

## The Giessen Cosmic Station

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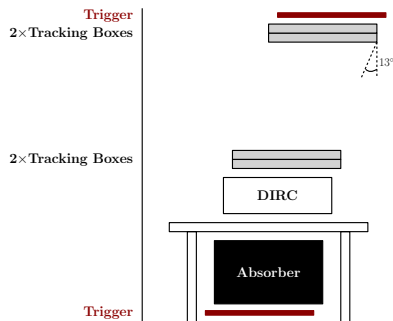
## Track Reconstruction

- ▶ Track reconstruction via position measurement in two planes

## Components

The test stand consists of

- ▶ Two scintillating plates defining a trigger
- ▶ Four layers of scintillating bars (track reconstruction)
- ▶ About 45 cm of lead in between the trigger plates (energy selection)



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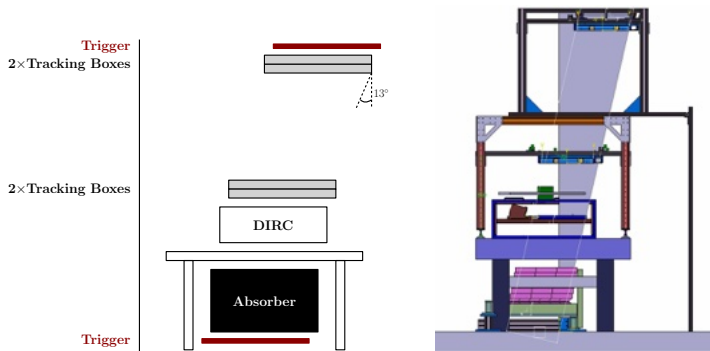


Figure: Schematic overview and CAD drawing.

# Tracking Boxes

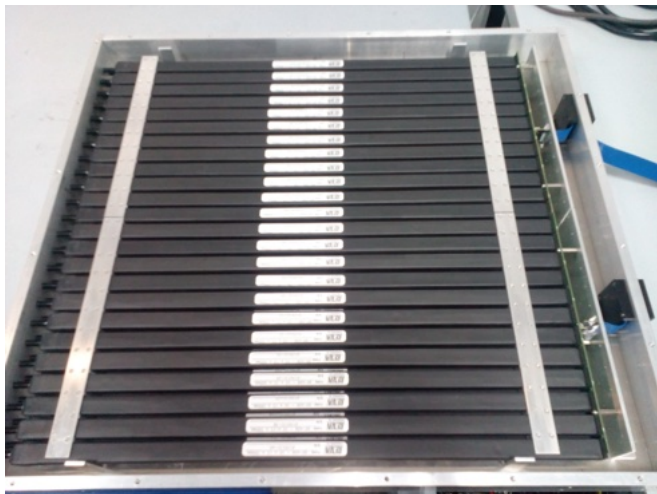
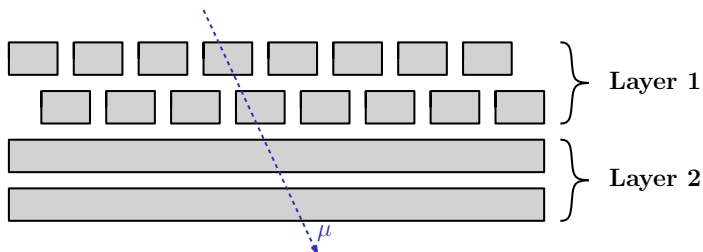


Figure: One of the tracking boxes without lid.

