

Simulation Studies of a GEM-based TPC at the ILC

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4 Modules:

1. Primary ionisation
2. Drift of electrons
3. Gas amplification with GEMs
4. Electronics (shaper, ADC)

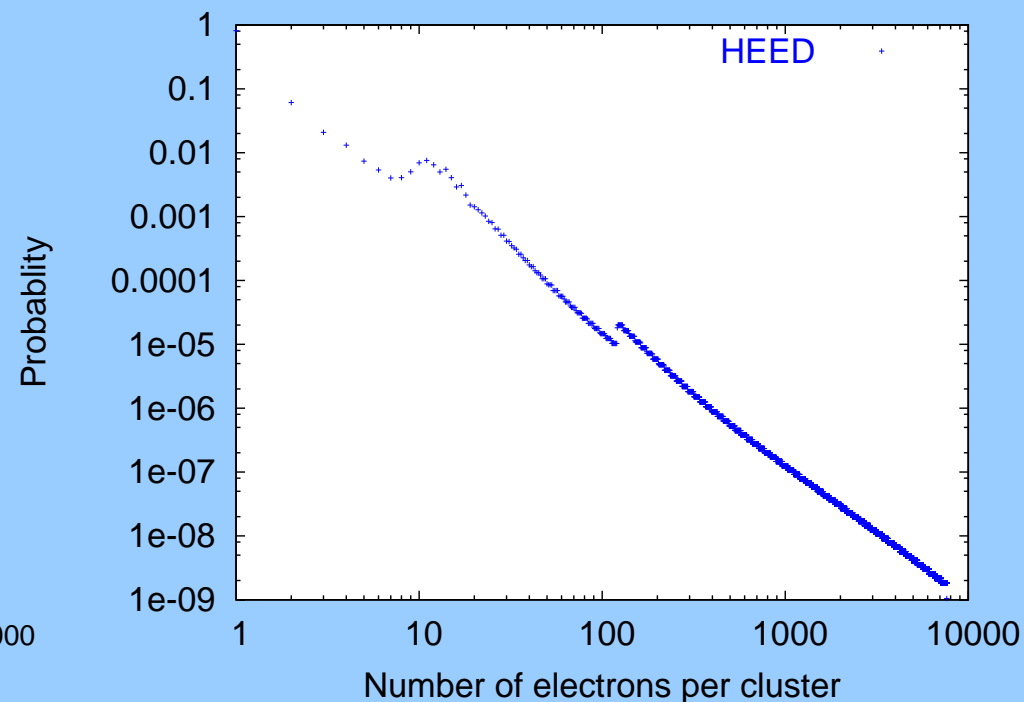
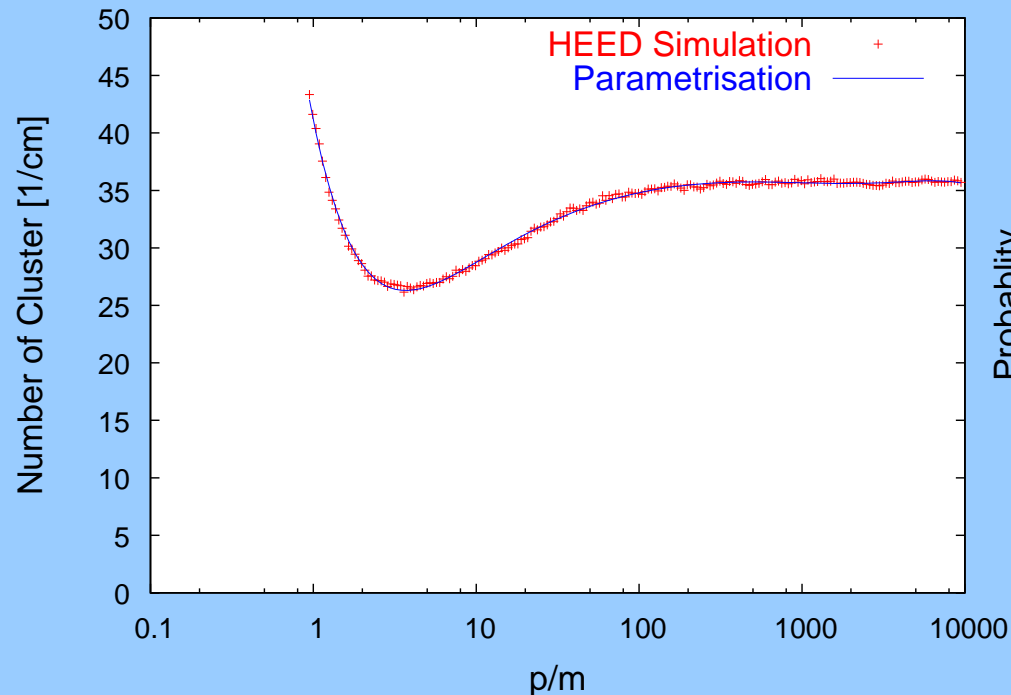
Goals: Study influence on the spatial resolution of a TPC of

- Electric and magnetic fields
- GEM settings
- Pad response, pad geometry
- Ion backdrift

