



Status Report on the Geodetic and Alignment Results for the NuMI/MINOS Project at Fermilab

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INTRODUCTION

- Part of the neutrino research program at Fermilab is the search for non-zero neutrino mass
- Looks for neutrino oscillations ($\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$) or ($\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$)
- **NuMI** (Neutrinos at the Main Injector) has built a new particle beamline capable of directing a pure beam of muon neutrinos
- **MINOS** (Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search) experiment uses NuMI beam to search with significantly greater sensitivity for neutrino oscillations utilizing two detectors:
 - "near" detector - located close to the neutrino source (1 km away from the target)
 - "far" detector - 735 km away, in a deep underground mine in northern Minnesota, 710 m below the surface

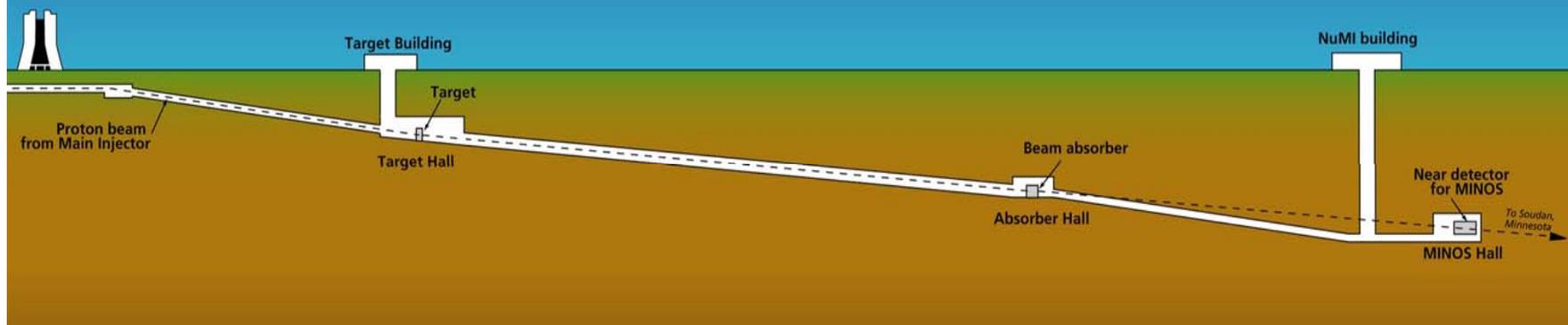


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NuMI Tunnels and Halls

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NuMI Tunnel Project

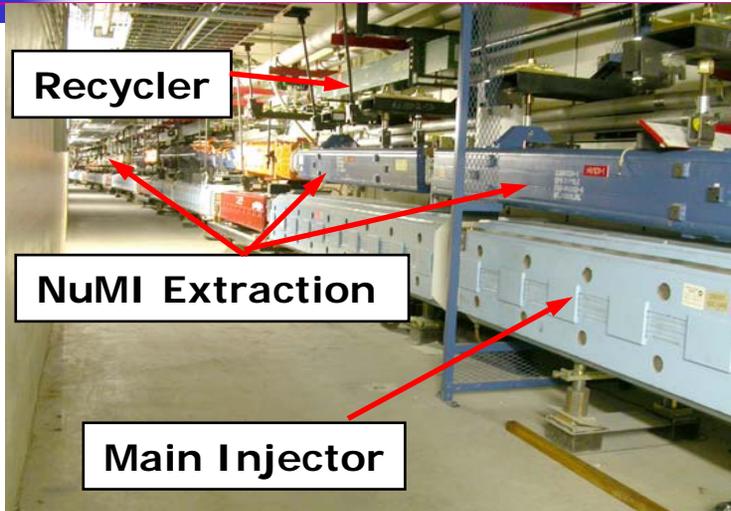




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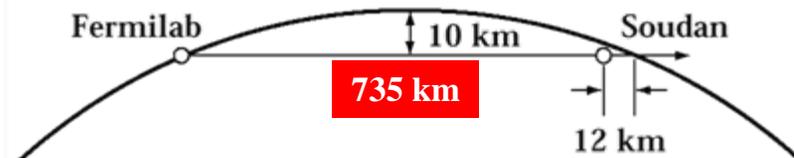
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NuMI Beamline

From Fermilab to Soudan, MN



Alignment Tolerances

- primary proton pointed ± 12 m at the far detector (± 3.4 arc second)
- neutrino beam centered ± 75 m at the far detector (± 21 arc second)

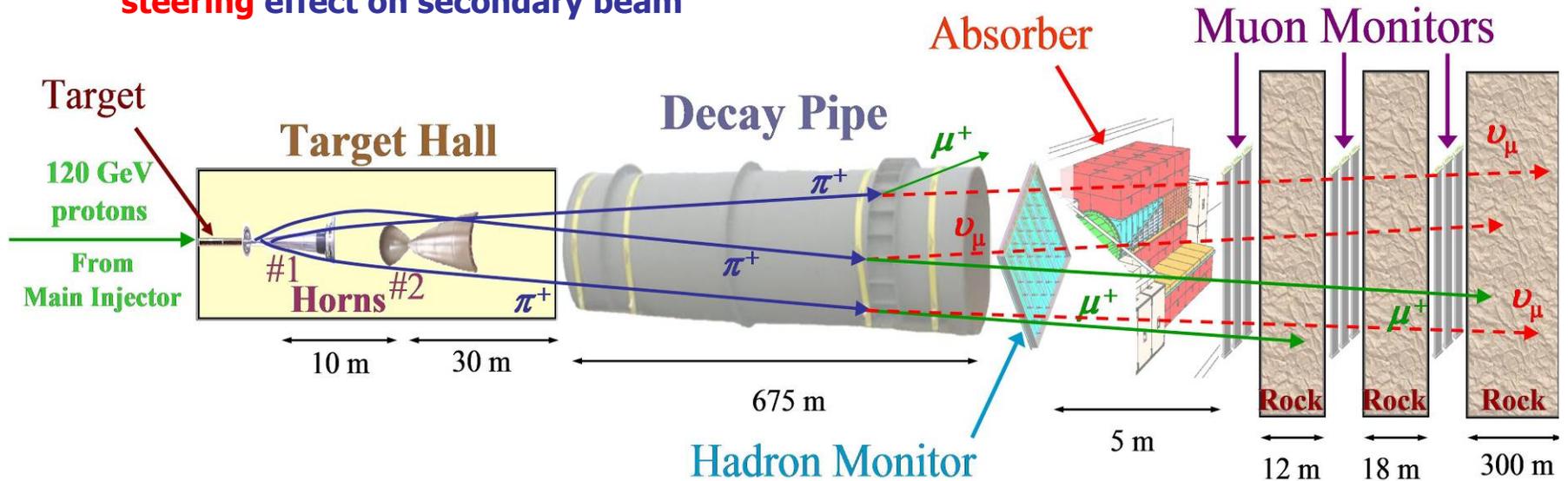
Beam position at target	± 0.45 mm
Beam angle at target	± 0.7 mrad
Target position - each end	± 0.5 mm
Horn 1 position - each end	± 0.5 mm
Horn 2 position - each end	± 0.5 mm
Decay pipe position	± 20 mm
Downstream Hadron monitor	± 25 mm
Muon Monitors	± 25 mm
Near Detector	± 25 mm
Far Detector	± 12 m

- NuMI is mainly sensitive to final primary beam trajectory
- beamline components, target, and horn alignment => relative positions to ± 0.35 mm (1σ)

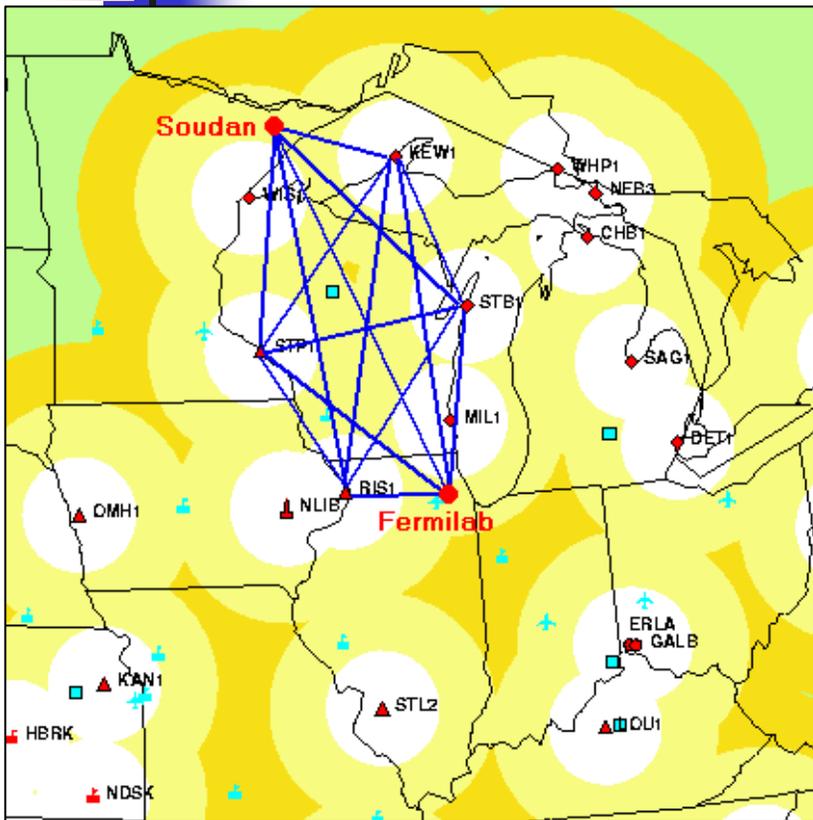
NuMI: Neutrino Beam

From Protons to Muon Neutrinos (ν_μ)

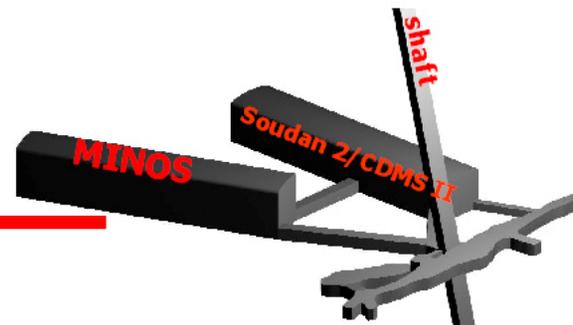
Focusing Horns misalignments have **steering** effect on secondary beam



Determination of the Global Positions



- **geodetic orientation parameters of the beam** => absolute & relative positions of target (Fermilab) and far detector (Soudan)
- **GPS tied to national CORS network**
- solution in ITRF96 reference system => transformed in national NAD 83 system
- NGS provided independent solution (excellent agreement)
- **vector known to better than 1 cm horizontally and vertically**
- **inertial survey** through 713 m shaft tied the the 27th level of the mine to surface geodetic control

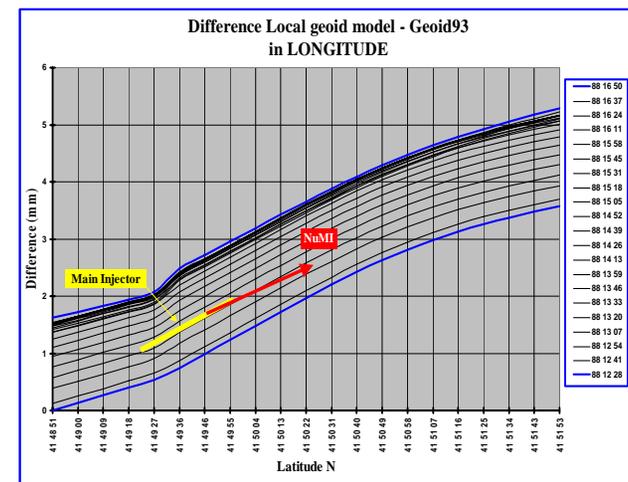
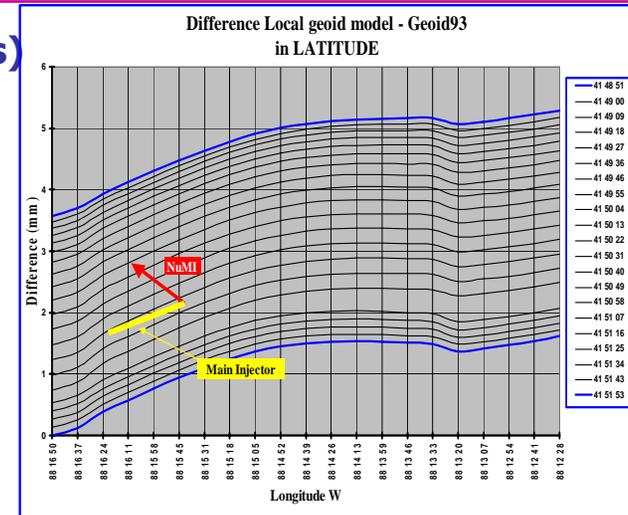
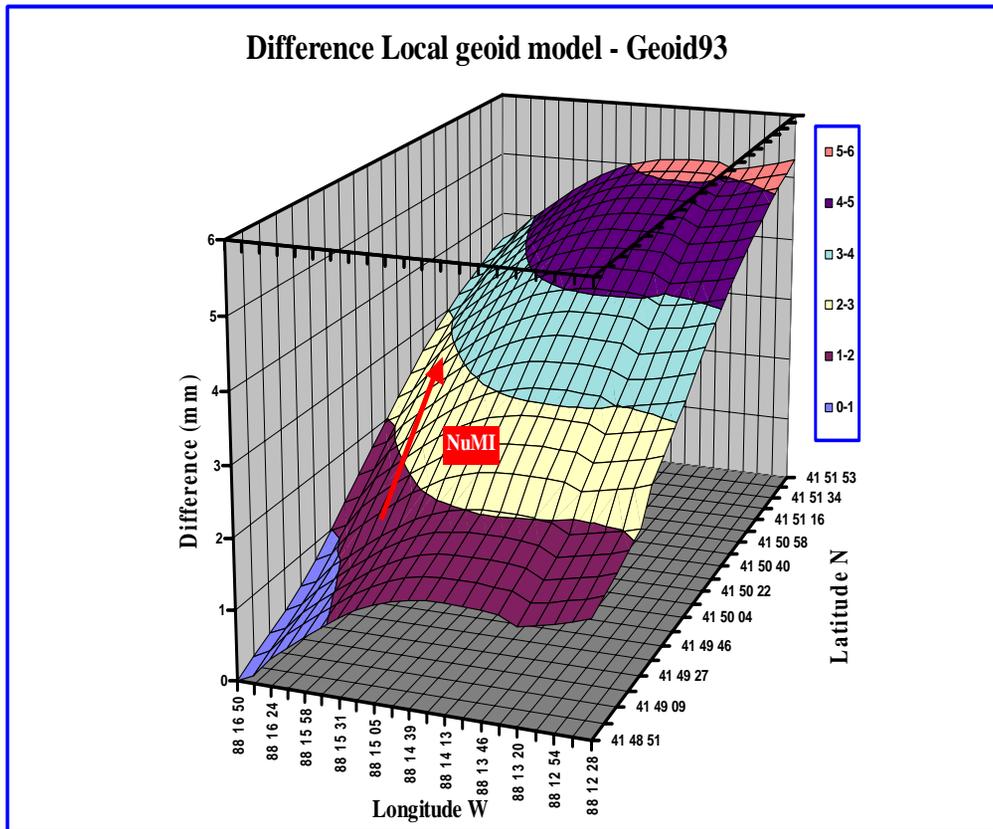


