

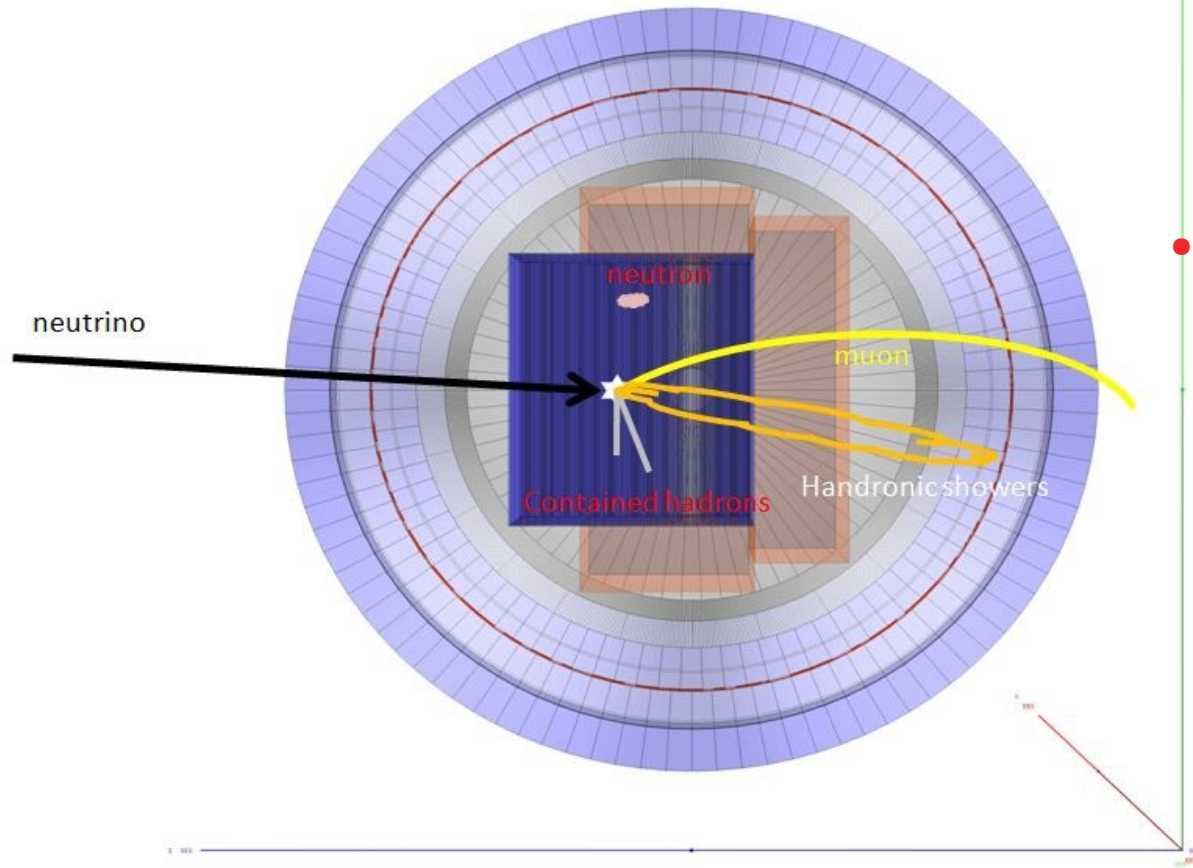


# Status of the LANL beam test with 3DST prototypes

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# Neutrino interaction

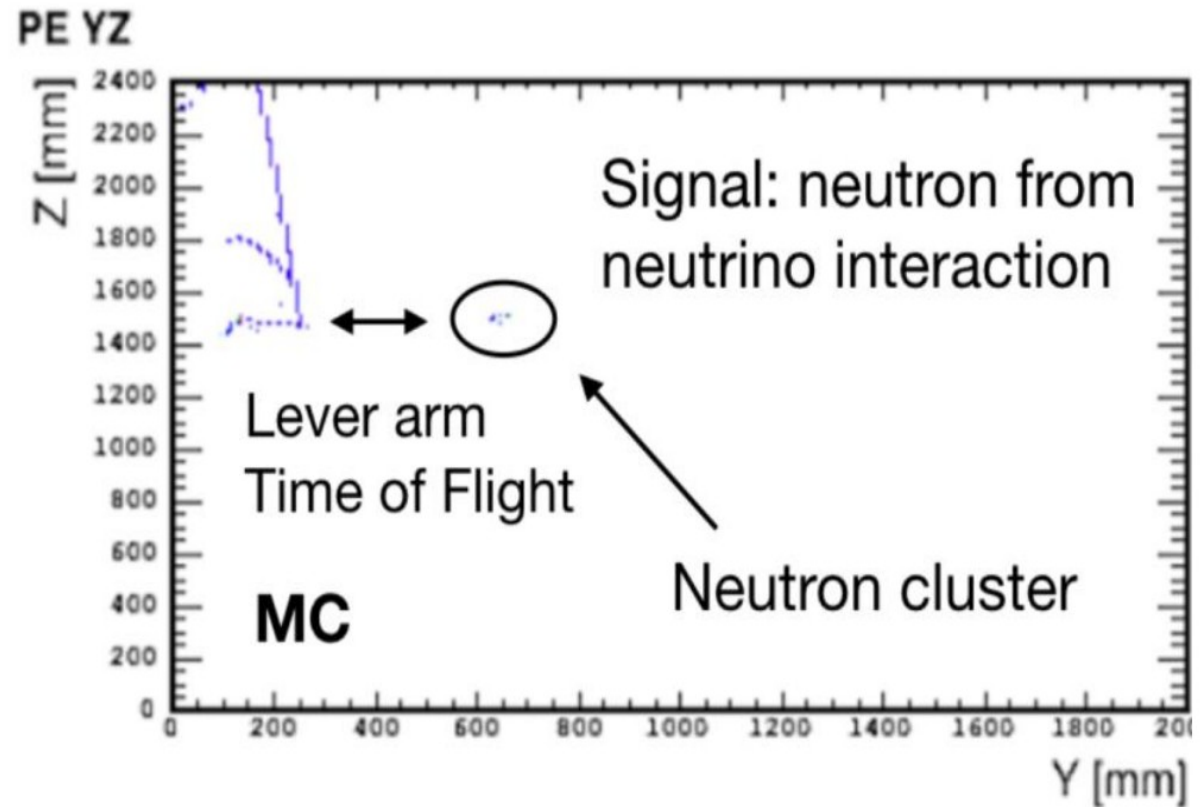


- Final state particles are key to extract the incident neutrino flux information
- Goal in short: get all final state particle information in good precision for each desired exclusive channel in order to constrain the neutrino flux and cross section model



