

# Track reconstruction and GEM detector performance in BM@N experiment



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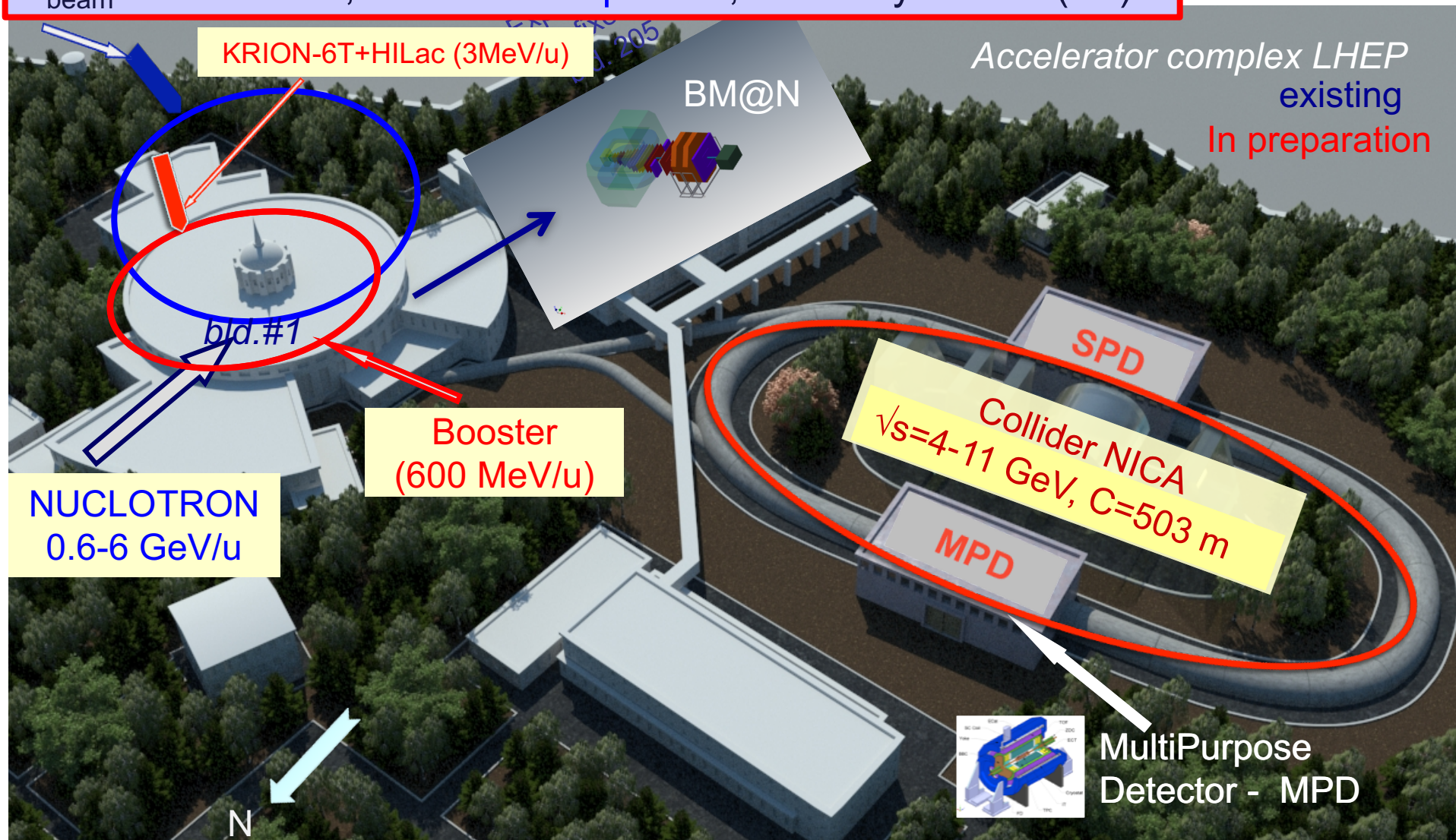
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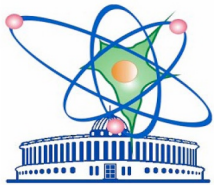
- BM@N experimental set-up
- Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber(MWPC)
- Drift Chamber (DCH)
- Beam momentum reconstruction
- The Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) tracking
- GEM hit efficiency with Nuclotron data
- Resolution for GEM

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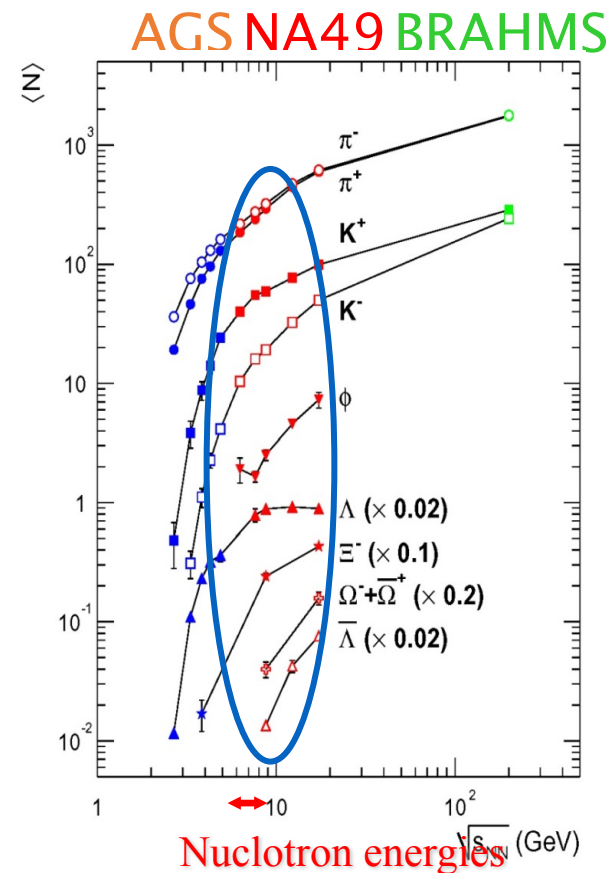
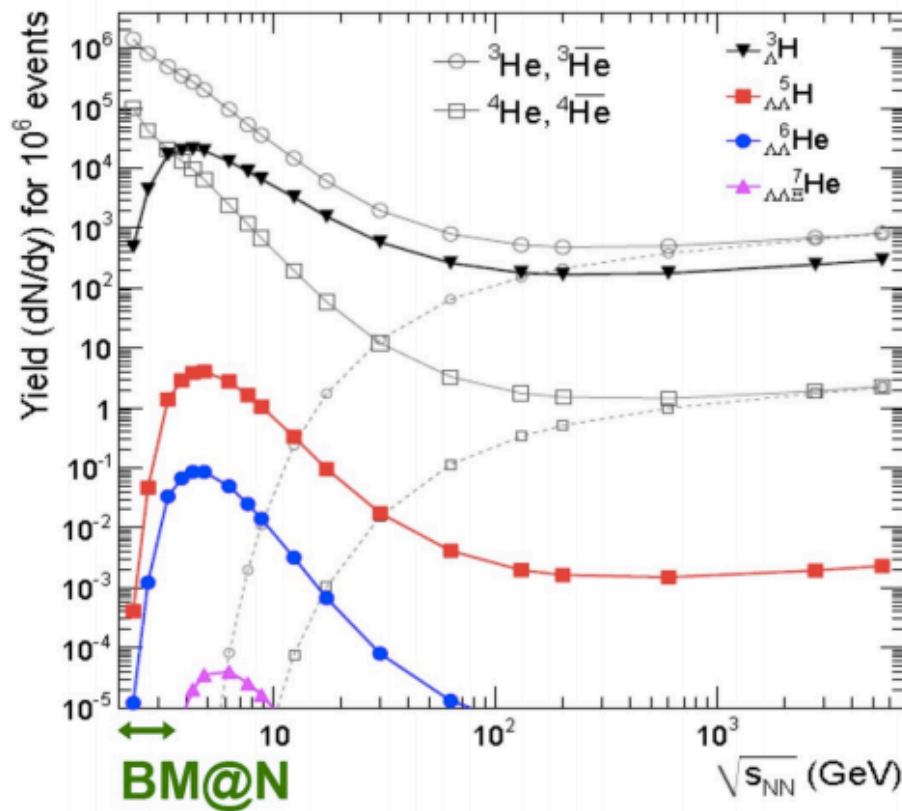
Parameters of Nuclotron for BM@N experiment:

$E_{\text{beam}} = 1-6 \text{ GeV/u}$ ; beams: from p to Au; Intensity  $\sim 10^7 \text{ c}^{-1} (\text{Au})$





# Physics possibilities at the Nuclotron



The aim of the experiment is to study interactions of relativistic heavy ion beams.

