

TORCH – simulation and reconstruction

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Outline

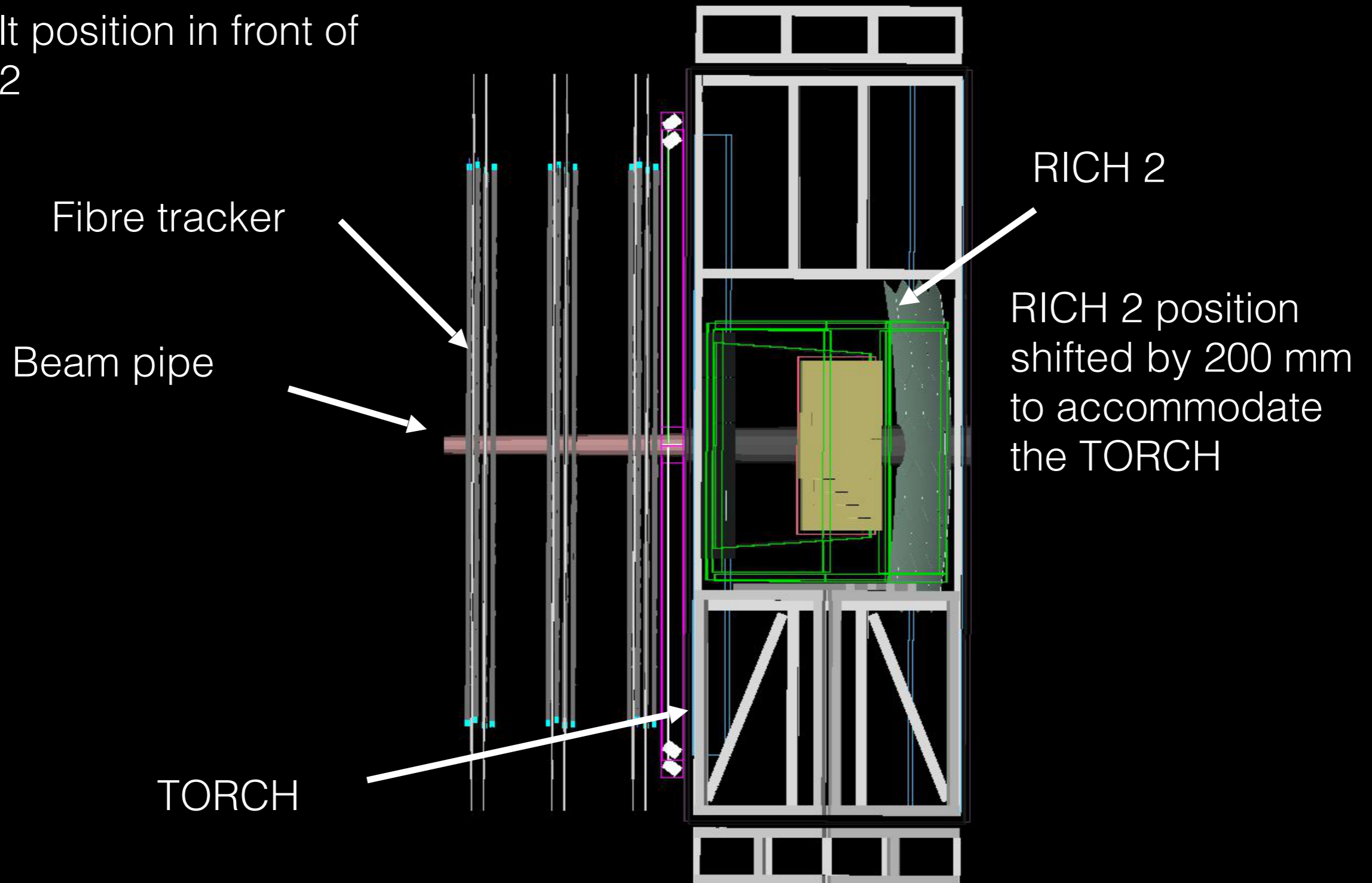
- TORCH simulation and reconstruction
- Performance in **Upgrade Ib** conditions.
- Performance in **Upgrade II** conditions.
- Primary-vertex timing.
- Physics studies.

TORCH simulation

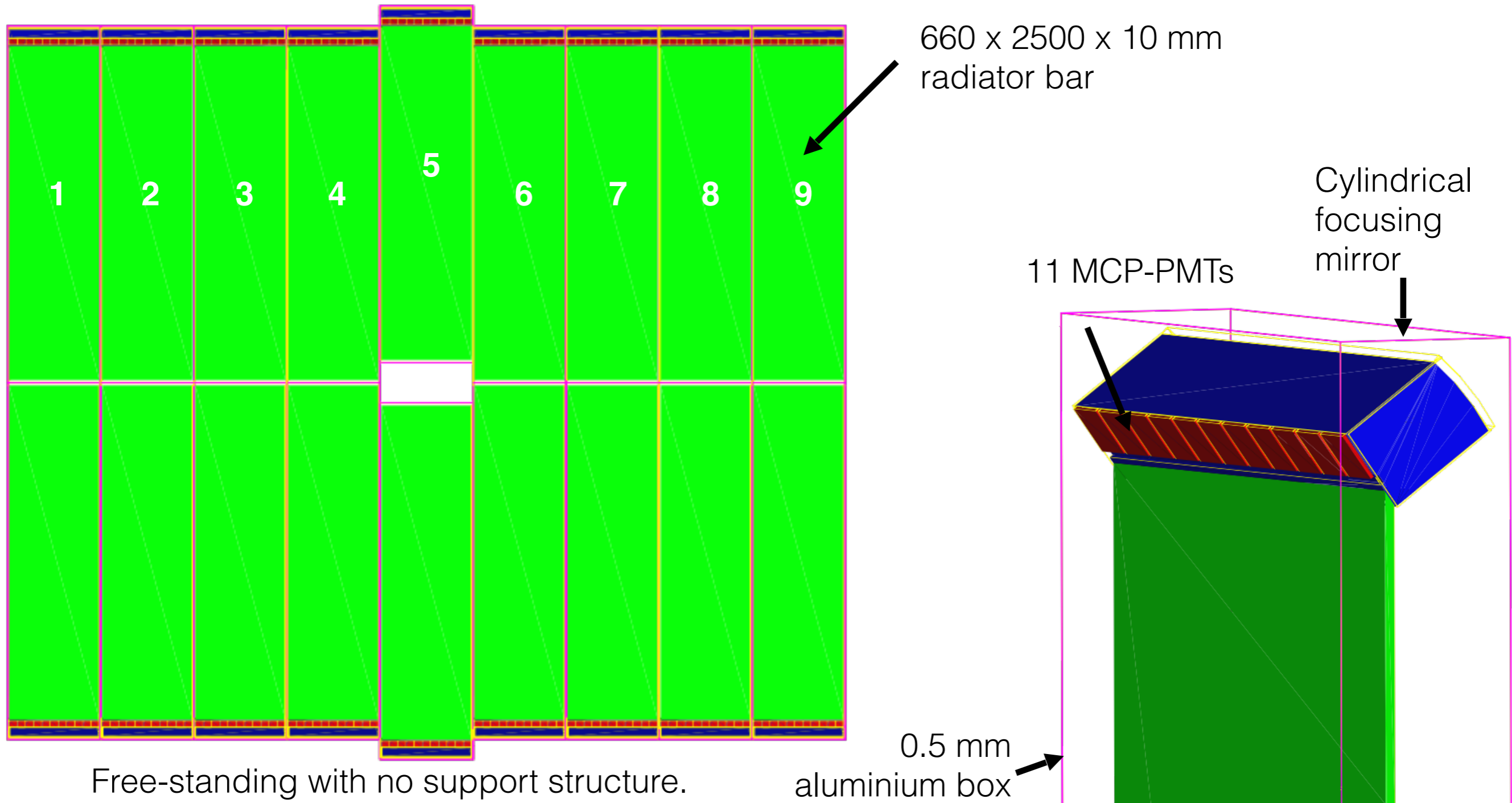
- A simulation of the TORCH has been developed in the LHCb software framework:
 - ▶ An **XML** detector geometry has been implemented in **DDDB** to describe the TORCH optical elements.
 - ▶ Code has been ported from **Geant 4** to **GaussRICH** to implement surface roughness effects.
- We then persist photons reaching the MCP-PMTs at the output of **Gauss** and use a standalone reconstruction.

TORCH in LHCb

Default position in front of RICH 2



Module geometry



Data taking conditions

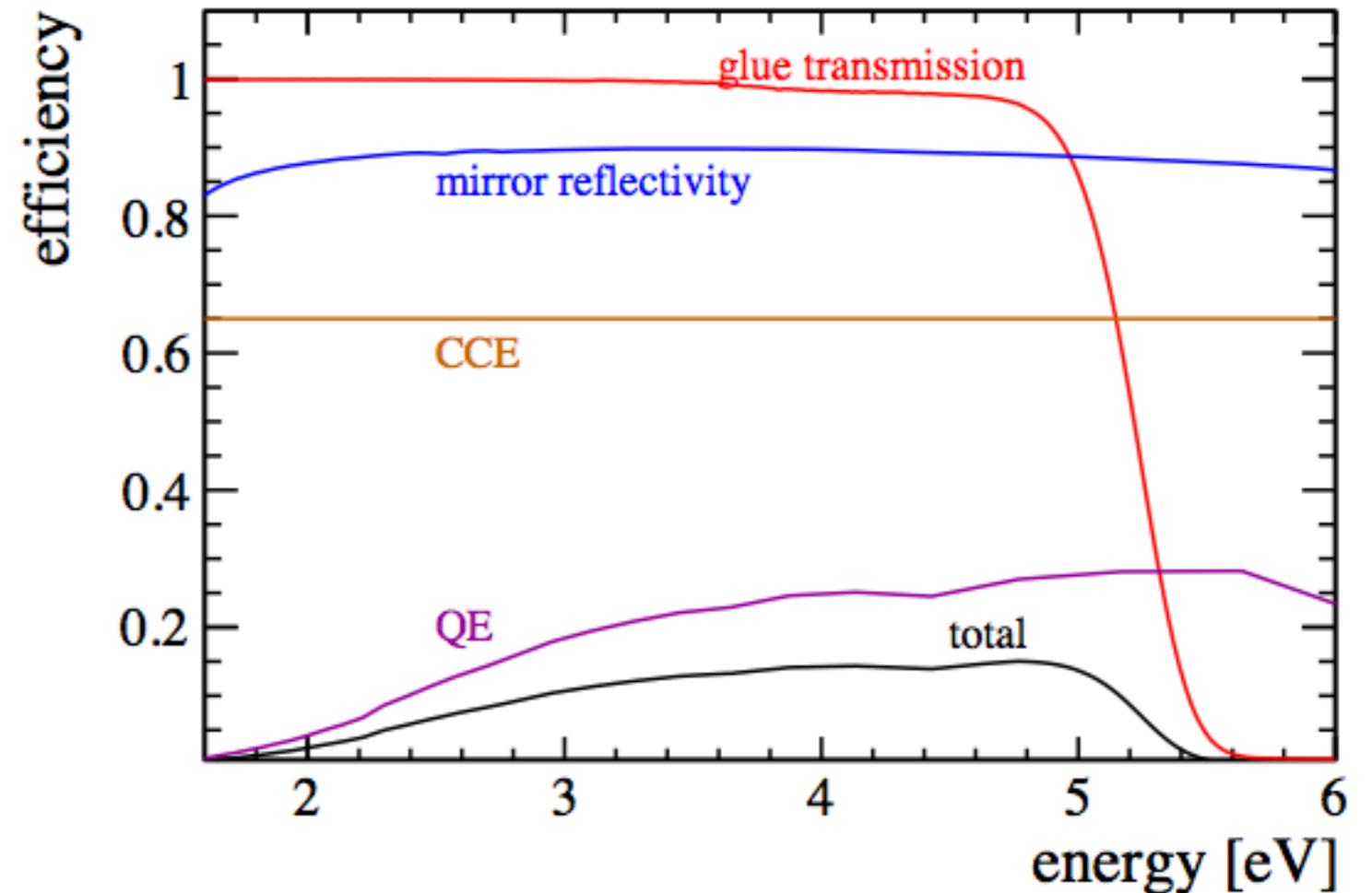
- Simulate $b\bar{b}$ events in **Upgrade Ib** conditions, i.e. an instantaneous luminosity of $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ and a pile-up of $\mu = 7.6$.
 - ➔ Generate spill-over from ± 2 bunch-crossings.
- Preliminary studies have also been performed for the **Upgrade II** luminosity of $\mathcal{L} = 1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$.
 - ➔ Merge events from **Upgrade Ib** studies to simulate the conditions, assuming the tracking performance is unchanged.

Reconstruction

- Extrapolate tracks using the **Upgrade Ia** tracking to the front of the TORCH detectors.
 - ➔ Compute path length by a cubic spline interpolation between points on the tracks.
 - ➔ Assume we have input on the track t_0 from elsewhere (although this can be determined using the TORCH).

Detector performance

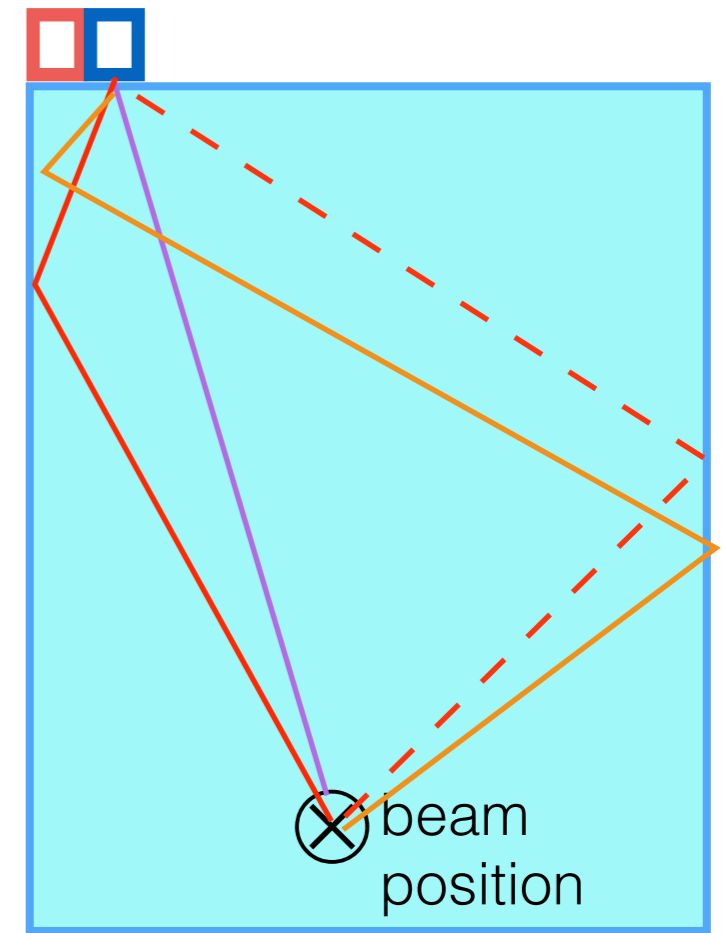
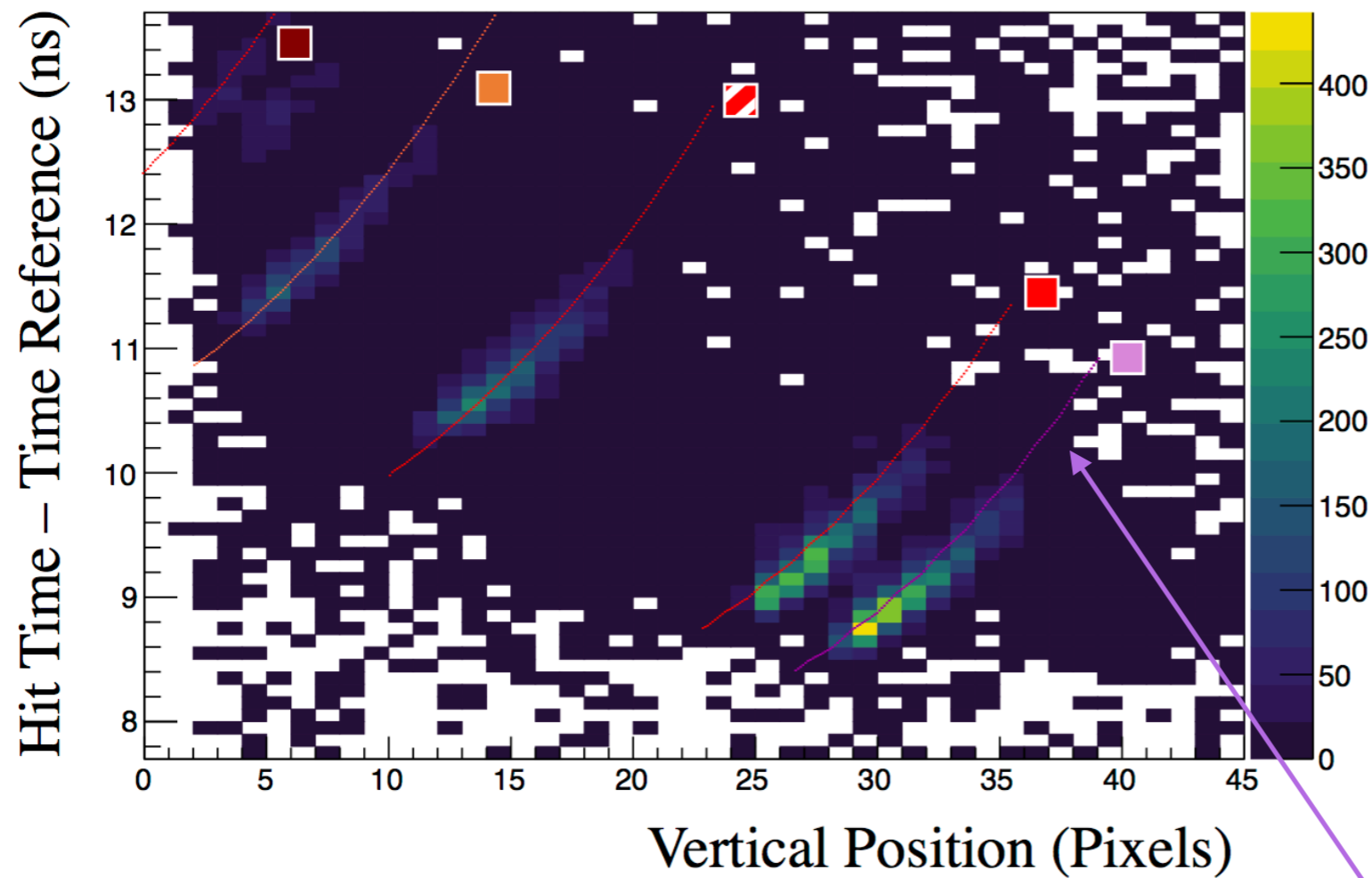
- Assume an 8-by-128 effective pixelisation with with 10ps TDC bins.
- Photon arrival time is smeared by an additional 55ps resolution to account for the MCP response and the effect of the readout electronics.
- Apply known efficiency losses, *e.g.* due to QE.