# Neutron detection in cubes

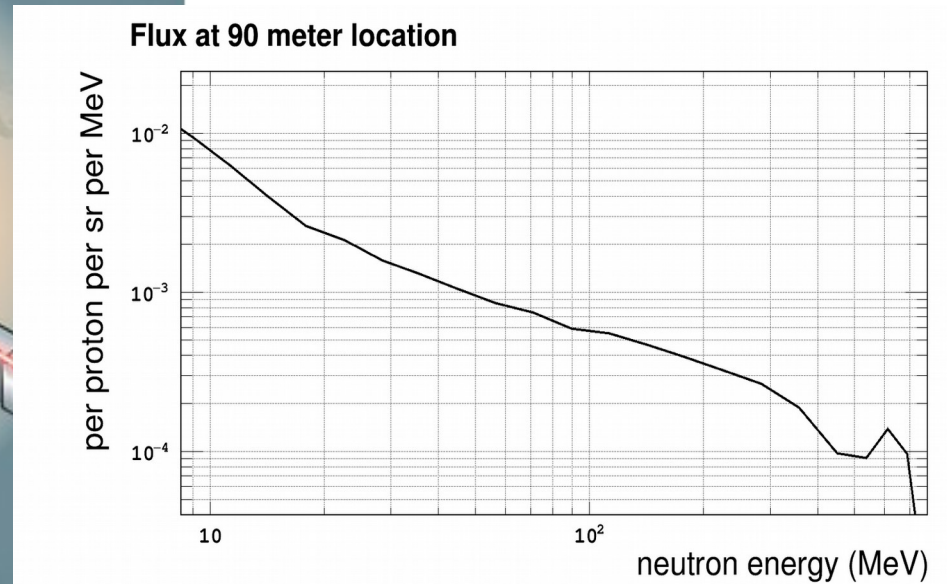
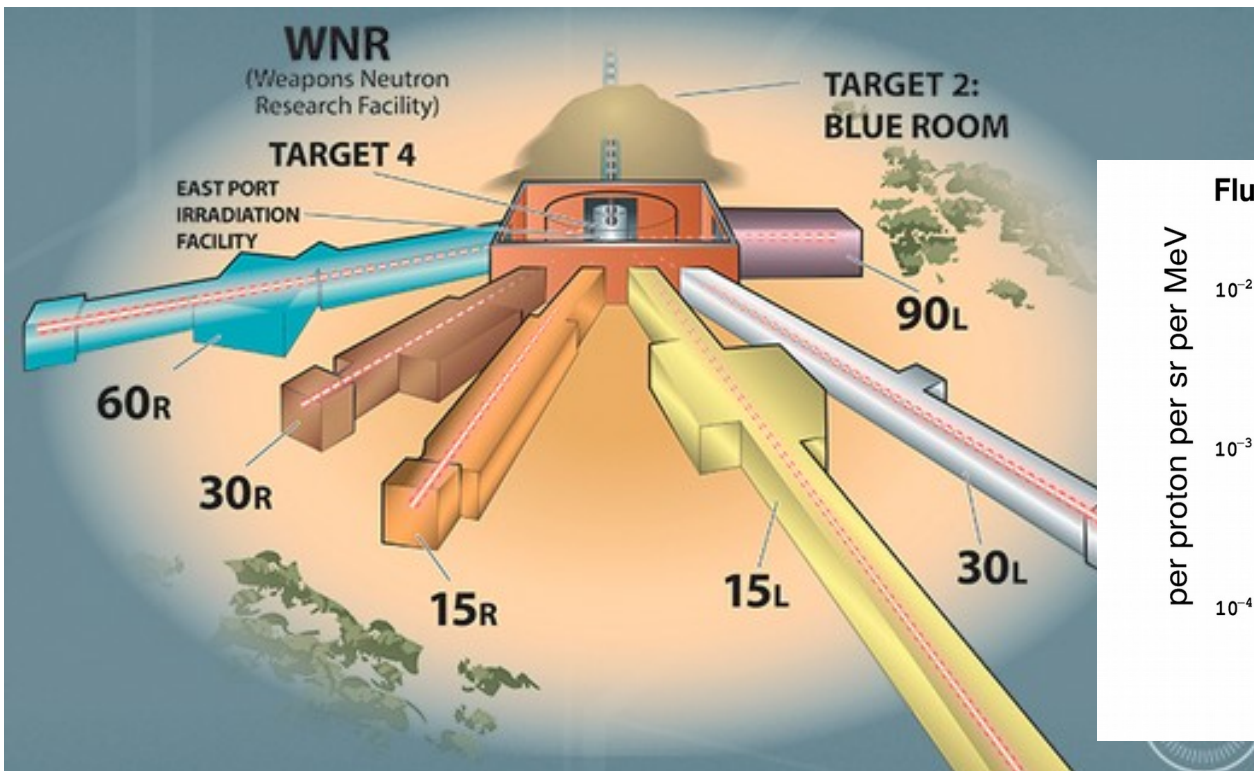
- Neutron is the last and important piece to fully reconstruct the neutrino energy
- With super good time resolution, time-of-flight can be used to measure the neutron kinetic energy.
- Thus, we can do flux constraint and cross section model tuning with this neutron energy measurement.





# Neutron beam test facility

- LANL provides neutron beam ranged from 0 -800 MeV
- We have two run time: ~ 3 weeks at 15L 90 m location  
~ 3 days at 15R 20 m location