❑ **In heavy-ion reactions:** production of hypernuclei through coalescence of  $\Lambda$  with light fragments enhanced at high baryon densities

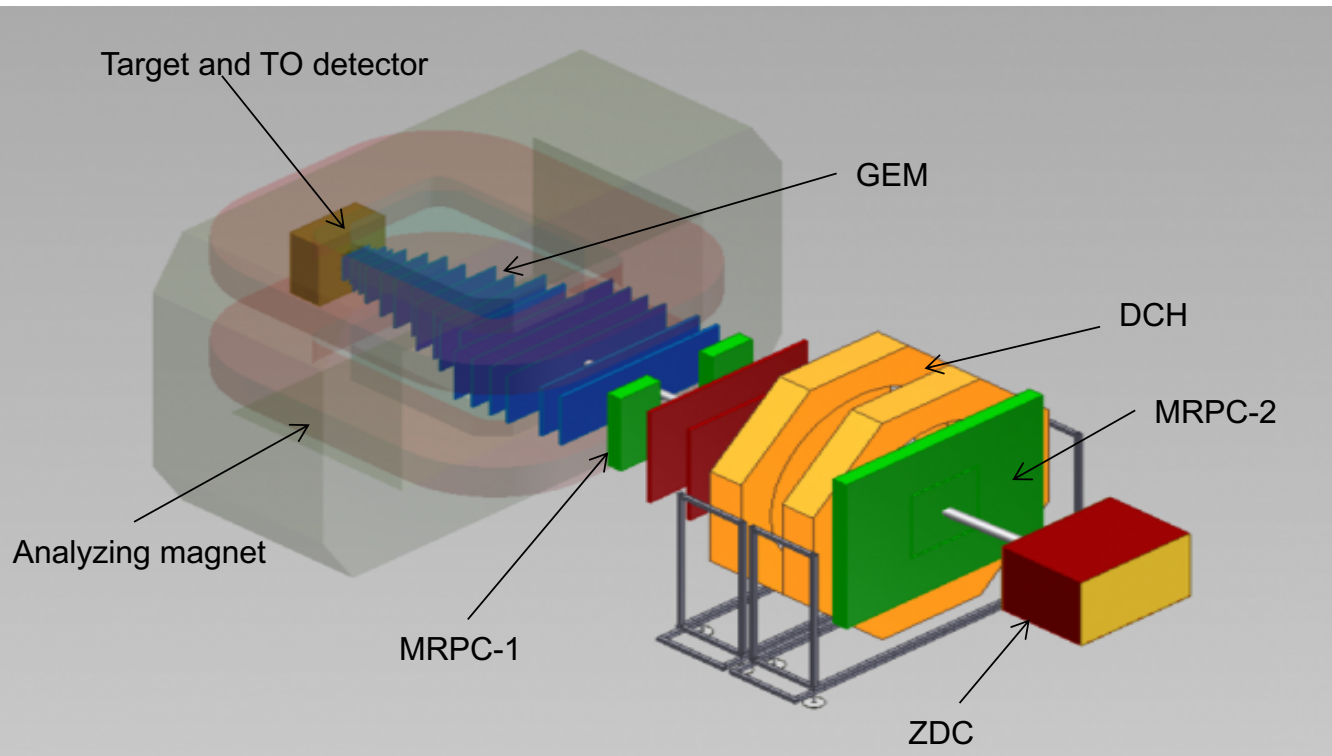
❑ **Maximal yield** predicted for  $\sqrt{s}=4-5A$  GeV (stat. model) (interplay of  $\Lambda$  and light nuclei excitation function)

➔ **BM@N energy range is suited** for the search of hypernuclei





# BM@N setup

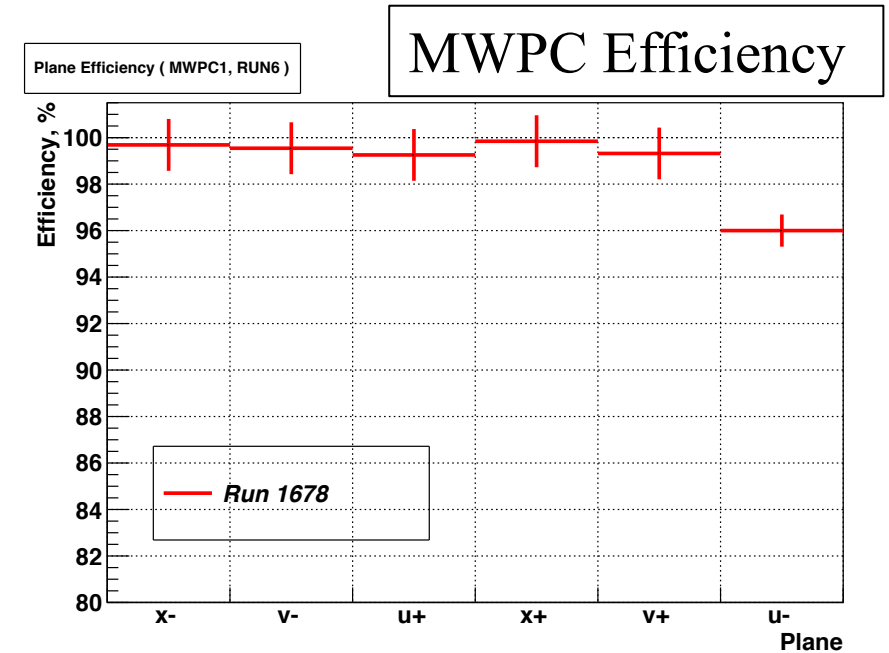
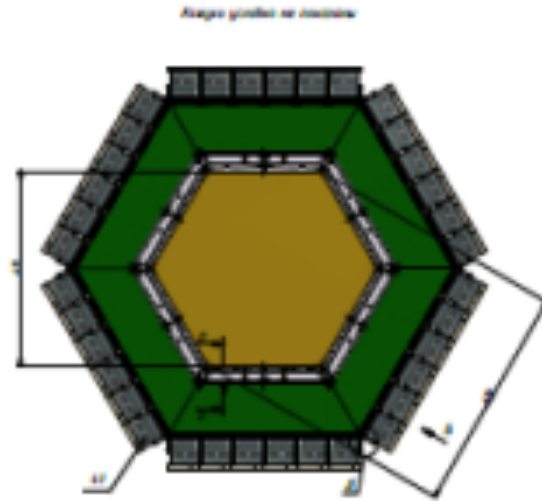


- Central tracker (GEM) inside analyzing magnet to reconstruct AA interactions
- Outer tracker (DCH, CPC) behind magnet to link central tracks to ToF detectors
- ToF system based on mRPC chambers and T0 detectors to identify hadrons and light nucleus
- ZDC calorimeter to measure centrality of AA collisions and form trigger
- Detectors to form T0, L1 centrality trigger and beam monitors
- Electromagnetic calorimeter for  $\gamma, e+e-$
- MWPC chambers were used as beam trajectory detectors

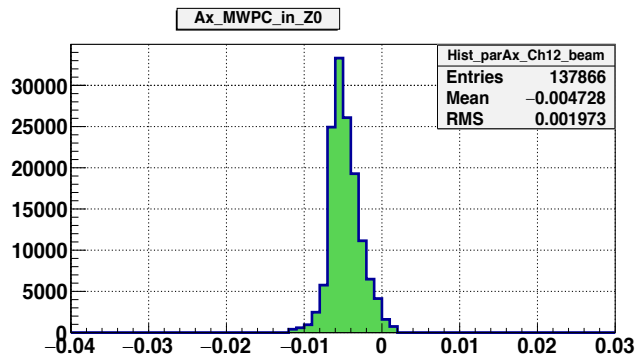
# Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber(MWPC)

In the last experiment (RUN5, RUN6), two chambers were placed on the beam

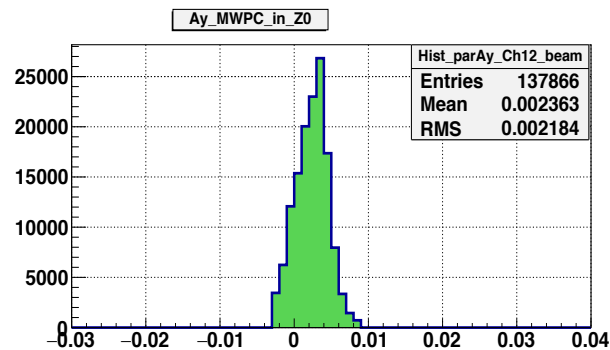
- 6 planes in each chamber :  
two X, two U and two V-planes.
- 3 double coordinate planes
- wire angles  $0^\circ, \pm 60^\circ$
- wire pitch  $d = 2.5$  mm
- Resolution  $d/\sqrt{12} = 0.72$  mm
- 576 wires per chamber



