



# Study of real photon-photon scattering events produced by two interacting Compton sources

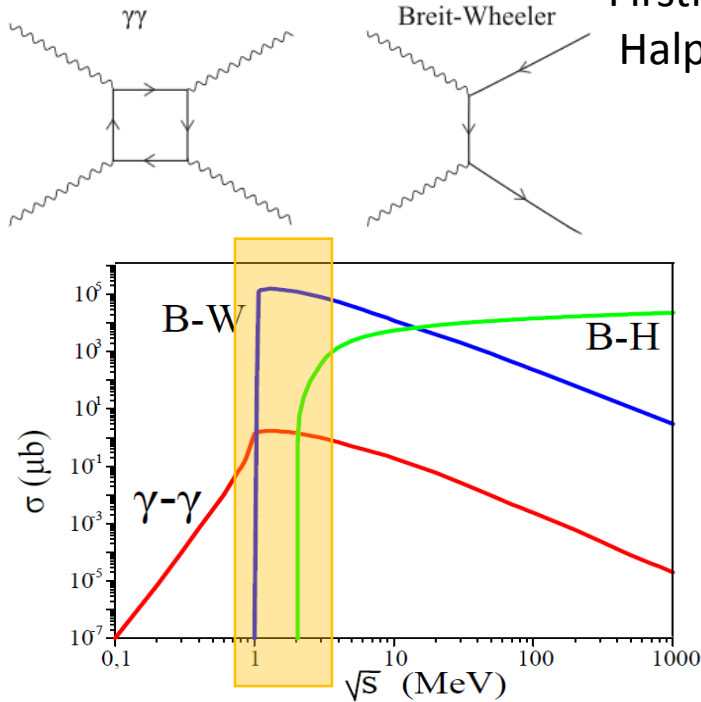
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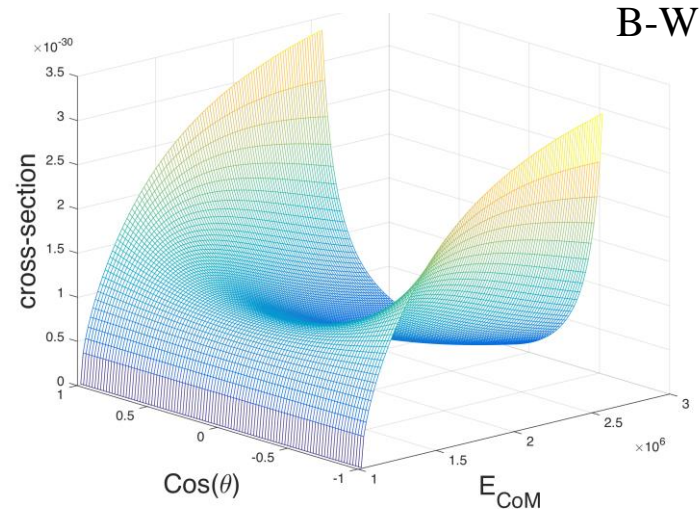
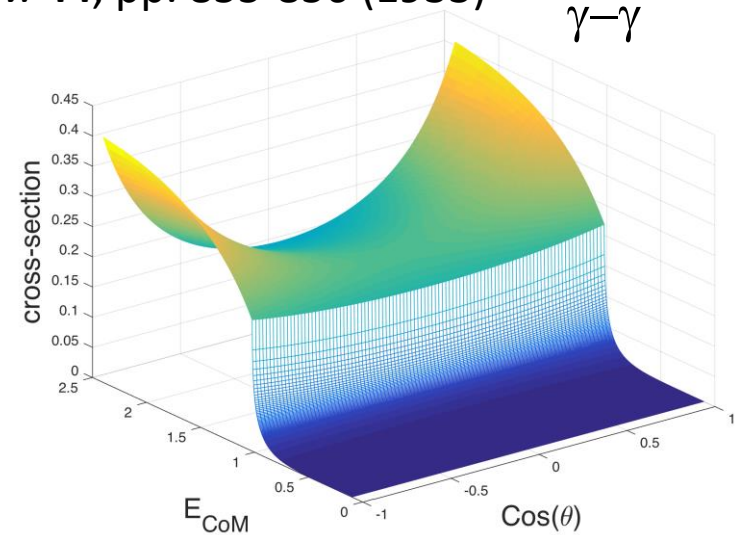
# Photon-photon elastic scattering

Firstly considered in 1933 by Halpern.  
Halpern, *Phys. Rev.* **44**, pp. 855-856 (1933)



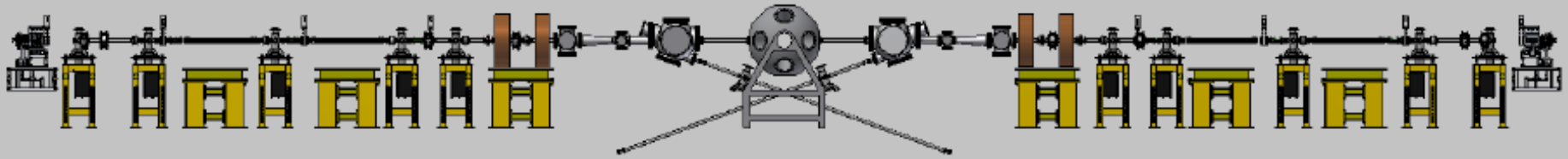
$\gamma\text{-}\gamma$ : 1.5  $\mu\text{b}$  @ 1.6 MeV

Comparison between  $\gamma\text{-}\gamma$ , Breit-Wheeler and triplet pair production (TPP or B-H) cross sections for unpolarized photons.

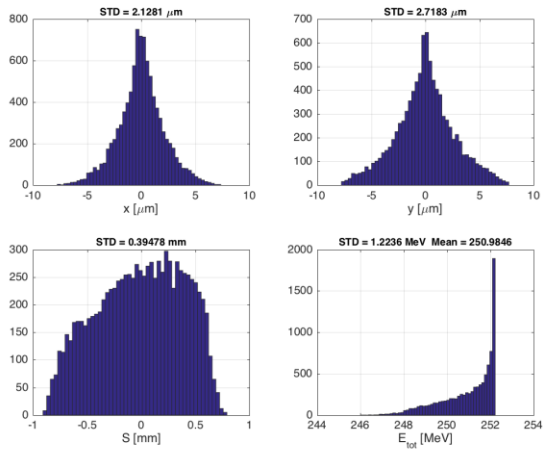


Differential cross section in the plane  $E_{\text{CoM}}, \text{Cos}(\theta)$

# Scheme and layout of cascaded $\gamma$ - $\gamma$ collider



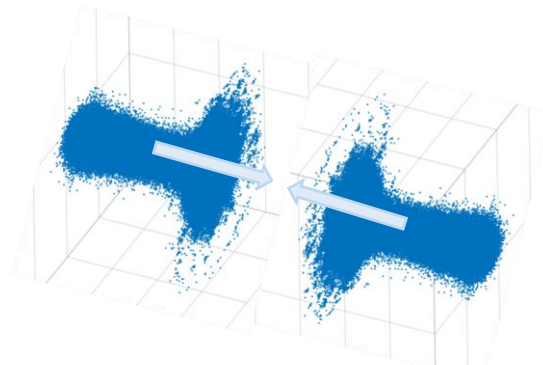
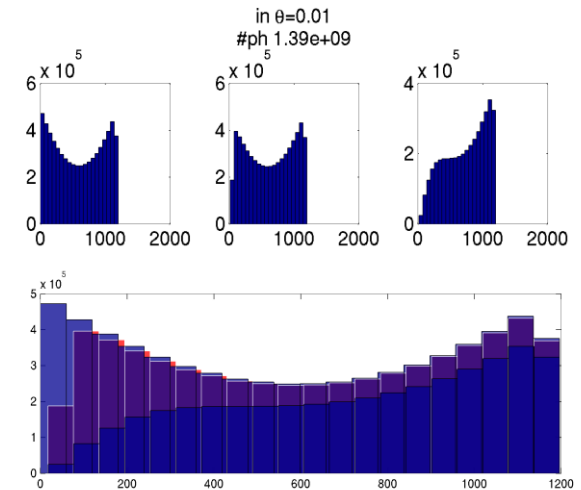
Electron bunch profile



## Parameter of the Compton sources

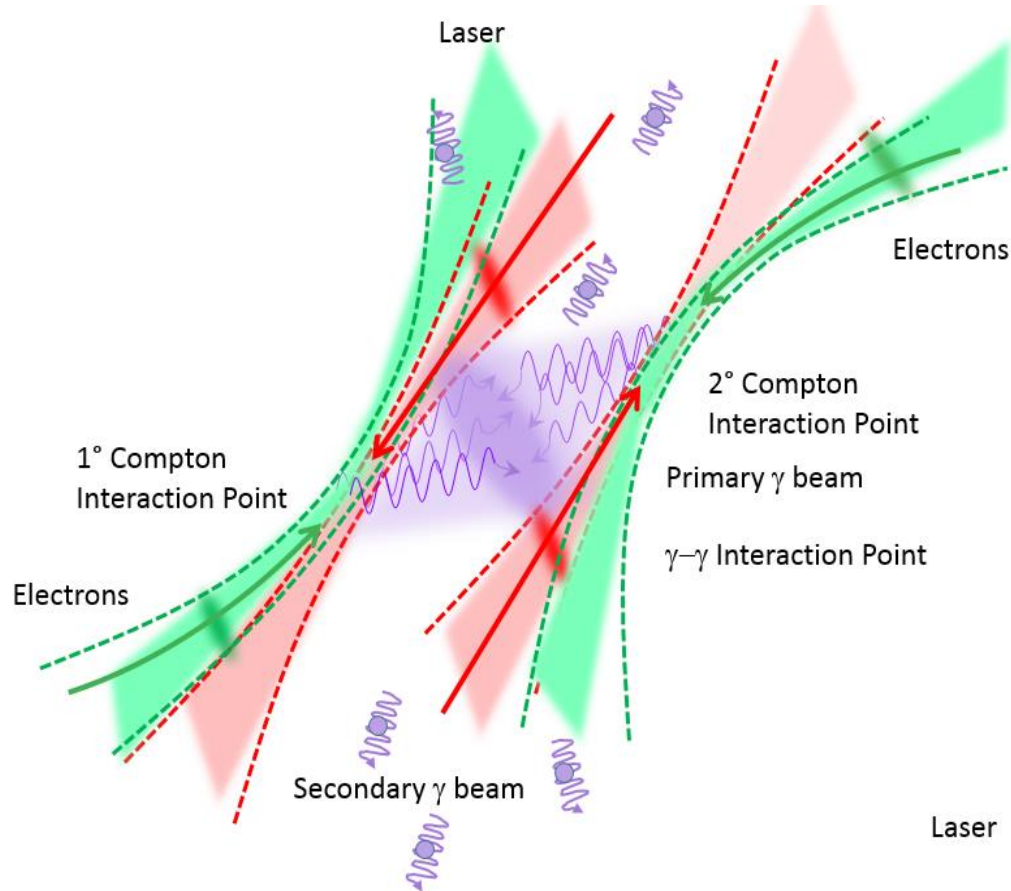
Total energy of the  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  system: 2 MeV  
 Electron energy: 250 MeV (260 MeV B-W)  
 Electron emittance: 0.4 mm mrad  
 Electron energy spread:  $0.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$   
 Charge: 250 pC  
 Transverse electron width: 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$  (5  $\mu\text{m}$  B-W)  
 Laser wavelength: 1000 nm  
 Laser waist: 10 micron  
 Laser Energy: 1 J (2J B-W)  
 Photon energy: 1 MeV  
 Transverse photon beam dimension: 1  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Transverse photon beam dimension at IP: 10  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Repetition rate  $f$ : 100 Hz

