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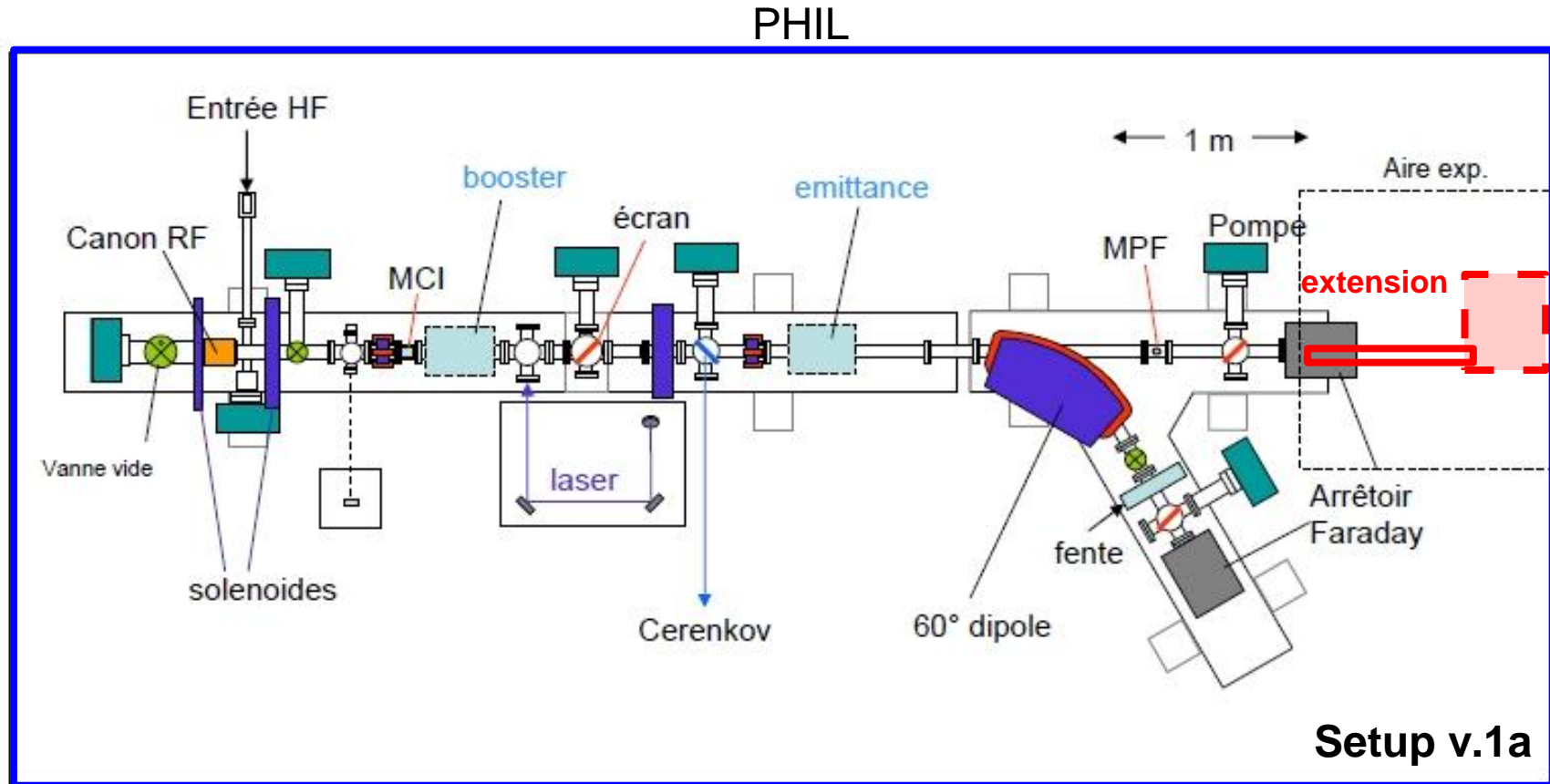
Summary

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Use electrons provided by PHIL with momentum (3-5 MeV/c now) 5-8 MeV/c and ( $10^8$  now)  $10^{10}$  particles per bunch.

Timing: laser pulse with 7 ps FWHM



**Goal:** obtain samples of “monochromatic” electrons

- with adjustable energy between few 100 keV and 5 MeV
- energy spread of better than 10 %
- with adjustable intensity down to  $10^4$  and less electrons per sample

# Goals and applications

## Test bench:

→ Gaseous detectors tests, e.g. routine **Micromegas/InGrid** performance tests to optimize the protection layer.

### **Generic R & D**

**Applications:** ILC TPC with Micromegas/InGrid option, CLIC TPC, CAST

→ Studies of the crystal properties and prototype for **UA9** project

→ **FTOF**: time-of-flight particle identification detector based on DIRC technique

→ Measurements of scintillators for **SuperNEMO** experiment

→ Tests of **diamond sensors** (profile monitor, tracking, ...)

## Physics measurements:

→ E.g. non-relativistic electron energy losses with Micromegas/TIMEPIX

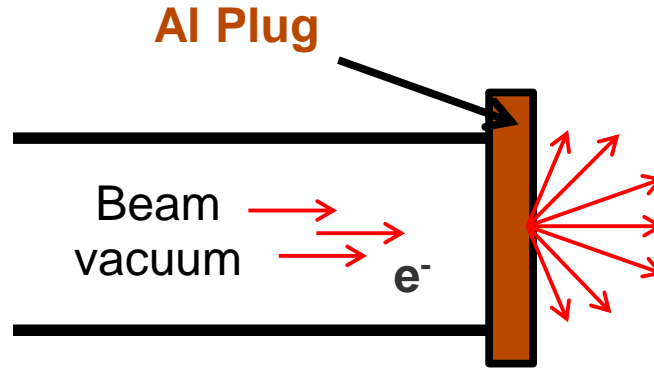
## Students hands-on:

→ All above + track reconstruction, gaseous detector edge effects

## **Setup idea & feasibility studies**

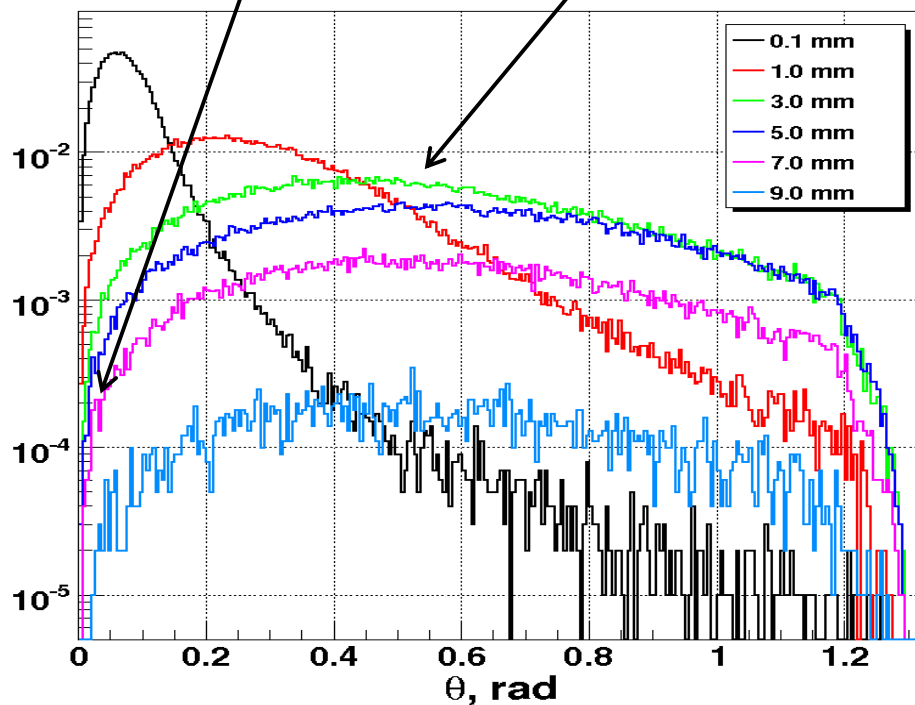
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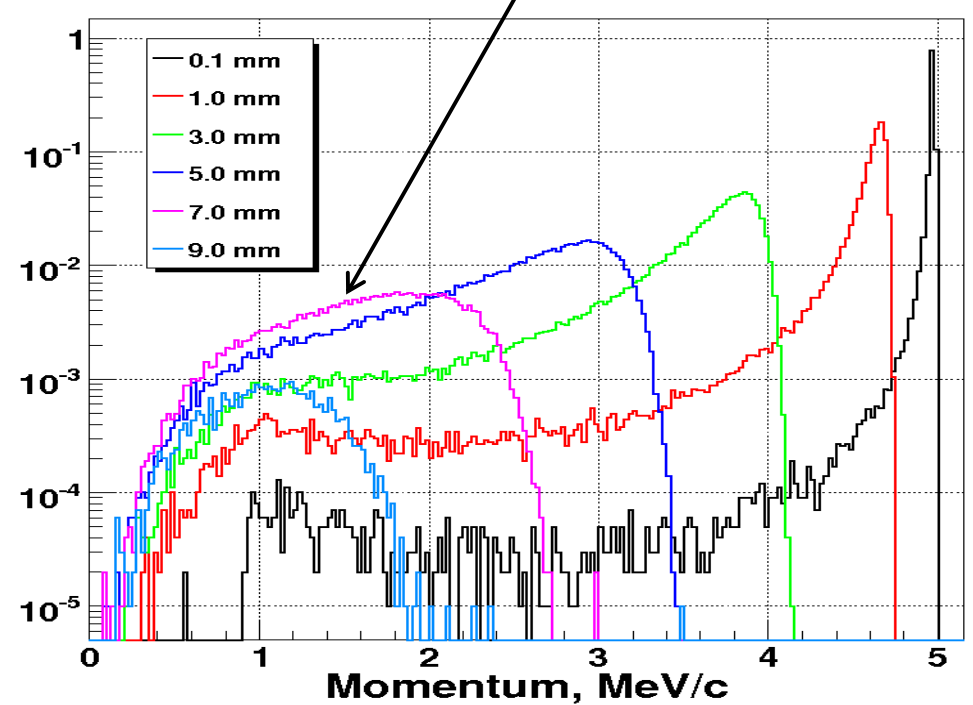


Initial flight direction of electrons

Capture the electrons with the angle from the plateau

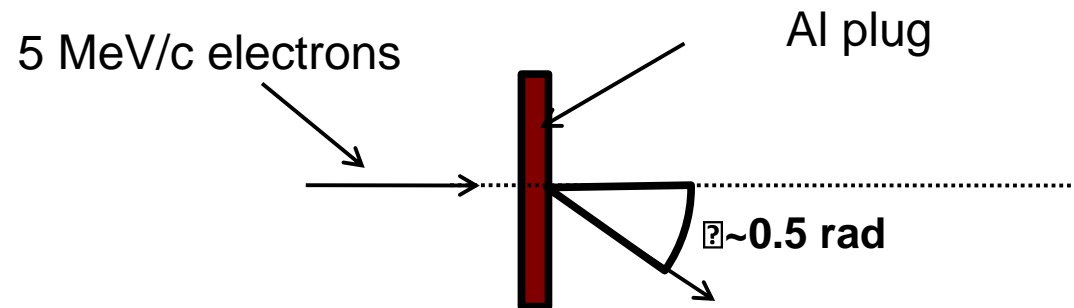
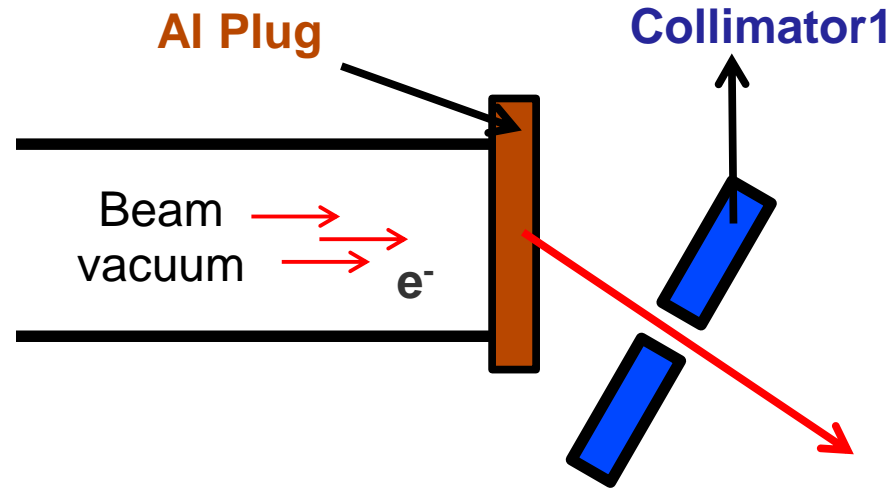


Different plug thickness favours different energy samples, so that it is advantageous to produce several plugs of different thickness



