

# ML based accelerator operation at RIKEN

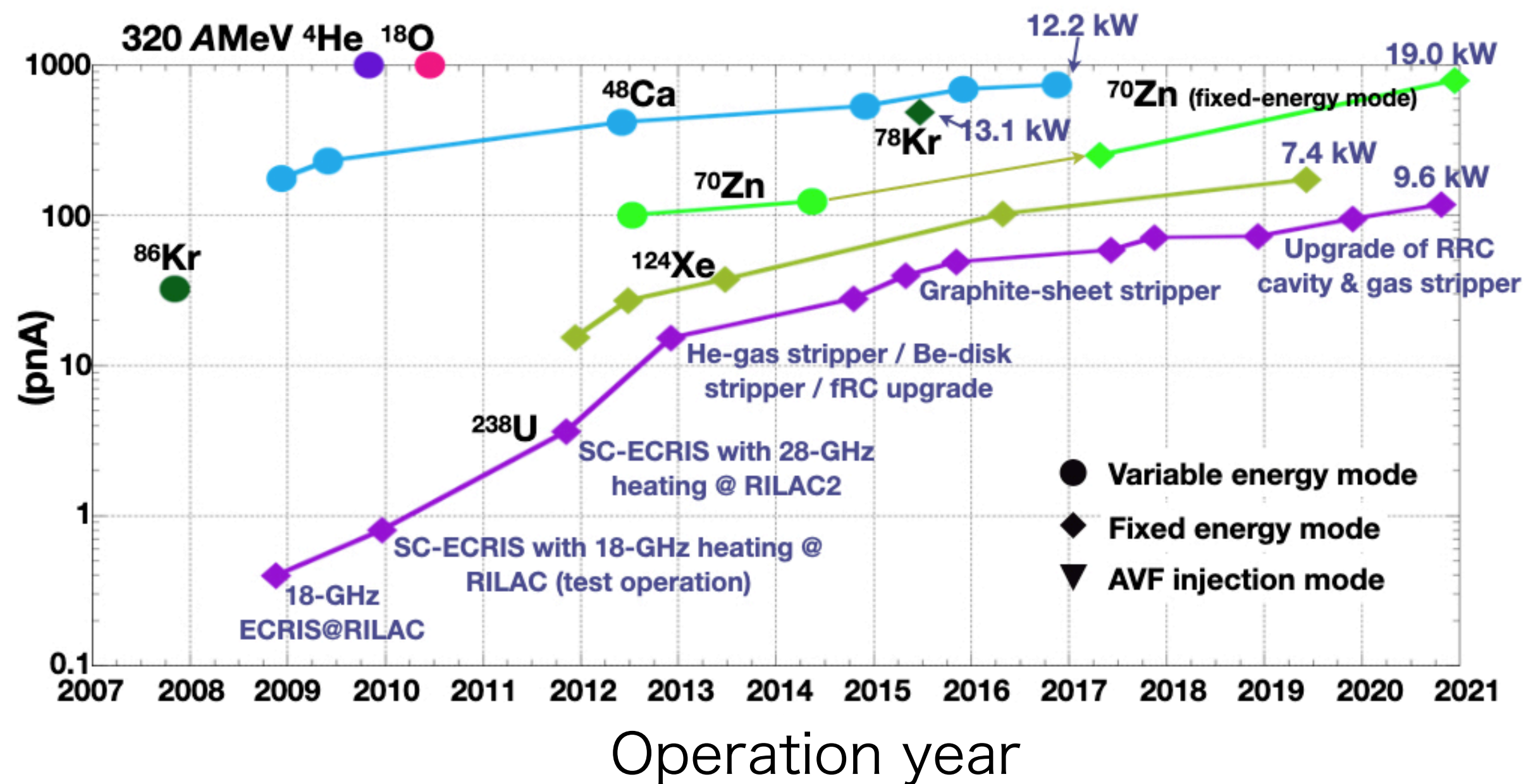
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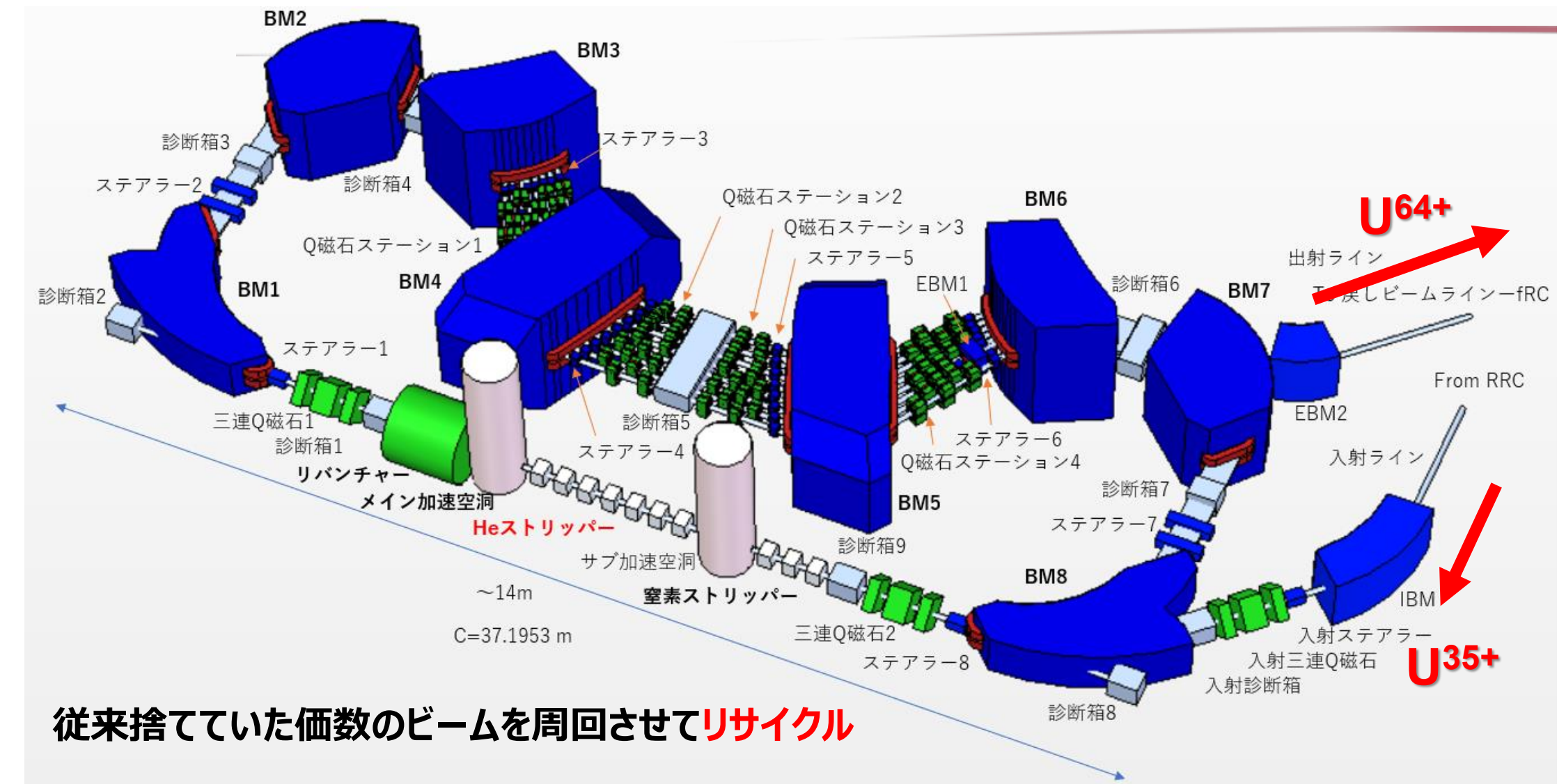
# Current status and upgrade plan of RIBF facility

Upgrade of Uranium beam intensity



2008 → 2014: ×70  
 2014 → 2020: ×4  
 Limitation of human optimization  
 2020 → 2030: ×10 by ML + hardware upgrade

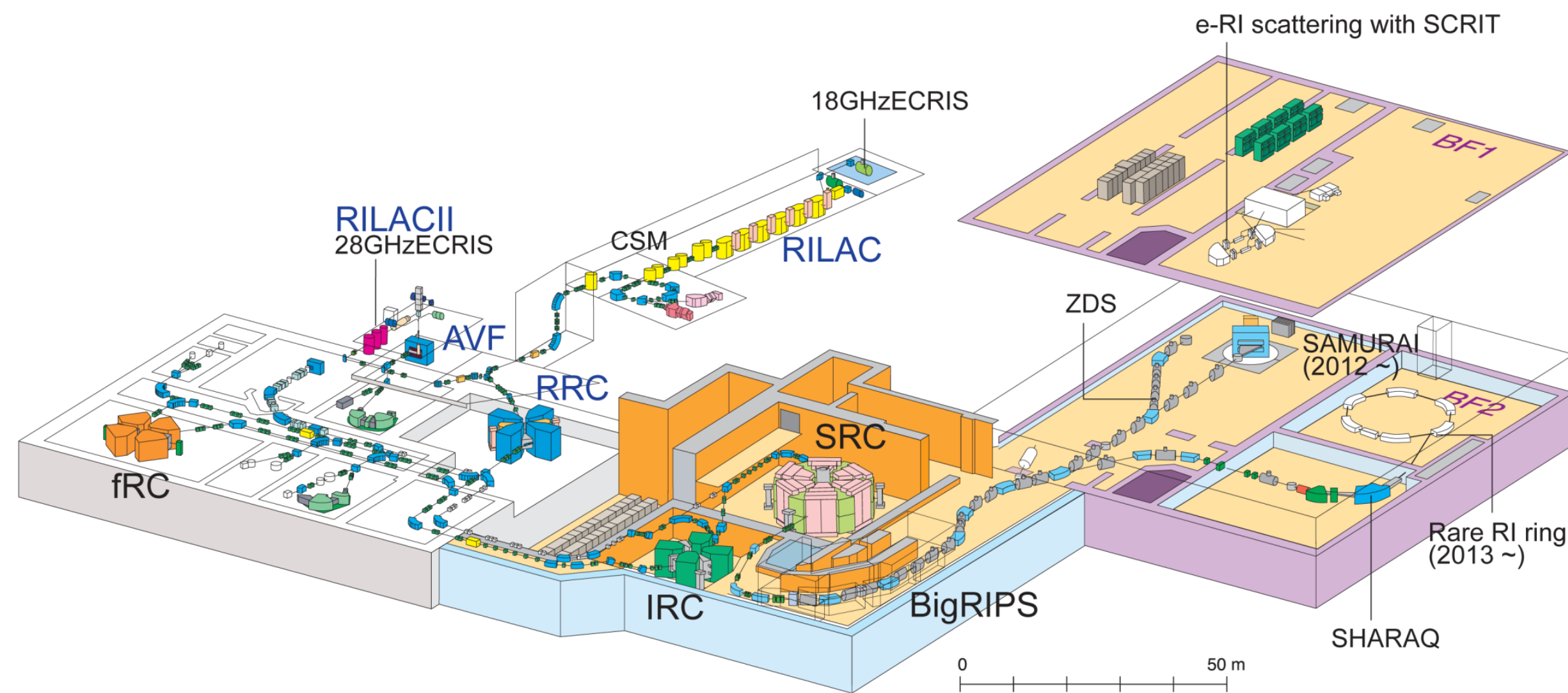
荷電変換リングのデザイン図



Key concept: **C**harge **S**tripper **R**ing  
 Beam current is limited by low efficiency of charge stripper (~20%).  
 → Beams in other charged states are recycled and re-injected into the gas stripper.

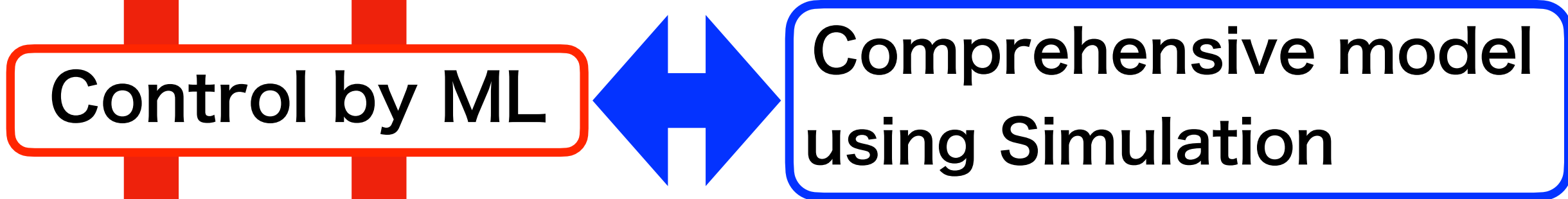
# Machine Learning Application for RIBF (Optimization)

- Transport line (beam optics optimization)



## Constant and automatic optimization of beam transport parameters

- more than 600 control params.
- other environmental params.



- non-destructive monitor
- radiation monitor
- detectors at downstream

Future goal : **> 1 pμA** <sup>86+U</sup> beam (×10 times upgrade)

⇔ local beam loss ~ **0.2%** can destroy the facility

To realize high intense <sup>86+U</sup> beam (> 1 pμA / 100 kW), we should

- **suppress beam loss to 0.1 ~ 1%,**
- **continuous adjustment**

# Keyword to Realize Auto Optimization of Beam Transport

## Optimization method

- Manual control → auto control system via EPICS
- Optimization of multidimensional parameters
- Relatively small data set (as for DNN)

## Beam monitor

- Monitor for transmission and beam spot
- Availability for high intensity beams

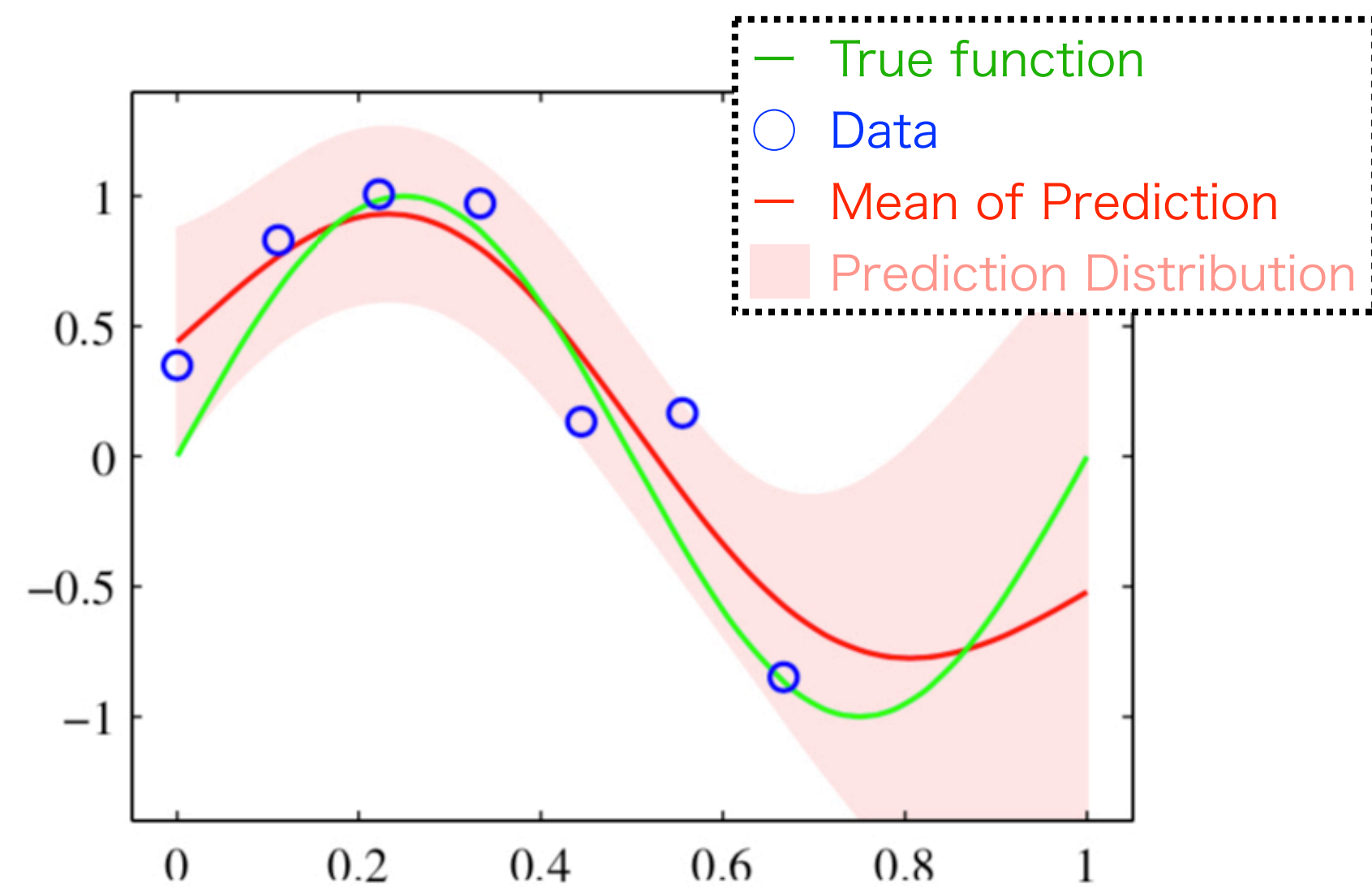
## Safety

- Safety system to stop the beam immediately (Beam Interlock System)
- Avoiding high risk parameters during optimization

# Optimization Method: Auto Optimization using Gaussian Process Regression

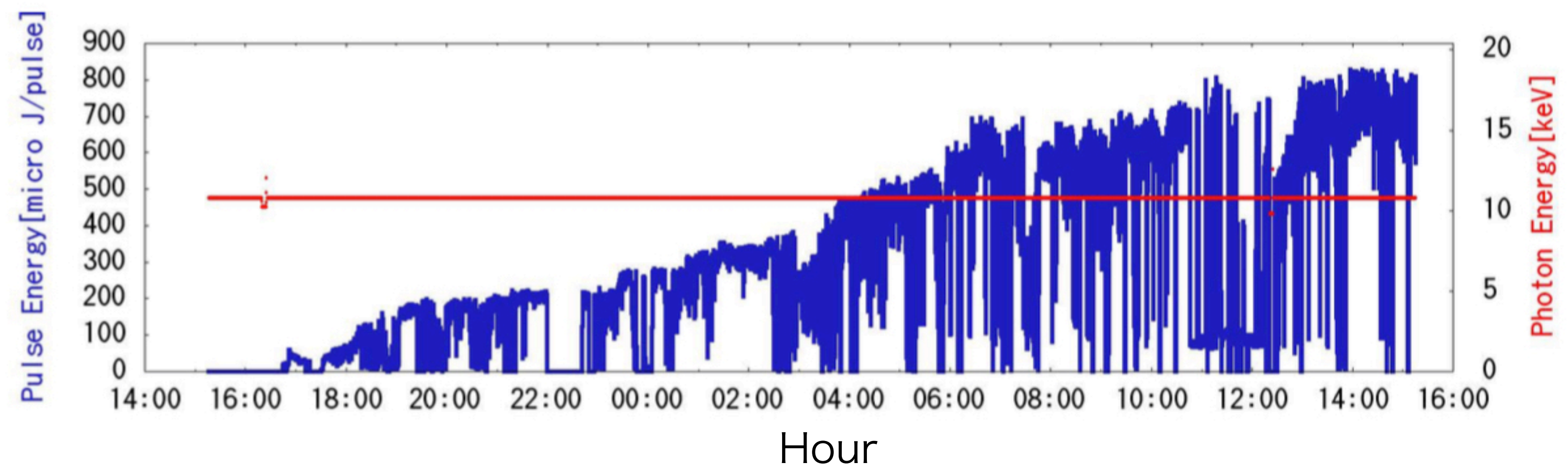
Developed / applied for usual manipulation in SACLA @ SPring-8

## Gaussian Process Regression



C. M. Bishop, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Springer (2006)

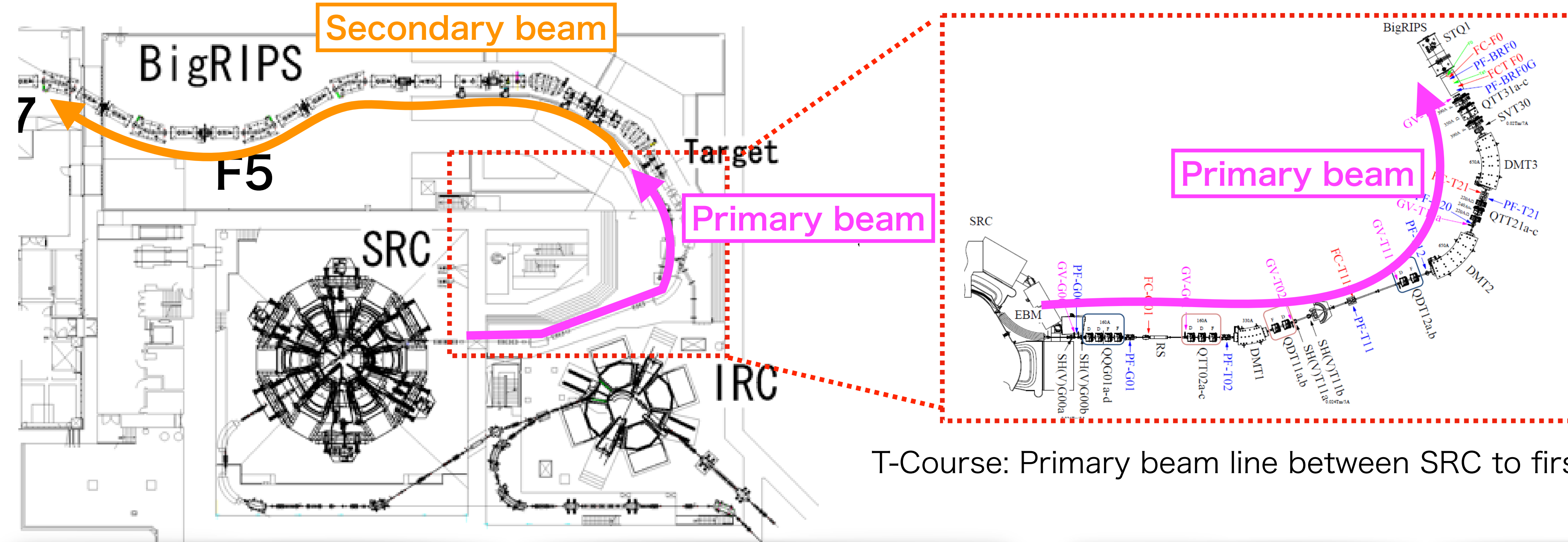
Auto tuning of XFEL@SACLA using GPR  
Ex. of optimization of the laser intensity with 15 param.



