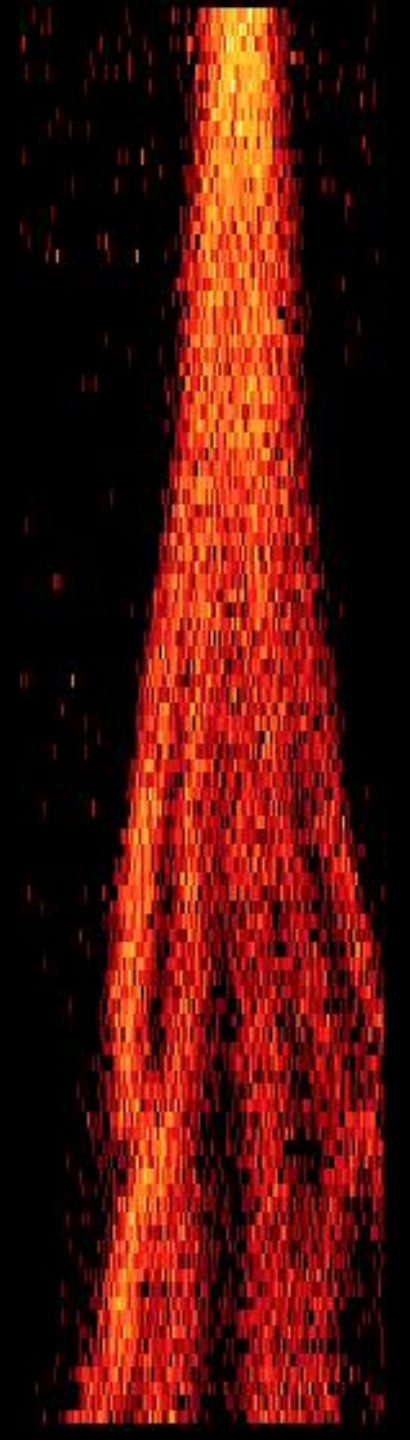


# Comparing the BGI and BWS Transverse Profiles

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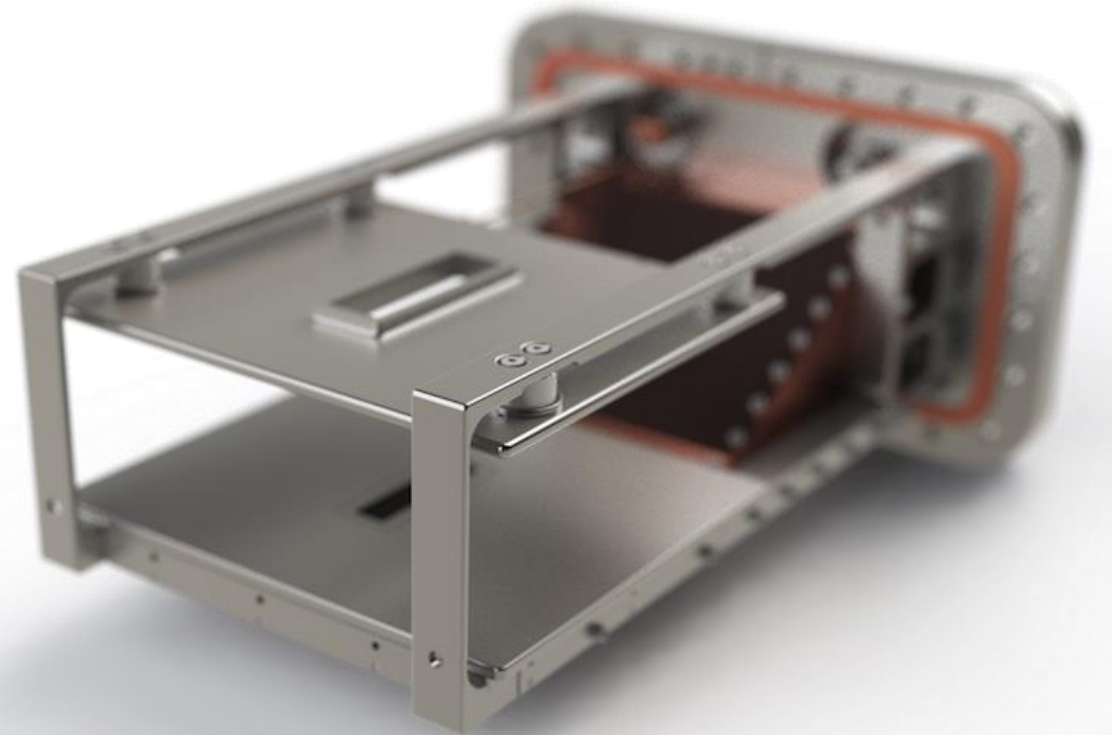
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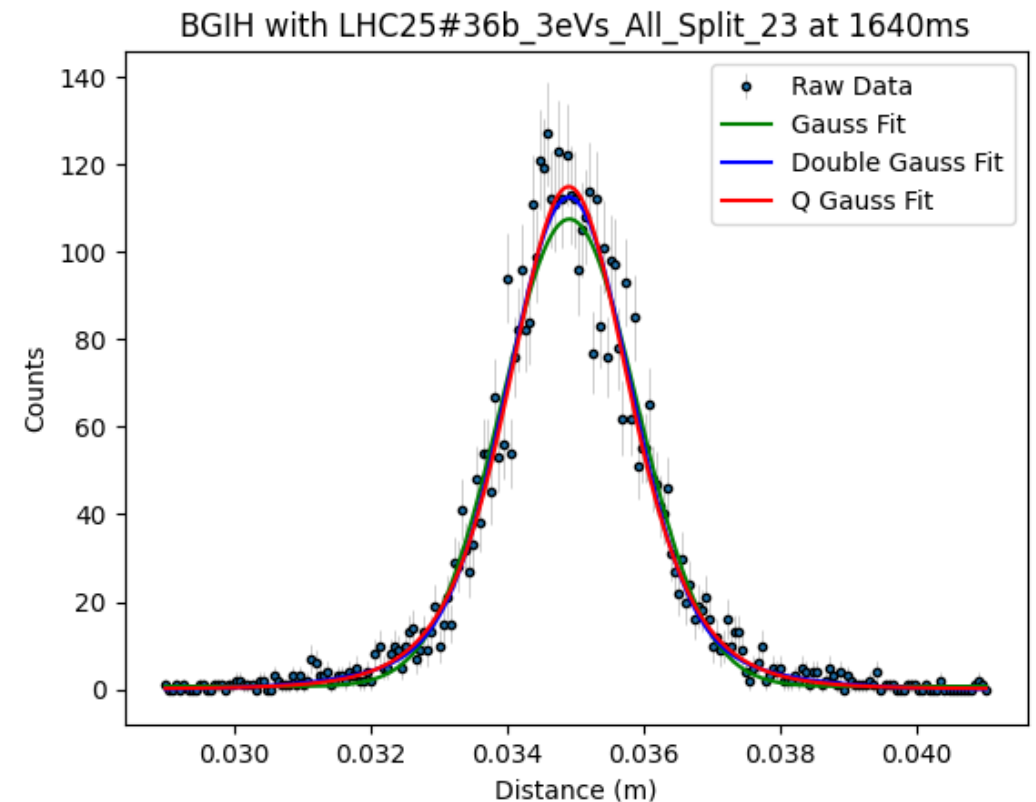
# BGI Overview

# The BGI in Brief

The **Beam Gas Ionisation Monitor (BGI)** is an Ionisation Profile Monitor (IPM) using **Timepix3** detectors, designed for **transverse profile measurements**.

