

# TPC ion gate

- Ion feed back from the readout amplification will cause important distortions of the drift field

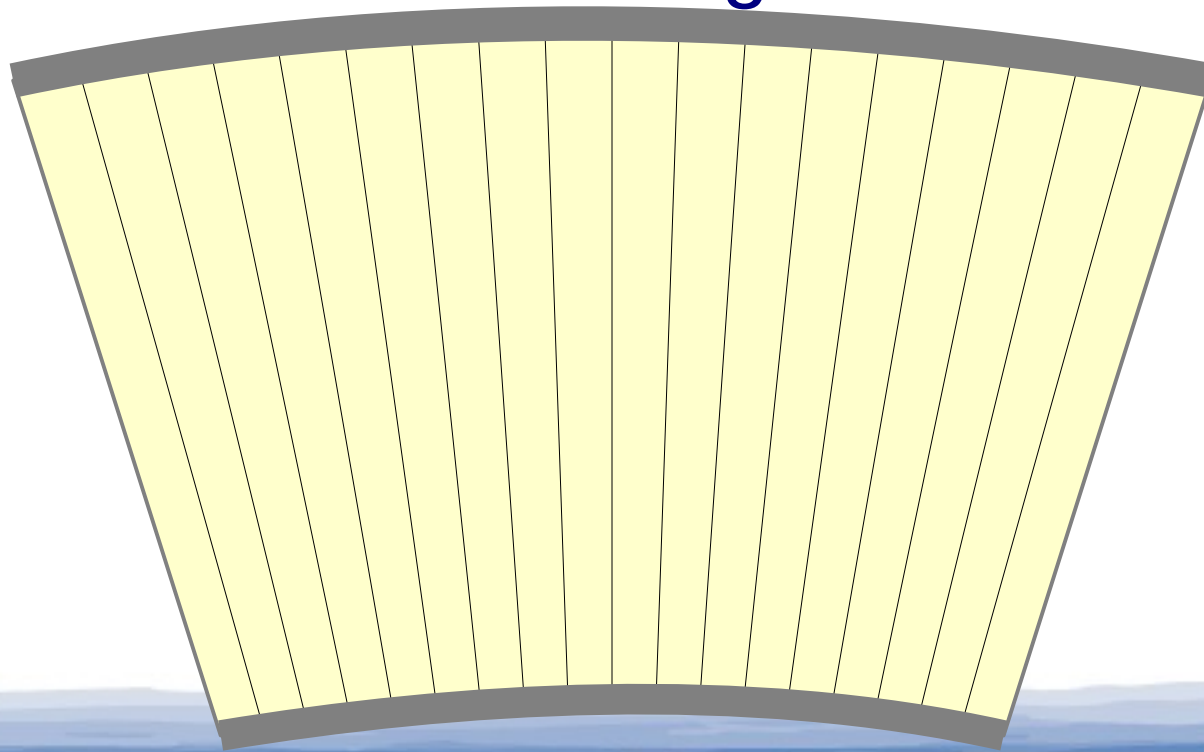
=> **A gating system is necessary**

- A GEM gating system is studied, but the performance is not proven yet
- We need to propose a viable solution for the DBD

=> Back to wire gate

# Considerations on a Wire Gating Grid

- An independent gating structure would be difficult to achieve without dead areas
  - Integrated in the modules would be better
- =>Is it possible to make a gate with radial wires?



# Radial wire gate

- Advantages

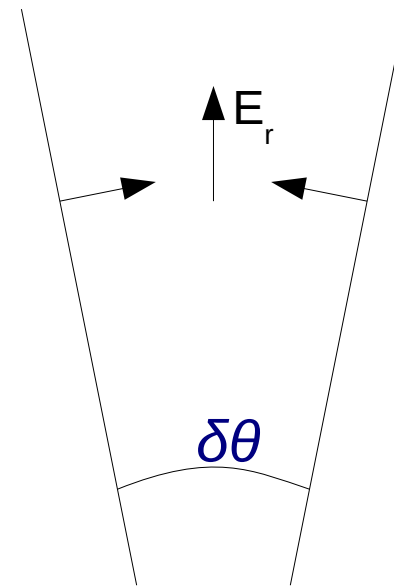
- easier to integrate in the module
- less dead areas
- displacement along the wire have less effect on the resolution (?)

