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# Proposal for phase 1 of the MUonE experiment

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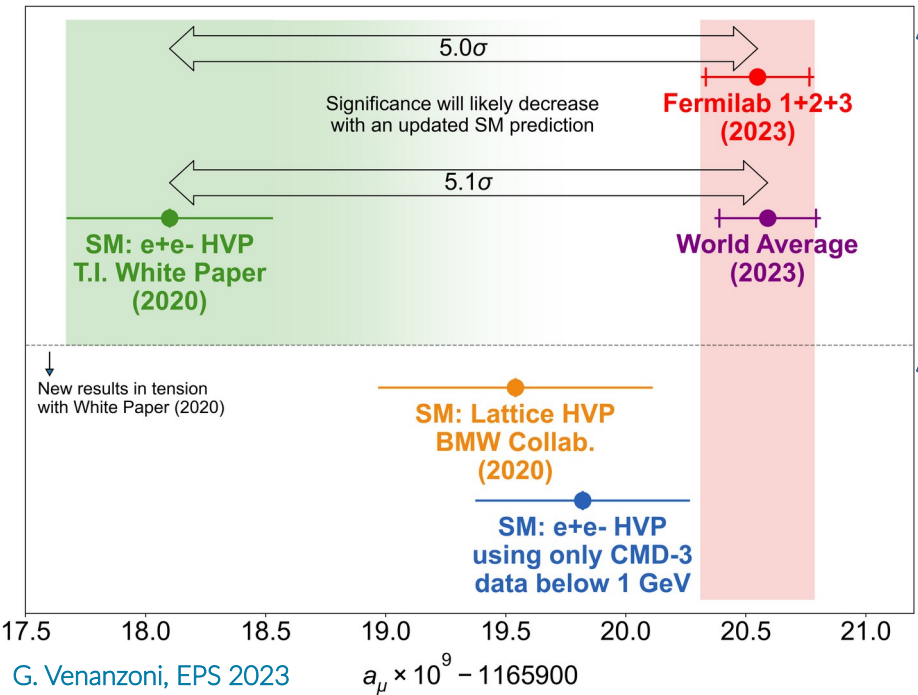


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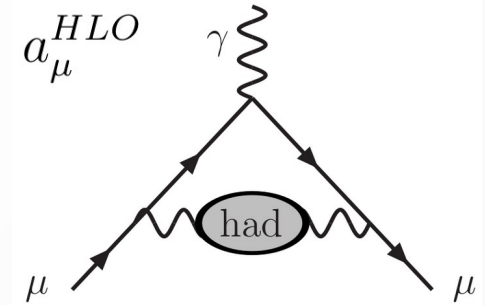
- The MUonE experiment
- Test Beam 2023
- Run 2025: MUonE phase 1.  
Request for 4 weeks of running time  
at the M2 beam line
- Conclusions

# Muon g-2: current status



Comparison with WP20

New results after WP20



Main source of uncertainty of the theoretical prediction

A clarification of the theoretical prediction is needed.

Disclaimer on new results after WP20:

- Plot is purely for demonstration purposes. It does not represent an update from the g-2 Theory Initiative.
- Lattice HVP taken from [A. Keshavarzi, Lattice 2023 talk](#).
- Prediction from CMD3: substitute TI White Paper by CMD3 only for [0.33-1] GeV (see [A. Keshavarzi, Lattice 2023](#)).

# The MUonE experiment



New independent evaluation of  $a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}$ , based on the measurement of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$ :  
hadronic contribution to the running of the electromagnetic coupling constant

Phys. Lett. B 746 (2015), 325

Eur. Phys. J. C 77.3 (2017), 139

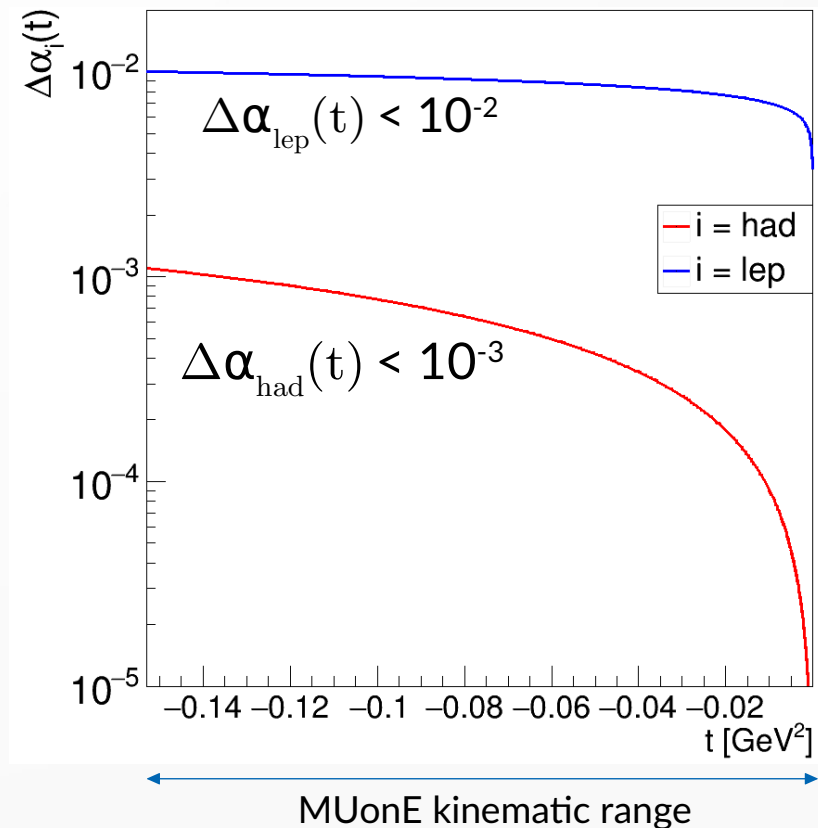
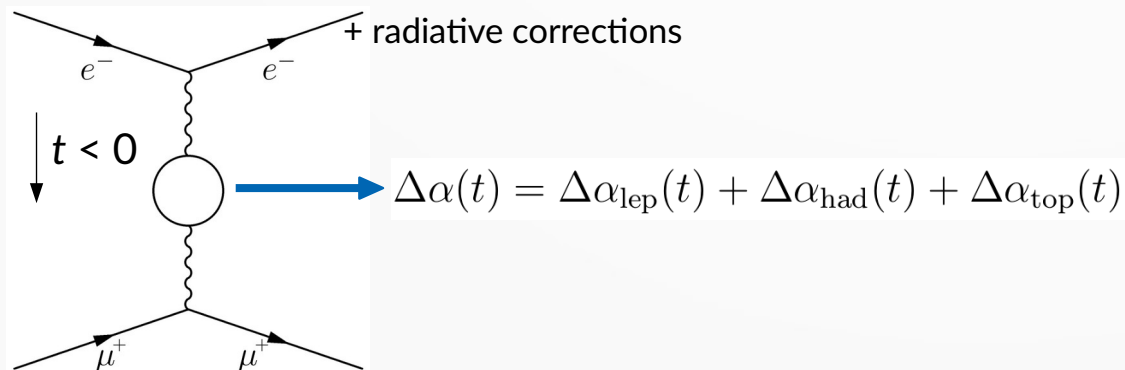
Letter of Intent CERN-SPSC-2019-026

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = \frac{\alpha_0}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}[t(x)]$$

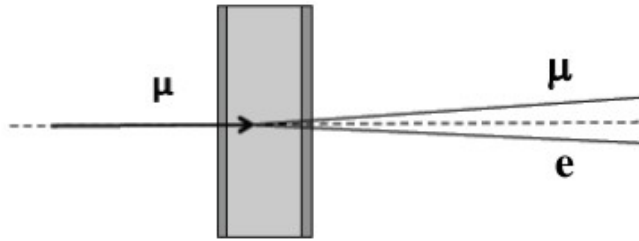
$$t(x) = \frac{x^2 m_\mu^2}{x-1} < 0$$

Phys. Rep. C 3 (1972), 193

Extraction of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$  from the *shape*  
of the  $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$  differential cross section



# The $\mu$ - $e$ elastic scattering



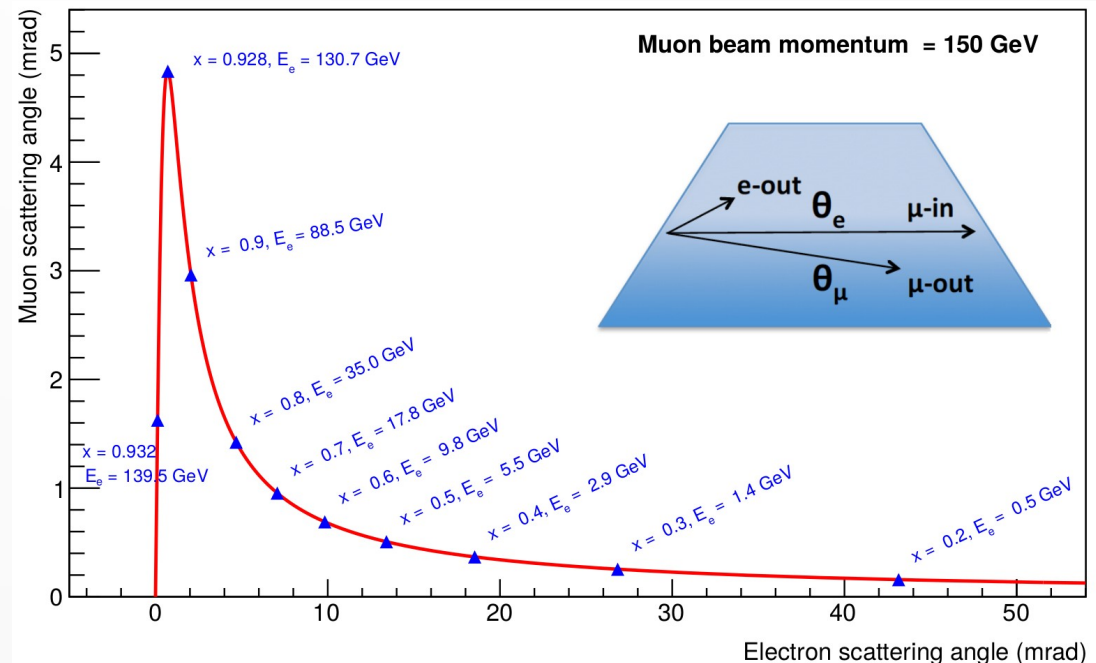
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{data}}(\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}})}{d\sigma_{\text{MC}}(\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}} = 0)} \sim 1 + \frac{2\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)}{\text{To be measured}}$$

From theoretical calculation (>NNLO needed)

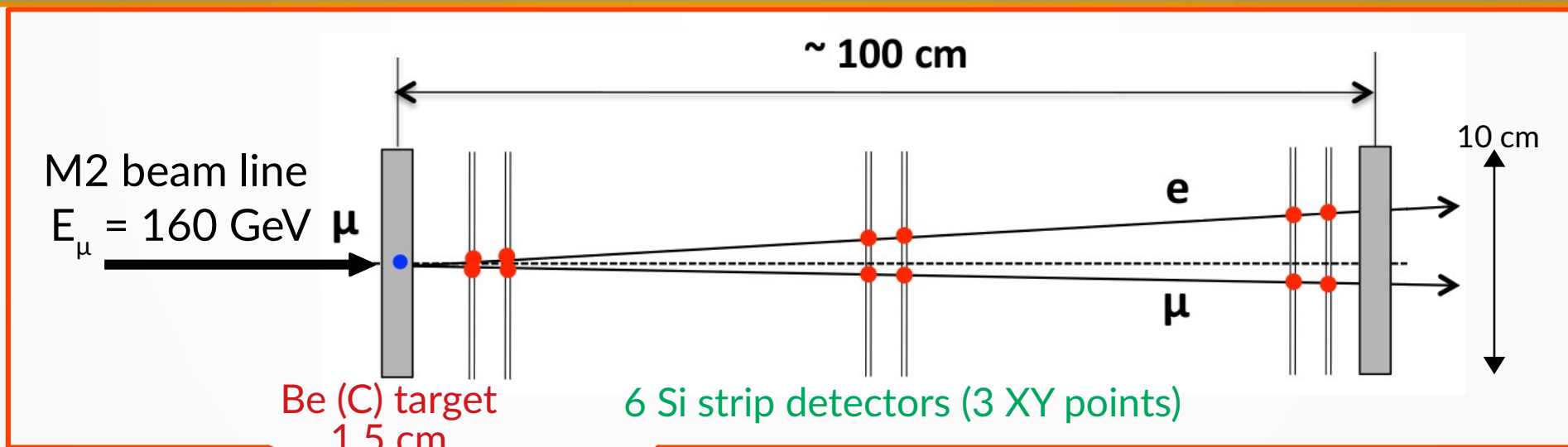
Great effort of the theory community:

Report of the MUonE Theory Initiative  
Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 591 (2020)

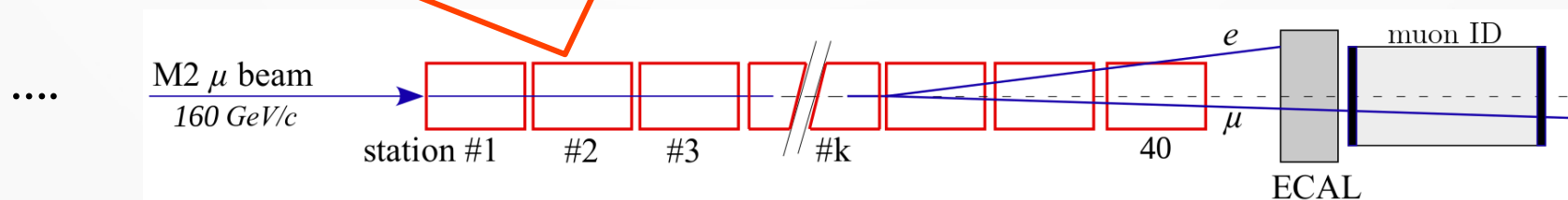
- Angular measurement: extract  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$  from the 2D distribution  $(\theta_{\mu}, \theta_e)$ .
- Correlation between  $\theta_{\mu}$  and  $\theta_e$  allows to select elastic events and reject background (main source:  $\mu N \rightarrow \mu N e^+e^-$ ).
- Boosted kinematics:  $\theta_{\mu} < 5$  mrad,  $\theta_e < 32$  mrad.



# The experimental apparatus



BMS



After LS3:  
full apparatus  
with 40 stations

Final goal:  
provide a measurement of  $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLO}}$  competitive  
with the current results ( $\sim 0.6\%$  precision)



# Staged approach towards the full experiment



- 2017: dedicated test beam to study multiple scattering.
- 2018: test beam to study elastic scattering properties and event selection.
- 2021: first joint test CMS-MUonE  
with a few 2S modules prototypes (parasitic).
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  - test with 1 tracking station.
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# Tracker: CMS 2S modules

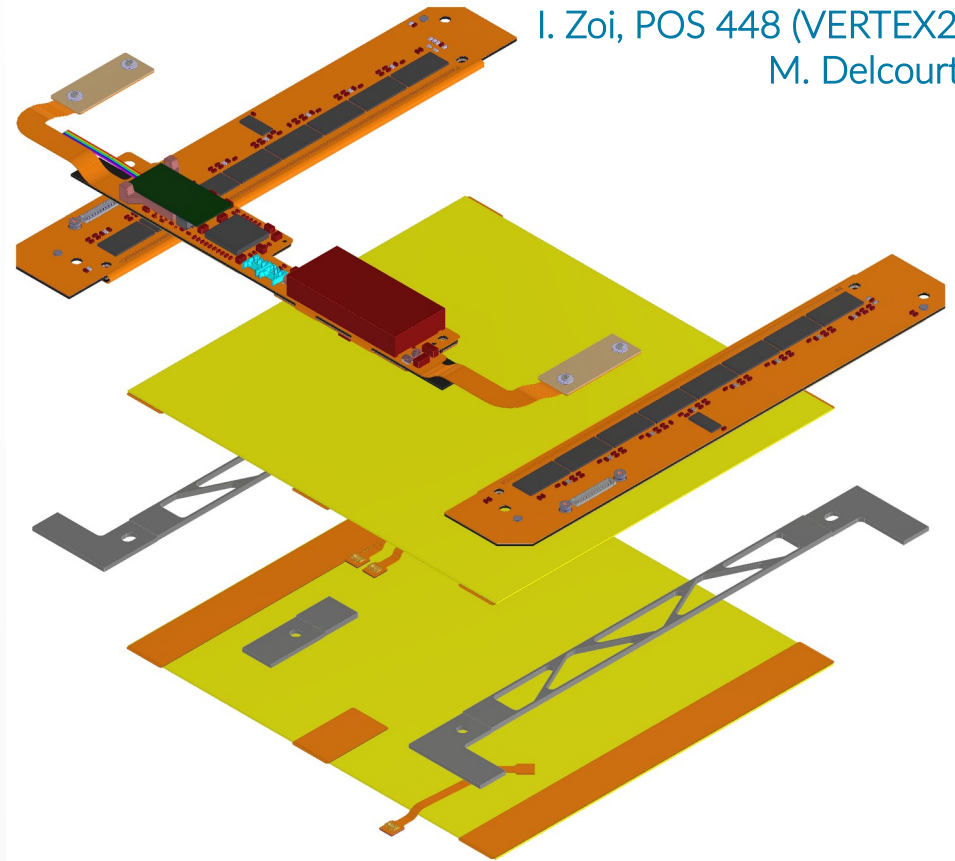


Silicon strip sensors developed for the CMS-Phase2 upgrade.  
Pre-production started in 2024.

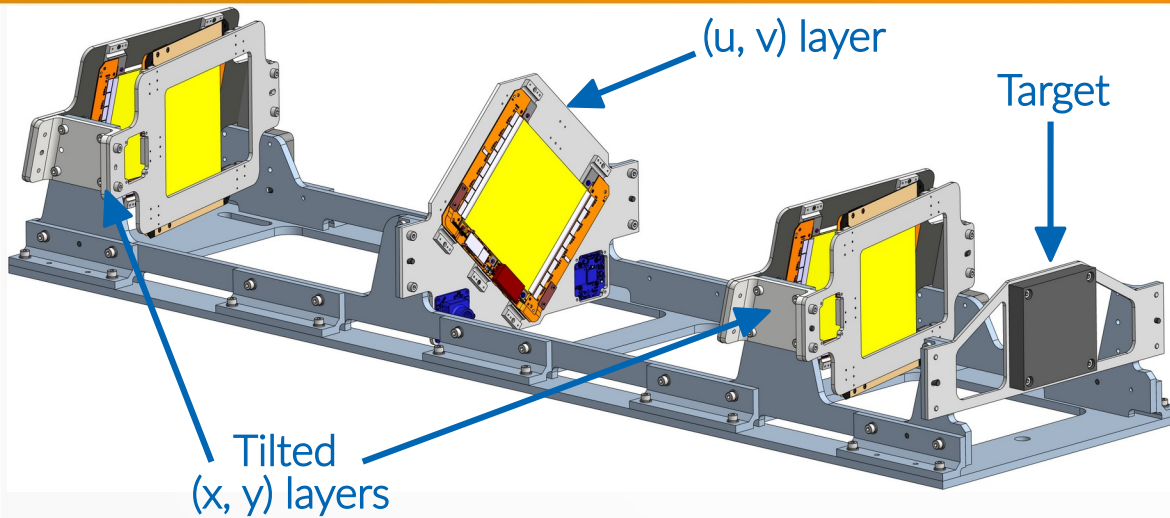
Two close-by strip sensors reading the same coordinate and read out by the same electronics

- Readout rate: 40 MHz.  
Adequate to sustain the maximum beam rate of ~50 MHz.
- Area:  $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$  (~90  $\text{cm}^2$  active).
- Digital readout, 90  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch:  
~26  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution.
- Thickness:  $2 \times 320 \mu\text{m}$ .

TDR CMS Tracker Phase2 Upgrade  
I. Zoi, POS 448 (VERTEX2023), 021  
M. Delcourt, BTTB12



# Tracking station

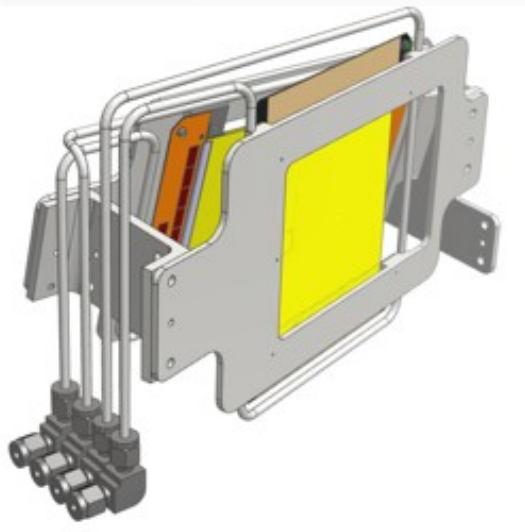


Stringent request:  
relative position within a station  
must be stable  $< 10 \mu\text{m}$ .



Low CTE material: INVAR  
(CTE  $\sim 1.2 \text{ ppm/K}$ )

Laser holographic system  
to monitor stability.

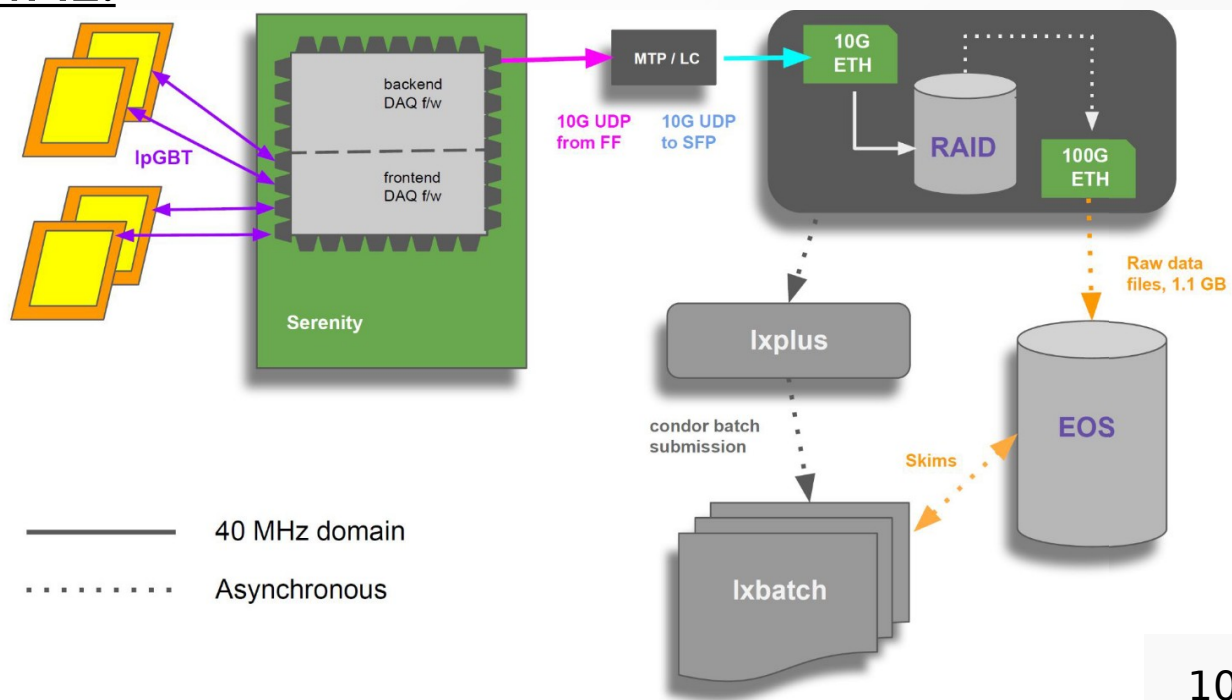


- (x, y) layers tilted by 233 mrad:  
improve hit resolution.
- (u, v) layers: solve reconstruction ambiguities.

