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Overview of the IR3 proof-of-principle test and beyond

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Outline

- Proposal of fixed-target experiment and IR3 test:
 - LHCb vs IR3
- Main goals of IR3 test
- IR3 detector layout
- Simulations of IR3 test:
 - parametric simulation
 - initial results of full simulation

A bit of history

See also talk by
Joan Ruiz

Initial EDM proposal:

Measurement of charm baryon EDMs from spin precession in bent crystal using LHCb detector

Eur. Phys. J. C 77, 181 (2017)

Double bent crystal setup proof-of-principle

at CERN SPS by Scandale et al.

Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 1015 165747 (2021)

2016

2017

Dec 2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

Test of bent crystal prototypes at SPS H8

at SPS H8

MDM proposal:

using bent crystals at SPS and LHC, by Stocchi et al

CERN-SPSC-2016-030

Charm baryon MDM with bent crystals at LHCb by Fomin et al

*JHEP*1708(2017)120

Update:

Proposal for 2 experimental scenarios: LHCb vs dedicated experiment

Eur. Phys. J. C 77, 828 (2017)

Feasibility studies

of fixed-target layouts at different LHC points by Mirarchi et al

EPJC 80, 929 (2020)

Progress towards the first measurement of charm baryon dipole moments by Aiola et al

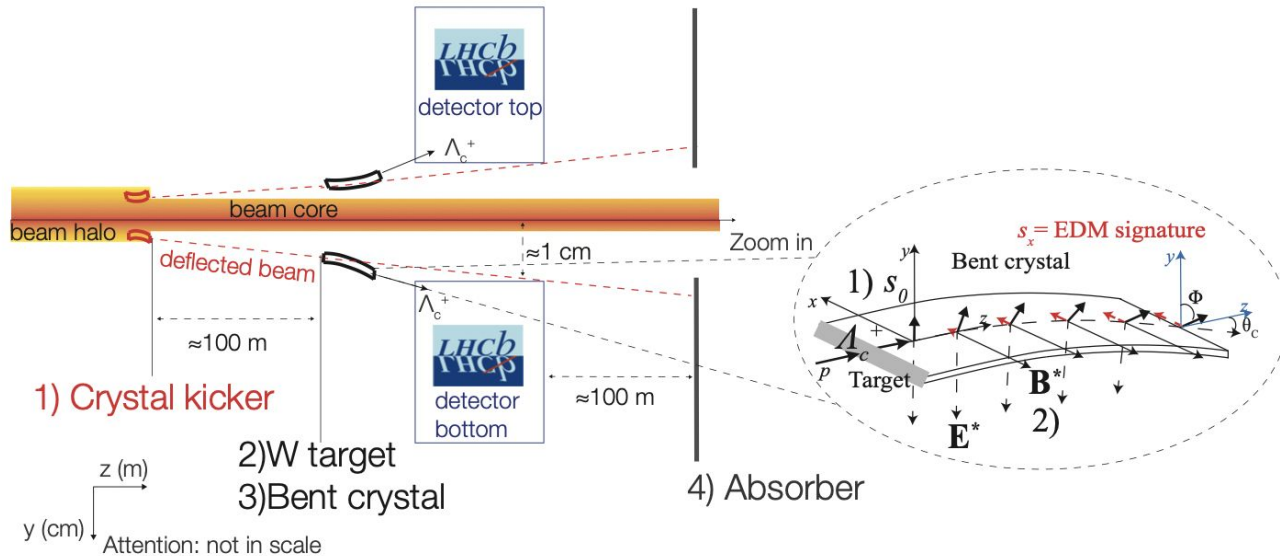
Phys. Rev. D 103, 072003 (2021)

Fixed-target layout at LHCb

In 2017, SELDOM team proposed LHCb detector as spectrometer [Eur. Phys. J. C 77, 181 \(2017\)](#)

- other proposal for MDM measurement at LHCb [JHEP 1708 \(2017\) 120](#)

- 1) First bent crystal (Cry1) to extract protons from LHC
- 2) W Target
- 3) Second bent crystal (Cry2) for spin precession
- 4) Absorbers to stop deflected protons and background, downstream to LHCb



LHCb review

LHCb declared its interest in the experiment

- under evaluation among fixed-target experiments at LHCb (FITPAN)
- installation of the target-crystal setup discussed in internal note (LHCb-INT-2017-011)

BUT requires a **proof-of-principle demonstration** in a different LHC point to mitigate risks and demonstrate:

- 1) Feasibility of double bent crystal setup
- 2) Good channelling efficiency at TeV energies
- 3) Safety for detector operations
- 4) Good background suppression

