

PMT
Reconstruction
& Analysis

2-day Analysis meeting
19-20/09/2024, L'Aquila
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Let's resume all the information:

- Time over threshold** gives me the alpha ΔZ
 - Together with camera XY angle \Rightarrow theta angle
- The **position of the Bragg** peak tells me angle theta signal in Z
 - (Towards cathode or GEMs)
- Relative amplitudes between PMTs** give me the **quadrant position** in X-Y
 - Useful for **basic association** cluster-waveform
- ~~Skewness of Bragg peak (within the waveform) difference between PMTs gives me the direction of the~~
 - Analyser class (directionality)** gives me **Angle in X-Y (phi)** and the ΔXY
 - Could be confirmed / tested against PMT Bragg peak skewness method
 - ~~Bragg peak more prominent because the track are small, thus geometrical effect plays a smaller role~~
 - ~~Also gives a hint of the X-Y angle, but this is easier to get with the camera~~

Reconstructed info:

- ΔZ
- Theta angle
- ΔXY
- Phi angle
- Signal of theta + phi == Head-tail



3D reconstruction

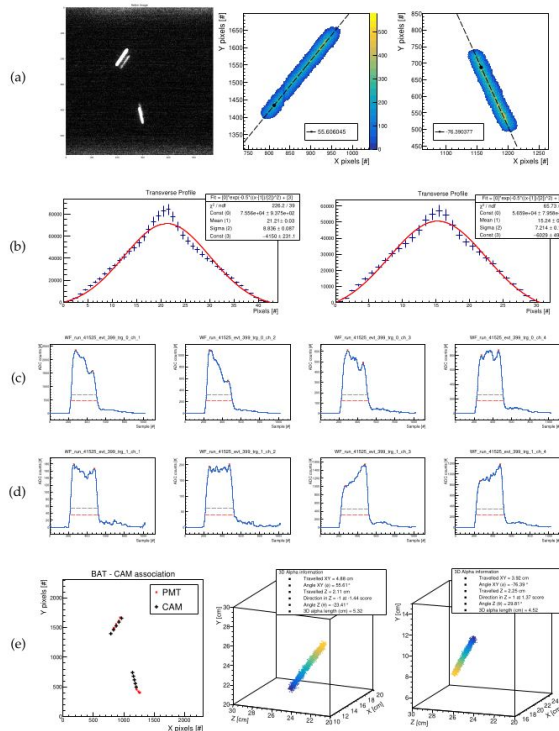


Figure 1.8: Full example of the analysis pipeline for the alpha particles identified in a given picture (run 41525, picture 399): (a) Original picture and sCMOS analysis of both alphas; (b) Light transverse profile of the alpha tracks; (c) and (d) the set of 4 waveforms for each trigger identified as alpha tracks; (e) waveform cluster association and final 3D projection in the real LIME framework.

Previous episodes:

1. [\[https://agenda.infn.it/event/41735/\]](https://agenda.infn.it/event/41735/)
[Initial look at alpha tracks for directional & head-tail determination](#)
2. [\[https://agenda.infn.it/event/42030/\]](https://agenda.infn.it/event/42030/)
[1 Update on ... - 3D reconstructed alpha tracks](#)
3. [\[https://agenda.infn.it/event/42653/\]](https://agenda.infn.it/event/42653/)
[2 Update on ... - 3D reconstructed alpha tracks](#)
4. [\[https://agenda.infn.it/event/43123/\]](https://agenda.infn.it/event/43123/)
[3 Update on ... Techical update Coordinates & Shadows](#)

Full framework retrieves and saves all the relevant information automatically, including plots .

#4 Update on ...

3D alphas -

Statistical results

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BAT 1-to-1 association

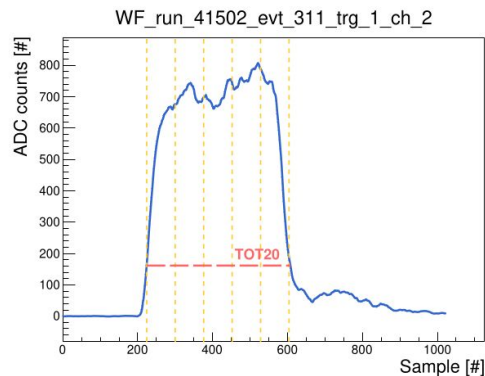
1. Missing (?) features

- Color gradient is fake \Rightarrow Worth to associate it to longitudinal
- Electron cloud not plotted \Rightarrow Worth to take 2D transversal
- ToT doesn't take into account minimum signal temporal width
- **Improve association**
 - **Using BAT?**
- Improve theta signal calculation \Rightarrow Also probably using BAT
- Get some basic PMT Alpha cuts to allow PMT-only analysis
- Optimize Analyzer code (cross-check parameters, increase

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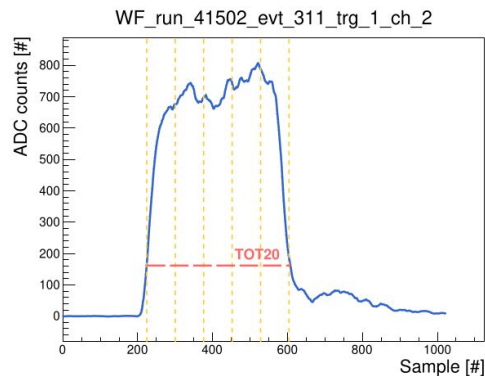
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$$= A * \frac{1}{4096} * \frac{4}{3} * \frac{1}{50}$$

| run | event | trigger | index | L1 | L2 | L3 | L4 | |
|-----|-------|---------|-------|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 0 | 11278 | 95 | 1 | 0 | 0.005788 | 0.012255 | 0.064120 | 0.022083 |
| 1 | 11278 | 103 | 1 | 0 | 0.036428 | 0.026936 | 0.012346 | 0.013160 |
| 2 | 11278 | 170 | 1 | 0 | 0.015781 | 0.018762 | 0.025400 | 0.018652 |
| 3 | 11278 | 204 | 2 | 0 | 0.014438 | 0.021052 | 0.028779 | 0.017780 |
| 4 | 11278 | 267 | 3 | 0 | 0.023758 | 0.030755 | 0.011108 | 0.006798 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 200 | 11177 | 342 | 0 | 0 | 0.016921 | 0.019090 | 0.016594 | 0.018878 |
| 201 | 11176 | 41 | 1 | 0 | 0.013646 | 0.025133 | 0.025018 | 0.013525 |
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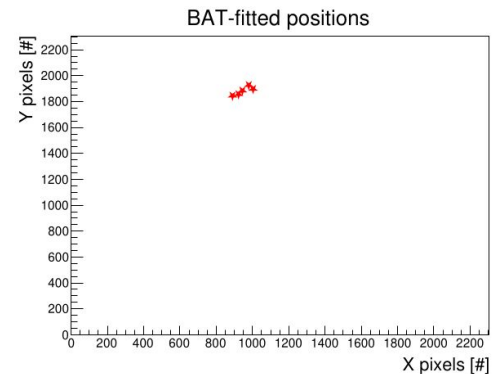
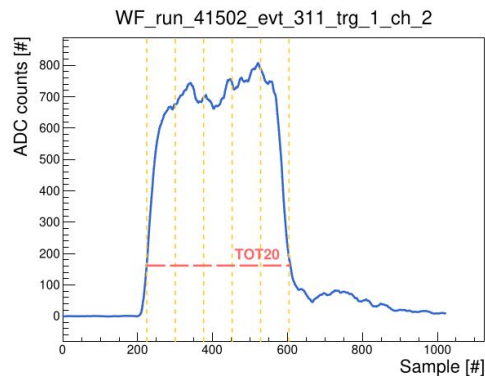
Input data:

- *index* = peak index in the waveform (needed for non spot-like tracks!)
- L_{1-4} must be in **nC!**
- **Input file** must have each line with these fields separated by a tab.

```
Reco_3D > bat_files > input_for_bat.txt
1 41525 399 1 0 0.000932541 0.000983476 0.00531117 0.00458673
2 41525 399 1 1 0.00107476 0.00119337 0.00691235 0.0058587
3 41525 399 1 2 0.000985412 0.00119586 0.00764 0.00607585
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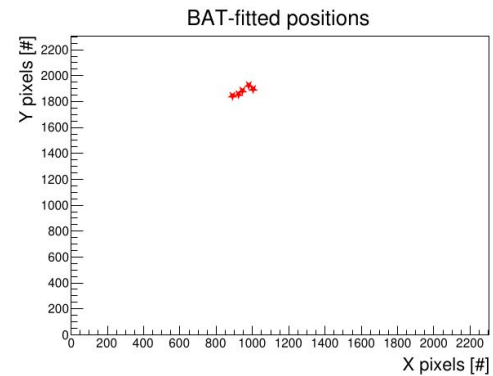
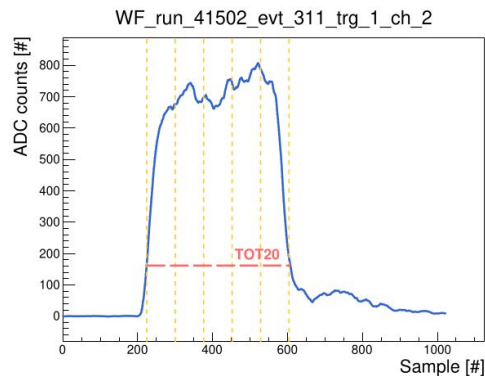


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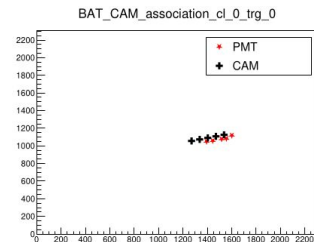
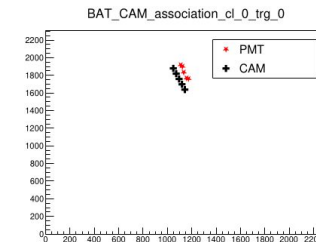
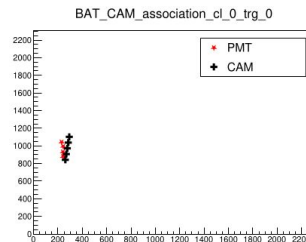
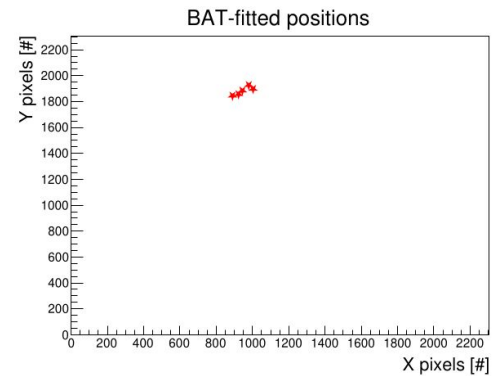
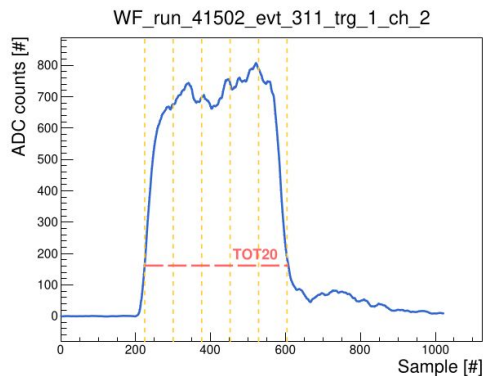
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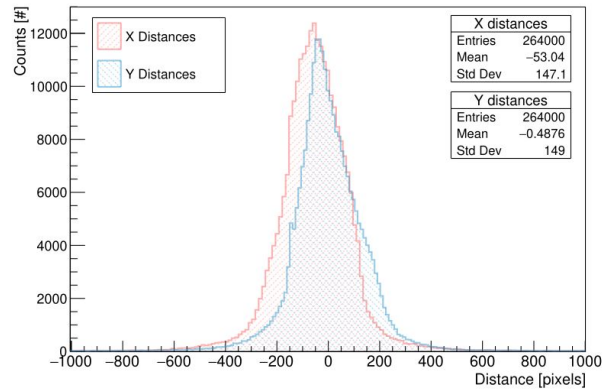
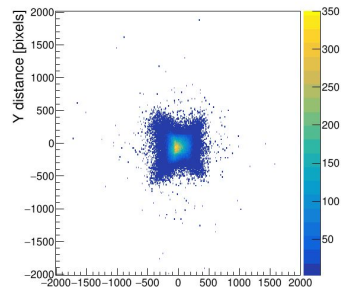
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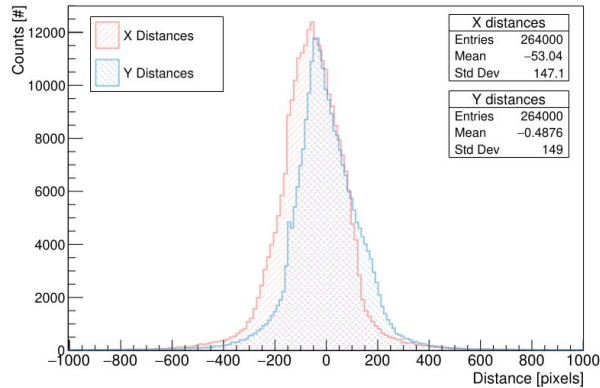
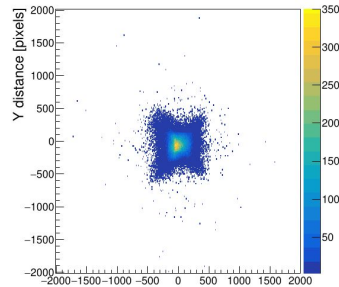


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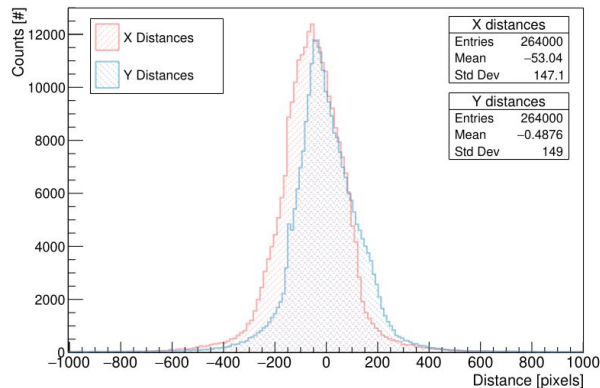
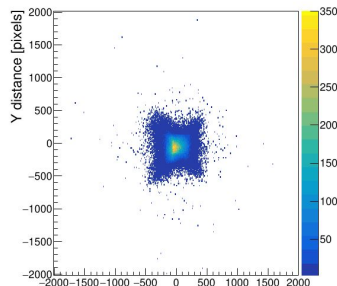


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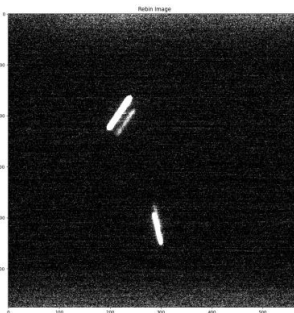


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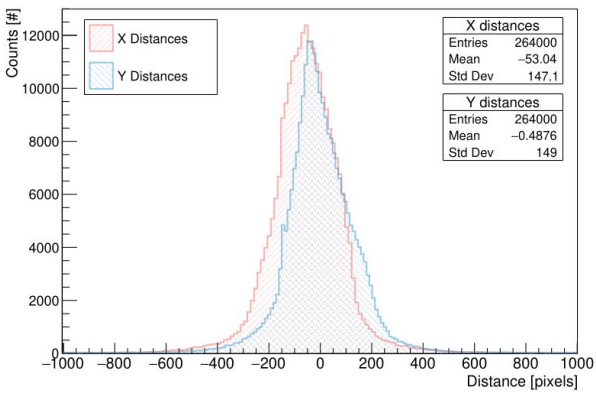
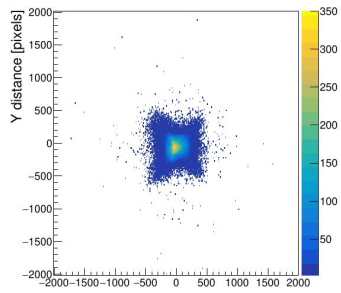
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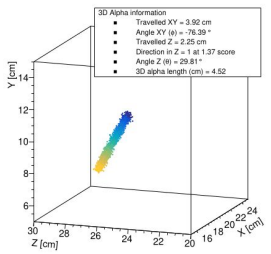
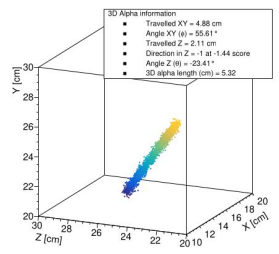
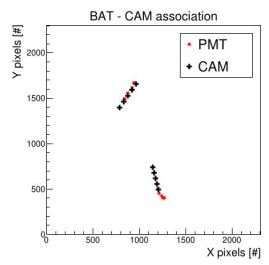
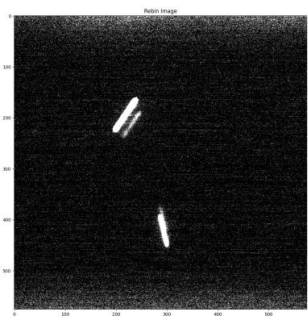
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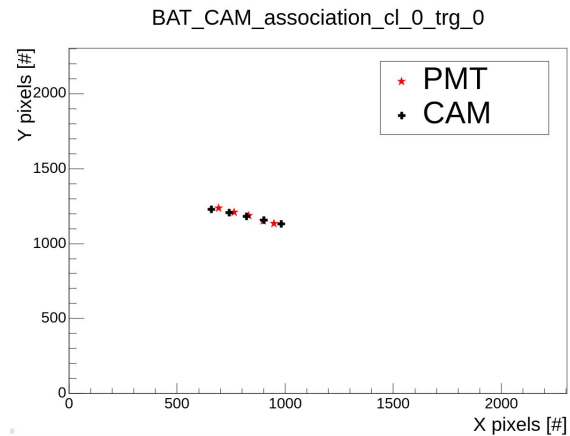
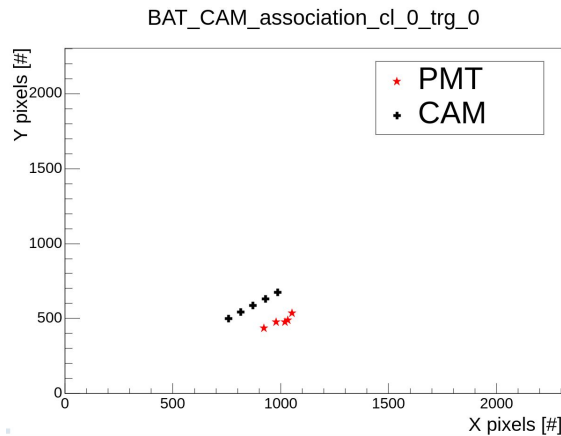


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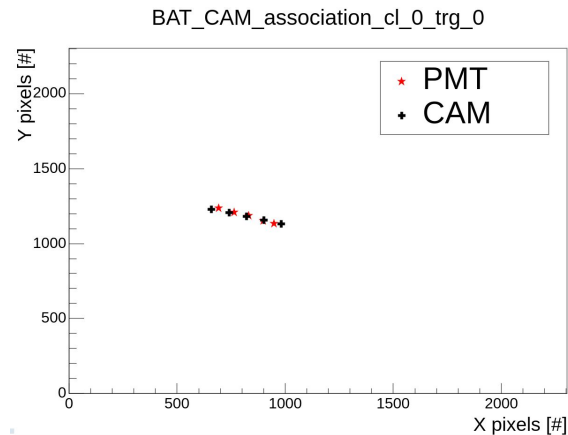
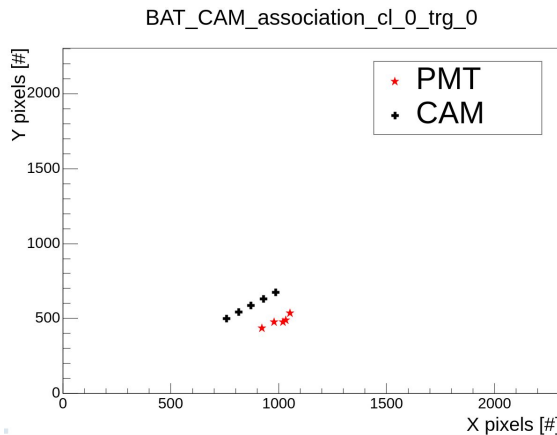


PMT 3D reco – BAT-CAM association

