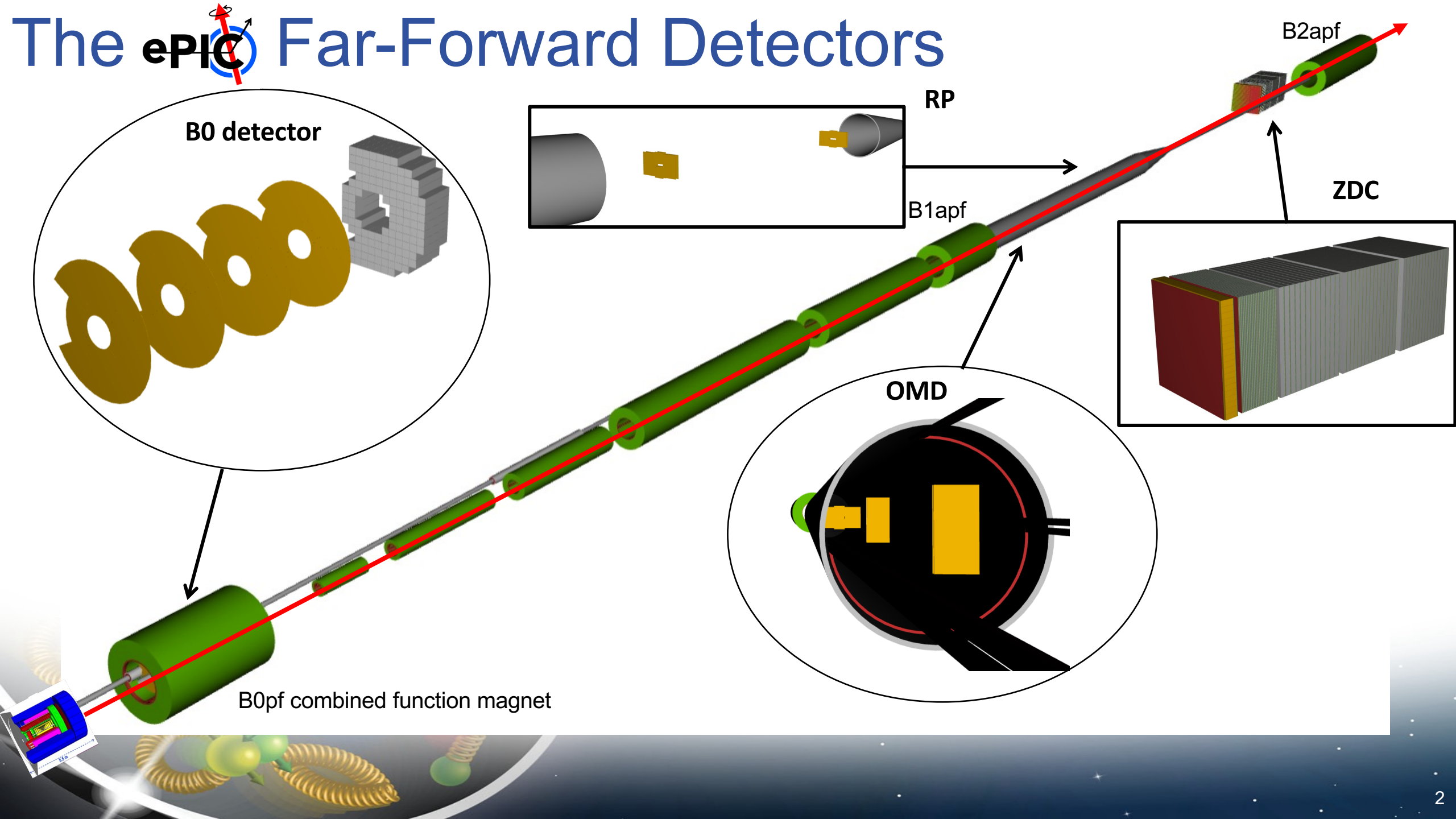




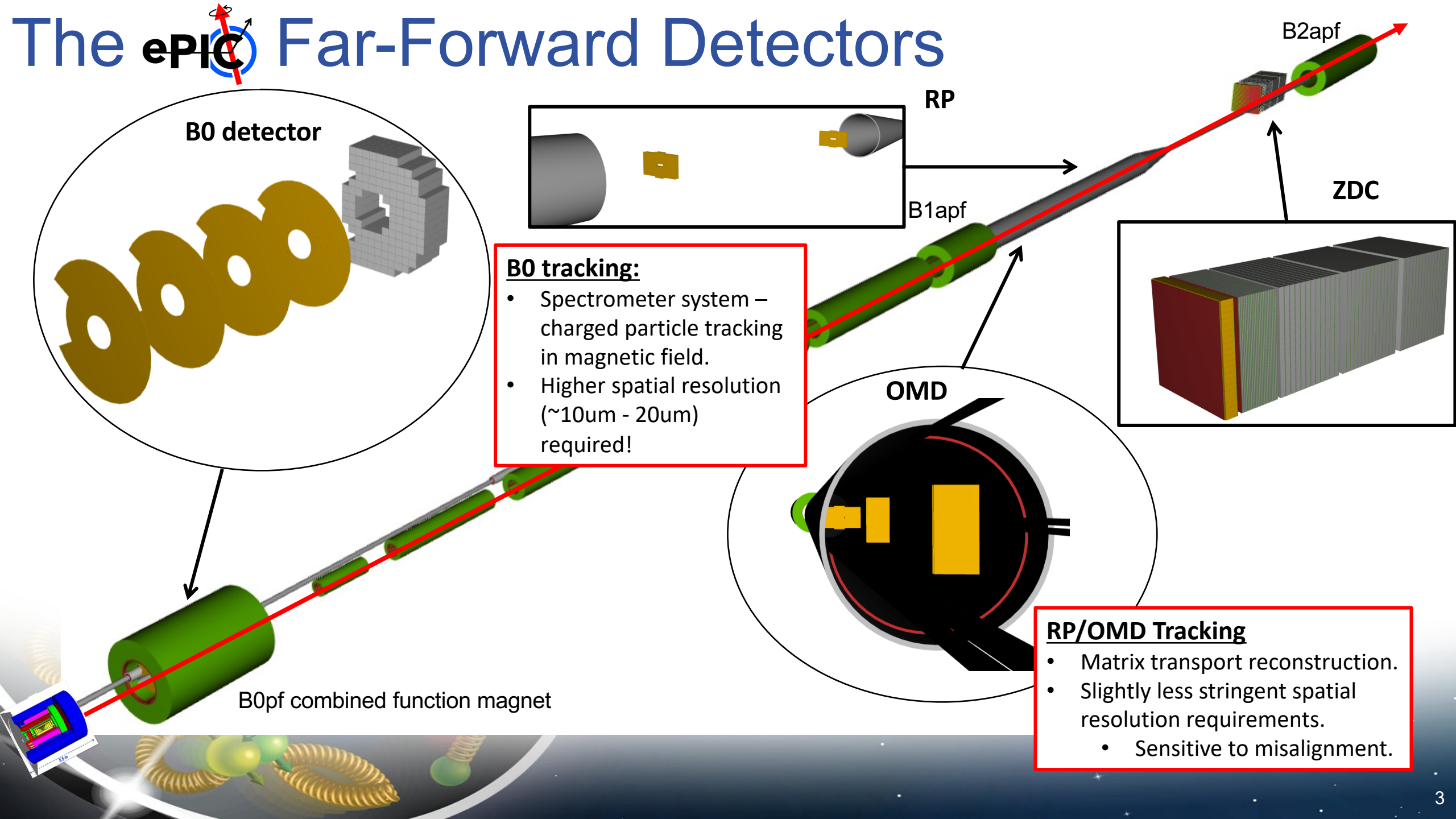
AC-LGAD for the Far-Forward Detectors at the EIC

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B0 detector

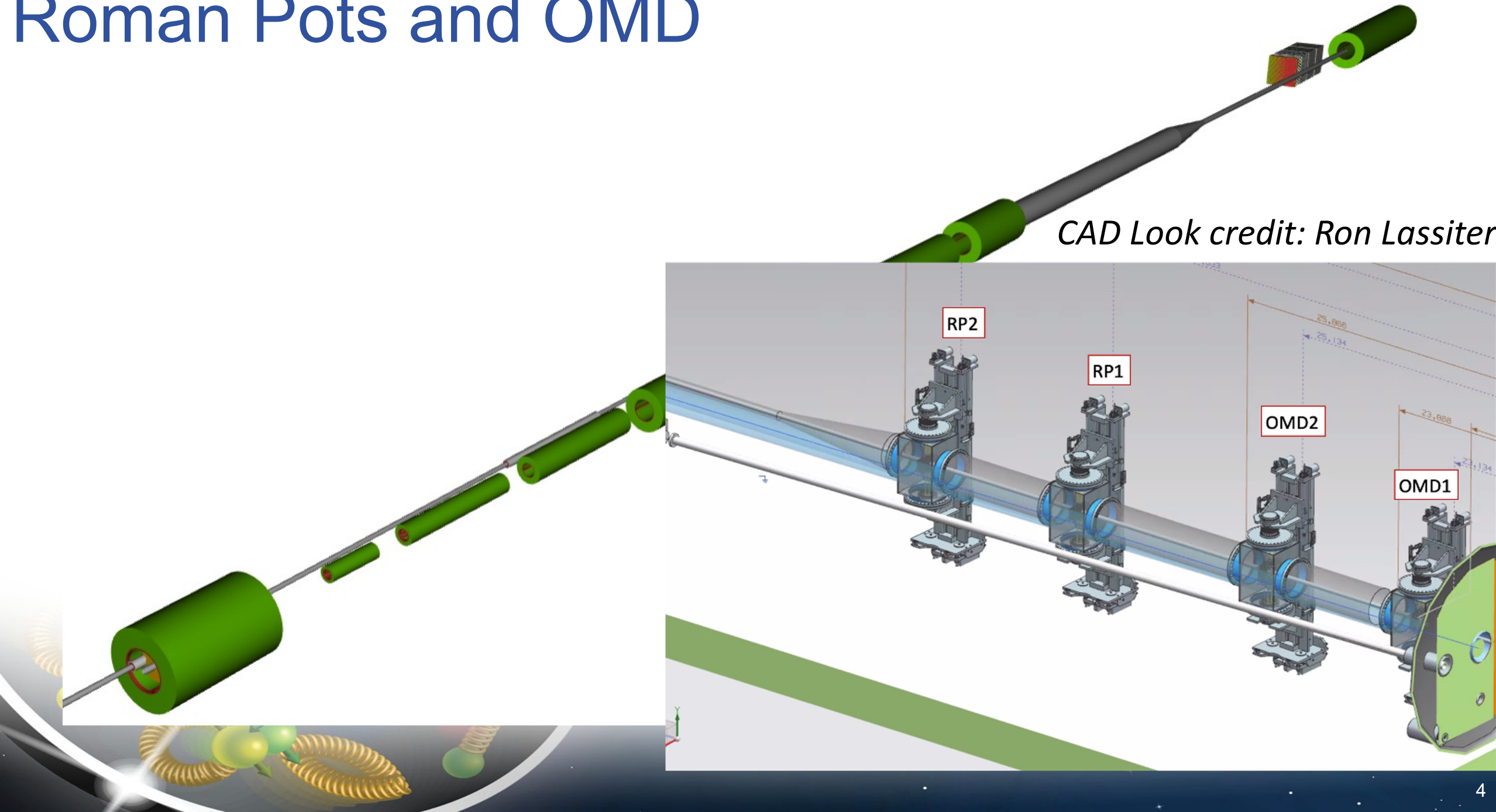
B0 tracking:

- Spectrometer system – charged particle tracking in magnetic field.
- Higher spatial resolution (~10um - 20um) required!

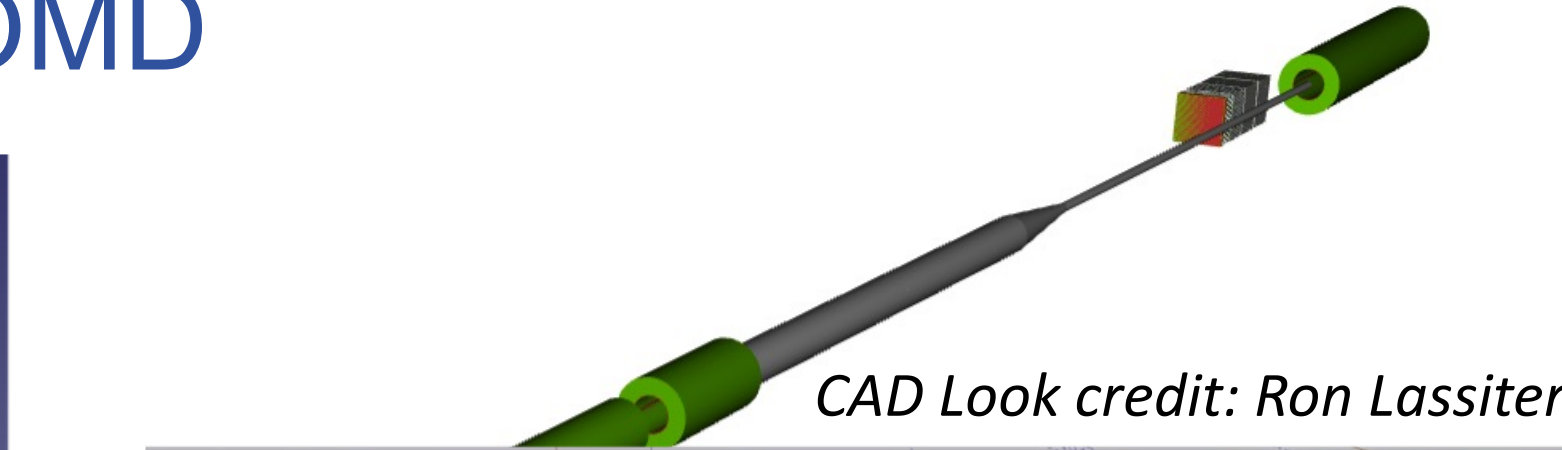
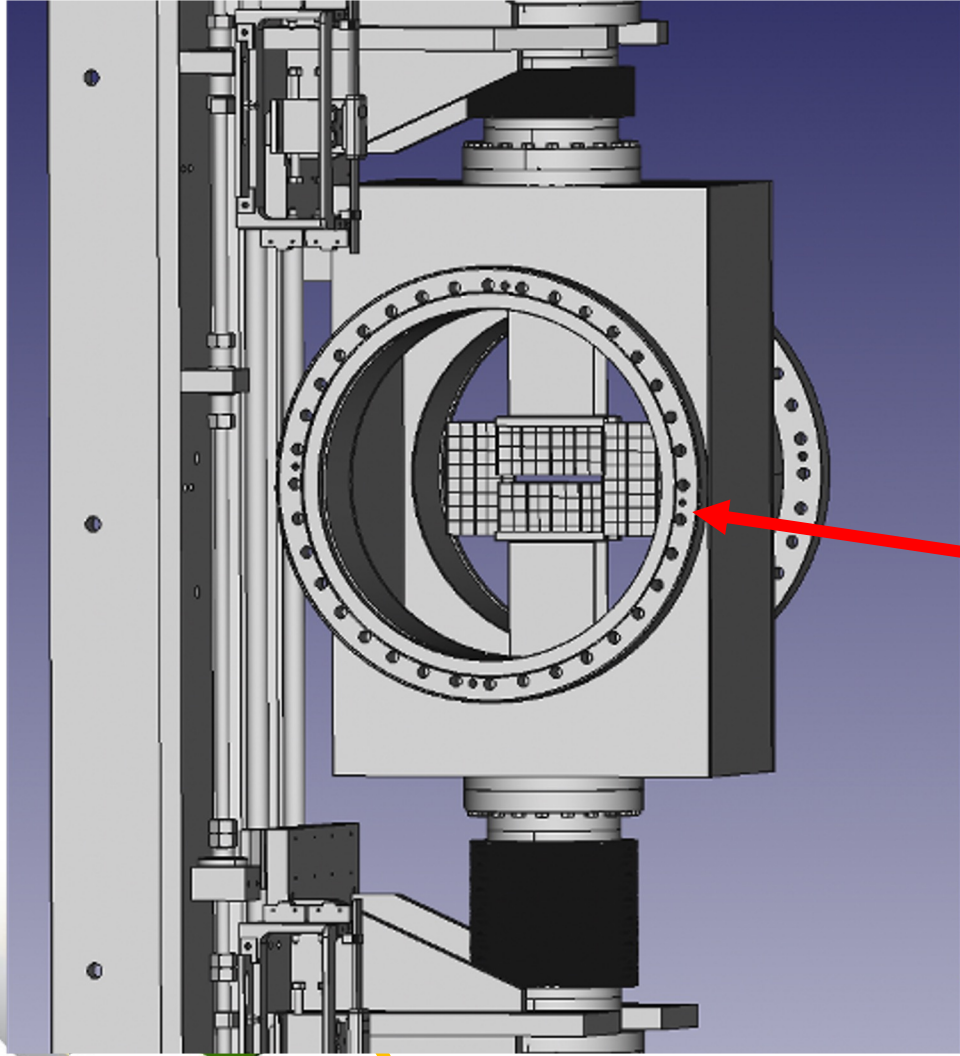
RP/OMD Tracking

- Matrix transport reconstruction.
- Slightly less stringent spatial resolution requirements.
 - Sensitive to misalignment.

