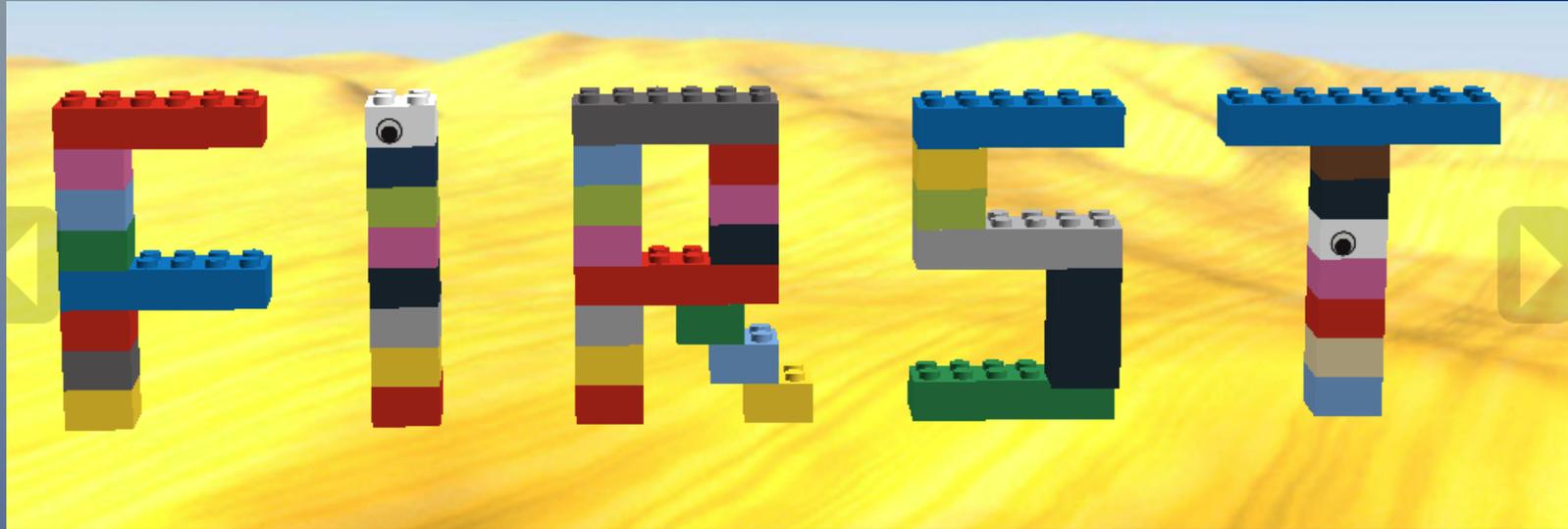


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The FIRST experiment on fragmentation of
high-energy heavy ions of biomedical
interest at GSI

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Outline

- Motivation
- The Collaboration
- Experimental setup
- Eventual future evolutions
- Summary & conclusion

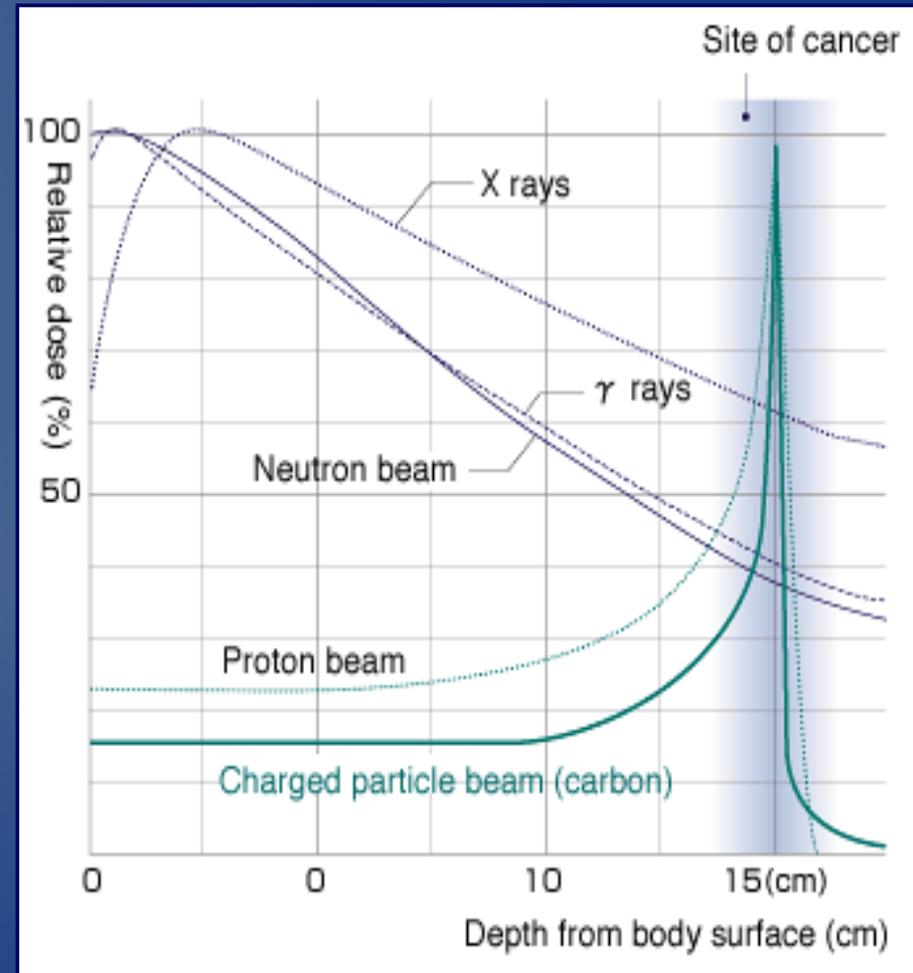
Hadrontherapy and light ions

Light ions advantages in radiation treatments :

- Better Spatial selectivity in dose deposition: **Bragg Peak** →
- Reduced lateral and longitudinal diffusion
- High Conformal dose deposition
- High Biological effectiveness



Treatment of highly radiation resistant tumours, sparing surrounding OAR



CARBON IONS ADVANTAGES

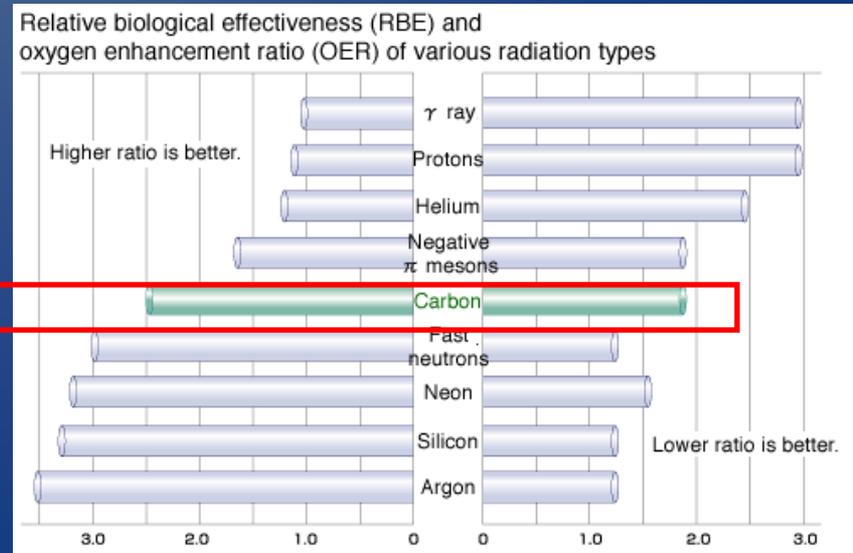
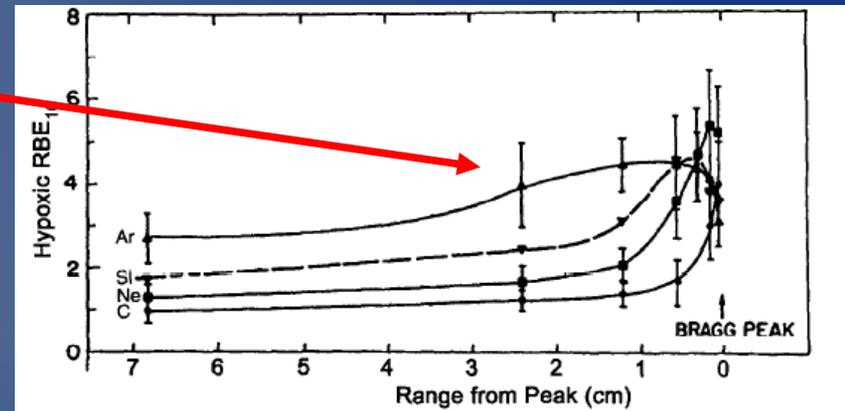


- Lower lateral and longitudinal diffusion vs. proton
➔ More precise energy deposition

- Optimal RBE profile vs penetration depth position.

- Online PET for depth deposition monitoring

- Good Compromise between RBE and OER.



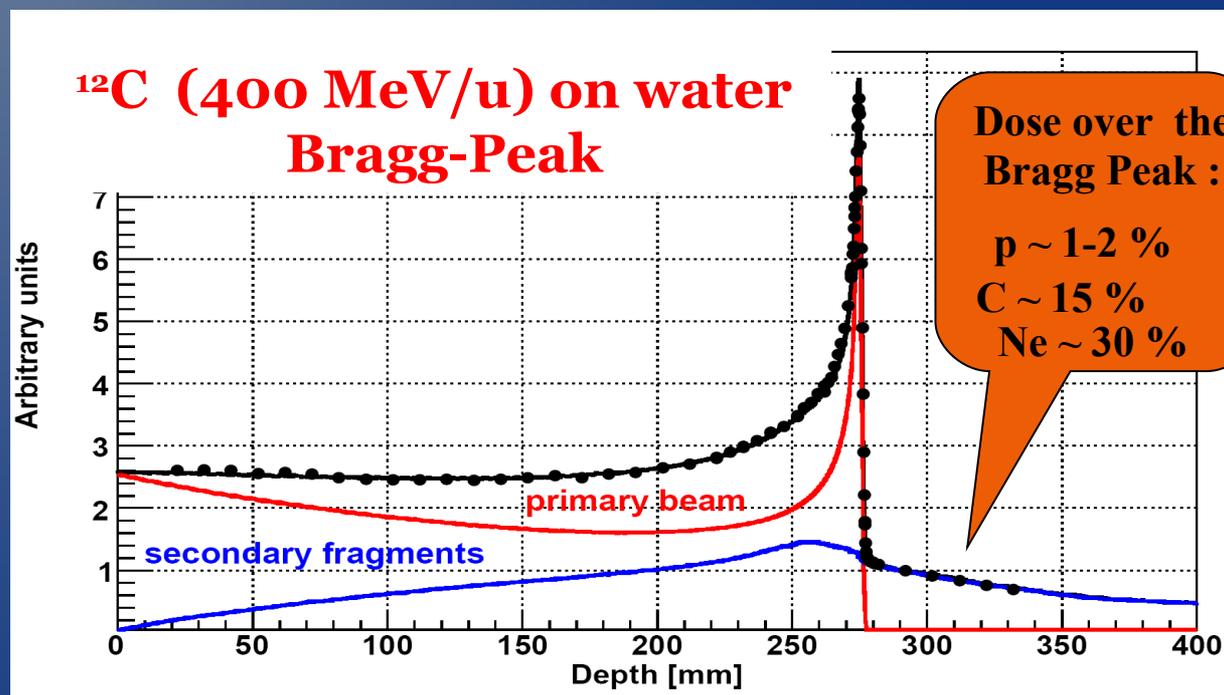
WATCH OUT!! RBE related problems & features will not be discussed in this talk!!!

DISADVANTAGE OF CARBON IONS

Nuclear Fragmentation of ^{12}C beam in the interaction with energy degraders and/or biological tissues

- ✓ Mitigation and attenuation of the primary beam
- ✓ Problems due to different biological effectiveness of the fragments

- ✓ Production of fragments with higher range vs primary ions
- ✓ Production of fragment with different direction vs primary ions

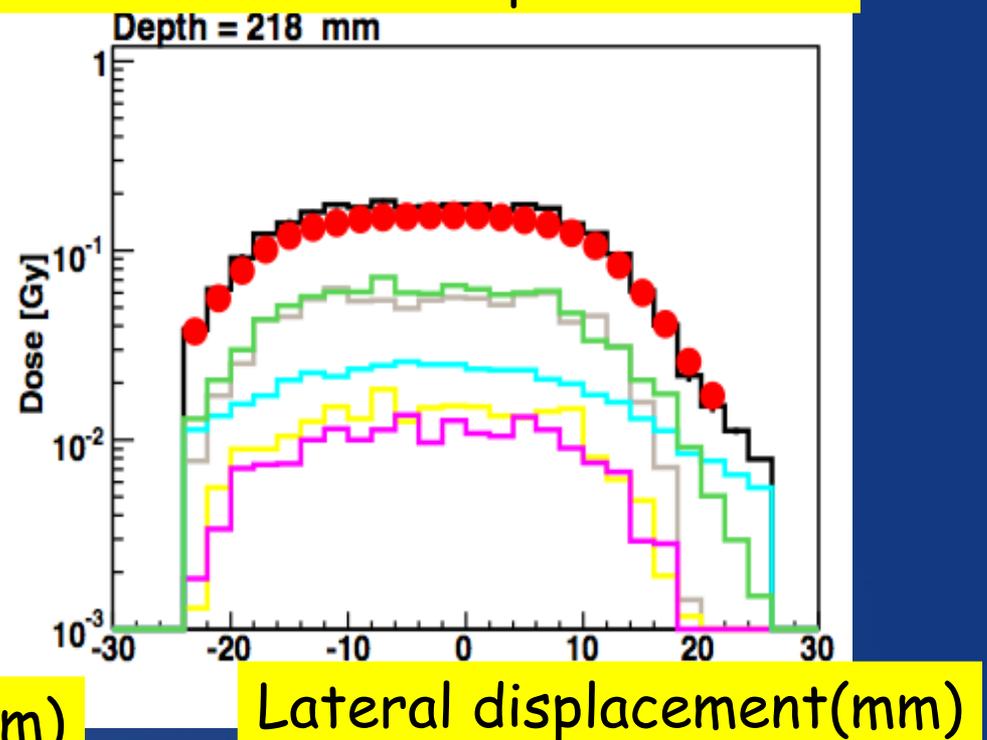
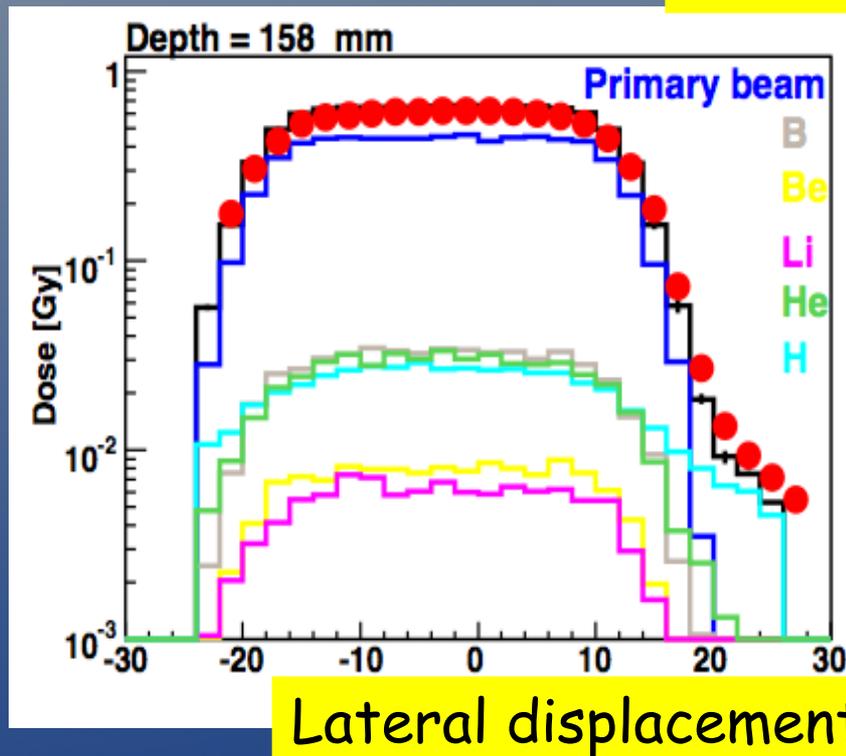


DISADVANTAGE OF CARBON IONS

The secondary fragments, especially the lighter ones such H and He, broaden the lateral dose profile.

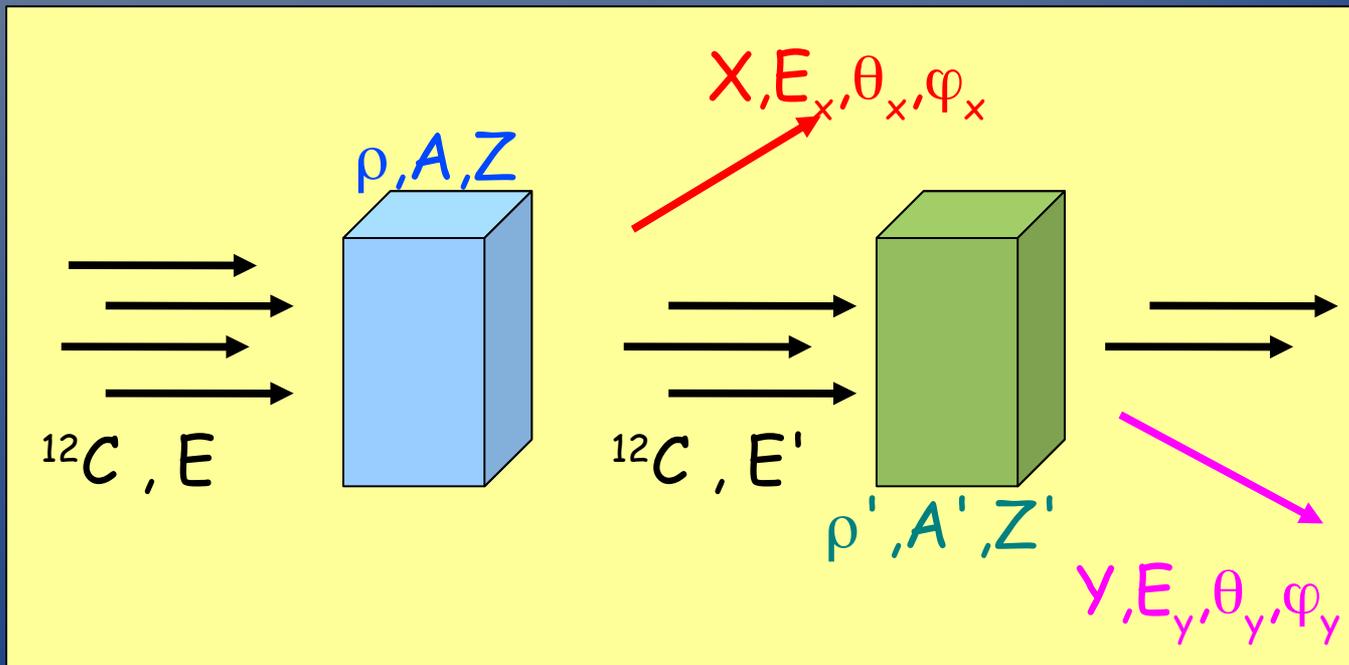
Effect gets more and more important approaching, and going beyond, the Bragg Peak i.e. the tumor region

SOBP centered at 20 cm depth in water



What should we know to take care of fragmentation?

- × Production yields of $Z=0,1,2,3,4,5$ fragments
- × $d^2\sigma/d\theta dE$ = double diff. cross sections wrt angle and energy
- × For ^{12}C energy of interest for Hadrontherapy (100-200 MeV/nucl)
- × On thin target of different materials on the ^{12}C path to the tumor



Not possible from measurement only

We need a nuclear interaction model !!

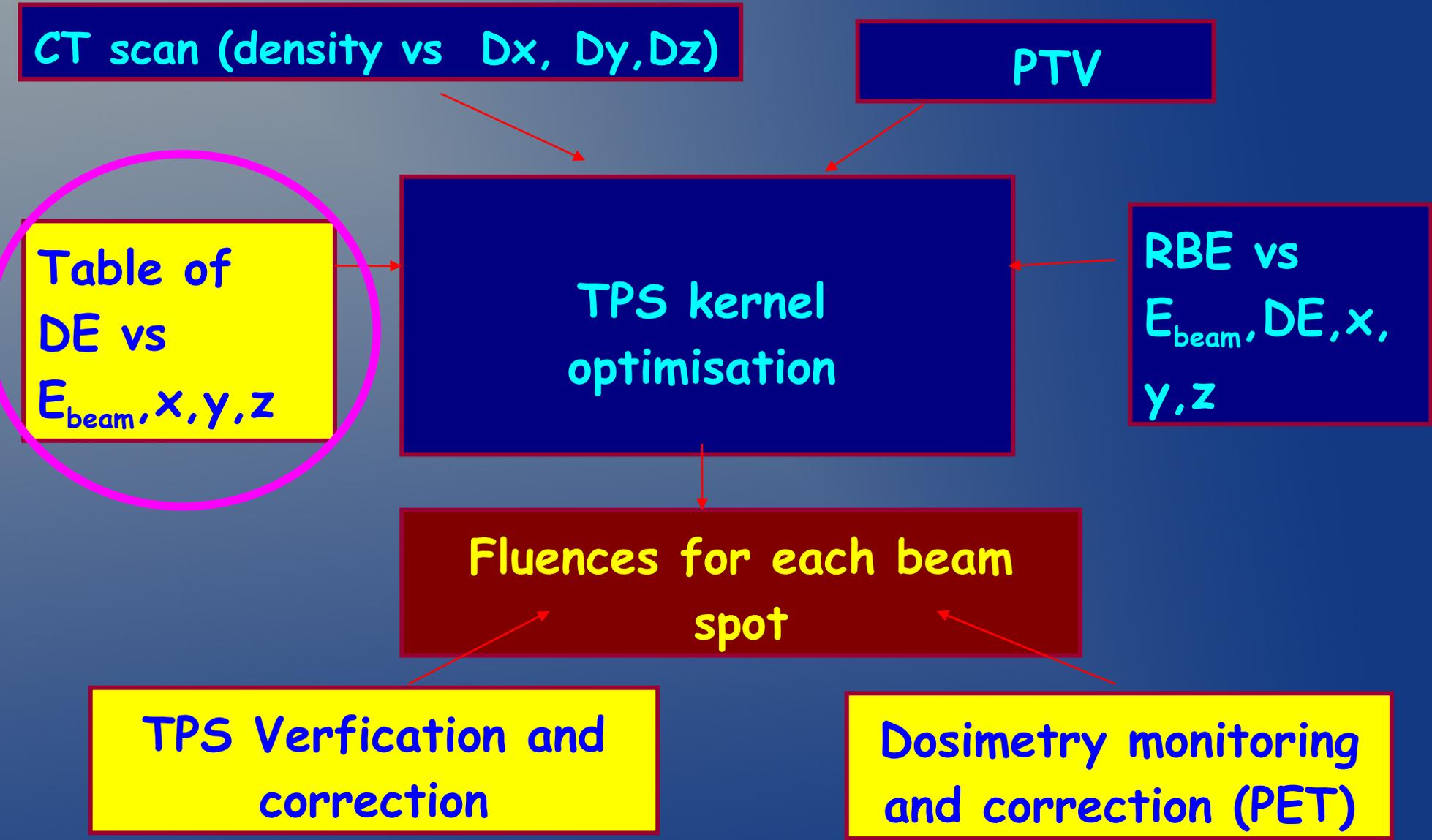
Fragmentation, TPS, MonteCarlo and all that..

The nuclear interaction description are embedded in the **Treatment Planning System** through a "physical" DB generated on the basis of a **Interaction Model** (by analytical computation or MC code) where the **energy releases** and the **fragment produced by the beam** are stored. Thus **the benchmarking of the MC with the measurements** are getting more and more important due to:

- ✓ Better representation of the nuclear interaction model wrt analytic calculation
- ✓ Natural and easy 3D treatment of physics processes
- ✓ More accurate patient representation wrt w.e. approach
- ✓ Possibility of exploiting PET online
- ✓ Easily taken into account the beam features

CPU time prevents the use of TPS entirely based on MC in hadrontherapy clinical routine

A (over) simplified scheme of a Treatment Planning System



Yellow = (can be) MC based

MC for TPS: what is on the market?

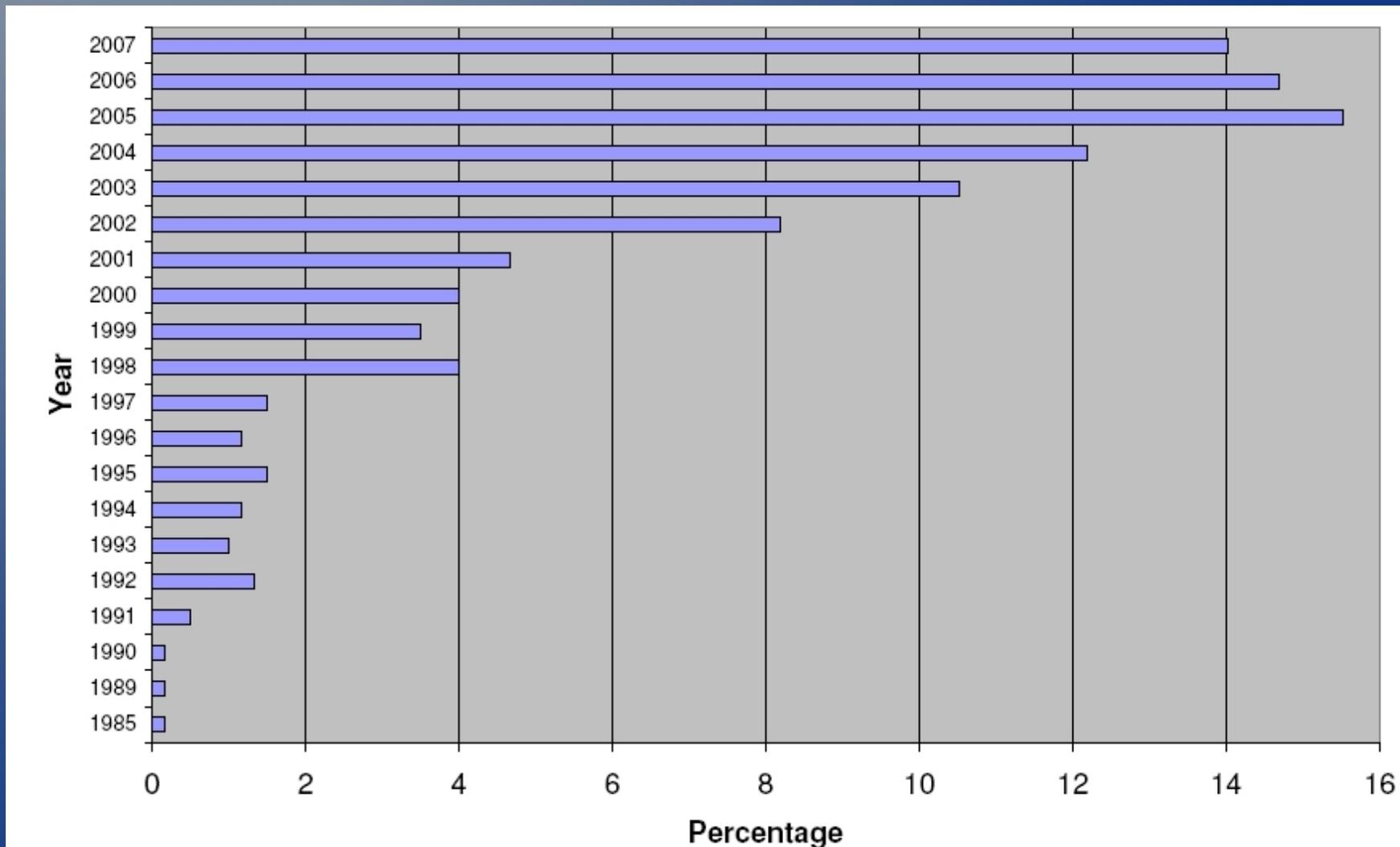
The list is
absolutely not
exhaustive

- ◆ **EGS4, EGSnrc, ETRAN, PENELOPE**: electron and photon
- ◆ **MCNP** : only electron, photon and neutron
- ◆ **VMCpro, ISTAR, MCNPX**: only for proton. parametrised nuclear int
- ◆ **Geant4 , PHITS, FLUKA** : general purpose, transport any particle from photon to heavy ion → **suitable for ^{12}C beam**
- ◆ **Geant4** : very large user community, optimised version for low energy, OO, flexible
- ◆ We will use **FLUKA** as reference code: very accurate physics description, old style coding (FORTRAN).

MC for physicist is like religion or favorite soccer team: you do not choose it , you are chosen by it, and once you are chosen, no way to change it !! (see the G4 vs FLUKA religion war...)

MC for TPS (MCTP): very popular (trendy?) ..!

In the period 2000-2007 there has been an exponential growth of the MCTP related papers (source: ISI Web Science)



Frag meas: thick target

A lot of integral measurements are already around..

Projectile Energy[MeV/N] Target

⁴ He	100, 180	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
¹² C	100, 180, 400	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
²⁰ Ne	100, 180, 400	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
²⁸ Si	800	C, Al, Cu, Pb	HIMAC by Kurosawa et al.
⁴⁰ Ar	400	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
⁵⁶ Fe	400	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
¹²⁶ Xe	400	C, Al, Cu, Pb	
²⁰ Ne	337	C, A, Cu and U	BEVALAC by Schimmerling et al.
⁹³ Nb	272	Al, Nb	BEVALAC by Heilbronn et al.
⁹³ Nb	435	Nb	
⁴ He	155	Al	NSRL by Heilbronn et al.
¹² C	155	Nb	
⁴ He	160	Pb	SREL by Cecil
⁴ He	180	C, H ₂ O, steel, Pb	
¹² C	200	H ₂ O	GSI by Günzert-Marx et al.
¹² C	400	H ₂ O	GSI by Haettner et al.

Tentative & incomplete list

Courtesy of M. Durante

Frag meas: thin target

A lot of measurements on thin target are already around.. but not wrt angle and energy

Projectile Energy[MeV/N] Target

^4He	135	C, Poly, Al, Cu, Pb
^{12}C	135	C, Poly, Al, Cu, Pb
^{20}Ne	135	C, Poly, Al, Cu, Pb
^{40}Ar	95	C, Poly, Al, Cu, Pb
^{12}C	290, 400	C, Cu, Pb
^{20}Ne	400, 600	C, Cu, Pb
^{40}Ar	400, 560	C, Cu, Pb
^4He	230	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb
^{14}N	400	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb
^{28}Si	600	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb
^{56}Fe	500	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb
^{86}Kr	400	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb
^{126}Xe	400	Li, C, CH_2 , Al, Cu, Pb

RIKEN by Sato et al.

HIMAC Iwata et al.

