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# NA62 RICH performance: measurement and optimization

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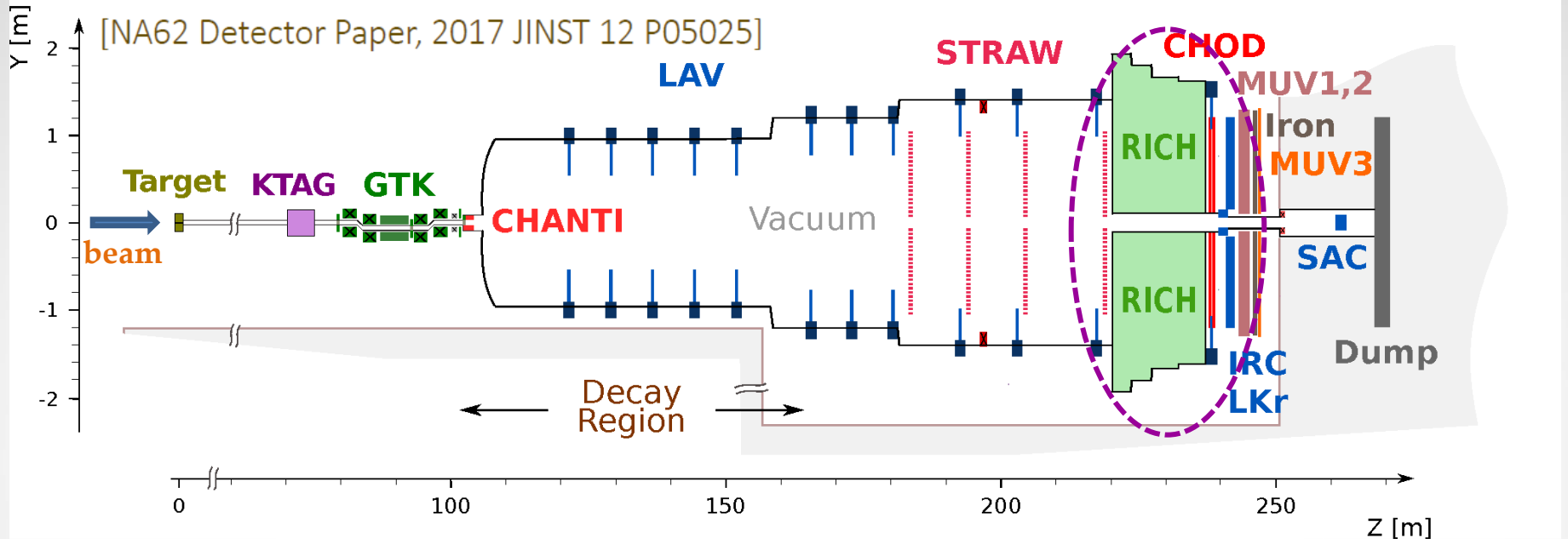
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# Outline

- NA62 and RICH
- Precise mirror alignment
- RICH performance:
  - ❖ Electron selection
  - ❖ Single ring iterative fit
  - ❖ Single hit time resolution
  - ❖ Number of hits
  - ❖ Ring radius resolution
  - ❖ Ring centre (track slope) resolution
  - ❖ Single hit resolution
- Conclusions

# NA62 setup



## Secondary positive beam

Momentum	75 GeV/c, 1% bite
Divergence (RMS)	100 $\mu$ rad
Transverse Size	60 $\times$ 30 mm <sup>2</sup>
Composition	K <sup>+</sup> (6%)/ $\pi^+$ (70%)/p(24%)
Nominal Intensity	33 $\times$ 10 <sup>11</sup> ppp (750 MHz at GTK3)

## Decay region and Detectors

Fiducial region	60 m
K <sup>+</sup> decay rate	$\sim$ 5 MHz
Vacuum	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$ mbar

- **Main goal:** BR(K<sup>+</sup> →  $\pi^+$   $\nu \nu$ ) measurement
- Other: search for New Physics in rare decays



See the talk by Patrizia Cenci for details

# NA62 and RICH requirements

## NA62 requirements:

- $10^{13}$  kaon decays in the fiducial volume
- O(100) signal events
- ~10% precision



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O( $10^{12}$ ) background rejection

Main kaon decay modes

decay	BR
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	63.6%
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	20.7%

Rejection of  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$  :

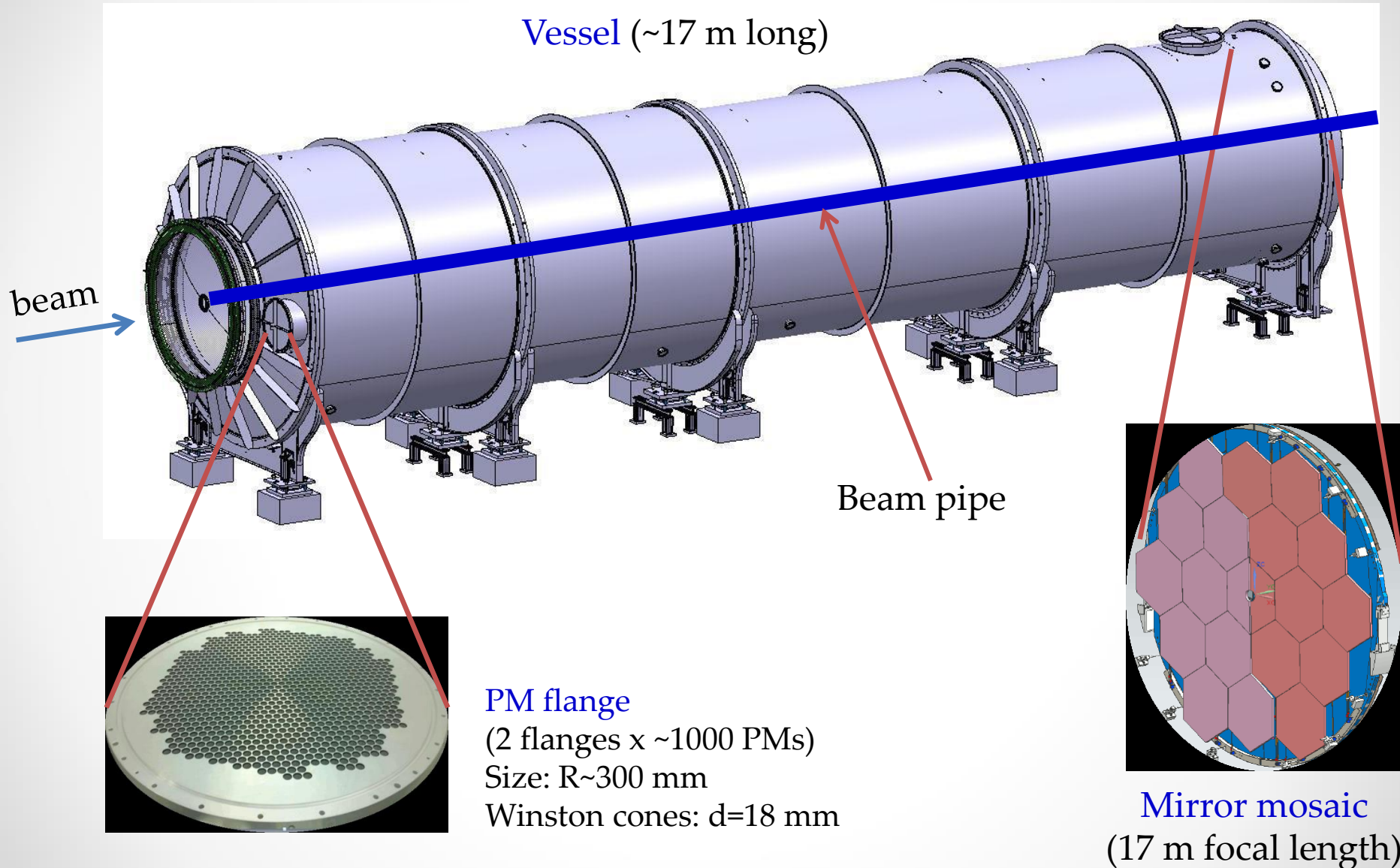
- Kinematics: O( $10^4$ )
- PID in calorimeters:  $>10^5$
- PID in **RICH**:  $>10^2$



