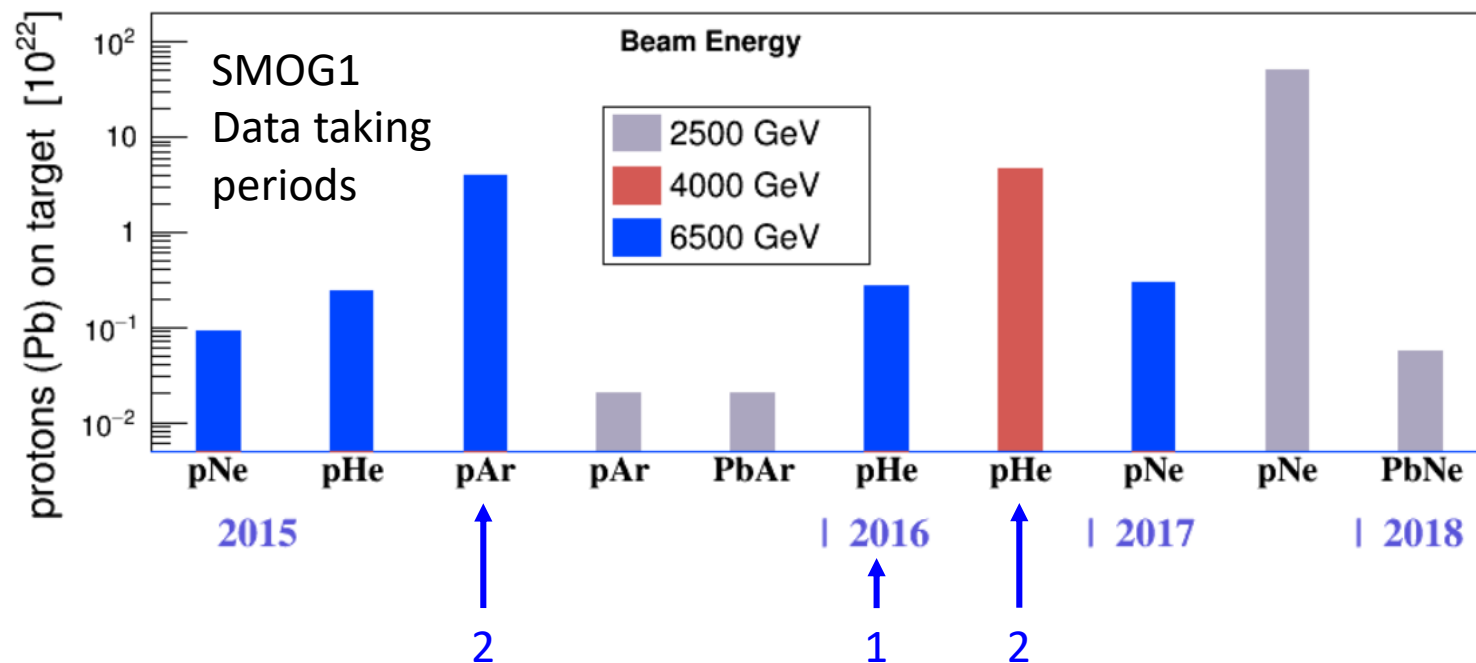


A luminometer for the FT at LHCb

1. Feedback from SMOG1
2. SMOG2
3. luminometer

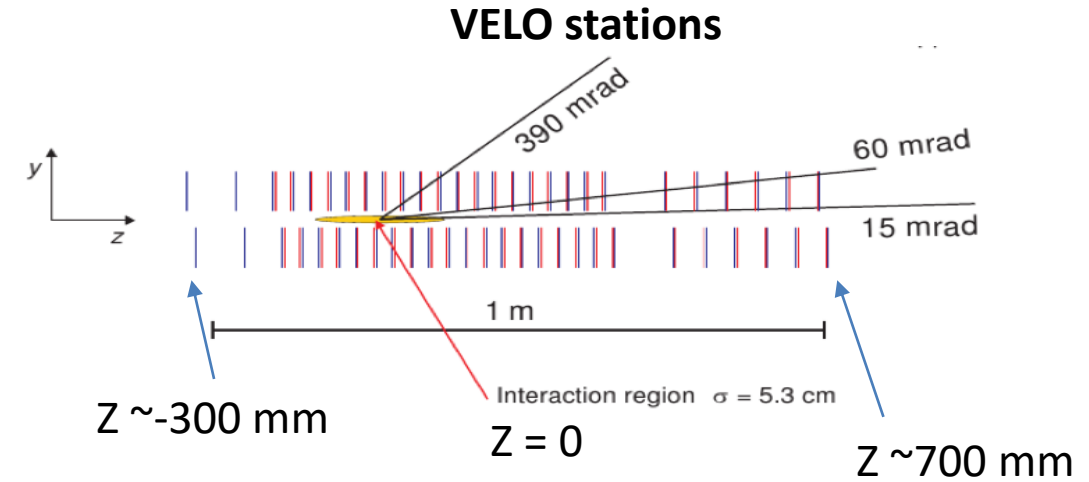


- Since 2015, LHCb started to take data in fixed-target configuration
- Two analyses performed with these data:
 1. Measurement of antiproton production in pHe collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=110$ GeV, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 121 \(2018\) 222001](#)
 2. First measurement of charm production in fixed-target configuration (pAr+pHe) [Phys. Rev. Lett. 122 \(2019\) 132002](#)
- Ongoing analyses with pNe and PbNe data

