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# FIRST CHARACTERIZATION OF SHORT-RANGE CORRELATIONS (SRC) IN AN EXOTIC NUCLEUS AT $R^3B$

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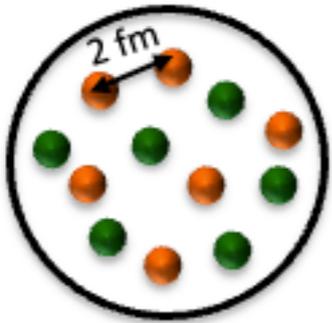
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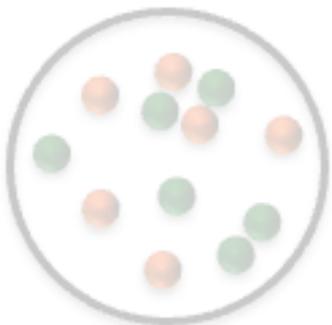


## INDEPENDENT PARTICLES



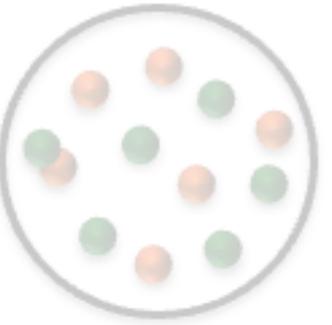
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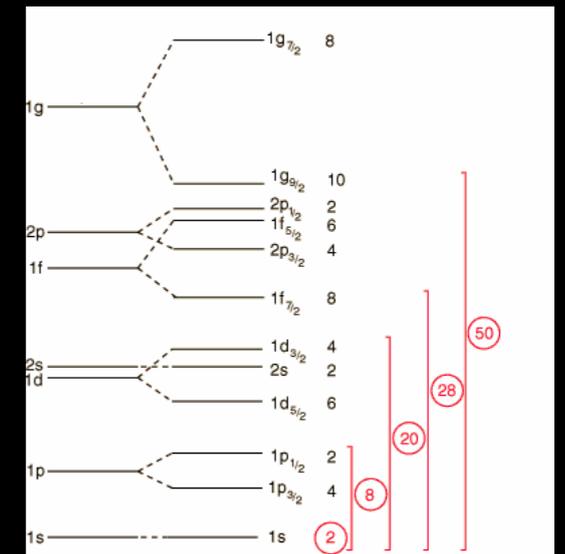
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## SHORT RANGE CORRELATIONS

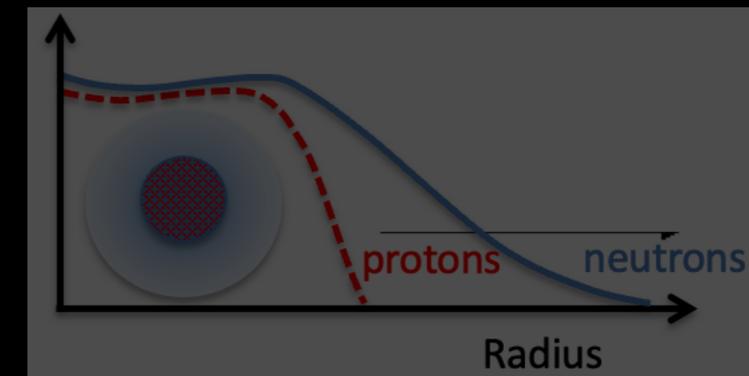


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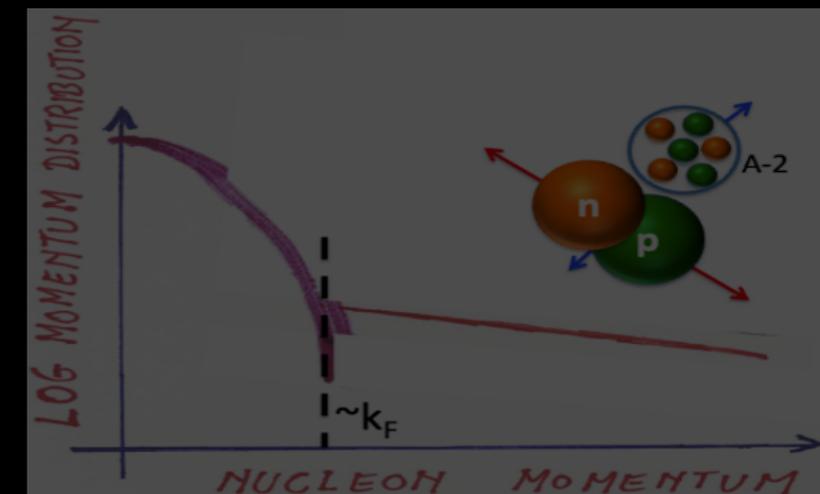
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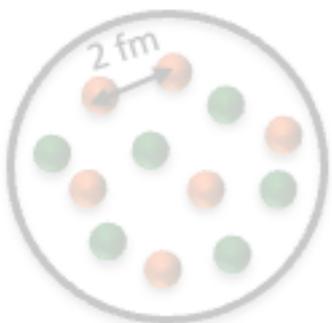
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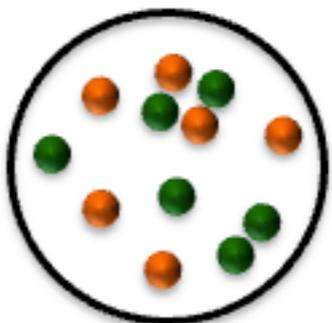