## RICH requirements:

- Muon misID probability at the  $\sim 10^{-2}$  level in  $15 \text{ GeV}/c < p < 35 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Measure the pion crossing time with  $\sim 100 \text{ ps}$  resolution
- Provide L0 trigger for charged tracks

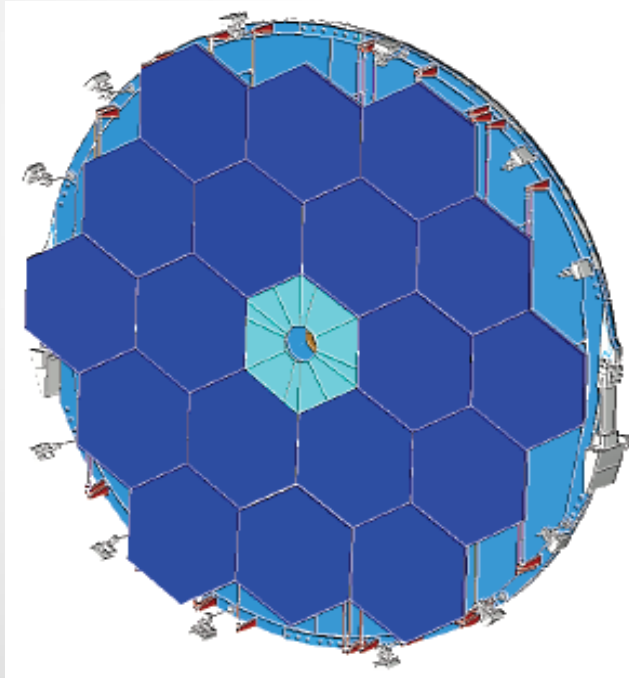
# RICH layout



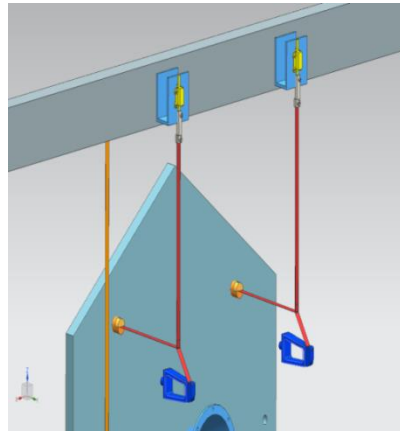
# RICH mirrors

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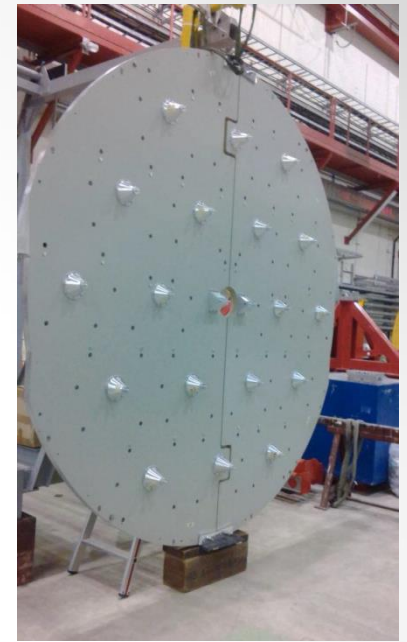
- 18 hexagonal mirrors (35 cm side), 2 semi-hexagonal (central part)
- Made of 2.5 cm thick glass ( $\sim 20\% X_0$ )
- Al coating
- Thin dielectric film to improve reflectivity



*Mirror mosaic*



*Al ribbons and piezo motors*



## Mirror support system:

- 5 cm thick honeycomb panel
- Mirrors are supported by the dowel connected to the support panel
- two Al ribbons allow for the mirror orientation
- One Al ribbon to prevent mirror rotation
- Two piezo motors to rotate mirrors remotely

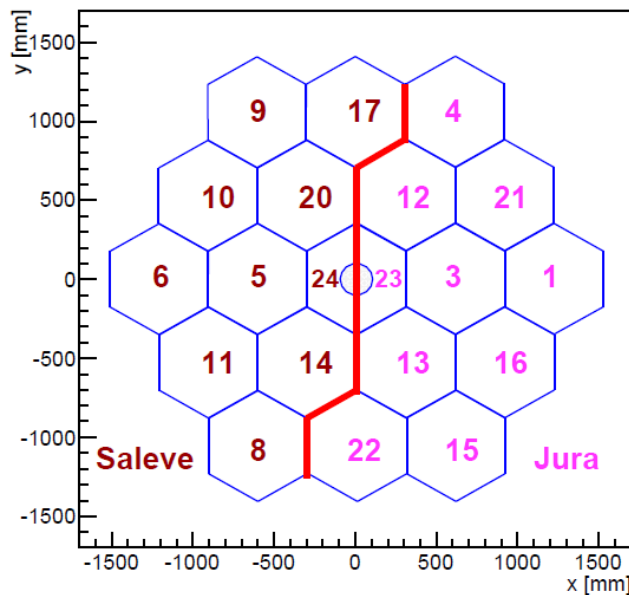
# RICH mirrors

## 2 mirror groups (Jura, Saleve):

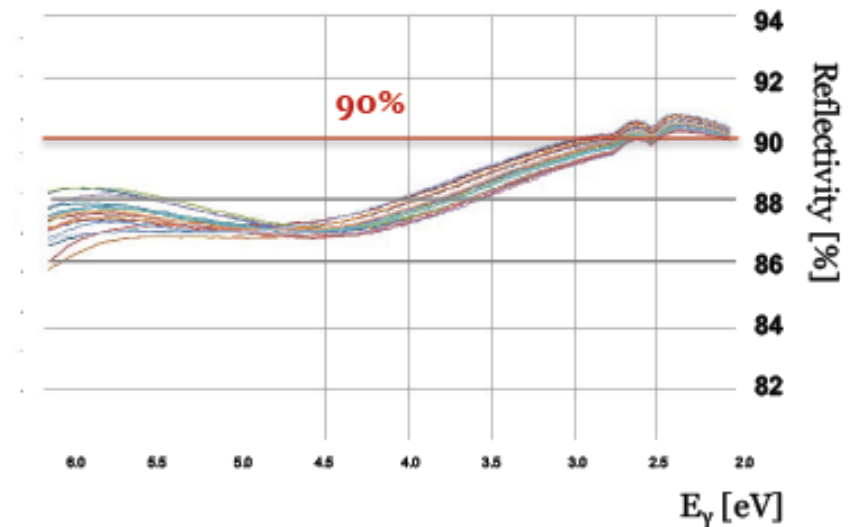
- Each group is oriented towards a corresponding PM flange

