

# OFFLINE DATA PROCESSING OF MRPC END CAP TOF@BESIII

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# Outline

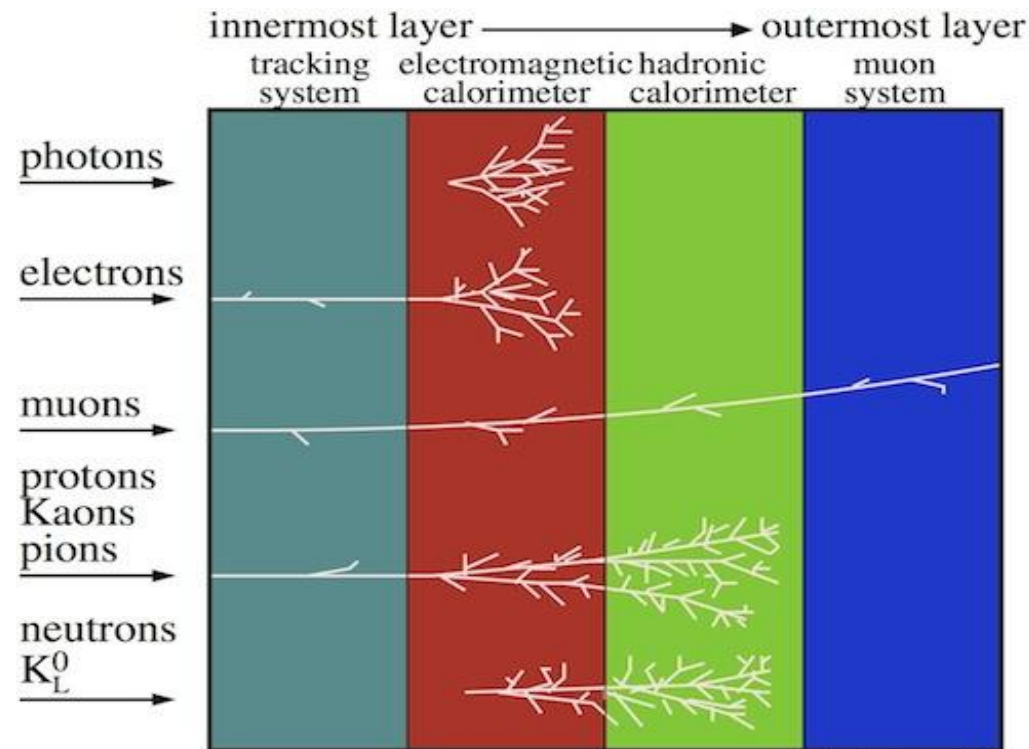
- Particle Identification (PID)
- Time-of-Flight Detector (TOF)
- Multi-gap Resistive Plate Chamber (MRPC)
- BESIII Endcap TOF system
  - Reconstruction
  - Calibration
- Summary

# Detector Design

- A “traditional ” Detector
  - Vetex system
  - Tracking system
  - Particle identification
  - EM calorimeter
  - Hadron calorimeter
  - Muon system
- Particle identification is a crucial aspect.