Outcome



- Fixed-target in LHCb
- New experiment @ IR3

LHCb

- ✚ Excellent spectrometer, just required to install target + bent crystal in front
- ✖ High bending of Cry1 and angular cuts of absorbers @ IR8 [1]
- ✖ High bending of Cry2 (14 mrad) for LHCb acceptance, less efficient crystal
- ✖ Limited proton flux 10^6 p/s
- ✖ EMDM program must live together with main LHCb physics program

Dedicated experiment

- ✖ New spectrometer, high investment and long time needed
- ✚ Low bending of Cry1 and collimators already in place @ IR3 [1]
- ✚ Forward acceptance, less bending crystal (5/7 mrad) with higher efficiency
- ✚ Possibility of higher flux 10^7 p/s \rightarrow higher Λ_c yield
- ✚ Possibility of synergetic runs with LHC

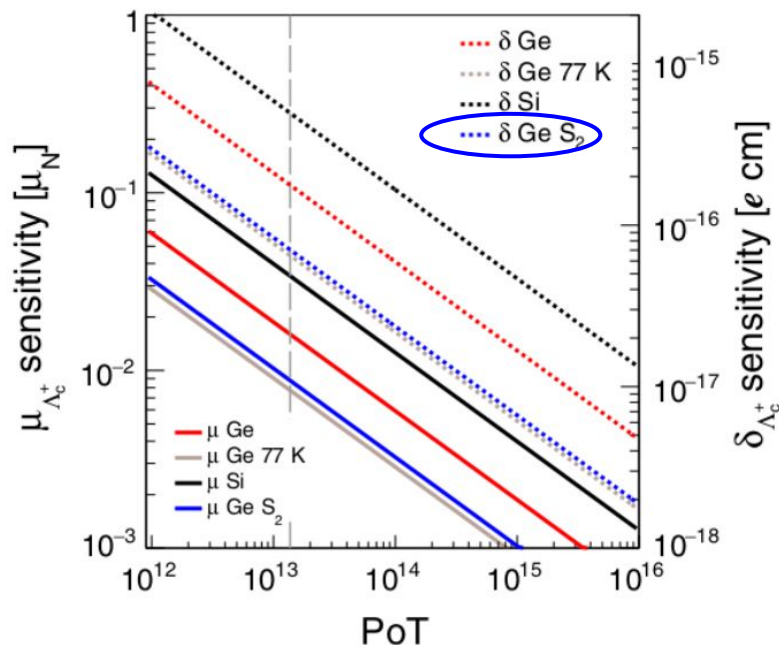
Sensitivity studies

2cm W target,
2 years, $F=10^6$ p/s
→ 1.37×10^{13} PoT

LHCb

EDM precision
= 2×10^{-16} e cm

MDM precision
= 4%



@IR3

EDM precision
= 7×10^{-17} e cm

MDM precision
= 2%

Dedicated experiment better than LHCb scenario by factor 2

+ higher flux \Rightarrow higher PoT &/or reduced data-taking time

Test of bent crystals at SPS

Channelling efficiency measured at GeV energy scale:

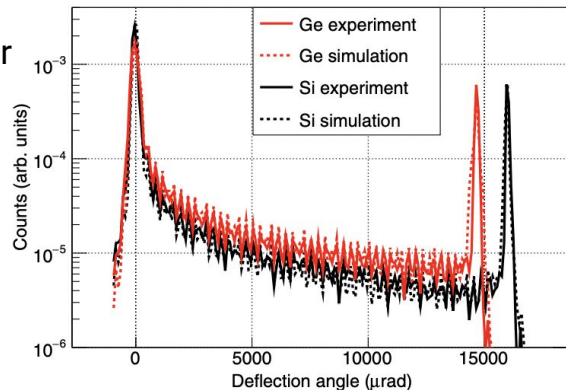
→ **test at CERN SPS** (H8) in Oct 18, with 180 GeV particles

Two bent crystal prototypes to comply with LHCb acceptance

- Silicon: 80 mm length, 16 mrad bending
- Germanium: 55 mm length, 15 mrad bending

Channelling observed near bending angle (right)

Channelling efficiency:
 $8.9 \pm 0.5\%$ (Si)
 $10.8 \pm 0.5\%$ (Ge)