## Mirror optical properties:

- $R = 34 \text{ m}$
- Reflectivity **~88%** ( $\lambda = 195\text{-}650 \text{ nm}$ )
- $D_0 \leq 4 \text{ mm}$



Mirror numbering



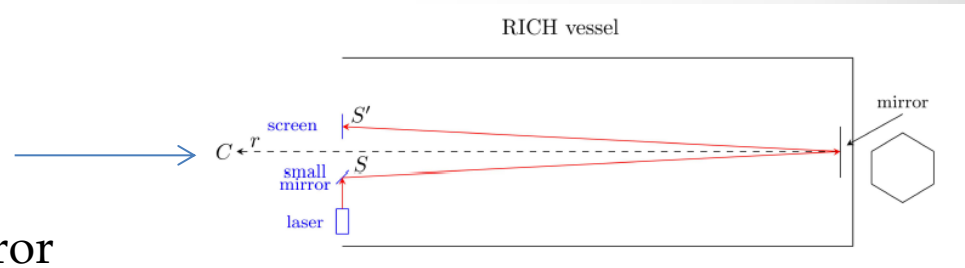
Reflectivity measurement: one curve per mirror



# RICH mirror alignment

## Preliminary laser alignment:

- Measured before closing the vessel
- Setup with  $\sim 10$  m lever arm ( $R=34$  m)
- **Precision  $O(500)$   $\mu\text{rad}$**  in terms of mirror orientation



## Precise alignment with data:

- Measured during data taking
- Use reconstructed tracks
- Iterative procedure
- **Precision  $O(30)$   $\mu\text{rad}$**  in terms of mirror orientation



# Mirror alignment: procedure

## Event selection:

- single track in the mirror acceptance
- Area illuminated by the cherenkov light in the acceptance of a single mirror (steps 1, 2) or a single group (step 3)
- single ring 100% in PM acceptance (>80% for lateral mirrors)

## Step 1:

- Measure the **absolute misalignment AM** for 20 mirrors
- $AM = Real - Predicted$
- Real ring centre: ring fit
- Predicted ring centre: track extrapolation to the PM plane (nominal orientation assumed)

## Step 2:

- Calculate the **relative misalignment** for 18 hexagonal mirrors
- Reference (one per group): semihex mirror
- Calculate **piezo motor movements** needed to compensate the relative misalignment
- Rotate mirrors

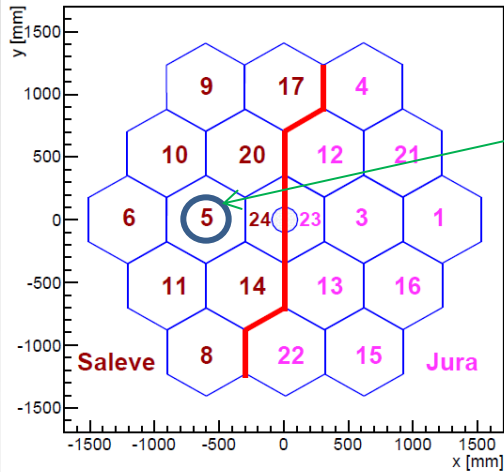
## Step 3:

- Calculate a **global offset GO** (average absolute misalignment) for each group
- Calculate **residual misalignment RM** ( $RM = AM - GO$ ) for each mirror

## End of the iteration procedure:

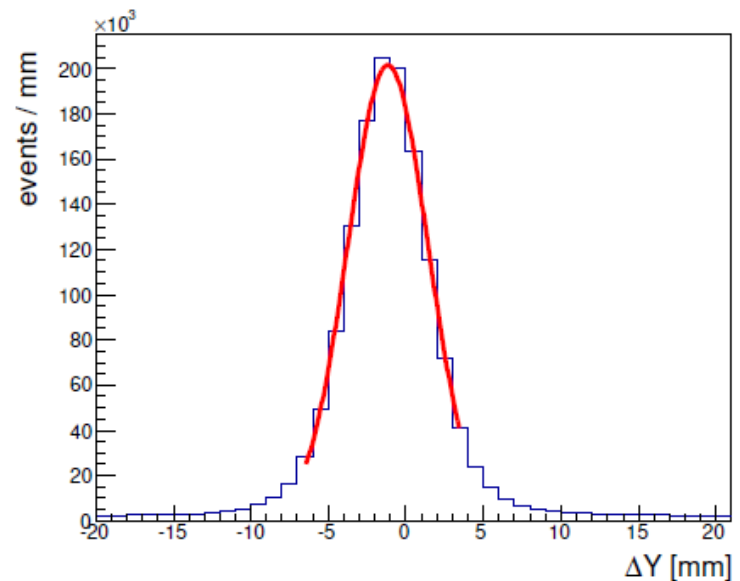
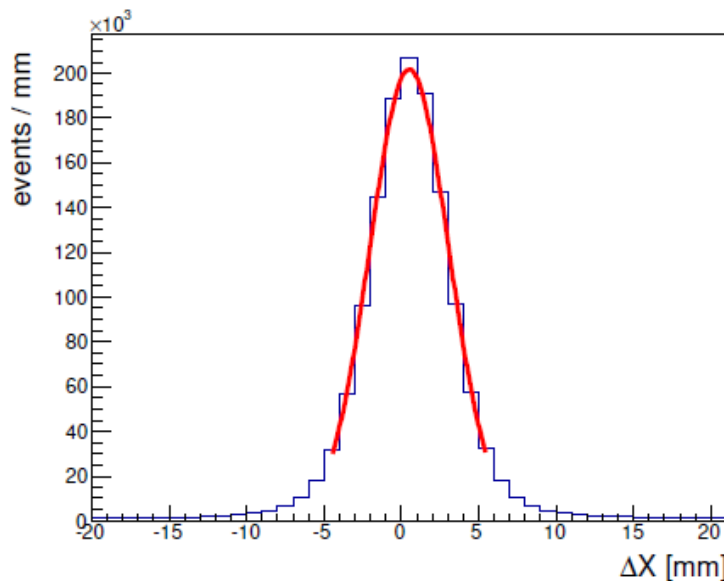
- Residual misalignment  $O(1)$  mm (i.e.  $30 \mu\text{rad}$ )