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There are clear reasons to not have a perfect fit:

1. When the [waveforms are saturated](#) due to high gain, we **lose proportionality** \Rightarrow BAT-fit works better in the middle region.
2. Offsets due to [inaccurate gain balance](#) \Rightarrow F. Borra recently updated the code to improve this, but I haven't checked.
3. [Barreling effect](#) from lens towards the sides farther difficulties the fit \Rightarrow Giorgio working on it

While this is interesting, the **optimization**; test of other **types of particles**; implementation at **front-end level** is *out-of-scope for my work*.

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|--------|-----------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|---|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| DONE | YES | 1 | 2023-12-01 15:08 | 2023-12-04 9:39 | 40784- | 40917 Stability | | 133 | 53200 | 5 Blu |
| | | | 2023-12-04 10:23 | 2023-12-14 16:40 | 40919- | 42848 Bkg + Daily Calibrations | | 1929 | 771600 | 5 Blu |
| | | | 2023-12-14 18:07:07 | 2023-12-16 10:17:27 | 42863- | 43185 Bkg + Daily Calibrations Low GAIN | | 322 | 128800 | 5 Blu |
| | | | 2023-12-15 11:54:46 | 2023-12-15 14:44:20 | 42985- | 43050 VGEEM1 scan | | 65 | 26000 | 5 Blu |
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| | | | 2024-02-04 11:21:19 | 2024-02-05 14:03:49 | 46741- | 46802 Stability + Daily Calibrations- Gas Flow : 5 l/h | | 61 | 24400 | 5 Blu + Rosso |
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| | | | | | 47982- | 47985 DT test: trigger rate 36 Hz, PMT 590 V | | 4 | 1600 | 1 Blu + Rosso |
| | | | | | 47986- | 47989 DT test: trigger rate 26 Hz, PMT 580 V | | 4 | 1600 | 1 Blu + Rosso |
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| | | | 2024-04-02 10:42:22 | | 54411- | 54502 Stability + Daily Calibrations- HIGH recirculation 40 l/h | | 91 | 36400+5*40 | Blu + Rosso + RADON |
| DONE | YES | 4 | 2024-04-04 8:31:50 | 2024-04-08 8:26:06 | 54503- | 55093 Bkg + Daily Calibrations | | 590 | 236000+5*40 | Blu + Rosso + RADON |
