

International Linear Collider (ILC) Large-Area Micromegas TPC R&D

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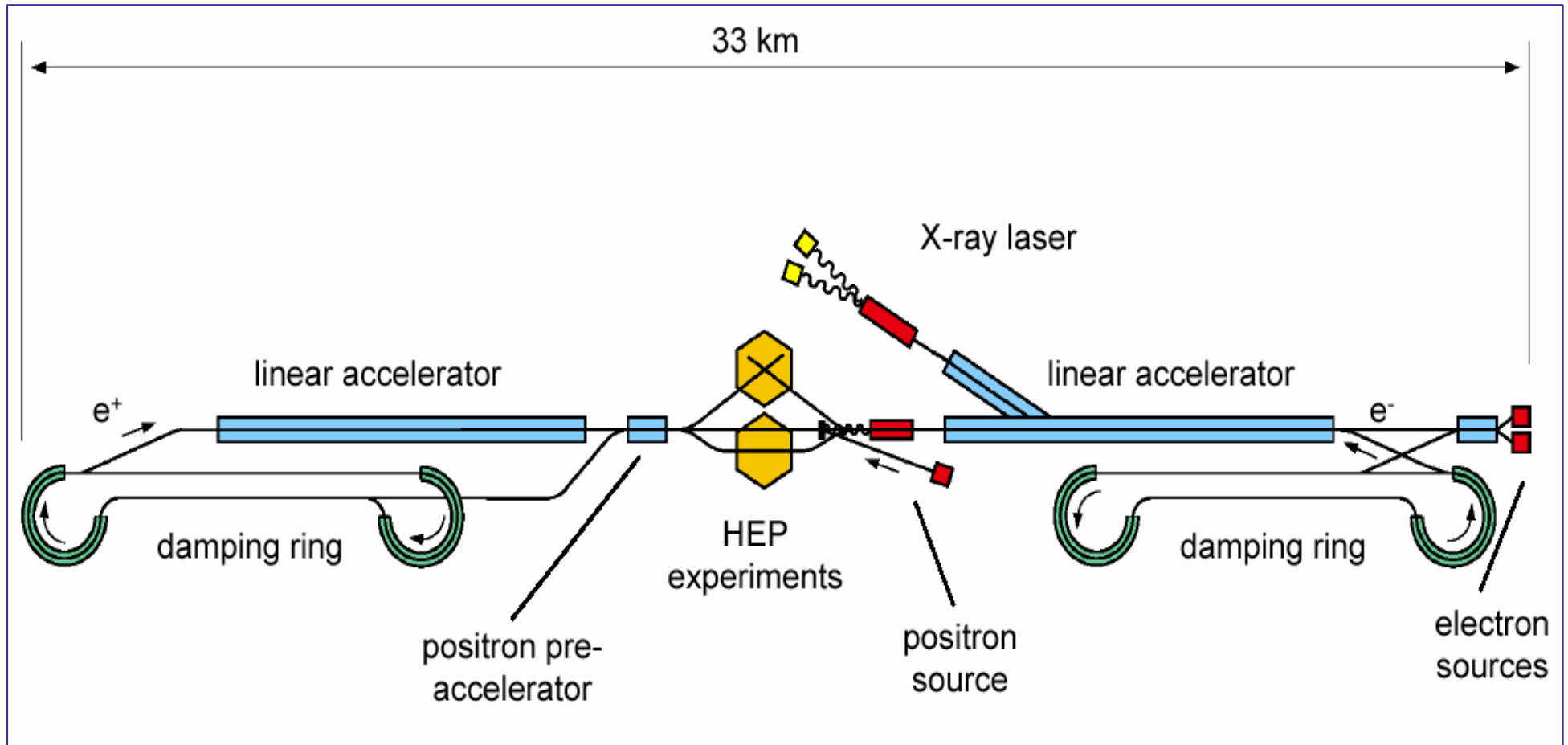
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Outline

- Micromegas TPC Design
 - Construction, Purdue 3M Micromegas mesh
 - Anode pad layout
- Cosmic Test Configuration
- Measured Gas Properties
 - Drift velocity, Electron attachment, Transverse diffusion
- Micromegas TPC Performance Characteristics
 - Gain, stability, noise
 - Transverse position resolution
- Pixel TPC R&D
 - Setup, MediPix chip (2D) readout

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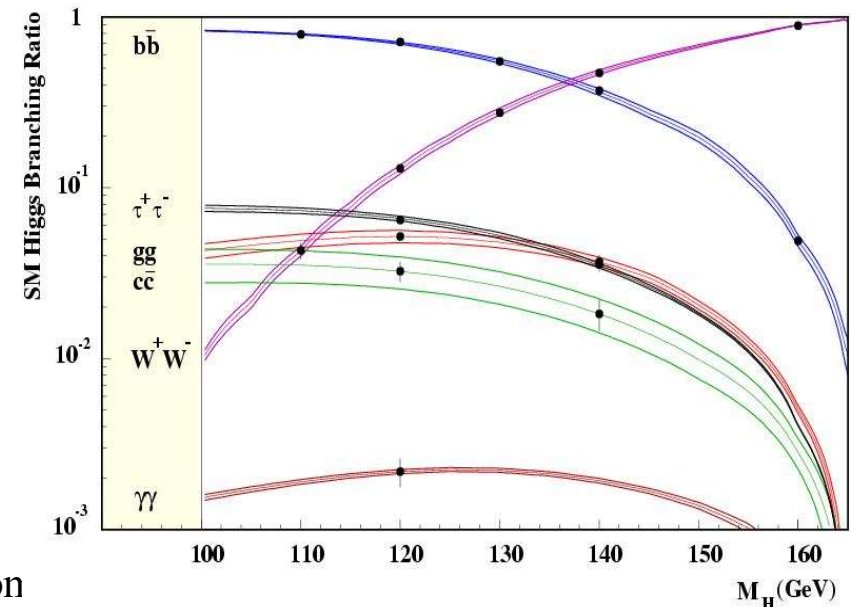
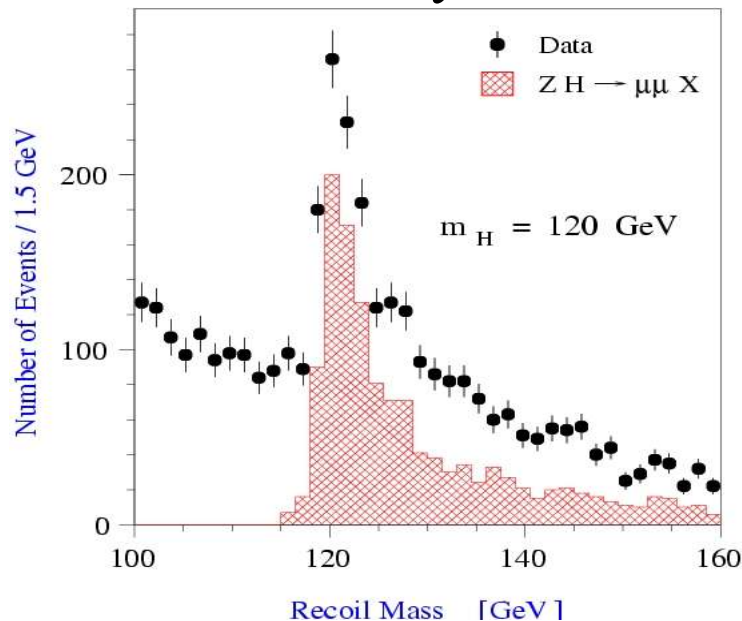
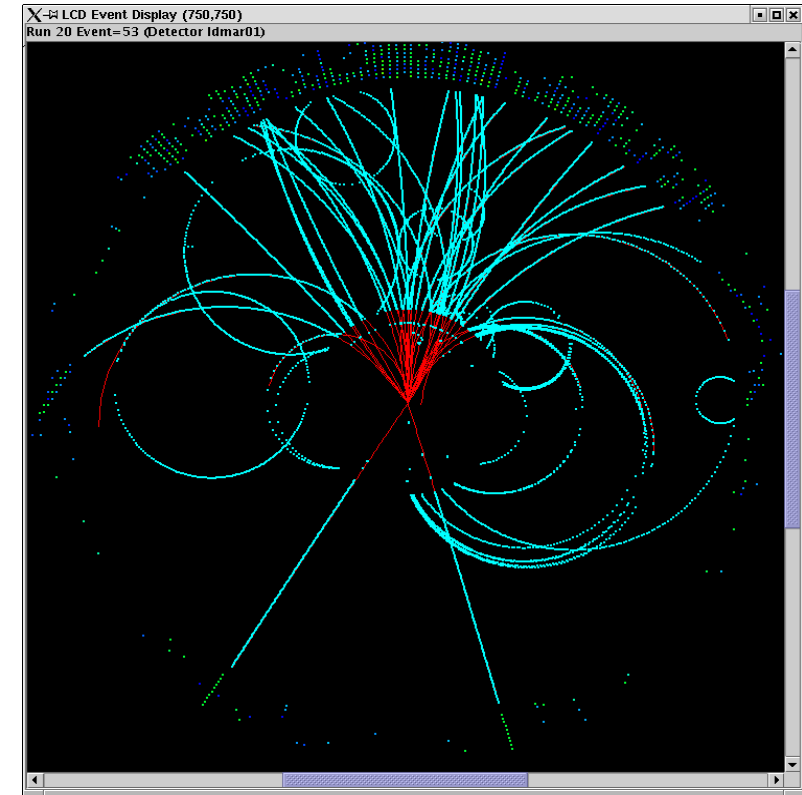
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Linear Collider Higgs Physics

Use Higgstrahlung process $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$ with Z decaying into leptons to measure / confirm Higgs mass from LHC, and to determine branching ratios precisely.

N.B. Also, need to calibrate Higgs multi-jet reconstruction efficiency.



Momentum Resolution

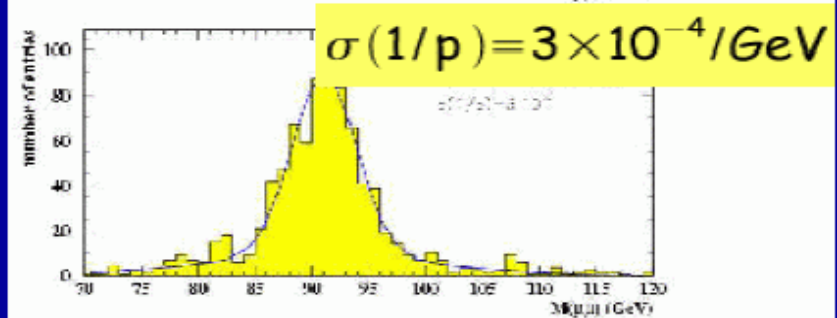
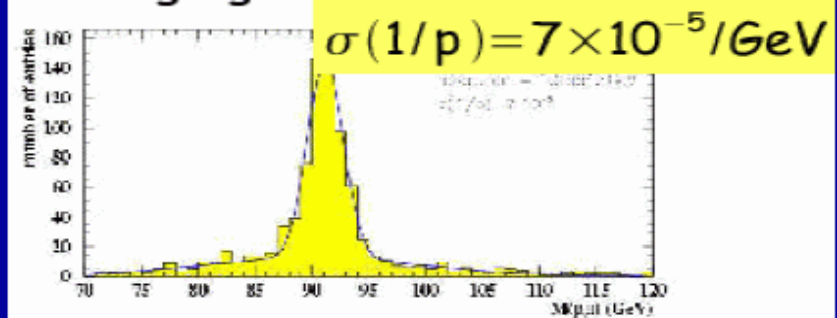
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow H^0 Z^0, Z^0 \rightarrow l^+l^-$$

$$\text{AT } \sqrt{s}=0.5 \text{ TEV}$$

✧ Higgstrahlung reaction offers most stringent requirements on momentum resolution $\delta(1/p)$;

✧ other reactions, such as slepton mass reconstruction from momentum endpoints in $\tilde{l}\tilde{l}$ are limited by beamstrahlung;

Higgs recoil Signal for
changing tracker resolutions

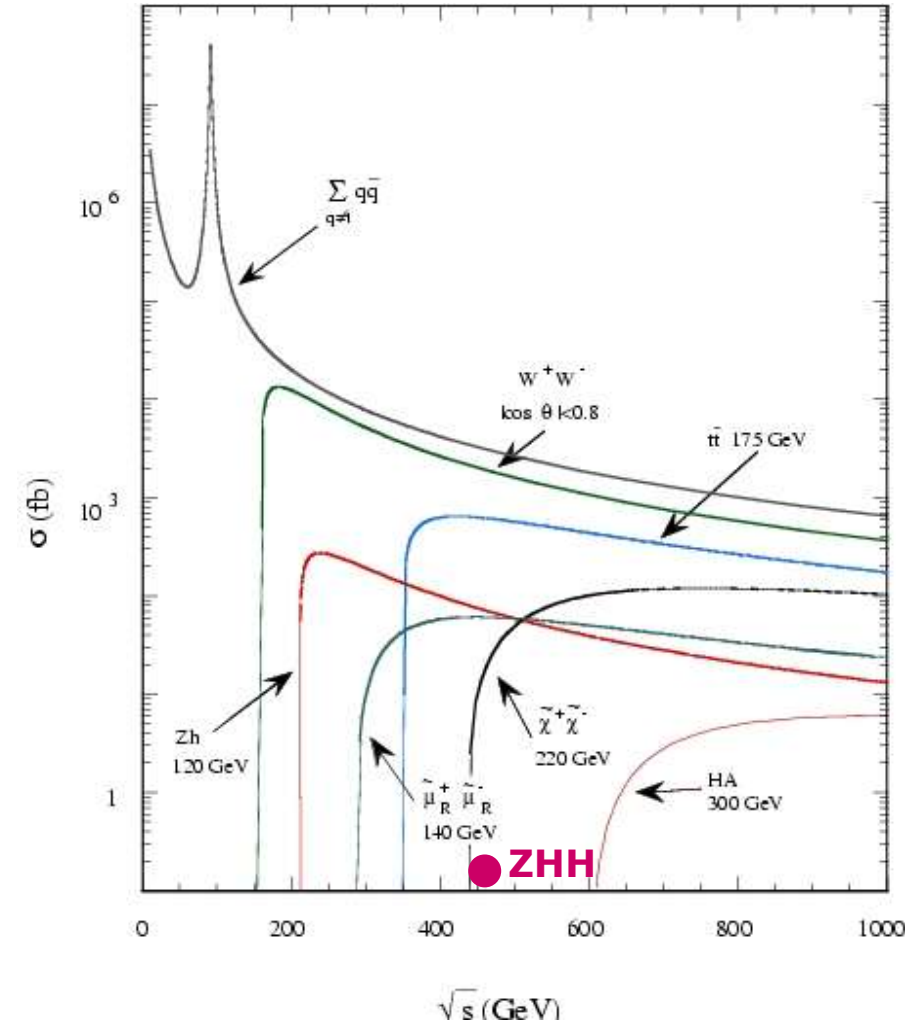
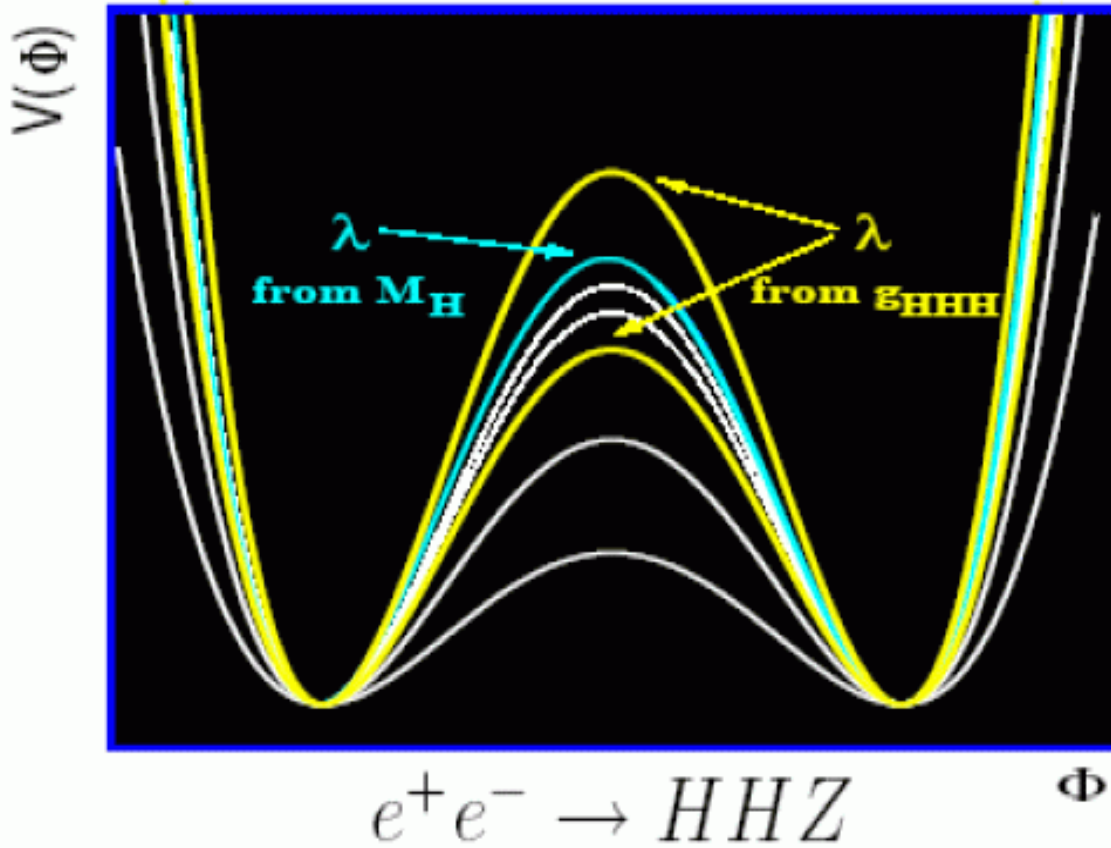


We'd like to use the “Double Higgstrahlung” process

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow ZHH \rightarrow 6 \text{ jets}$$

to measure Higgs self-coupling and to improve our understanding of the higgs potential.

Cross sections

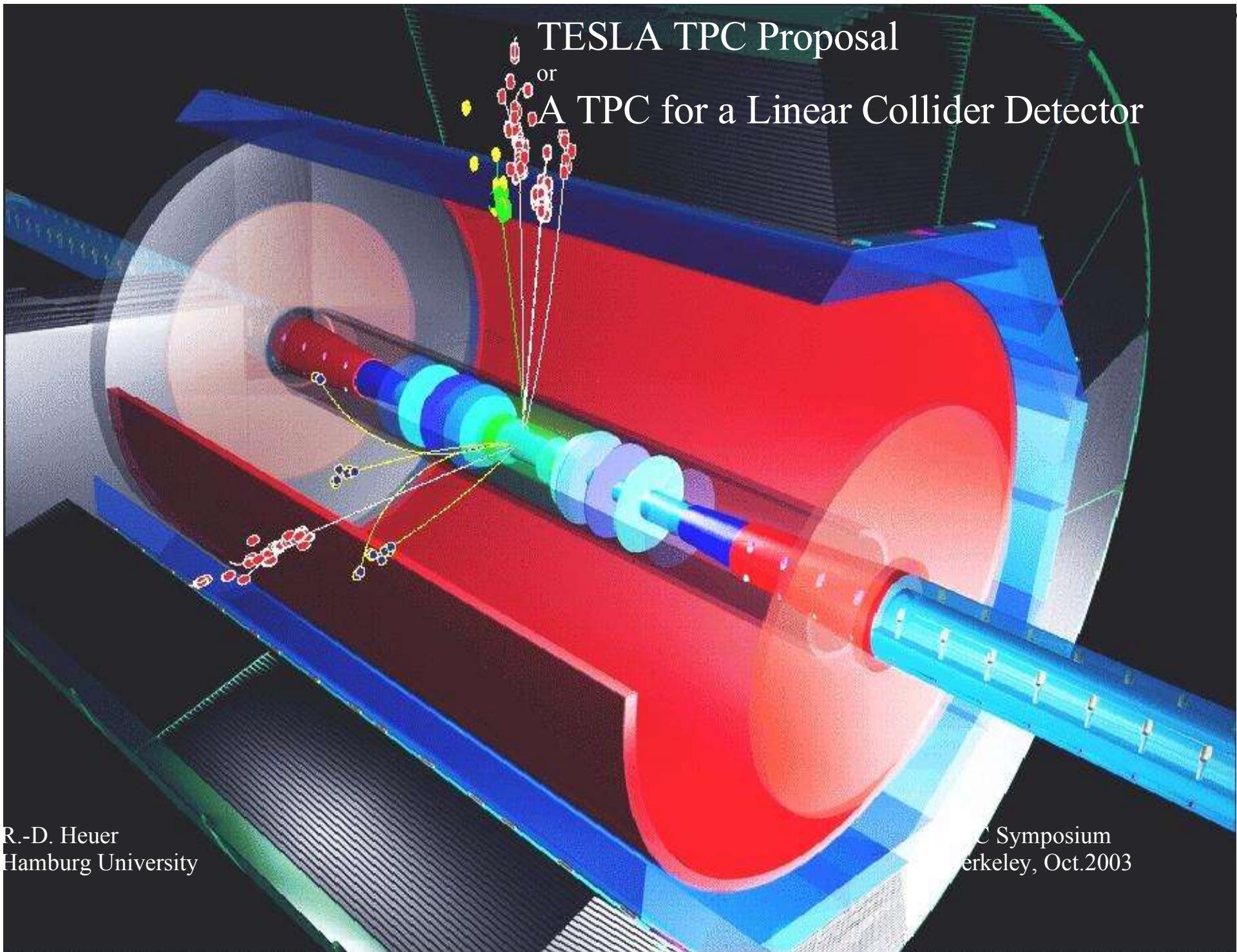


N.B. Need jet reconstruction resolution to be better than 30%/sqrt(E) in multi-jet events.