# DAQ system

Frontend control and readout via Serenity board  
(developed for the CMS-Phase2 upgrade).

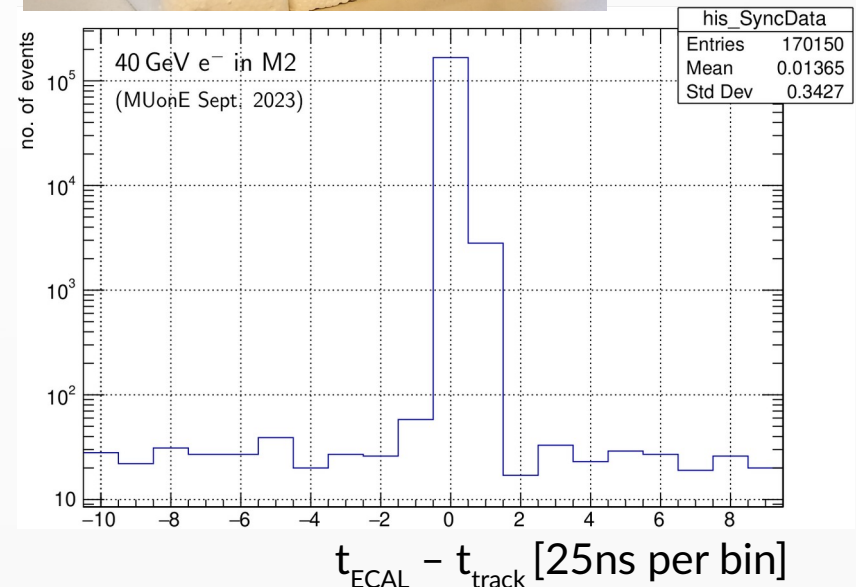
- M2 beam asynchronous to the reference clock.
- Triggerless readout @40MHz.
- Event aggregator on FPGA (+ online event filtering in 2025).
- Further data aggregation on the PC.
- Transmission to EOS into ~1GB files.



# Calorimeter



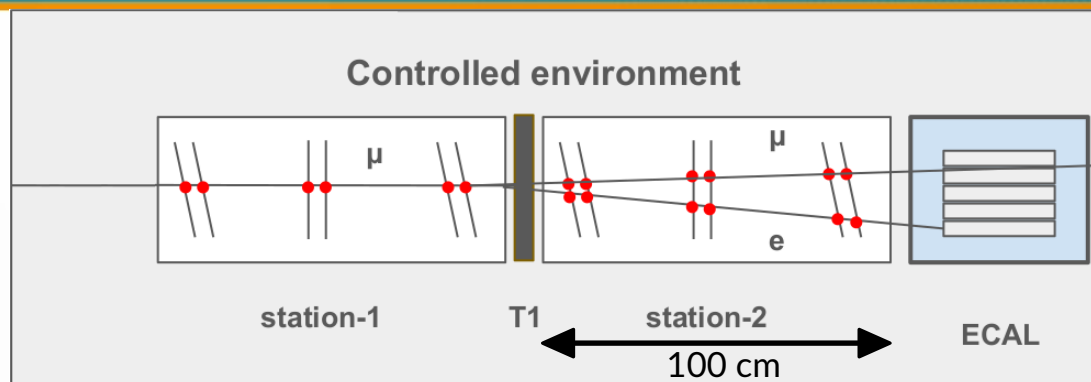
- 5x5 PbWO<sub>4</sub> crystals, used in the CMS ECAL:
  - area: 2.85 × 2.85 cm<sup>2</sup>;
  - length: 23 cm (~25 X<sub>0</sub>).
- Total area: ~14 × 14 cm<sup>2</sup>.
- Readout: 10x10 mm<sup>2</sup> APD.
- Integration in the main DAQ @40 MHz achieved at the end of Test Beam 2023.
- ECAL commissioning in high muon rate environment must be completed.





# Test Beam 2023 (3 weeks Aug/Sep)

- 2 tracking stations;
- 1 graphite target (2–3 cm thickness);
- ECAL.



## Achievements:

- Demonstrated continuous readout @40 MHz.
- 350 TB raw data recorded to disk:
  - 3 cm (2 cm) target:  
~1(2) × 10<sup>8</sup> elastic events;
- ECAL integrated in the DAQ @40 MHz in the final part of the run.
- Achieved online tracking on FPGA.

- Test the detector performance.
- Test the reconstruction algorithms and event selection.

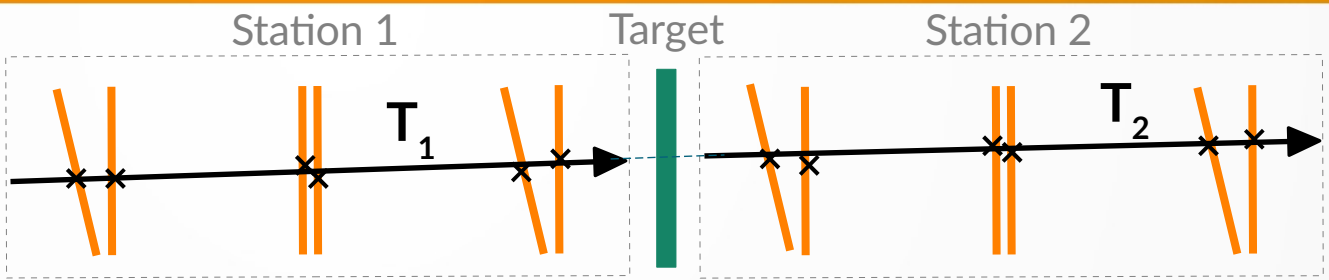
## Work in progress:

- Study the background processes and the main sources of systematic error.
- Demonstration measurement:  $\Delta\alpha_{lep}(t)$  with  $O(5\%)$  stat. accuracy.

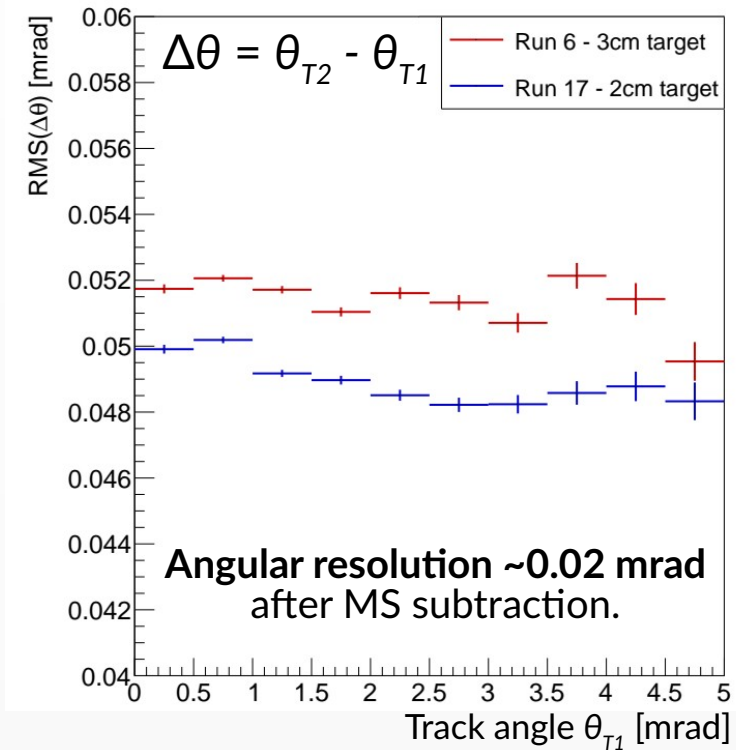
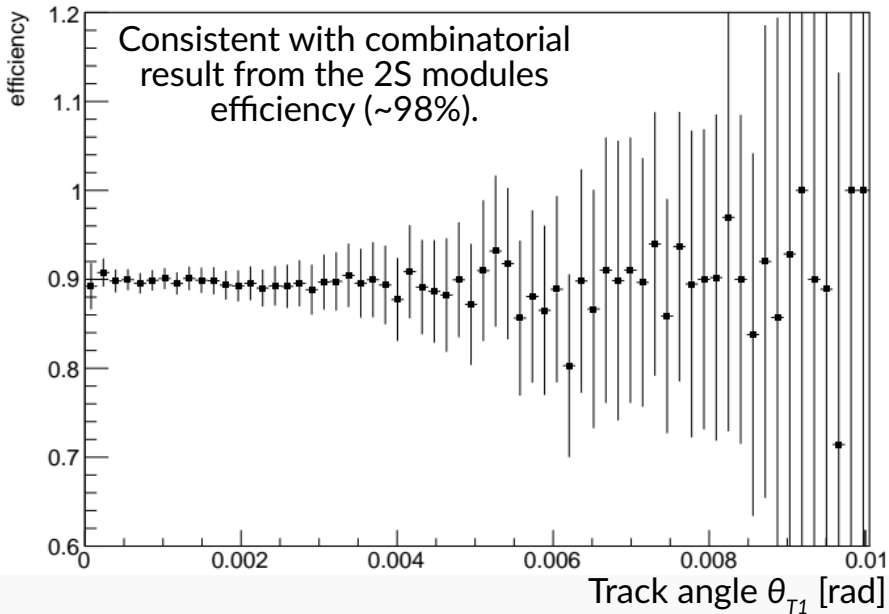
# TB 2023 - tracking performance: efficiency and angular resolution



Select events with single passing muons.

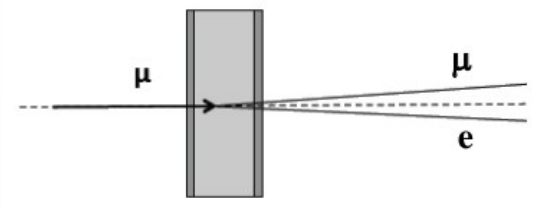
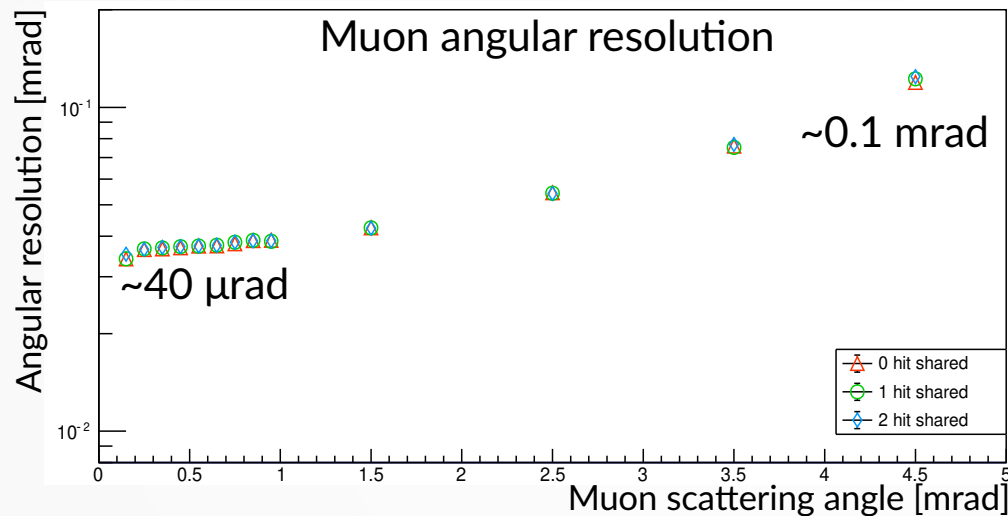


$$\text{Tracking efficiency} = \frac{N(T_2 \cdot T_1)}{N(T_1)}$$

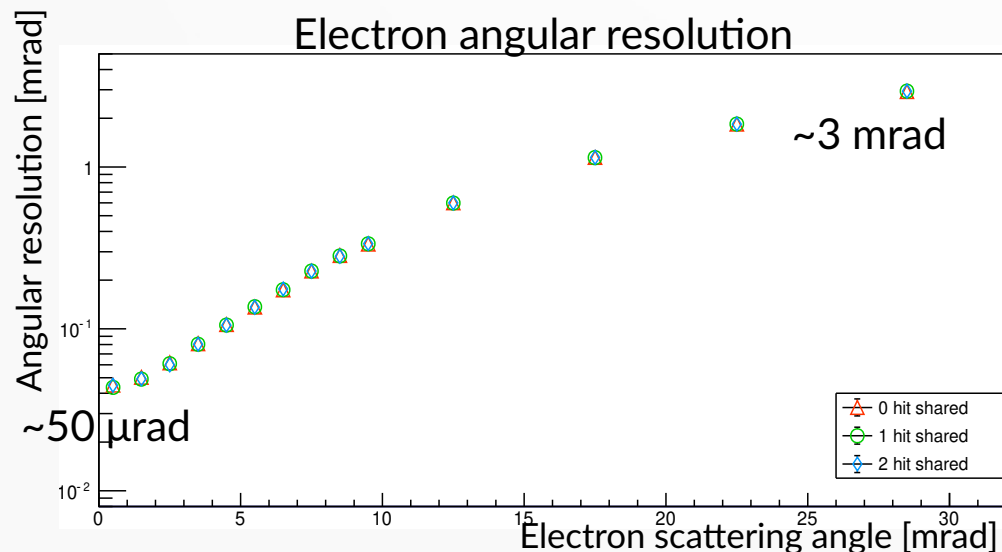




# TB 2023 - MC performance: angular resolution of scattered particles



- Compare track reconstruction with MC truth.
- Muon angle:  $\sim 40 \mu\text{rad}$  resolution for small scattering angles.
- Electron angle: stronger impact of MS. Resolution is  $\sim 3 \text{ mrad}$  for large scattering angles ( $E_e \sim 1-2 \text{ GeV}$ ).

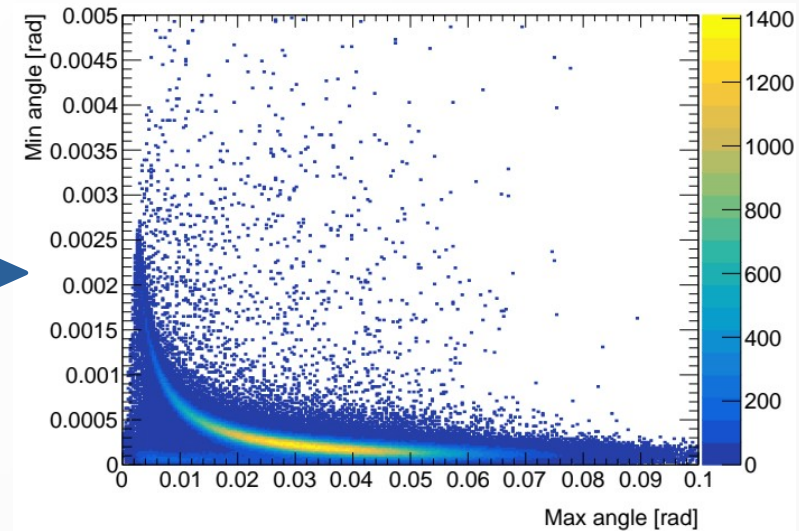
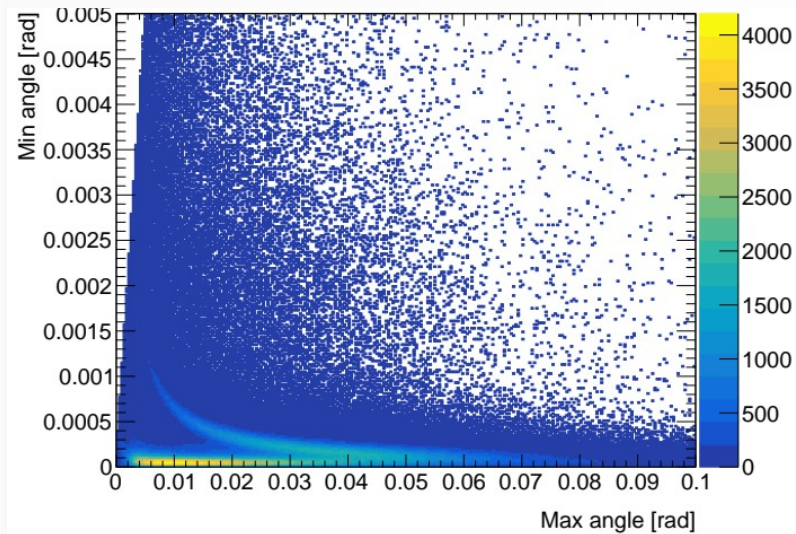


Work in progress:  
Data / MC comparison.

- Single  $\mu_{in}$  candidate.
- $\mu_{out}, e_{out}$  pair candidate.

## Initial selection

- Loose  $\chi^2_{vtx}$  cut.
- $|z_{vtx} - z_{target}| < 3$  cm.
- Acoplanarity cut (elastic events are planar).



## Work in progress:

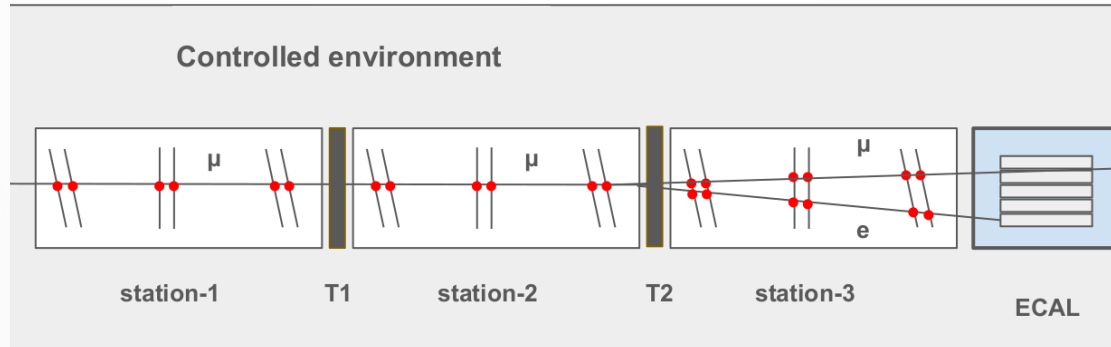
- Exploit dedicated MC generators to study the backgrounds:
  - Signal generator: exact NLO + approximated NNLO.
  - Pair production generator: tree level.
- Study the main sources of systematic error using tracker data:
  - Angular intrinsic resolution;
  - Beam energy scale.

# Run 2025: motivations



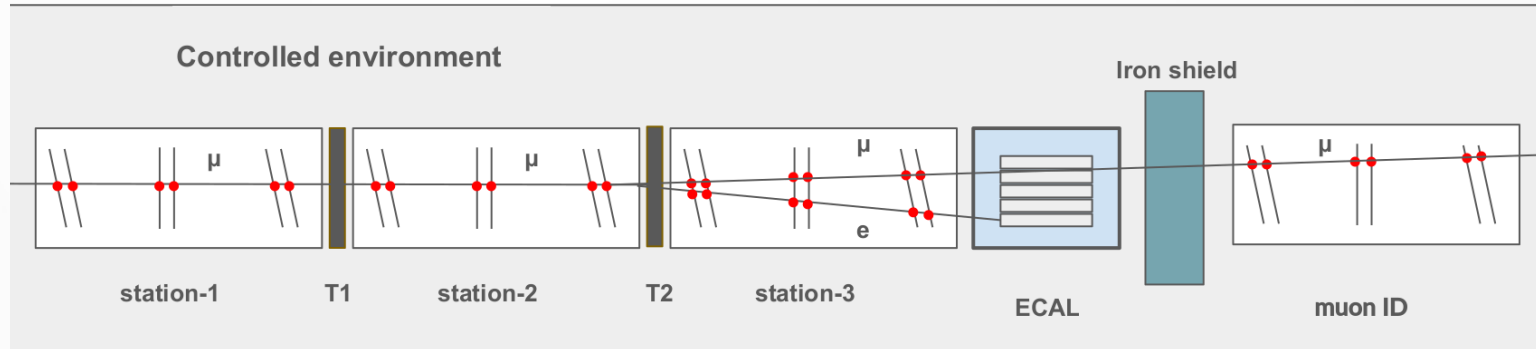
- The apparatus used in 2023 does not represent the complete detector foreseen for the final experiment:
  - No BMS;
  - No muon ID;
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- In 2025 MUonE requests **4 weeks** of data taking to run with a scaled version of the complete apparatus, including all the detector components.