# Mirror alignment: example



## Alignment in 2016, step 1:

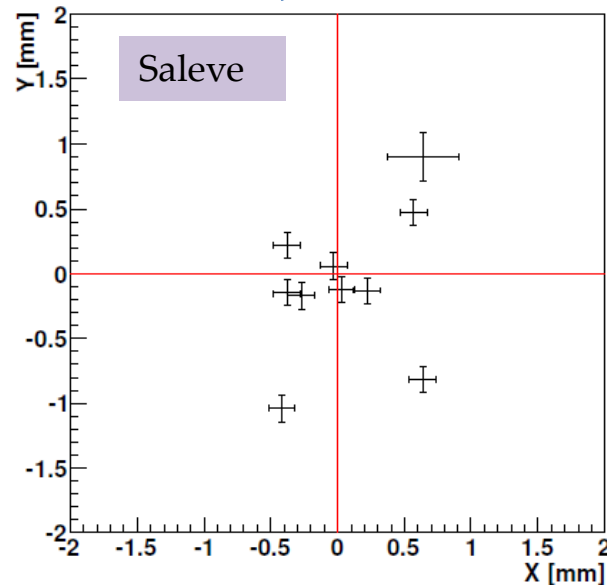
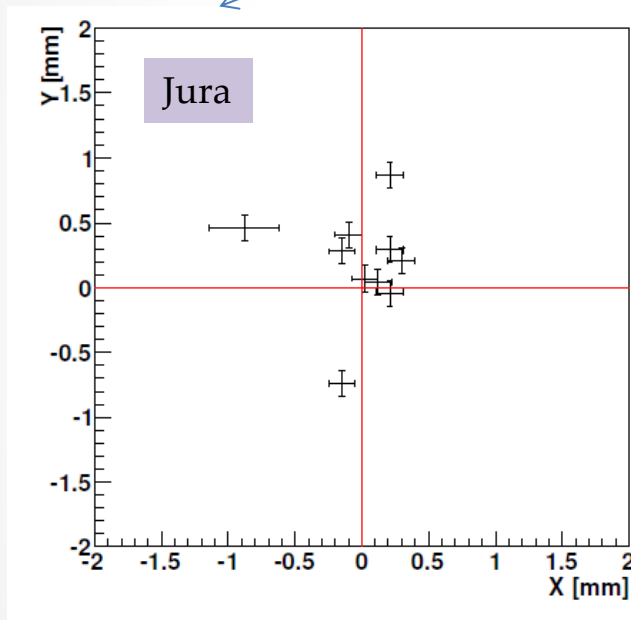
- Mirror #5
- Global offsets of the previous iteration subtracted
- Gaussian fit performed
- Absolute misalignment is the gaussian mean



# Mirror alignment: results

## Alignment in 2016, step 3:

- Global offsets  $\sim O(20)$  mm
- Residual misalignment (one point = one mirror)



## Performance optimization:

- ✓ Misalignment measurement on a monthly basis
- ✓ Global offsets and residual misalignment stored in a database

# RICH performance

**RICH performance depends a lot on the event selection**



## **“basic” performance:**

- Dedicated event selection
- Resolution of “low-level” variables
- Can be compared with other RICHes



## **“real” performance:**

- Analysis-driven event selection (e.g.  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ )
- “high-level” variables (PID)

## **Measurement:**

- Electron sample from  $K^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \pi^0$
- Rings fully in acceptance



This talk

## **Measurement ( $\pi/\mu$ PID):**

- $\pi \nu \nu$ -like selection
- Pion sample from  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$
- Muon sample from  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$



See the talk by Roberta Volpe for details

# RICH measurements and performance

RICH measurement	Where used	Performance parameter
Time		
Ring radius		
Ring centre		
$N_{\text{hits}}^*$		

\* :  $N_{\text{hits}} \approx N_{\text{photons}}$  (one photon per PM)

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Ring centre	Complementary track slope measurement	
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Ring centre	Complementary track slope measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ring centre resolution</li></ul>
$N_{\text{hits}}^*$	Specific event selection, PID	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <math>\langle N_{\text{hits}} \rangle</math></li><li>• Figure of Merit</li></ul>

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# Iterative single ring fit

## Standalone single ring fit:

- No track information
- $\sum |r_i - r_0 - R|^2 / \sigma_{\text{hit}}^2$  is minimized ( $r_i$  : hit position,  $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$  : single hit resolution)
- Fit result: ring centre  $r_0$ , ring radius  $R$
- $\text{NDF} = N_{\text{hits}} - 3$

## Iterative single ring fit (to remove noisy hits):

- Perform the standard single ring fit
- Calculate  $\chi^2(\text{iter}) = (r_i - r_0 - R)^2 / \sigma_{\text{hit}}^2 + (t_i - \langle t \rangle)^2 / \sigma_t^2$  for each hit  
( $\langle t \rangle$  : average hit time,  $\sigma_t = 0.28$  ns )
- A hit with the largest  $\chi^2(\text{iter})$  is removed

## Conditions to stop the iterative procedure (OR):

- $\chi^2(\text{iter}) < 4$  for each hit
- $N_{\text{hits}} = 4$
- $N_{\text{iter}} > 5$

## Performance optimization:

- ✓ Fit procedure can be tuned for single-track analyses (standalone, track seeded, combination)

# Single hit time resolution

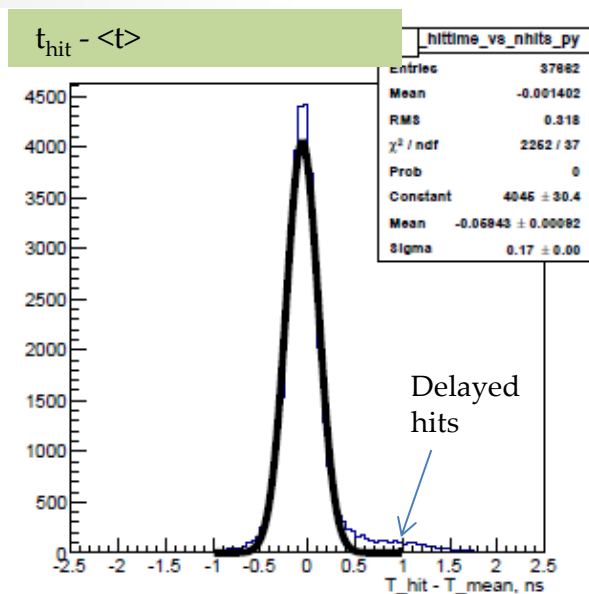
$(t_{\text{hit}} - t_{\text{ref}})$  distribution: non-gaussian due to delayed hits (known issue)

**Gaussian part:**

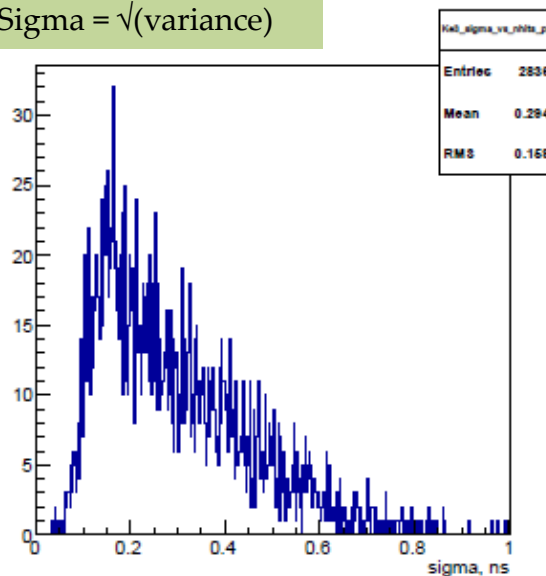
- plot  $(t_{\text{hit}} - \langle t \rangle)$
- Fit the central part

**RMS:**

- Calculate variance of hit times
- Plot  $\sqrt{\text{variance}}$
- RMS is the histogram mean