- Handling multi-dimensional data with errors
- Avoiding local minimum
- **Relatively small step to reach optimized goal**

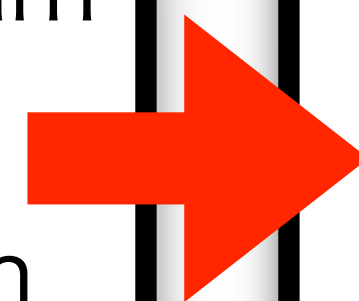
Slide from E. Iwai, “ビーム物理研究会2020”

# Attempt to Introduce ML Optimization to RIBF: "T-Course"



T-Course: Primary beam line between SRC to first target

- Fragment Separator (BigRIPS) is located at downstream  
→ there are a lot of detectors
- Transmission ~ 90% for  $^{86}\text{U}$  beam in normal operation
- Simultaneous optimization of transmission / spot shape



- To realize high intense  $^{86}\text{U}$  beam (> 1 puA / 100 kW), we should
- **suppress beam loss to 0.1 ~ 1%,**
  - **keep spot small ( $\sigma \sim 1\text{mm}$ ).**

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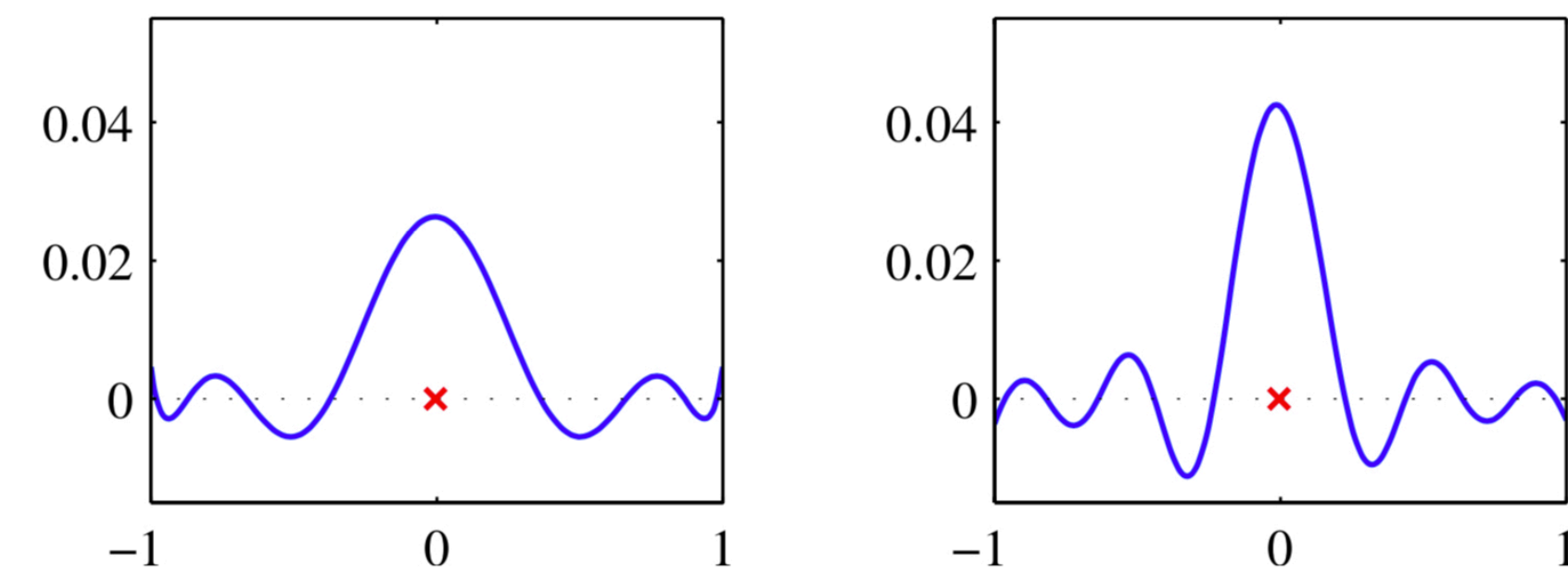
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kernel function:

“Indicator of the strength of correlation between  $x_i$  and x”

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**Figure 3.11** Examples of equivalent kernels  $k(x, x')$  for  $x = 0$  plotted as a function of  $x'$ , corresponding (left) to the polynomial basis functions and (right) to the sigmoidal basis functions shown in Figure 3.1. Note that these are localized functions of  $x'$  even though the corresponding basis functions are nonlocal.





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Intrinsic error of the measurement

Ambiguity from the estimation

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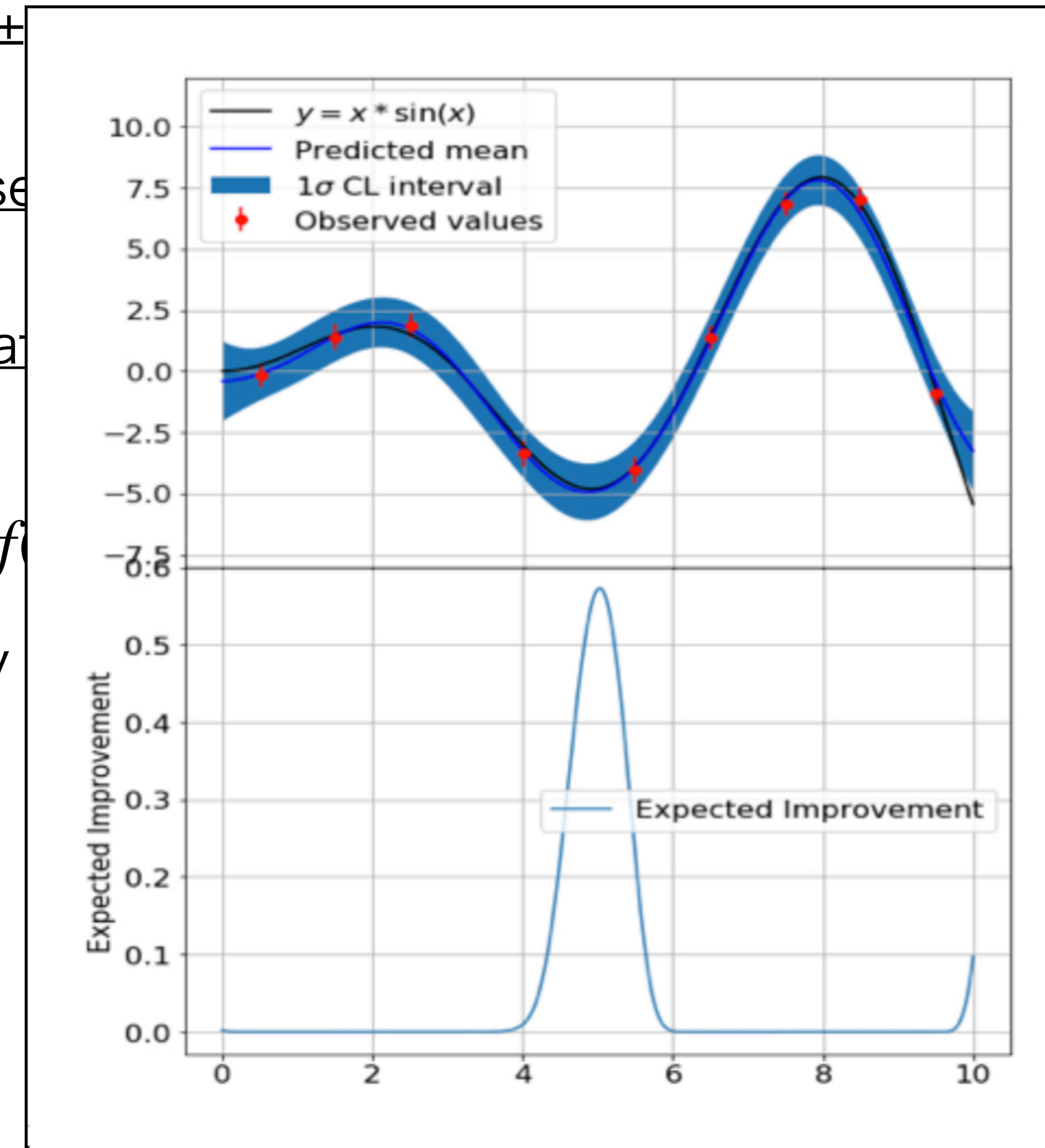
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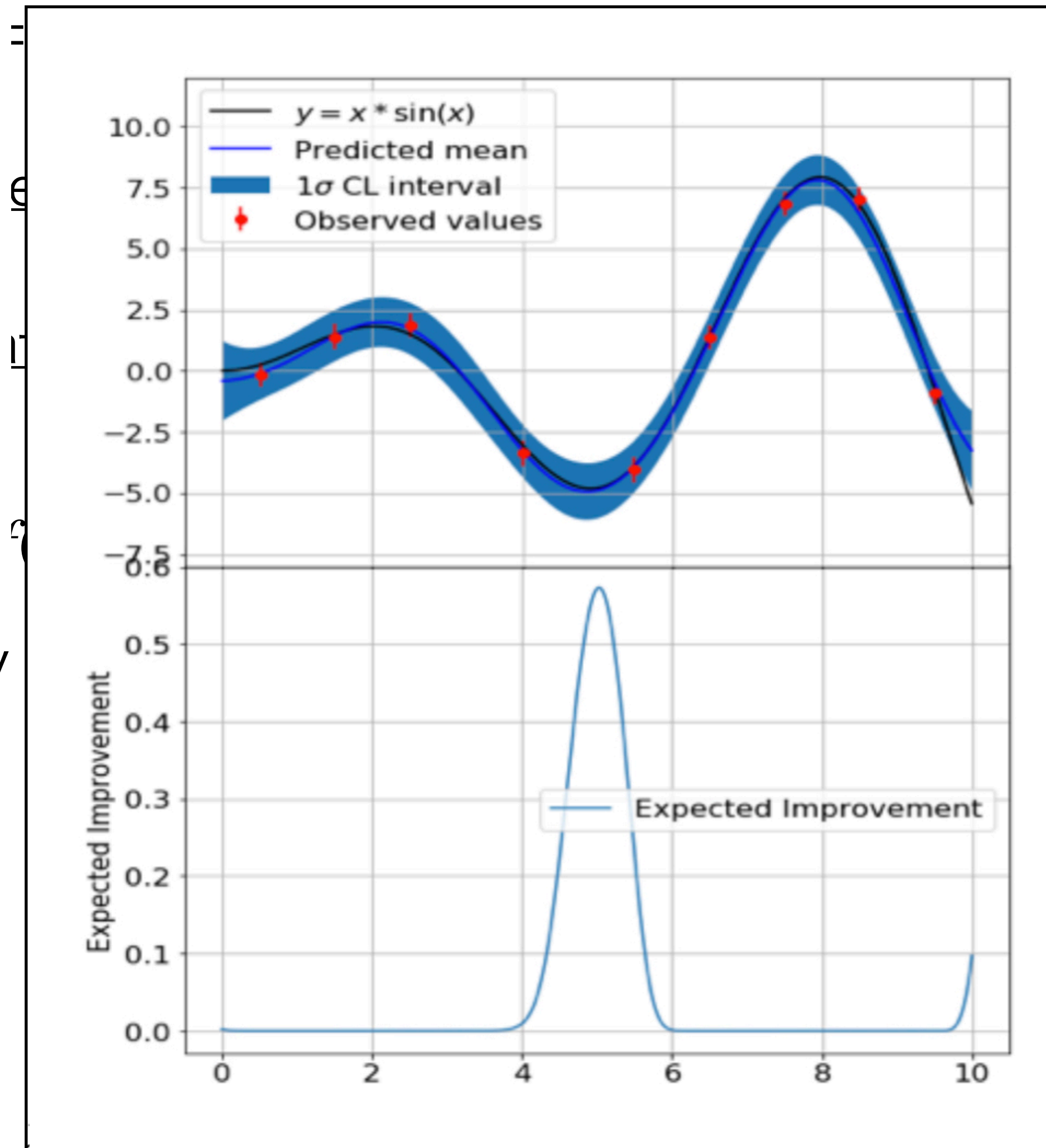
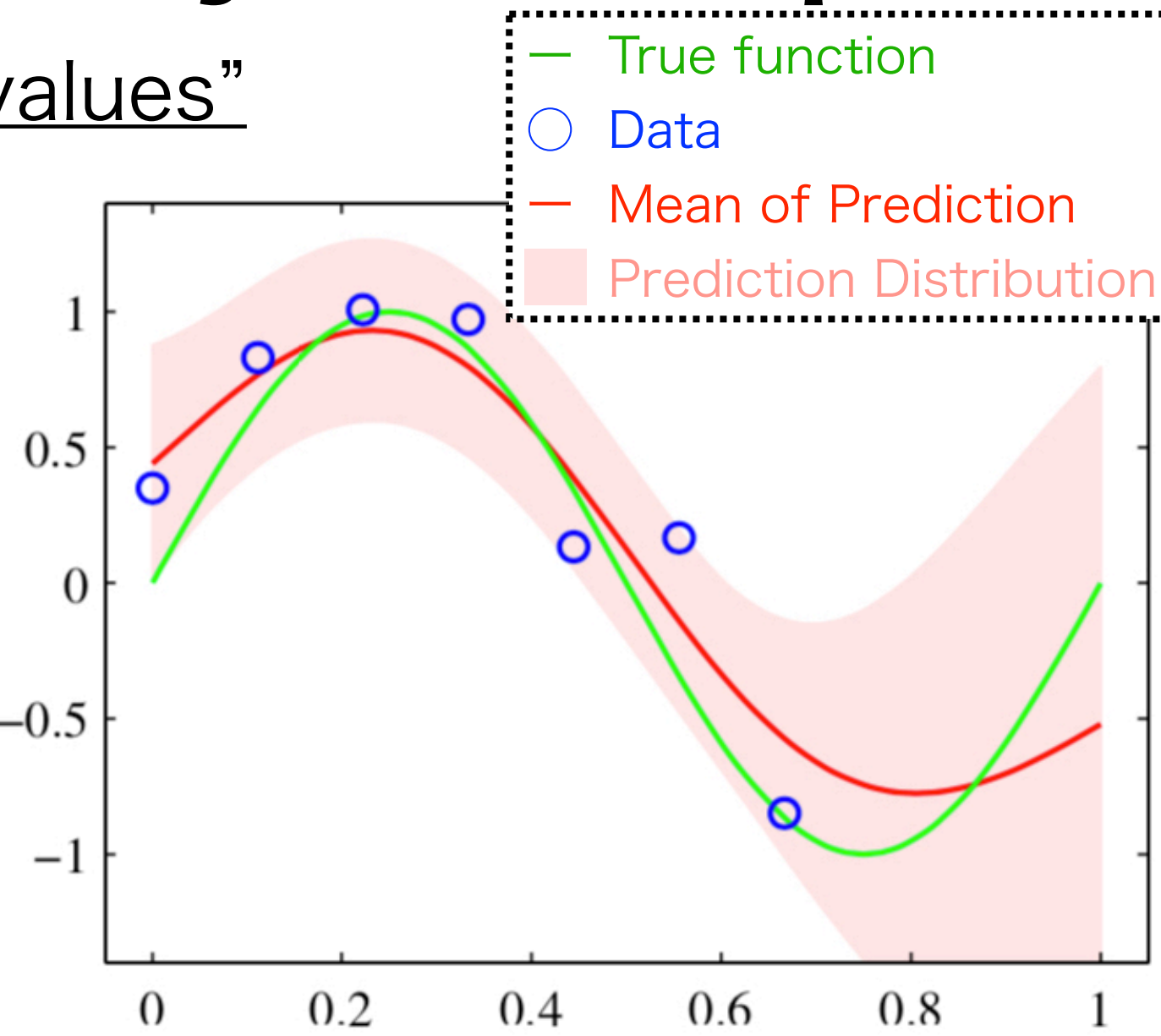
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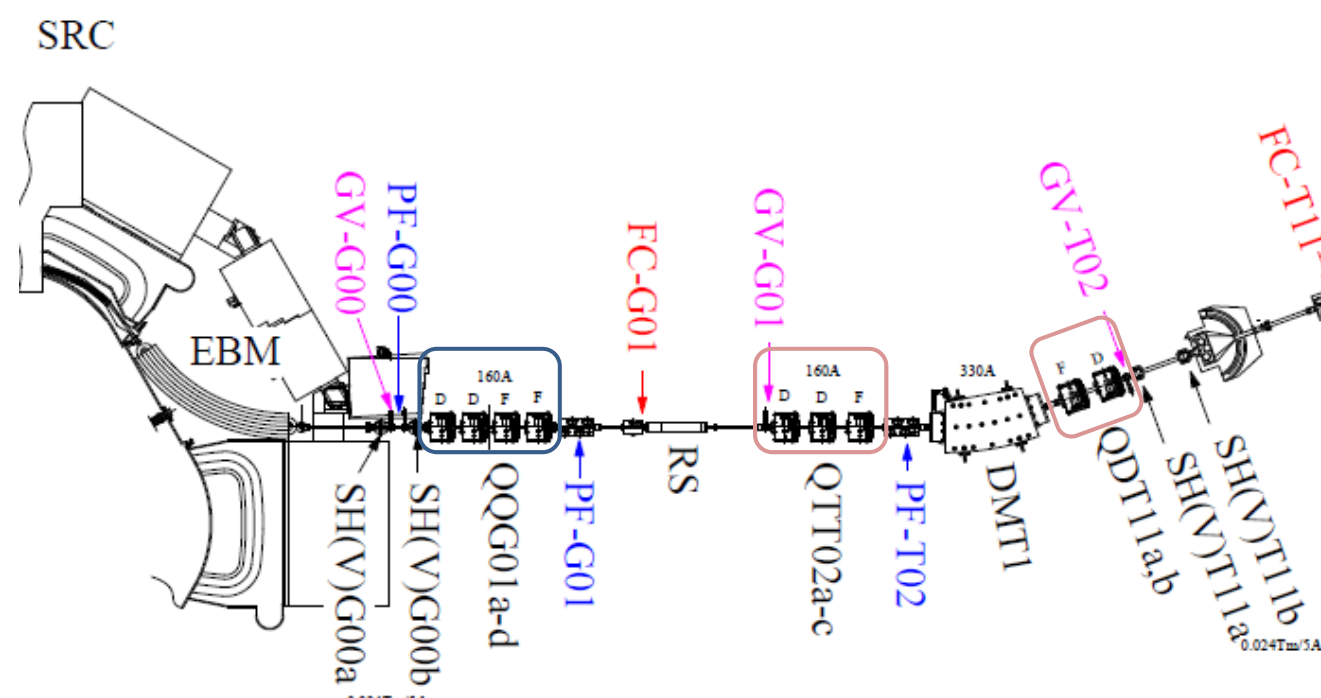
4. Apply a new parameter with maximum EI to the real system and measure the data  
to search the point with the maximum EI, we use the library BoTorch /GPyTorch
5. Repeat 2 ~ 4 and search the best point

# Development History of GPR Optimization System@RIBF

- **1st attempt an automatic optics optimization by ML**
  - simultaneous optimization of transmission and beam spot
- **Development of indicators for high intensity beams**
  - secondary beam with charge conversion

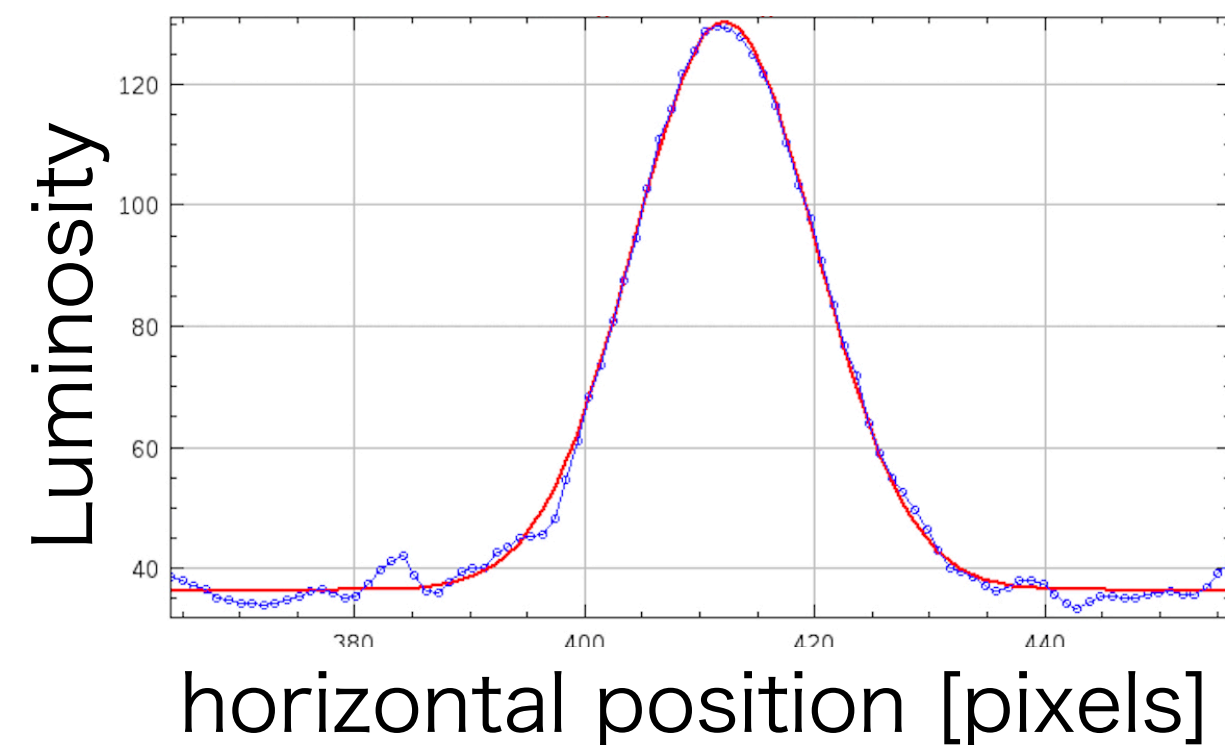
# Automatic Optics Optimization ①: Test with Low Intensity Beam

(1) Change parameters  
(Q / Steerer) by EPICS



U<sup>86+</sup> 345 MeV/u  
~ 0.001 enA  
2.0 e+7 cps

(2) Measure beam spot  
by fluorescent viewer



(3) Calculate objective function  
Create model by GPR  
Choose next param.