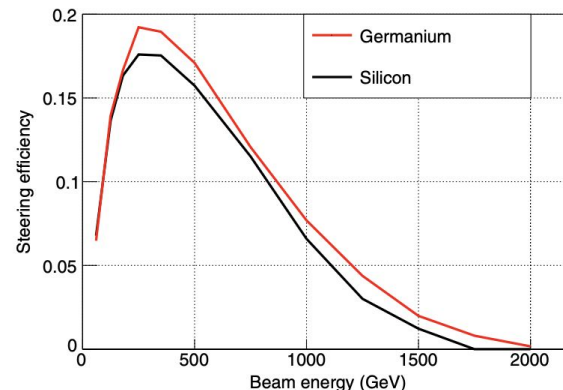


Energy dependence:

Extrapolation to TeV energy scale with MC simulation

⇒ Need to be validated on data:

- **Possibility of dedicated runs at LHC** at different energies > 450 GeV



IR3 test

Main goals

Demonstrate feasibility of a dedicated experiment @IR3 for EDM of charmed baryons

- **Double-channeling layout in LHC**
demonstrated at SPS [1] but not yet at LHC
- **Channelling efficiency** of Cry2 with high yield and efficiency at TeV energy
- **Background level** and invariant mass resolution measurement



Minimal setup of
Double bent crystal
+Target
+1 tracking station

⇒ Reconstruction with **spectrometer**
composed of magnet+tracking stations

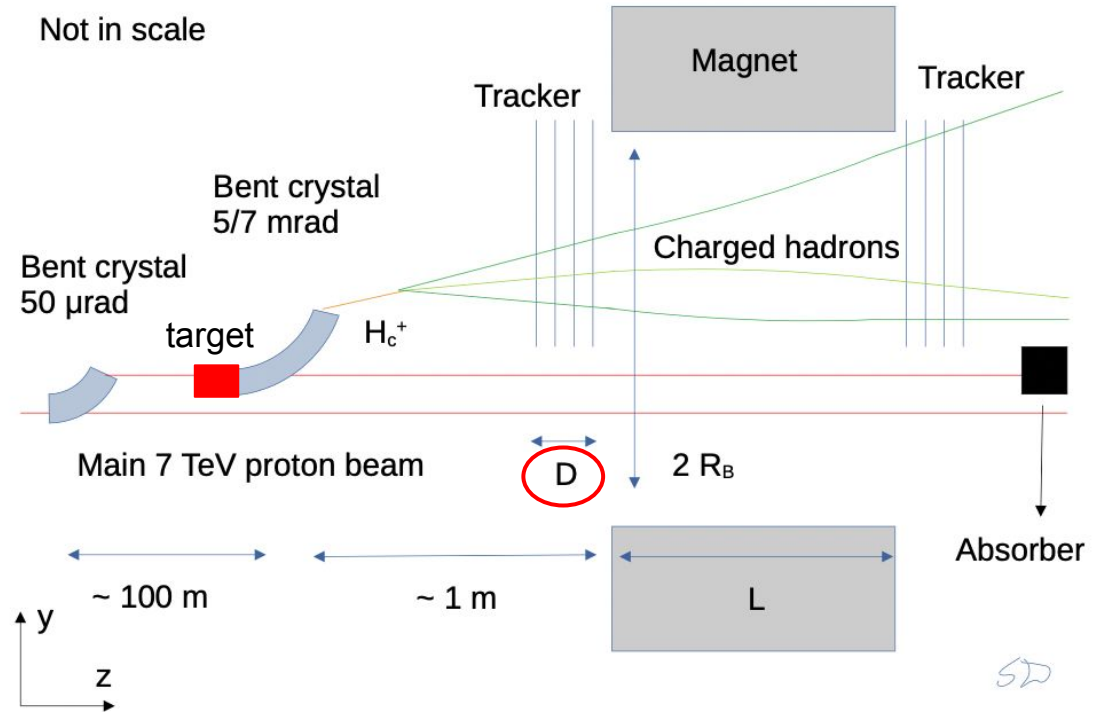
[1] *Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A* 1015 (2021) 165747

