

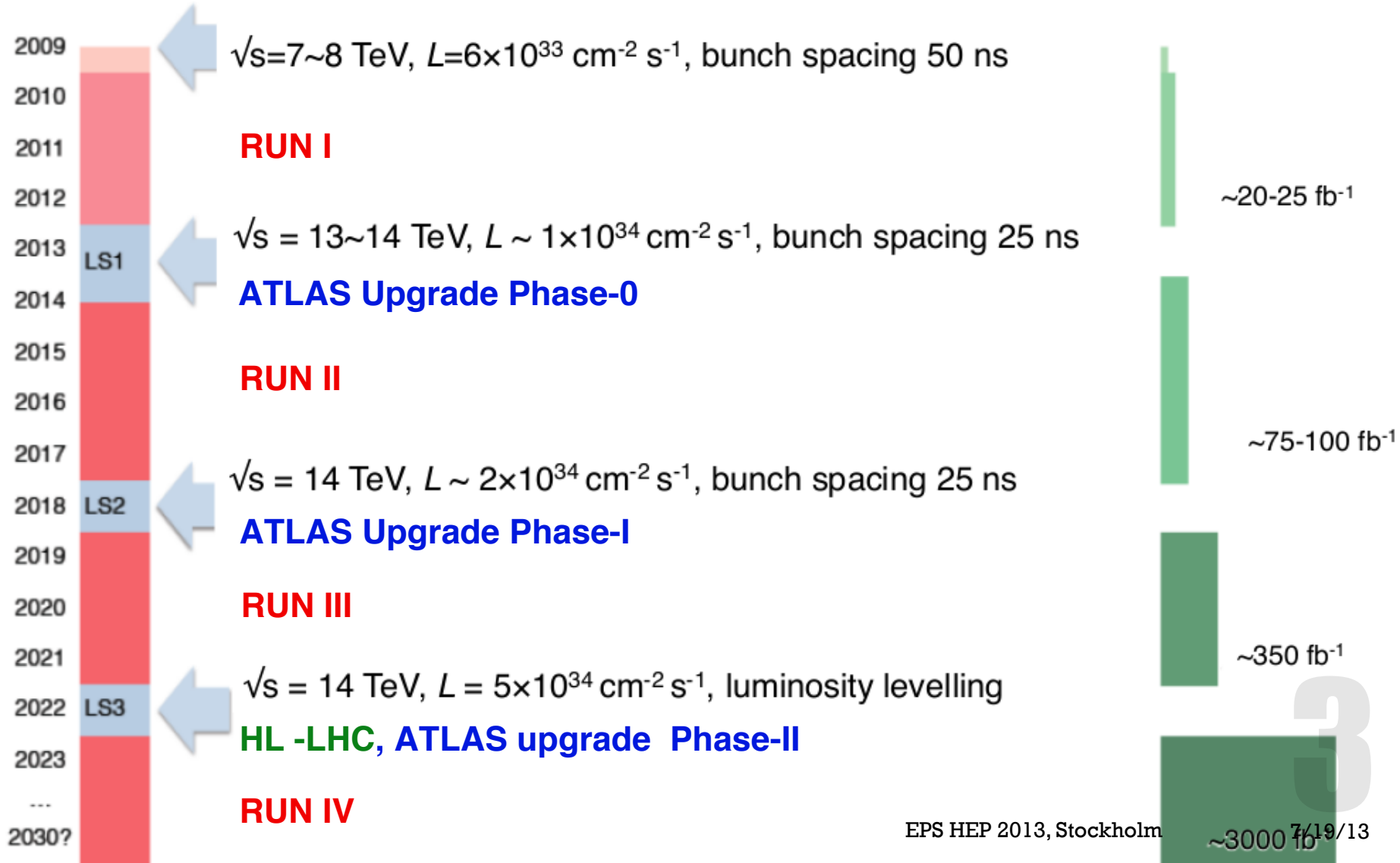
From test bench to new  
small wheel –  
small strip thin gap chamber

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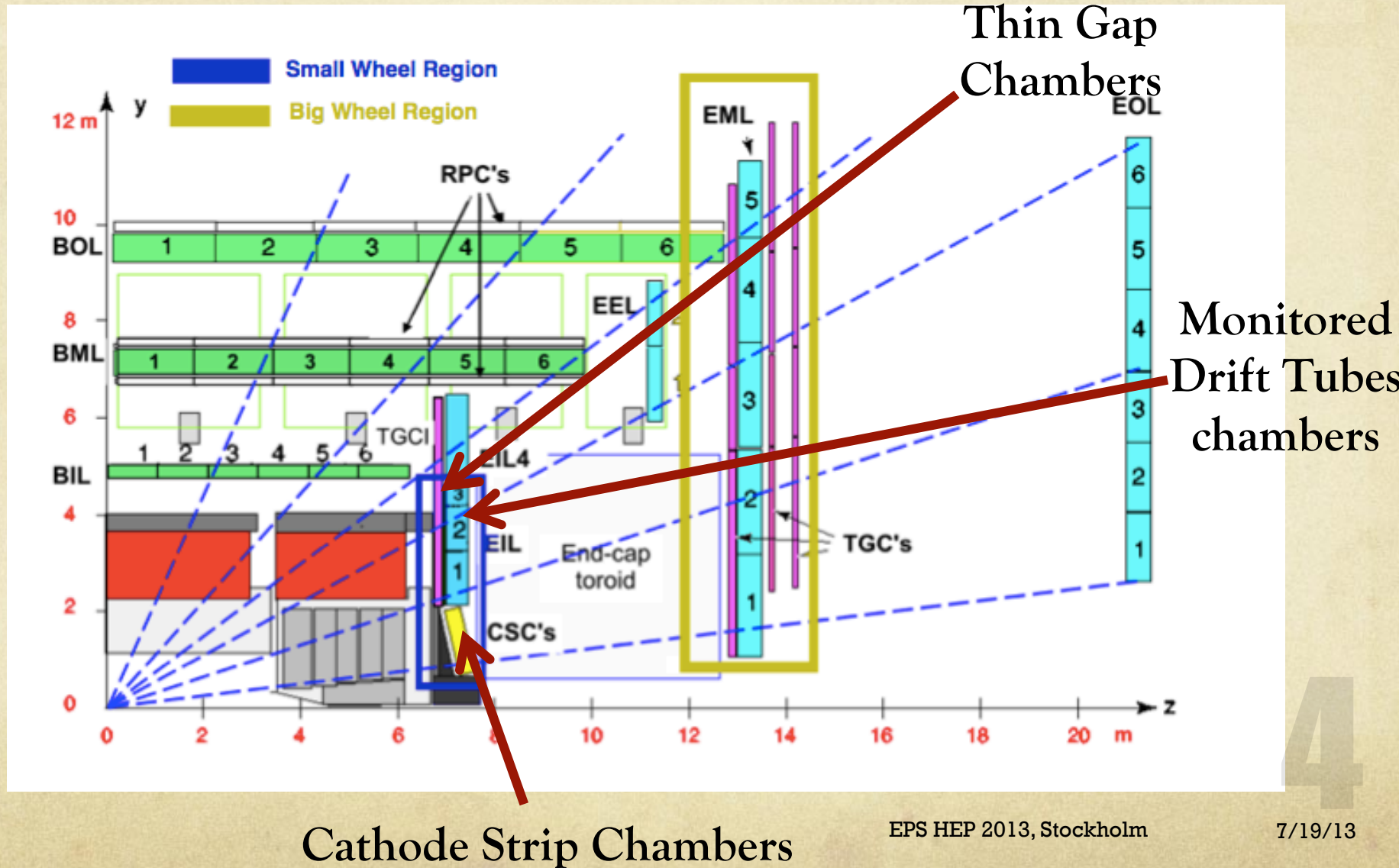
# outline

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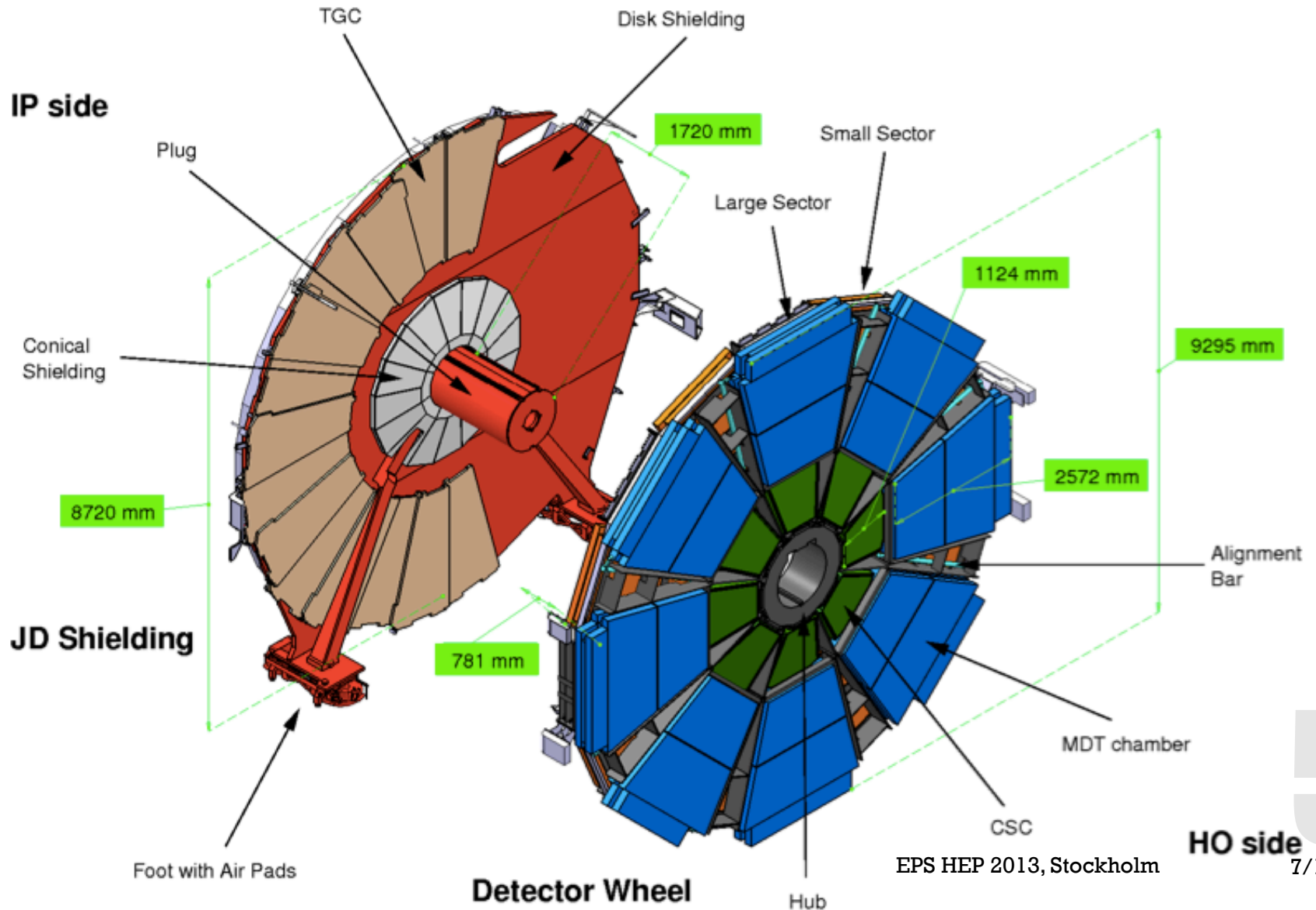
# LHC plans