- Problems

- non parallel wires
- possibly strong angular dependency
- difficult to make a good model for simulations

# Non parallel wires

- non parallel wires will create a radial electric field
- The radial component does not disappear with drift distance



# Field calculation

- Approximation:

- potential same as for infinite parallel wires (according to calculations following Blum-Rolandi book)
- wire pitch dependent on radius
- realistic boundary conditions should reduce even further the radial dependency

- Result (for large z):

$$E_y = -\delta\theta 2\pi z_0 \frac{1 - \ln \frac{2\pi r}{s}}{(2\pi z_0 - s \ln \frac{2\pi r}{s})^2} \left( V_g - \frac{z_0}{z_p} V_p \right)$$

- independent of drift distance z
- disappears if wire potential  $V_g$  matches the drift field

$$E_y/E_z < -\delta\theta \frac{V_g/z_0 - E_{cage}}{E_{cage}}$$

- $\delta\theta \sim 10^{-3} \Rightarrow$  negligible for  $\Delta V/V < 0.1$

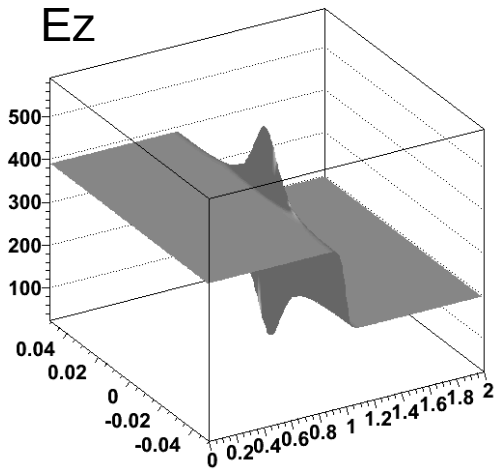
$NB: z_0 \frac{V_p}{z_p} = z_0 E_{cage} = V_{open}$

# Visualisation/Garfield++

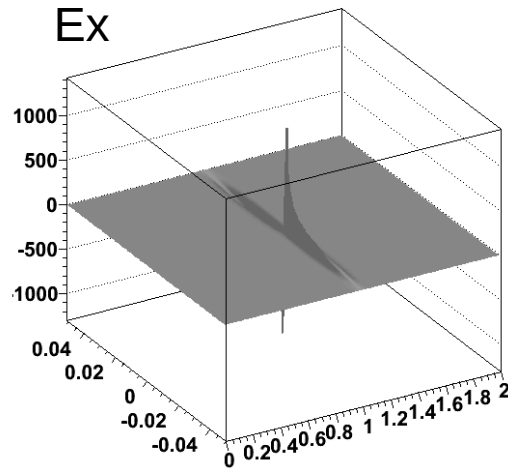
(for exaggerated value of  $V_g$ )

## E field created by Parallel Wire (as calculated by Garfield++)

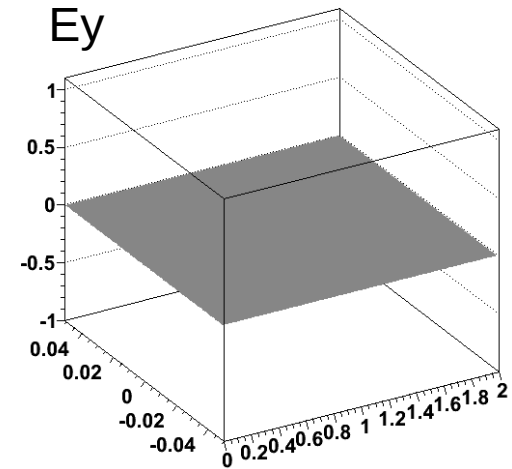
Surface plot of the electric field (x-component)



Surface plot of the electric field (y-component)

