APA Gap Crossers

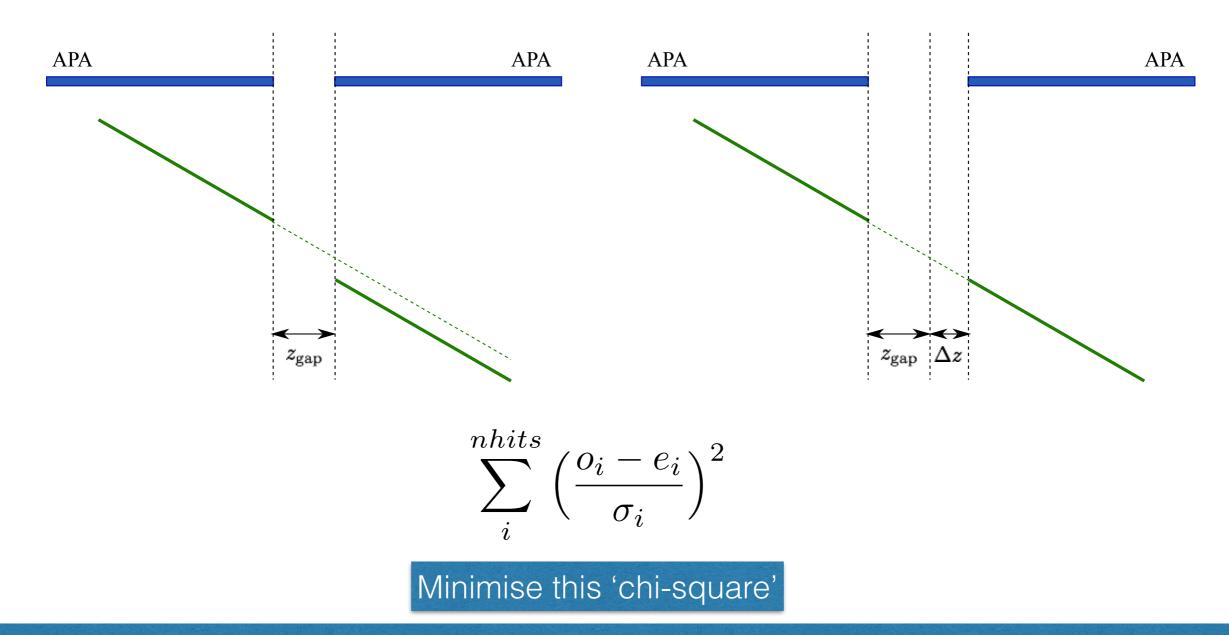
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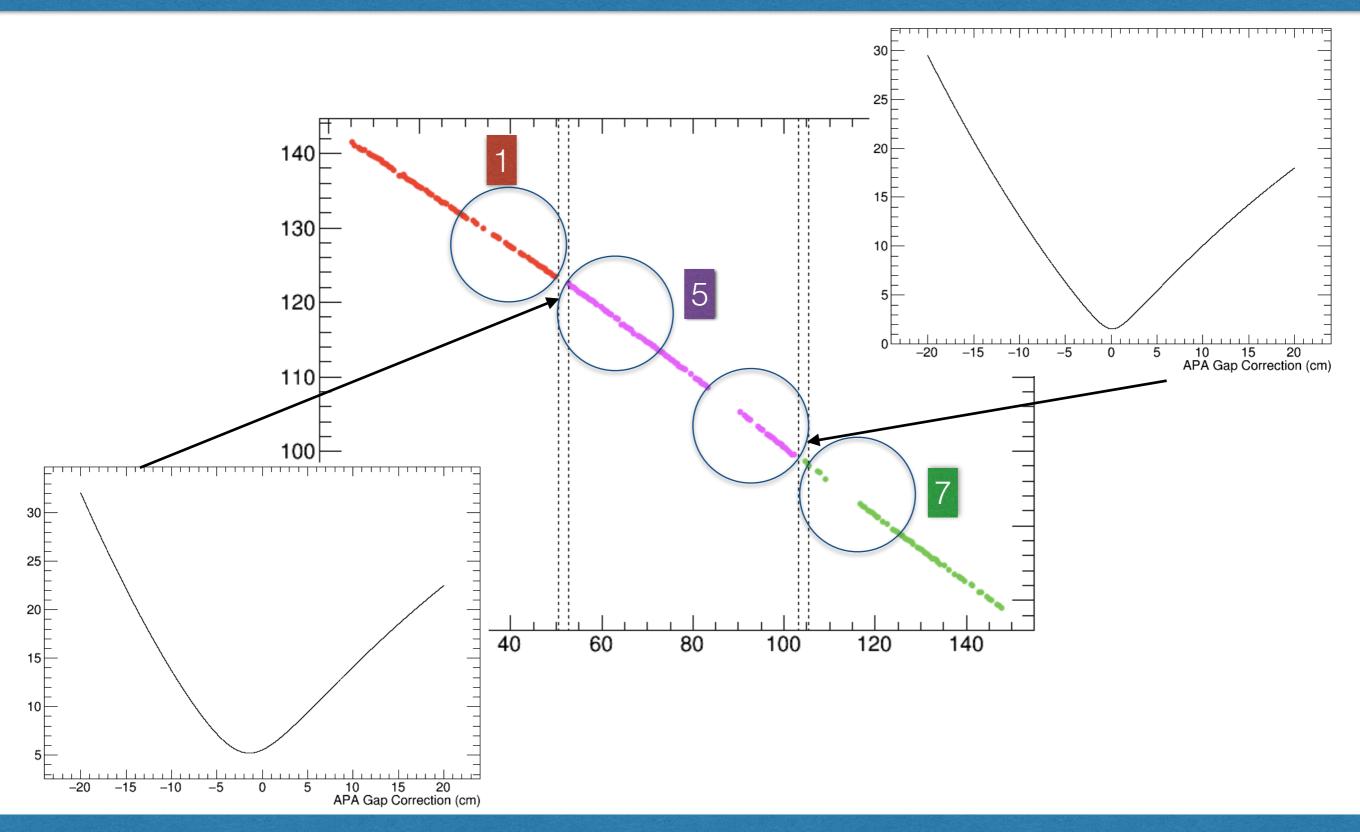
- Continuing the work I did with the APA crossers and considering APA gap crossers.
- Verifying Animesh's measurements of the gaps from data.
- Progress:
 - Finalised selection;
 - Optimised method to extract both *x* and *z*-offsets simultaneously;
 - Made all measurements;
 - Looked at charge deposited by APA-gap crossers.

Measuring APA Gaps

- Same code I used as APA crossers; fit linear regression, vary gap, minimise the residuals.
- Use only hits <15cm from the gap.