GEOID CONSIDERATION

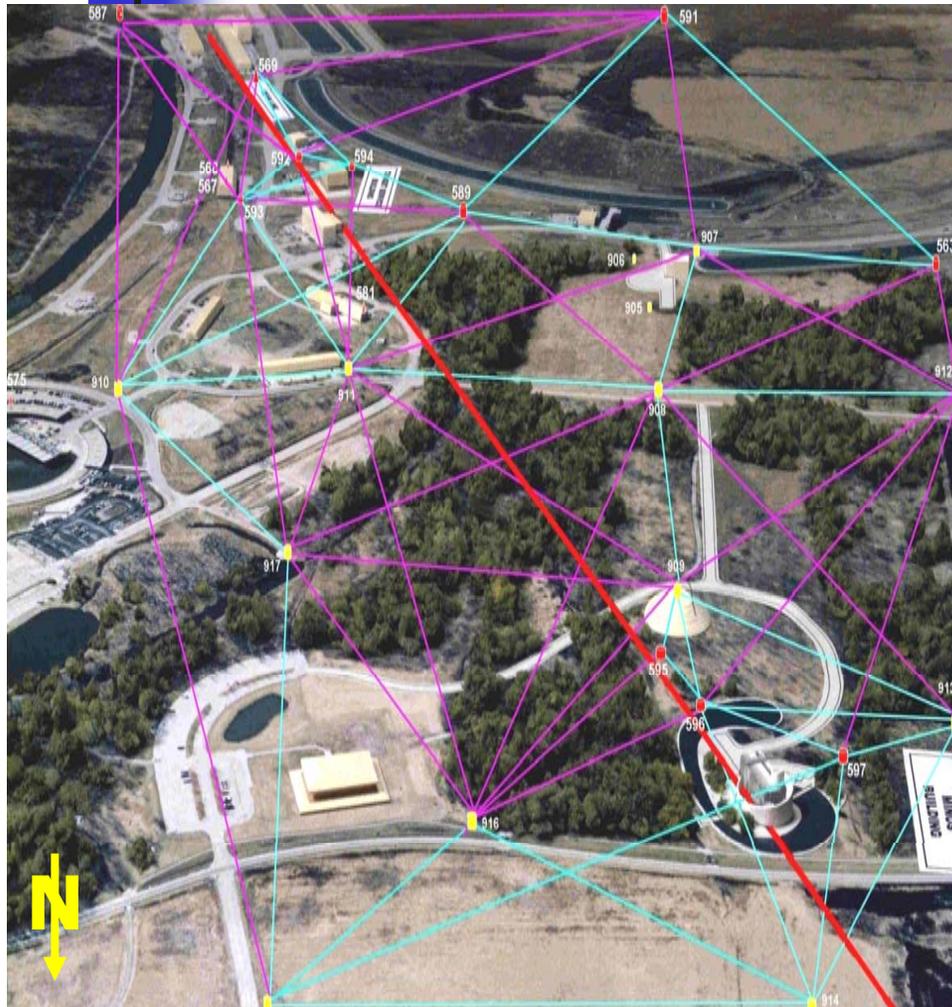
Models Comparison

(Local Geoid Model and NGS Geoid93)

- differences up to **5 mm** (consistent with expected values)
- NuMI beamline in **1.5 mm** range of differences
- **Geoid93** - sufficient to cover tolerance requirements



Primary Geodetic Network at Fermilab



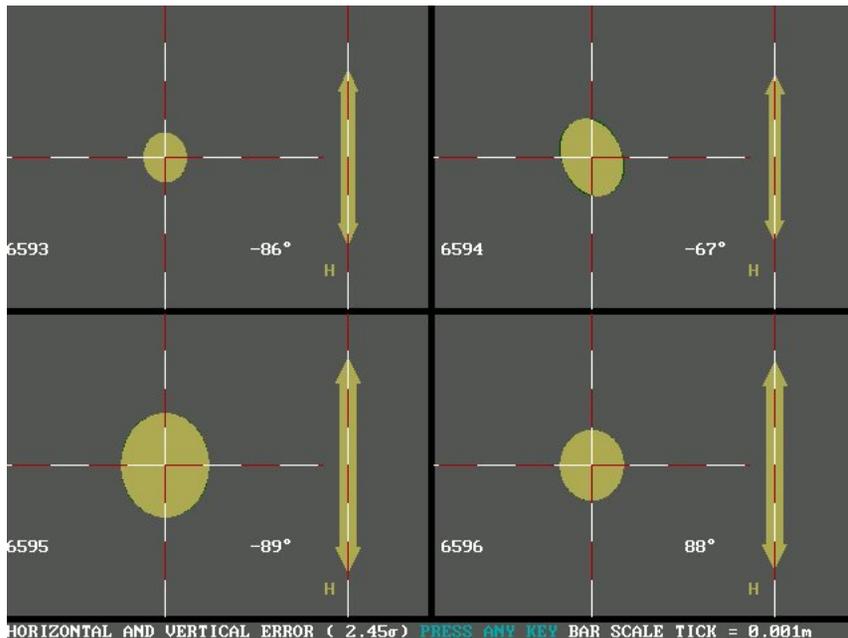
- existing Fermilab control network (accuracy < 2 mm @ 95% confidence level)
- **NAD 83** horizontal geodetic datum (GRS-80 reference ellipsoid)
- **NAVD 88** vertical datum
- **Geoid93** NGS model
- included 3 monuments tied to CORS
- added 6 new geodetic monuments (densification around access shafts)
- **410 GPS, terrestrial, and astronomic observations**
- **error ellipses in millimeter range** (@ 95% confidence level)
- **precision levelling: ± 0.58 mm/km double-run**



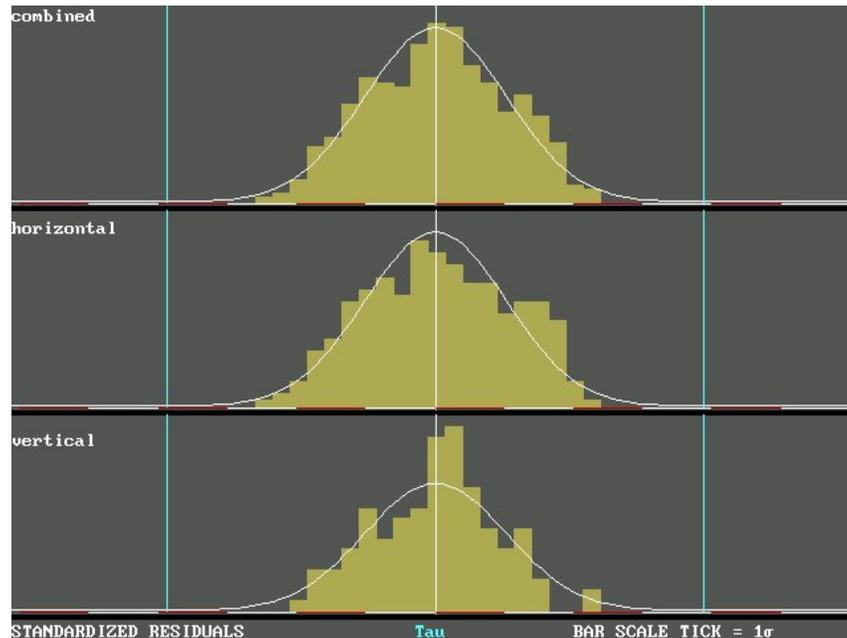
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Primary Geodetic Network Results

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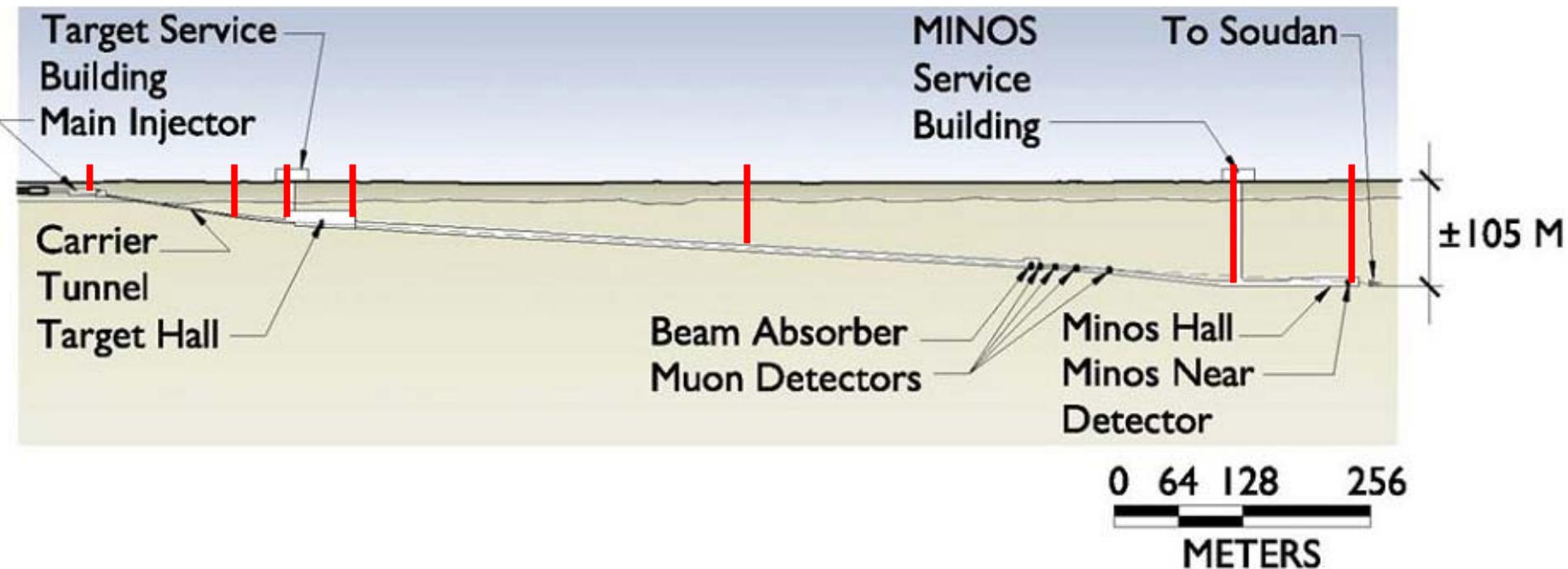
**Error ellipses @ 95% confidence level
(bar scale tick = 1 mm)**



**Histogram of standardized residuals
(bar scale tick = 1 σ)**

Underground Control Networks

- Network simulations => **7** locations for **transferring coordinates** from the surface (3 vertical sight risers, 2 tunnel Access Shafts, 2 Exhaust Air Vent pipes)



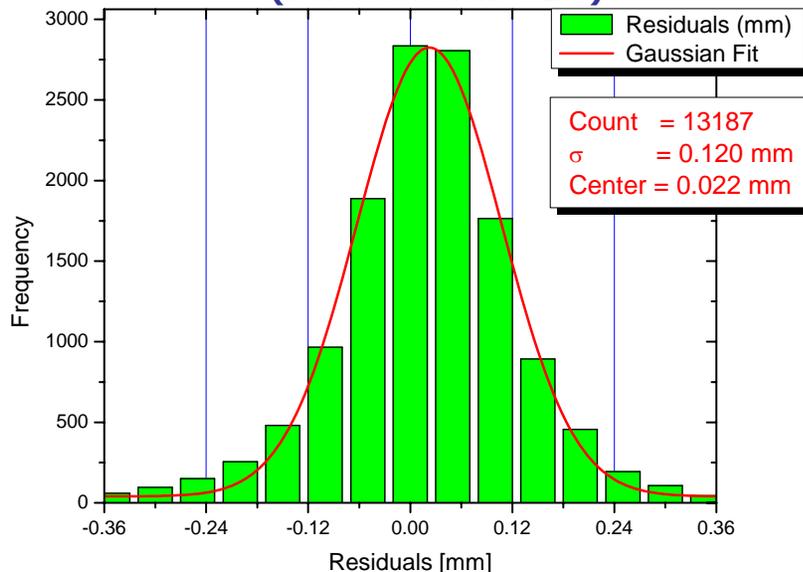
Underground Control Networks

Target Hall and Near Detector Hall

- **First phase:** to support components **installation** in the Target Hall and the construction and **alignment** of the Near Detector in the MINOS Hall
- Measured with the **Laser Tracker** and processed as **trilateration**
- Additional measurements to study/control network behaviour: Mekometer distances, precision angles, and gyro-azimuths
- Network results: **errors below ± 0.35 mm at 95% confidence level**

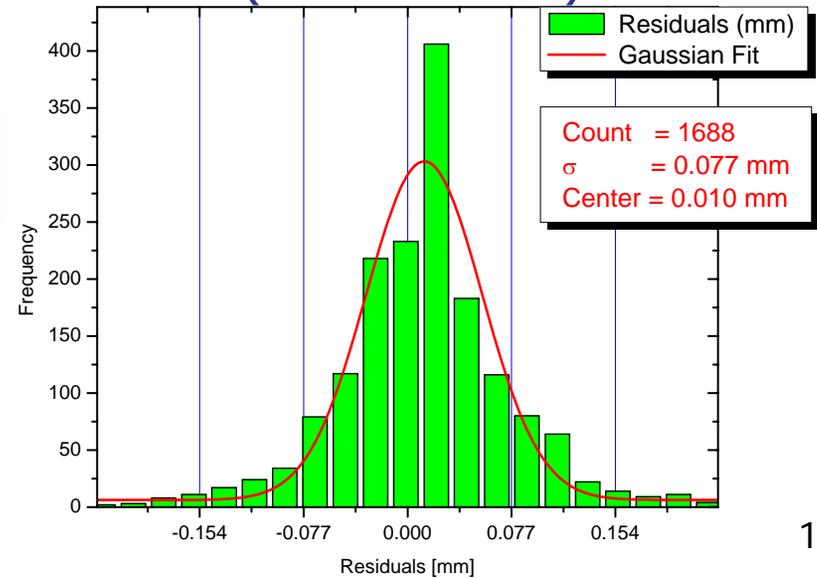
Initial Target Hall Network

Histogram of standardized residuals
 (bar scale tick = 1σ)



MINOS detector Hall Network

Histogram of standardized residuals
 (bar scale tick = 1σ)



Underground Network for the Primary Beam

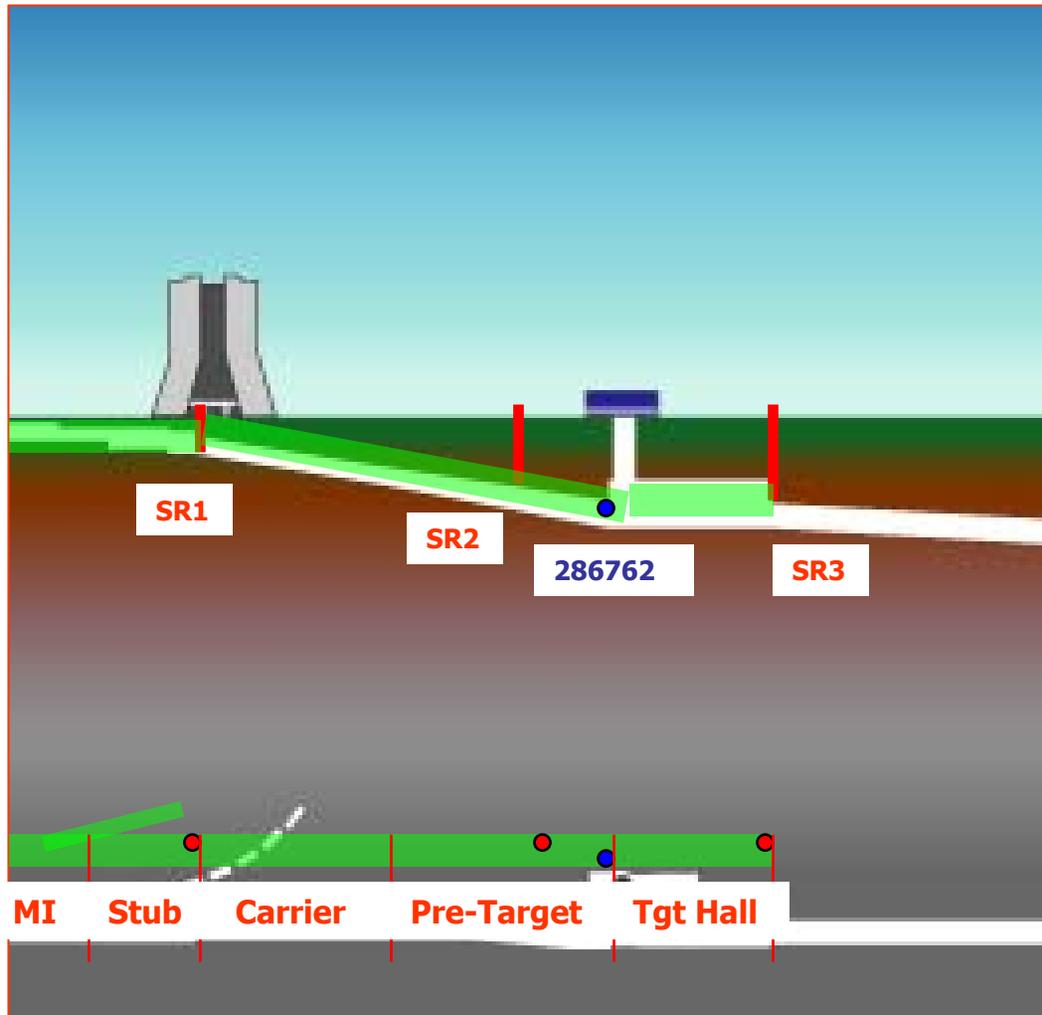
- **Second Phase:** to support the **alignment of Primary Beam components and the Target and focusing Horns**
- **Network:** from MI-60 to the downstream end of the Target Hall
- **Least-Squares Adjustment:** constraints at **MI-60, SR-1, SR-2, and SR-3**
- **Network type:** **Laser Tracker** processed as **trilateration**
- **Additional measurements to study and control network behaviour and for confirmation**
- **23,000 Observations** => **Laser Tracker** ($\sigma=0.050-0.15$ mm), **Mekometer Distances** ($\sigma=0.2$ mm+/- 0.2 ppm), **Precision Angles** ($\sigma=0.3''$), **Optical offsets** ($\sigma=0.2-0.5$ mm), **Gyro Azimuths** ($\sigma=3''$)
- **Azimuth SR2-SR3 confirmed by first order Astronomical Azimuth:** agreement at **0.74 arc second** ($\sigma=\pm 0.21$ arc second)
- **Alignment results:**
 - **Primary beam magnets and instrumentation aligned to ± 0.25 mm**
 - **Target station components aligned to ± 0.5 mm**



