

# Status of PSA investigation and optimization

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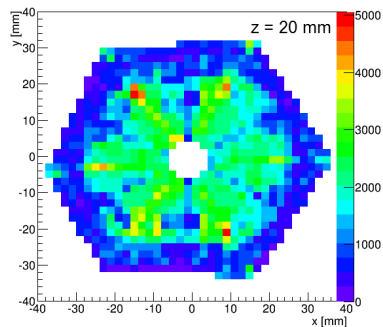


- PSA performance characterization
  - Clustering
  - High statistic grid points
  - Investigation of grid search
- PSA optimization
  - Input parameters
    - Detector properties
    - Proper setup of algorithm
  - Exemplarily shown for optimization of transfer function



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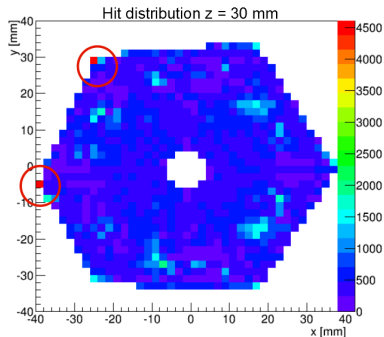
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■ Clustering!

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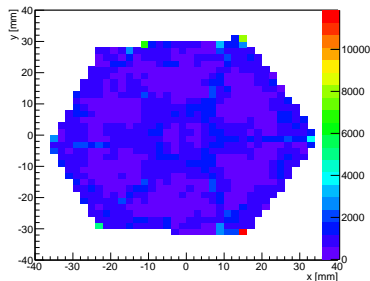
- High Statistic Grid Points (HSGP)!



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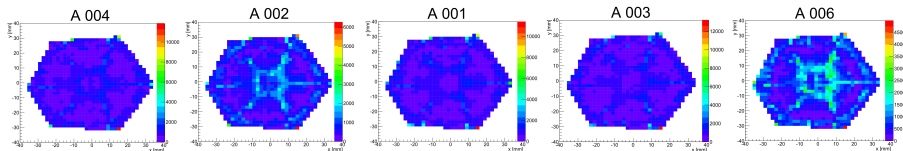
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Detector 0 (A004),  
z=10-12 mm

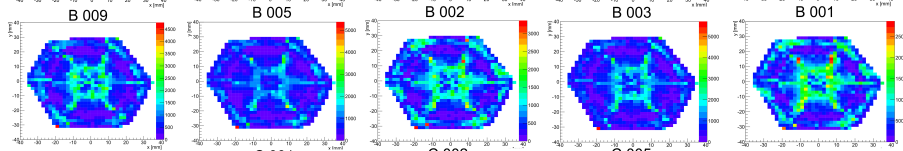


$z=10-12$  mm

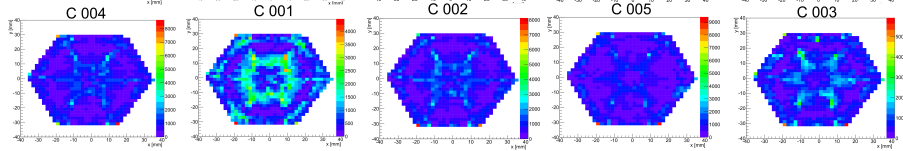
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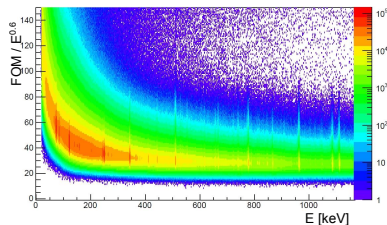


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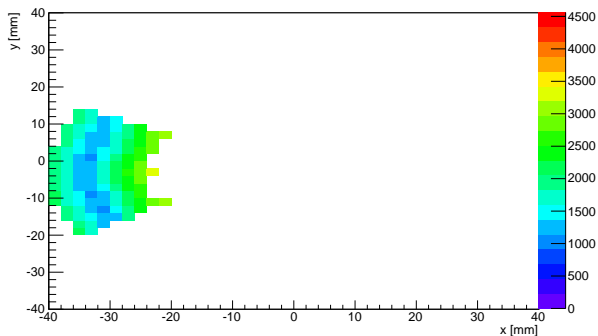
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- Problems with: Low energies, front of the detector, segment borders, edge of detector

