

# Review of the IDEA Drift Chambers

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# Outline

- IDEA drift chamber design and requirements
- Mechanics, electronics and aging
- Simulation
- Cluster counting
- Performance evaluation
- Machine background

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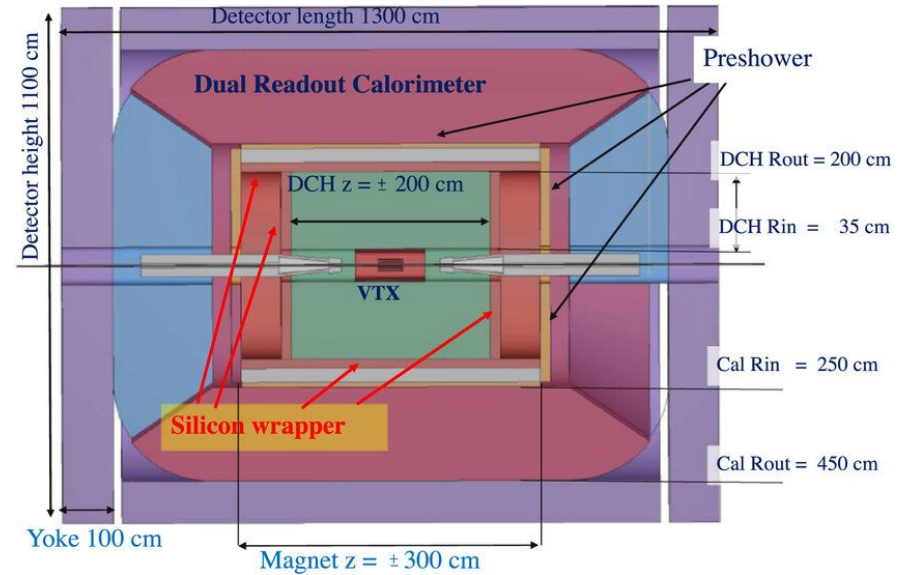
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# IDEA detector

Parameters	
vertex technology	silicon
vertex inner/outer radius (cm)	1.7/34
tracker technology	drift chamber and silicon wrapper
tracker half length (m)	2.0
tracker outer radius (m)	2.0
solenoid field (T)	2.0
solenoid bore radius/half length (m)	2.1/3.0
preshower absorber	lead
preshower $R_{min}/R_{max}$ (m)	2.4/2.5
DR calorimeter absorber	copper
DR calorimeter $R_{min}/R_{max}$ (m)	2.5/4.5
overall height/length (m)	11/13



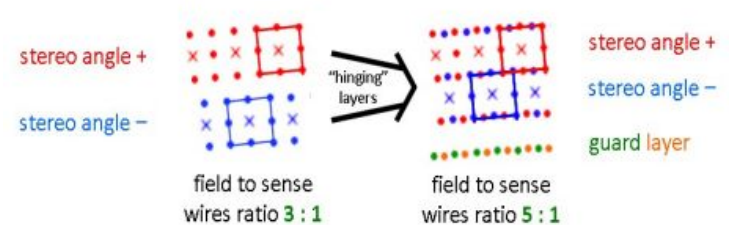
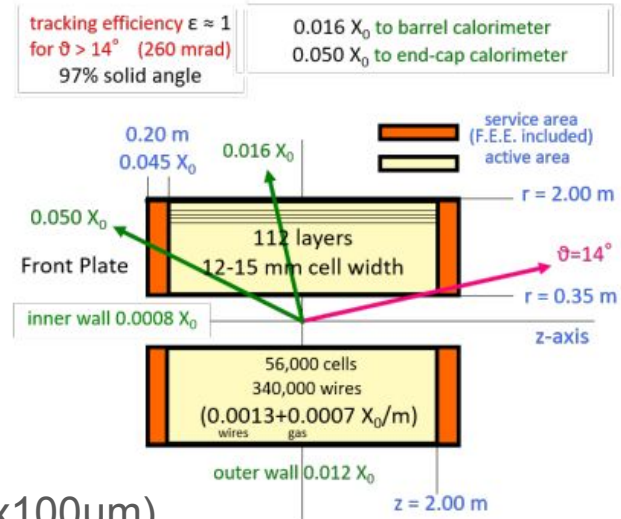
# Drift chamber design

Large volume: Radius 0.35-2 m  
Length 4m

Coverage: Full stereo **112 co-axial layers**  
Solid angle 97%

Material budget: Barrel 1.6%  $X_0$   
Endcap 5.0%  $X_0$   
Inner and outer walls of carbon fiber (2x100 $\mu$ m)  
and foam sandwich

Wires: Sense 20  $\mu$ m diameter W(Au)  
Field 40-50  $\mu$ m diameter Al(Ag)  
Ratio 5:1  
Stereo angle 50-250 mrad



# Drift chamber design

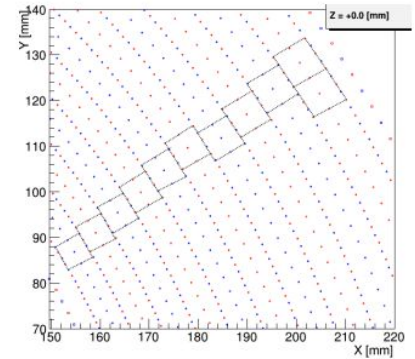
Gas mixture: 90% He – 10%  $iC_4H_{10}$

Granularity: Squared cell dimension 12-14.5 mm  
Drift time 350-400 ns

Spatial resolution:  $\sigma_{xy} \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$   
 $\sigma_z \sim 1 \text{ mm}$

Momentum resolution:  $\sigma(1/p_T) \sim 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1} + 0.6 \times 10^{-3} / p_T$

Cluster counting:  $(\sigma(dN_{cl}/dx))/(dN_{cl}/dx) \approx 2\%$   
MIP ionization  $12 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



Tungsten in the sense wires is the larger contribution to the material budget.

# Drift Chamber pillars

Transparency (1.6%  $X_0$ )

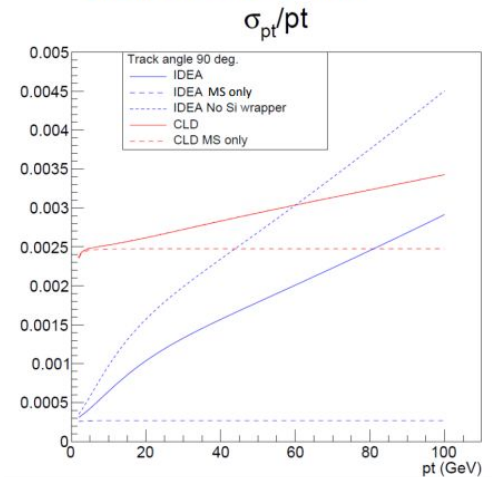
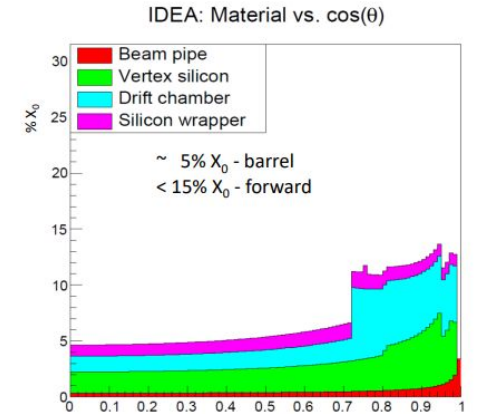
High granularity (112 layers)