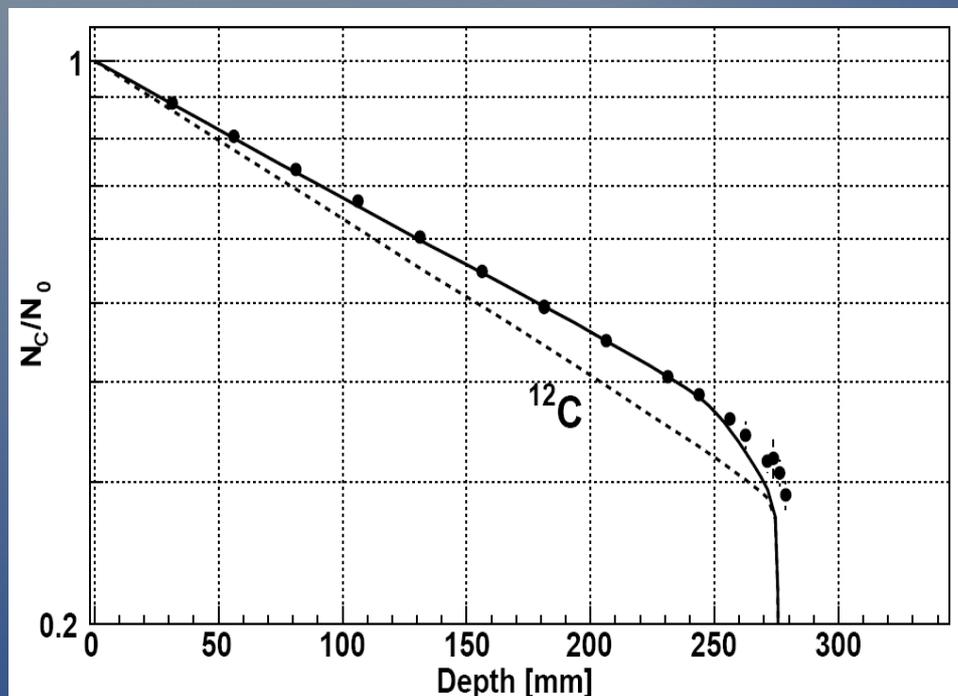
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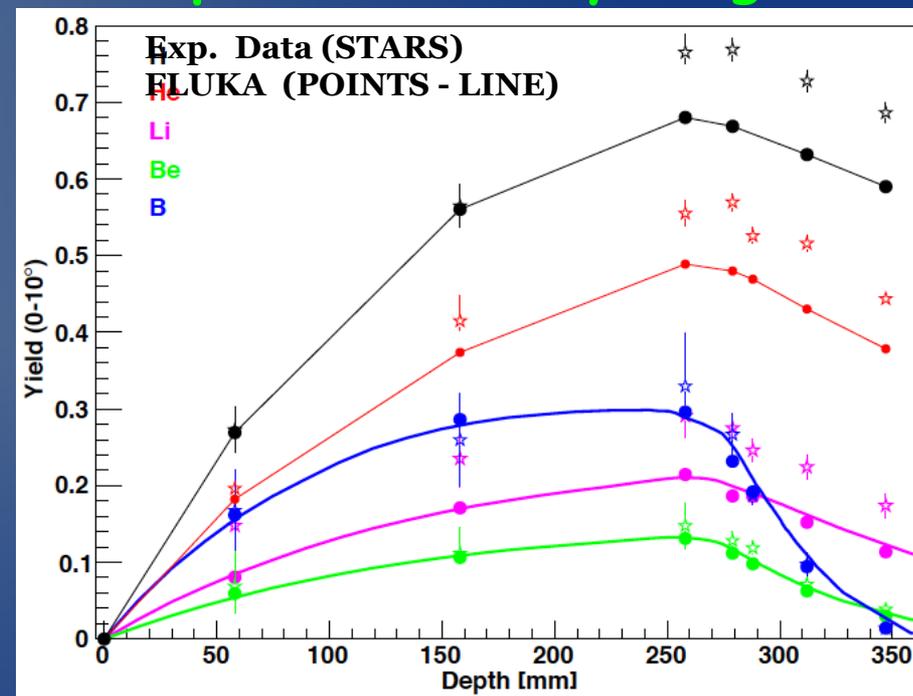
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FLUKA benchmark
against thick target
experimental data

Attenuation of primary beam



Build-up of secondary fragments



^{12}C (400 MeV/u)
on water

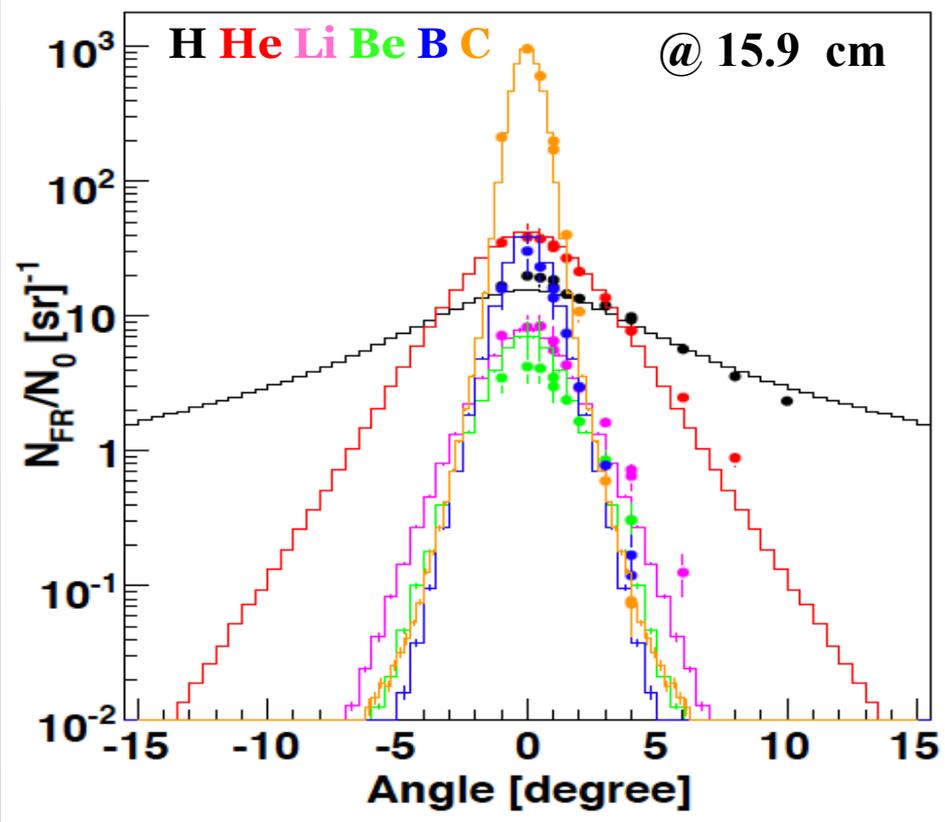
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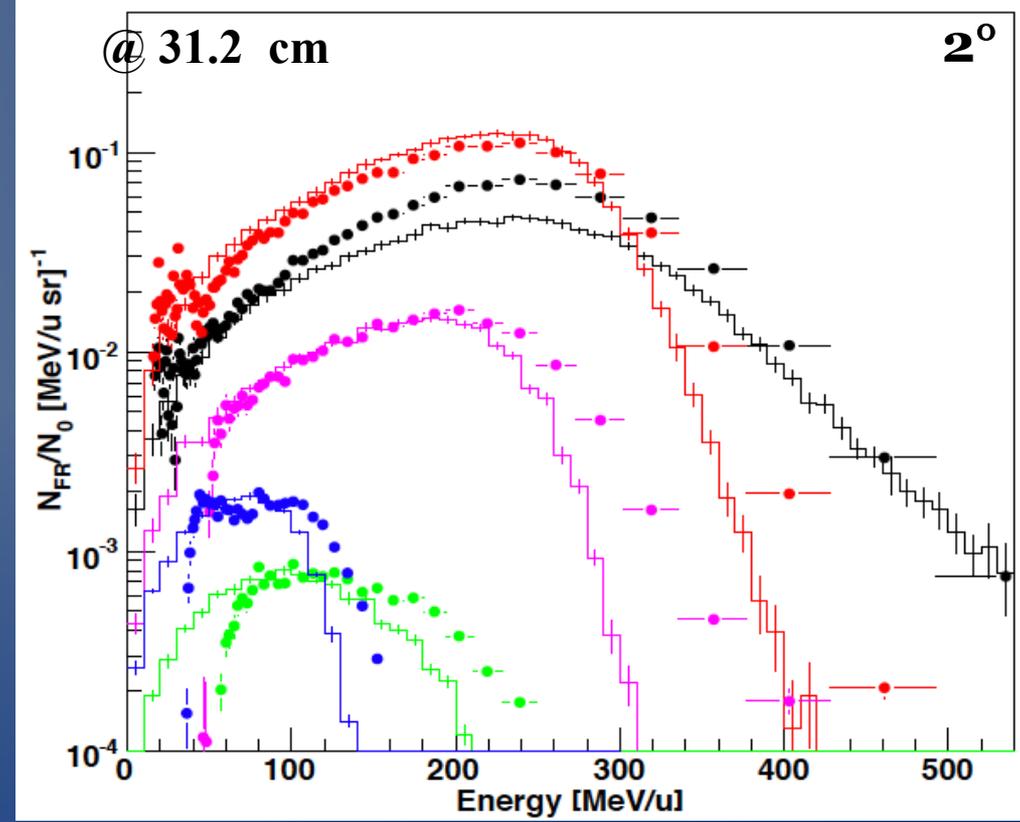
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Angular distribution



Energy distribution



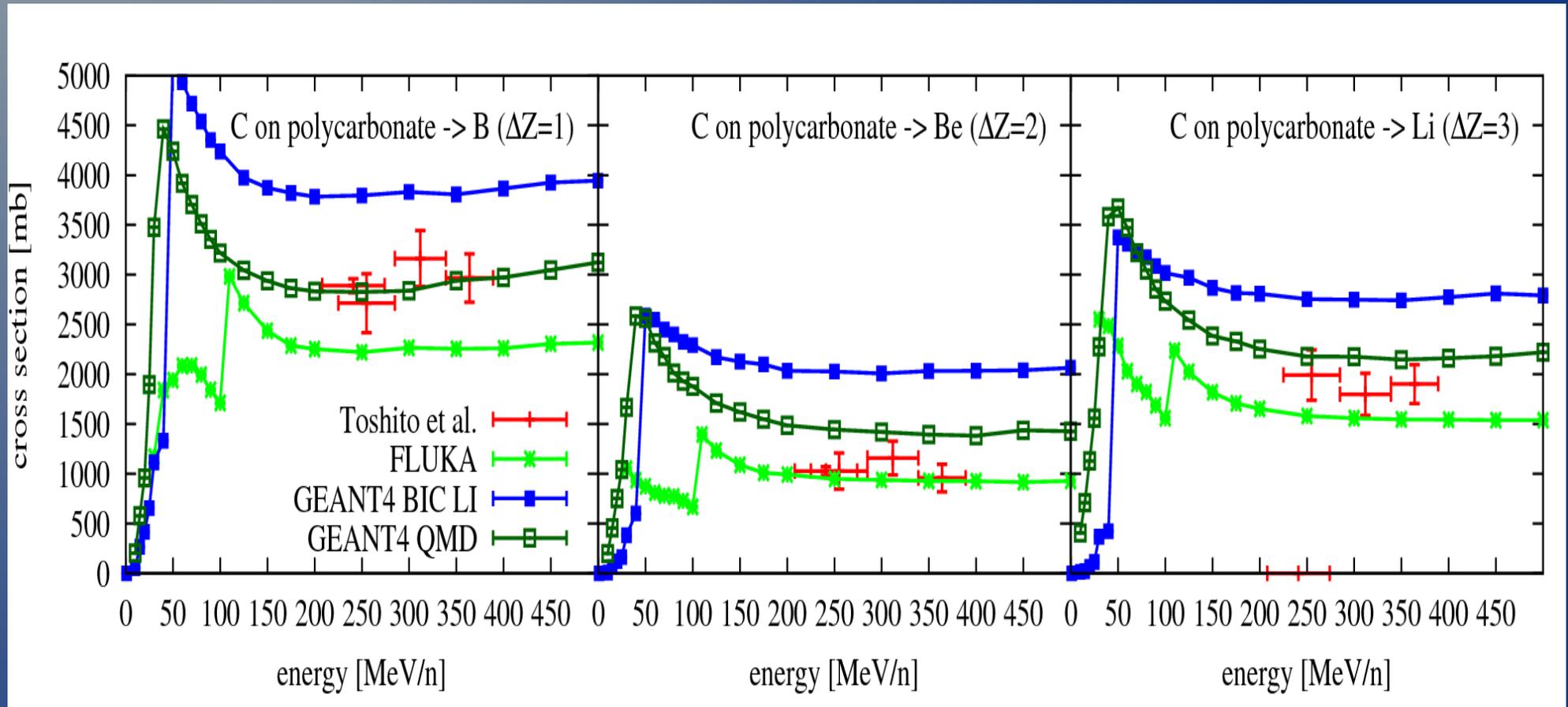
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Benchmarking MC nuclear interaction model on thick target: FLUKA & G4

Charge-changing X-sections for C on polycarbonate



exp. data:
Toshito et al. 2006

The FIRST collaboration



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FIRST stands for: **F**ragmentation of **I**ons **R**elevants for **S**pace and **T**herapy

S371 is the **GSI** label for us

The FIRST experiment: aim and genesis

Target: Double differential cross section (with respect to the emission θ and E) for each of the produced fragments in C-C, C-Au (Fe-C, Fe-Si, O-C) interaction, with 3% accuracy.

✓ 16 Dic. 2008 - Colloquium al GSI:

Light Ion Fragmentation Measurements for Medical and Space Applications

✓ 29 Gen. 2009: Proposal to G-PAC:

Extensive study of nuclear reactions of interest for medical and space applications

✓ 27 Feb. 2009: approval by G-PAC for C-C:

beam in early 2011

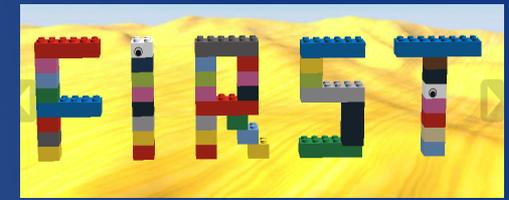
Beam time: requested...

- **Control of setup beam** **1 day per period of**
- **C+C @ 0.2, 0.4 and 1.0 AGeV** **6 days**
- **C+Au @ 0.2, 0.4** **4 days**
- **O+C @ 0.2, 0.4** **4 days**
- **Fe+Si @ 0.5 and 1.0 AGeV** **4 days**
- **Fe+C @ 1.0 AGeV** **2 days**
- **Calibration**
2 days

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sono lieto di confermarvi l'assegnazione di 33 shifts per fare le misure  
rilevanti per l'adroterapia.  
Buon lavoro! A presto,  
ciao, Paolo  
  
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.. and obtained

The IDEAL detector

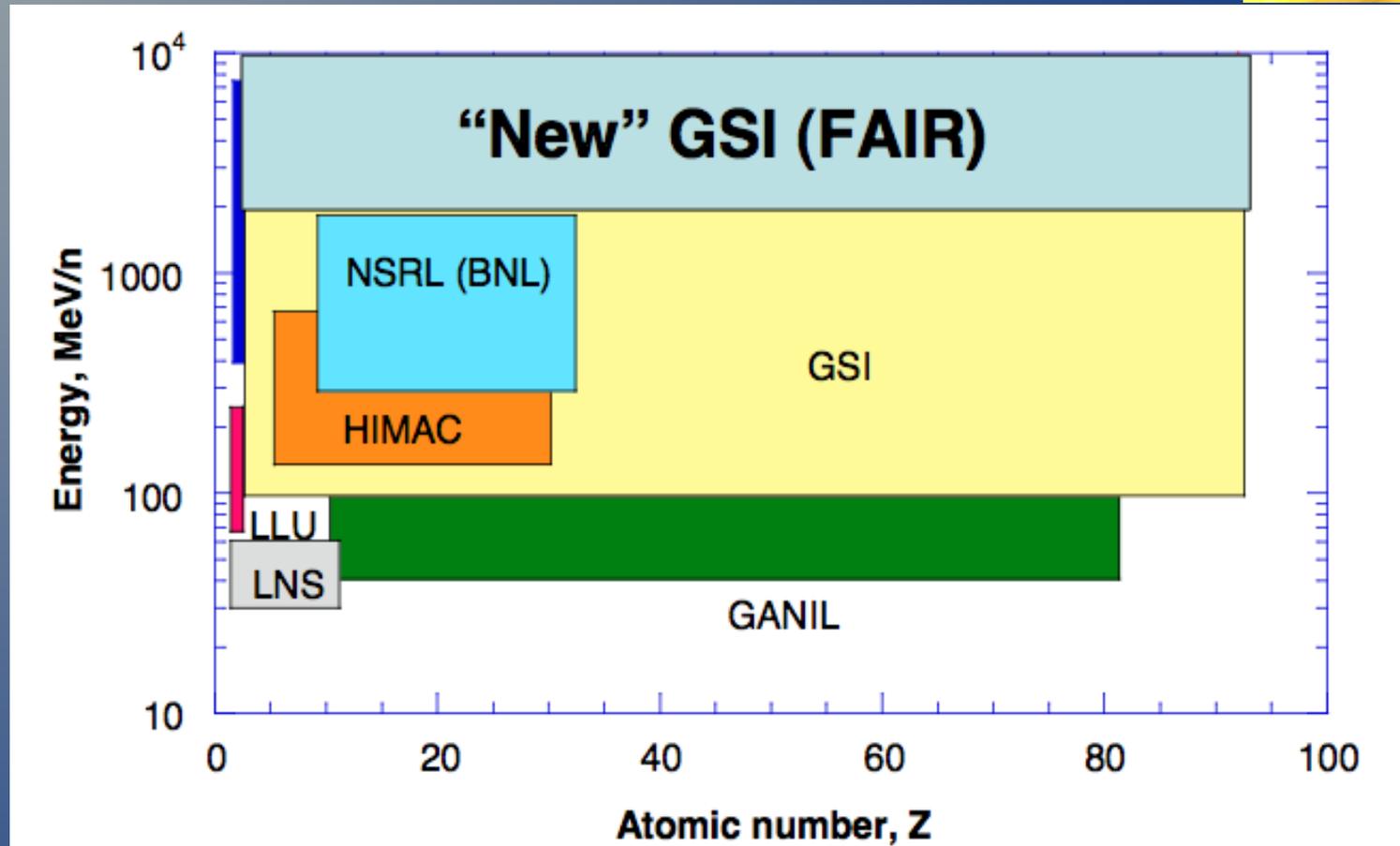


On an event by event basis, the ideal detector should:

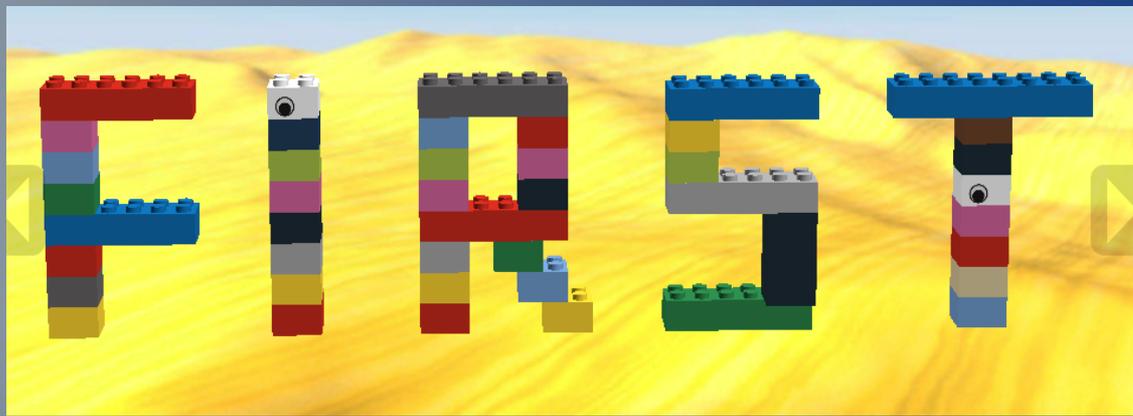
- Identify all the fragment produced, i.e. detect **charge**, with $0 < Z < 6$ and detect **mass**, on all **the solid angle**
- Detect the **energy** of the fragments (from 0 to 700 MeV p)
- Measure the **emission angle**
- Detect all the **correlations**, with **systematic below few %**
- Be located on a suitable beam (^{12}C @200-400 MeV/nucl)

Starting from scratch, such a detector would be VERY, VERY expensive (several M€) , would take LONG, LONG time and a VERY LARGE group to design and build it.

FIRST: where and what...?

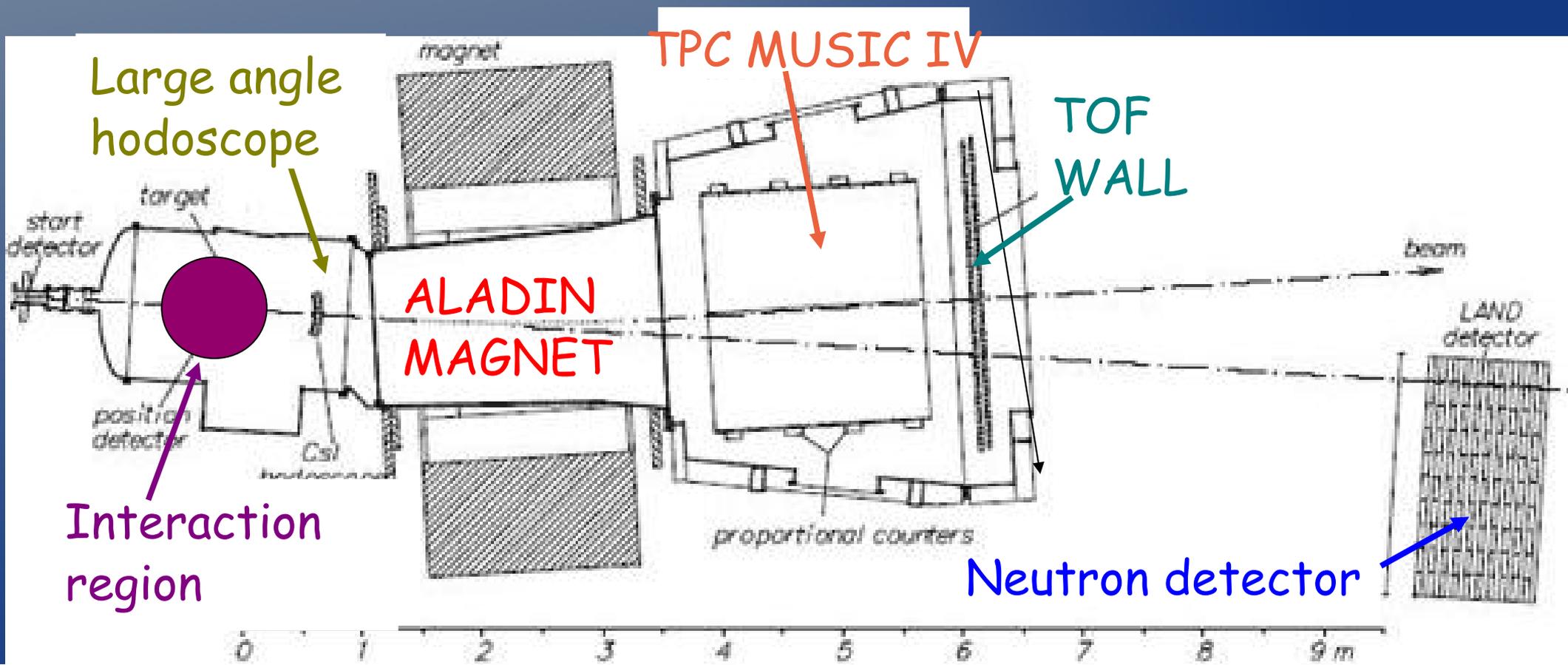


At GSI there are the proper beam and a previous setup that has been designed for a similar (but not the same) physics. We will improve, adapt and optimize the ALADIN experimental setup for our goal

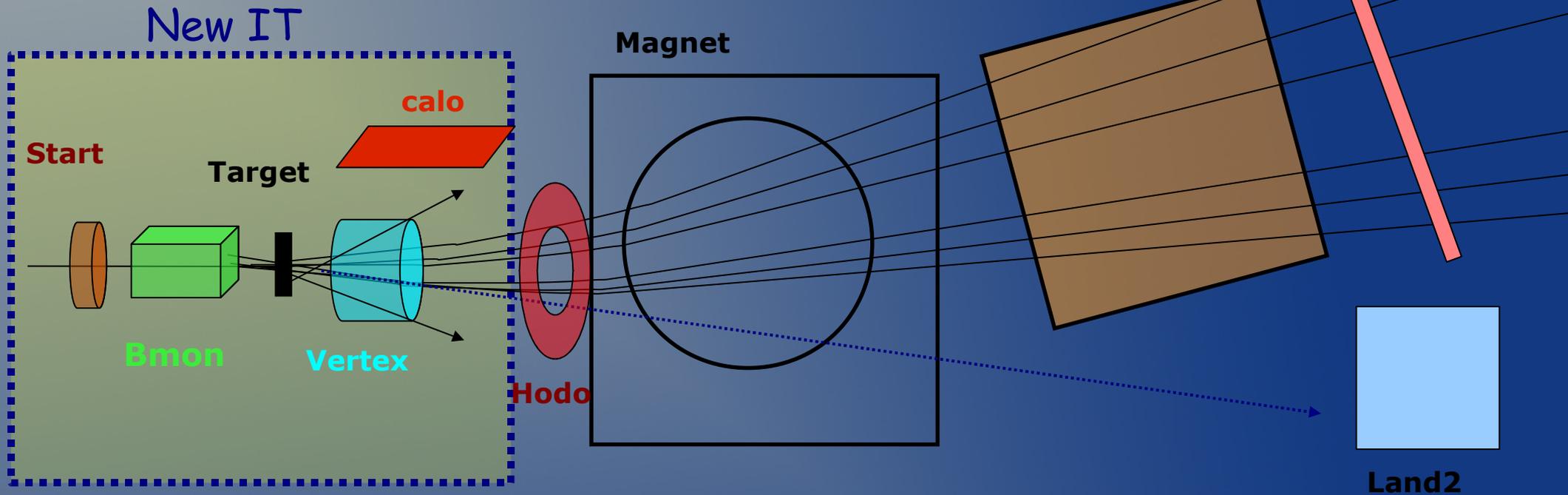


Have you ever played with LEGO?

Setup tailored for more energetic and higher Z fragments → added new sub-detectors mainly concentrated near the IR : Silicon hodoscope, Start Counter, Beam Monitor, Vertex Detector (& CALO?)



Who measures what...?



MUSIC → Z/p , θ, φ after bending

MUSIC → Energy loss $\propto (Z/\beta)^2$

Hodo → Large angle fragment energy, θ, φ

Vertex → Fragments emission θ, φ

Start and TOF wall → $TOF = L(p, Z, \theta, \varphi) / \beta$

Bmon → Beam impact point

To extract $Z, A, \theta_{emiss}, p_{emiss}$ the reconstruction must exploit all the setup information

CALO → Large angle p

LAND2 → neutron flux

What we expect: MC studies

We use FLUKA as benchmark MC for our studies: the MC distribution can be used as "rule of thumb" indicator useful mostly to optimize the detector for critical items as:

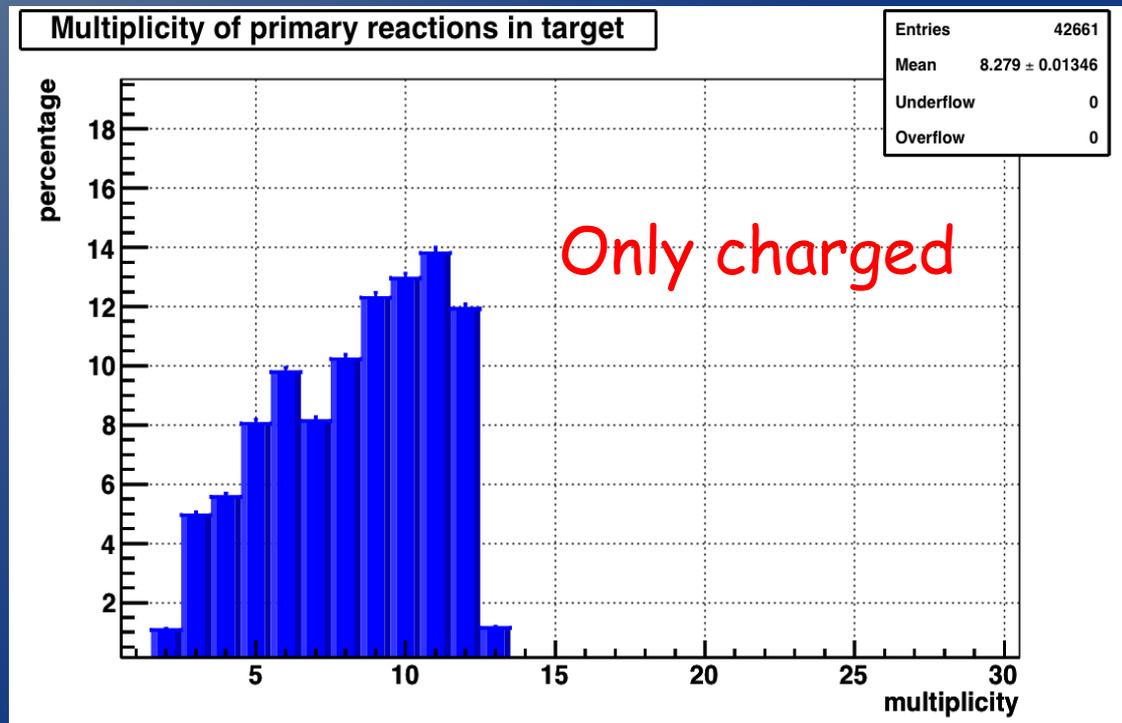
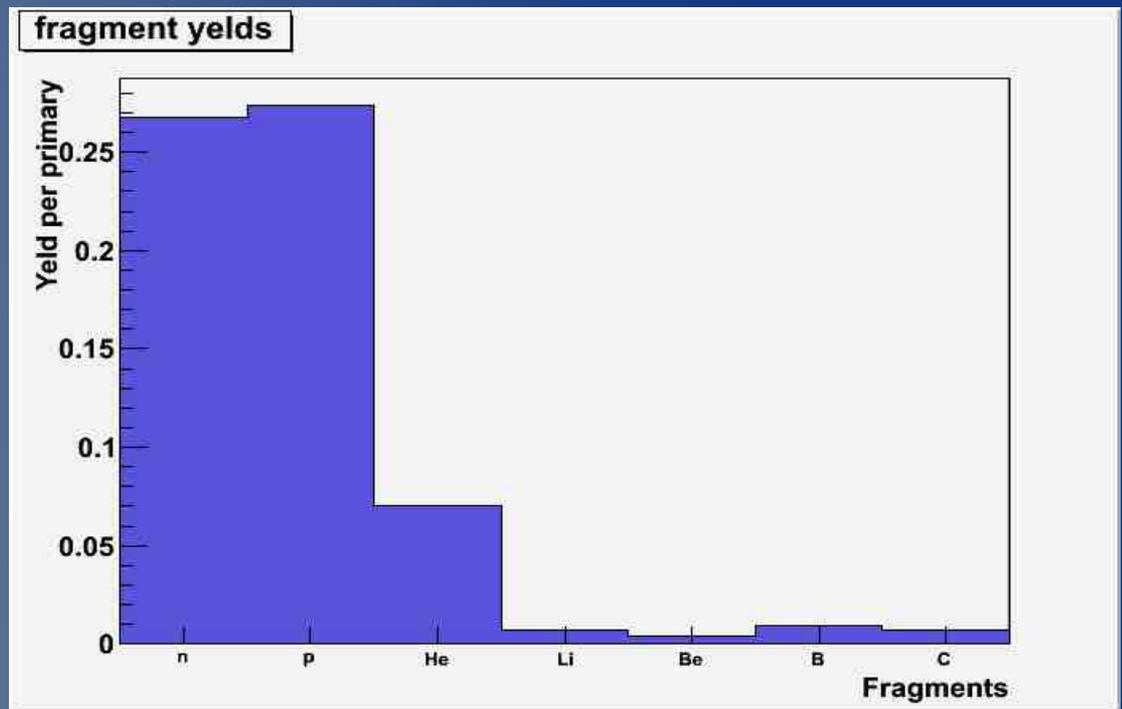
- ✓ Space and time resolution
- ✓ Detector occupancy
- ✓ Particle ID
- ✓ Trigger design
- ✓ Background and out of target interactions evaluation
- ✓ Reconstruction software development

