

# **Characteristics of the fragments production in $^{197}\text{Au} + ^{197}\text{Au}$ reaction at 23 AMeV**

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**for Breakup Collaboration**

# Motivation

- extension of an earlier study carried out at a lower energy of 15 AMeV, in which a **new reaction mechanism** of violent collinear breakup of non-fusing colliding systems into 3 and/or 4 massive fragments was discovered (*previous seminar*)
- search for toroidal freeze out configurations predicted to be formed for this heavy system

# Search for superheavy nuclei

The theoretical analysis of properties of superheavy nuclei do not predict any long living nuclei with compact shapes beyond the island of stability ( $N \sim 184$ ,  $Z \sim 114$ ).

Liquid drop model with shell corrections and Hartree – Fock – Bogoliubov theory with the Gogny D1S force calculations have shown that metastable islands of nuclear bubbles can exist for nuclei in the range  $A=450-3000$

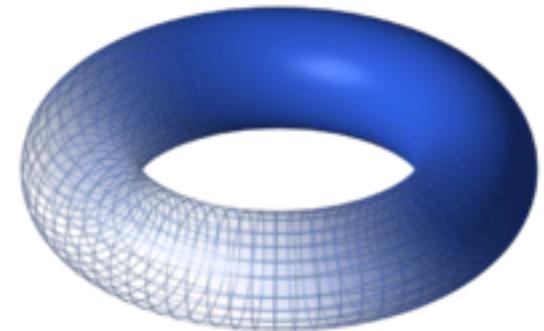
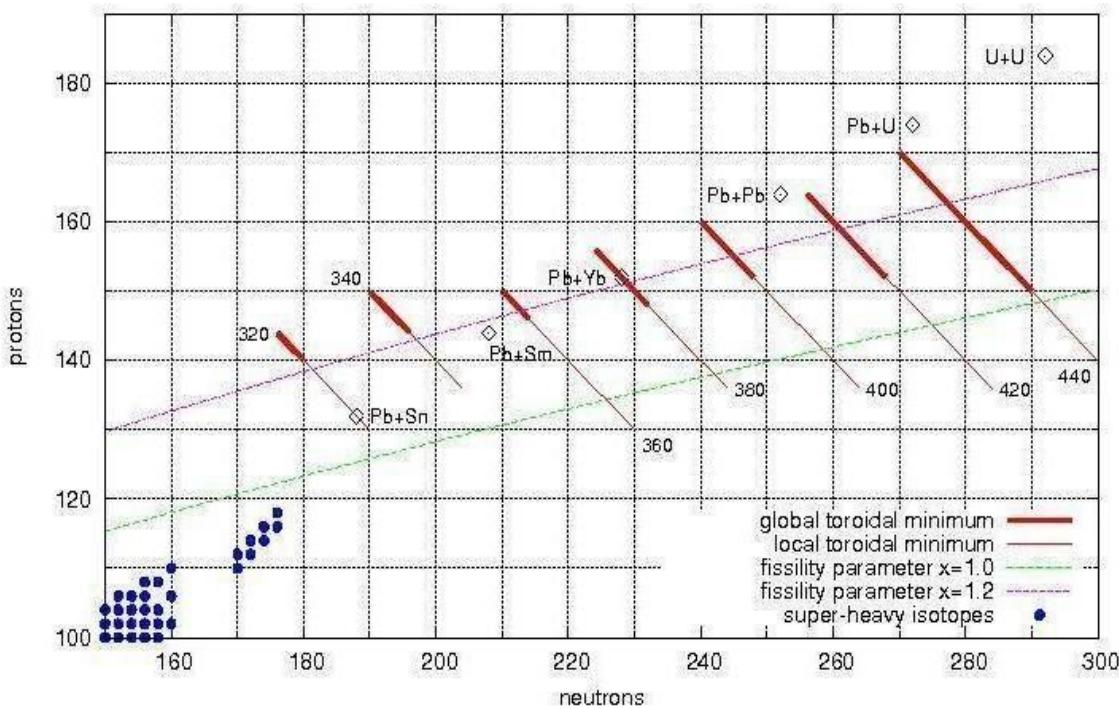
*K. Dietrich, K.Pomorski Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 37 (1998)*

*J. Decharge et al. Nucl. Phys.A 716, 55 (2003 )*



# Prediction for the toroidal shapes

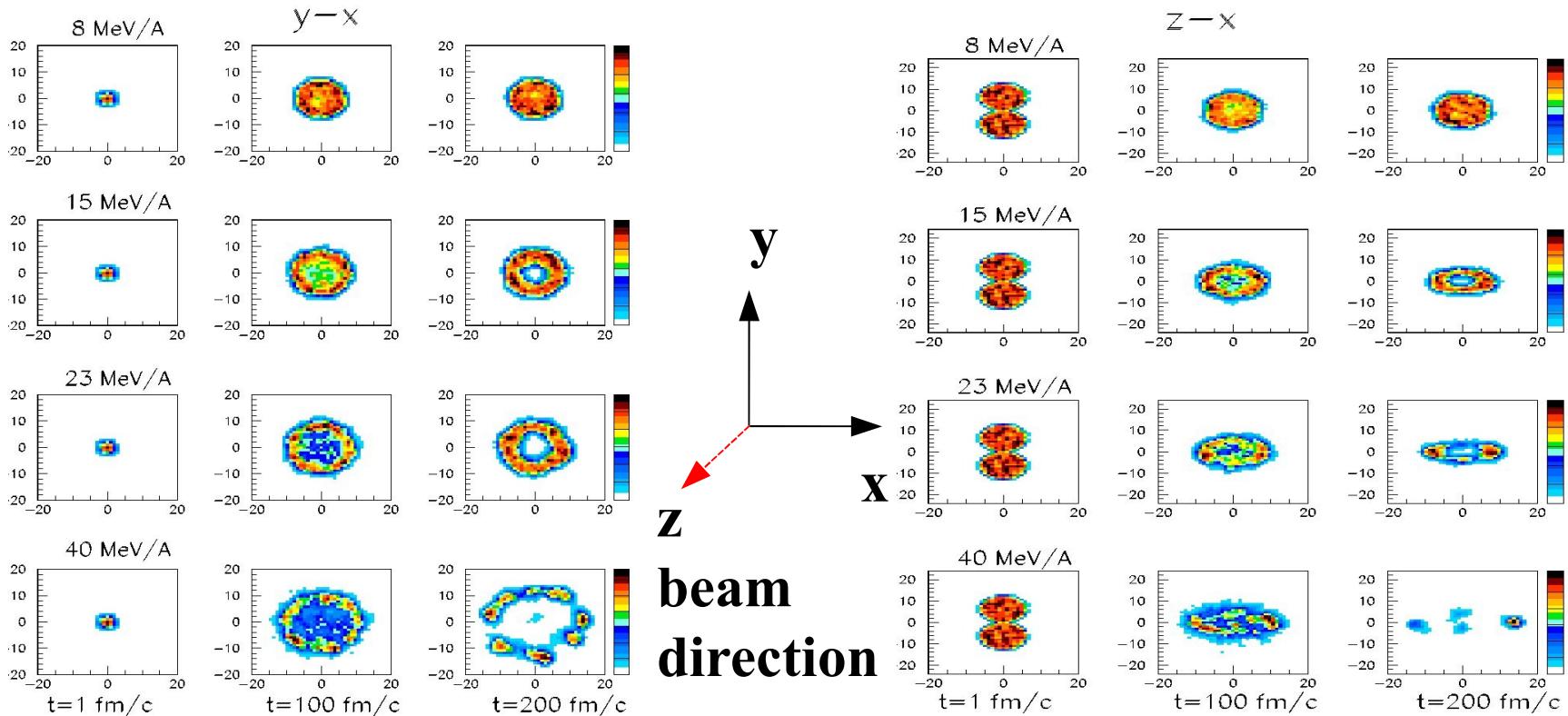
- ❖ The energy of the toroidal minimum decrease relatively to the potential energy of the spherical configuration with increase of the mass of the system
- ❖ For  $Z>140$ , the global minimum of potential energy corresponds to the toroidal shape



M. Warda,  
Int. J. of Mod. Phys. E 16,452 (2007)

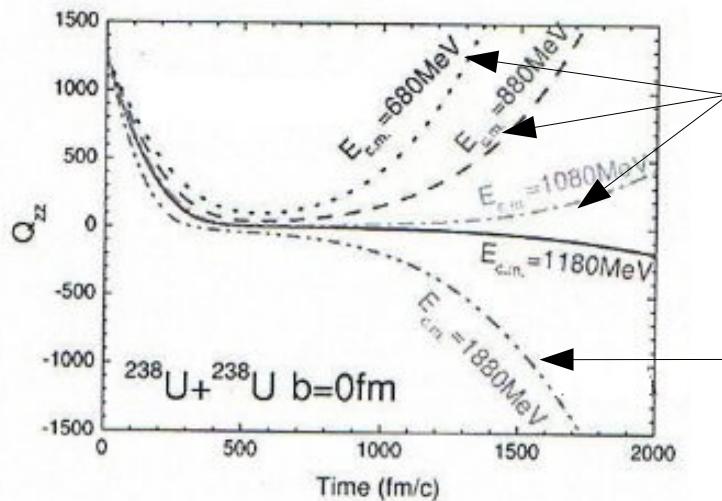
# BUU simulations for central collisions of Au+Au

Calculations predict that a threshold energy for toroidal freeze-out configuration is at about 23 MeV / nucleon



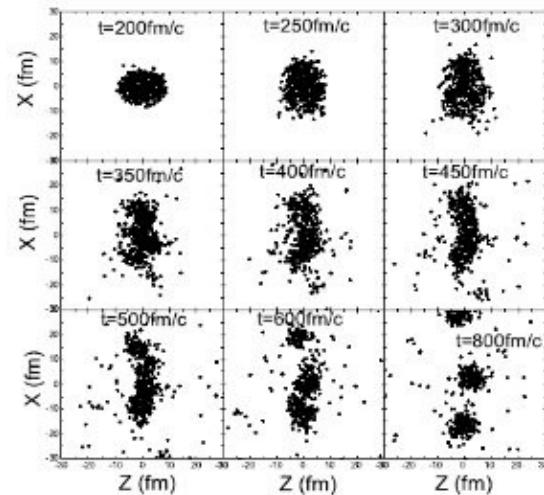
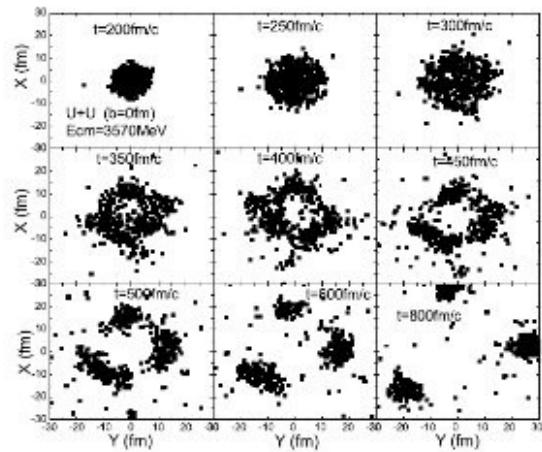
A. Sochocka et al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. E17, 190 (2008)