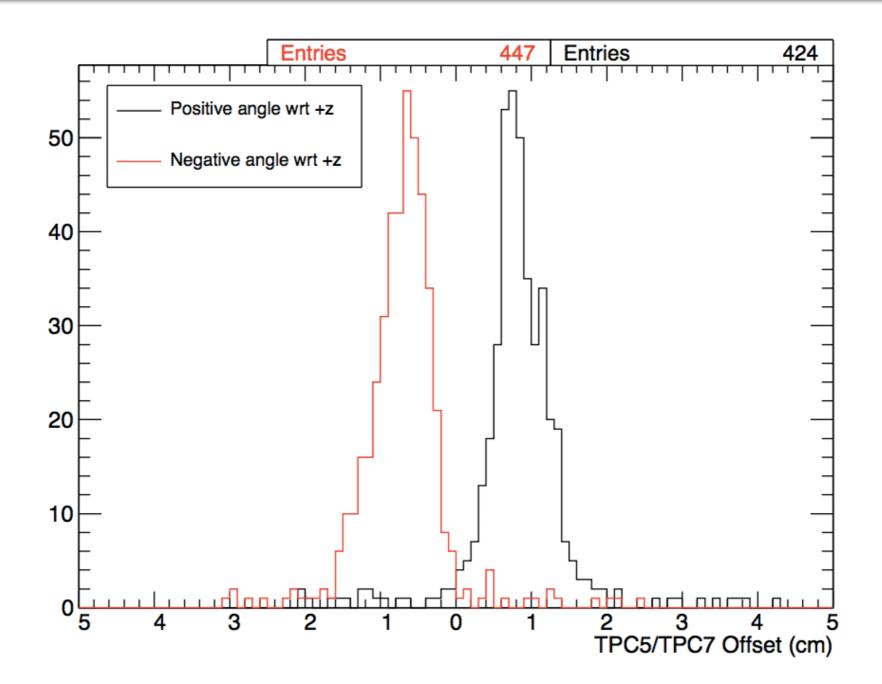
Measuring APA Gaps



Selecting Tracks

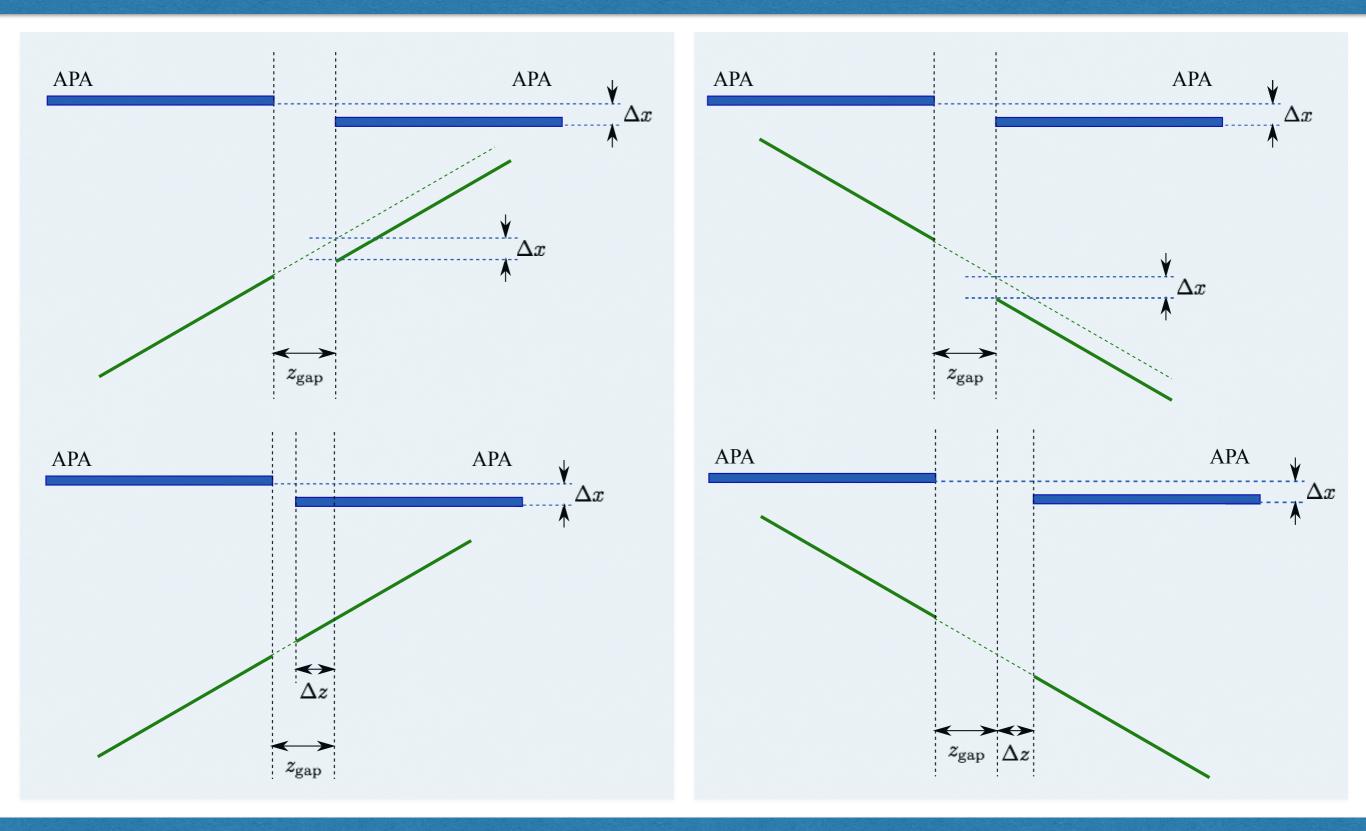
- Two main changes:
 - Fixed bug (or misunderstanding) with number of hits a track must have to be used. I was accidentally considering all hits in the TPCs, not those in the specified region near the gaps.
 - Now take hits > 1 cm and < 15 cm from the gap.
- Selection is well defined now:
 - At least three hits, 1 cm < distance from gap < 15 cm;
 - Angle between these segments < 2 deg.
 - 'Counter gradient' >= 3

TPC5/TPC7 Offset Observations

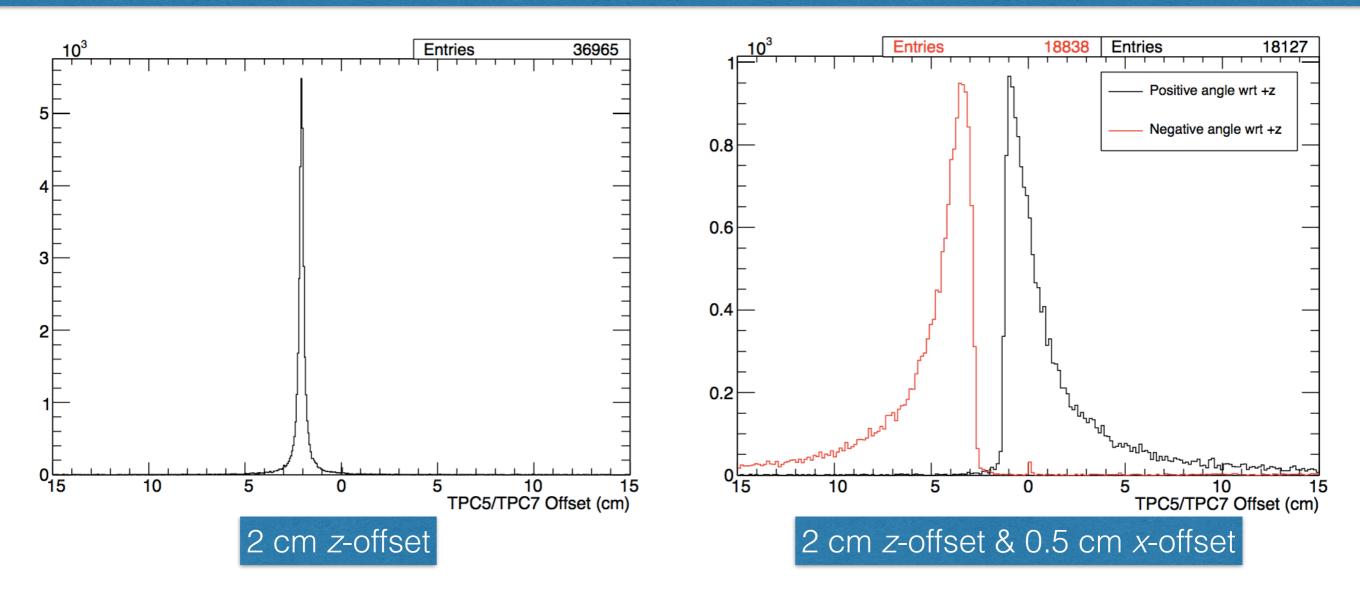


• Appears to be two peaks — and dependent on the angle the track makes to the APA frames.

Potential x-(or time-) Offset



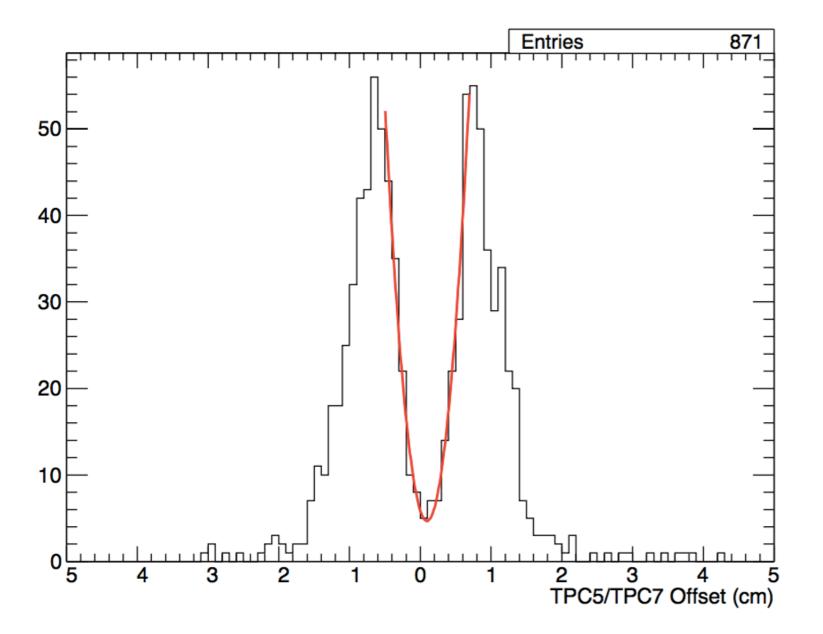
Offsets in Simulation



- Just a *z*-offset does not cause this effect.
- A combined z-offset and x-offset appears to explain what we're seeing in the data. Can measure the z-offset from the simultaneous minima of the distributions.

TPC5/TPC7 Offsets

• Use the minimum of the distribution to find *z*-offset.



Fit function of form

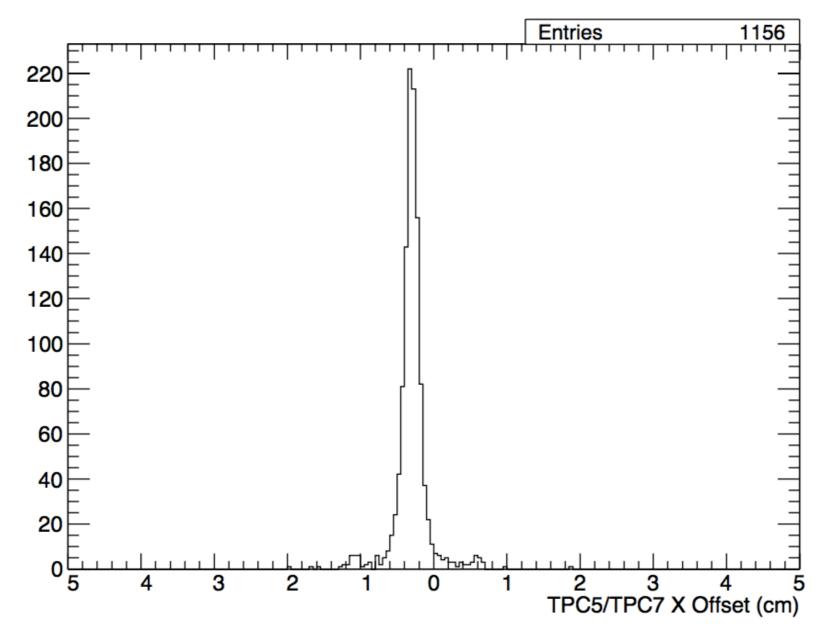
$$f(x) = a(x-b)^2 + c$$

and extract *b* as the *z*-offset.

• *z*-offset = 0.1 cm.

TPC5/TPC7 Offsets

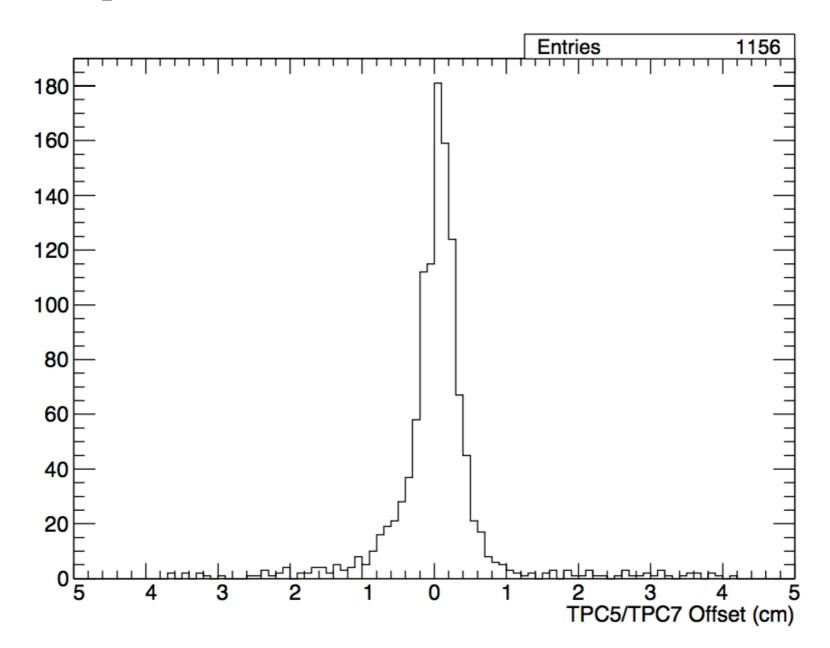
• Apply this offset to the tracks and measure *x*-offset:



• x-offset = -0.3 cm.