## BGI Features

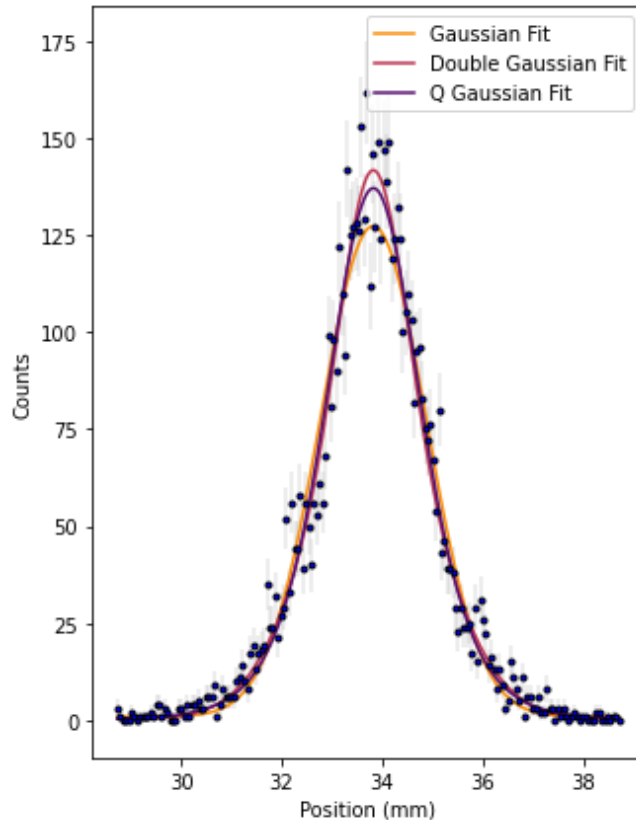
- **Non-destructive** measurement
- Beam profile is measured by counting individual ionisation electrons
- Simple uncertainty quantification with Poisson statistics
- Regular operating mode with  $\geq 100$  ns integration time, integrating over all bunches
- **Bunch-by-bunch** measurements using 1.56 ns time resolution per ionisation event
- Monitor **beam evolution** throughout the cycle with up to 1024 profiles / cycle
- Highly sensitive **beam loss monitor**
- Can **boost signal** using gas injection



# BGI Profile Examples

The following profiles are taken with a 36-bunch LHC-type beam at flat-top, with a 1.9 ms integration time, without gas injection.

## BGIH Profile



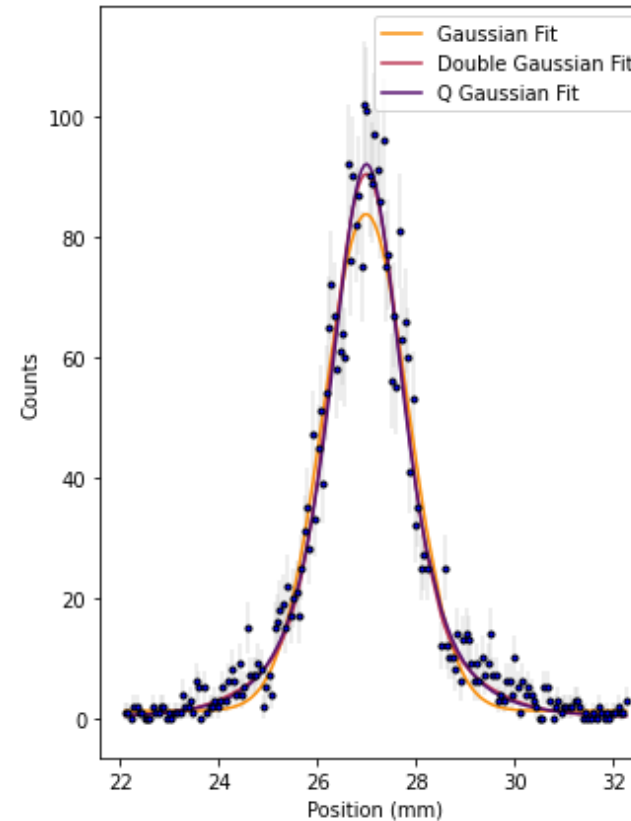
**Total Counts:**  
6603 counts

**$\sigma$ :**  
 $0.90 \pm 0.03$  mm

**Background:**  
 $0.0 \pm 0.3$  counts

**q:**  
 $1.27 \pm 0.05$

## BGIV Profile



**Total Counts:**  
3703 counts

**$\sigma$ :**  
 $0.67 \pm 0.03$  mm

**Background:**  
 $0.0 \pm 0.3$  counts

**q:**  
 $1.51 \pm 0.05$

# BGI-BWS Benchmarking

Using the PS-BGIs and PS-BWSs

# Emittance Benchmarking

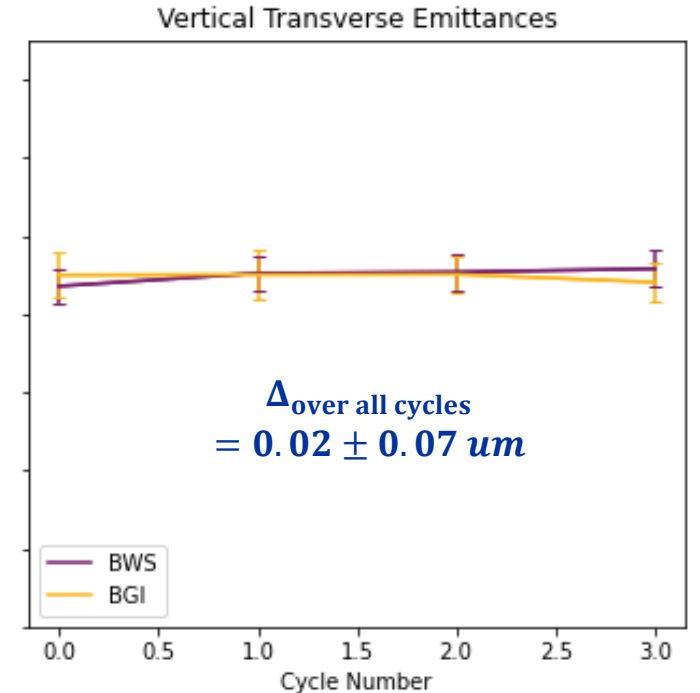
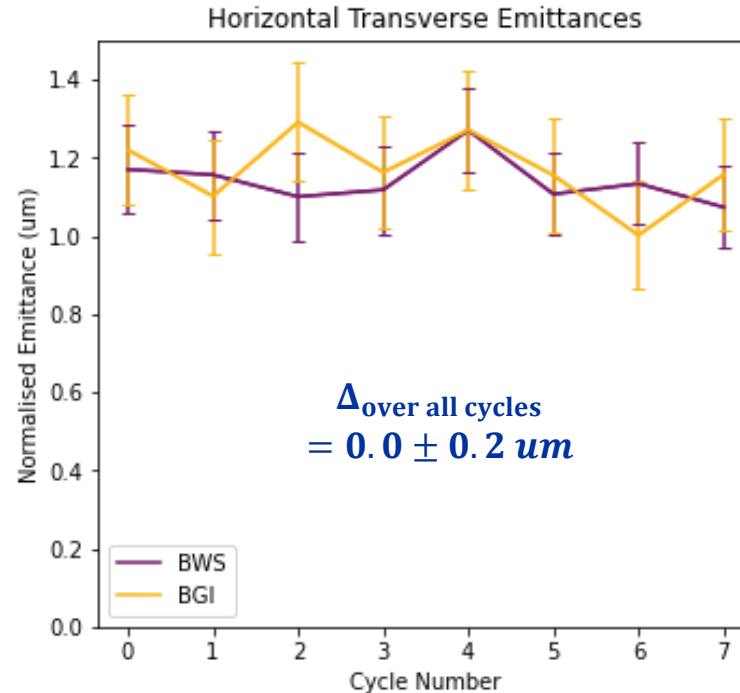
## Normalised Emittance

$$\epsilon = \frac{\beta_r \gamma_r}{\beta} \left( \sigma^2 - \left( D \frac{\Delta p}{p} \right)^2 \right)$$