$$r, e, \mu, \pi, K, p$$

$$(\vec{p}, E)$$

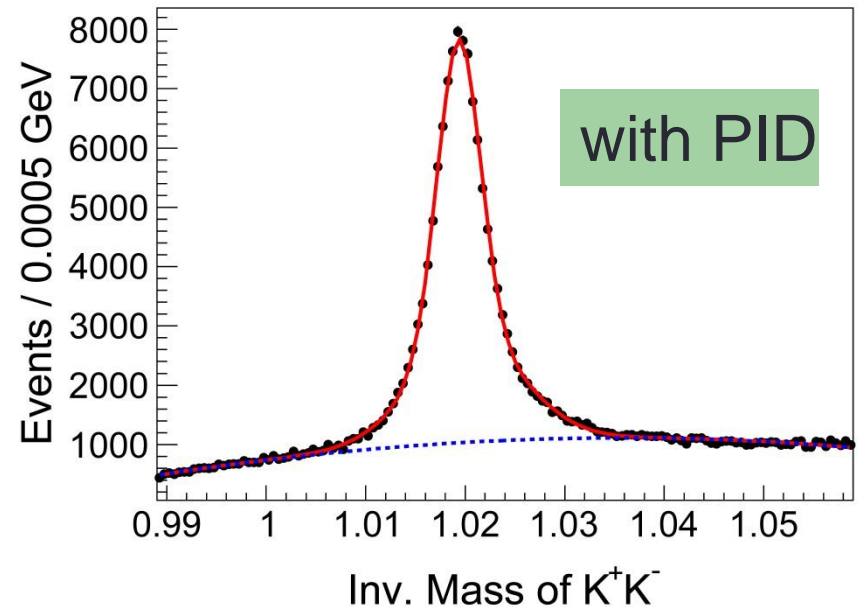
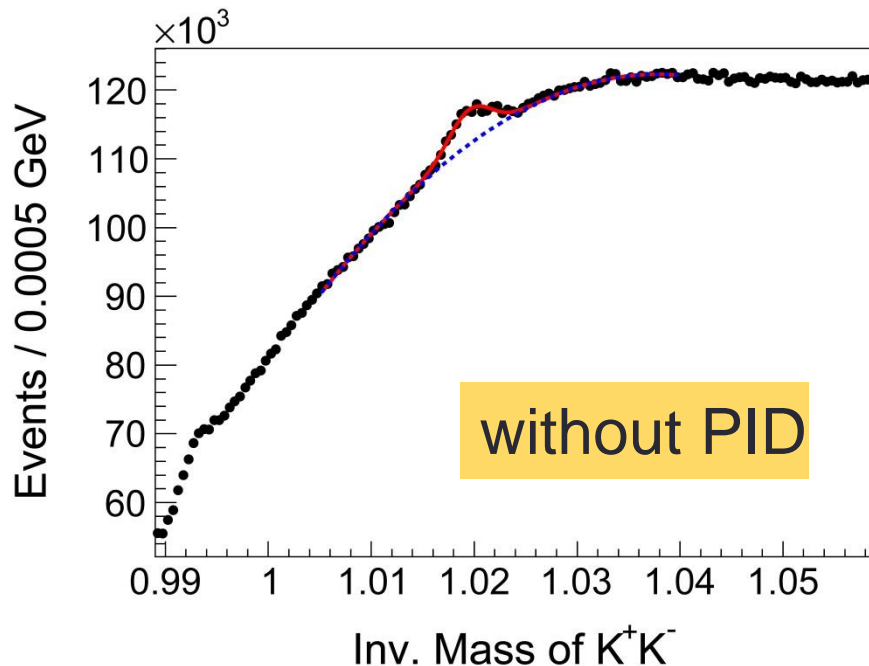
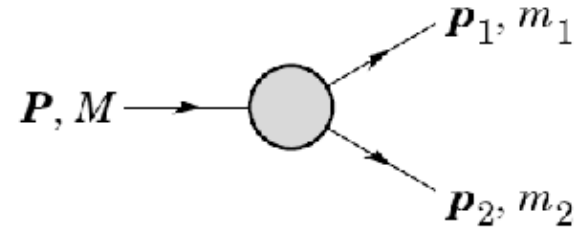


# WHY PID is crucial?

- Invariant mass

$$M^2 = m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2(E_1 E_2 - p_1 p_2 \cos\theta)$$

- Improvement in the signal-to-background ratio



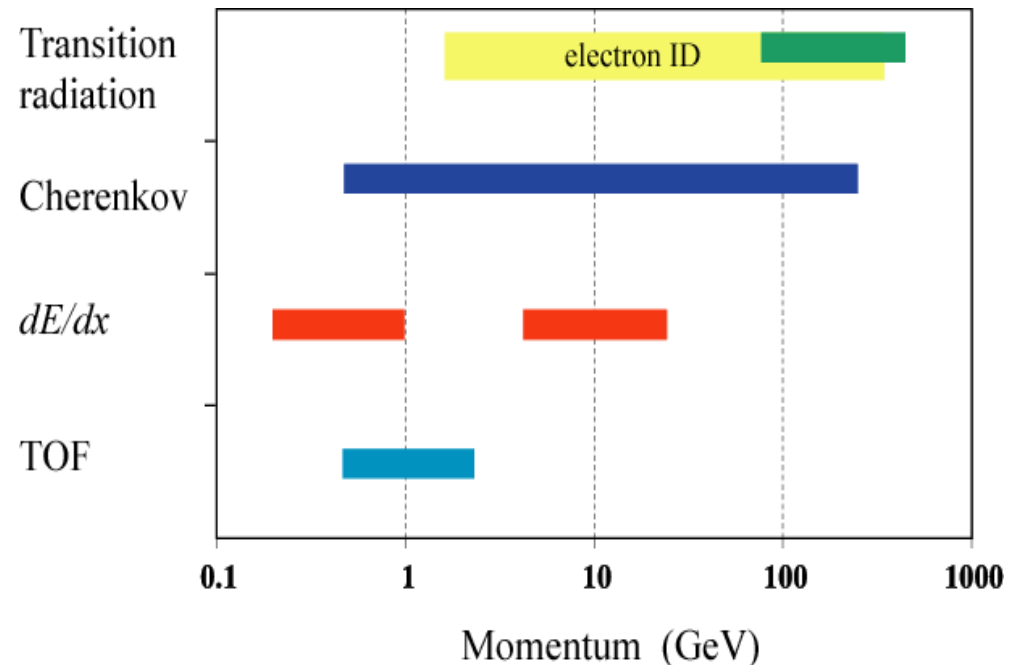
# Particle Identification (PID)