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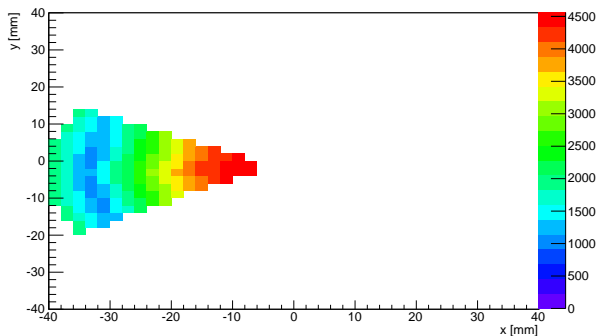
z=54-56 mm





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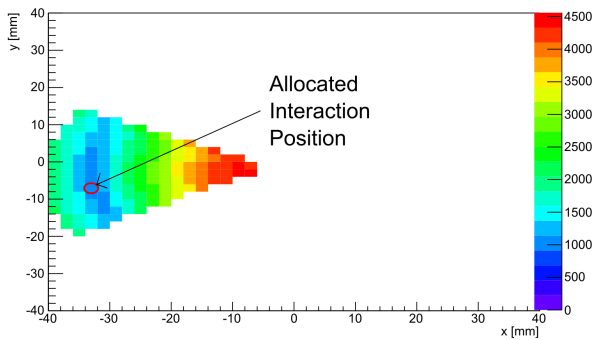


z=56-58 mm



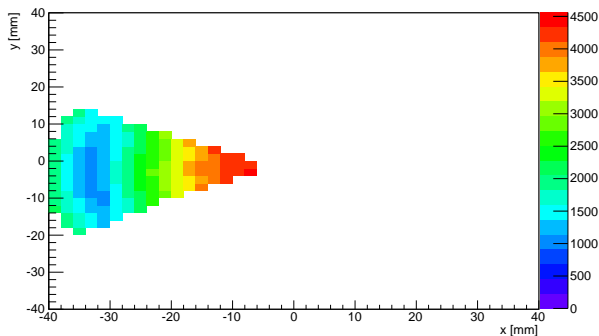
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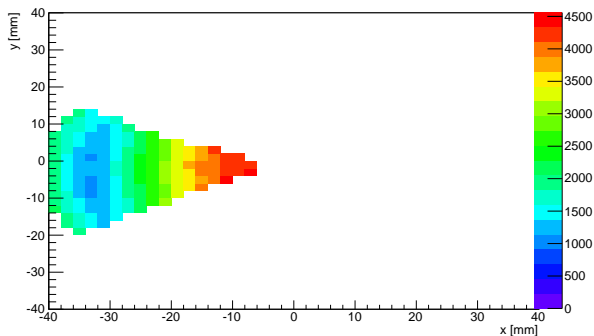
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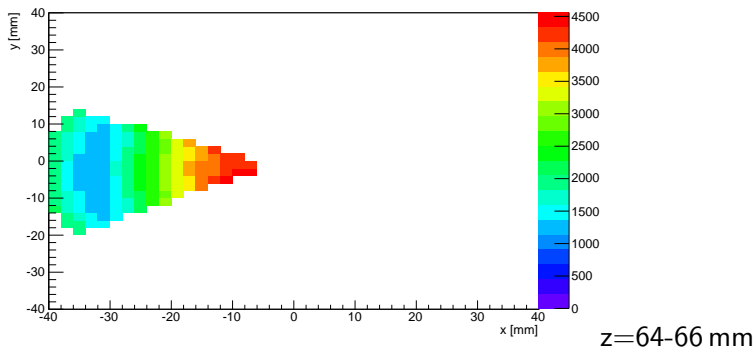


z=62-64 mm



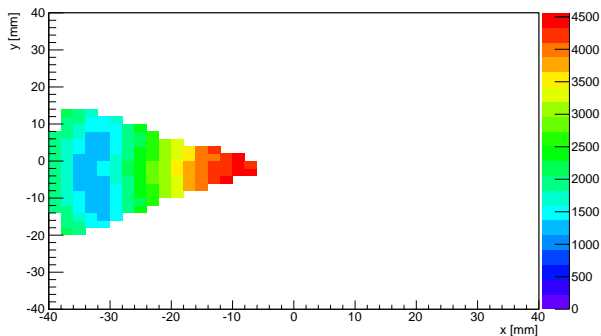
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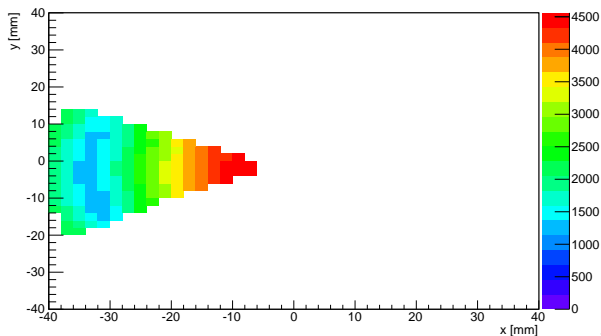


