

P349 - Search for polarization effects in the antiproton production process

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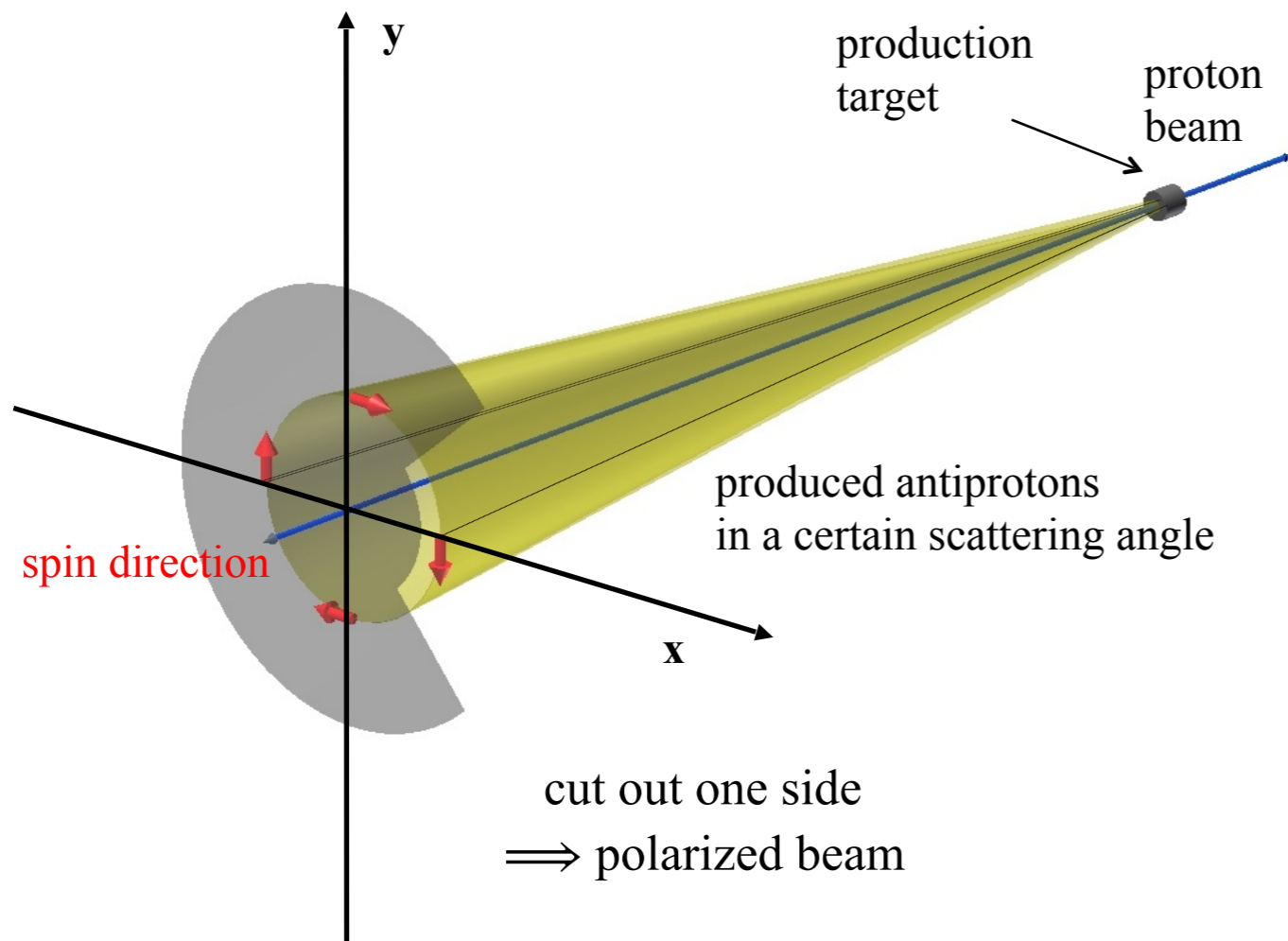
Motivation

Preparation of a polarized antiproton beam \implies

requested for specific experiments (e.g. transversity distribution)
allows more detailed analysis

various methods under discussion (e.g. spinfiltering)

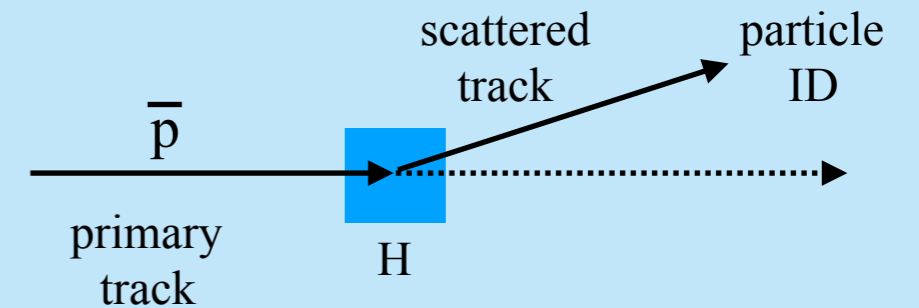
simplest method (if production polarized)



experiment:

measurement of the asymmetry
of elastic \bar{p} - p scattering
at known analyzing power

CNI region : $A_y = 4.5 \%$



$$d\sigma/(d\theta d\varphi) = d\sigma/d\theta (1 + A_y * P * \cos(\varphi))$$

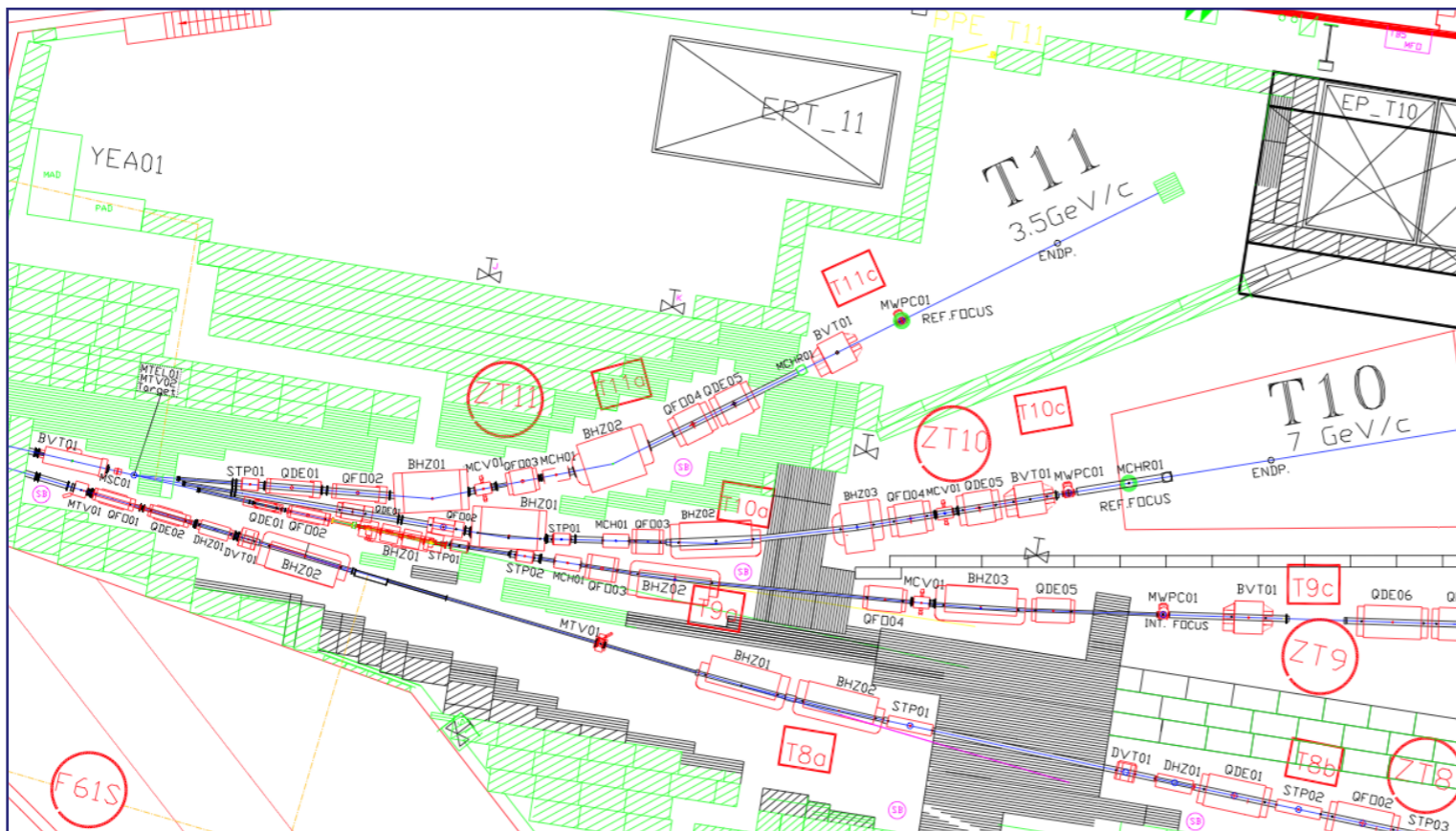
Experiment conditions

- Production of \bar{p} under useful conditions

\bar{p} momentum ≈ 3.5 GeV/c
 (\bar{p} production at AD and future FAIR facility)

no s-wave production ($\theta_{lab} > 56$ mrad)

\Rightarrow **T11:** \bar{p} momentum ≤ 3.5 GeV/c ($\leq \pm 5\%$)
 production angle = 150 mr (± 3 mrad h, ± 10 mrad v)