# Run 2025: the apparatus



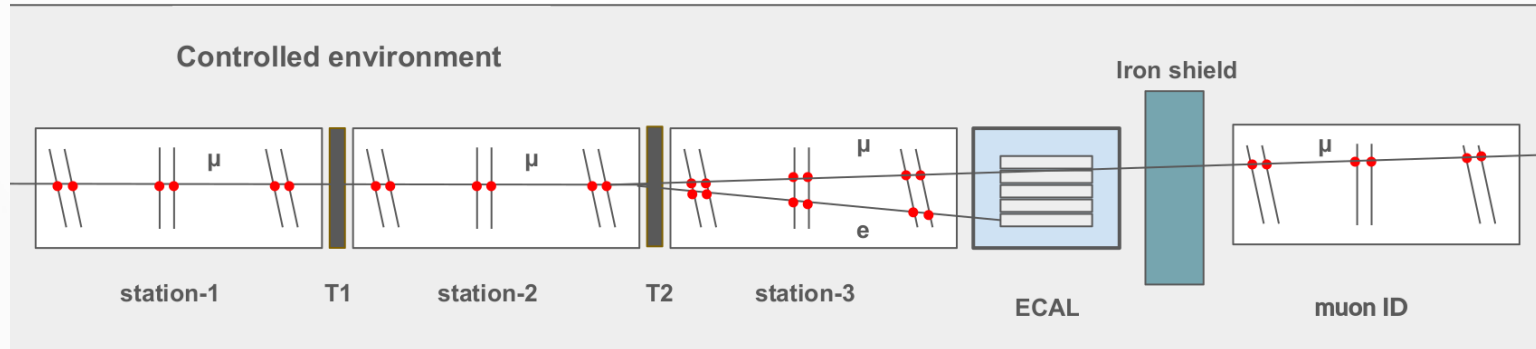
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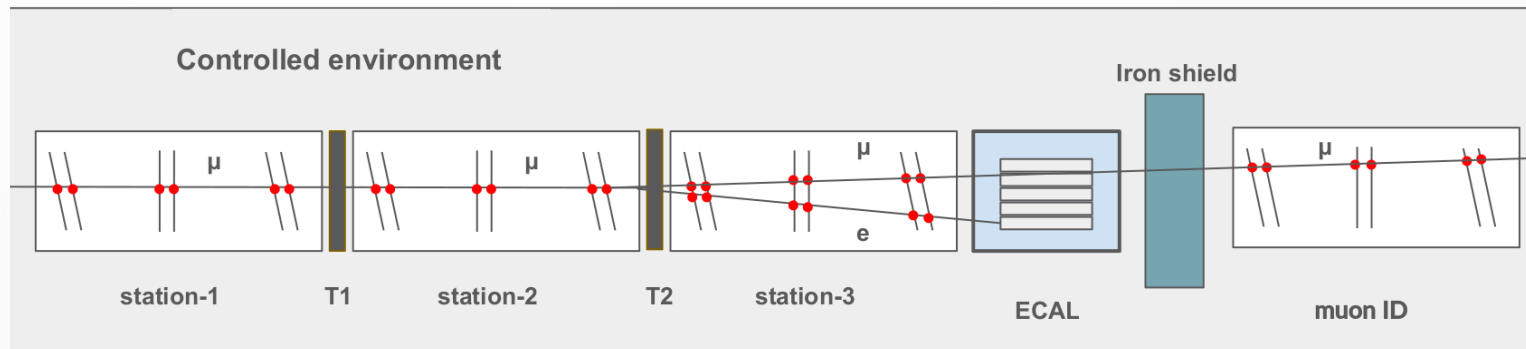


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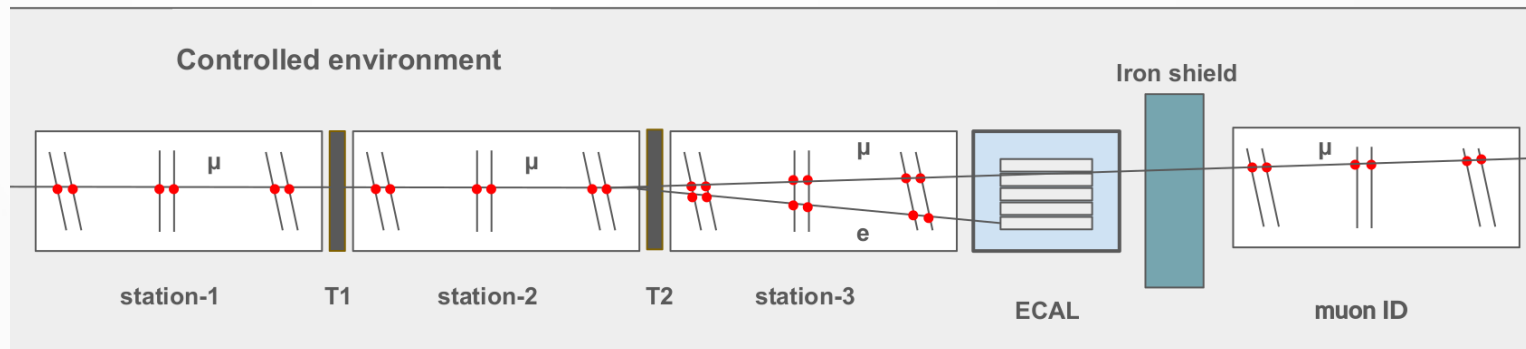
**The entire apparatus is fully funded**

# Run 2025: the apparatus



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“To instrument the three stations for the proposed system, CMS agree to provide 18 pre-production 2S modules in time for integration activities in January 2025.

In addition to this, at least 12 good quality prototype 2S modules will be made available to complete the setup on the same timescale.”

# Run 2025: goals



- **Detector operations:**

- Prove the capability of the DAQ to synchronize all the sub-detectors and operate efficiently in the 4 weeks run.
- Verify real time data processing in FPGA firmware to reduce the data volume to be stored.
- Exploit the ECAL full acceptance to get indications in optimizing its design for the final experiment.

- **Systematic error studies:**

- Exploit data from all the sub-detectors to study backgrounds and systematics.
- Study uniformity of tracking efficiency, PID, backgrounds, detector modelization, beam control.
- Demonstrate control of the systematic errors at  $O(500\text{ppm})$ .

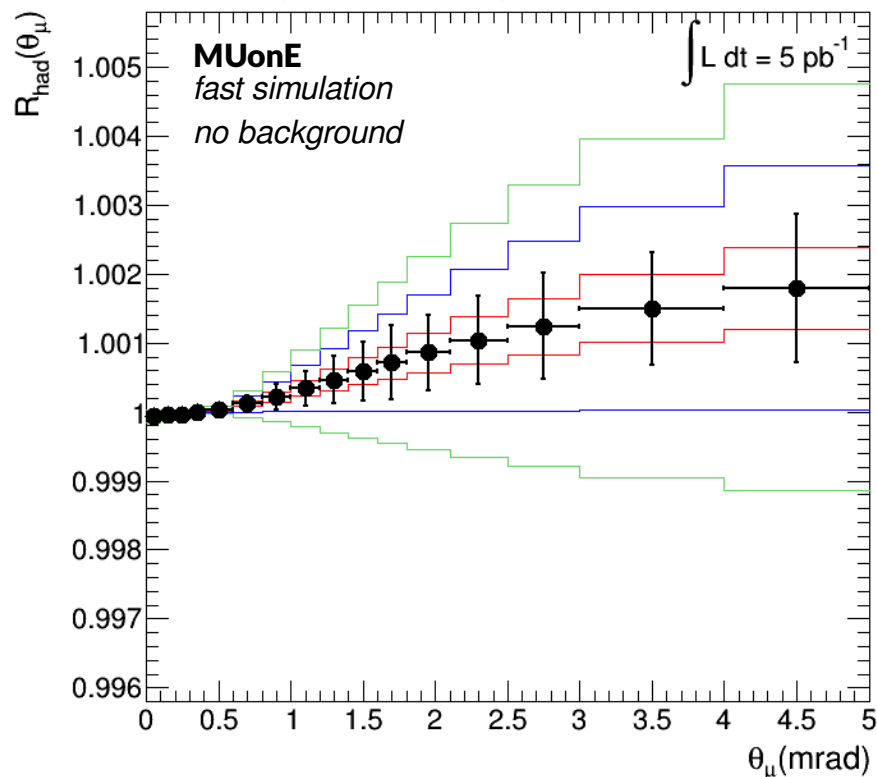
- **Physics results:**

- Preliminary measurement of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$  with  $O(20\%)$  statistical accuracy.
- Measure  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{lep}}(t)$  with a few percent precision, and compare with the measurement currently being performed with 2023 data.

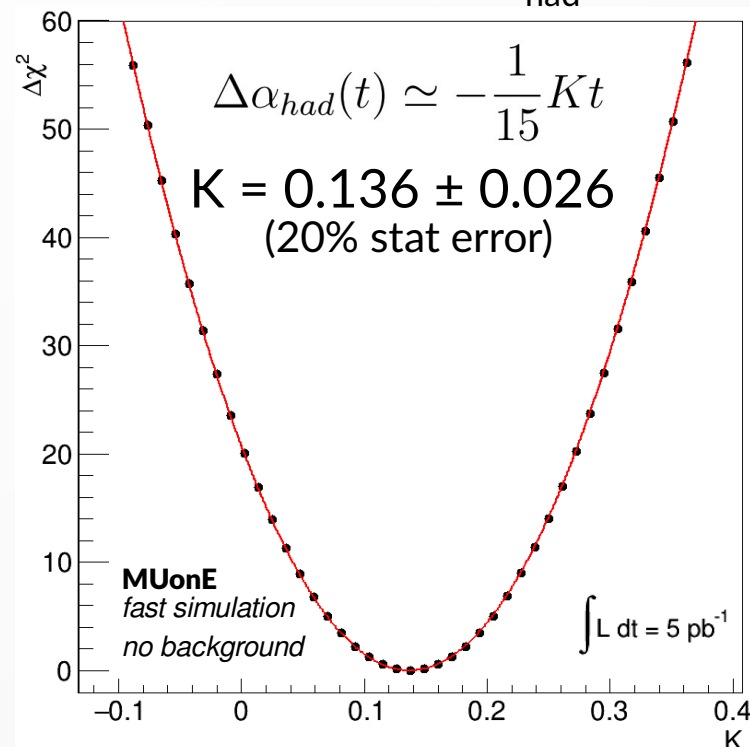
# First measurement of $\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$

Expected event yield:  $\sim 10^9$  elastic events within acceptance  
(one order of magnitude larger than 2023)

$$R_{had} = \frac{d\sigma_{data}(\Delta\alpha_{had})}{d\sigma_{MC}(\Delta\alpha_{had} = 0)} \sim 1 + 2\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$$



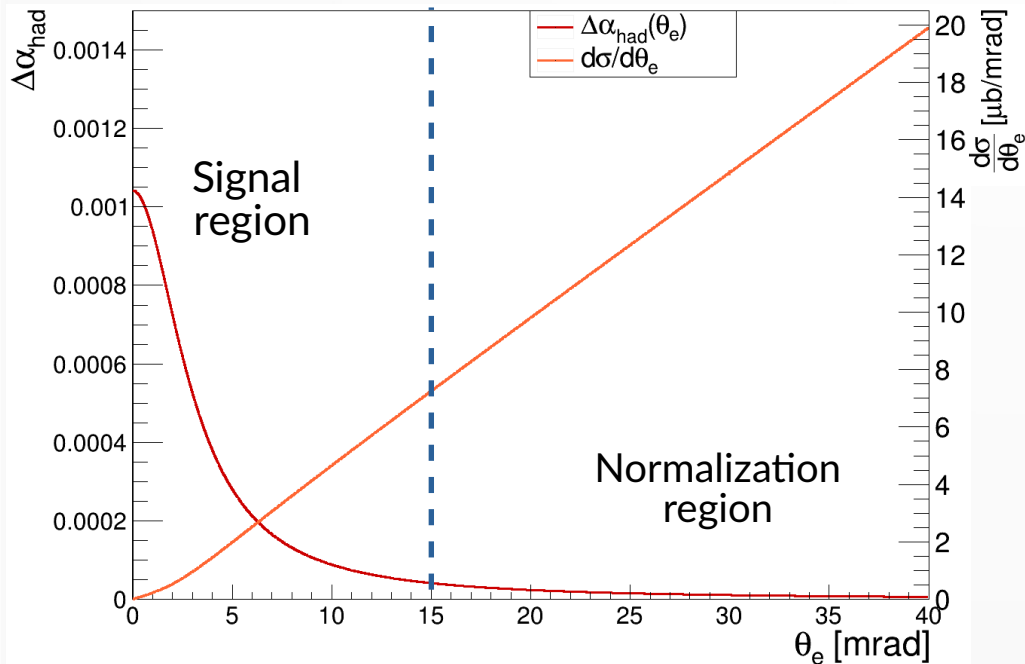
Template fit procedure  
to extract  $\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$



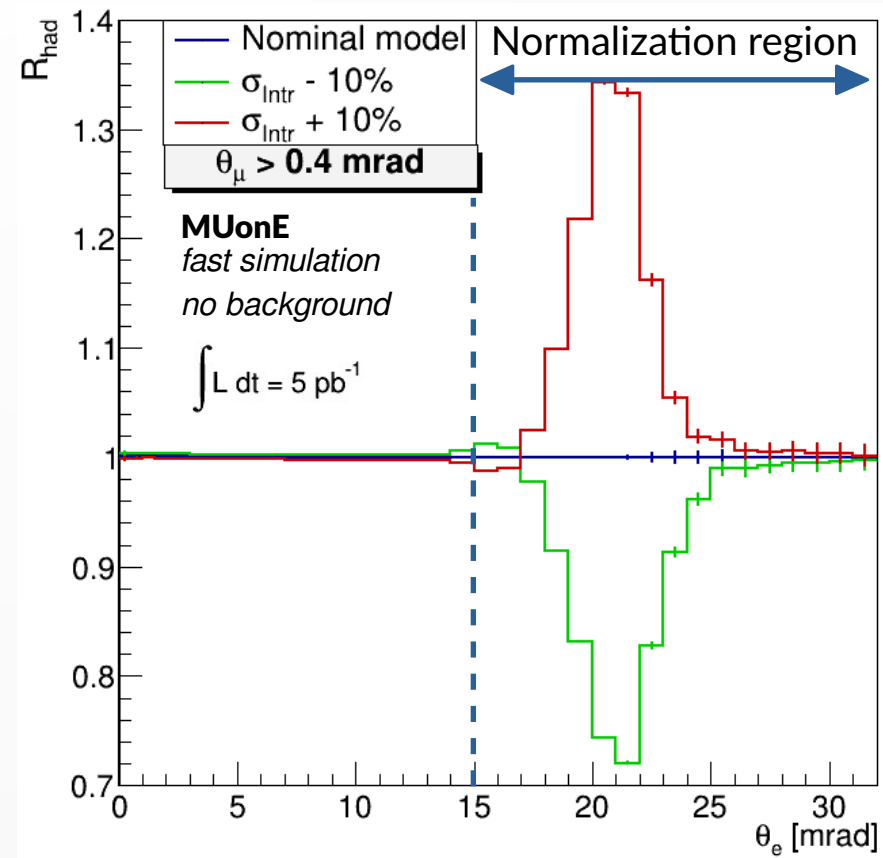
# Systematic effects

## Promising strategy:

- Study the main systematics in the normalization region (no sensitivity to  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$  here).
- Include residual systematics as nuisance parameters in a combined fit with signal.



Example:  
 $\pm 10\%$  systematic error  
 on the intrinsic resolution



# The MUonE Collaboration



Group	Senior	post-doc	PhD	students
Bologna	5		1	
Cornell University	1			
Imperial College(*)				
Krakow	2	1	2	
Milano-Bicocca	1			
Northwestern U.	1	1	1	
Padova	5	2		
Perugia	3	2		
Pisa	3	2	2	
Trieste	2		2	2
Shanghai	1	1		
Regis U.	1			3
U. of Virginia	2		2	
U. of Liverpool	5	3	3	
Total	32	12	13	5

Great contribution from  
early-career collaborators!

(\*) Imperial College participation in MUonE R&D and this proposal has been possible because of the very significant synergy of its CMS tracker upgrade activities and MUonE goals, especially the implementation of the new tracker readout system and its evaluation in high rate beam tests. 22



# Conclusions



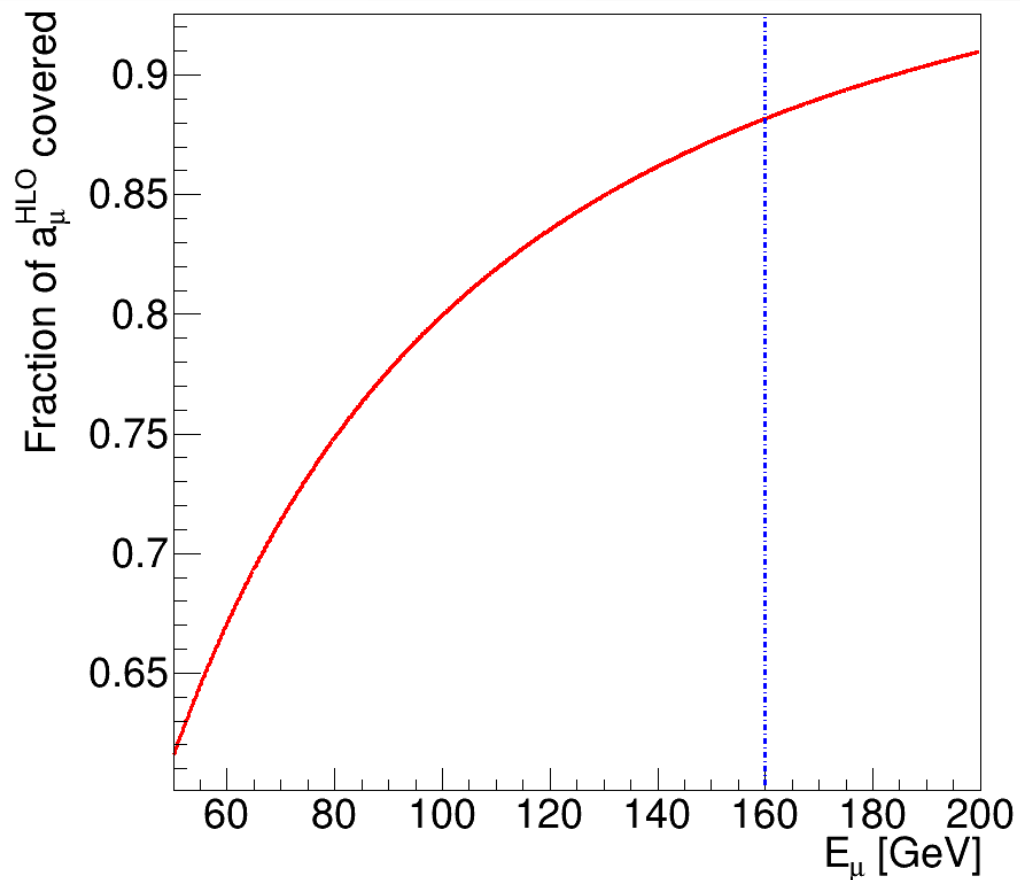
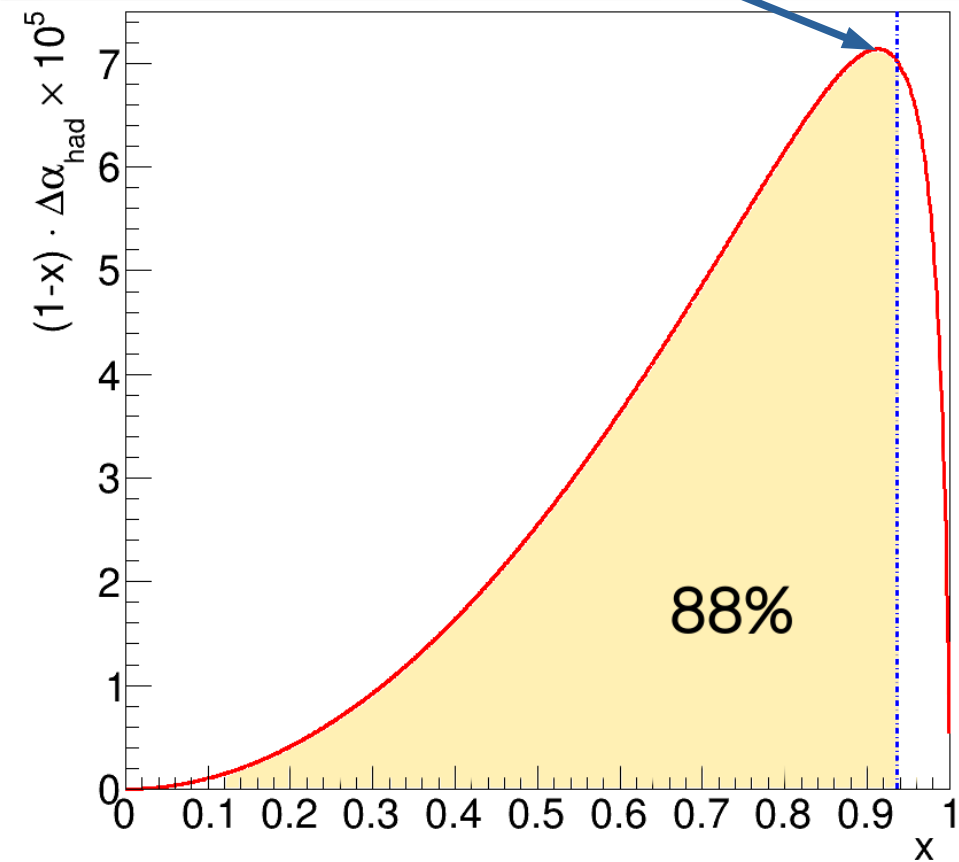
- The MUonE Collaboration submitted the proposal for a phase 1 of the experiment. It concerns a small scale version of the final apparatus, composed of 3 tracking stations, a calorimeter, a muon ID and the BMS.
- The detector for MUonE Phase 1 and operations until LS3 are fully funded.
- In case the proposal will be approved, MUonE will request **4 weeks of running time in 2025** at the M2 beam line.
- Goals: carefully study the expected systematic errors and background under realistic conditions and make preliminary measurements of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$ . This will provide essential information in view of the final version of the experiment (40 tracking stations + ancillary detectors).
- Obtaining the status of approved experiment will significantly ease access to CERN services and support. This will encourage more institutions to get involved in the project.