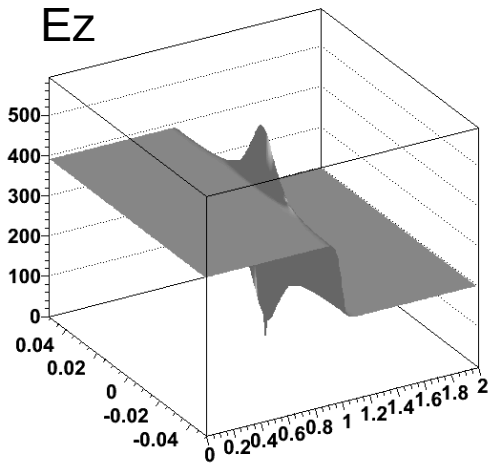


Surface plot of the electric field (z-component)

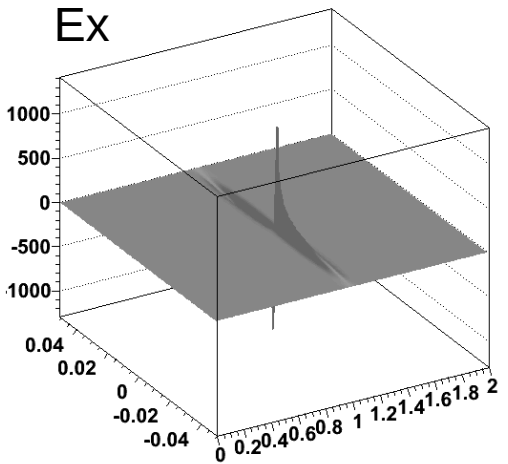


## E field created by Radial Wire (result of my calculations)

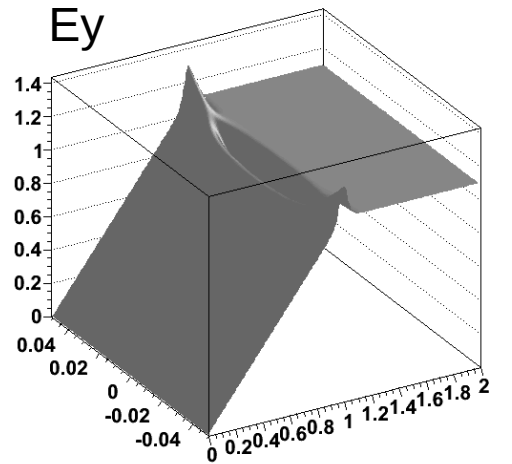
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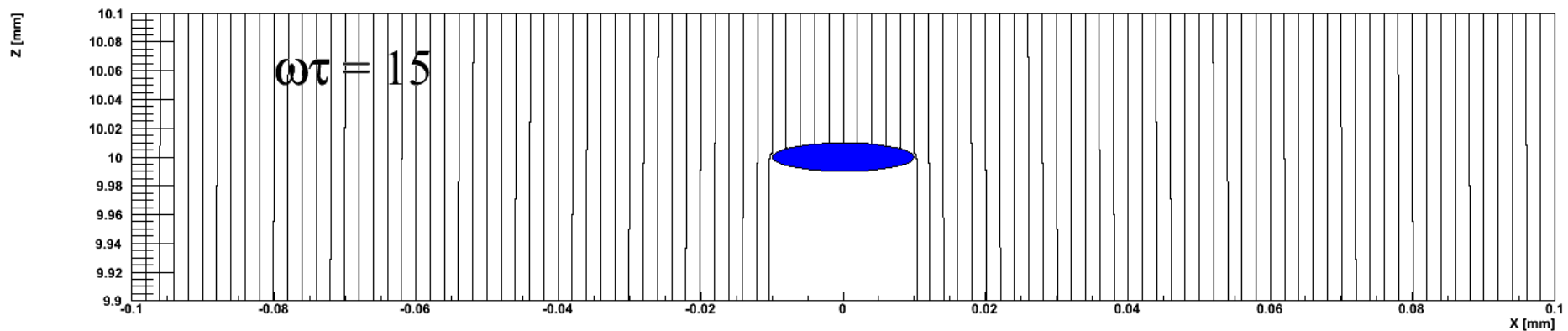
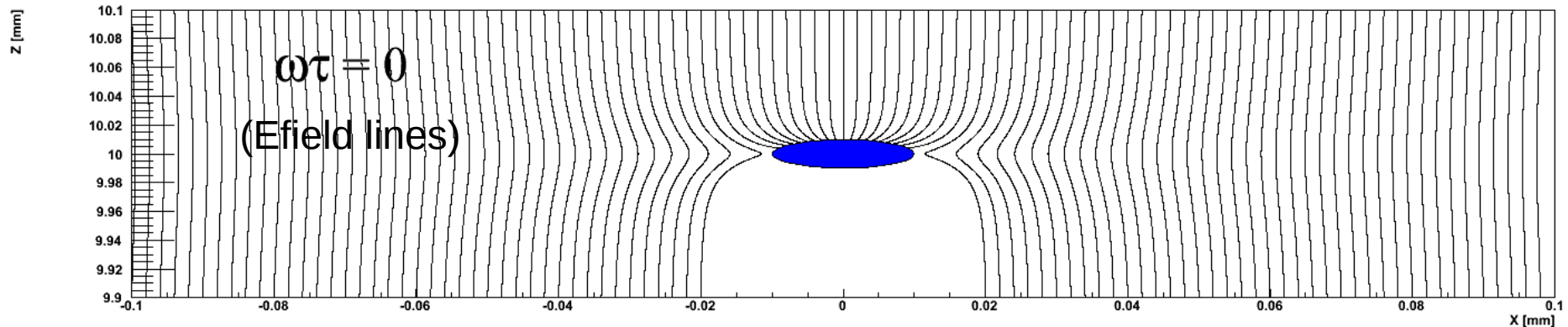
Surface plot of the electric field (z-component)



