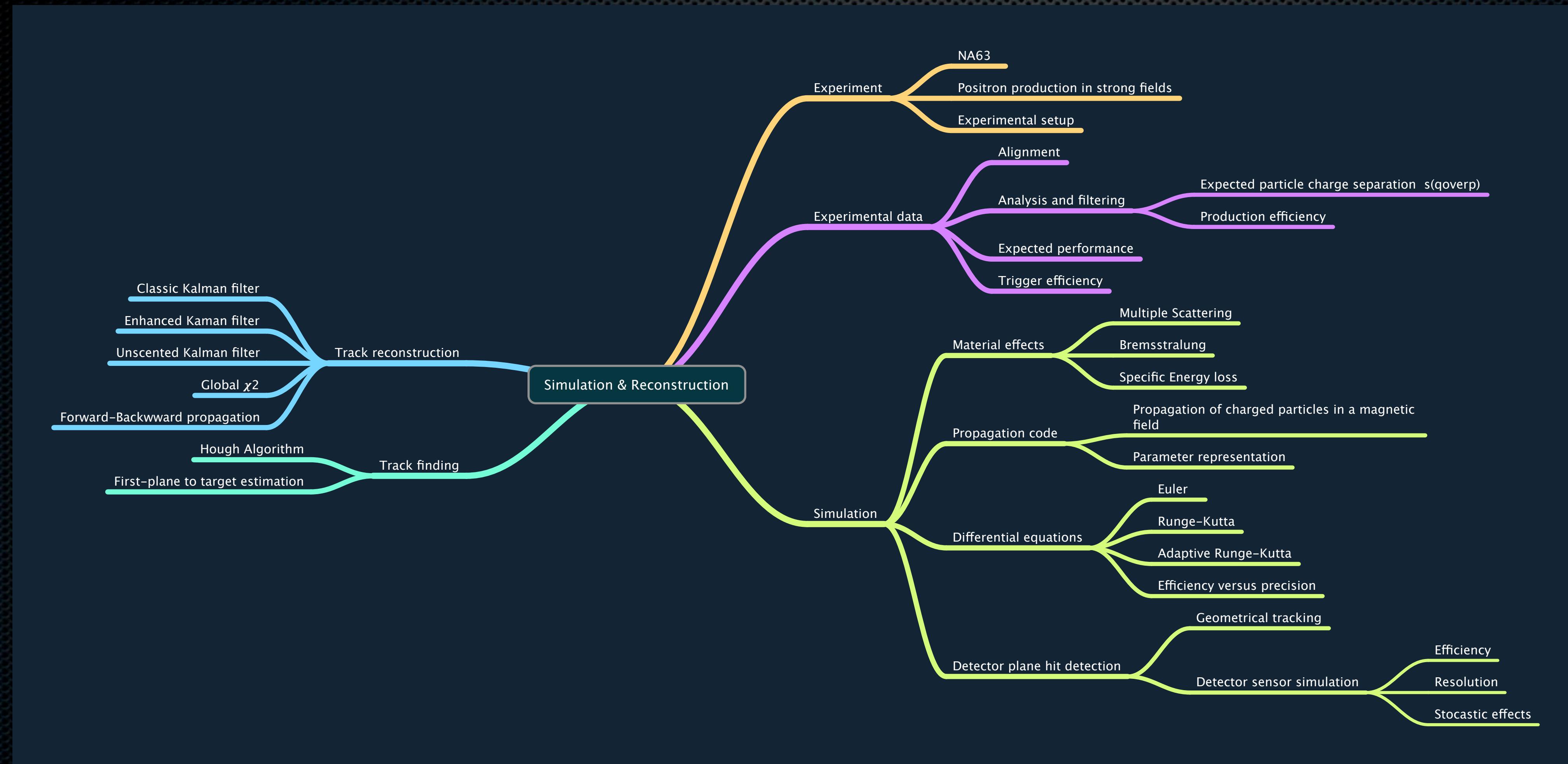


Simulation & Reconstruction

Or: Discovering aspects of
computational [experimental] particle physics

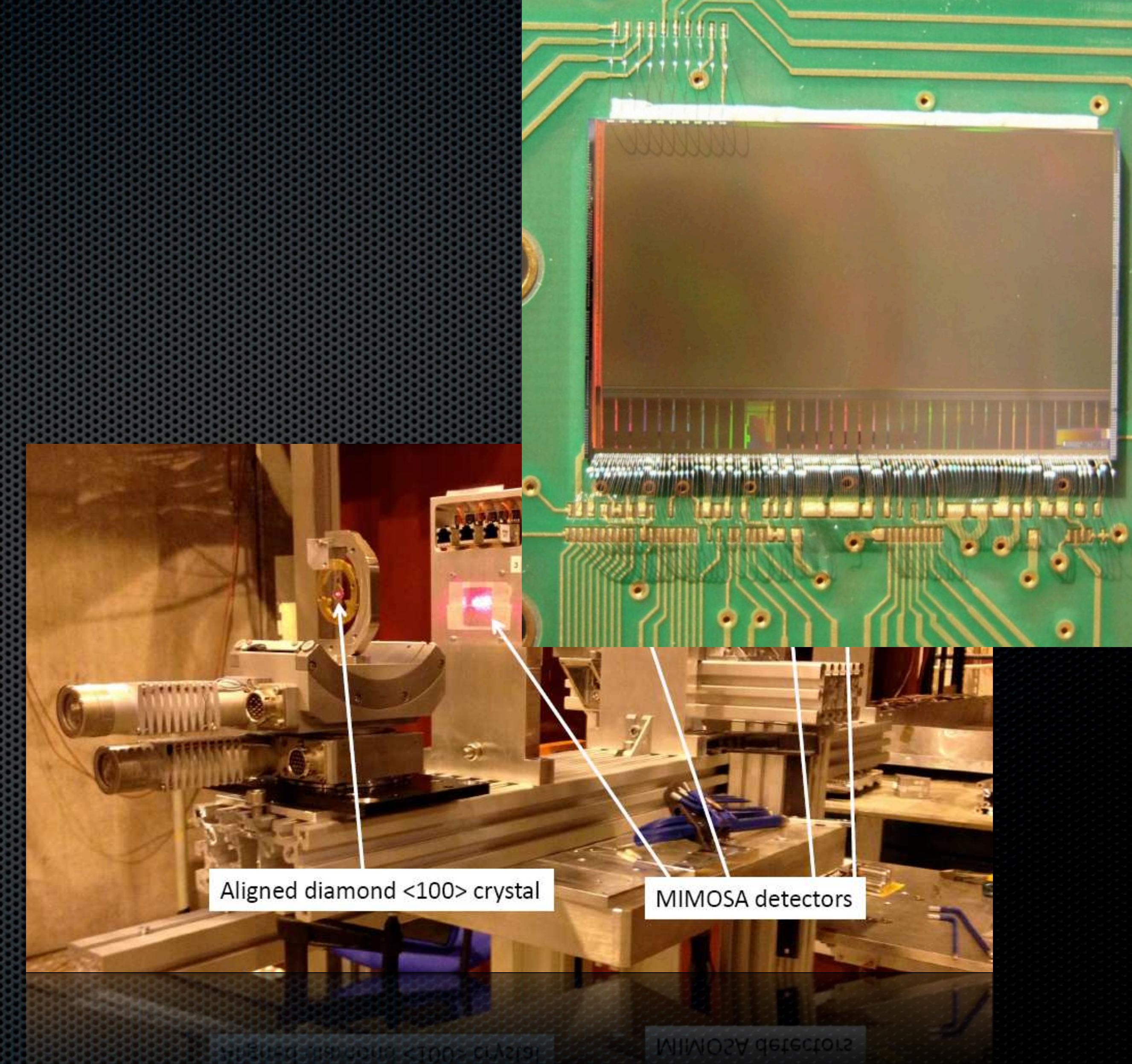
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Overview