Gaussian Process  
Regression  
(Bayesian Optimization)

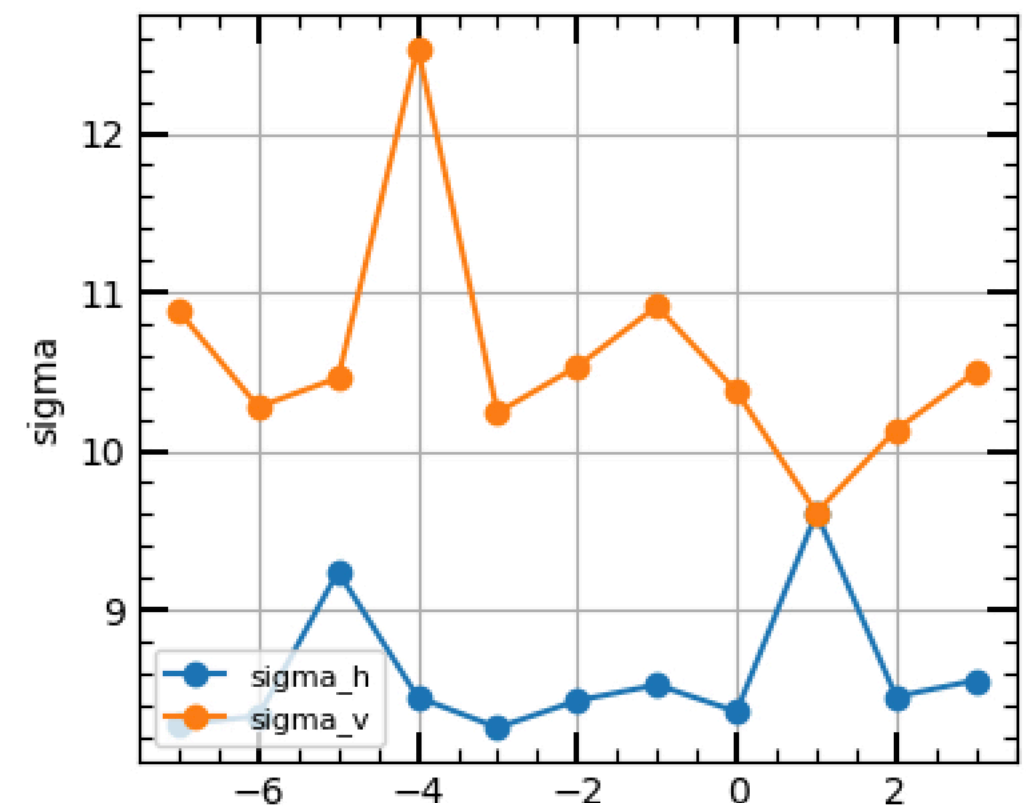


**Intensity** : Integral of image luminosity  
**Spot** : Image width

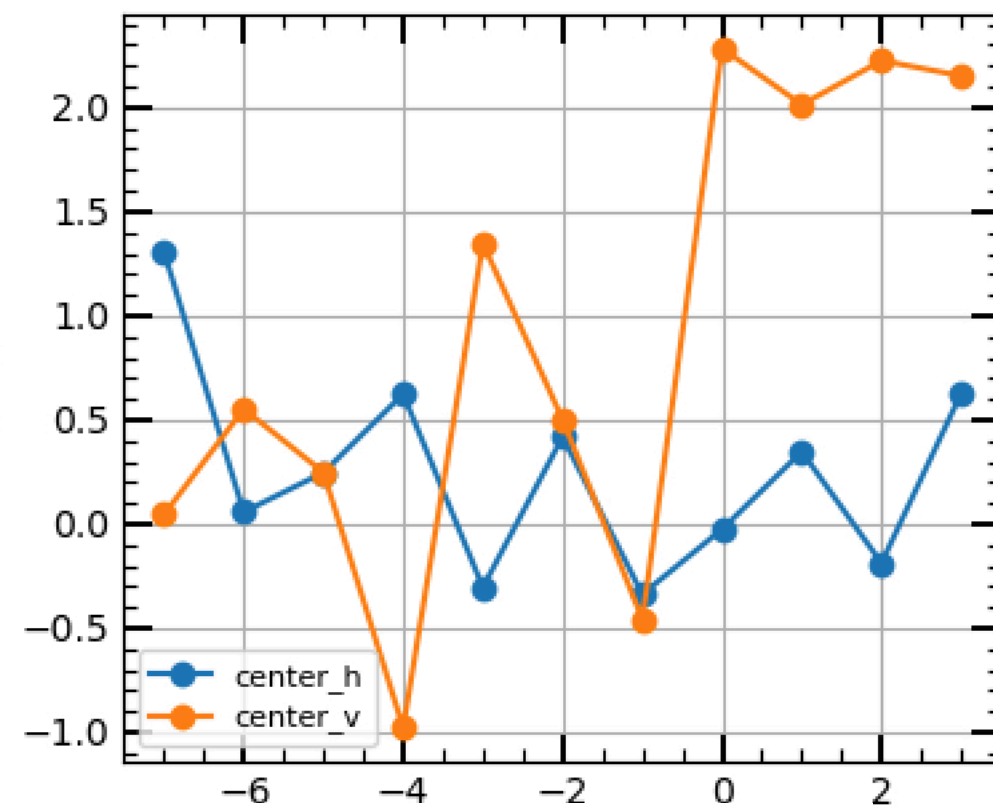
Repeat (1) — (3)  
to optimize optics

# 1st Exp. : Auto Tuning with Low Intensity Beam

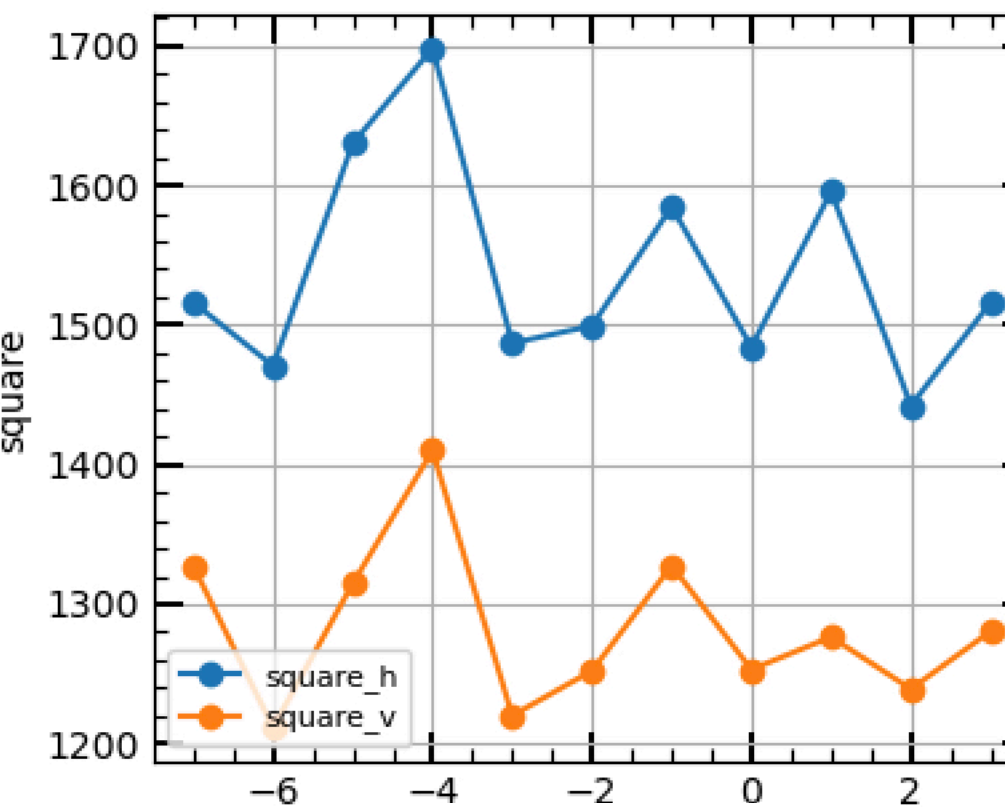
Demonstration test at 2020 Oct. 21:00 ~ 9:00



$\sigma_{h,v}$  vs Epoch



Pos<sub>h,v</sub> vs Epoch

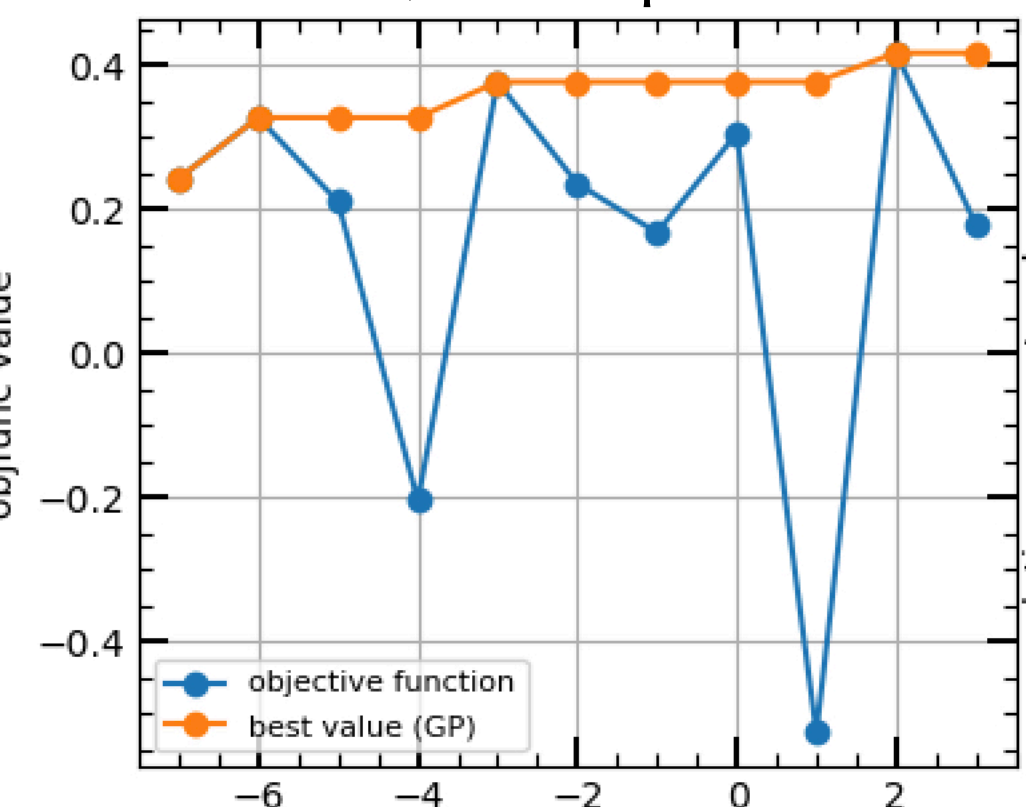


S<sub>h,v</sub> vs Epoch

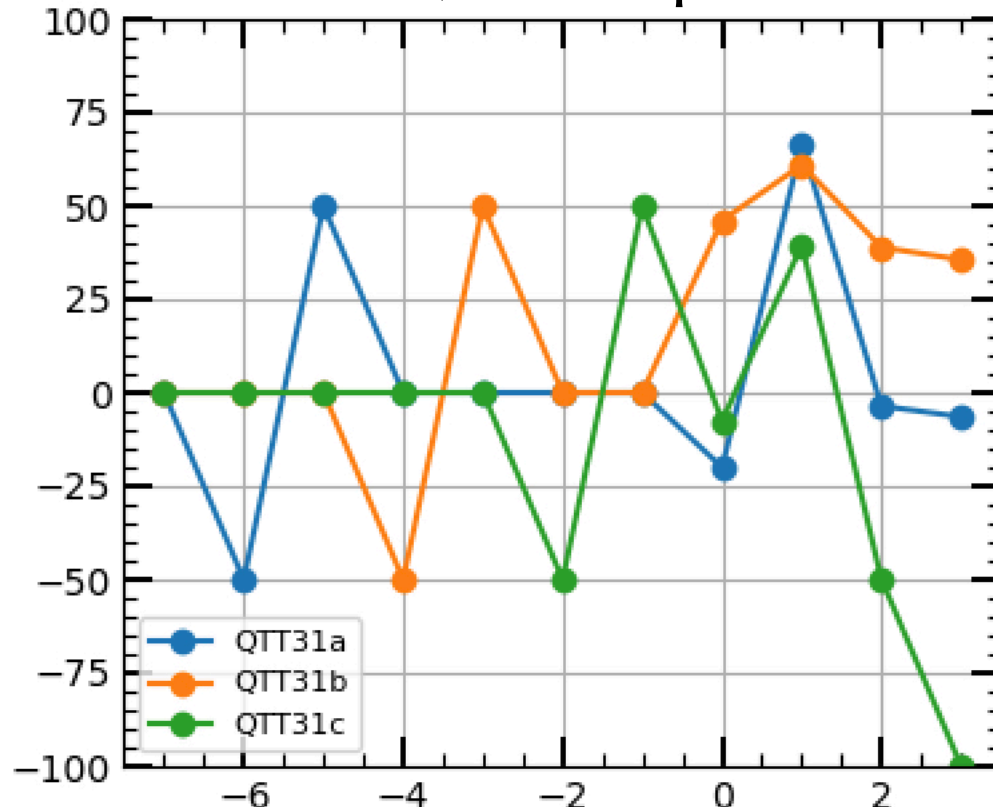
Initial: manually optimized params.  
Goal : good transmission  
small beam spot

- 3 ~ 7 params. (Quadrupoles)
- 1 epoch ~ 1 s
- 1 try ~ 5 min (~300 epoch)
- ~ 0.001 enA

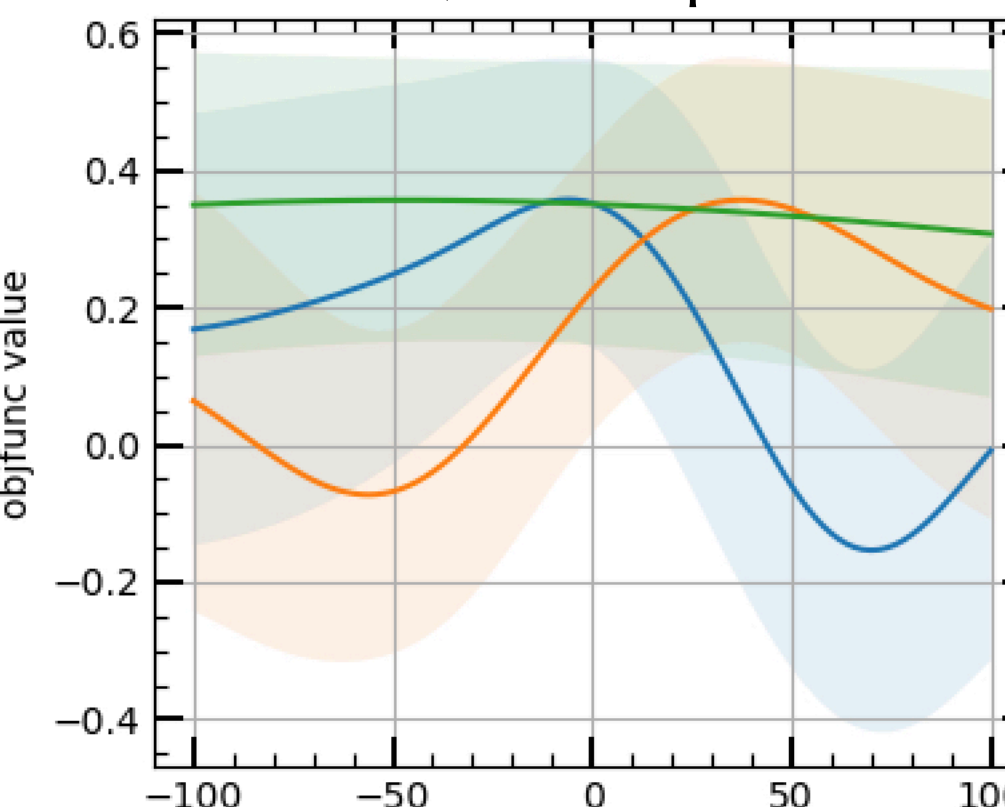
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Objective function vs Epoch



Current of Q vs Epoch



Objectives vs Current of Q



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Ratio (BD/FC <sub>up</sub> )※	1.01	1.03
Wire Scanner の像		

• Transmission ↗ 2%  
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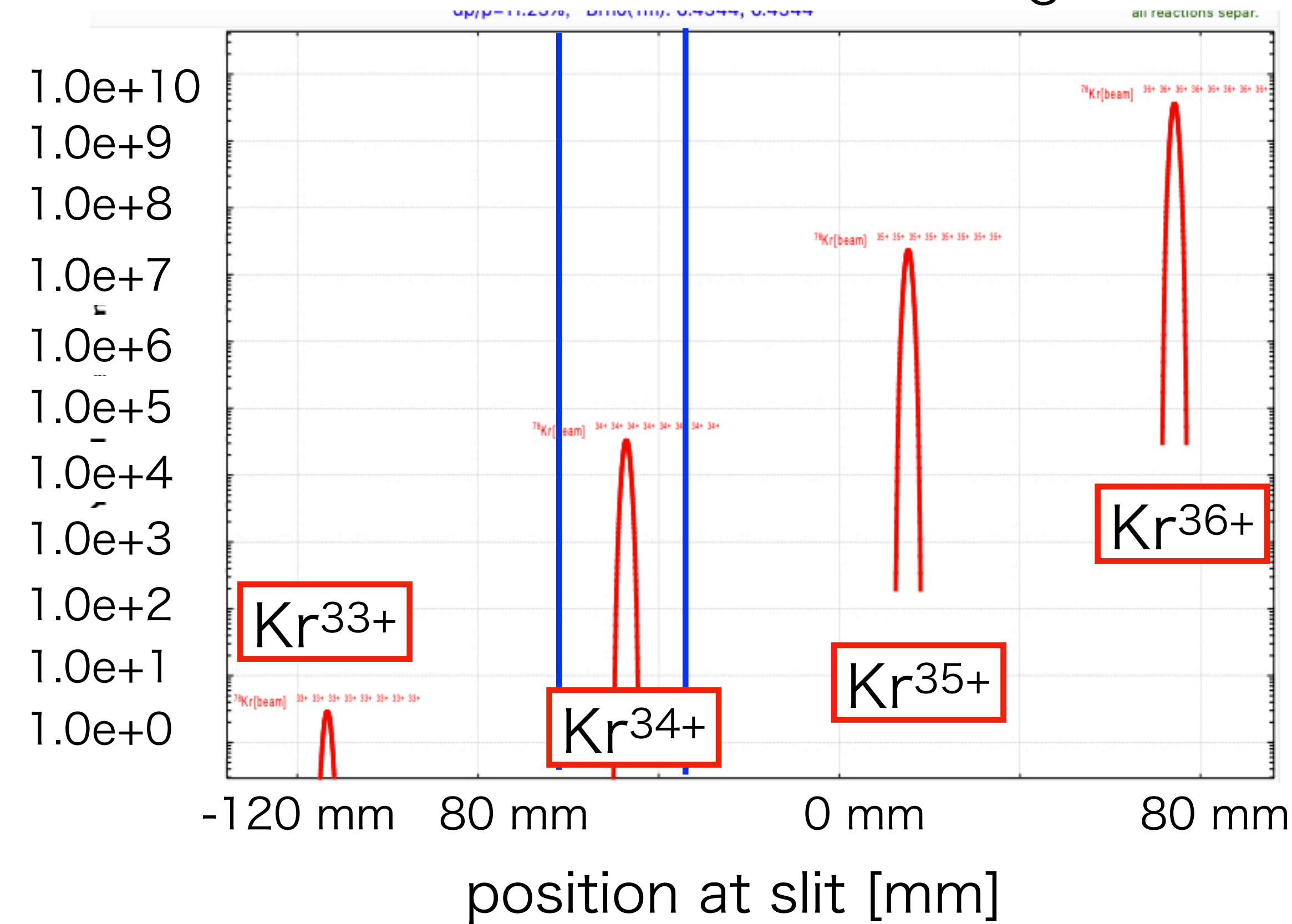
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- Algorithm works as expected
- Optics is improved with low intensity beam (limit by fluorescent viewer: 0.001 enA)
- △ Effective algorithm

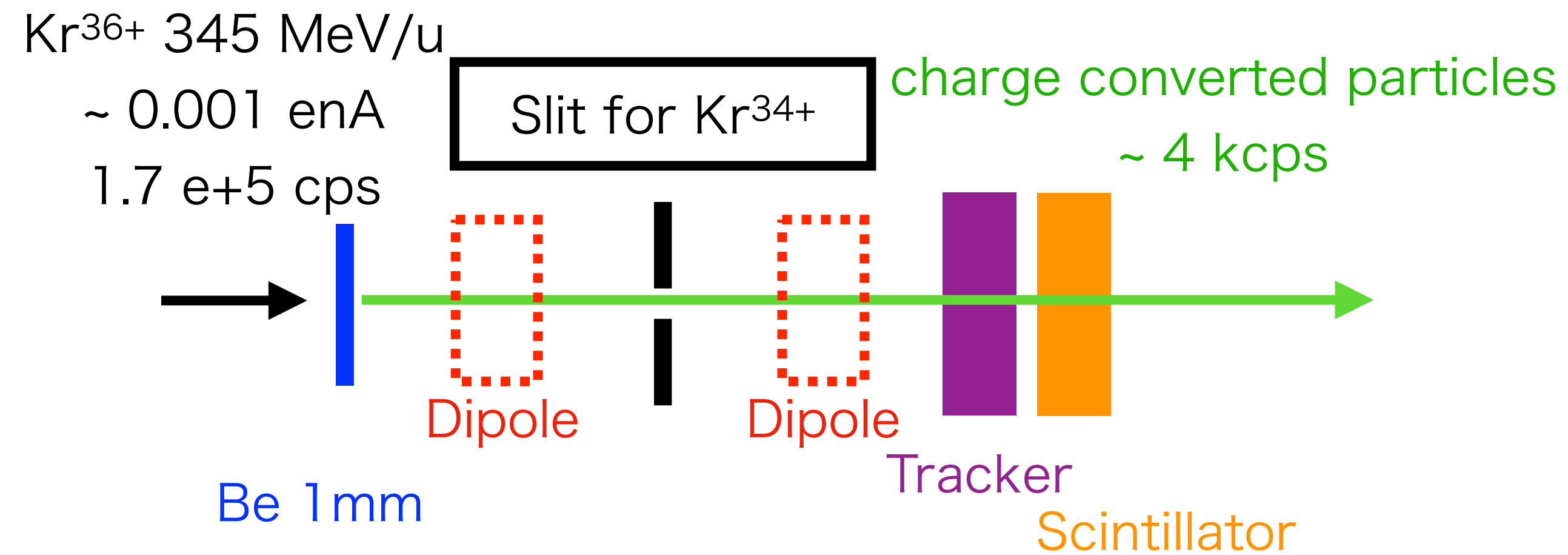
# Automatic Optics Optimization ②: Indicator for High Intensity Beam

charged particle dist. at **Slit**  
in downstream of 1st target



**Intensity : Scintillator in downstream**  
**Spot : Tracker in downstream**

Detector in downstream  
PPAC (tracker) / Scintillator



Convert charge state of beam by Be 1mm target  
Make low intense beam

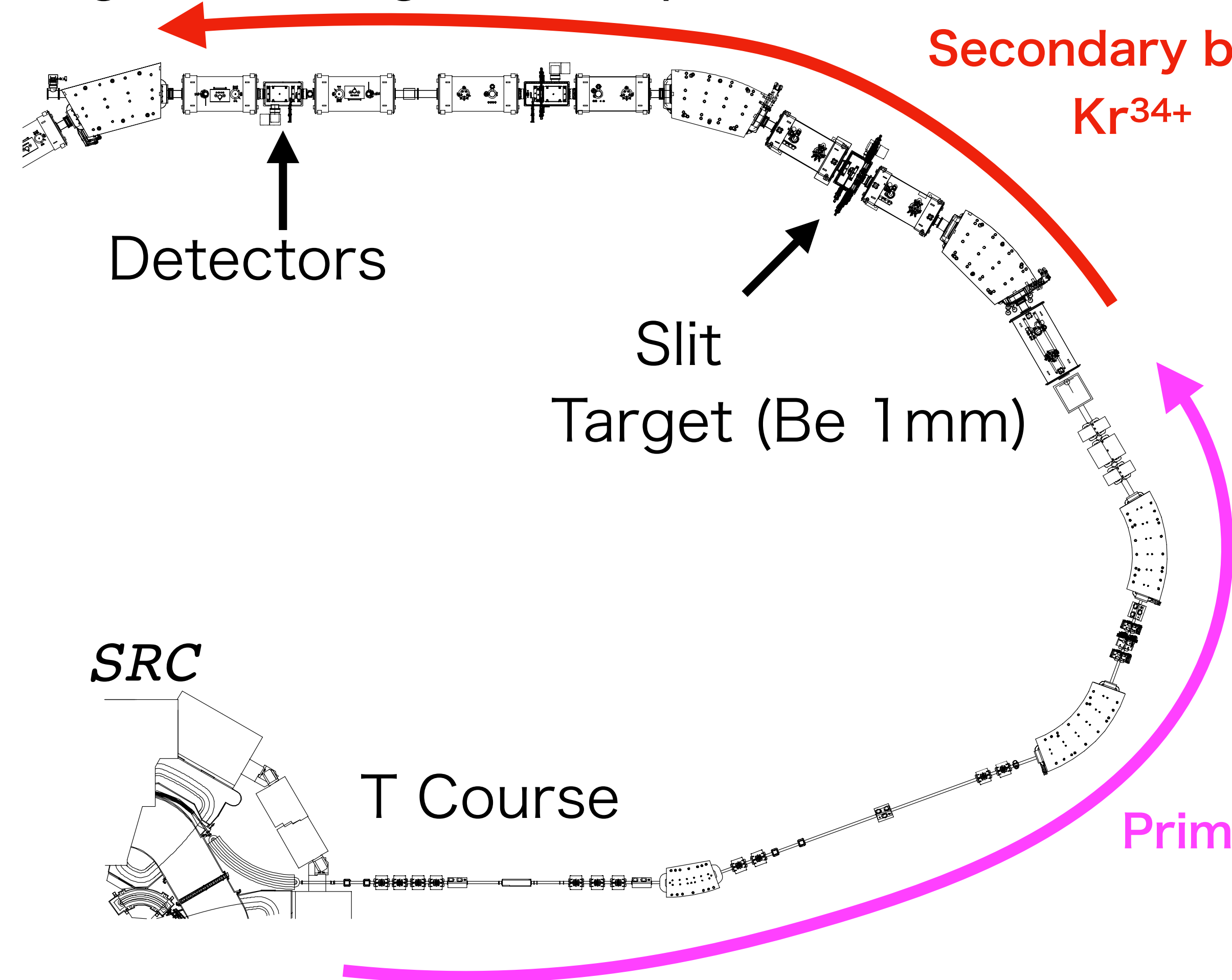
	Primary beam intensity	Expected rate
Kr <sup>35+</sup>	0.001 enA	1 kcps
Kr <sup>34+</sup>	1 enA	2 kcps
Kr <sup>33+</sup>	(300 enA)	1 kcps

# 4th Exp. : Auto Tuning with High Intensity Beam

Real time tracker system is realized and connected to EPICS\*  
 → test with ideal situation with Be target and tracker / scintillator

