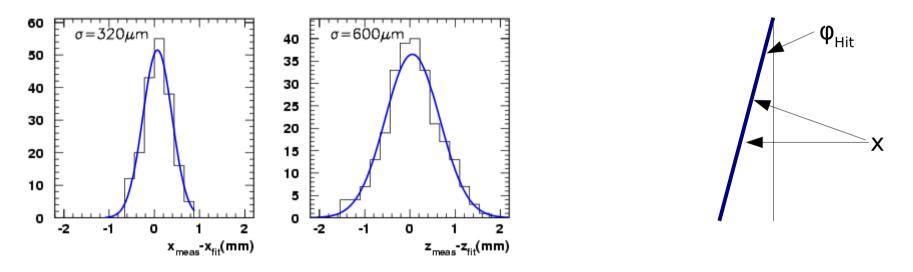
Resolution

- How is the point resolution defined?
- The Hits are distributed following a Gaussian distribution around the particle trajectory, so $x_{Hit} x_{Track}$ (resp. $z_{Hit} z_{Track}$) follows a Gaussian distribution

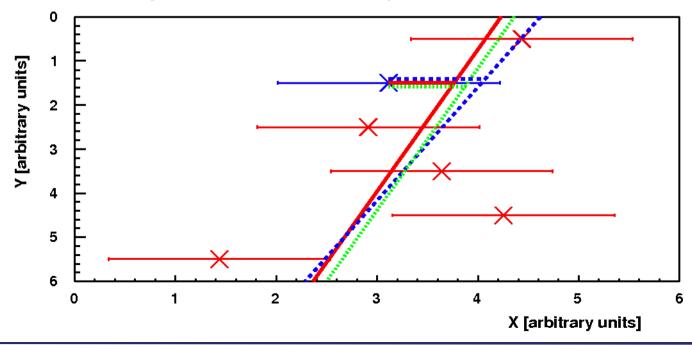


to be correct: this is true for track parallel to the Y axis, else the minimal distance has to be calculated using the track angle: $\Delta x_{corrected} = \Delta x \cos(\varphi_{hit})$, with $\varphi_{hit} = \sin^{-1}(\sin(\varphi_0) - y_{hit} \cdot C)$

• The width σ of this distribution is the point resolution

Resolution Calculation

- Often the true trajectory (green) is not known, but only the reconstructed track position. How to determine the resolution?
- The use of the "Geometric Mean Method" solves this problem:
- Distance: Δx_{Hit} when the Hit in question is included in the track fit smaller than true distance, since the Hit "pulls" the track towards its position (red)
- Residual: Δx_{Hit} when the Hit in question is **not** included in the track fit larger than the true distance, since other Hits "pull" the track away from the Hit in question (blue)



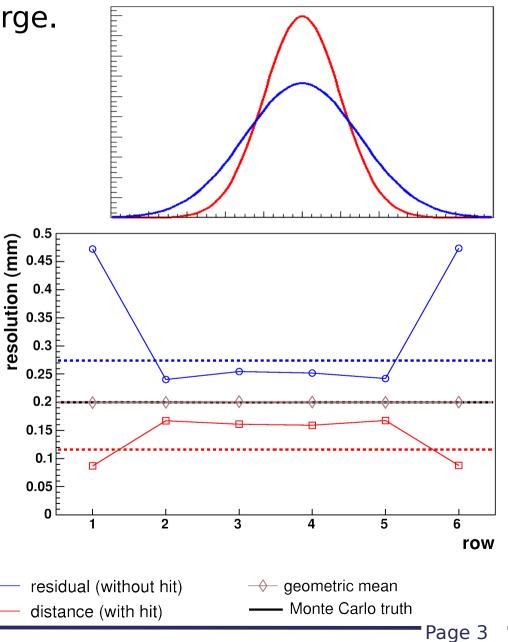
Resolution Calculation

- Both the distance and the residual are Gaussian distributed. The width of the distance distribution is too narrow, the width of the residual distribution is too large.
- But the geometric mean of the widths of both distributions:

 $\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{distance}} \cdot \sigma_{residual}$

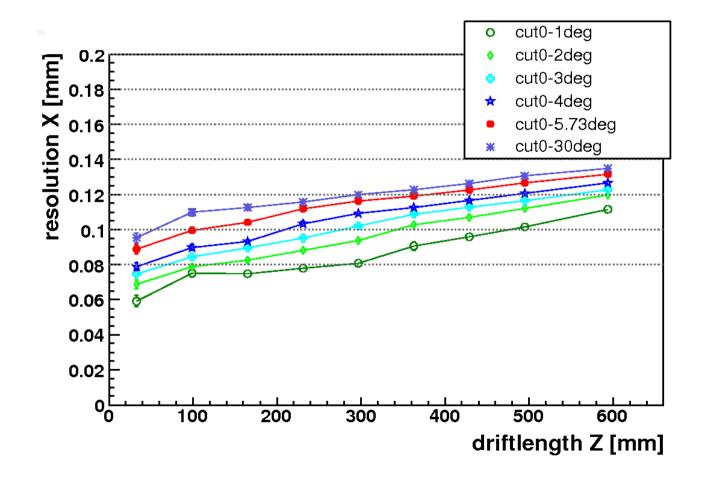
gives the right value as if the true trajectory would be known