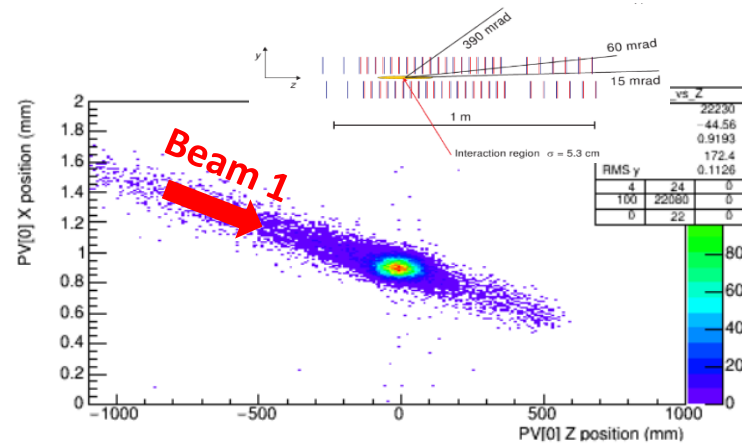
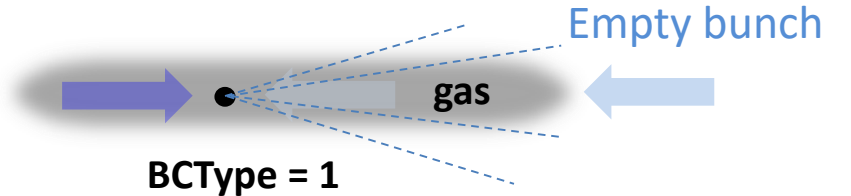
1. Feedback from SMOG1 – operations

- Data taking conditions**

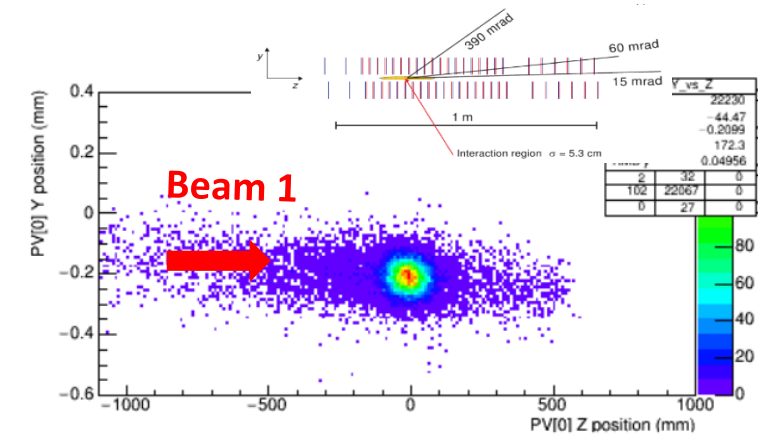
- Plots based on pNe 2017 data
 - ~1100 colliding bunches
 - ~700 non-colliding bunches
- Gas injected into the VELO tank (VELO pumps switched off)
- Use BCType=1 → fully filled beam 1 bunch meets empty beam 2 bunch at IP
- Gas leaks into the LHC tube, pumped 20 m away on both sides → vertices are spread over a large Z range



