



Proof-of-principle test for a charm baryon dipole moment experiment at the LHC

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Electromagnetic dipole moments

For particles with spin = $\frac{1}{2}$ we can define

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2} d \mu_B \mathbf{P} \quad \text{EDM}$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} g \mu_B \mathbf{P} \quad \text{MDM}$$

Where \mathbf{P} is the polarization vector

$$\mathbf{P} = 2 \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle / \hbar$$

Hamiltonian of the system

$$H = -\mu \cdot \mathbf{B} - \delta \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

↓
T,P

$$H = -\mu \cdot \mathbf{B} + \delta \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

The EDM violates T and P, therefore it violates CP through CPT theorem.

- **EDMs** are source of possible physics Beyond the Standard Model.

(not measured yet for charm baryons)

- **MDMs** provide important anchor points for QCD calculations.

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Channeling in bent crystals

Positively charged particles are **channeled** between the atomic planes if their impact angle is small enough.

- Steer the particle trajectories of a given angle.
- Induce a **spin precession** of the particles in a short distance

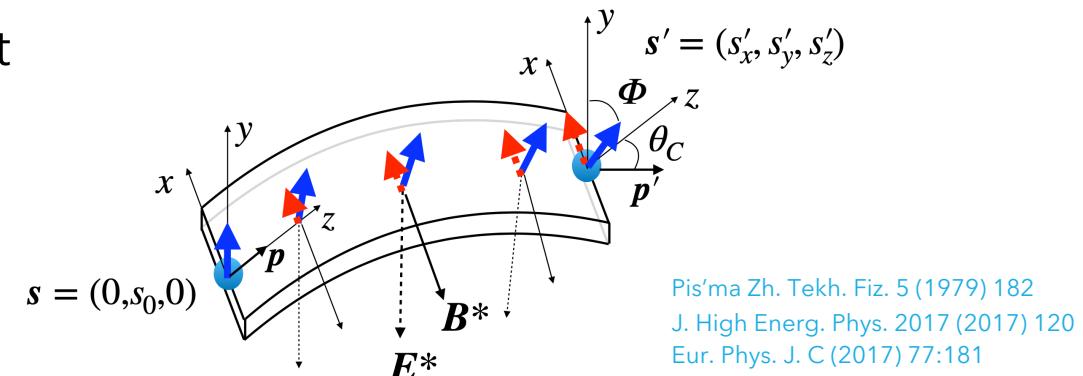
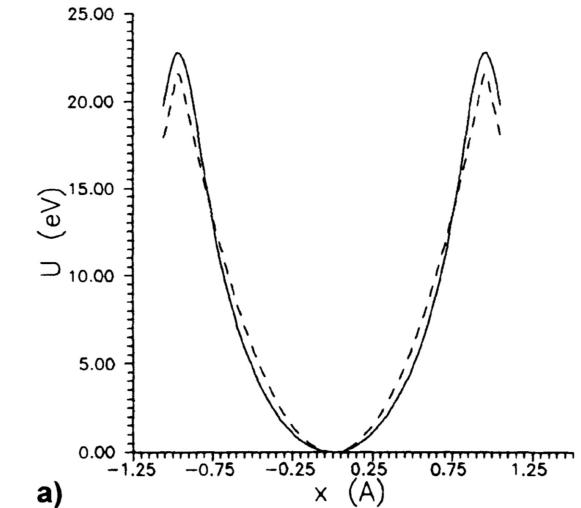
$$\Phi \approx \frac{g-2}{2} \gamma \theta_c \quad s_x \approx s_0 \frac{d}{g-2} (\cos \Phi - 1)$$

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To measure EDM and MDM of short-lifetime particles ($\sim 5\text{cm}$) strong EM field are needed.

In bent crystal we obtain:

- Electric field $E \approx 1 \text{ GV/m}$
- Effective magnetic field $B \approx 500 \text{ T}$

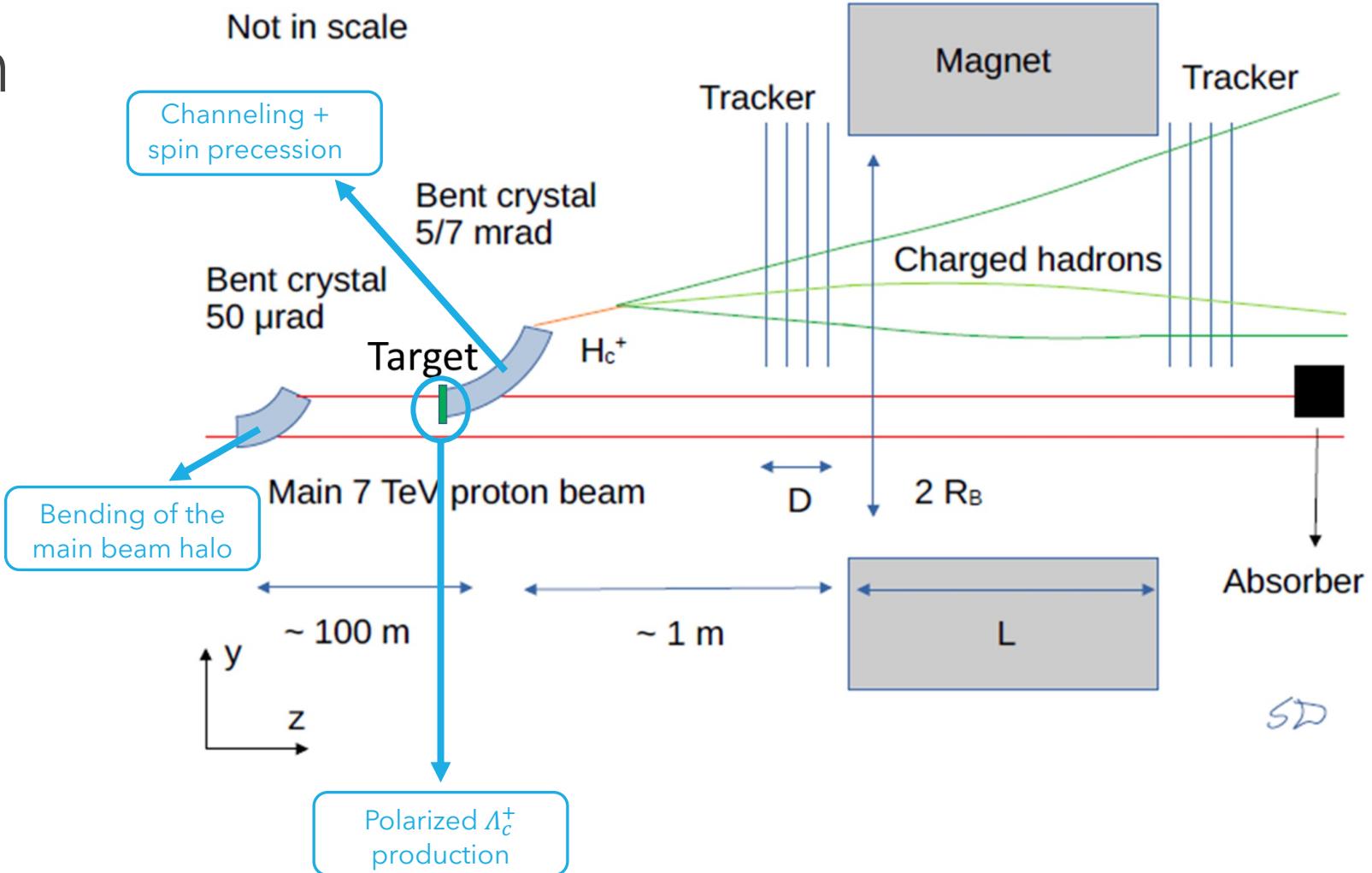


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Fixed target experiment with bent crystals

Two different scenarios:

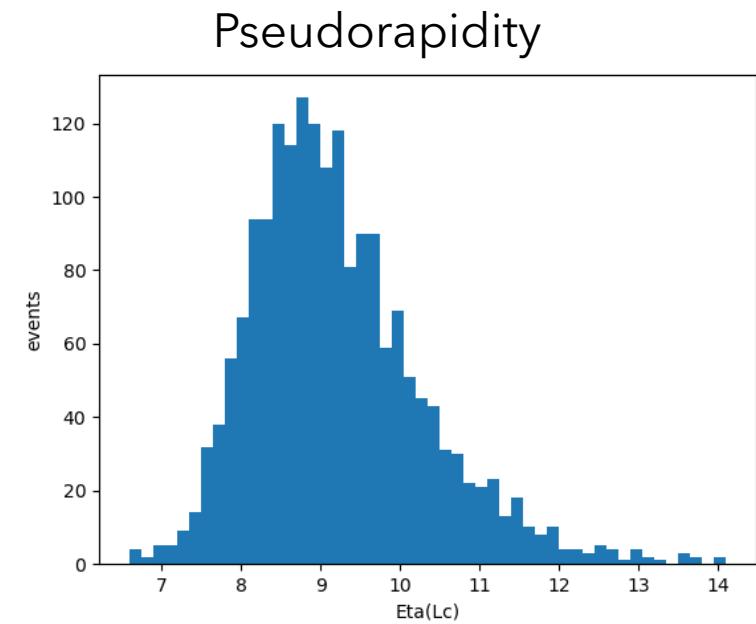
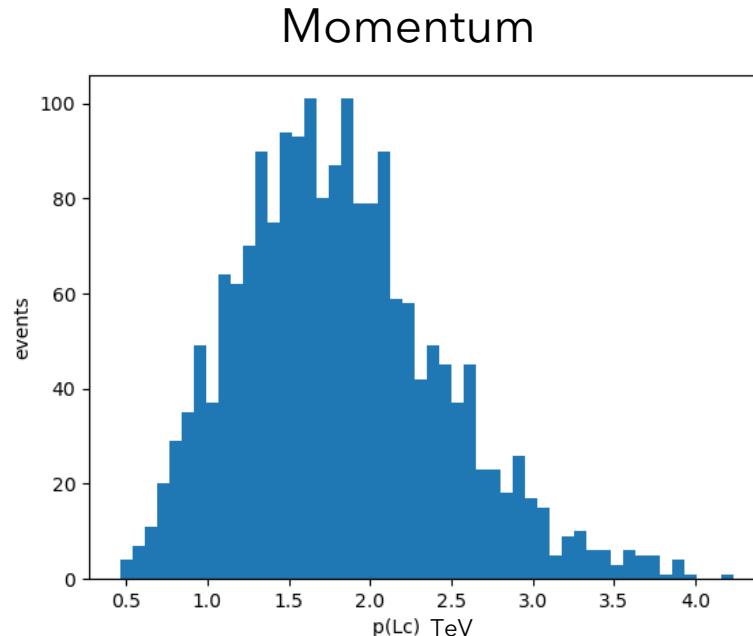
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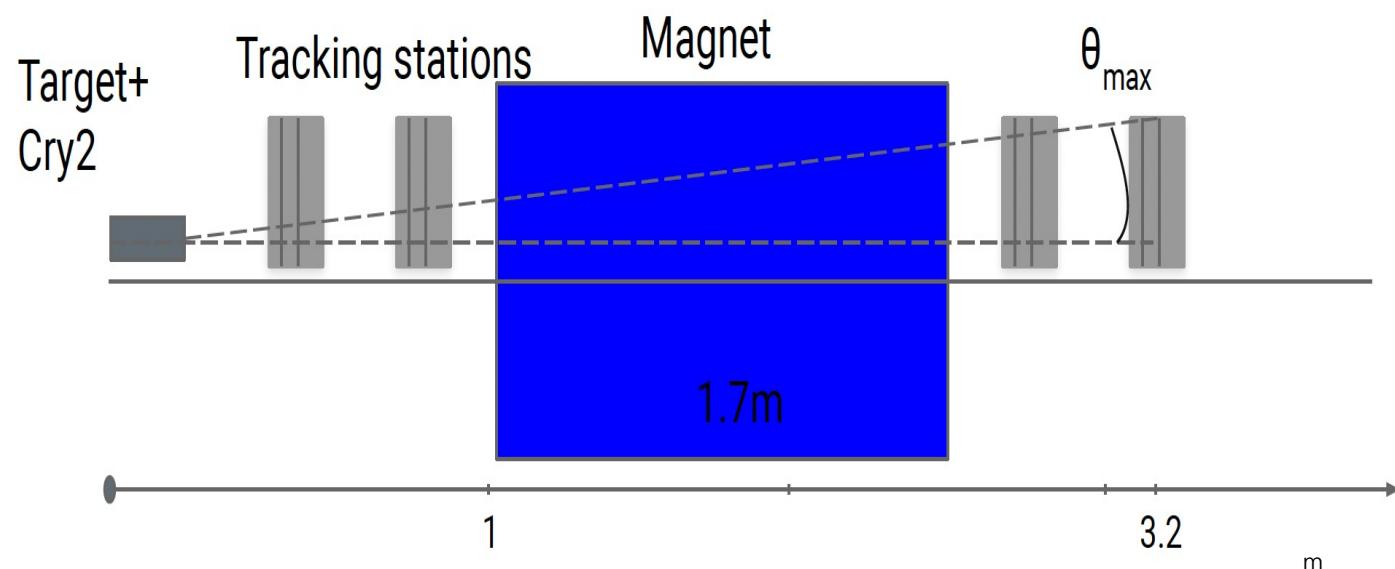
Λ_c^+ production and kinematic

Λ_c^+ **production spectra** from Pythia after channeling through 7cm length, 7mrad bent Si crystal.

Starting from the 7 TeV protons of LHC, the charm baryons are produced in a **very forward** direction and with very high momentum, higher than **1 TeV**.



Geometrical Acceptance at IR3



Designed as a forward spectrometer to give access to **zero angle production** of positive charged particles.

The bent crystals allow to extract the main beam halo and place the tracking layers in front of the target.

Pseudorapidity $5 < \eta < 10$

The upper limit is given by the granularity of the tracking sensors.

Very forward region!
Complementary to LHCb

$2 < \eta < 5$

Expected luminosity

Fixed target experiment

$$\mathcal{L} = \phi_{\text{projectile}} \times \theta_{\text{Nucleon}}$$

$$\theta_{\text{Nucleon}} = \frac{N_A \rho l A}{M}$$

$$\rho = 19.3 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$N_A = 6.02 \cdot 10^{23}$$

$$l = 2 \text{ cm}$$

$$M = 184 \text{ g/mol}$$

The first bent crystal is aligned to the **secondary halo** of the main proton beam of LHC at 7 TeV.

The halo extraction allows to have a flux of proton on the 2 cm W target of 10^6 p/s.

$$\theta_{\text{Nucleon}} = 0.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

Flux: 10^6 p/s

2 years of data taking

Time(s)/year: 0.69×10^6

Instantaneous Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} = 0.9 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$$

Integrated Luminosity

$$\int \mathcal{L} = 12 \text{ pb}^{-1}$$

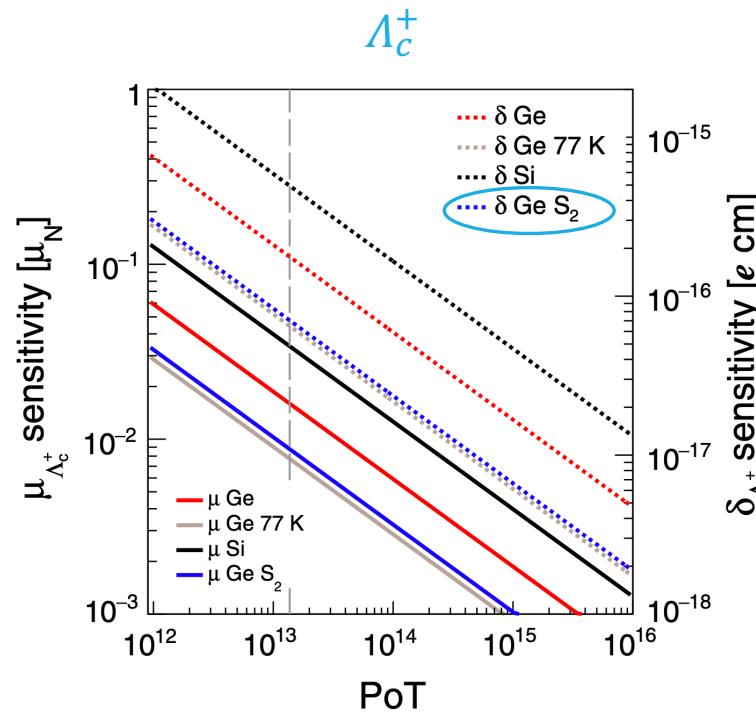
Sensitivity on EDM/MDM

LHCb

EDM precision = 2×10^{-16} e cm

MDM precision = 4%

- 2 cm W target
- Flux of 10^6 p/sec
- 2 years of data taking → total of 1.37×10^{13} PoT



At IR3

EDM precision = 7×10^{-17} e cm

MDM precision = 2%

The experiment at IR3 gains a factor 2 in precision and has a higher flux



higher PoT &/or reduced data taking time

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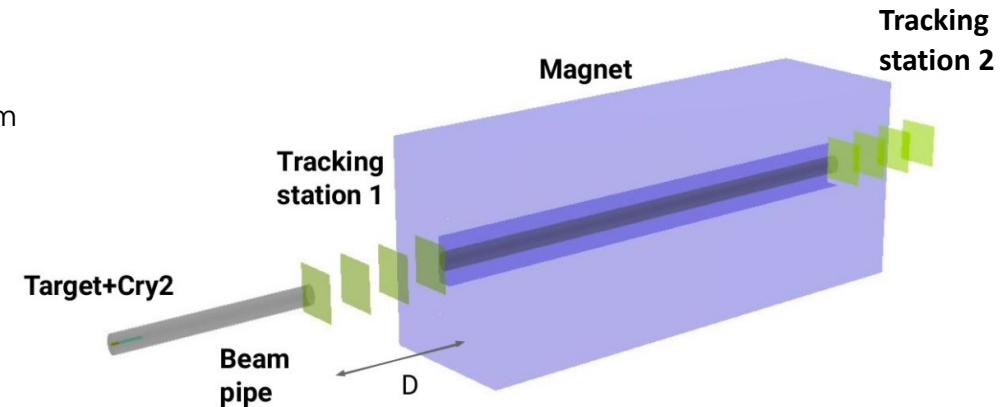
Simulation studies with DD4hep

Optimization of the detector setup for the EDM/MDMs and Λ_c^+ measurements.