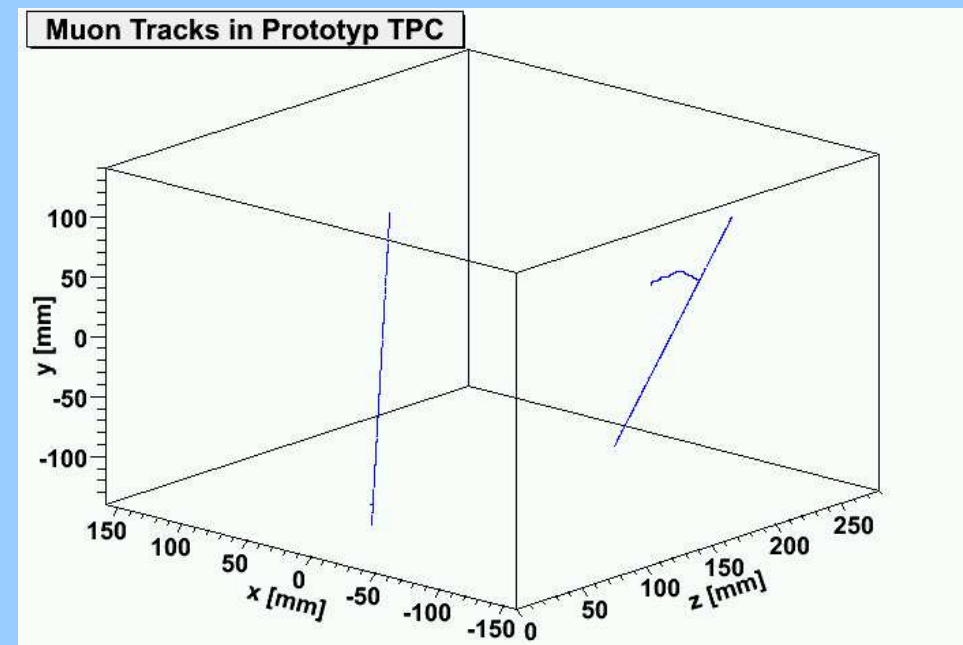
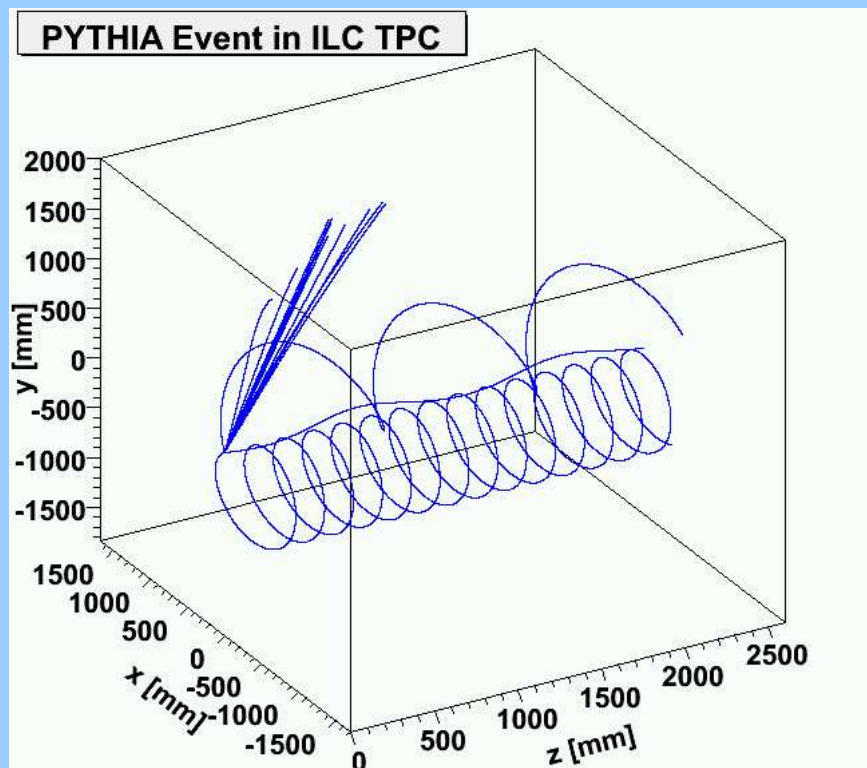
HEED: Simulation tool for primary ionisation:

→ Parametrisation of:

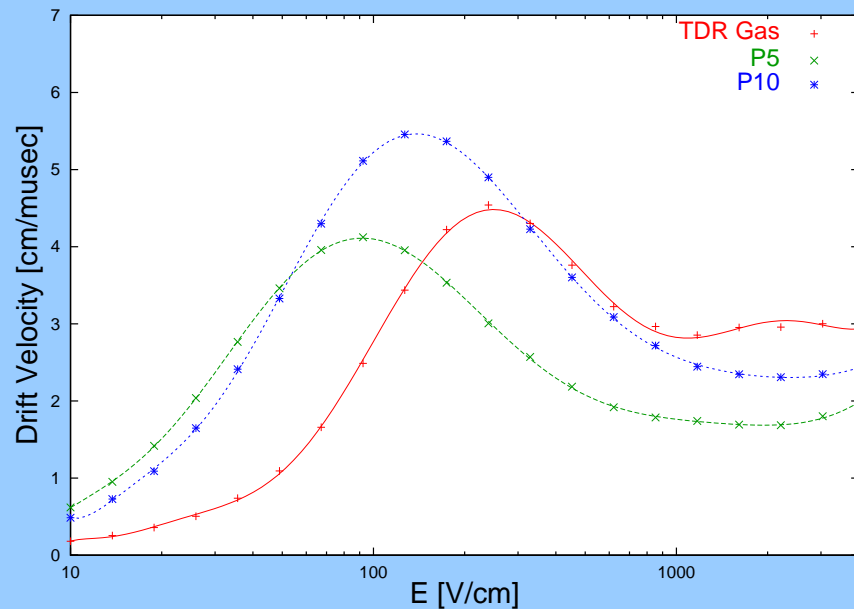
- Number of cluster per cm
- Number of electrons per cluster
- Range and energie of δ -electrons



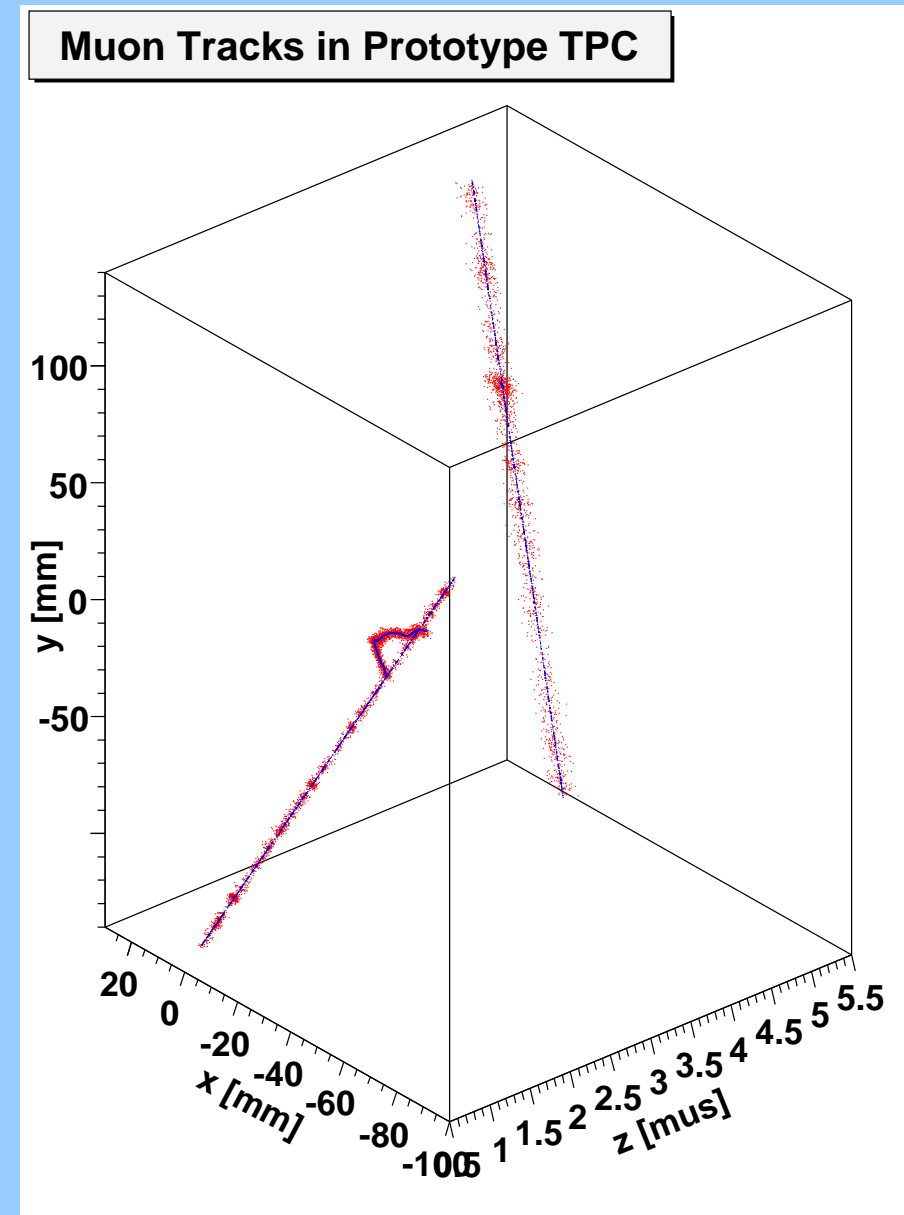
- Randomly choose distance to next cluster (exponential)
- Choose # of e^- in this cluster
- Position e^- on track ($B=0$: straight line, $B \neq 0$: helix)
- δ -electrons with angle to track + multiple scattering



