

INSIDE Meeting

Software status overview

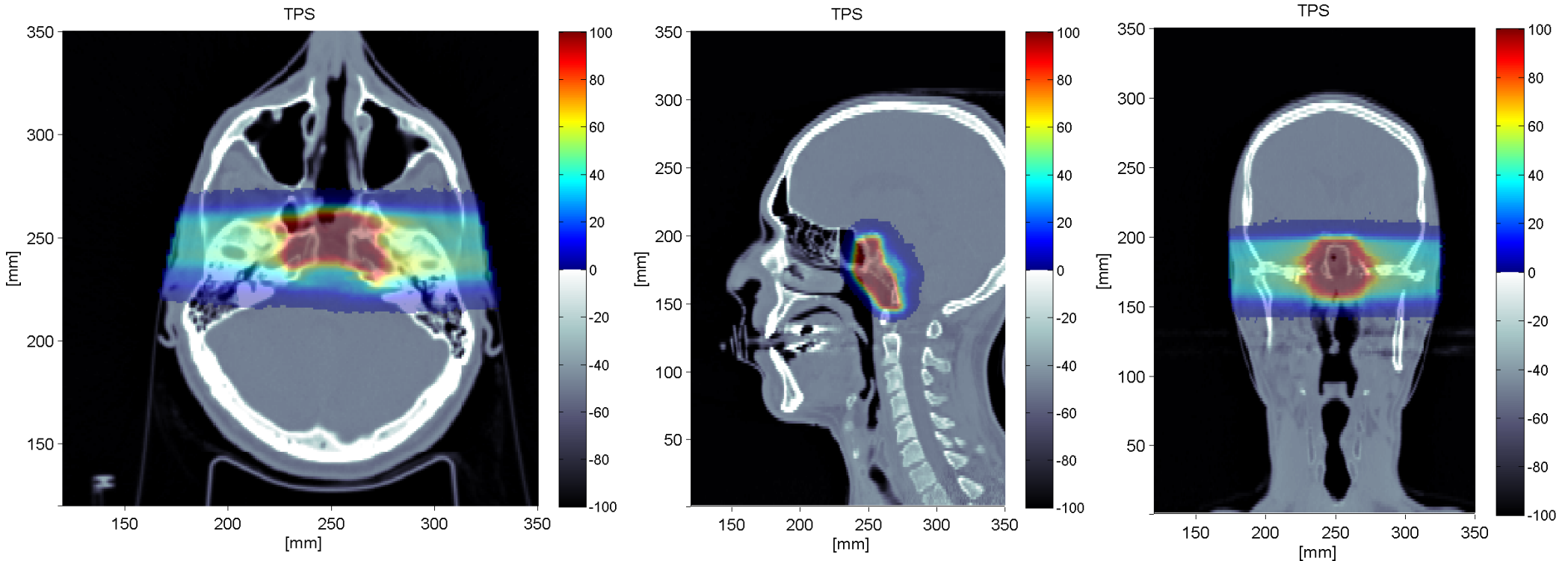
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The complete plan is composed by 2 opposed fields, ^{12}C .



Dose prescription as calculated by Syngo TPS

Beam1 = 272 571 648 particles

Beam2 = 239 598 608 particles

Treatment Description: Beam 1

Energy Slice [n]	Nominal Beam Energy [MeV/u]	Spots per Slice [n]:	Energy Slice [n]	Nominal Beam Energy [MeV/u]	Spots per Slice [n]:
1	137.28	2	21	197.91	232
2	140.72	2	22	200.61	228
3	144.10	3	23	203.29	193
4	147.43	3	24	205.95	181
5	150.71	5	25	208.58	174
6	153.94	7	26	211.19	186
7	157.12	8	27	213.79	180
8	160.26	10	28	216.36	172
9	163.35	15	29	218.91	166
10	166.41	28	30	221.45	154
11	169.43	71	31	223.96	135
12	172.41	103	32	226.46	123
13	175.37	163	33	228.94	105
14	178.28	219	34	231.34	88
15	181.17	249	35	233.79	72
16	184.03	236	36	236.22	49
17	186.86	234	37	238.63	33
18	189.66	235	38	241.03	14
19	192.43	231	39	243.42	4
20	195.18	229			

Total no. of spots: 4542

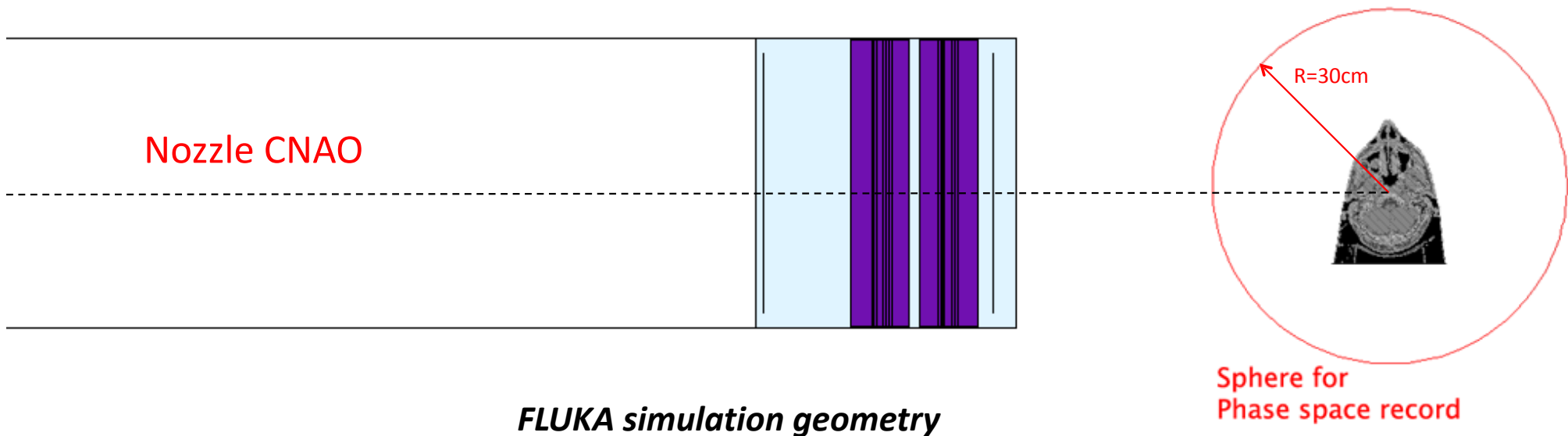
Giving some numbers....

TPS calculation set for **slice 33**, beam 1, about **12×10^6 particles**, i.e. $\approx 1/20$ (5%) of the total planned number (for Beam1).

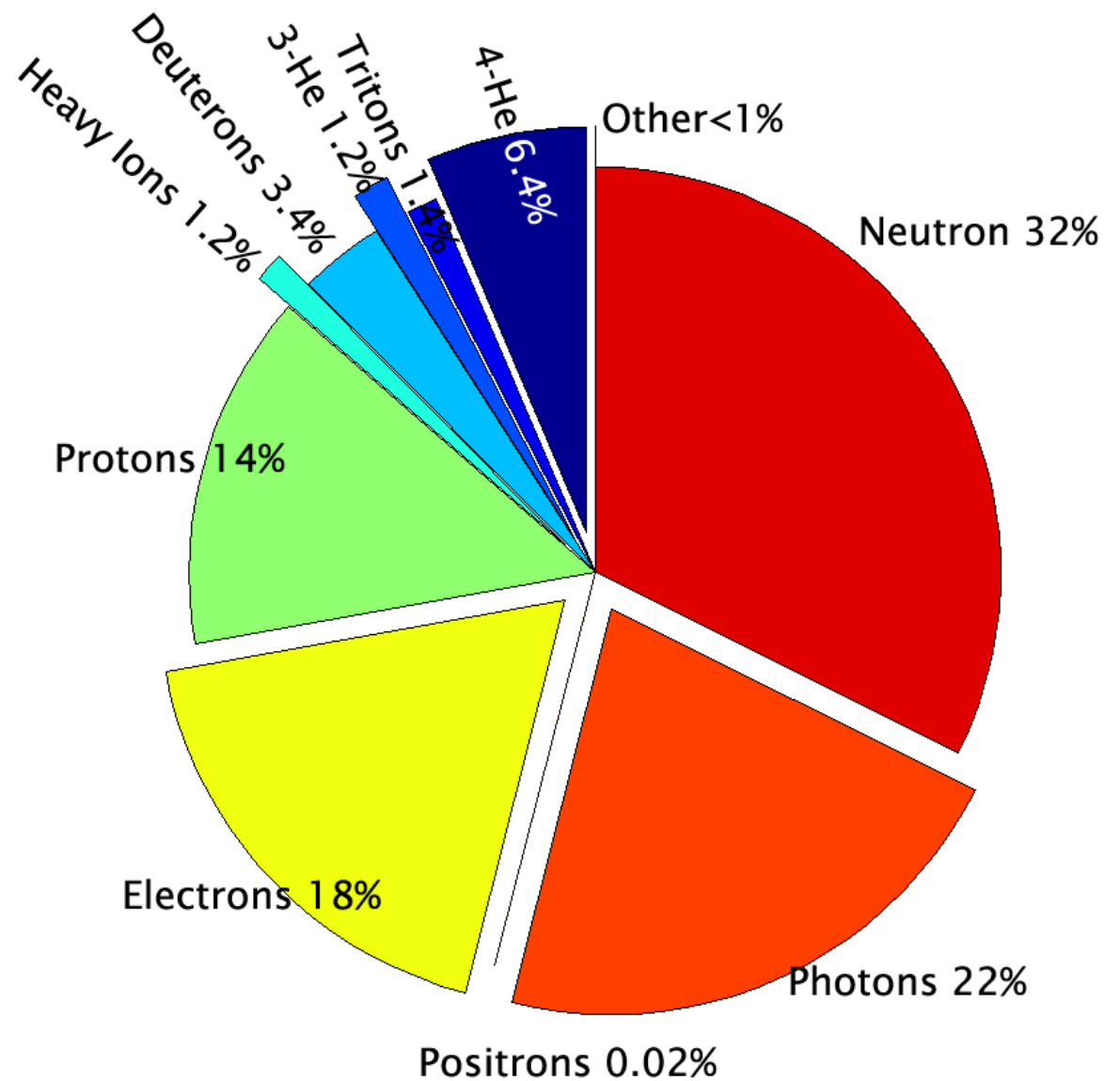
We implemented a simulation with 5×10^5 particles, ($\approx 4\%$ of the total slice particles) performing a uniform sampling on the 105 available spots.

Total time for the simulation was 8h on a single core.

A simulation of the total particles of the plan ($\approx 5 \times 10^8$) require roughly 20 days, for example, on a 24-cores-cluster.