# Tracking Boxes

## Geometry of the bars

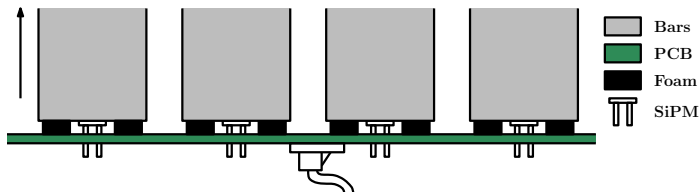
- ▶ 48 bars ( $15 \times 10 \times 500$  mm) in two half-layers shifted against each other
- ▶ Second layer rotated by  $90^\circ$  for position resolution along the other axis
- ▶ Every layer in a separate light-proof box



# Tracking Boxes

## Readout of the bars

- ▶ Readout via one SiPM at the top of each bar
- ▶ 24 SiPMs are grouped together on one PCB
- ▶ Passing the signals to the readout system via micro-coaxial-cables
- ▶ Shielding of reflected light via foam





# Trigger Plates

## Trigger plates

- ▶  $50 \times 50$  cm<sup>2</sup> homogeneous scintillating plate with cut off corners
- ▶ Readout via four PMTs in each of the corners

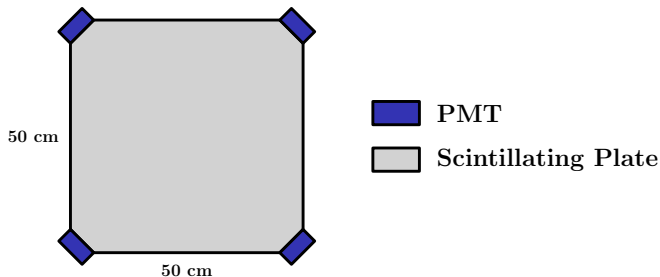


Figure: Schematic drawing of one of trigger plates.

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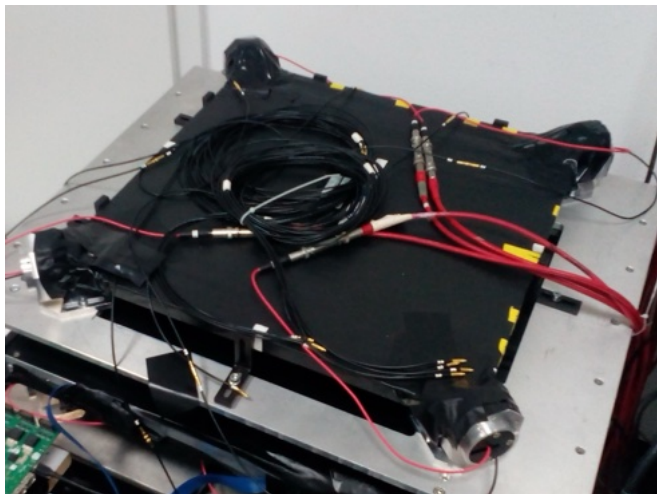
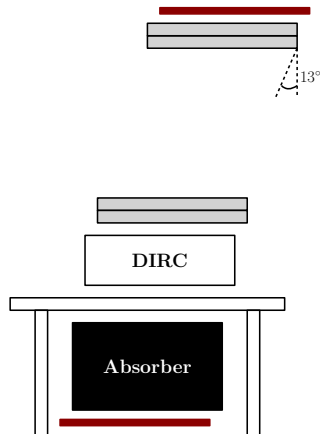


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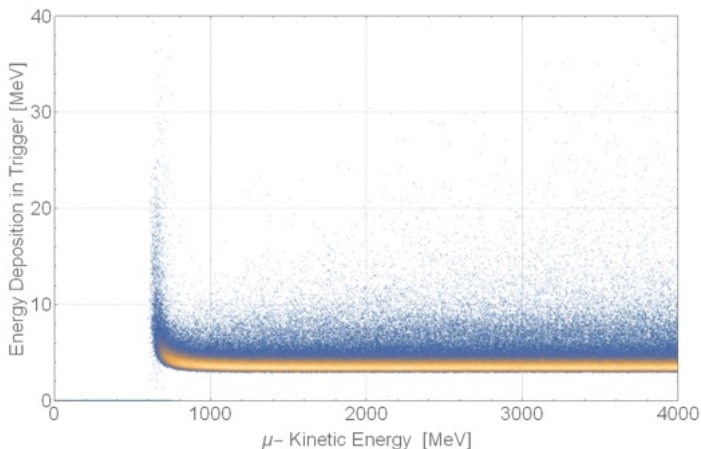
# Absorber