Reminder: pattern in a beam test

- Each track produces a three dimensional image in space and time, e.g. from beam test results:

Time projection with beam in center at bottom of plate



Expected arrival time/position from simulation

PID algorithm

- Use a similar approach to the RICH detectors and compare hypotheses directly using a likelihood calculation.

$$\log \mathcal{L}_h = \sum_{\text{hits}} \log P(\vec{x}_{\text{hit}}, t_{\text{hit}}, h)$$

Determine PDF for given hypothesis by “ray-tracing”

Currently use a “local” per-track algorithm.

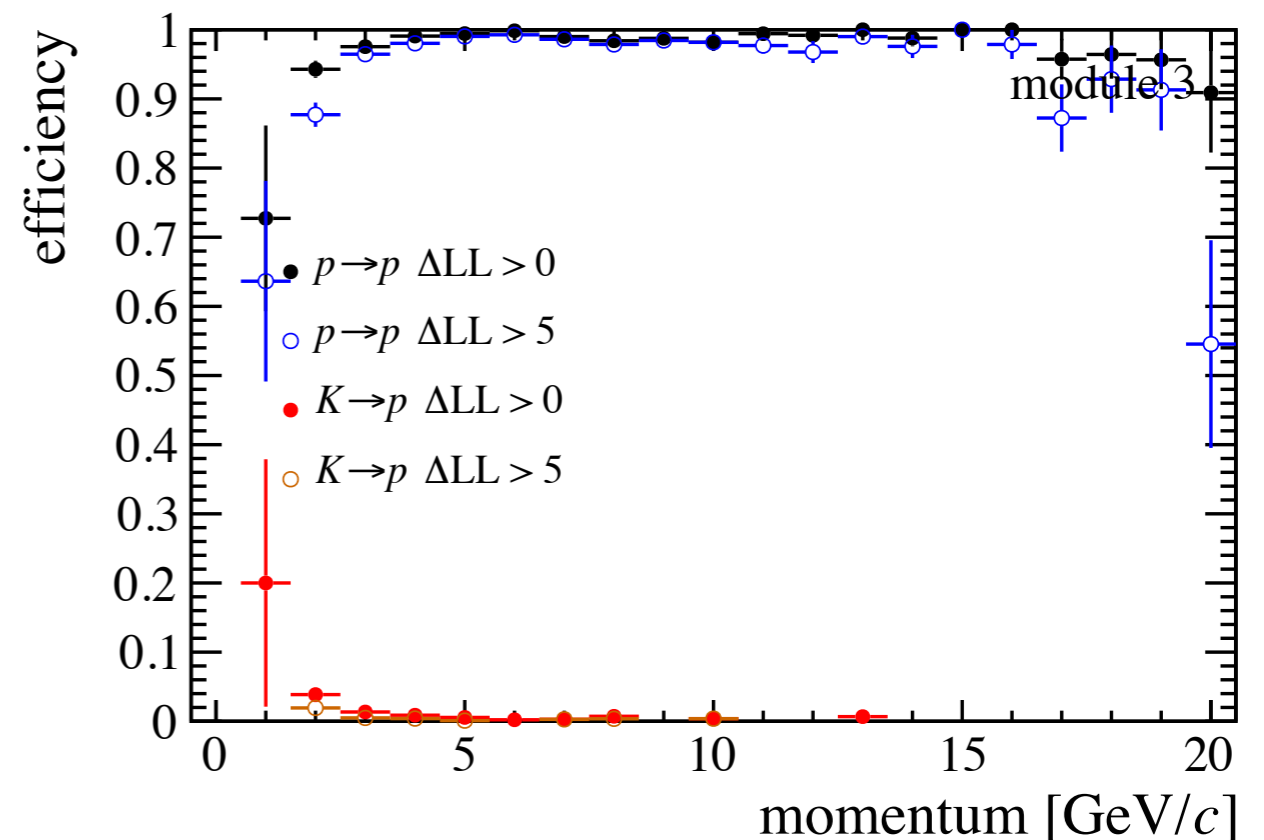
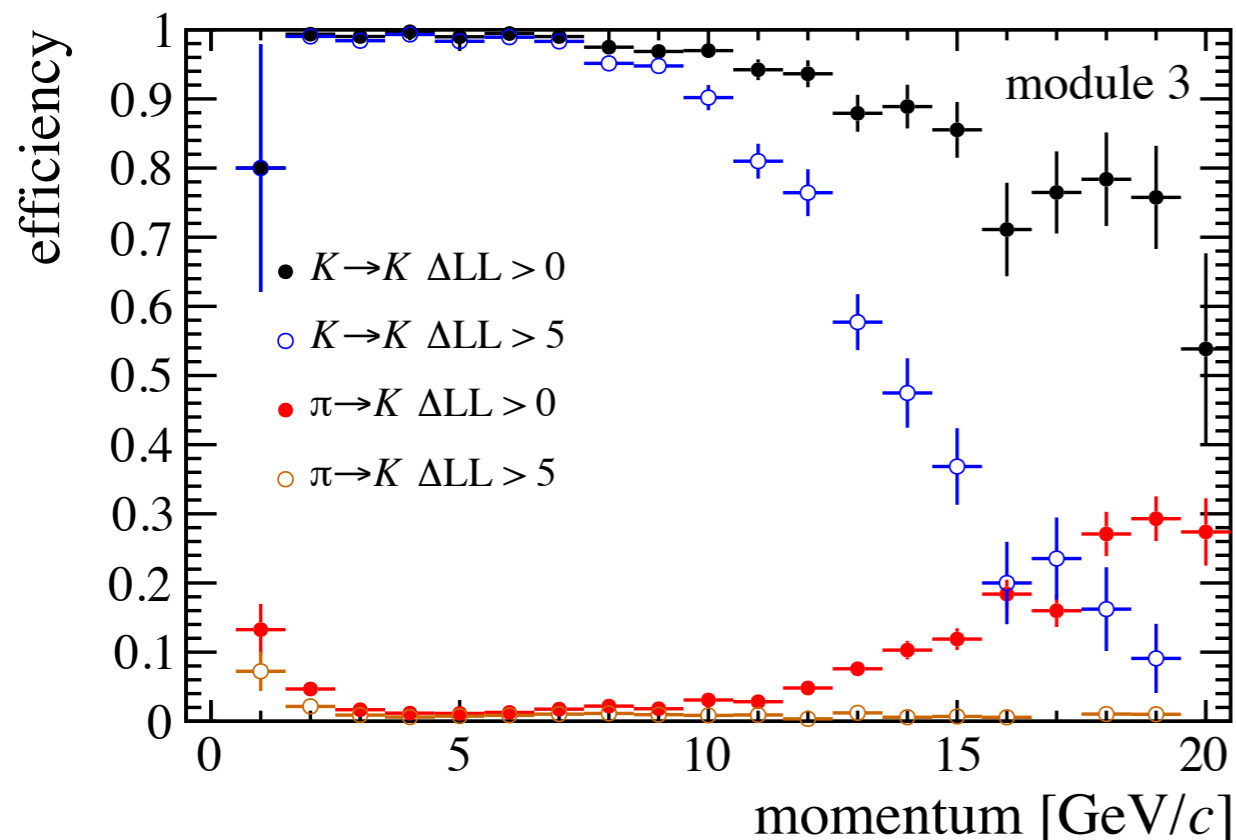
- Photon arrival time depends on the track t_0 and particle hypothesis:

The diagram shows the equation $t_d = t_0 + \frac{r_{\text{track}}}{\beta c} + \frac{r_\gamma}{v_g}$ with arrows pointing from descriptive text to the variables in the equation:

- t_d : detected time
- t_0 : production time (assumed known)
- r_{track} : track path length to TORCH
- βc : momentum and mass hypothesis
- r_γ : photon path length in the radiator
- v_g : group velocity

Upgrade Ib performance

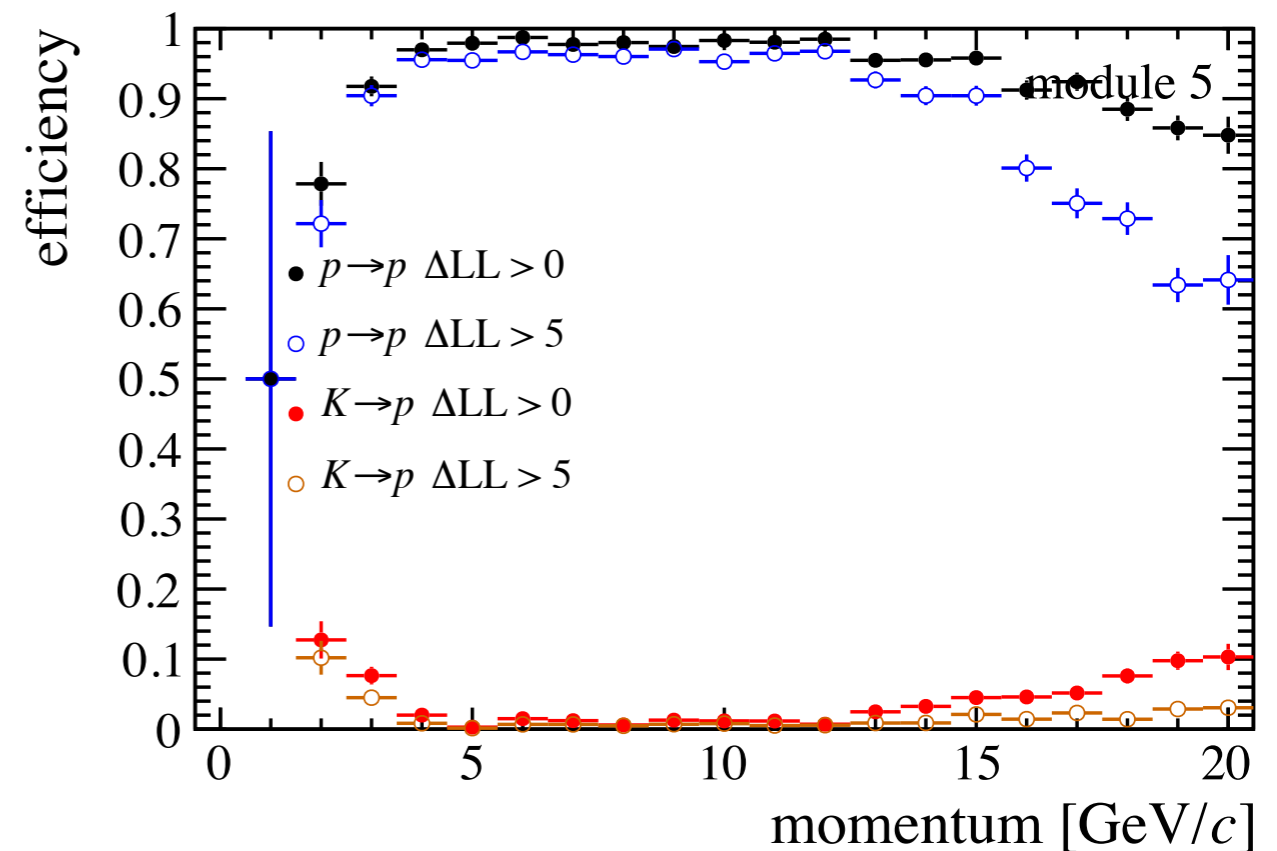
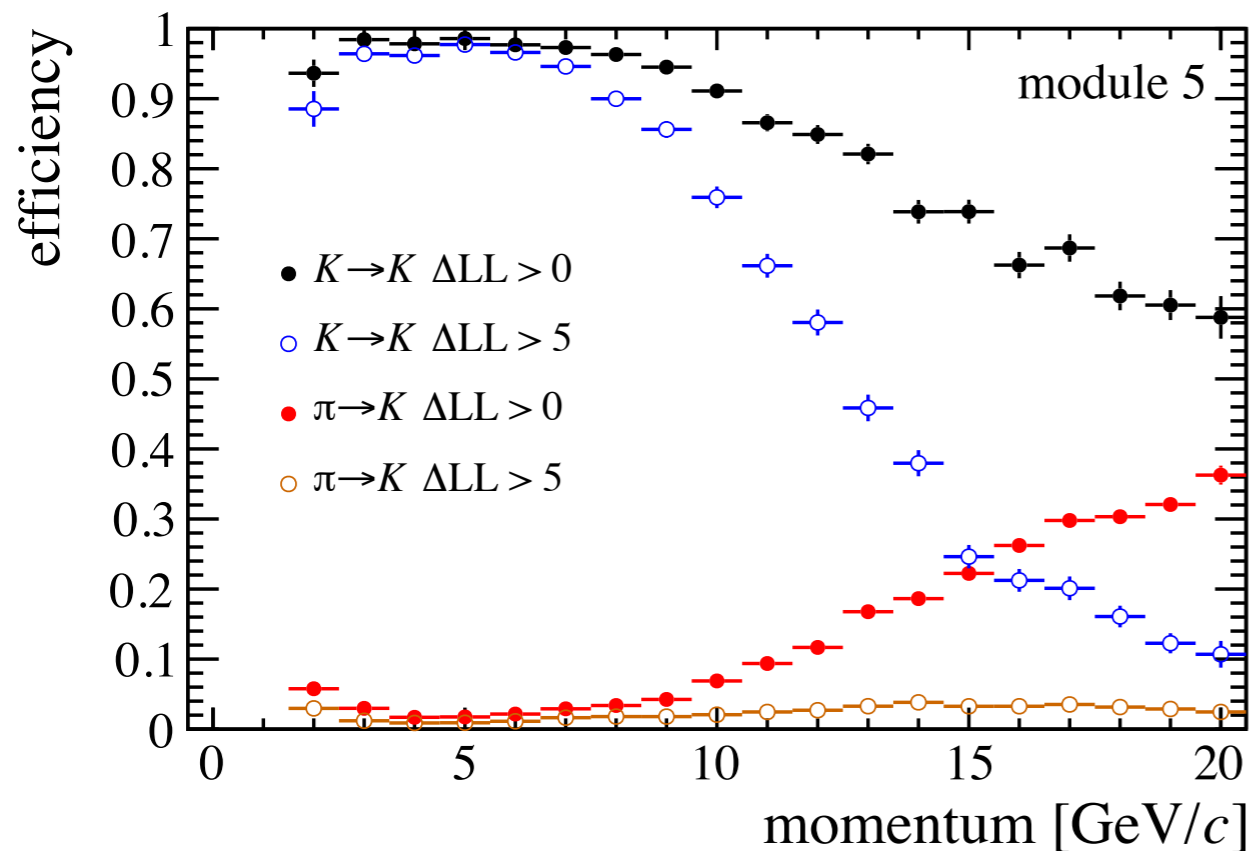
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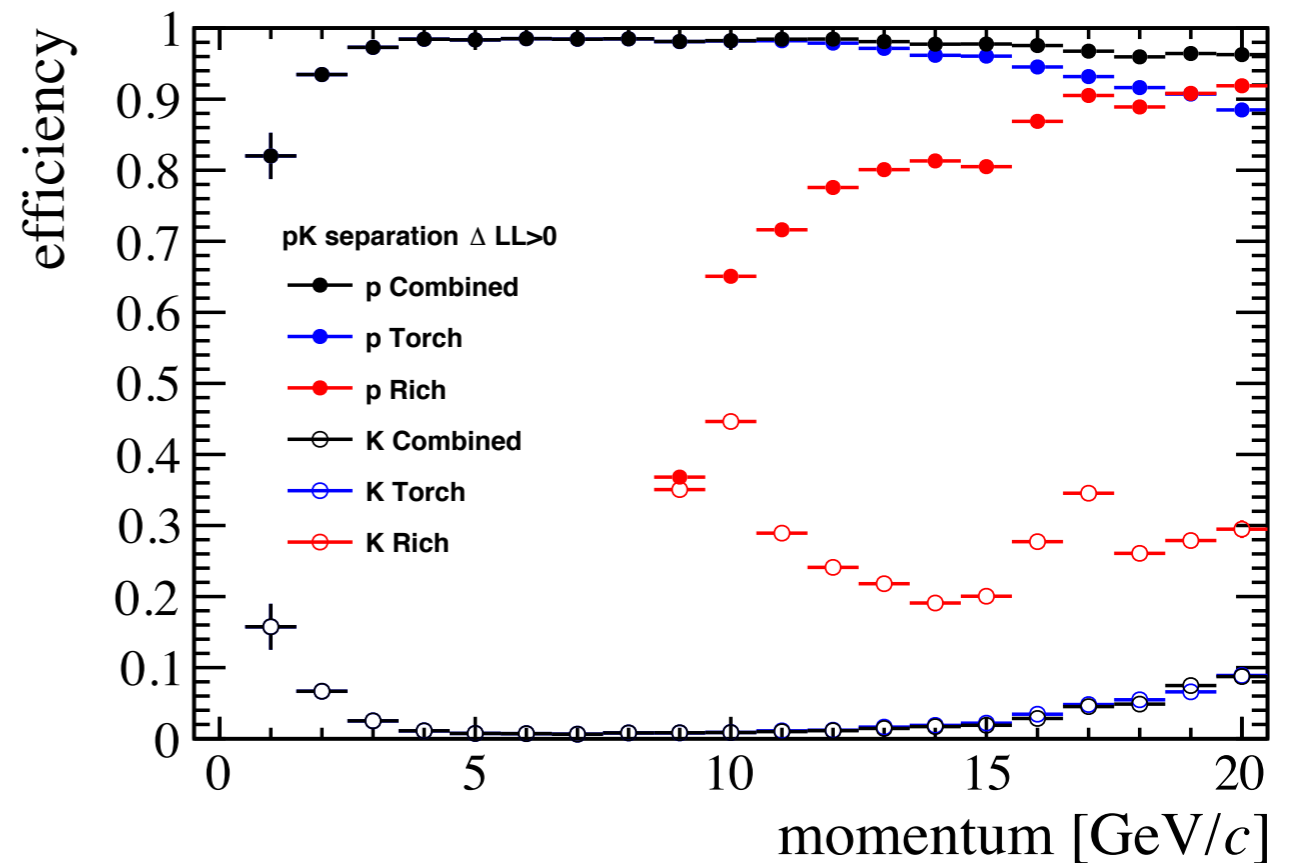
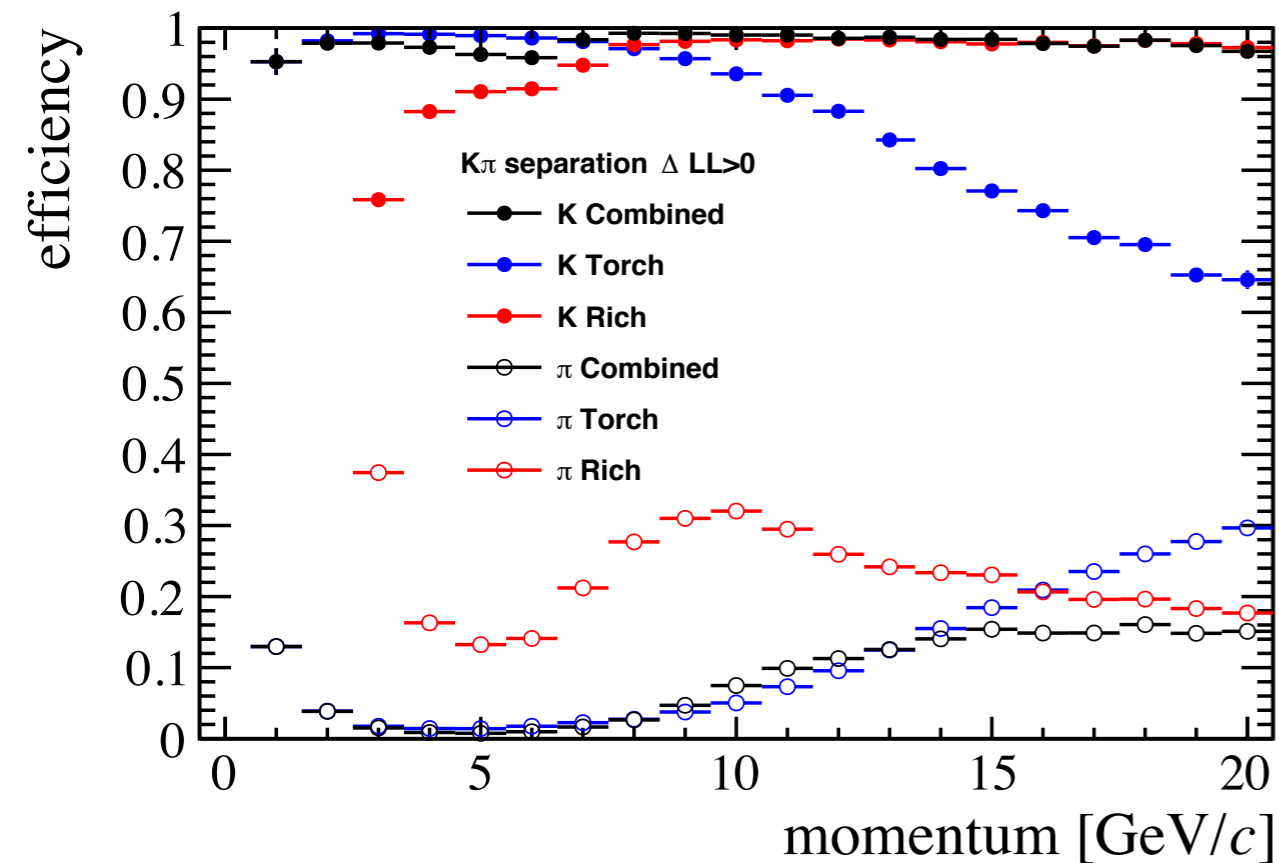
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Combined PID performance