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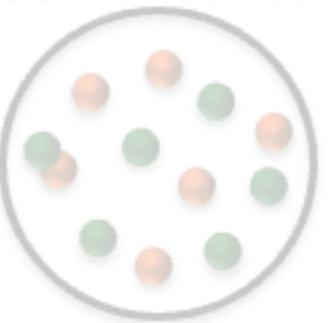
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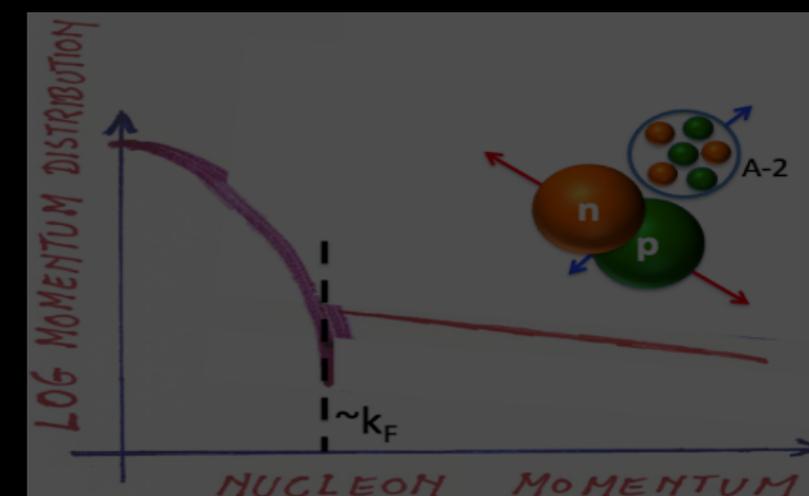
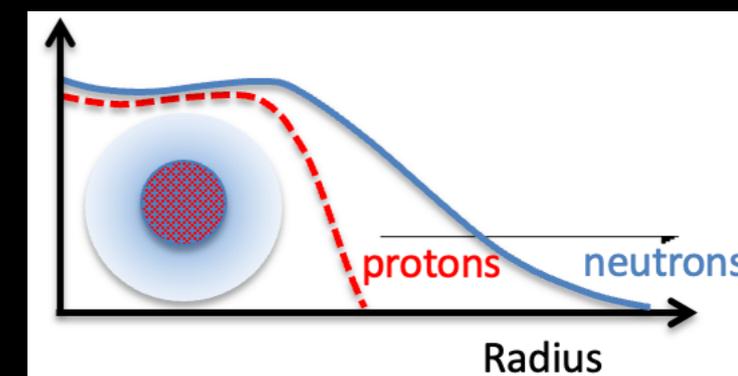
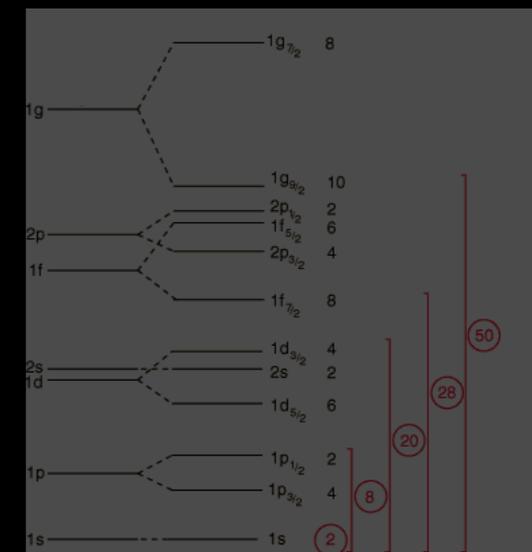


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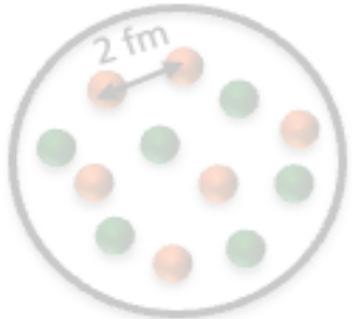
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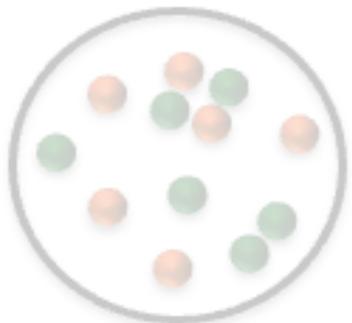


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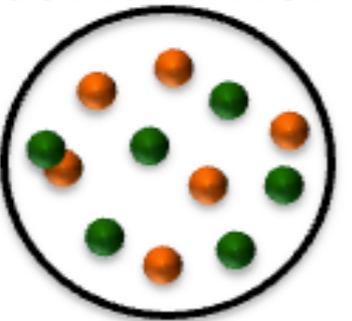
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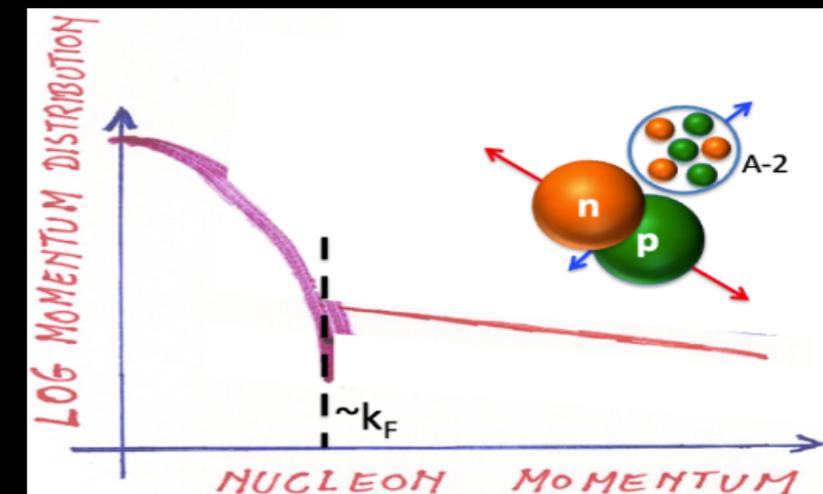
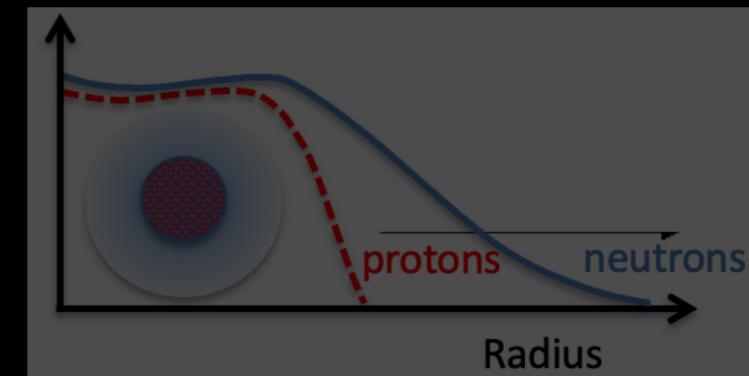
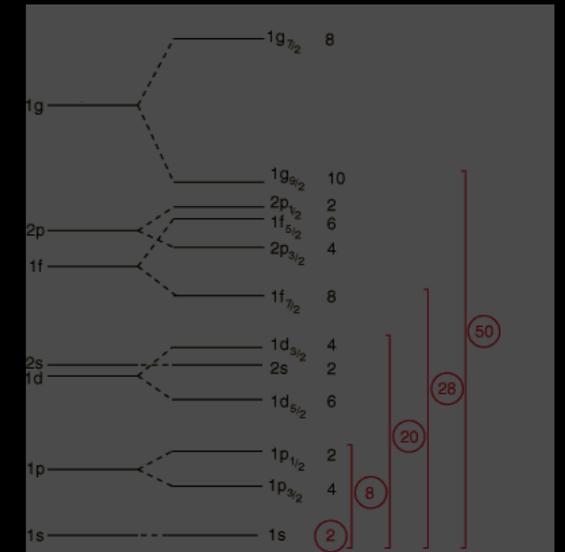