| NO | | | 2024-04-08 13:00:06 | | 55101- | 56883 Bkg + Daily Calibrations - Low Gain - Low Drift | | 1782 | 712800+5*40 | Blu + Rosso + RADON |

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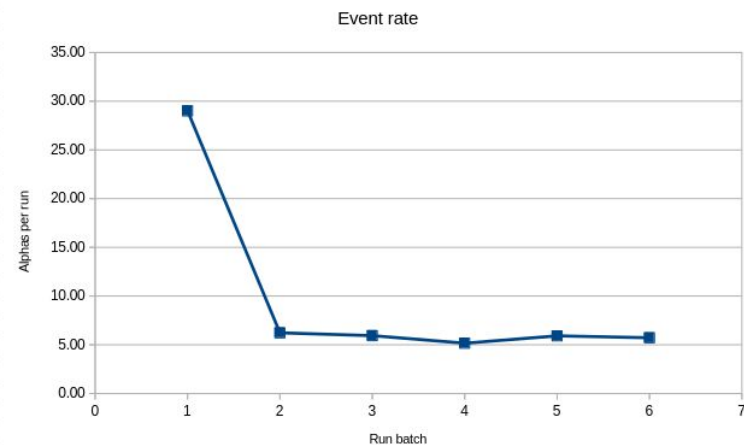
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- ◆ You will sometimes see the cut: "**pmt_direction !=0**"
 - When calculating the angles, I am sometimes unsure of the **sign** of the Z angle (but not the value). To not skew the distribution, I assign it **randomly (-1 or +1)**
 - **Later I realized this can alter (flatten) the distribution if the statistics are very high, so I remove these events.**

1. Alpha frequency in each batch

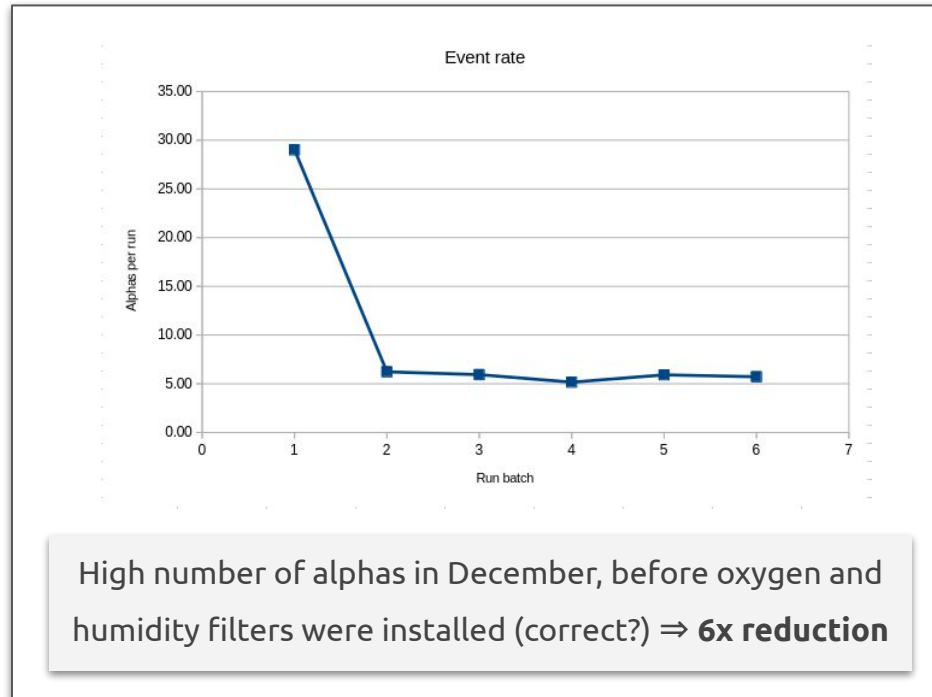
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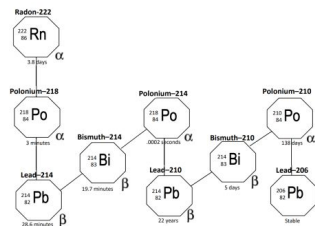
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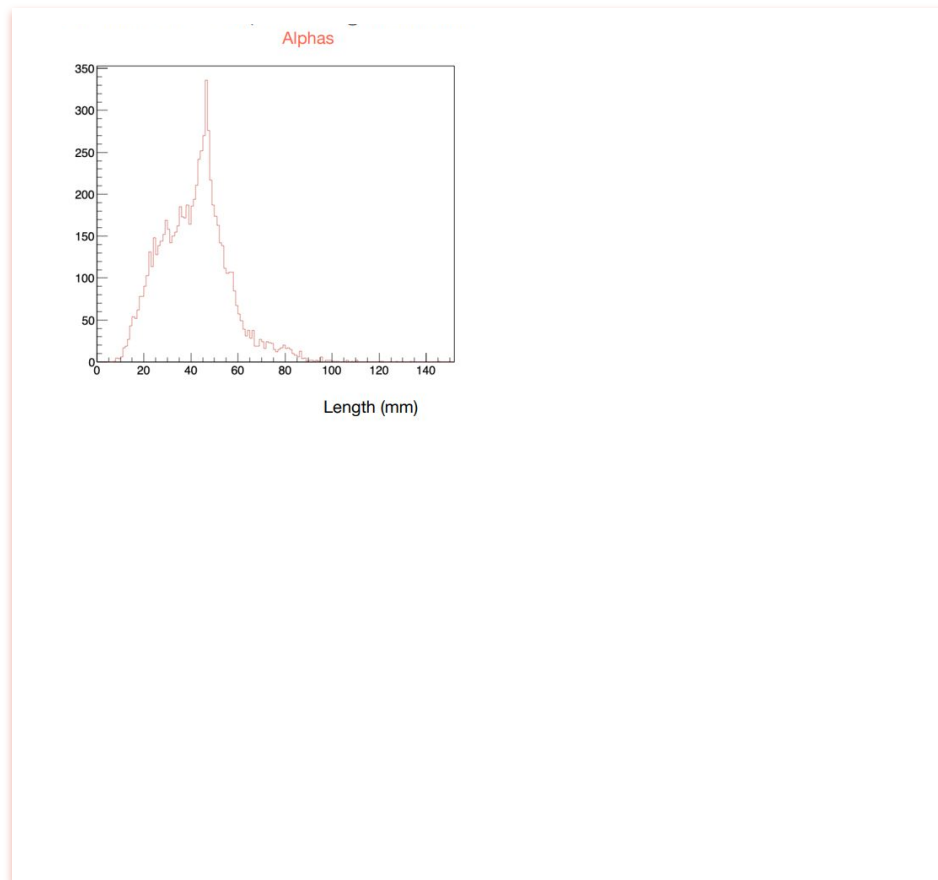
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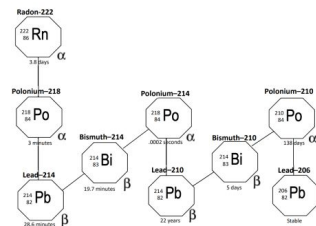


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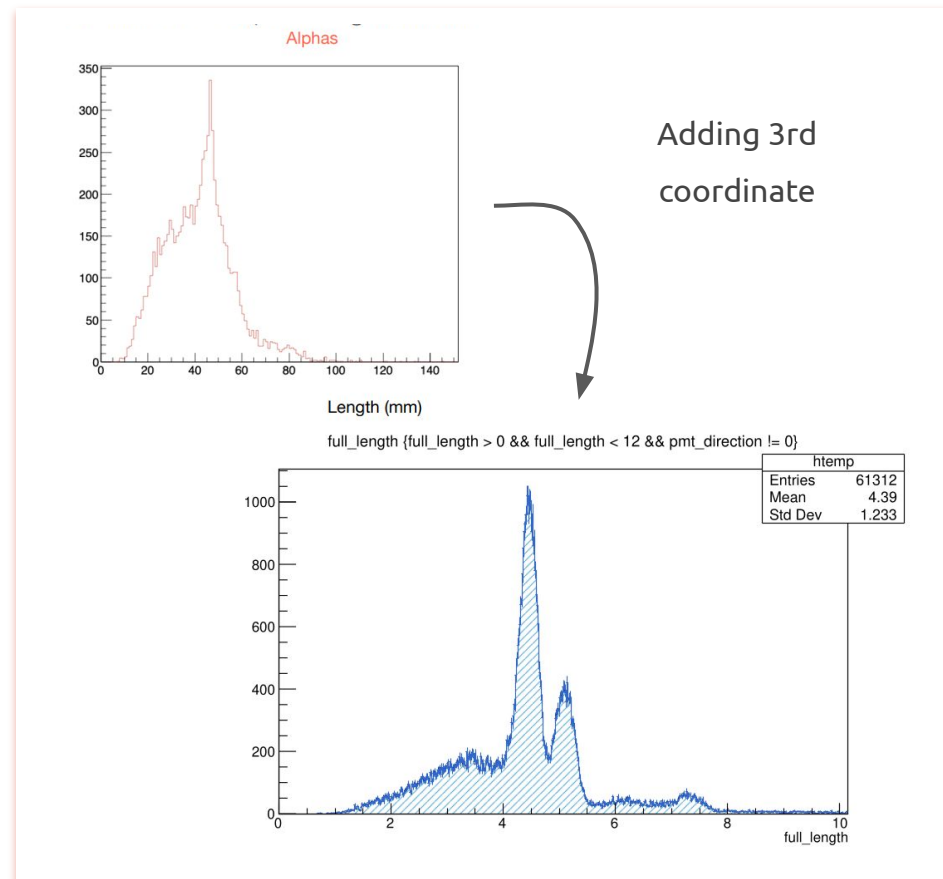
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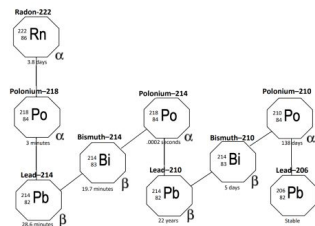


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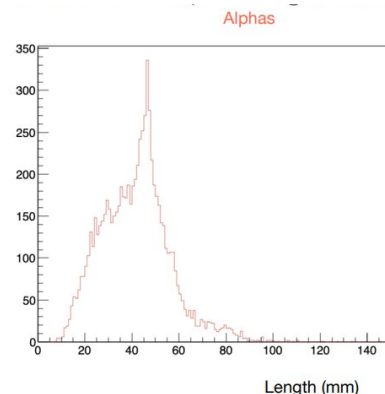
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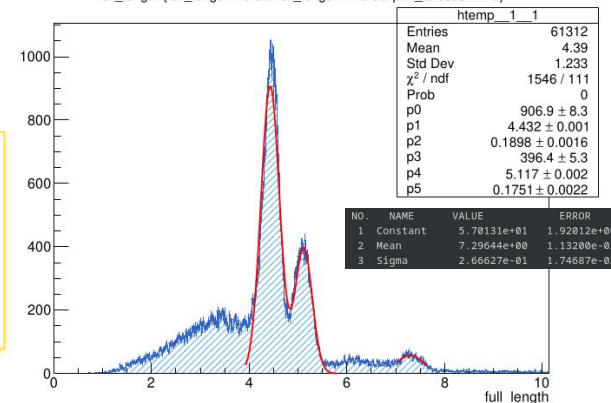
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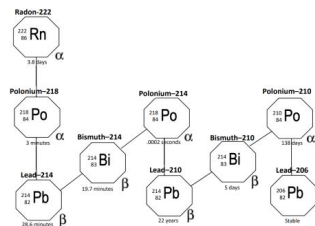
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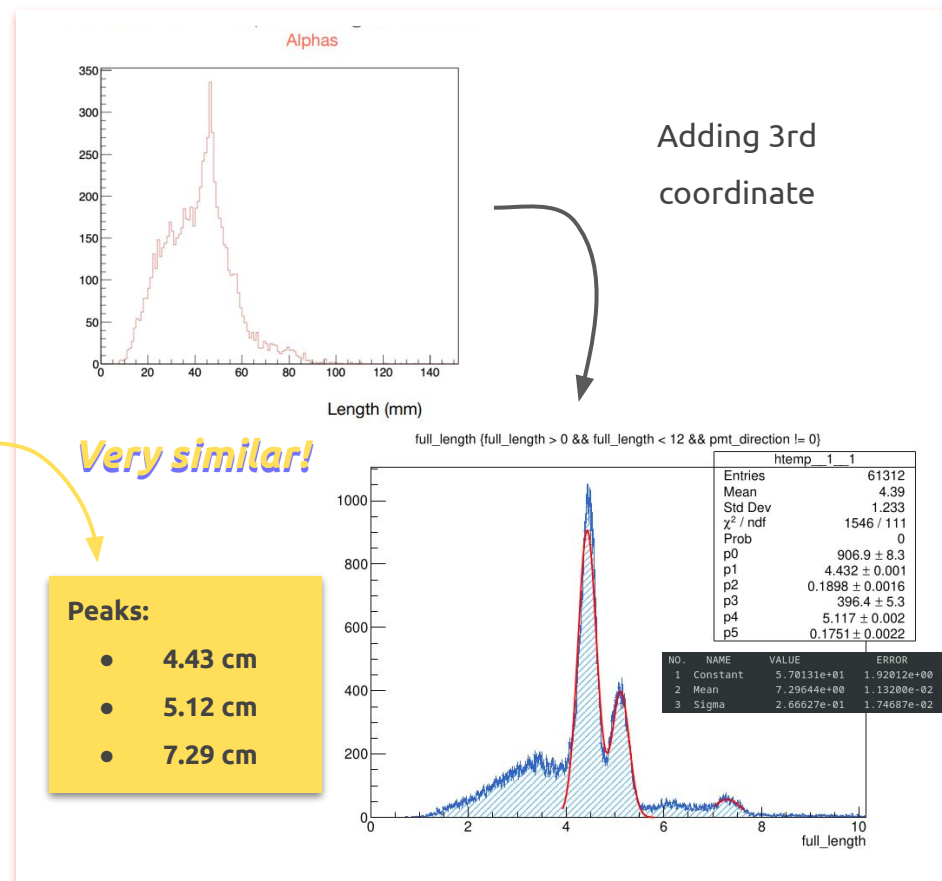
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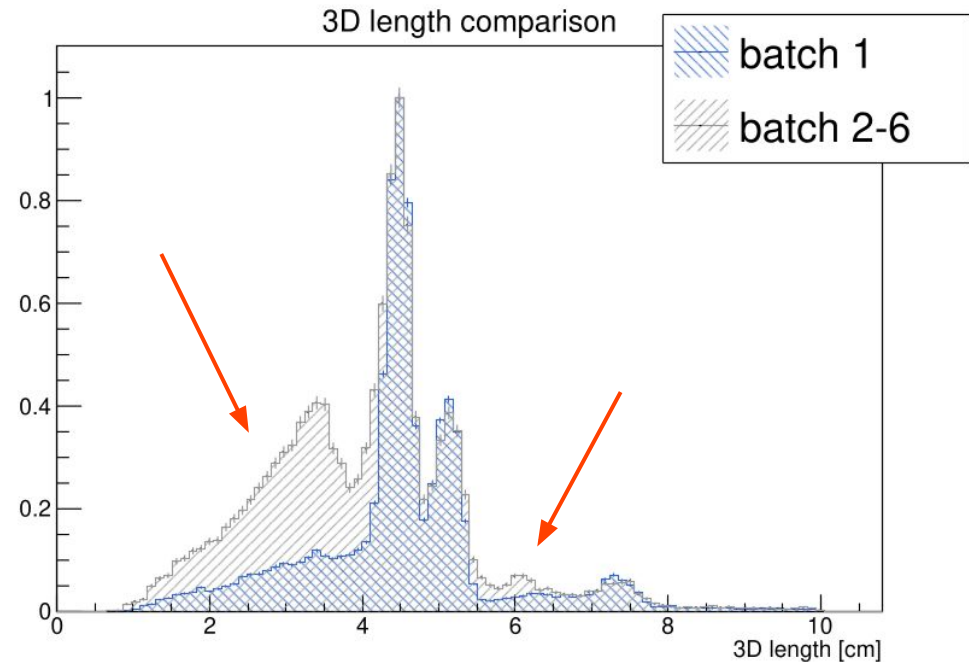
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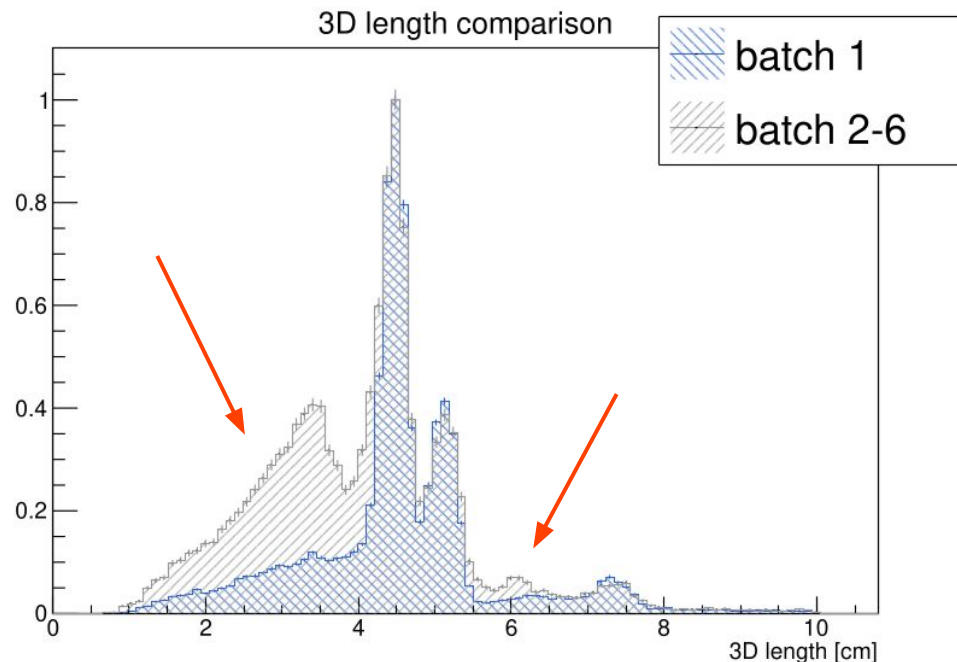


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- The relative quantity of Rn alphas in batch 2-6 reduced, **highlighting other peaks**.