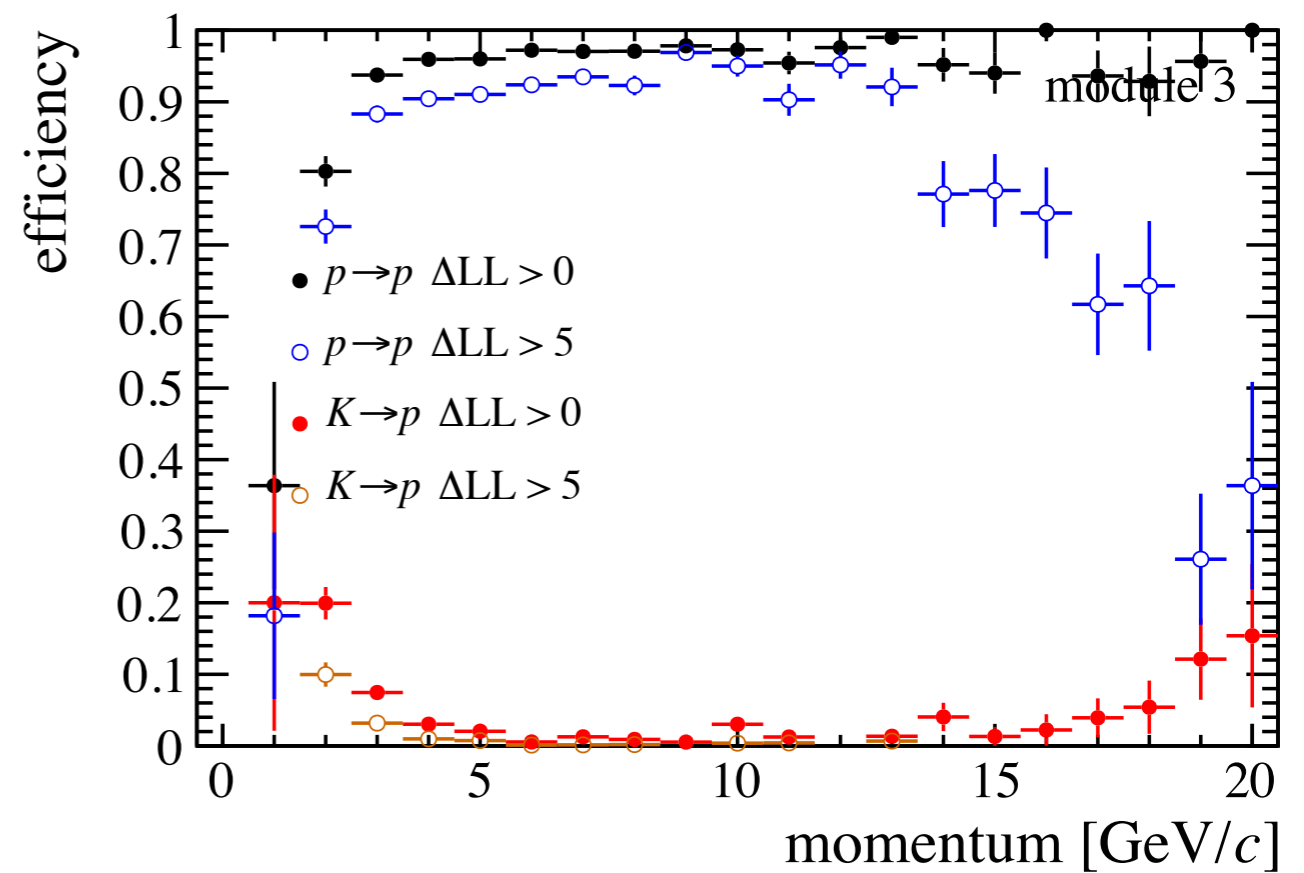
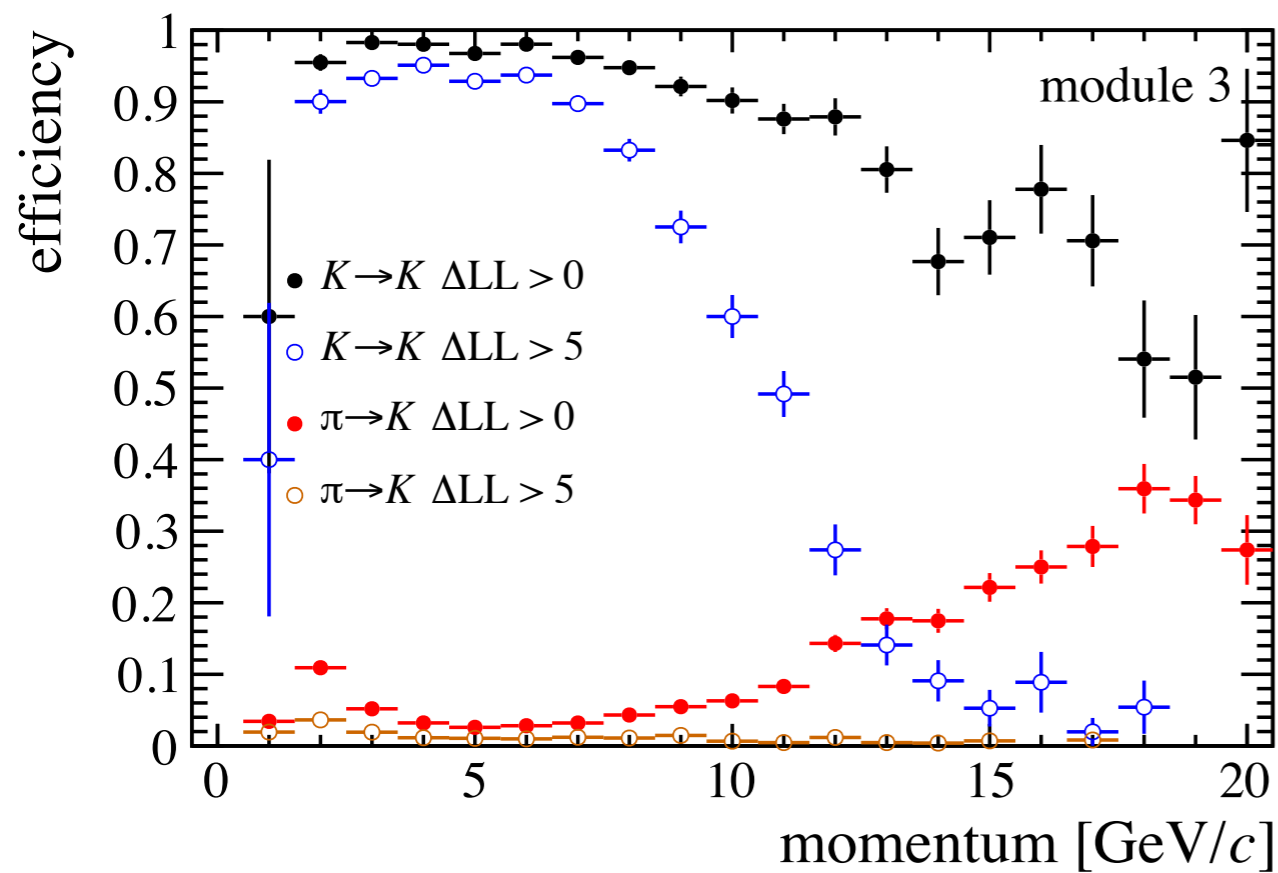
- Combining TORCH and RICH performance in Upgrade Ib scenario:



- TORCH performance dominates at low momentum ($p \approx 10$ GeV/c) but we gain from combining TORCH and RICH 2 information at intermediate momentum.