$\text{Sigma} = \sqrt{\text{variance}}$



Gaussian part: 0.17 ns  
RMS: ~0.28 ns

# Number of hits

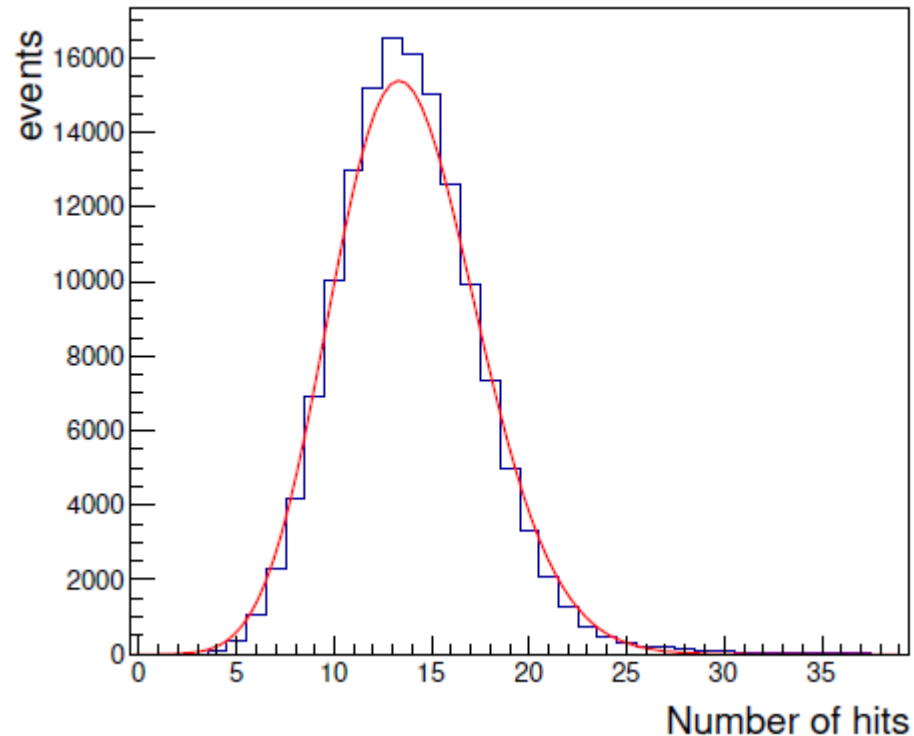
Poissonian fit:

$$\langle N_{\text{hits}} \rangle = 13.8$$

**Figure of Merit  $N_0$ :**

$$N_{\text{hits}} = N_0 * L * \sin^2\theta$$

$$N_0 = 65 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$



## Performance optimization:

- ✓  $\langle N_{\text{hits}} \rangle$  is measured on a run-by-run basis
- ✓ Values are stored in a database

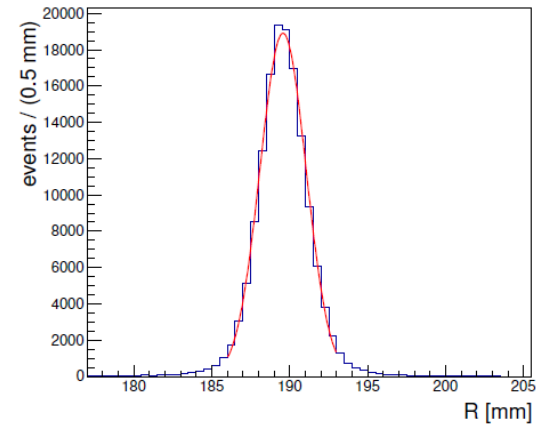
# Ring radius and ring centre resolution

## Ring radius:

- $\langle R \rangle = 189.6 \text{ mm}$  ( $\theta = 11.2 \text{ mrad}$ )
- $\sigma(R) = 1.47 \text{ mm}$  ( $90 \mu\text{rad}$ )

→ Ring radius resolution

Ring radius distribution



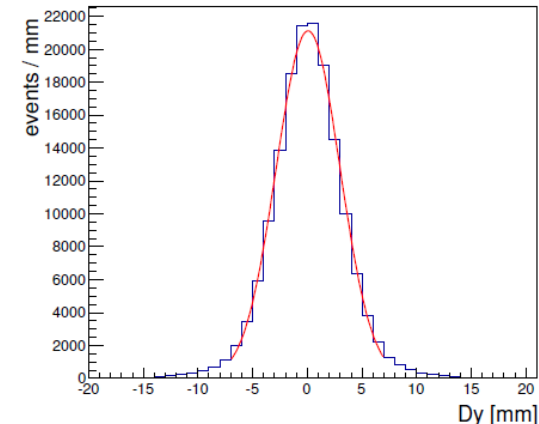
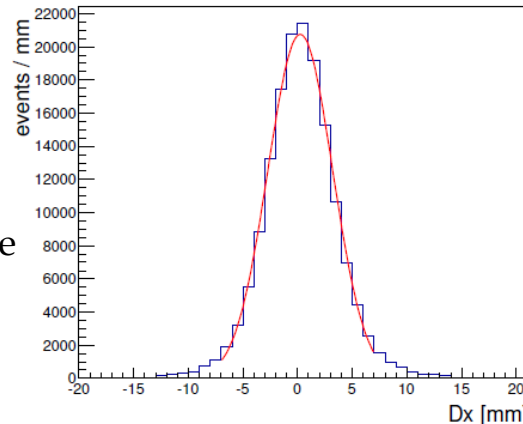
## Ring centre (track slope) :

- $\sigma(Dx) = 2.96 \text{ mm}$  ( $170 \mu\text{rad}$ )
- $\sigma(Dy) = 2.92 \text{ mm}$  ( $170 \mu\text{rad}$ )

← Ring centre resolution

→ Track slope resolution

(Real – predicted) ring centre



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→ Spectrometer contribution:  
 $< 0.6 \text{ mm}$  ( $< 35 \mu\text{rad}$ )

# Single hit (space) resolution

## Single hit resolution $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$ :

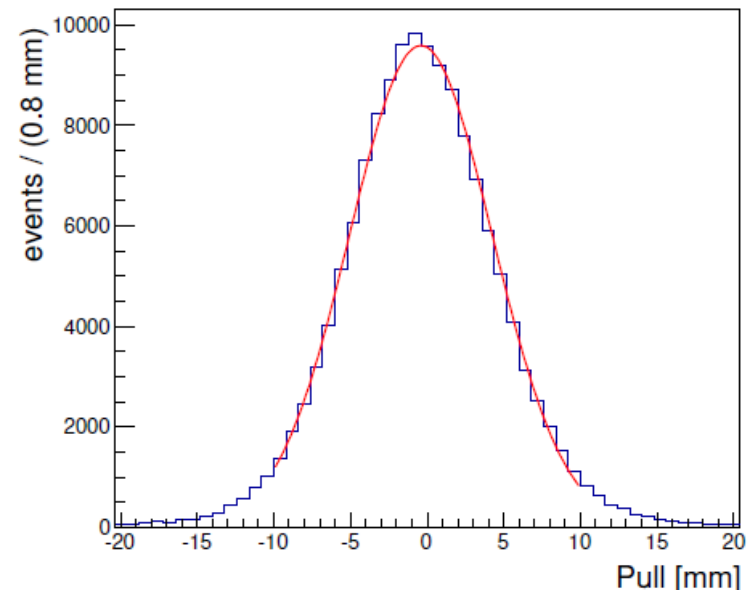
- “Normalized” (per hit) ring radius resolution
- Must be synchronized with the ring fit method
- $\text{Pull} = (R - \langle R \rangle) \sqrt{(N_{\text{hits}} - 3)}$  used for  $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$  determination