PID improved (cluster counting)

$$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T}|_{res.} \approx \frac{12 \sigma_{r\phi} p_T}{0.3 B_0 L_0^2} \sqrt{\frac{5}{N+5}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T}|_{m.s.} \approx \frac{0.0136 \text{ GeV}/c}{0.3 \beta B_0 L_0} \sqrt{\frac{d_{tot}}{X_0 \sin \theta}}$$

Precise tracking achieved together with the vertex detector and the silicon wrapper





# IDEA requirement and benchmark examples: tracking

The following physics processes are used to evaluate the impact of the tracking performance:

$ZH, Z \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^- \quad H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

measuring  $mH, \sigma(ZH), BR(H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$

$Z \rightarrow \tau\mu$  for LFV

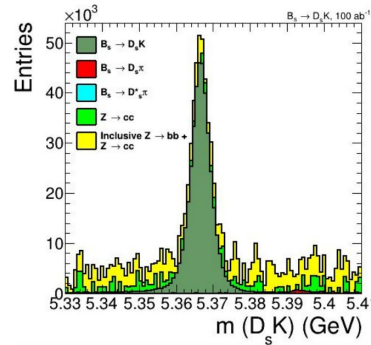
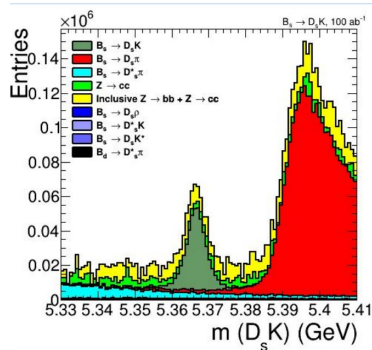
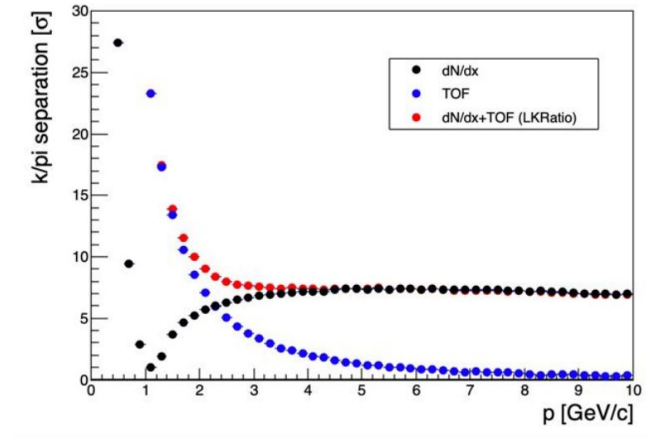
background  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and sensitivity improves linearly  
with momentum resolution on the muon

# IDEA requirement and benchmark example: PID

PID studies for K/ $\pi$  separation

$B_s \rightarrow D_s K$  with  $D_s \rightarrow \phi \pi$  and  $\phi \rightarrow KK$

Here the mass spectrum w/o and w/ PID

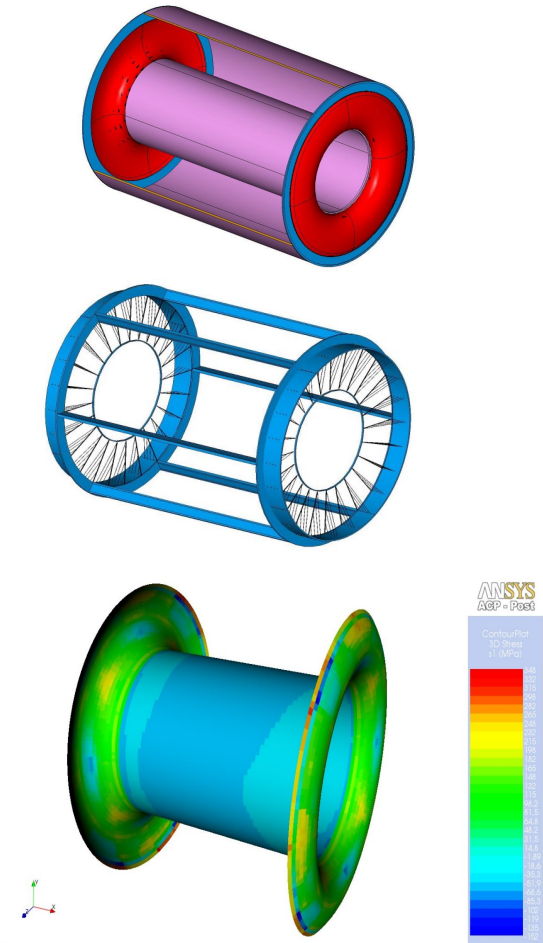


# IDEA DCH mechanics

Separated endplates for **mechanics** and **gas sealing**

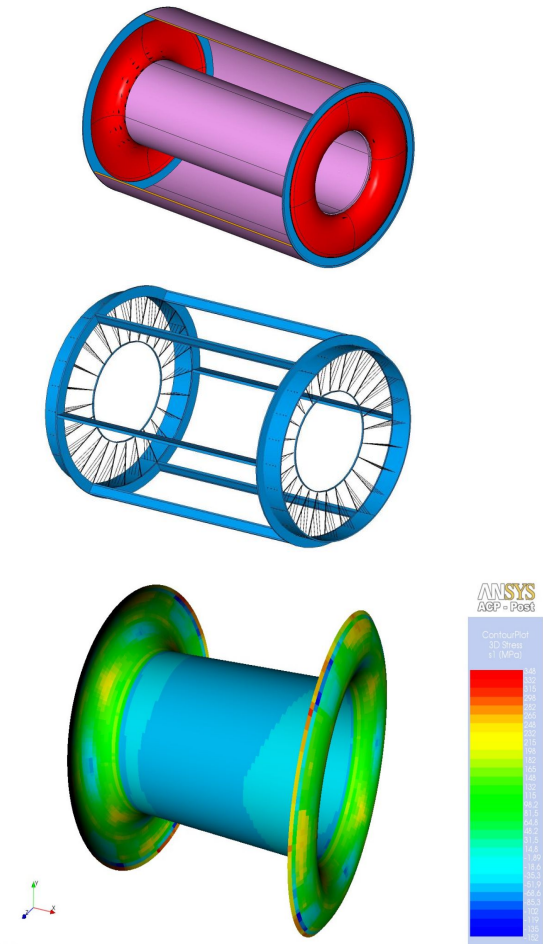
Wiring technique close to MEG-II drift chamber  
(**feed-through-less**)

Finite element analysis for the **wire tension recovery scheme**.



