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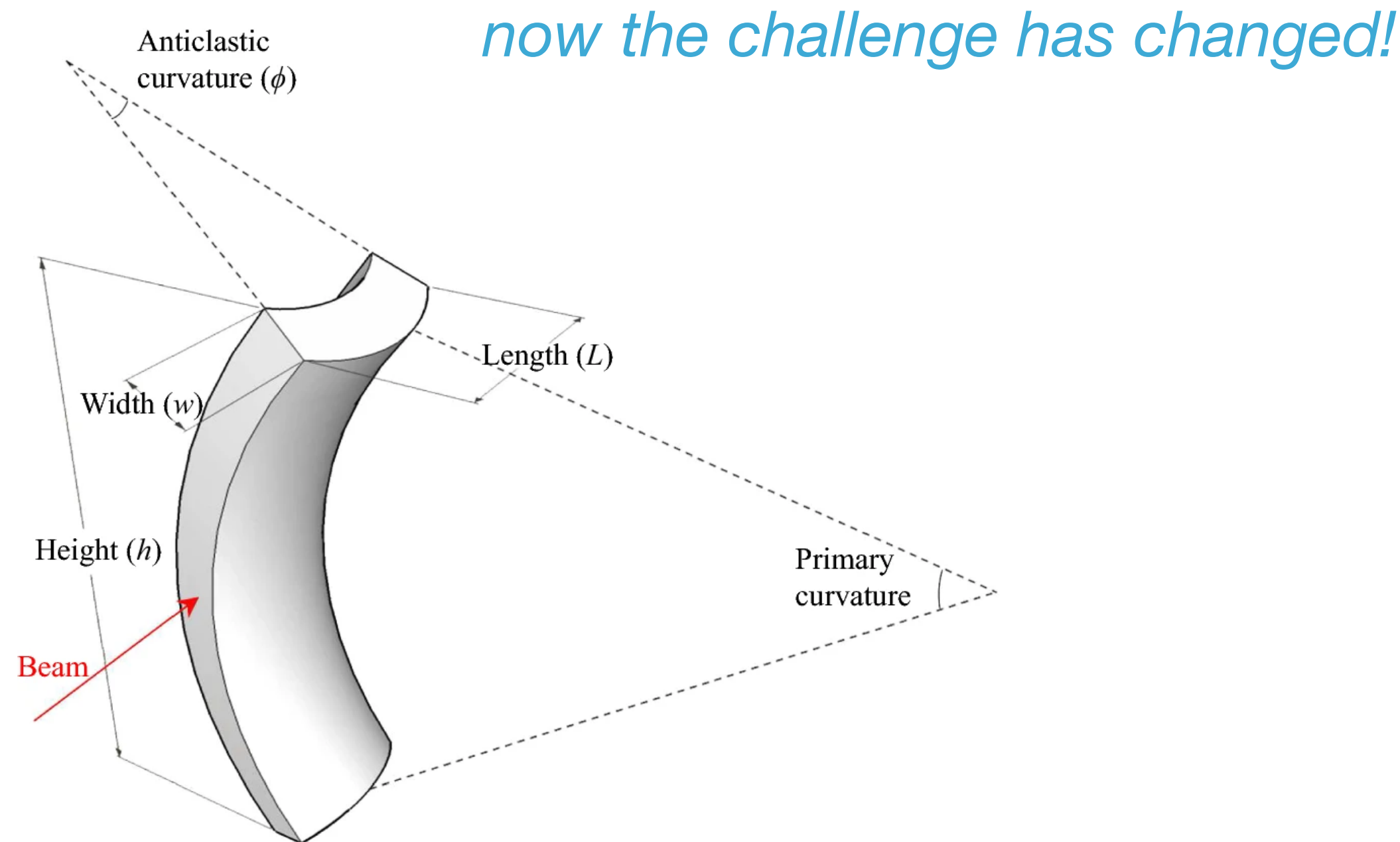
BEAM SUPERIMPOSITION WITH BENT CRYSTALS

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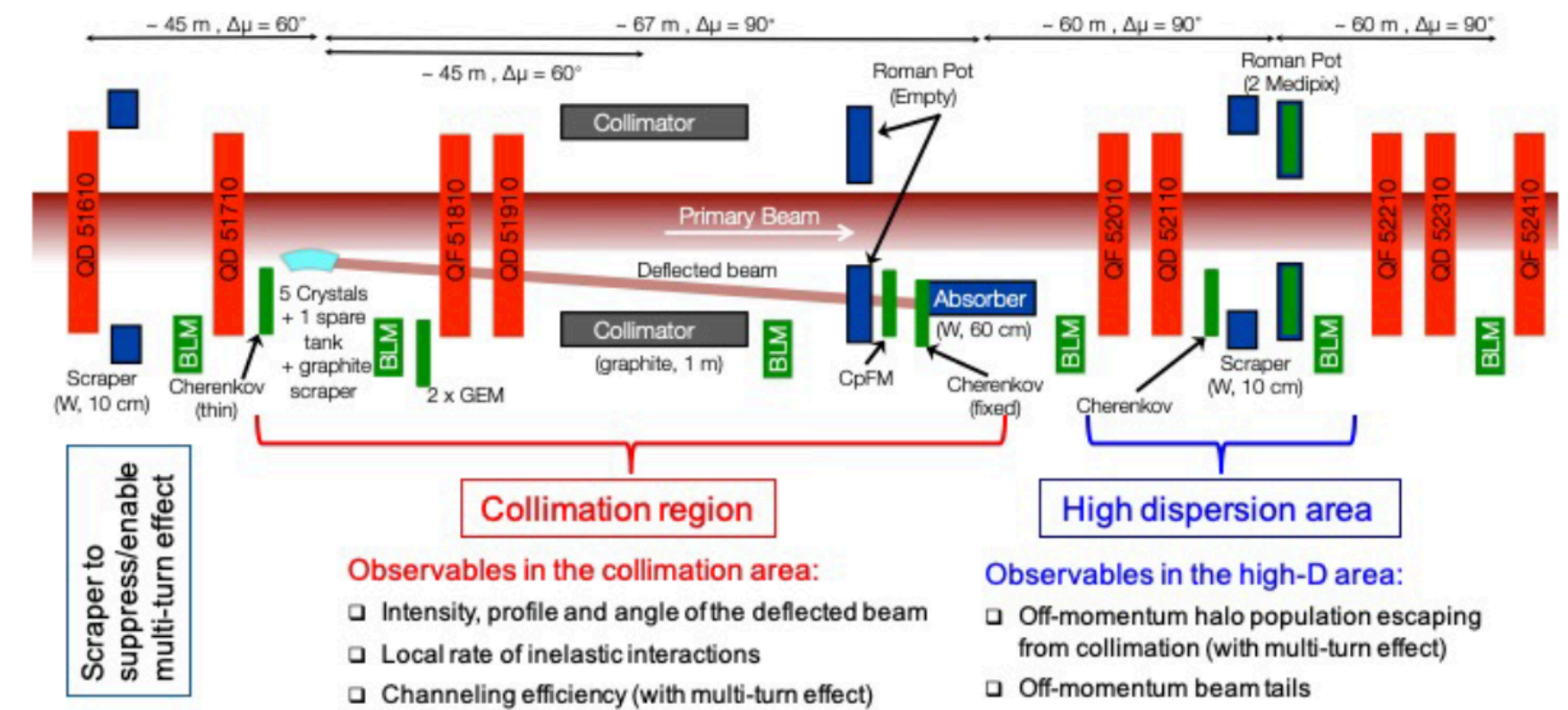


Bent Crystals

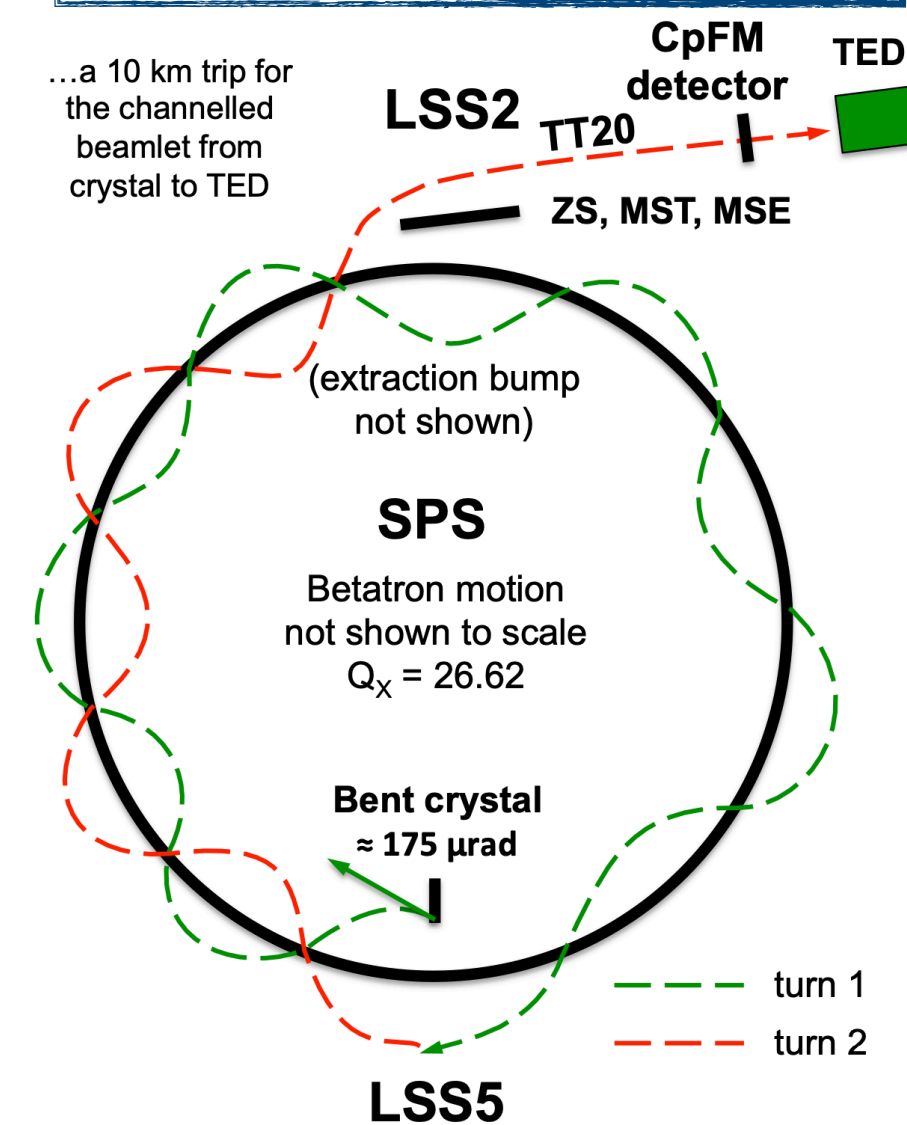
- Channeling phenomena in bent crystal has been investigated in the past decades
- profiting from anticlastic crystal deformation bending up to few *mrad* has been achieved
- Beam steering been experimentally demonstrated for particles ranging from 3 MeV to 1 TeV in energy



Beam Halo cleaning

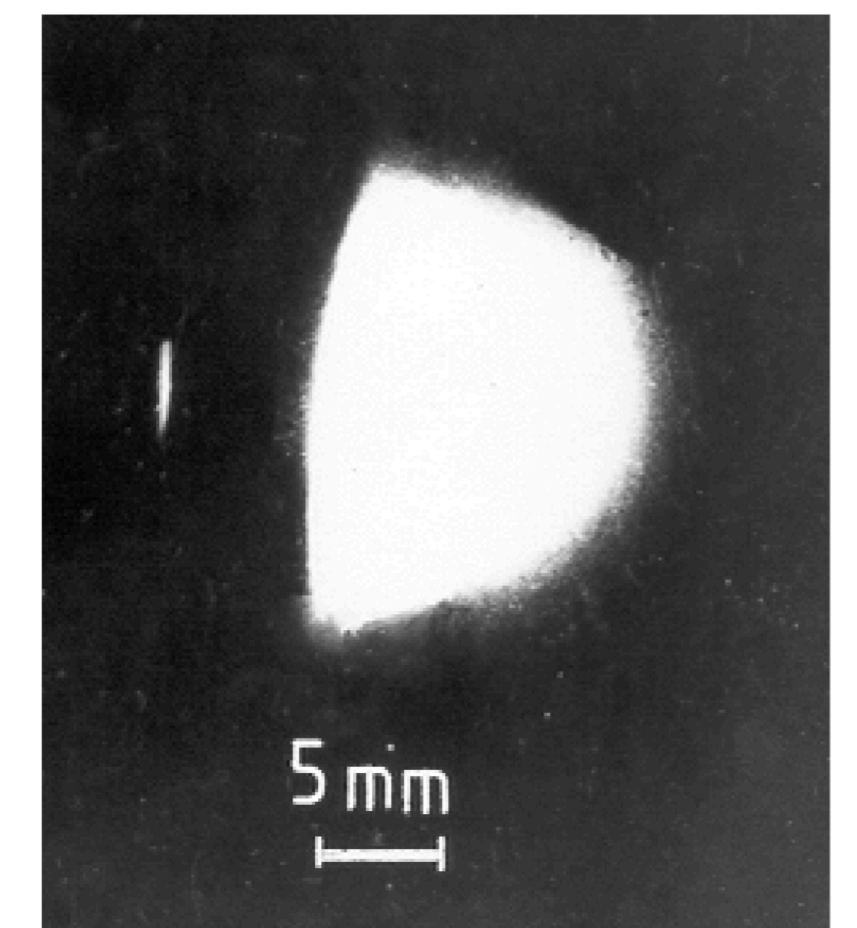


Slow beam extraction



U-70 beam extraction

[PRL 87, 094802 \(2001\)](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1211111)



[arXiv:1707.05151](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.05151)

Beam recombination

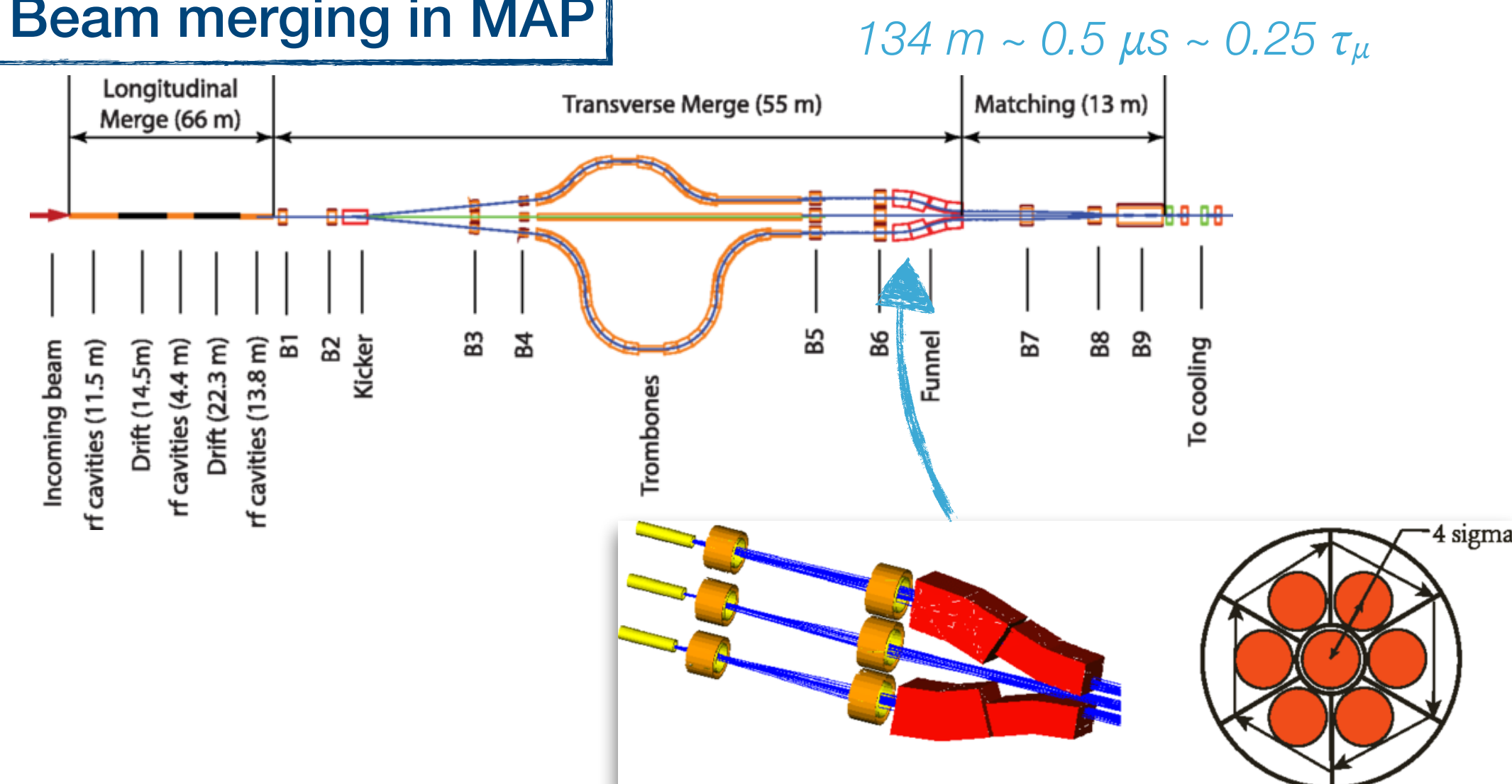
- Colliders profit from high instantaneous luminosity, which leads to more data collected by experiments (higher sensitivity, higher precision)
- Beam transverse cooling is a crucial aspect to achieve high luminosity
- To overcome single beam production limitations, recombination of multiple beams is a technique to increase the accelerator luminosity
- Optical techniques have intrinsic limitations, can only set beams side-to-side