Transverse beam size, measured by BGI or BWS

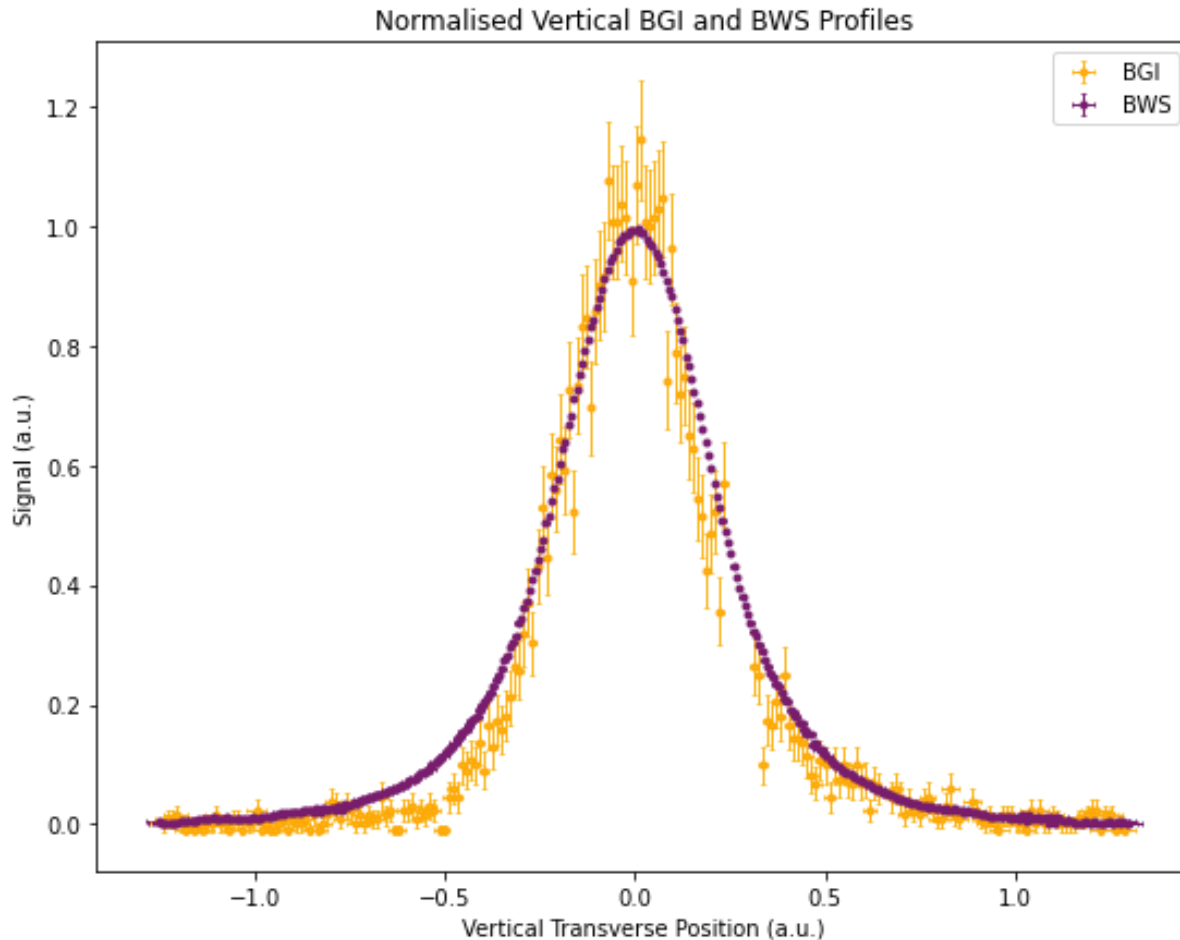
Taken from CERN optics repository, assumed 5% uncertainty

Measured with tomoscope, assumed 5% uncertainty



- Data collected with LHC-type beam at flat top with both PS-BGIs (1.9 ms integration), BWS.64.V and BWS.65.H, without gas injection
- Error of the transverse beam size is taken to be one sigma from the covariance matrix
- **Emittances of BGI and BWS agree within less than one sigma**

# Profile Distribution Comparison



- Measurement taken with 36-bunch LHC-type beam a flat top with BGIV and BWS.64.V
- BGI used 1.9 ms integration time, without gas-injection
- Zero dispersion optics in the vertical plane allows **linear scaling of the x-axis by  $1/\sqrt{\beta}$**  for comparison of BGI and BWS profiles

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\beta\epsilon + \left(D \frac{\Delta p}{p}\right)^2}$$



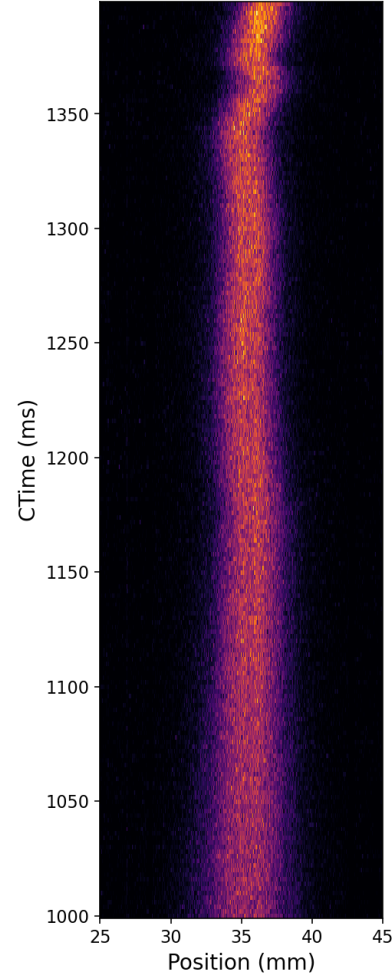
# Feature Development

# Measuring Beam Evolution

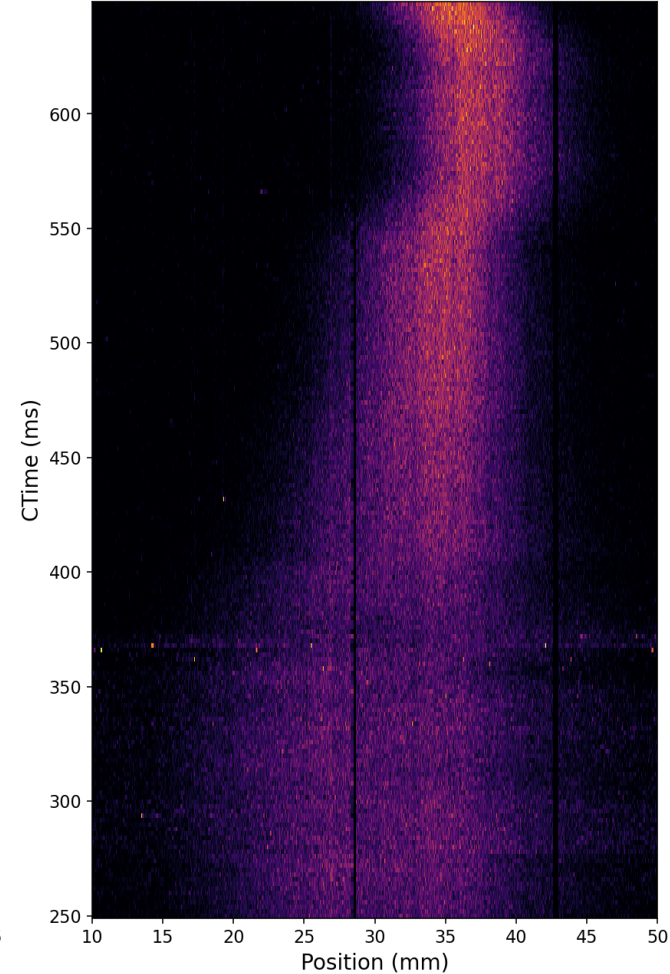
Measuring many profiles over the course of one cycle, provides information on the evolution of:

- i. Profile distribution
- ii. Transverse emittance
- iii. Beam position
- iv. Relative intensity

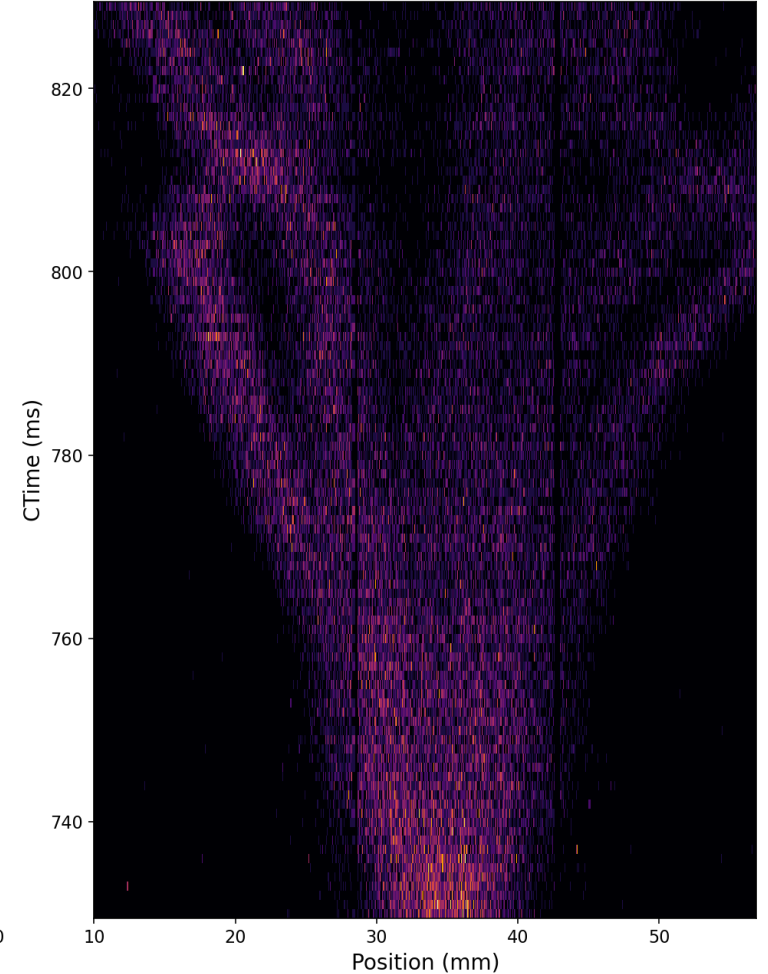
36-bunch LHC-type Beam after Transition Crossing