TESLA TPC Proposal

or

A TPC for a Linear Collider Detector

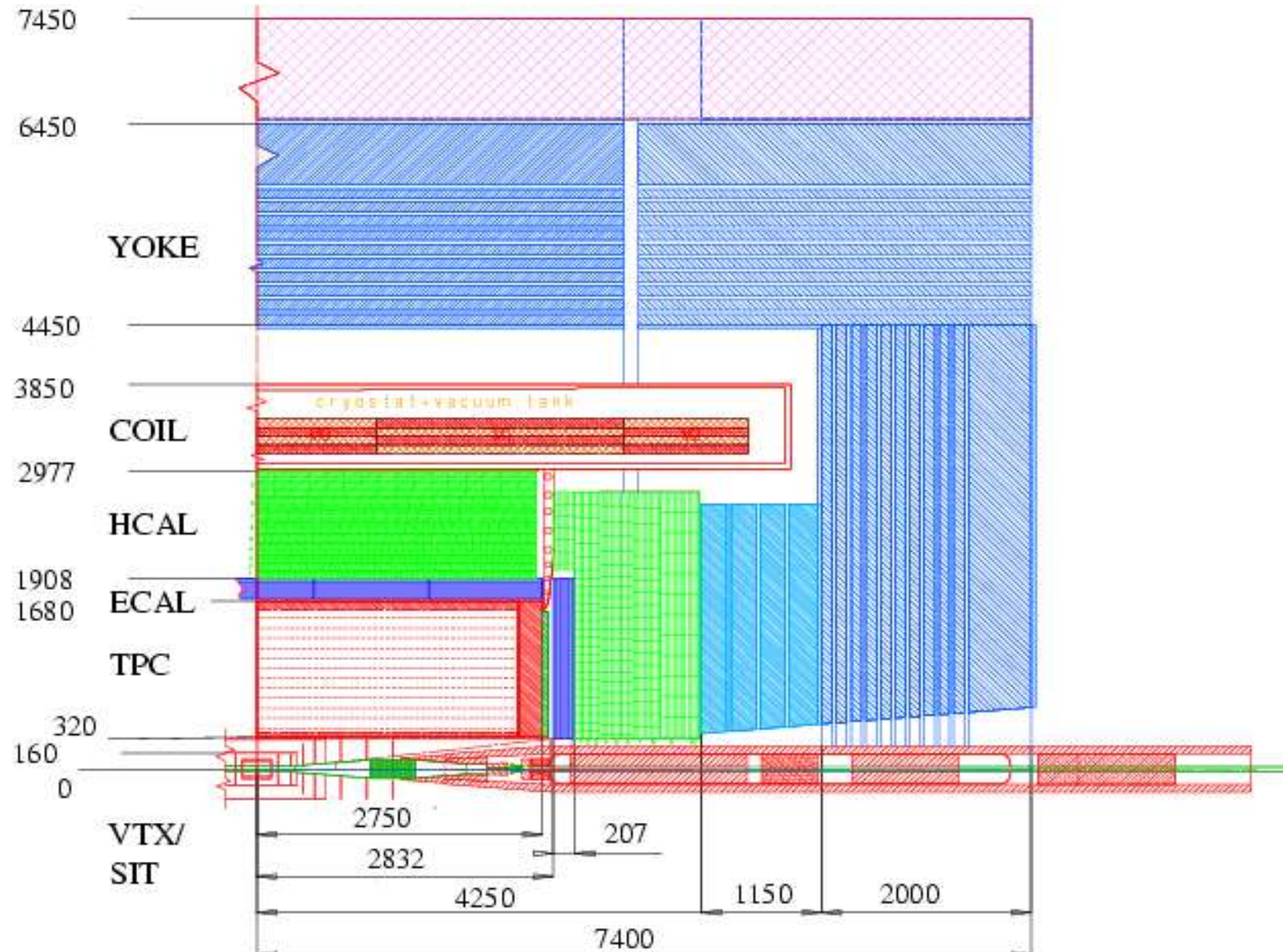


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Berkeley, Oct.2003

ILC Gaseous TPC Detector Model

It might look somethink like



TPC studies of e^+e^- collisions

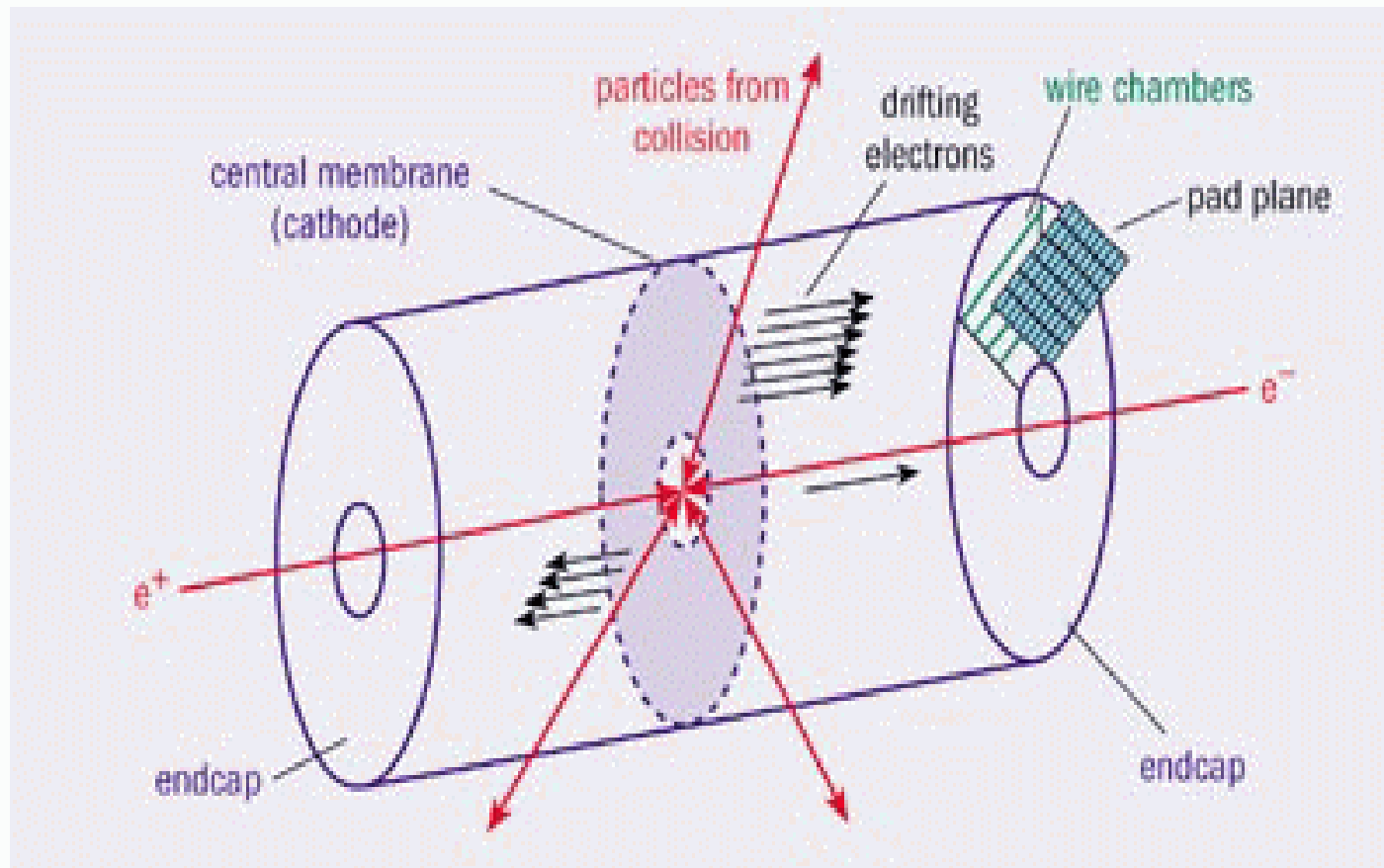
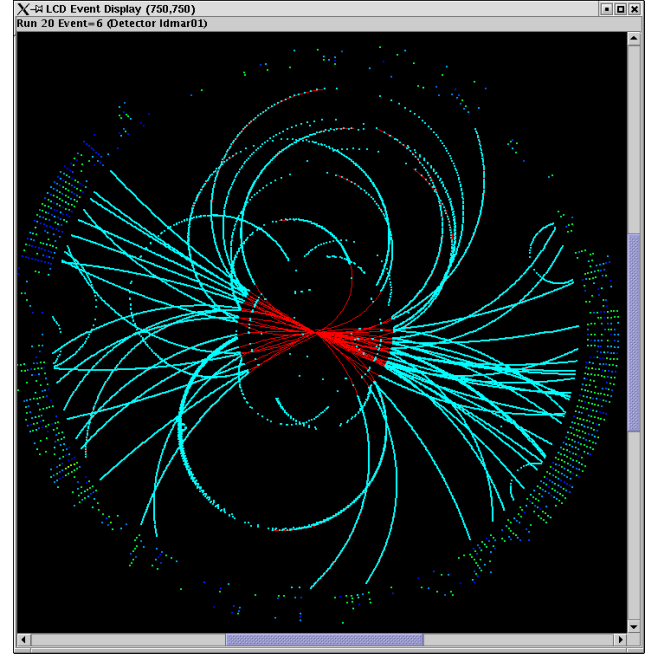
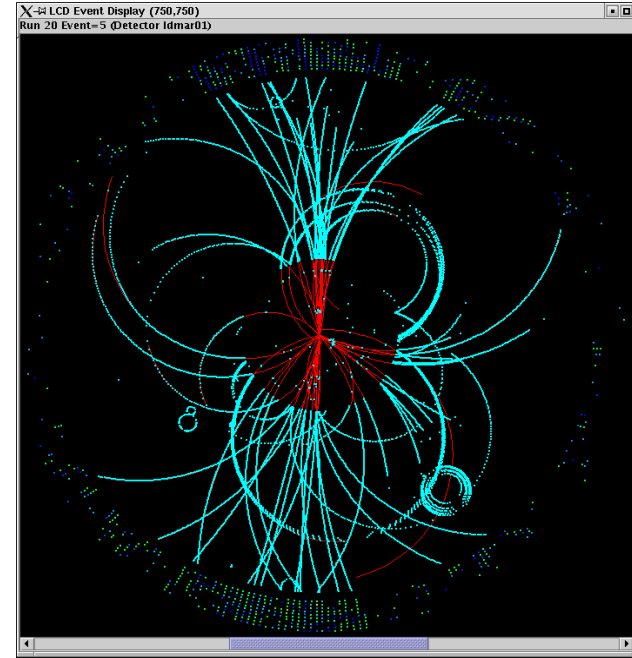
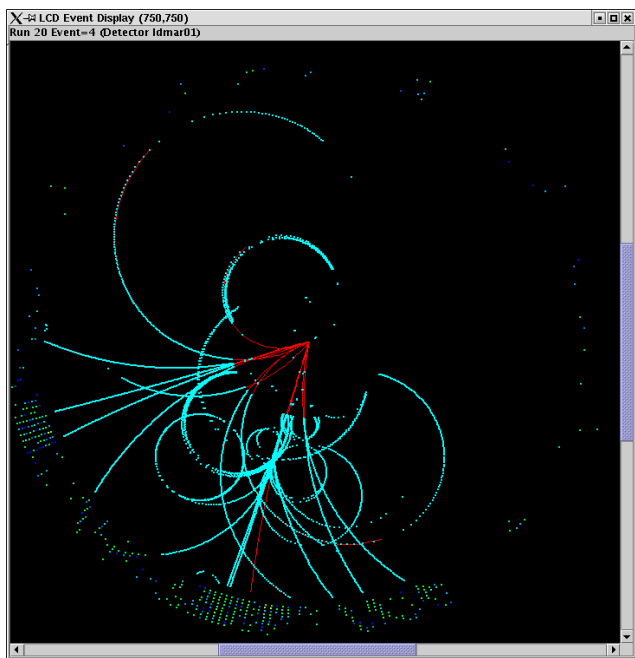
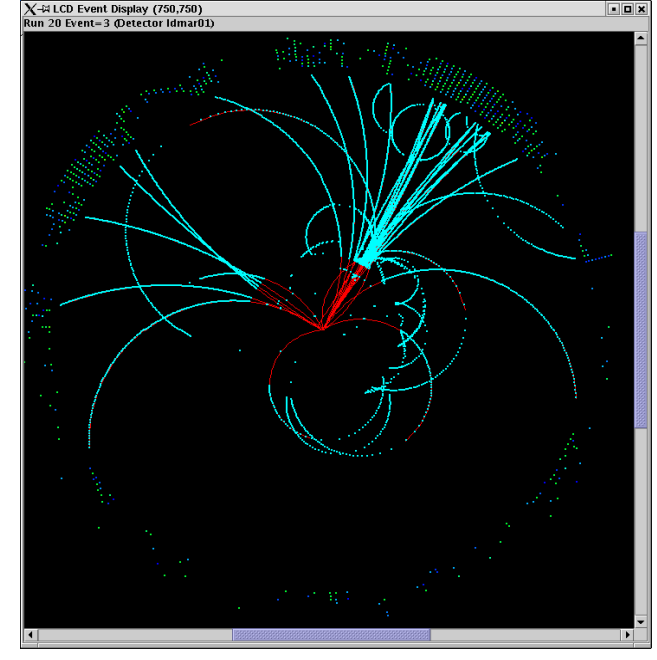
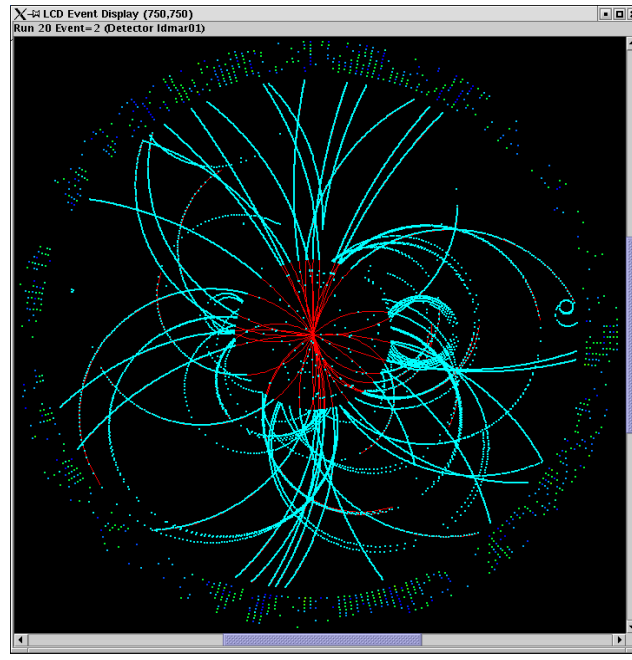
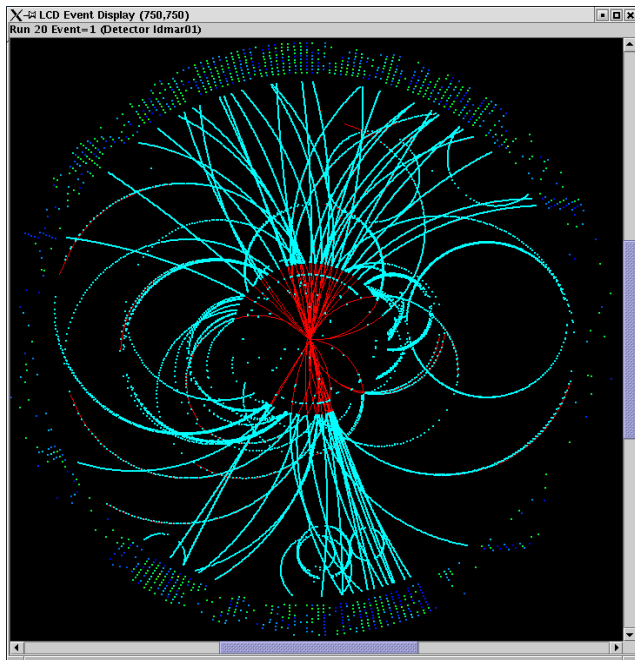


Fig. 2. A schematic view of the PEP-4 TPC showing the drift volume (dark blue), wire chambers (green) and pads (light blue).

From 2004 CERN Courier article by
Spencer Klein, LBNL

Multijet Higgsstrahlung events

e.g. $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z + \text{Higgs} \rightarrow 2\text{-}4 \text{ jets}$



Linear Collider Physics & Detector Studies

World Wide Study (WWS) organization

- Form international study groups to address global physics and detector design issues.
- Begin to focus on two detector concepts:

Large Gaseous Detector models *

“medium” TESLA TDR design $B = 4\text{T}$, $R_{\text{TPC}} = 1.7 \text{ m}$

“large” American model $B = 3\text{T}$, $R_{\text{TPC}} = 1.9 \text{ m}$

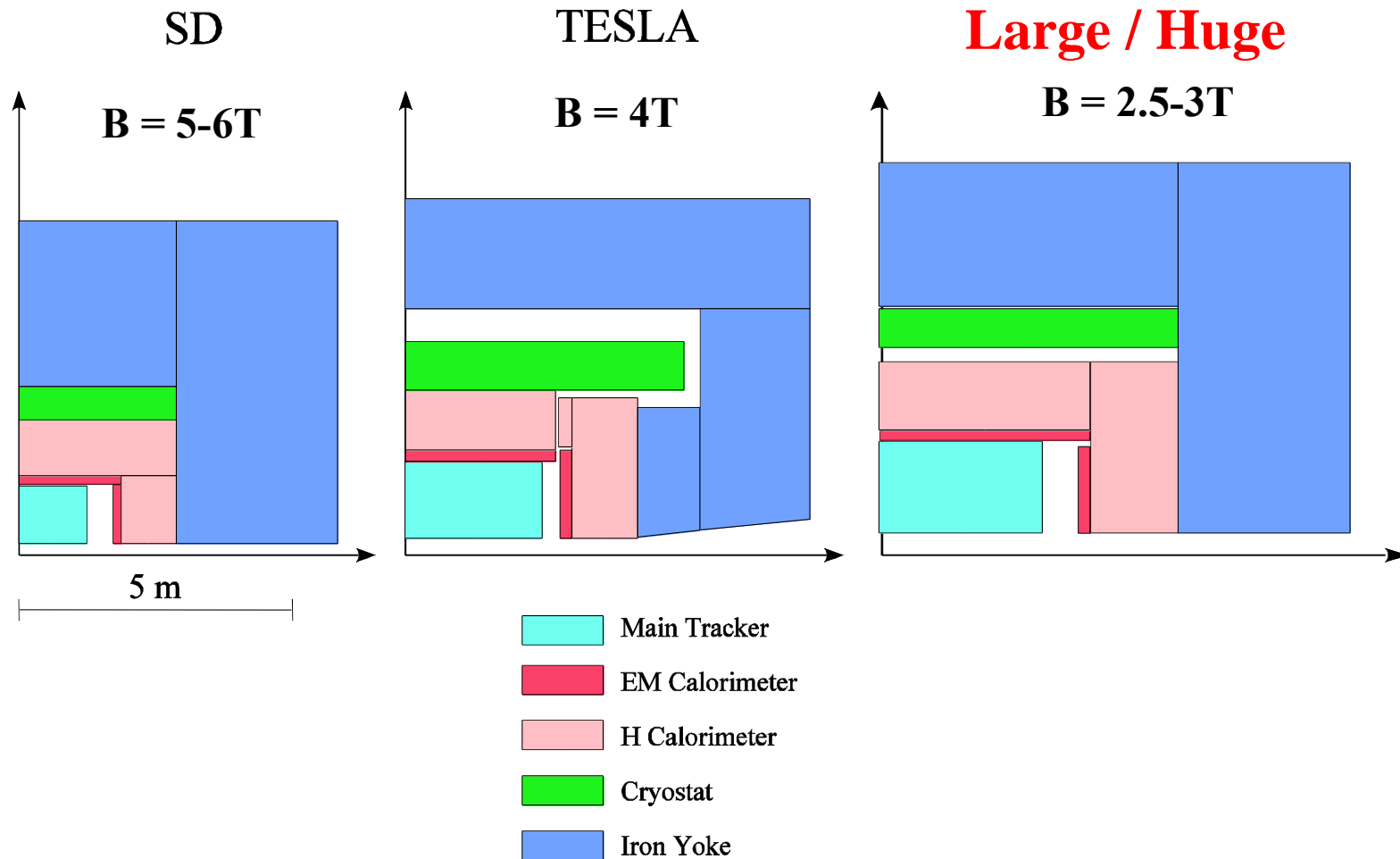
“huge” Asian model $B = 2.5\text{-}3\text{T}$, $R_{\text{TPC}} = 2.1 \text{ m}$

A Silicon-based Detector model

“small” $B = 5\text{-}6\text{T}$, $R_{\text{ECal}} = 1.5 \text{ m}$

* **Note:** Significant differences in Calorimeter options, see below.