Upgrade II performance

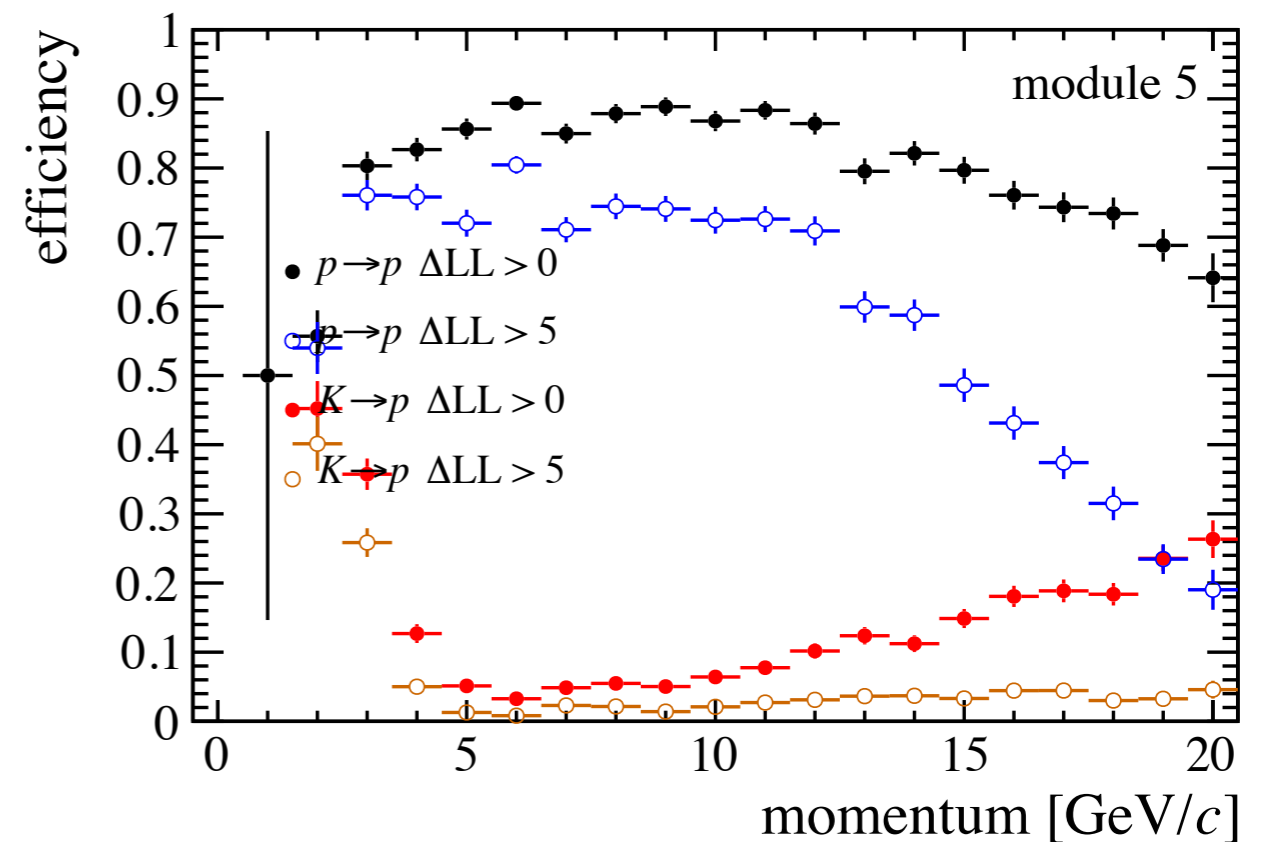
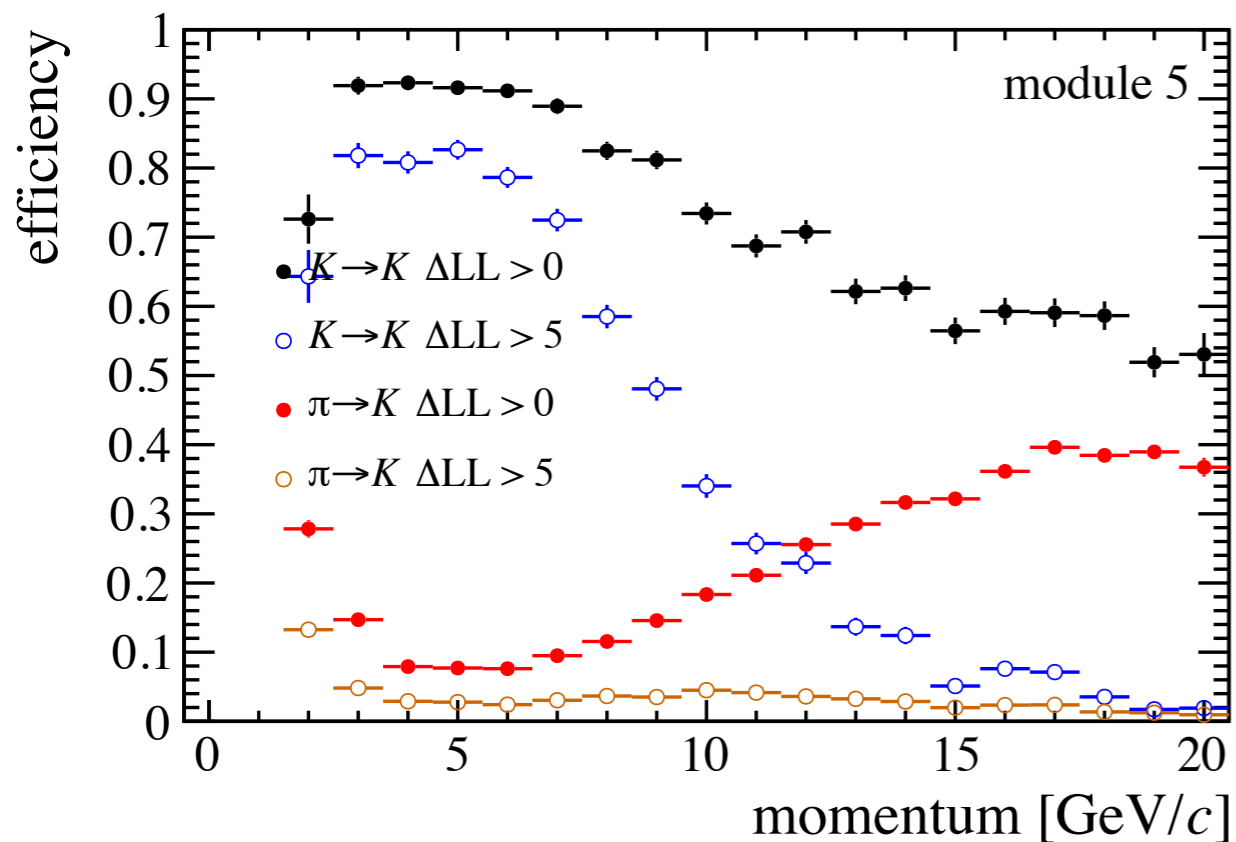
- TORCH PID performance for module 3 at $\mathcal{L} = 1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$:



- Performance is robust against higher detector occupancies.**
See only a small drop-off in performance in Upgrade II conditions.

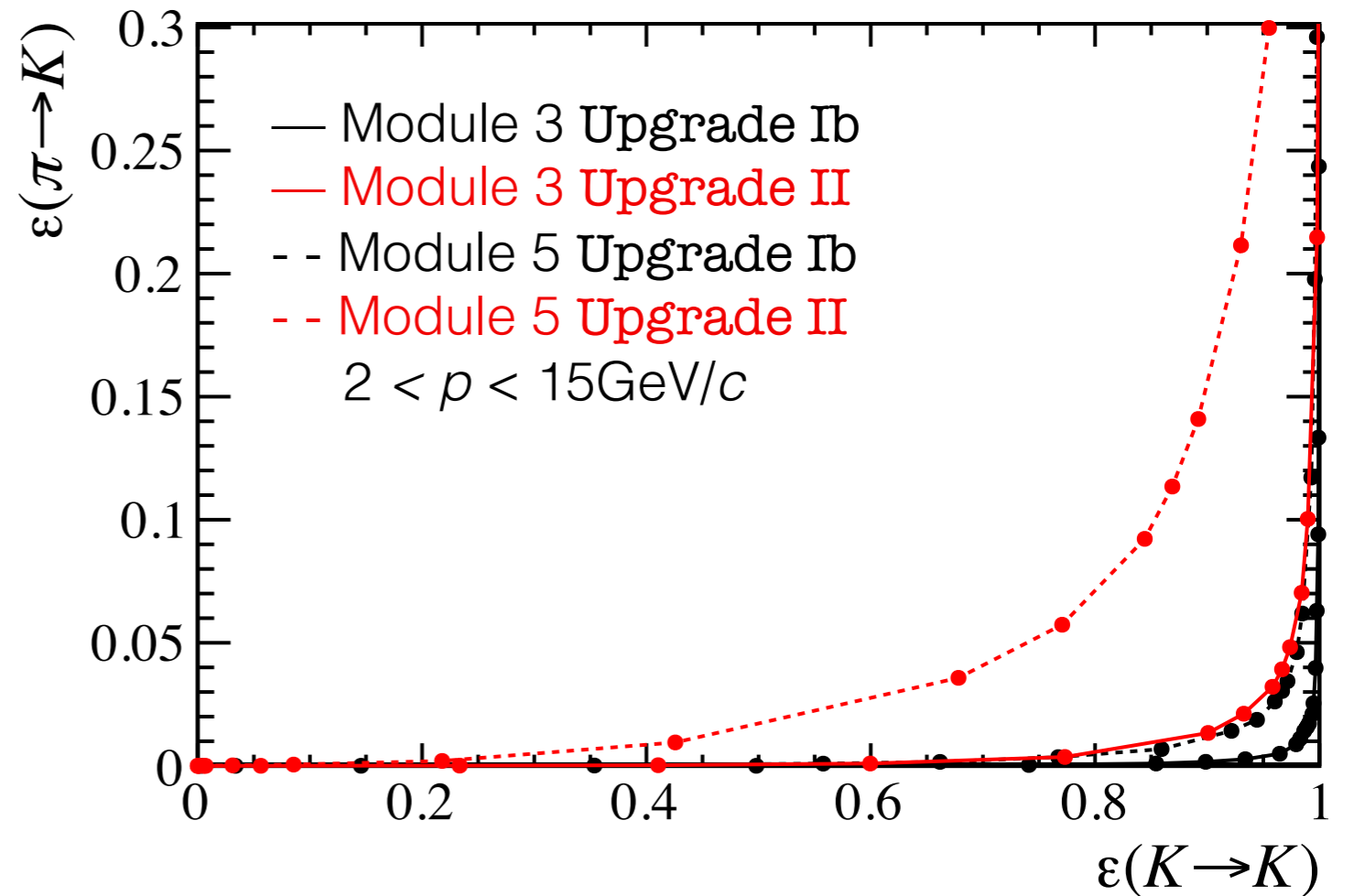
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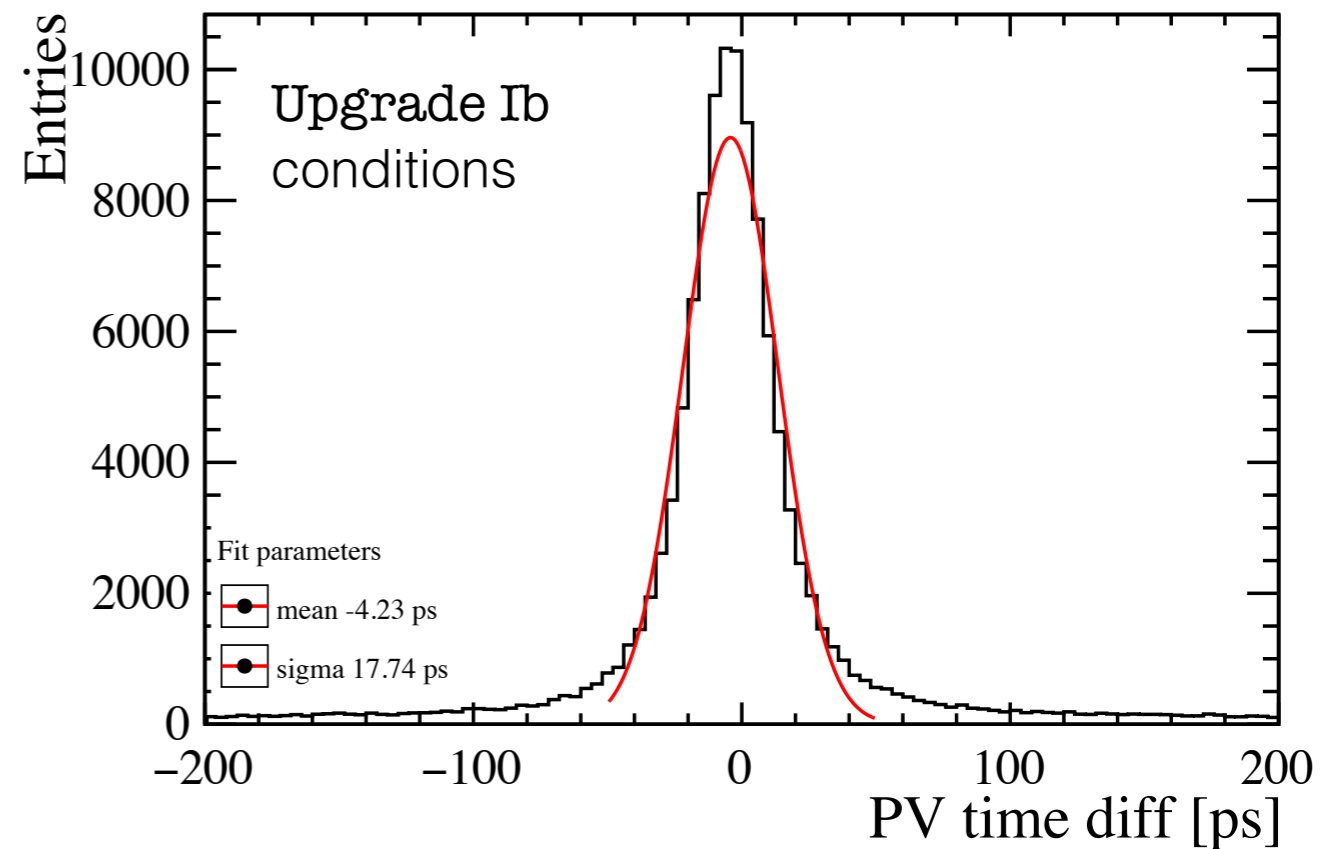
Performance comparison

- Comparison of performance between Upgrade Ib and Upgrade II scenarios.
- We are able to modify the pixelisation in the central region of the detector to recover the performance in Upgrade II. The optics would remain unchanged.



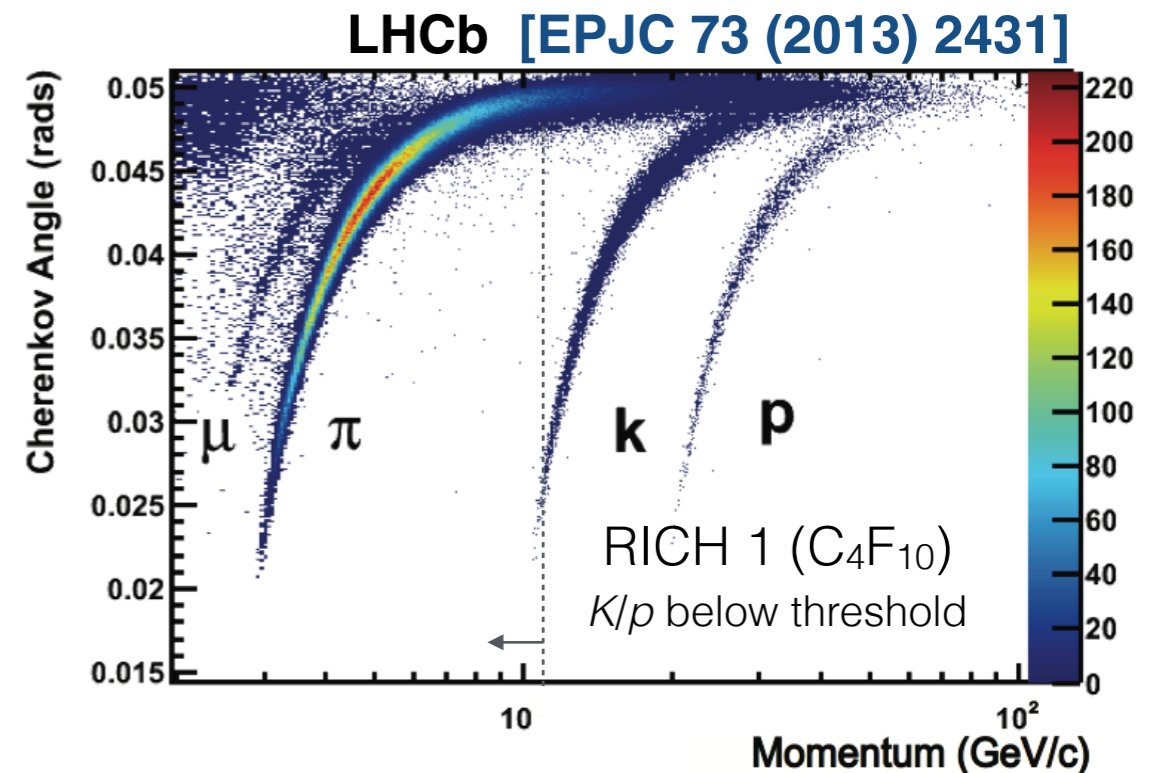
Primary vertex timing

- Per-track likelihood depends on the assumed particle hypothesis t_0 .
- For a given hypothesis, can maximise the likelihood to determine t_0 .
- Can combine individual track likelihoods to determine vertex level t_0 :
 - ➔ Try each particle hypothesis in turn and pick the best hypothesis for each track.
- Combined resolution is $\sim 15\text{ps}$.