└→ Classical approach: hit-ring centre distance

## Single hit resolution:

- $\sigma_{\text{hit}} = 4.66 \text{ mm}$  (270  $\mu\text{rad}$ )

Pull distribution



# Resolution key factors

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Multiple scattering (entrance window)			
Multiple scattering (Ne)			
Cone geometry			
Ne dispersion			

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# Mirror misalignment contribution

## Measure resolutions for two event selection:

- All
- Single mirror



Mirror misalignment contribution is the quadratic difference (All – Single mirror)

resolution	all	Single mirror	Misalignment contribution
$\sigma(R)$ , mm	1.47	1.31	0.7
$\sigma(Dx)$ , mm	2.96	2.82	0.9
$\sigma(Dy)$ , mm	2.92	2.83	0.7
$\sigma_{hit}$ , mm	4.66	4.18	2.1

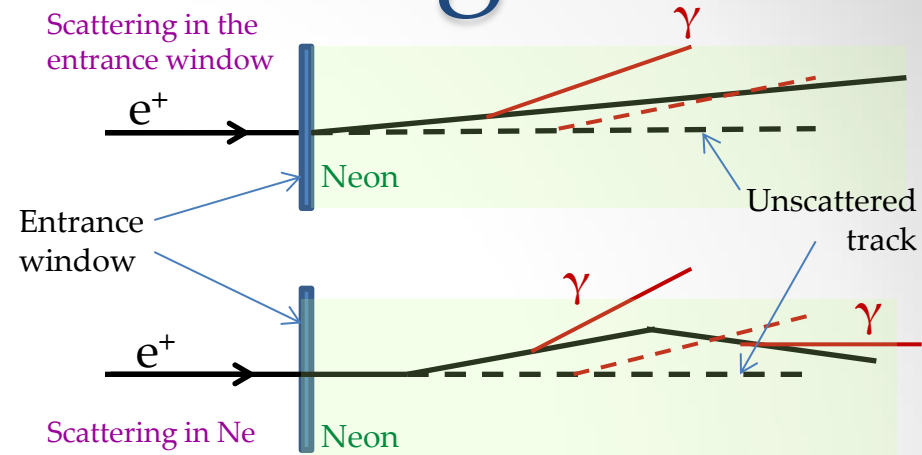
## Performance optimization:

- ✓ Misalignment contribution is not dominant
- ✓ Mirror alignment is optimized

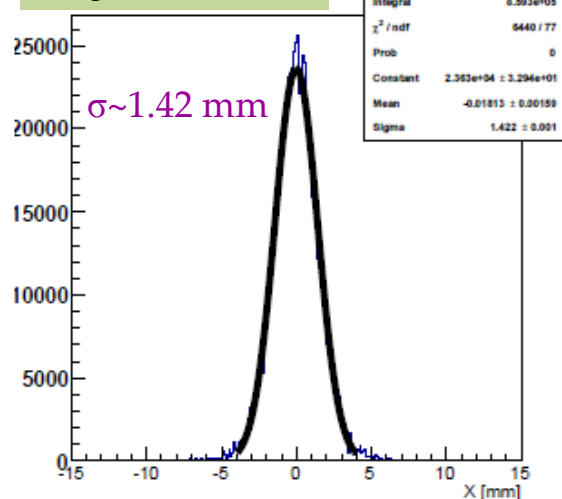
# Multiple scattering

## Toy MC:

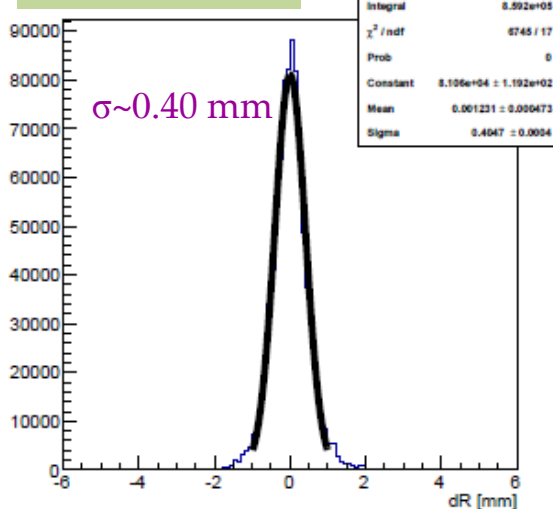
- Entrance window (2 mm Al, 2.2%  $X_0$ )
- Ne (17 m, 5.6%  $X_0$ )
- Photon emission points