General view of “Large/Huge” detector size



from Sachio Komamiya

Linear Collider Detector Studies

- Large TPC Reference Detector
 - Design parameters
 - Medium sized TESLA TPC reference model
 - Background studies
 - Multijet event reconstruction studies
 - LC-TPC R&D
- Large Detector Calorimeter Models
 - Present American Large “Compensating” model
 - Large Thin W-Si ECal model
 - Hybrid Calorimeter models

American Large Detector Design

Large reference tracking detector

Large TPC Chamber ~ size of STAR TPC
 dimensions dia. 2 m, half-length 2.5 m
 pad layout 144-256 pad rows pads partout
 readout options: Wire or GEM or Micromegas

Electronics

Next generation fully integrated over 1M channels

Magnet

ECal and HCal inside. 3 T

Reconstruction **3D Pattern Recognition**

LCD Java Framework
 modular design

TPC Simulation

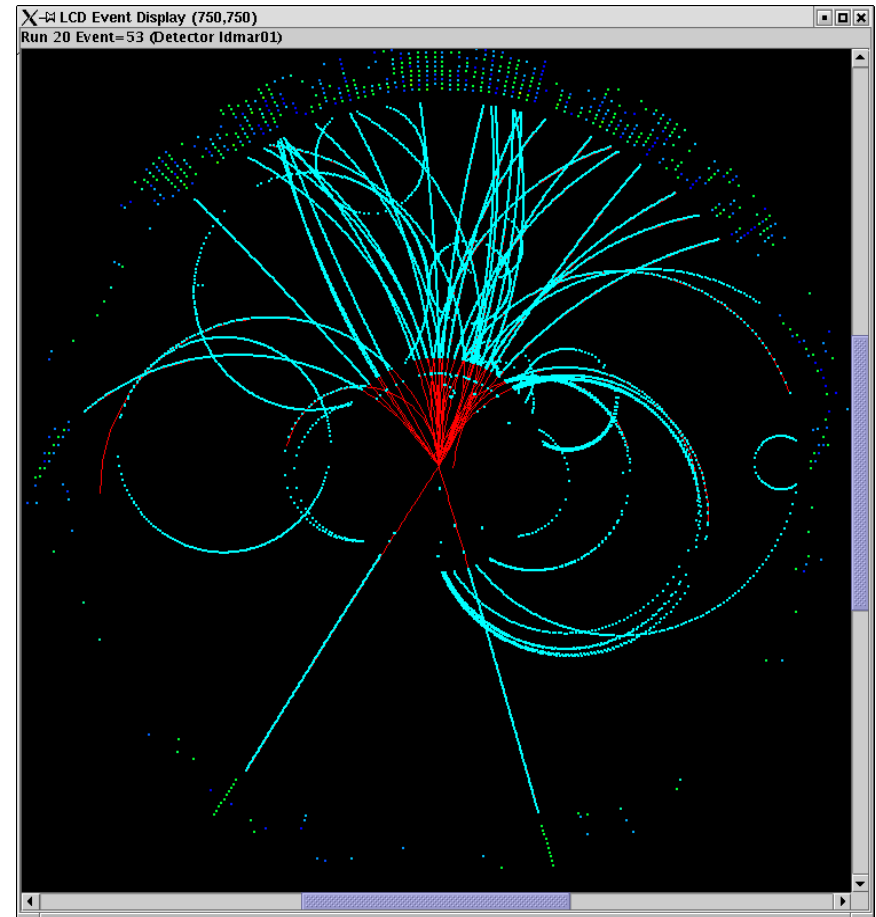
smear space points with 100-140 μm resolution
 no-detector effects

Tracking efficiency ~ 99% already

Detailed response simulation

being developed along with R&D studies.

Z($\mu\mu$) + H(jets) event



Hits: TPC points (cyan), EM Cal hits (blue)
 Tracks (red), Clusters (green)

-- Overall momentum resolution

One can use **LCDTRK** to calculate the expected momentum resolution for different detector designs including intermediate and forward tracking.

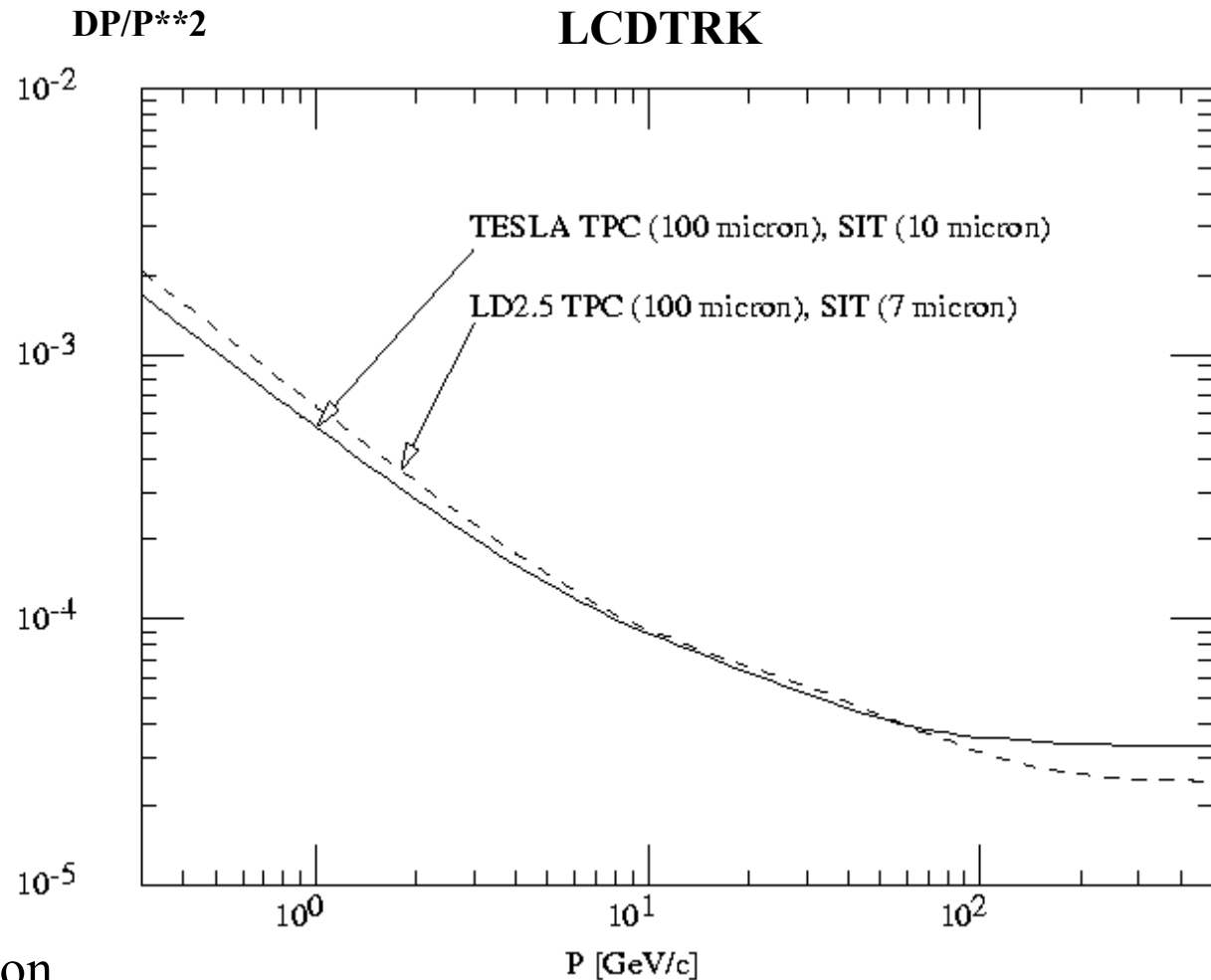
Here is a comparison of a modified version of the American LD detector to the TESLA TPC performance.

Both TPC's are taken to have the same pad size and point resolution.

The TESLA TPC has better low momentum resolution since its inner radius is smaller.

The assumed intermediate tracker resolutions are taken from the corresponding studies resulting in a difference at high momenta.

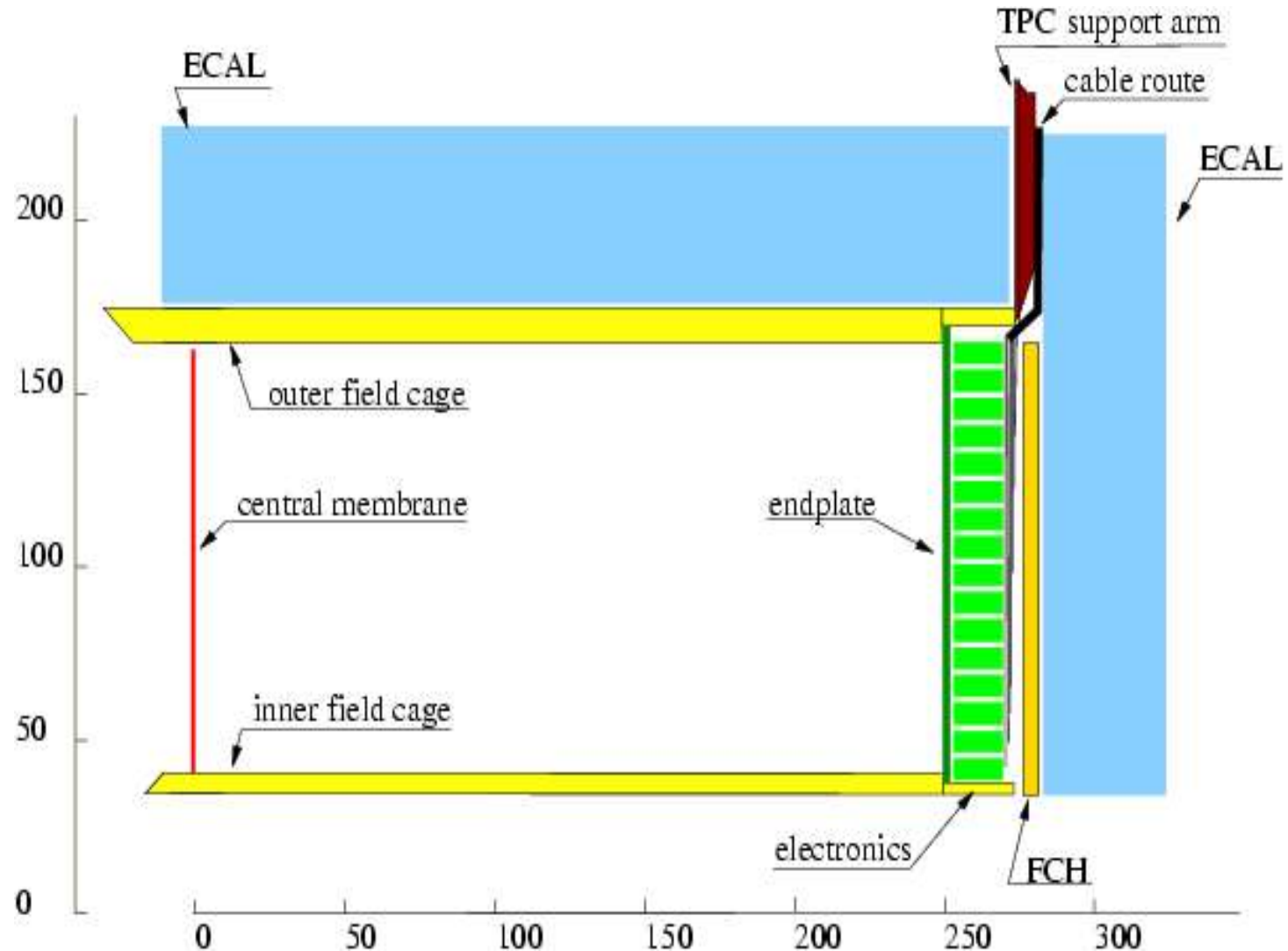
There should be no difference in the assumed SIT resolution. The comparison indicates how the SIT could improve overall momentum resolution.



Comparison of TESLA TPC and updated American Large Detector (LD2.5) momentum resolution.

ILC Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

It will look something like



TPC Tracker Design and R&D

Current TPC design and R&D focus is on gas choice and readout technology. Hope to begin studying front-end electronics (FEE) designs soon.

Gas options:

Ar CH₄

Ar CO₂ CH₄

Ar CF₄

...

Readout pad plane

Gating device ??

MPGD

GEM

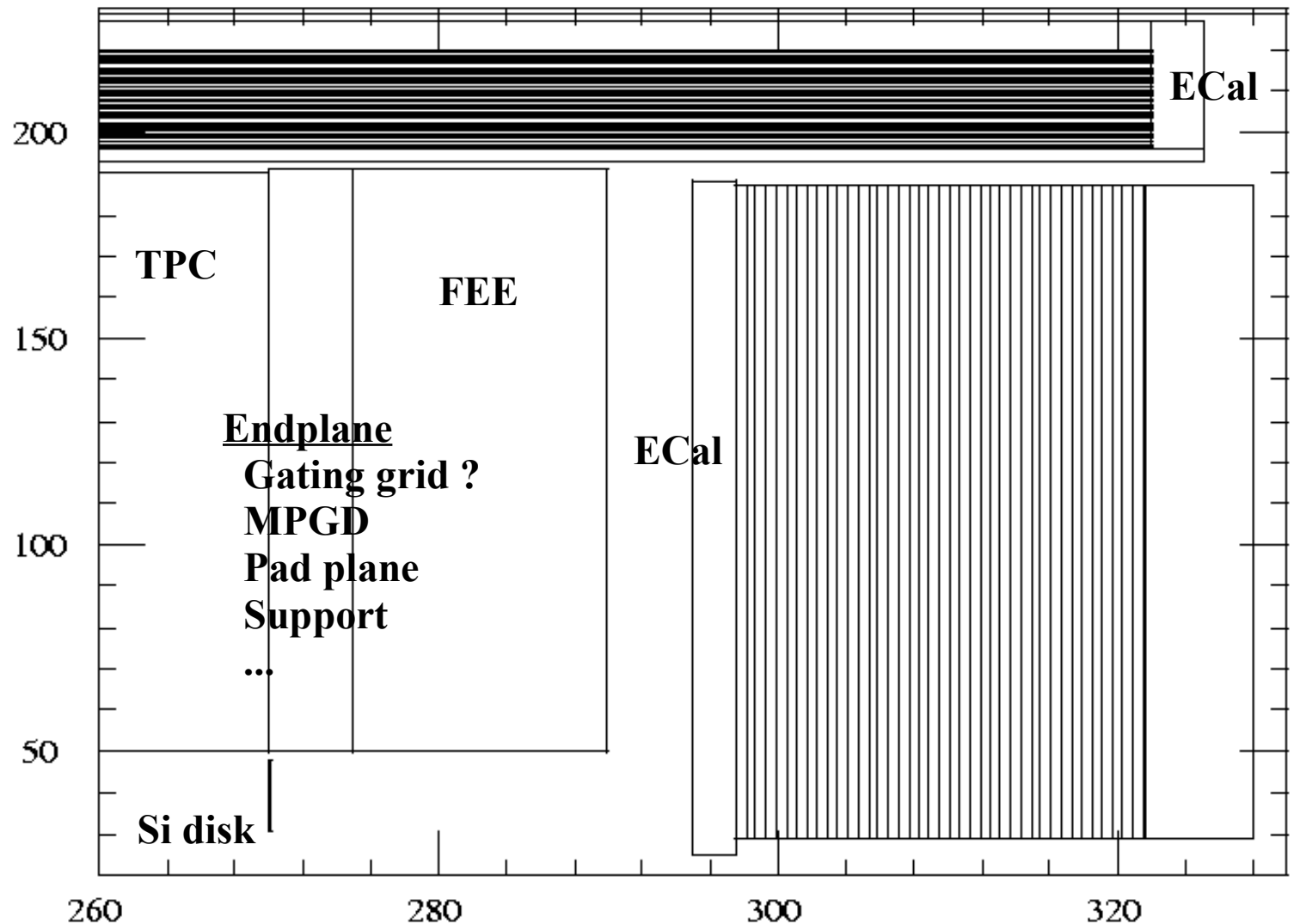
Micromegas

Pads partout

Electronics

Very low noise

Full integration ?

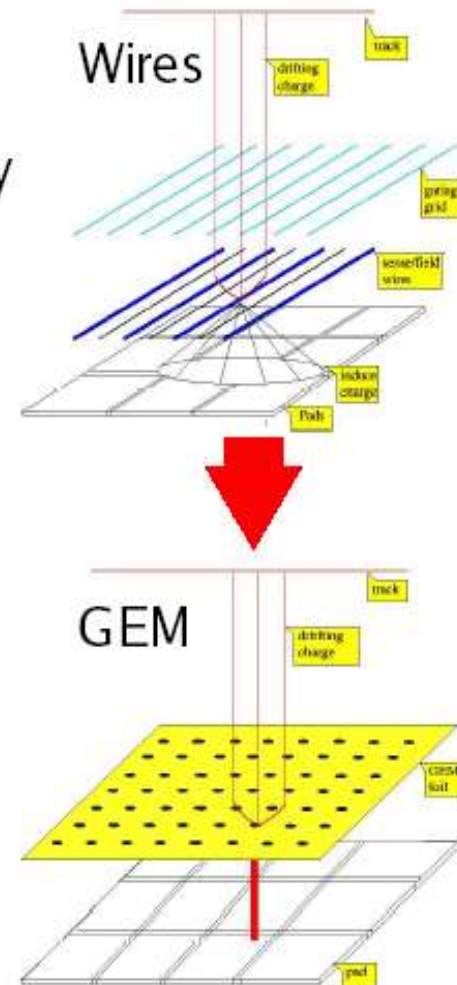


New Gas Amplification Systems

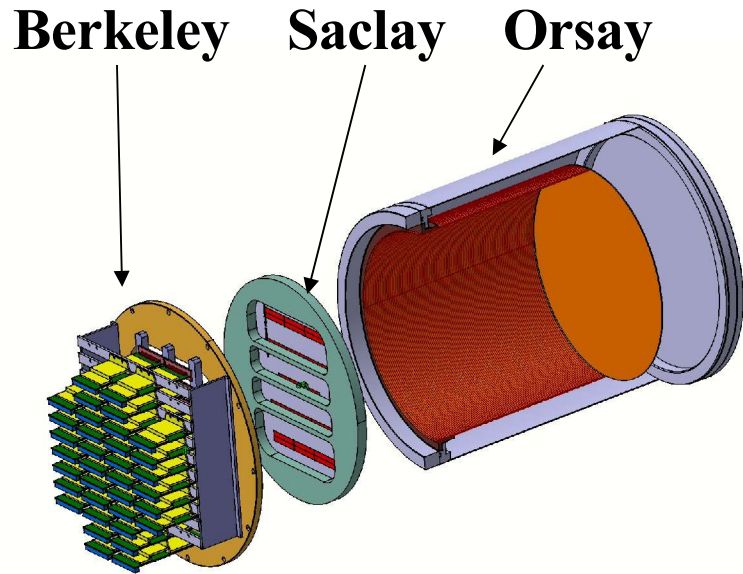
Replace conventional MWPC system (wires) by Micro Pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD):

Most promising examples:

- **Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM)** (F. Sauli, 1997)
- **Micromegas** (Y. Giomataris *et. al.*, 1996)