# IDEA DCH mechanics

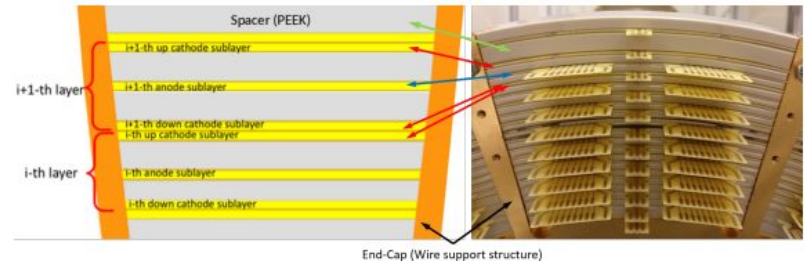
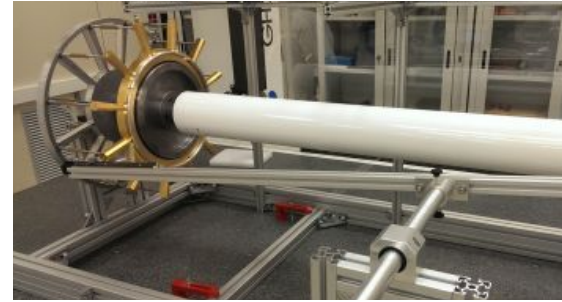
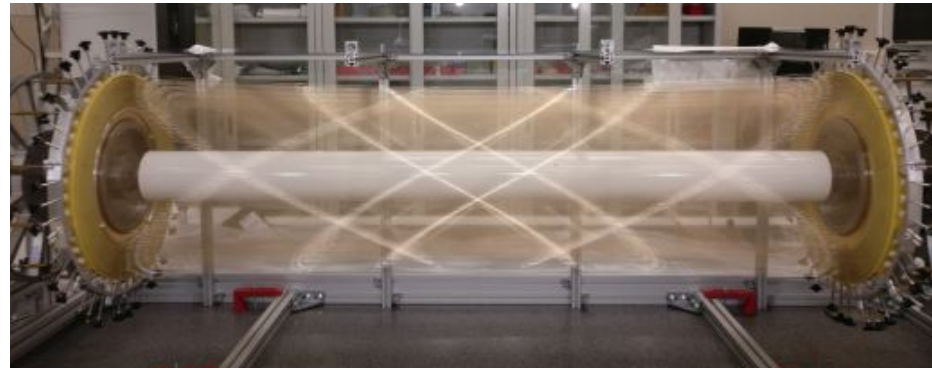
**Construction** a full-size **prototype** (4m long) is **planned** to test different **wire** choices (diameter, material) and the relative **electrostatic stability** and to validate the proposed **tension** recovery **scheme** of the endplates.



# MEG-II DCH mechanics

Feed-through-less technique to reduce the cell dimension

Automatic wiring robot to guarantee the wire positioning and stretching on the PCB



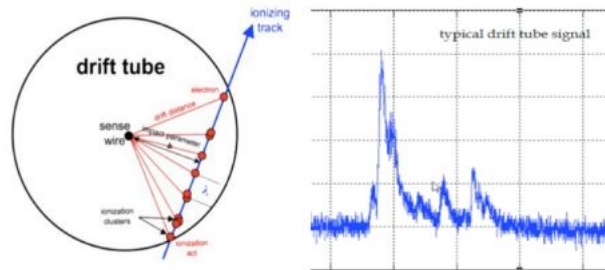
# IDEA DCH readout

Cluster counting technique impose severe requirements on the readout.

The arrival times of each individual ionization electrons is measured by the **electronics placed on both sides** of the endcaps.

Readout on both wire ends with a total **drift time of 400ns** and a **digitization** at 14 bits and **2GS/s**.

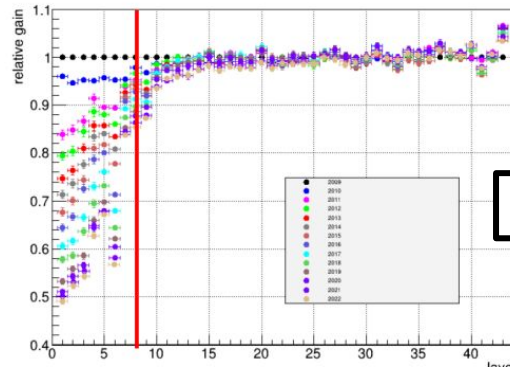
Online algorithm on FPGA identifies the single ionization peak in the signal needed by the cluster counting to reduce the throughput from 1 Tb/s to 60 Gb/s (R&D ongoing)



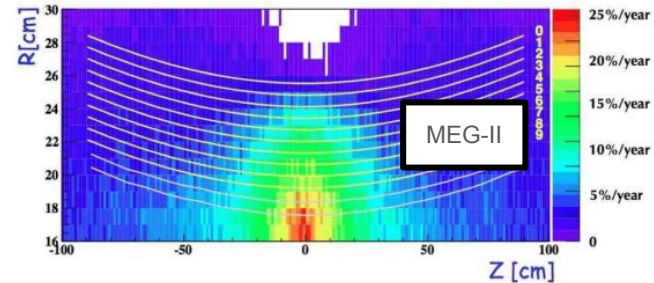
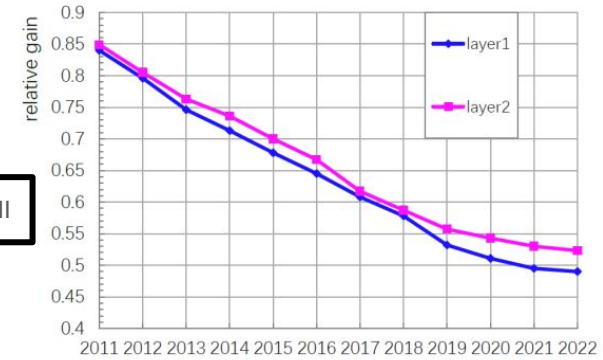
# Drift chamber aging

**Deposits** on the anodes cause a **gain loss** due to the increase in effective diameter of the sense wires.

**MEG-II** and **BESIII** drift chambers are reported.



BESIII



MEG-II

Figure 38 Gain drop in one year of DAQ time.

# Aging: MEG-II example

**Wire breaking problems** arose during MEG-II drift chamber assembly.

Problem was investigated: chemical and mechanical analysis showed that the origin is the chemical corrosion of Al core in presence of **water condensation**.