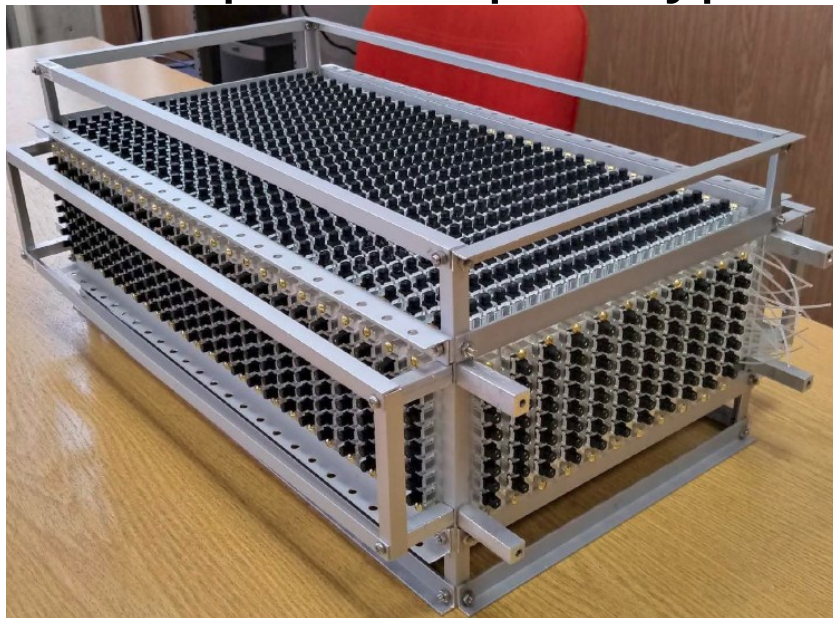




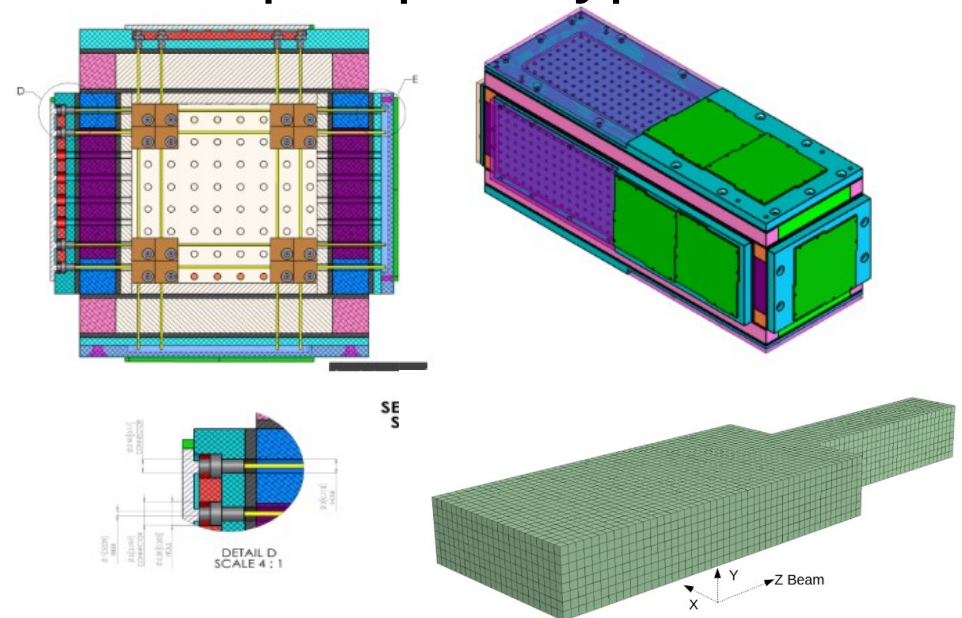
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- SuperFGD prototype being used for the charged particle beam test in CERN (24x8x48)
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- They can be combined in a number of ways

## SuperFGD prototype



## US-Japan prototype





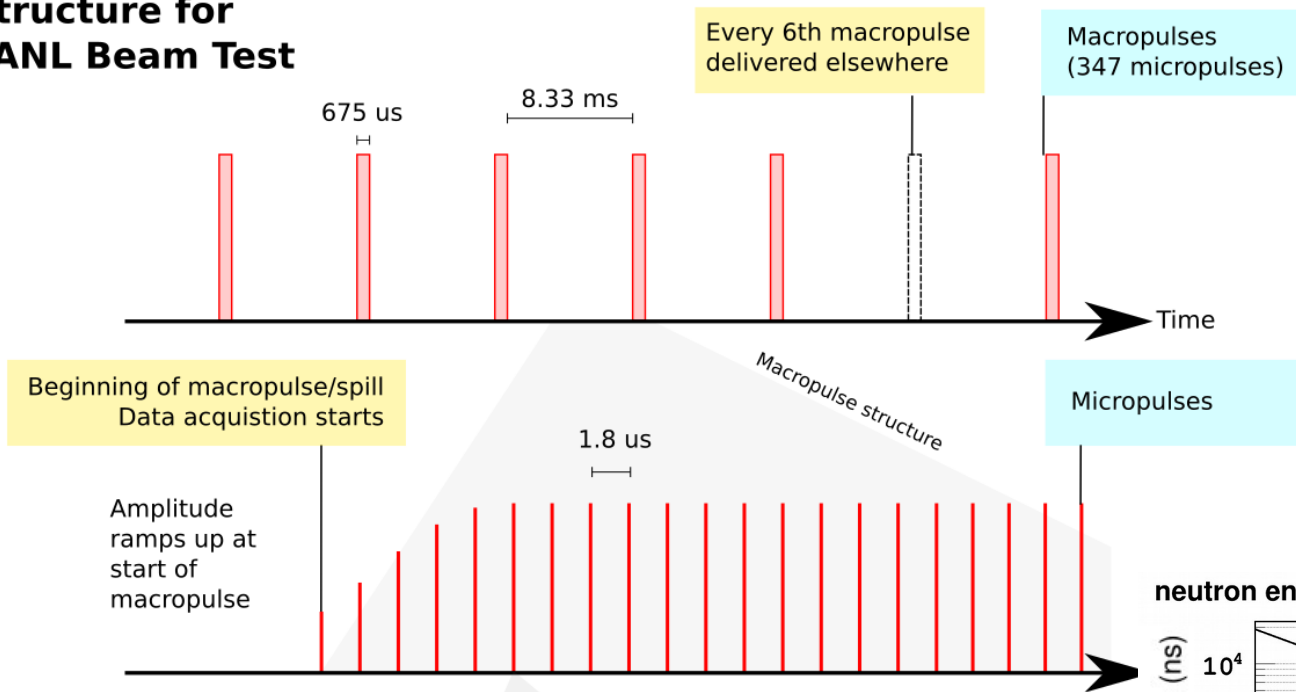
# Two prototypes and acknowledgment

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- SuperFGD prototype was put together by INR, U. Tokyo, Geneva and CERN. Funds are from each of those groups.
- US-Japan ptorotype was funded by U.S.-Japan program.
- The LANL run was realized with DOE base grants as well as the Upenn and the support from Imperial, Geneva and Tokyo.
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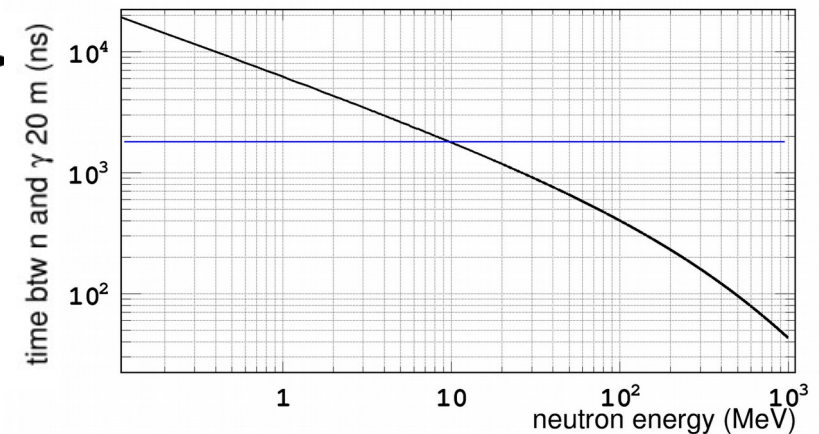
# Neutron beam time structure