# Results of ImQMD simulation



**Time evolution of quadrupole moment for  $^{238}\text{U} + ^{238}\text{U}$**

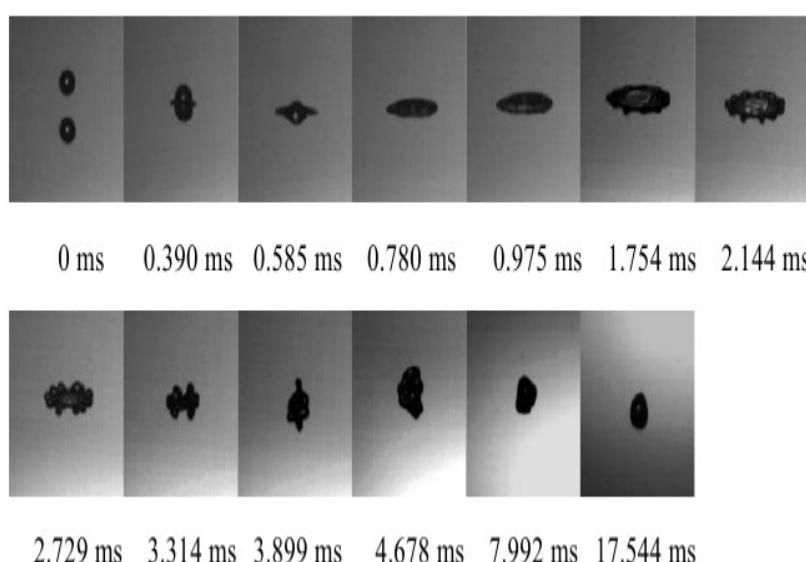
**Time evolution of  $^{238}\text{U} + ^{238}\text{U}$  at  $E_{cm}=3570 \text{ MeV}$  and  $b=0 \text{ fm}$**



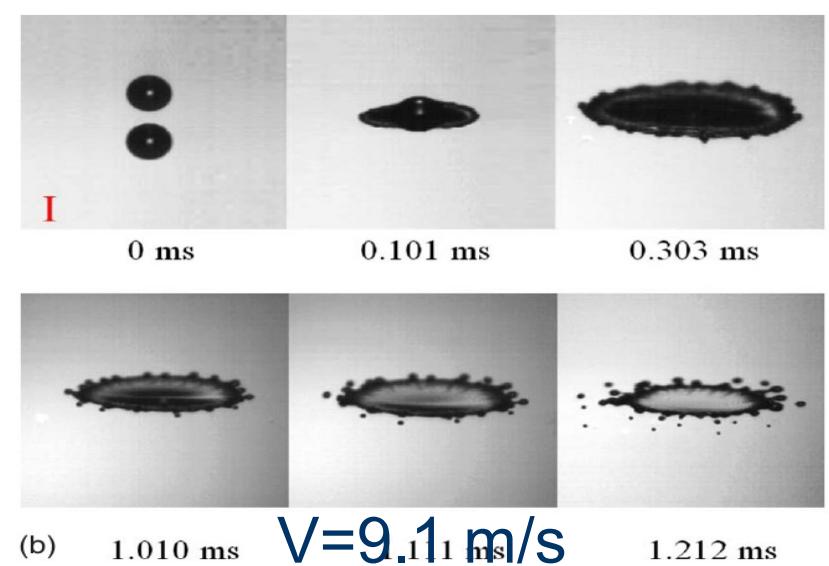
Tian et al., Phys. Rev. C77, 064603 (2008)

# Macroscopic droplet collisions

Formation the toroidal-shapes configurations can be observed in binary droplet collision at high velocity.



$V=3.89 \text{ m/s}$



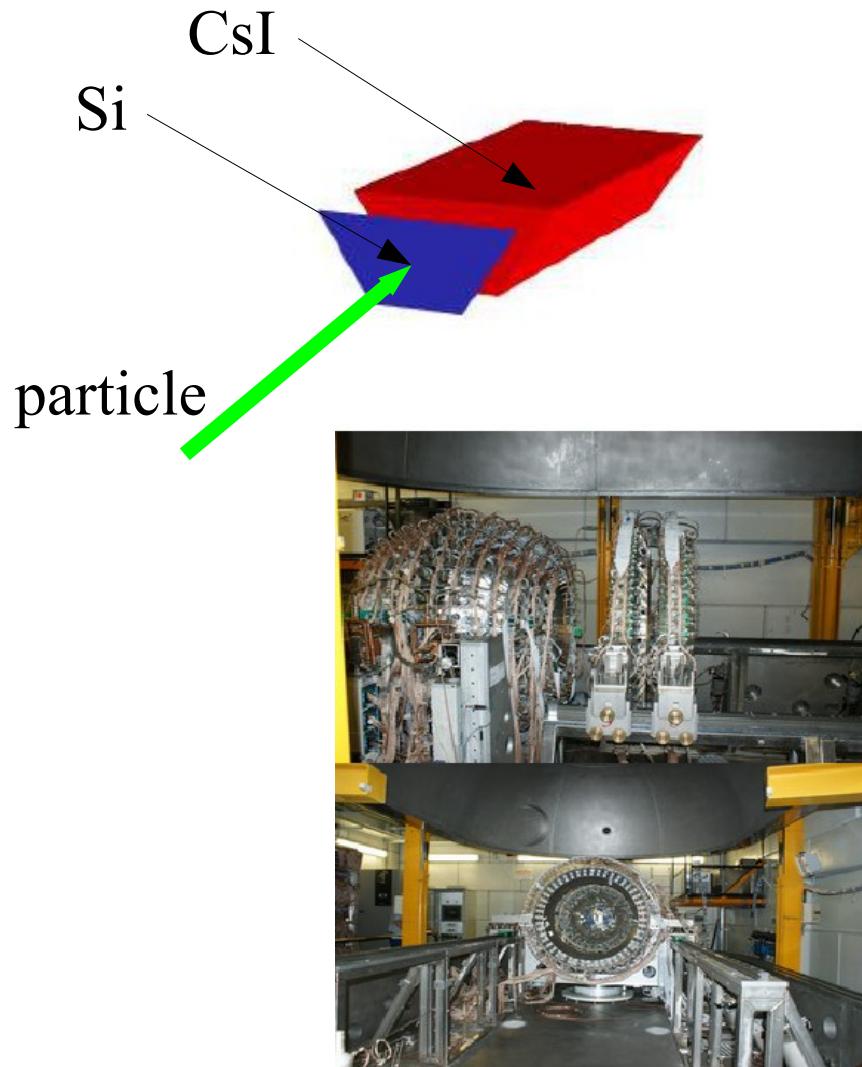
(b)  $V=9.1 \text{ m/s}$

# Measurements for Au + Au (23 AMeV) at INFN-LNS with CHIMERA detector

## CHIMERA -Charged Heavy Ion Mass and Energy Resolving Array



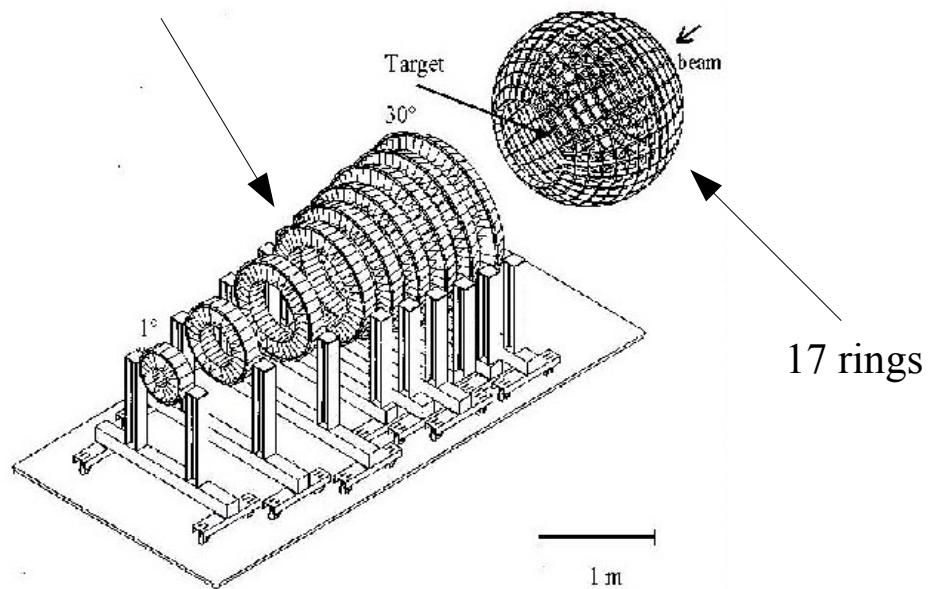
# CHIMERA detector



## CHIMERAs advantage:

- 1192 telescopes: Si and CsI
- Low detection threshold - 1 MeV/A
- Covering almost 94% of  $4\pi$
- Z and A identification

687 telescopes on 9 wheels



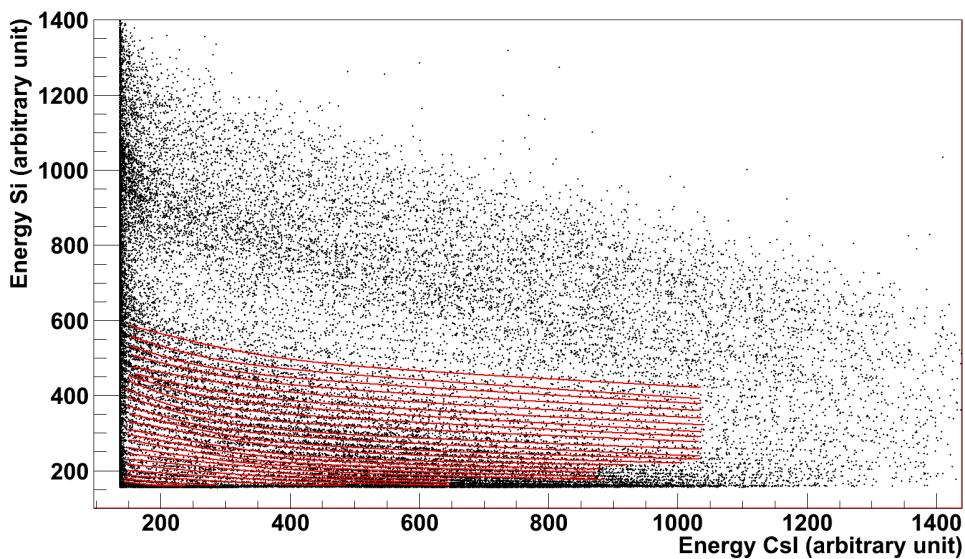
# Au + Au at 23 AMeV

## Calibration procedure:

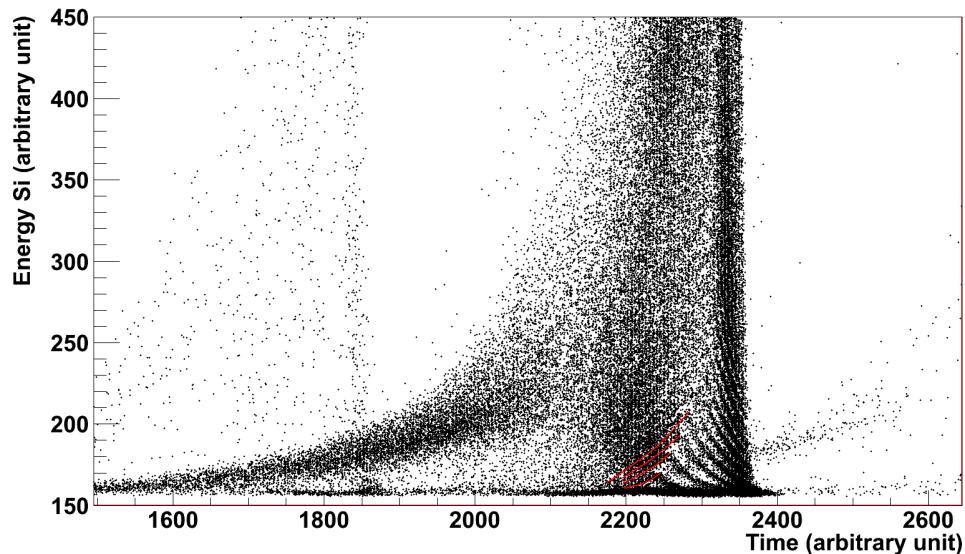
- Energy calibration of Si detectors (**done**)
- Z identification of fragments,  $\Delta E-E$  method (**done**)
- Energy deposited in CsI calculated (**done**)
- A identification of fragments, TOF method (**done**)
- Light particles identification, PSD method (**in future**)
- Pulse Shape Analysis, Time90 (**in future**)