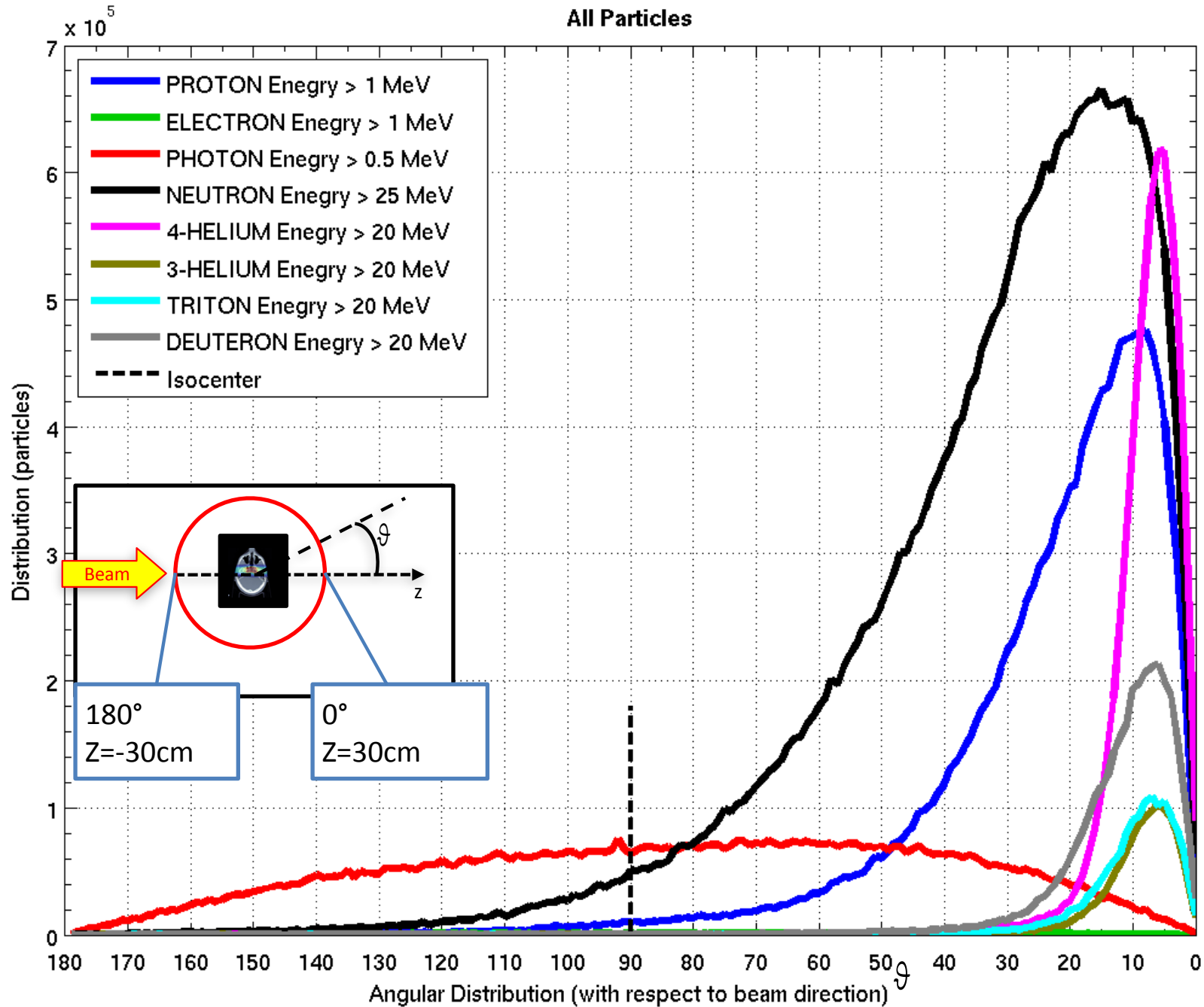


Emitted Radiation Flavor (1 slice = 1 energy)



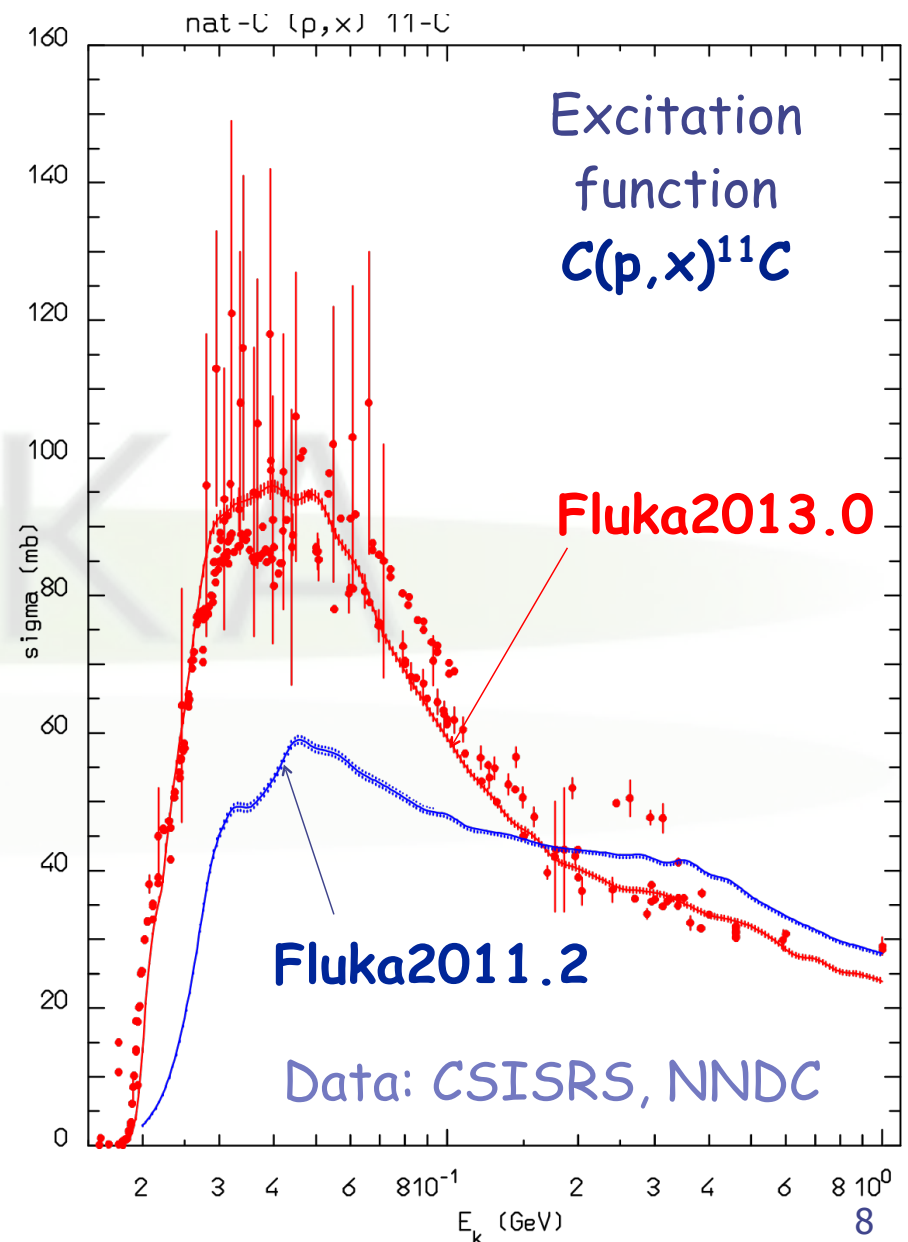
Number of crossing particles	Particle name	Percentage
6e+06	4-HELIUM	6 %
1e+06	3-HELIUM	1 %
1e+06	TRITON	1 %
3e+06	DEUTERON	3 %
1e+06	HEAVYION	1 %
1e+07	PROTON	10 %
2e+07	ELECTRON	20 %
2e+04	POSITRON	0.02 %
2e+07	PHOTON	20 %
3e+07	NEUTRON	30 %
2e+02	MUON+	0.0002 %
3e+02	MUON-	0.0003 %
3e+03	PION+	0.002 %
2e+03	PION-	0.002 %

Angular Distribution (azimuthally integrated)



Improvements to β -emitters production \rightarrow PET

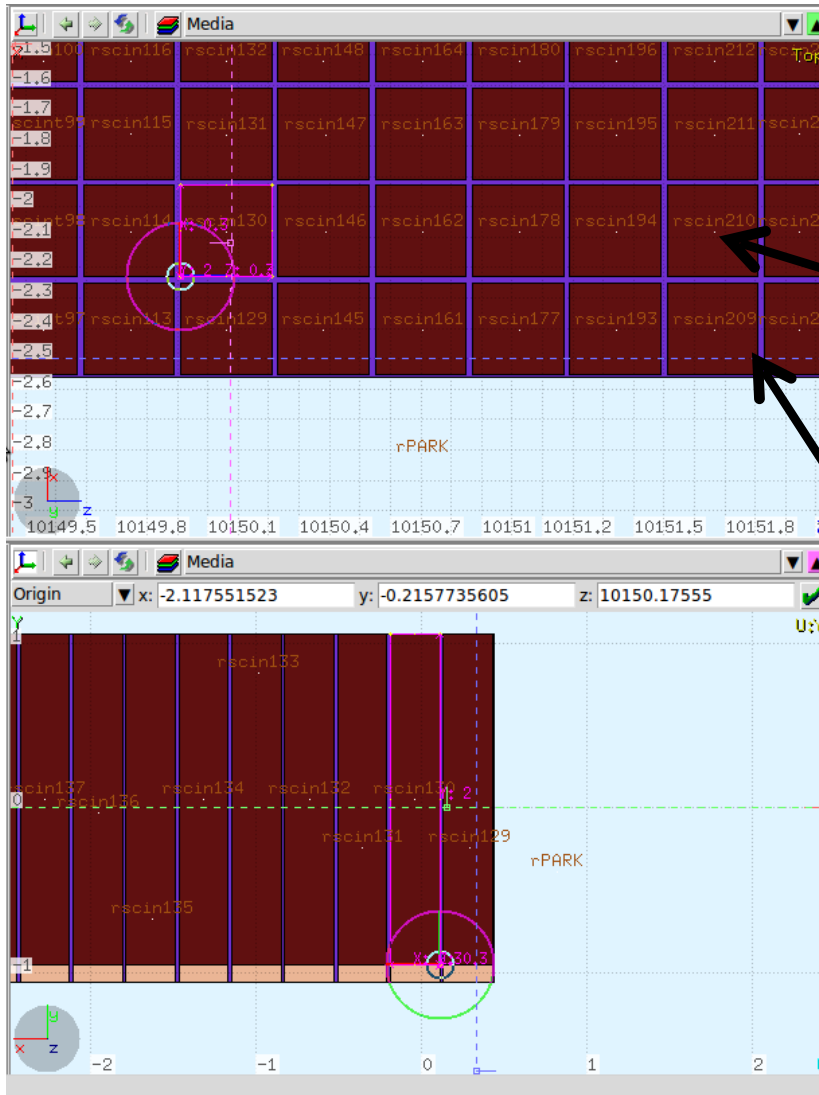
- Radioactive isotopes produced as **residuals of nuclear interactions**
- Prediction strongly dependent on **low-energy and/or low excitation reaction models**
- Evidences for bad reproduction of **deuteron emission** at low E
- A **direct deuteron formation** mechanism at the first **pn** elementary step in the cascade or pre-equilibrium stage has been introduced in **FLUKA** in addition to the standard **coalescence**



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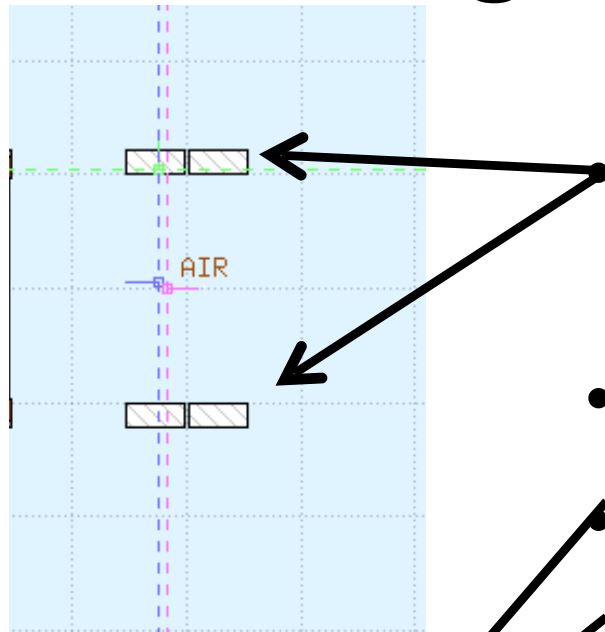
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FLUKA geometry(1)



- 16*16 channels per module
- Scintillator elements of $3*3*20 \text{ mm}^3$
- 3.2 mm pitch
- BaSO_4 container
- Lattice – based geometry (replica of a detailed block in park region)

FLUKA geometry (2)

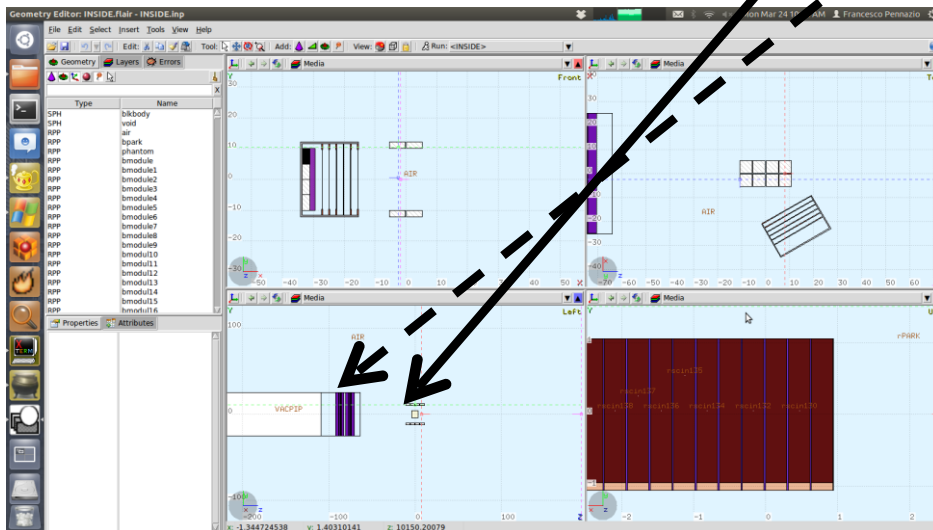


Head distance = 60 cm
(variable)