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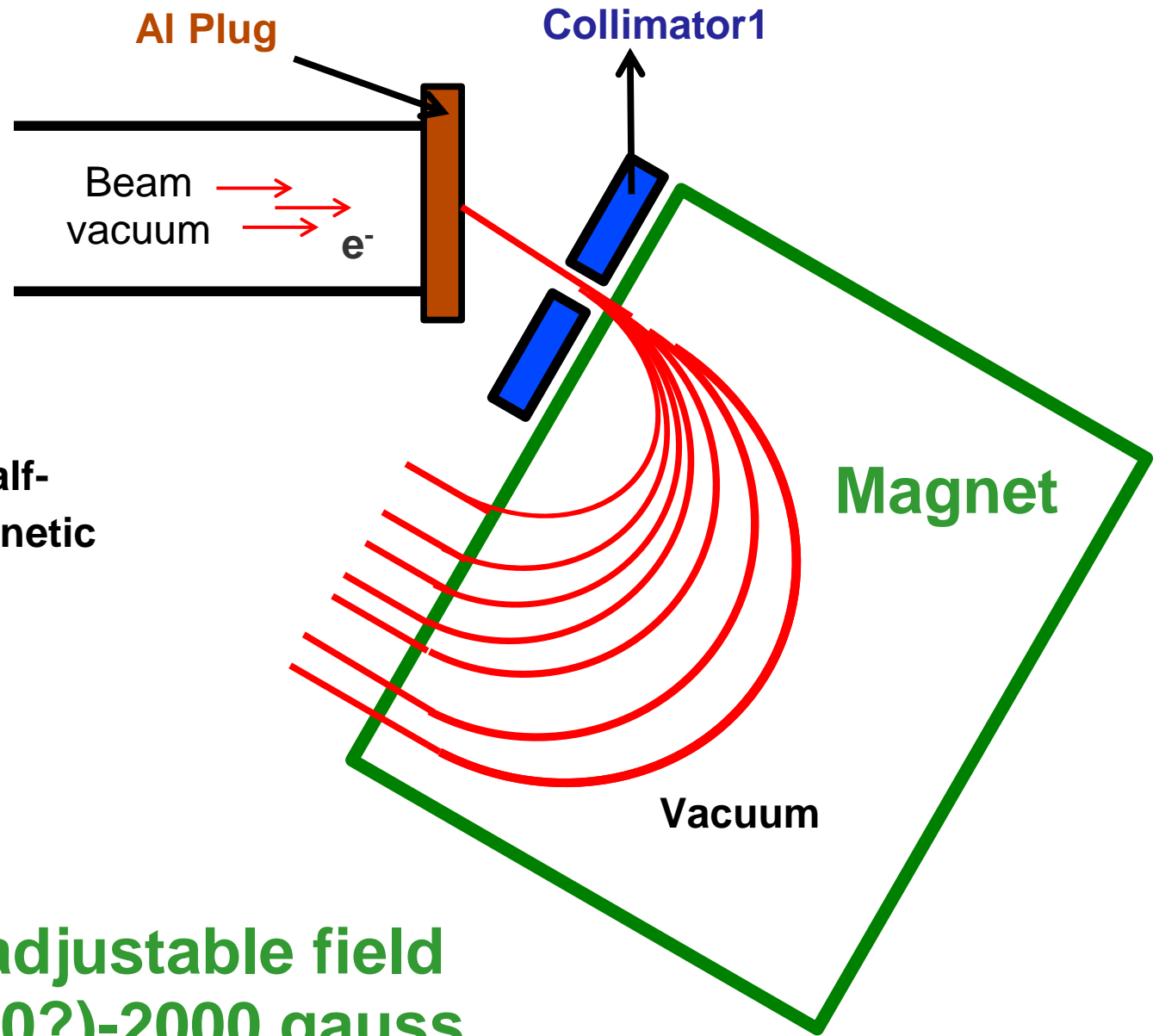
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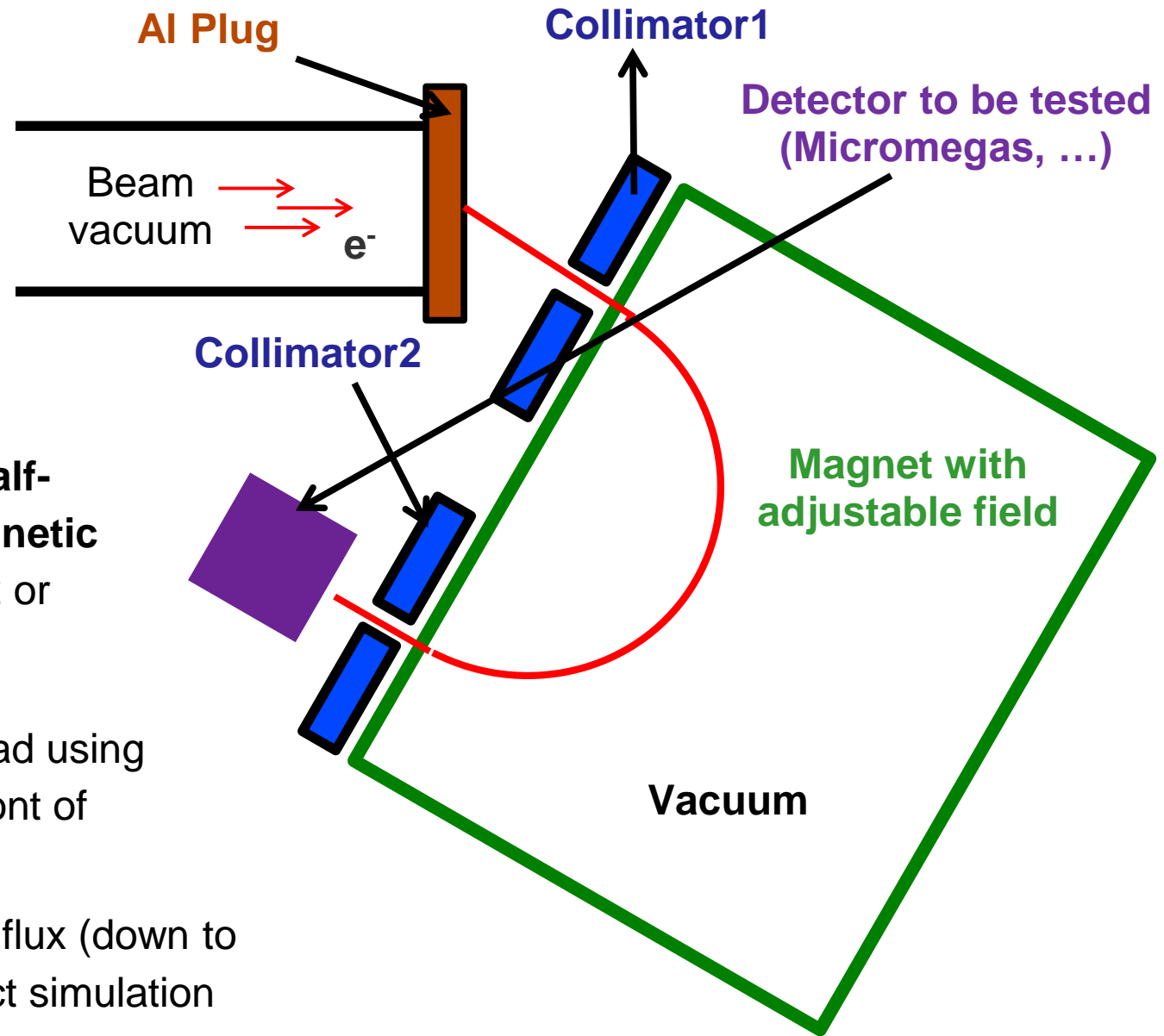
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**Magnet with adjustable field  
In range 100(50?)-2000 gauss**

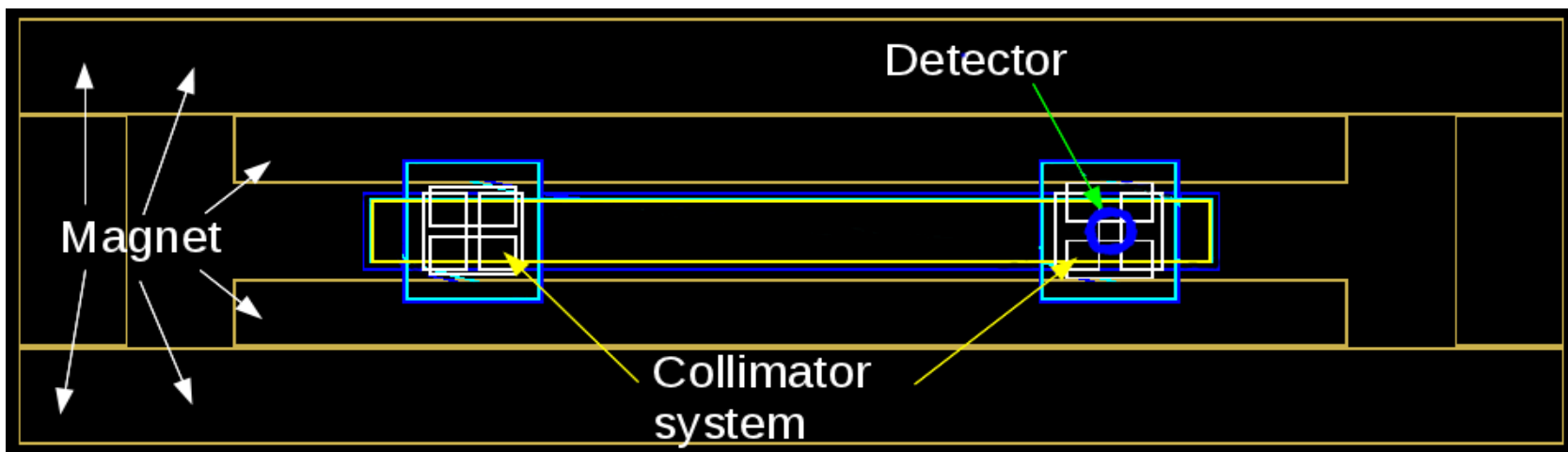
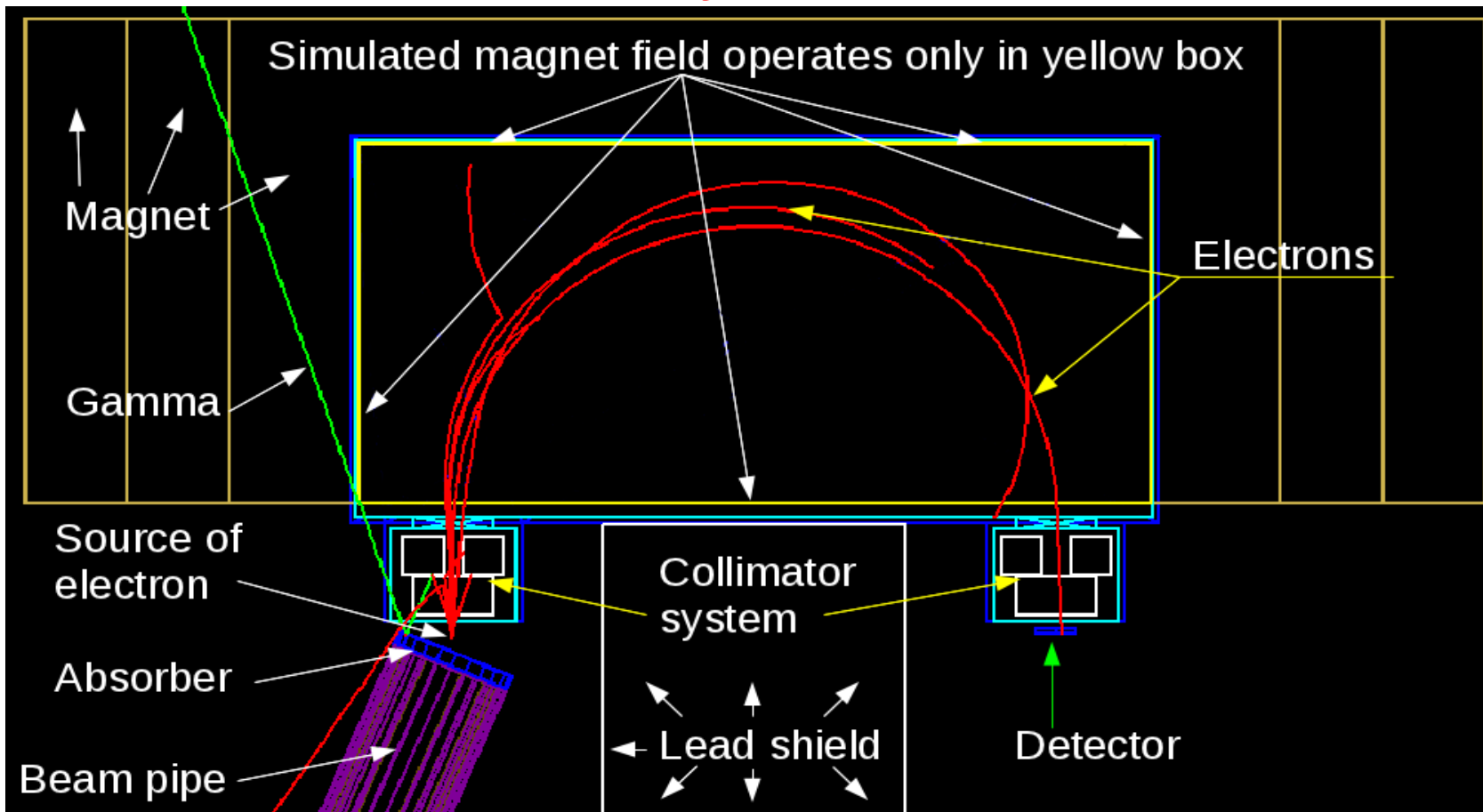
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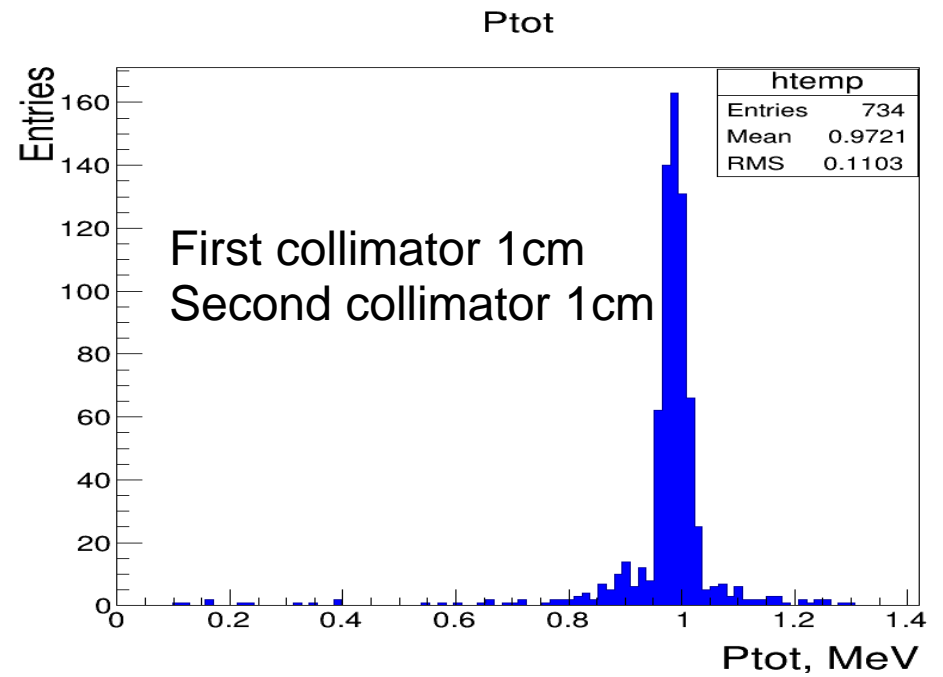
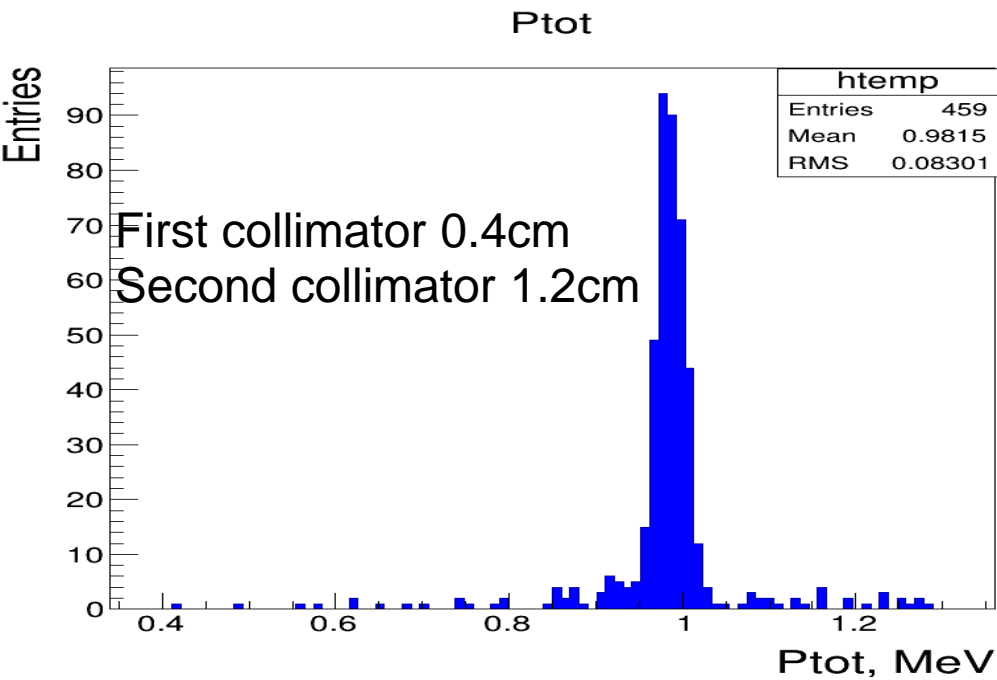
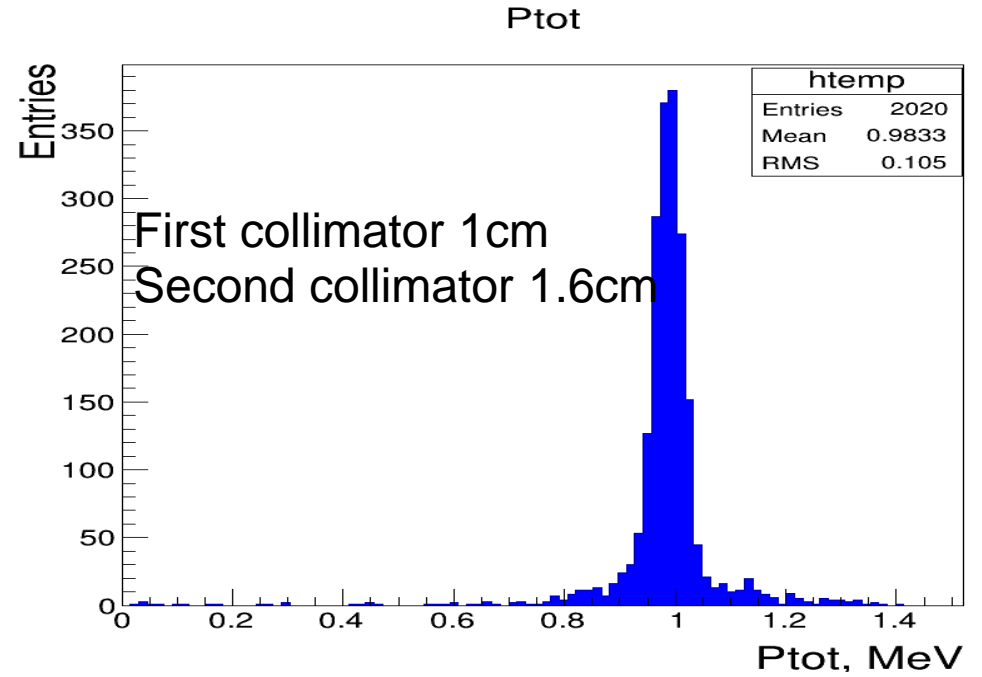
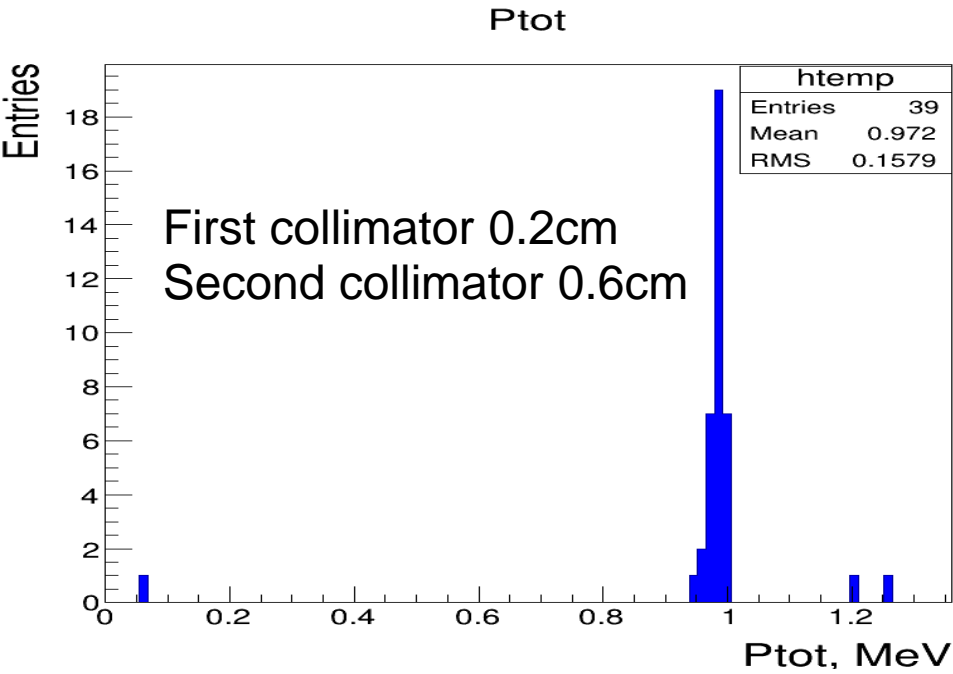
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- Select required energy by **half-turn of electron in the magnetic field** (position of collimator 2 or field value)
- Adjust intensity/energy spread using collimator 2, positioned in front of tested detector
- **Multiplicity** at high electron flux (down to  $\sim 10^4$  electrons  $\sim 1$  fC): project simulation results
- **Electron counting** at low fluxes: Micromegas to calibrate detector settings (magnetic field and collimator positions) or count electrons on individual bunch basis