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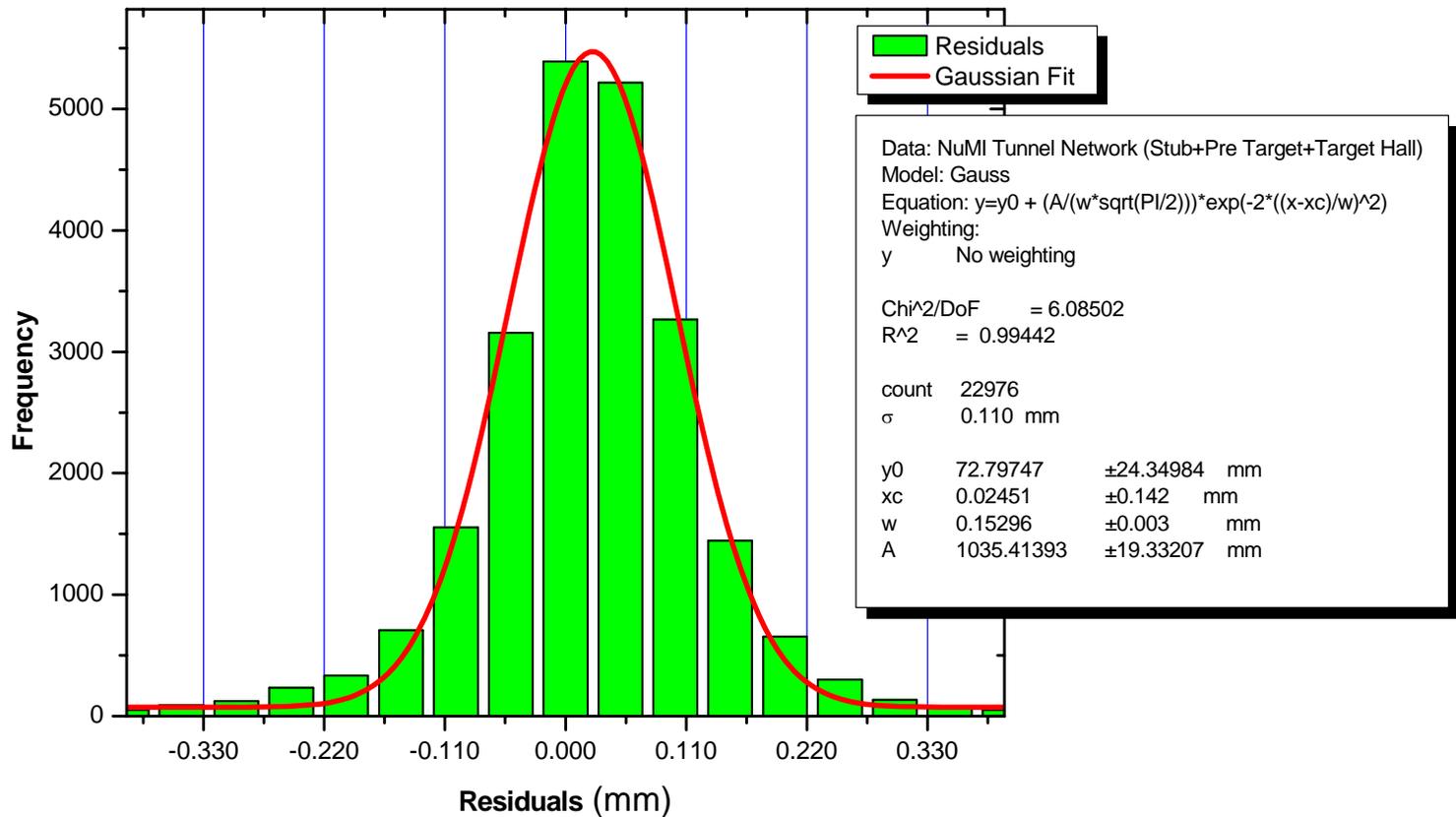
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Underground Network for the Primary Beam

Results: Histogram of Standardized Residuals



(bar scale tick = 1 σ)



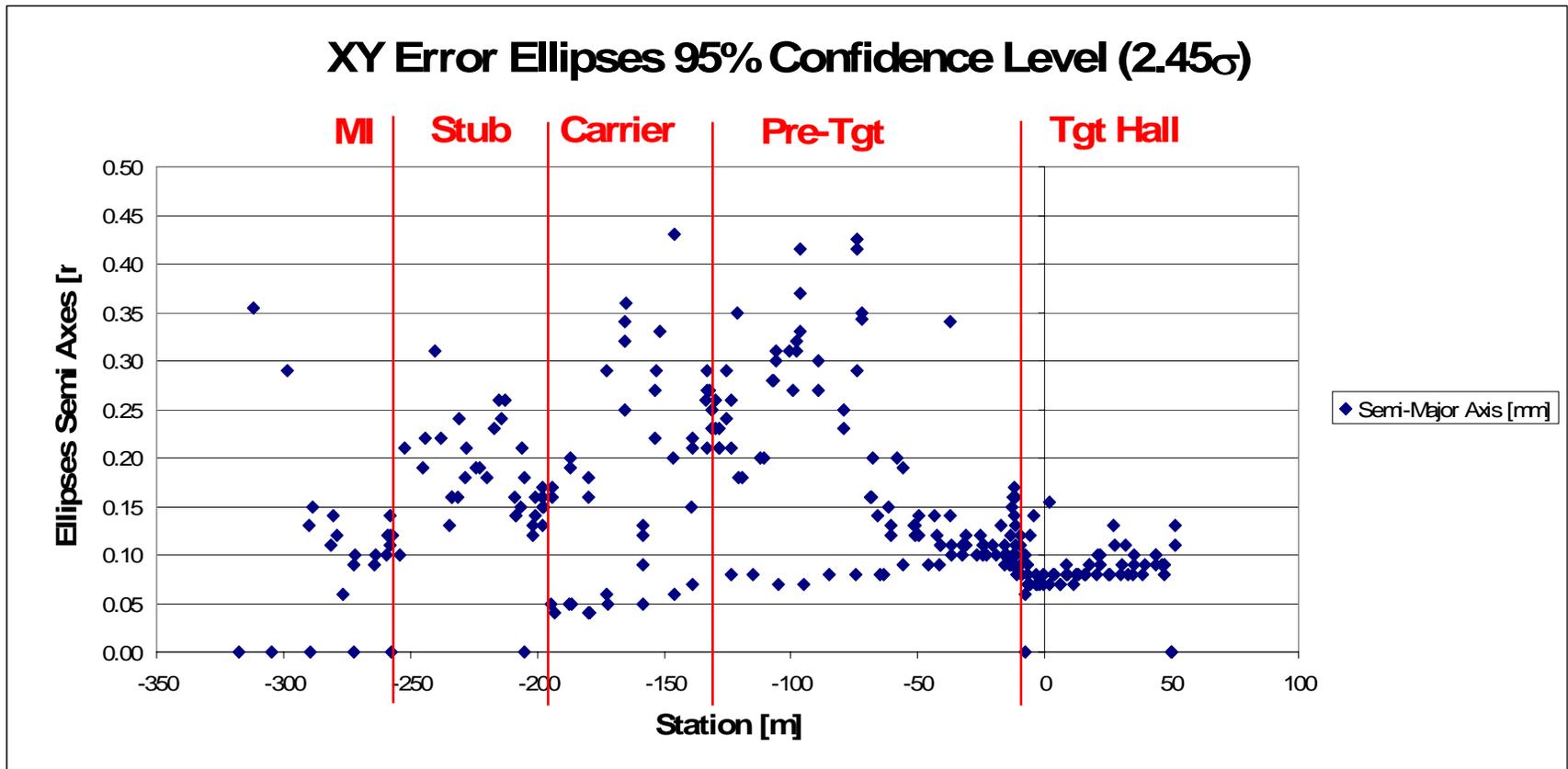
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Underground Network for the Primary Beam

Results: Error Ellipses XY Axes

- Errors Ellipses below ± 0.45 mm at 95% confidence level
- Error budget network requirements ± 0.50 mm at 95% confidence level





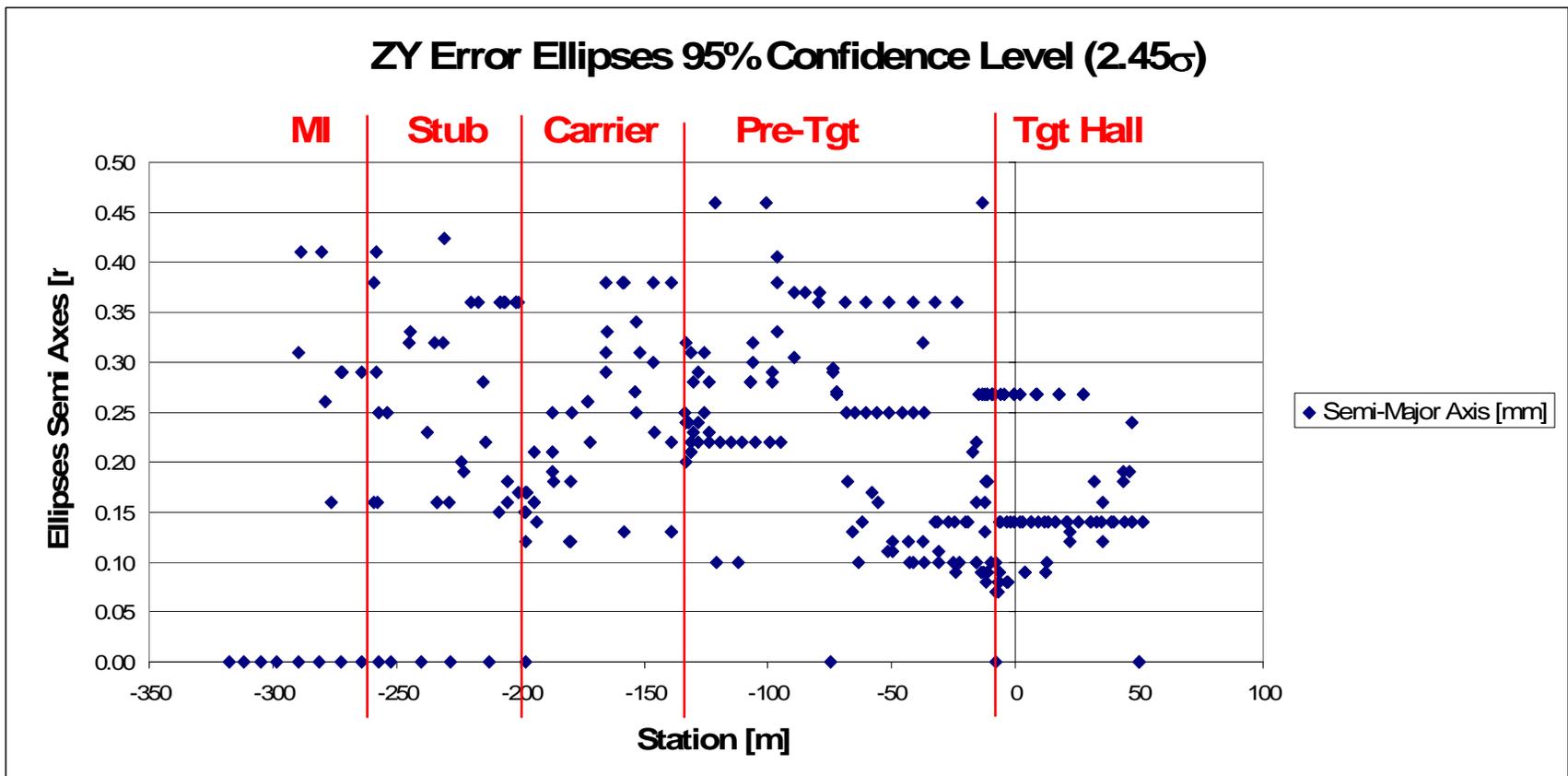
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Underground Network for the Primary Beam

Results: Error Ellipses ZY Axes

- Errors Ellipses below ± 0.46 mm at 95% confidence level
- Error budget network requirements ± 0.50 mm at 95% confidence level



NuMI Beam Commissioning

Commissioning the Primary Proton Beam

- ***NuMI starts December 3, 2004 :***
 - target OUT of the beam, horns turned OFF
 - small number of low intensity pulses carefully planned
 - beam **extracted out of Main Injector on the 1st pulse,** per design parameters – no tuning required
 - **beam centered on the Hadron Absorber, 725 m** away from target, **in 10 pulses** - very minimal tuning
 - **beam points in the right direction to < 2 arc second**