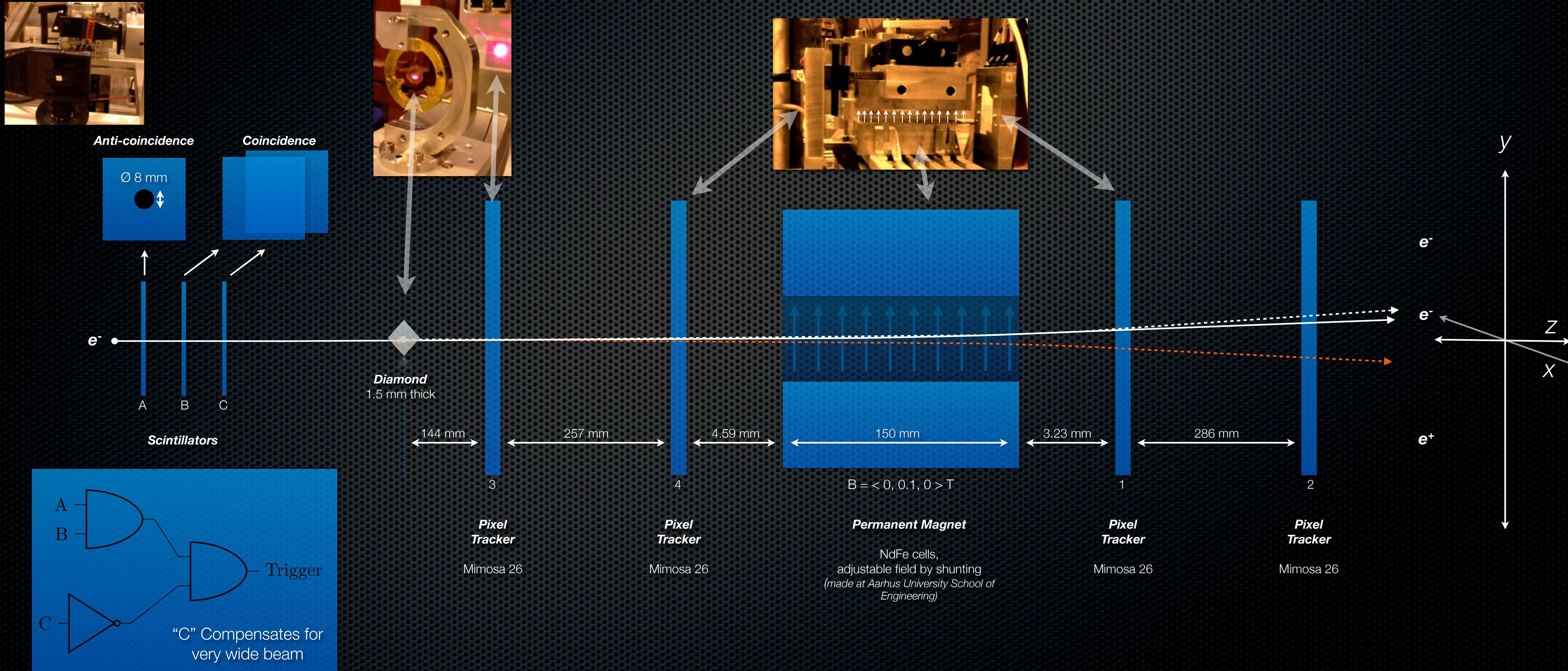


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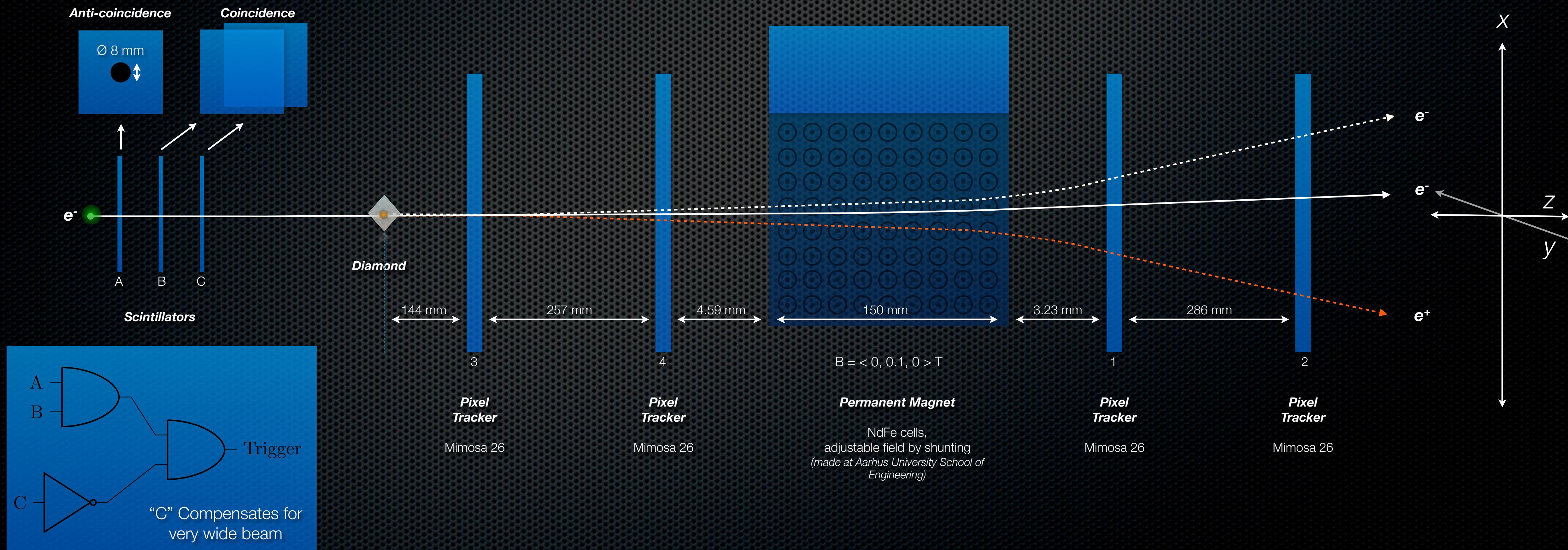
- Positron production due to strong electric fields...