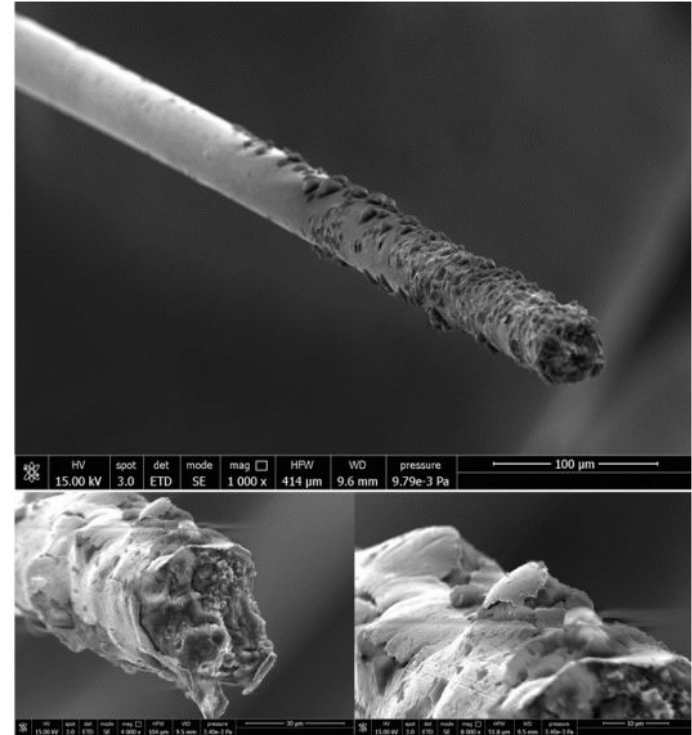
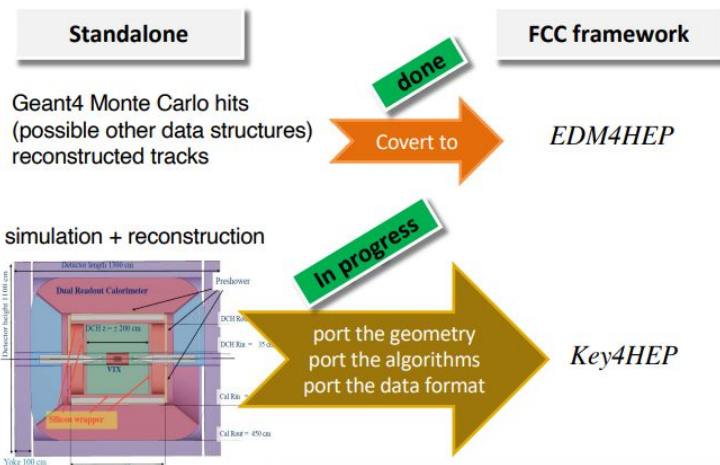
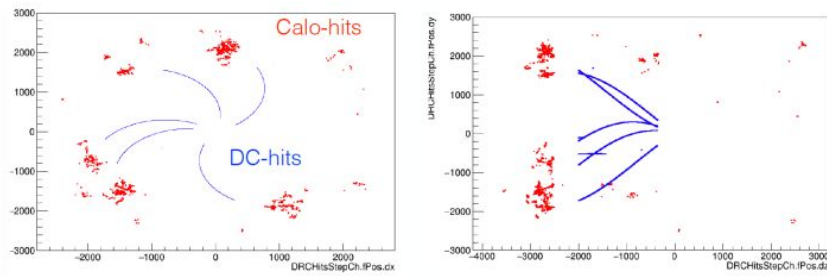


Figure 5.8: SEM images of 2 breaking points.

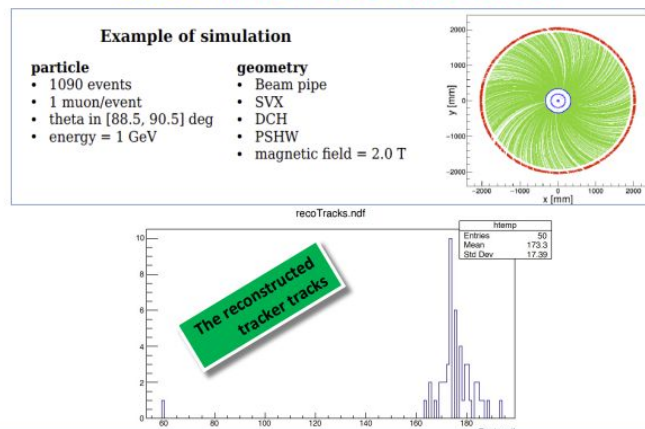


# IDEA DCH simulation

**Geant4** and **Garfield++** simulations first, then **DD4HEP** implementation are used to evaluate the performance of the DCH



The converted tracker hits: **silicon vertex tracker**, **drift chamber**, **pre-shower**

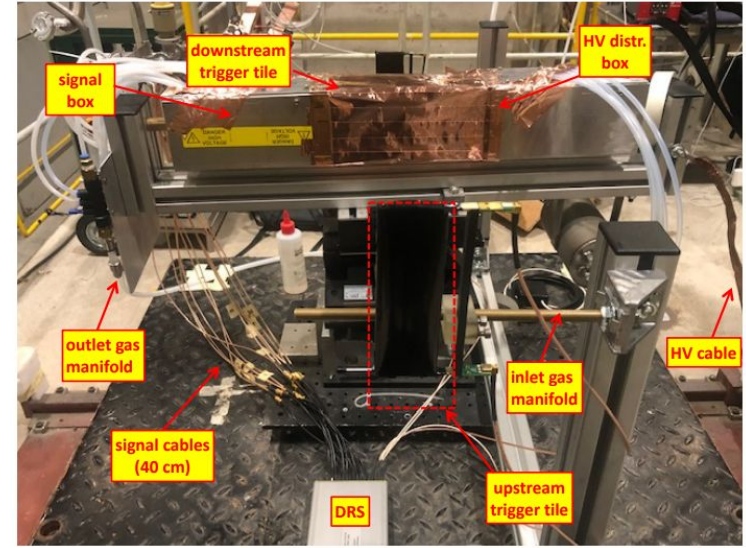


# IDEA DCH testbeam

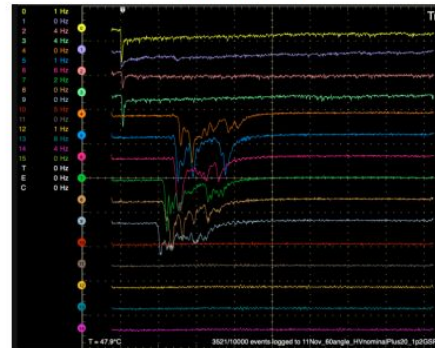
Need to **demonstrate** the ability to **count clusters**: at a fixed  $\beta\gamma$  (e.g. muons at a fixed momentum) count the clusters by doubling and tripling the track length and changing the track angle.

Establish the **limiting parameters** for an efficient cluster counting:

- cluster density (by changing the **gas mixture**)
- space charge (by changing **gas gain**, sense **wire** diameter, track angle)
- gas gain saturation

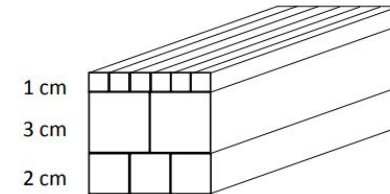


Event display



The experimental setup  
at CERN H8 beam  
November 2021

Drift tubes pack



# Cluster counting

Counting  $dN_{cl}/dx$  (# of ionization acts per unit length) make possible to identify particles (P.Id.) with a better resolution than  $dE/dx$

**dE/dx:** requires high stability on HV and gas parameters and electronics calibration with truncated mean cut (70-80%) reduces the amount of information.