# Simulations in GEANT4

# Geometry of simulation



# Typical spectra



## Table of Results for simplified settings

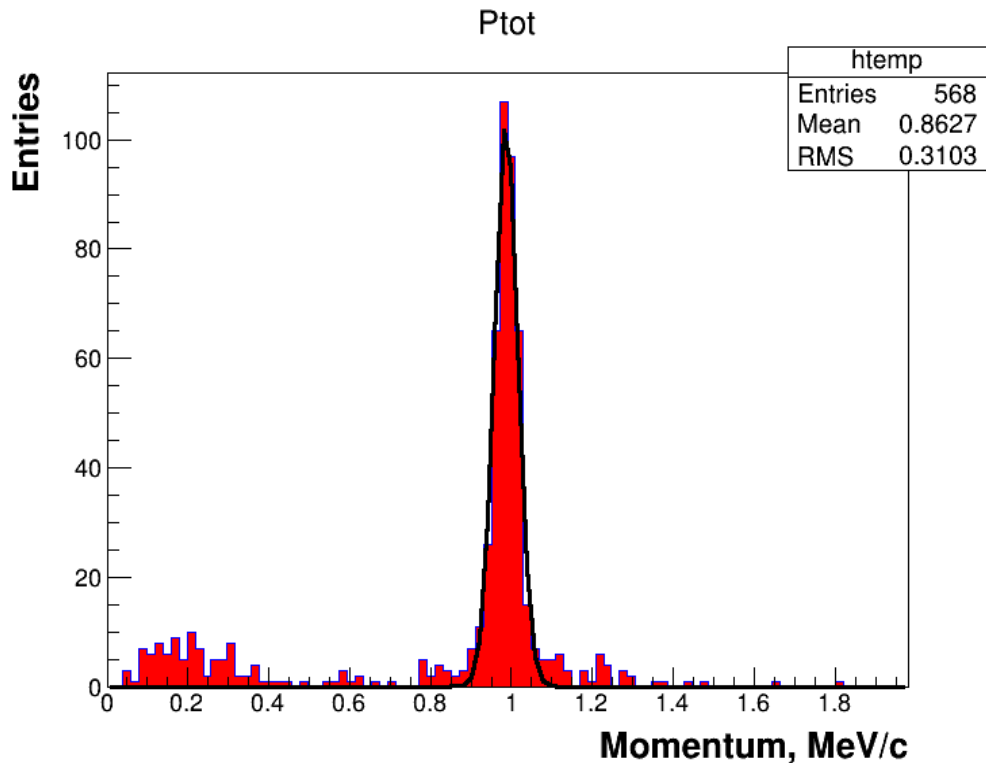
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0,3	1	0,111	1,17E-02	220	1	1	0,11	2,10E-02	734
0,3	1,4	0,128	1,52E-02	435	1	1,2	0,118	2,25E-02	1131
0,4	0,8	0,14	1,31E-02	175	1	1,4	0,097	2,31E-02	1506
0,4	1	0,09	1,46E-02	339	1	1,6	0,105	2,75E-02	2020
0,4	1,2	0,083	1,62E-02	459	1	1,8	0,119	2,80E-02	2257
0,4	1,4	0,086	1,93E-02	633	1,2	1,4	0,102	2,84E-02	1694
0,4	1,6	0,099	1,93E-02	748	1,2	1,6	0,107	3,11E-02	2191
0,6	1	0,123	1,65E-02	464	1,2	1,8	0,116	3,20E-02	2557
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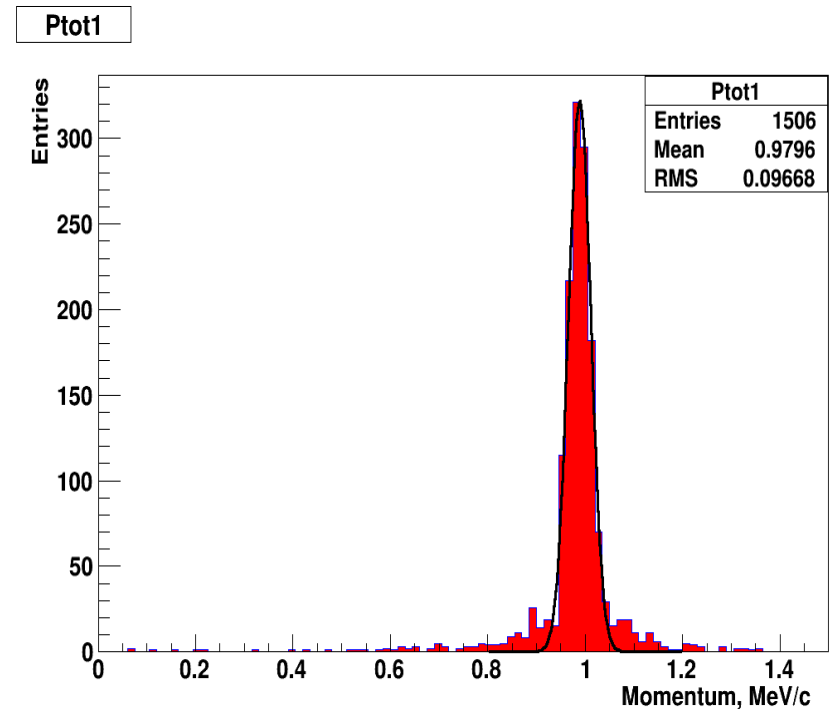
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1 cm  
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Realistic settings.  
100 million initial electrons.