# Actual Small wheel



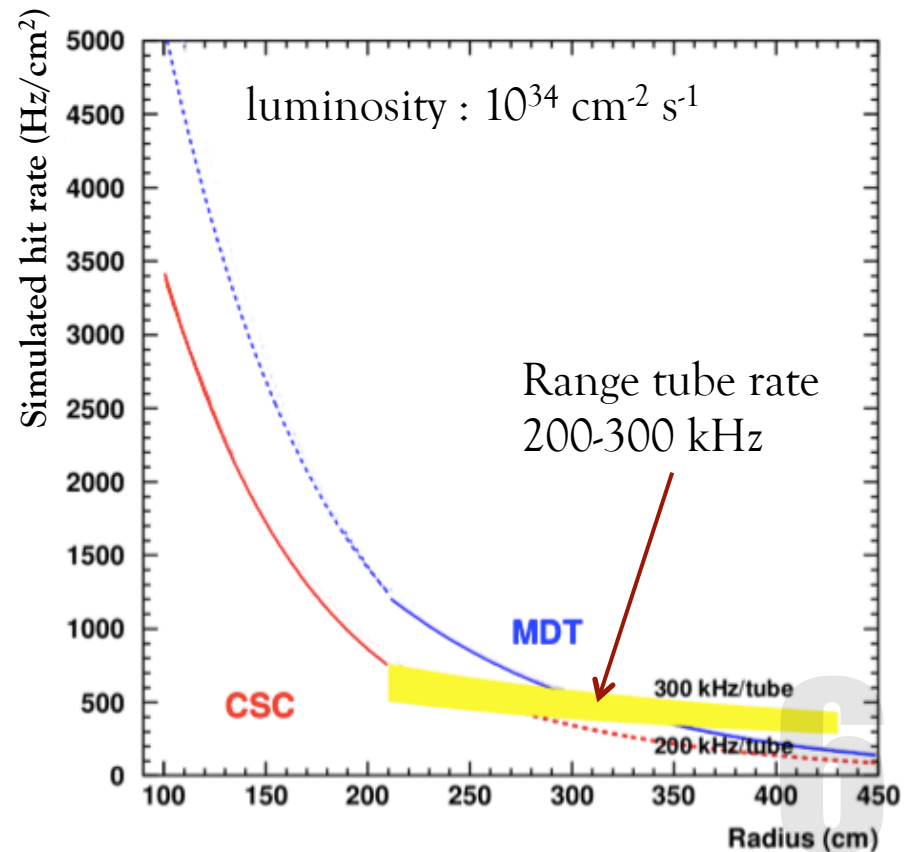
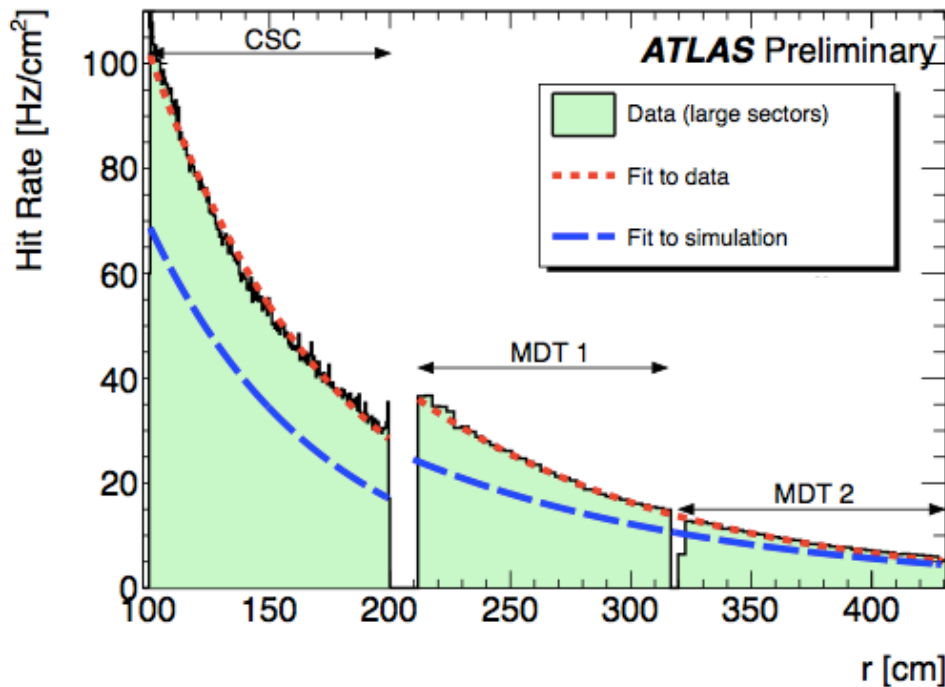
# Actual Small wheel



# Why upgrade ?

- Performance of the muon tracking chambers will be degraded with the luminosity increase
- Muon end caps trigger will have too high fake rate

Average luminosity :  $9.6 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



# MDT efficiency

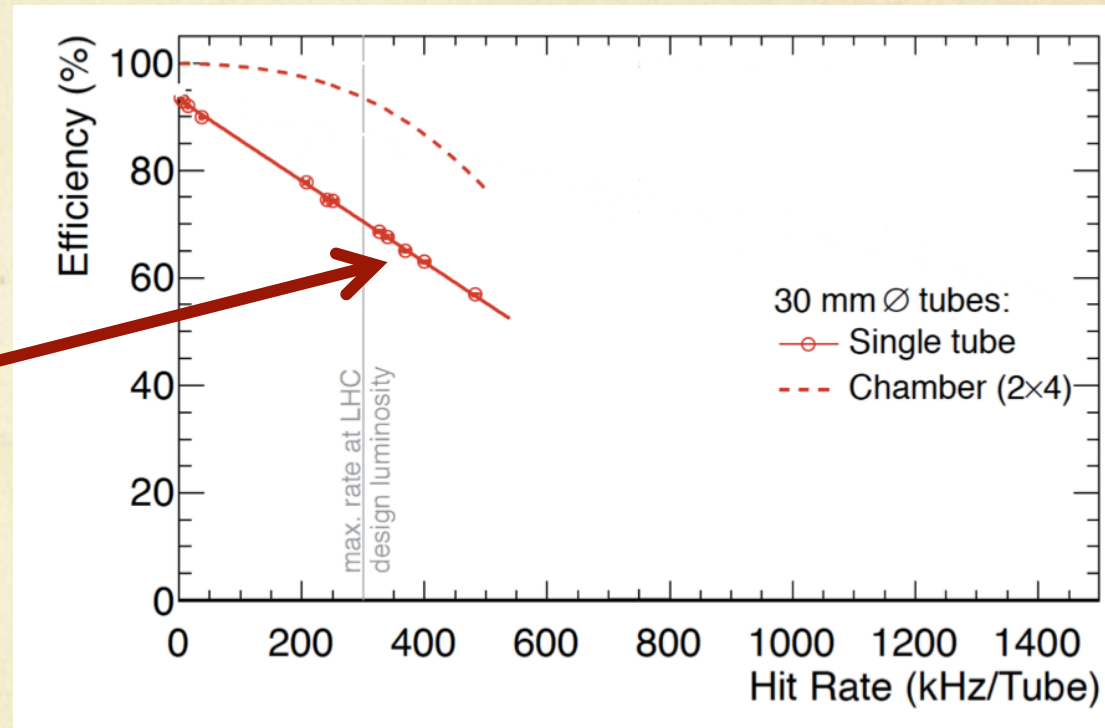
H. Kroha and al, Construction and Test of a Full Prototype Drift-Tube Chamber for the Upgrade of the ATLAS Muon Spectrometer at High LHC Luminosities, Nucl.Instrum.Meth. (2012).

