

# Update : Time of Flight (ToF) with MURAVES data

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# OUTLINE

- Time Expansion (Texp) Calibration : A short recap
- Time of Flight (ToF) with MURAVES data
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  - ✓ Raw TDC diff. In X and Y views
  - ✓ Use of Texp characterization results for ToF calculation (incl. Fiber Delay)
- Some issues with measured ToFs
- Use of “free-sky” calibration data to deal with ToF issues

# Texp Charaterization of the MURAVES boards

- Each plane consists of two electronics boards (i.e., “slave” boards) for two modules, handling 32 channels each
- With each layers consisting two planes, we have 16 boards in total
- The boards in BLU had to be refurbished and the Texp characterizations had to be re-done

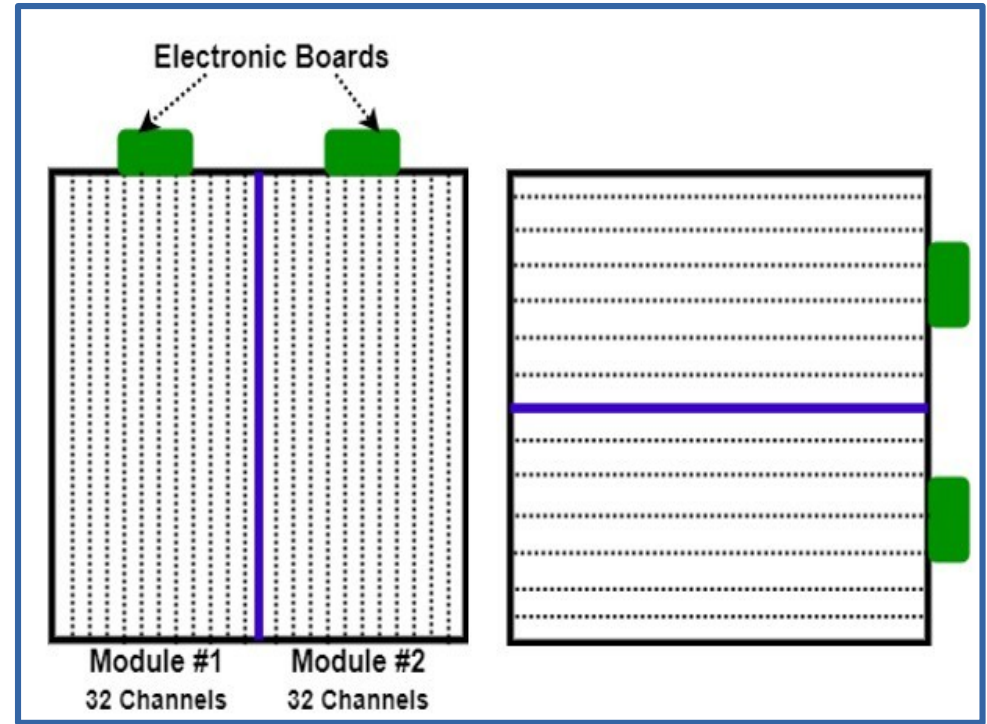


Figure : Schematics of one of the planes (both X and Y views) in MURAVES detector

# Temp Characterization of the MURAVES boards

- A reference board with known time expansion characteristics and a master board to provide a global stop trigger were used for this calibration
- Delays (which is correlated with the  $t_{charge}$ ) were introduced from 2 to 20 ns and the subsequent  $t_{discharge}$  in terms of TDC units were read-out for each of boards
- $t_{discharge} = E \cdot t_{charge} + C$

Here  $E$  is the expansion factor and  $C$  is the intercept

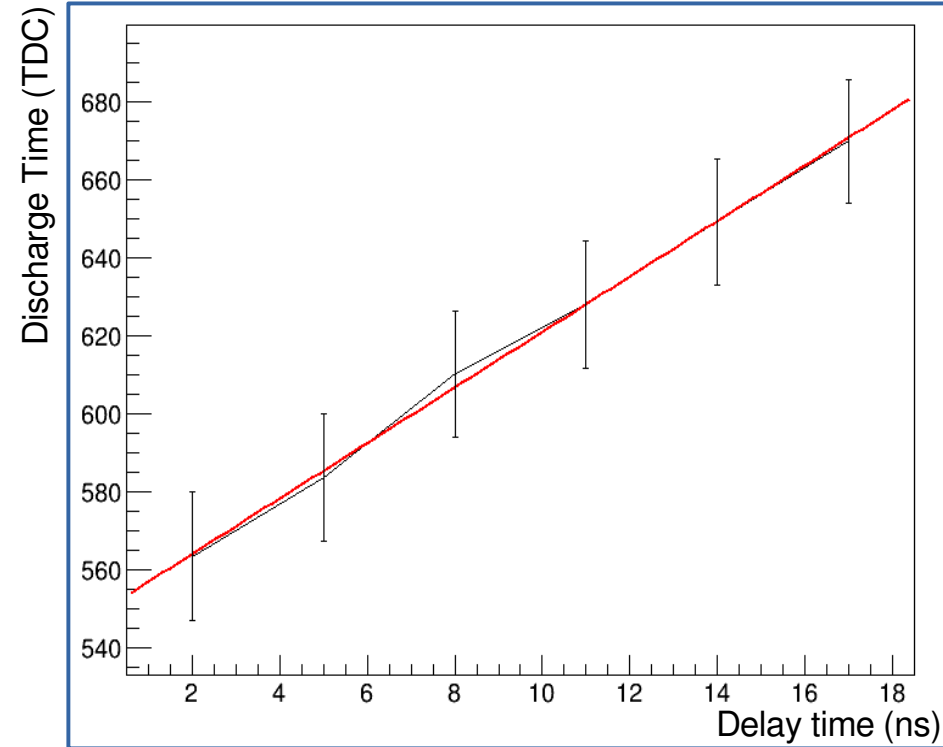


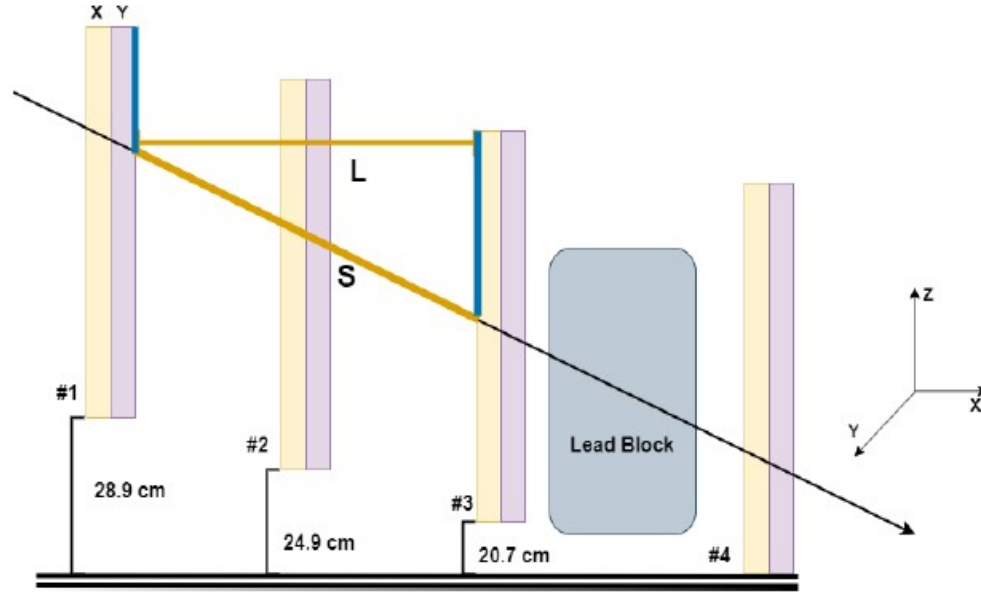
Figure : Correct Texp characterization of an electronic boards exhibiting linear behaviour

# Temp Characterization of the BLU boards results

Board #	E-factor (TDC/ns)	Intercept (TDC)
0	7.21	558.1
1	6.87	532.5
2	6.73	494.7
3	7.11	549.9
4	7.26	620.2
5	6.99	565.3
6	7.35	651.3
7	7.33	594.3
8	7.99	620.5
9	7.30	578.8
10	6.95	564.1
11	7.37	655.0
12	7.18	571.6
13	7.30	584.5
14	7.05	566.5
15	7.45	659.1

- For both NERO and ROSSO, the intercept results are not available; access only to the E-factors
- Moreover, no calibration results at all for Station 2 for ROSSO

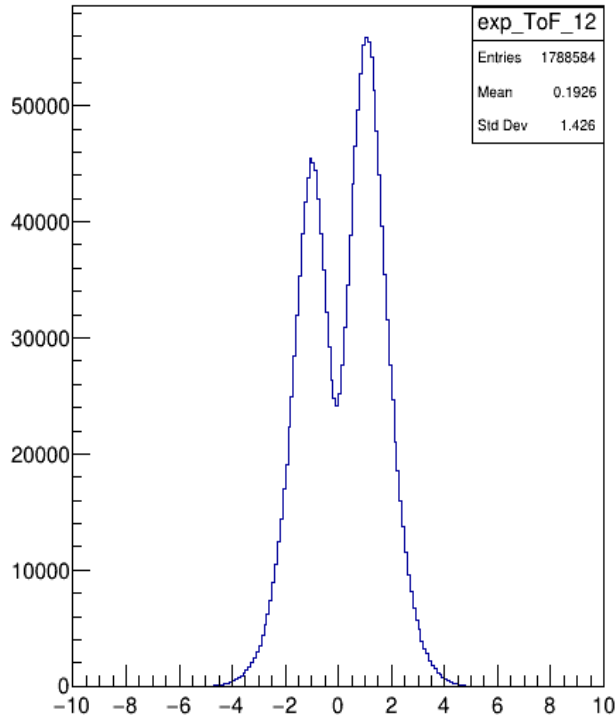
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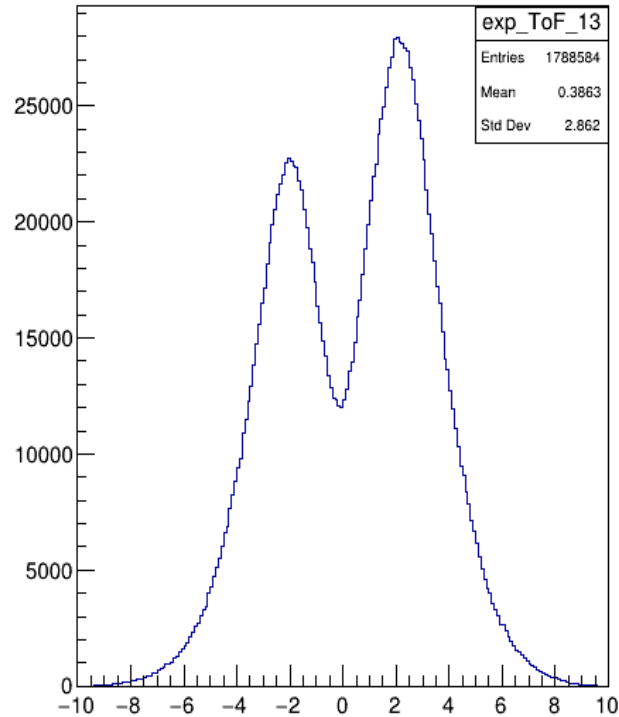
- Distance travelled by incoming muon between two chosen stations can be calculated based in the geometry of the detector and the  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  information of the reconstructed track
- With speed of light ( $c$ ), one can easily compute expected ToF using
$$ToF_{exp} = (\text{total distance travelled})/c$$
- There is delay between the hit time and the time taken for the signals to reach the electronic boards
- This delay time can be also be calculated if the hit positions are known