Expected fragment yield

As bench mark we considered the interaction of a **400 Mev/nucl** Carbon ion on a **5mm thick** Carbon target. **5%** of the primary carbons interact in the target

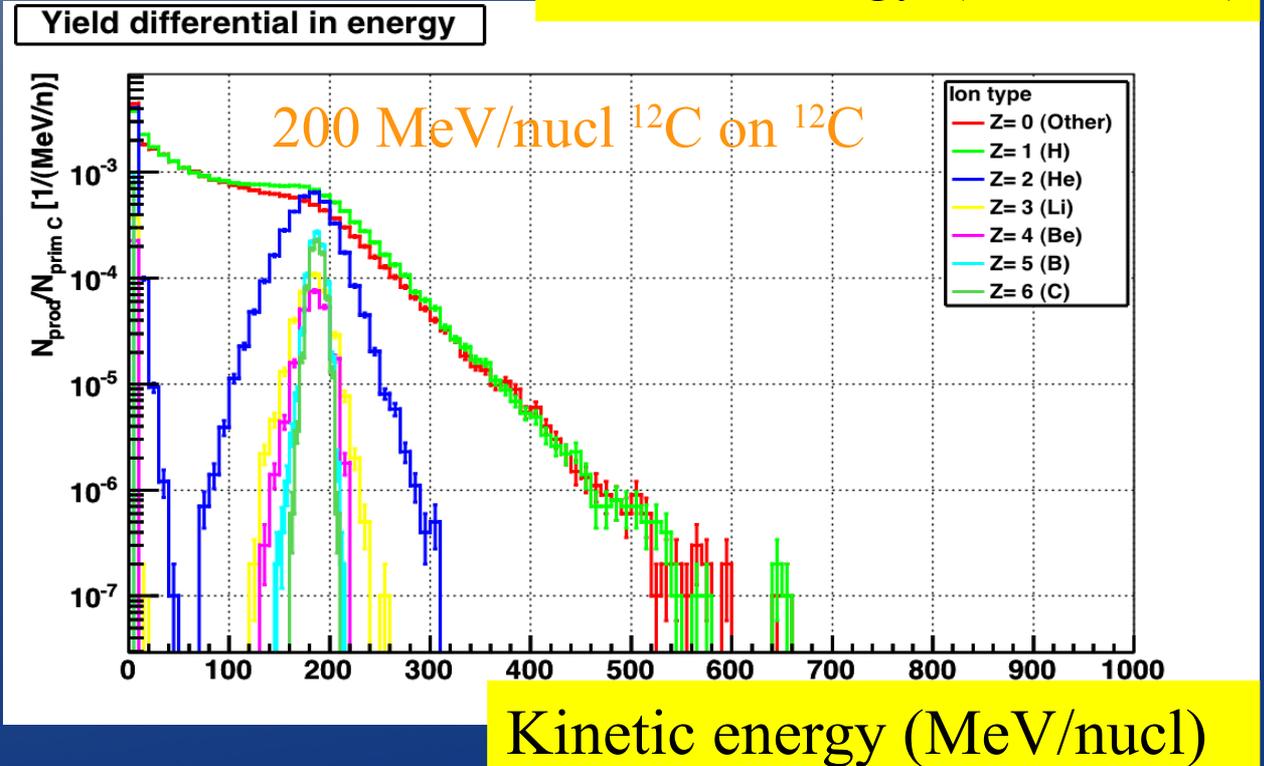
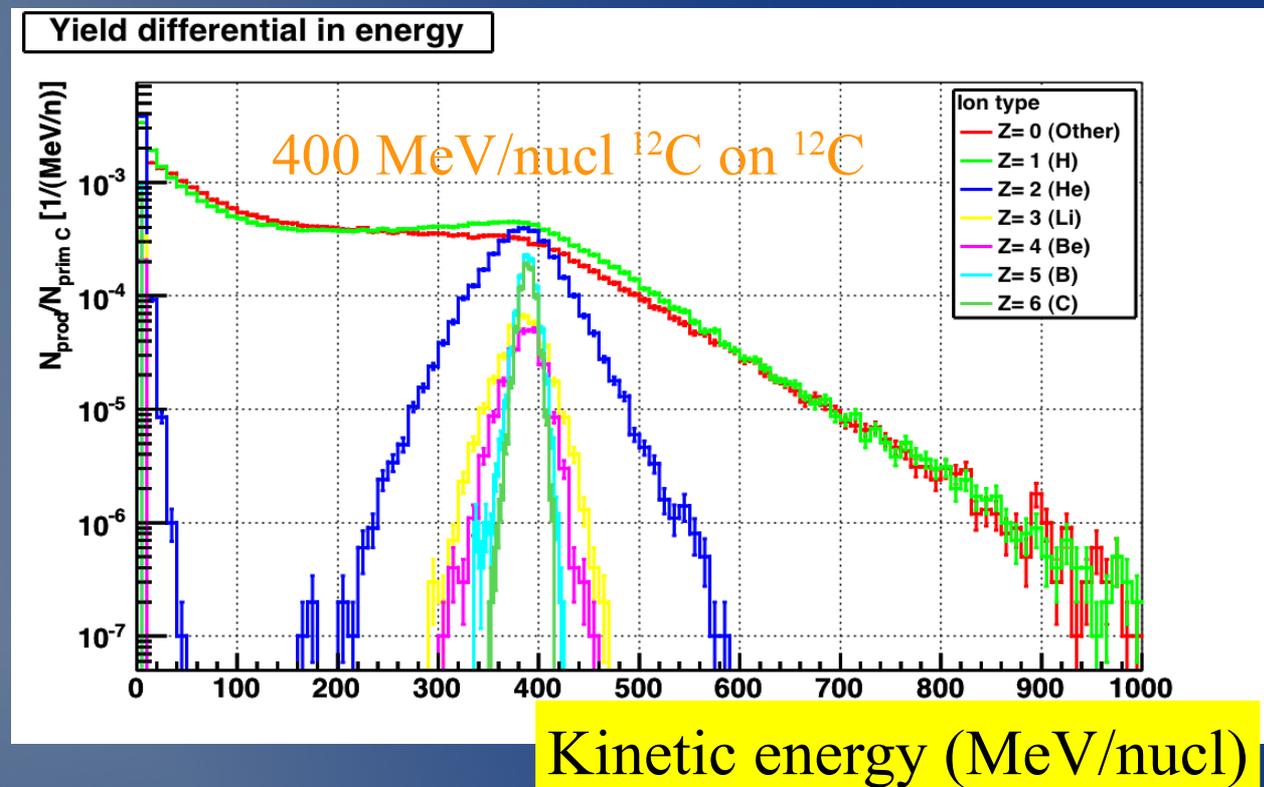
The fragment production are dominated by **Protons and Neutrons**. They are 1 order of magnitude more than the other fragments!!

The events have small multiplicity (total ~ 13, charged ~ 8)



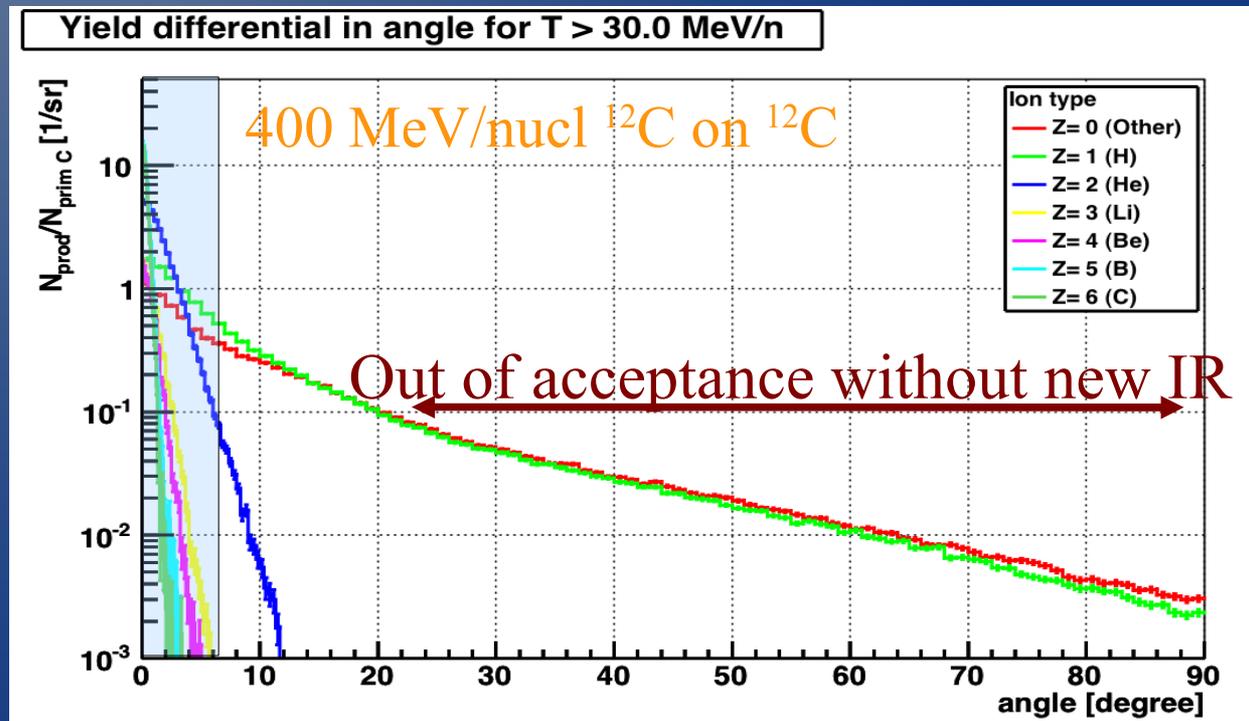
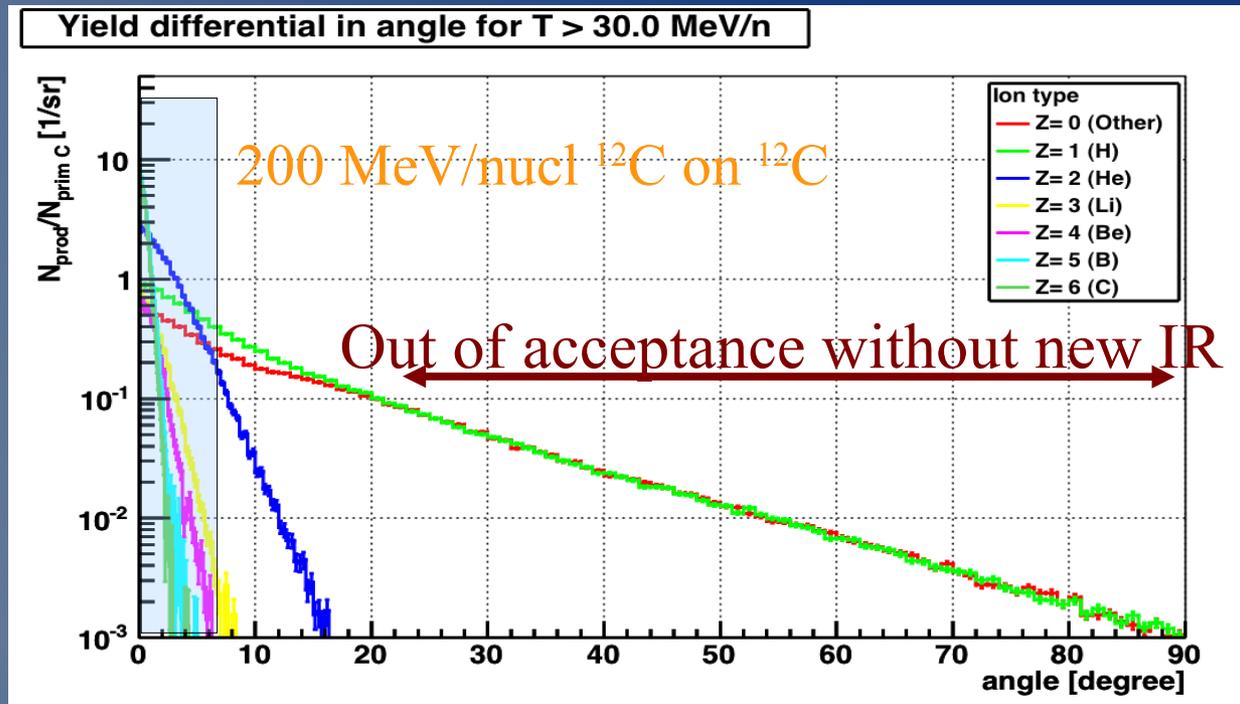
MC: fragment energy

- The $Z > 2$ produced fragments approximately have the same velocity of the C ion projectiles
- The proton have a very wide spectrum with $0 < \beta < 0.6$
- The DE/DX released by the fragment spans from ~ 2 to ~ 100 m.i.p.

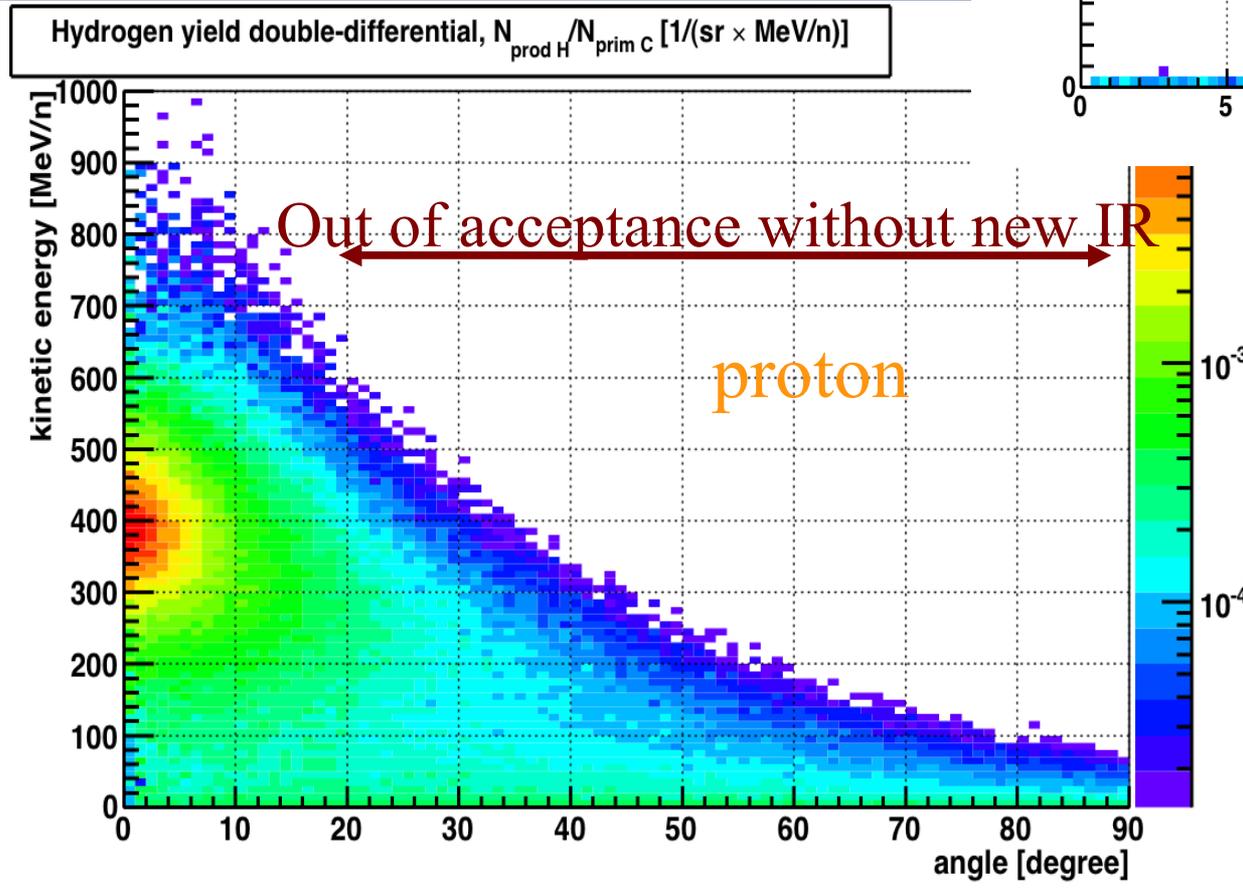
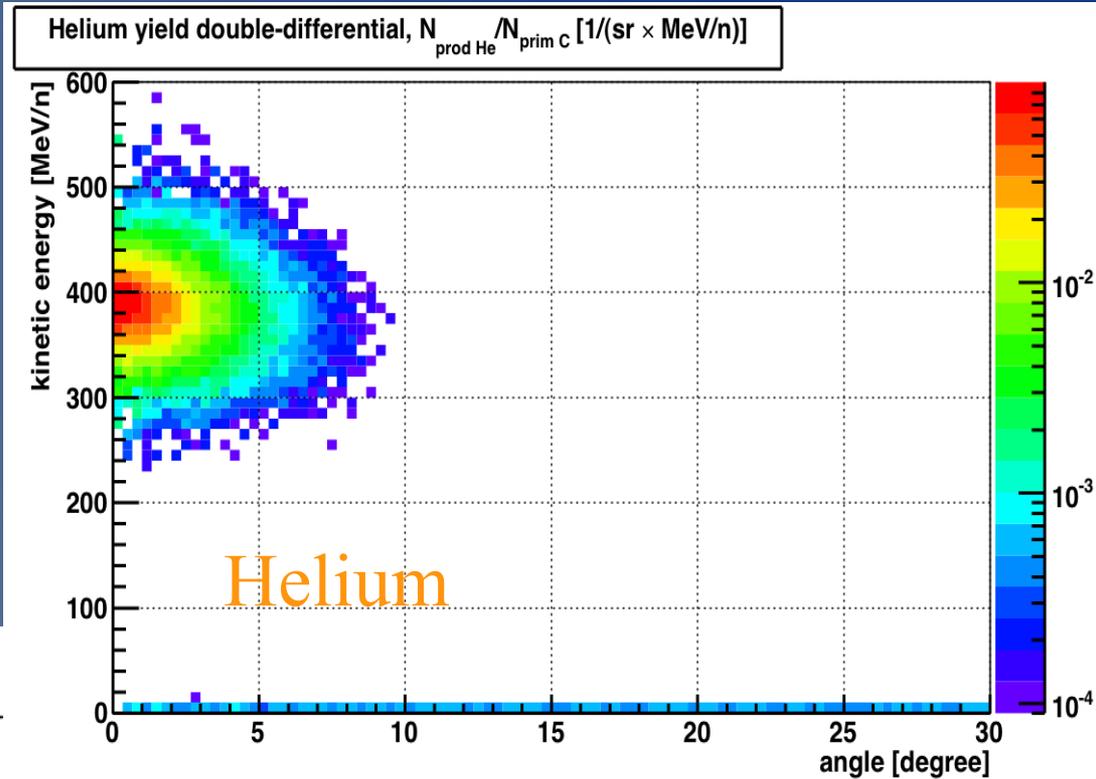


MC: Angular distributions

- The $Z > 2$ fragment are well collimated in the angular acceptance of the ALADIN magnet
- The $Z=2$ fragment can be recovered by the Si Hodoscope
- The protons are emitted mostly at large angle, out of the acceptance of the existing setup → must be recovered by new IR



Produced p and He: angle vs energy

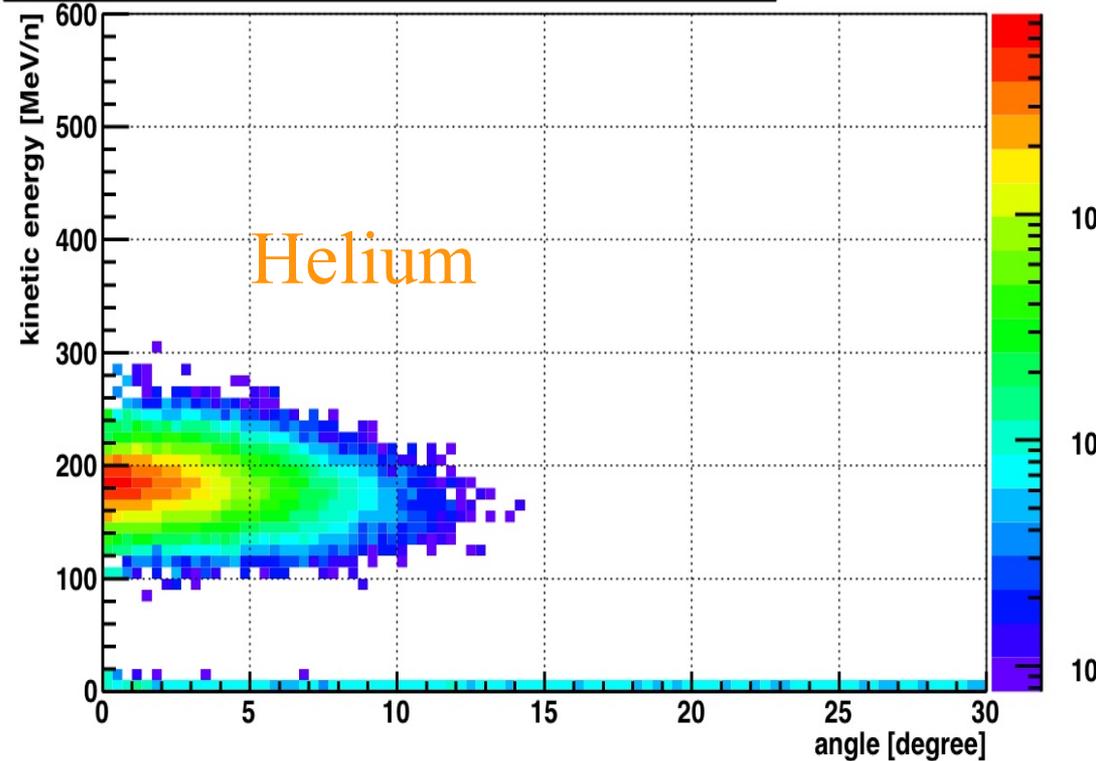


400 MeV/nucl ^{12}C on ^{12}C

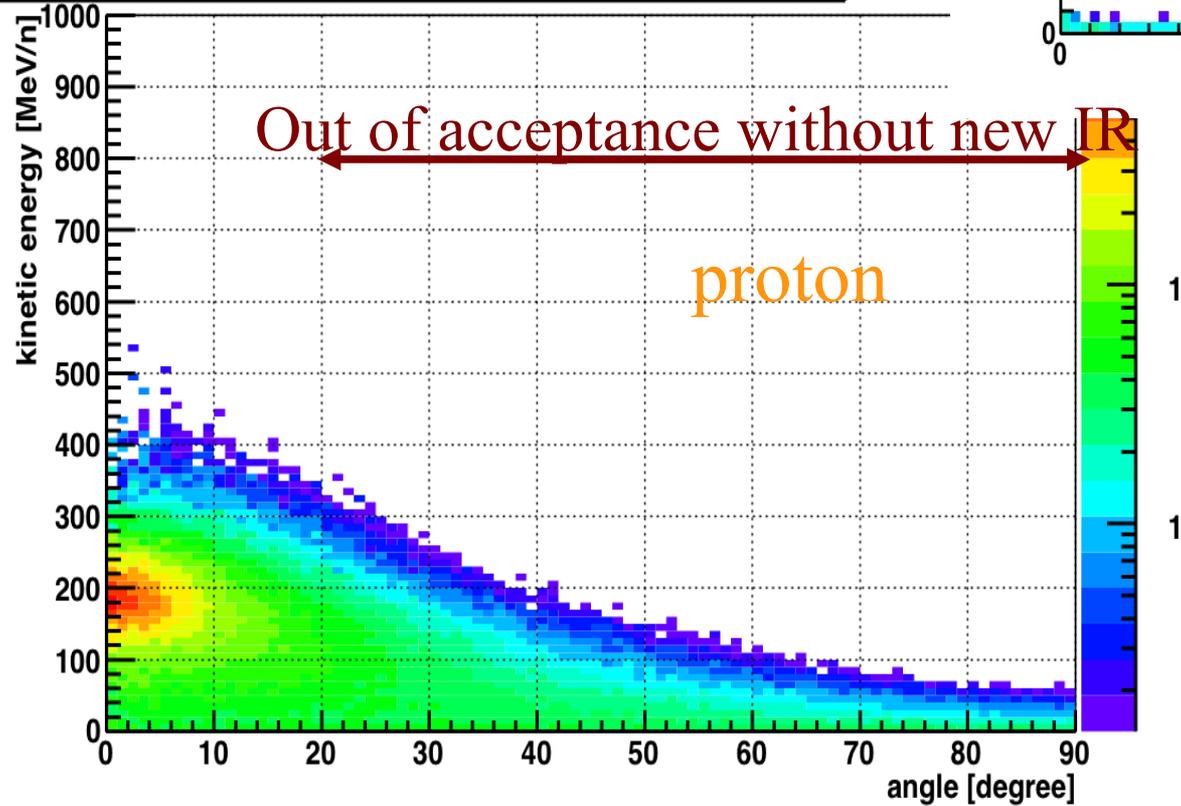
WATCH OUT!! How
much is FLUKA
reliable?

Produced p and He: angle vs energy

Helium yield double-differential, $N_{\text{prod He}}/N_{\text{prim C}} [1/(\text{sr} \times \text{MeV/n})]$



Hydrogen yield double-differential, $N_{\text{prod H}}/N_{\text{prim C}} [1/(\text{sr} \times \text{MeV/n})]$

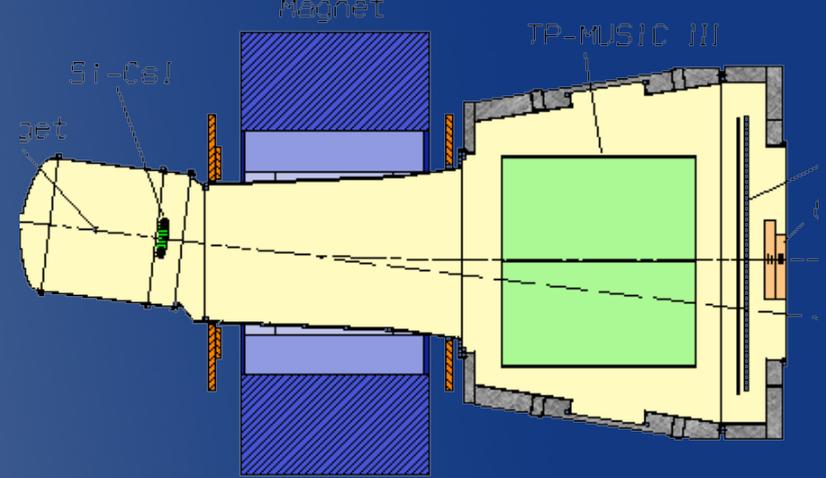


Out of acceptance without new IR

200 MeV/nucleon ^{12}C on ^{12}C

WATCH OUT!! How much is FLUKA reliable?

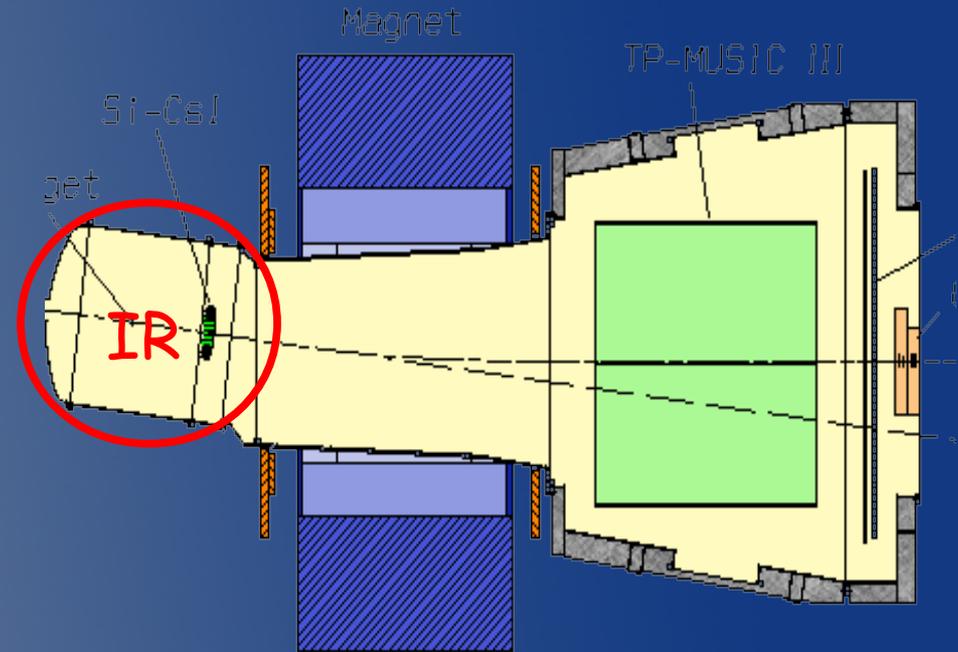
Some other boundary conditions



- Out of target interactions must be kept below \sim per cent level with respect to on target interactions.
- Trigger rate must be \leq kHz due to pile-up in the MUSIC TPC (10% pile-up @4kHz)
- Considering a maximum target thickness of 10 mm, we expect at maximum \sim 10% of interaction probability.
- The beam spot for Carbon projectiles can be \sim 3mm FWHM
- The geometric acceptance of the ALADIN magnet for the produced fragments is \sim 4° in θ and \sim 9° in φ

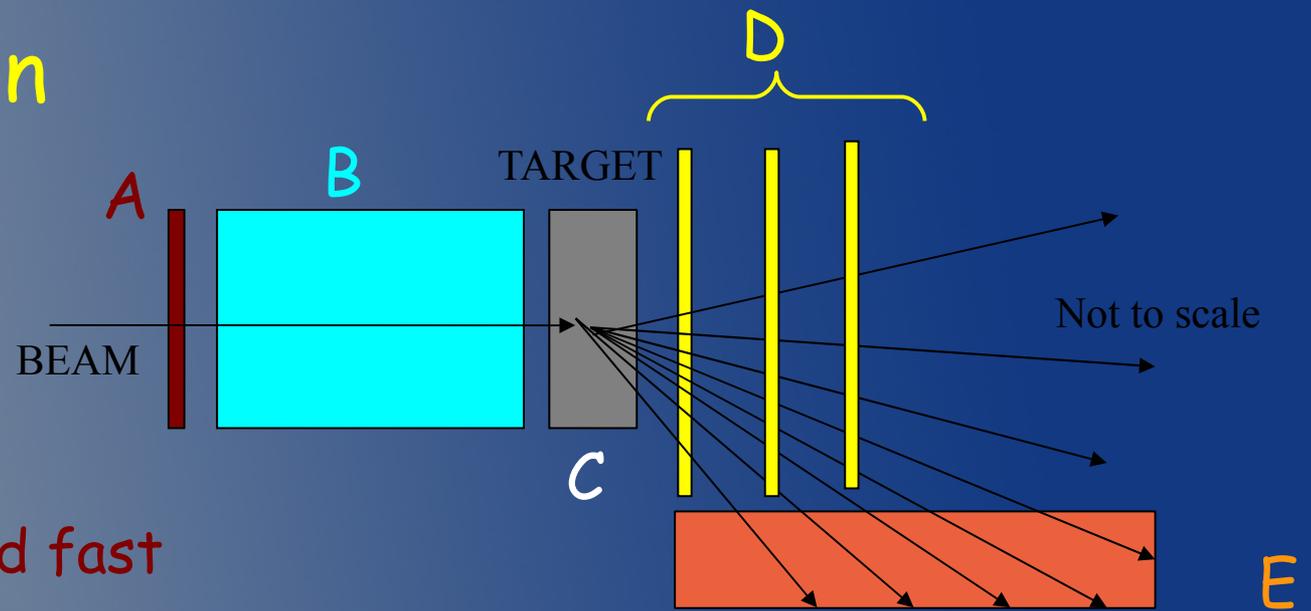
The Interaction Region

Brand new component. All components must operate in vacuum and must have very limited material budget to reduce as much as possible the out of target interactions



- Gives the start to Time Of Flight measurement. Should match the stop (TOF WALL) time resolution ($\sim 200\text{ps}$)
- Measures the beam direction & impact point on target event by event.
- Host the target system. Remotely controlled system that embed different thin ($\sim \text{few mm}$) targets
- Tracks the fragments just downstream of the target.
- Detects the particle escaping from the magnet acceptance

New target region



A) Start counter. Thin and fast scintillation detector. Gives the start to TOF measurement.