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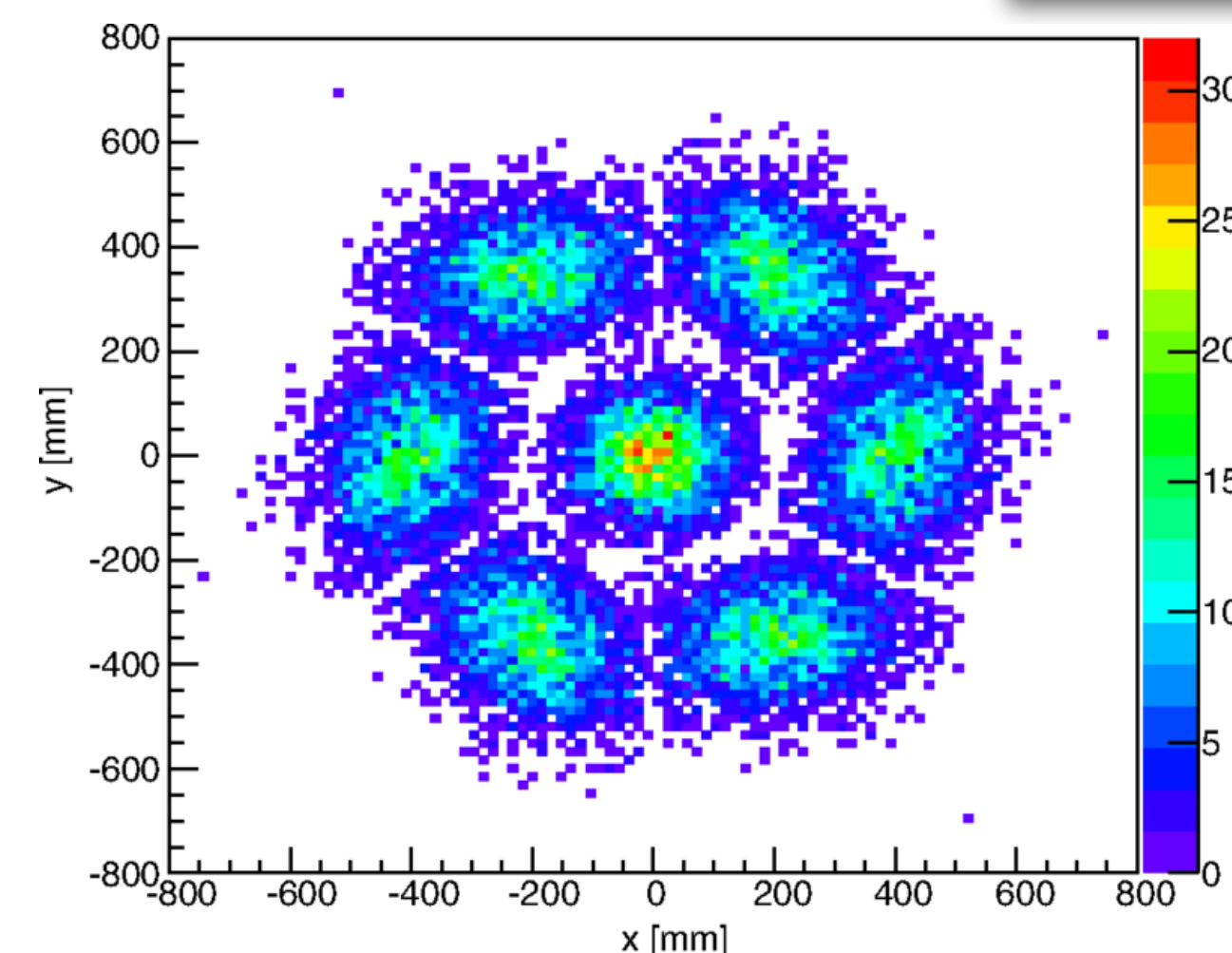
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{fN_1N_2}{4\pi\sigma_x^*\sigma_y^*} \Rightarrow \frac{fN^2}{4\pi\sigma^2}$$

