

MPD-NICA y MexNICA

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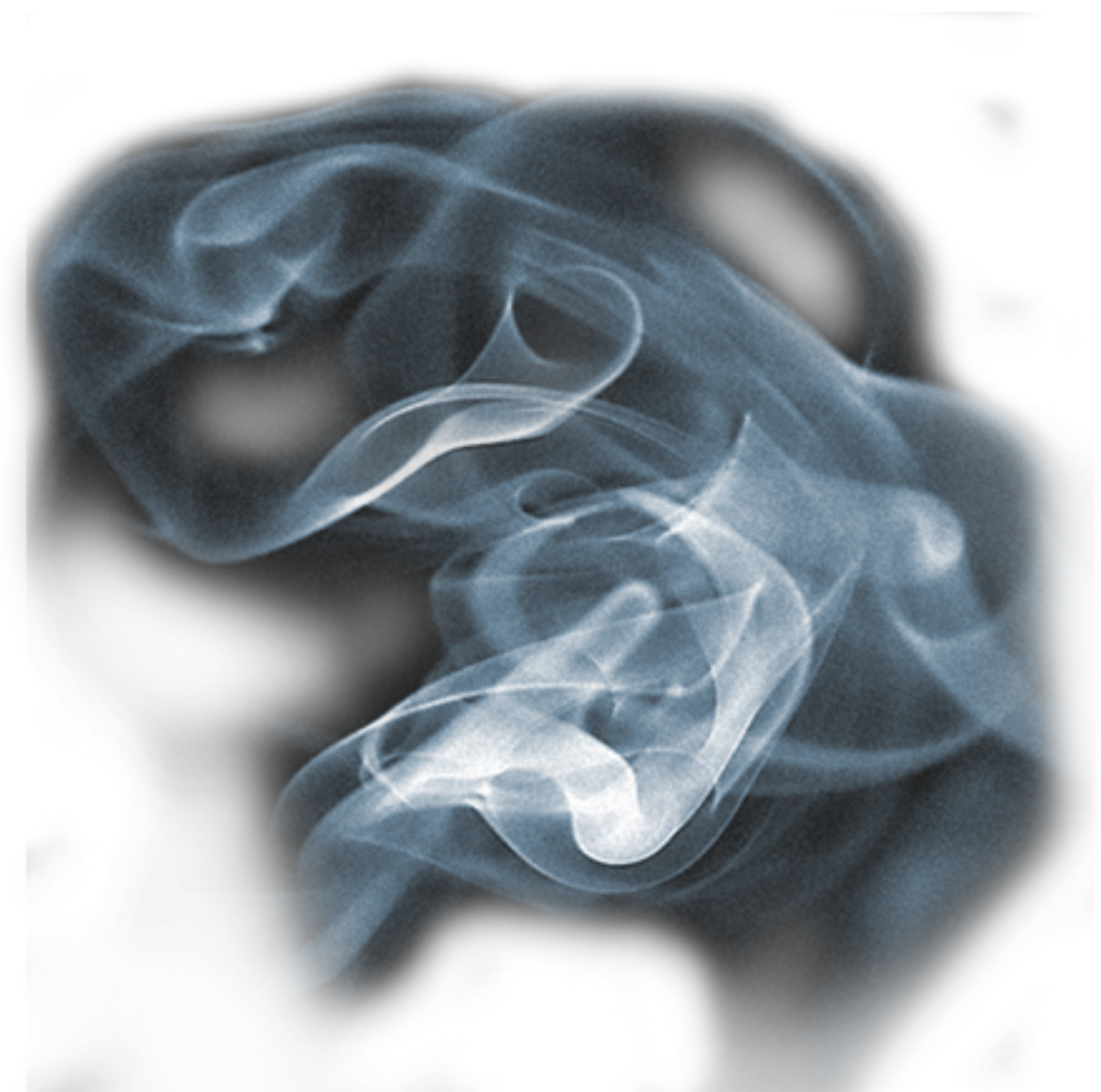
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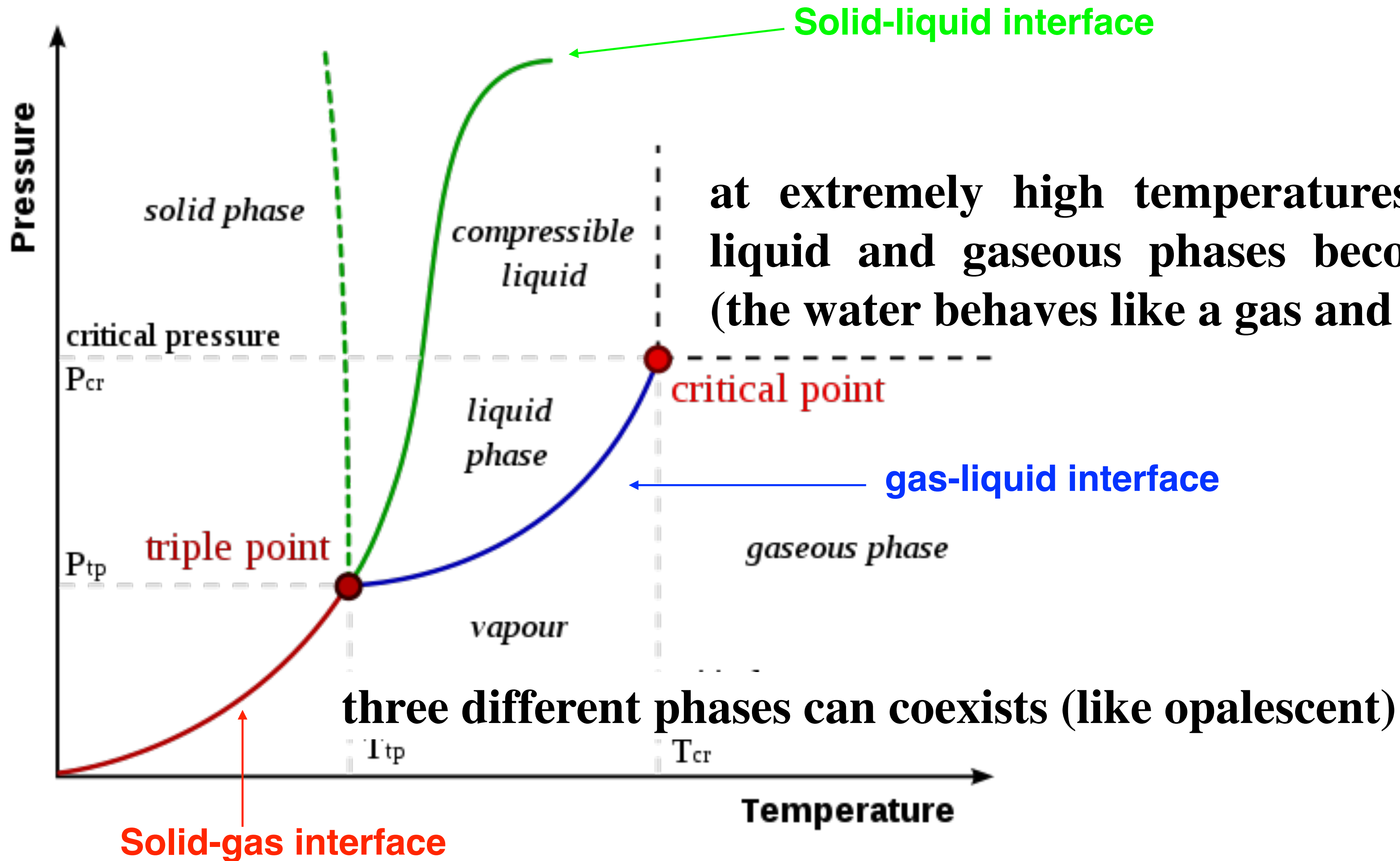


LIQUID



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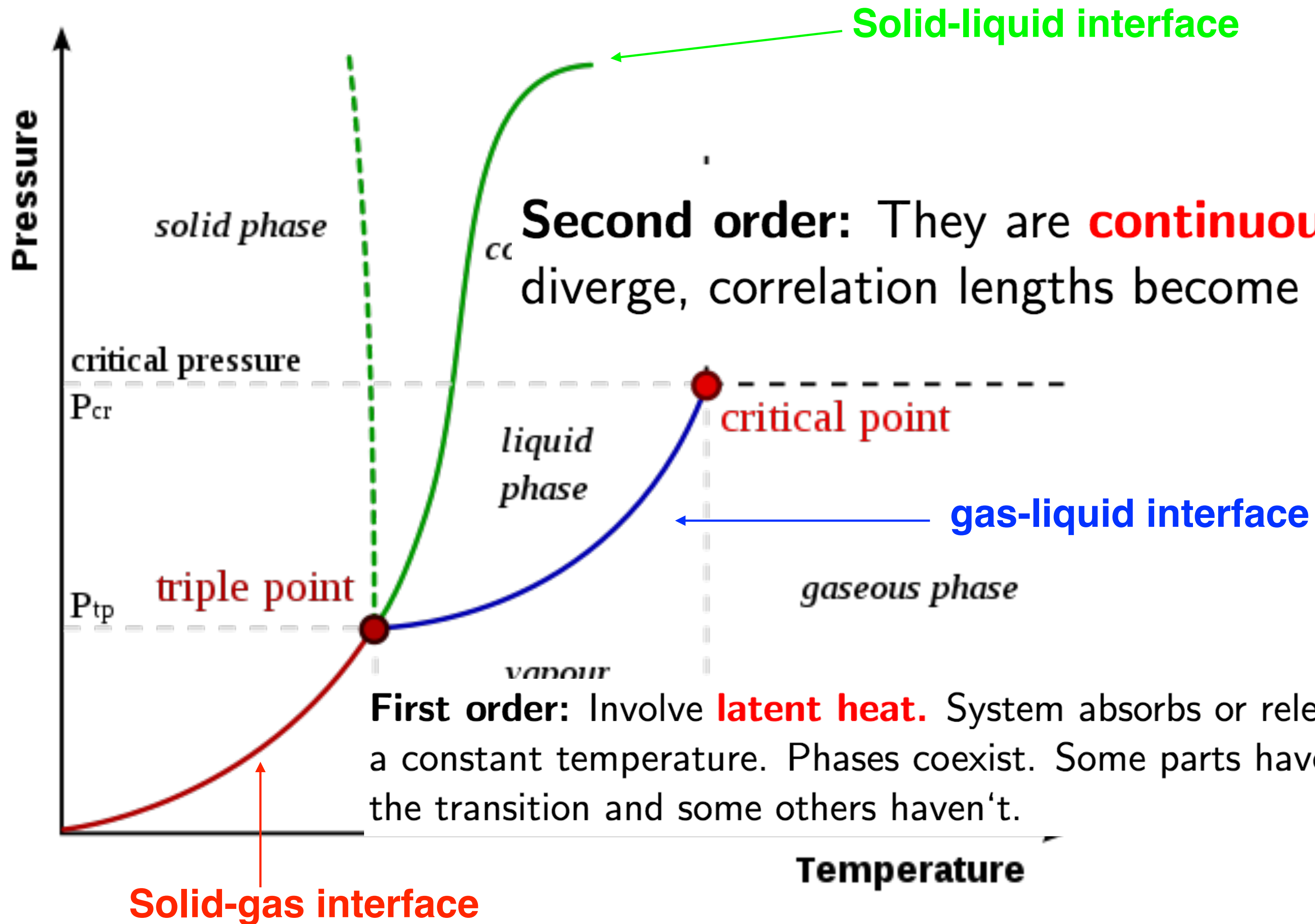
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at extremely high temperatures and pressures, the liquid and gaseous phases become indistinguishable (the water behaves like a gas and liquid)



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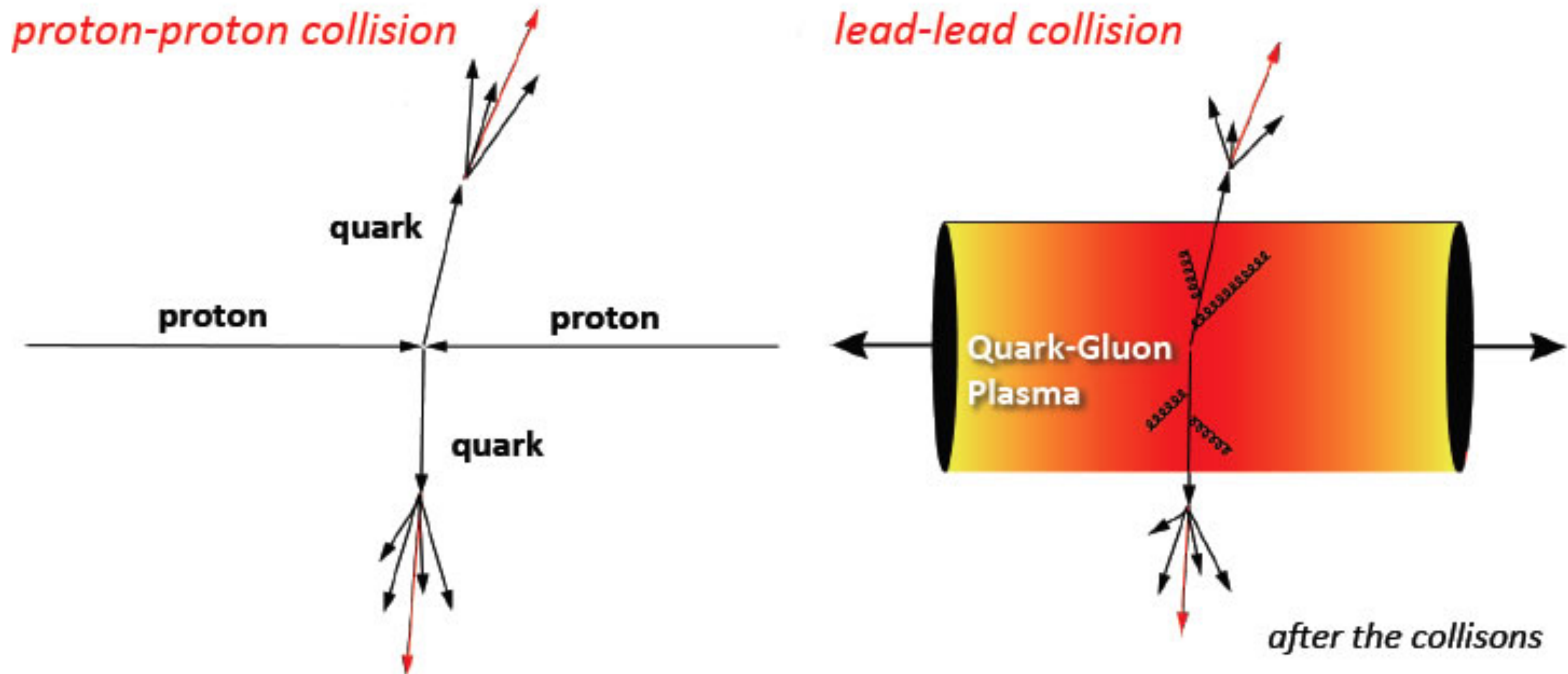
Second order: They are **continuous** transitions. Susceptibilities diverge, correlation lengths become large.

First order: Involve **latent heat**. System absorbs or releases heat at a constant temperature. Phases coexist. Some parts have completed the transition and some others haven't.



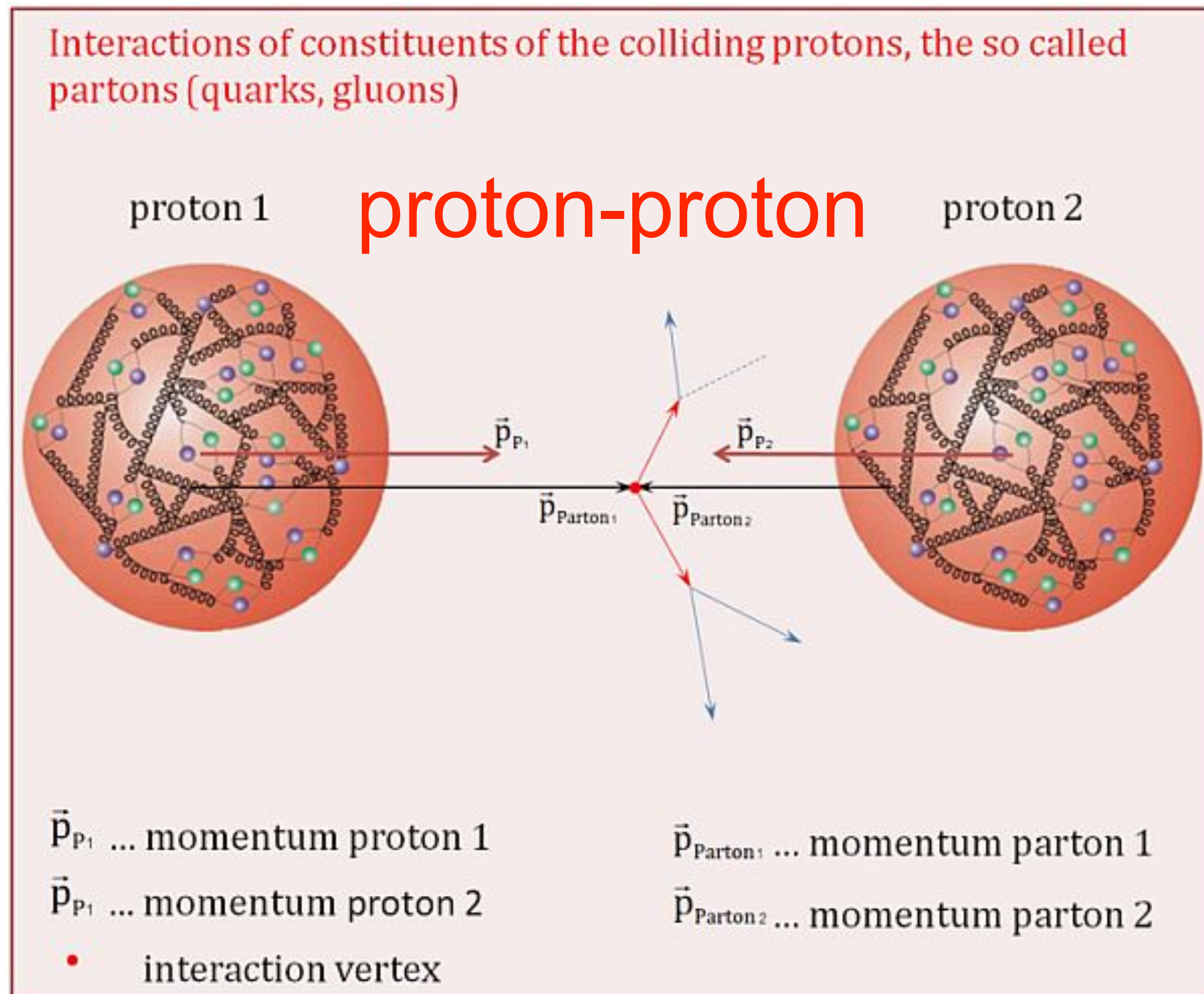
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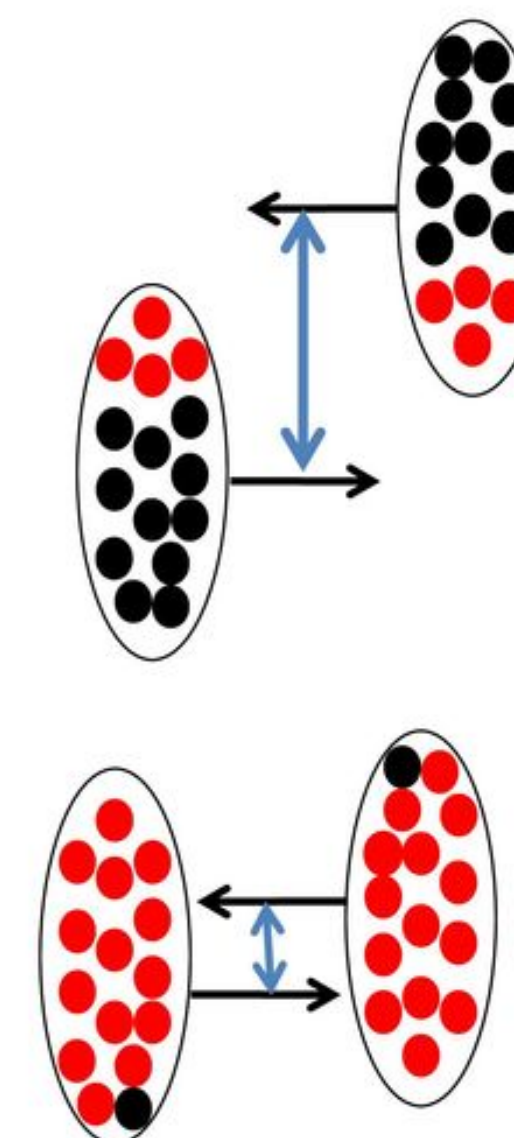
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Geometry of a Pb-Pb collision

lead-lead



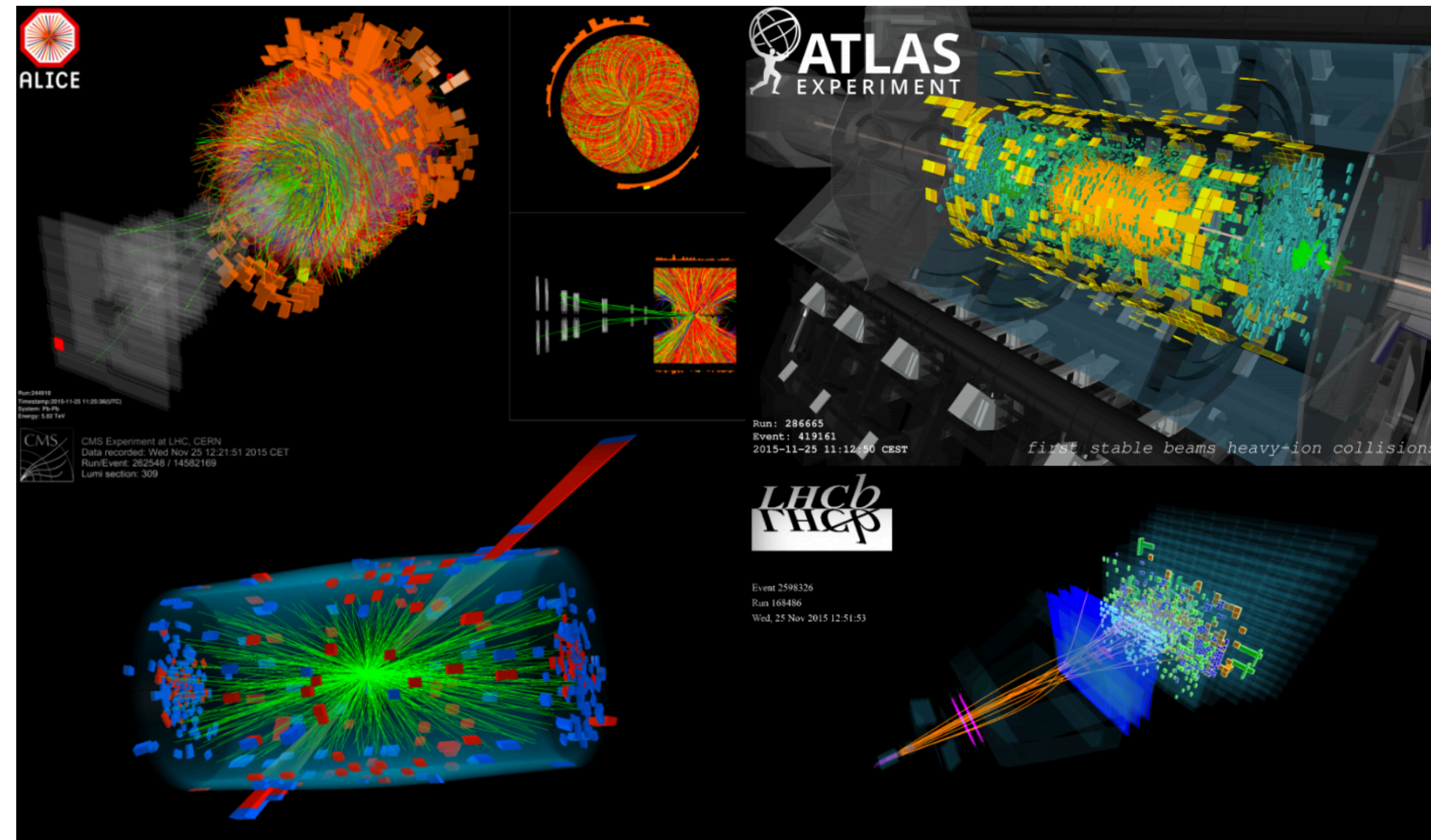
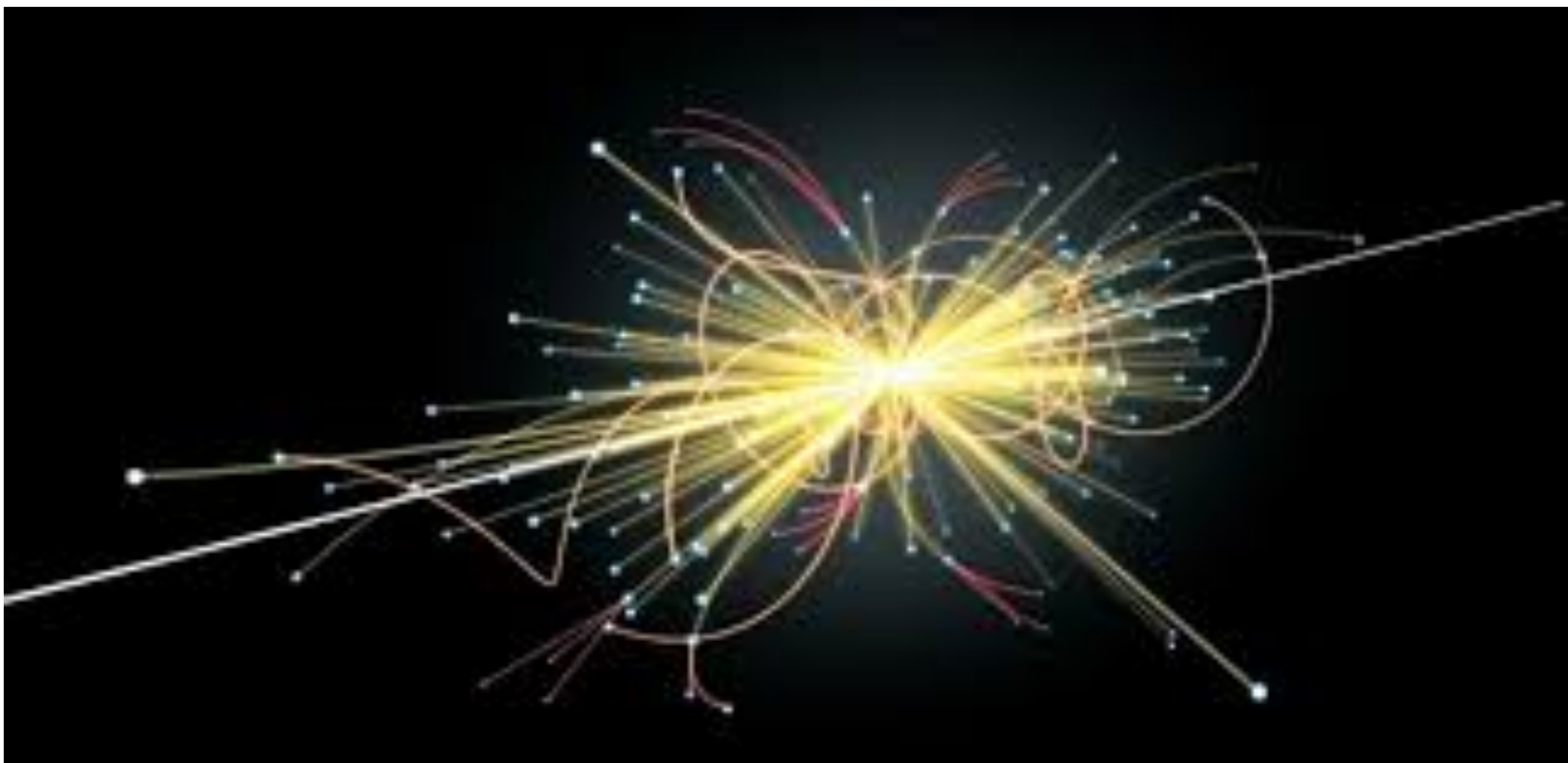
- Peripheral collision
 - Large **distance** between the centres of the nuclei
 - Small number of **participants**
 - Few charged particles produced (low multiplicity)
- Central collision
 - Small **distance** between the centres of the nuclei
 - Large number of **participants**
 - Many charged particles produced (high multiplicity)

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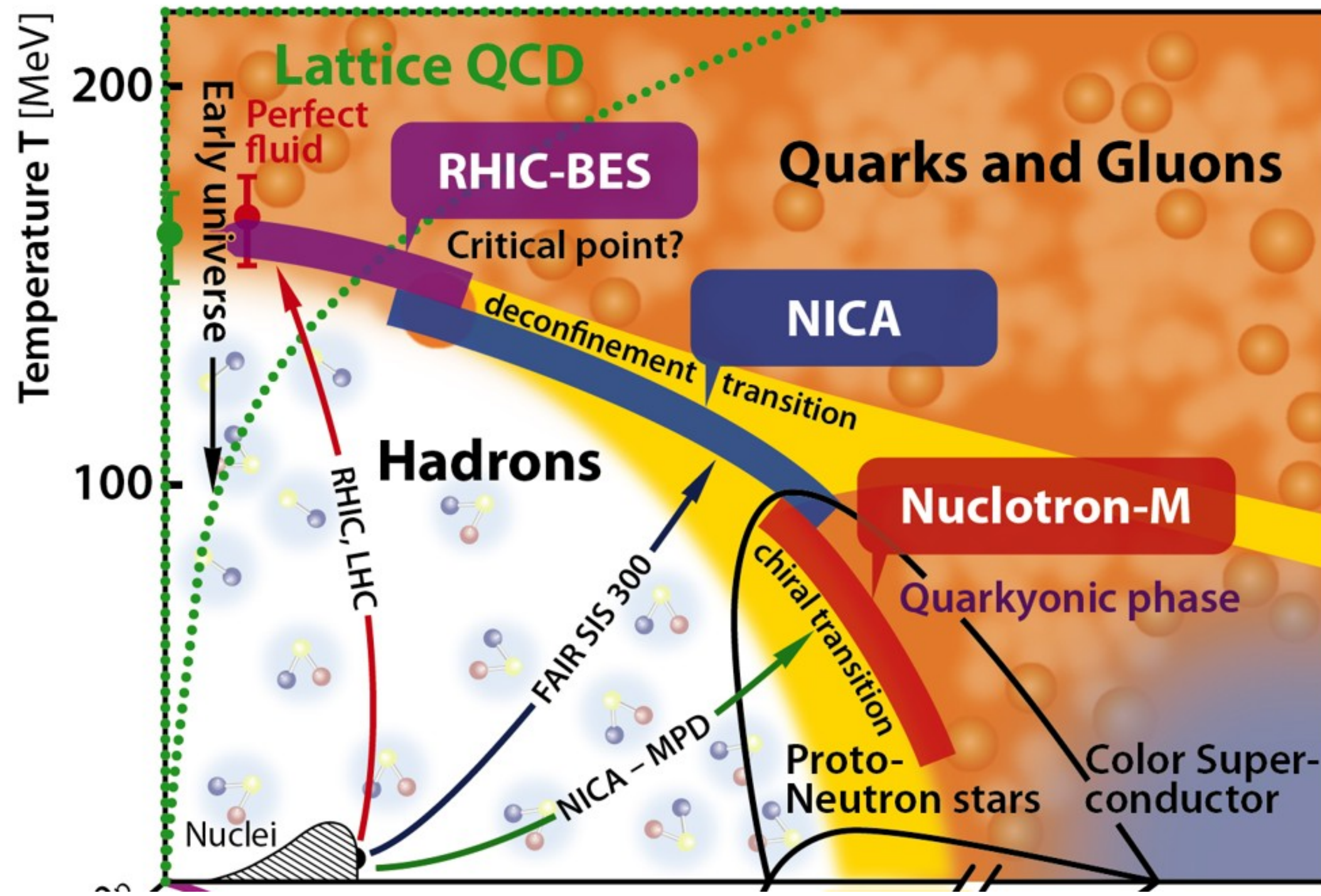
proton-proton

lead-lead



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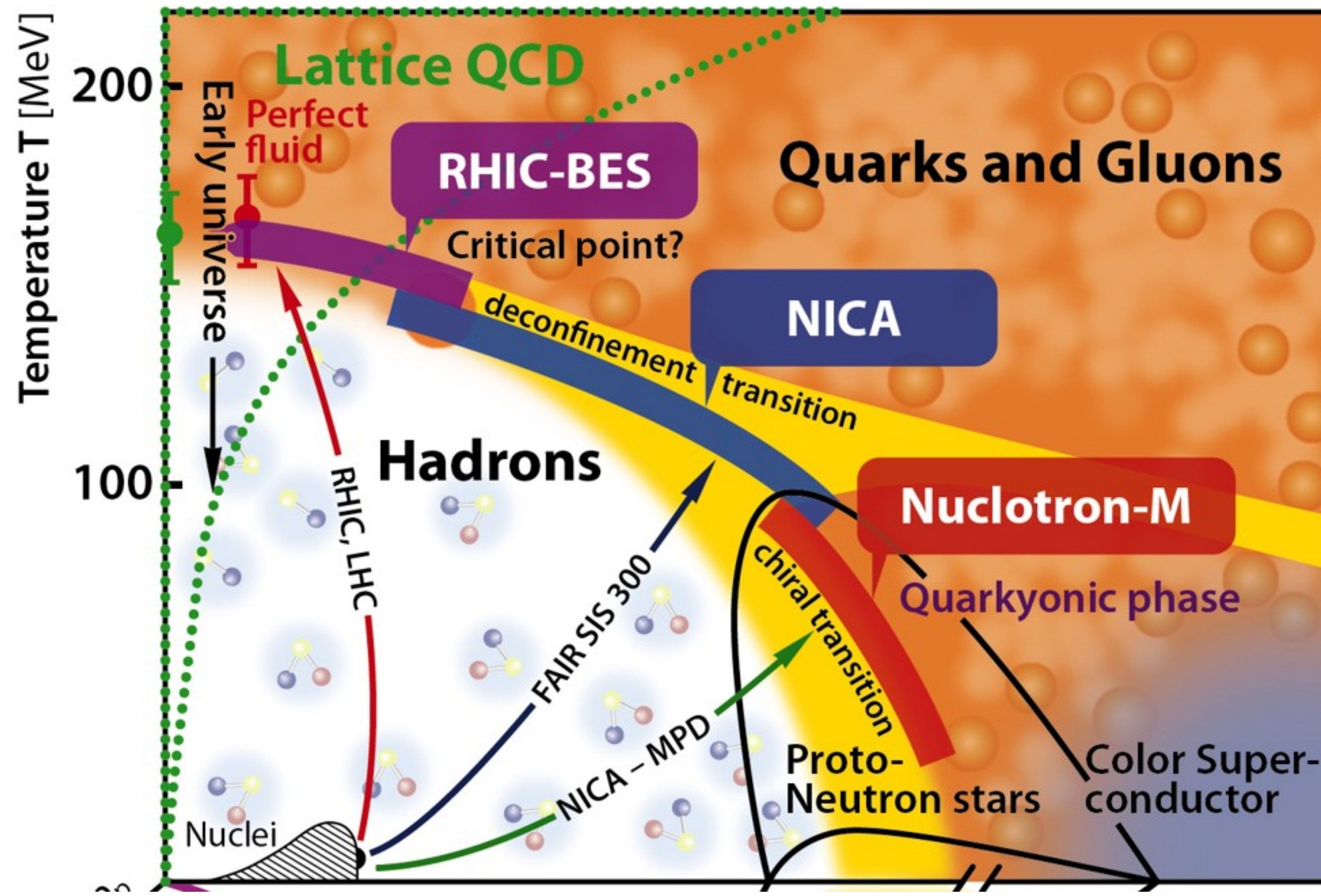
Feb 10, 2000:

"...The data provide evidence for colour deconfinement in the early collision stage and for a collective explosion of the collision fireball in its late stages. The new state of matter exhibits many of the characteristic features of the theoretically predicted Quark-Gluon Plasma."

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"The higher energies of RHIC and LHC are needed to complete the picture and provide a full characterization of the Quark-Gluon Plasma."

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RHIC's results:

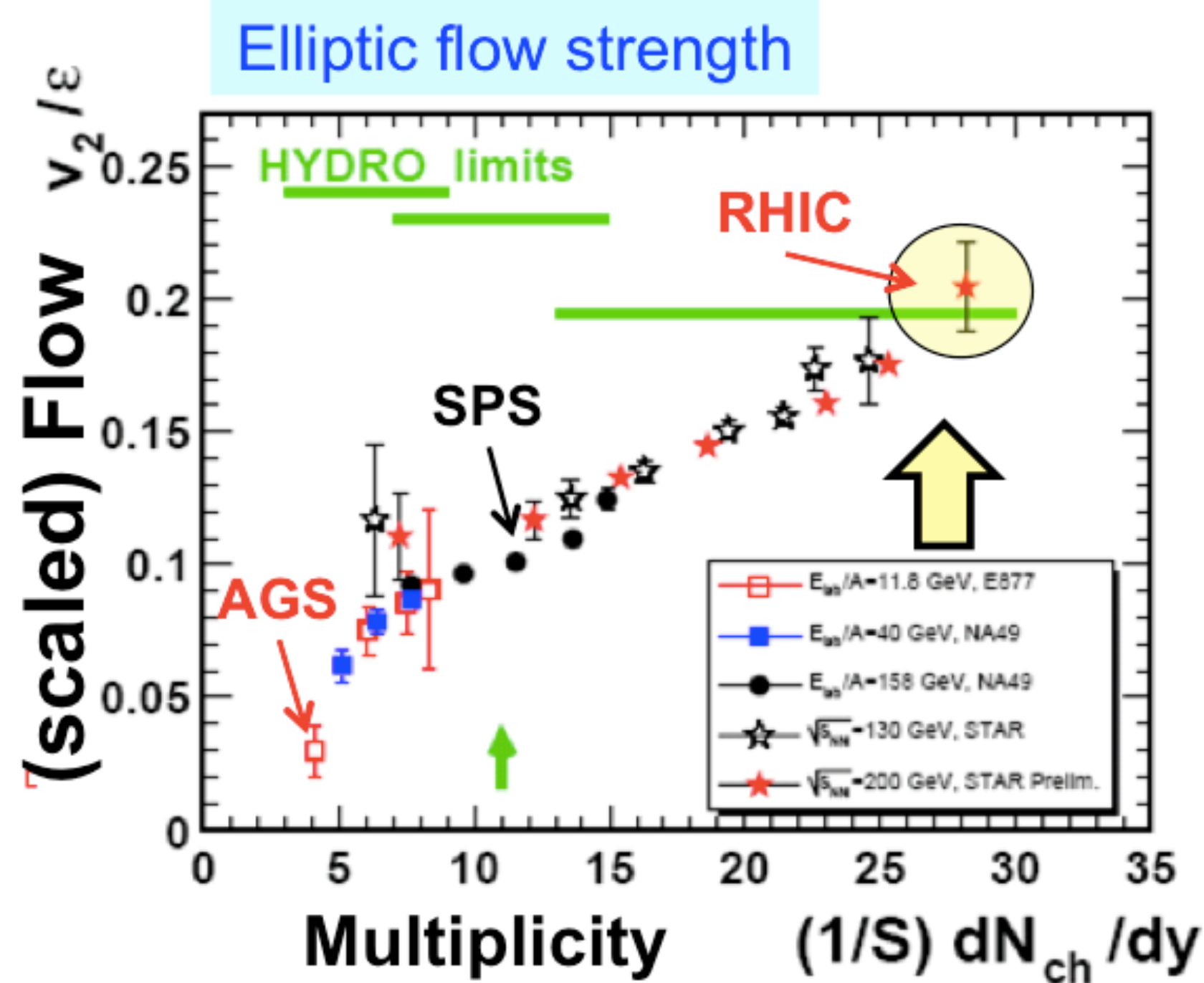
- **observation of strong “elliptic” flow** (Phys.Rev.Lett 86:402-407,2001)
- **observation of jet quenching** (suppression of hadrons with large p_T , Phys.Rev.Lett.88:022301,2002)

LHC's results

- **observation of long-range, near-side angular correlations in PbPb and pPb collisions** (Phys. Lett. B (718) 795-814)
- **hot and dense matter created in HIC behaves like a fluid with almost zero friction** (constrain on n/s , PRL 105, 252302 (2010))
- **enhanced production of multi-strange hadrons in high-multiplicity p-p collisions** (proton collisions present similar patterns to those observed in HIC, doi:10.1038/nphys4111)
- **angular correlations in photo-nuclear ultra peripheral Pb+Pb collisions** (26/01/2021, <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2101.10771.pdf>)

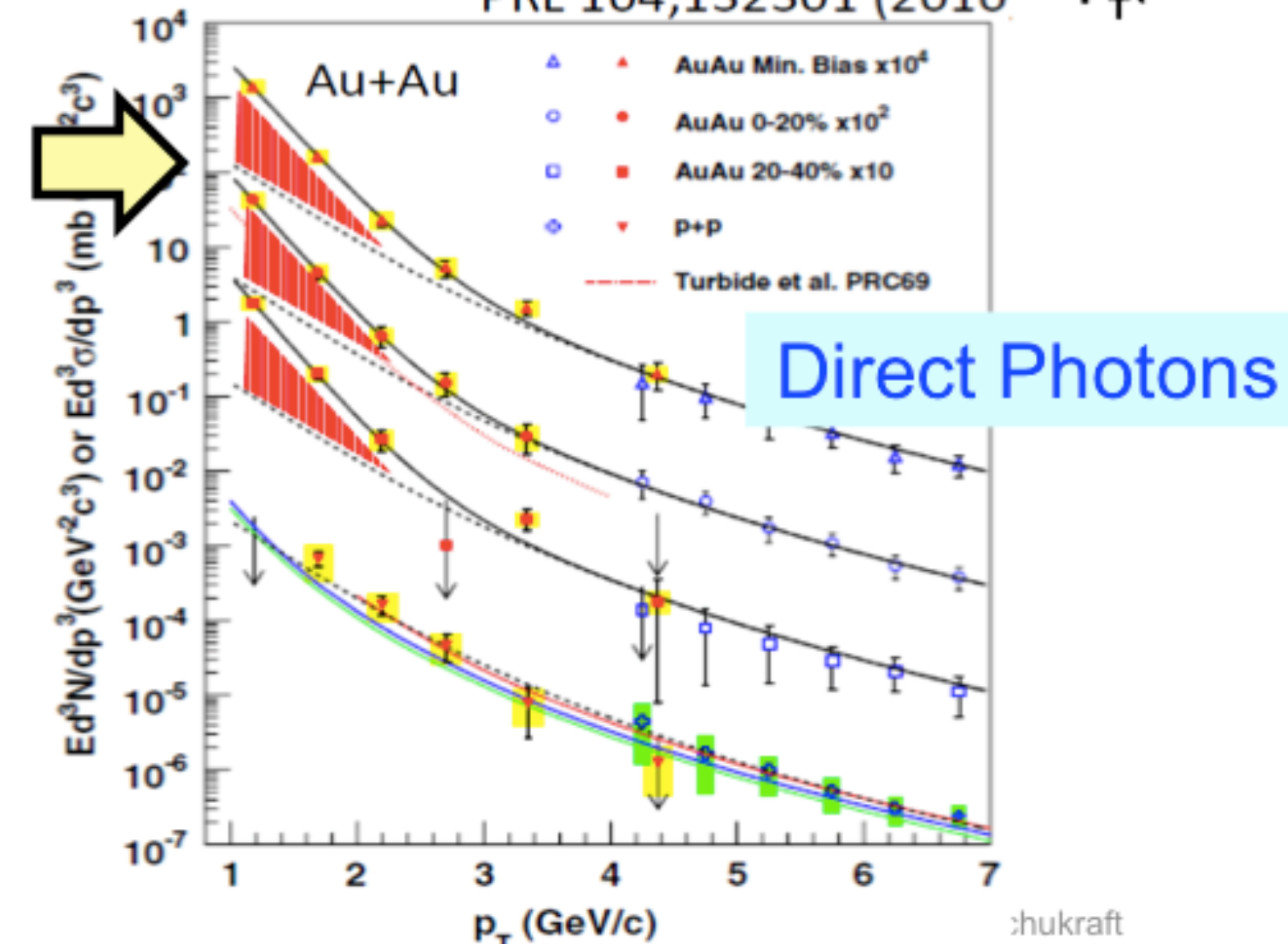
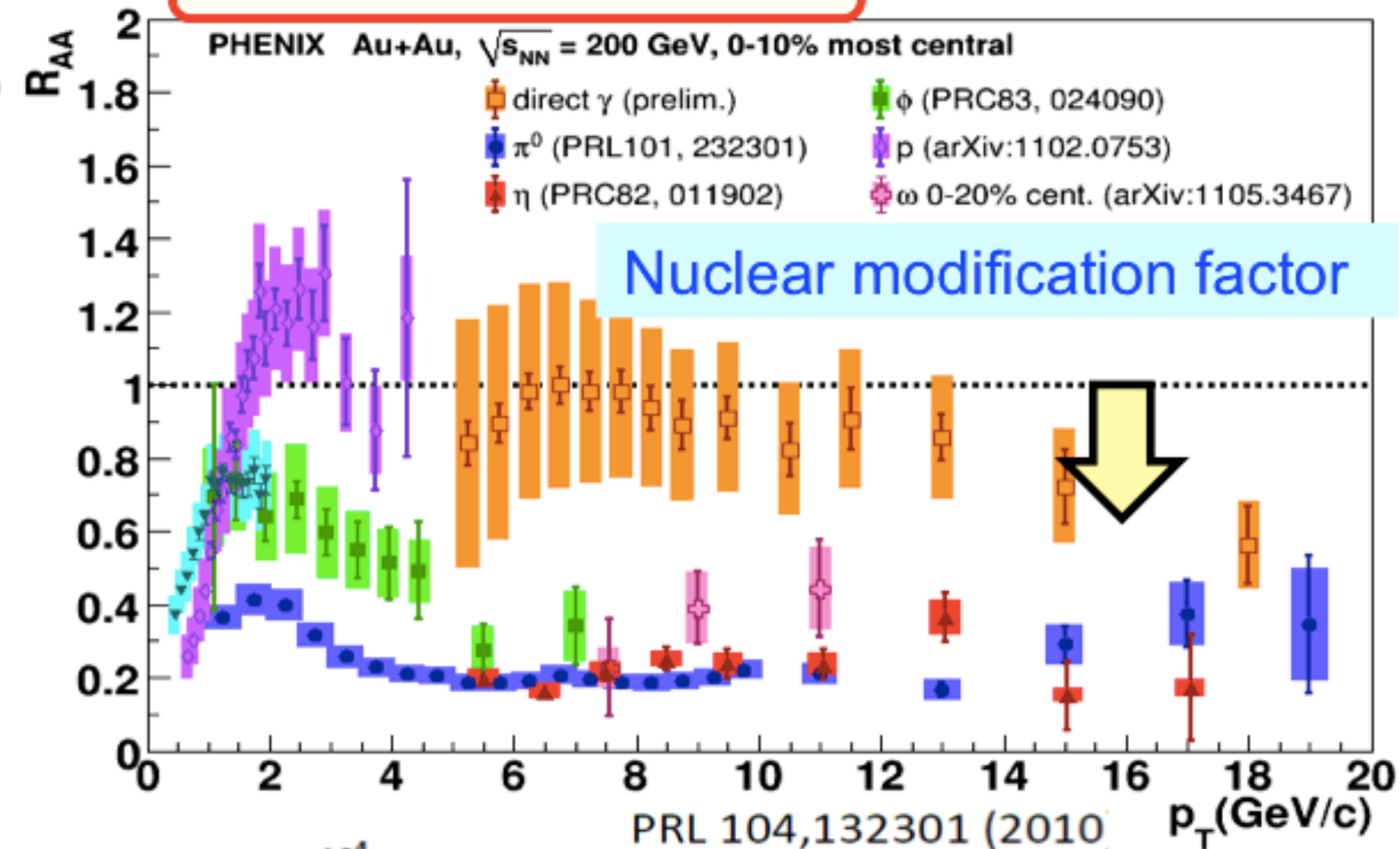
Main Results from RHIC

- strong elliptic flow
- ⇒ ~ maximum possible i.e. 'ideal liquid' ($\eta/s \approx 0$)
- ⇒ mostly produced in the early phase (partonic?)