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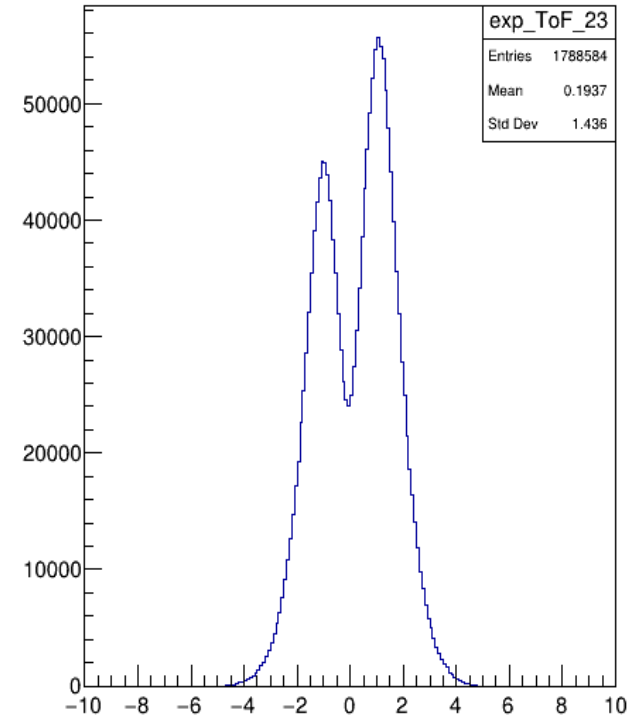
expected\_ToF\_12



expected\_ToF\_13



expected\_ToF\_23



Example of expected ToF using hit-position information and including fibre delay for NERO

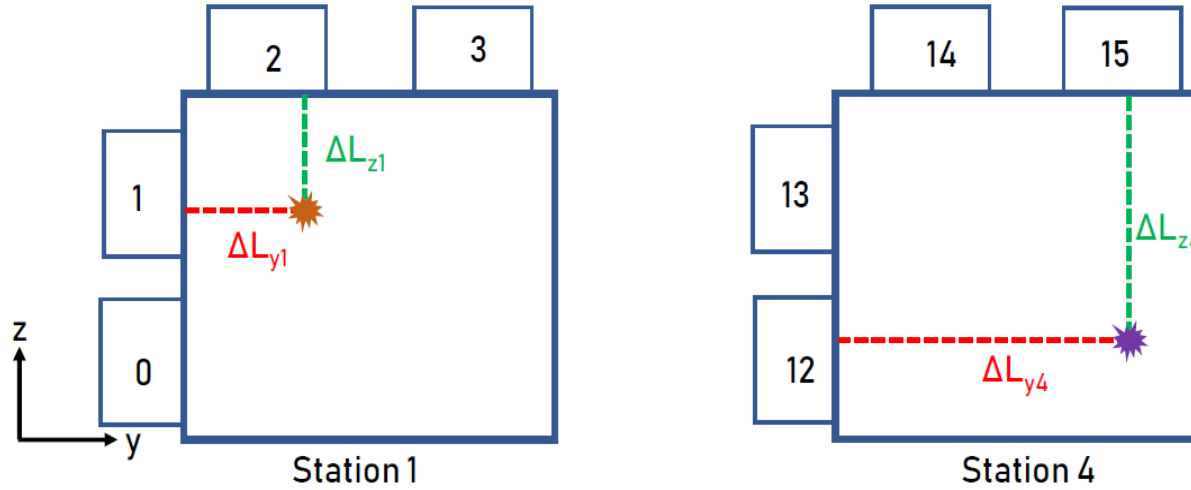
# Measured Time of Flight (ToF\_mes)

- Raw TDC information as well as positions of the hits are easily accessible in the ntuples
- First, the raw TDC is converted into 'actual' time in ns
- However, in order to do so, it is necessary to determine the relevant boards that were involved in the data-taking
- Once the relevant boards are known, the time expansion calibration results has to be applied for TDC-ns conversion
- Delay correction
- The difference between the converted time after correcting for fiber delays across two different stations gives an estimate on ToF (i.e, measured ToF).

The screenshot displays the ROOT file browser interface. The left pane shows the directory tree for 'GoldenTracks\_4p:1', which includes variables like TrackX\_chiSquare\_4p, TrackY\_chiSquare\_4p, clusterSizeX1\_4p through clusterSizeY4\_4p, clusterPosX1\_4p through clusterPosY4\_4p, and z1\_4p through y4\_4p. The right pane shows the contents of the selected file, listing variables such as cluEnx1\_4p through cluEny4\_4p, TimeExp\_Station1x\_4p through TimeExp\_Station4y\_4p, RunNumber\_4p, EventNumber\_4p, Phi\_4p, Theta\_4p, tanThetaZ\_4p, and tanThetaY\_4p. Several groups of variables are highlighted with yellow boxes.



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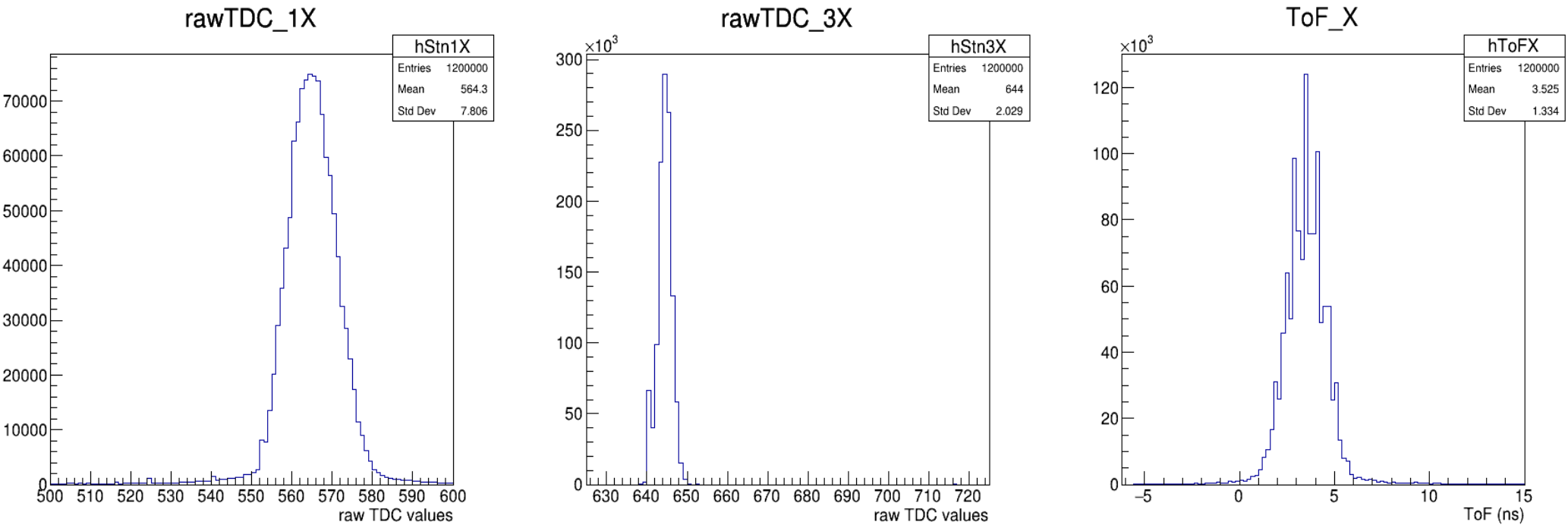


For XX view: 
$$ToF_X = \left( \frac{(T_{1X} - T_1^0)}{E_1} + \frac{\Delta L_{y1}}{\vartheta_{fiber}} \right) - \left( \frac{(T_{4X} - T_4^0)}{E_4} + \frac{\Delta L_{y4}}{\vartheta_{fiber}} \right)$$

For YY view: 
$$ToF_Y = \left( \frac{(T_{1Y} - T_1^0)}{E_1} + \frac{\Delta L_{z1}}{\vartheta_{fiber}} \right) - \left( \frac{(T_{4Y} - T_4^0)}{E_4} + \frac{\Delta L_{z4}}{\vartheta_{fiber}} \right)$$

- Adjust the equations above accordingly for XY and YX views ToF (w/ delay) calculation.

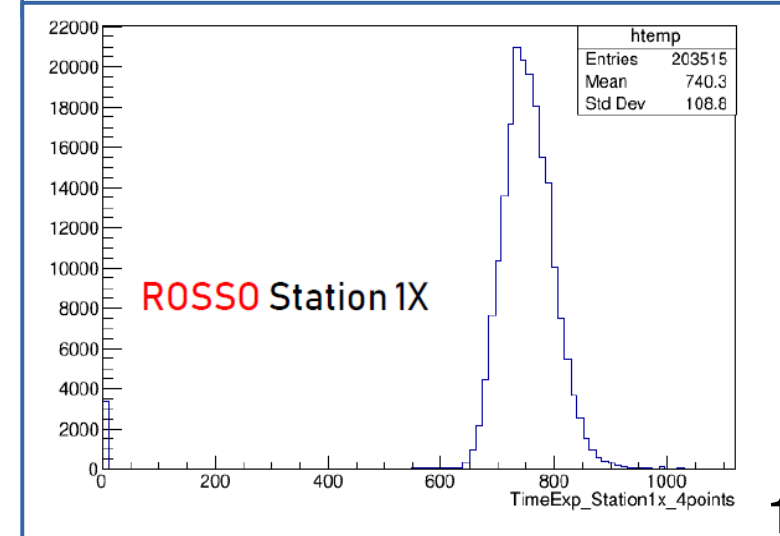
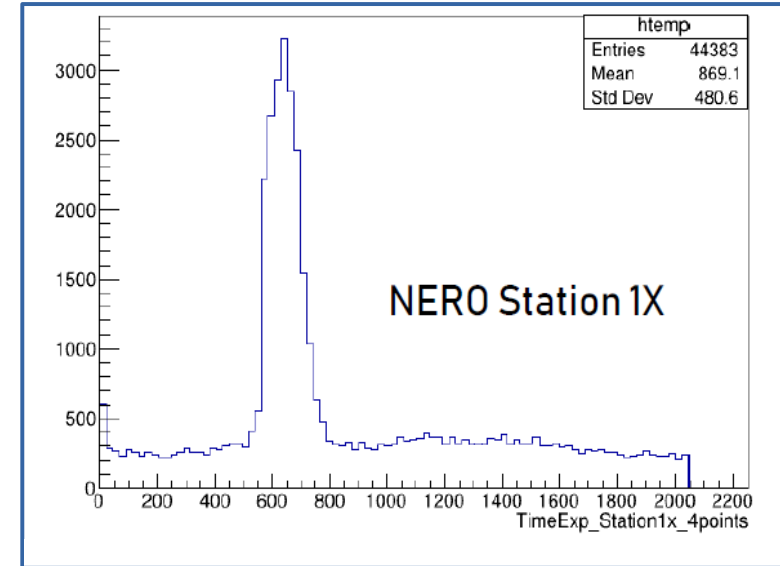
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Example of meaured ToF using TDC information and Texp calibration results

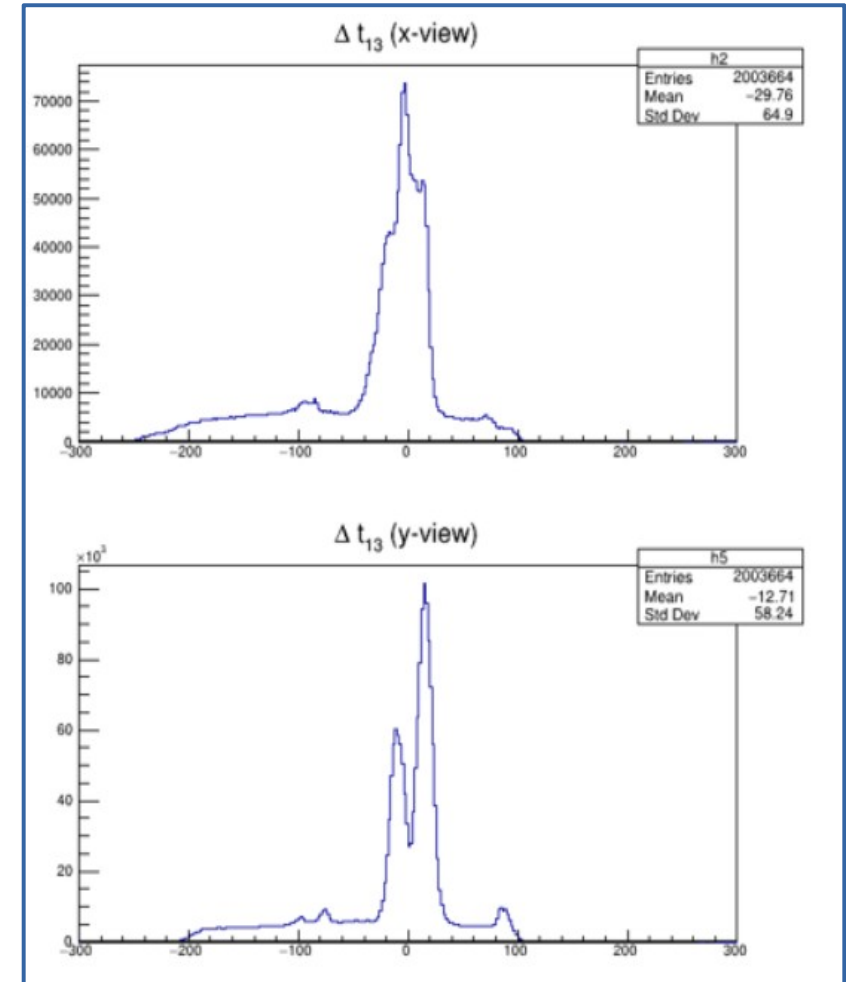
# Concerns and Issues after the first look