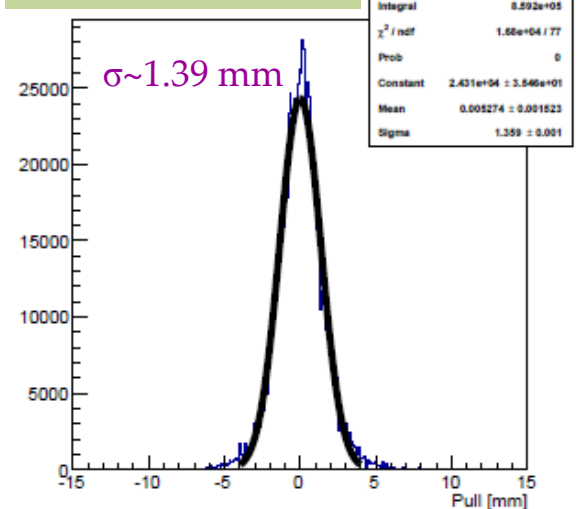
Ring centre X



R - <R>

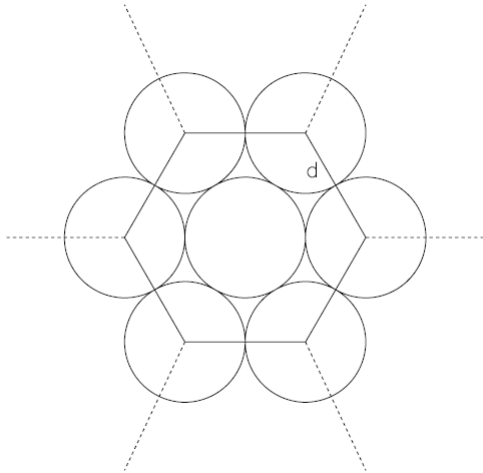


Pull



# Cone geometry

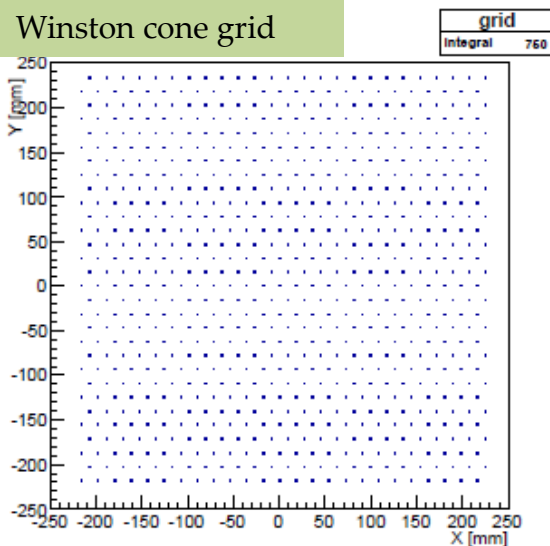
Hexagonal packing of Winston cones



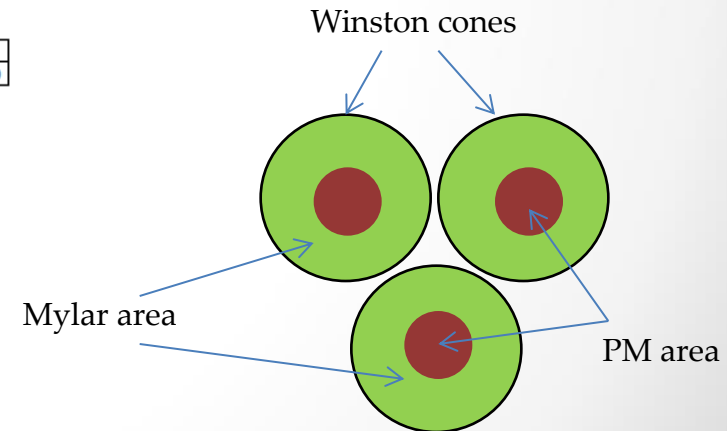
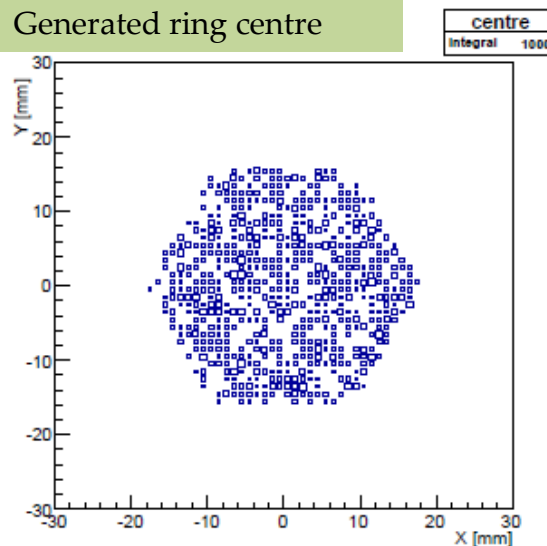
## Toy MC:

- 2D grid of Winston cones
- Generate **real ring centre**, uniformly in the central hexagon
- Shift all hits by the real centre coordinates
- Assign closest cone centre to the **hit position**
- Reject hits between cones
- **Cone reflectivity**: reject 5% hits in the mylar area ( $3.75 < r < 9$  mm)

Winston cone grid



Generated ring centre



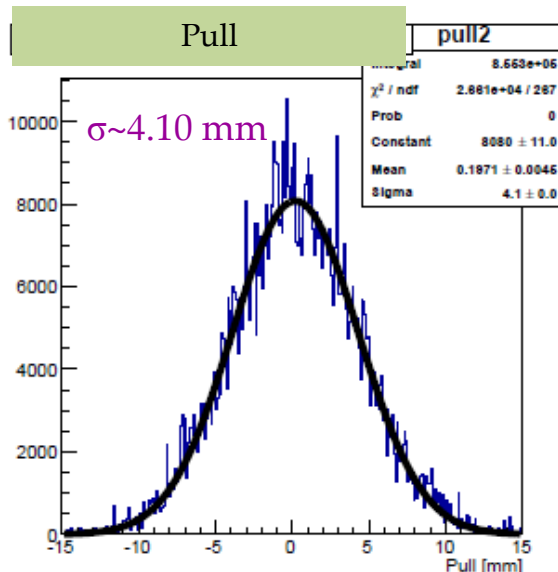
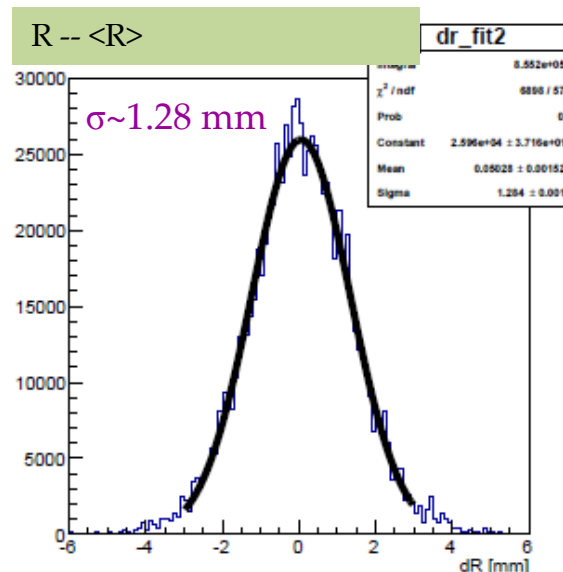
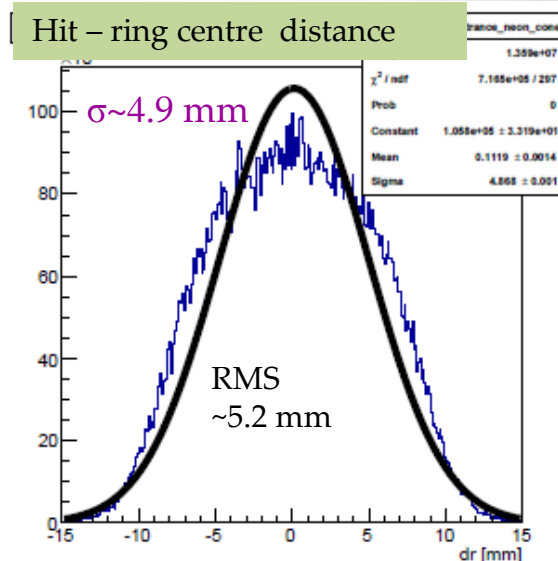
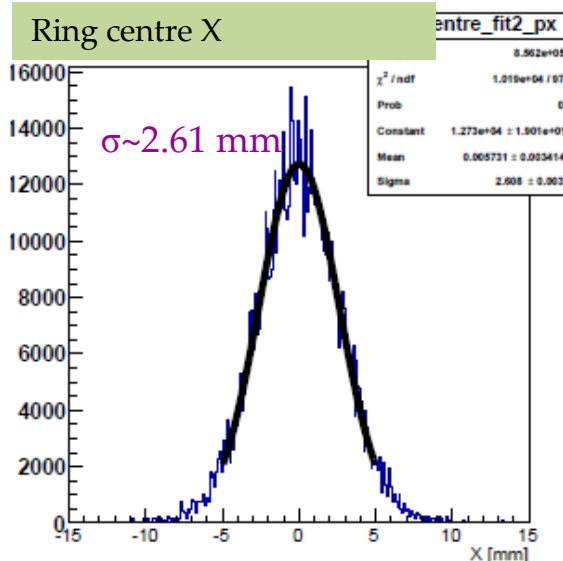
# Toy MC: combined effect

## Effects simulated:

- track angular resolution
- Multiple scattering
- Cone geometry

## Non-gaussian shape of the hit-ring distance:

- observed in data
- reproduced by the toy MC
- Due to the cone geometry



# Toy MC vs data

	Multiple scattering (toy MC)	Cone geometry (toy MC)	Total (toy MC)	Data (single mirror)
Ring radius resolution [mm]	0.40	1.2	1.28	1.31
Single hit resolution [mm]	1.39	3.9	4.10	4.18
Ring centre X resolution [mm]	1.42	2.2	2.61	2.82

- Reasonable agreement between toy MC and data
- Some discrepancy in the ring centre resolution ( $\sim 1.1$  mm) could be explained by a larger effective thickness of the entrance window