## Structure for LANL Beam Test



- We have 675 us trigger window to cover each macropulse
- Gamma flash + micropulse t0 are available

neutron energy vs time diff. at 90 m location



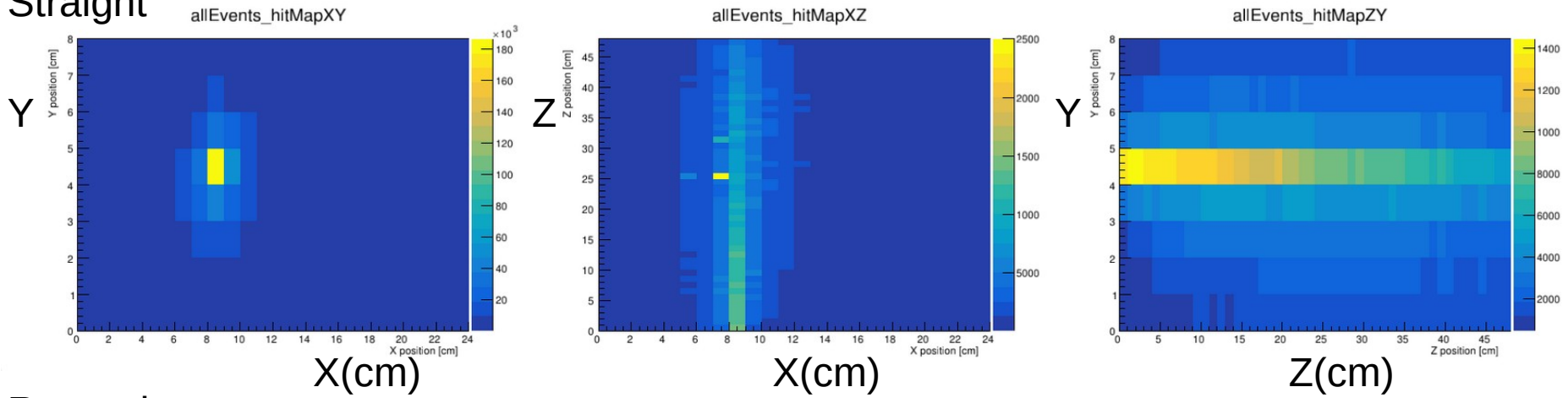
- Wrap-around can be handled with cut on low energy deposit
- Statistically wrap-around is not significant