- Presence of pedestal in the measured ToF distributions (in NERO)
- Unusual peak positions in the measured ToF distributions
- Wide range of ToFs ( $\sim -200$  to  $200$  ns)
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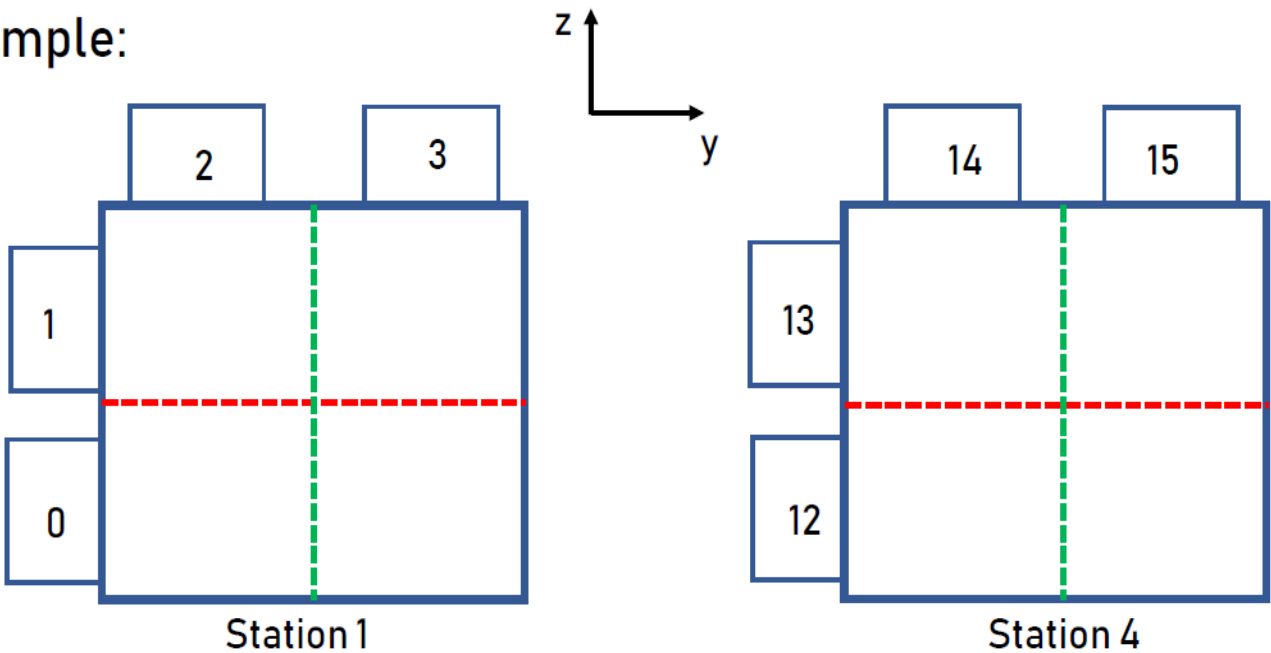
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Measured ToFs between Stn#1 and Stn#3 for NERO in X and Y views

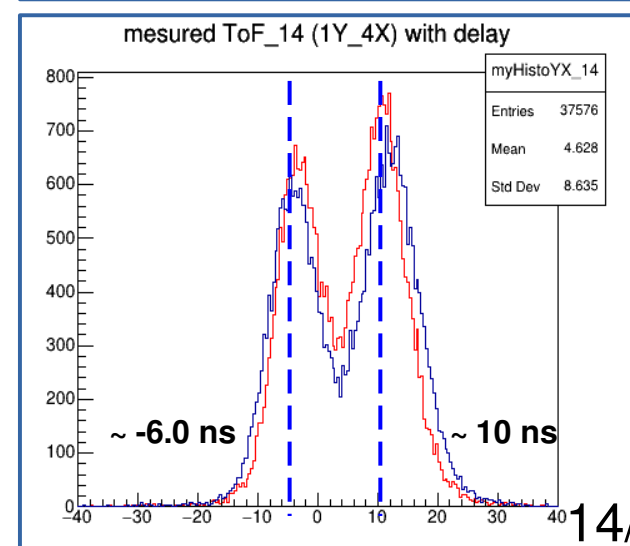
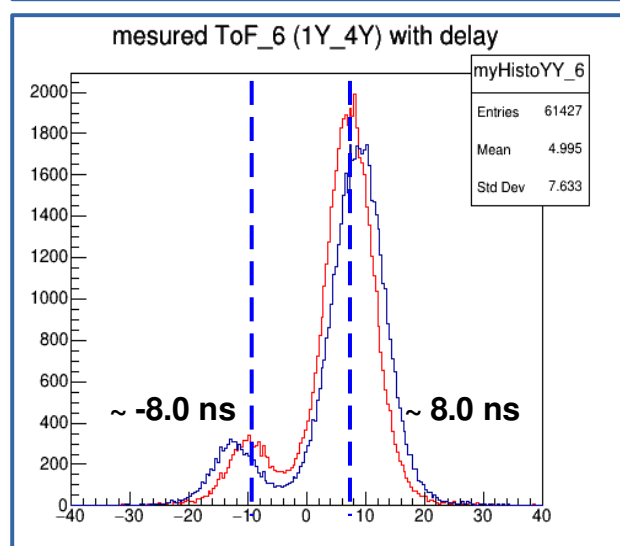
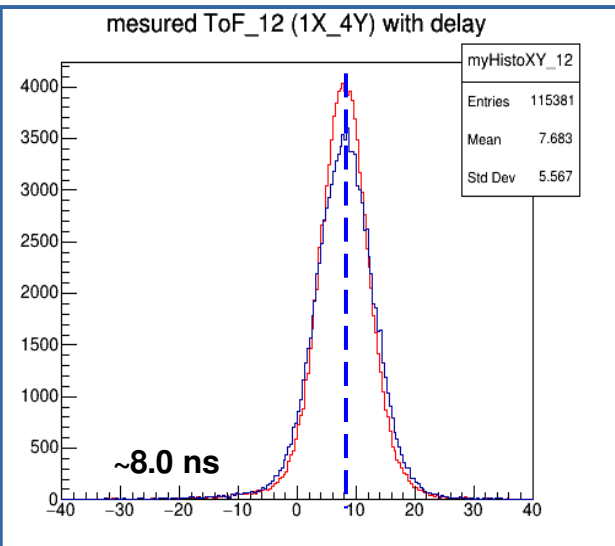
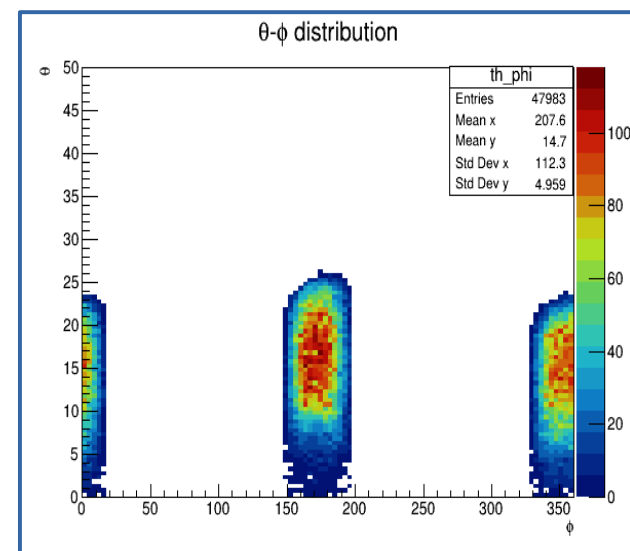
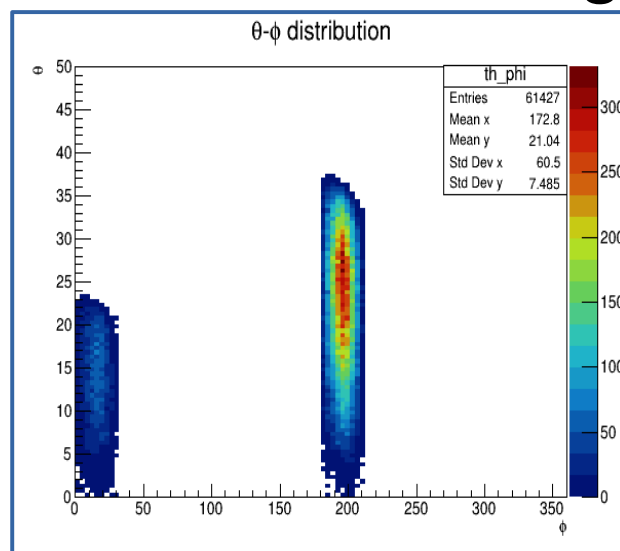
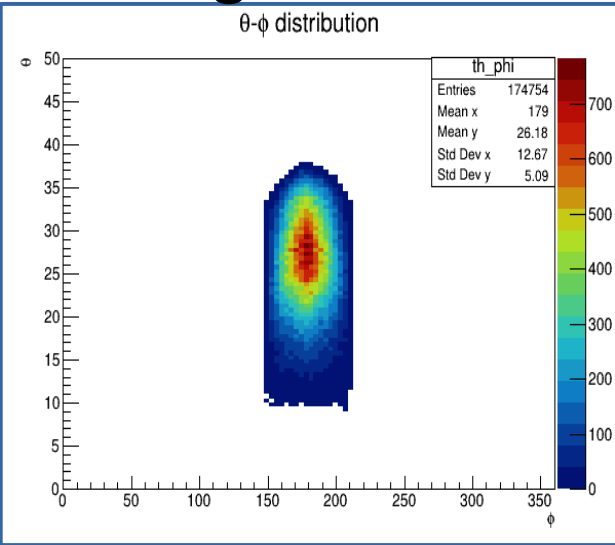
# Dividing the detector planes in various regions (BLU lab data)

Example:



XX - boards	YY - boards	XY - boards	YX - boards
✓ 0-12	✓ 2-14	✓ 0-14	✓ 2-12
✓ 0-13	✓ 2-15	✓ 0-15	✓ 2-13
✓ 1-12	✓ 3-14	✓ 1-14	✓ 3-12
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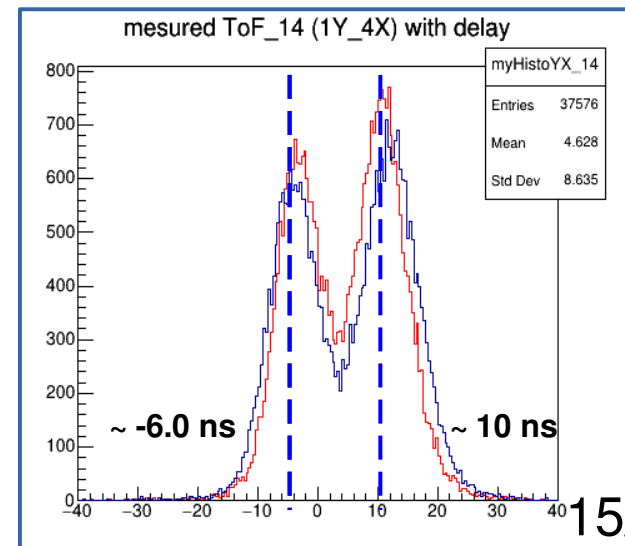
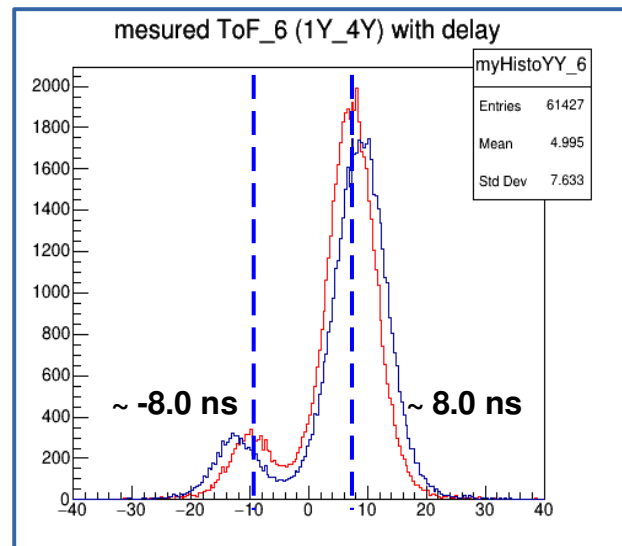
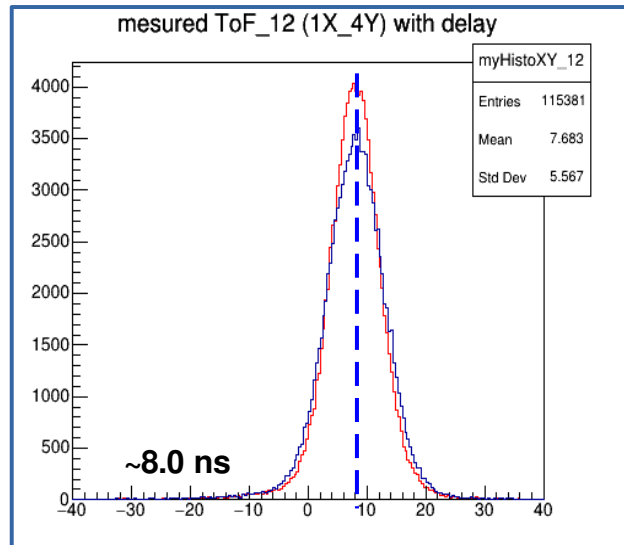
- 8 ToF distributions in total
- 4 with XX boards combination
- 2 with XY boards combination
- 2 with YX boards combination

## Single Peak with “Shoulder” Feature

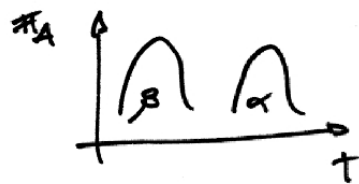
- 4 ToF distributions in total
- All 4 with YY boards combination

## Double Peaks Feature

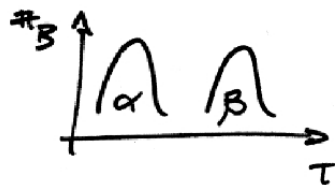
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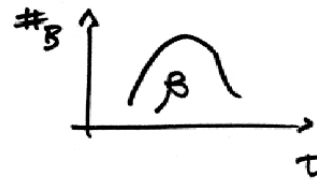
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(a)



(b)

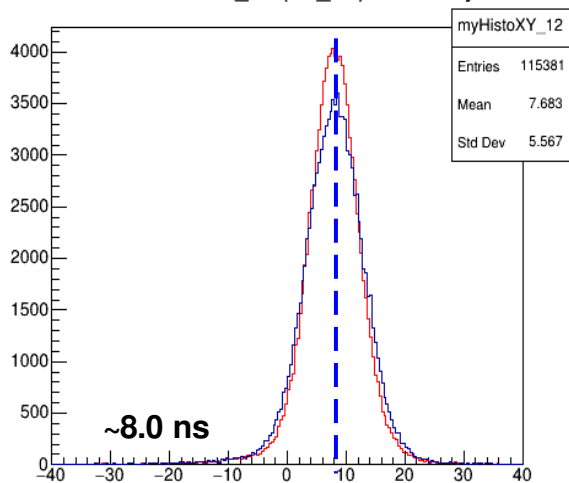


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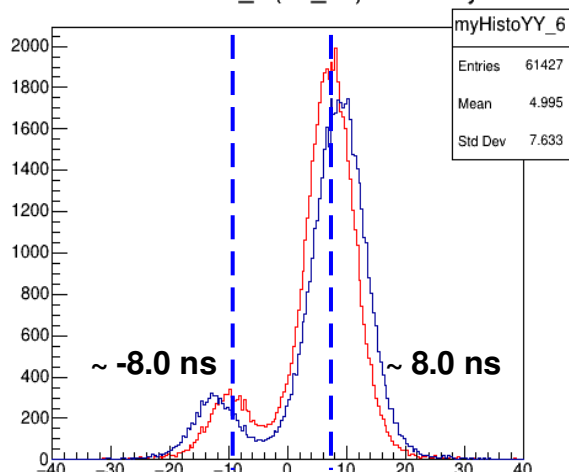
- Similar behavior in the shapes of measured ToFs is expected, as confirmed by Gigi's thesis
- Horizontal vs transverse (steep) tracks not quantified; the thesis qualitatively describes these

Figure 4.6.: Expected distributions for the plane A (a) and for the plane B for horizontal (b) and transverse (c) tracks. .

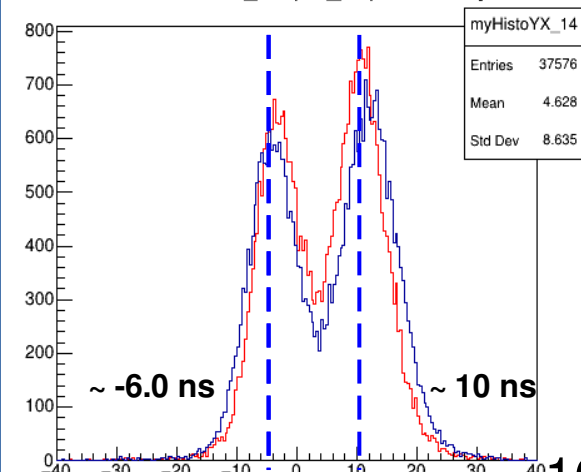
measured ToF\_12 (1X\_4Y) with delay



measured ToF\_6 (1Y\_4Y) with delay

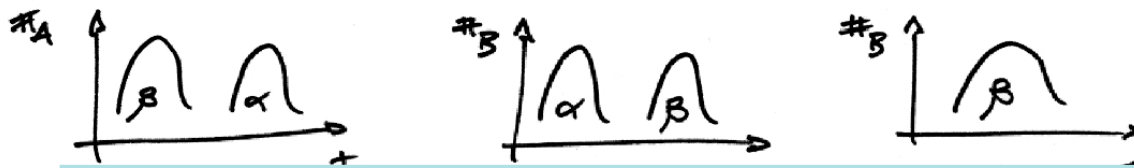


measured ToF\_14 (1Y\_4X) with delay





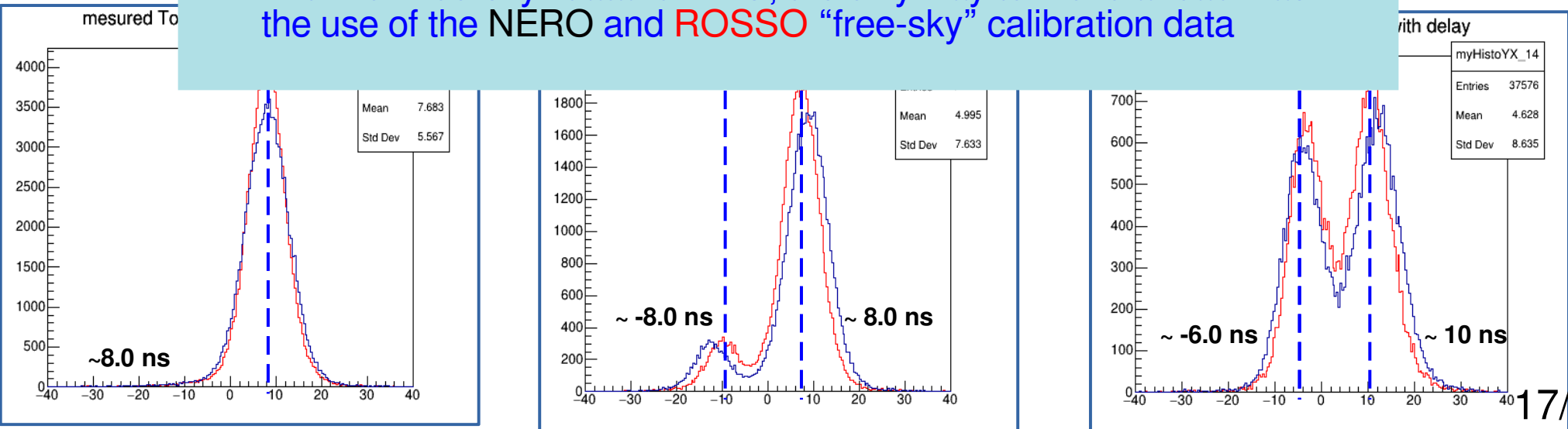
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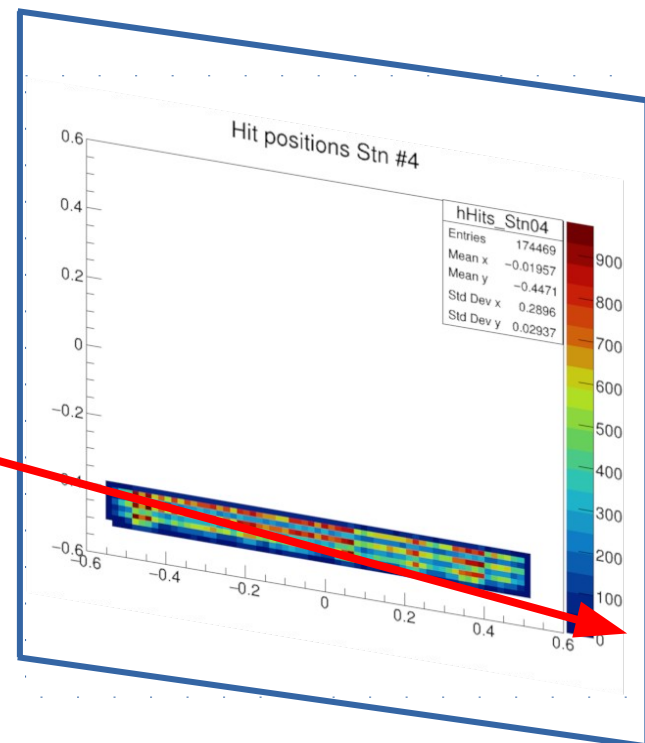
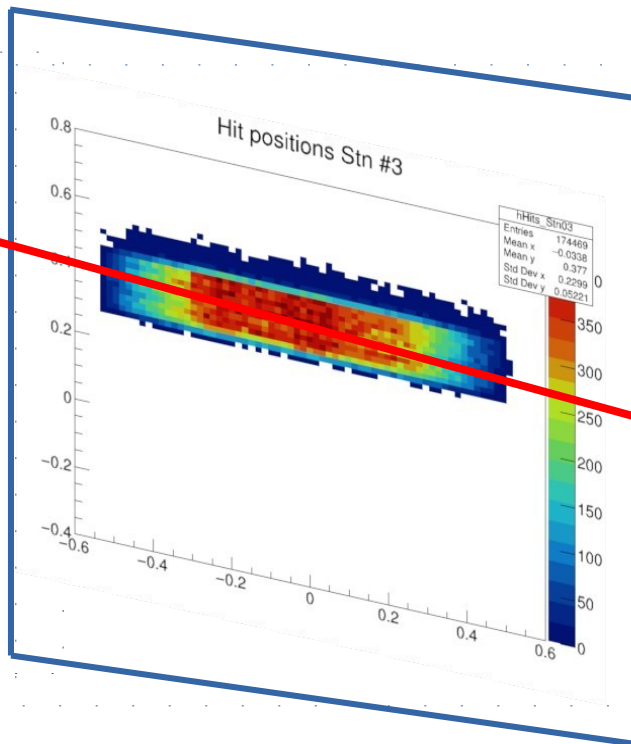
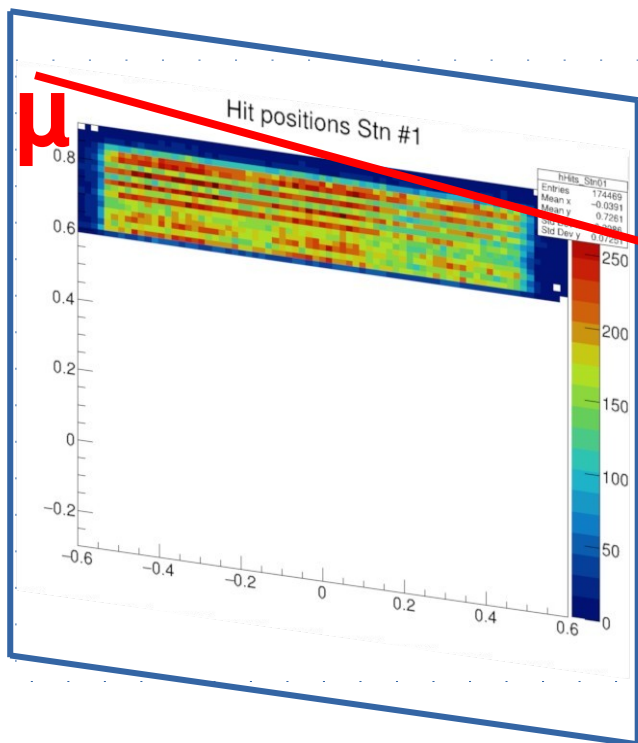
- Promising results from BLU data when using the intercept values!!
- But unfortunately, we lack those intercept values from the Texp calibrations for NERO and ROSSO boards.
- With no “free-sky” data for BLU, the only way to move ahead was the use of the NERO and ROSSO “free-sky” calibration data