# Neon dispersion

## Contribution to the single hit resolution:

$\sigma_{hit, \Delta n} \simeq f \Delta \theta_n \simeq f \Delta n / \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the Cherenkov angle,  $\theta \simeq R/f$

$$\Delta n = \sqrt{\langle (n-1)^2 \rangle - \langle n-1 \rangle^2}$$

## Averaging over the “real” photon spectrum:

$$\langle n-1 \rangle = \int [(n(\lambda)-1) * \epsilon_{tot}(\lambda) * dN(\lambda)] / \int [\epsilon_{tot}(\lambda) * dN(\lambda)]$$

$$\langle (n-1)^2 \rangle = \int [(n(\lambda)-1)^2 * \epsilon_{tot}(\lambda) * dN(\lambda)] / \int [\epsilon_{tot}(\lambda) * dN(\lambda)]$$

$$\epsilon_{tot}(\lambda) = \epsilon_{mirror}(\lambda) * \epsilon_{cone}(\lambda) * \epsilon_{quartz}(\lambda) * \epsilon_{packing} * \epsilon_{PM}(\lambda)$$



$$\sigma_{hit, \Delta n} = 0.6 \text{ mm (small)}$$

# Resolution budget

Ring radius	[mm]	[ $\mu$ rad]
Mirror misalignment	0.7	40
Multiple scattering	0.4	20
geometry	1.2	70
Total (measured)	1.5	90

Single hit	[mm]	[ $\mu$ rad]
Mirror misalignment	2.1	120
Multiple scattering	1.4	80
geometry	3.9	230
Total (measured)	4.7	270

Ring centre / Track slope (X)	[mm]	[ $\mu$ rad]
Mirror misalignment	0.9	50
Multiple scattering	1.4	110
geometry	2.2	260
Total (measured)	3.0	350

# Conclusions

- ❑ Precise mirror alignment procedure has been developed and implemented
- ❑ RICH performance has been measured using the electron sample
- ❑ Contributions to the resolutions have been investigated in detail
- ❑ Performance optimization has been discussed

Performance parameter	[mm]	[ $\mu$ rad]
Residual mirror misalignment	O(1)	O(30)
Ring radius	1.5	80
Ring centre / track slope (X)	3.0	170
Single hit (space)	4.7	270

Performance parameter	Value
Single hit (time), RMS	0.28 ns
$\langle N_{\text{hits}} \rangle$	13.8

# Thank you!

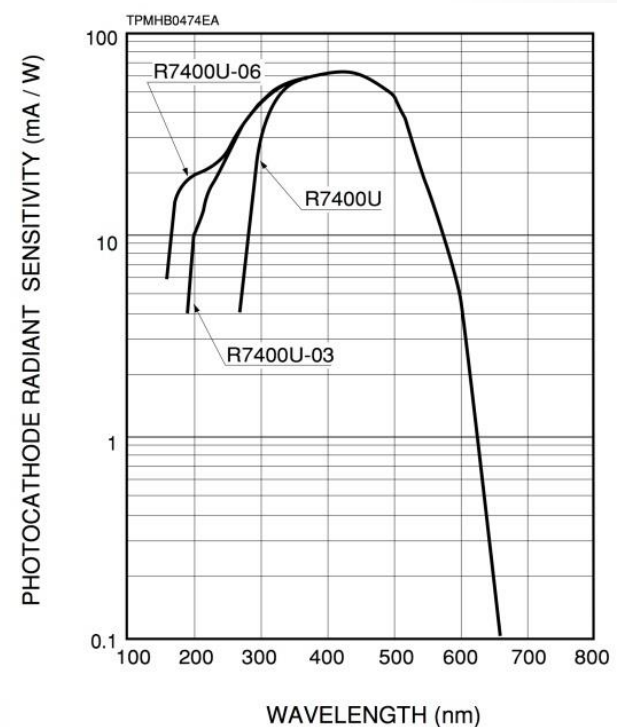


# Spare






# Light detection

## Hamamatsu R7400 U03 PMs:

- External diameter 16mm
- Active diameter 7.5 mm
- UV glass window
- Custom-made HV divider
- 185-650 nm sensitive range
- Peak sensitivity @ 420 nm
- Gain  $1.5 \times 10^6$  (HV = 900 V)
- QE ~20% (@ 420 nm)
- Transit time spread 0.28 ns (FWHM)



# $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$ : classical vs NA62 approach

	classical	NA62
NDF for $\sigma(R)$ determination	$N_{\text{hits}} - 1$ 	$N_{\text{hits}} - 3$
Spectrometer contribution to $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$	yes	no 
Track slope measurement	no	yes 
$\sigma_{\text{hit}}$ affected by the multiple scattering in the entrance window	yes	no 
Non-gaussian shape of the $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$ determination distribution	yes	no 

OK

: better performance



# Toy MC

## Toy MC salgorithm:

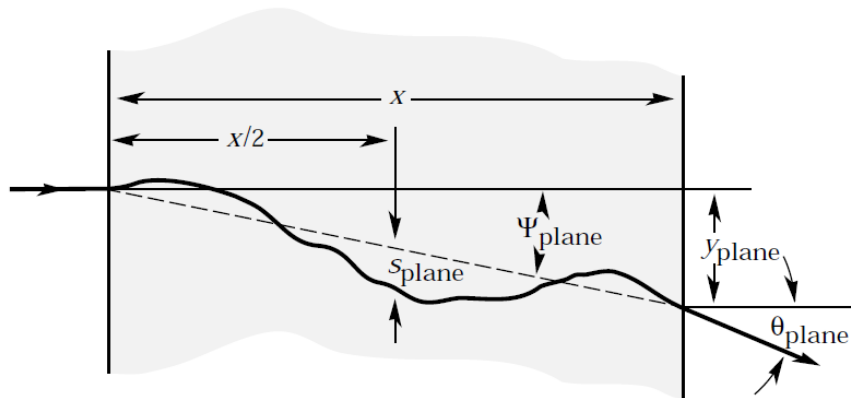
- Simulate an event
- Perform the standalone ring fit
- look at  $\sigma(R)$ ,  $\sigma(Dx/Dy)$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{hit}}$

quantity	Simulation recipe
P	$e^+$ spectrum known from data
$N_{\text{hits}}$	Poissonian p.d.f., $\langle N_{\text{hits}} \rangle$ tuned to have 13.8 at the final step
track angular uncertainty (Spectrometer)	Known from data
multiple scattering (RICH entrance)	Analytical calculation
multiple scattering (Ne)	Analytical calculation
Cone geometry	Size known, reflectivity ~95%

# Multiple scattering

$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{\beta c p} z \sqrt{x/X_0} \left[ 1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0) \right]$$

NB plane case (i.e. one coordinate: X or Y)



$$\theta_{\text{space}}^2 \approx (\theta_{\text{plane},x}^2 + \theta_{\text{plane},y}^2)$$

Figure 27.8: Quantities used to describe multiple Coulomb scattering. The particle is incident in the plane of the figure.

## Multiple scattering simulation:

- Calculate  $\theta_0$
- Generate  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$ : normally distributed with (0, 1)
- $\theta_X = \theta_0 \gamma_1$
- $\theta_Y = \theta_0 \gamma_2$
- PM (focal) plane:  $dX = \theta_X f$ ;  $dY = \theta_Y f$