- Measurement of the energy deposit by ionization  $\beta\gamma$
- Time-of-flight measurements  $\beta$
- Detection of Cherenkov radiation  $\beta$
- Detection of transition radiation  $\gamma$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{v}{c} = \frac{|\vec{p}|c}{E}$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} = \frac{E}{mc^2}$$

$$p = \gamma m v \rightarrow m = \frac{p}{c\beta\gamma}$$



# Time-of-Flight (TOF) Detector

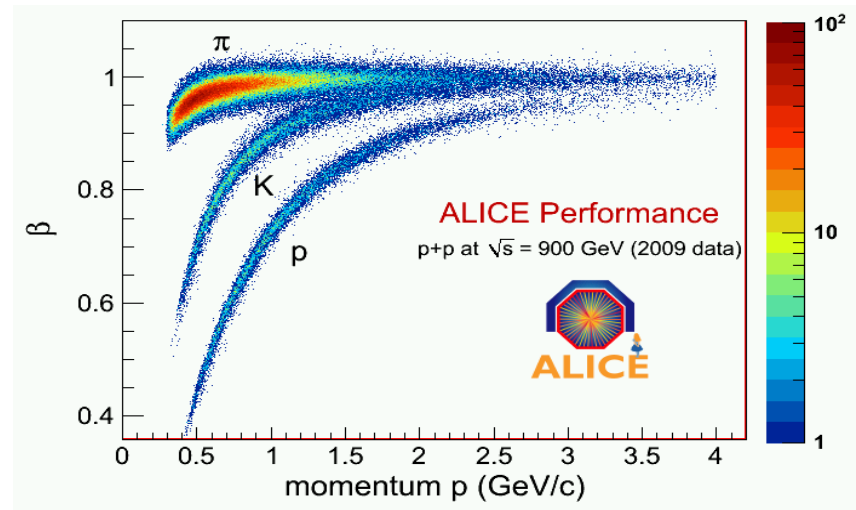
- Measure the time of flight of charged particles, combined with the momentum and the length of flight track, obtain the mass of particles

$$\beta = \frac{v}{c} = \frac{L}{c \cdot t}$$

$$\beta = \frac{p \cdot c}{E} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{m \cdot c}{p}\right)^2 + 1}}$$

$$m = \frac{p}{c} \sqrt{\left(\frac{c \cdot t}{L}\right)^2 - 1}$$

- $p \rightarrow \beta$   $p \uparrow, v \rightarrow c,$   
 $\beta \rightarrow 1$



# TOF PID

- Comparison between measured and **expected time**:

$$t^i_{predict} = \frac{L}{c \cdot \beta_i}, \quad \beta_i = \frac{|\vec{p}|c}{E_i}, \quad E_i = \sqrt{m_i^2 + p^2}$$