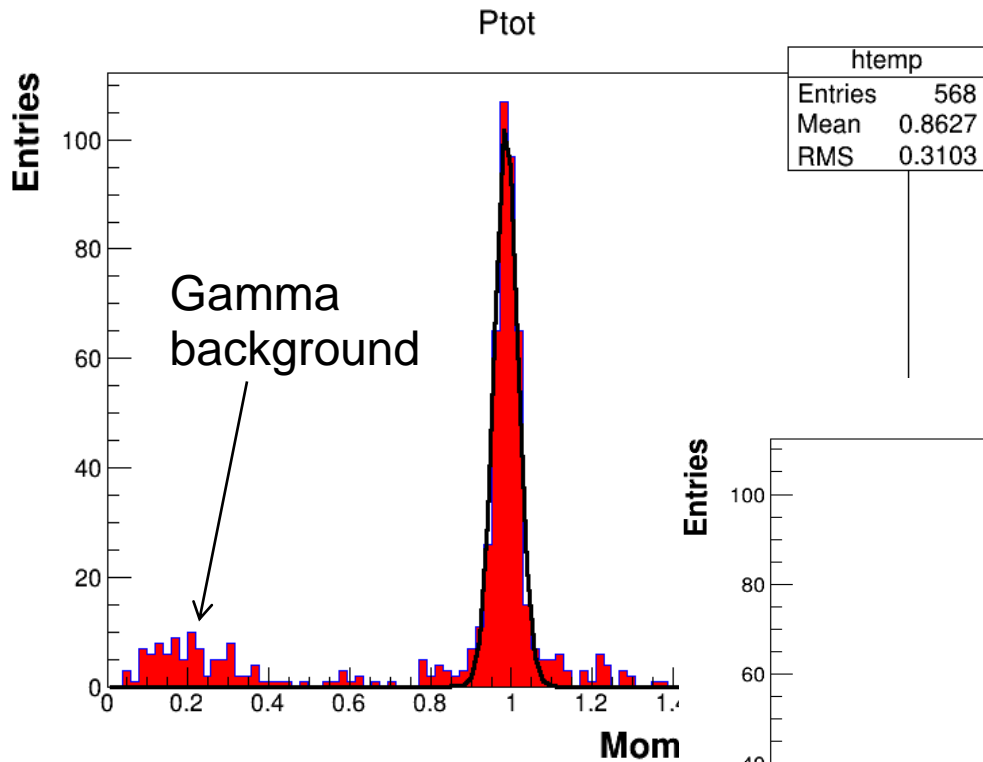
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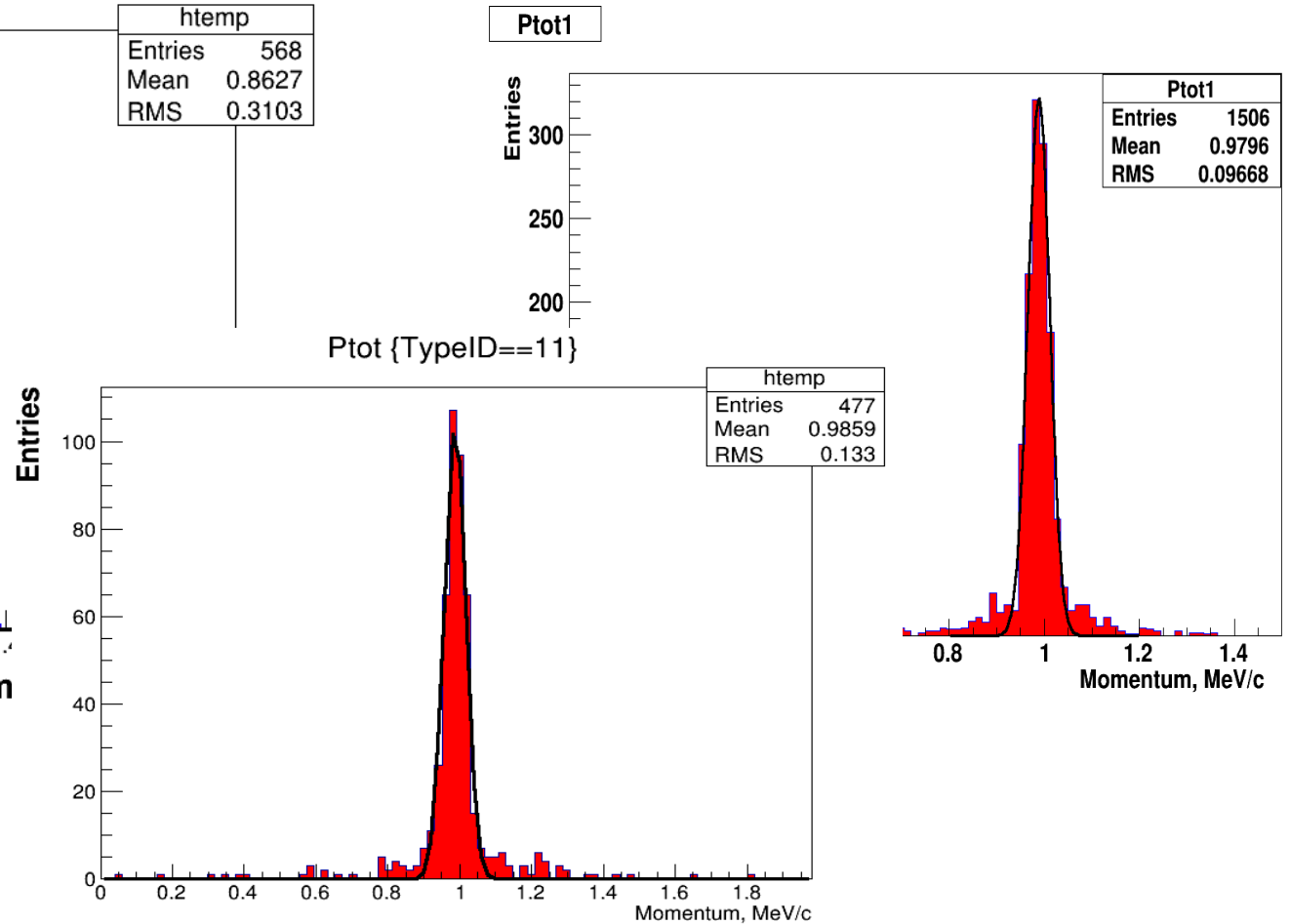
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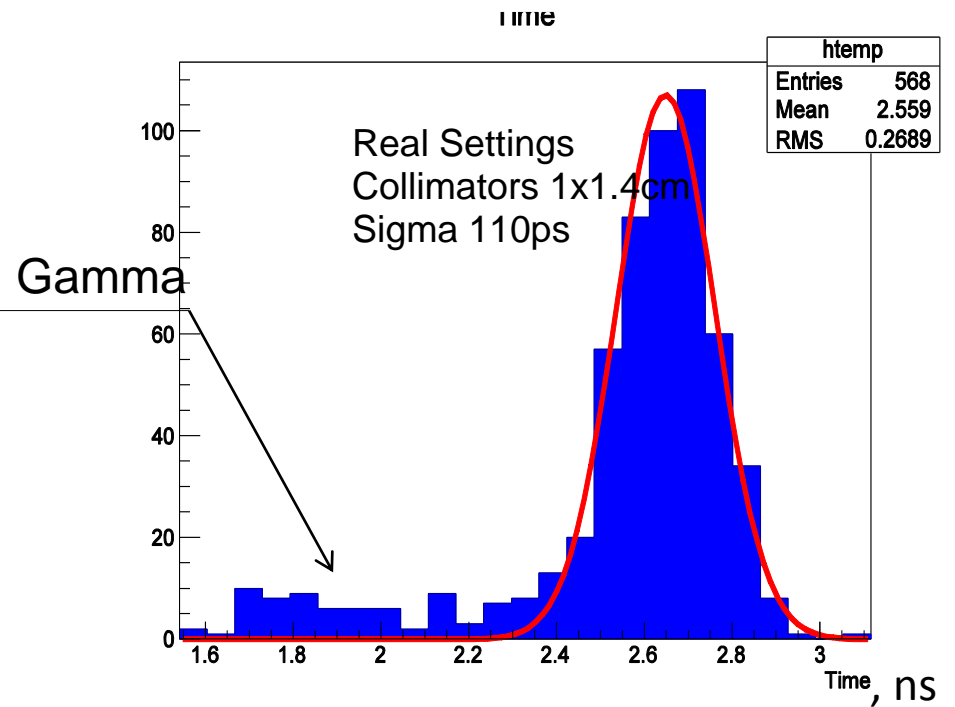
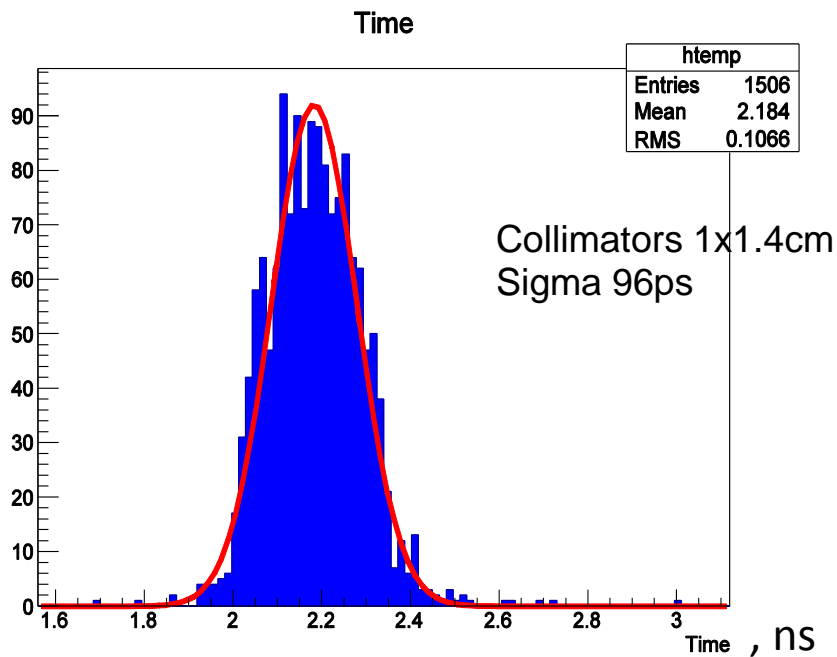
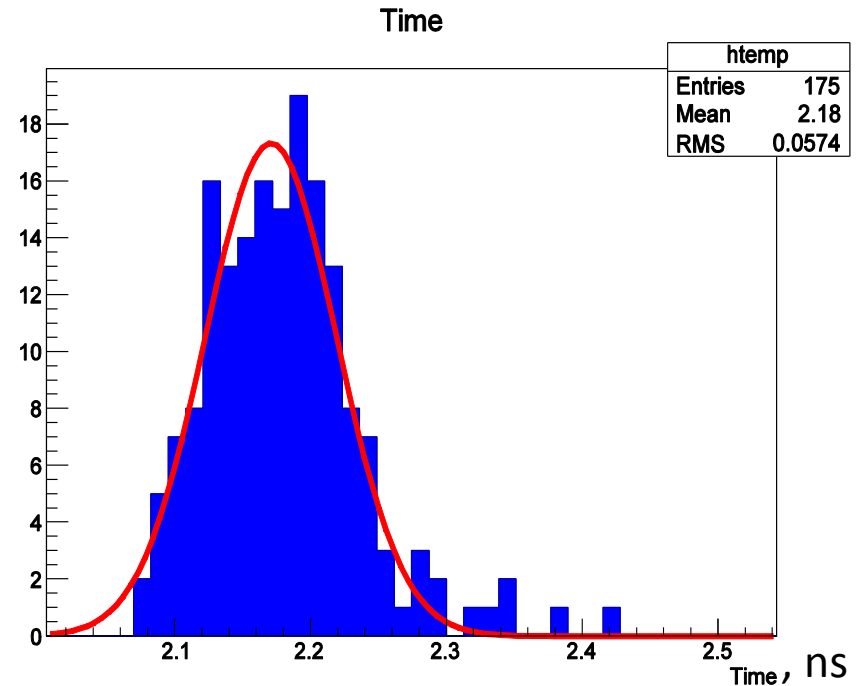
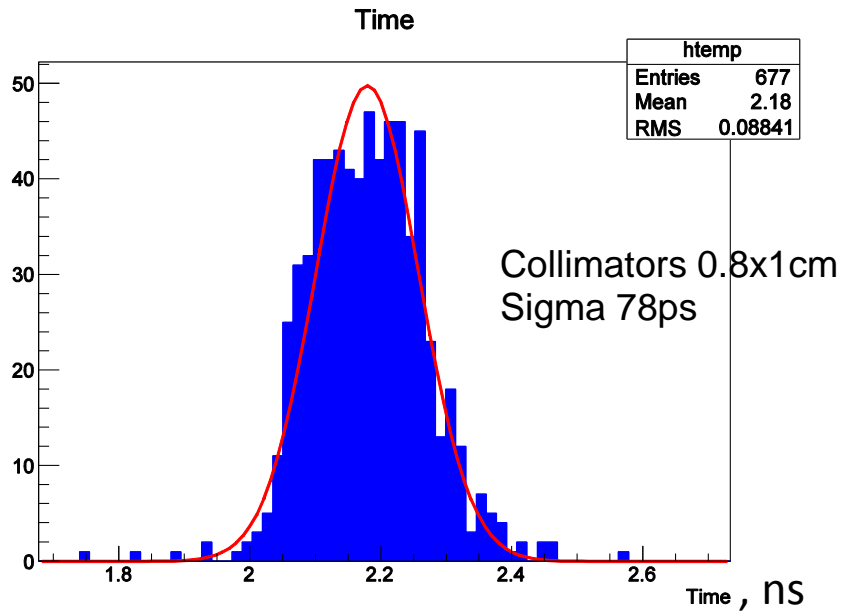