# Fragment identifications

telescope 252

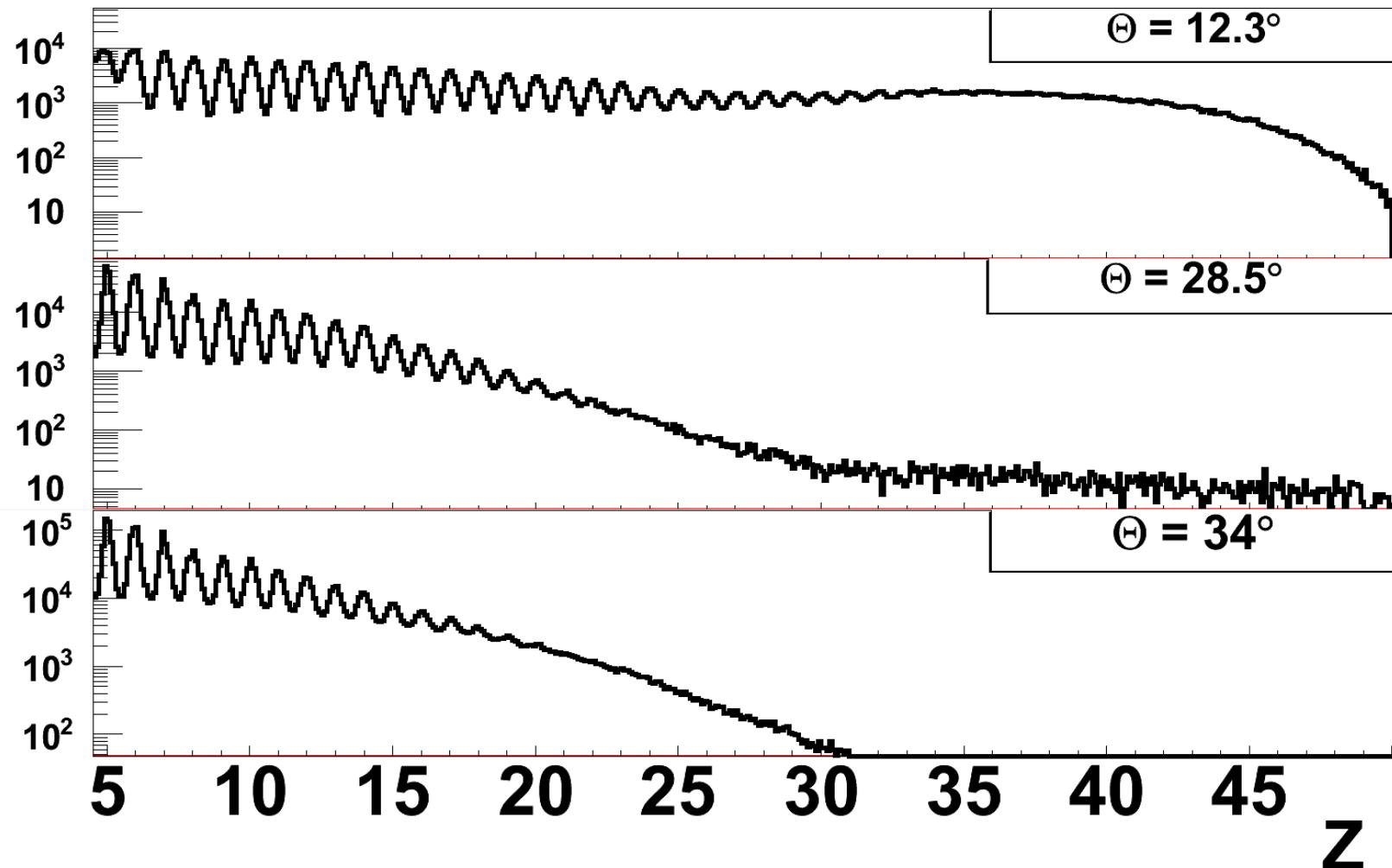


$\Delta E$ -E  
spectrum

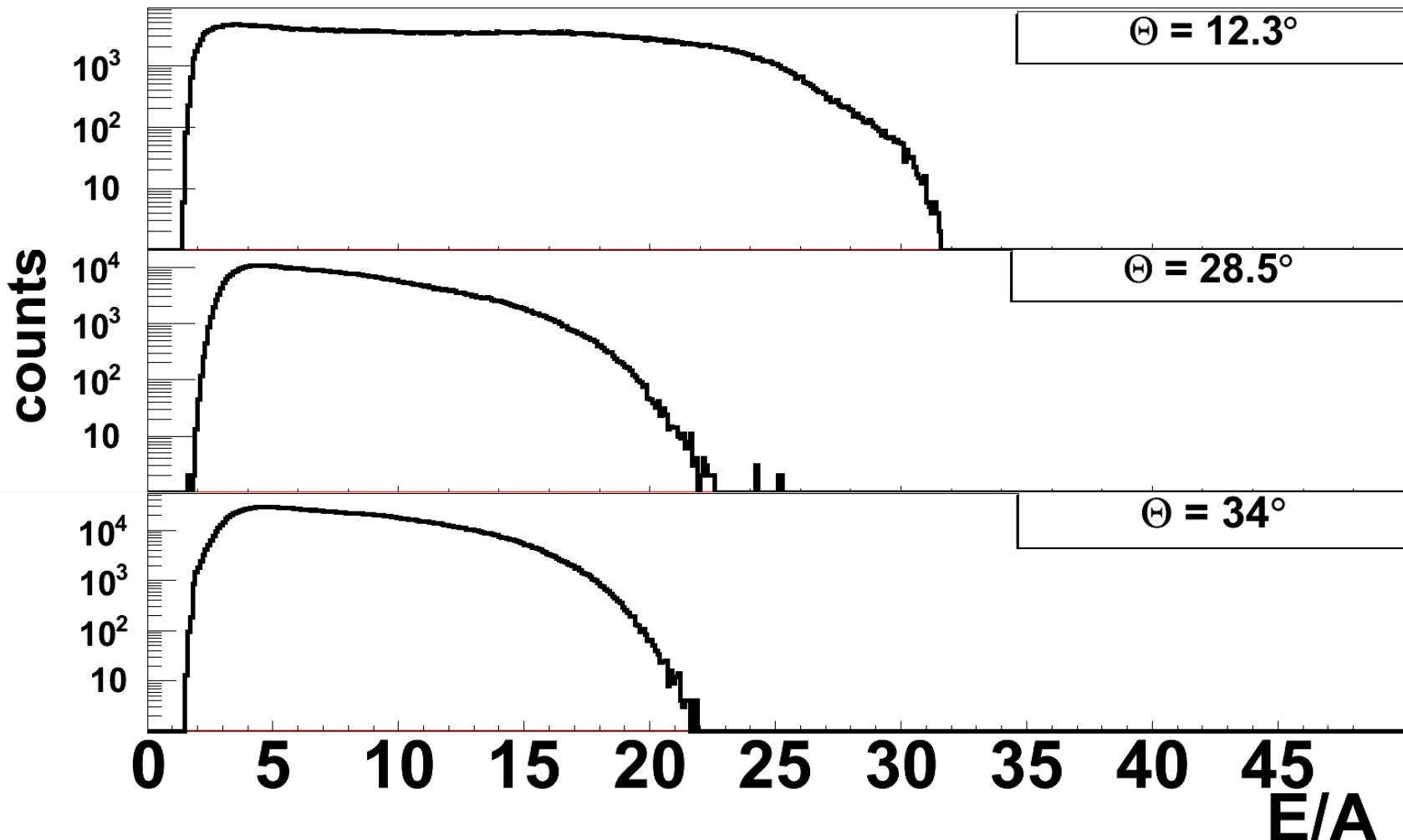


$\Delta E$ -Time  
spectrum

# Charge distributions



# Energy distributions for fragments with Z=5-50



# TOF calibration



E- particle energy [MeV] calculated from:

$$E = a_L \cdot \text{Channel}_{\text{desilpg}} + b_L$$

m- ion mass [u]

R – distance from target to detector [cm]

$t_0$  – time offset calculated for each detector [ns]

$$\alpha = 3 \cdot T / d$$

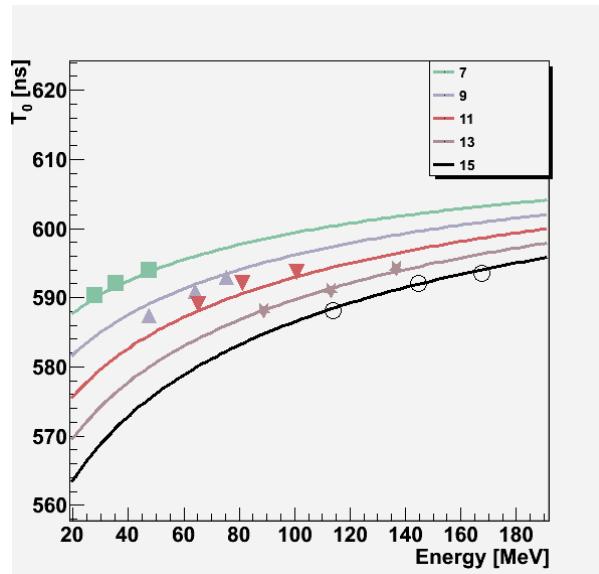
T- cyclotron period [ns]

d- distance between two beam bursts [channels]