SFTPRO Beam after Injection with some Debunching

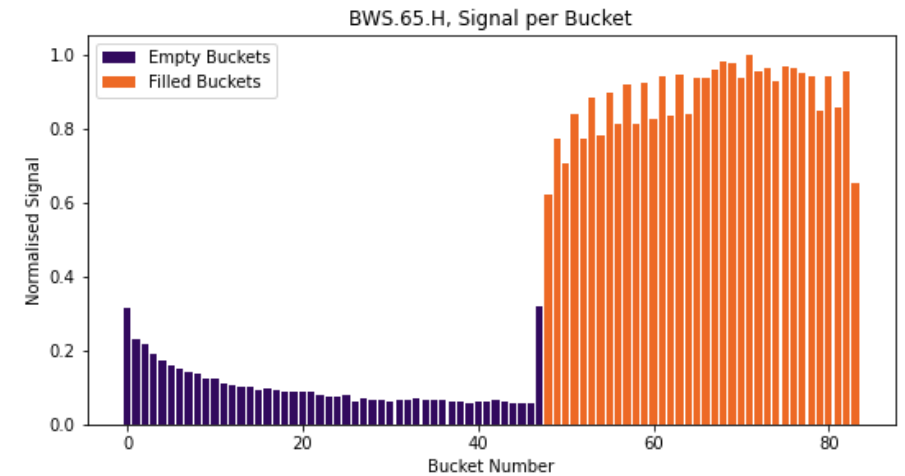
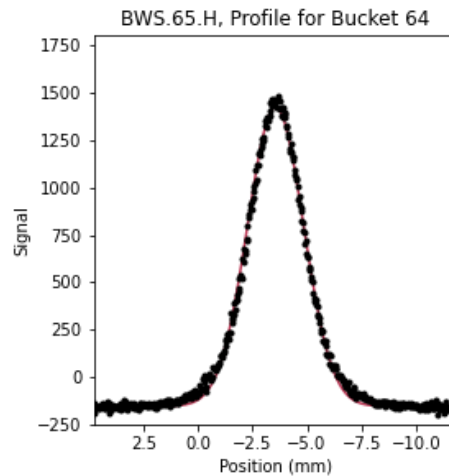
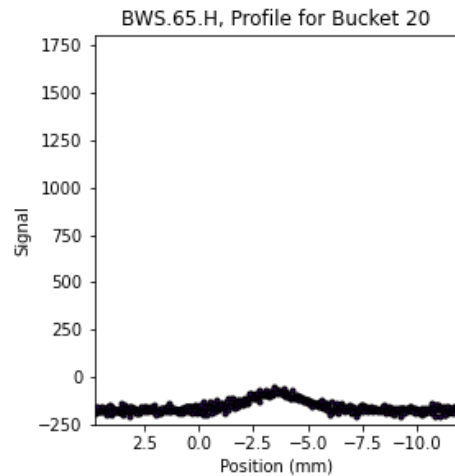
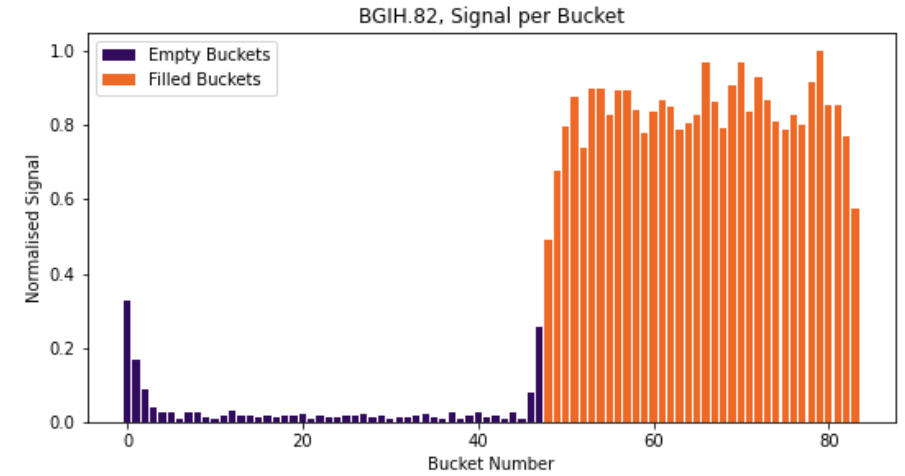
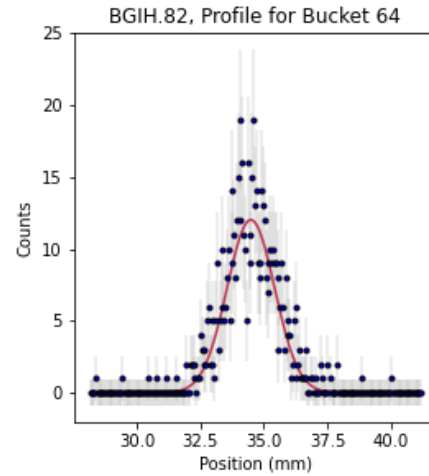
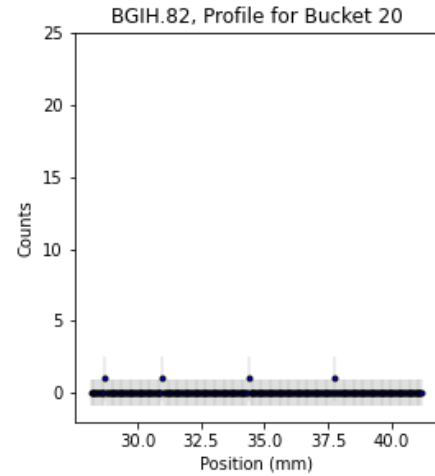


SFTPRO Beam during Island Separation and Rotation



# First-Steps Towards Bunch-by-Bunch Validation

- Used 36-bunch LHC-type beam at flat top with harmonic 84, without gas injection
- BGI operated in “RF mode”, integrating over 2000 turns
- **Results validate BGI bunch-by-bunch time structure**
- BGI signal could be increased to improve profile quality



# Tail/Halo Measurements

## Metrics for Good Tail Measurements:

1. High **signal to noise ratio**
2. High **count rate**

## Enhancing BGI Performance for Tail Measurements:

- Factors such as intensity, energy, rest gas composition and vacuum pressure affect signal

$$n \propto \sigma(Z, \beta) \times I \times P$$

Diagram illustrating the relationship between variables in the equation  $n \propto \sigma(Z, \beta) \times I \times P$ :

- Ionisation Cross-section** (purple arrow) points to  $\sigma(Z, \beta)$ .
- Beam Intensity** (orange arrow) points to  $I$ .
- Rest gas pressure** (red arrow) points to  $P$ .

- Use **gas injection** to boost signal
- Apply cluster finding algorithm to **remove any noise/beam loss** (previously demonstrated)

## An Example of BGI Performance for Tail Measurements:

Using a 36-bunch LHC-type beam at flat-top in the PS, assuming tails are events outside  $3.5 \sigma$

- **~1e3 counts / second in the tails** without gas injection
- **~5e5 counts / second in the tails** with argon gas injection and a pressure increase of  $10^2$  mbar

# Future Directions

# Vision for PS-BGI Operation

## Default Configurations

- Expert-chosen configurations for each beam type
- Operators could choose to leave the BGI **ON at all times**, set to a configuration of interest

**Ex.** 72-bunch LHC-type beam, BGI-configurations:

- Beam evolution (injection to extraction) without gas-injection
- Beam evolution (injection to extraction) with gas-injection
- Bunch-by-bunch at flat-top with gas injection
- Turn-by-turn at flat-top with gas injection

## Custom Setup Options for Studies

- Modifiable settings (integration times, number of profiles per cycle etc.) of default BGI-configurations
- Collect in **raw-data mode**, so the beam-loss removal algorithm may be applied

**Ex.** For tail studies, an operator simultaneously:

- Uses gas injection
- Operates in bunch-by-bunch mode
- Collects in raw-data mode and remove beam-loss in post-processing