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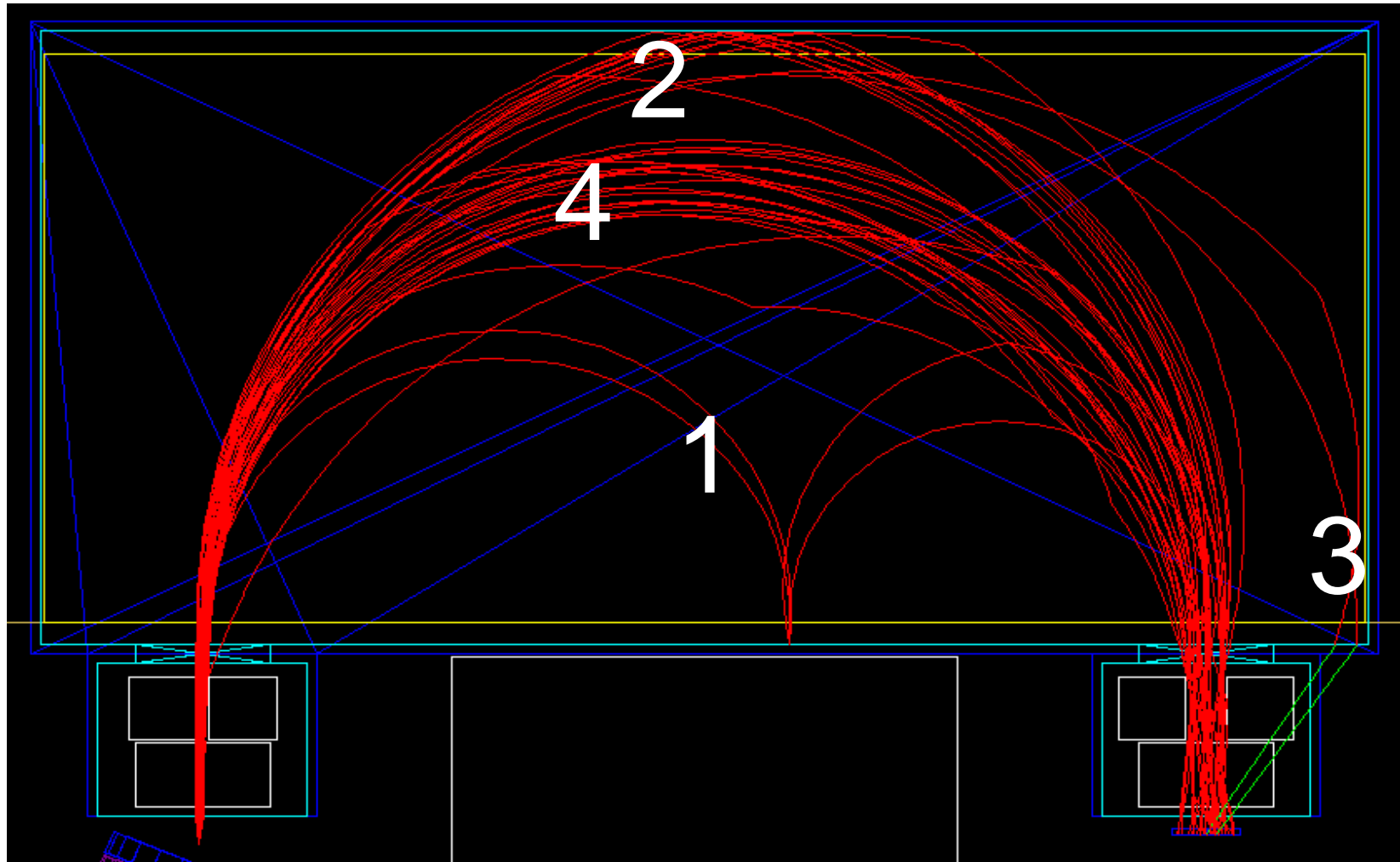


# Timing resolution



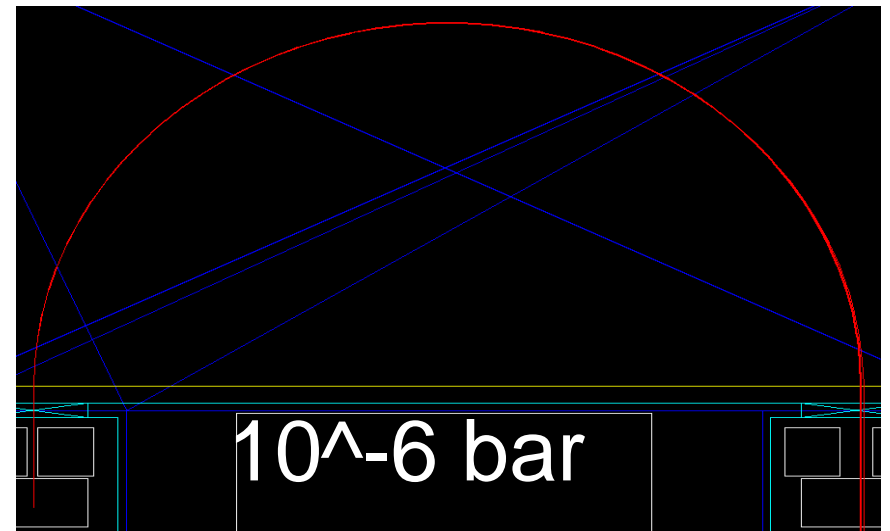
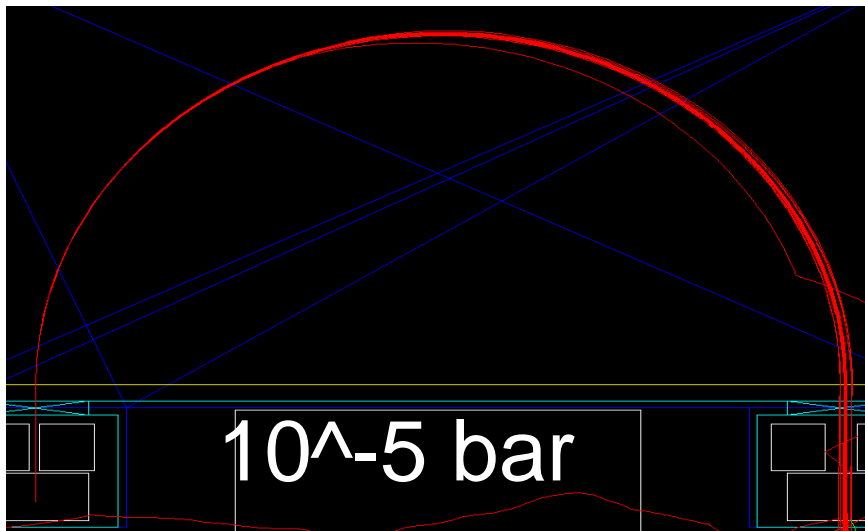
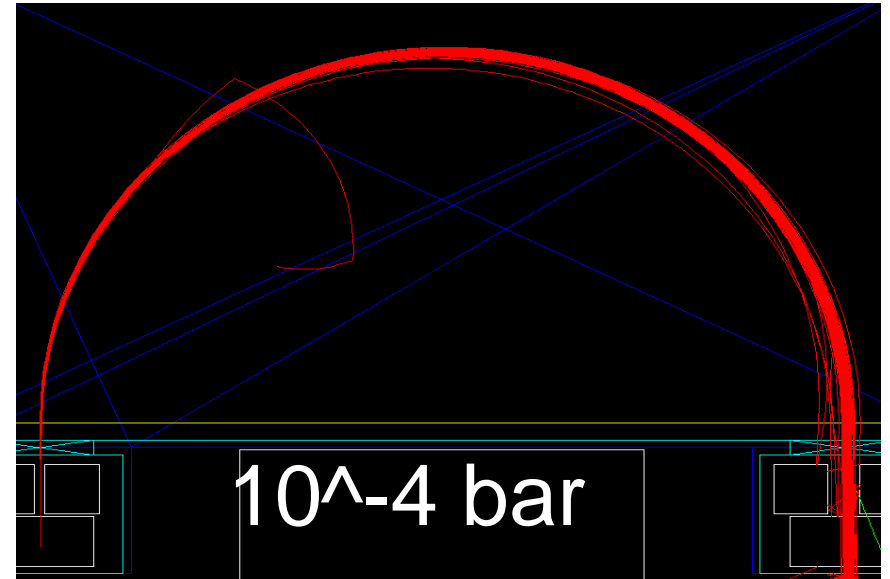
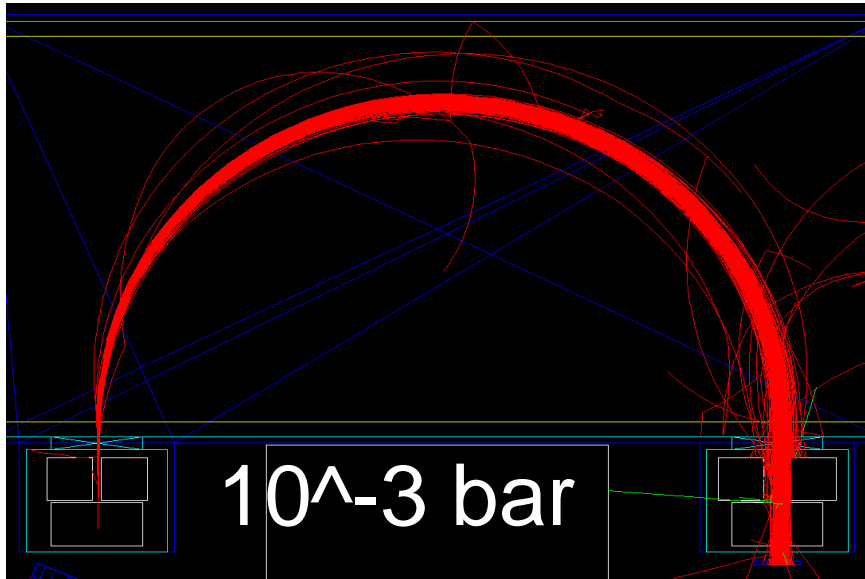
## Source of the noise

This picture shows all tracks which hit the detector and with momentum less than 0.9 MeV and more than 1.1 MeV (image only for background particles).



# Vacuum quality in the magnet

→ Requirements to the vacuum quality in the volume, between the exit window and the detector



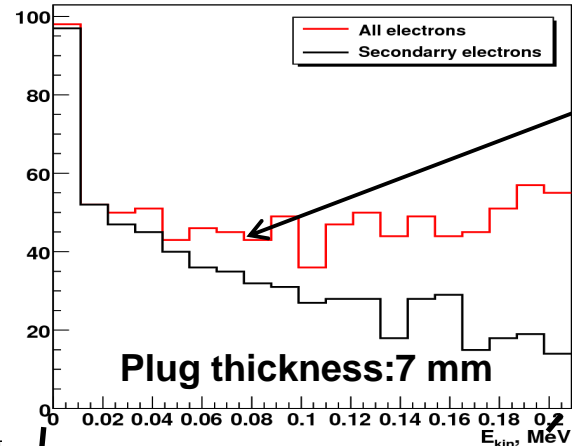
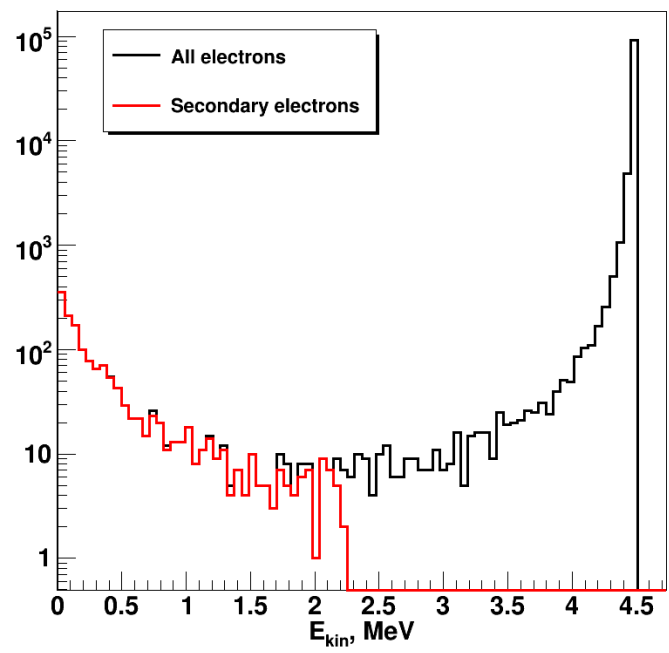
**10<sup>-5</sup> bar is a standard of for Vacuum systems**

# Very low energy: spectrum after the Al plug

## At sub-MeV energies:

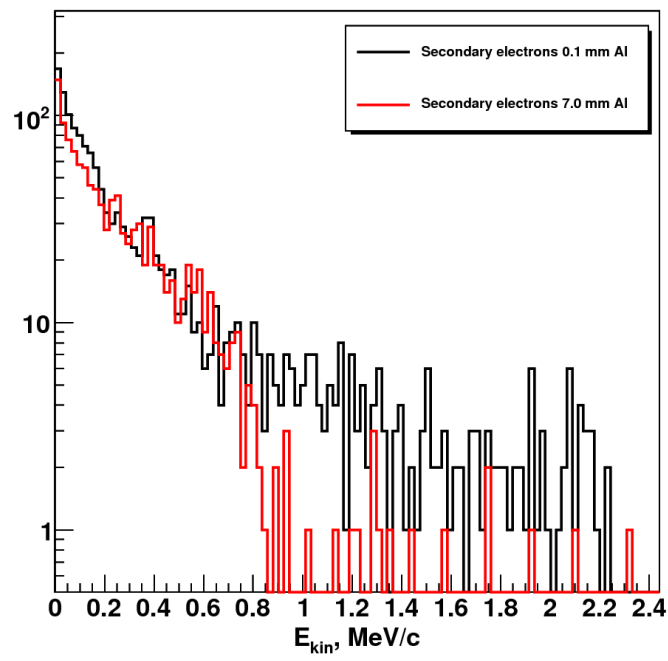
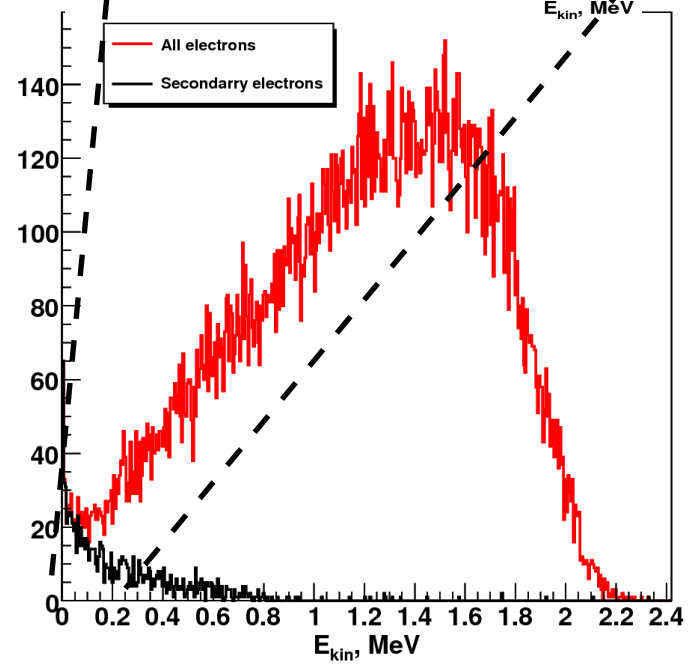
- Very sensitive to Geant thresholds, in terms of range for  $e^{\pm}$  and gamma in the material: standard Geant 1 mm → reduced step length of 0.001 mm
- Dominant contribution from secondary electrons
- Despite similar amount of secondary electrons, smaller contribution from primary electrons of nearby energies for thin plug