## Role of the absorber

- ▶ Flight distance in combination with timing resolution insufficient for momentum selection
- ▶ Instead energy discrimination via absorption in 45 cm lead

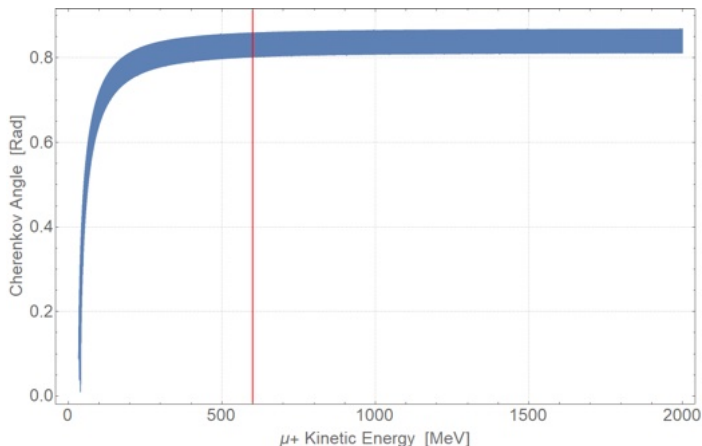


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**Figure:** Energy deposition in trigger plate after passing through 45 cm of lead (Monte-Carlo simulation).

# Absorber



**Figure:** Cherenkov angle range in fused silica over muon kinetic energy (**blue**) and 600 MeV cutoff energy (**red**).

Wavelength cut:  $200 \text{ nm} < \lambda < 800 \text{ nm}$  // Sensor acceptance and emission probability not included.

# Finger Counters

## Detector to test ...

- ▶ Cross of two small scintillating bars
- ▶ Readout via PMTs
- ▶ Overlapping area of approx.  $1,8 \times 1,8$  cm

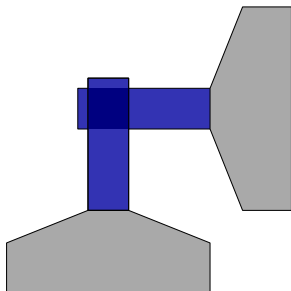


Figure: Schematic drawing of the finger counters.

# Finger Counters



Figure: Overview and detailed image of the finger counters.

# Readout and Slow Control

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- ▶ All 202 channels readout with the same ASIC-based system (TOFPET 2)
- ▶ Trigger and finger signals are inverted
- ▶ Off-line analysis and event selection

## Additional monitoring of ...

- ▶ ASIC temperature
- ▶ Inverter current and HV channels
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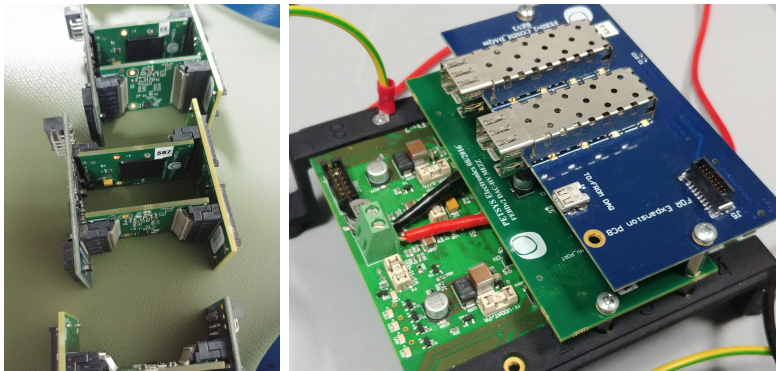
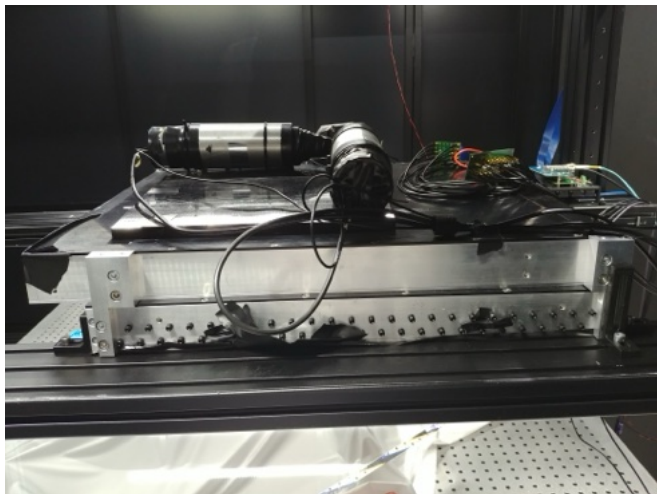