\* T. Sumikama *et al*, RIKEN Accel. Prog. Rep 54, 82 (2021)

BigRIPS (Fragment Separator)



Experiment items

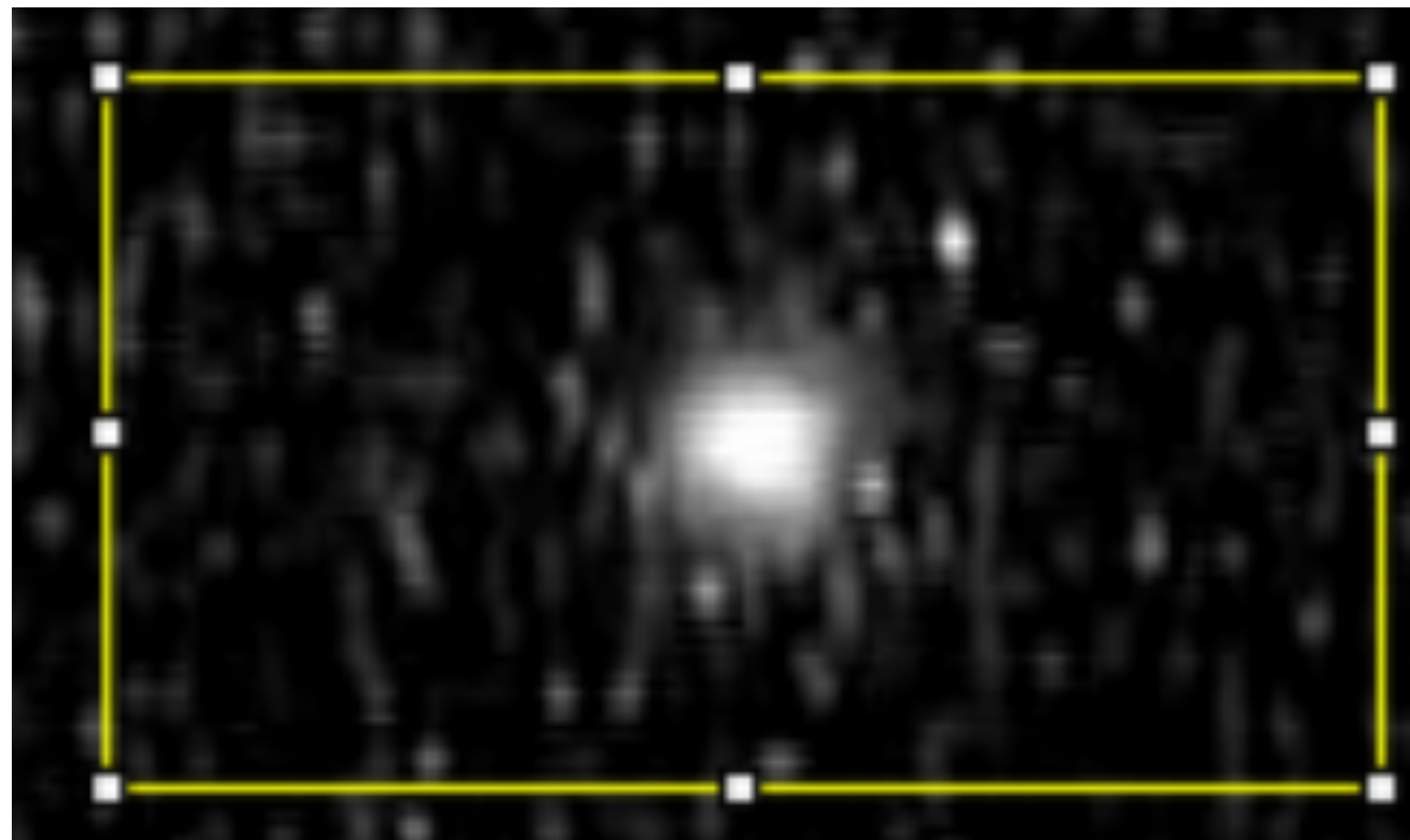
- A. Compare beam spot measured by **Viewer** and **Tracker**
- B. Increase the beam intensity and optimize beam optics using Tracker / Scintillator

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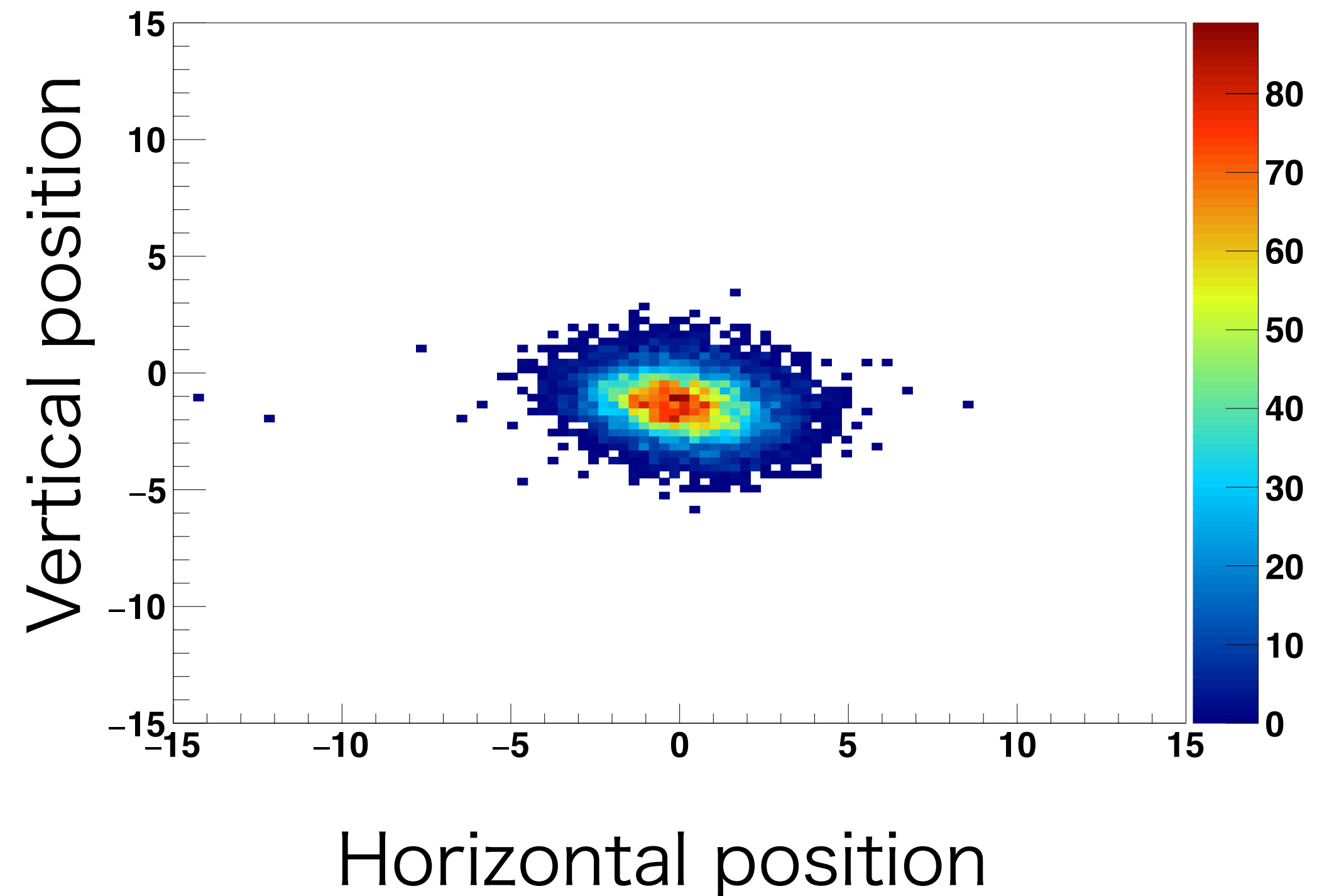
Change optics and compare

- fluorescent viewer image of primary beam ( $\text{Kr}^{36+}$ )
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Fluorescent viewer ( $\text{Kr}^{36+}$ )



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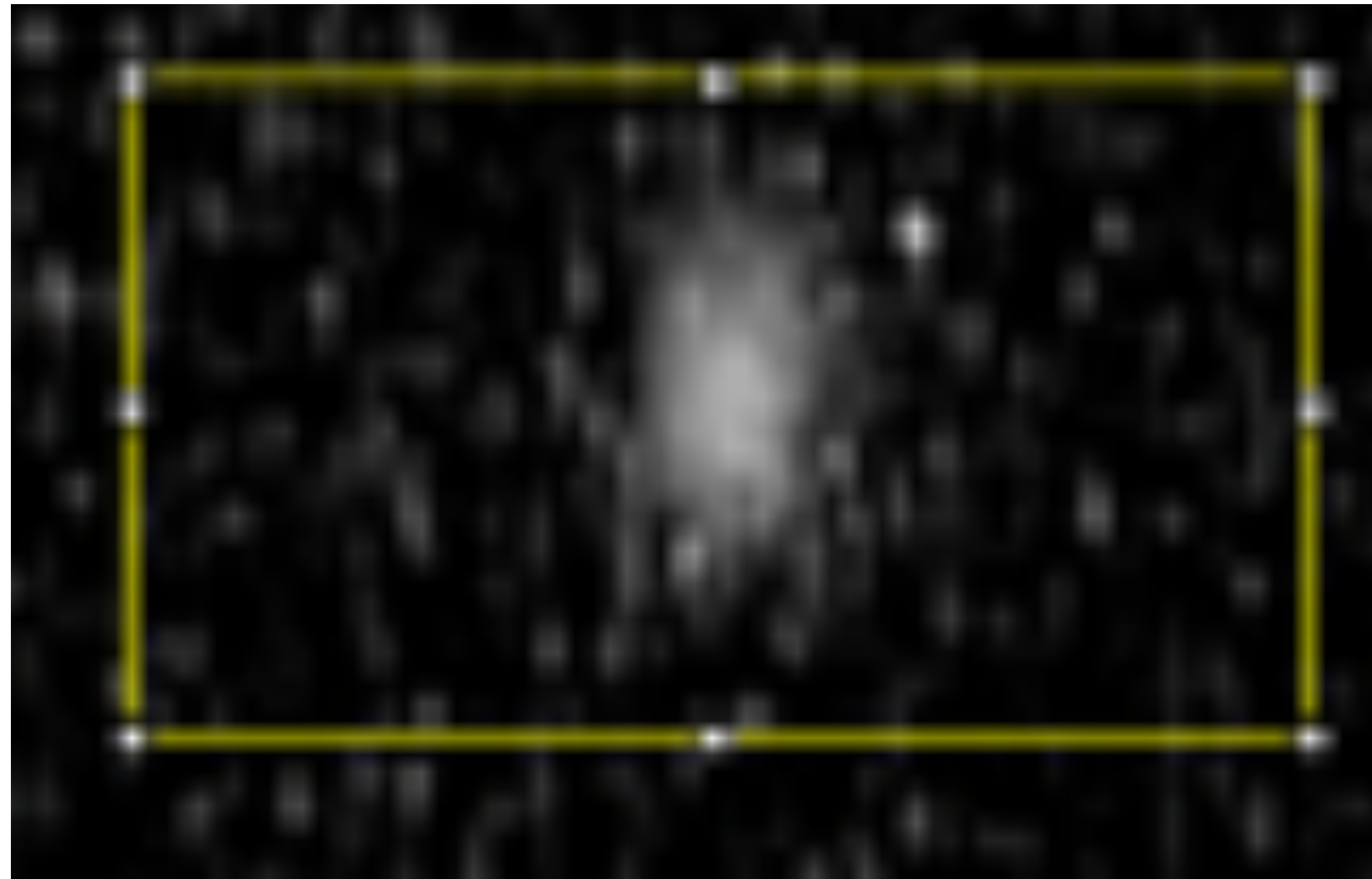
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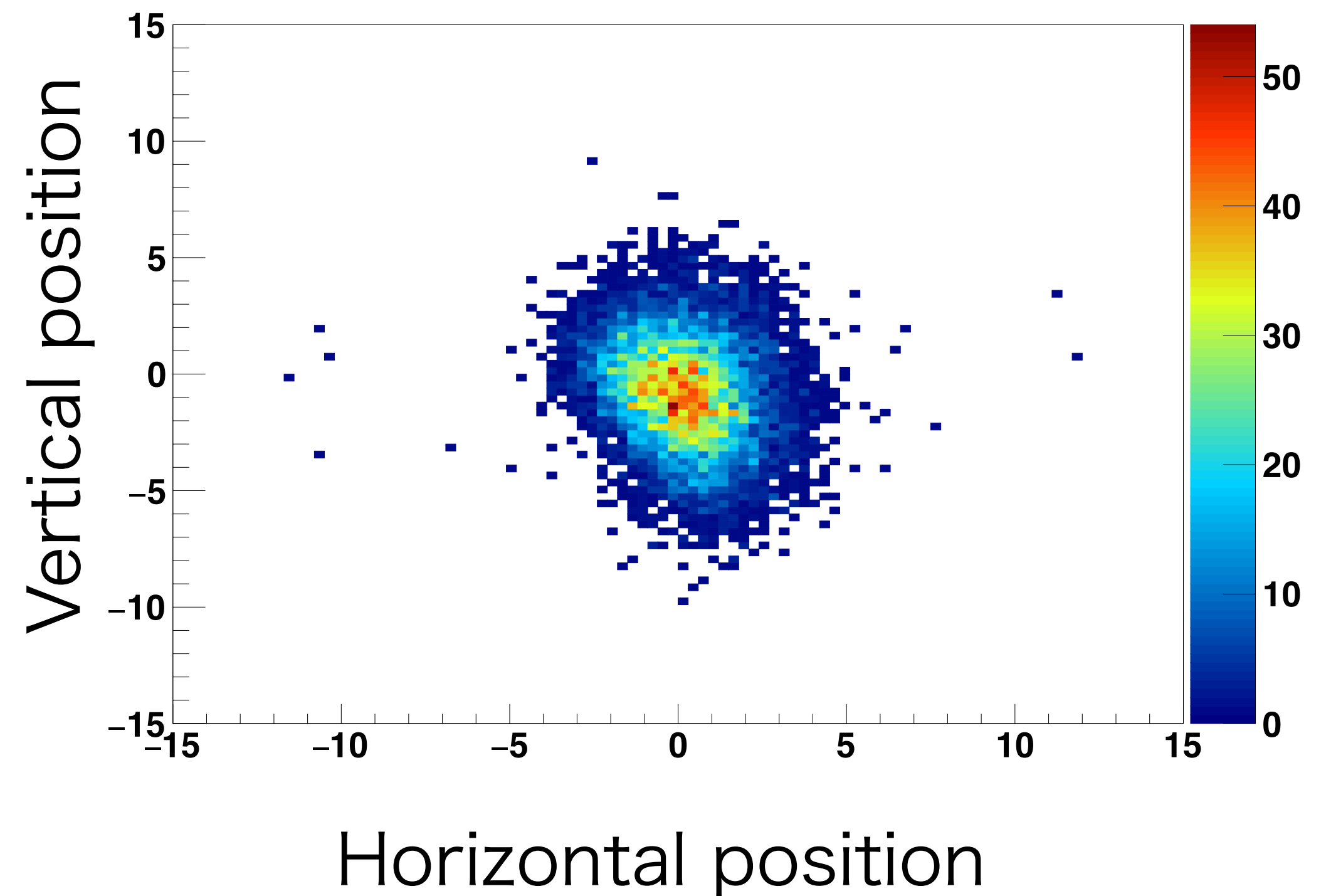
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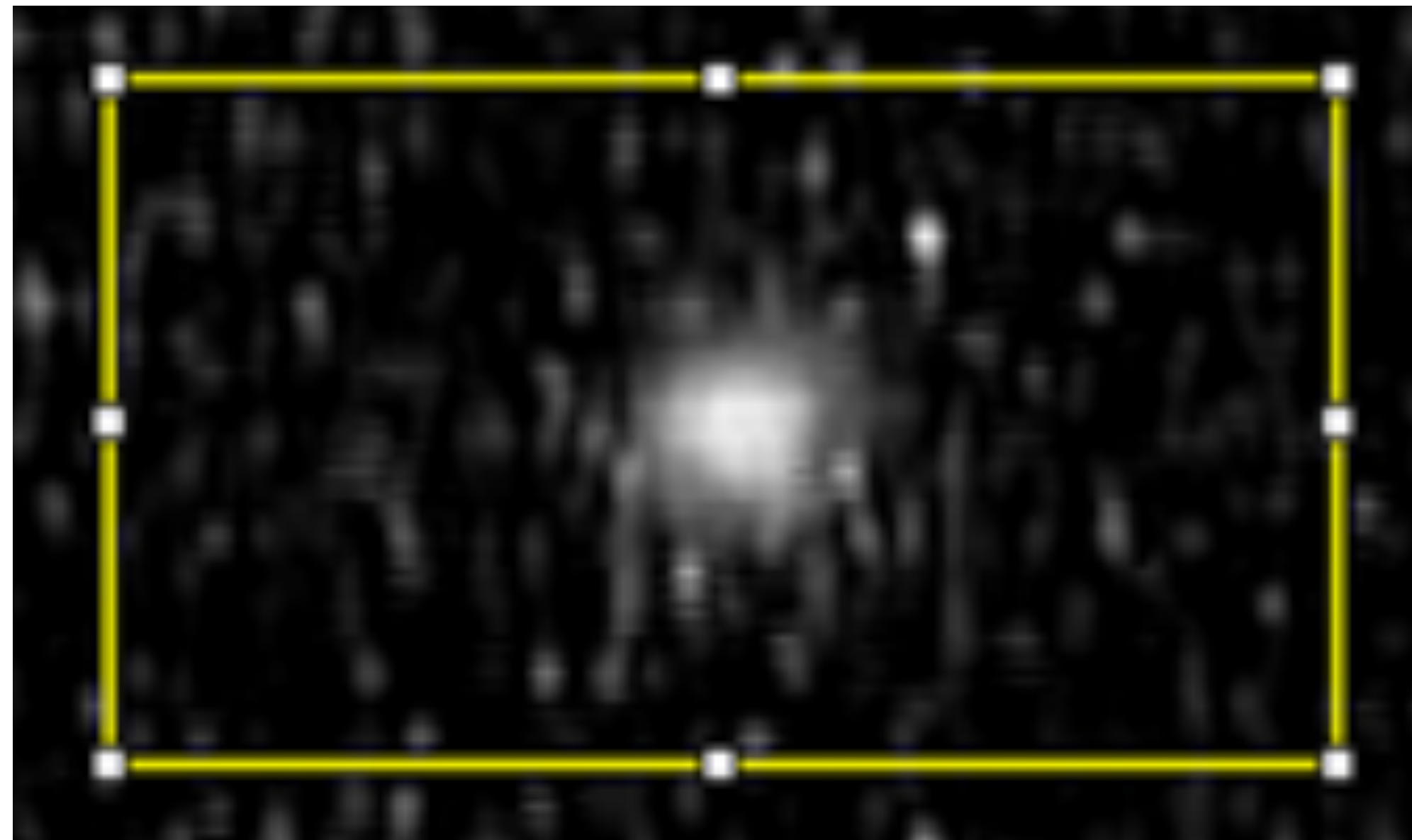
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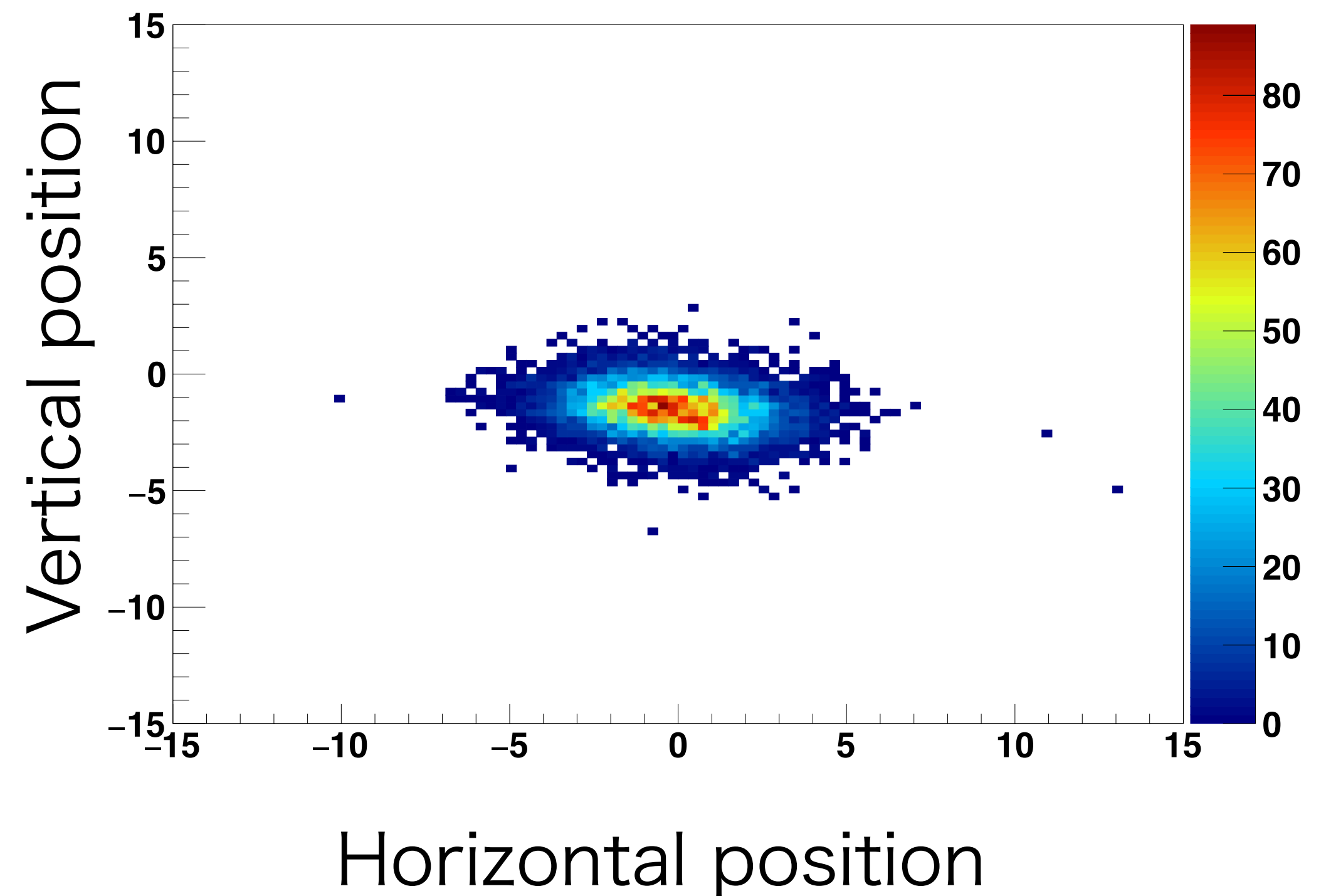
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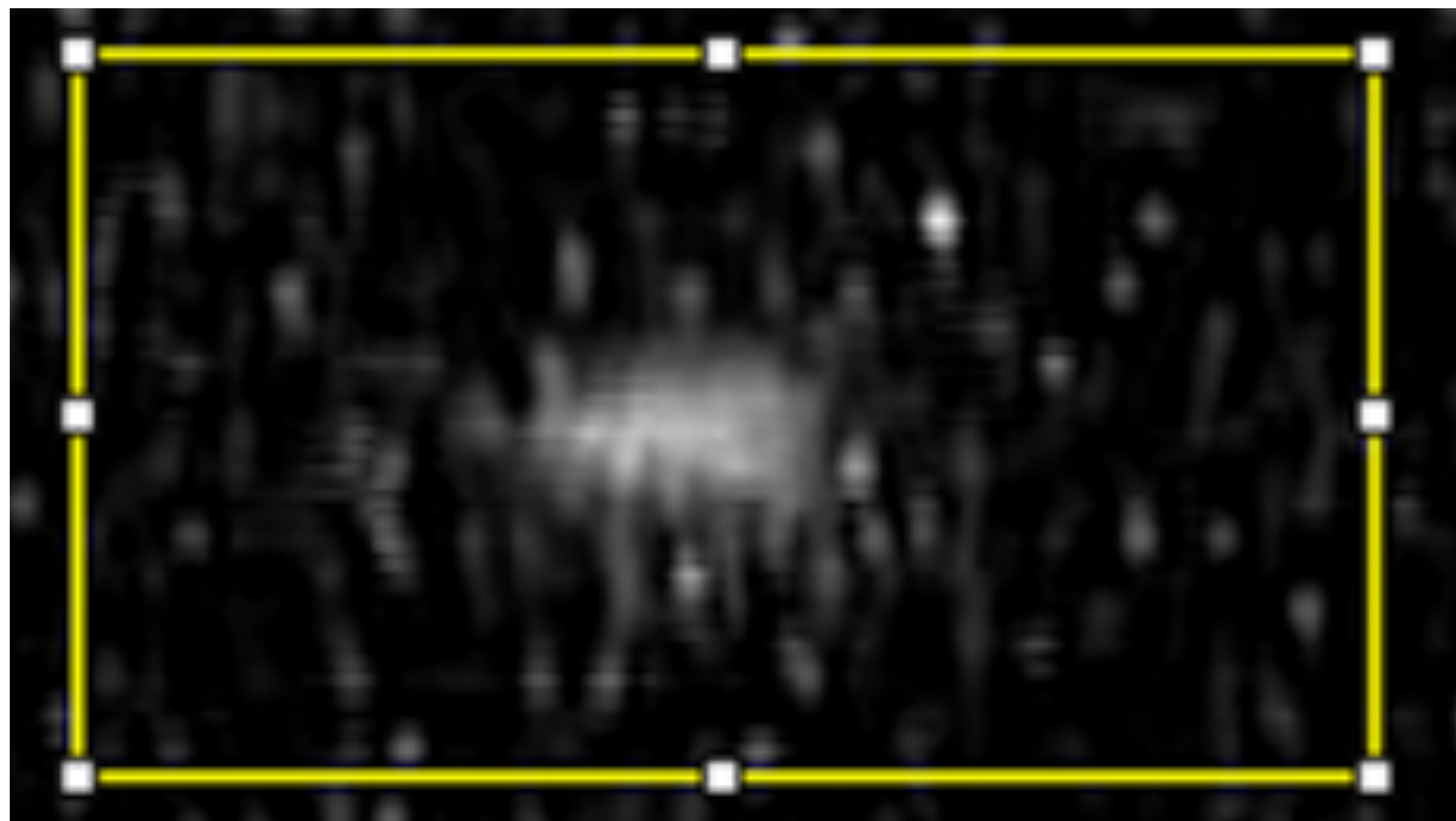
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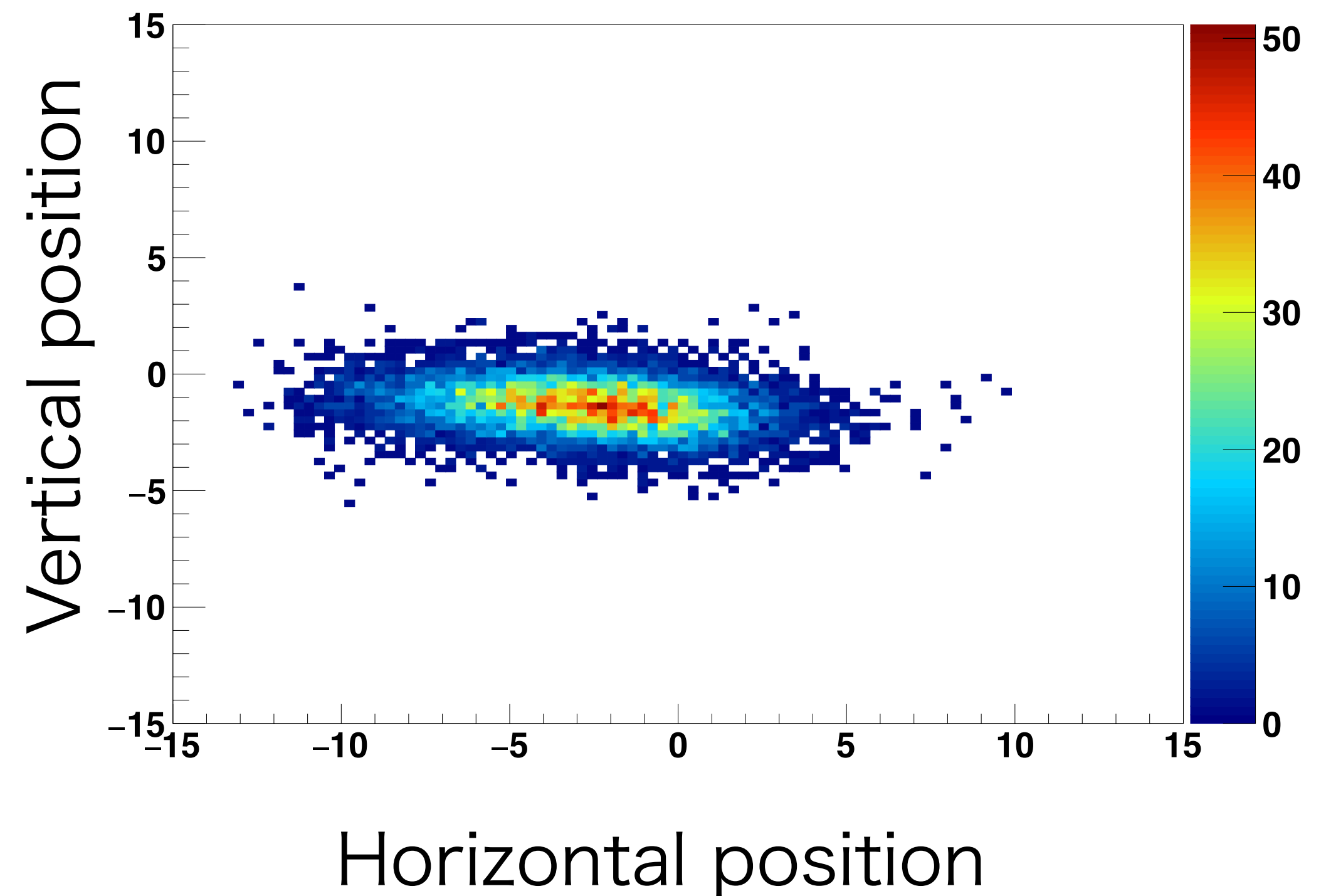
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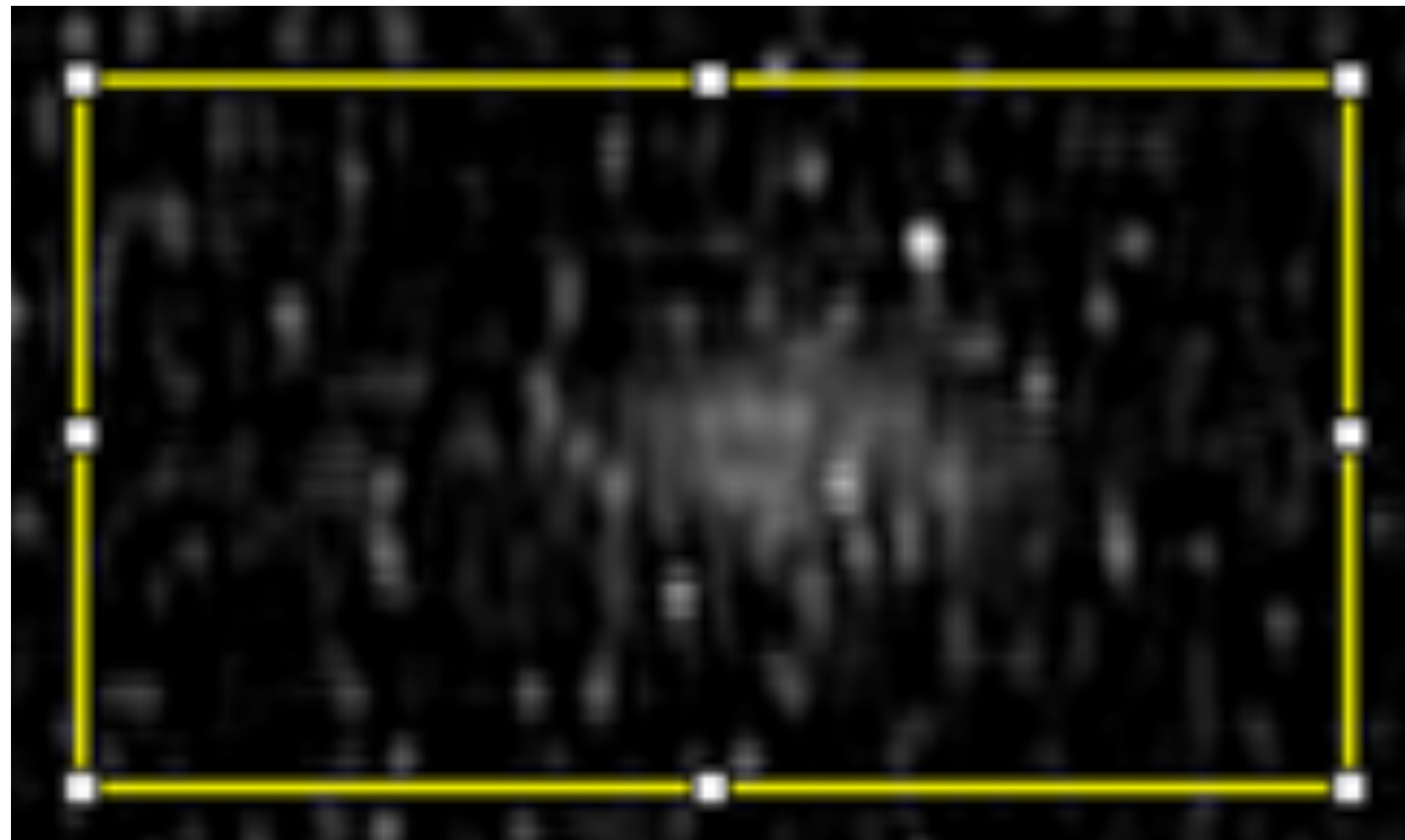