- 4*2 modules per head

• PMMA phantom

• CNAO beam pipe inherited
from dott. Mairani



PET simulated detector output

- Text file (at the moment)

Energy deposited

Event number

Last energy deposition time in the detector

Block

Element

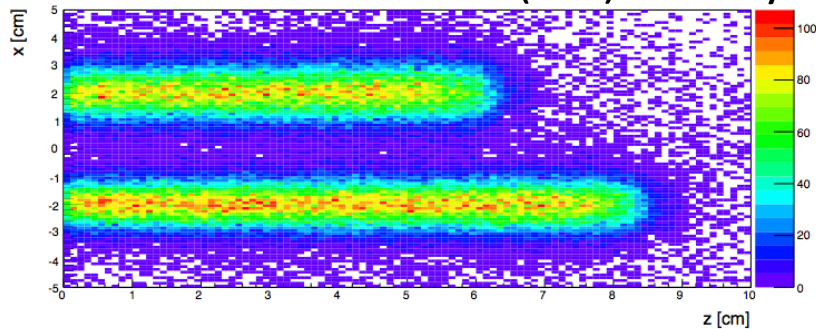
The image shows a screenshot of a text file containing simulated PET detector output. The file is displayed in a window titled 'kspace/PET_routines - Geant4'. The output is a table with 11 rows and 6 columns. The columns are labeled as follows: 'Event number' (column 1), 'Energy deposited' (column 2), 'Last energy deposition time in the detector' (column 3), 'Block' (column 4), and 'Element' (column 5). The sixth column contains numerical values that are not explicitly labeled. Arrows point from the labels to the corresponding columns in the table.

1	220	1.13922788295894861E-003	8.89146997624059938E-009	4	164
2	361	2.85269021574134619E-004	4.45015466443555385E-009	12	76
3	516	7.91889632079026537E-005	4.42413098274665852E-009	9	75
4	781	2.26695886272769594E-004	899.08507679944364	4	226
5	781	9.63355019461181793E-005	899.08507679941556	4	244
6	856	9.64814171590764610E-005	1.3816600414234663	5	247
7	876	3.33872080172602069E-005	1387.4341713894300	9	16
8	876	1.98158660050230871E-004	1387.4341713894537	9	32
9	876	4.01344814497318059E-005	1387.4341713894194	8	64
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Example distributions

Simulation 2 spots

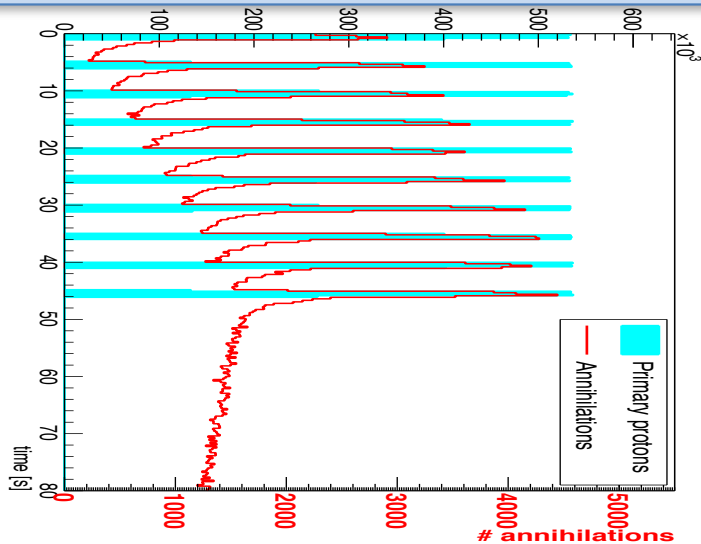
2-D distribution of total (int.) activity



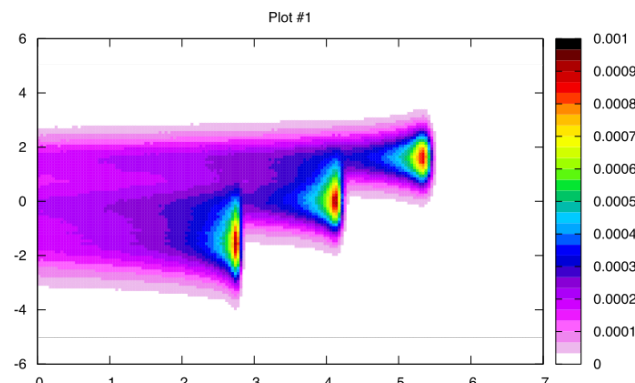
Activity for spot 1 of treatment plan

Activity for spot 2

- CNAO time structure included (Roberto N)
- CNAO beam-line included (Mairani, Battistoni)
- Treatment plan simulation included
- CT scans can be imported (see 10-11)
- You can sum up contributions from spots, energies, etc.



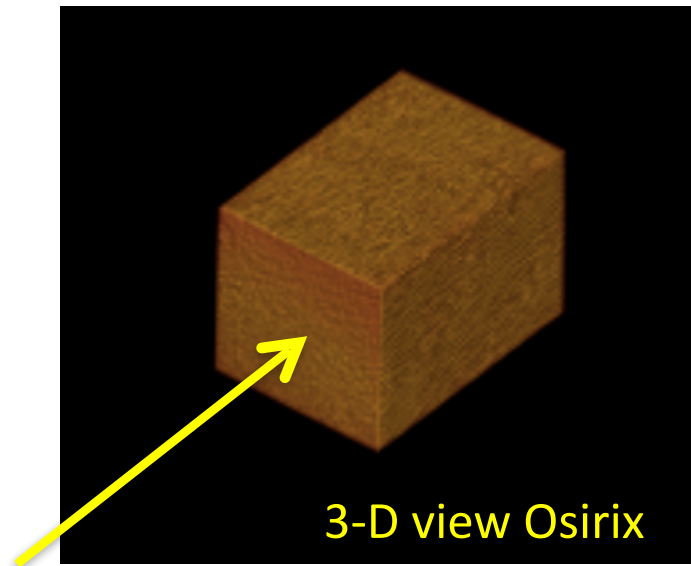
“Plan” with 10 spills:
timestructure
of annihilations



Dose of “plan” with
3 spots

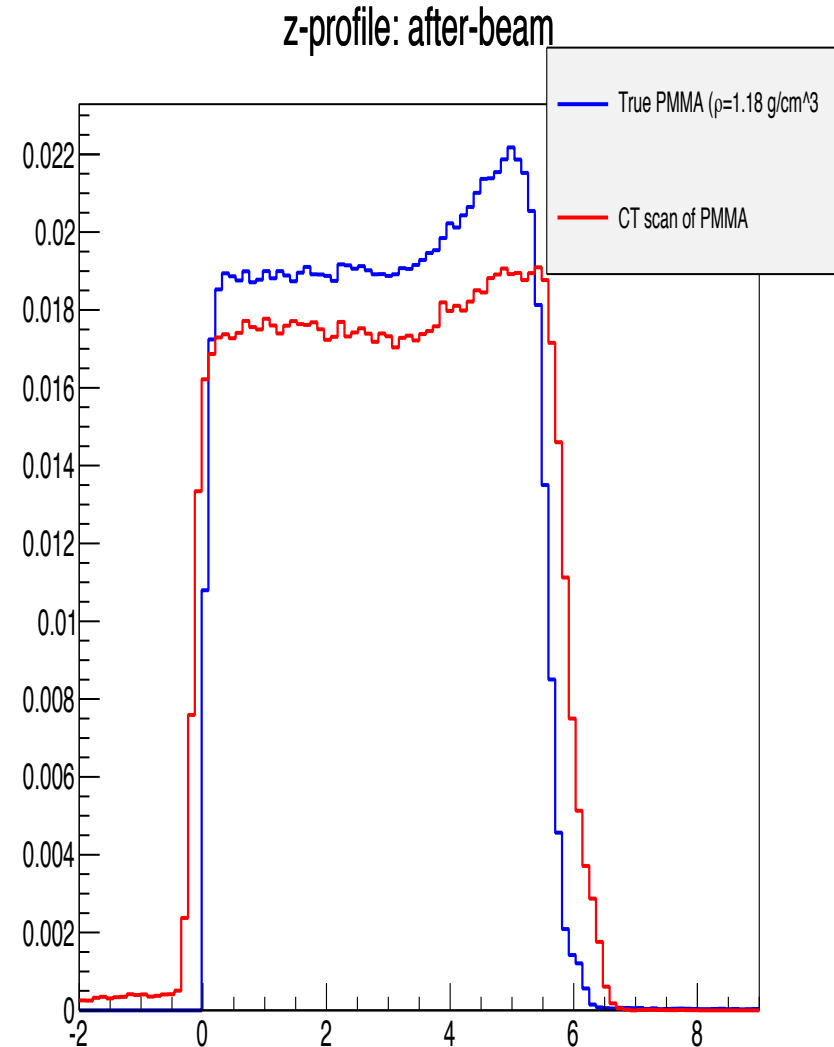
First test on CT scan (PMMA)

- Mono-energetic beam of 97.5 MeV
- CT imported in FLUKA (thanks to Fabrizio)



- Profile and fall-off not quite the same

Work in progress...

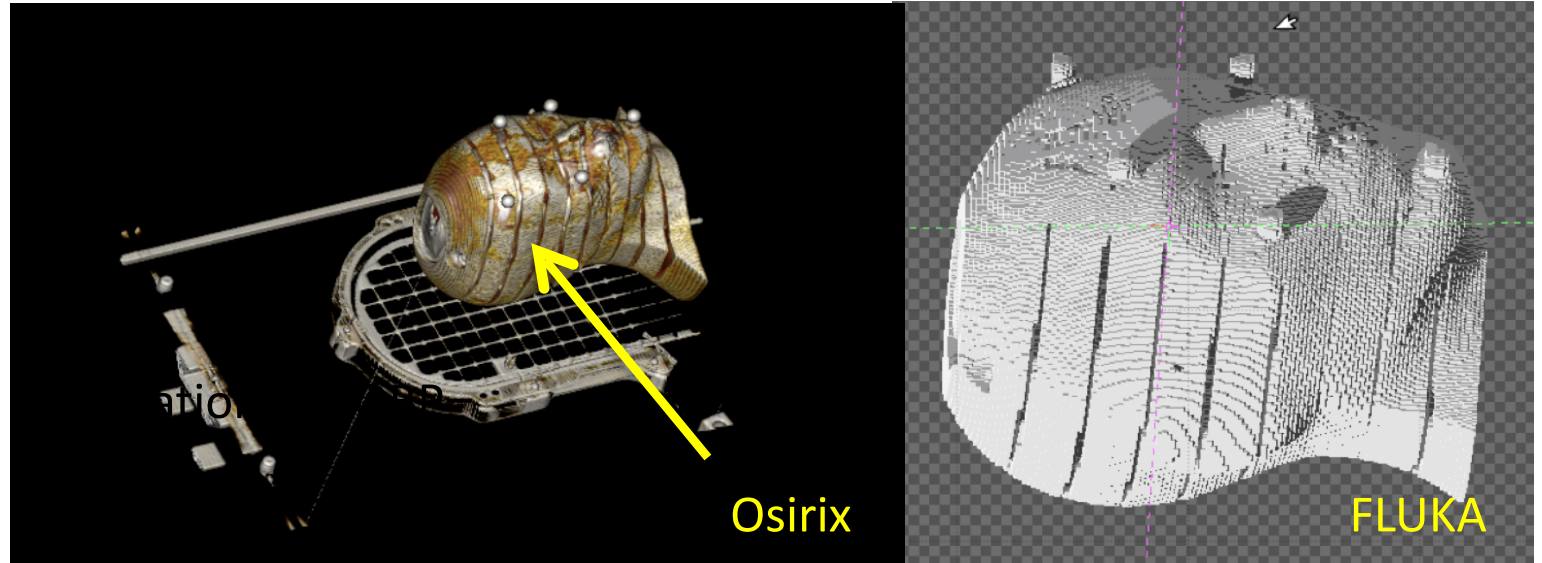


First test on CT of anthropomorphic phantom

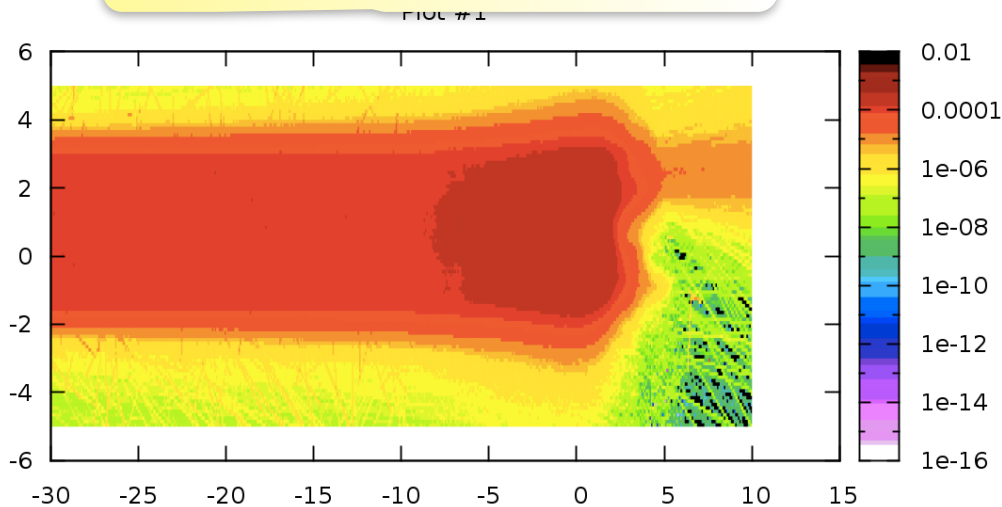
Treatment plan from CNAO (Molinelli, Mairani, Ciocca)