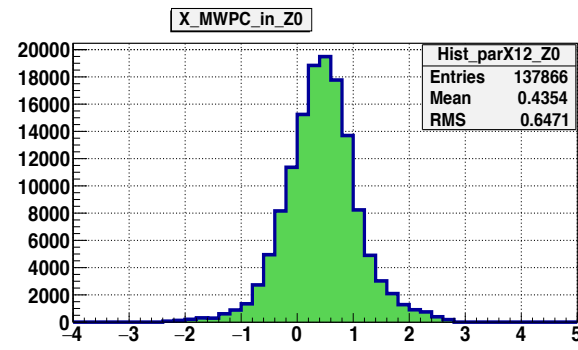
$\alpha_{in}$



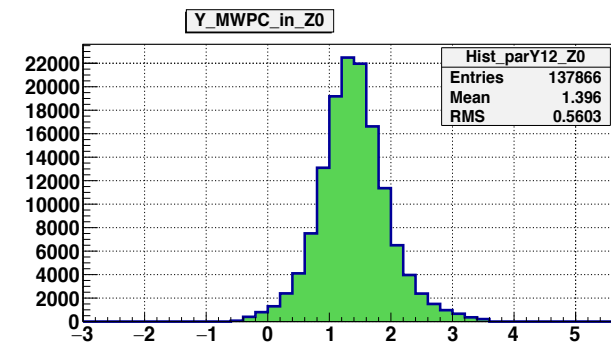
$\alpha_x$



$\alpha_y$



X



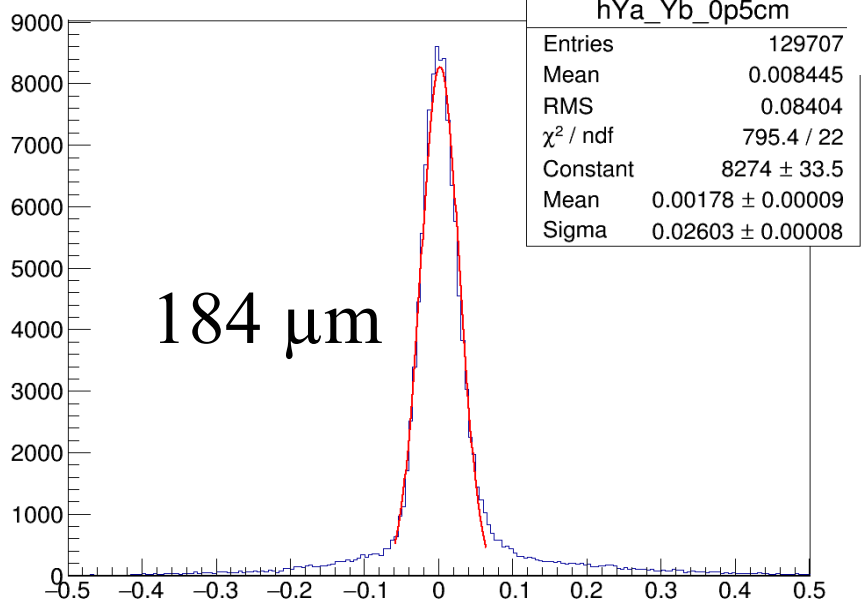
Y

# Drift Chamber (DCH)

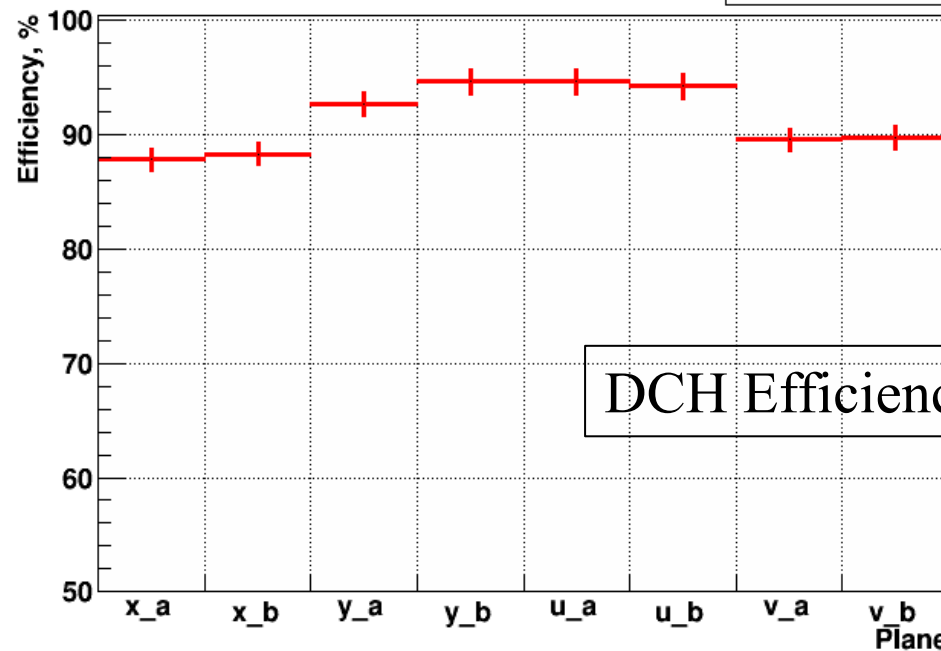
The detectors were brought from NA48 experiment:

- 4 double coordinate planes
- wire angles  $0^\circ, 90^\circ, \pm 45^\circ$
- wire pitch 10 mm
- $Y_{out} \pm 1.35$  m,  $X_{out} \pm 1.35$  m
- $R_{hole} = 10$  cm
- 2048 wires per chamber

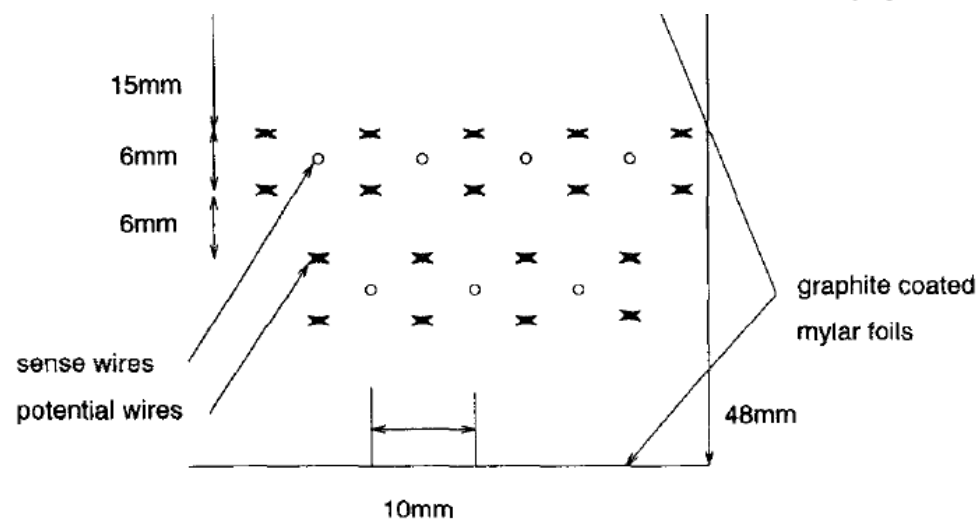
DCH Resolution



efficiency DC1



DCH Efficiency

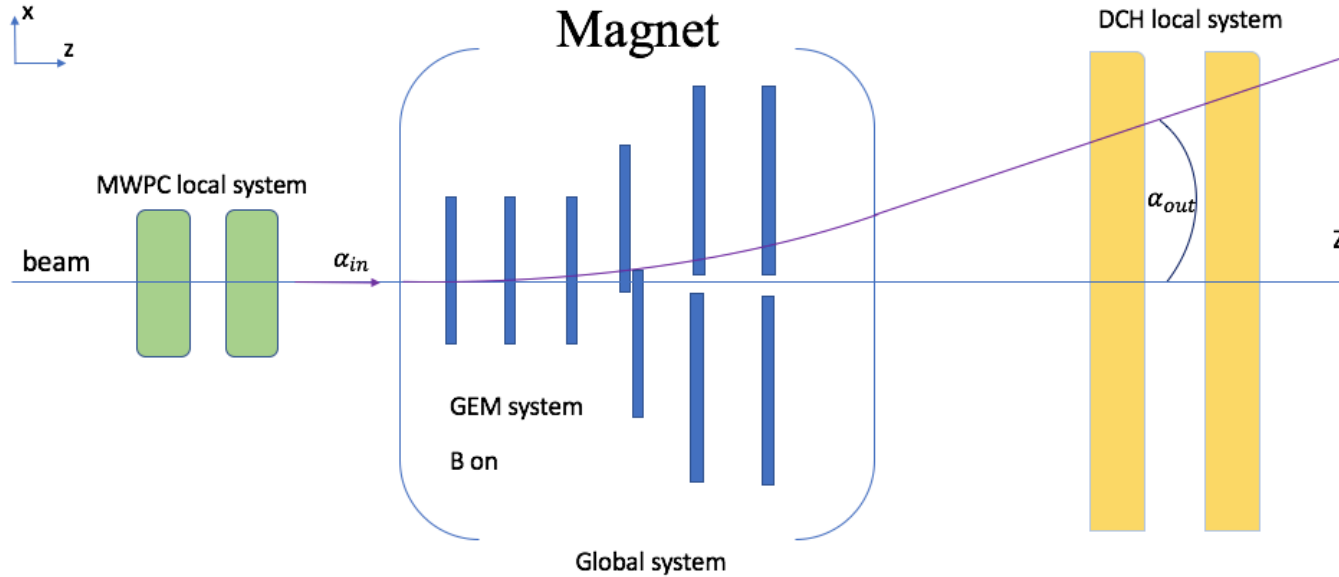


Schematic representation of one DC plane

# Beam momentum estimation

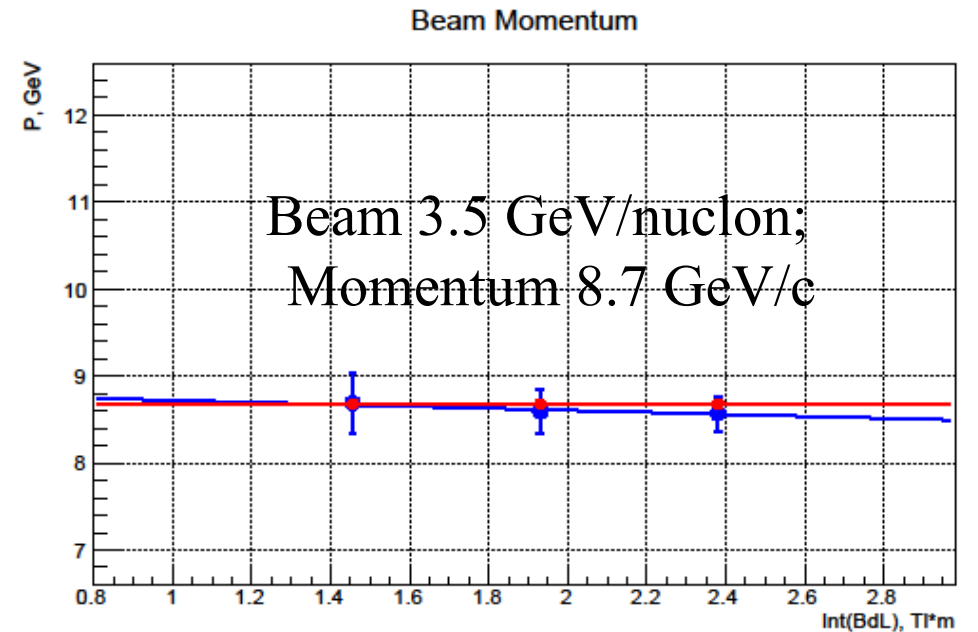
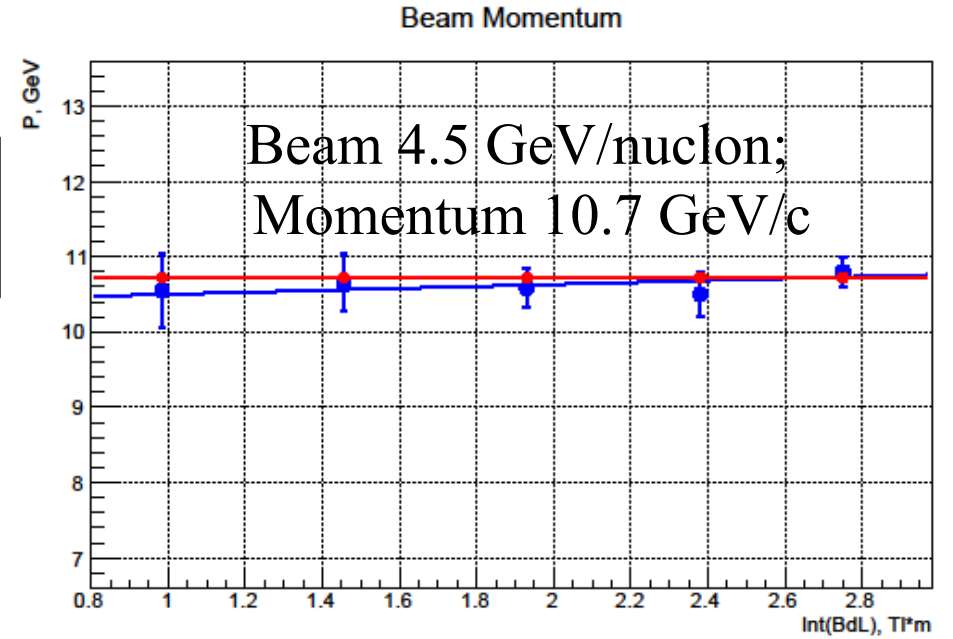
$\alpha_{in}$  - angle of beam before magnet;  
 $\alpha_{out}$  - angles of beam after magnet;  
 $\int Bdl$  - magnet field integral [T\*m].