# Effects on electron position resolution

- With large  $\omega\tau$ , the electrons follow the magnetic field
  - no displacement perpendicular to the wires
- ExB effect close to the wire
  - possible significant displacement along the wire
- *These effects should have less influence on the momentum resolution in a radial config*

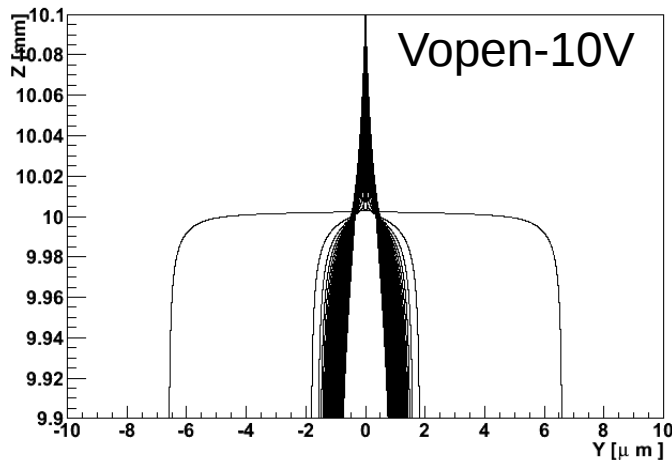
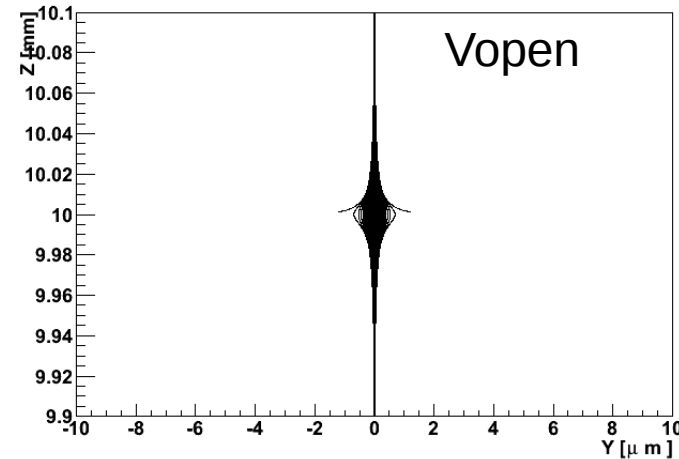
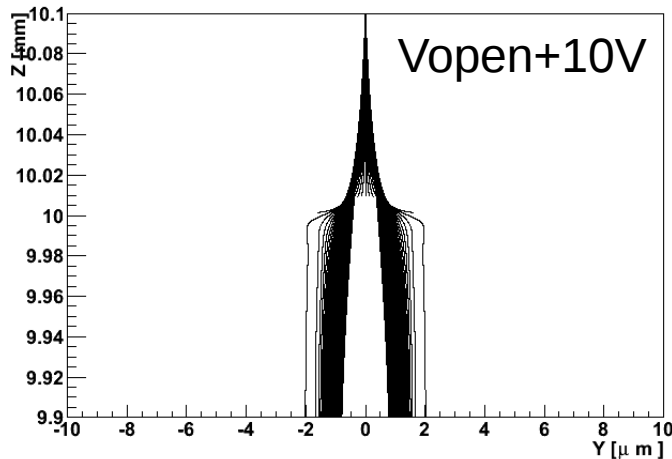
# Deviation perpendicular to the wires