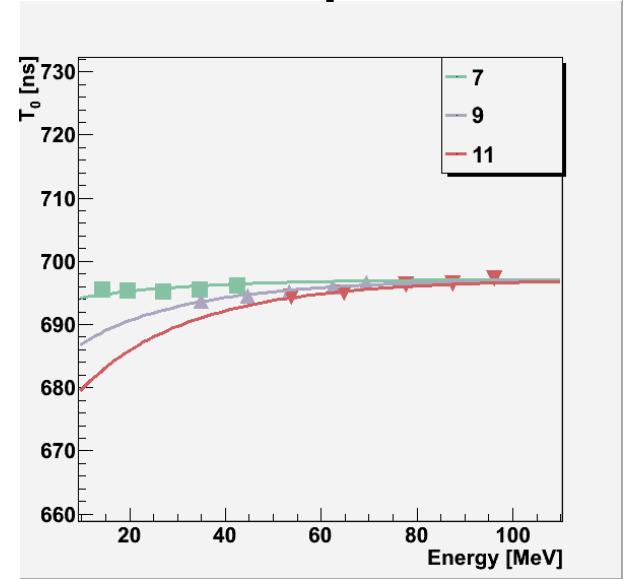
For calibration data the following function is fitted:

# TOF calibration

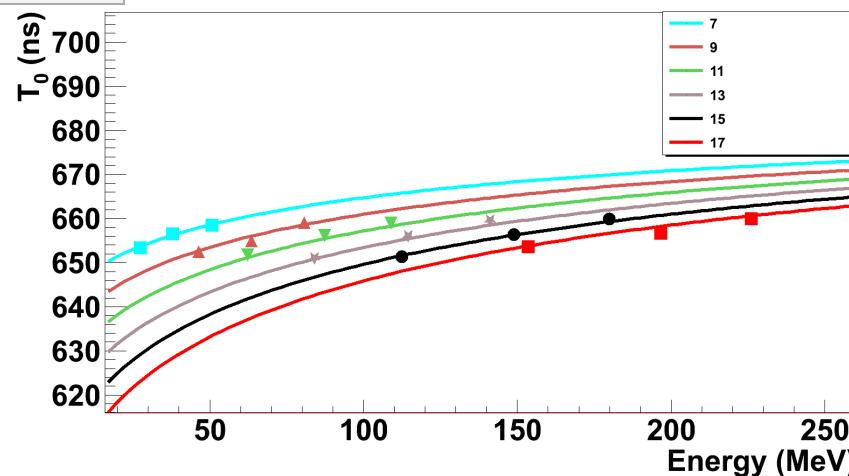
Telescope 430



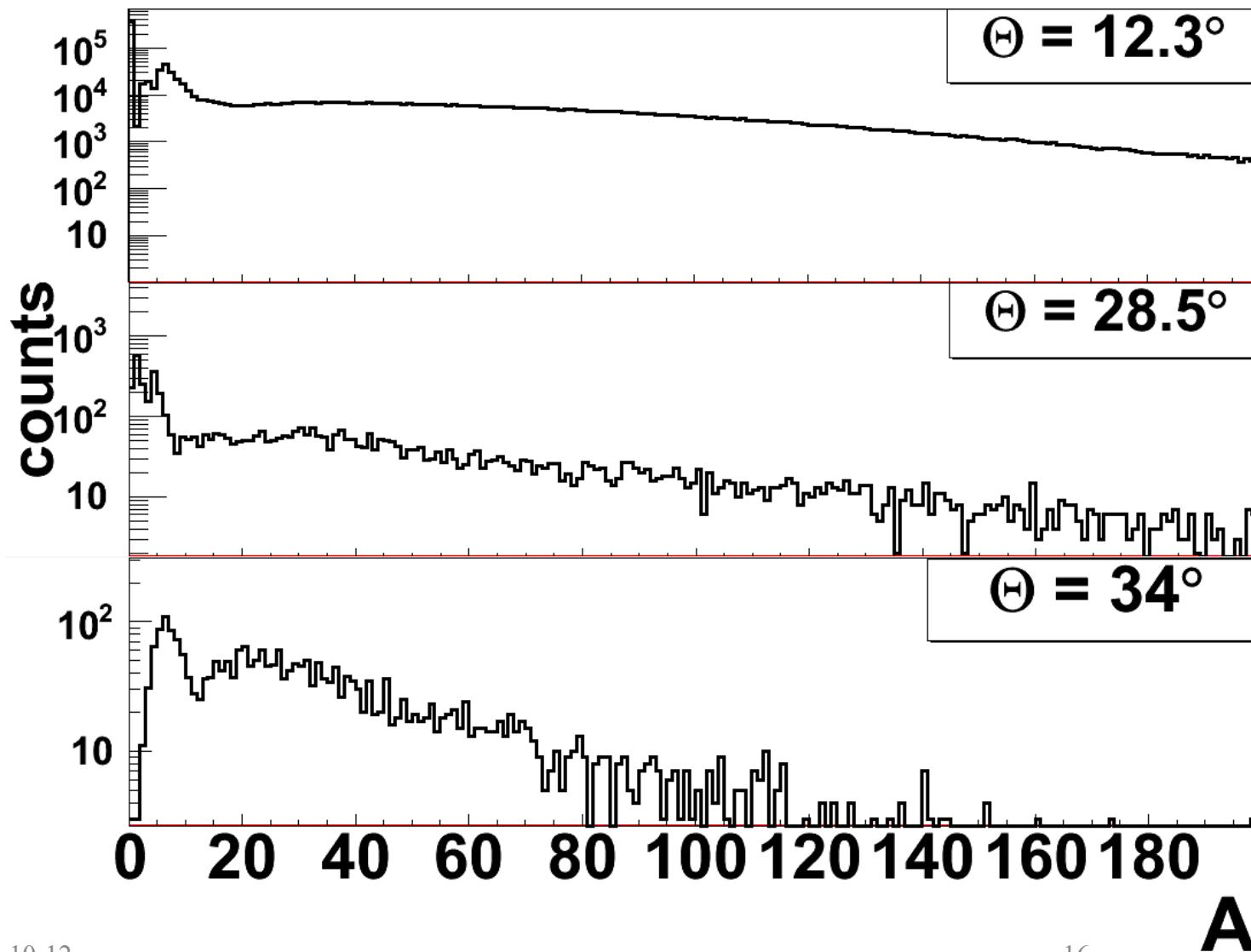
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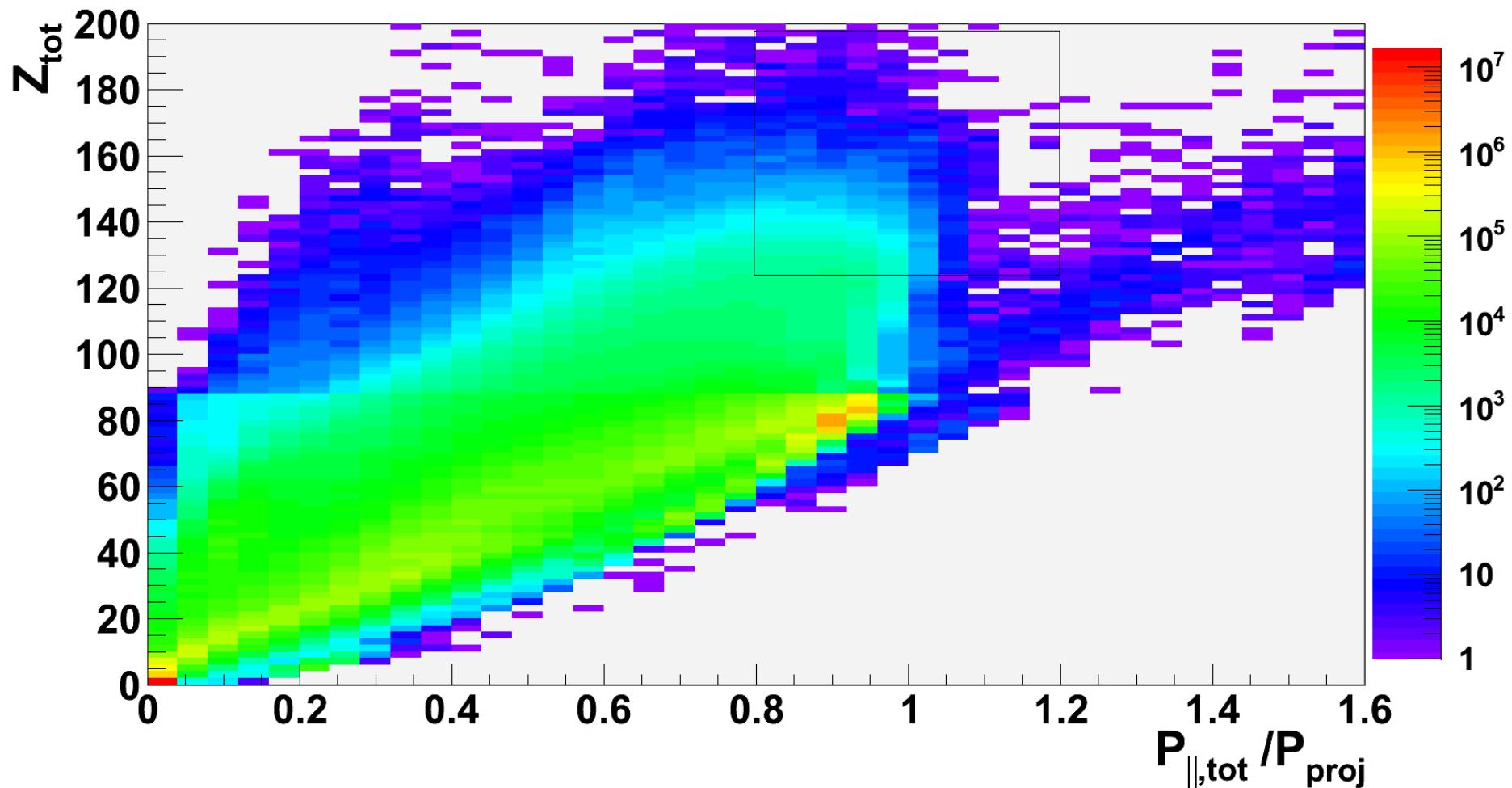
Telescope 632