Parametrise gas properties
simulated with MAGBOLTZ

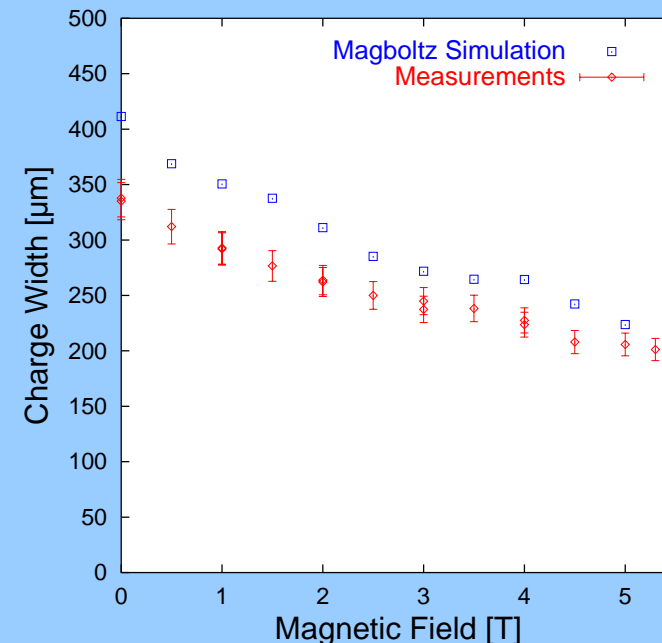
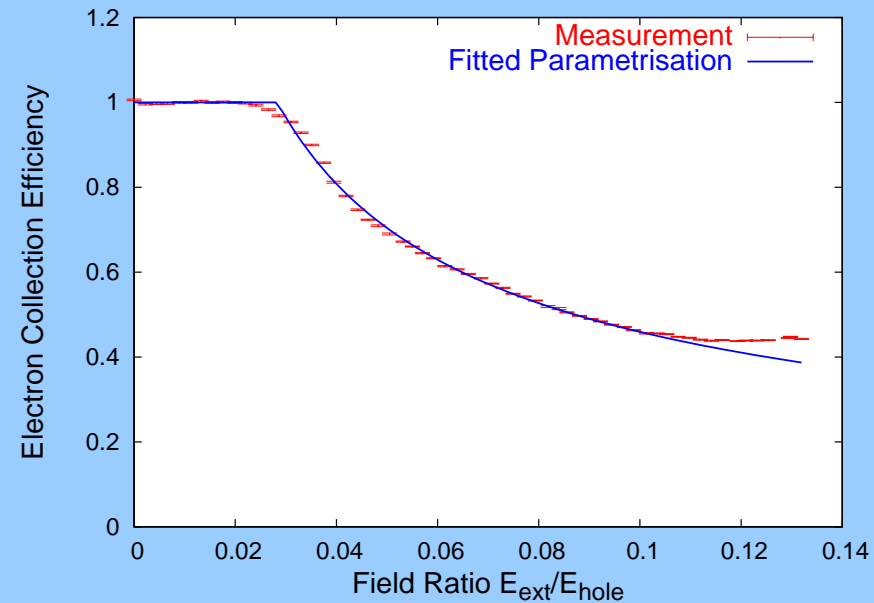


Dice coordinates after drifting
according to longitudinal and
transverse diffusion

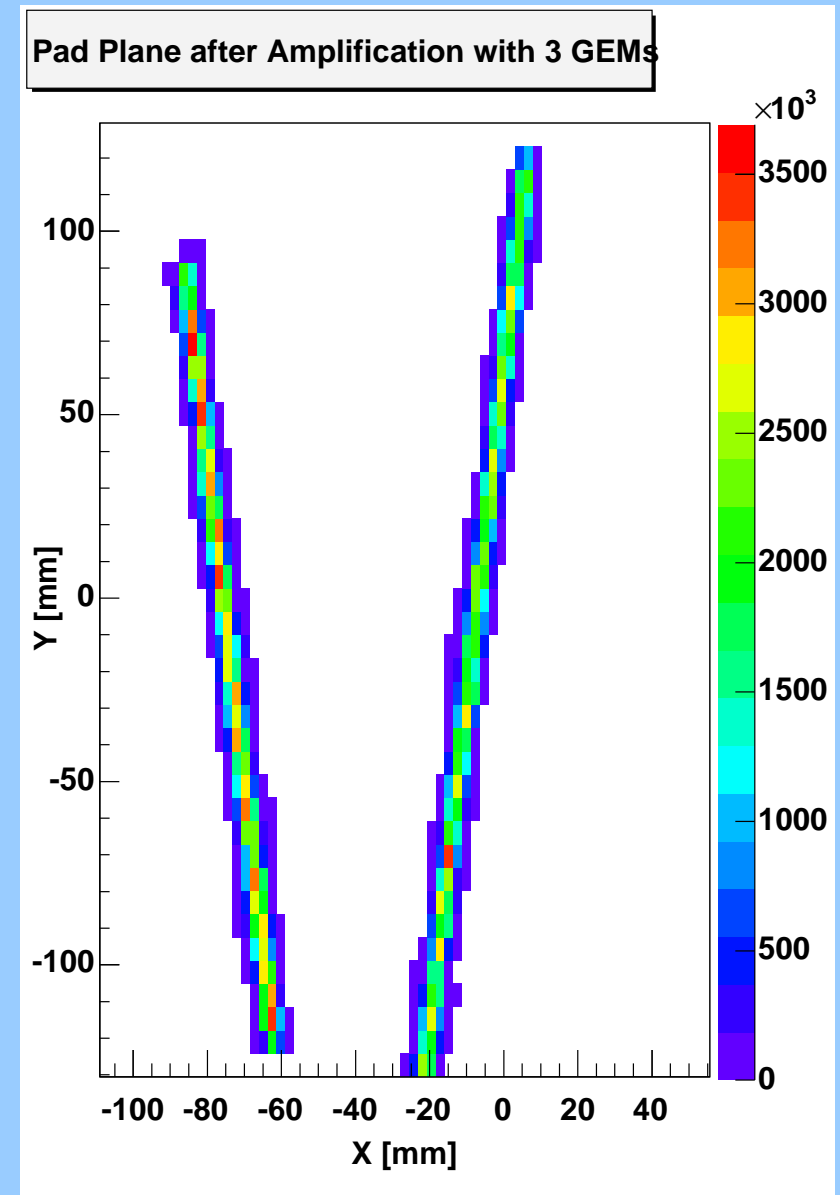


From measurements:

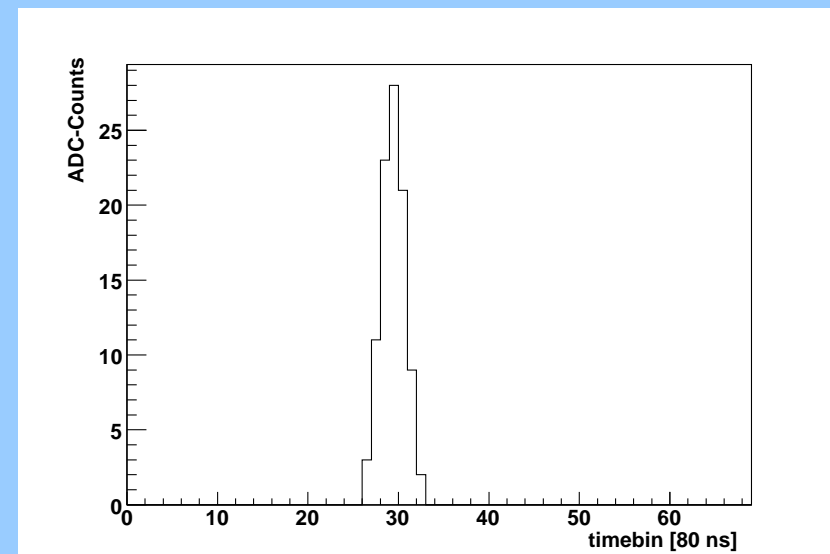
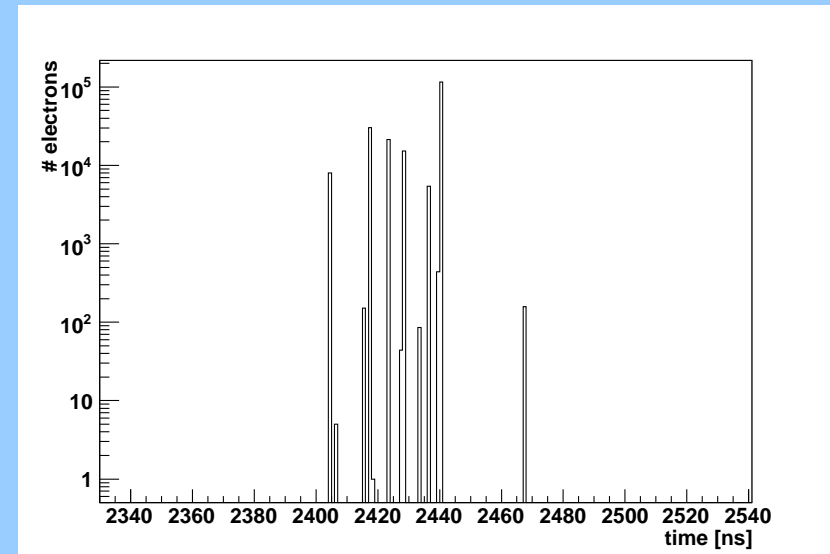
1. Parametrisation of charge transfer in triple GEM structure: collection, gain, extraction
2. Charge broadening only due to diffusion between GEMs
→ Simulate diffusion with Magboltz



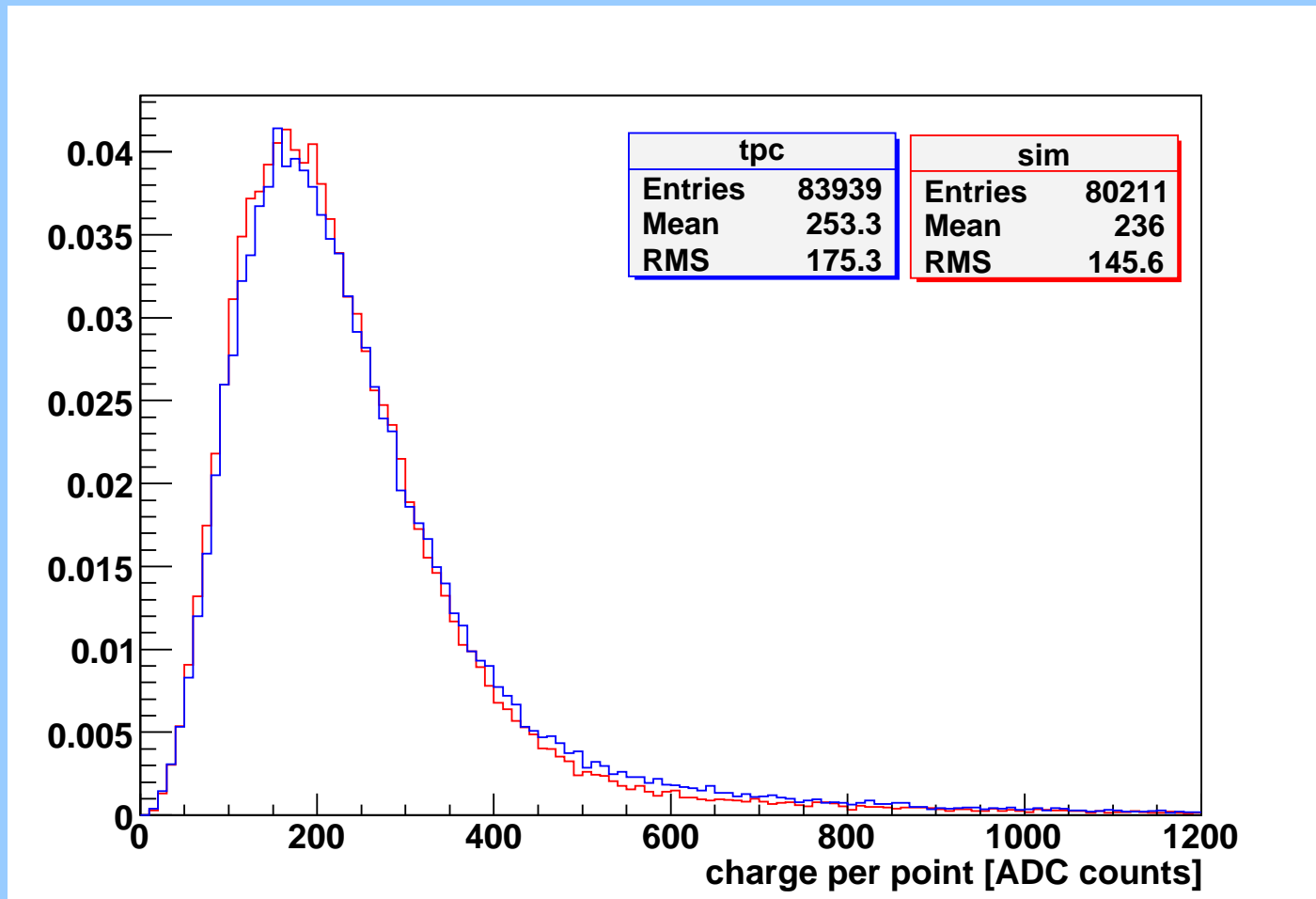
- Calculate number of secondary e^- from charge transfer combined with binomial statistics
- Integrate over 2D gaussian with sigma of charge cloud to get charge on pads
→ Voxel information:
charge on channel c
at time t