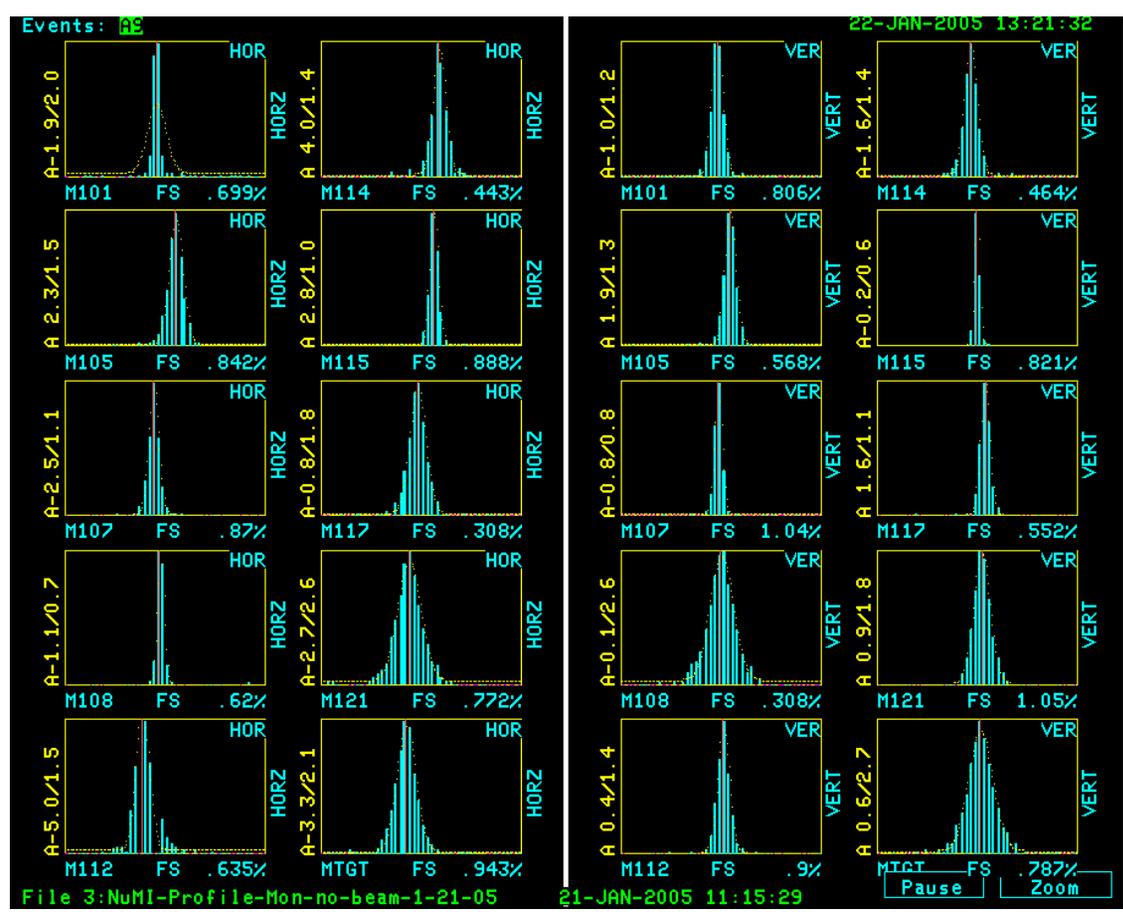
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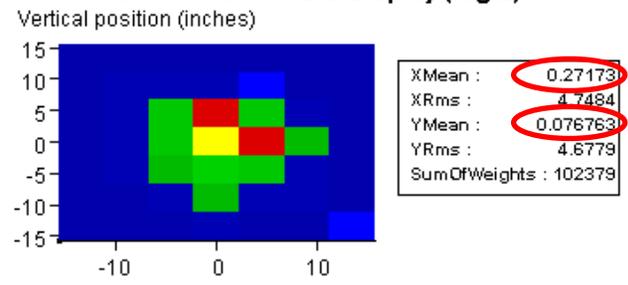
Beam Extraction in 10 Pulses

Centered on Hadron Absorber at 725 m Distance

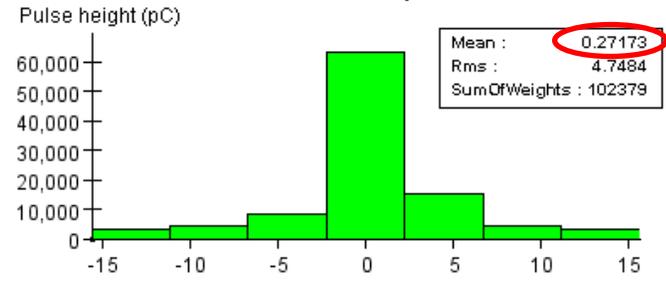
10th pulse: SEMs and Hadron Monitor readings



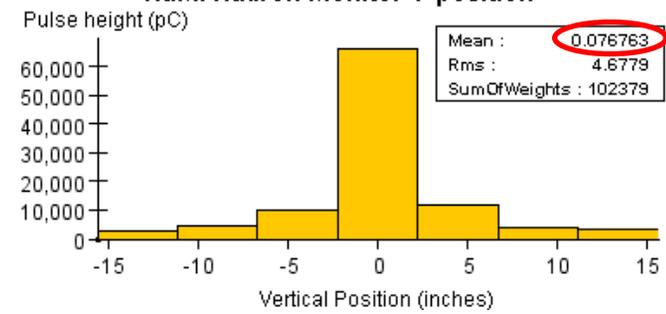
NuMI Hadron Monitor 2-D Display (log Z)



NuMI Hadron Monitor X-position



NuMI Hadron Monitor Y-position



NuMI Beam Commissioning

Commissioning of the Neutrino Beam

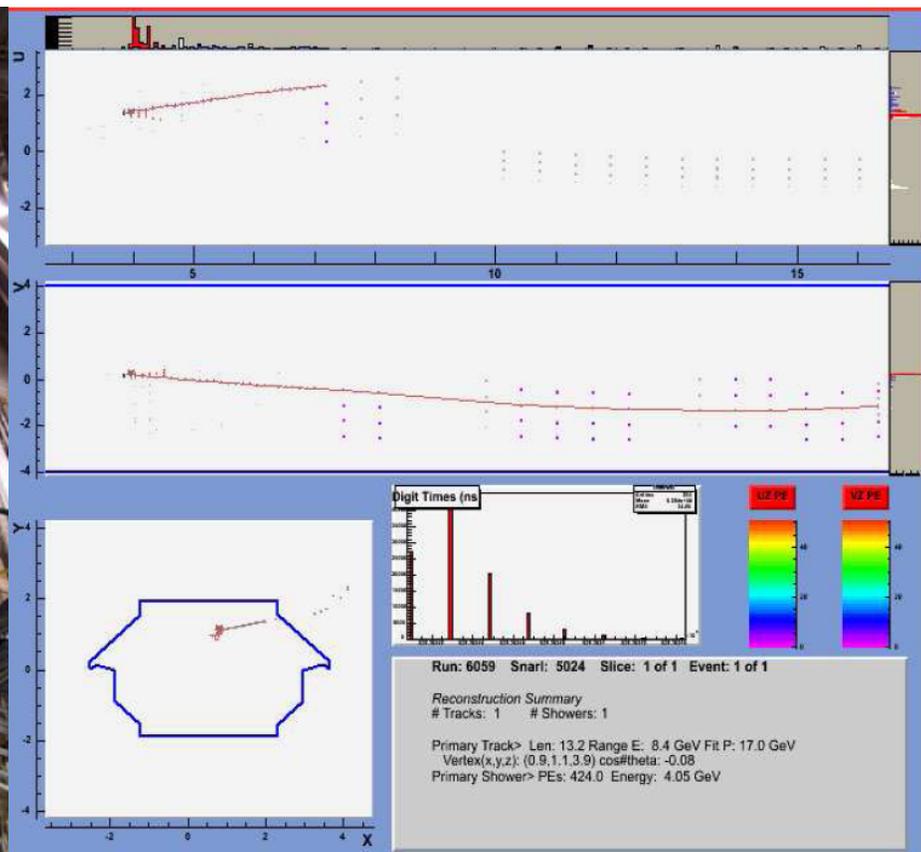
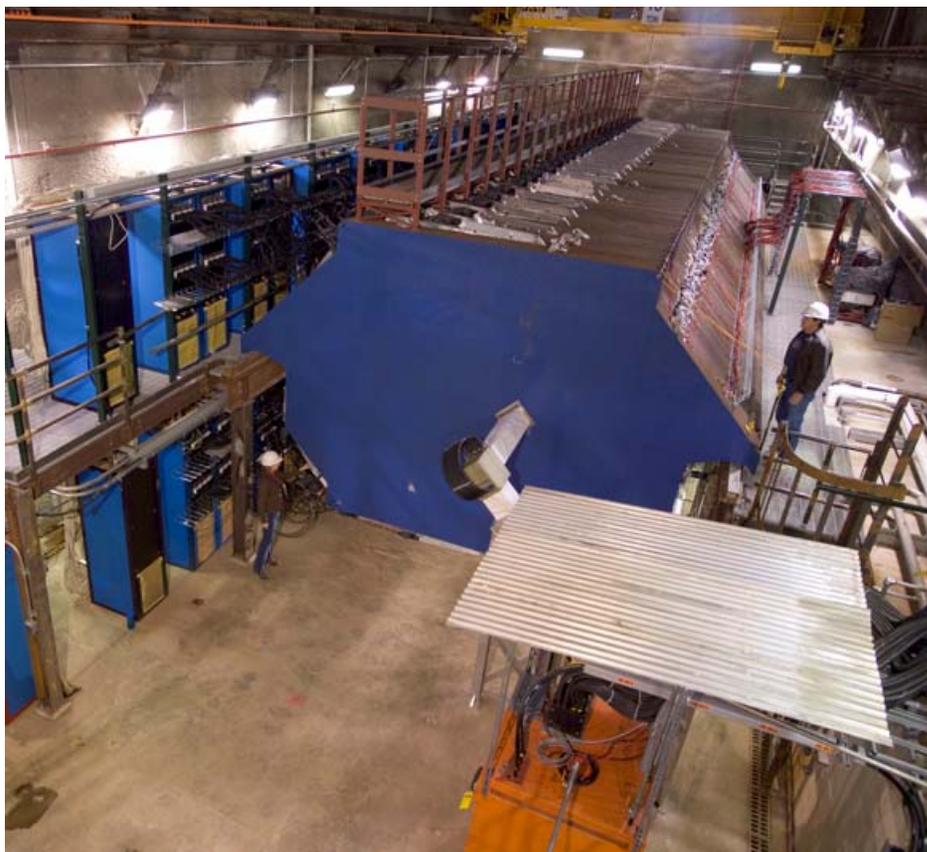
- ***MINOS starts January 21, 2005:***
 - target at $Z=-1\text{m}$ (Medium Energy Beam)
 - horns turned ON
 - on the **4th horn pulse - first neutrino in the Near Detector**
 - after fine tuning the proton line, on February 18, 2005, NuMI turn to high intensity beam, operating on 6 multi-batch mode
 - **March 07, 2005 - first confirmed neutrino in the Far Detector**



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First Neutrino in the Near Detector

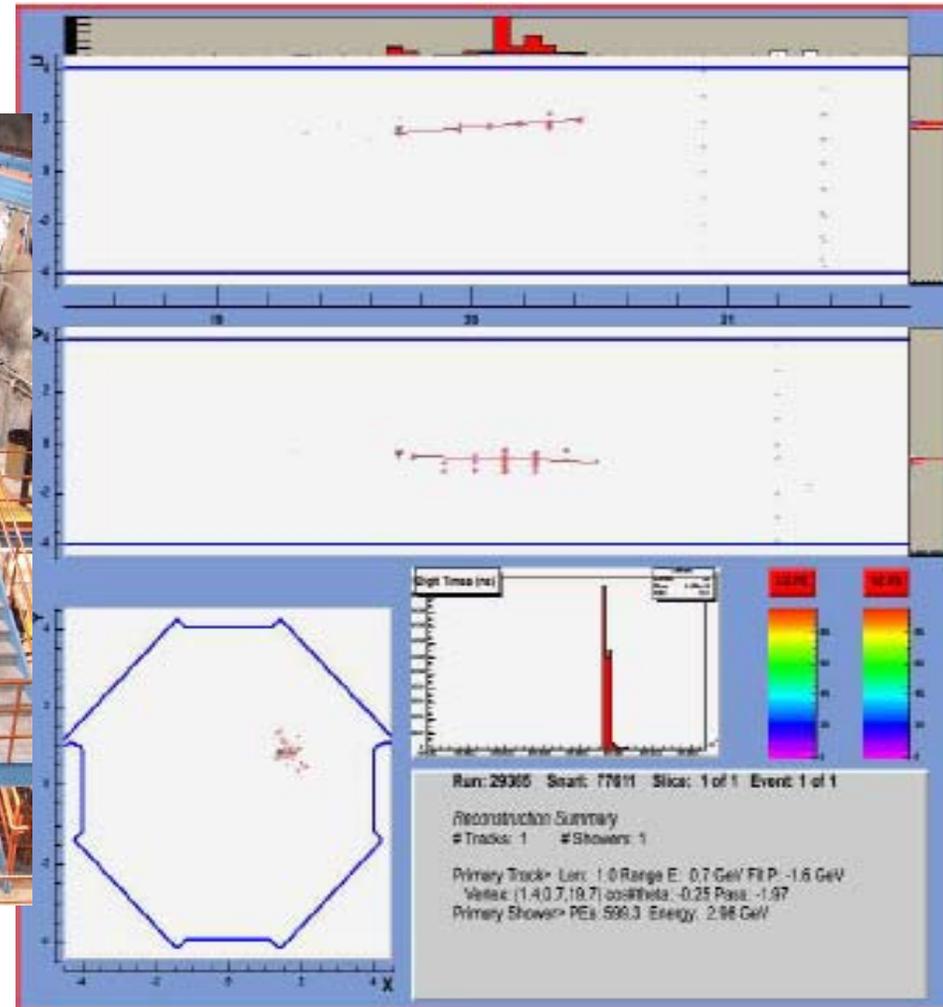




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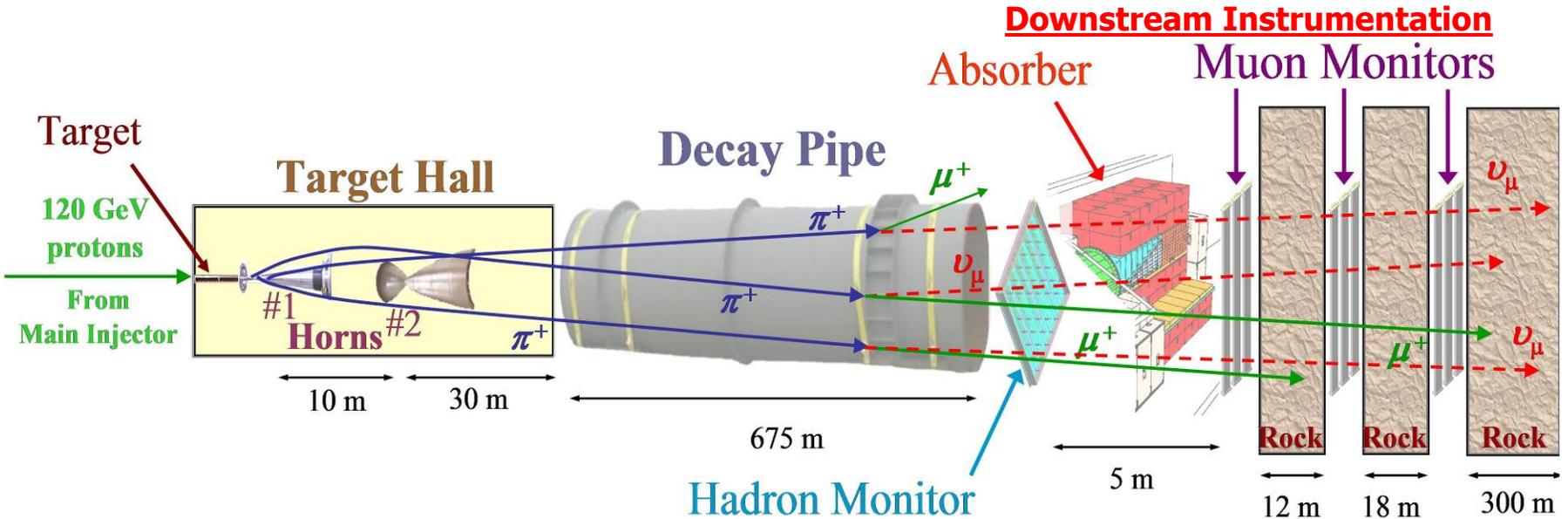
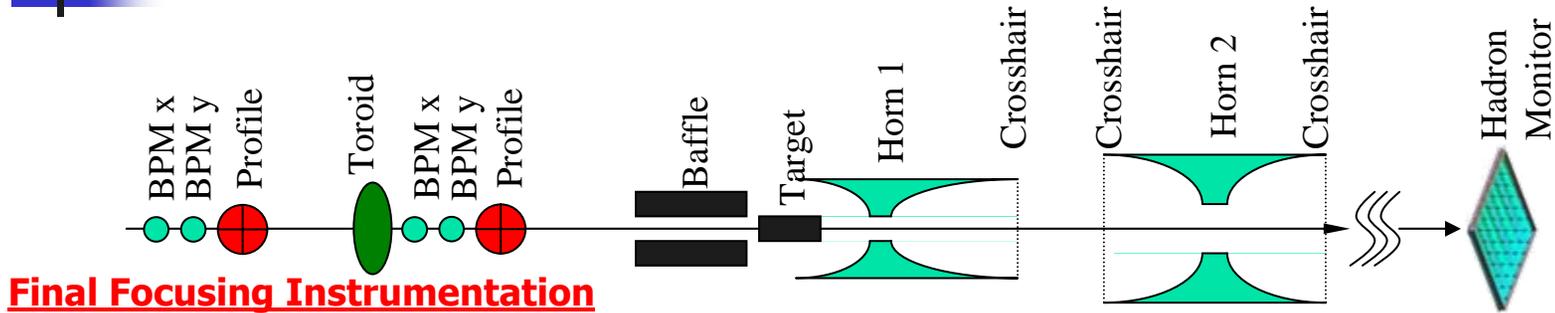
Beam-Based Alignment of Target and Horns

- The **relative alignment of the primary proton beam, target, and focusing horns** affects the neutrino energy spectrum delivered to experiments
- Primary beam magnets and instrumentation aligned to **± 0.25 mm**
- Target station components aligned to **± 0.5 mm**.