Almost no deviation perpendicular to the wires ( $\sim 1\mu\text{m}$ )  
Opacity =  $2 \times R_{\text{wire}} / \text{Spacing} \sim 1\%$



# Deviation along the wire



For the ideal open voltage, the deviation are of the order of 1 micron  
For a voltage slightly off, it should no go beyond a few microns

This should still be tested experimentally

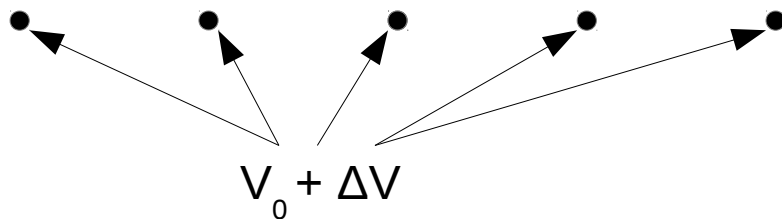
# Angular effects

- For high momentum tracks, there is the possibility that the track is on top of a wire
  - Probability  $\sim 2 \cdot R_{\text{wire}} / \text{Pitch} \sim 0.02$  ( $R_{\text{wire}} \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ , pitch  $\sim 1 \text{mm}$ )
  - The radius of influence of the wire is  $R_{\text{wire}} \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ , smaller the electron cloud after diffusion
  - Effect should average out over multiple modules
  - => The effect on momentum resolution should be negligible
- Might have a significant effect on  $dE/dx$  resolution at high momentum