- Tumor $\sim 5 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^3$
- 34 energy layers
- 2958 spots
- Nr protons: 2×10^{10}

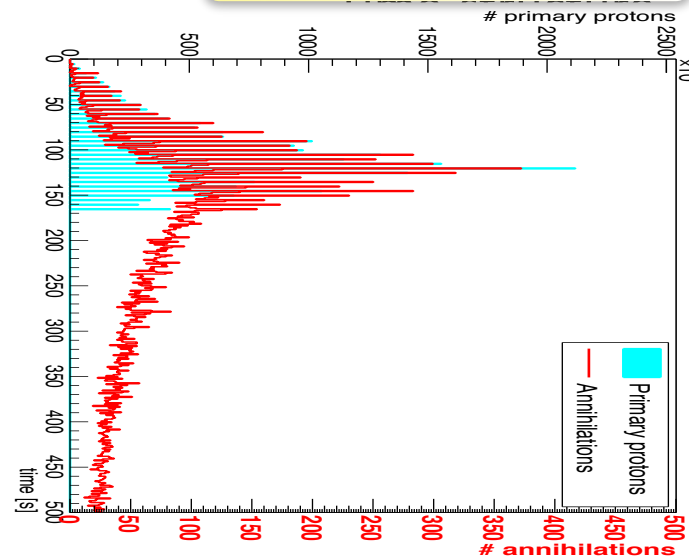
FLUKA:
2E6 primaries
(factor 1E4 too little)



2-D dose distribution FLUKA

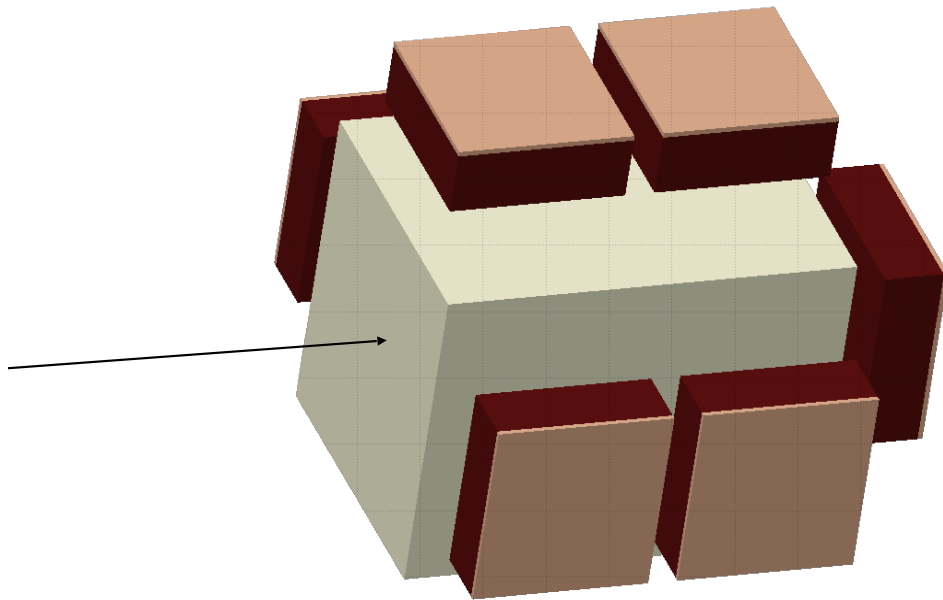


Time-structure



Nr primaries
increases
here with
delivery
time

Beam Test Geometry setup

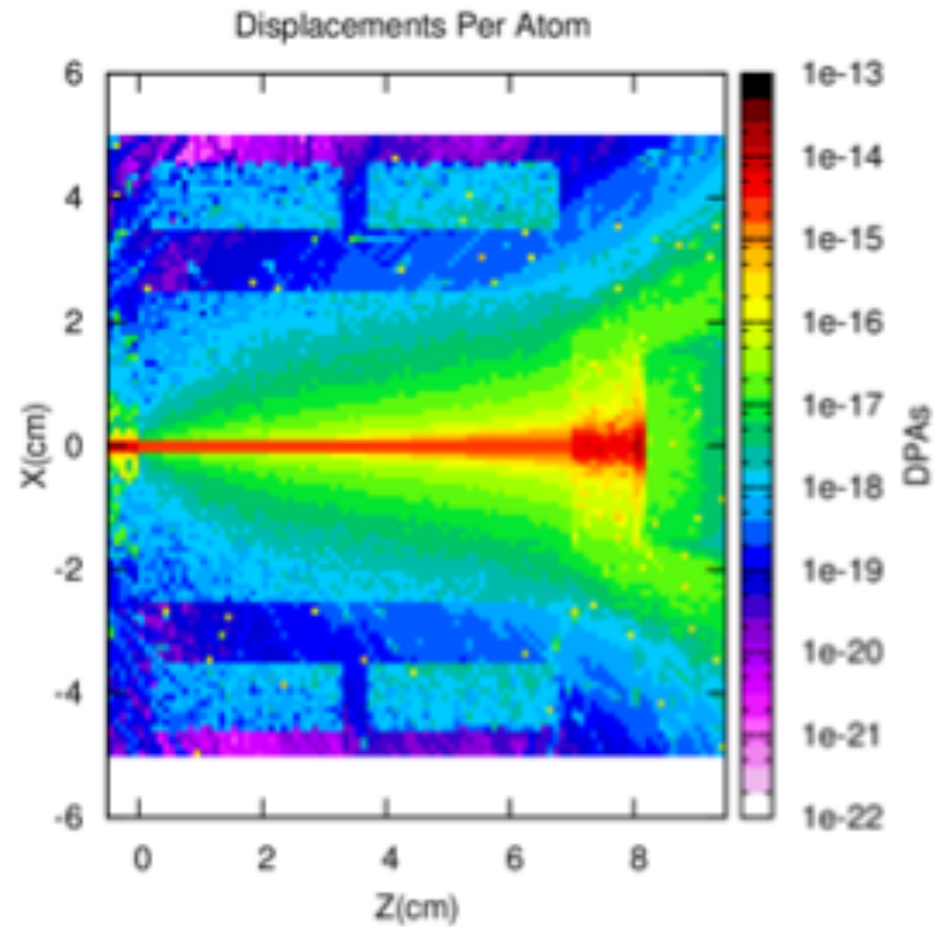


95 MeV proton beam with time structure (see next slide);

PMMA phantom with dimension 5cm*5cm*7cm;

7 LYSO+SiPM combined detectors is located vertically(6 detectors) and paralleled (1 detector);

LYSO size: 3cm*3cm*1cm, increasing the size for statistics.



Radiation damage is scored by DPA.
The detector placed back side is mostly damaged by hadrons.

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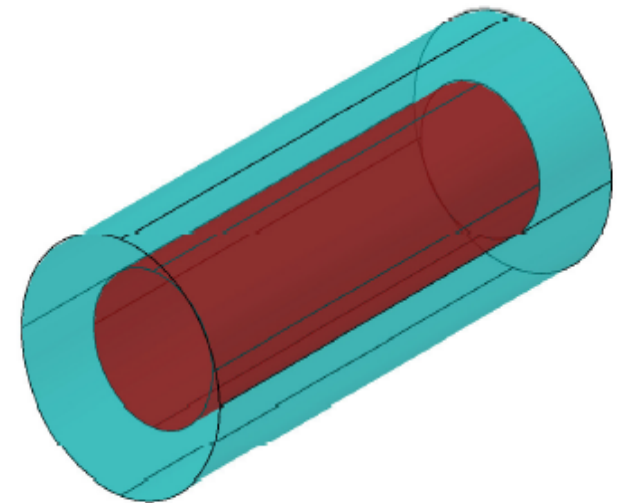
Cylinder simulation setup

Hot region

- * Cylinder filled with F-18 (half life 108 min) dimension 15 mm diameter, 50 mm height
- * Initial activity 5 mCi (185 MBq)

Phantom

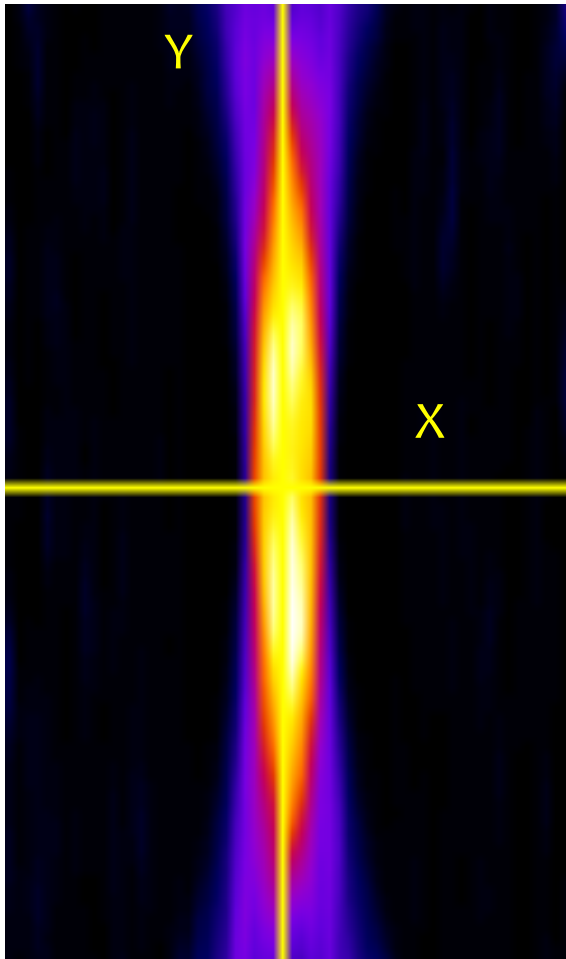
- * PMMA cylinder diameter 25 mm and 60 mm height
- * Aligned along the Z axis
- * Posed in the center of the FOV
- * Acquisition time: 3600 sec