DEVICE	Horizontal dX (mm)	Vertical dY (mm)
Target	-0.122	-0.151
Horn 1	-0.285	0.303
Horn 2	-0.344	-0.650

- Proton beam used to locate the relative positions and angles of these components
- Procedure:
 - Scan proton beam ($\sigma = 1$ mm) across known features of beamline components (**Target & Baffle and Horns cross-hairs**)
 - Use instrumentation (BPMs and Profile Monitors) to **correlate with measured proton beam position**

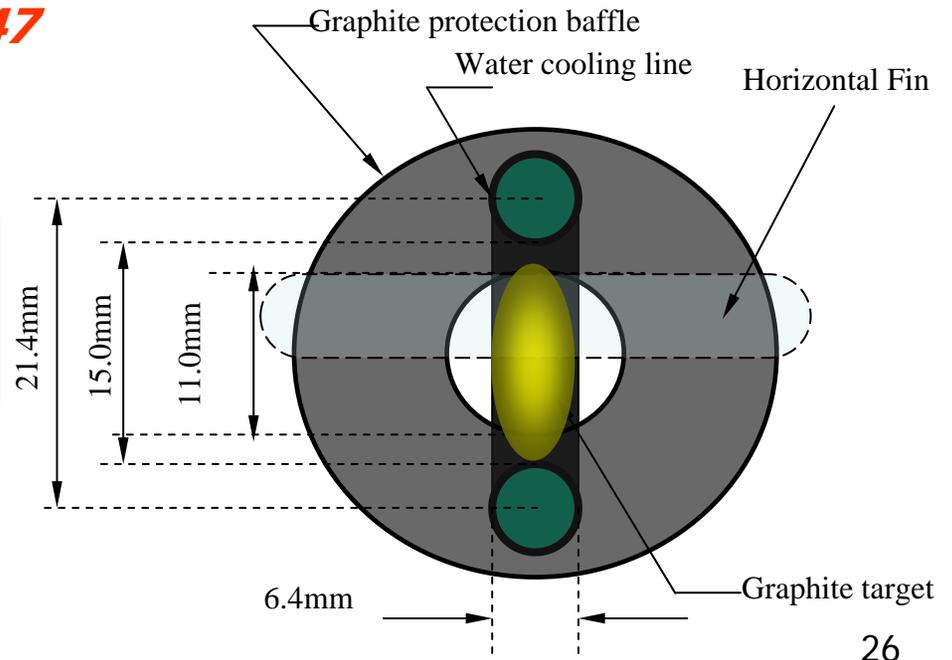
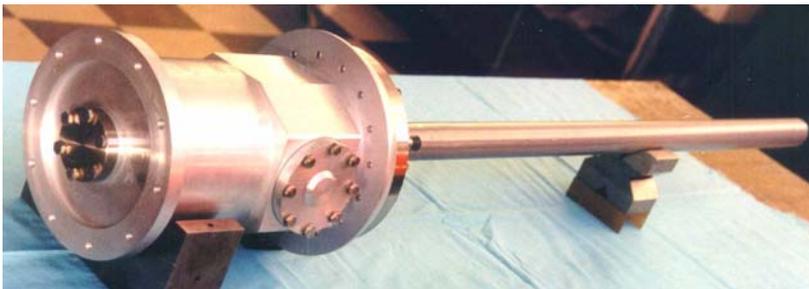
NuMI Beam and Monitoring Instrumentation



Baffle & Target System



- Graphite fin core segments:
 (*20 mm x 15 mm x 6.4 mm*) x 47
- Target length = **95.4 cm**
- Baffle length = **150 cm**





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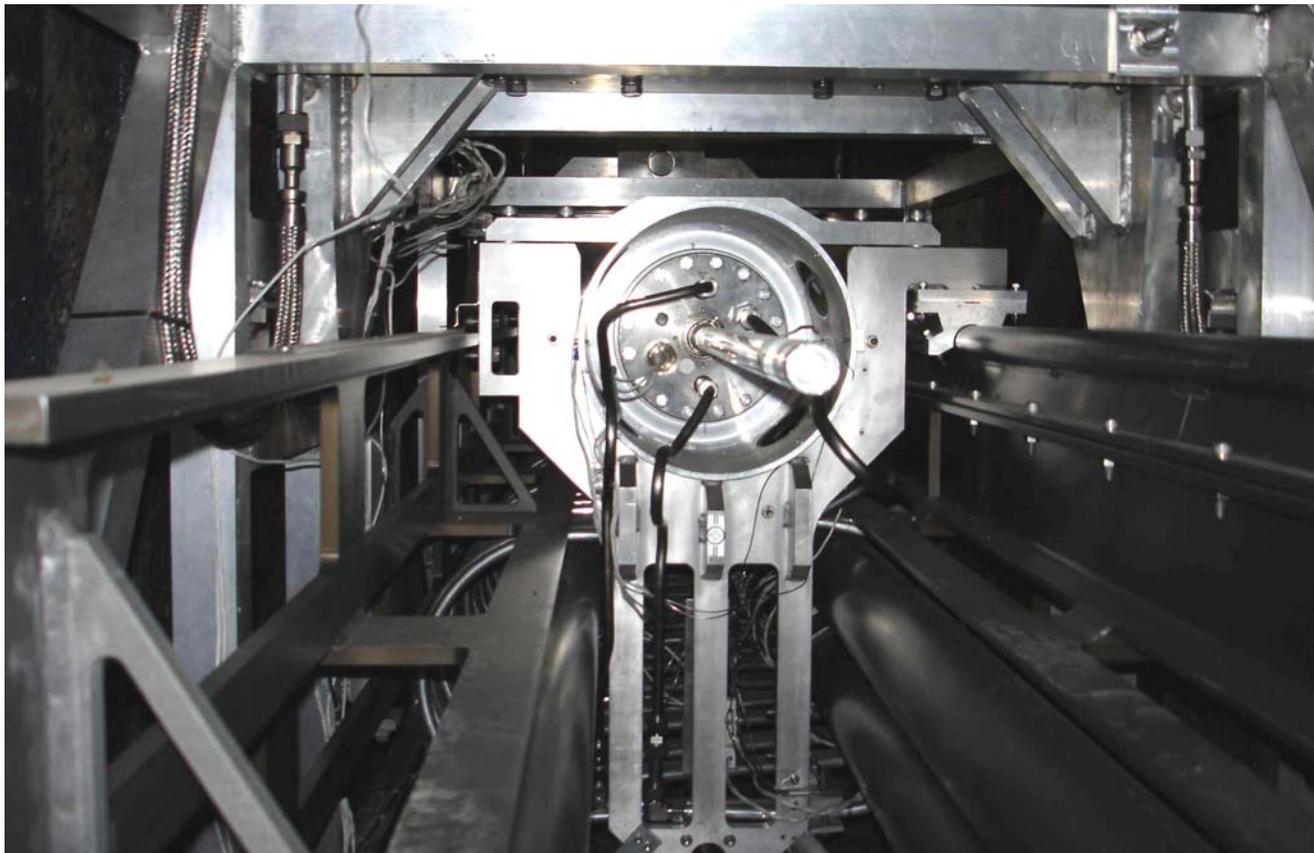
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NuMI Target

View from inside the chase - for Low Energy (LE) beam configuration Target **slides into Horn 1 without touching**



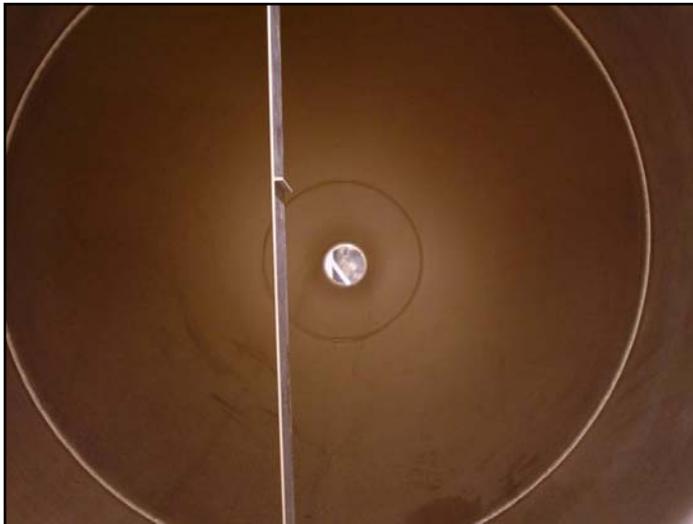


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- For scanning Horns, the Target must be OUT
- Cross-hairs intercept primary proton beam:
 - One on the downstream end of Horn 1
 - One on each end of Horn 2



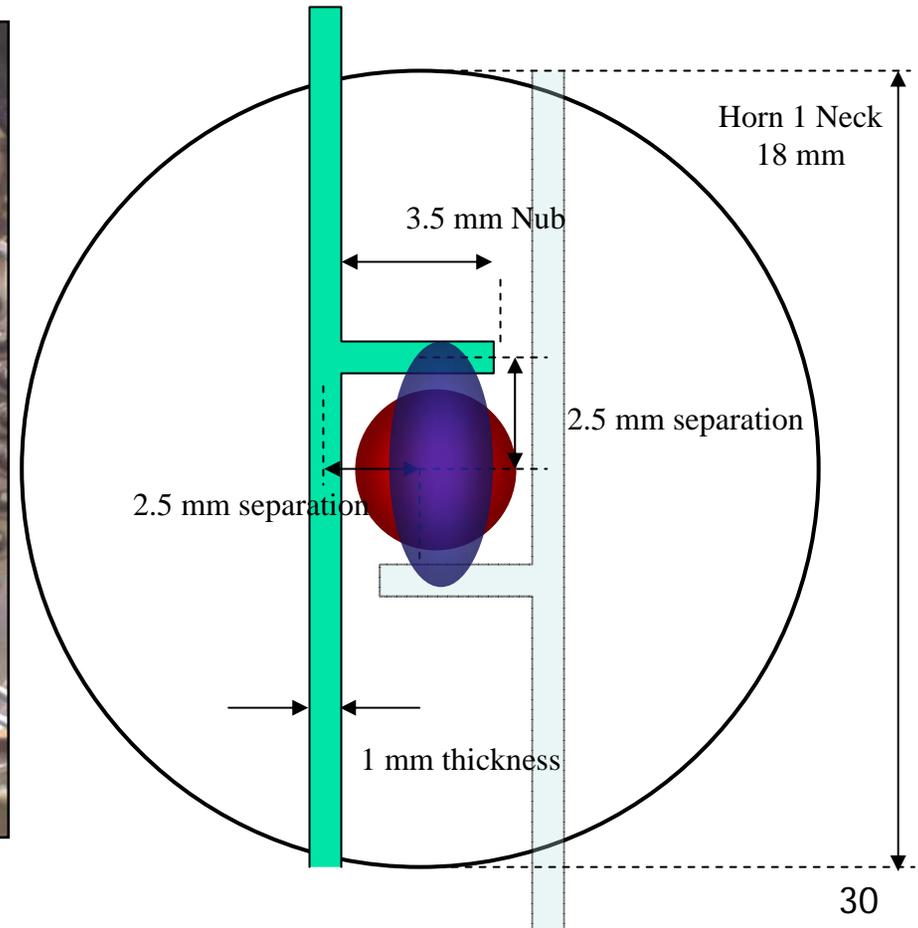
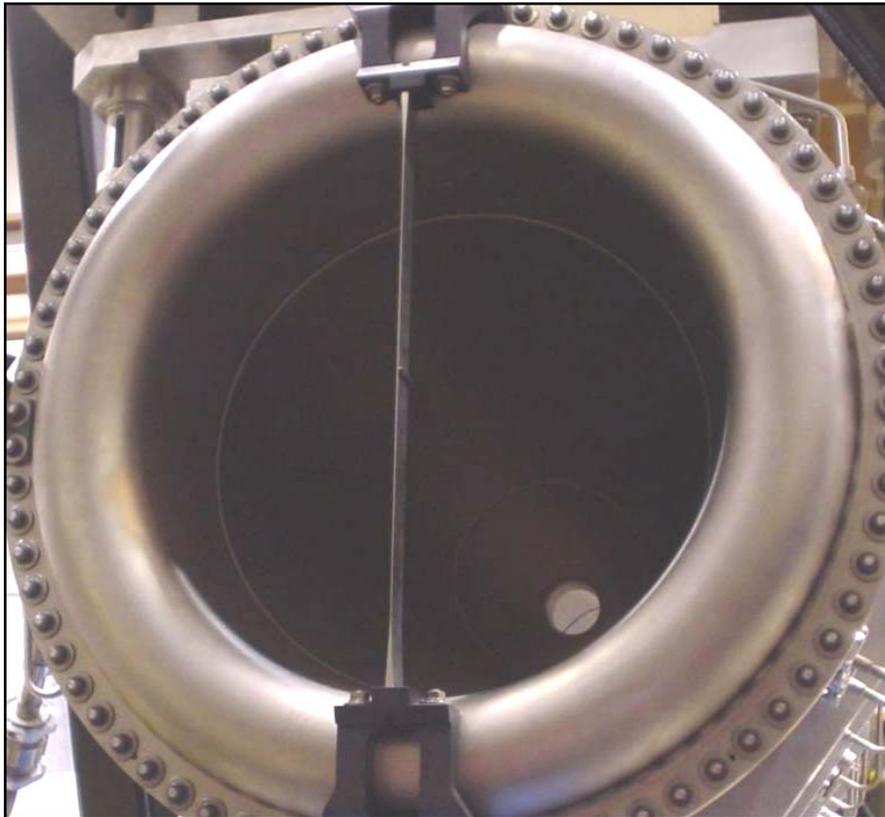


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Horns Cross-hairs

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- Beam **narrow horizontally**, wide vertically