For  $n = 112$  and a 2m track at 1 atm  $\rightarrow \sigma \approx 4.3\%$

**CC:** Requires fast electronics and sophisticated counting algorithms. It is less dependent on gain stability issues

For  $\delta_{cl} = 12./cm$  for He/iC4H10=90/10 and a 2m track  $\rightarrow \sigma \approx 2.0\%$

$$\frac{\sigma_{dE/dx}}{(dE/dx)} = 0.41 \cdot N^{-0.43} \cdot (L_{track} [m] \cdot P[atm])^{-0.32}$$

Empirical parametrization

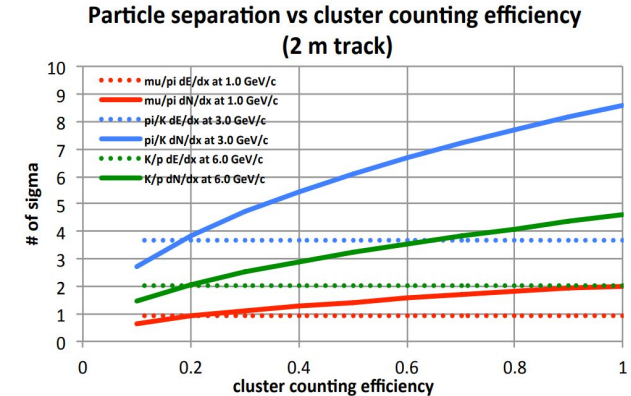
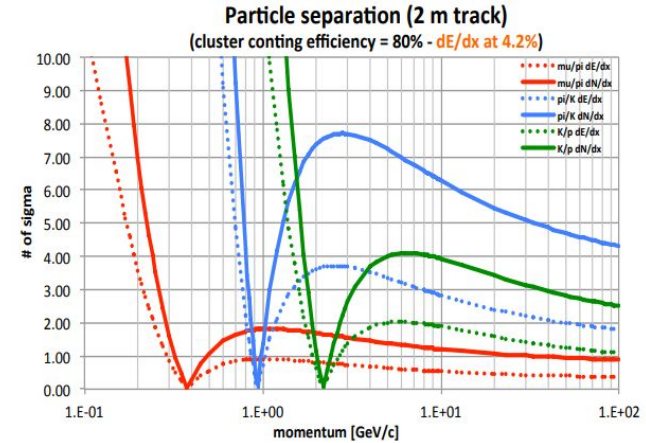
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$$\frac{\sigma_{dN_{cl}/dx}}{(dN_{cl} / dx)} = (\delta_{cl} \cdot L_{track})^{-1/2} = N_{cl}^{-1/2}$$

Poisson

# Cluster counting in simulation

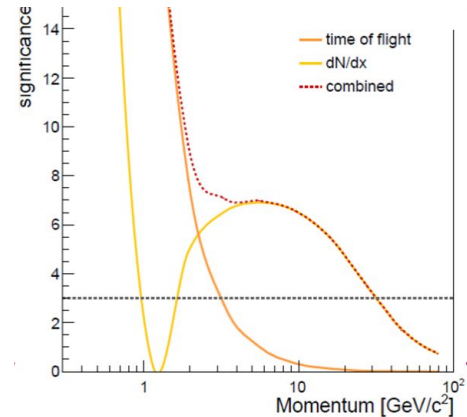
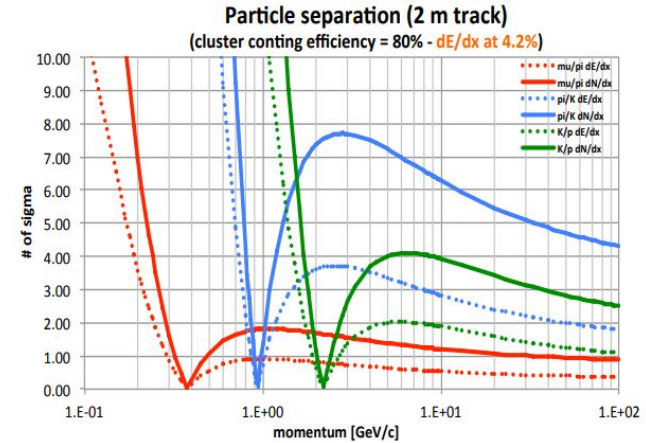
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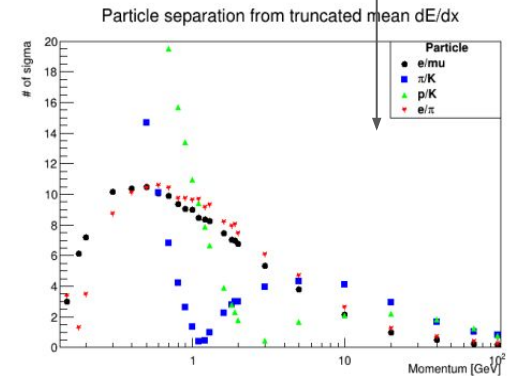
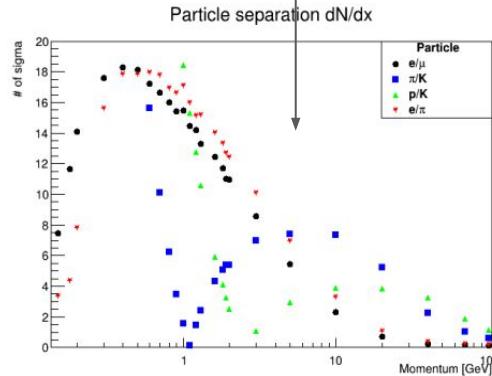
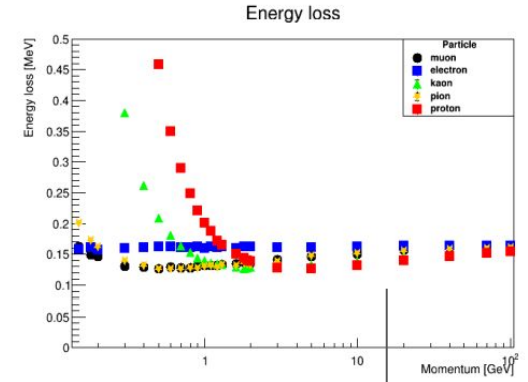
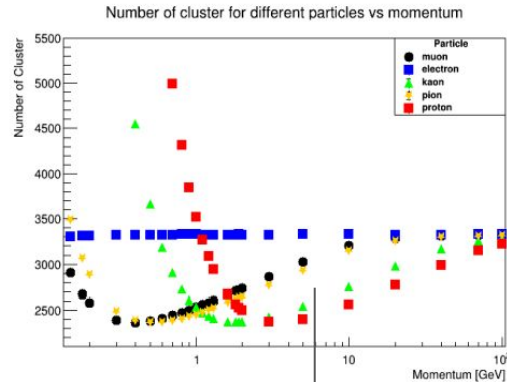
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The **combination** of the **CC** and the **TOF** information provides a stable separation of K/ $\pi$