Simulation framework:

- Geometry based on DD4Hep
- Generators: Phythia/Angantyr model, particle gun, general particle source
- Visualisation: geoDisplay
- Event model: DDG4
- Channeling: Geant4
- Tracking: GenFit

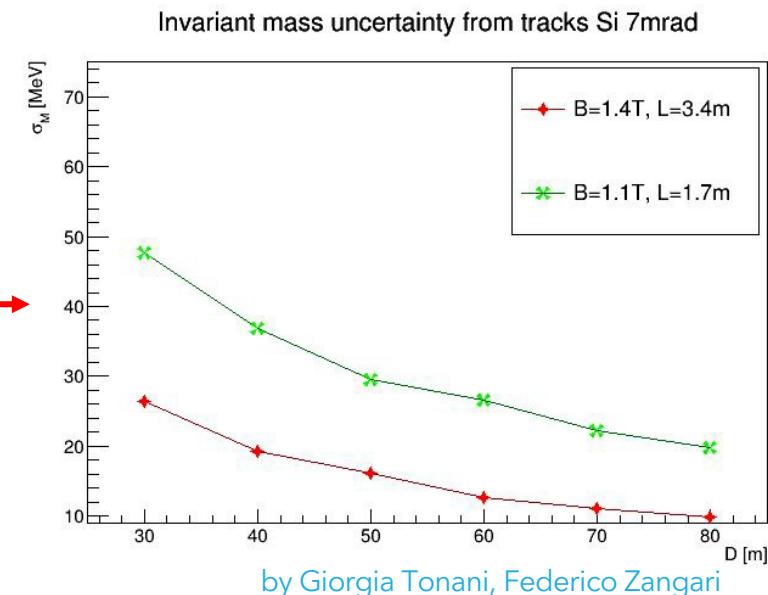
- Beam pipe: Cu OFE, elliptical form
- Target: W, 2 cm long
- Cry 2: Si, 7 cm long, 7 mrad
- MCBW Magnet: Fe, at 1m from crystal $B=1.1\text{ T}$, $L=1.7\text{ m}$
- Tracking stations: 8 modules.
4 before - 4 after magnet



Parametric simulations to study
magnet acceptance and $\mathbf{m(pK^- \pi^+)}$
resolution vs detector geometry

Invariant mass resolution versus
tracker lenght

$\sigma_M < 50\text{ MeV}$ for tracker lenght $D > 40\text{ cm}$



Occupancy and acceptance of the detector

Simulation for 10^6 p/s on 2.0 cm of W target

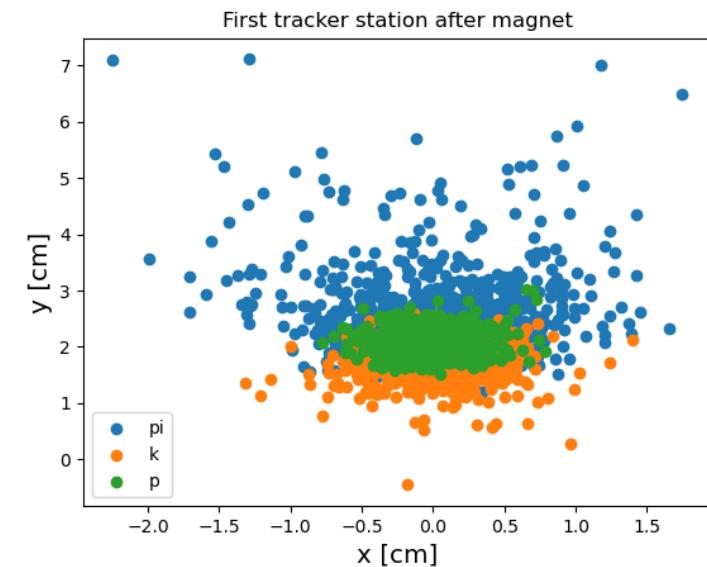
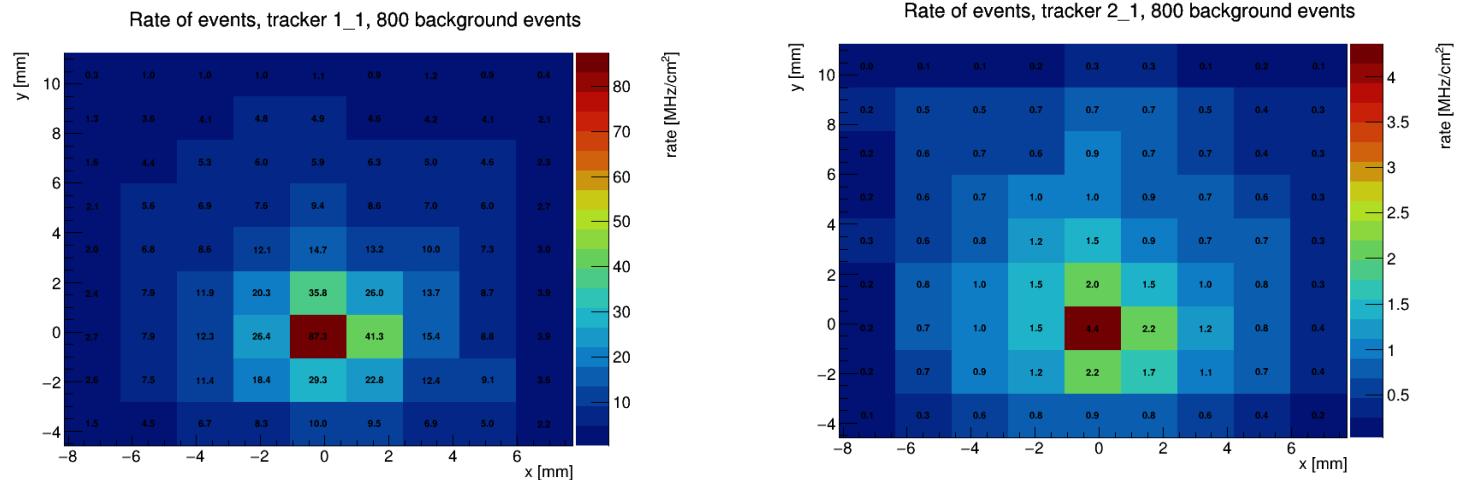
Rate/area in pixel sensors :

Before magnet <100 MHz/cm² (left plot)

After magnet <10 MHz/cm² (right plot)

Hit distribution for channeled $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ decays

Acceptance with 1 tile ~90%



Other physics opportunities

1. Cross section measurements for D mesons production

RESULTS:

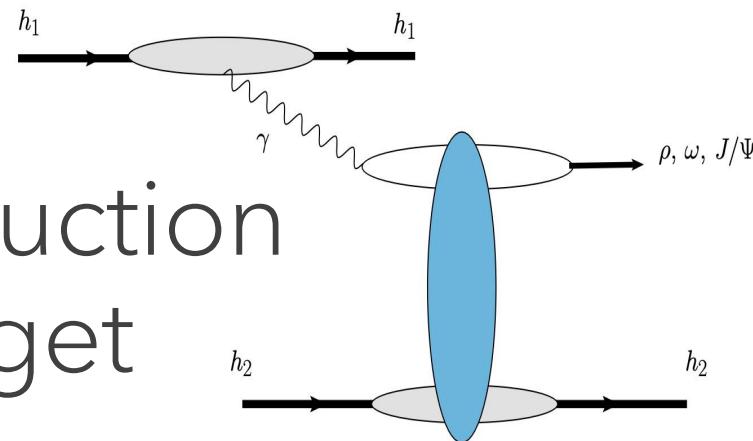
- $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, most abundant decay:
⇒ **O(1000)** of events in **few days**
- D_s^+ and Λ_c^+ :
resolvable with $\text{reso} < 50 \text{ MeV}$
⇒ **O(1000)** of events in **~2 months**

Unique forward acceptance $5 < \eta < 10$

Worth to enlarge the physics case!

Unique opportunity to study not only Λ_c^+ forward production but also D mesons and to measure their cross sections.