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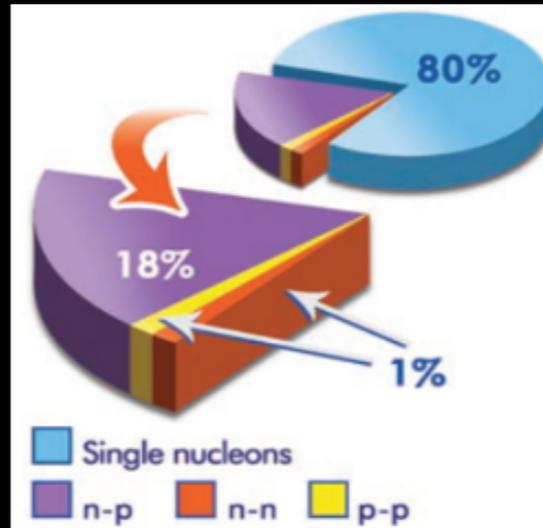
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### Electron scattering experiments:

- SRC are mainly **proton-neutron** (pn) pairs;
- **pp/pn** ratio does not change with  $A$ ;
- The fraction of high momentum protons **increase** with  $N/Z$ .



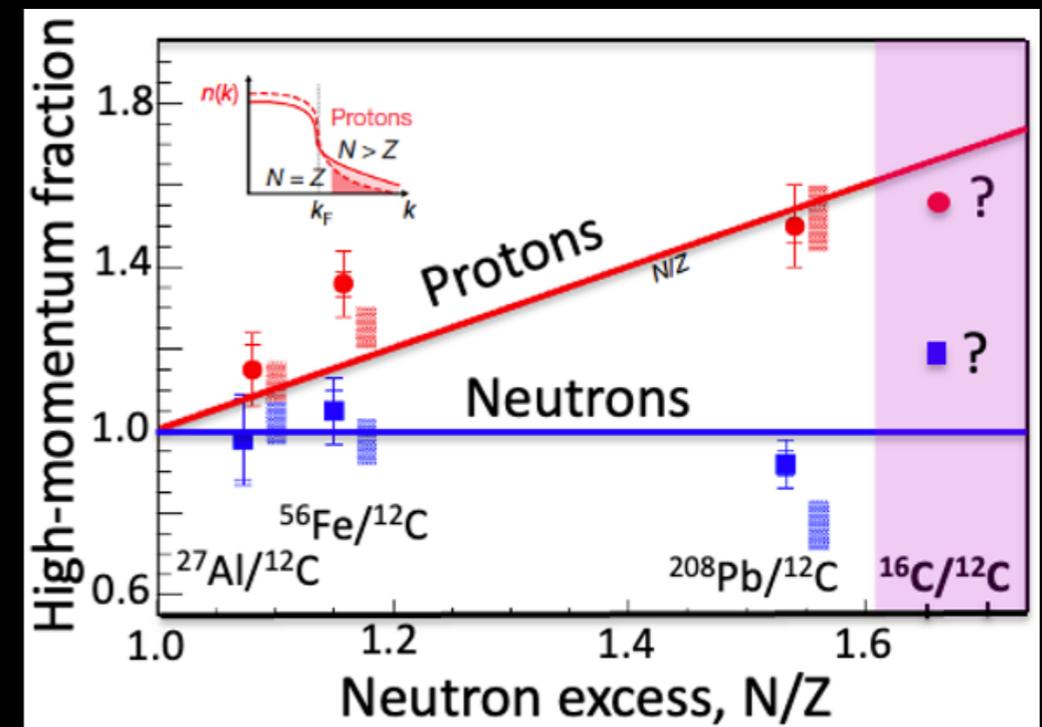
O. Hen et al. (CLAS Collaboration), *Science*, 346 (6209):614, 2014.

### Proton scattering experiments:

- JINR experiment (2018);
- **$R^3B$  Experiment (May 2022)**;
  - Probe SRC in an isotopic chain.