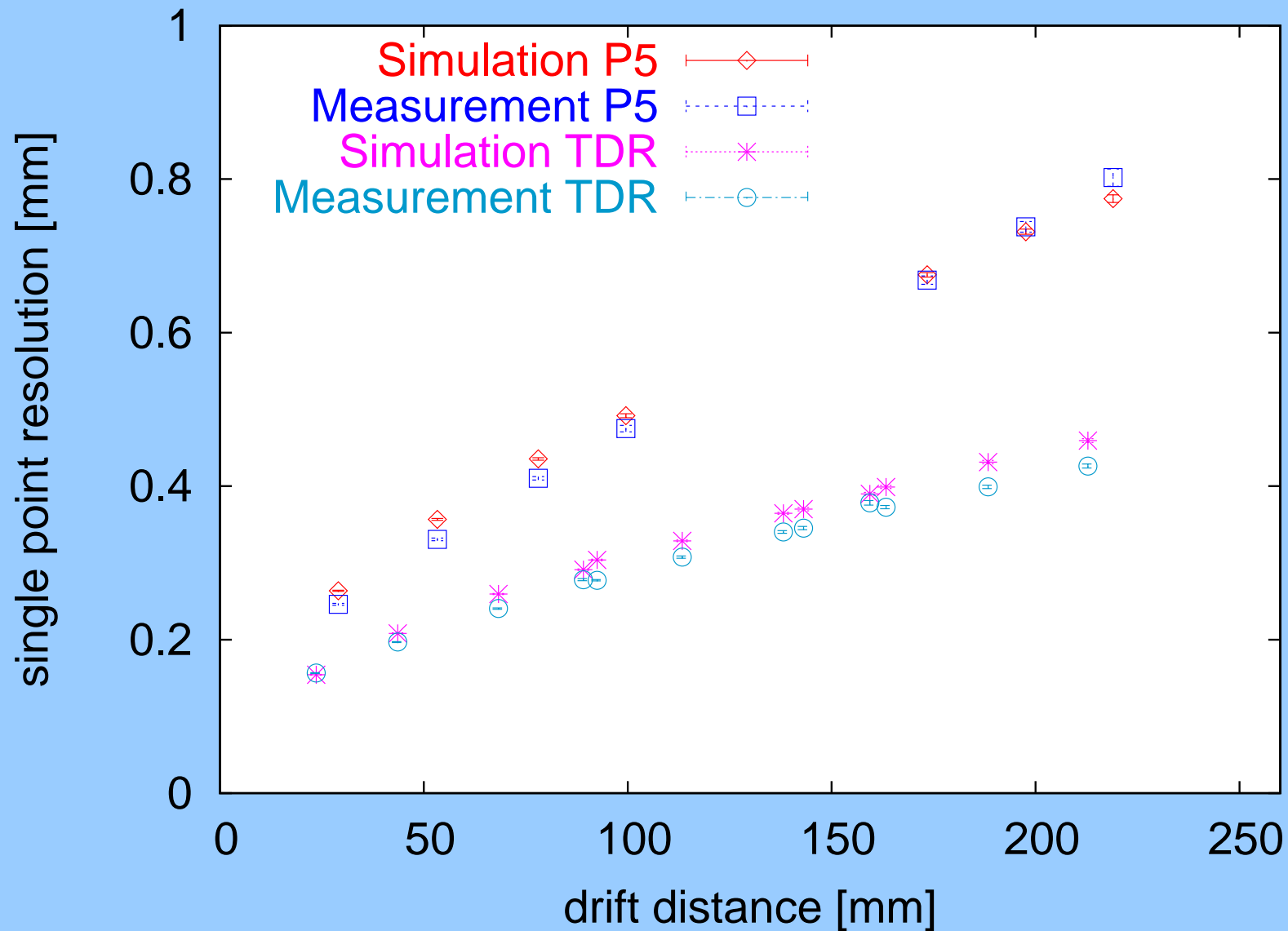
- Determine center of gravity of charge in time
- Apply shaping function (Gaussian at the moment)
- Fill electrons into time bins by integrating over every ADC bin
- Normalise charge with ADC range



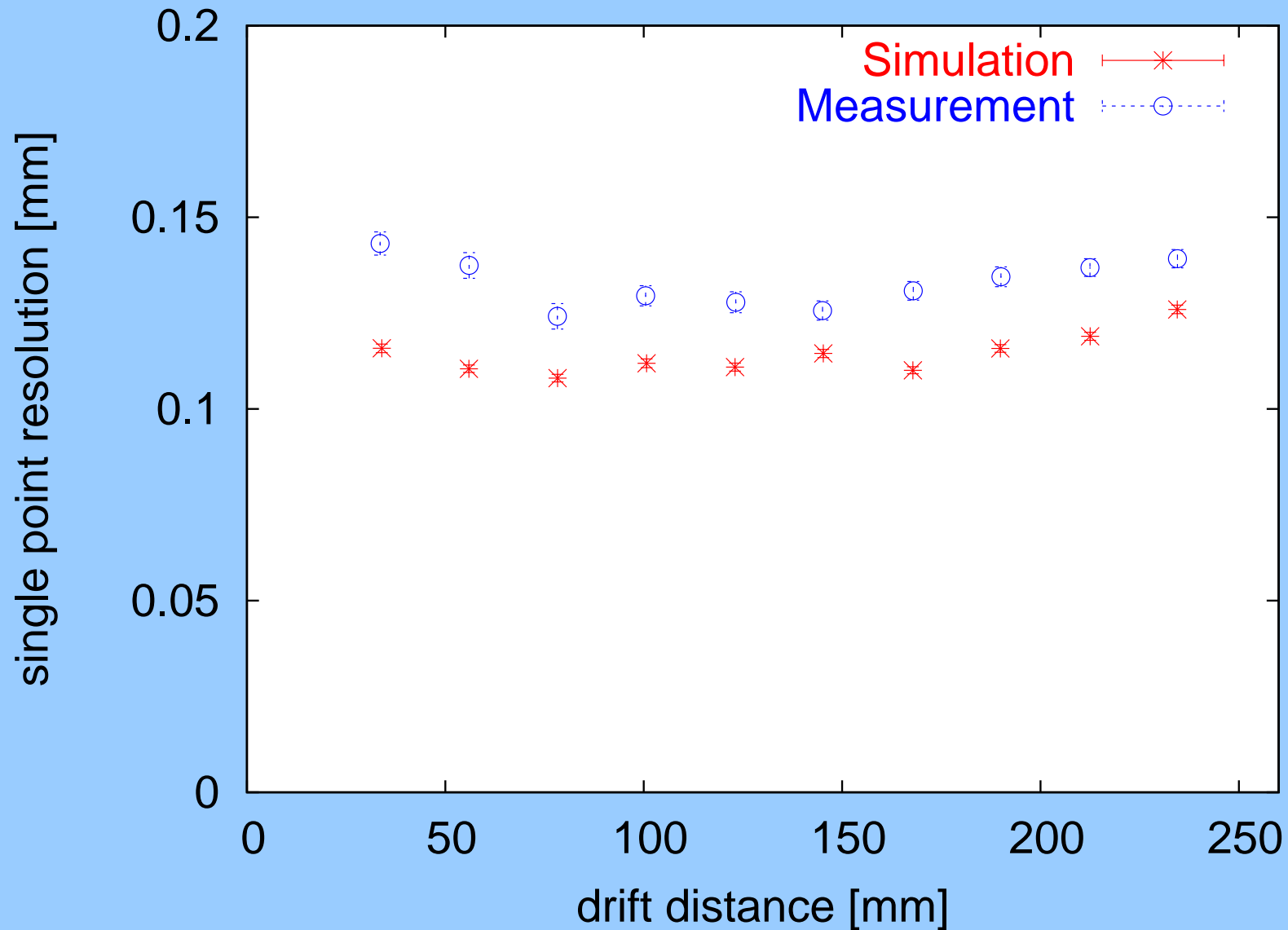
1.27 × 6.985 mm² Pads, TDR Gas, 0T, DESY Testbeam