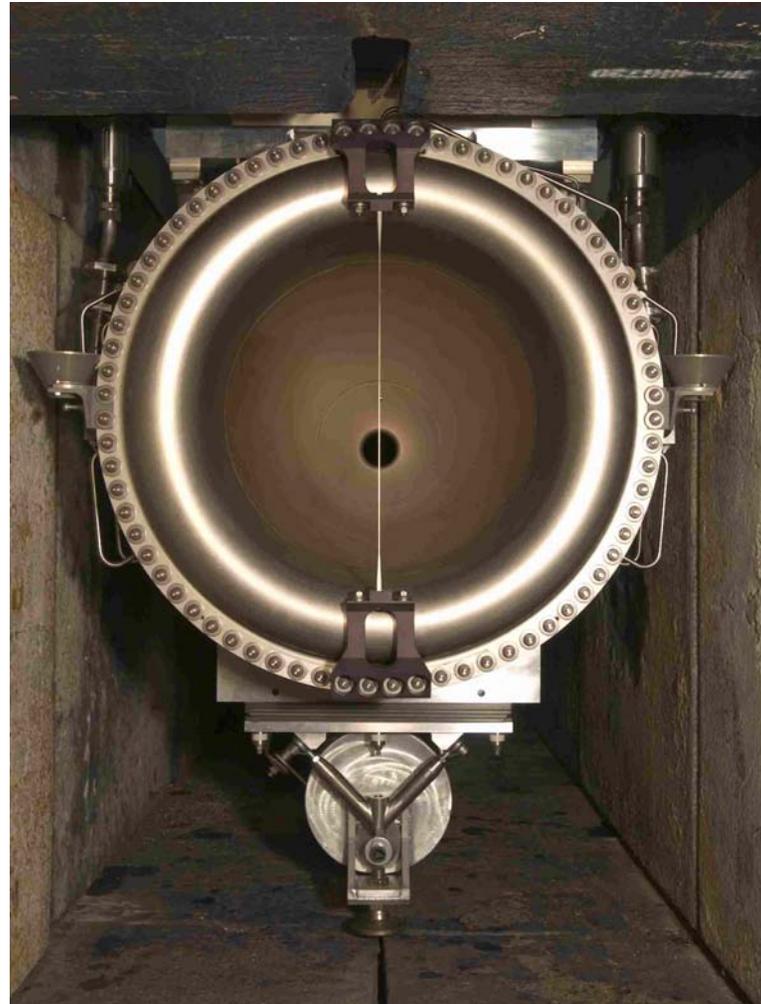




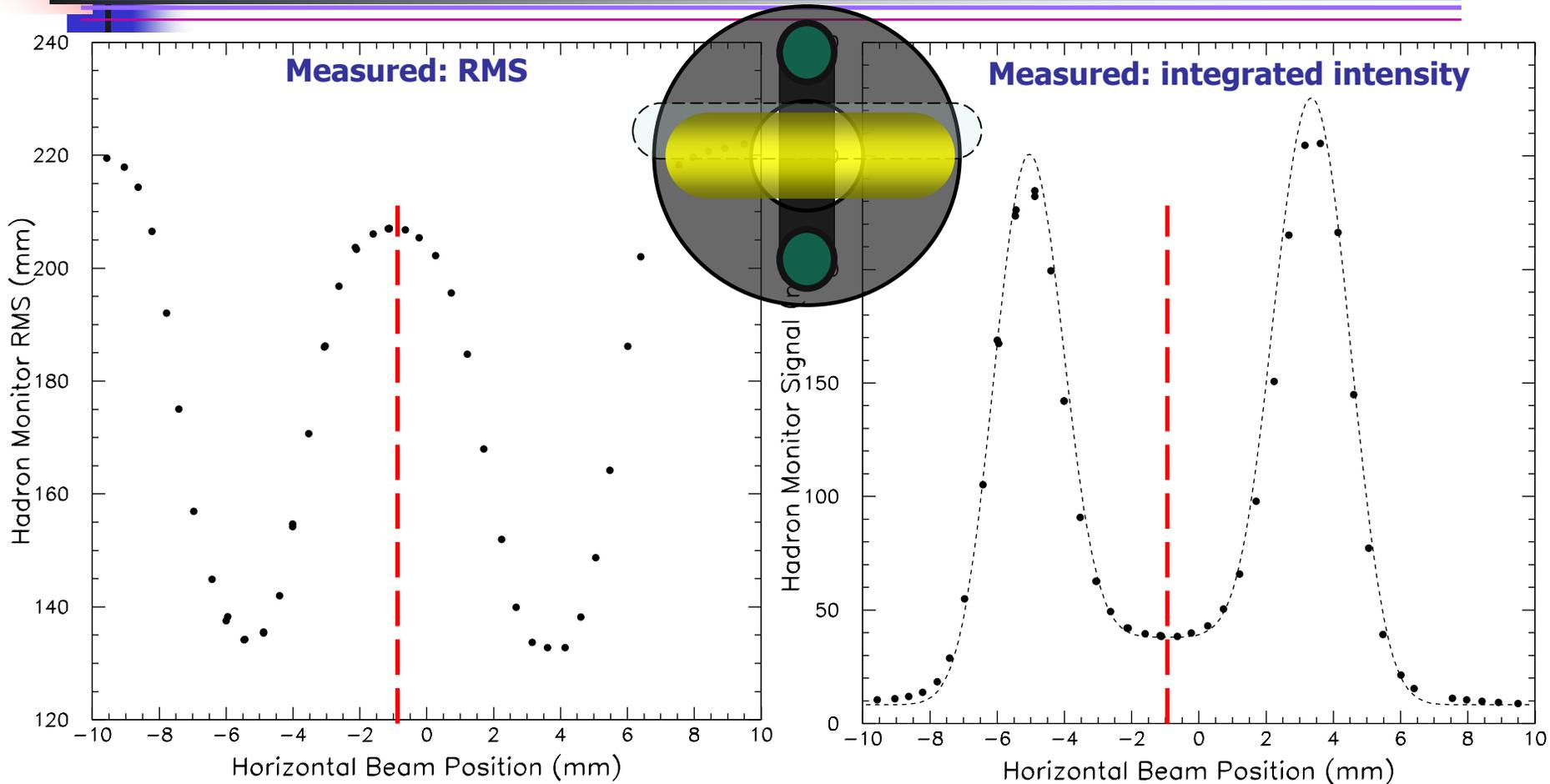
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NuMI Horn Inside the Chase

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Target & Baffle Horizontal Positions



- The peaks are the gaps between baffle and target
- Different peak heights => offsets target/baffle or a common angle

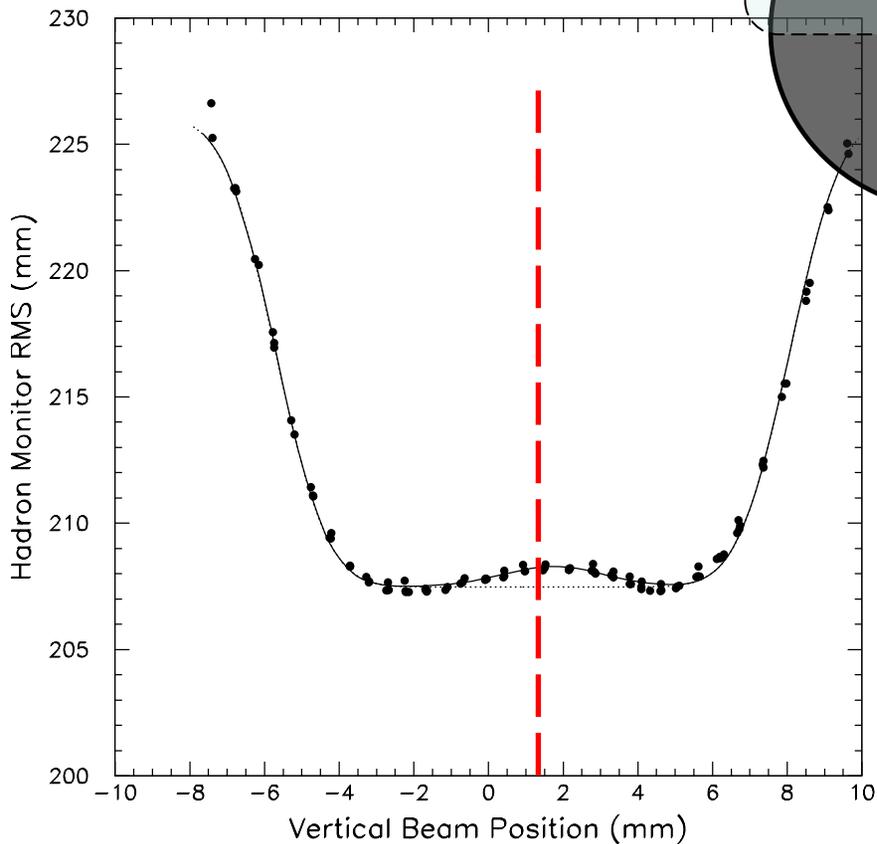


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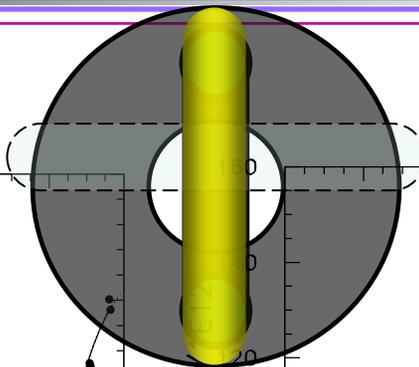
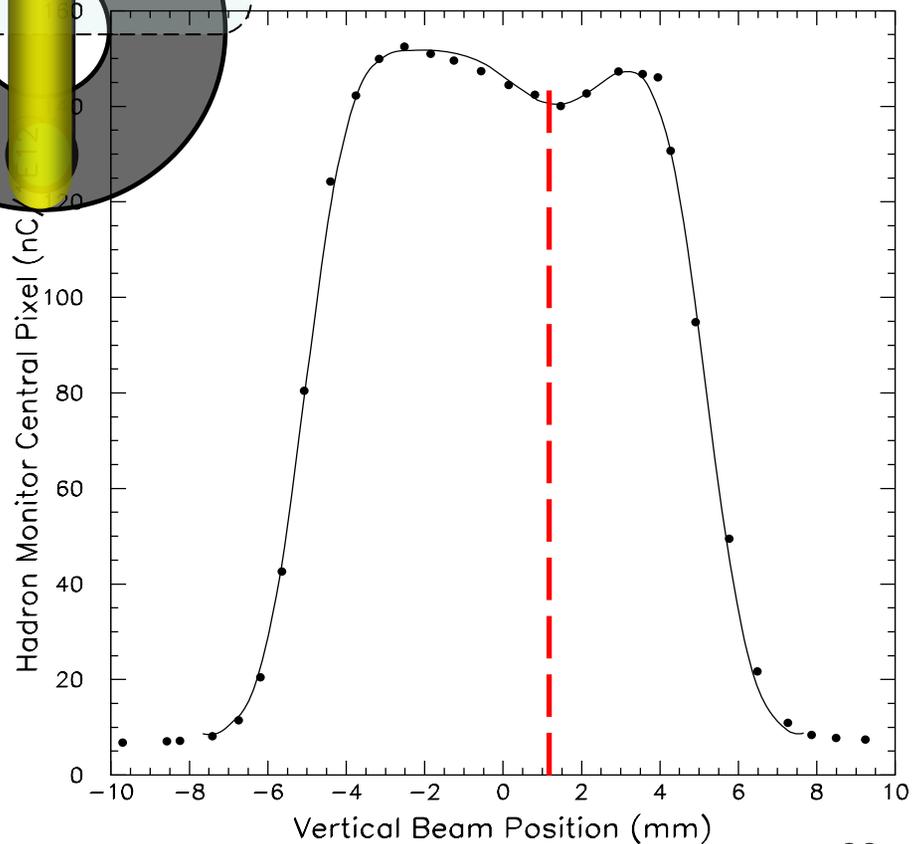
Target & Baffle Vertical Positions

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Measured: RMS

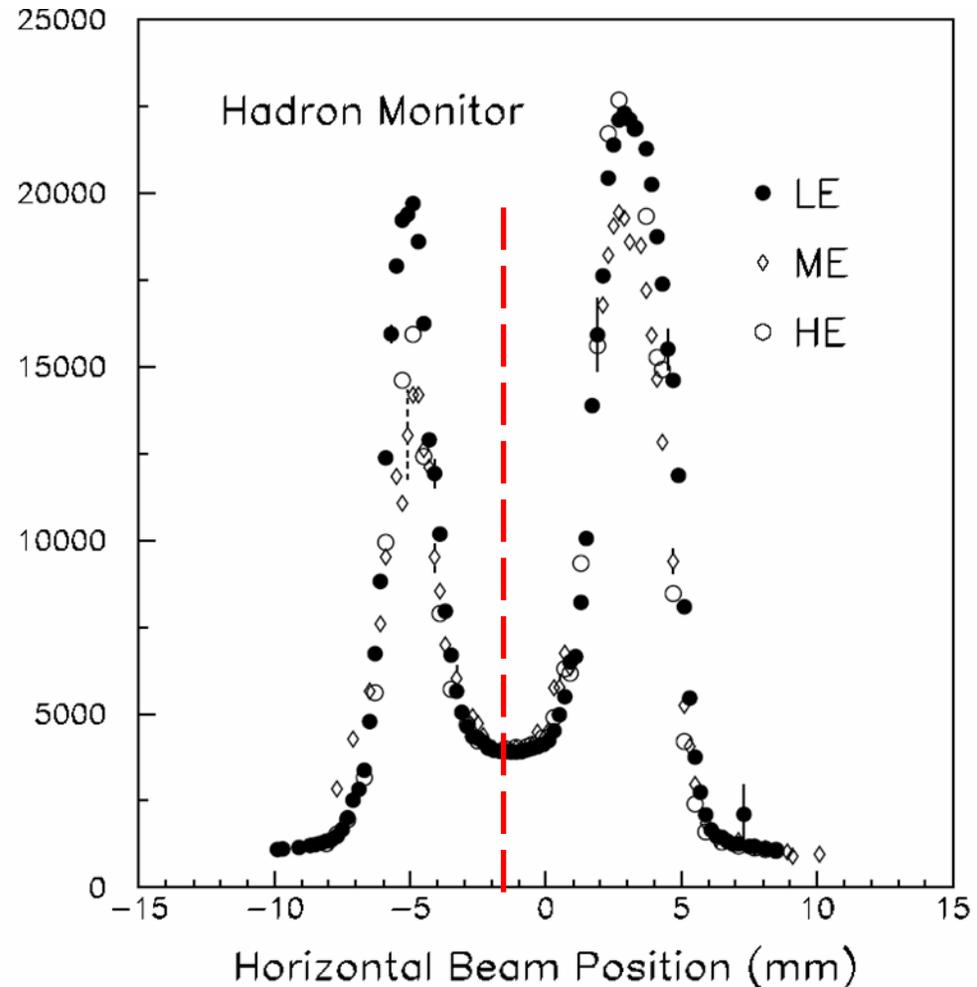


Measured: central pixel intensity



Target Tracks LE → ME → HE

- Scans at **LE** (0 cm), **ME** (100 cm), and **HE** (250 cm)
- Target **parallel** with primary beam better than **0.5mm** across **2.5m** of travel

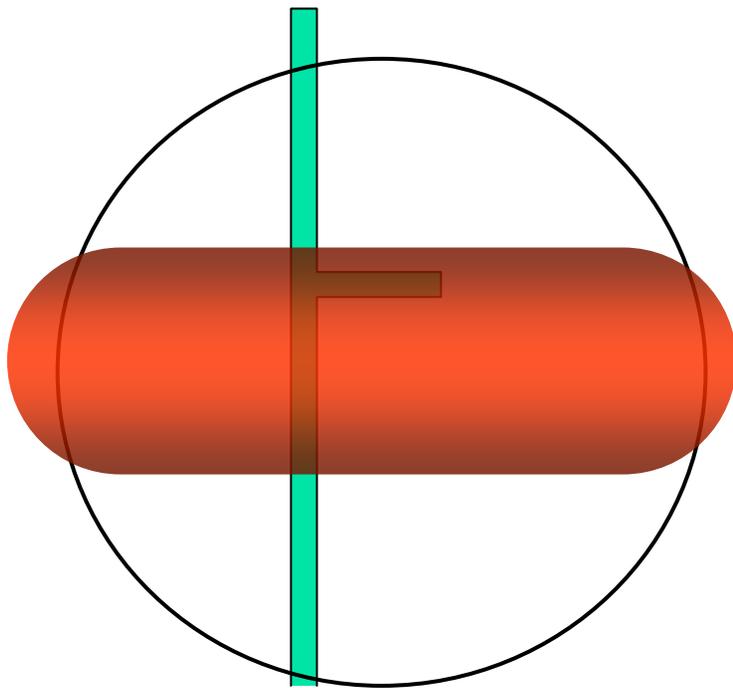




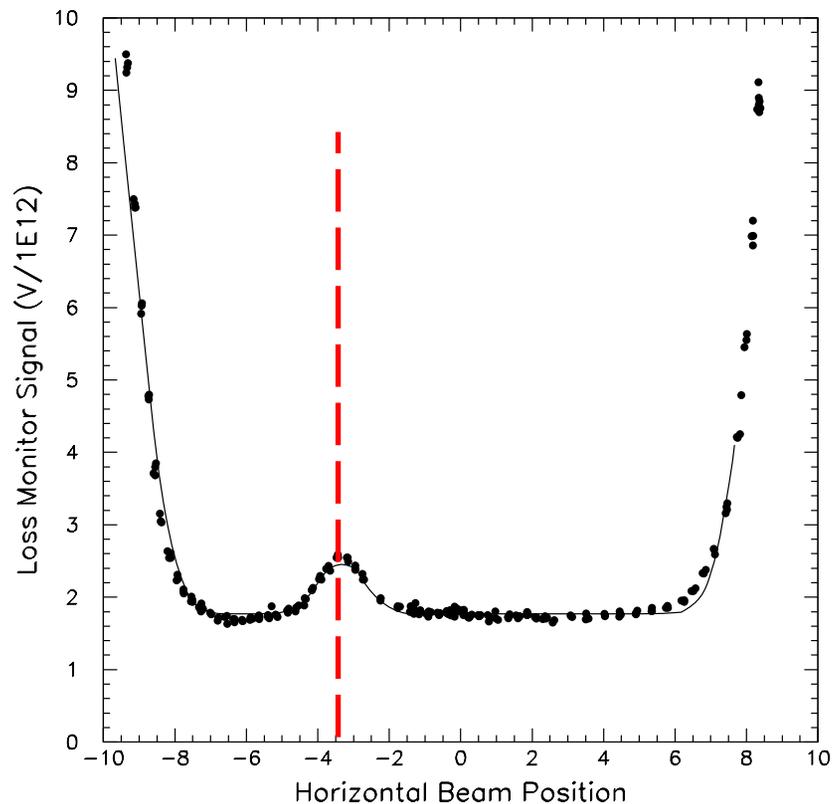
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Horn 1 Horizontal Position