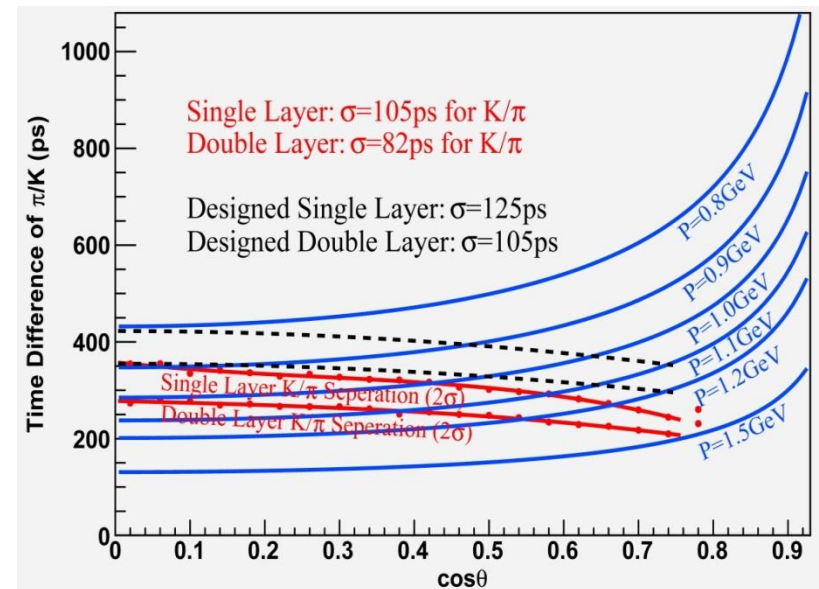
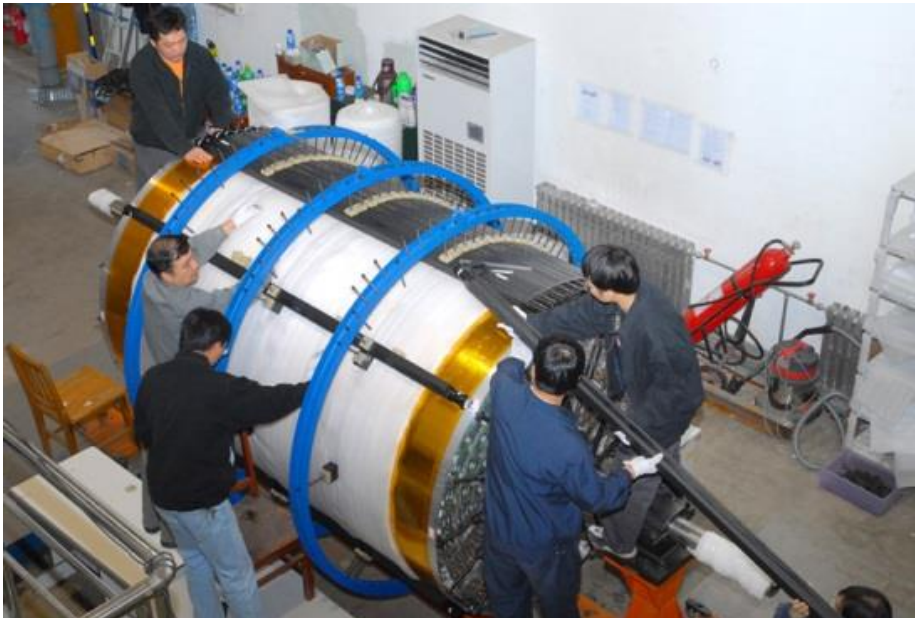
$$\chi = \frac{\Delta t}{\sigma} = \frac{t_{measure} - t^i_{predict}}{\sigma} \rightarrow \text{Normal distribution}$$

$$n_{TOF} = \frac{|t_A - t_B|}{\sigma_{TOF}} = \frac{Lc}{2p^2 \sigma_{TOF}} |m_A^2 - m_B^2|$$

- Particle separation power of TOF depends on:
  - The flight time difference between different species particles with same momentum.
  - Time resolution

# Scintillation TOF

- Scintillator bar coupled with PMT
  - Good time resolution
  - PMT under strong magnetic field
  - Increase of granularity





# Multi-gap Resistive Plate Chamber(MRPC)

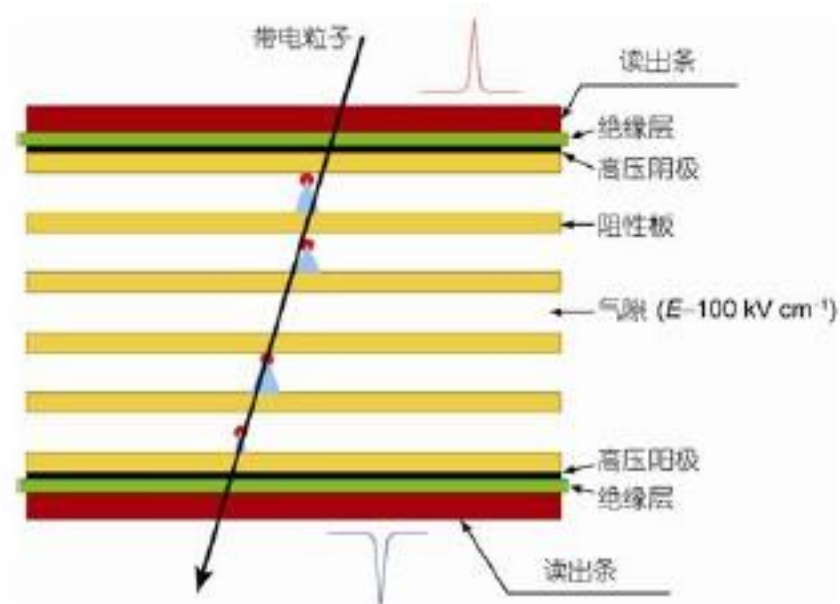
- MRPC-TOF

Charged particle  $\rightarrow$  Primary ionization  $\rightarrow$  Avalanche  $\rightarrow$  Induced signal

- Readout of scintillator is expensive, RPC is much cheaper.