Reconstructed cylinder

PET mod

PET mod



PET mod

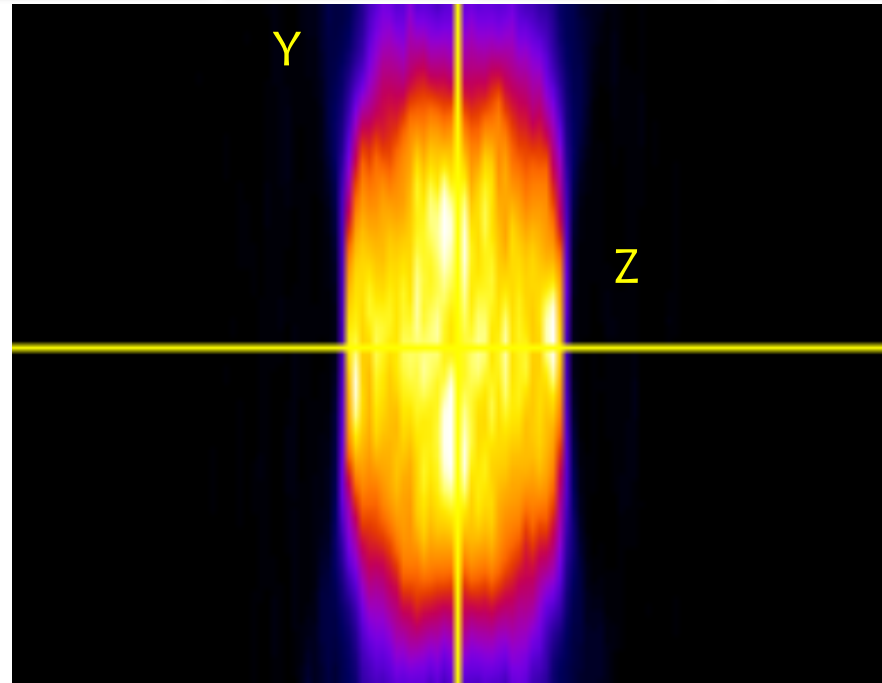
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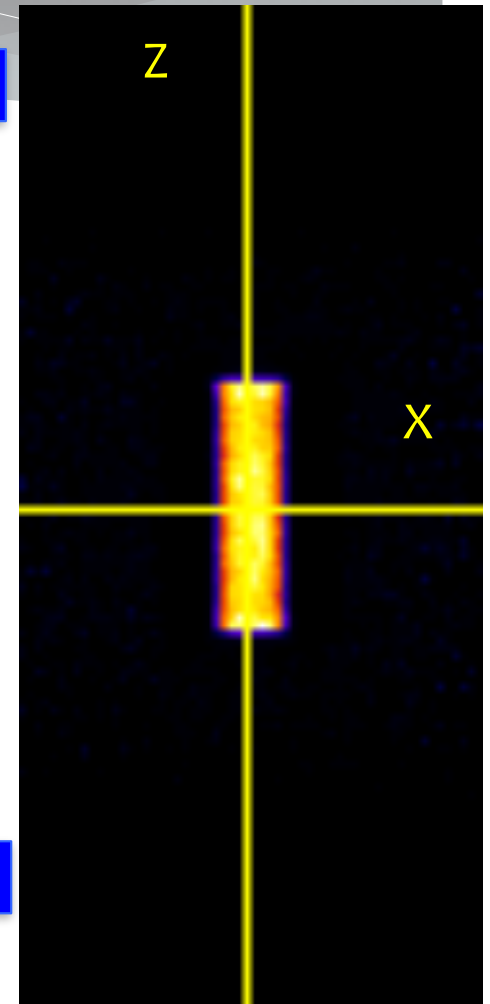
PET mod

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PET mod

Z



Results: reconstruction time

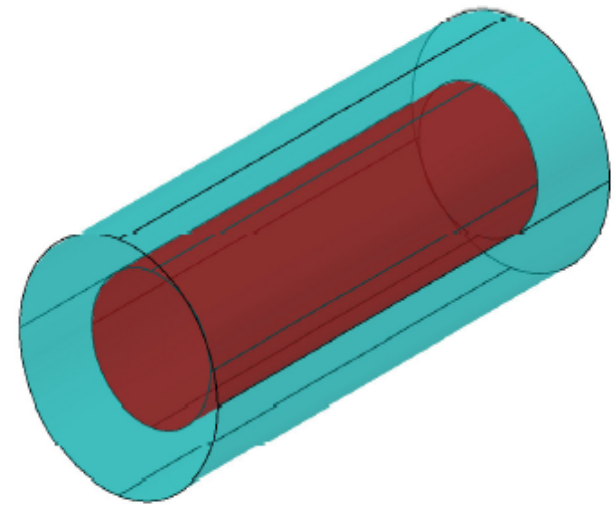
- * **600 K coincidences detected in the energy window [350,650] keV**
- * **All inclusive reconstruction time 2min 40 sec on a quad core (core duo Q9400 2.6Ghz)**
- * Iteration time 5 sec
- * 5 iterations performed

Sensitivity at the FOV center

- * Spherical F-18 point source of radius 0.25 mm in a PMMA cubic phantom 5mm size
- * Source activity 10MBq
- * **Sensitivity at the FOV center 0.2 %**

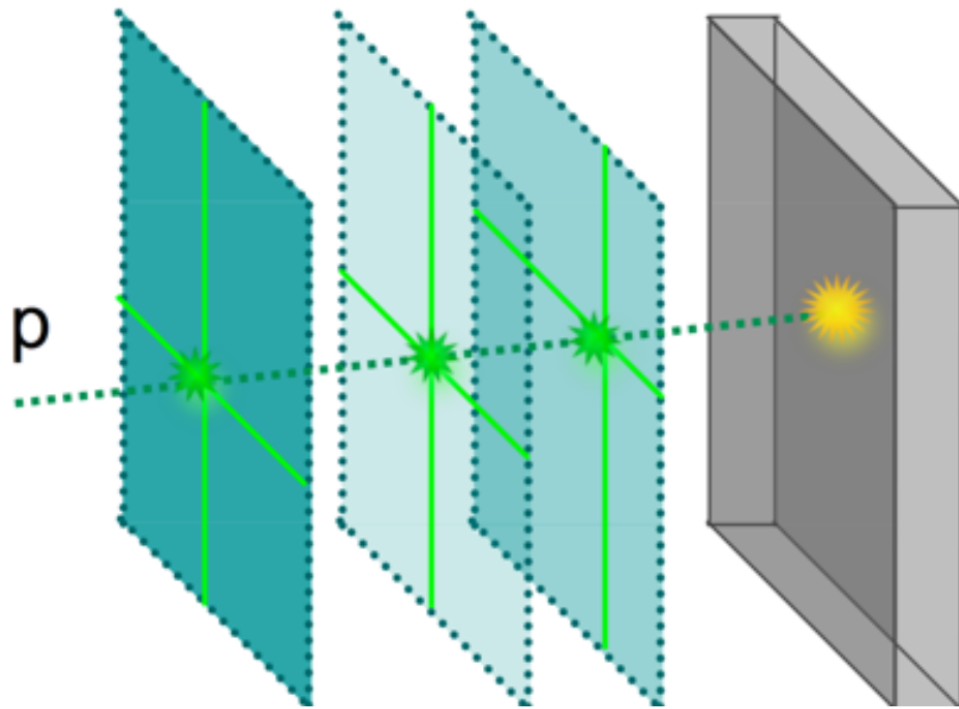
Test of Single slice Analysis

- * thin cylinder sources (as thin as the expected fixed energy beams) will be reconstructed and superimposed to test the actual TP conditions



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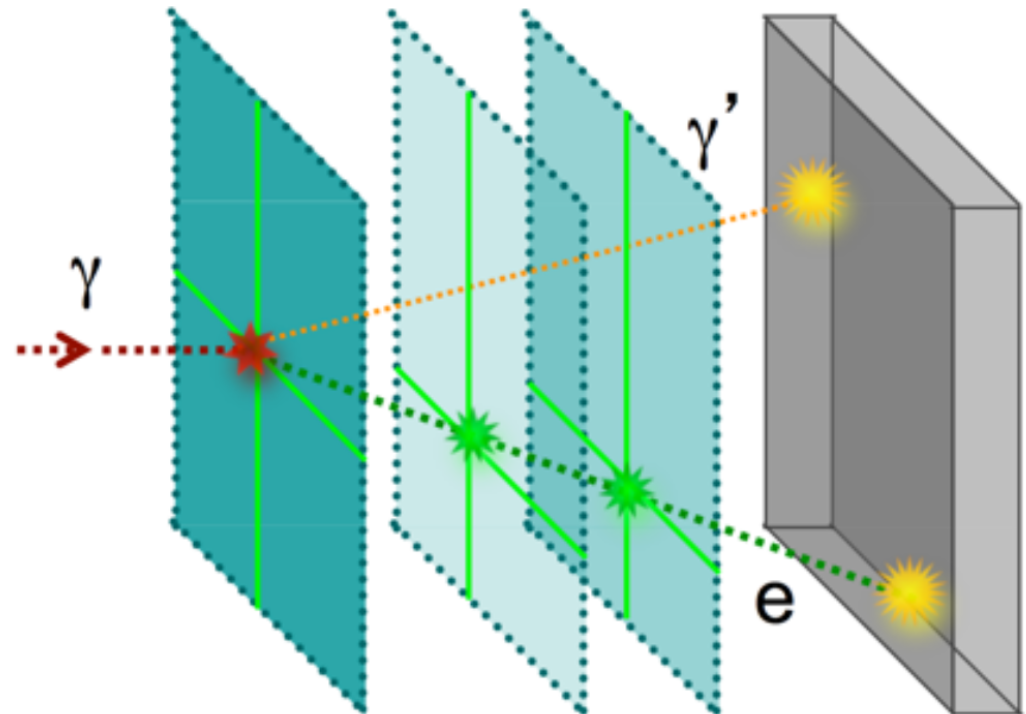


Event Selection:

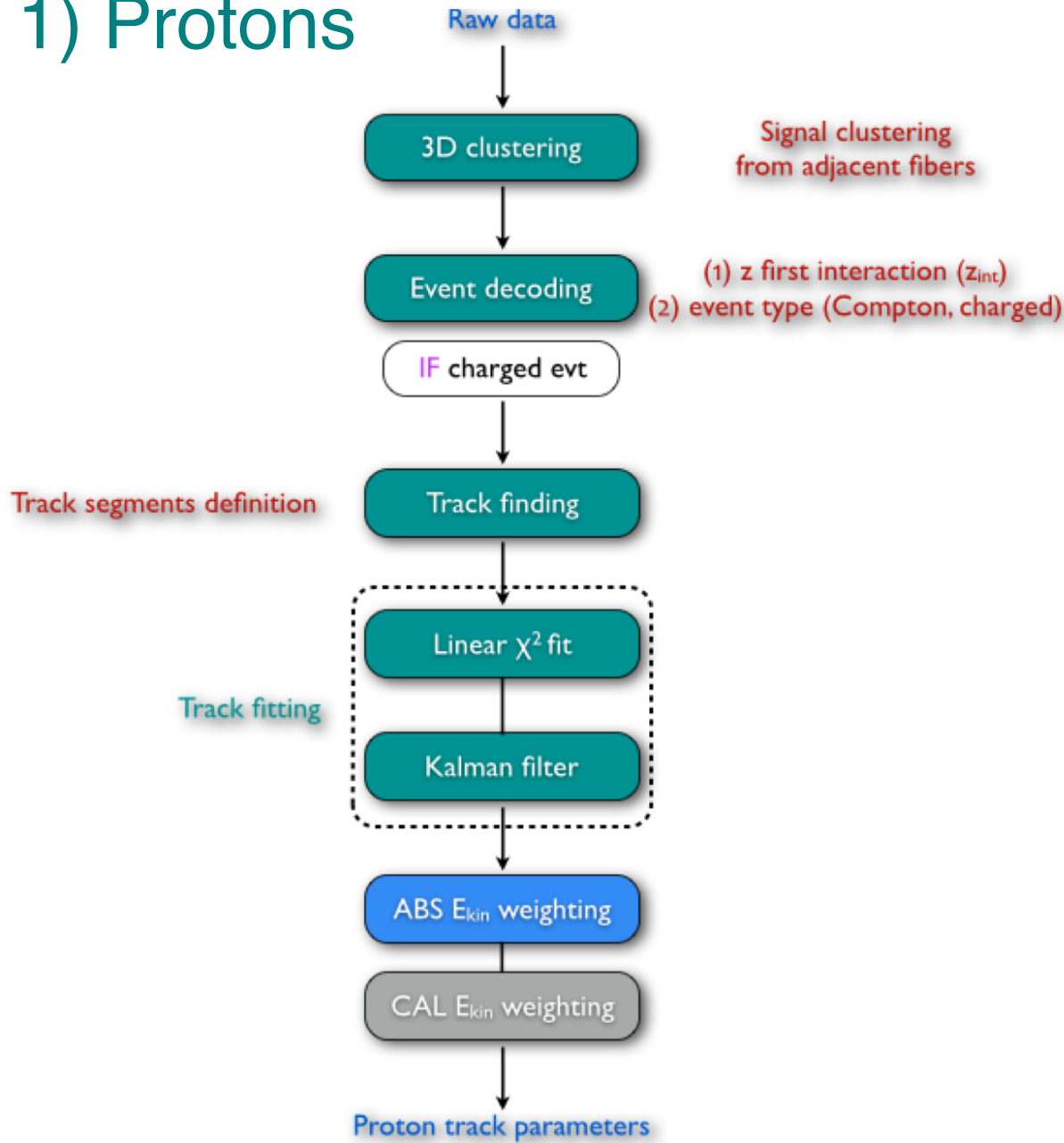
- 3 Tracker planes hit
- LYSO Deposit w $E > 100$ keV