- direct 'thermal' photons ⇒ 'hot matter'
- ⇒ data: inverse slope $T \sim 220 \pm 20$ MeV
- model dependent T_0 : 300 - 600 MeV

- high p_T suppression 'jet-quenching'
- ⇒ very strongly interacting (large energy loss)

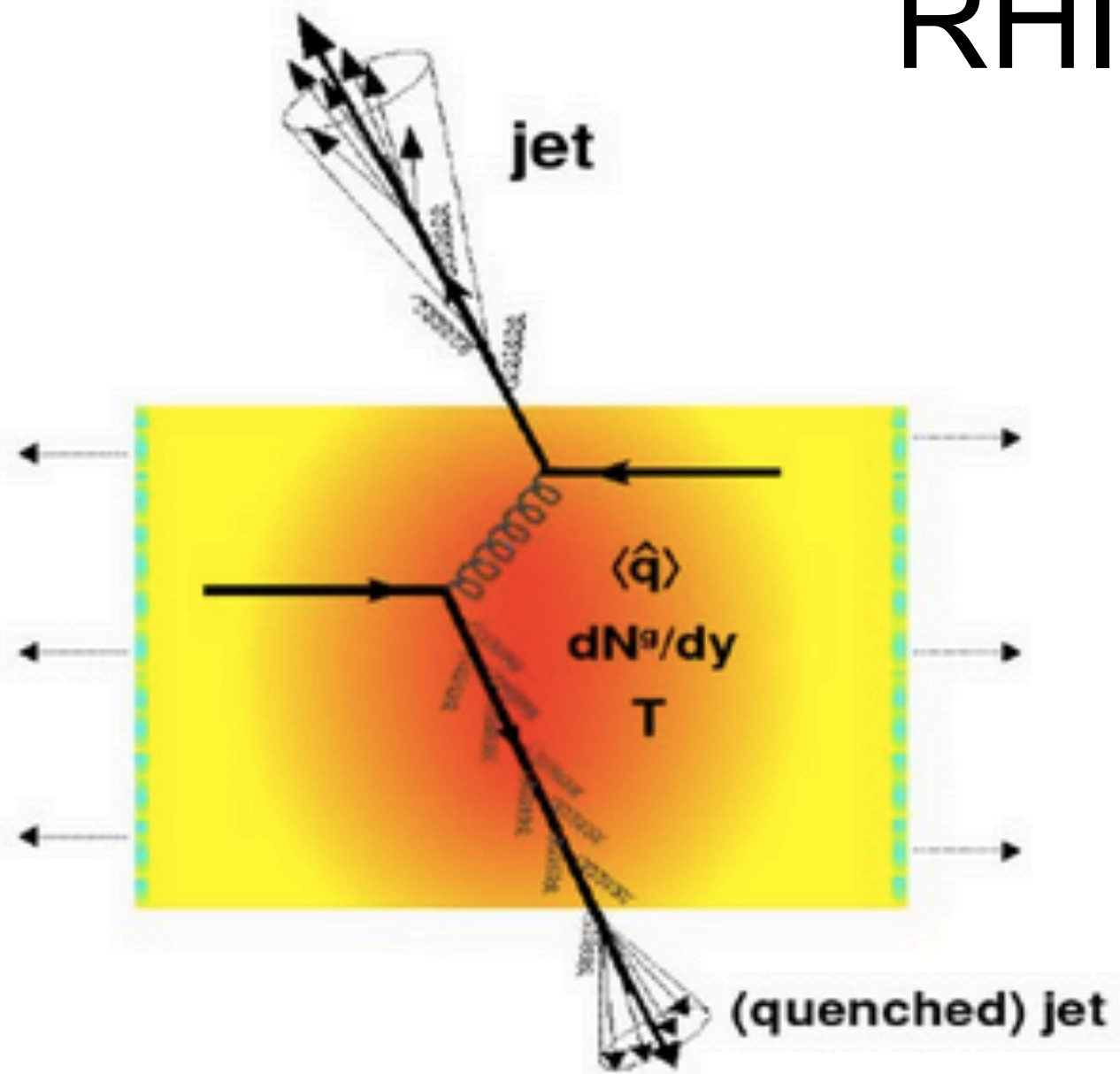


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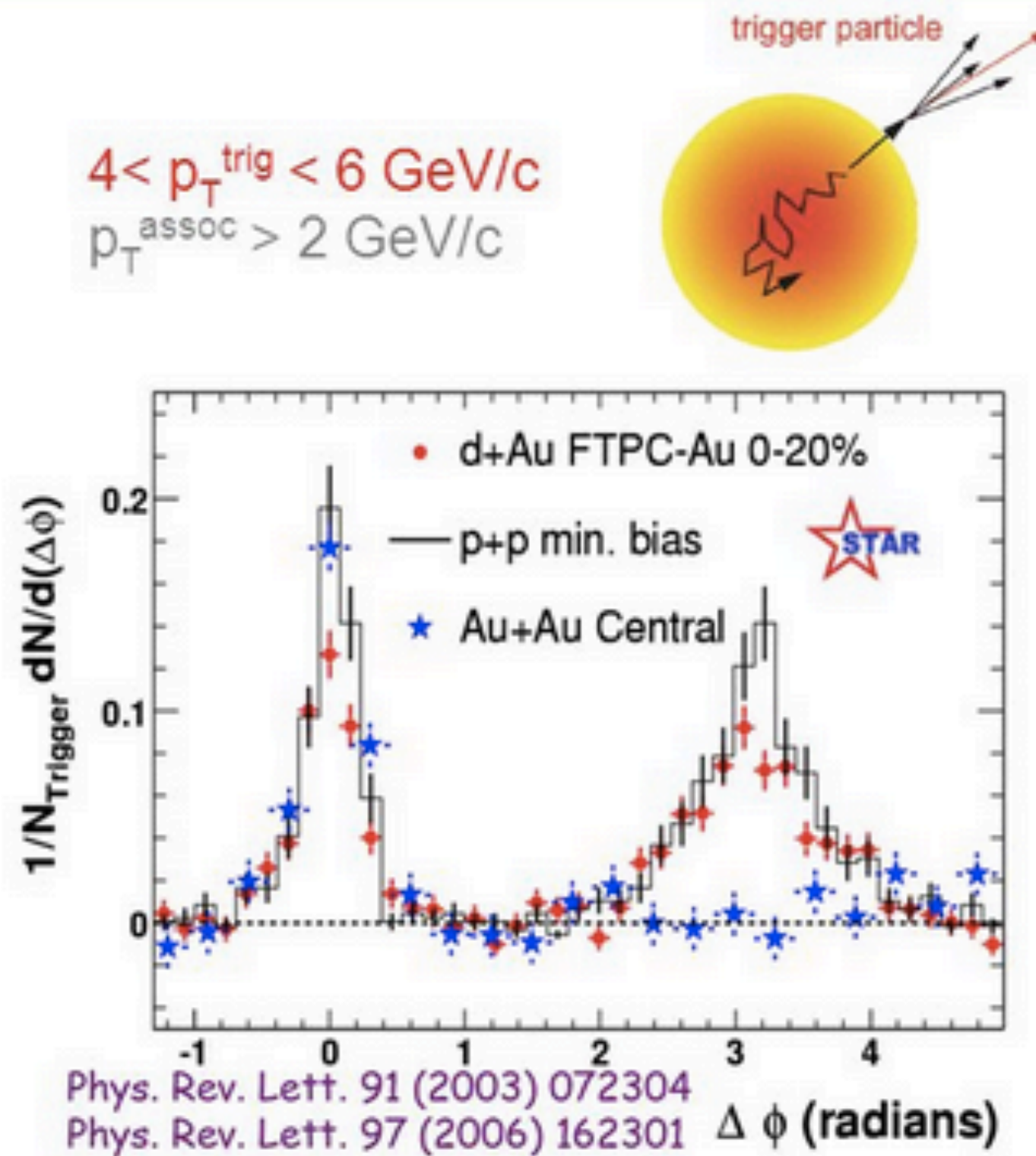


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RHIC



Jet-quenching
(Bjorken, 1982)

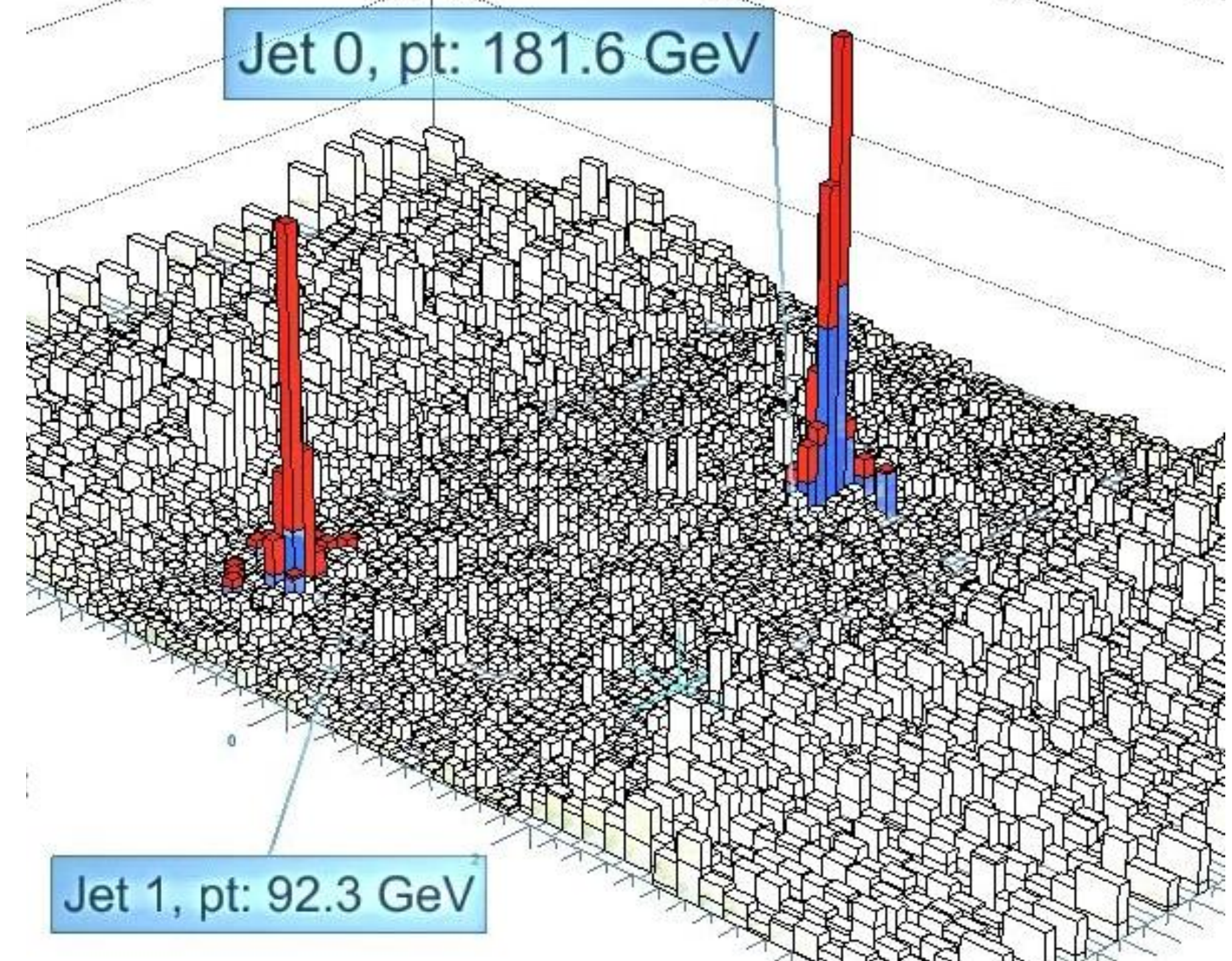


Indication of **jet quenching**:
 Suppression of high p_T particles



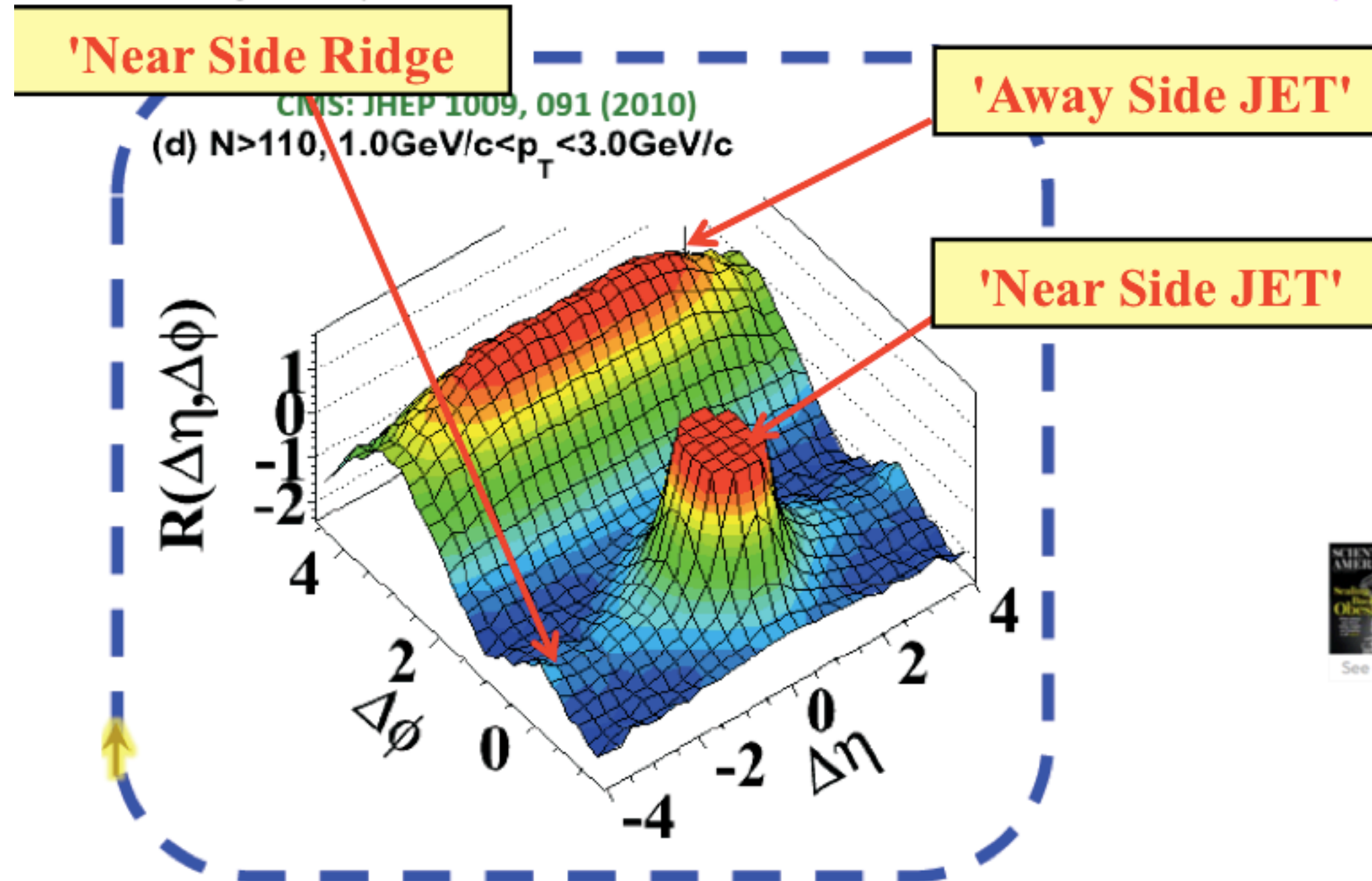
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LHC



Discovery

- The first LHC Discovery (pp, Sept 2010)
 - ⇒ long range rapidity 'ridge' in 2-particle correlations
 - ☆ visible in the highest multiplicity pp collisions
 - ☆ arguably still the most unexpected LHC discovery



Particles That Flock: Strange Synchronization Behavior at the Large Hadron Collider

Scientific American, February (2011)

Scientists at the Large Hadron Collider are trying to solve a puzzle of their own making: why particles sometimes fly in sync

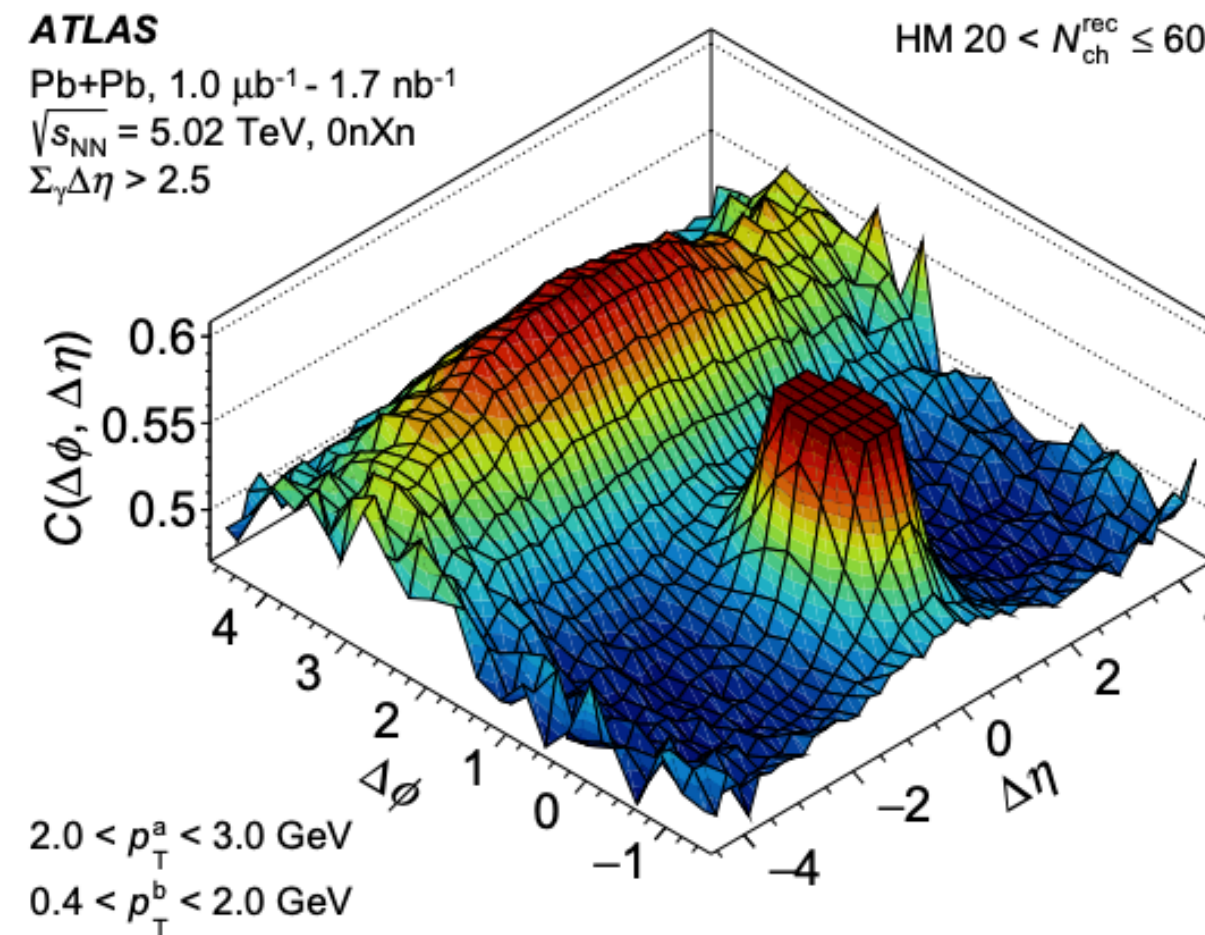
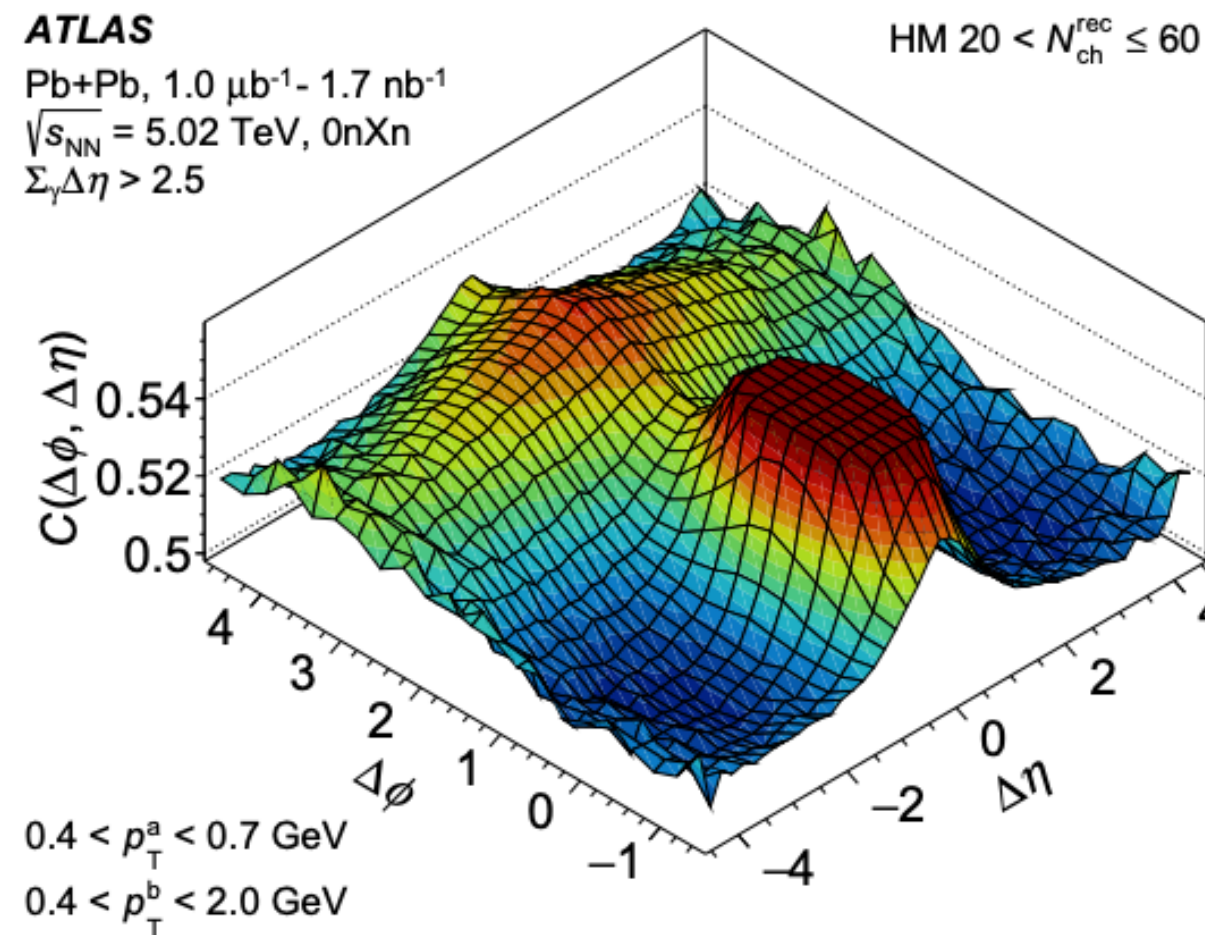
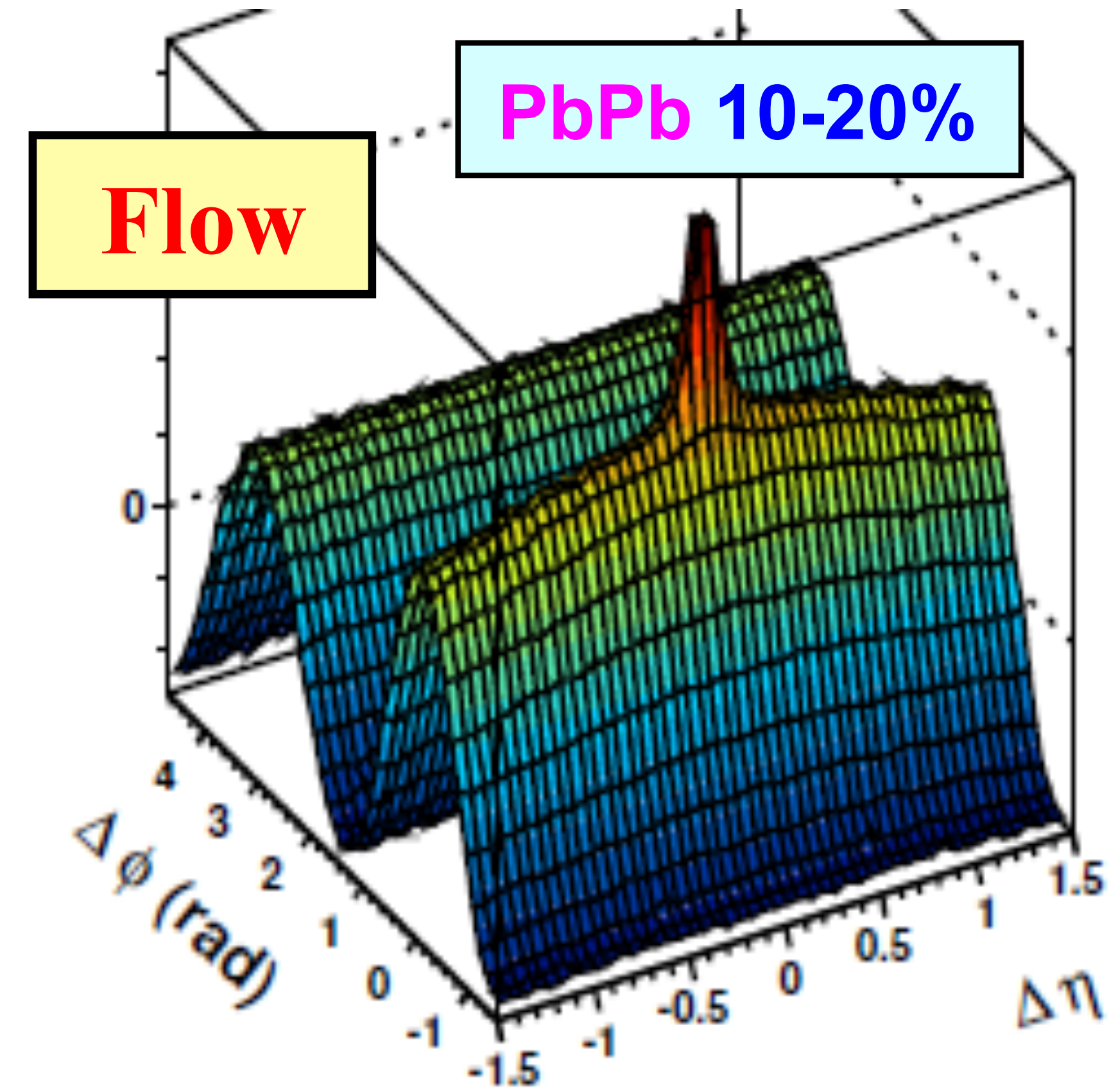
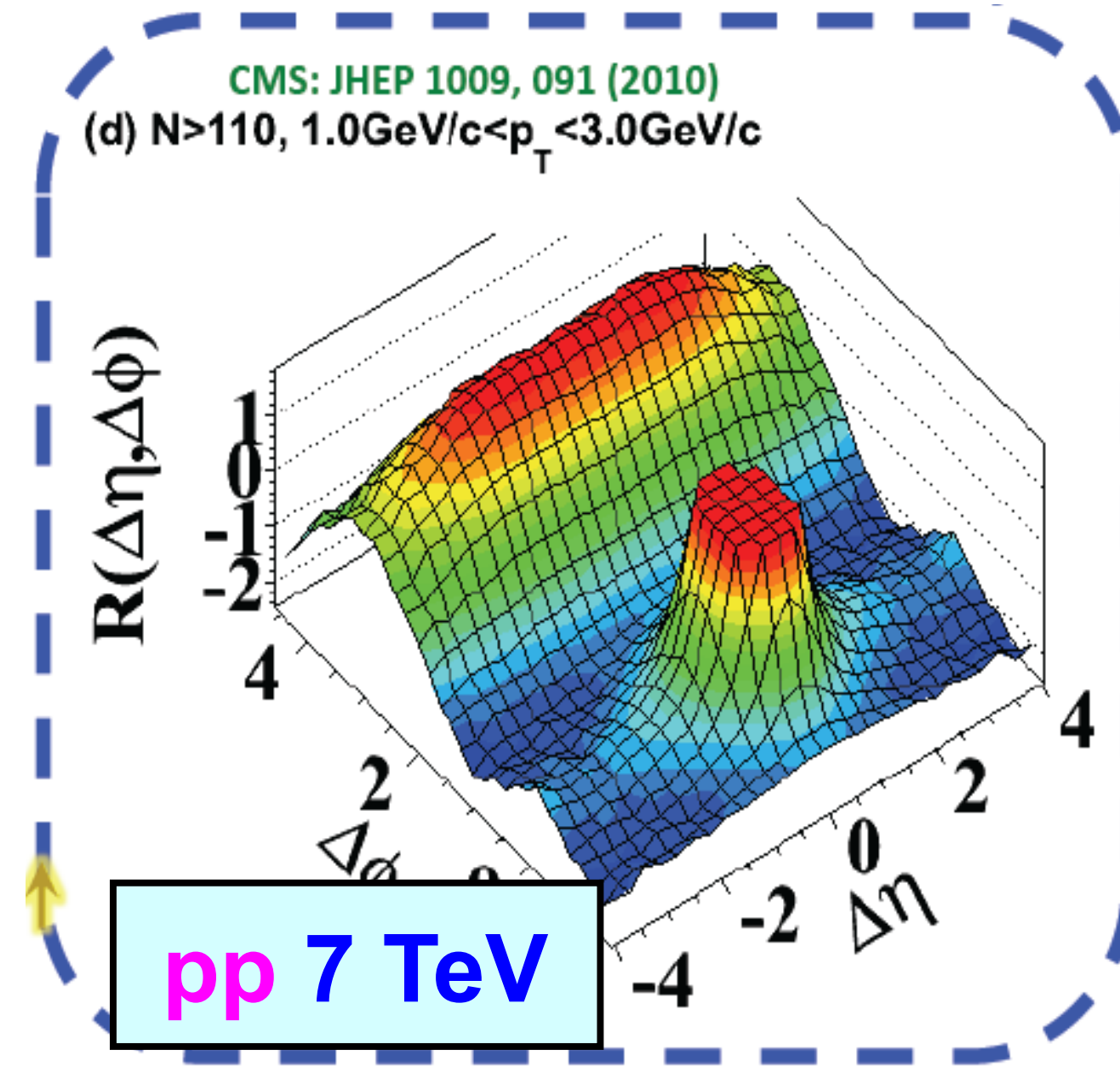
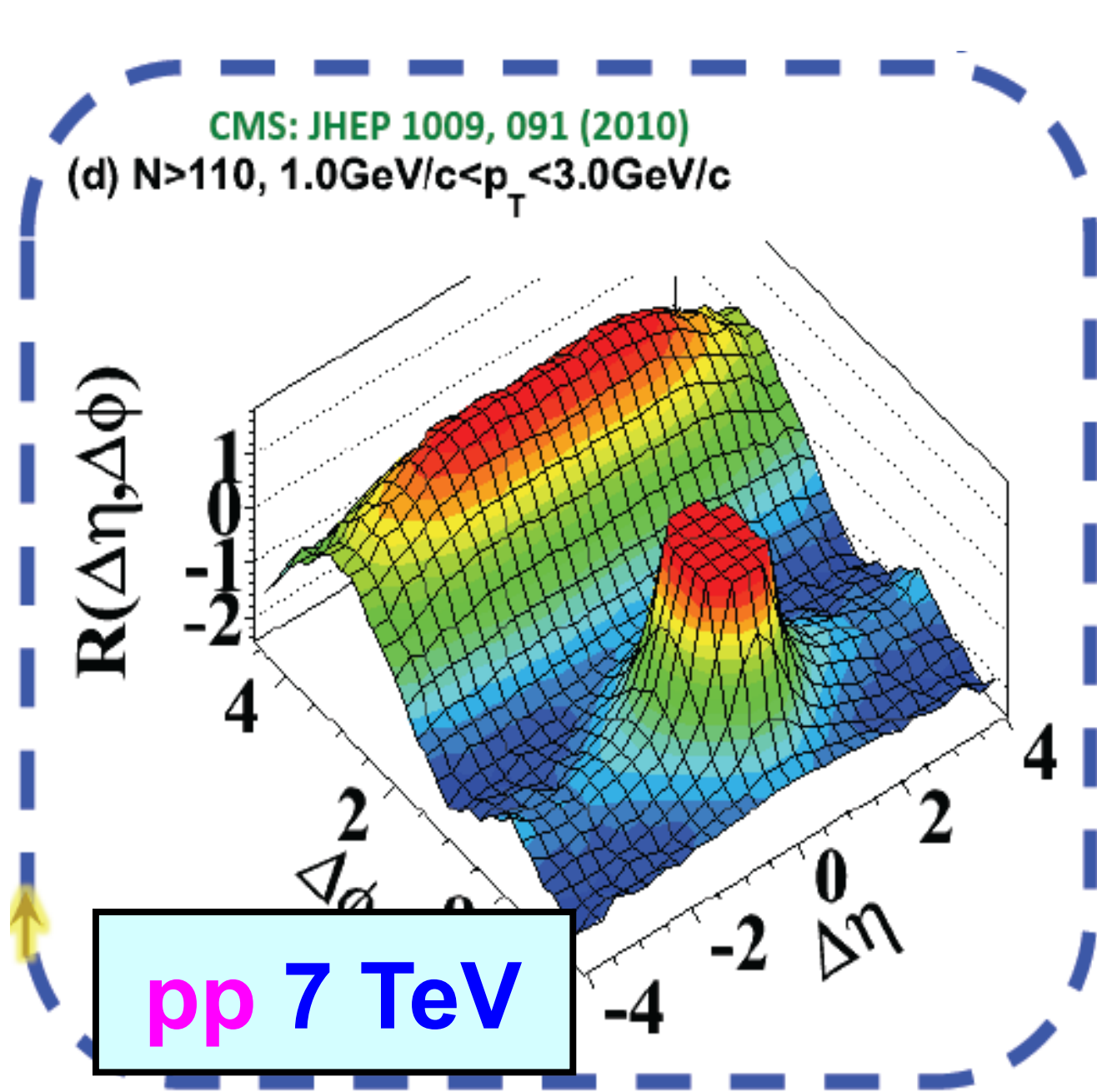
If we are here today it is because we didn't succeed to kill it.

We have therefore submitted the paper to expose our findings to the scrutiny of the scientific community at large.

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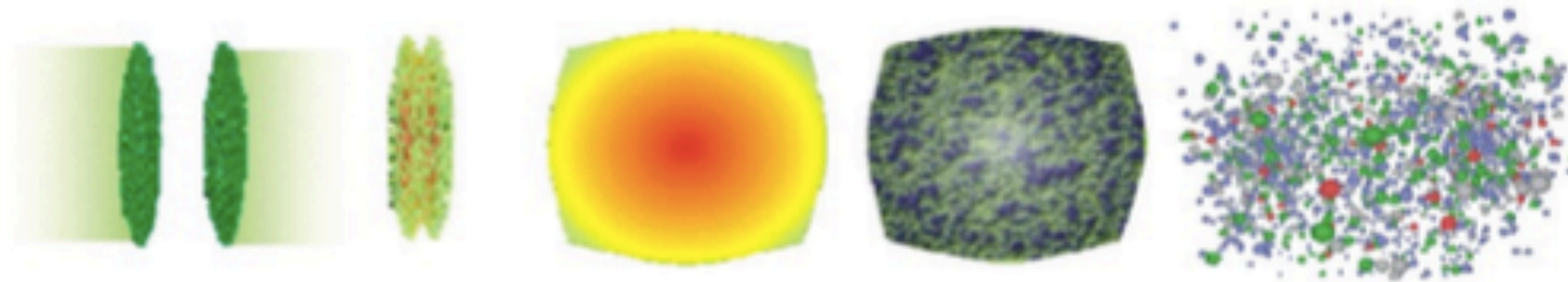
Pb+Pb 5.02 TeV (2021)

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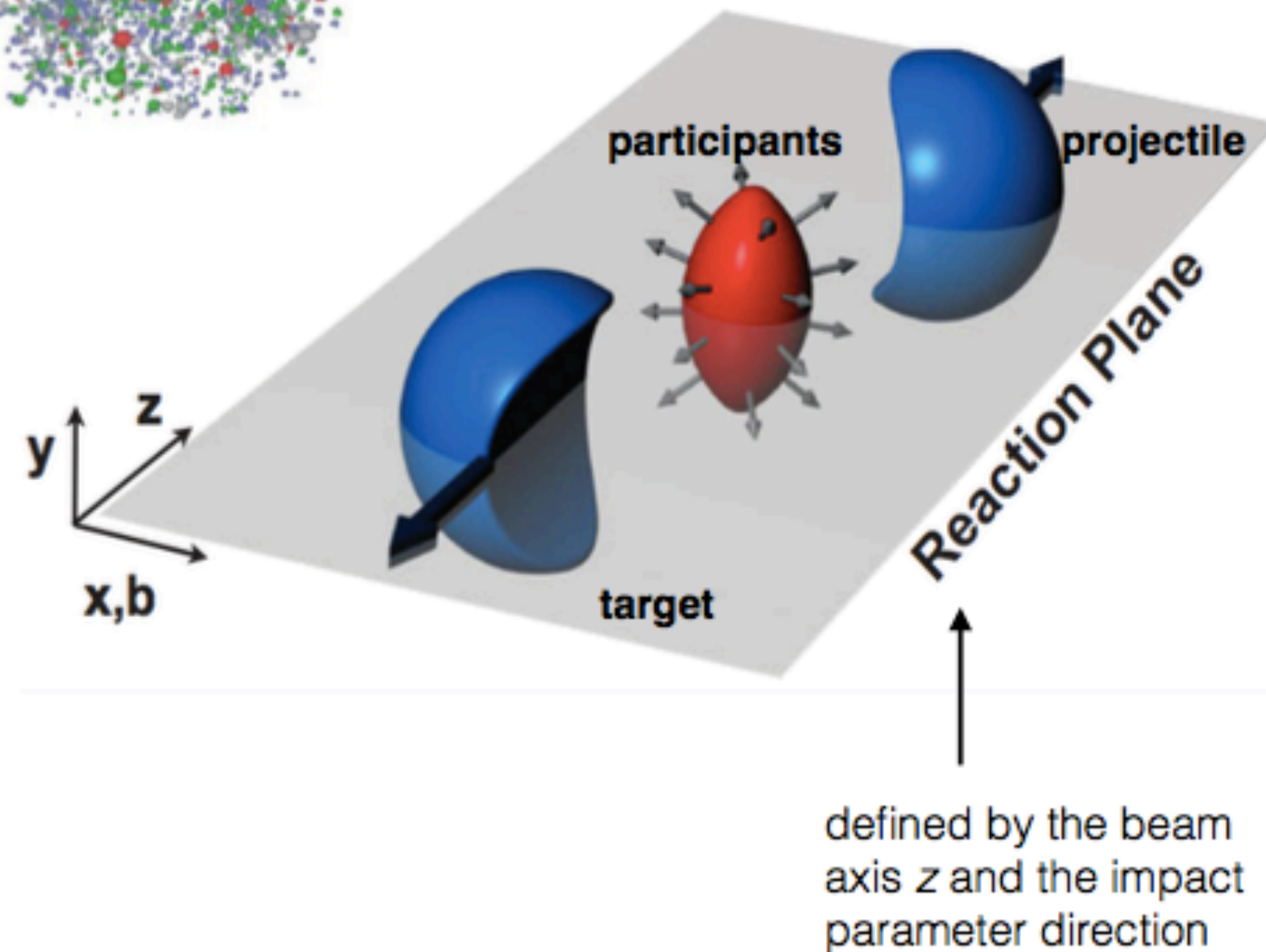
The azimuthal dependence for the particle yield can be written in the form of a Fourier series:

$$E \frac{d^3 N}{d^3 p} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 N}{p_t dp_t dy} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2v_n \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_R)] \right)$$

E : energy of the particle
 p : momentum
 p_t : transverse momentum
 ϕ : azimuthal angle
 Ψ_R : reaction plane angle
 v_n : differential flow (v_1 , directed flow and v_2 elliptic flow)



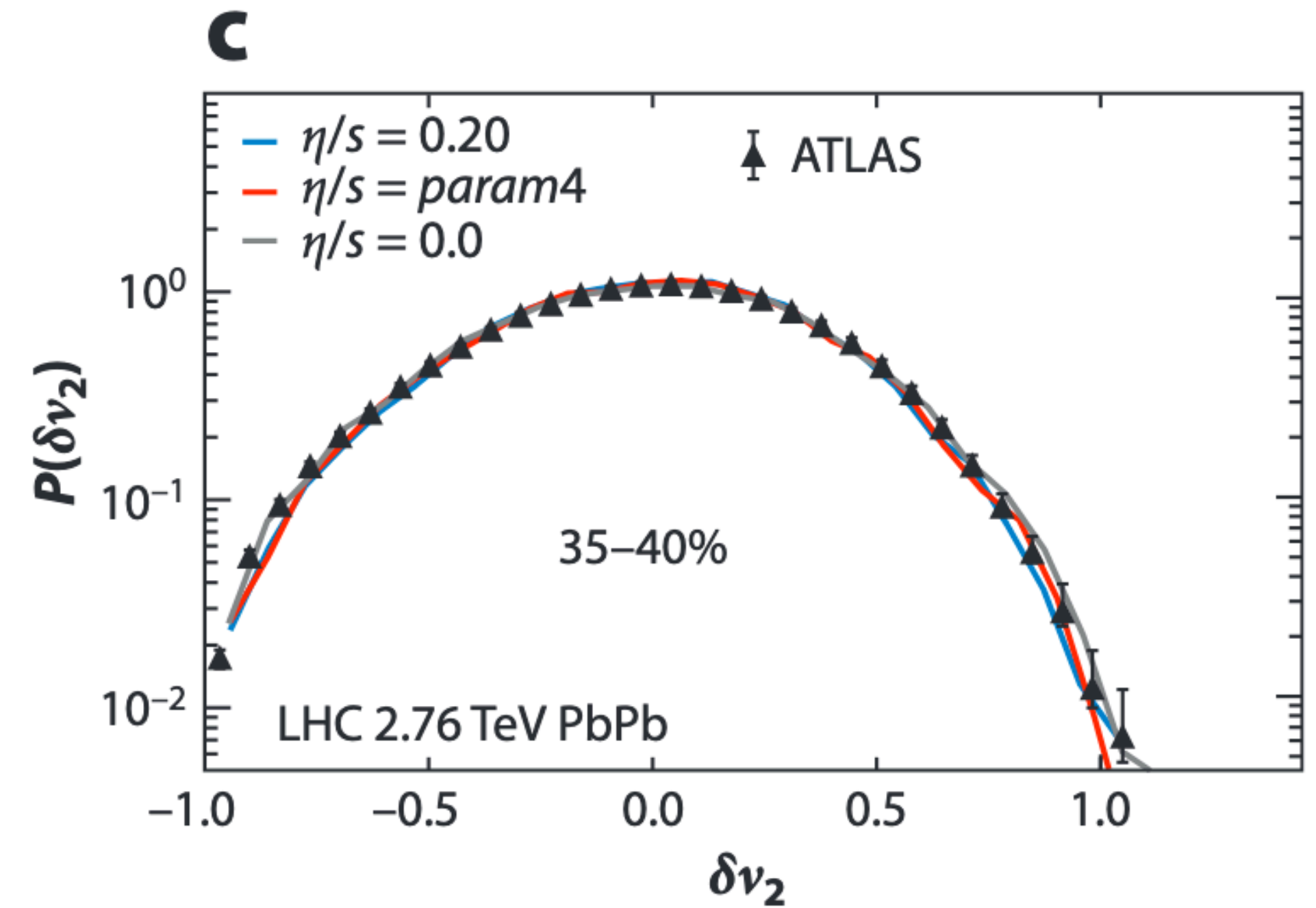
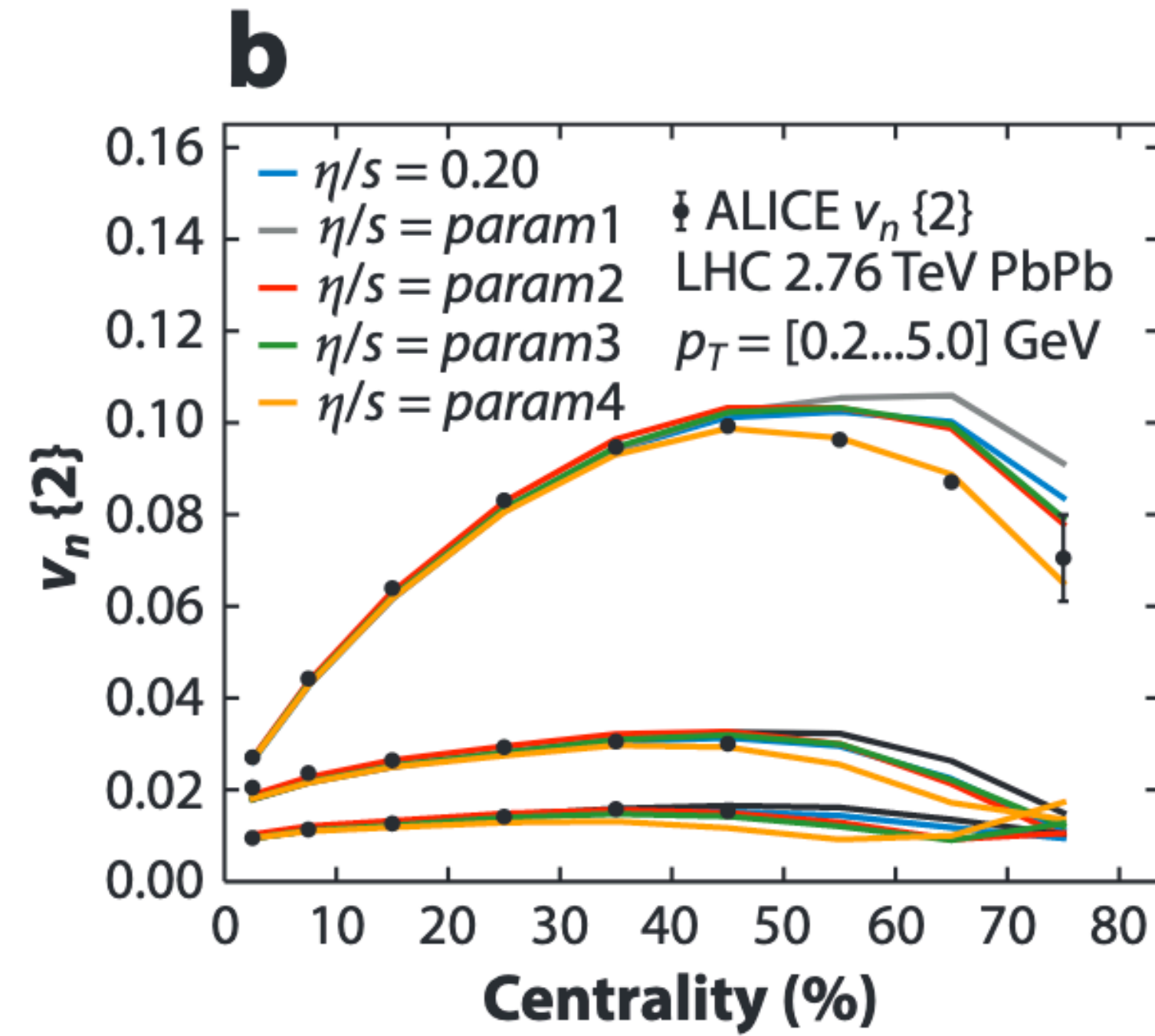
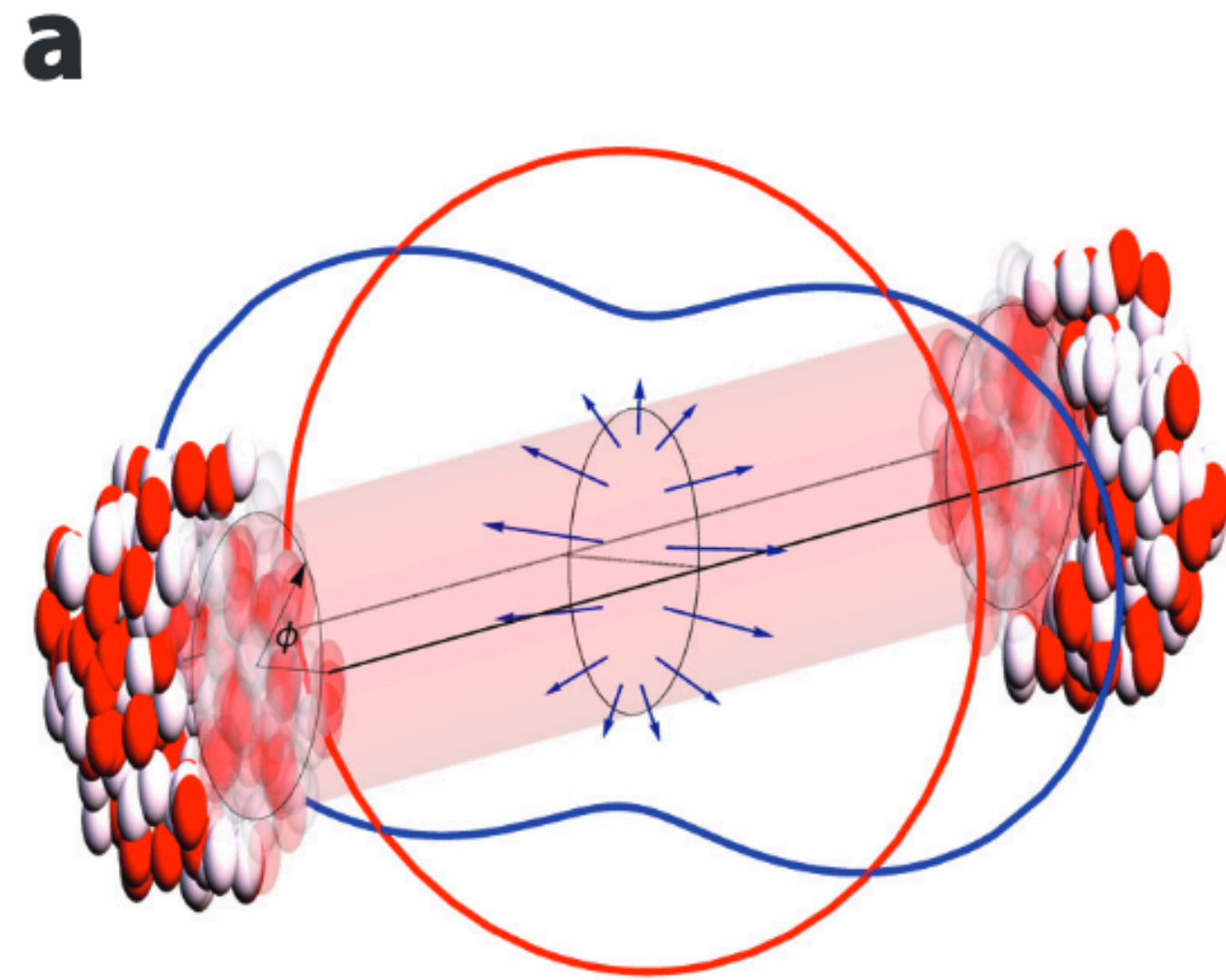
- Flow provides information on the equation state and the transport properties of matter created in a heavy-ion collision.
- Azimuthal anisotropy in particle production is the clearest experimental signature of collective flow.
- Elliptic flow depends on the ratio of shear viscosity to entropy ratio: η/s .
- Measurements of elliptic flow at RHIC revealed that hot and dense matter created in the collision there flows as a good fluid (almost no friction)



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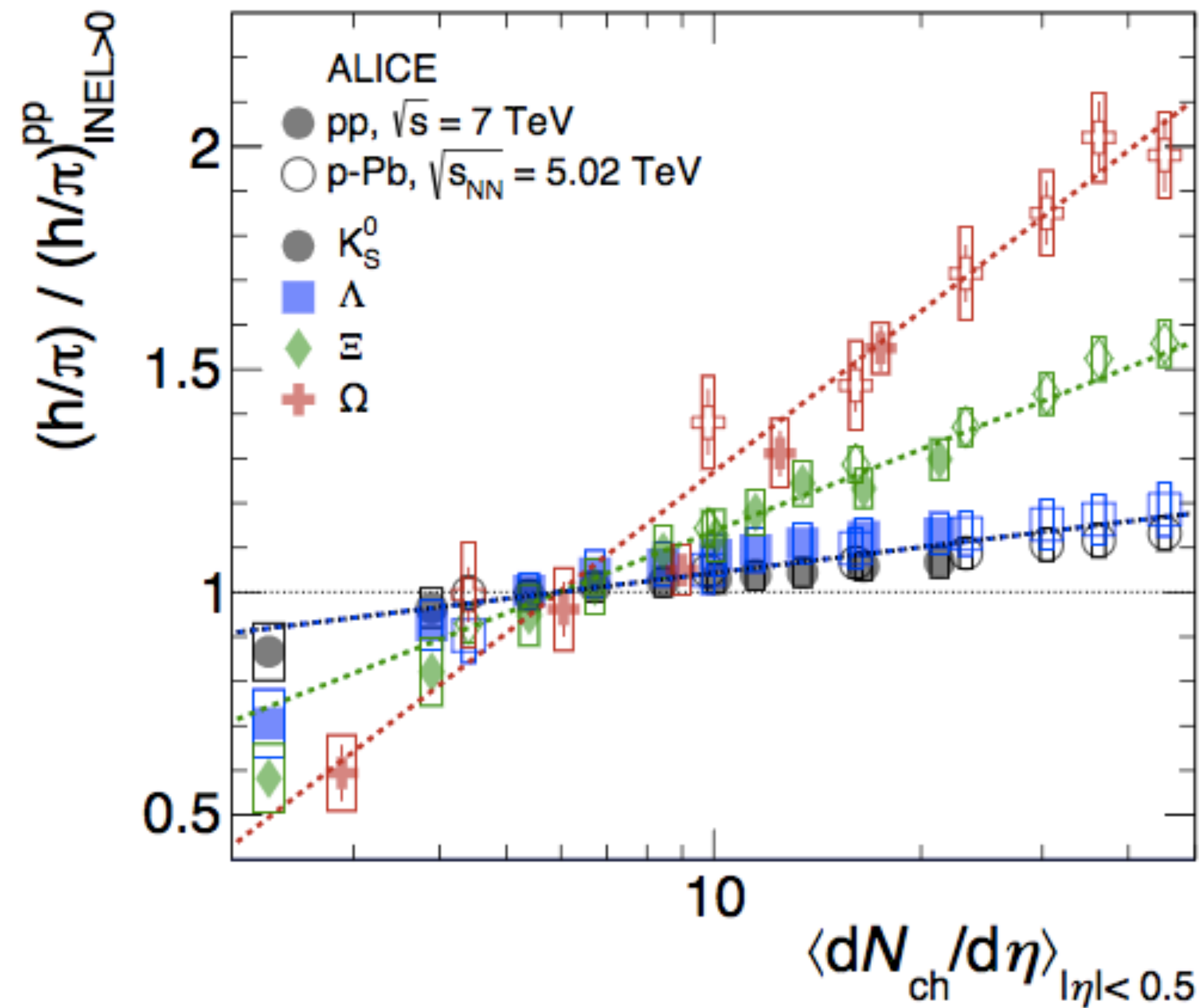
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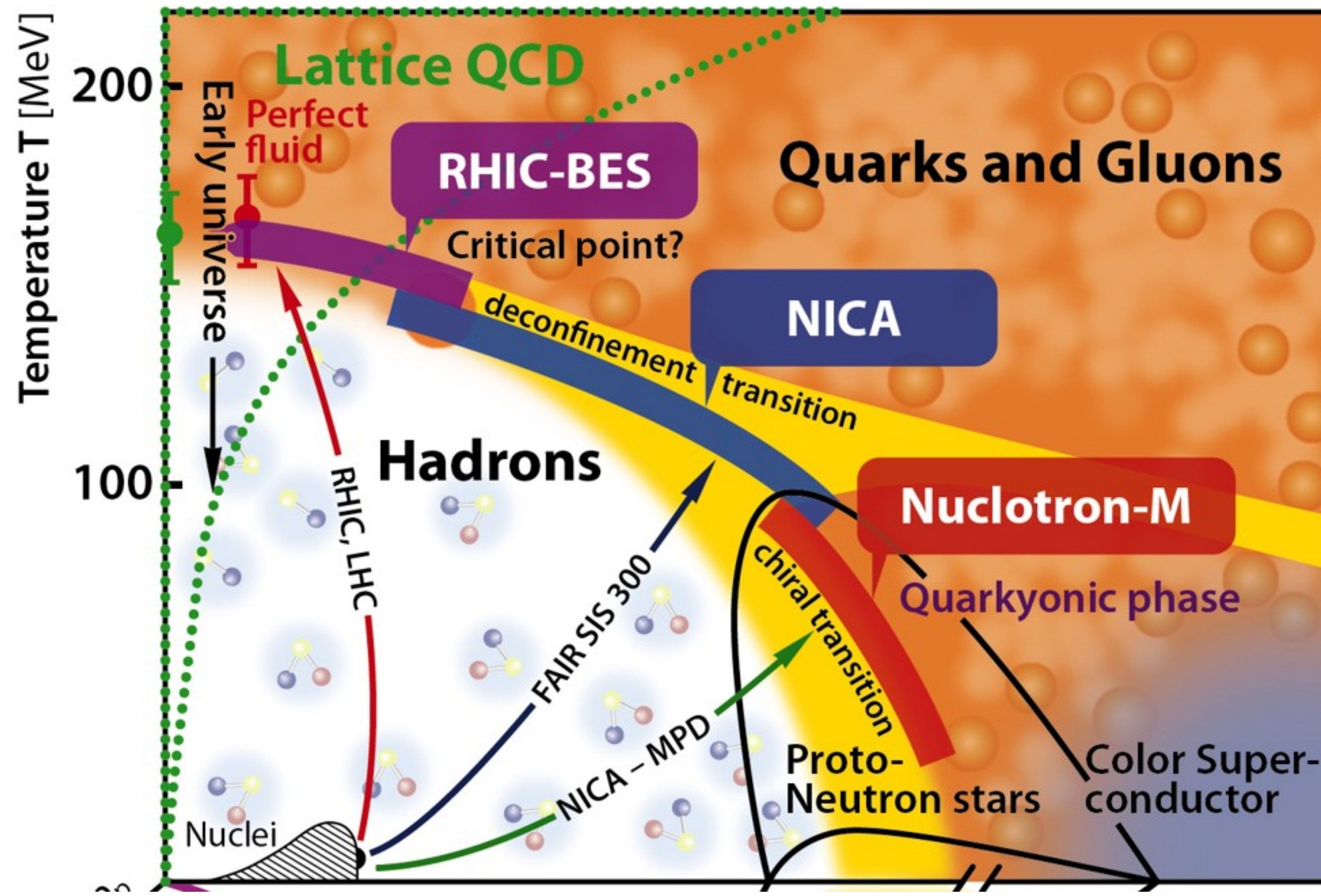
The p_T spectra become harder as the multiplicity increases.

The mass and multiplicity dependences of the spectral shapes are reminiscent of the patterns seen in $p\text{-Pb}$ and Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC, which can be understood assuming a collective expansion of the system in the final state.

The data show for the first time in pp collisions that the p_T integrated yields of strange and multi-strange particles relative to pions increase significantly with multiplicity. These particle ratios are similar to those found in $p\text{-Pb}$ collisions at the same multiplicity densities.

Introduction

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Main NICA targets

- study of hot and dense baryonic matter
- investigation of nucleon spin structure, polarization phenomena

Energy range of NICA \rightarrow unexplored region of the QCD phase diagram

- highest net baryon density
- onset of deconfinement phase transition

discovery potential

- Critical End Point (CEP)
- Chiral symmetry restoration
- hypothetic quarkonic phase

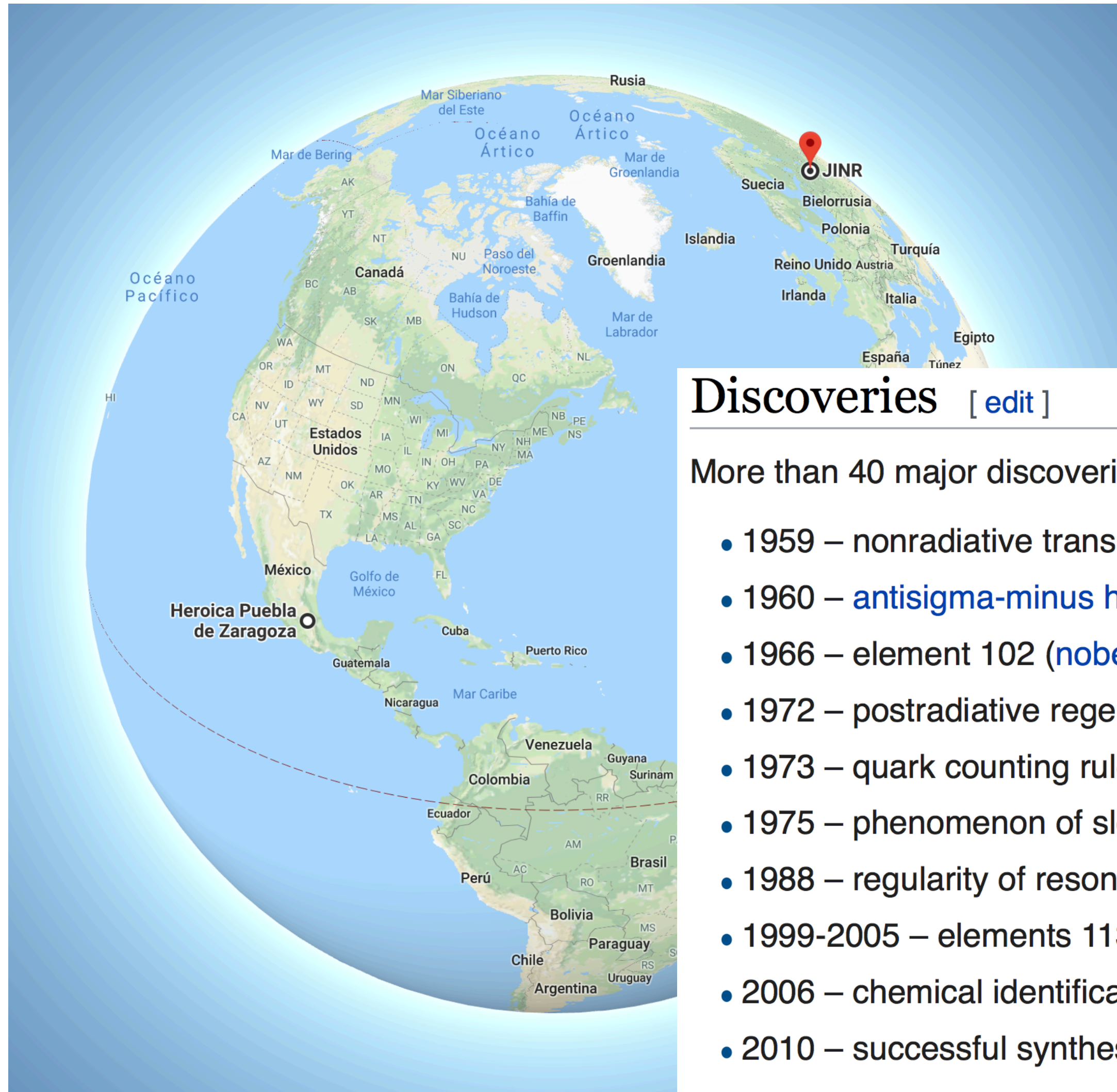
complementary to

- RHIC/BES, NA61/CERN, CBM/FAIR and Nuclotron-M experimental programs

MPD-NICA experiment at JINR



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Founded in 1956 (2 years after CERN foundation)

Discoveries [\[edit \]](#)

More than 40 major discoveries have been made.

- 1959 – nonradiative transitions in **mesoatoms**
- 1960 – **antisigma-minus hyperon**
- 1966 – element 102 (**nobelium**)
- 1972 – postradiative regeneration of cells
- 1973 – quark counting rule
- 1975 – phenomenon of slow neutron confinement
- 1988 – regularity of resonant formation of muonic molecules in deuterium
- 1999-2005 – elements 113 (**nihonium**), 114 (**flerovium**), 115 (**moscovium**), 116 (**livermorium**), and 118 (**oganesson**)
- 2006 – chemical identification of element 112 (**copernicium**)
- 2010 – successful synthesis of element 117 (**tennessine**)^[5]

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NICA (Nuclotron based Ion Collider Facility)



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Main targets:

- ◆ *study of hot and dense baryonic matter at the energy range of **max net baryonic density***
- ◆ *investigation of nucleon spin structure, polarization phenomena*



- ◆ *modernization of existing accelerator facility*
- ◆ *construction of **Collider** to collide*
 - *relativistic ions from **p** to **Au** at energy range $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 4 - 11$ GeV*
 - *polarized **p** and **d** at energy up to $\sqrt{S} = 27$ GeV (**p**)*

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basic facility

2 major milestones in 2018

BM@N the first physics run

Target, Recoil detector
GEM detector planes
RPC - multi resistive plate chambers
Pad Chambers
DCH - d...
ZDC - zero degree calorimeter
mRPC - multi resistive plate chambers
Analyzing Magnet

starting Booster assembly & commissioning

MPD

SPD

MPD (Detector)

E-cooling

Collider ring (c=503 m)

Nuclotron ring (c=251,5 m)

Center NICA

MPD

TOF
ZDC
ECT
Yoke
BBC
Cryostat
IT

October 29, 2018

V.Kekelidze, II Collaboration

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Nuclotron-based
Ion Collider fAcility

NICA (Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility) is a new accelerator complex designed at the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (Dubna, Russia) to study properties of dense baryonic matter.