Figure 4.6.:

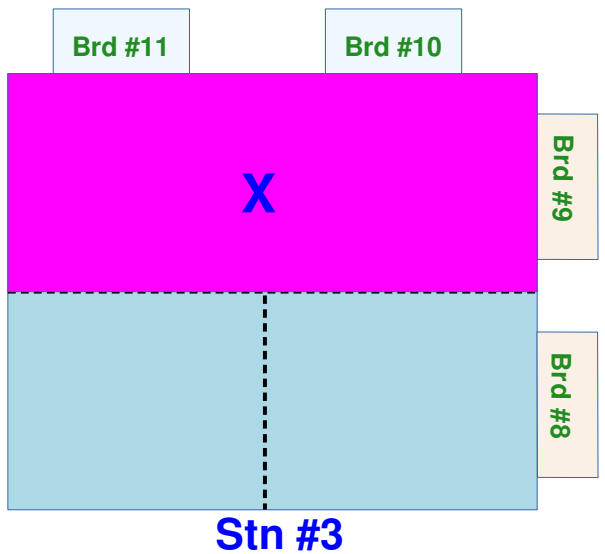
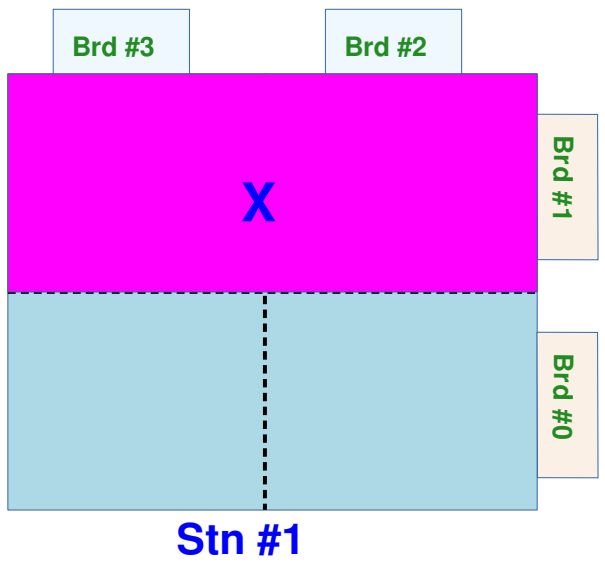
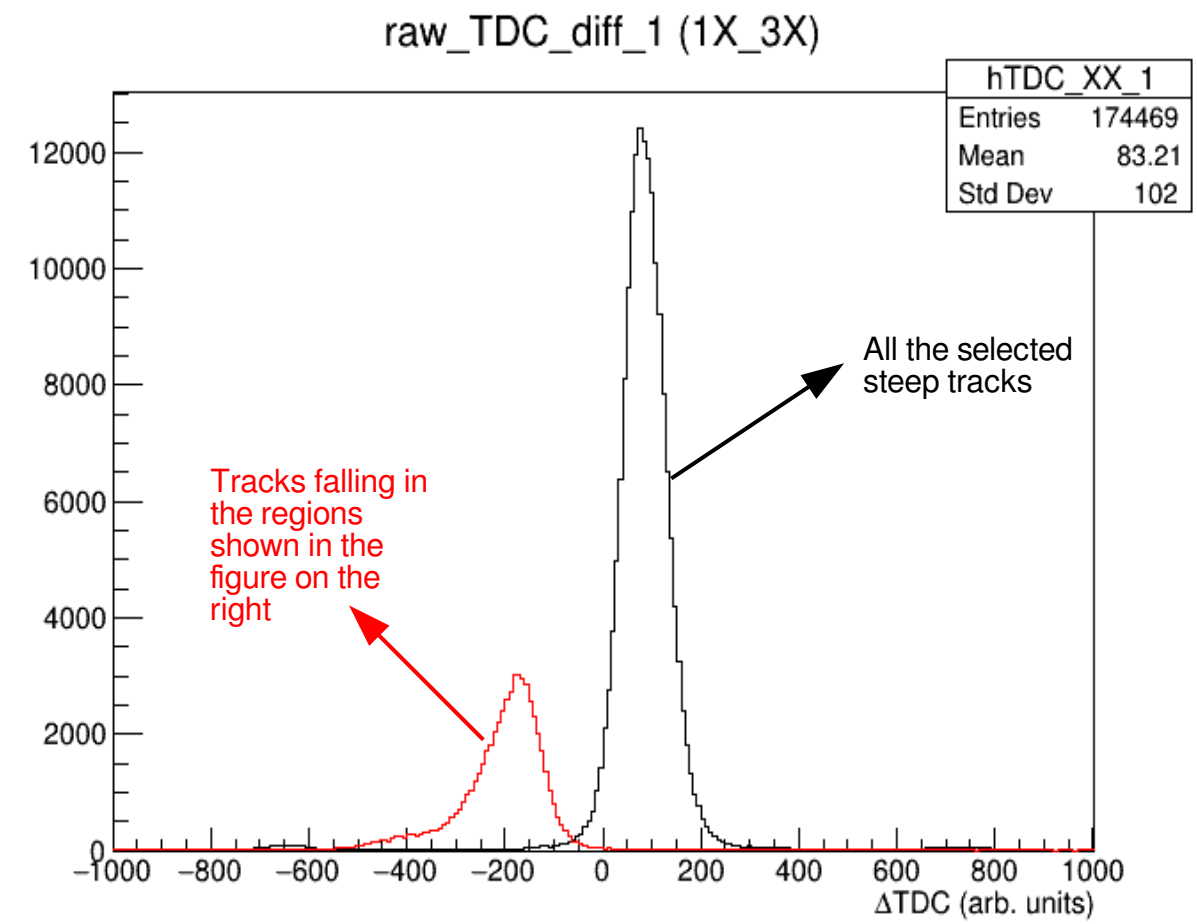