Photoproduction in fixed-target



2. Meson photoproduction:

J/ψ photoproduction in ultraperipheral collisions
pW at $\sqrt{s} = 115$ GeV

- Estimated Yield: 26000 in two years of datataking

3. Pentaquarks photoproduction:

- Estimated Cross section: $\sigma_{Pc} = 0.5 \text{ nb} / \sqrt{5} = 0.2 \text{ nb}$
- Estimated Yield: 400 in two years of datataking

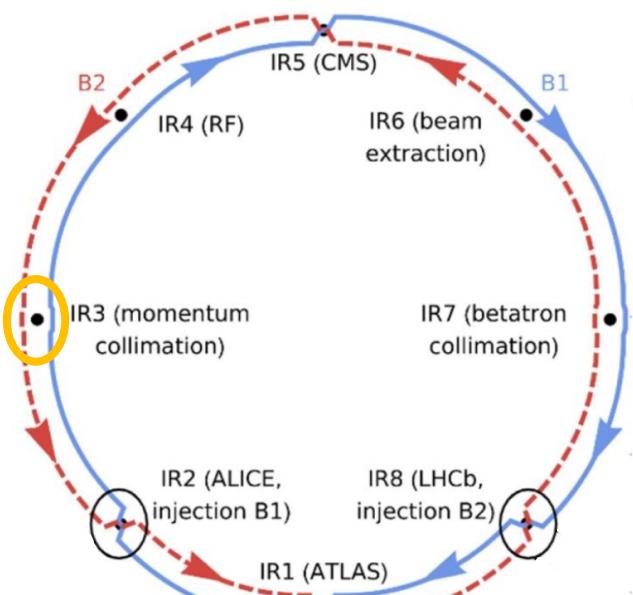
The cross section has been estimated starting from upper limit of GlueX in 2019 and scaled to their new statistic.

These are preliminary estimates → More detailed studies are needed and will be done using the MC STARLight package

Need for the addition of Muon chambers and PID detector

Proof-of-Principle test

Phase 0 - PoP at IR3



A first proof-of-principle test is scheduled before the end of 2025 at IR3 of the two collimation region of LHC.

Goals of the test:

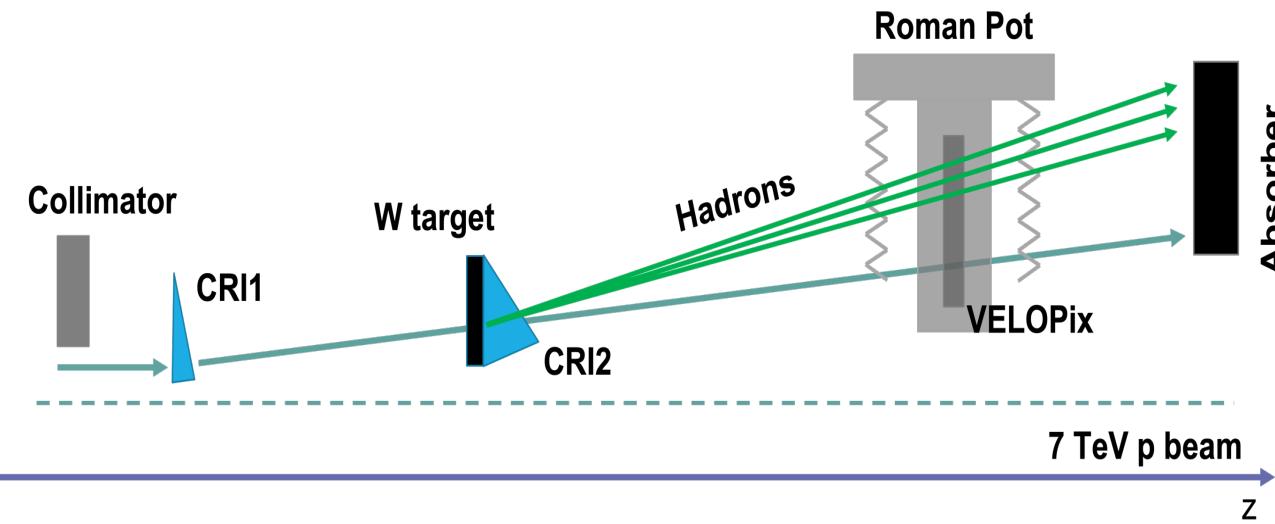
1. Control channeling of secondary halo
2. Measure channeling efficiency of long crystals at TeV energies
3. Test PoT rate capability and identify challenges

Advantages with respect to IR8 (LHCb):

- Single-beam vacuum pipe
- Collimation region with no nearby cold magnets
- Lower bending angle → higher channeling efficiency
- No interference from other upstream devices of LHCb

Experimental set-up

- Short crystal for beam-halo deflection
- W target
- Long crystal for Λ_c^+ channeling
- One tracking station in a Roman Pot (phase 0)
- Absorber



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Ongoing R&D: Crystals



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Goniometer with accuracy on position $\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ and rotation angle $\sim 20 \mu\text{rad}$

Short crystal: length 4 mm, bending angle 55 μrad .

Long crystal: length 70 mm, bending angle 7 mrad.

Pixel sensors for tracking

PCIe40 VeloPix readout board

FPGA Intel Arria 10

24 optical links

max throughput 100 Gbit/s

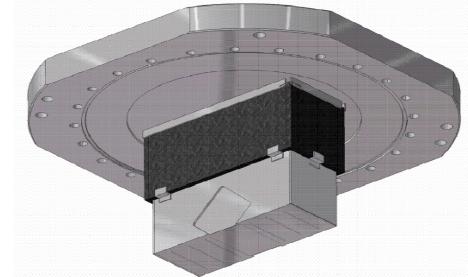
VELO sensors for Tracker stations

housed inside Roman Pots

- 55x55 μm^2 pixel
- pixel hit rate **600 MHz/cm²**
- 12 μm hit resolution
- Tile : silicon sensors bump-bonded to 3 ASICs (1.4x4.2 cm²)

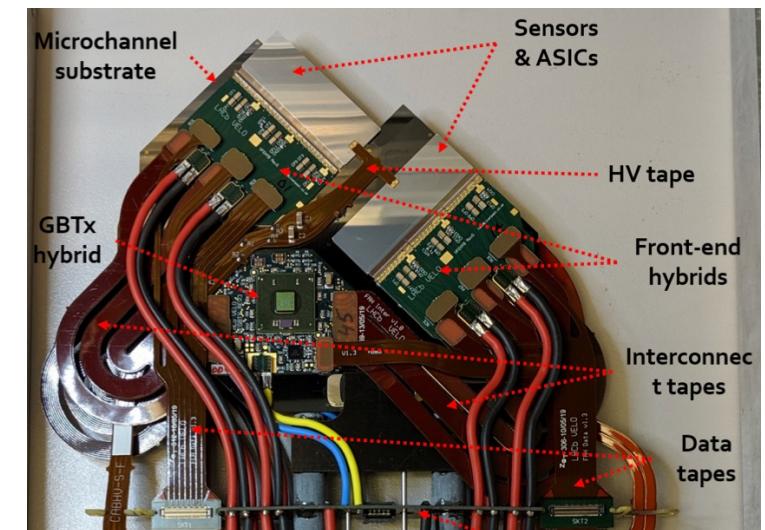
Full spectrometer - 8 layers of single VELO tiles.

Roman Pots



The pots are cylindrical vessels, which are **separated from the machine vacuum** and equipped with bellows that allow the pots to approach the beam.

Detectors are placed inside the pot and the primary vacuum is preserved.



Summary

- Opportunity for unique physics case at LHC with a fixed-target experiment in the very forward region: **MDM/EDM of charm baryons**, study of **charm hadron production**, study of **Pentaquark** ($P_c \rightarrow J/\psi p$) in photoproduction
- Two possible scenarios for the final experiment: LHCb vs IR3
- First Proof of Principle in 2025 at LHC IR3
- R&D in advanced status to start soon the construction of the IR3 setup

Thank you for the
attention!