TPC5/TPC7 Offsets

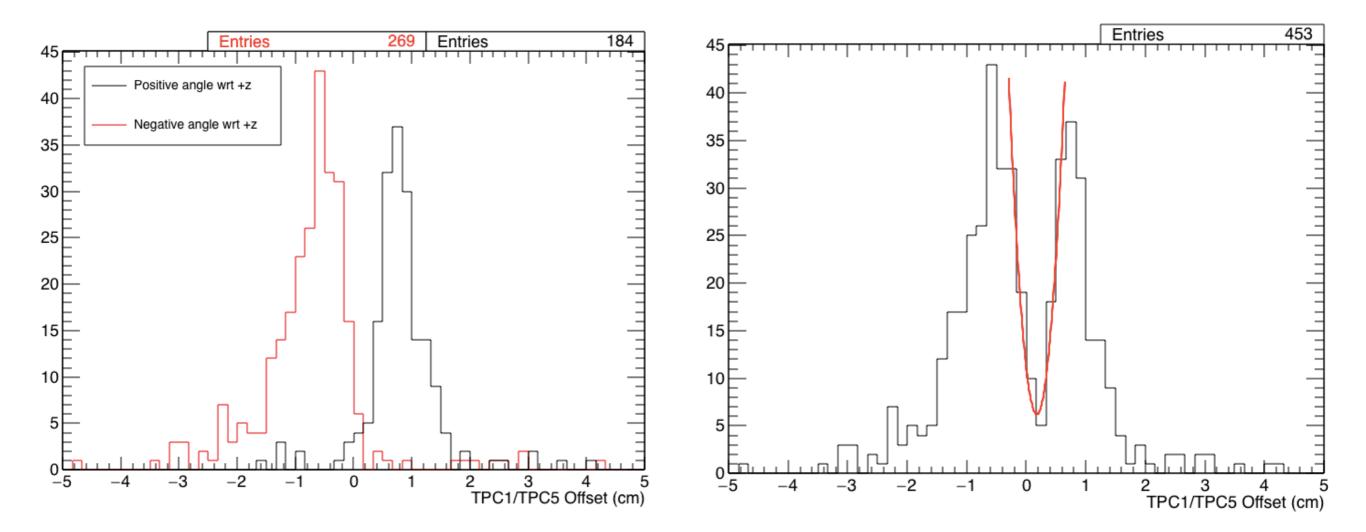
• Should then be a nice peak at the value of *z*-offset measured:



• Measure *z*-offset = 0.06 cm (c.f. 0.09 cm) — and ambiguity resolved!

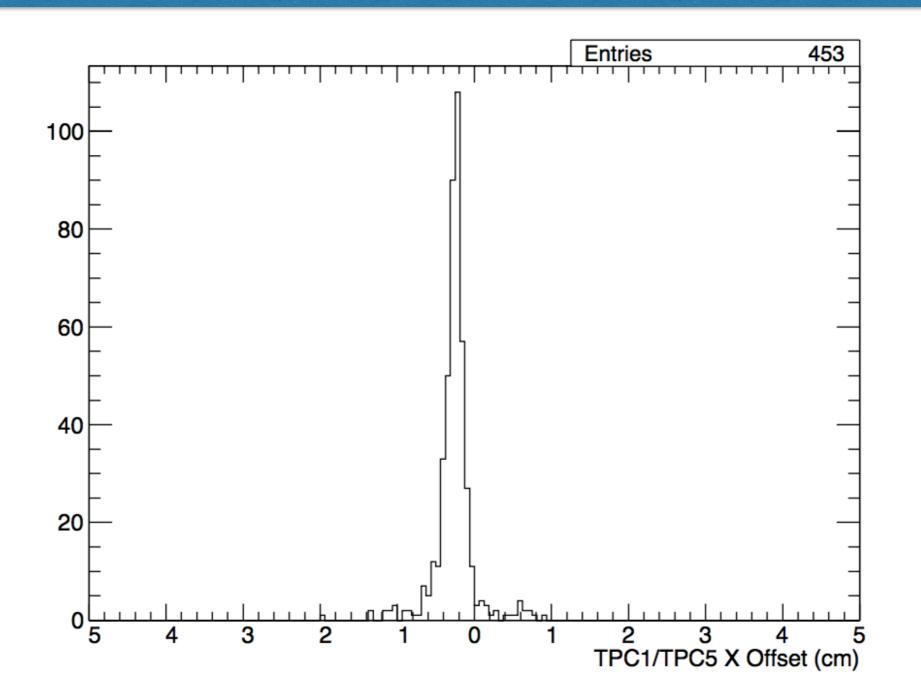
TPC1/TPC5 Offsets

• A relatively large *x*-offset is apparent here...



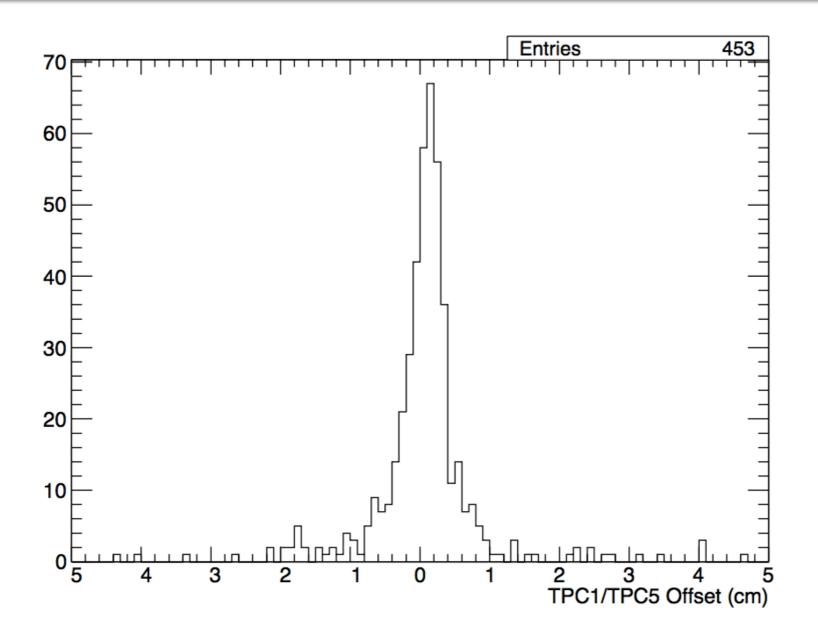
• Measure z-offset = 0.2 cm.

TPC1/TPC5 Offsets



• x-offset = -0.25 cm.

TPC1/TPC5 Offsets

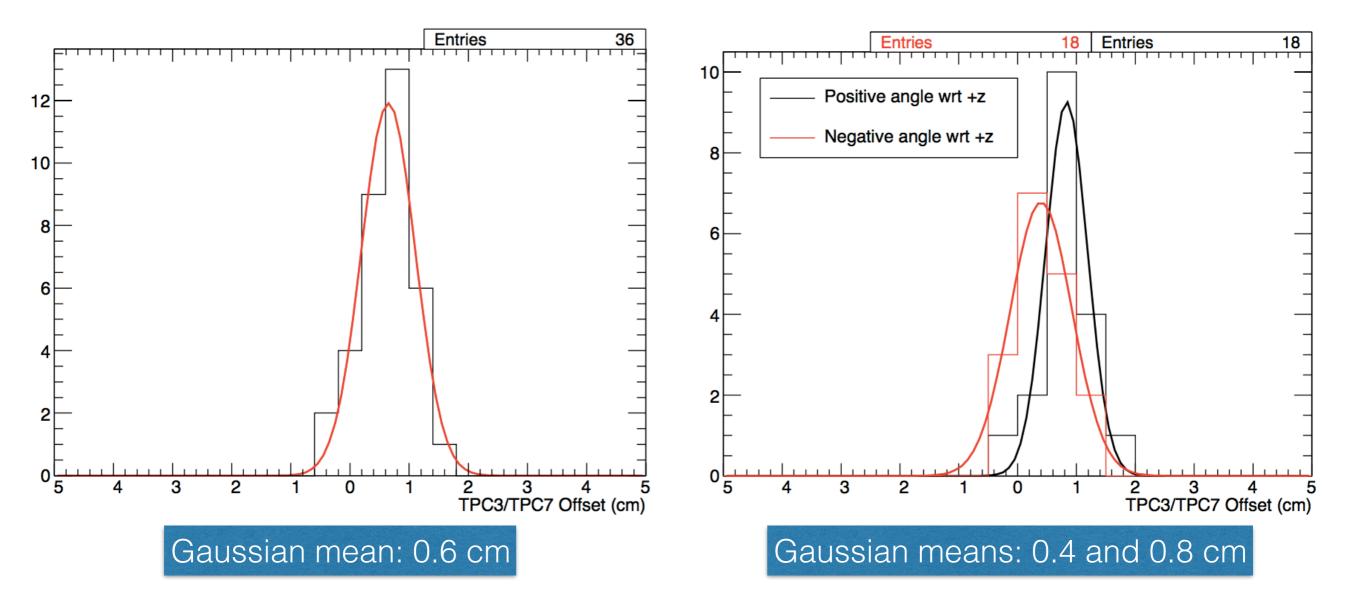


• Measure *z*-offset = 0.1 cm (c.f 0.2 cm previously...).

• Nice single peak though, no ambiguities!