z=66-68 mm



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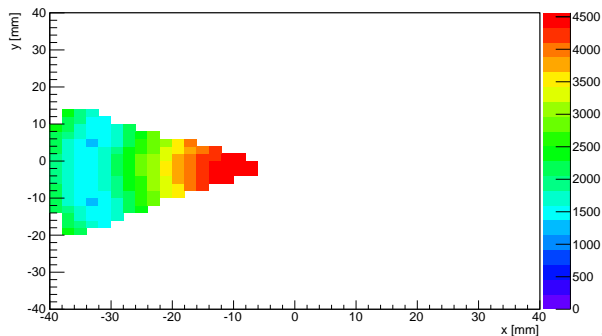


z=68-70 mm



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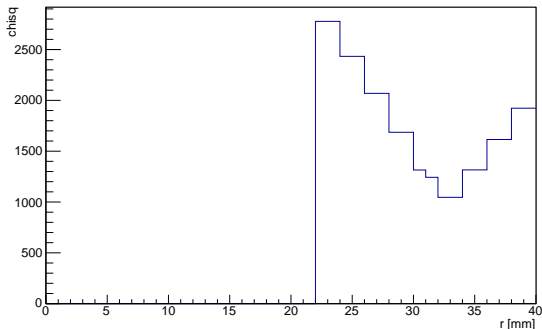
z=70-72 mm





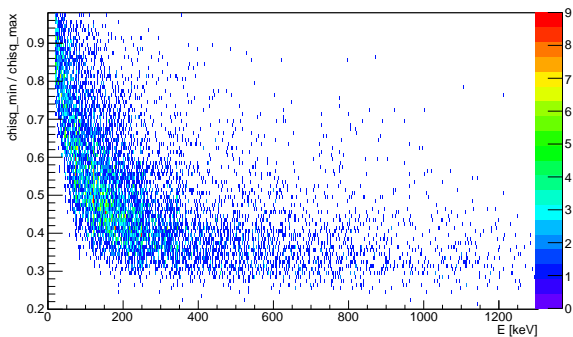
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- Radial dependence of  $\chi^2(\vec{r})$  ( $\pm 10$  mm from minimum)
- Radial position seems reliable. Angular resolution difficult
- Depth of minimum =  $\chi^2_{min}/\chi^2_{max} \Rightarrow$  **reliability** of PSA result



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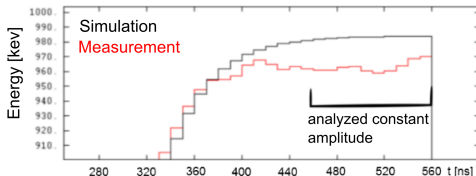
- Energy dependence of depth of minimum (10k events)
- Small energies problematic



# PSA optimization

Detector and electronics properties:

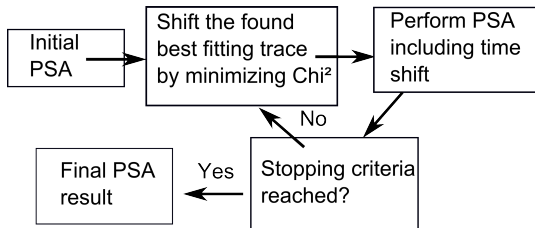
- Transfer function of preamplifier and digitizer (rise times)
- Preamplifier decay times for every segment and core (Scaling of database)
- Differential Crosstalk
- Space Charge (impurity concentrations)



# PSA optimization

Setup of the algorithm:

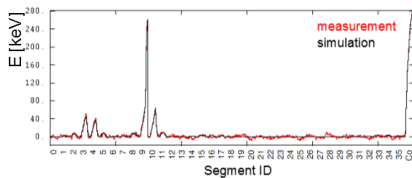
- Distance metric  $\chi^2 = \sum_t |\text{Simulation}(t) - \text{Measurement}(t)|^p$
- **Time alignment:**
  - Constant shift for every segment/core
  - **Dynamic Shift during PSA on event by event basis**
    - Stopping criteria (number of loops, min/max shift)
    - Number of ticks included (only  $\approx$  rise time)
    - Metric  $\chi^2 = \sum_t |\text{Simulation}(t) - \text{Measurement}(t + t_{\text{shift}})|^p$