σ depending on beam emittance and accelerator lattice

e.g. Beam merging in MAP

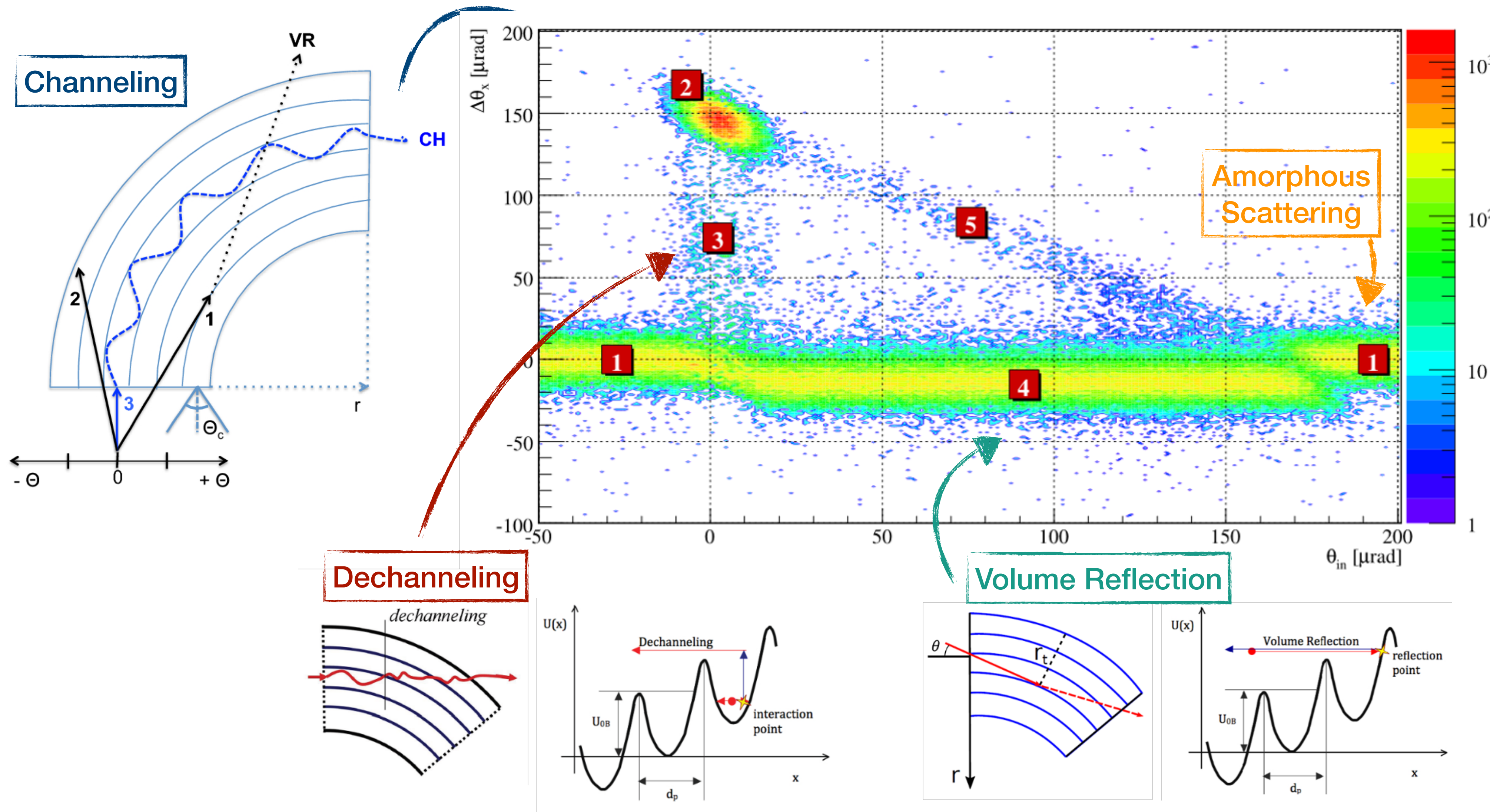


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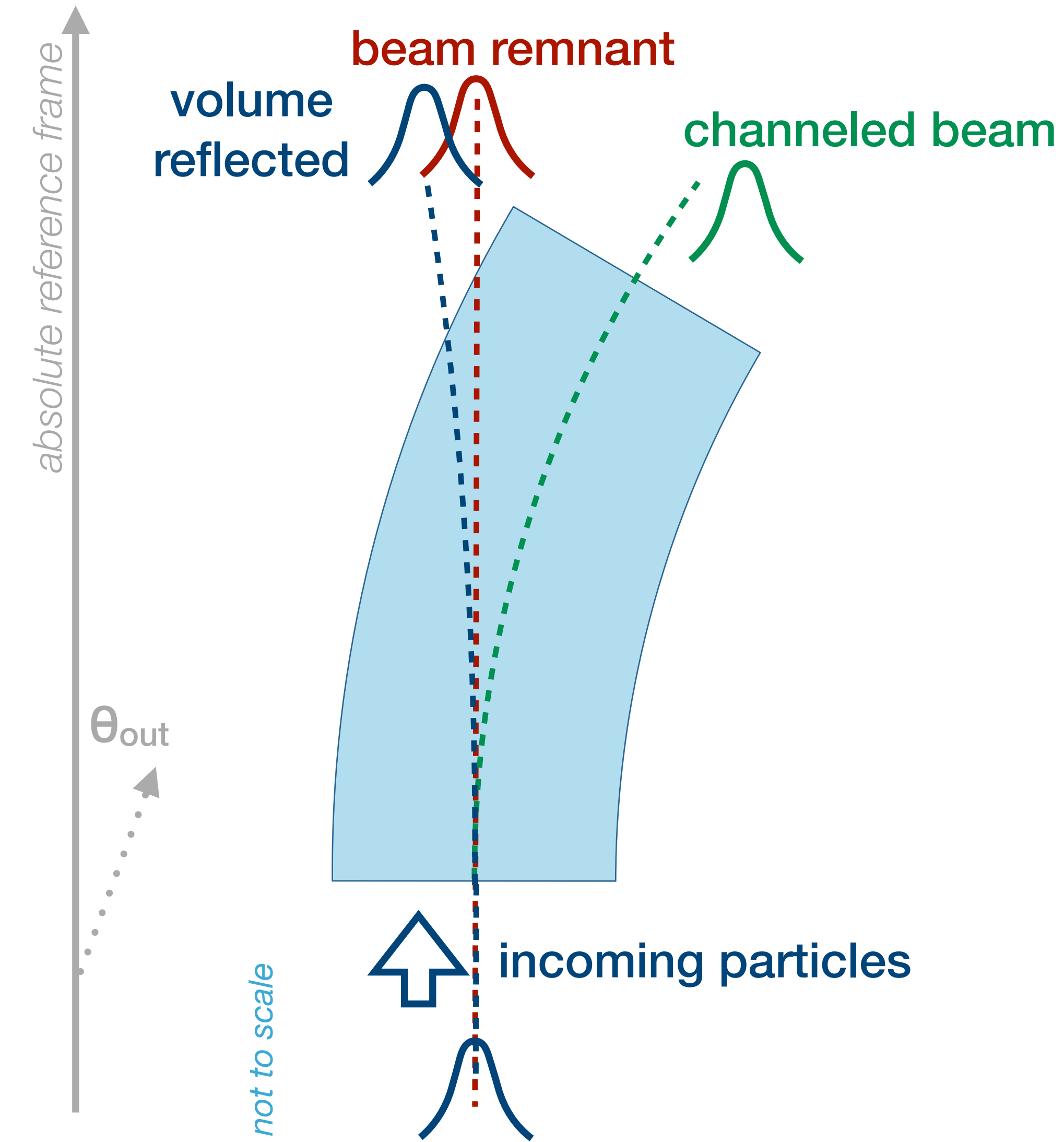
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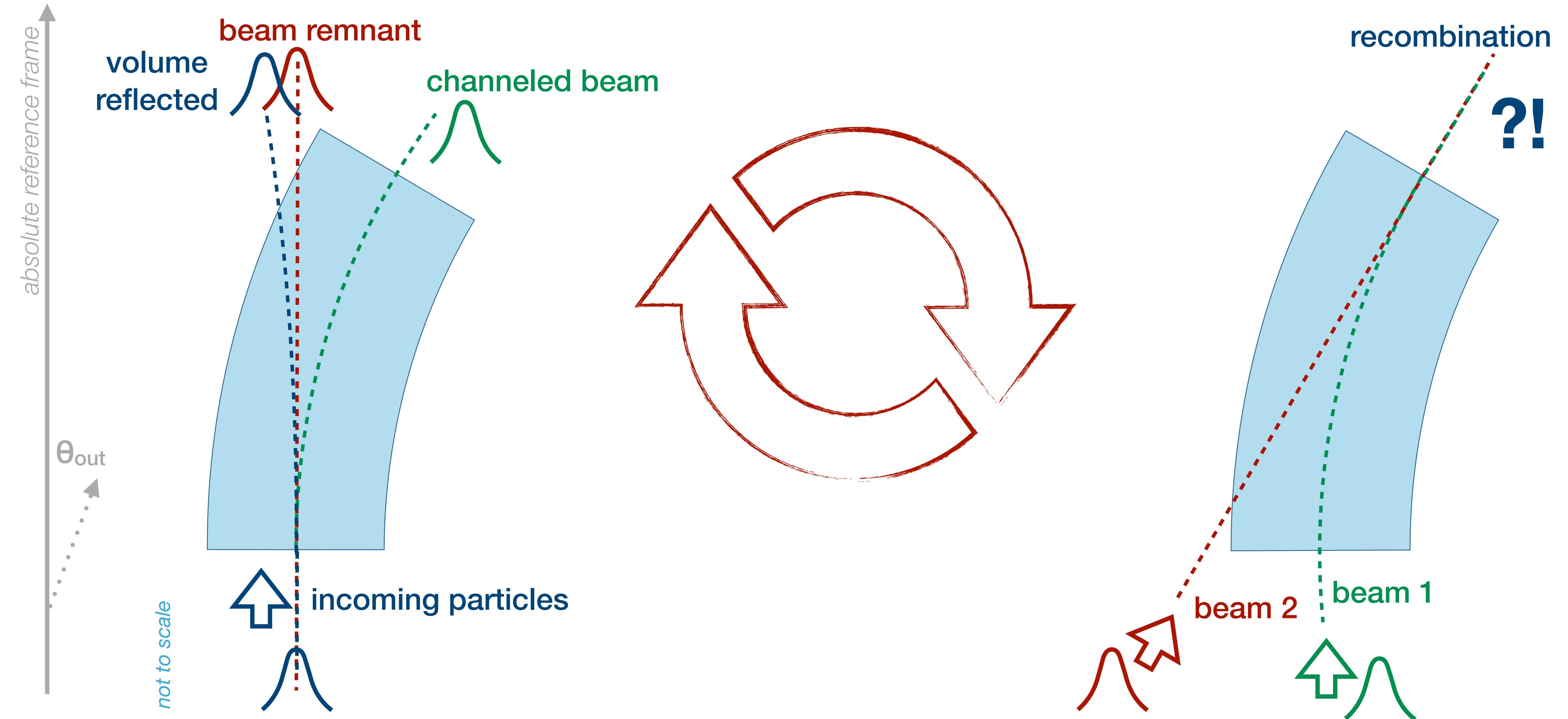
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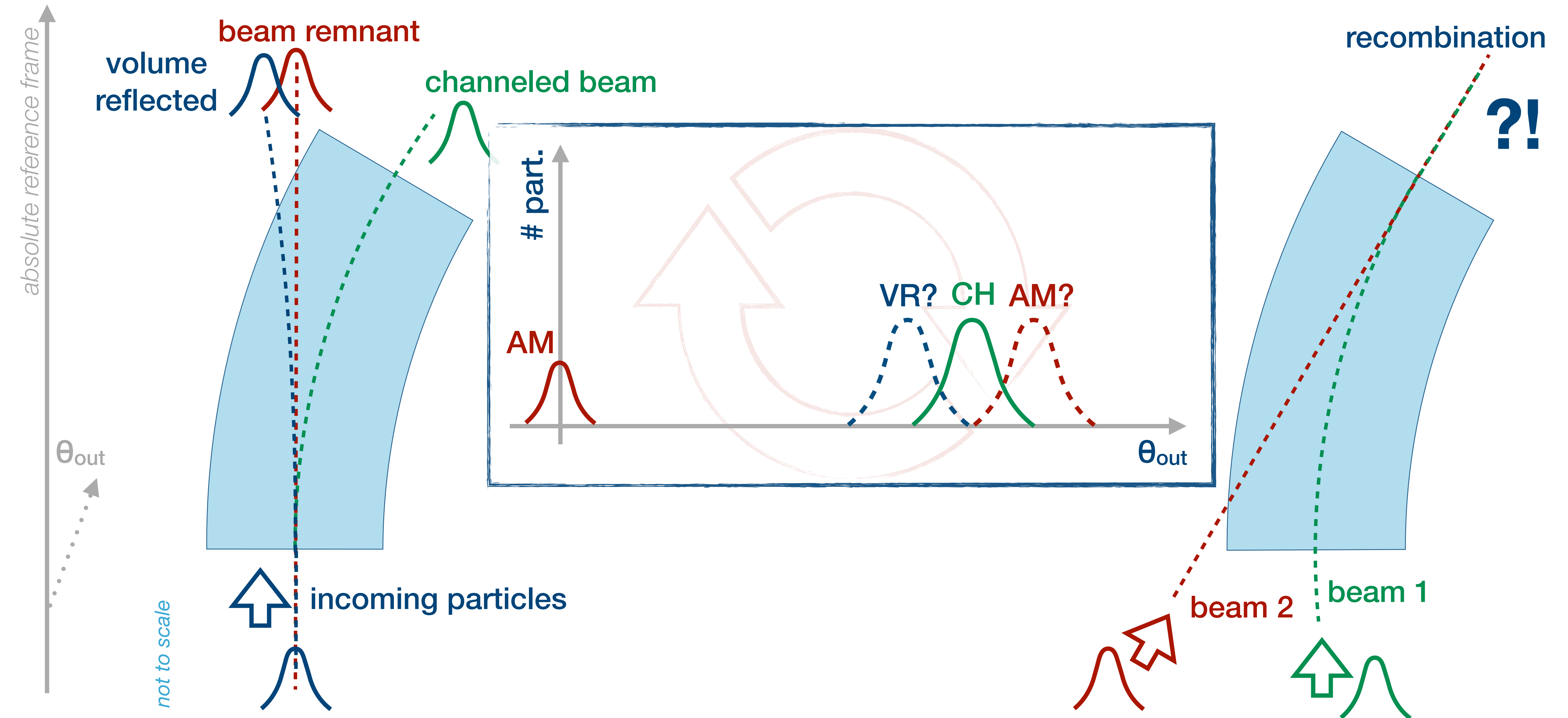
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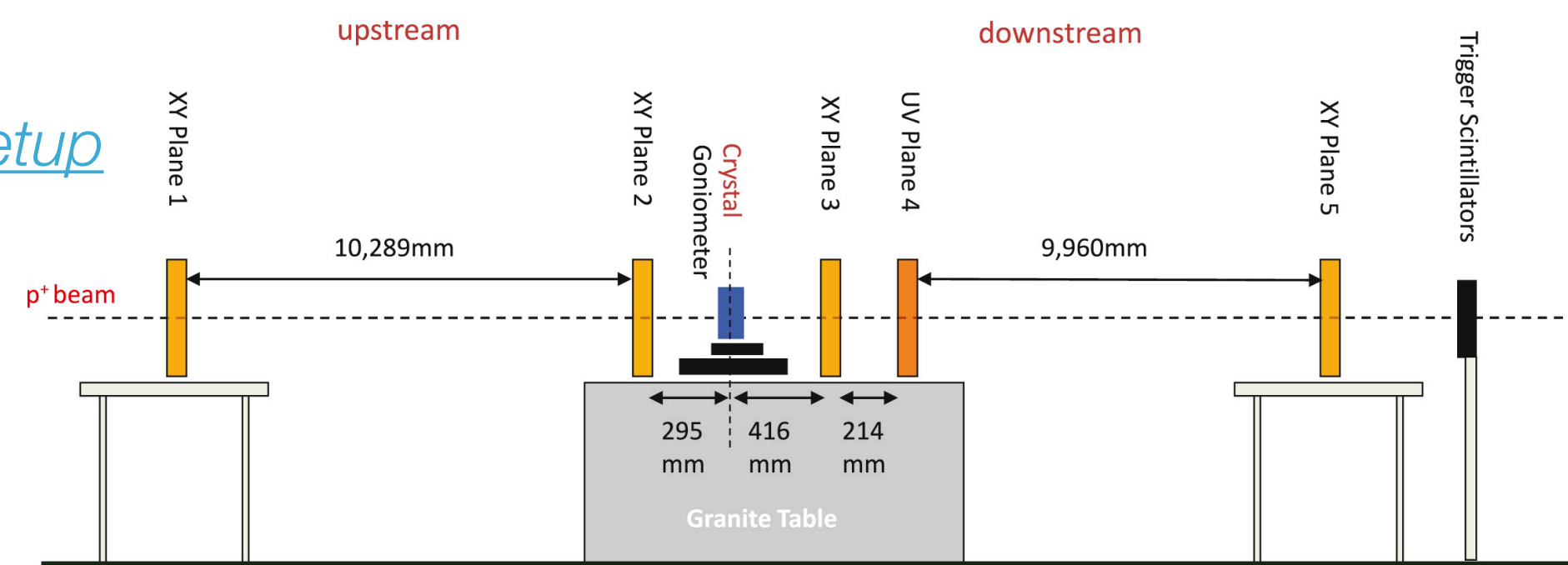
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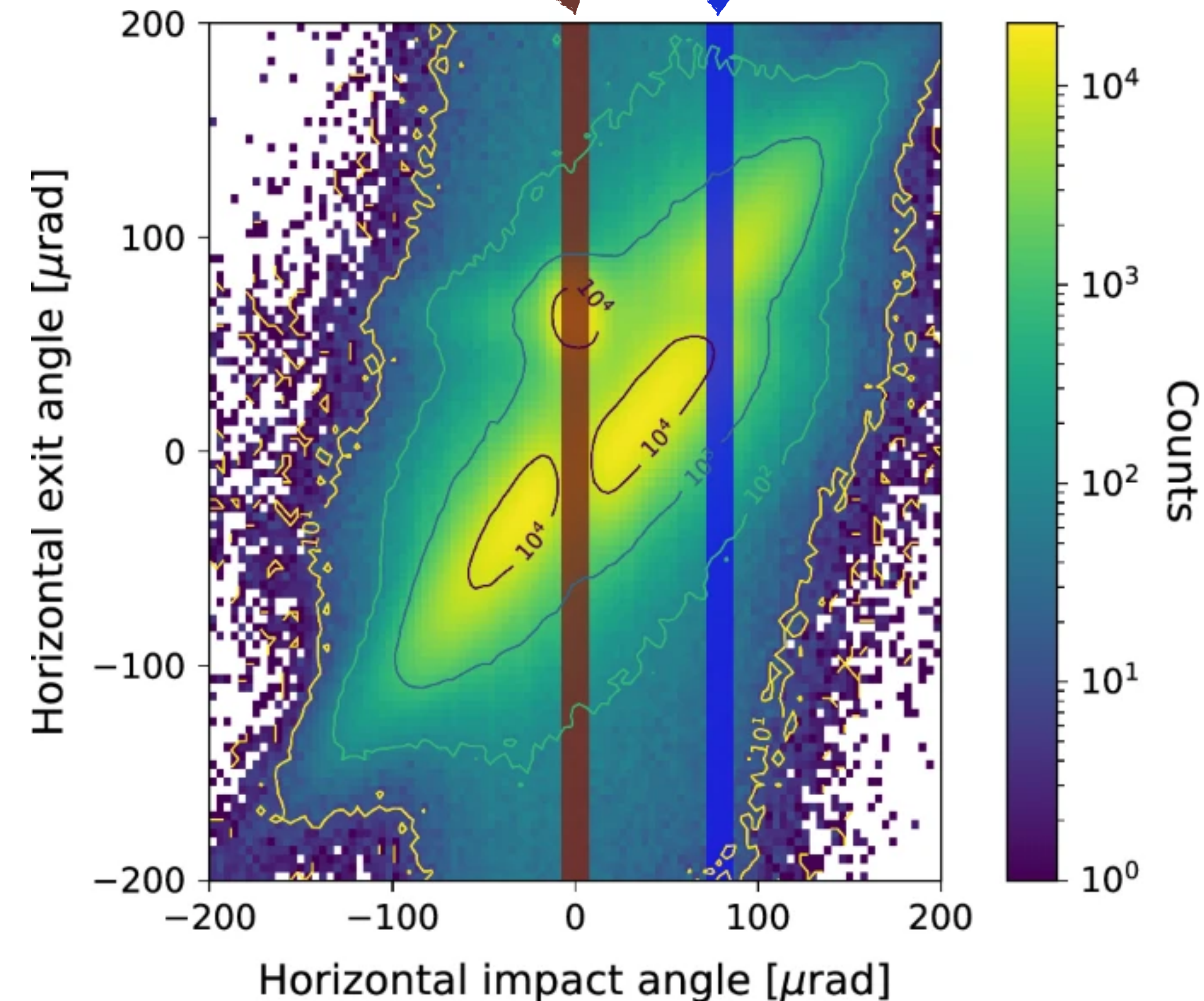
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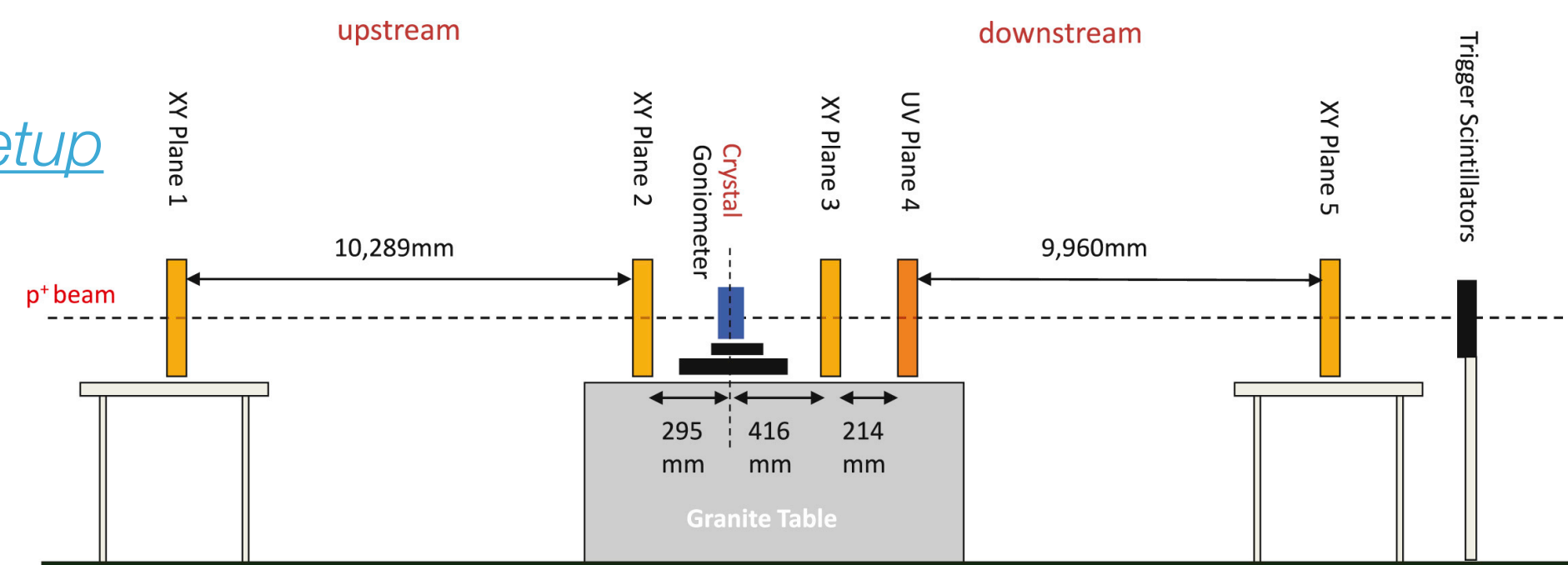
particles entering channeling regimes