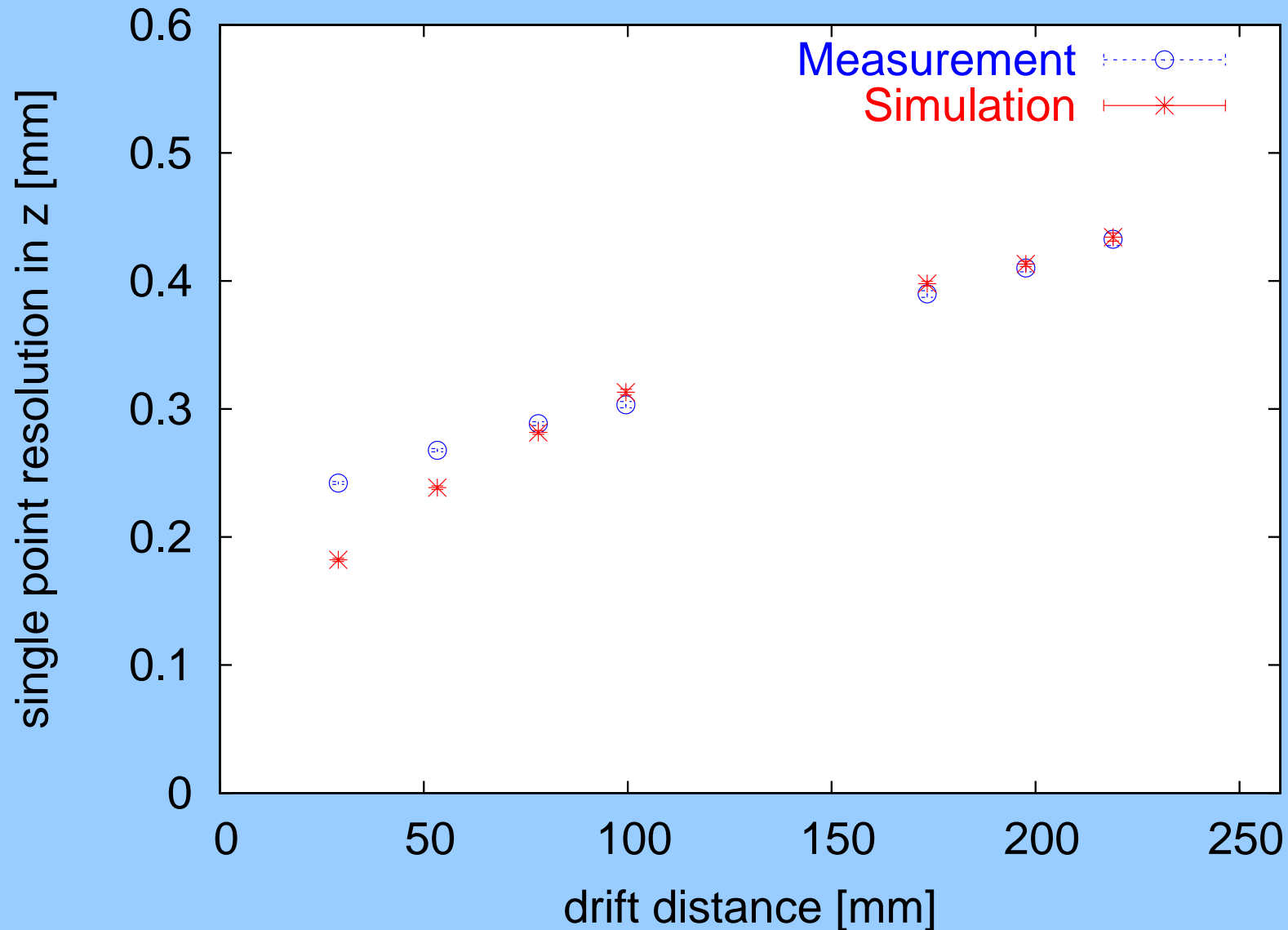
1.27 × 6.985 mm² Pads, TDR + P5 Gas, 0T, DESY Testbeam



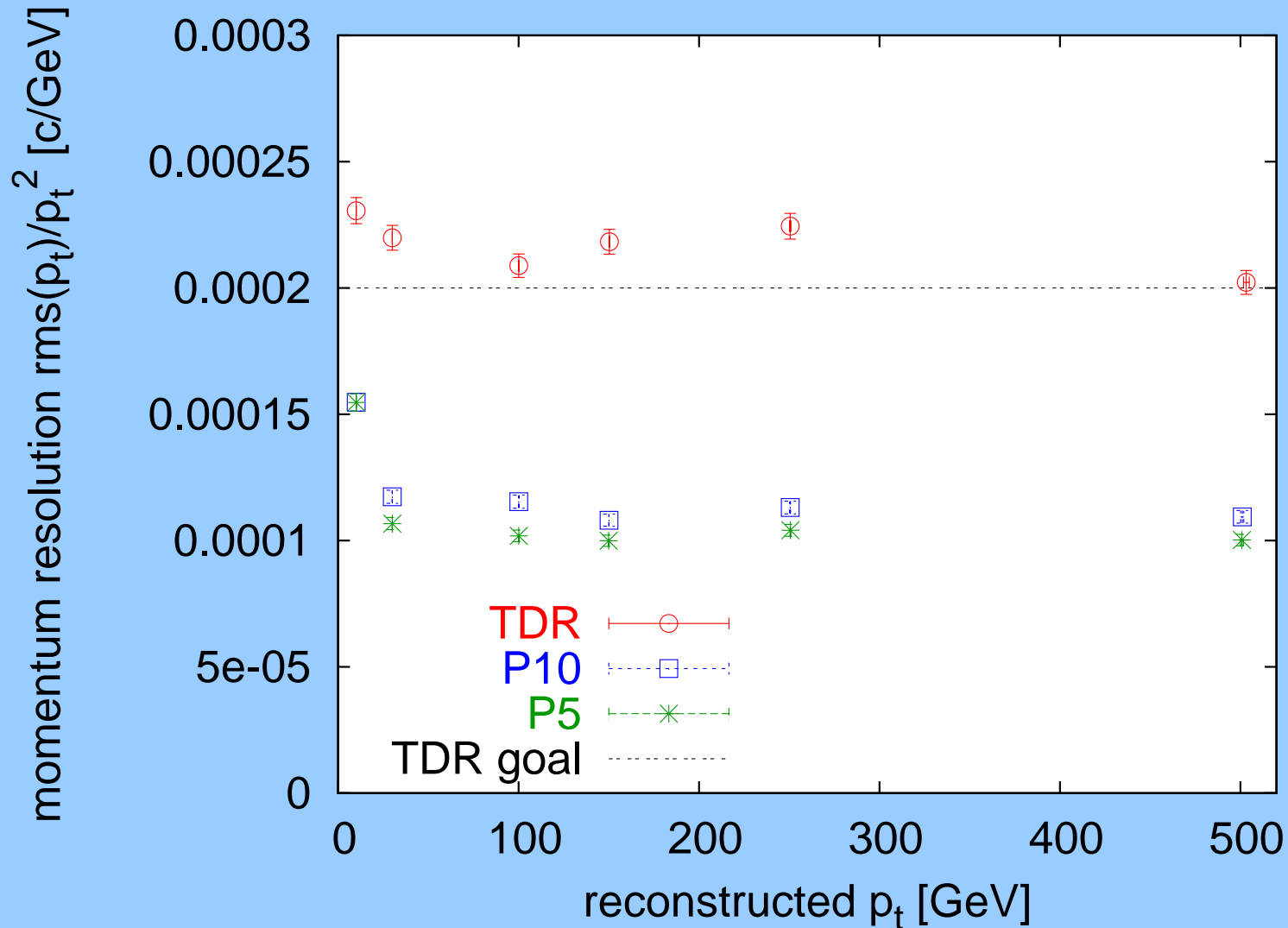
1.27 × 6.985 mm² Pads, TDR Gas, 4T, DESY Magnet