# Mass distributions

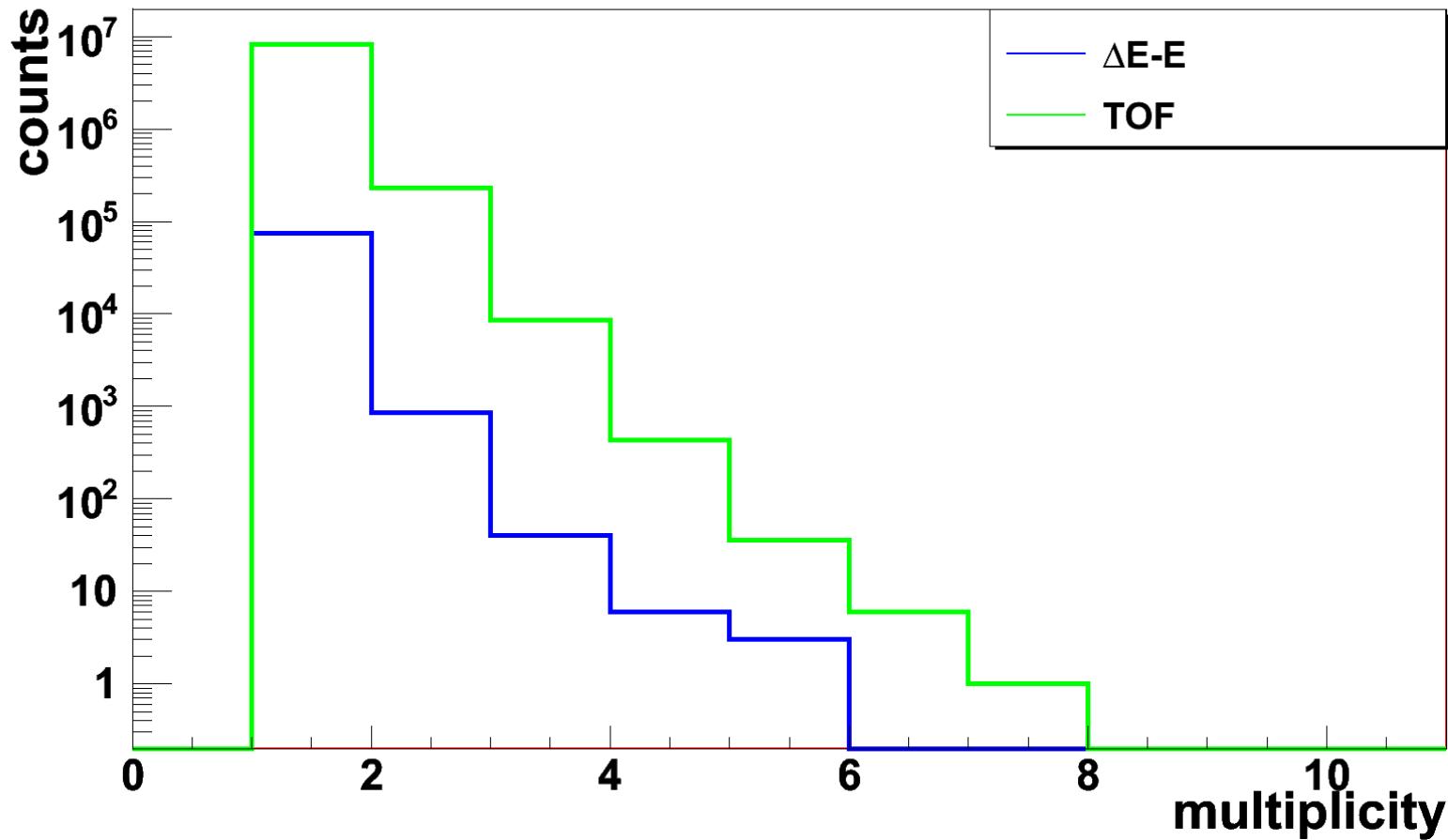


# Total momentum vs. $Z_{\text{tot}}$ distribution

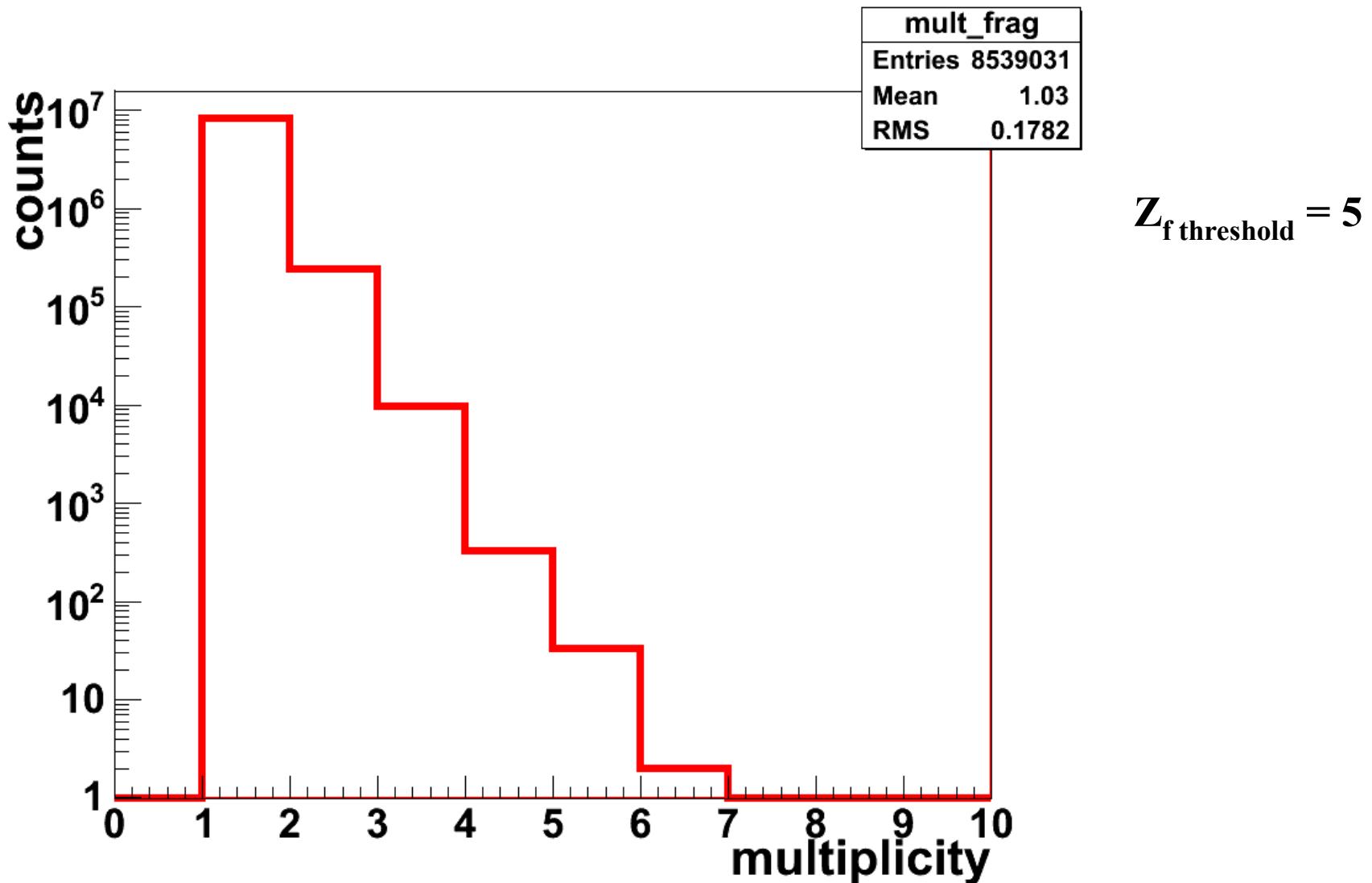


# Multiplicity distributions

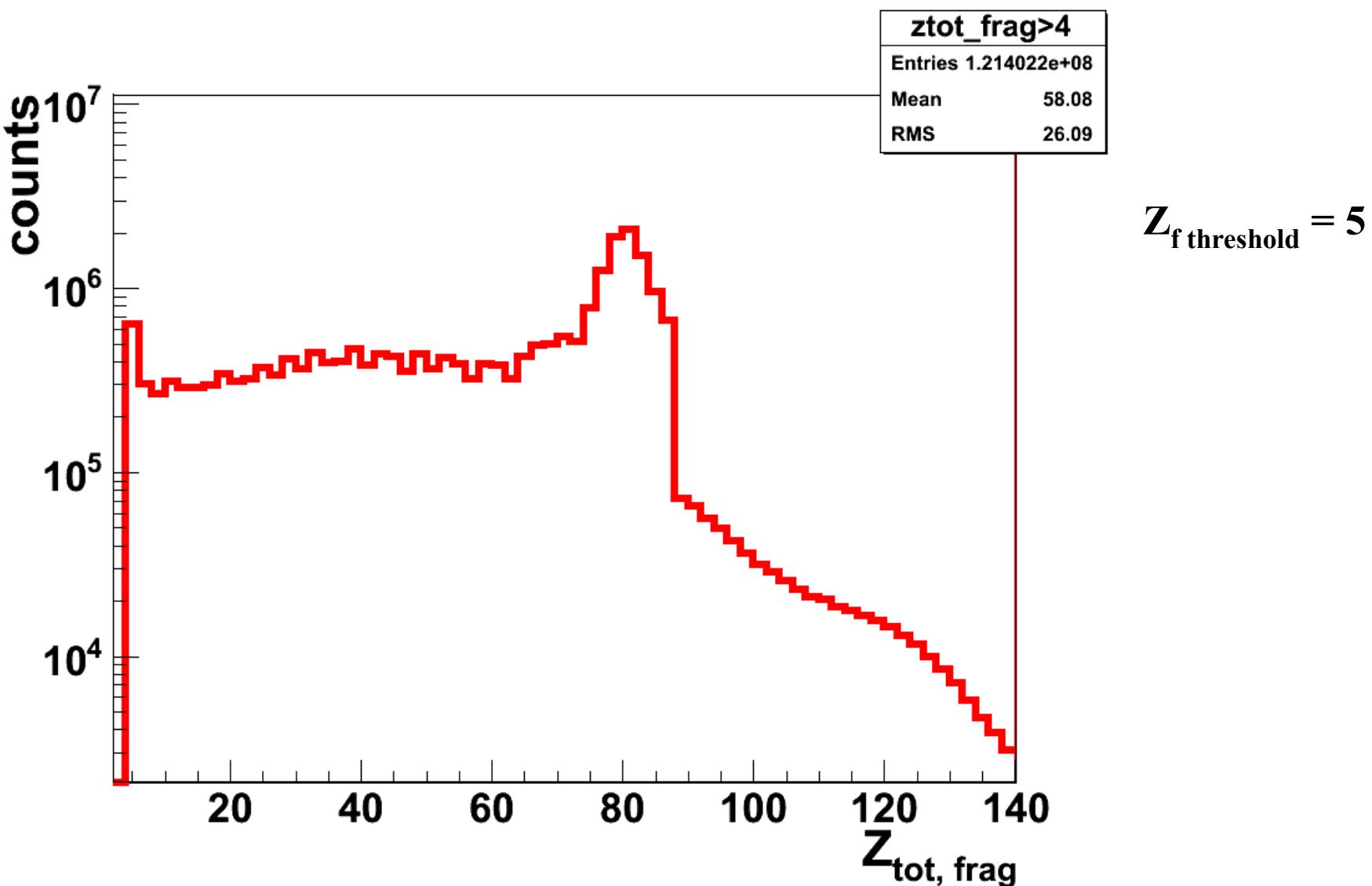
Multiplicity of identified particles:  
 $0.8 < P_{\parallel, \text{tot}}/P_{\text{Proj}} < 1.1$  &  $Z_{\text{tot}} > 120$



# Multiplicity of fragments distributions



# $Z_{\text{tot, fragments}}$ distribution



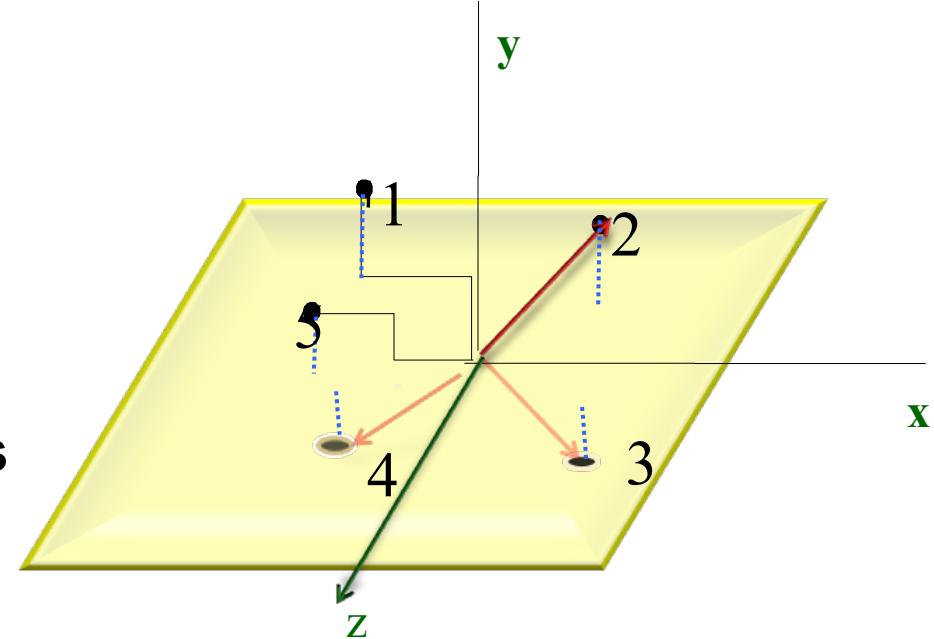
# Observables definition

$\Delta$  parameter measures the flatness of the events in velocity space.  
For toroids it is much smaller than for sphere or bubble.

