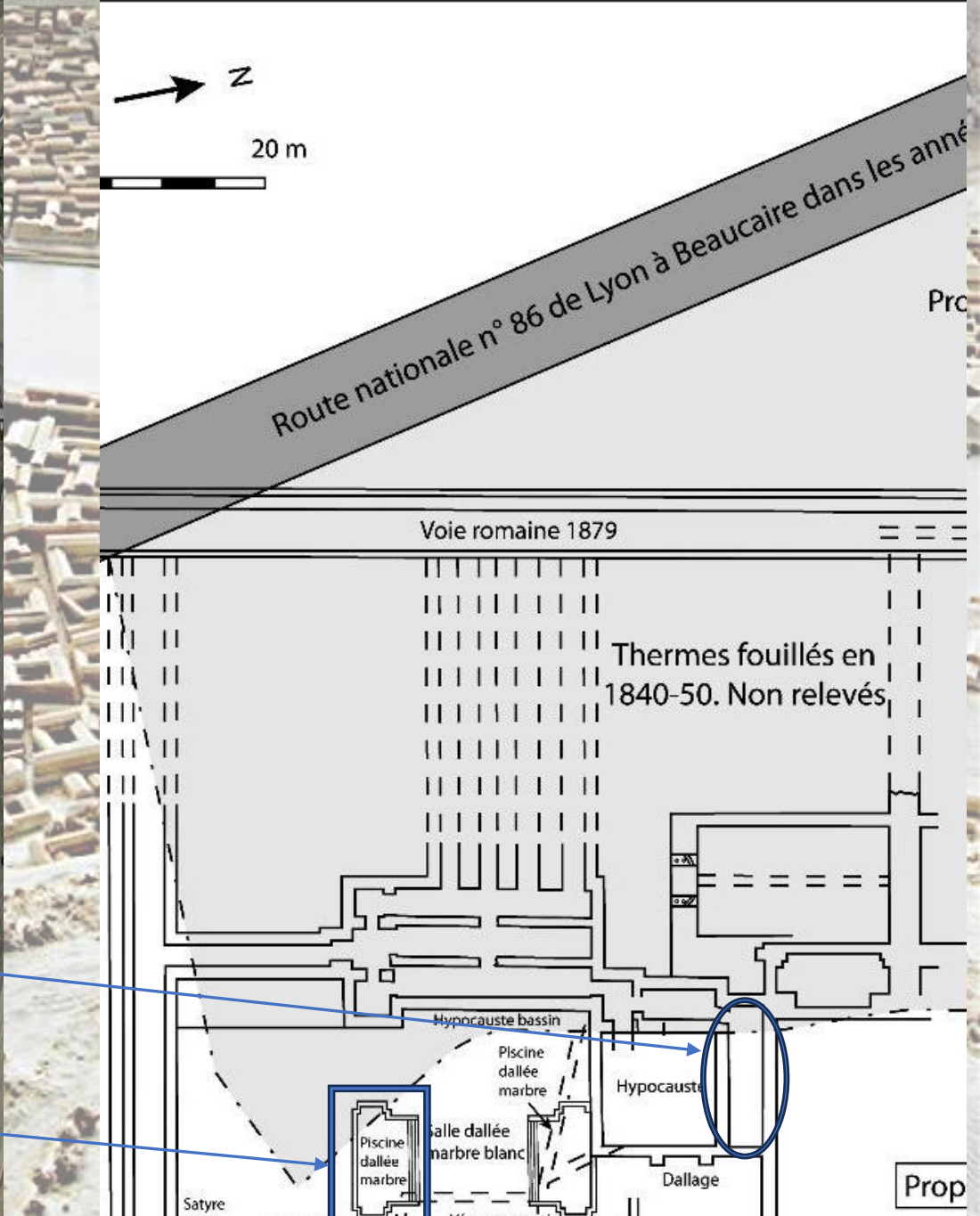
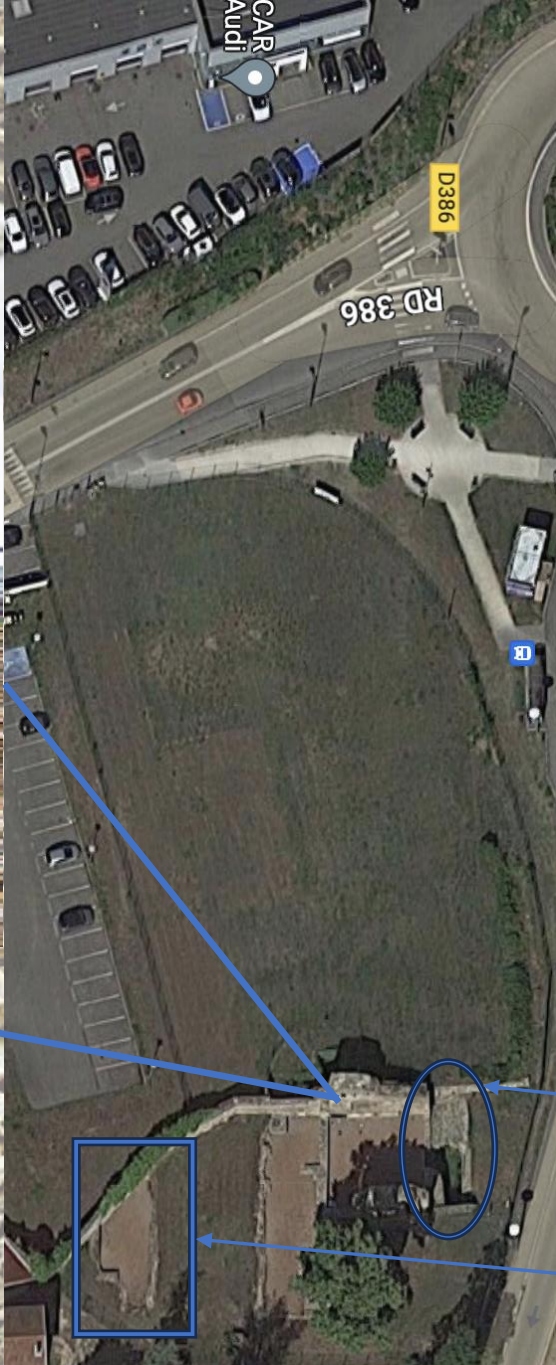
$$\frac{\Delta R}{\langle R \rangle} = \alpha_T \frac{\Delta T_{\text{eff}}}{\langle T_{\text{eff}} \rangle} + \beta_P (p - \langle p \rangle)$$