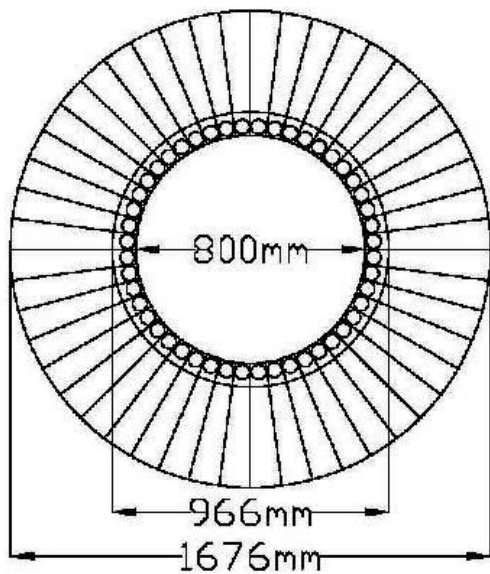
- The RPC design was improved by Multi-gap RPC:

- Reducing gap sizes
  - restrict fluctuation of drift time
  - improve time resolution
- Increasing the electric field
  - sum of the induced signals
  - good detection efficiency



# MRPC-TOF @ BESIII

- Scintillation TOF => MRPC TOF



$$\cos \theta = 0.846$$

$$\cos \theta = 0.944$$

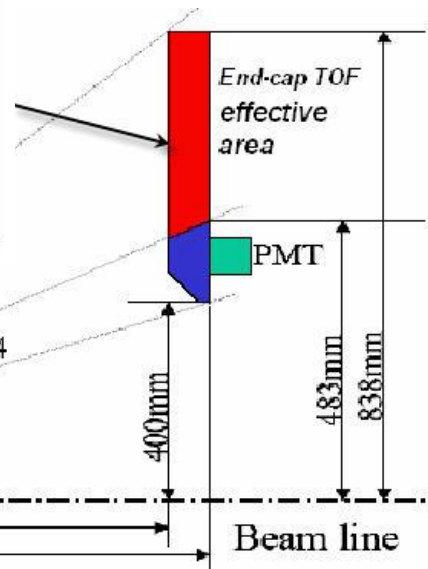
$$\cos \theta = 0.961$$

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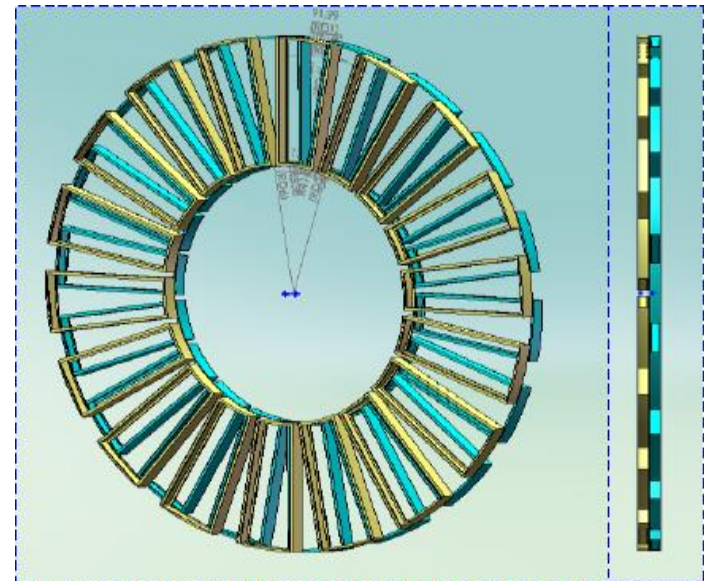
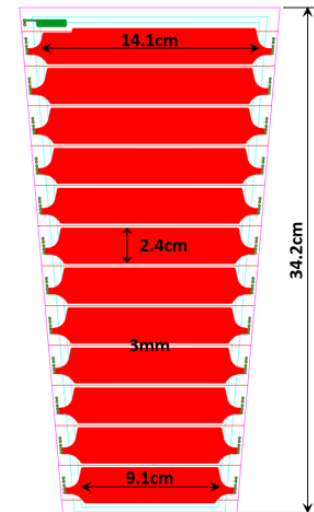
1330mm