Energy spectrum of Compton back scattered Photons



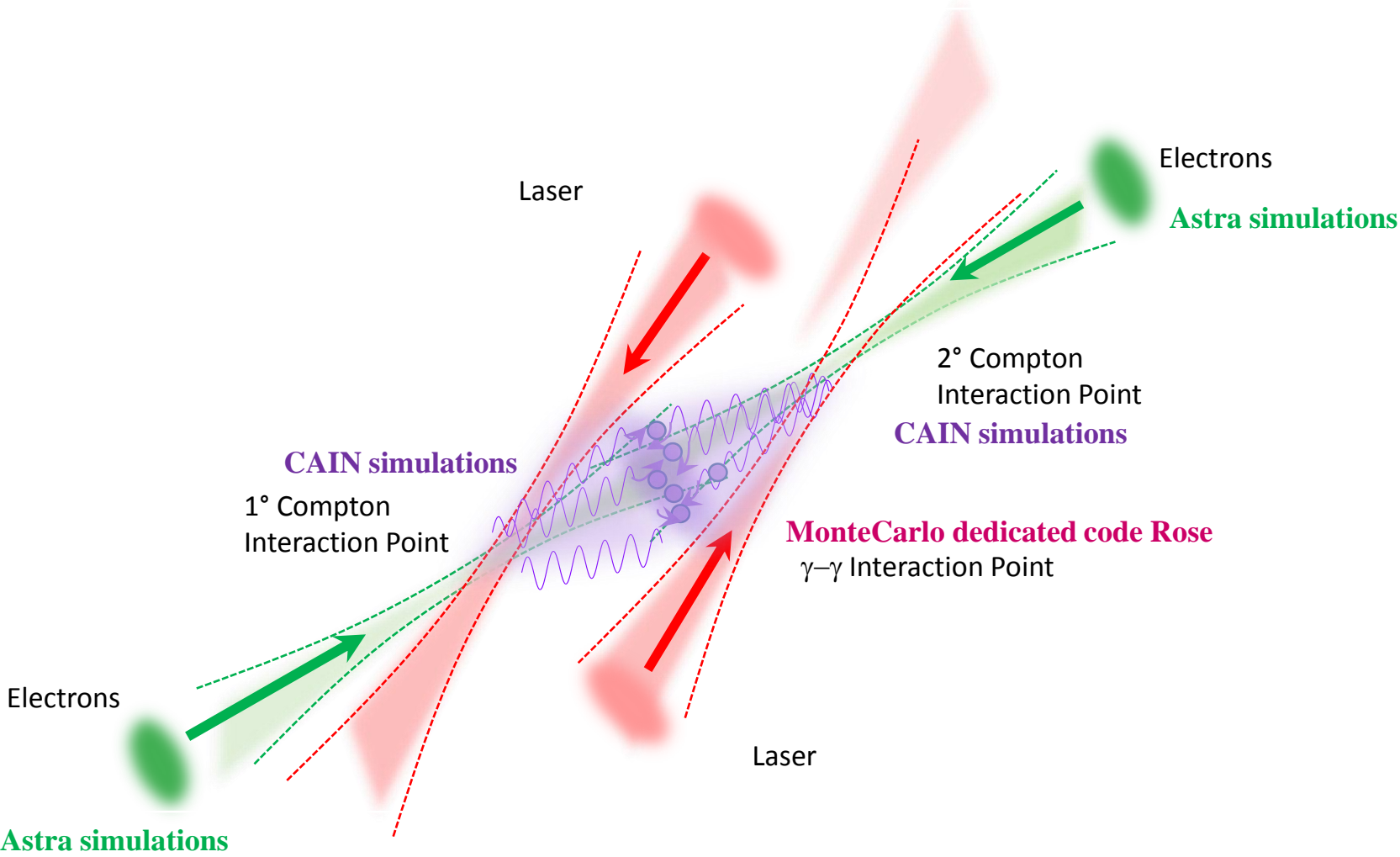
The setup chosen is based on room temperature X-band linac and an amplified laser (like ELI-NP-GBS)

# Gamma-gamma collider for the study of $\gamma\text{-}\gamma$ events generation



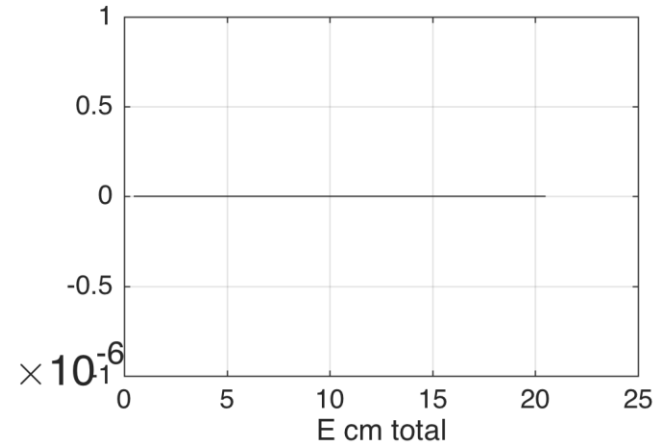
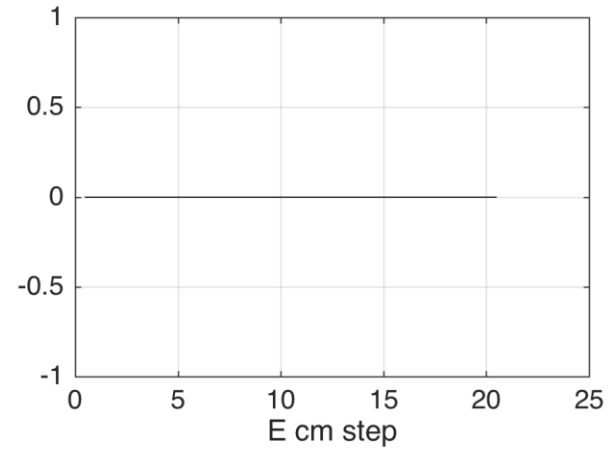
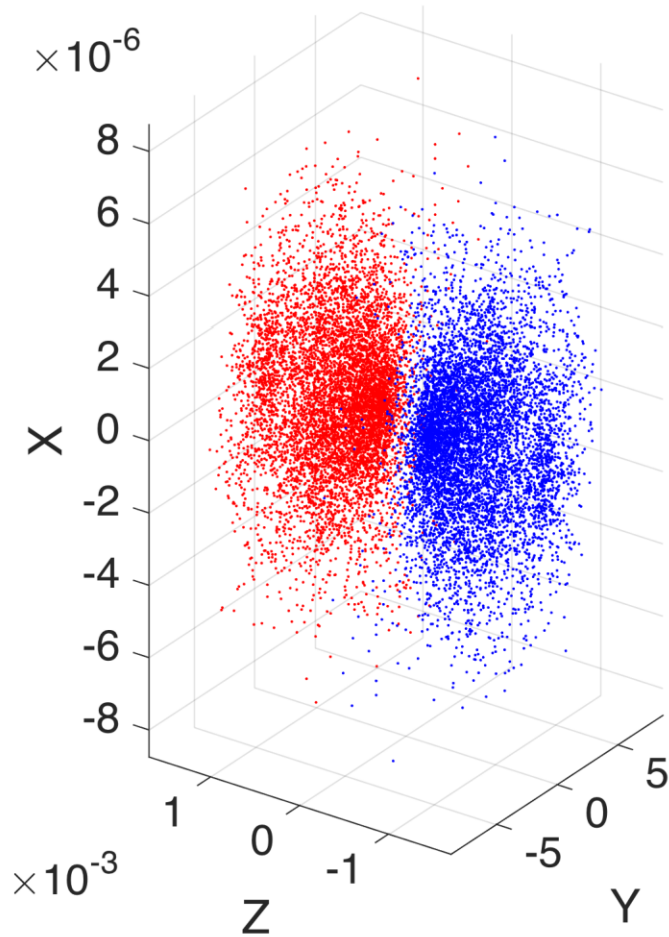
Scheme of the  $\gamma\text{-}\gamma$  interaction. Two lasers (in red) impinge on two electron beams (in green) in two interaction points (Compton IP), generating primary gamma rays (in violet). The primary gamma rays interact in the  $\gamma\text{-}\gamma$  IP, generating secondary gammas.

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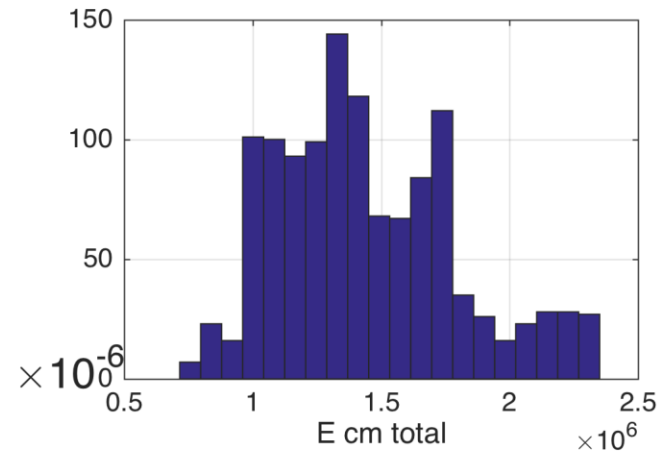
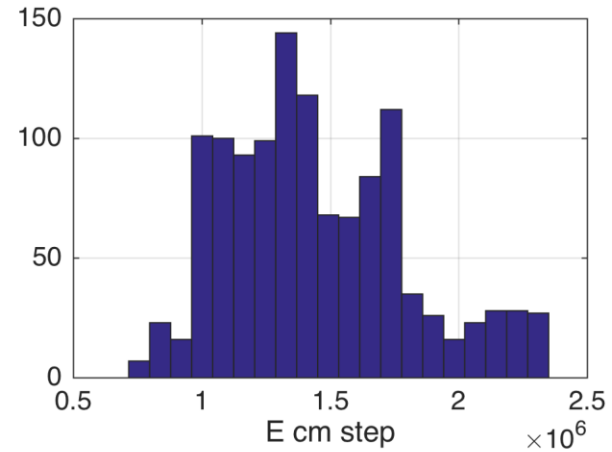
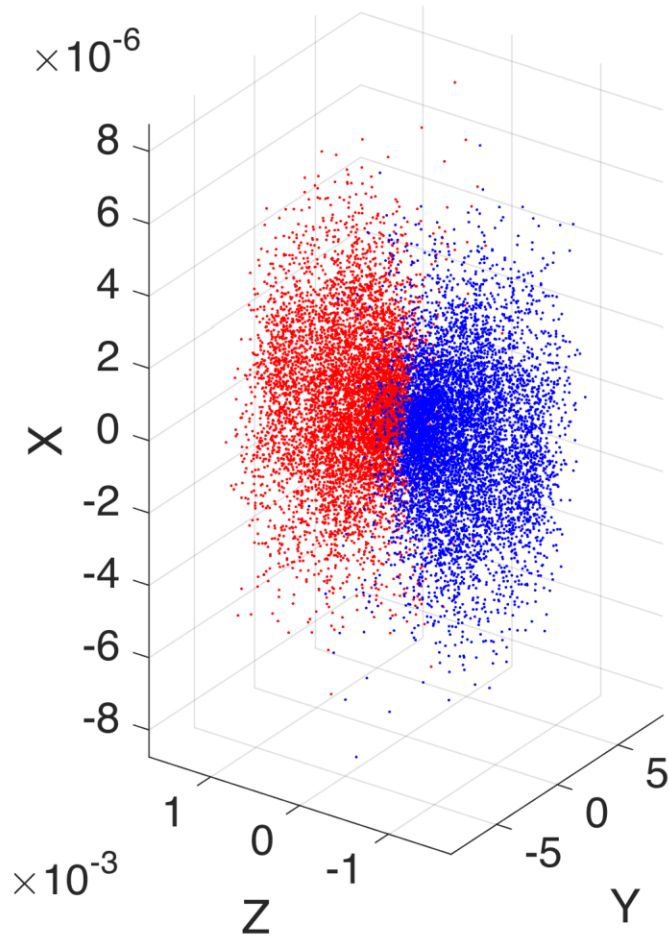
# Simulations of dynamics in the ROSE code