particles going through VR/AM phenomena



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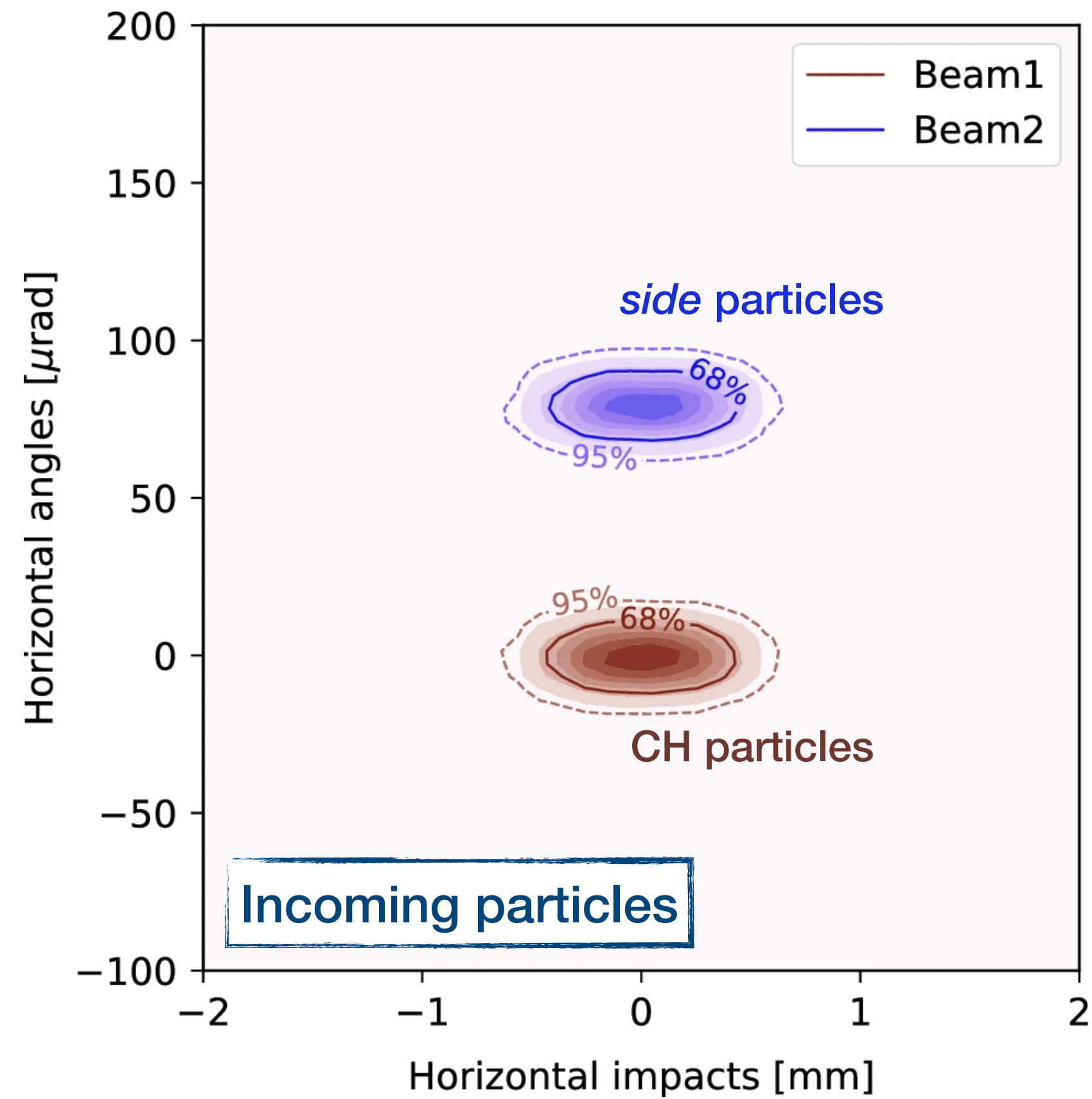
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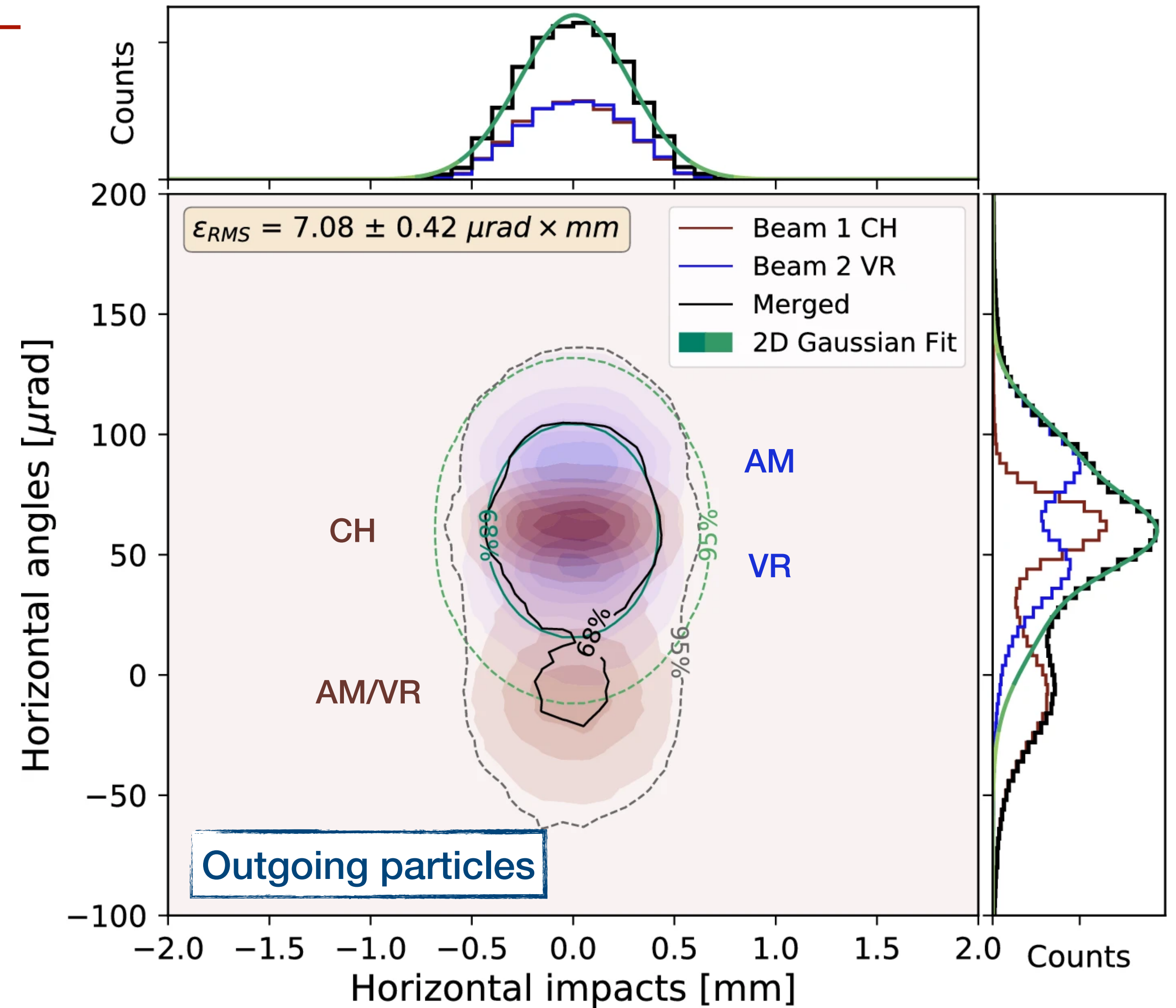
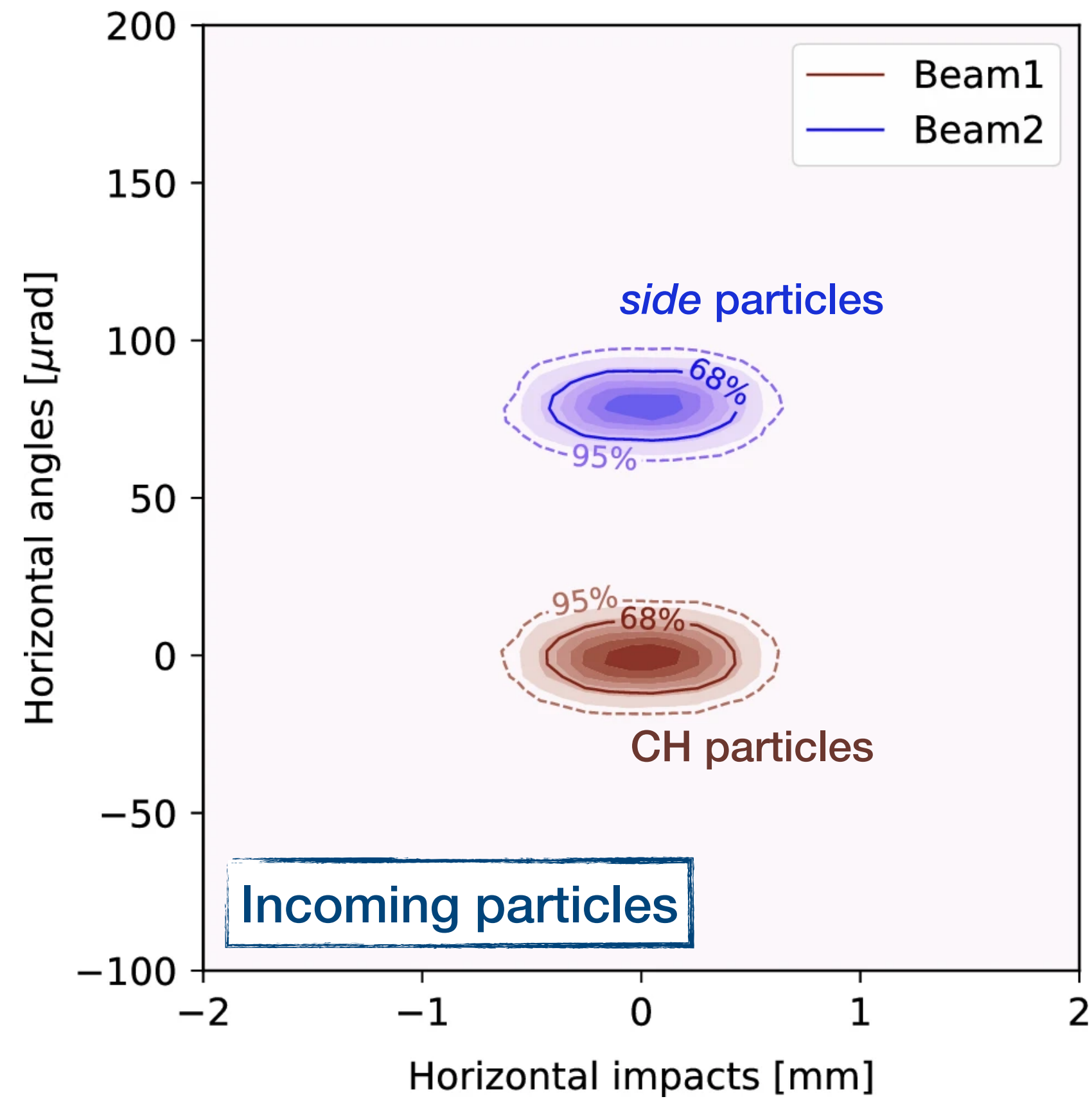
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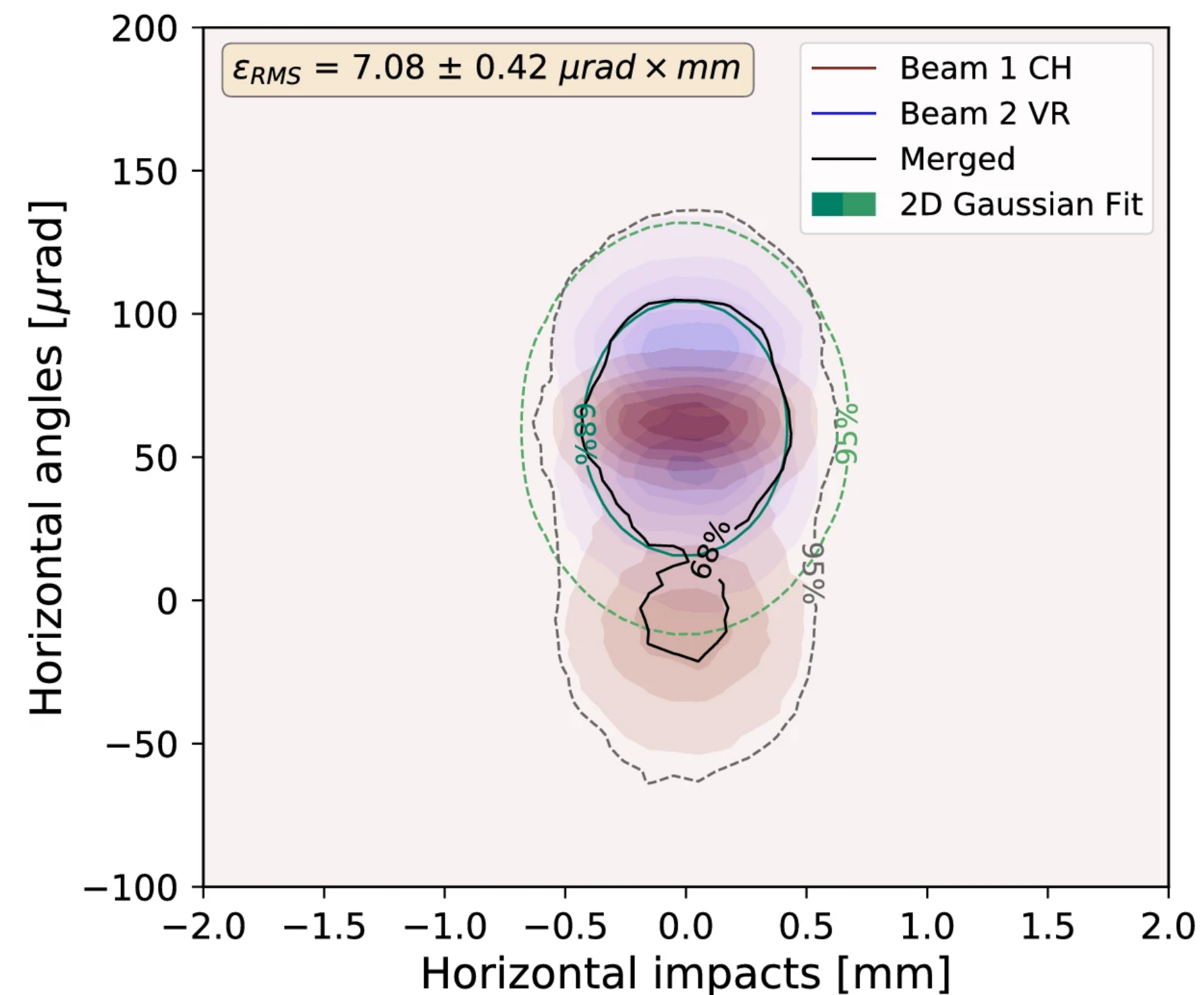
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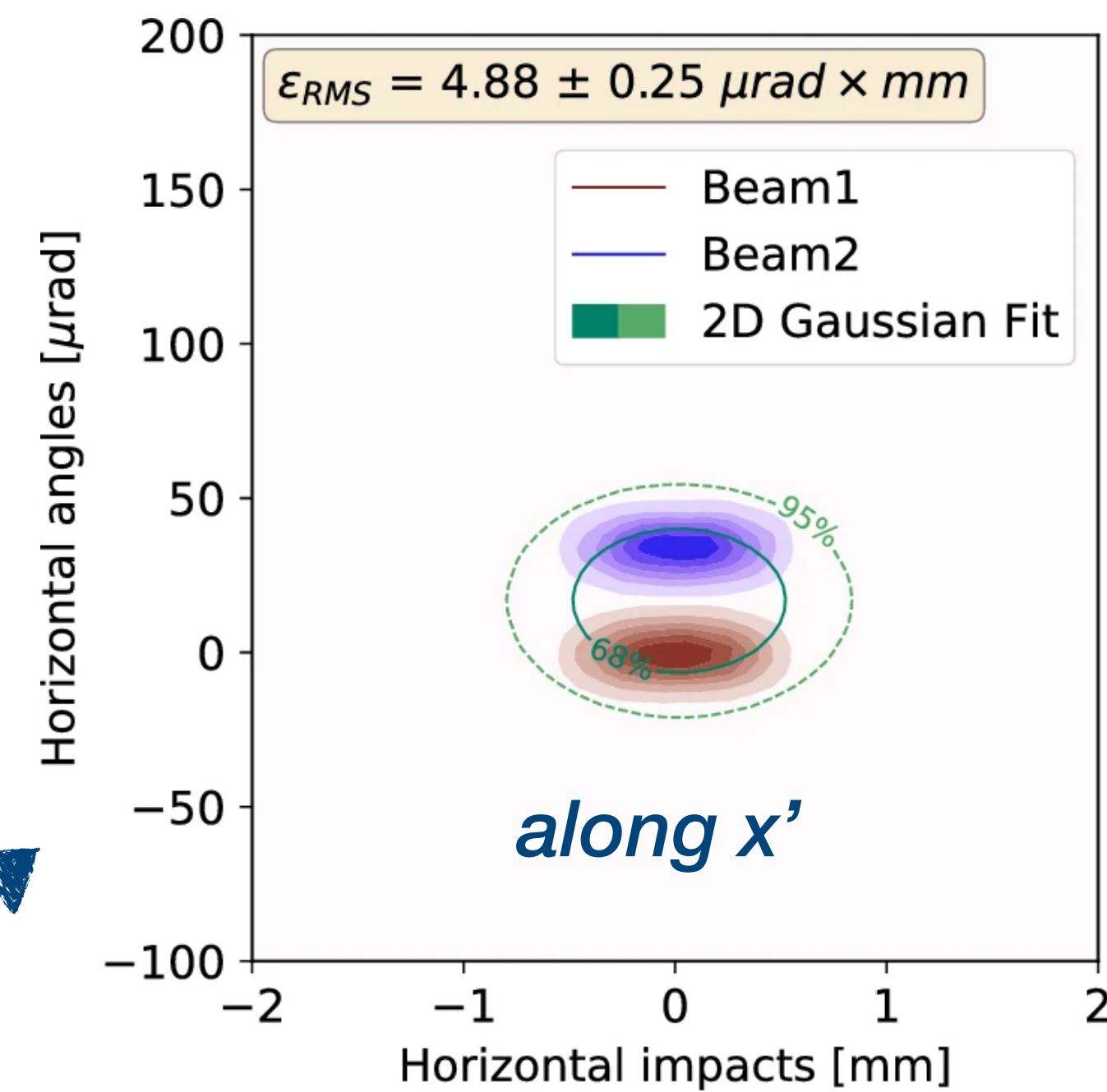