# How to chose parameters

No information on real interaction position

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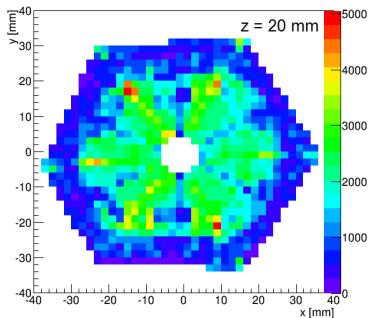
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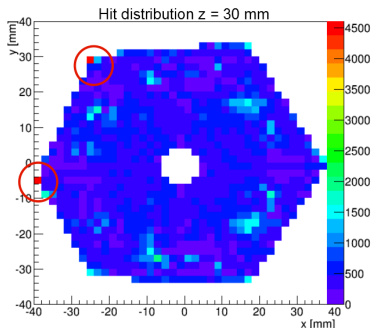


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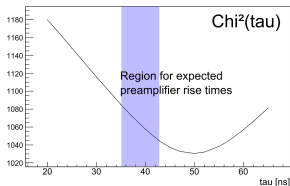
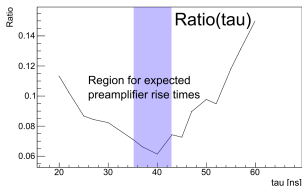
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  - **High statistic grid points (Ratio of hits inside HSGP compared to rest)**

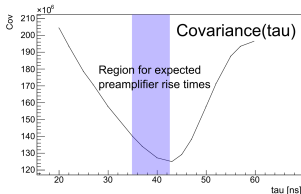


# Example of optimization - Transfer function

- Transfer function of preamplifier and digitizer
- 'Effective'  $\tau$
- Performed for every 540 segments (and 15 cores)



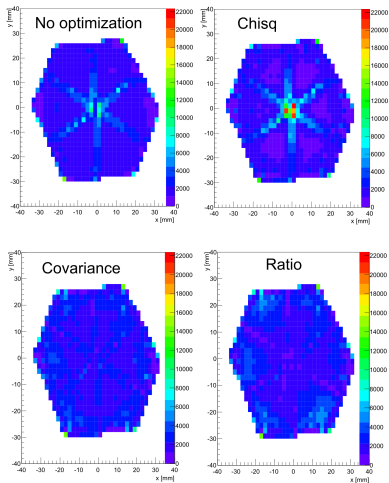
-Minima correspond to optimal tau value  
-Shown for segment 7 of detector 13





# Impact on hit distribution

- Results with different optimization methods

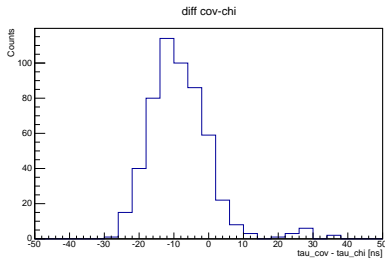
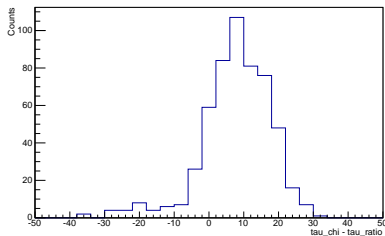


Detector 1,  $z=0-2$  mm



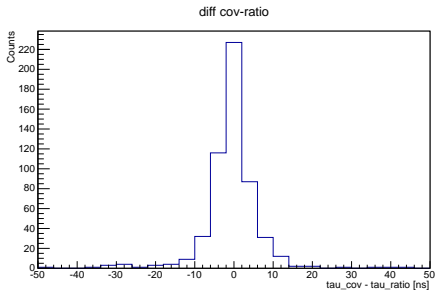
# Transfer Function

- Minima positions are similar, but do not coincide 100%
- Differences of optimal  $\tau$  values derived via different determination methods



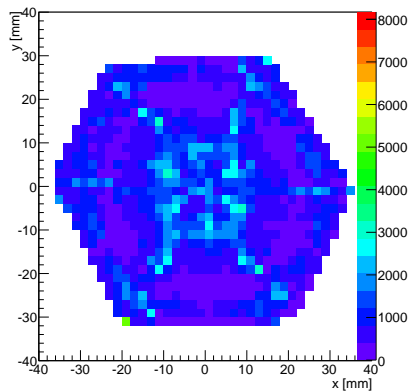
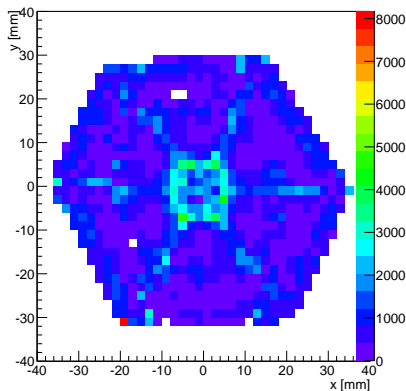
# Transfer Function