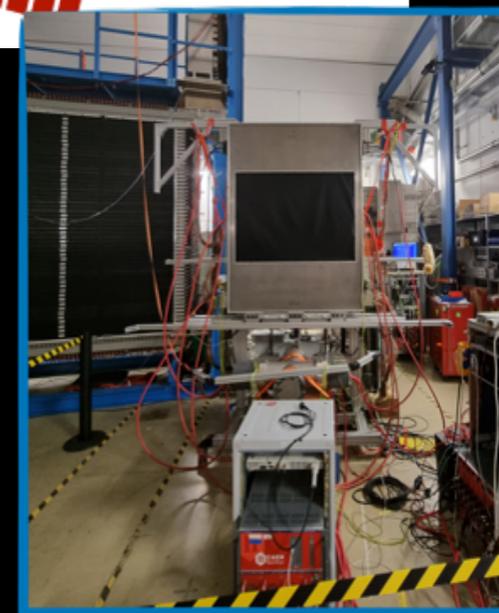
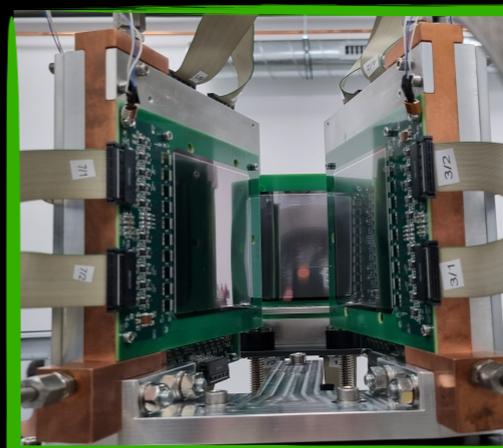
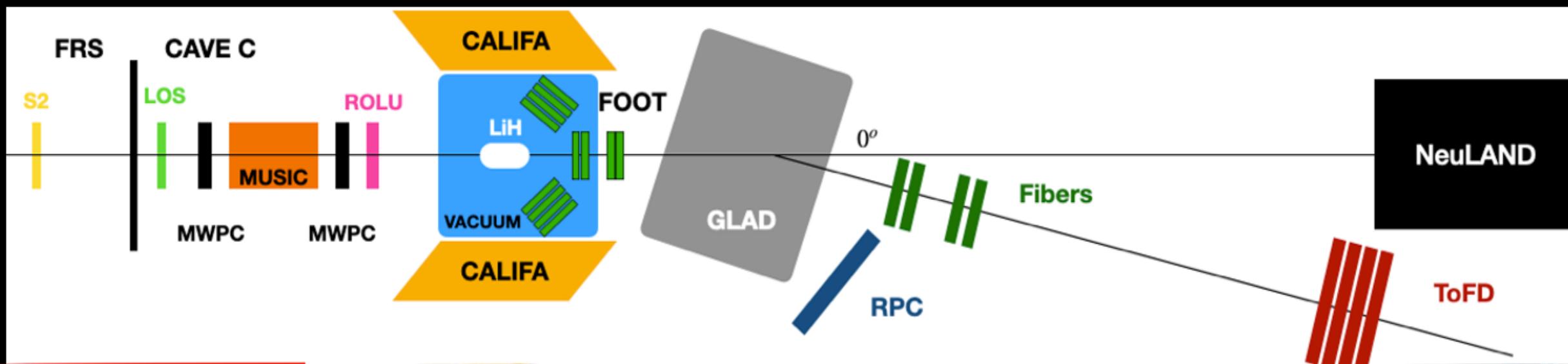
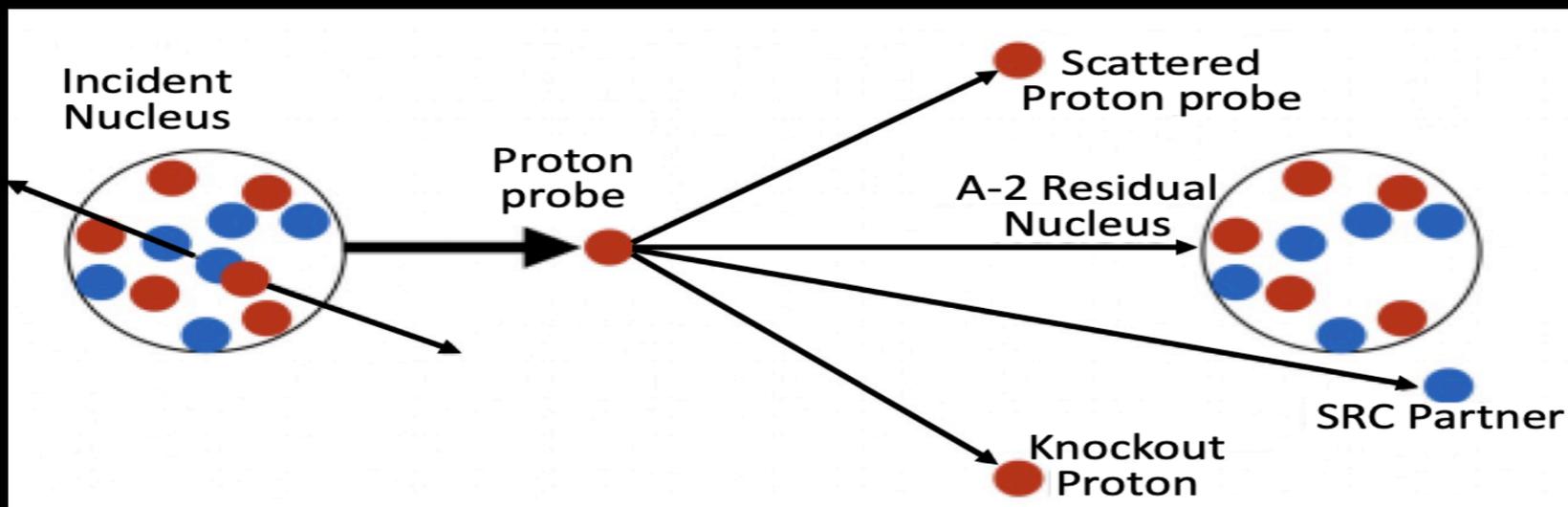
### GOALS:

- Determine SRC properties (pair ratio, relative and pair center-of-mass momentum) in an exotic nucleus for the first time;
- **The analysis of  $^{16}\text{C}$  will add a new measurement at  $N/Z = 1.67$ , above the largest available  $N/Z$  and at a much smaller mass.**



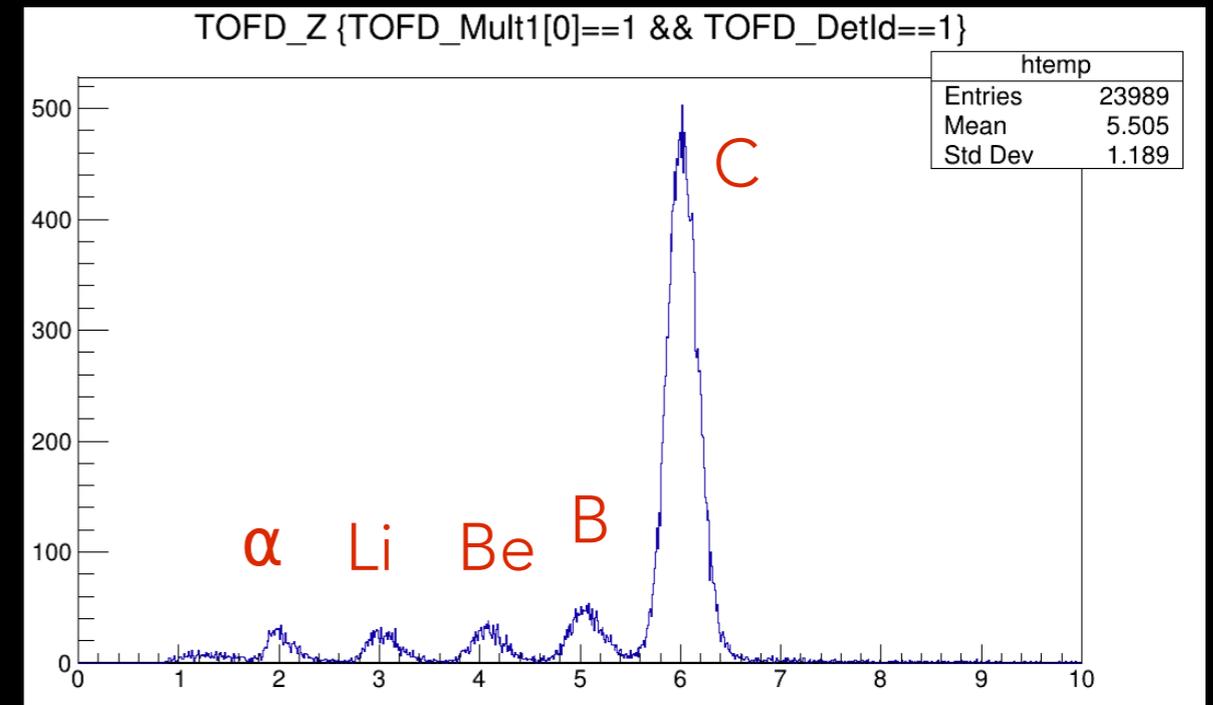
Adapted from M. Duer et al. (CLAS Collaboration), *Nature*, 560:617, 2018.