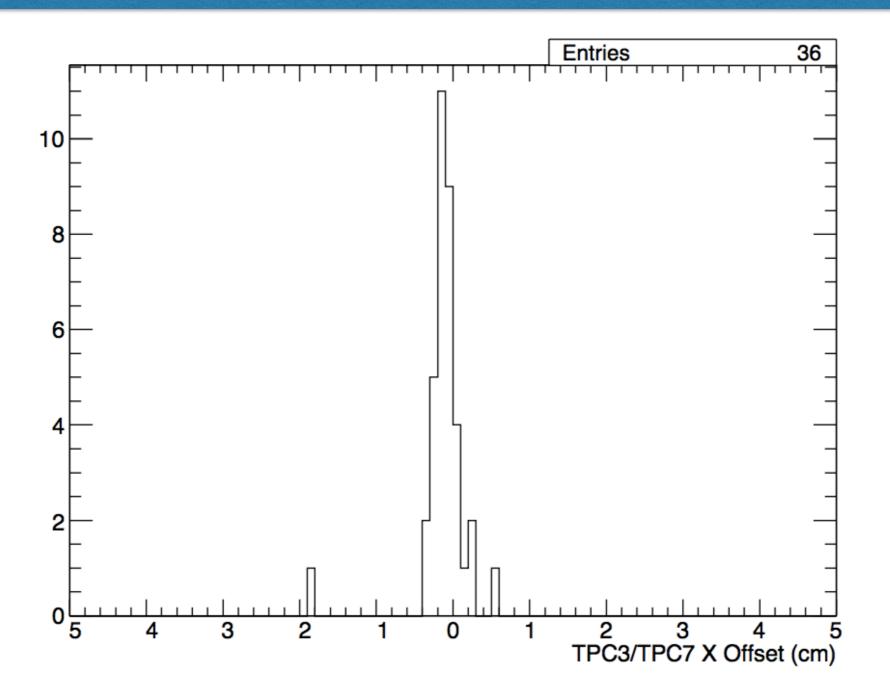
TPC3/TPC7 Offsets

• VERY low stats. Consistent with *z*-offset of 0.6 cm.



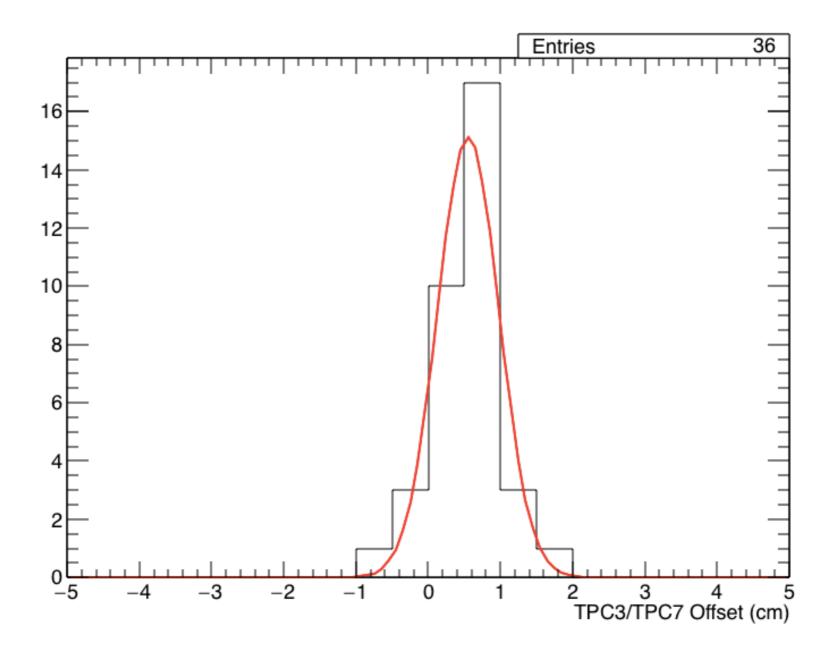
• Can't really fit a parabola in this case! But the separation in the distributions implies a (probably small) x-offset here too.

TPC3/TPC7 Offsets



• x-offset = -0.1 cm.

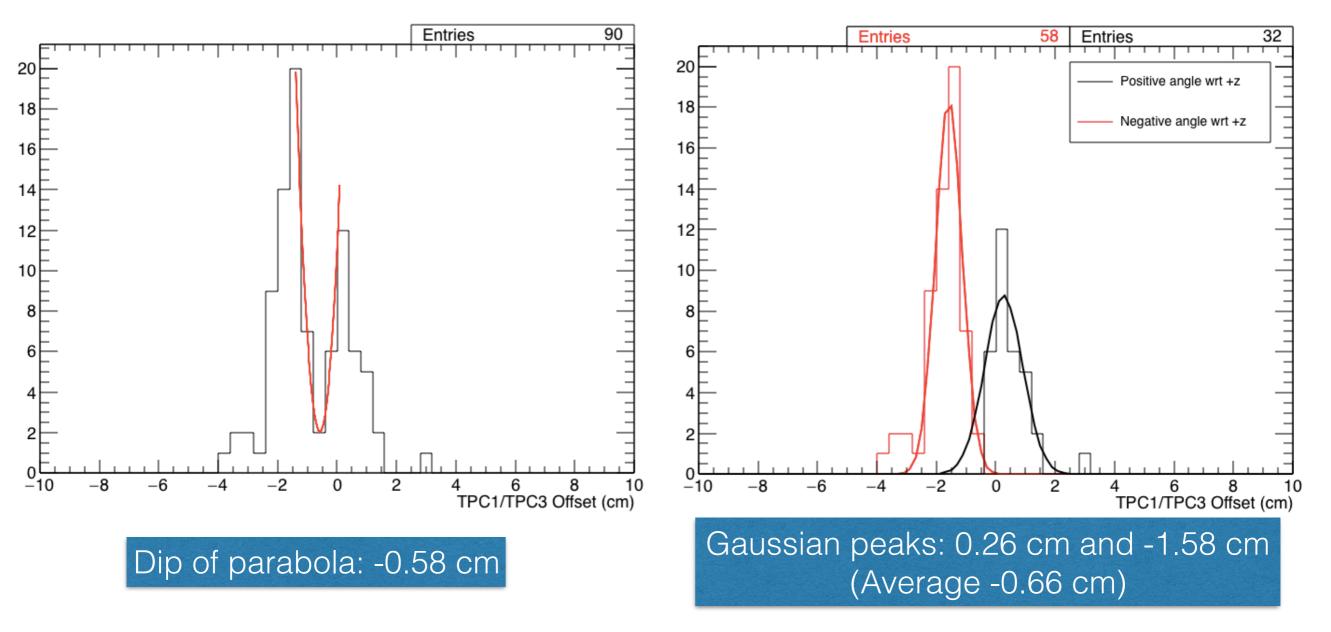
TPC3/TPC7 Offsets



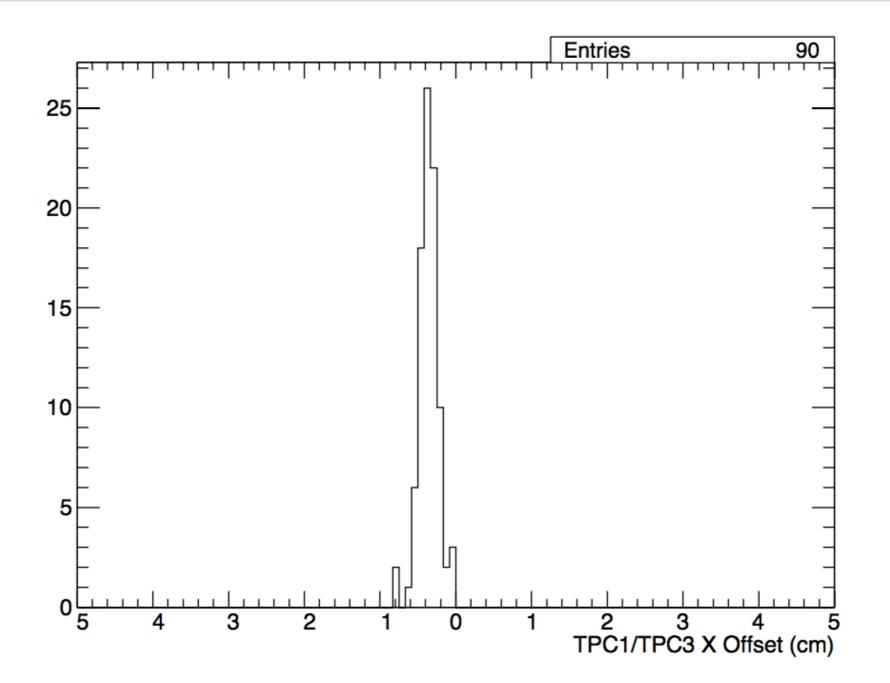
• Get *z*-offset = 0.6 cm again!

TPC1/TPC3 Offsets

- Low stats difficult to make a measurement here. Another obvious x-offset.
- *z*-offset = -0.6 cm.

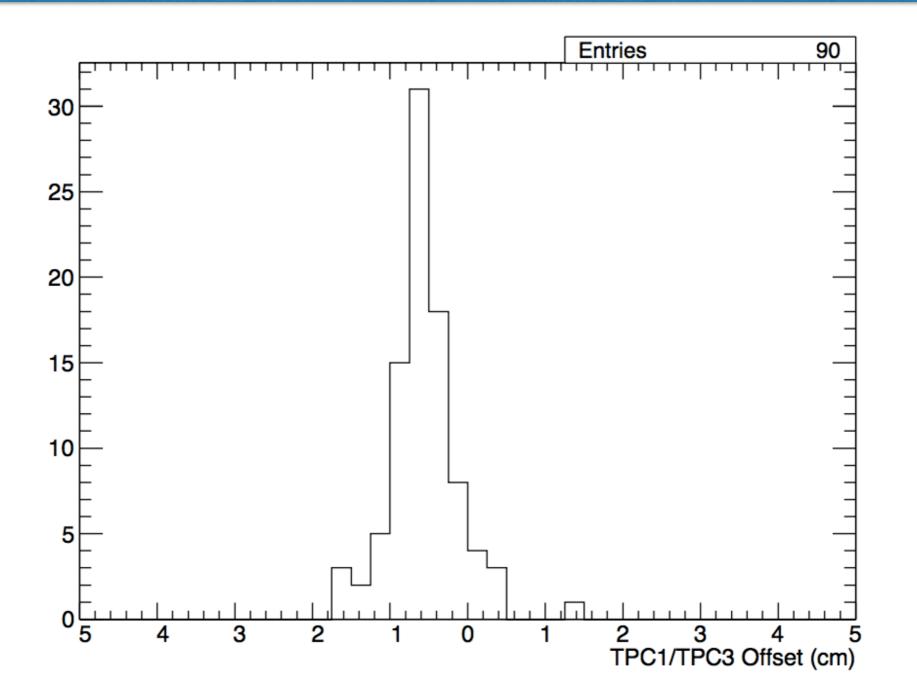


TPC1/TPC3 Offsets



• x-offset = -0.35 cm.

