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ANALYSIS OF FRAGMENTATION CROSS SECTIONS OF GSI 2021 DATA FOR THE FOOT EXPERIMENT

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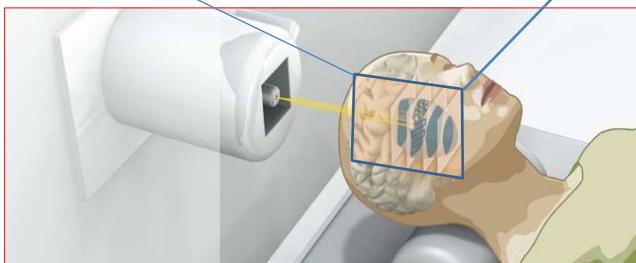
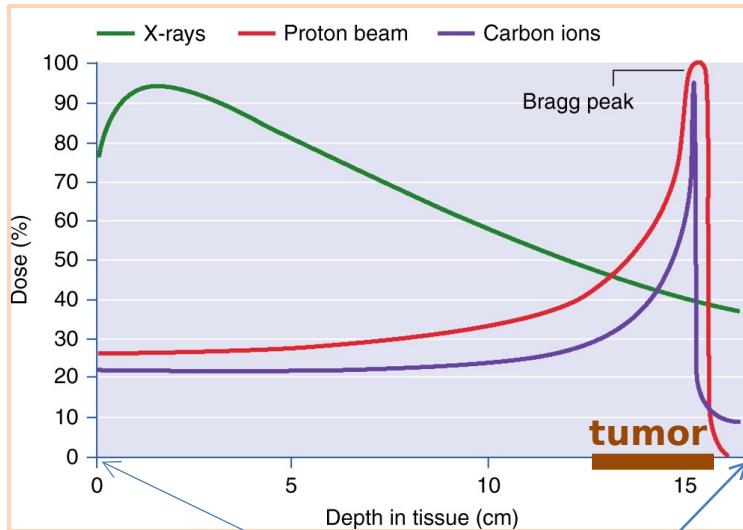


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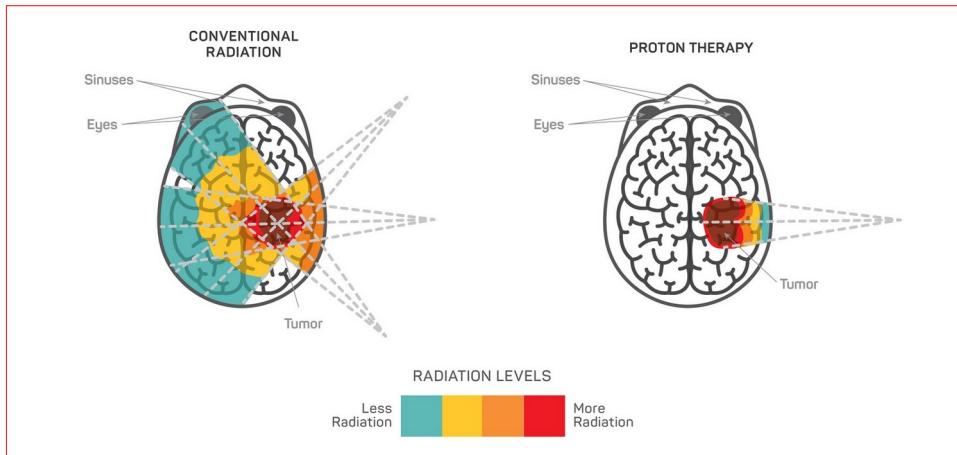
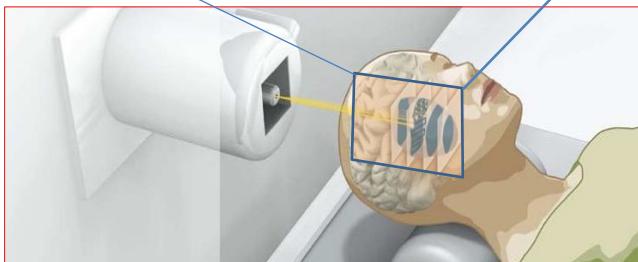
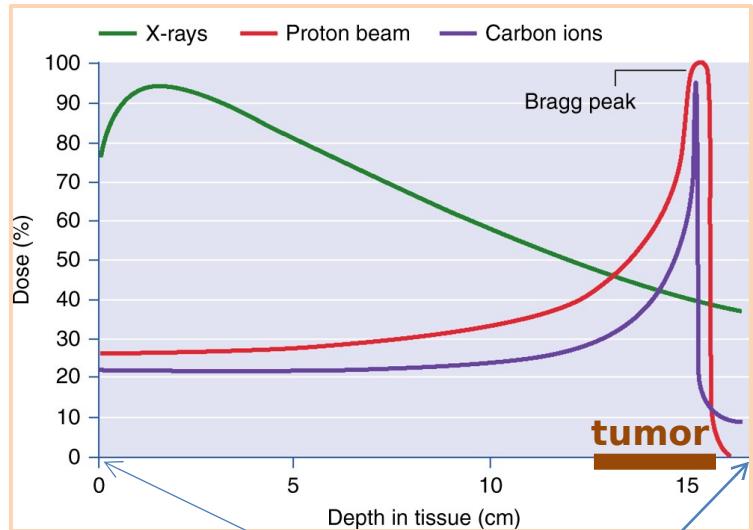
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Hadrontherapy vs radiotherapy:

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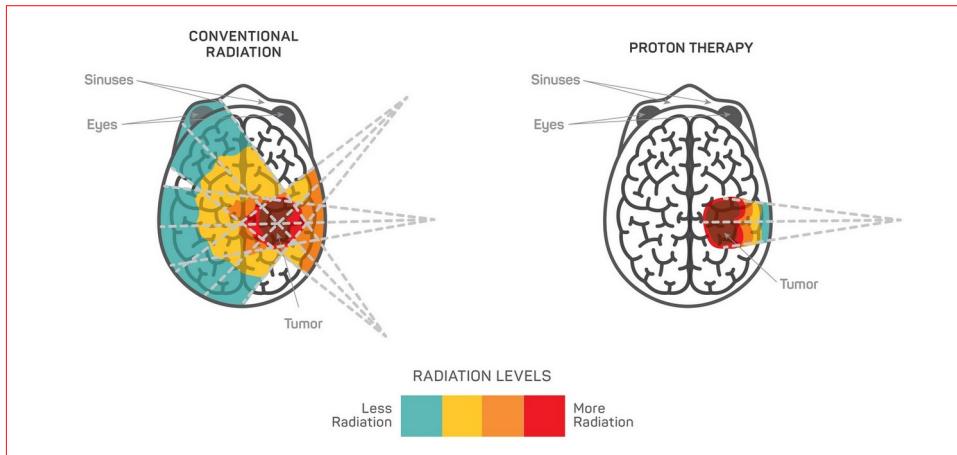
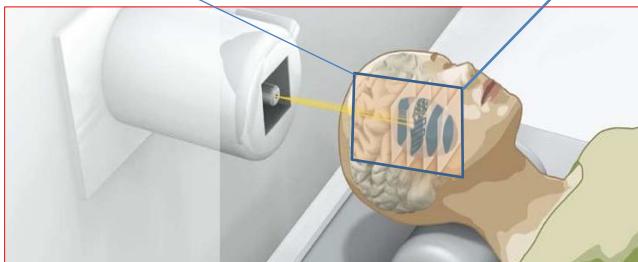
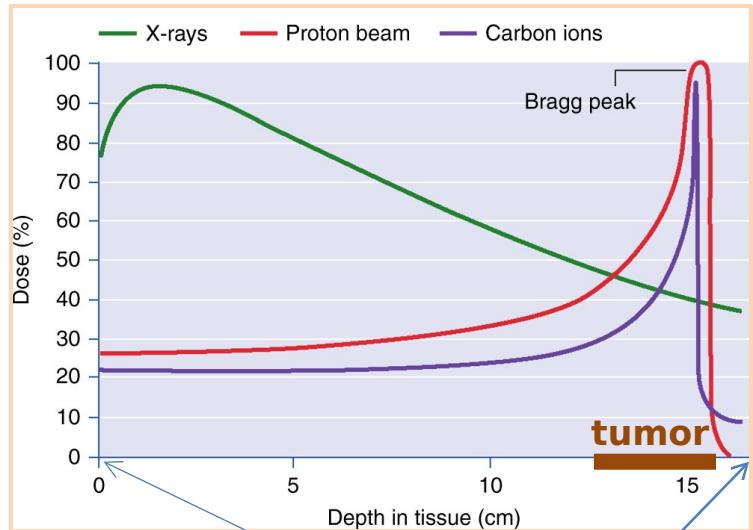
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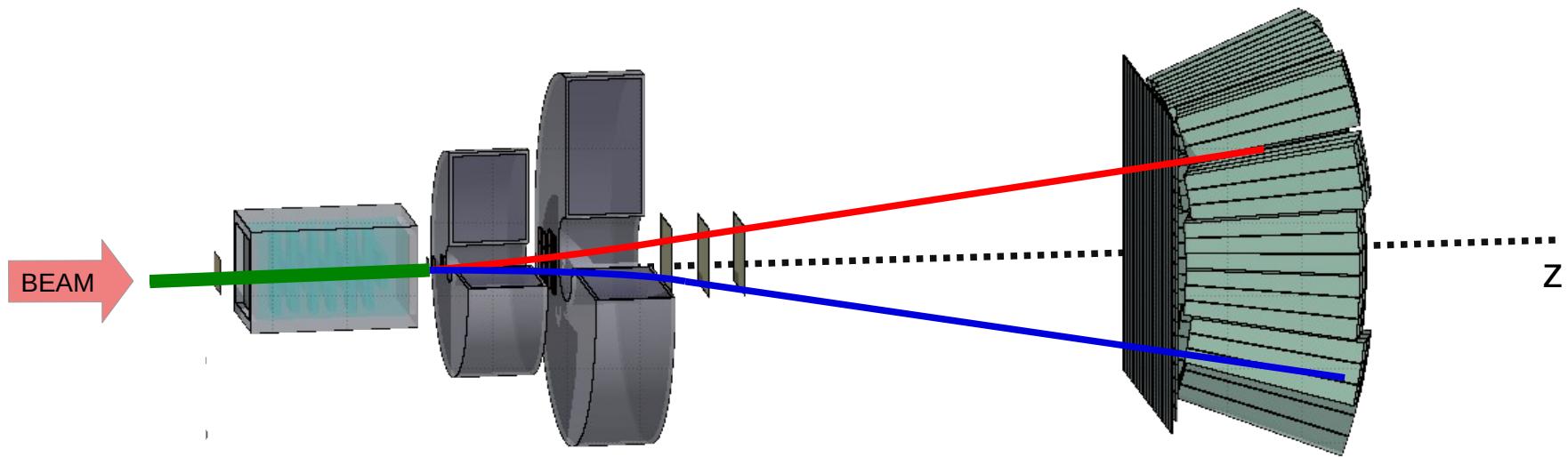
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- ✗ Nuclear Fragmentation

The FOOT experiment

Goal:

double differential **nuclear cross section** measurements with uncertainty < 5%

- Fixed target collisions
- Beam energies between 200 MeV/u and 700 MeV/u for **hadrontherapy** and **space radioprotection** topics
- **table top setup** to be moved according to beam facility availability

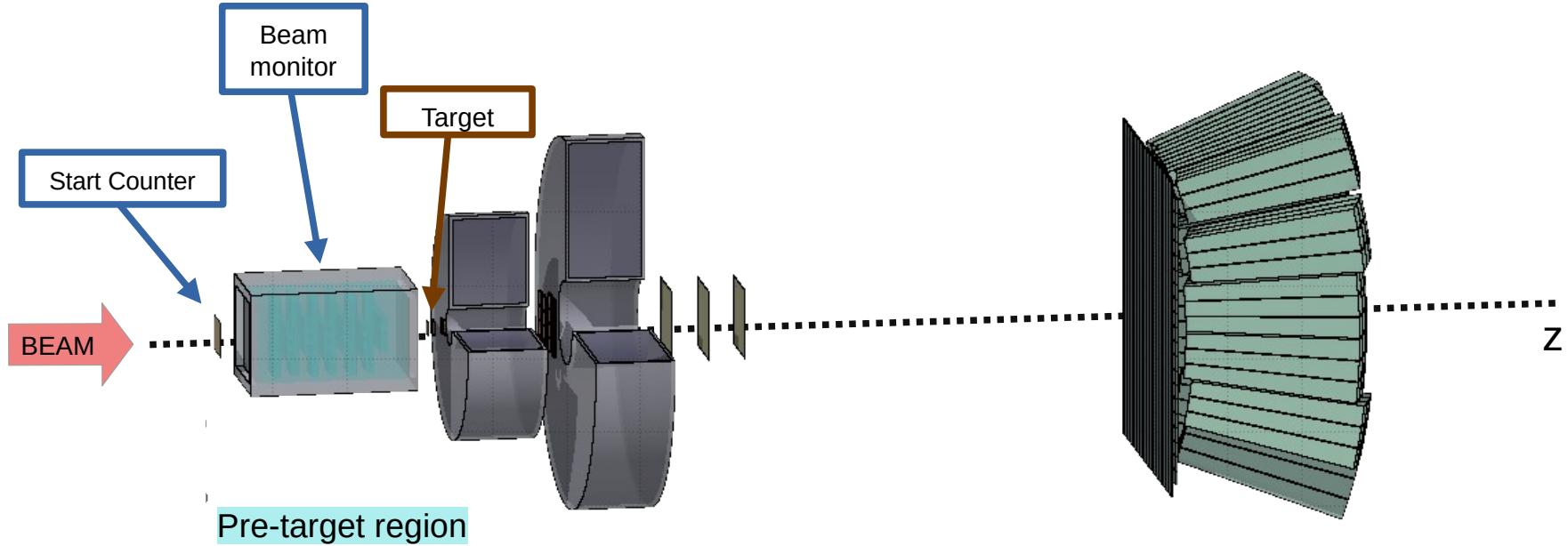


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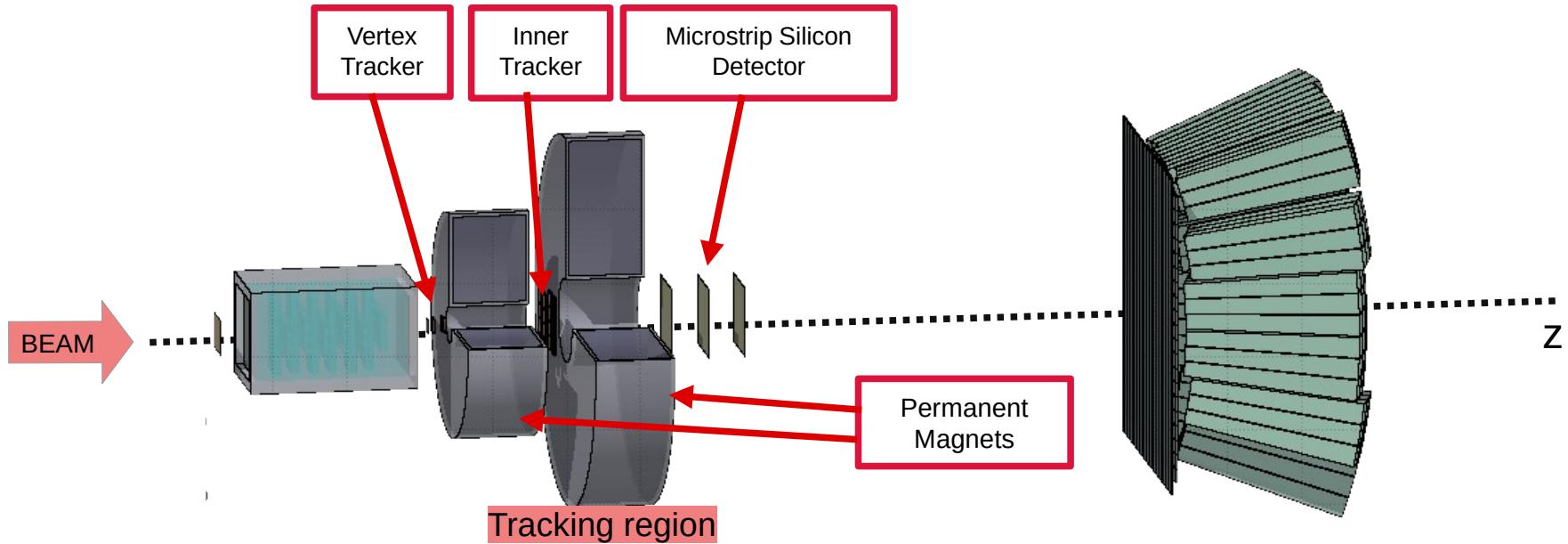