1382mm

Beam line

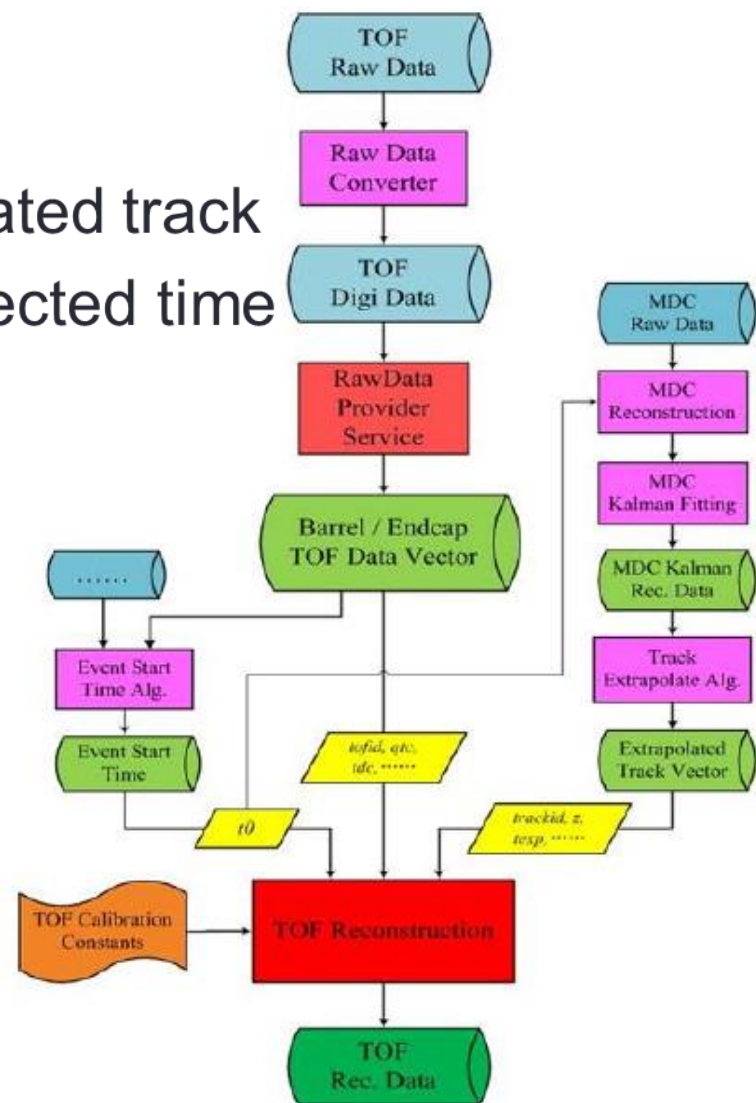
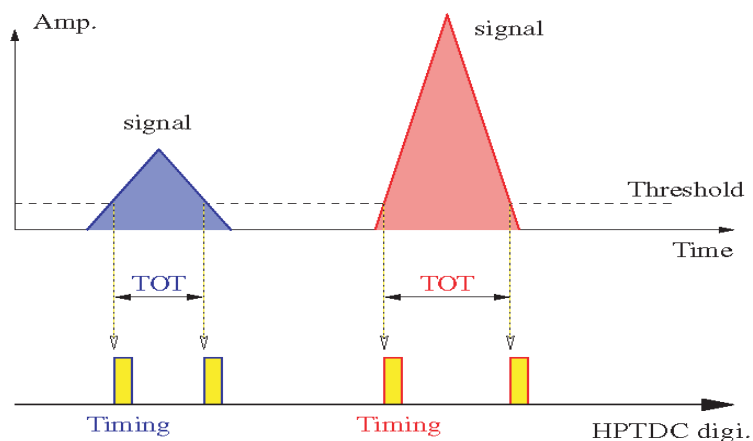


	OLD	NEW
Detector Modules	96	72
Electronics	96	$72 \times 12 \times 2 = 1728$
Time Res	138ps	$< 80 \sim 100\text{ps}$