Filled bunch



Primary Vertex X vs. Z position



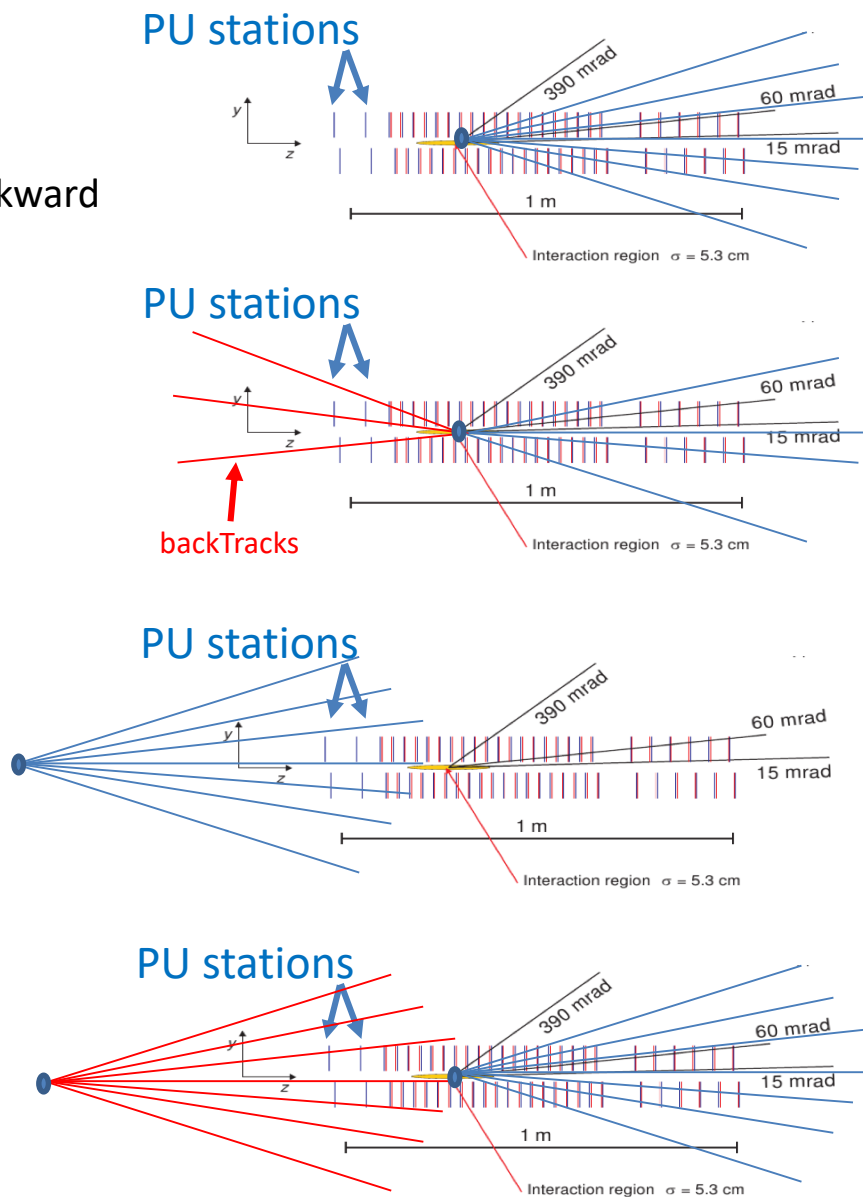
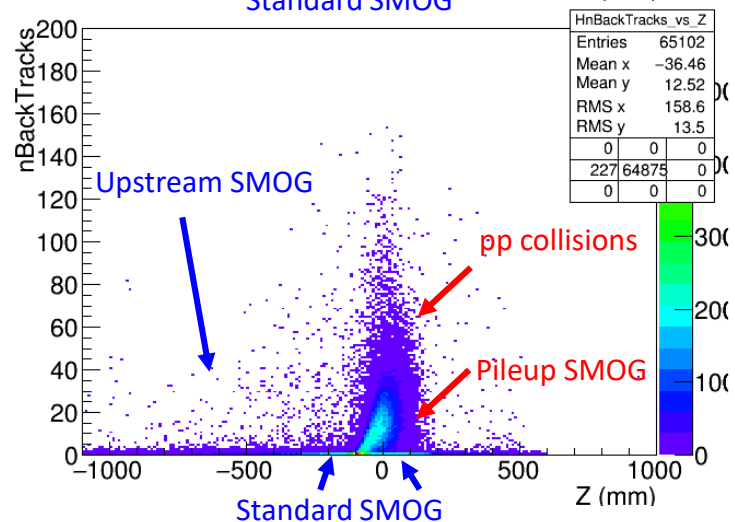
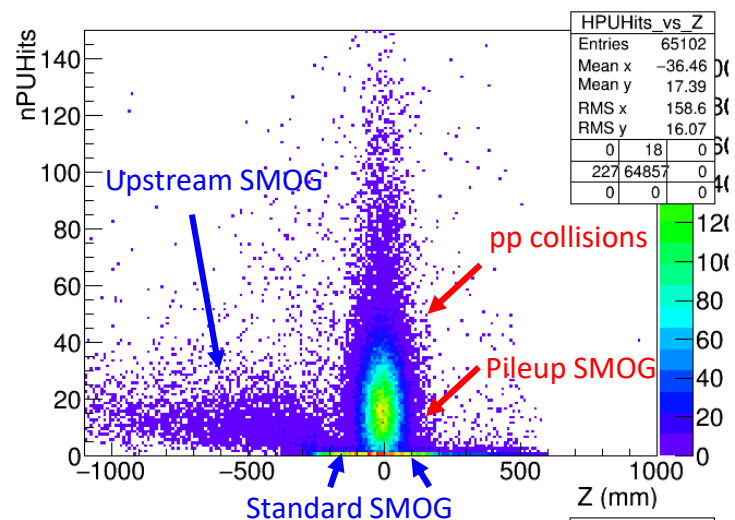
Primary Vertex Y vs. Z position