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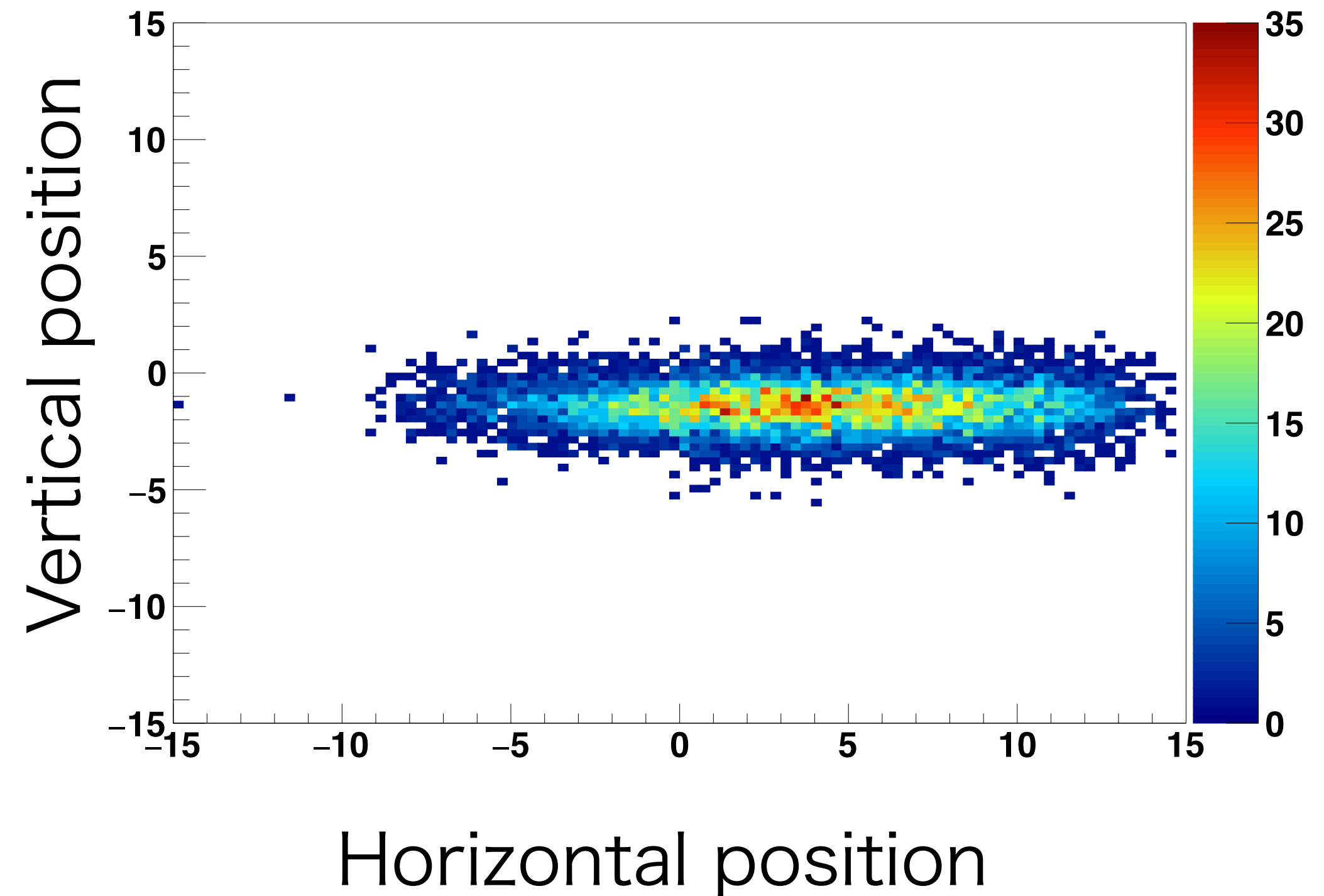
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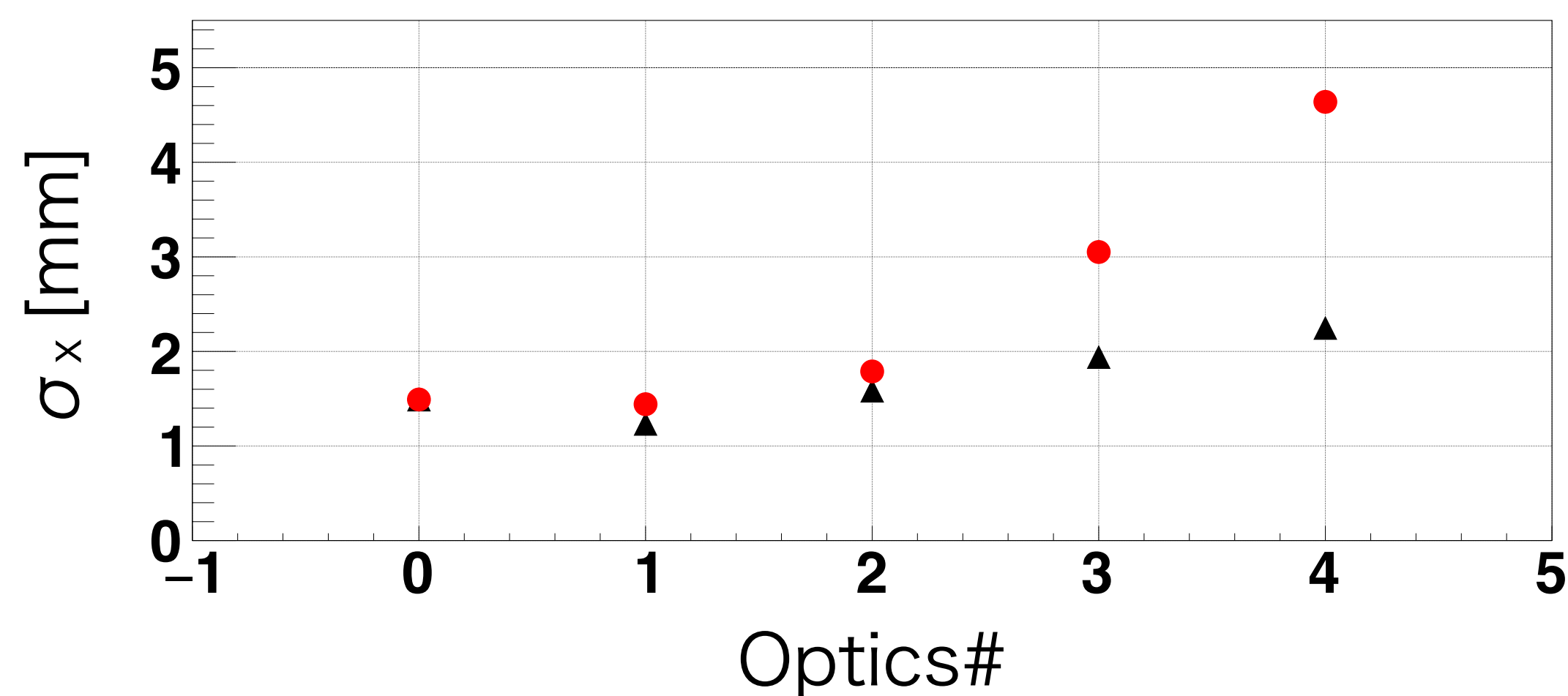


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Red : Viewer

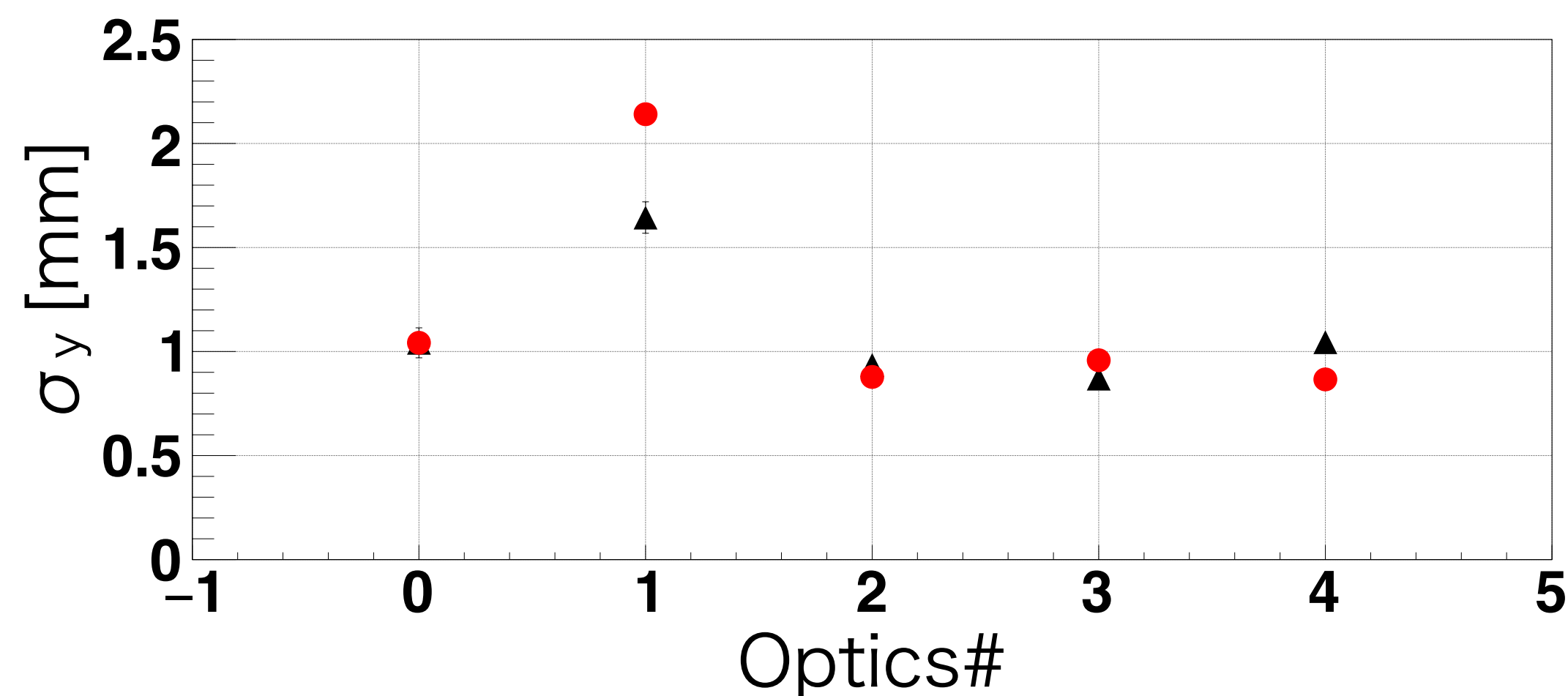
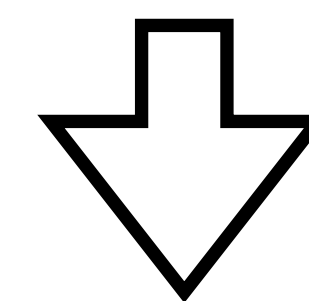
Black: Gas tracker

※ Viewer and gas tracker is calibrated by optics 0 data.