Mimosa NA63 Diamond Setup

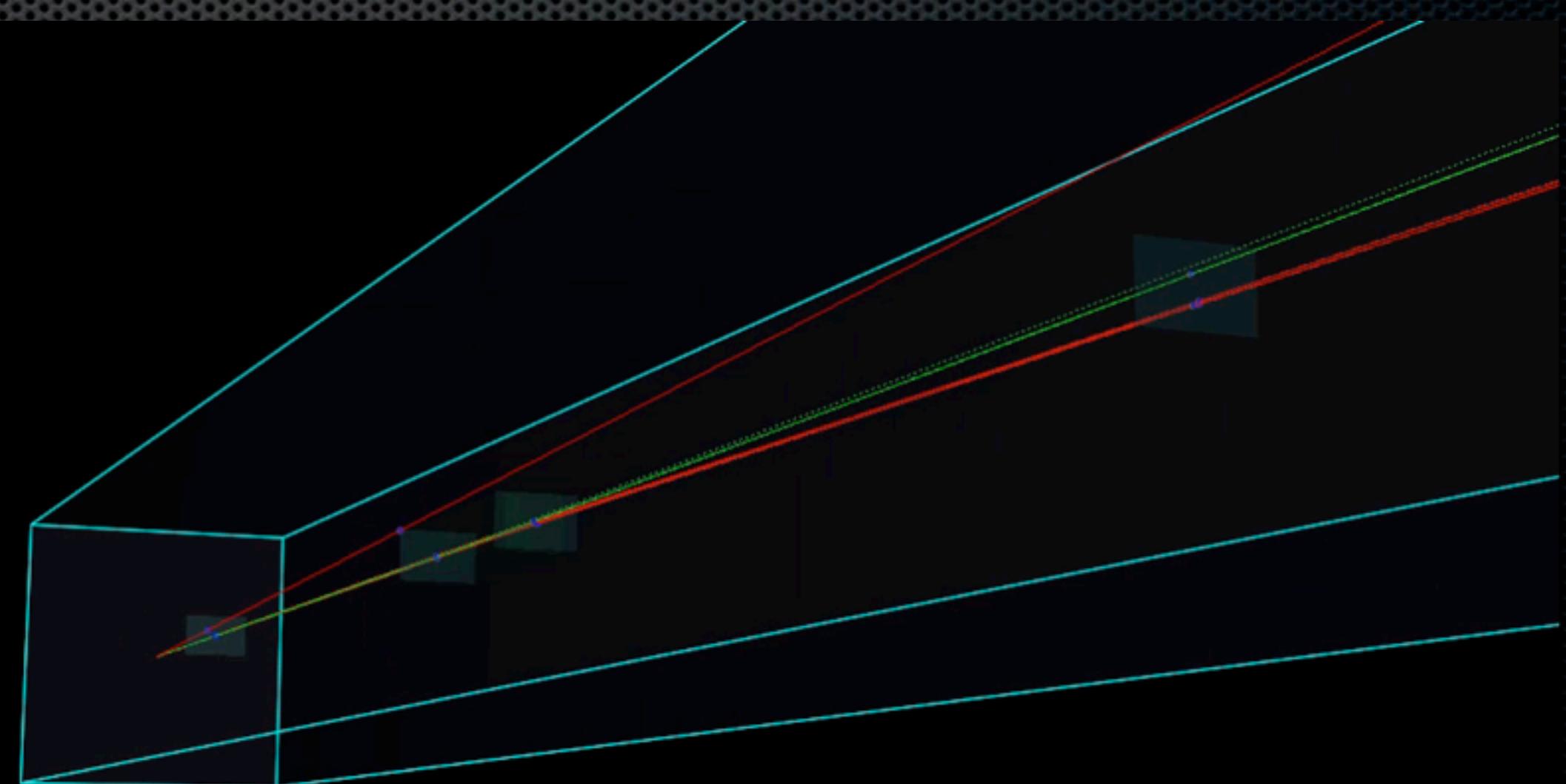


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The Simulation

- Write a simulation to understand how to reconstruct tracks in the events...



Particle Propagation

- The problem
- Magnetic Field
- Scattering and Energy Loss
- Track parameter representation
- Differential Solvers
- Detection modelling

The problem

- Solve the propagation equation in an arbitrary magnetic field, effectively handle the Lorentz force:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = \frac{d(m\gamma d\mathbf{x}/dt)}{dt} = c^2 \kappa q \mathbf{v}(t) \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}(t))$$

- The complete description of a particle's state as a function of distance z at a given point in space can be described by a 5-vector with local coordinates, directions and charge/momentum,

$$\mathbf{r} = (x, y, t_x, t_y, q/p)^T$$

- That makes it possible to solve the dynamical equation as a function of distance along z ,