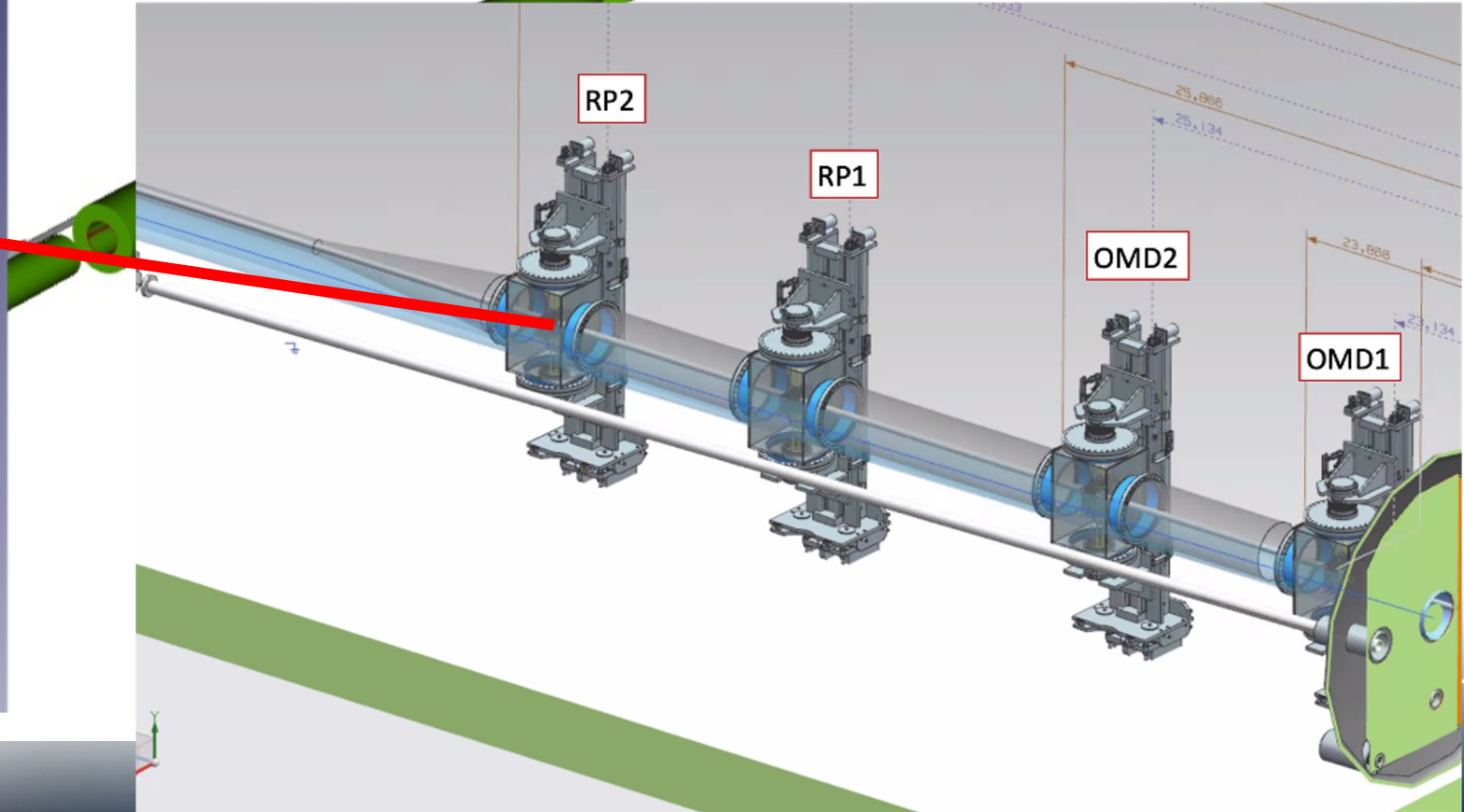
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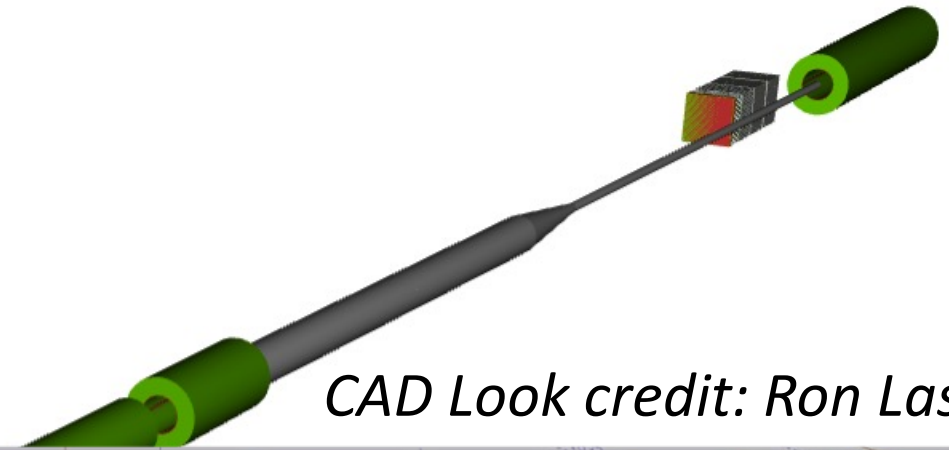
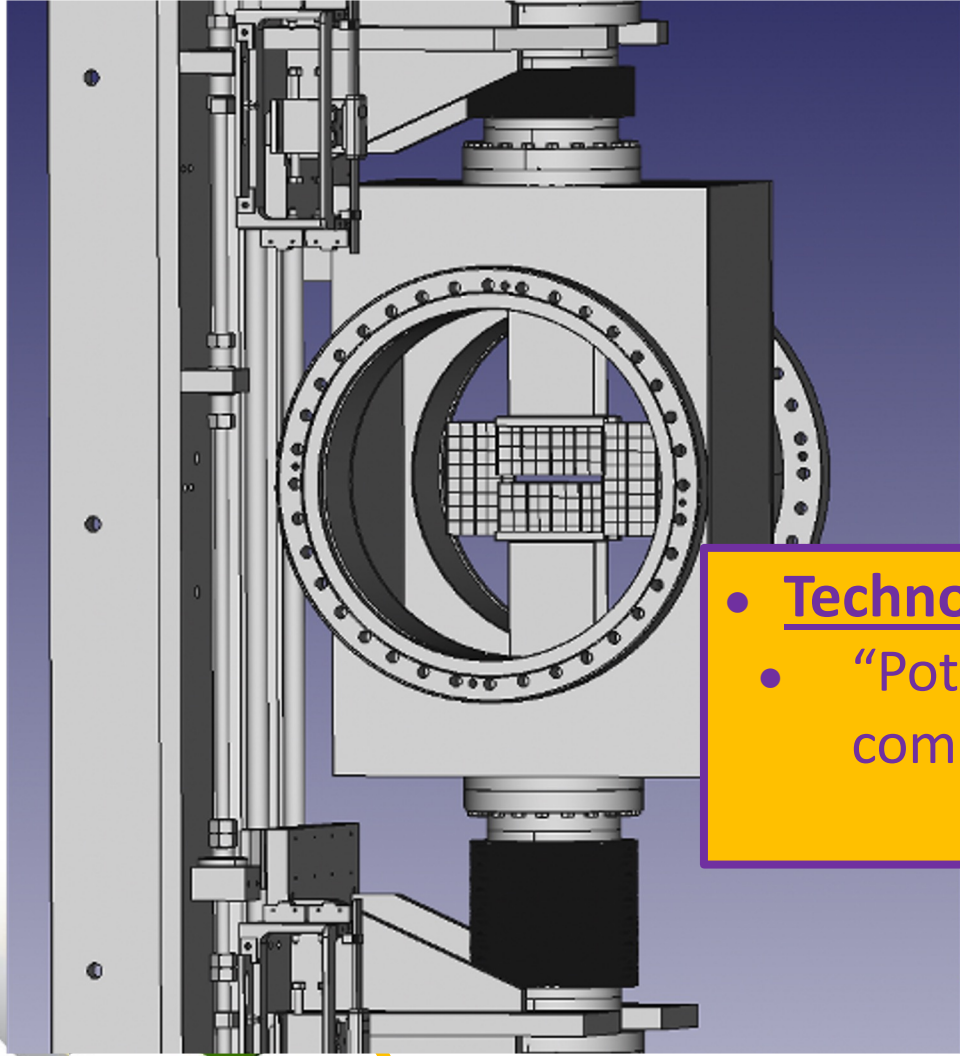
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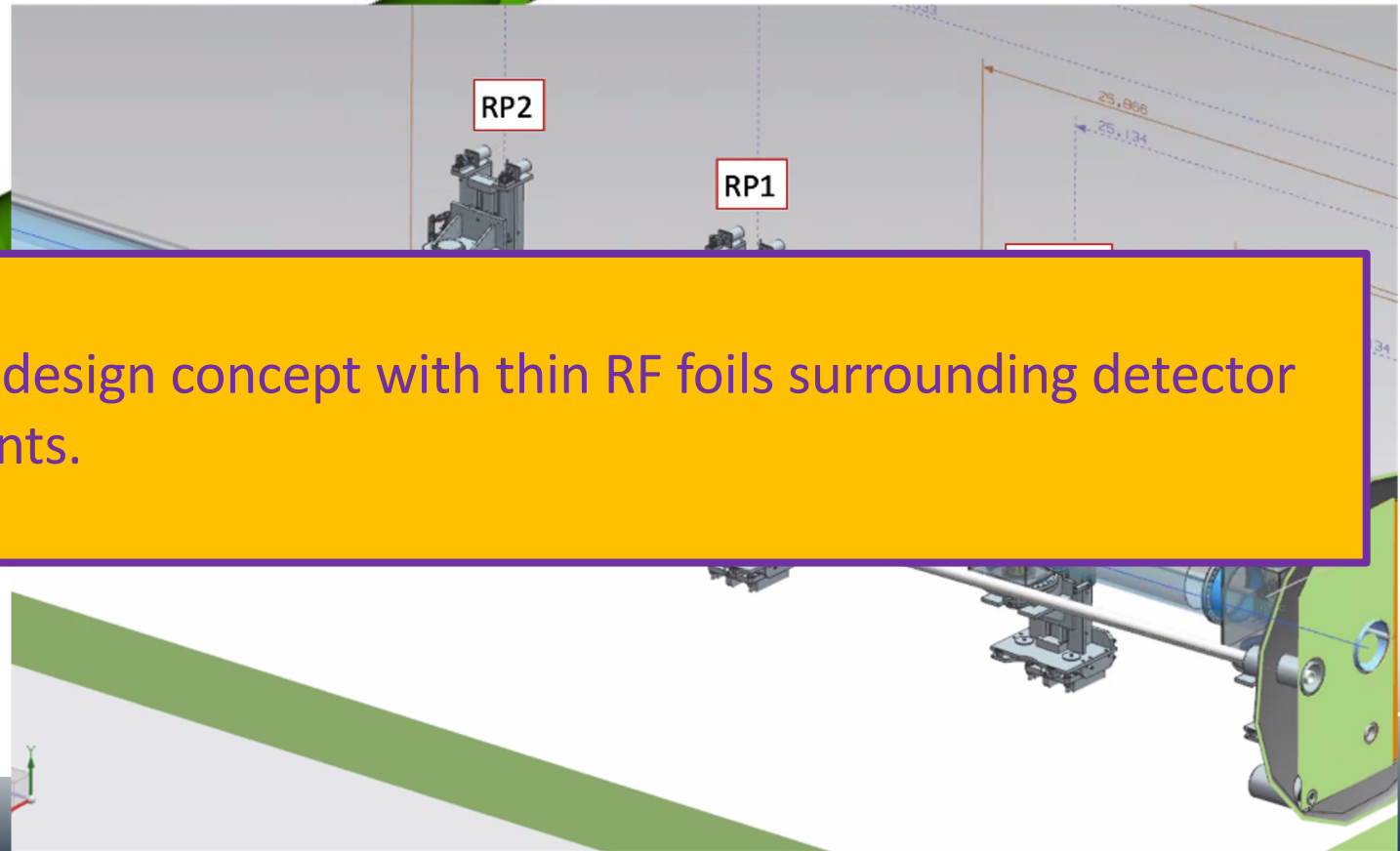
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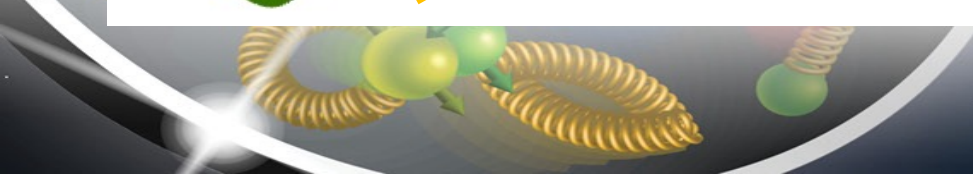
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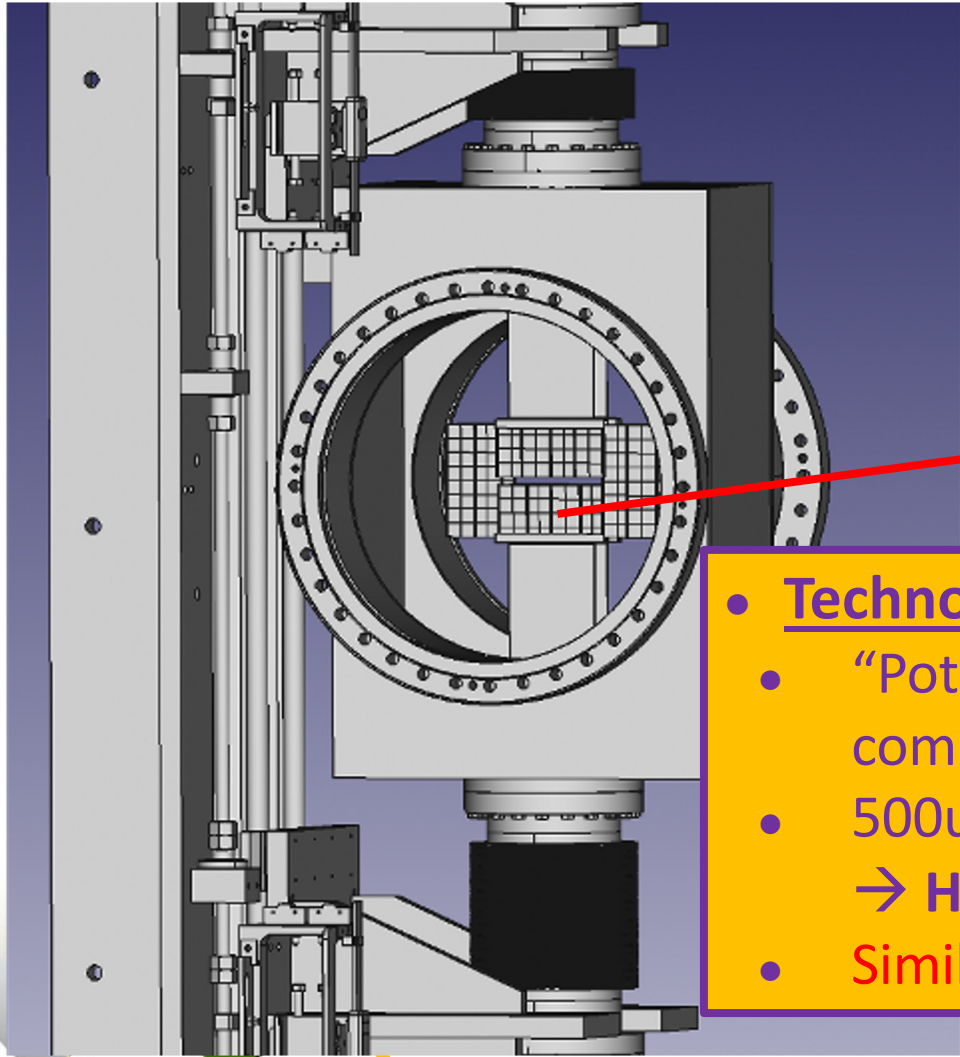
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Roman Pots and OMD



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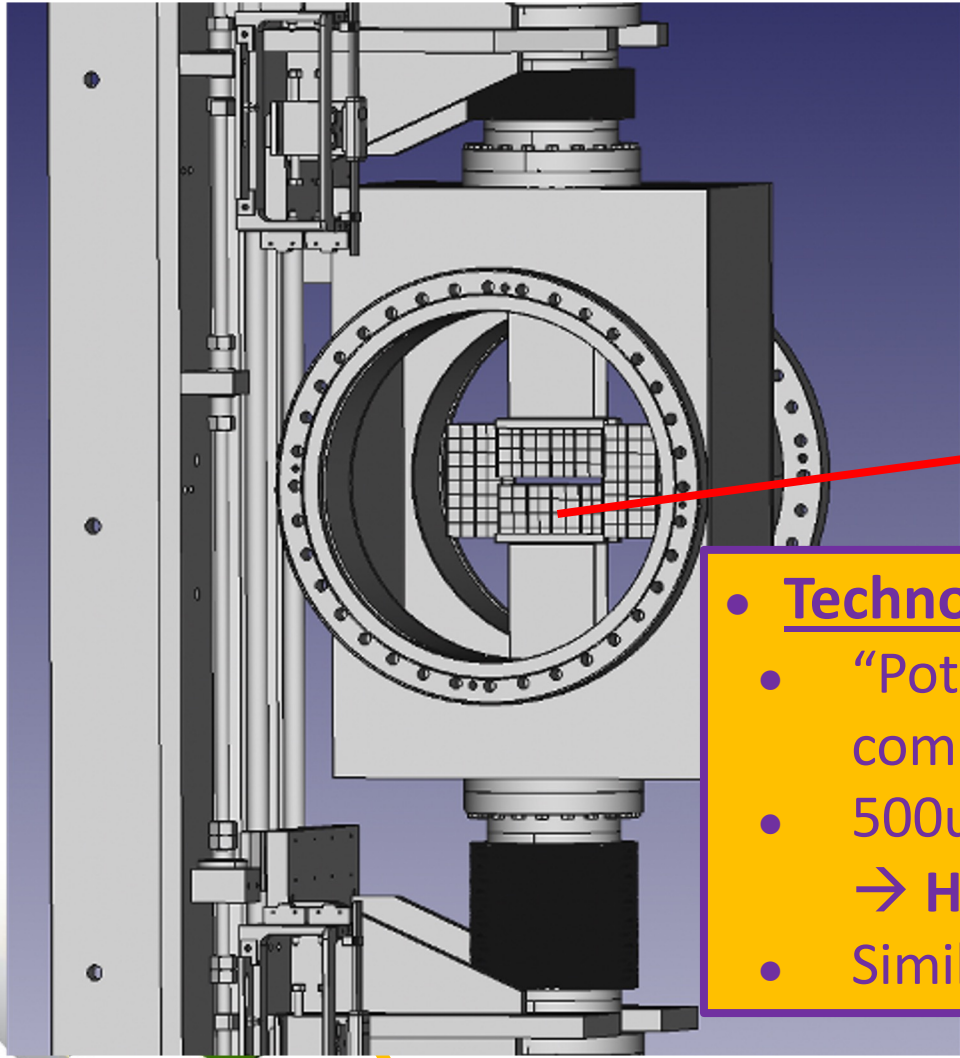