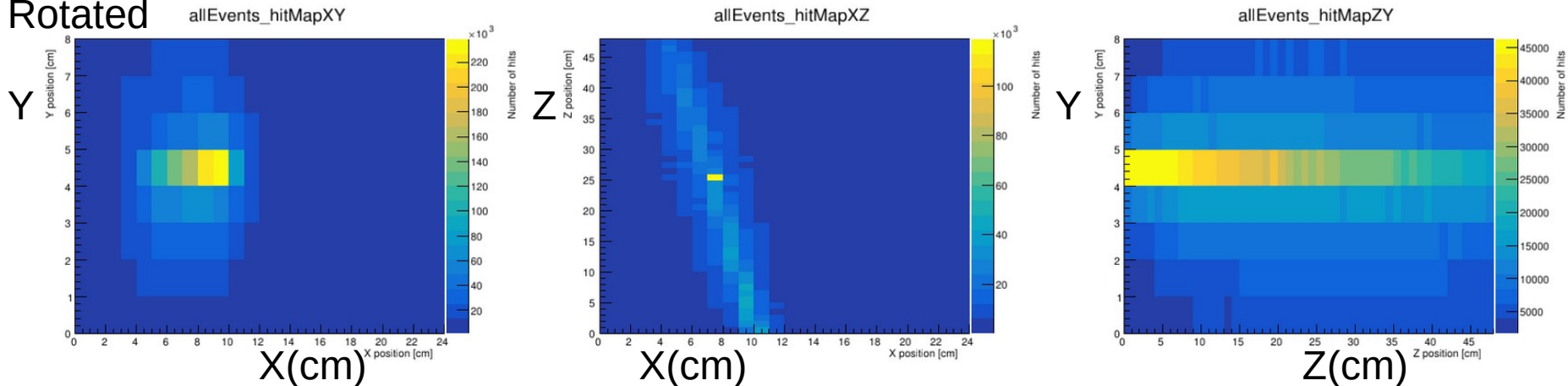
# Event topology

- We rotated detector for various angles to understand the fiber/MPPC behaviour

Straight



Rotated

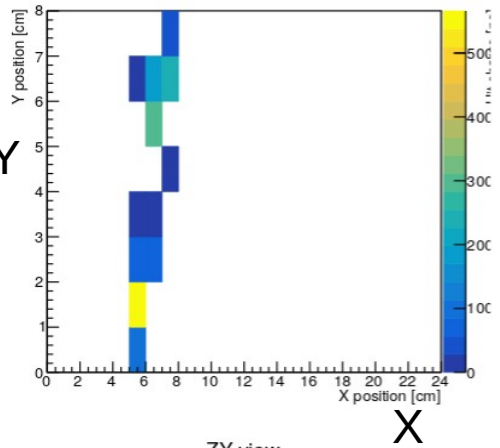




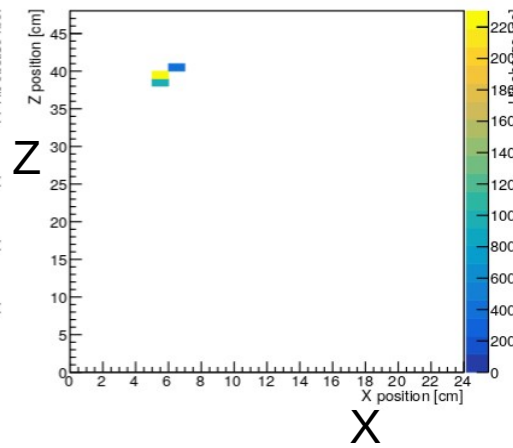


# Single event displays

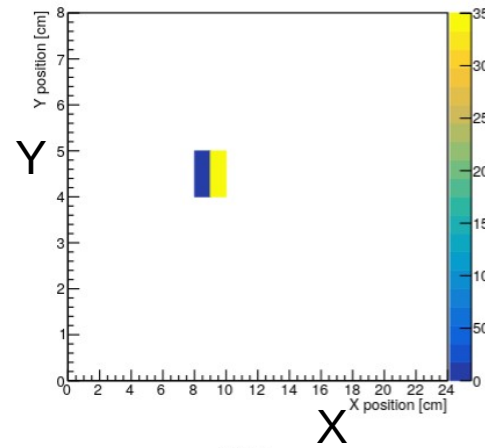
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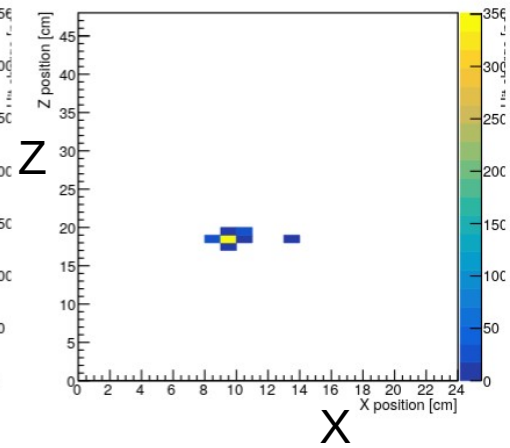
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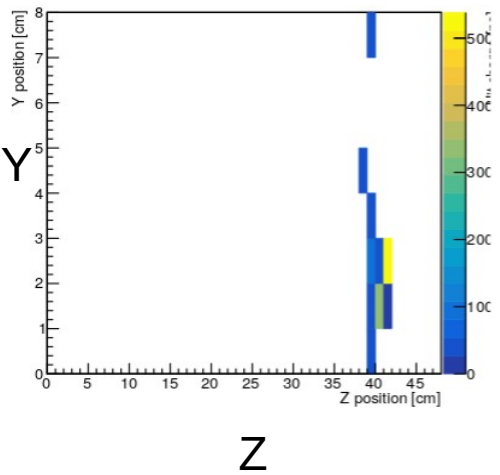
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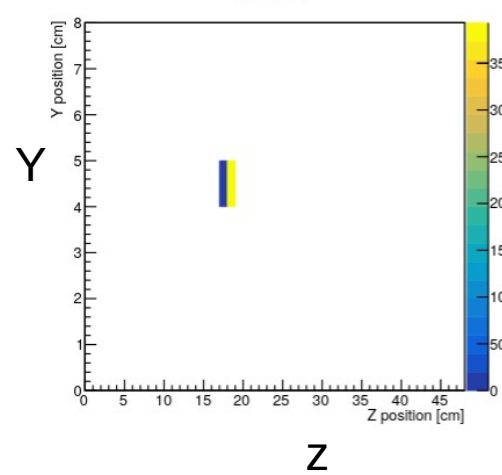
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ZY view



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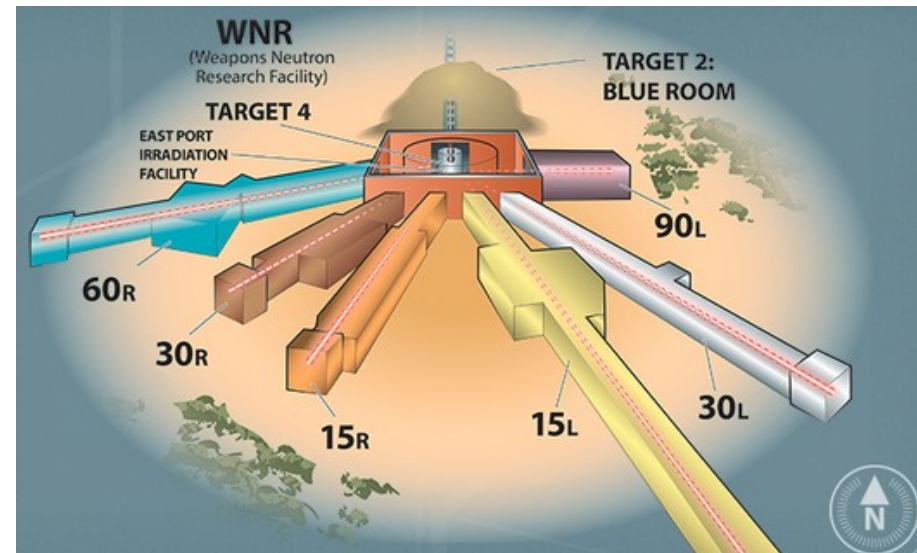
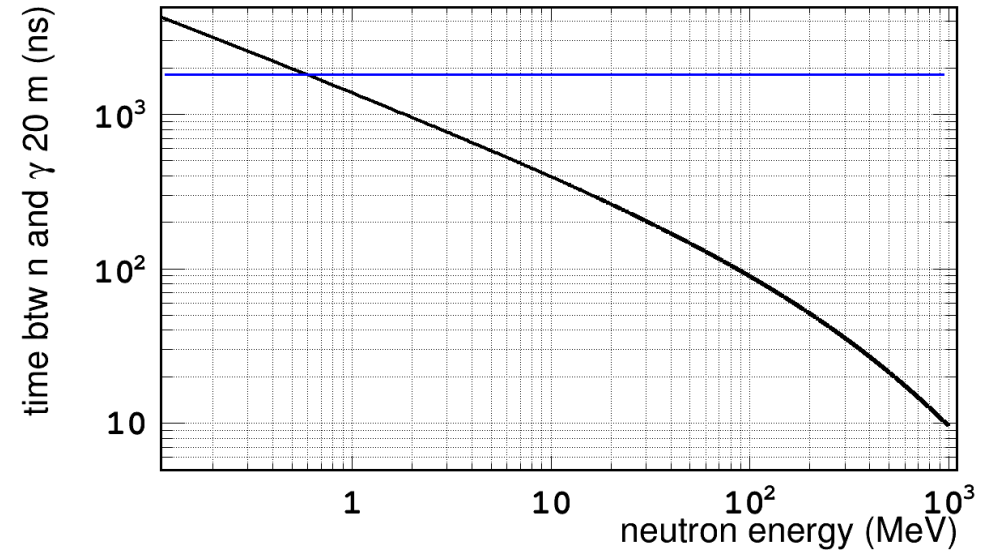




# 20 m location

- In order to:
  - lower the wrap-around energy
  - free to enter the facility
- With the same setup for superFGD prototype, but added US-Japan prototype
- SuperFGD took similar amount of data in two locations (more time at 90 m higher rate at 20 m)