Data of viewer and tracker

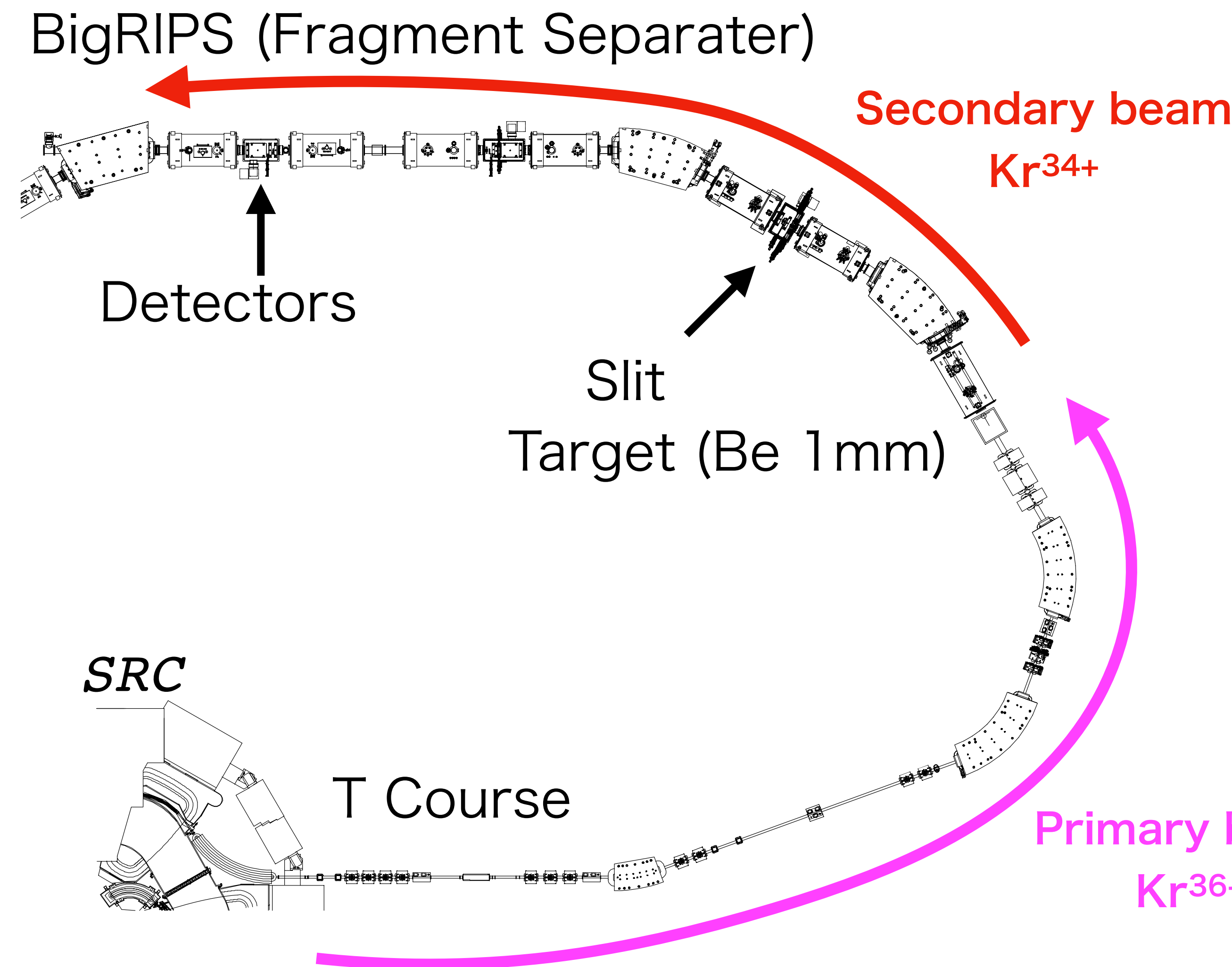
→ (qualitatively) consistent

※ When the spot become wide,  
non linearity may not be negligible



**Tracking distribution of secondary beam  
is good probe for the primary beam spot!!**

# B. Auto Tuning with “High Intensity” Primary Beam



Detector in downstream

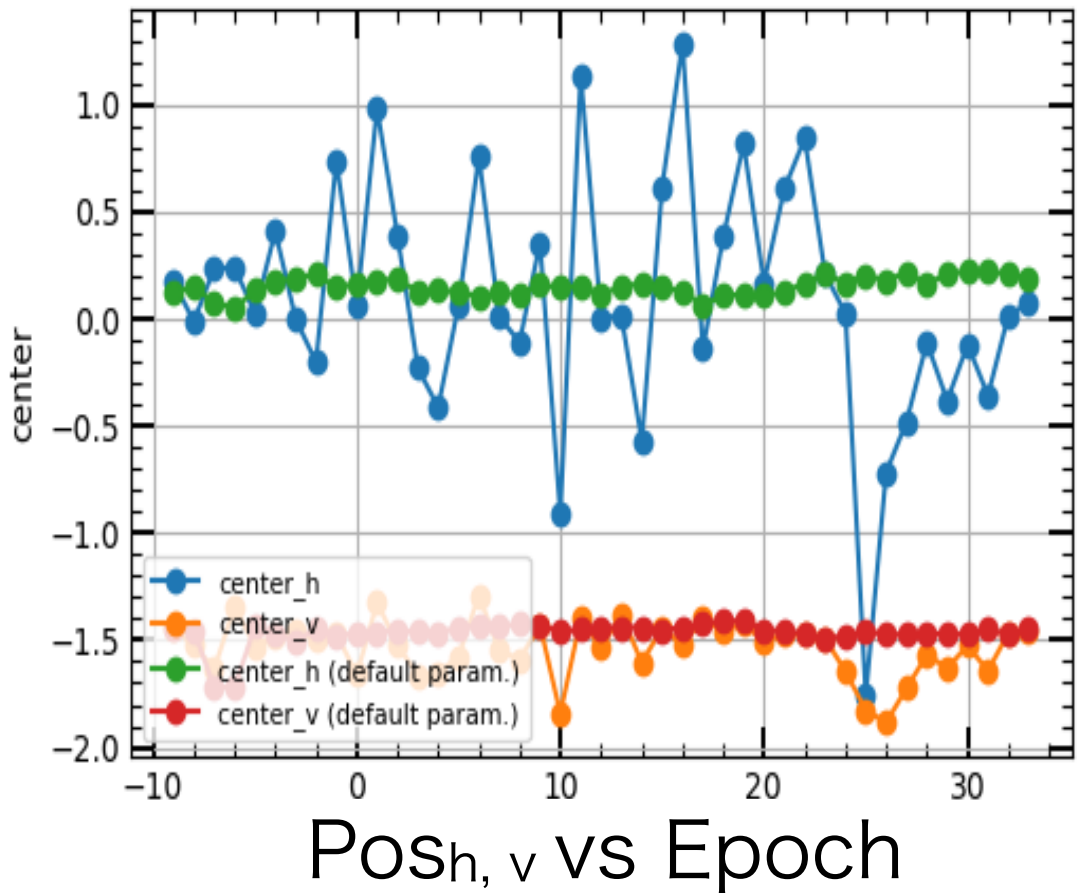
- Scintillator (for Transmission)
- Gas tracker (for spot)

measure  $Kr^{34+}$  **10 kcps** / 0.0001 enA  
 optimize **26 enA** primary beam  $Kr^{36+}$

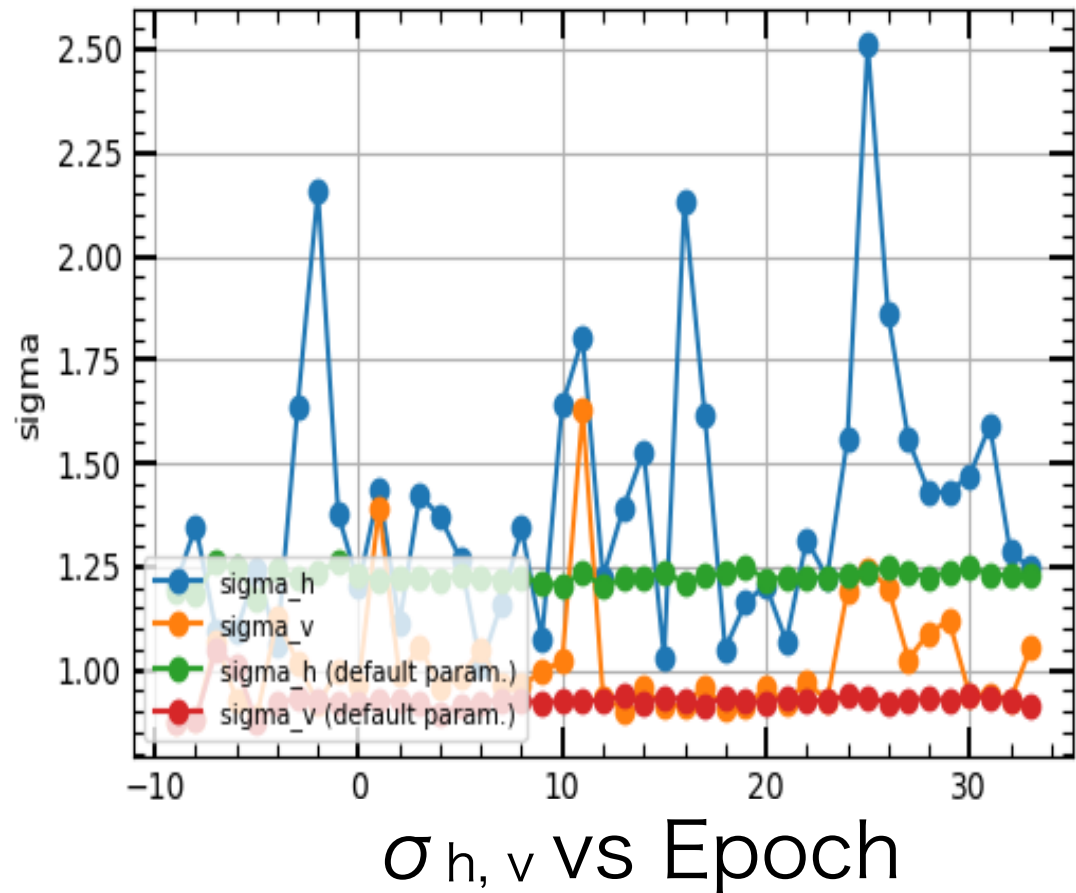
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- ~ 4 params. (Quadrupoles)
- 1 epoch ~ 25 s
- 1 try ~ 30 min
- ~ 26 enA

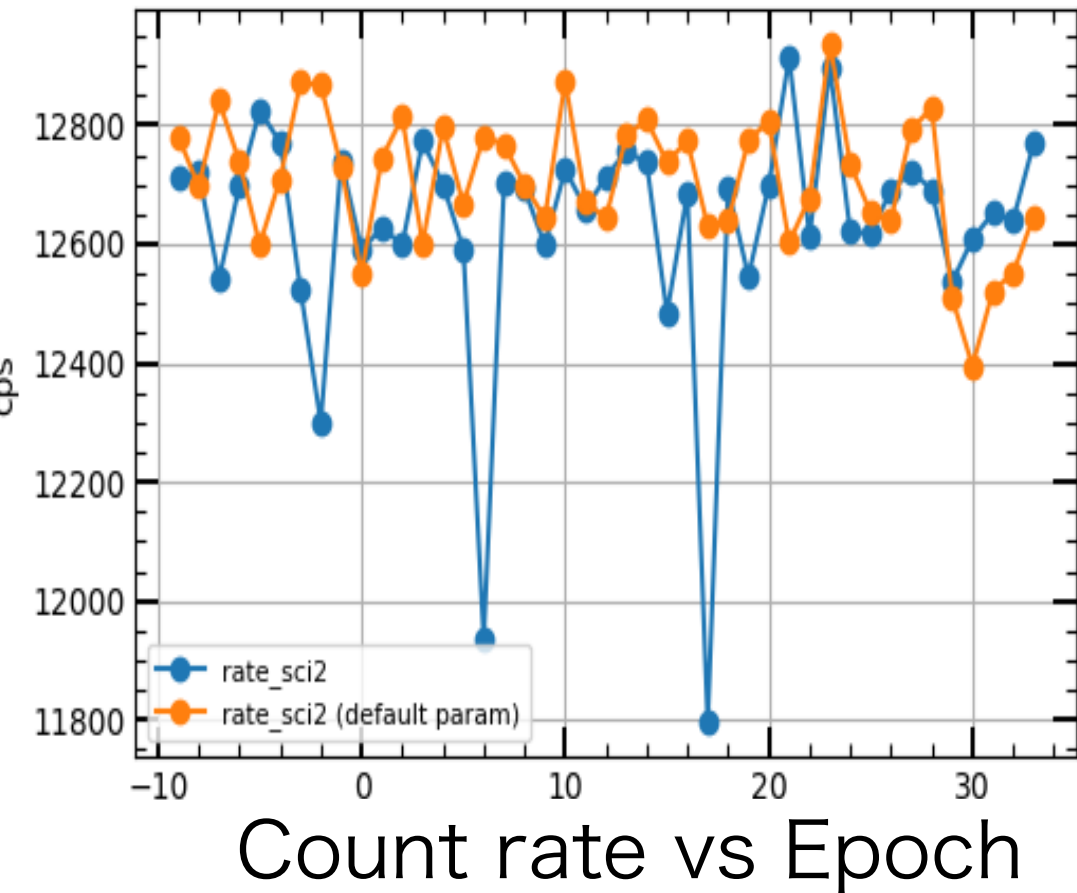
✂ time of one epoch is limited by measurements by detectors



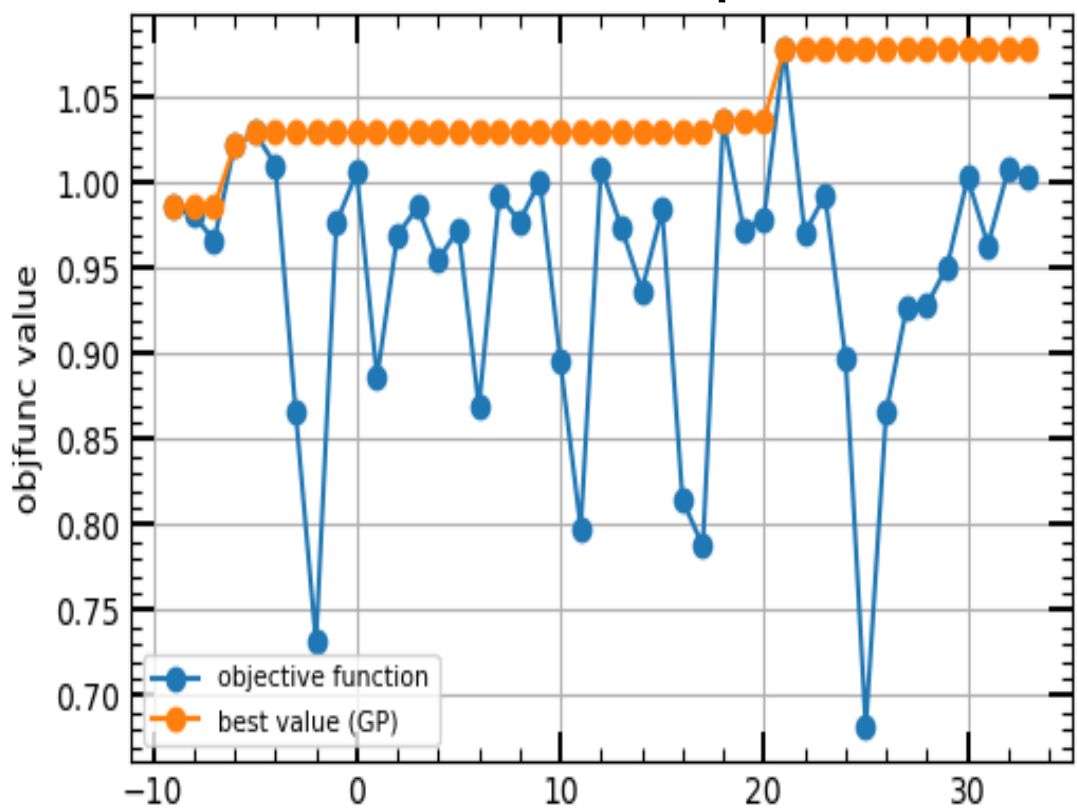
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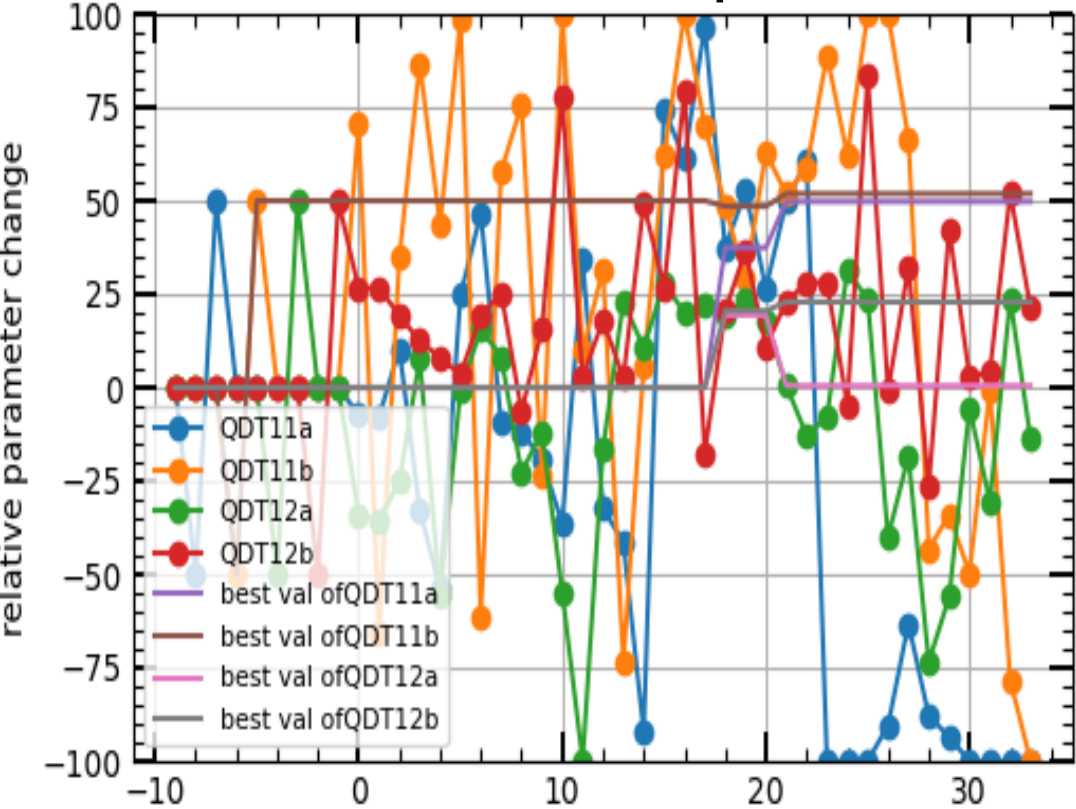
$\sigma_{h, v}$  vs Epoch



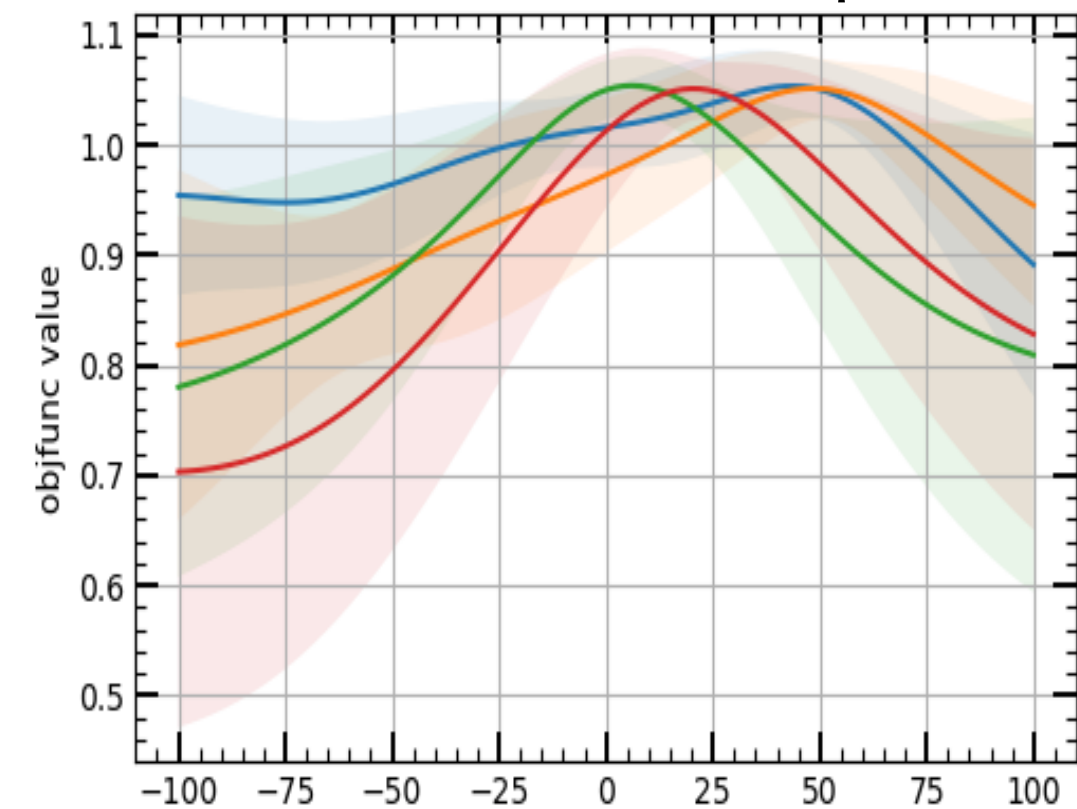
Count rate vs Epoch



Objective function vs Epoch



Current of Q vs Epoch

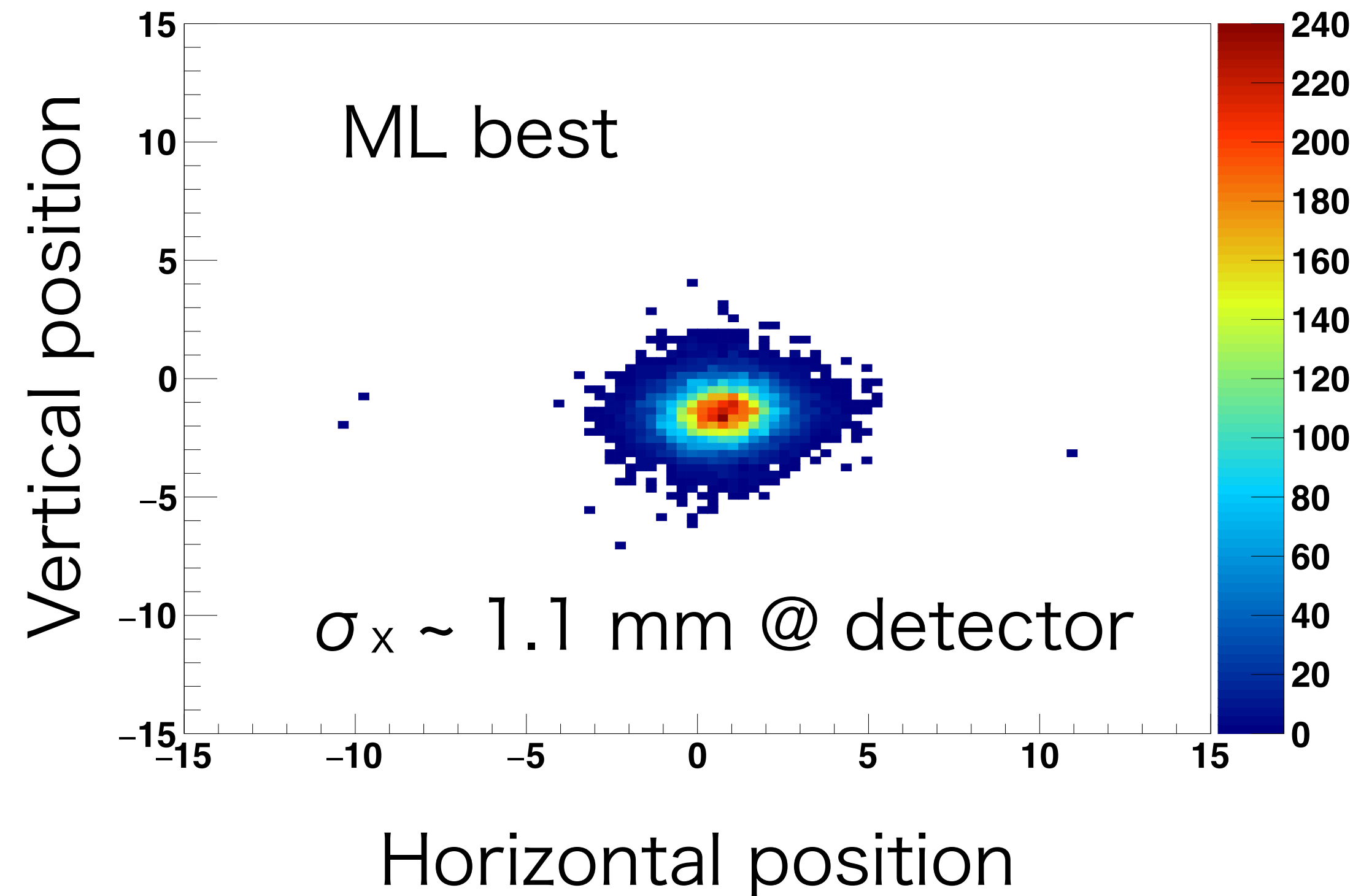
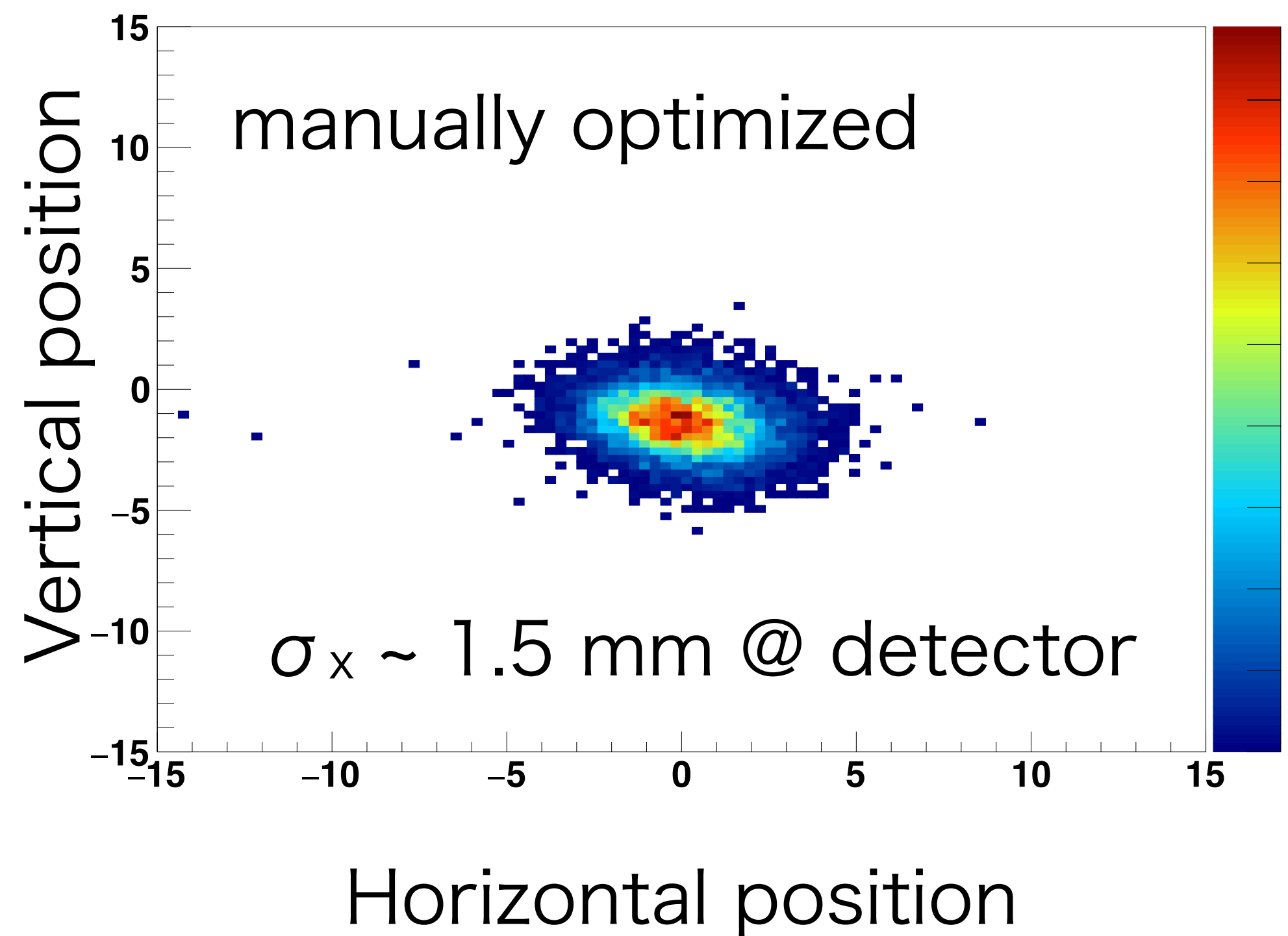


Objectives vs Current of Q

# 4th Exp. : Result of Auto Tuning with High Intensity Beam

Compare with manually optimized vs ML optimized optics

→ **Succeed to reduce spot size by 30%, keeping the transmission**



# Achievements so far and Next Challenges

## Achievements

- Framework with auto tuning based on ML algorithm
- Auto tuning of primary beam line optics using GPR
- Simultaneous indicator of beam spot and intensity for **high intensity** primary beam  
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## Next Challenges

- How to confirm the result is “best solution”, instead of the local minimum ?
- More efficient algorithm ( c.f. more than 30 min. for 4 param. now)
- New scheme to control parameter range in the safety region

# Algorithms to be tested

## A. Physics informed Gaussian Process

→ Learning from simulations in advance to perform optimize more efficiently even for multidimensional parameters.