**BACKUP**

$$x < 0.936$$

$$t_{peak} \sim -0.108 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$x_{peak} \sim 0.92$$

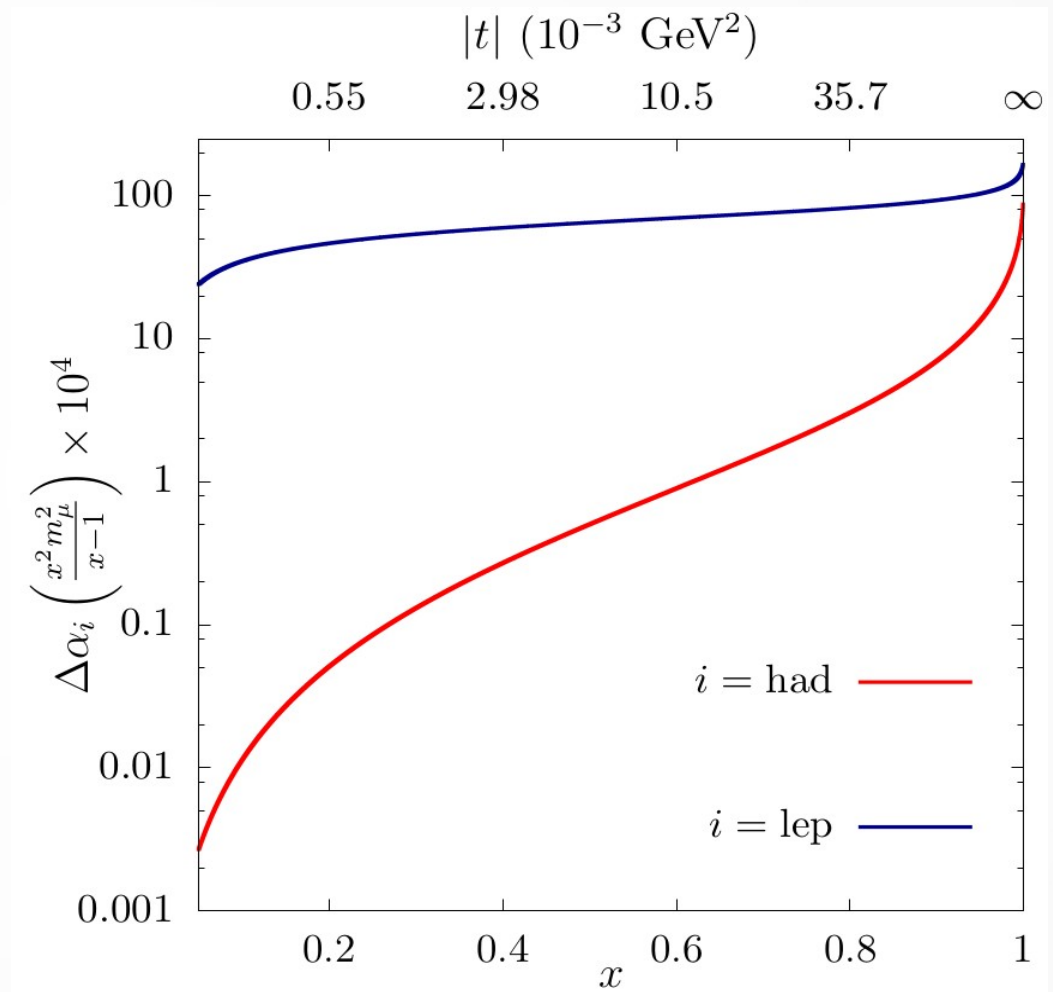


- 160 GeV muon beam on atomic electrons.

$$\sqrt{s} \sim 420 \text{ MeV}$$

$$-0.153 \text{ GeV}^2 < t < 0 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t) \lesssim 10^{-3}$$



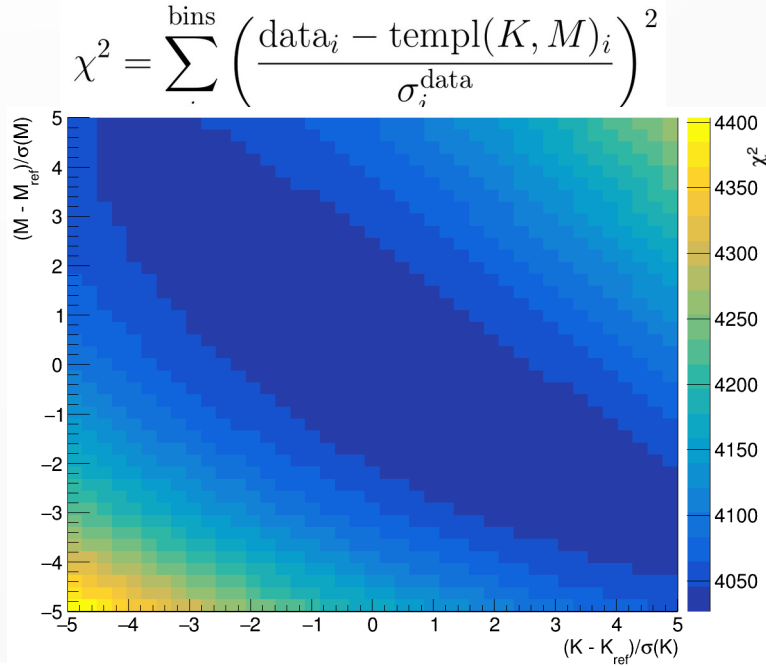
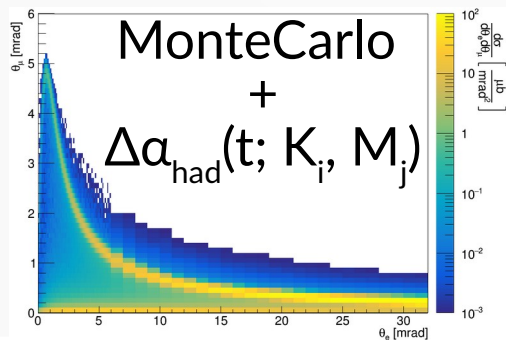
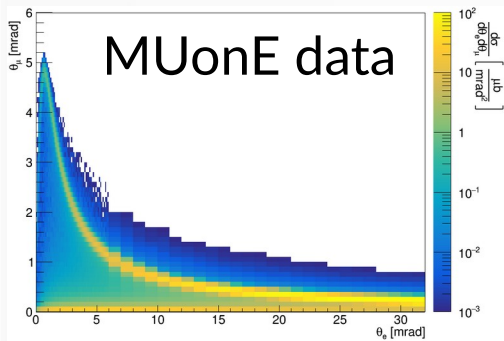
# Extraction of $\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$

$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$  parameterization:

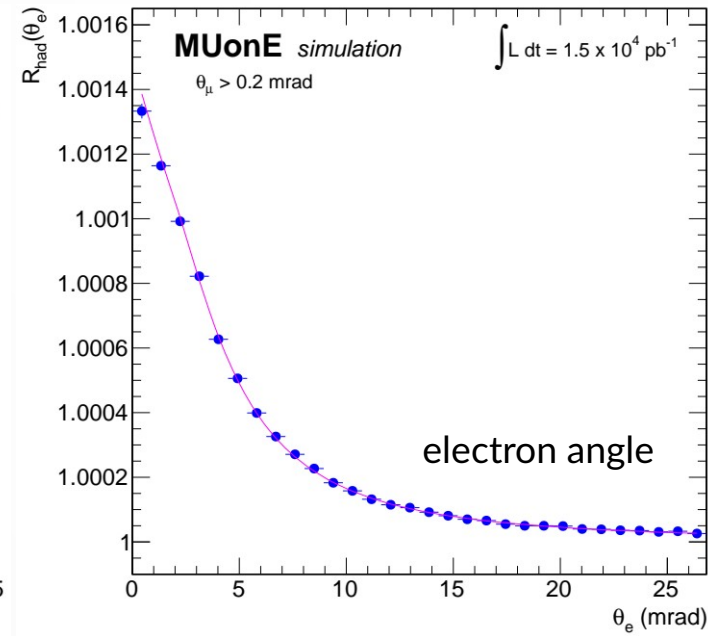
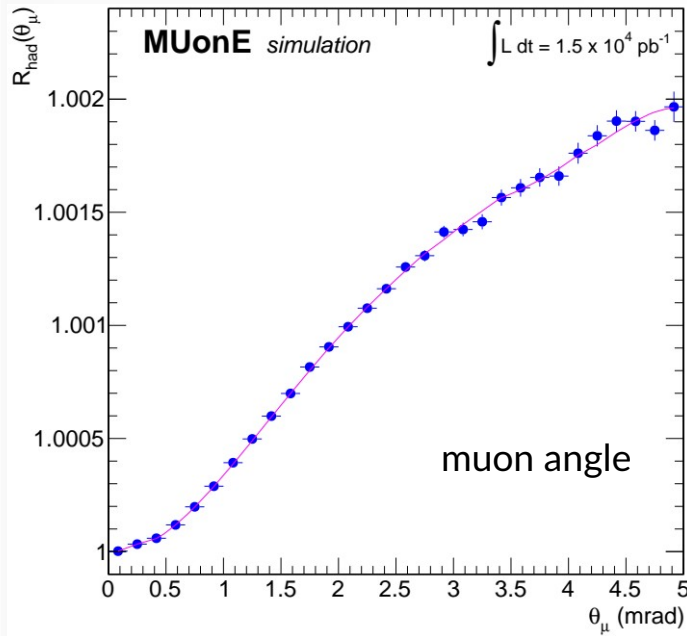
inspired from the 1 loop QED contribution of lepton pairs and  $t$ -quark at  $q^2 < 0$

$$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t) = KM \left\{ -\frac{5}{9} - \frac{4M}{3t} + \left( \frac{4M^2}{3t^2} + \frac{M}{3t} - \frac{1}{6} \right) \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}} \ln \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}} \right| \right\} \quad \text{2 parameters: } K, M$$

Extraction of  $\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$  through a template fit to the 2D  $(\theta_e, \theta_\mu)$  distribution:



# Extraction of $a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}$



$$R_{had} = \frac{d\sigma(\Delta\alpha_{had})}{d\sigma(\Delta\alpha_{had} = 0)}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = (688.8 \pm 2.4) 10^{-10}$$

Input value:

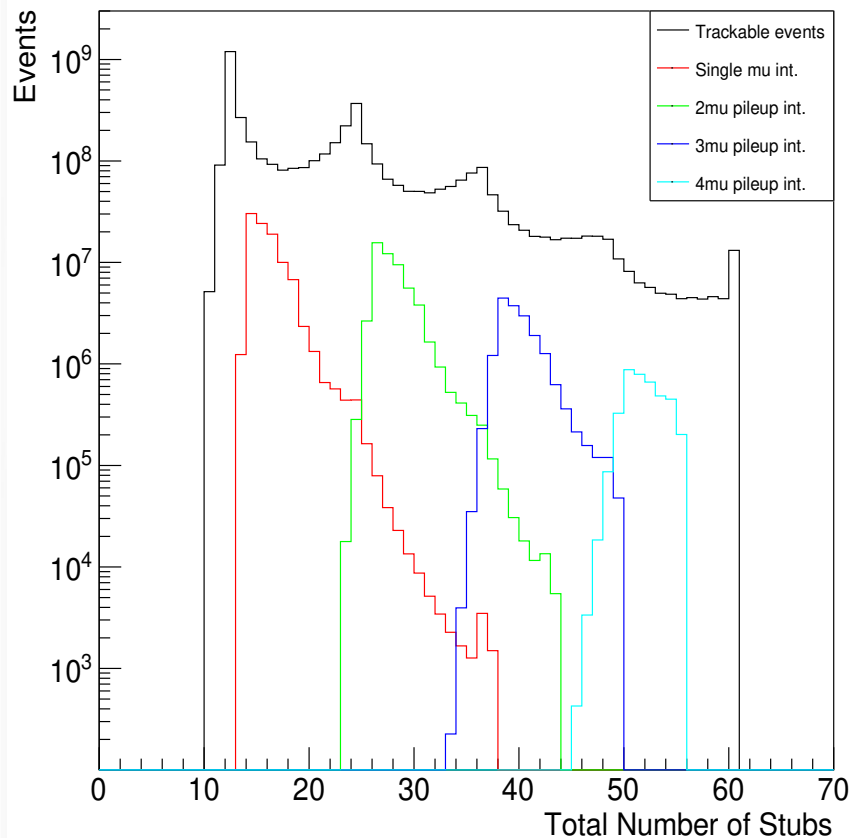
$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = 688.6 10^{-10}$$



**TB 2023**

# Data preselection (*skimming*)

Run 6



- 2023 Test Run operated with a Triggerless DAQ
  - Large Data volumes processed offline
- Skimming is aimed to preselect all the reconstructible events that can be associated to interactions in the target (from both signal and background processes)
- The algorithm is based simply on the hit patterns observed in the two stations
- The loosest requirements are imposed, to avoid biases, still the event reduction is about a factor **100**

On  $\sim 12$  B merged events, the skimming selects:

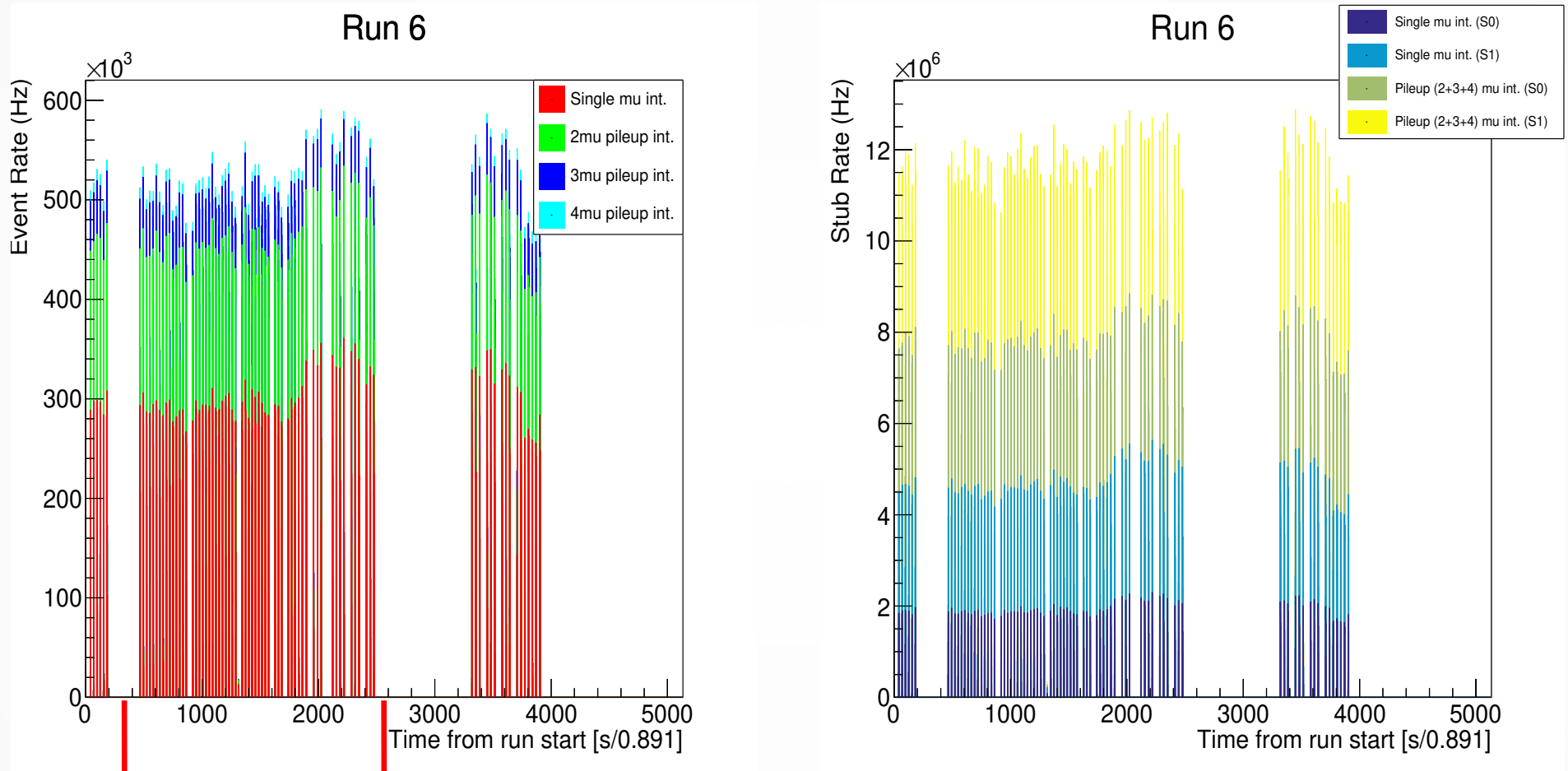
**0.8%**  $\sim 97$  M Single-Mu interaction candidates

**0.6%**  $\sim 75$  M PU (2,3,4) Mu interaction candidates

The different classes are well separated:

- Single muon interactions
- 2,3,4 pile-up muons with interactions

# Event and Hit rates after Skimming Preselection



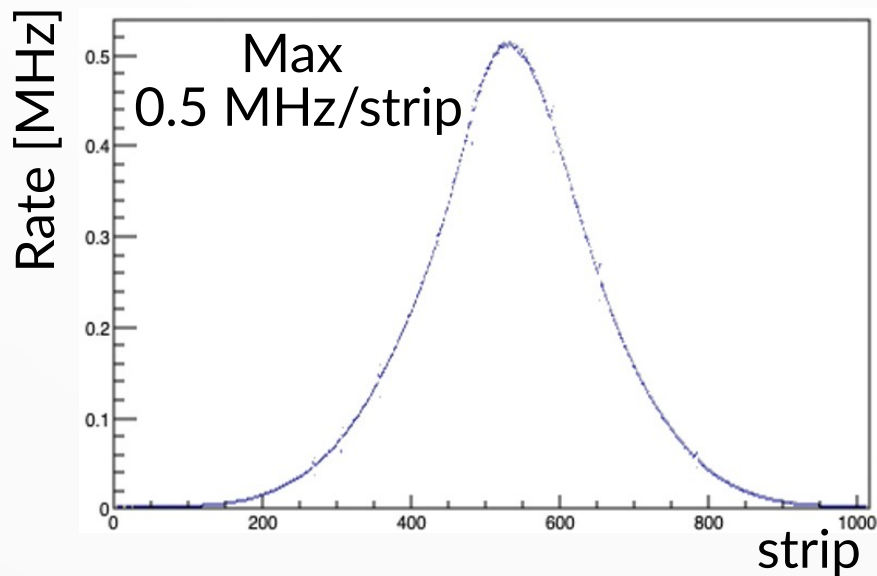
No beam in some time intervals: DAQ was carried on (nights)

Rate  $\sim 500$  KHz: algorithm can easily be implemented online on FPGA

## Beam rate

$\sim 2 \times 10^8 \mu/\text{spill}$

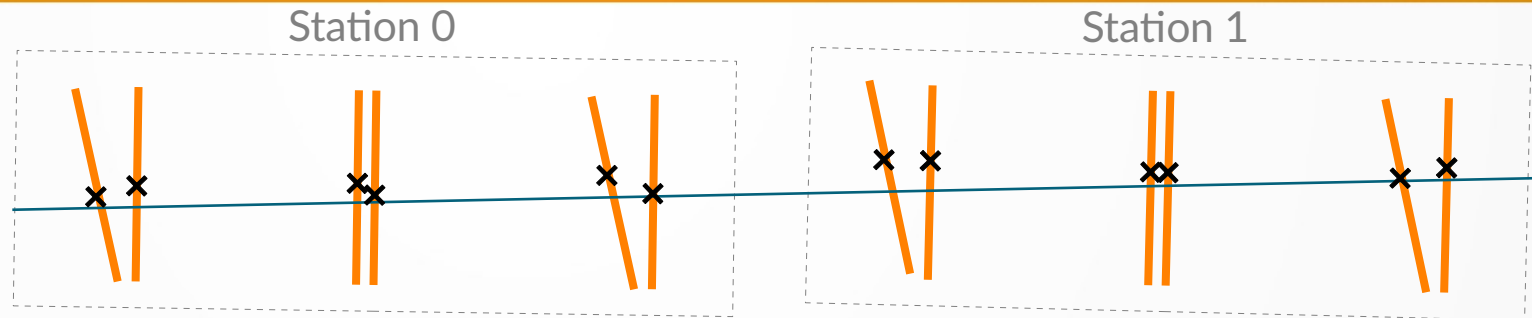
(1 spill =  $\sim 5\text{s}$ )



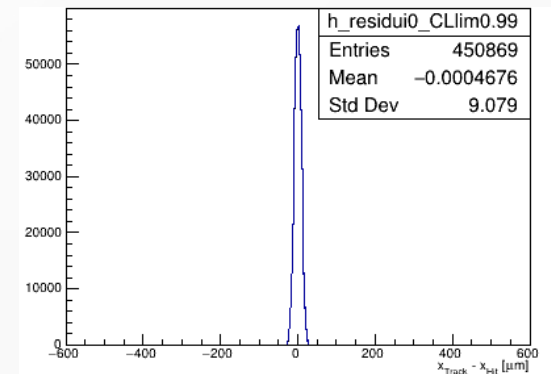
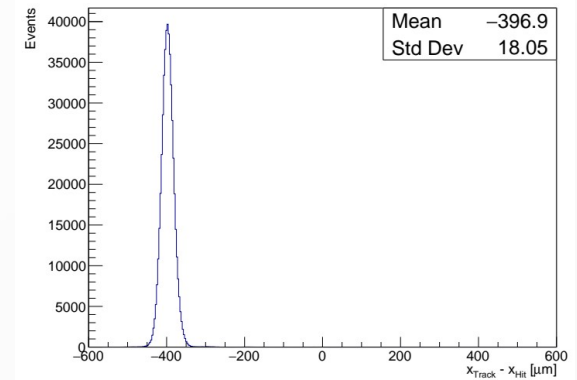
# Alignment TB 2023



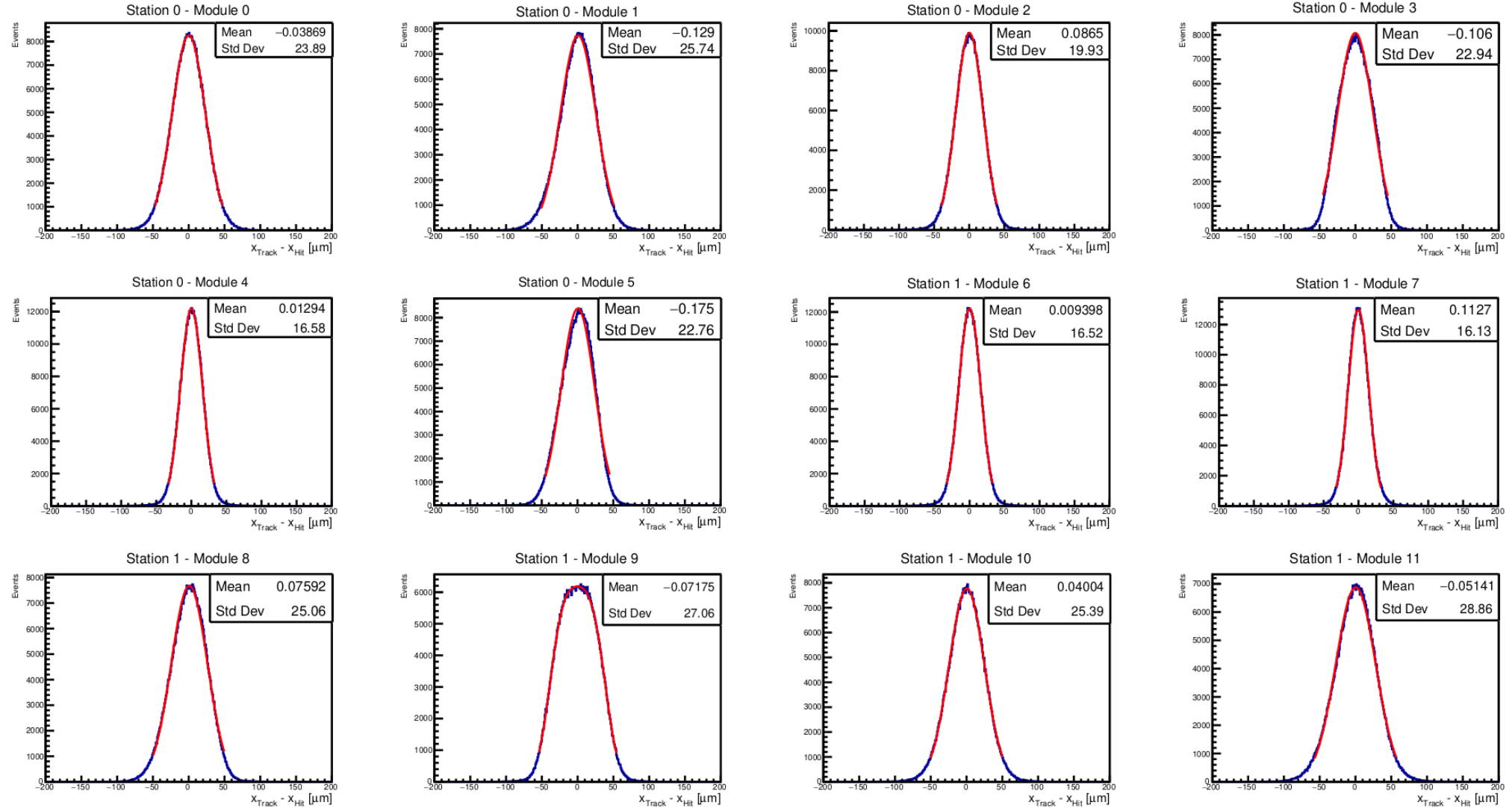
## Alignment



- Track based iterative procedure:  
2 alignment parameters per module  
(offset in the measured direction  
and rotation angle around the beam axis).
- Align the coordinate orthogonal to the  
measurement direction by measuring  
the image of module's middle line.