1. Feedback from SMOG1 – event topology

- Based on backward information

nPUHits = number of hits in PileUp stations

nBackTracks = number of VeloTracks going backward



1. Standard SMOG events

Number of hits in PU ~ 0

Number of backTracks ~ 0



2. pp Collisions

Number of hits in PU > 0

Number of backTracks > 0



3. Upstream SMOG events (PVZ < -200 mm)

Number of hits in PU > 0

Number of backTracks ~ 0



4. Pileup SMOG events

Number of hits in PU > 0

Number of backTracks > 0



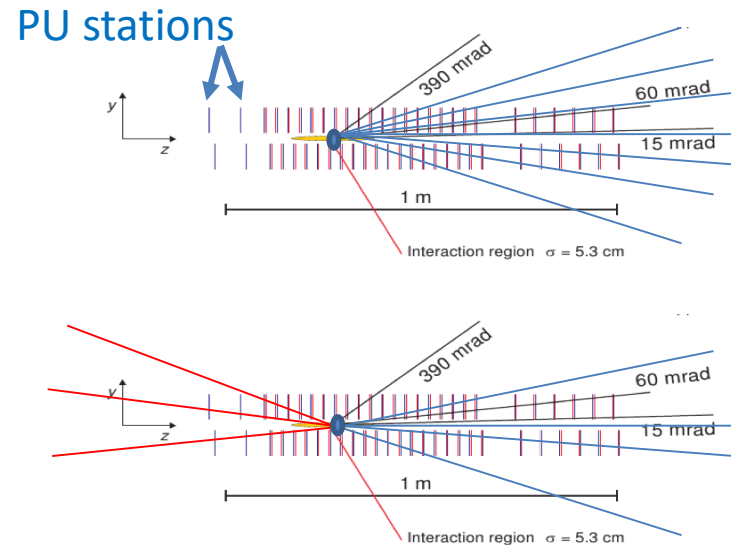
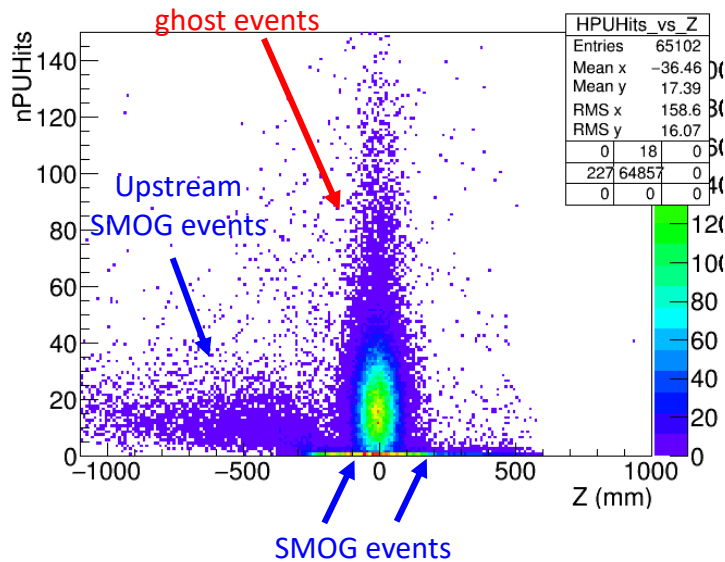
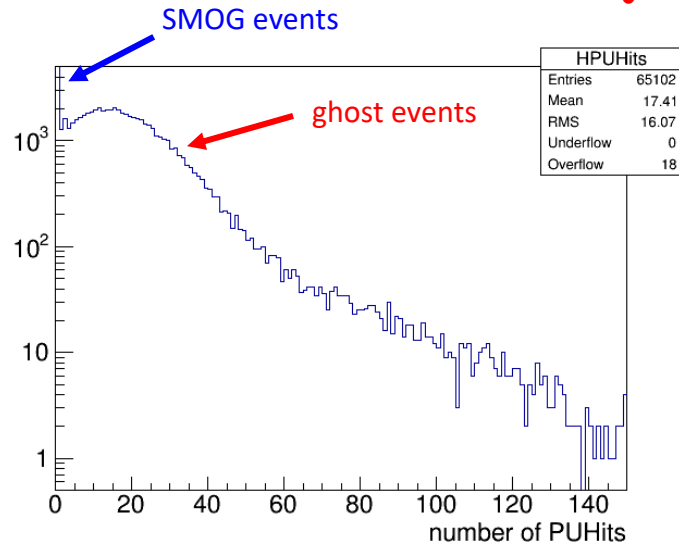
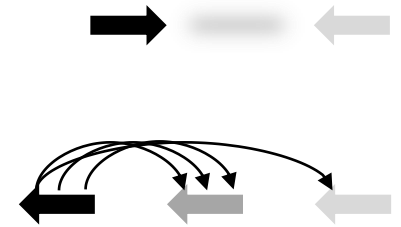
1. Feedback from SMOG1 – main source of background

- **pp collisions** in BCType=1 due to Ghost charge contamination

- **BCType = 1** → fully filled beam1 bunch meets empty beam2 bunch at IP

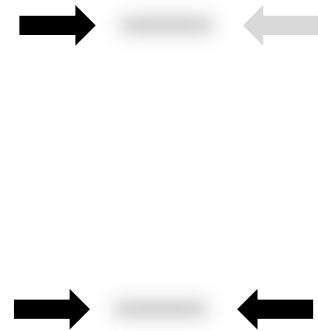
- In principle, beam2 bunch is empty, but some protons from previous fully filled beam2 bunch can migrate to downstream empty beam2 bunches → empty bunches may not be fully empty. Debunched protons are called « ghost charges ».

- Those « ghost charges » may interact with fully filled beam1 bunches at IP, producing a **proton-proton collision at 5 TeV**



« regular » SMOG events
 Number of hits in PU ~ 0
 Number of backtracks ~ 0

Ghost charges Collisions
 Number of hits in PU > 0
 Number of backtracks > 0



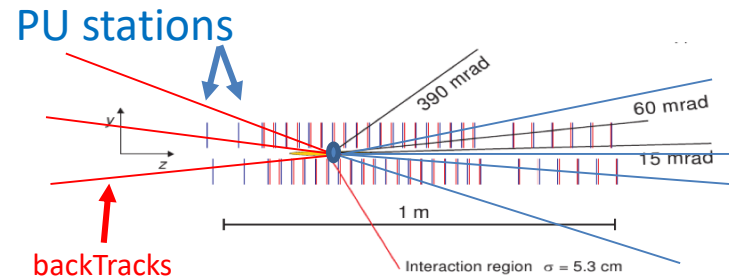
1. Feedback from SMOG1 – global event selections

- **Global event selection in antiproton and charm analyses**

- Backward information is used to remove background; cuts depend on the analysis strategy.