## B. Safe optimization using LineBO

→ Prepare distinct GP models for both the objective and the constraints.

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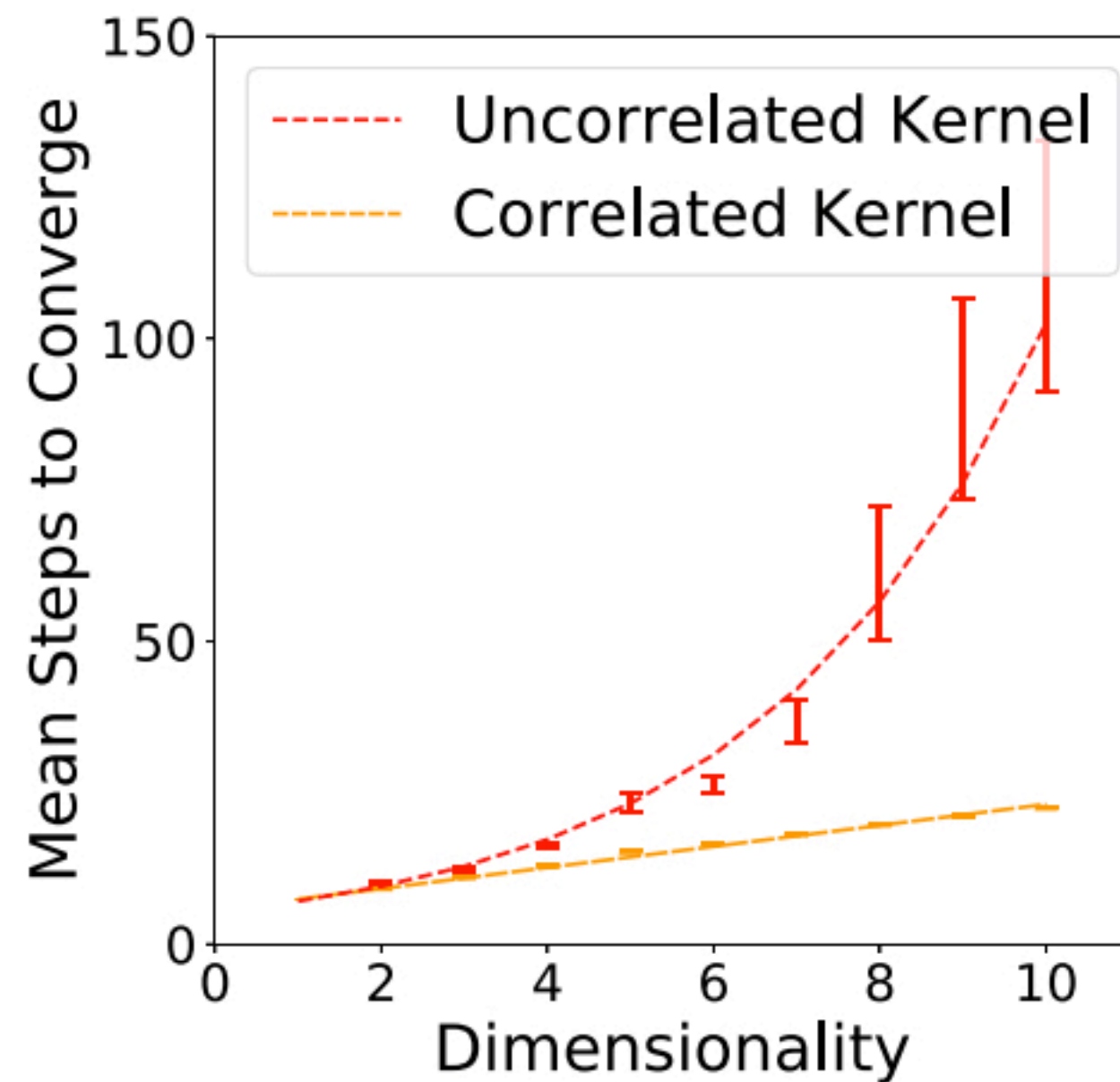
→ Continuously learning and optimizing parameters to keep up with (continuous) changes in the environment.

※ These ideas are based on a proposal by our member, Hiroki Fujii in RIKEN

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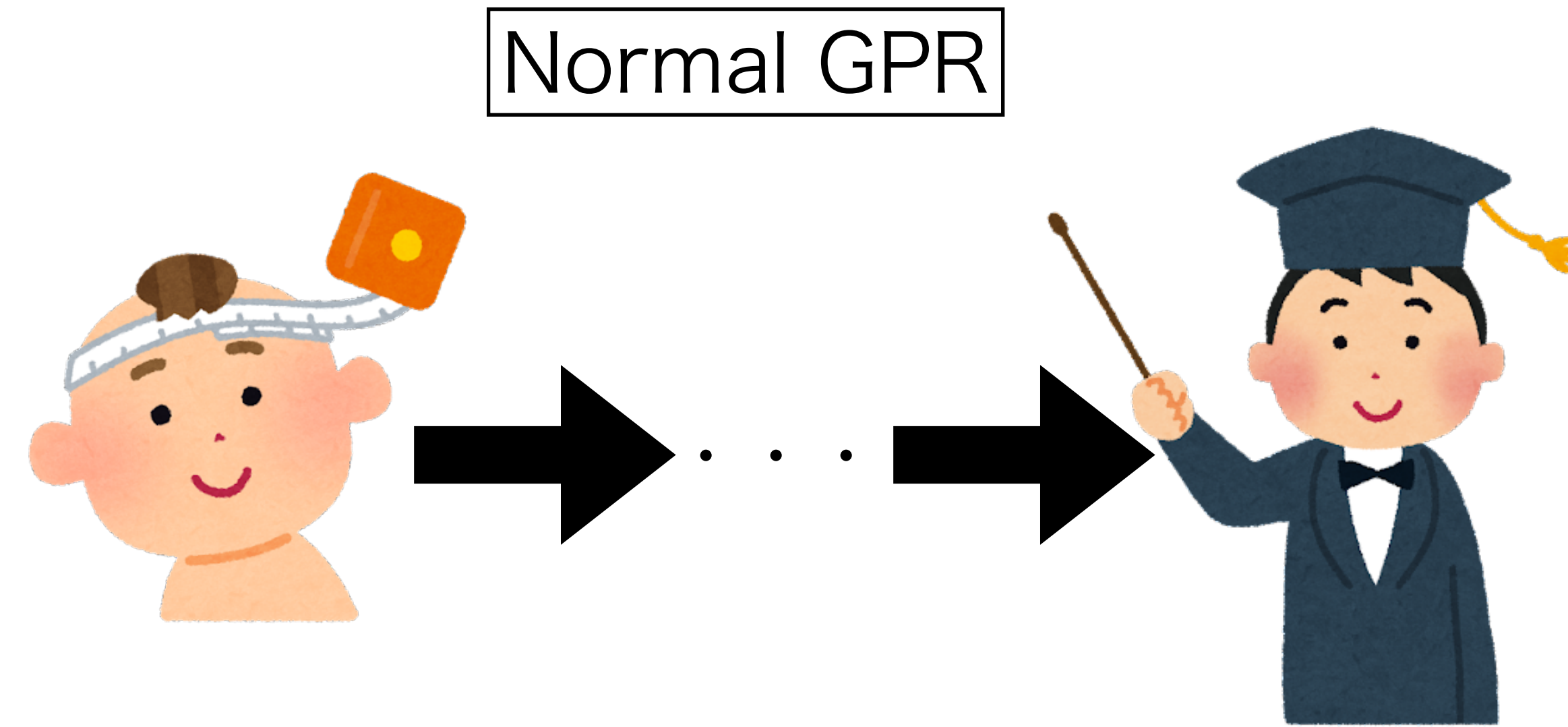
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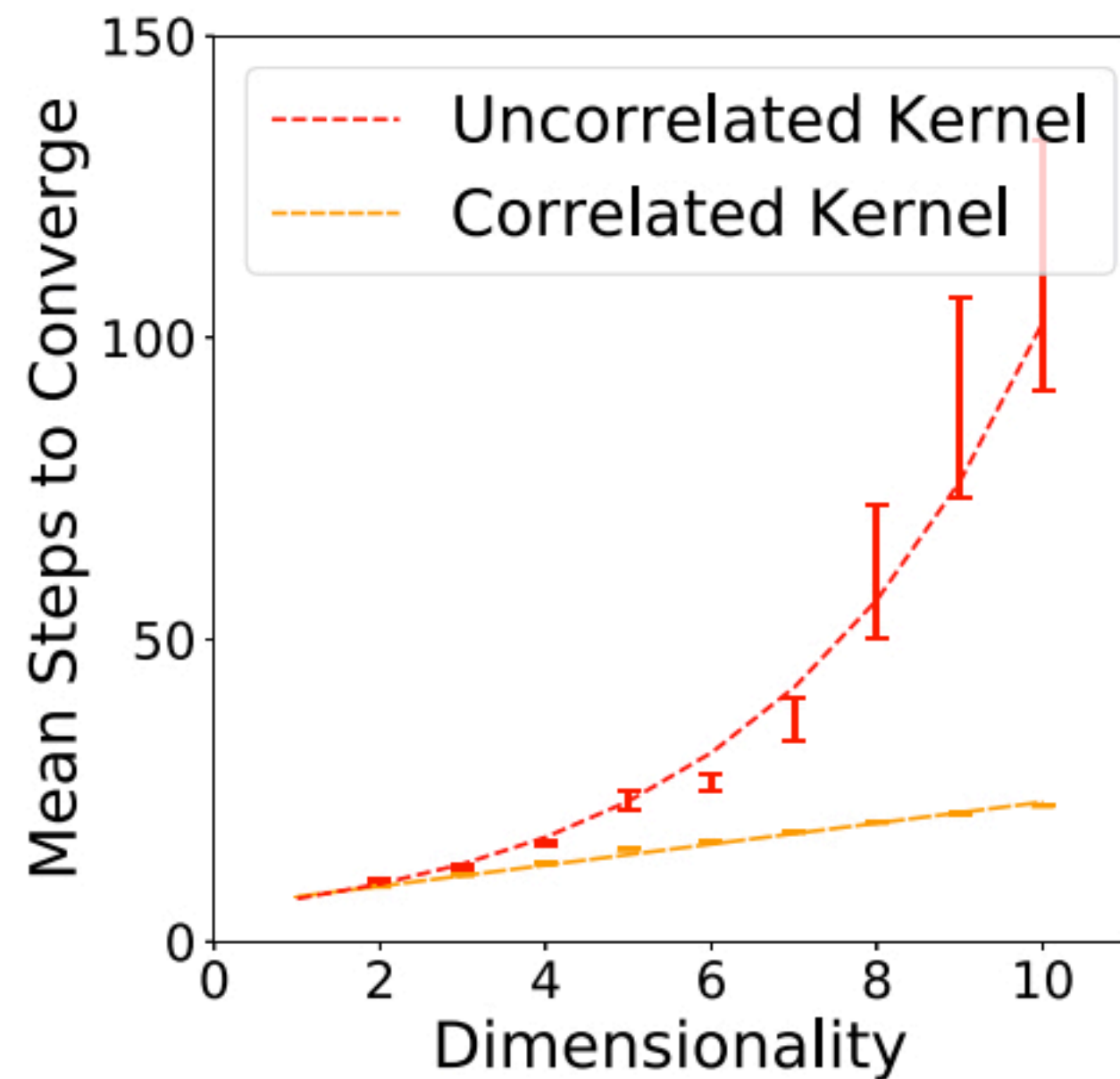




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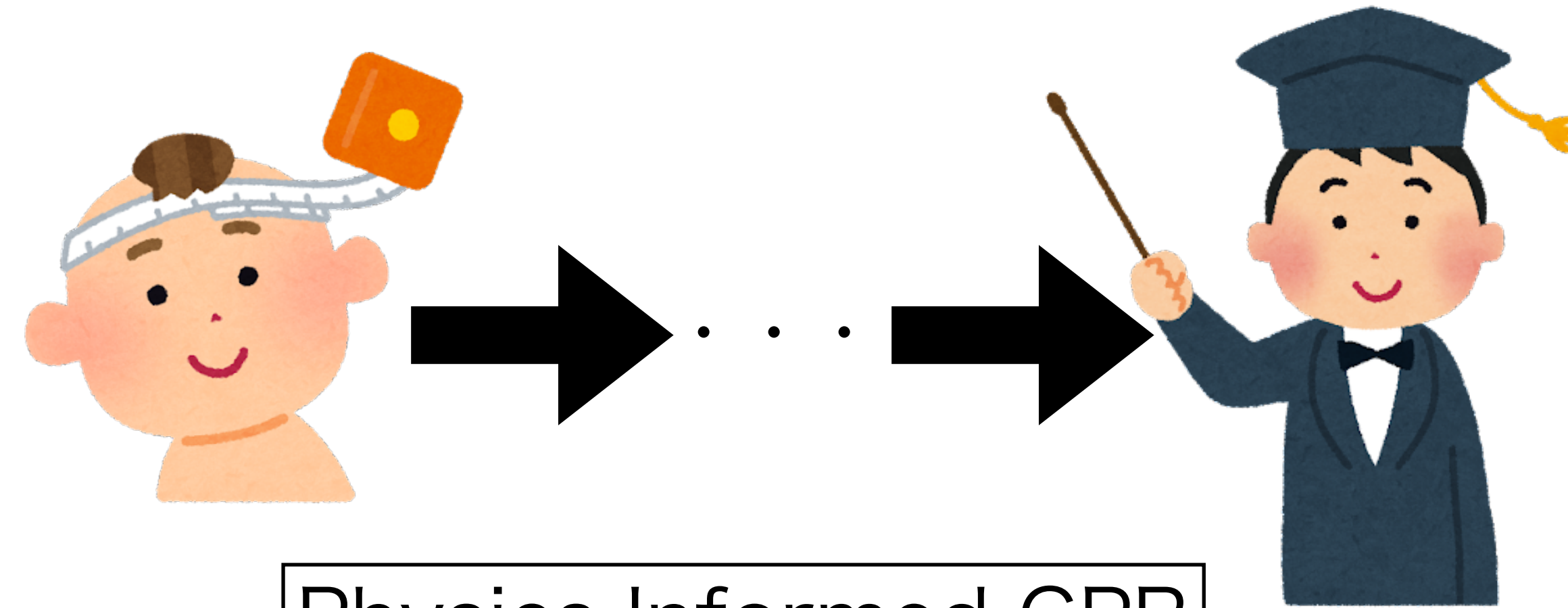
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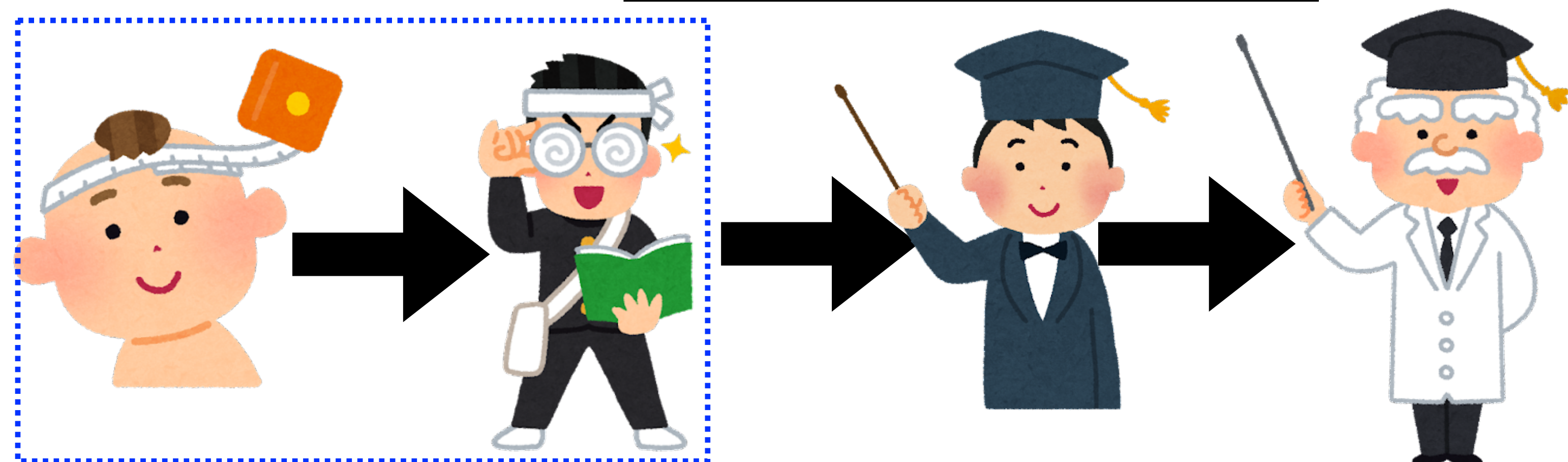
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Normal GPR



Physics Informed GPR



Simulation

# Algorithms to be tested

## B. Safe optimization using LineBO

### Objective

$$\max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f(x) \text{ (or } \min f(x)) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \begin{cases} g_1(x) \leq 0 \\ \vdots \\ g_l(x) \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

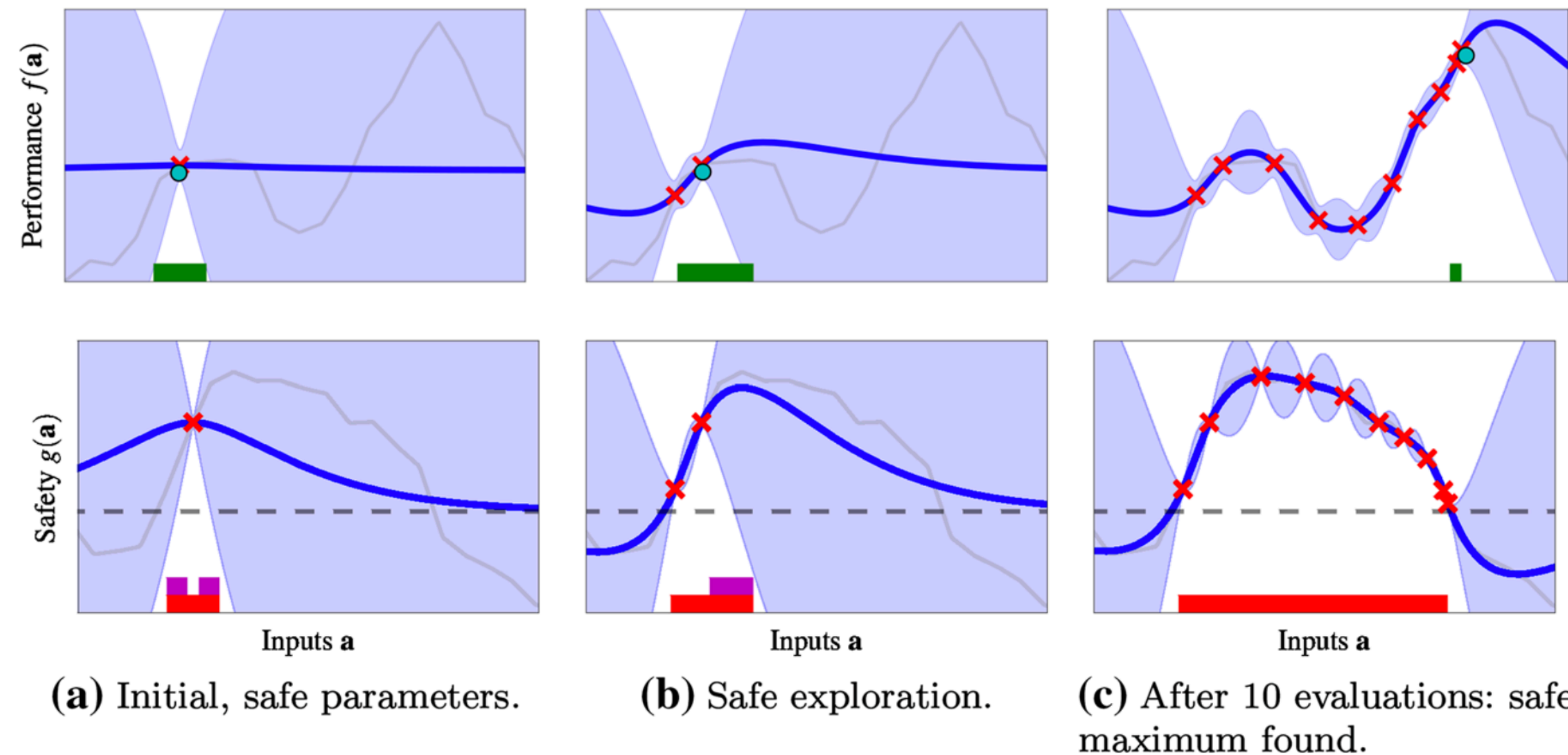
### Approaches in the safe optimization community

Prepare distinct GP models for both the objective and the constraints  
 Evaluate within the safe set only

$$x_t = \arg \max_{x \in S_t^\tau} \text{UCB}_f(\hat{m}_t, x, \delta)$$

$$\text{s.t. } S_t^\tau = \{x \in \mathcal{X} : \max_{i \in [l]} \text{UCB}_{g_i}(\hat{m}_t, x, \delta) \leq -\tau\}$$