- This has been proven for straight tracks analytically: R. K. Carnegie et al., "Resolution studies of cosmic-ray tracks in a TPC with GEM readout", Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A538, 372-383 (2005), physics/0402054.
- For curved tracks, a Monte Carlo Study has been done:



Resolution Agreement

- To allow a comparison of the resolution results of different working groups, an agreement has been made:
- Resolution is calculated using the Geometric Mean Method
- Angle Cut: $\varphi < 0.1$ rad (this is about 5.73°)

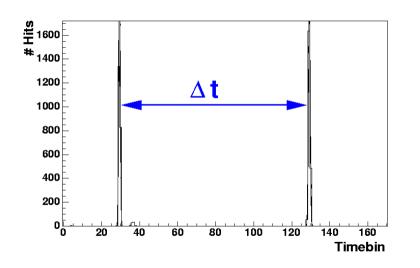


Drift Velocity

- The drift velocity can be simulated with Magboltz for a given gas mixture and field
- Difficulties:
- Pollutions (H_20) of the chamber gas change the drift velocity. They can be measured, but a system is not always available
- So it is better to measure the drift velocity

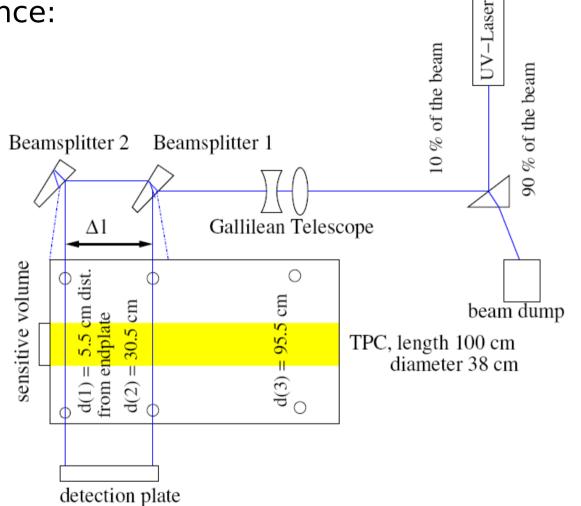
Drift Velocity

- Use two laser beams perpendicular to the drift path with defined distance:
 Δz laser beams
- Measure the time Δt_{laser beams} between the arrival of the signals on the pad plane:



• Then the drift velocity is:

$$v_{Drift} = \frac{\Delta z_{laser beams}}{\Delta t_{laser beams}}$$

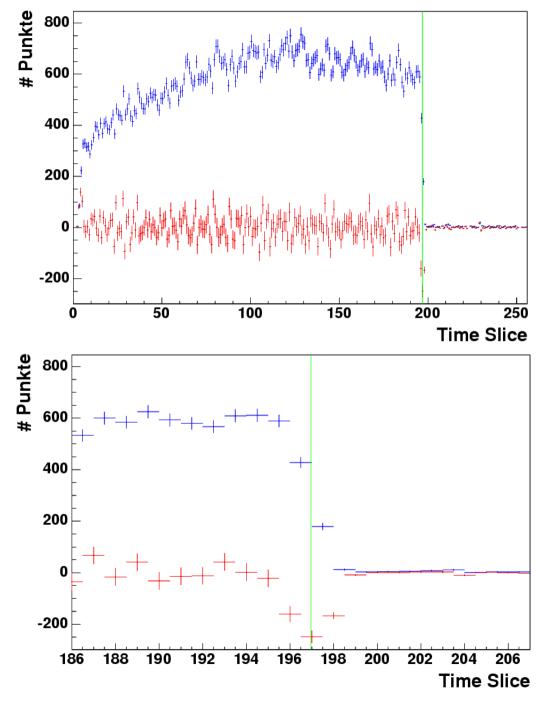


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Drift Velocity

- Get the drift velocity from a measured data set
- Plot the time slices of all Hits (that belong to tracks: to filter out noise)
- Search for the edge in Z (time slices) and calculate t_{max} from this value
- The length z_{chambermax} of the chamber is known
- Driftvelocity:

$$V_{Drift} = \frac{Z_{chambermax}}{t_{max}}$$



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