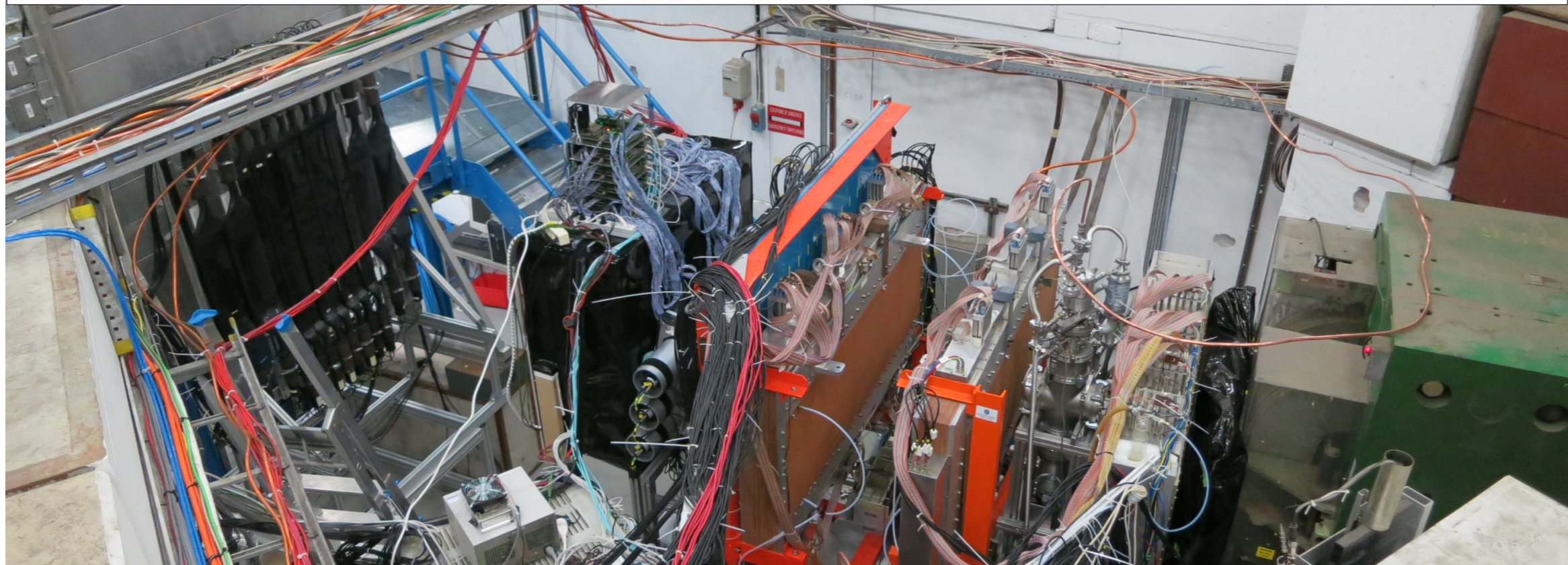
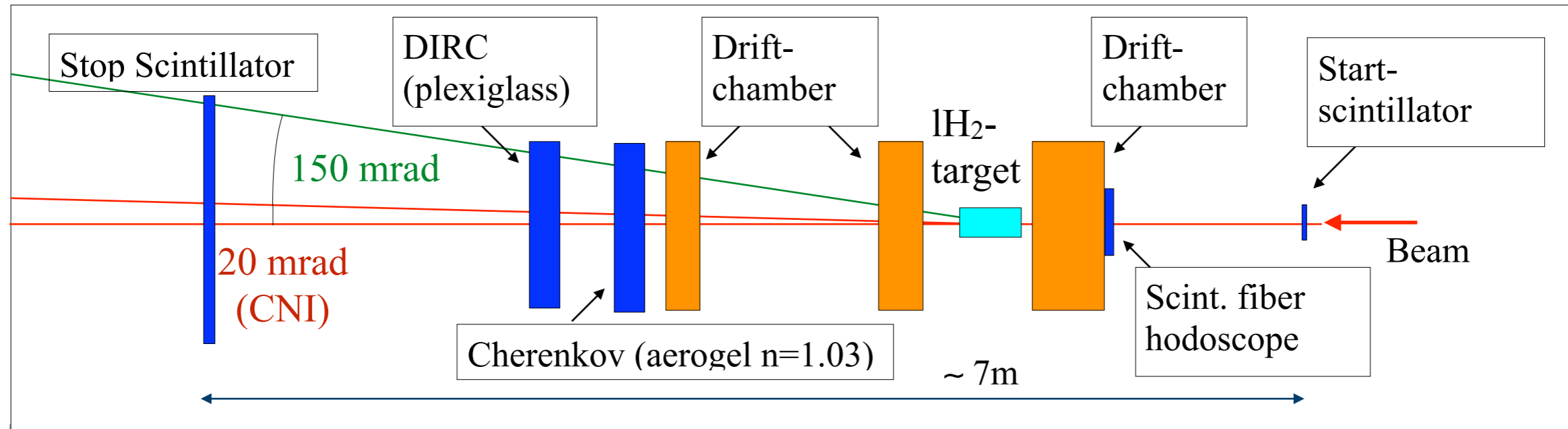


CERN/PS
 test beam
 east area

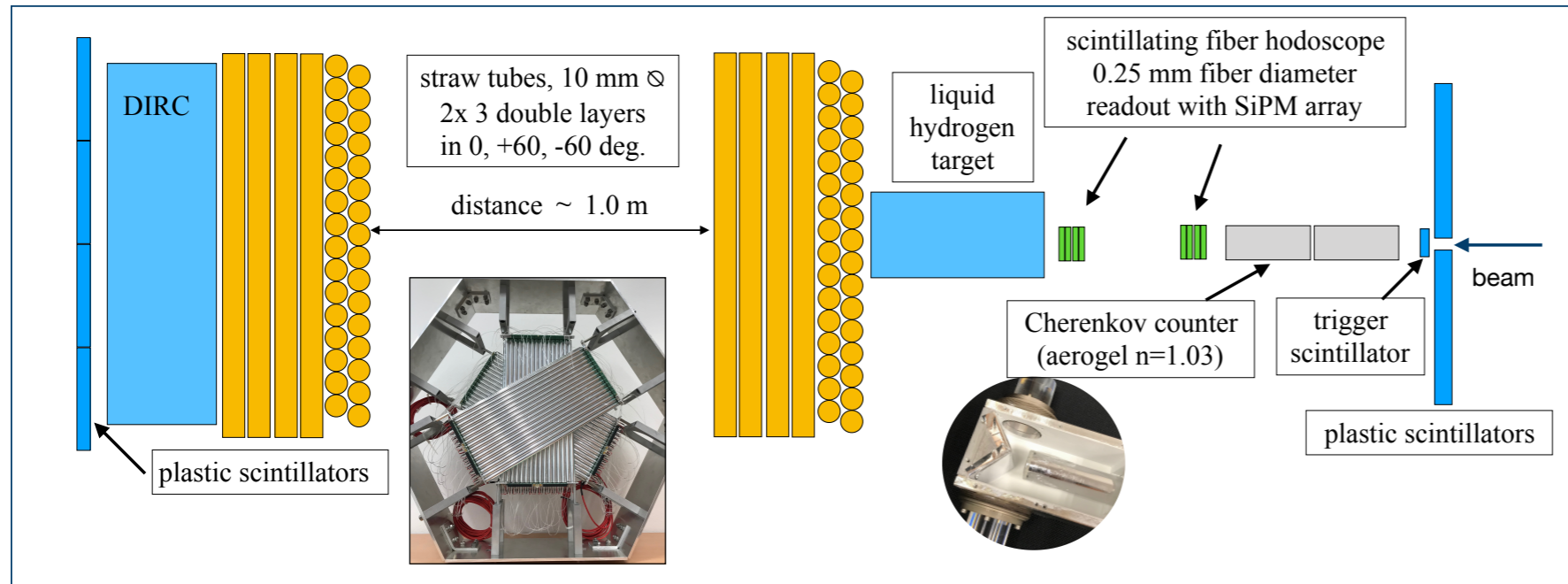
data taking: 7 days 12/2014
 14 days 06/2015
 5 days 07/2018