bin x 21 y 21 z 21 step 1



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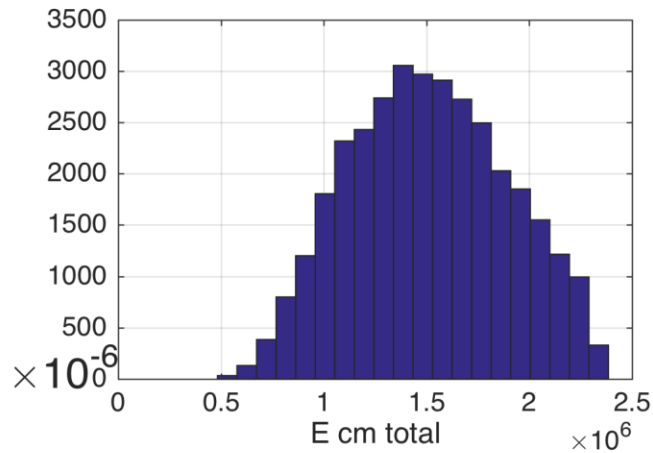
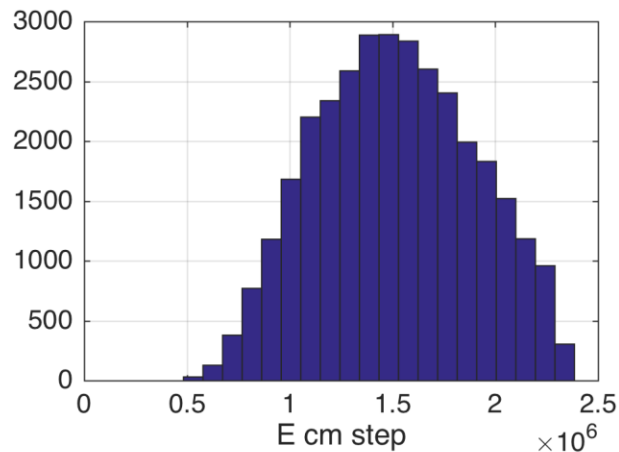
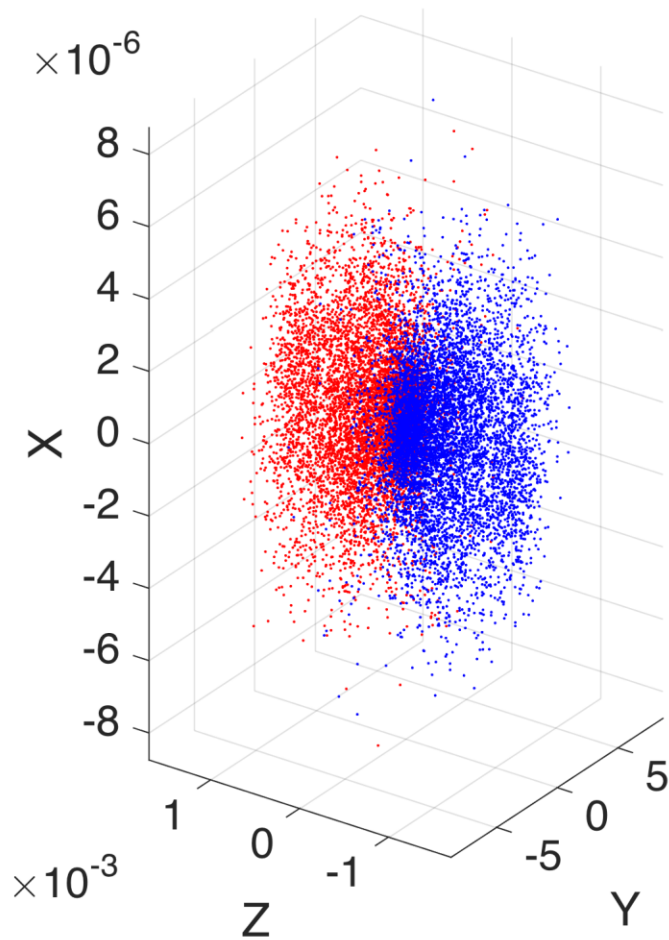
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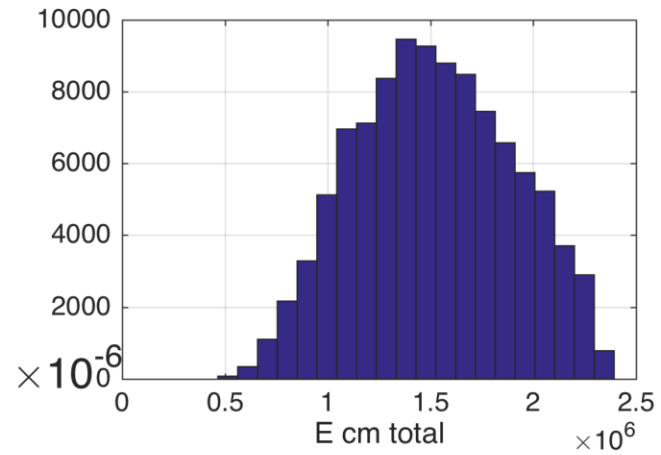
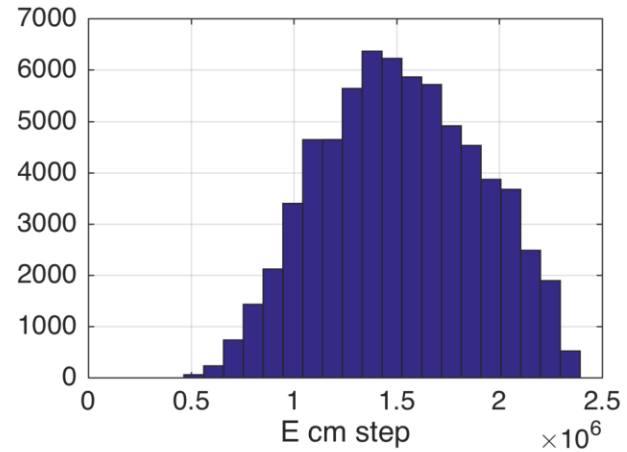
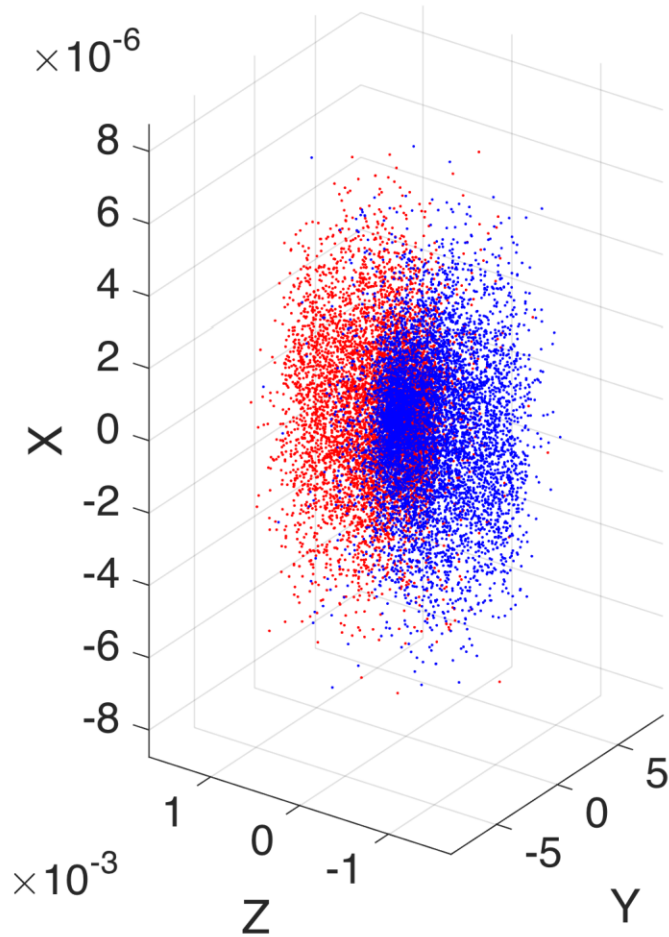
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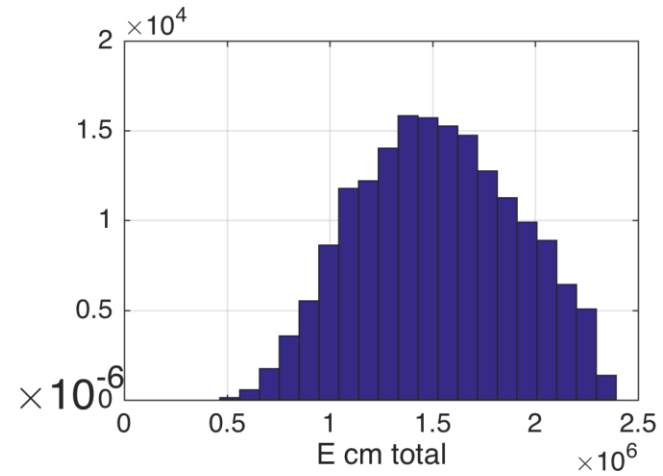
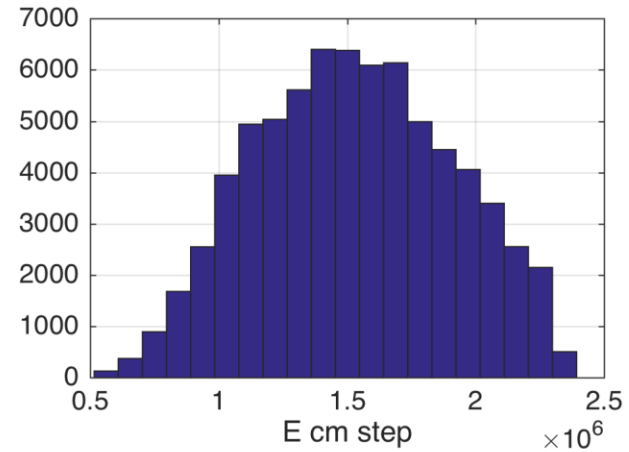
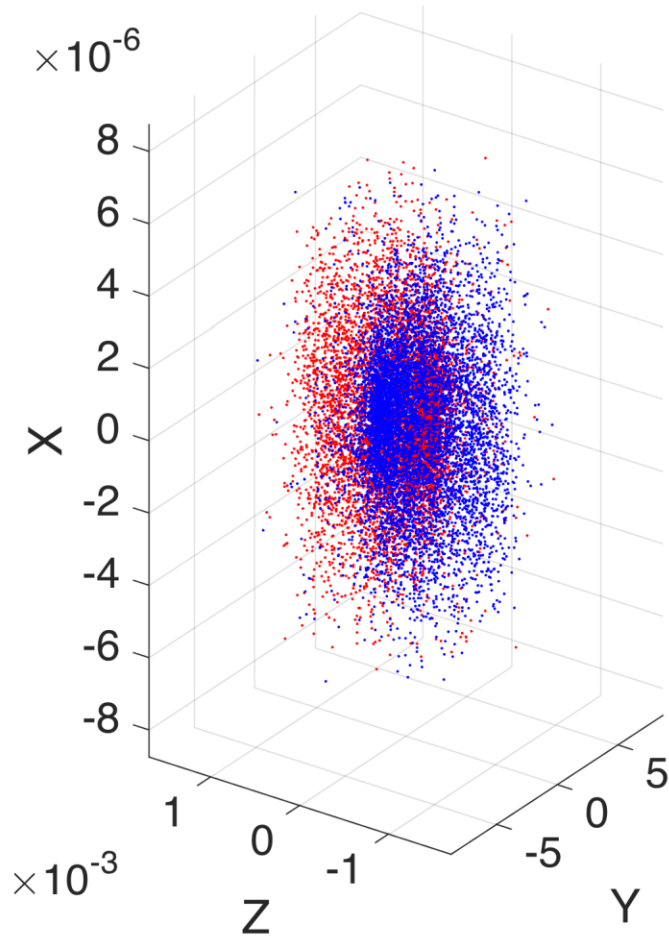
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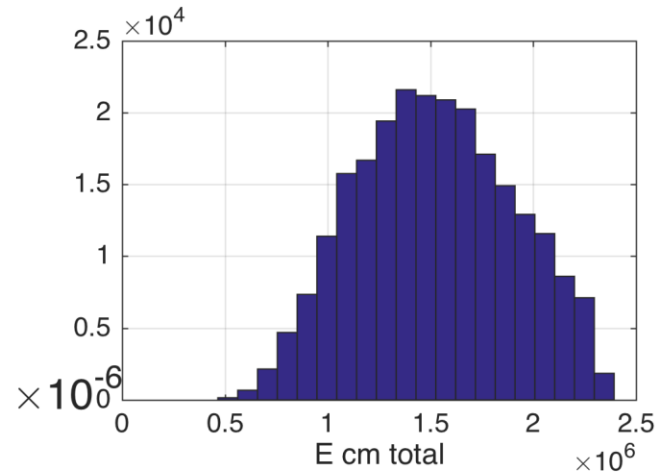
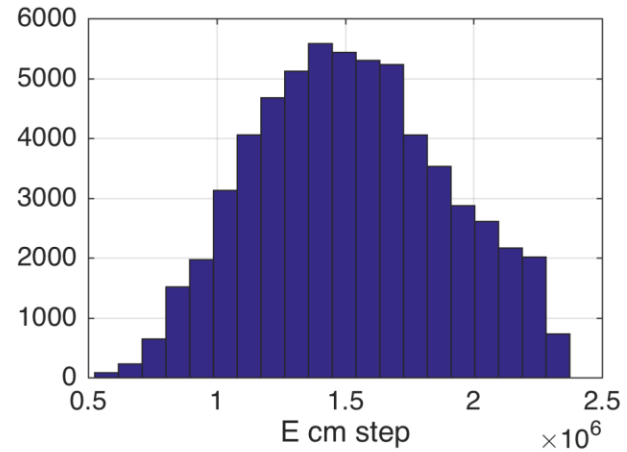
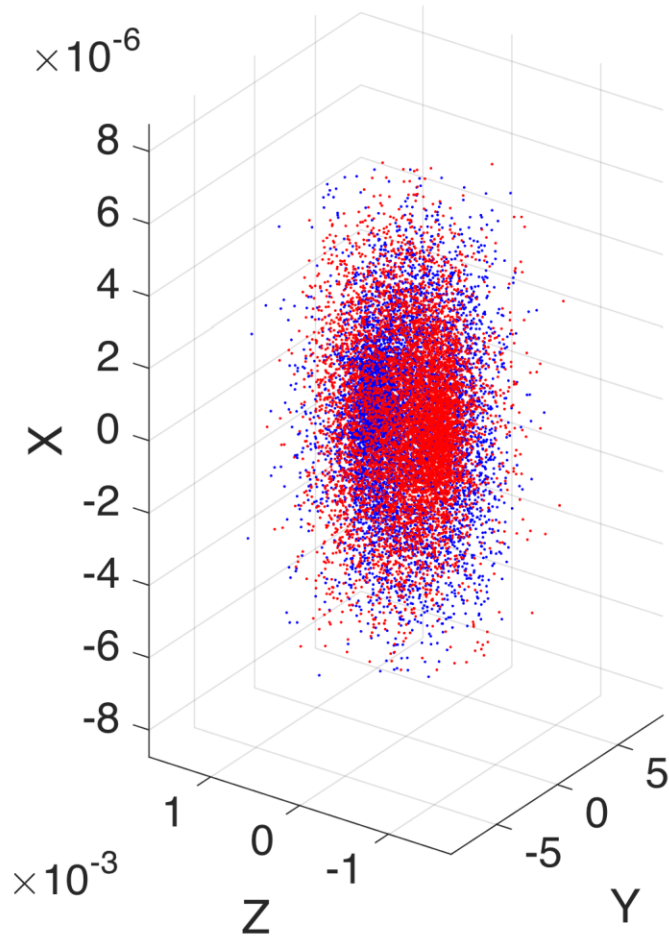
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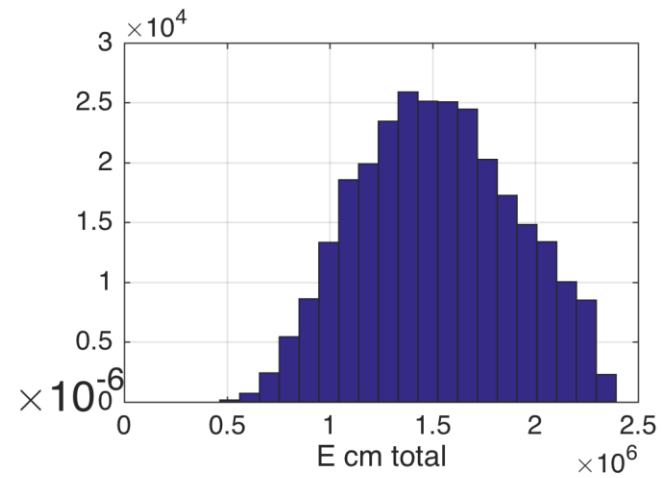
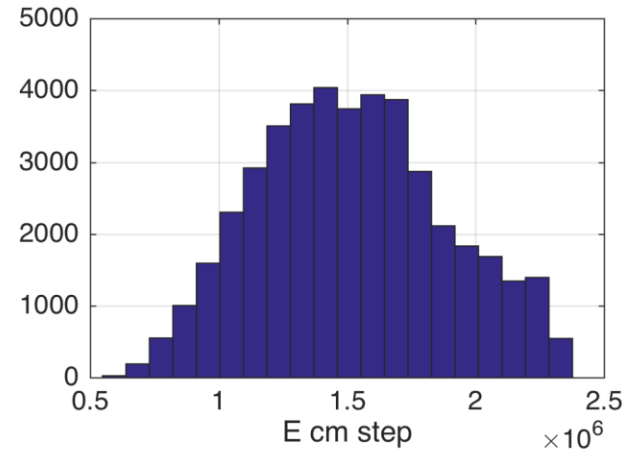