TPC1/TPC3 Offsets



• Single peak — and measure -0.6 cm again!

LDV TPC Offsets Summary

	TPC1/TPC3	TPC1/TPC5	TPC3/TPC7	TPC5/TPC7
z-offset (double peak)	-0.58 cm	0.18 cm	0.60 cm	0.09 cm
x-offset	-0.36 cm	-0.25 cm	-0.12 cm	-0.30 cm
z-offset (single peak)	-0.57 cm	0.09 cm	0.55 cm	0.06 cm

- *z*-offsets seem consistent with the short APA shifted in the -*z* direction (by ~6 mm).
- There is also consistency in the *x*-offset measurements:
 - TPC1->3->7: -3.6 mm 1.2 mm = -4.8 mm; TPC1->5->7: -2.5 mm 3.0 mm = -5.5 mm.
 - Agrees to within ~0.7 mm.

LDV TPC Offsets Summary

• Corrected gaps based on best estimate:

	Assumed	Correction	Corrected
TPC1/TPC3	2.53 cm	-0.6 cm	1.93 cm
TPC1/TPC5	2.08 cm	0.1 cm	2.18 cm
TPC3/TPC7	1.63 cm	0.6 cm	2.23 cm
TPC5/TPC7	2.08 cm	0.1 cm	2.18 cm
Implied TPC1/(3)/TPC7	4.16 cm	0 cm	4.16 cm
Implied TPC1/(5)/TPC7	4.16 cm	0.2 cm	4.36 cm

• Implies the APAs are slanted by ~2 mm, more spaced out at the top than at the bottom?

A Thought on the x-offsets

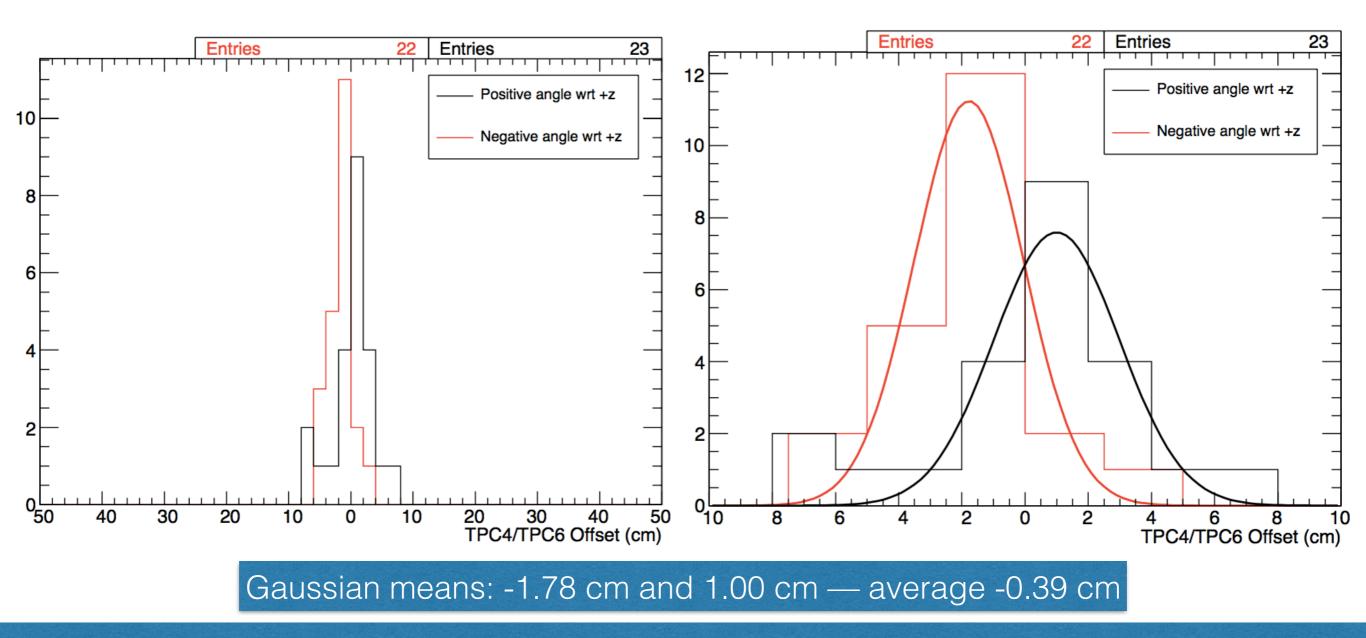
- It was discussed at the last meeting how these *x*-offsets may indeed just be a timing offset (and in fact, how the distinction isn't hugely important).
- The difference, as far as I can see, is how believable it is!
 - We can always expect small (and not so small, ~6 us) timing offsets, but a 2 mm offset in the placing of an APA seems like it would have been noticed.
- My issue with this being a timing offset is that this appears to be pretty consistent across a whole APA, and these are read out by multiple (four) FE boards and then processed by multiple (four) RCEs [only two in each drift regions, so I conceded just two in these cases].
 - As far as I know the FE boards and RCEs aren't treated any differently depending on the APA they're reading out.
 - There is however a very obvious correlation between the physical position of an APA and its x-coordinate.
- It seems much more likely to be an actual x-offset (as opposed to timing offset) to me what does everyone else think?

Short Drift Volume

- Attempted to make some measurements here.
- Very challenging in general, so so few events to play with.
- I found relaxing the cuts biased the measurements (looks like it's not all sampled from the same distribution) so had to deal with low stats.

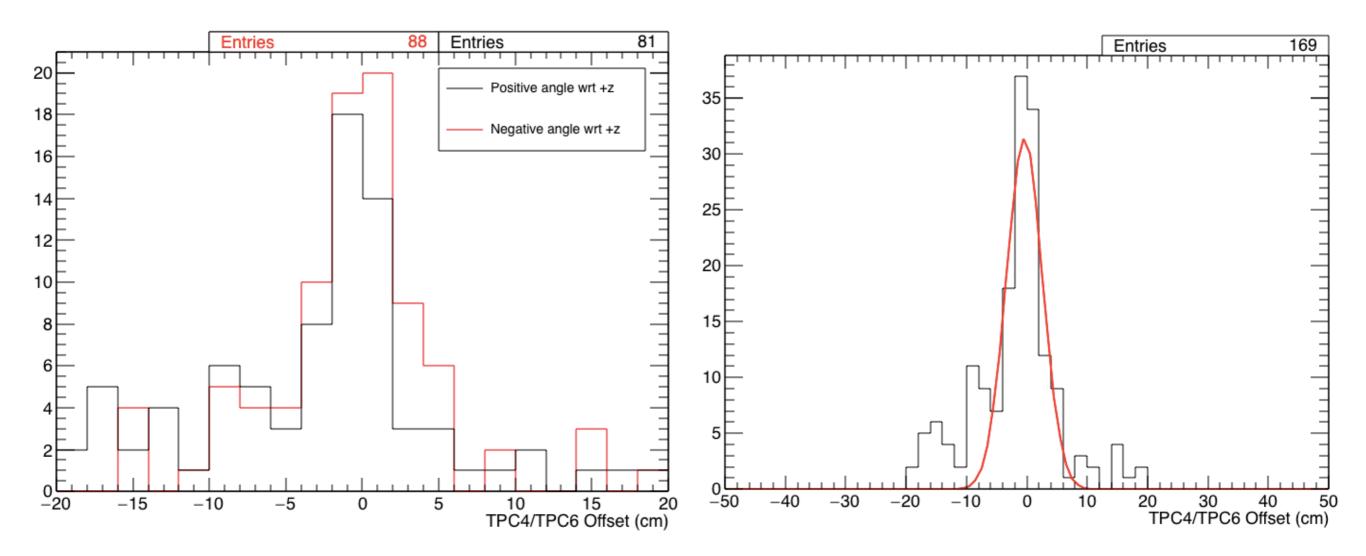
TPC4/TPC6 Offsets

- The 'golden gap' (TPC5TPC7 equivalent). Still, there are so few events!
- Without any *x*-offset correction:



TPC4/TPC6 Offsets

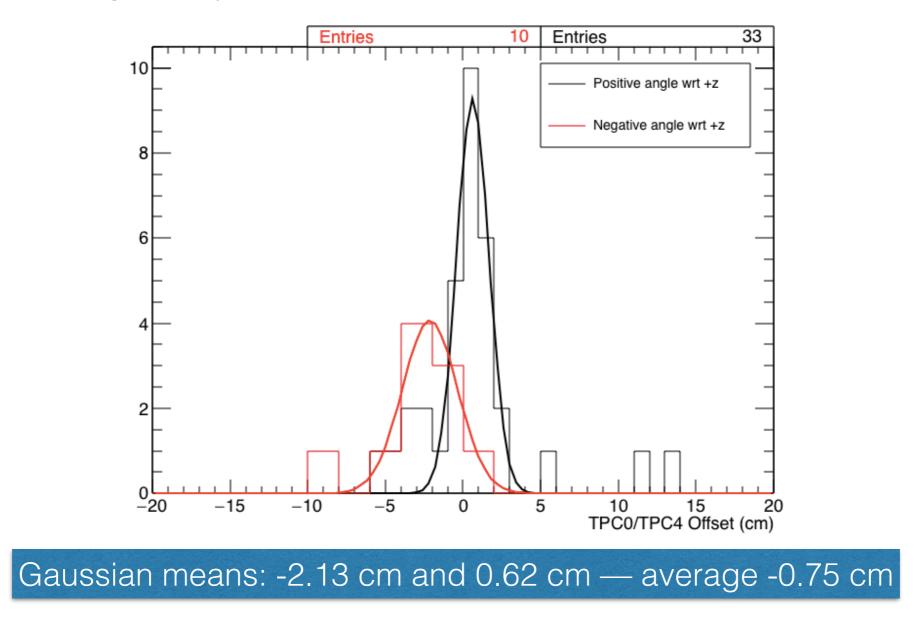
• Applying the *x*-offset found between TPCs 5 & 7 in the LDV (APAs 2&3):



- Appears to correct for bias in track angle.
- Measure -0.40 cm again!