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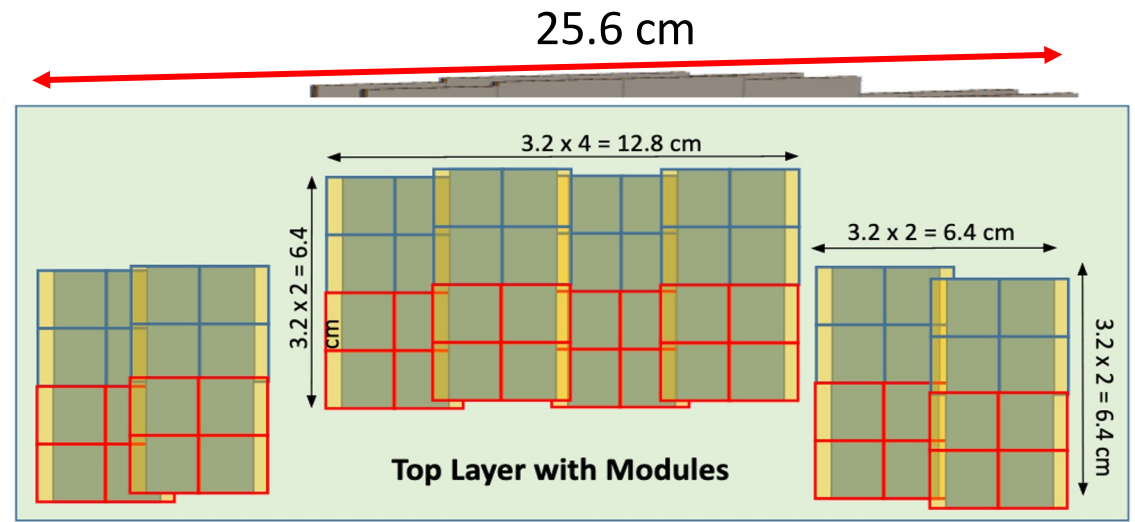
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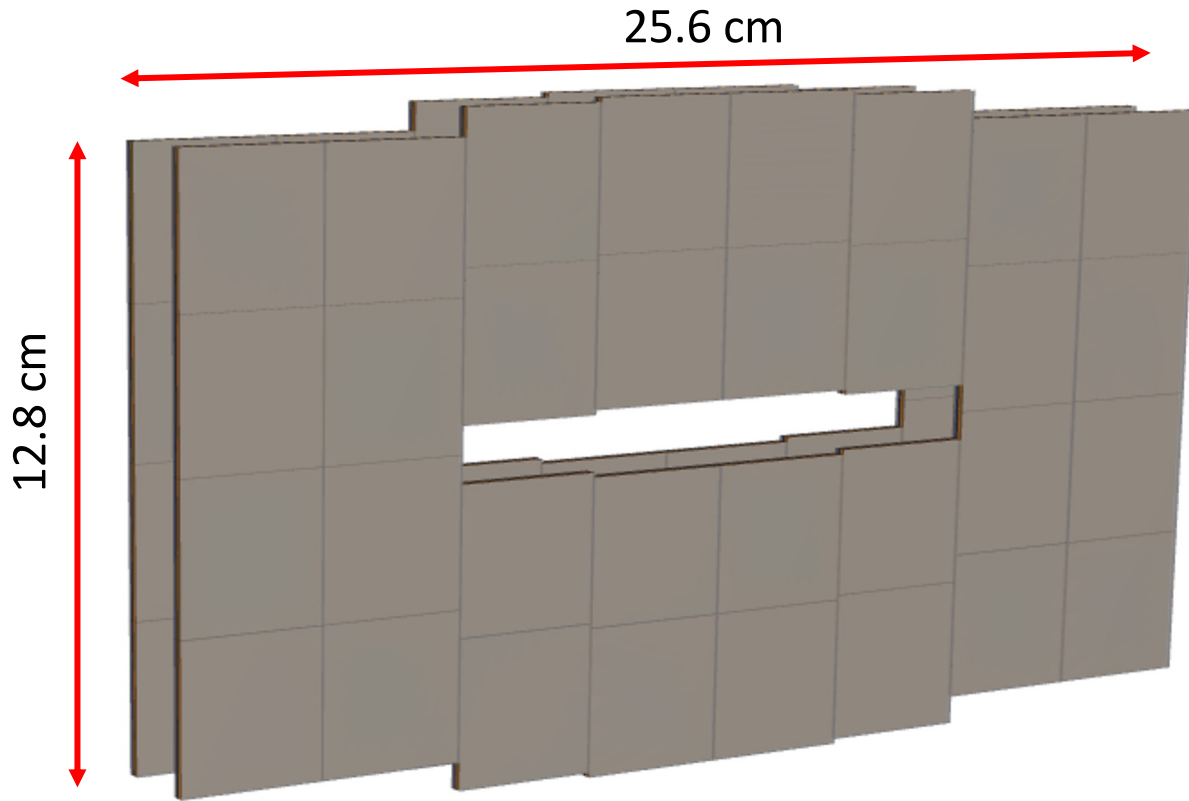
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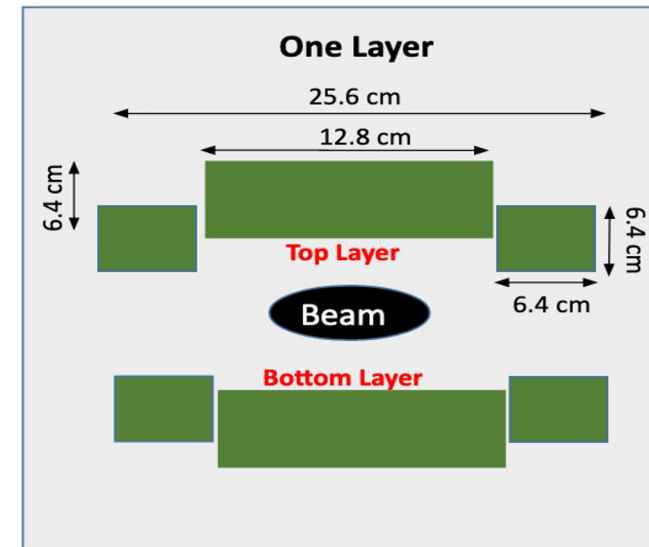
More engineering work is currently underway to optimize the layout, support structure, cooling, and movement systems for inserting the detectors into the beamline.

Roman "Pots" @ the EIC

$\sigma(z)$ is the Gaussian width of the beam, $\beta(z)$ is the RMS transverse beam size, ϵ is the beam emittance, and D is the momentum dispersion.



$$\sigma_{x,y} = \sqrt{\beta(z)_{x,y} \epsilon_{x,y} + \left(D_{x,y} \frac{\Delta p}{p} \right)^2}$$



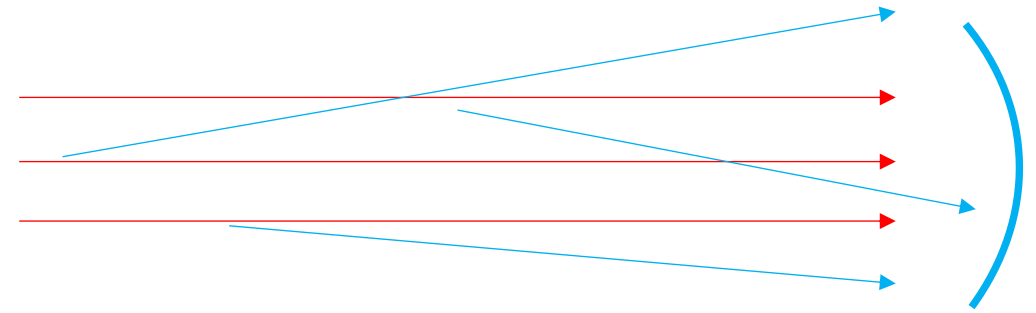
DD4HEP
Simulation

- Low-pT cutoff determined by beam optics.
 - The safe distance is $\sim 10\sigma$ from the beam center.
 - $1\sigma \sim 1\text{mm}$
- These optics choices change with energy, but can also be changed within a single energy to maximize *either acceptance at the RP, or the luminosity.*

Digression: particle beams

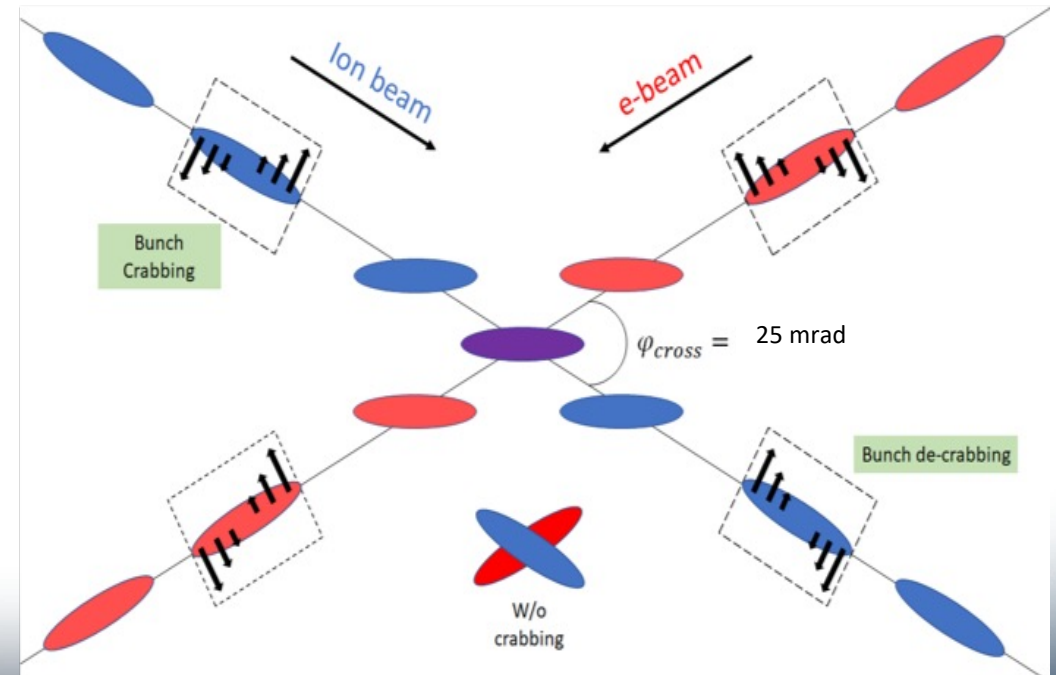
- **Angular divergence**

- Angular “spread” of the beam away from the central trajectory.
- Gives some small initial transverse momentum to the beam particles.



- **Crab cavity rotation**

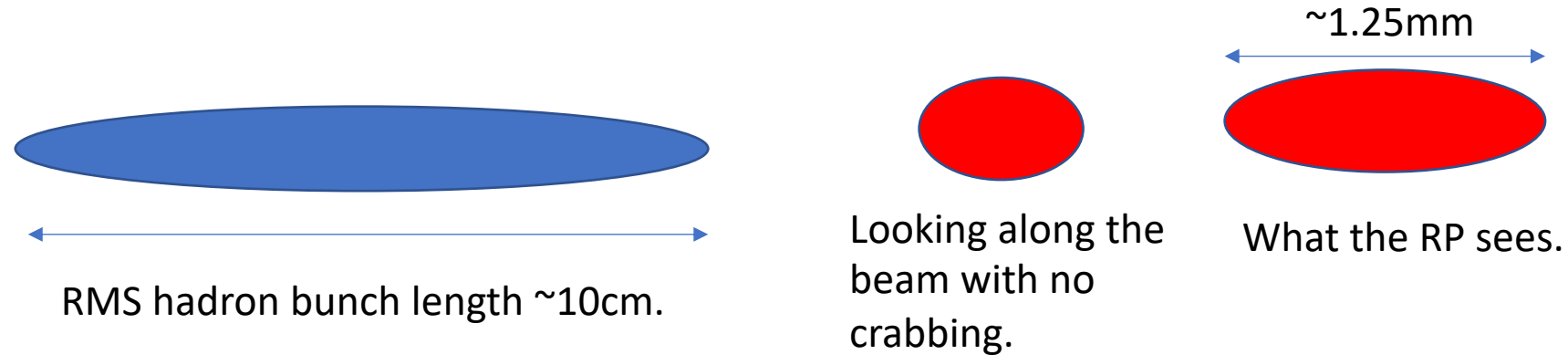
- Can perform rotations of the beam bunches in 2D.
- Used to account for the luminosity drop due to the crossing angle – allows for head-on collisions to still take place.



These effects introduce smearing in our momentum reconstruction.

Momentum Resolution – Timing

For exclusive reactions measured with the Roman Pots we need good timing to resolve the position of the interaction within the proton bunch. But what should the timing be?



- Because of the rotation, the Roman Pots see the bunch crossing smeared in x .
- **Vertex smearing = 12.5mrad (half the crossing angle) * 10cm = 1.25 mm**
- If the effective vertex smearing was **for a 1cm bunch**, we would have **$.125\text{mm}$** vertex smearing.
- The simulations were done with these two extrema and the results compared.

- From these comparisons, reducing the effective vertex smearing to that of the 1cm bunch length reduces the momentum smearing to negligible from this contribution.
- This can be achieved with timing of $\sim 35\text{ps}$ ($1\text{cm}/\text{speed of light}$).

Momentum Resolution – Comparison

- The various contributions add in quadrature (this was checked empirically, measuring each effect independently).

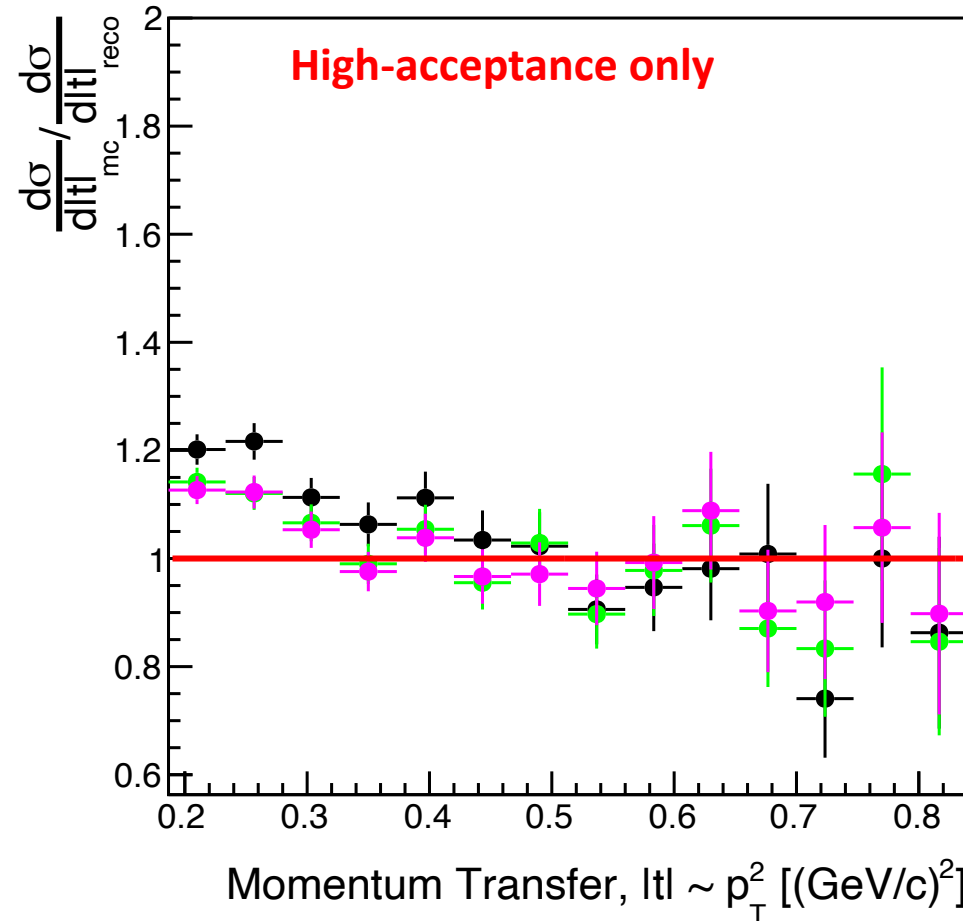
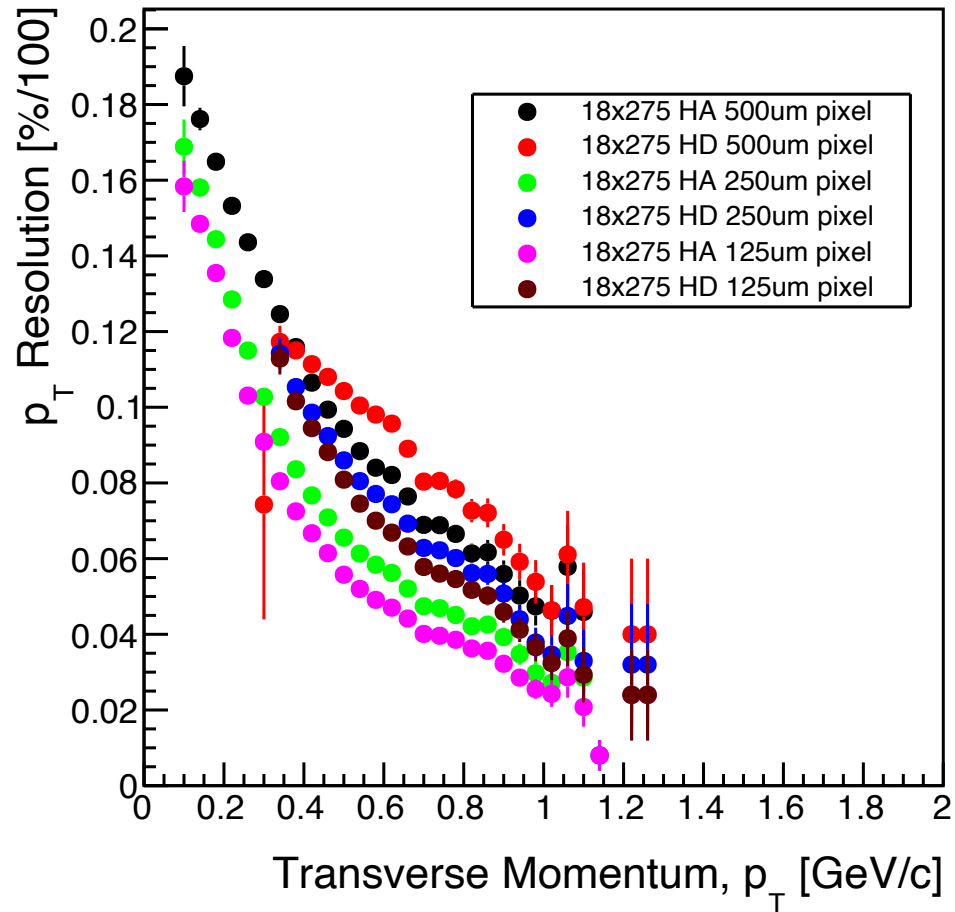
$$\Delta p_{t,total} = \sqrt{(\Delta p_{t,AD})^2 + (\Delta p_{t,CC})^2 + (\Delta p_{t,pxl})^2}$$

Angular divergence
Primary vertex smearing from crab cavity rotation.
Smearing from finite pixel size.

| | Ang Div. (HD) | Ang Div. (HA) | Vtx Smear | 250um pxl | 500um pxl | 1.3mm pxl |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| $\Delta p_{t,total}$ [MeV/c] - 275 GeV | 40 | 28 | 20 | 6 | 11 | 26 |
| $\Delta p_{t,total}$ [MeV/c] - 100 GeV | 22 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 16 |
| $\Delta p_{t,total}$ [MeV/c] - 41 GeV | 14 | - | 10 | 9 | 10 | 12 |

- Beam angular divergence**
 - Beam property, can't correct for it – sets the lower bound of smearing.
 - Subject to change (i.e. get better) – beam parameters not yet set in stone
- Vertex smearing from crab rotation**
 - Correctable with good timing (~35ps)
- Finite pixel size on sensor**
 - 500um seems like the best compromise between potential cost and smearing

Detailed RP Momentum Resolution - 18x275 GeV



- 500um = no charge sharing
- 250um = charge sharing, x2 improvement
- 125um = charge sharing, x4 improvement

- Each case includes all beam effects.
- Updated transfer matrix reconstruction compared to eRD24.
- **Material thickness has not been evaluated in detail, but of course additional material will degrade resolution.**

- Goal is to extract slope of t-distribution.
- Ratio indicates expected capability.