 - ◆ Another **proof of presence of Rn** and posterior effectiveness of filters ✓



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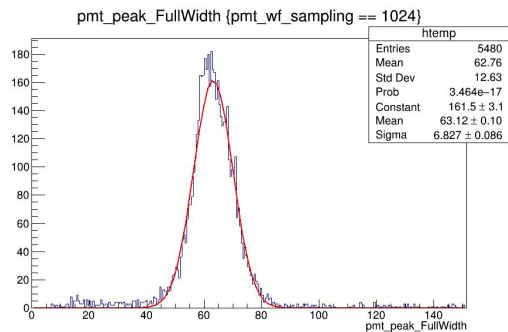
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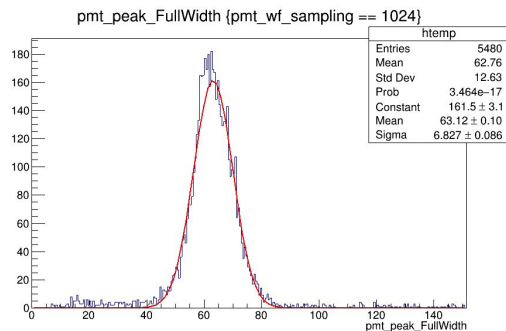
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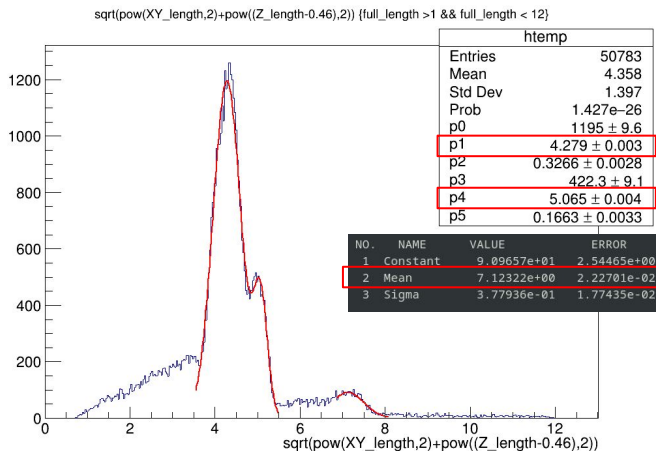
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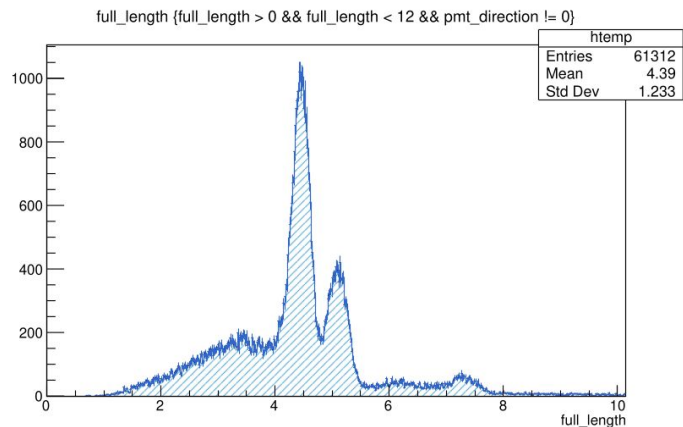
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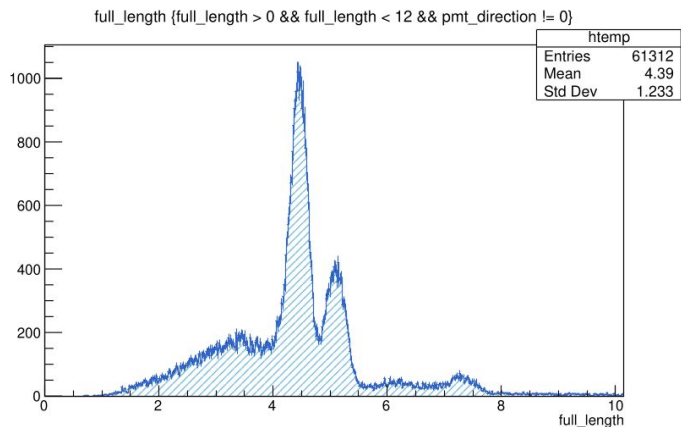
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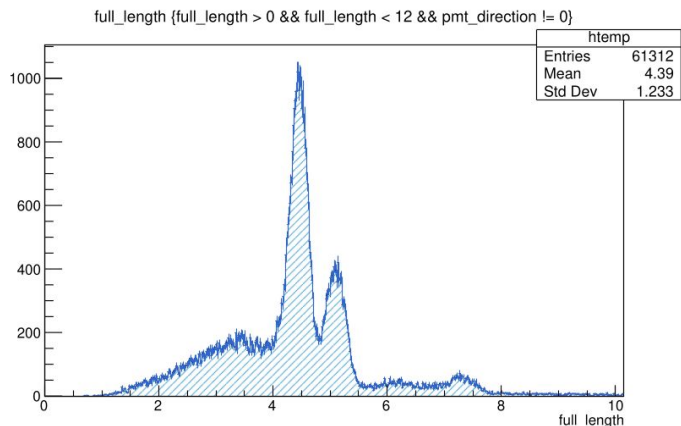


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- How to assess if the **ratios** are correct? Simulation?
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Table 2. Details of the α and β decays from ^{226}Ra and ^{222}Rn decay chain half-life $T_{1/2}$ of each element and the decay mode. For α -decays, it summarizes α -particles and the kinetic energy E_{α} , and ionization Q_{ion} energies of daughter α -daughter nuclei were estimated with SRIM [15]. For β -decays, it summarizes E_{β} .

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|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| From ^{226}Ra | | | | |
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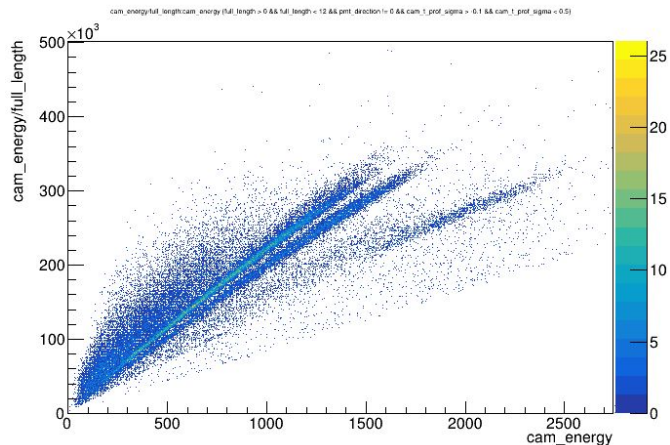
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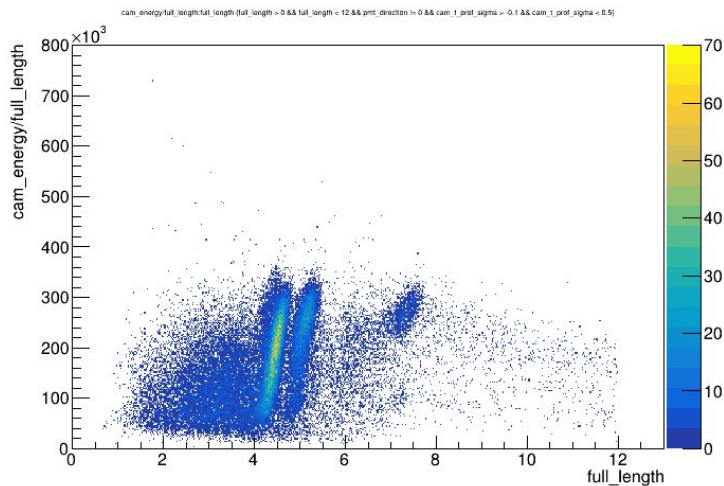
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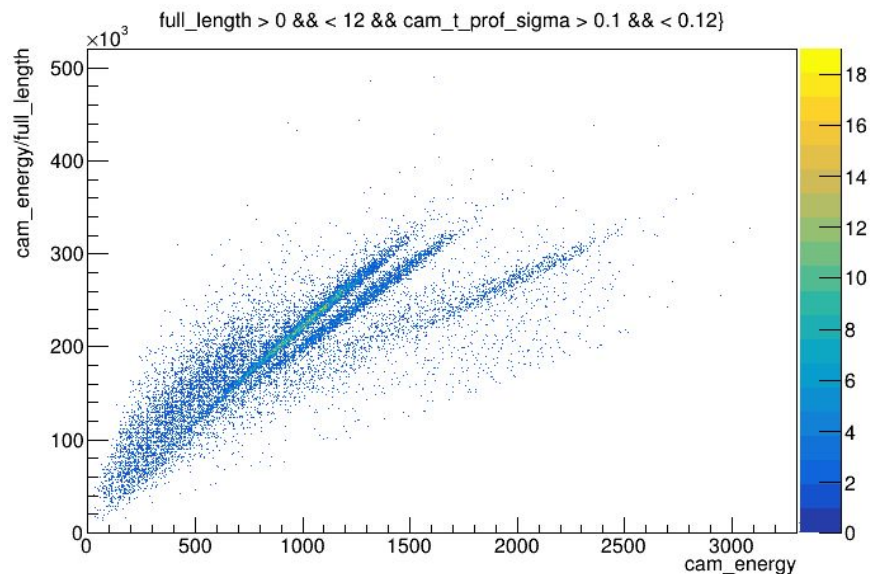
◆ They are not points because of saturation!

● *Could saturation be studied from here?*



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... It was suggested to look at the dE/dx at different absolute Z

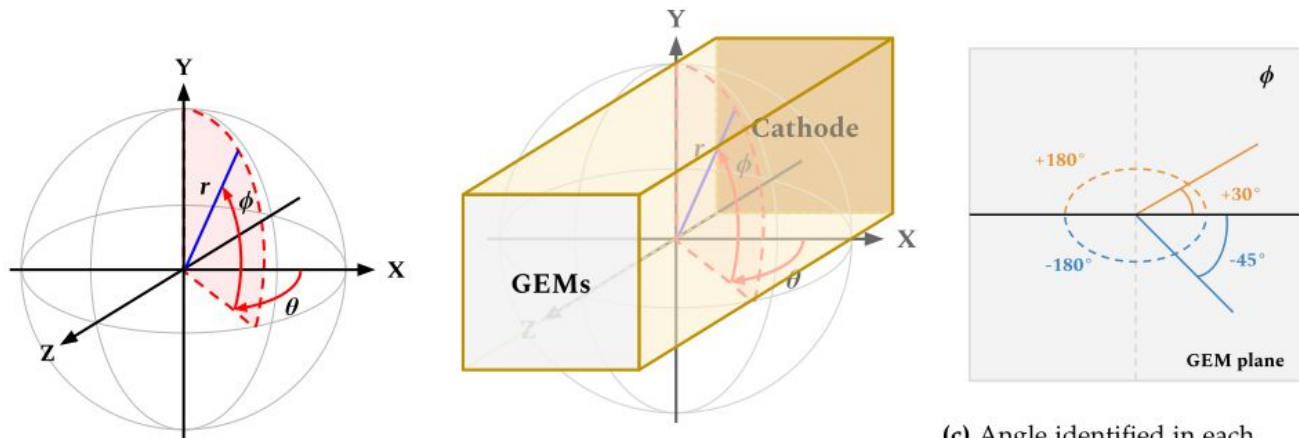


- By selecting a band in “diffusion” (ie, selecting a “Z band”):
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(a) Coordinate system.