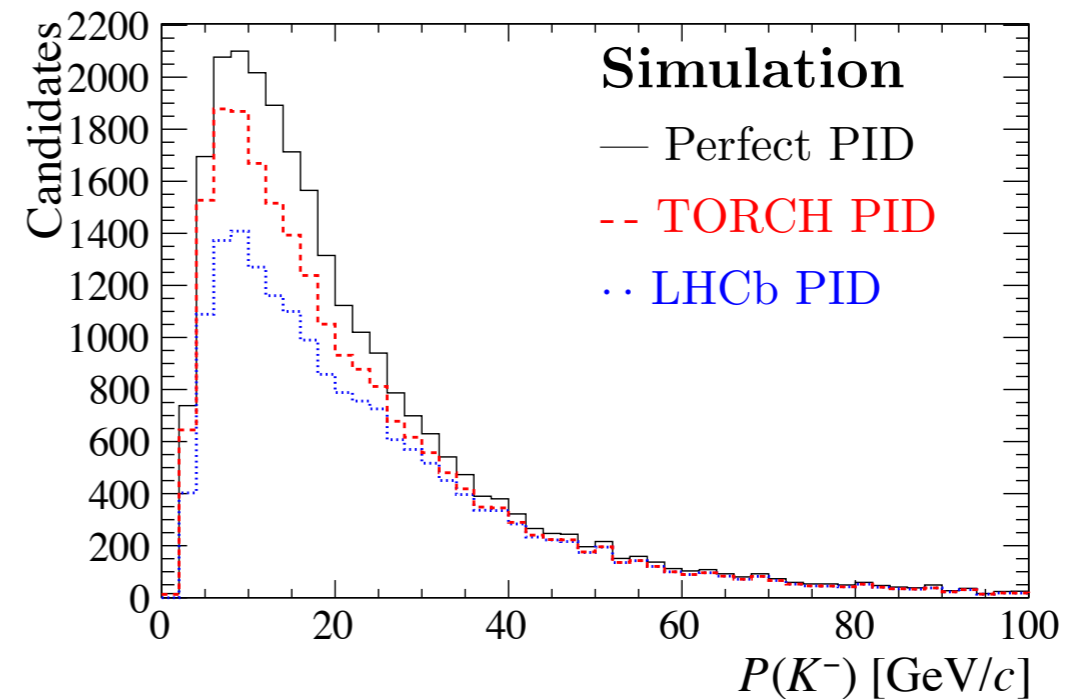
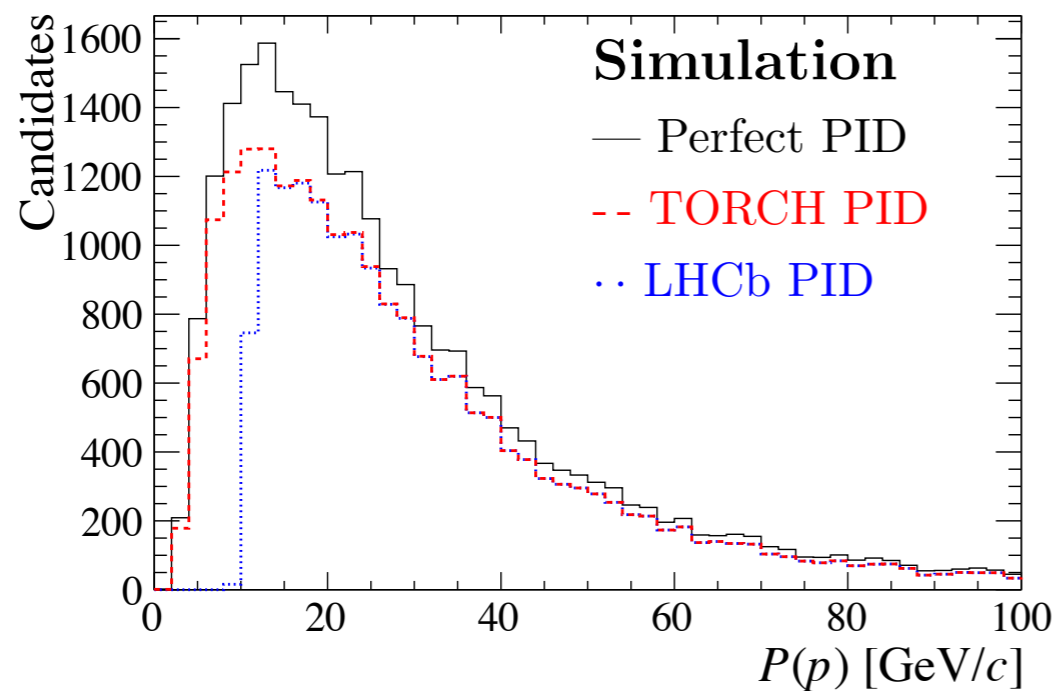
Physics studies

- Two benefits from TORCH:
 1. Get improved π - K separation at low momentum due to positive kaon identification.
 2. Gain p - K separation below 10 GeV/ c .
- Illustrate performance in the Upgrade Ib scenario using:
 1. Baryonic decays.
 2. Semileptonic decays.
 3. Flavour tagging.



$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi p K$$

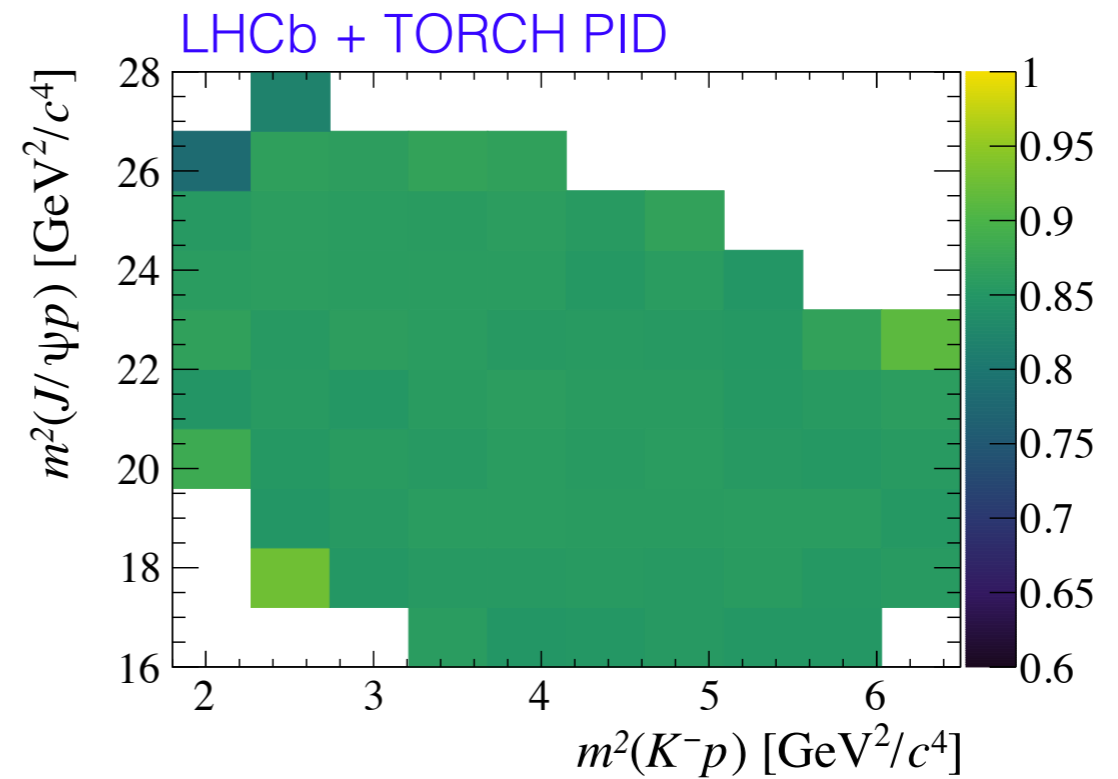
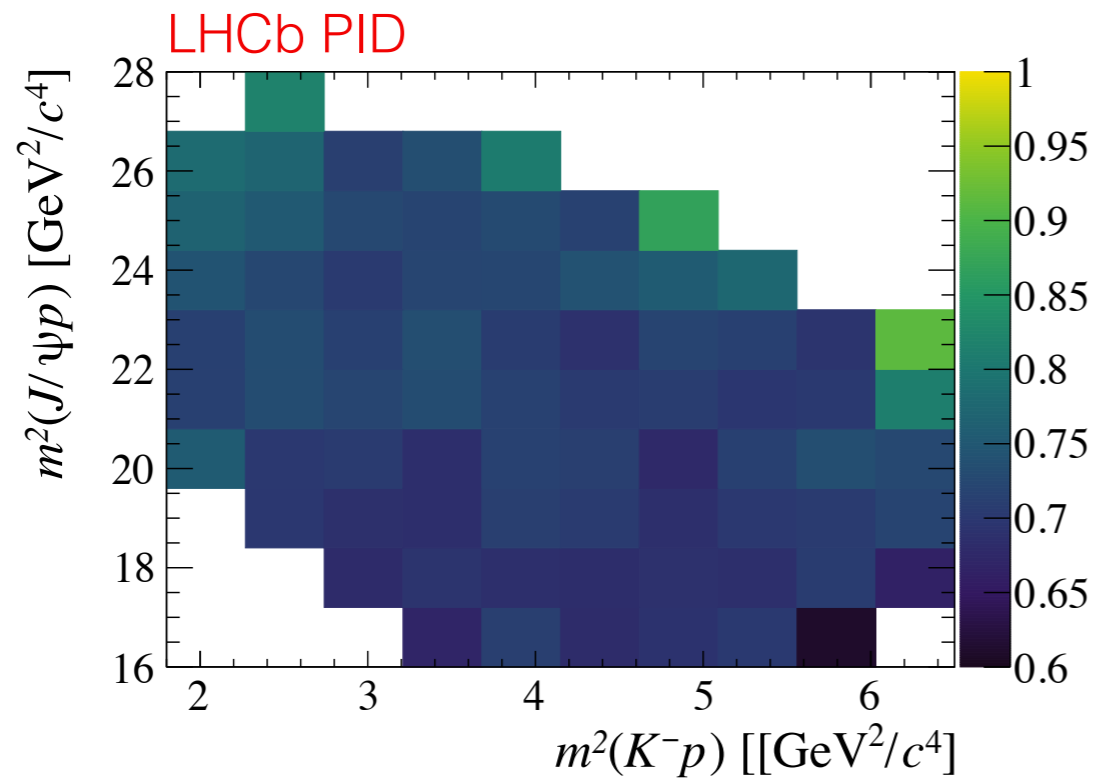
- Momentum distribution of stripped candidates in simulated $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi p K$ decays:



- Can increase efficiency by about 25% using RICH+TORCH PID rather than the PID requirements used in the current analysis.

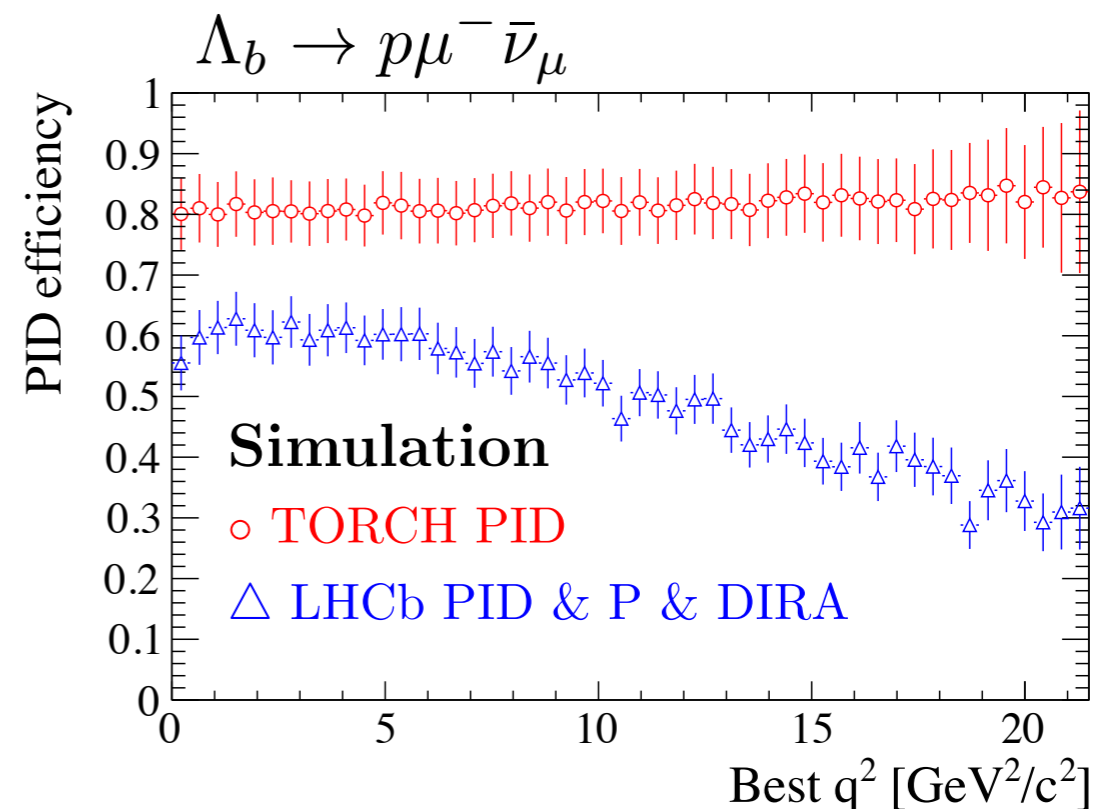
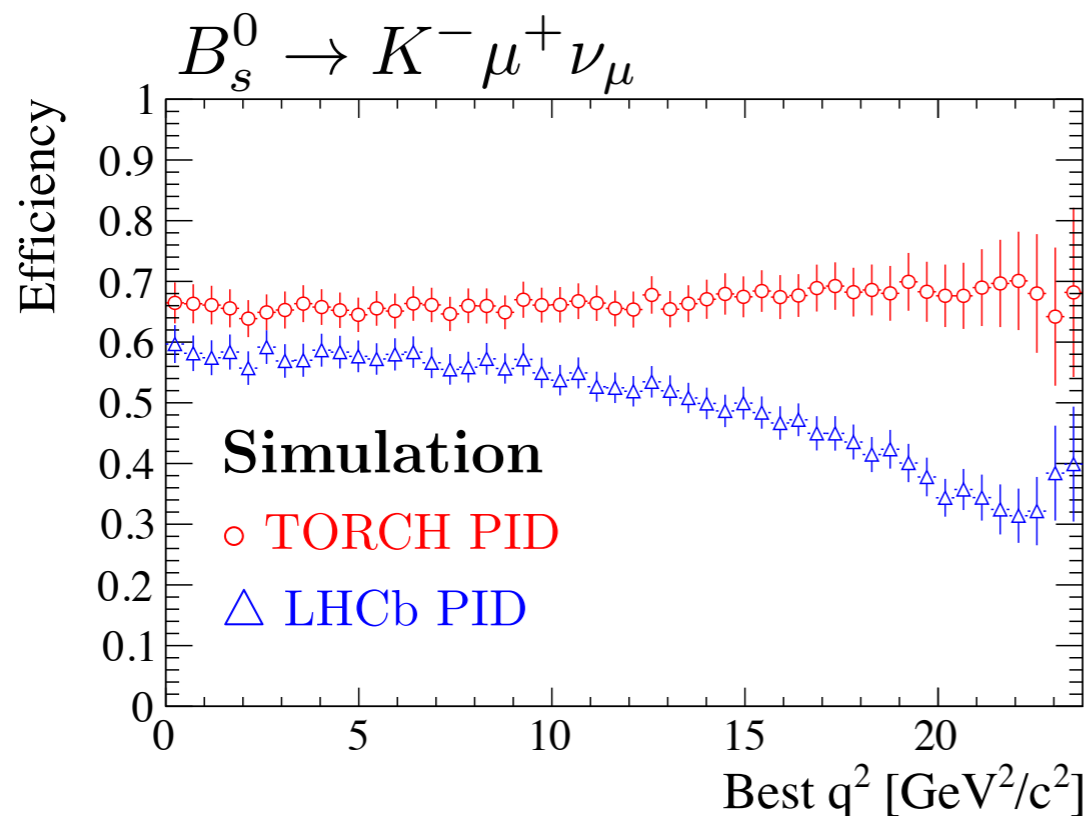
$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \rho K$$

- Gains at low-momentum improve the uniformity of Dalitz observables.



Semileptonic decays

- Also expect to see significant gains at high q^2 in semileptonic decays, where the energy of the hadronic system is small:



- This is the q^2 range where the most precise theoretical predictions are available (from Lattice QCD).