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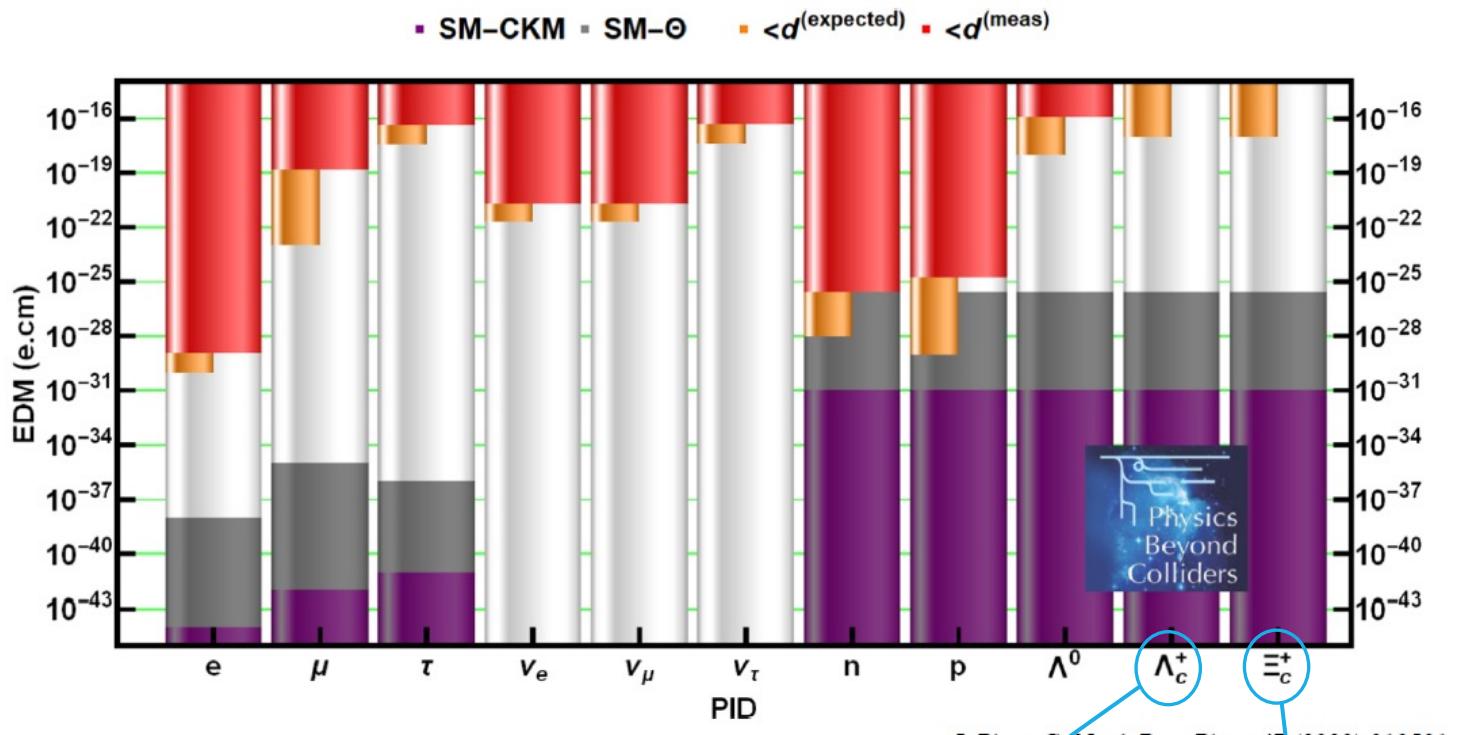
Backup slides

Status of EDM measurements

No direct measurements of EDM for charmed baryons due to their short lifetime.

For the charm quark (chromo-) EDM only indirect limits exist based on the experimental bounds on the neutron EDM.

(EDM $\Lambda < 10^{-26}$ e cm)



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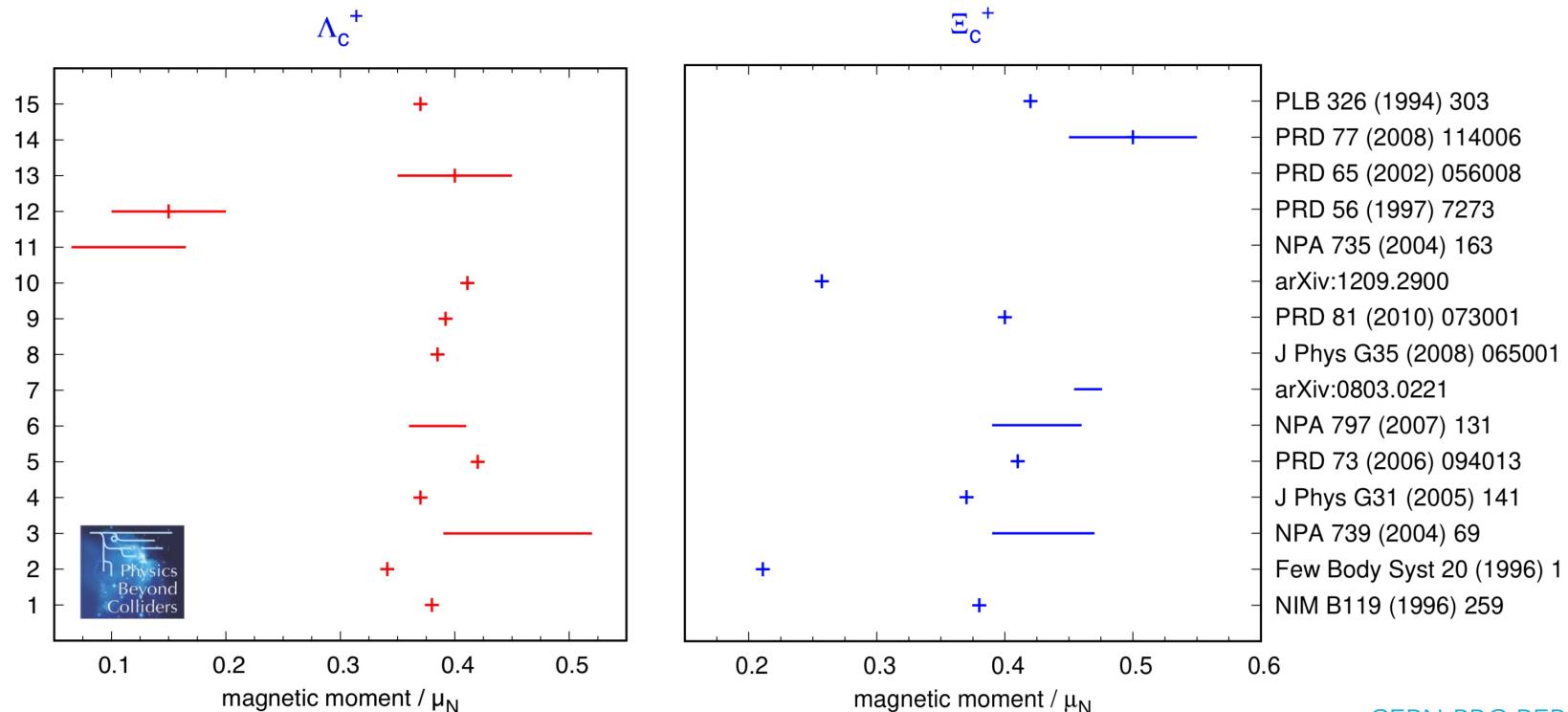
$\tau \sim 10^{-13} \text{ s}$

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MDM theoretical predictions

MDM measurements would provide important anchor points for QCD calculations, helping to discriminate between **different models** and would improve the current understanding of the **internal structure of hadrons**.



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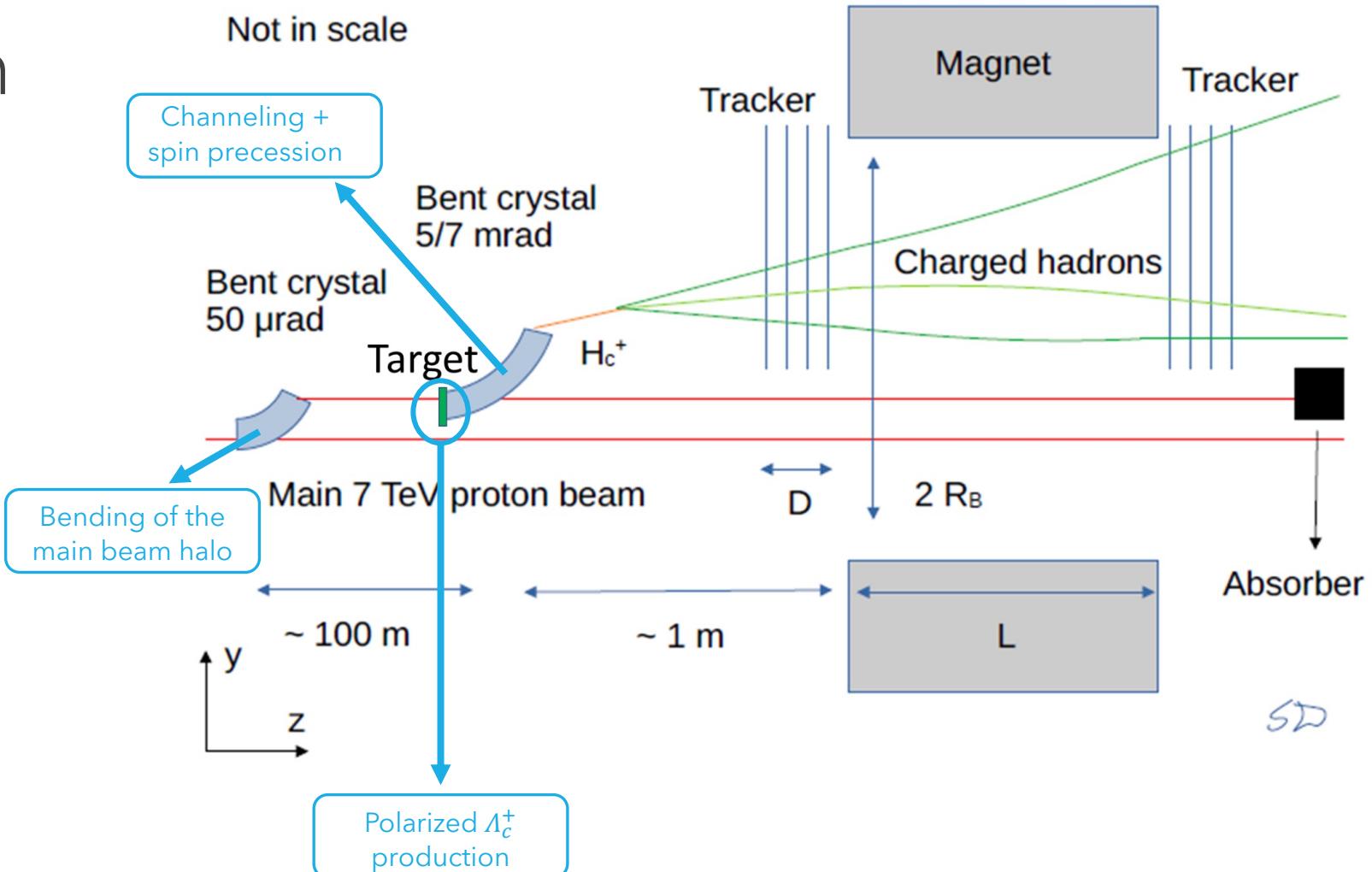
Fixed target experiment with bent crystals