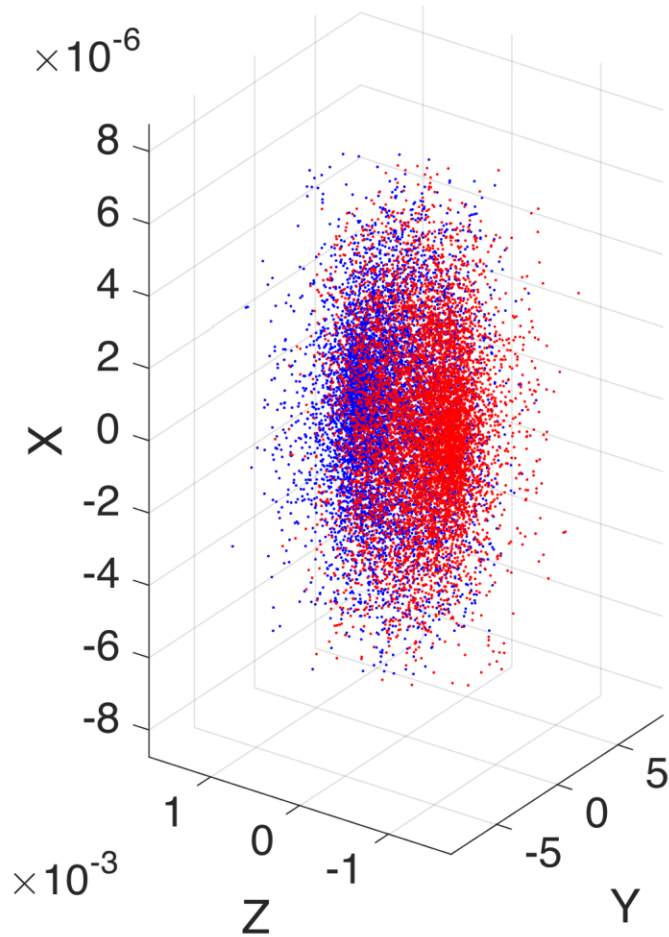
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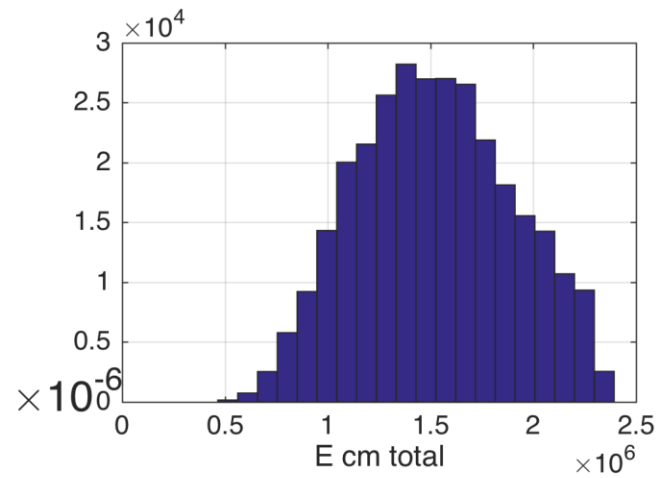
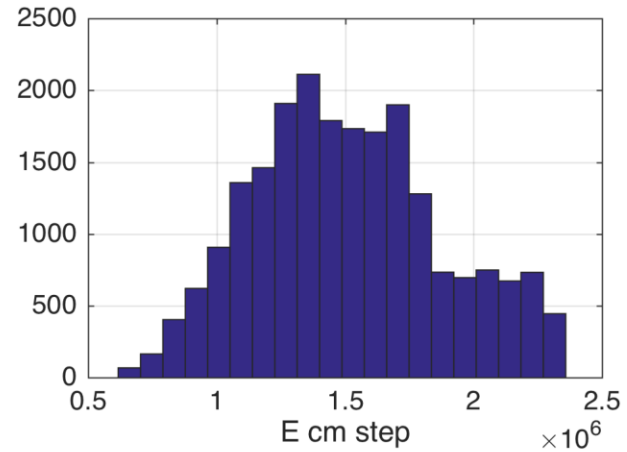
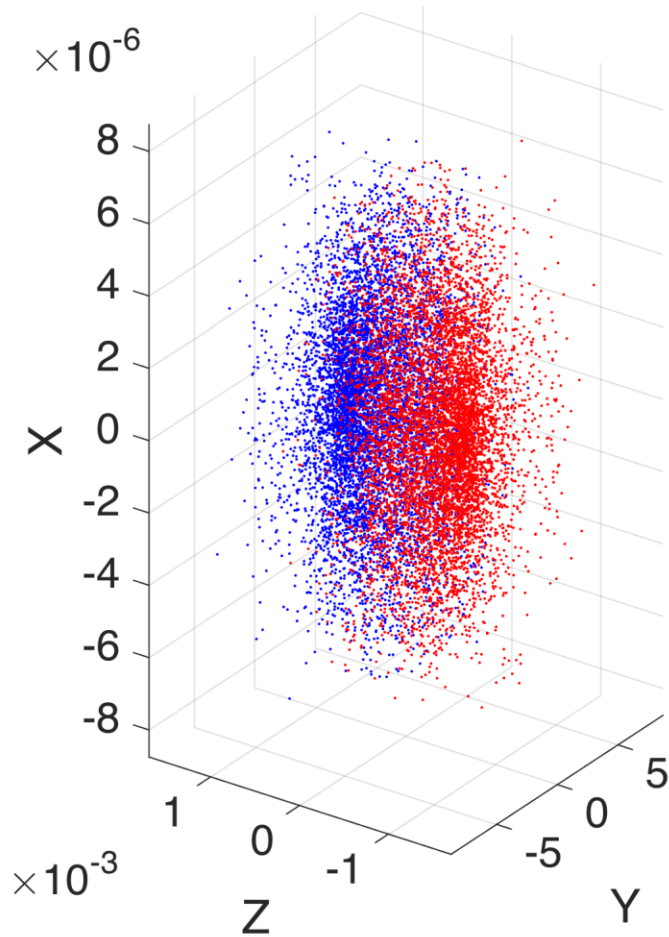
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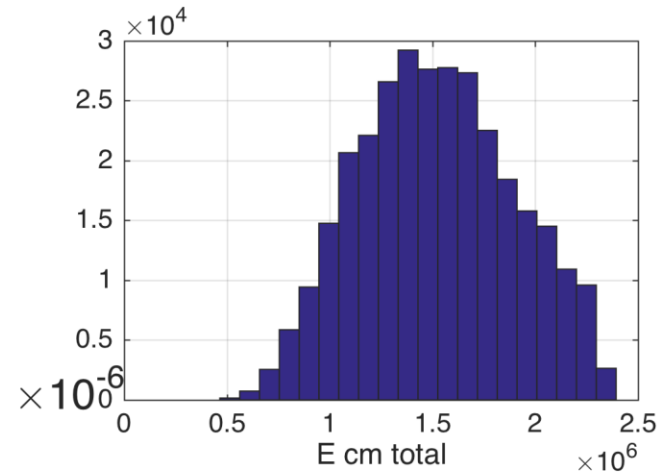
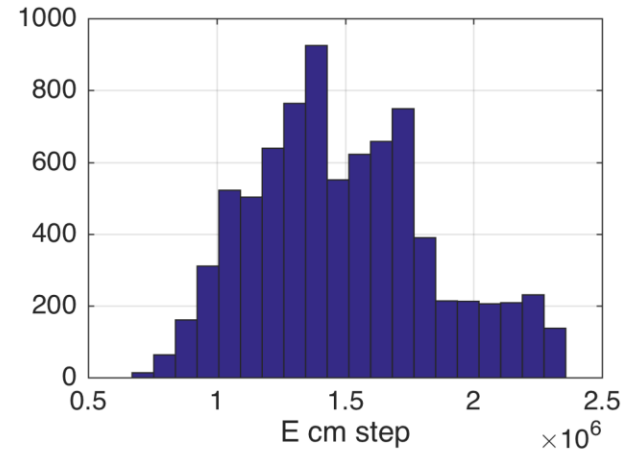
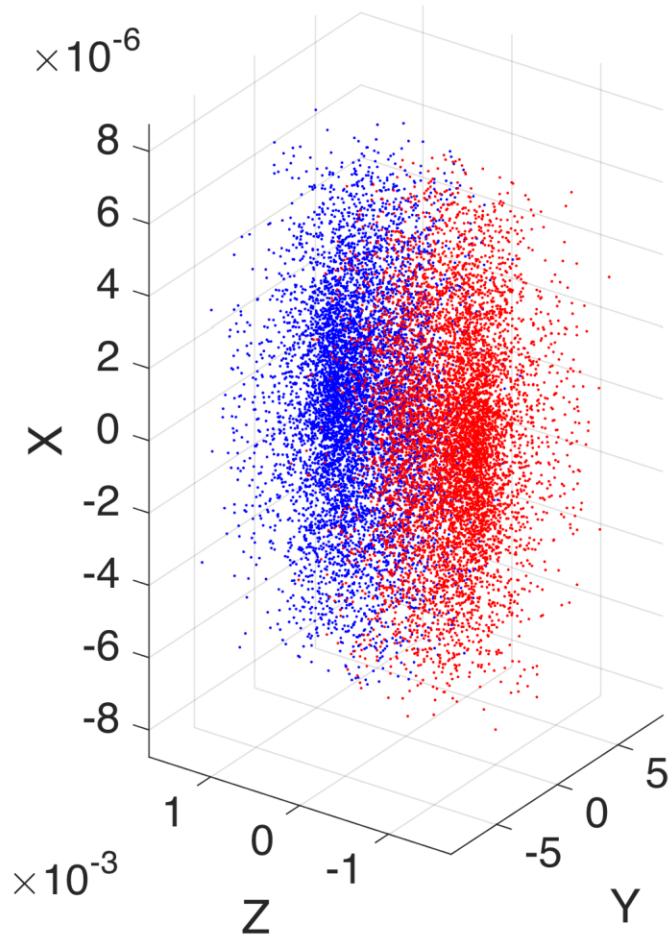
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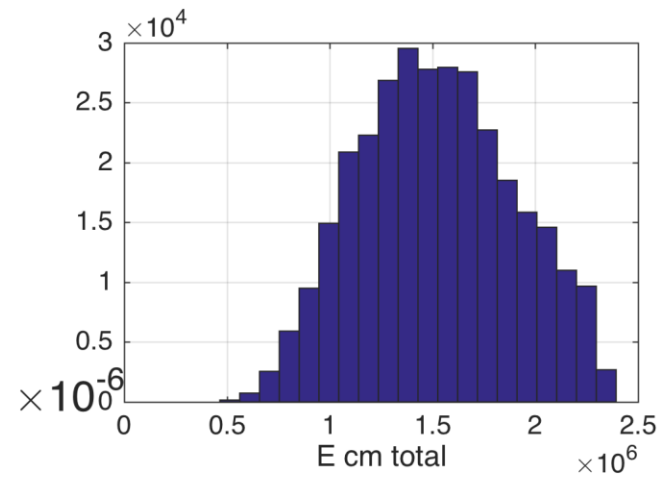
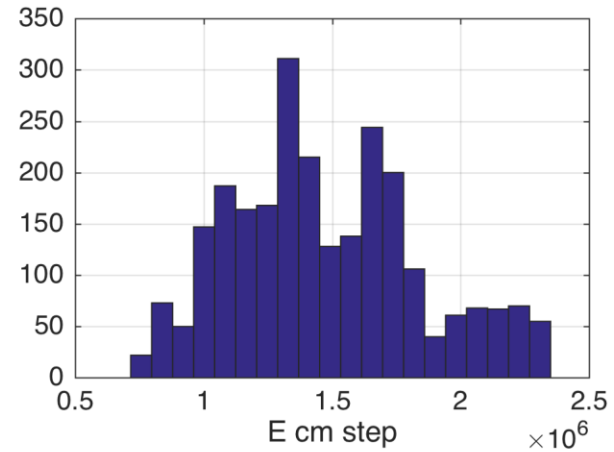
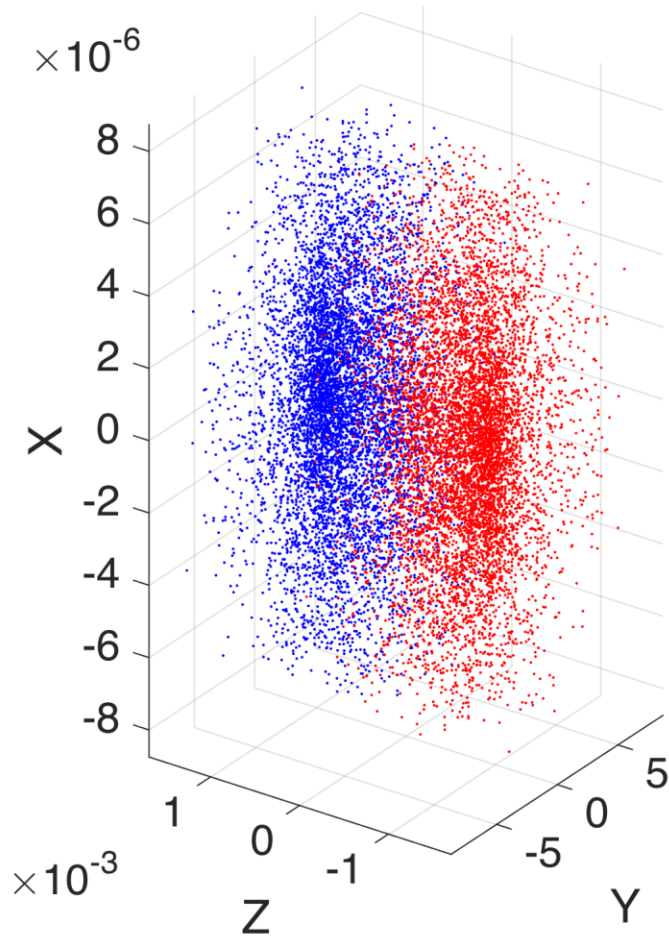
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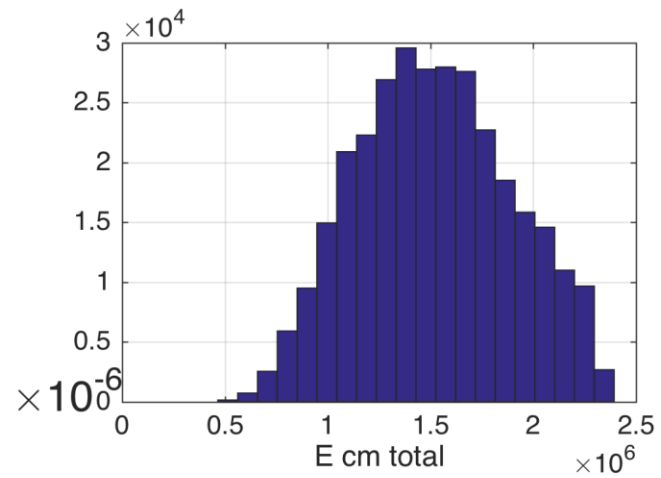
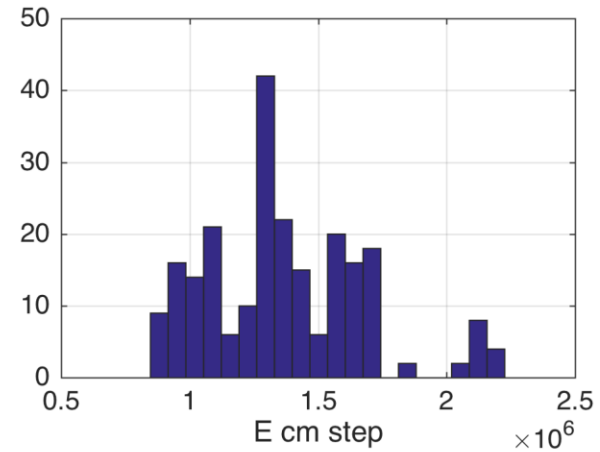
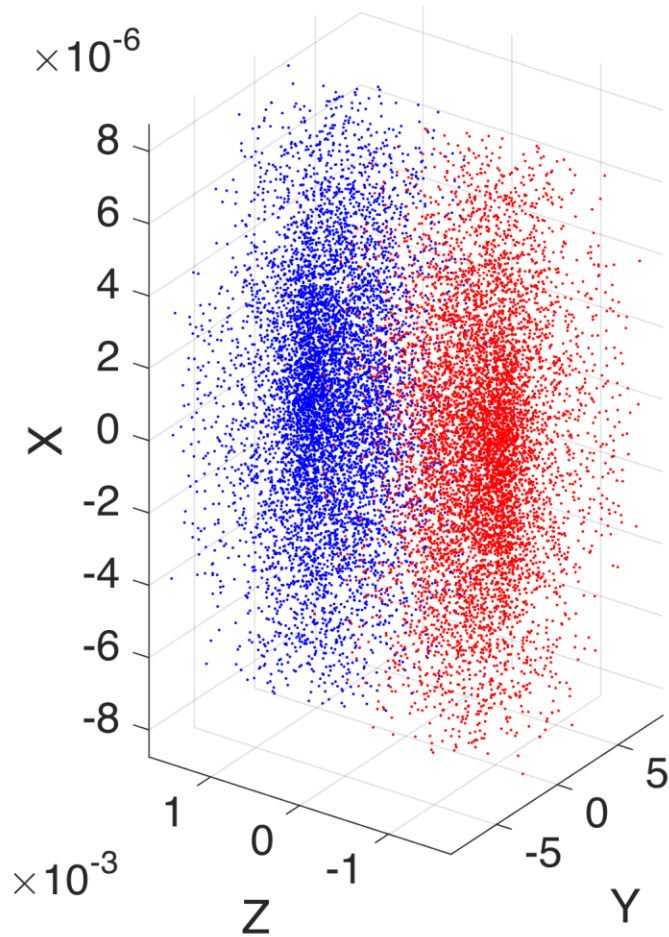
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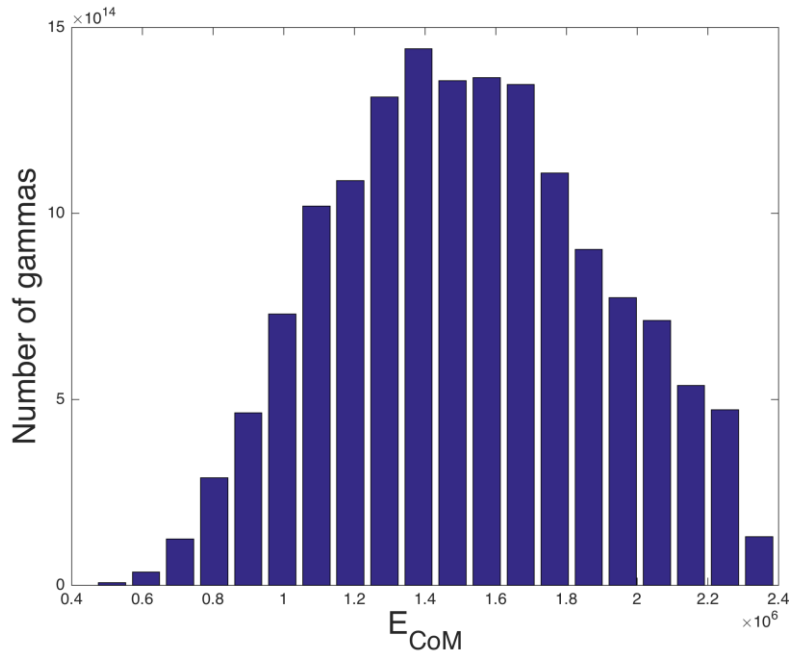