P349 - detection system 2014/2015

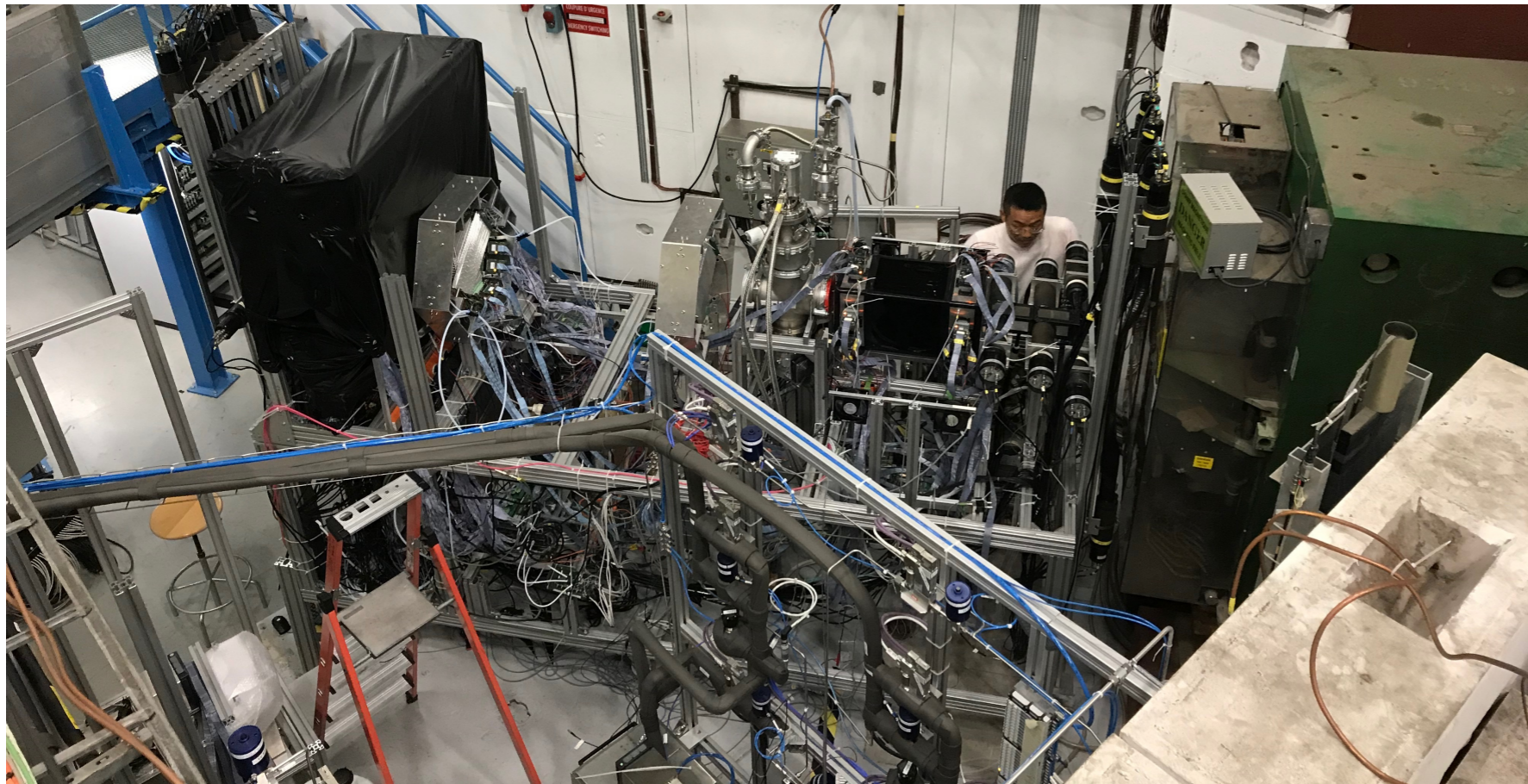
Trigger: signal in Startscintillator and Stopscintillator, no signal in Cherenkov (veto)



P349 - detection system July/August 2018



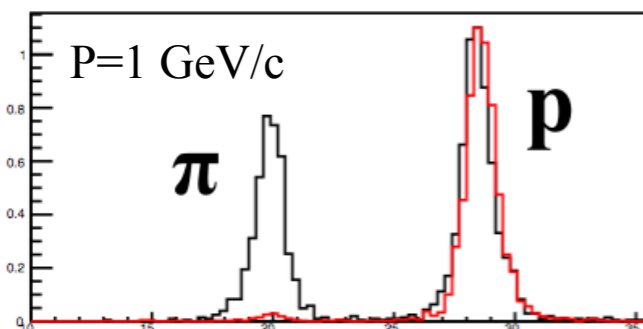
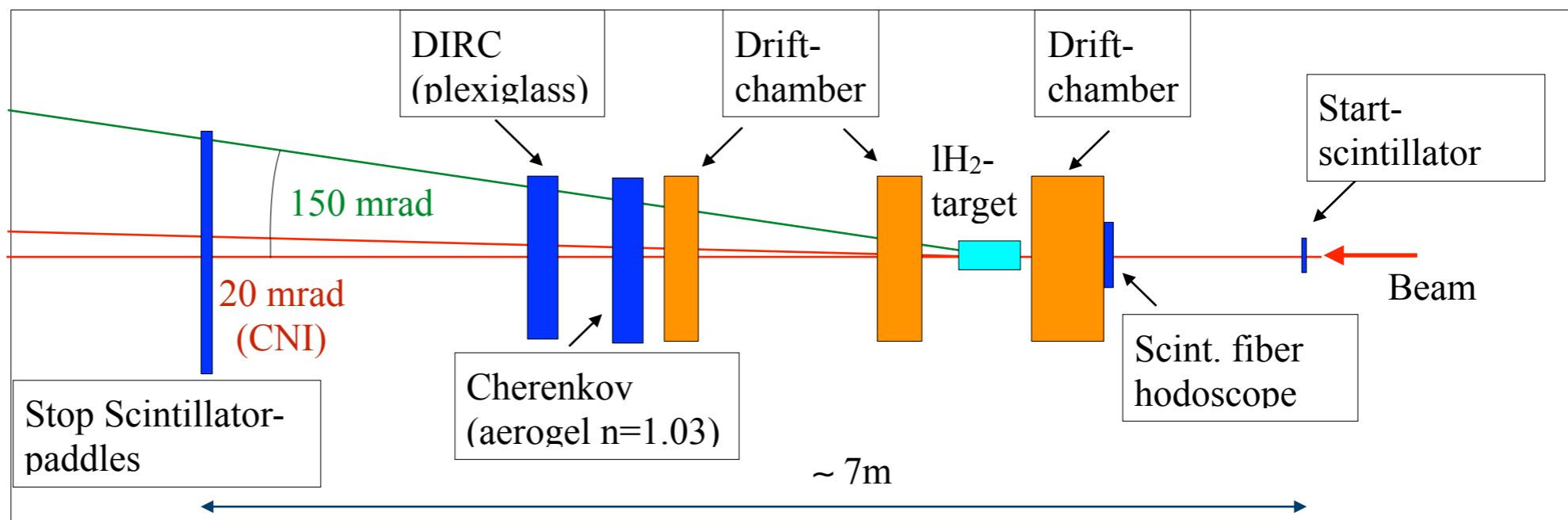
removal of detection system
(all components mounted on one
frame)



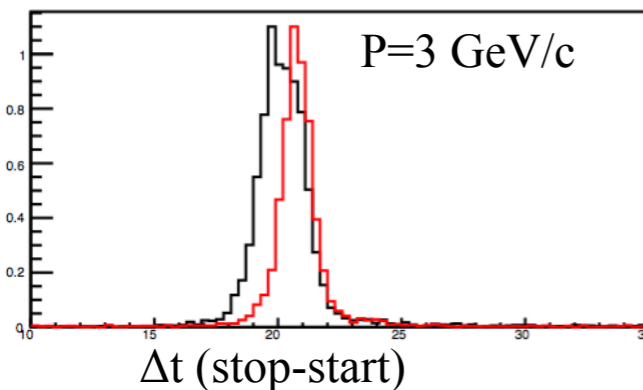
installation at T11

P349 Experiment and analysis

determination of pion reduction



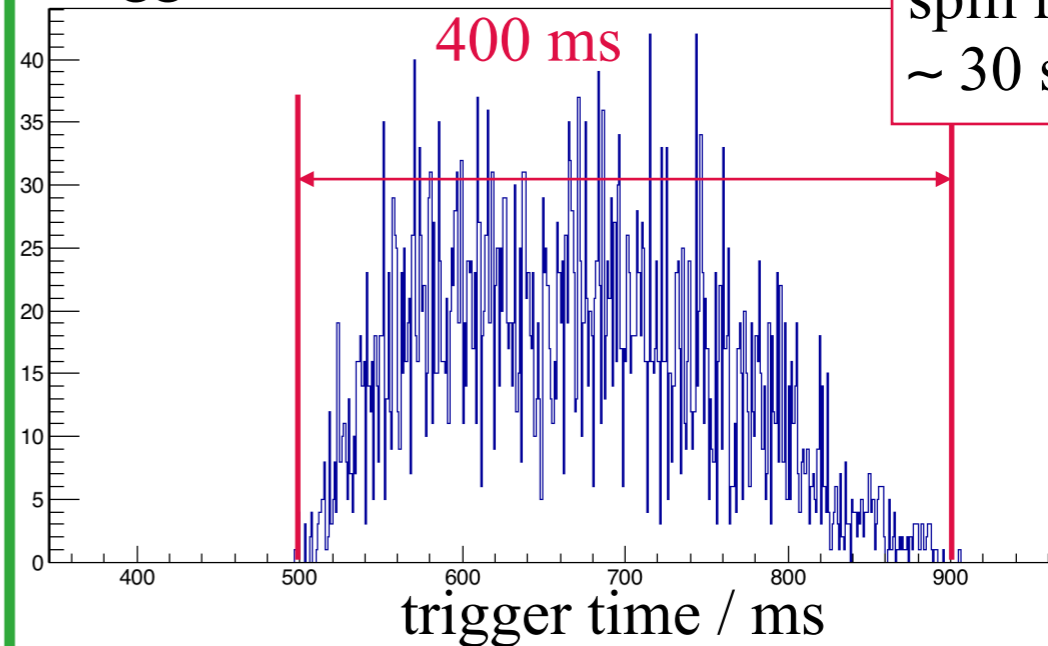
separate datasets:
black: data no Cherenkov veto
red: Cherenkov veto on