# Alignment - TB 2023

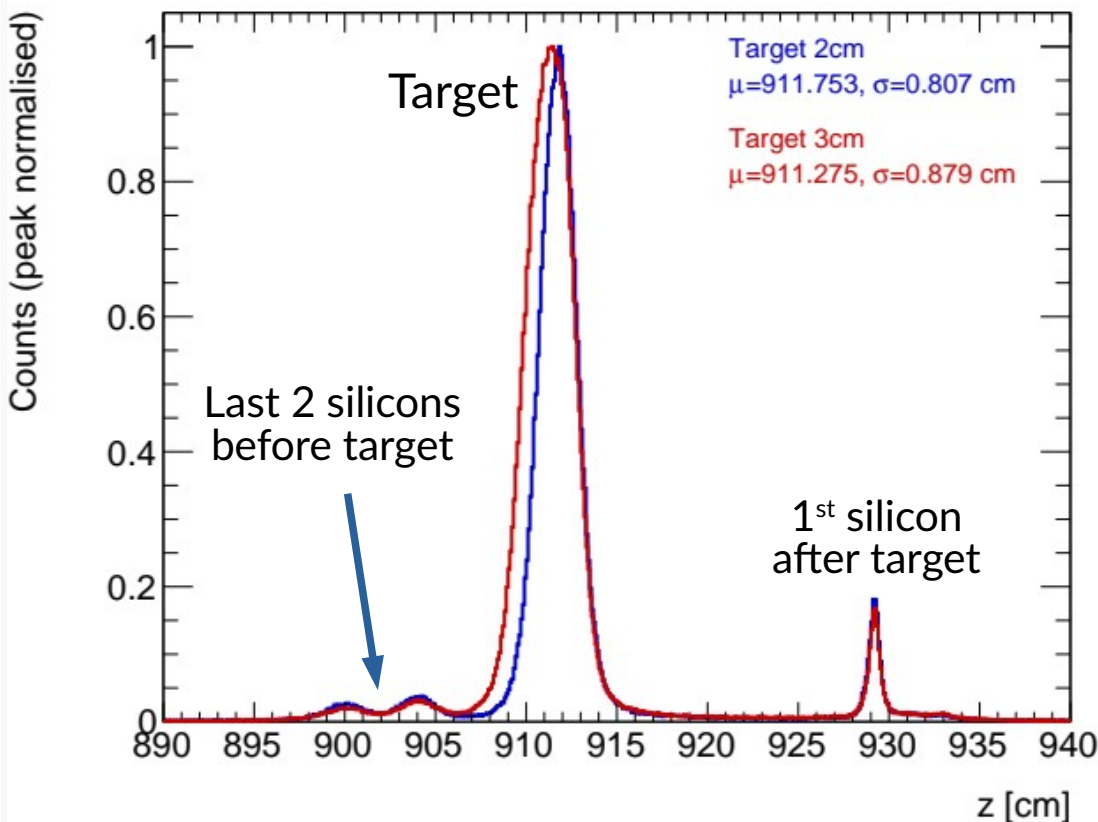




# Vertexing



Simple selection: events with 2 outgoing tracks within geometrical acceptance (0.2 – 32 mrad).



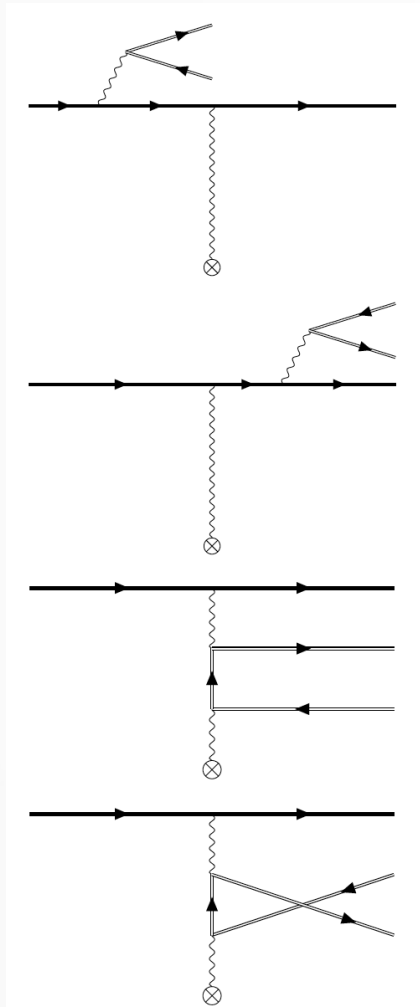
- Vertex Z fitted using the convolution between a box (target thickness) and a Gaussian (resolution).
- The target center is shifted by 0.5 cm by changing between 3cm and 2cm target (OK!).
- **Vertex resolution: ~0.8 cm.** (Slightly worse for 3cm target due to MS).

# New Background MC generator

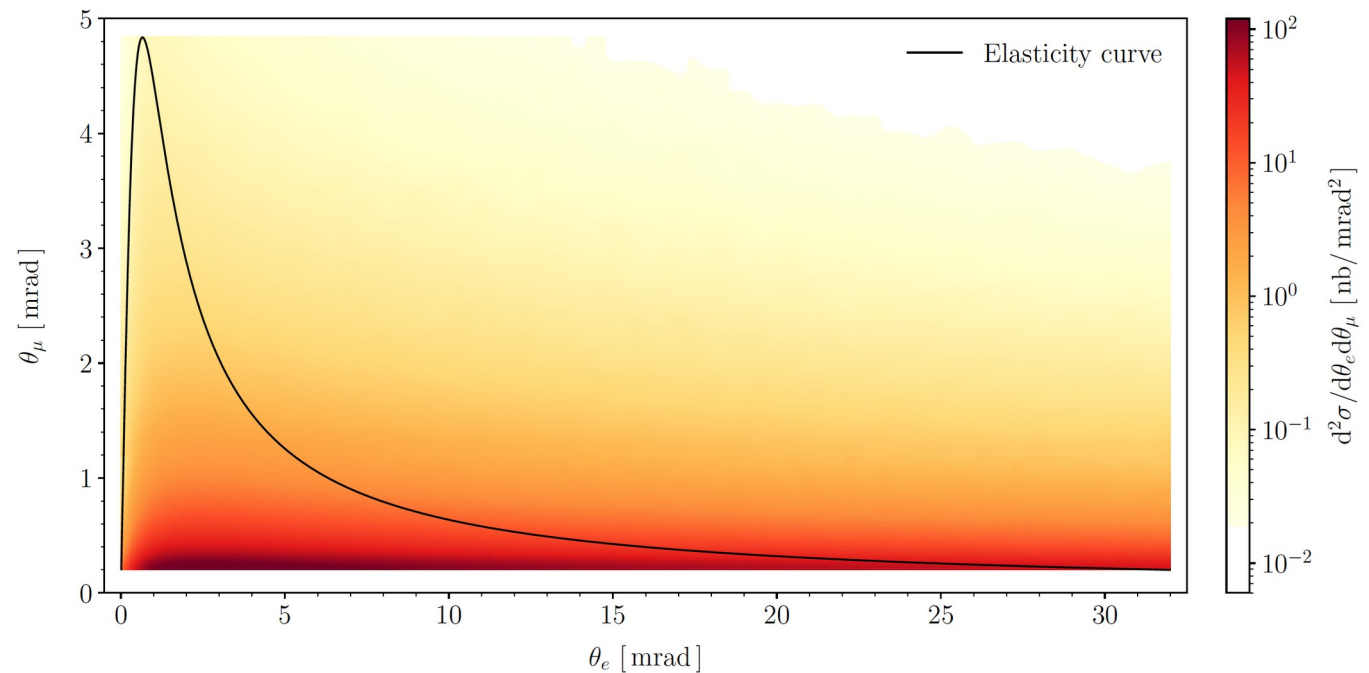
Main background:  $e^+e^-$  pair production

Implemented in MESMER

and interfaced with the MUonE detector simulation



Numerical results for  $\mu^+ C \rightarrow \mu^+ C e^+ e^-$  (3)



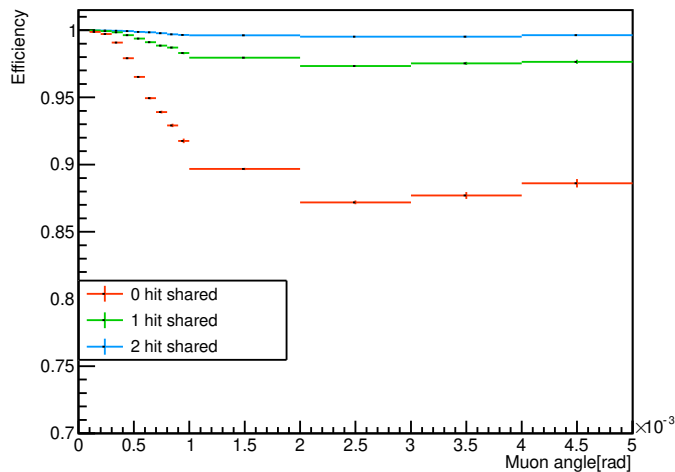
# MC performance - Track reconstruction in $\mu e$ elastic scattering events

Algorithmic reconstruction performance for reconstructible particles, with 3cm Target, for different setting of the reco configuration:

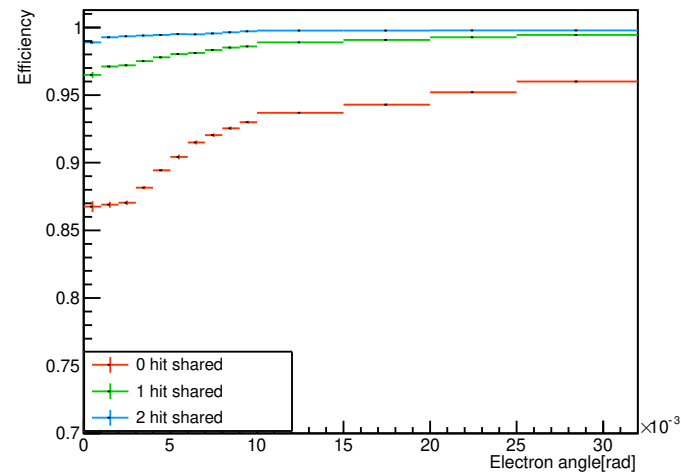
maximum number of shared hits between two tracks = 0,1,2

The efficiency is defined by matching the MC truth with a Quality cut of  $Q > 0.65$ , i.e. at least 4/6 hits have to be correctly taken in the reconstructed trajectory

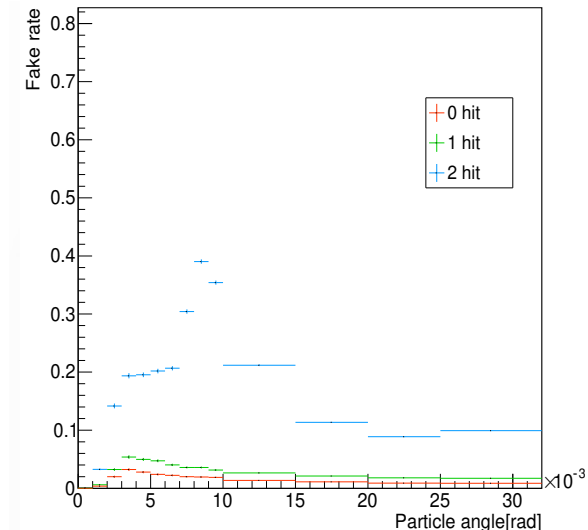
$\mu$  track efficiency



e track efficiency



fake track rate



Flat and high efficiency for 2 max shared hits (close tracks in the first pair of modules nearest to the target)

Drawback: fake rate due to clone and background tracks, but can be easily rejected by later steps (vertexing)

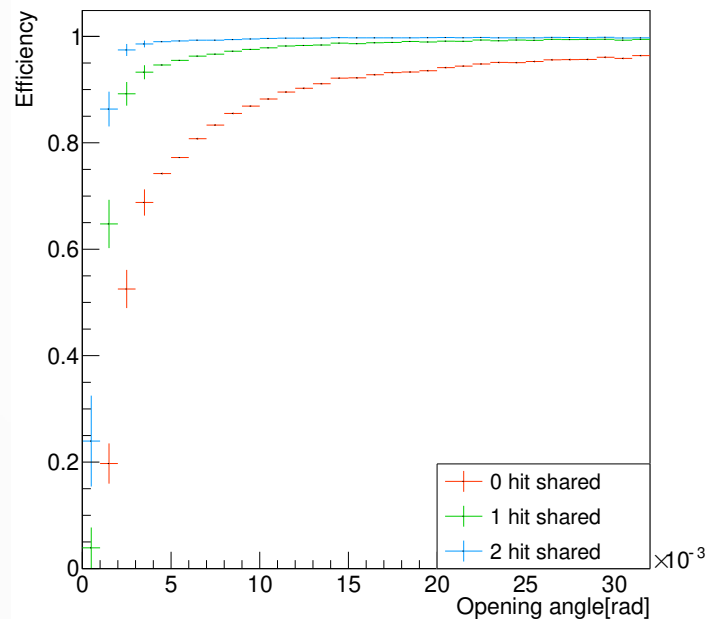
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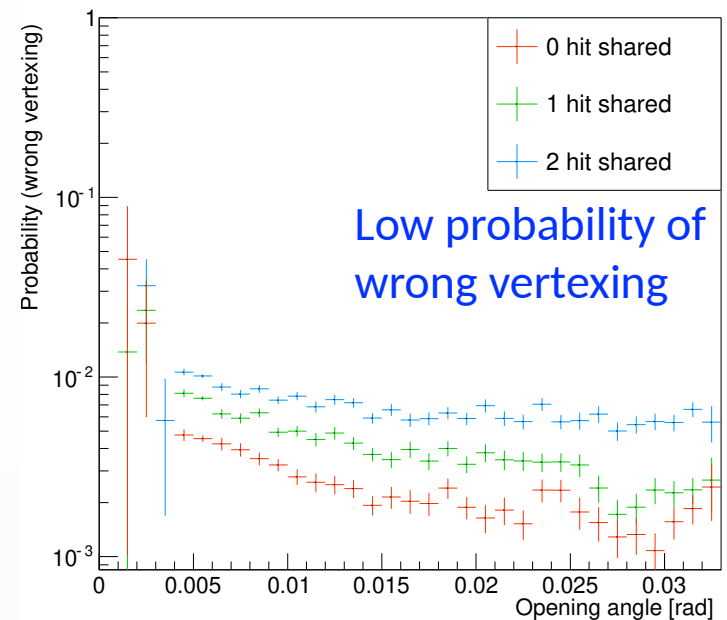
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### $\mu e$ event efficiency



### wrong vertex probability



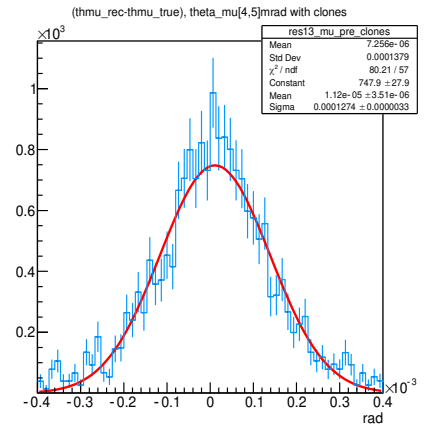
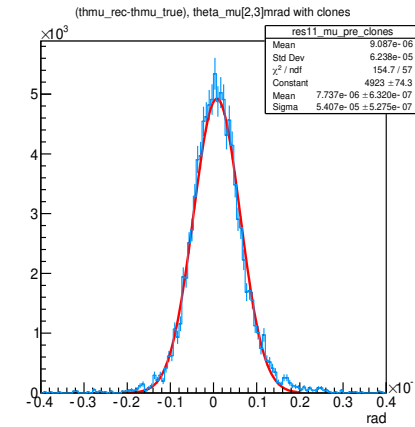
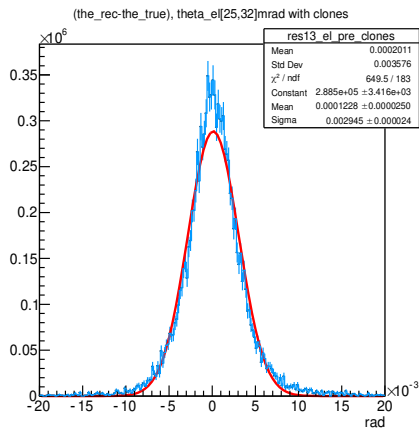
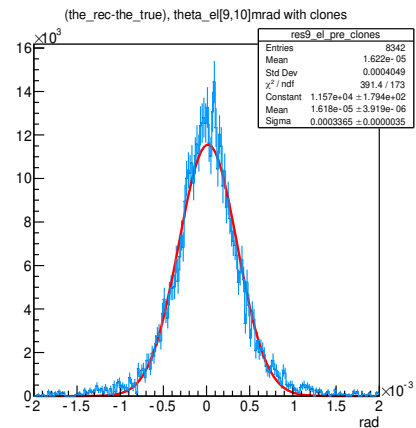
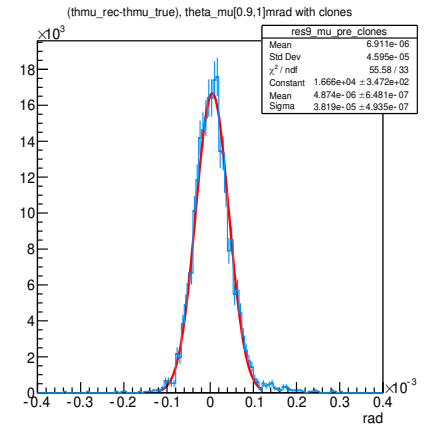
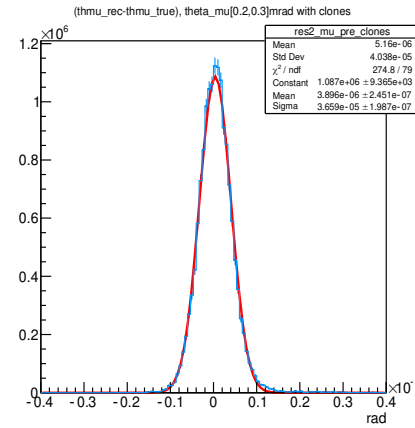
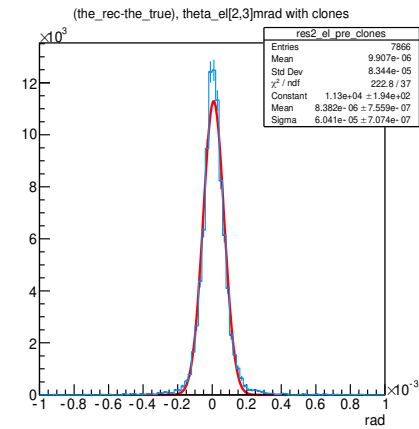
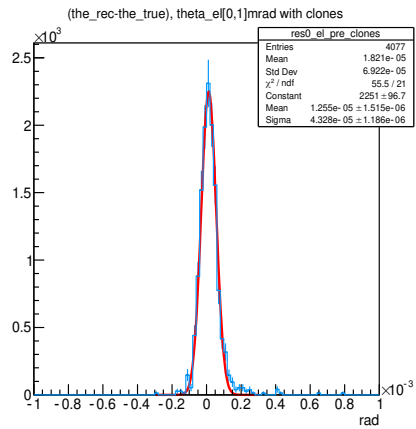
Flat efficiency  
for 2 max shared hits  
(close tracks in the first  
pair of modules nearest  
to the target)

# MC performance - Angular Resolution vs Scattering Angle

in different angular bins

electron

muon



# TB 2023 - extraction of $\Delta\alpha_{lep}(t)$ : expectations



$O(10^{12})$   $\mu$  on target, expected  $\sim 2.5 \times 10^8$  elastic events  $E_e > 1$  GeV

Not enough for  $\Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$ ,  
but we can measure  $\Delta\alpha_{lep}(t)$

1 loop QED contribution of lepton pairs:

$$\Delta\alpha_{lep}(t) = k [f(m_e) + f(m_\mu) + f(m_\tau)]$$

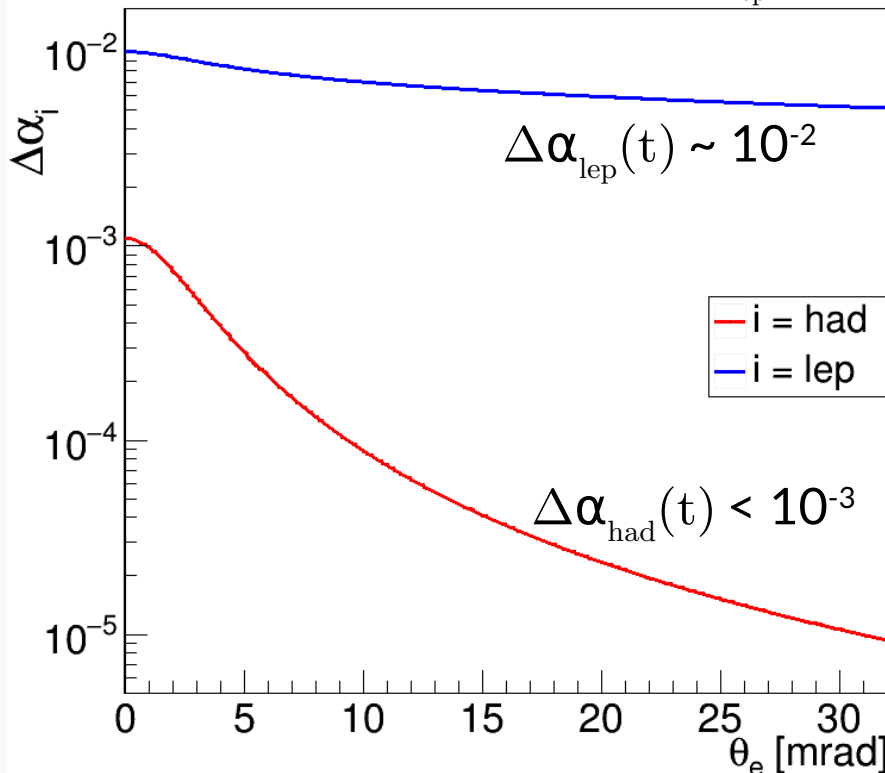
$$f(m) = -\frac{5}{9} - \frac{4m^2}{3t} + \left(\frac{4m^4}{3t^2} + \frac{m^2}{3t} - \frac{1}{6}\right) \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{t}}} \ln \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{t}}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{t}}} \right|$$

1 parameter template fit:  
Fix lepton masses and fit k

$$k = \frac{\alpha}{\pi}$$

Expected precision:  $\sim 5\%$

Studied on fast simulation  
neglecting background.