After putting the NICA collider into operation JINR scientists will be able to create in the Laboratory a special state of matter in which our Universe stayed shortly after the Big Bang – the Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP).

Start of the construction: 2013.

Commissioning: 2020.

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NICA will provide beams of ions over a wide range of atomic masses (from p to Au) at average luminosity of 10^{27} cm⁻²s⁻¹ for gold-gold collisions and 10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹ for proton-proton collisions. The center-of-mass energy will be between 4 to 11 GeV for Au+Au and up to 27 GeV for p+p.

Experimental data on hadron production properties at SPS suggest that this transition occurs within the NICA energy range.

Theoretical calculations indicate that the deconfinement phase transition can be accomplished by partial restoration of the chiral symmetry in heavy-ion collisions leading to possible modifications of hadronic spectral functions in dense hadronic matter.

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Nuclotron-based
Ion Collider Facility

After the collision of two heavy-ion nuclei,

- the matter behaves as a thermalized system
- the hot fireballs cools down \rightarrow particle production tracing a trajectory on phase diagram (maybe close to the critical point)
- key study \rightarrow event by event fluctuations of physical observables of particles in its final state.

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Ion Collider Facility

- event-by-event fluctuation in hadron productions (multiplicity, Pt etc.);
- femtoscopic correlation;
- directed and elliptic flows for various hadrons;
- multi-strange hyperon production (including hypernuclei): yield and spectra (the probes of nuclear media phases);
- photon and electron probes
- charge asymmetry

Where would this happen ?

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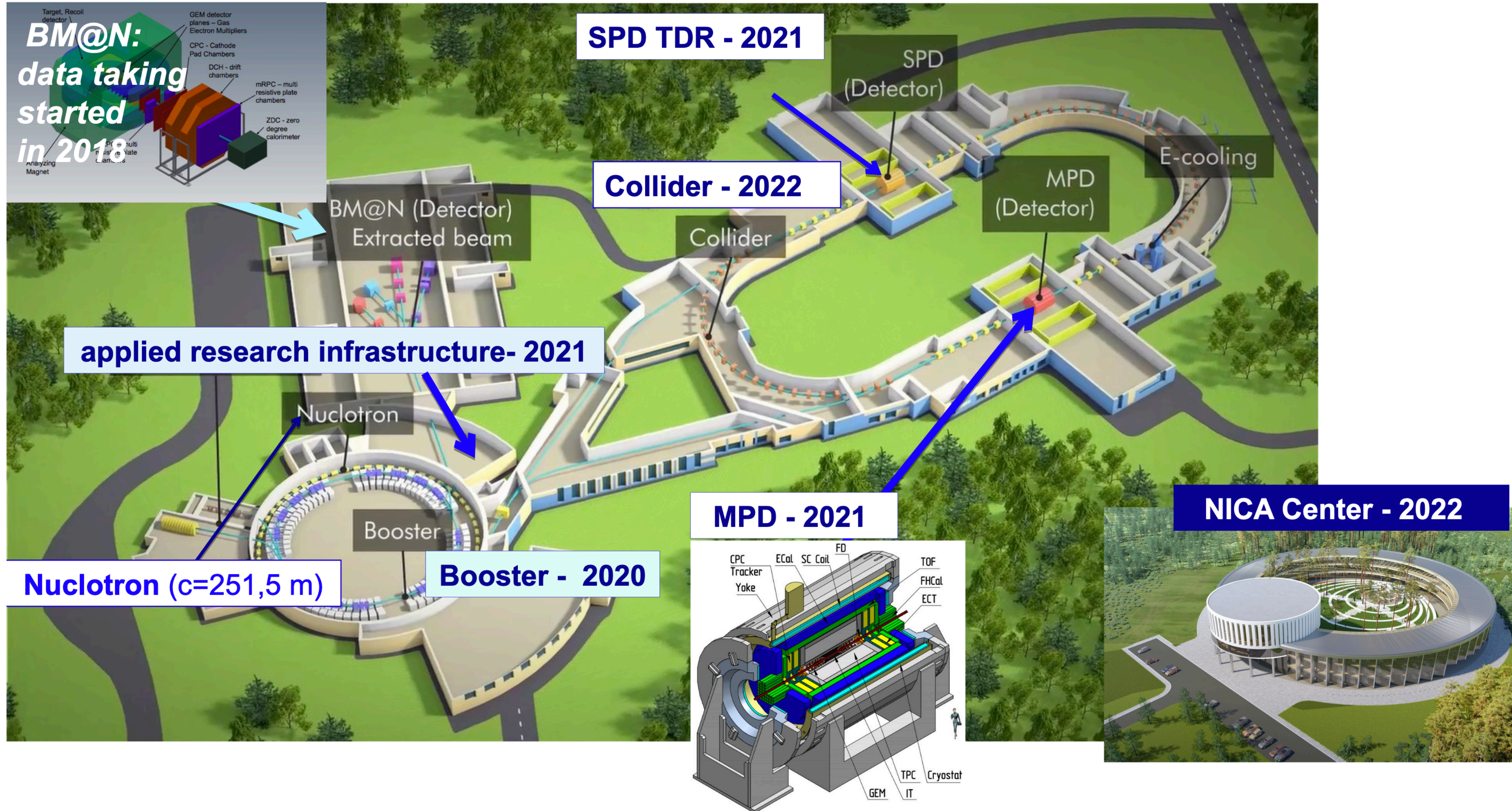
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NICA Accelerator Complex in Dubna



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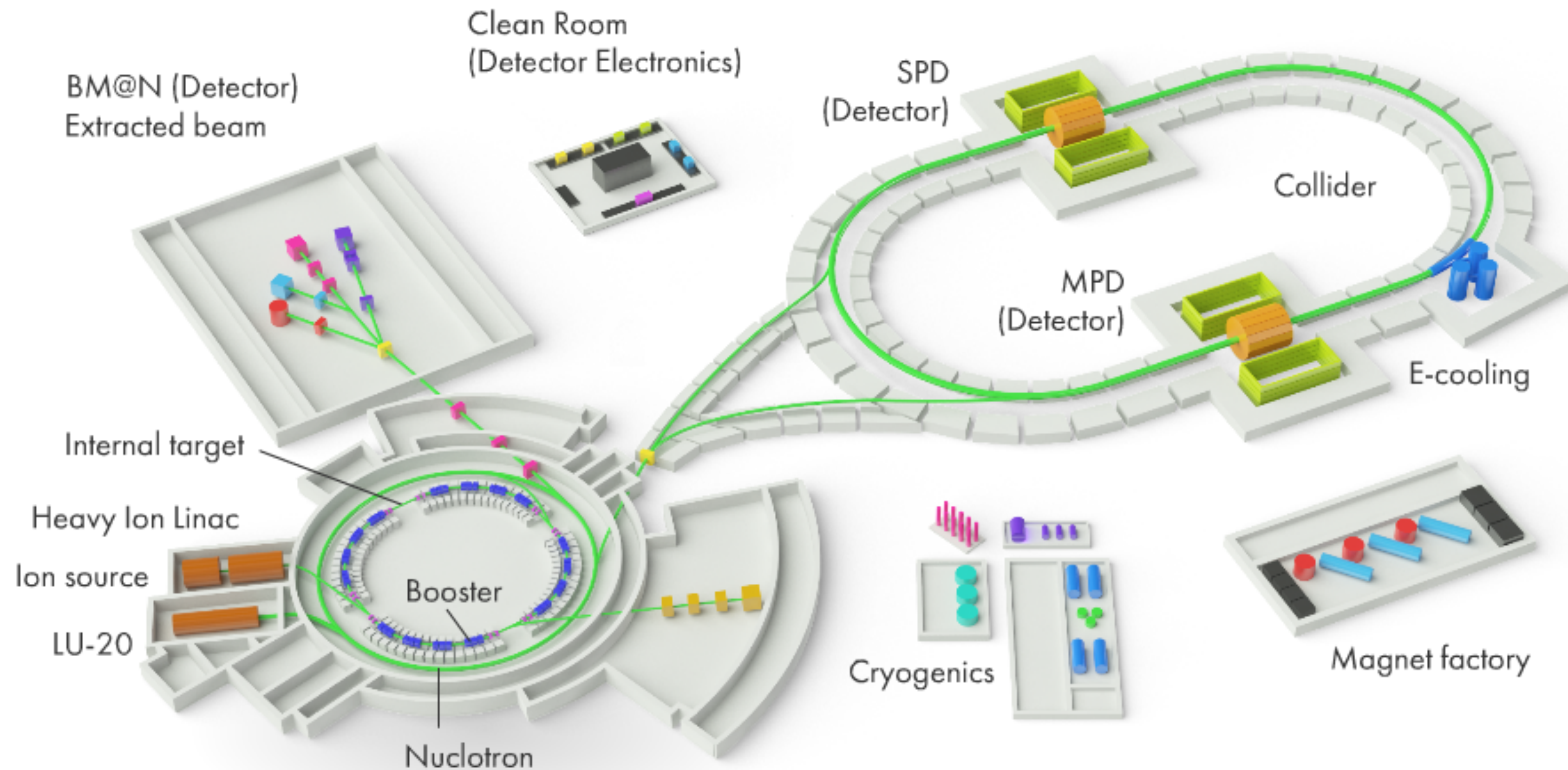
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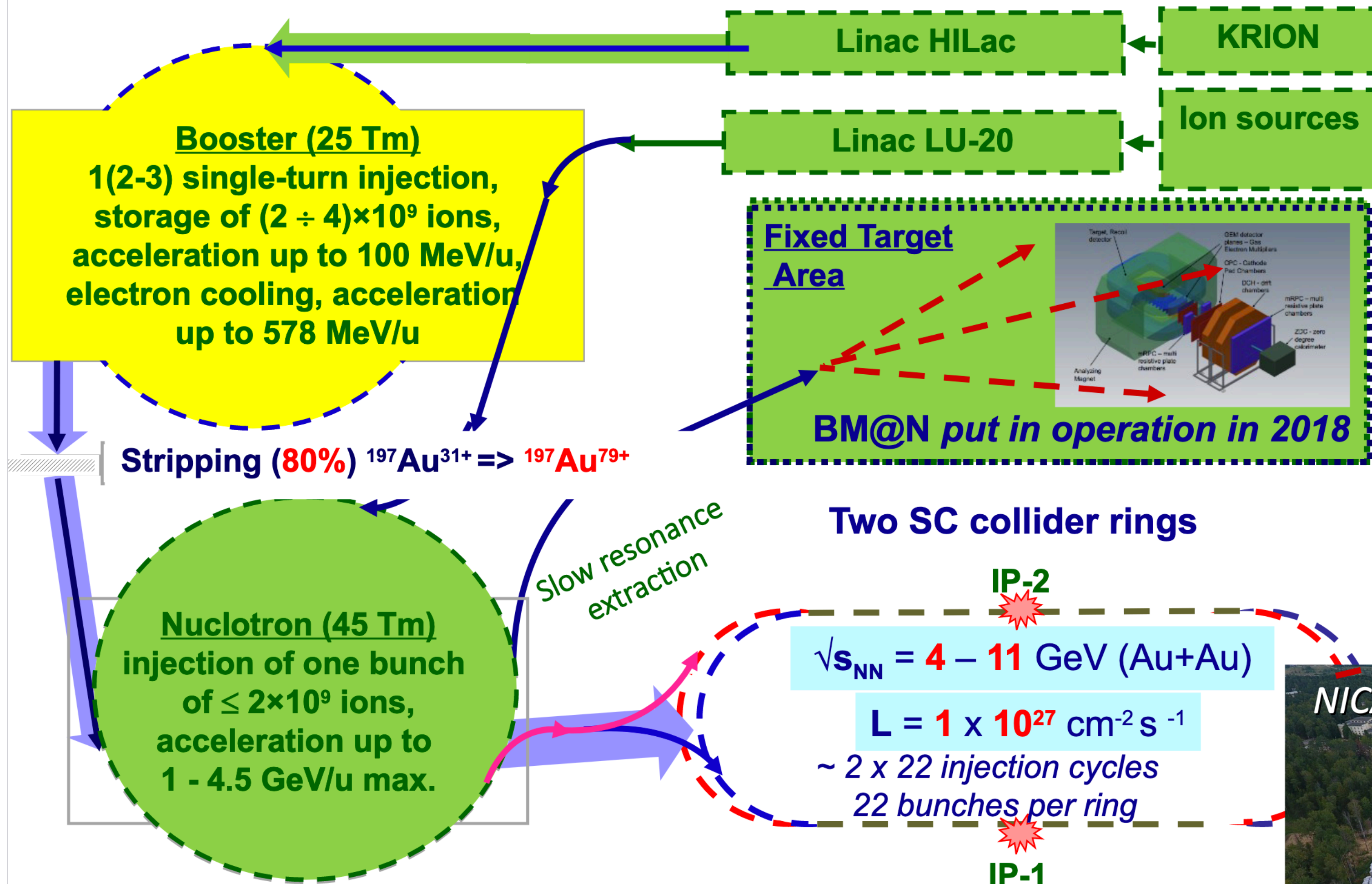
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Status of the Accelerator Complex



work in progress	early commissioning	commissioned / existing
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Recent video from NICA: <https://youtu.be/mfOLT9XZOj0>

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MPD Hall crane weight test

MPD Civil Construction status

- MPD Hall ready for limited scope of equipment installation, remaining works still ongoing



Jan 20th



Sep 9th

Exterior of the MPD Hall Building and high voltage connection housing

Epoxy floor finish ready in the MPD Hall



Sep 9th



Transportation of MPD Magnet Yoke parts into the MPD pit (inside MPD Hall)

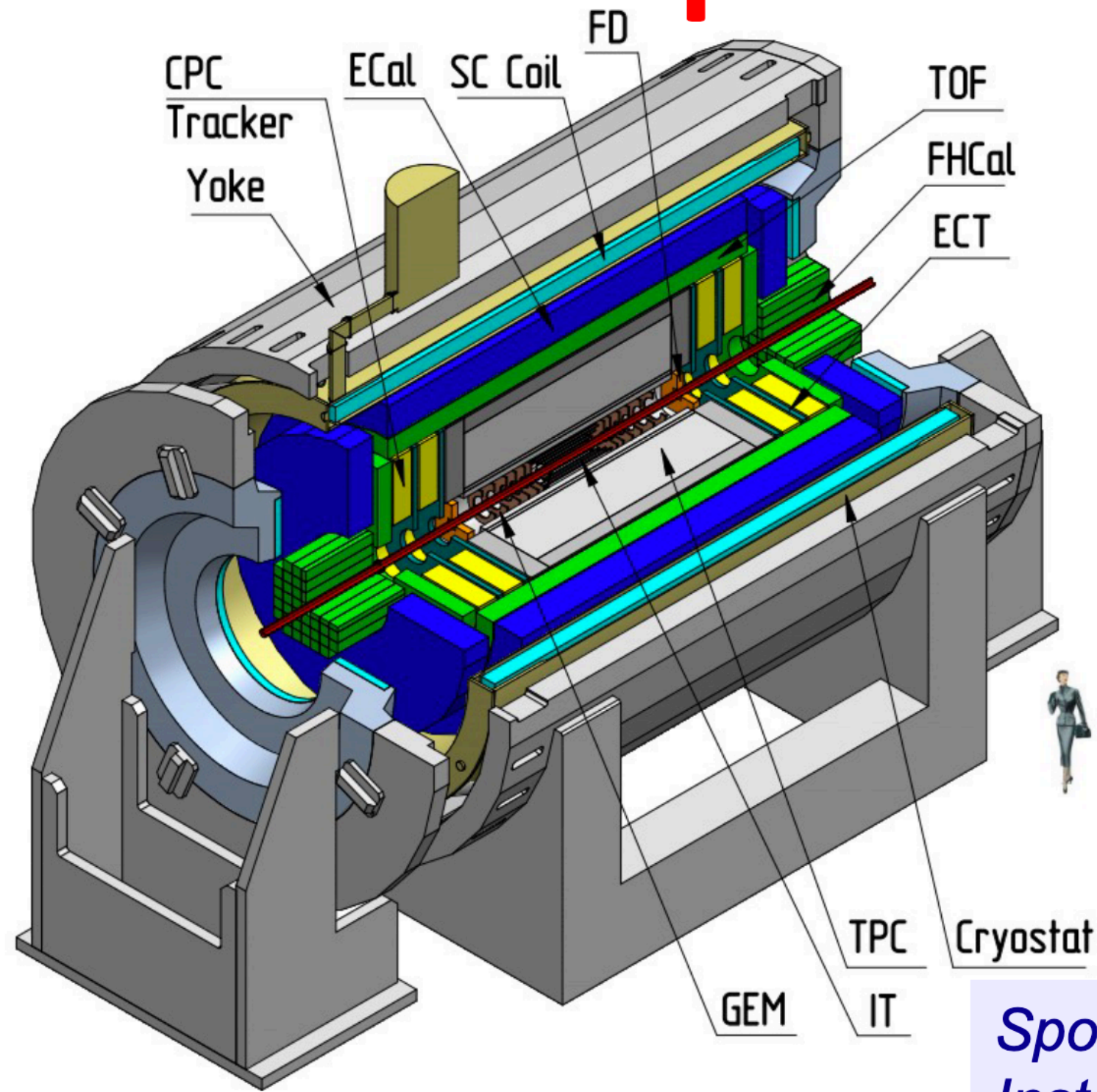
Dec 30th

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Multi-Purpose Detector (MPD) Collaboration



**11 Countries, >500 participants,
39 Institutes and JINR**



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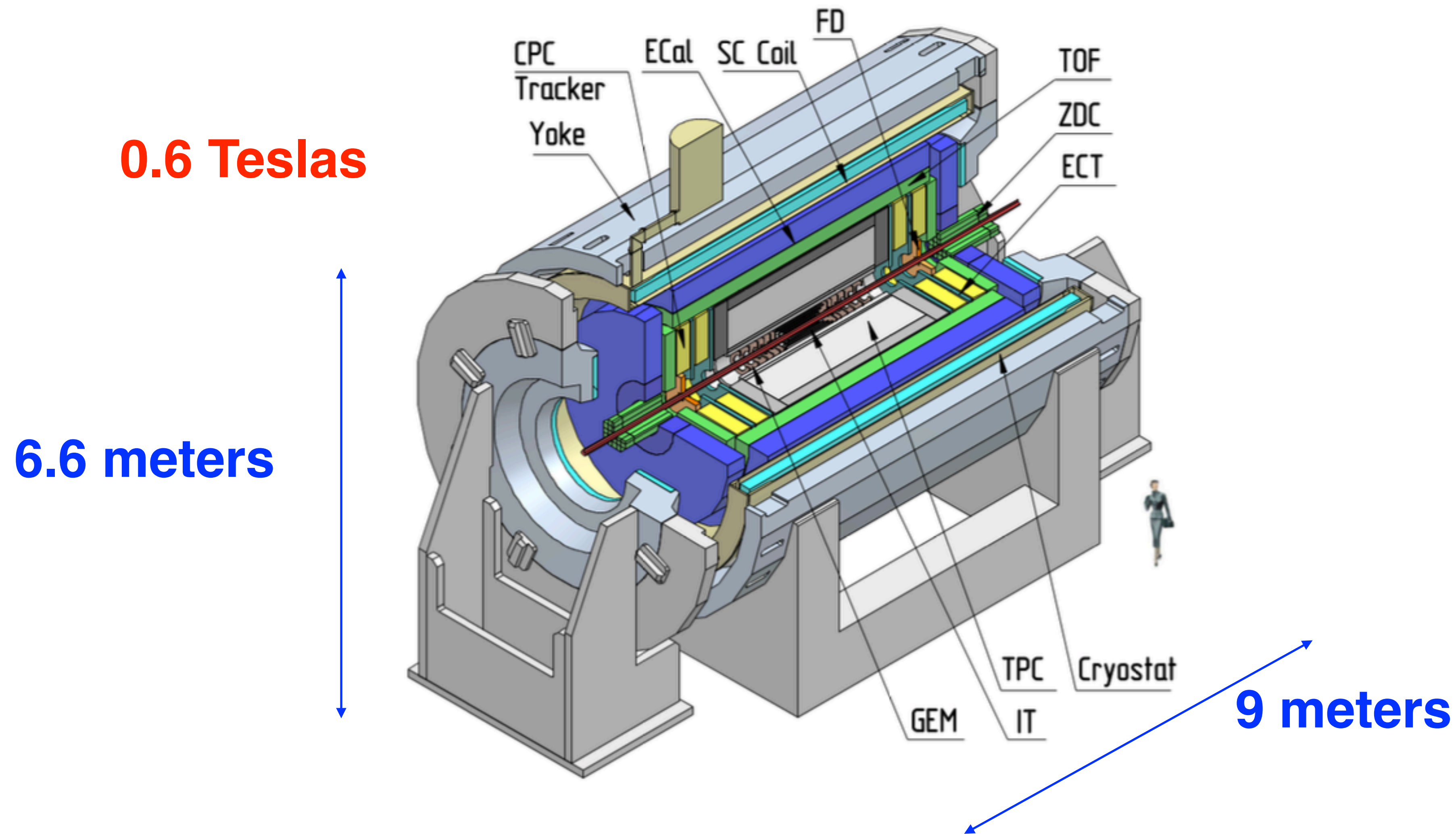
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MPD-NICA experiment at JINR

MPD: Multi-Purpose Detector (typically cylindrical particle detector)



Stage 1 (Mid-rapidity region, TPC, TOF, ECAL, ZDC, FD)

- Particle yields and spectra (pions, Kaons, protons, etc)
- Event-by-event fluctuations
- Femtoscopy involving pions, Kaons and protons
- Collective flow for identified hadrons
- Electromagnetic probes (electrons, gammas)

Stage 2 (Mid-rapidity region, TPC, TOF, ECAL, ZDC, FD + ITS)

- Total particles multiplicities
- Asymmetries study (better reaction plane determination)
- Di-lepton precise study
- Charm
- Exotic (soft photons, hypernuclei)

MexNICA proposal



MEXnICA

Mexican group joining to the MPD-NICA efforts at JINR.

List of participants institutions

- BUAP (Facultad de Ciencias Físico Matemáticas)
- CINVESTAV (Departamento de Física)
- UAS
- UNISON
- UCol
- UNAM (Instituto de Ciencias Nucleares)

MexNICA proposal



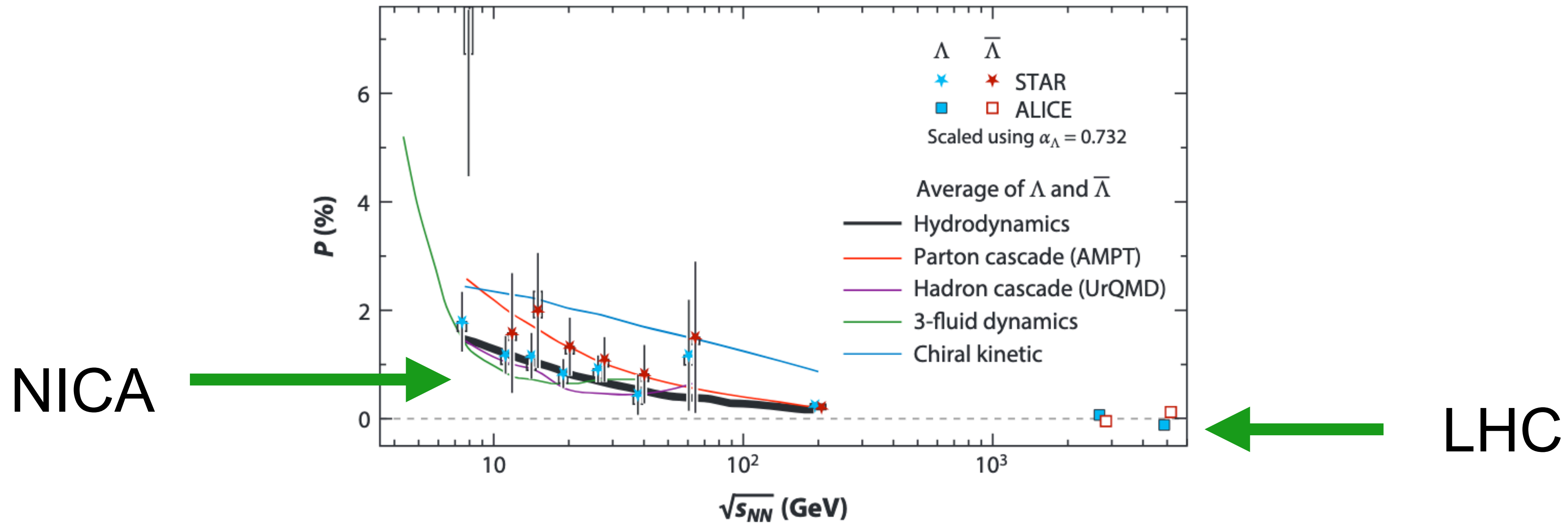
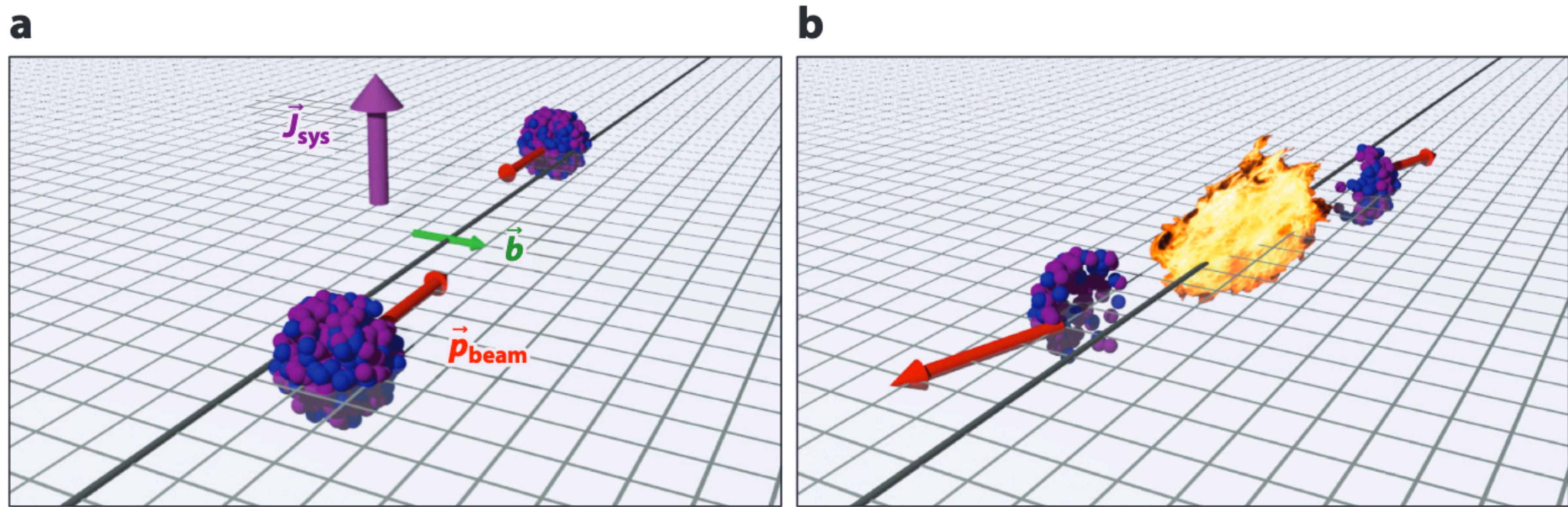
Main goal:

To contribute in the study of the QGP phase diagram (CEP)

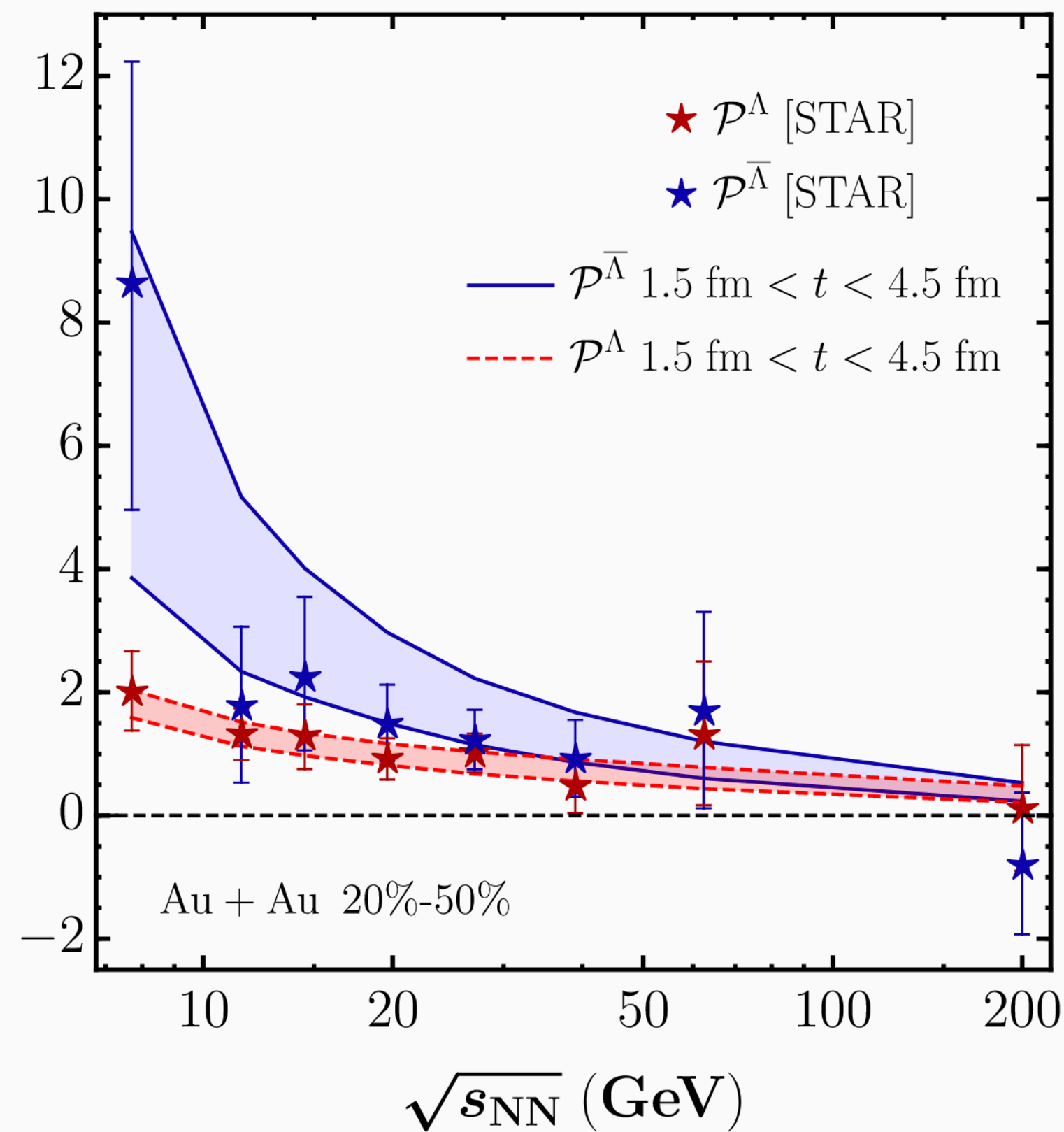
How?

To study, from theoretical point of view, the mechanism responsible for the restoration of chiral symmetry.

To study, from theoretical point of view, the QCD phase diagram at finite values of temperature and density.

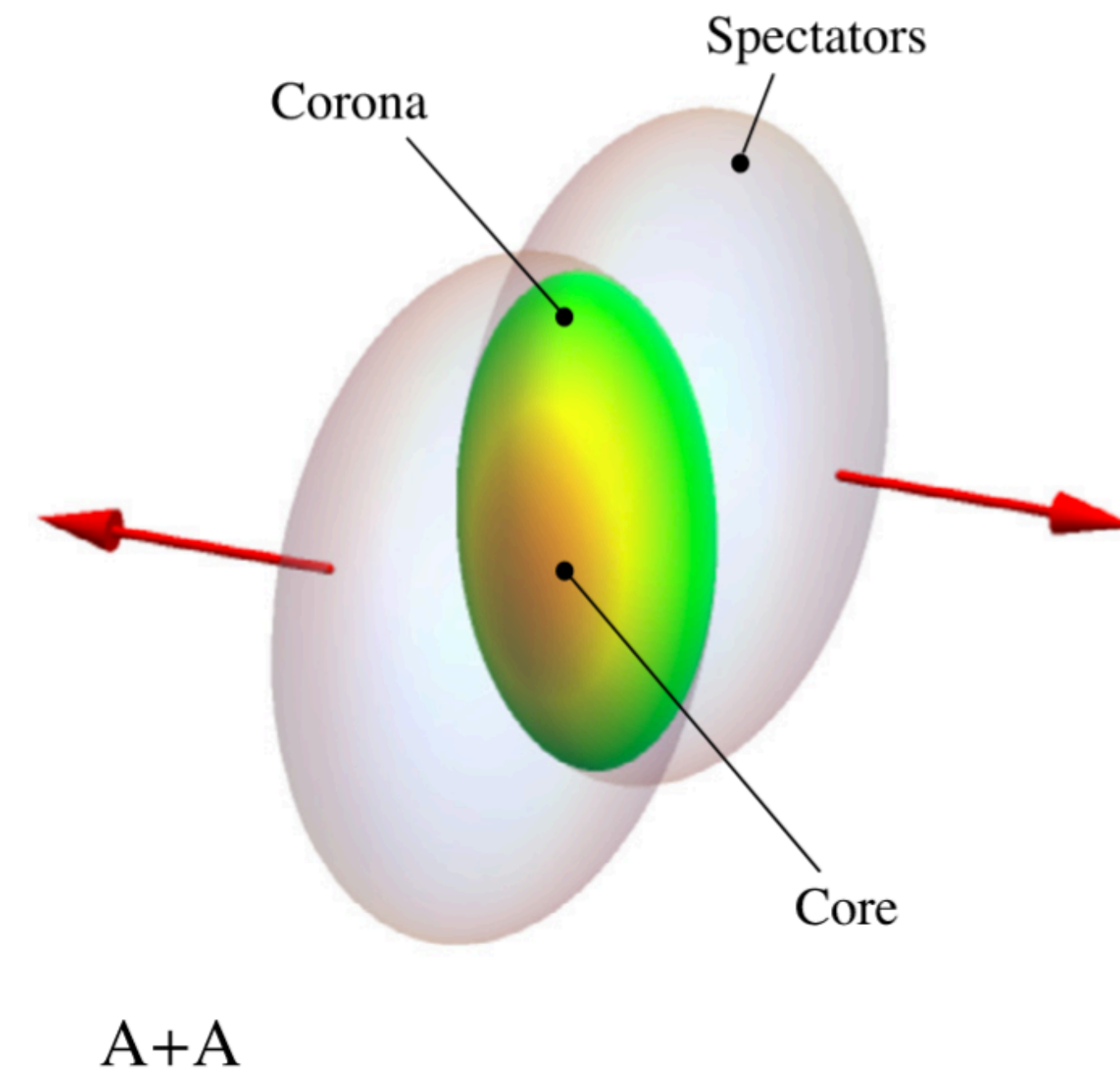


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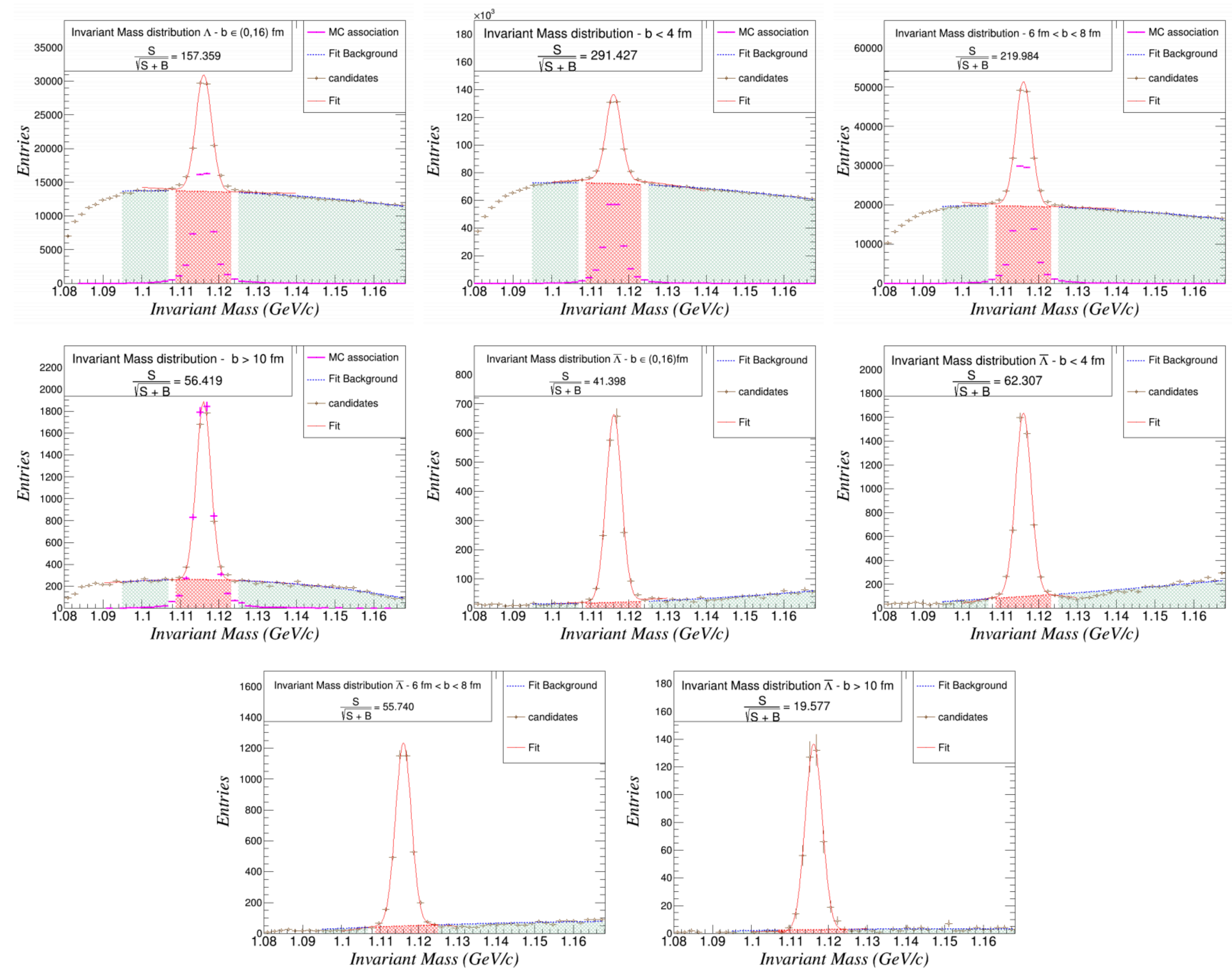


Au + Au 20-50% Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$
 polarization from core-corona model
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 data STAR-BES Nature 548 (2017).

A.A. *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **810**,
 135818 (2020).



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Main goal:

To contribute in the study of the QGP phase diagram (CEP)

How?

To study, from experimental point of view, signatures that allows to locate the CEP.

To study, from experimental point of view, the inclusion of a detector that allows to MPD increase its pseudorapidity acceptance. Bonus, optimization of event plane resolution, and trigger system

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In collider experiments, a beam-beam counter detector is highly desirable.

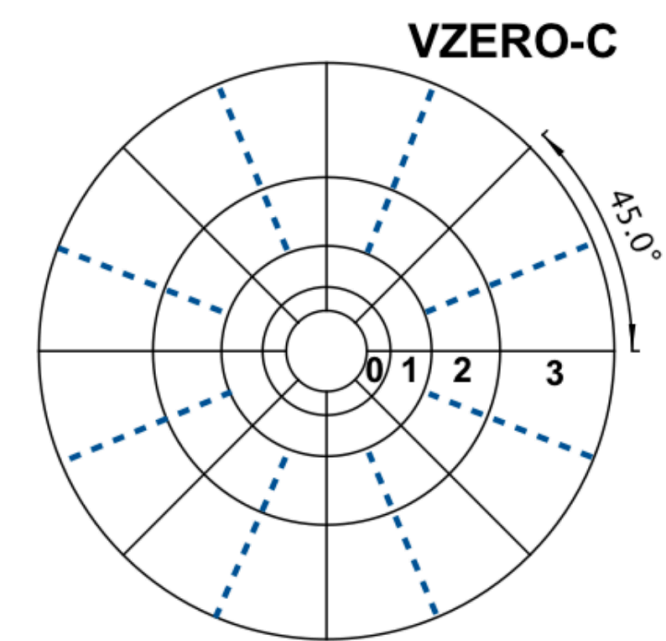
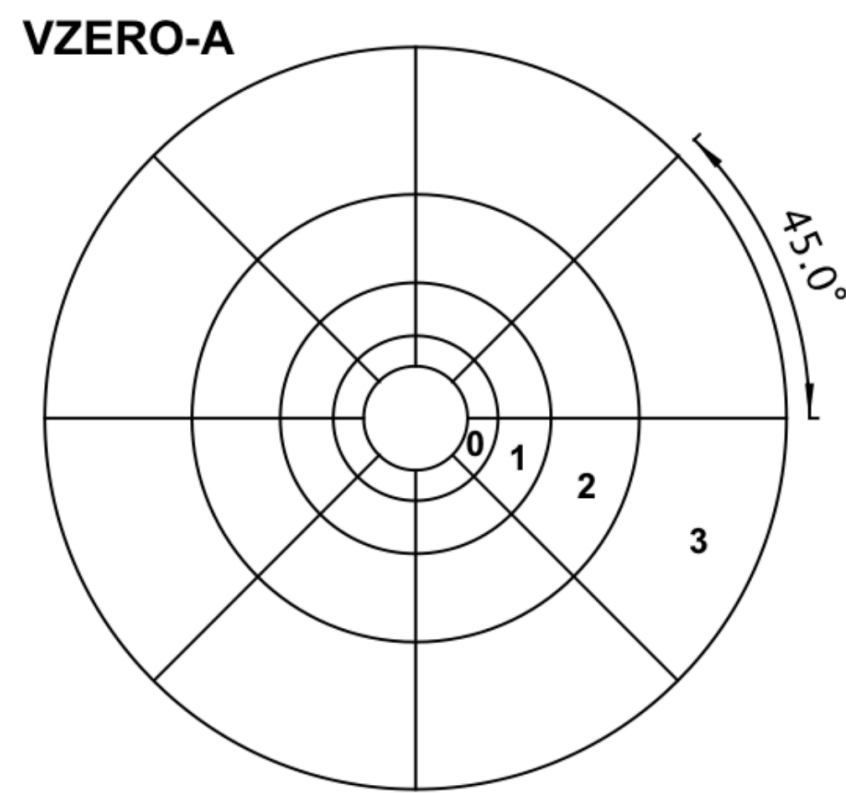
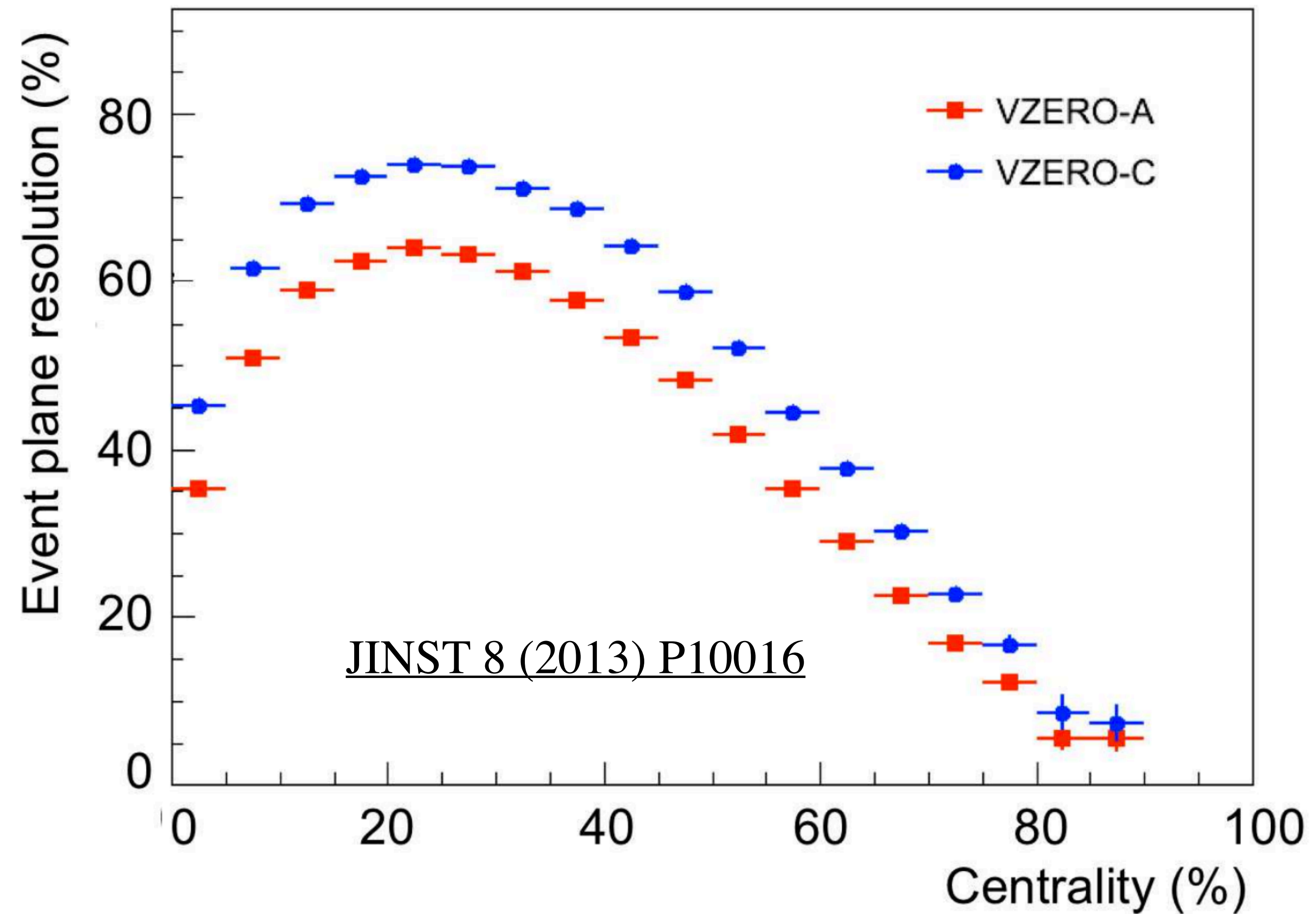
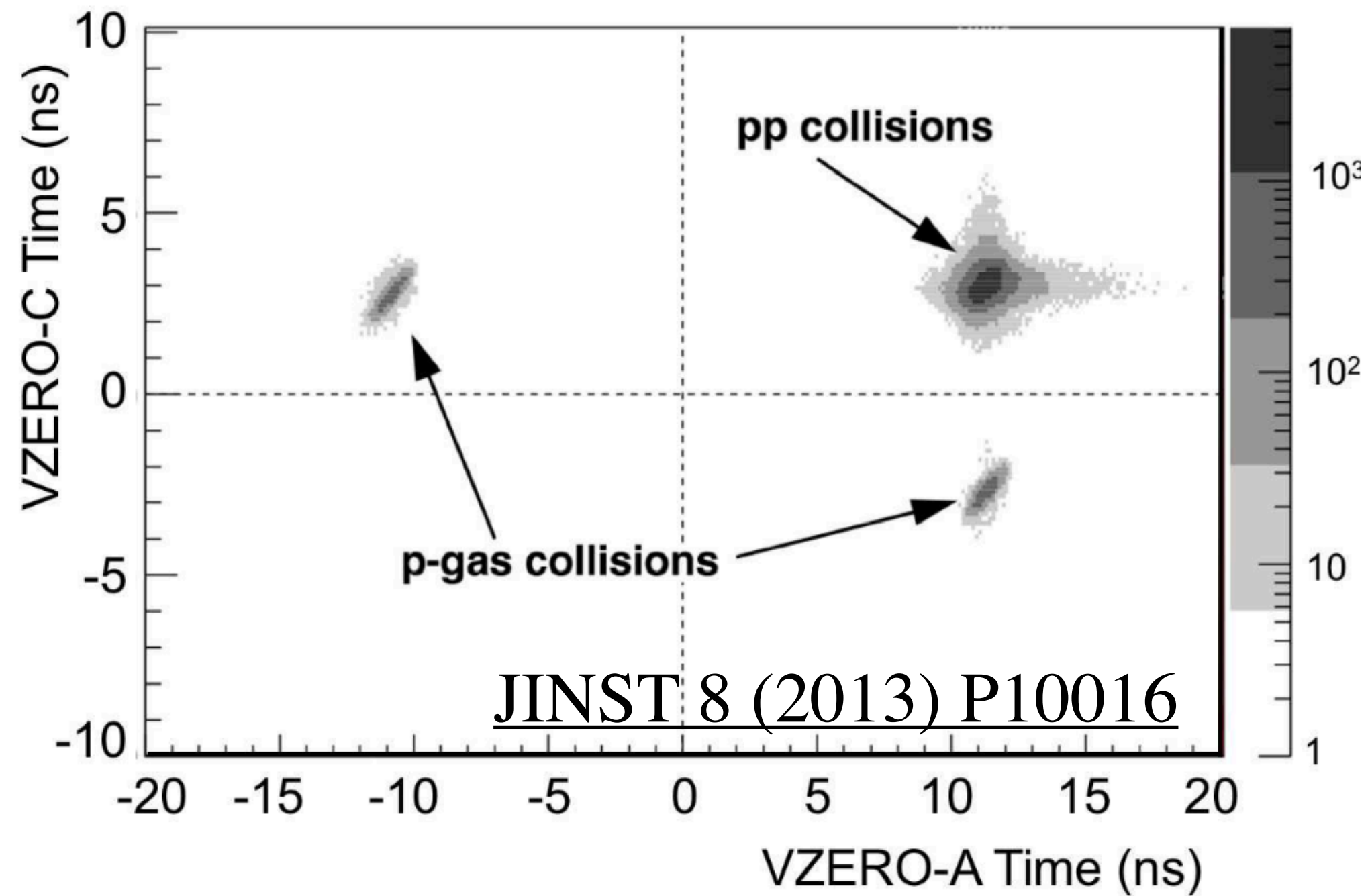
🌐 **trigger system:** to identify and to discriminate beam-beam minimum bias or centrality events from background and beam-beam interactions.