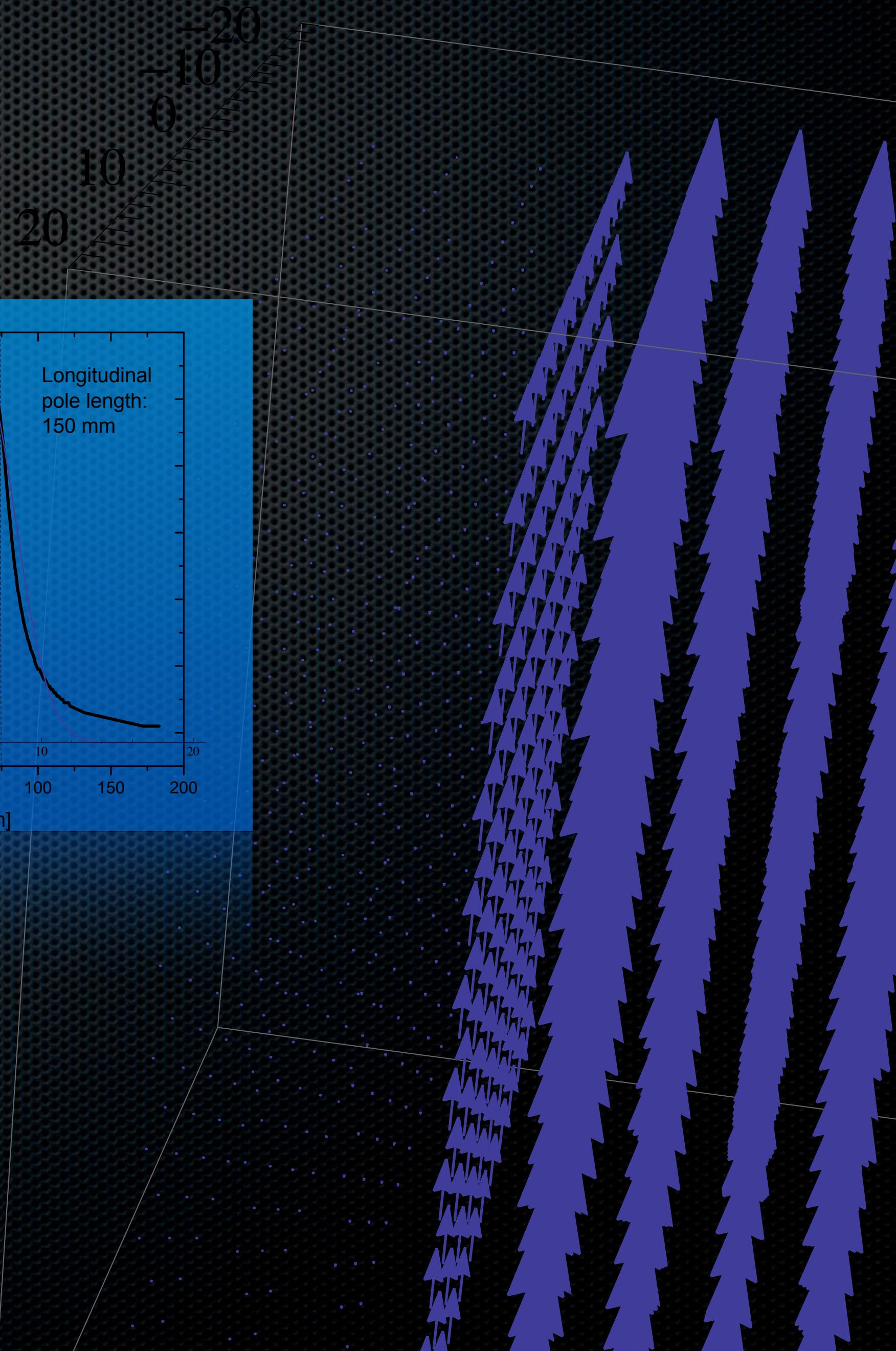
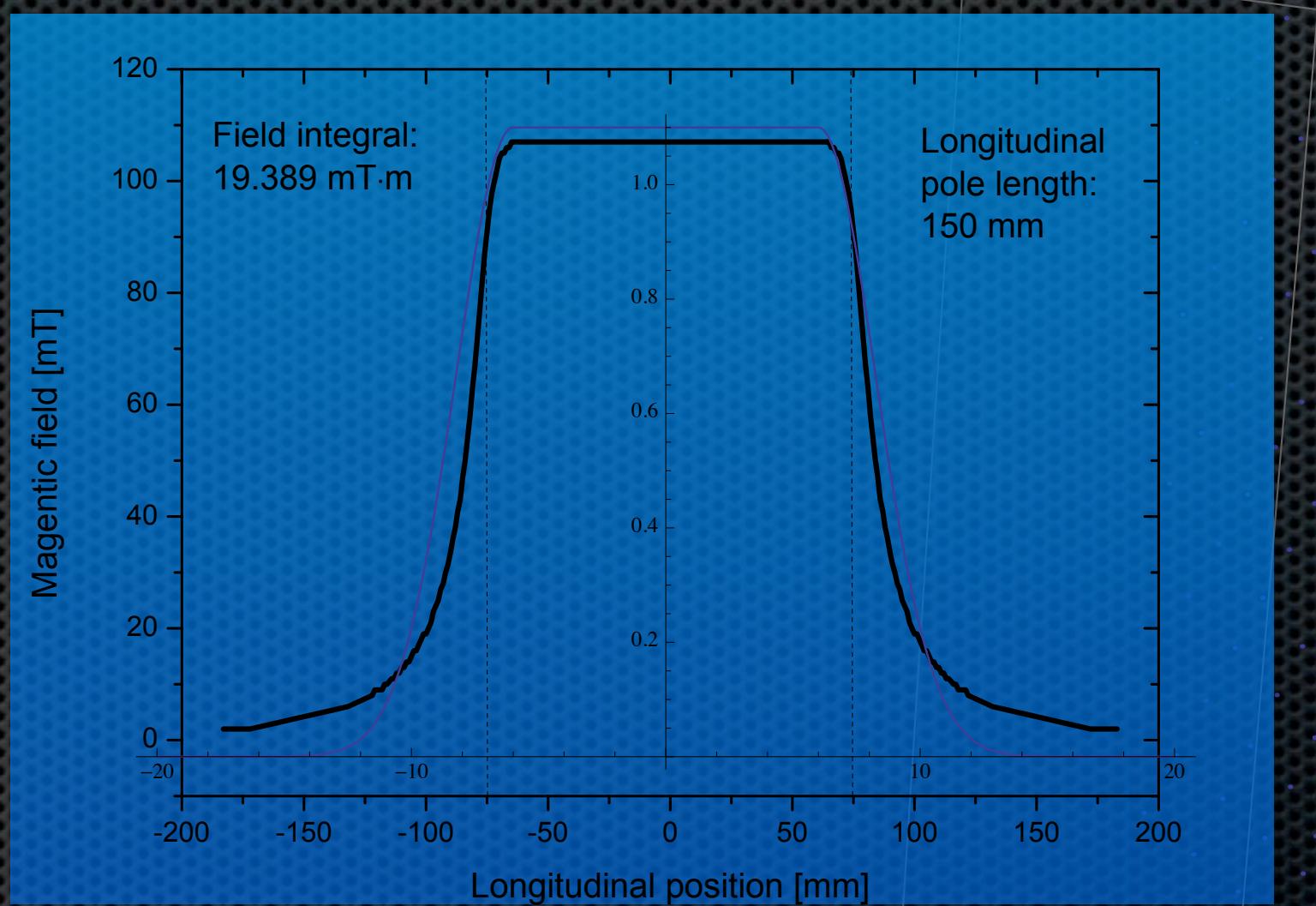
$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}(z)}{dz} = \begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ dt_x \\ dt_y \\ d(q/p) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ \kappa \cdot (q/p) \cdot \sqrt{1+t_x^2+t_y^2} \cdot (t_x t_y \cdot B_x - (1+t_x^2) \cdot B_y + t_y \cdot B_z) \\ \kappa \cdot (q/p) \cdot \sqrt{1+t_x^2+t_y^2} \cdot ((1+t_y^2) \cdot B_x - t_x t_y \cdot B_y - t_x \cdot B_z) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{f}(z, \mathbf{r})$$

Magnetic Field Modelling

- Natural permanent magnets arranged to form a fairly homogeneous field along the longitudinal beam direction