Loss at least 35% at high luminosity



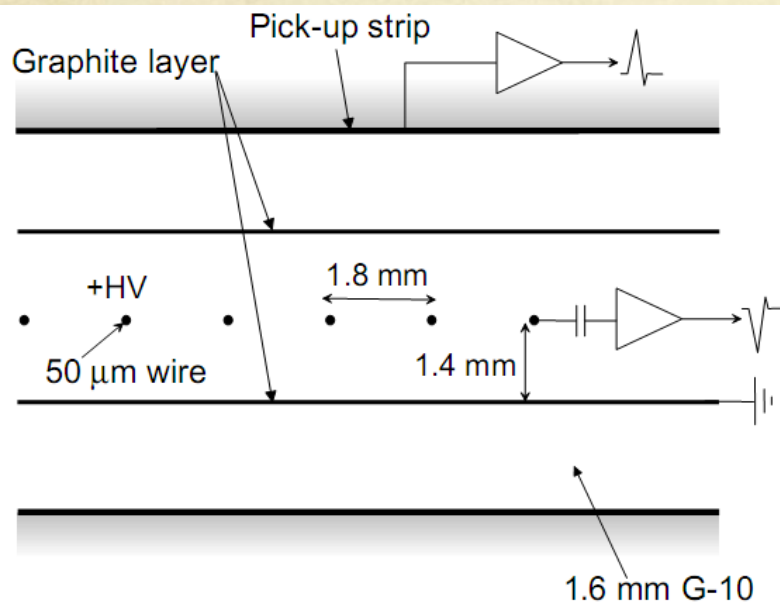
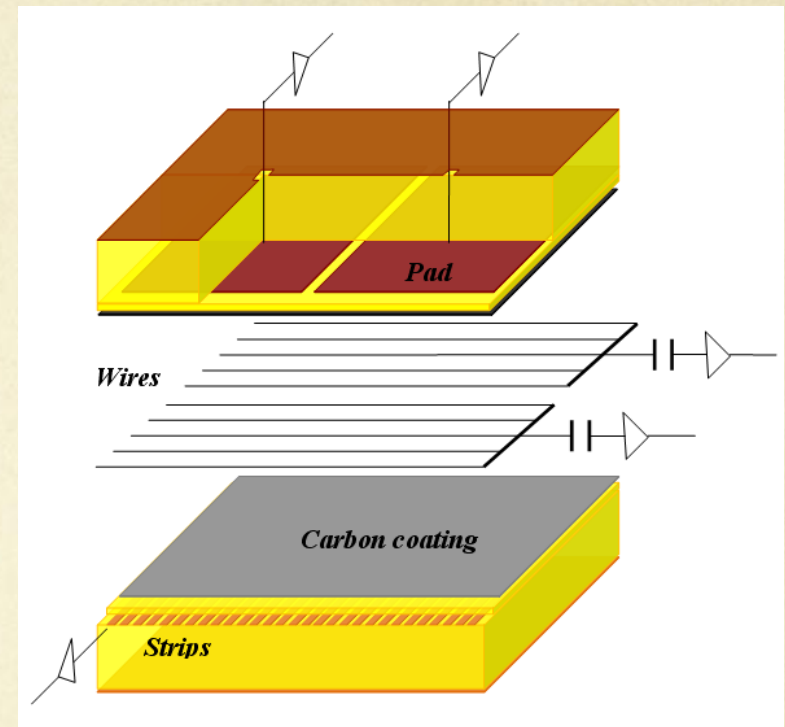
New Small wheel is needed with :  
100  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution

Online muon track reconstruction with 1 mrad precision



# Small Thin Gap Chamber

sTGC geometry	
Wire-carbon gap	1.4 mm
Wire-wire space	1.8 mm
Strip pitch	3.2 mm
Inter strip gap	0.5 mm
Gas mixture	CO <sub>2</sub> :n-pentane (55:45)
Wire potential	2.9 kV



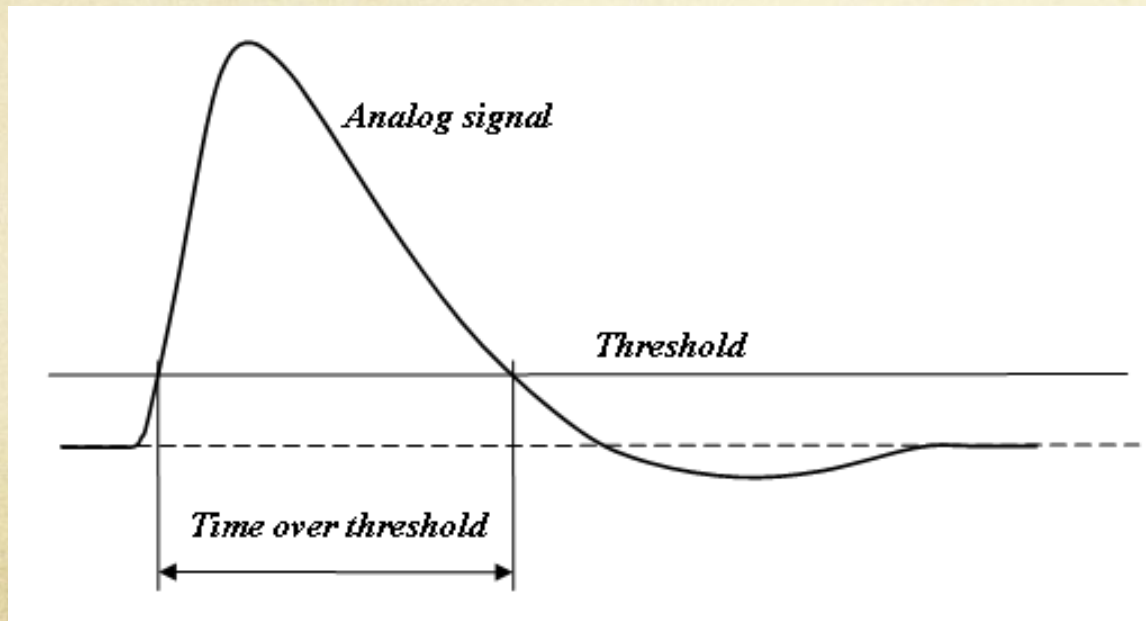
**Quadruplet = 4 sTGCs :**  
 4 wires planes  
 4 strips planes  
 4 pads planes



# sTGC Front End for the test benches

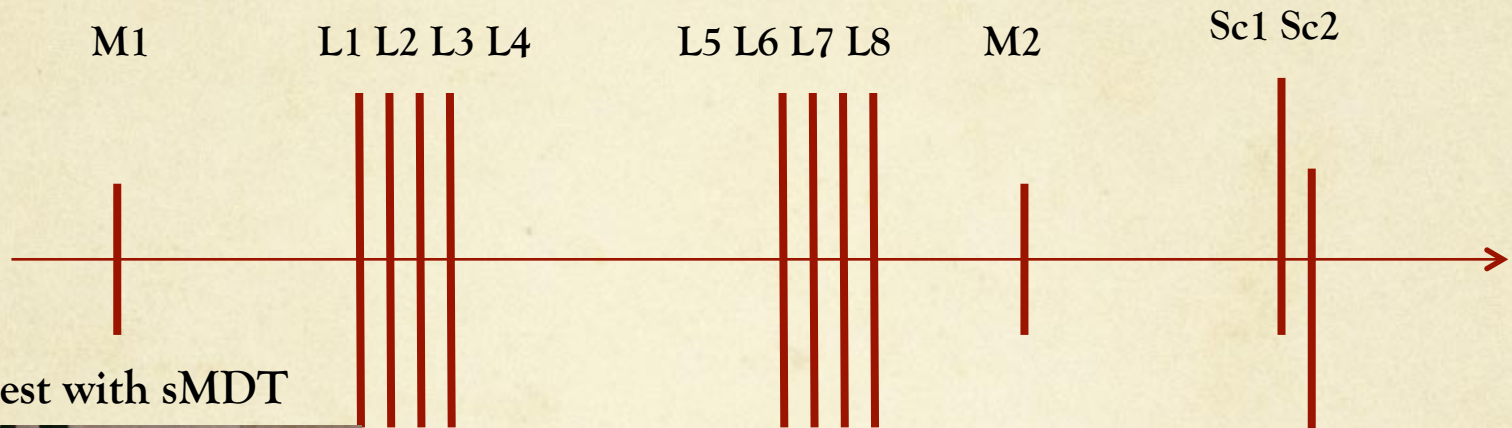
- From 2008 to mid 2012, the Amplifier Shaper Discriminator (ASD) developed by KEK was used
- Peaking time : 17 ns ; Gain 0.8 V/pC
- Provides an analog and digital signal

ASD IC for the thin gap chambers in the LHC ATLAS experiment, Sasaki, O., Nuclear Science Symposium, 1998. Conference Record. 1998 IEEE

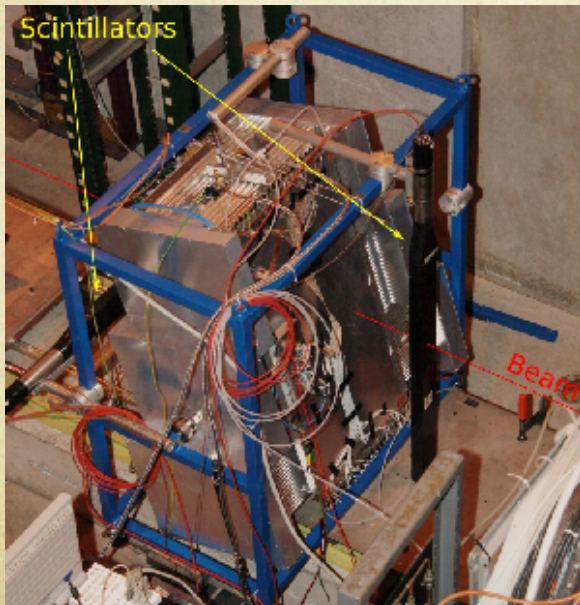


# Muon test beam set up

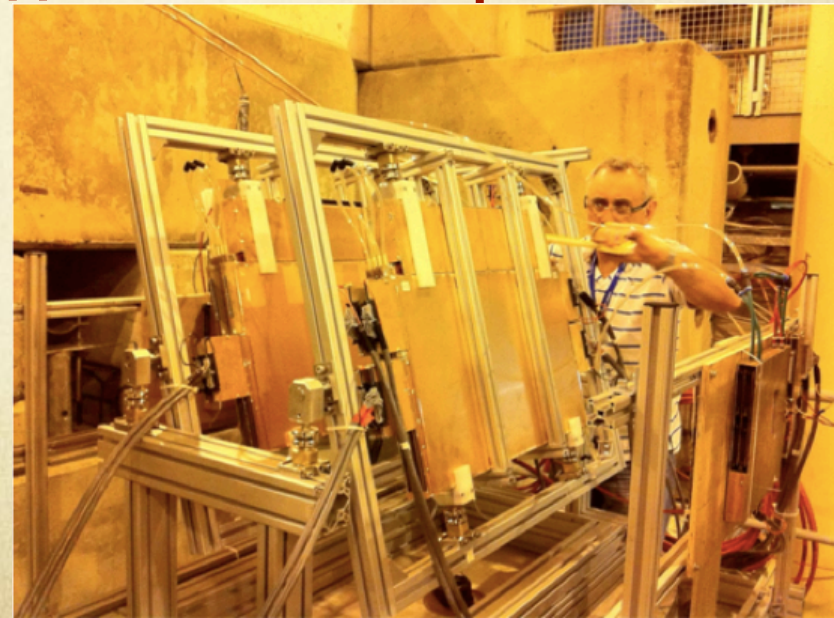
- Muon test beams at CERN (180 GeV)
- two quadruplets equipped with ASD, two monitor chambers (small TGC chambers M1 and M2) and two scintillators