1) Protons

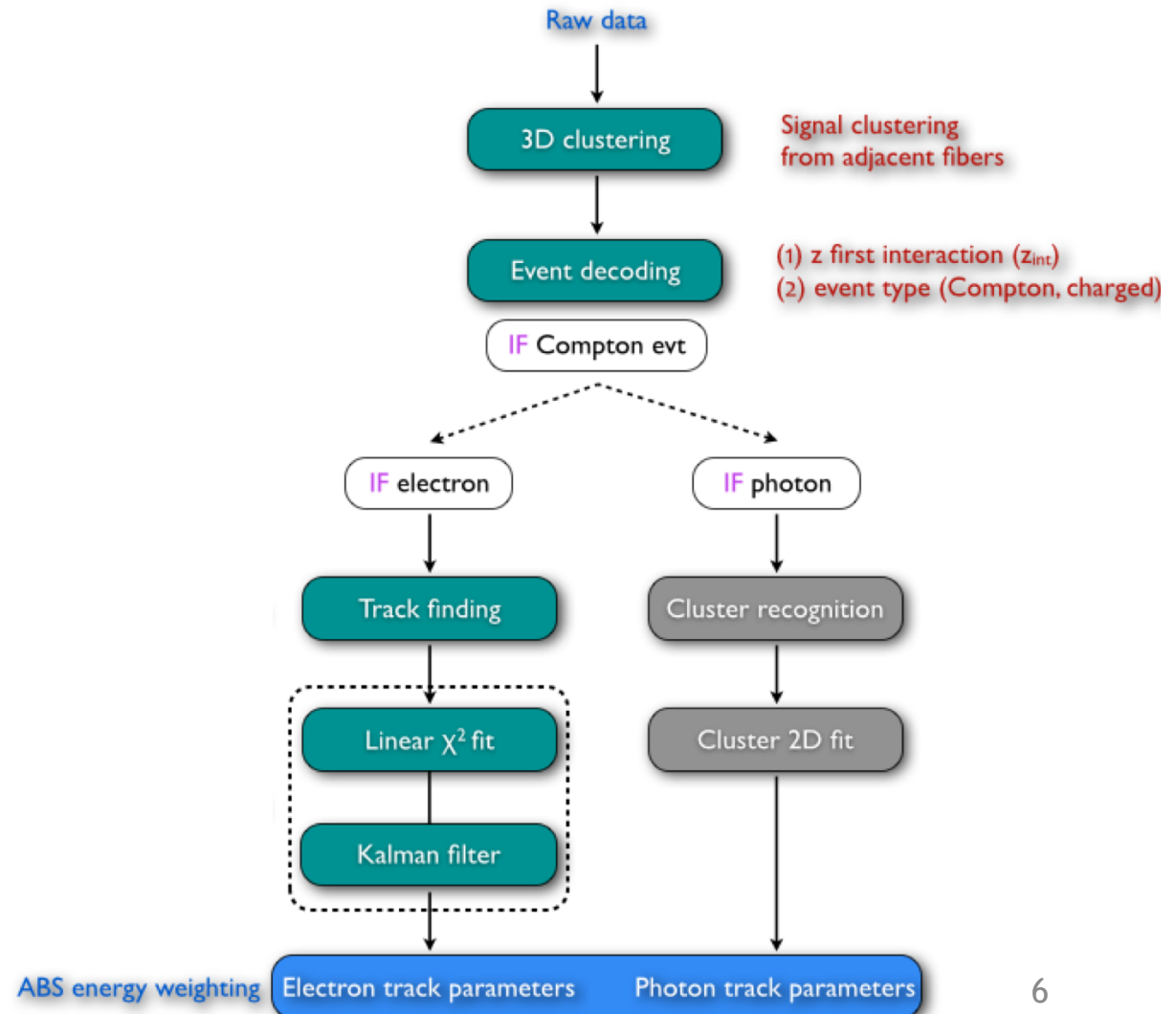
2) Prompt photon:
Compton scattering



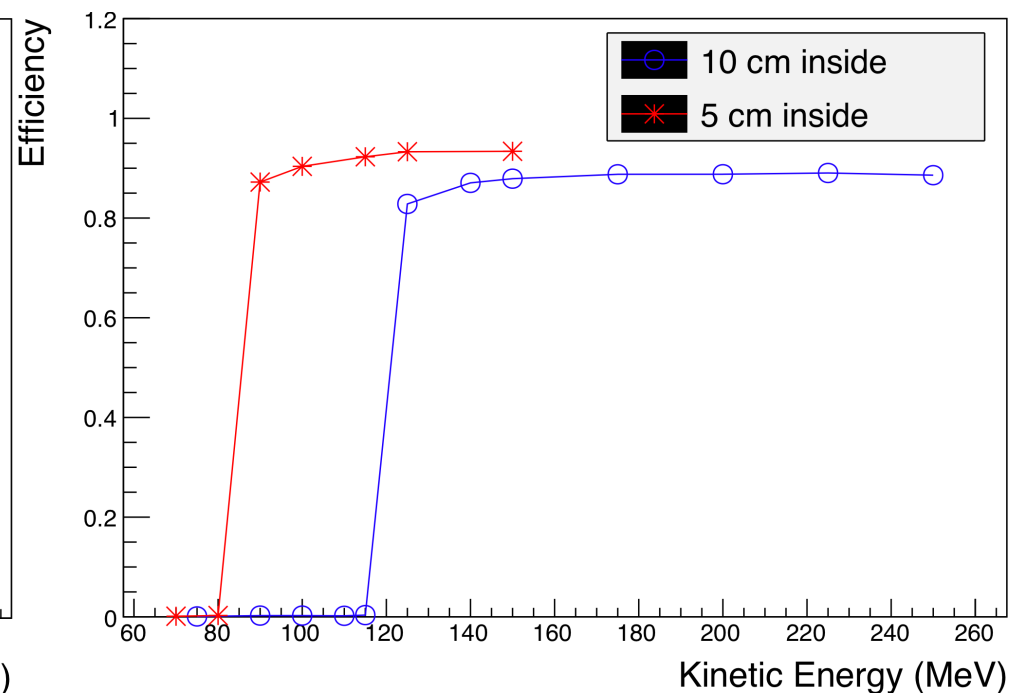
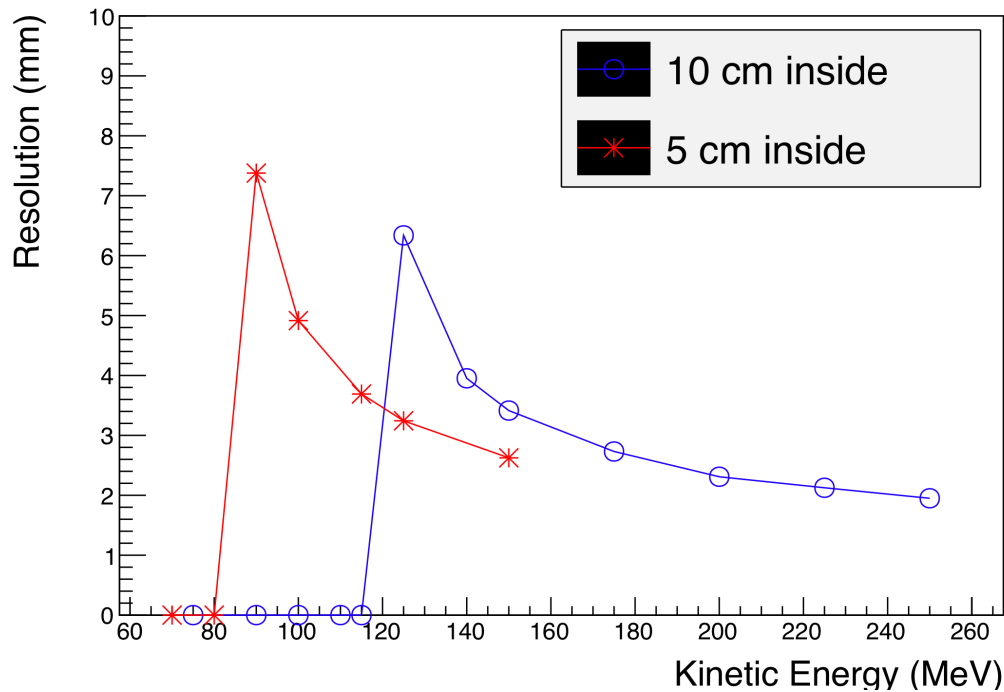
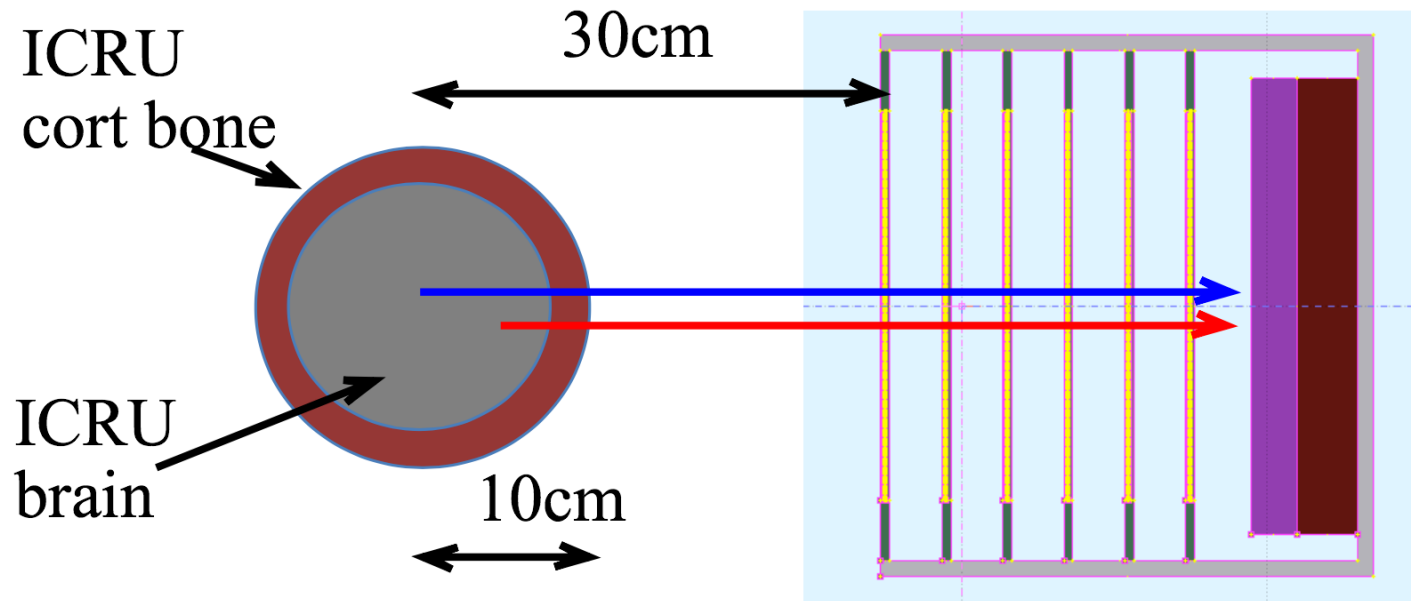
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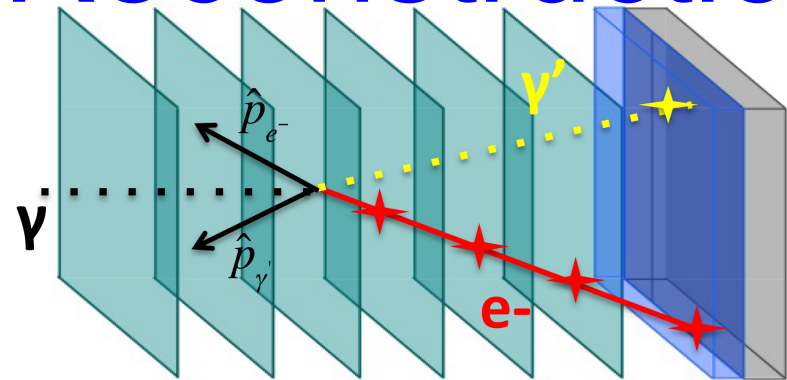
Tracking: resolution with protons