TPC0/TPC4 Offsets

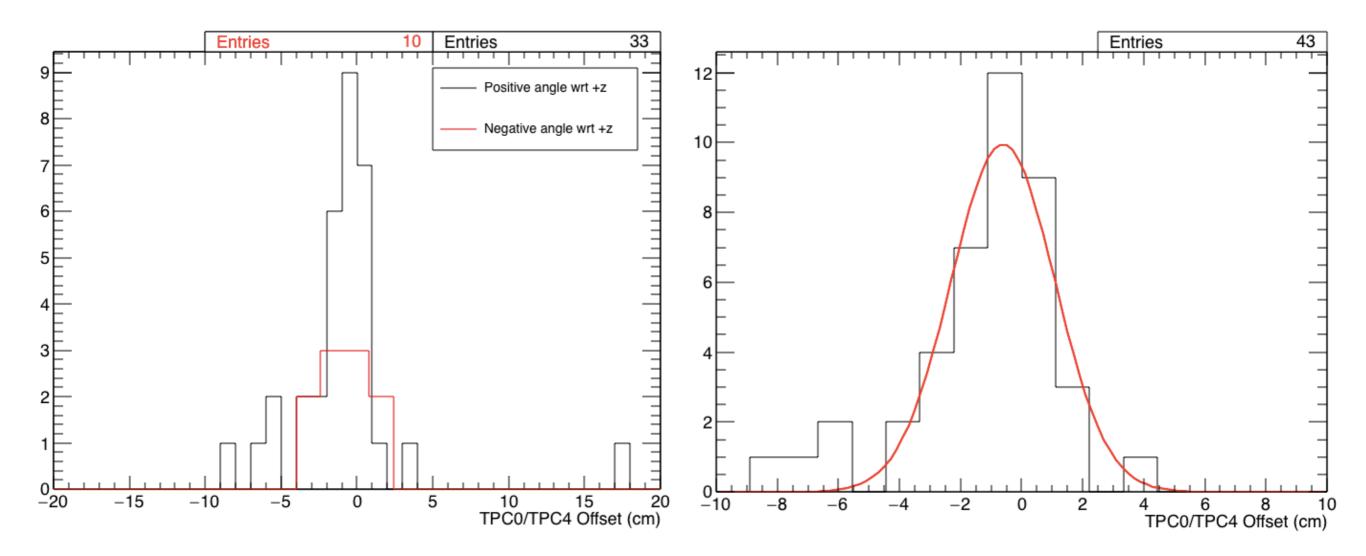
• Before correcting for any *x*-offsets:



• Stats are SO low! Just 10 negative-z tracks pass the cuts!

TPC0/TPC4 Offsets

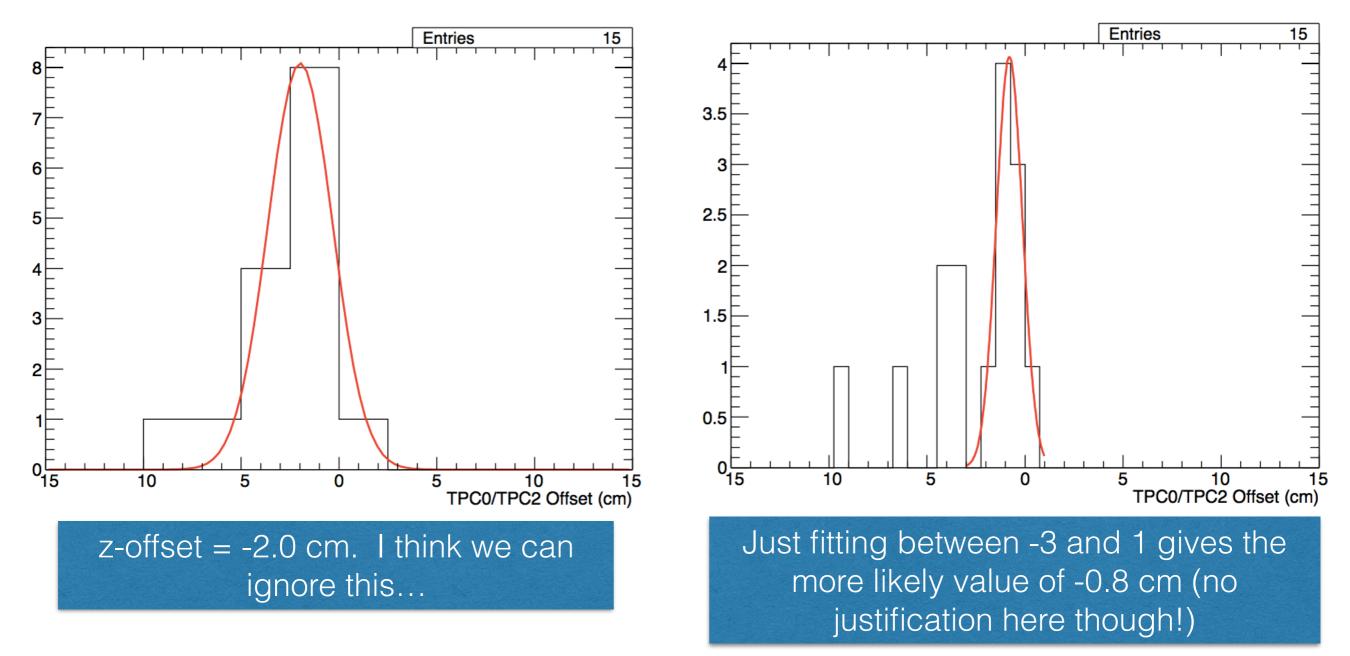
• After applying the same offset found for TPC1/TPC5 (APAs 0&2):



- No separation wrt track angle now.
- Measure *z*-offset = -0.6 cm from the fit.

TPC0/TPC2 Offsets

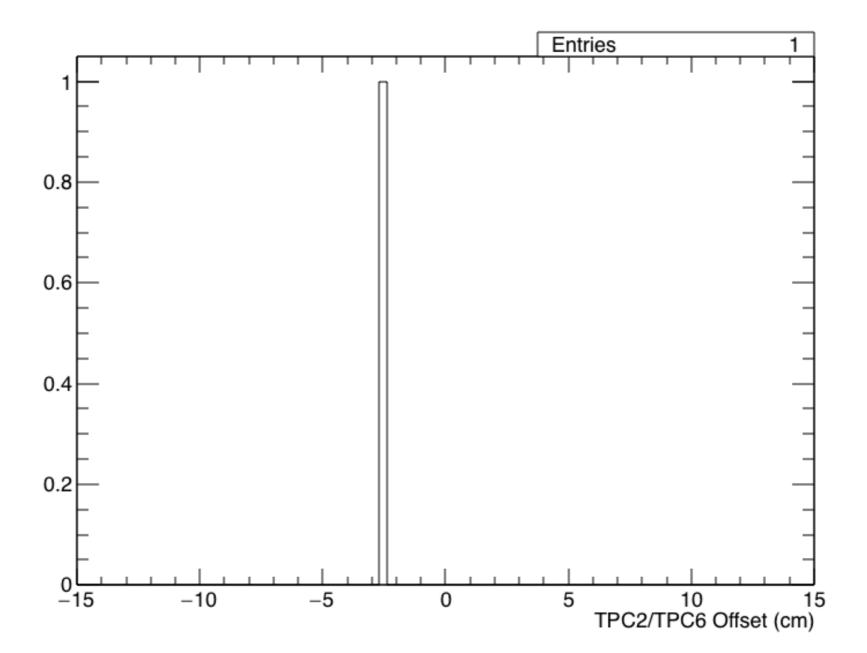
• No point looking into this too much! Only 2 tracks with negative angle pass the cuts...



• Stats are wayyy too low to make meaningful observations.

TPC2/TPC6 Offsets

• All the tracks which pass my cuts:



SDV TPC Offsets Summary

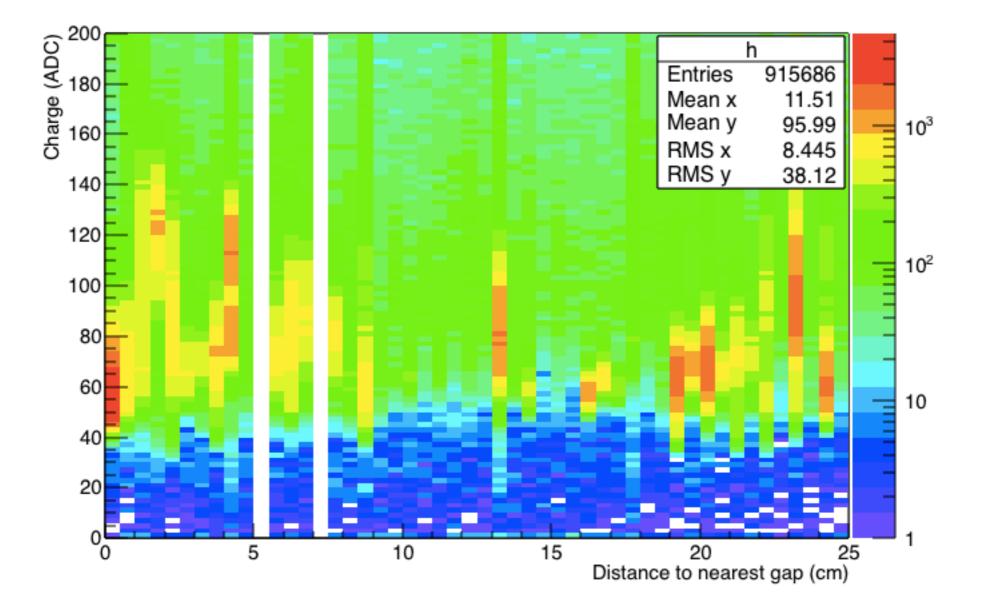
		LDV	SDV
	APA0/APA1 (LDV: TPC1/TPC3, SDV: TPC0/TPC2)	-0.6 cm	-2.0 cm* -0.8 cm*
~Confident	APA0/APA2 (LDV: TPC1/TPC5, SDV: TPC0/TPC4)	0.1 cm	0.6 cm
	APA1/APA3 (LDV: TPC3/TPC7, SDV: TPC2/TPC6)	0.6 cm	-2.5 cm*
~Confident	APA2/APA3 (LDV: TPC5/TPC7, SDV: TPC4/TPC6)	0.1 cm	-0.4 cm

* not to be taken seriously!