**Use of ‘free-sky’ calibration data, aiming to deal with the ToF issues**

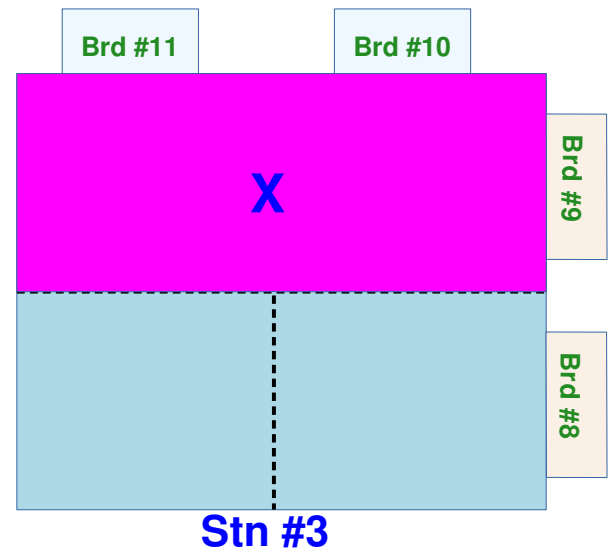
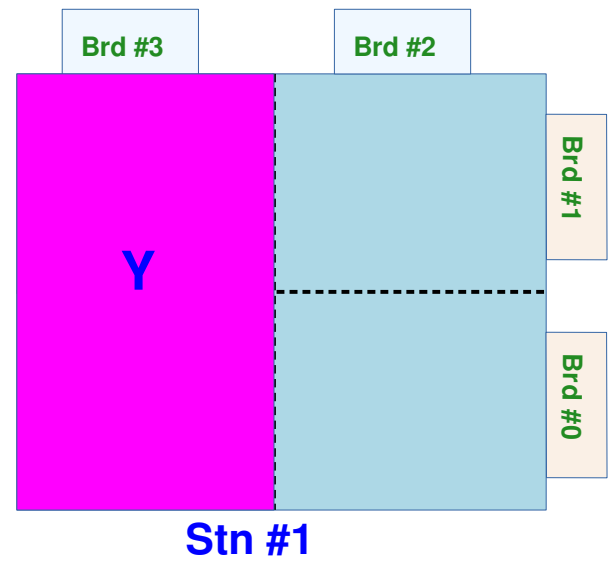
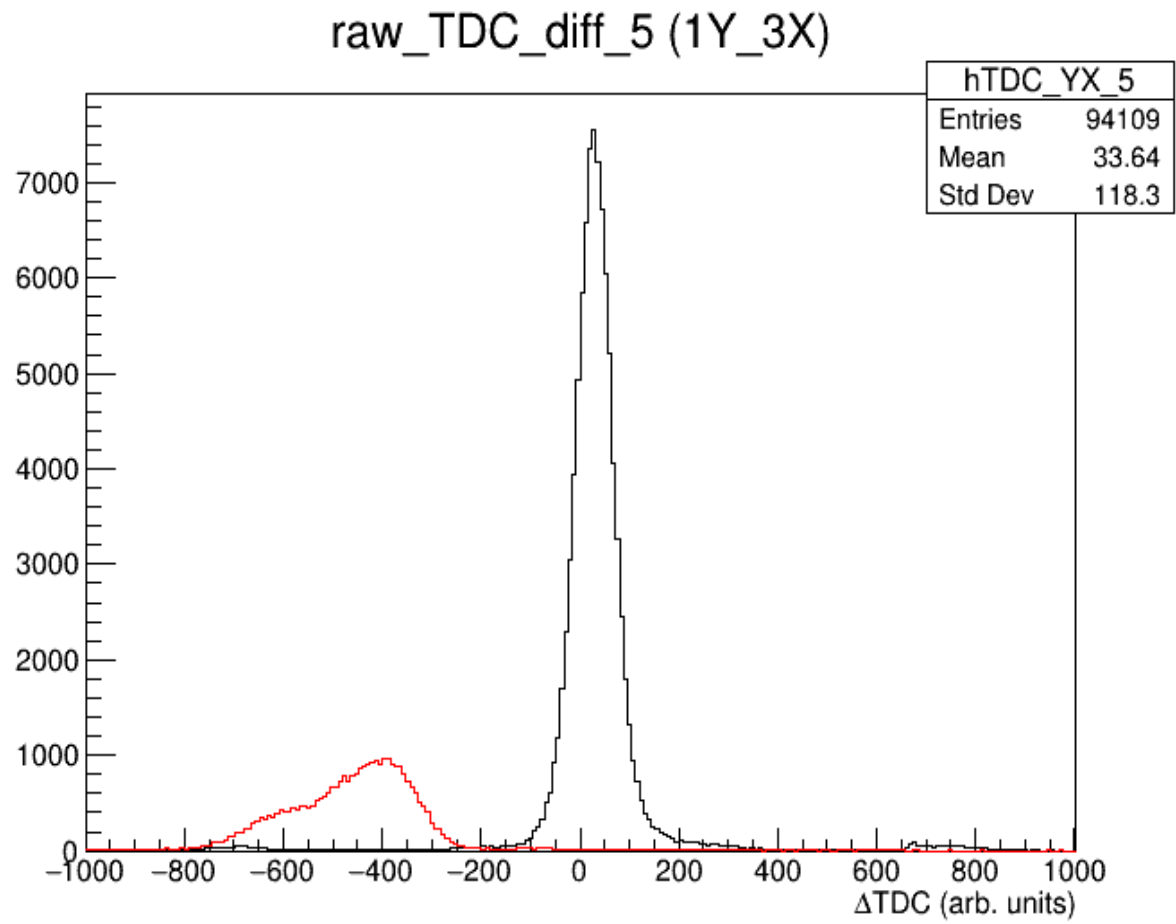
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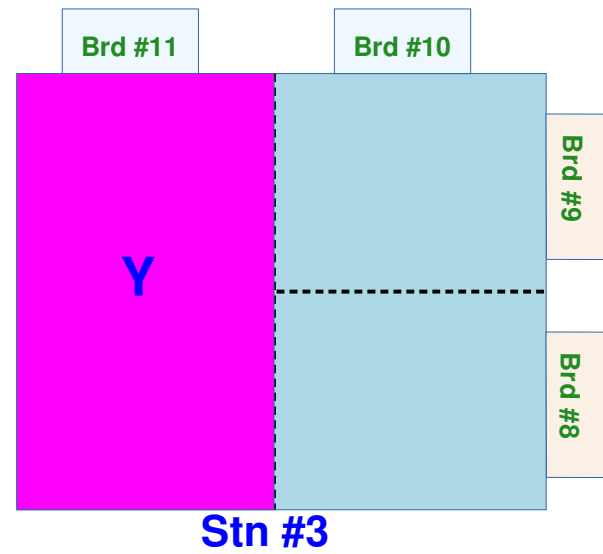
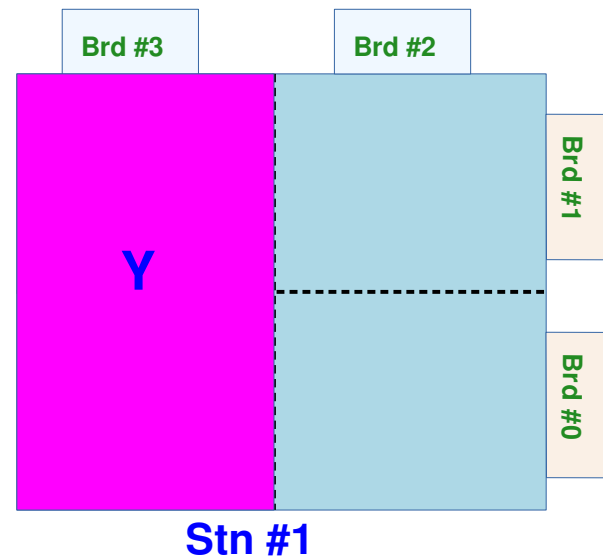
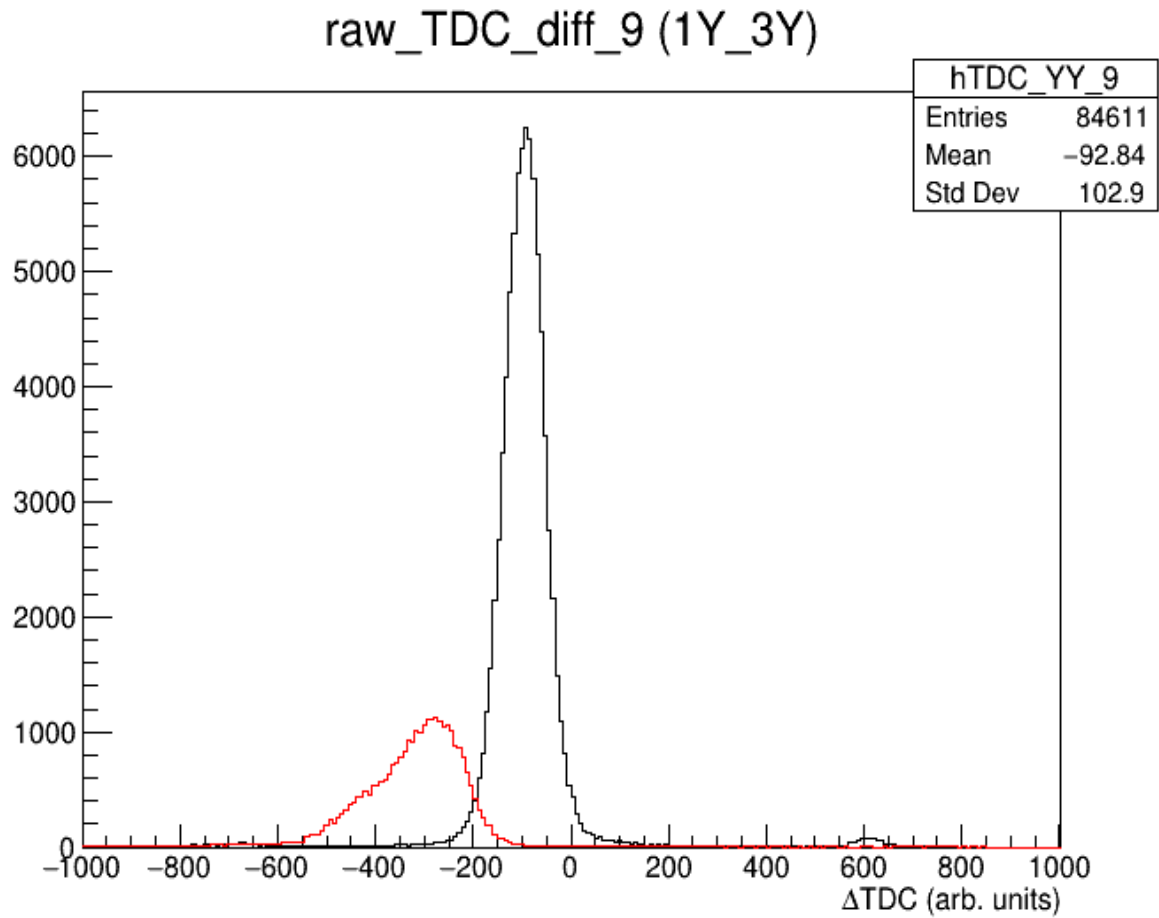
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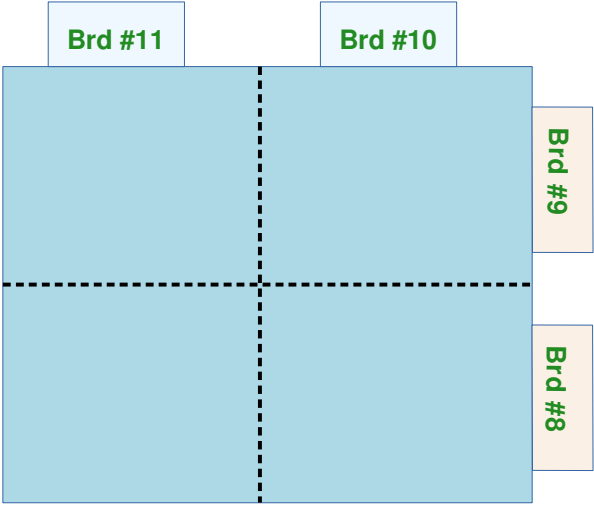
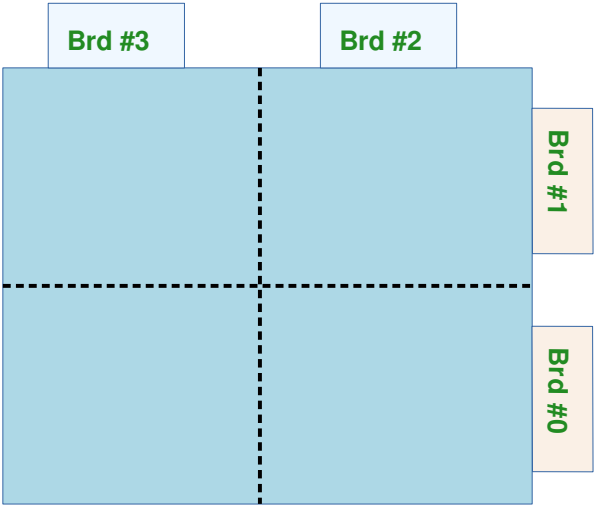


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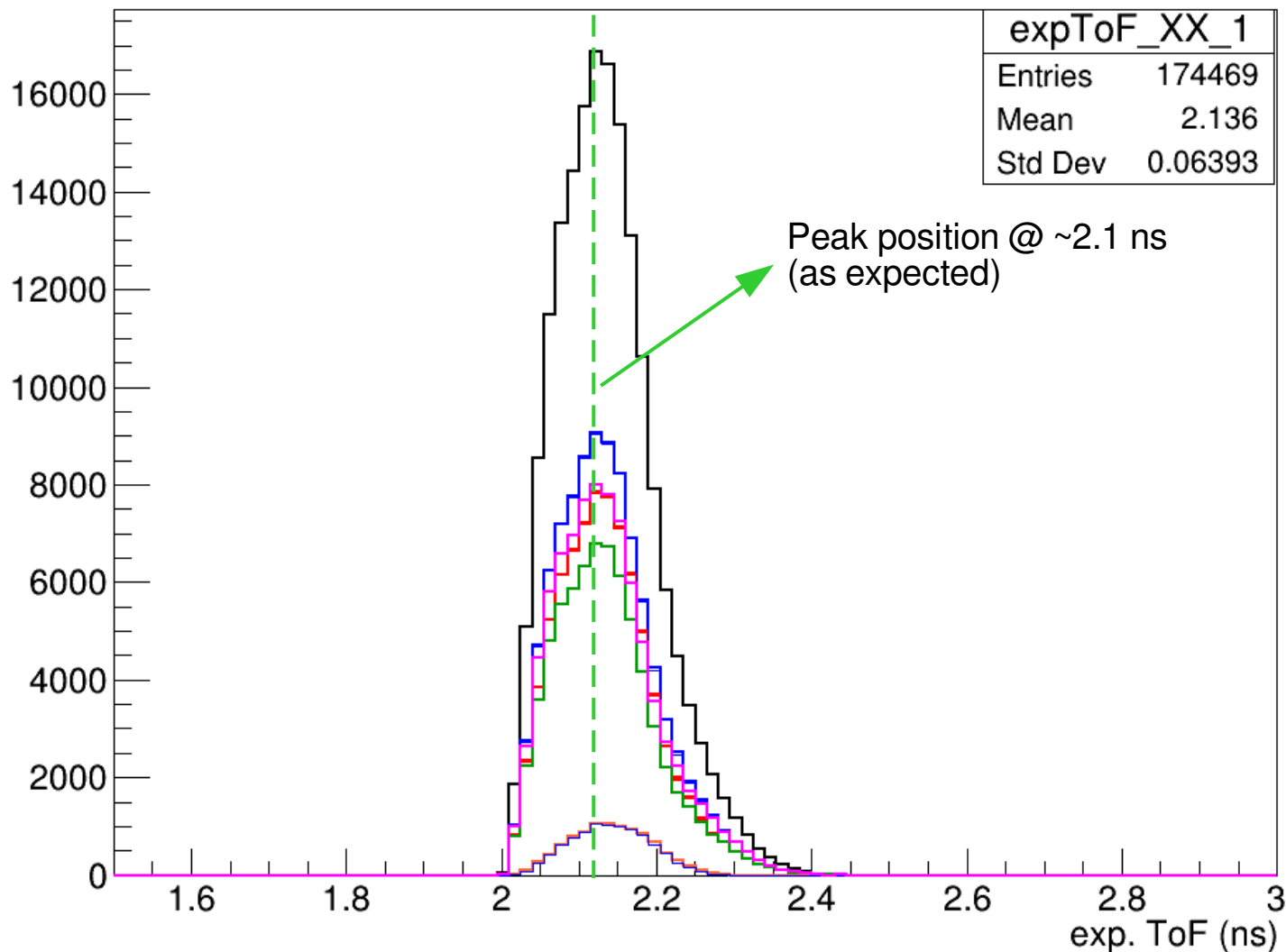