B) Beam monitor. Drift chamber that measures the beam impact point on target.

C) Target system. Remotely controlled system that embed different thin (\sim few mm) targets

D) Vertex Si telescope: tracks the fragments just downstream of the target. Measures the emission angle with the requested precision and detects out of target interactions

E) One arm Lead-fiber calorimeter covering wide θ angular region in a narrow φ range (yet to be approved)

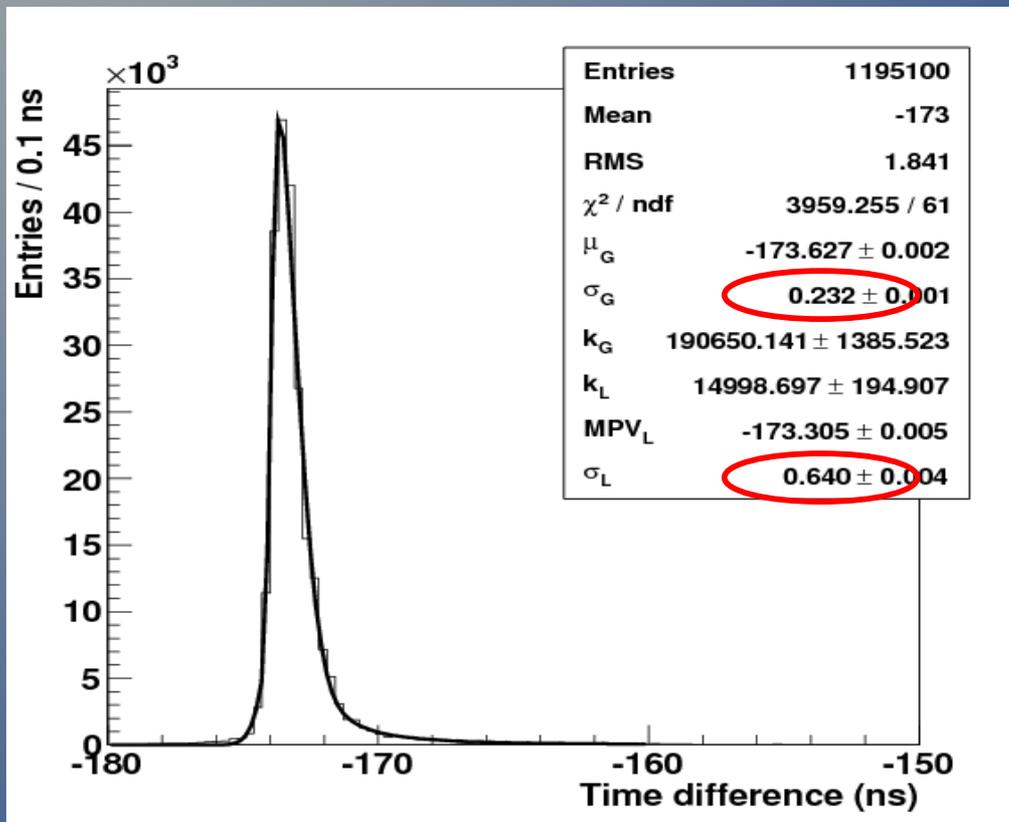
The start counter

Provides the **START** to the TOF measurement and to the **TRIGGER**. "Standard" plastic scintillator but with peculiar features to fulfill the TOF requirements:

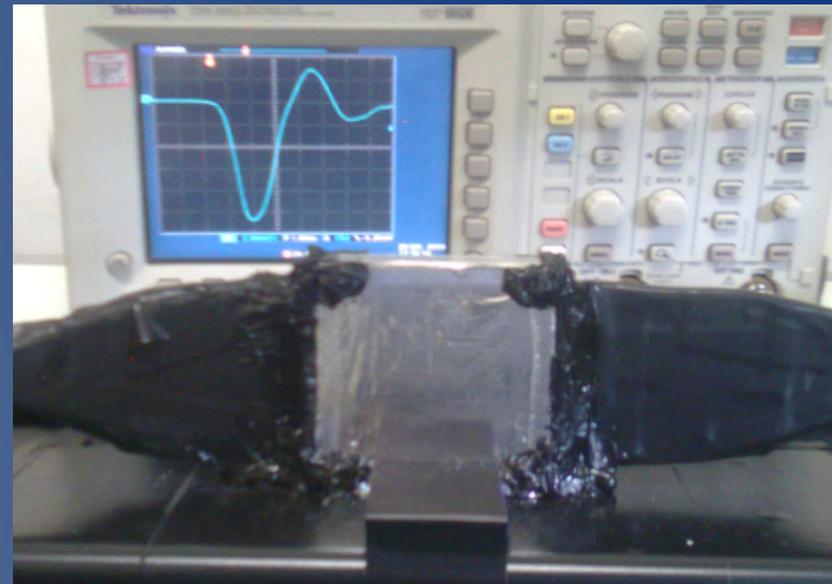
- At most **200 μm** thickness to avoid interactions (**2-3%** of the target thickness)
- Must integrate enough light to have **O(200-300ps)** of time resolution. A ^{12}C @300 MeV releases in 200 μm as much as one mip in 5 mm, Birks saturation included.

Prototype with fiber built and tested @ 62MeV/nucl carbon beam in LNS. No cosmic, β sources or X sources can be used to test it in lab, only α particle

Timing performances



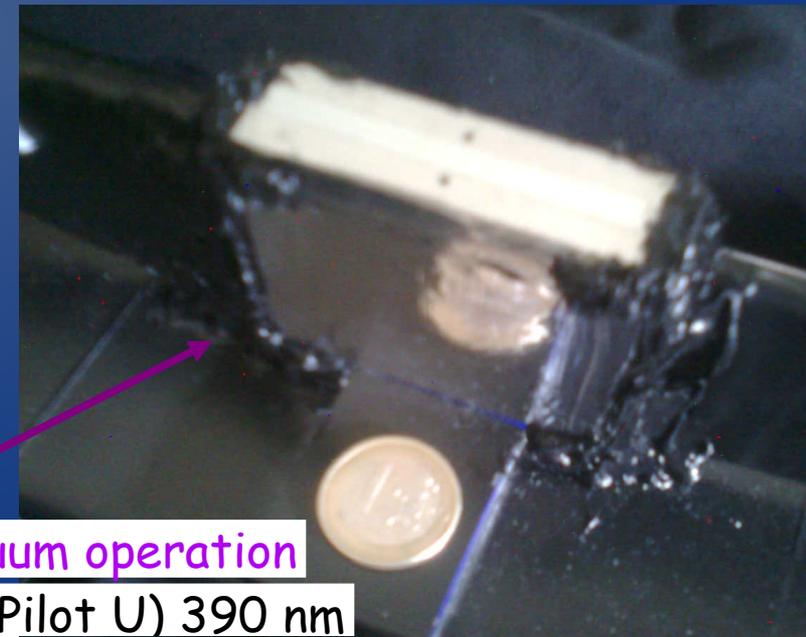
short signals: 5 mV vs 1 ns



~300 ps sigma with large tails → bad S/N (10 mV/5 mV r.m.s) due to grounding and small amplitude

Fast ($\sim 250\text{ps}/\sqrt{\text{p.e.}}$) and high q.e. ($\sim 40\%$) brand new Hamamatsu photomultipliers H10721-210

Wrapped with thin aluminum-mylar envelope → $2 \times 2,1\mu\text{m}$ aluminized mylar windows



Ready for vacuum operation

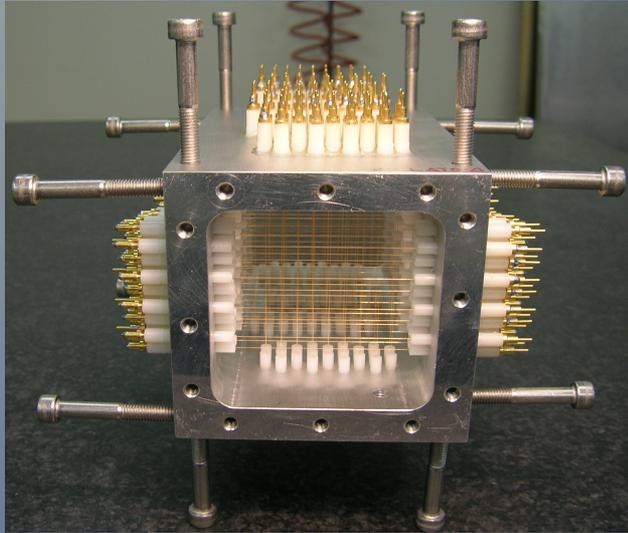
100 μm EJ228 (Pilot U) 390 nm

The Beam Monitor

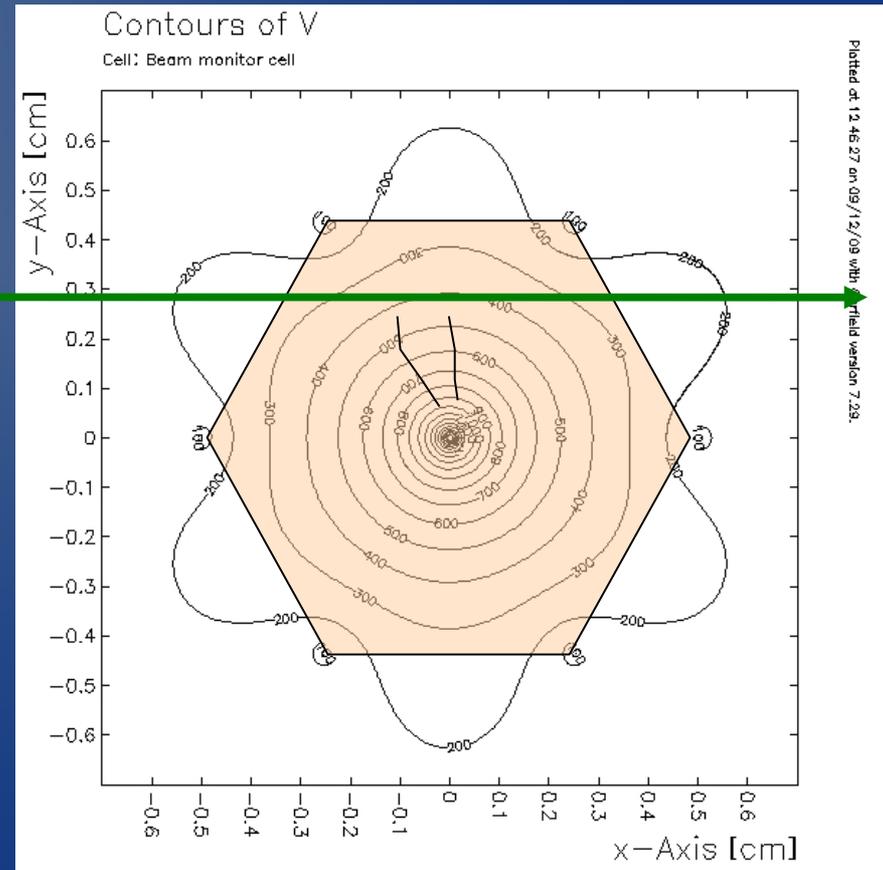
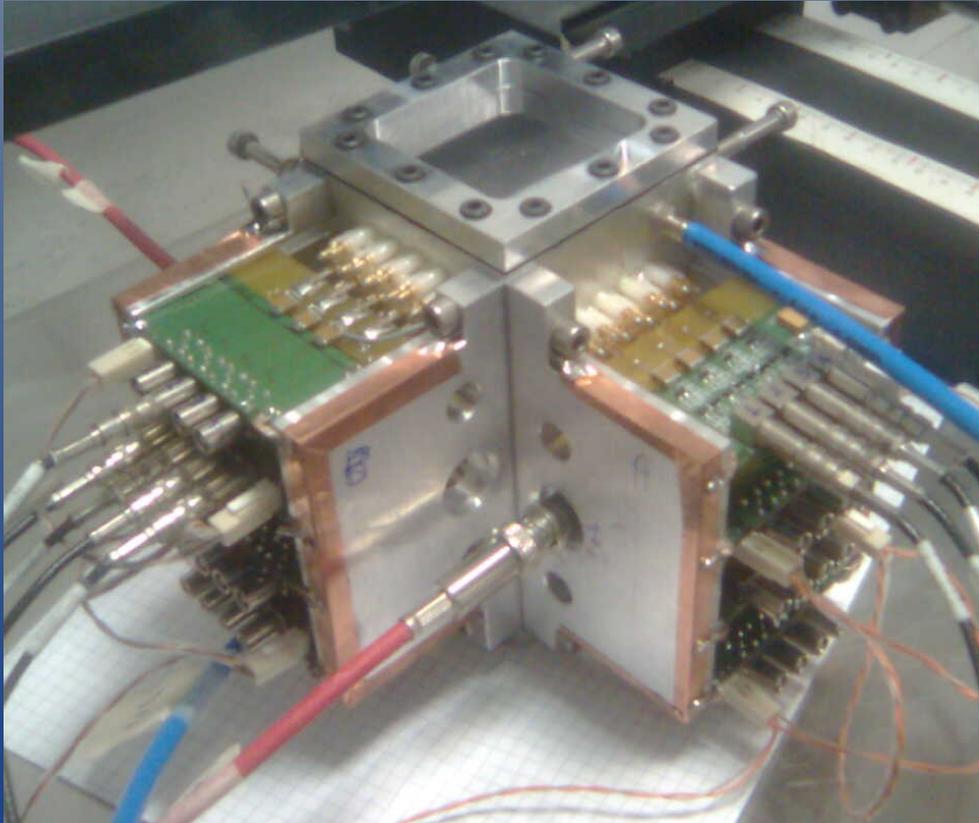
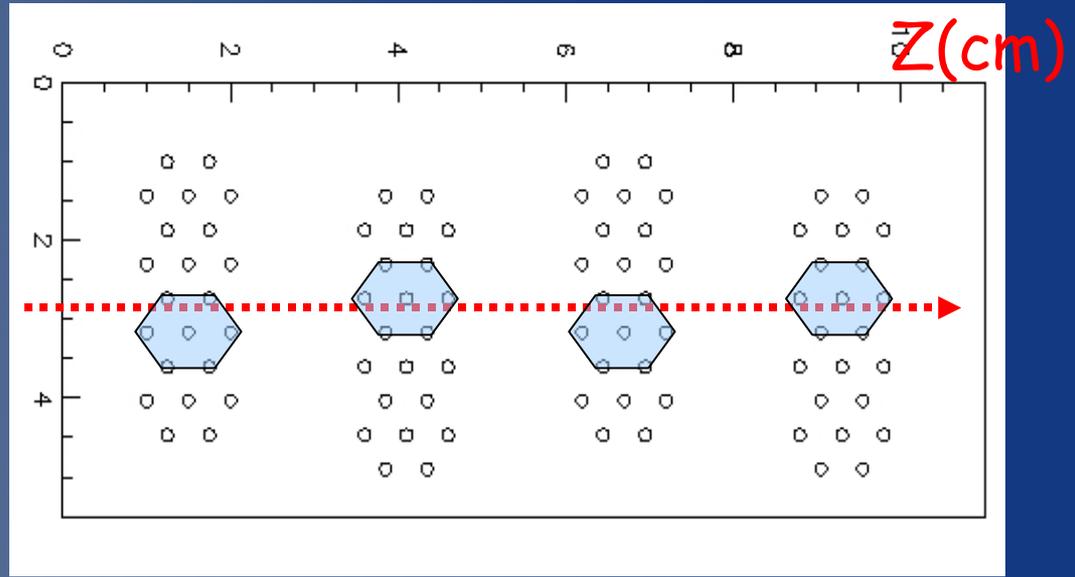
TRacks the carbon beam. Gives the **impact point on target** and the **primary carbon direction**: crucial to spot out of target interaction and to recover events with double primary carbons. **Tested at LNS 62MeV/nucleon ^{12}C beam**

- Drift chamber with hexagonal shape cells
- 4 planes in the y and x direction
- Wire thickness: 90 μm field - 30 μm sense
- O(100 μm) single hit resolution with mip → O(100-50 μm) impact point resolution on target with ^{12}C
- Operation with carbon @ 300MeV/nucleon? Proportional vs quasi-proportional?
- Target mixture: P10 (Ar-Ethane) but can operate both with Ar-CO₂ (safety!)

The Beam monitor



X(cm)



Beam Monitor @ 62MeV/nucleon ^{12}C beam

Beam Dump

$\chi^2_{\text{after}} = 1.831$

Plane 3

10

92

Plane 2

86

17

Plane 1

44

157

Plane 0

23

7

Start Counter 2

Beam

Beam Dump

$\chi^2_{\text{after}} = 4.887$

Plane 3

3

5

Plane 2

147

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Plane 1

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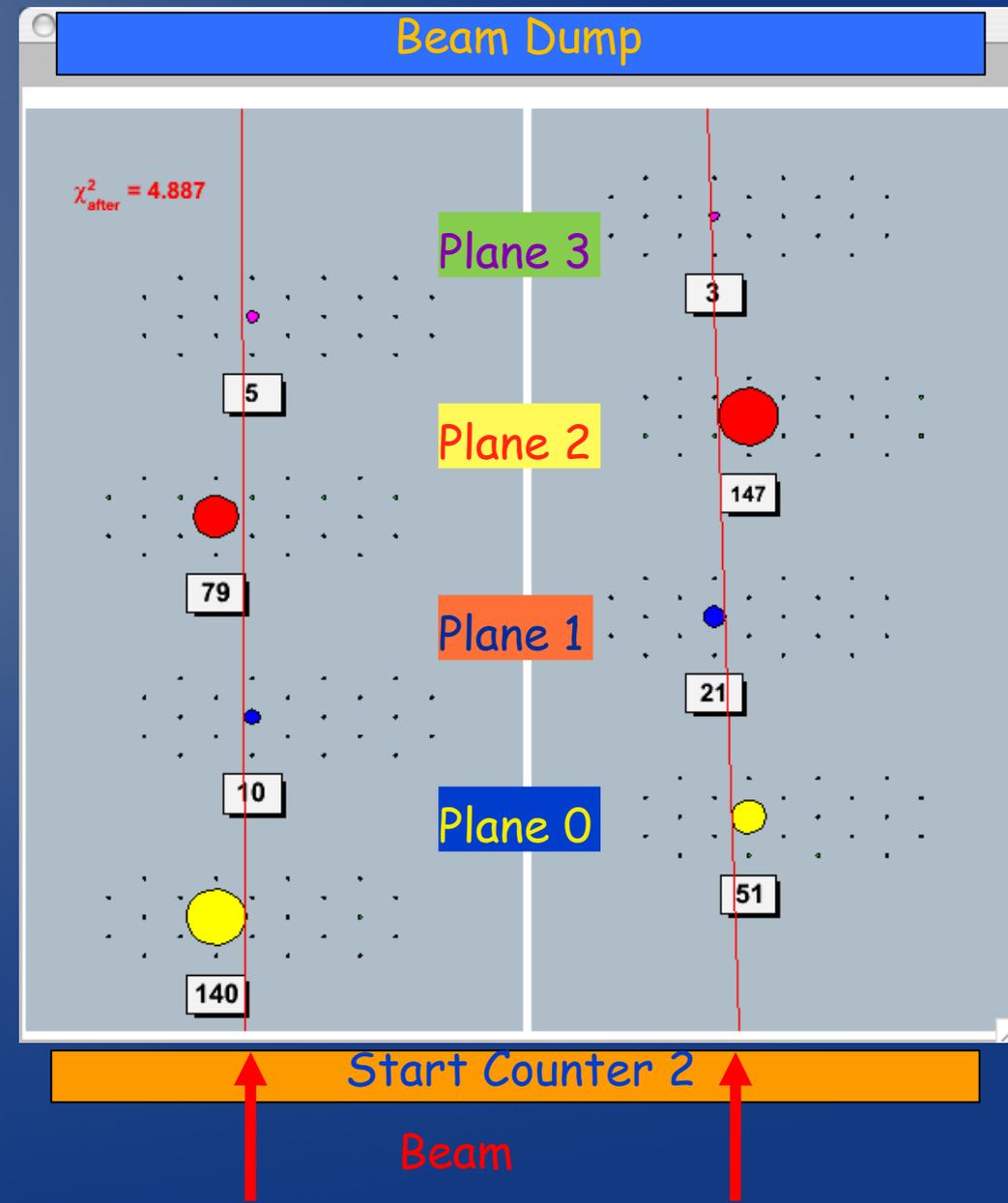
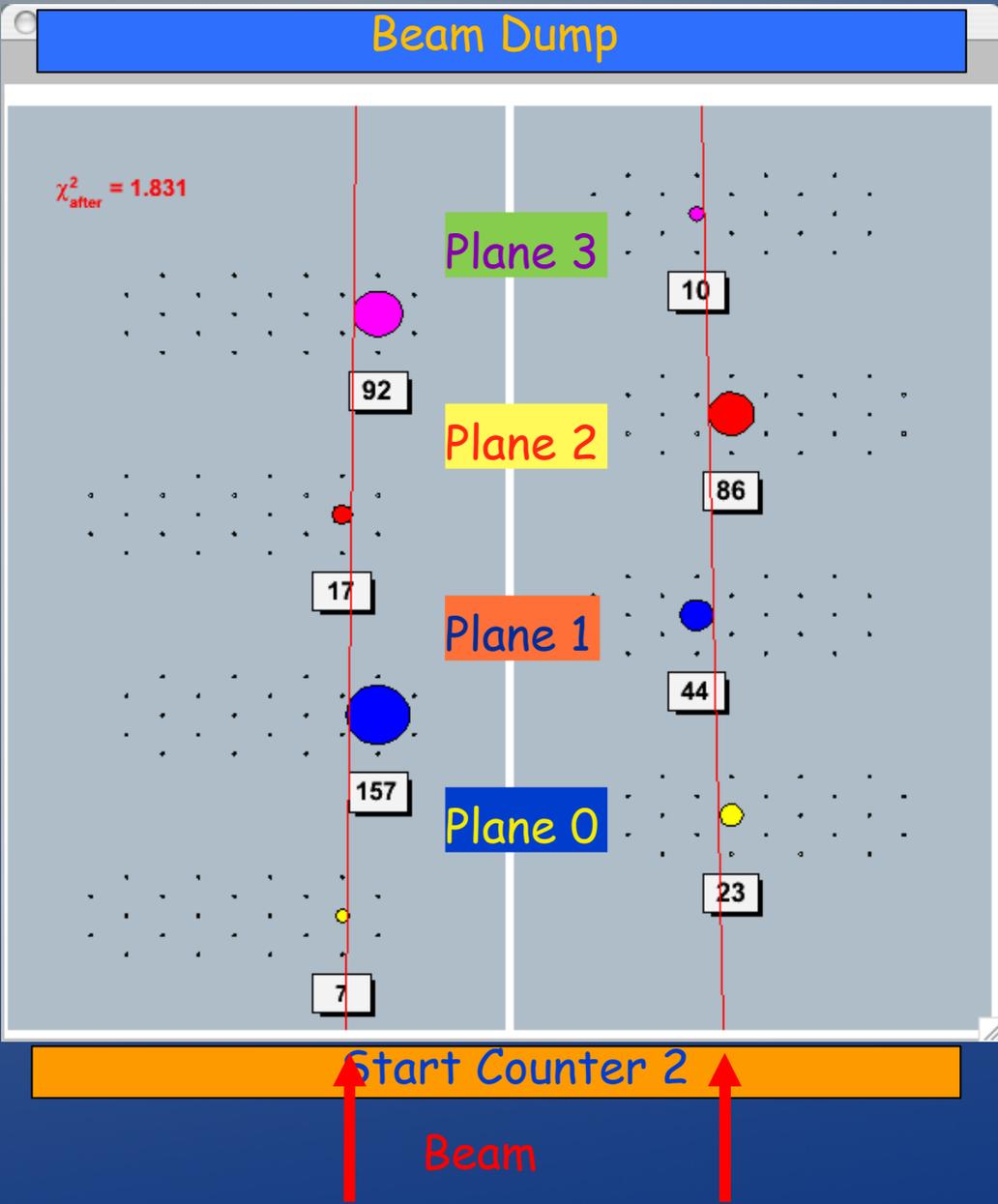
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Start Counter 2

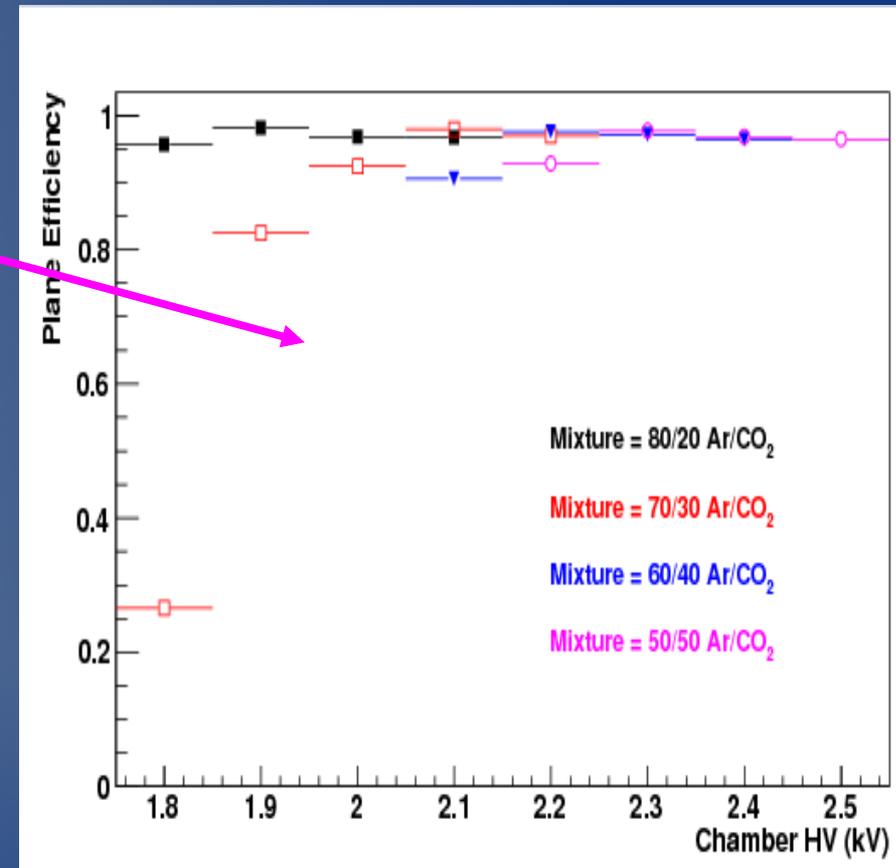
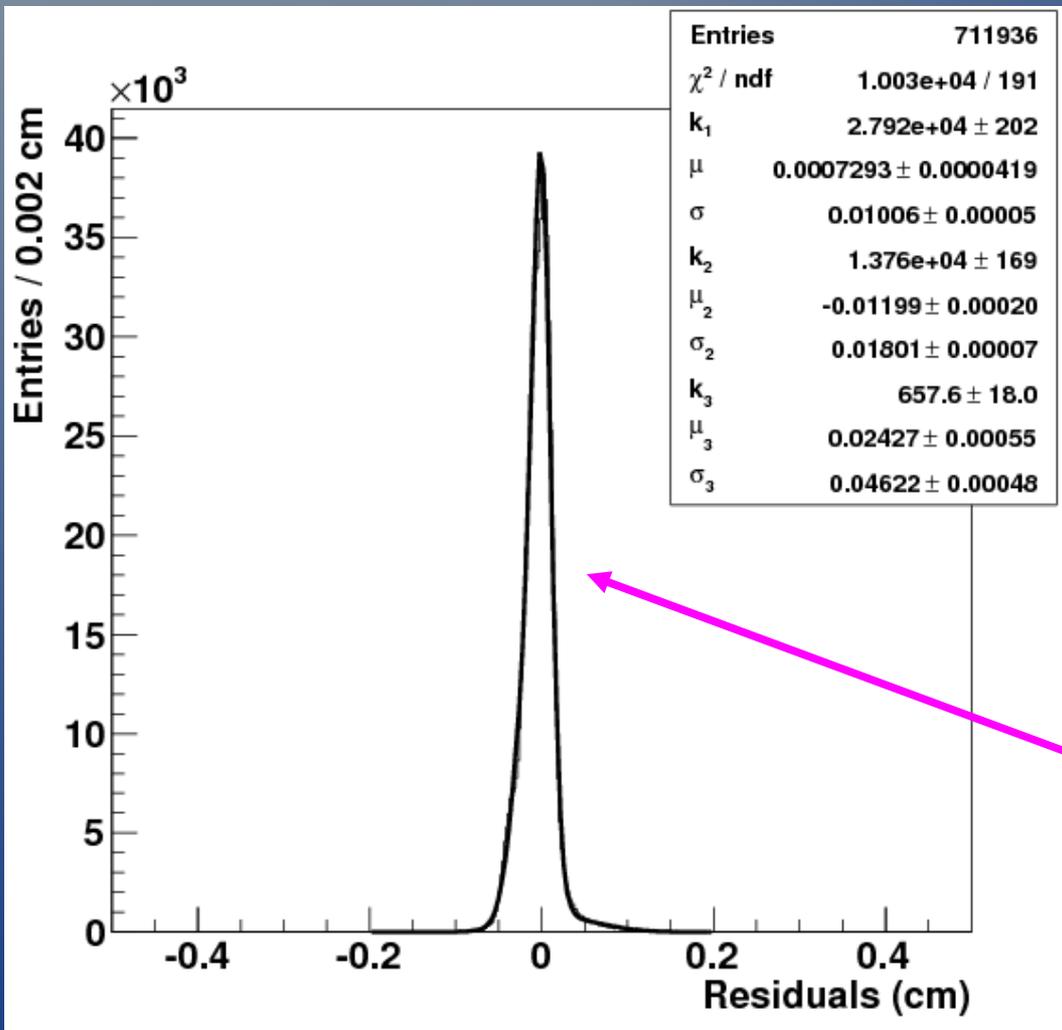
Beam