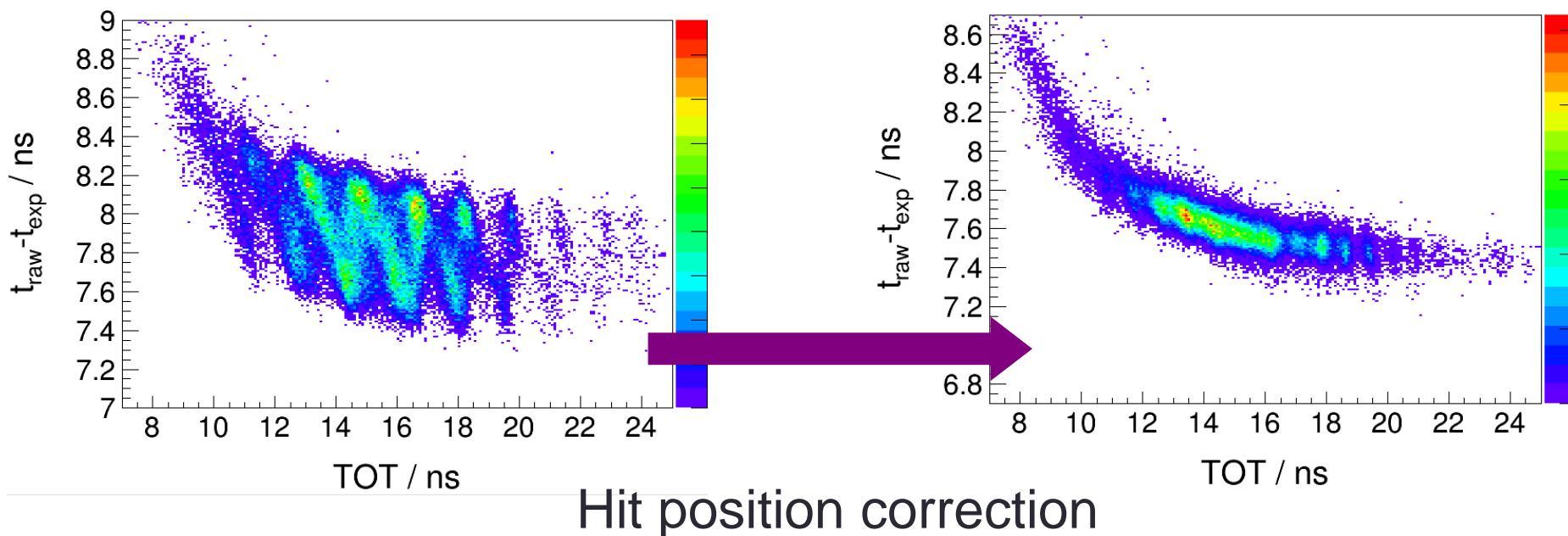
# MRPC Endcap TOF Reconstruction

- Event Start Time  $t_0$
- MDC Reconstruction  $\rightarrow$  Extrapolated track
  - Momentum, path length  $\rightarrow$  expected time
  - Hit position
- TOF Raw Data
  - Leading time  $t_{leading}$
  - Time-over-threshold (TOT)



# Time Walk (Time Slewing)

- Measured raw time depend on hit position
- Multi-peak TOT partly depend on hit position



# MRPC TOF Calibration

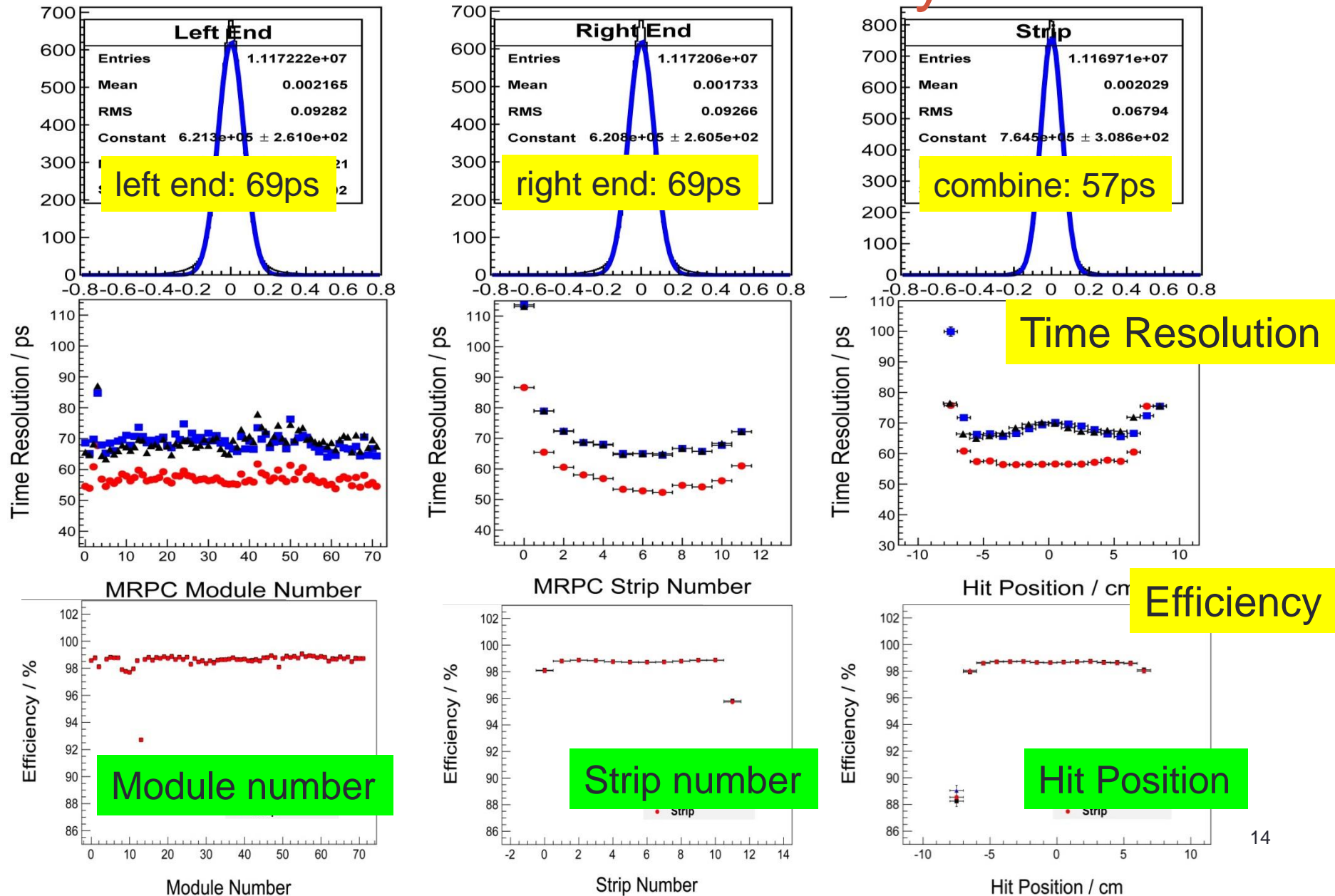
- Bhabha events are used for calibration sample
- Empirical calibration function for single end of strip