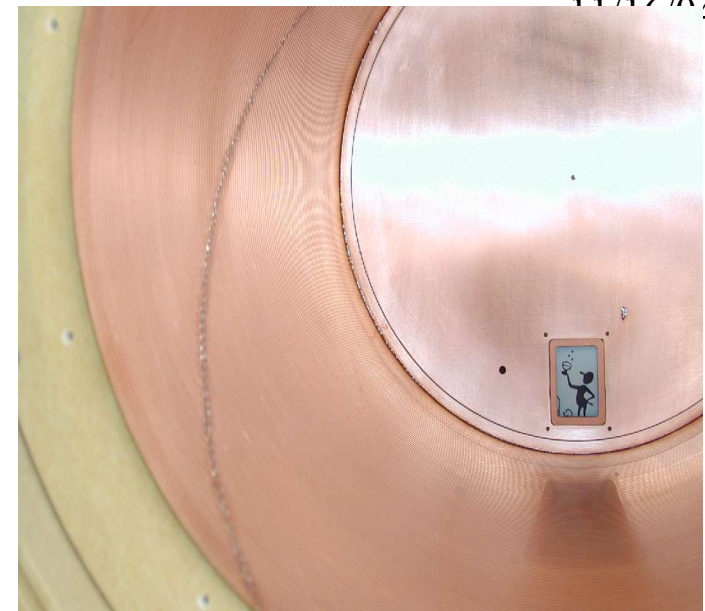


Chamber design and pad layout

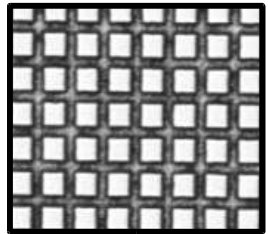


Chamber

diameter 50 cm
length 50 cm

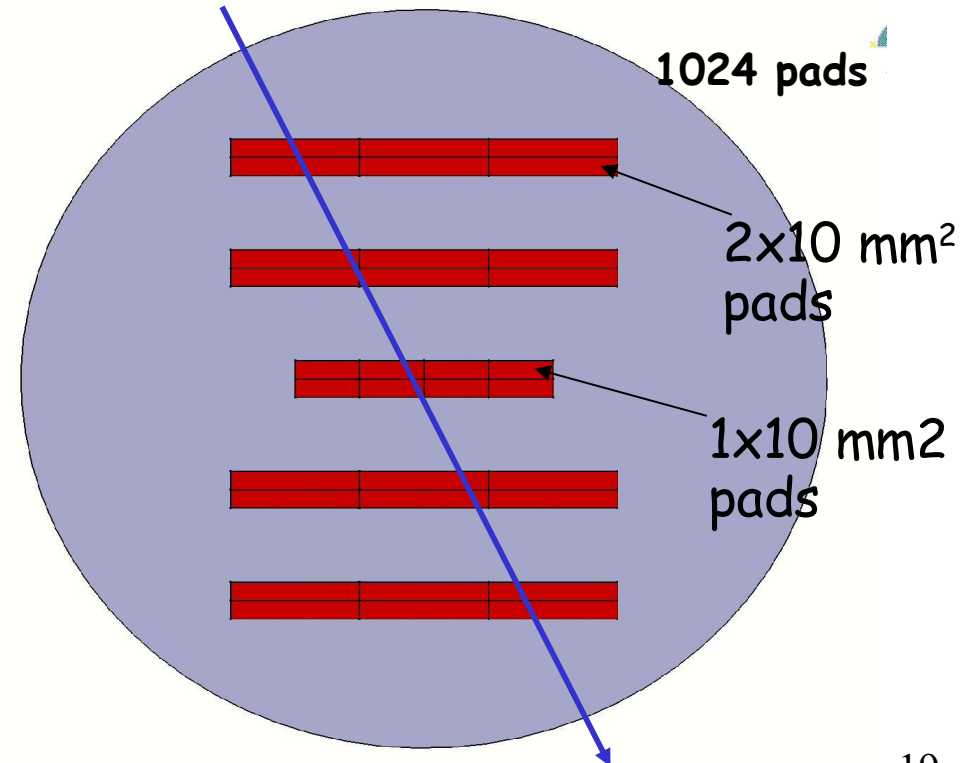
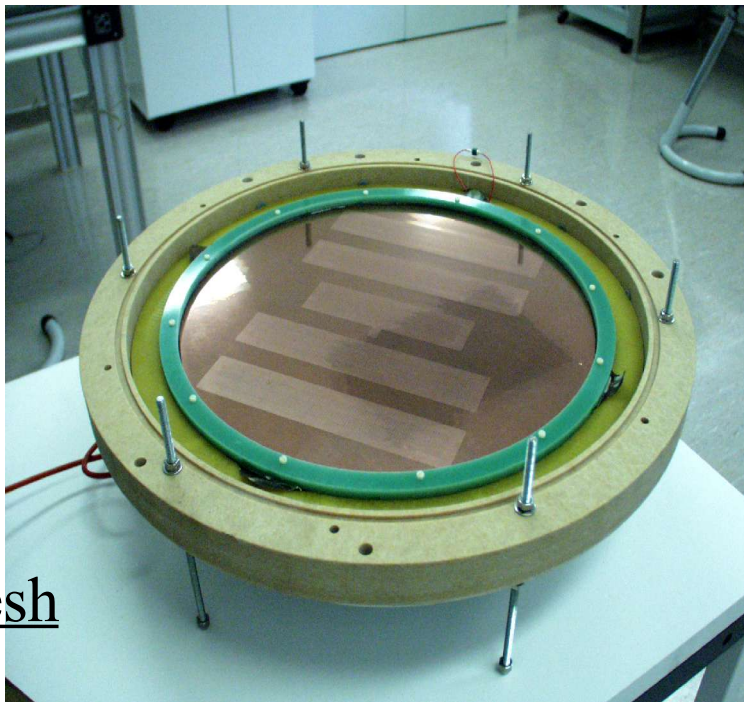


Readout anode pad plane



50 μm pitch
50 μm gap

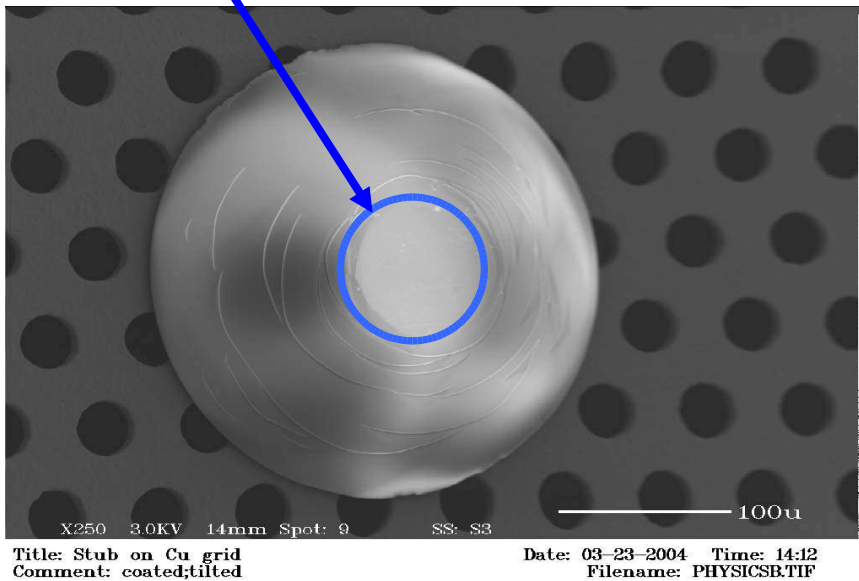
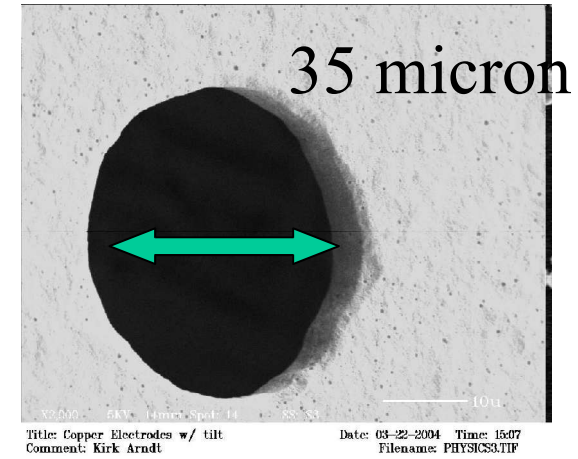
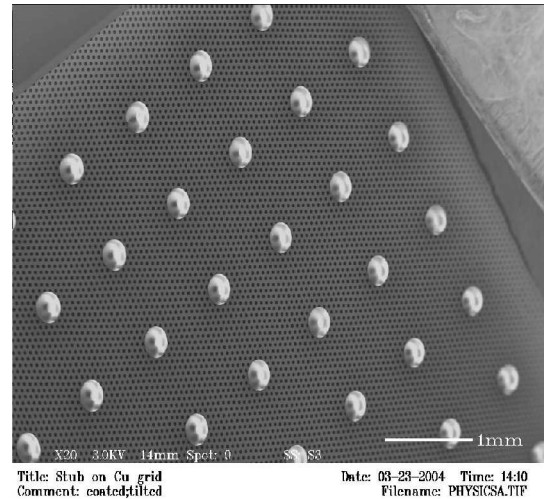
Copper Mesh



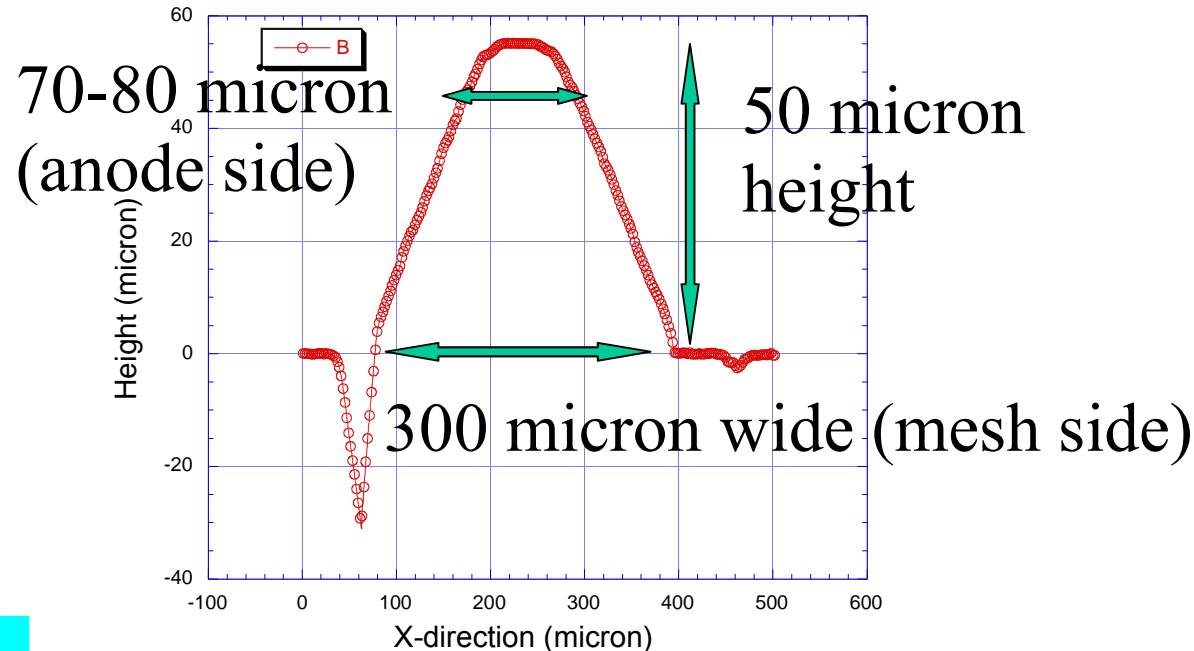
1st Mass Production of Micromegas

1. Industrially mass produced MICROMEAS using 3M's FLEX circuit technology
2. Conical pillars (1 mm pitch) to create a 50 mm gap.

The flat area that has contact with the anode board



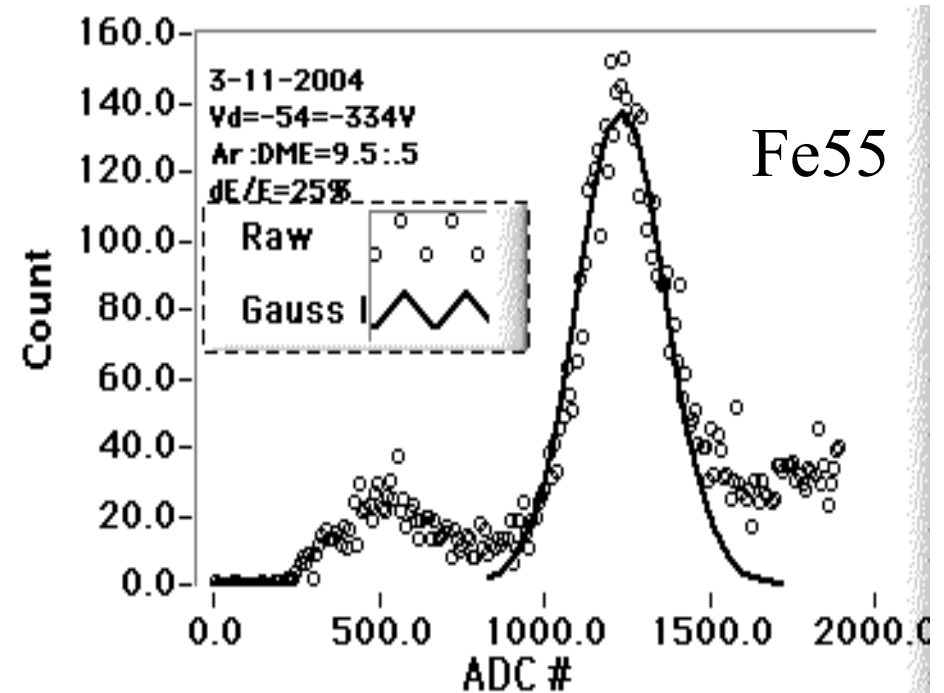
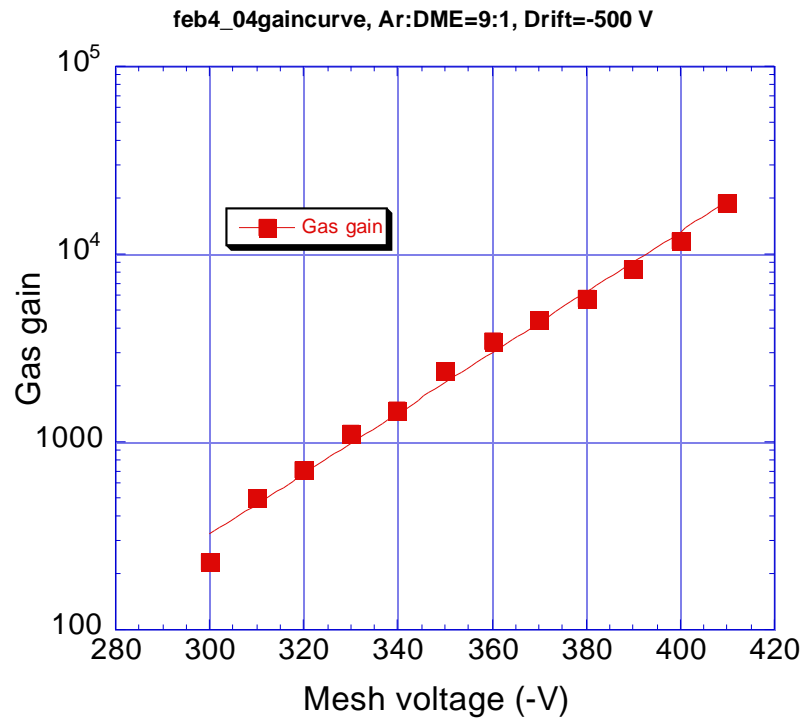
Pillar cross section profile



Presented at ALCPG SLAC Jan '04

1st Mass Production of Micromegas

First Results
Ar:DME 9:1



Radiation hardness under study

25% energy resolution

Presented at ALCPG Victoria July '04

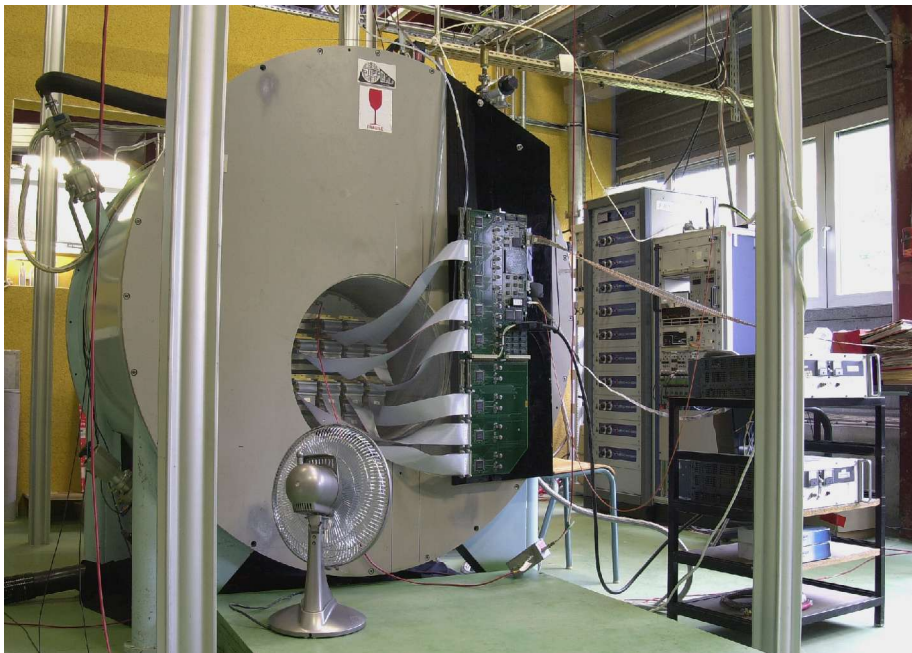
Cosmic ray test stand

Superconducting magnet

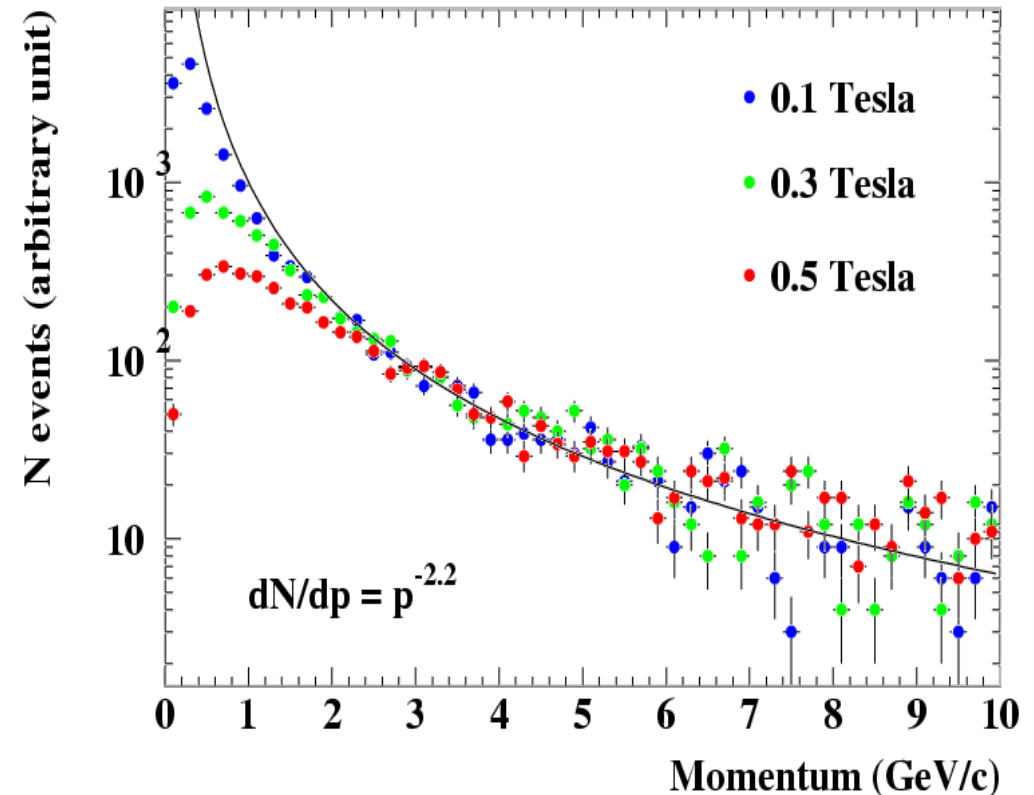
Data runs at

0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 1, 1.5 & 2 Tesla

Trigger: 2-3 fold scintillator
efficiency 10 – 50 %
(lower at high fields)