- Removing **pp collisions**

- Use nPUHits
- Use nBackTracks



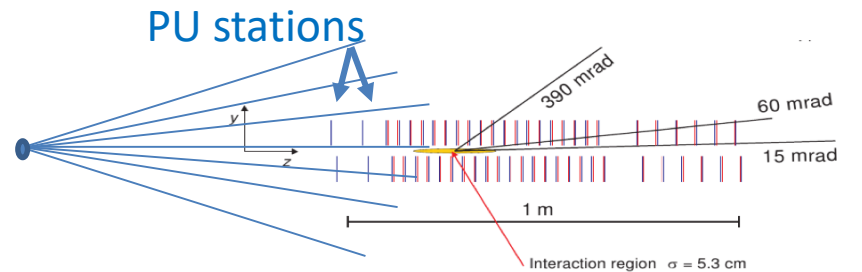
pp Collisions

Number of hits in PU > 0
 Number of backTracks > 0



- Removing **upstream SMOG**

- Use nPUHits
- Use PVZ (Primary Vertex Z position)



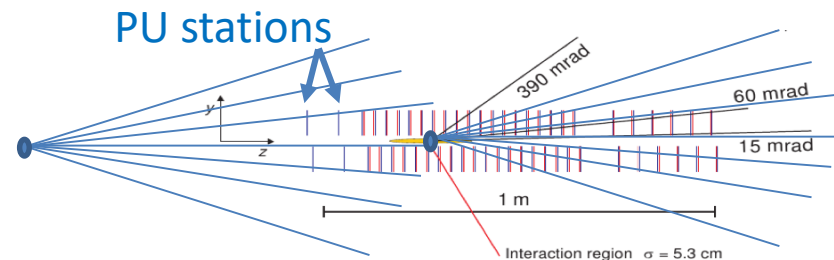
Upstream SMOG events ($PVZ < -200$ mm)

Number of hits in PU > 0
 Number of backTracks ~ 0



- Removing **Pileup SMOG**

- Use nPUHits
- Use PVZ



Pileup SMOG events

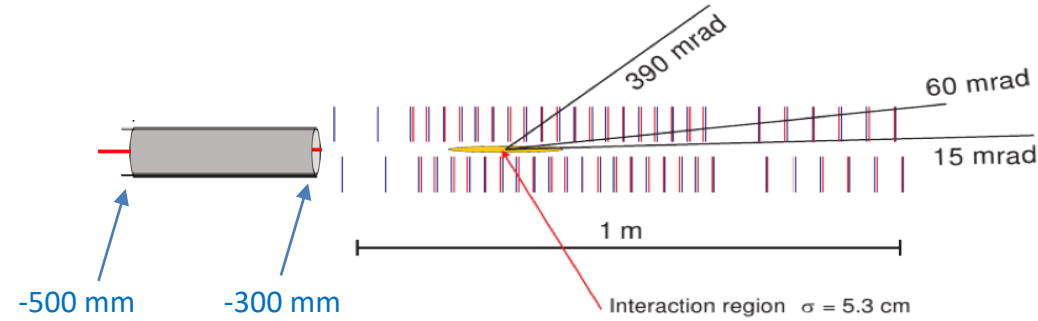
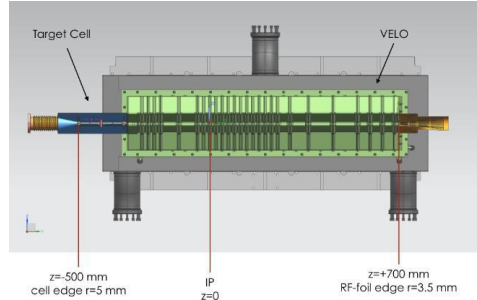
Number of hits in PU > 0
 Number of backTracks > 0