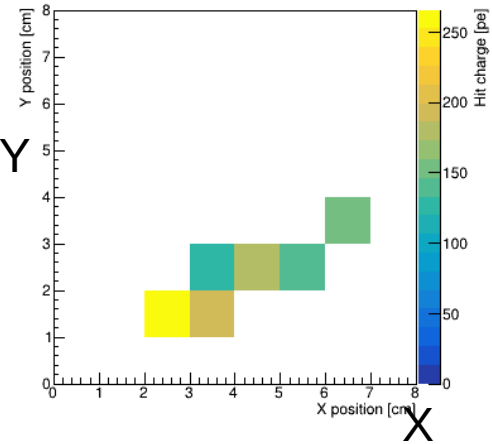
neutron energy vs time diff. at 20 m location



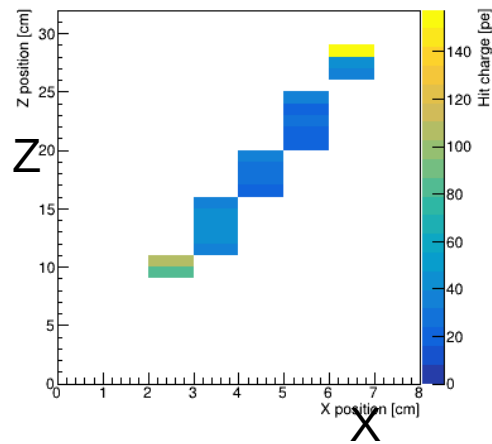


# US-Japan Neutron candidates

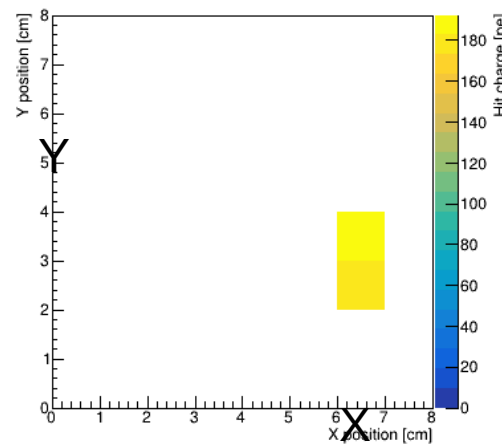
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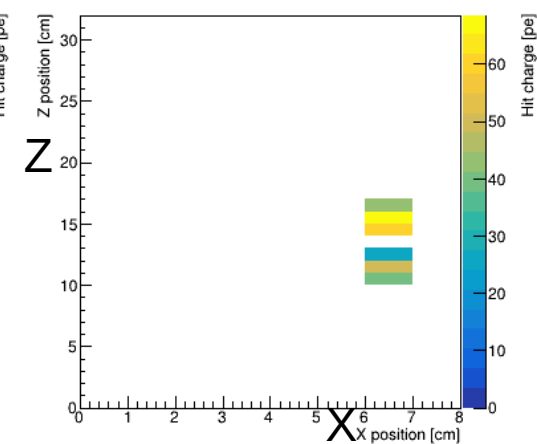
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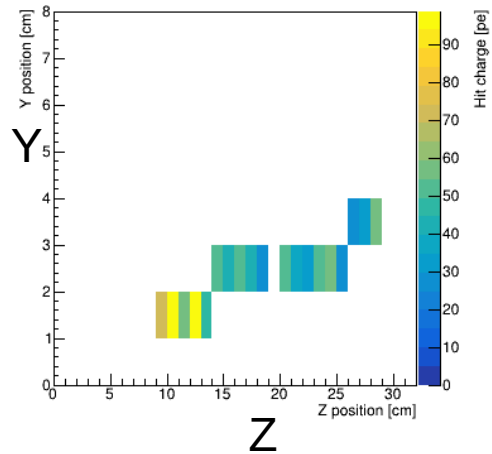
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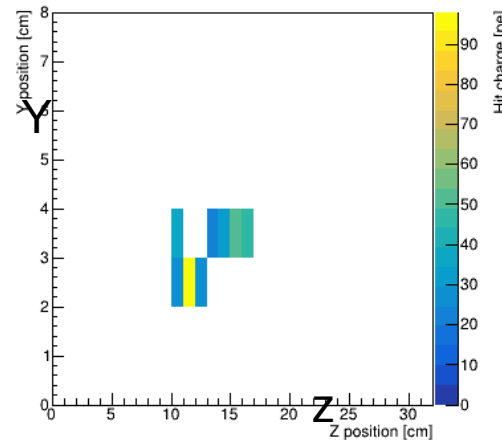
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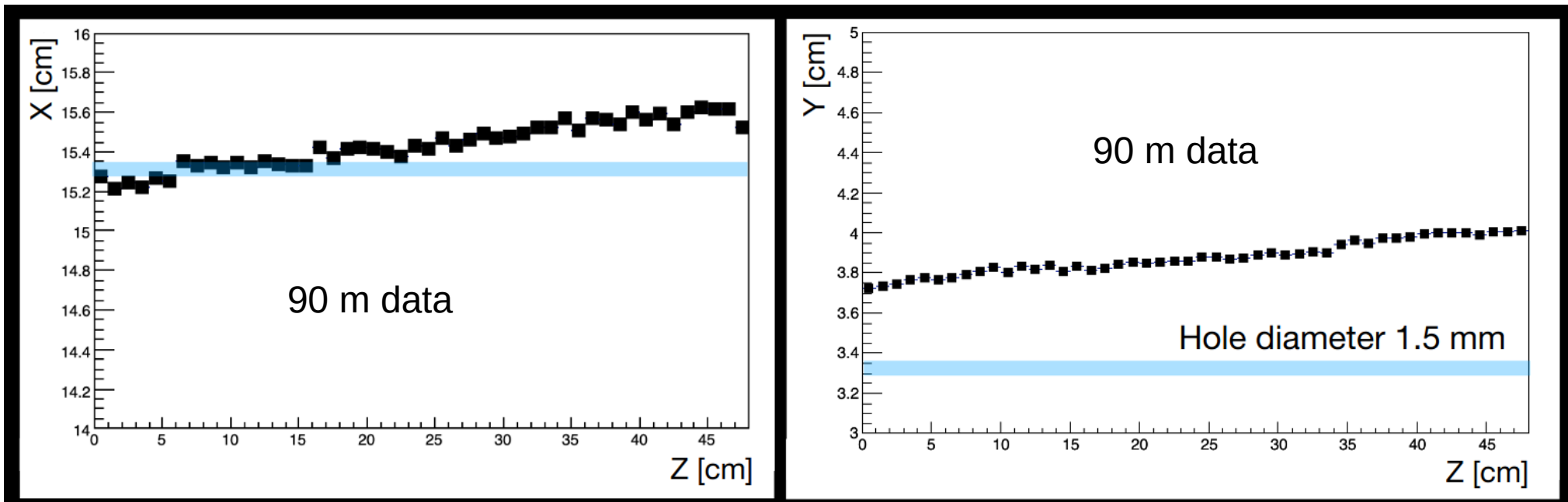




# Analysis procedure

- 1. Define FV: reduce the beam-uncorrelated and secondary neutron background
  - find the beam center and use the relevant row of cubes along z as the FV.