## For All Setups

- Live monitoring and automatic logging of data

# Next Steps for the PS-BGI

## Overcoming Technical Challenges

### Goal #1: No expert required

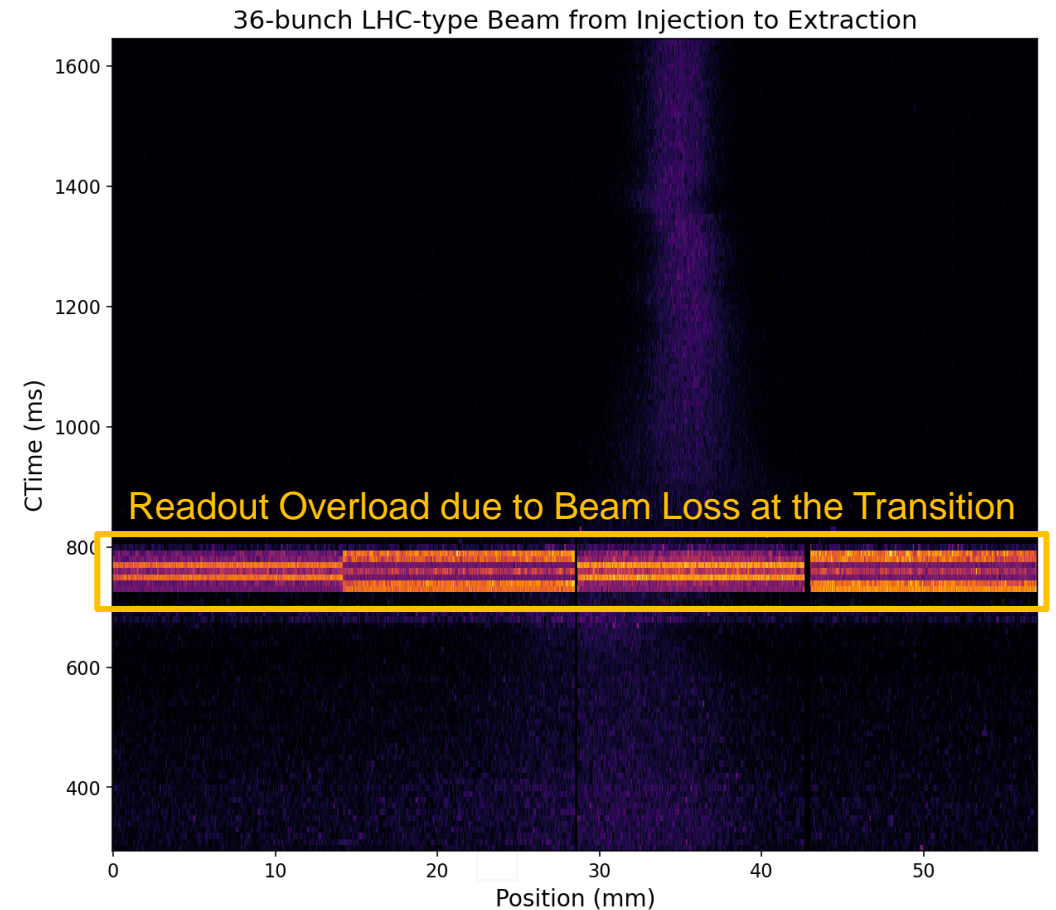
- Automate noisy pixel masking
- Determine and implement systematic calibration protocols (in progress)
- Increase robustness of Timepix3 readout electronics with front-end upgrade (in progress)

### Goal #2: Measuring from Injection to Extraction

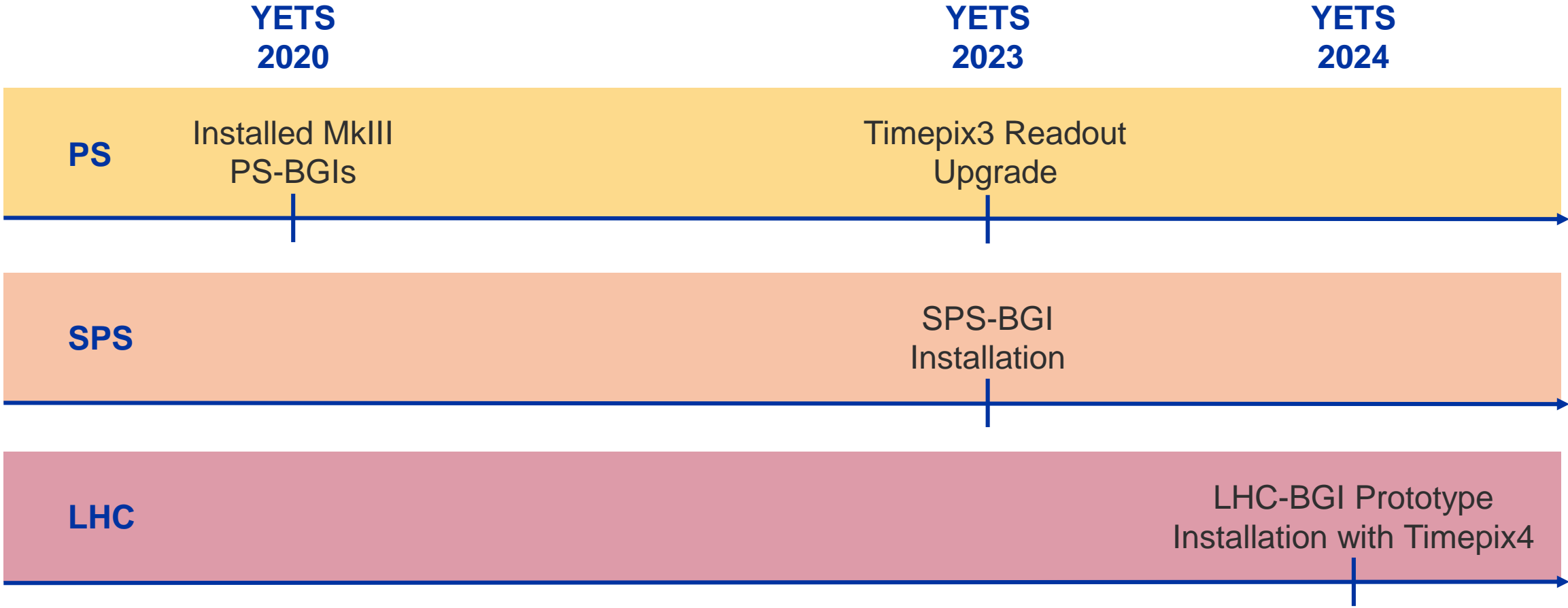
- Prevent data overload by allowing integration settings to vary over a cycle
- Have an expert determine an optimal default configuration for each beam-type

### Goal #3: Bunch-by-Bunch

- Enable offset tuning with step sizes  $< 5$  ns



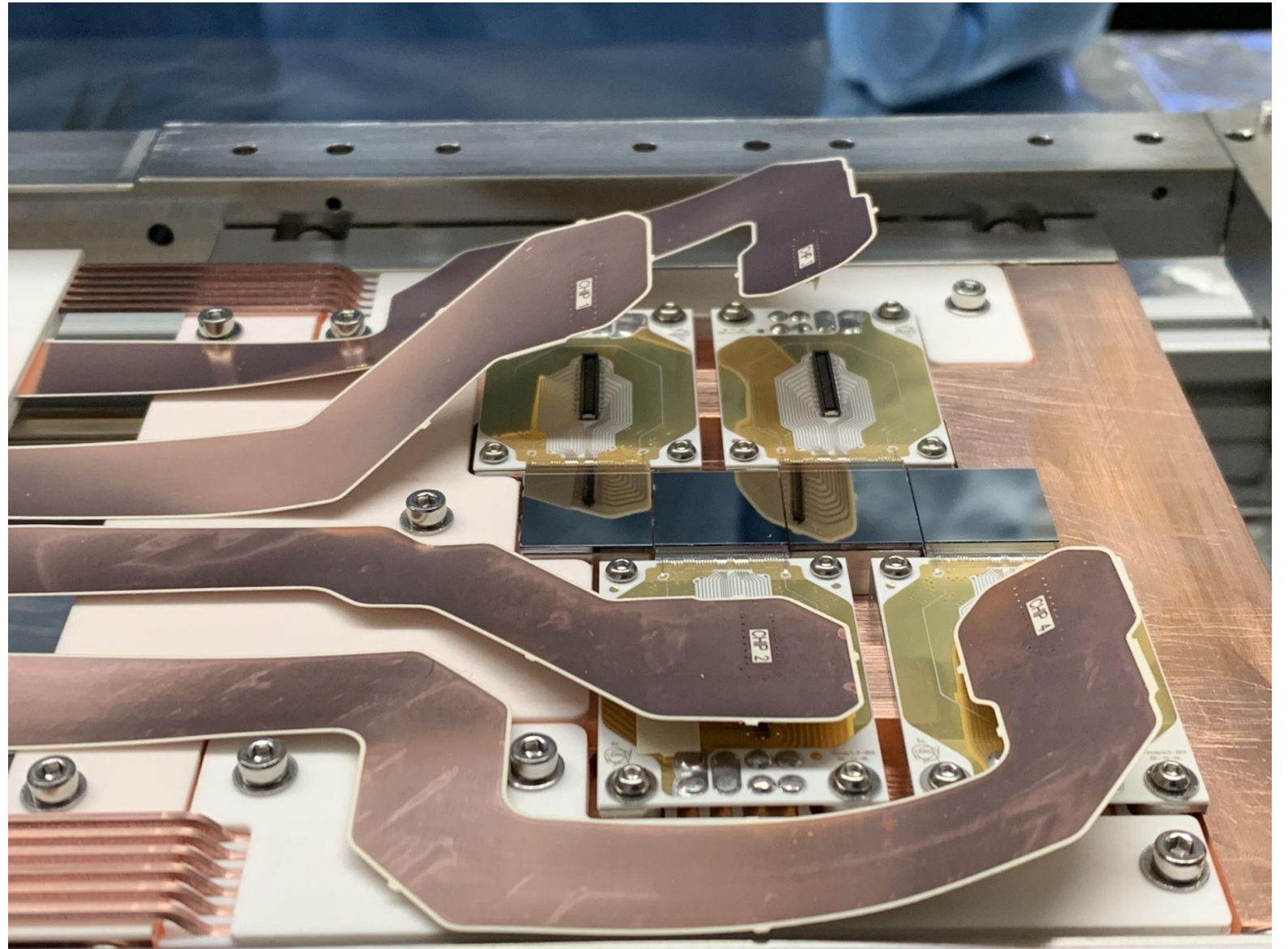
# Future Developments for the BGI Installations Along the Accelerator Chain