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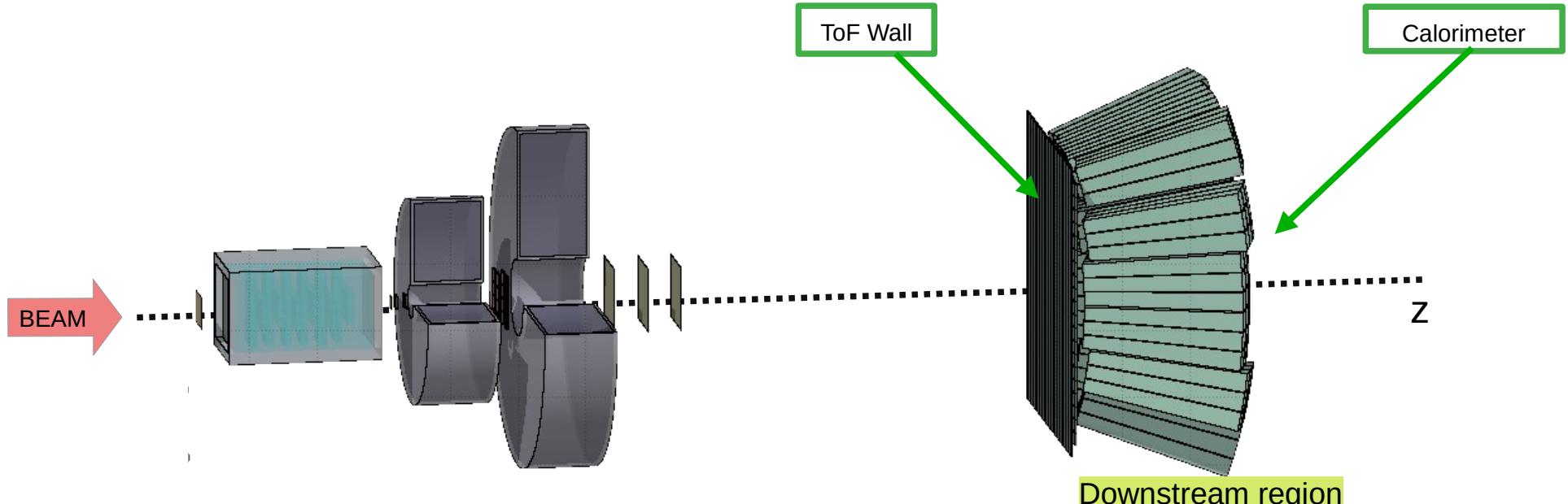


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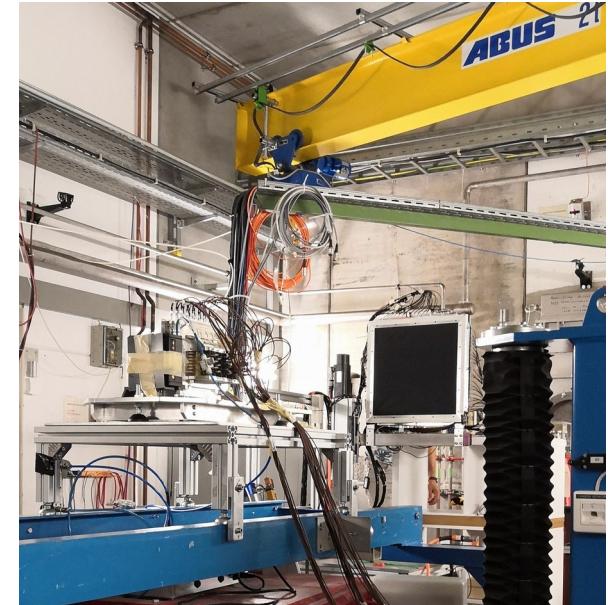
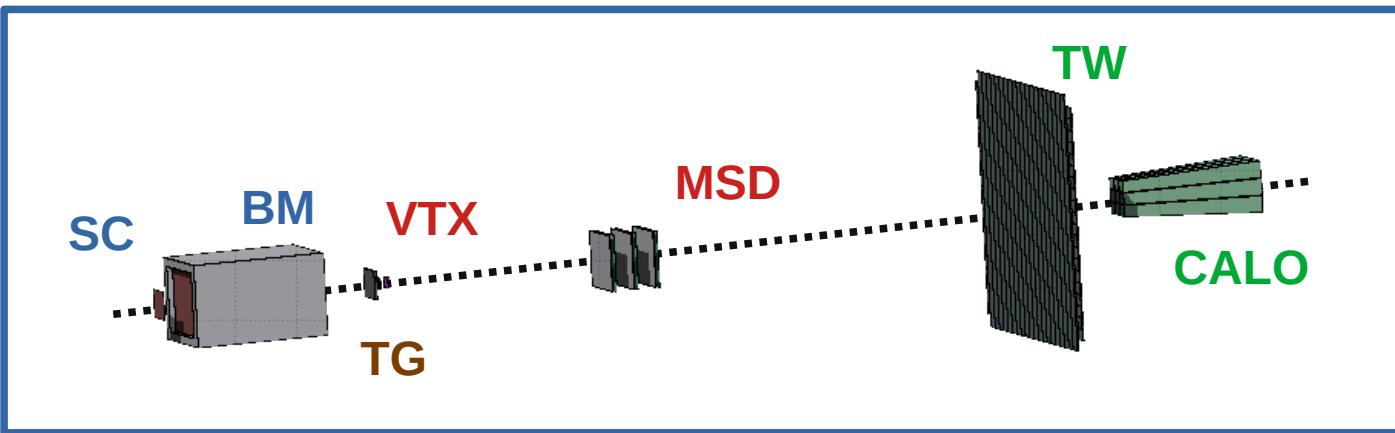
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GSI 2021 Analysis

- Data-taking at GSI (Darmstadt, Germany) in 2021
- ^{16}O 400 MeV/u on 5 mm C target
- Partial setup: no magnet, only one module of calorimeter



Specific goal:

- Elemental (charge differential) fragmentation cross section
- Angular differential cross section in charge

Analysis procedure

To compute elemental cross section and angular differential cross section:

$$\sigma(Z) = \frac{Y(Z) - B(Z)}{N_{beam} N_{target} \epsilon(Z)}$$

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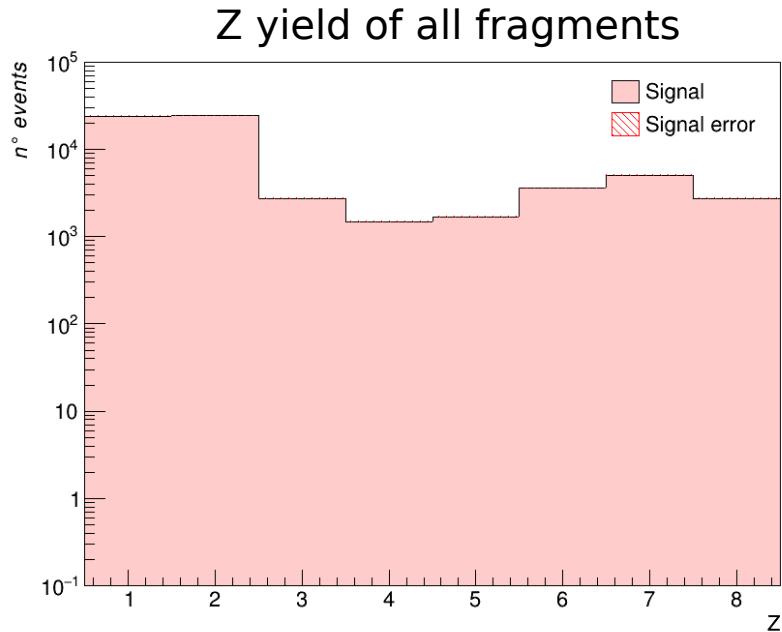
- 1) Starting from a **MC dataset** of 10^6 events generated by FLUKA to simulate detectors and beams of GSI 2021 campaign.

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2) Yield of Z obtained from reconstructed tracks

- Exploiting **charge** reconstruction algorithm
- Exploiting **tracking** reconstruction algorithm
- Simulating a “**trigger**” in order to consider only fragments



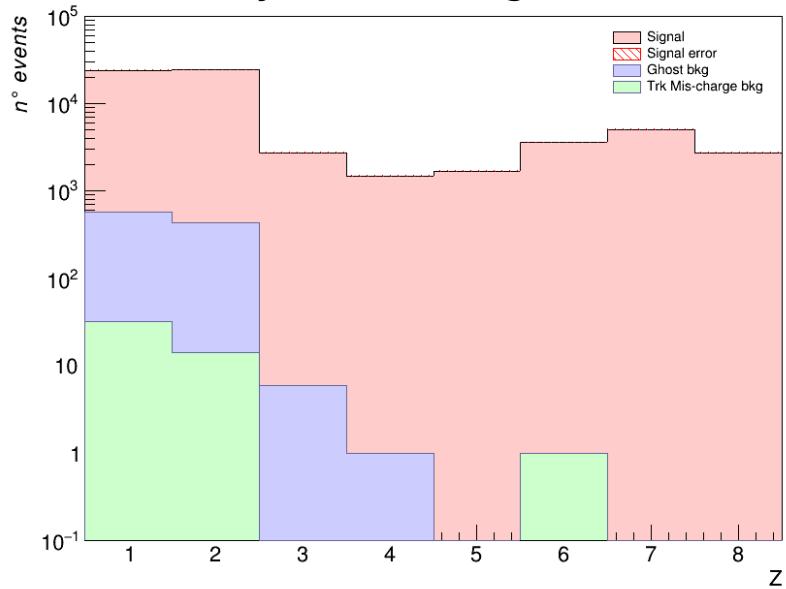
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3) Background obtained from MC cuts on:

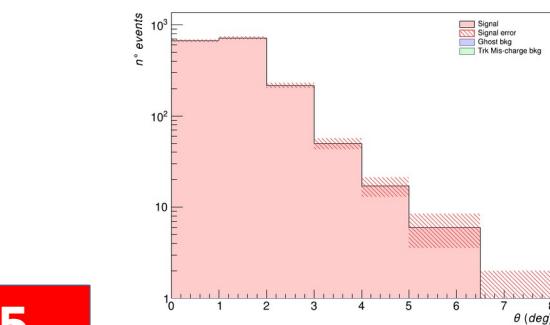
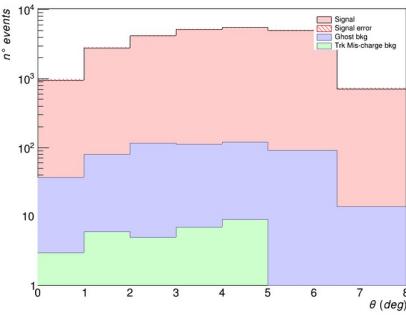
- Charge algorithm mis-reconstruction
- Tracking algorithm mis-reconstruction

Z yield and Bkg sources

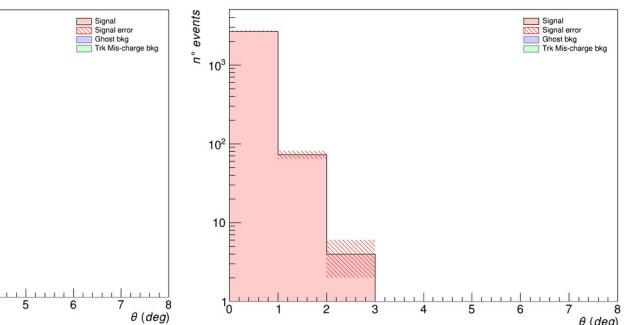
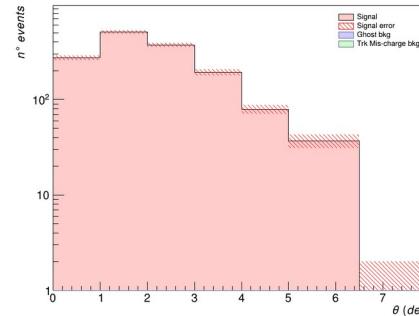
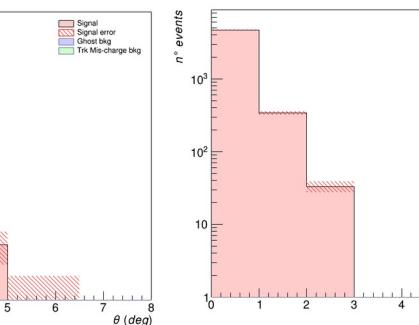
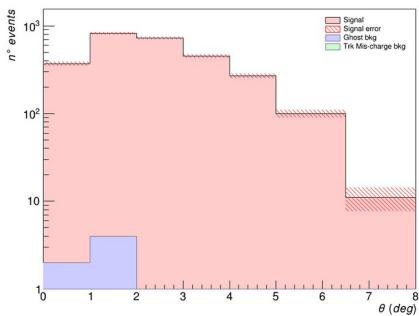
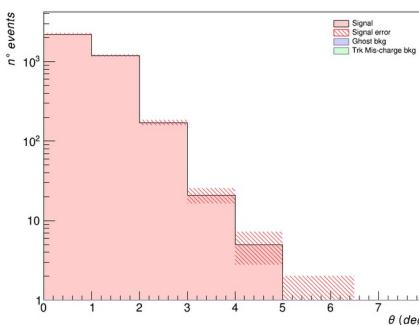
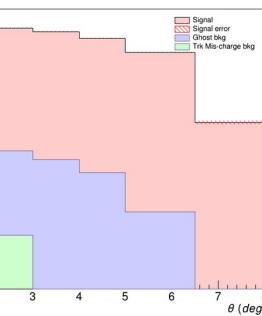


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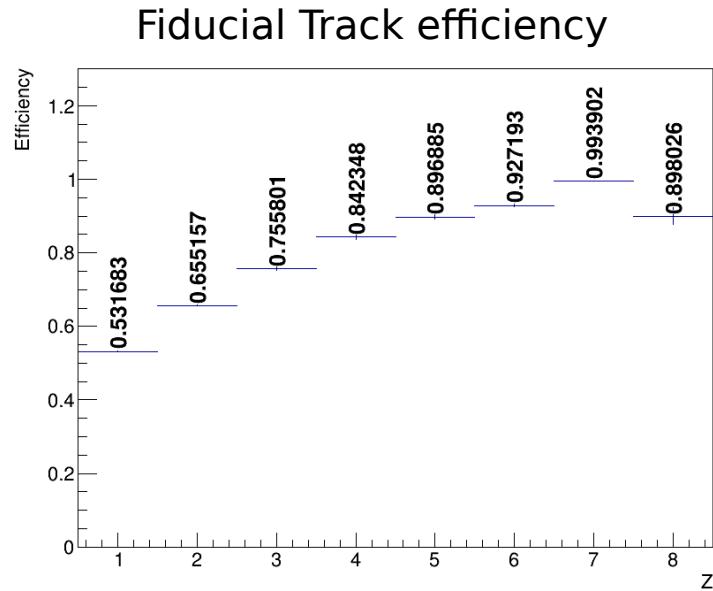
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4) Track efficiency obtained as:

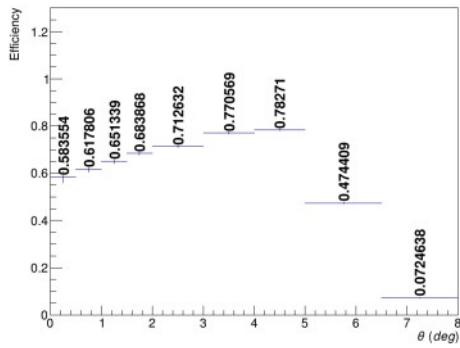
$$\epsilon(Z) = \frac{N_{track}(Z)}{N_{true}(Z)}$$

$$\epsilon(Z, \theta) = \frac{N_{track}(Z, \theta)}{N_{true}(Z, \theta)}$$

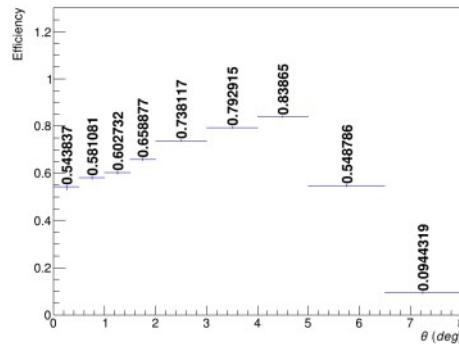
- where track is obtained by tracking algorithm
- MC particles are from the generated simulation



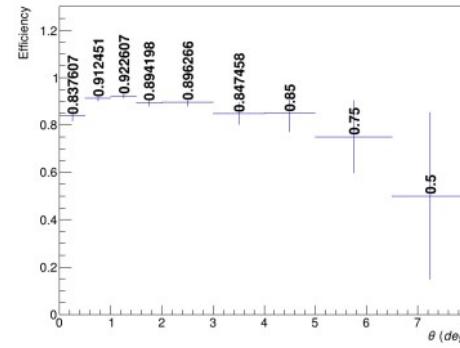
Angular efficiencies



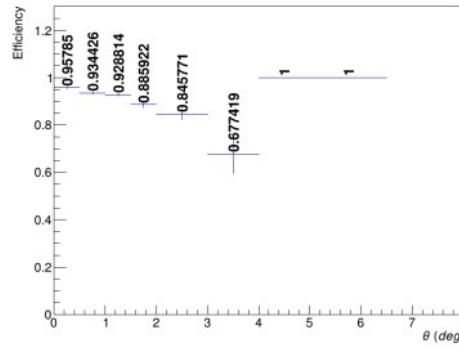
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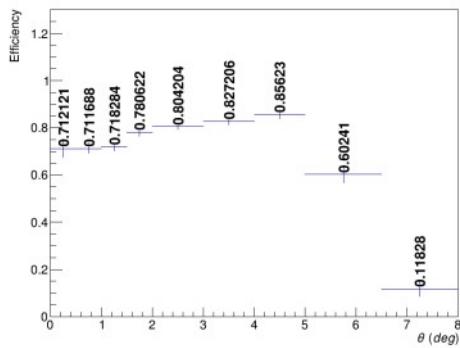
(b) $Z=2$



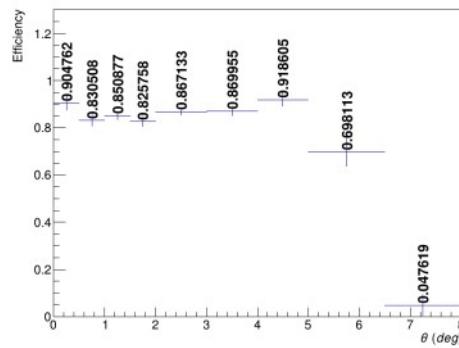
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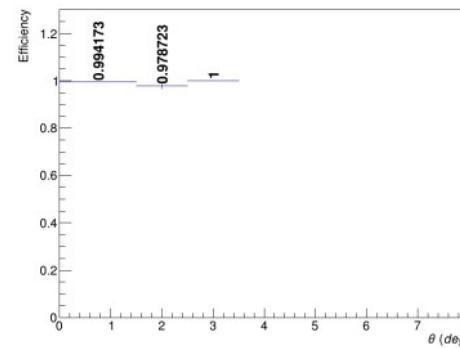
(f) $Z=6$



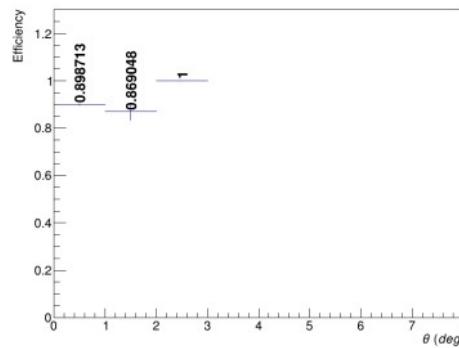
(c) $Z=3$



(d) $Z=4$



(g) $Z=7$



(h) $Z=8$

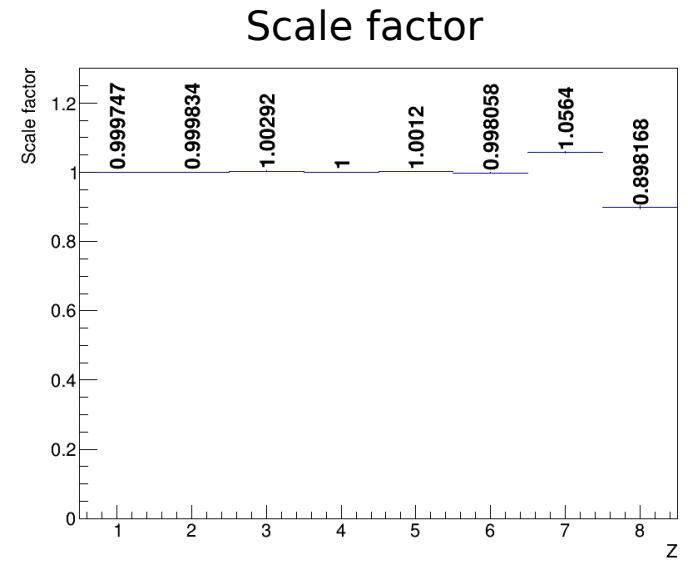
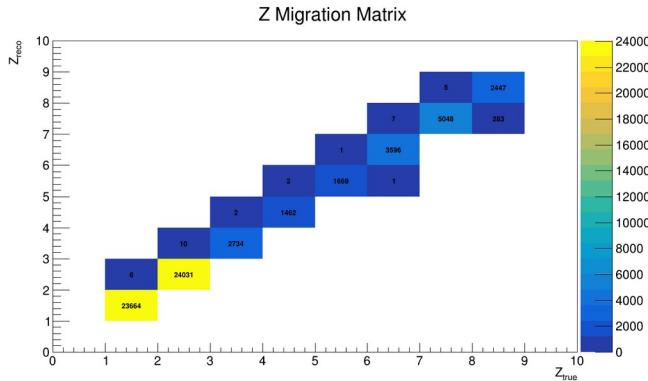
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4) Migration matrix correction as scale factor:

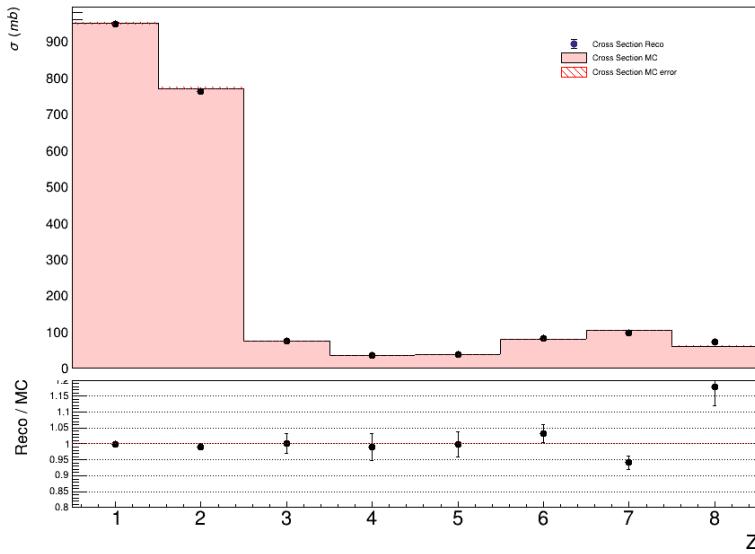
$$\gamma(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)_{reco} - Y(Z)_{reco}^{mis} + Y(Z)_{gen}^{mis}}{Y(Z)_{reco}}$$



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4) MC cross section measurement (fiducial $\theta < 8^\circ$)

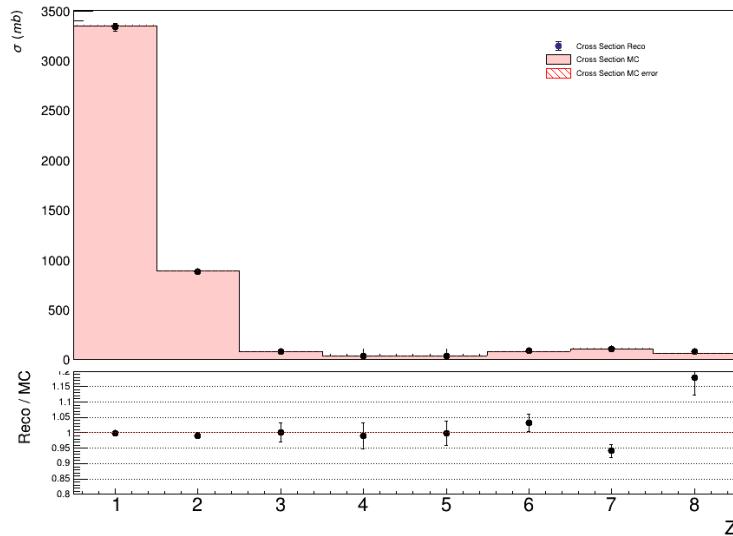


Charge	σ_{meas} (mb)	σ_{MC} (mb)
$Z = 1$	946 ± 9	949 ± 4
$Z = 2$	762 ± 7	770 ± 4
$Z = 3$	74.1 ± 1.3	74.1 ± 1.2
$Z = 4$	35.3 ± 1.5	35.2 ± 1.2
$Z = 5$	37.4 ± 1.6	37.2 ± 1.7
$Z = 6$	82.8 ± 1.7	79.3 ± 1.2
$Z = 7$	97.3 ± 1.4	103.0 ± 1.5
$Z = 8$	72.2 ± 3	61.3 ± 1.3

Analysis procedure

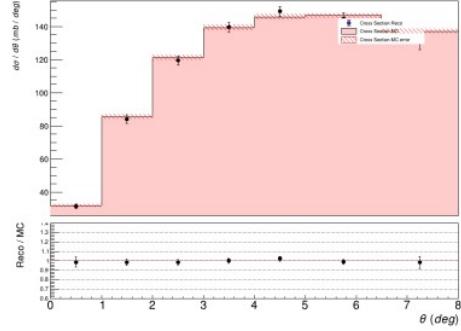
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4) MC cross section measurement (total)

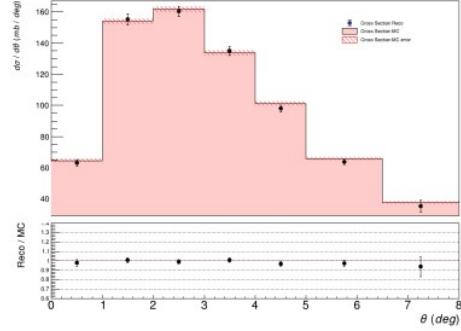


Charge	σ_{meas} (mb)	σ_{MC} (mb)
$Z = 1$	3340 ± 40	3346 ± 9
$Z = 2$	880 ± 9	888 ± 4
$Z = 3$	80 ± 2	80.2 ± 1.3
$Z = 4$	37.8 ± 1.3	38.2 ± 0.9
$Z = 5$	40.5 ± 1.3	40.6 ± 0.9
$Z = 6$	87.5 ± 1.9	84.7 ± 1.4
$Z = 7$	104.2 ± 1.9	110.8 ± 1.6
$Z = 8$	78 ± 4	66 ± 2

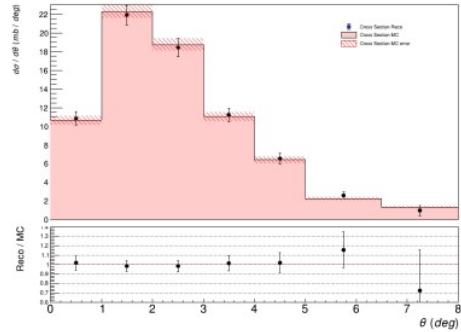
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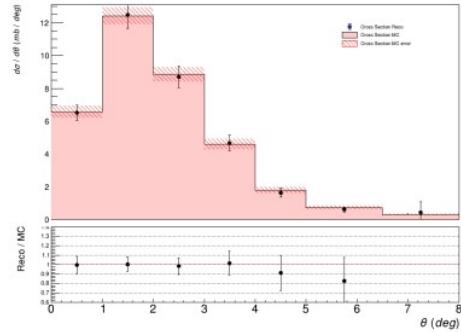
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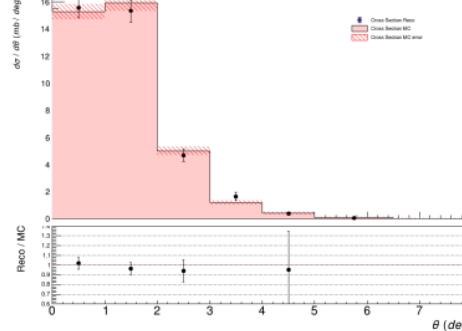
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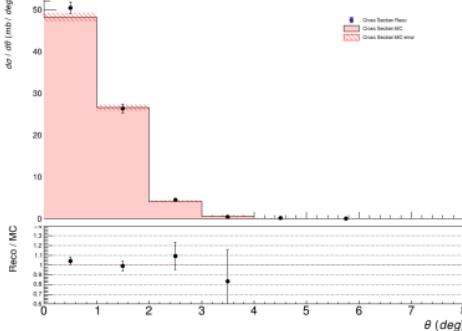
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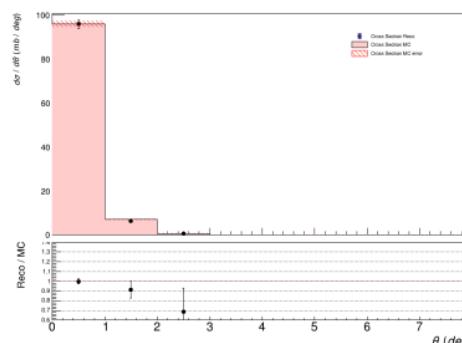
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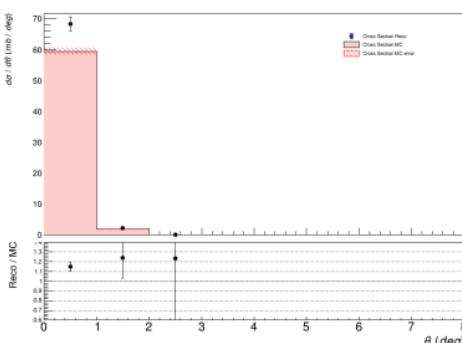
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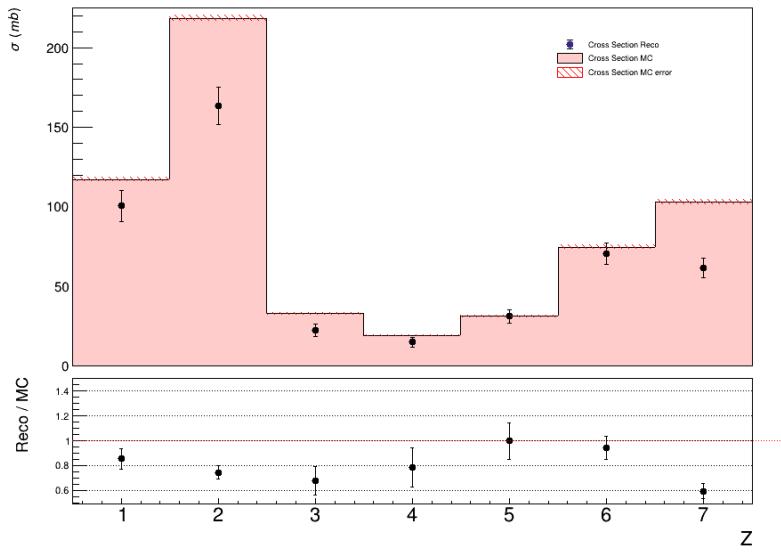
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Analysis procedure