- $\tau_{chi}$  is systematically bigger than  $\tau_{cov}$  and  $\tau_{ratio}$
- $\tau_{cov}$  and  $\tau_{ratio}$  coincide very well
- $\frac{\tau_{cov} + \tau_{ratio}}{2}$  is used for optimizing all 555 channels



# Optimization

- Before (left) and after (right) **complete** Optimization
- Exemplarily for det 1,  $z=10-12$  mm. All energies



# Summary and Outlook

## Summary

- Characterization and optimization of PSA performance
- Clustering and non physical allocation of hits could be reduced...
- ...but not removed

## Outlook:

- Reiteration of optimization (input parameters are not independent)
- Measure transfer function of digitizer and preamplifier
- Use scanning table data / collimated source measurements
- Impact of PSA optimization on tracking performance

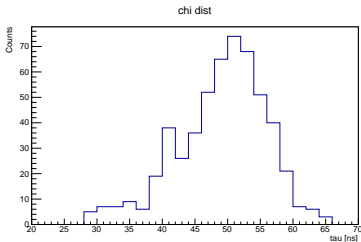
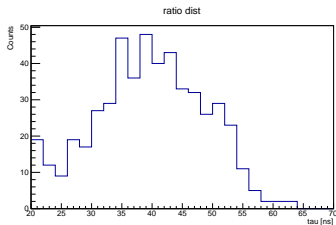
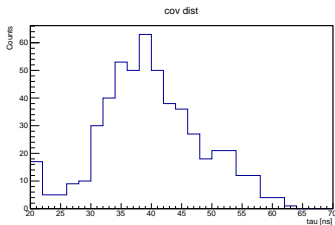


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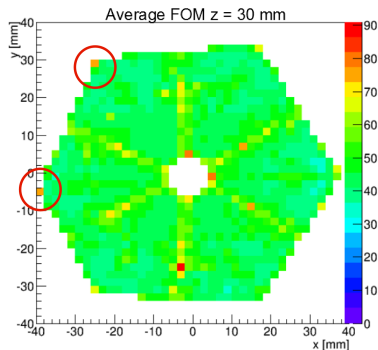
# Transfer function

- Distribution of found  $\tau$  values (one for each segment)



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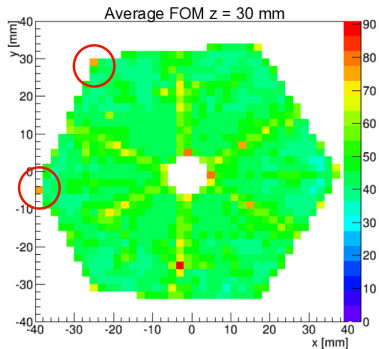
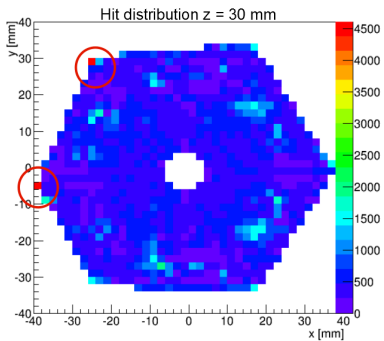
- Distribution of hits
- **Distribution of final  $\chi^2(\vec{r}, E)$  ('Figure of Merit')**
- If unexpected PSA results: Segment/Detector/general?
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- Non homogeneous!



# Comparison of hit distribution and mean $\chi^2$

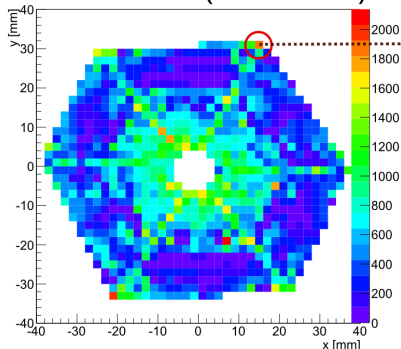


# Segment and detector performance

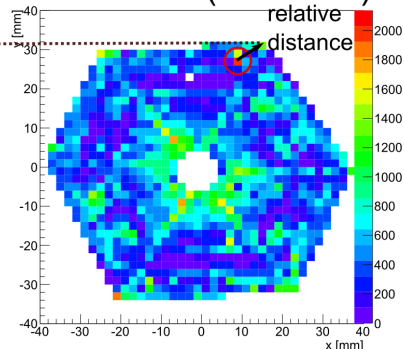
## Distance of High Statistic Grid Points (HSGP)

- Investigate relative position of HSGPs
- Same or similar spot in all detectors?