# Closed Gate configuration

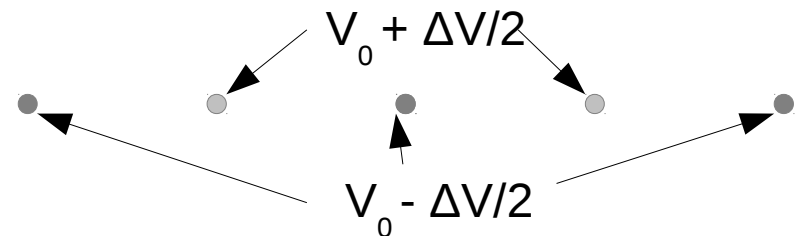
- Single voltage

- Much simpler to implement
- Higher voltages
- More strain on the wires/sagging



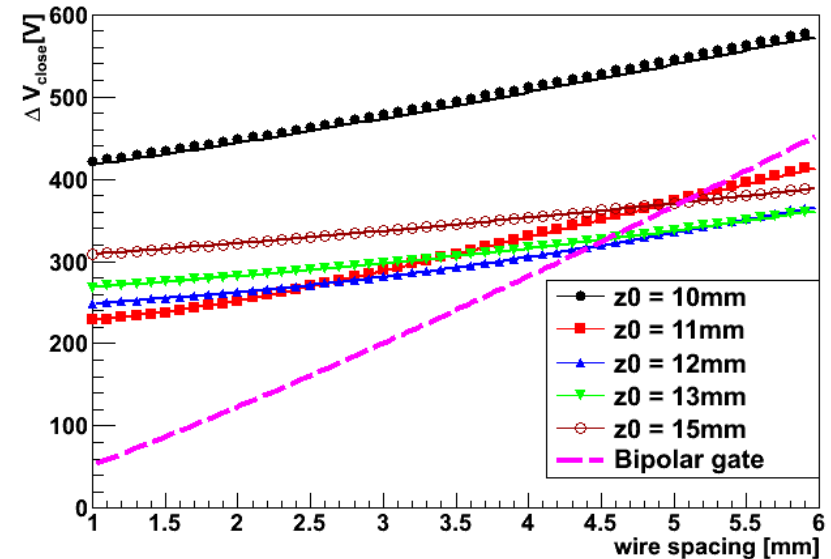
- Alternate potential

- Lower voltages
- Does not alter the drift field
- Extra HV line required



# Required voltage

- Need to maximize the wire spacing
  - 1mm => 10kg tension on the frame
- Need to close the region up to 1cm from the readout (ion disc)
  - single potential: gate needs to be a bit further



For single potential,  $V_{\text{close}}$  is such that  $E_z(z=1\text{cm})$  is negative  
(dots from Garfield++, lines from formula)

# Conclusions

- After preliminary considerations, I think that a radial wire grid is a viable candidate for a gating system
  - Open gate with  $V$  matching  $E_{\text{drift}}$  (non maximal transparency, but minimal distortions)
  - Closed gate with single potential can be considered
- Possible on ceramic frame]
  - Preliminary study by REPIC
- Such a gate should be tested in high magnetic field to get realistic  $E \times B$  effects

# GEM gate

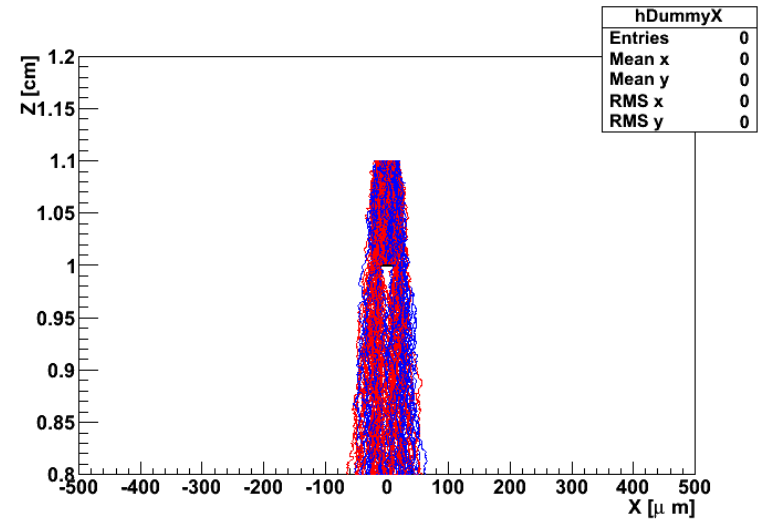
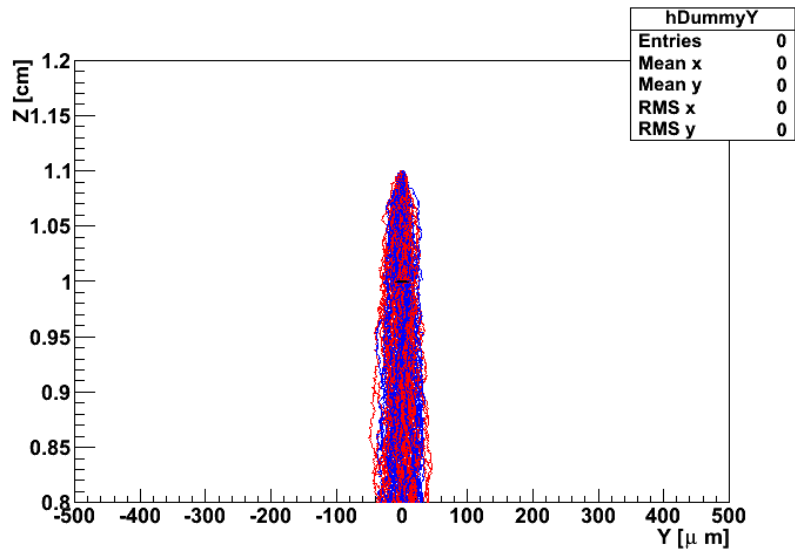
- GEM gate studies continue in Saga
- Not much progress unfortunately
- Simulation with Garfield++ finally consistent