$$t_{corr} = p_0 + \frac{p_1 + p_2 \cdot z}{\sqrt{Q}} + \frac{p_3 + p_4 \cdot z}{Q} + (p_5 + p_6 \cdot z) \cdot Q + p_7 \cdot Q^2 + p_8 \cdot Q^3 + p_9 \cdot Q^4 + p_{10} \cdot z + p_{11} \cdot z^2 + p_{12} \cdot z^3$$

- Empirical calibration function for strip

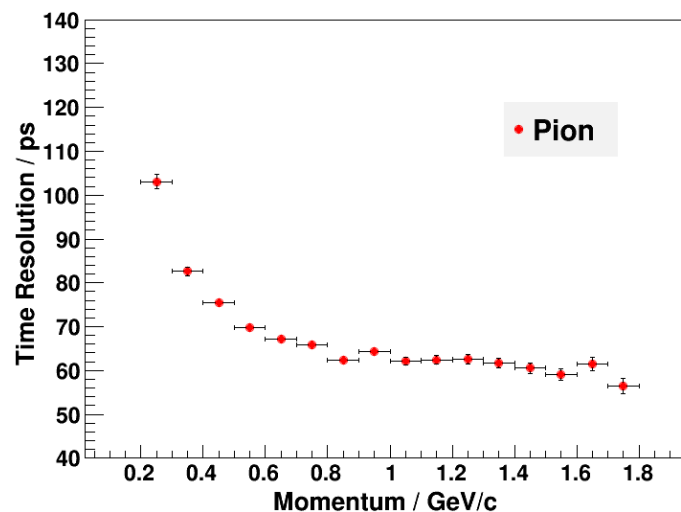
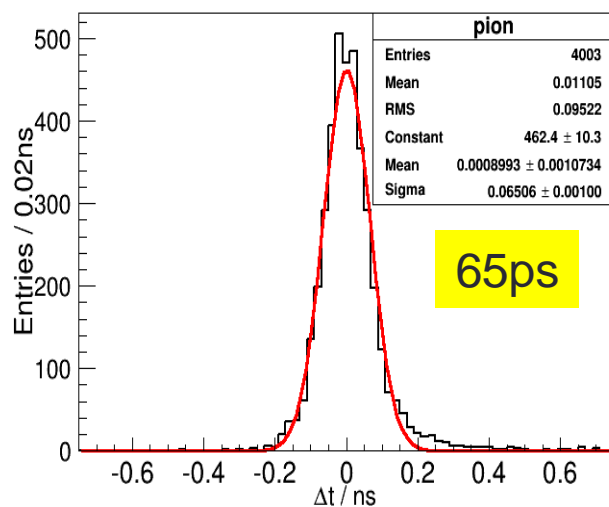
$$t_{corr}^{combine} = \frac{1}{2} (t_{corr}^{left} + t_{corr}^{right})$$

# Time Resolution and Efficiency of Bhabha



# Time Resolution for $\pi$

- Scintillator ETOF: 138 ps
- Designed Target of MRPC ETOF: 80~100 ps
- BESIII: 65ps



Accelerator	Detector	Time Resolution( $\pi$ )
RHIC	STAR	80ps
LHC	ALICE	86ps (Without t0)
BEPCII	BESIII	<b>65ps</b>



# Summary

- Particle identification is crucial
- MRPC TOF: good time resolution, high efficiency and low cost
- Offline data processing of MRPC ETOF @ BESIII
  - Empirical calibration function.
  - The time resolution of Bhabha is 57ps.
  - The time resolution of 1.0 GeV/c pion achieved 65 ps.

**Thank you !**