2. SMOG2 - operations

- **Storage cell** located upstream of the VELO

- Position: $-500 < PVZ < -300$ mm

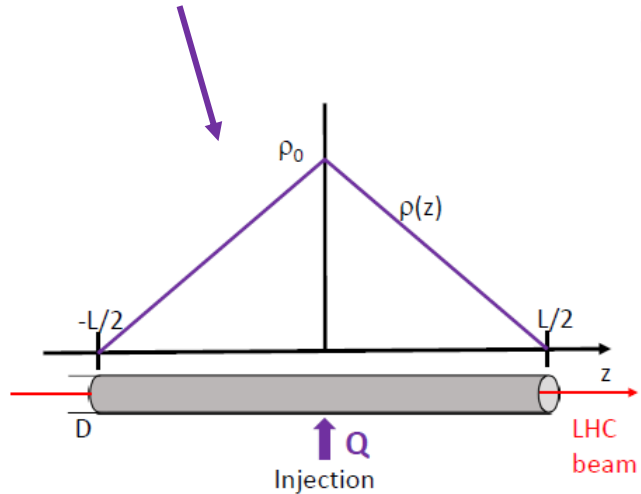


- Thanks to displaced vertex, **ghost charge contamination negligible**

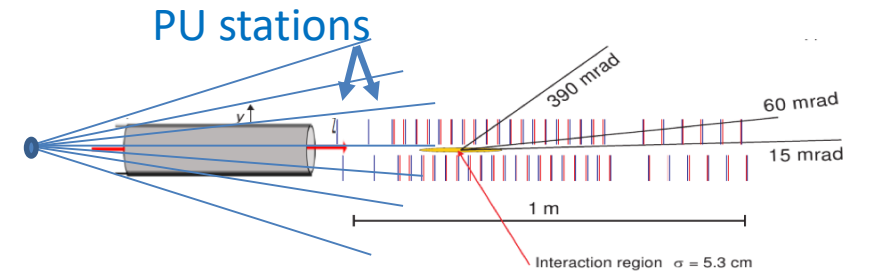
- Can be estimated with VELO backward information

- **Main source of background: upstream and pileup collisions**

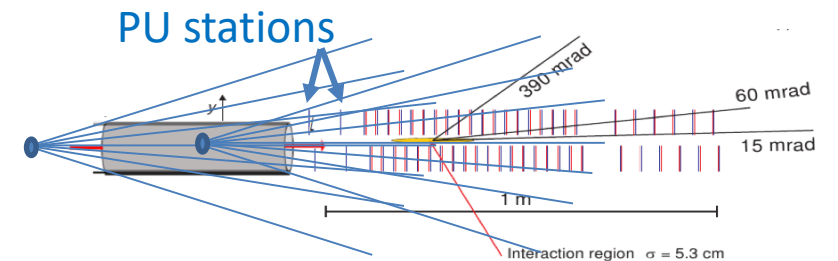
- No quantitative estimate available, but expect to be small thanks to the **gas density profile**



Upstream SMOG events ($PVZ < -500$ mm)

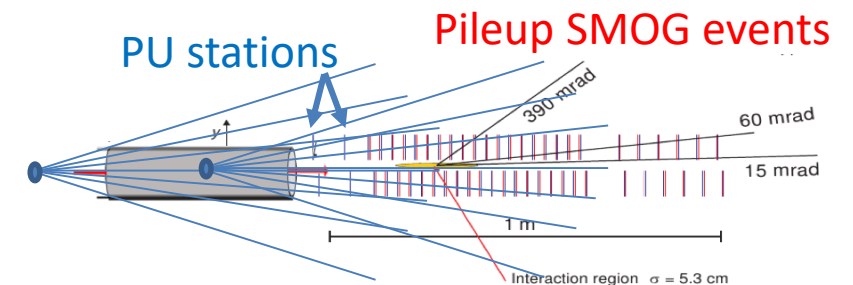
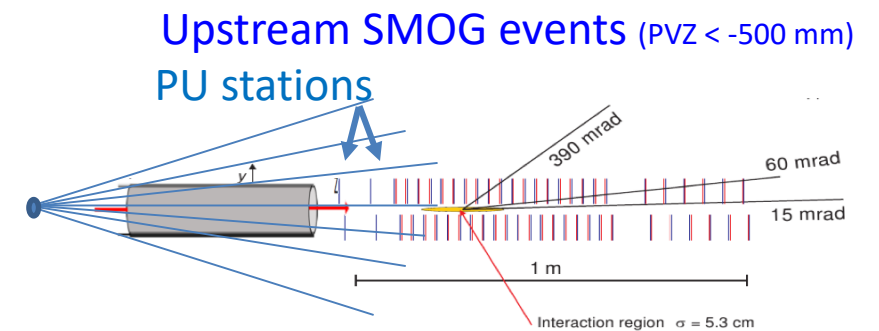
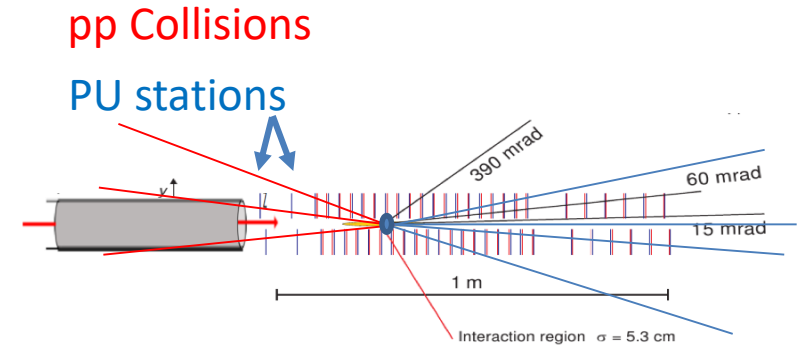