Figure: TOPFET frontend modules with two ASICs each (**left**) and intermediate "D-Board" (**right**).

## All components together



**Figure:** Tracking box, finger counters and read out electronics.

## Measurement - Run 1

- ▶ Running nonstop for approx. 64 days
- ▶ Acquisition performed in 30 minute runs (2922 in total)
- ▶ A total of approx.  $6.7 \cdot 10^6$  events with "clean" tracking information collected ( $600 \cdot 10^3$  trigger hits)

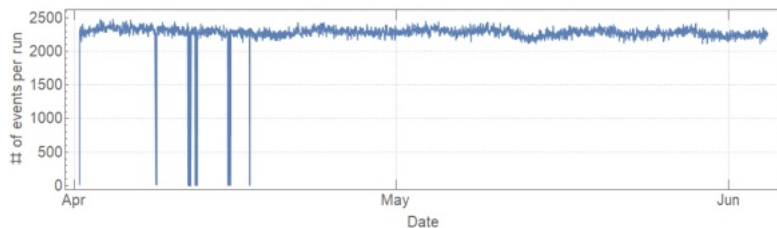
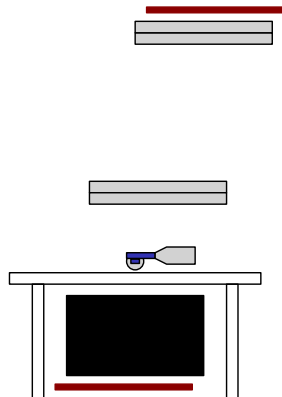


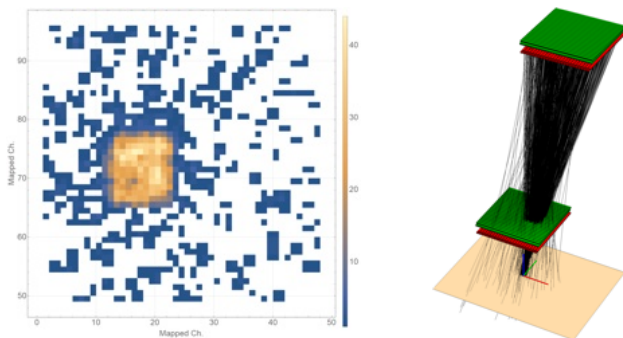
Figure: Number of "clean" tracking events per run.

## Test setup

- ▶ Finger counters instead of prototype
- ▶ Counters placed directly on the table
- ▶ Find tracks in coincidences with the counters

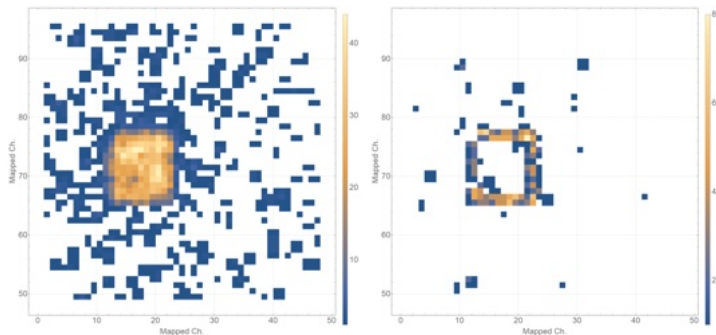


# Reconstruction - Finger Counters



**Figure:** 2D-Histogram of the coordinate combinations  $(X_{bot}, Y_{bot})$  for events in coincidence with the finger counters and the top tracking ensemble (**left**) and a 3D Visualisation of the tracks (**right**).