Flavour tagging

- Develop simple cut-based tagging algorithms to test performance of the TORCH:
 - ➔ Taggers use momentum requirements, RICH and TORCH PID.
- Effective tagging power:

$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$	Nominal	with TORCH	Perfect
SS Kaon	$1.20 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.52 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.61 \pm 0.05\%$
OS Kaon	$1.29 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.73 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.80 \pm 0.05\%$

$B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$	Nominal	with TORCH	Perfect
SS Kaon	$1.06 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.51 \pm 0.05\%$	$1.61 \pm 0.05\%$

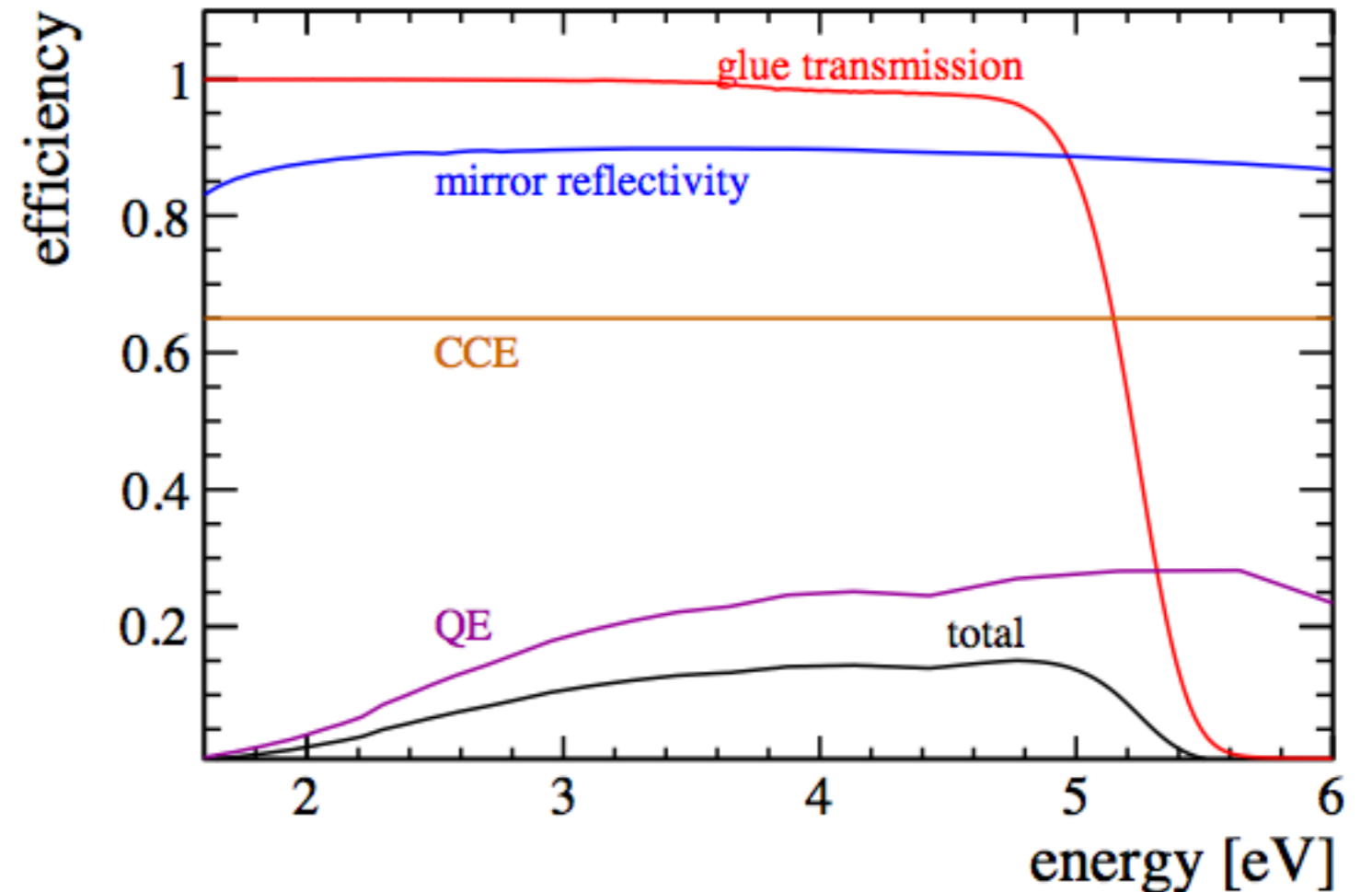
Summary

- The TORCH detector provides particle identification in the 2-20 GeV/ c momentum range.
- A simulation of the TORCH has been developed in the LHCb framework.
- Good performance is seen in **Upgrade Ib** and **Upgrade II** conditions.
- Work is ongoing to make the simulation more realistic and to understand what detector configuration is needed for **Upgrade II**.

Finally, we would welcome interest from anyone who would like to join the TORCH project.

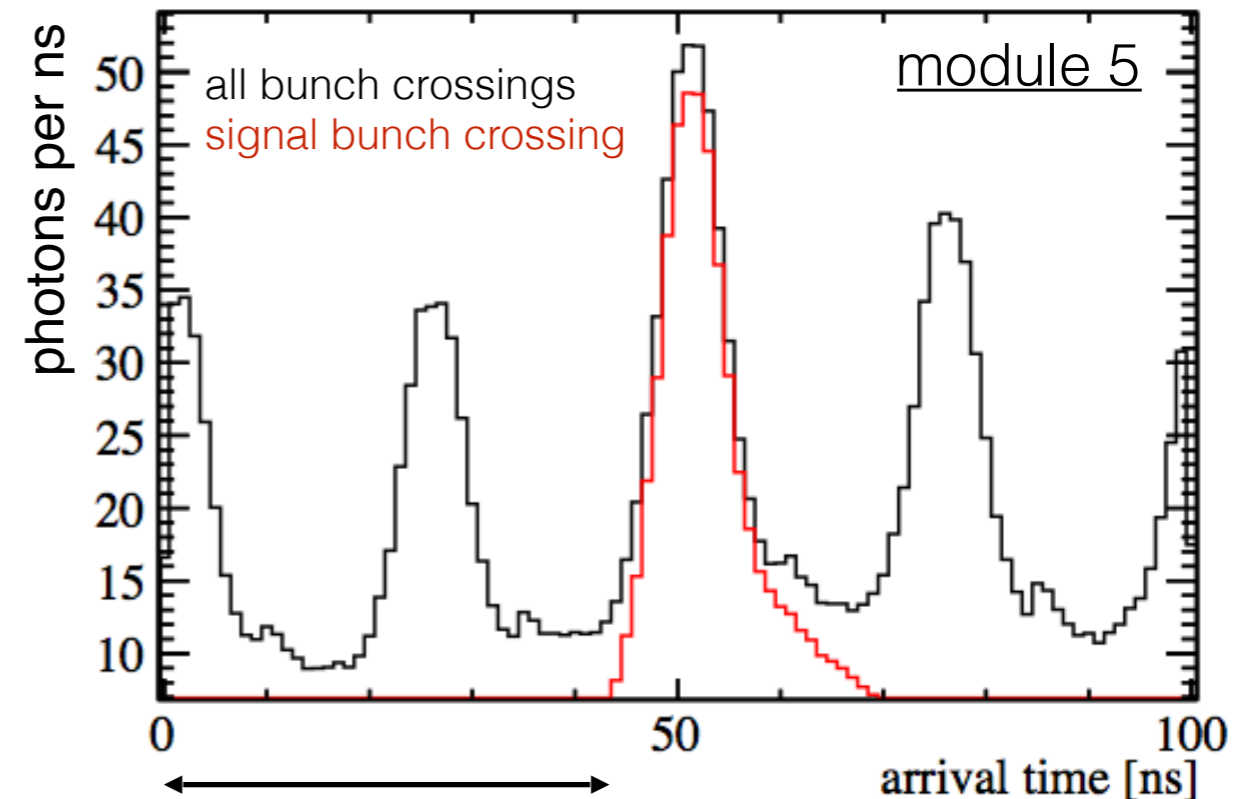
Detector efficiency

- Accept-reject photons based on measured transmission/reflection/QE of the detector.
- Additional losses in the simulation from packing of MCP-PMTs (53/60) and the geometry of the bar and focussing optics.



Detector occupancy

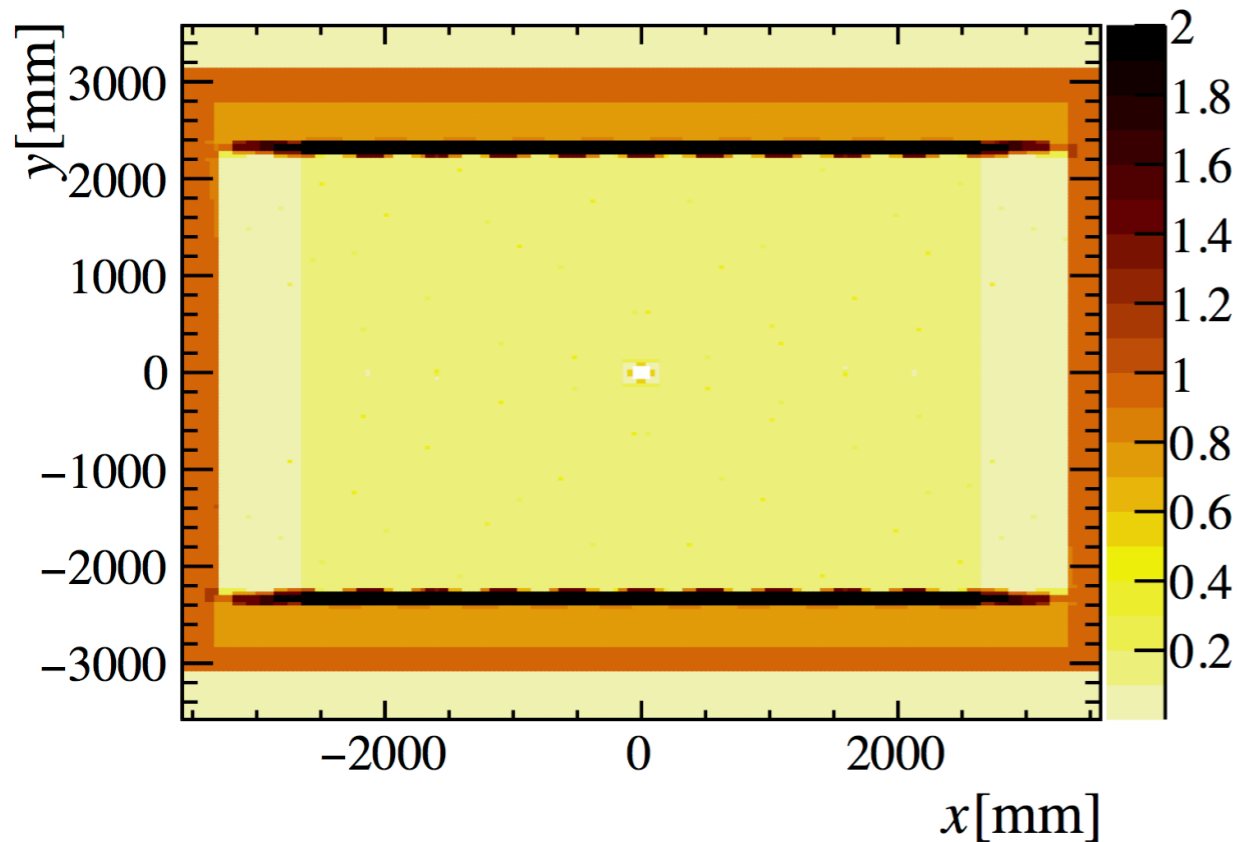
- In the Upgrade Ib data taking conditions the per-pixel occupancy is 5-20%, depending on the module (highest in the most central modules).



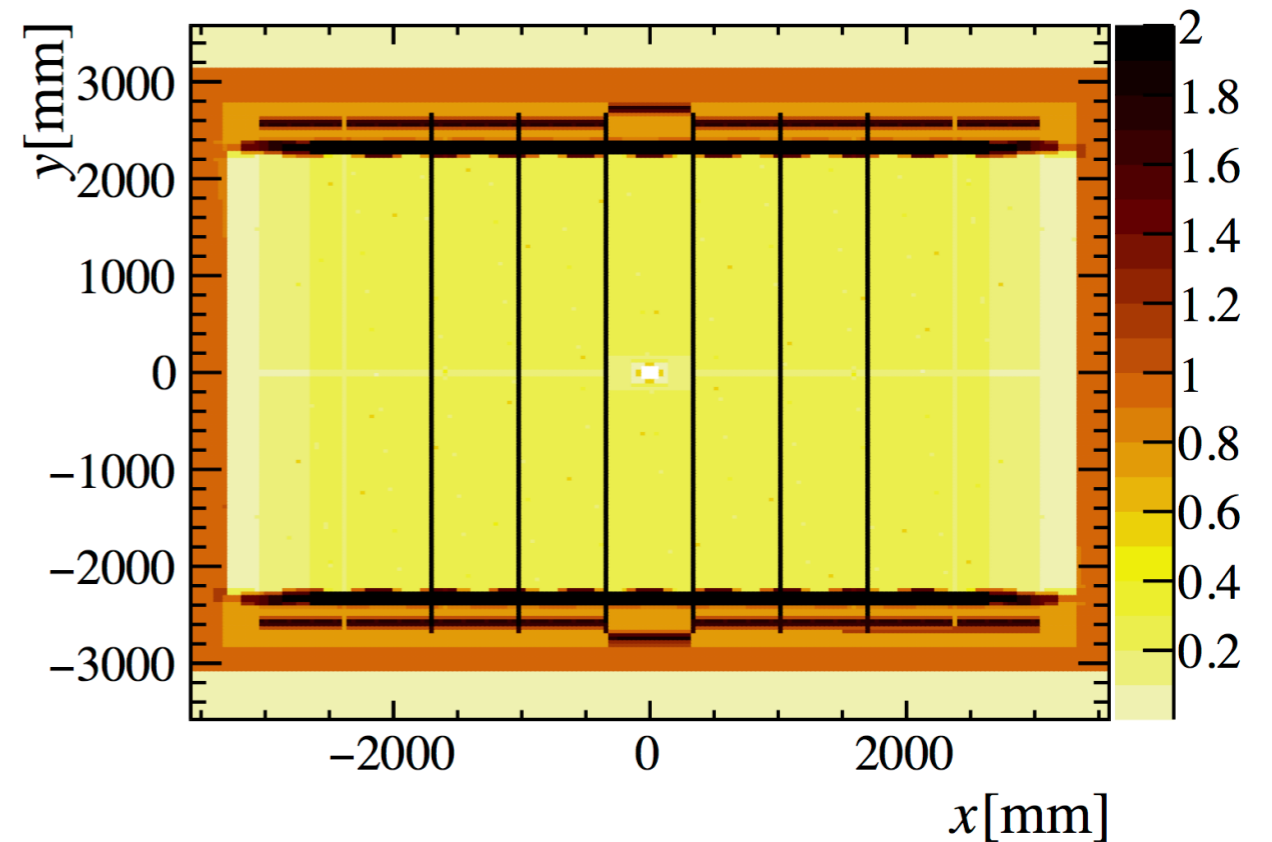
time of flight over 9.5m
and time of propagation
due to v_g in radiator

Material

- Material scan from Gauss:



without TORCH radiator

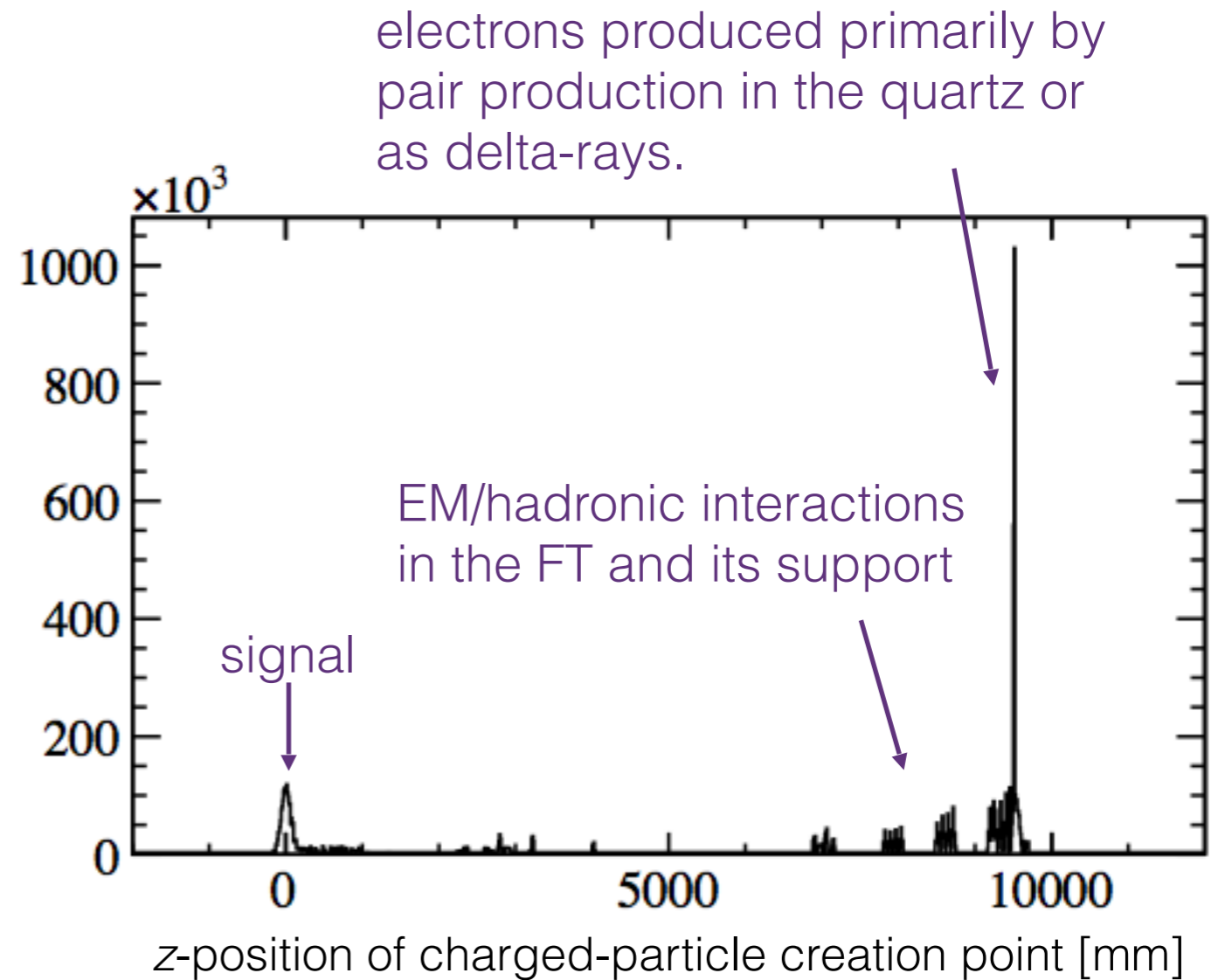


with TORCH radiator

- Increases the amount of material in the acceptance by $\sim 0.1 X_0$.
- Note, no support structure is currently included.