# Raw TDC Difference (Stns #1 and 3)

Regions	Boards Involved	Raw TDC Difference	
		ROSSO	NERO
1	#1 & #9	-197.1	83.2
2	#1 & #10	-130.8	18.3
3	#1 & #11	-64.0	-42.1
4	#2 & #9	-106.0	192.1
5	#3 & #9	-453.2	33.6
6	#2 & #10	-49.2	126.6
7	#2 & #11	-20.6	72.1
8	#3 & #10	-402.4	-21.7
9	#3 & #11	-320.0	-92.8



## exp. ToF\_1 (1X\_3X)



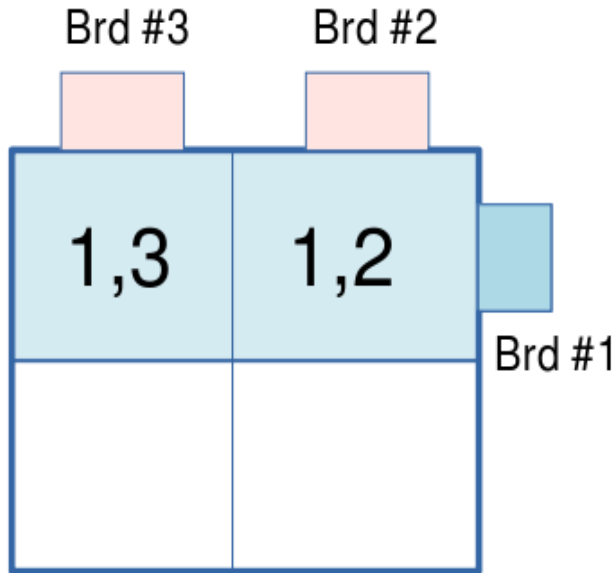
- All the expected ToF distributions between stns #1 and #3 is ~2.1 ns (horizontal distance between stns #1 and #3 is ~0.53m, corresponding to ~1.8 ns)
- The idea is to use exp. ToF as a proxy for measured ToF, on an event-by-event basis to gain information about missing intercept values

Note that exp. ToF distributions only has “single” peak feature

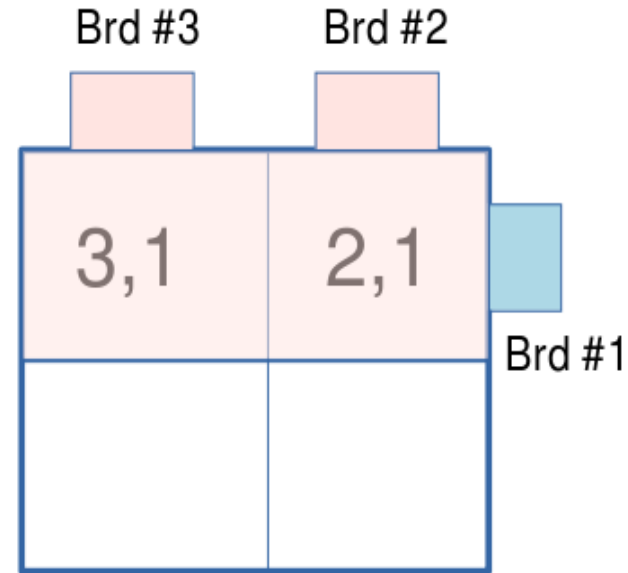


# The Overlap Region

The events in a certain region can be analyzed with X-board Texp calibrations results **OR** with Y-board results

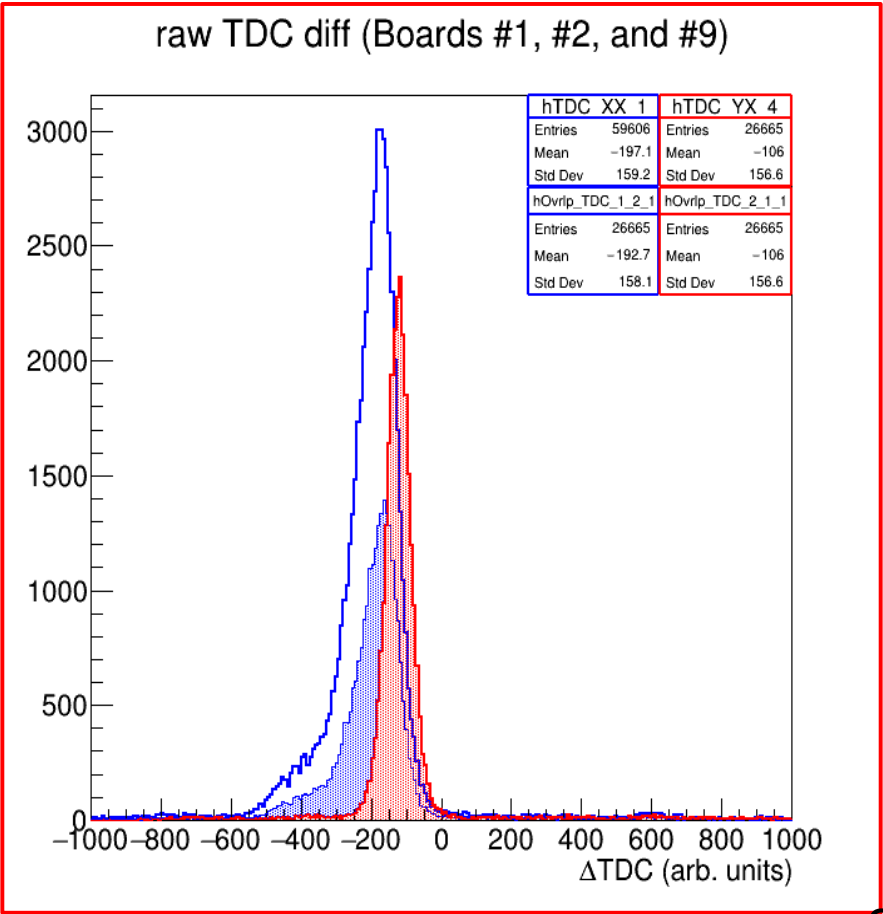
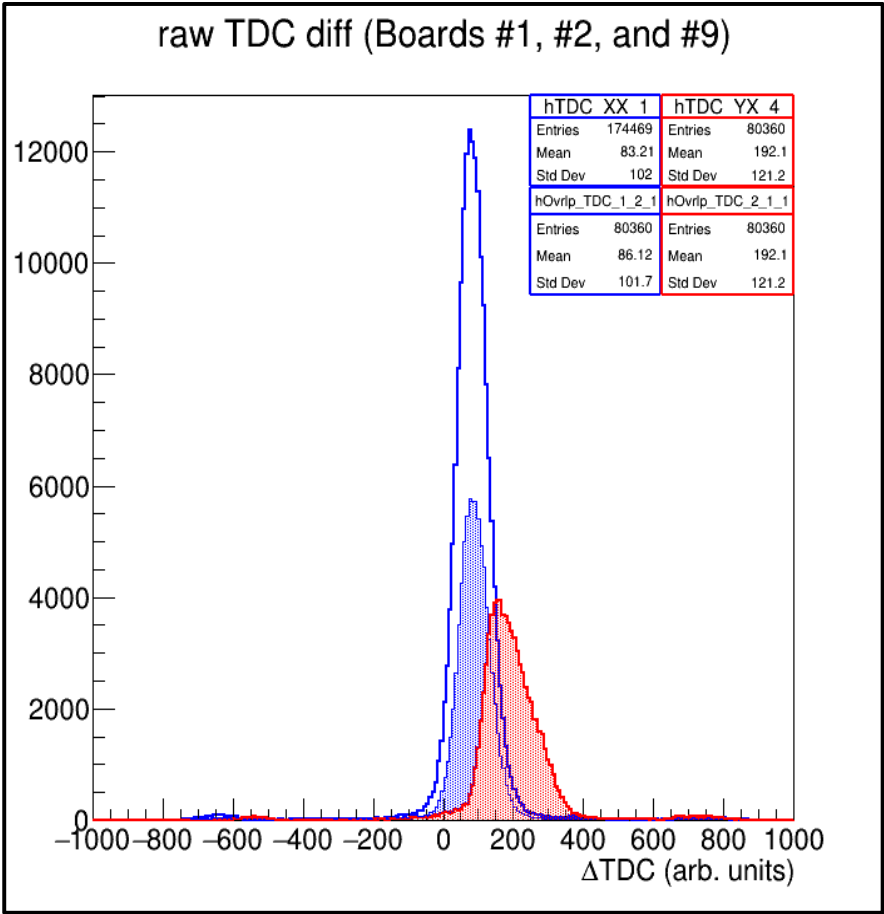


With X-board results

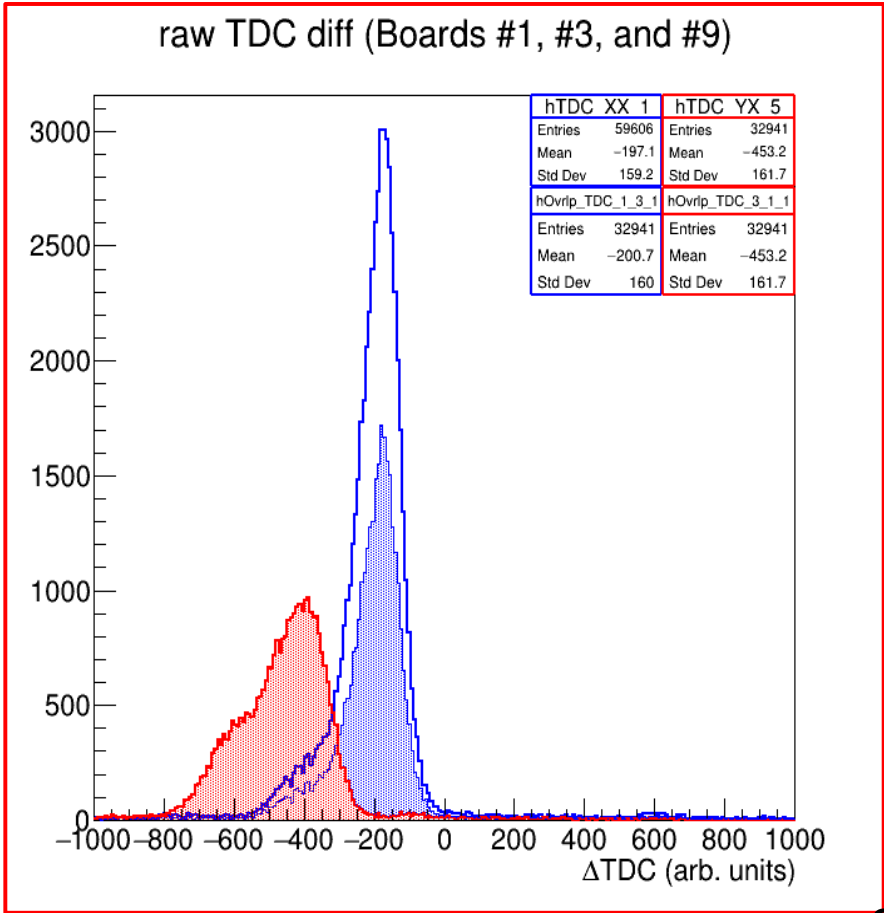
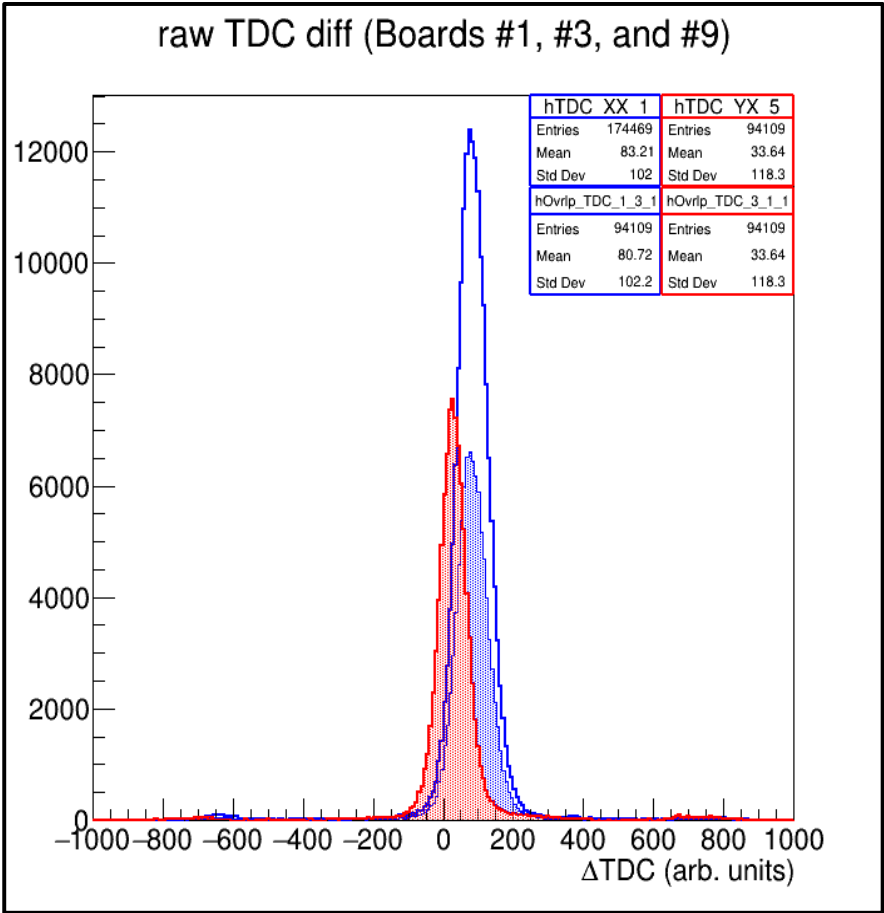