check of Cherenkov veto with p/π^+

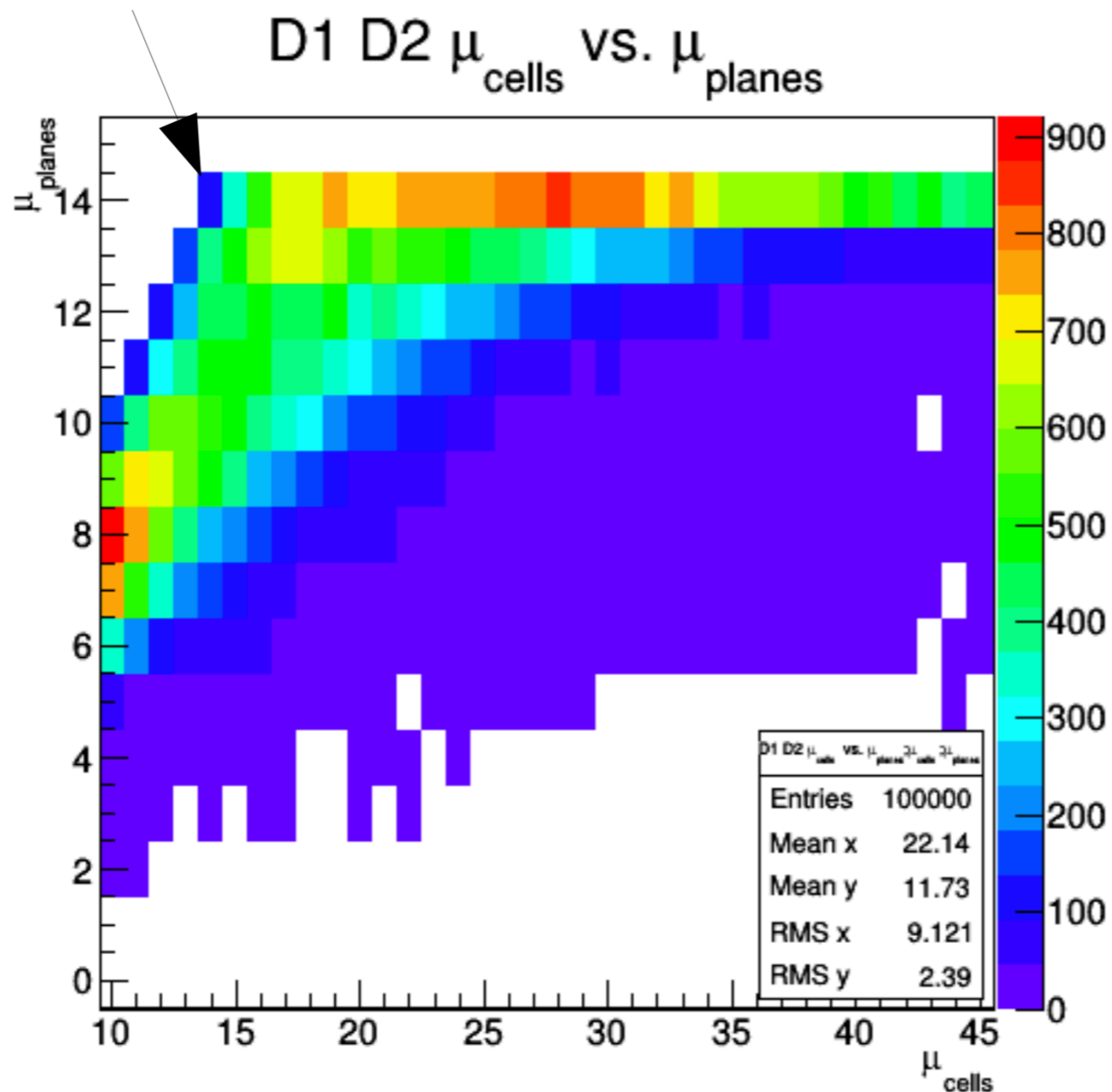
→ suppression of pions $\sim 1/30$

trigger time distribution



Calibration and positioning of drift chambers

⇒ selection of perfect tracks,
i.e. one hit in each dc-plane (14 cells, 14 planes)



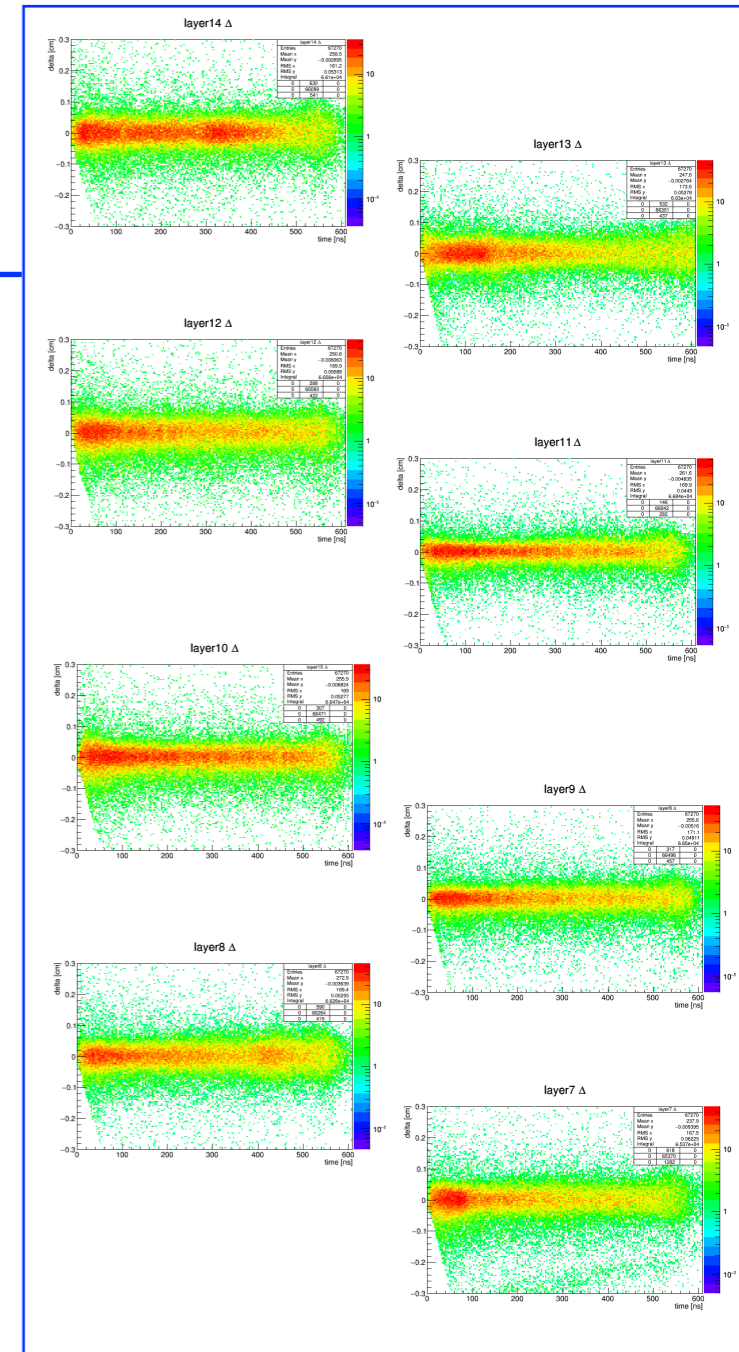
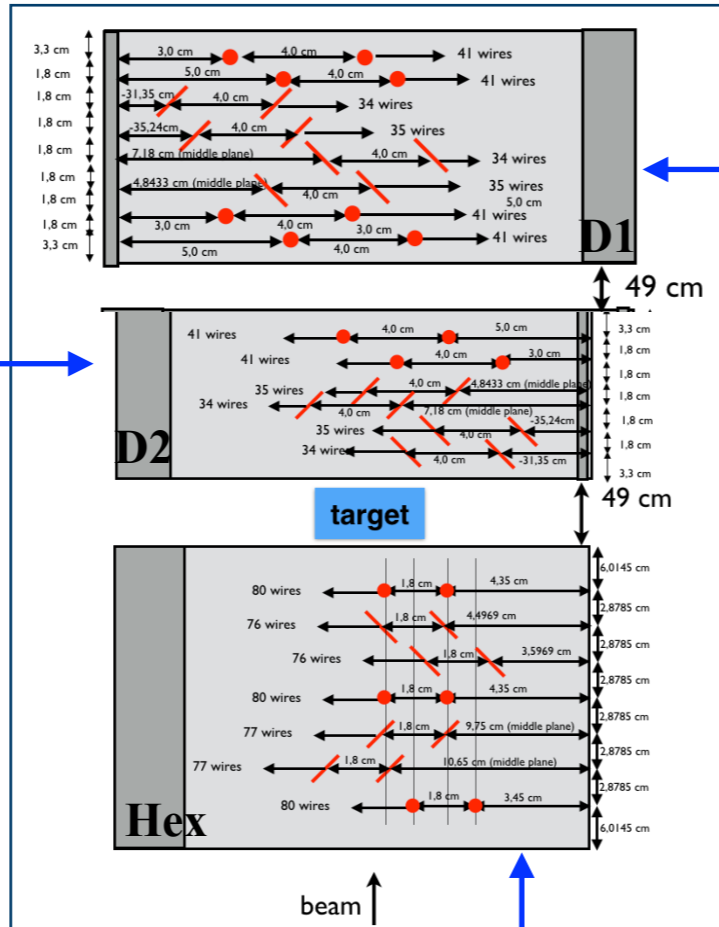
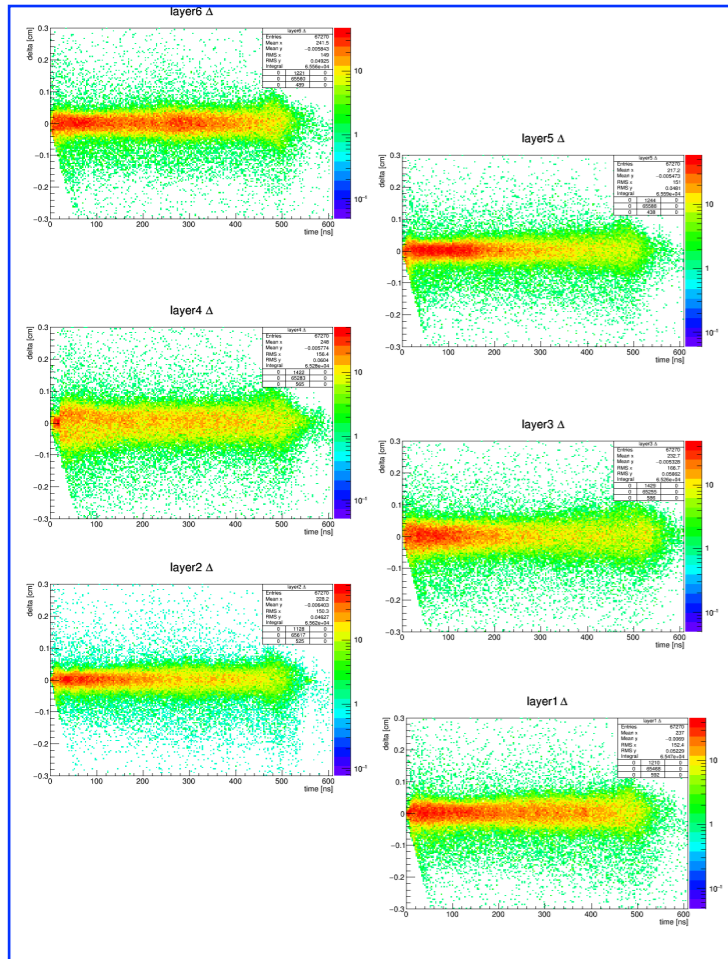
Multiplicity distribution of drift chamber signals

after perfect calibration and positioning

removal of background signals

track reconstruction of all events with at least 1 vertical and 1 inclined wire signal in D1 and D2