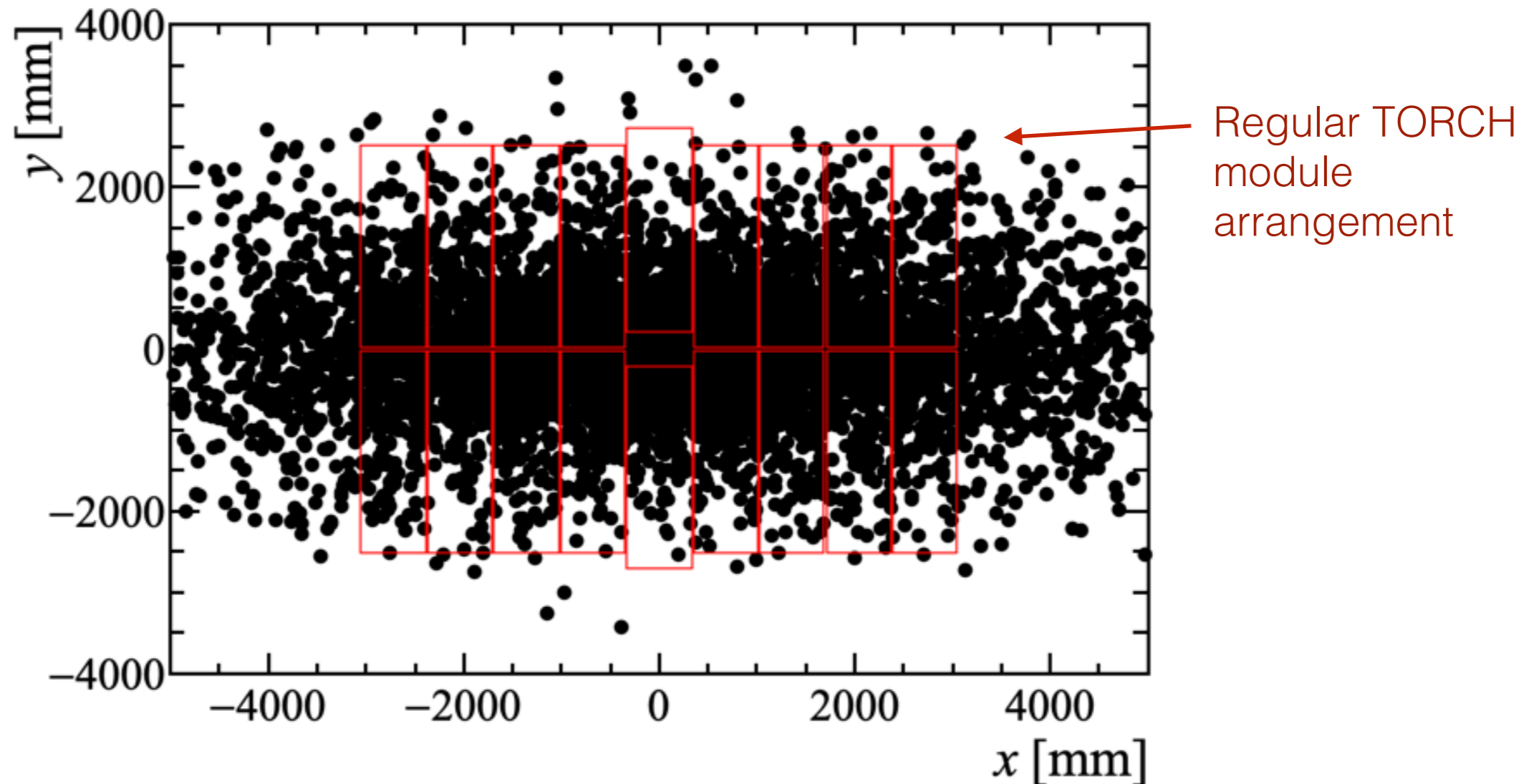
Background photons

- Large number of background photons produced by charge particles from material interactions in the detector.



Acceptance behind RICH 2

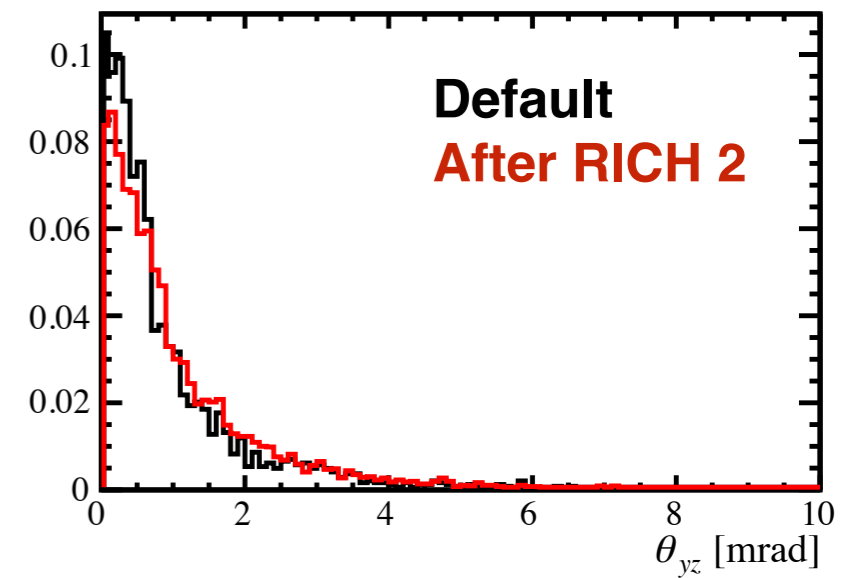
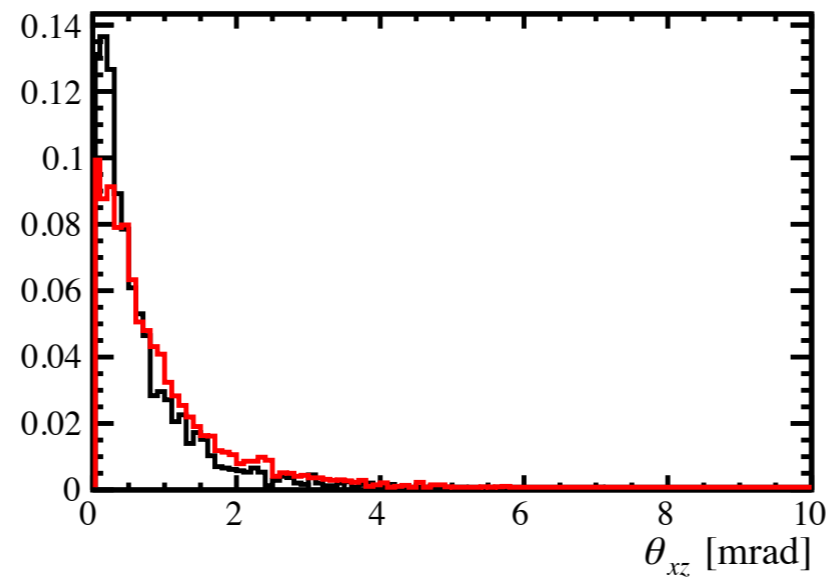
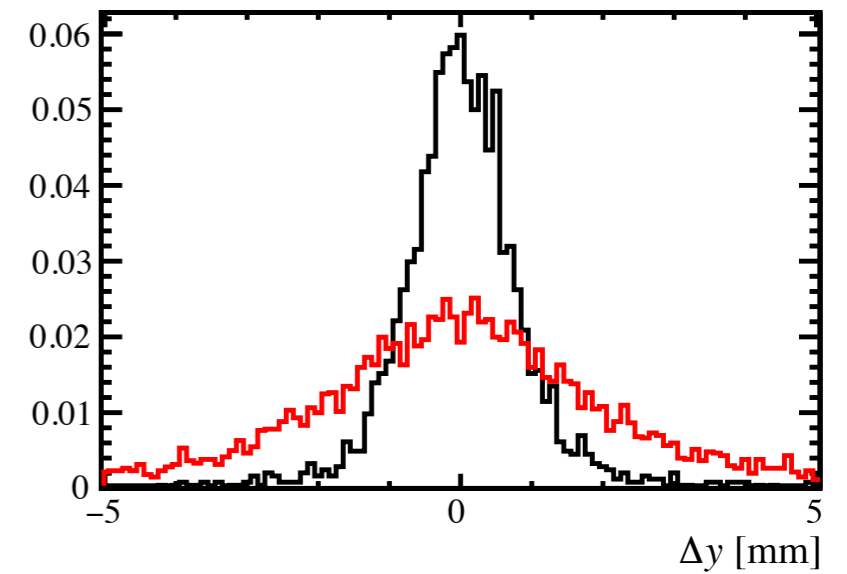
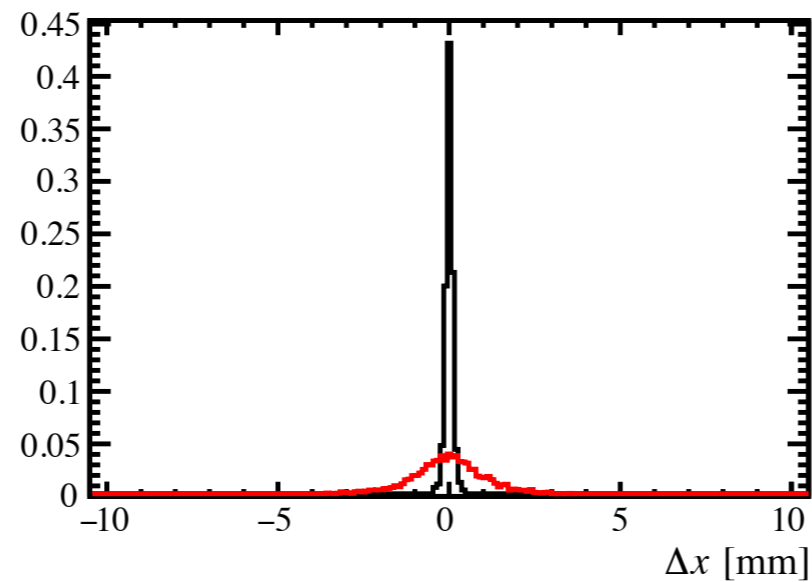
- Extrapolated track position behind RICH 2:



- At least two additional modules per half needed to cover acceptance. Increase module height by 25% to accommodate detector.

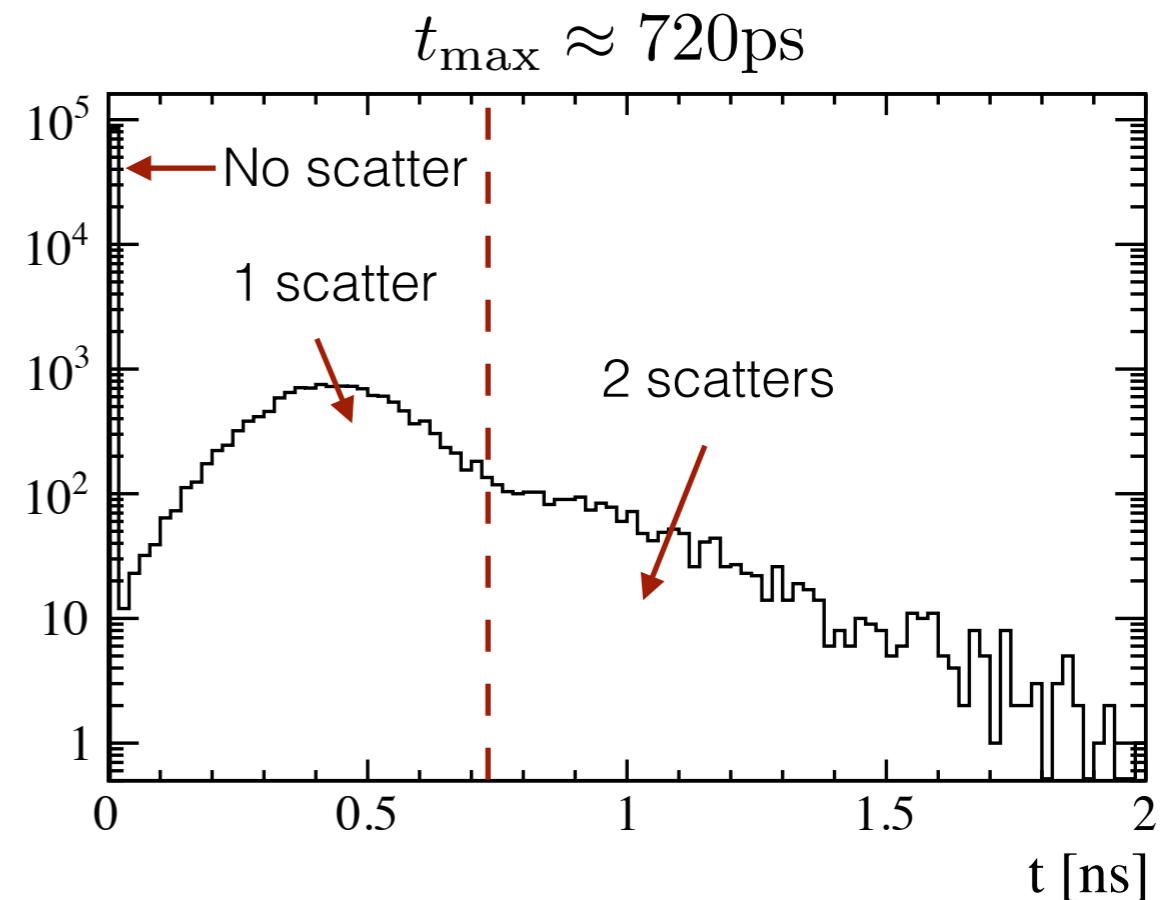
TORCH behind RICH 2

- Comparison of true and reconstructed track entry position/angle.



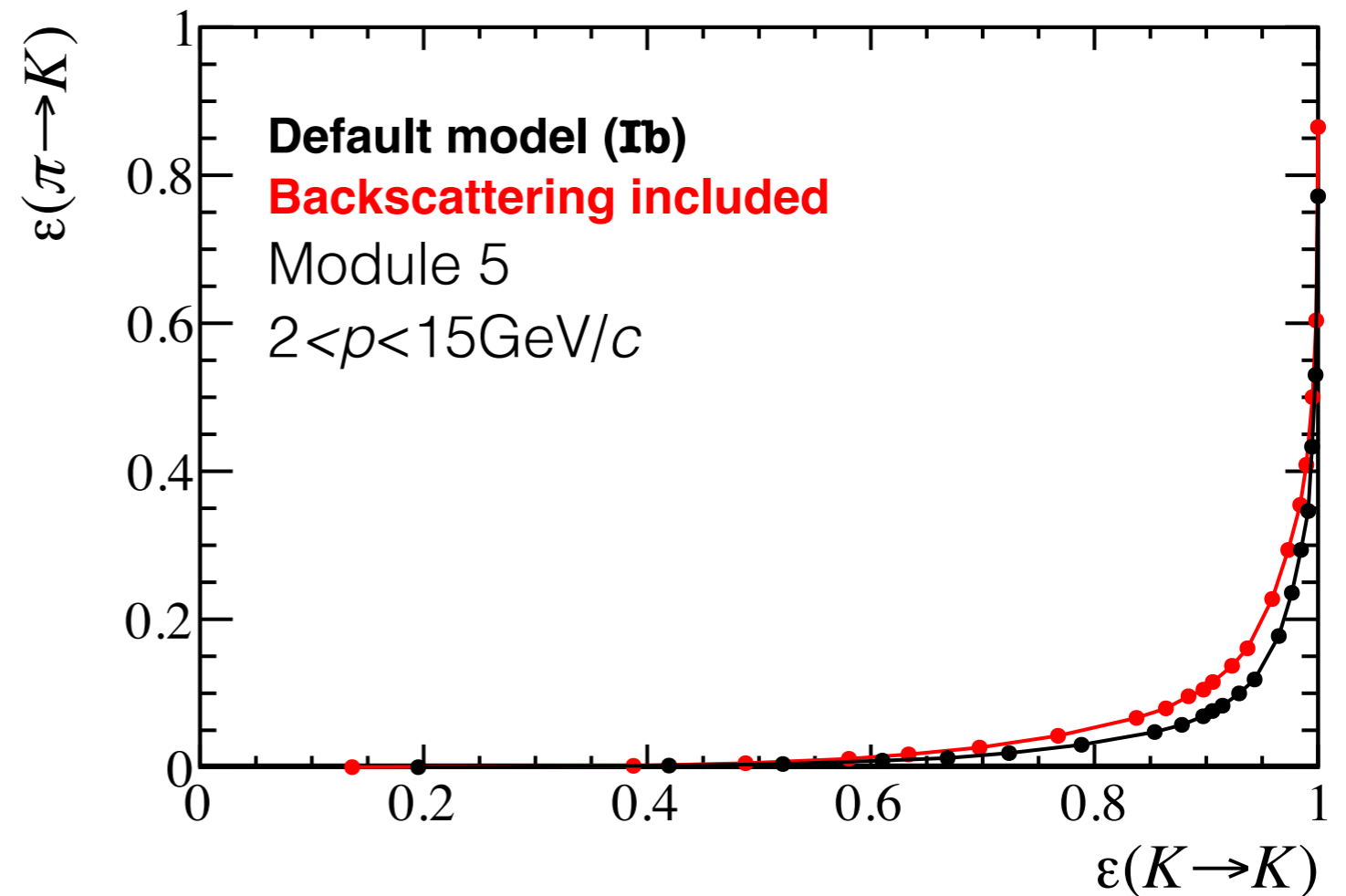
Backscattering

- Implemented an ad-hoc model of photoelectron backscattering:
 1. Assume an MCP gap of 1.5mm and voltage of 200V between the photocathode and MCP foil to determine t_{\max} .
 2. Smear resulting time distribution with Gaussian.
 3. Assume a backscatter probability of 15% from the foil.
- Can also consider producing a more complete simulation of this effect in **GEANT4**.