IR3 detector layout

First bent crystal for secondary beam

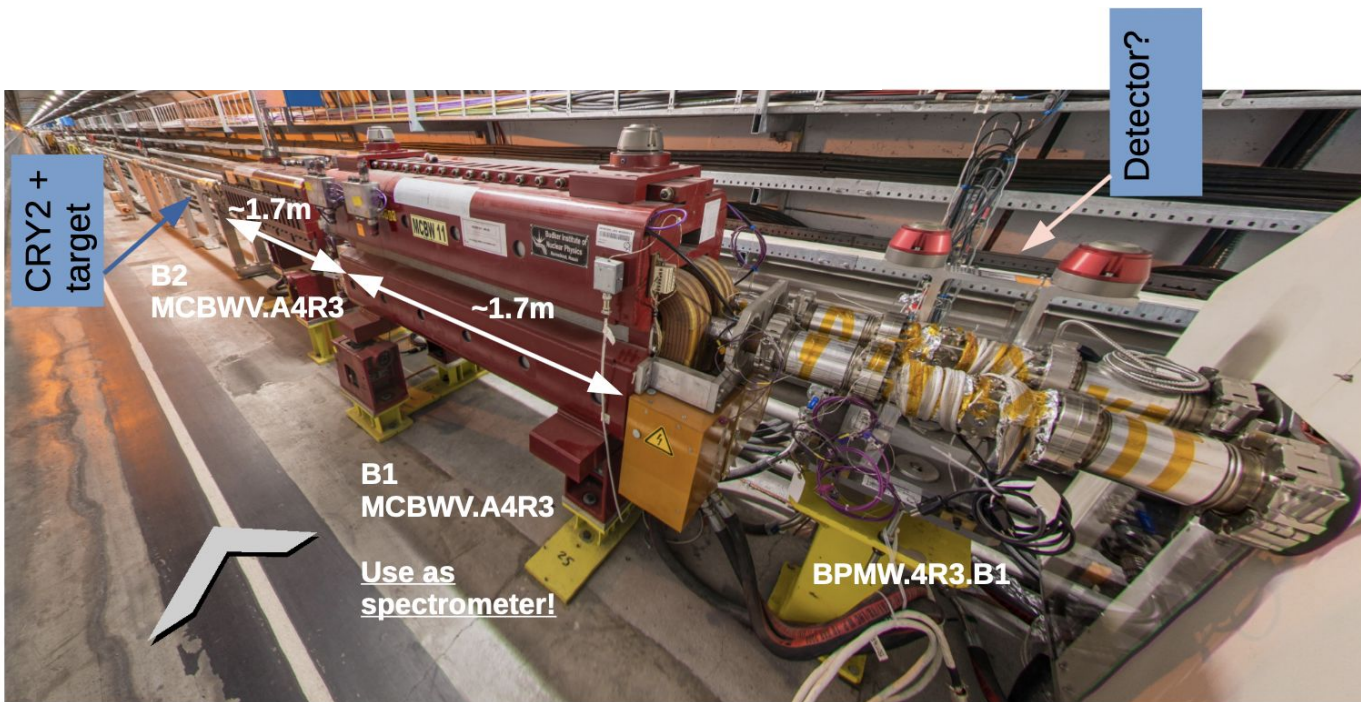
Second bent crystal channeling charm hadrons (5/7 mrad of bending)

Spectrometer composed by warm/permanent magnet + tracking stations



Picture of IR3

by Pascal Hermes



<https://edms.cern.ch/panoramas/viewer?fov=90.00&id=36409858&lat=-27.06&lon=241.01>

Spectrometer for IR3

Magnets

- Existing dipole magnets at IR3

Magnet	L [m]	B [T]
MBW	3.4	1.4
MCBW	1.7	1.1

⇒ Talk by Hermes

- Dedicated high-intense-field magnet (4 Tm) for better invariant mass resolution

⇒ Talk by Sorbi

Tracking stations

Si pixel detectors due to high particle rate

The best detector in terms of performances is **VELOPixel (TDR)**:
⇒ possibility of using tiles with pixels, $55 \times 55 \mu\text{m}^2$

⇒ Talk by Coco

Preliminary IR3 simulations

[talk by Giorgia](#) at 29th PBC
working group meeting

Parametrization of acceptance and invariant mass resolutions; detector response not simulated

Simulation of $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK\pi^+$ decays:

Pythia 8.244, (NNPDF3.1sx+LHCb_NNLO+NLLxLUXQED)

Λ_c^+ production in 7 TeV proton on fixed-target collisions, phsp decay

Study of:

- **Spectrometer acceptance**
 - for 5 and 7 mrad bent crystals
- **Invariant mass resolution:**
 - in order to distinguish between Λ_c^+ and D_s^+
 - as a function of tracker length D
- **Charm hadron yield estimate**
 - for D^+ , D_s^+ and Λ_c^+ decays to three final state particles