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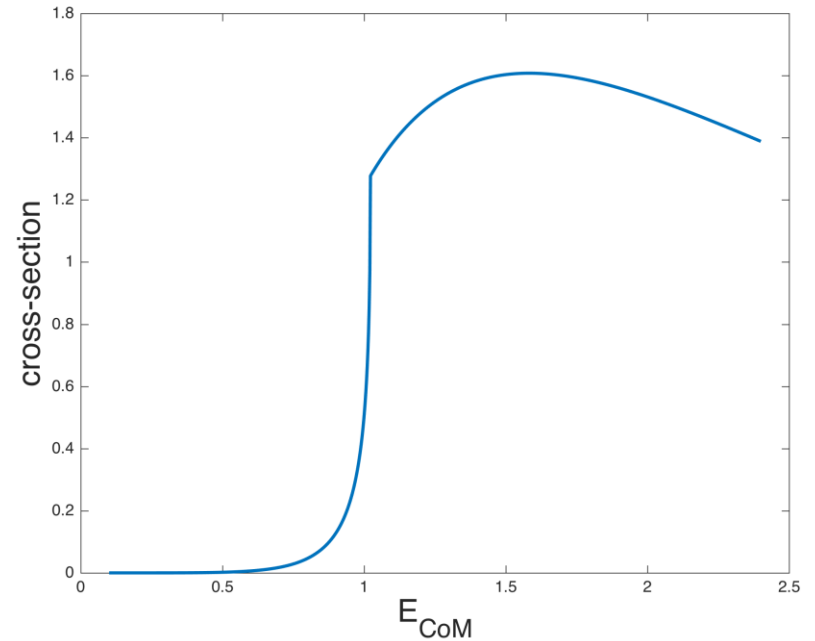
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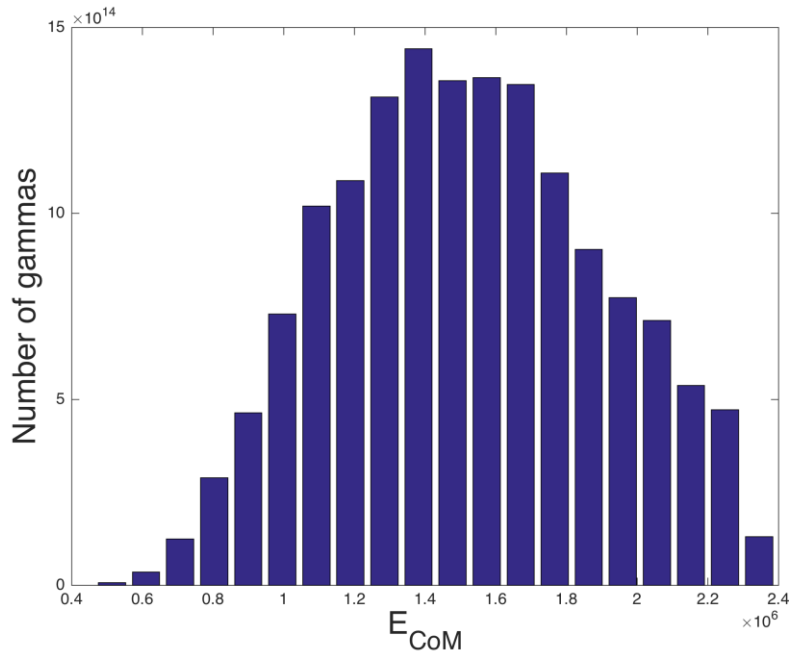


Build a histogram of the energy in the center of mass (CoM) for all possible pairs.