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Measured: integrated intensity

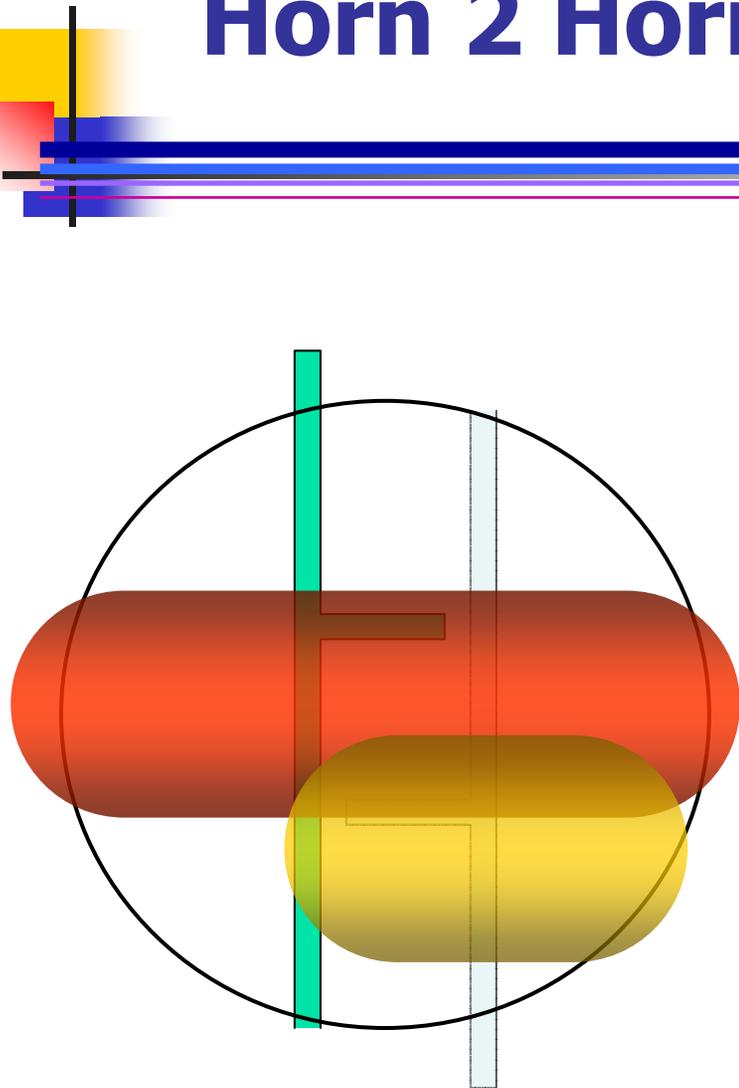




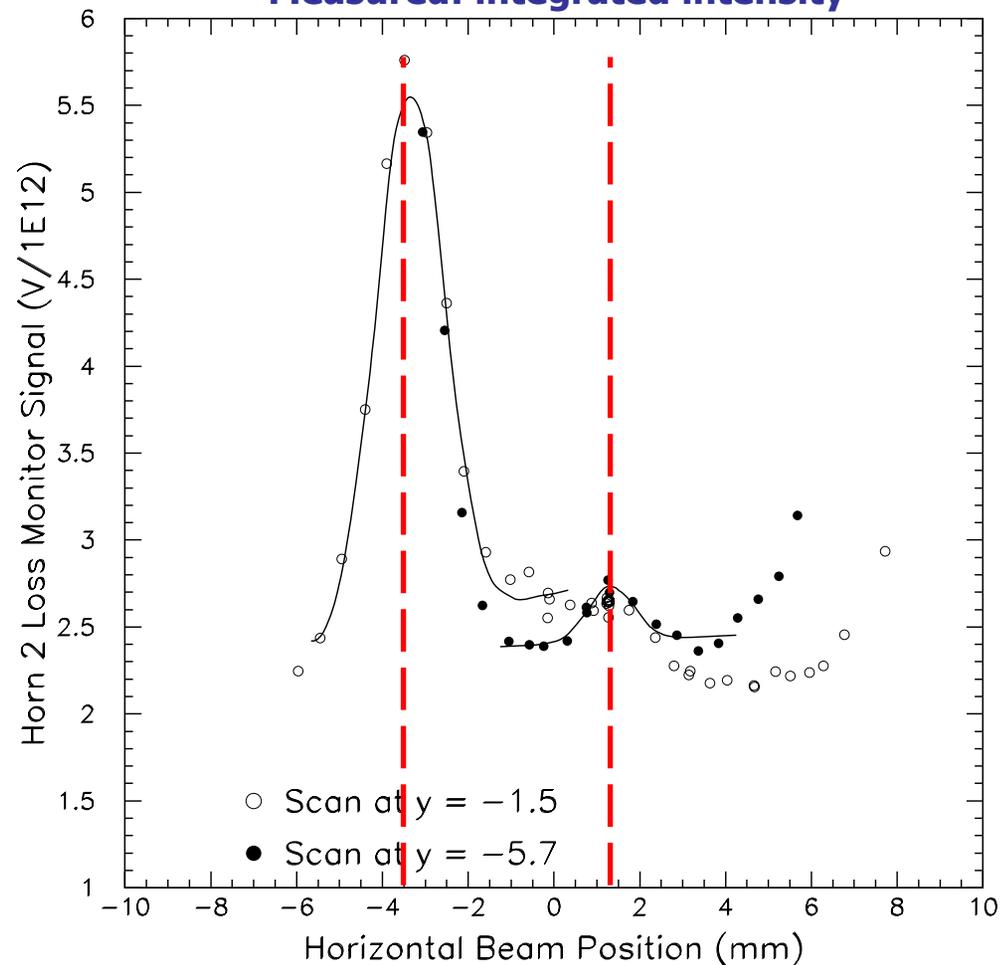
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Horn 2 Horizontal Positions



Measured: integrated intensity



Summary of Target/Horns SANS on BPM Measurements

Beam Not Steered $(x,y) = (0,0)$ mm

Horizontal

DEVICE	Offset (mm)	Effect %	Angle (mrad)	Effect %
Baffle	-1.21	2.5	-0.14	<0.1
Target	-1.41	2.5	-0.14	<0.1
Horn 1	-1.24	1.1	-0.18	0.3
Horn 2	-1.82	1.2	-0.18	<0.1

Vertical

DEVICE	Offset (mm)	Effect %	Angle (mrad)	Effect %
Baffle	1.12	2.2	-0.7	<0.1
Target	0.13	<0.1	-0.7	0.26
Horn 1	0.81	1.4	0.26	0.43
Horn 2	0.08	<0.1	-0.43	<0.1

- **components are consistently to the left**, and usually down (exception is that baffle is about 1 mm high w.r.t. target)
- the “**effects**” represent the **Far-to-Near ratio** of neutrino fluxes as a result of the measured offsets – **tolerance required is < 2 %**

Summary of Target/Horns Scans on BPM Measurements

Beam Steered at (x,y) = (-1.2,+1.0) mm

Horizontal

DEVICE	Offset (mm)	Effect %	Angle (mrad)	Effect %
Baffle	0.01	<0.1	-0.14	<0.1
Target	-0.21	0.37	-0.14	0.1
Horn 1	0.03	<0.1	-0.18	0.32
Horn 2	-0.62	0.23	-0.18	<0.1

Vertical

DEVICE	Offset (mm)	Effect %	Angle (mrad)	Effect %
Baffle	0.12	<0.1	-0.7	<0.1
Target	-0.87	<0.1	-0.7	0.26
Horn 1	-0.19	<0.1	0.26	0.35
Horn 2	-0.92	0.42	-0.43	<0.1

- beam is pointed on: Target center horizontally and Baffle center vertically
=> established as beam RUN PARAMETERS
- all effects **Far-to-Near ratio** of neutrino fluxes as a result of measured offsets from beam scans are well **below the 2% tolerance required**

Pre-Target and Target Hall Deformation Analysis

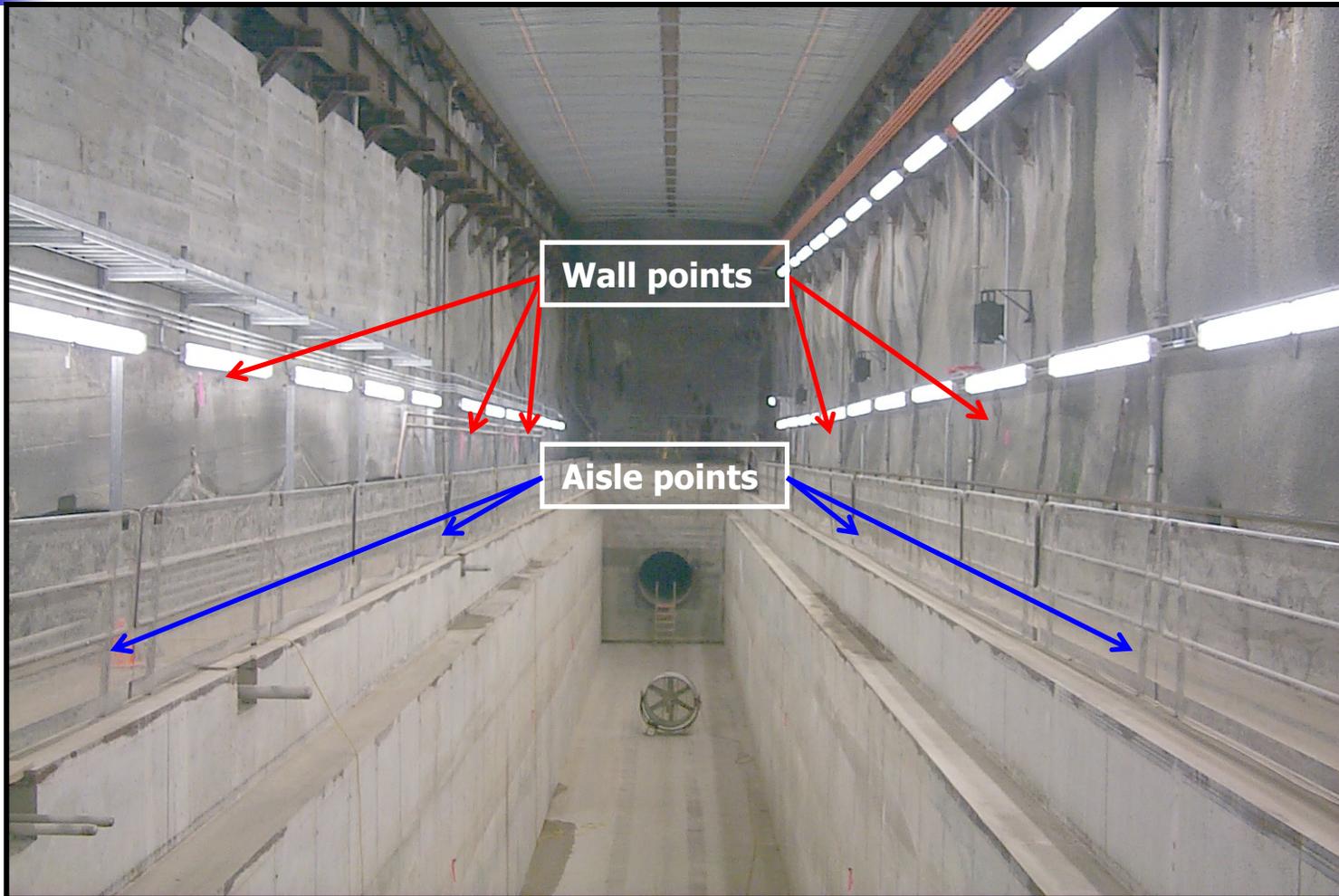
- The beam-based alignment of the Target Hall components indicated that the Target Hall moved with **loading of 6400 tons of steel/concrete**
- A **deformation survey** campaign was performed in April 2005 covering the Pre-Target tunnel and Target Hall
- Three scenarios considered and analyzed:
 1. **Target Hall empty (un-loaded)**
 2. **Target and Horns modules loaded into the chase and R-blocks unloaded (partial load)**
 3. **Target and Horns modules loaded into the chase and R-blocks loaded (full load)**
- **Methodology used: local Laser Tracker network supplemented by precision leveling**



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Target Hall During Network Observations

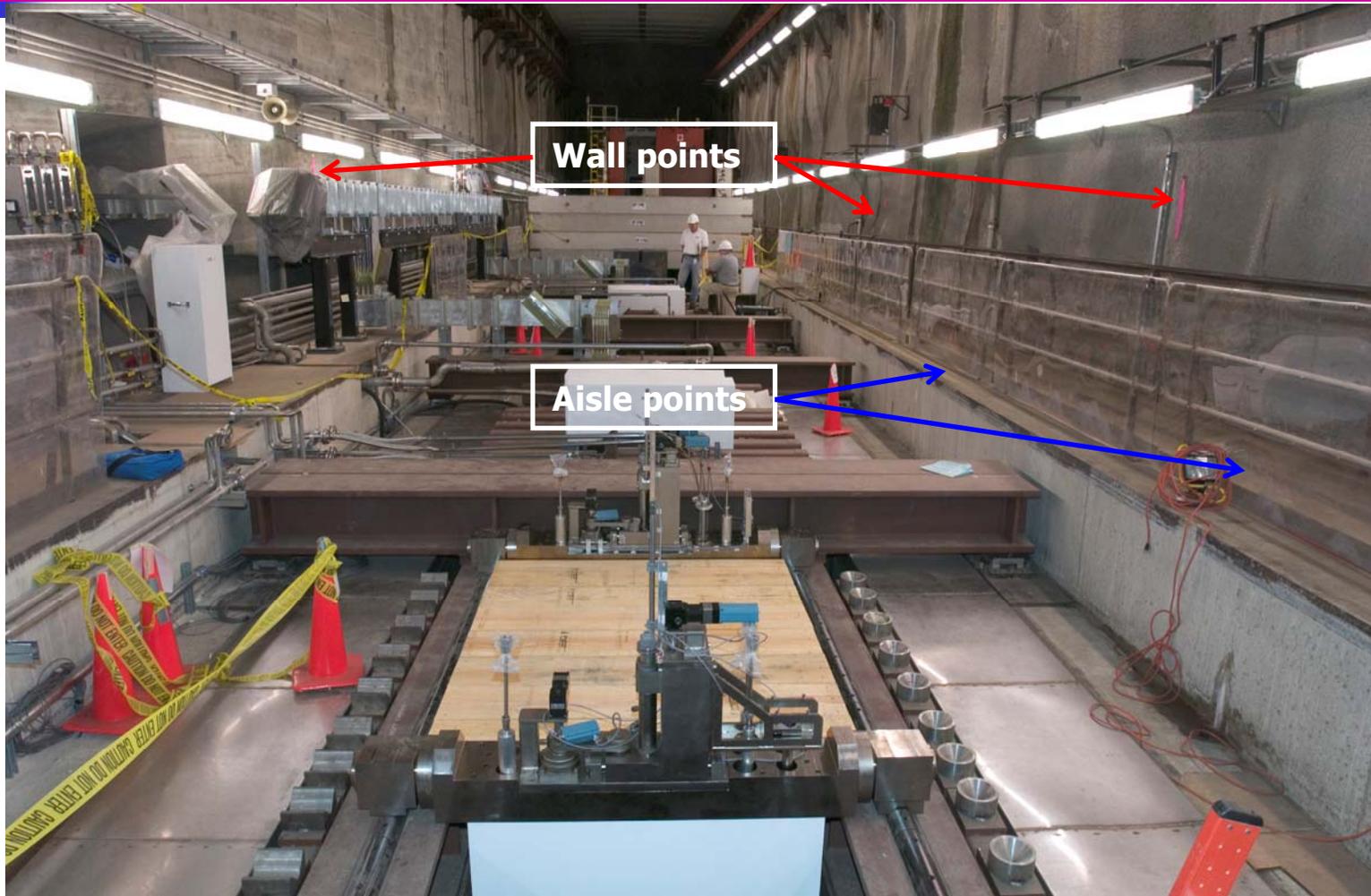




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Target Hall During Target and Horns Alignment