Plug thickness: 0.1 mm



Contribution of secondary electrons

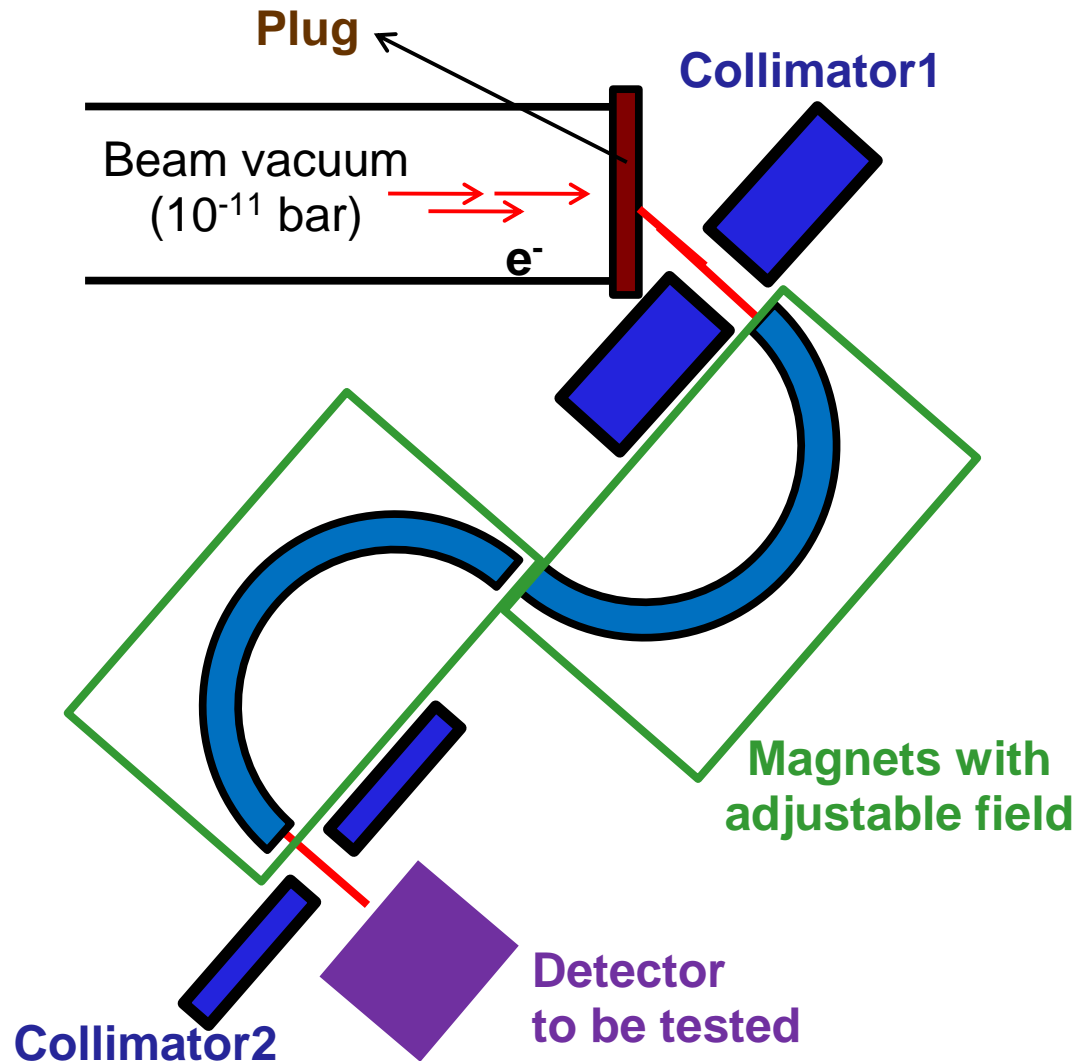
Spectrum of secondary electrons for 0.1 mm and 7 mm thick plug



# Possible further upgrades

Upgradability:

- More **adjustable plugs**: thickness and material
- Reducing material at the entrance/**exit window**
- Possibility of insertion of the **test detector into the vacuum area**
- Improving **vacuum quality**
- Adding **more turns in the magnetic field**, will further reduce background



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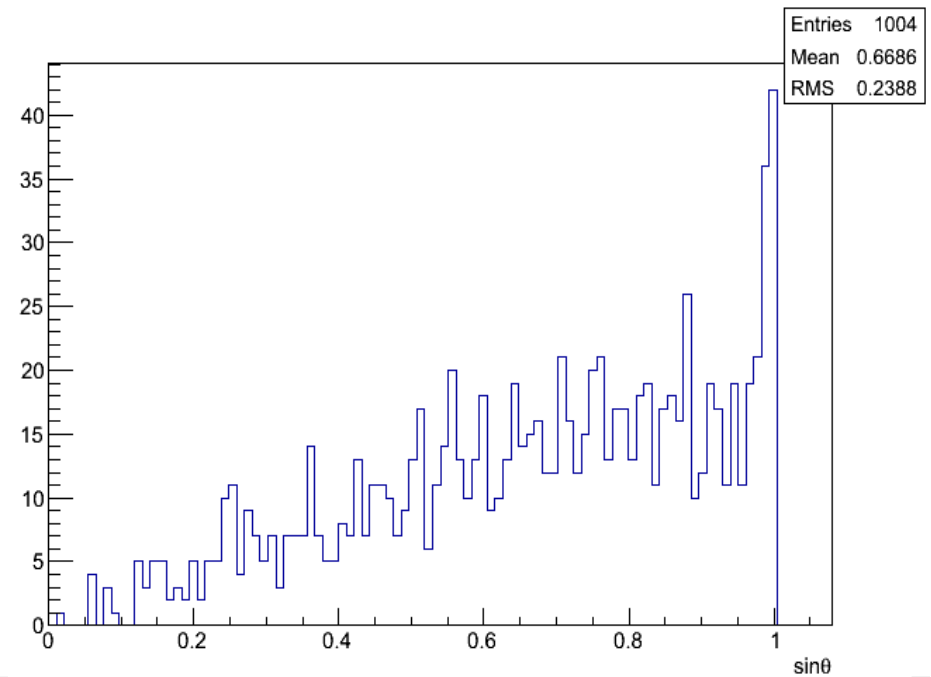
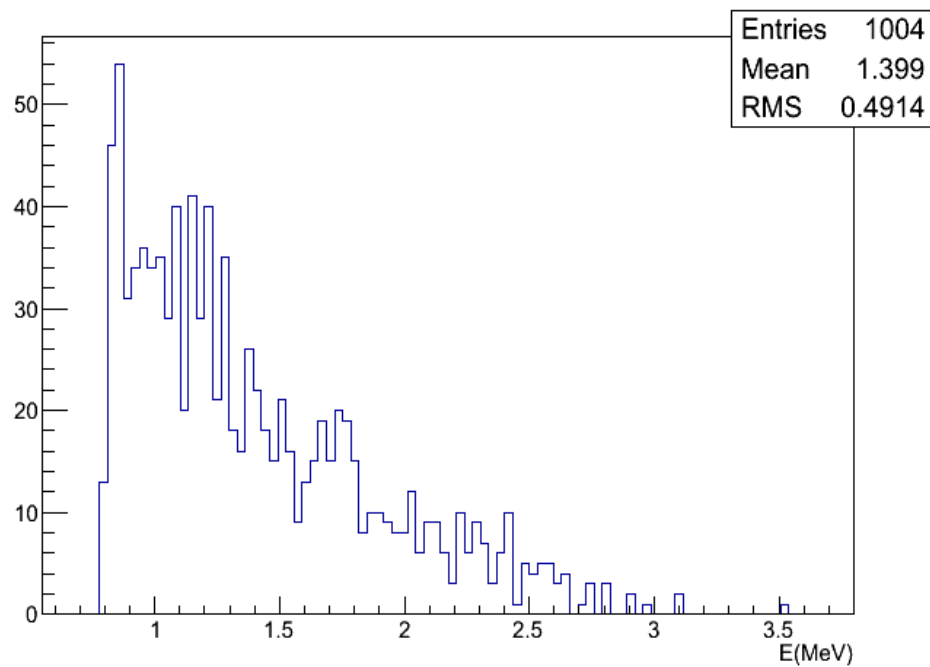
(slide from Olivier Dadoun)

Example: Positron @ PHIL (5MeV)

Simulated  $10^7$   $e^-$ , beam energy 5 MeV, spot size 2.5 mm (rms), no divergence

Optimal **tungsten** target (plug)  $\sim 0.95$  mm

Yield  $\sim 10^6$



# Summary

- Setup using electrons from PHIL and yielding “**monochromatic**” **low energy electron samples with adjustable energy and intensity** is proposed
- Proposal initially motivated by the **Micromegas/InGrid** studies, three-leg (LAL-IRFU-Kiev U) project, naturally re-establishes gaseous detectors at LAL
- Other potential **applications**: from detector (and beam) studies to low energy electron dE/dx studies and students’ hands-on
- Principal design identified, feasibility studies (full Geant 4 simulation) prove the idea
- After the basic version is realized, **stageable upgrades** are proposed to improve signal-to-background conditions and energy resolution
- Installation planned for december 2013, startup beginning 2014

Backup



# Driving application: Micromegas/InGrid tests

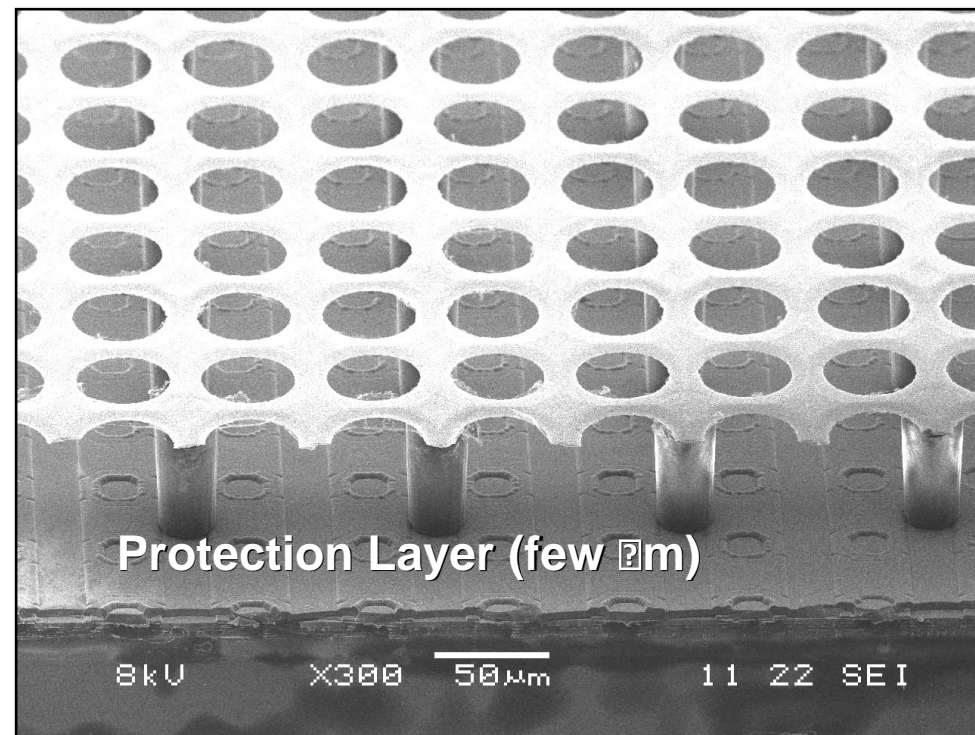
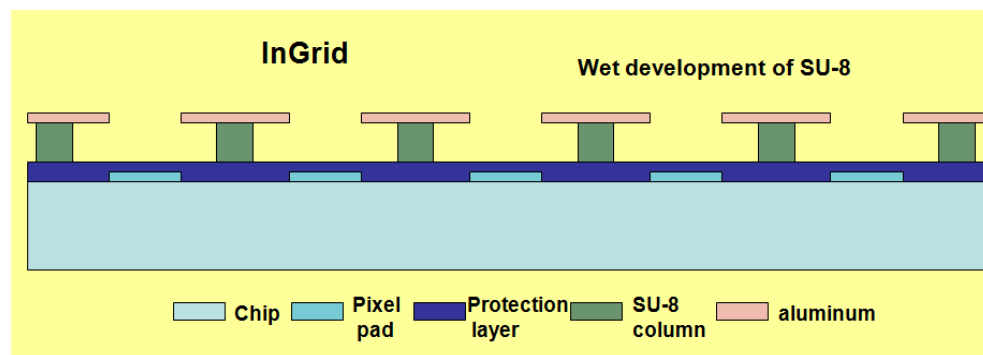
## Micromegas/InGrid:

IRFU / NIKHEF / Bonn U development

3D Gaseous Pixel Detector → 2D (CMOS pixel chip readout) x 1D (drift time)

## InGrid Concept:

Through POST-PROCESSING INTEGRATE MICROMEAS directly on top of CMOS chip (covered with protection layer)



M. Chefdeville et al., NIMA556 (2006) 490.

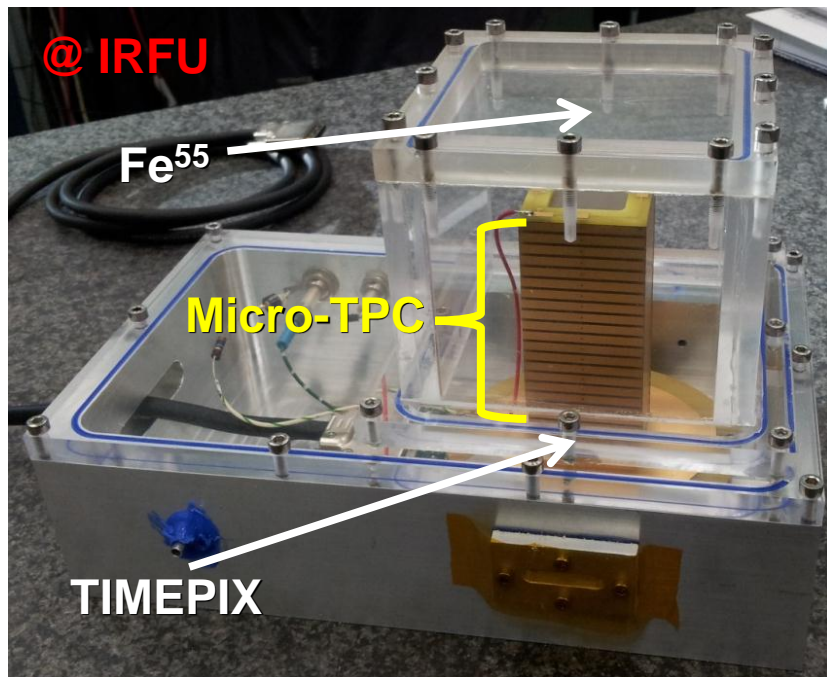
Bump bond pads for Si-pixel Detectors - Timepix or Medipix2 (256 x 256 pixels of size 55 x 55 μm<sup>2</sup>) serve as charge collection pads.