# Production of Monte Carlo templates

FairMUonE

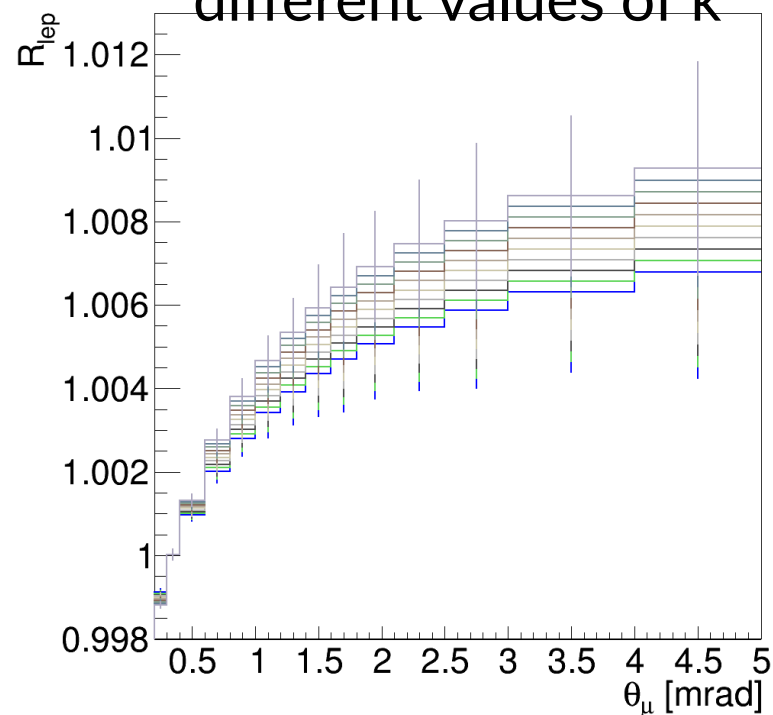
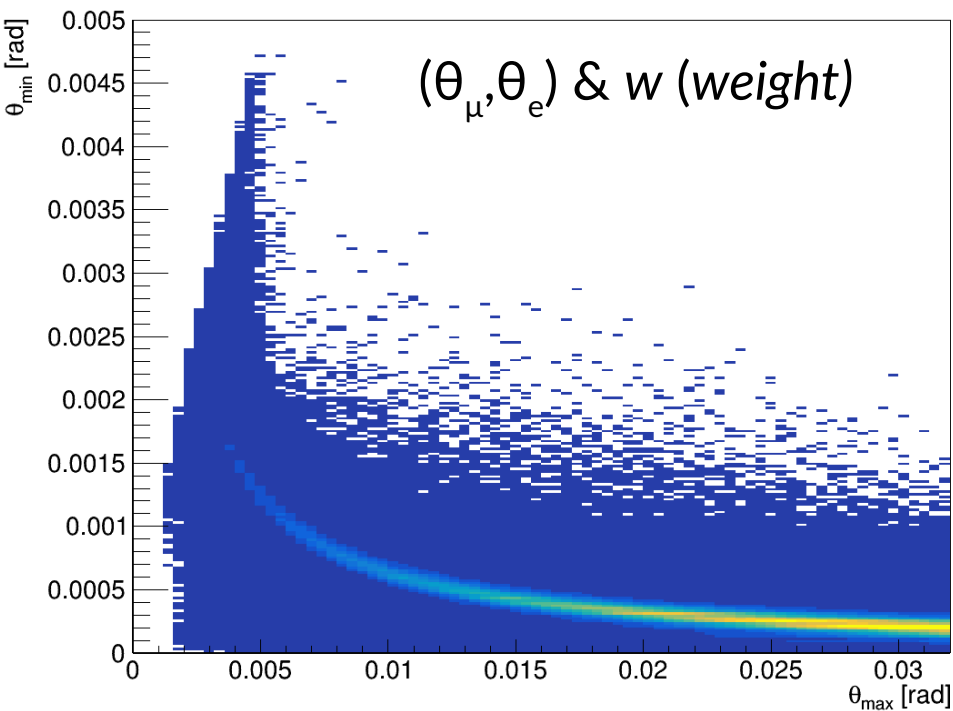


Reweighting

$(\theta_\mu, \theta_e) \& w \rightarrow w(k_i)$

- Geant4 simulation
- Track reconstruction

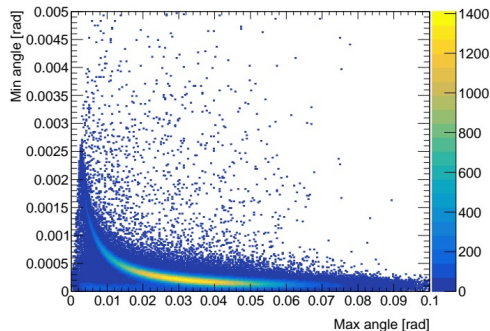
Templates for  
different values of  $k$





# Analysis workflow

Data



combine

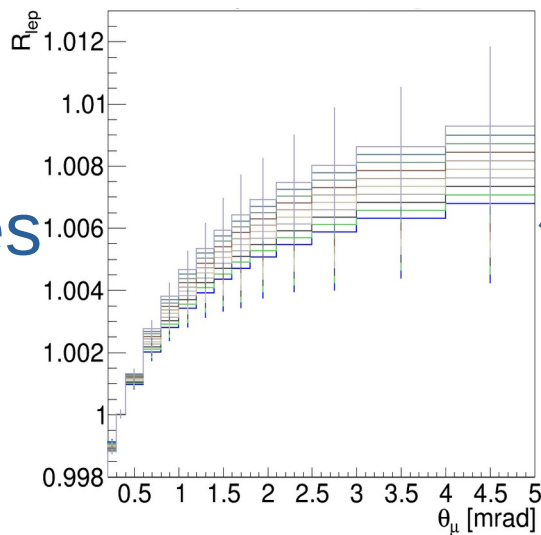
Take into account systematic effects

Likelihood/ $\chi^2$   
fit

Data vs  
each template

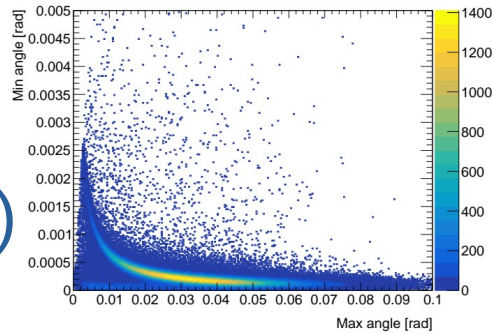
$k_{\text{best}} \pm \Delta k$

Monte  
Carlo  
templates

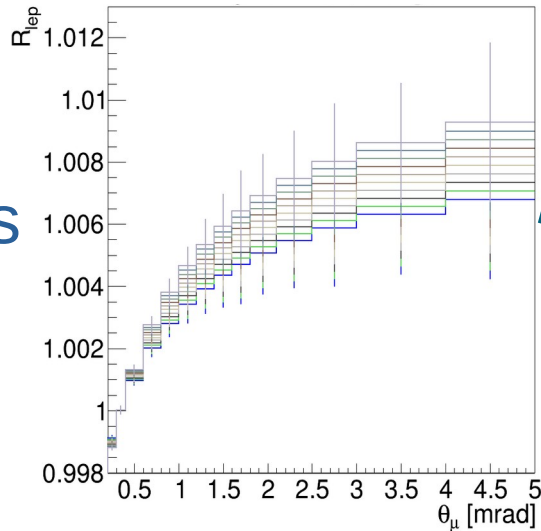


# Test using pseudodata (Monte Carlo)

Pseudo data (MC)



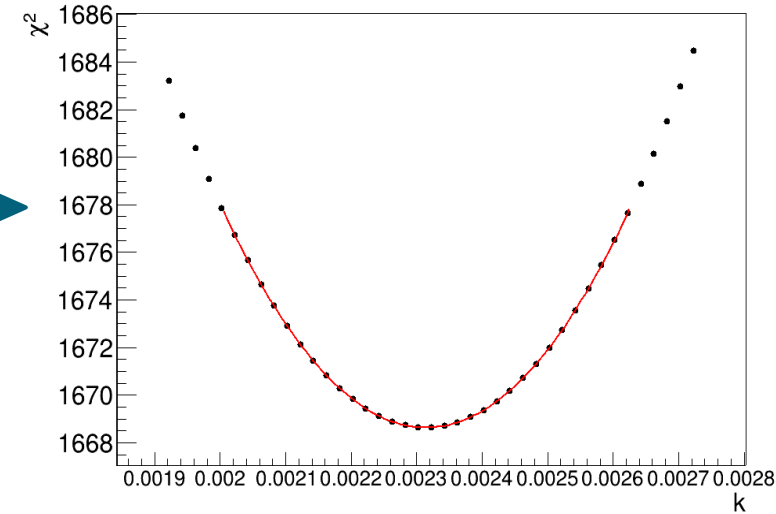
Monte Carlo templates



combine  
Take into account systematic effects

Likelihood/ $\chi^2$  fit

Data vs each template

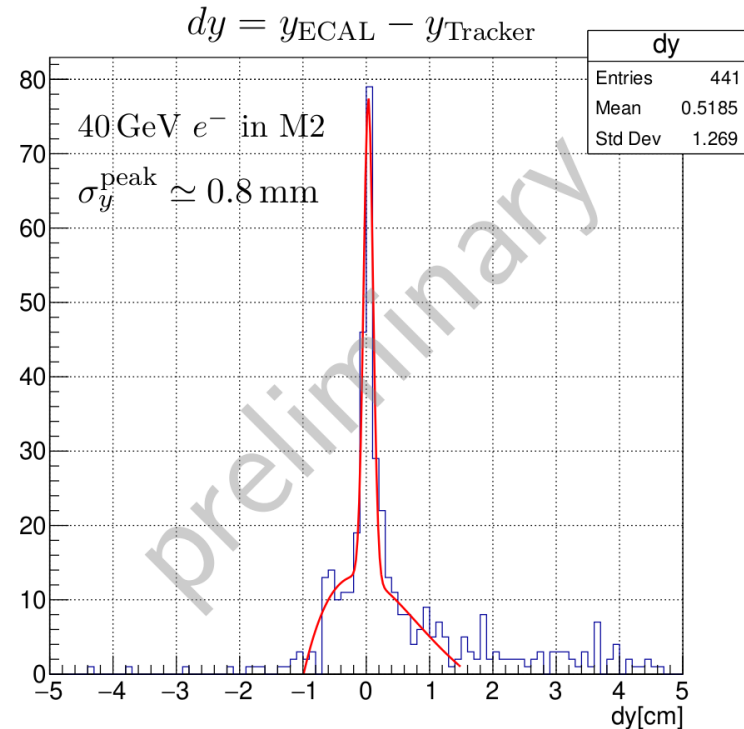
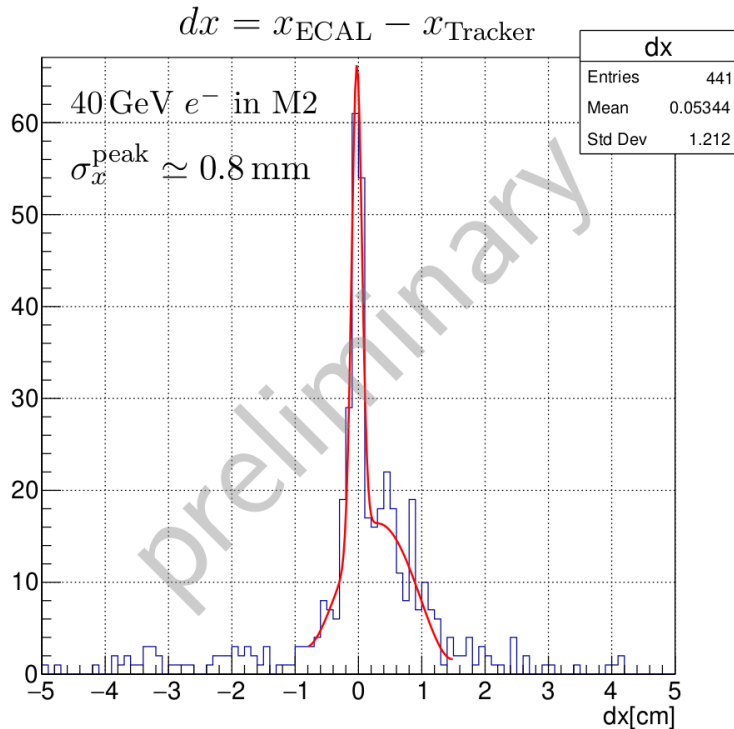


$$k_{best} = 0.00232(10) \rightarrow \sim 5\%$$

$$k_{input} = 0.00232$$

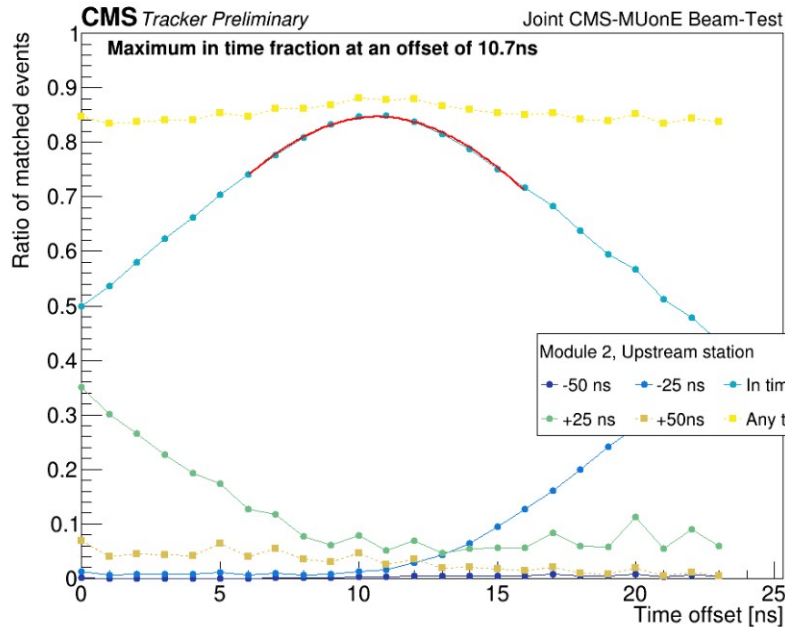
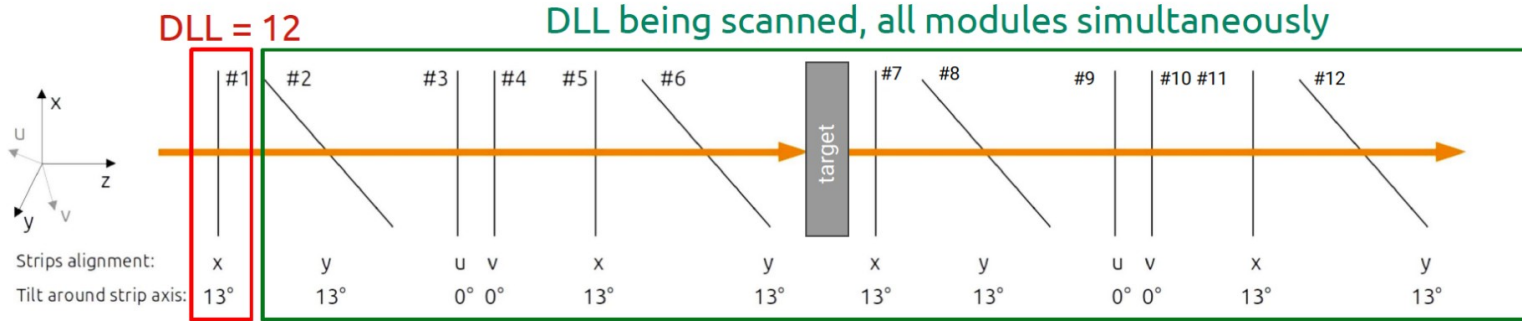
# ECAL – spatial resolution

Sub-mm peak resolution in good agreement with simulations.

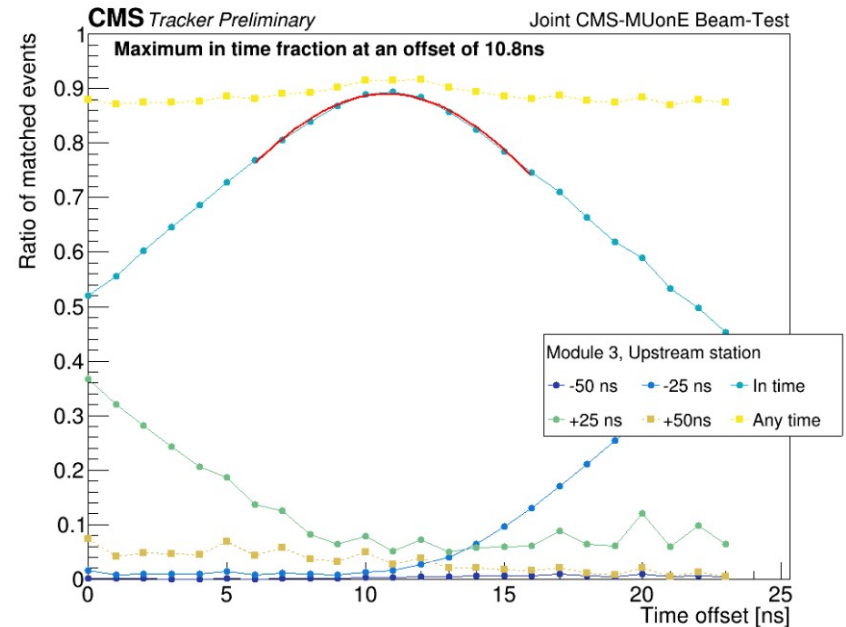


- Small sample (ECAL integrated in the main DAQ only at the end of the run).
- Technical issues limited ECAL data quality (now solved).

# 2S modules synchronization



Compute the fraction of events with a hit in #1, if a hit is found in the DUT.



The relative timing of the modules can be determined (here ~0.1 ns between #2 and #3).

# The need of including systematic effects in the analysis



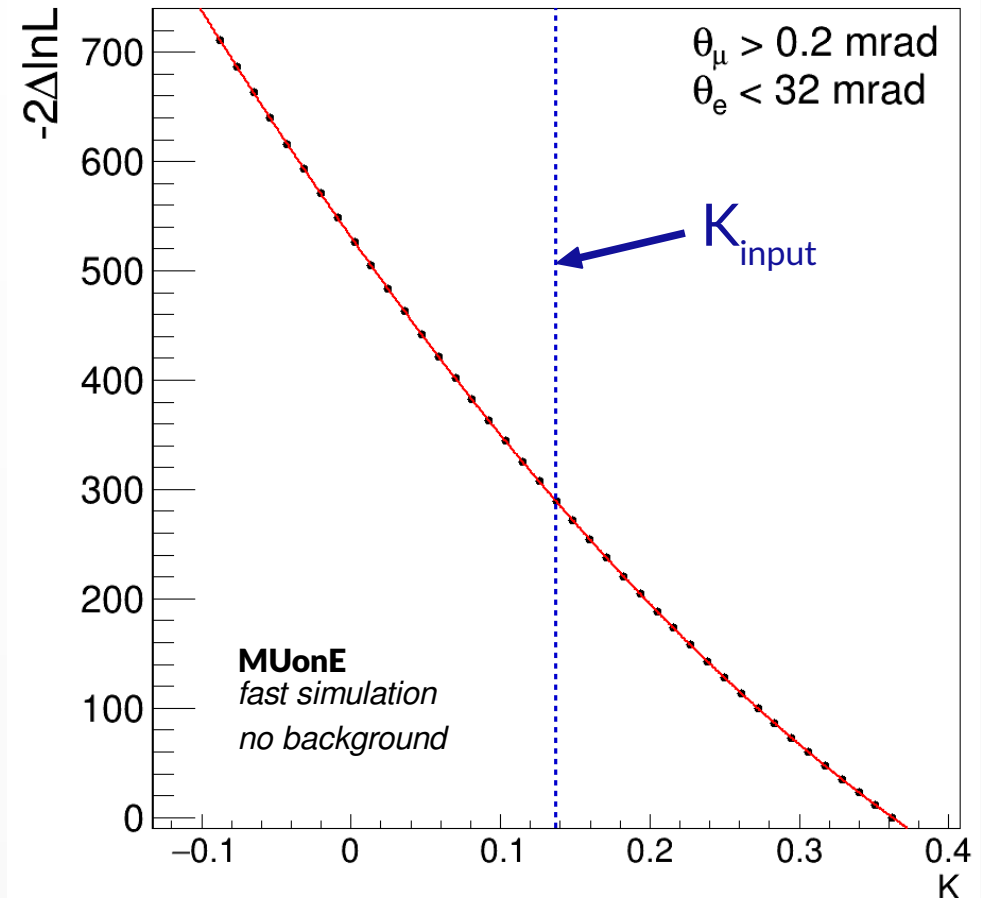
What if systematic effects are not included in the template fit?

Simplified situation:

- 1 fit parameter (K).