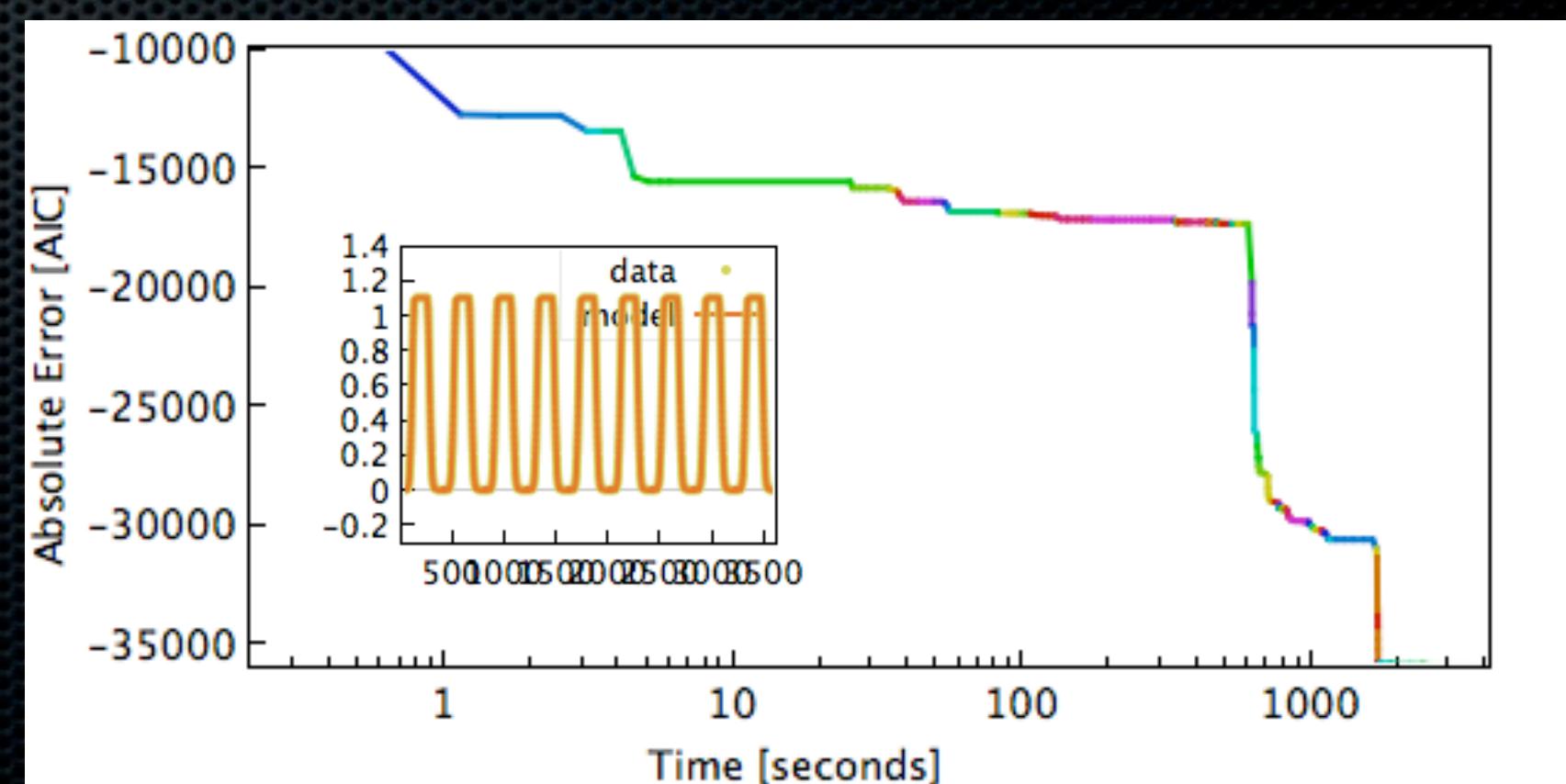
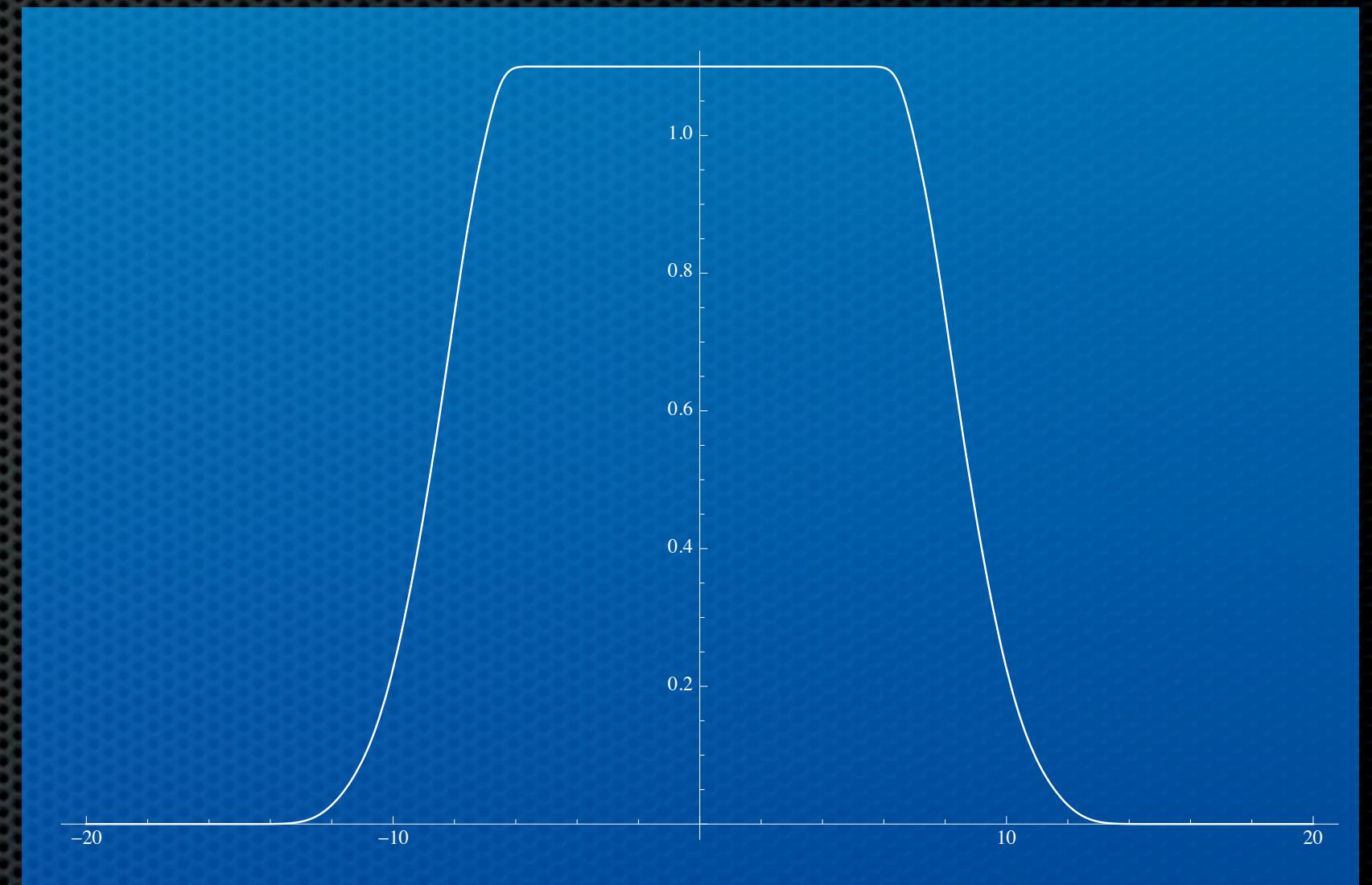
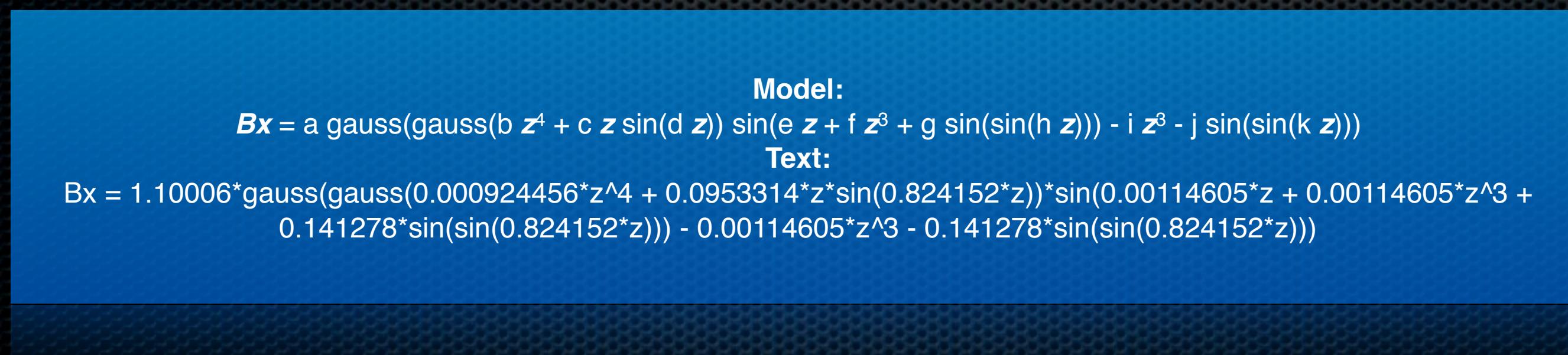
- Super simple model
(flat top and gaussian tails)