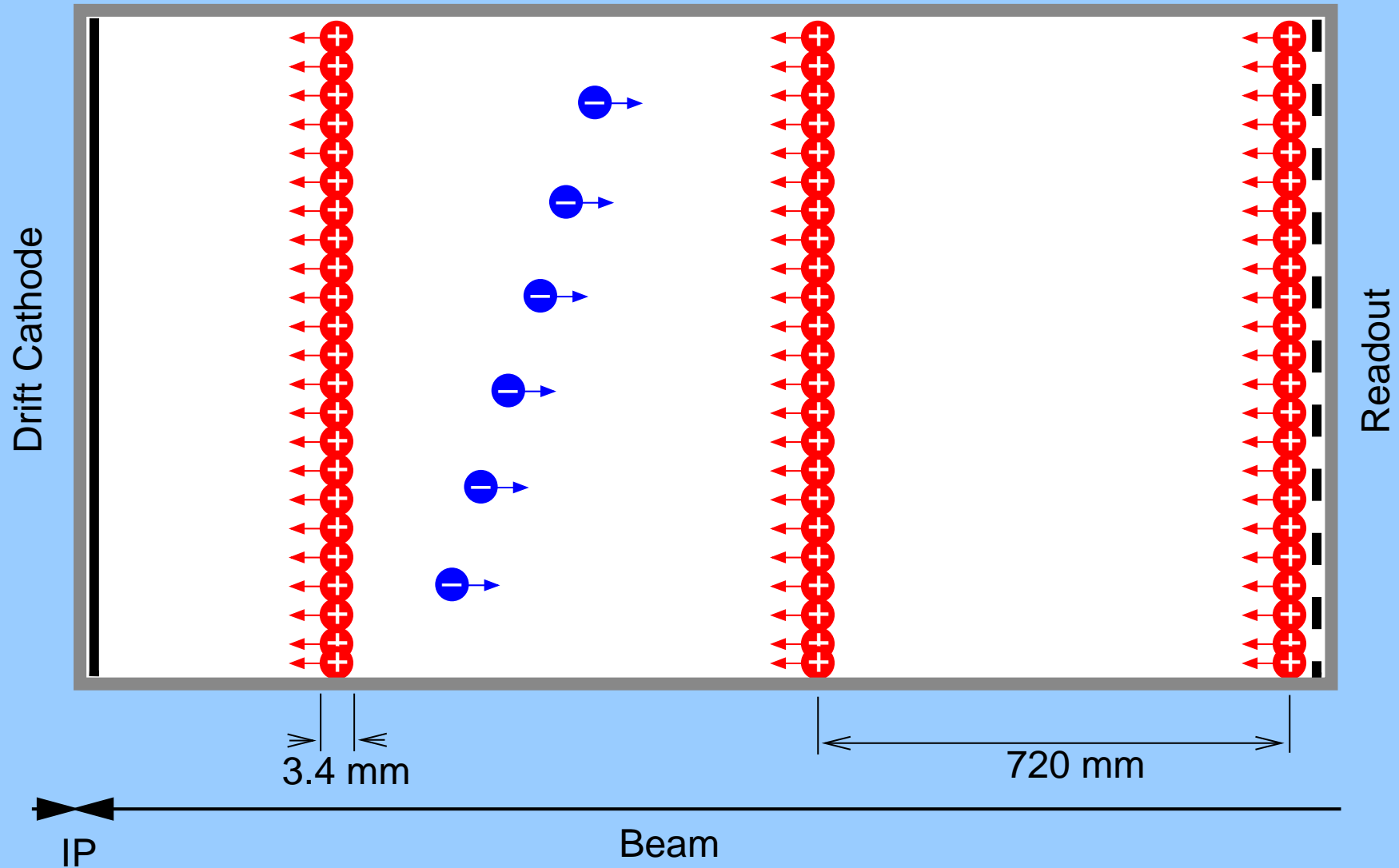
8 bit ADC, 12.5 MHz, P5 Gas, 0T, DESY Testbeam