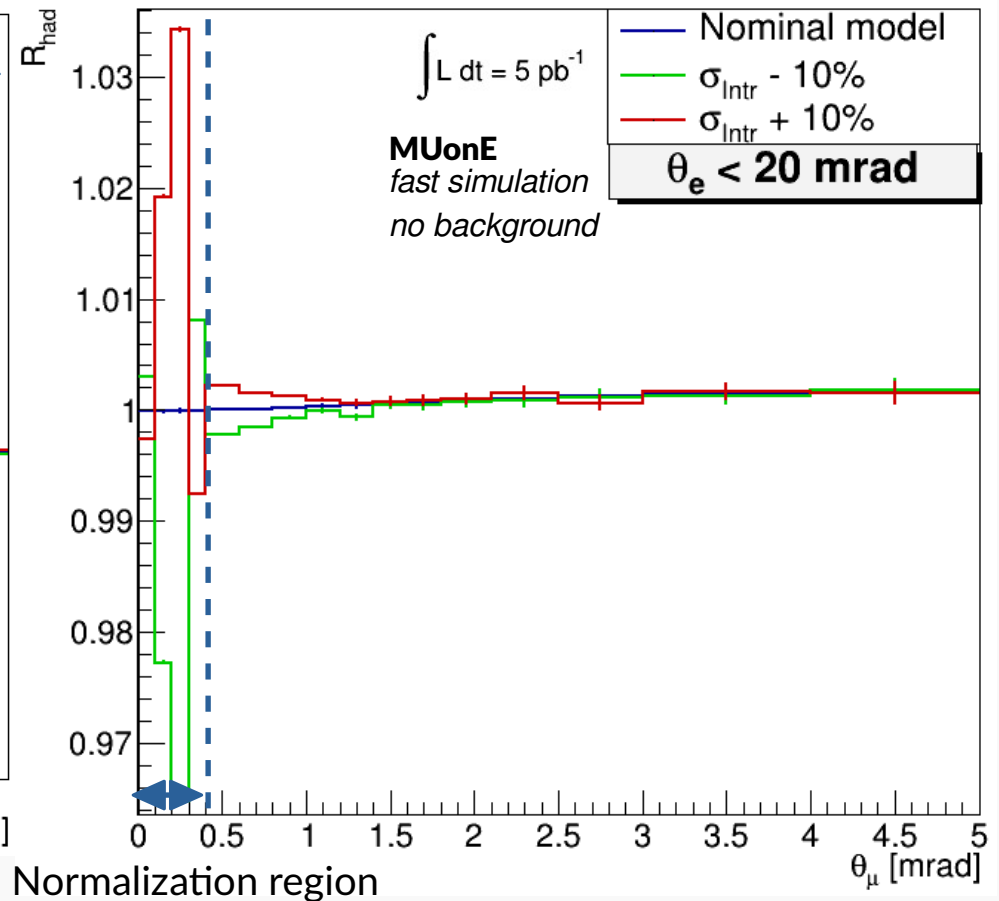
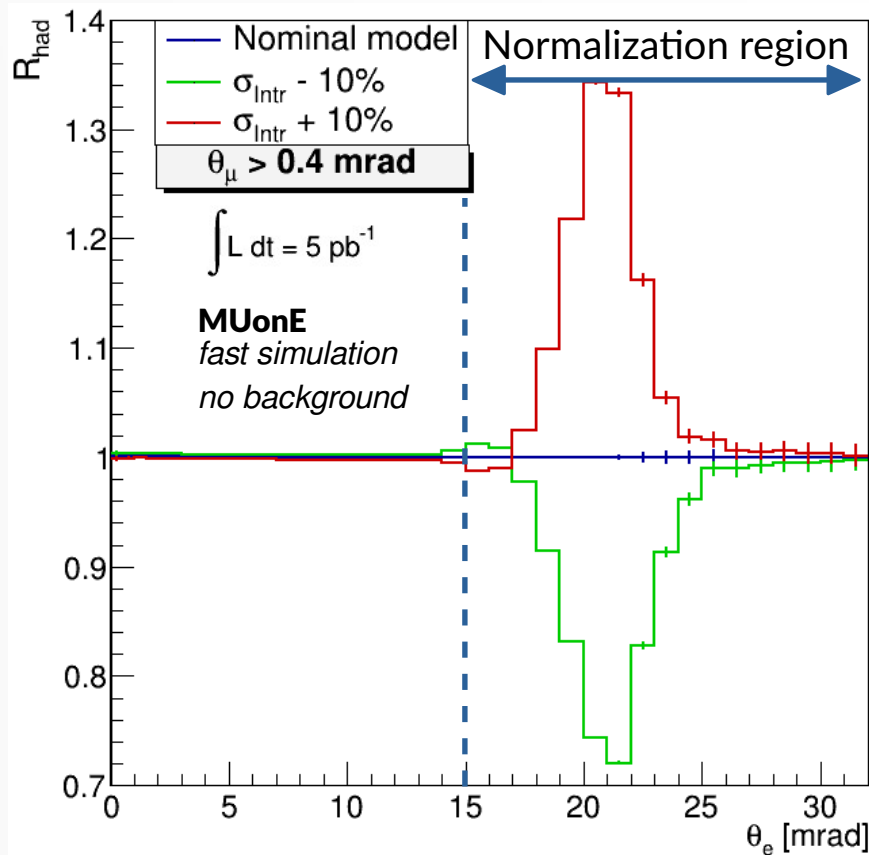
$$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t) \simeq -\frac{1}{15}Kt$$

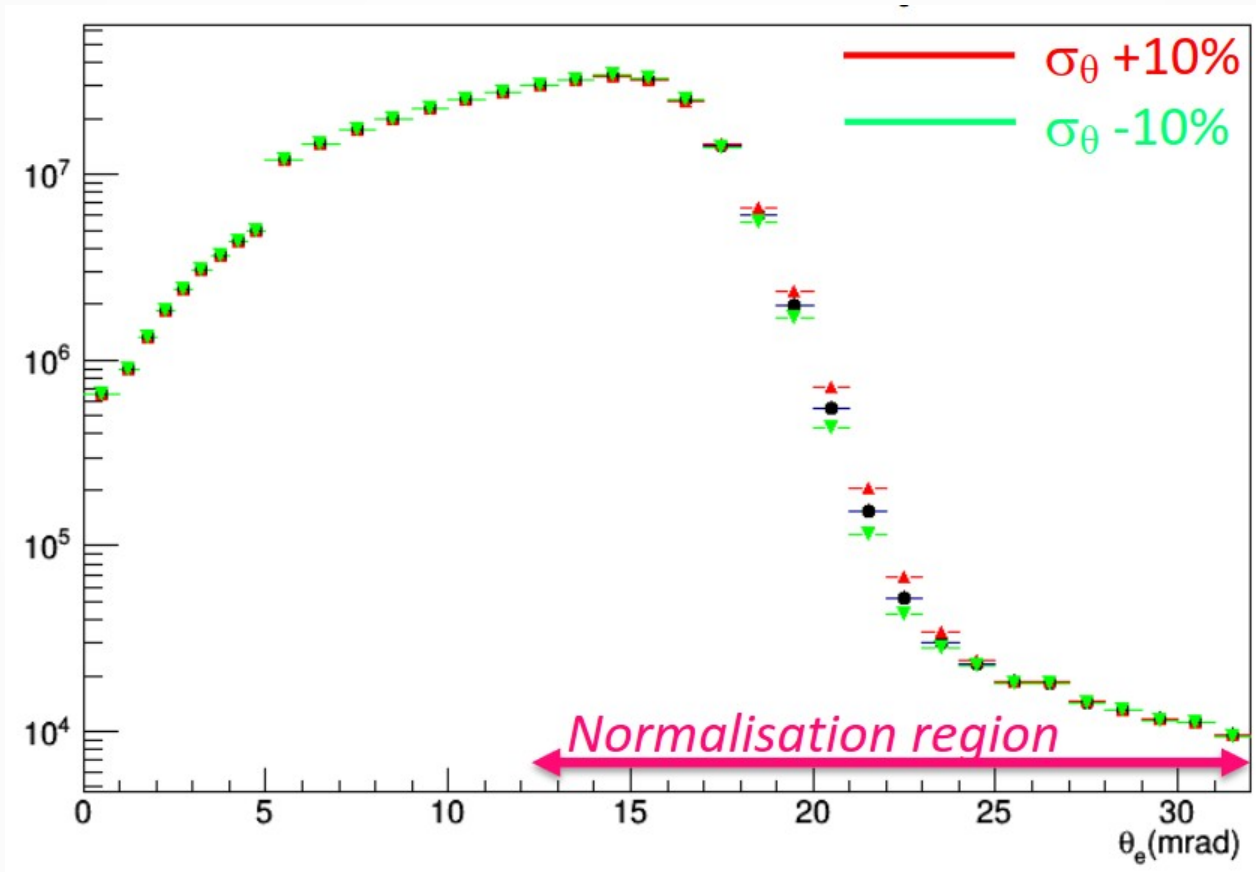
- $L = 5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ .  
~ $10^9$  elastic events  
(~4000 times less than the final statistics)
- Example: shift the pseudo-data sample by  $\sigma_{\text{Intr}} \rightarrow \sigma_{\text{Intr}} + 5\%$ .



# Systematic error on the angular intrinsic resolution

$\pm 10\%$  error on the angular intrinsic resolution.





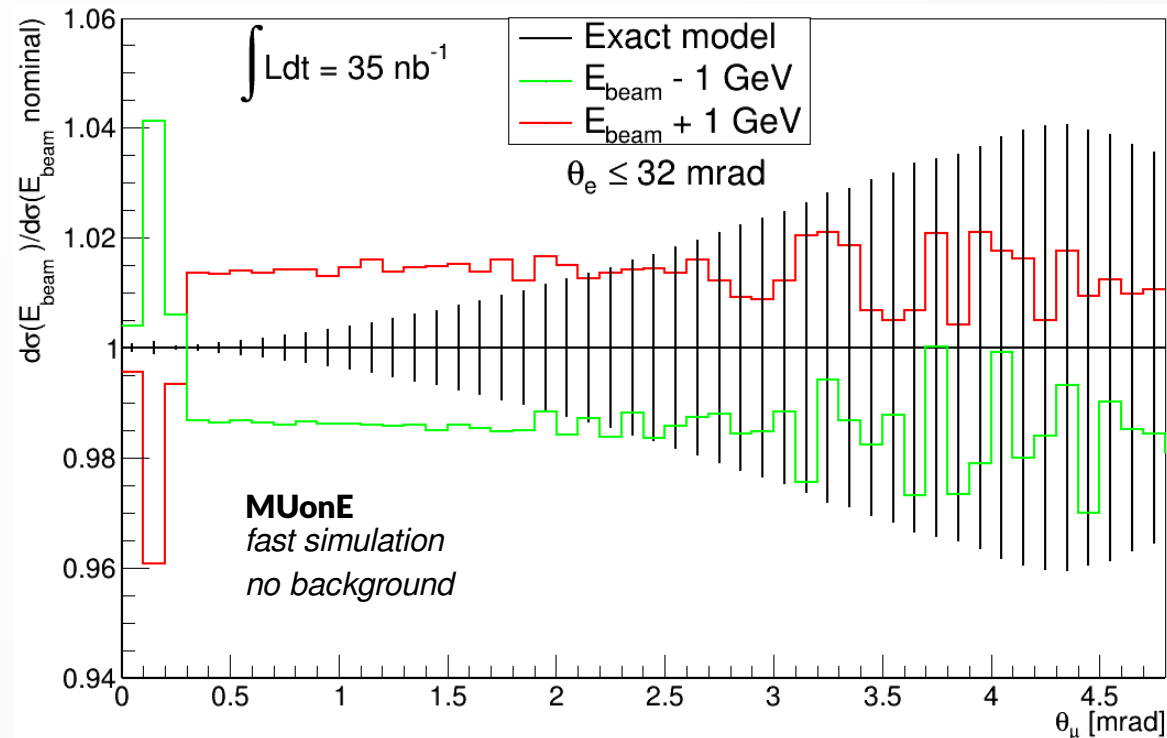


# Systematic error on the muon beam energy



Accelerator division provides  $E_{\text{beam}}$  with  $O(1\%)$  precision ( $\sim 1$  GeV).

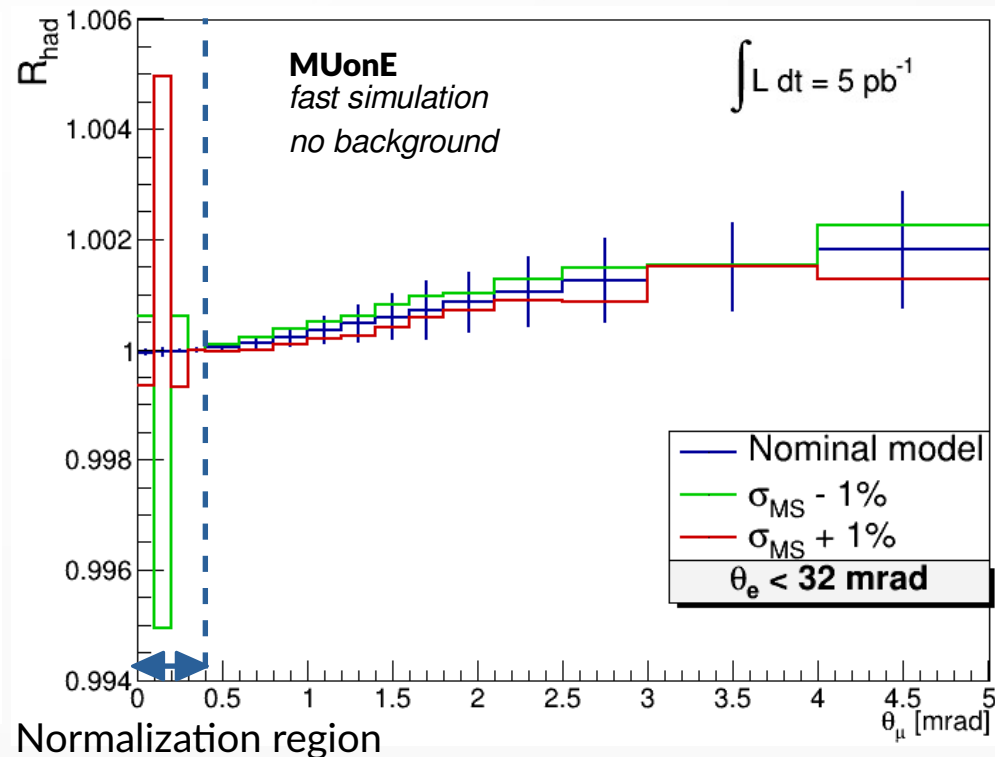
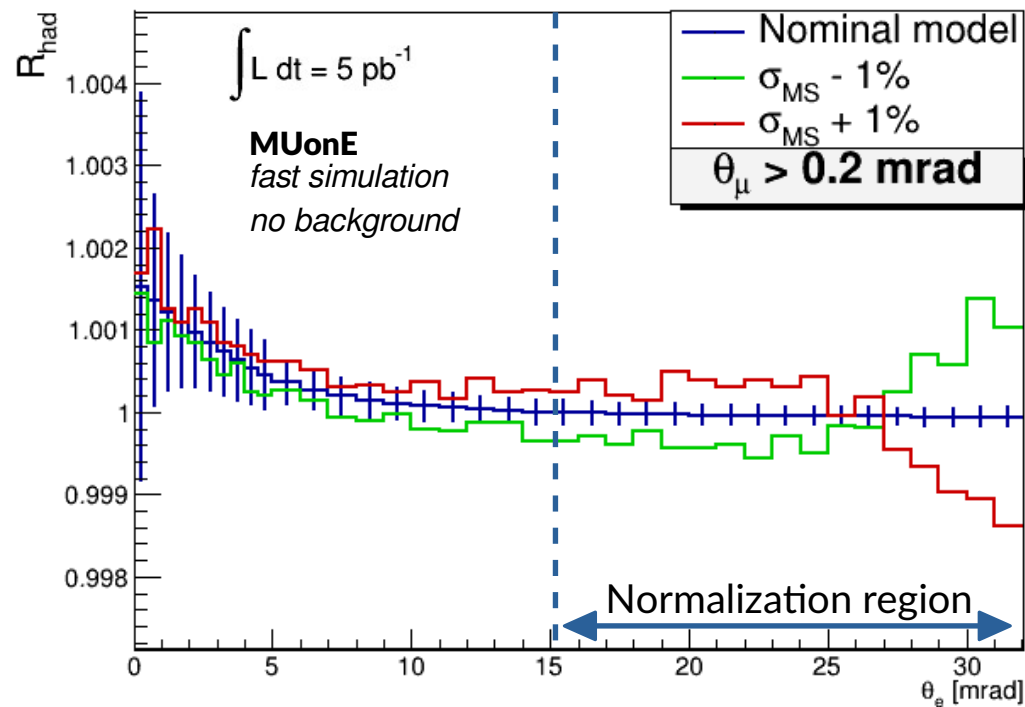
This effect can be seen from our data in 1h of data taking per station.



# Systematic error on the multiple scattering

Expected precision on the multiple scattering model:  $\pm 1\%$

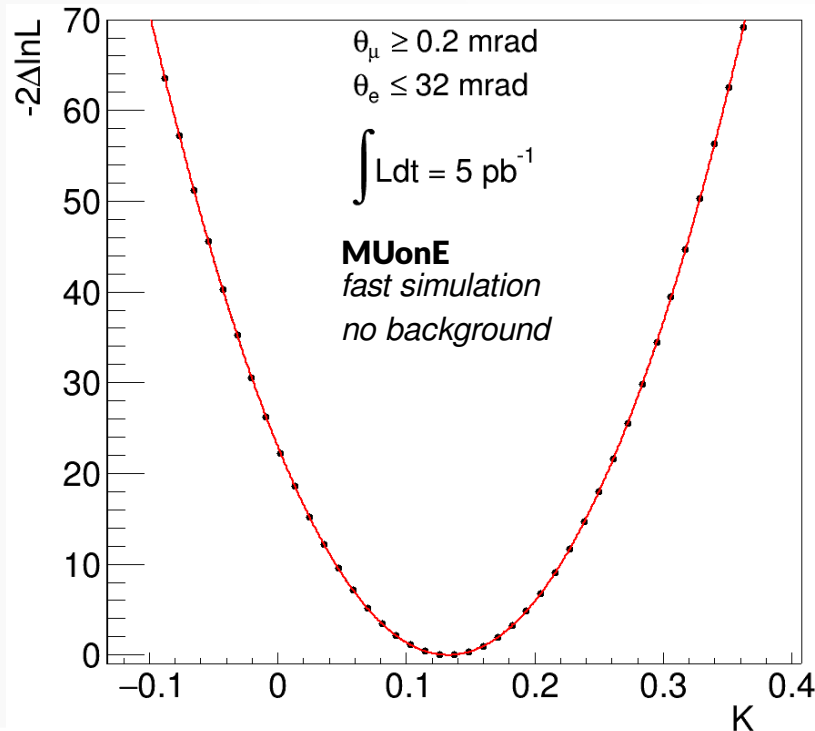
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# Combined fit signal + systematics



- Include residual systematics as nuisance parameters in the fit.
- Simultaneous likelihood fit to  $K$  and systematics using the Combine tool.



- $K_{\text{ref}} = 0.137$
- shift MS: +0.5%
- shift intr. res: +5%
- shift  $E_{\text{beam}}$ : +6 MeV

Selection cuts	Fit results
	$K = 0.133 \pm 0.028$
$\theta_e \leq 32 \text{ mrad}$	$\mu_{\text{MS}} = (0.47 \pm 0.03)\%$
$\theta_\mu \geq 0.2 \text{ mrad}$	$\mu_{\text{Intr}} = (5.02 \pm 0.02)\%$
	$\mu_{E_{\text{Beam}}} = (6.5 \pm 0.5) \text{ MeV}$
	$\nu = -0.001 \pm 0.003$

Similar results also for different selection cuts.

# $\Delta\alpha_{had}$ parameterization



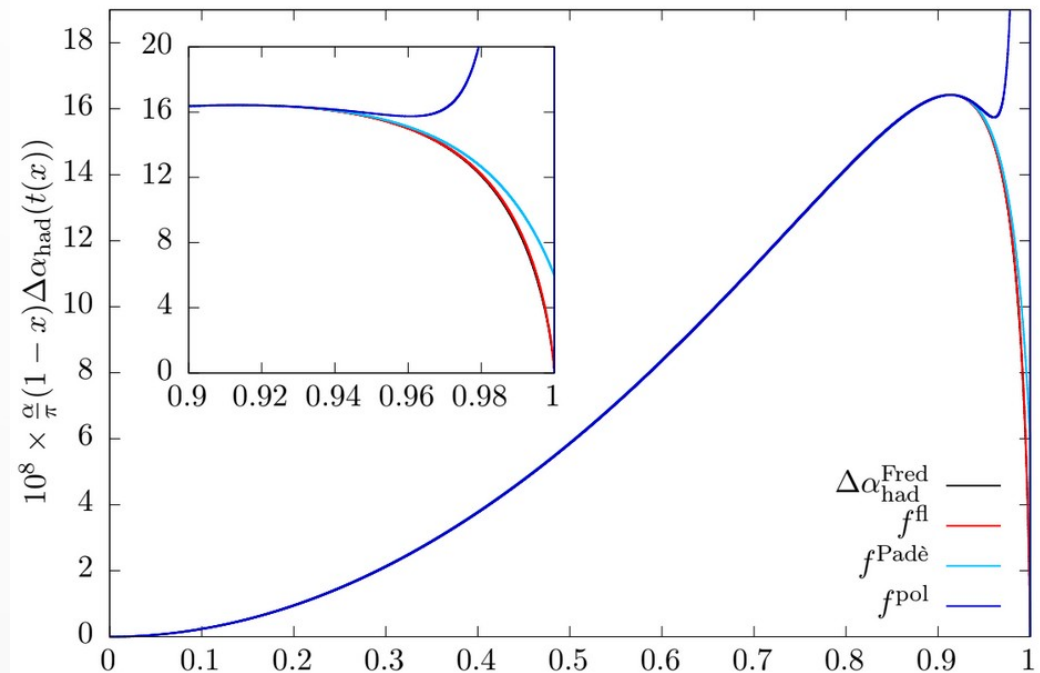
Inspired from the 1 loop QED contribution of lepton pairs and top quark at  $t < 0$

$$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t) = KM \left\{ -\frac{5}{9} - \frac{4M}{3t} + \left( \frac{4M^2}{3t^2} + \frac{M}{3t} - \frac{1}{6} \right) \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}} \ln \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M}{t}}} \right| \right\} \quad \text{2 parameters: } K, M$$

Allows to calculate  
the full value of  $a_{\mu}^{HLO}$

Dominant behaviour in the  
MUnE kinematic region:

$$\Delta\alpha_{had}(t) \simeq -\frac{1}{15} Kt$$



# Alternative method to compute $a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}$ from MUonE data



$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = a_\mu^{\text{HLO (I)}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLO (II)}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLO (III)}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLO (IV)}}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO (I)}} = -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^3 \frac{c_n}{n!} \frac{d^{(n)}}{dt^n} \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO (II)}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s} c_0 s \Pi_{\text{had}}(s) \Big|_{\text{pQCD}}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO (III)}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{3\pi^2} \int_{s_{\text{th}}}^{s_0} \frac{ds}{s} [K(s) - K_1(s)] R(s)$$

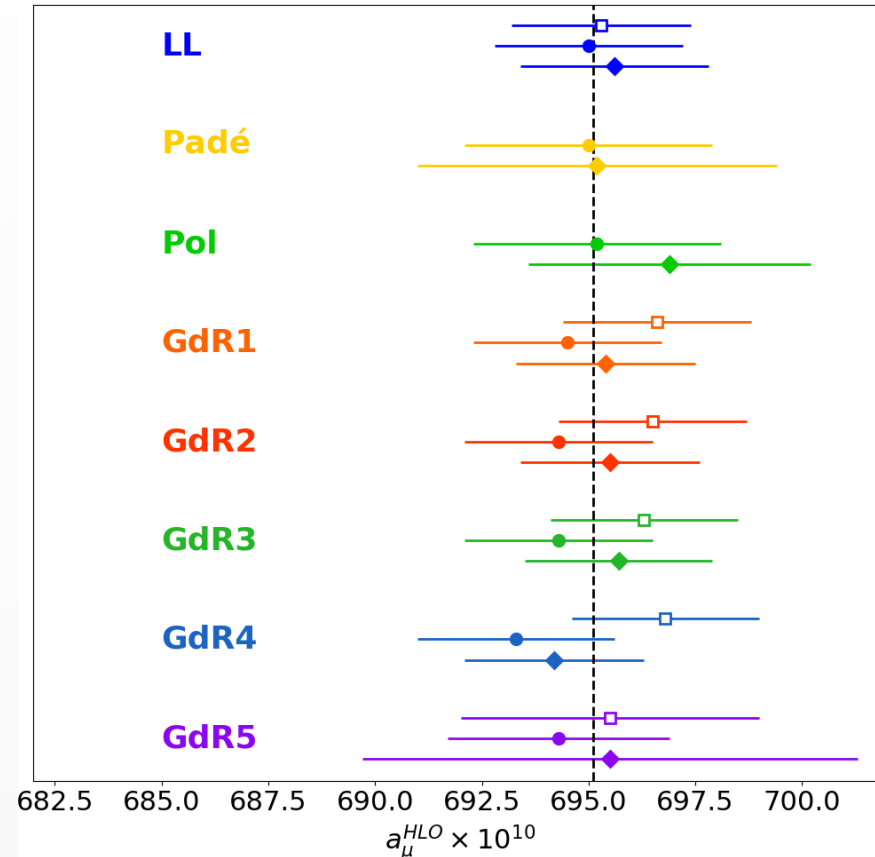
$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO (IV)}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{3\pi^2} \int_{s_0}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{s} [K(s) - \tilde{K}_1(s)] R(s)$$

MUonE  
99%

Time-like  
data  
+  
pQCD  
1%

Insensitive to the parameterization chosen to fit  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(t)$ .