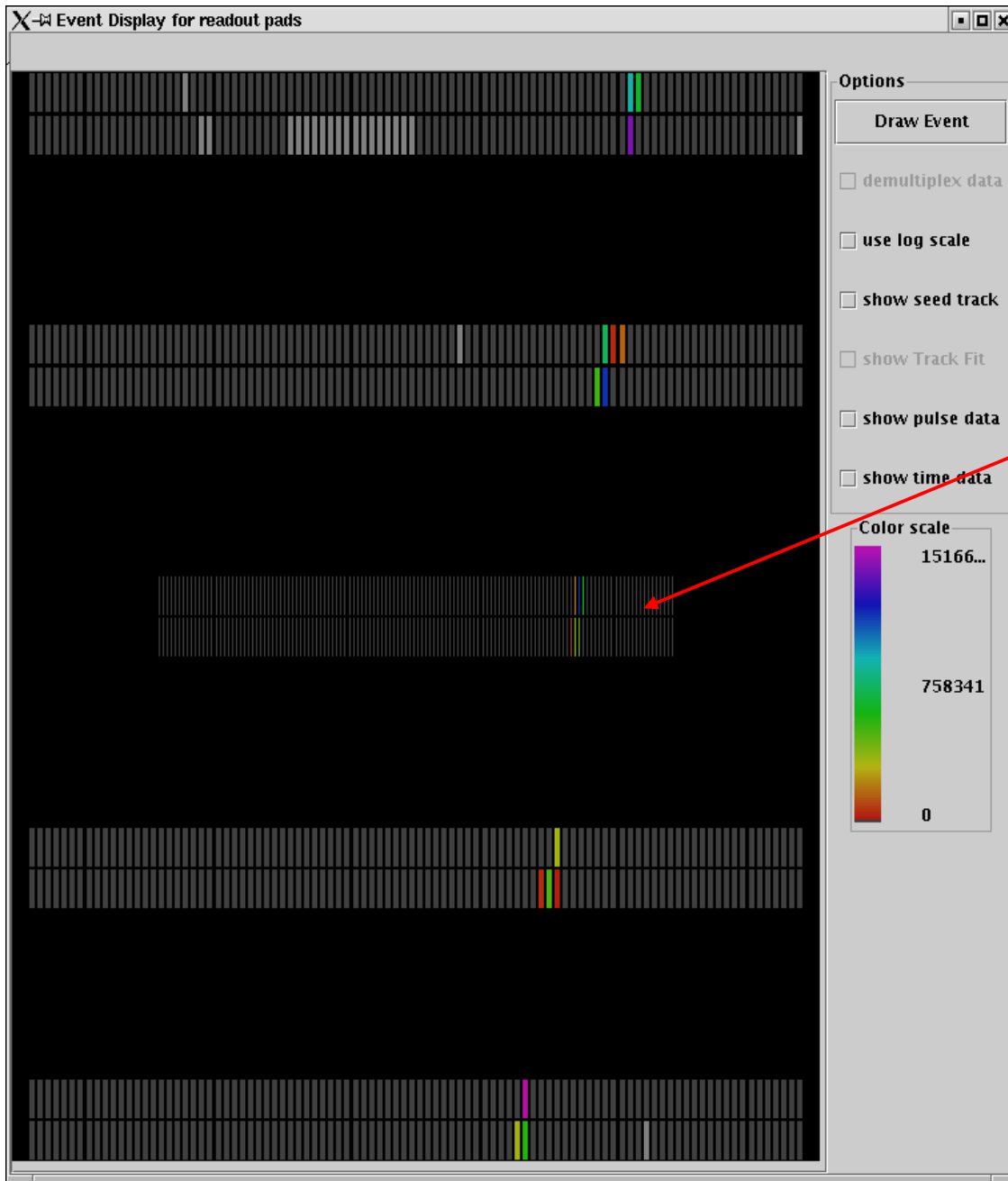
Momentum distribution in Ar + 5% Iso data



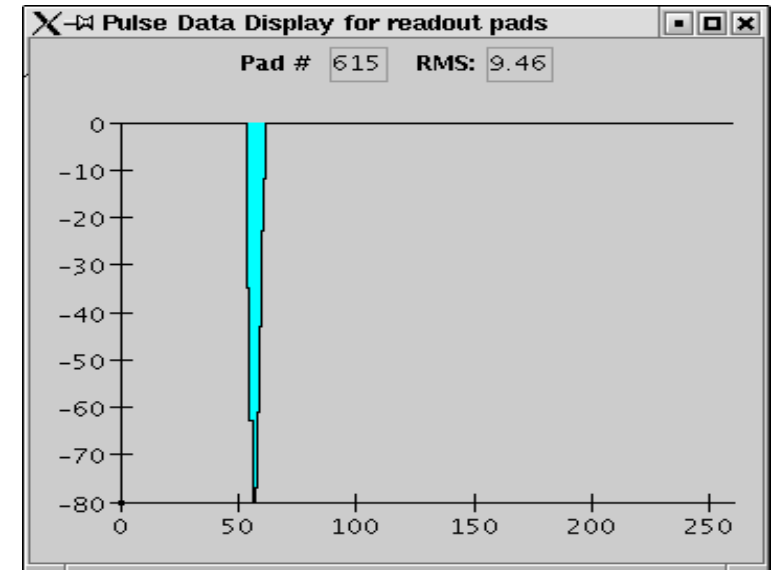
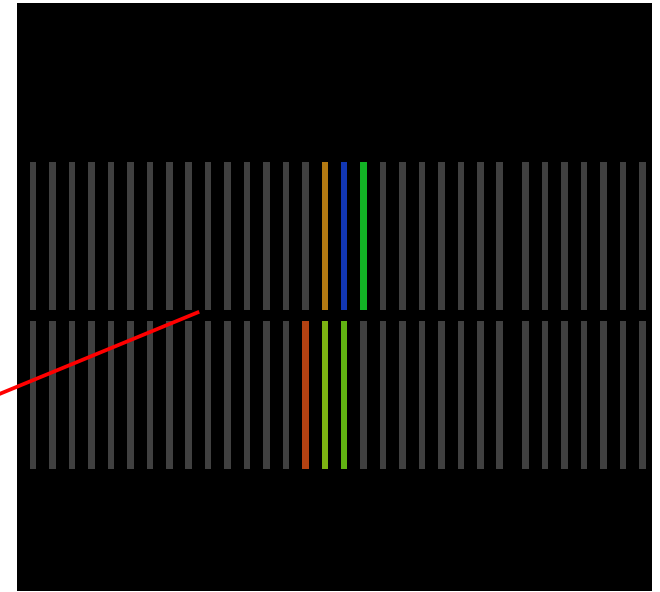
Data acquisition:

STAR FEE, VME readout w/
direct memory transfer
(no selection, formatting, ...)
overall improvement X20

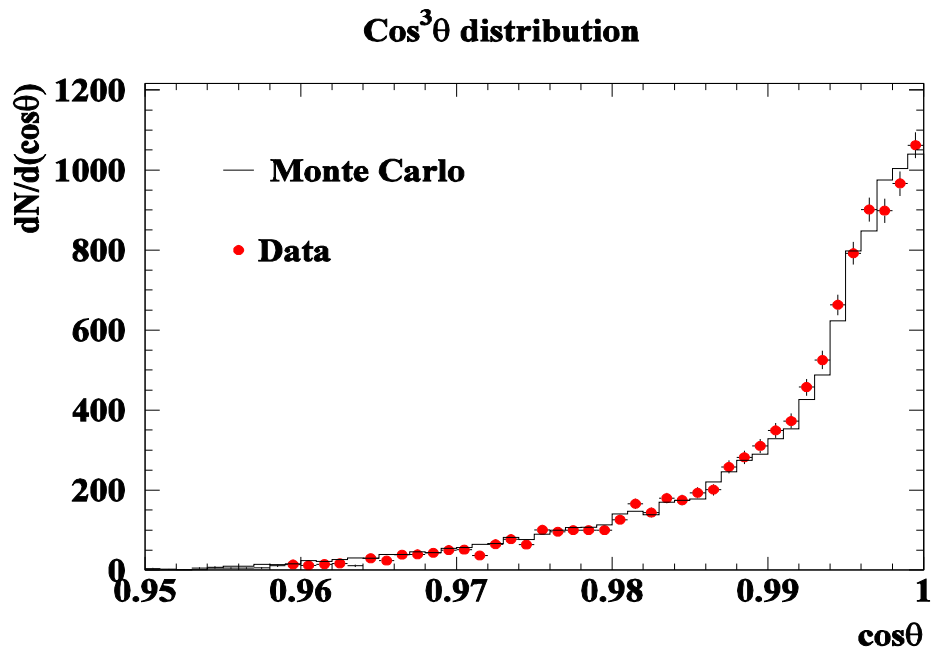
Online event display



Rows 4 & 5 1 X 10 mm²



Simulation and analysis by
Max. Chefdeville &
Paul Colas, Saclay.



Trigger simulation shows good understanding of angular distribution.

LC-TPC gas choices

Gases:

Ar-CH₄ e.g. P10 – 90:10 %

Standard TPC gas, but some concern about neutron background sensitivity with hydrogen.

Ar-CO₂

Slow gas, requiring larger drift fields.

Tesla TDR Gas (Ar-CH₄-CO₂)

Chosen for the reference design to have less hydrogen at a lower drift field.

Ar-Isobutane e.g. 95:5 %

High gains. Reasonably fast but larger diffusion.

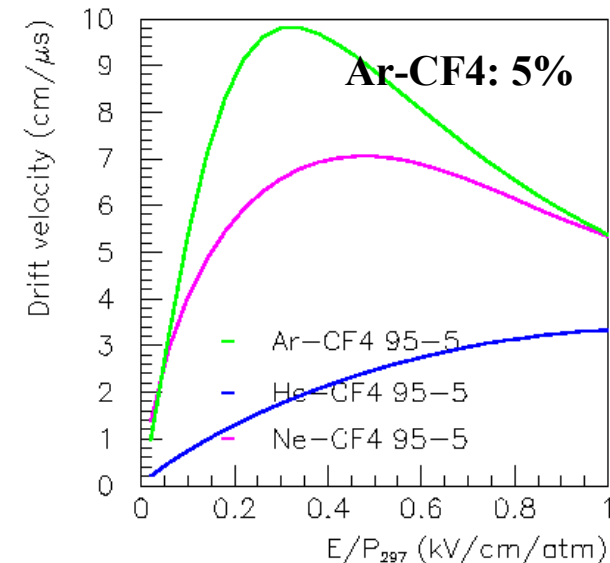
Ar-CF₄ e.g. 3-5 % CF₄

Very interesting! Very fast, no hydrogen.

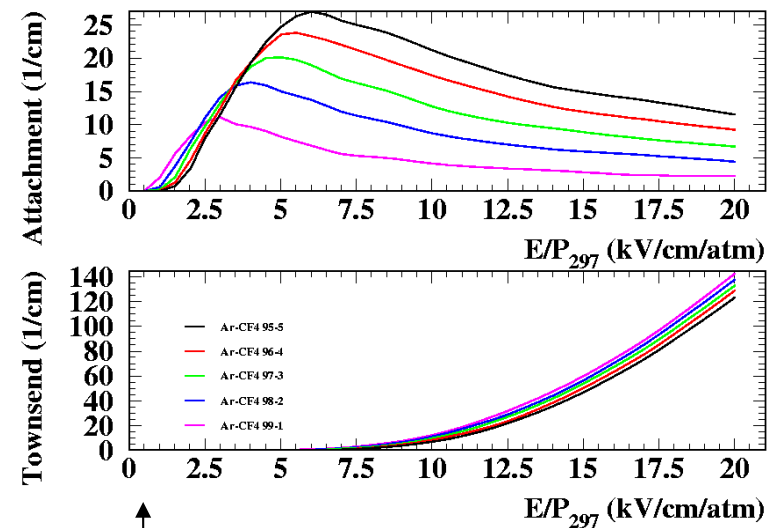
$\omega\tau \sim 20$ @ $B=4T$
transverse diffusion less than 200 μm for drifts up to 1m.

However, need to worry about electron attachment and chemical reactions, e.g. aging.

Drift velocity



Ar-CF₄ Attachment / Amplification



$E_d \sim 0.2 \text{ V/cm}$

Data taking and processing

We took data with 3 different gases:

Ar-CF4:3% $B = 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 1.0 \text{ T}$

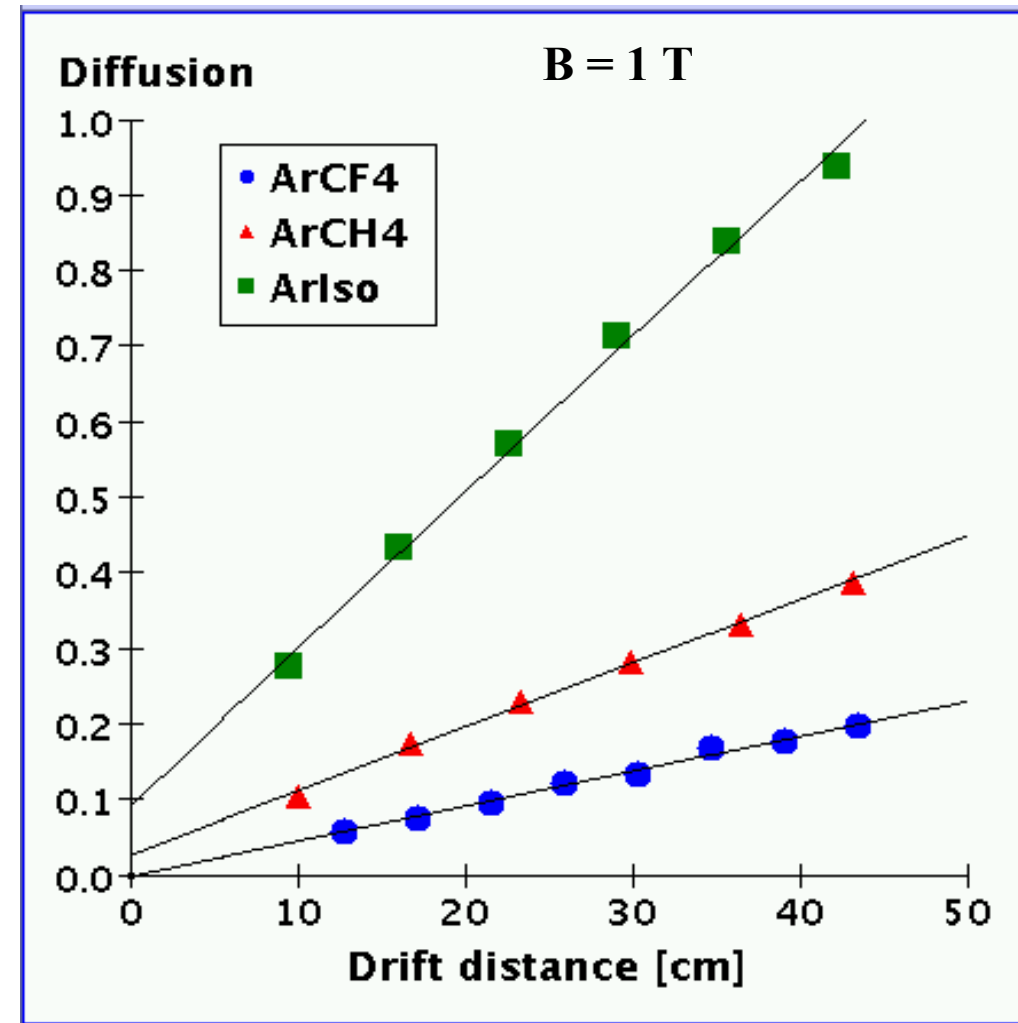
Ar-CH4:10% $B = 0.1, \dots, 1.0, 1.5, 2 \text{ T}$
(P10)

Ar-Isobutane: 5% $B = 0.1, \dots, 1.0, 1.5 \text{ T}$

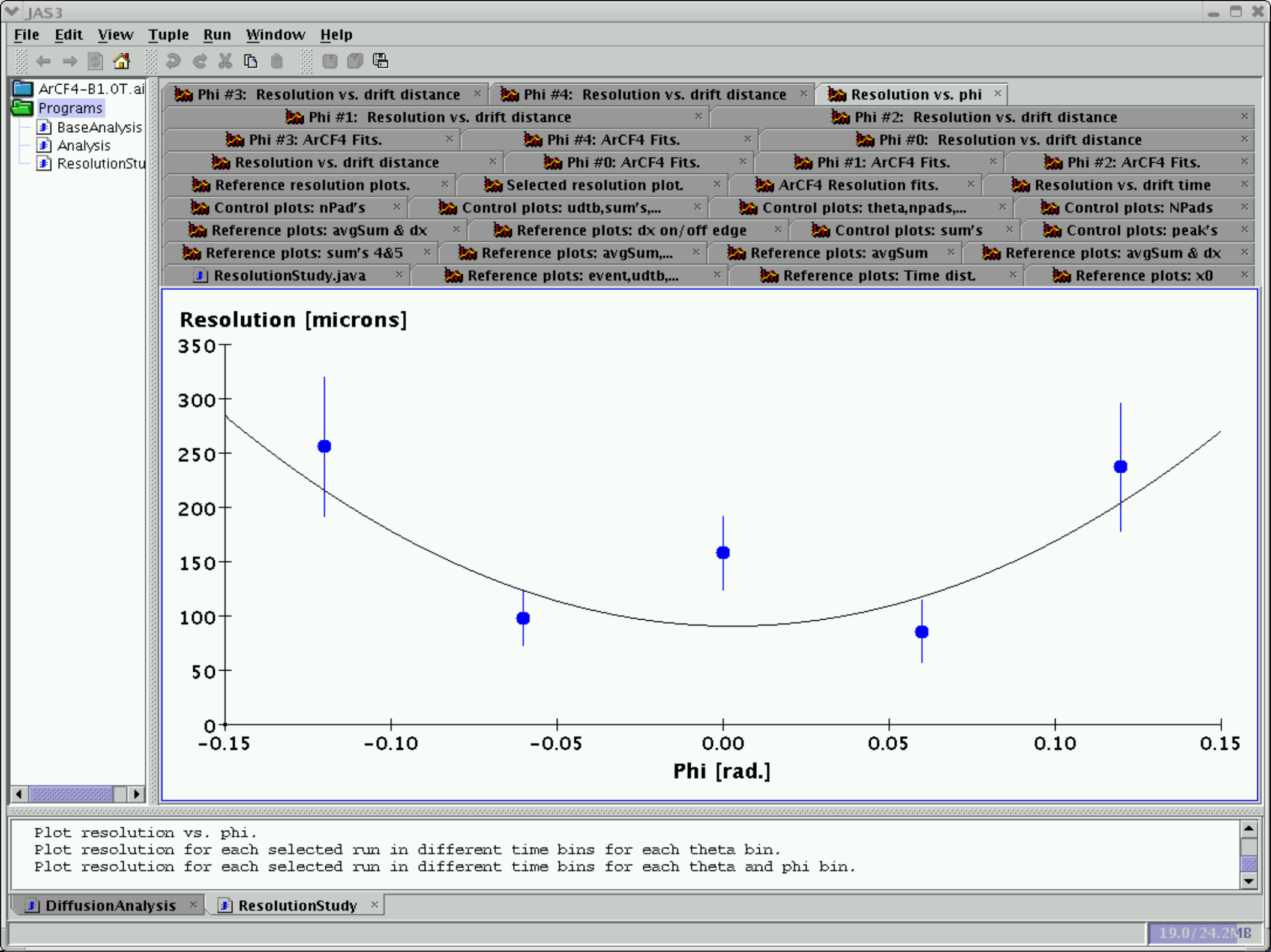
High statistics runs were taken at $B = 0.5 \text{ T}$ and 1 T .

Data processing ran in parallel with data taking writing zero-suppressed LCIO files and Java ntuples. We had online results like the plot shown comparing the diffusion for different gases.

We're still developing the analysis and expect to learn more about Micromegas operation and calibration in preparing final results.



Track width squared (mm^2) as function of drift distance for ArCF4, ArCH4 and Ar-Isobutane gases at $B = 1 \text{ T}$.

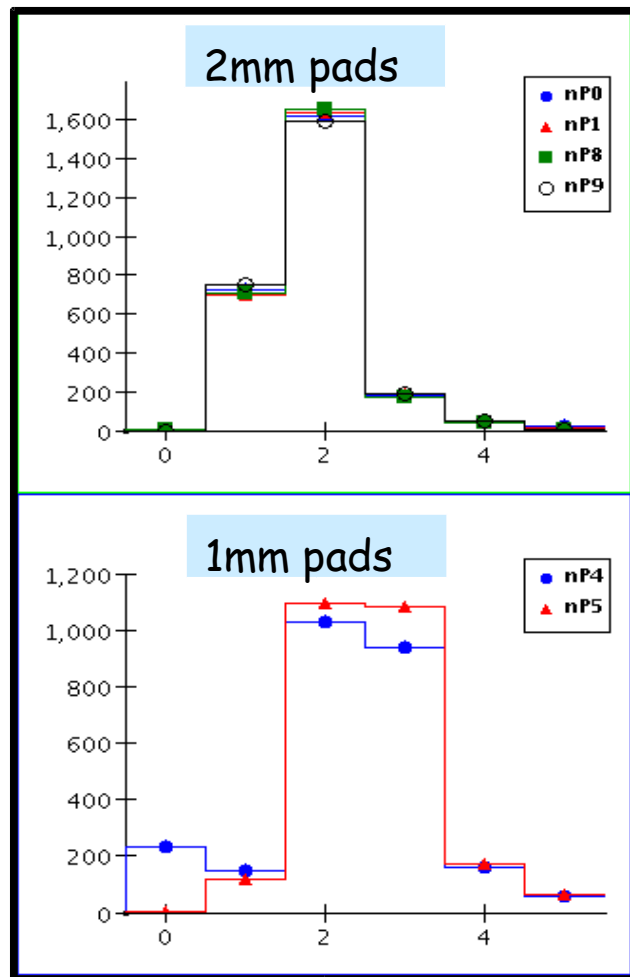


Micromegas TPC Operation

We found the chamber to have very uniform gain response, and the electronic noise to be quite low.

