

The Zero Degree Detector at BESIII

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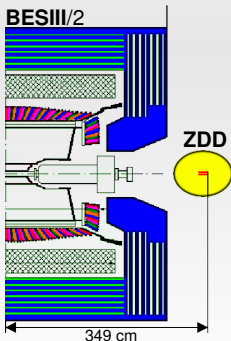
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Each section is made of two modules, upper and lower, volume $14 \times 4 \times 6 \text{ cm}^3$ each

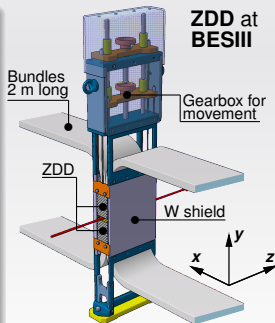
The empty 10 mm-wide slot between the upper and lower module geometrically suppresses the Bremsstrahlung background

The calorimeters are arrays of scintillating fibers (60% in volume) embedded in lead

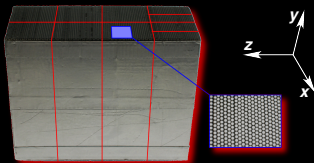
The fibers are lined up along the y axis and read out from the upper or lower face

The modules are segmented in the xz plane the first layer has a thinner segmentation to have a better x-resolution

The signal is extracted and channeled to PM's through bundles of clear optical fibers



ZDD: a lead-scintillating fiber calorimeter



The ZDD segmentation

5	4	3	1
			2
10	9	8	6
			7

← Beam

Each sector is sent to a photomultiplier

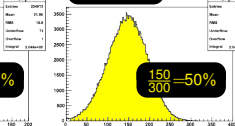
Shower profile along the four layers with 450 MeV electrons

PM's: 1+2+6+7



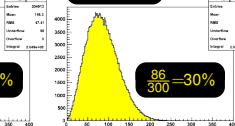
$$\frac{32}{300} = 10\%$$

PM's: 3+8



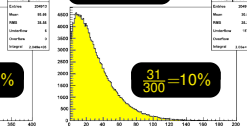
$$\frac{150}{300} = 50\%$$

PM's: 4+9



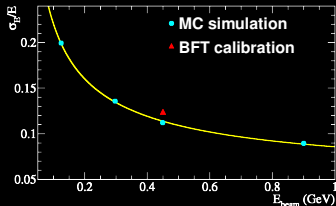
$$\frac{86}{300} = 30\%$$

PM's: 5+10



$$\frac{31}{300} = 10\%$$

The ZDD accuracy



The resolution is

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{p_0}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}} \oplus p_1$$

● $p_0 = 6.8\%$

● $p_1 = 5.2\%$