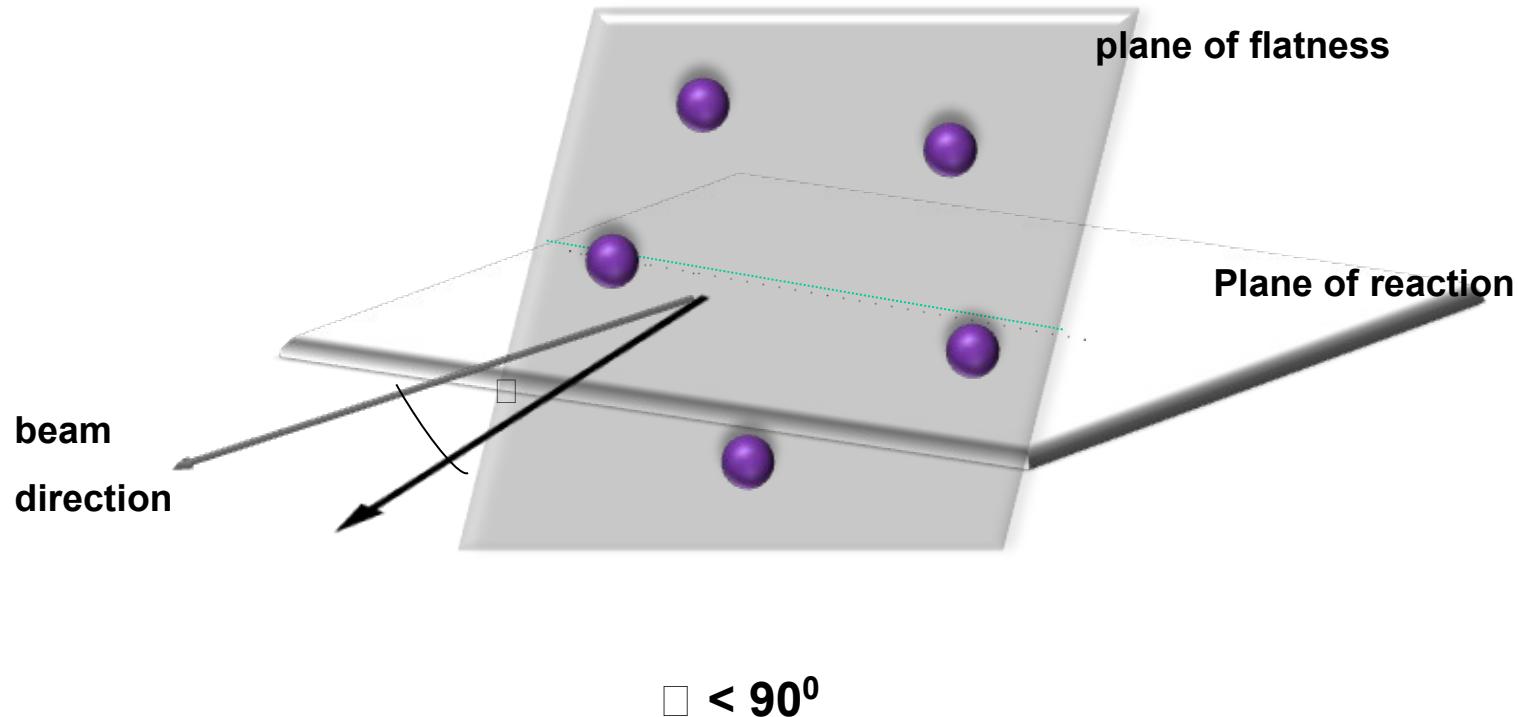
$$d_i = \frac{|Av_{x_i} + Bv_{y_i} + Cv_{z_i} + D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

$$\Delta^2 = \min \sum_{i=1}^5 d_i^2(A, B, C, D)$$

A, B, C, D – plane parameters



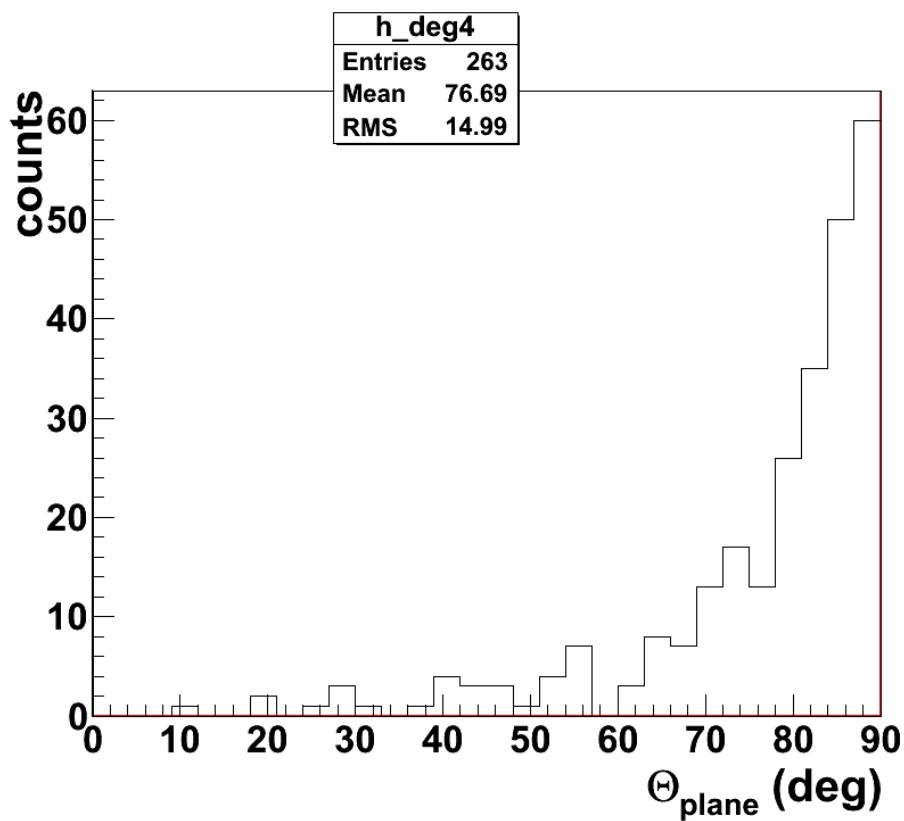
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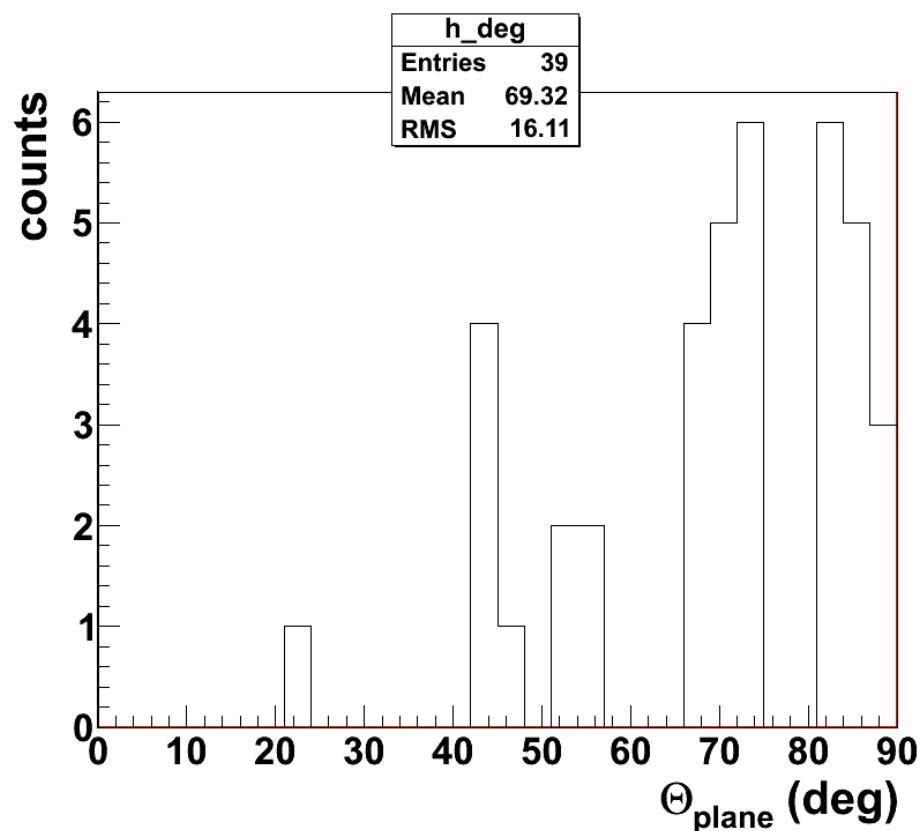
# $\Theta_{\text{Plane}}$ distribution