Pileup SMOG events



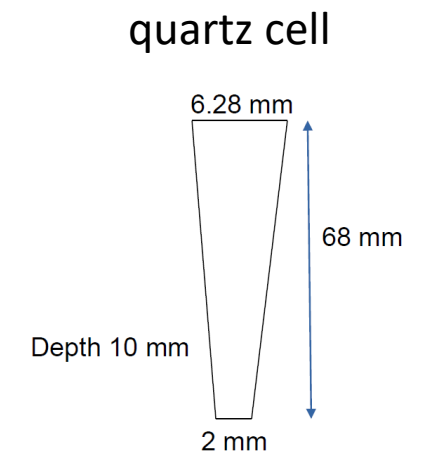
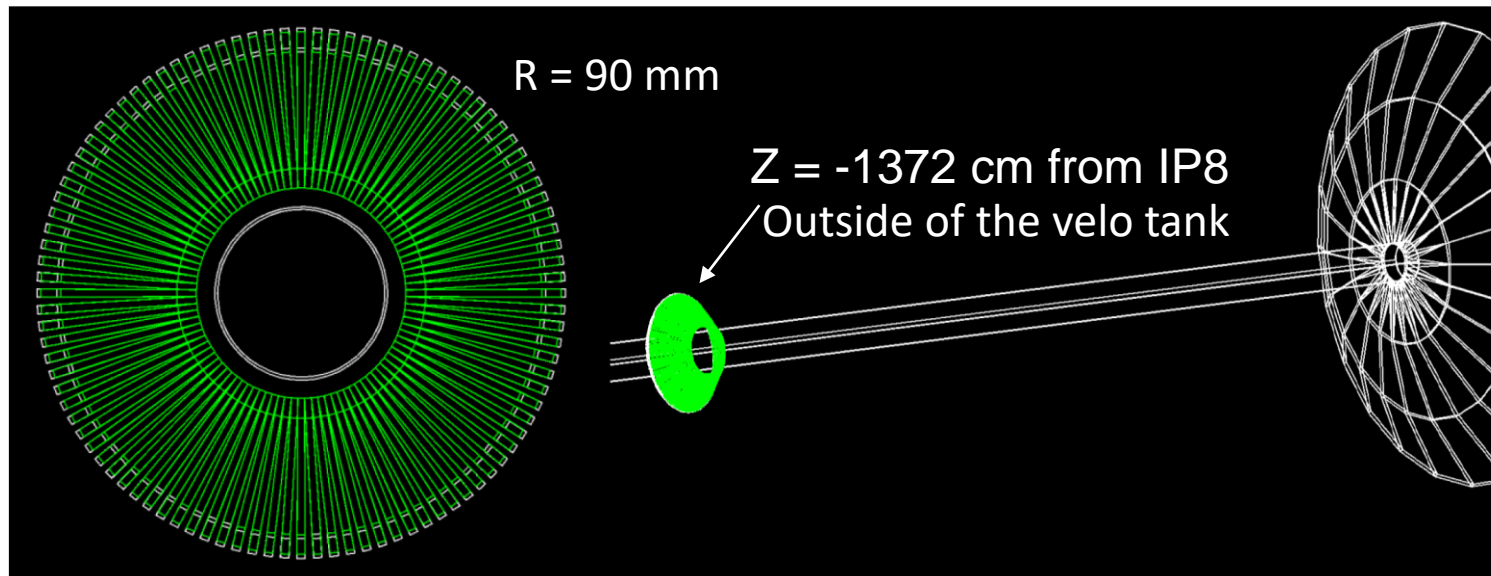
2. SMOG2 - analysis

- **Storage cell** located upstream of the VELO
 - Ghost charge (**pp collisions**) events can be removed with cut on PVZ
 - **Upstream SMOG** events can be removed with cut on PVZ
 - No simple cut to remove **Pileup SMOG** events
- **Analysis**
 - Some analysis depend on event multiplicity
 - **Nucleus-Nucleus collisions:** centrality of the collision is determined with the particle multiplicity and the energy deposited in the CALO.
 - **Proton-Nucleus collisions:** (for instance) the suppression of quarkonia due to their interaction with comoving particles is studied .vs. event multiplicity
 - **Flow analysis:** use particle correlation
 - **Pileup SMOG events** may introduce a bias in event multiplicity determination
 - Although this background is expected to be small, the estimation of the **systematic uncertainty** related to pileup contamination may be tricky.
 - A **detector upstream** of the target would help to remove/estimate pileup contamination