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**Figure:** 2D-Histogram of the coordinate combinations ( $X_{bot}$ ,  $Y_{bot}$ ) for events in coincidence with the finger counters and all bars of the top tracking ensemble (**left**) and only a selected "frame" (**right**).

# Reconstruction - Spatial Acceptance

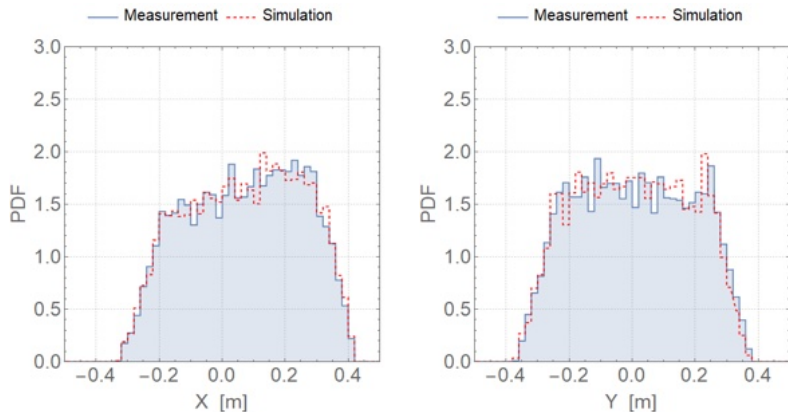


Figure: Spatial acceptance without trigger.

Simulation: Geant4 [1] with CRY [2] event generator.

[1] S. Agostinelli et al. (2007). Geant4—a simulation toolkit. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A.

[2] Hagemann, Chris & Lange, David & Wright, Douglas. (2007). Cosmic-ray shower generator (CRY) for Monte Carlo transport codes. IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium.



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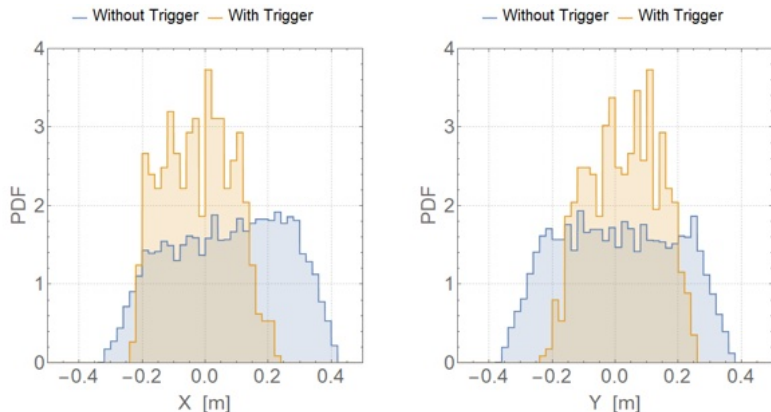


Figure: Spatial acceptance with and without trigger.