Acceptance and invariant-mass resolution

by Giorgia Tonani, Federico Zangari

Spectrometer acceptance

B_x field, for different magnet aperture, bending angle and Si/Ge

MBW

MBCW

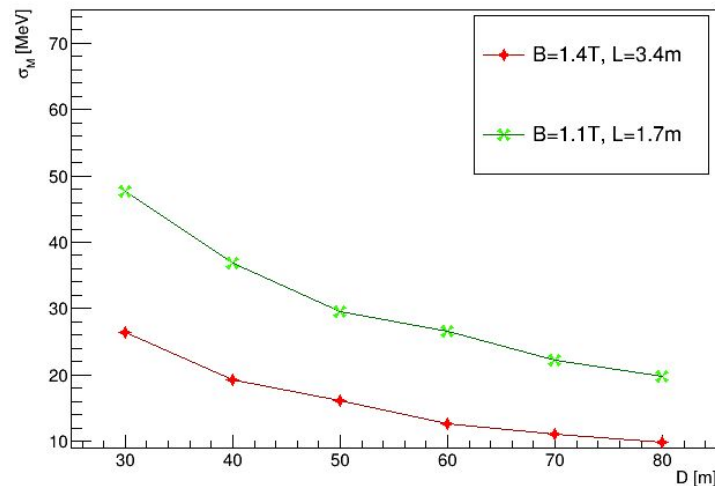
Si 7 mrad	$R_B = 2$ cm	$R_B = 2.5$ cm	$R_B = 3$ cm	$R_B = 4$ cm
$B = 1.4$ T $L = 3.4$ m	0%	0%	0%	14%
$B = 1.1$ T $L = 1.7$ m	0%	18%	81%	97%

Ge 5 mrad	$R_B = 2$ cm	$R_B = 2.5$ cm	$R_B = 3$ cm	$R_B = 4$ cm
$B = 1.4$ T $L = 3.4$ m	0%	0%	16%	74%
$B = 1.1$ T $L = 1.7$ m	38%	89%	96%	99%

MBCW with good acceptance for $R_{B,x} > 3$ cm

Invariant mass resolution vs tracker length

Invariant mass uncertainty from tracks Si 7mrad



$\sigma_M < 50$ MeV for tracker length $D > 40$ cm

- **MCBW magnet** can be considered as a valuable solution
- Si 7mrad, best Cry2 configuration for invariant mass resolution

Charm hadron yield

by Daniele Marangotto

Flux of 10^6 p/s and Ge crystal as demonstrated in [1], 5 mrad bending

Decays of D^+ , D_s^+ and Λ_c^+ to three final state particles

RESULTS:

- $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, most abundant decay:
 \Rightarrow **O(1000)** of events in **few days**
- D_s^+ and Λ_c^+ :
resolvable with reso < 50 MeV
 \Rightarrow **O(1000)** of events in **~2 months**



Enough statistics for IR3 test

Preliminary results demonstrate that we can make it!

BUT we need full simulation to study detector response

[1] PRD, 103, 072003

Full simulation of IR3 detector

Simulation of

Detector geometry

Particle generation (p+target interactions)

Particle simulation:

propagation, interaction with matter and decay

channelling effects

Track reconstruction and digitalization

Softwares & tools

DD4hep: in xml format \Rightarrow talk by Han Miao

Pythia, Angantyr model for heavy-ion collisions

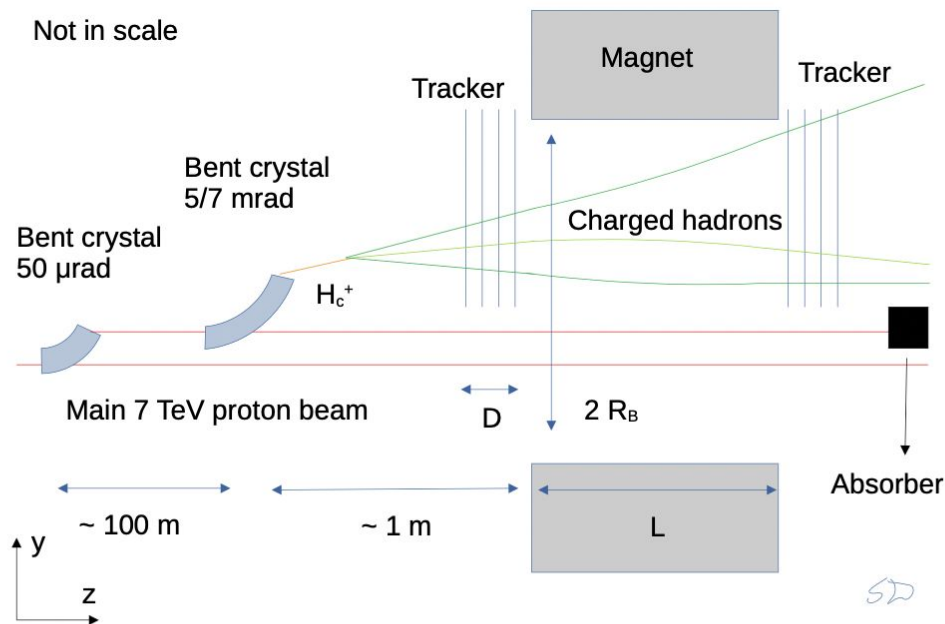
DD4hep/DDG4: based on Geant4

ACTS/GENFIT \Rightarrow talk by Jascha Grabowsky

Goals of full simulation

- 1) **Channeling efficiency** study using GEANT4
- 2) **Background studies**
 - Occupancy of tracking stations
 - Secondary particles interaction with magnet and after magnet
- 3) **Invariant mass resolutions** of charmed hadrons