$$P_{beam} = \frac{0.3 * \int Bdl}{\sin(\alpha_{out} - \alpha_{in})}$$



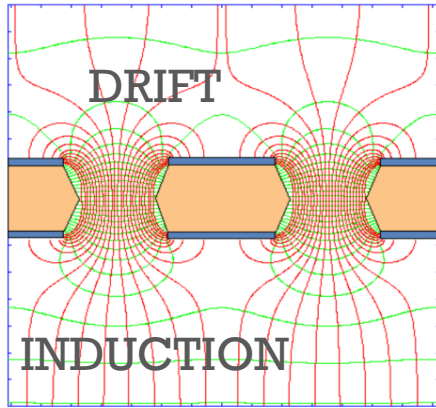
$$P_{beam} = \frac{A}{Z} * \sqrt{(E/n + M_p)^2 - M_p^2}$$

A - mass number; Z - number of protons;  
 $E/n$  - beam energy per nucleon;  $M_p$  - proton mass.

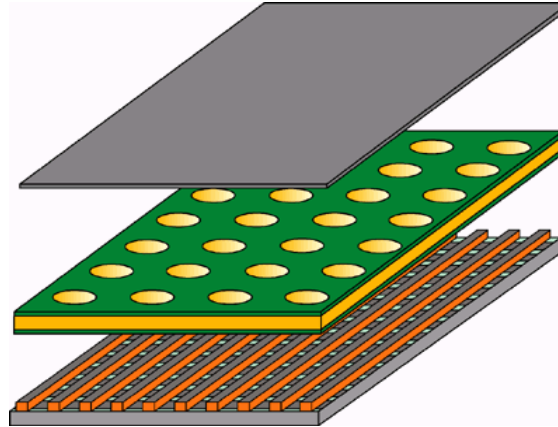




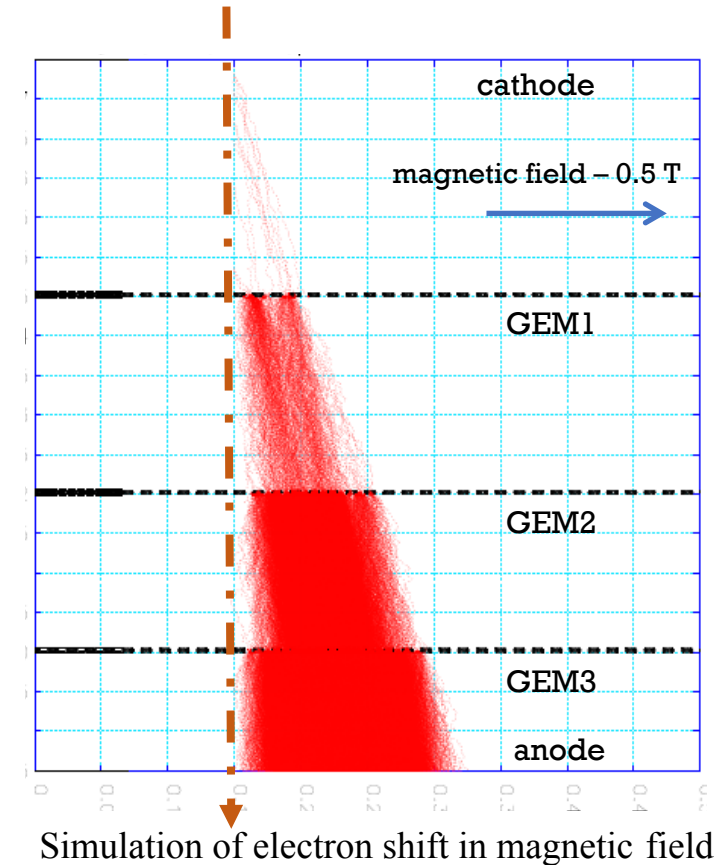
# The Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM)



Electric field in the region of the holes of a GEM electrode



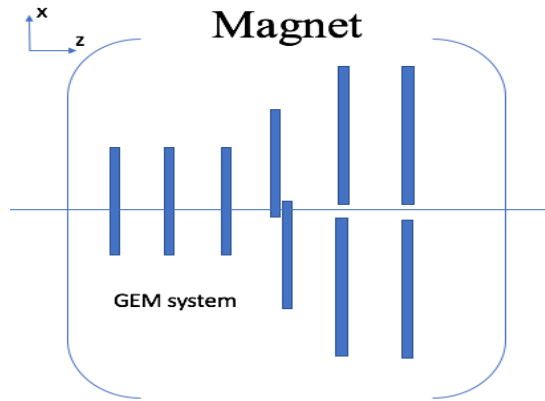
Schematics of single GEM detector with Cartesian two-dimensional strip readout.



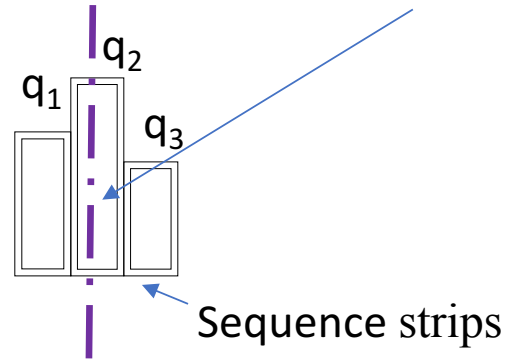
The basic requirements for the tracking system are:

- capability of stable operation in conditions of high radiation loadings up to  $10^5$  Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>;
- maximum possible geometrical acceptance within the BM@N experiment dimensions;
- good timing (5-10ns) and spatial resolution (100 -150 microns).

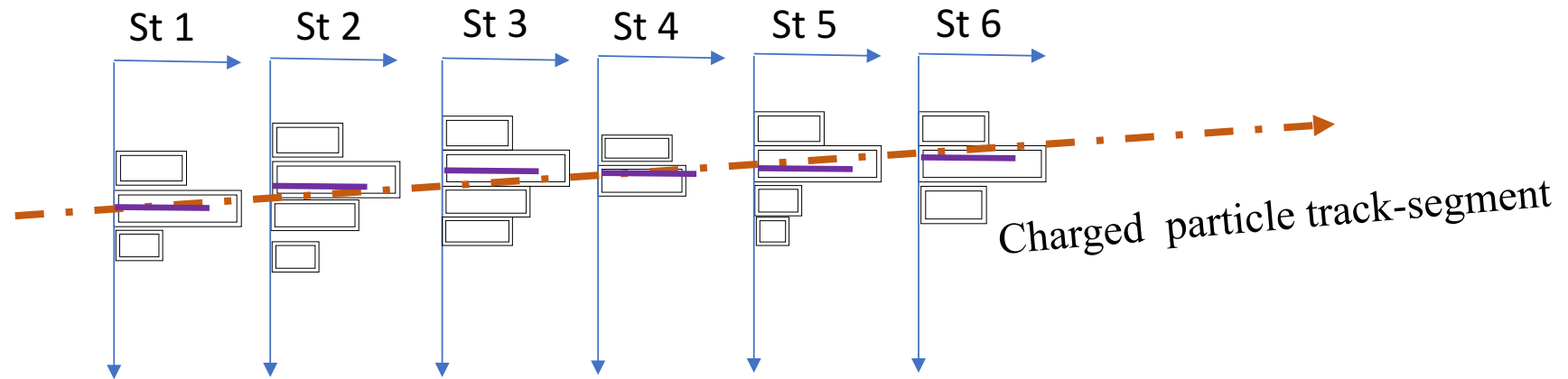
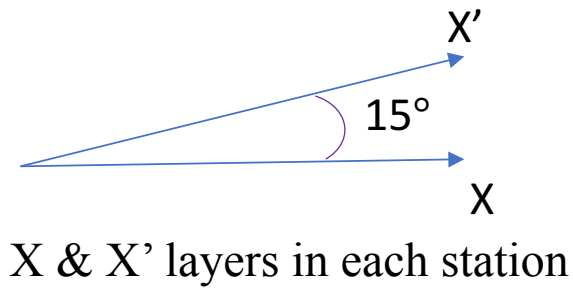
# Track-segment building algorithm (Mag.field off)



In each fired strip charge from electron avalanche is collected.