# Summary

- The BGI has promising features for emittance, tails/halo and transverse profile studies
- Successfully validated BGI beam profiles with BWS for LHC-type beam at flat-top
- Further development in progress for the instrument to be fully operational
- Future installations of the BGI in the SPS and LHC in the coming years



# Appendix

# Calculating the Expected Number of Ionised Electrons

## Number of Ionised Electrons:

$$n = L\sigma N \times \frac{P}{kT}$$

$L$ : detector length

$N$ : number of protons passing over the BGI

$P$ : pressure in the beam-pipe

$k$ : Boltzmann constant

$T$ : temperature

## Ionisation Cross-section:

$$\sigma = 4\pi Z^2 \frac{\hbar^2}{(mc\beta)^2} (M^2\chi + C), \quad \chi = \ln \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} - \beta^2$$

$Z$ : atomic number of beam particle

$m$ : mass of the electron

$c$ : speed of light

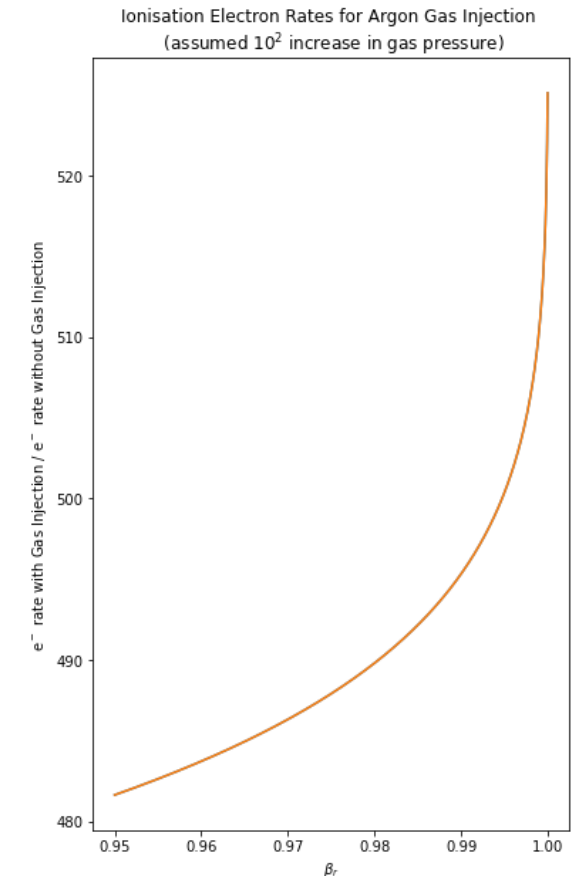
$\beta$ : beam speed over the speed of light

$M^2$ : constant dependent on rest gas composition

$C$ : constant dependent on rest gas composition

See [this document](#) from the vacuum group discussing correction factors for the ionisation cross-section equation at high energies

*Note: These equations do not account for factors that affect signal such as detector efficiency and noise*

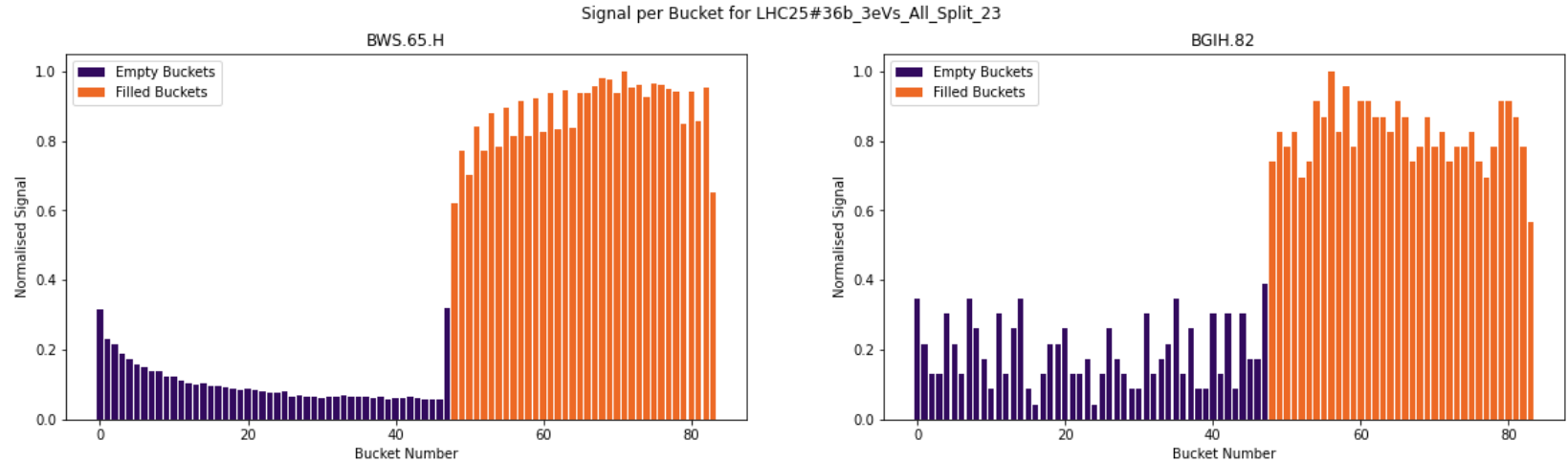


# Bunch-by-Bunch Signal Metrics

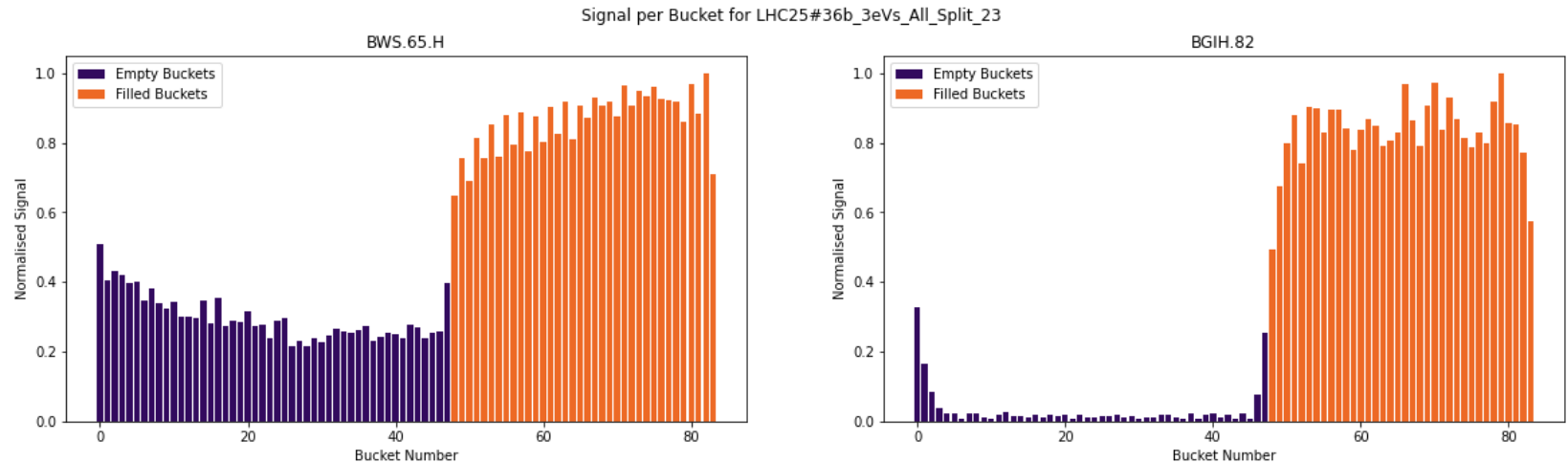
- Different metrics for signal give us slightly different results
- Difference can be attributed to **BWS** linear background with a slope
- Difference can be attributed to noise picked up by **BGI** pixel detectors, which result in **outliers** in the profile