# Reconstruction - Angular Acceptance

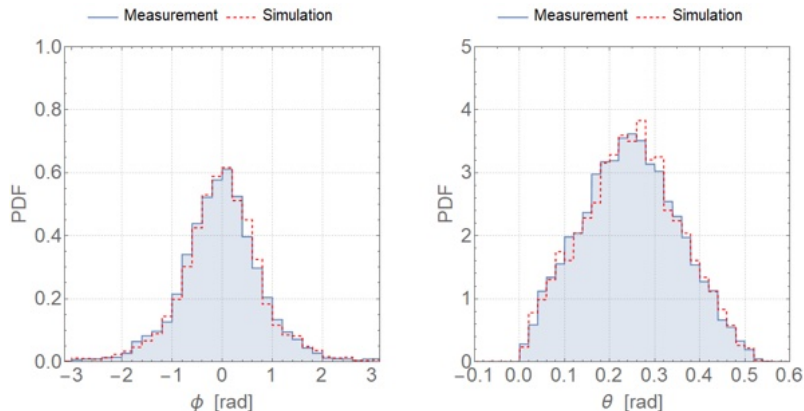


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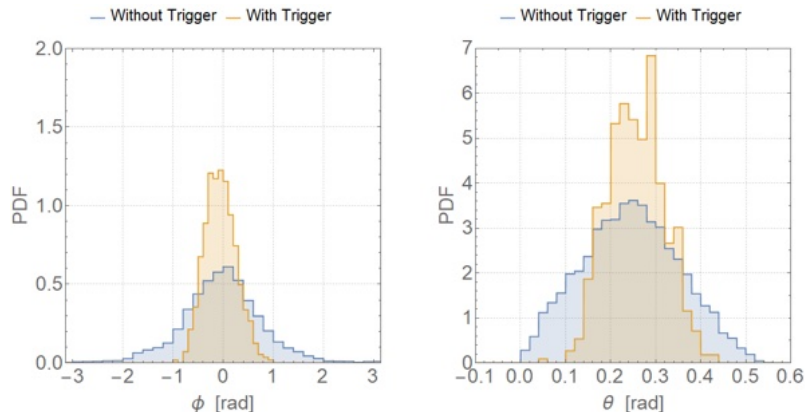


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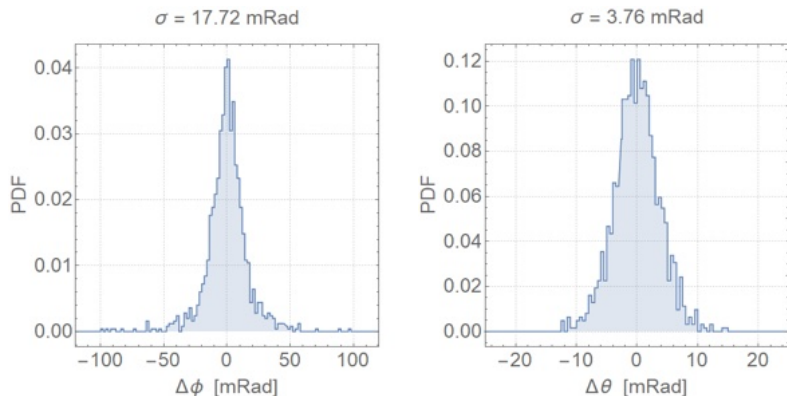


Figure: Expected angular resolution (Monte-Carlo-Estimate).

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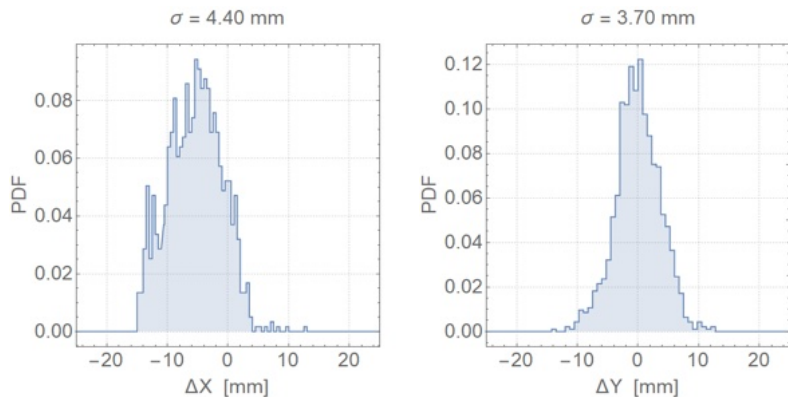