B.M. Resolution & Efficiency

preliminary

Fair efficiency (~ 95-96%) obtained with Ar-CO₂ mixture. P10 mixture (default for exp.) should be even better



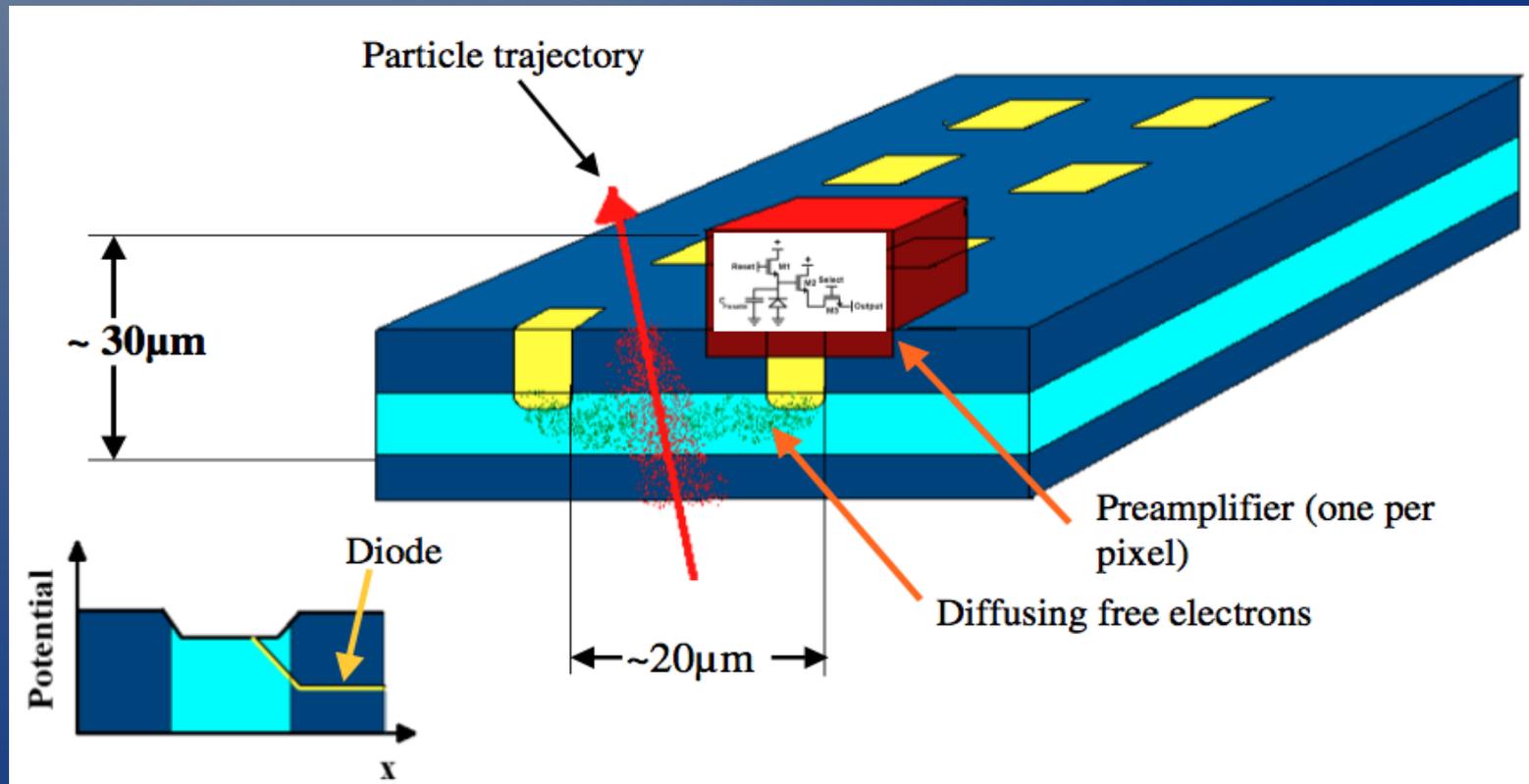
Spatial resolution of right order of magnitude $O(100-200) \mu\text{m}$ is obtained (no R-T correction, no precise wire positioning, poor gas mixture knowledge)

Constraints on vertex detector

- ✓ The Carbon beam spot has a FWHM = 3mm → The active size must be at least in the range of cm²
- ✓ The angular acceptance must be as large as possible to track the protons emitted at large angles (>40°)
- ✓ The angular resolution on track must be ~ 0.3 deg to match the requirement for the therapy (1 CT voxel resolution after 15 cm of path) and to spot if the fragmentation vertex is outside the target
- ✓ Dynamic range should deal with signals ranging from 2 to 100 m.i.p. with good efficiency (>98-97%)
- ✓ If we consider 3 station then thickness must be less than 100 μm for each station, accounting for some % of the target thickness (N.B. Carbon interaction in vertex cannot be detected → directly contribute to systematic!!)

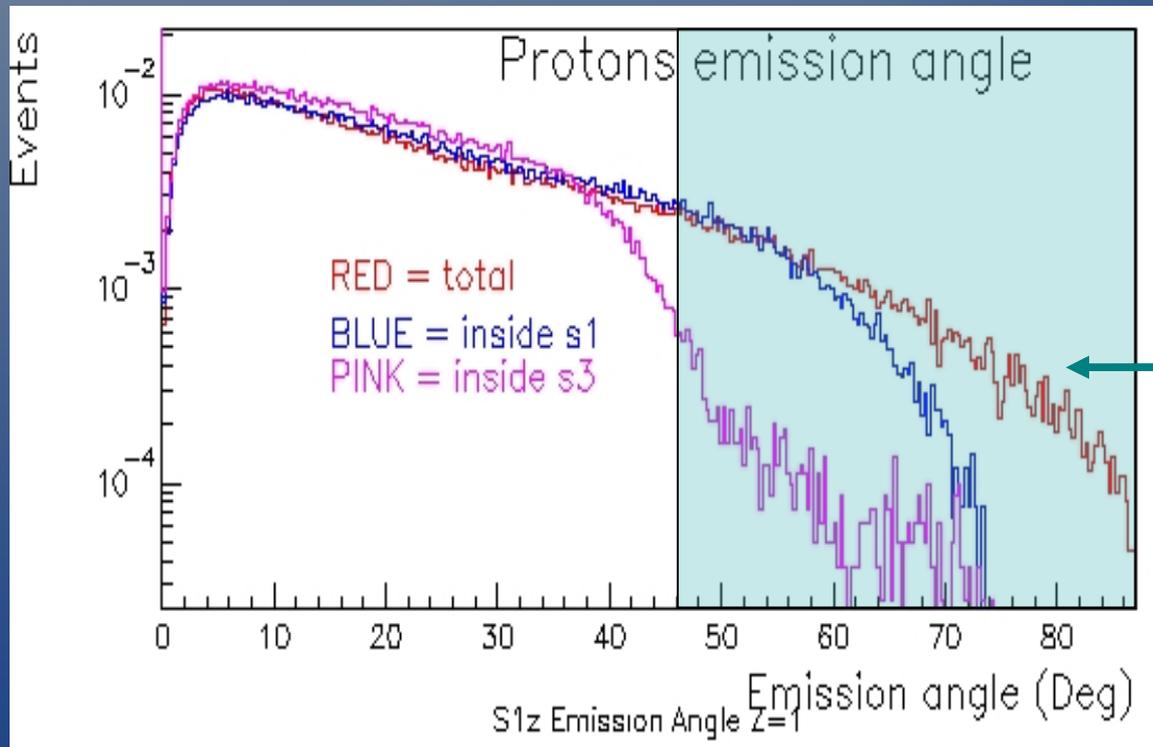
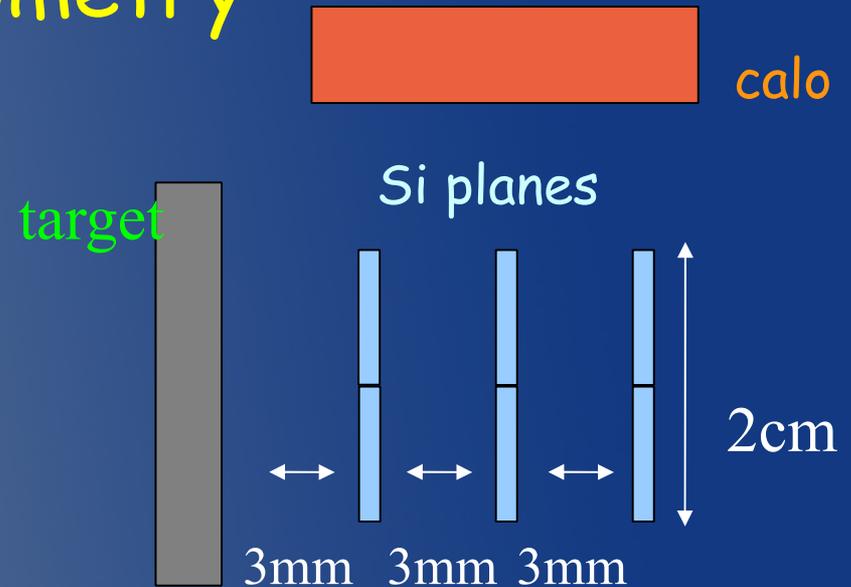
The MIMOSA26 detector

- Active surface :1152 columns of 576 pixels (21.2x10.6mm²)
- Pitch: 18.4 μm \rightarrow 0.7 Mpixel $\rightarrow \sigma_{sp} \sim 5\mu\text{m}$
- Digital readout at 10 KHz rate
- On chip electronic to process the signal in few μm layer
- Zero suppression on board
- Can be thinned at 50-60 μm



Vertex detector : setup geometry

The shown setup, (6 MAPS in 3 planes) could give large angular acceptance and 0.4° angular resolution even with clusters of pixels detected with $50\ \mu\text{m}$ spatial resolution



Only $\sim 15\%$ of the proton angular distribution is out of acceptance of the Vertex (3 planes). Only few % asking 1 plane + calorimeter
Proton energy coarsely measured by the lead-fiber calorimeter

MIMOSA26: response to light ions

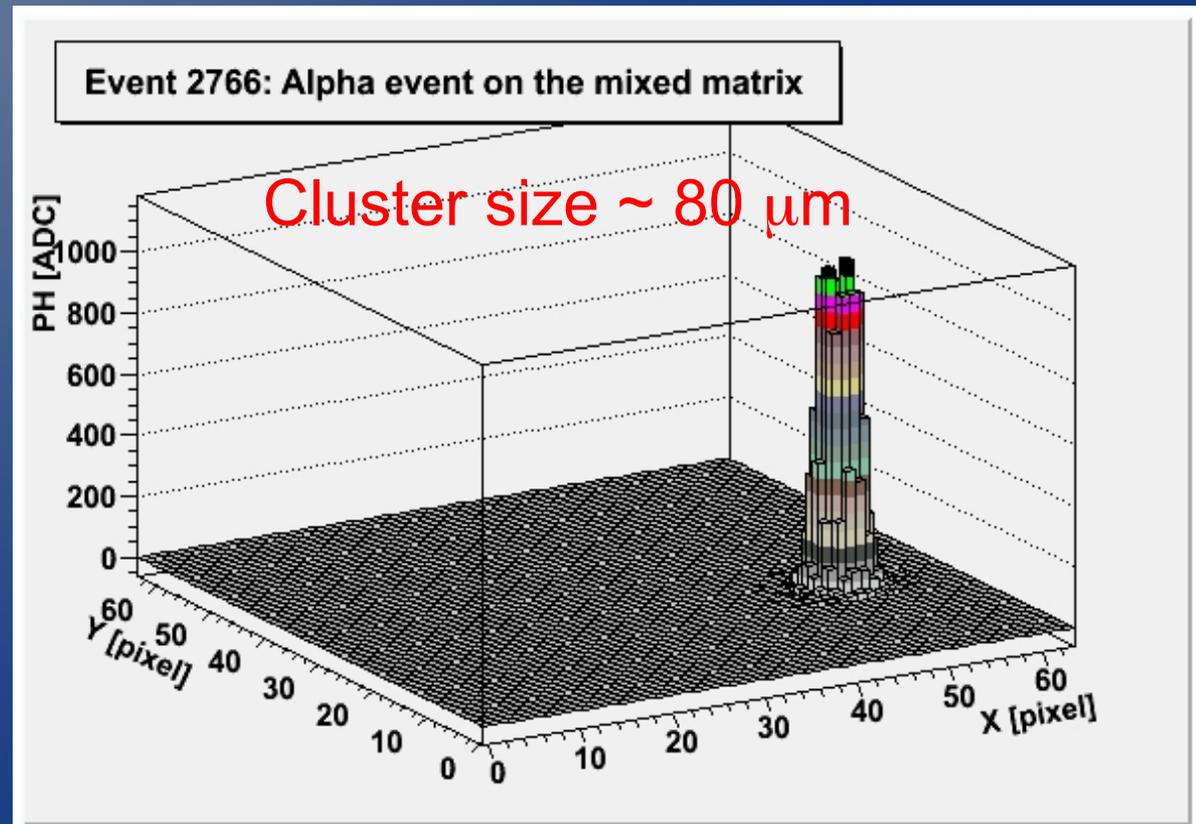
The MIMOSA chip shows a correlation between the energy deposit and the cluster size: can **improve ion identification**.

Response to light ions (cluster size, eff,...) foreseen to be studied at LNS ^{12}C beam

Can be tested also with α from Am241 source but...

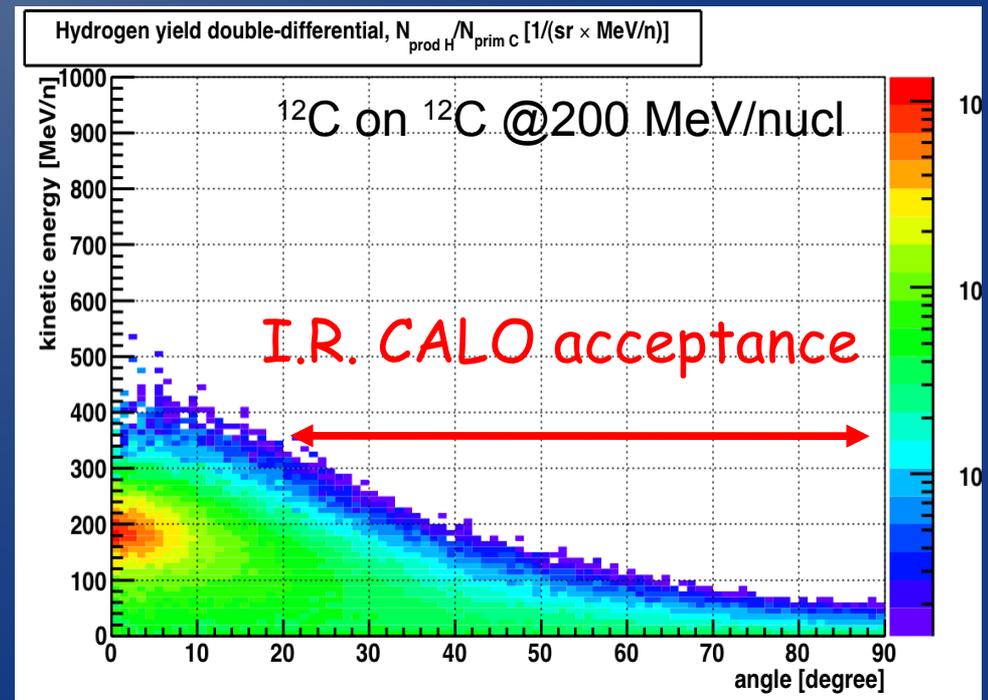
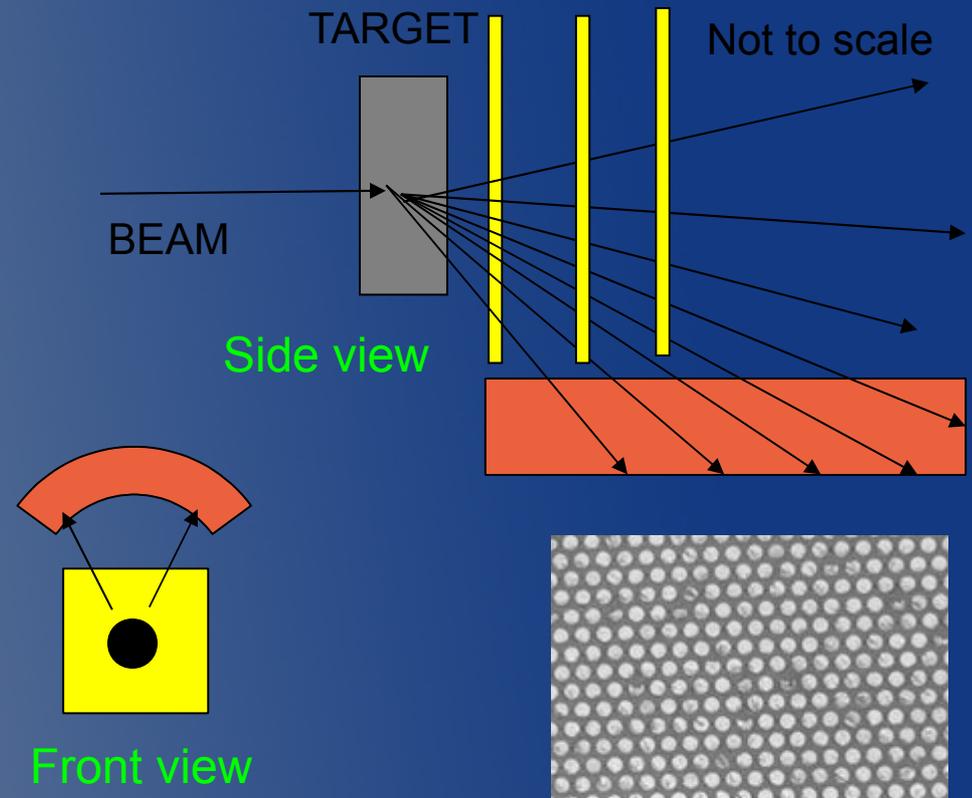
Energy release by Am241 is larger than by 200 MeV/nucl carbon \rightarrow carbon has smaller cluster size

Am241 event in MIMOROMA, same MAPS technology of MIMOSA26



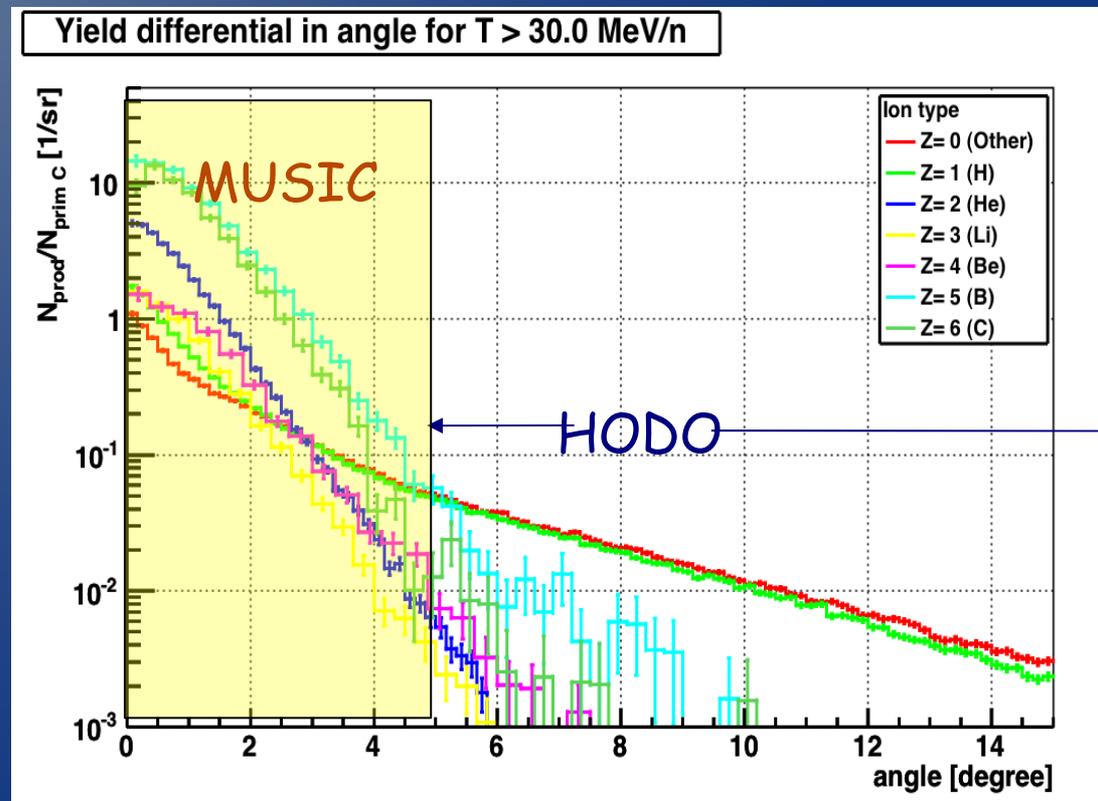
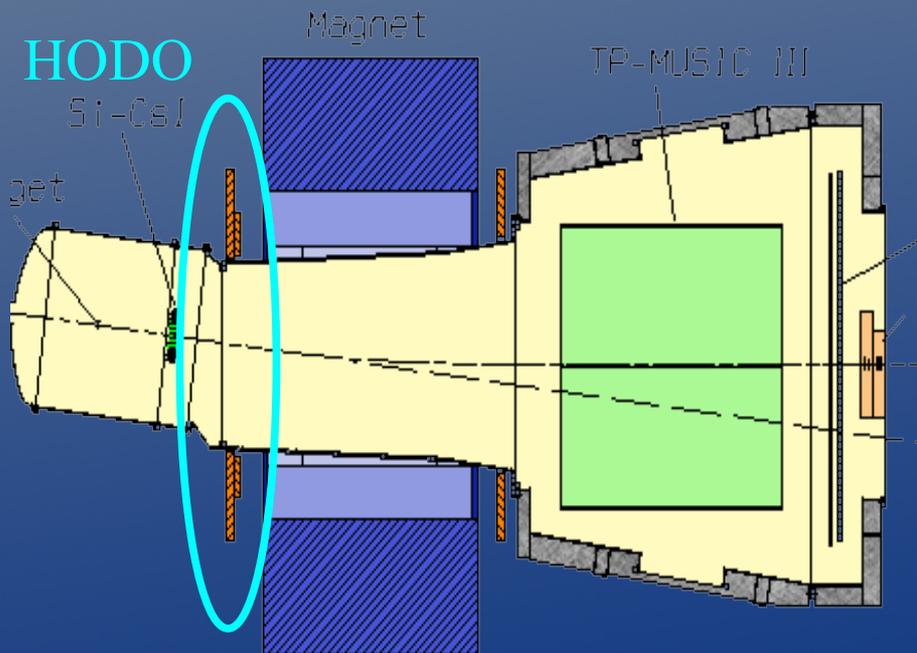
I.R. Calorimeter

- Needed to detect the large angle fragment escaping from the HODO and ALADIN acceptance (mainly protons)
- Yet to be approved, but INFN institution already at work
- A possibility would be a lead-fiber calorimeter with reduced aperture in φ to save FEE (and MONEY!)
- Proton-deuteron-tritium ID possible by TOF
- Coarse tracking and sufficient Energy resolution for low energy proton



The Large angle Hodoscope

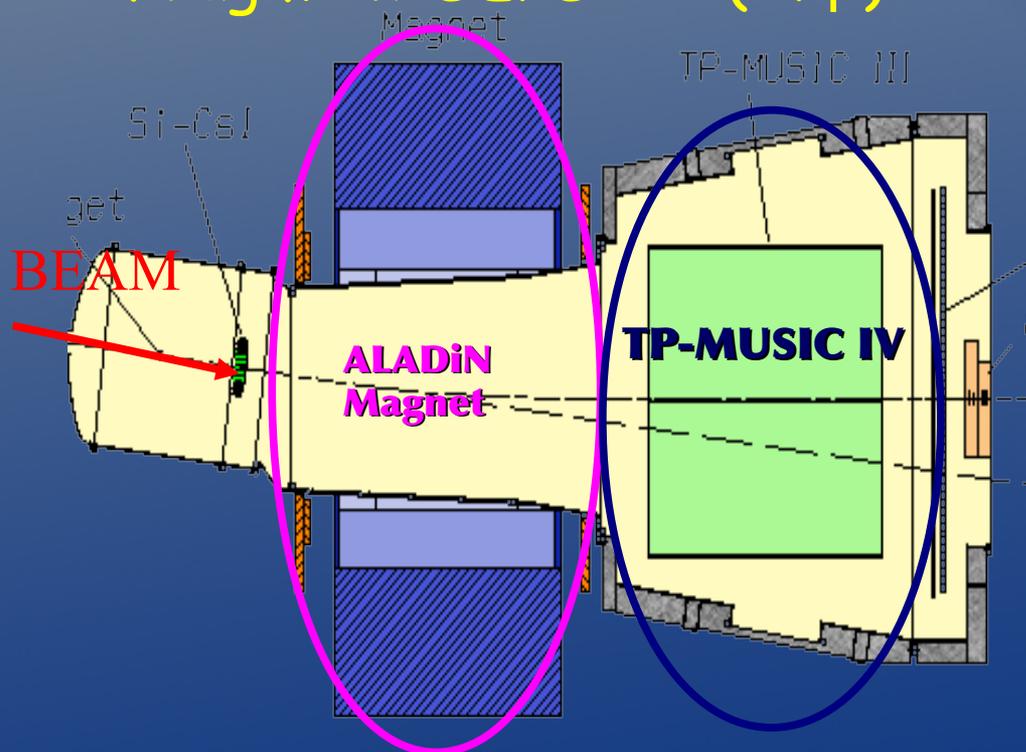
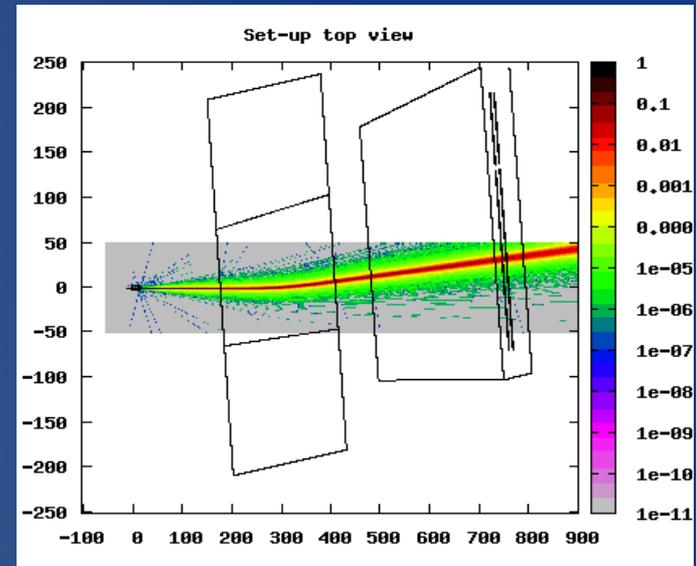
- 89 three-fold telescopes 50 μm + 300 μm Silicon detectors both having 3x3 cm^2 surface followed by a 6 cm long CsI(Tl) of the same surface.
- Acceptance θ_{lab} between $\pm 4.5^\circ$ and $\pm 20^\circ$, tracks not entering in MUSIC, mainly p & He
- Measure dE/dx , E , θ , φ



The Downstream Tracking: Aladin + Music

Downstream the IR we have **Aladin**, a large area dipole magnet, coupled with the large volume **MUSIC IV** TPC. The combination provides info on:

- Fragment tracks after bending $\rightarrow R=p/(ZeB)$
- Fragment $DE/Dx \rightarrow (Z/\beta)^2$



Large dynamic range needed (2-100 m.i.p signal)

Maximum track rate due to long drift time ($\sim 100 \mu s$) of ionization electrons: $O(1-2 \text{ KHz})$