Combined test with sMDT



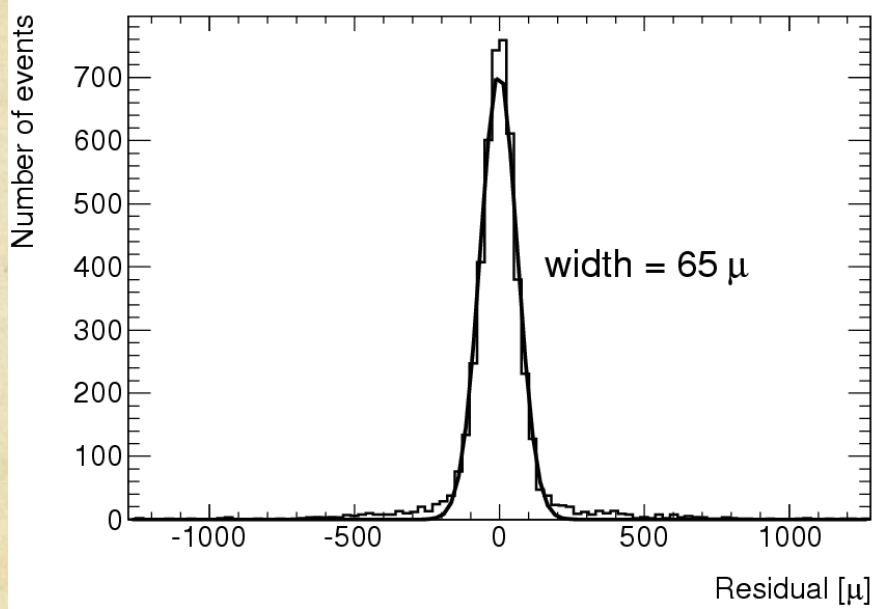
Mechanical system that allows to rotate the TGC with high accuracy



Test of spatial resolution and trigger efficiency of a combined Thin Gap and Fast Drift Tube Chambers for high-luminosity LHC upgrades  
Nuclear Science Symposium and Medical Imaging Conference (NSS/MIC), 2011 IEEE

# Position resolution

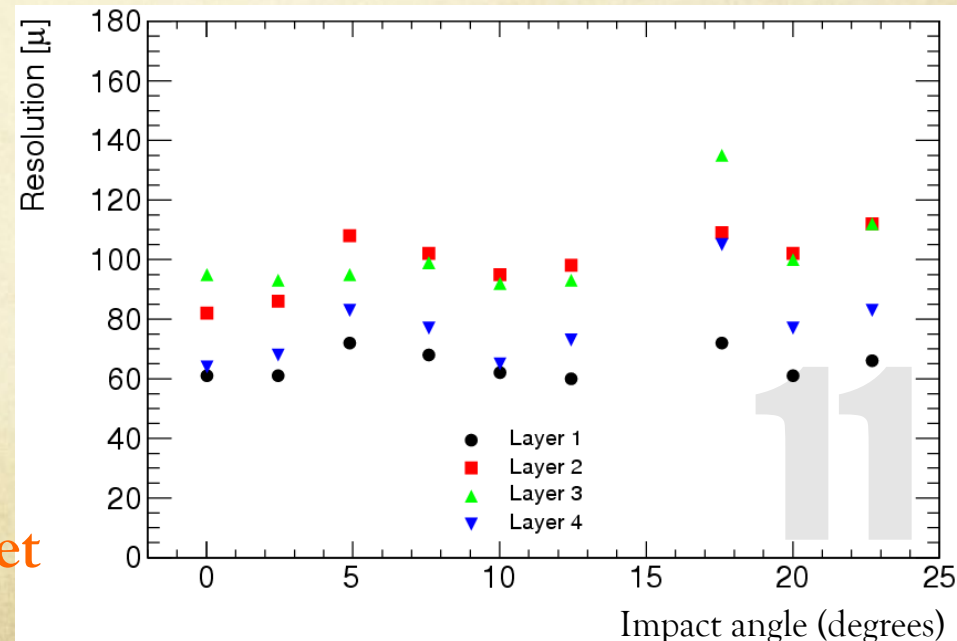
Resolution : difference between expected position from track fit (3 planes) and measured position (4<sup>th</sup> plane)



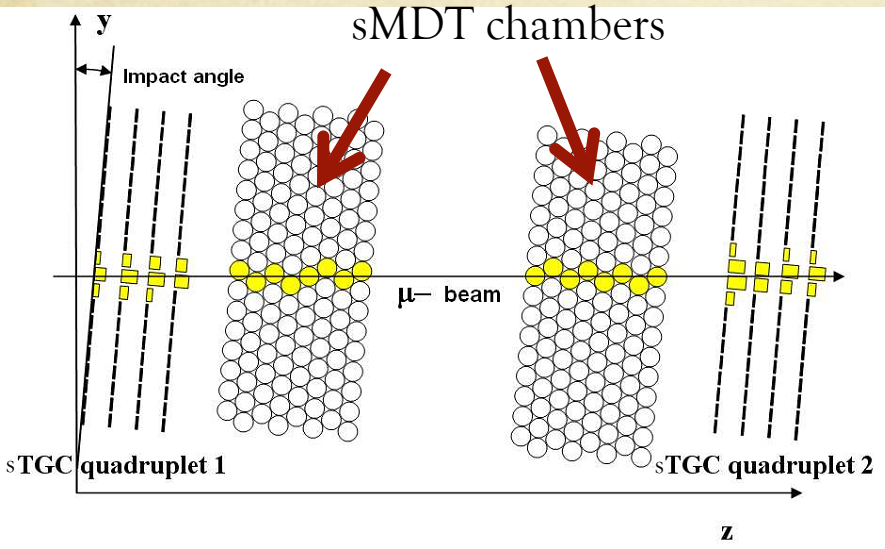
Position resolution as a function of the incidence angle for the different layers of a sTGC



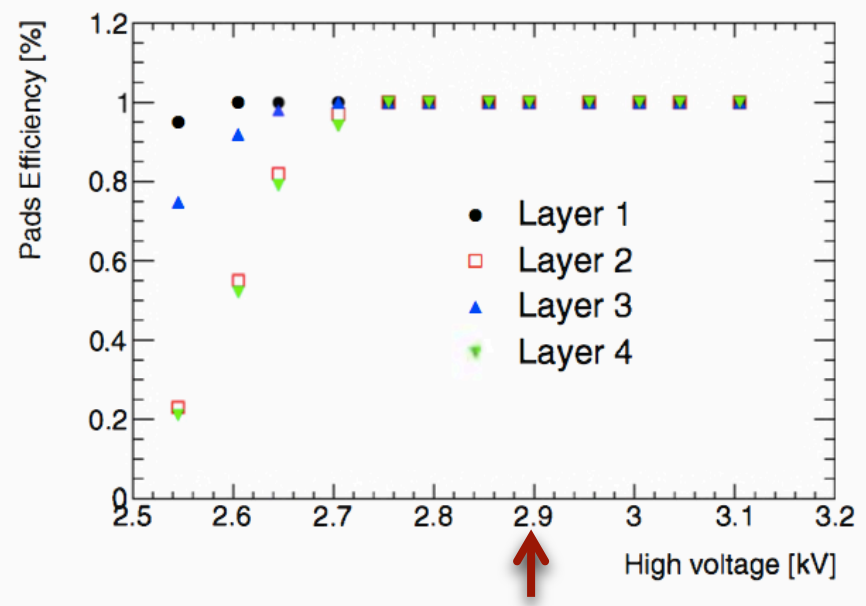
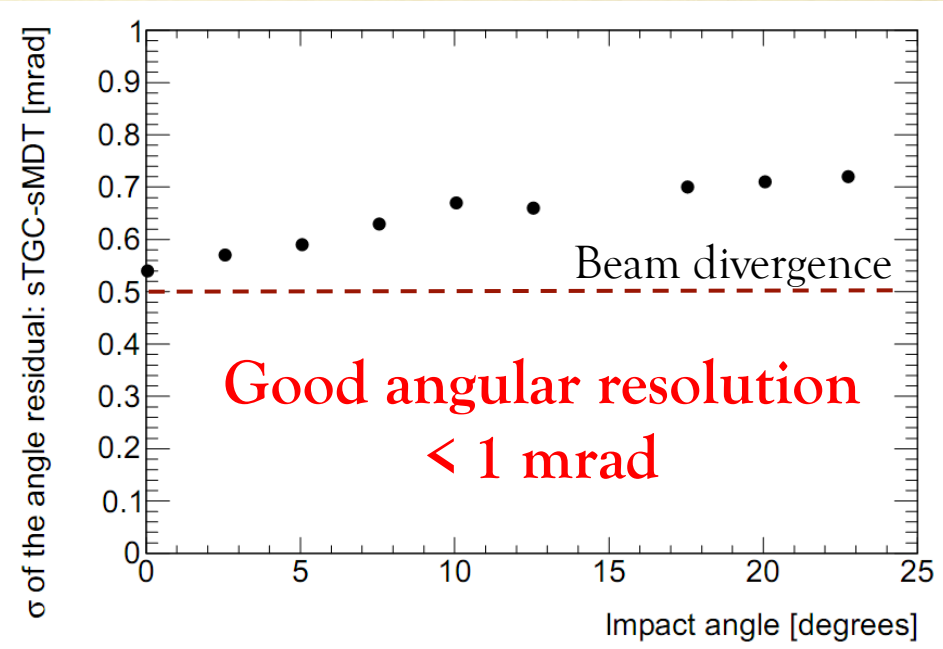
Good homogeneity of the quadruplet  
Resolution < 100  $\mu$ m