Detector 1 (z=22 mm)

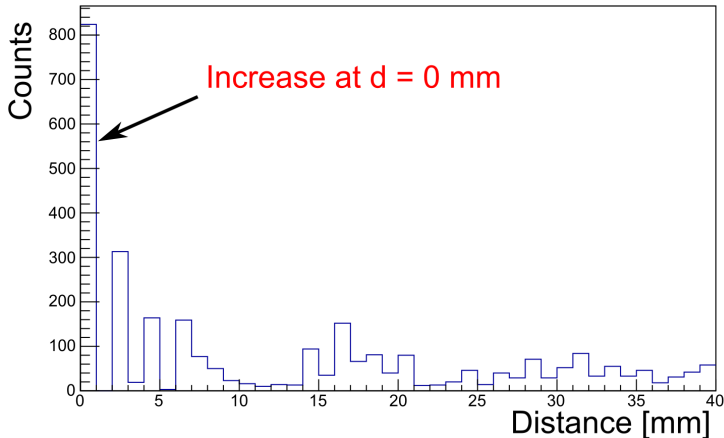


Detector 4 (z=22 mm)



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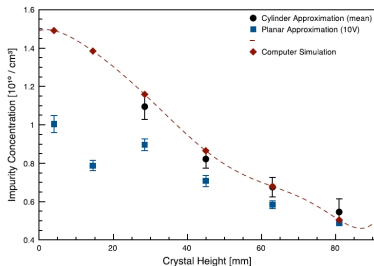
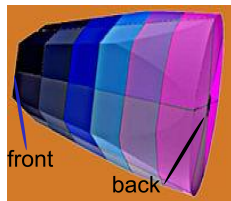
- Search for HSGP segment wise
- HSGP positions at characteristic spots
- *General* problem that exists for every detector



# The AGATA Data Library

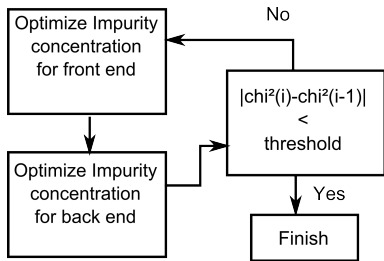
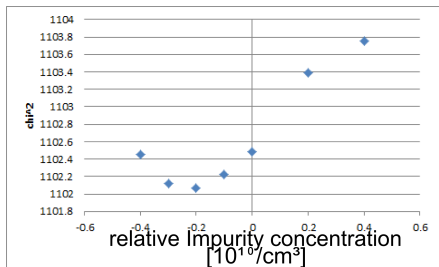
The AGATA Data Library (ADL) contains the signals for every possible interaction point

- Consider **impurity concentration of the crystal**
- Not constant over whole crystal
- Assumptions: cylindrical symmetry, no radial change, linear gradient from front to back
- Two dimensional optimization problem: Iterative method
- Impurity concentration in the order of  $10^{10}/\text{cm}^3$



# Optimization of the Impurity Concentration

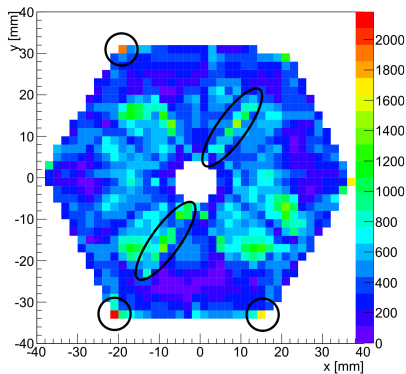
- Use average  $\chi^2$  of best fit of all interactions of source run as minimization variable
- Imp. concentration is given relative to start value provided by manufacturer
- Imp. Concentrations for back and front not independent and cannot be evaluated separately
- Iterative method uses output of previous step as input



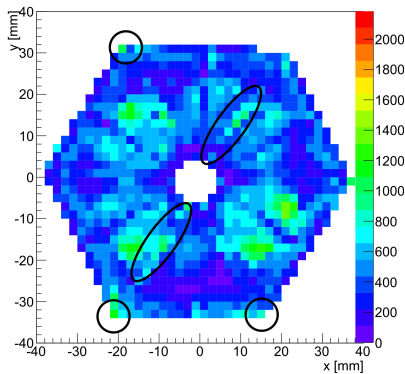
# Optimization of the Impurity Concentration