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Figure 1.5: System of coordinates and angles used in the analysis of LIME data.

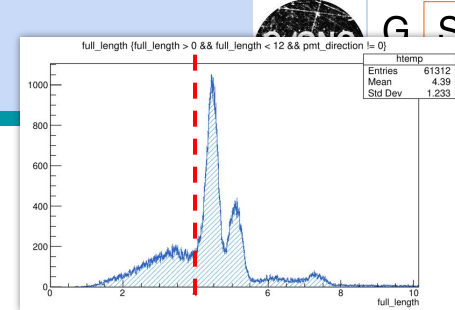
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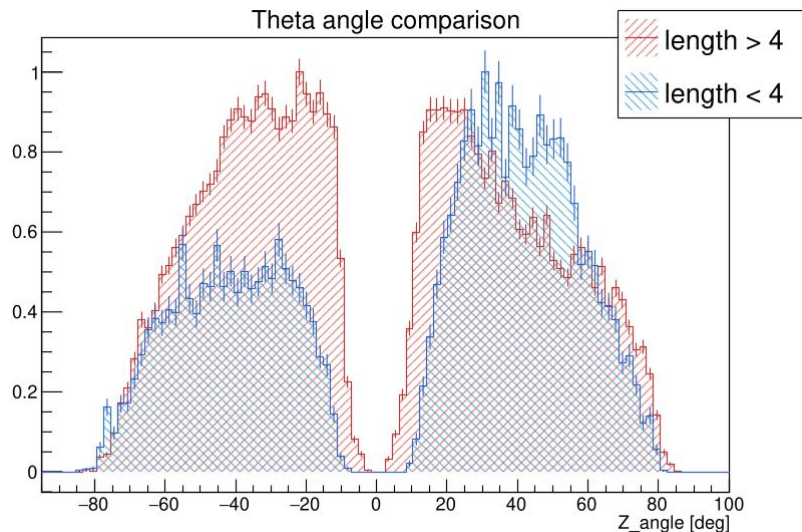
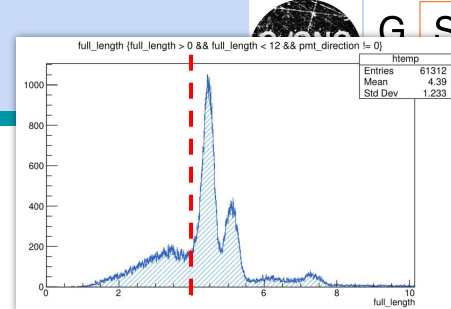
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 - ◆ Perhaps coming from cathode? ⇒ To investigate with absolute Z

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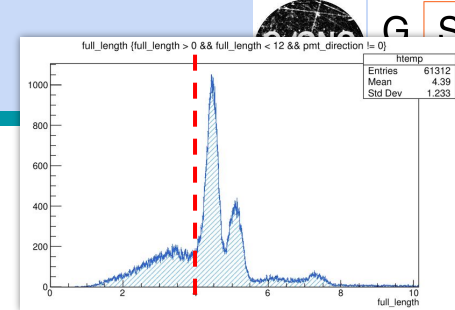
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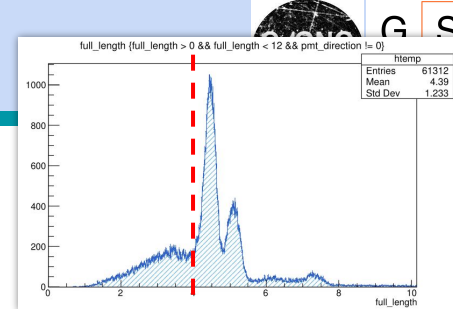
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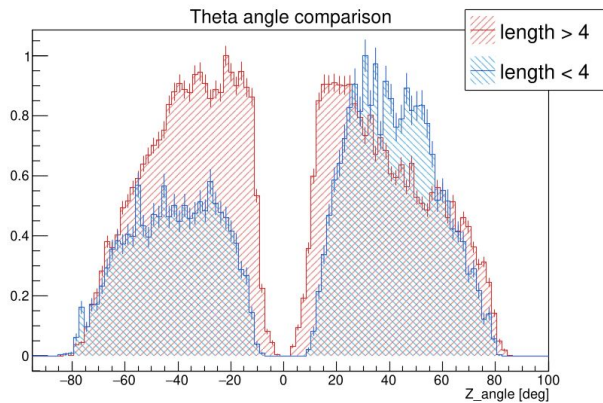
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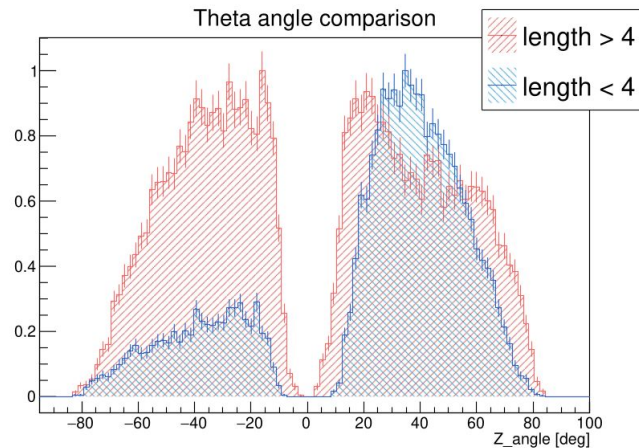
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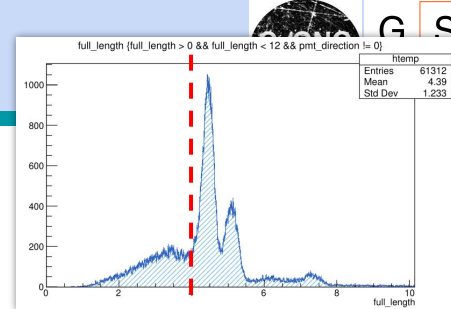
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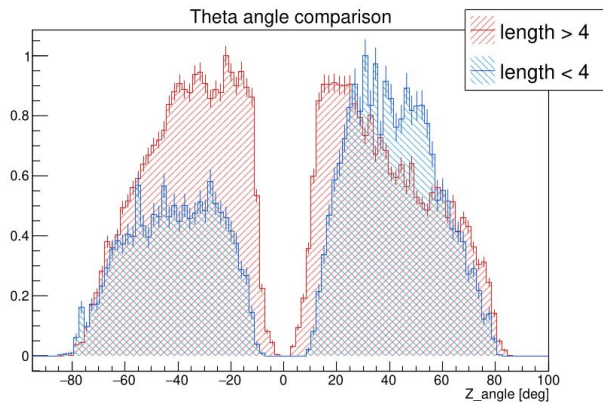
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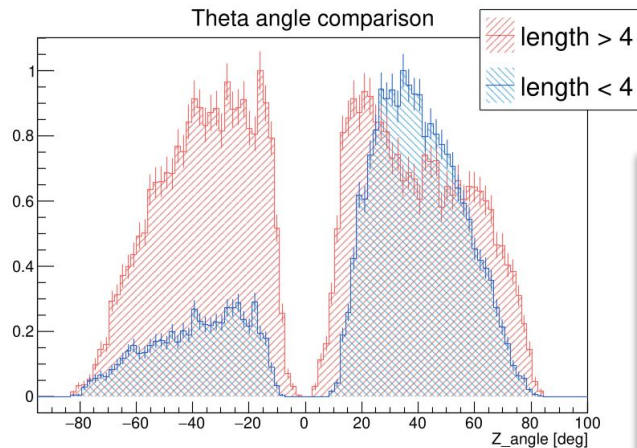
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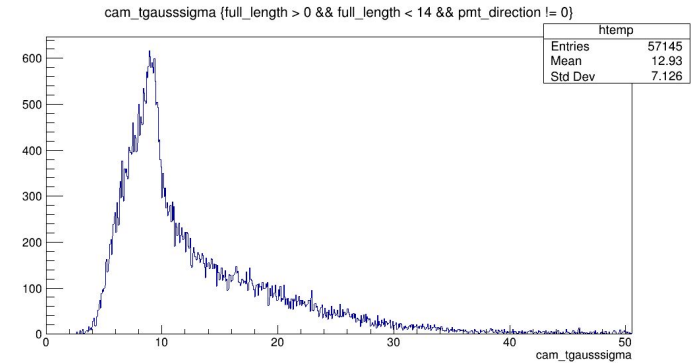
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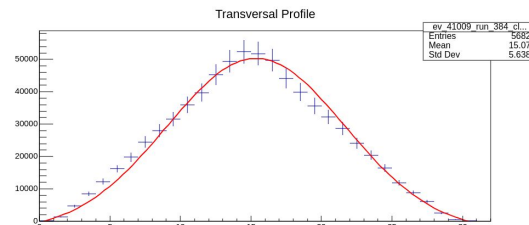
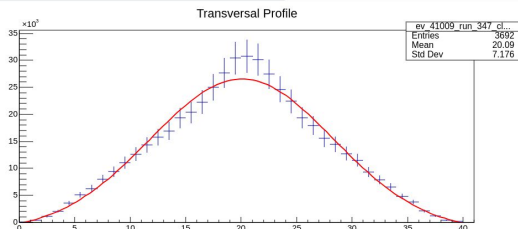
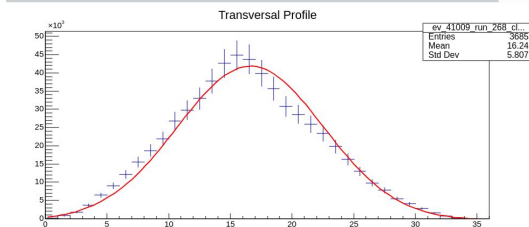
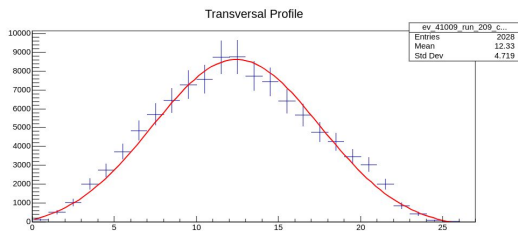
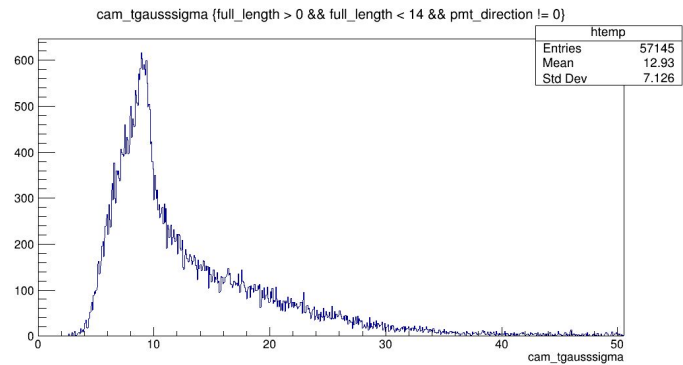
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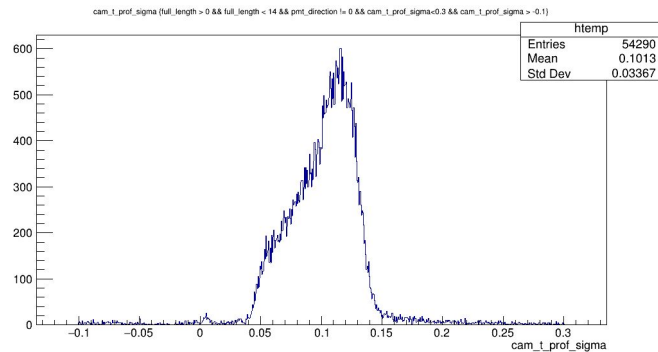
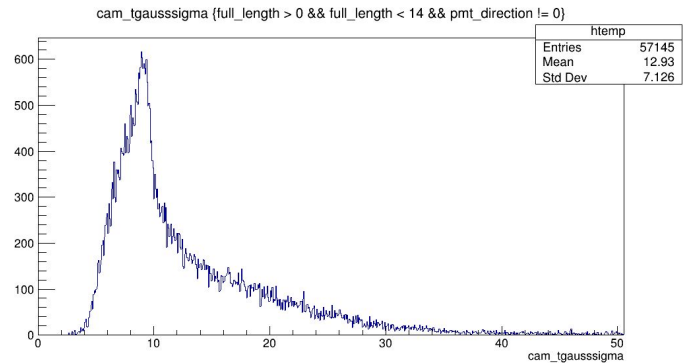
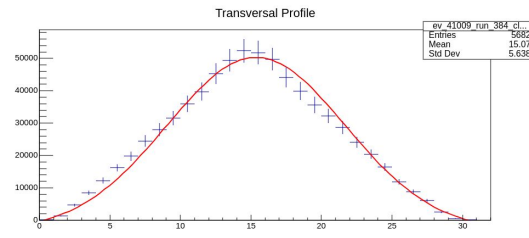
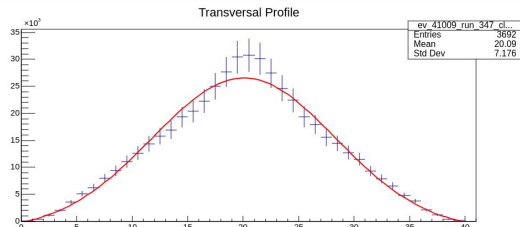
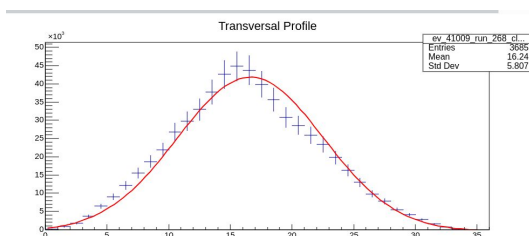
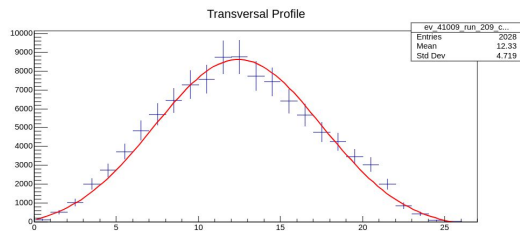
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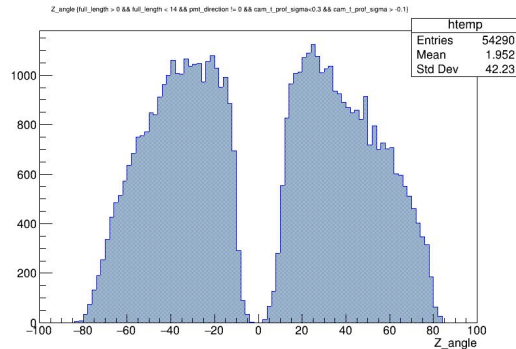
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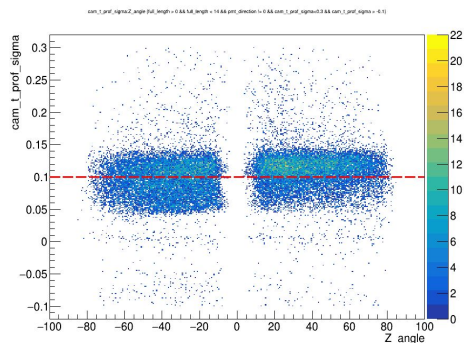
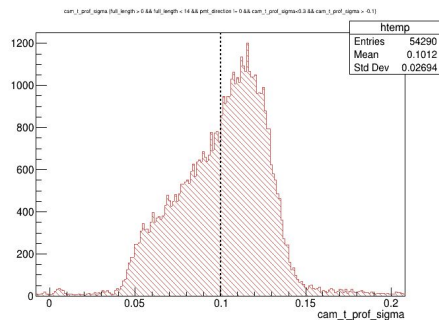
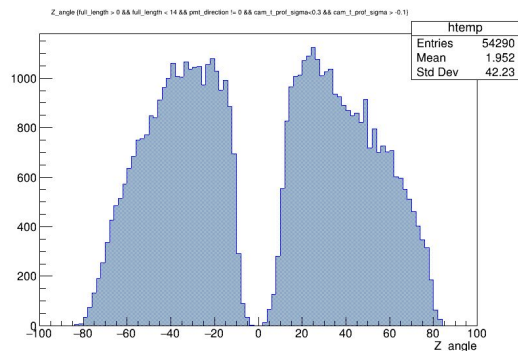