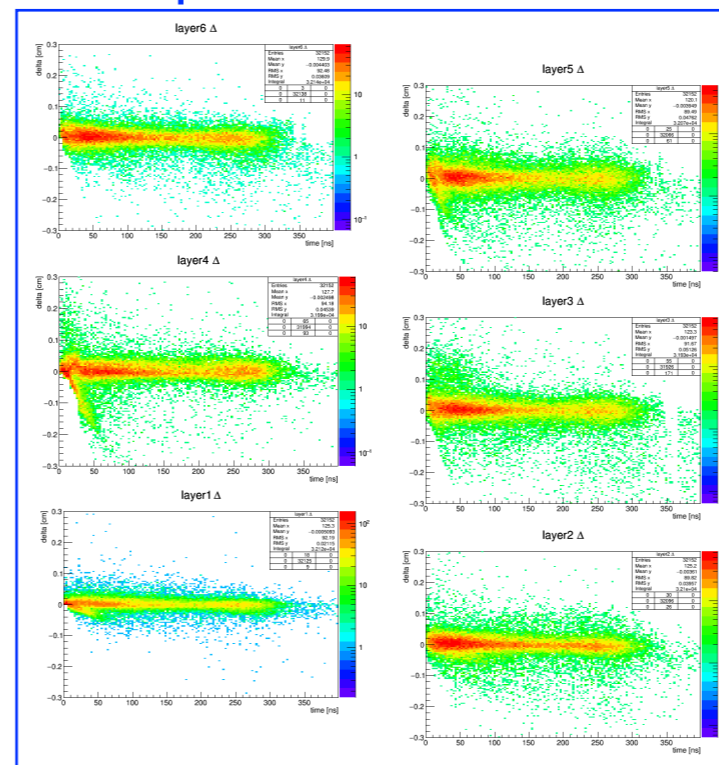
Drift chamber Calibration



residuals of separate dc-planes

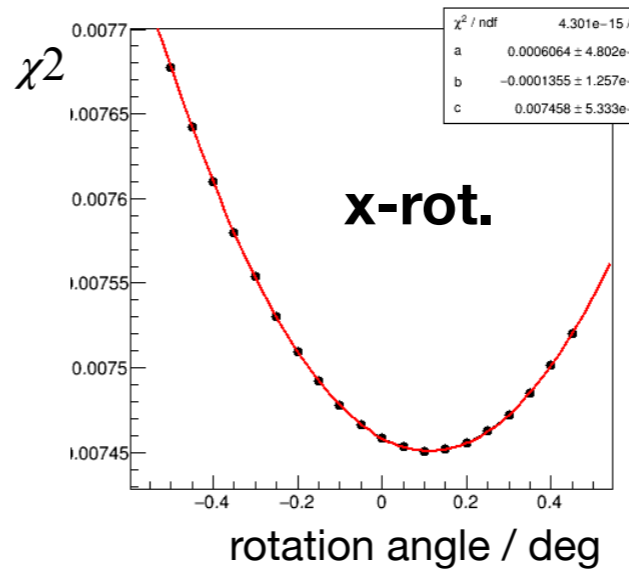
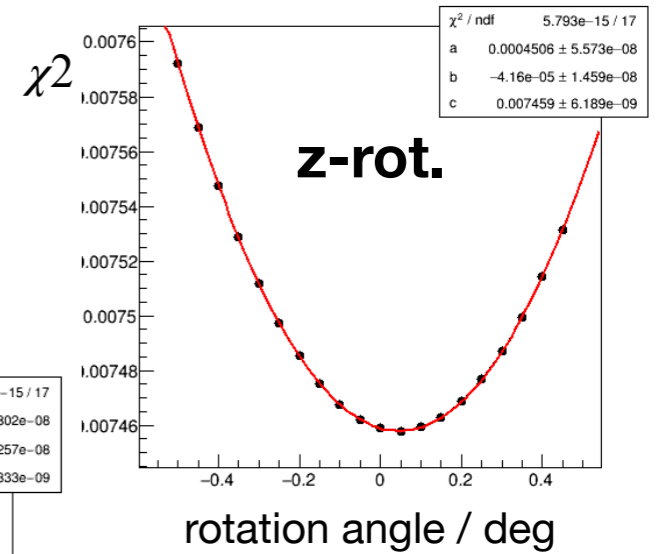
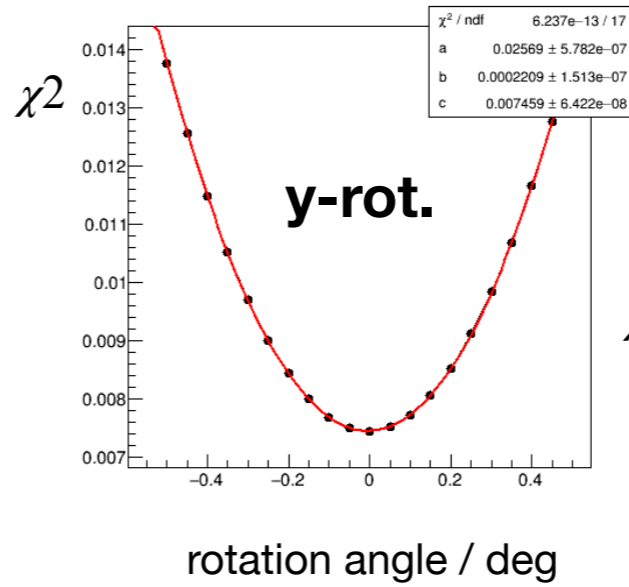
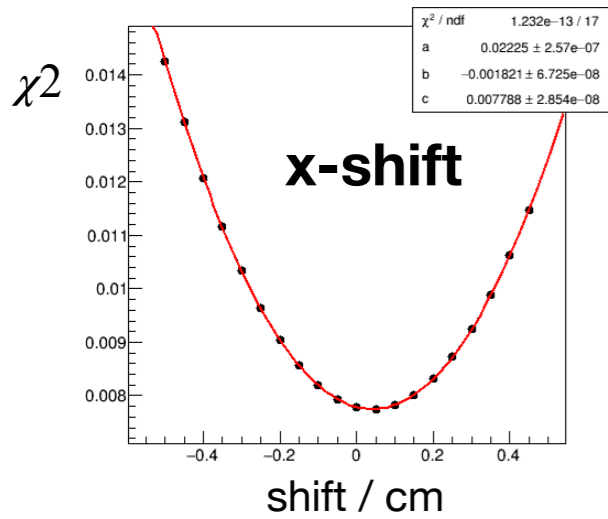
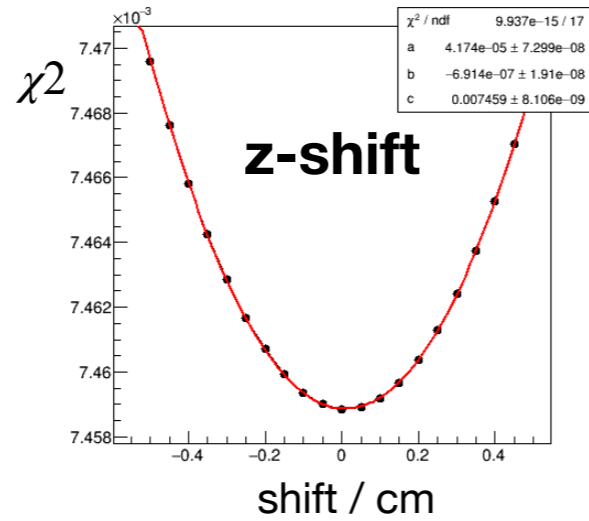
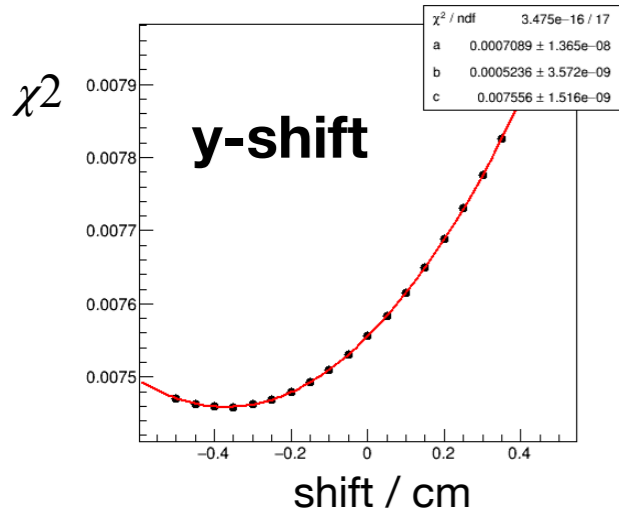
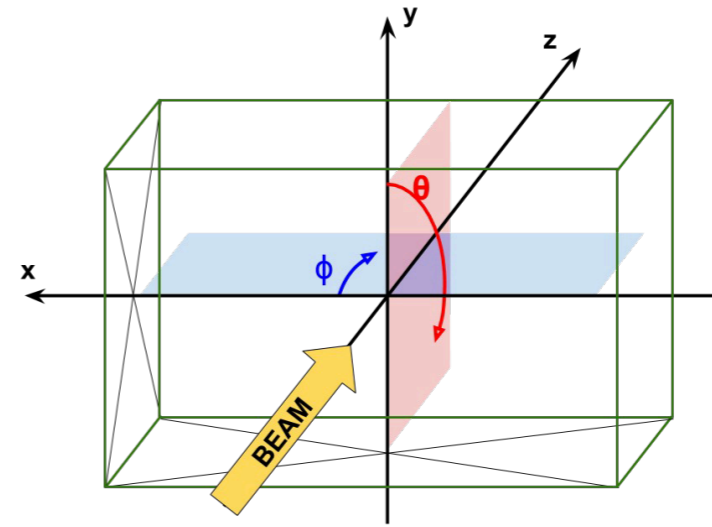
Position resolution (σ):
150 - 300 μm