# Angular resolution and pads efficiency



Combined test beam with sMDT chambers in muon beam (180 GeV) at CERN

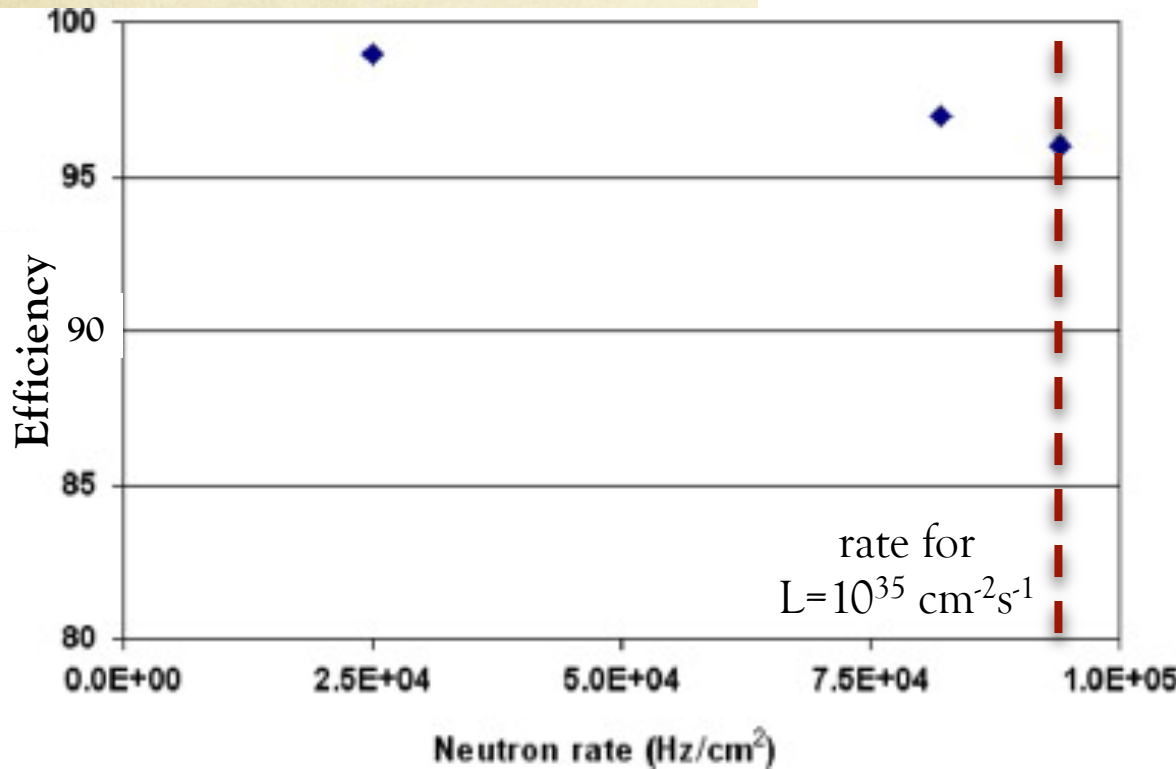
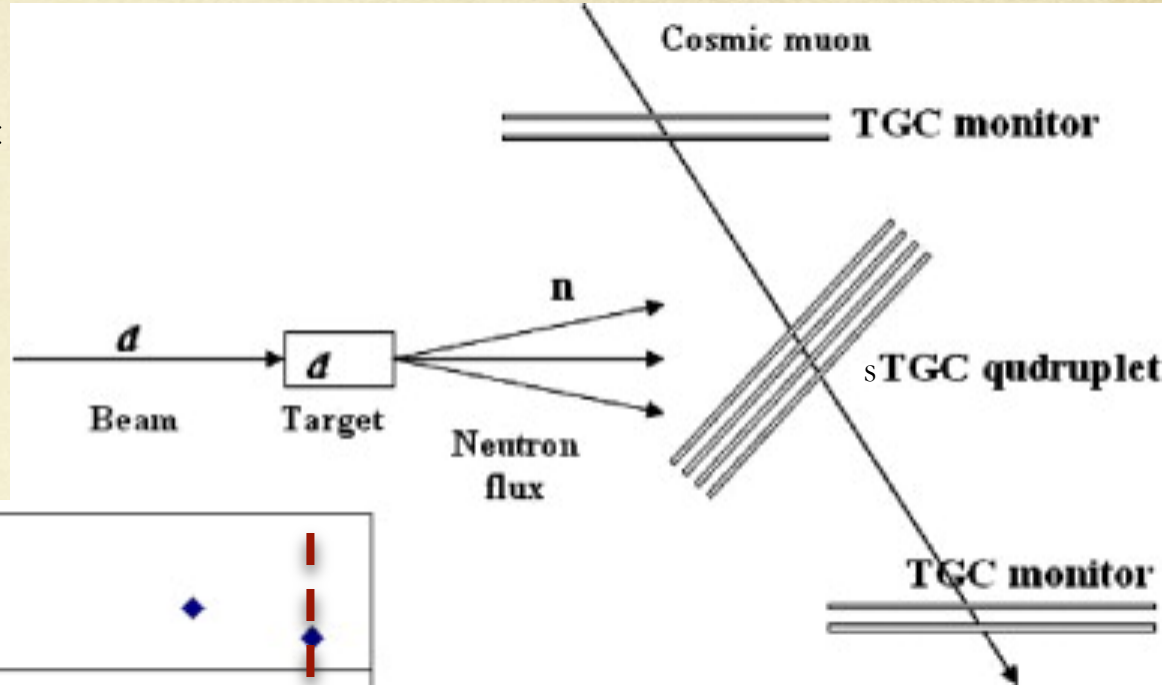


**Efficiency above 99% for all layers above 2.75 kV**



# Irradiation with neutrons

Test in Demokritos (Greece) :  
Cosmic muons tracking  
under neutron (5.5-6.5 MeV)  
irradiation



No drastic degradation of  
the efficiency : less than  
4% at the highest dose rate

No sparks observed

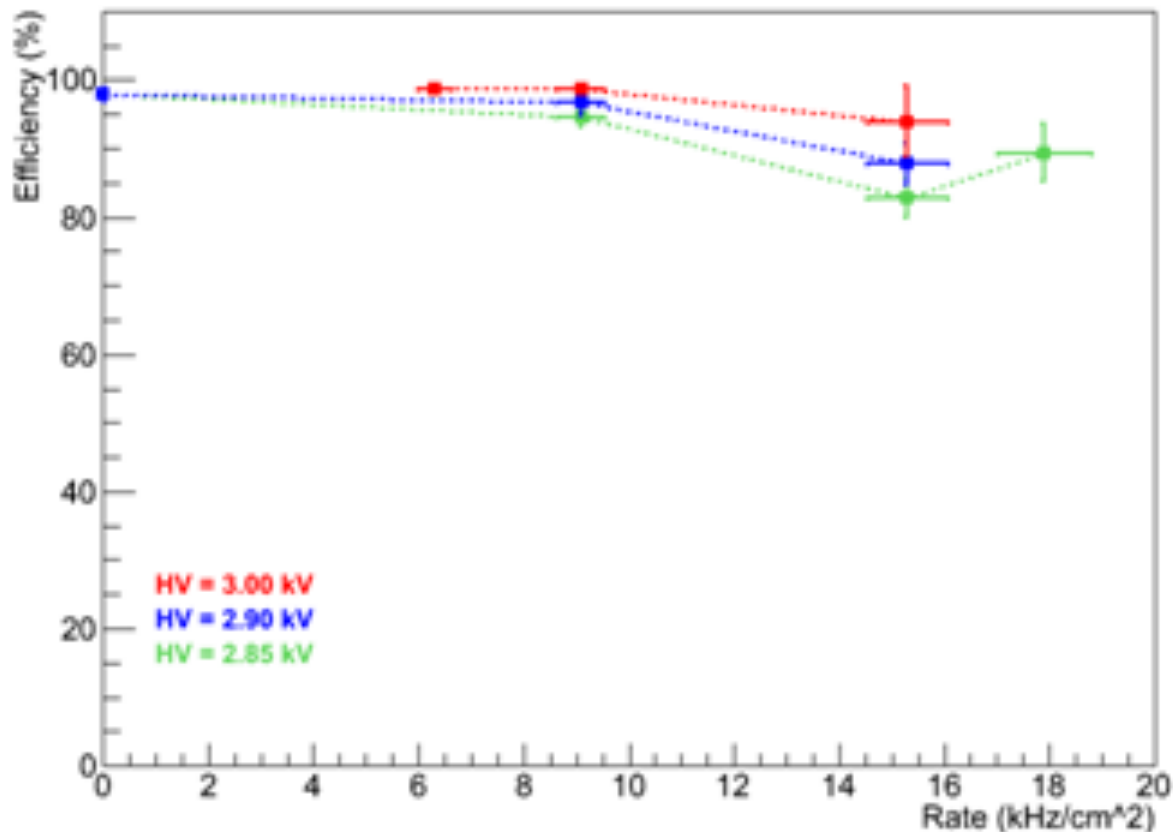
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# Irradiation with $^{60}\text{Co}$ source

Tests at Nahal Soreq (IL).

Cosmic muons detection under gamma ( $\sim 50$  Ci  $^{60}\text{Co}$  source) irradiation. sTGC is  $120 \times 70 \text{ cm}^2$  was totally irradiated.

sTGC radiation test @ Nahal Soreq, Jan 2012 (prelim.)