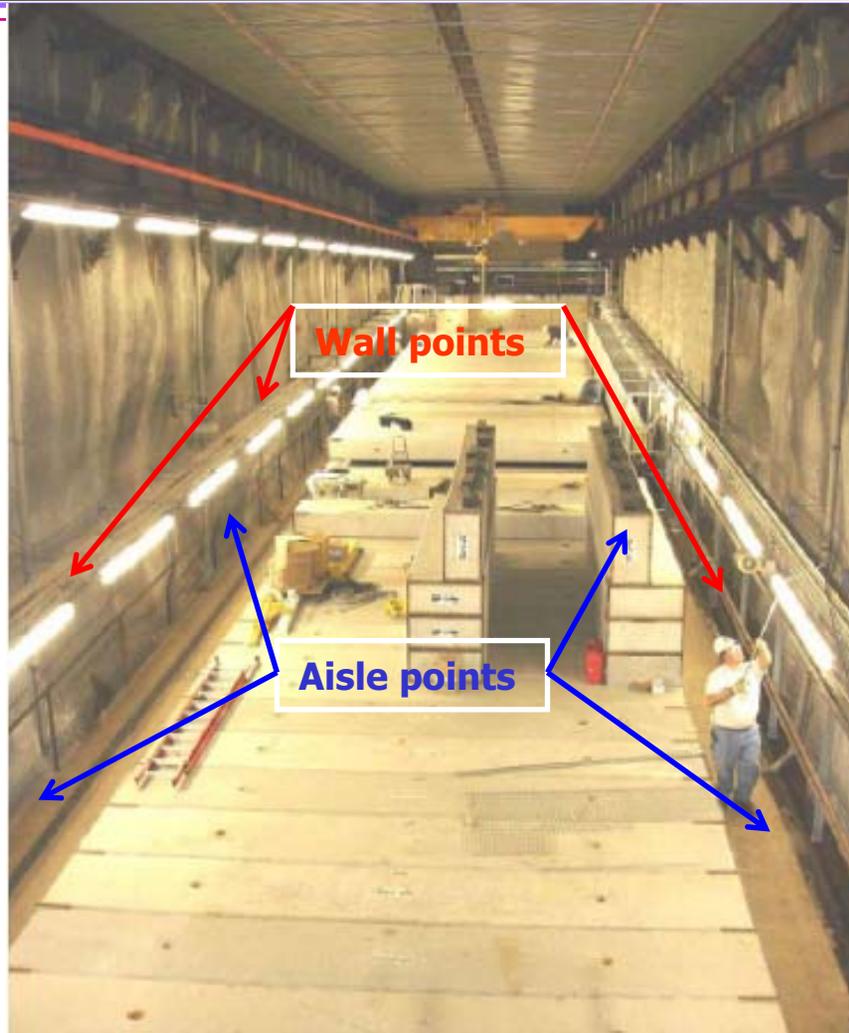




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Target Hall During Commissioning and Experiment Run



Horizontal Stability Results

- The horizontal stability analysis results showed:
 - **no deformations** in the Target Hall (walls or aisles points) until loading of the R-blocks (February 2005)
 - the trend analysis showed no movement tendency on the Target Hall wall points across all three scenarios
 - **deformations up to 0.9 mm** due to the load on both aisles after the installation of the R-blocks (February 2005) => **both E and W Target chase ledges/aisles moved inwards (towards the beam)**
 - **plastic deformation** => very little (0.2 mm) or no rebound when the R-blocks were removed
- The Pre Target tunnel: no horizontal (or vertical) deformations

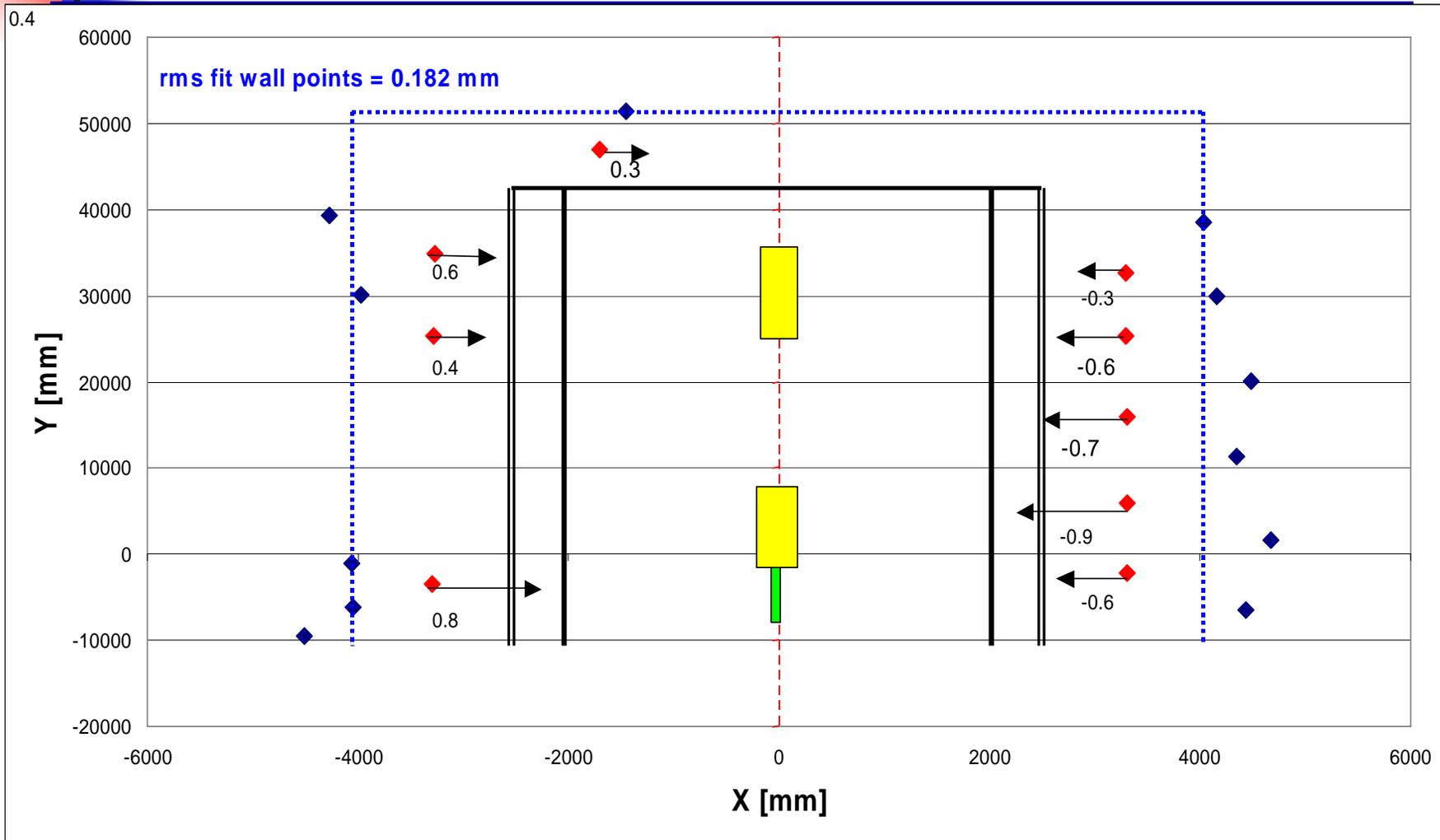


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Target Hall Horizontal Deformation

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R-blocks loaded (as during run)

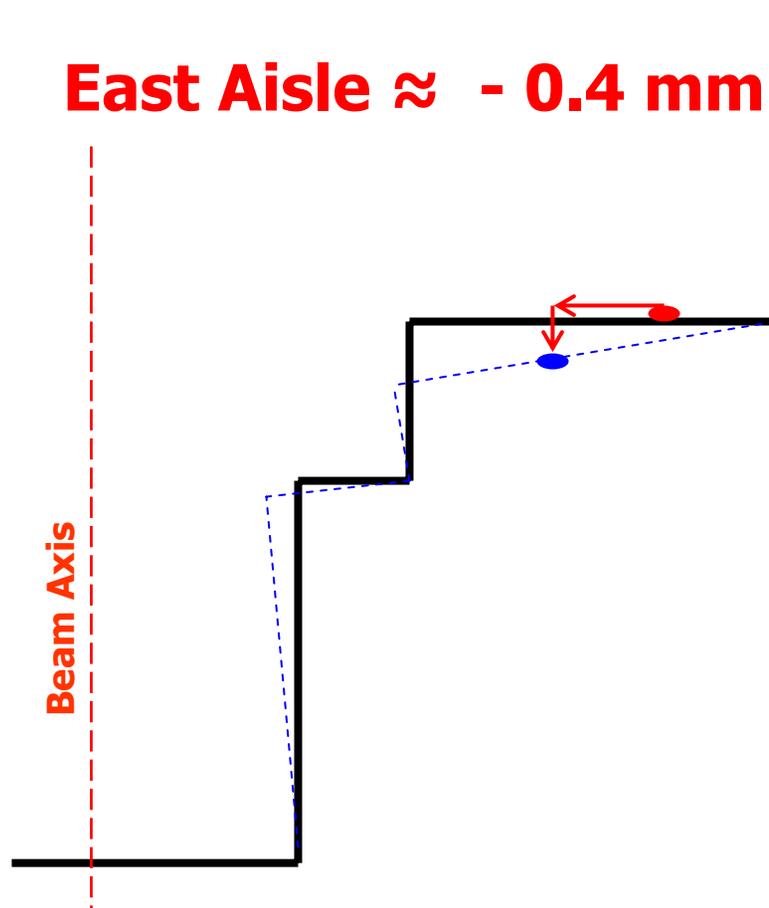


Target Hall Vertical Deformation

R-blocks loaded (as during run)

West Aisle \approx - 0.7 mm

East Aisle \approx - 0.4 mm





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Support/Capture Fixtures for Target and Horns

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Components are captured in cups on the East side and sit freely on plates on the West side; because of deformation they moved westward



Estimation on Effect of Deformation on Target and Horns

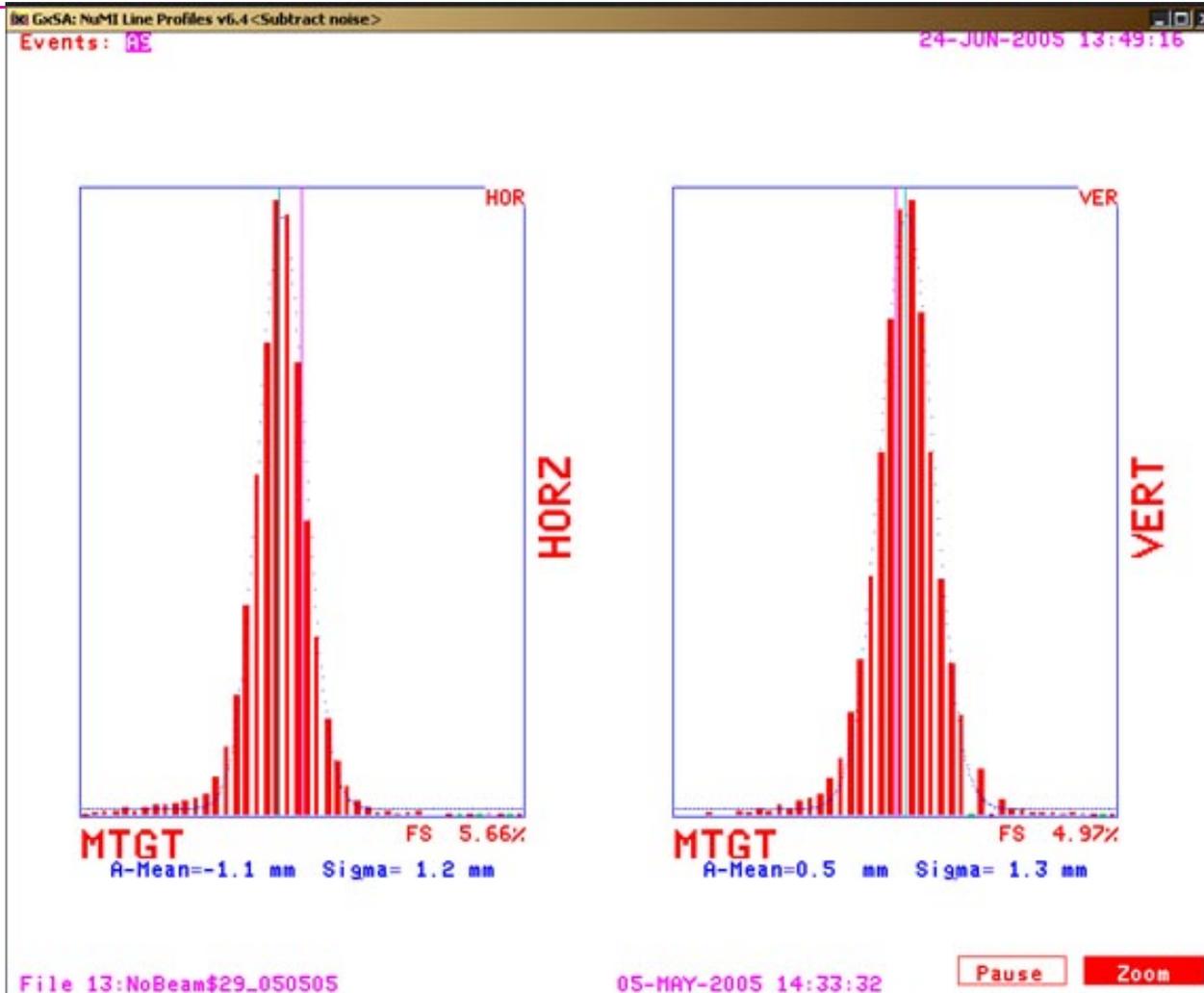
- **Horizontal beam on Target and Horns:**
 - Aisles (horizontal) deformation due to load = - **0.9 mm**
 - Displacement due to thermal expansion ($\Delta T = 4^{\circ}\text{C}$) = -**0.1 mm**
 - Target misalignment = - **0.1 mm**
 - Total Horizontal estimated displacement = -1.1 mm
- **Vertical beam on Target and Horns:**
 - Aisles (vertical) deformation due to load = - **0.5 mm**
 - Displacement due to thermal expansion ($DT = 4^{\circ}\text{C}$) = -**0.1 mm**
 - Target misalignment = -**0.1 mm**
 - Total Vertical estimated displacement = -0.7 mm (the baffle was found 2 mm higher than the target at referencing)
- **The deformation analysis confirms the beam-based alignment results**



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June 24 ,2005 Beam Profile at MTGT



CONCLUSIONS

- **NuMI/MINOS commissioning and transition to Operations (May 12, 2005) successfully concluded, with excellent performance at each step**
- **NuMI/MINOS delivered to experimenters and running for physics**

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