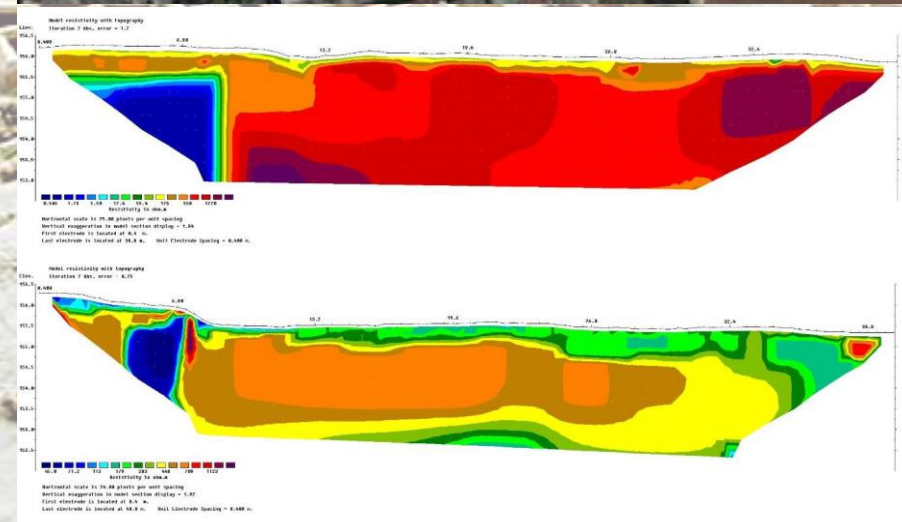
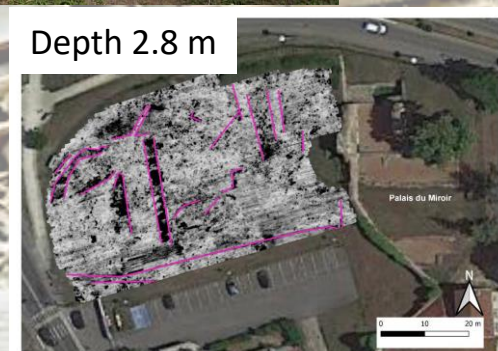
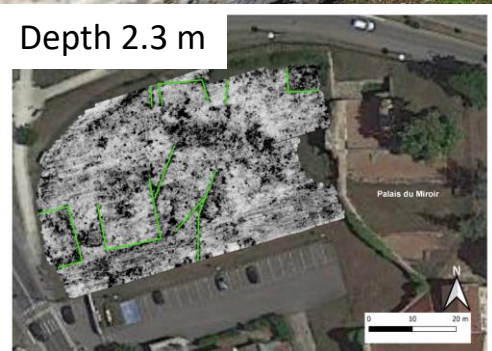
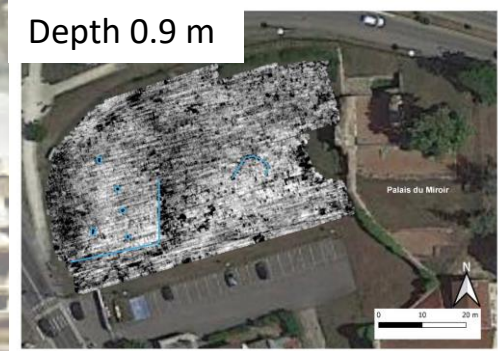
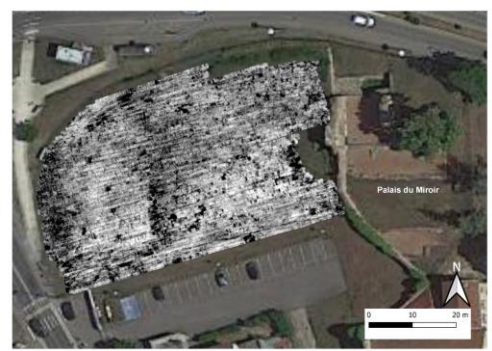
How soil water retention affects the measurement



OverGround



GeoRadar & Electric Resistivity Tomography



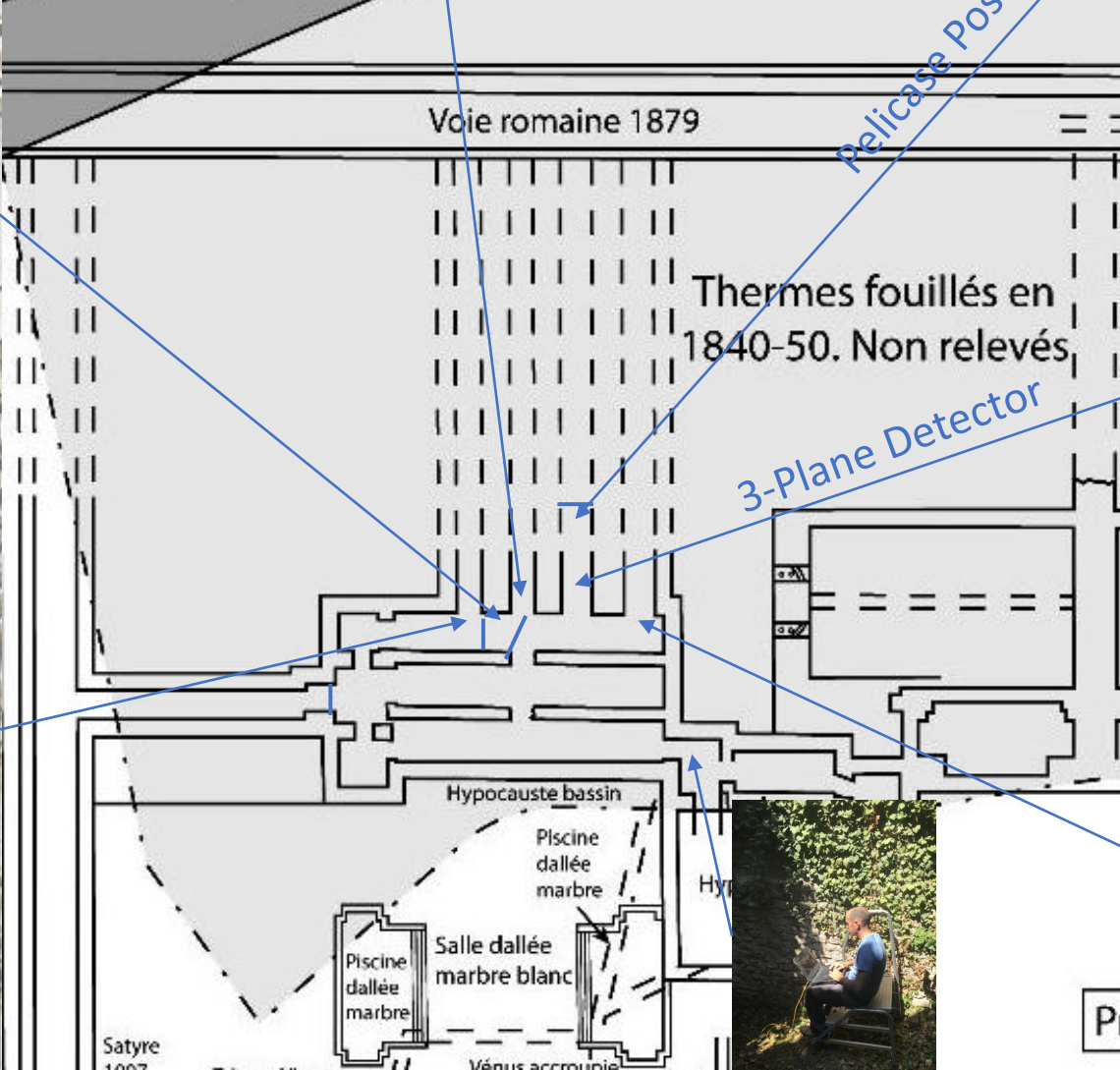
Distributed Acoustic Sensing & Seismometry