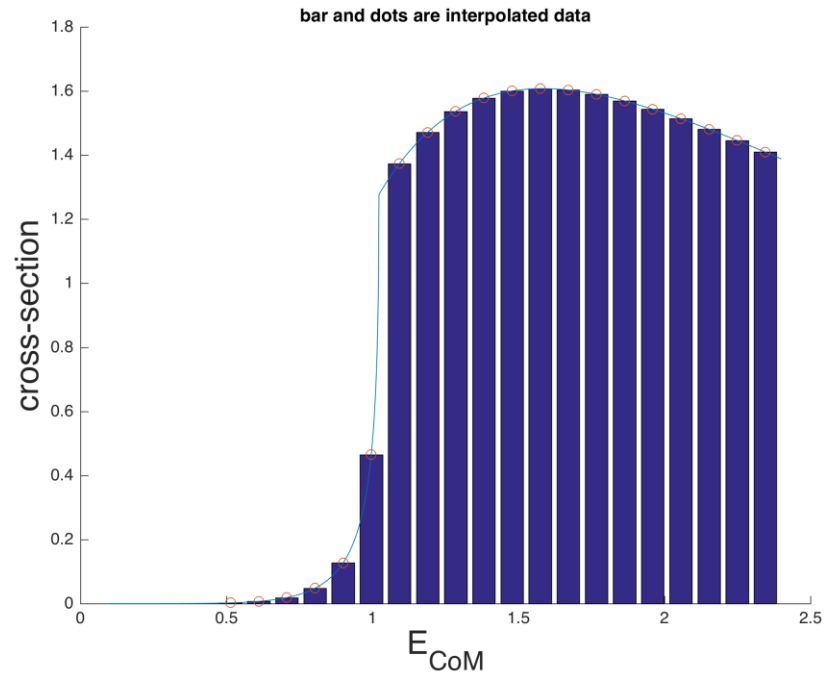


Differential cross section in the plane  $E_{\text{CoM}}$  (integrated on  $\theta$ )

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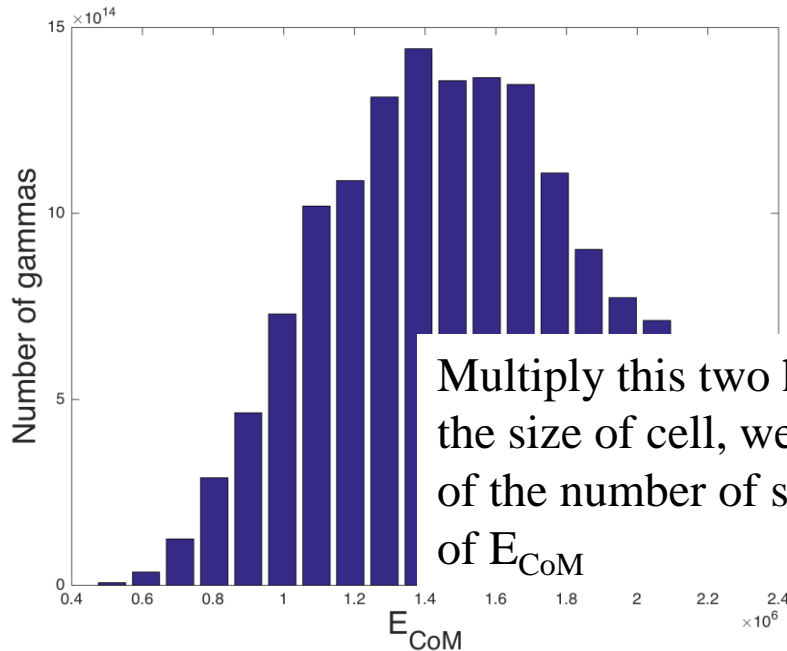


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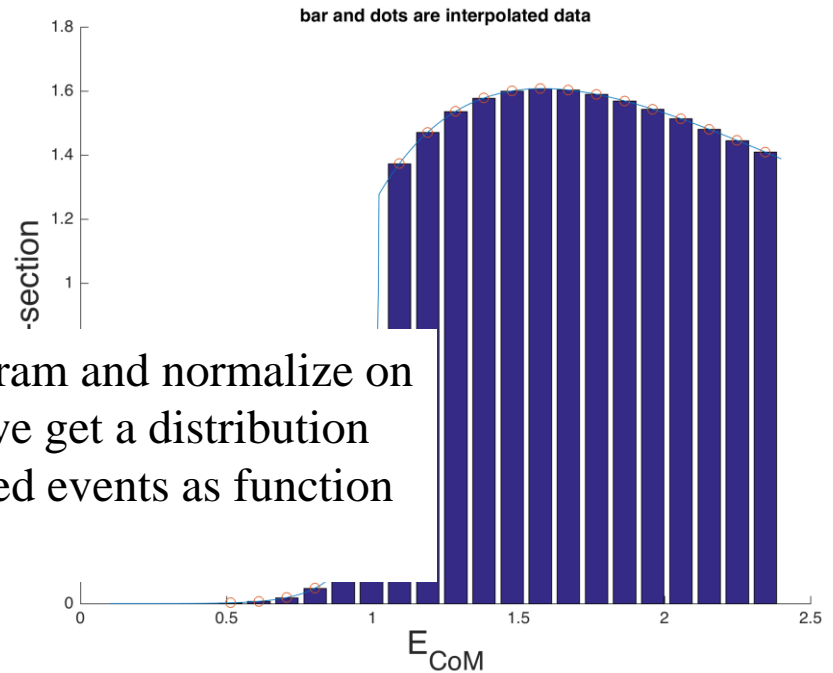


Build a histogram for total cross-section with exactly the same width of bin that in the number of gammas

# Simulations of dynamics in the ROSE code



Multiply this two histogram and normalize on the size of cell, weight we get a distribution of the number of scattered events as function of  $E_{\text{CoM}}$

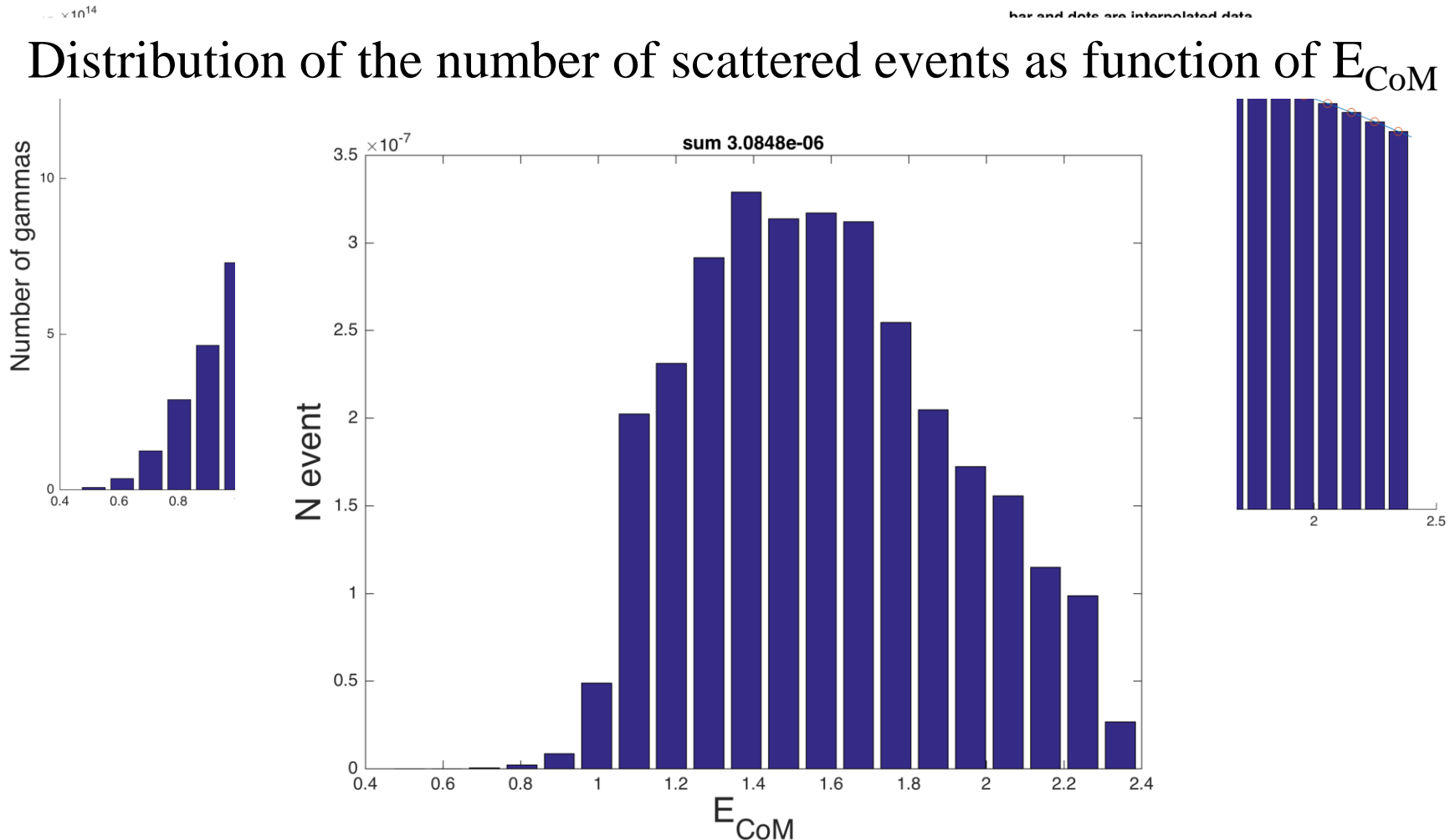


The histogram of the energy of center of mass (CoM) for the all possible pair.