$$\vec{B}(z) = \begin{cases} (B_{z_0}, 0, 0)^T, & \text{if } -60 < z < 60 \text{ mm} \\ (B_{z_0} e^{\frac{-(z-60\text{mm})^2}{2c^2}}, 0, 0)^T, & \text{if } z > 60 \text{ mm} \\ (B_{z_0} a^{\frac{-(z+60\text{mm})^2}{2c^2}}, 0, 0)^T, & \text{if } z < -60 \text{ mm} \end{cases}$$



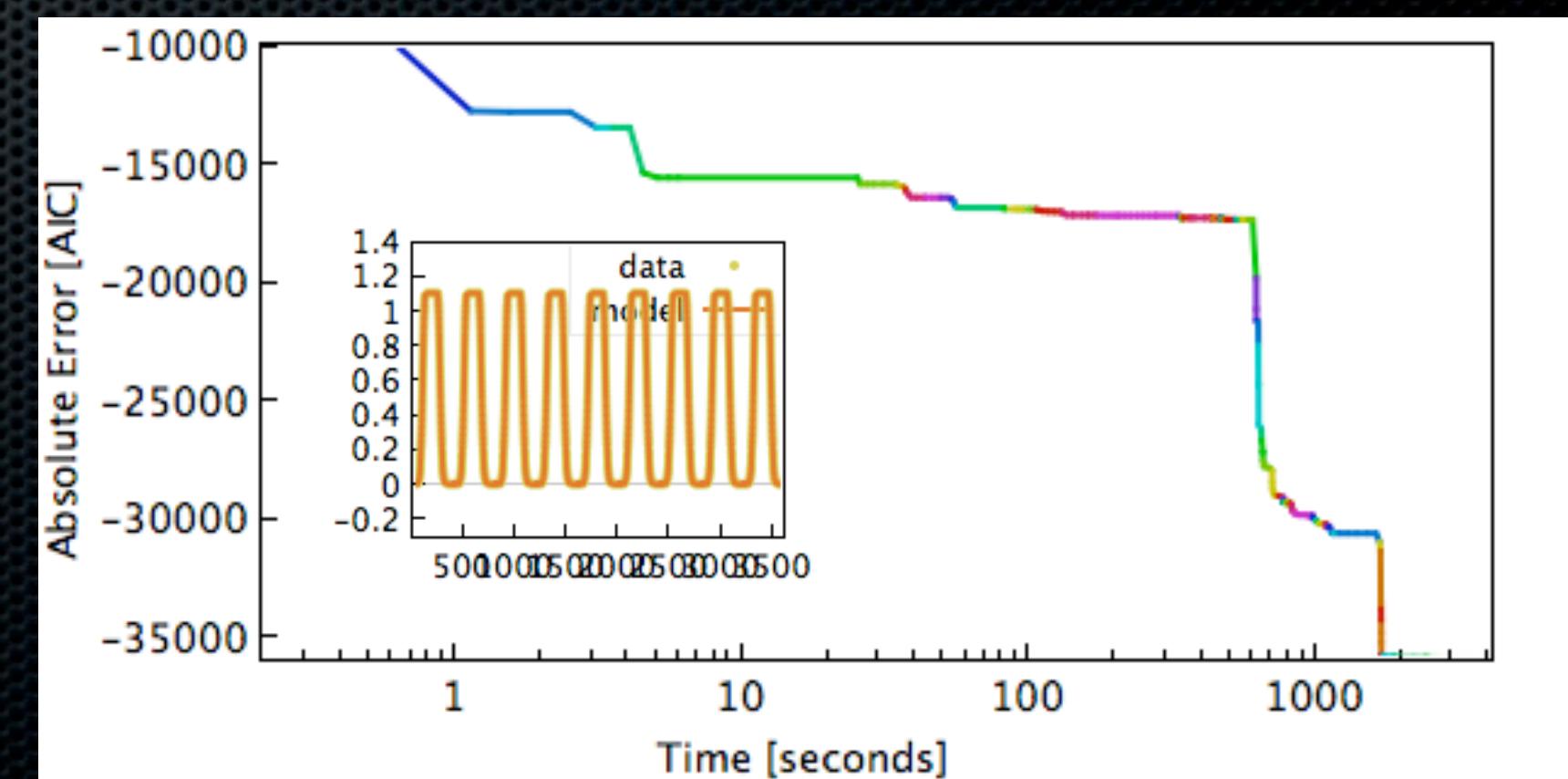
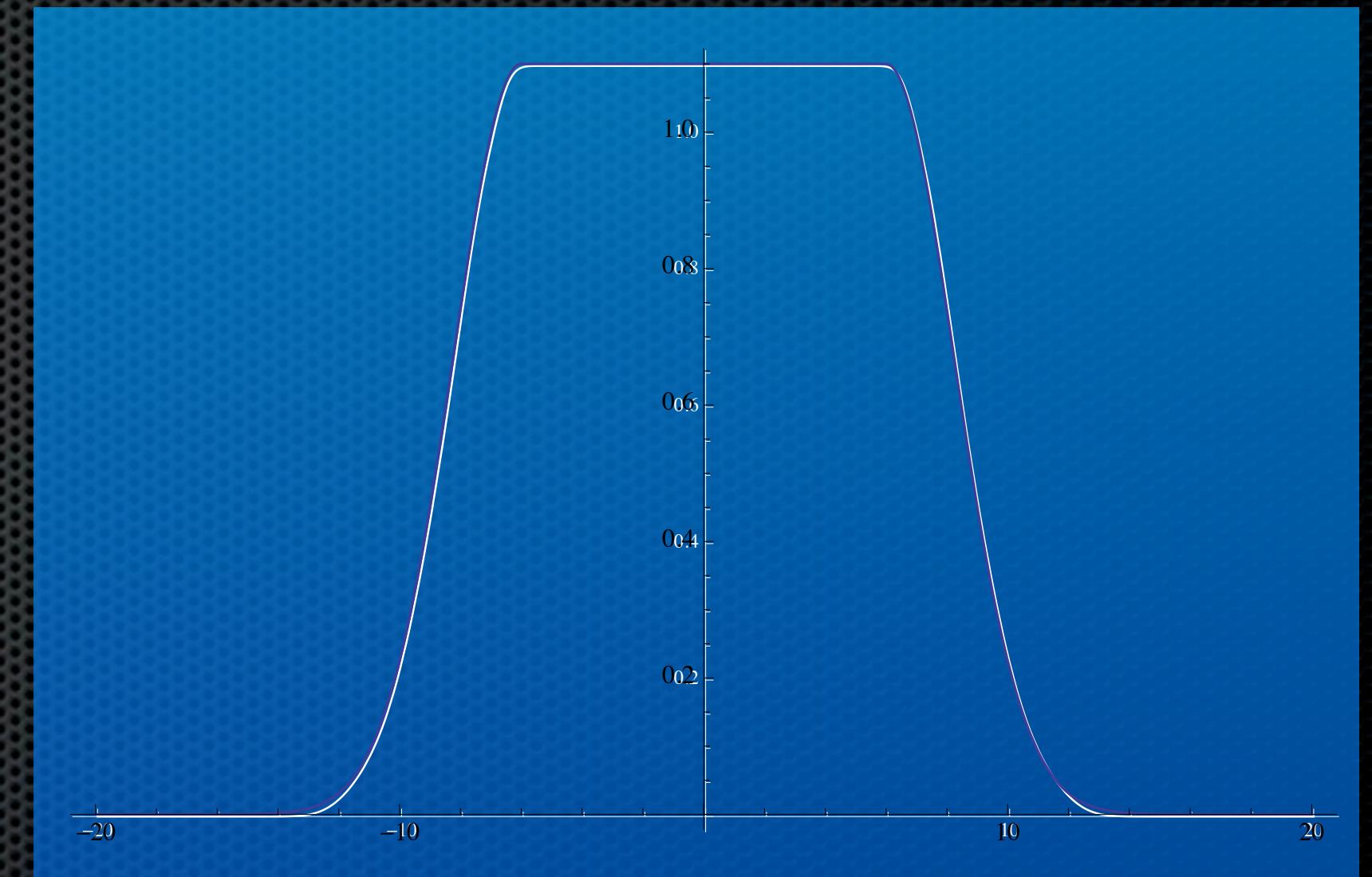
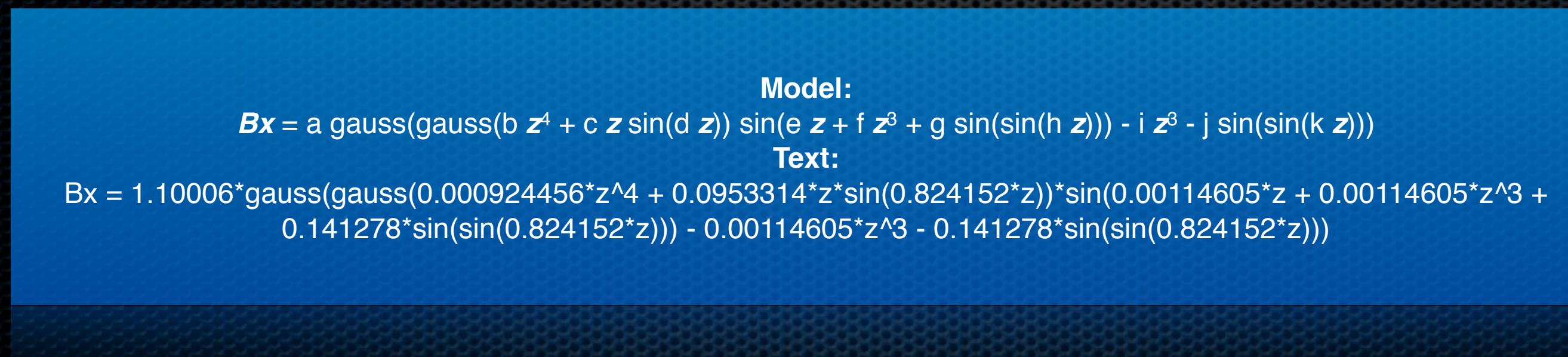
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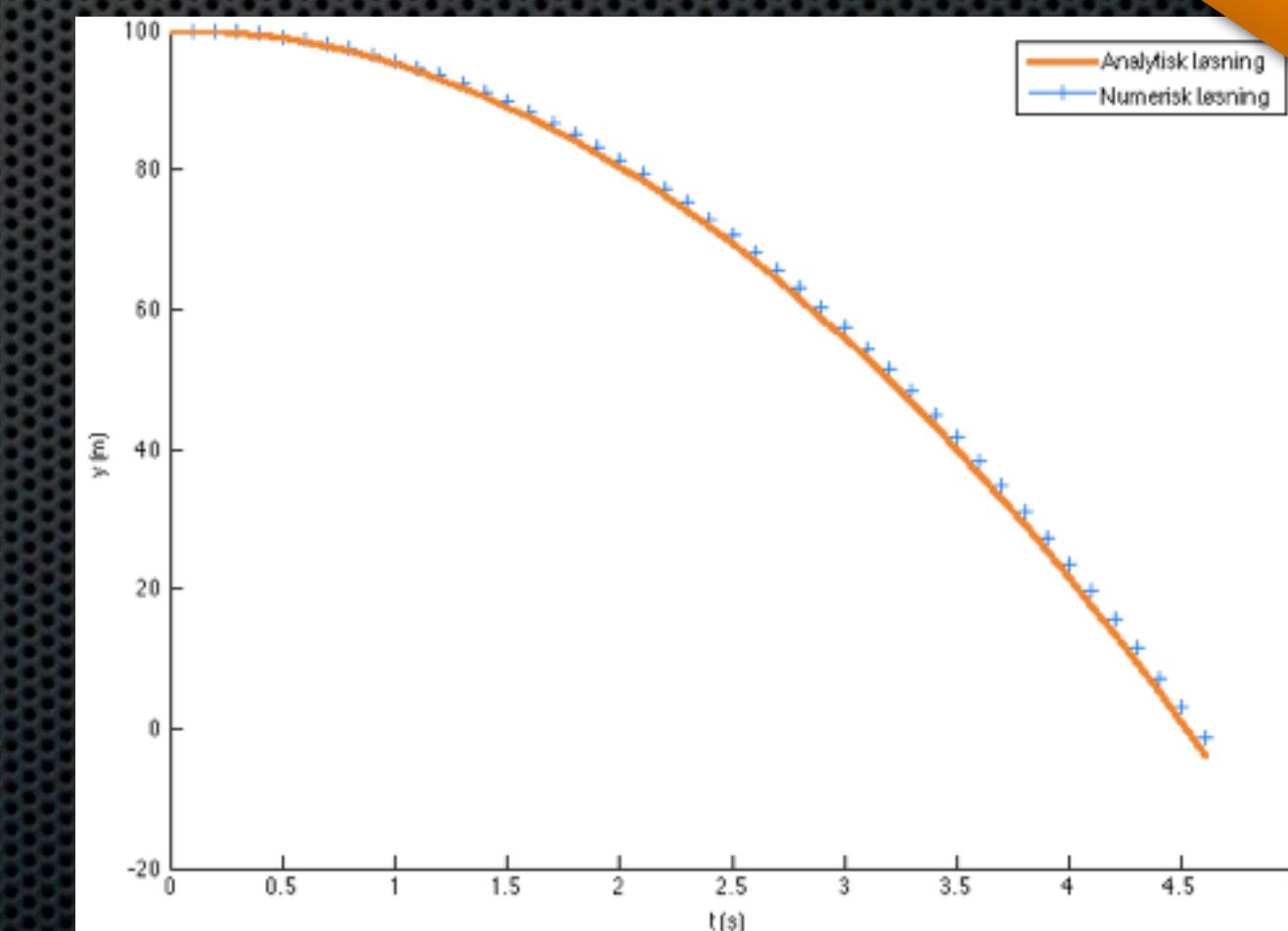
Scattering & Energy Loss