Full geometrical acceptance for frags $Z > 2$, fair for He, poor for protons

The TP-MUSIC IV

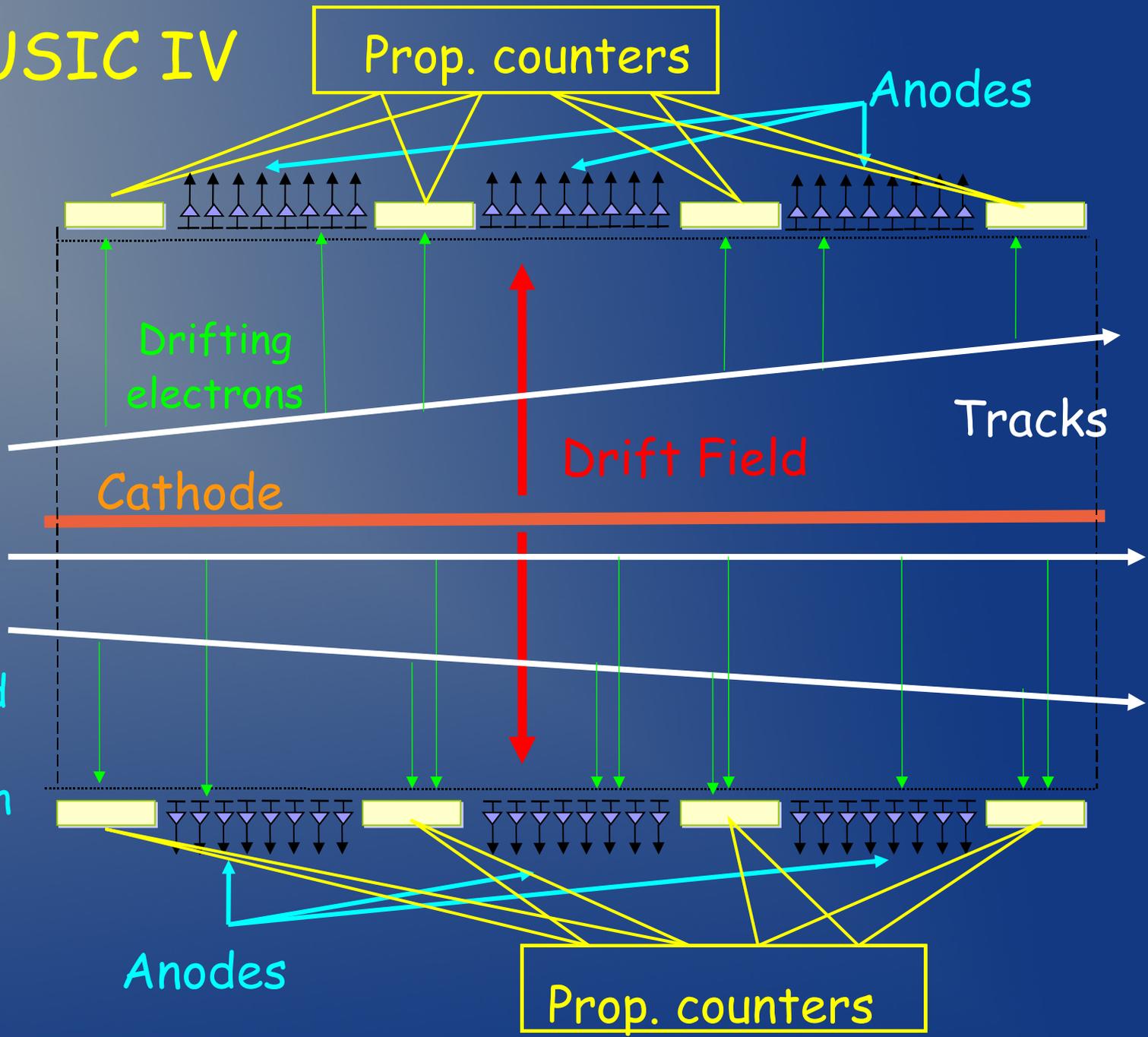
48 Ionization chamber layers

8 proportional chamber layers

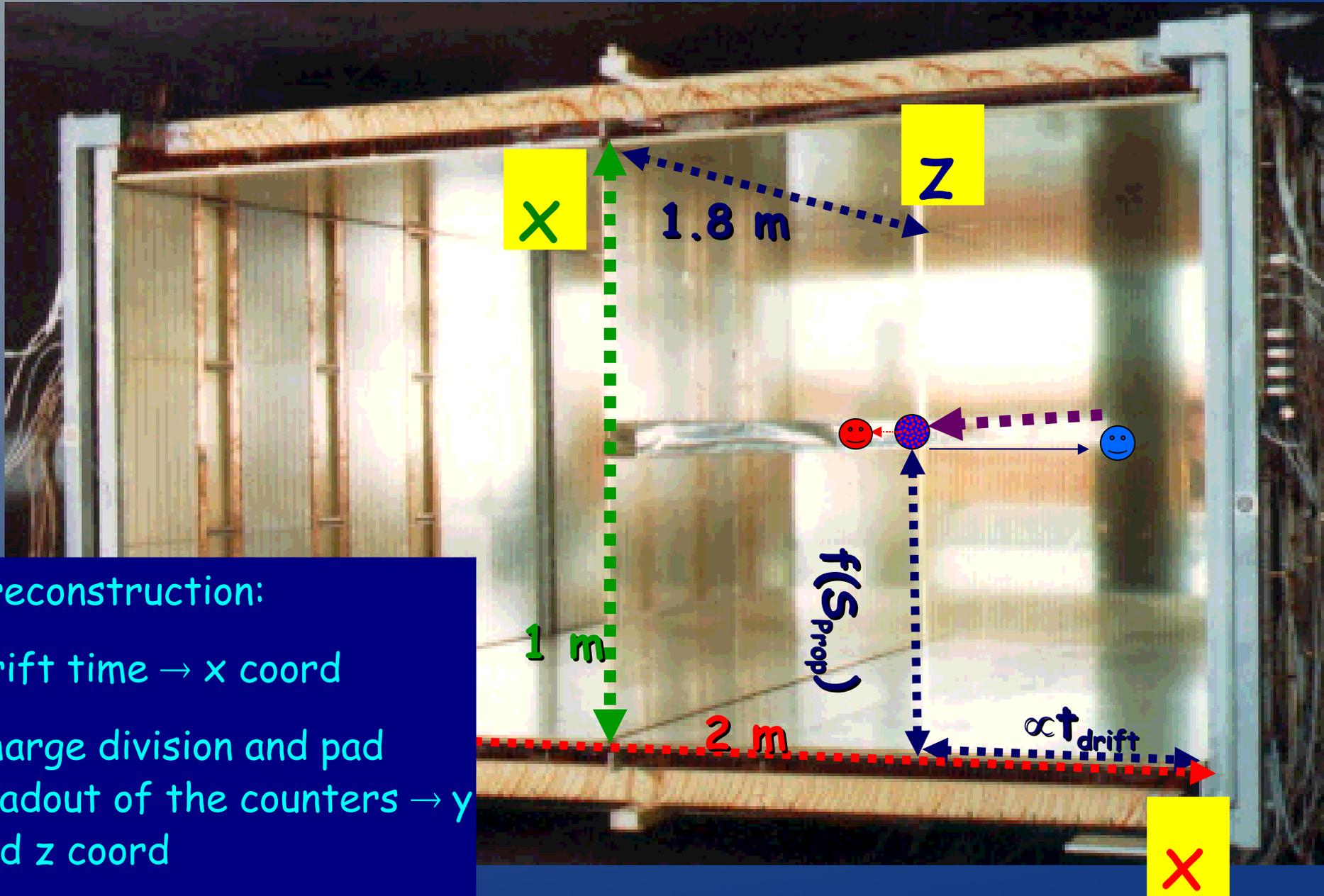
Time and charges of the counters registered

Prop counters read by pads to detect transverse position

Digital processing of the signal



The TPC-MUSIC IV



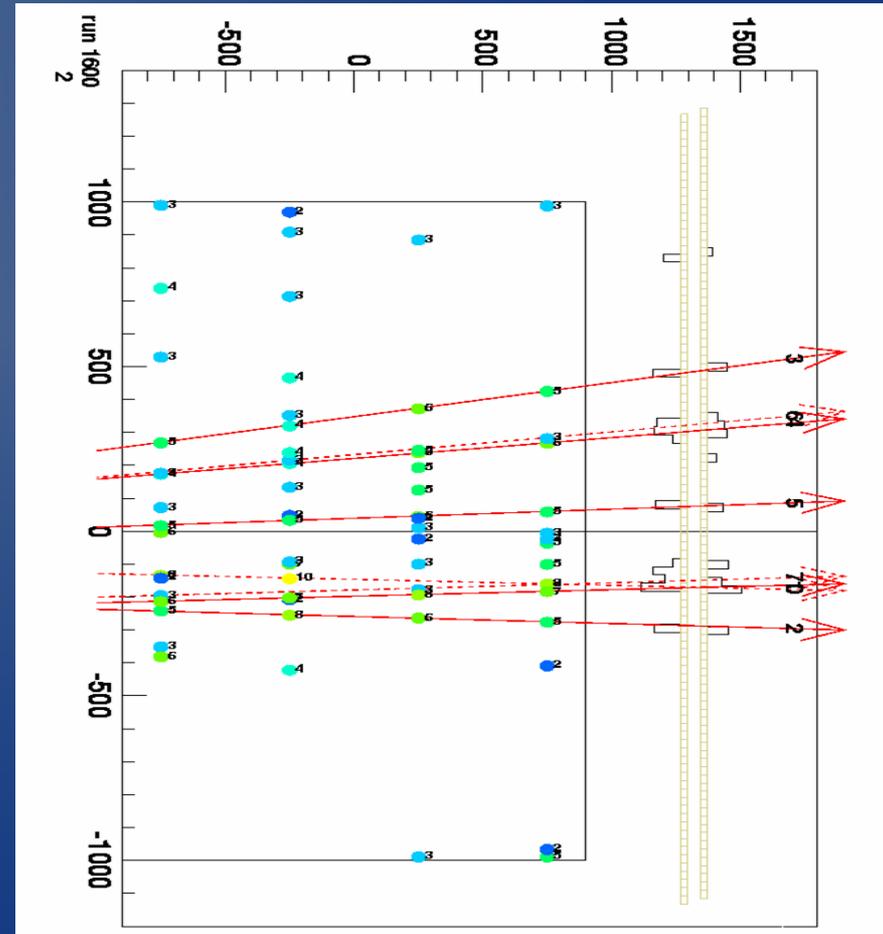
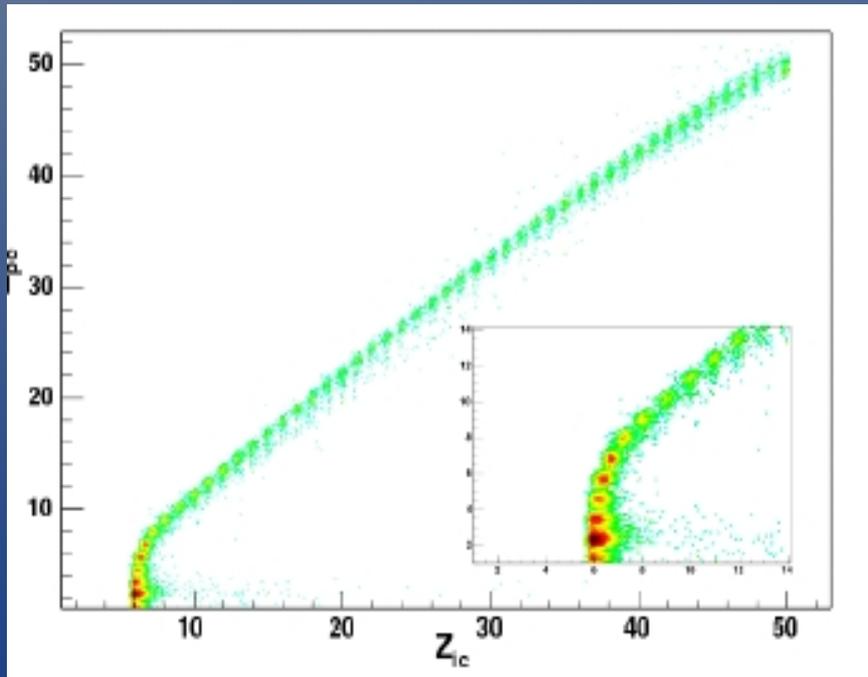
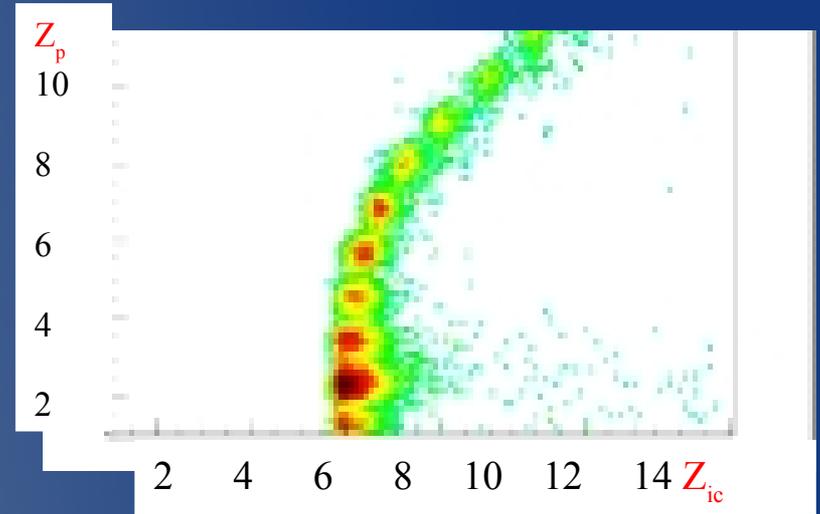
Space reconstruction:

- Drift time \rightarrow x coord
- Charge division and pad readout of the counters \rightarrow y and z coord

The beam is along the z coord

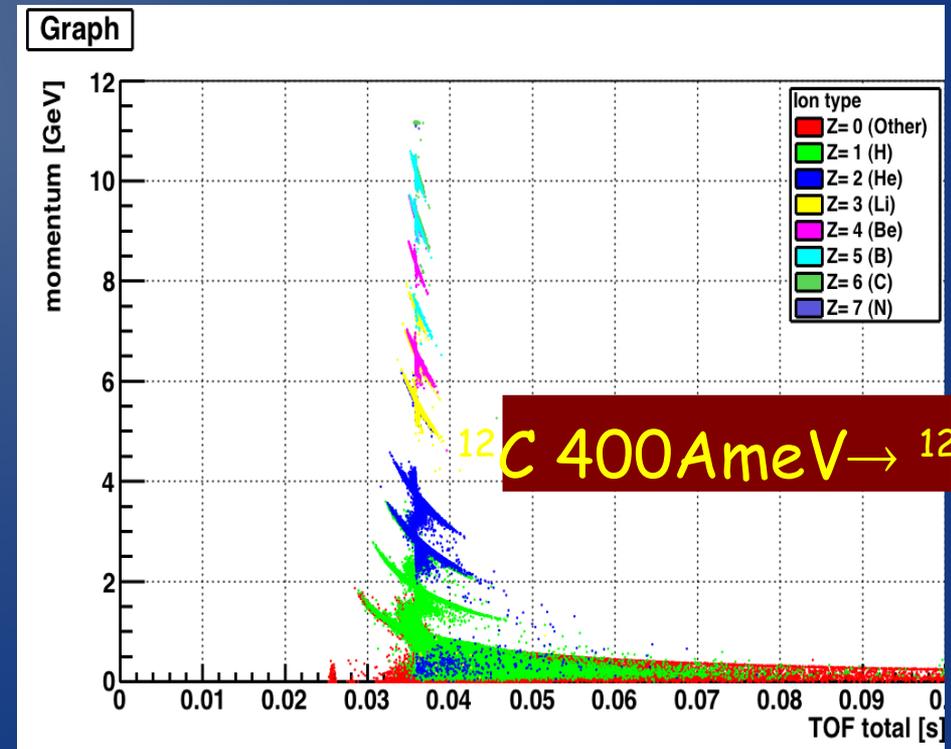
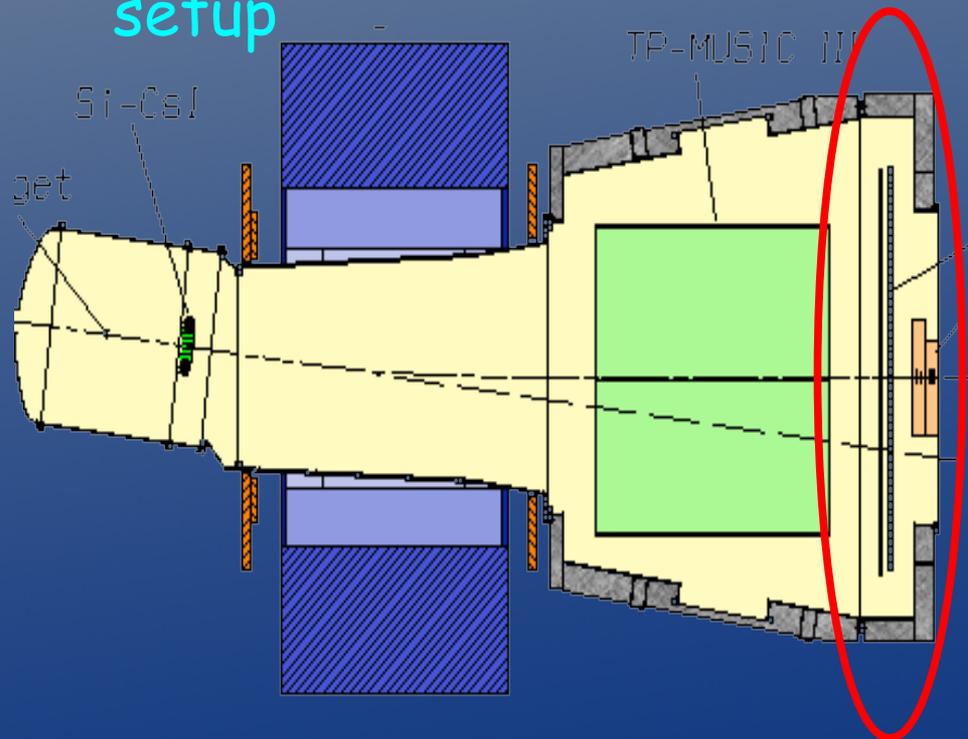
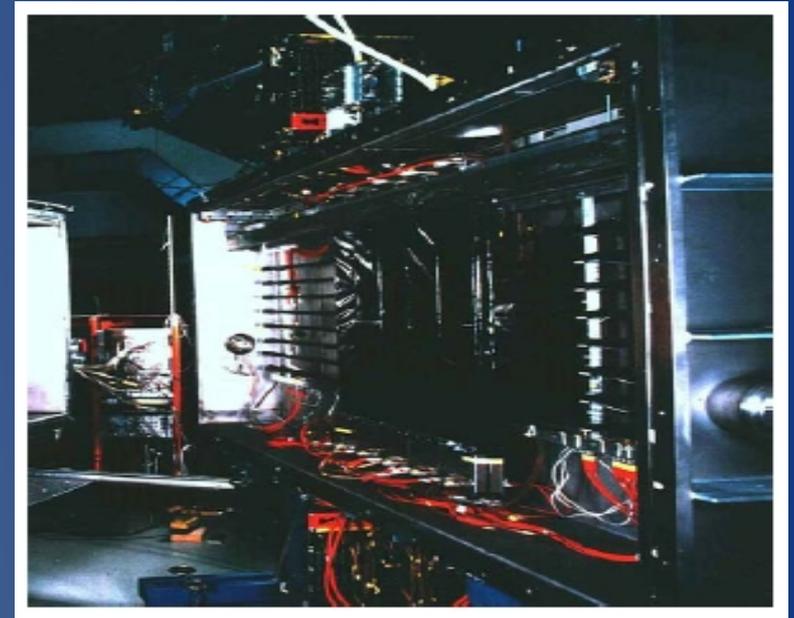
The MUSIC IV - TPC

- Must be tuned for low Z fragments \rightarrow reduce the dynamic range
- Fragment directions measured must be backtraced along some meters to IP



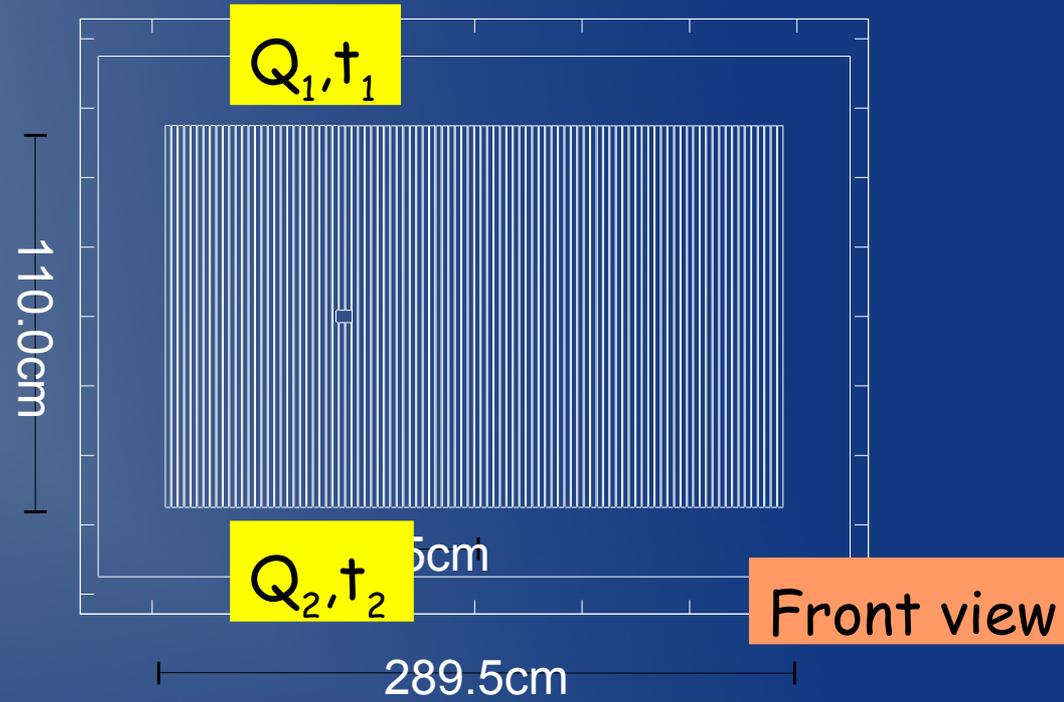
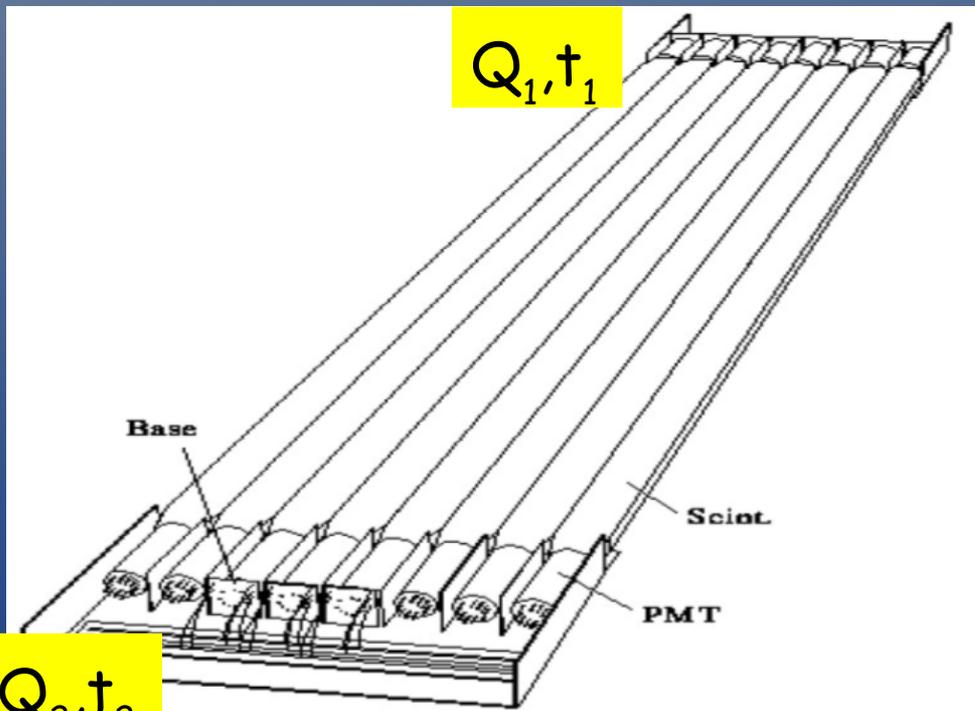
The TOF WALL

- Gives arrival time and impinging position of the fragments
- Time resolution be matched by resolution of start counter
- $\beta = L(p, Z, \theta, \varphi) / \text{TOF}$ The time performance must be matched by the tracking capabilities of the setup



The TOF WALL

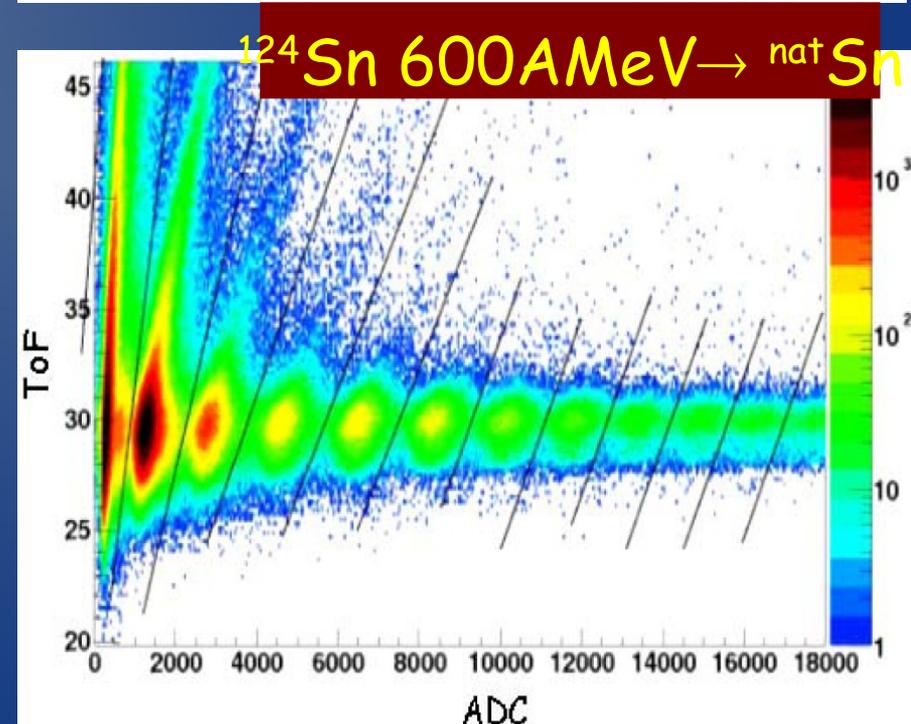
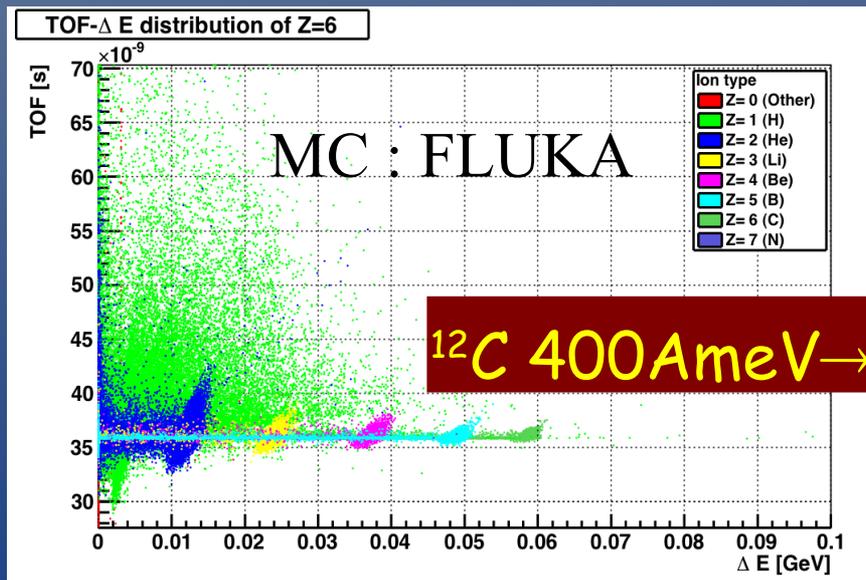
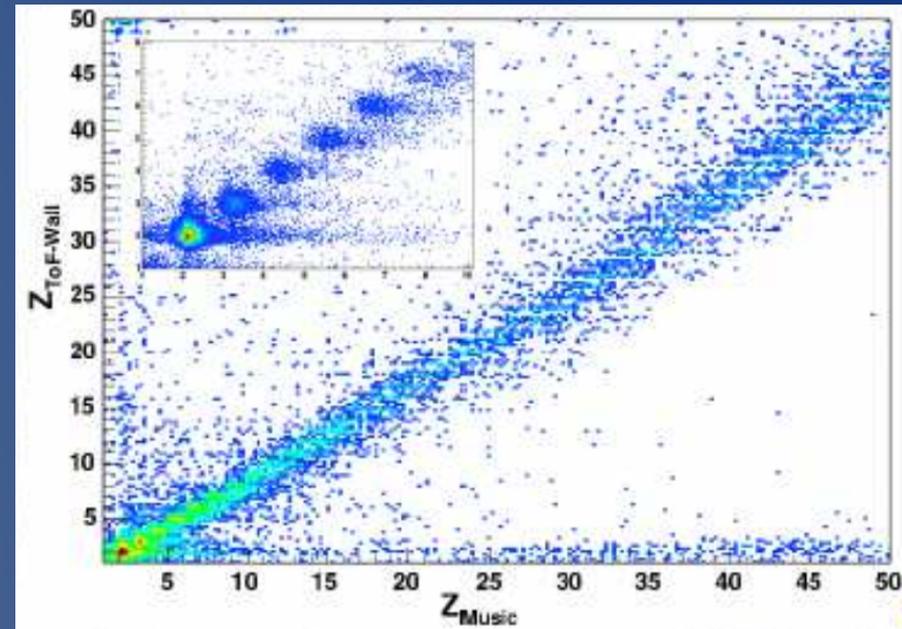
- Two detector layers (front and back), each made of 12 modules
- Each module made of 8 plastic scintillators (BC408), 1.10 m long, 2.5cm wide and 1 cm thick



- Read Q & t at both sides of the slabs
- coord along slat from Q_1/Q_2
- Time resolution $O(200)$ ps on carbon, worst on lighter frags

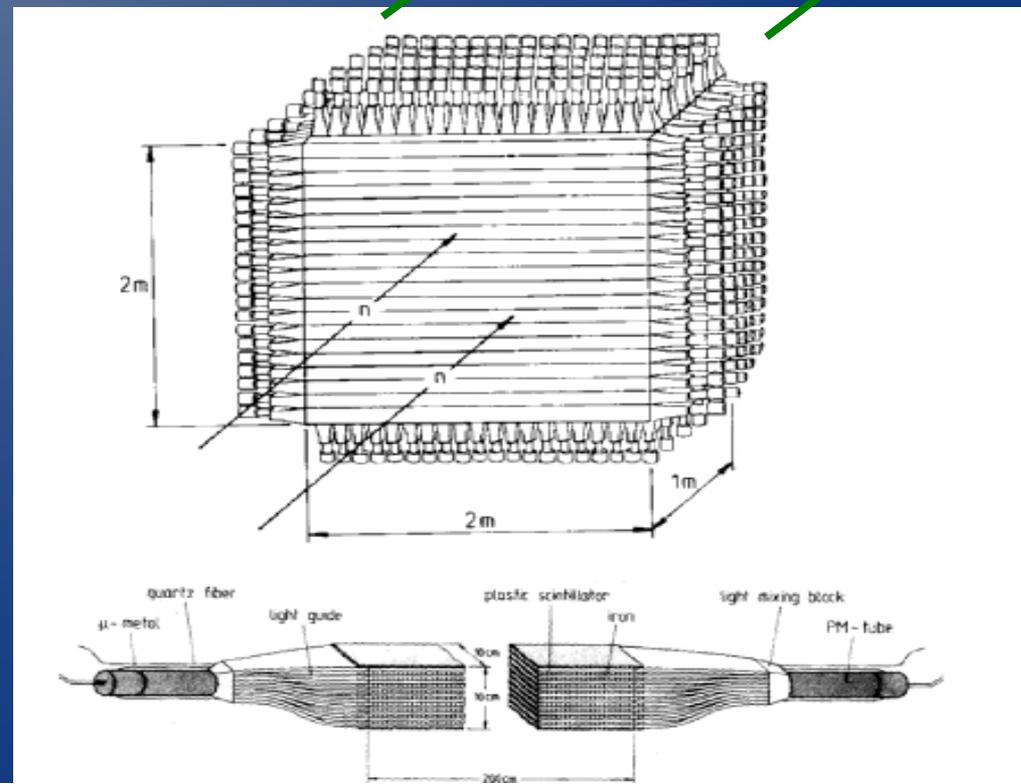
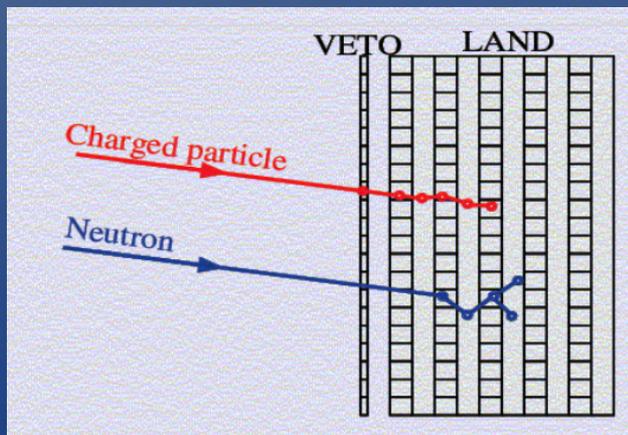
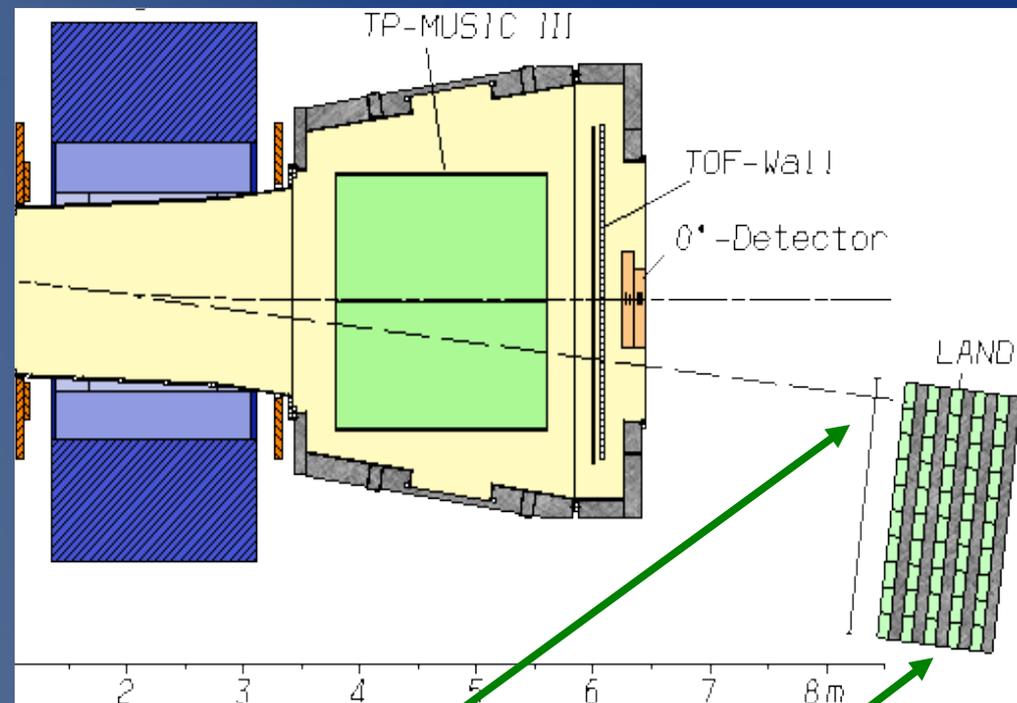
TOF-WALL performances