With Y-board results

# Boards 1, 2, and 9



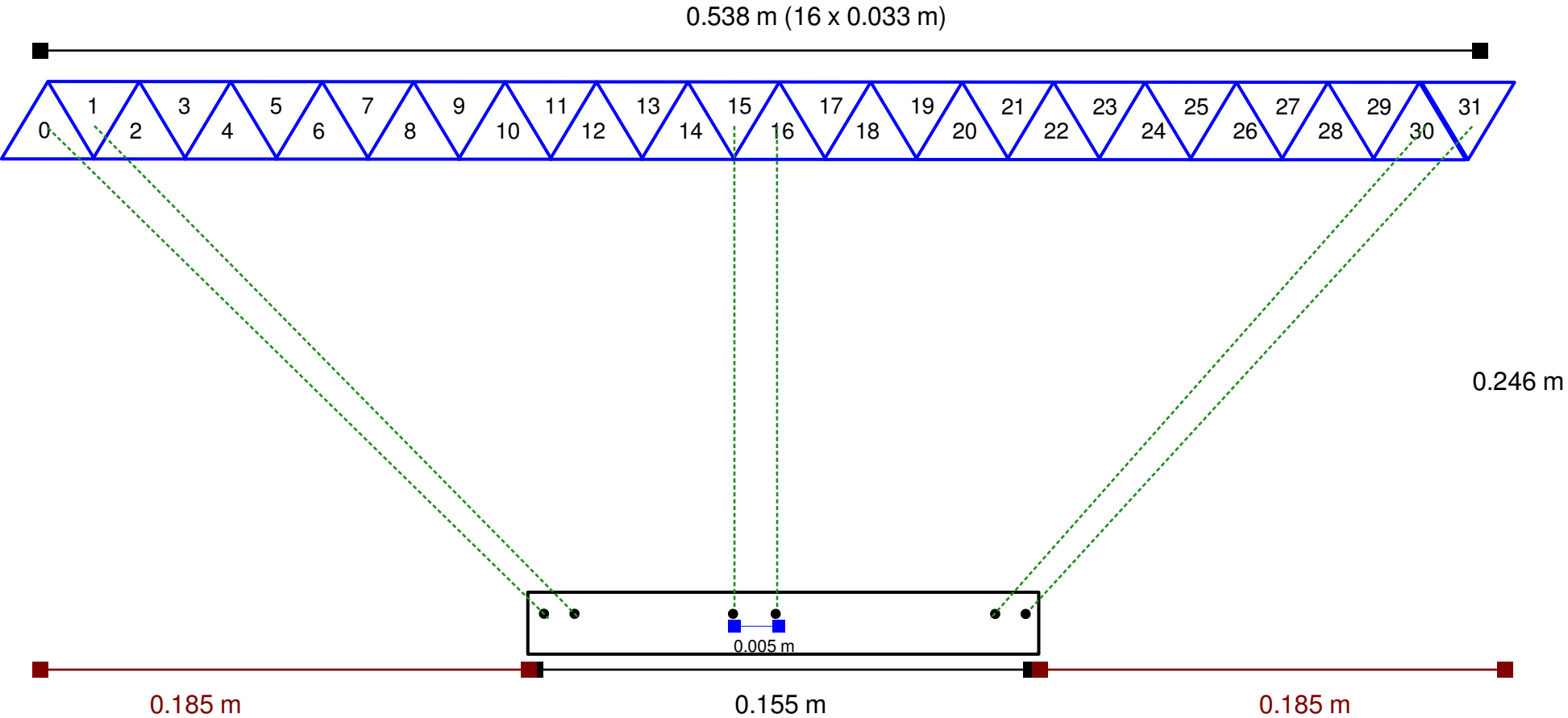
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		TDC diff. (counts)			Delay term (ns)			
		Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	
Stns 1 v 3	1-2 (9 fixed)	83.2	86.1	192.1	7.1	5.1	-21.0	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-5.4</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 3.6 ns
	1-3 (9 fixed)	83.2	80.7	33.6	7.1	8.7	3.1	
Stns 2 v 3	5-6 (9 fixed)	32.7	53.5	48.1	-2.4	-2.9	14.2	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-1.1</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 0.8 ns
	5-7 (9 fixed)	32.7	52.4	138.2	-2.4	-2.1	-14.6	
Stns 3 v 1	9-10 (1 fixed)	83.2	84.7	18.4	7.1	5.8	5.5	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-2.8</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 2.3 ns
	9-11 (1 fixed)	83.2	81.9	-42.1	7.1	8.1	14.3	
Stns 2 v 1	5-6 (1 fixed)	52.8	53.5	39.9	7.4	7.0	0.9	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-0.6</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 0.6 ns
	5-7 (1 fixed)	52.8	52.9	-54.5	7.4	7.6	19.2	

	Boards Combination	ROSSO						
		TDC diff. (counts)			Delay term (ns)			
		Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	
Stns 1 v 3	1-2 (9 fixed)	-197.1	-192.7	-106.0	16.5	14.4	0.4	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-8.0</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 3.5 ns
	1-3 (9 fixed)	-197.1	-200.7	-453.2	16.5	18.1	56.0	
Stns 2 v 3	5-6 (9 fixed)	313.2	-521.6	-272.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-11.5</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = n/a
	5-7 (9 fixed)	313.2	-533.1	596.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Stns 3 v 1	9-10 (1 fixed)	-197.1	-193.4	-130.8	16.5	14.9	5.3	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-6.7</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = 2.8 ns
	9-11 (1 fixed)	-197.1	-200.1	-64.0	16.5	17.7	2.5	
Stns 2 v 1	5-6 (1 fixed)	-528.0	-521.6	-461.1	n/a	n/a	n/a	$\Delta$ TDC = <b>-11.5</b> counts $\Delta$ delay = n/a
	5-7 (1 fixed)	-528.0	-533.1	-493.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	

# Additional correction to fiber delays



Not drawn to scale

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		Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	
Stns 1 v 3	1-2 (9 fixed)	83.2	86.1	192.1	7.1 (8.6)	5.1 (6.7)	-21.0 (-20.3)	$\Delta$ TDC = -5.4 counts $\Delta$ delay = 3.6 ns (3.4 ns)
	1-3 (9 fixed)	83.2	80.7	33.6	7.1 (8.6)	8.7 (10.1)	3.1 (4.5)	
Stns 2 v 3	5-6 (9 fixed)	32.7	53.5	48.1	-2.4 (1.1)	-2.9 (-2.7)	14.2 (16.1)	$\Delta$ TDC = -1.1 counts $\Delta$ delay = 0.8 ns (0.9 ns)
	5-7 (9 fixed)	32.7	52.4	138.2	-2.4 (1.1)	-2.1 (-1.8)	-14.6 (-13.8)	
Stns 3 v 1	9-10 (1 fixed)	83.2	84.7	18.4	7.1 (8.6)	5.8 (6.1)	5.5 (6.3)	$\Delta$ TDC = -2.8 counts $\Delta$ delay = 2.3 ns (2.7 ns)
	9-11 (1 fixed)	83.2	81.9	-42.1	7.1 (8.6)	8.1 (8.8)	14.3 (16.0)	
Stns 2 v 1	5-6 (1 fixed)	52.8	53.5	39.9	7.4 (8.7)	7.0 (8.3)	0.9 (1.6)	$\Delta$ TDC = -0.6 counts $\Delta$ delay = 0.6 ns (0.5 ns)
	5-7 (1 fixed)	52.8	52.9	-54.5	7.4 (8.7)	7.6 (8.8)	19.2 (21.4)	

Note: New results after taking into account additional fiber delays are shown in the parenthesis.

	Boards Combination	ROSSO						
		TDC diff. (counts)			Delay term (ns)			
		Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	Blank Blue	Shaded Blue	Shaded Red	
Stns 1 v 3	1-2 (9 fixed)	-197.1	-192.7	-106.0	16.5 (18.2)	14.4 (15.6)	0.4 (1.7)	$\Delta$ TDC = -8.0 counts $\Delta$ delay = 3.5 ns (3.8 ns)
	1-3 (9 fixed)	-197.1	-200.7	-453.2	16.5 (18.2)	18.1 (19.4)	56.0 (57.8)	
Stns 2 v 3	5-6 (9 fixed)	313.2	-521.6	-272.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	$\Delta$ TDC = -11.5 counts $\Delta$ delay = n/a
	5-7 (9 fixed)	313.2	-533.1	596.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Stns 3 v 1	9-10 (1 fixed)	-197.1	-193.4	-130.8	16.5 (18.2)	14.9 (15.4)	5.3 (6.7)	$\Delta$ TDC = -6.7 counts $\Delta$ delay = 2.8 ns (3.9 ns)
	9-11 (1 fixed)	-197.1	-200.1	-64.0	16.5 (18.2)	17.7 (19.3)	2.5 (3.3)	
Stns 2 v 1	5-6 (1 fixed)	-528.0	-521.6	-461.1	n/a	n/a	n/a	$\Delta$ TDC = -11.5 counts $\Delta$ delay = n/a
	5-7 (1 fixed)	-528.0	-533.1	-493.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	



# SUMMARY

- Time Expansion (Texp) Calibration for BLU vs ROSSO and NERO
- Time of Flight (ToF) with MURAVES data
  - ✓ Most issues we were experiencing before with ROSSO and NERO data are not present in BLU data from the lab
  - ✓ Promising results showing the behaviors that are described in Gigi's thesis
  - ✓ Cannot perform similar analysis for ROSSO and NERO due to lack of proper calibration results
- In this talk, we sketched out a possible plan to make use of “free-sky” calibration data to deal with ToF issues, using ROSSO and NERO data (with more work on-going!!)
- Future work : need to verify our approach with BLU “free-sky” data since all the Texp variables are known for BLU and then, work towards extracting missing Texp calibration parameters ROSSO and NERO for so that complete ToF calibration can be performed