⇒ expected track resolution:
< 1 mrad



DC Positioning

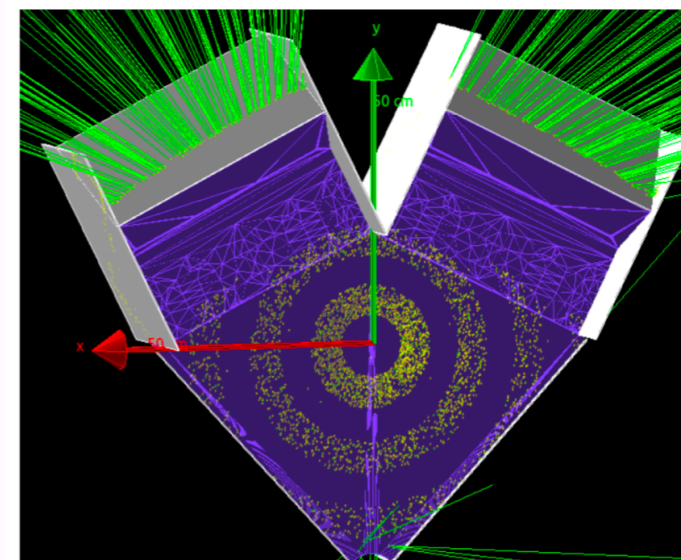
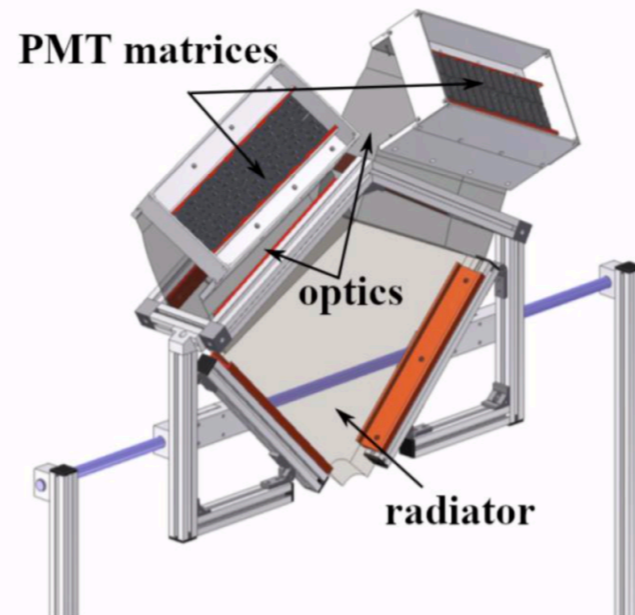
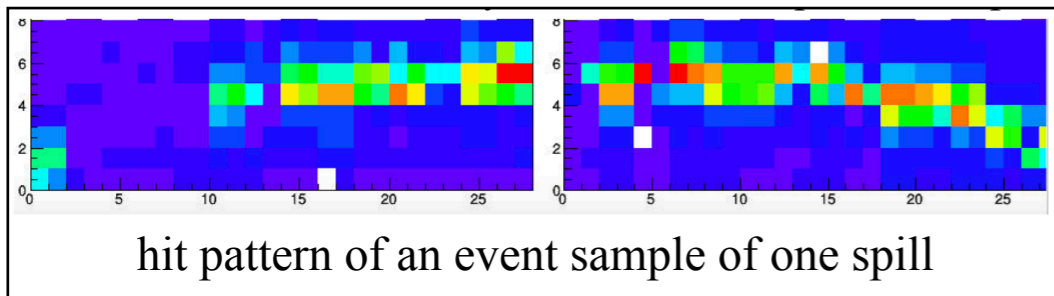
D2 is shifted/rotated relative to D1
determine mean χ^2 for track fit
as a function of shift



track reconstruction precision
sufficient for positioning

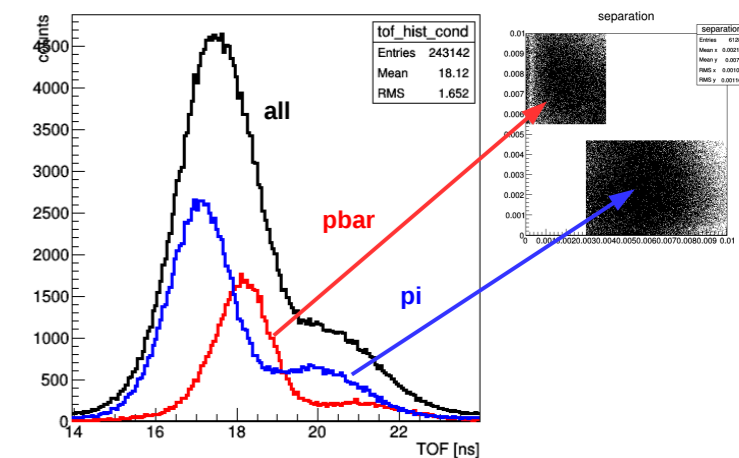
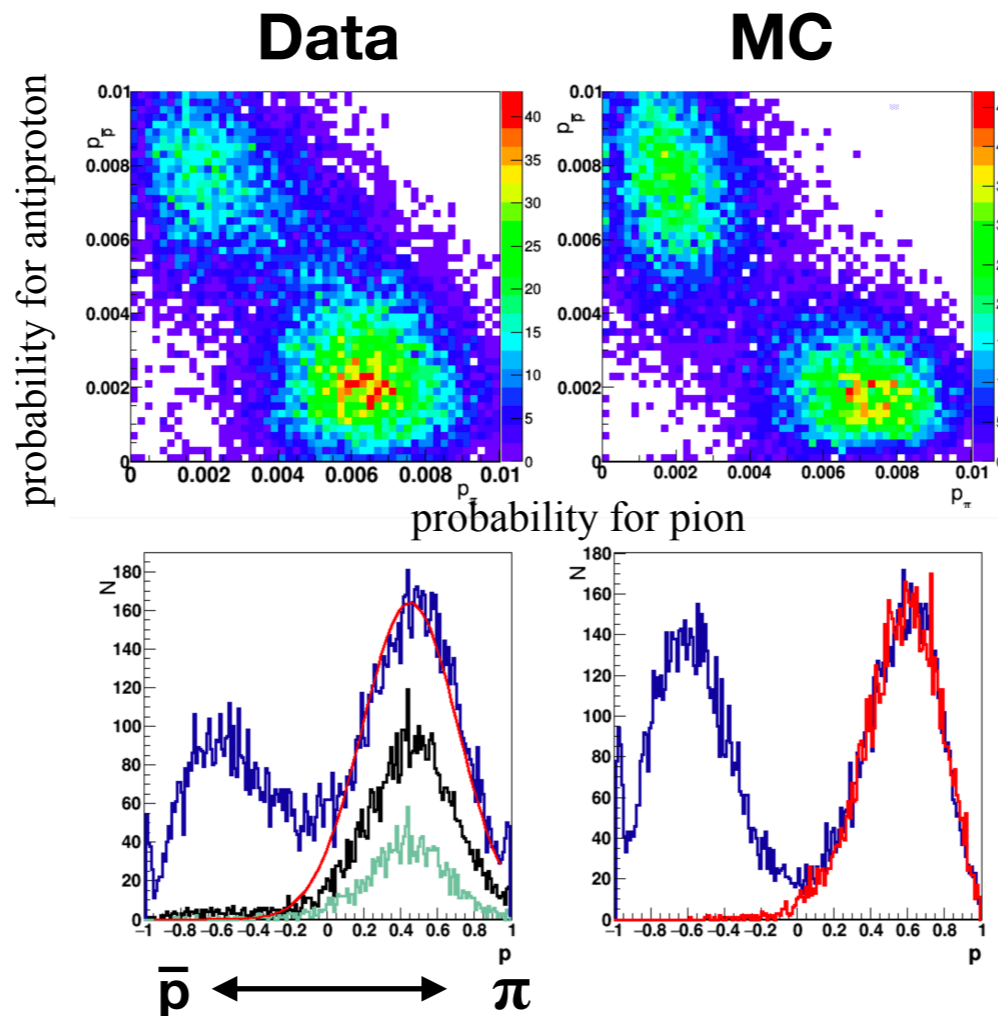
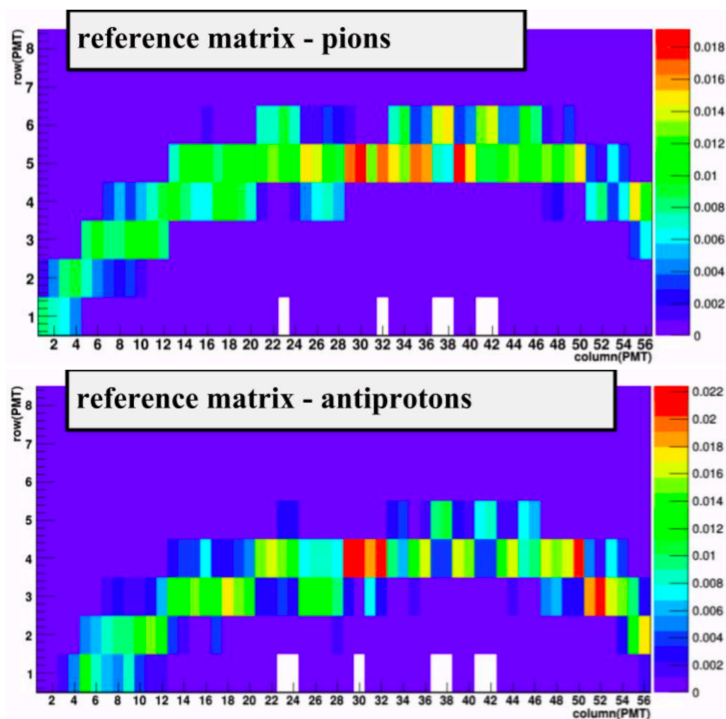
Particle ID