## Results of the optimization

Detector 14, z=28mm, before optimization

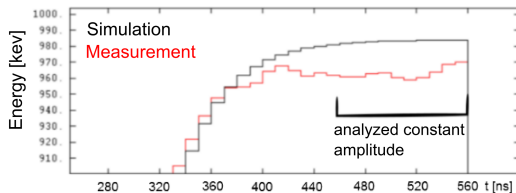


Detector 14, z=28mm, after optimization



# Comparison of Measurement and Simulation

- Amplitudes of measurement and simulation do not coincide
- Systematic deviation

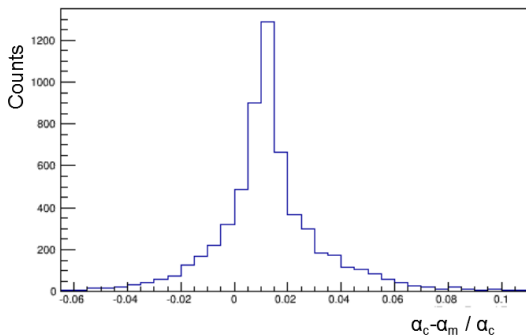


## Calibration of calculated signals

- Amplitude of simulation depends on decay time  $\tau$  of preamplifier



# Energy shift of simulation



Variation of  $\tau$  for every preamplifier: 555 parameters!

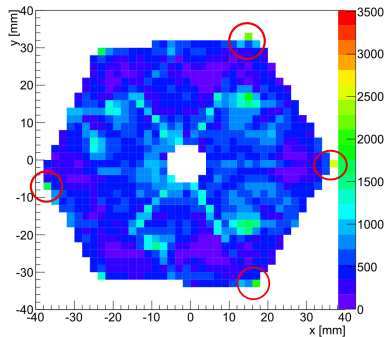
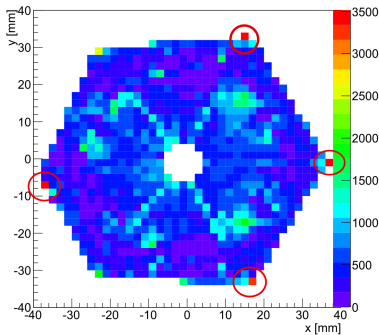
$$\tau_{\text{new}} = \tau(1 - m), \quad m = \text{mean of distribution}$$





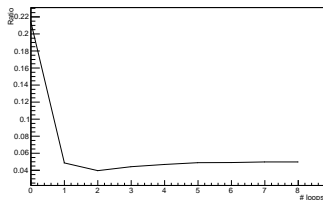
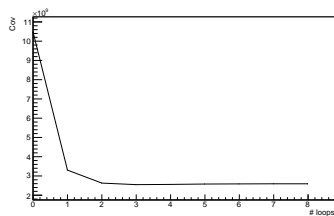
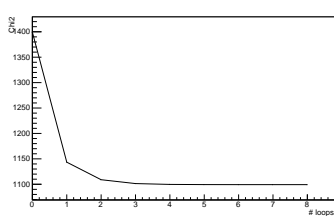
# Impact on PSA

- Improvement of HSGP at highlighted spots



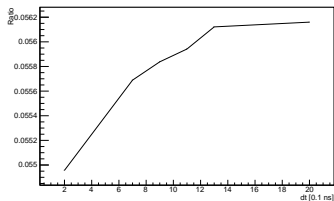
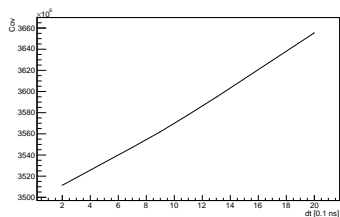
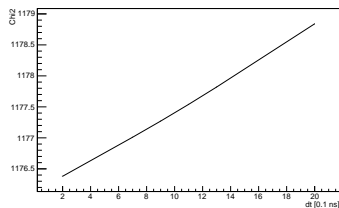
# Maximum number of loops

- Vary allowed number of maximum loops for TA after PSA
- Algorithm converges ✓



# Minimum Shift

- If minimal time shift  $dt$  is reached, the algorithm stops
- (Obviously) small  $dt$  are preferred, but change is very small (std value=1.5 ns)



# Local time alignment

- For a fast algorithm the time alignment assumes a *convex* function
- The next time shift is only performed if  $\chi^2$  improved in the previous step
- If  $\chi^2[n]$  is not a convex function only a local minimum will be found