Phase 0: PoP at IR3 (RUN 3)

Phase I: set-up to perform first physics measurements (RUN 4)

Phase II: set-up to perform ultimate precision physics measurements (RUN 5)

1. Target placed in front of the LHCb detector.
2. New independent experiment at IR3 (LHC).



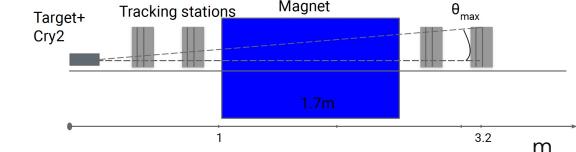
Lhcb

- ★ Excellent spectrometer, just required to install target + bent crystal in front
- ★ High bending of Cry1 and angular cuts of absorbers at 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

New experiment

- ★ Low bending of Cry1 and collimators already in place at IR3 [1]
- ★ Forward acceptance, less bending crystal (5/7 mrad) with higher efficiency
- ★ Possibility of higher flux 10^6 p/s → higher Λ_c yield
- ★ New spectrometer, high investment and long time needed

Geometrical acceptance



Pseudorapidity y [5:10]

Very forward region!
Complementary to LHCb

Luminosity at IR3

Flux: 10^6 p/s

$$\mathcal{L} = 1.26 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

Time(s)/year: 0.69×10^6

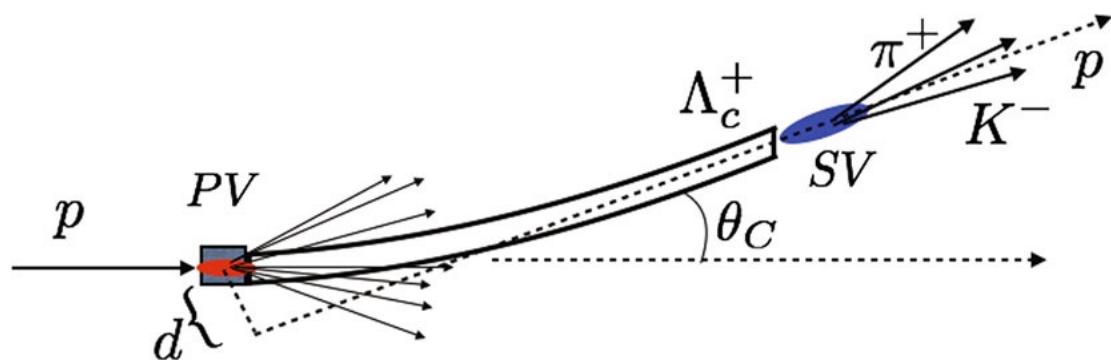
2 years

$$\int \mathcal{L} = 1.78 \text{ pb}^{-1}$$

Charm production

Double crystal fixed-target setup gives access to **zero angle production** of positive charged particles (e.g charm baryons and mesons)

Kinematic variable	> 15 mrad (~SMOG2)	Ge 293K 16 mrad 10 cm
Momentum (GeV)	< 500	>800
Transverse momentum	> 0.5	< 1
Pseudorapidity*	-4 to 0, central & backward	1 to 3.5, very forward
Momentum transfer Q	20 to 115	≈ 4
Bjorken-x	Down to $\approx 10^{-3.5}$	Down to $\approx 10^{-3}$
Feyman-x	Large negative	Large positive



Charm production

	Λ_c^+ baryon			
σ ($\mu\text{b}/\text{nucleon}$)			10.6	
$a = (g - 2)/2$			≈ -0.03	$[-0.76]$
d			0	
\mathcal{B}_{eff} (%)	20.2	19.5	20.6	20.6
ϵ_{CH} ($\times 10^{-4}$)	4.5	2.7	8.7	11.1
ϵ_{DF} ($\times 10^{-2}$)	3.3	1.7	4.9	13.1
N_{rec}	586	181	1748	5879
$\langle \gamma \rangle$	709	573	834	855
$\langle p_{\text{T}} \rangle$ (GeV/c^2)	0.79	0.71	0.86	0.87
s_x (%)	11.8	8.6	14.1	15.6
s_y (%)	-15.3	-14.2	-16.1	-16.1
σ_{μ} ($\times 10^{-2} \mu_{\text{N}}$)	1.6	3.4	0.8	0.9
σ_{δ} ($\times 10^{-16} e \text{ cm}$)	2.2 [9.8]	5.6 [17.1]	0.9 [5.7]	1.0 [2.9]

Other physics opportunities

Cross section measurements for D mesons production

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
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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

by Daniele Marangotto

D mesons yields

Yields for positive charm hadrons decaying to three charged tracks

- ▶ $D^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^+$, $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+$, $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$

Starting from PRD 103, 072003 (2021)

- ▶ Dedicated fixed-target experiment scenario with 7 TeV proton beam, intensity $10^6 p/s$
- ▶ Λ_c^+ production spectrum from Pythia after channeling through 7cm length, 7mrad bent Ge crystal

Rescaled to D^+ , D_s^+ meson case

- ▶ Longer meson lifetime ($\tau_{D^+} = 1$ ps, $\tau_{D_s^+} = 0.5$ ps, $\tau_{\Lambda_c^+} = 0.2$ ps), assuming same energy spectrum
- ▶ Different branching ratios and c-quark fragmentation fractions

Rescaled for different crystal material and bending using simulation described earlier (Slide 5)