🌐 **bonus, physics studies:**

🌐 luminosity measurements, for the determination of absolute cross sections of reaction processes

🌐 multiplicity of charged particles, key observable for the determination of the centrality of the collisions events and event plane resolution

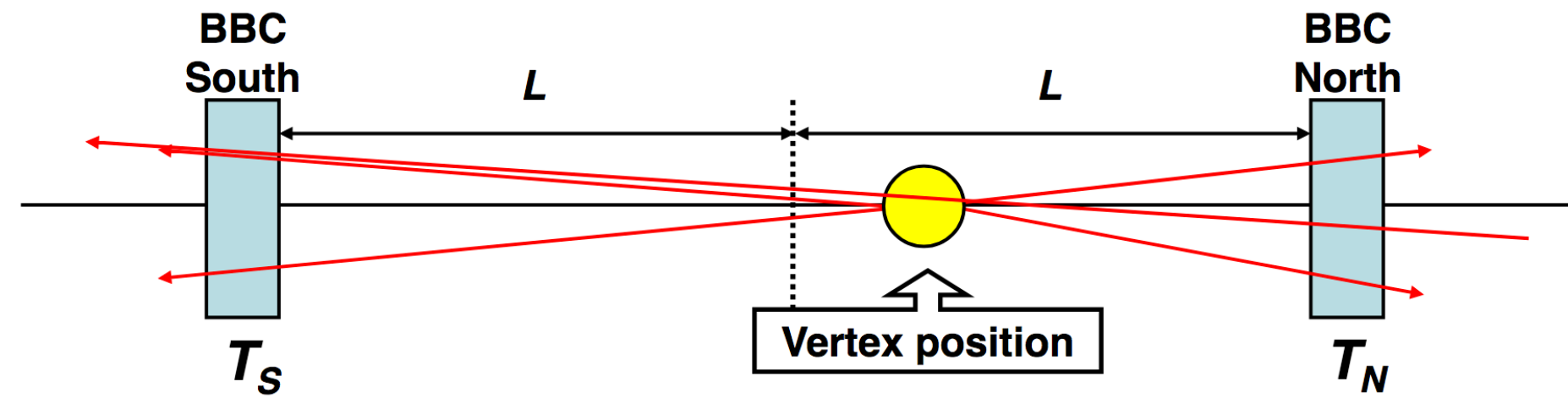
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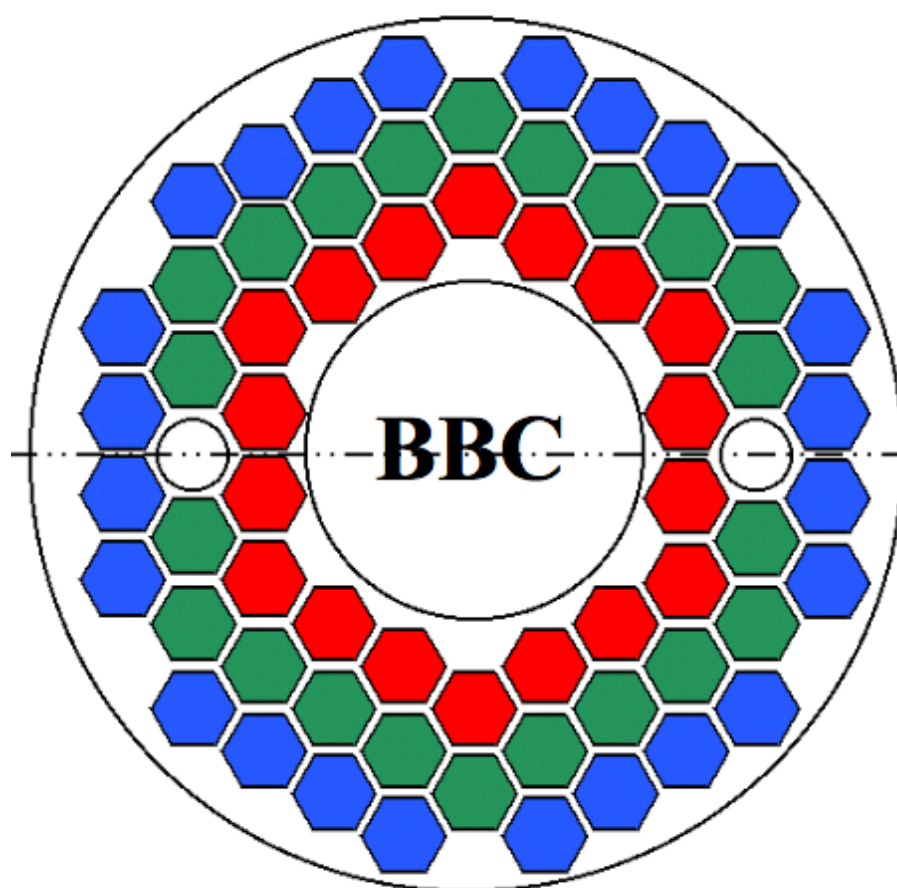
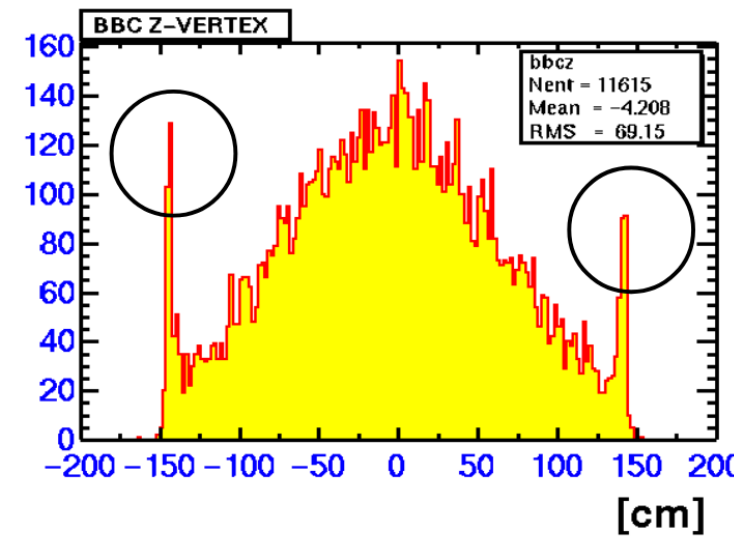
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• **Z-Vertex** = $\frac{T_S - T_N}{2} \times c$

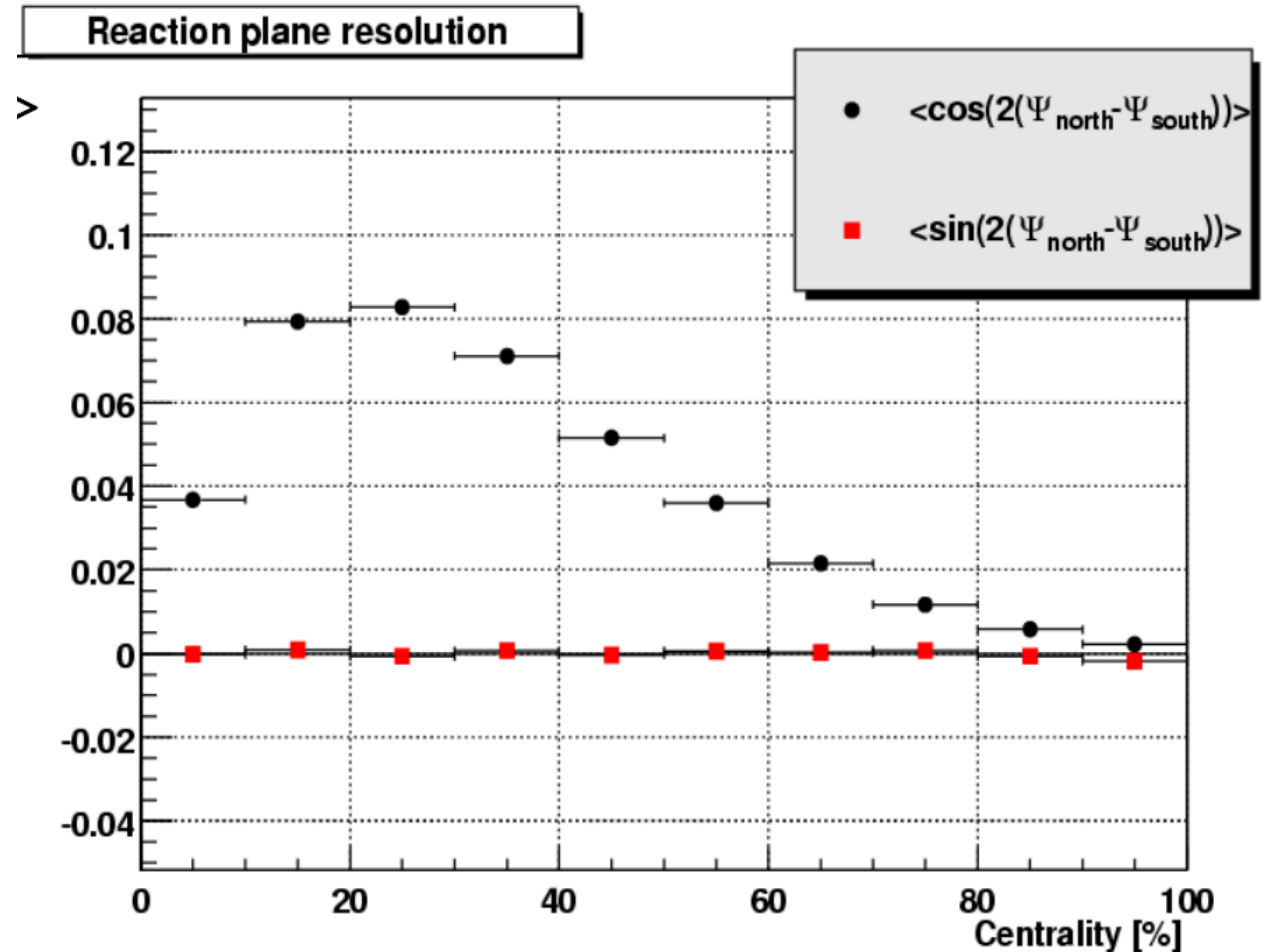
• **Time zero** = $\frac{T_S + T_N - 2L/c}{2}$

T_{NS} : average hit time, c : light velocity, L : 144.35 cm



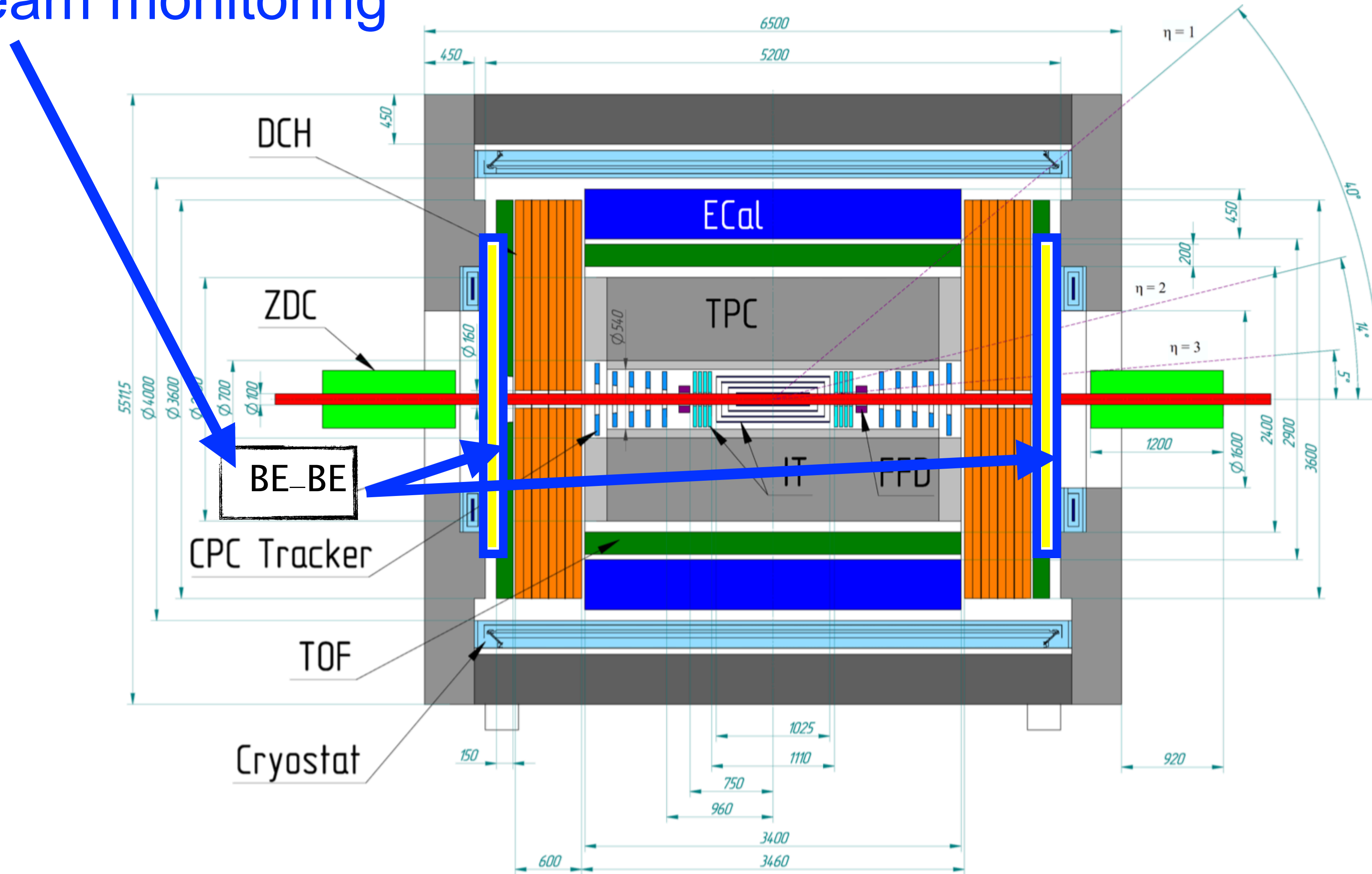
RING ID

- inner ring
- middle ring
- outer ring

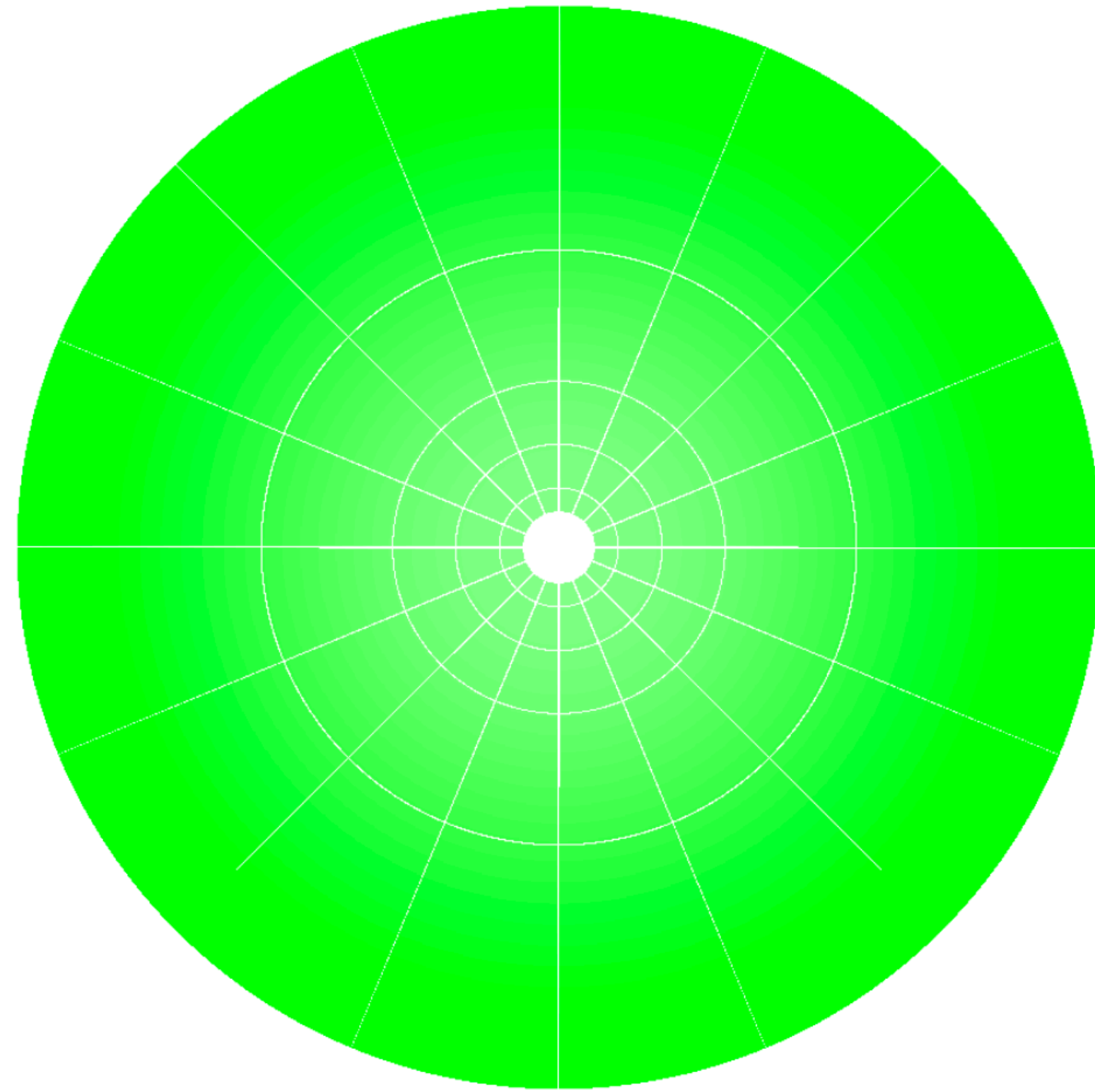


Detector concept

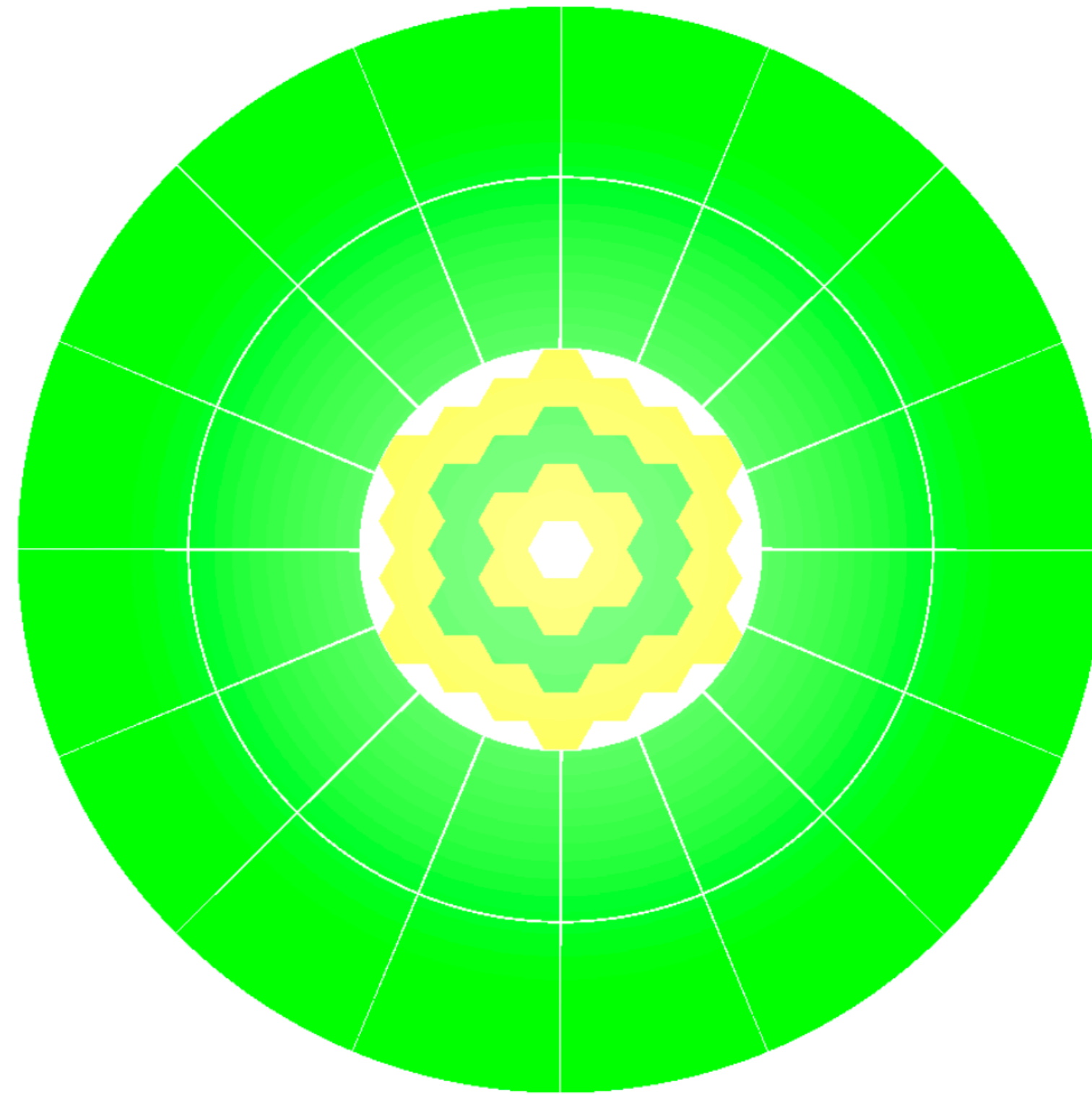
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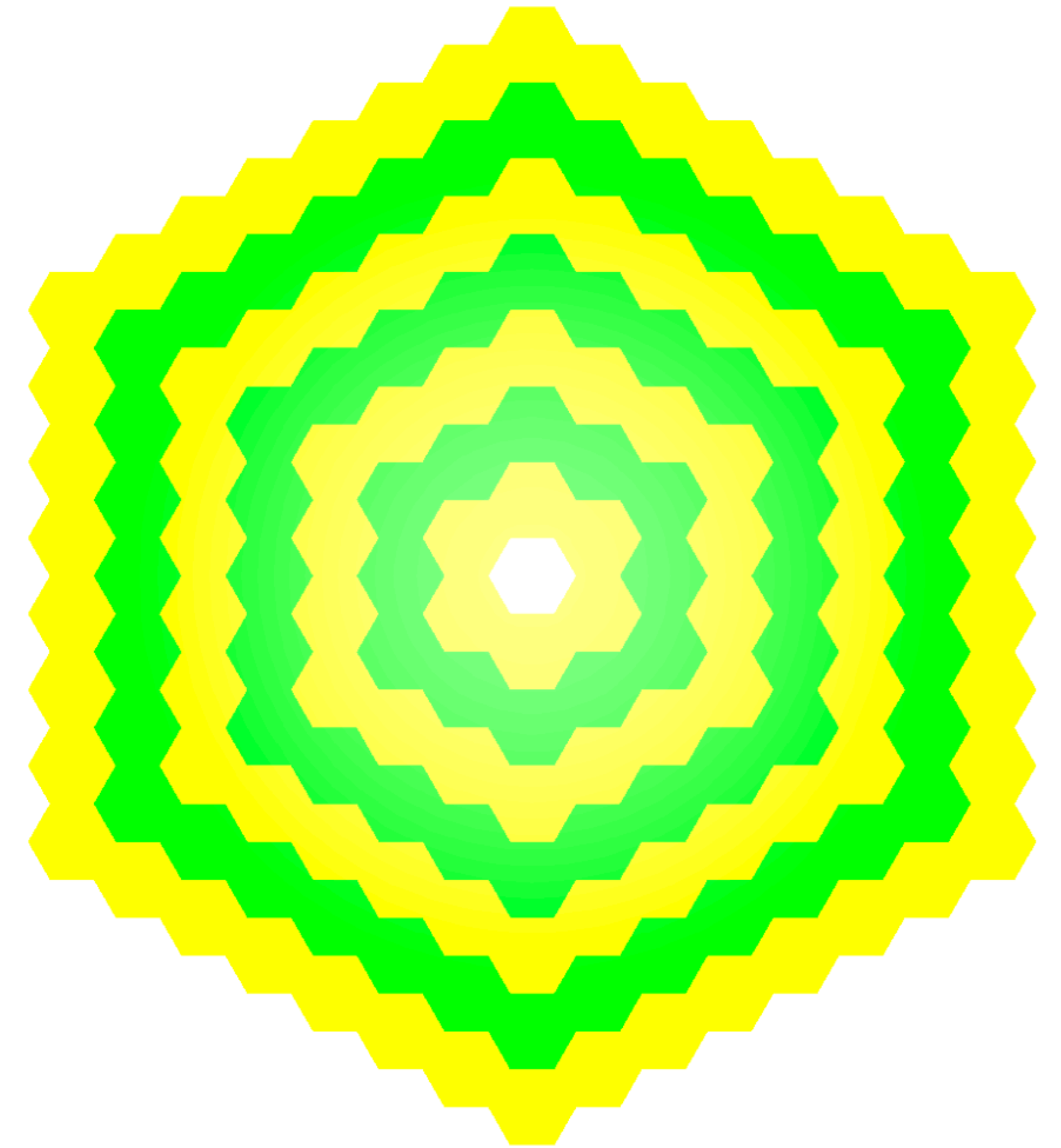
Evolution of BeBe geometry through the years (2016-Today)



2016,2020 (ALICE-LHC)



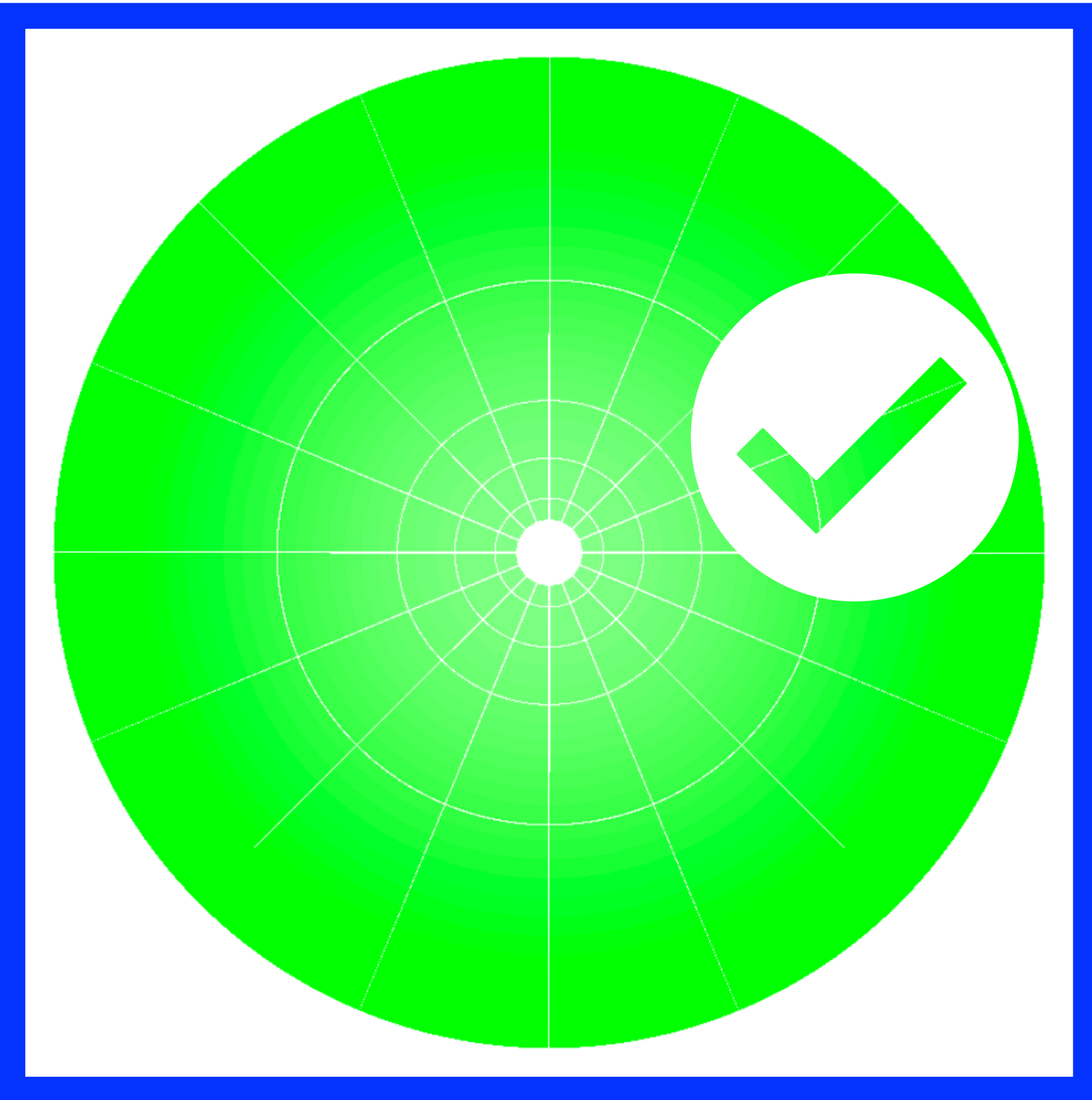
2017 (hybrid)



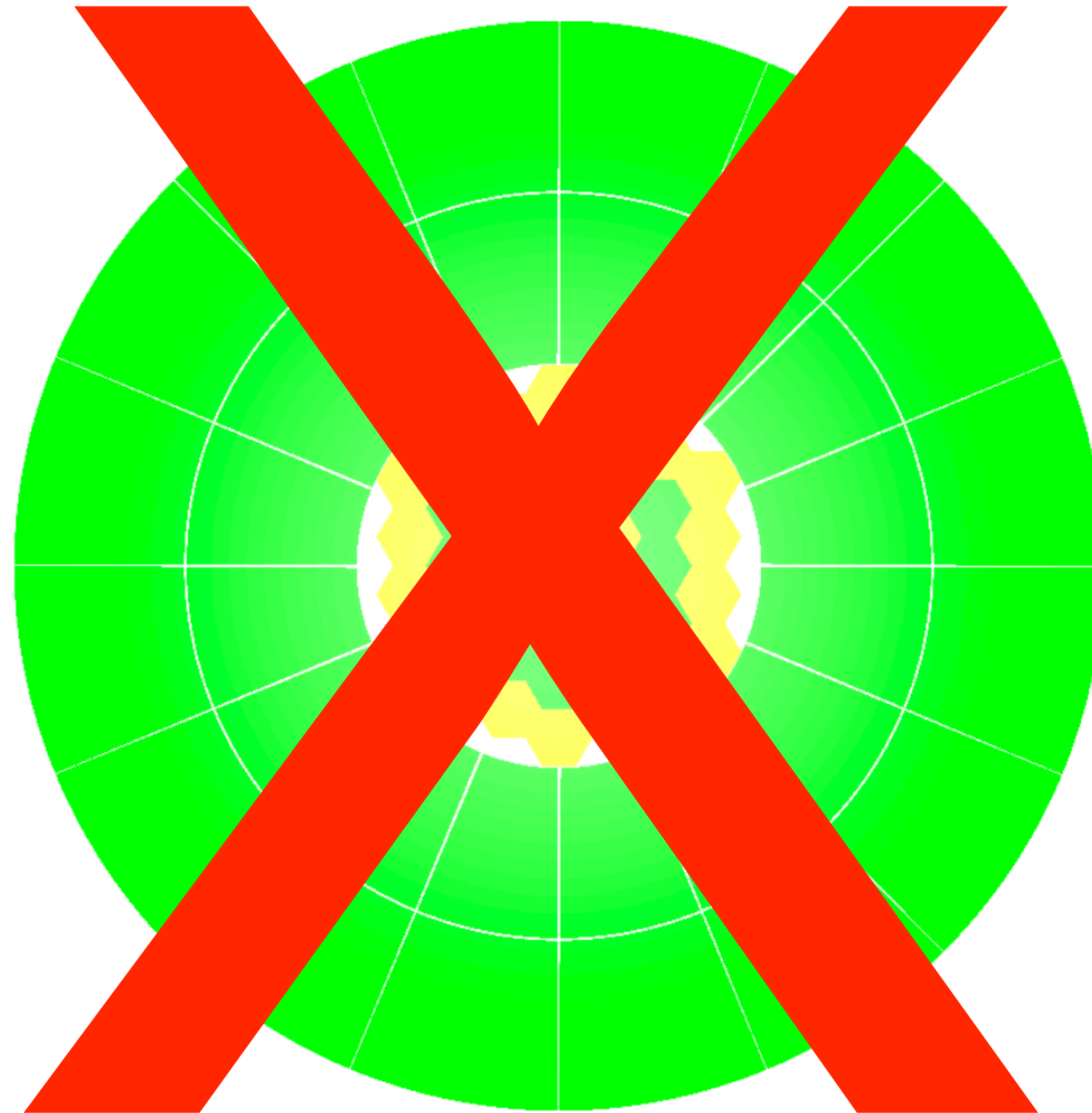
2018-2020 (RHIC)

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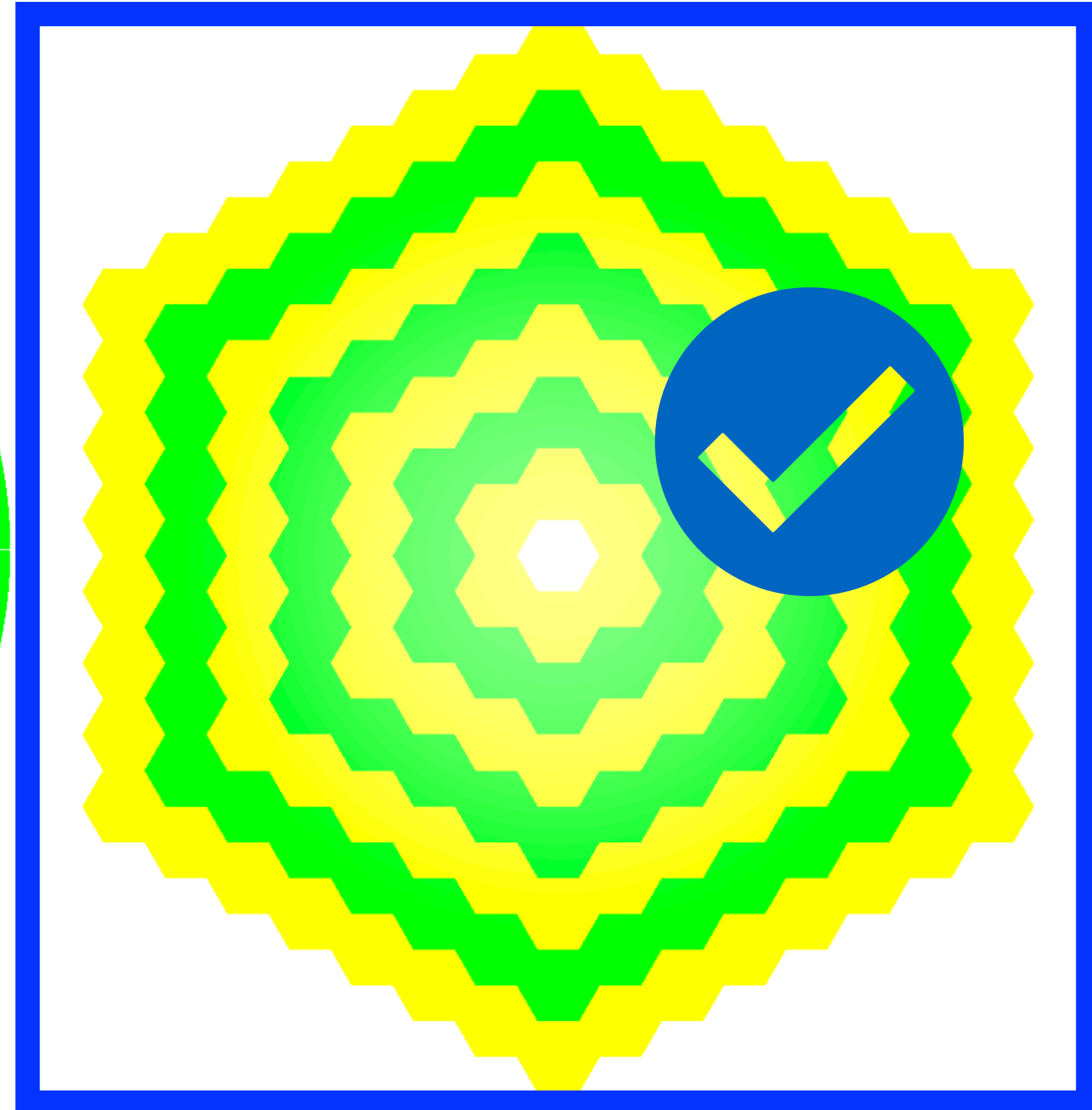
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Detector concept

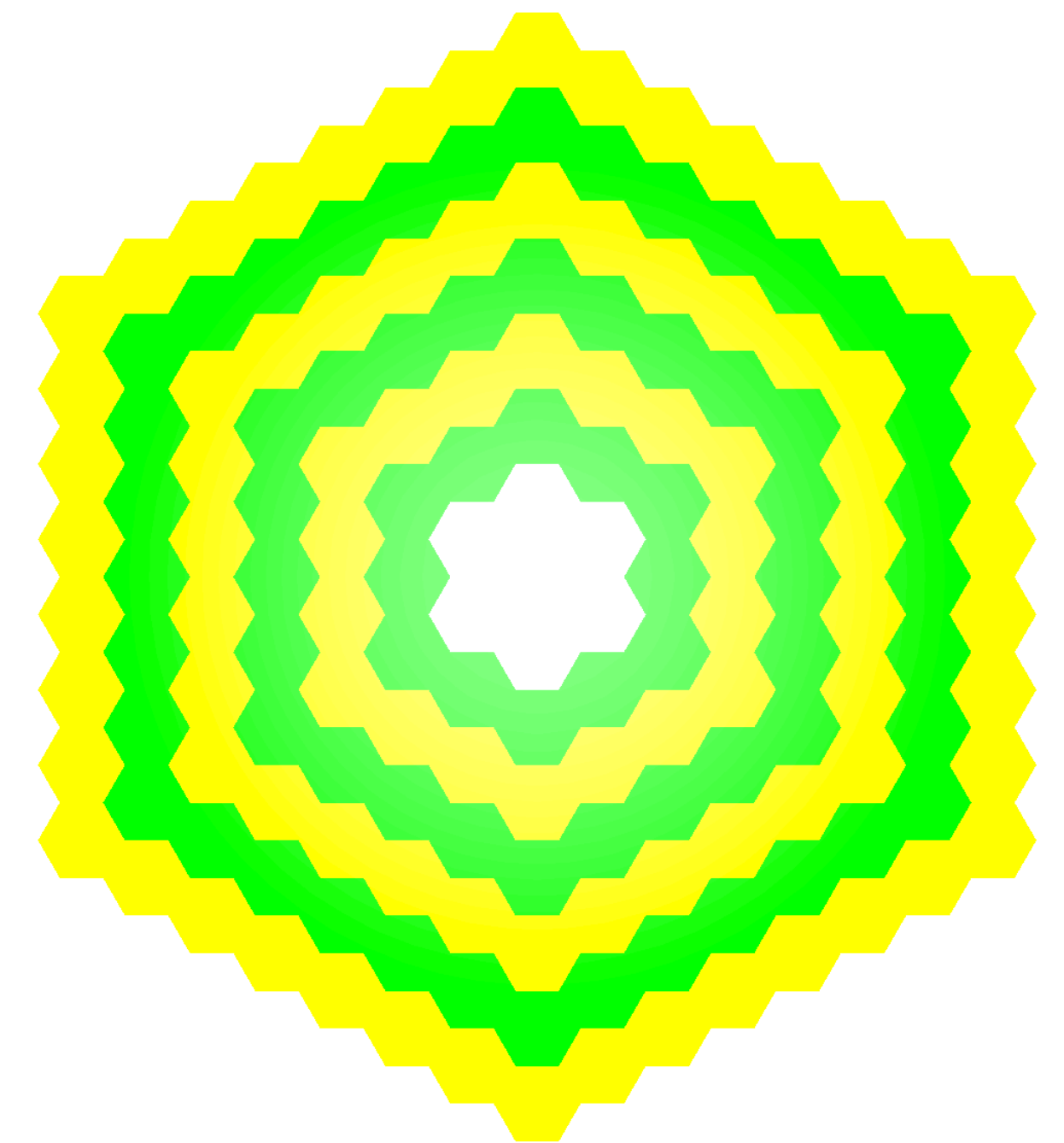
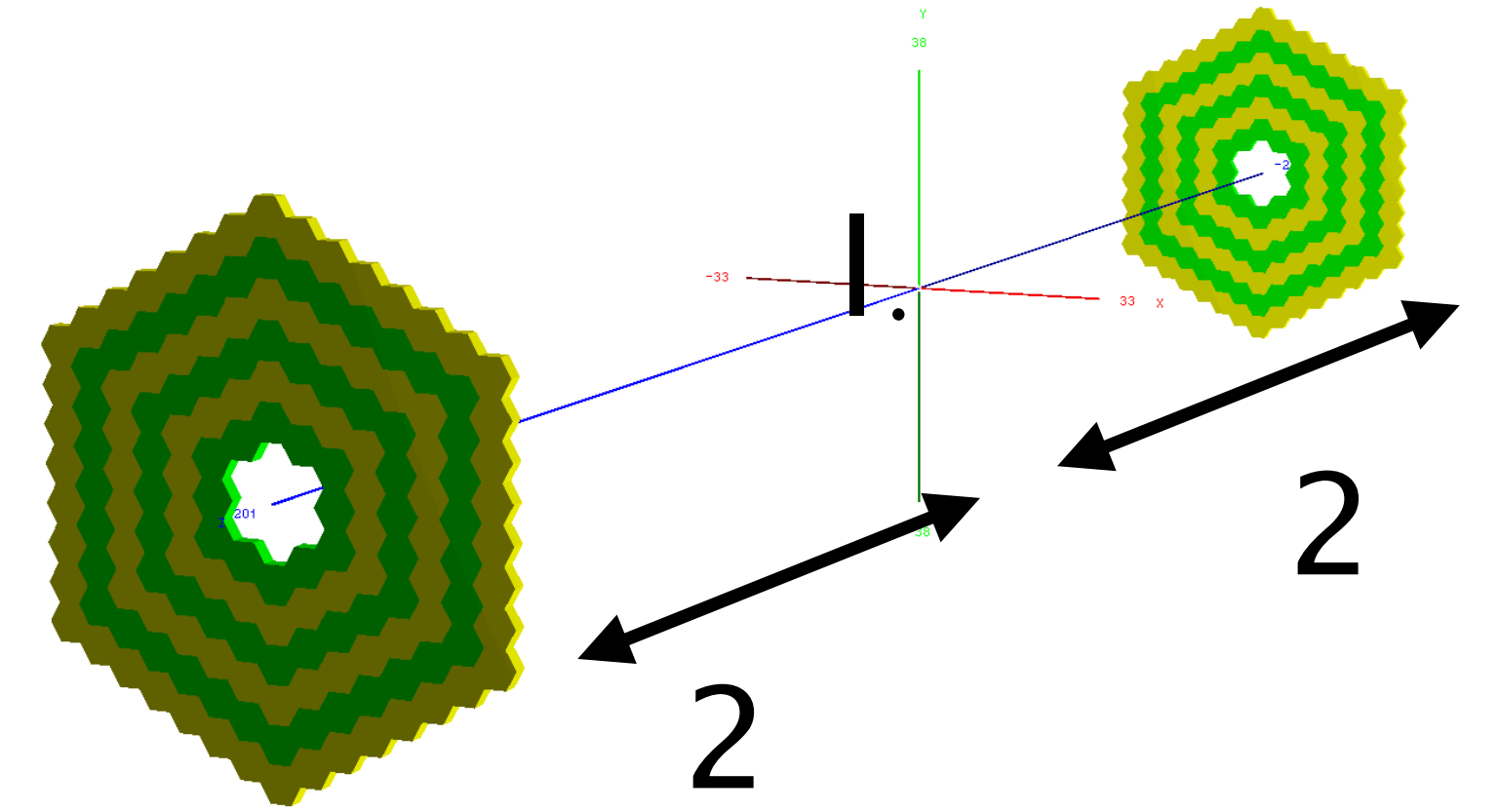
Geometry of BeBe detector

- ◆ two hodoscope detectors located, each located 2 m away from interaction point at opposite sides.
- ◆ two approaches: hexagonal cells (RHIC) OR disk cells (ALICE)

Detector concept: hexagonal cells

BeBe detector

- 162 hexagonal cells (5 cm height, 1 cm width)
- six concentric “rings”
- plastic scintillator BC404
- $1.9 < |\eta| < 3.97$
- photosensors: SiPM or PMT (do be decided)



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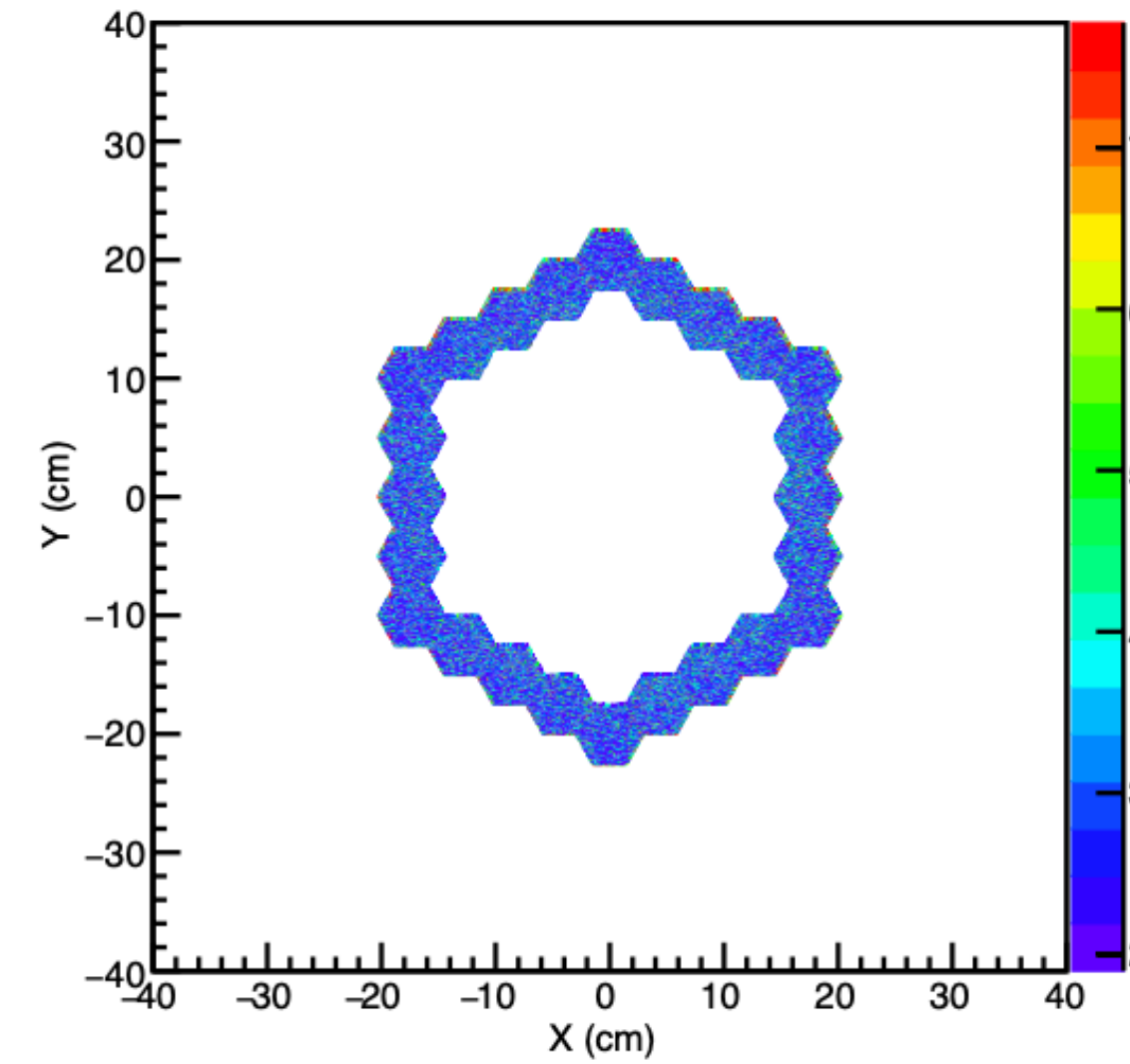
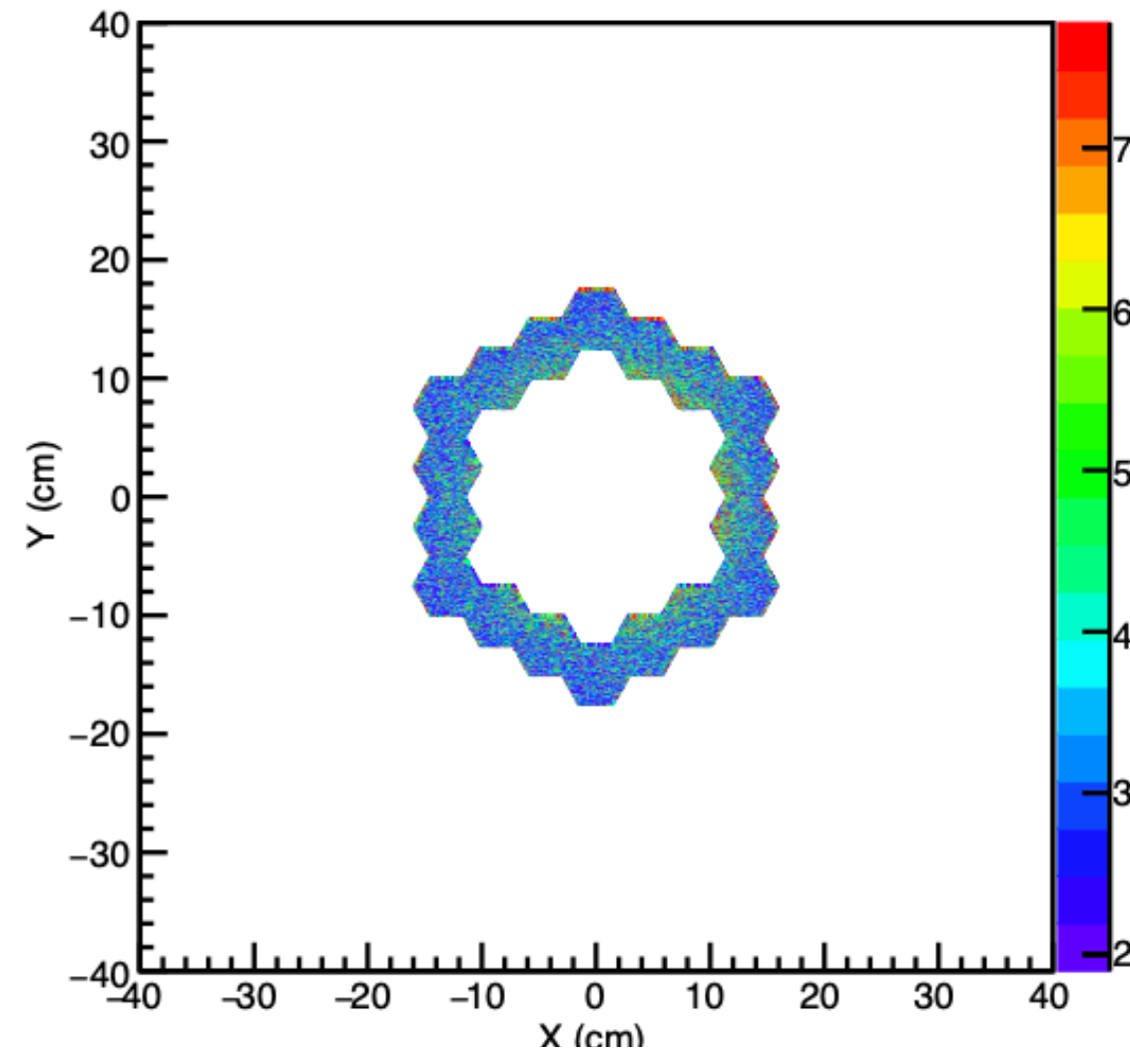
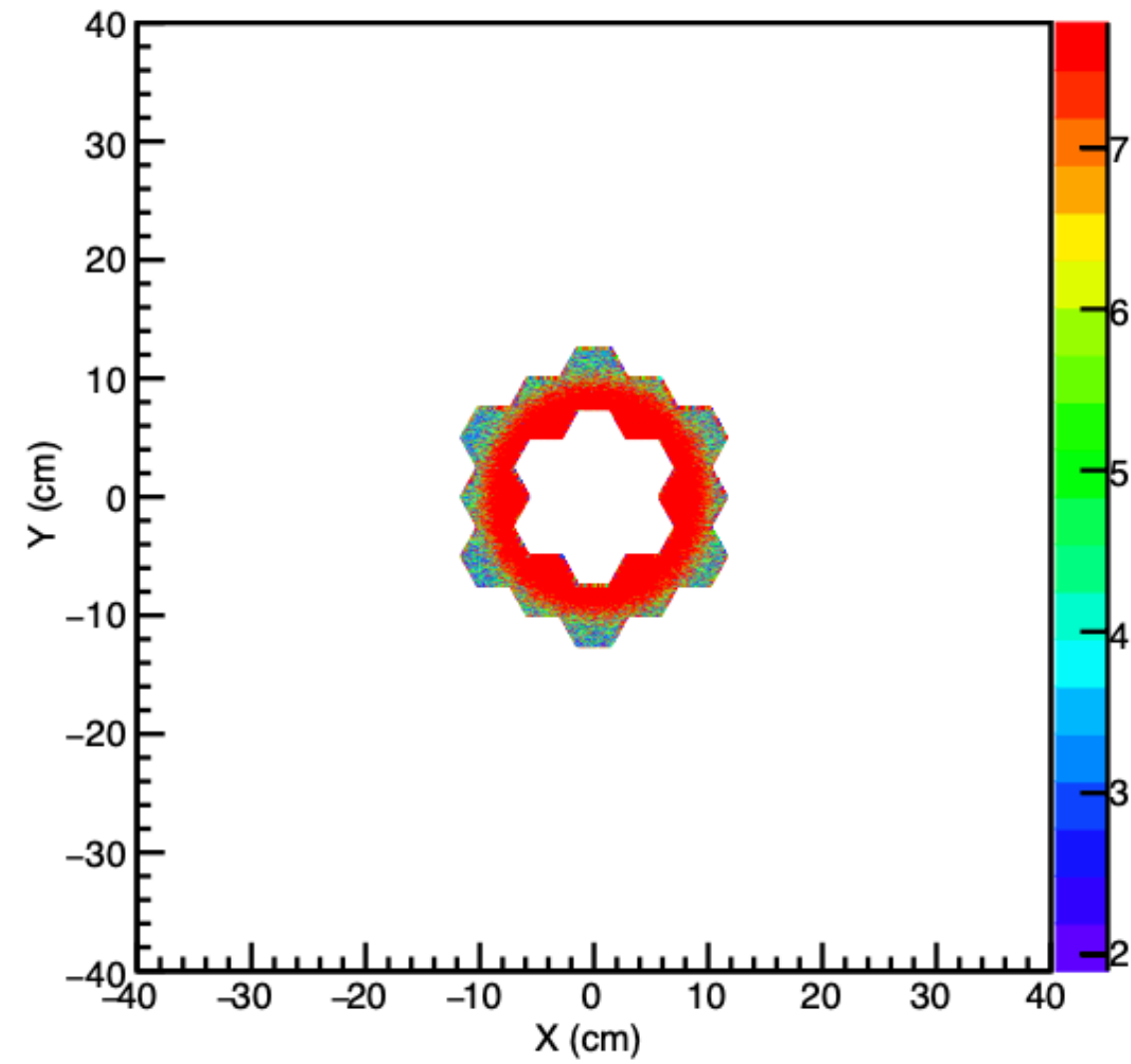


Main role of MPD beam-beam counter detector (BE-BE): to produce a signal for the MPD Level-0 trigger.