# $R^3B$ EXPERIMENTAL SET UP



TOFD:

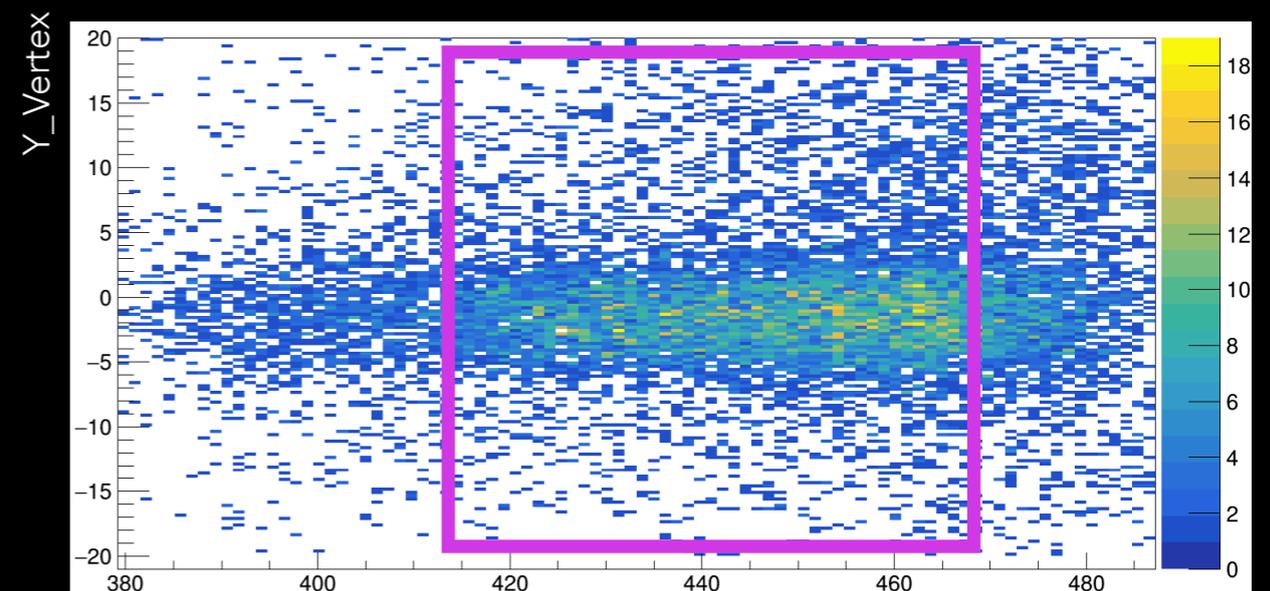
- Prepared and tested the detector for the experiment;
- Charge **calibration** of the detector;



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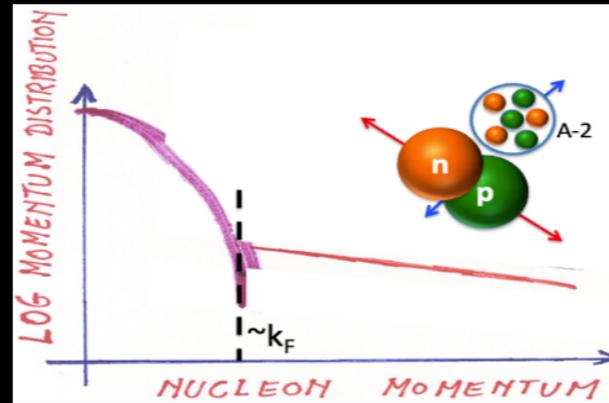
FOOT:

- Tested the electronics at CEA-Saclay (Jan-Feb 2022);
- Tested the detector for the experiment at GSI;
- Energy calibration and protons tracking;
- **Vertex** reconstruction.

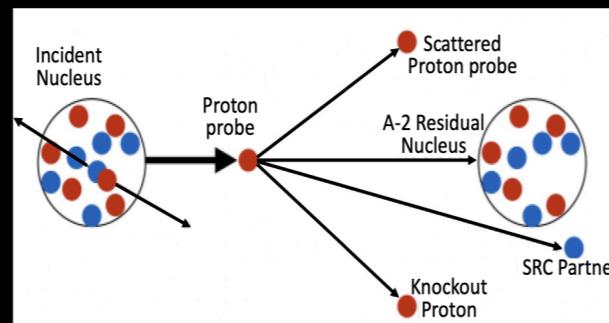


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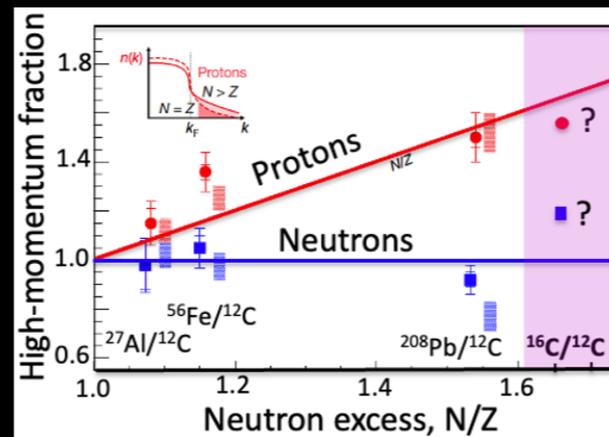
- Nucleon pairs that are close together in the nucleus;
- High relative momentum and low centre of mass (c.m.) momentum.



- Proton scattering in inverse kinematics;

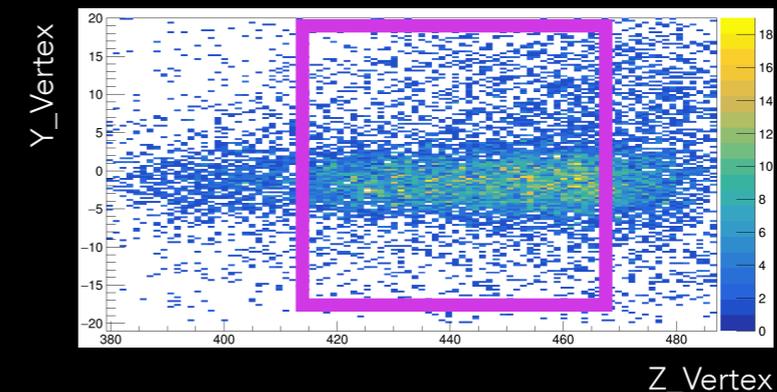
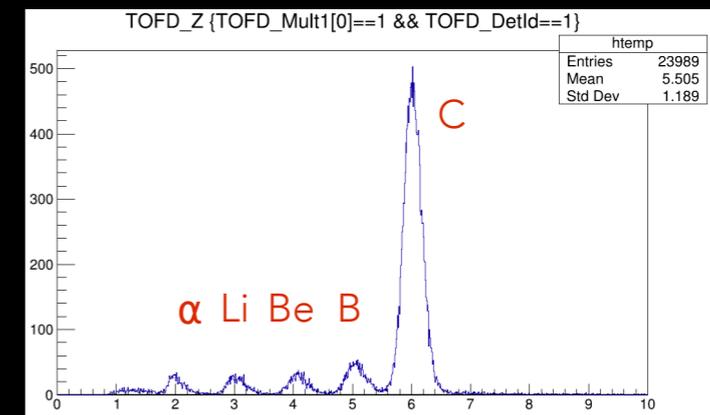


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### Analysis:

- TOFD charge calibration;
- FOOT protons tracking and vertex reconstruction.