Underground

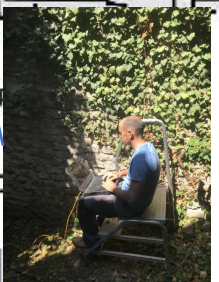


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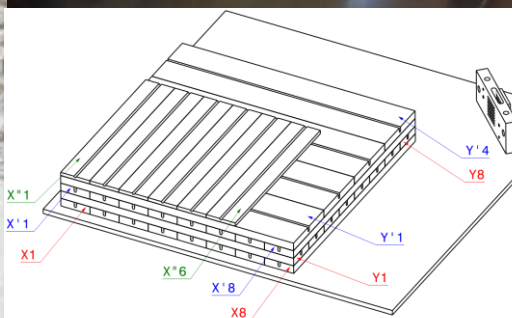
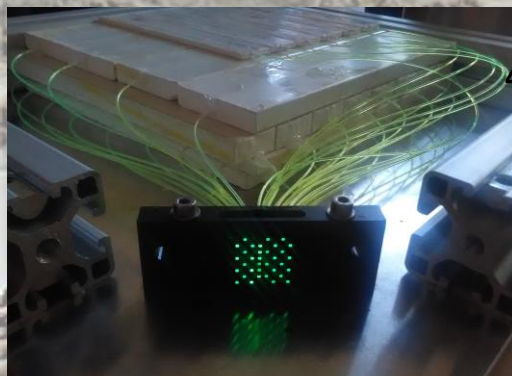


Pellicase Position

3-Plane Detector



Pellicase detector

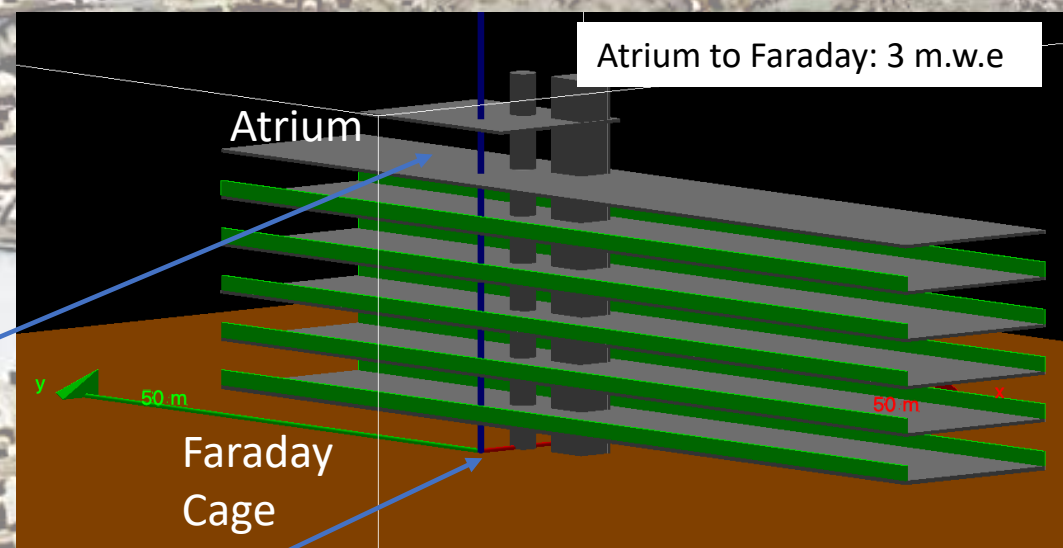
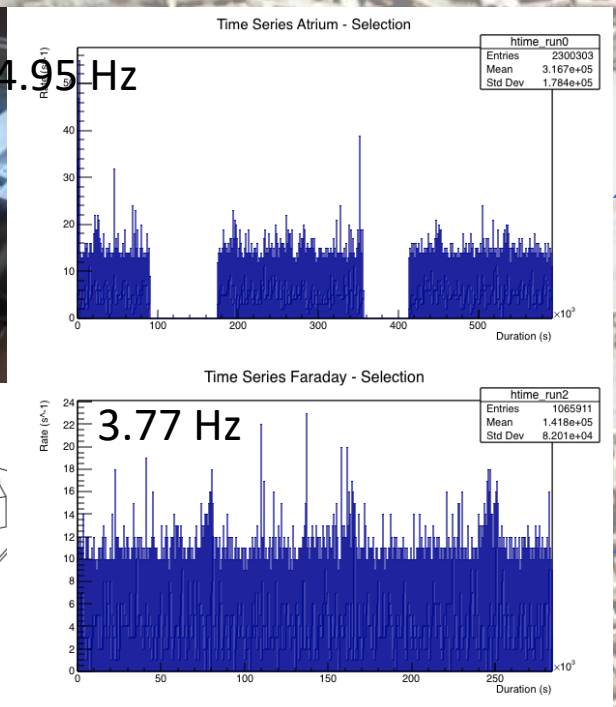


Selection: 4-fold Coincidences between lower planes

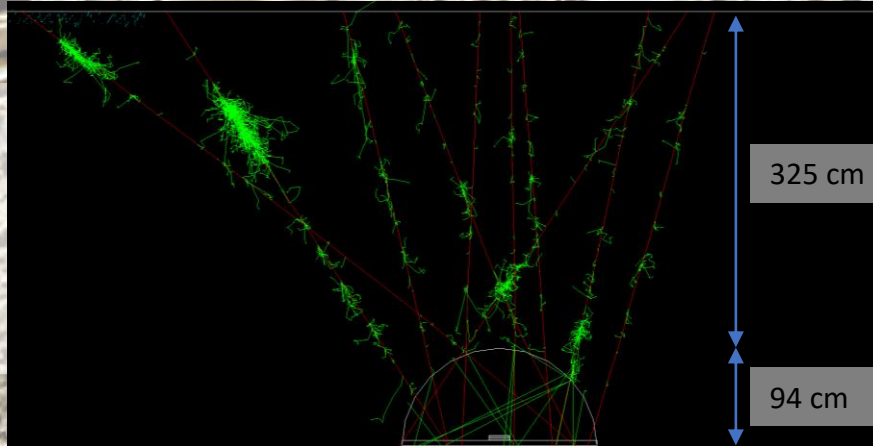
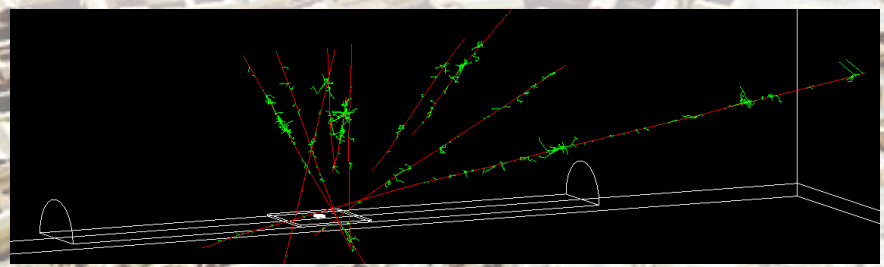
Pellicase Calibratio @ Laboratory

Det. Efficiency (DE): Selection Rate / Theoretical Rate

Atrium: 0.6743 ± 0.0004
 Faraday: 0.6587 ± 0.0007
 Mean value: 0.6665



Theoretical Rates (calc. Shukla et al):
 $Rate(0 GeV) = 7.335 \times sec^{-1}$ (Atrium – No Overburden, $E_{th} = 0 GeV$)
 $Rate(0.598 GeV) = 5.702 \times sec^{-1}$ (Faraday – 3 m.w.e, $E_{th} = 0.598$)