Crystal vs. Magnetic Stacking

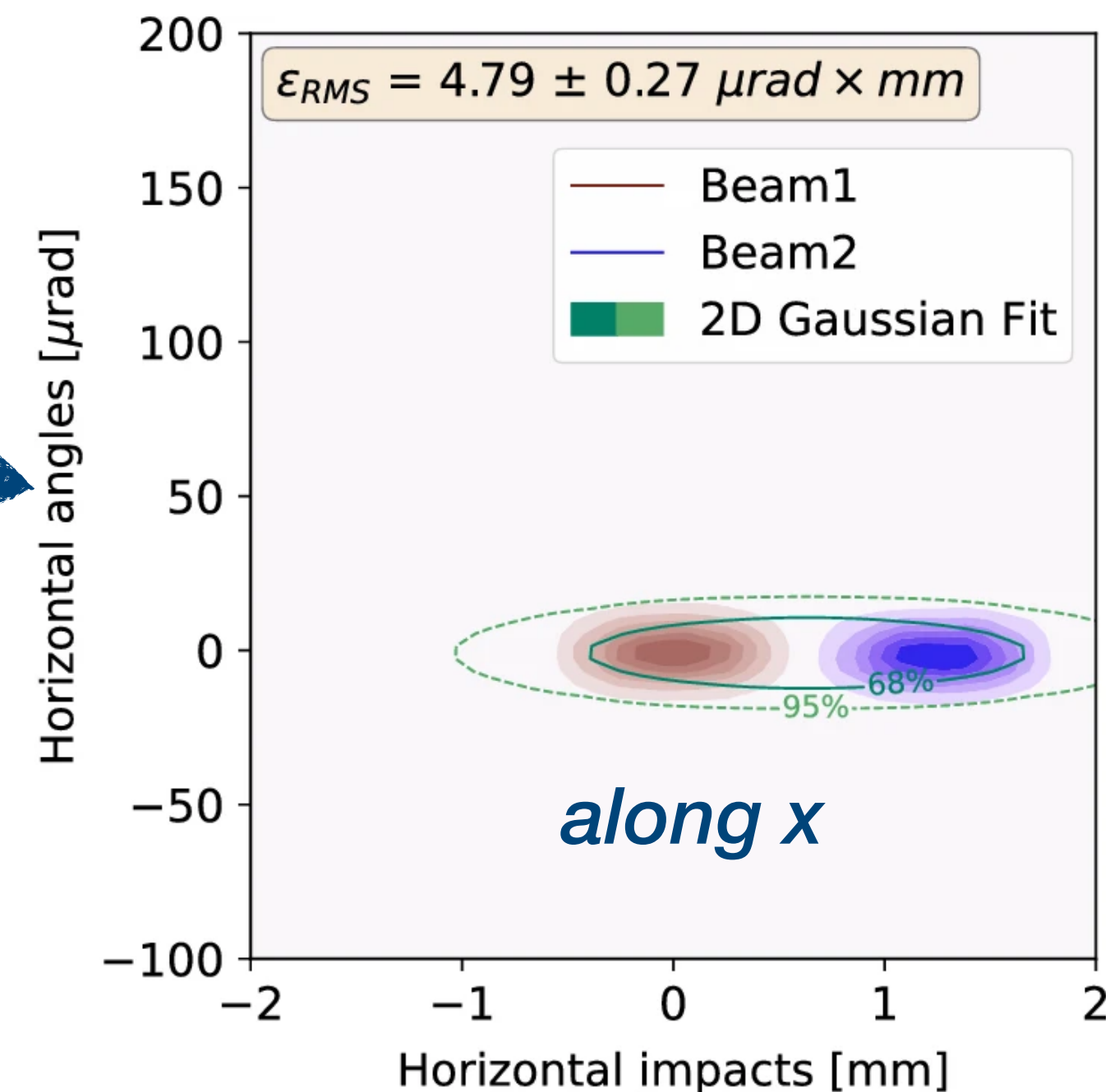
An indication of the crystal-assisted merging can be obtained comparing it with magnetic recombination



The higher ϵ_{RMS} for the crystal-assisted merging is probably due to the MCS affecting particles crossing 4 mm of crystal and contribution from dechanneled particles.