distribution of Cherenkov photons in DIRC

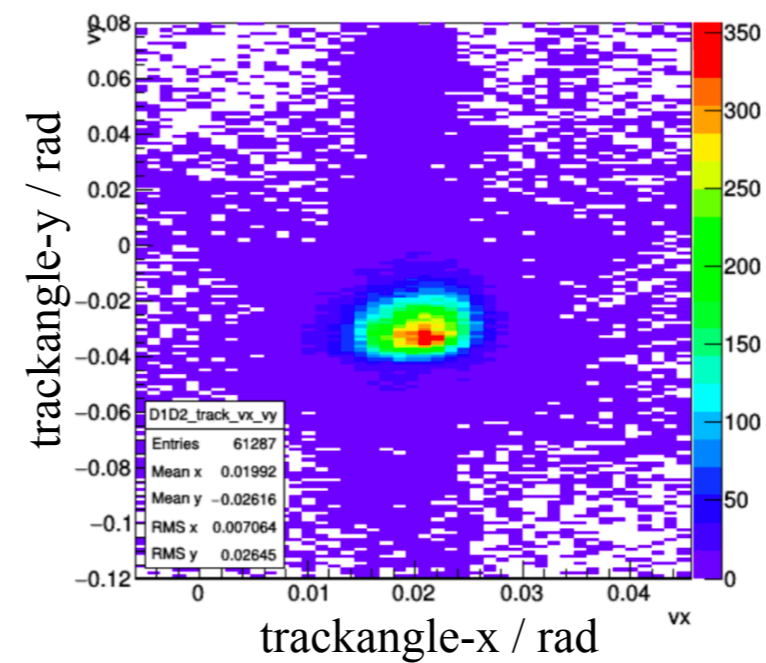
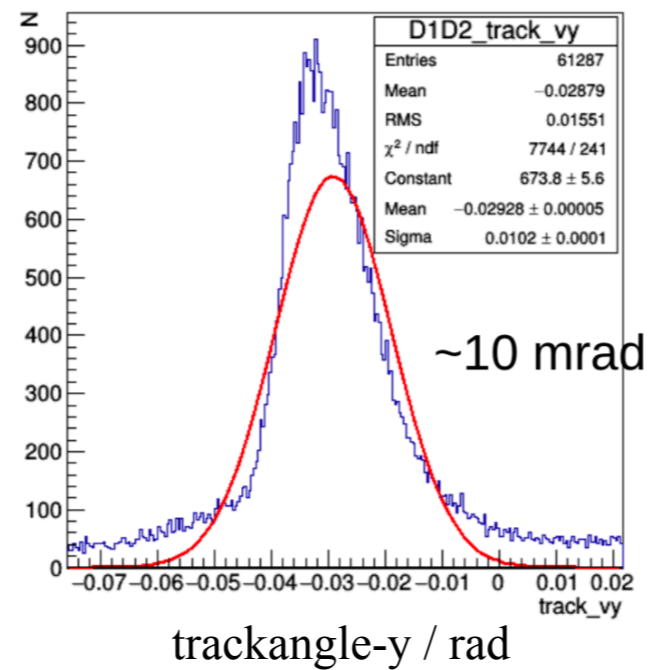
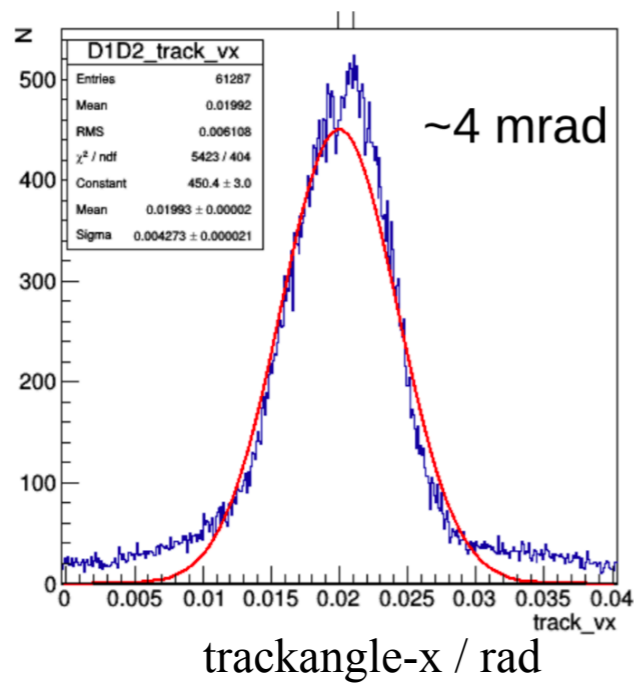


\bar{p} -selection: position and angular dependent Cherenkov arc reconstruction (MC supported)

generation of reference matrices for pion and antiproton (GEANT4)



\bar{P} - tracks from D1/D2



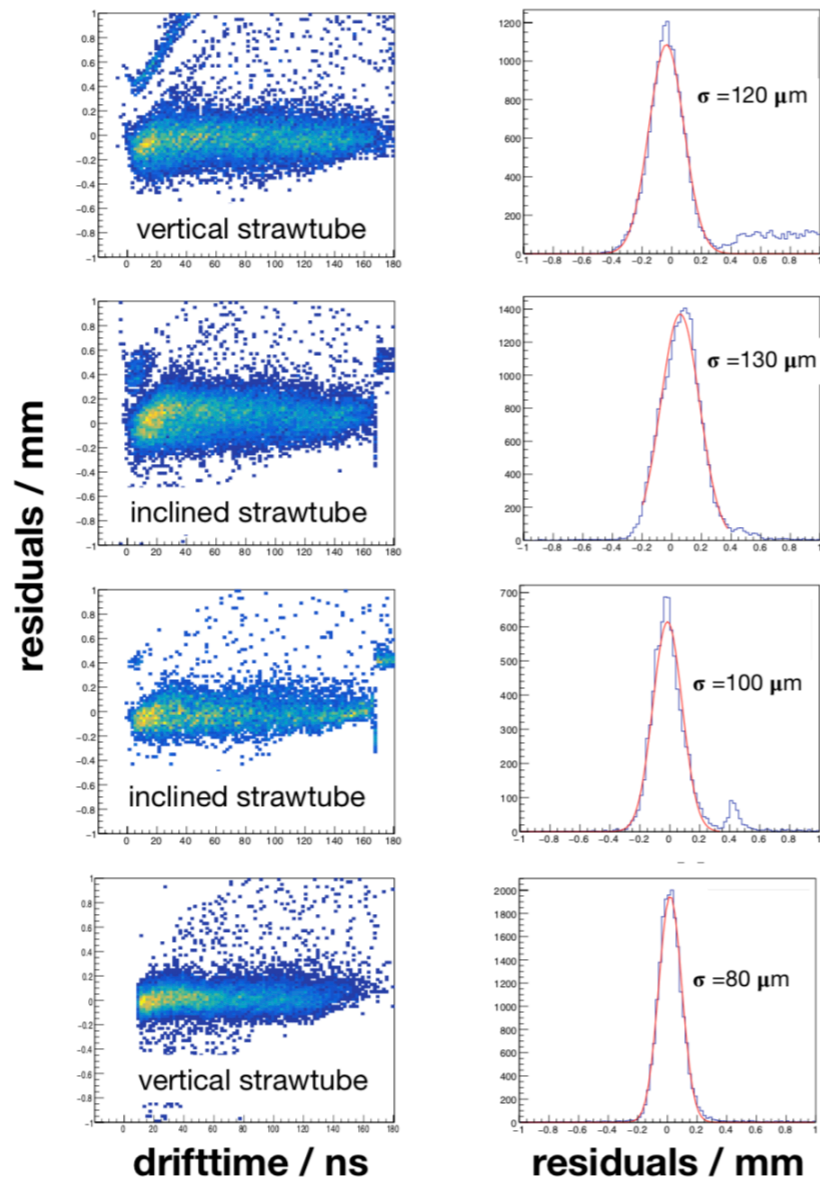
consistent with T11 beam parameters: $\sigma_{x'} = 3.89$ mrad, $\sigma_{y'} = 8.43$ mrad

in general all components work but:

- high background (multiple particles, additional sources due to scattered particles,...),
- beam condition changes,
- change of detector positioning,
- low efficiency,

...