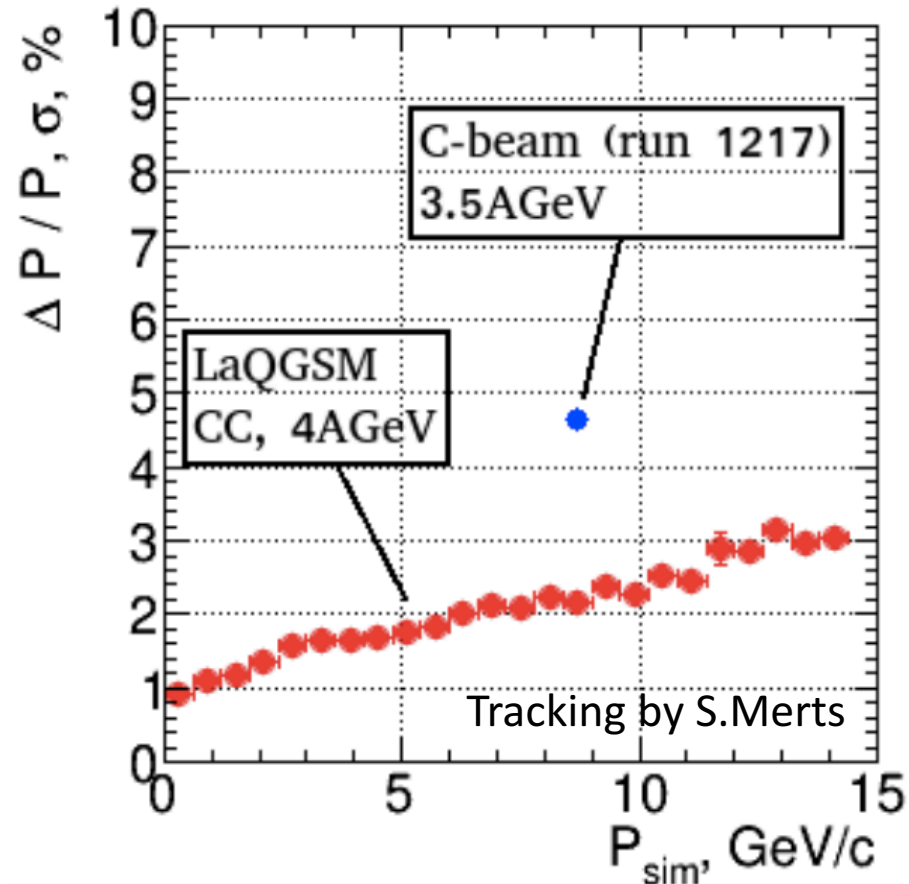
$$CoG_x = \frac{\sum q_i * x_i}{\sum q_i}$$



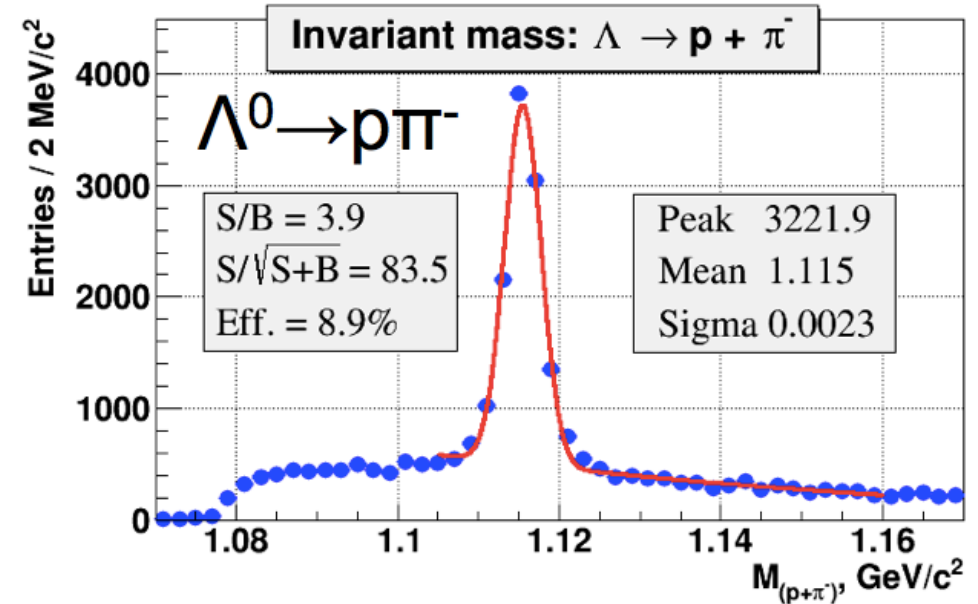
Collecting X & X' hits located around straight line we build spatial track-segments.

# Track-segment building (Mag.field on)

Momentum resolution Exp. vs. MC



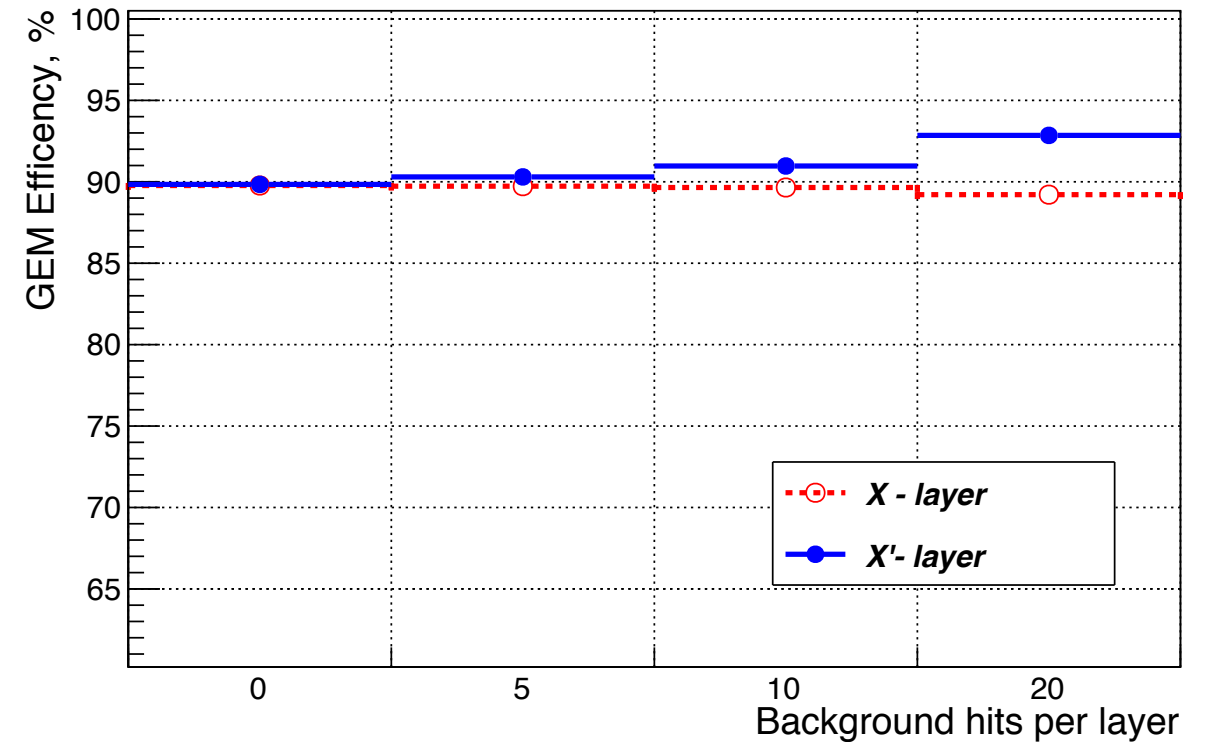
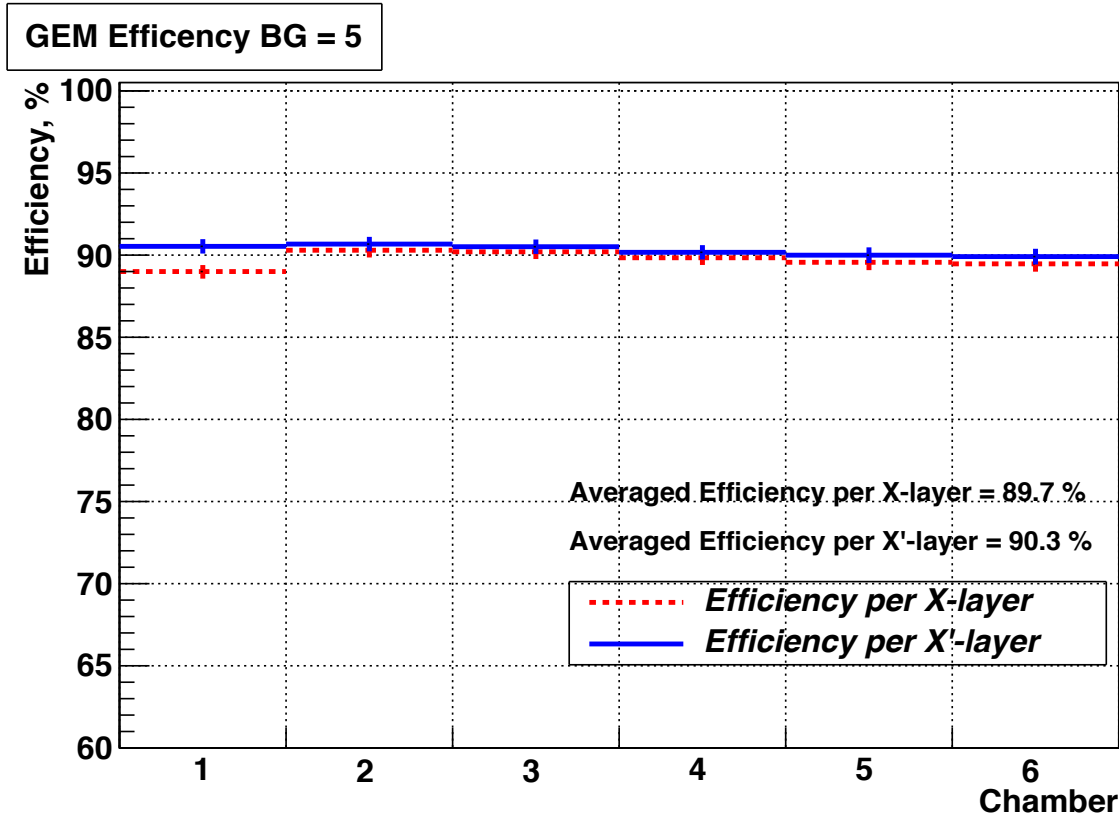
Au+Au, URQMD, 10k central events