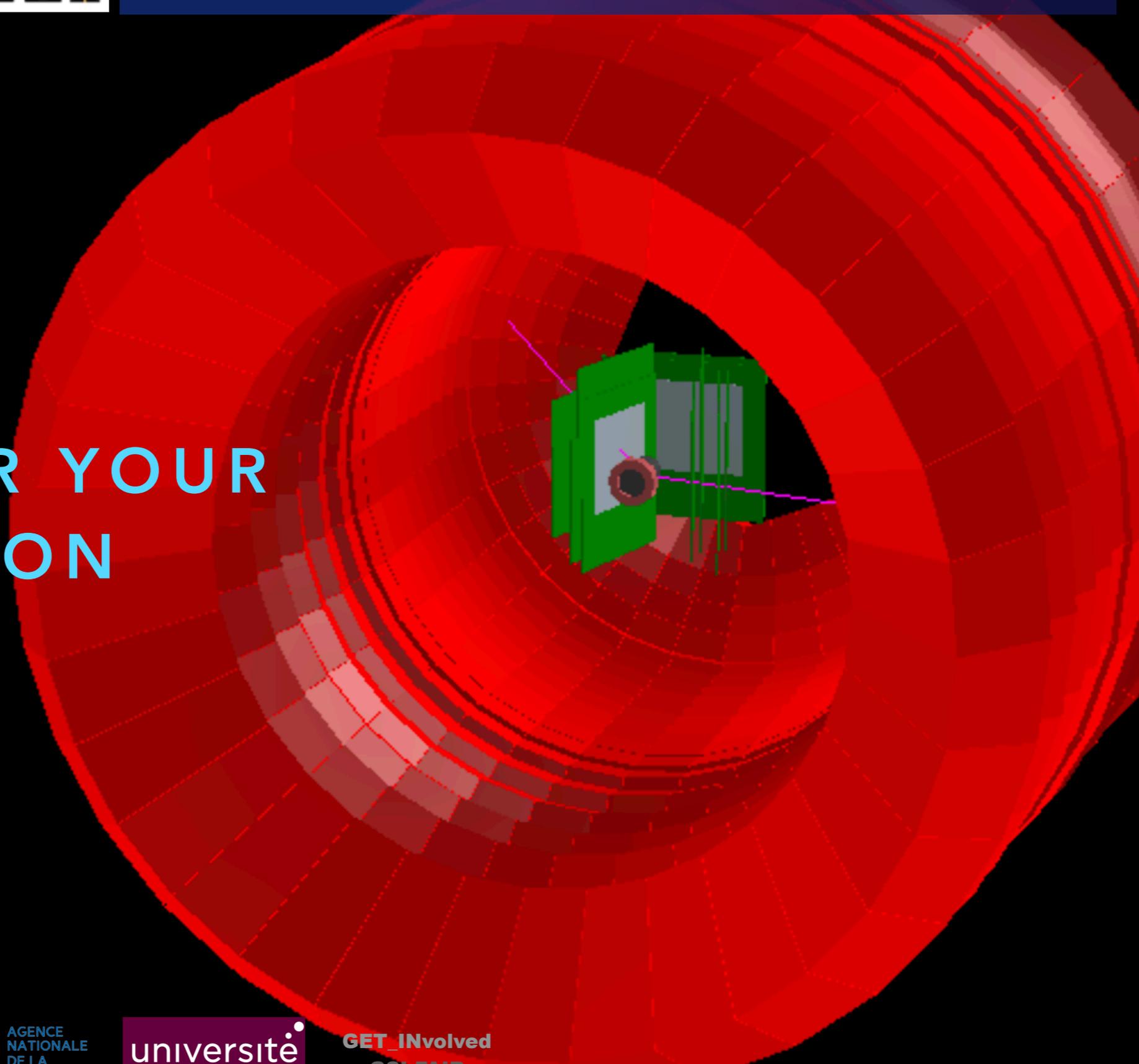
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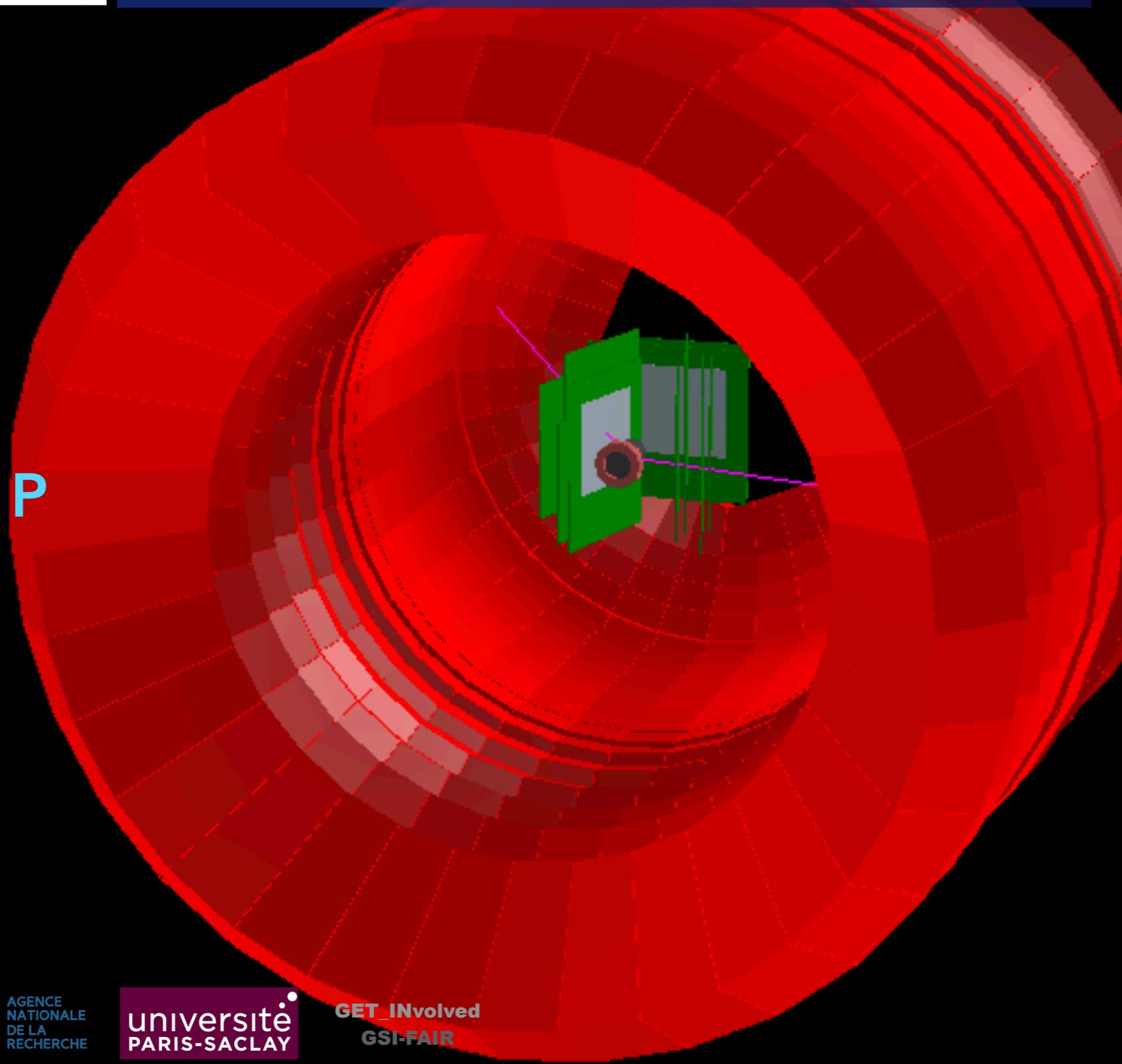