Detector Resolution Summary

- Modern studies support basic idea of eRD24 studies.
 - 500um pixels can do the job.
 - Beam effects the larger impact for RP/OMD reconstruction.
 - Expecting x2 improvement (super-conservative minimum) in (pixel size)/ $\text{Sqrt}(12)$ – reduces slope distortion in t-distribution.
- Strips increase the number of needed planes x2, which increases cooling, needed space, engineering constraints, etc.
 - Strips can make background rejection much more challenging (experience of PPS @ CMS).
 - Long strips potential for RF pickup noise.
 - We have no real estimates on these things from the engineering design, so it makes it challenging to know what to include in the simulations.
 - The active area of the detectors is very large, and the whole system is directly in vacuum. Adding more planes means more services, impedance, etc.

What about the B0 tracker?

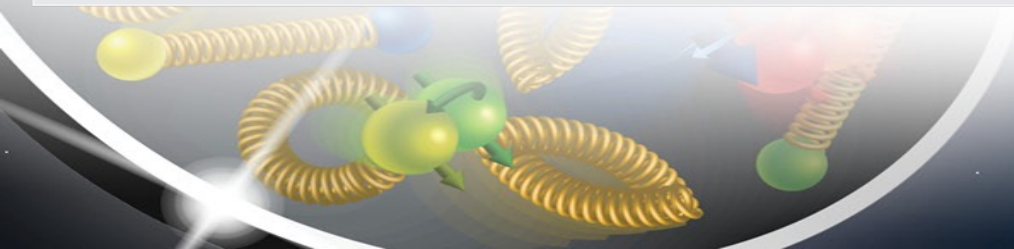
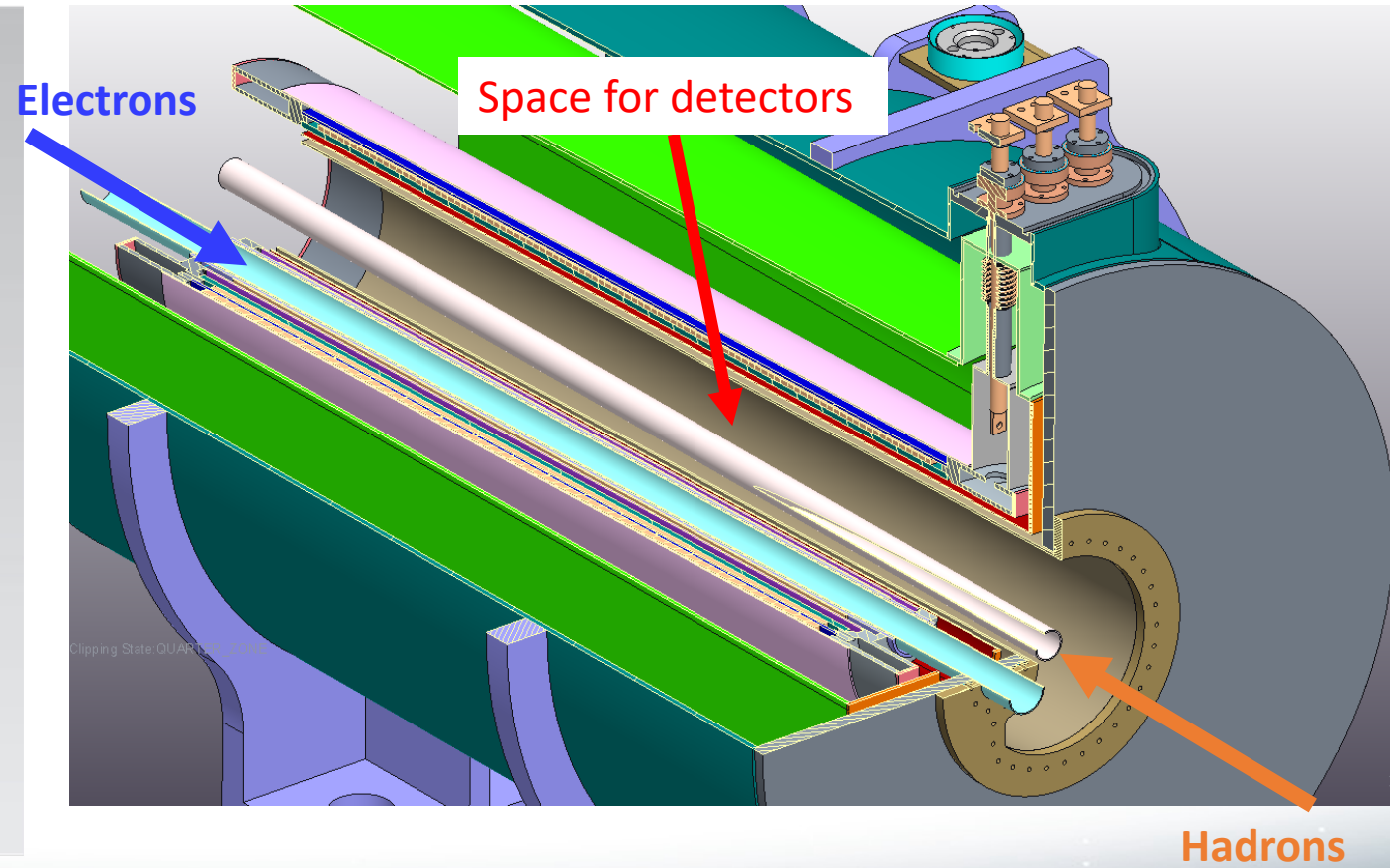
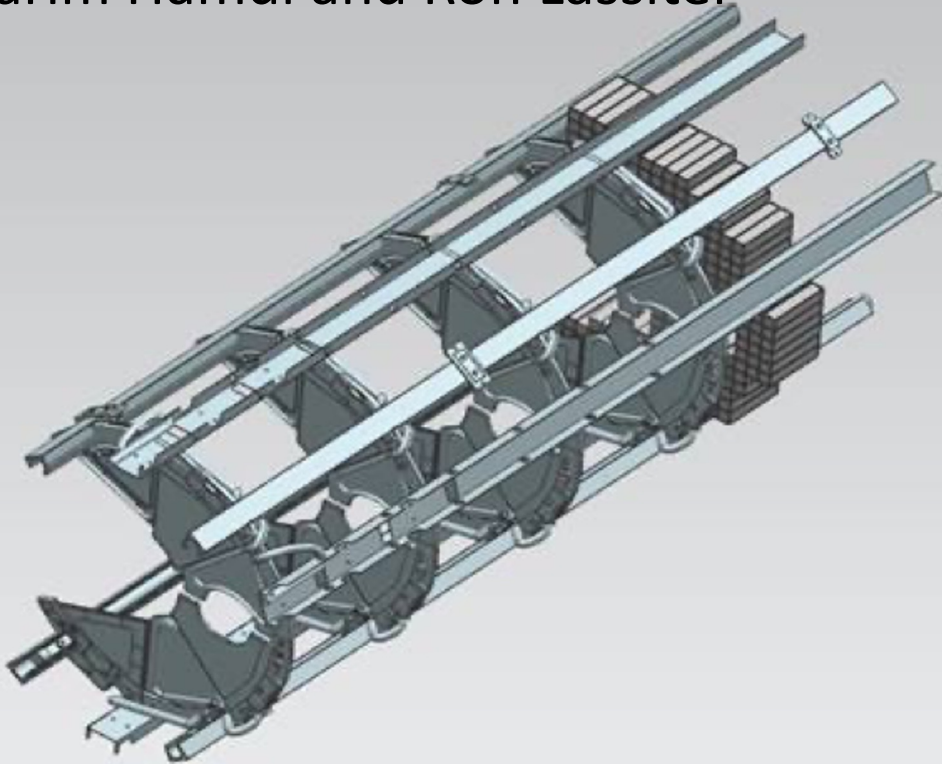
- Originally planned to use ITS3 (3 layers) + AC-LGAD (1 layer) to get 5-10um spatial resolution, combined with precise timing of AC-LGADs.
- Long integration window for ITS3 sensors a major problem for the high occupancy environment of the B0 tracker.
 - <https://wiki.bnl.gov/EPIC/index.php?title=Background>
- Looking at AC-LGADs as an option for the full subsystem → will the worsening of the spatial resolution be tolerable?
 - Beam tests demonstrate AC-LGADs achieving ~ 20um spatial resolution with charge sharing: <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/19471/>



B0 Detectors

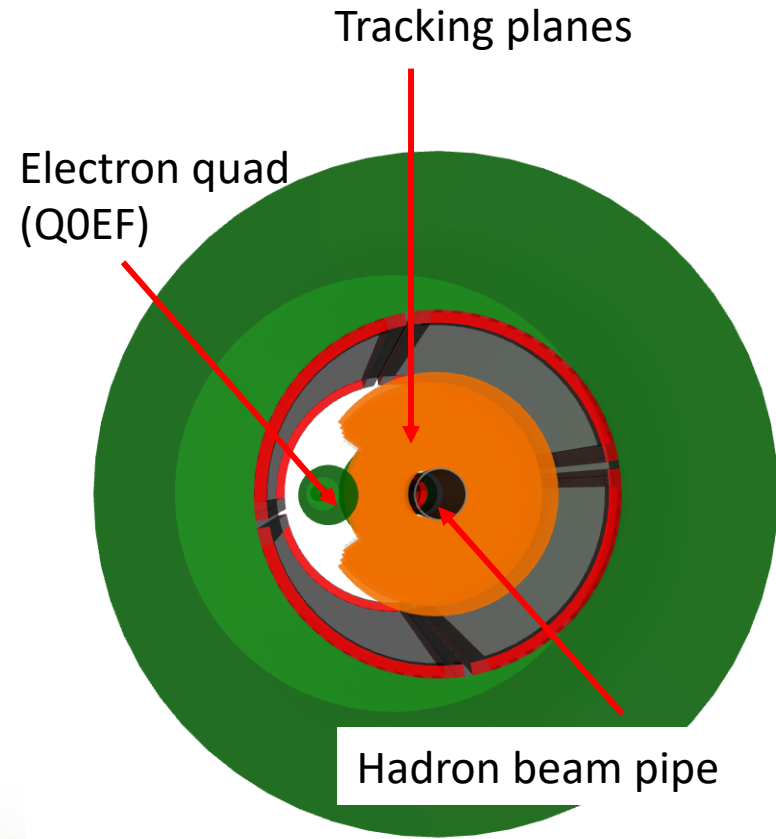
- Detector subsystem embedded in an accelerator magnet.

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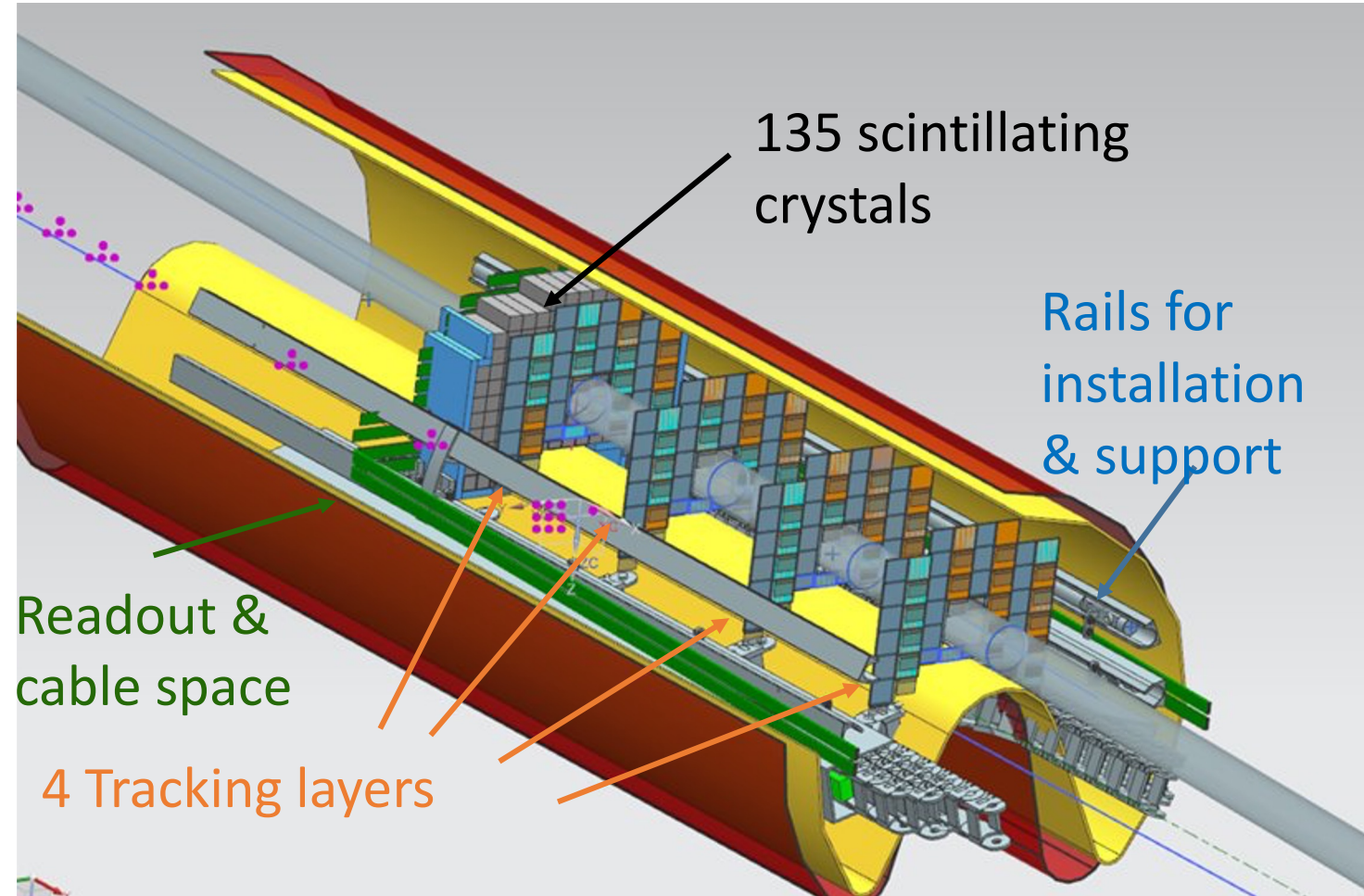


B0 Tracking and EMCAL Detectors

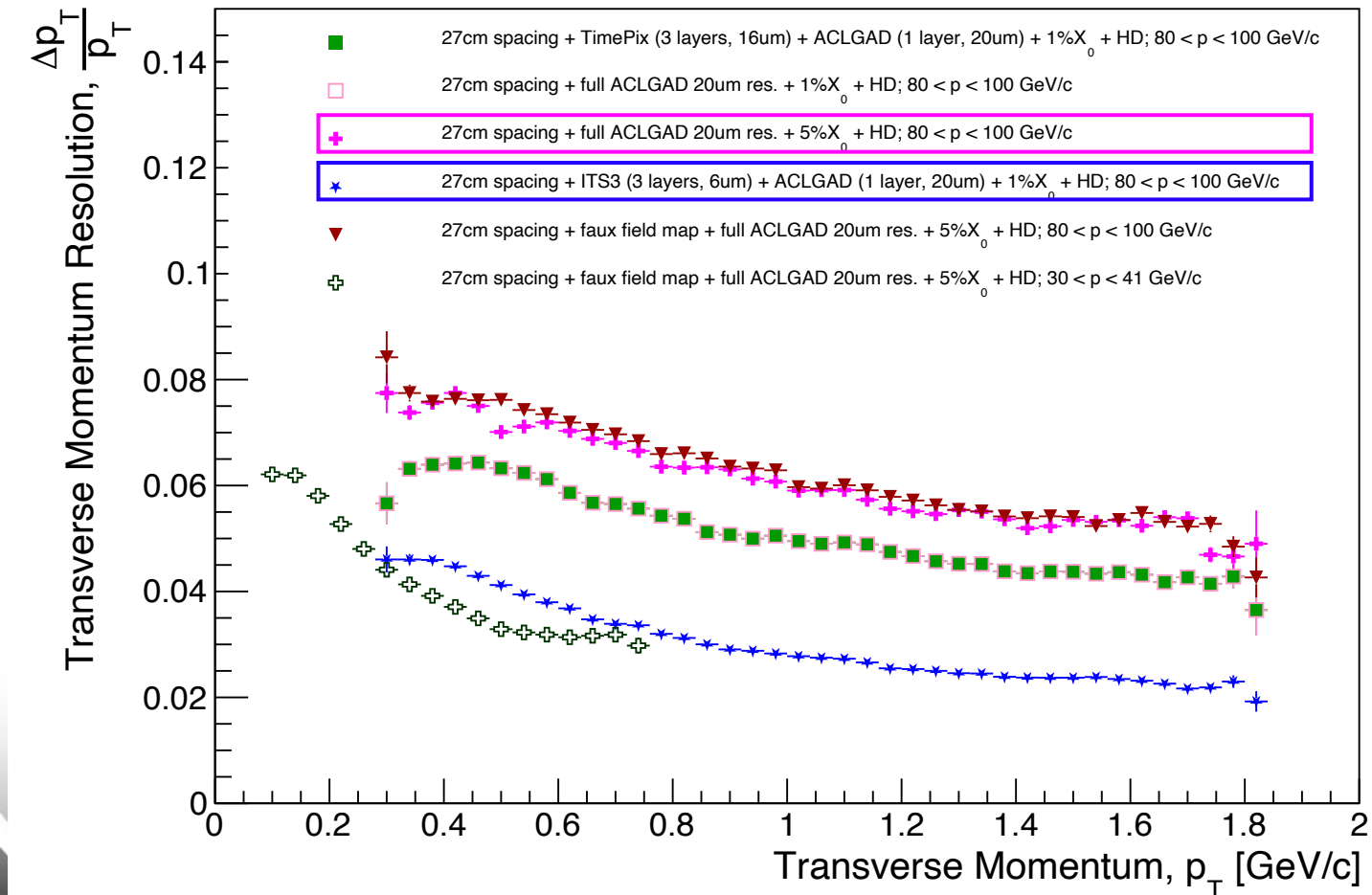
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ePIC DD4HEP Simulation