*Note:  $y$  in the equations on the right denotes the array of  $y$ -values that forms the transverse profile associated with each bucket*

$$Signal = \max\{y\} - \min\{y\}$$



$$Signal = \sum (y_i - \min\{y\})$$

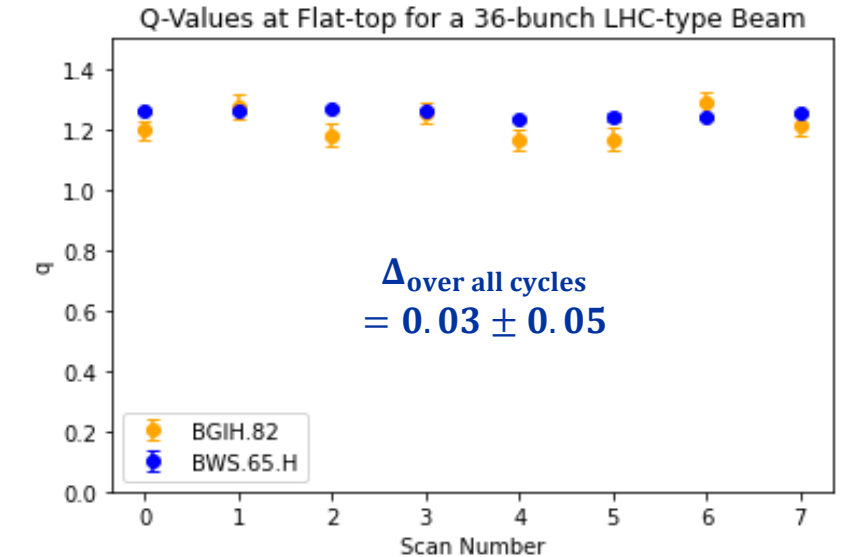
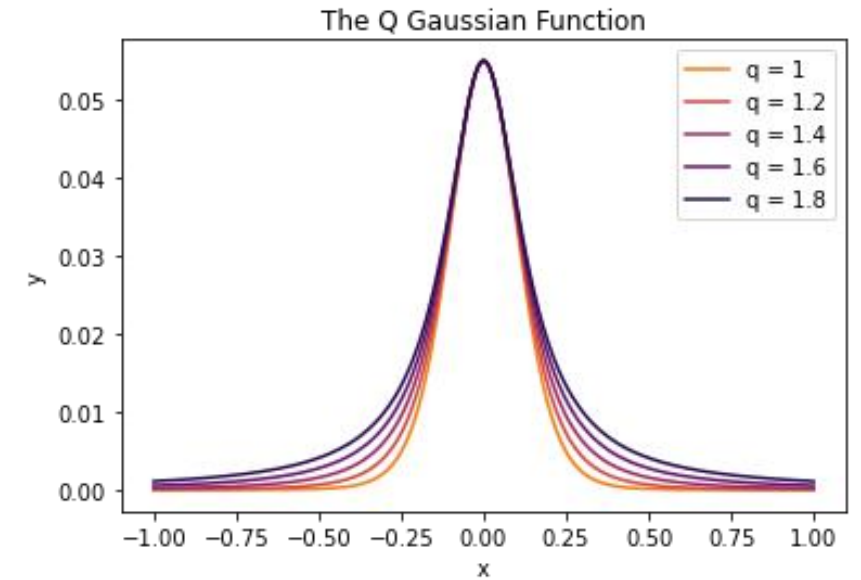


# The Q Gaussian

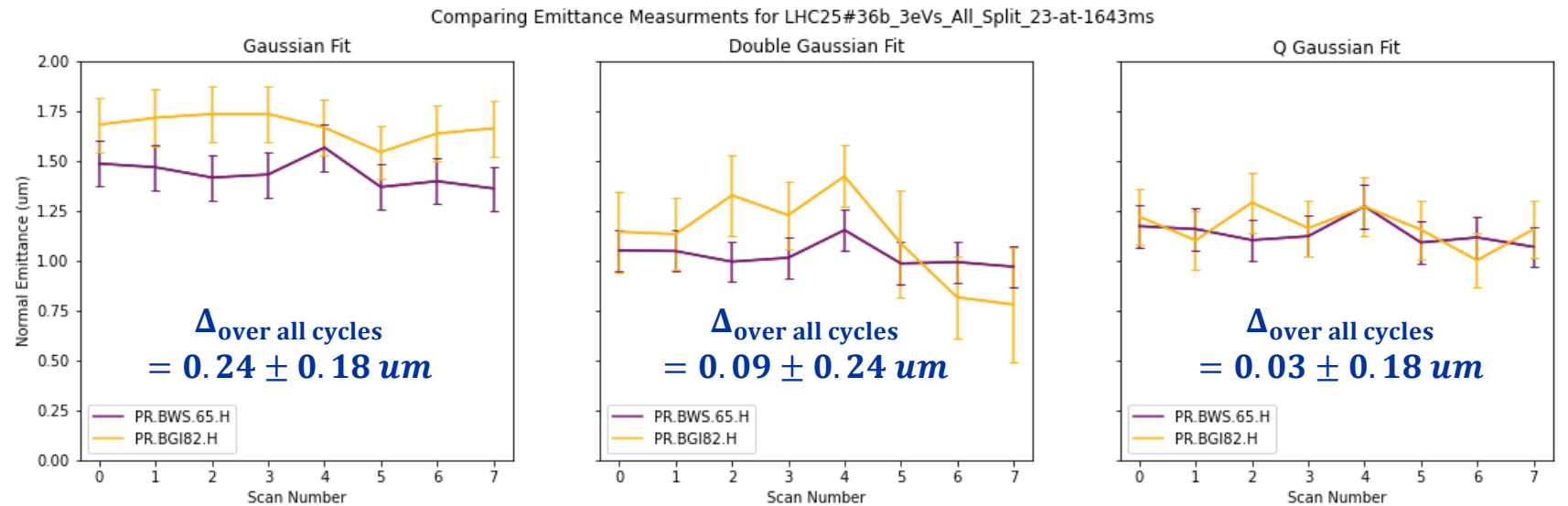
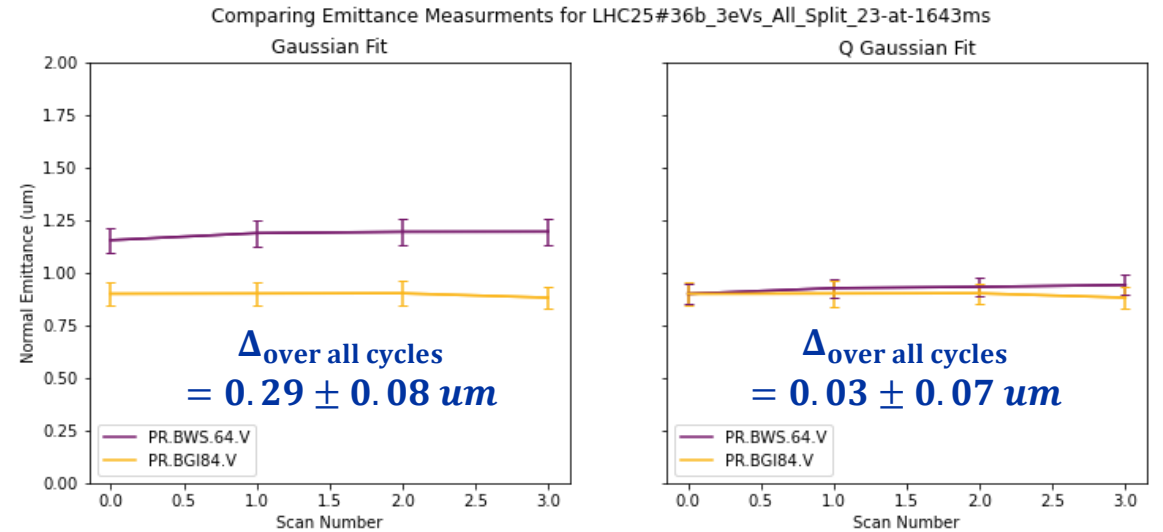
Q Gaussian Function:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \left| 1 - \frac{1}{2}(1-q) \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \right|^{\frac{1}{1-q}}$$