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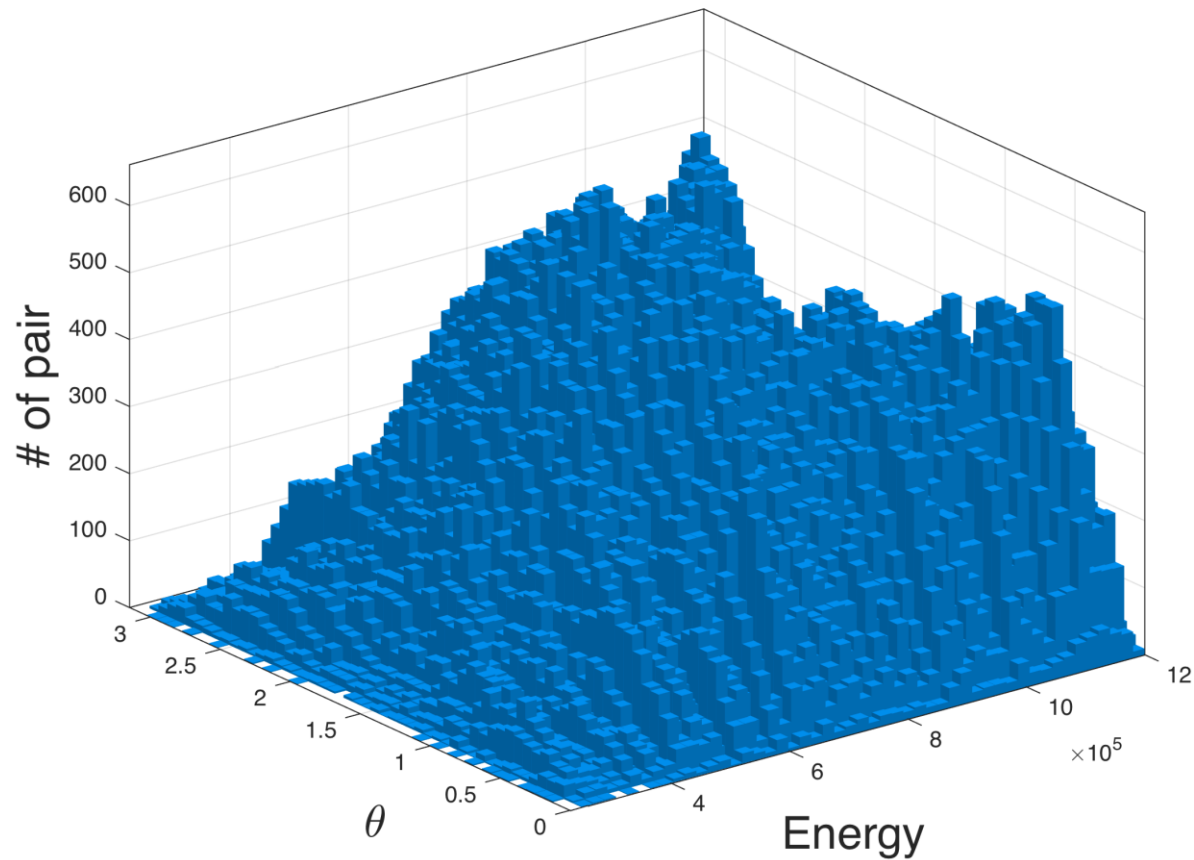
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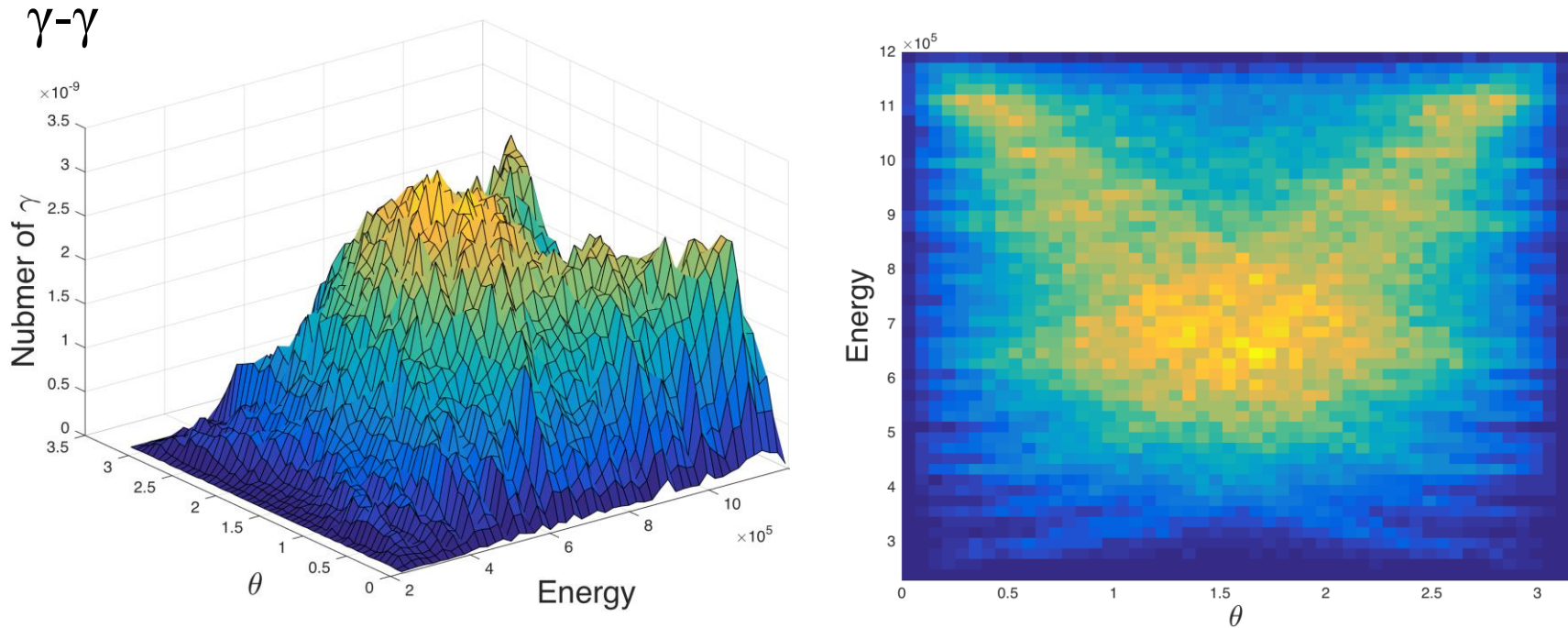


$3 \times 10^{-6}$  per 1 shot \* 100 Hz repetition rate  $\Rightarrow$  1 event per hour

Distribution of the  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  events in the laboratory as a function of the energy of the secondary particles  $E=E_{3,4}$  and of the zenith angle  $\theta$ .

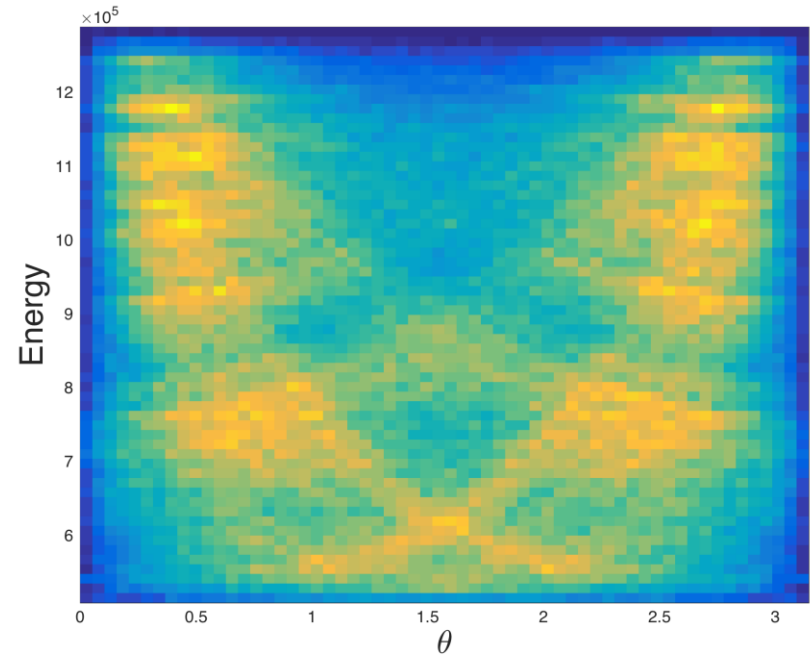
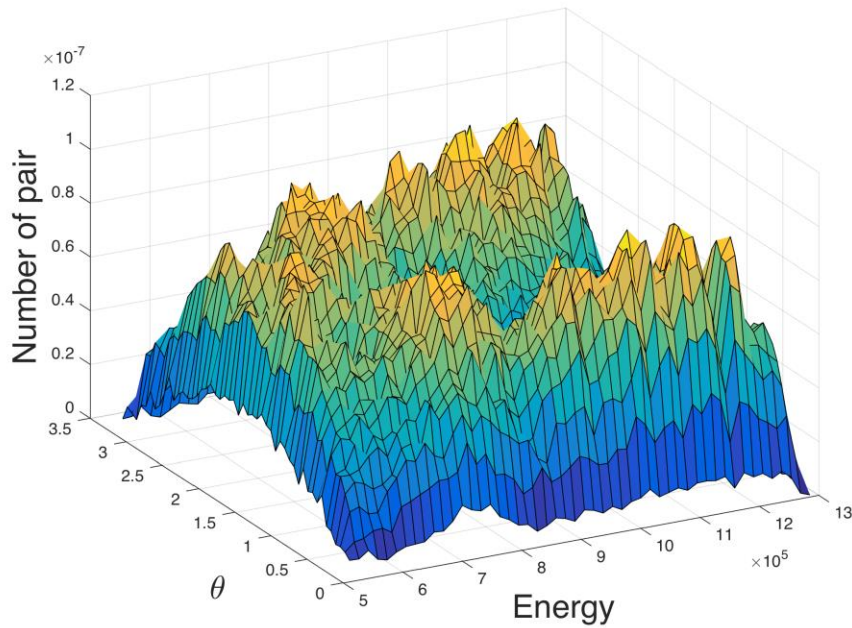


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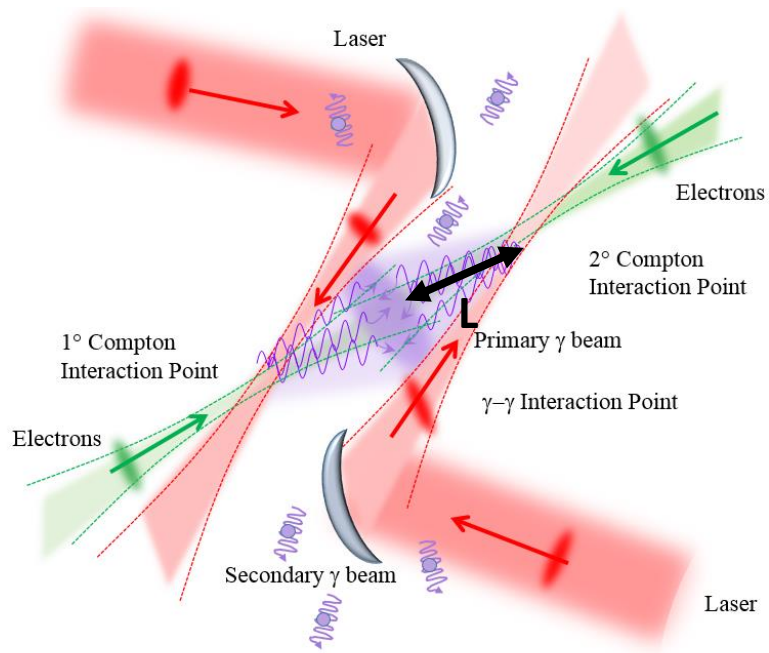
Distribution of the  $e^+e^-$  events in the laboratory as a function of the energy of the secondary particles  $E=E_{3,4}$  and of the zenith angle  $\theta$ .

B-W

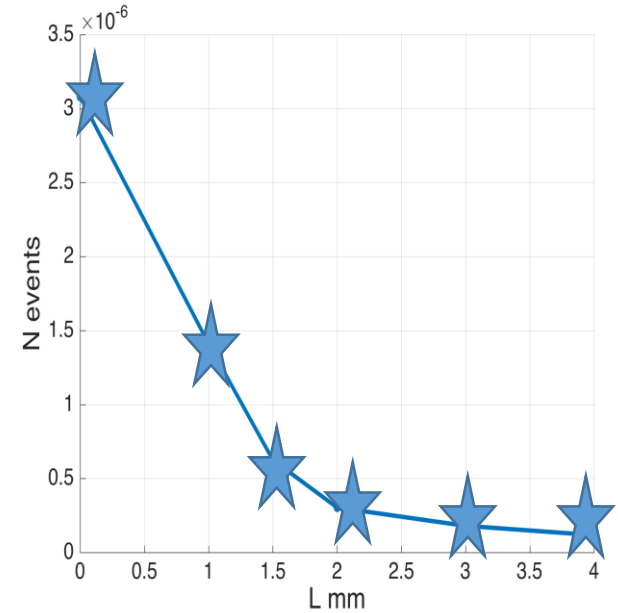




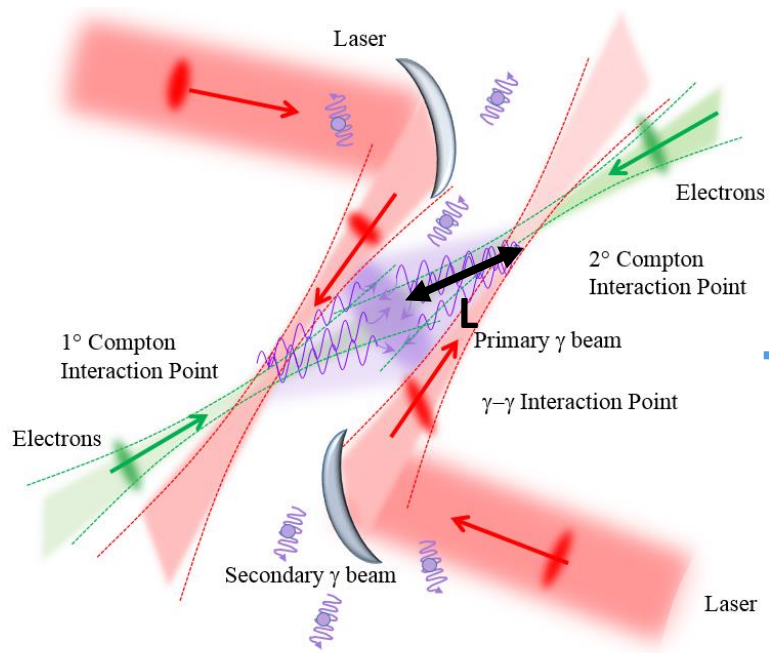
# Results of a Monte Carlo dedicated ROSE code the $\gamma$ - $\gamma$ elastic scattering