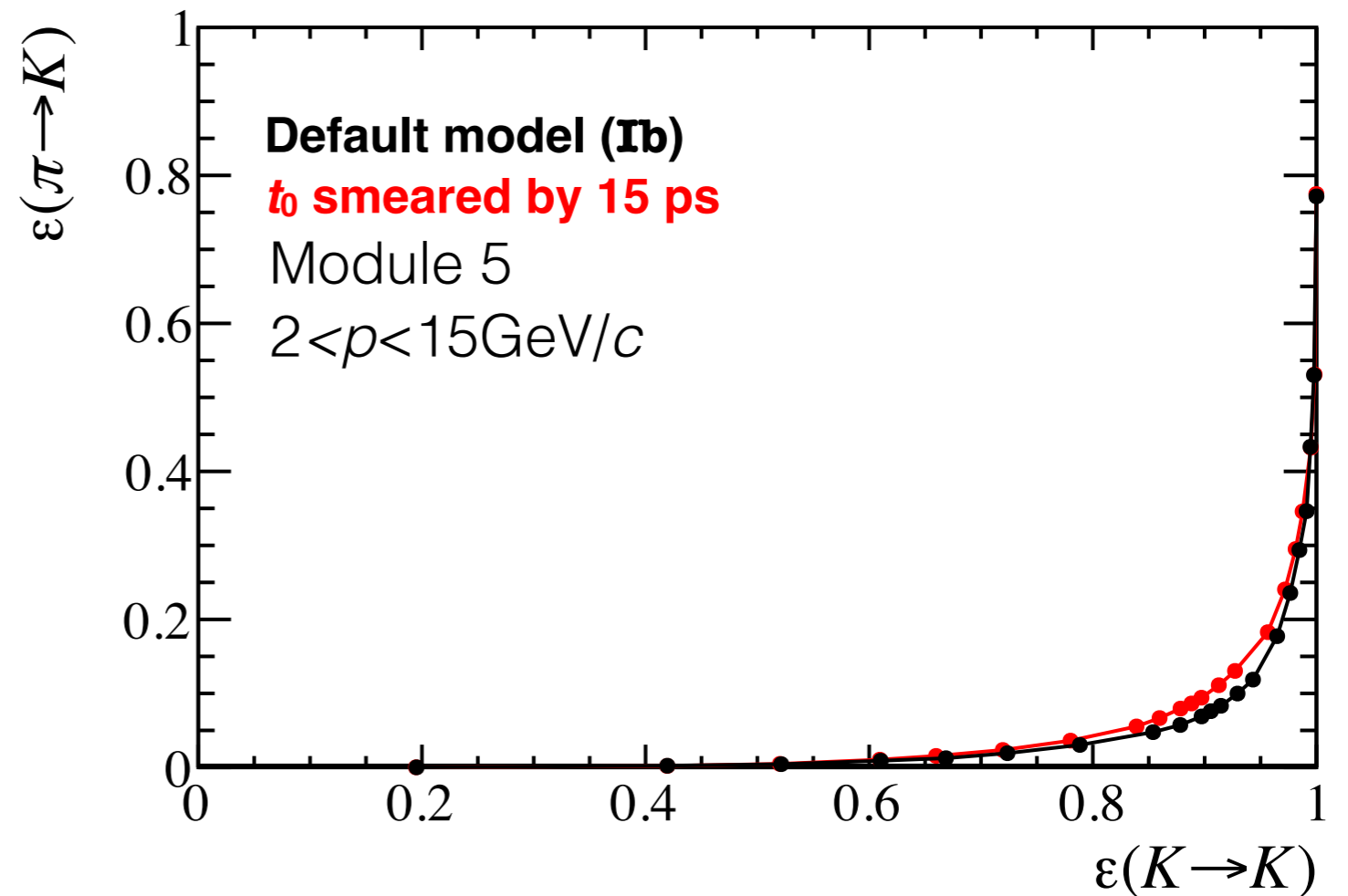
PID performance: backscattering

- Backscattering model is applied to simulated photons but ignored in the likelihood calculation.
- Results in a small degradation of the PID performance.



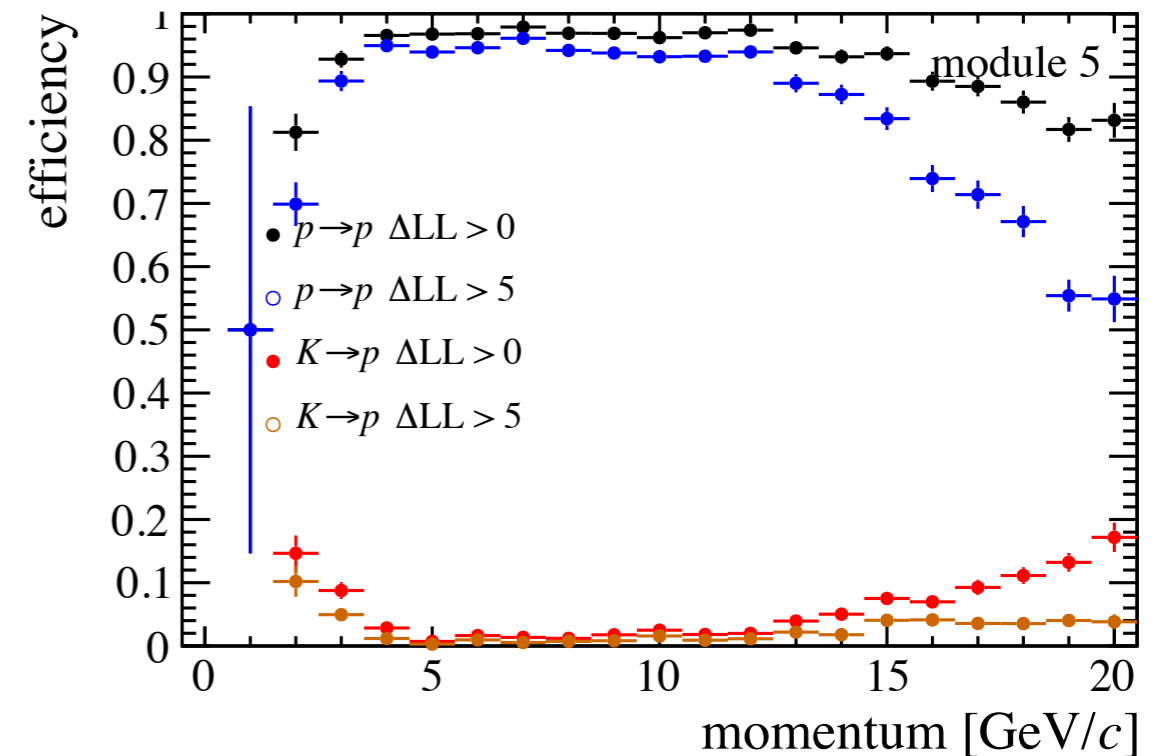
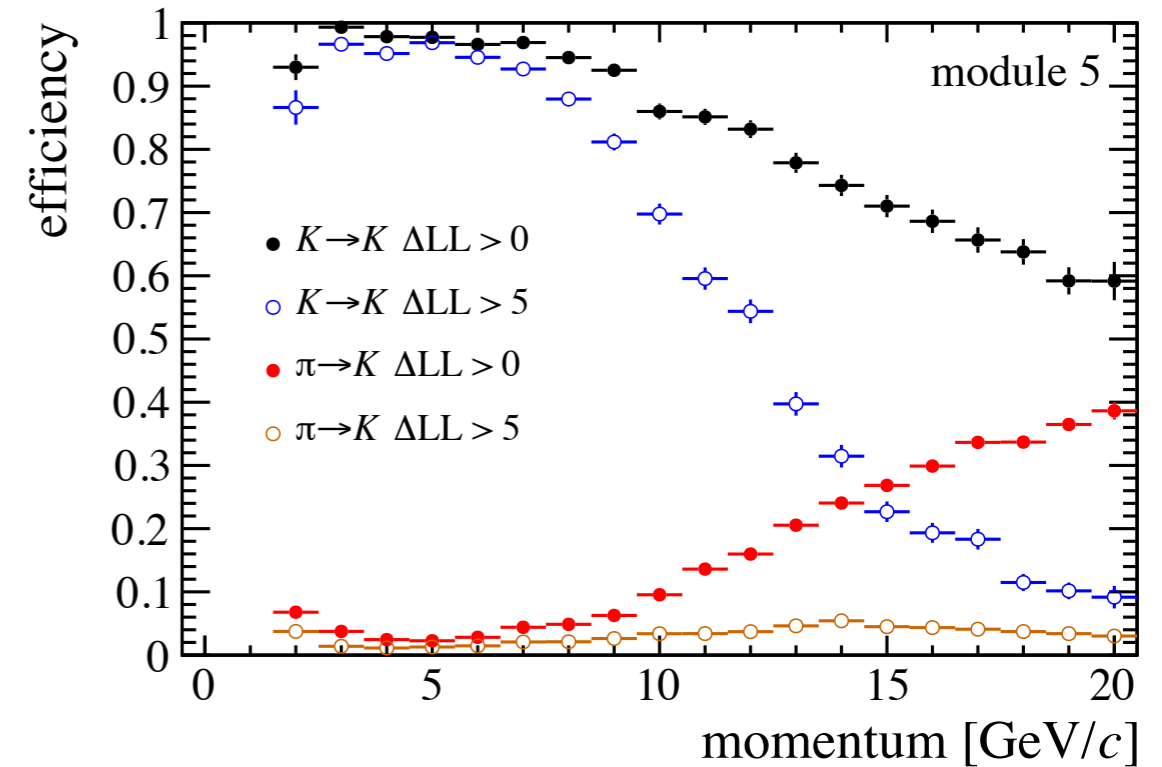
PID performance: t_0 smearing

- Re-evaluate performance smearing track t_0 by 15ps.



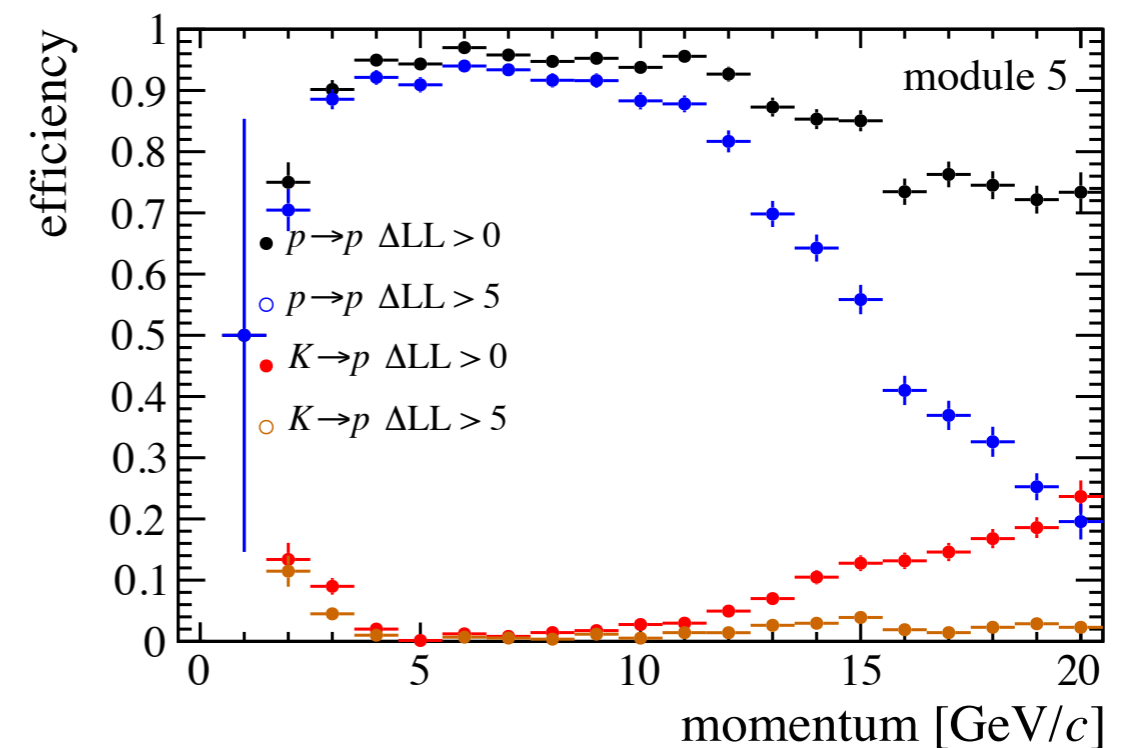
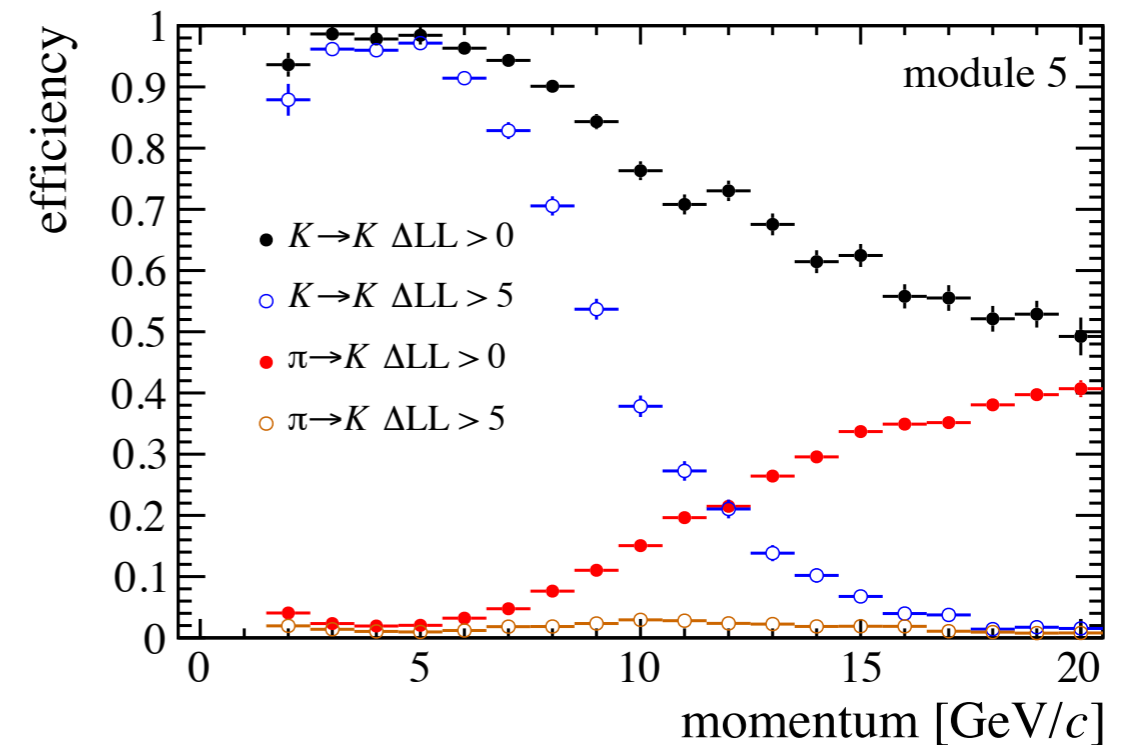
Dependence on photon yield

- Scaling the photon yield by $2/3$ reduces slightly the separation.
- Still have a good $\pi/K/p$ separation at low momentum.




Dependence on resolution

- Performance is also robust against changing from 55ps to 70ps smearing (of the hits and the pattern).



Front-end emulation

- For pixel hit creation:
 1. Evaluate charge sharing (creates 0, 1 or 2 pixel hits).
 2. Smear each hit (independently) by 55ps. 
- For deadtime:
 1. Consider hit pixels only if they are within desired 25ns window.
 2. Reject hits if the pixel was hit by another photon in range $[t - t_{\text{deadtime}}, t]$.
- For clustering follow similar approach to test beam:
 1. Loop through hits and create 1 pixel clusters.
 2. Merged clusters if hits are within 200ps.
 3. Repeat step (2.) until no more clusters can be merged.
 4. Take an (unweighted) average of the cluster position/time.

Should we also consider a correlated component?

Front-end emulation

- Significant degradation in performance with a 25ns deadtime in high occupancy modules.
- There are several reasons for degraded performance:
 1. Clustering merges photons together, biasing photon hit positions.
 2. Deadtime reduces per-photon signal efficiency (and can bias photon position).
 3. Effect of dead time is much worse at 25ns since hits from previous bunch-crossing can cause dead time in current bunch crossing.