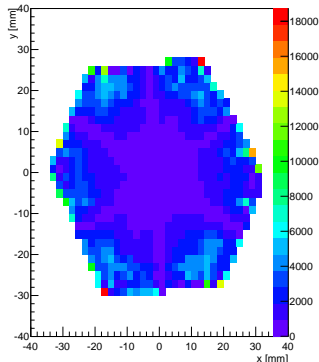
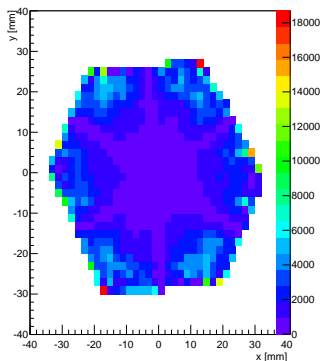
$\chi^2$  of time shift  $n$

$$\chi^2[n] = \sum_{i=0}^{21} (A^m[i+n] - A^s[i])^2$$



# Global time alignment

- Therefore a global time alignment was implemented that evaluates the  $\chi^2$  for every time shift and then searches the minimum
- Good news: The global time alignment gives nearly the same results as the fast algorithm  $\Rightarrow \chi^2[n]$  behaves like a convex function



Standard and global time alignment algorithms (with nearly same results) [det1, z0]

# Time alignment after PSA

- TA after PSA uses  $\chi^2$  like parameter
- Reminder:  $\chi^2$  in PSA is determined with set distance metric

## Figure of Merit

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{t_i, j} |A_j^m[t_i] - A_j^s[t_i]|^p$$

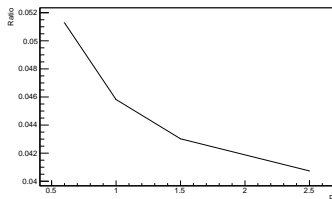
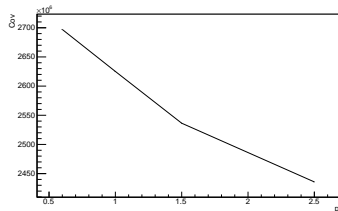
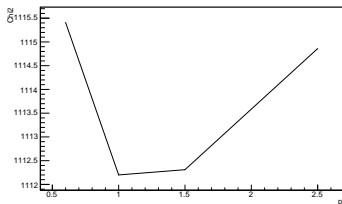
Measured  $A^m$  and simulated signal  $A^s$  of segment id  $j$  and time  $t_i$

- In the time alignment only the square of the differences is used  
⇒ Room for improvement?

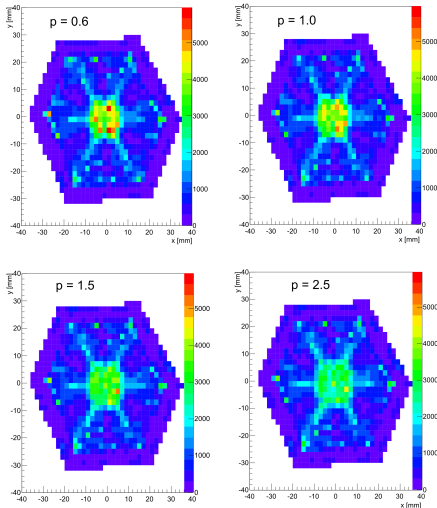


# Distance metric in the time alignment

- The  $\chi^2$  in the TA is now derived in the same way as in the PSA
- The distance metric parameter  $p$  is varied
- Compared to PSA significantly higher values seem to be favored



# Impact of distance metric on hit distributions

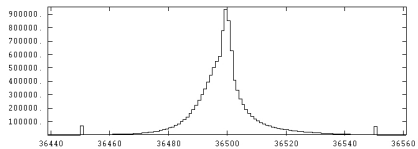
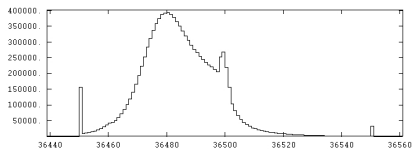


- Detector 1,  $z=6$  mm
- The time alignment seems to favor higher values for  $p$
- Even beyond Euclidian metric



# Preprocessing time alignment

- Before the first PSA and time alignment afterwards, a constant time shift is applied to each core (and therefore to each segment)
- Values used from dissertation Birkenbach, choosing the values in such a way that the PSA TA has to shift minimal
- Shifts of PSA with and without preprocessing TA are shown for one
- Axis in ns + arbitrary offset



# Preprocessing time alignment

With (left) and without (right) preprocessing time alignment