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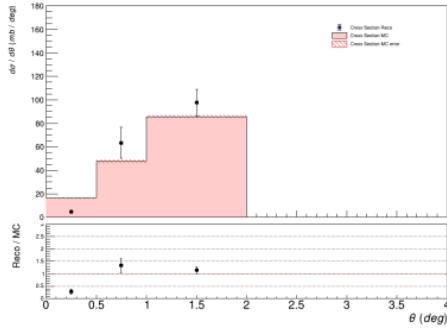
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\theta}(Z) = \frac{Y(Z, \theta) - B}{N_{beam} N_{target} \Omega_\theta \epsilon(Z, \theta)}$$

4) experimental cross section measurement (fiducial $\theta < 2.5^\circ$)

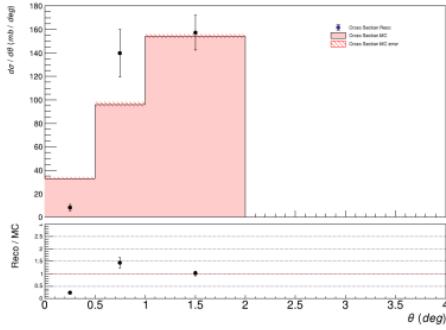


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$Z = 2$	163 ± 11	218 ± 2
$Z = 3$	22 ± 3	32.3 ± 1.2
$Z = 4$	14 ± 2	18.4 ± 1.3
$Z = 5$	31 ± 4	31.1 ± 1.7
$Z = 6$	70 ± 6	74.3 ± 1.2
$Z = 7$	61 ± 6	103 ± 2

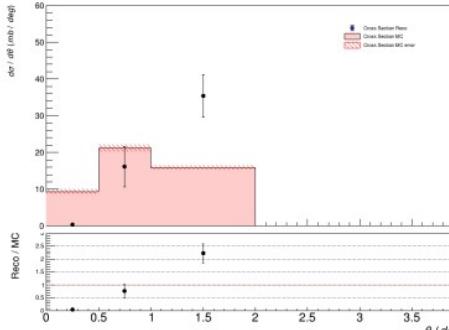
Experimental differential XS



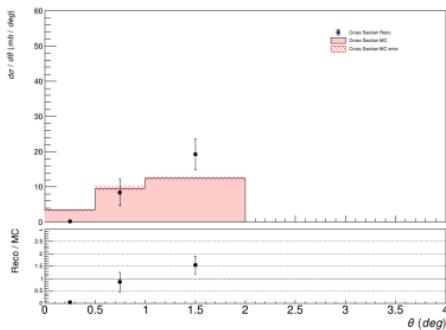
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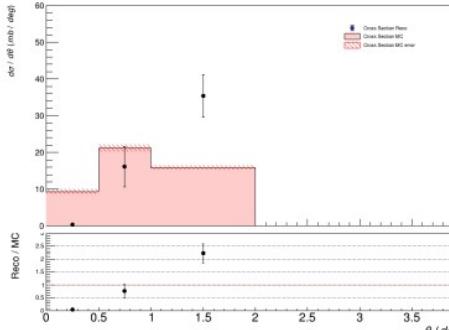
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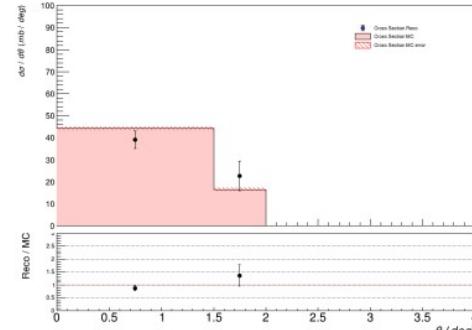
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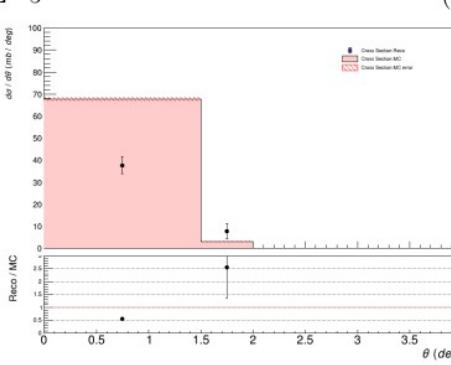
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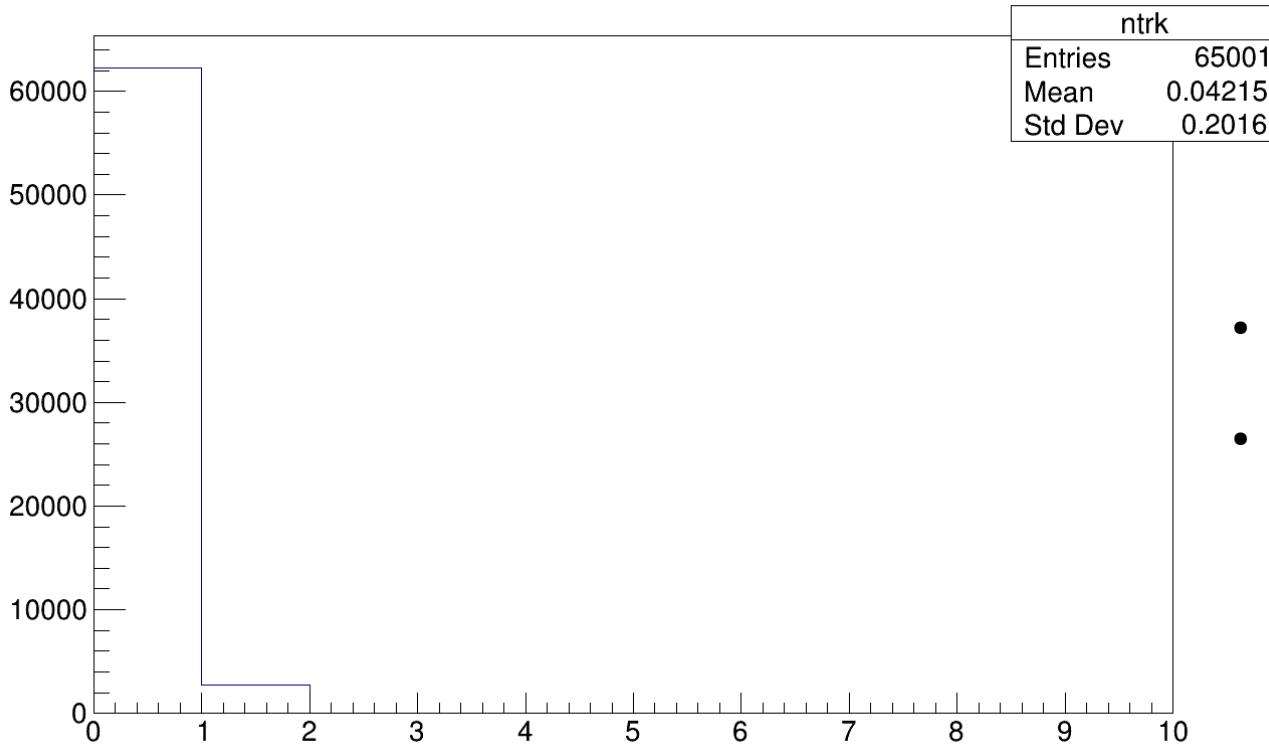
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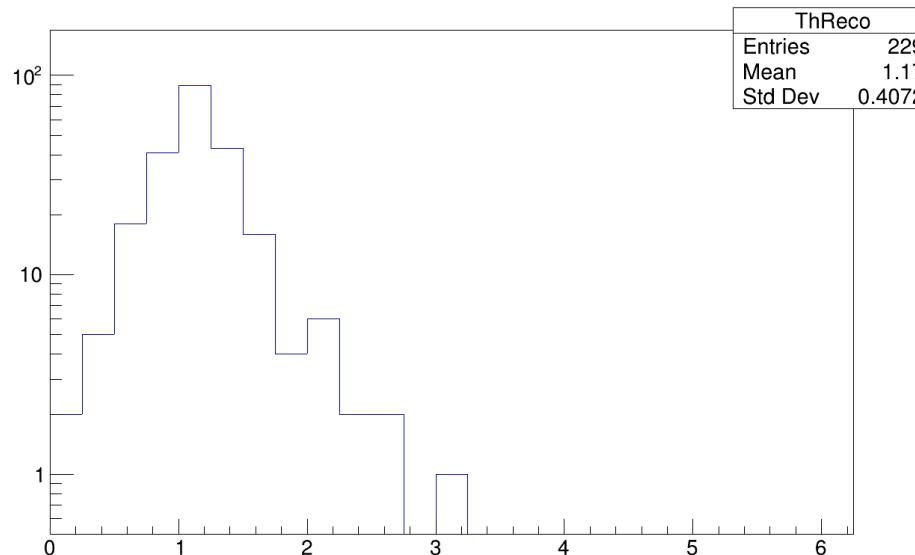
Experimental data issues



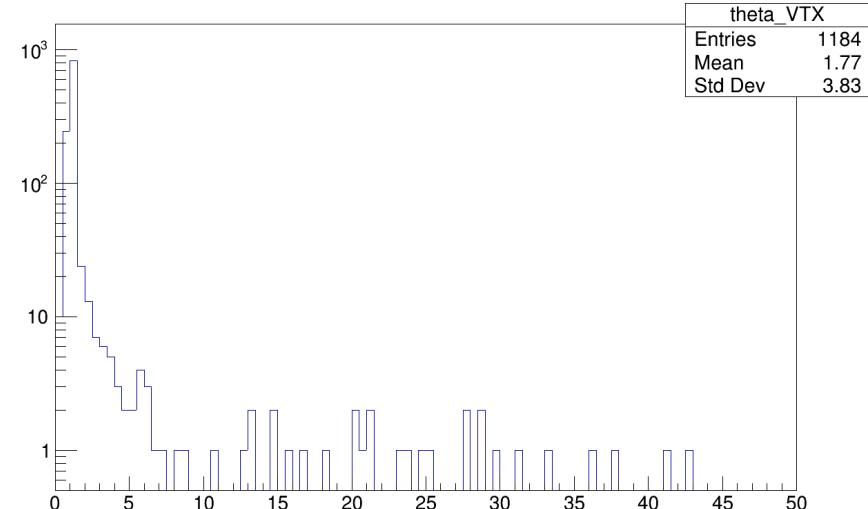
- GLB tracking
4 points (**VT**) + 1 (**TW**)
- High inefficiency in track reconstruction

Is it a problem of VT?

Global vs VT theta



Global theta

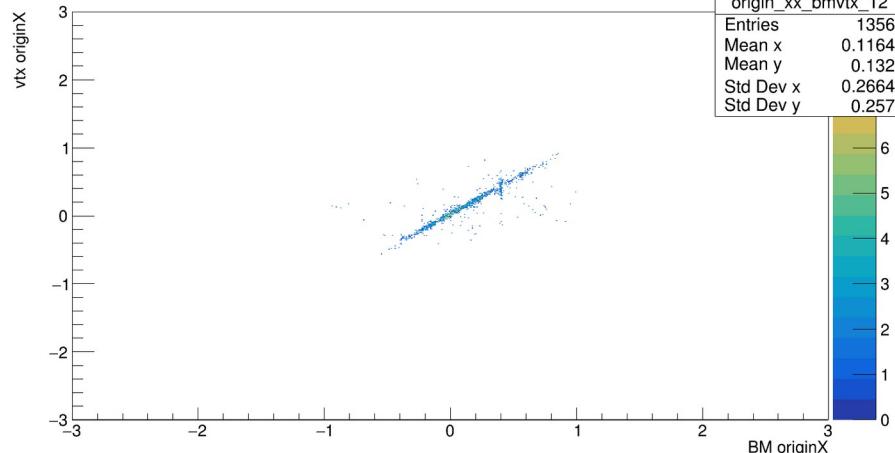


VT theta

It seems tracks with wider angle aperture are not reconstructed

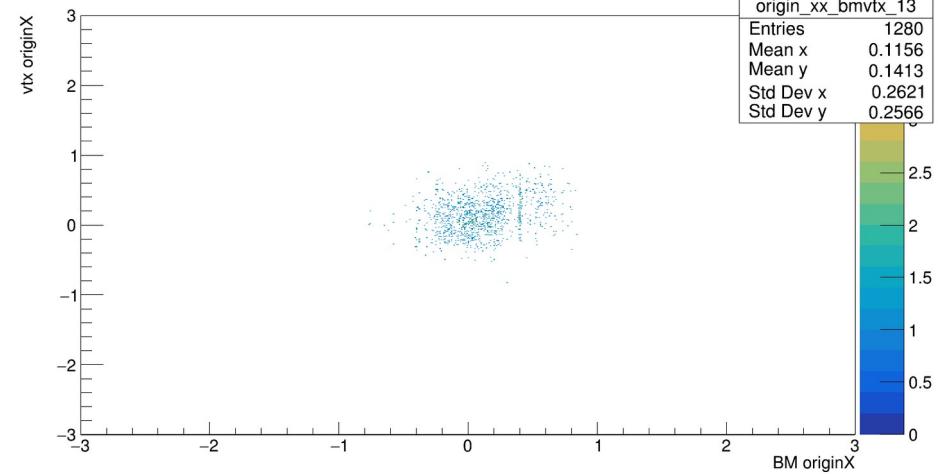
VT synch

BM originX vs VTX originX current bunch of events



correlazione tracce bm-vtx per eventi fino a 60 k

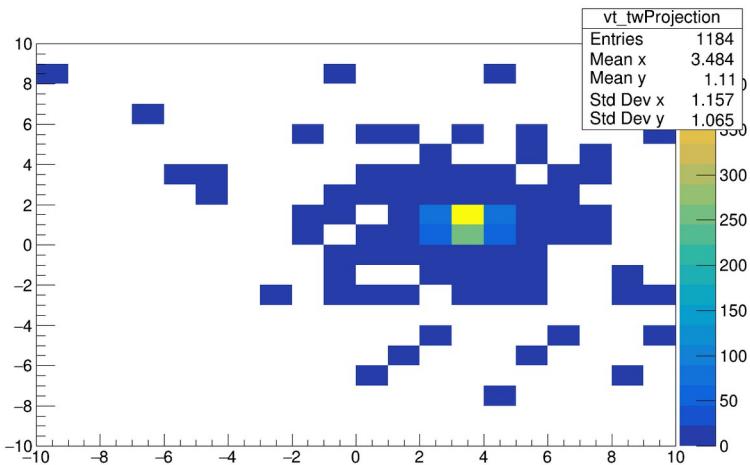
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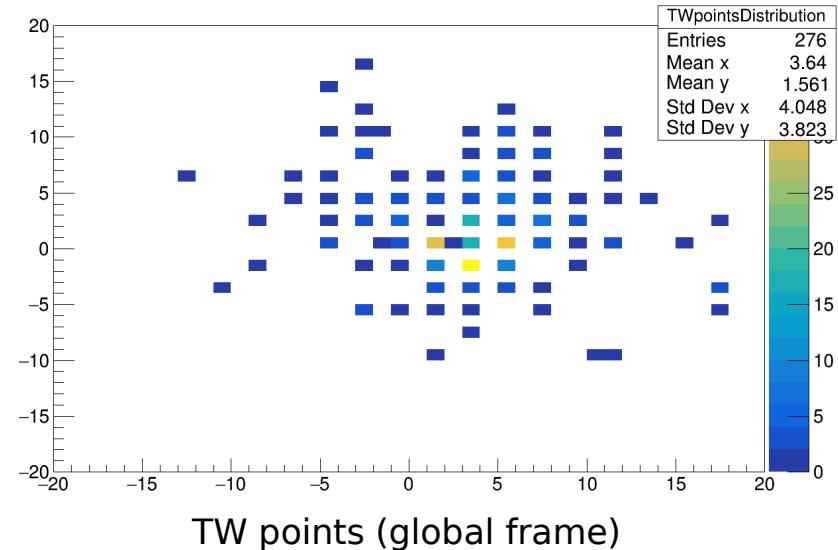
correlazione tracce bm-vtx per eventi da 60k a 65k