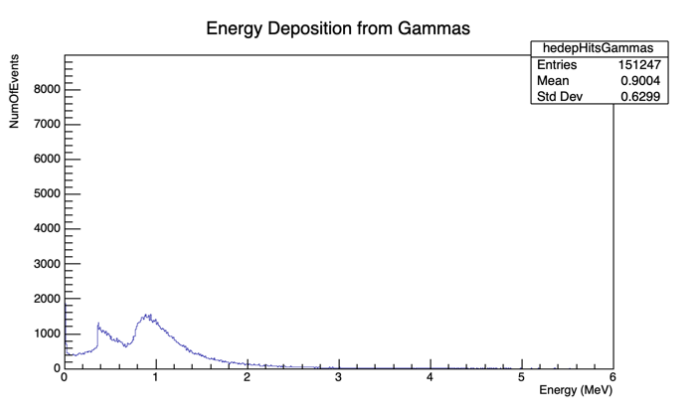
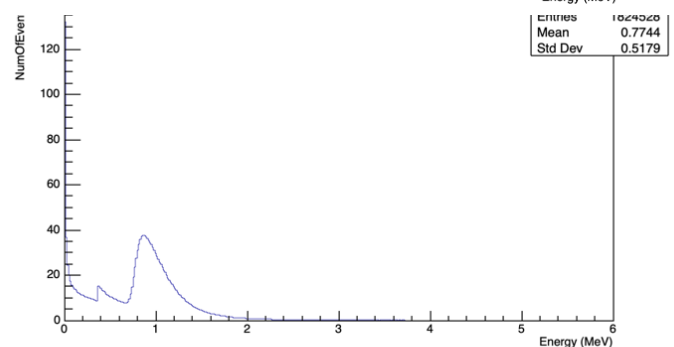
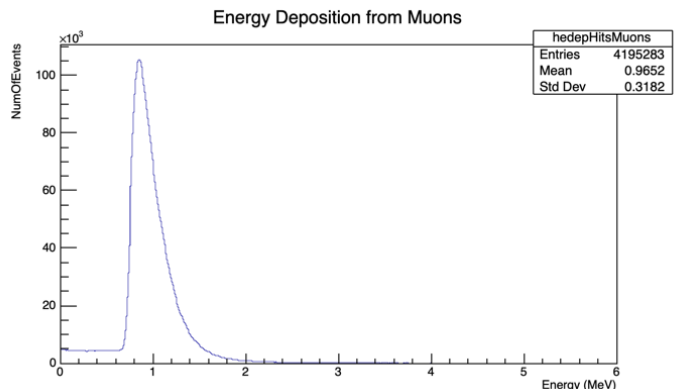


Experiment @ Tunnel
 Rate = Selection Rate / Det Eff = 4.090 Hz
 $E_{th} = 1.455 GeV$
 OverBurden: 730 cm water eq. or 325 cm Standard Rock

Very noisy environment
 Noise ~ muon rates
 Pellicase is insufficient for this study

(A. Begneu)

2 Plane Detector - Simulation



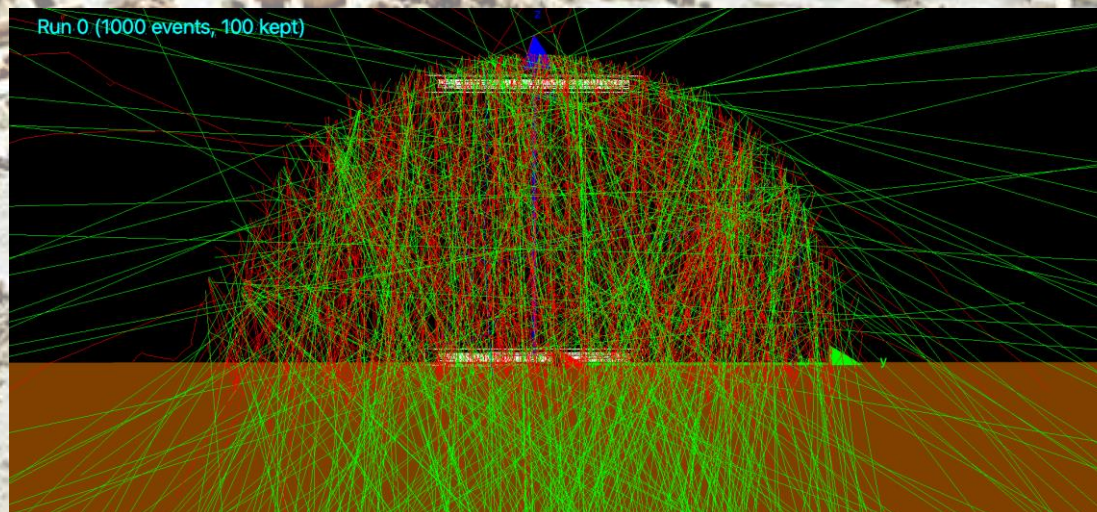
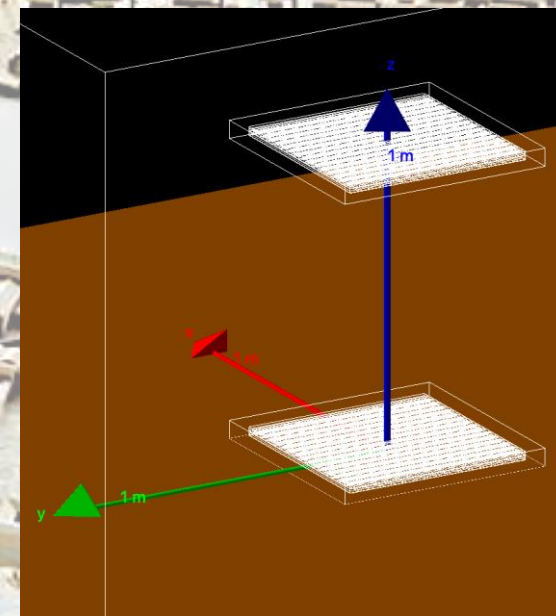
No Cuts

events with hits: 1993708
Events with 2 fold Coincidences: 351286
2-fold Coincidences with muon: 323597
2-fold Coincidences From Muons: 182544