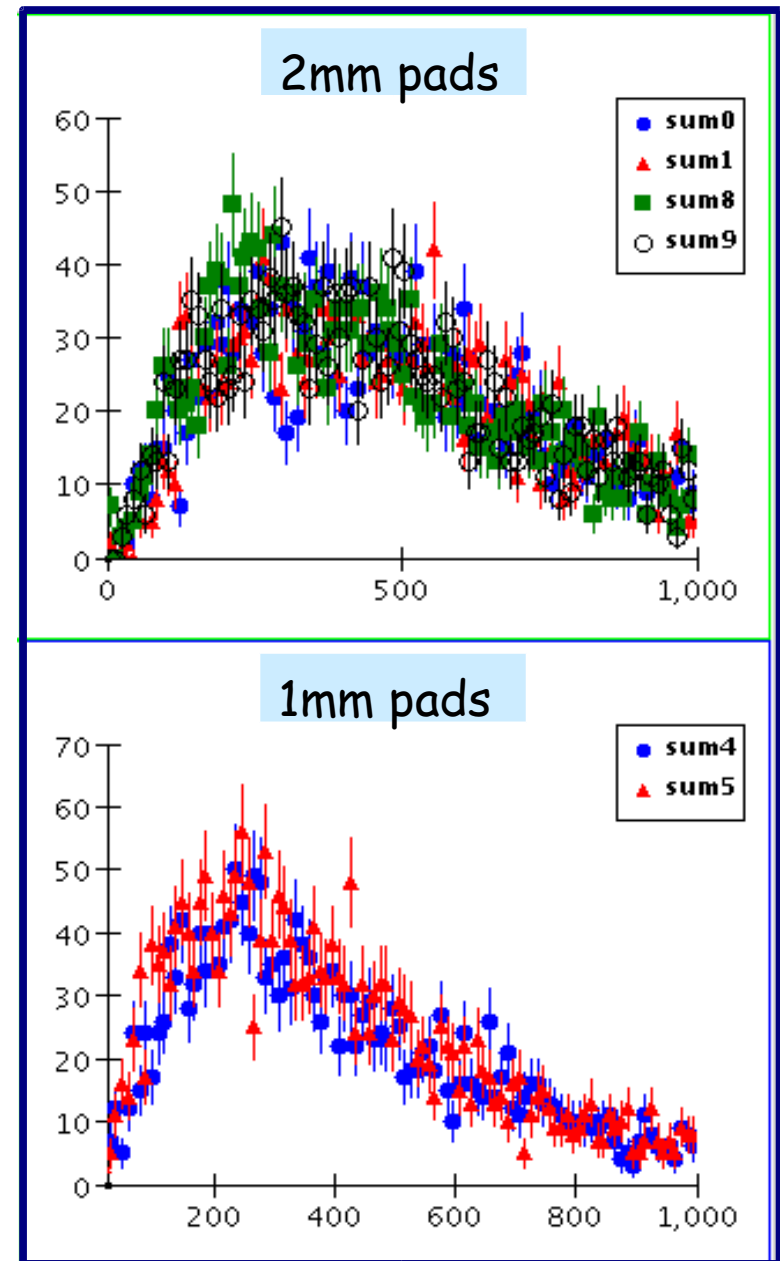
Plots are shown of the number of pads forming each cluster and of the summed amplitude signals for both 2X10 mm² pad rows (#0,#1,#8 & #9) and the 1X10 mm² pad rows (#4 & #5).

ArCF4: 3%
@ B=1T



pads hit

Pulse sums



Gas Property Measurements

- Drift velocity

We measure the drift velocity of different gases using the data itself. The longest drift time tracks observed are from tracks passing through the far end of the chamber, 50 cm from the readout plane.

- Electron attachment

Using the variation in the average energy deposition, measured by the truncated mean, with drift distance allows us to determine the electron attachment coefficient.

- Transverse diffusion

Measured through maximum likelihood fits to the distribution of signals on pads collecting ionization electrons from individual tracks. Relevant pads with no signals provide information as well.

- Magnetic field suppression

We measure the variation in the transverse diffusion as a function of the magnetic field to determine the suppression factor defined as $(D_T[B]/D_T[0])^{-1/2} \sim \omega\tau$.

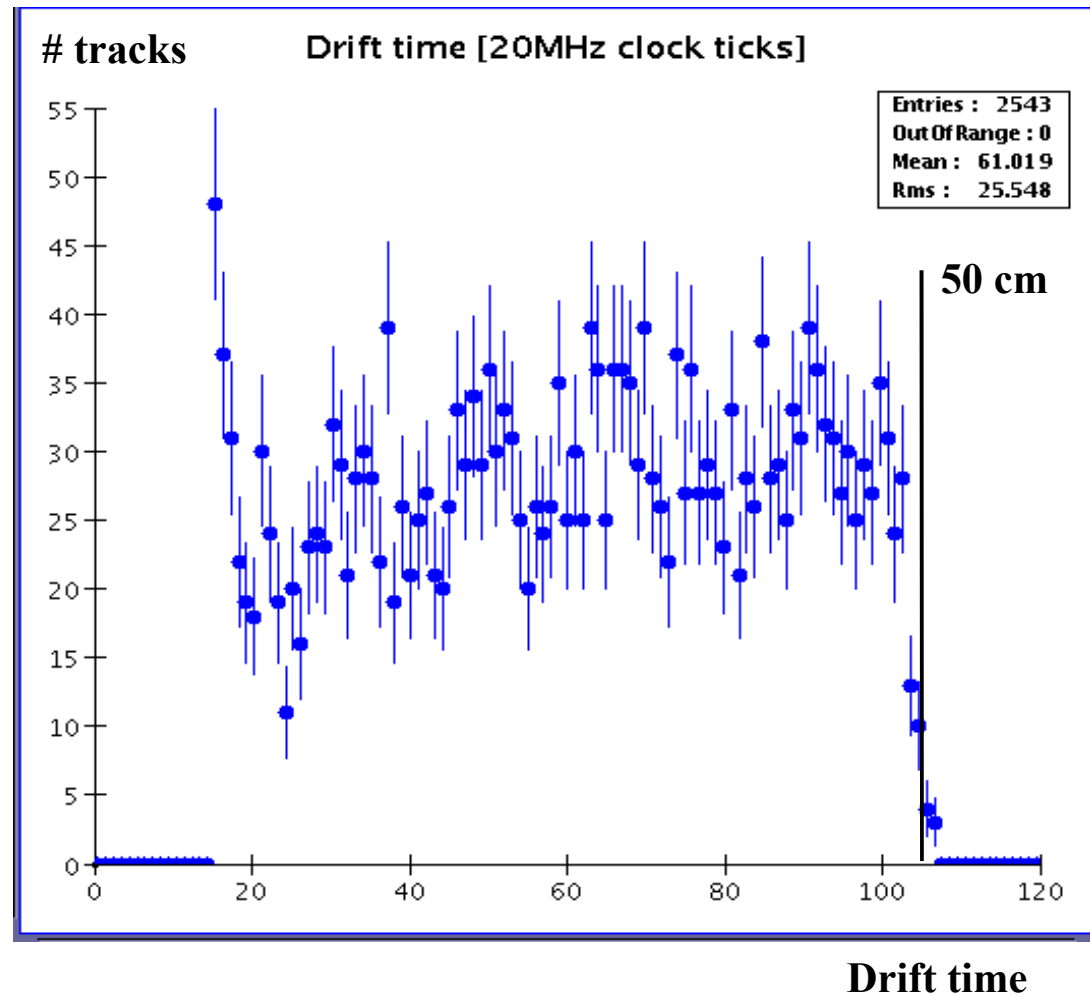
Drift velocity measurements

We measure the drift velocity from the drift time distribution of cosmic ray tracks as shown.

The trigger delay to the readout system and pedestal stabilization results in a loss of information for short drift times. The far end of the chamber at roughly 50 cm begins to cut off the distribution at about 100 clock ticks depending on track dip angle. We take the max. drift time from the distribution to be 105 ± 2 ticks.

We can also determine the drift velocity from individual tracks which are found to exit the far end of the chamber.

In time we'll develop a full Monte Carlo simulation to improve the drift velocity determination.



For Ar-CF4:3% we determine the drift velocity to be

$$v_D = 8.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ cm / microsec.}$$

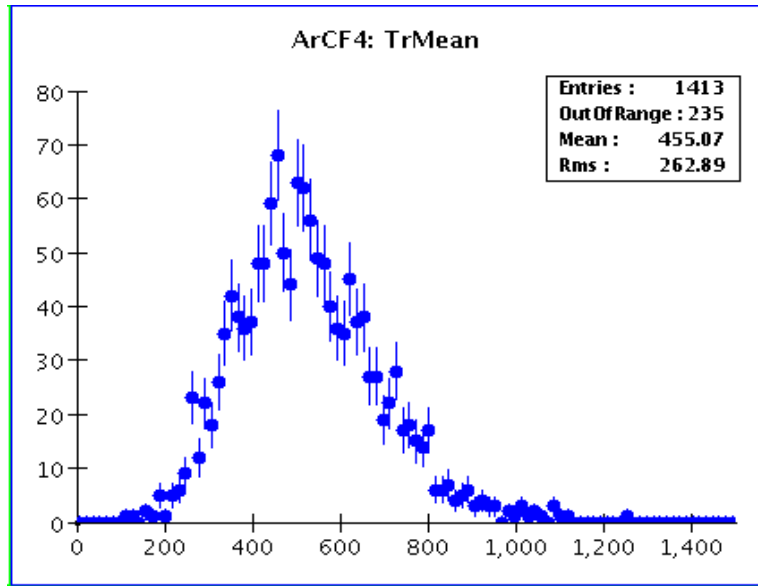
This corresponds to roughly 90 microns / nsec. So that an overall track absolute z position measurement error of about 100 microns yields track timing at 1 nsec level.

Comparisons to MagBoltz

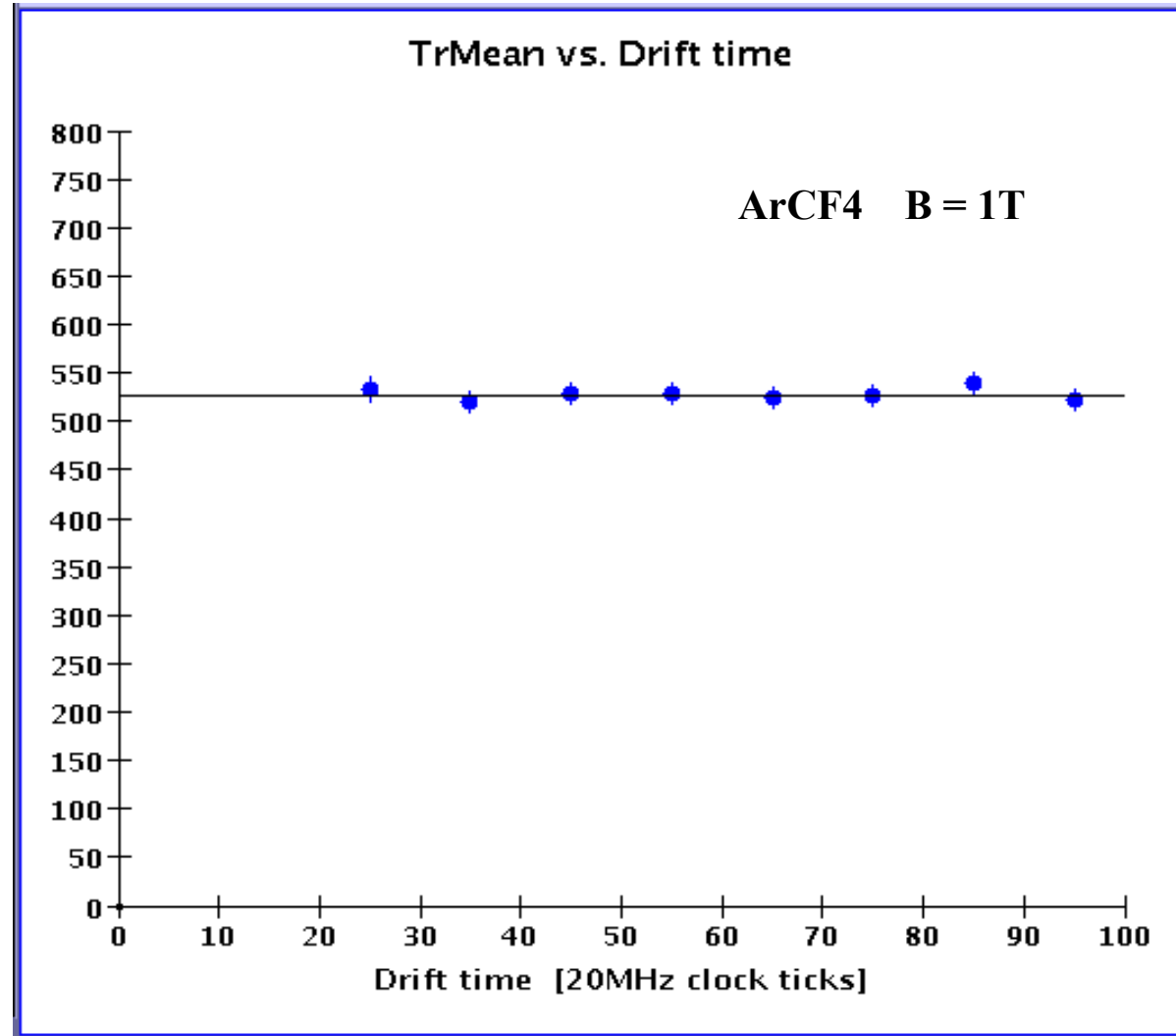
Gas mixture	E drift (V/cm)	V_{drift} (cm/ μ s)	Magboltz
Ar+5%iso	210	4.24 \pm 0.08	4.18
P10	66	4.43 \pm 0.07	4.38
P10	150	5.61 \pm 0.09	5.48
Ar+3%CF ₄	200	8.8 \pm 0.2	8.6

Electron attachment measurements

We have not studied dE/dx information very carefully but have made a truncated mean calculation using the lowest signals on 4 out of 6 pad rows.



Using the calculated *TrMean* we can check the attenuation length in **ArCF4** with our relatively long drift length.

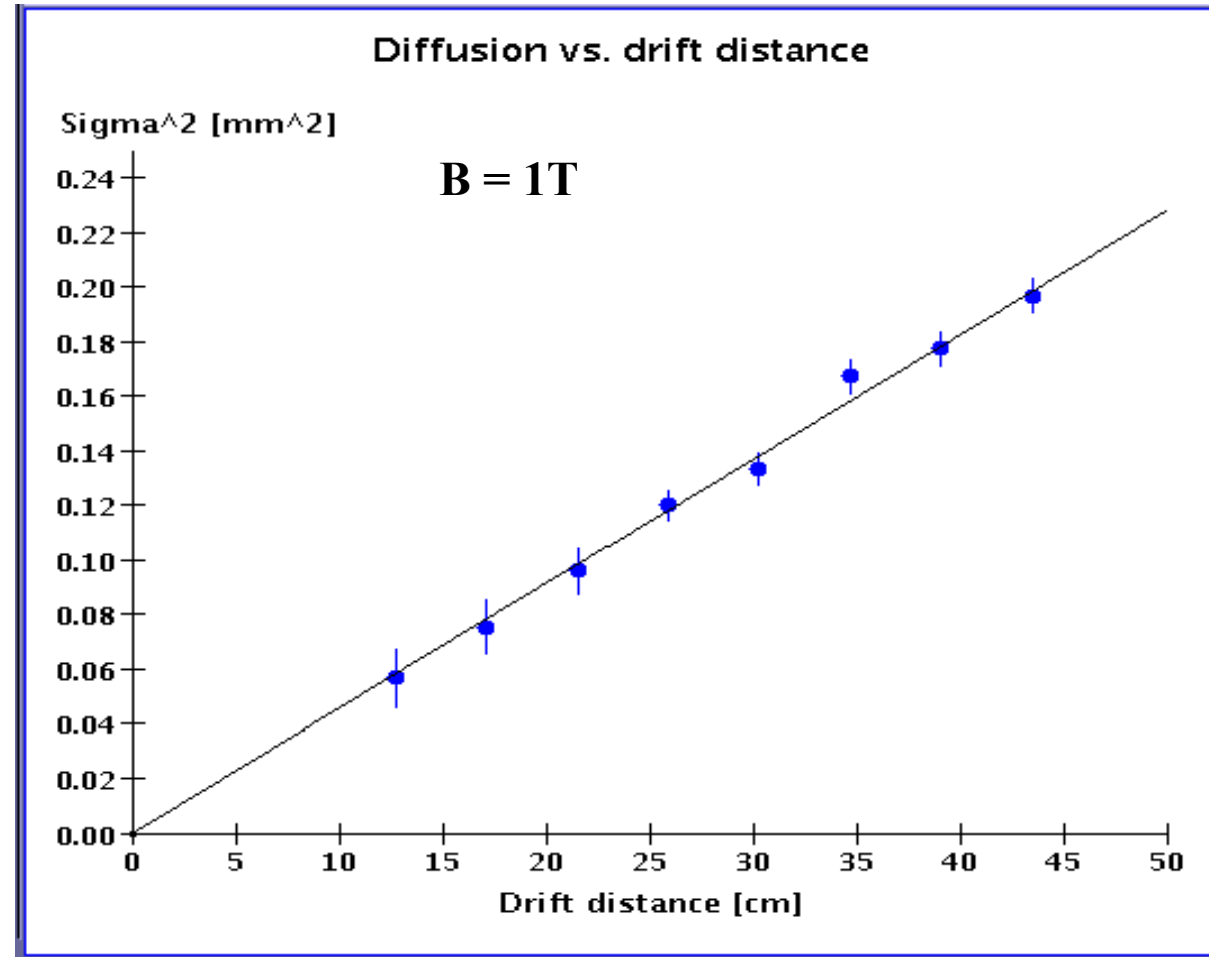
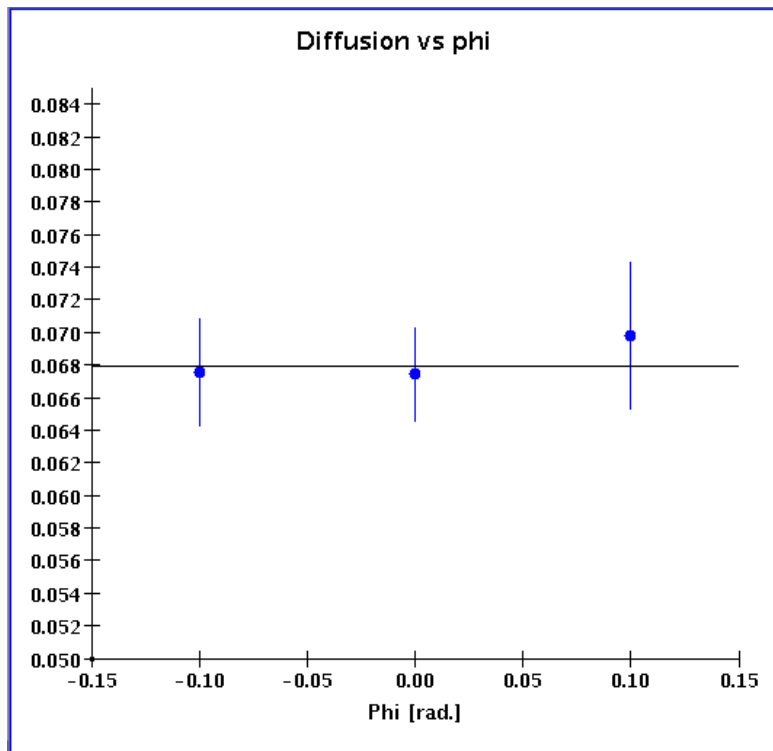


We find that the attenuation length due to electron attachment in **ArCF4** is larger than **4.4 m** at **90%** confidence.