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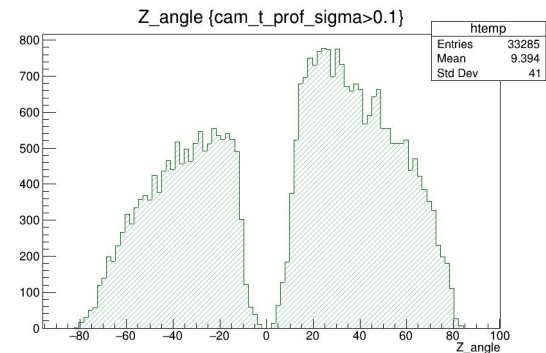
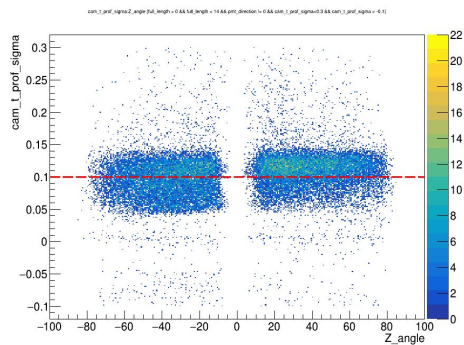
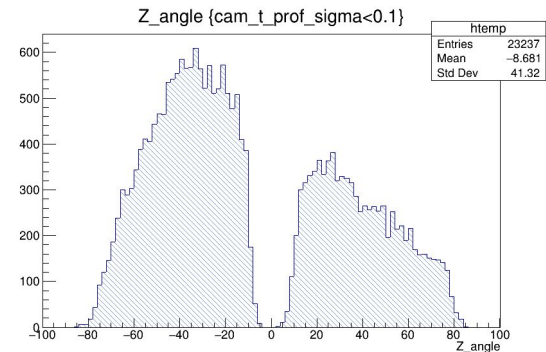
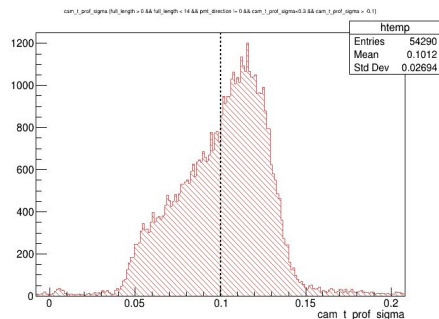
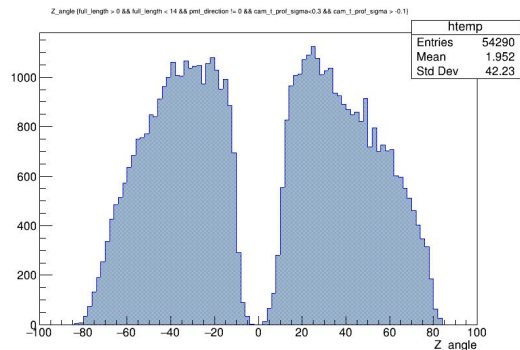
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6. Correlations

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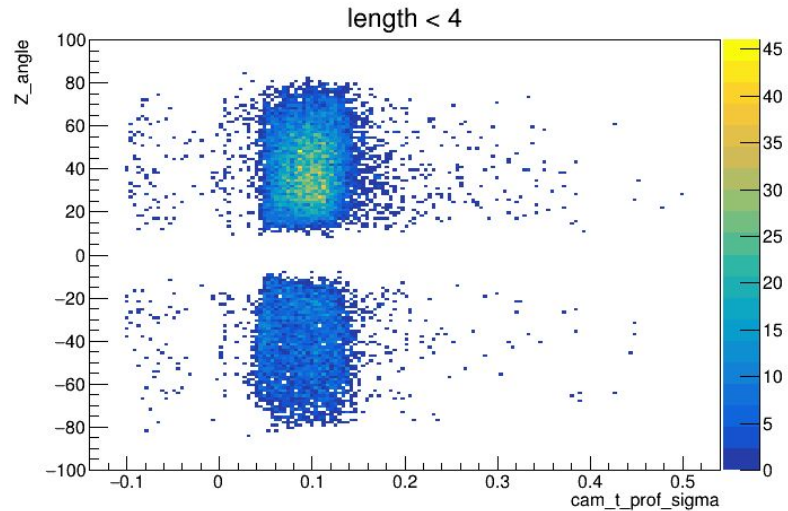
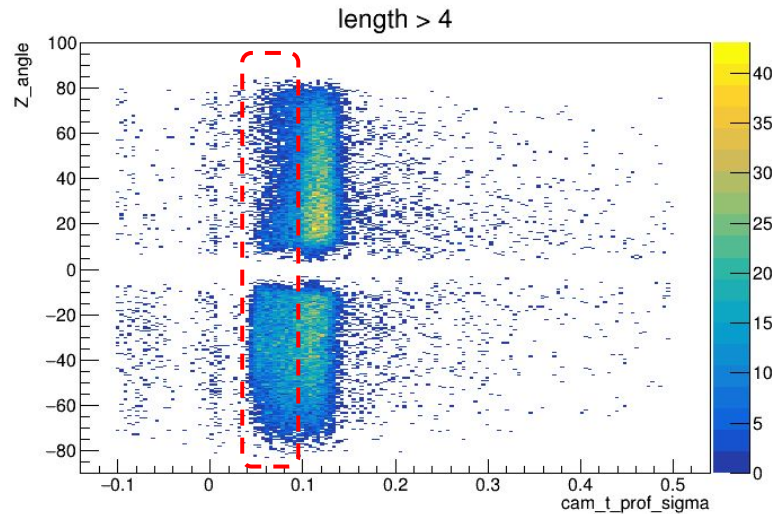
Smaller sigma shows more tracks towards the cathode (eventually from GEMs); while higher **sigmas** show more angles towards GEM (eventually from cathode)

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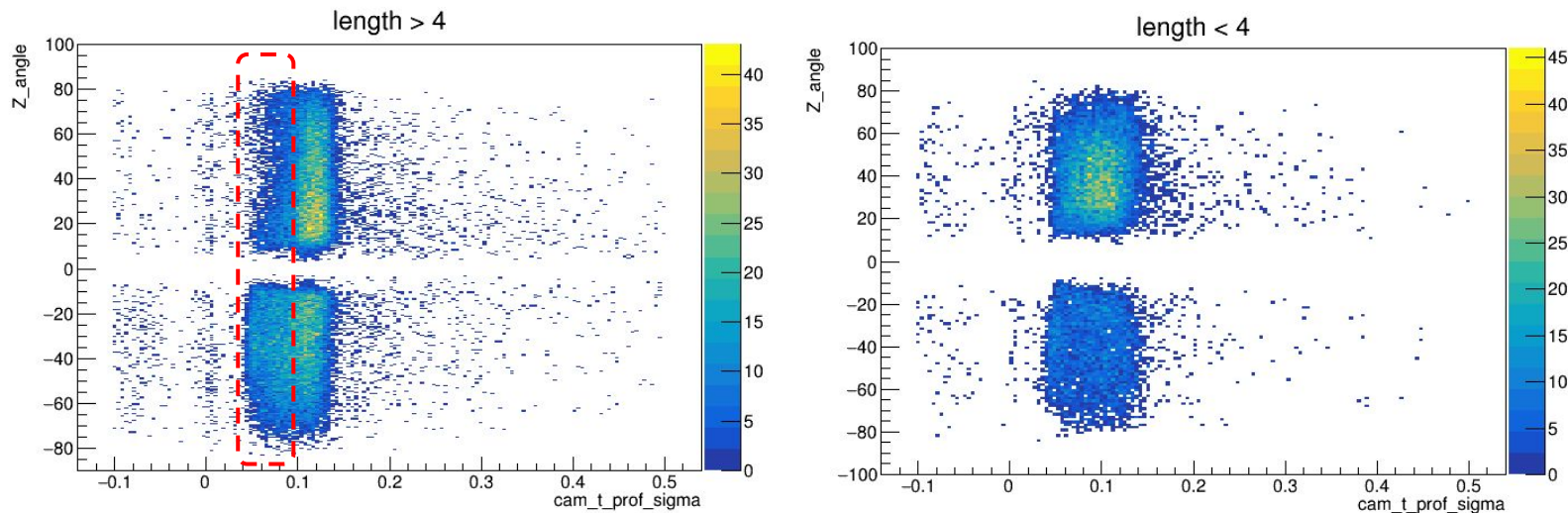
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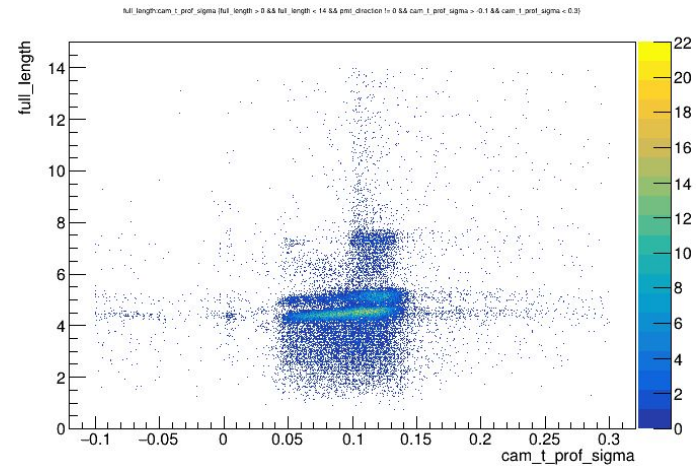
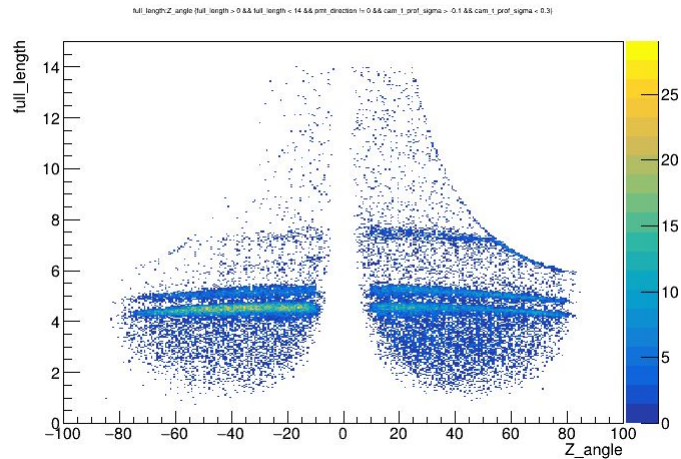
For Rn alphas: towards GEMs, preferentially at higher Z, while towards the cathode is more evenly distributed. For random alphas, all Z mixed.

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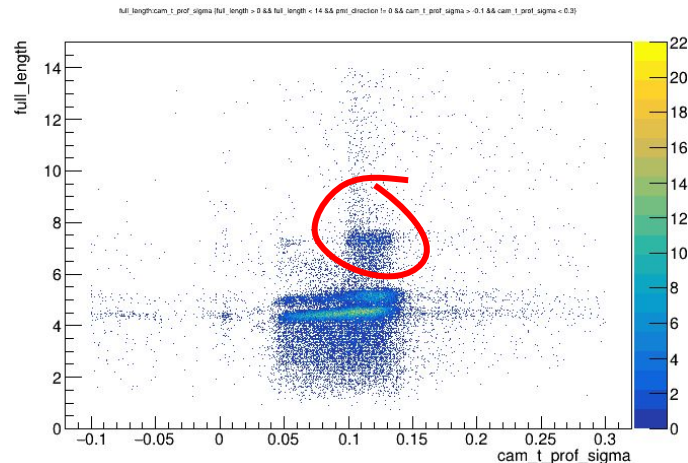
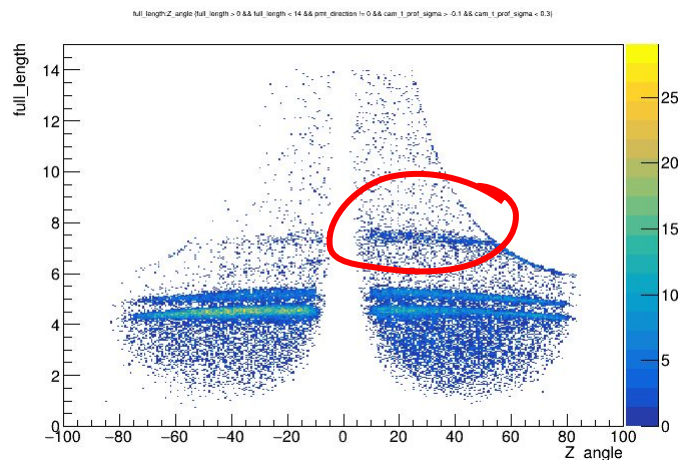
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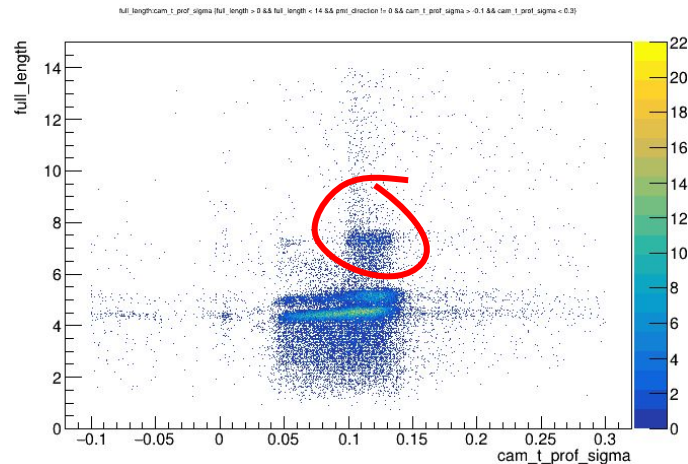
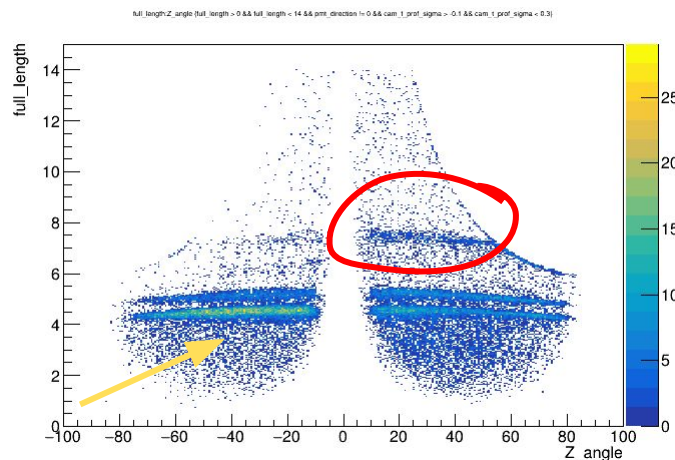
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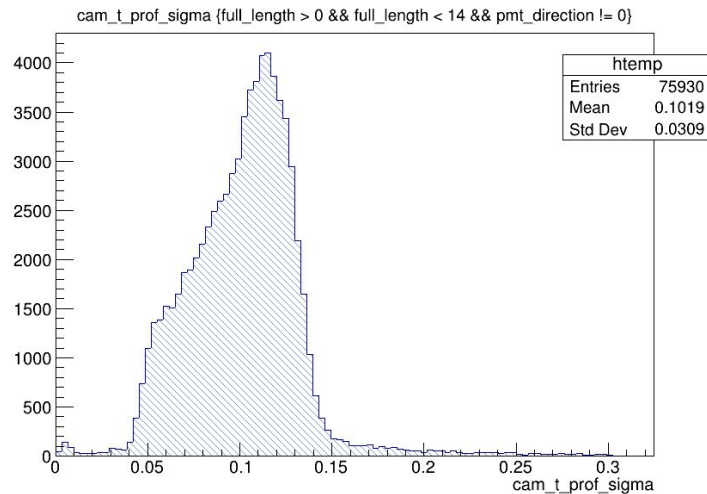
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- Alphas at 4 cm length also see a big preference towards the cathode instead.

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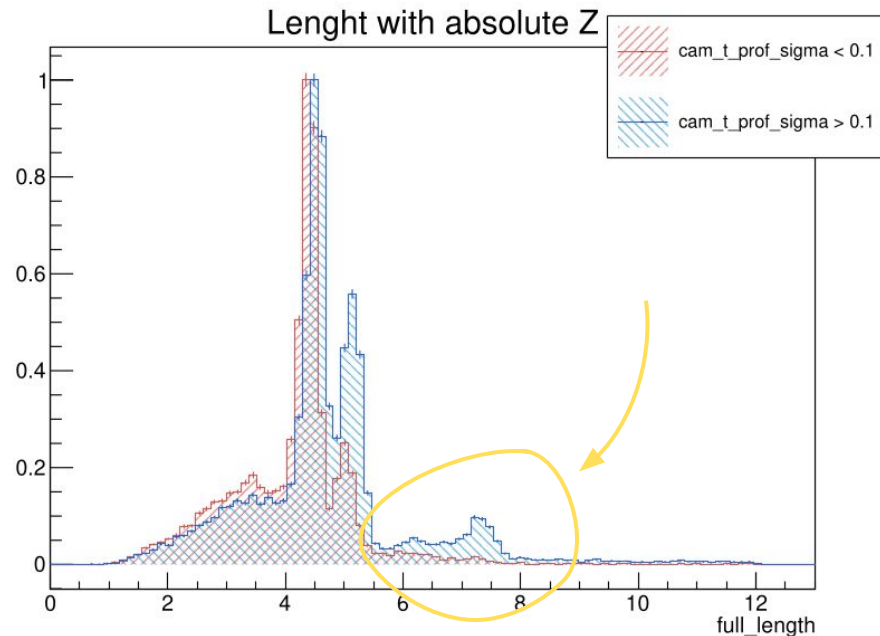
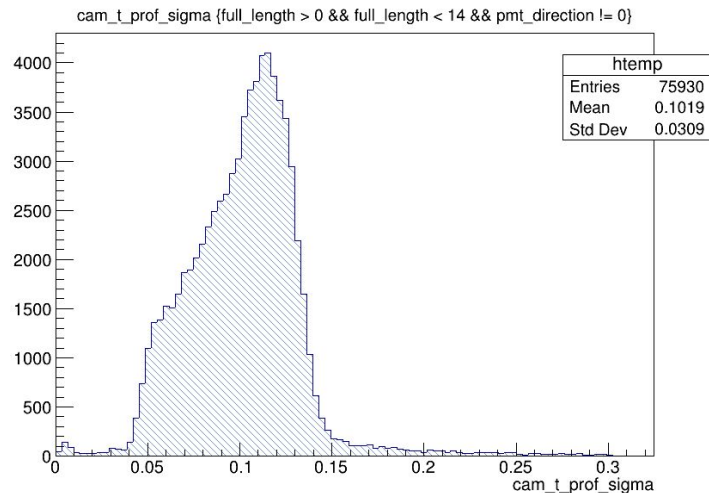
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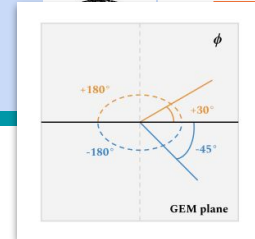
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→ When cutting the high Z tracks, the alpha component at 7 cm disappears.

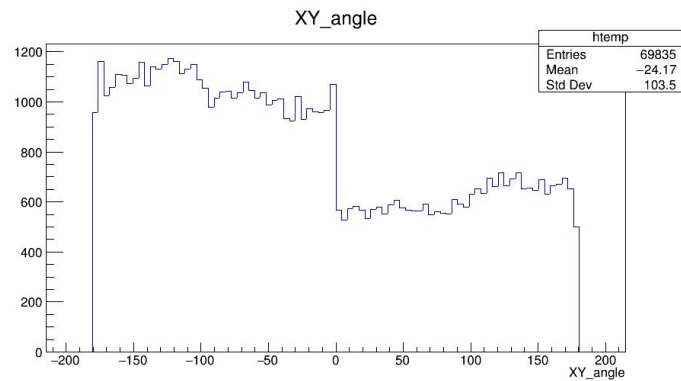
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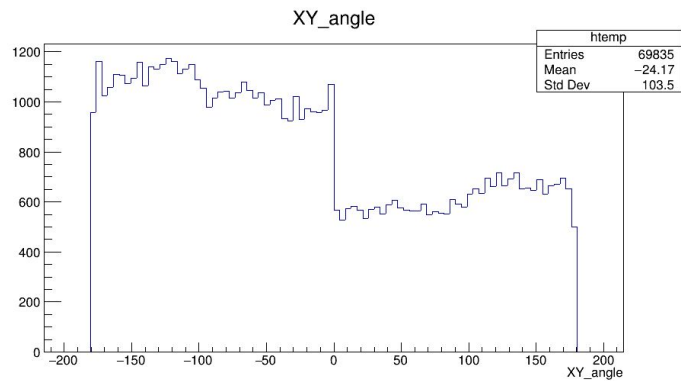


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PMT Reco & Analysis