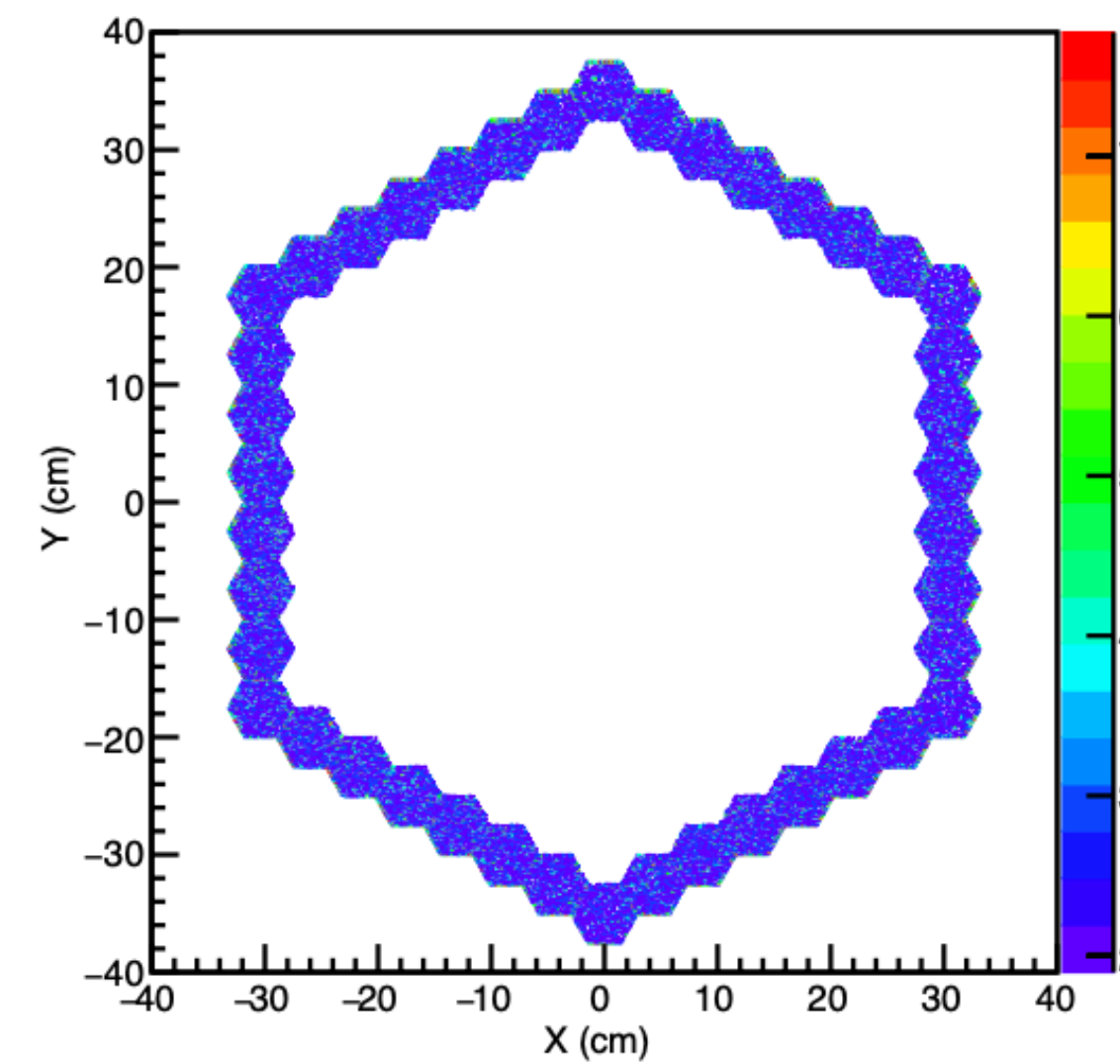
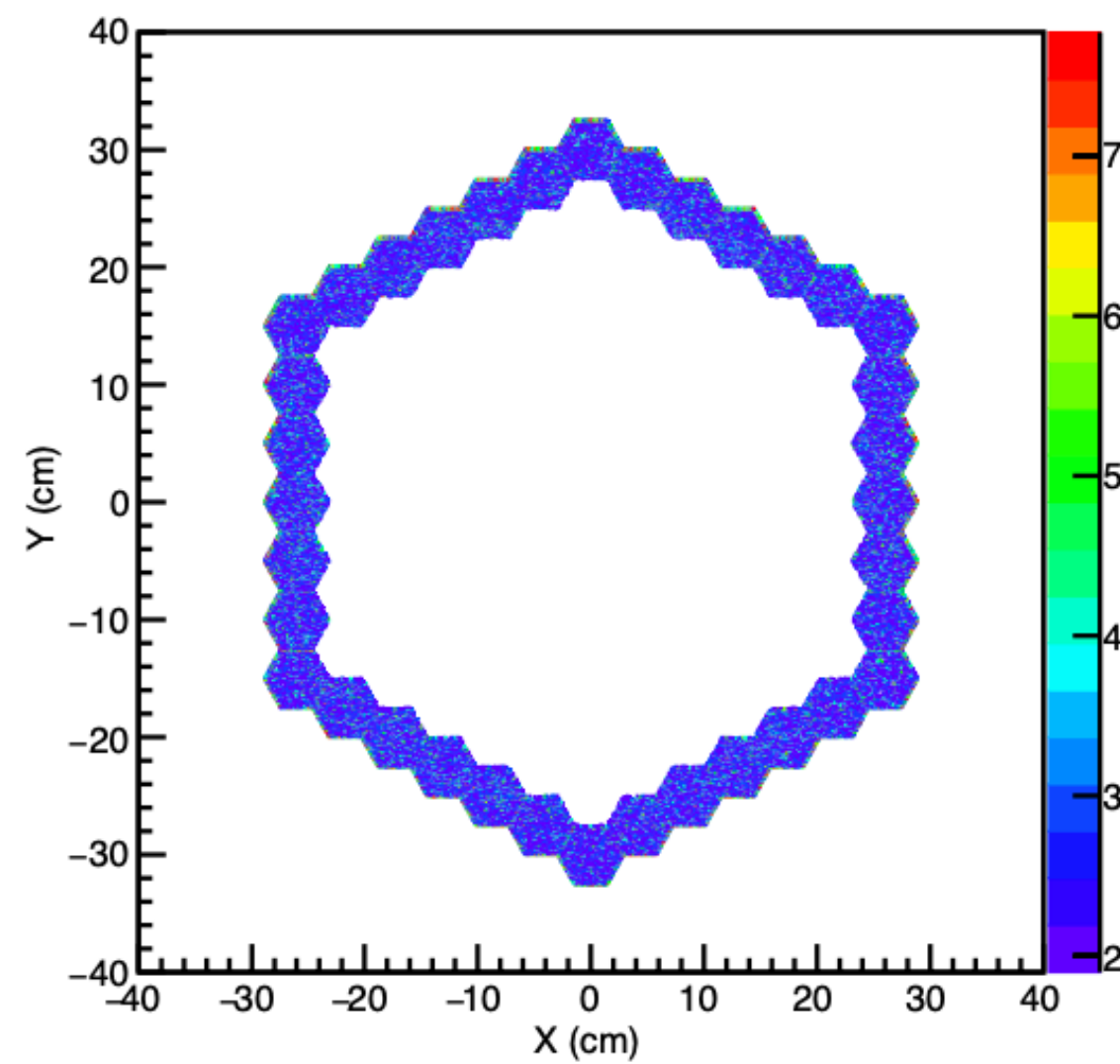
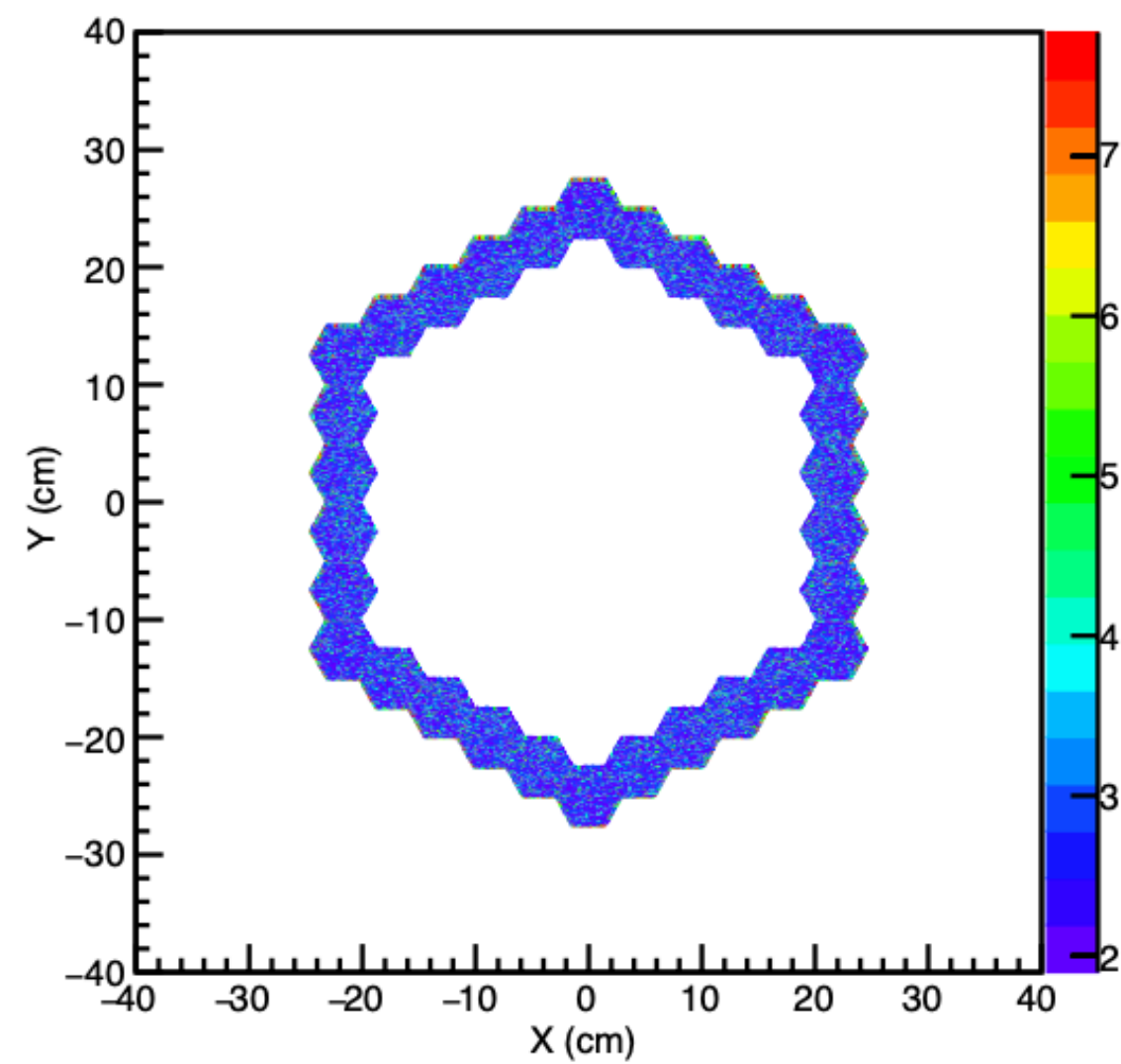
Requirements for BE-BE detector:

- ◆ radiation hard
- ◆ need to work in high magnetic field environment
- ◆ time resolution of 30 ps

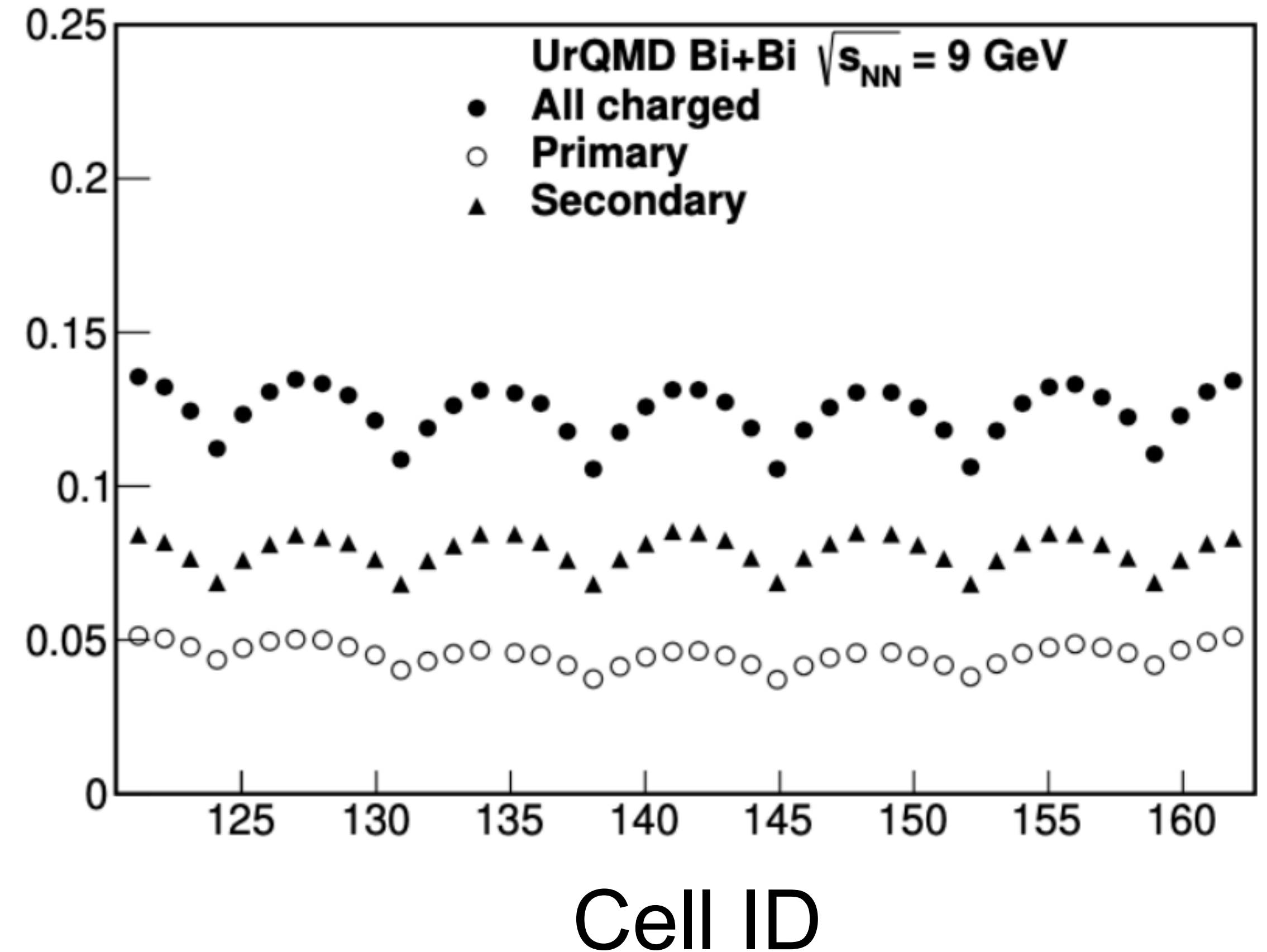
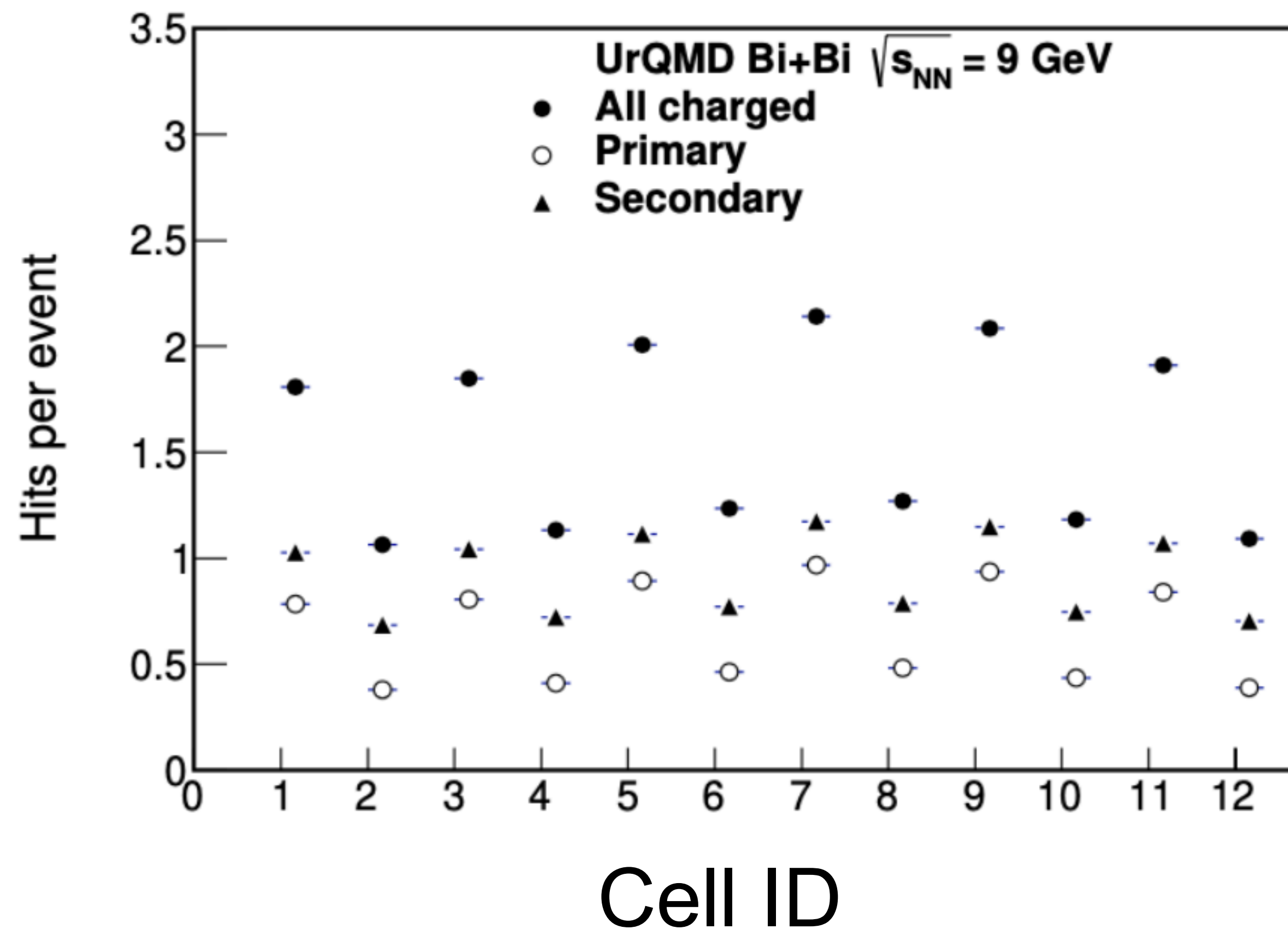
Simulation studies: hexagonal cells



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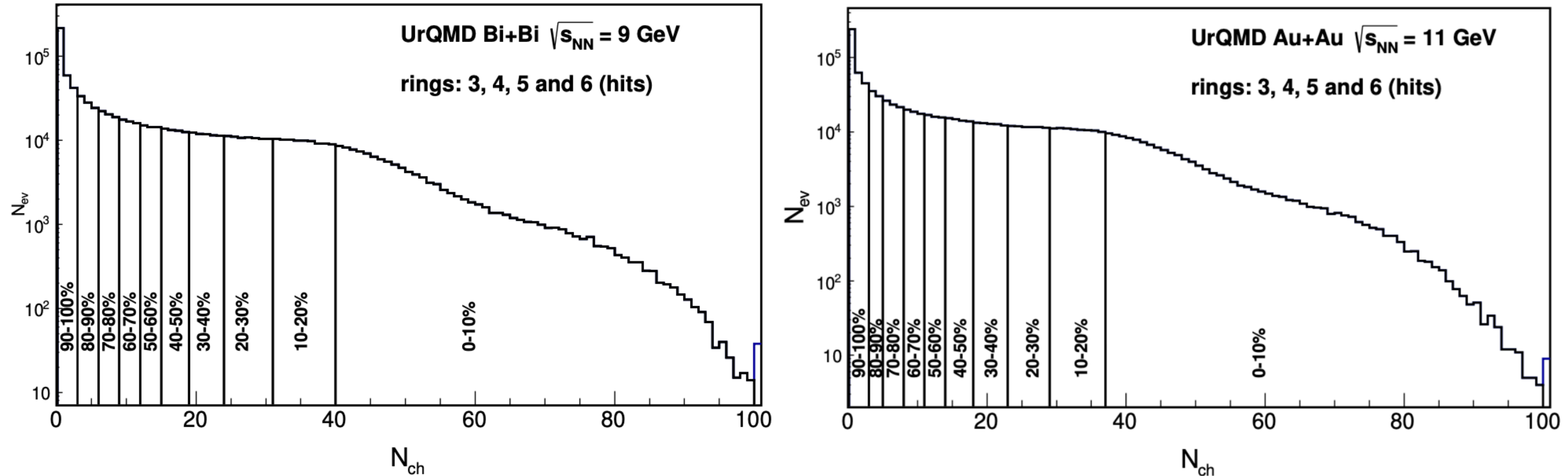
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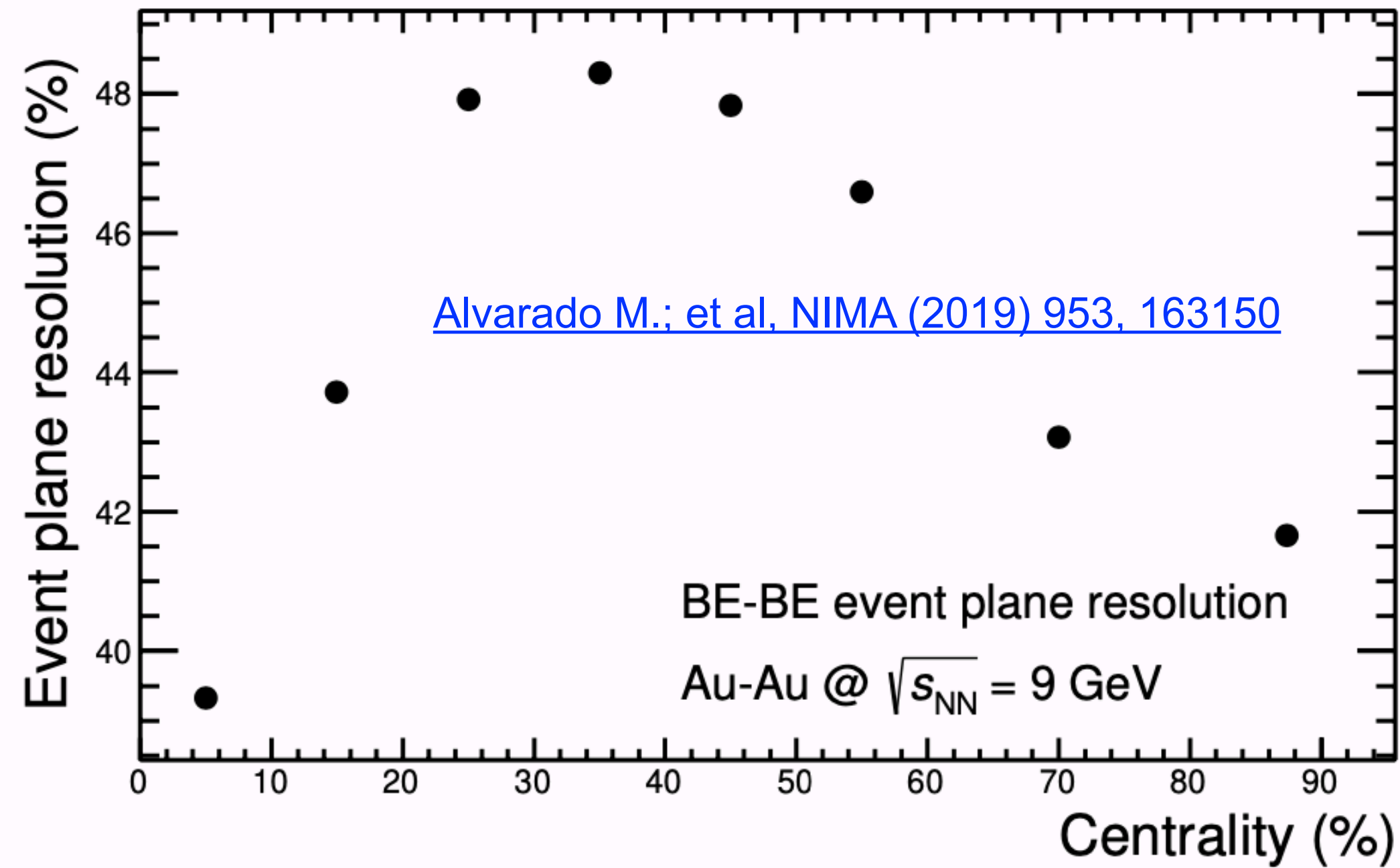
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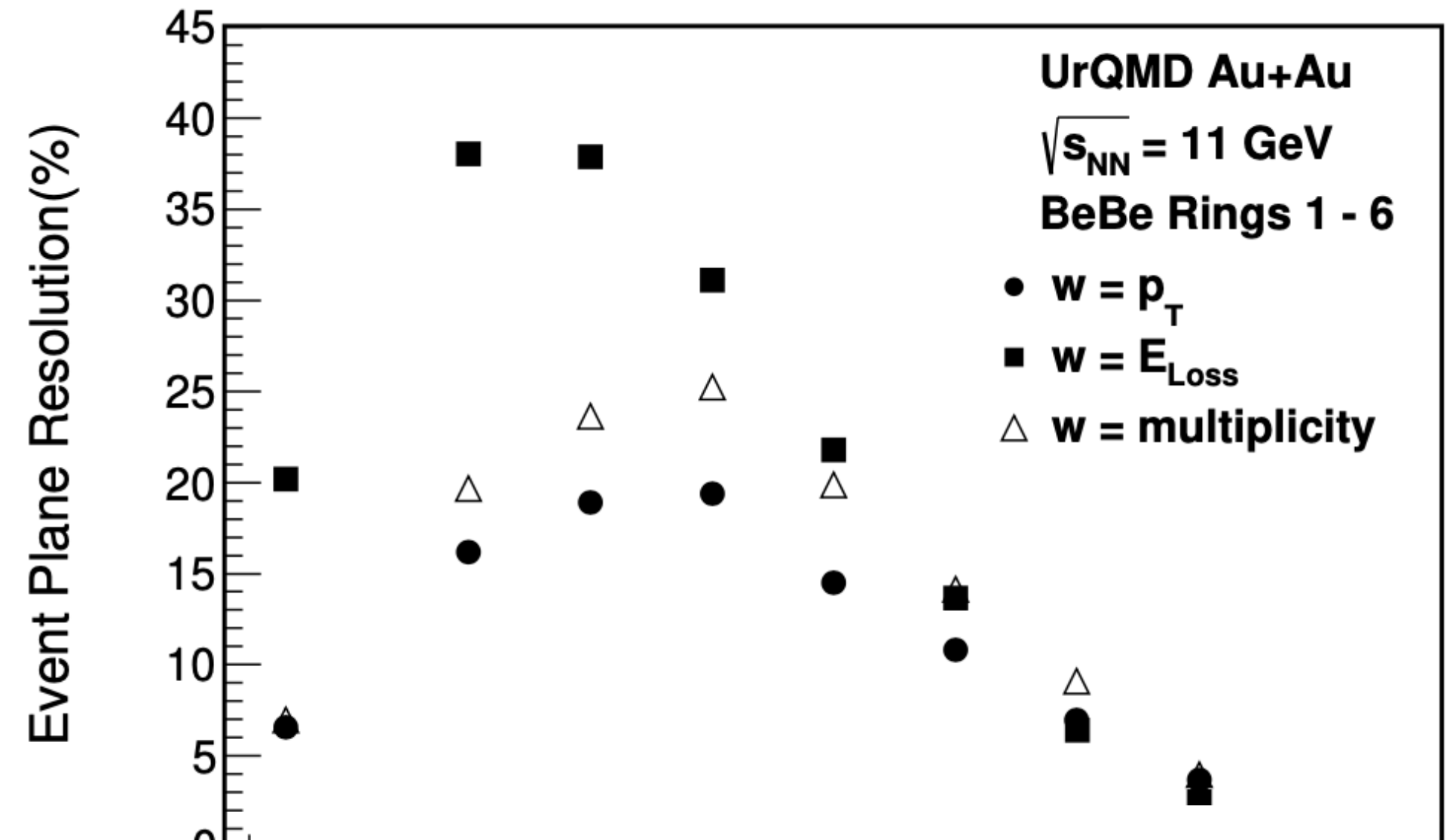
With the BeBe information would be possible to construct centrality classes using rings 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Simulation studies: hexagonal cells

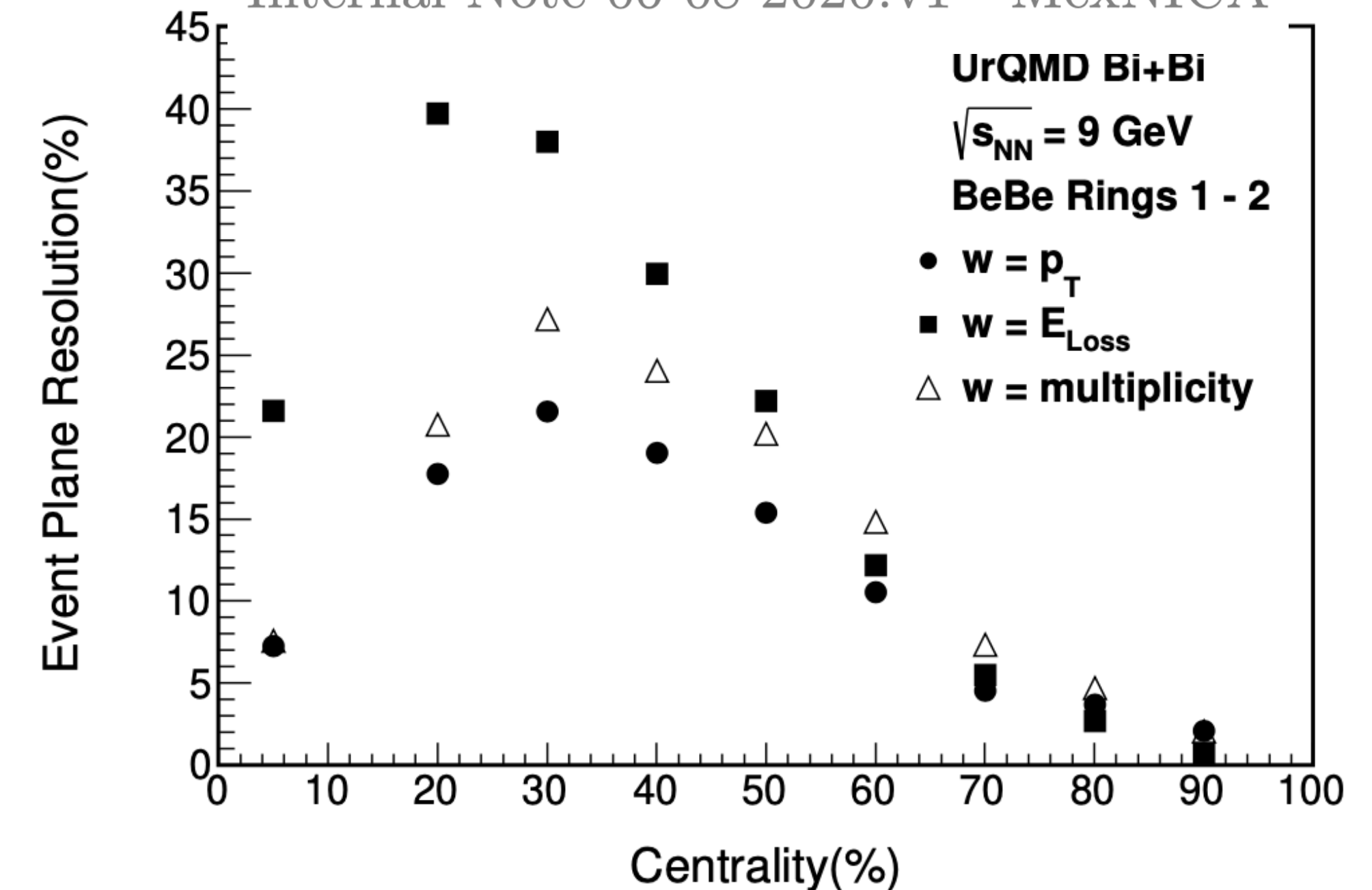


$$\Psi_n^{BB} = \frac{1}{n} \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m w_i \sin(n\varphi_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^m w_i \cos(n\varphi_i)} \right]$$

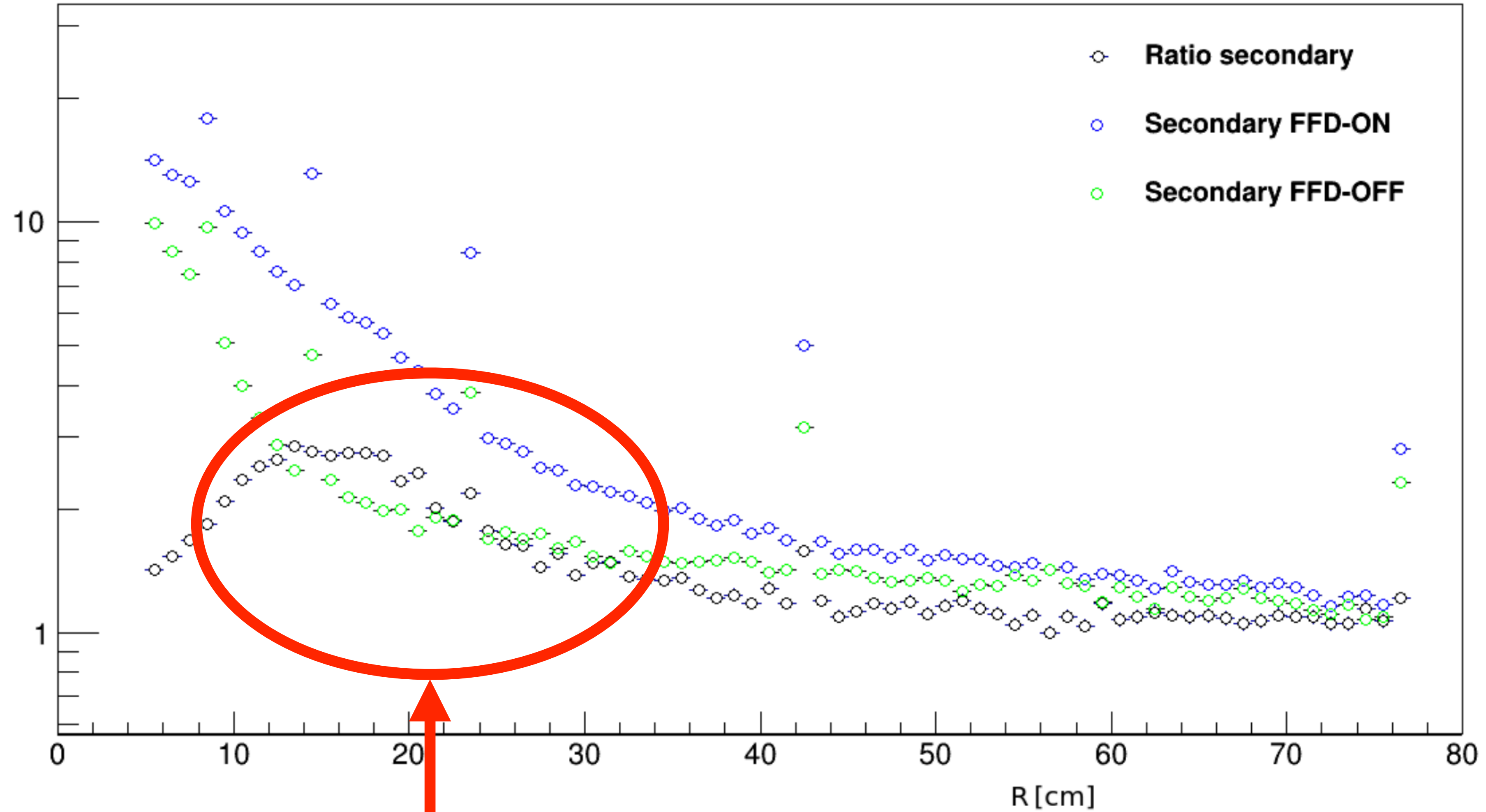
Maximum resolution between 25-45 % of centrality.



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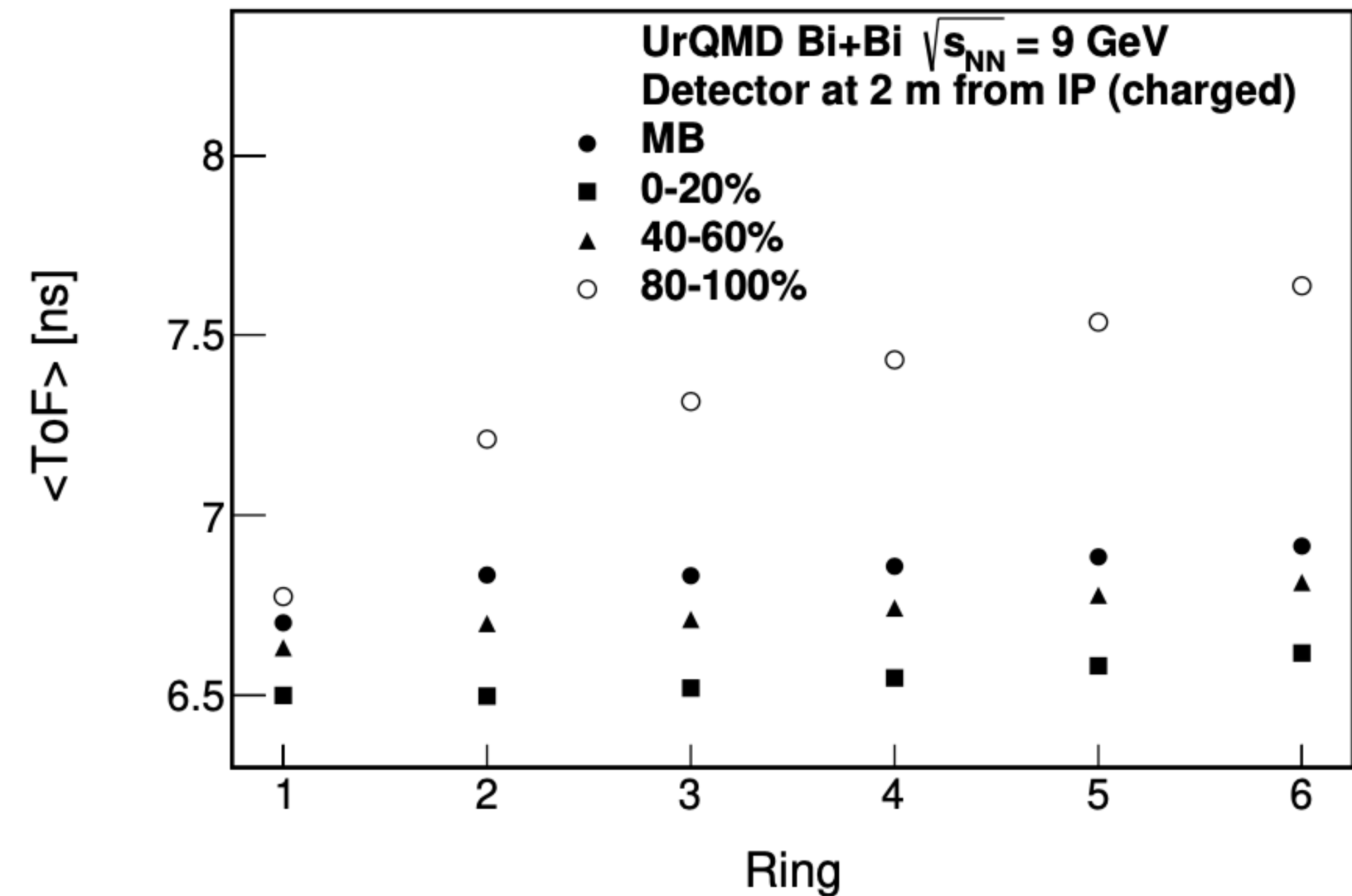
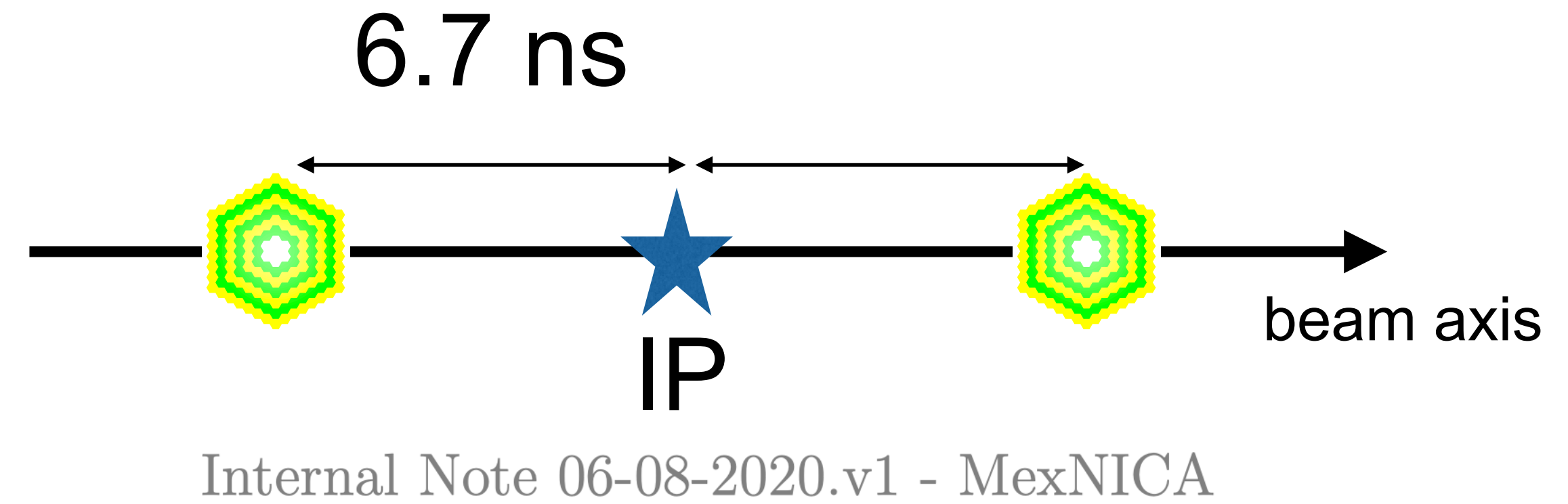
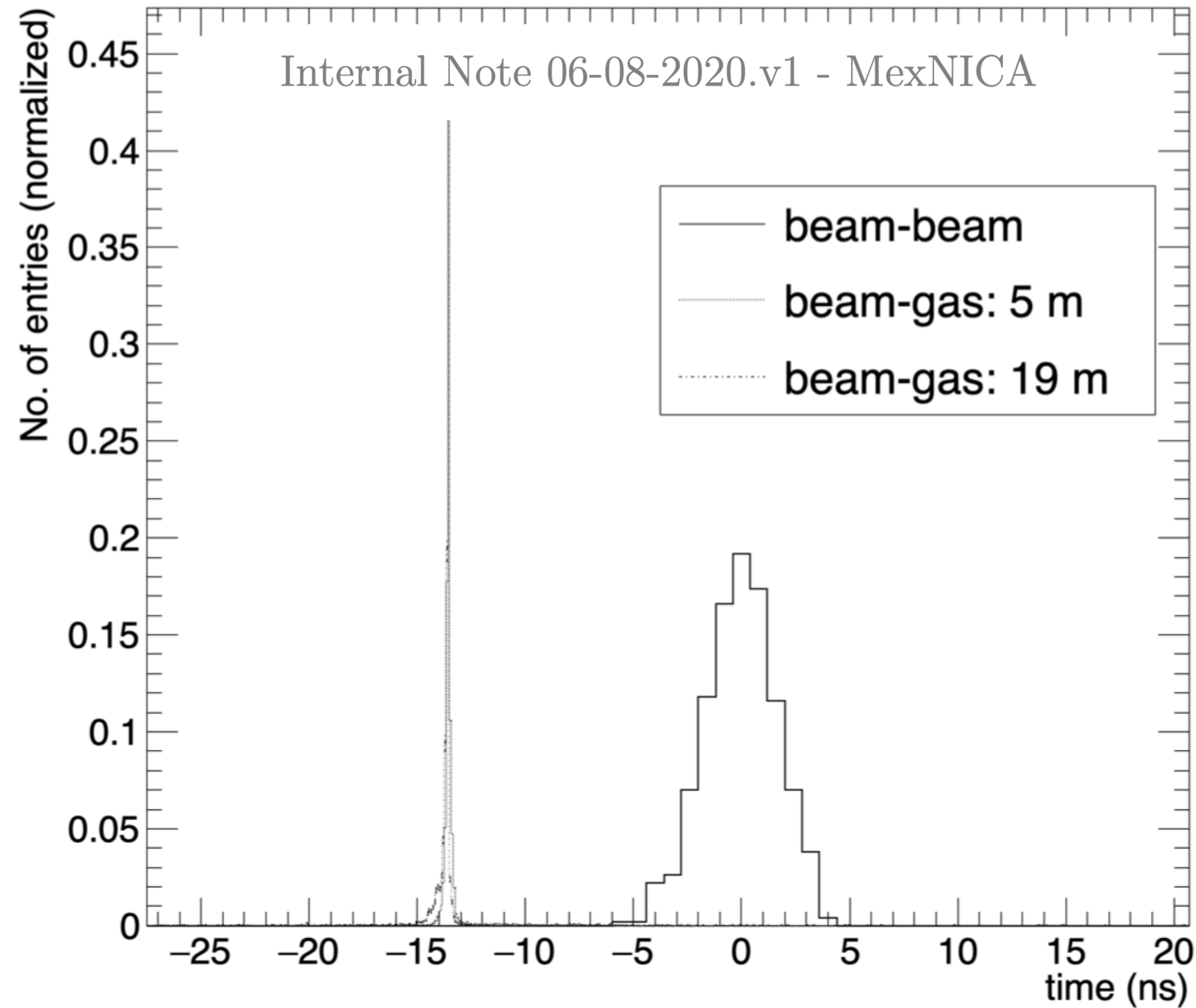


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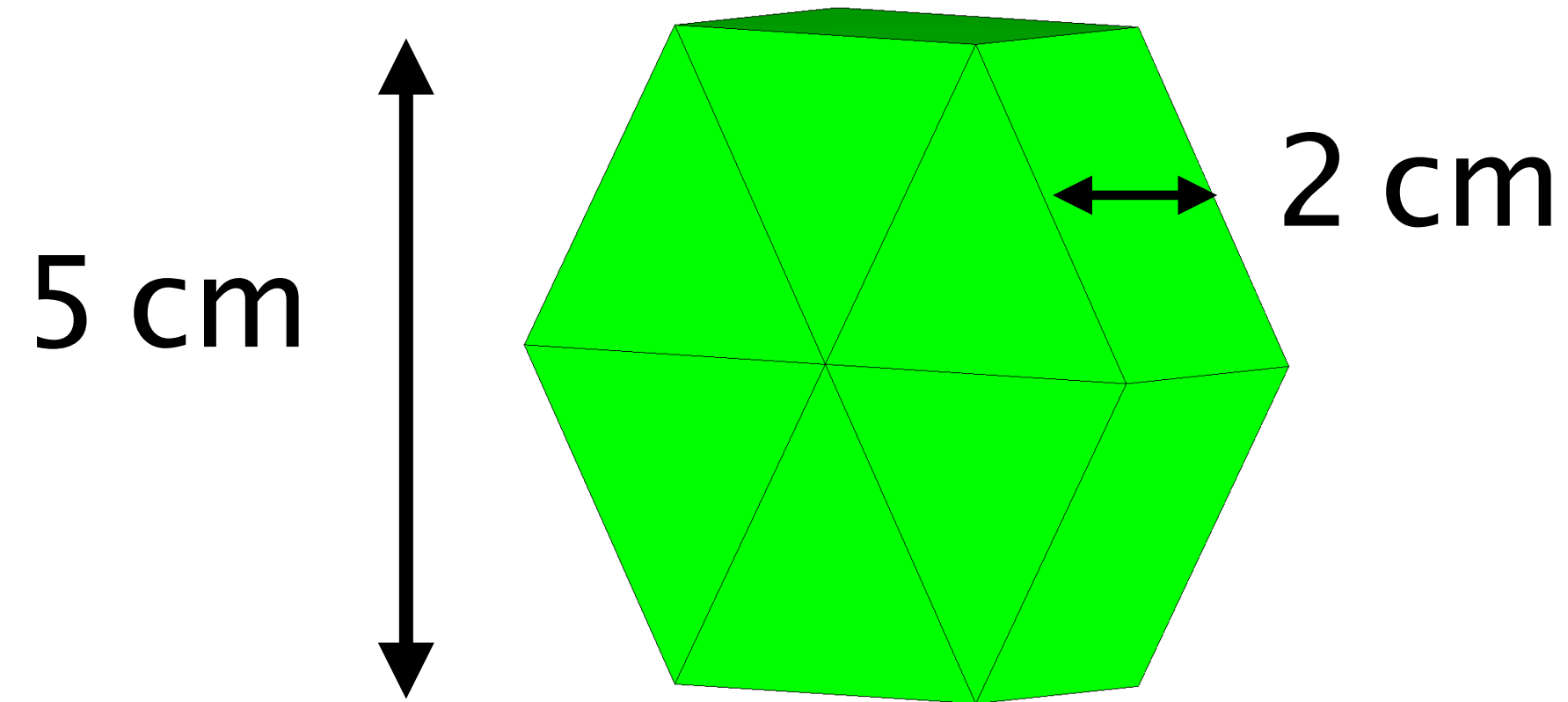


We may have a shadow from FFD

Simulation studies: hexagonal cells

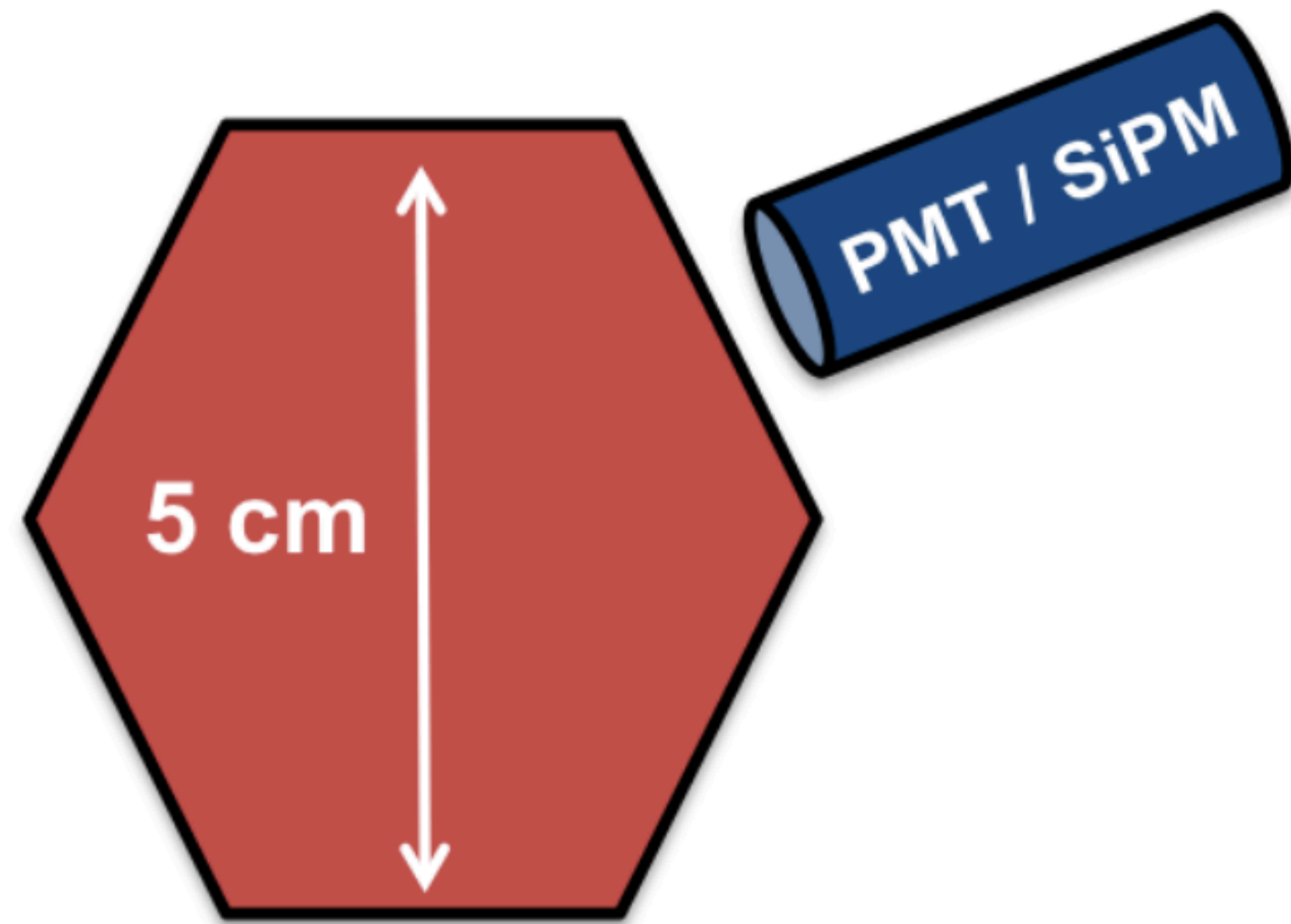


Time resolution studies: hexagonal cells



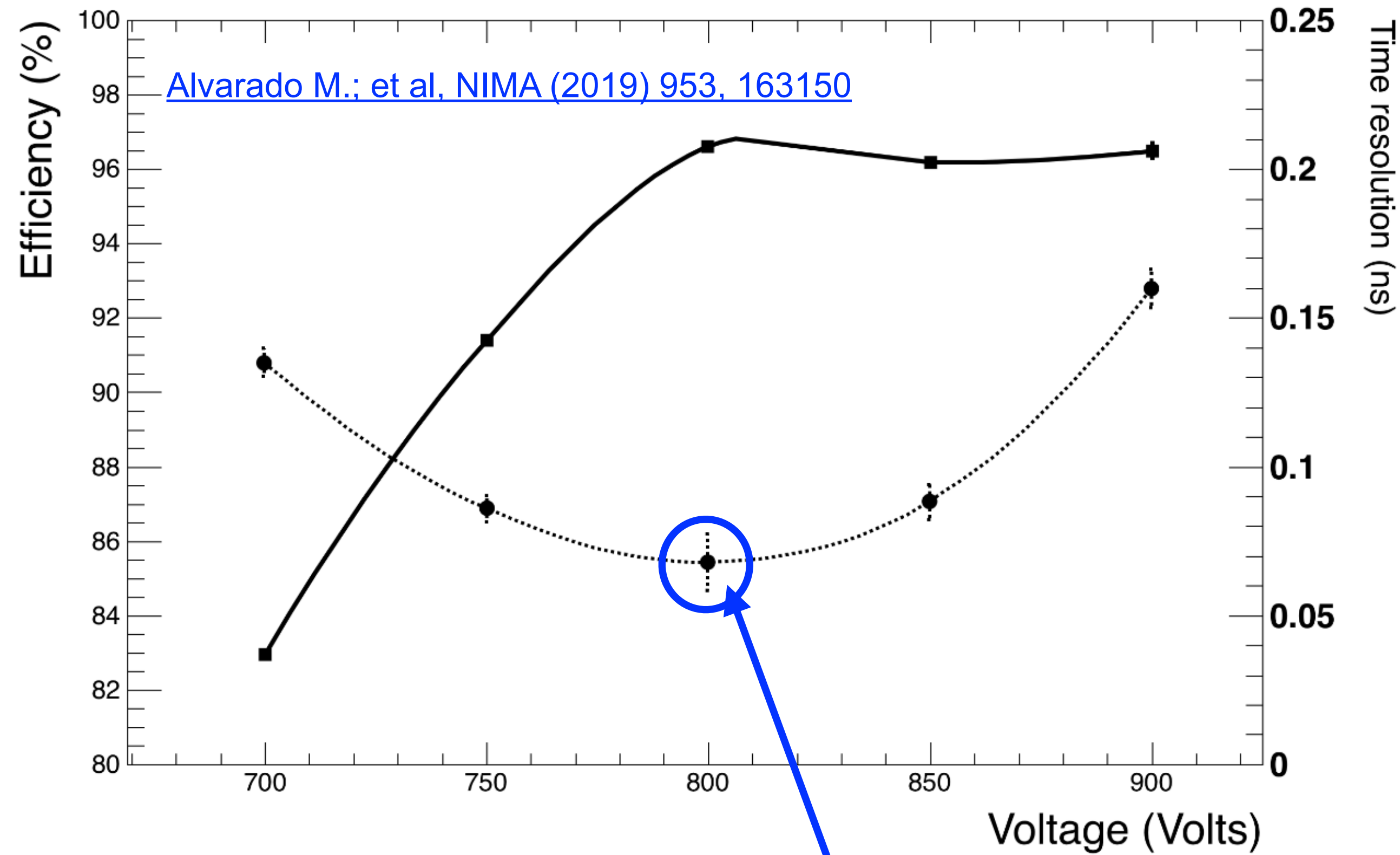
BE-BE prototype:

- ◆ hexagonal cell of 5 cm height and 2 cm width.
- ◆ BC-404 plastic scintillator
- ◆ evaluated at T10-CERN beam facilities **(May 2018)**
- ◆ DAQ provided by AD/VZERO ALICE groups. Same FEE as used in ALICE data taking.