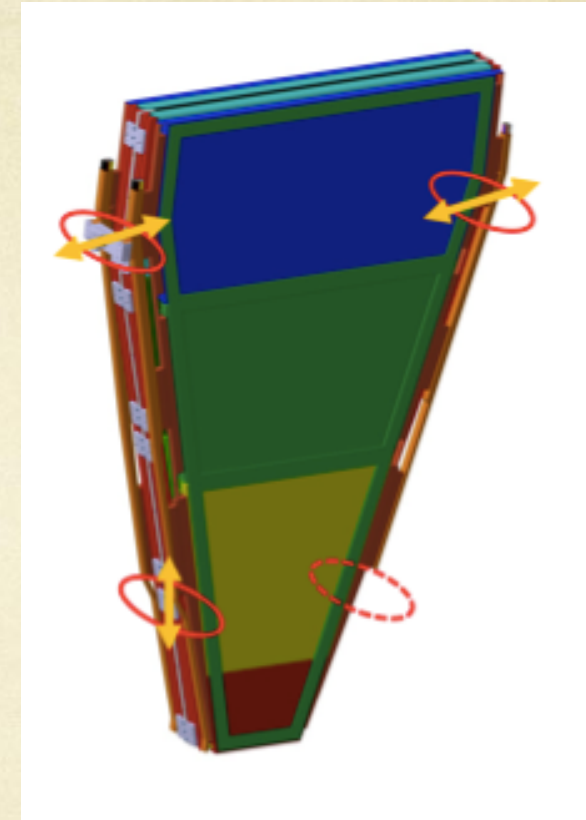
Position resolution and efficiency measurements with large scale Thin Gap Chambers for the super LHC, arXiv:1006.0135 [physics.ins-det]

**No efficiency deterioration observed for a flux of  $2 \cdot 10^4$  Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>**

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# New Small Wheel

- Decision to build the NSW with 2 chamber technologies :
  - sTGC devoted to the level 1 trigger
  - micro mesh gaseous structure or Micromegas (MM) dedicated to precision tracking
- The sTGC-MM is a fully redundant system :
  - sTGC can measure muon track with high precision
  - MM can confirm the muon track existence



# New FE ASIC for the NSW : VMM




- New ASIC common for MM and sTGC designed in 2011. we received it in 2012
- Front end provides
  - 64 channels
  - Time to peak
  - Time over threshold
  - Adjustable gain : from 0.5 to 9 V/pC
  - Adjustable peaking time : from 25 to 200 ns
  - Threshold per channel

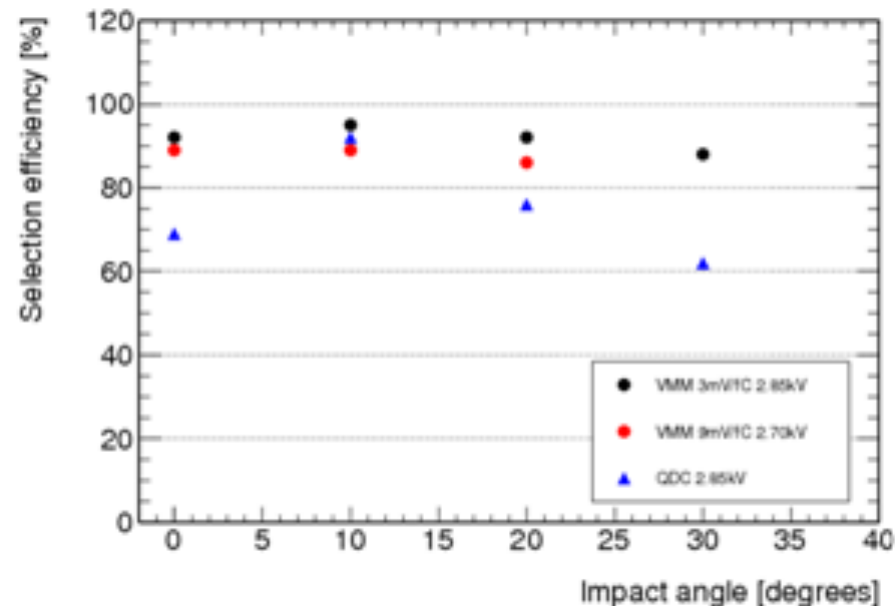
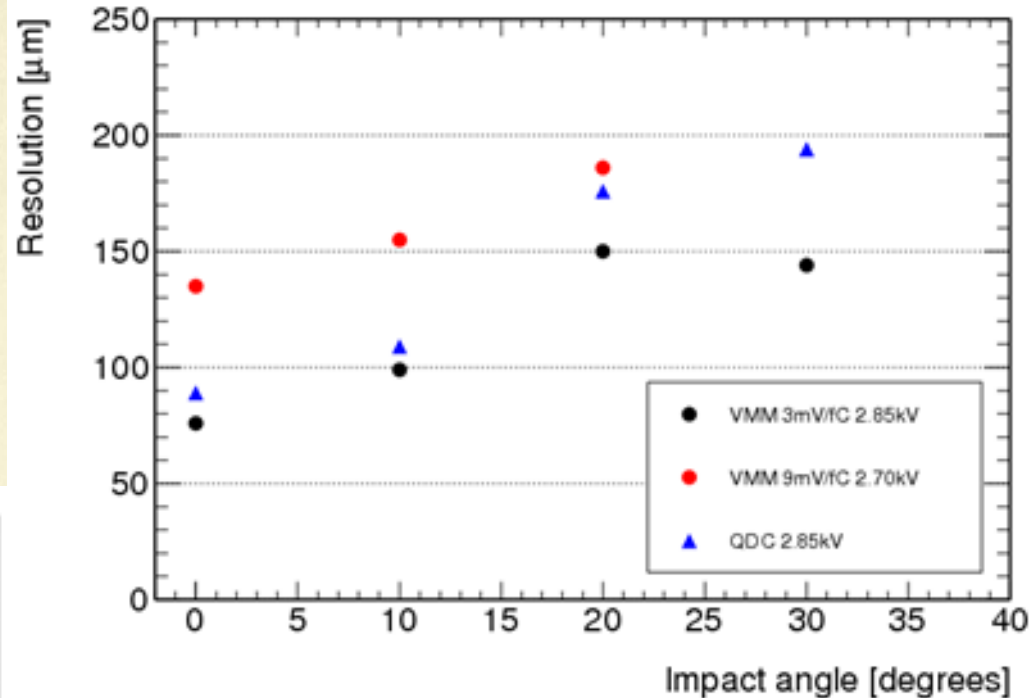
VMM1—An ASIC for Micropattern Detectors, G de Geronimo IEEE Trans.Nucl.Sci. 99 (2013) 1-8.



# Result sTGC strip + VMM1

In last test beam, strip readout was realized with ASD and VMM

-  ASD analog output (HV=2.85 kV)
-  VMM 3mV/fC (HV=2.85kV)
-  VMM 9mV/fC (HV=2.7kV)



Except for a few minor problems,  
all VMM features are working

  
VMM2

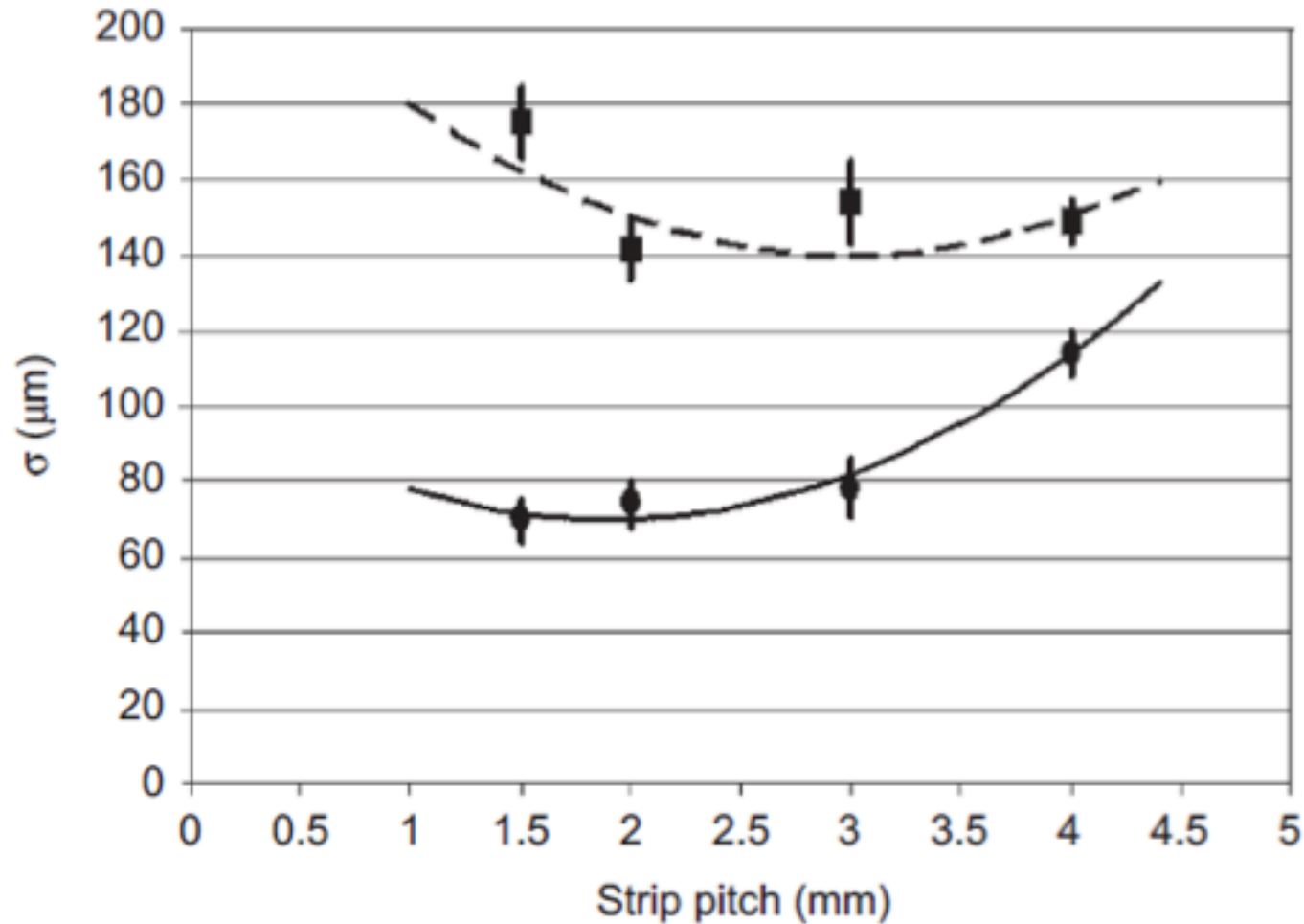
# Conclusion

- sTGC are able to support high flux radiation without loss of trigger efficiency and position resolution
- Sandwich with micromegas : MM for tracking purpose and sTGC for trigger (fully redundant)
- First prototype of a new front end designed for MM and sTGC gave good results
- NSW will be able to provide muon level 1 information and good tracking system at luminosities up to  $10^{35} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