➡ work is in progress

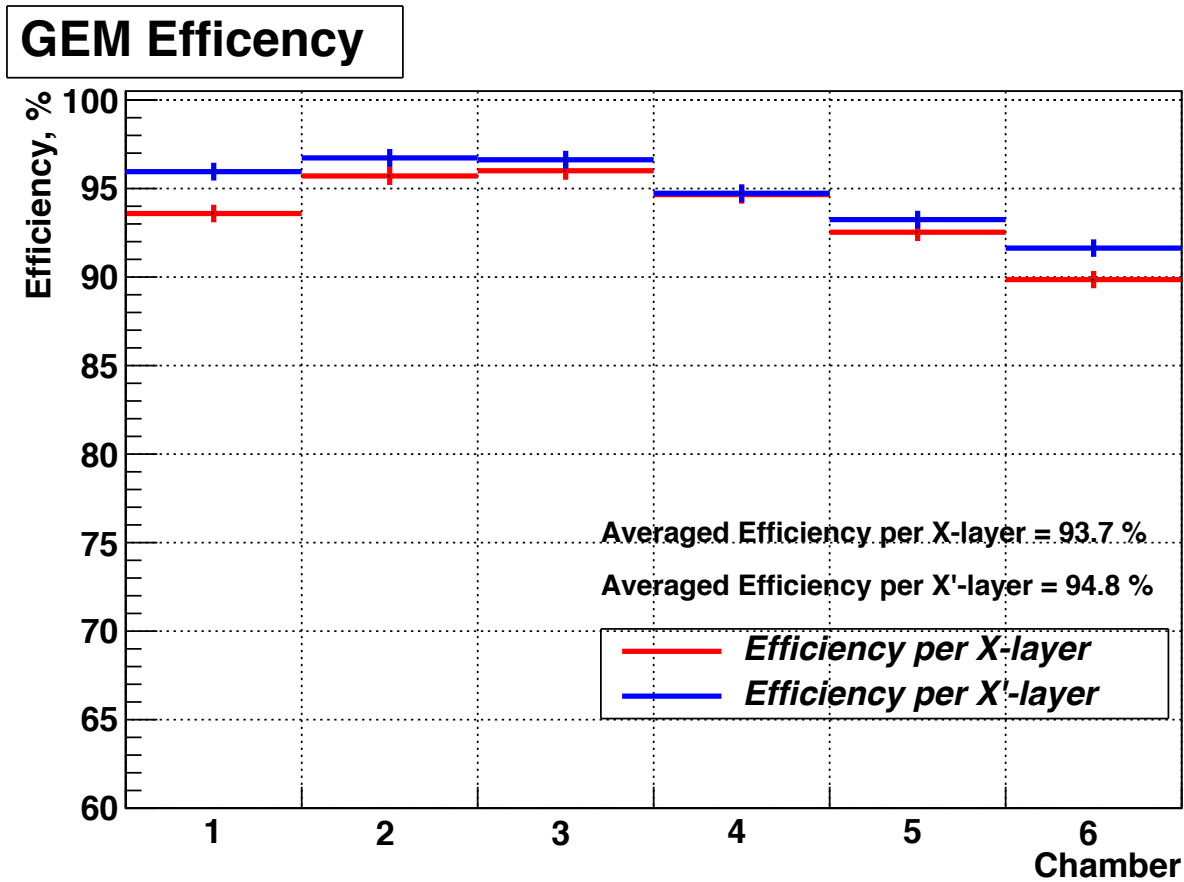
# Testing of efficiency calculation algorithm with MC