⇒ Optimization of tracking system layout
position of trackers and usage of VeloPix



IR3 detector geometry

Target: W, 2 cm long

Cry2: Si, 7 cm long, 7 mrad

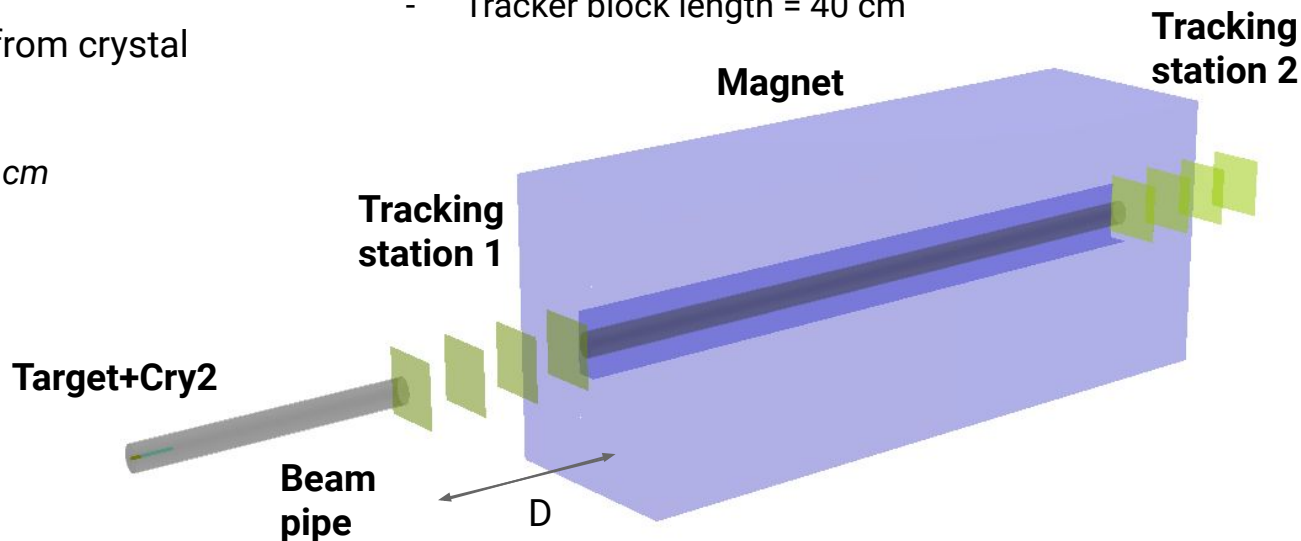
Beam pipe: Cu OFE, elliptical form

MCBW Magnet: Fe, at 1 m from crystal

- $B=1.1$ T, $L=1.7$ m
- Bore: $R_B(x,y)=(2.6, 7.2)$ cm

Tracking stations: 2 blocks of 4 trackers before/after magnet

- Si, 300 μ m thick, 15x15 cm²
- Tracker block length = 40 cm



Preliminary occupancy studies

by Federico Zangari

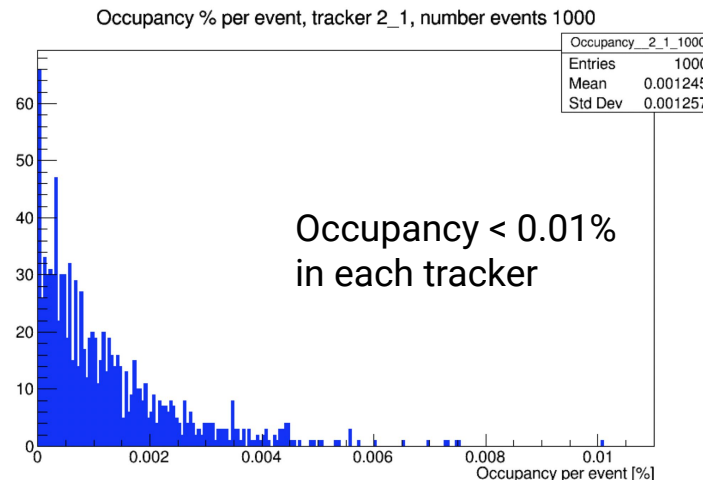
Background events: Minimum bias (p+W interaction, Pythia 8.3 Angantyr)