Time resolution studies: hexagonal cells

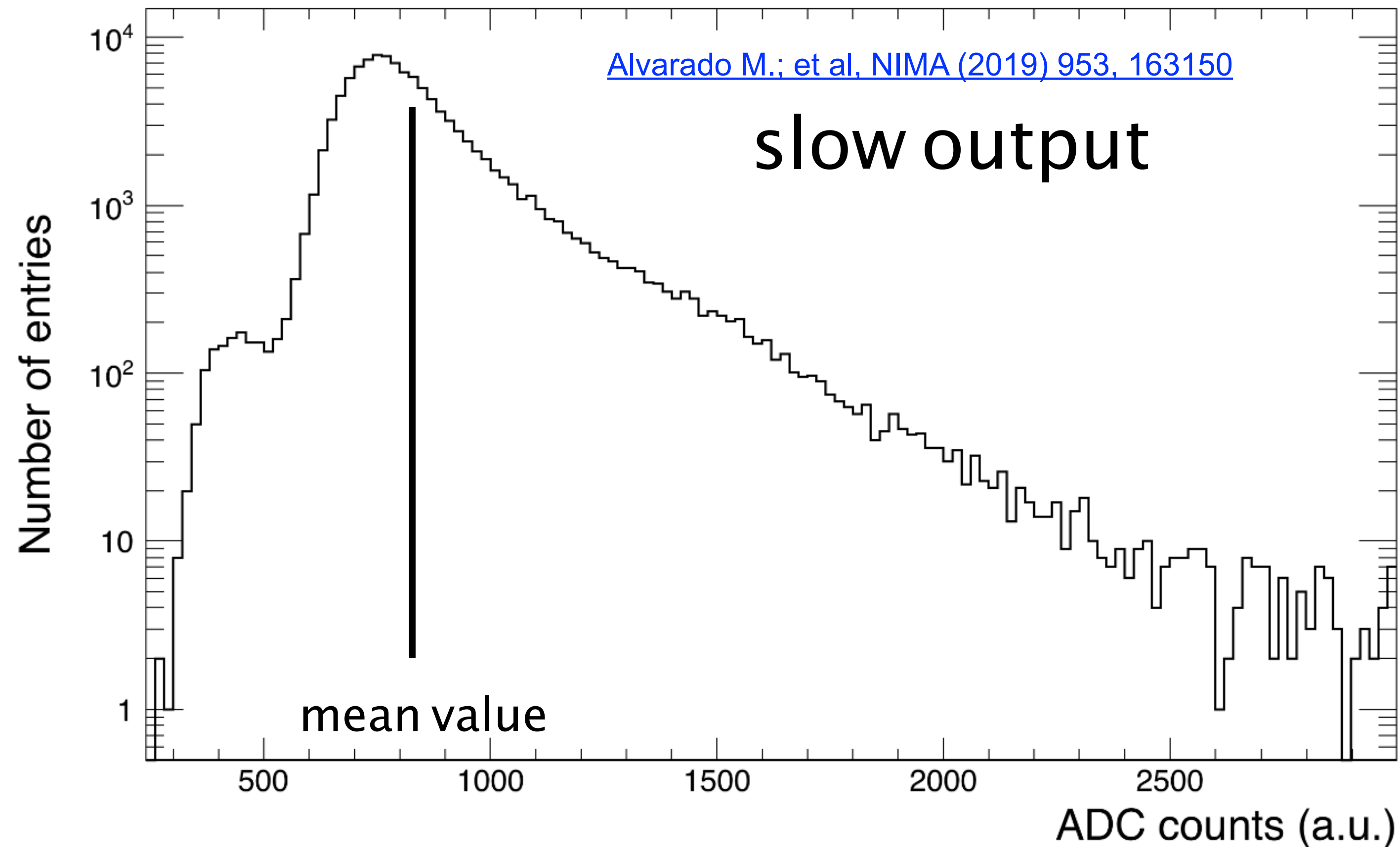
Time resolution of BE-BE prototype coupled to Hamamatsu PMT R6249



Voltage (V)	700	750	800	850	900
Time resolution (ps)	135 ± 5	86 ± 4	68 ± 5	88 ± 6	160 ± 7
χ^2/ndf	33.32/24	13.42/19	23.26/19	19.82/19	27.68/23

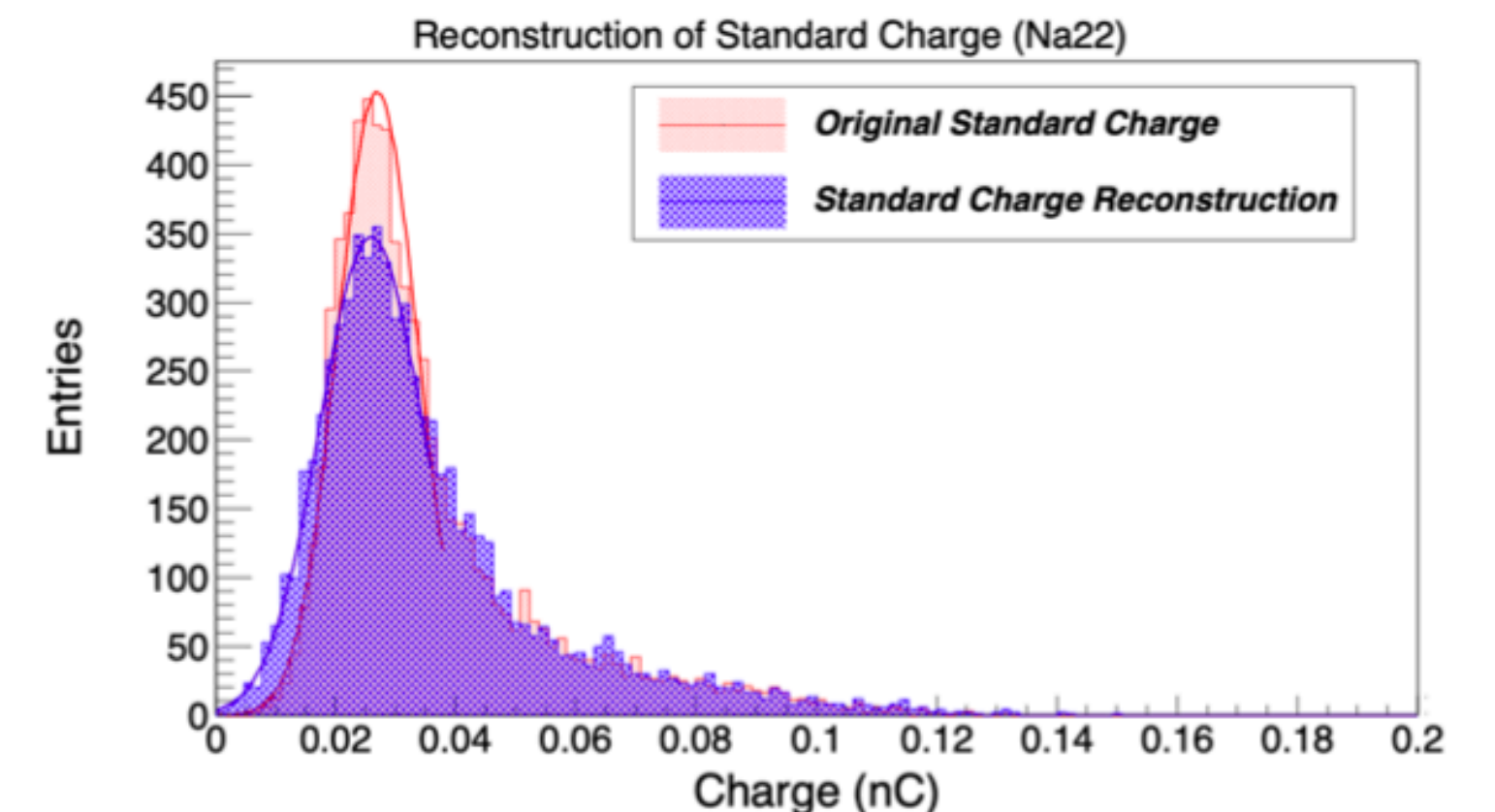
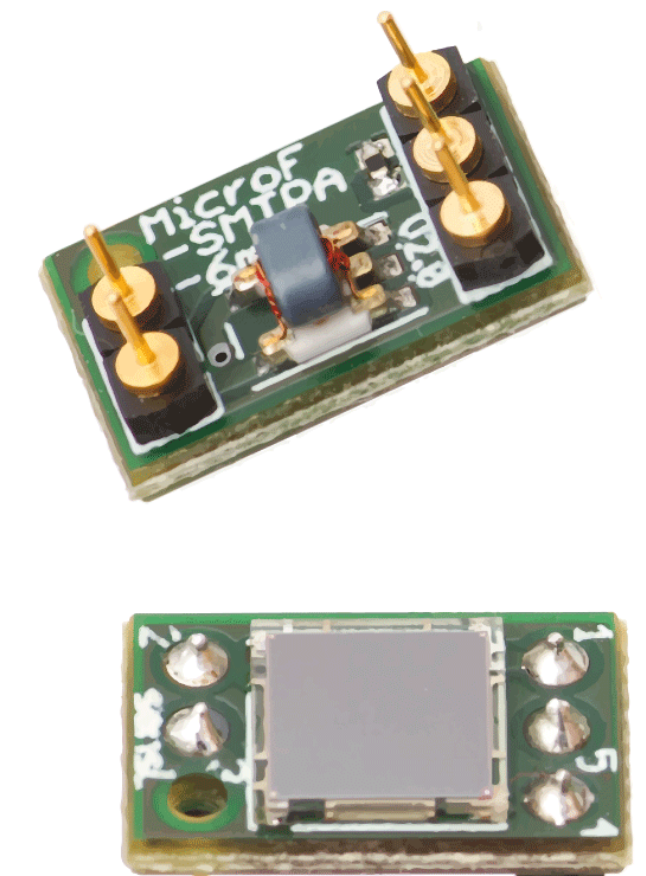
Time resolution studies: hexagonal cells

SensL (C-60035-4P-EVB) SiPM



Several ADC ranges, for slow(charge) output, were considered to compute the time resolution of BB_{p2}

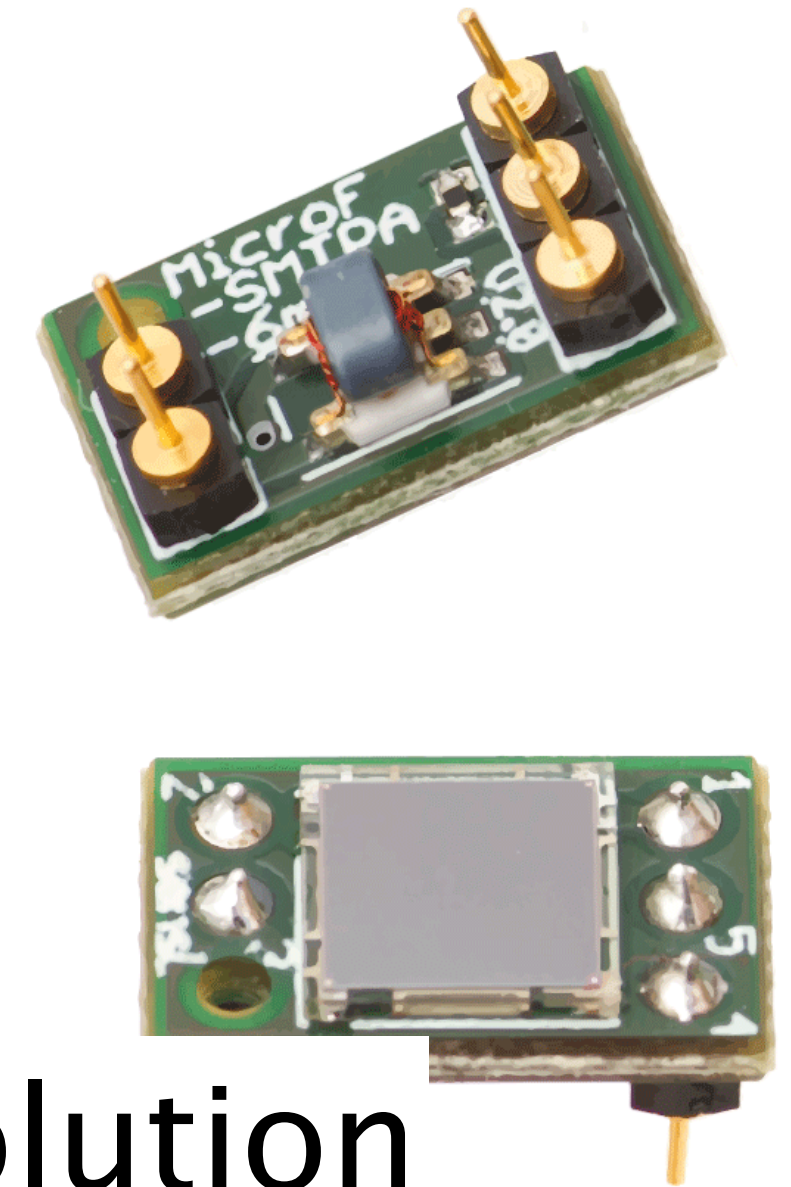
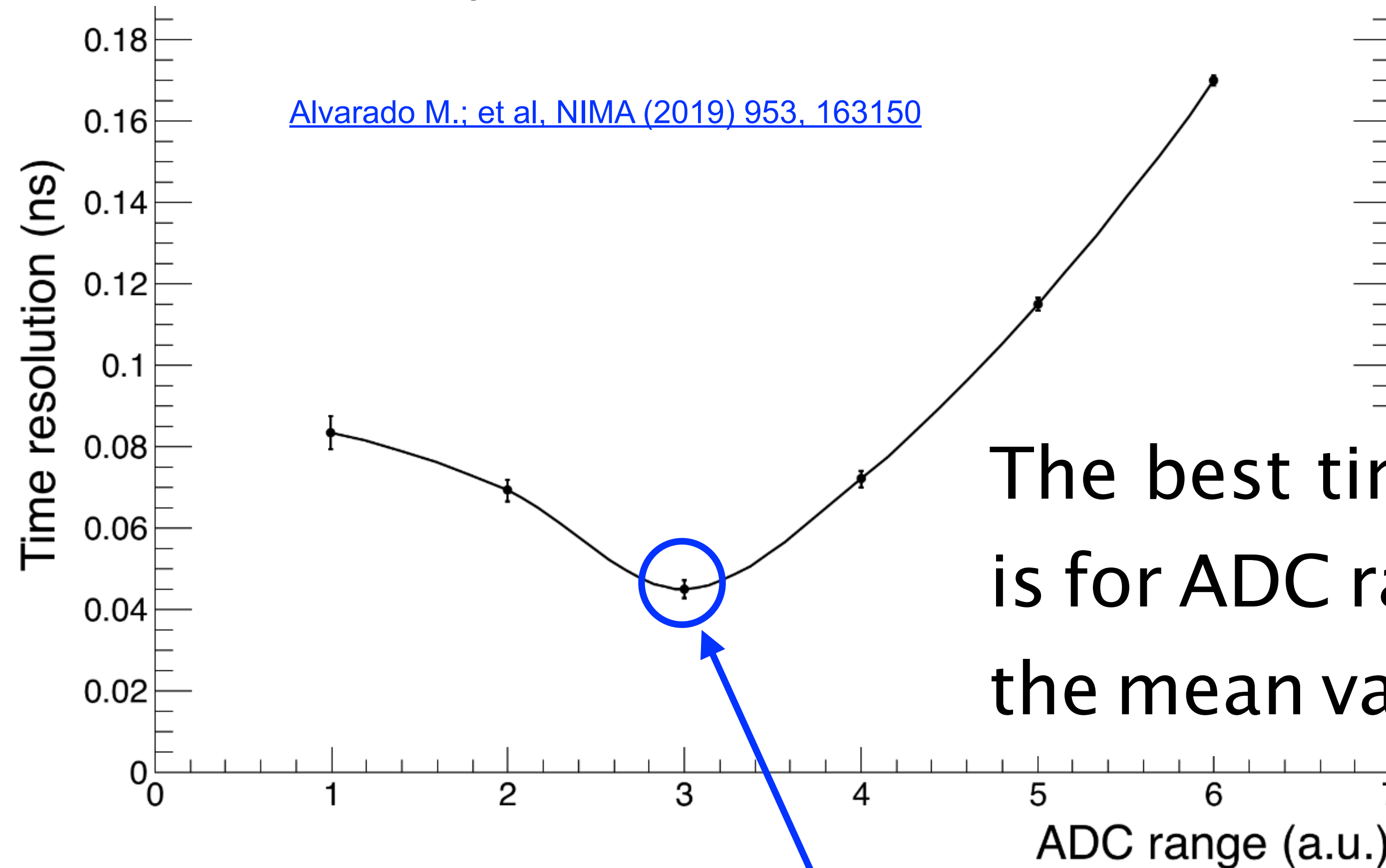
- 1.850 - 870
- 2.840-880
- 3.830-880
- 4.830-890
- 5.800-920
- 6.700-900



Two outputs: fast (timing) and slow (charge)

Time resolution studies: hexagonal cells

SensL (C-60035-4P-EVB) SiPM



The best time resolution is for ADC ranges around the mean value

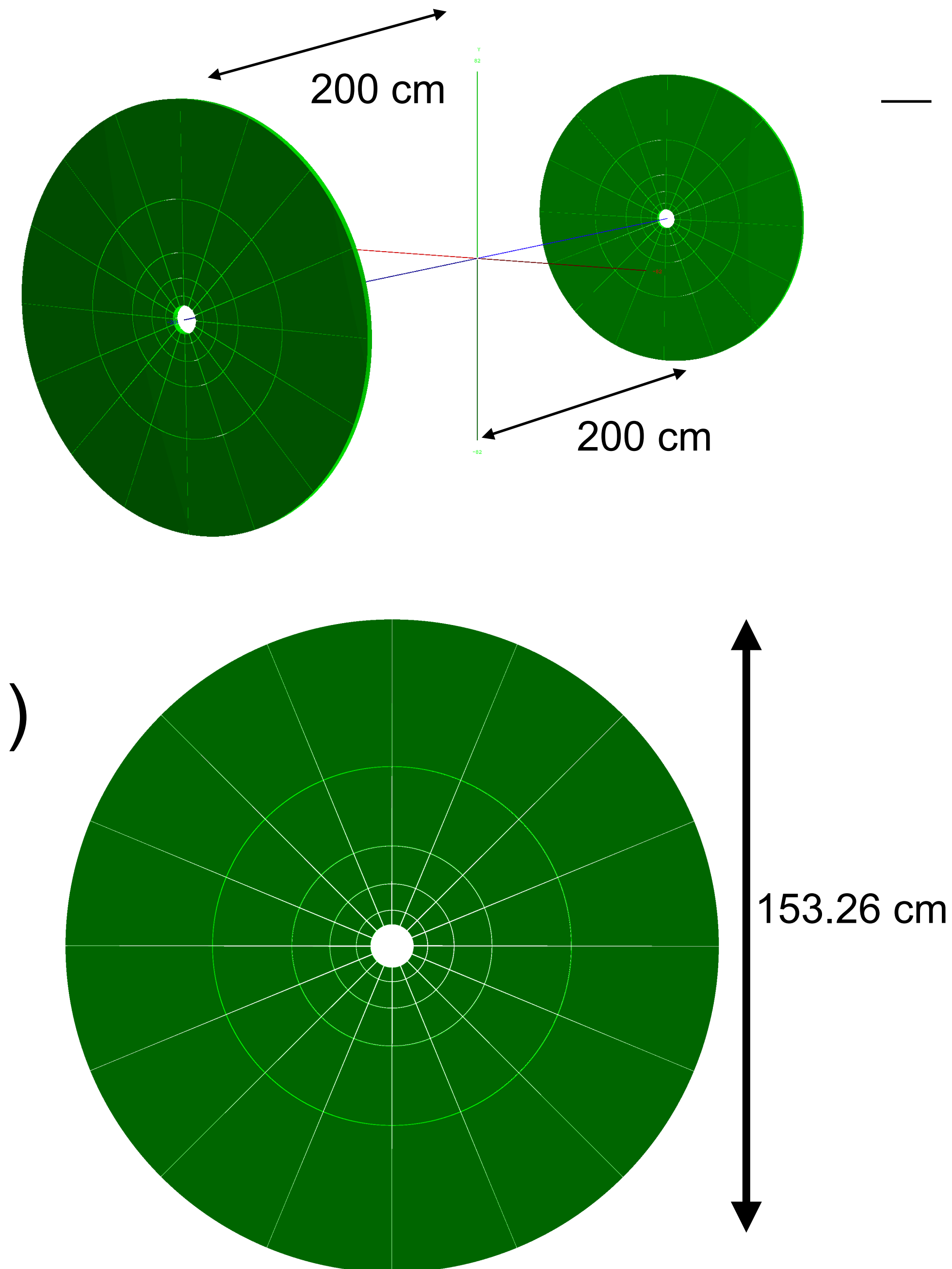
ADC range (a.u.)	850-870 (1)	840-880 (2)	830-880 (3)	830-890 (4)	800-920 (5)	700-900 (6)
Time resolution (ps)	83 ± 4	69 ± 3	45 ± 2	72 ± 2	115 ± 2	170 ± 1
χ^2/ndf	27.24/20	60.09/24	82.22/25	65.14/25	150.3/28	140.2/31

Detector concept: disk cells

BeBe detector

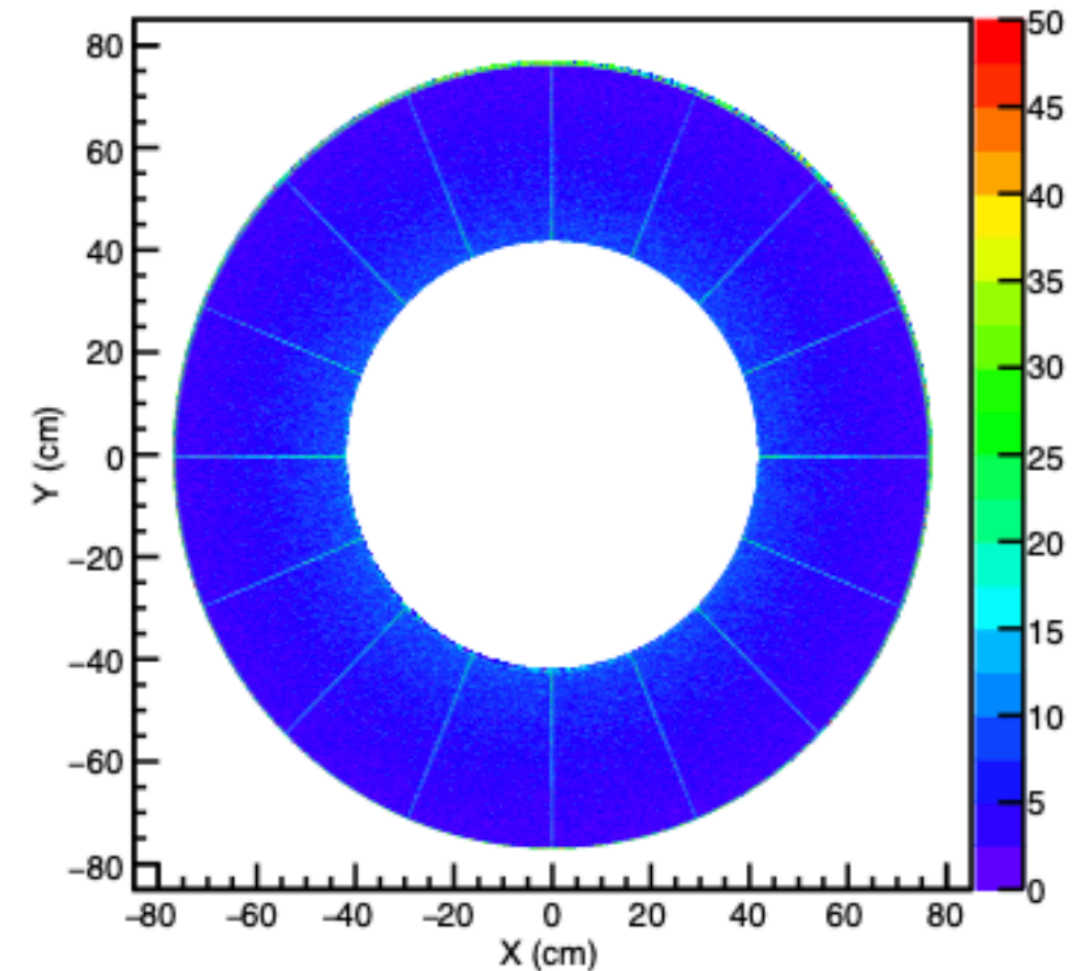
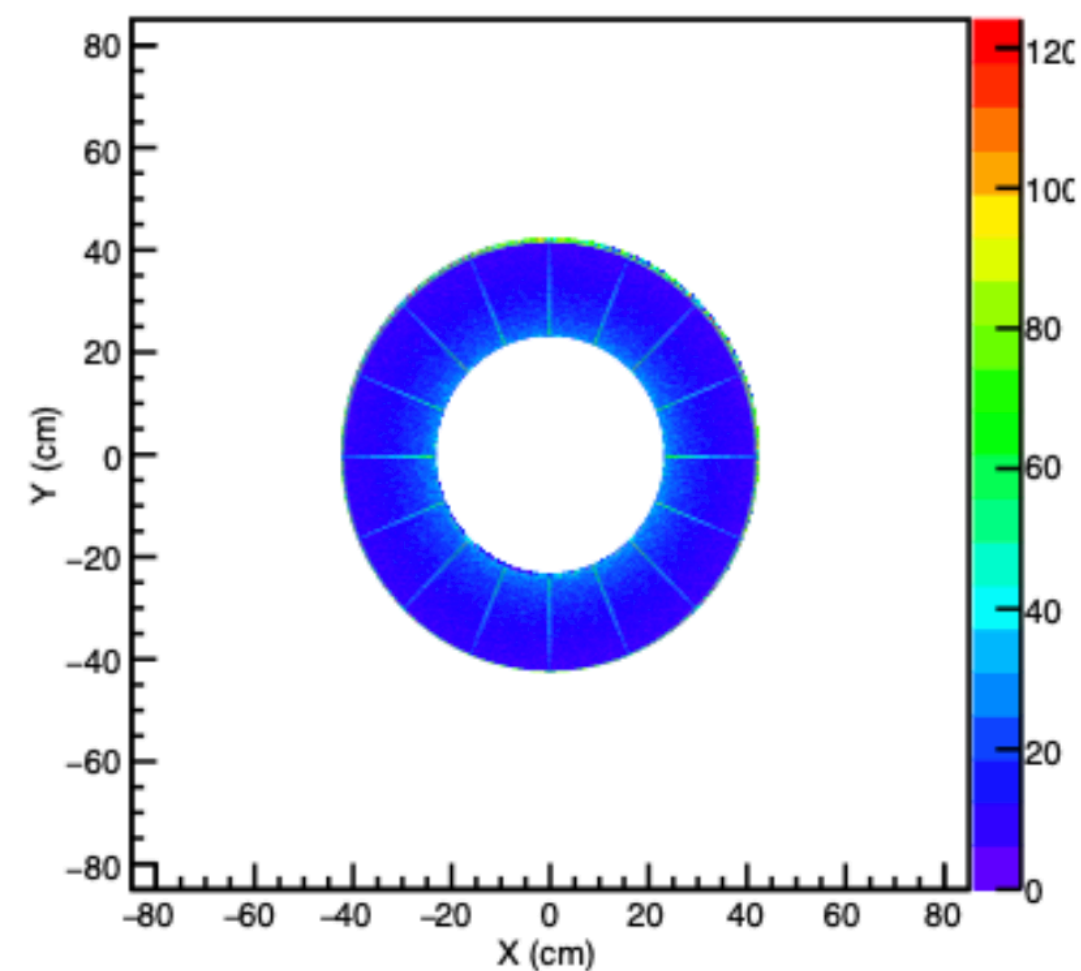
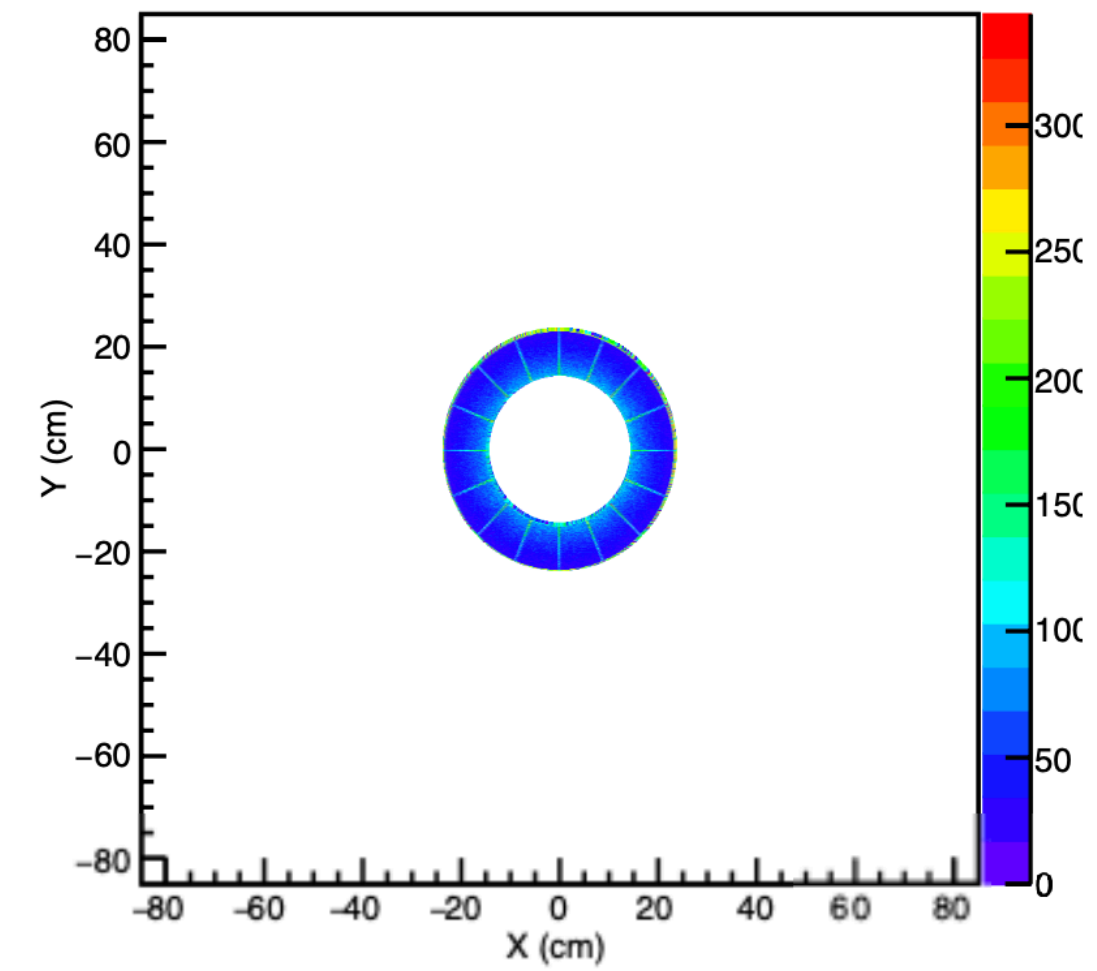
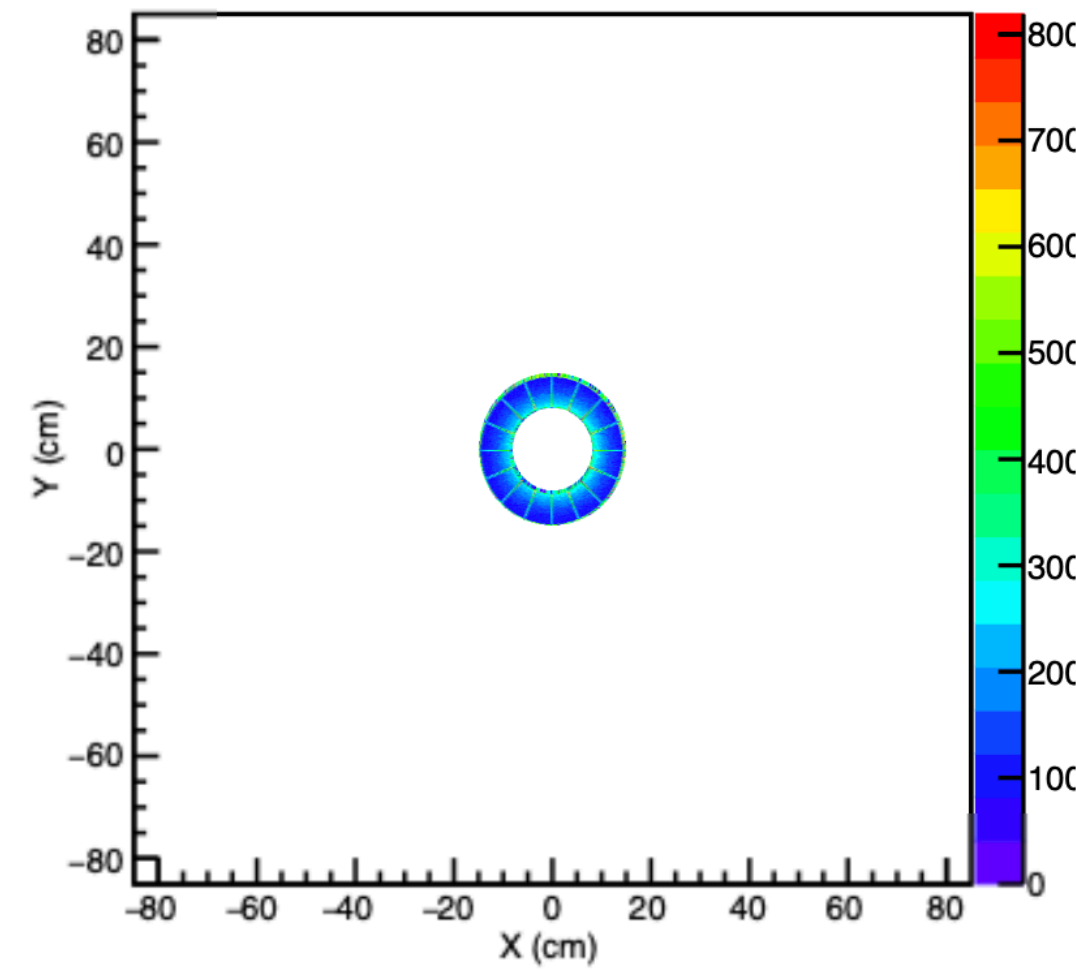
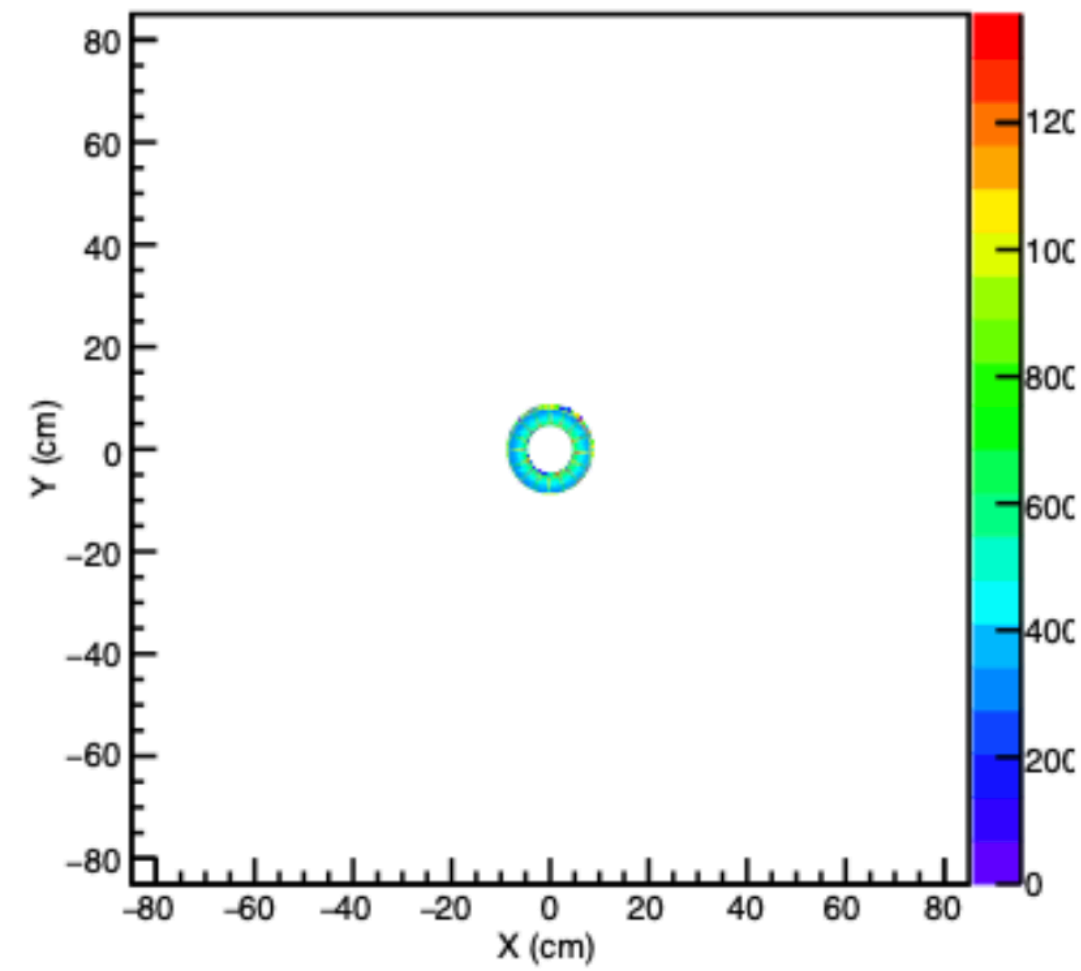
- 80 cells per side (1 cm width)
- five concentric rings
- plastic scintillator BC404
- $1.68 < |\eta| < 4.36$
- photosensors: SiPM or PMT (do be decided)

The construction of centrality classes and beam-gas studies with this geometry is a work in progress. A similar physics performance w.r.t. hexagonal geometry is expected.



Simulation studies: disk cells

inner most ring



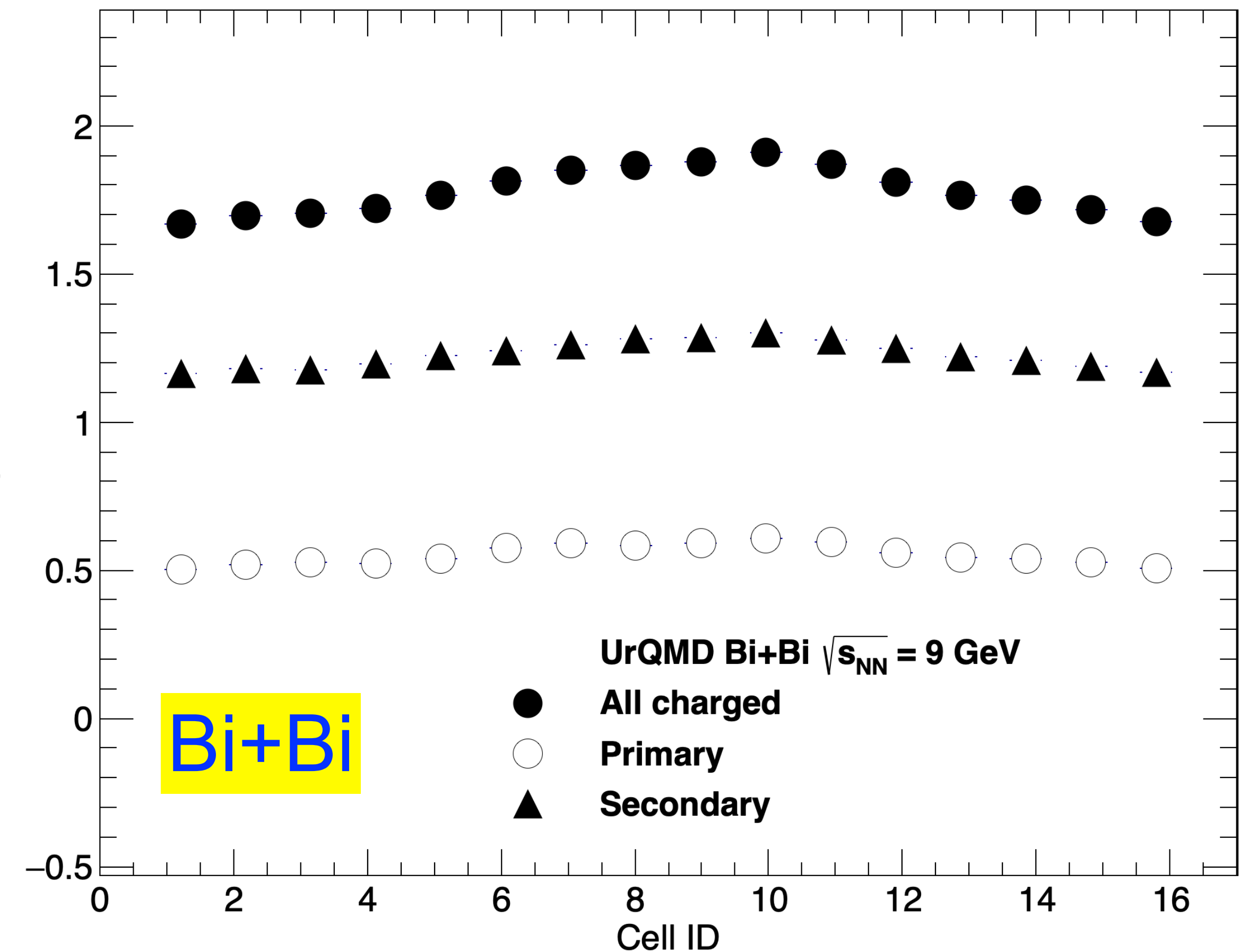
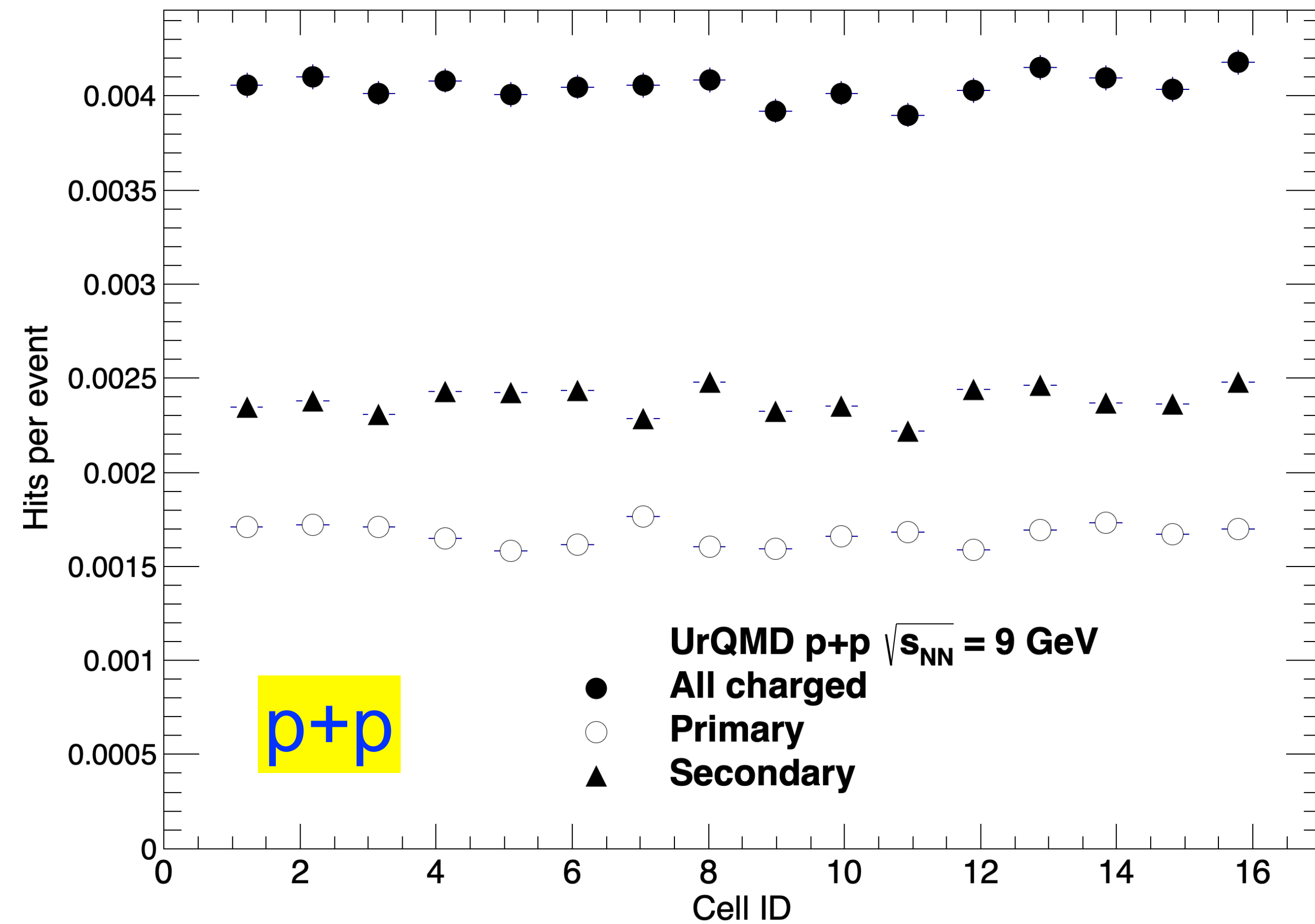
outer most ring

Simulation studies: disk cells

inner most ring

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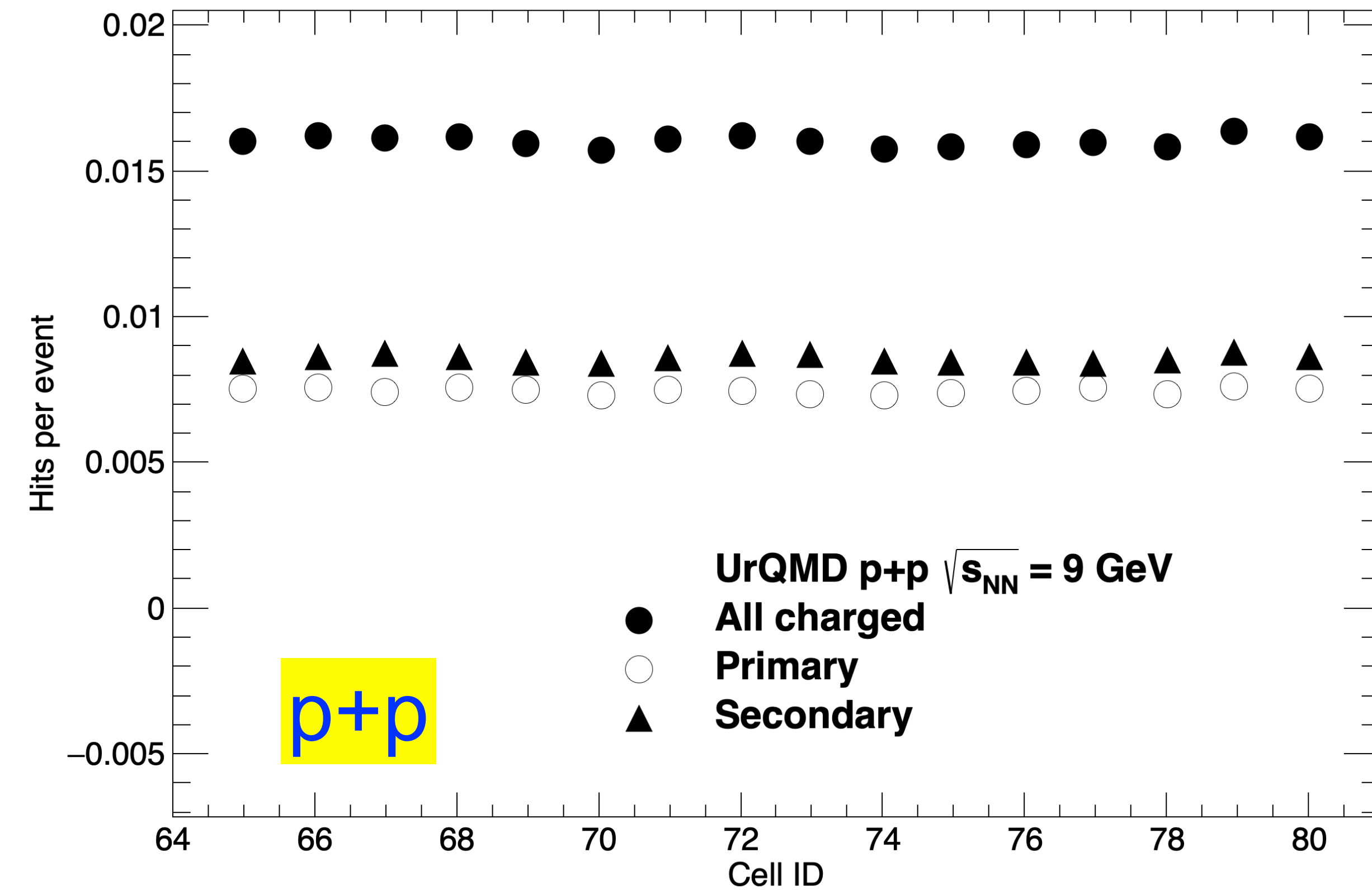
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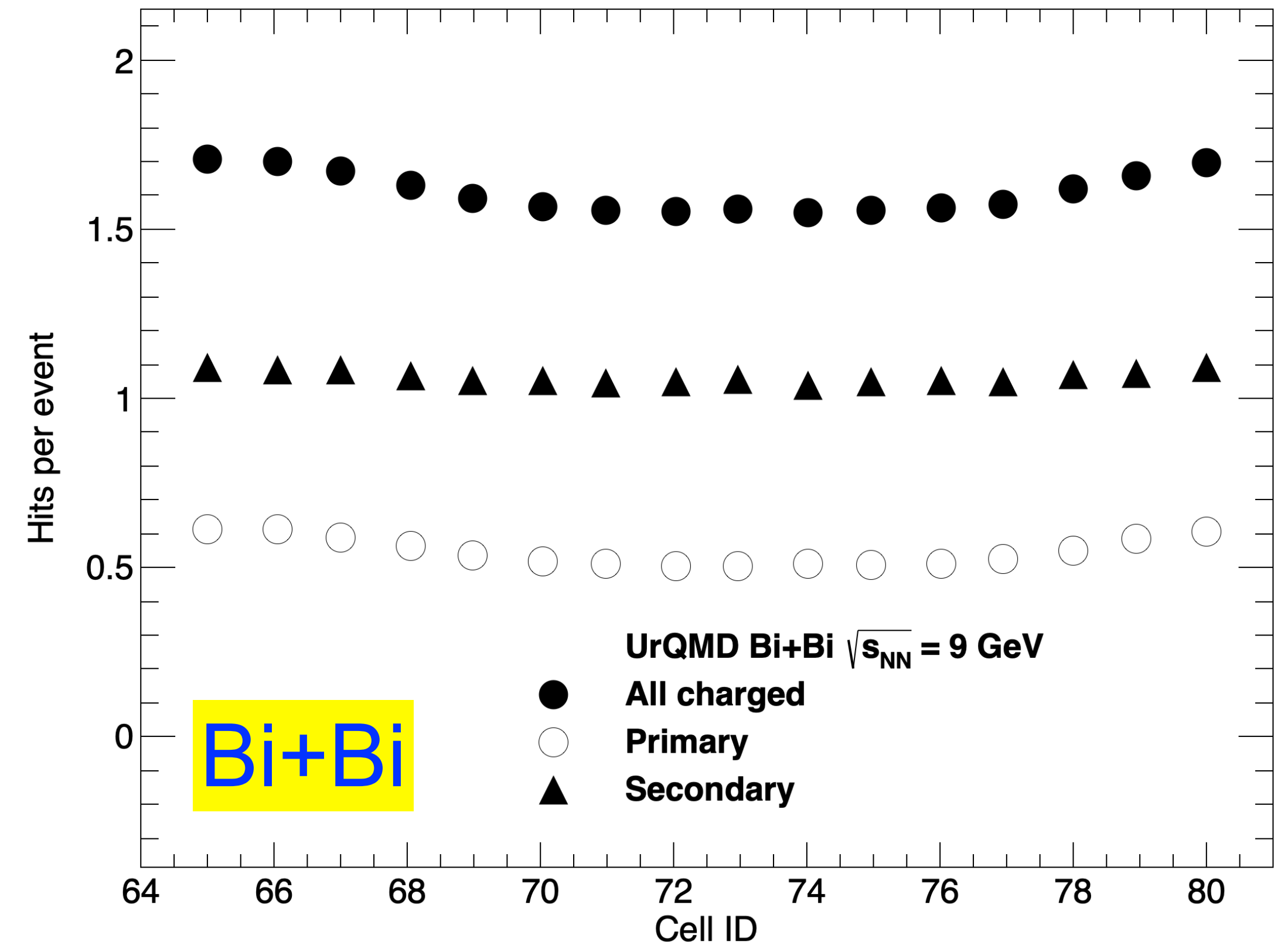
Simulation studies: disk cells

outer most ring

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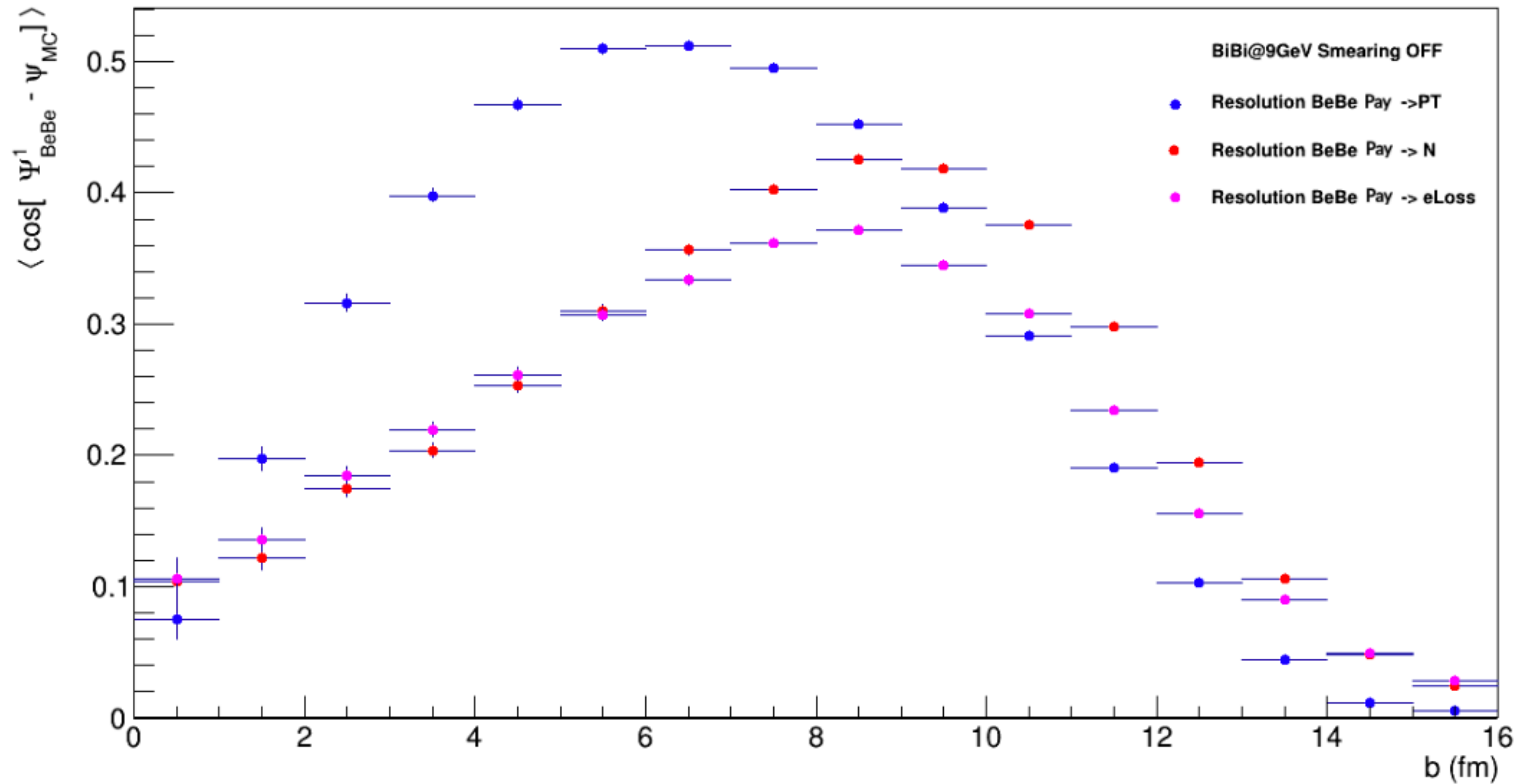


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Simulation studies: disk cells

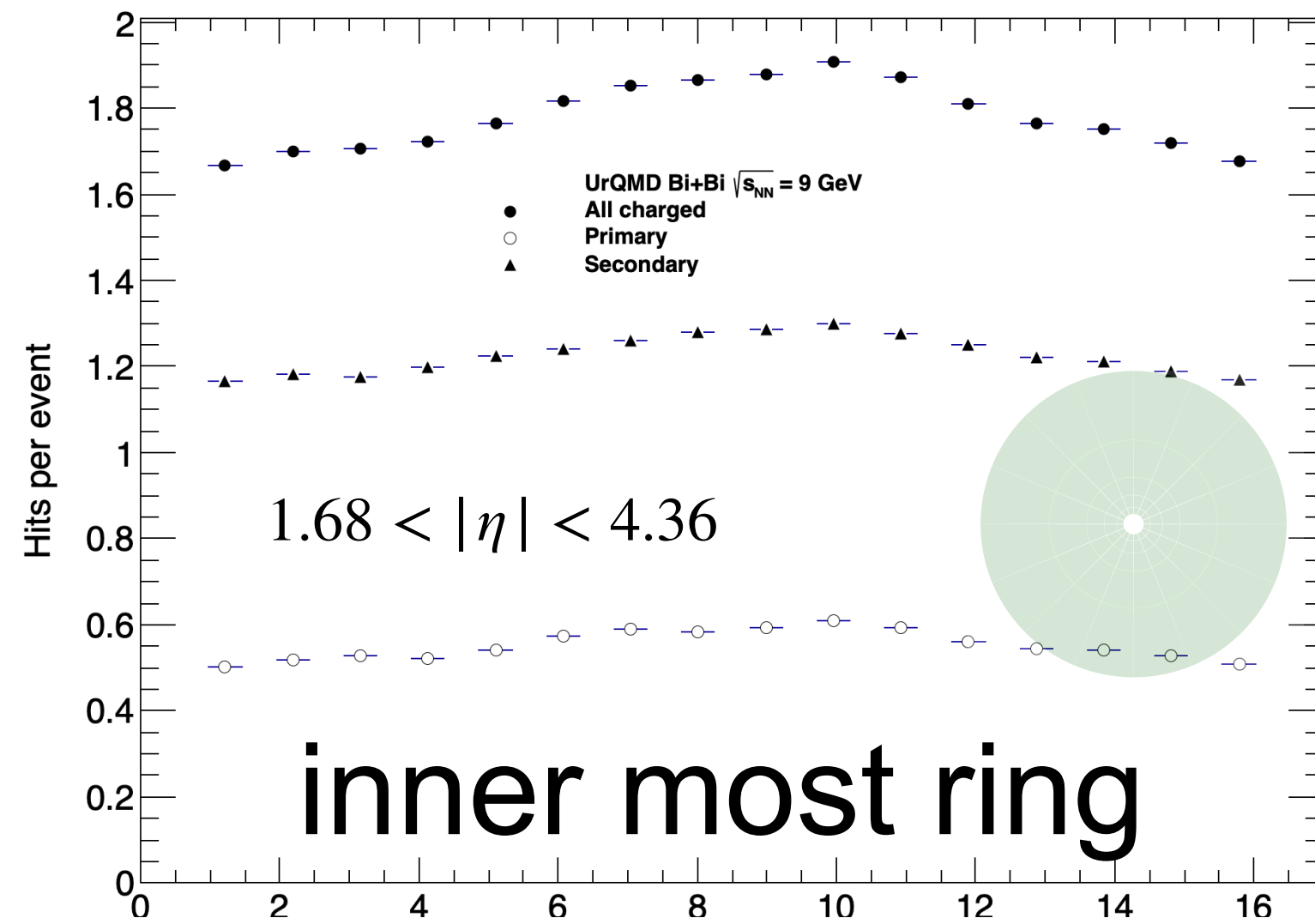
Resolution Event plane from BeBe Pay at BiBi@9GeV



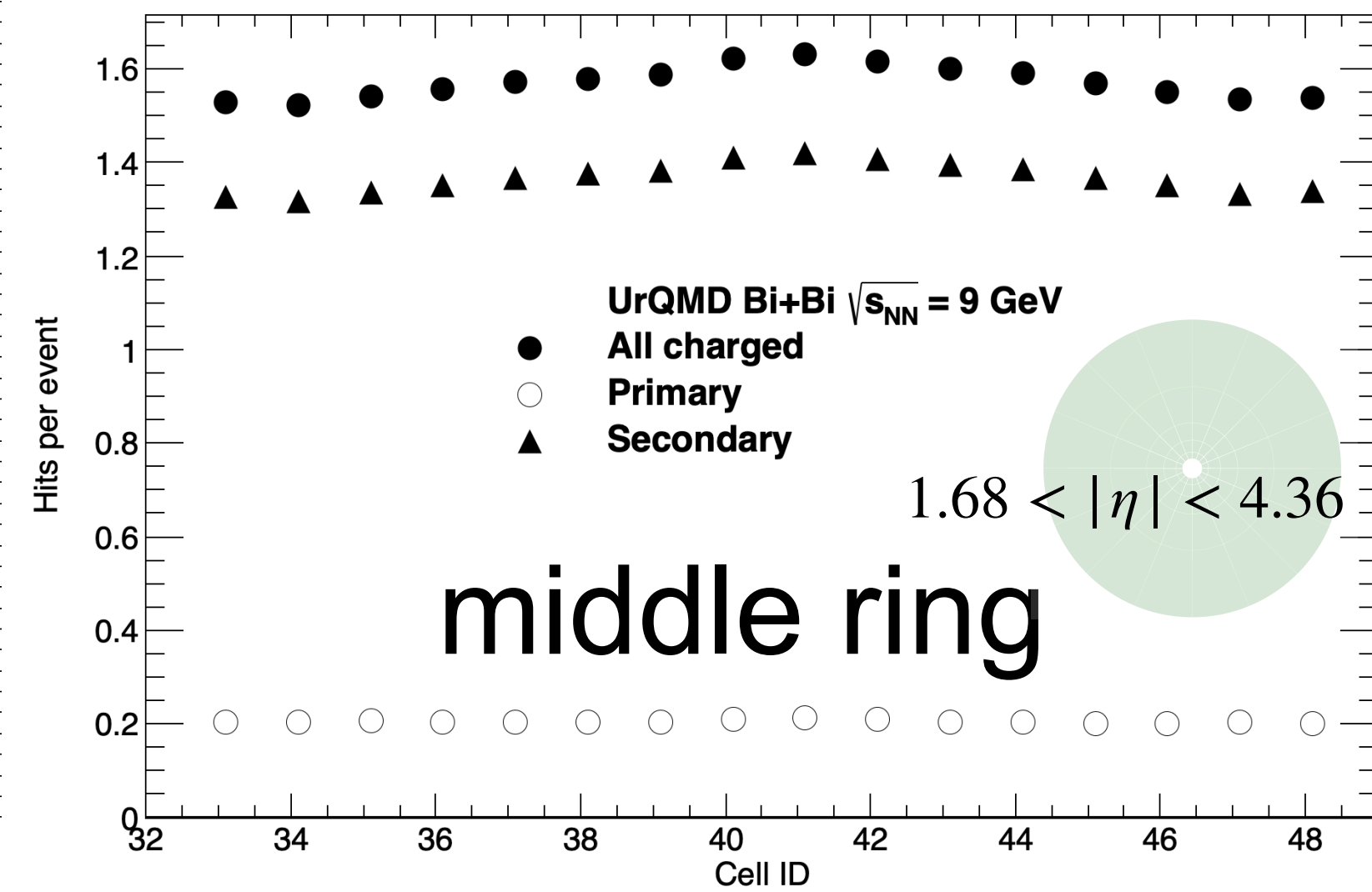
Simulation studies: disk VS hexagonal cells