# Backup slides

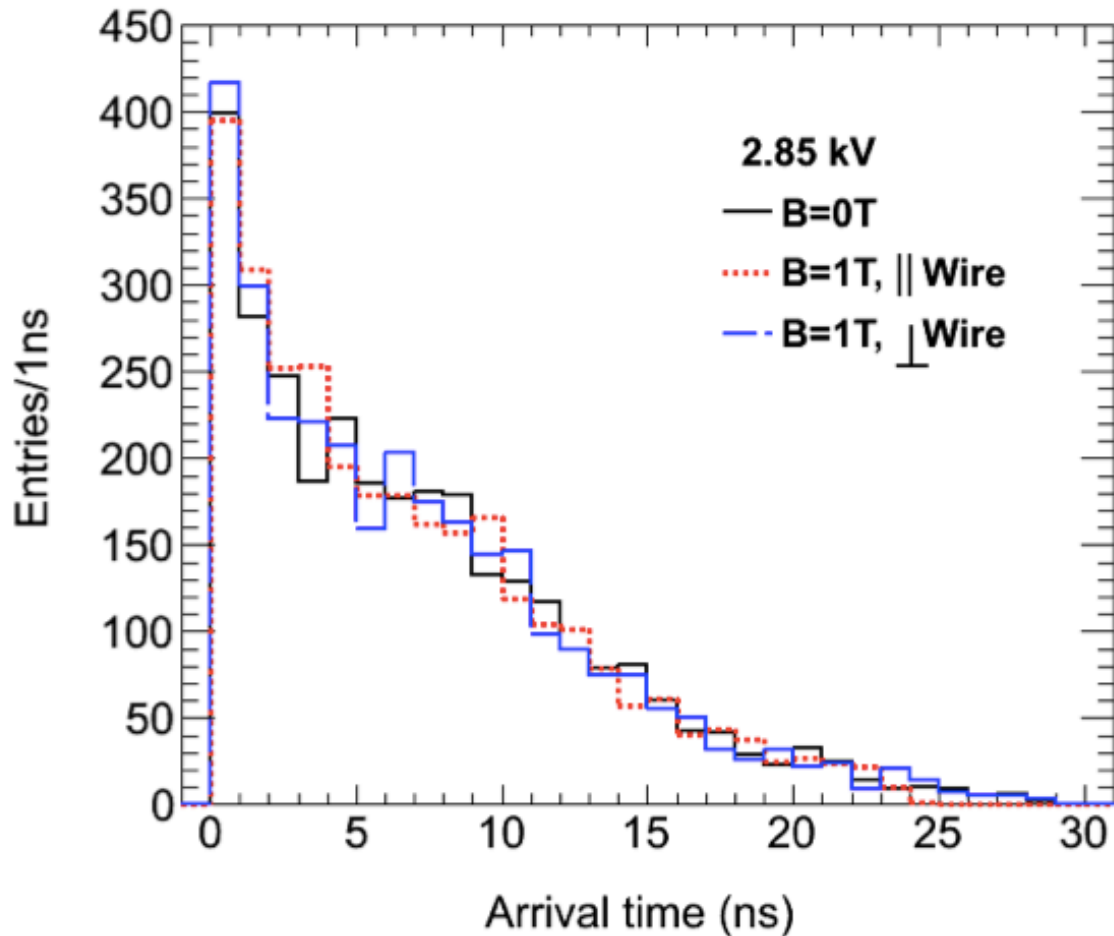
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# Strips pitch



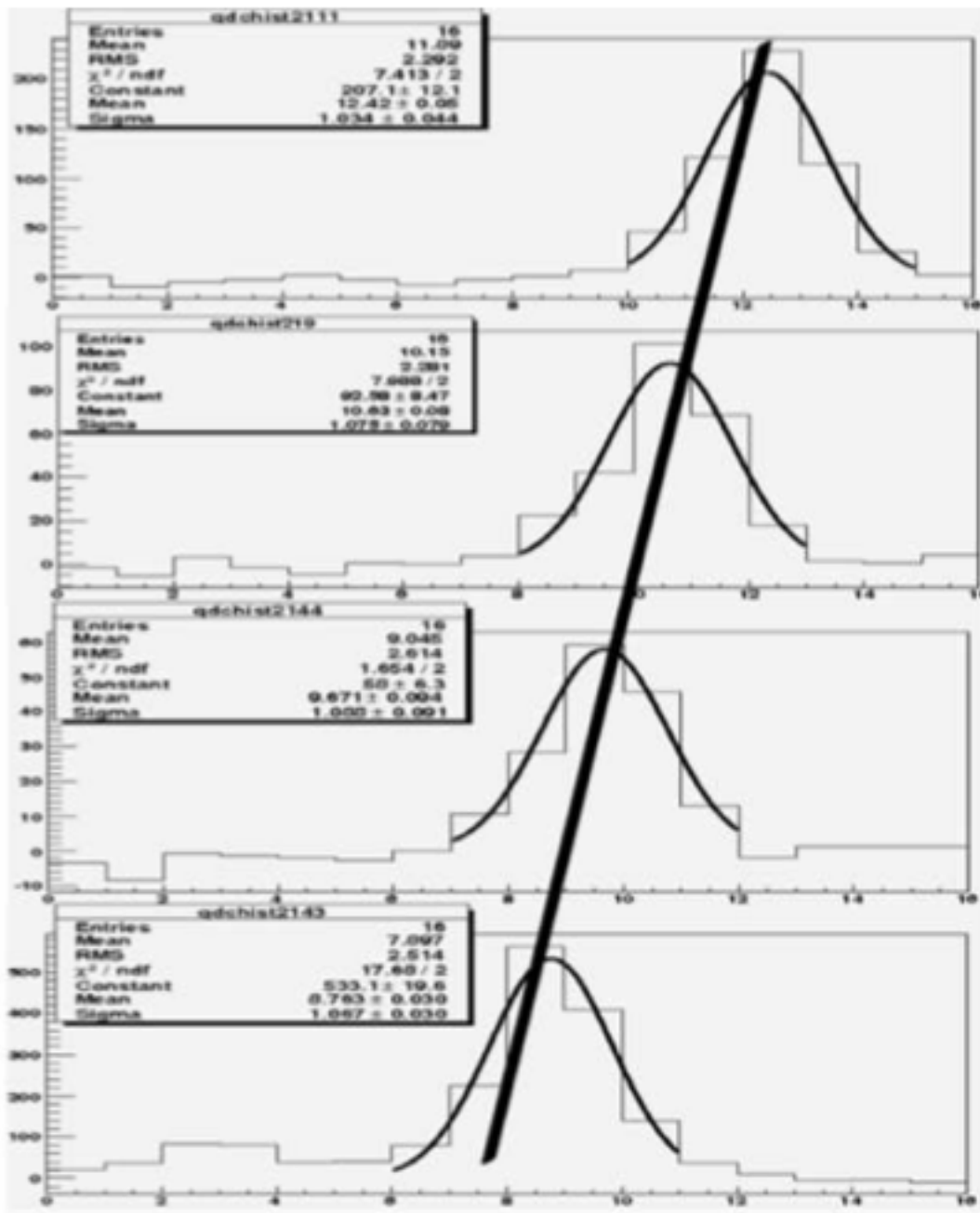
Average position resolution for two different incident angles (0-10°, circles) and (20-30°, squares) using charge division between strips. The values shown have been averaged over different HV settings.

# Magnetic field



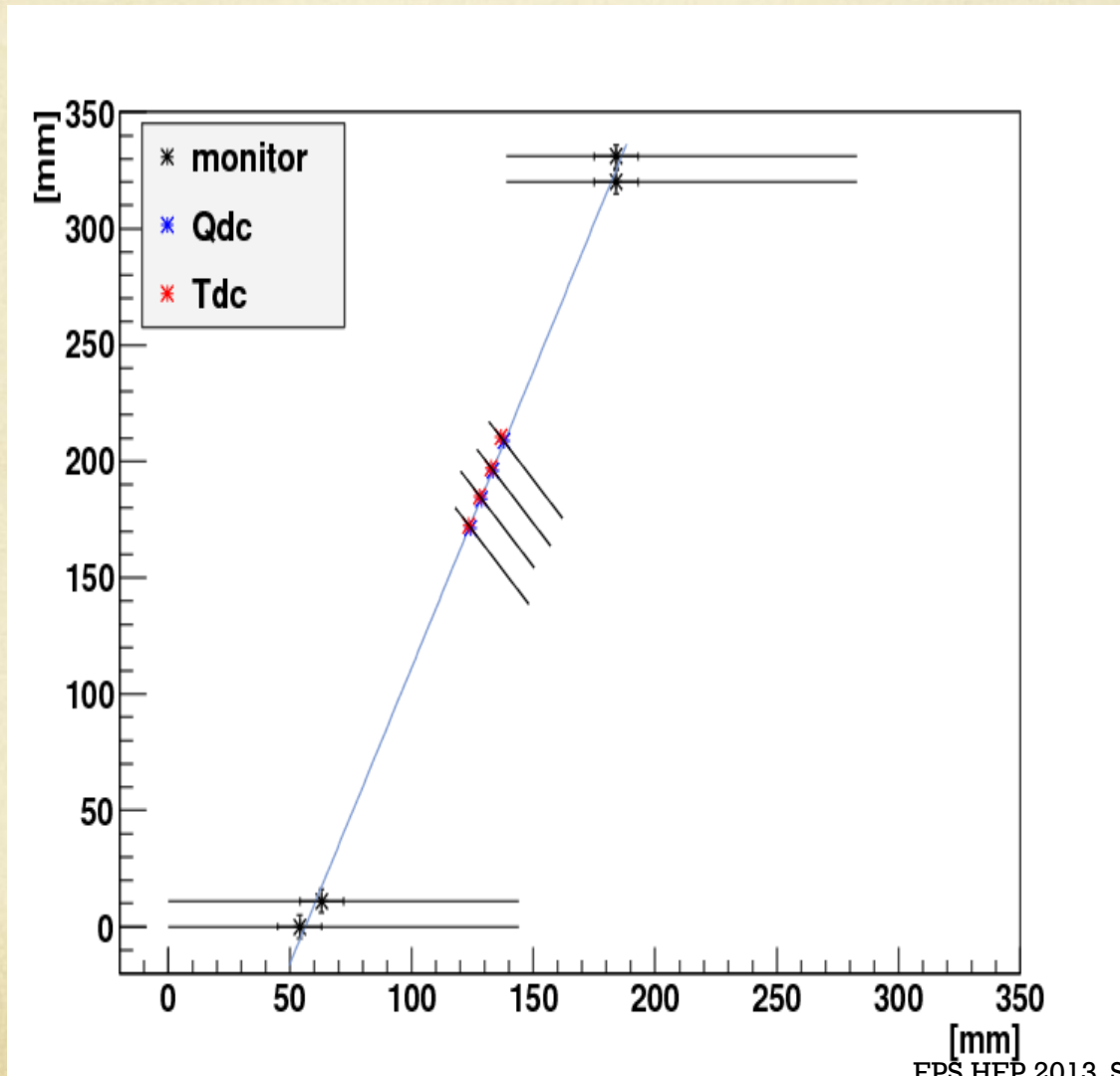
Comparison of simulated earliest cluster arrival time distributions for normal incident muon tracks with and without magnetic fields.