Simulation of full detector, no crystal channelling

$$\text{Occupancy} = \frac{N_{pixel}(E_{deposit} > E_{th})}{N_{pixel}}$$

VeloPixel specifications: [TDR](#)

- Pixel size = $55 \times 55 \mu\text{m}^2$
Tracker stations of $15 \times 15 \text{ cm}^2$
 $\Rightarrow 2727 \times 2727$ pixels grid
- Minimum energy deposit: $E_{th} = 1.8 \text{ keV}$
 - $E = 3.6 \text{ eV}$ to create e^- -h
 - Threshold of $500 e^-$



Rate of Background events

by Federico Zangari

$$\text{Rate} = N_{\text{hits}} / \text{cm}^2 / \text{s}$$

Proton flux

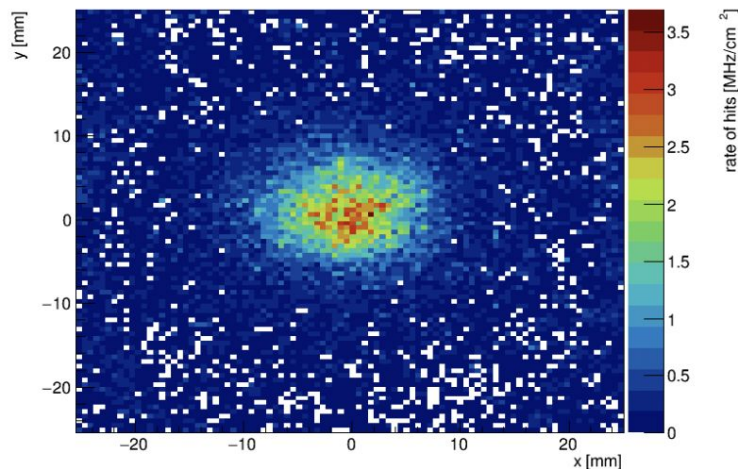
Probability of interaction pW

Scaled by the fraction of interacting protons:

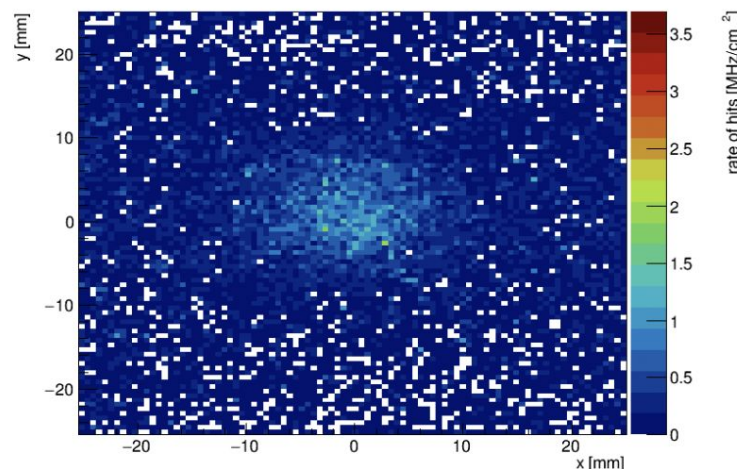
$$\Phi = 10^6 \text{ p/s} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{x_W}{\lambda_{I,W}}} \right)$$