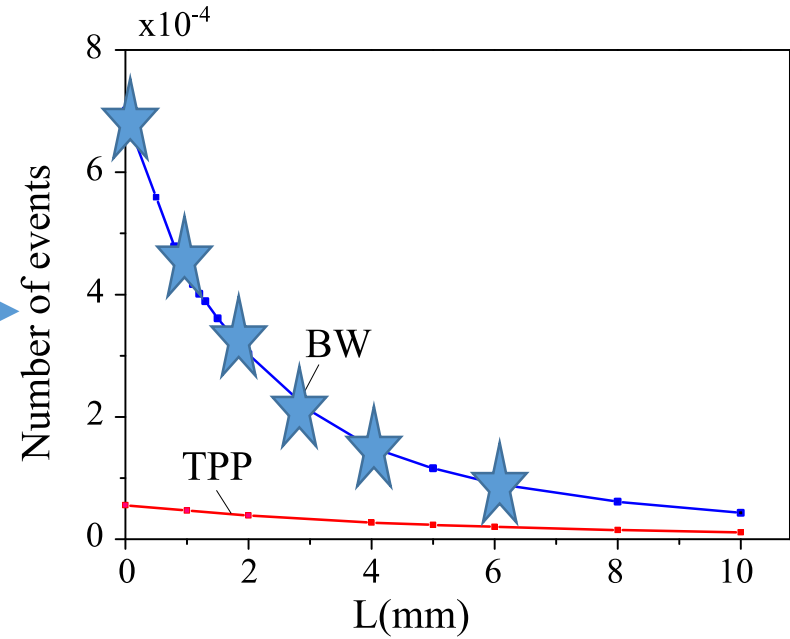
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# Results of a Monte Carlo dedicated ROSE code Breit-Wheeler scattering

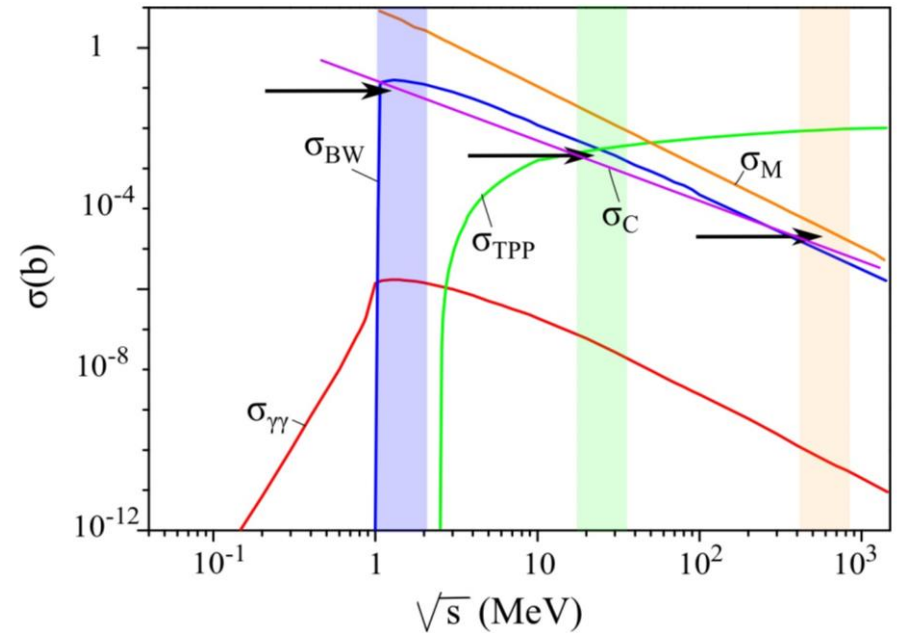
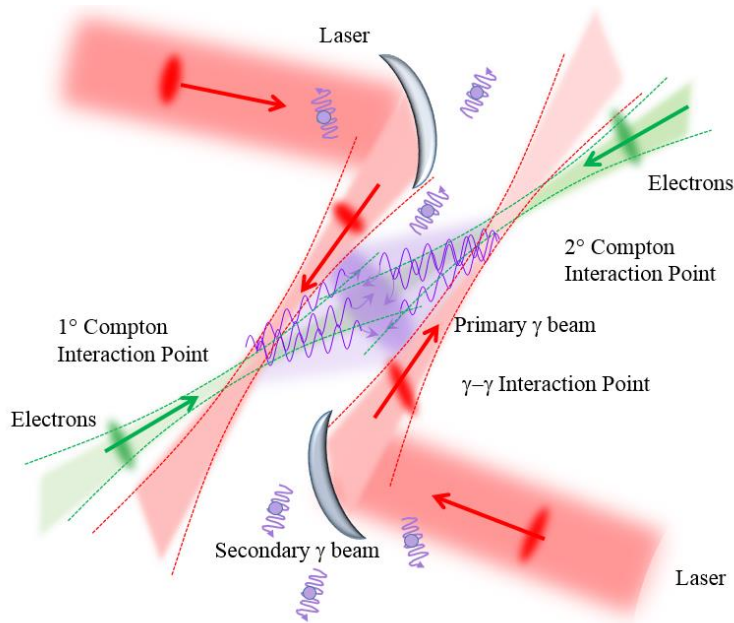


100 event/h



# Results of a Monte Carlo dedicated ROSE code for treatment of the **background processes**

secondary Compton ( $e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma$ ), Møller scattering ( $e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-$ ),  
triplet pair (TPP,  $\gamma e^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$ ), muon pair photo-production (MPP,  $\gamma e^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ )



Number of events for single shot,  $L = 4$  mm.

Event type	Breit-Wheeler	Compton	$\gamma\gamma$ pairs	Triplet pairs	Møller	Muon pairs
Number of event	$1.6 \times 10^{-4}$	$8 \times 10^{-6}$	$< 10^{-8}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$	0

# Conclusions

- A design of a cascaded  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  collider based on conventional Compton gamma sources was presented for the first observation of the elusive *scattering of light by light*.
- Our code ROSE, developed *ad hoc*, allow a set of simulations of the  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  interactions, Breit-Wheeler ( $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow e^- e^+$ ), scattering, Compton scattering ( $e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma$ ), Møller scattering ( $e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-$ ), triplet pair (TPP,  $\gamma e^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$ ), muon pair photo-production (MPP,  $\gamma e^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ ) and allows evaluation of the event rate and energy-angular distributions of the scattered gammas.

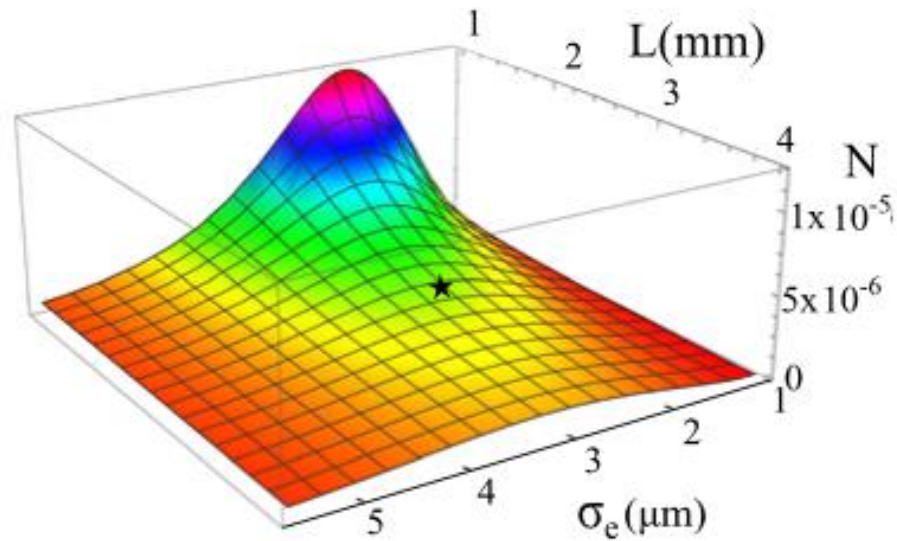


FIG. 5. Single shot number of events  $N$  as function of the rms transverse dimension of the electrons and of the distance  $L$  between Compton and  $\gamma\gamma$  IP.

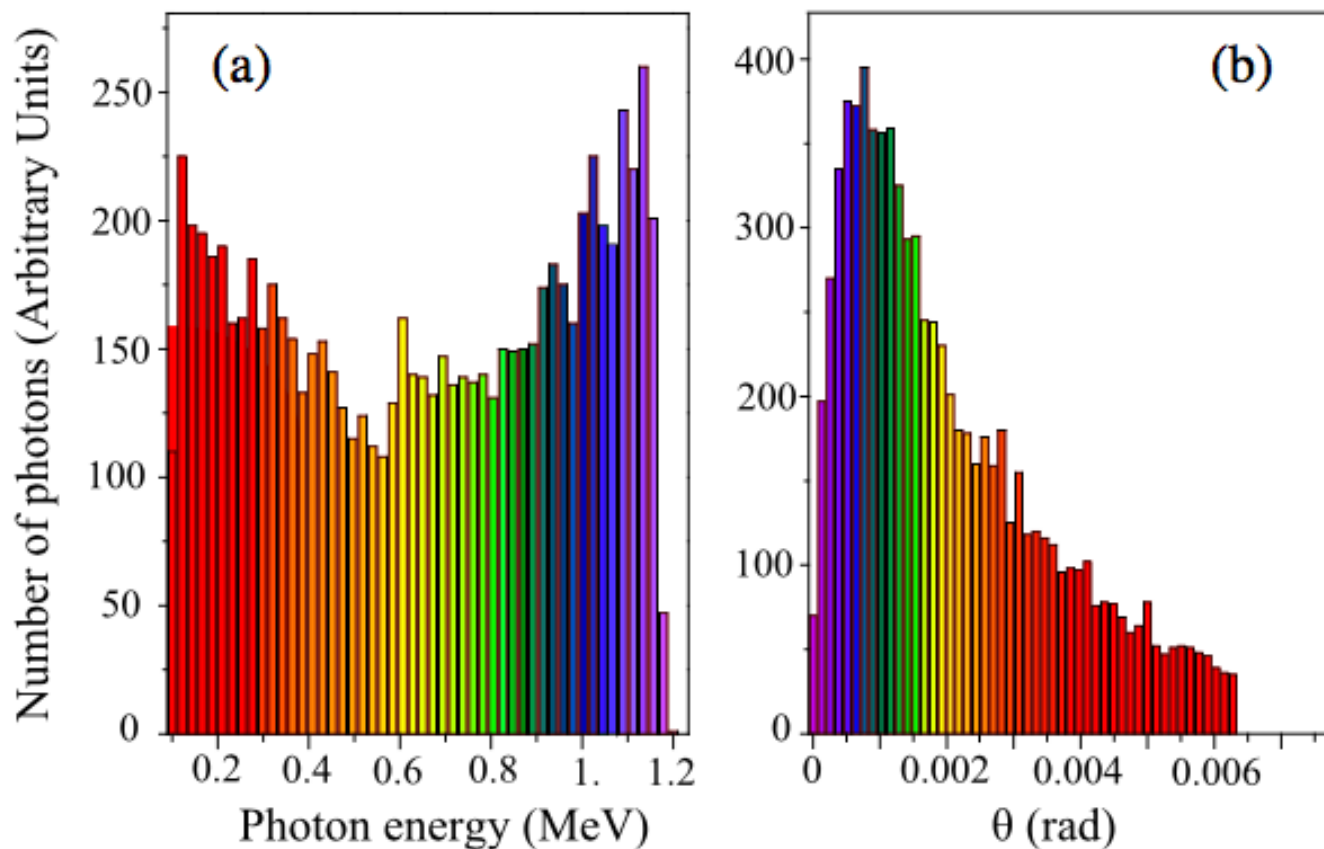


FIG. 4. Spectrum of the radiation (a) and angular distribution (b). Similar colors code similar groups of photons.