# Cluster counting in simulation

Simulation with **Garfield++** and with the Garfield model ported in **GEANT4**: the particle separation, both with  $dE/dx$  and with  $dN_{cl}/dx$ , in **GEANT4** found considerably worse than in Garfield and the  $dN_{cl}/dx$  Fermi plateau with respect to  $dE/dx$  is reached at lower values of  $\beta\gamma$  with a steeper slope. **Results on real data from beam tests are crucial.**





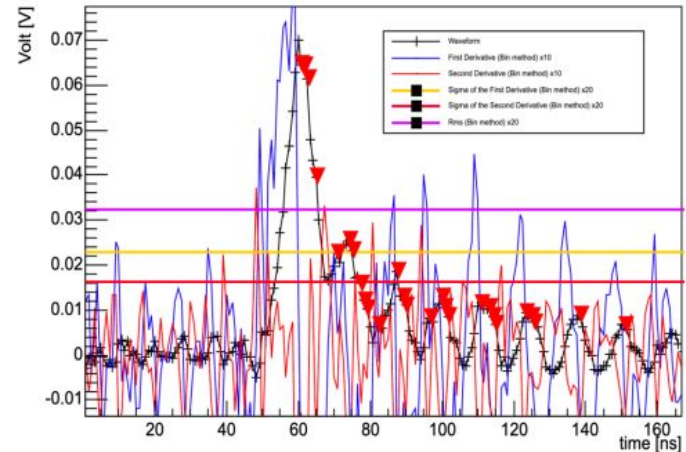
# Cluster counting in testbeam

## The first and second derivative algorithm (DERIV)

Requirements for a good peak candidate in the bin position [ip]:

1. Amplitude constraint:
  - $\text{Amplitude}[ip] > 4 * \text{rms}$
  - $\text{Amplitude}[ip] - \text{Amplitude}[ip-1] > \text{rms} \ || \ \text{Amplitude}[ip+1] - \text{Amplitude}[ip-1] > \text{rms}$
2. First derivative constraint:
  - $\text{Fderiv}[ip] < \sigma_{\text{der}1} / 2$
  - $\text{Fderiv}[ip-1] > \sigma_{\text{der}1} \ || \ \text{Fderiv}[ip+1] < -\sigma_{\text{der}1}$
3. Second derivative constraint:
  - $\text{Sderiv}[ip] < 0$

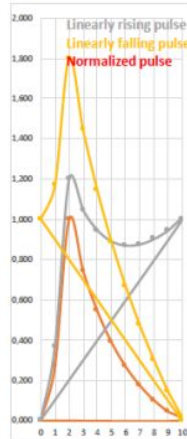
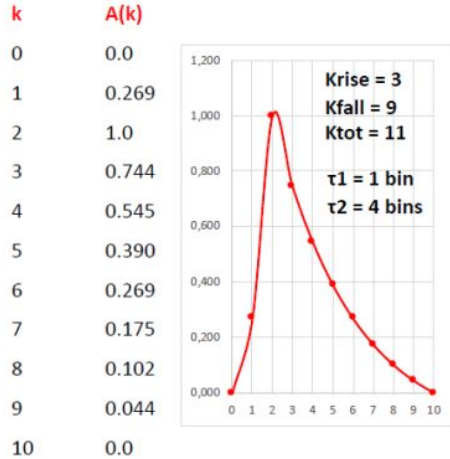
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Tube with 1 cm cell size and 20  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter



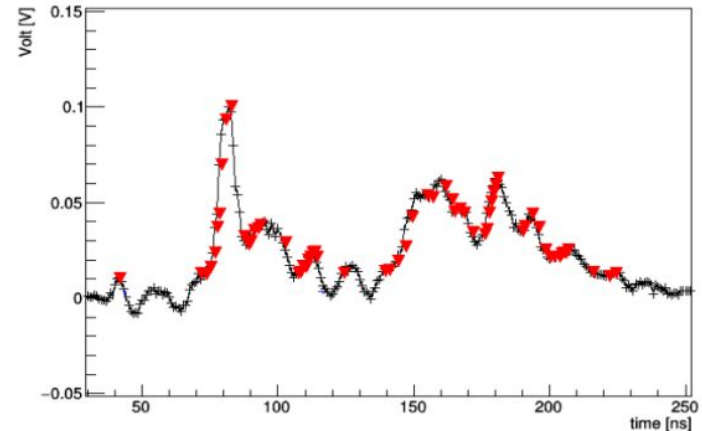
# Cluster counting in testbeam

## The running template algorithm (RTA)

- Define an electron pulse template based on experimental data.
- Raising and falling exponential over a fixed number of bins (Ktot).
- Digitize it (A(k)) according to the data sampling rate.
- Run over Ktot bins by comparing it to the subtracted and normalized data (build a sort of  $\chi^2$ ).
- Define a cut on  $\chi^2$ .
- Subtract the found peak to the signal spectrum.
- Iterate the search.
- Stop when no new peak is found.

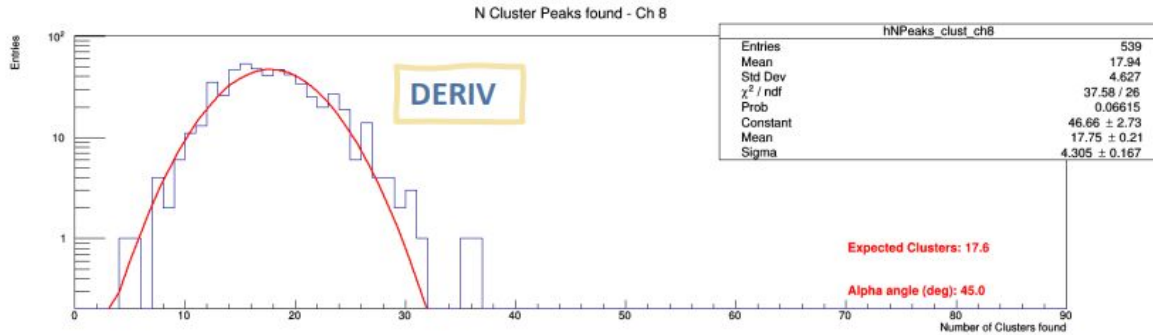


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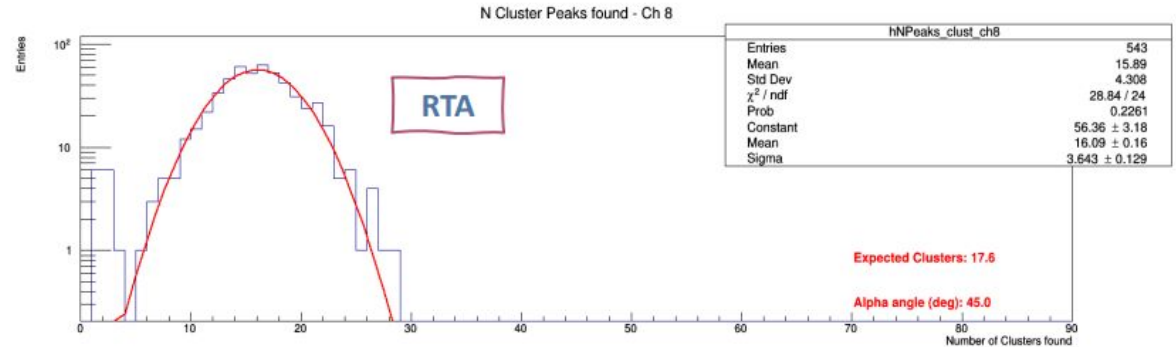