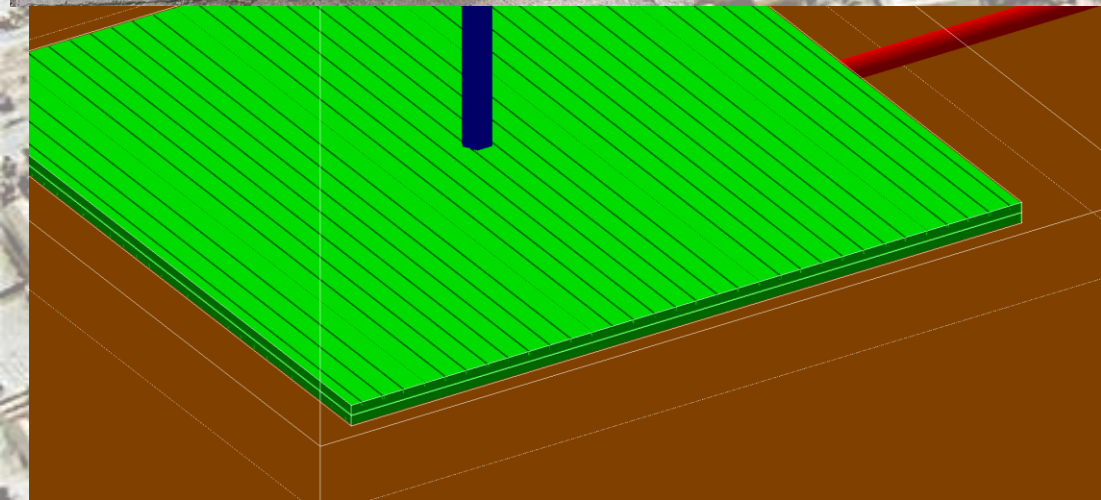
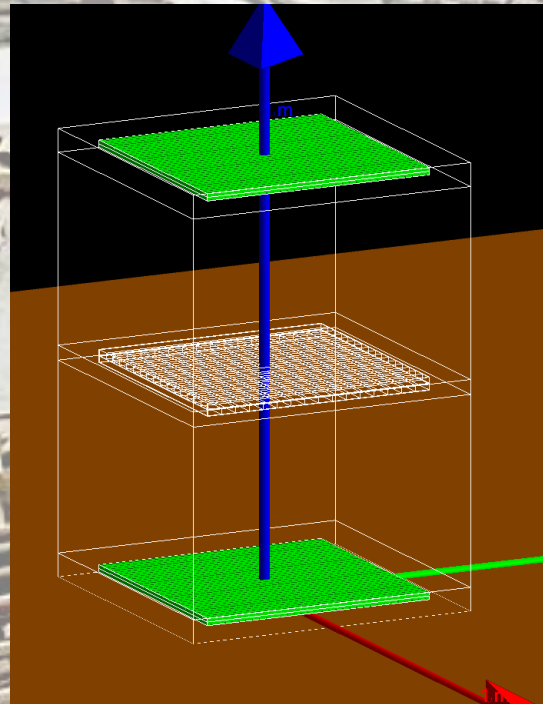
Energy Deposition > 0.6 MeV

events with hits: 1526250
Events with 2 fold Coincidences: 273770
2-fold Coincidences with muon: 272918
2-fold Coincidences From Muons: 173913

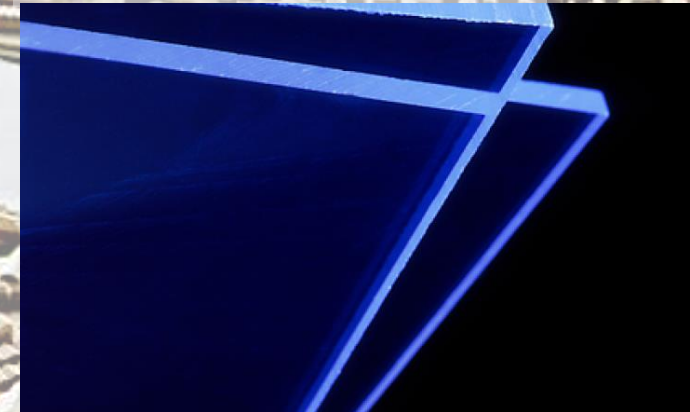
Preliminary Finding Shows
2-fold Coincidence are
64% actual muons
36% Muon + other particle



Current Detector – Palais de Mirroir



Saint-Gobain Crystals



ref. Luxium Solutions

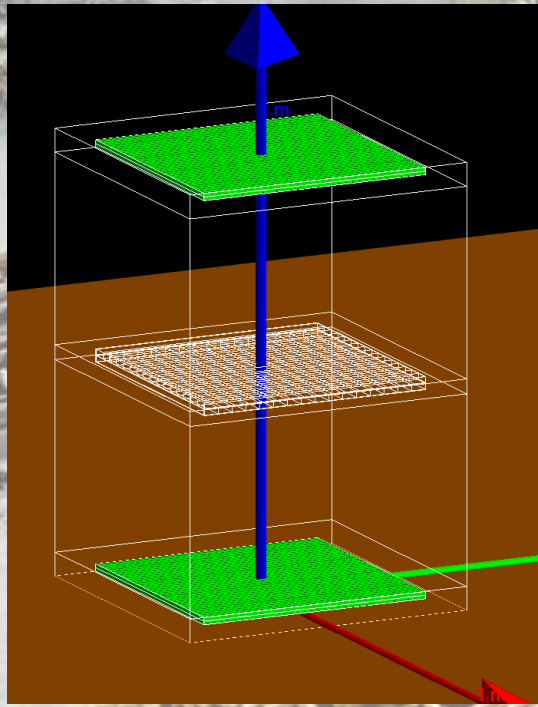
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203 cm X 63 cm X 5 mm

Detection: Alphas, betas,
charged particles, cosmic rays,
Muons, protons

Large Area & Economy

Current Detector – Gold Events

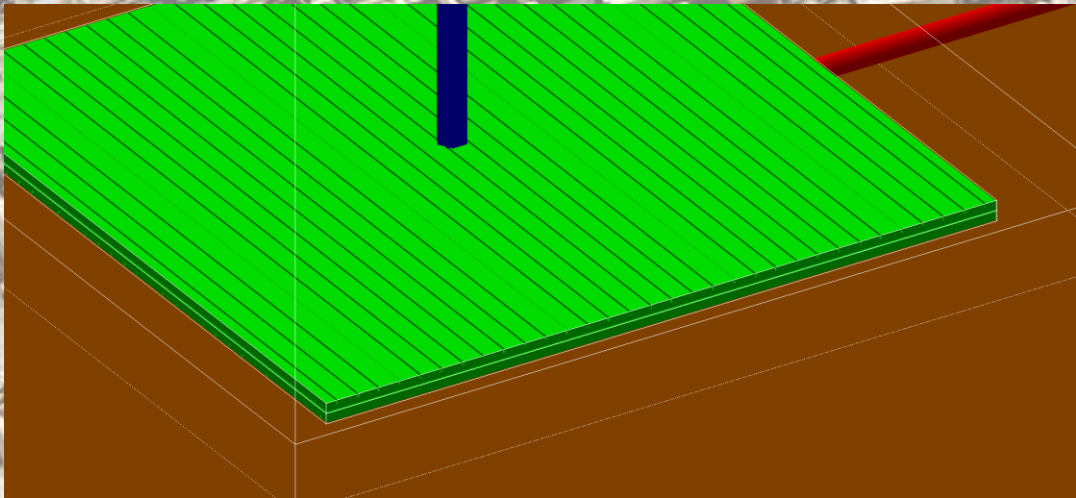
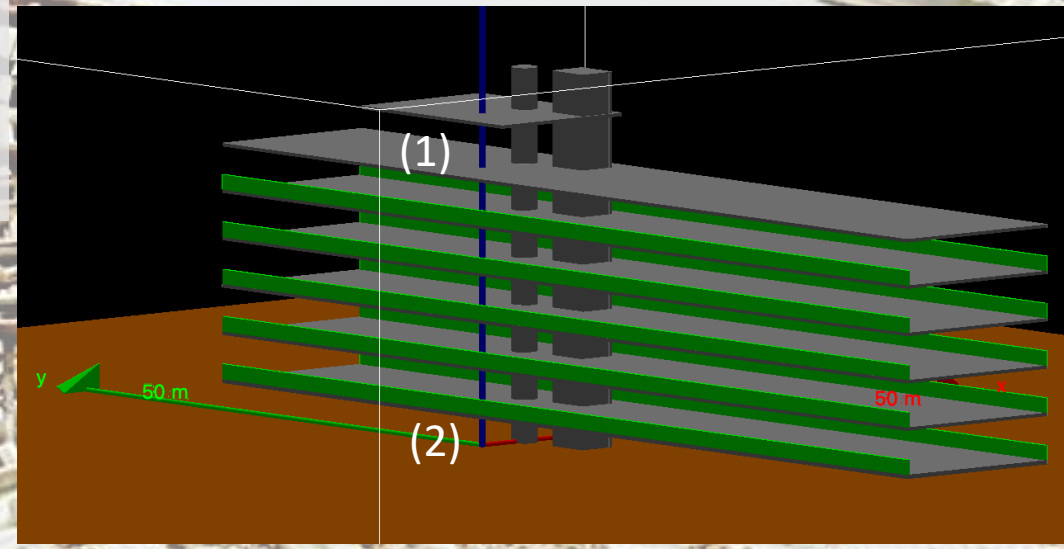