Established Efficiency per layer is 90%

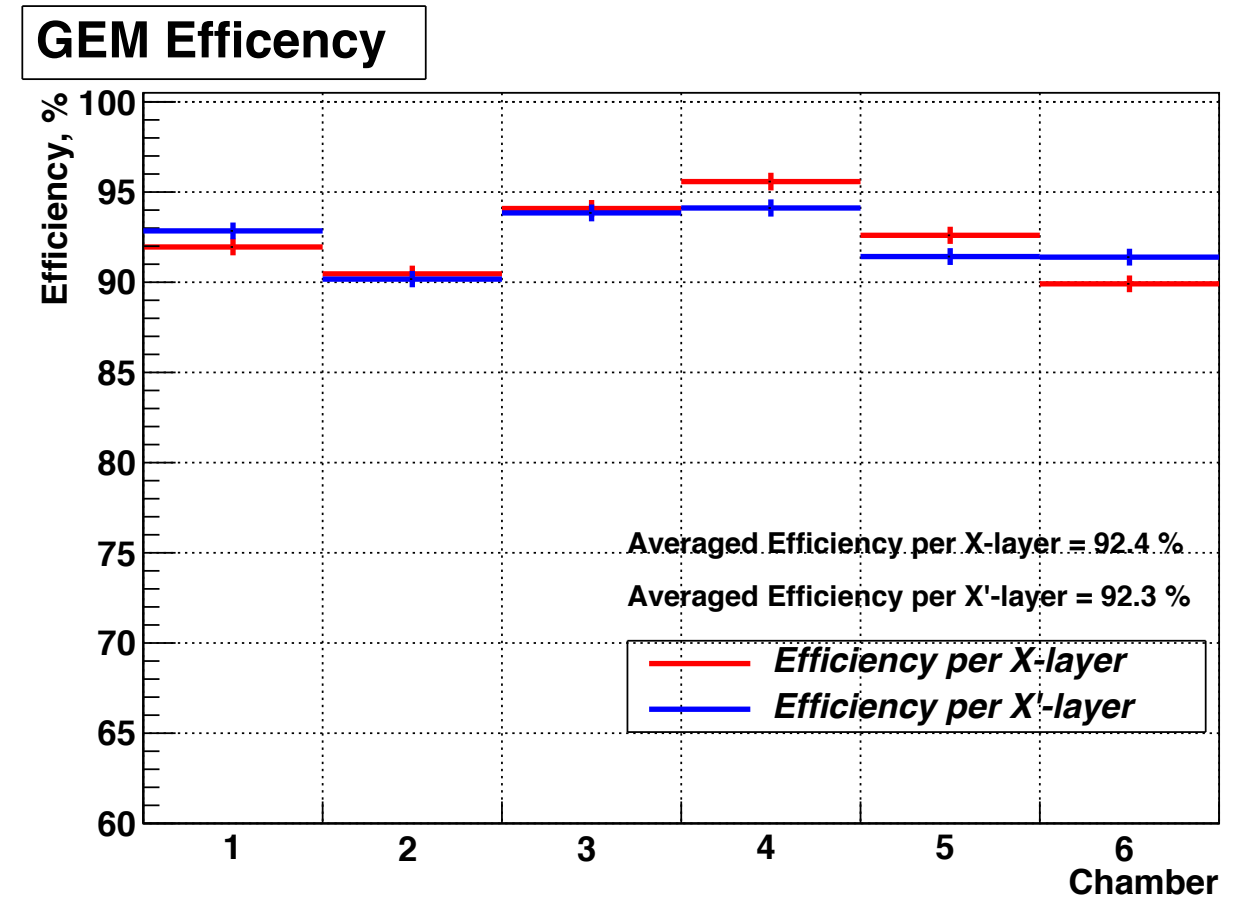


# GEM hit efficiency per layer with Nuclotron data

Ar + CO<sub>2</sub>



Ar + Isobutane



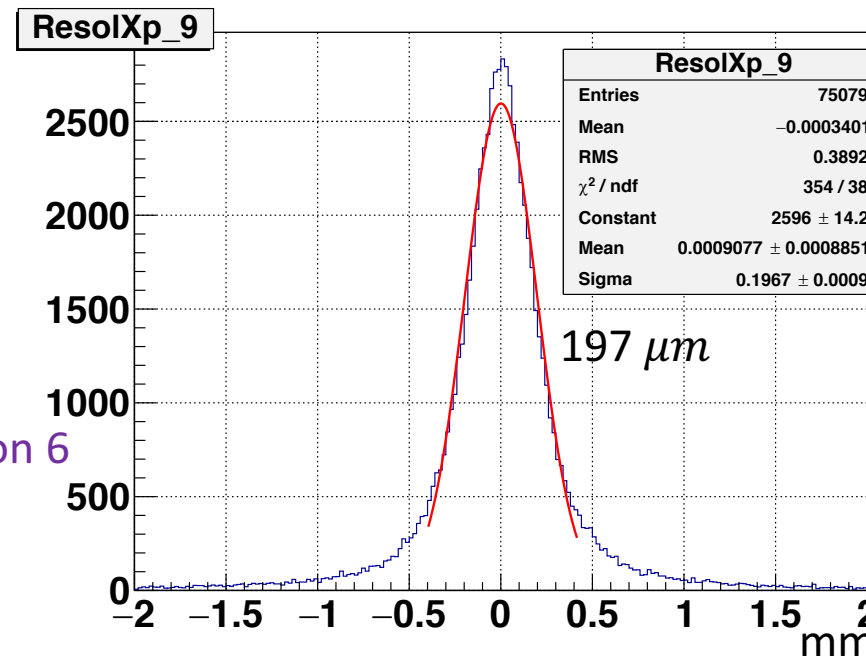
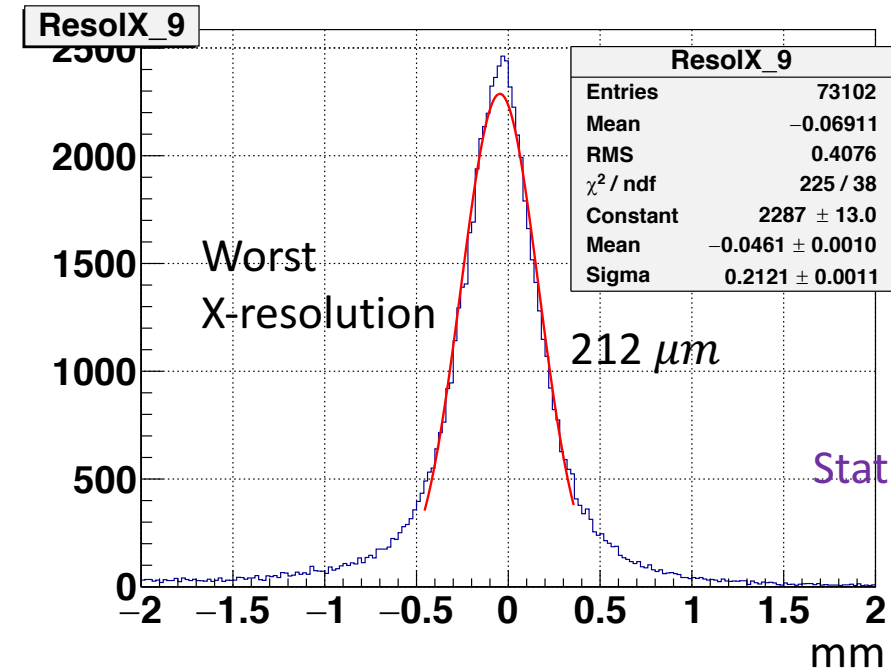
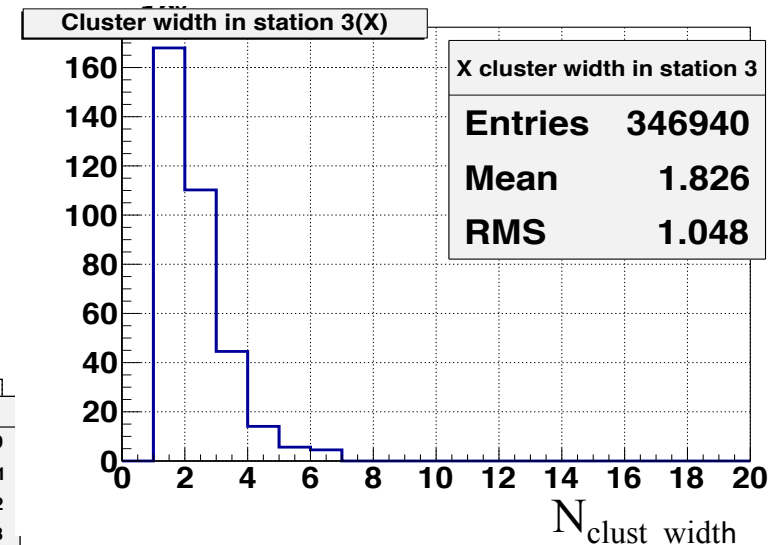
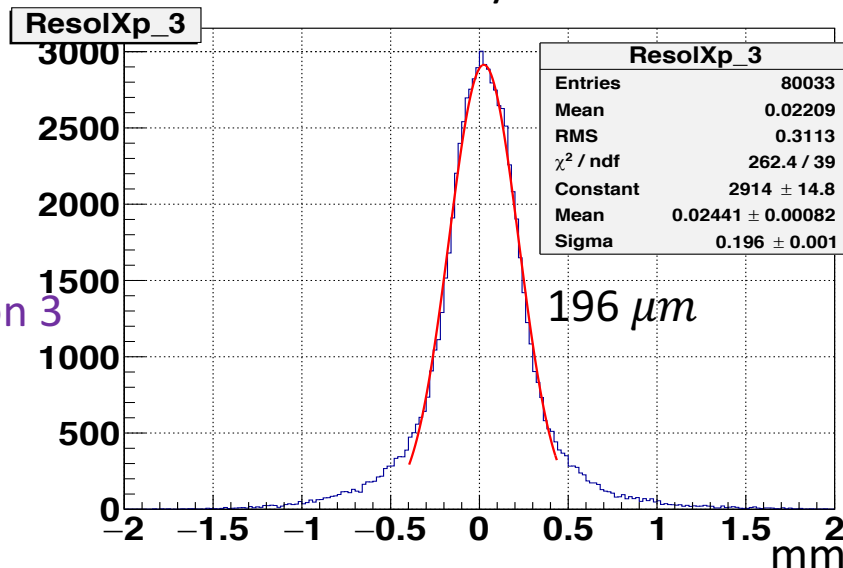
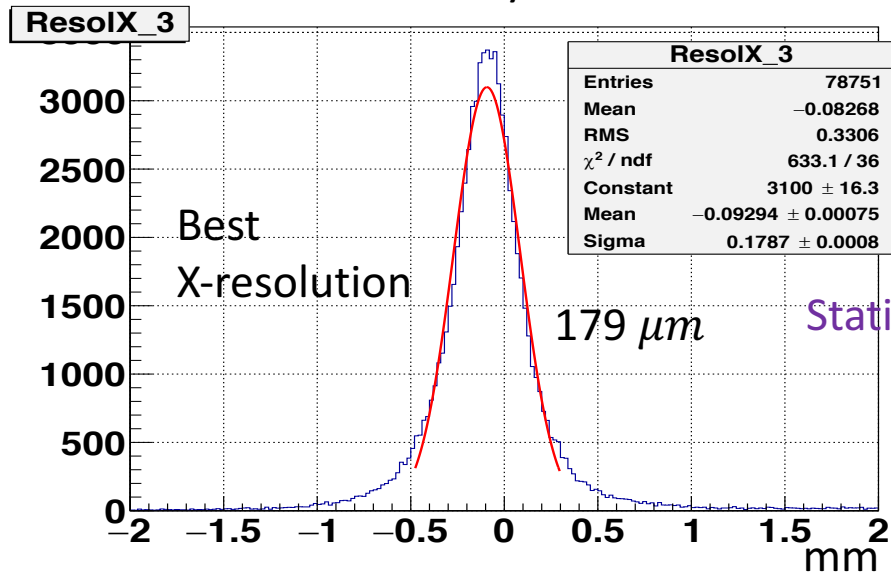
Difference between gas mixtures is not so essential 1-2 %



# Resolution for GEM with Ar + CO<sub>2</sub> (Run6)

X layers

X' layers



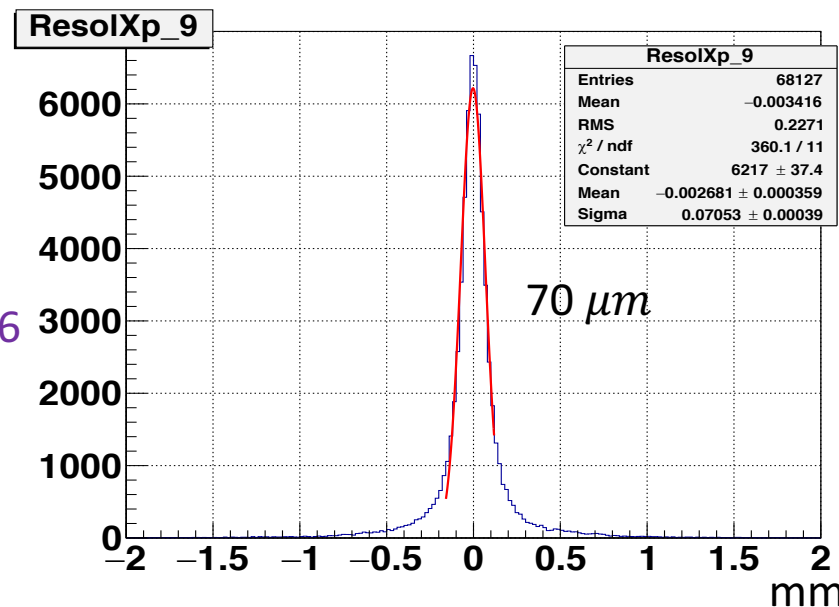
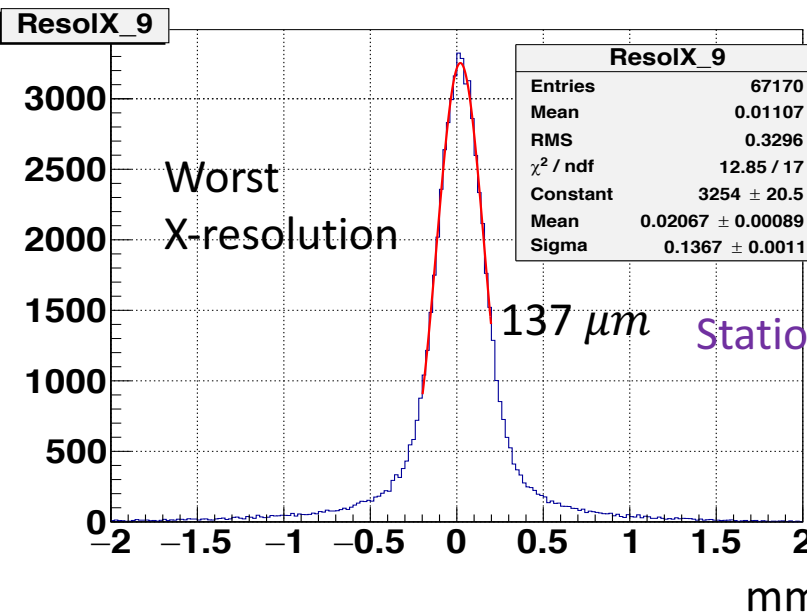
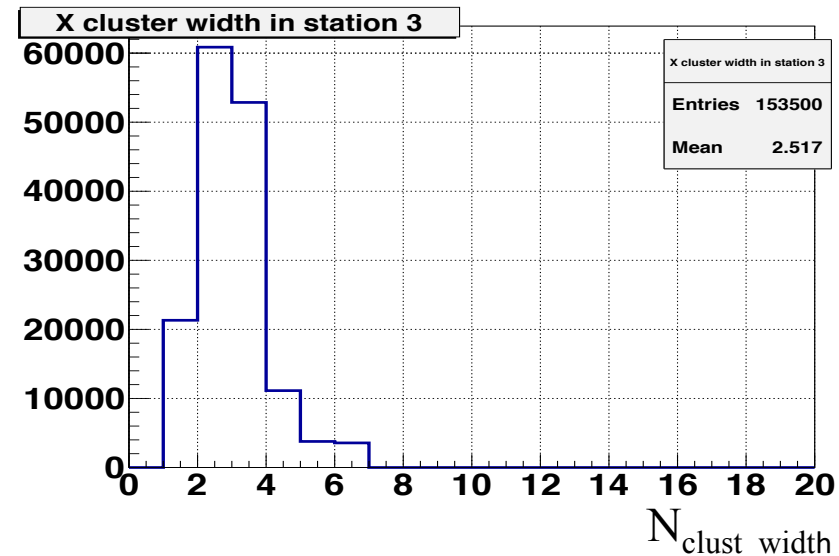
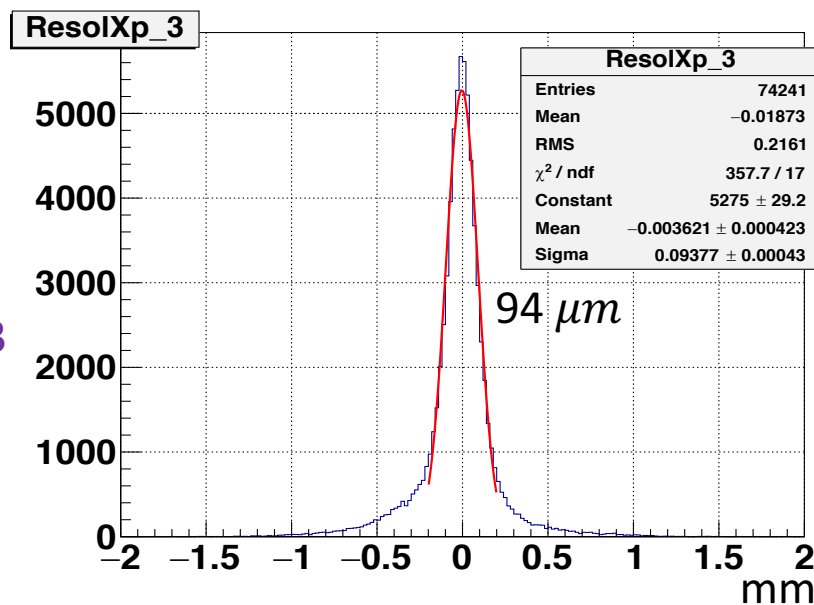
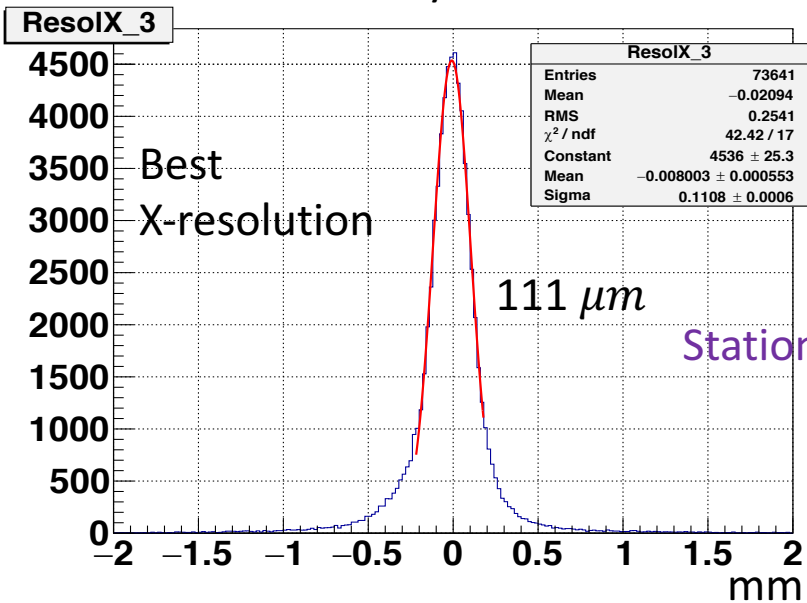
$$\frac{\Delta}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{800 \mu m}{\sqrt{12}} = 231 \mu m$$