Bi+Bi

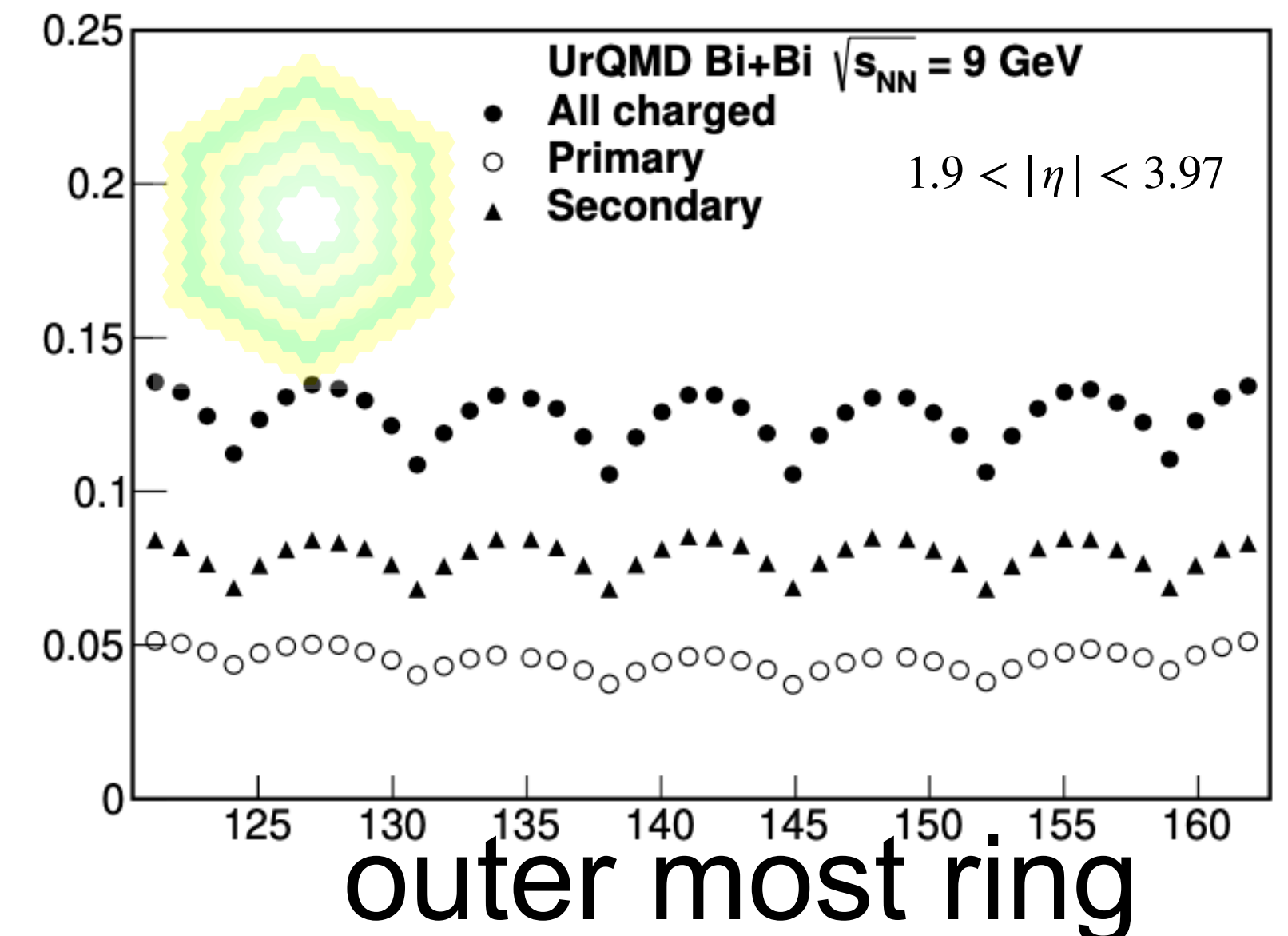
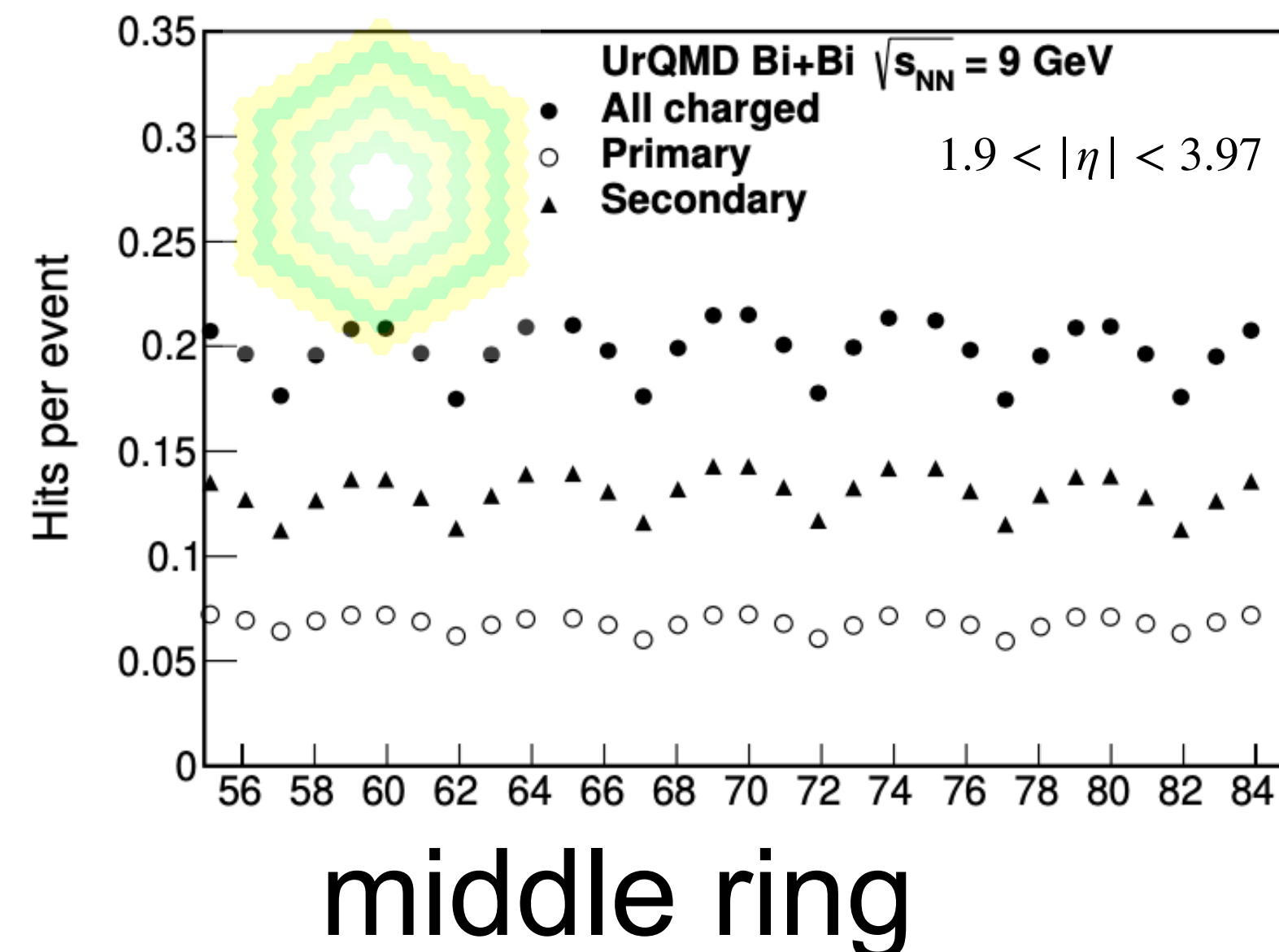
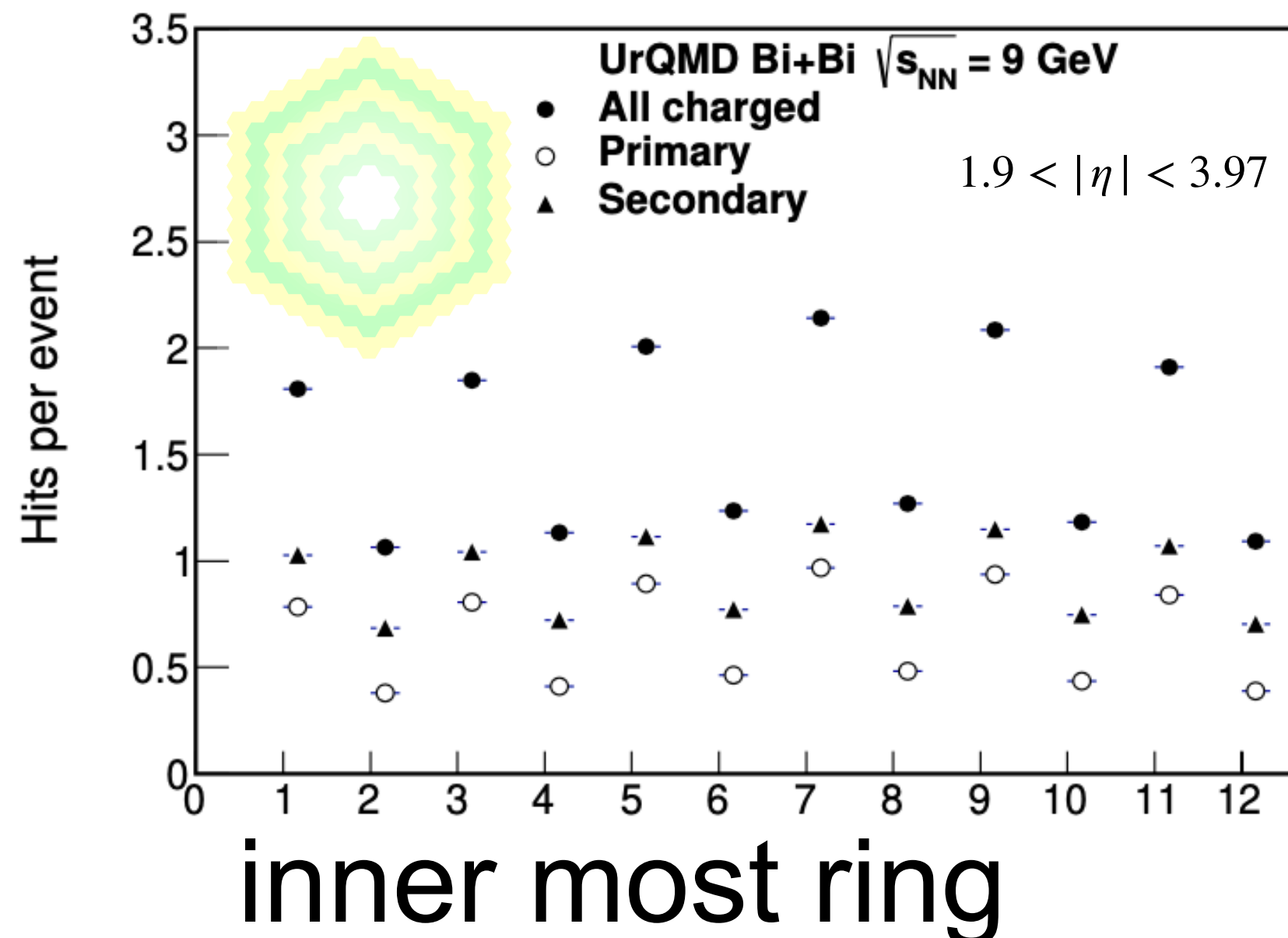
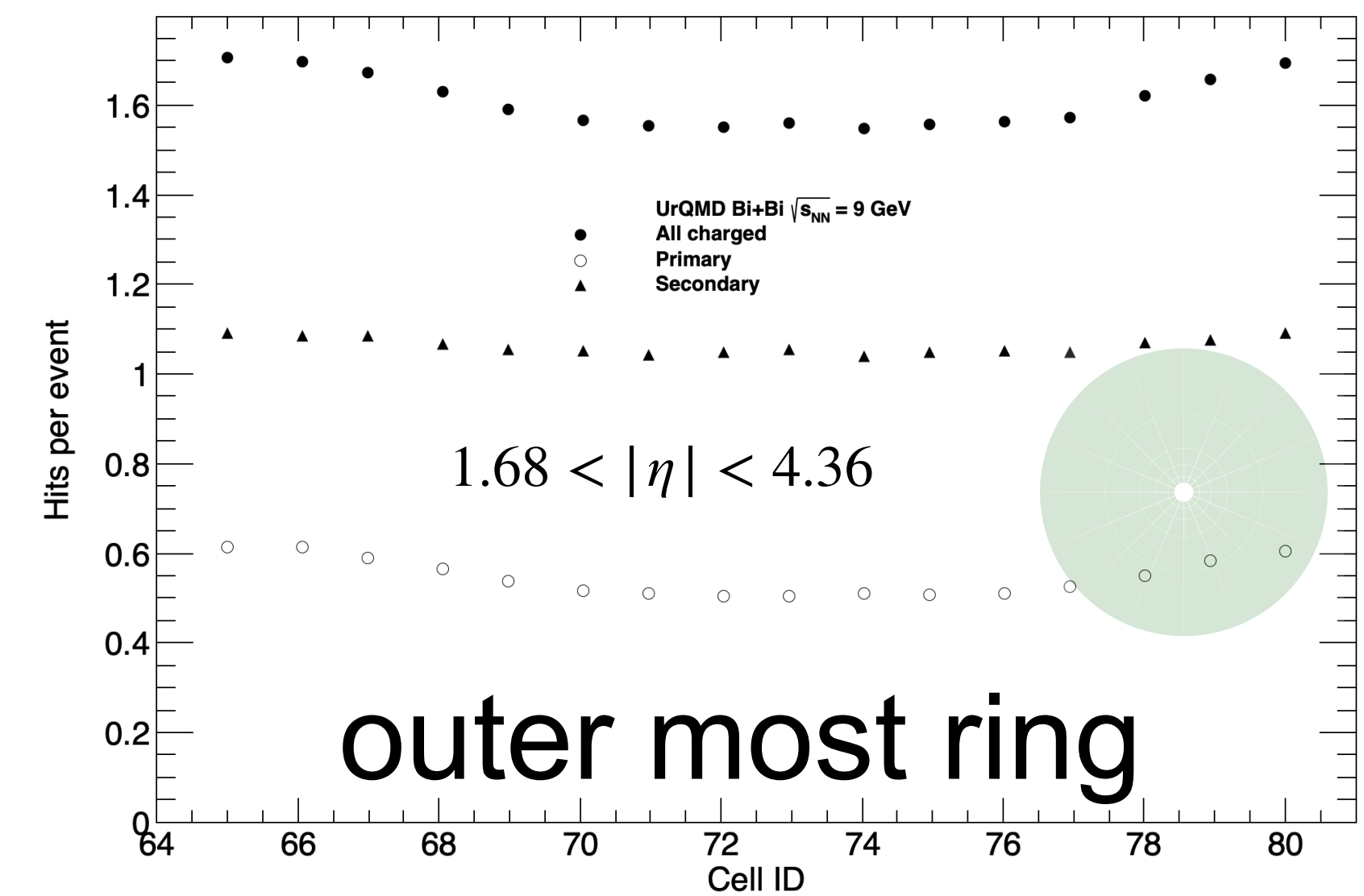
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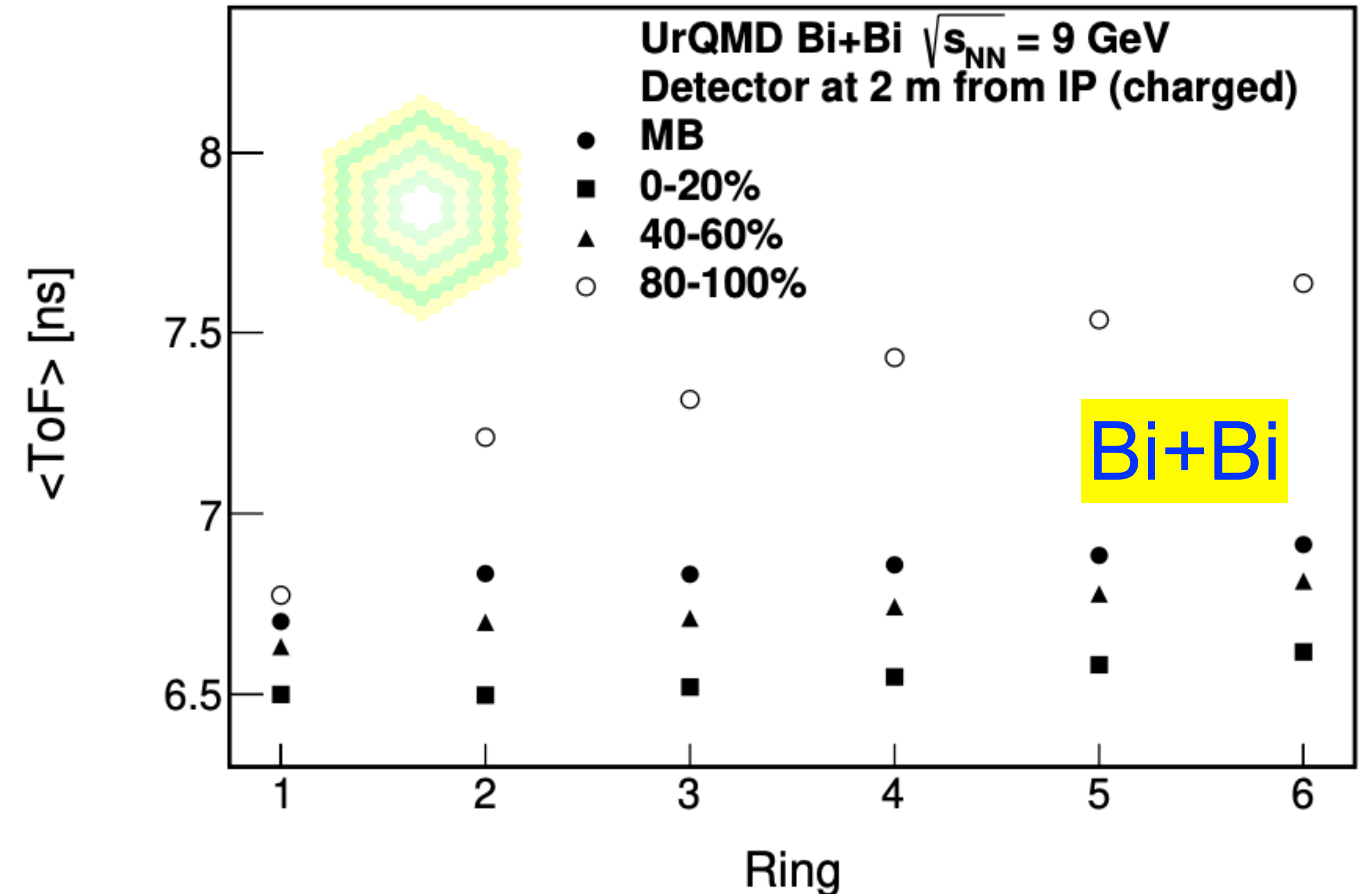
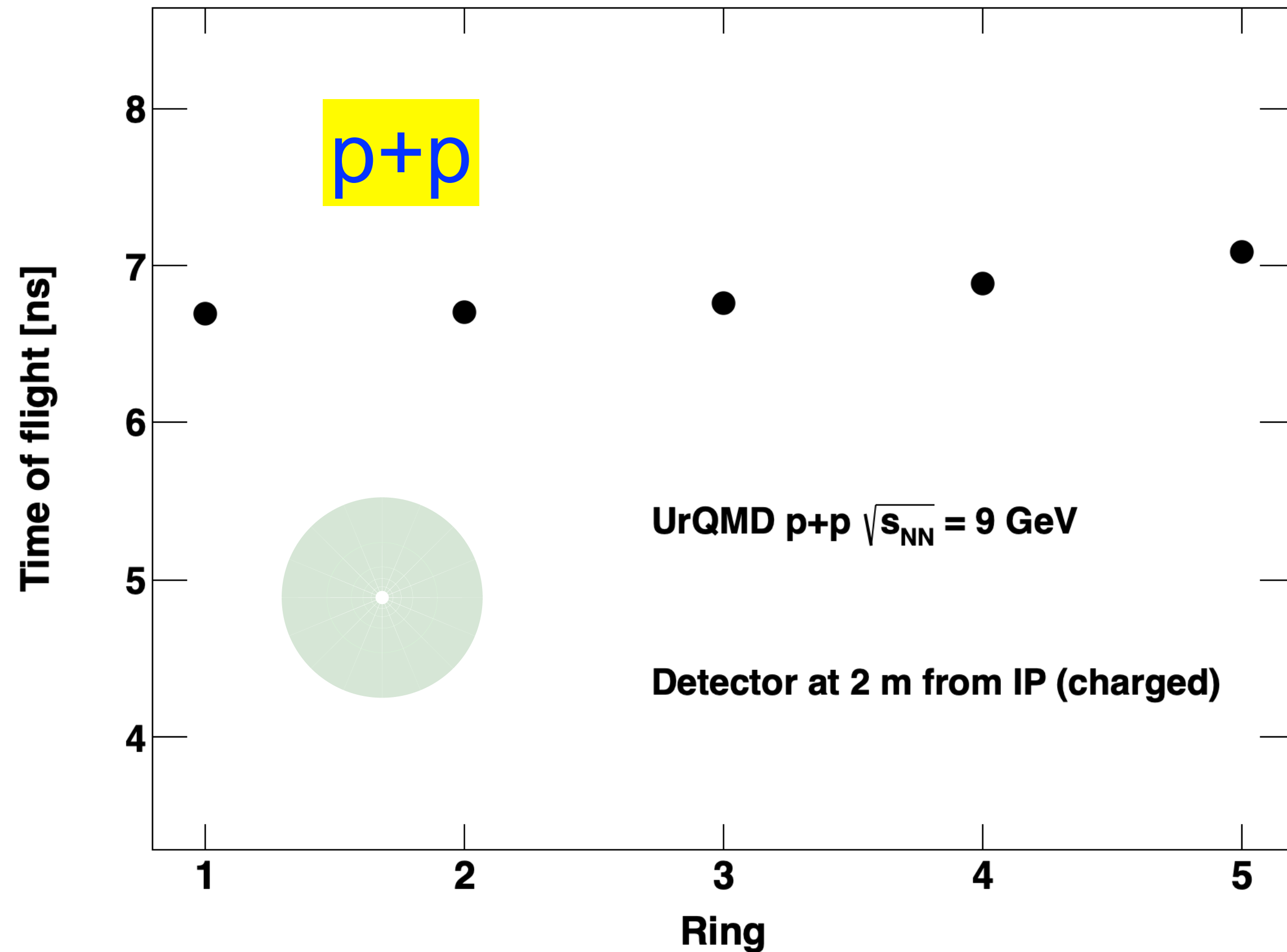
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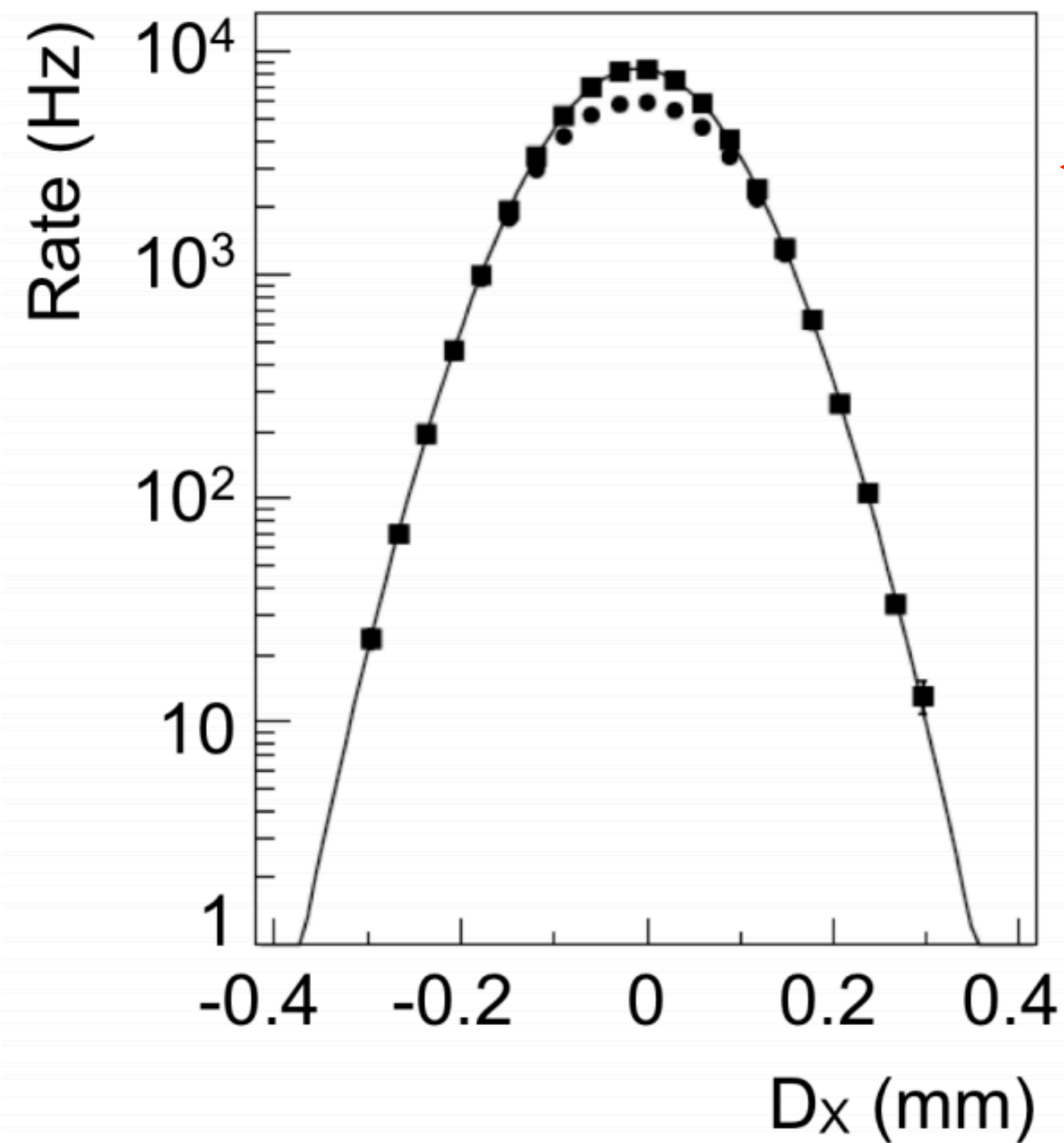
Simulation studies: disk VS hexagonal cells



With the time information, either disks or hexagons, we can define a time window to set a beam-beam trigger (BB) for both BeBe hodoscopes ($Z > 0$ and $Z < 0$). This is crucial for beam monitoring tasks.

¿BeBe for luminosity measurements?

In ALICE, the on-line monitoring of the luminosity uses a time coincidence between the two VZERO arrays.



The rate corresponding to the coincidence between VZERO-A and VZERO-C signals is named MBAND. The luminosity and therefore the rate of $MB_{AND}(D_x, D_y)$ are functions of the transverse displacements D_x and D_y of the beams.

$$\mathcal{L} = k_b f N_1 N_2 Q_x Q_y \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{MB_{AND}} = MB_{AND}(0,0) / \mathcal{L},$$

N_1 and N_2 beams intensities

k_b is the number of colliding bunches

$f = 11.2455$ kHz the LHC revolution frequency.

Key issue: trigger efficiency of the Minimum Bias trigger.

time resolution of VZERO system: 1 ns

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¿BeBe for luminosity measurements?

<http://cds.cern.ch/record/1281333/files/ATLAS-CONF-2010-060.pdf>

ATLAS

3.2 LUCID

Online luminosity values from LUCID measurements are obtained from the LUMAT card. At present there are four algorithms implemented in the LUMAT firmware:

- LUCID_Zero_AND, the number of events per BCID when no hits are found in either detector arm;
- LUCID_Zero_OR, the number of events per BCID when at least one of the two detector arms has no hits or when neither arm contains any hit;
- LUCID_Hit_AND, the number of hits when there is at least one hit in each of the two detector arms;
- LUCID_Hit_OR, the number of hits when there is at least one hit in the 32 tubes of both detector arms.

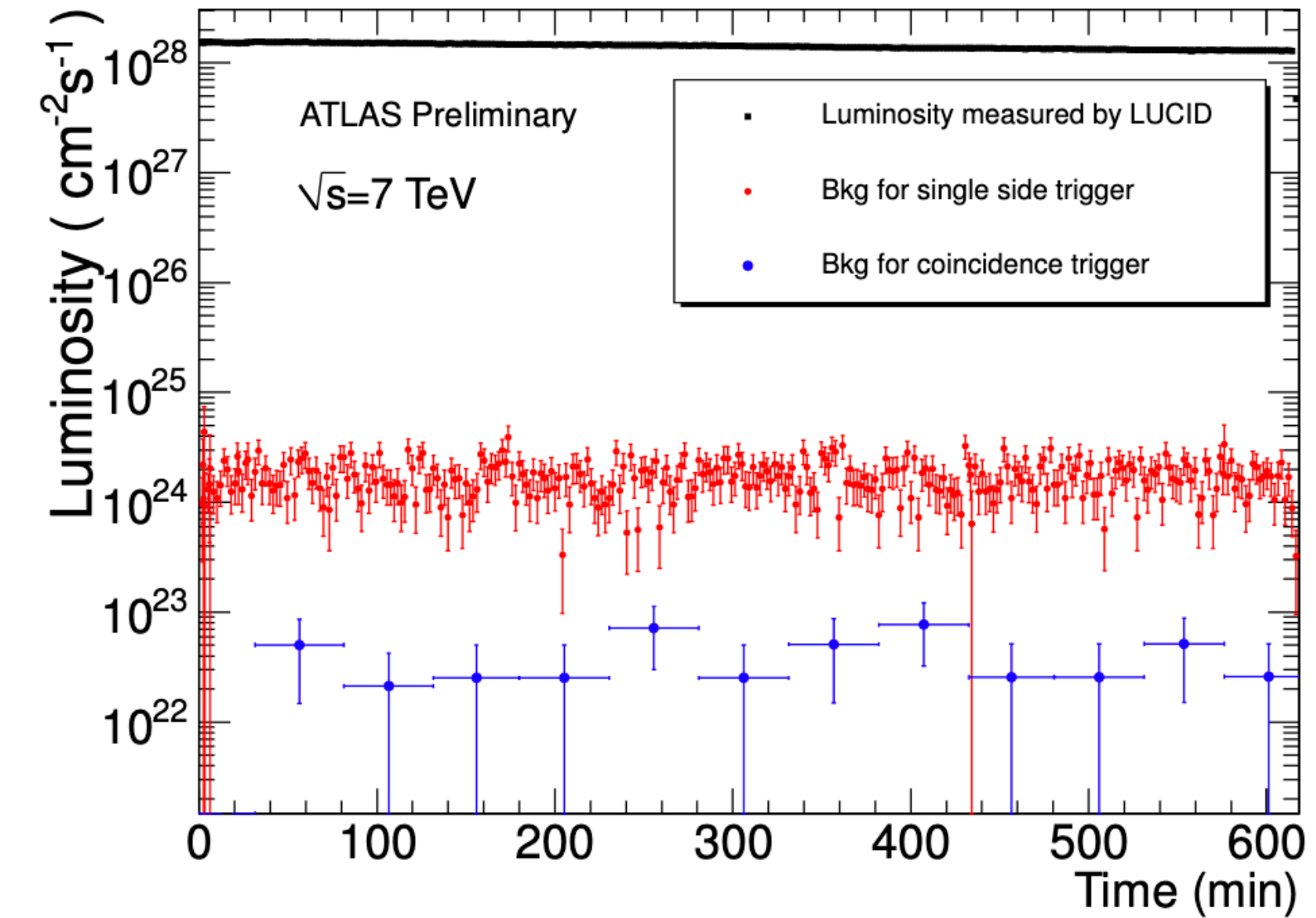
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\mu n_b f_r}{\sigma_{inel}} = \frac{\mu^{meas} n_b f_r}{\epsilon \sigma_{inel}} = \frac{\mu^{meas} n_b f_r}{\sigma_{vis}}$$

- LUCID_Event_AND, the number of events with at least one hit in each detector arm. The LUCID_Event_AND probability per beam crossing $P^{LUCID_Event_AND}$ is related to the LUCID_Zero_OR probability per beam crossing $P^{LUCID_Zero_OR}$:

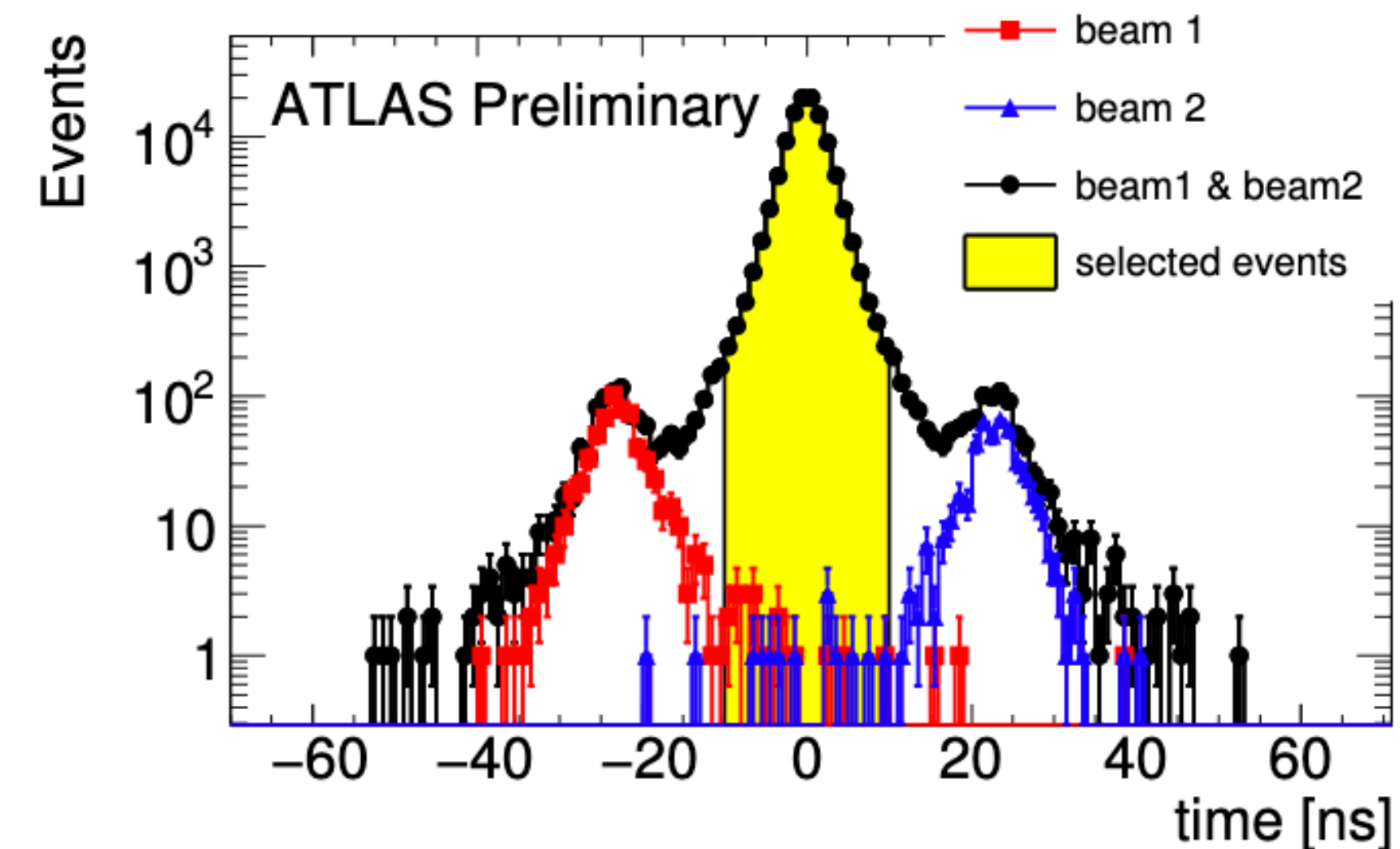
$$P^{LUCID_Event_AND} = 1 - P^{LUCID_Zero_OR}$$

- LUCID_Event_OR, the number of events for which the sum of hits in both detector arms is larger or equal to one. The LUCID_Event_OR probability per beam crossing $P^{LUCID_Event_OR}$ is related to the LUCID_Zero_AND probability per beam crossing $P^{LUCID_Zero_AND}$:

$$P^{LUCID_Event_OR} = 1 - P^{LUCID_Zero_AND}$$



Key issue: trigger efficiency of the Minimum Bias trigger.

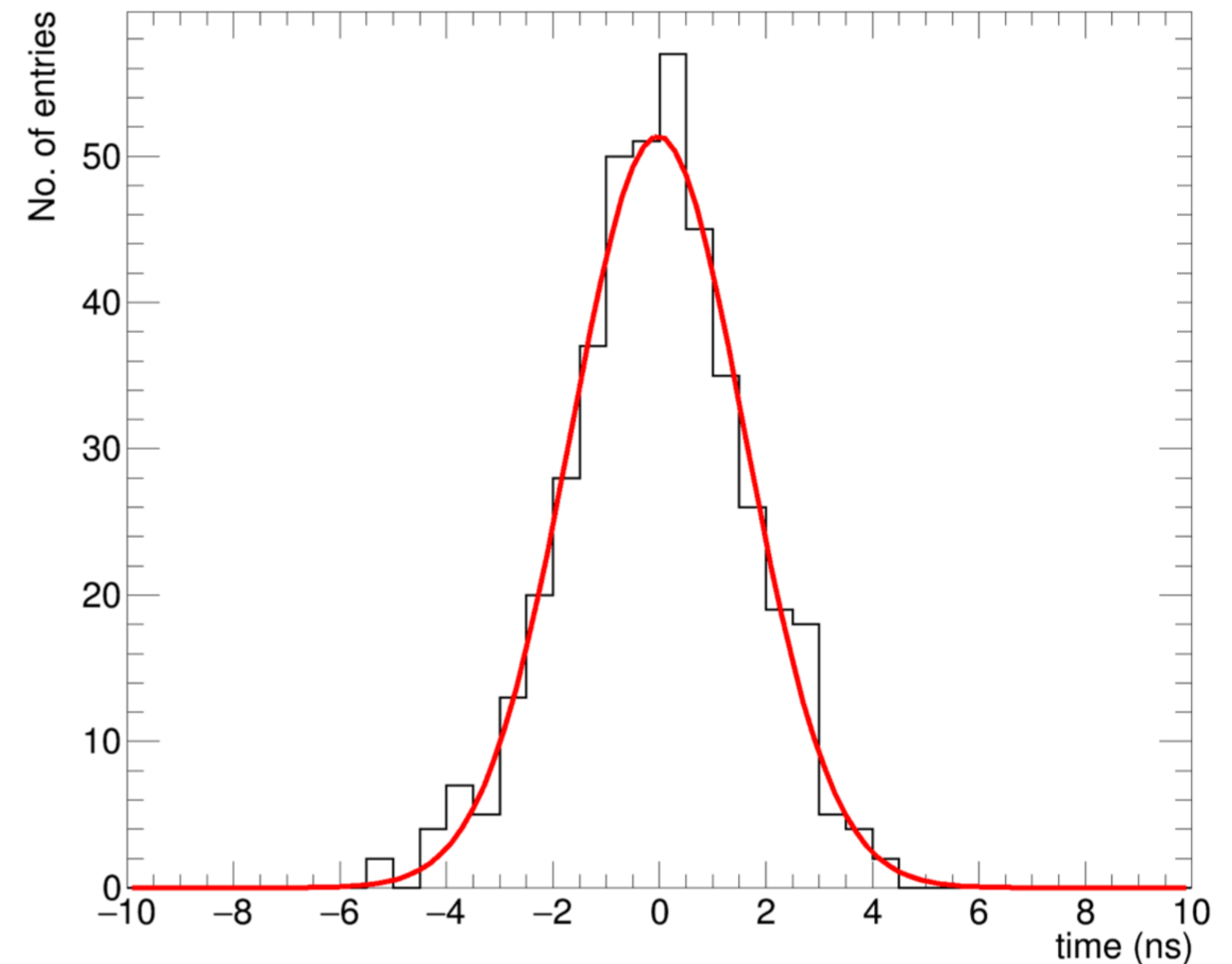
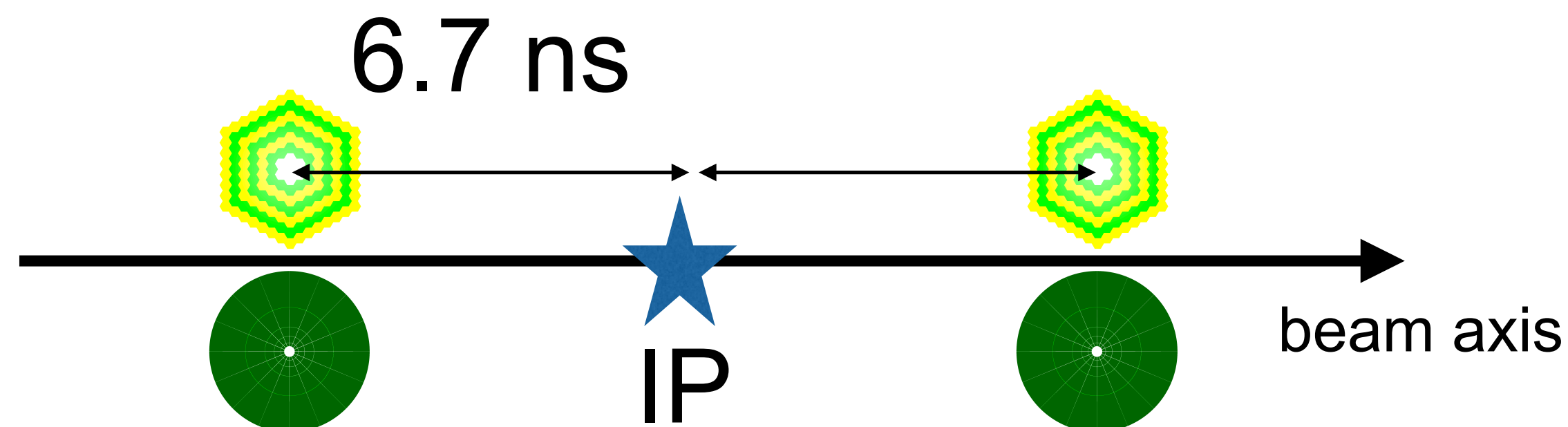


¿BeBe for luminosity measurements?

Particles created in p+p collisions will arrive at the BeBe hodoscopes around 6.7 ns after the primary collision. As a first approach, we centered the time window at 6.7 ns for both hodoscopes (see slide 26) and try to determine the BeBe trigger efficiencies.

BeBe triggers:

- **A**: BeBeLeft ($Z > 0$)
- **B**: BeBeRight ($Z < 0$)
- **OR**: BeBeLeft OR BeBeRight
- **AND**: BeBeLeft AND BeBeRight

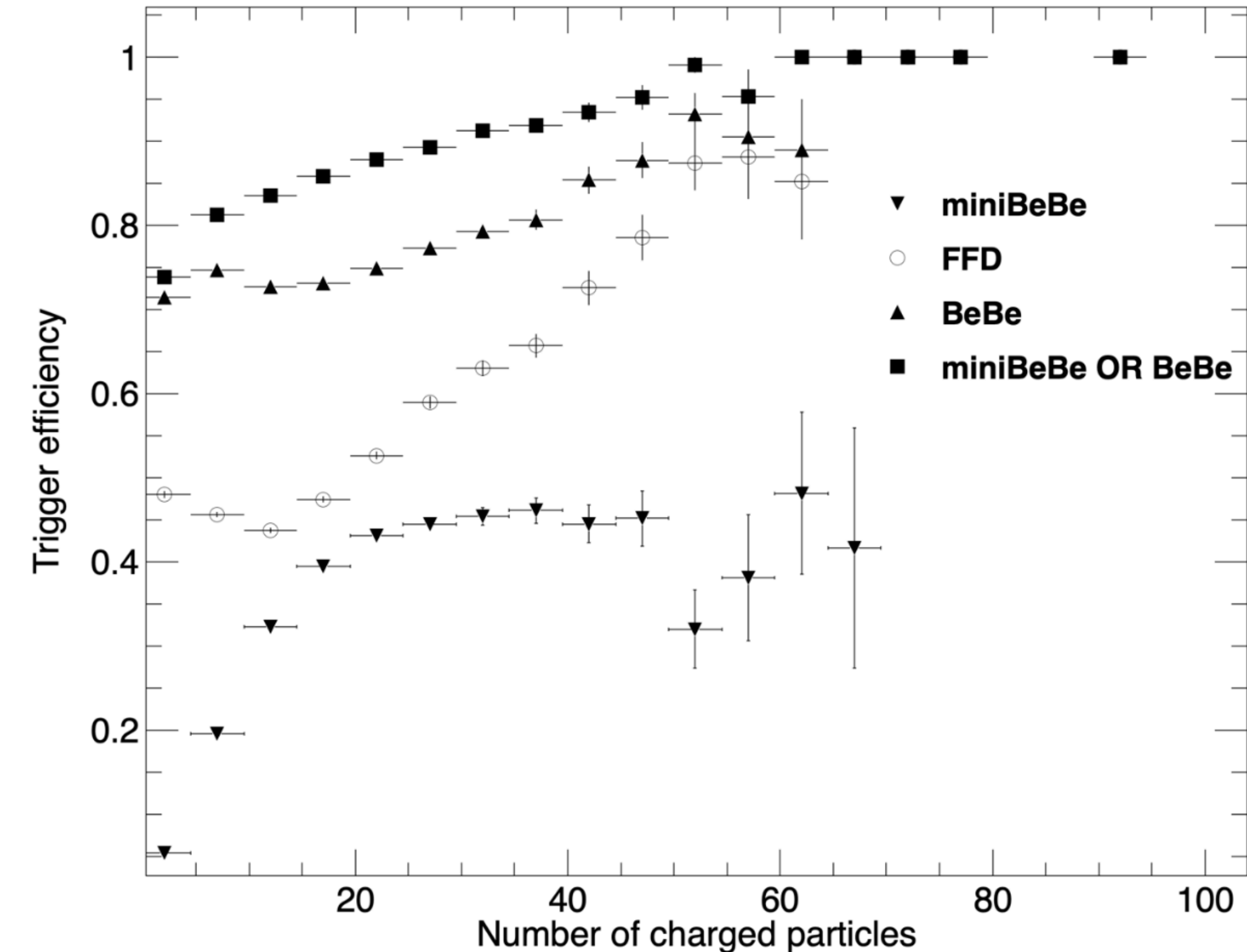


time difference BeBeLeft - BeBeRight

¿BeBe for luminosity measurements?

p+p @ 10 GeV / EPOS 1.99	BeBe trigger efficiencies (%)			
Time window (ns)	A	B	OR	AND
4 - 10	59.8	59.8	96.5	23
4.5 - 7.5	48.7	48.7	85.9	11.4
5.5 - 6.5	25.2	25	48.5	1.7

p+p @ 9 GeV / UrQMD	BeBe trigger efficiencies (%)			
Time window (ns)	A	B	OR	AND
4 - 10	55.9	56	95.1	16.8



BeBe detector may increase the trigger capabilities of MPD for low multiplicity p+p collisions events

See the talk of Maria Elena Tejada of this session for more details of miniBeBe detector

¿BeBe for luminosity measurements?