- TOF vs Q analysis provides standalone Z separation power
- Frag ID power fully exploited with MUSIC info
- Dynamic range to be optimized for low Z frags



LAND, the neutron detector

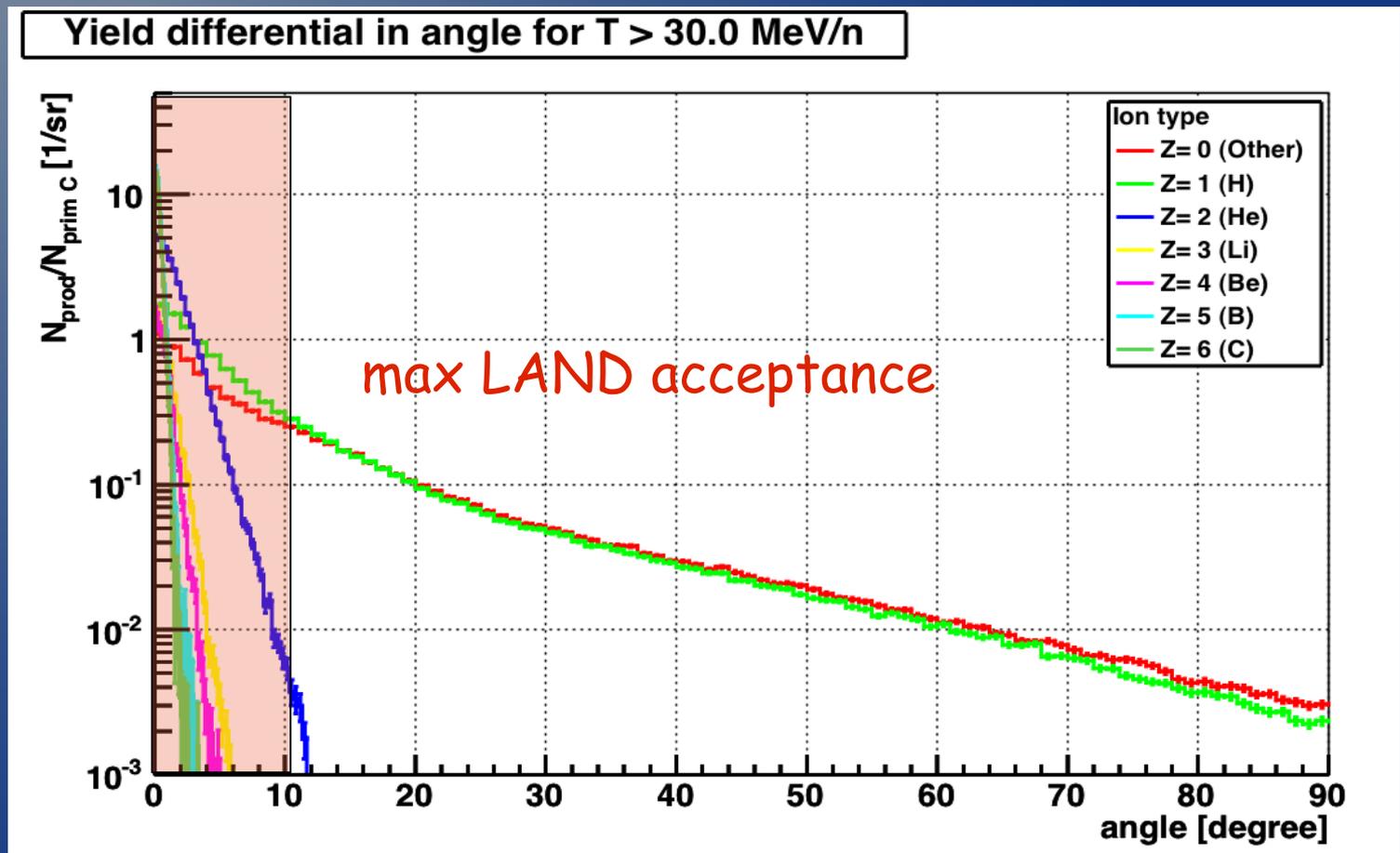
- Active volume: $2 \times 2 \times 1 \text{ m}^3$
- Divided in 200 paddles $200 \times 10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3$.
- Each paddle made of 11 sheet of iron and 10 sheet of scintillator 5 mm thick
- Veto in front of the detector for charged particle



LAND, the neutron detector

Reduced angular acceptance: is it enough to test the model?

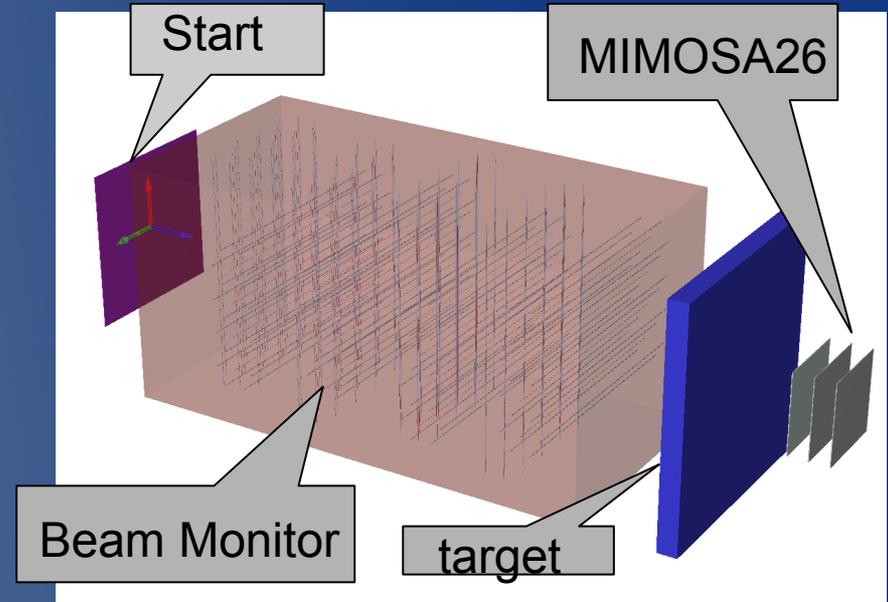
The IR calo could help the neutron flux measurement



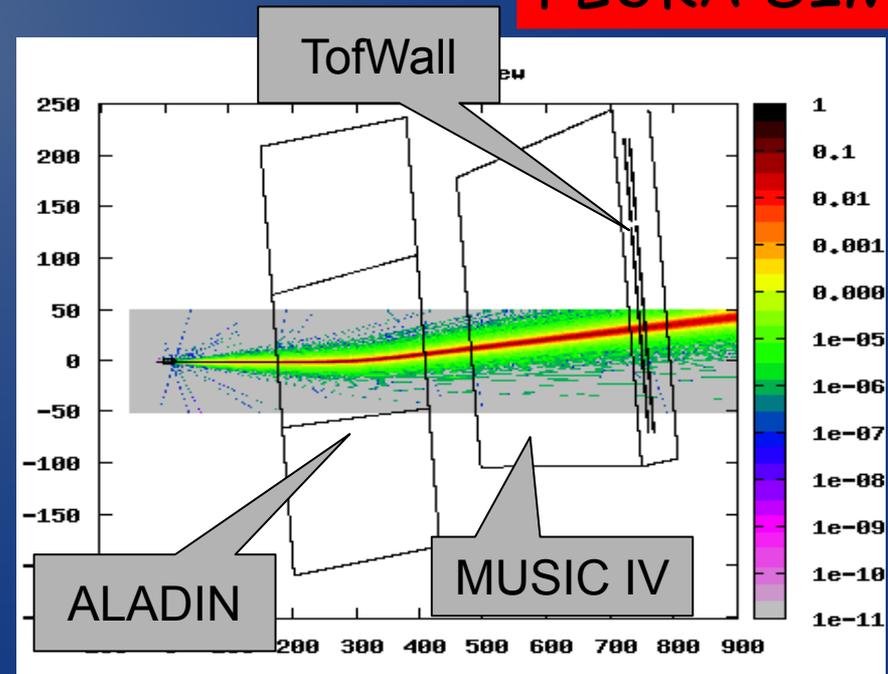
- Eff $\sim 90\%$
for 300 MeV
neutron
- Time res \sim
500 ps

There is more than that...

- **DAQ, FEE, TRIGGER, Calibrations..** anything can induce **systematic errors** on the measure (es: dead time, pile up, alignment, stability of det. response)
- **Reconstruction software:** a lot of hw data must be **processed and combined**
 - Tracking: MUSIC, Bmon, Vertex
 - Clustering: TofWall, vertex, Calo, Hodoscope
- **Detector simulation** is a central part of the analysis: **detector efficiencies & geometrical acceptance** (and correlations!!) can be taken into account only by MC



FLUKA SIM

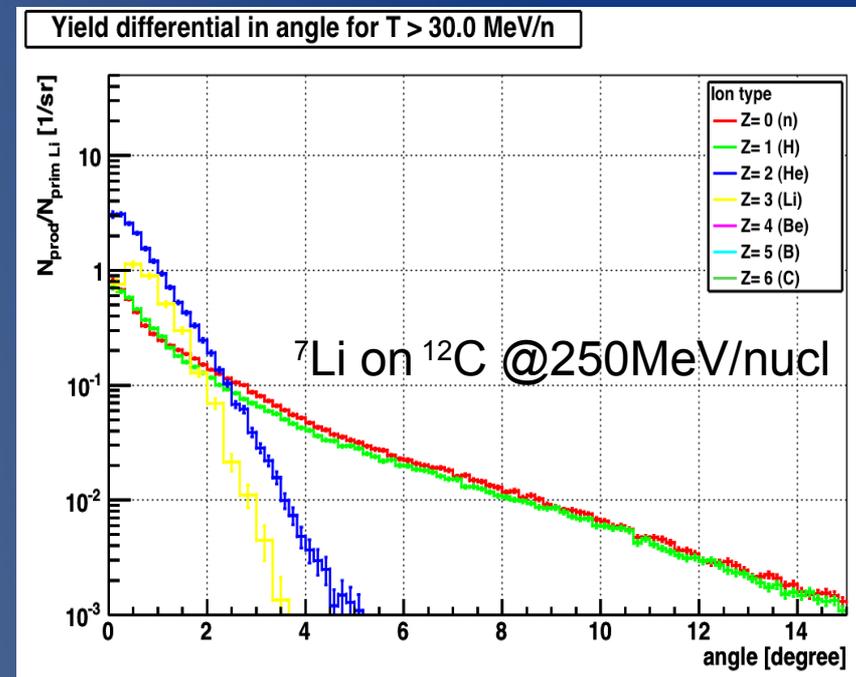


Future... i.e. After 2011 !!!

There is a widespread interest in light ions fragmentation measurement, es: ${}^7\text{Li}$ (April 2010) and ${}^{16}\text{O}$ (second half of 2010) at GSI or ${}^3\text{He} + {}^{12}\text{C}$ (thin target) @ 45 e 85 MeV/nucl at iThemba (proposal in prep.)

The FIRST detector is be able to measure the Fragmentation also with ions like Helium, Litium or Oxigen → GSI interest will be crucial for backing up these measures

The experimental setup is also designed to measure fragmentation cross section also with heavier ions like $\text{Fe} @ 1\text{Gev/nucl}$ → would be interesting for radio protetion in space. ESA and NASA are also interested in this measures



Summary & conclusions

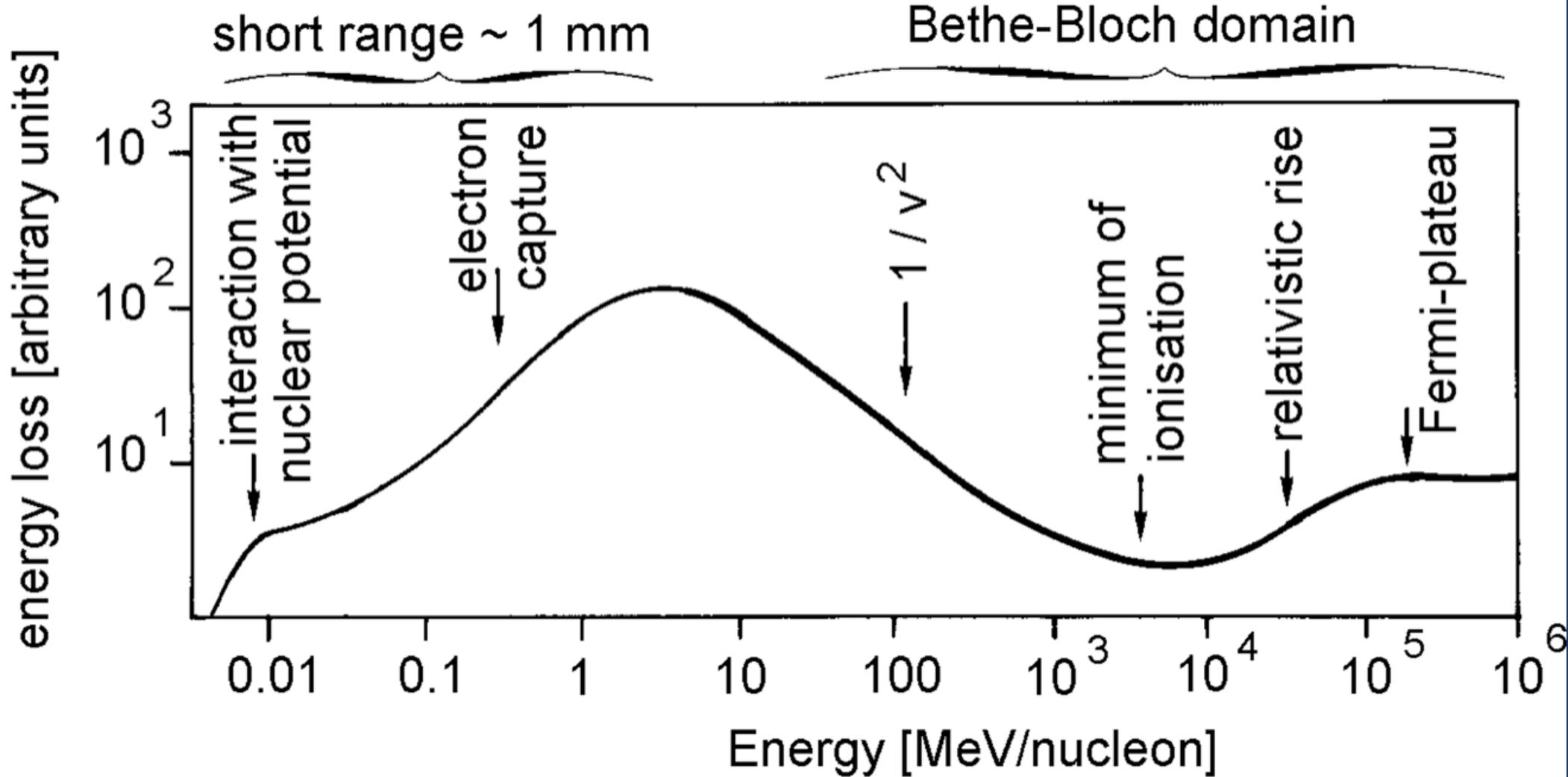
- ✓ An international collaboration (France, Germany, Italy) has been created to measure the $d^2\sigma/d\theta dE$ fragmentation cross section for hadrontherapy at GSI
- ✓ The detector will be the evolution of a pre-existing setup, optimized for the detection of the $Z < 6$ fragment with large angular acceptance and accuracy at the few % level
- ✓ Data taking is foreseen for spring (I would bet summer..) 2011
- ✓ The experimental setup can be seen as a facility to measure the fragmentation of light ions (He, Li, O projectiles on different target of interest) and for fragmentation measurement of interest for space radioprotection (mainly Fe projectiles)



Spare slides

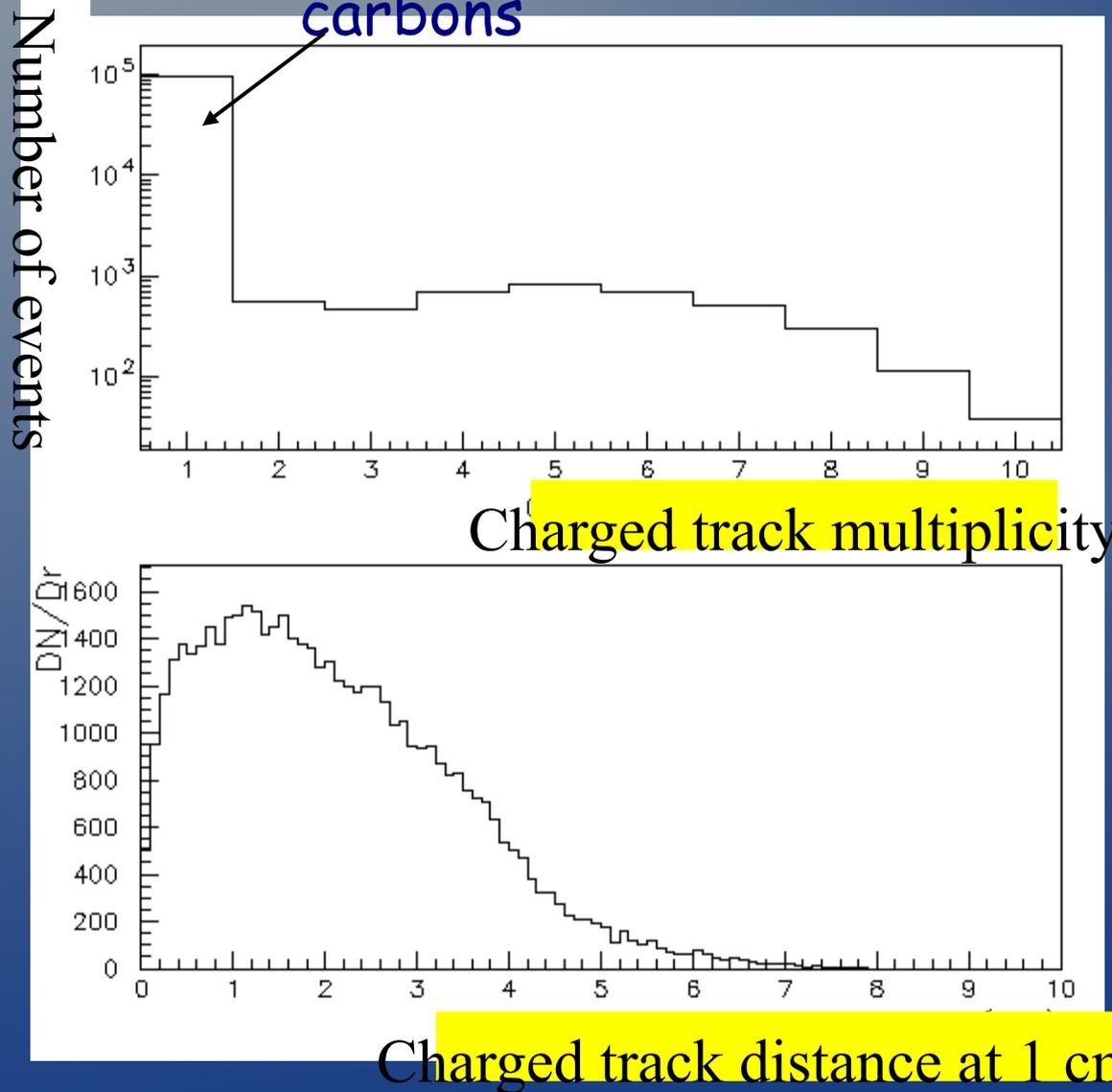
Energy loss of charged particles

Energy Loss of Ions in Matter



Events multiplicity in Vertex tracker

Non interacting
carbons

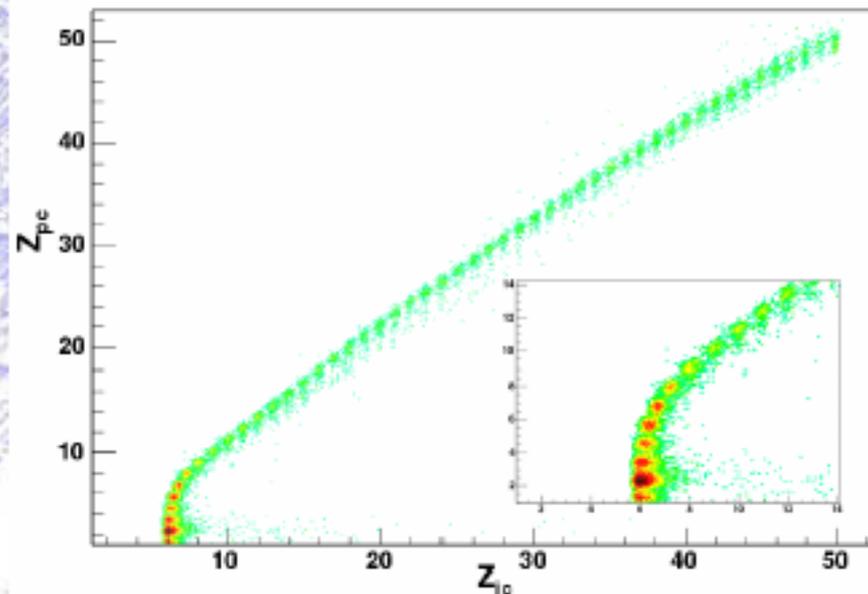
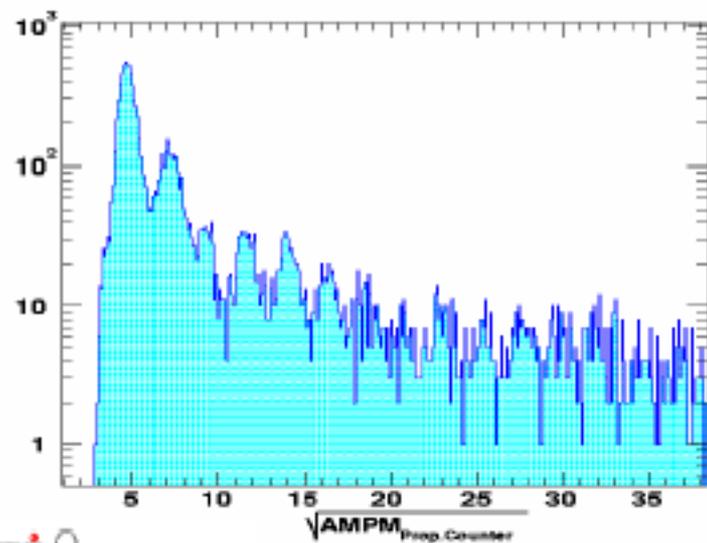
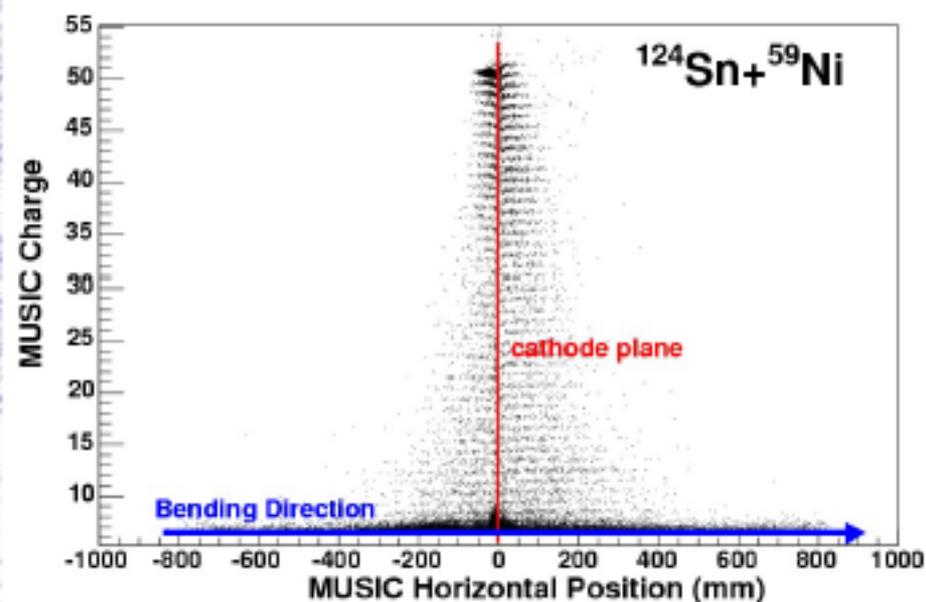
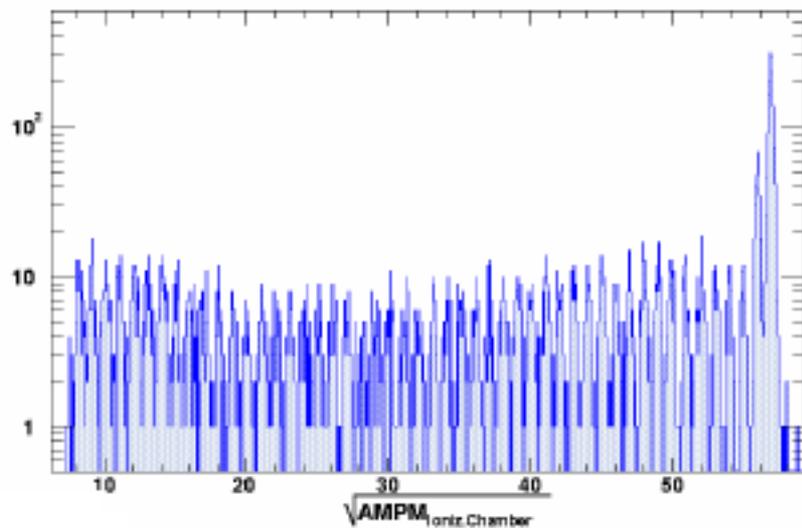


More than 9 events out of 10 are single C tracks

The event multiplicity produced in vertex detector seems to be quite flat up to $N_{track}=7$.