$$Z_{f, \text{threshold}} = 8$$

Number of fragments : 4



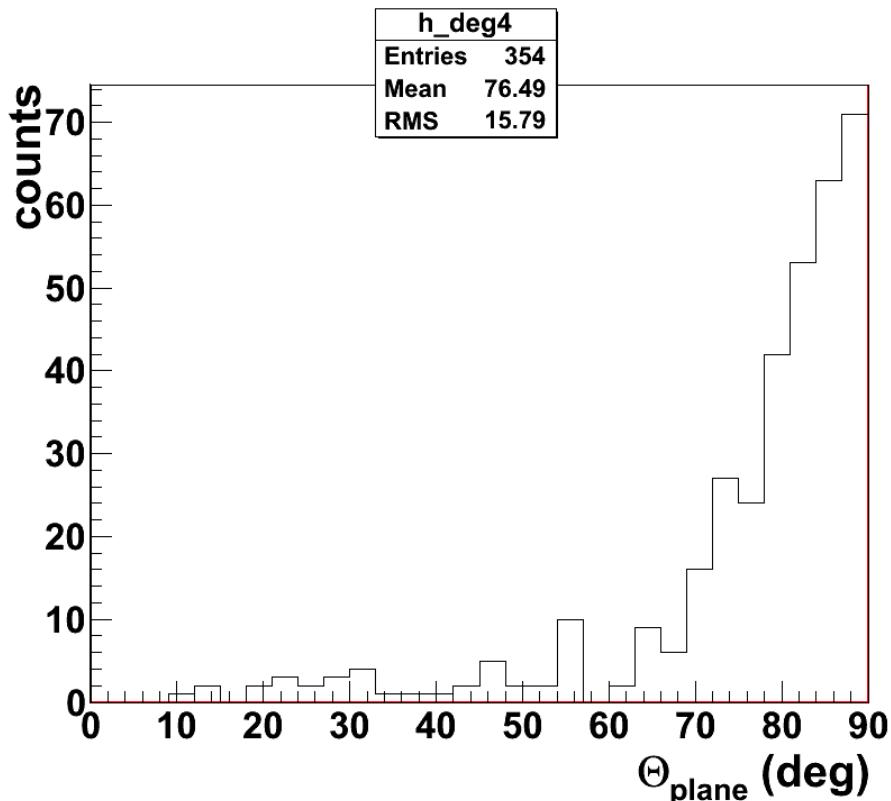
Number of fragments :  $\geq 5$



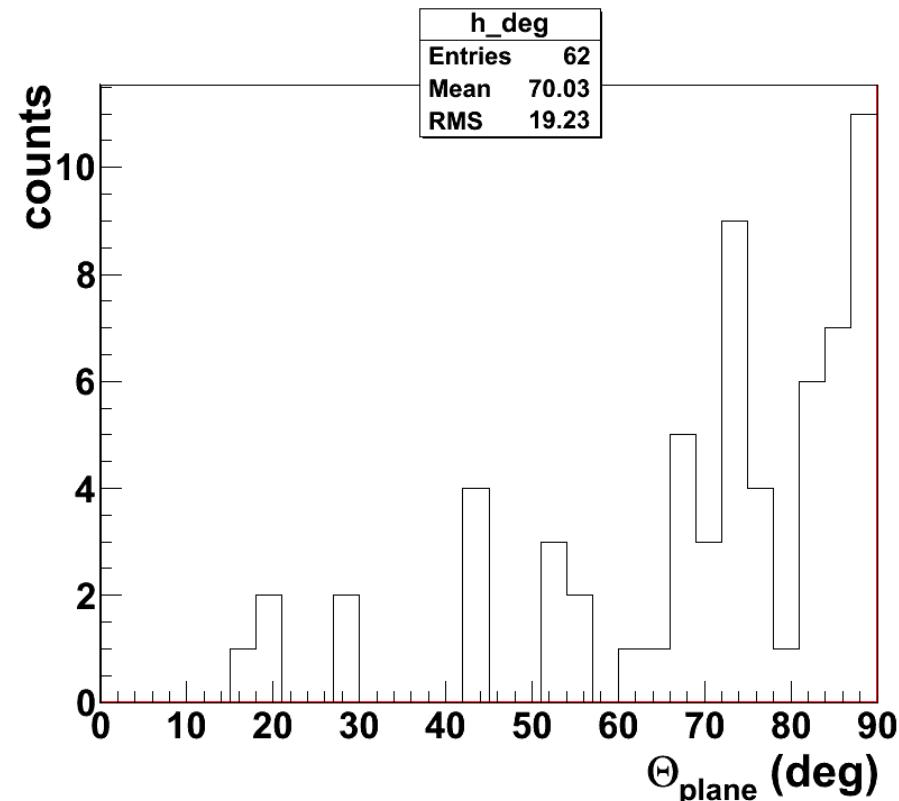
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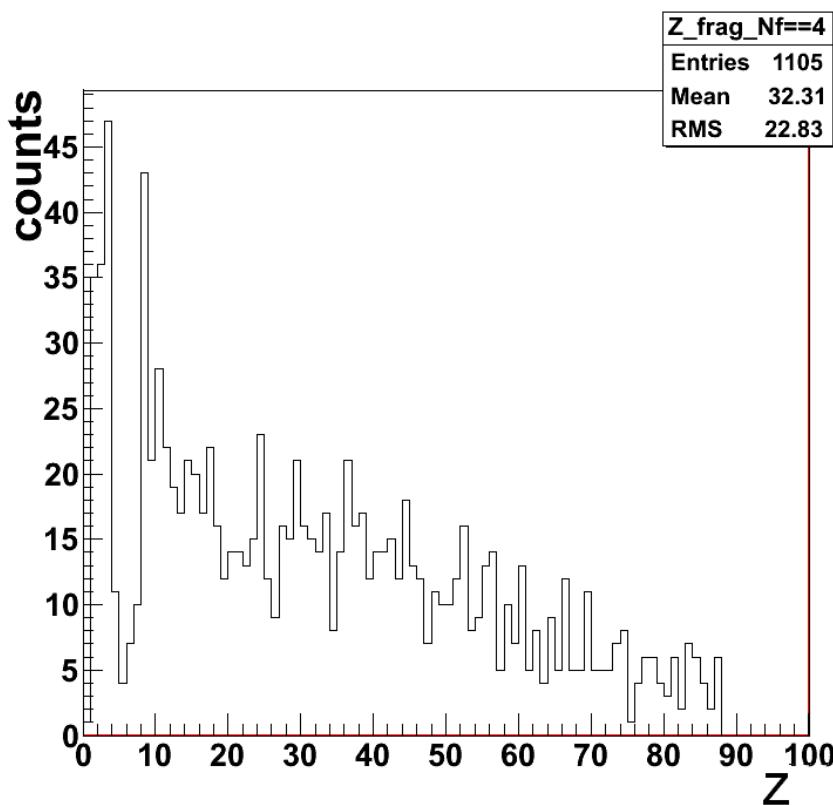
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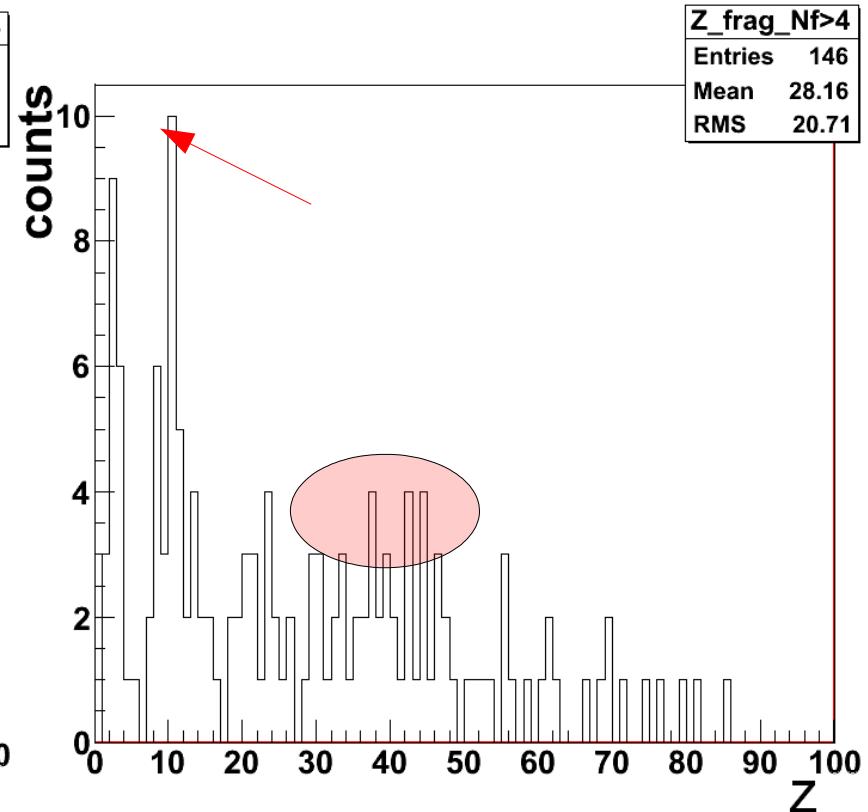
# Charge distribution

$$Z_{f, \text{threshold}} = 8$$

Number of fragments : 4



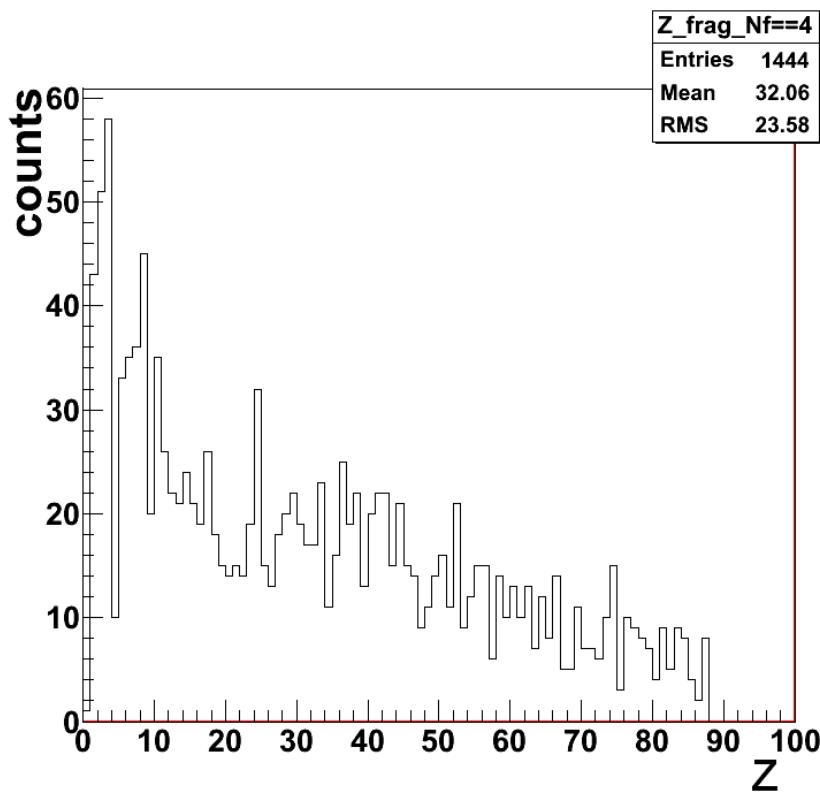
Number of fragments :  $\geq 5$



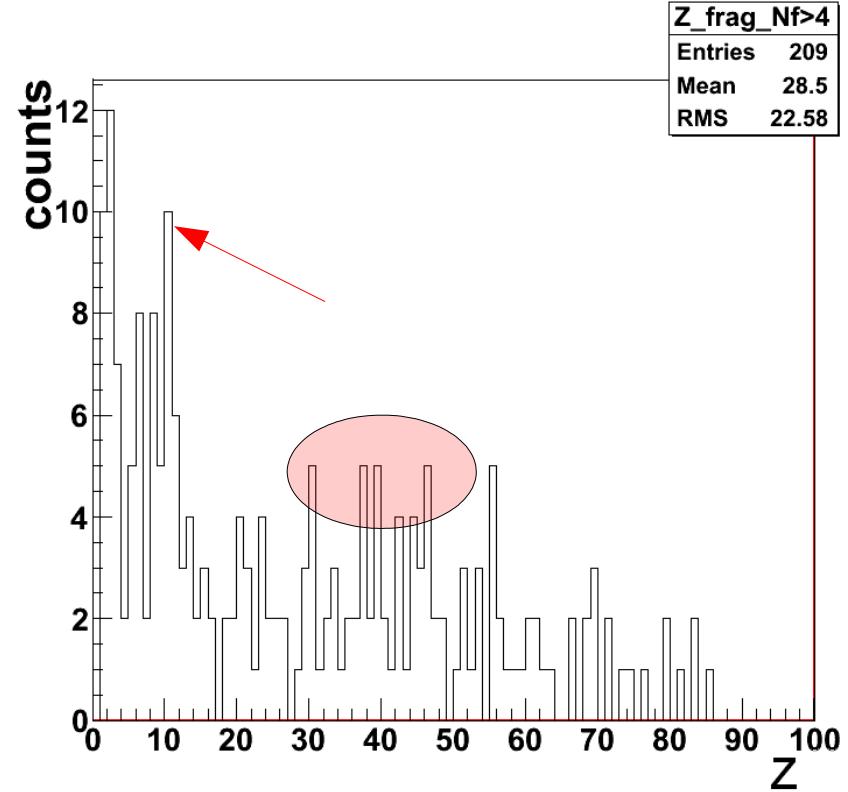
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Number of fragments : 4



Number of fragments :  $\geq 5$



# **Summary**

- Energy calibration of Si detectors have been completed.  
Energy loss in CsI detectors was taken into account.
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- Charge identification of fragments is complete.
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- Mass identification procedure for fragments stopped in Si detectors is complete.
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- Selection of events corresponding to central collisions is in progress.