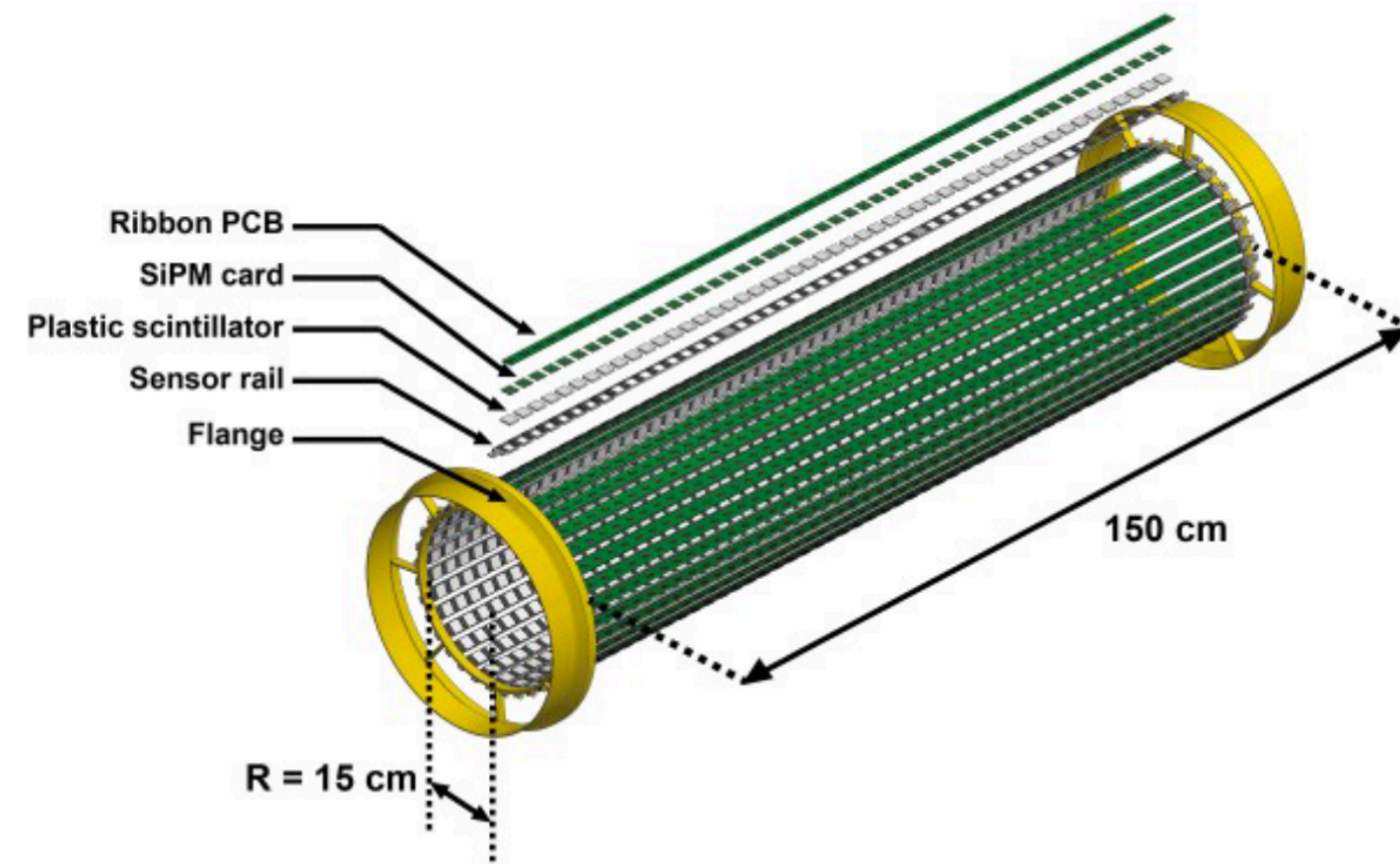
Bi+Bi @ 9 GeV / UrQMD	BeBe trigger efficiencies (%)			
Time window (ns)	A	B	OR	AND
4 - 10	98.7	98.3	99.6	97.3
4.5 - 7.5	86.1	84.7	97.8	73.1
5.5 - 6.5	70.1	70	93.5	46.6

Au+Au @ 11 GeV / UrQMD	BeBe trigger efficiencies (%)			
Time window (ns)	A	B	OR	AND
4 - 10	100	100	100	100
4.8 - 8.8	99.6	99.7	99.9	99.4
5 - 9	99.7	99.7	99.9	99.5



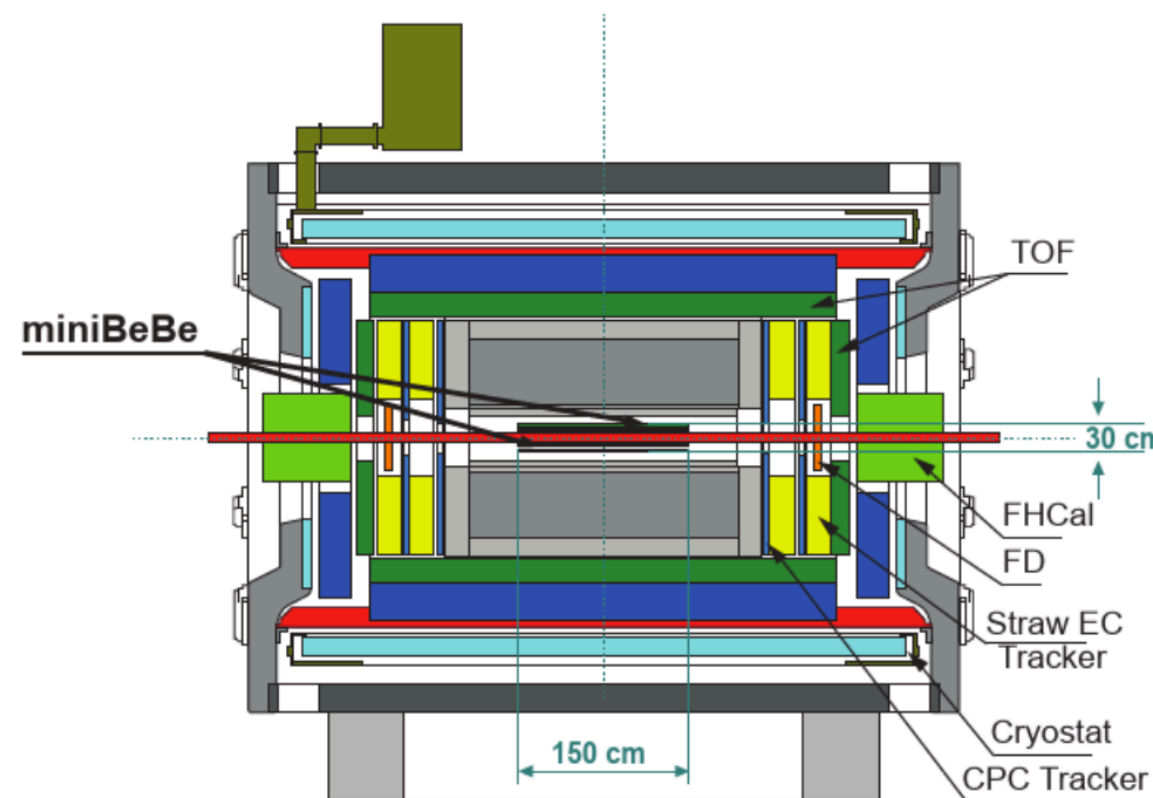
MiniBeBe (Mini Beam-Beam Counter)

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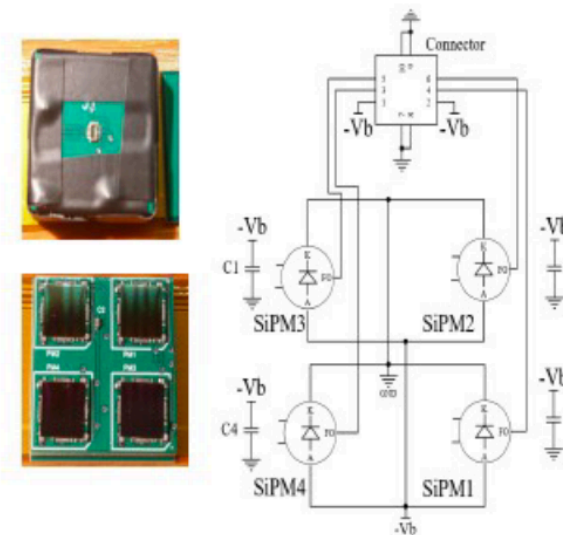
Main requirement:

- Provide fast wake-up signal for TOF and reference time for TOF measurement with time resolution of ~ 30 ps
- Improve trigger efficiency for p+p, p-A and low multiplicity A-A
- Provide possibility to perform luminosity measurements at Phase 0 of NICA operation



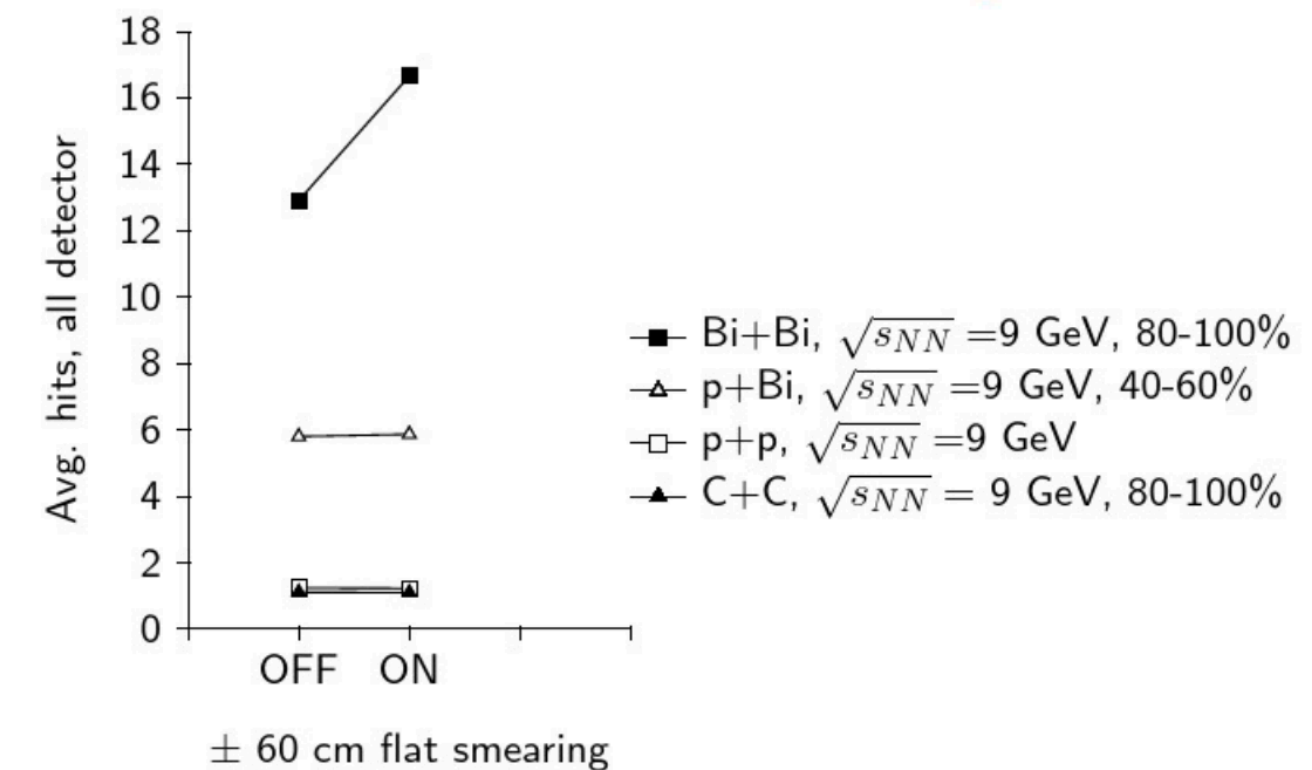
Basic cell with four SiPMs & electronics

- 20x20 mm²
- 4 SiPMs card attached to BC404 plastic scintillator
- Fast outputs to "connector" (micro mezzanine)
- DC decoupling capacitors

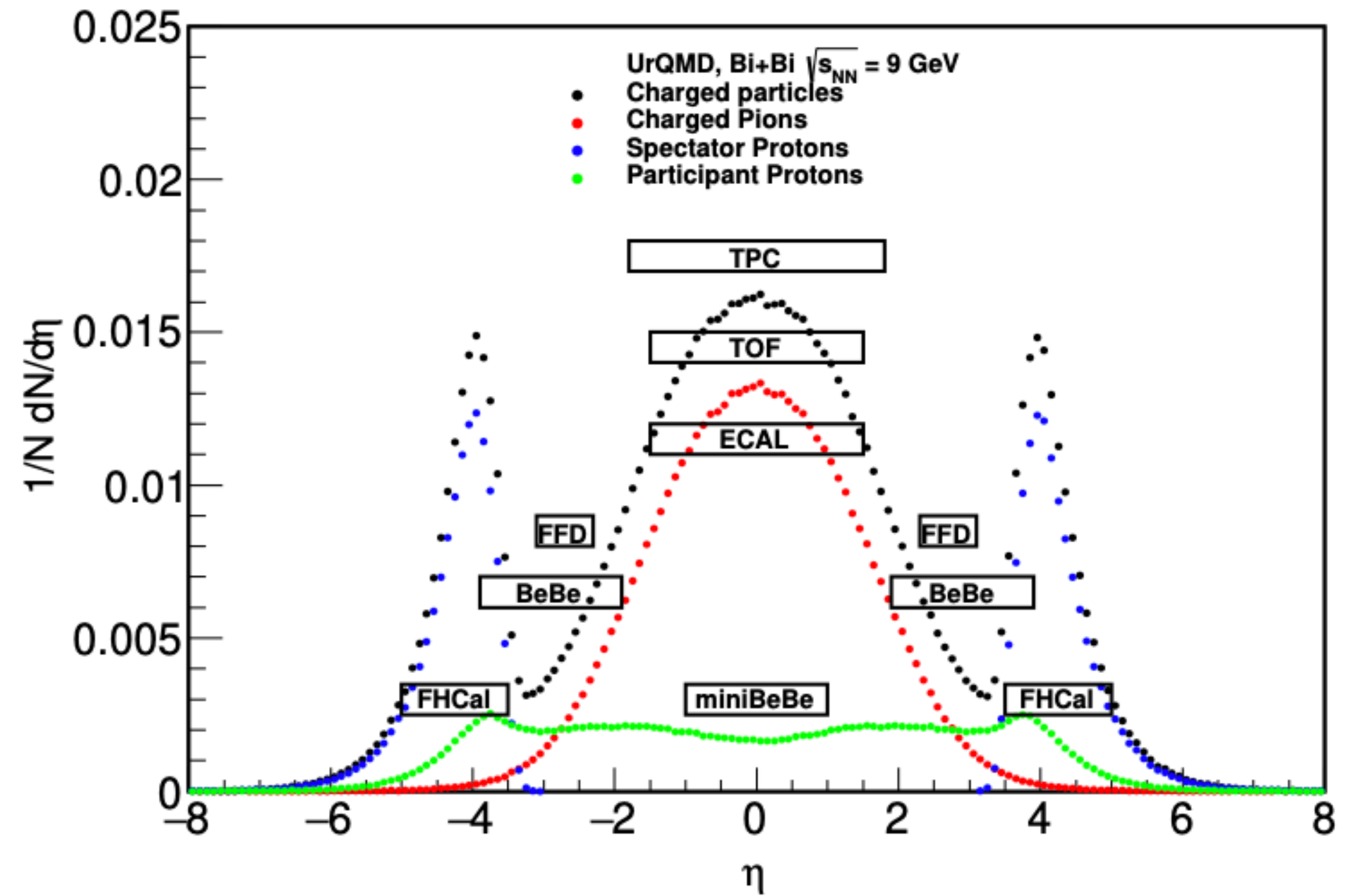
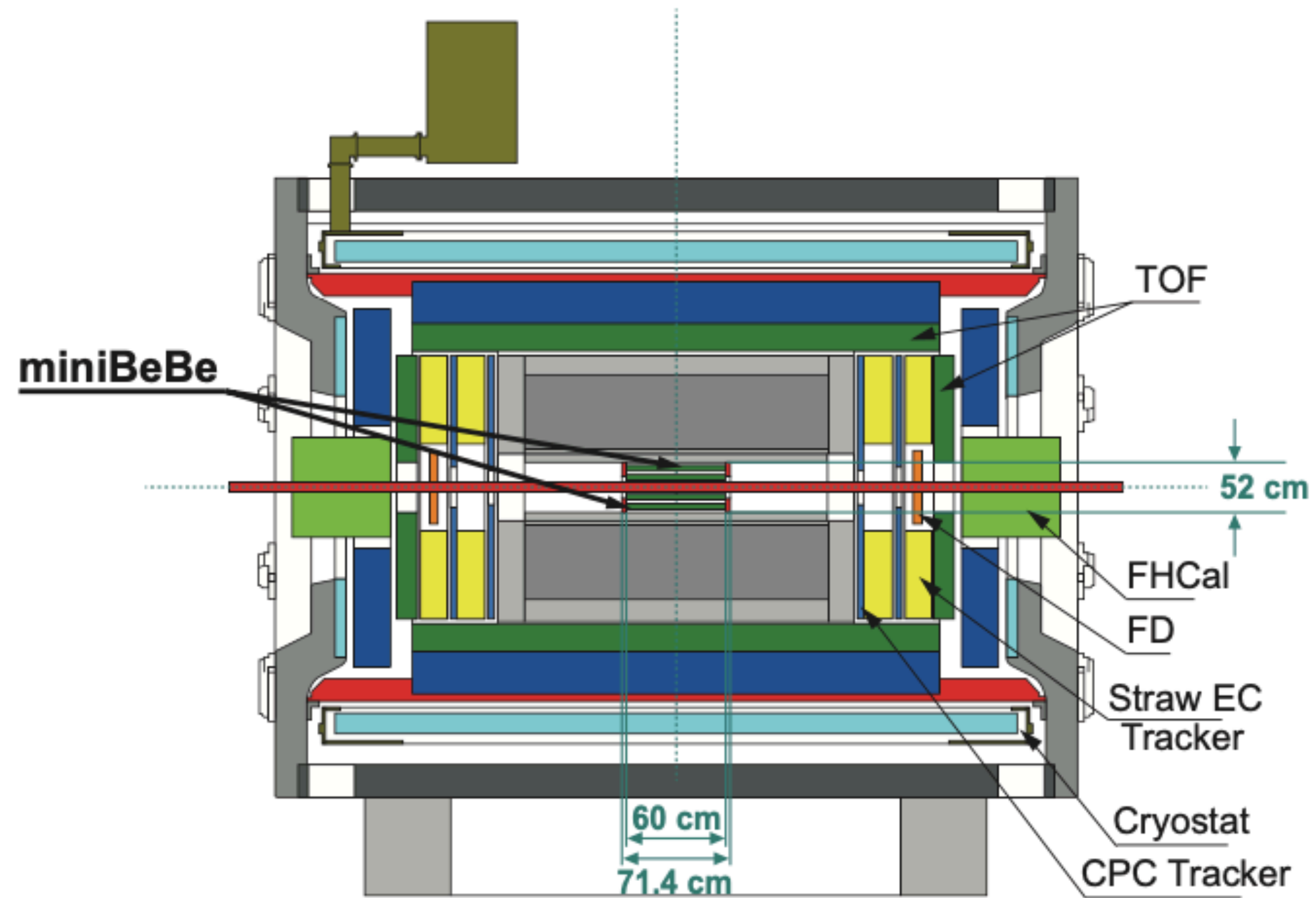


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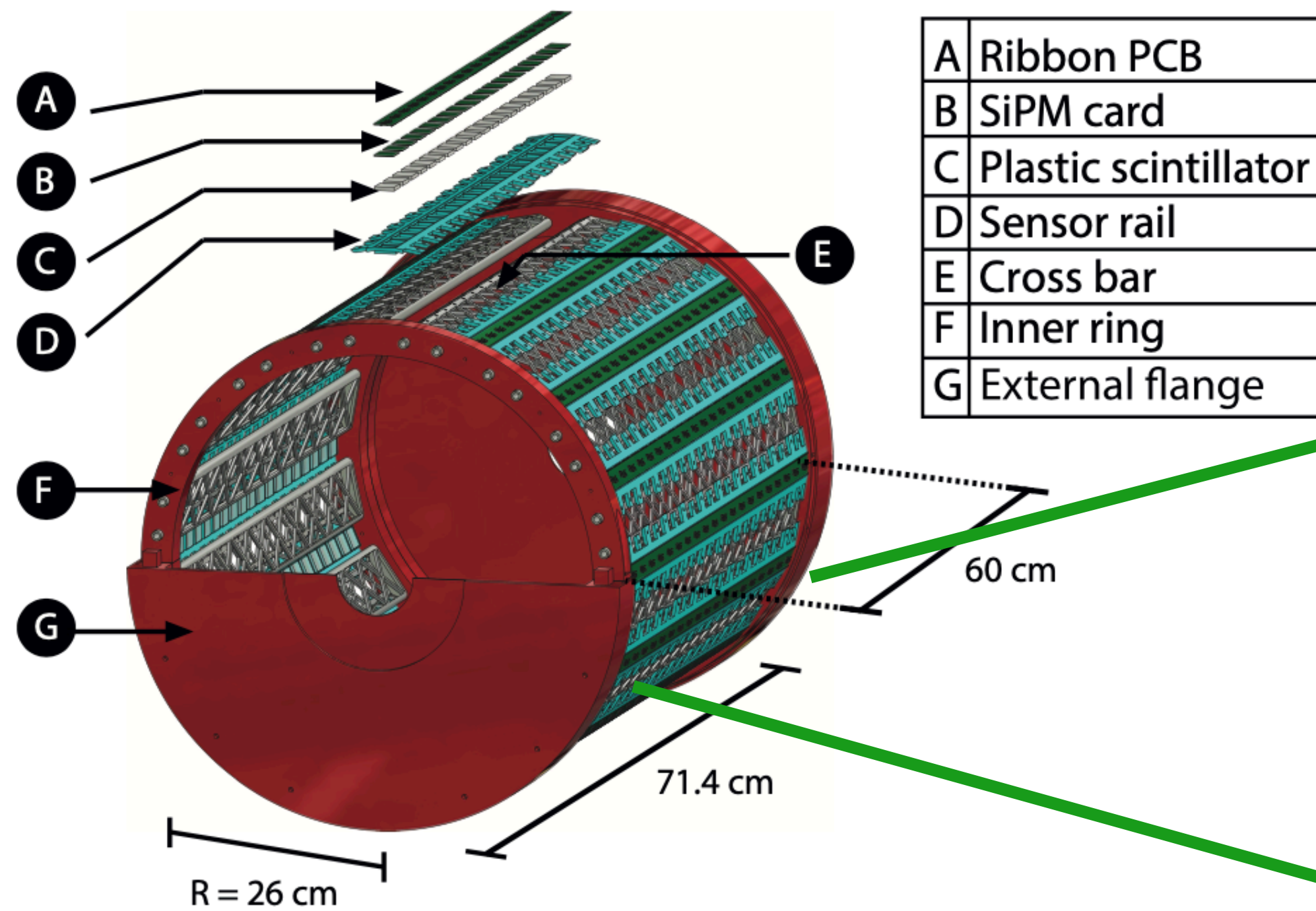
16 strips



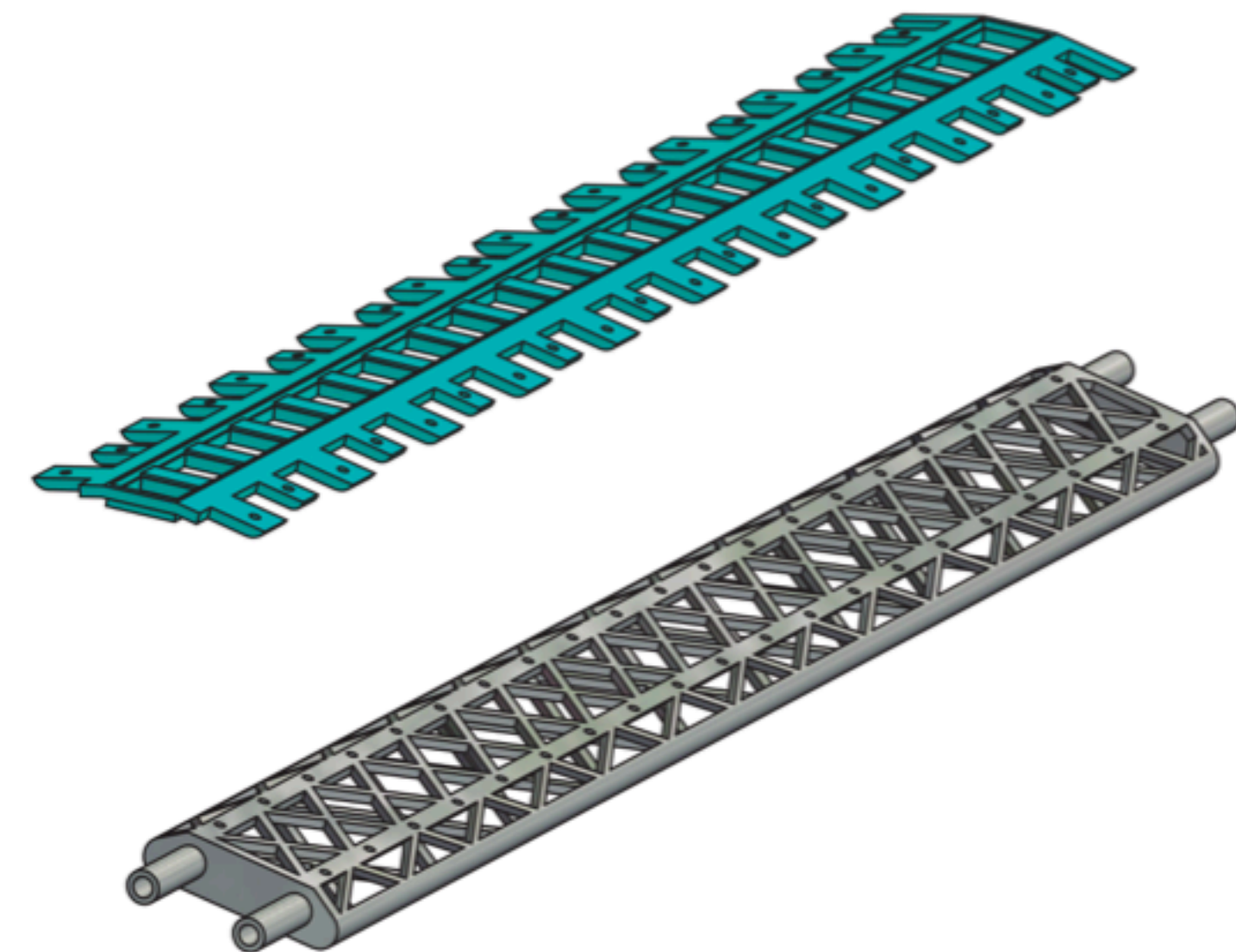
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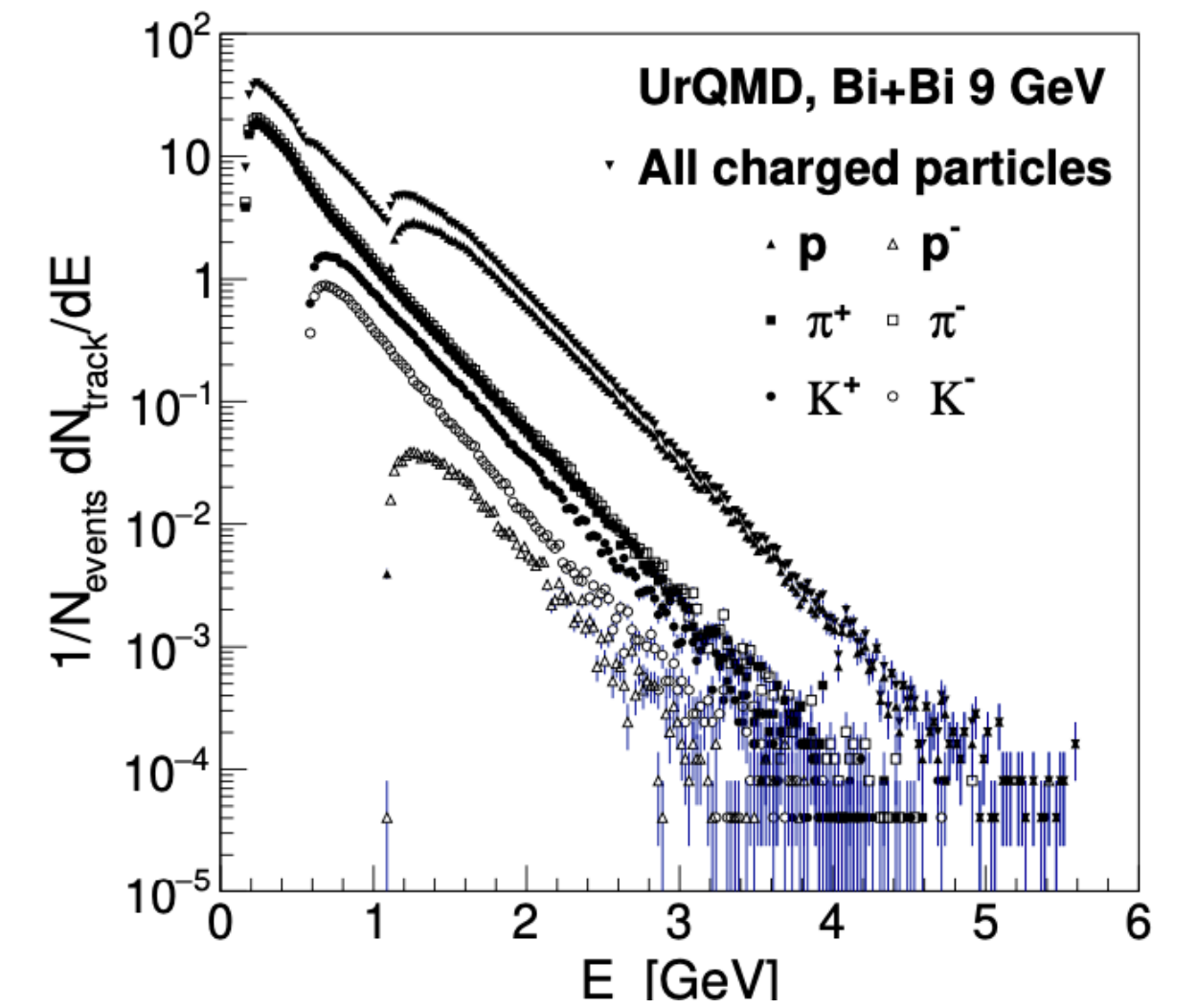
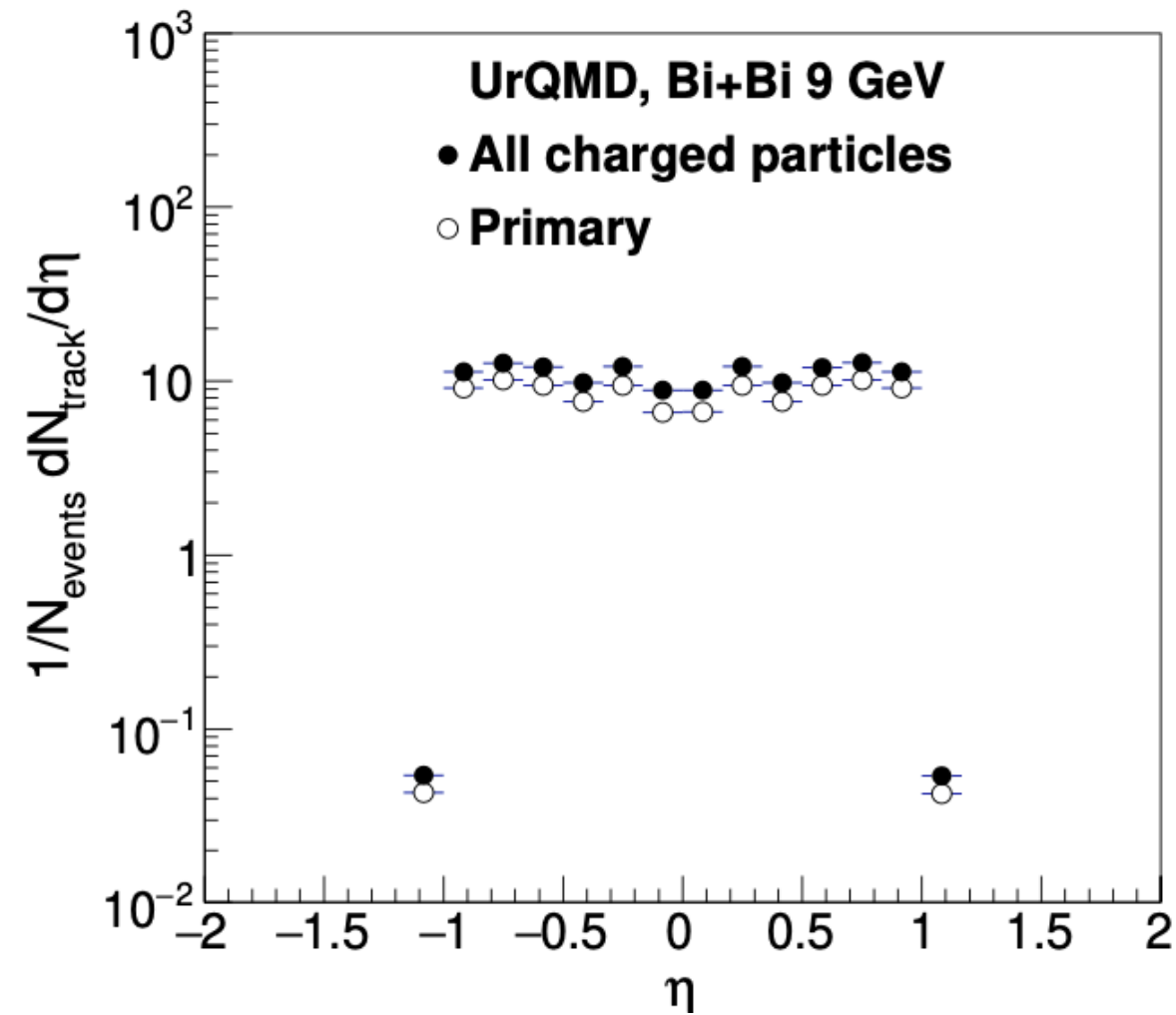
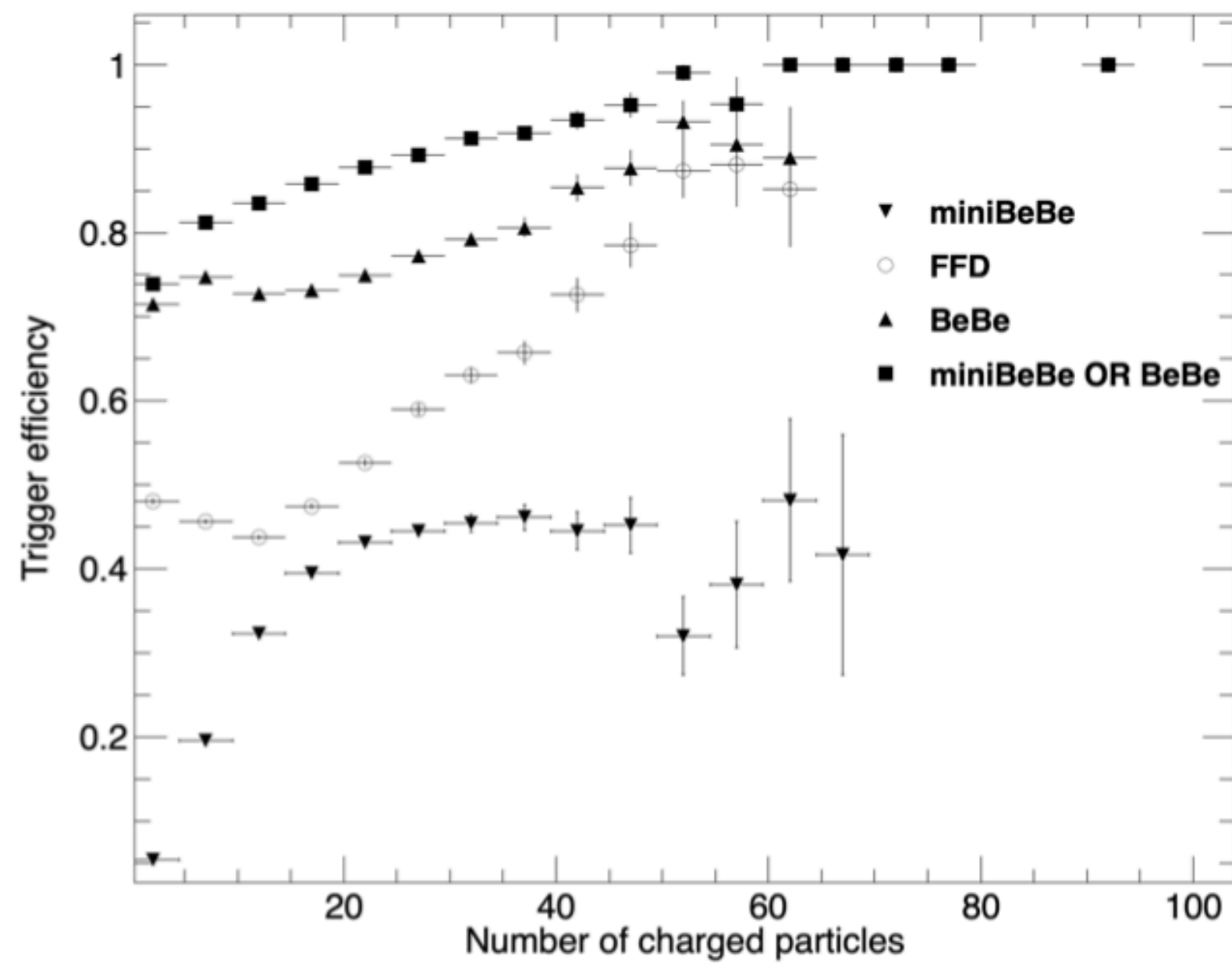
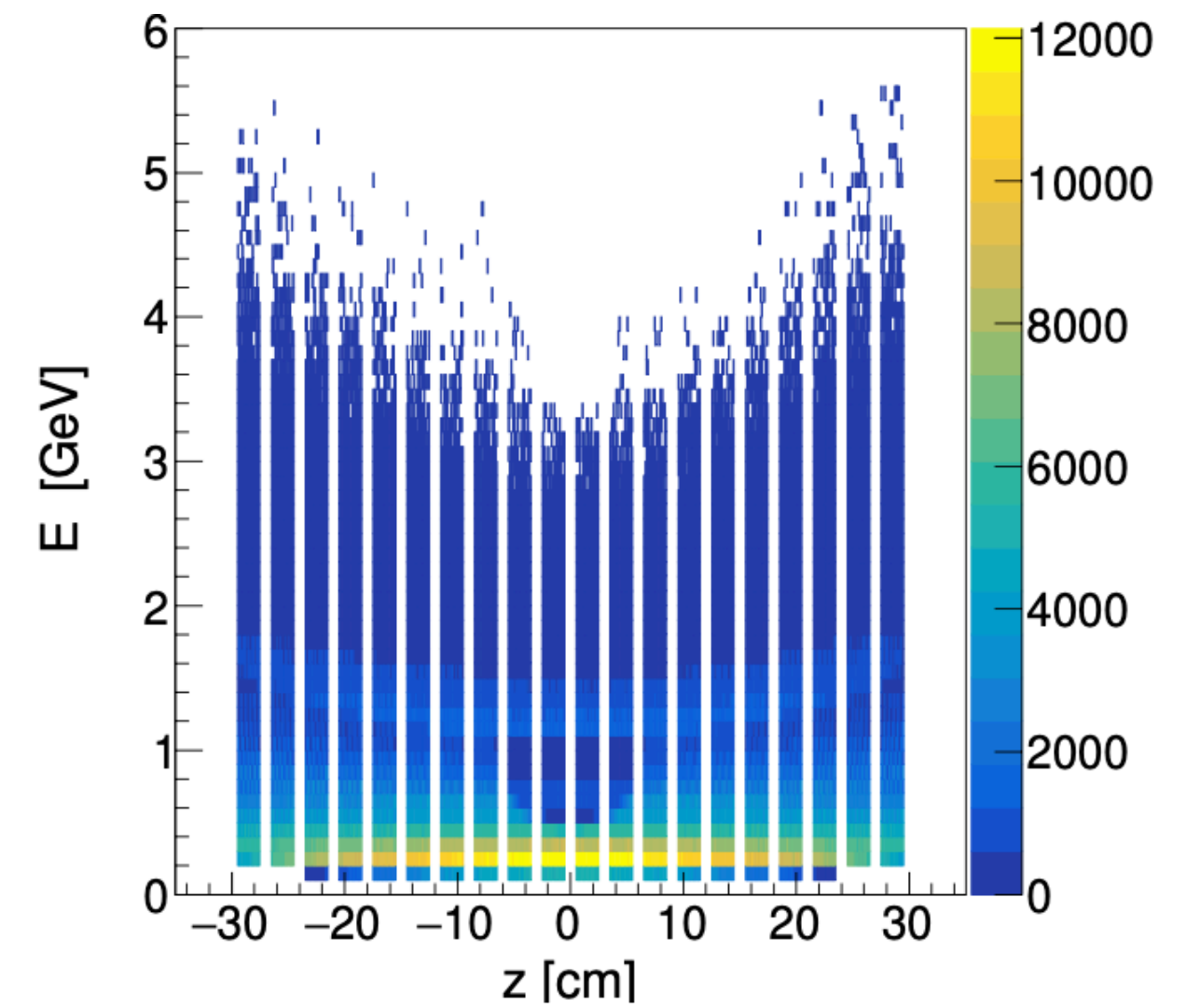
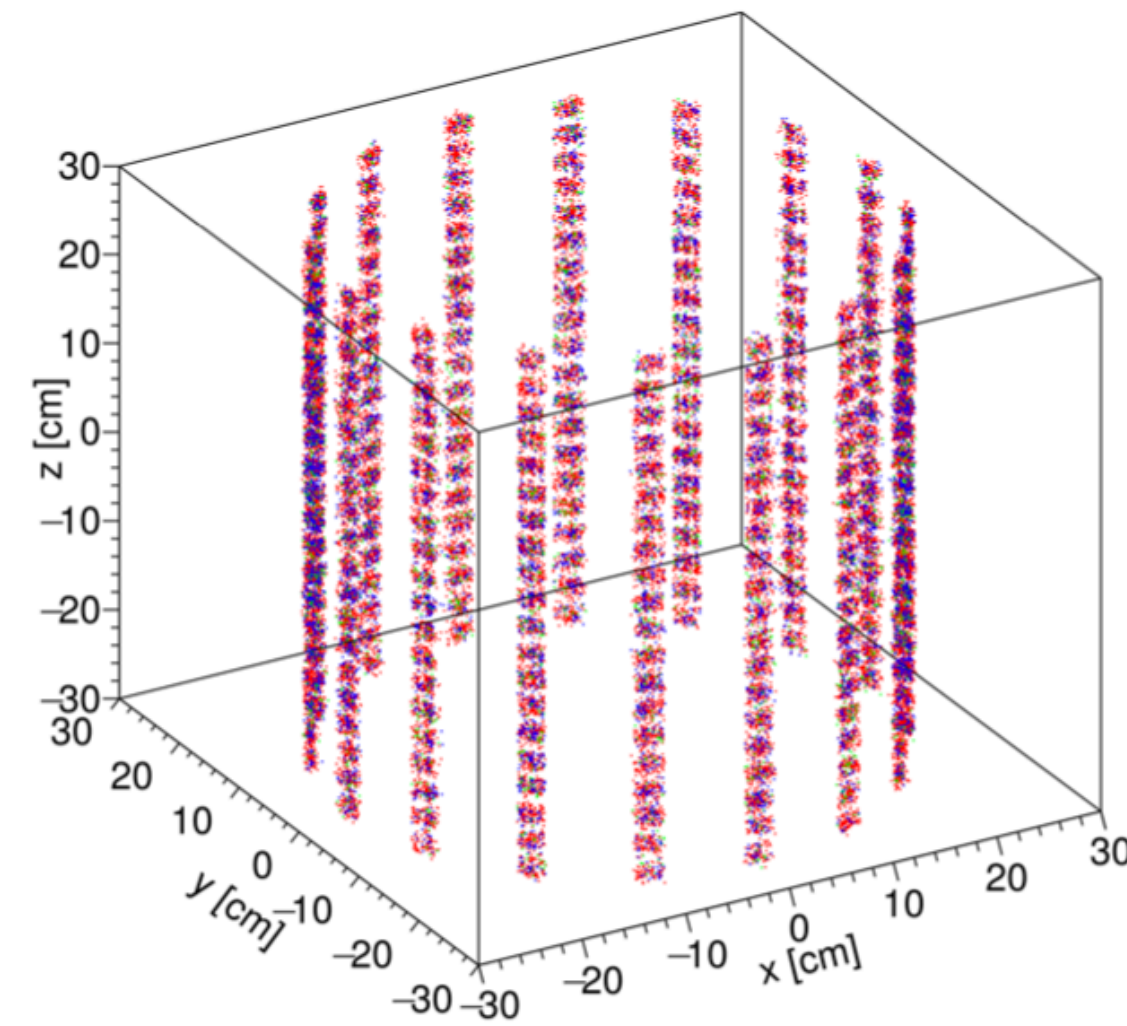
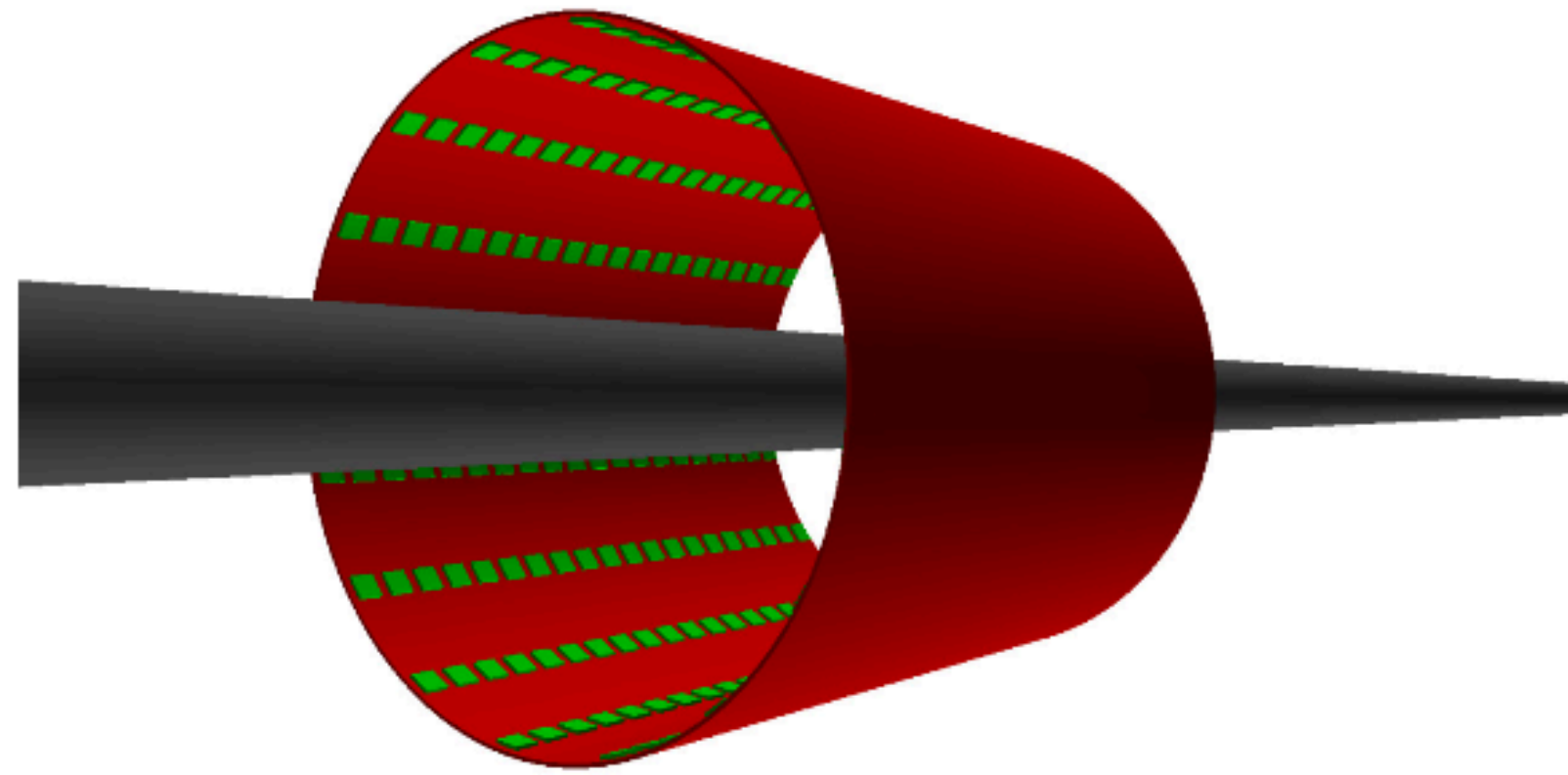


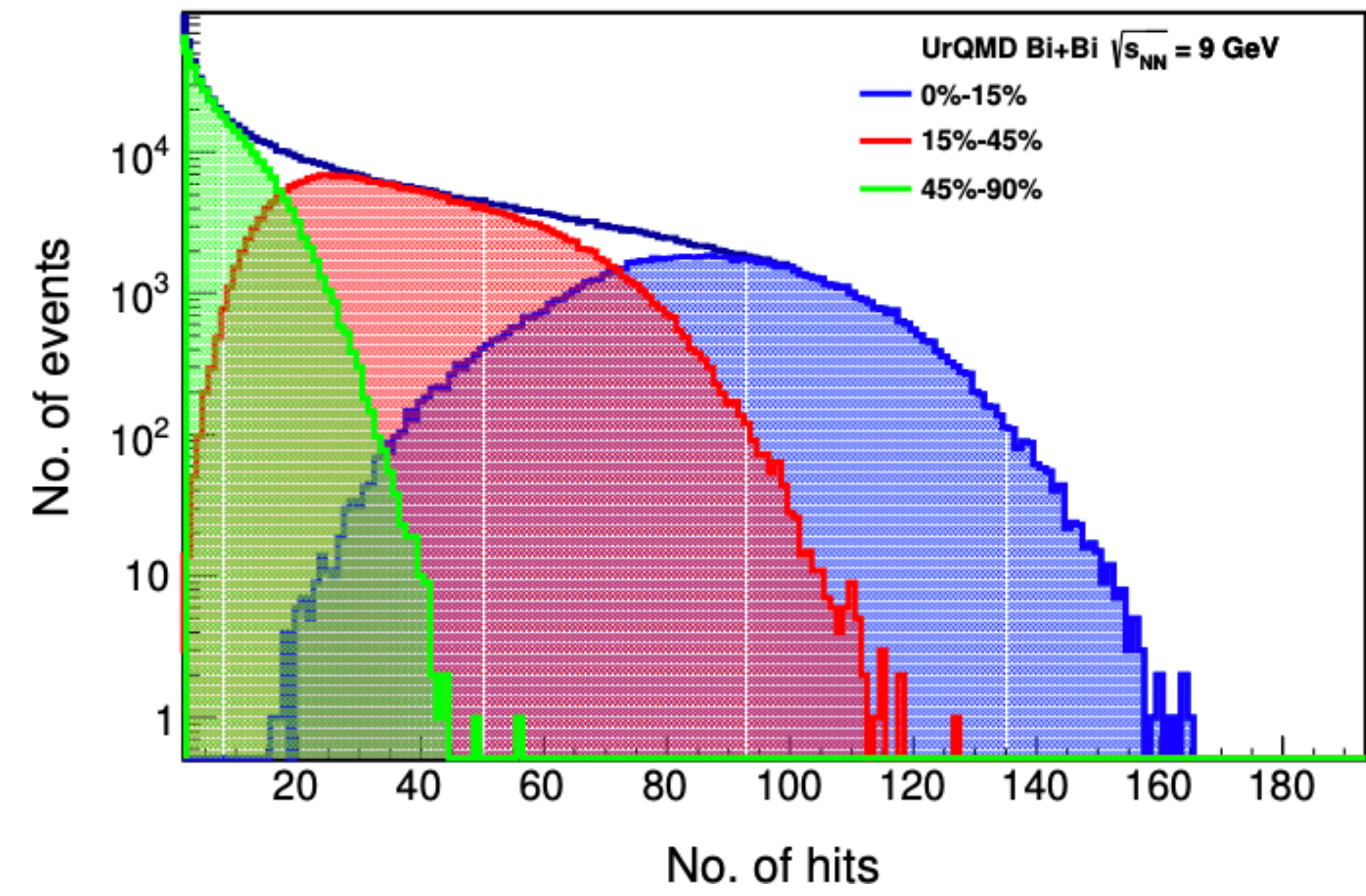
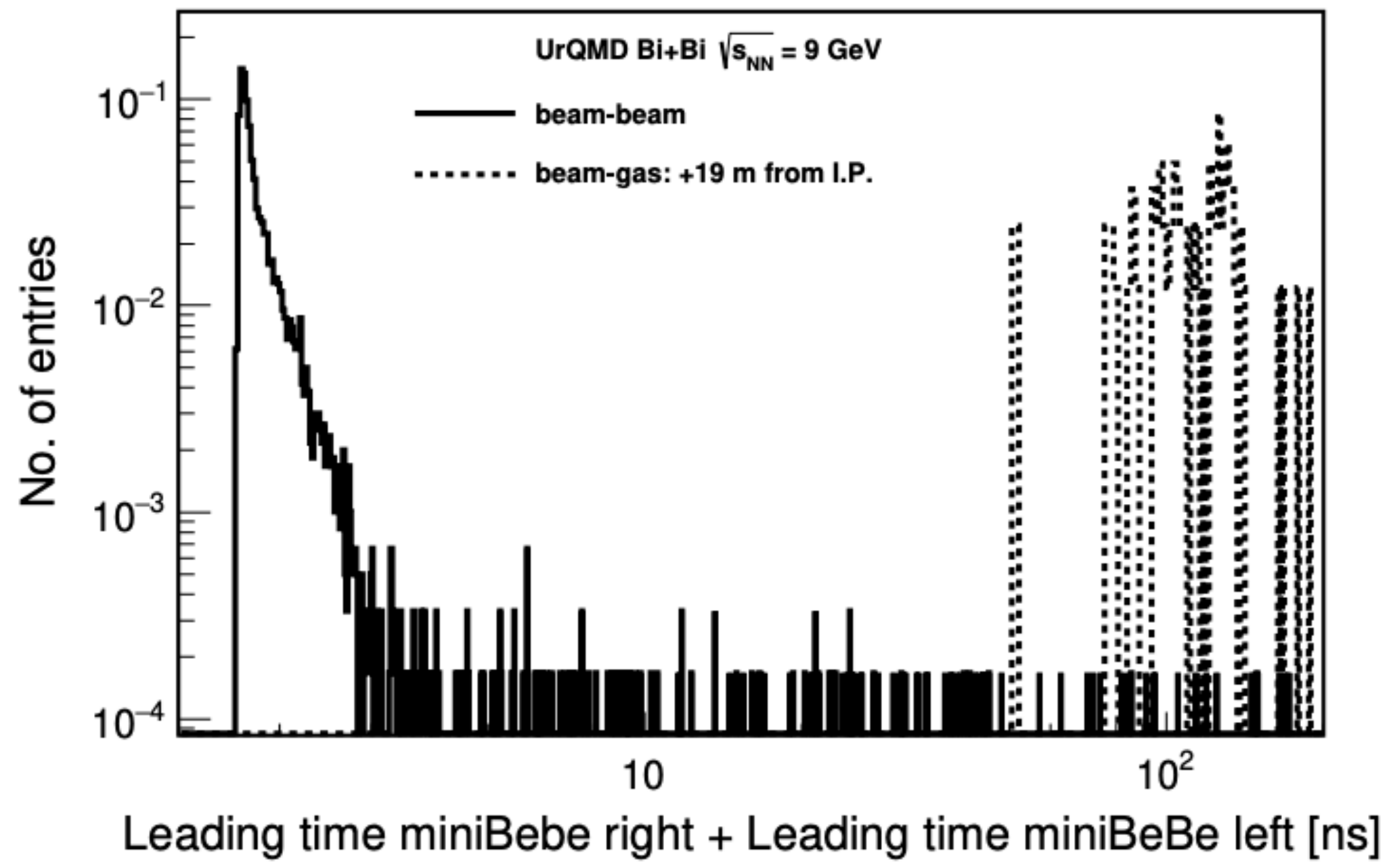
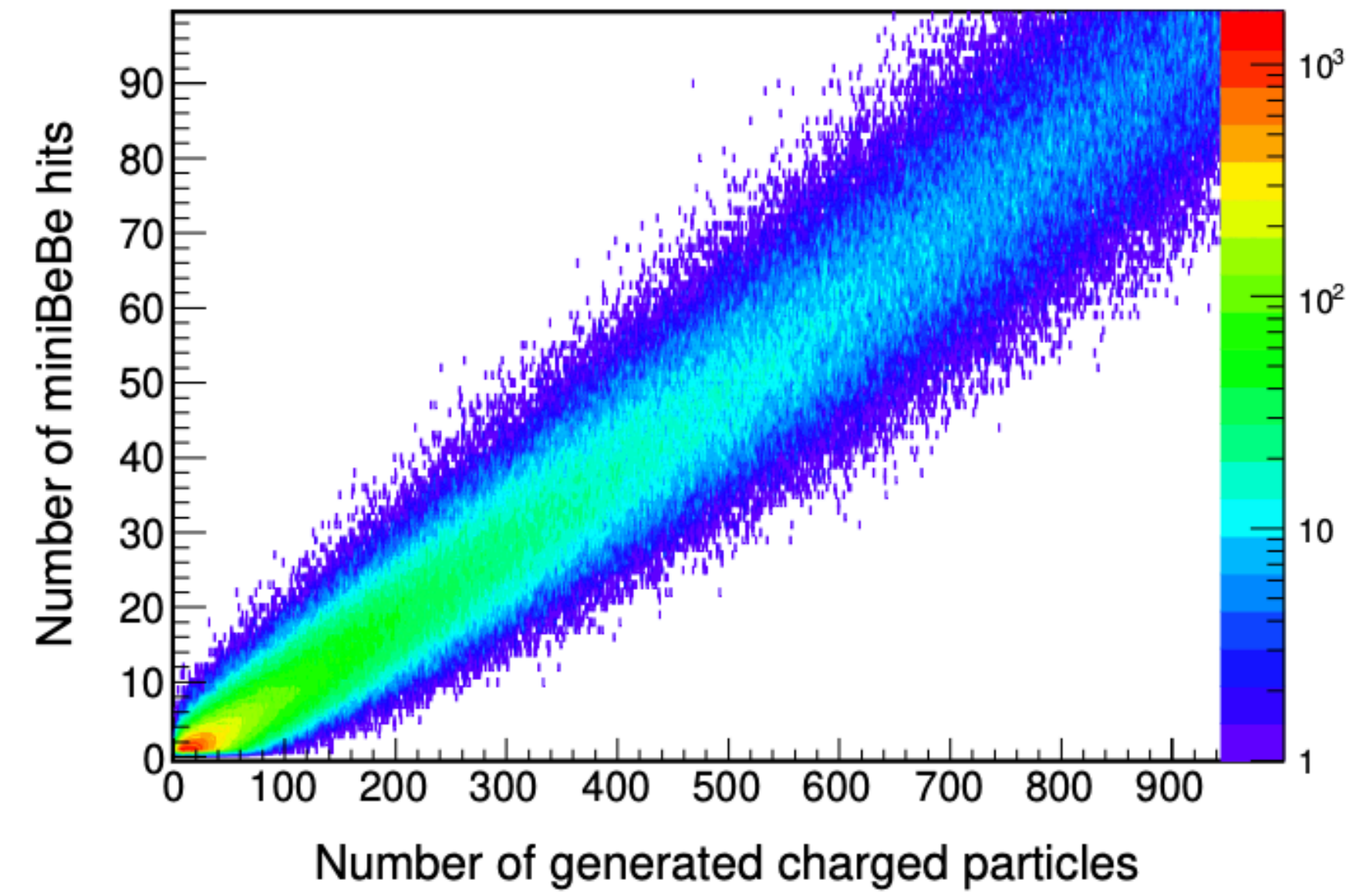
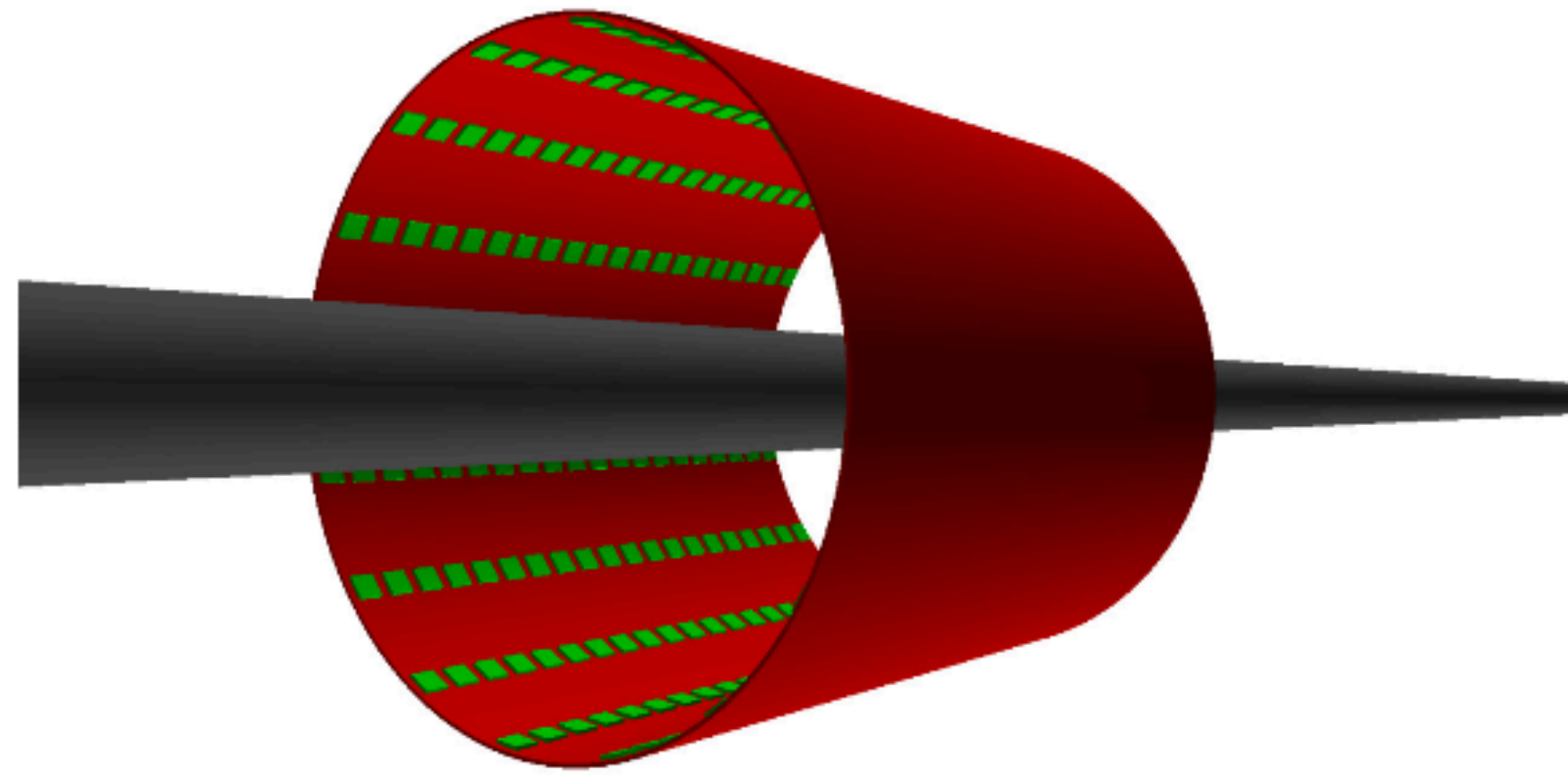
miniBeBe



A	Ribbon PCB
B	SiPM card
C	Plastic scintillator
D	Sensor rail
E	Cross bar
F	Inner ring
G	External flange







Final comments



NICA facility has the potential for competitive research in the field of dense baryonic matter

- The MPD detector has many advantages and meets all the ambitious physics requirements for exploring phase diagram of strongly interacting matter in a high track multiplicity environment.
- The MPD detector covers a large phase space; it is functional at high interaction rates; comprises high efficiency and excellent particle identification capabilities; it is based on the recent detector developments and has comparatively reasonable cost.

Final comments