→ events up to 65000 are synchronized

fragments



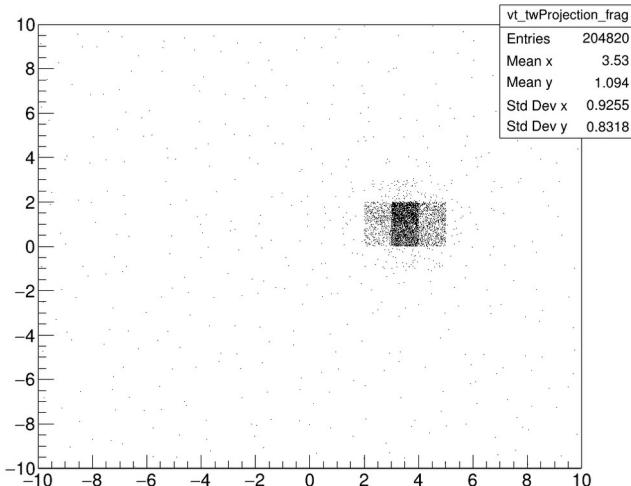
Projection of the tracklet in the TW in global frame



TW points (global frame)

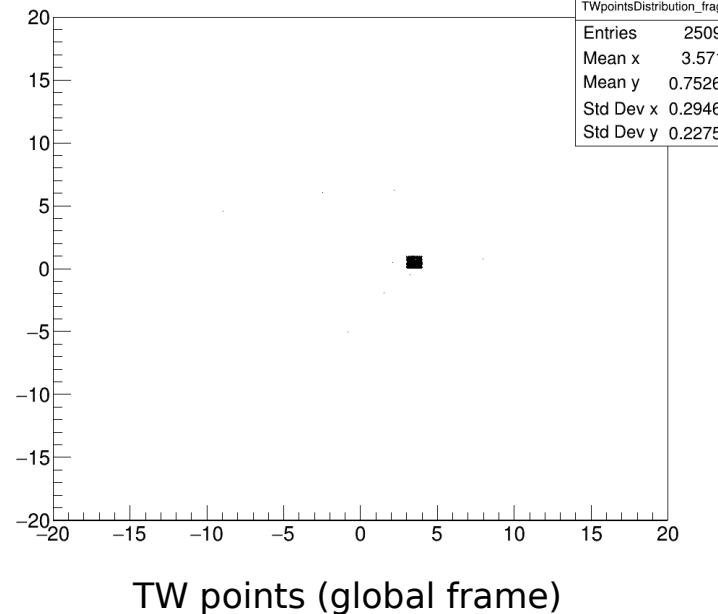
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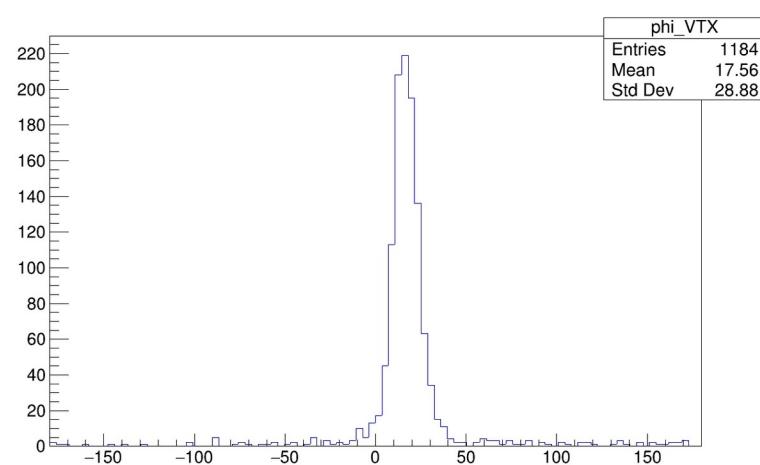


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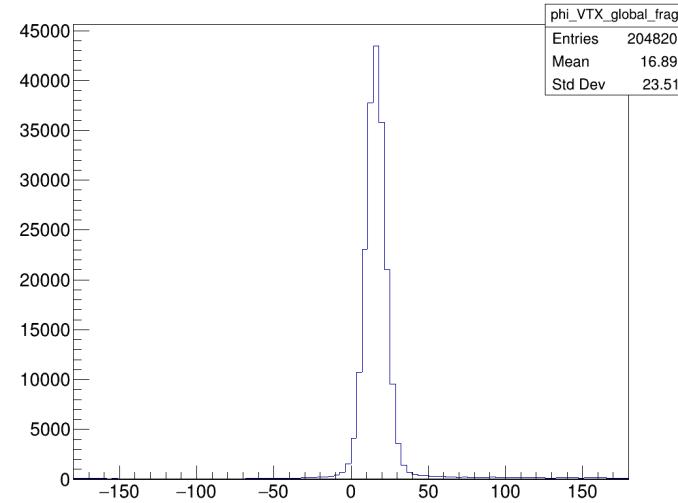
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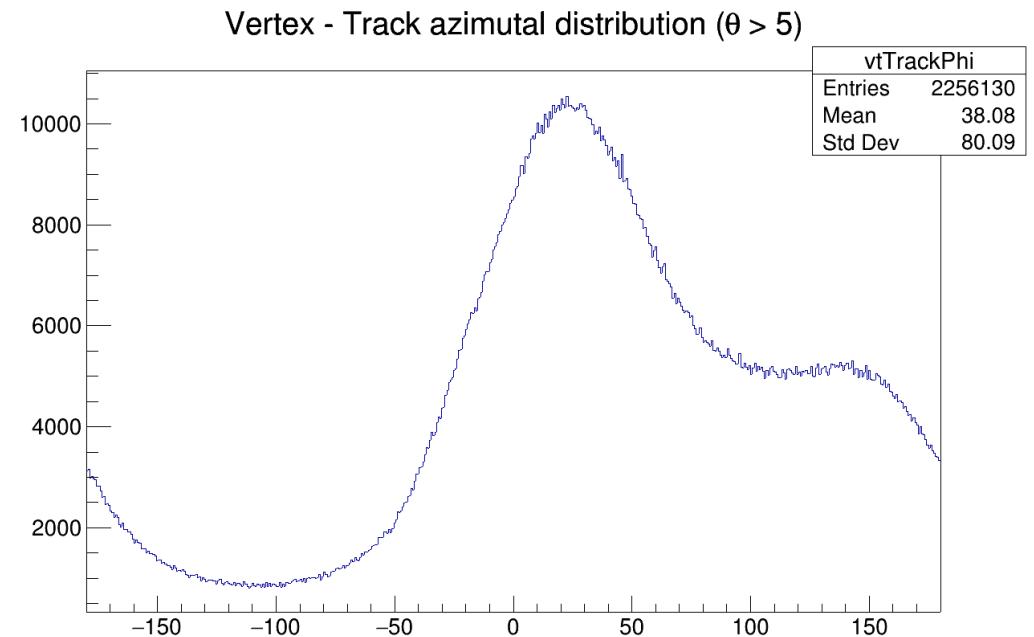
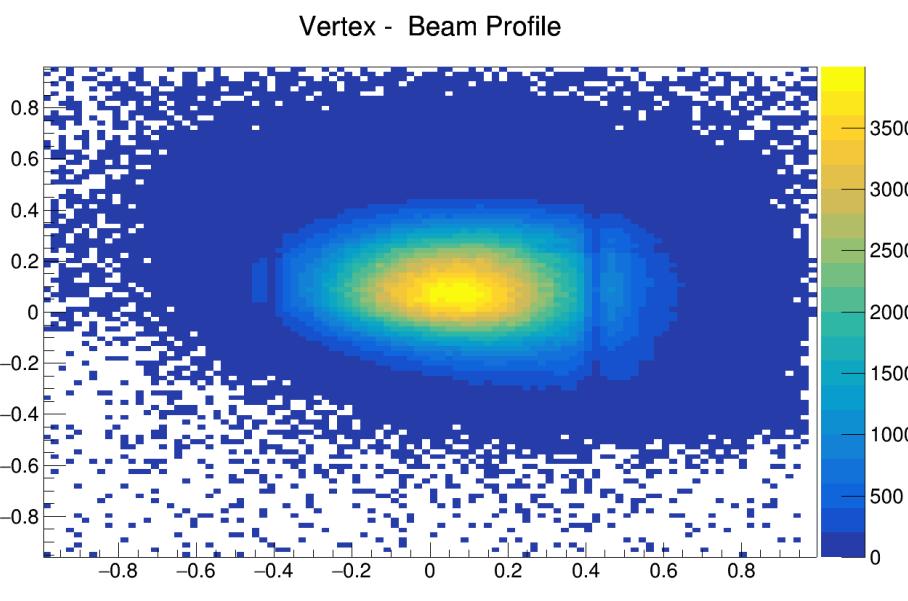
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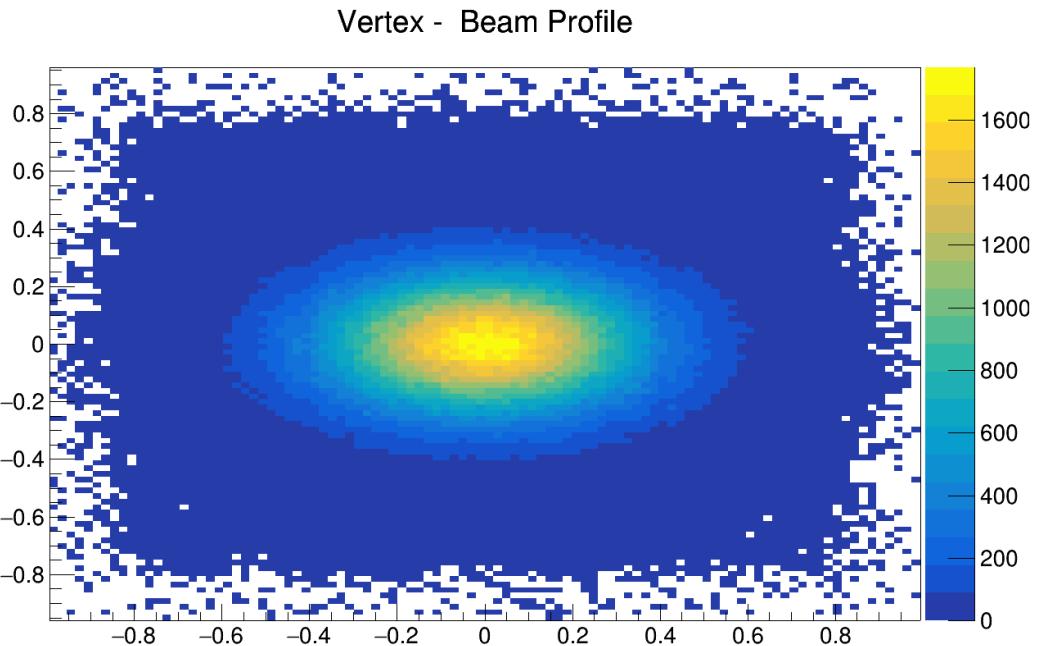
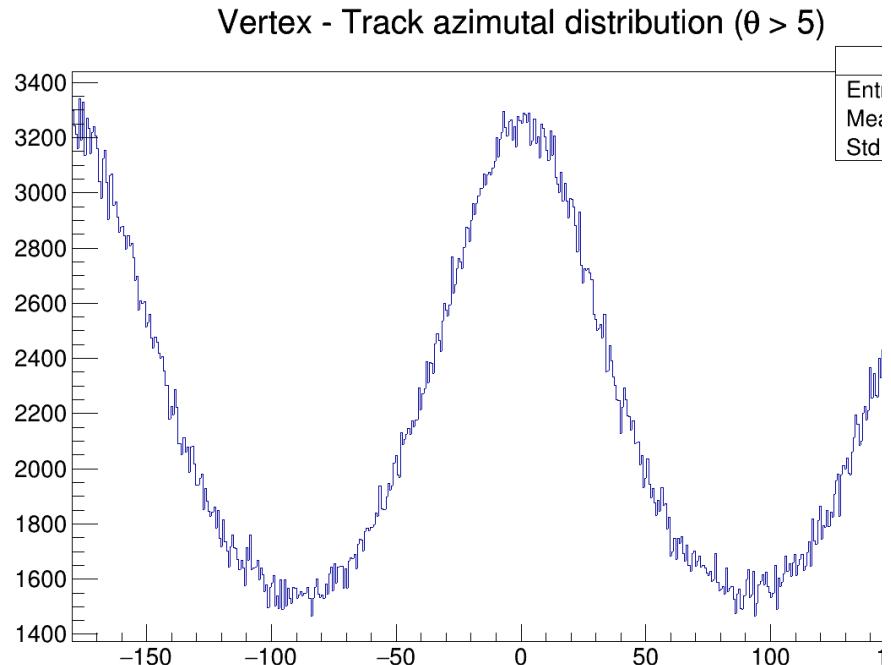
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- Azimuthal distribution peaked around $18^\circ \rightarrow$ is the VT tilted?

Phi distribution of ORIGIN of tracklets



MC Phi distribution of ORIGIN of tracklets



```
//  
//! Get theta angle in deg  
Float_t TAGbaseTrack::GetTheta() const  
{  
    TVector3 direction = fSlope->Unit();  
    Float_t theta      = direction.Theta()*TMath::RadToDeg();  
  
    return theta;  
}  
  
//  
//! Get phi angle in deg  
Float_t TAGbaseTrack::GetPhi() const  
{  
    TVector3 origin = fOrigin->Unit();  
    Float_t phi      = origin.Phi()*TMath::RadToDeg();  
  
    return phi;  
}
```



Conclusions

- First preliminary results of cross sections based on MC events with a **solid closure test**
- Study of background sources, corrections and efficiencies on MC level
- Low impact of statistic fluctuations

To do:

- Preliminary systematics uncertainties
- Including unfolding to correct for migrations
- Process real data
- Evaluating cross section differential also in kinematic energy and in mass
- Repeat the same steps for ^{16}O 200 MeV/u



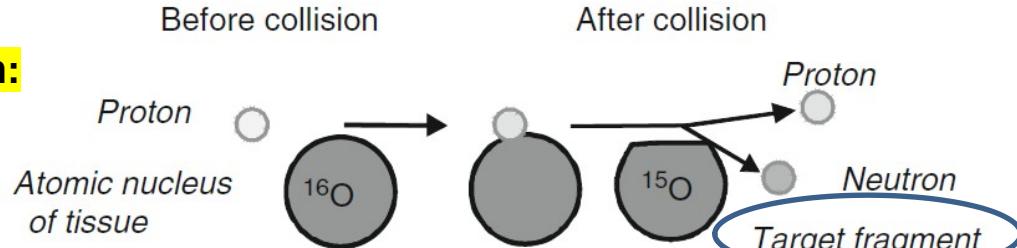
Thank you for the attention!