# Back up

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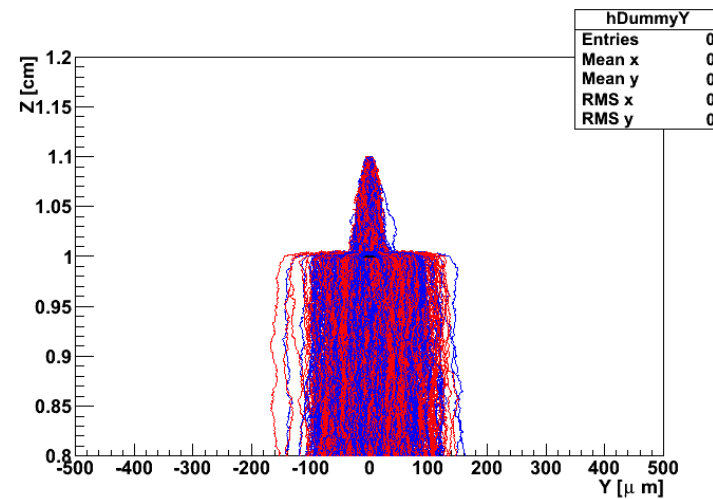
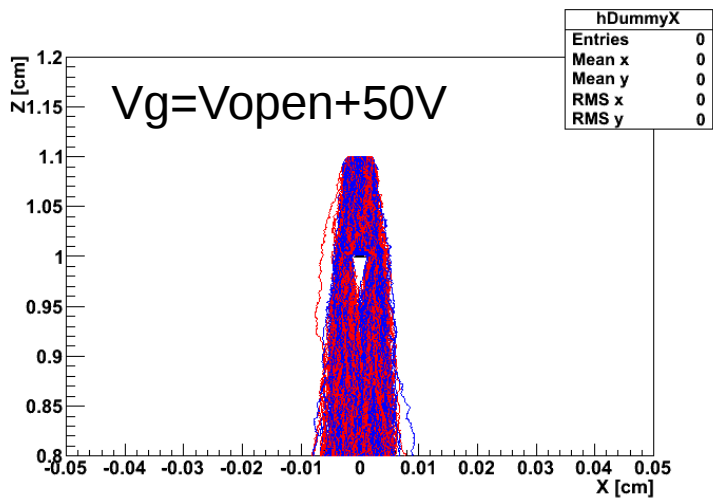
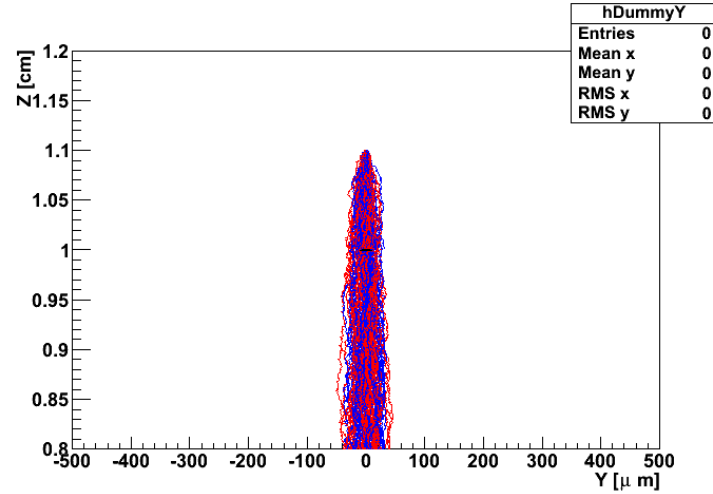
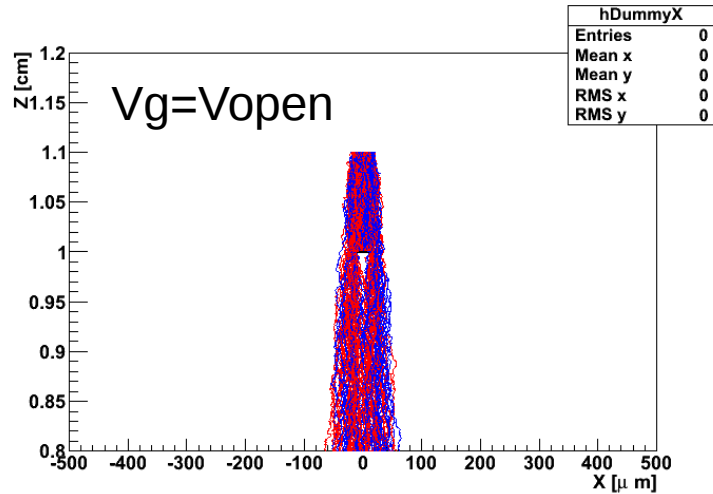
Considerations for a radial wire gate for LCTPC  
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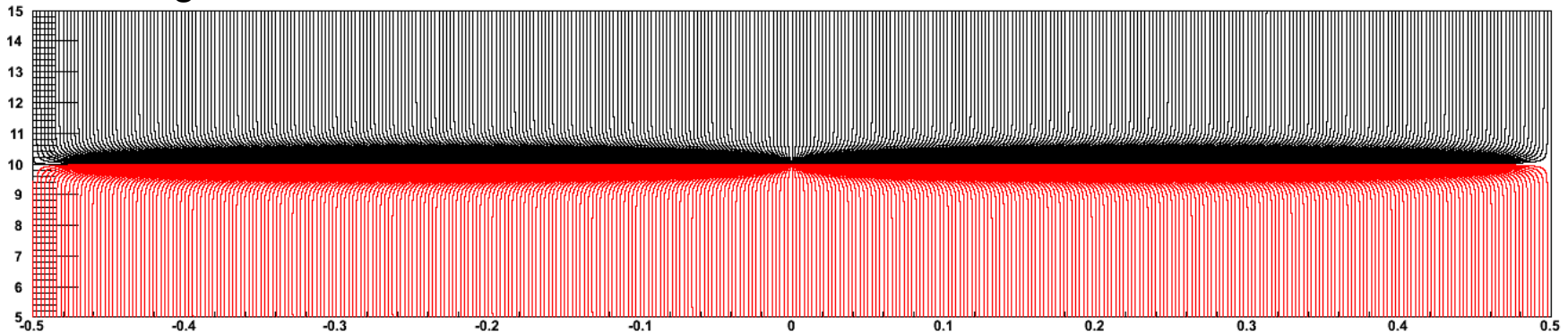