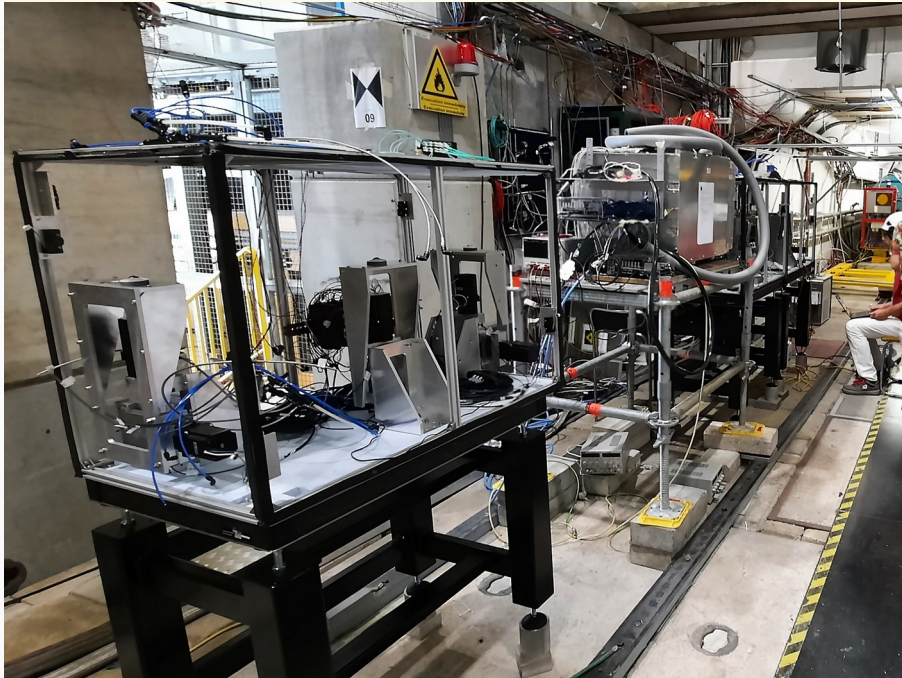
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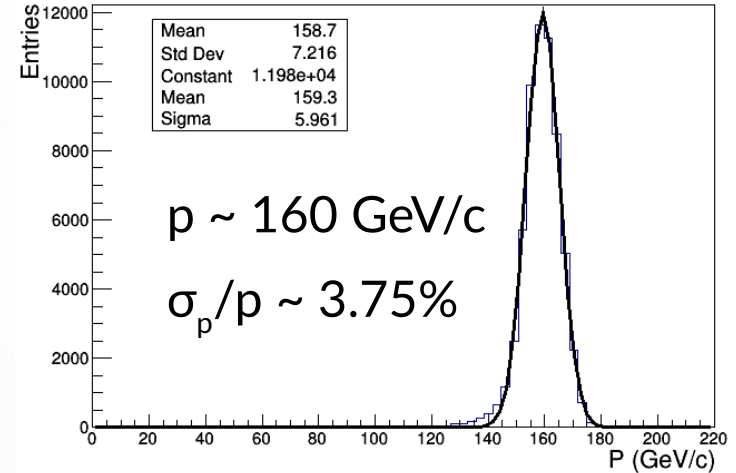




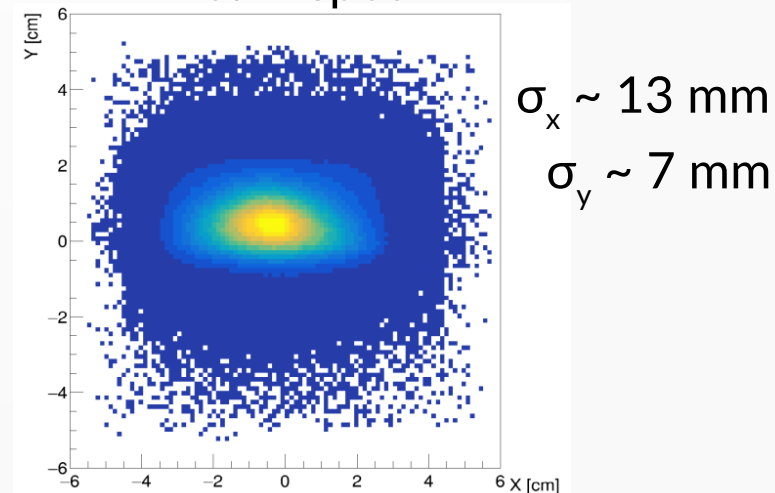
# The M2 beamline



## Beam momentum



## Beam spot

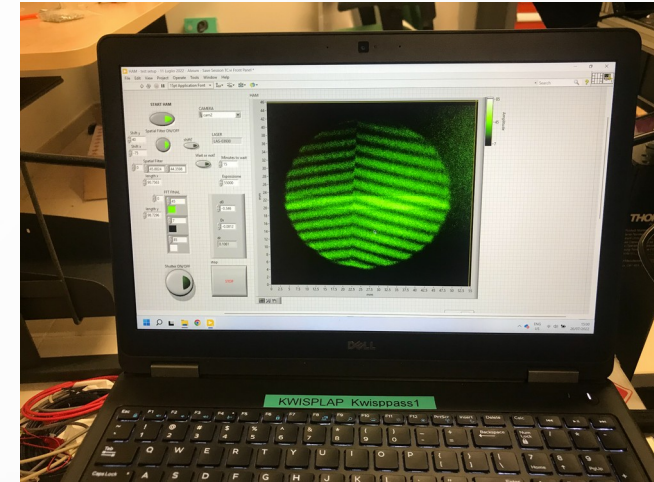
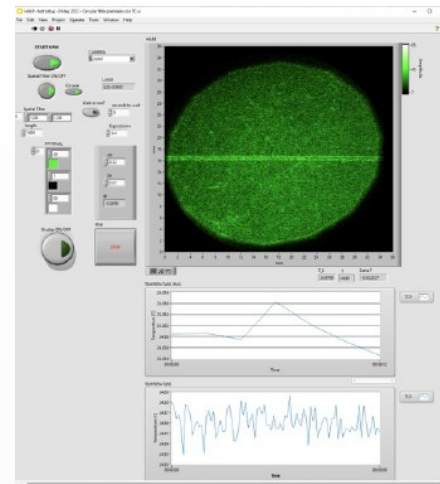


- MUonE location: upstream of the AMBER detector (EHN2).
- Low divergence muon beam:  $\sigma_{x'}$ ,  $\sigma_{y'} < 1 \text{ mrad}$ .
- Spill duration  $\sim 5 \text{ s}$ . Duty cycle  $\sim 25\%$ .
- Maximum rate: **50 MHz** ( $\sim 2 \times 10^8 \mu^+/\text{spill}$ ).

# Laser holographic system



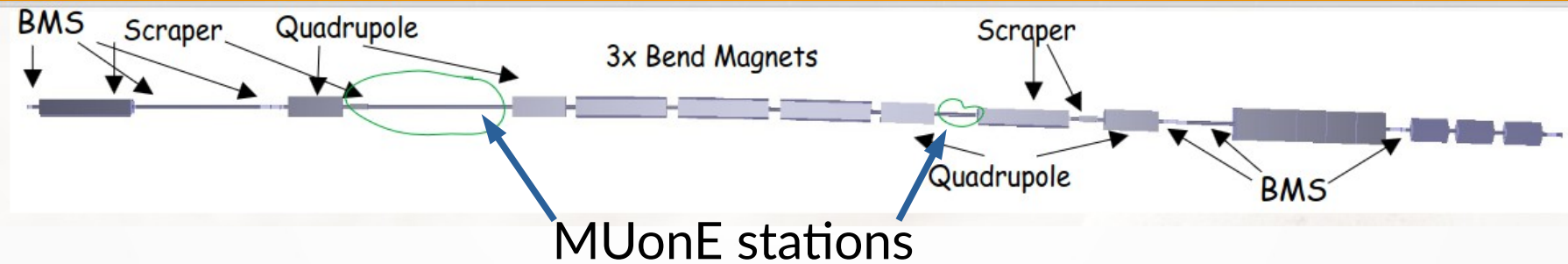
## Initial state



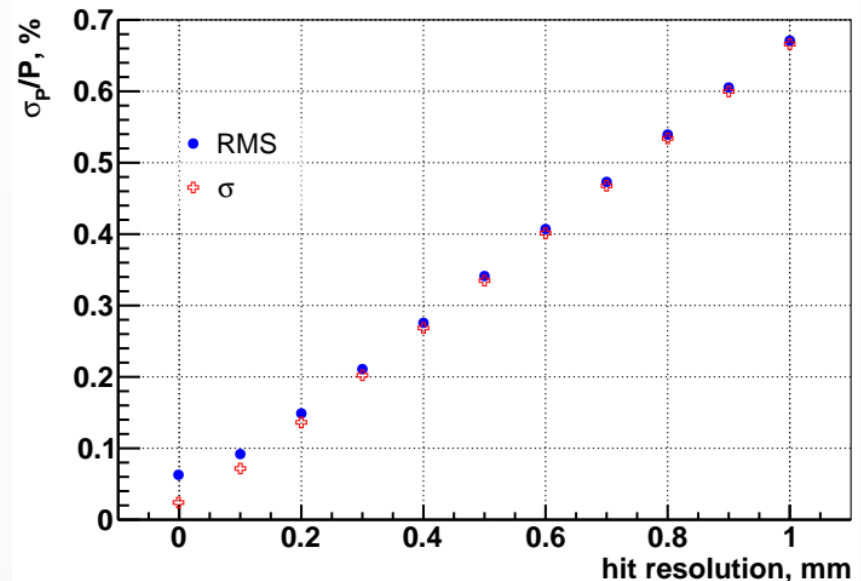
- Compare holographic images of the same object at different times.
- Fringe pattern is related to deformations of the mechanical structure.



# BMS (Beam Momentum System)



- Bending power:  $16 \text{ T}\cdot\text{m}$  (30 mrad @160 GeV)
- Replace the current scintillator detectors used by COMPASS/AMBER with MUonE tracking stations, fully equipped with prototype 2S modules.
- Determine the muon momentum event by event.
- Improve the momentum resolution from  $\sim 1\%$  to  $\sim 0.3\%$  (limited by the knowledge of the magnetic field).



# GEANT4 simulations



TB2017 (resolution  $\sim 7\mu\text{m}$ )

TB2018 (resolution  $\sim 40\mu\text{m}$ )

Tracker only

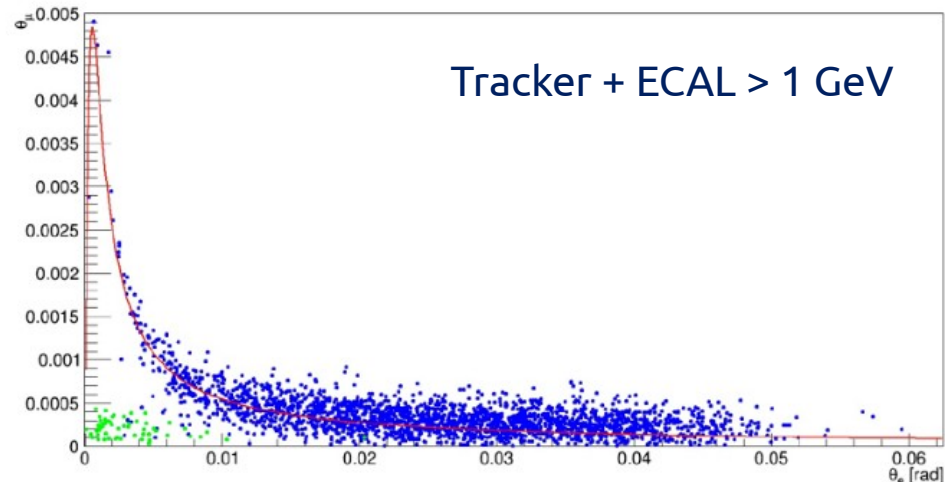
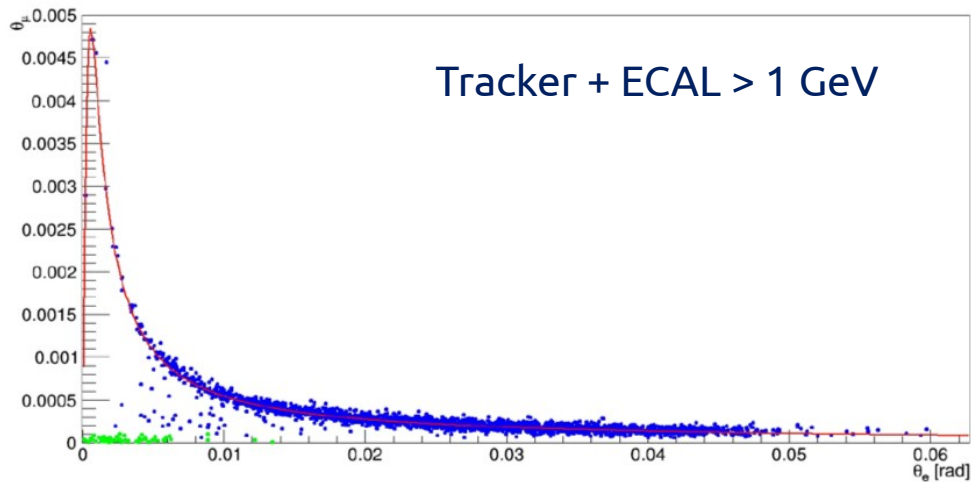
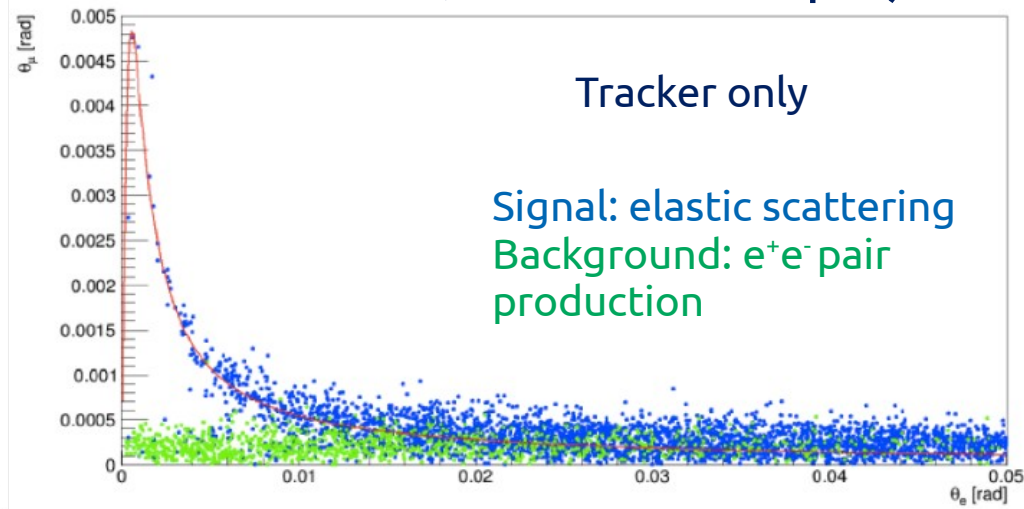
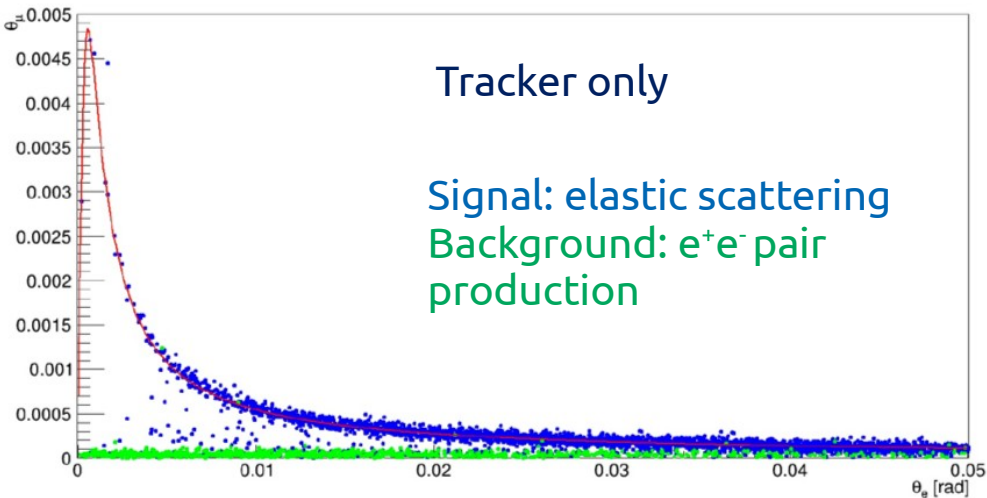
Signal: elastic scattering  
Background:  $e^+e^-$  pair  
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Tracker + ECAL  $> 1$  GeV

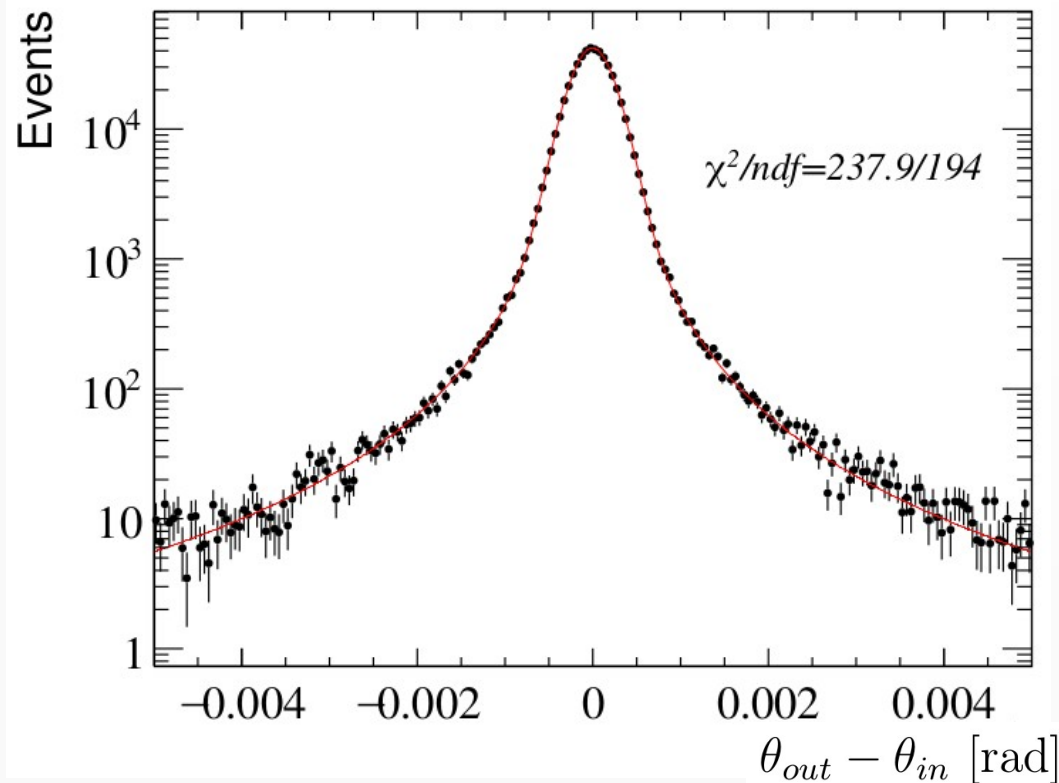
Tracker + ECAL  $> 1$  GeV



# Multiple scattering: results from TB2017



$$f_e(\delta\theta_e^x) = N \left[ (1 - a) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_G} e^{-\frac{(\delta\theta_e^x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma_G^2}} + a \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\nu\pi}\sigma_T\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left( 1 + \frac{(\delta\theta_e^x - \mu)^2}{\nu\sigma_T^2} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}} \right]$$



$$\vec{p} = [N, a, \mu, \sigma_G, \nu, \sigma_T]$$

Results show a ~1% agreement between data and MC for the Gaussian core