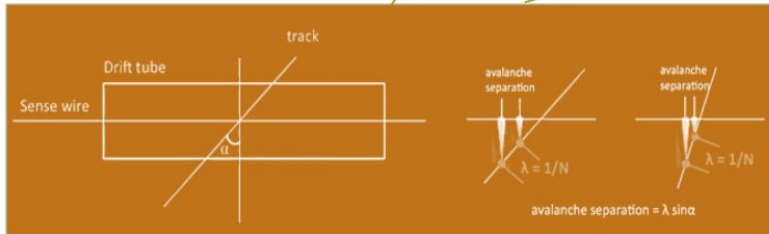
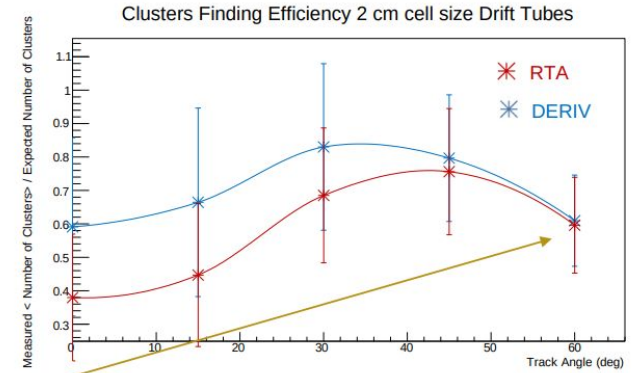
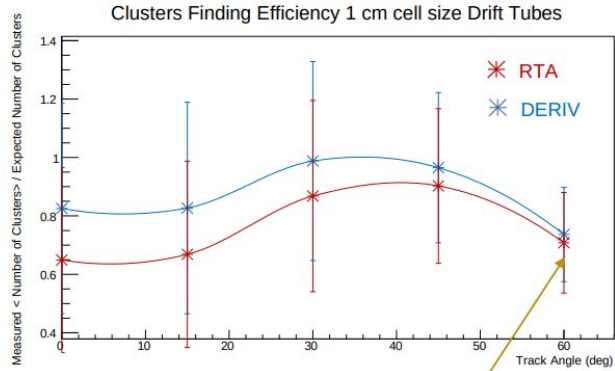
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# Cluster counting in testbeam

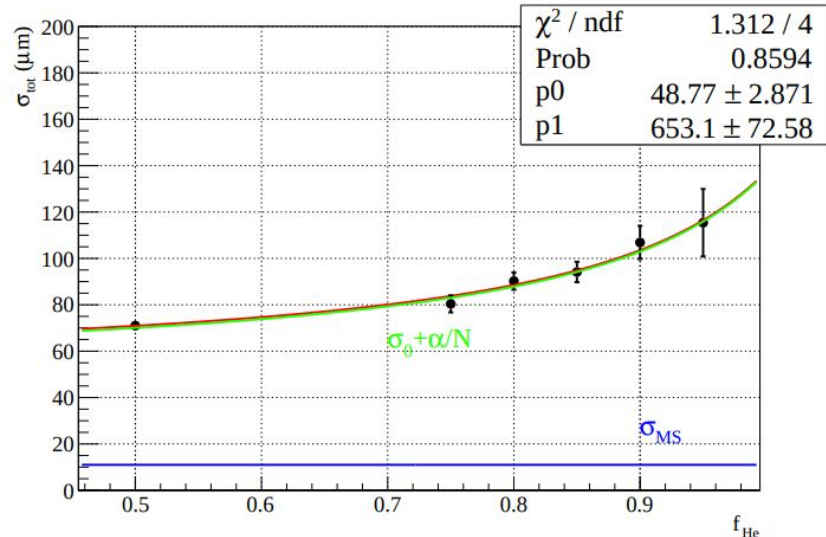
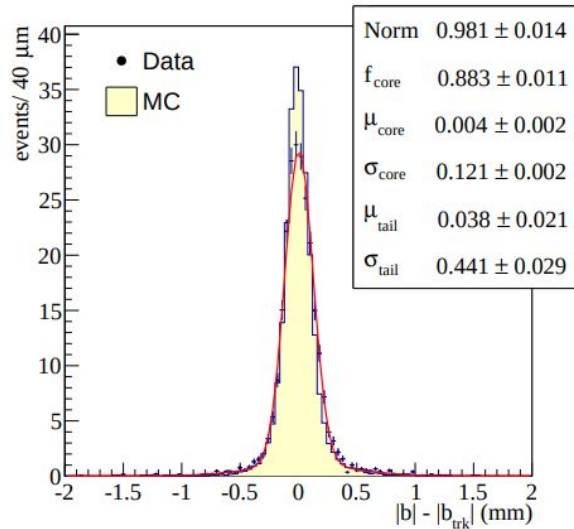


Space charge, attachment and recombination effects affect the experimental cluster counting efficiency

# Tracking performance: single hit resolution

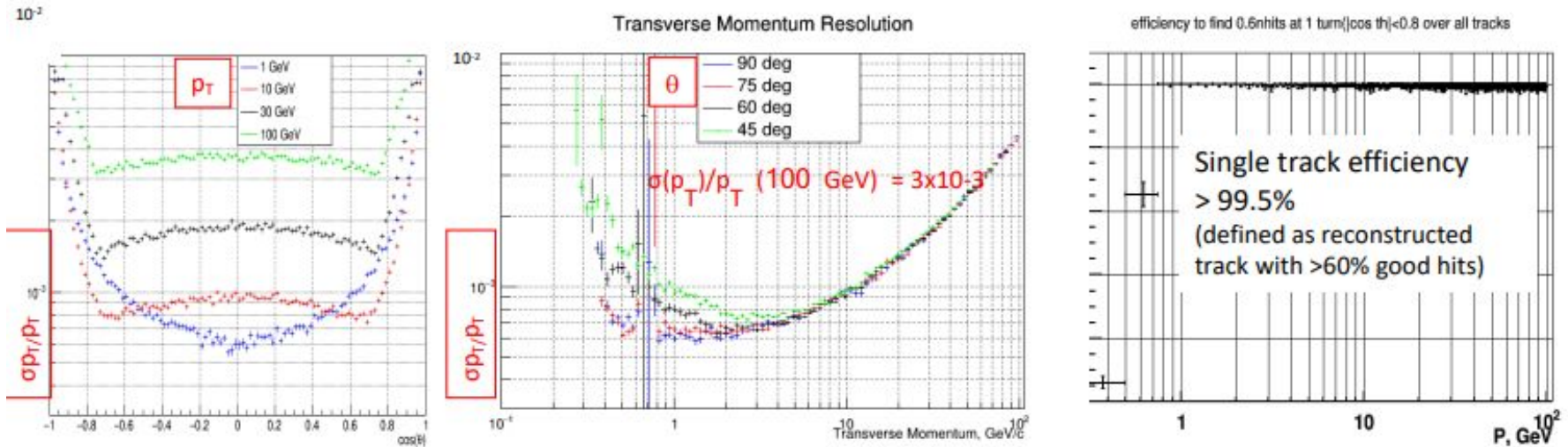
Single hit resolution is measured with the MEG-II drift chamber prototype.