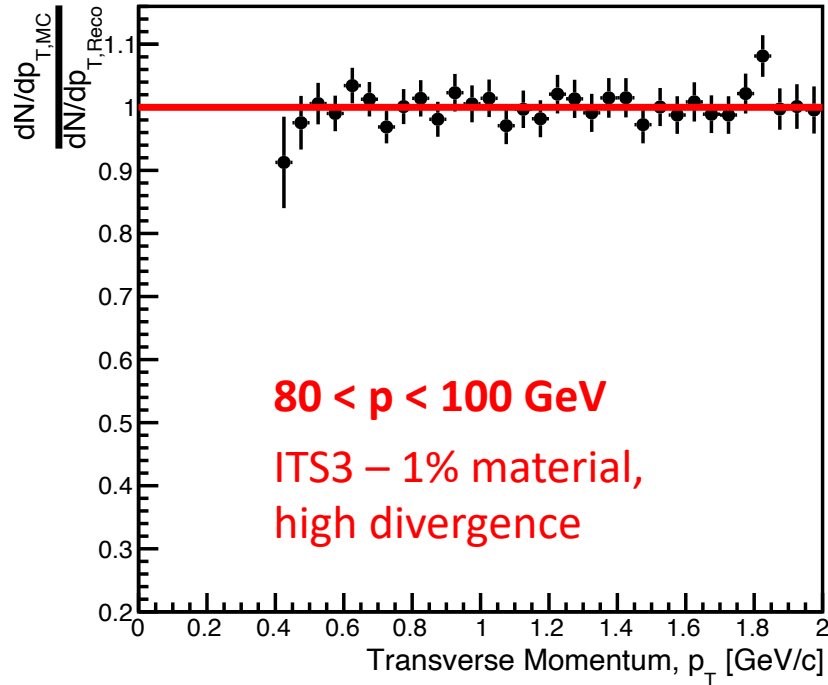
B0 tracking: new technology + material assumptions (first tests last Summer)



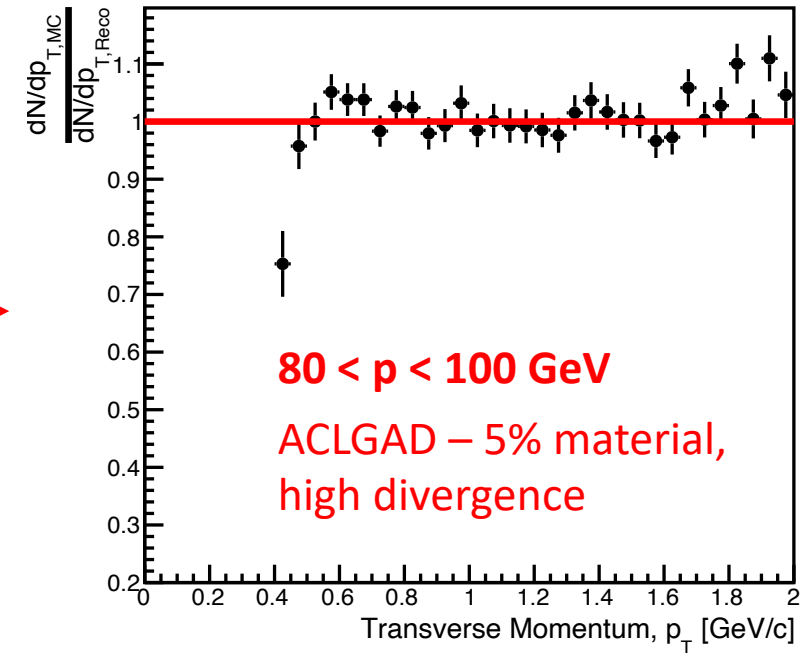
- 27cm spacing with fully ACLGAD system and 5% radiation length may be the most-realistic option.
 - Constant & uniform magnetic field for tracker.
- **Note:** p resolution is ~ 2-4%, depending on configuration.

B0 tracking: Impact on pT spectra

100 GeV protons - 27cm spacing - 1%X0 - High Divergence



100 GeV protons - 27cm spacing - 5%X0 - ALL ACLGAD - High Divergence



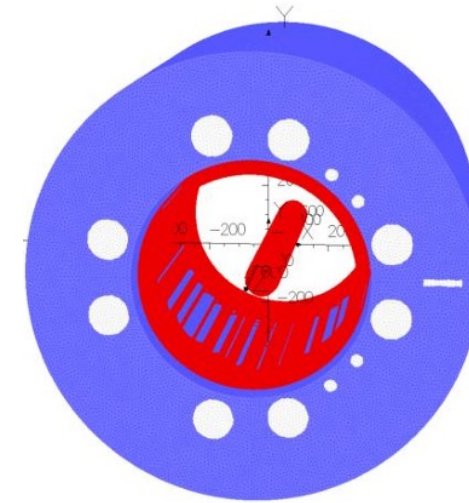
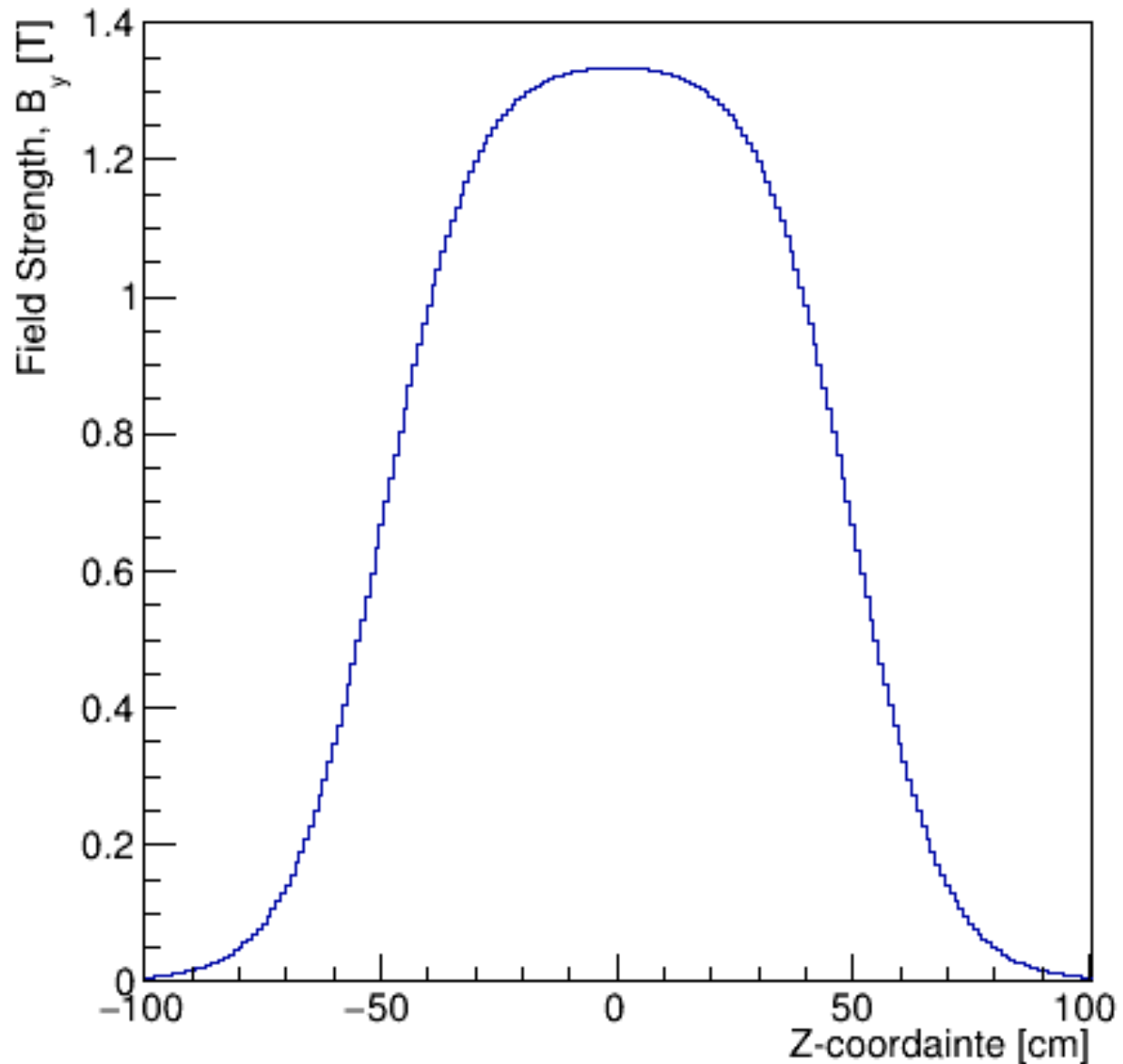
- Full study: <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/19620/>
- Information passed to PWG in early June.

Recent update: B0 Field Map

- Previous studies done with constant, uniform dipole + quadrupole fields.
- Studies now moving forward with correct field map in the B0.
 - Information pulled from here:
 - https://wiki.bnl.gov/EPIC/images/e/ef/12212022_Set_up_to_do_3D_field_map.pdf
 - https://wiki.bnl.gov/EPIC/images/1/1b/B0_field_map_23dec2022.txt.zip
- Map given in 1cm steps → lots of information for the detector simulations, reduced to 10cm steps in z for processing.
 - Fully implemented in DD4HEP, but not merged into main repo (still need to study use of field map with the rest of the FF magnets before making it the standard).
 - ✓ Field lines then rotated and translated to correct simulation coordinate system.
 - ✓ Field values checked at various locations to ensure correct usage.



B0 Field Map

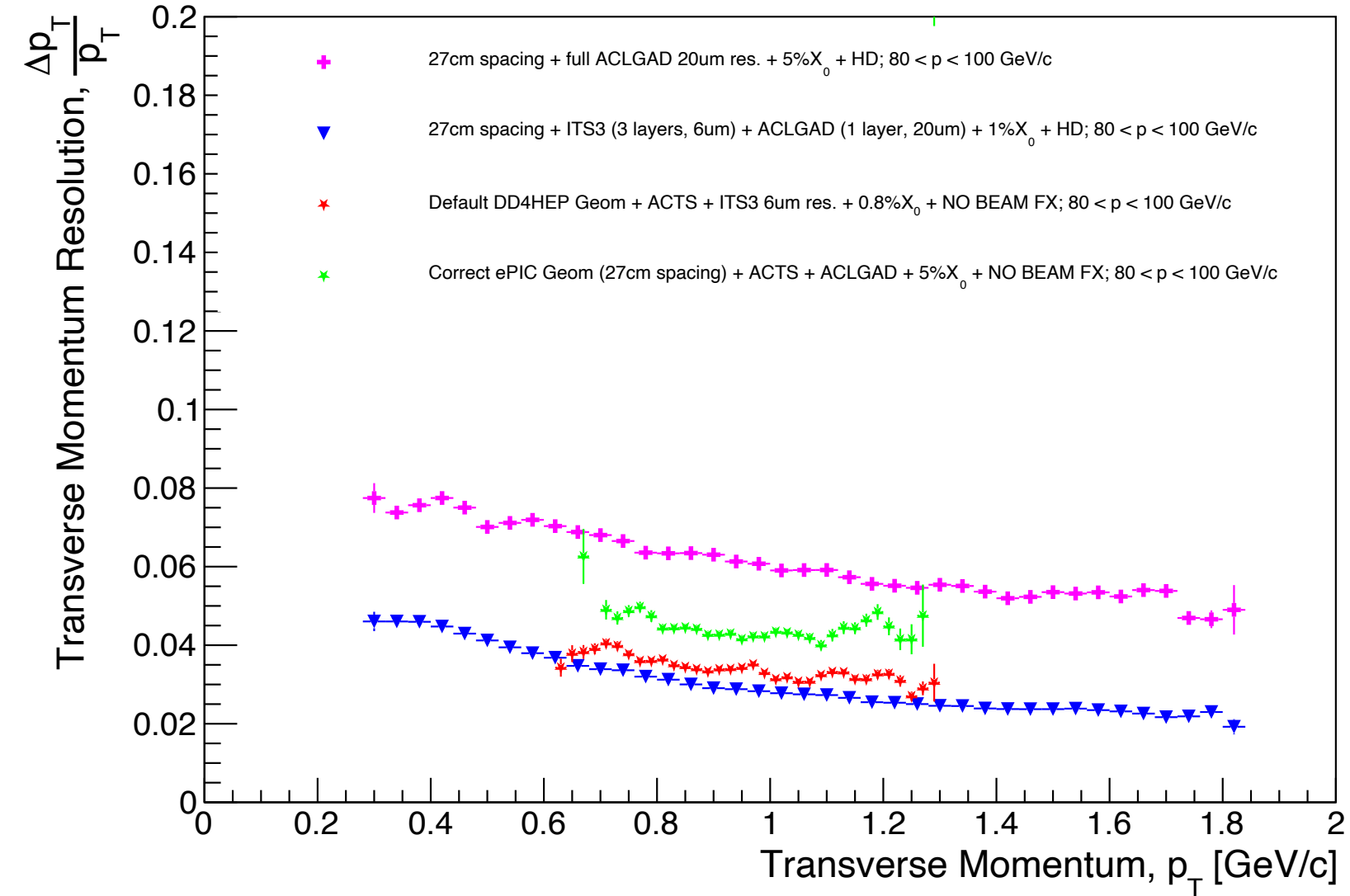


e-beam @ +34 mm and hadrons @ -126 mm
(neglecting 25 mrad angle) in this model

Z=0 is center of the magnet @ 6.4m

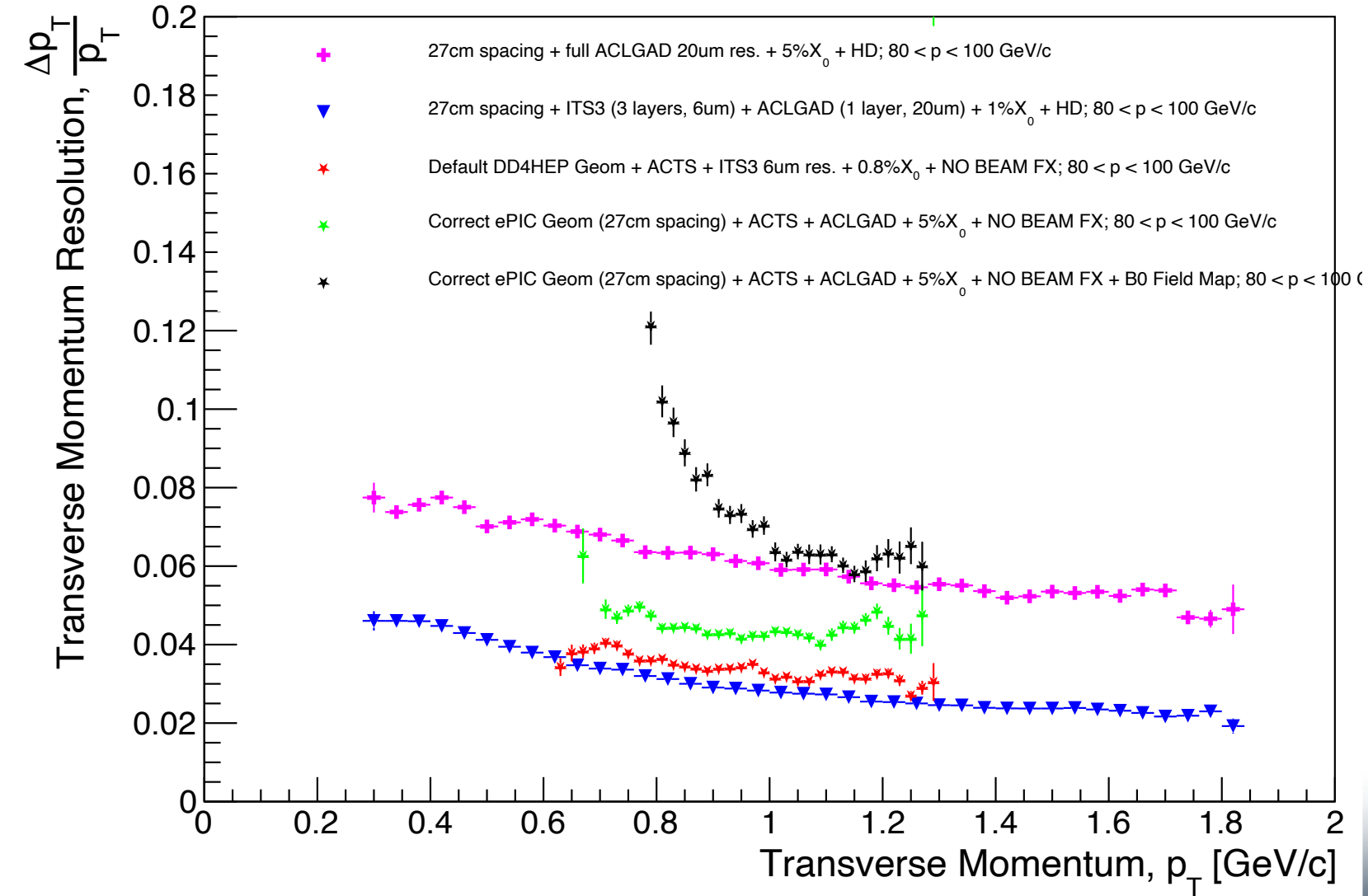
- X = -126 mm, y = 0 mm (before rotation and shift to fit along beamline).
 - By field strength along the hadron beam.
 - Gaussian field shape!

B0 Tracking - Performance



- All of these assume constant dipole + quadrupole field through entire 1.2m long magnet volume.
- Green/Red assume 6 to 13 mrad cone of 80 to 100 GeV protons.
 - Aiming at ~symmetric portion of acceptance, conservative case for the tracking performance (100 GeV protons are very rigid)

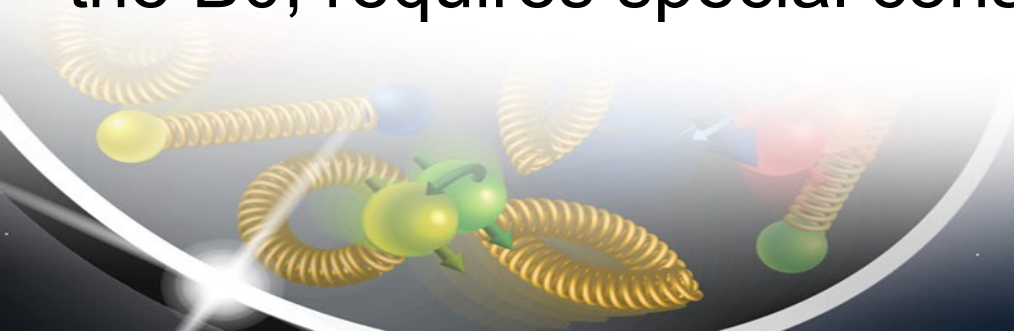
B0 Tracking - Performance



- Black: tracker shifted away from IP by 10cm.
- Assume 6 to 13 mrad cone of 80 to 100 GeV protons.
- Need to understand how charge sharing + spatial resolution is affected by radiation dose.