*non-optimized
Magnetic Stacking*



Alternative recombination schemes

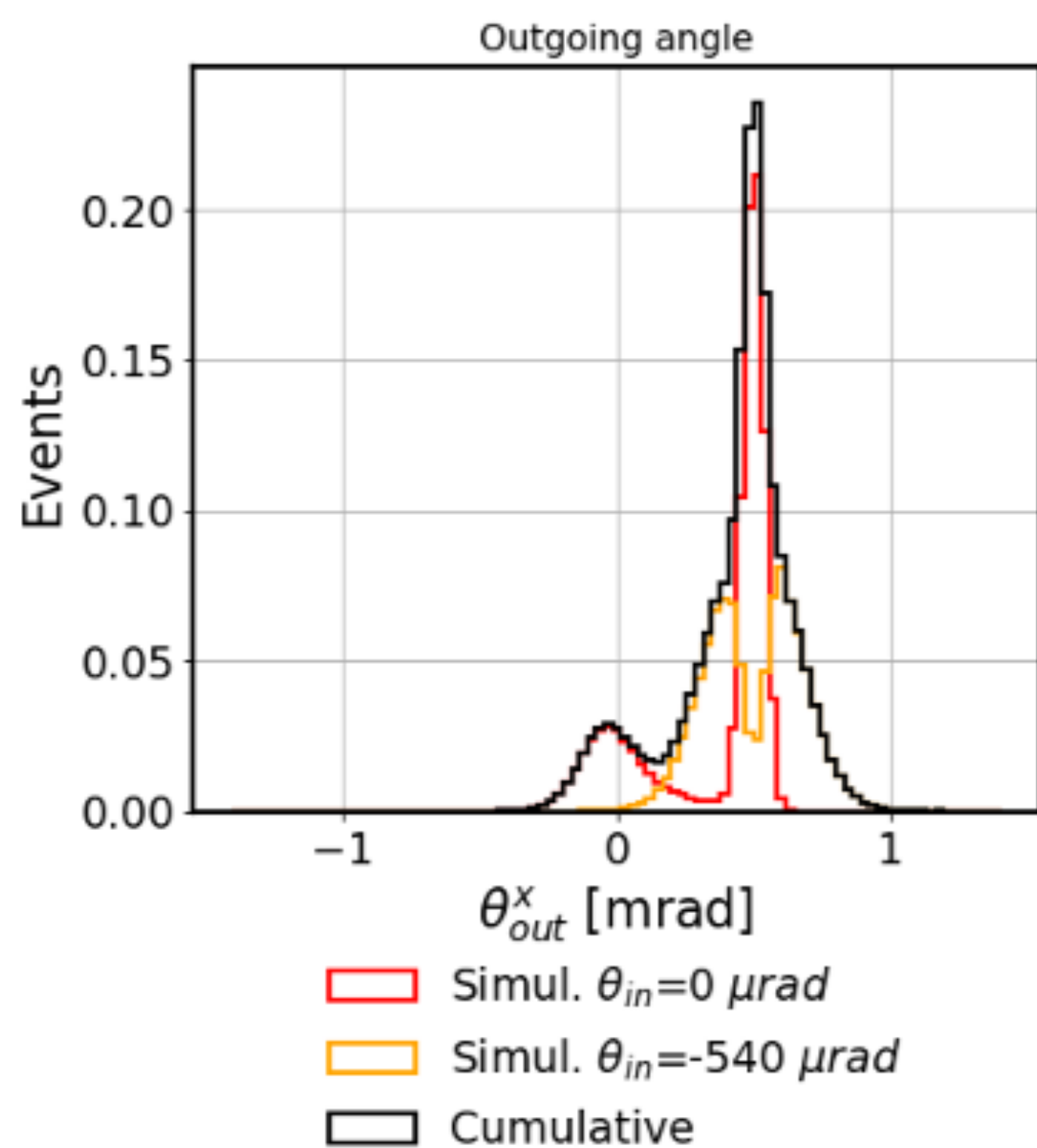
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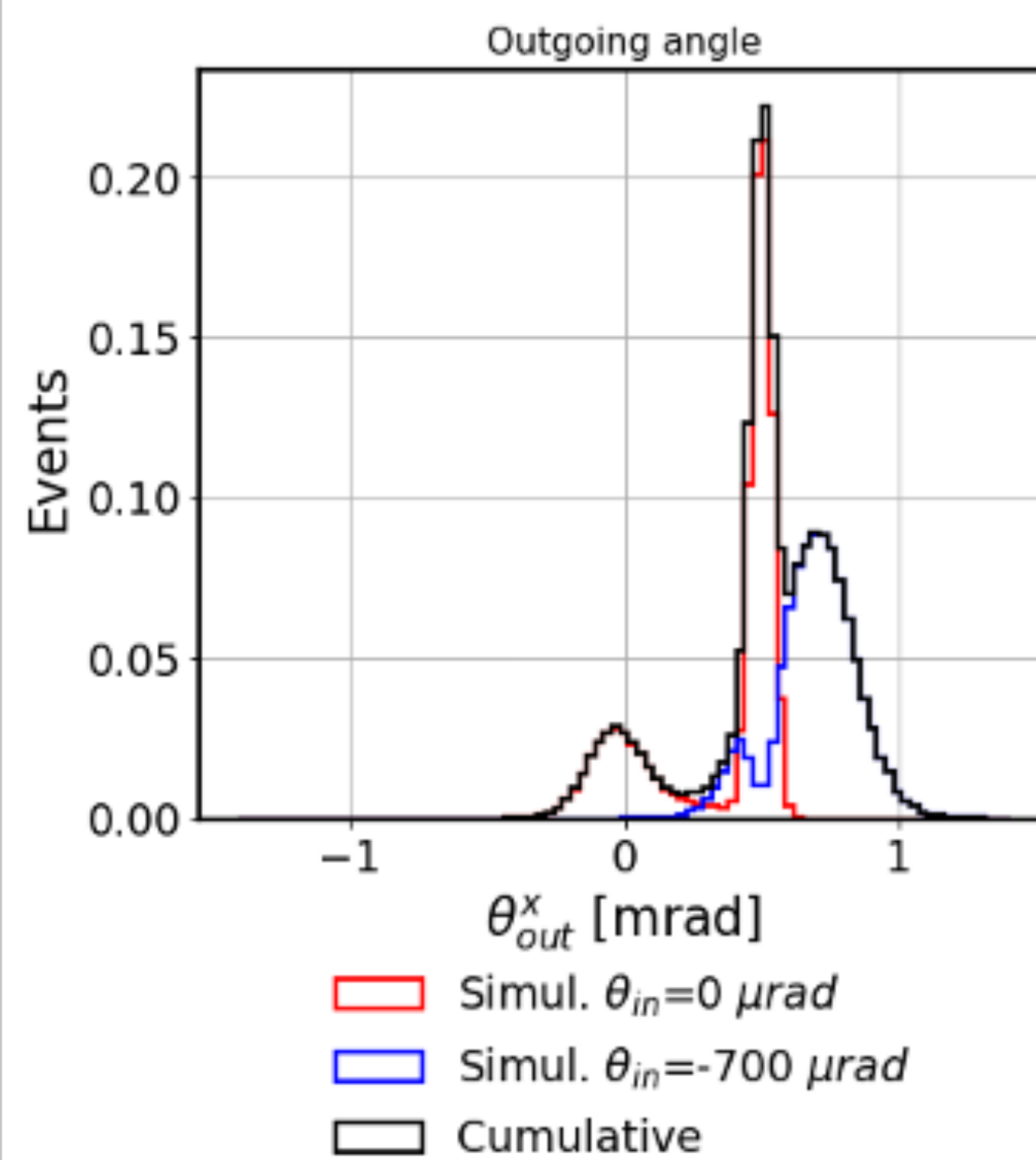
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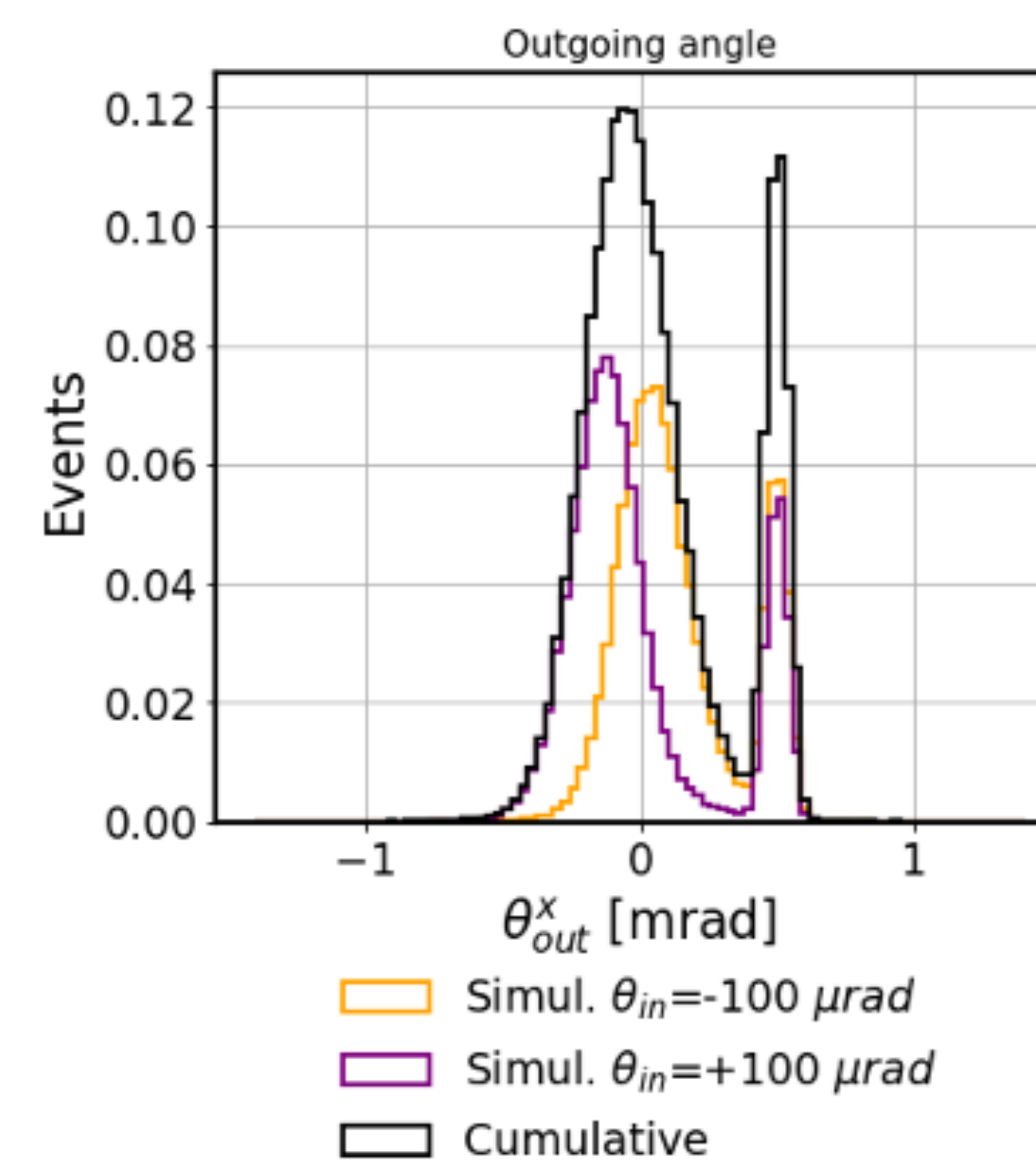
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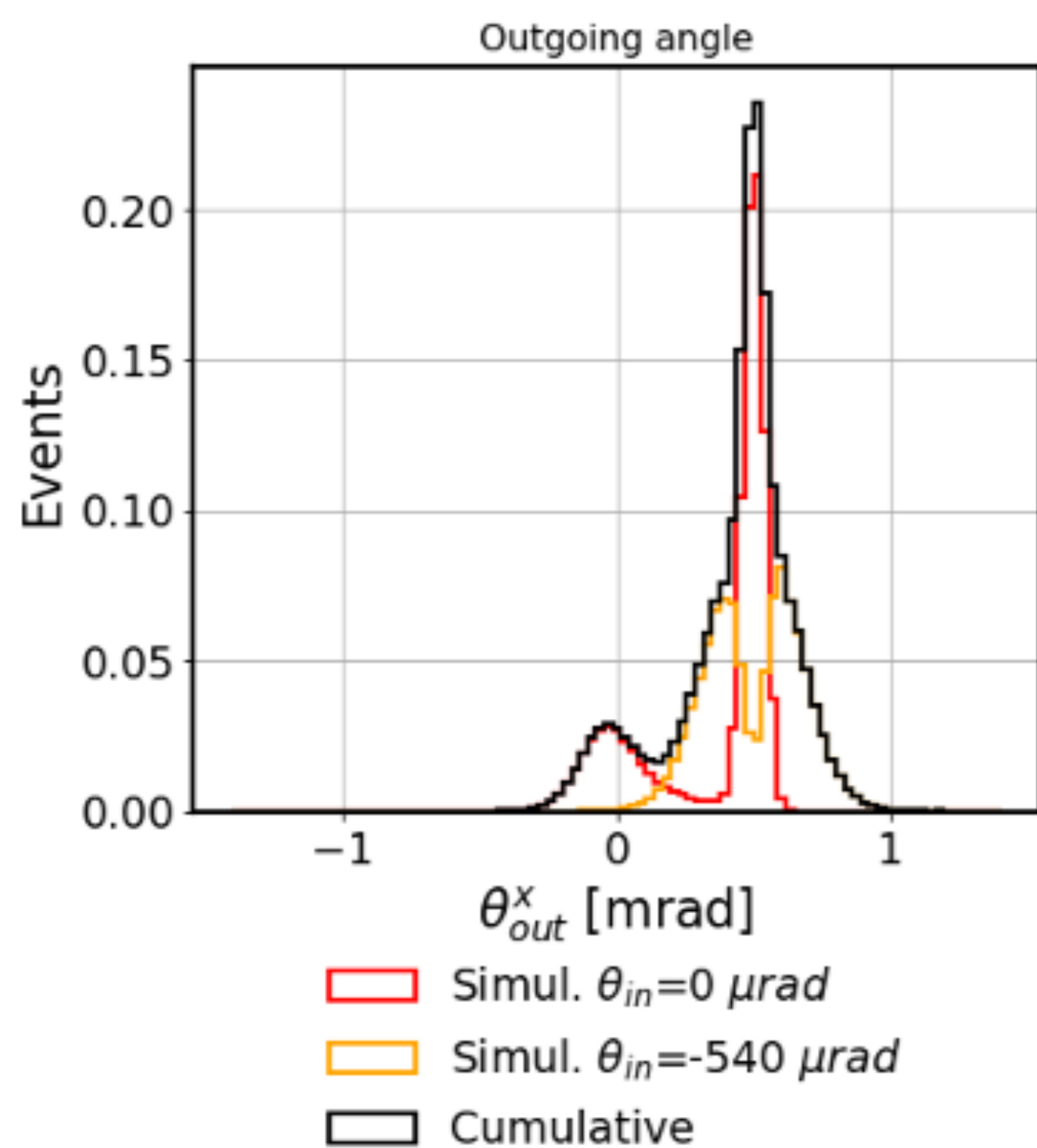
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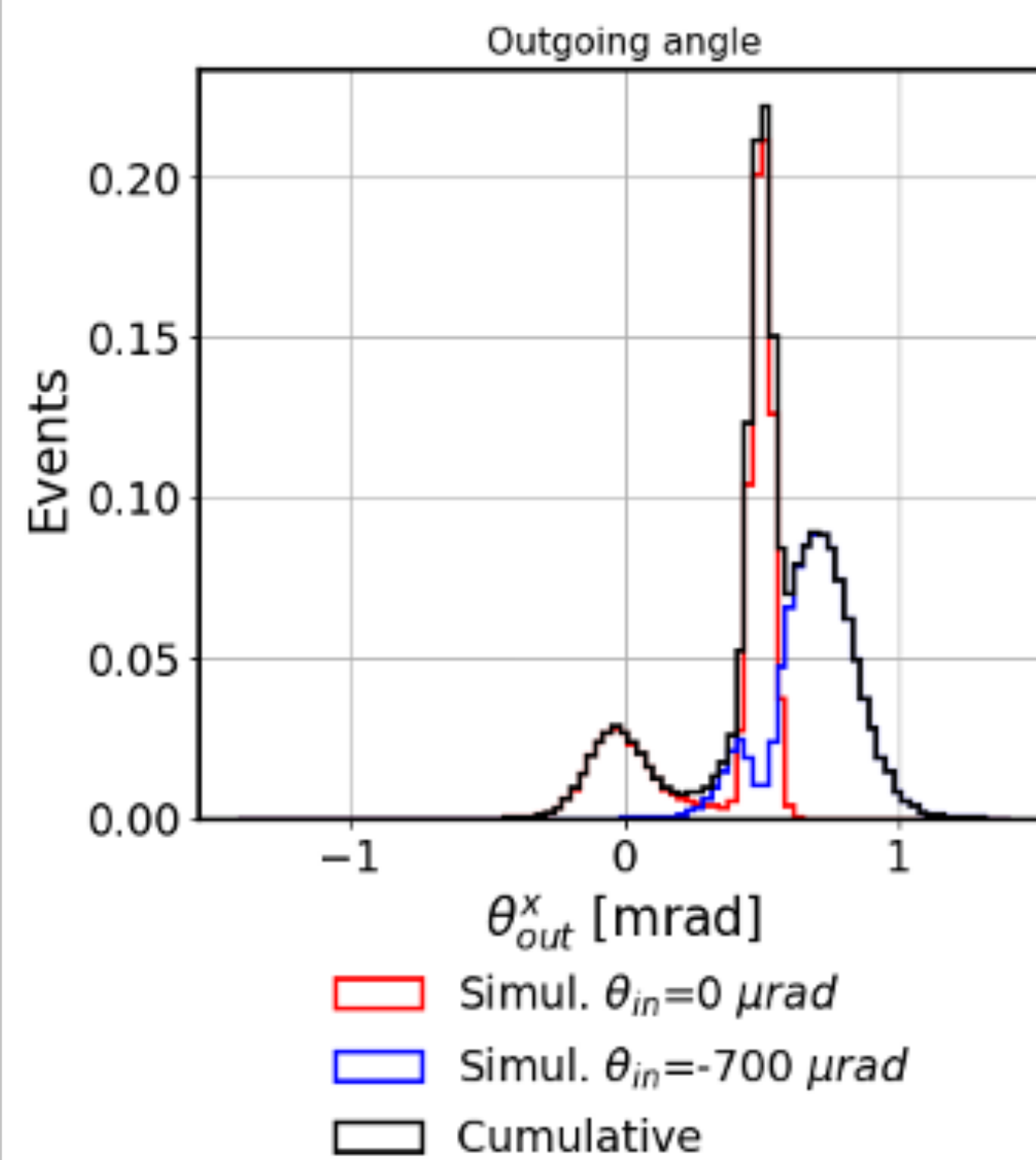
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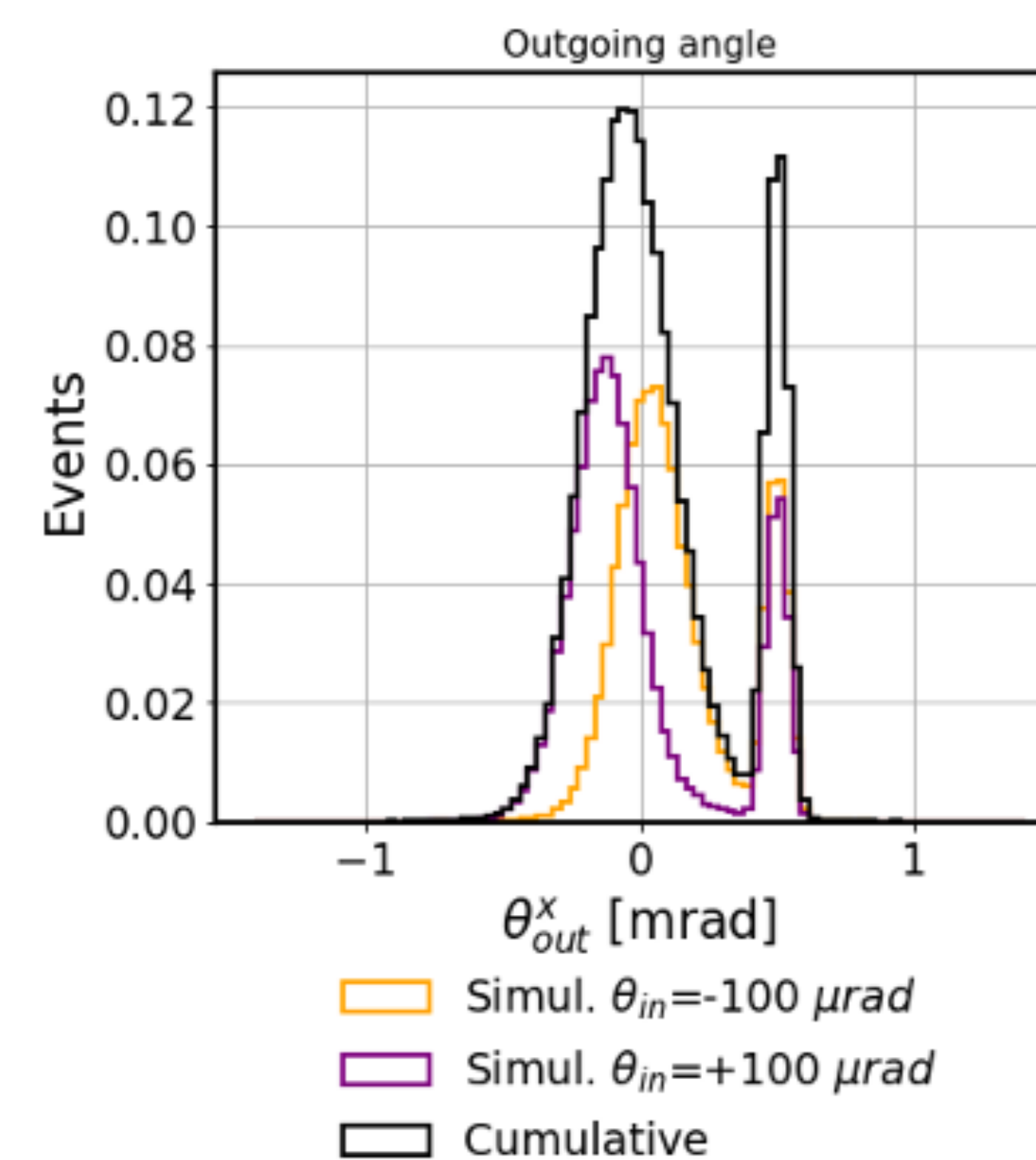
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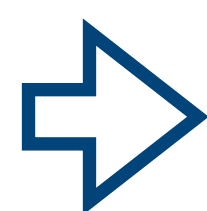
Different combinations of beams impinging on the crystal are producing different recombination structures.