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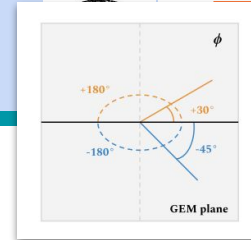
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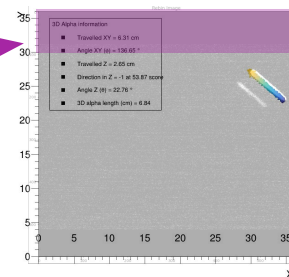
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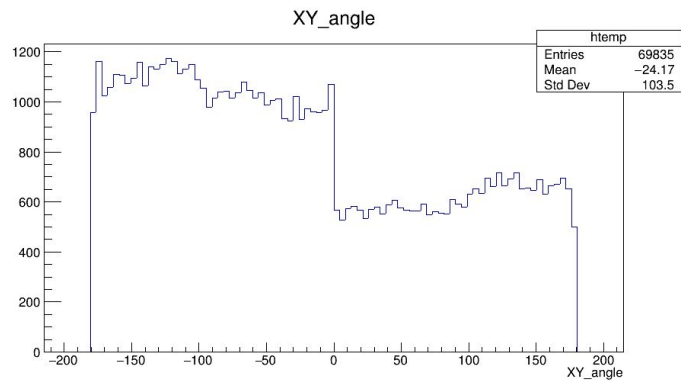
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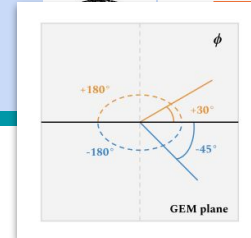
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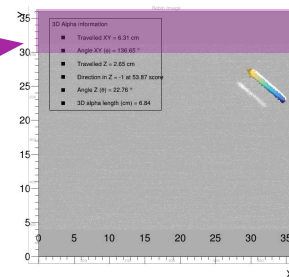


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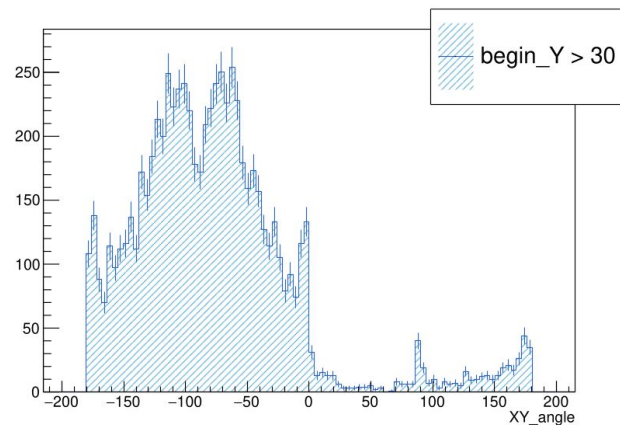


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→ Checks out! ✓



Conclusions:

- **3D reco & analysis framework is built and working well for alpha particles.**
 - ◆ Selection and cuts focused on alpha particles.
 - Application of the methodology for other types of particles is to be done!
- 3D length is a great variable to perform analysis on alpha particles since it doesn't saturate like the energy
- Distribution of different angles indicative of source of alpha particles. To be deepened.

Next steps (from my side):

- **Study of Rn progeny chains and comparison with literature** (Mimac / Drift / Leubenstein / Flaminia's thesis) ⇒ For final results for my thesis. Brief work.
- **Comparison with simulation** ⇒ Flaminia has simulated also the background alphas in LIME, without digitization. This is enough for me to compare the statistics and eventually assess the accuracy of my analysis.
- **Addition of digitization** ⇒ D. Fiorina has made a back of the envelope simulation of alphas in our gas. Digitization of these events can confirm some of our results (like Rn alpha lengths) and test accuracy of CMOS:Analyzer for alphas (NB it was optimized for ER directionality)

Other comments:

- PMT simulation would be great to test and optimize the whole 3D analysis framework and to start optimizing it for lower energy ERs and NRs! (...not for me...)

Backup

Energy vs. "absolute Z"