Transverse diffusion measurements

We determine the transverse diffusion from max. likelihood fits to individual anode pad signals on 6 pad rows (4 w/ 2mm pitch and 2 rows w/ 1mm pitch). The fitted track spread is used to measure the transverse diffusion.

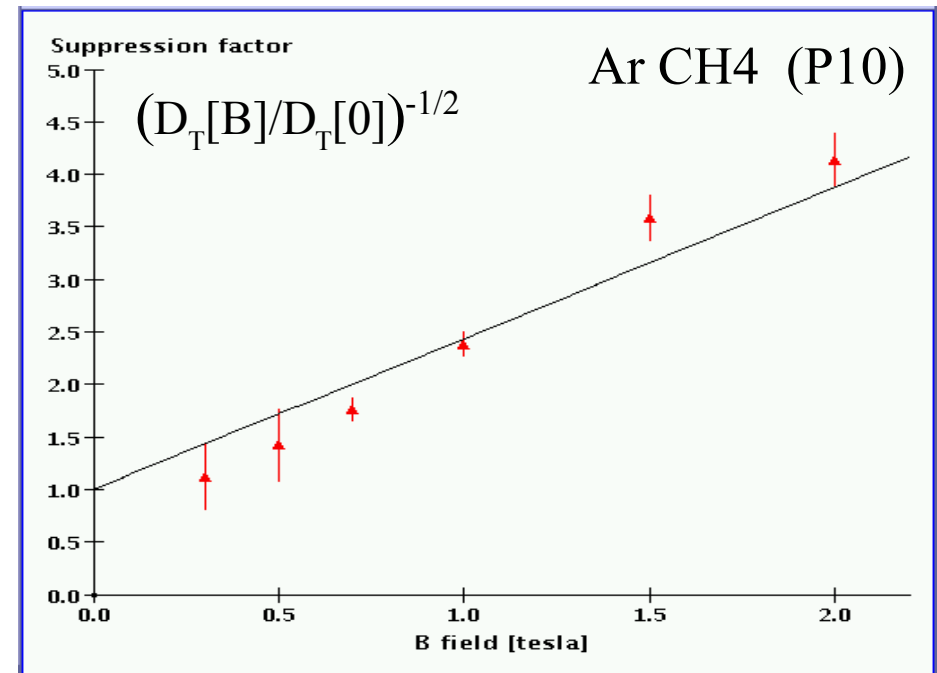
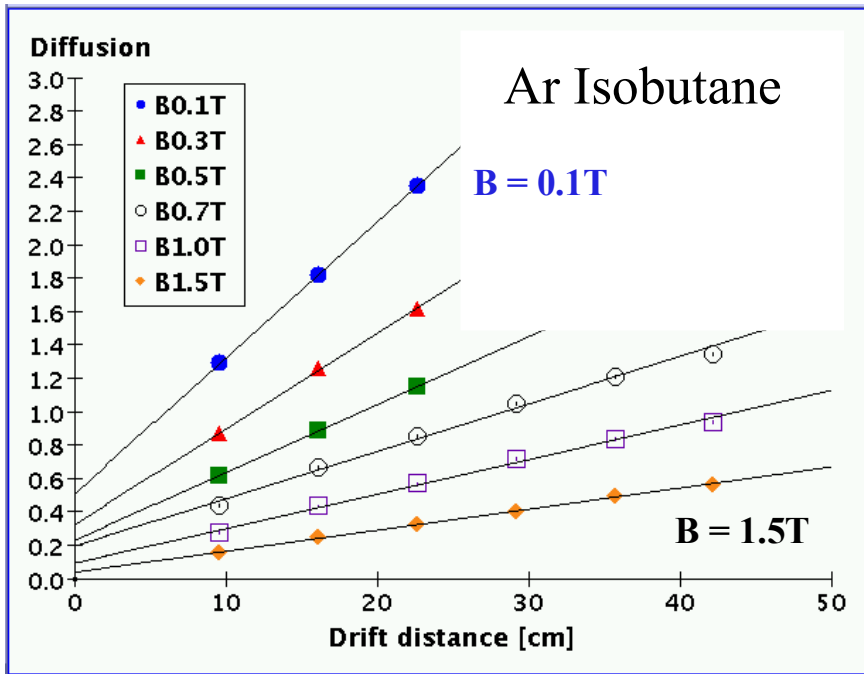
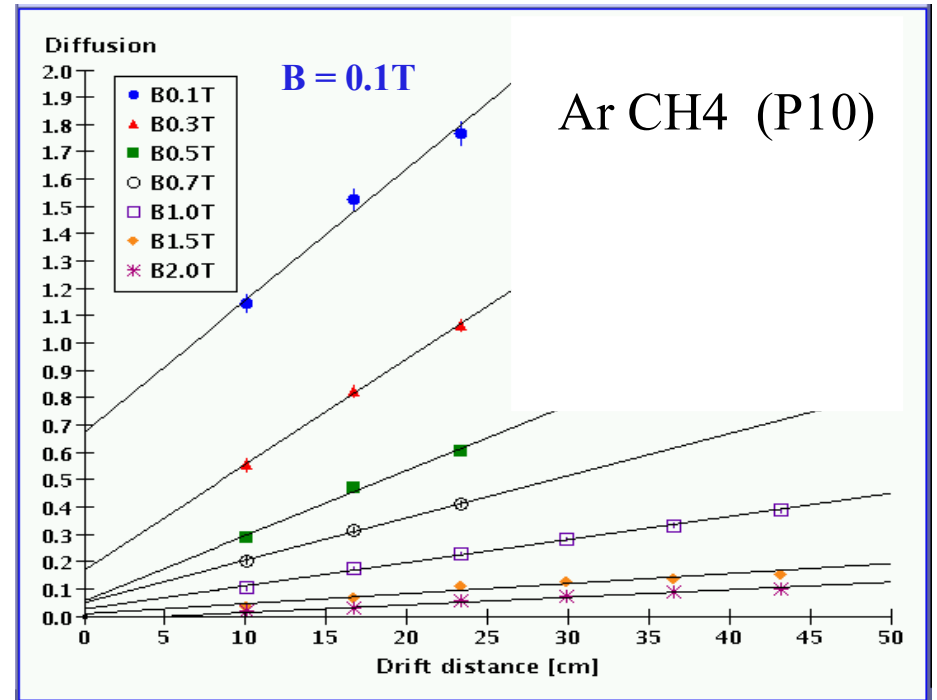
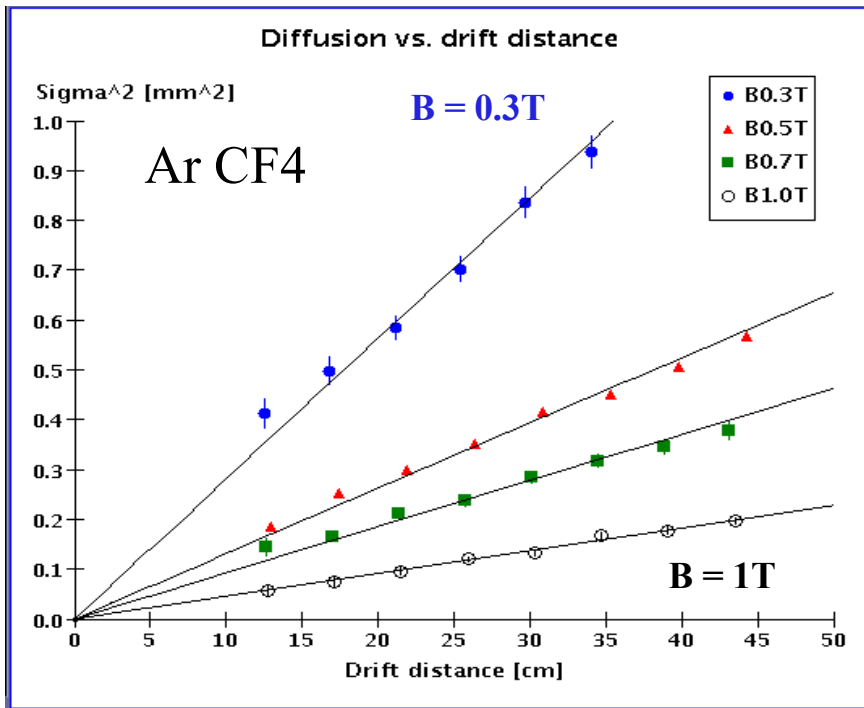
We find no evidence of any track angle dependence in the measurement, shown below, as expected.



For Ar-CF4:3% at $B = 1$ Tesla, we measure in one analysis

$$D_T = 68 \pm 0.9 \pm 3 \text{ microns} / \sqrt{\text{cm}}$$

This implies an expected transverse spread of about 360 microns after 2.5 m drift in a 3 Tesla magnetic field, and a diffusion limited point resolution of 60 microns for 6 mm pads.



Measured Gas Properties

• Drift velocity

First Micromegas TPC results @ $B = 1T$

We measure the drift velocities for the 3 gases being studied using the time distribution of cosmic ray tracks in our Micromegas TPC. We find at $B = 1T$

Ar-CF4: 3%	$v_{\text{drift}} = 8.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ (stat.) cm} / \mu\text{sec.}$	
Ar-CH4: 10%	$v_{\text{drift}} = 5.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat.) cm} / \mu\text{sec.}$	$\sim 10\% \text{ systematic errors}$
Ar-Isobutane: 5%	$v_{\text{drift}} = 4.4 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat.) cm} / \mu\text{sec.}$	

Electron attachment

We measure electron attachment by drift distance variation in the truncated mean.

Ar-CF4: 3%	$\lambda_{\text{attachment}} > 4.4 \text{ m @ } 90\% \text{ confidence}$
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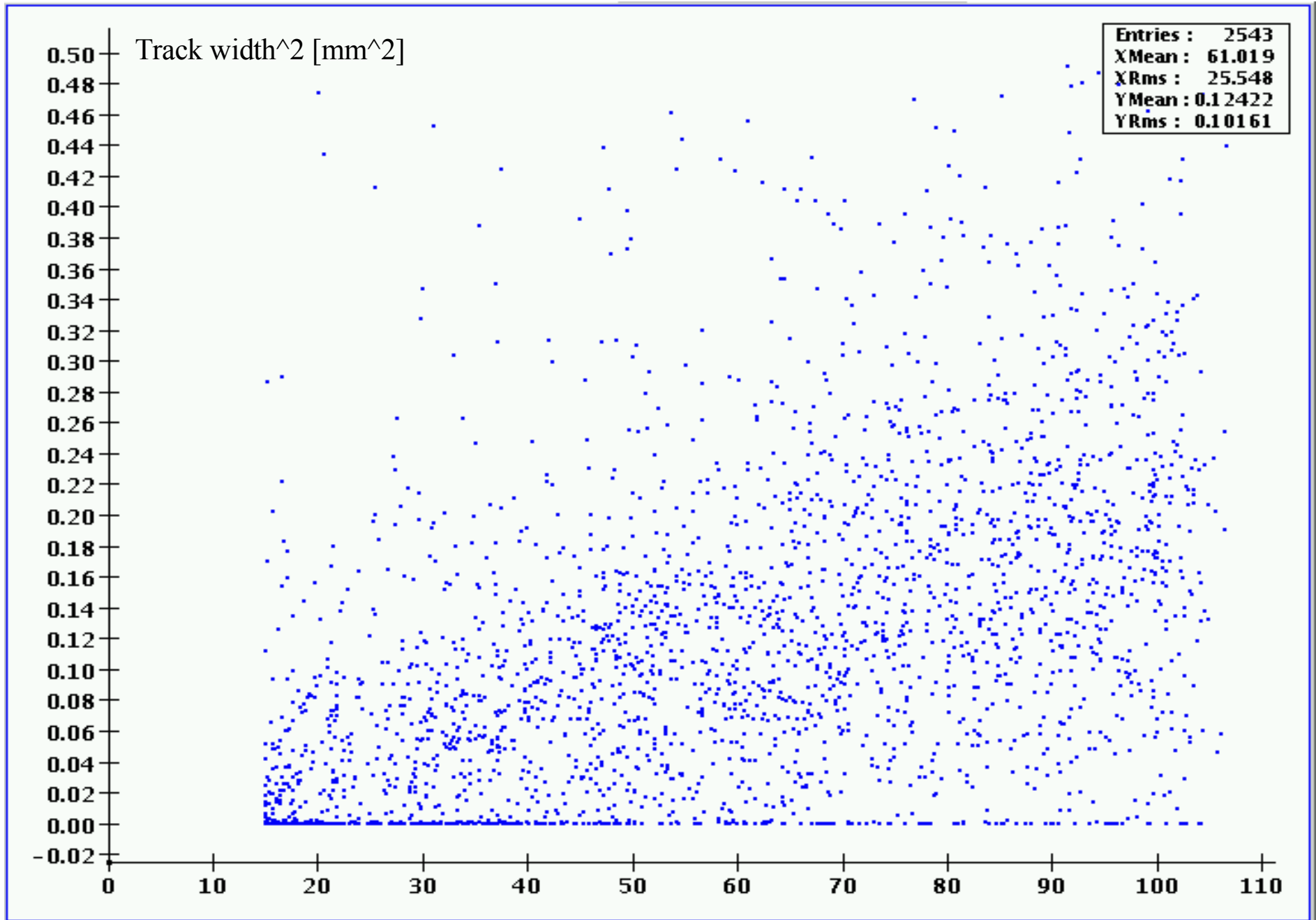
• Transverse diffusion

We measure the diffusion from maximum fits to the track ionization spread on pads in each row. We find at $B = 1T$

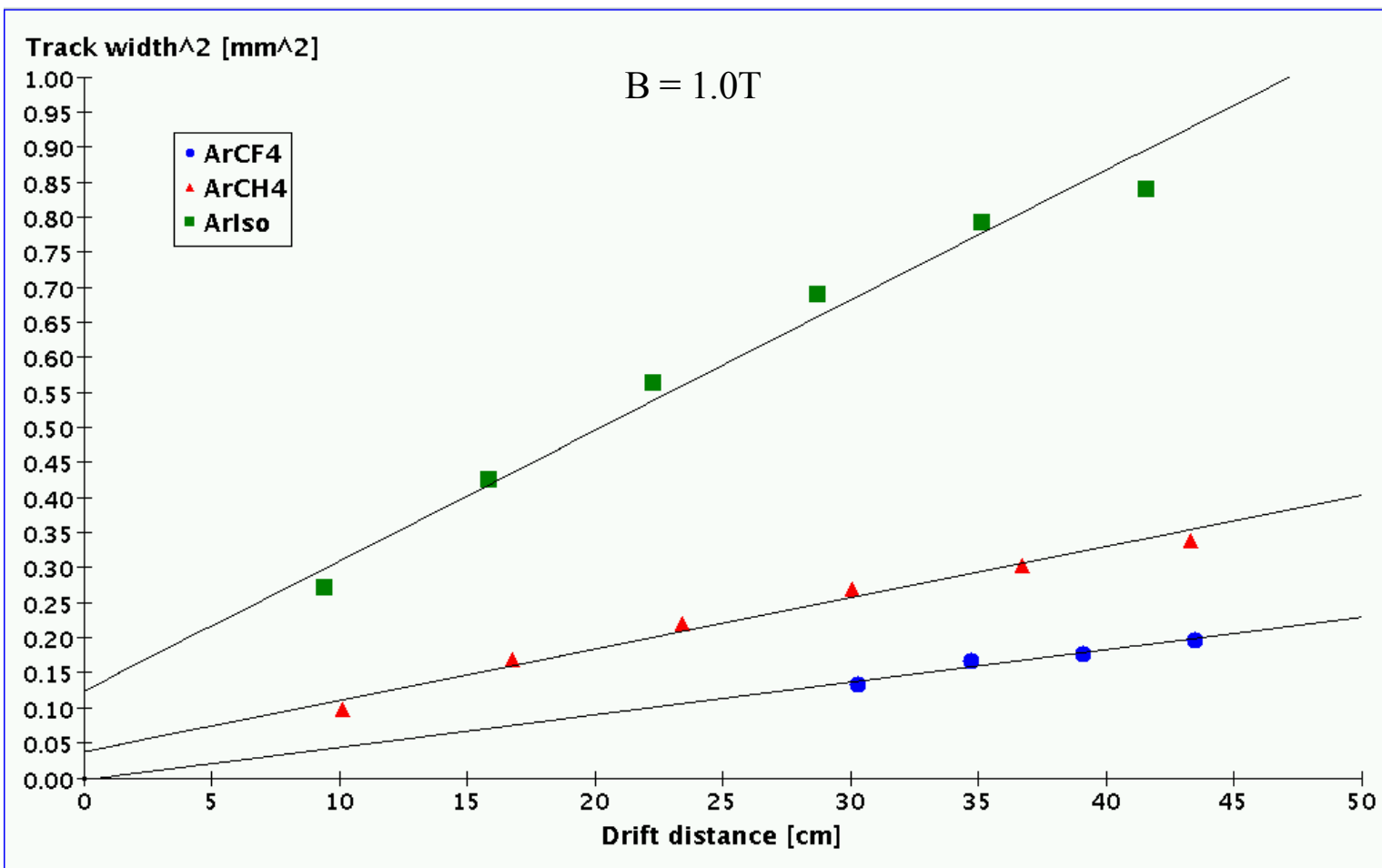
Ar-CF4: 3%	$D_T = 75 \pm 2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 7 \text{ (sys.) } \mu\text{m} / \sqrt{\text{cm}}$
Ar-CH4: 10%	$D_T = 100 \pm 1.4 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 10 \text{ (sys.) } \mu\text{m} / \sqrt{\text{cm}}$
Ar-Isobutane: 5%	$D_T = 160 \pm 1.0 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 16 \text{ (sys.) } \mu\text{m} / \sqrt{\text{cm}}$

Systematics study

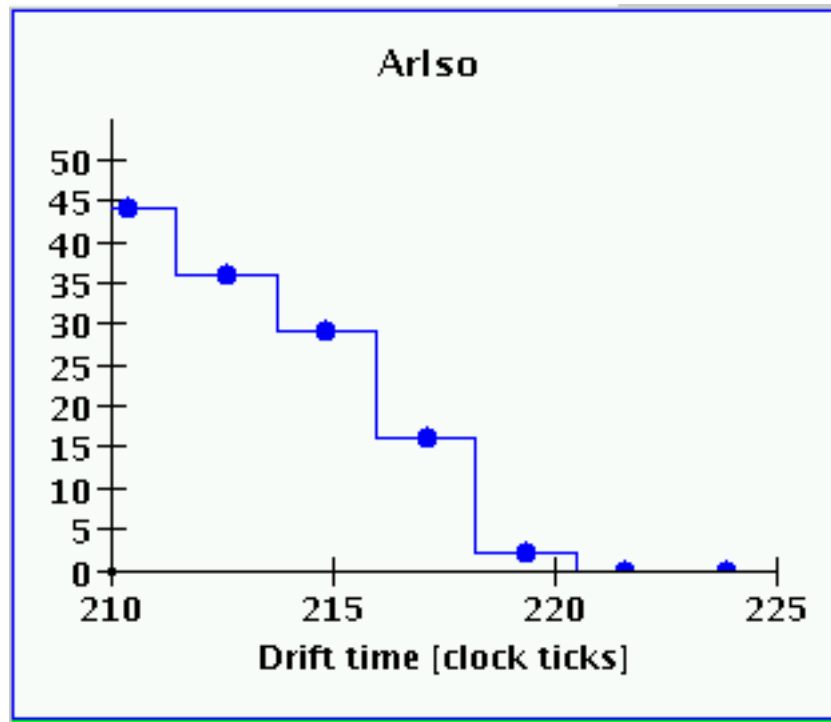
- Detector response function. How to calibrate the detector and electronics ?
- Drift velocity endpoint determination.
- Diffusion measurements
 - Differences between Java/Fortran and with MagBoltz
 - Zero track width measurements (thresholds, ...)
 - Non-linearities in large diff. Measurements
 - Fit range variations, diffusion offsets
 - Fits to different drift time/distance bins
- dE/dx measurements
- Transverse position resolution
 - Need to improve statistics in final analysis
- Pulse shaping