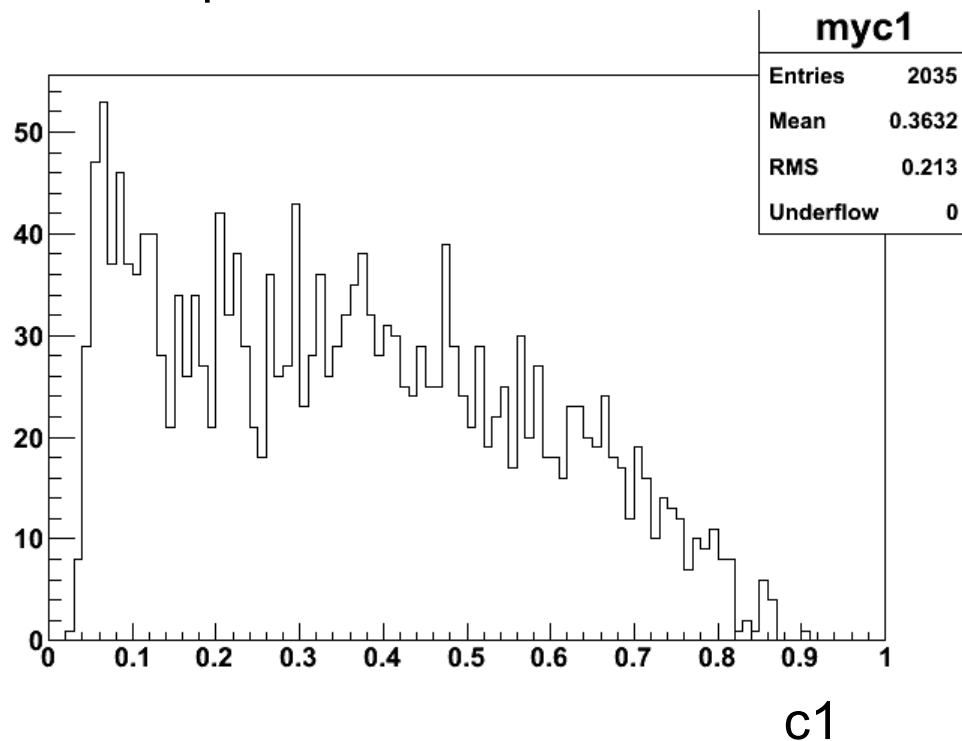
Primary Photon Reconstruction

$$\hat{p}_\gamma = c_1^{MC} \hat{p}_{\gamma'} + c_2^{MC} \hat{p}_{e^-}$$

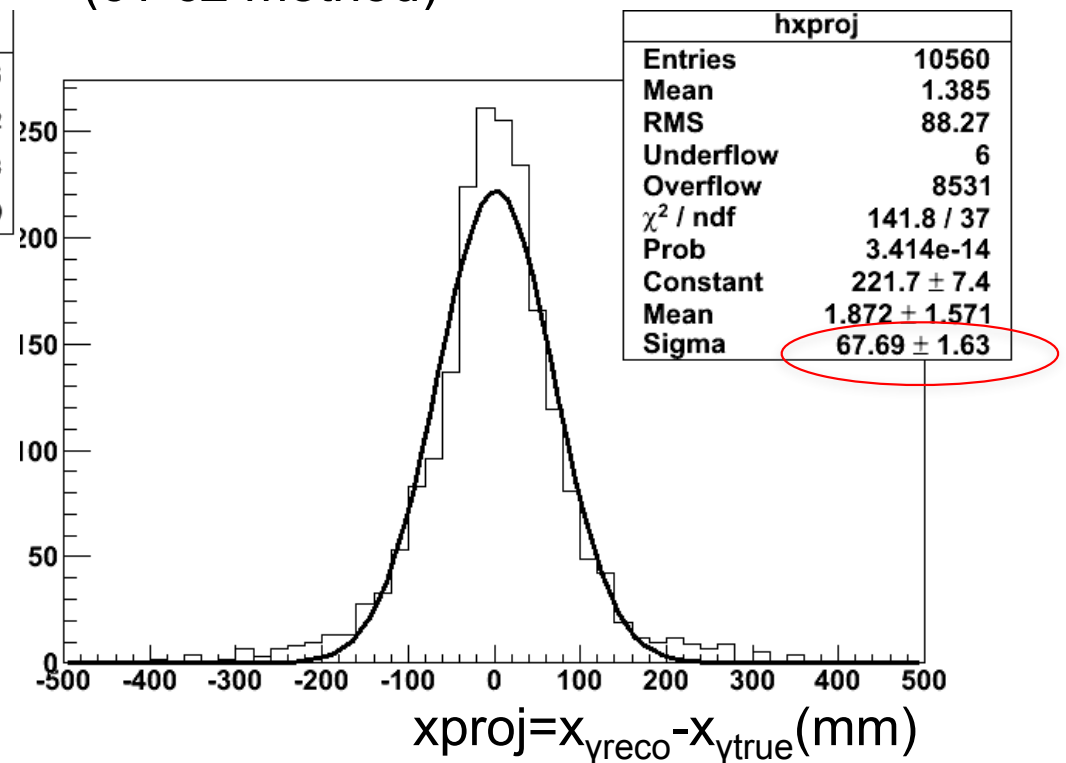
$$c_1 = \frac{|p_{\gamma'}|}{|p_\gamma|} \quad c_2 = \frac{|p_{e^-}|}{|p_\gamma|}$$



- Recomputed c1 coefficient



- Resolution on primary photon position (c1-c2 method)

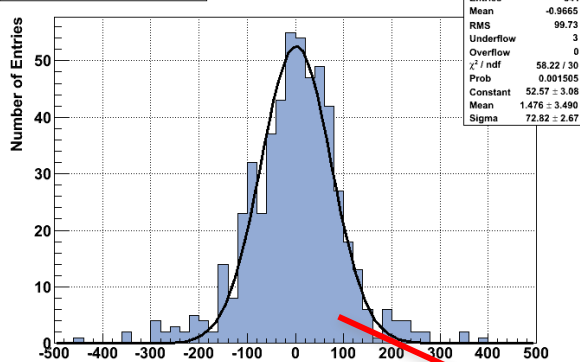


Resolution with 1 M of events: $68/\sqrt{2023} = 1.5\text{mm}$

Possible improvement on primary photon resolution

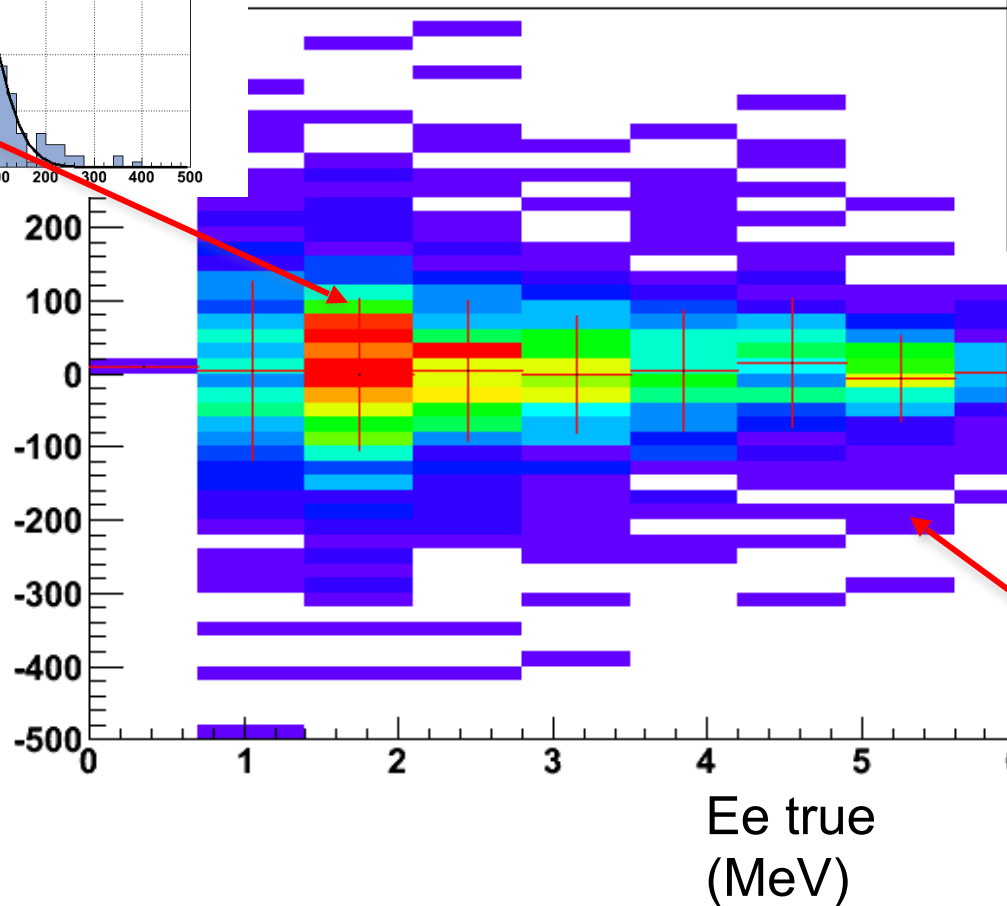
Resolution on primary photon position vs Compton electron energy

ProjectionY of binx=3

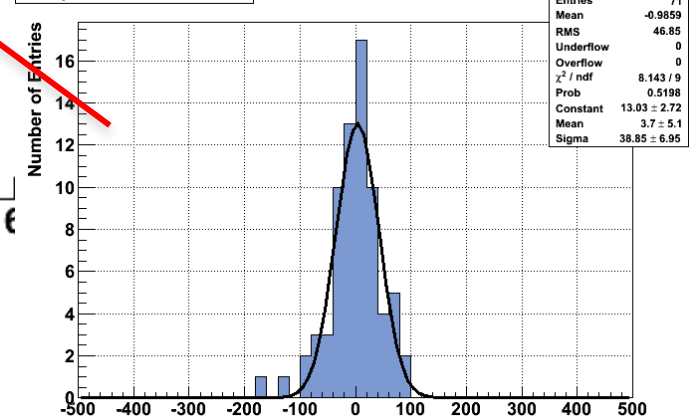


resoXprojE		
Entries	2049	
Mean x	2.942	
Mean y	1.739	
RMS x	1.49	
RMS y	92.95	
0	5	0
0	2010	28
0	6	0

$x_{\text{proj}} = x_{\text{reco}} - x_{\text{true}}$ (mm)