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# Reconstruction - Resolution Verification

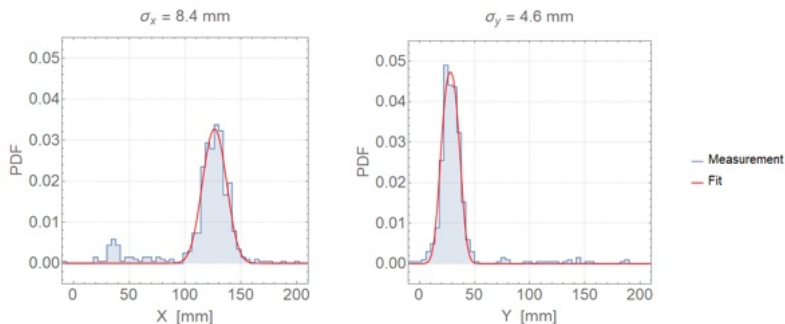


Figure: Fit of the finger hits with a convoluted normal distribution.

# Event Rate

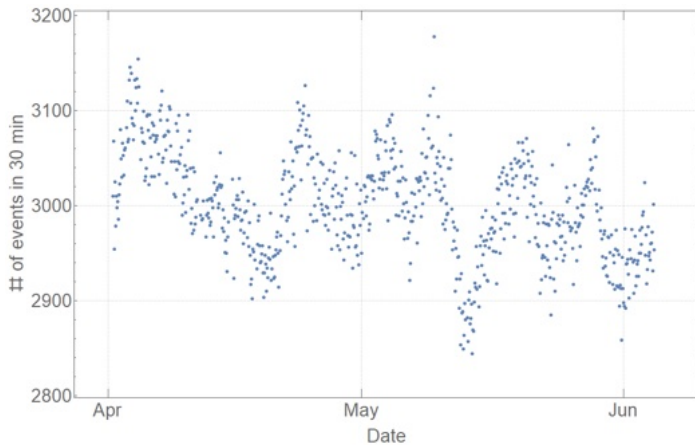
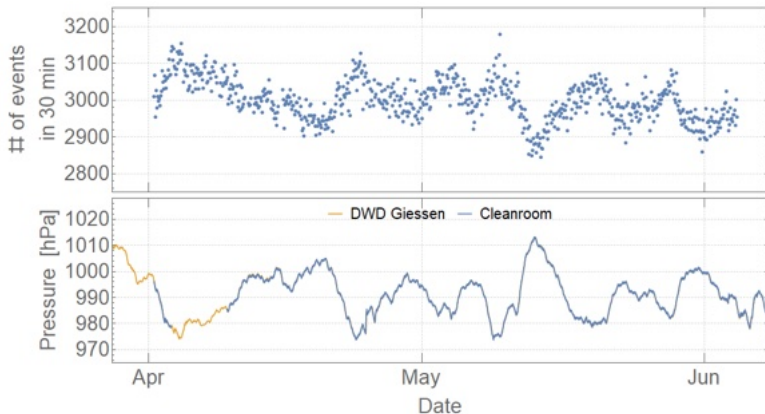


Figure: Number of events in 30 minutes averaged over 4 runs.

# Event Rate - Pressure Correlation

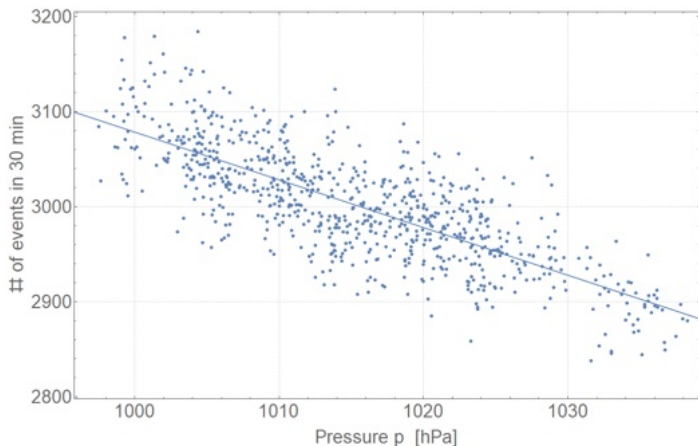


**Figure:** Comparison of rate and ambient pressure - local data (blue) and data provided by german weather service (orange).