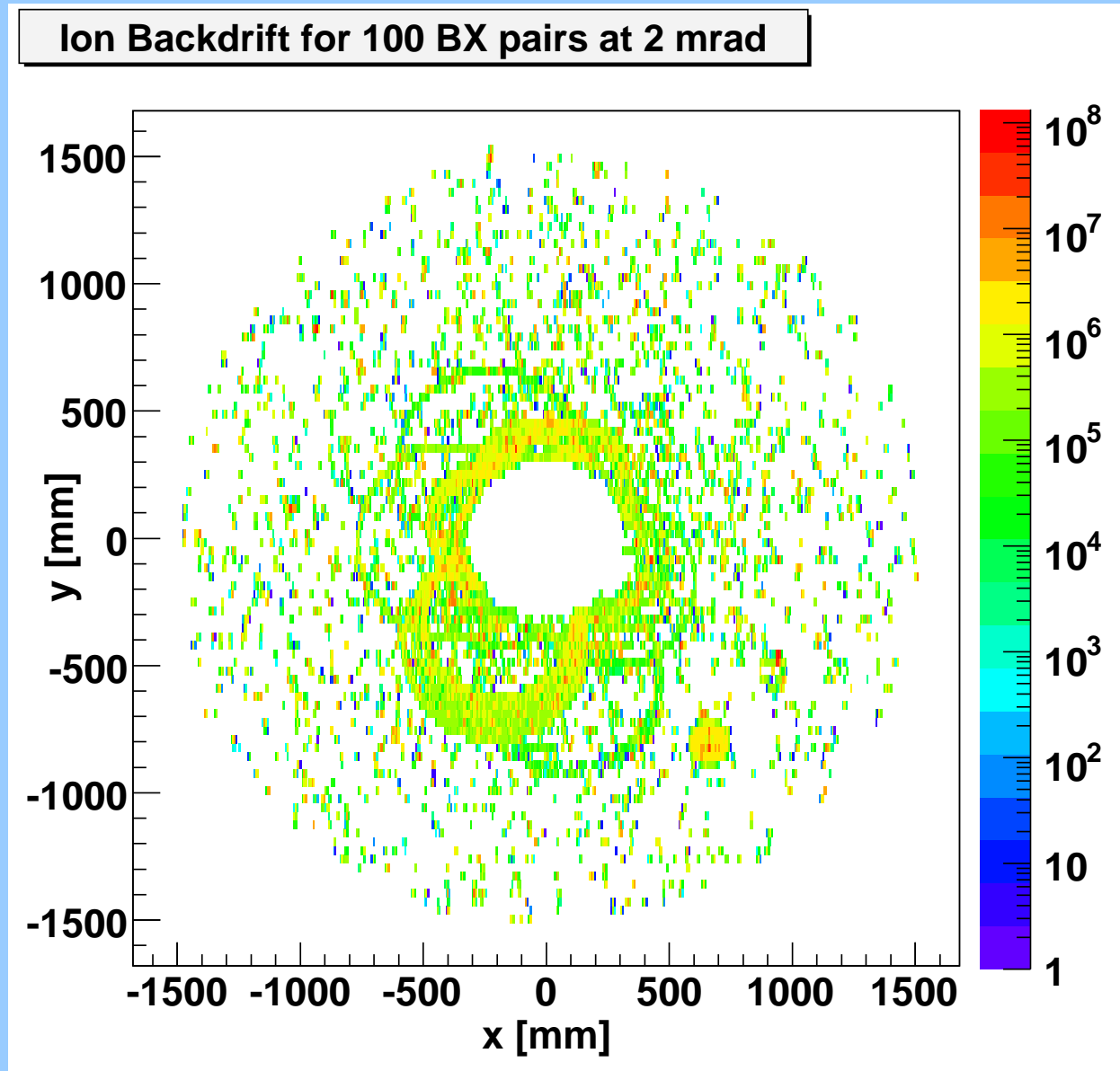
$1.0 \times 7.0 \text{ mm}^2$ Pads, 4T, $R_{\text{TPC}} = 1680 \text{ mm}$, $L_{\text{TPC}} = 2500 \text{ mm}$



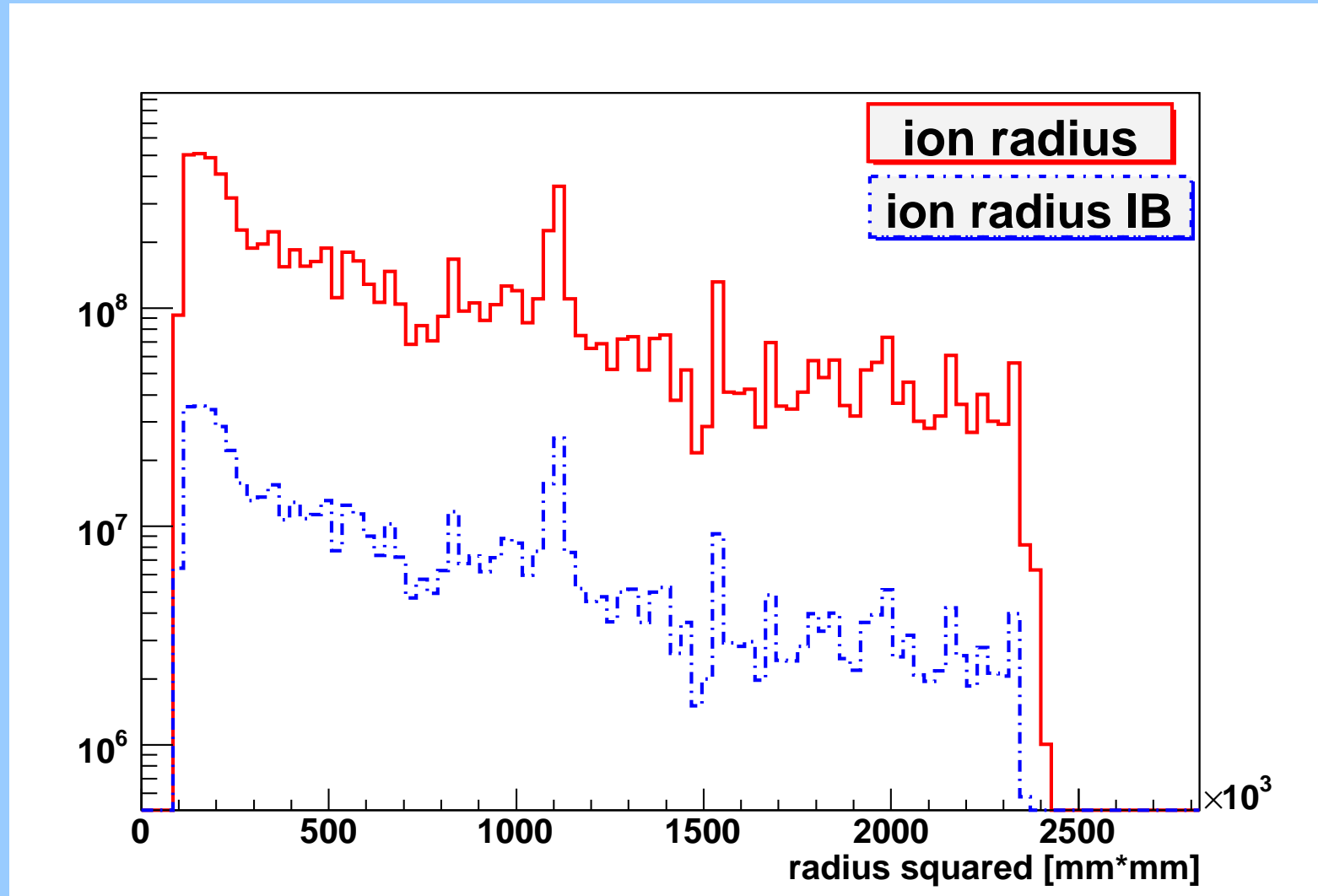
One ion slice per bunch train mainly due to background



Back drifting ions from pad plane



Radial distribution of charge from 100 BX pair background



Advantages:

- Simulation independent from large simulation packages
- Amplification with GEMs (accounts for different settings)
- Magnetic fields and 3D tracks possible
- Many input parameters for systematic studies

Outlook:

- Systematic studies for ILC TPC
- Find parametrisation of detailed studies to use in full detector simulation in MOKKA