Straw-tubes for tracking



position resolution:
 $\sigma = 100 - 150 \mu\text{m}$

many problems during beam time with: data acquisition and detector components

⇒ effectively ~ 5 days data taking

tracking with straw-tubes worked very good, but fiber detector shows low efficiency

achieved statistics

assumed (proposal): at T11 ($p = 3.5 \text{ GeV}/c$): $5 \cdot 10^5$ particles/spill, 4000 \bar{p} /spill
 4000 spills/day (spill every 22 s)
 21 days beam time

$\Rightarrow 4.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ particles , $3.3 \cdot 10^8 \bar{p}$

estimate event sample (data): 3 days: $5.5 \cdot 10^7$ particles (triggered events), $6 \cdot 10^4 \bar{p}$
 21 days (2014/2015): $3.8 \cdot 10^8 \times 30$ (pion reduction) = $1.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ particles
 5 days (2018): $2.4 \cdot 10^8 \times 30$ (assumed pion reduction) = $7 \cdot 10^9$ particles

$\Rightarrow 1.9 \cdot 10^{10}$ particles statistics: 50% of required events

estimate reconstructed \bar{p} : 3 days: $6 \cdot 10^4 \bar{p}$
 26 days (2014/2015/2018): $5.2 \cdot 10^5 \bar{p}$

event reduction due to applied cuts:

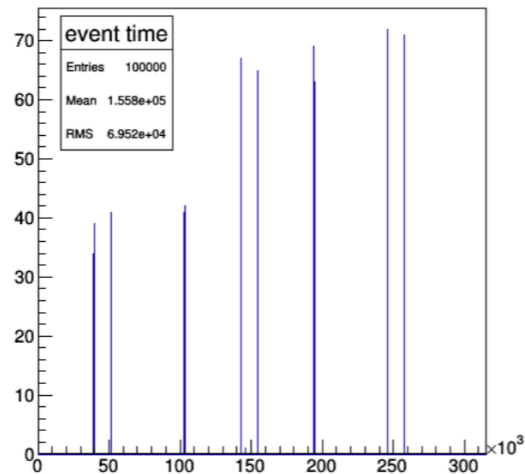
triggered events	:	100 000	all particles
start & stop signal	:	> 20 000	single hit start&stop
DIRC signals	:	>2 500	antiprotons
track reconstruction	:	>300	antiproton tracks

antiproton numbers
 drastically too low
 improvement still possible

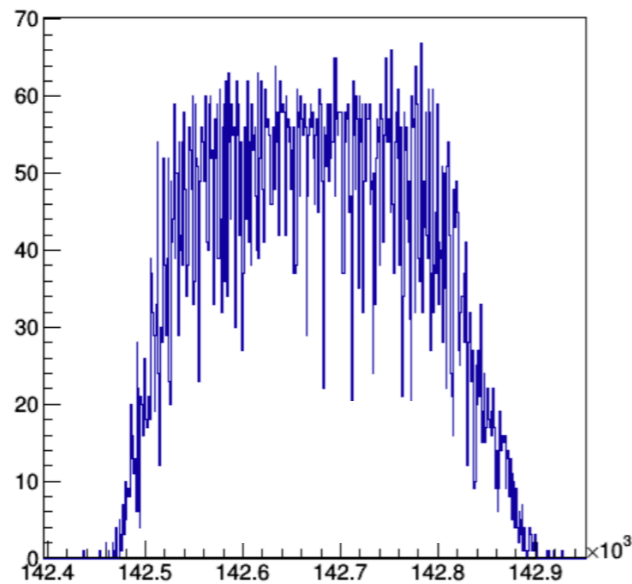
achieved statistics

drastic reduction not obvious in the beginning:

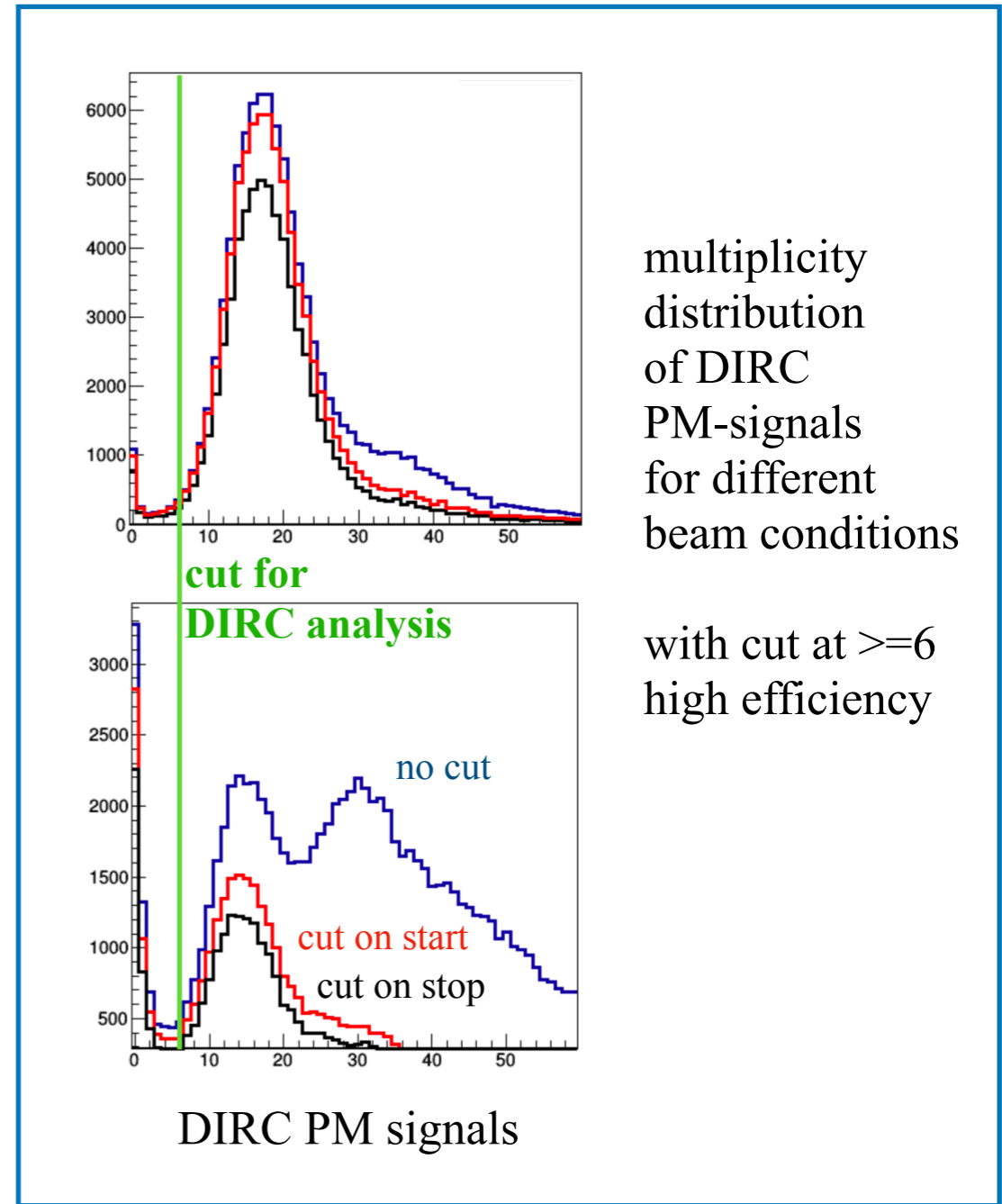
sample of 100 000 triggered events



8 spills
 \implies 12 500 events/spill
 with reduction factor 30
 due to Cherenkov veto
 375 000 particles
 roughly consistent with
 assumed rate



homogeneous event
 distribution in spill
 \implies event rate
 10^6 events/s
 close to limit



multiplicity
 distribution
 of DIRC
 PM-signals
 for different
 beam conditions

with cut at ≥ 6
 high efficiency

extraction of tracks and antiproton events
 requires final analysis

next steps:

complete analysis of all data

new measurement?

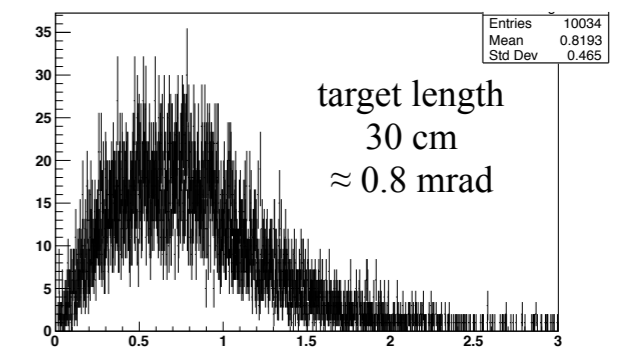
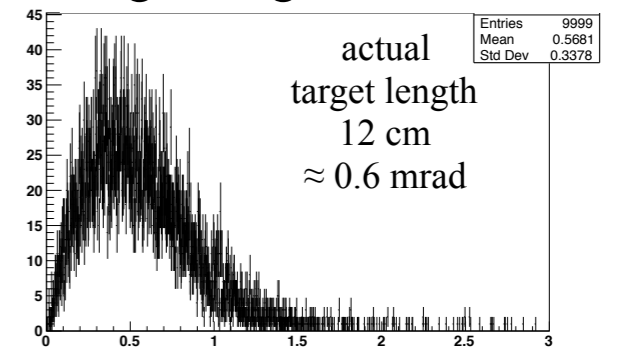
if antiproton rate can be significantly increased

- ⇒ increase target volume
- increase pion reduction factor
- increase efficiency of all detector components to 100%

possible procedure:

improve detection system
test with proton beam at COSY
if requested statistics can be achieved
(based on knowledge from data analysis)
beam time request at T11

straggling increase
due to increased
target length



straggling angle at target exit