Data for station 01639 (Gießen) provided by "Deutscher Wetterdienst" (Open data server). Last accessed 25.06.2019.  
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**Figure:** Scatter plot with fit of the ambient pressure versus the number of events in 30 minutes.  $(8096 - 5.018 \frac{1}{\text{hPa}} \cdot p)$

## Angular acceptance

$\theta$	0.1 ... 0.4	rad
$\phi$	-1.0 ... 1.0	rad

## Angular resolution

$\theta$	3.8	mrad
$\phi$	17.7	mrad

## Spatial acceptance

$x$	-25 ... 25	cm
$y$	-25 ... 25	cm

## Spatial resolution

$x$	4.4	mm
$y$	3.7	mm

## Event rate, trigger and timing

- ▶  $\sim 2400$  "clean" events in 30 minutes (10% with trigger)
- ▶  $\sim 600$  MeV muon kinetic energy threshold
- ▶  $\sim 500$  ps global time difference resolution

## New Radiator Plate

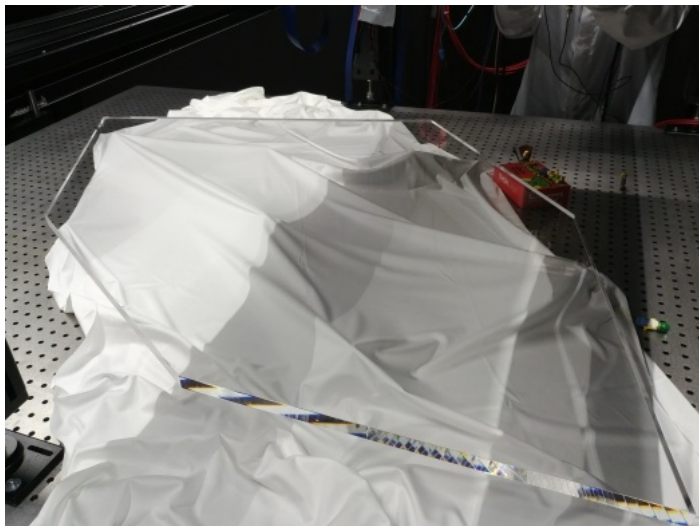


Figure: The new radiator plate.

# Conclusion

## Summary

- ▶ Data acquisition and reconstruction working
- ▶ Successful operated for several months
- ▶ Tracking is stable

## Current status

- ▶ Tests with the new radiator plate planned

Thank you for your attention!

# Multiplicity Distribution

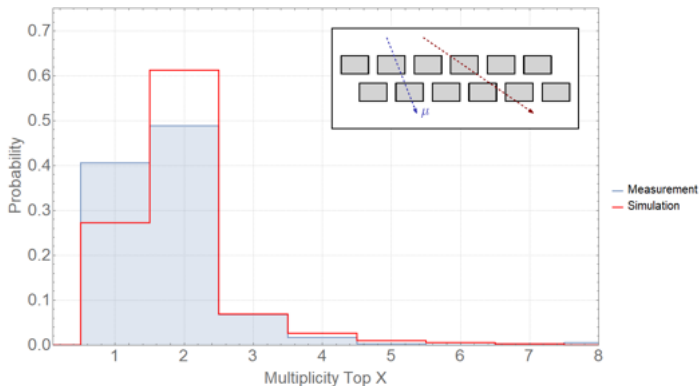


Figure: Multiplicity distribution for top x-coordinate tracking layer (Measurement and simulation).