Beam center for superFGD prototype at 90 m location

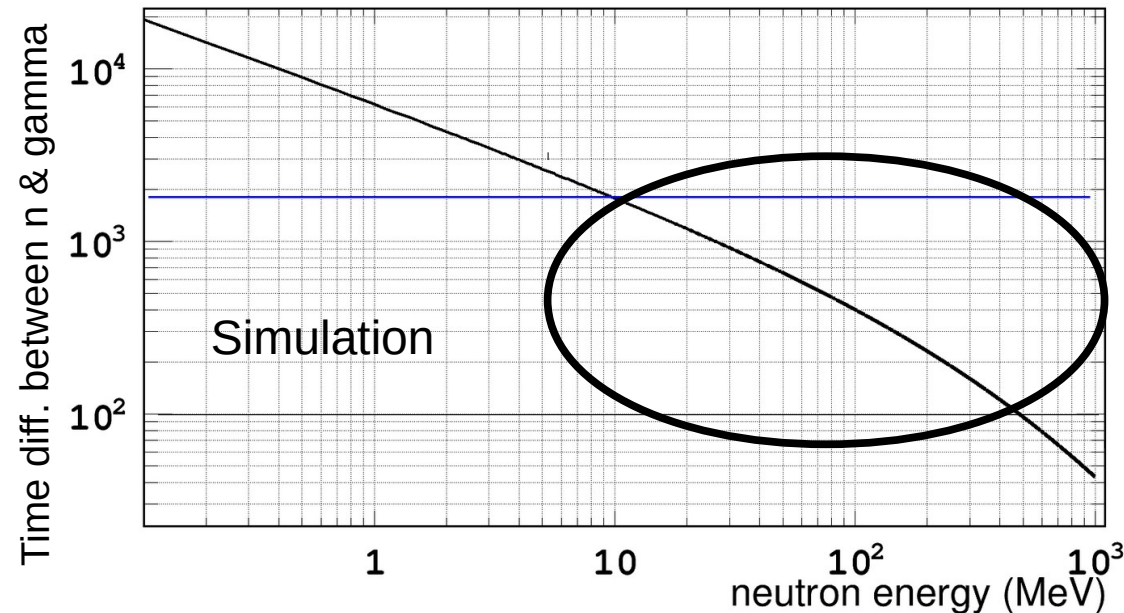




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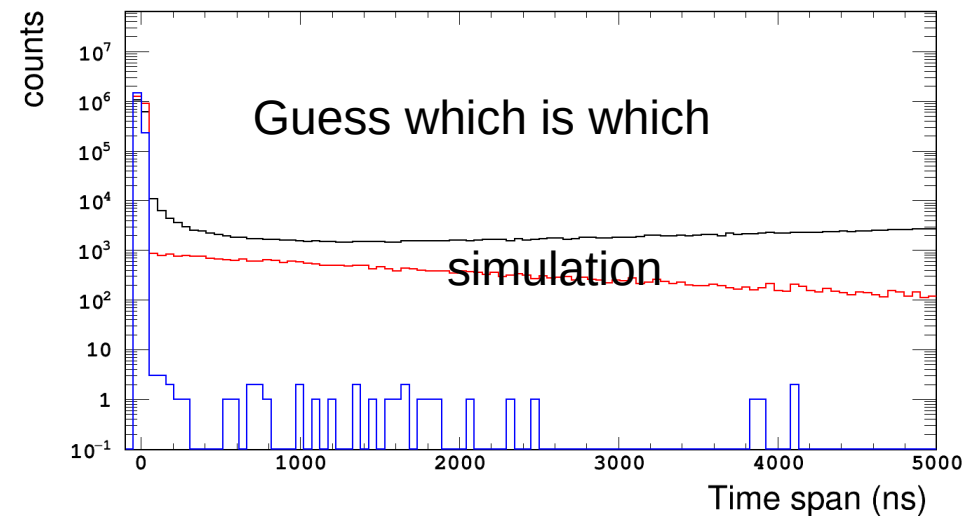
- 2. define a wrap-around cut
- 3. Define time window: exclude the gamma peak (neutron energy will be  $< 500$  MeV) and include single individual events in a micropulse (a cut of 20 ns)