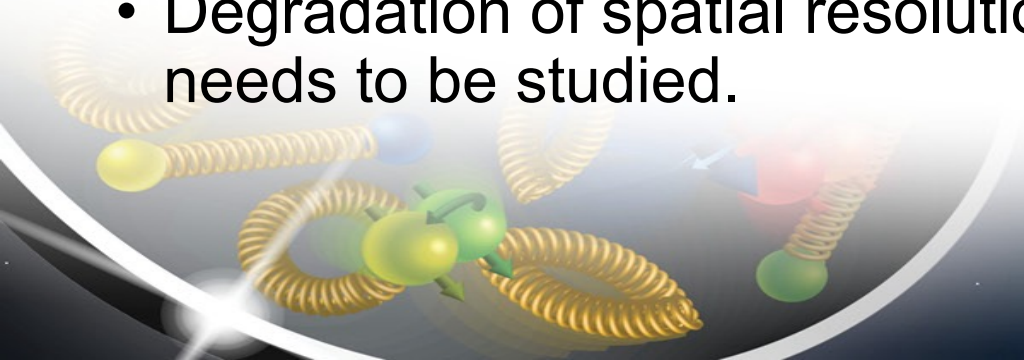
Detector Summary

- **Roman Pots:**
 - $\sim 26\text{cm} \times 10\text{cm} \times 4 \text{ layers} = 524\text{k}$ channels
- **Off-Momentum Detectors:**
 - $\sim 10\text{cm} \times 20\text{cm} \times 4 \text{ layers} = 295\text{k}$ channels
- **B0 Tracker System:**
 - “Pac-man” disks $\sim 370 \text{ cm}^2$ per layer; 4 layers = 606k channels
- Expected power consumption is 1-2 mW/channel – not a major issue for the B0, requires special considerations to cool vacuum-based detectors.

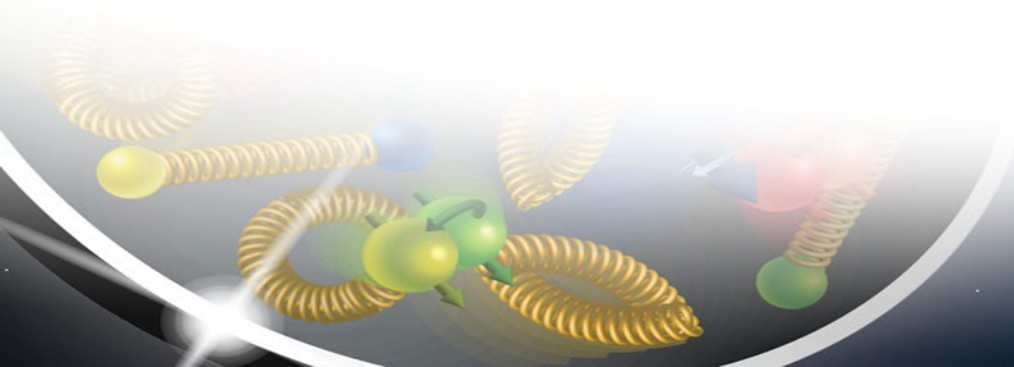


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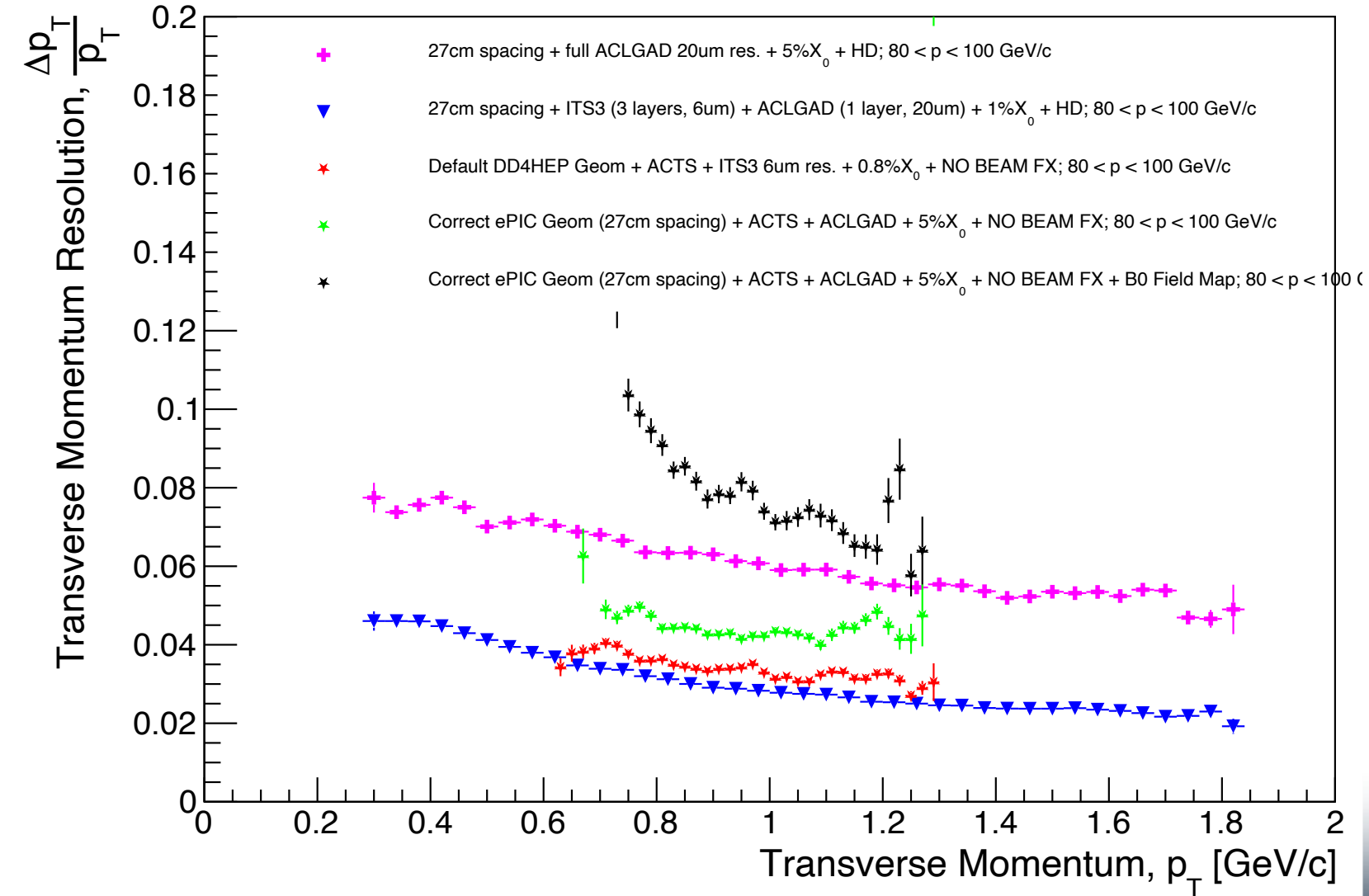
- Roman Pots (and Off-Momentum Detectors) requirements met by AC-LGADs.
 - Pixel size and timing requirement came from original studies and defined the present concept.
- B0 was only recently (Summer 2023) switched to fully AC-LGAD from the original ITS3 + AC-LGAD approach.
 - Relies heavily on charge/signal sharing spatial resolution improvements to meet physics goals.
 - Degradation of spatial resolution with radiation damage a possible concern which needs to be studied.



Backup



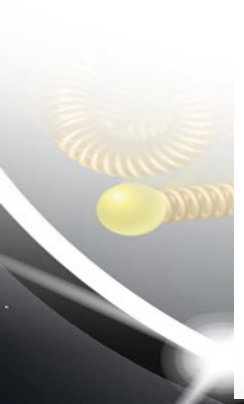
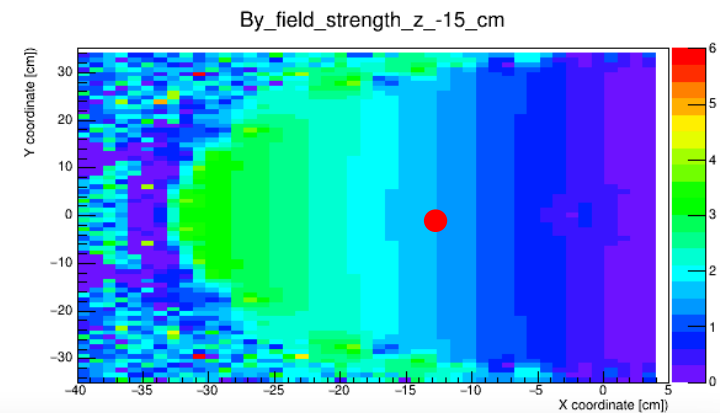
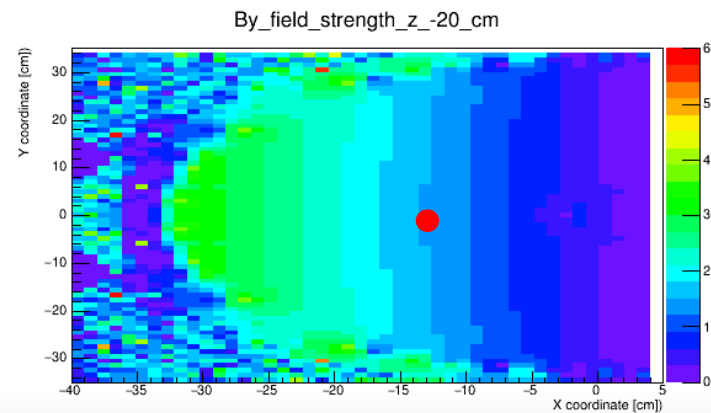
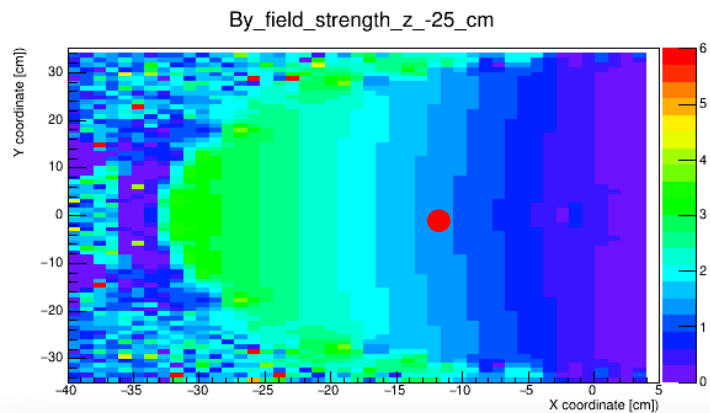
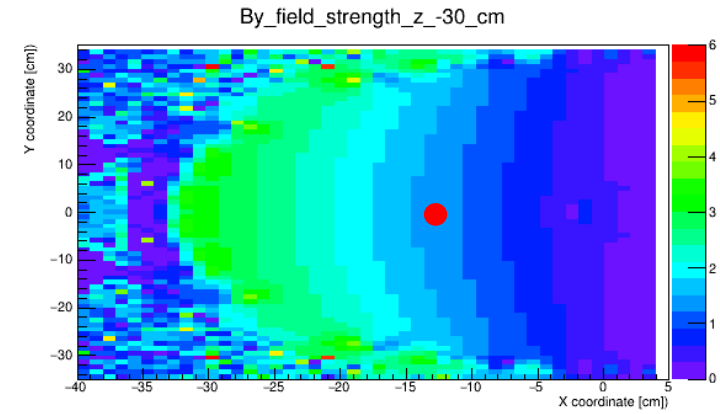
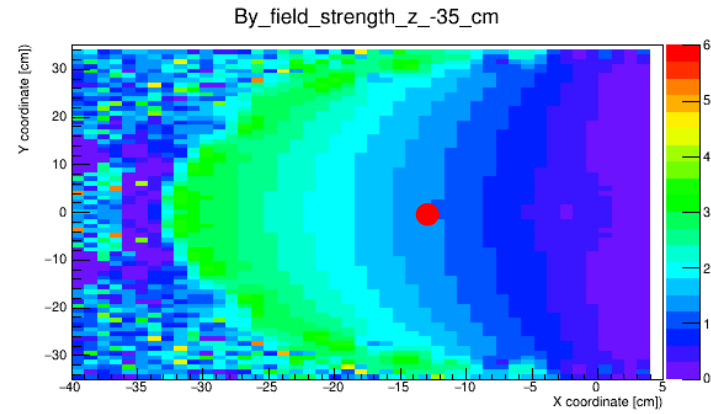
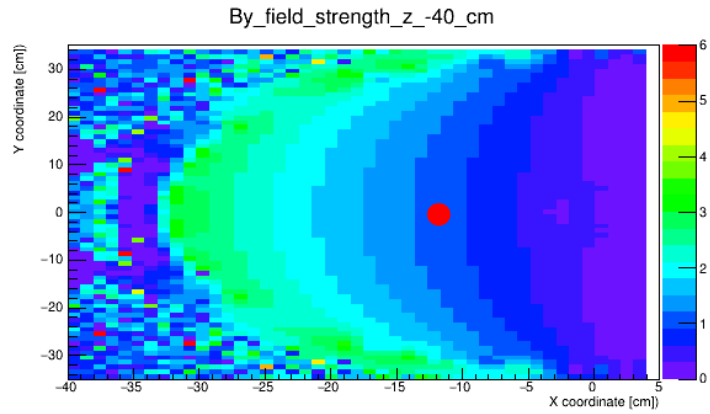
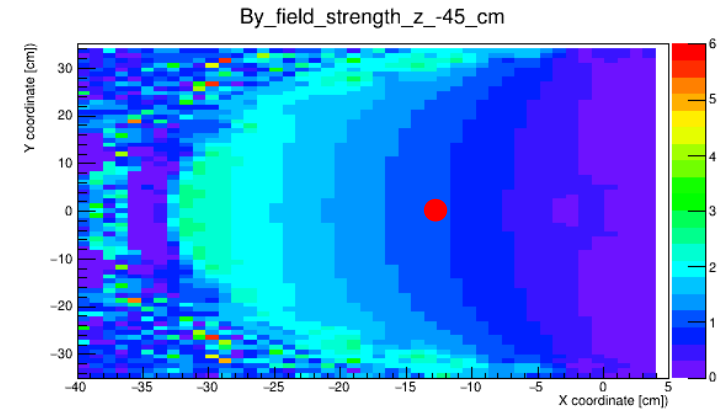
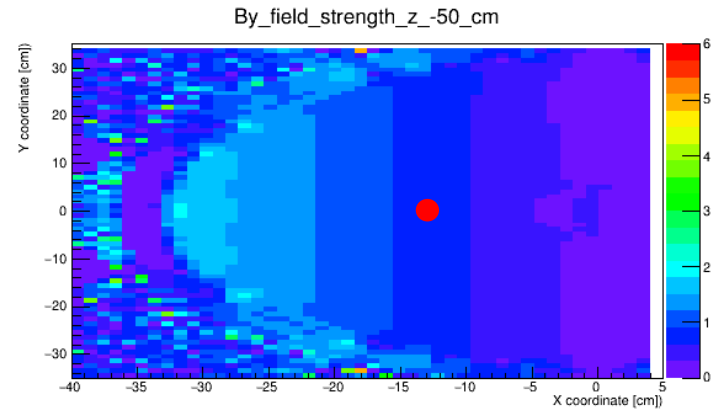
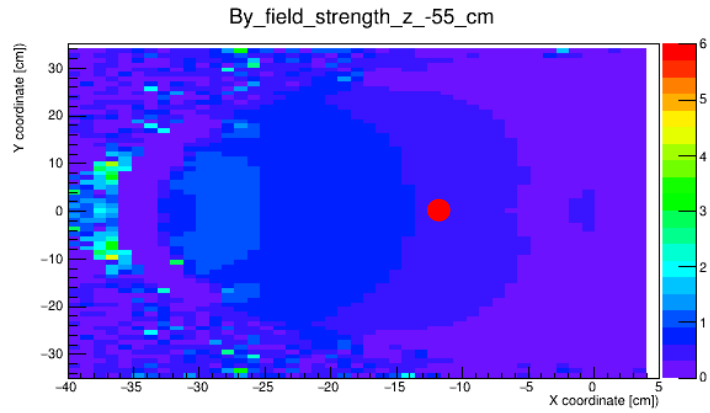
B0 Tracking - Performance