**A spatial resolution of 100  $\mu\text{m}$**  is achieved with this configuration



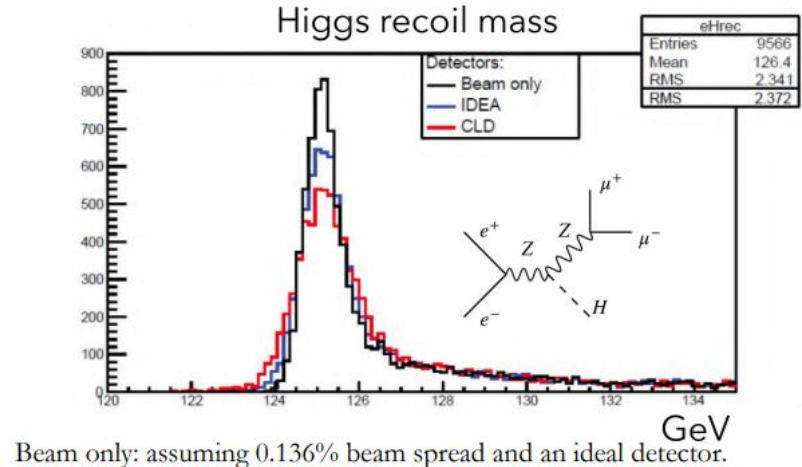
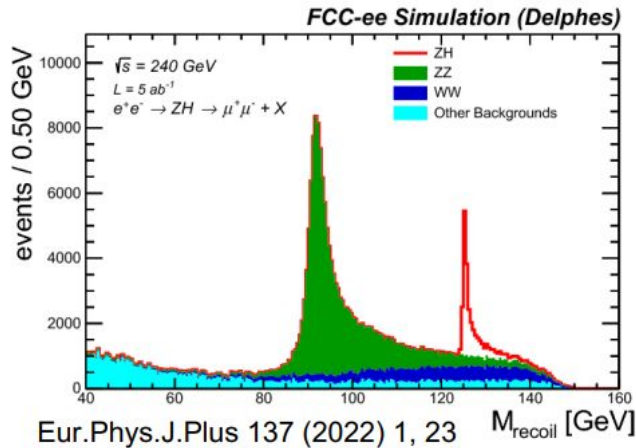
# Tracking performance: single hit resolution

Assuming a 100  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution, the **tracking performance** are evaluated with fast simulation **combining** the DCH, the vertex and the silicon wrapper.



# Tracking performance: single hit resolution

The large signal-to-background ratio on the one hand, and the excellent drift-chamber muon momentum resolution on the other, offer the possibility to **determine the inclusive ZH cross section and the Higgs boson mass with a statistical precision of ~1% and ~6 MeV, respectively.**



# Machine background

A study of the **Incoherent Pair Creation** (IPC) background, expected to be the **dominant beam-induced background** in the IDEA drift chamber, was performed.

Only very few of the **primary  $e^\pm$**  particles have a transverse momentum large enough to reach the inner **radius of the drift chamber (35 cm)**.

The majority of the hits observed in the drift chamber are thus from **secondary** particles (mainly **photons** of energy below 1 MeV) produced by scattering off the material at lower radii.

The average occupancy of the drift chamber due to this background was found to be about 0.3% (3%) per bunch crossing at 91.2 (365) GeV, with a smooth decrease by a about a factor two from low to large radii.

At the Z pole, a naive and very conservative integration **over 20 bunch crossings** – corresponding to the 400 ns maximum drift time – yields a **maximum occupancy of about 10% in the innermost** drift cells.

# Machine background

Background	Average occupancy	
	$\sqrt{s} = 91.2 \text{ GeV}$	$\sqrt{s} = 365 \text{ GeV}$
$e^+e^-$ pair background	1.1%	2.9%
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$ hadrons	0.001%	0.035%
Synchrotron radiation	negligible	0.2%

Based on experience from the MEG2 drift chamber, **this occupancy**, which allows over 100 hits to be recorded per track on average in the DCH, is **deemed manageable**.

The level of occupancy is actually expected to be much smaller than this conservative estimate with the use of the drift chamber **timing** measurement.

As opposed to **charged particles that leave a string** of ionisation in the drift cells they traverse, **photons are characterised by a localised energy deposition**. Signals from photons can therefore be effectively **suppressed** at the data acquisition level by requiring that at least **three ionisation** clusters appear within a time window of **50 ns**.

In addition, a **charge string with a hole longer than 100 ns can be interpreted as two separate signals**, so as to avoid the integration of any remaining photon-induced background over 20 bunch crossings, but rather integrate over a time corresponding to only four bunch crossings.

With this effective suppression of photon-induced signals, the background from IPC is expected to remain low and is unlikely to cause adverse issues for the track reconstruction. According to these considerations, the average occupancy from IPC, SR, and  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$  hadrons is summarised in Table.

# Challenges

Extremely high luminosities: large statistics (high statistical precision) - control of systematics (@ $10^{-5}$  level)

Large beam crossing angle (30mrad) very complex MDI emittance blow-up with detector solenoid field ( $< 2T$ )

Physics event rates up to 100 kHz (at Z pole) strong requirements on sub-detectors and **DAQ systems**

Bunch spacing down to 20 ns (at Z pole) "continuous" beams (no power pulsing)

More physics challenges at Z pole:

- luminosity measurement at  $10^{-5}$  - luminometer acceptance  $\approx 1-2 \mu\text{m}$

- detector acceptance definition at  $< 10^{-5}$  - detector hermeticity (no cracks!)

- stability of momentum measurement - stability of magnetic field wrt  $E_{\text{cm}}$  ( $10^{-6}$ )

- b/c/g jets separation - flavor and  $\tau$  physics - vertex detector precision

- particle identification (preserving hermeticity) - flavor physics (and rare processes)

**The maximum drift time (400ns) will impose an overlap of some (20 at Z pole) bunch crossings bringing the hit occupancy to ~ 10% in the innermost drift cells.** Based on MEG-II experience, this occupancy, which allows over 100 hits to be recorded per track on average in the DCH, is deemed manageable.

However, **signals from photons can be effectively suppressed** at the data acquisition level by requiring that at least three ionization clusters appear within a time window of 50 ns. In addition, **cluster signals separated by more than 100 ns** are not from the same signals, this effectively bring the **BXs pile-up from 20 to 4**



Thank  
you!