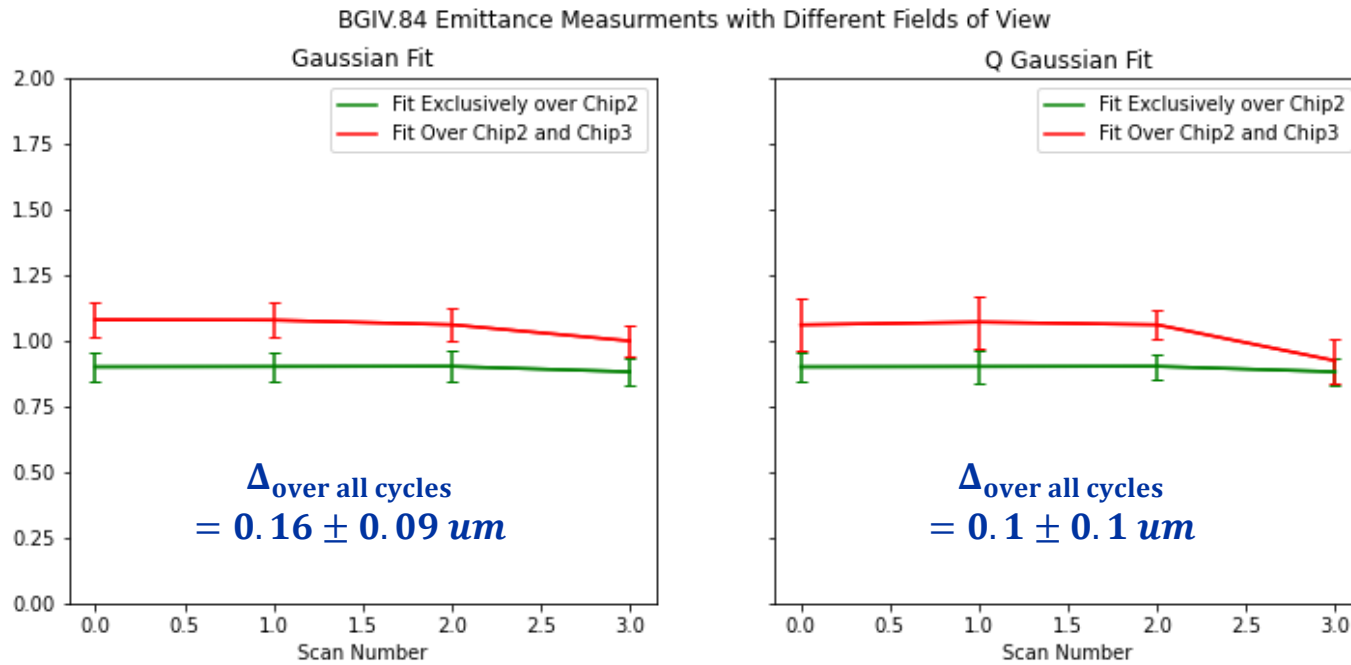
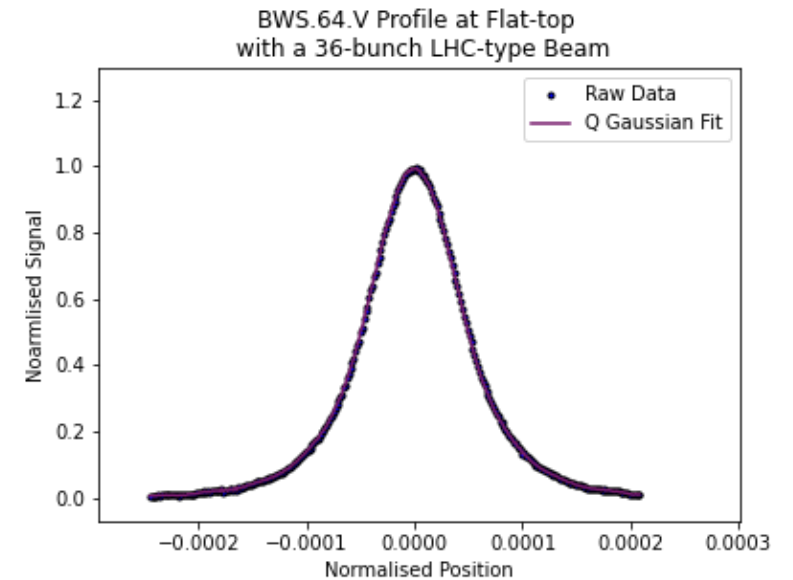
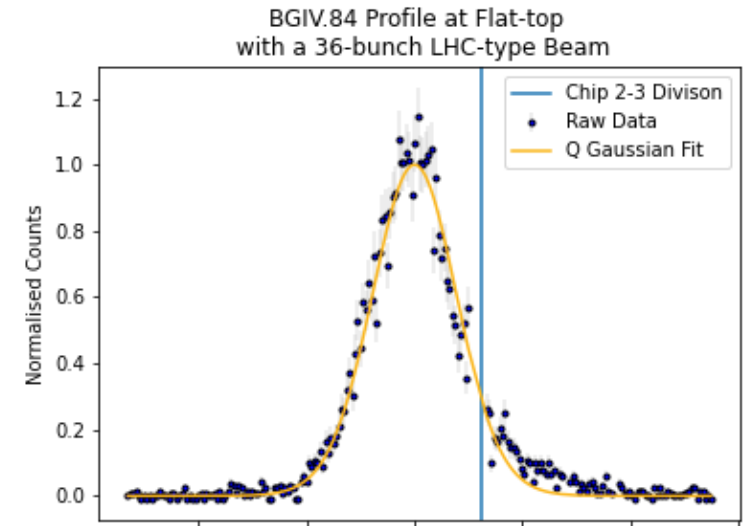
- Provides a more accurate model of the data
- Q value can be used to quantify the tail population



# Comparing Emittances with Different Fit Types

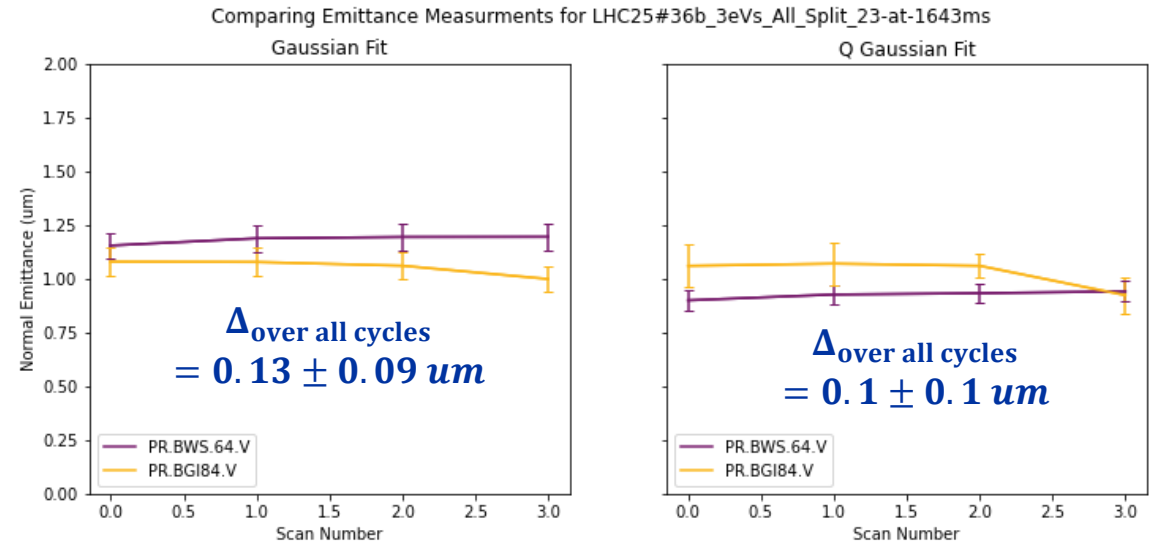


# Investigating the Asymmetry on the BGV



# Investigating the Asymmetry in the Vertical BGI

## Fitting over Both Chip2 and Chip3



## Fitting Exclusively Over Chip2