# Track fit



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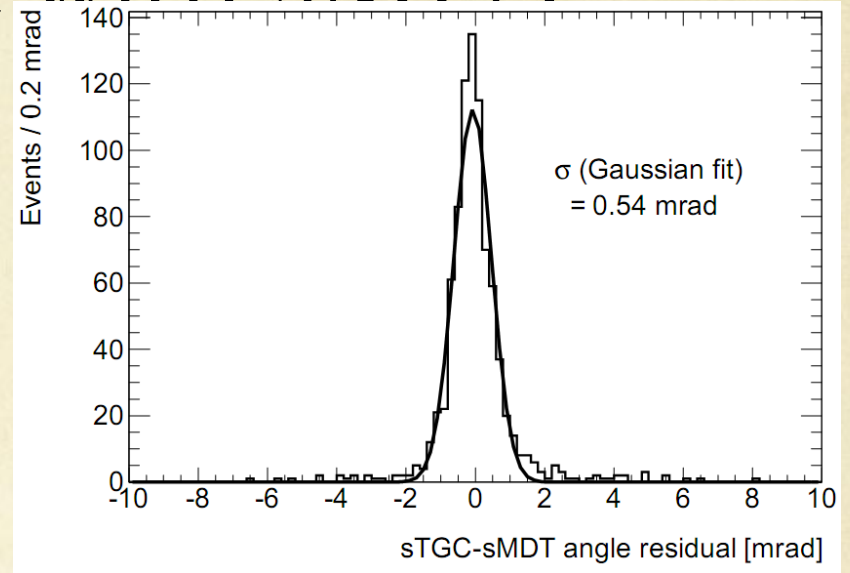
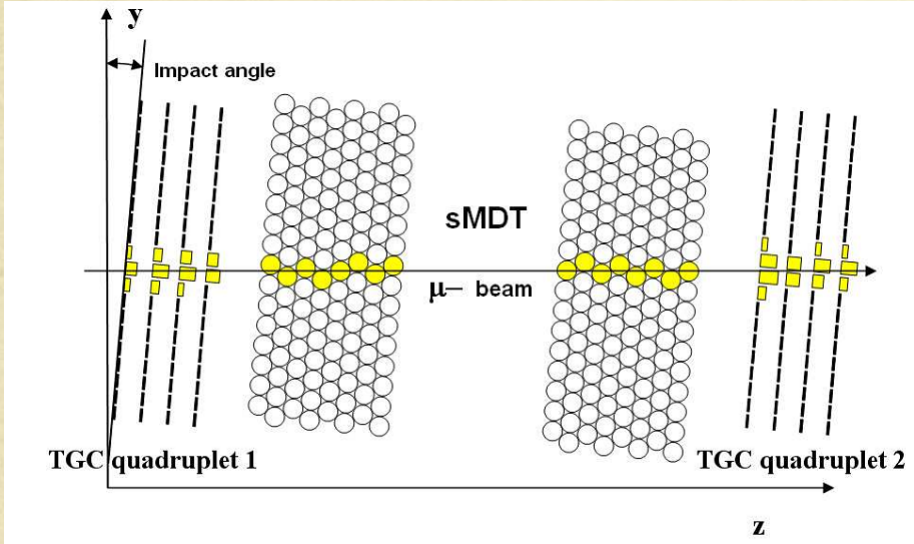
# Cosmic muon under irradiation



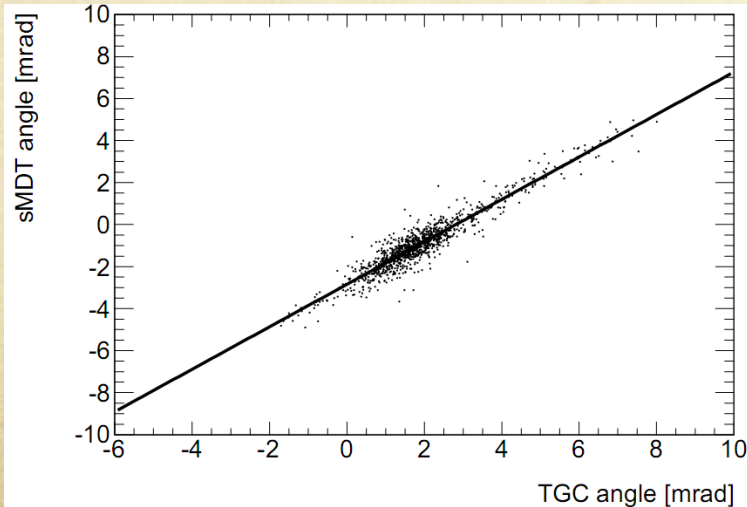
# Muons test beam at CERN-

## Test setup, typical event The combined angle residual distribution

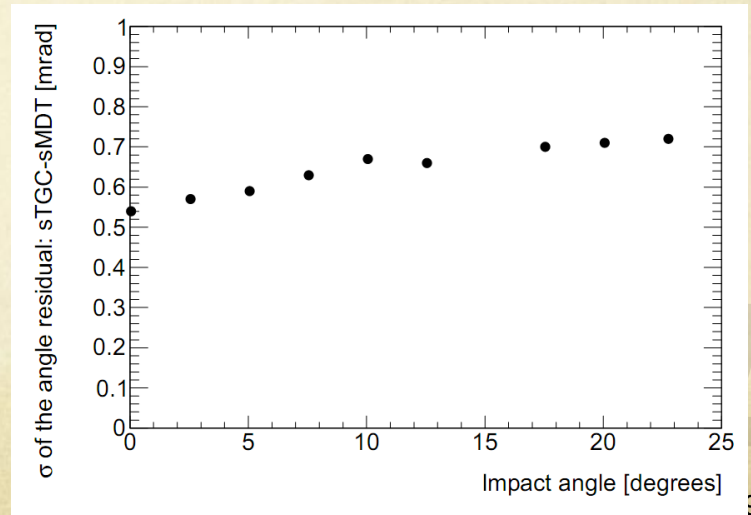
# combined test with sMDT



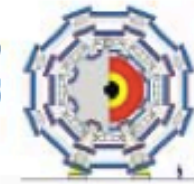
The combined angular correlation



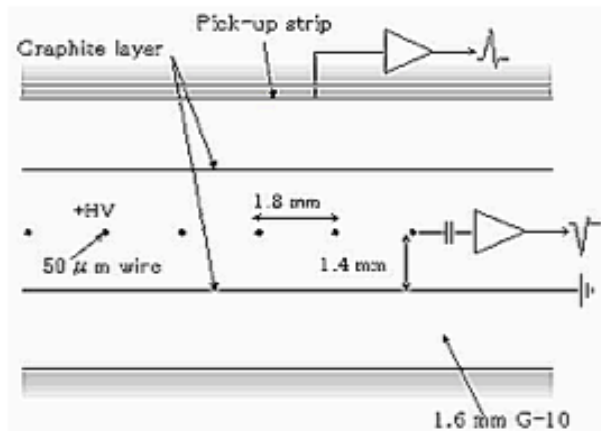
$\sigma$  of the combined angle residual versus impact angle







# TGC detector



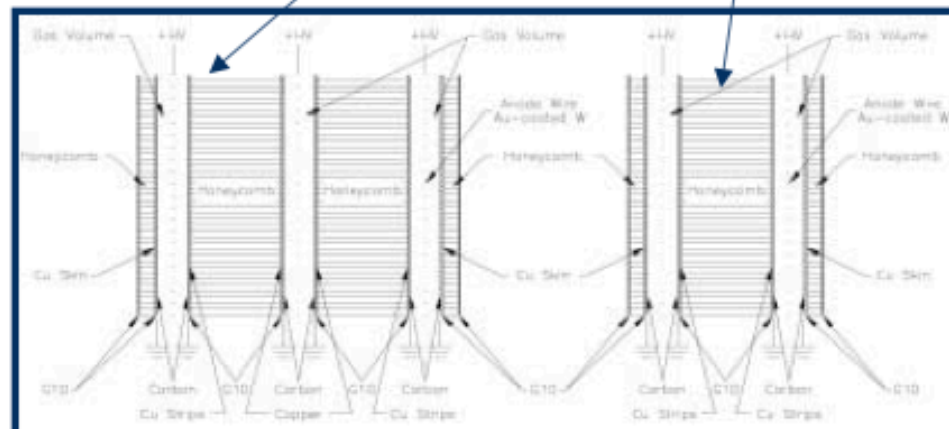
**Gas gap :** 2.8 mm  
**Anode wire pitch :** 1.8 mm  
**HV:** 3.0 KV  
**Gas gain:**  $10^6$   
**Gas mixture :**  $\text{CO}_2 / \text{n-C}_5\text{H}_{12}$  (55%/45%)

Triplet

Doublet

**Read-out :**

- **wires**  
(read out in group of 4 - 20)
- **strips**  
(pitch : 15mm- 49mm)



Efficiency : > 99 % for 25 ns gate