- Black: field map with nominal geometry (plane separation and central location).
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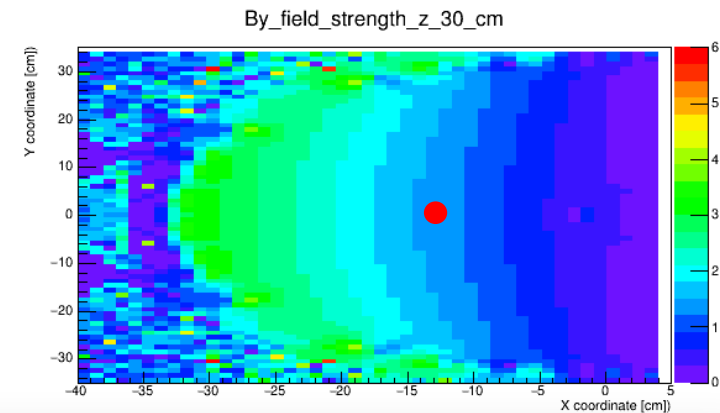
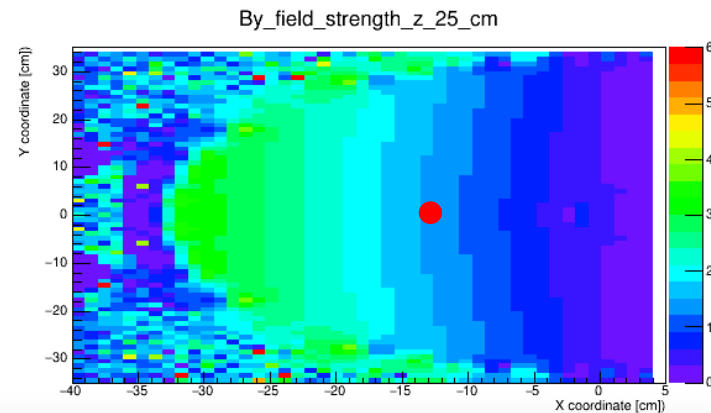
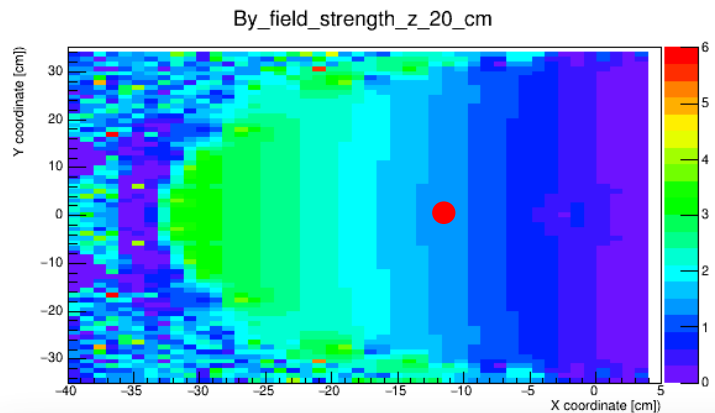
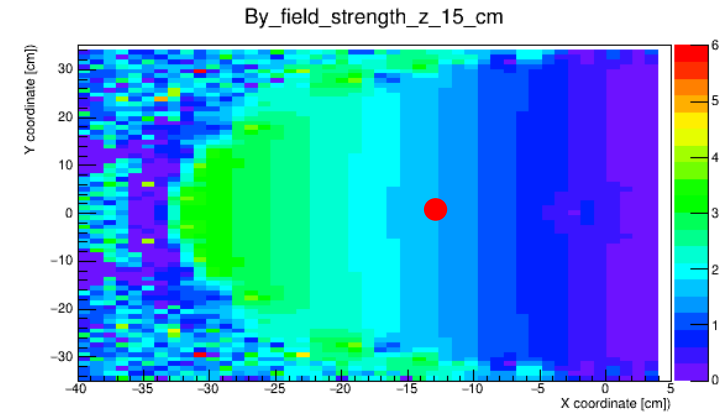
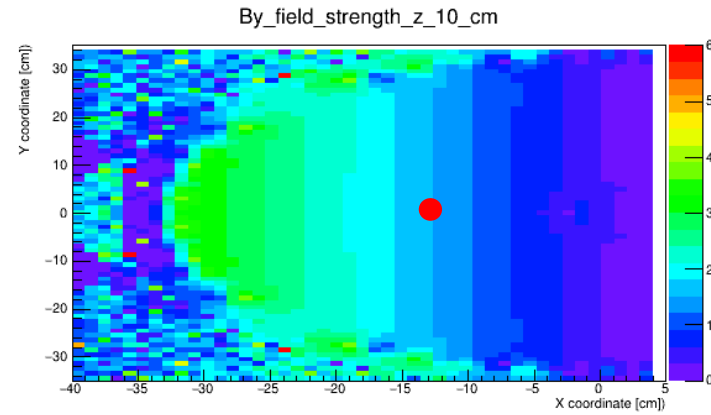
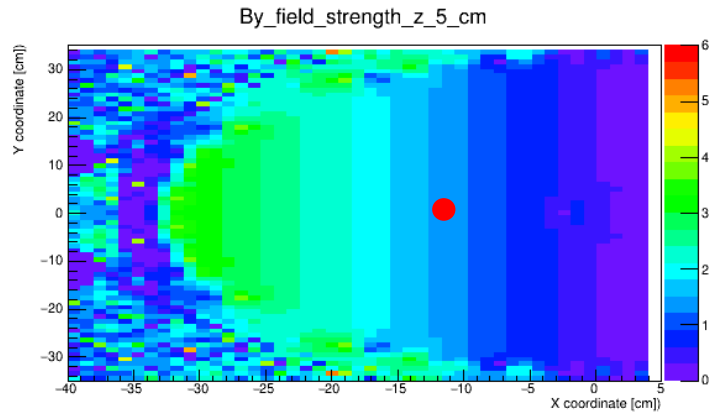
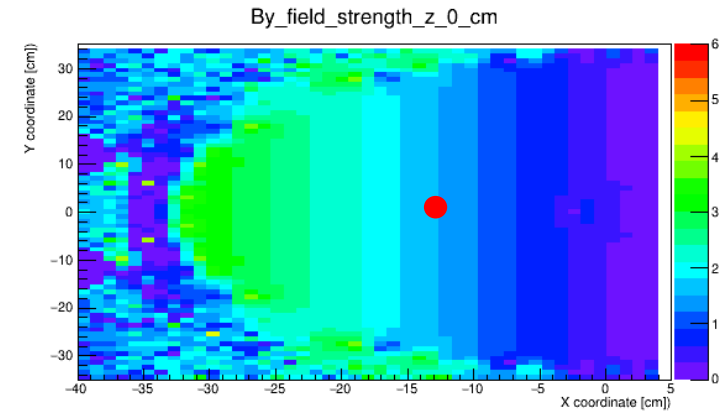
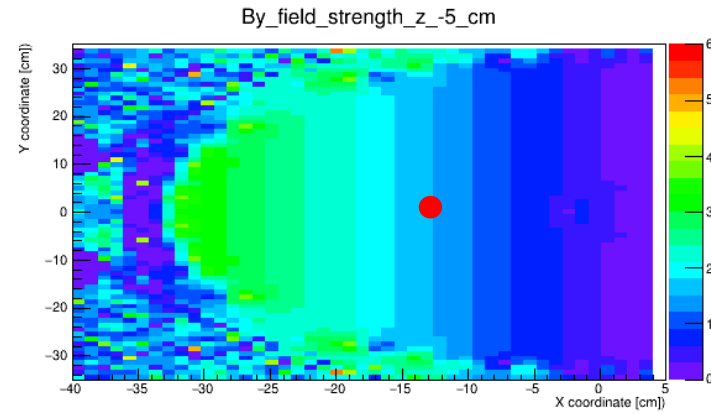
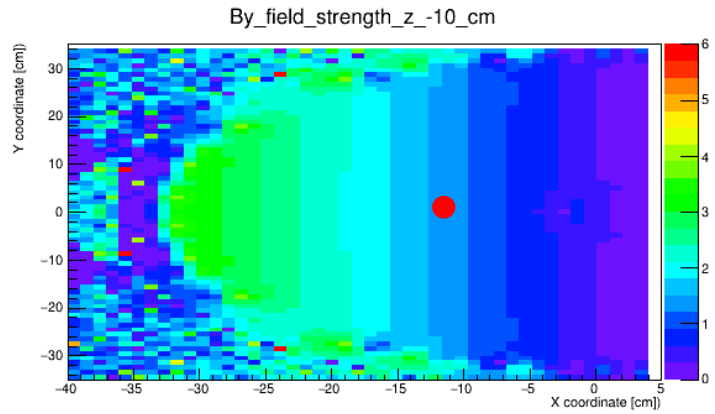
B0 Field Map

Left to right, top to bottom – increasing Z (IP to center of magnet)



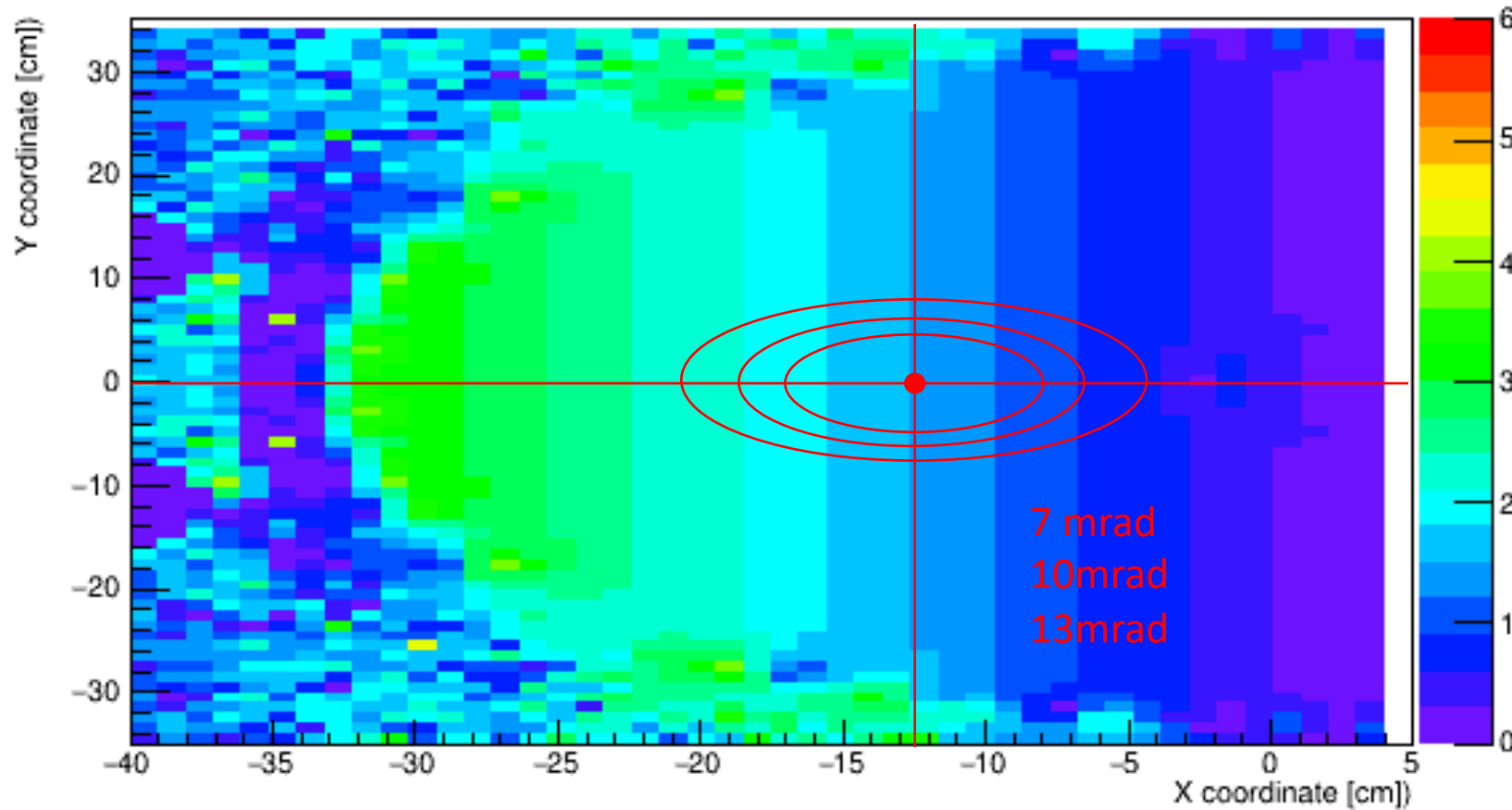
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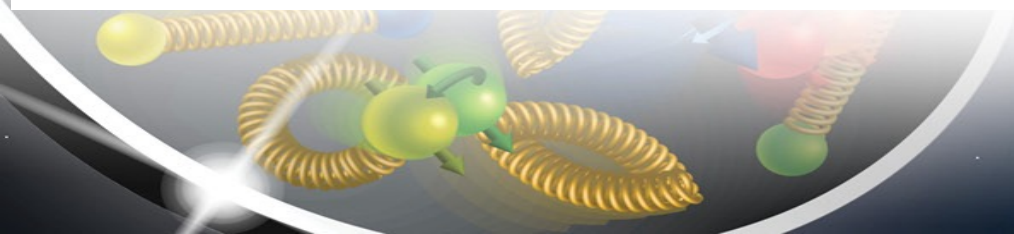


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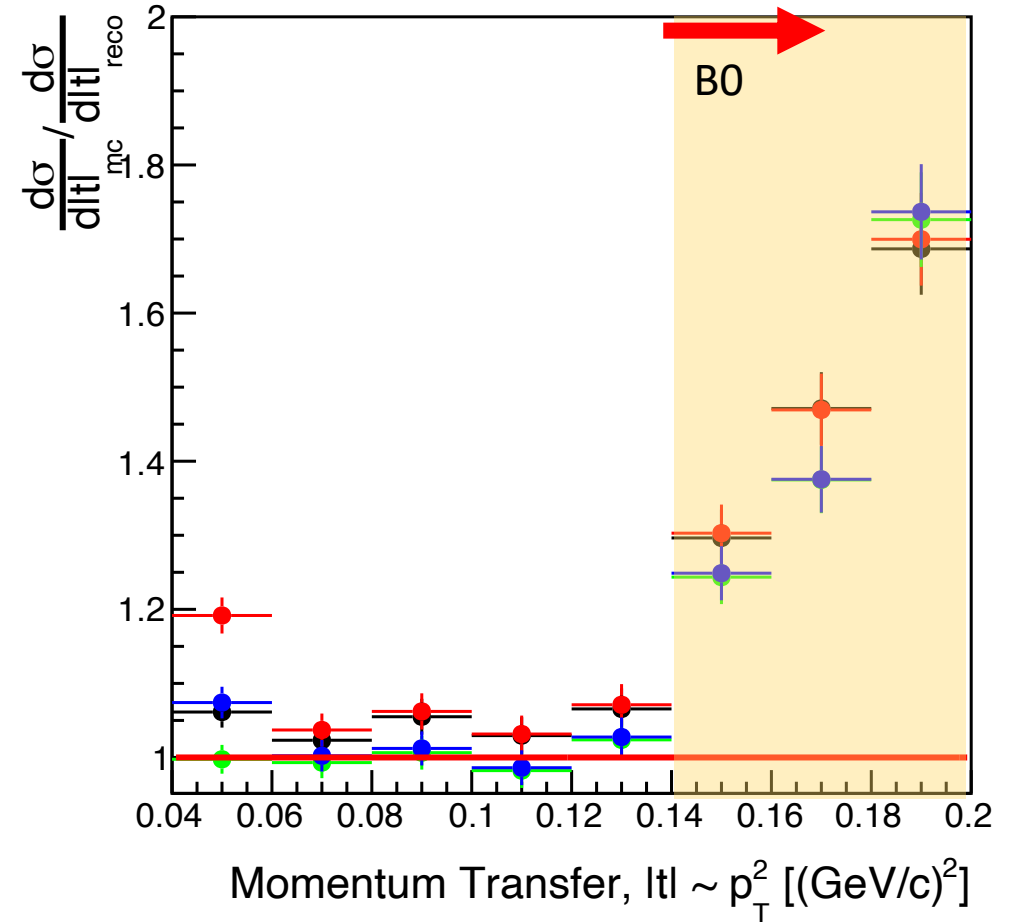
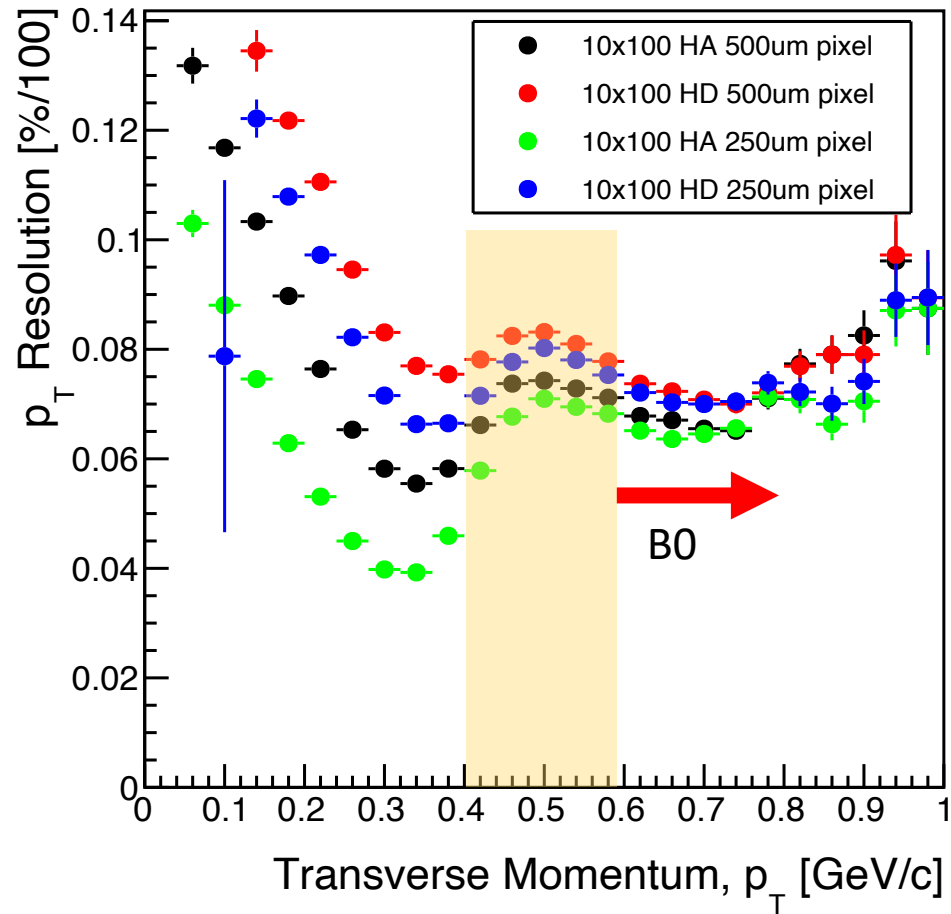
By_field_strength_z_0_cm Center of magnet



- Field seen by protons is pT/angle dependent – will add an additional smearing dependence on position within the magnetic field.



Detailed Momentum Resolution - 10x100 GeV

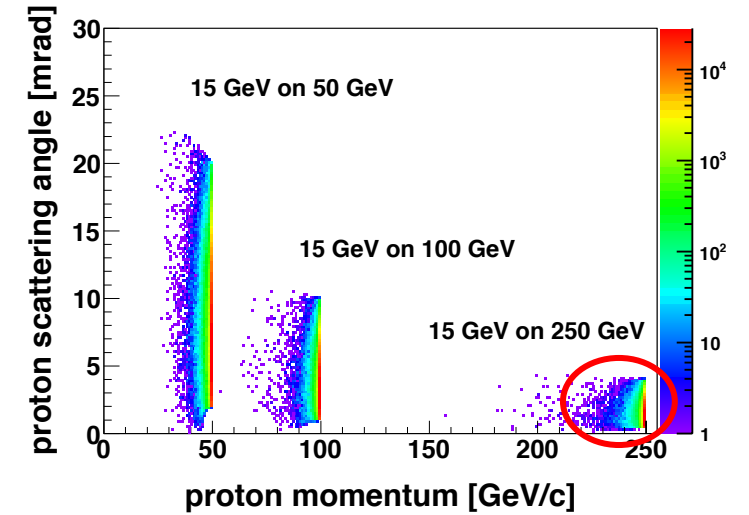
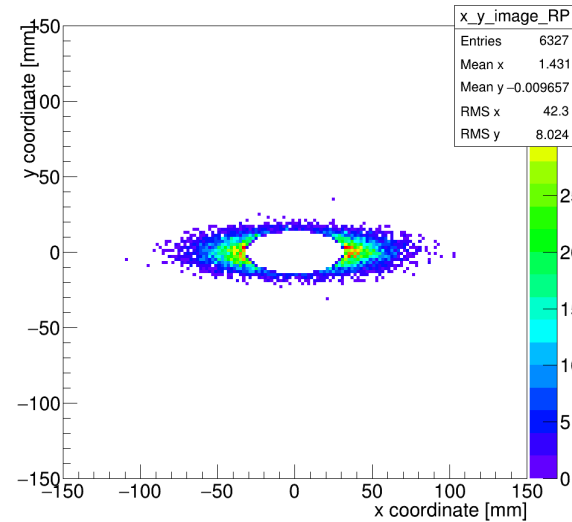
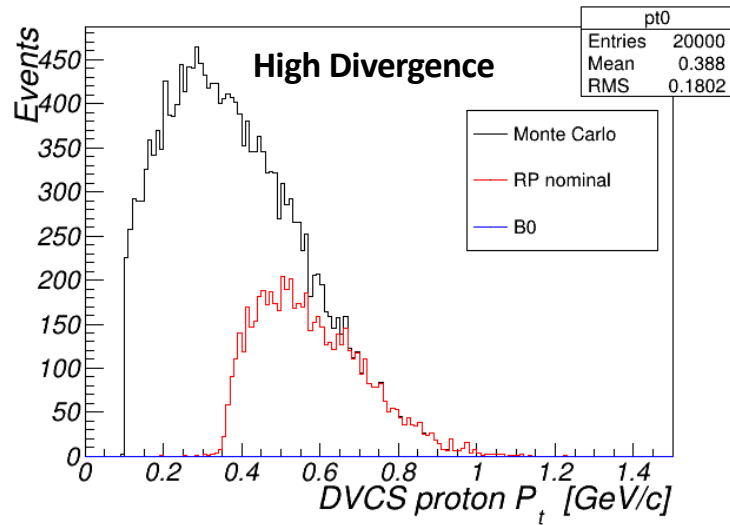


- **Yellow shaded area** is the acceptance gap between the RP and B0 detectors.
- No acceptance correction is applied here.