2 Hits per PMT -> 1 per direction x & y

Middle Detection Plane => 1 scint Bar per direction

Rear Detection planes => Consecutive fibers per direction

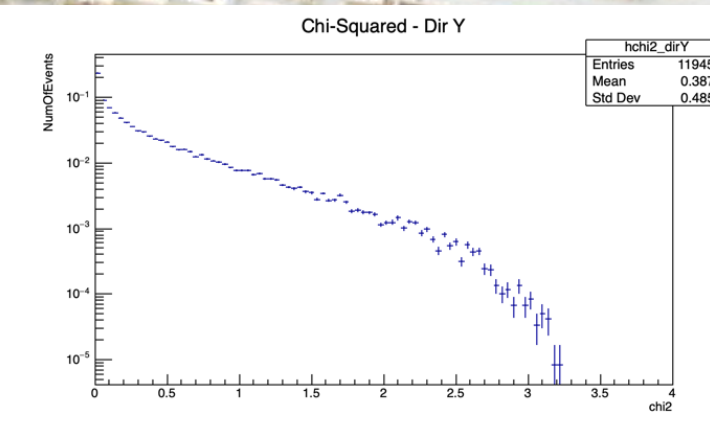
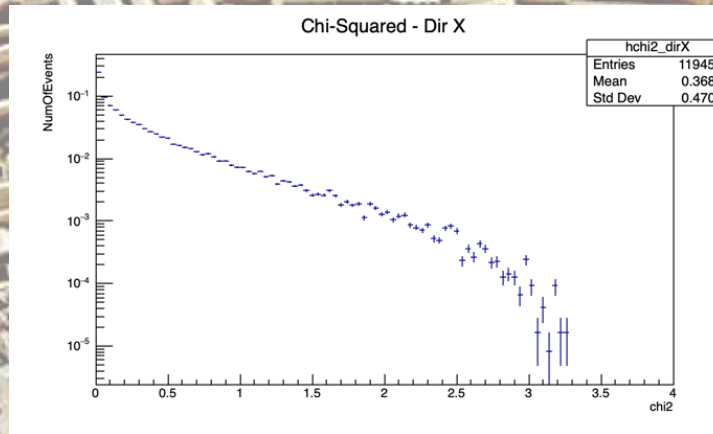
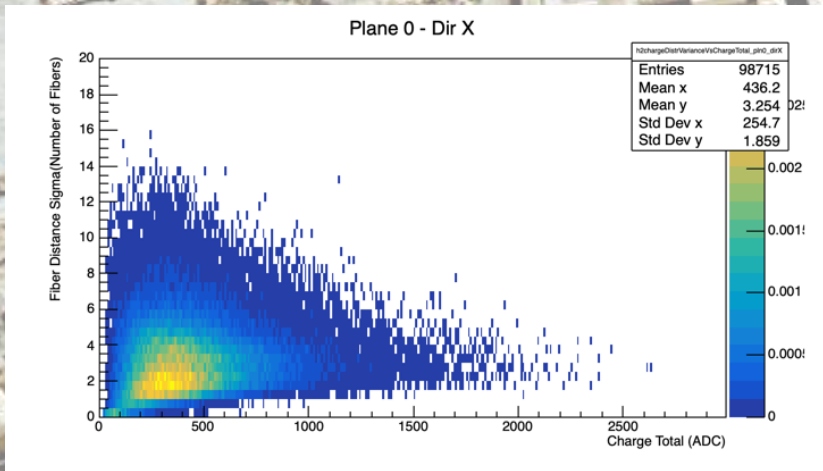
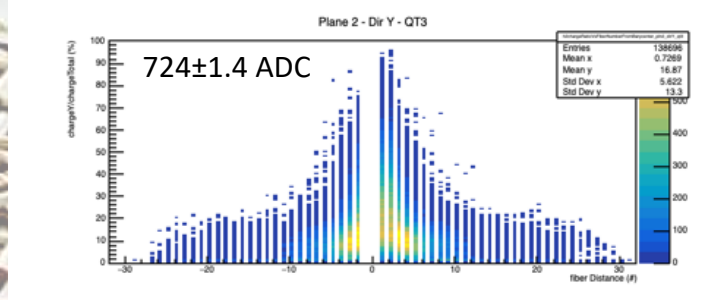
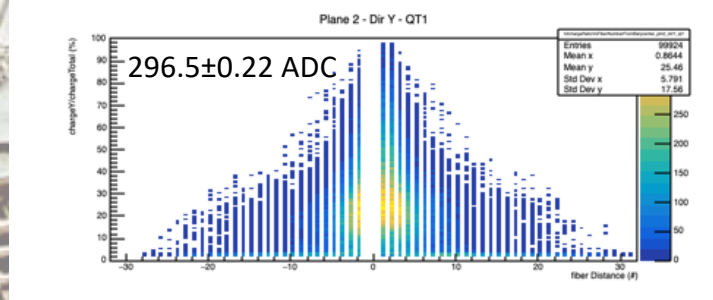
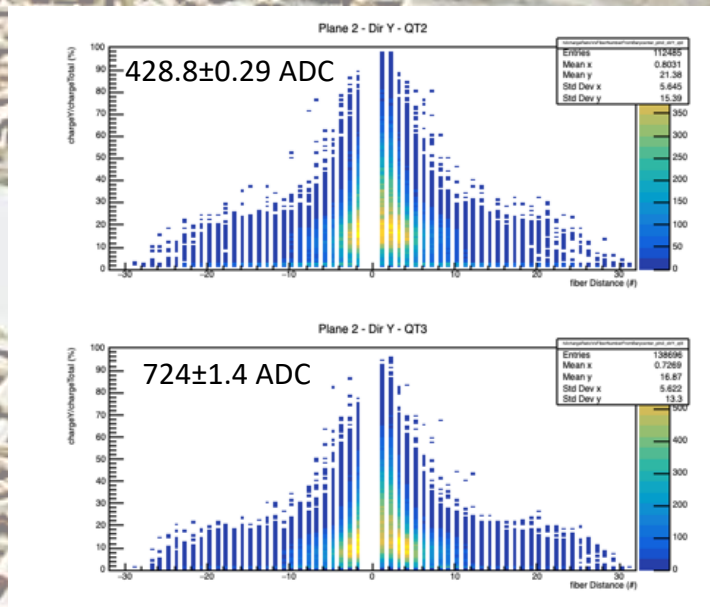
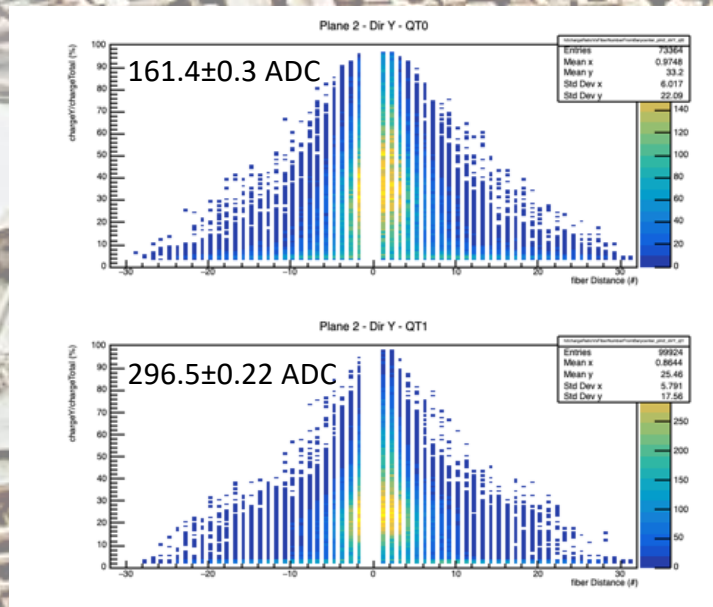
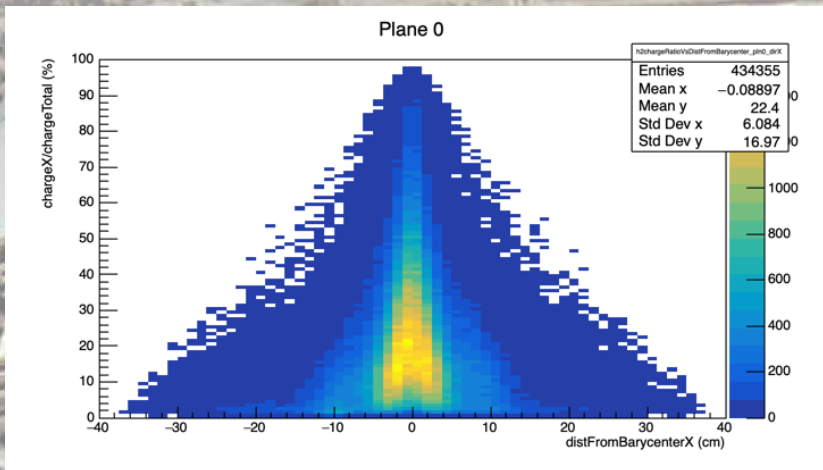
- 4 Set of measurements
- (1) Atrium
 - (2) Faraday
 - (3) Vienne – 3 Planes
 - (4) Vienne – 2 (rear) Planes