Backup slides

Nuclear fragmentation

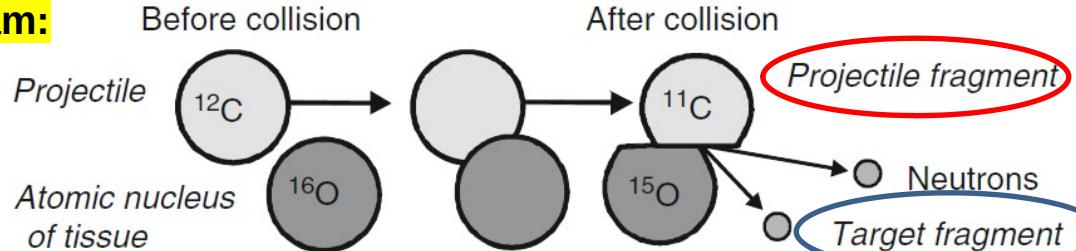
Proton beam:

~ 200 MeV



Carbon beam:

~ 400 MeV/u



Target fragments:

- ✗ Short range
- ✗ High energy impact in entrance channel

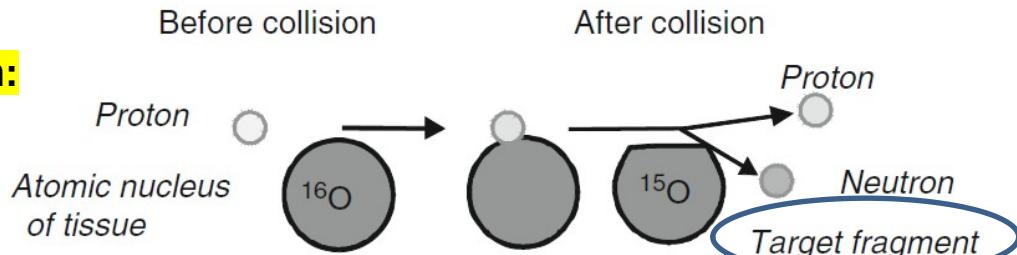
Projectile fragments:

- ✗ Longer range than beam
- ✗ Dose beyond the Bragg peak

Nuclear fragmentation

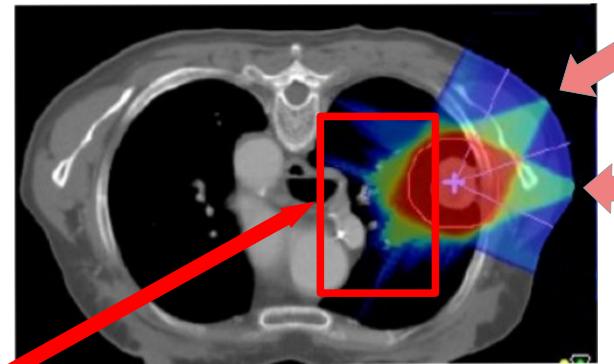
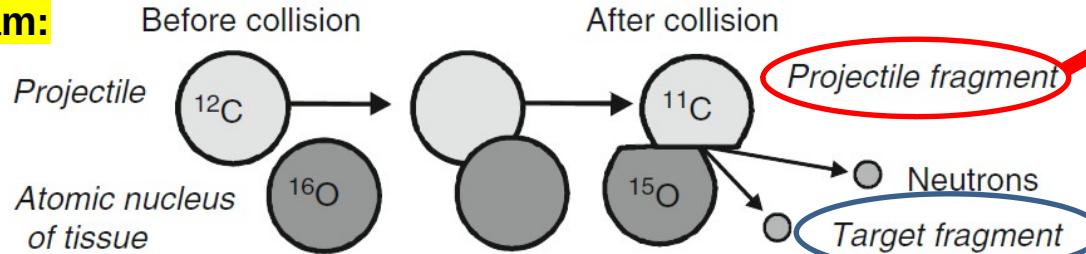
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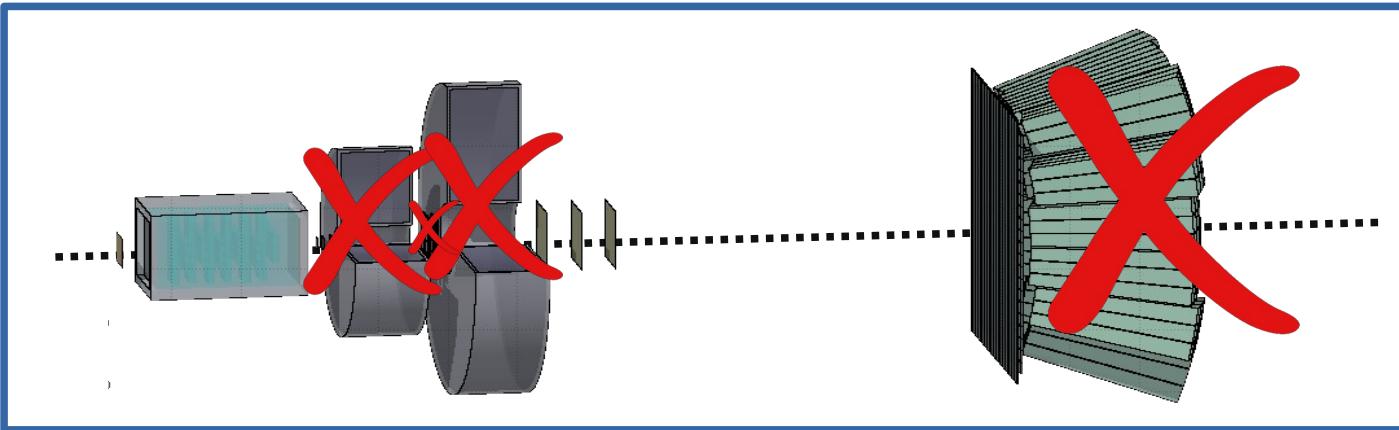


- Projectile fragments:
- ✗ Longer range than beam
 - ✗ Dose beyond the Bragg peak

nuclear cross section
measurements needed

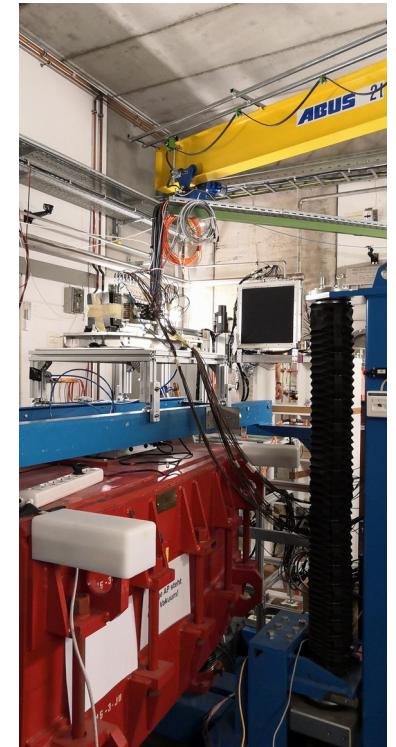
GSI 2021 Analysis

- Data-taking at GSI (Darmstadt, Germany) in 2021
- ^{16}O 400 MeV/u and 200 MeV/u on 5 mm C target
- Partial setup: no tracker, only one module of calorimeter



Specific goal:

- Elemental (charge differential) fragmentation cross section
- Angular charge double differential cross section

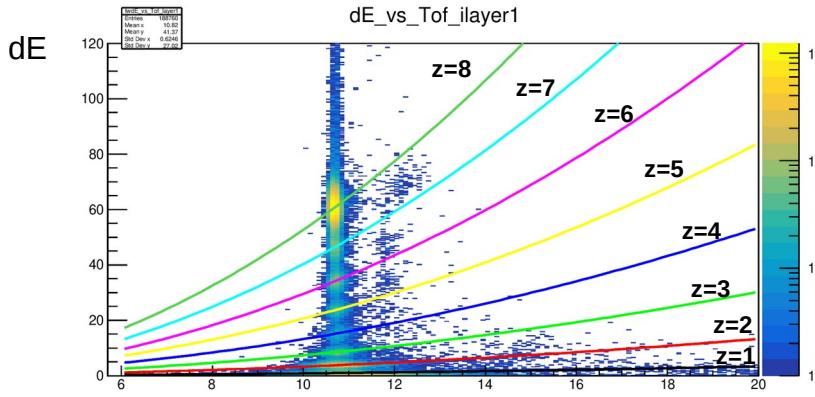


Fragments identification

- From Bethe – Bloch formula I can get z :

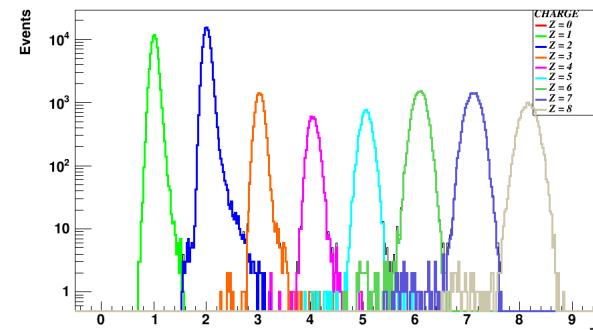
$$\frac{dE}{dx} = 4\pi N_e r_e^2 m_e c^2 \frac{z^2}{\beta^2} \left(\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\gamma)}{2} \right)$$

- Infos taken from SC and TW



TW charge reconstruction algo

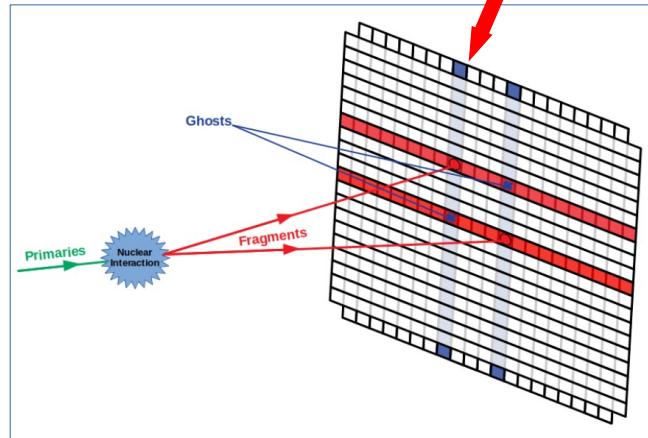
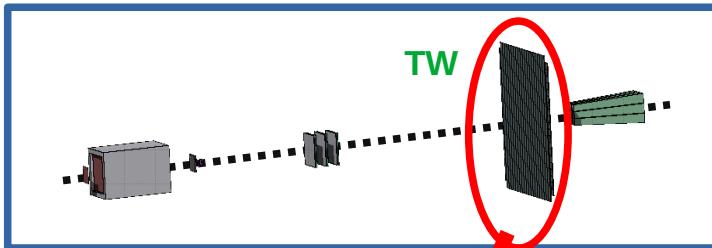
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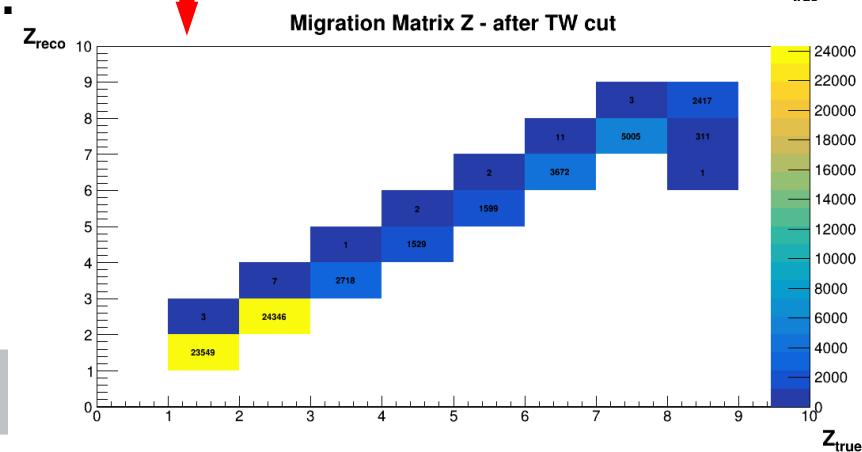
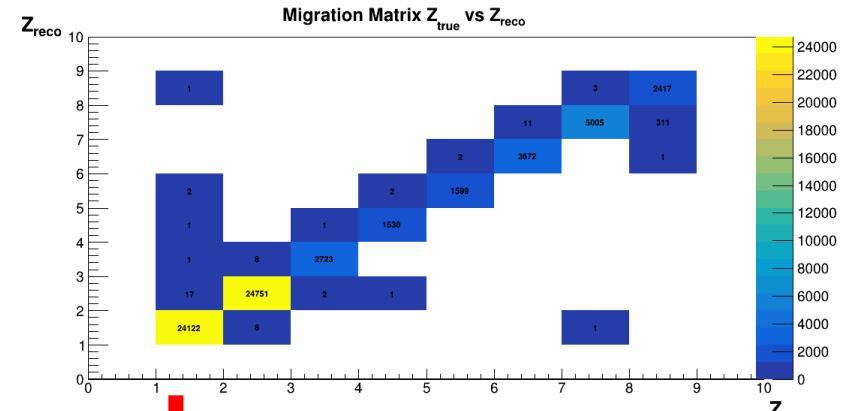
Charge discrimination

Track reconstruction, TW systematics

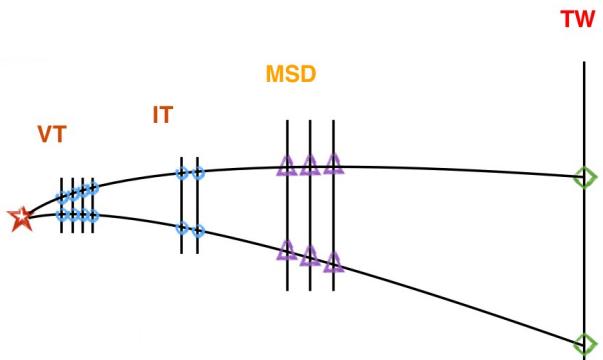
- It is possible that every bar layer of the TW is hit by more than a fragment at the same time:
multiple hits / ghost hits systematics



Applying TW cut:

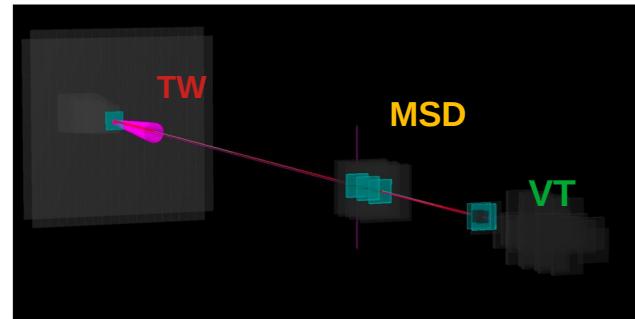


Track reconstruction

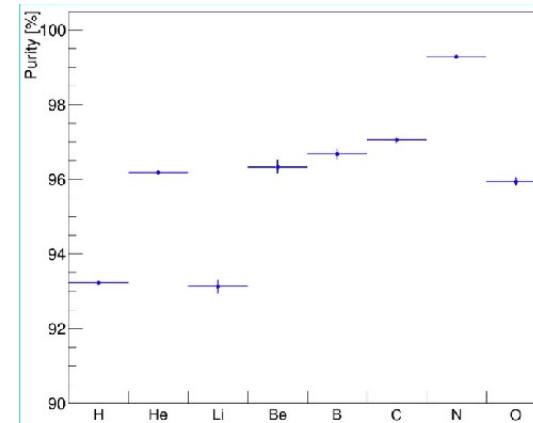


Kalman Filter reconstruction of a track

- Start from VT tracklets
- Projection to possible planes of IT
- KF extrapolation to MSD
- KF extrapolation to TW
- Fit the track candidates and extract reconstructed quantities: **Z, momentum ...**

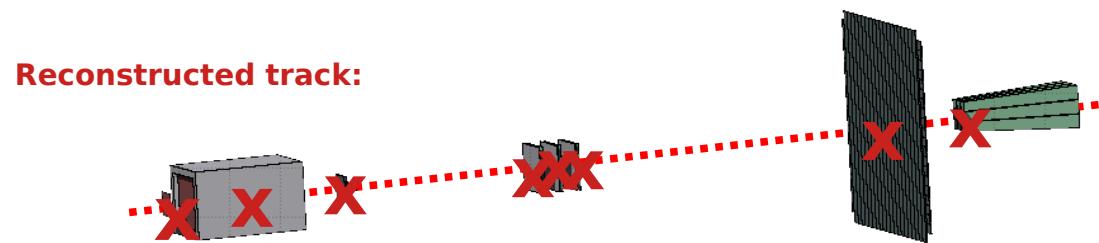


- track reconstruction on GSI 2021 data
No B field present



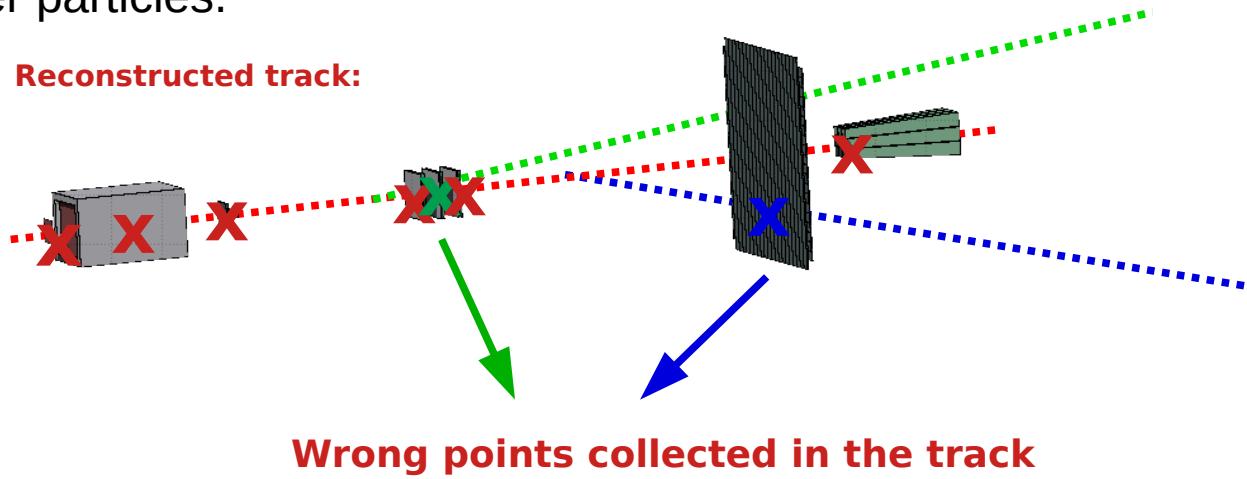
Reconstruction, Track Algo

- Another source of systematics can be the way points are collected in a track
- In the best scenario, all points belong to the same particle:



Reconstruction, Track Algo

- However, due to the presence of a lot of secondary fragmentation, some points can belong to other particles.