Considered acceptance for MCBW magnet with $R_B = 2.5$ cm

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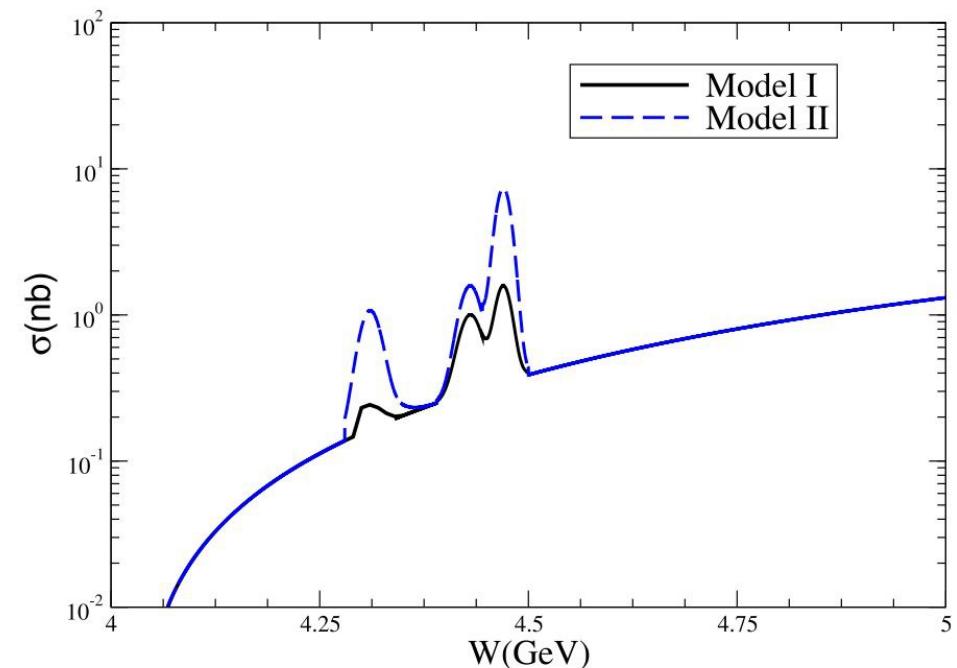
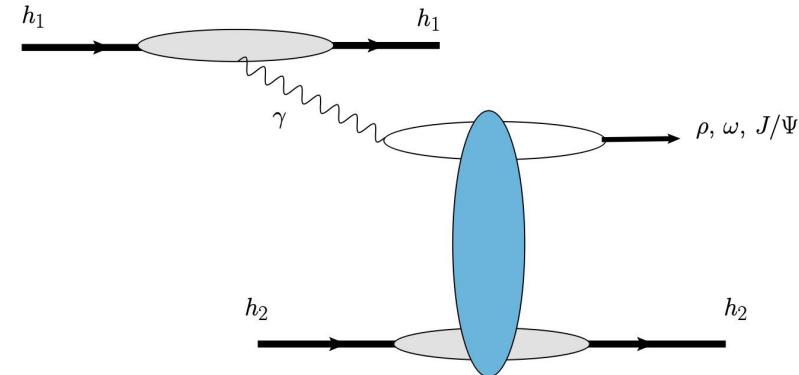
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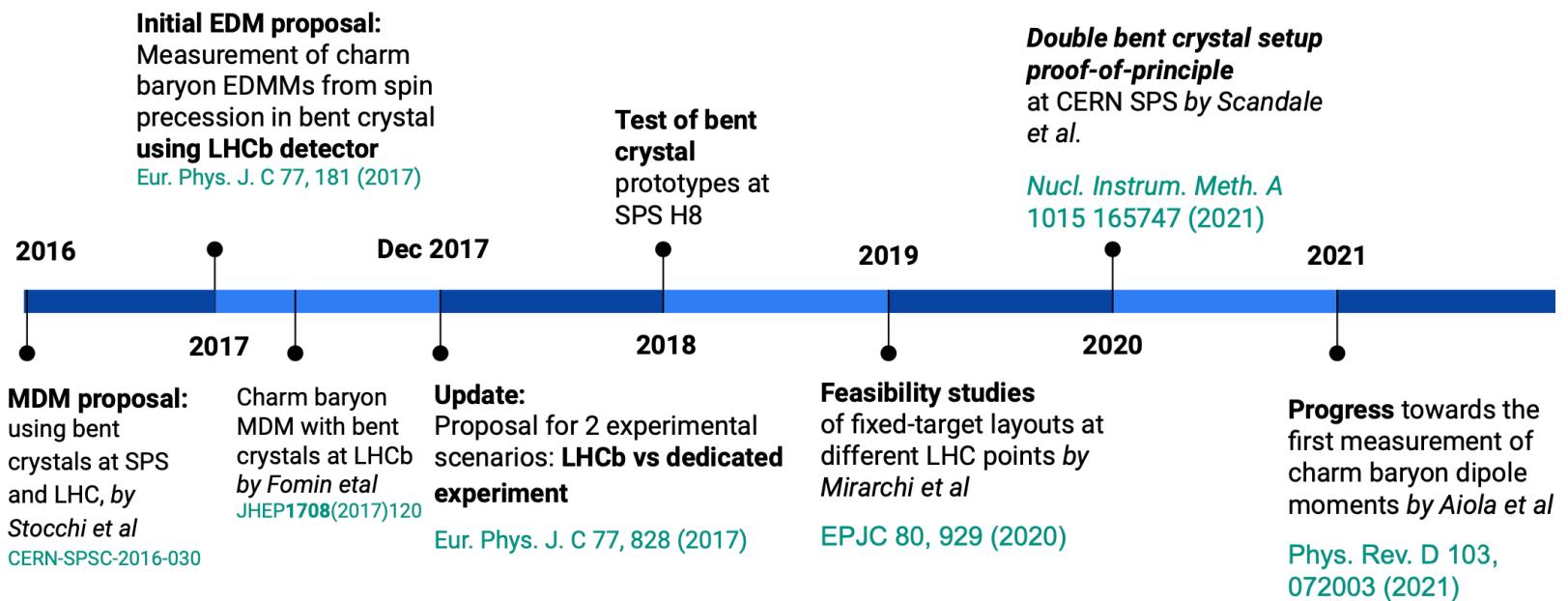
We expect an enhancement in the pseudorapidity range

$$5 < \eta < 8$$



History of the proposal

Developed in the framework of the CERN Physics Beyond Collider WG by groups with complementary expertise: LHCb, LHC collimation, UA9



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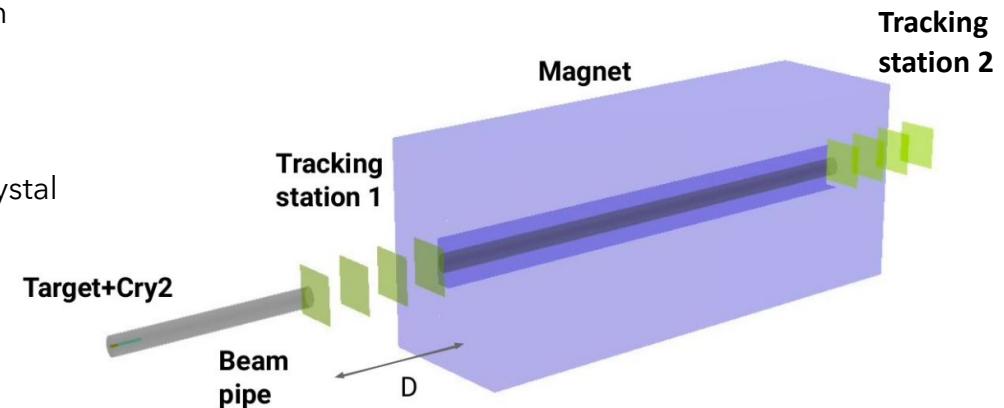
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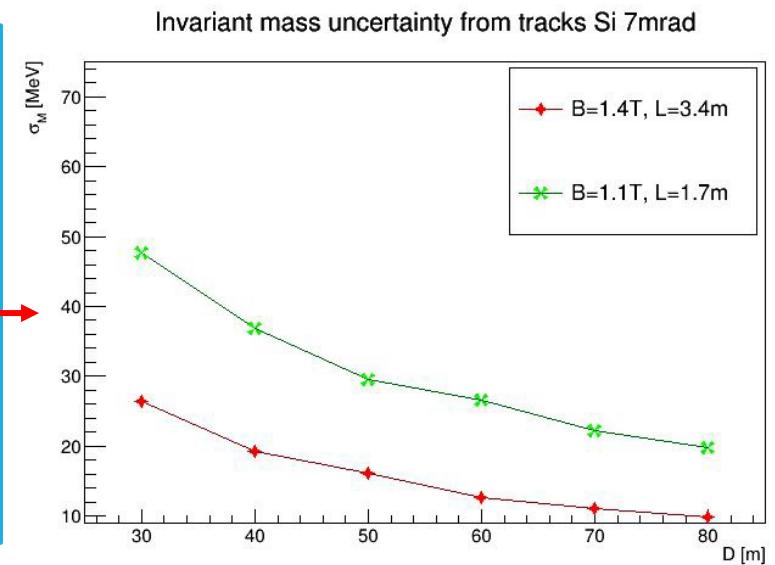
Tracking stations: 8 modules
4 before - 4 after magnet



Parametric simulations to study magnet acceptance and $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{pK}^-\pi^+)$ resolution vs detector geometry