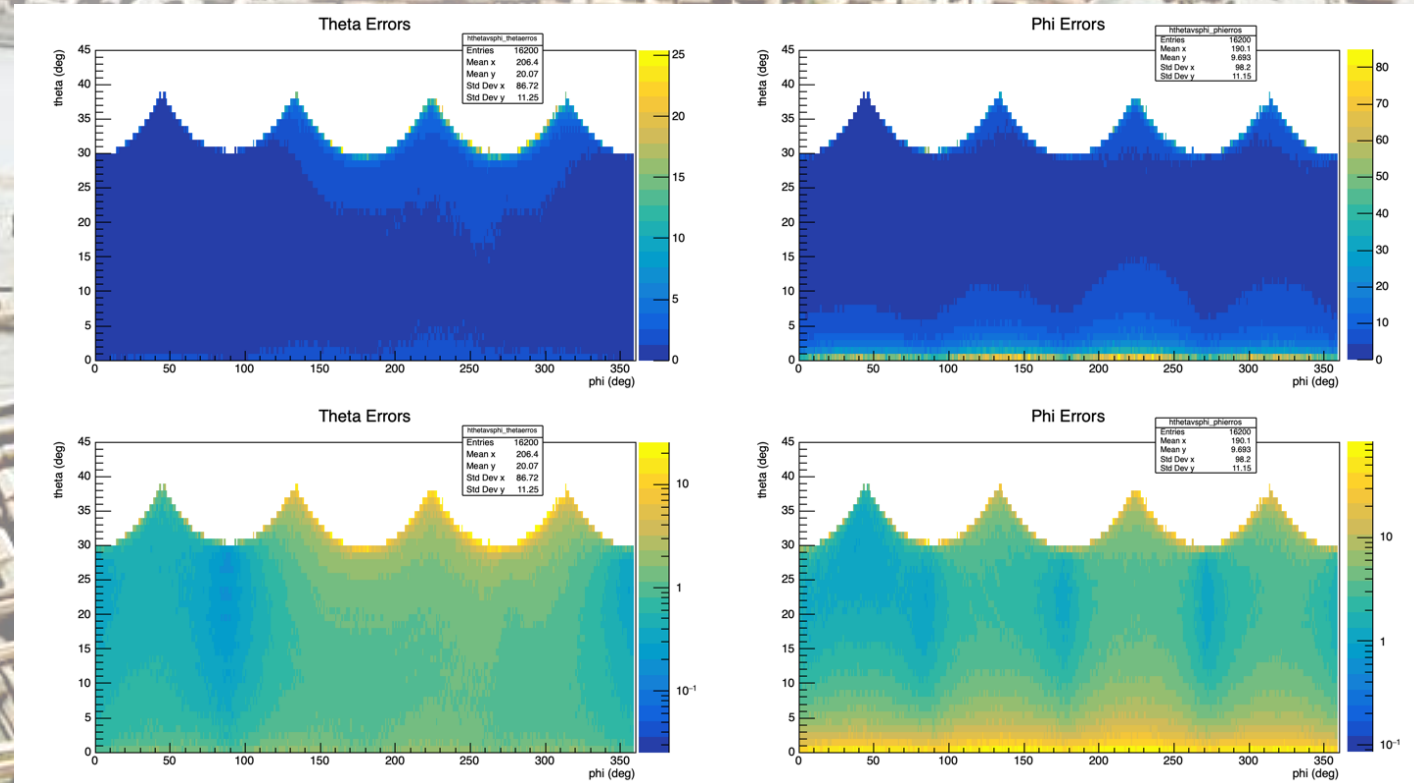
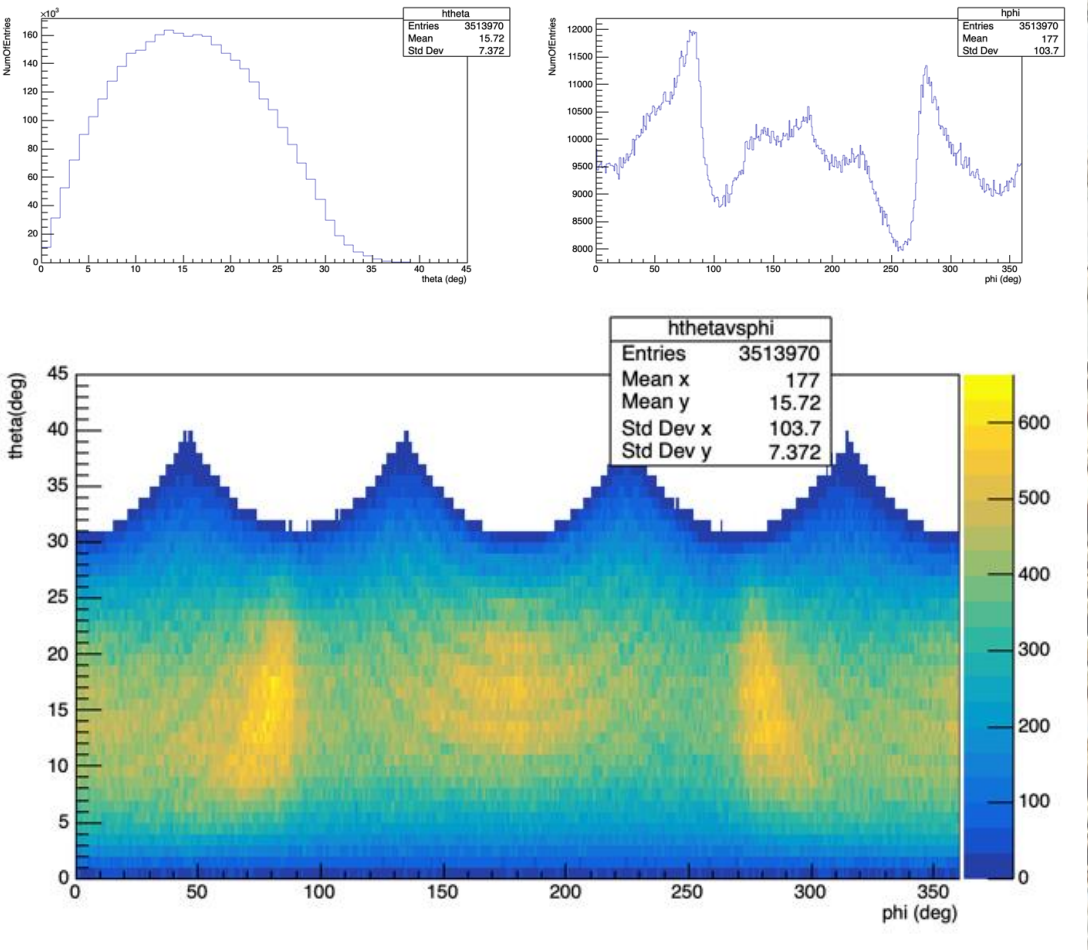
Gold Event Rates:

- (1) $12.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Hz
- (2) $8.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Hz
- (3) $4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Hz
- (4) $8.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Hz -> A substantial contribution from noise

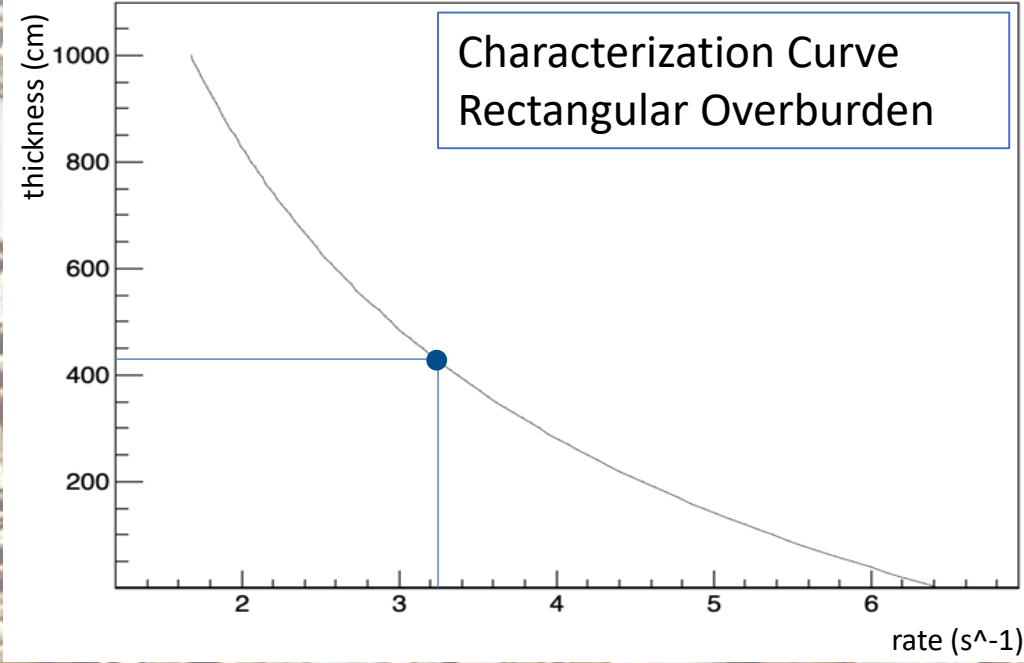
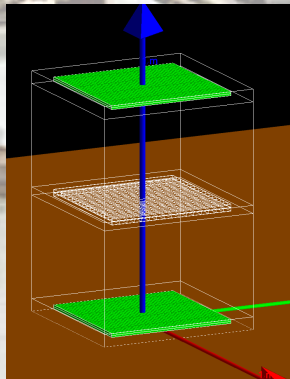
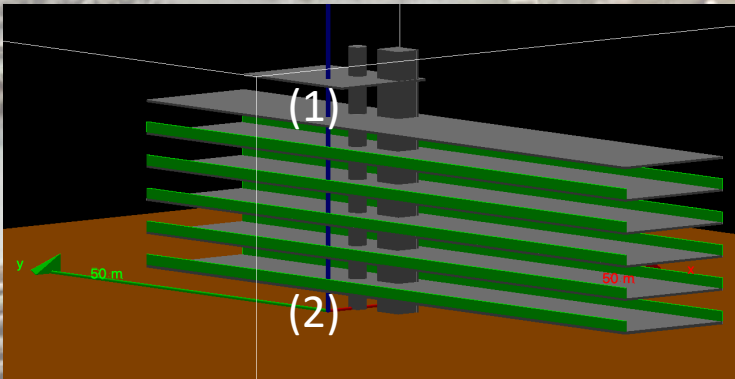
Track Selection - cuts



Track Angular Distribution & Errors



Overburden Thickness Calculation



Detector Efficiency Calculation

Theoretical Rates:

(1) - 6.27852 s^{-1}

(2) - 4.8298 s^{-1}

Experimental Rates:

(1) - $1.417 \pm 0.003 \text{ s}^{-1}$

(2) - $1.045 \pm 0.004 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Efficiency:

(1) - 0.2257 ± 0.0005

(2) - 0.2164 ± 0.0008

Experimental rate inside the Cavity

(Measured Rate/Efficiency)

1st Run: $0.721 \pm 0.007 \text{ s}^{-1}$

2nd Run: 0.727 ± 0.006

$\langle \text{Rate} \rangle = 3.246 \pm 0.020 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Overburden Characterization Curves

Two Geometries for the overburden.

(a) Rectangular &

(b) Rectangular with Semishperical Cavity

The material is soil with dE/dx for Standard Rock
The step for the curve points is 10 cm

Height (a) = $433 \pm 5 \text{ cm}$

Height (b) = $427 \pm 5 \text{ cm}$

$\langle \text{Height} \rangle = 430 \pm 5 \text{ cm}$

$\langle \text{Efficiency} \rangle = 0.22308 \pm 0.00013$

Conclusions

- ❖ Noisy Environment: High Muon rates
Surrounding materials proximity to detectors
- ❖ Long DAQ time duration for investigating the surrounding galleries
- ❖ Good opportunity to study new detectors in a confined/controlled environment

Outlook

- Develop the Simulation, implement the surrounding structures
- Acquire Open sky data to better estimate the result
- Implement the Inverse Problem workframe
- Study the behavior of water retention by the overburden by taking into account the atmospheric condition variability.
- Evaluate the performance of the new detector in the case of Volcanoes



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