# Garfield++

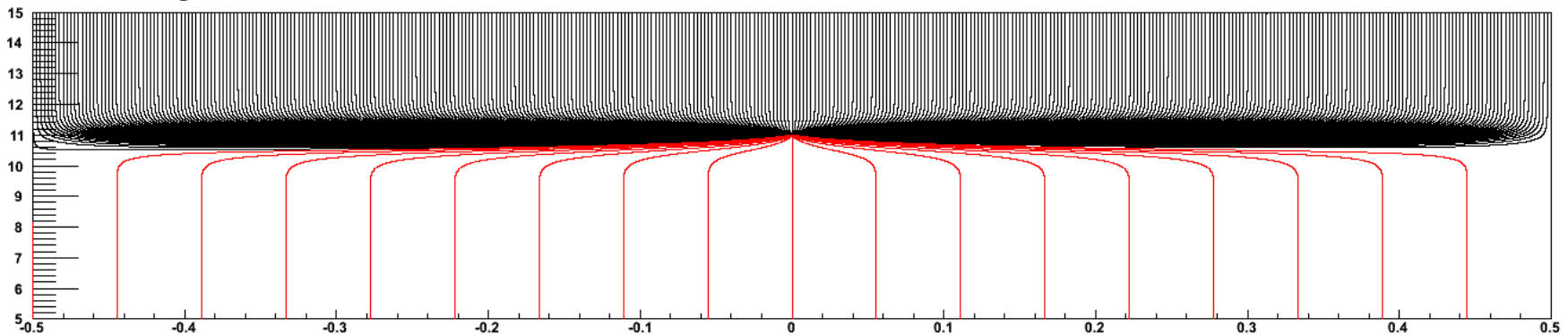


# E field, closed gate

$Z_{\text{closed}} = Z_{\text{gate}}$



$Z_{\text{closed}} = Z_{\text{gate}} - 1\text{mm}$



# V<sub>close</sub>