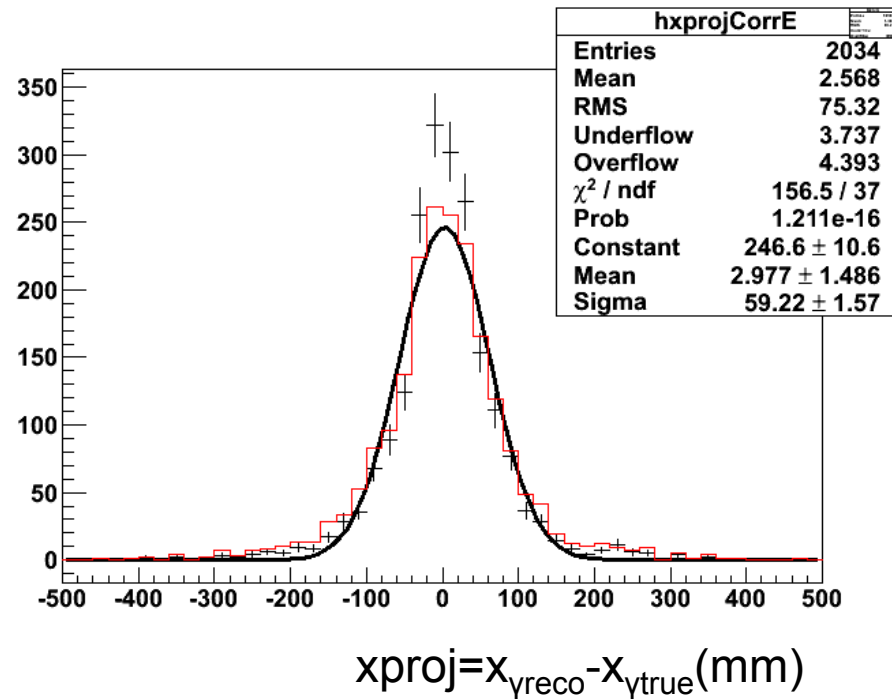


ProjectionY of binx=9

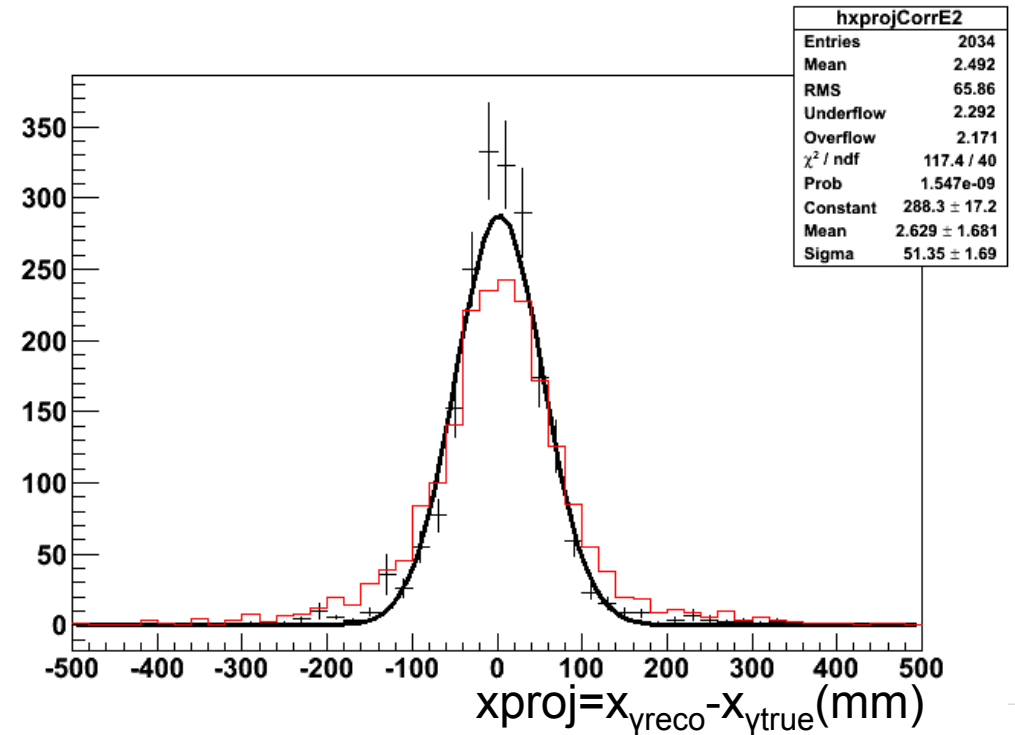


Weighting resolution with 20%-smeared electron energy

black (fit): resolution weighted with E_e
red: no correction



black (fit): resolution weighted with E_e^2
red: no correction



Resolution with 1 M of events: $50/\sqrt{2023} = 1.1\text{mm}$

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How to combine the PET and Profiler information in the data analysis?

- High-level reconstruction should be envisaged: the PET, charged and neutral info should be merged to exploit the maximum information on the treatment.
- Joint MC run will be produced to have all secondary reconstructed for the same treatment situation
- CPU power is an issue: we will use LHC (cloud) facilities to simulate a “full” treatment session
 - one pencil beam (x,y,E,n) = one job
 - time offset and merging
- Profiler information as input to the PET deconvolution procedure?

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What to integrate (1)

- ▶ Geometry:

- Source
- Profiler model
- PET model
- Phantom / CT

Work in progress

- ▶ User routine:

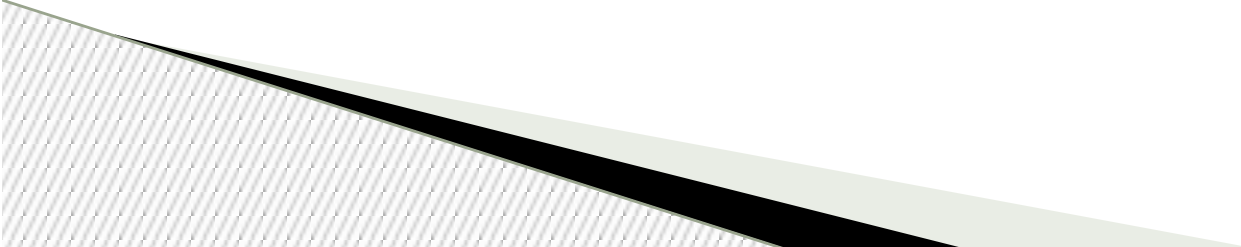
- Profiler
- PET
- Activity distribution analysis

Done

- ▶ Simulation physics

◦	DEFAULTS					PRECISIO
	EMFCUT	-0.0001	0.0001		@LASTREG	
	EMFCUT	-0.0001	0.0001	1.	@LASTMAT	PROD-CUT

What to integrate (2)

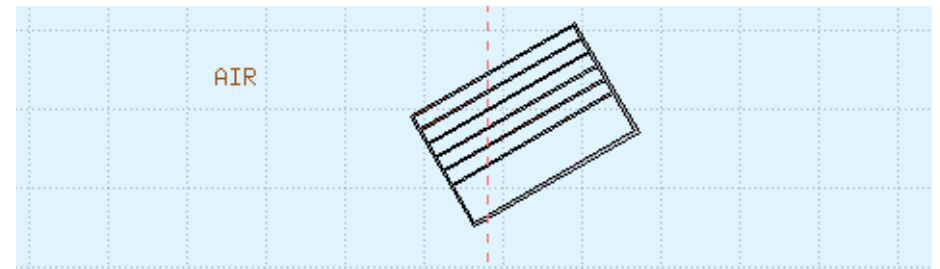
- ▶ Post-processing:
 - PET (ROOT/C++)
 - Profiler (Root, Matlab?)
 - ▶ Reconstruction
 - PET
 - Profiler
 - ▶ User manual
 - ▶ Installation script
 - ▶ Repository (presently Dropbox shared folder)
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Geometry integration (1)

▶ Tracker

- freely rotating in the $x - z$ plane around y axis

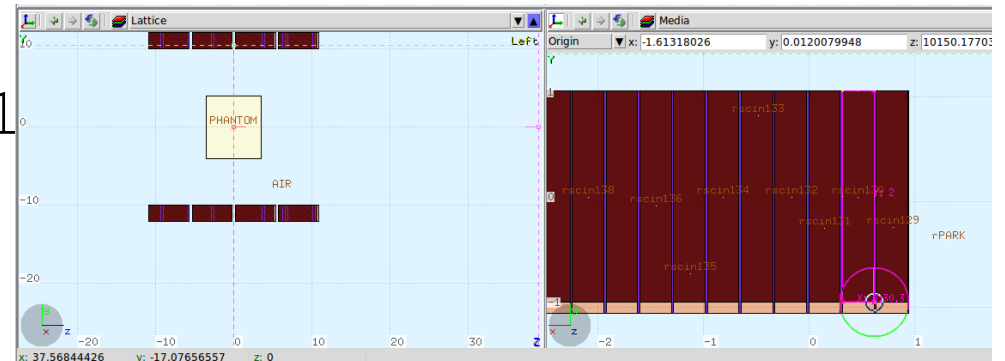
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#define trk_ang 60.  
#define trk_dist 20.
```



- Lattice seems to correctly rotate too!

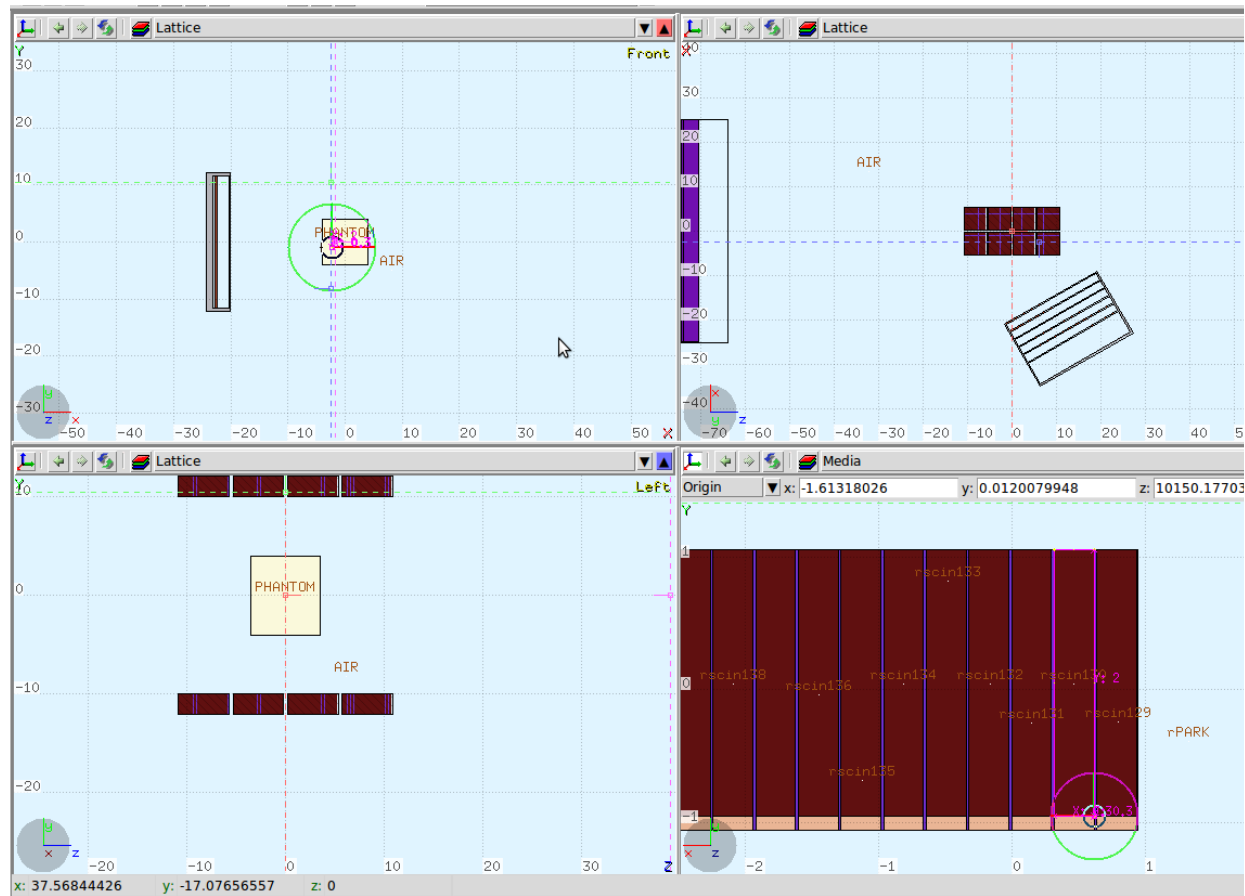
▶ PET position free along x, y, z

```
#define head_z 22.08  
#define head_c_x 0  
#define head_dist 1
```



Geometry integration (2)

- ▶ Tracker and PET on the same model



Next steps

- ▶ Selection of Profiler and/or PET or phantom
- ▶ CT integration
- ▶ Improve PET data with father and grandfather information (STUPRF)
- ▶ Speed up the simulation
 - Bias
 - Activity based-generator
 - Cloud-computing
 - -> in any case work on code is needed (to set up the bias and the correct analysis, to write the generator user routine, to divide and merge the simulation cores)
- ▶ Simulations
- ▶ Complete treatment simulation (at least for PET)
- ▶ Information about integrated signal on both detectors

... and test ...



Summary

- SW functionality almost all in place (detector calibration missing)
- Integration effort started
- Simulation (beam + phantom & beam + patient) with FLUKA will be provided as input for PET and Profiler simulation & reconstruction
- DAQ interface: buffer structure required to start the implementation
- Data Analysis strategy
 - at least 3 “full” adjacent slices (i.e., beam energy values) required
 - for PET: likely required a “full” Treatment simulation before the data taking (to be compared with data)
- Access to INFN-Cloud will be implemented (first meeting soon at CNAF)

Goals

- Short / medium term
 - The PET analysis must be based on iterative subtraction of convolved contributions
 - Expected number of events for a full treatment session
 - $\sim 3 \times 10^5$
 - 30 – 50 energy values
 - $\sim 10^4$ events / energy
 - 10^3 for the integration at the initial energy value
 - Can we extract a realistic fit to model contributions that mix up with higher energy values?
 - To test that we need a full treatment simulation for at least 3 energy values
 - How much computing time?
 - What model?
 - Profiler: ...

Goals

- “Long” term
 - Fully integrated software release to be built on INFN cloud computing facilities
 - Capability to simulate a full treatment (or a statistically significant fraction) in a “short” time (1 – 2 days)
 - Fast reconstruction and data analysis software
 - We need information “during” the treatment
 - Can it be done on a “standalone” machine?
 - What information to integrate with the CNAO workflow? How?