Each pixel can be set to:

TOT → Integrated charge

TIME → Time between hit and shutter end

# Micro-TPC by Micromegas/InGrid test at PHIL

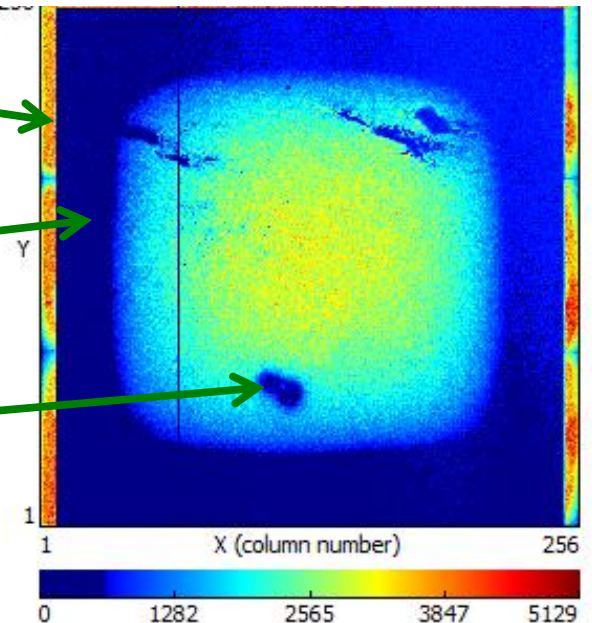


New IZM-3 InGrid: post-processing at the wafer level

Some noise and/or discharges

Guard ring problem in micro-TPC

Some local grid issues



Drift distance in micro-TPC (~10 cm) large enough to allow study of single electron response from  $\text{Fe}^{55}$  source

## Three-leg project:

Tests @ PHIL → LAL  
Detector expertise → IRFU  
Simulation expertise → LAL + Kiev U  
(+ R.Veenhof, CERN)

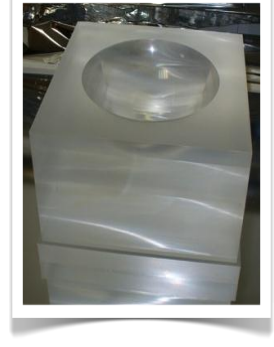
## Tests at PHIL:

- Concept/production adjustment issues: protection layer, lateral uniformity, ...
- Further performance studies: rate dependence, efficiencies, border effects, ...
- Eventual applications: TPCs for ILC, CLIC, CAST
- Physics, R&D, students' hands on:  $dE/dx$  for low energy electrons, electron counting, scans, ...

# Application for SuperNEMO: a tool to test the calorimeter?

(slide from Laurent Simard)

- Calorimeter (plastic scintillators coupled to PMTs)
- Actually tested at CENBG Bordeaux with a spectrometer : [0.4-1.8] MeV FWHM < 1.8% at 1 MeV
- Constraint : counting rate < ~ 100 Hz (limited by acquisition)



- Possibilities offered by the new tool : extend the energy range [0.1-4] MeV?
- Obtaining a correct beam energy resolution and a reduced counting rate could a priori be possible by adjusting the width of the selection window
- Important to study: background induced by the Bremsstrahlung photons (from the beam interaction)

- Use of a small plastic scintillator inside the spectrometer to tag the electron?
- Optimized geometry/shielding?
- Reduced background if half-turn(s) added, see “upgrade” discussion below

- ~4 MeV seems to be more easy
- ~0.1 MeV more difficult (thickness of the window before the detector, more background ...)



# ATF2 Beam halo and Compton electron Diamond sensor project

(slide from Philip Bambade)

**Diamond sensors** → compact, fast, radiation hard, profile measurements

Providers (presently) : **Element Six Ltd** **CEA-LIST**

Post-processing and packaging : **GSI-Darmstadt** **CEA-LIST** **Systrel-Serma**

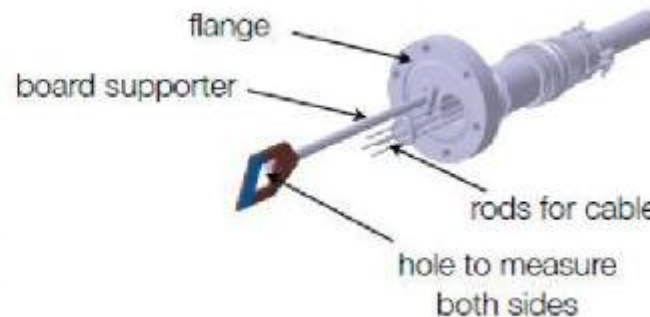
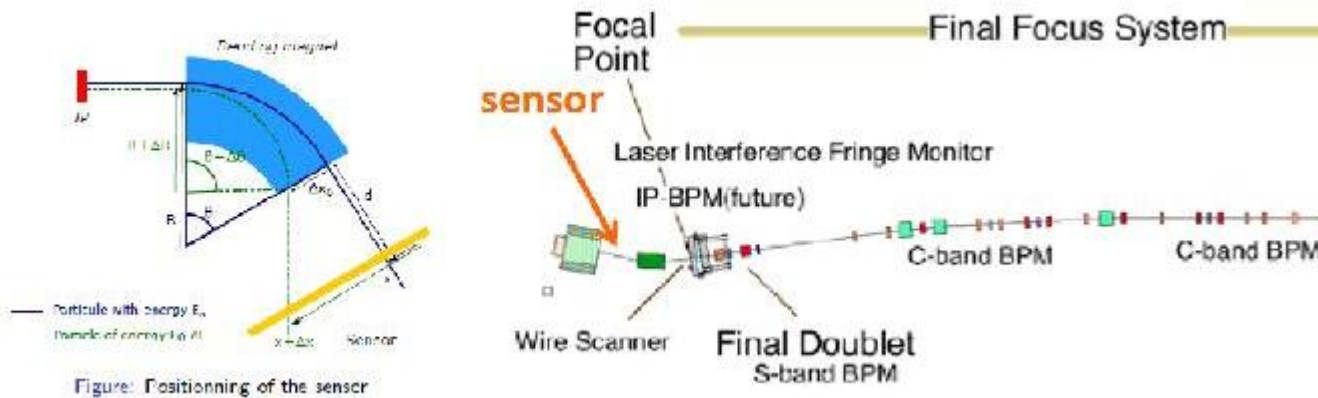
**Support:** **IN2P3 & P2IO**, LAL **electronics**, **mechanics** & **ATLAS-SLHC** groups

**Personnel:** 1 DR, 1 PhD student, 1 master student, 4 engineers, pending application for a post-doc

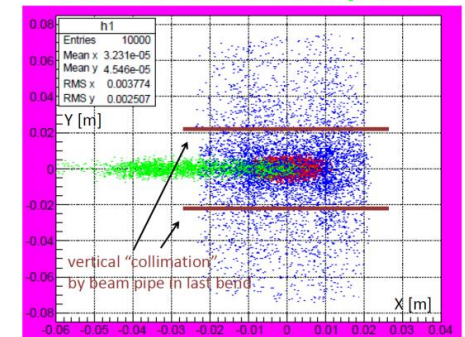
**Planning:** design , initial tests (2012), version 1 full detector production & test (mid-2013), install@KEK (Fall 2013)

**Collaborators:** DESY-Zeuthen, KEK, KNU (Korea), IHEP (China), Uni. Kiev (Ukraine), INFN (Roma-2 & Napoli)

## Location for beam halo measurements in ATF2



## Beam halo Compton

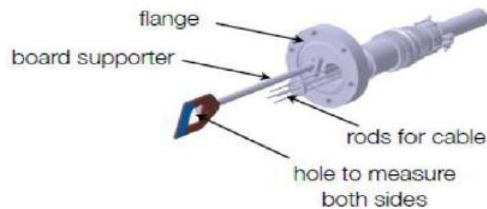


# Diamond sensors at PHIL (testing, diagnostics, ...)

(slide from Philip Bambade)

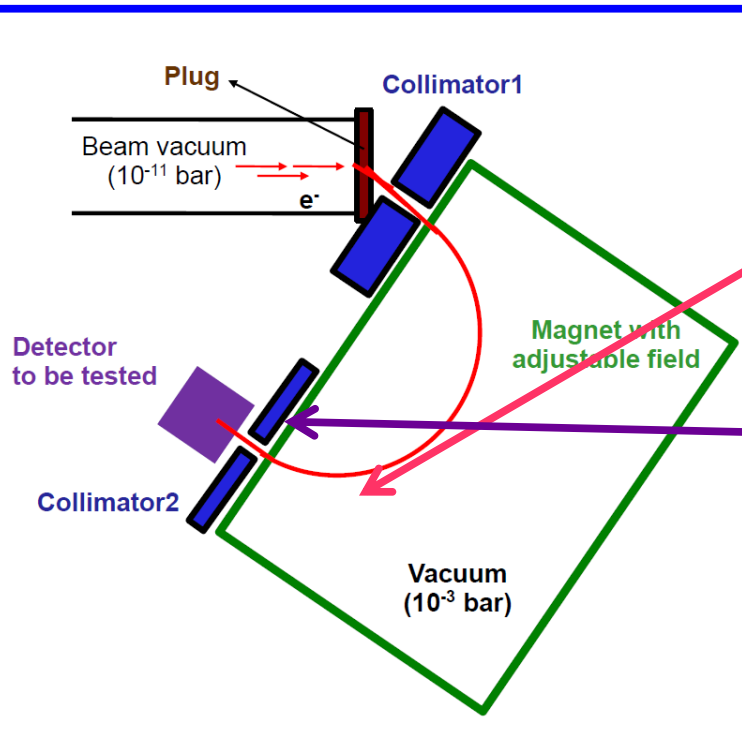
Test of fast remote readout (fast heliax coax cable + ASIC) with particles at end of beam line, using existing single crystal 4.5x4.5mm CVD diamond pad sensor.

Fixed (moveable) beam profile and halo monitor as diagnostic for PHIL: large area poly crystalline CVD sensor



Can be done at once with the present setup !

Test of ATF2 in-vacuum 2x2mm single crystal CVD diamond sensor profile scanner



Low multiplicity rate monitor upstream of second collimator

Resolution test of diamond strip sensor using reconstructed tracks

## GEOMETRIES

Diamond detectors:

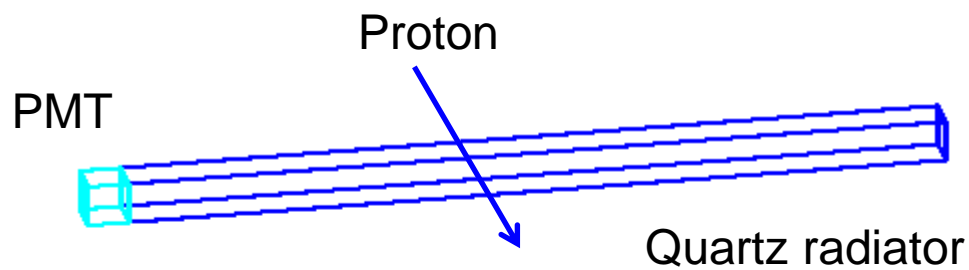
- Pads :  $\text{mm}^2 \times 500 \text{ mm}$
- Strips & pixels
- Membranes ( $\rightarrow 5 \text{ mm}$ )

Diamond target:

- Pattern of carbon nanotube 0.1 mm strip grown on thin layer

# Test bench for UA9: LHC proton halo probe, using Cherenkov light produced in quartz bar

## Basic principle



A  $10 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}^3$  quartz finger/rod connected to the PMT or light guide fibers

Cherenkov light travels inside quartz finger via total internal reflection

Number of detected photons proportional to number of protons crossing the quartz

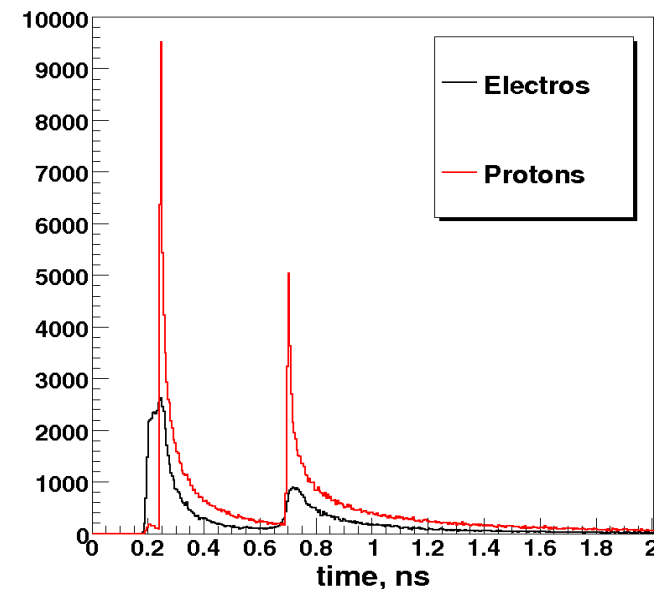
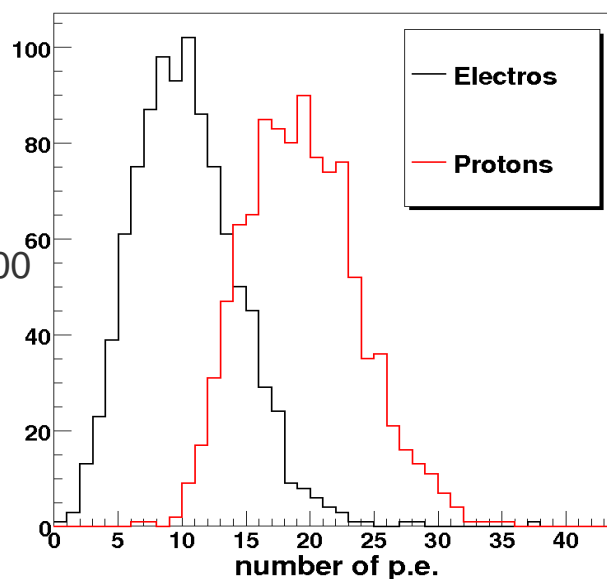
Vacuum compatible system