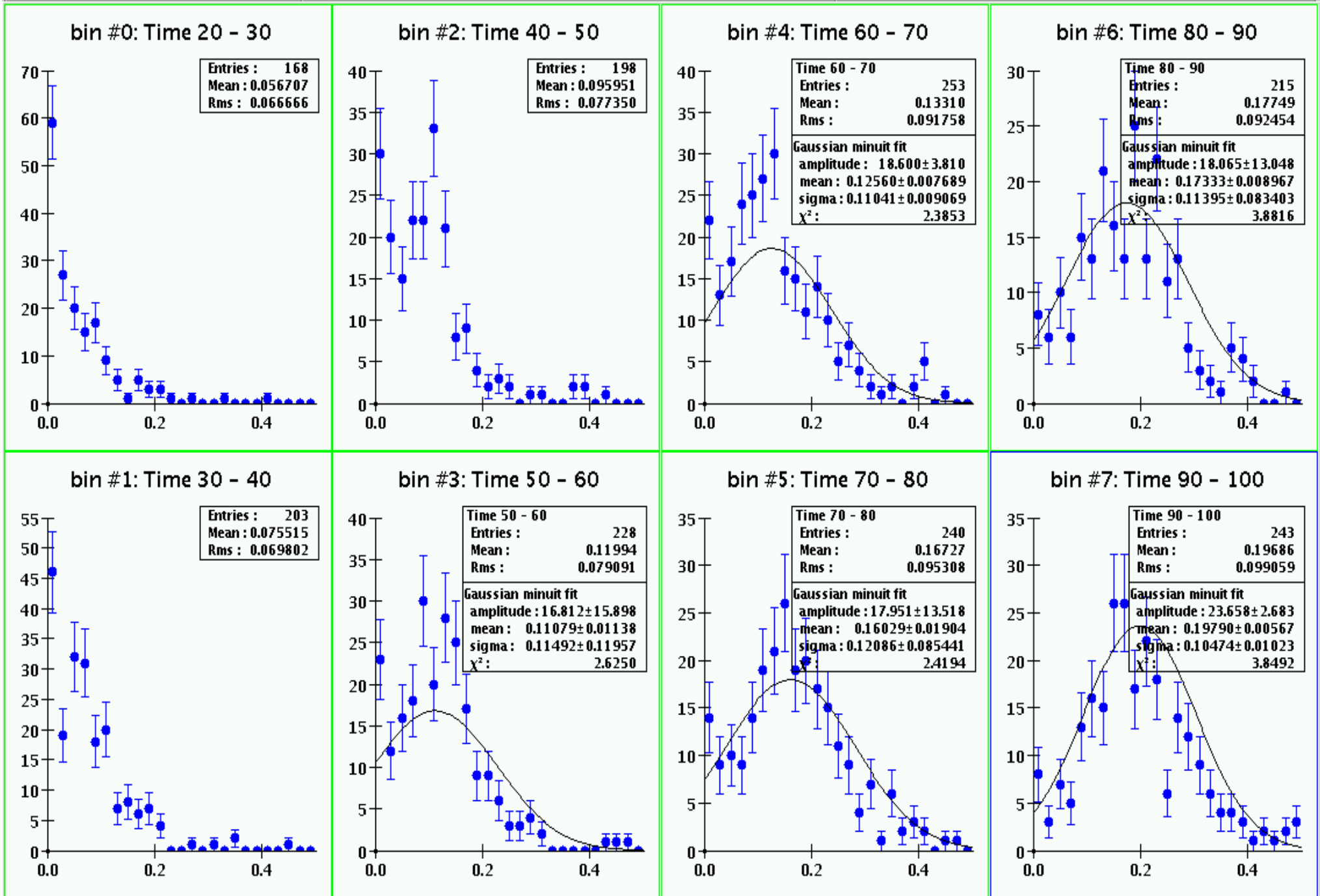
ArCF4 B=1T $\omega\tau \sim$ 

Vary fit range



End point determination

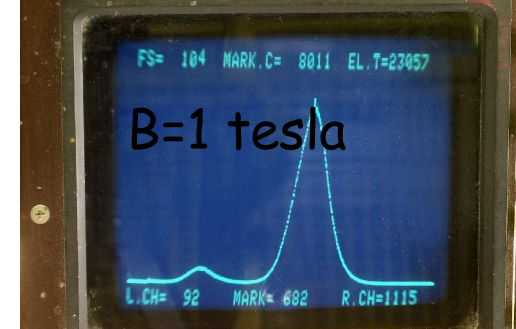
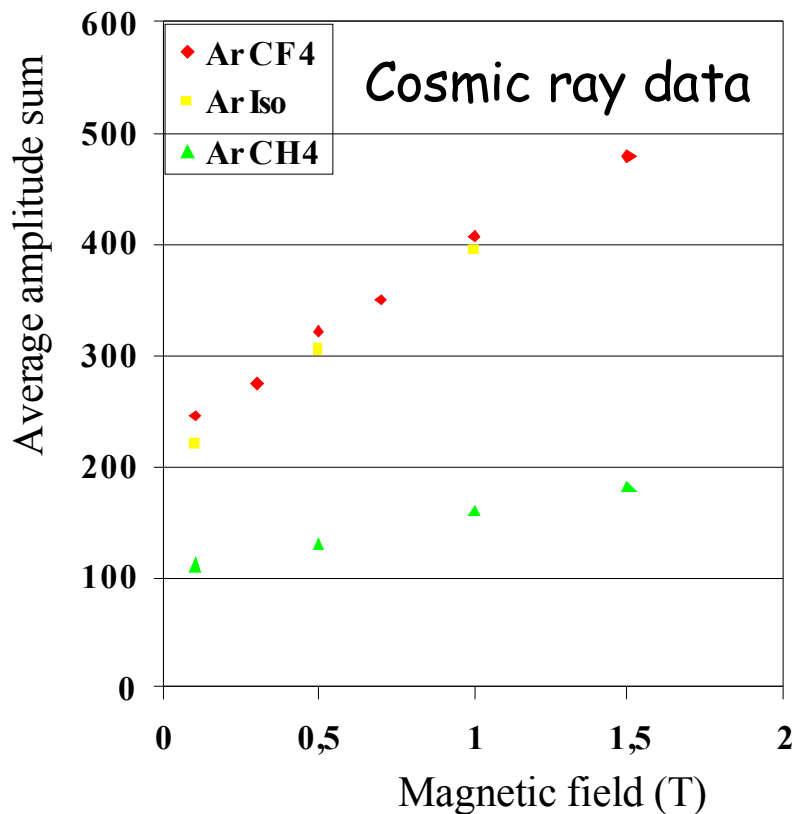




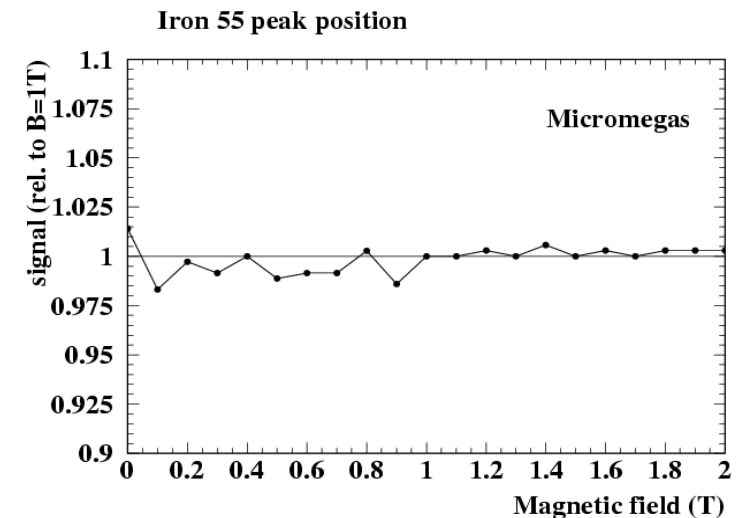
Surprise

Presented by P. Colas at Durham ECFA meeting.

We observe a strong dependence of the total amplitude on the magnetic field.
Not explained by relativistic rise of dE/dx
Electronics? Mechanical effect on mesh?



Apparent contradiction with previous measurements with a ^{55}Fe source!



To be investigated...
(harmless anyway)

Micromegas TPC Performance

- Gas gain

We obtained high gains (~ 5000) at modest mesh voltages, 300-350 V, except for ArCH₄:10% (P10).

- Detector stability

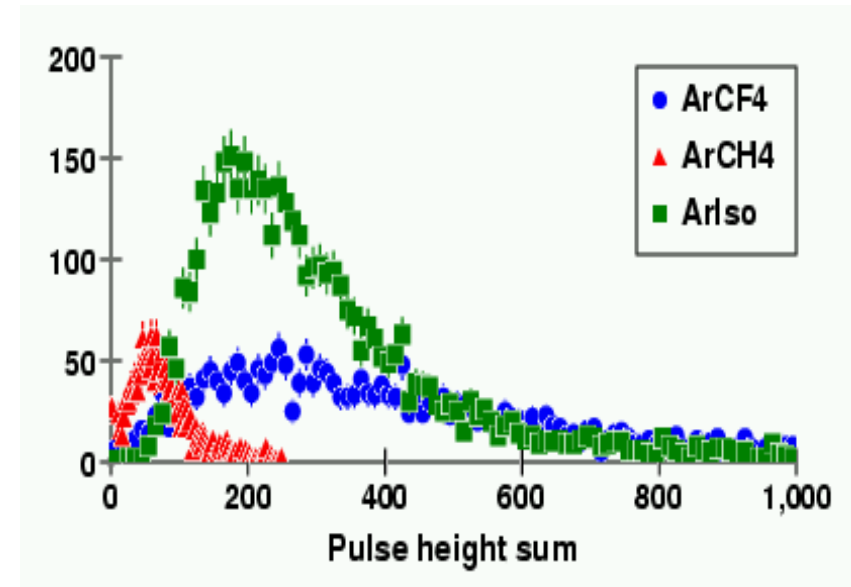
Significant signal variation with magnetic field (larger at higher fields) was observed that is not understood at this time.

- Electronic noise

We operated the STAR front end electronics at very low noise levels (~ 1000 e's), typically 1-2 ADC counts.

- Point resolution measurement

We determine the point resolution by comparing the position measurements of the two center 1mm pad rows, correcting for track angles and for track fitting errors. The resolution measurements are binned in drift distance and fit with a linear dependence. We take the zero drift intercept as the *intrinsic* Micromegas position resolution.



Note: We measure *intrinsic* (“zero-drift”) Micromegas resolutions of **60-100 microns**, even with ArCH₄ (P10) operating at low gain (~ 1000) as shown above.

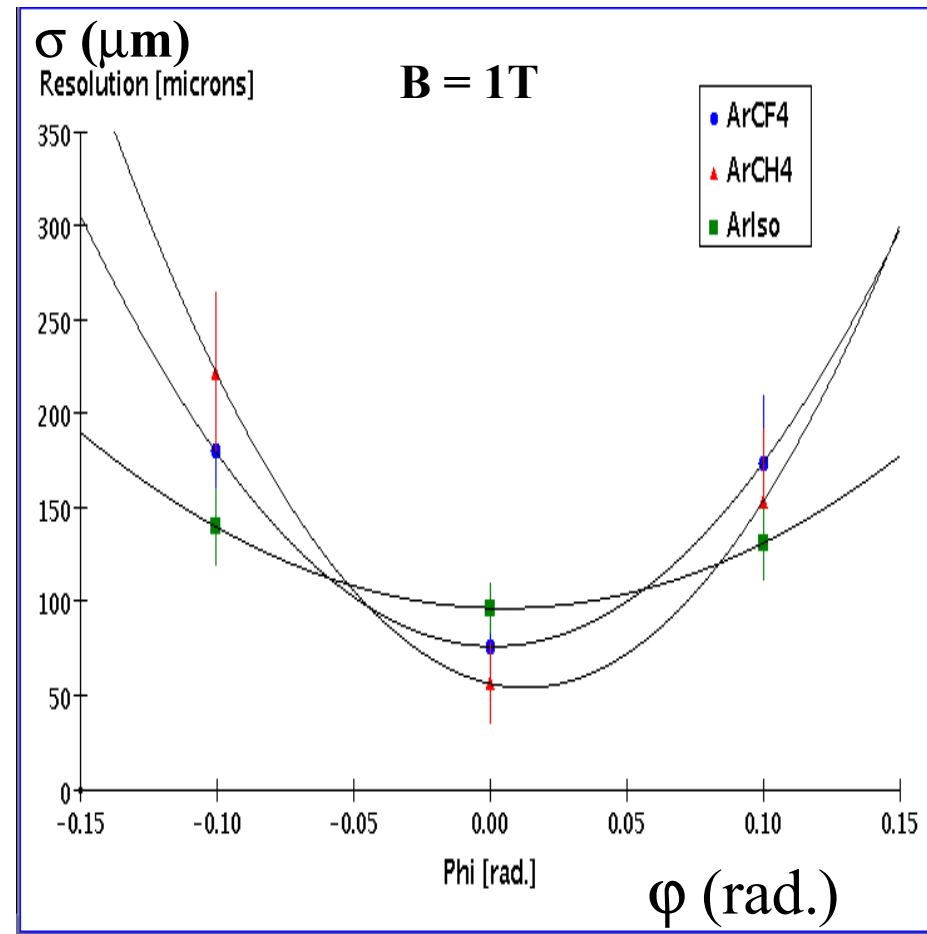
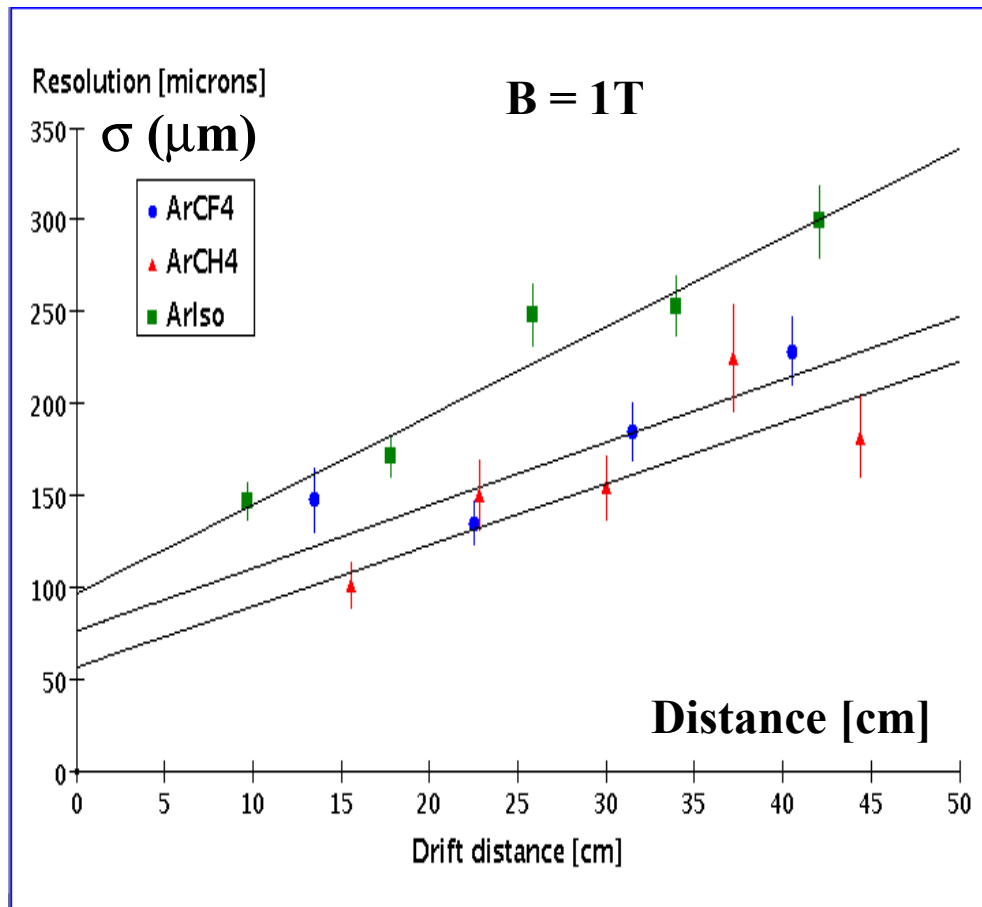
Transverse position resolution measurements

For near vertical tracks at small angles, we measure Micromegas intrinsic (“zero drift”) resolutions of roughly **60, 80 and 100 microns** for **Ar-CF₄**, **Ar-CH₄** and **Ar-Isobutane** gas mixtures, respectively.

We measure a large (X2) angular dependence of the resolution due to our elongated **1X10 mm²** anode pads.



Anode pads
1X10 mm²



We obtain position resolutions as small as **60 - 80 microns** for near vertical tracks using our **1X10 mm²** pads.

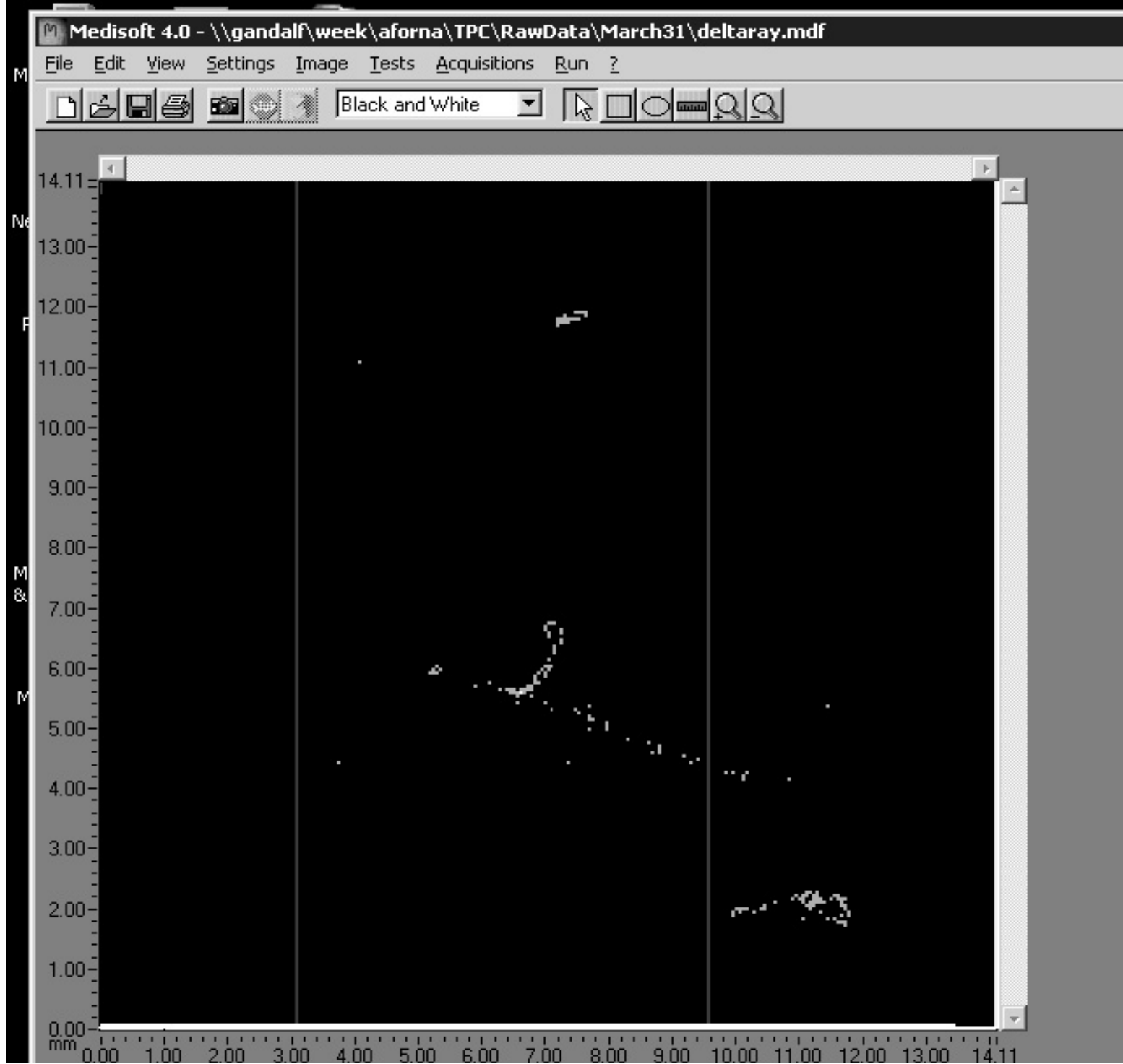
Micromegas pixel-TPC R&D

Rome IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium

New results from
NIKHEF / Saclay
Pixel-TPC Collaboration

- First GEM gas detector pixel readout R. Bellazini et al, Pisa
- NIKHEF / Saclay Micromegas Pixel TPC readout

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Summary

- Micro-pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD's) offer significant improvements for future TPC applications, such as the ILC. An extensive R&D program is required to fully realize the benefits and to completely understand the limitations.
- A large-area Micromegas TPC has been operated successfully for a year with no significant problems.
- New high-precision gas property measurements have been made for three gases: **ArCF₄** 3%, **ArCH₄** 10% (P10) and **Argon-Isobutane** 5%.
- The Micromegas TPC performance measures are very exciting and improvements can be expected.
- Plans
 - *Continue analysis to learn how to calibrate, to understand systematics and to measure other properties such as dE/dx resolution and pulse time shaping.*
 - Future data taking is being planned for tests of *charge spreading techniques, and for long operation in a reasonably intense beam.*