x_W = target length,
 $\lambda_{I,W}$ = nuclear interaction length

Tracker **before** magnet



Tracker **after** magnet



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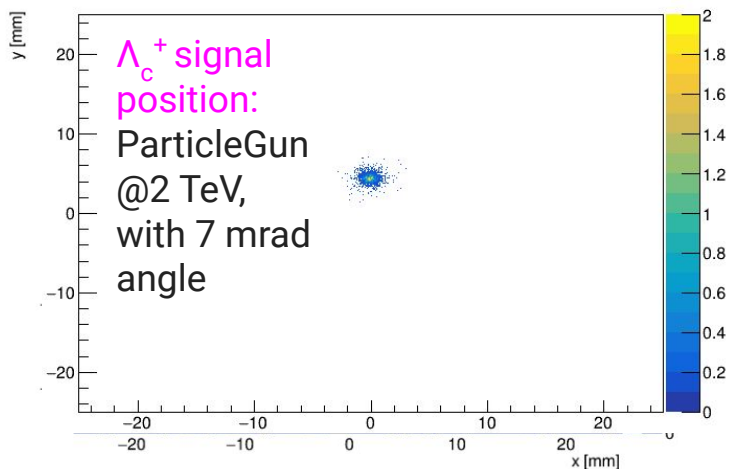
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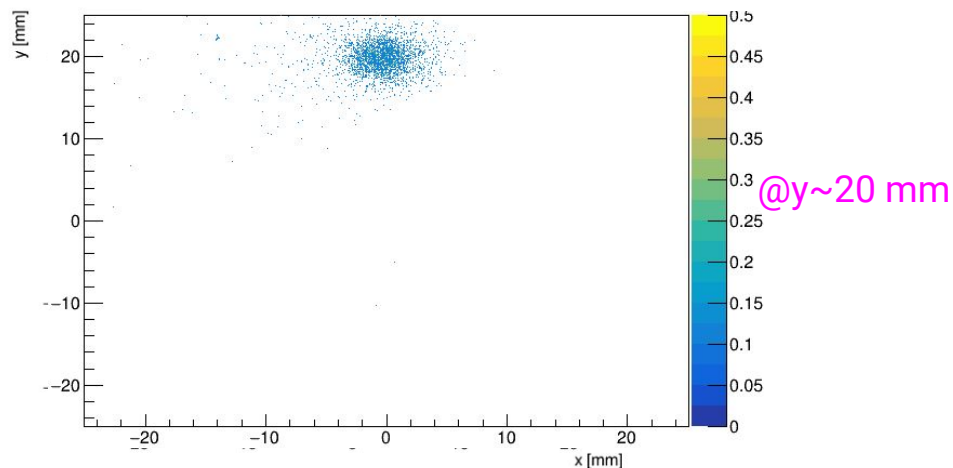
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Conclusions

IR3 proof-of-principle test requested by LHCb to demonstrate low risks of fixed-target experiment

- Double-channeling at IR3
- Channeling efficiency at TeV scale
- Background level and detector performances

Simulations of IR3 setup already in place

- simple geometry layout implemented
⇒ preliminary **occupancy studies** show good performances

Next steps

- Channelling is being included in DD4hep
⇒ estimate **channelling efficiency**
- Track reconstruction and digitalization ⇒ see talk by **Jascha Grabowsky**
⇒ measure **acceptance, background level & invariant mass resolutions**

Thank you for the
attention!

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Backup slides

Simulation with VeloPix @LHCb

Full simulation with target+Cry1 in front of LHCb

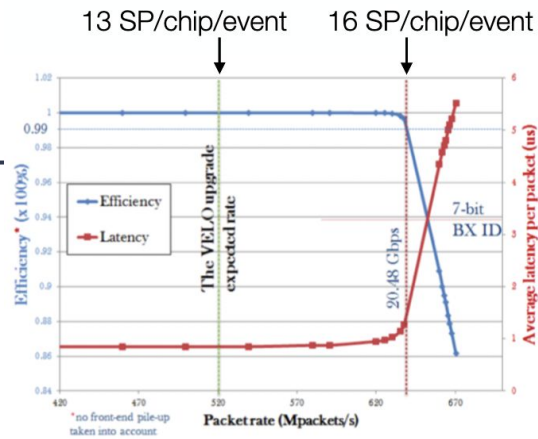
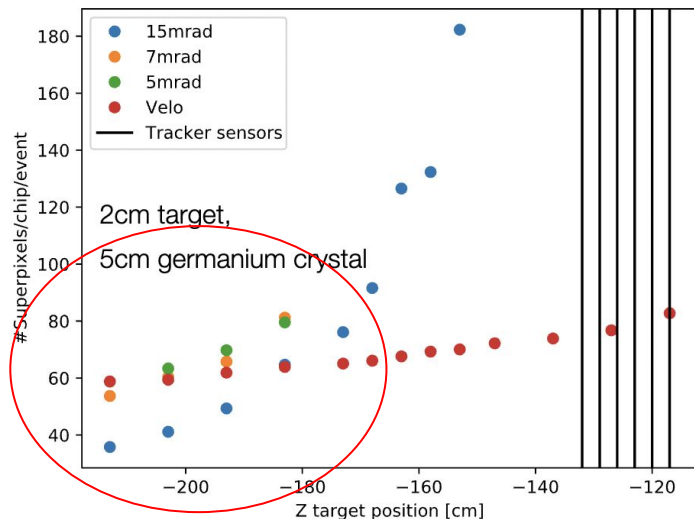
VeloPix: readout organized in superpixels = 4x2 pixels

- Maximum of 640M super pixels/chip/second output rate

Challenging rate for VeloPix:

- ~70 superpixel/chip/s
- higher output rate for 5 mrad than 15 mrad

More superpixels/chip/event are allowed for low collision rate



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