- Multiple Scattering
- Bremsstrahlung & Energy loss
- (Pair production?)

Differential Solvers

- Requirements from solvers
 - Precision
 - Speed/efficiency
- Tested versions
 - Euler
 - Runge-Kutta 4
 - Adaptive RK45

$$y(t + \Delta t) = y(t) + v(t)\Delta t$$
$$v(t + \Delta t) = v(t) - g\Delta t$$



```
g = -9.8;
y0 = 100; v0 = 0; % start
y = y0; v = v0; % initial
t = 0; dt = 0.1; % time
% Euler method
while y > 0 % stop at y=0
    t = t + dt;
    y = y + v .* dt;
    v = v + g .* dt;
    plot(t,y,'b+')
end

% Analytical Solution
t = 0:0.1:t;
y = y0 + v0 + (0.5 .* g .* t.^2);
plot(t,y,'r')
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Euler

- Simplest way to solve ODEs (Ordinary Differential Equations)

Runge-Kutta

Adaptive Runge-Kutta

Solver comparison

Detection Modelling

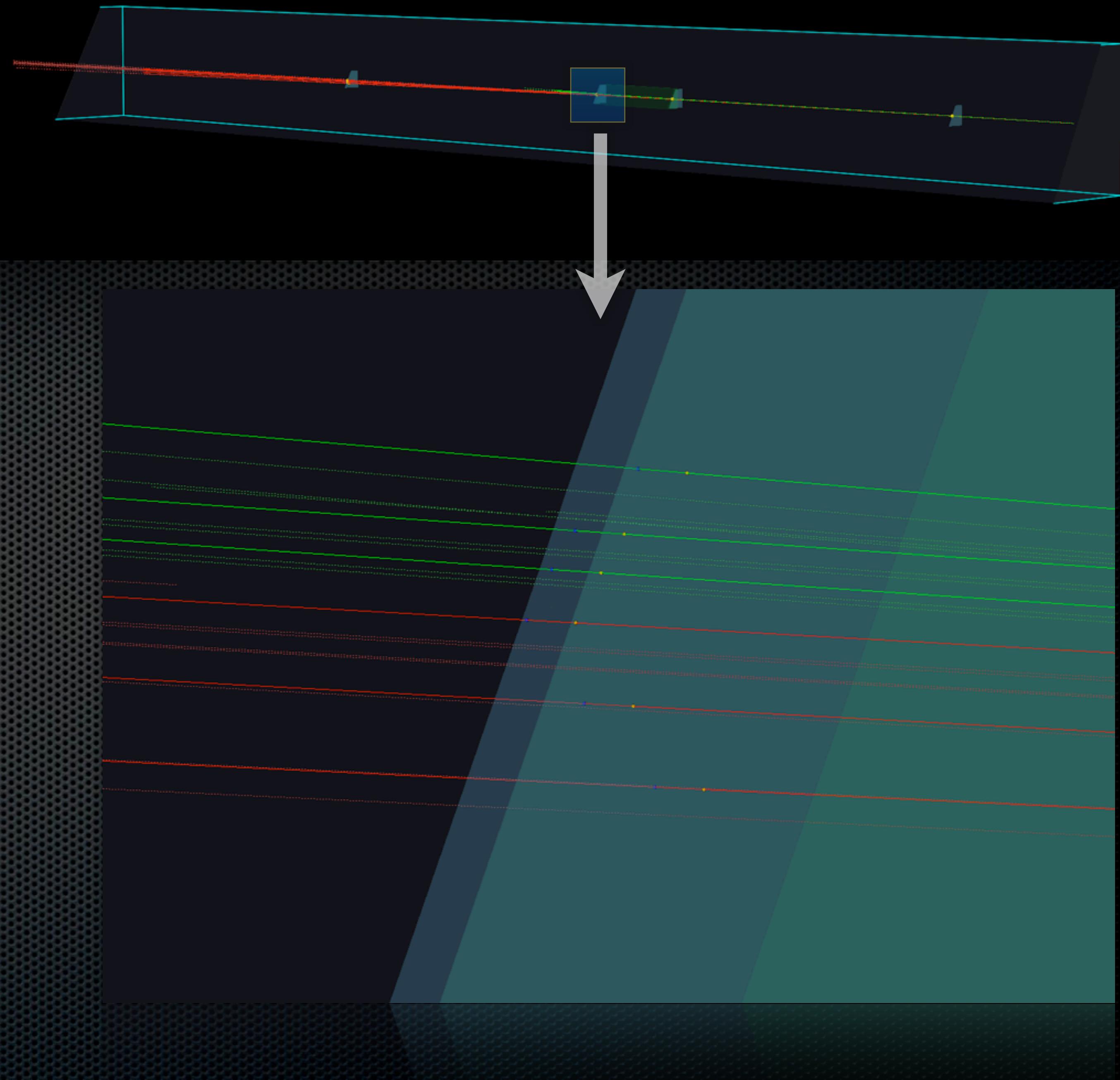
- Detector efficiencies
- Noise
- Resolution
- Alignment

Track Reconstruction

- Fitting with progressive-recursive filters i.e. Kalman Filters
 - Classical (linear) Kalman filters
 - Extended (locally linear) Kalman filters
 - Unscented (non-linear) Kalman filters
- Gaussian Sum Filters
- Deterministic Annealing Algorithms
- Forward-Backward tracking (smoothing)

Errors

- The devilish details, estimating error matrices for the Kalman filter
- Notice distance between dotted (fitted) and solid (truth) tracks to the right...



Analysis & Data