$\Delta$  - GEM strip width

# Resolution for GEM with Ar + Isobutane (Run5)


X layers

X' layers



# Conclusions

1. General tracking includes external and internal detectors:

- by external(MWPC & DCH) detectors  $\frac{dP}{P}$  with maximum the magnetic field  $\approx 2\%$
- by internal(GEM) detectors  $\frac{dP}{P}$  with the magnetic field  $\approx 5\%$   work is in progress

2. GEM detector performance in BM@N experiment with Nuclotron data was received:

- Satisfied hit efficiency per layer 92-95%;
- Spatial resolution 180-200 microns with gas mixture Ar + CO<sub>2</sub>;
- Good spatial resolution 70-140 microns with gas mixture Ar + Isobutane.

Thank you for your attention!

Backup



# GEM Spatial Resolution & Hit Efficiency

Hit Efficiency per layer (from segments):

GEM hit efficiency per Layer is calculated for events where track-segments were reconstructed and defined as ratio:

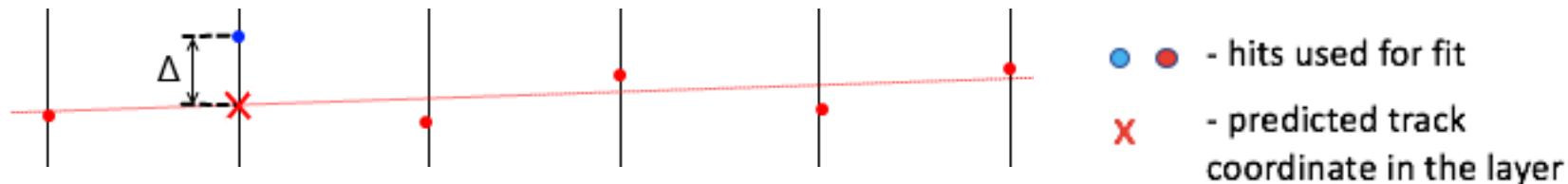
$$\frac{\text{(Number of the reconstructed hits in a Layer)}}{\text{(Number of track-segments)}}$$

Numerator	1	1	1	0	1	0
Segment	x	x	x	o	x	o
Demoninator	1	1	1	1	1	1

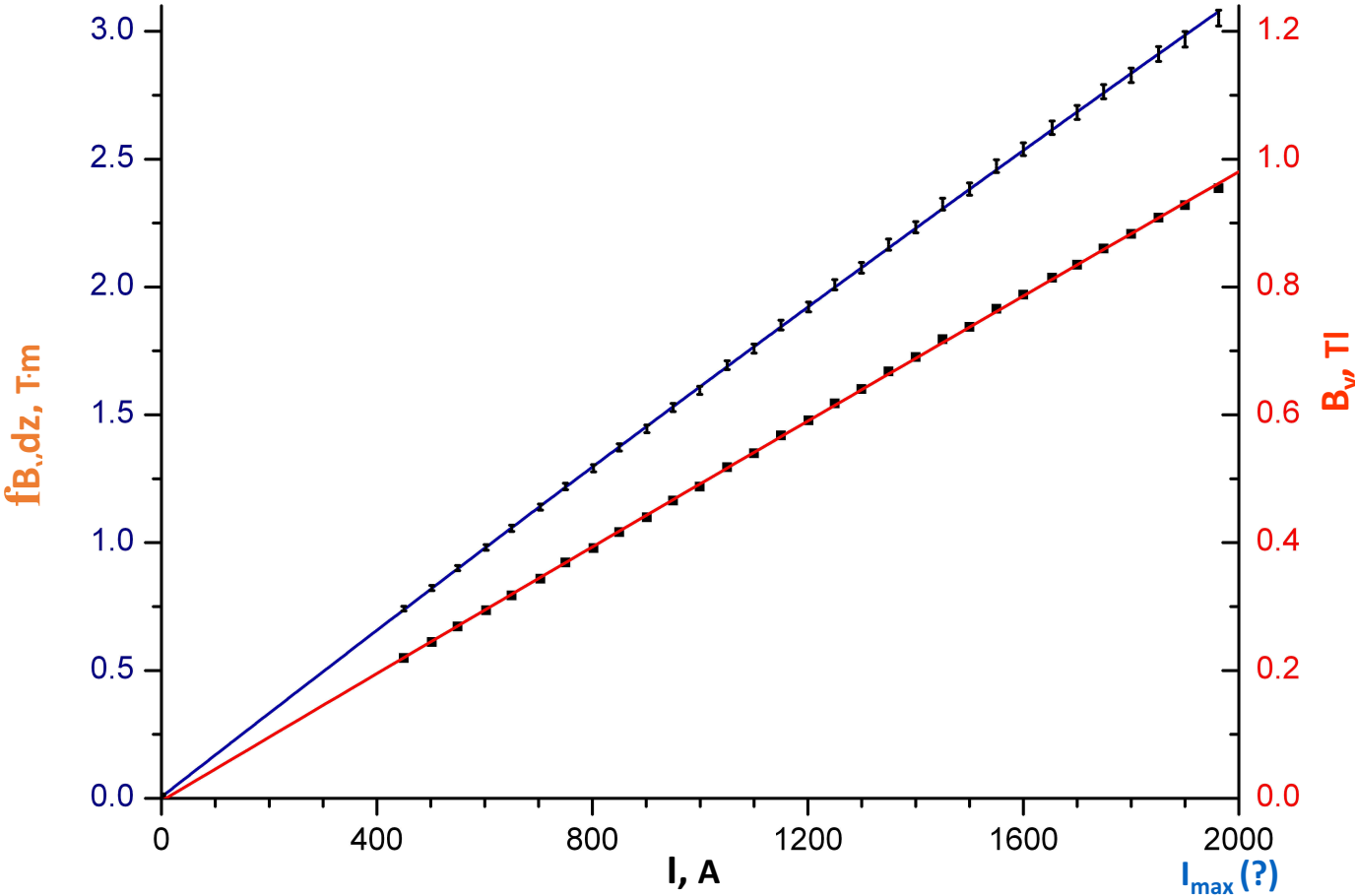
→ Hit Efficiency

Spatial resolution calculation:

Resolution in the current layer calculated from the residual ( $\Delta$ ) between the measured coordinate (hit) and the predicted track coordinate from straight line fit .



Dependence of the integral of the magnetic field of the magnet SP-41 on the current



- $\int B_y(z, I_{\max}) dz = 2.97 \text{ T}\cdot\text{m} \Rightarrow \varphi \cong 70 \text{ мр при } p/z = 13 \text{ ГэВ/с}$
- $B_y(0, I_{\max}) = 0.93 \text{ T}$