However the distance between these tracks seems to be quite large: order \sim mm at 1 cm distance from the target

The TP-MUSIC Performances



Treat Planning System: a complex object

- All the pro's and contra of the ^{12}C beams must be taken into account in the TPS
- All the knowledge of fragmentation must be inserted in TPS
- The use of MC can be a very effective way to implement the available info and knowledge into the TPS
- Patient modelling
- Transport and interactions of the ions
- Beam & beam line modeling
- RBE computation for the ions, the energies and cell lines of interest
- Optimization procedure (Kernel)
- Monitor & validation tools

Aspects contributing to the complexity of Treatment Planning in hadron therapy

- Management of interfaces/corrections
- Nuclear composition of materials

Relevant technical aspects

- Integration with local beam delivery systems
- Need for “fast” calculation; possibility of producing alternative plans in due time
- Production of general and flexible analysis tools for the inspection of isodose curves on CT scans and Dose-Volume histograms (DHV), etc

Exploitable benefits

- Production of active nuclides, particle emission
 - possibility of in-beam monitoring
 - possibility of feed-back correction to Planning

Radiation interaction in biological material

“standard” paradigm

1 Gy γ -rays in one nucleus:

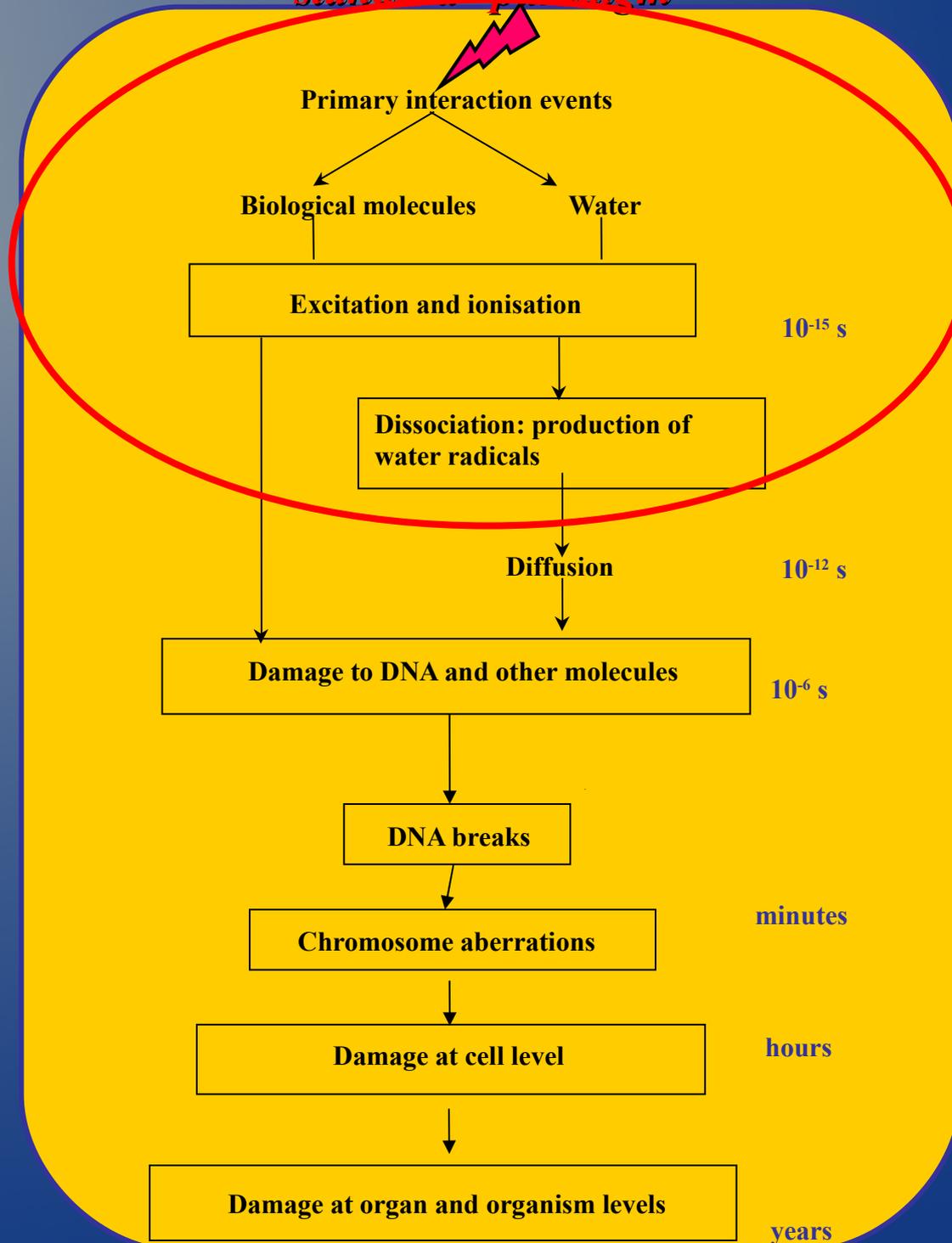
\approx 100,000 ionizations
(\approx 2,000 in the DNA)

\approx 40 DNA DSBs,
 \approx -1 “complex lesion”

\approx 0.5-1 chromosome
aberrations

\approx 0.5-1 lethal lesions
 \approx 10^{-5} HPRT mutations
 \approx 10^{-5} neoplastic
transformations

\ll 10^{-5} cancers



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Physics &
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Chemistry

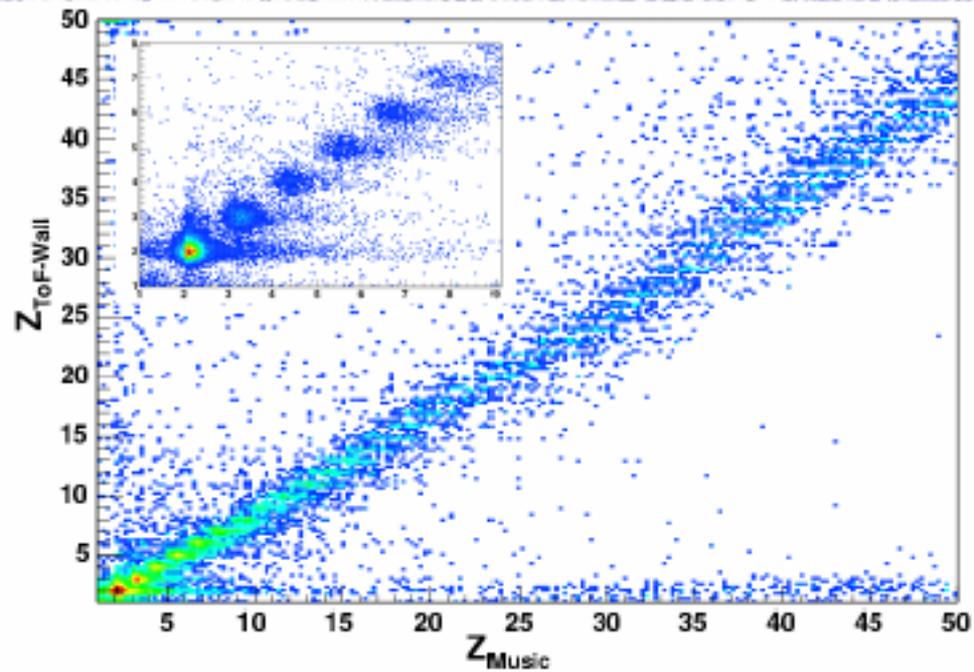
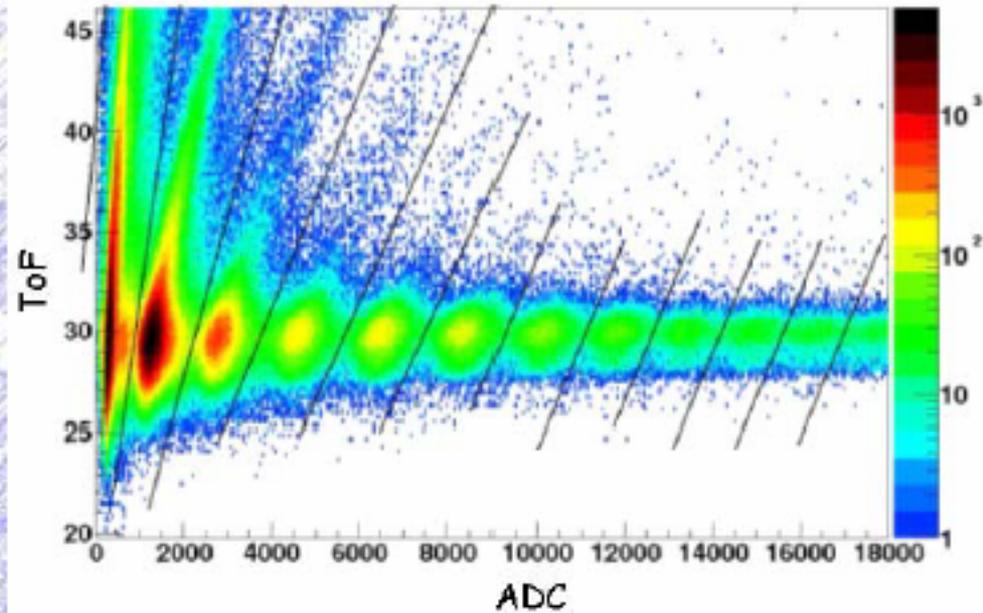
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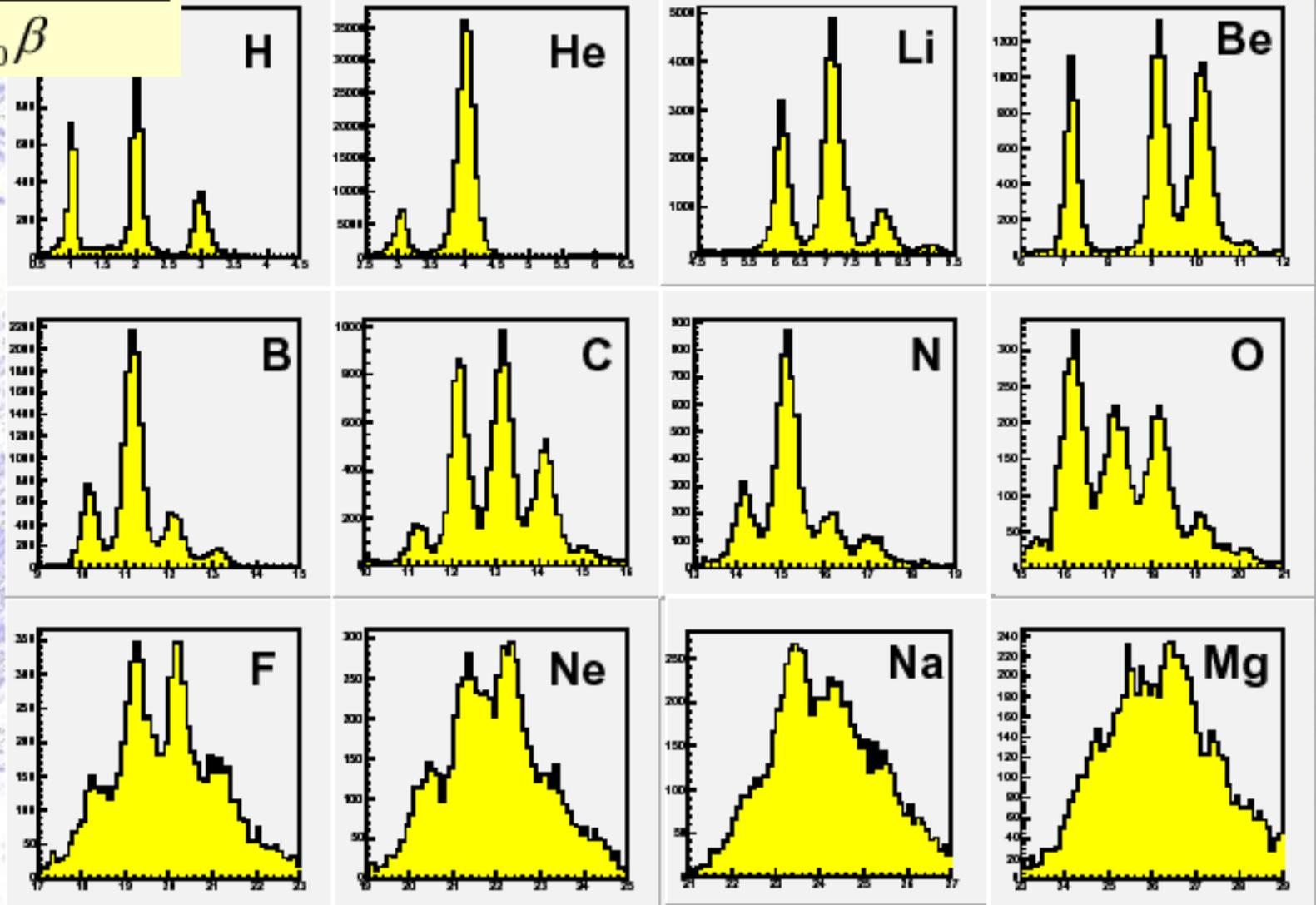
The TP-MUSIC + TOF



The TP-MUSIC Performances

The right performances for light ions fragmentations measurements!

$$A = \frac{0.3 \left| \vec{R} \right| Z \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}{m_0 \beta}$$



Primary Particles - LNBL fragmentation / charge changing cross section data base

Targets: H, C, Al, Cu, Sn and Pb

Ion	Energy (MeV/nucleon)							
^{56}Fe	400	500	600	800	1,000	3,000	5,000	10,000
^{48}Ti					1,000			
^{40}Ar	290	400	650					
^{28}Si	290	400	600	800	1,200	3,000	5,000	10,000
^{20}Ne	290	400	600					
^{16}O	290	400	600		1,000			
^{14}N	290	400						
^{12}C	290	400				3,000	5,000	10,000
^4He	230							

Preliminary Data

FLUKA vs TRIP

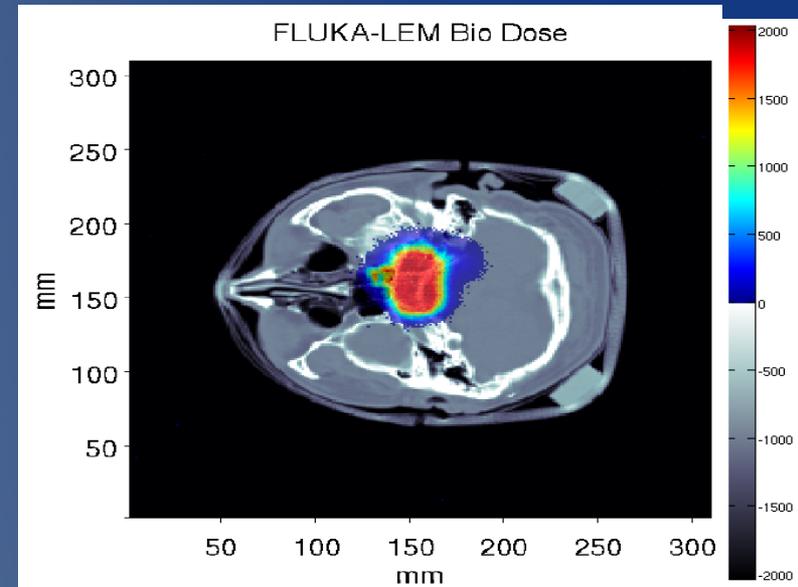
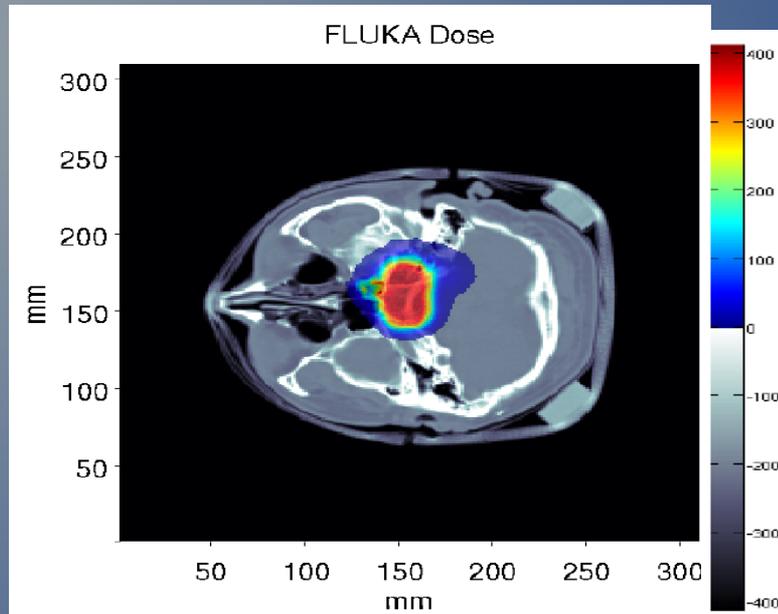
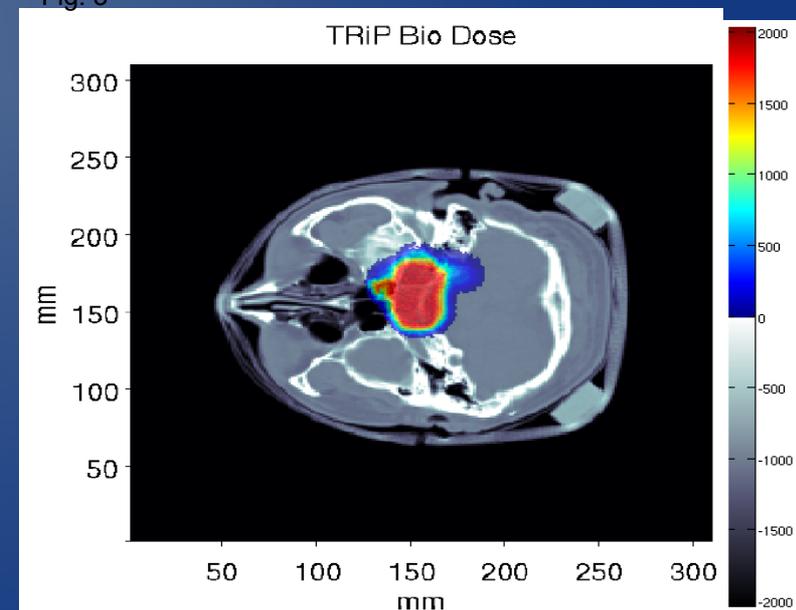
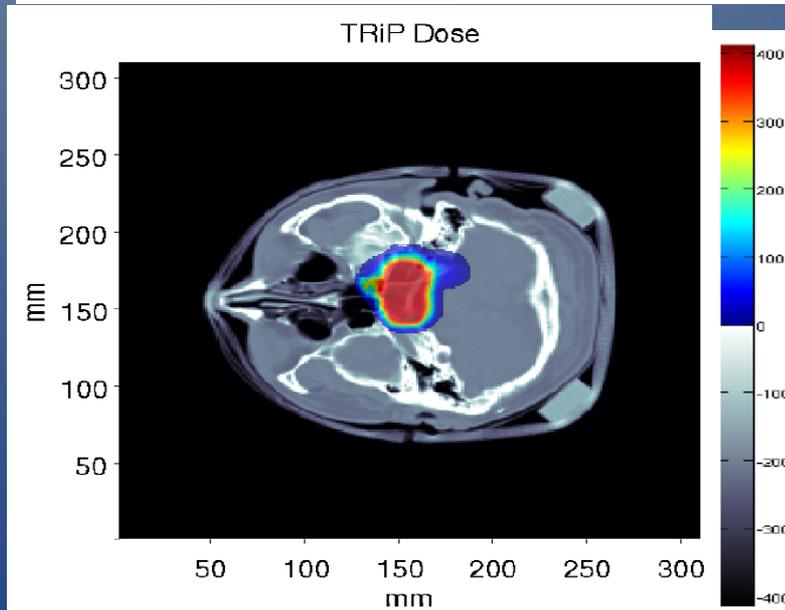
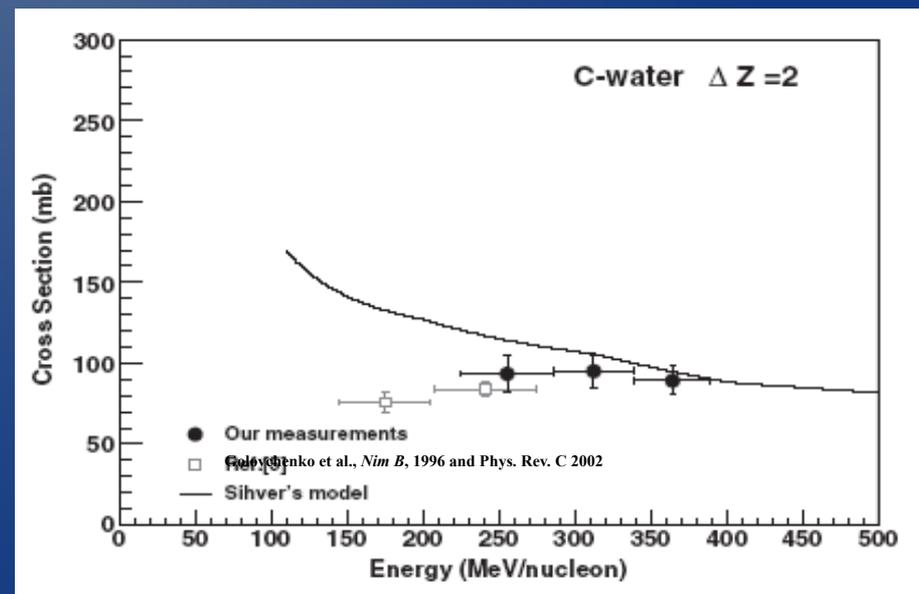
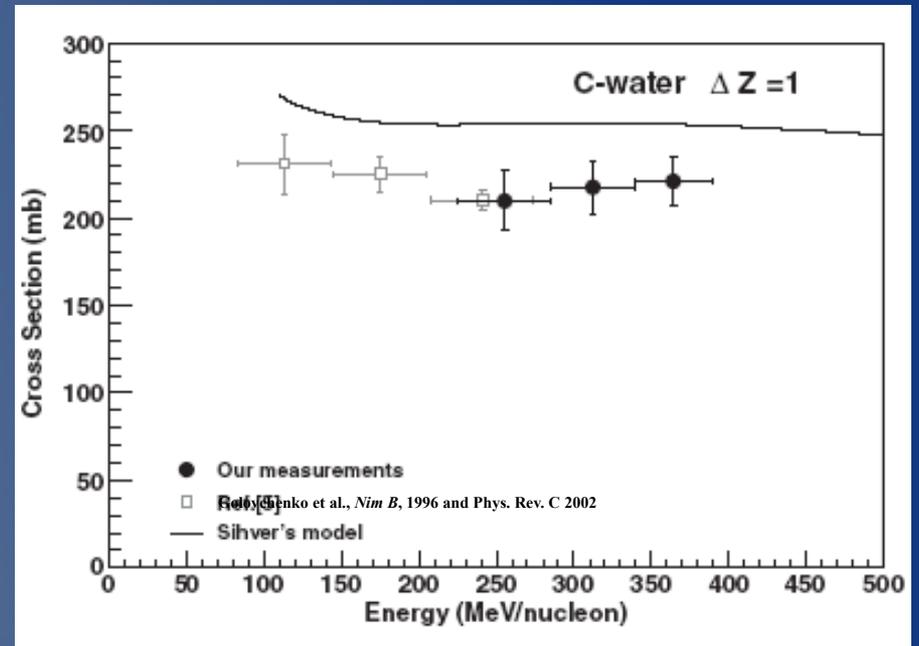
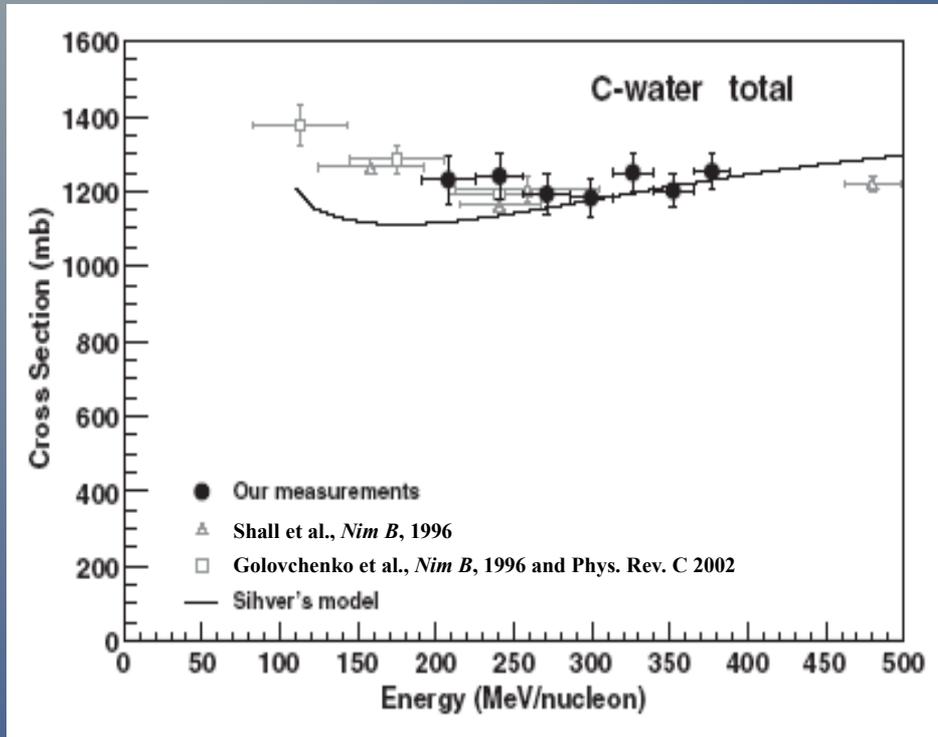


Fig. 3



Benchmarking MC: total cross section



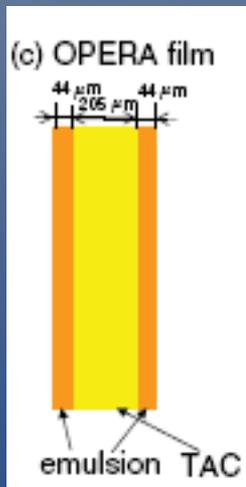
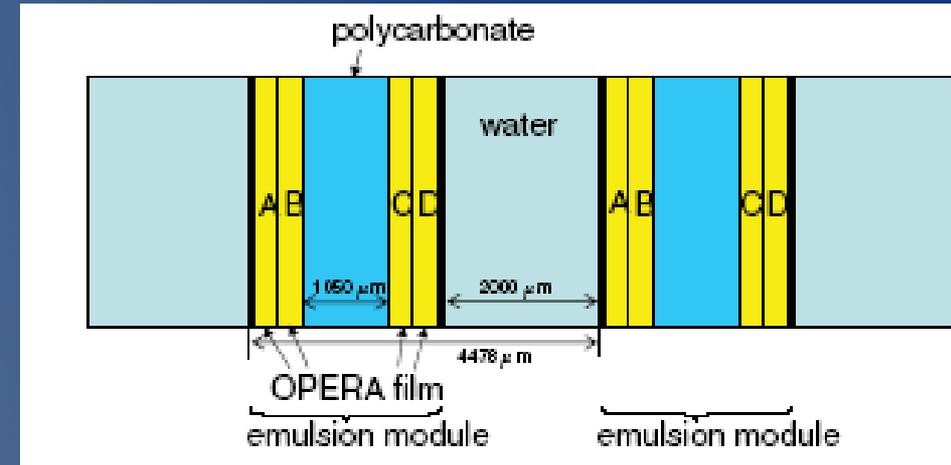
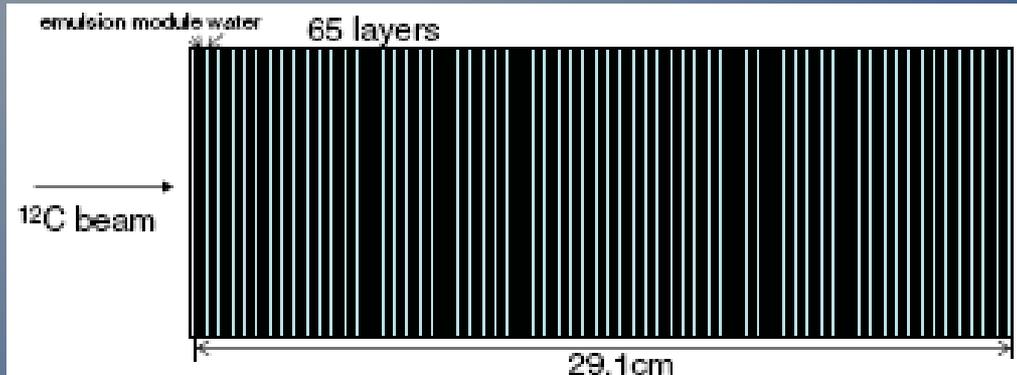
✓ Good agreement with previous experimental data

✓ Discrepancy of about 10% and 20% with model

Toshito. et al., *Phys. Rev. C.*, 2008

Benchmarking MC: Emulsion Cloud Chamber

Density grain is proportional to energy loss



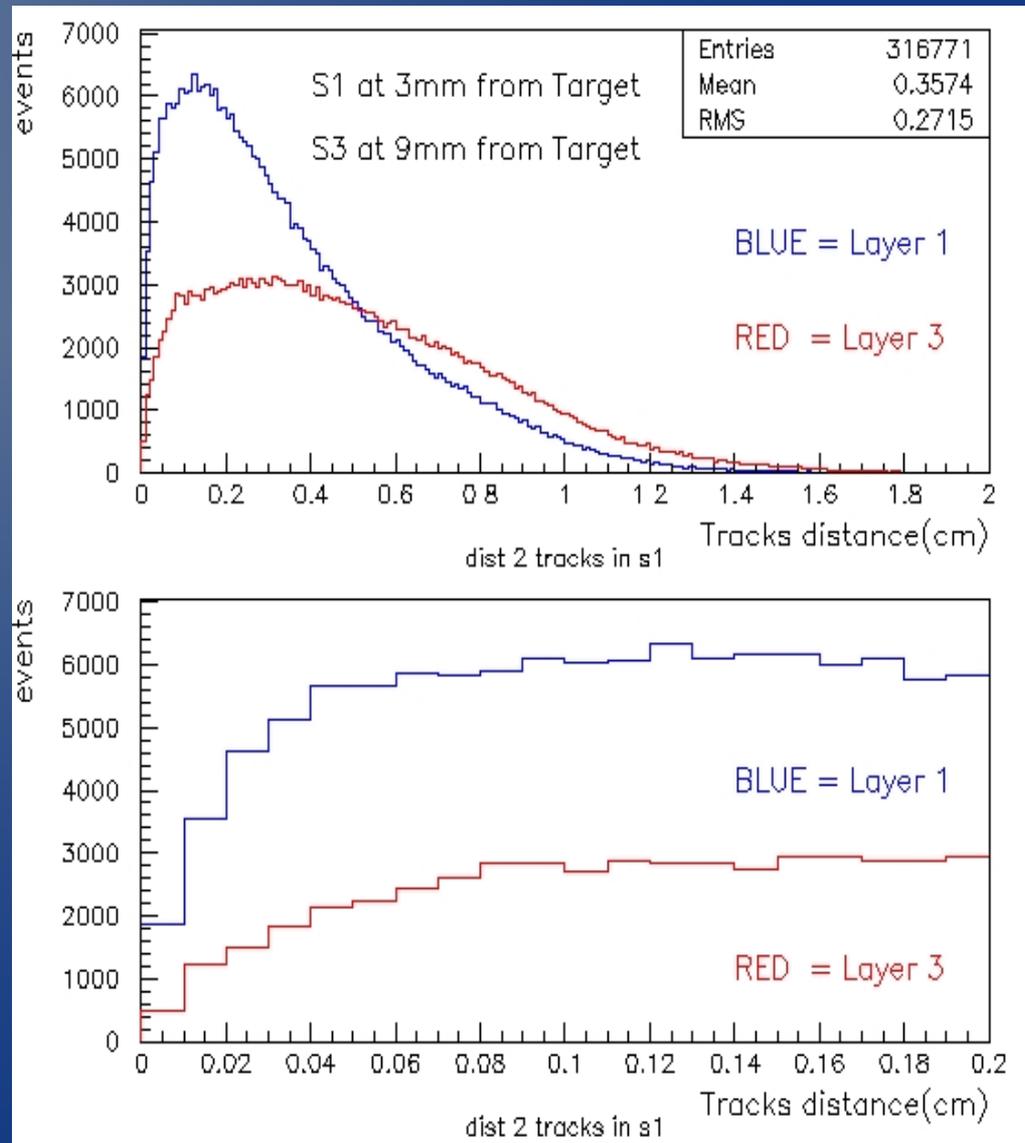
- ✓ High spatial resolution ($\sim \mu\text{m}$)
- ✓ High angular resolution (~ 0.5 mrad)
- ✓ Multiparticle separation
- ✓ Refreshing method to extend dynamic range

MIMOSA26: response to light ions

The MIMOSA chip shows a correlation between the energy deposit and the cluster size: can improve ion identification, but...

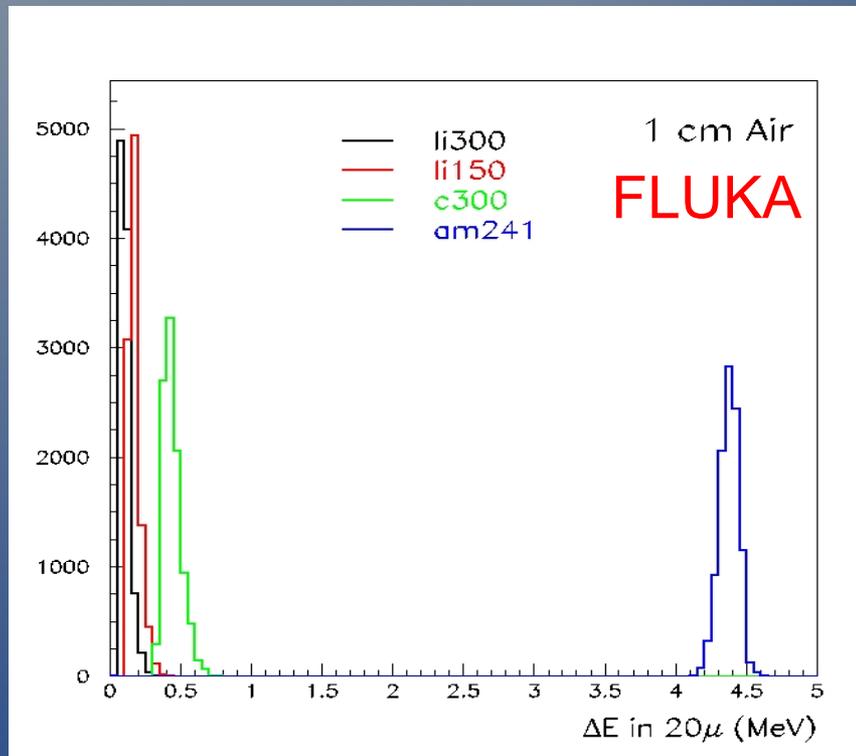
the increased cluster size could produce track overlaps due to the short lever arm between target and vertex layers

With the proposed setup only 0.3% of track pairs has separation $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ in the first Si plane (the most critical)



MIMOSA26: response to light ions

Response to light ions foreseen to be studied at LNS ^{12}C beam but can be tested also with α from Am241 source (already done for mimoroma, same MAPS technology of MIMOSA26).



Energy release by Am241 is much larger than carbon \rightarrow carbon has much smaller cluster size

Am241 event in MIMOROMA