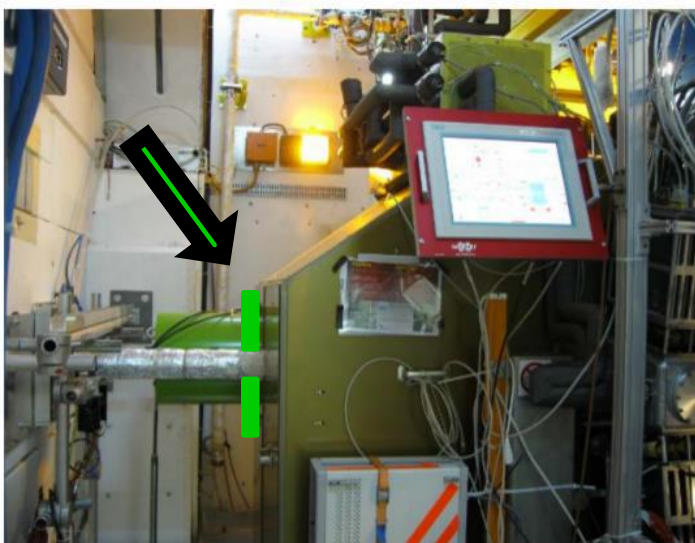
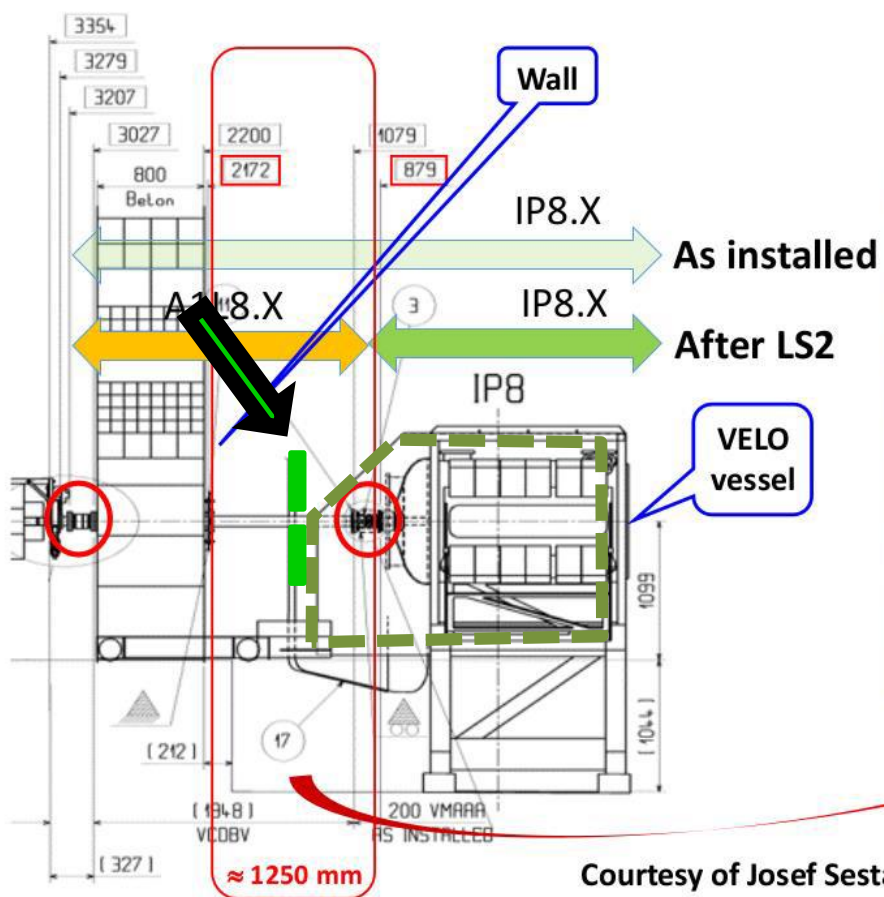
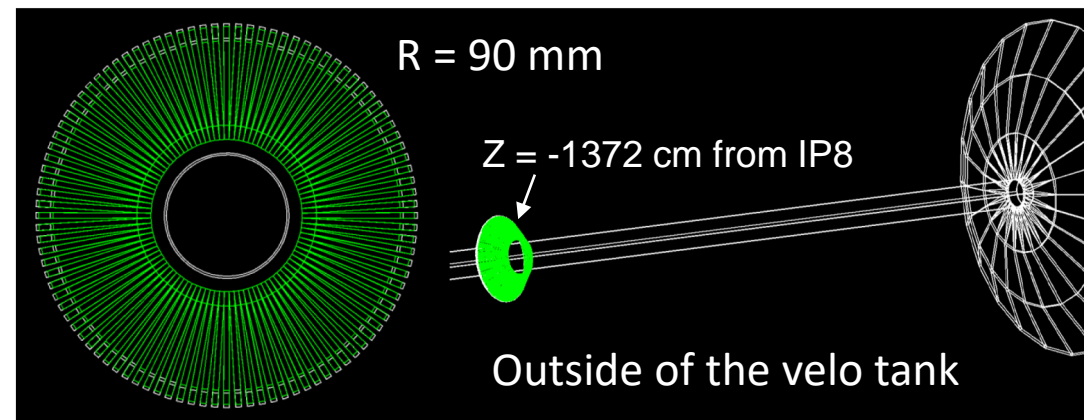
3. Proposal for a luminometer

- A proposal for a quartz sector counter for luminosity measurement
 - https://indico.cern.ch/event/824952/contributions/3451280/attachments/1858700/3053920/quartz_lumi.pdf
 - **Main goal:**
 - Alarm for LHC based on single BX ample
 - On(off)line luminosity measurement
 - Veto/monitor PileUp for SMOG2
 - **Proposed technique:**
 - Count fired quartz sectors using Cherenkov light
 - Small-size sectors → yes/no response
 - Count number of BX with no collisions (in addition, count number of collisions), then determine poissonian mean
 - Quartz sector readout: 100 – 400 channels (depending on the chosen option)



3. Luminometer - position

- the luminometer would be installed outside the VELO tank
 - Closest position ~ 80 cm upstream of the target cell



Courtesy of Josef Sestak, CERN

- **Feedback from SMOG1**
 - **Main background** source coming from **ghost charge** contamination
 - Background removed with backward and PVZ information
- **SMOG2:**
 - Thanks to displaced vertex, **ghost charge contamination will be negligible** (can be monitored with VELO information)
 - **Main** source of **background** should come from **pileup SMOG** events
 - The installation of a luminometer upstream of the target would help to veto/monitor pileup SMOG events
- **For SMOG3 (spin): Suggest to consider adding an upstream tracking/veto station in the setup**