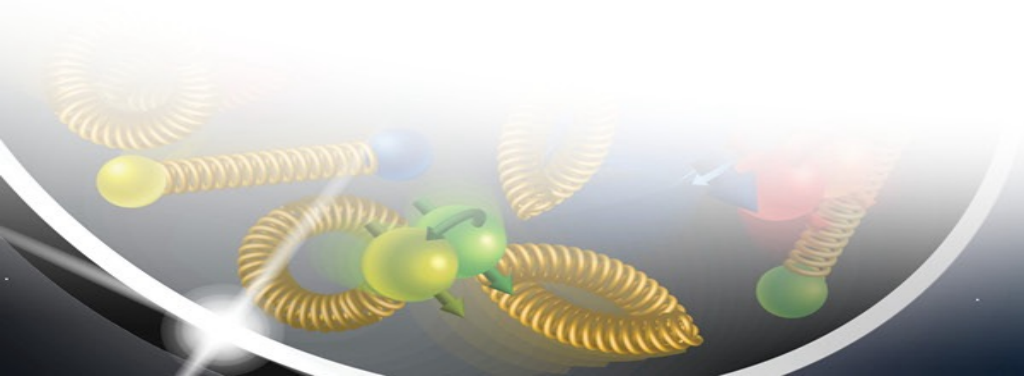
- Zoom-in to relevant RP range.
- Since angular divergence is smaller in the 100 GeV beam, the spatial resolution has a larger impact.

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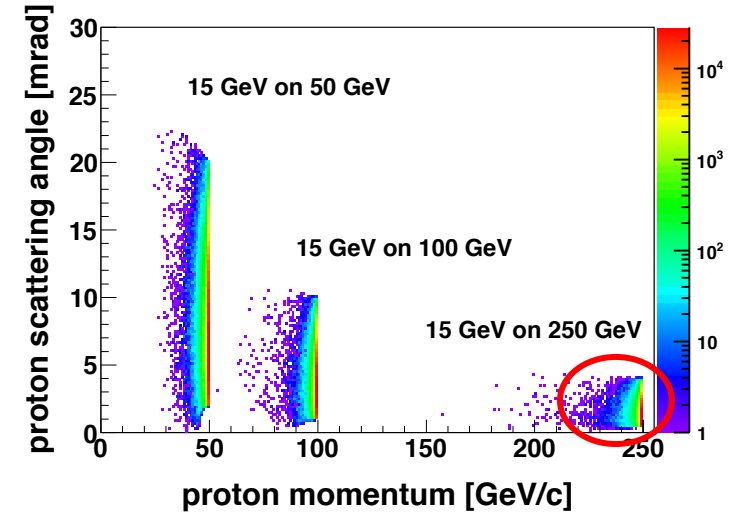
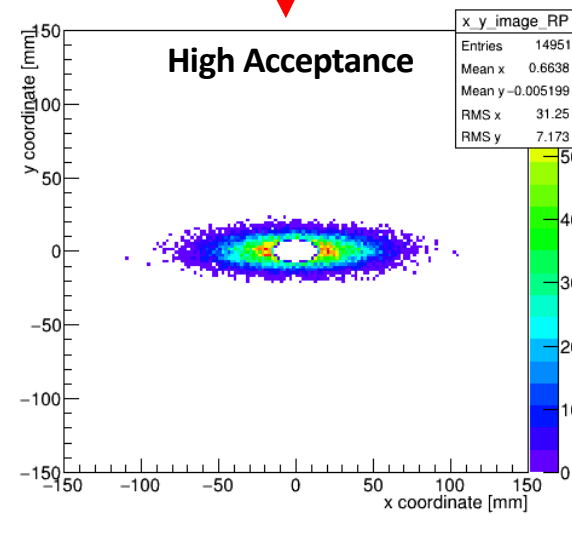
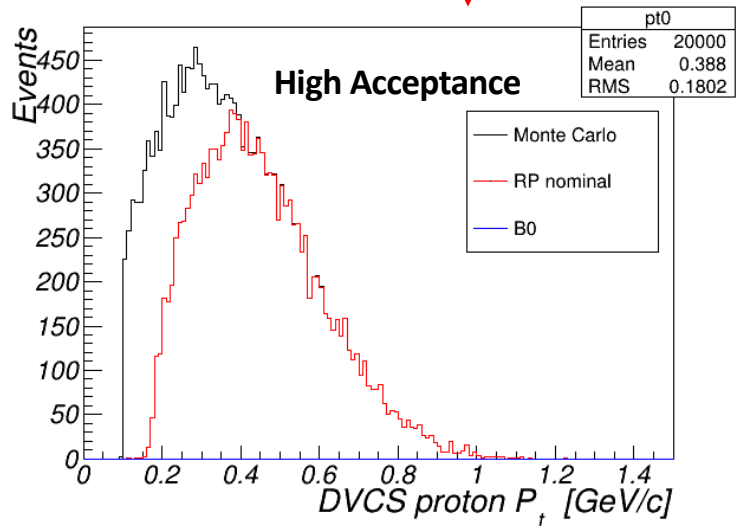
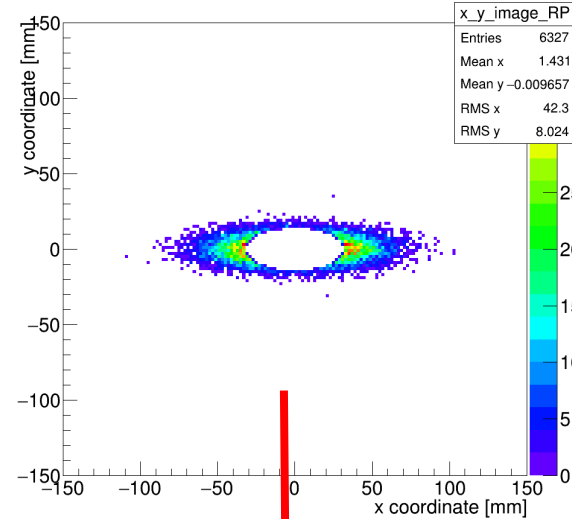
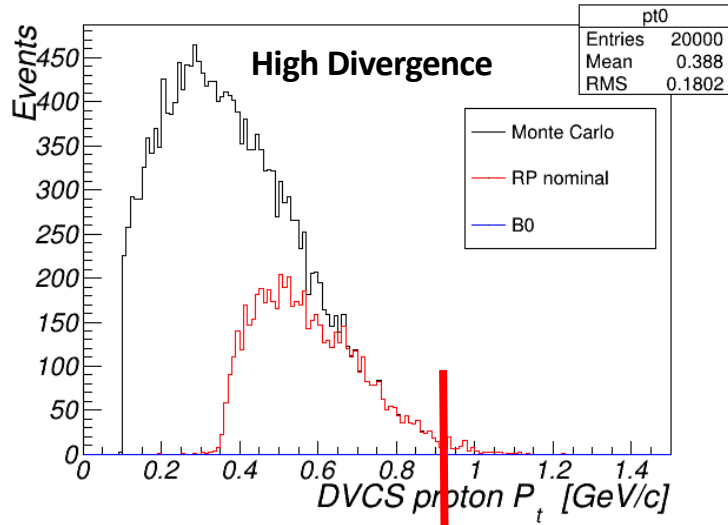


High Divergence: smaller β^* at IP, but bigger $\beta(z = 30m)$ -> higher lumi., larger beam at RP



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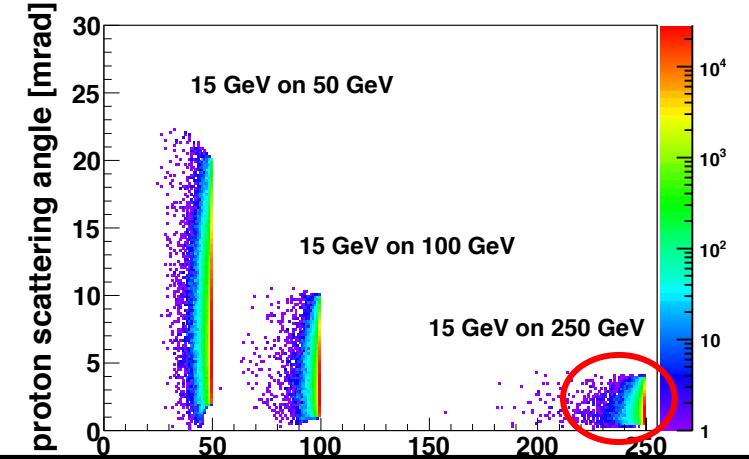
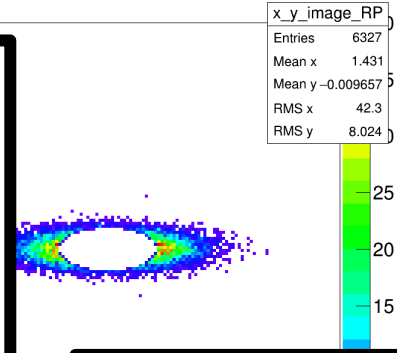
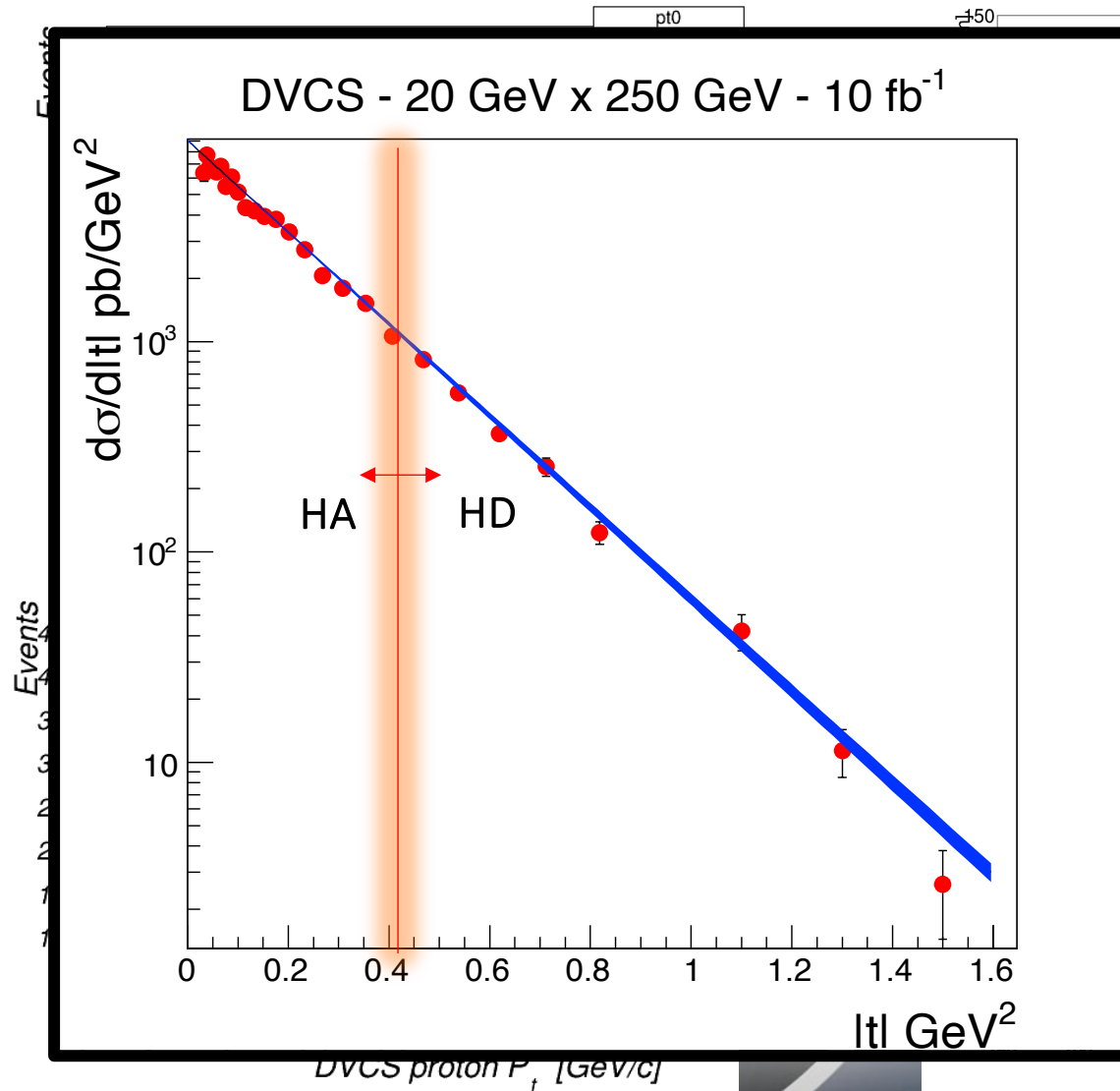


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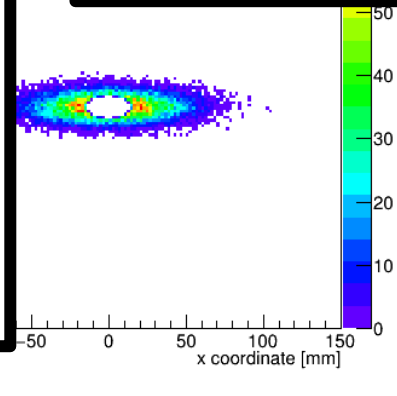
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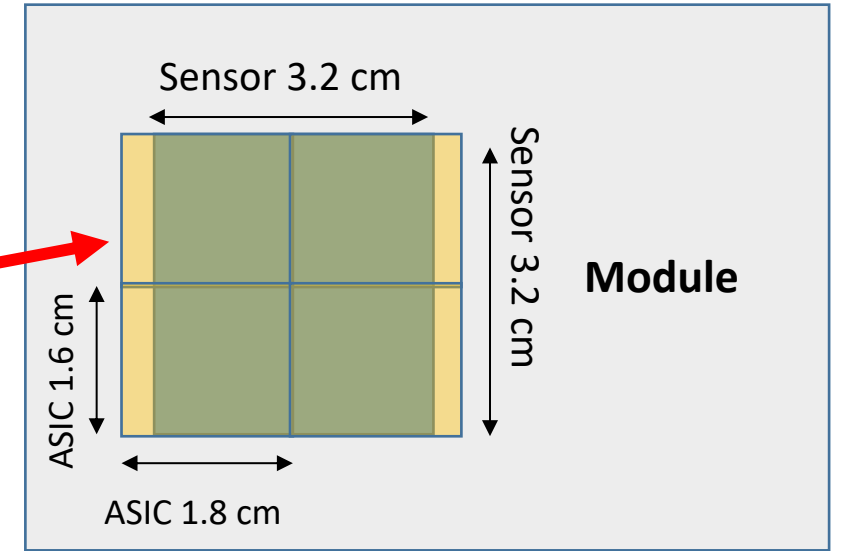
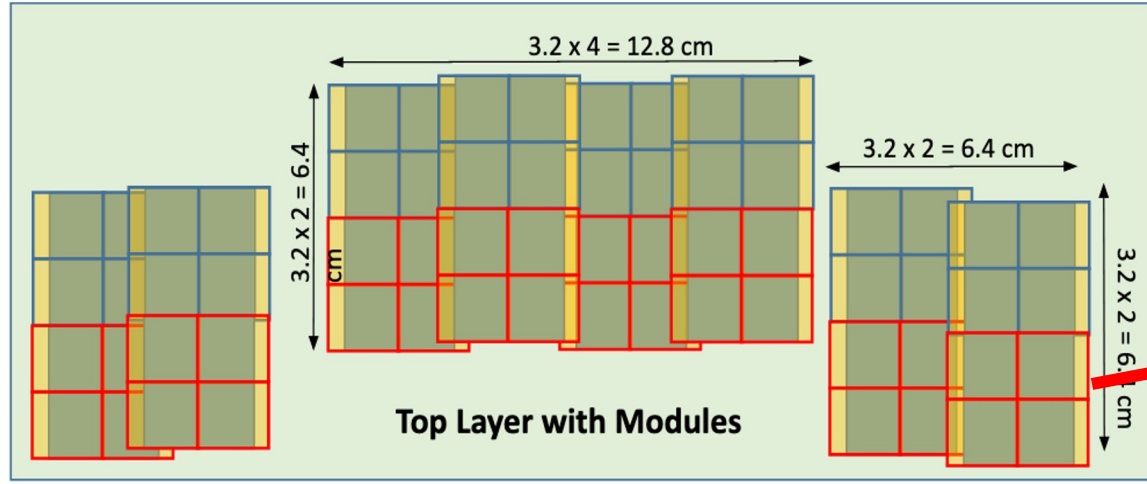
Using the two configurations, we are able to measure the low- t region (with better acceptance) and high- t tail (with higher luminosity).



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- Updated layout with current design for AC-LGAD sensor + ASIC.



- Current R&D aimed at customizing ASIC readout chip (ALTIROC) for use with AC-LGADs.

| ASIC size | ASIC Pixel pitch | # Ch. per ASIC | # ASICs per module | Sensor area | # Mod. per layer | Total # ASICs | Total # Ch. | Total Si Area |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| 1.6x1.8 cm ² | 500 μm | 32x32 | 4 | 3.2x3.2 cm ² | 32 | 512 | 524,288 | 1,311 cm ² |