Invariant mass resolution versus tracker lenght

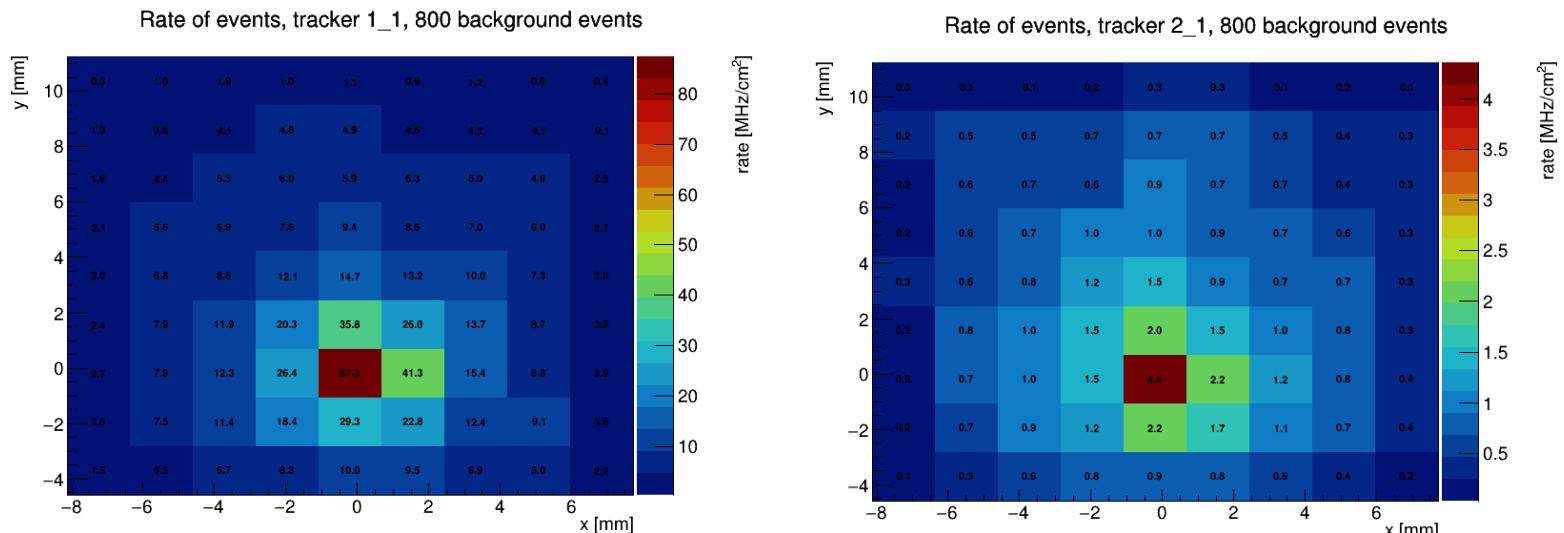
$\sigma_M < 50\text{ MeV}$ for tracker lenght $D > 40\text{ cm}$



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Occupancy and Acceptance studies

Simulation for 10^6 p/s on 2.0 cm of W target



Rate/area in pixel sensors :

Before magnet <100 MHz/cm^2

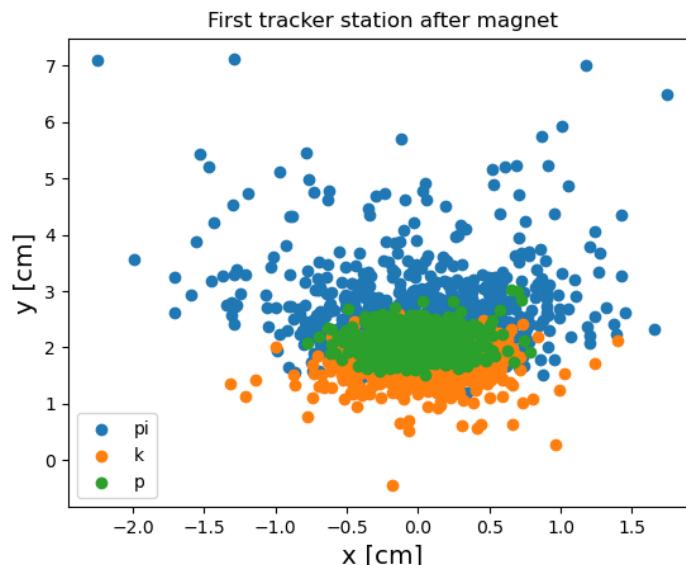
(left plot)

After magnet <10 MHz/cm^2

(right plot)

Hit distribution for channeled $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$ decays

Acceptance with 1 tile ~90%



Channeling efficiency

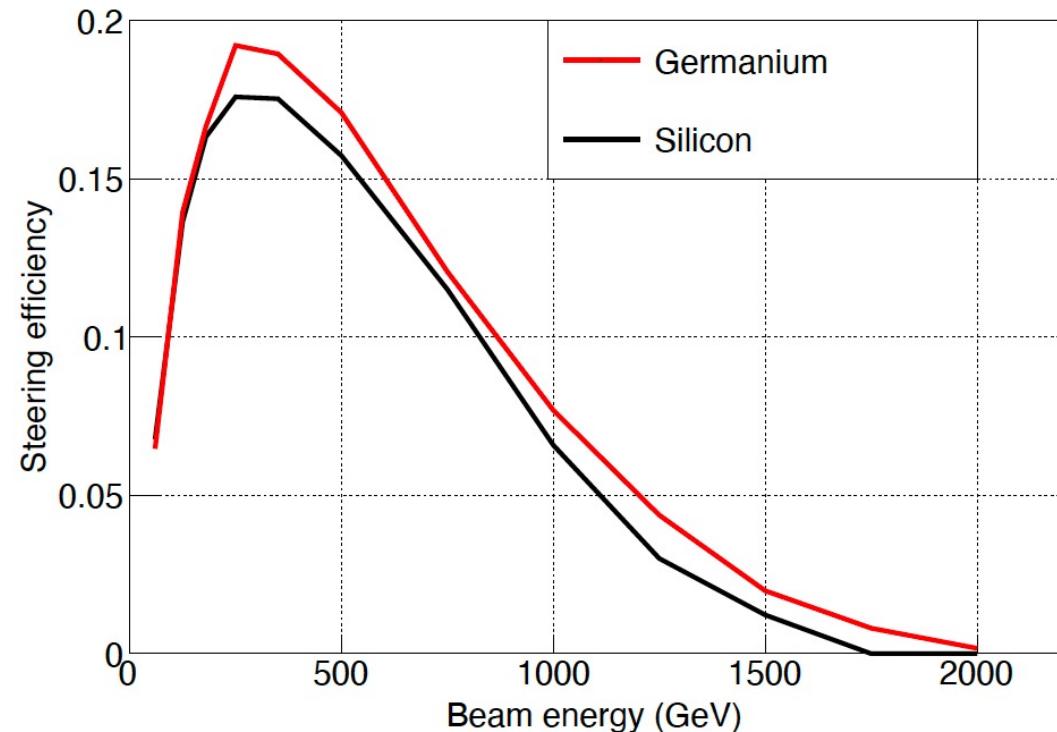
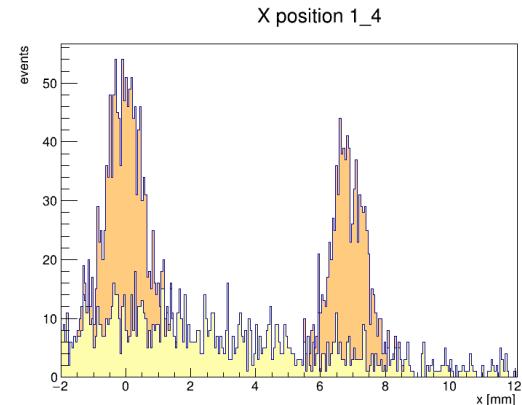
The first goal of the PoP is the measurement of the channeling efficiency.

Simulations of the channeling efficiency are performed using Geant4.

Needs to be validated on data:
At IR3 possibility of dedicated runs at different energies > 450 GeV

The channeling efficiency was previously measured with an hadron beam of 180 GeV at SPS.

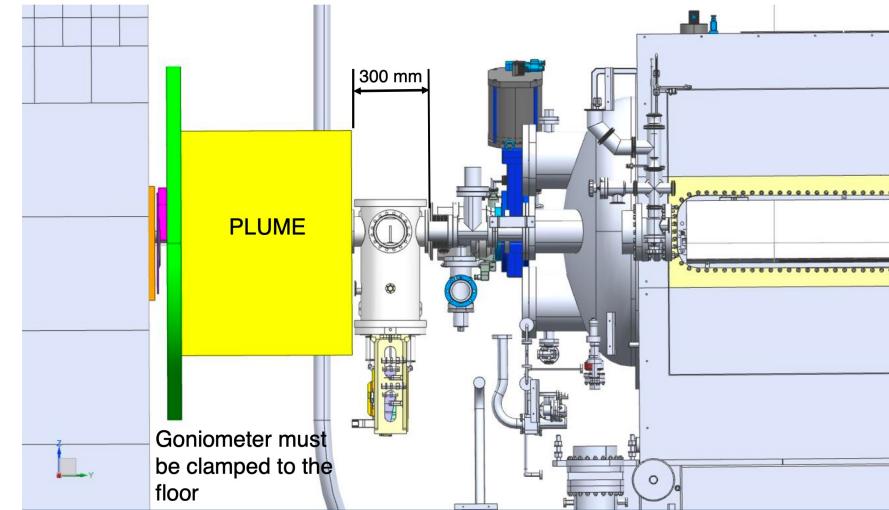
S. Aiola et al., Phys. Rev. D 103 (2021) 072003



Fixed target experiment at LHCb

Goniometer for target+crystal positioned in the region upstream of the LHCb detector.

Compatible with ultra-high vacuum operations.



Full simulation of fixed-target setup: W target + crystal

- Good performance for signal and background
- The crystal should be rotated to improve the efficiency
- $\nu_{target} \lesssim 0.01$ with 10^6 p/s on target
- About 10^{-4} Λ_c^+ are channelled and have high momentum $p \gtrsim 1$ TeV
- Good resolution on production and decay vertex