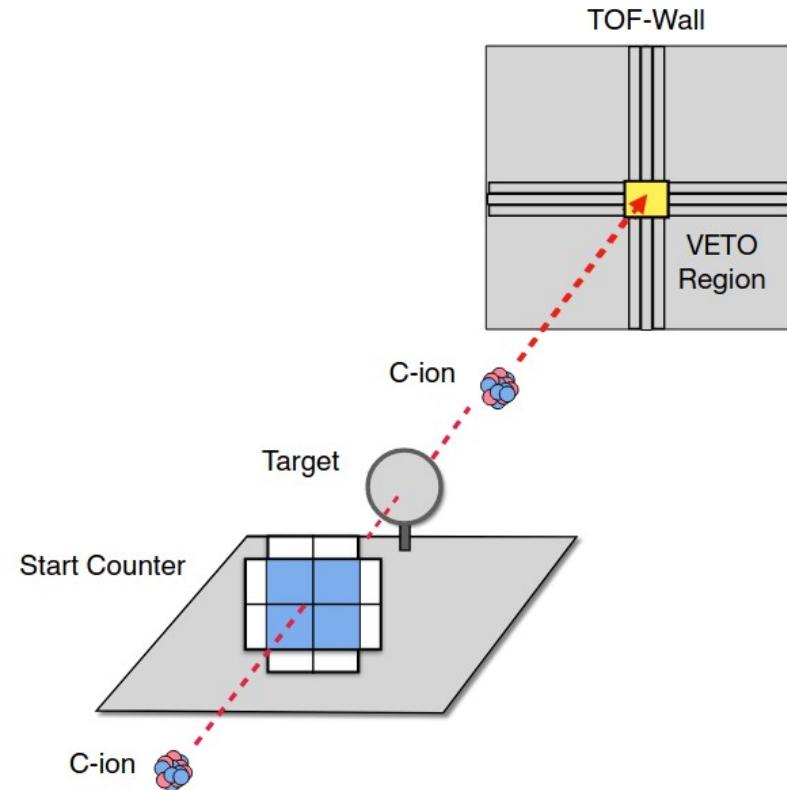
- The McId of the track is given by the most present particle in the collection
- However, if the TWPoint is of another particle → **its McId is different**
- → filter out all the tracks in which $\text{McId}_{\text{track}} \neq \text{McId}_{\text{TWPoint}}$

Trigger Simulation

It is a **Minimum Bias** trigger based on **SC signals in anticoincidence** with a signal from one of the **TW central bars** compatible with the energy of the primary.

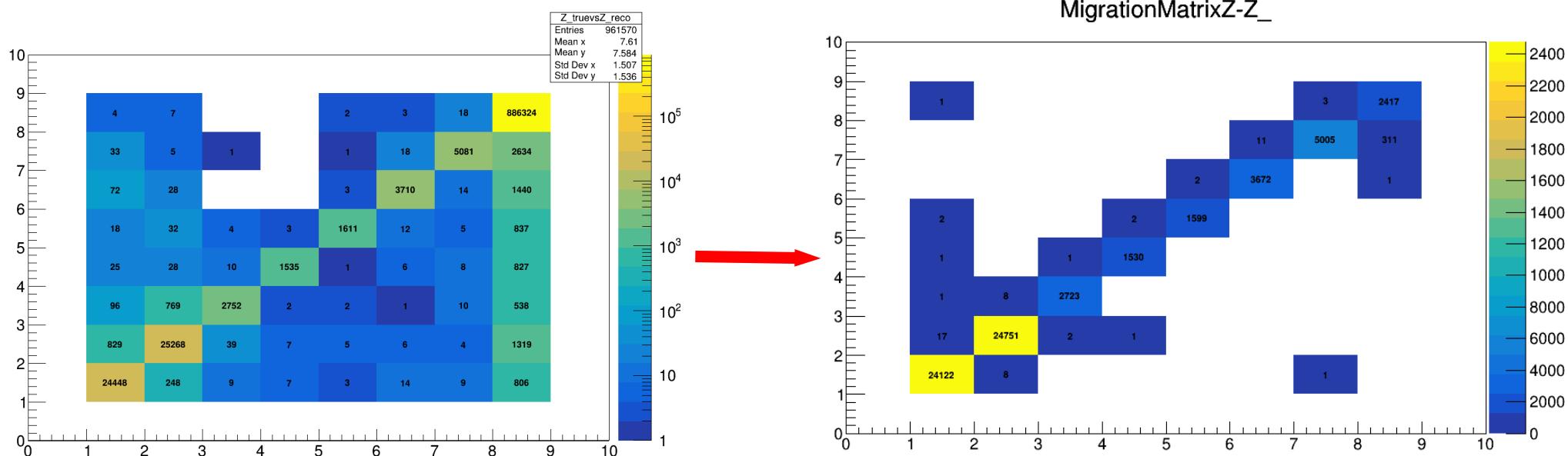
Minimum Bias is fired whenever the number of SC channels above a certain threshold exceeds a programmable value (aka *majority*).

- **Fragment Trigger** is fired every time Minimum Bias condition on TW is not verified



Trigger Simulation

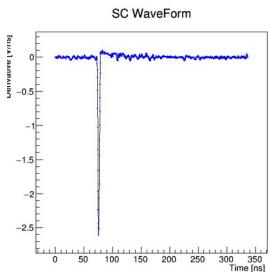
Applying Trigger cut:



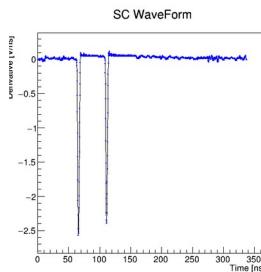
- Main source of mis-reconstruction is given by O due to its high statistics

Pile-up removal

- What it was seen in the last data taking (GSI - CNAO 2021) is that the **beam flux is not constant** → **pile-up events**

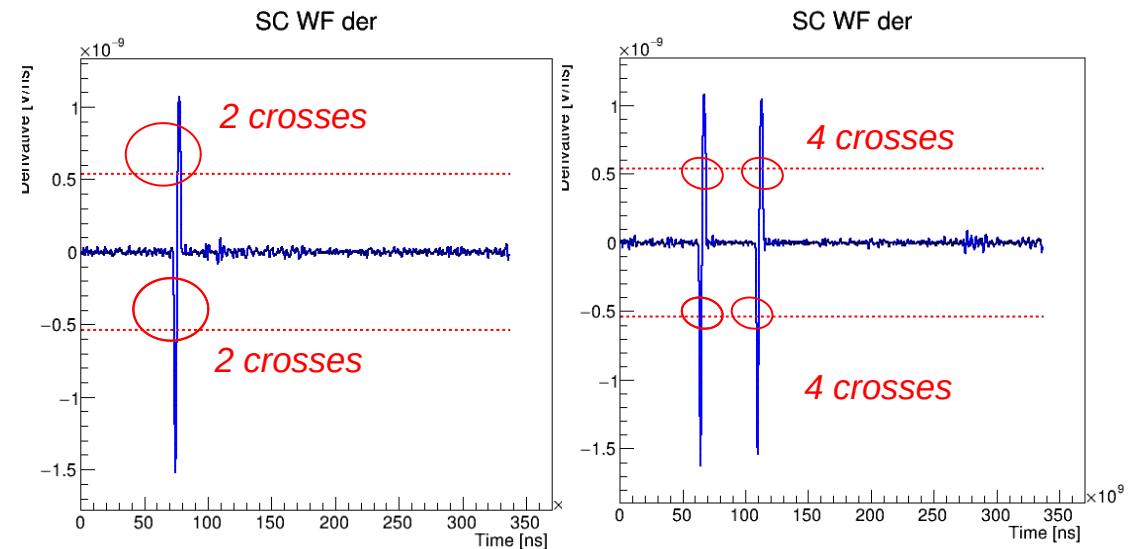


Single projectile



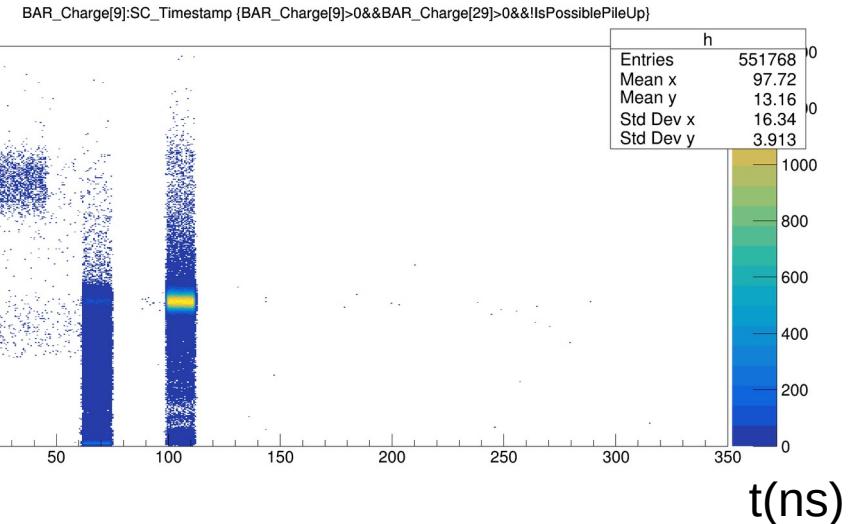
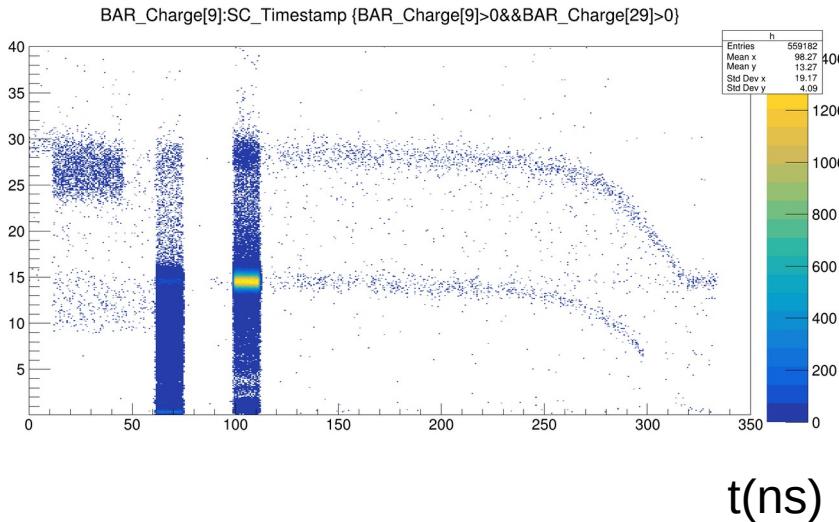
Pileup projectile

constant
threshold
discrimination
method ➔



Pile-up removal

Both **minimum bias trigger** and **trigger fragmentation**



PileUp on 600.000 events ~ 1%

Isotopes identification

- Mass reconstruction using all FOOT subdetectors:

$$A_1 = \frac{p}{U\beta c\gamma}$$



$$A_2 = \frac{E_k}{Uc^2(\gamma - 1)}$$



$$A_3 = \frac{p^2 c^2 - E_k^2}{2Uc^2 E_k}$$

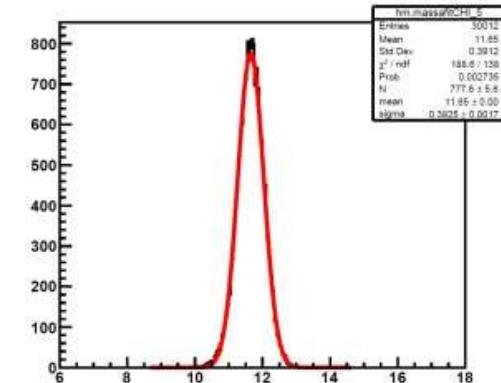


- In our data no tracker and calorimeter → mass measurement only in MC data!
- Augmented Lagrangian

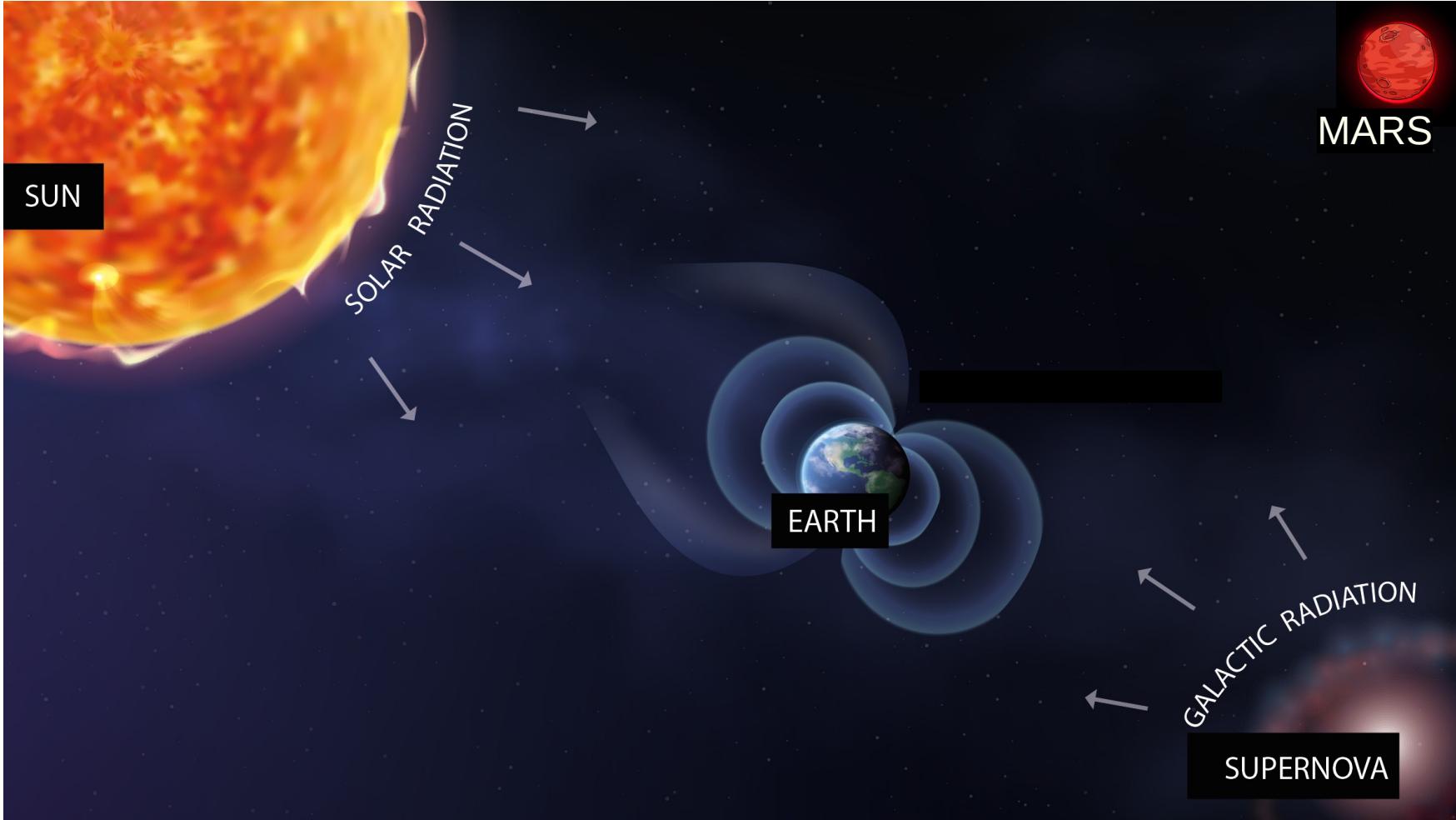
$$L(\vec{x}, \lambda, \mu) \equiv f(\vec{x}) - \sum \lambda_a c_a(\vec{x}) + \frac{1}{2\mu} \sum c_a^2(\vec{x})$$

$$f(\vec{x}) = \left(\frac{TOF - T}{\sigma_{TOF}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{p - P}{\sigma_p} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{E_k - K}{\sigma_{E_k}} \right)^2$$