neutron energy vs time diff. at 90 m location



Single neutron time spent in detector

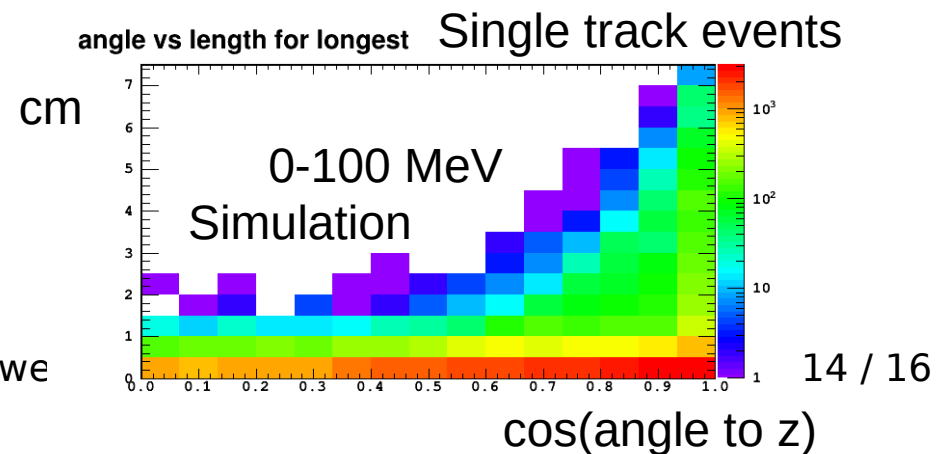
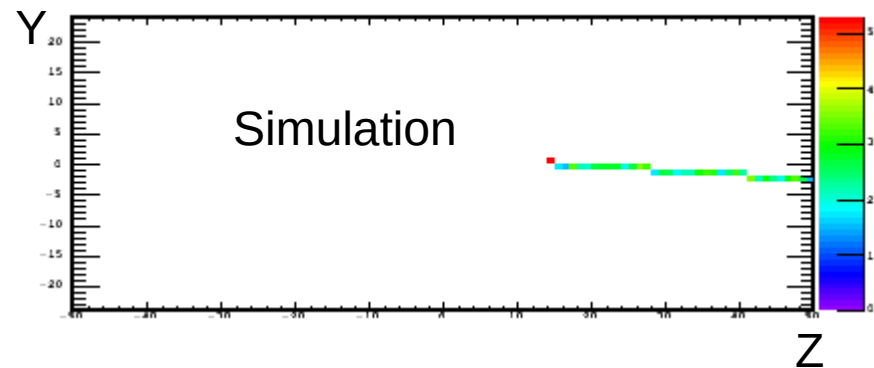
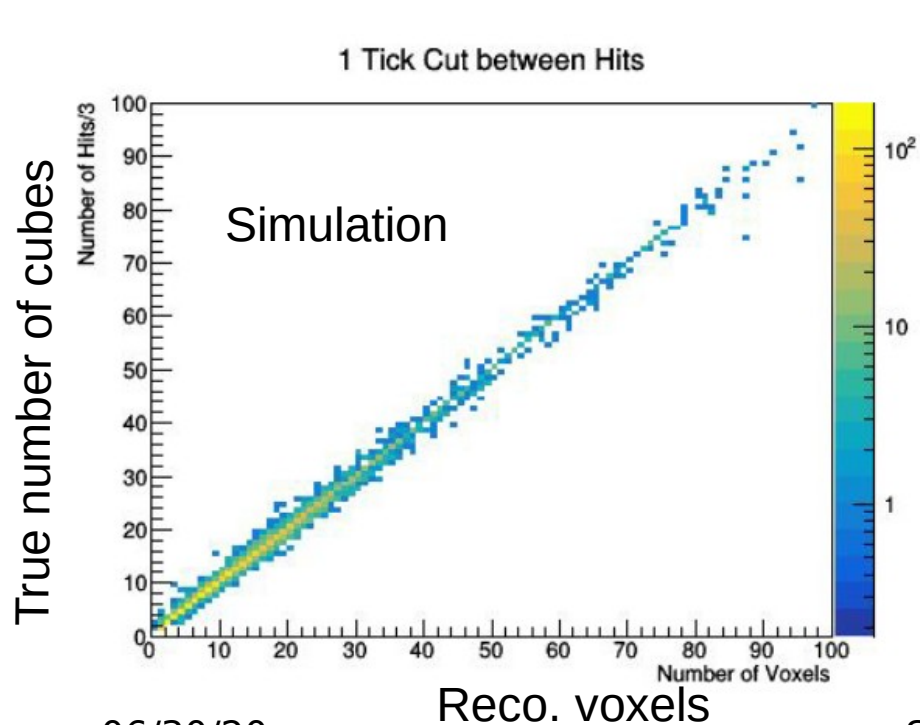
no threshold, 0.5 and 5 MeV threshold





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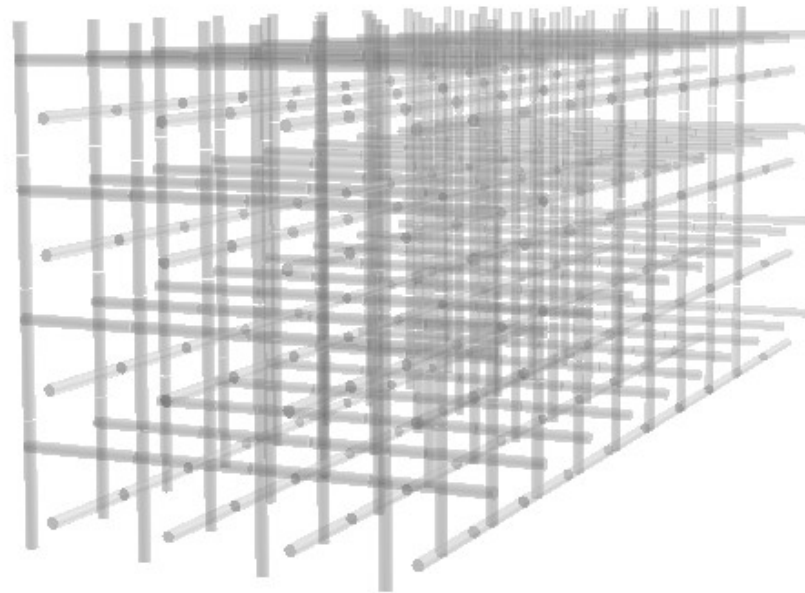
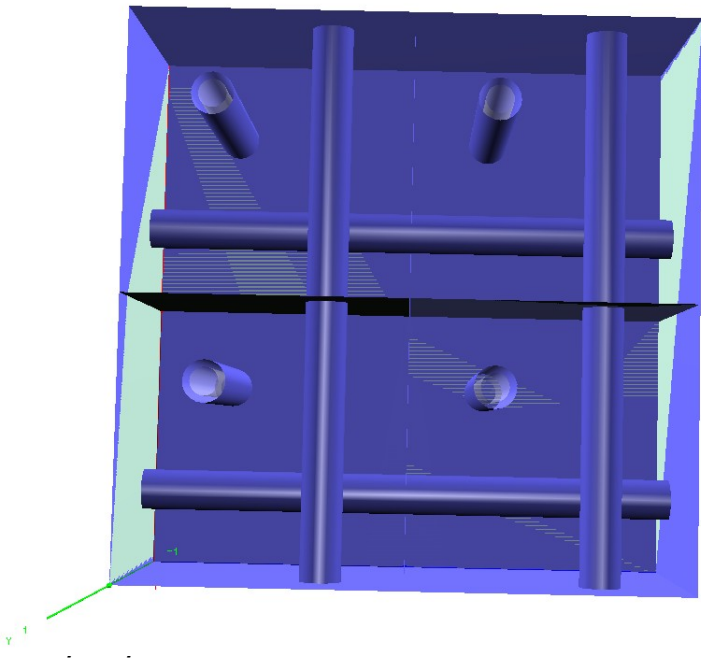
- 4. 3D matching three 2D views
- 5. select events with a specific topology and find the vertices (should be single track forward going events)





# Analysis procedure

- 7. fit exponential along  $z$  for each energy bin including the systematics
- 8. A comparison to the MC (QGSP-BERT for example)





# Summary

- A first result of the total cross section is in progress.
- A second beam test aiming for more data with the US-Japan prototype will happen later this year.