Gap Summary

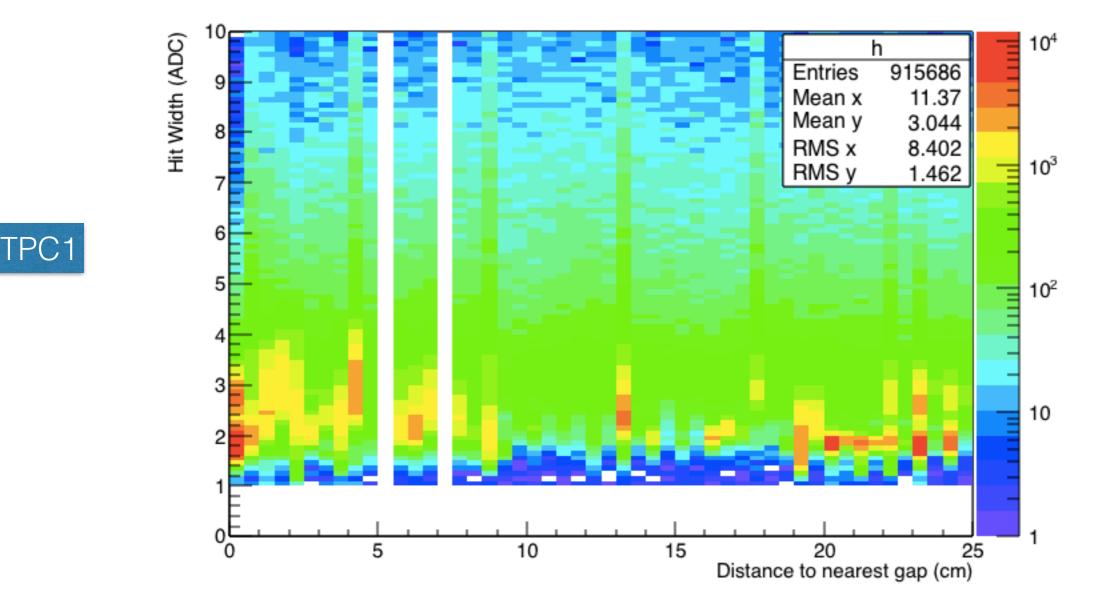
- Measured all gaps (within reason);
 - In general the SDV gaps have far too low stats to say anything of note...
- I'm very confident with my measurements of LDV x- and z- offsets.
- Any comments?!
- Do we want something along these lines in the paper? (I know Animesh has written something about the z-offsets.)

• Charge as a function of distance to nearest gap.



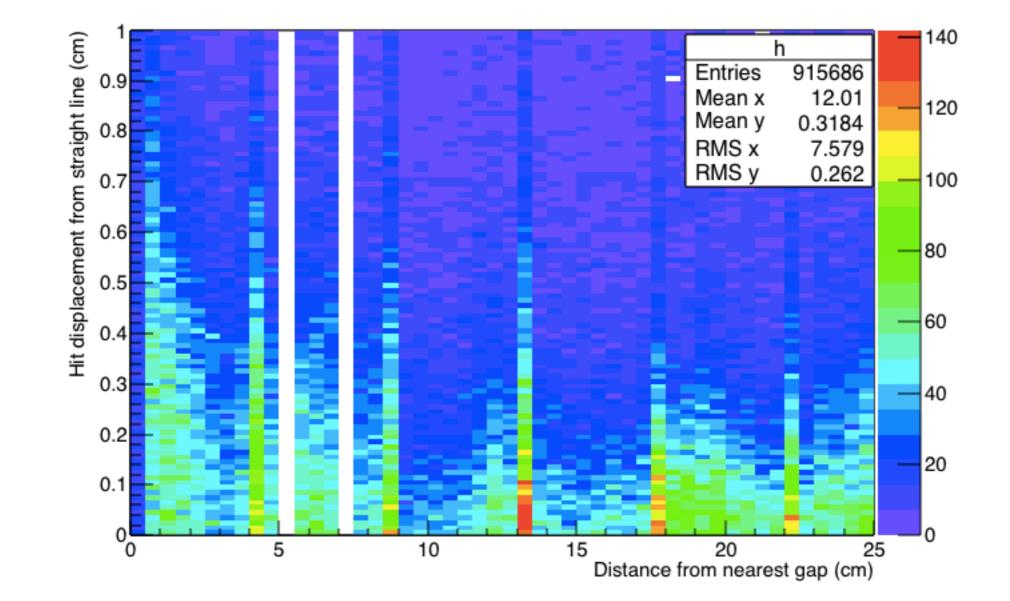
• There are many more hits < 0.5 cm from gap, slightly lower charge on average.

• Hit widths as a function of distance to nearest gap.



• Hits don't appear to be any wider...

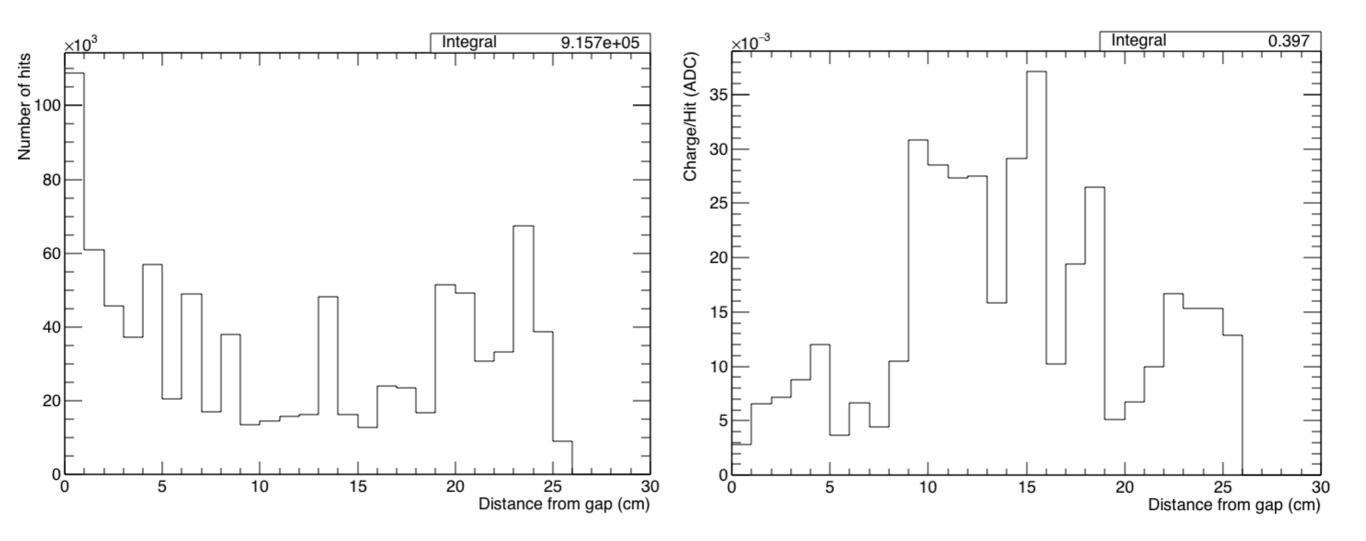
• Hit displacement from fitted straight line.



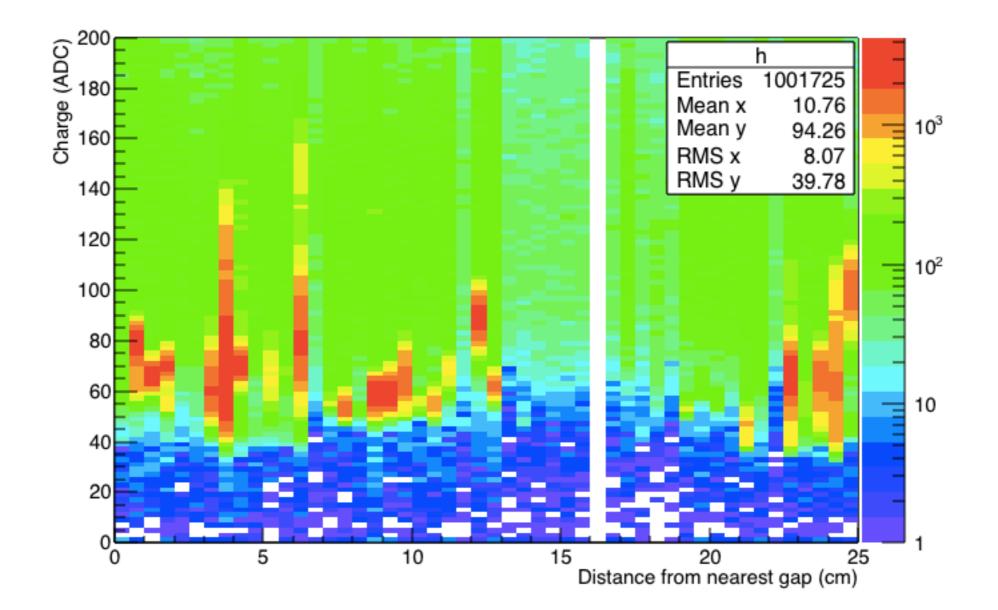
• In general, hits are further from the linear fit line the closer to the gap it is.