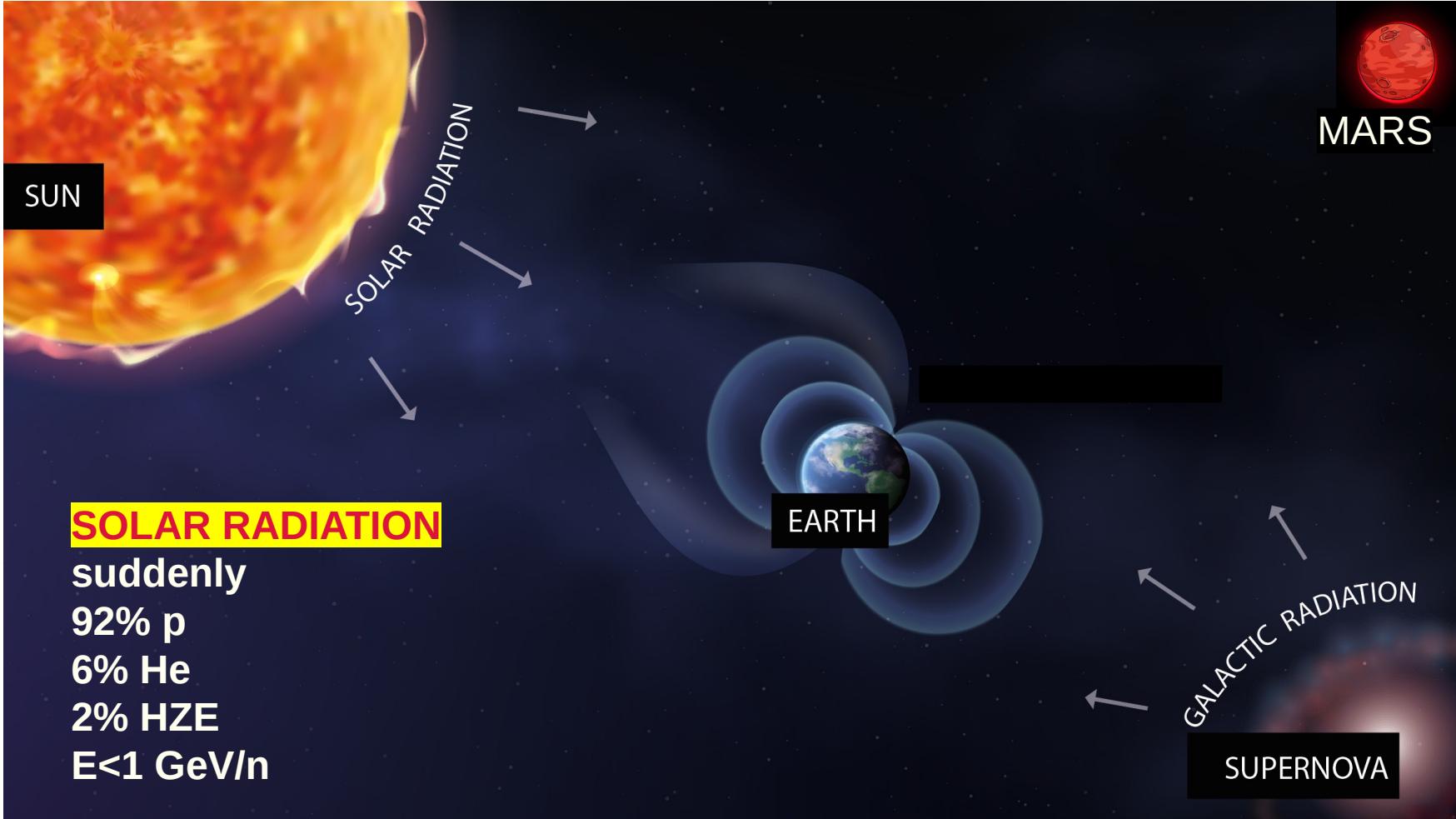
$\Delta\chi^2 = 11.66 \pm 0.38$
risoluz. 3.2 %
 $\chi^2 < 5$



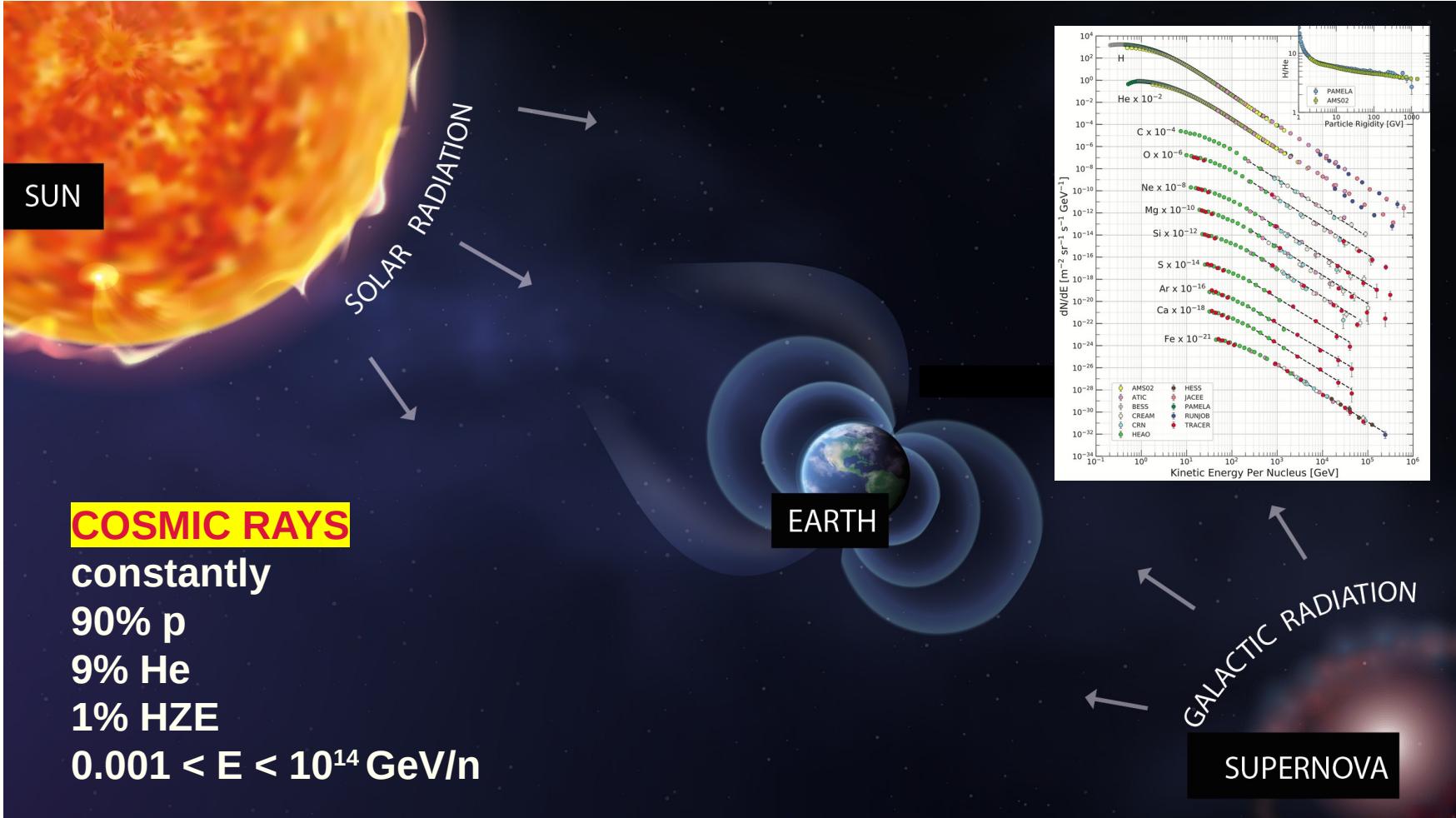
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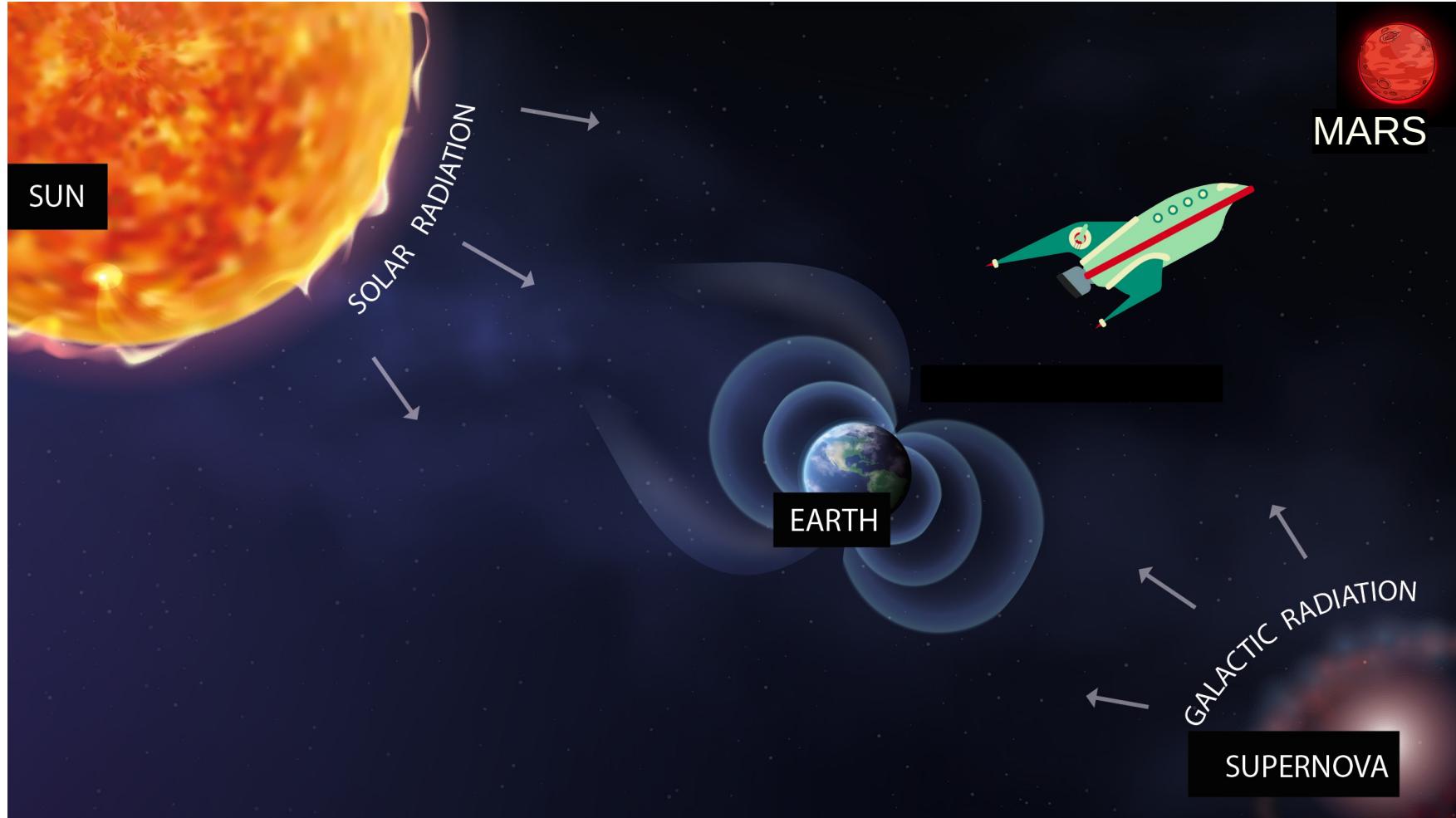
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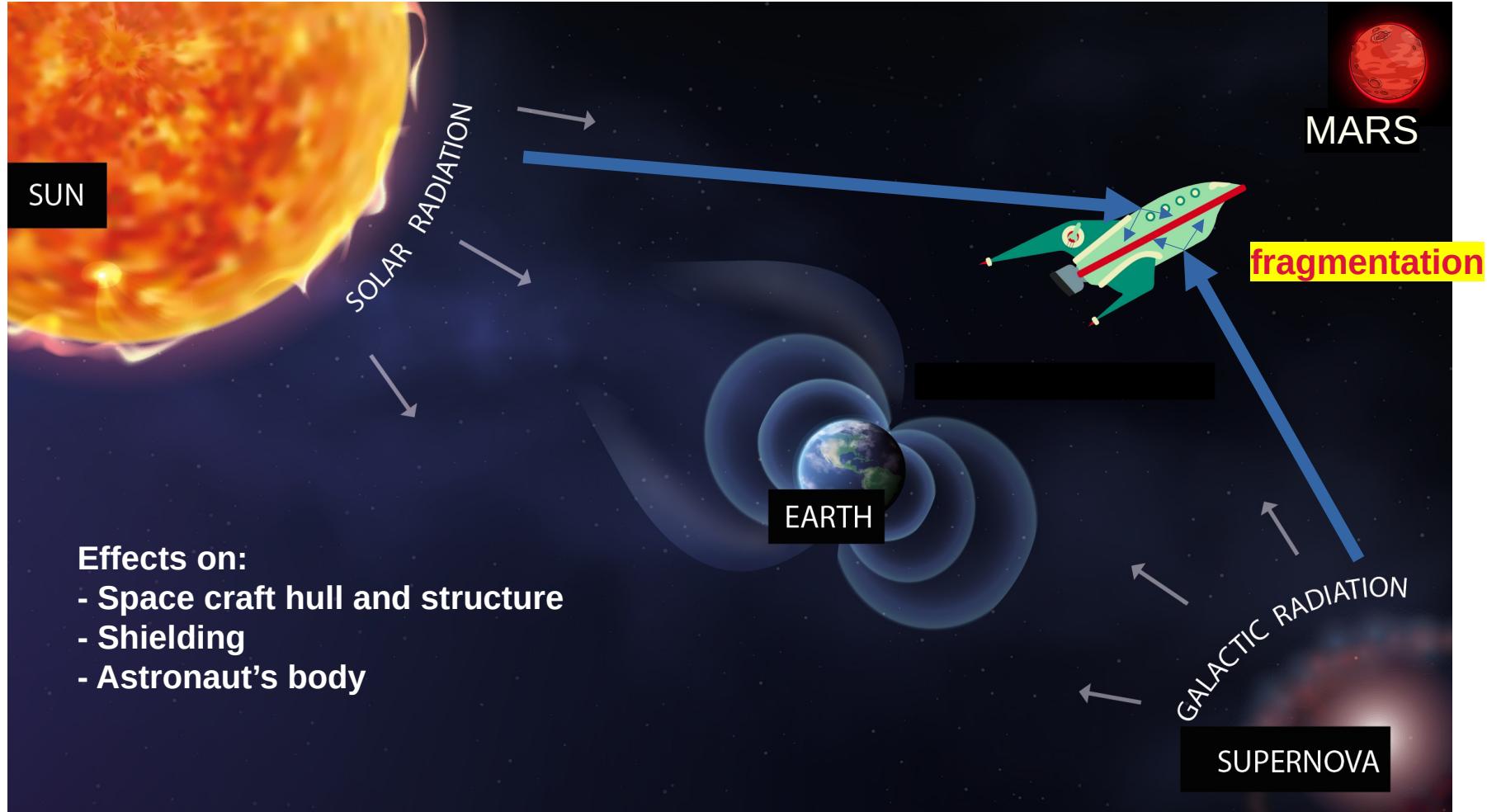
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