Fast detector, distinguishes LHC bunches

Measure 100 protons with 10% precision

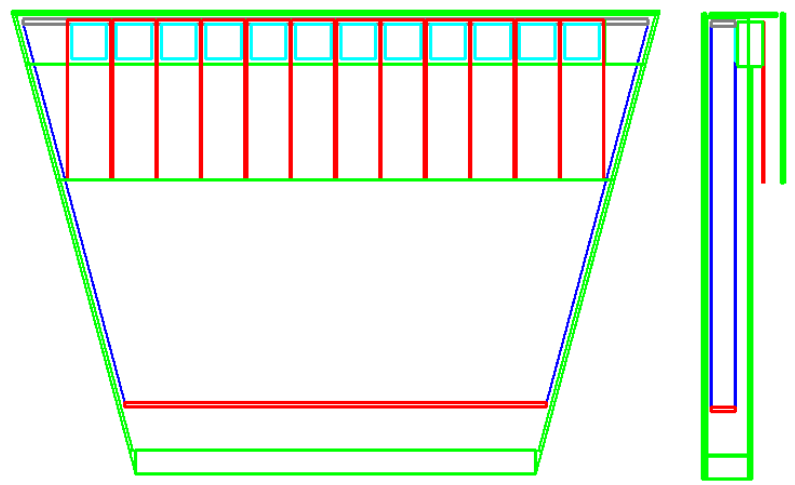
## 100 GeV/c protons vs. 5 MeV/c electrons (Geant4 simulation)

- ~Twice less light for 5 MeV/c electrons
- Slightly degraded timing, but still recuperate 99.9% of light within 5 ns
- Measurements with known number (200 to 1000) and energy of electrons
- Eventual tests with the PHIL halo
- Quartz fibers are potentially useful to measure the length of the PHIL bunches



# Test bench for FTOF: DIRC-like time-of-flight detector for particle ID

DIRC: Detection of internally reflected Cherenkov light

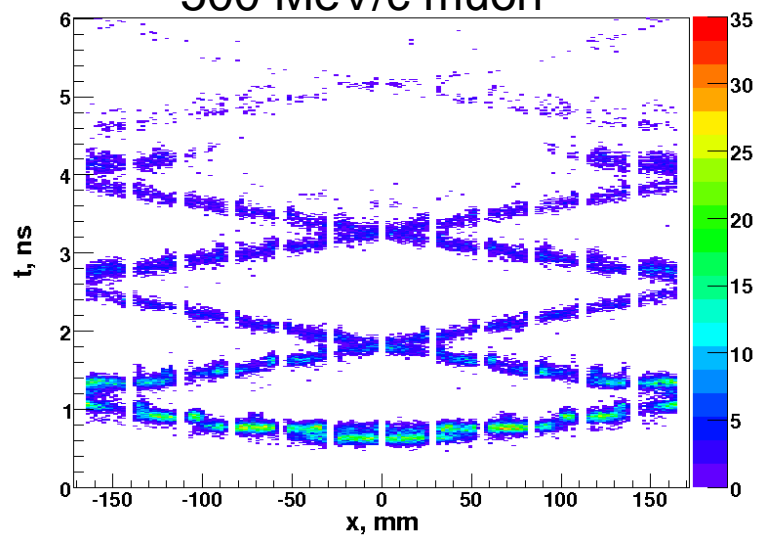


Geant4 simulation of the FTOF detector

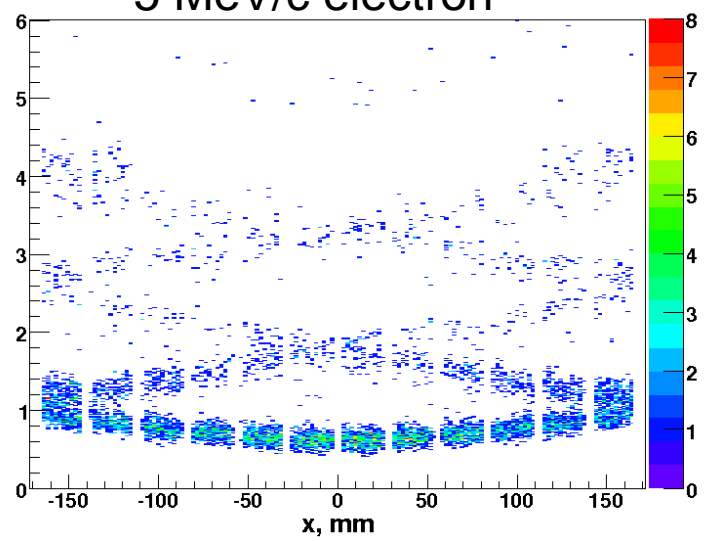
- Detector made of quartz sectors
- The quartz used as radiator of Cherenkov photons and as a light guide (DIRC technique)
- Each sector is readout by MCP or SiPMs
- Use USB – Wavecatcher electronics
- **Applications:** particle identification  
online luminosity monitor  
background monitor

Time versus channel histograms

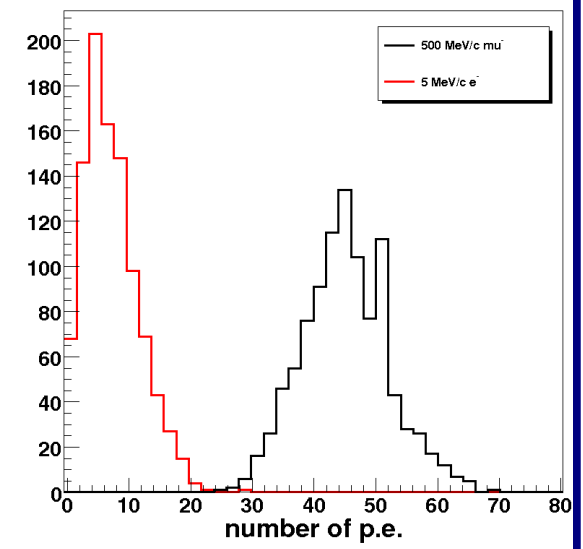
500 MeV/c muon



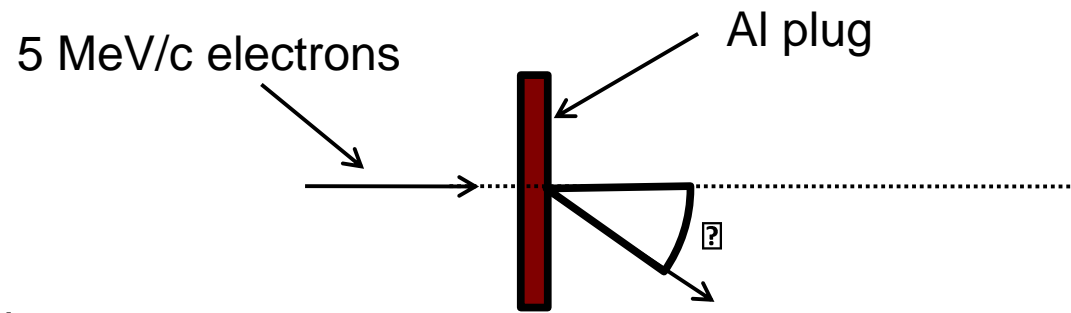
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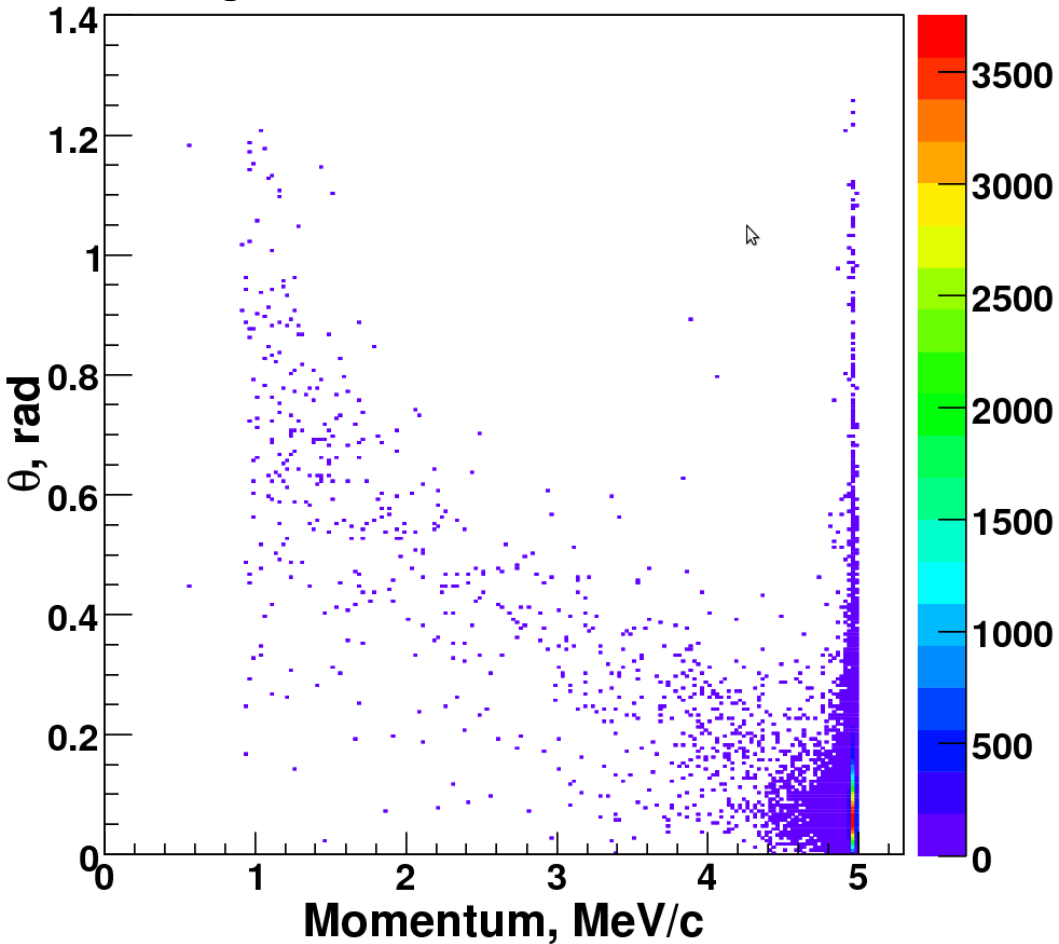
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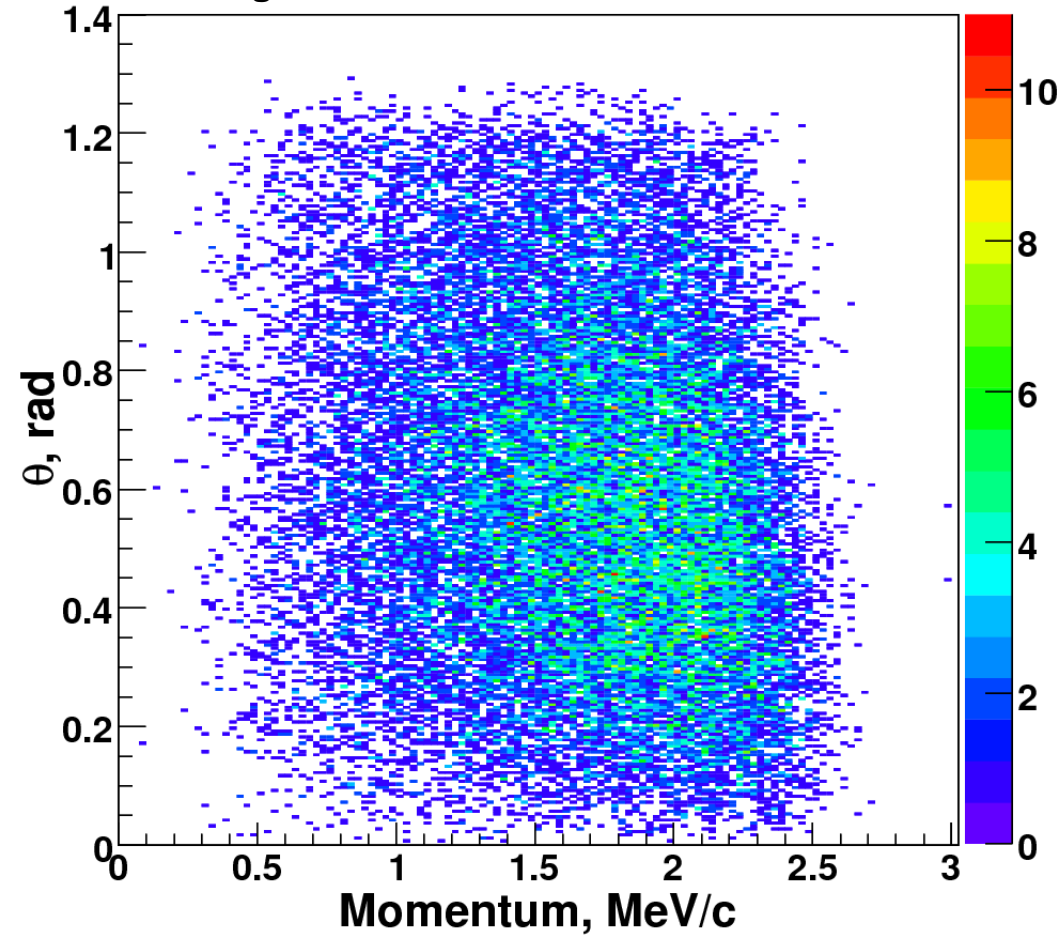
# Angular-momentum correlations



Plug thickness: 0.1 mm



Plug thickness: 7 mm



No strong correlation at thicker plugs.