TPC1

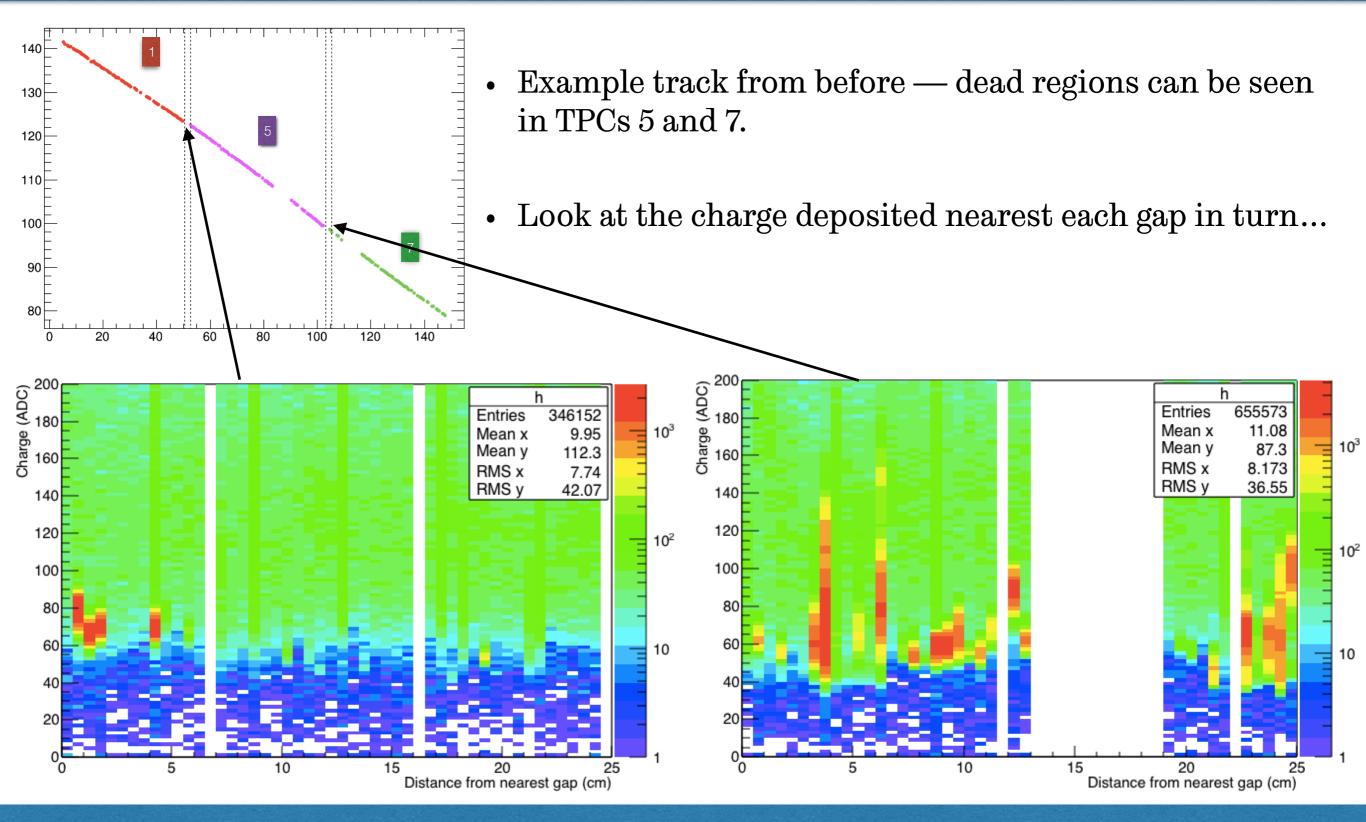
Number of Hits — TPC1



• As indicated previously, there are most hits closer to the gap but around the same charge seems to be collected...



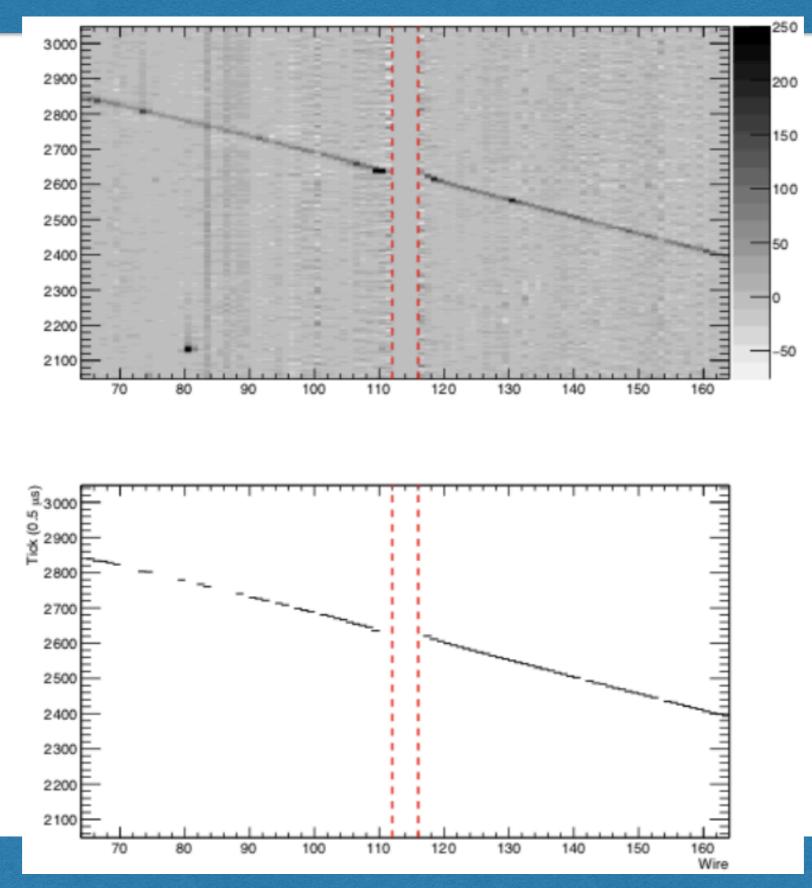
- Odd distribution lots of peaks.
- Could be due to dead wires.



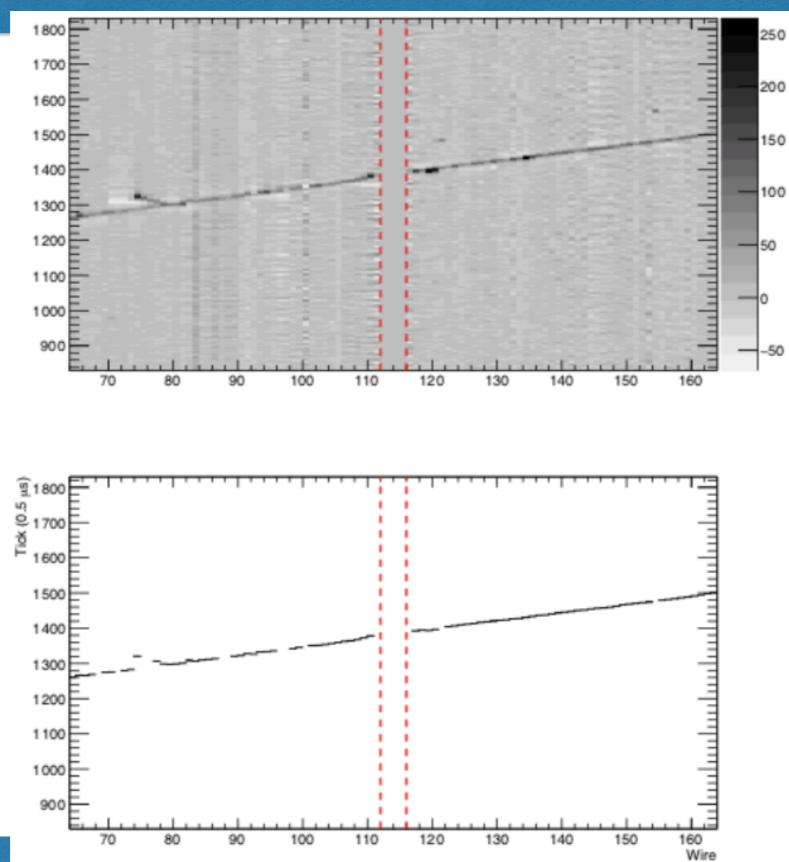
Charge Deposited

- Looks like there's more hits deposited near a gap in active collection wires.
- The hits appears to have similar properties (charge, width) than the other hits.
- That's about all I can surmise, and it's not that surprising!
- But, can we SEE these extra hits?

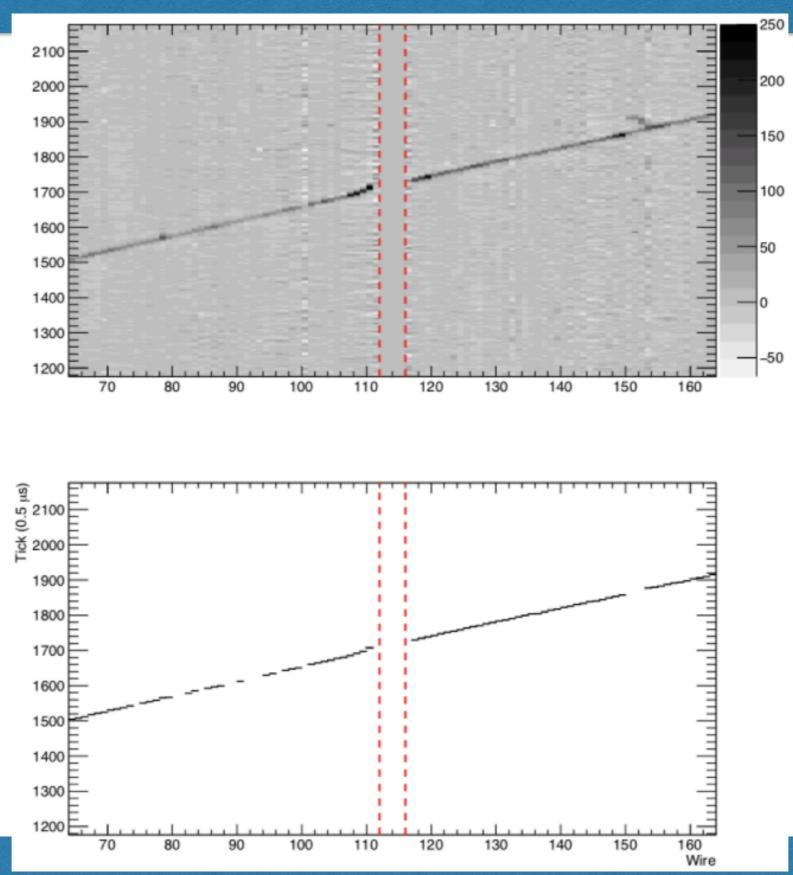
Effect doesn't seem as noticeable as we may have thought...



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- Coming to the end of the *z*-gap crosser study.
- Measured all gaps (which are possible to measure!) and also the offsets in x.
- Had a quick look at the charge left by the particles and where it is collected.
 - Can't think of much more that would be interesting here.
- Thoughts? Suggestions?