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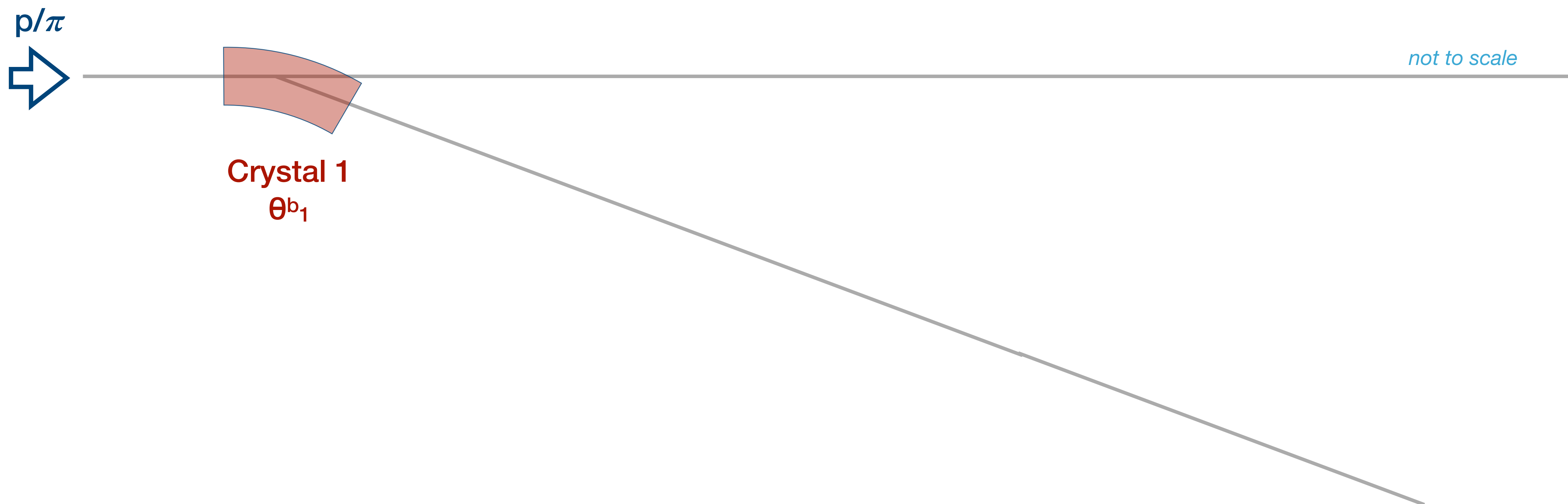
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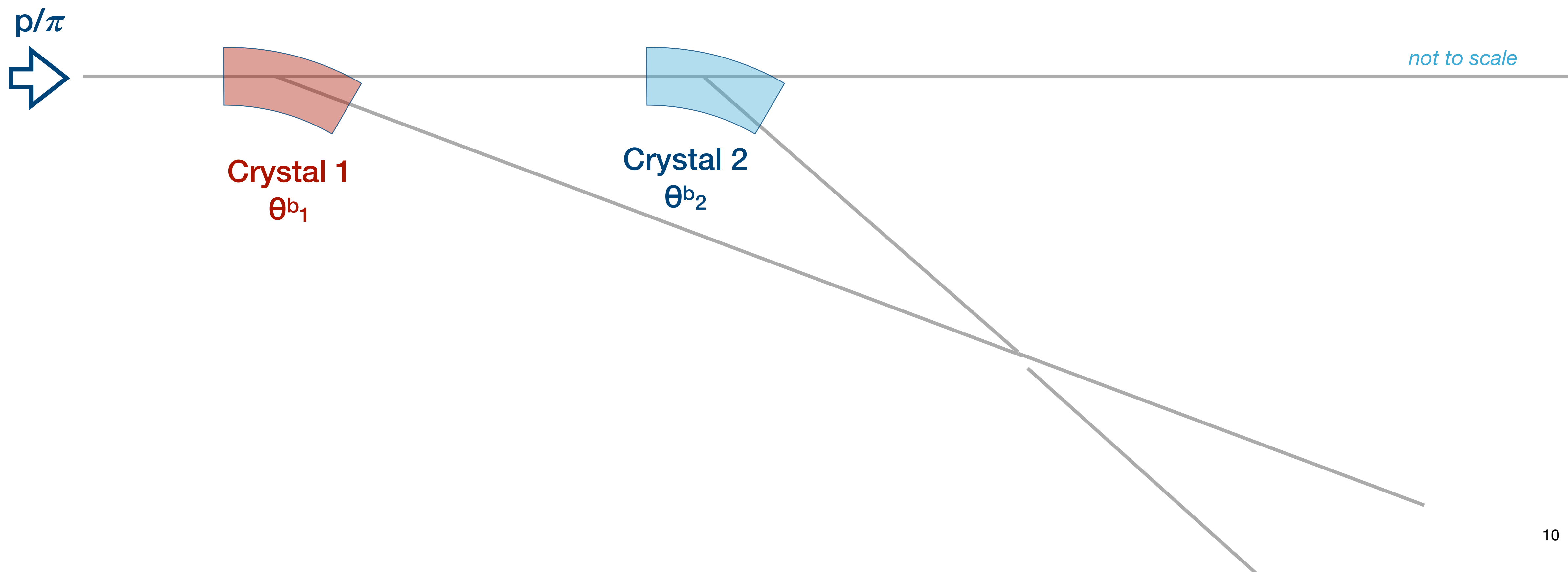
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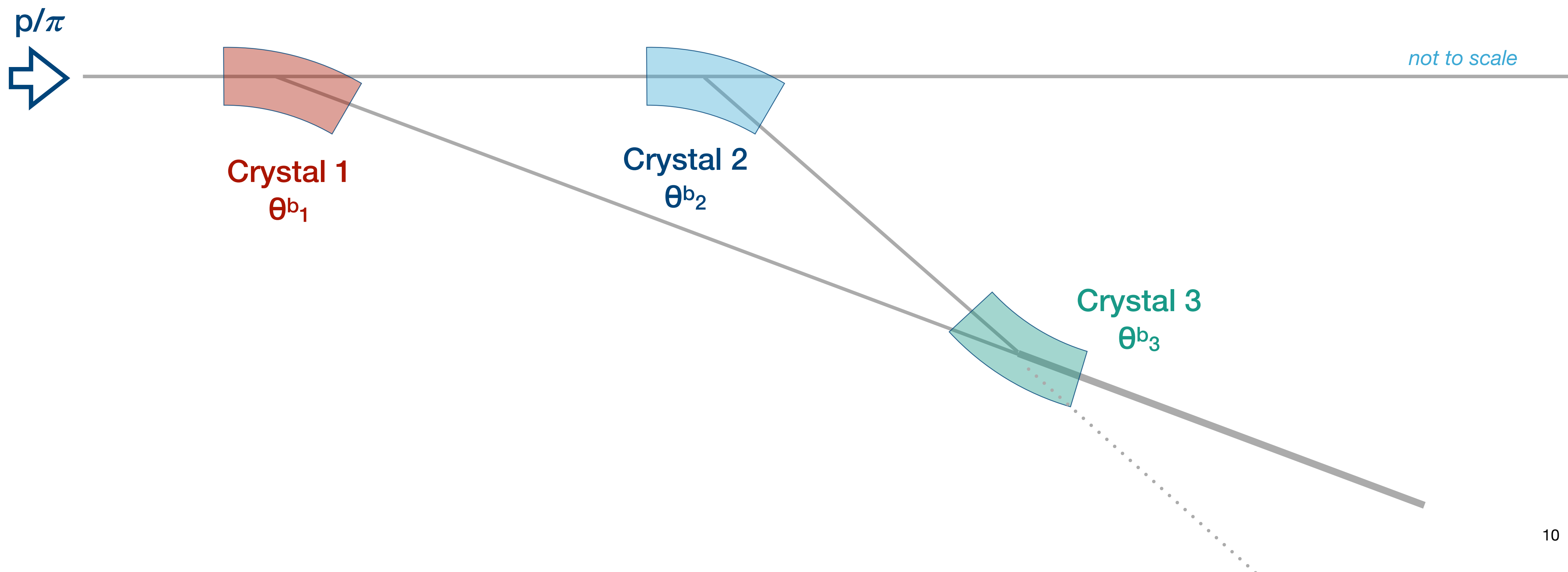
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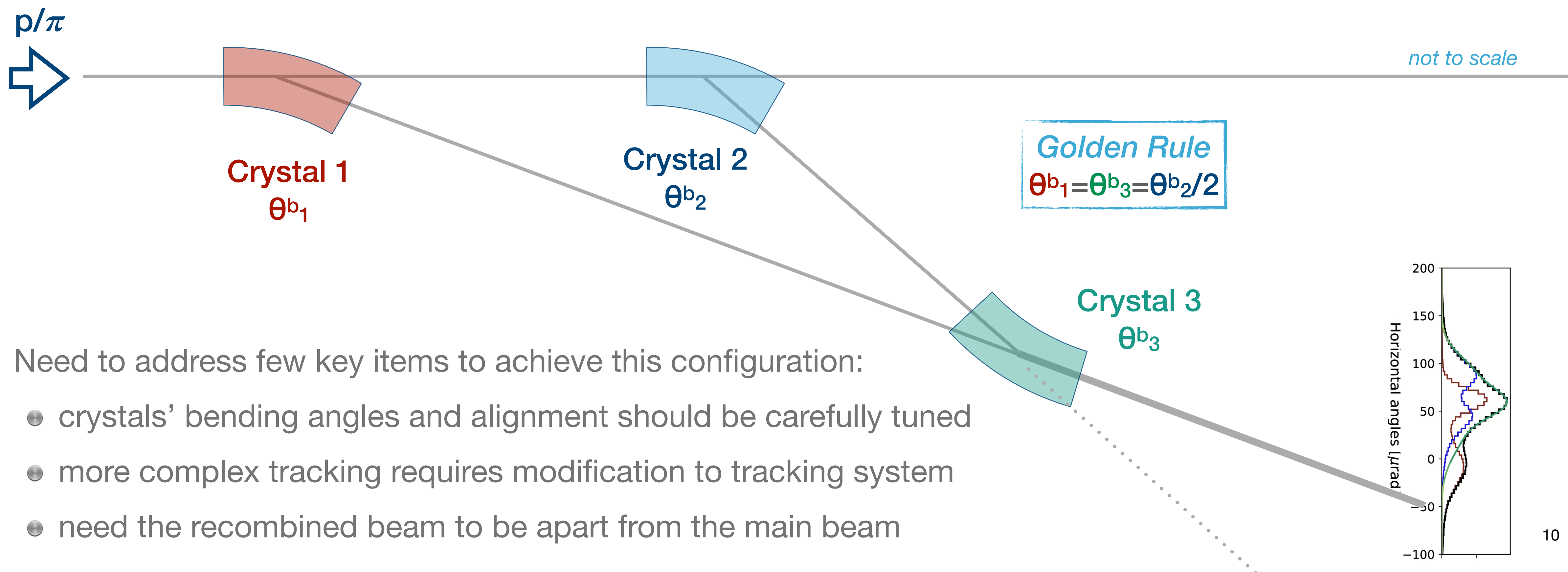
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Need to address few key items to achieve this configuration:

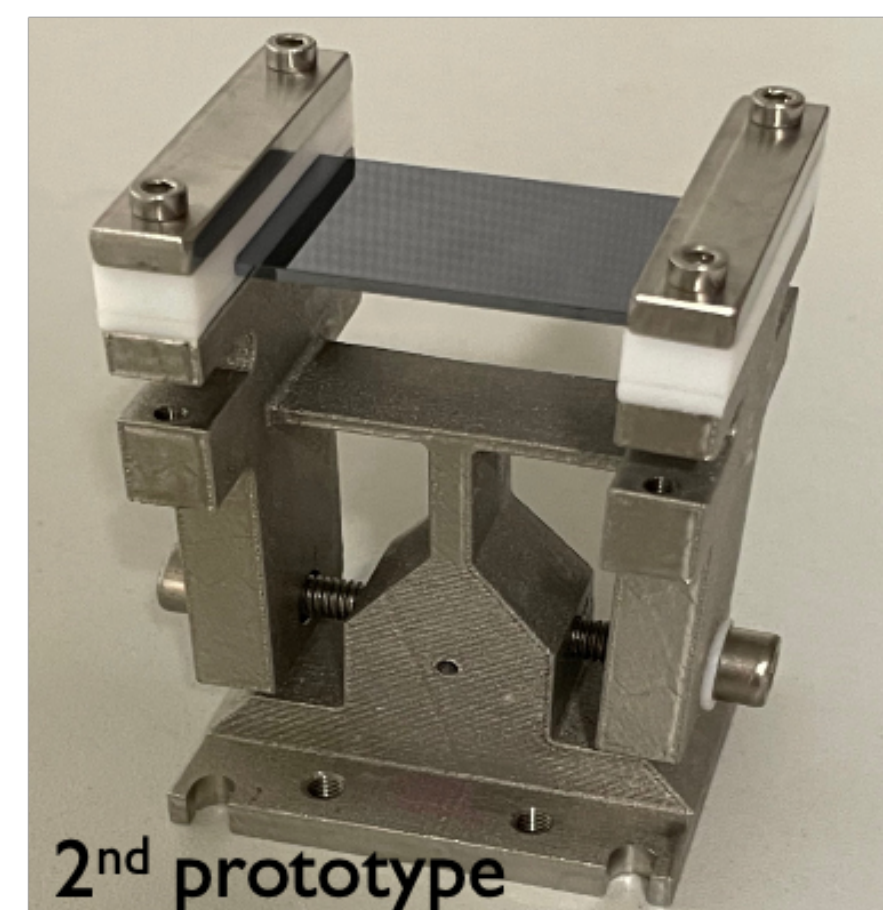
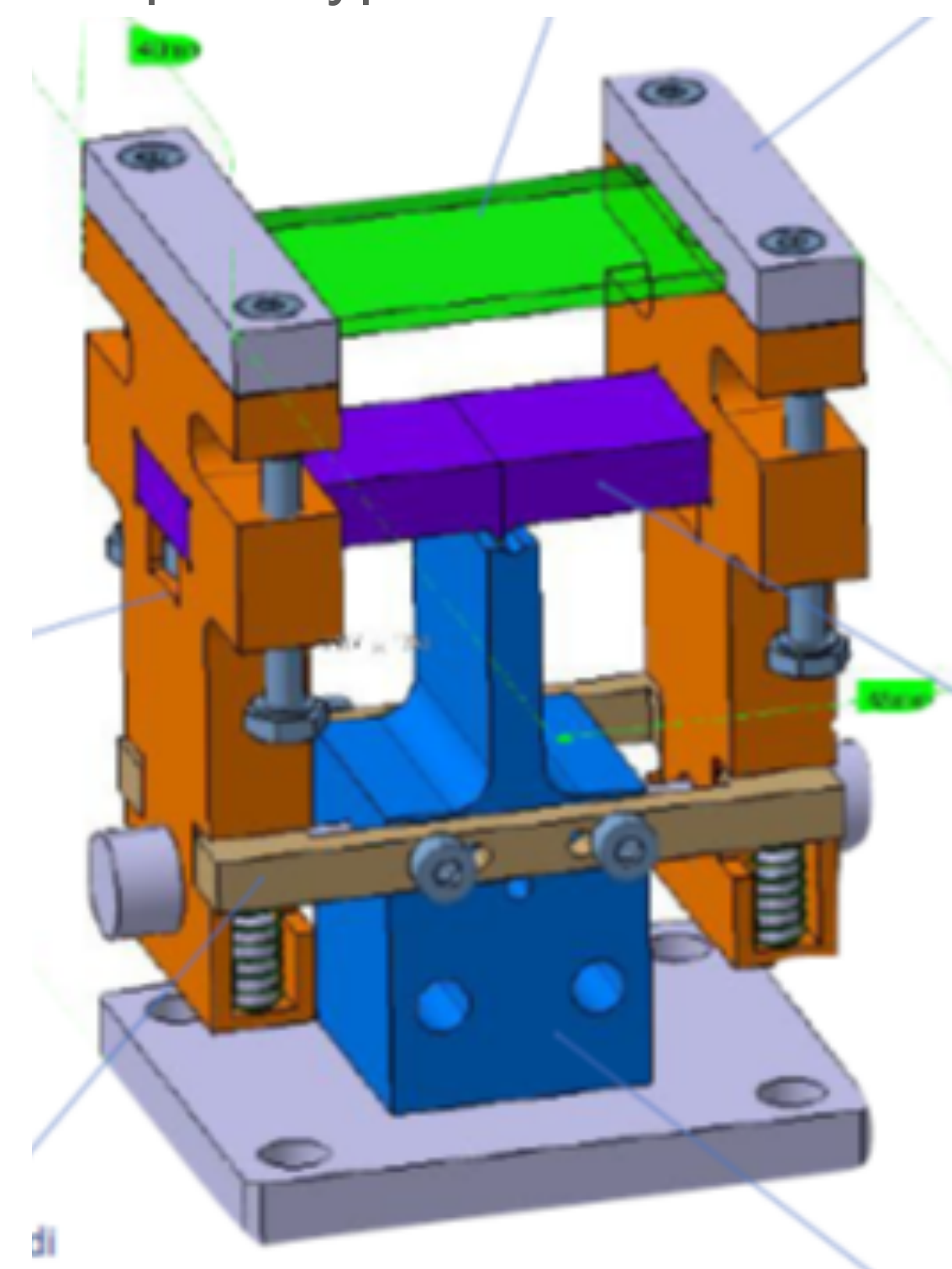
- crystals' bending angles and alignment should be carefully tuned
- more complex tracking requires modification to tracking system
- need the recombined beam to be apart from the main beam

Crystals and Holders

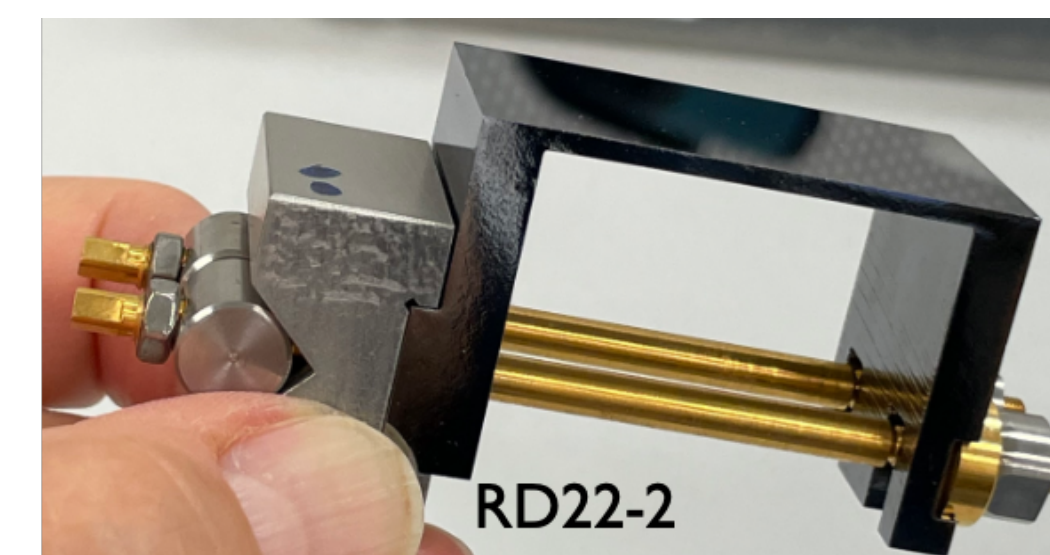
- Dedicated crystals with proper curvature are needed
 - Si(110) Boron doped or Phosphorous doped
- Holder in preparation with fine-tuning adjustment of bending angle
 - aiming at few mrad bending
 - some RD22-2 holder and crystals available, bending in the range 500-800 μ rad