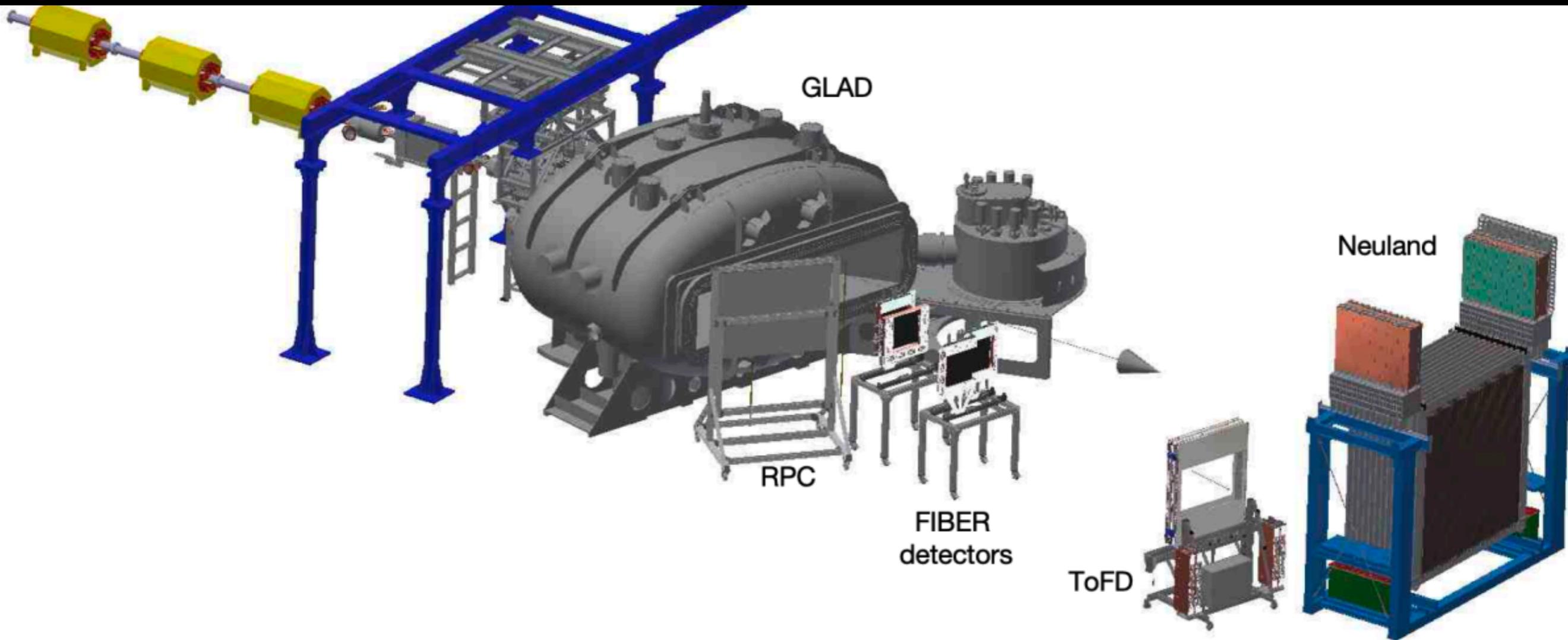
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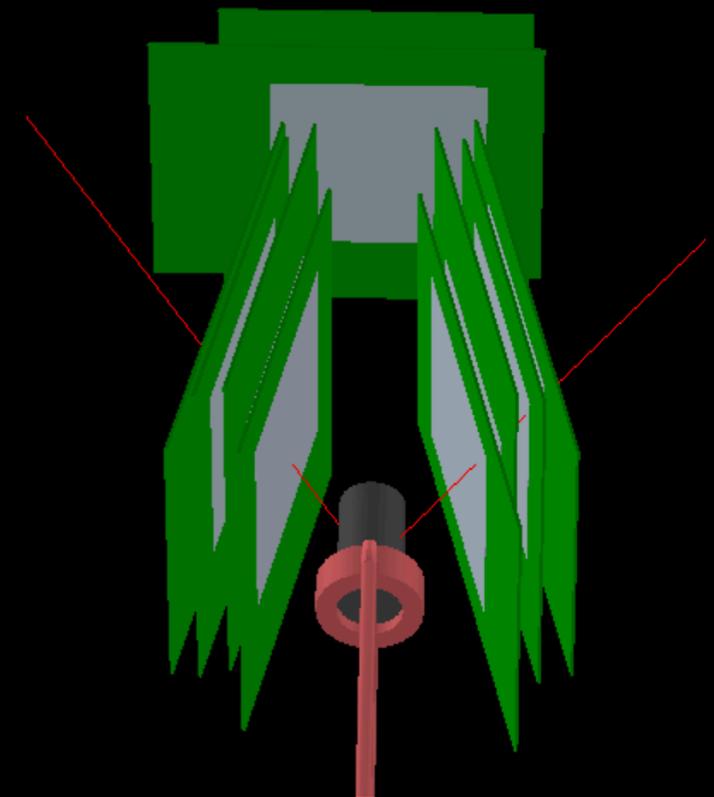
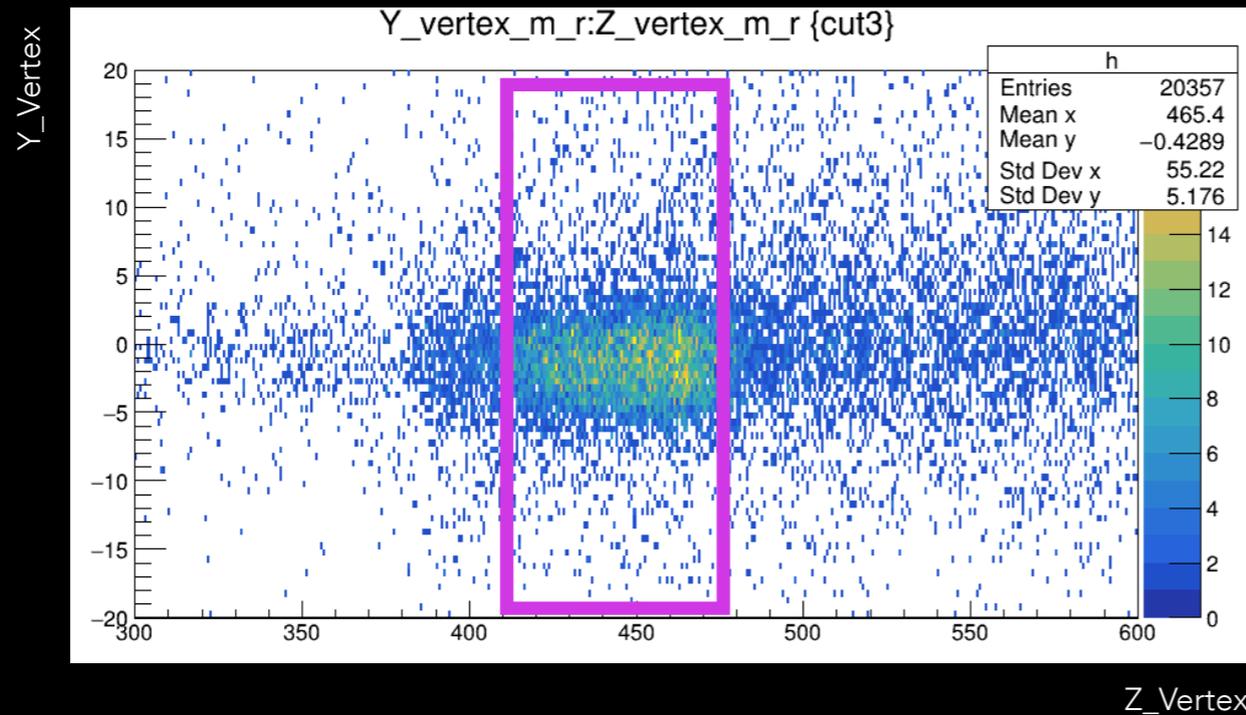
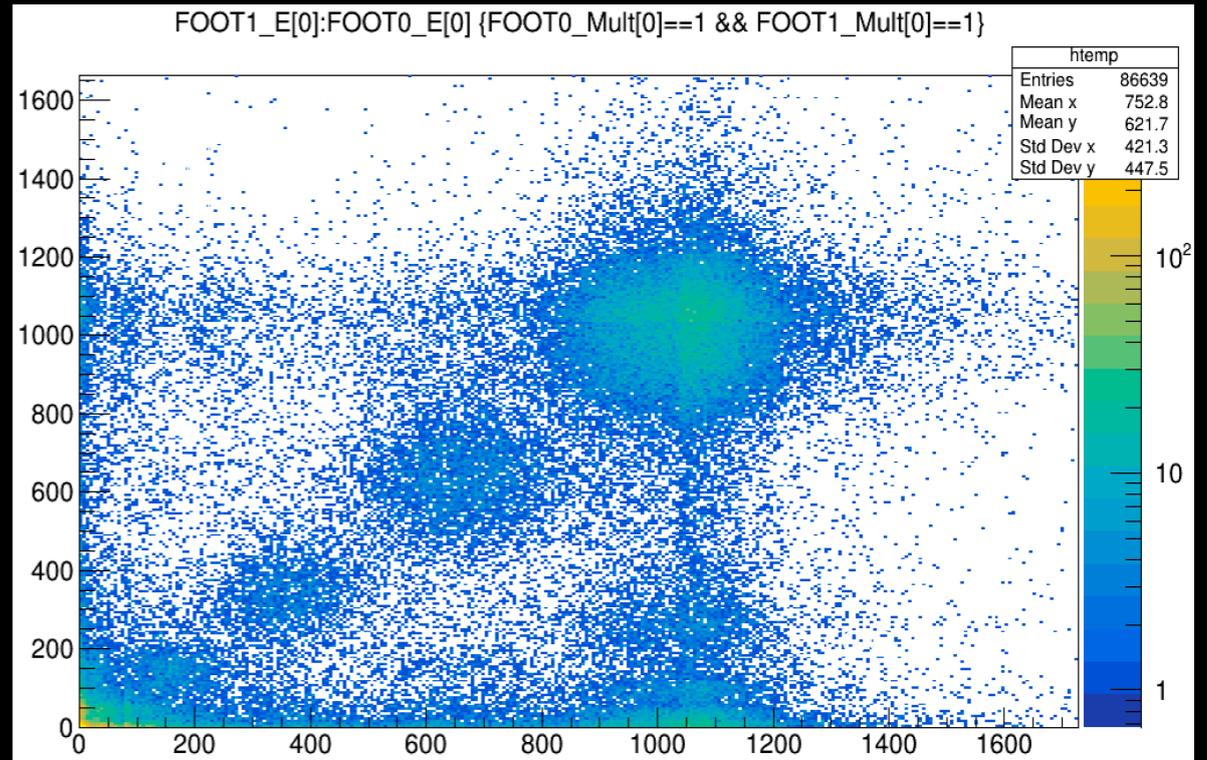


## Target tracking FOOT:

- **Position correlations** with incoming detectors (MWPCs);
- **Energy calibration and energy correlation;**

## Vertex reconstruction:

- Minimum distance between all possible combinations of FOOT tracks from the left arm and right arm;



## Target tracking CALIFA:

- Calibration of the crystals with  $^{22}\text{Na}$  source;
- Selection of the **(p,2p)** events;
- **Opening angle** between two protons.