# Breakup Collaboration

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# Thank you for your attention

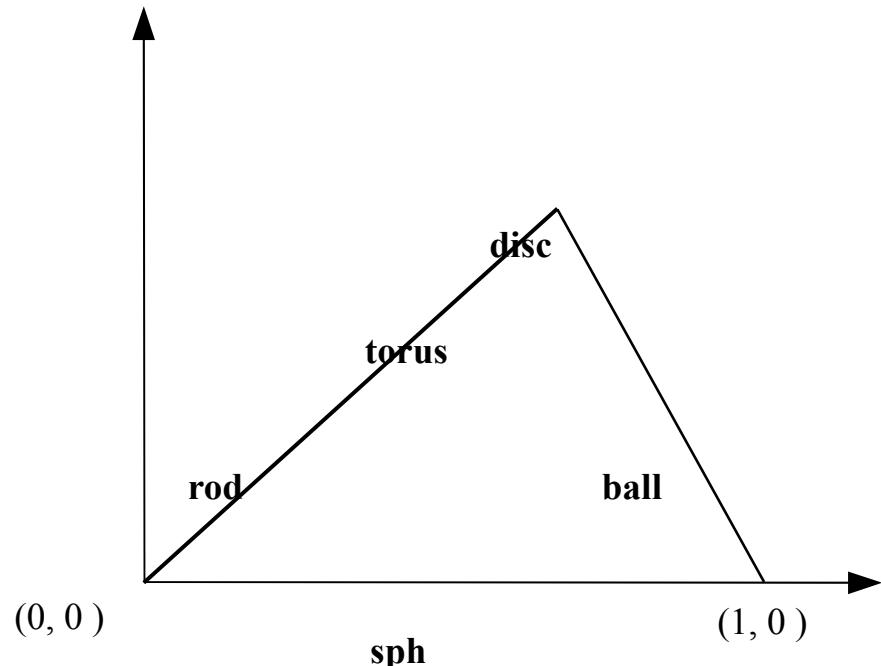
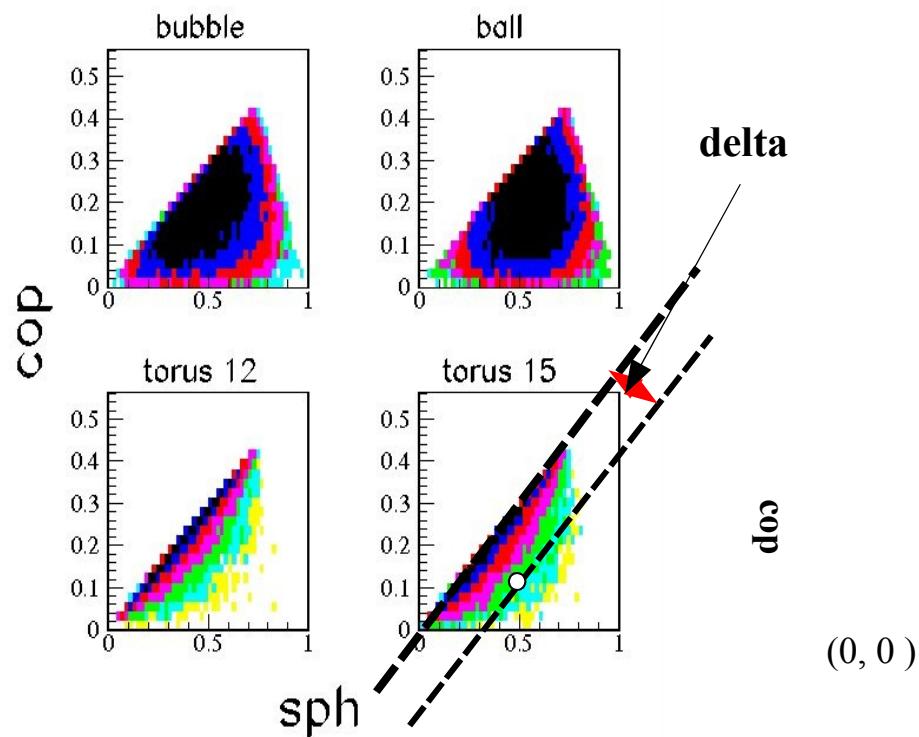


# Identification method for toroidal freeze-out configuration

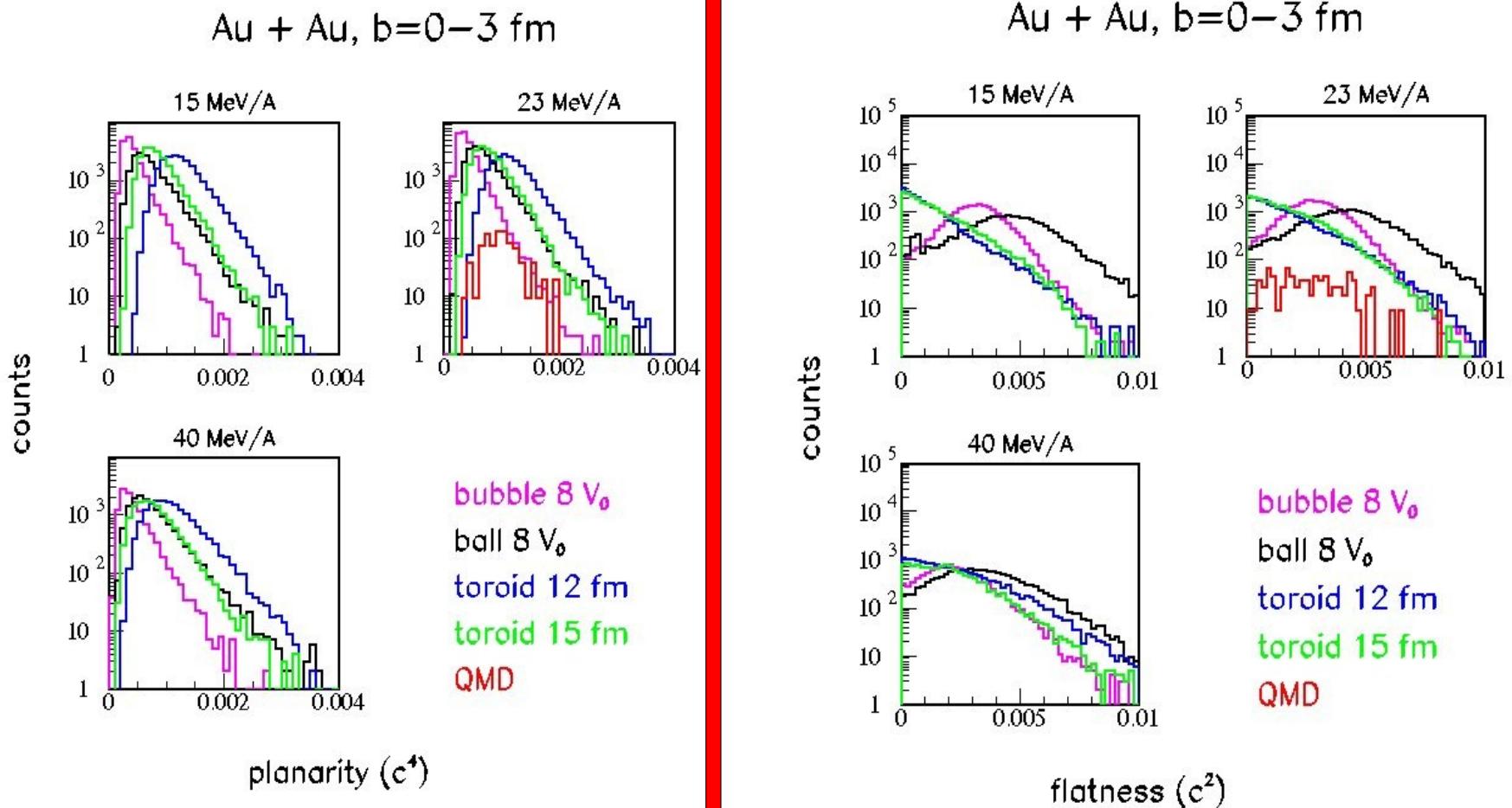
To distinguish between different geometries we plan to use global shape variables proposed in Sochocka PhD thesis:

- $\delta$  - related to sphericity and coplanarity
- $\Delta$  – flatness parameter
- ETNA model predictions

# Observables definition



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# ETNA – Expecting Toroidal Nuclear Agglomeration + GEMINI Code

## Flow diagram

$$A_{CN} = A_T + A_P$$

$$Z_{CN} = Z_T + Z_P$$

minus preequilibrium nucleons

Drawing of fragments:

- Gaussian distribution

$$\langle Z_{frag} \rangle = Z_{tot} / N$$

N – number of fragments

$$N = 5$$

All the fragments are placed in ball, bubble and toroidal configuration with additional condition:  $R_{ij} > R_i + R_j + 2fm$

Non - central collisions are taken into account up to given impact parameter b

**Partition of the available energy:**

$$E_{ava} = E_{CM} + Q - E_{COULOMB}$$

**Available energy is distributed between:**

$$E_{ava} = E^* + E_{th} = NaT^2 + 3/2k(N-1)T ; \text{ assuming equal temperatures, } N - \text{number of fragments}$$

**The dynamical GEMINI code:**

- sequential decay of excited fragments
- acceleration in the mutual Coulomb field

**Detection of particles in the CHIMERA detector**

,   detector number   rand ,  rand

$$E_{thr} = 1 \text{ MeV/A}$$

$$\square Z_{FWHM} = 1 \text{ ch.u.}$$

$$A = 2.2 * Z \text{ ( GEMINI prediction )}$$