Crystal characterization and bending measurement to be carefully evaluated

1st prototype



2nd prototype

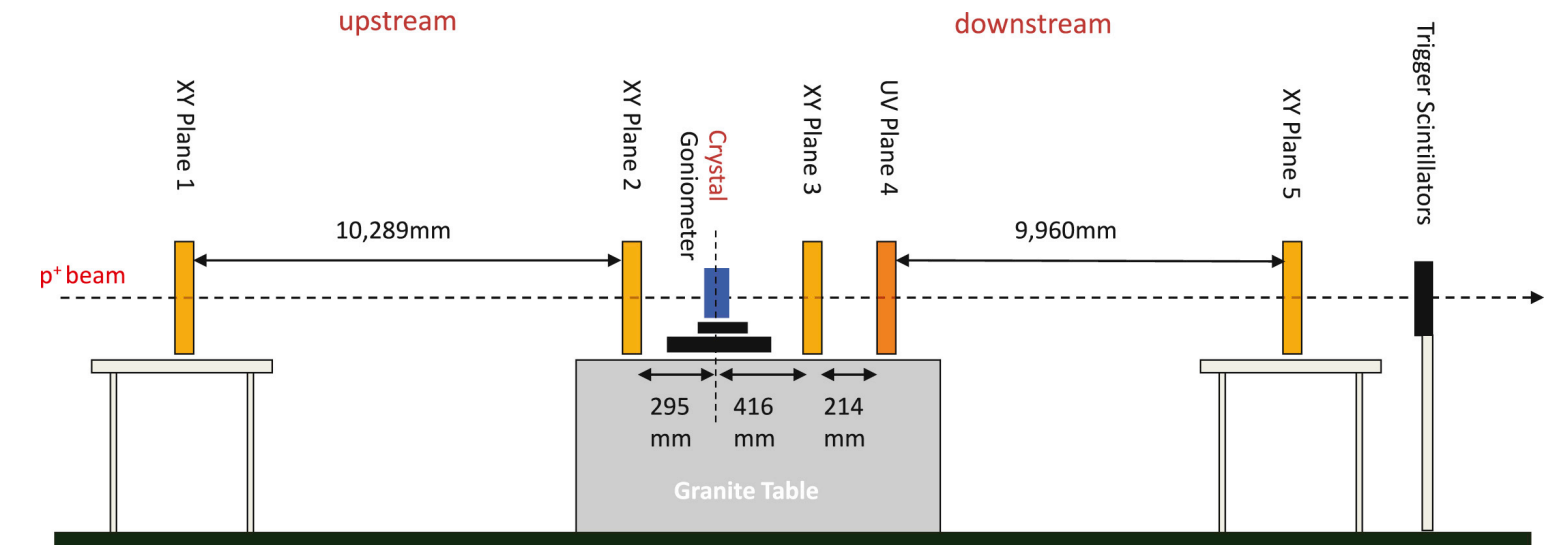
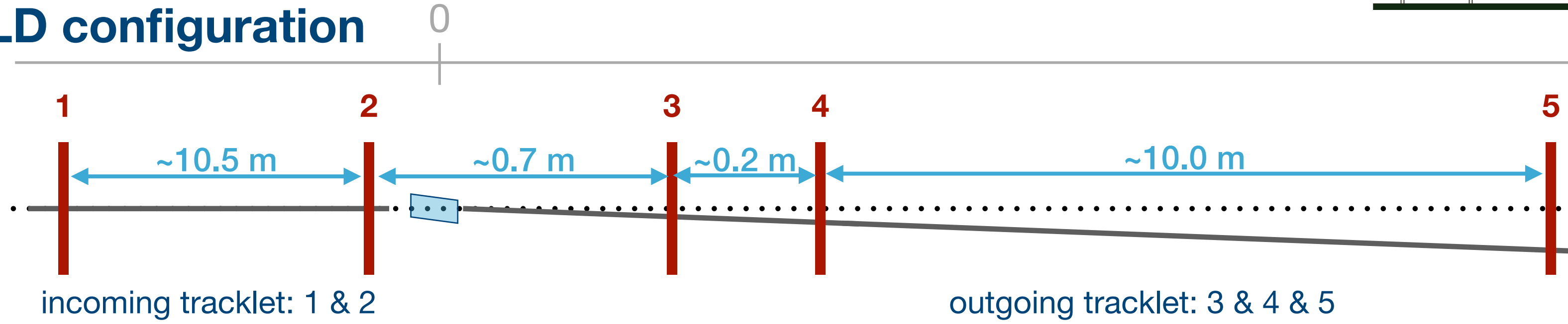


RD22-2

Upgraded telescope

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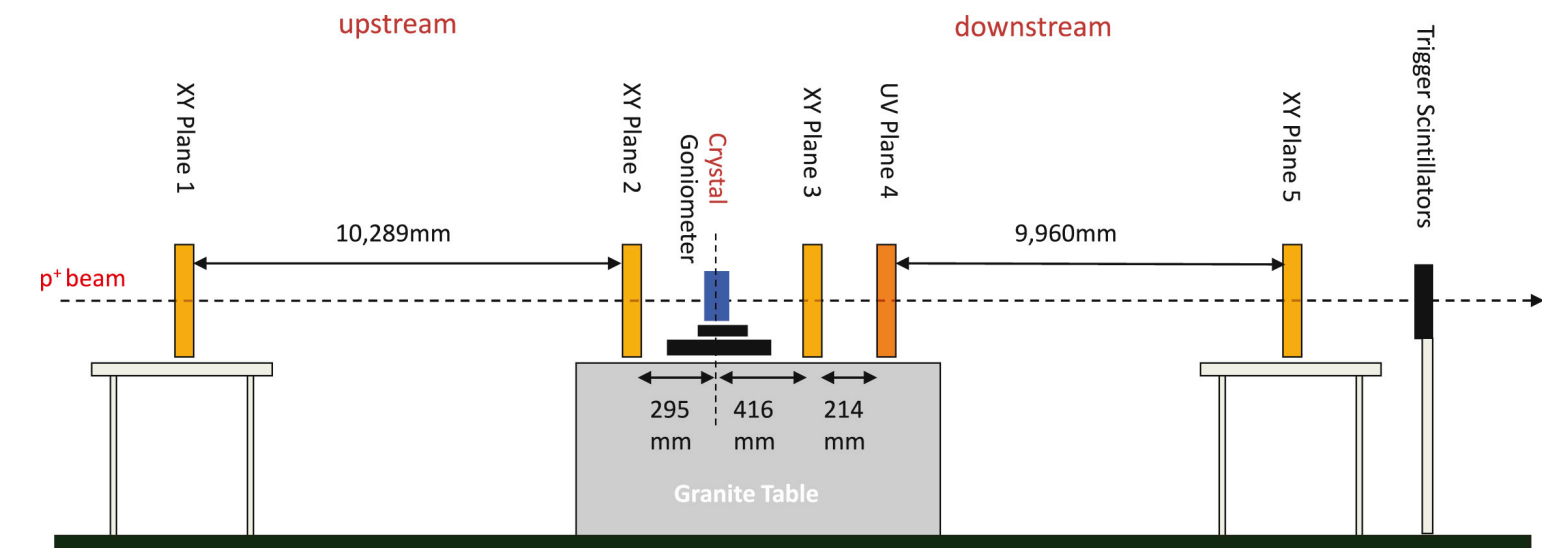
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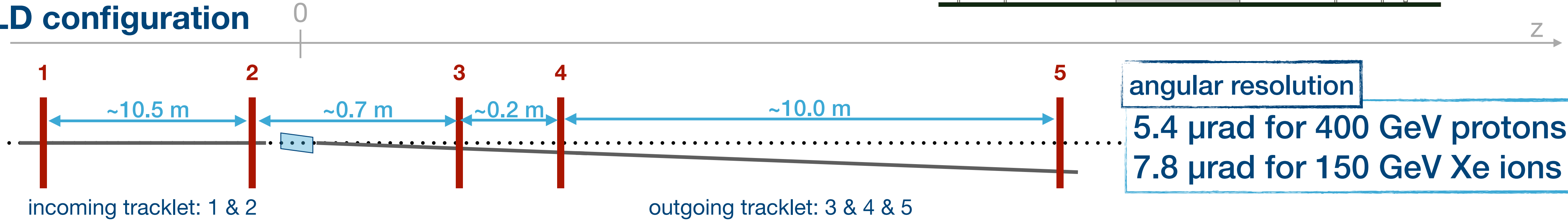
angular resolution
 5.4 μ rad for 400 GeV protons
 7.8 μ rad for 150 GeV Xe ions

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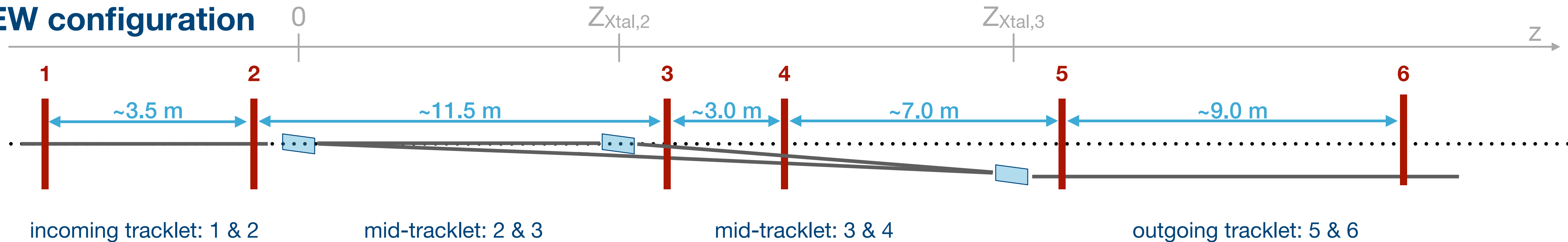
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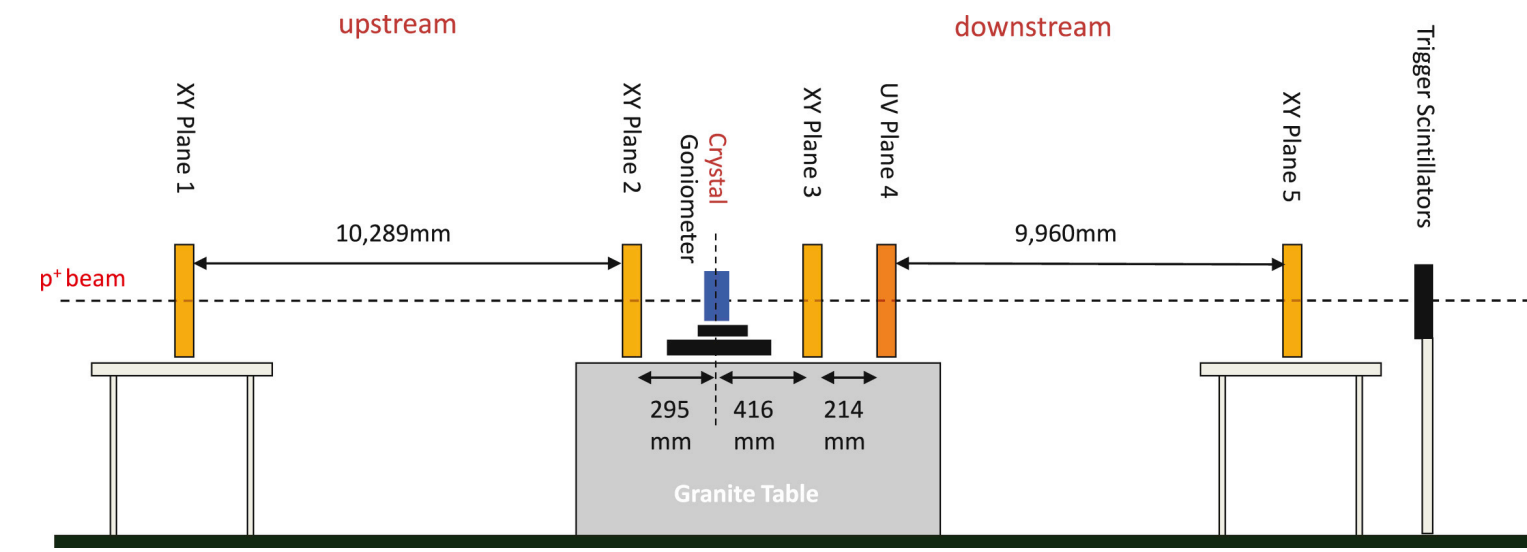


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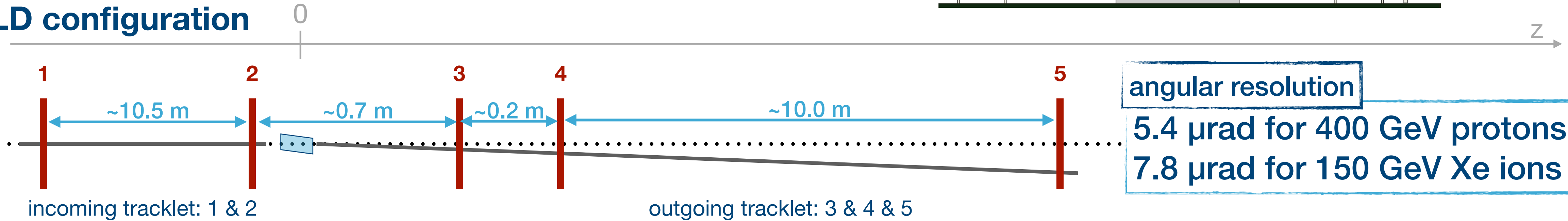


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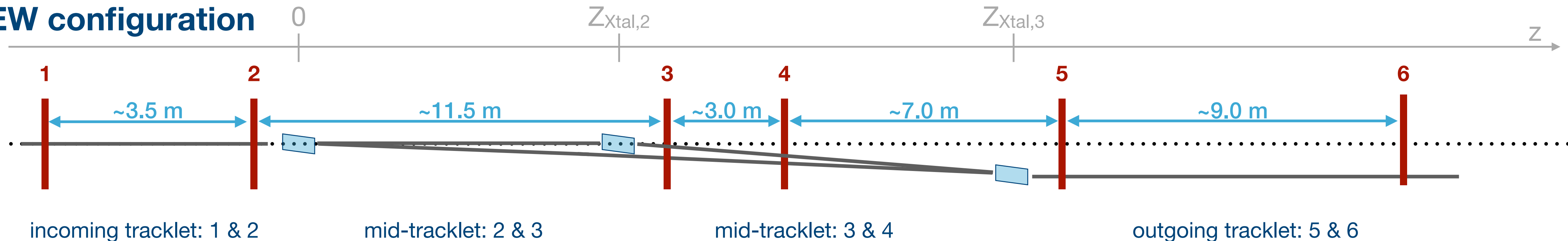
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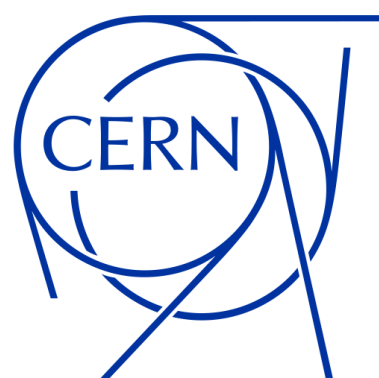
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- Additional tracking layer being integrated in the DAQ and Readout system
- 3-crystal alignment procedure defined
- Calibration and evaluation of telescope angular resolution

Conclusions

- The *coherent* and *non-coherent* bent crystal behaviours offer an intriguing scenario for beam superimposition
- Concept proven to be valid on UA9 available data and simulations - *promising preliminary results*
- Experimental setup in preparation at CERN SPS - beam granted to UA9 until end of LHC Run 3
- Technique which can be highly beneficial for future generation of colliders



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