Margin



# Algorithms to be tested

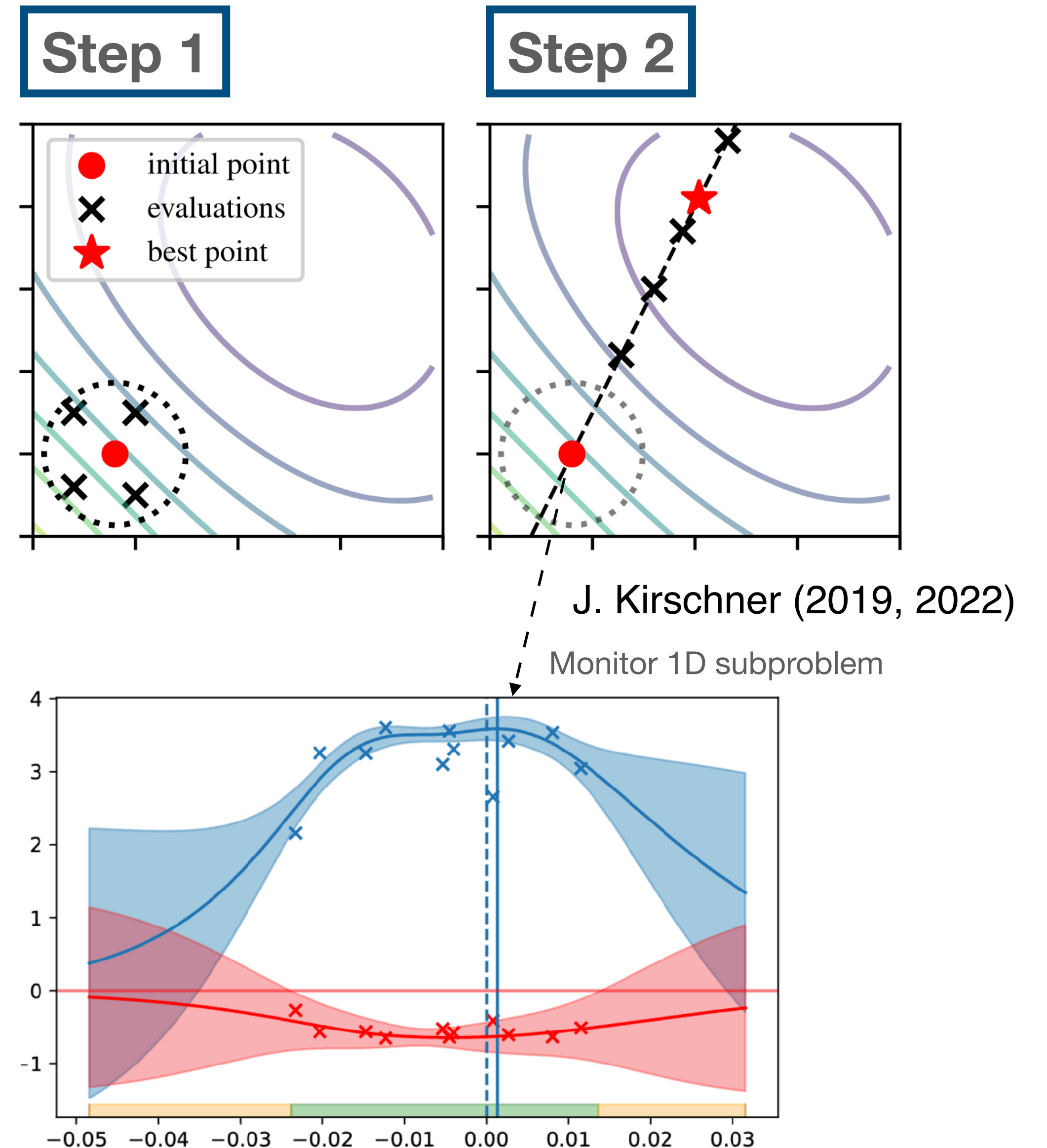
## B. Safe optimization using LineBO

Solve a sequence of one-dimensional Bayesian Optimization problems on one dimensional subspaces.

Can be easily applied to higher dimensional systems.

Each subproblem is efficient

Flexible choice of acquisition function (e.g., can use 1-dimensional SafeOPT for high-dimensional systems)



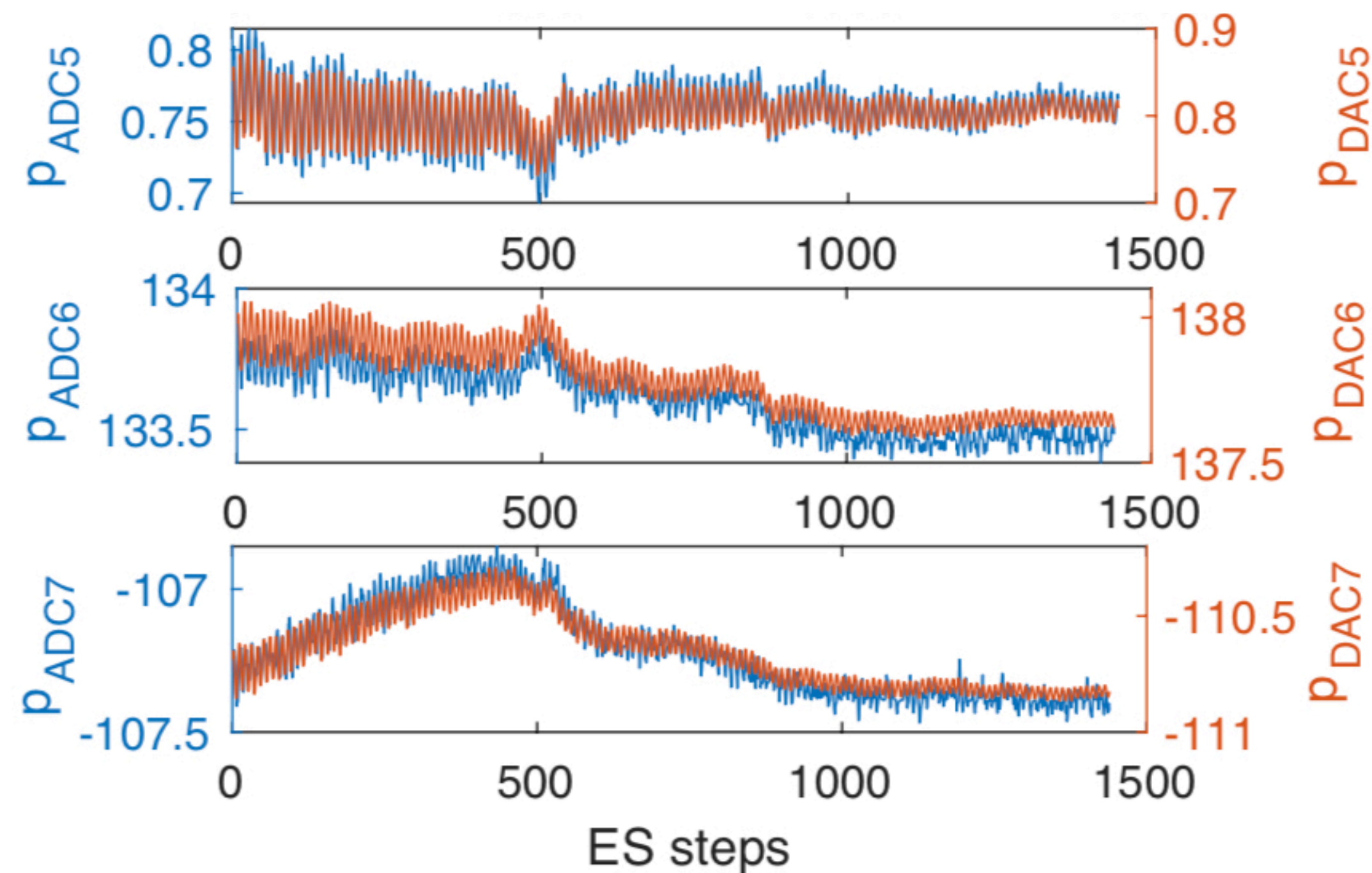
(c) User feedback

# Algorithms to be tested

## C. Adaptive control by Extremum Seeking Control

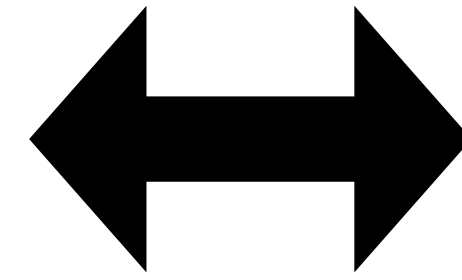
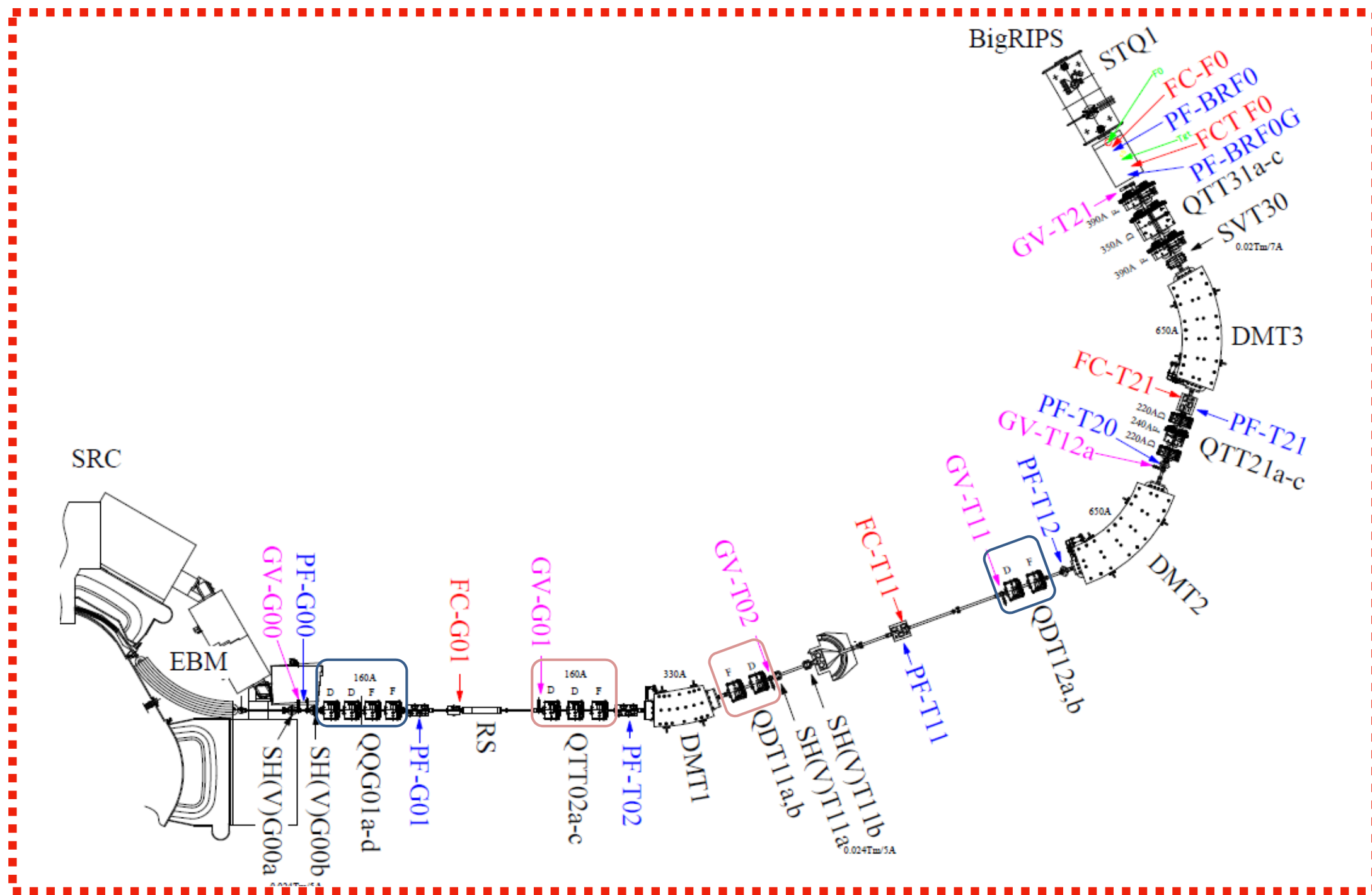
Extremum Seeking Control:

A method of continually optimizing from the response of the target function by constantly varying the parameters in minute increments. The response is separated by Fourier transform response can be separated from the noise, enabling optimization with high accuracy.

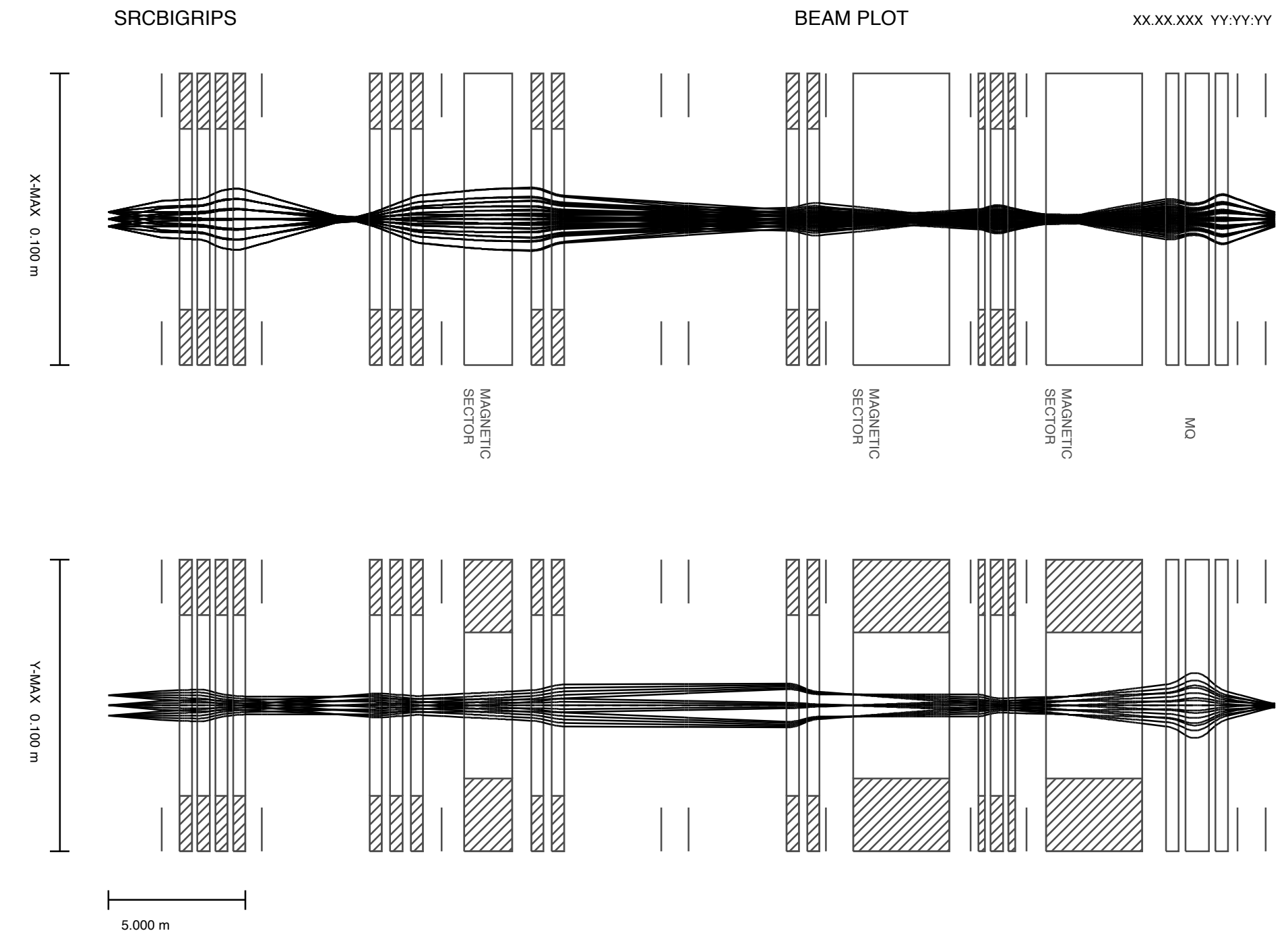


Data at a beamline in RIBF  
 Parameters: Quadrupoles / Steerers  
 Indicator : beam loss at slit / baffle

# Recent activities...: Development with Simulations



Simulation by  
gicosy (transfer matrix) + MOCADI (Monte Carlo simulation)



Simulation

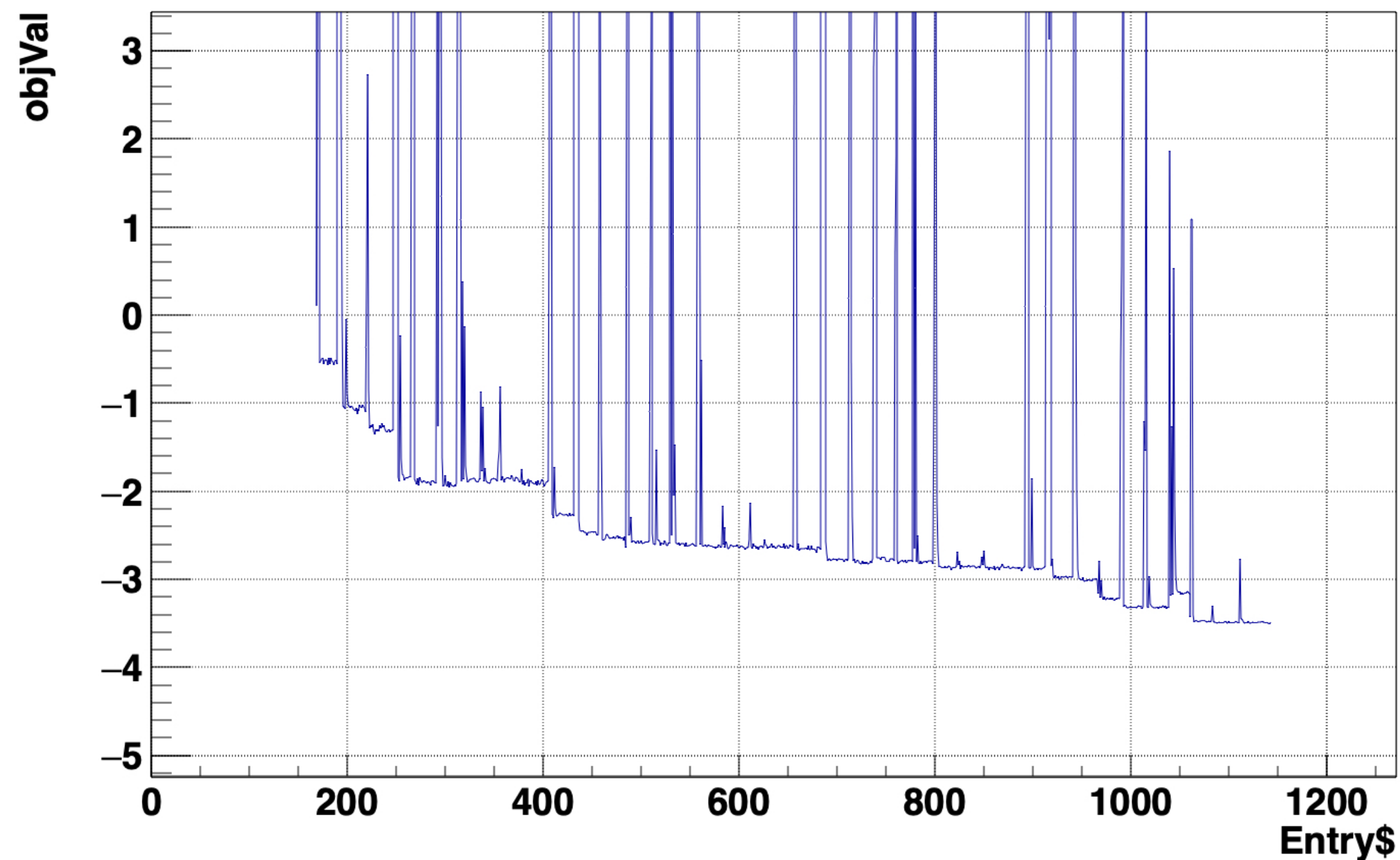
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not includes: space charge effect / distribution beyond Gaussian

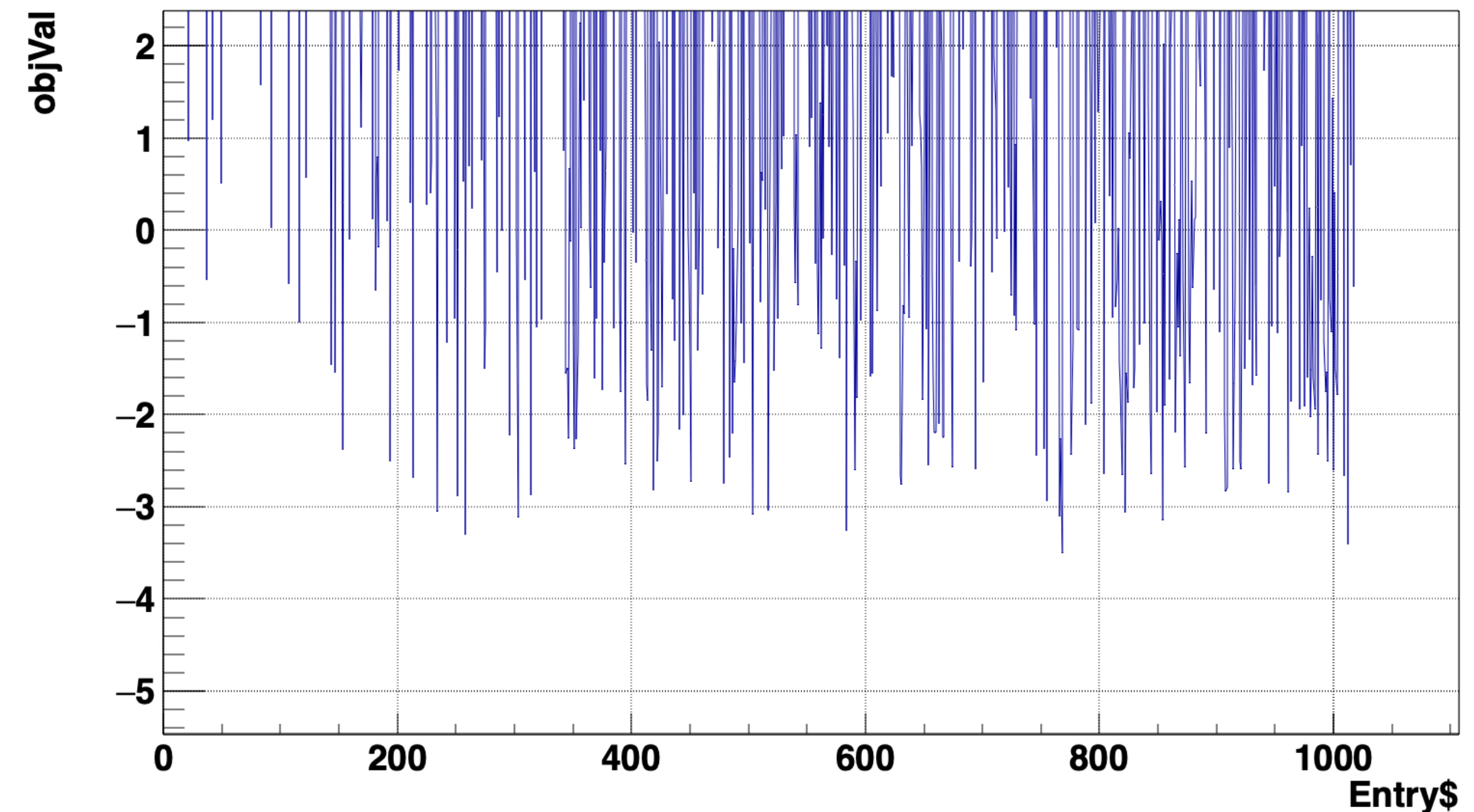
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**objVal:Entry\$** Normal optimization (Powell)



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# Recent activities...: non-destructive monitor

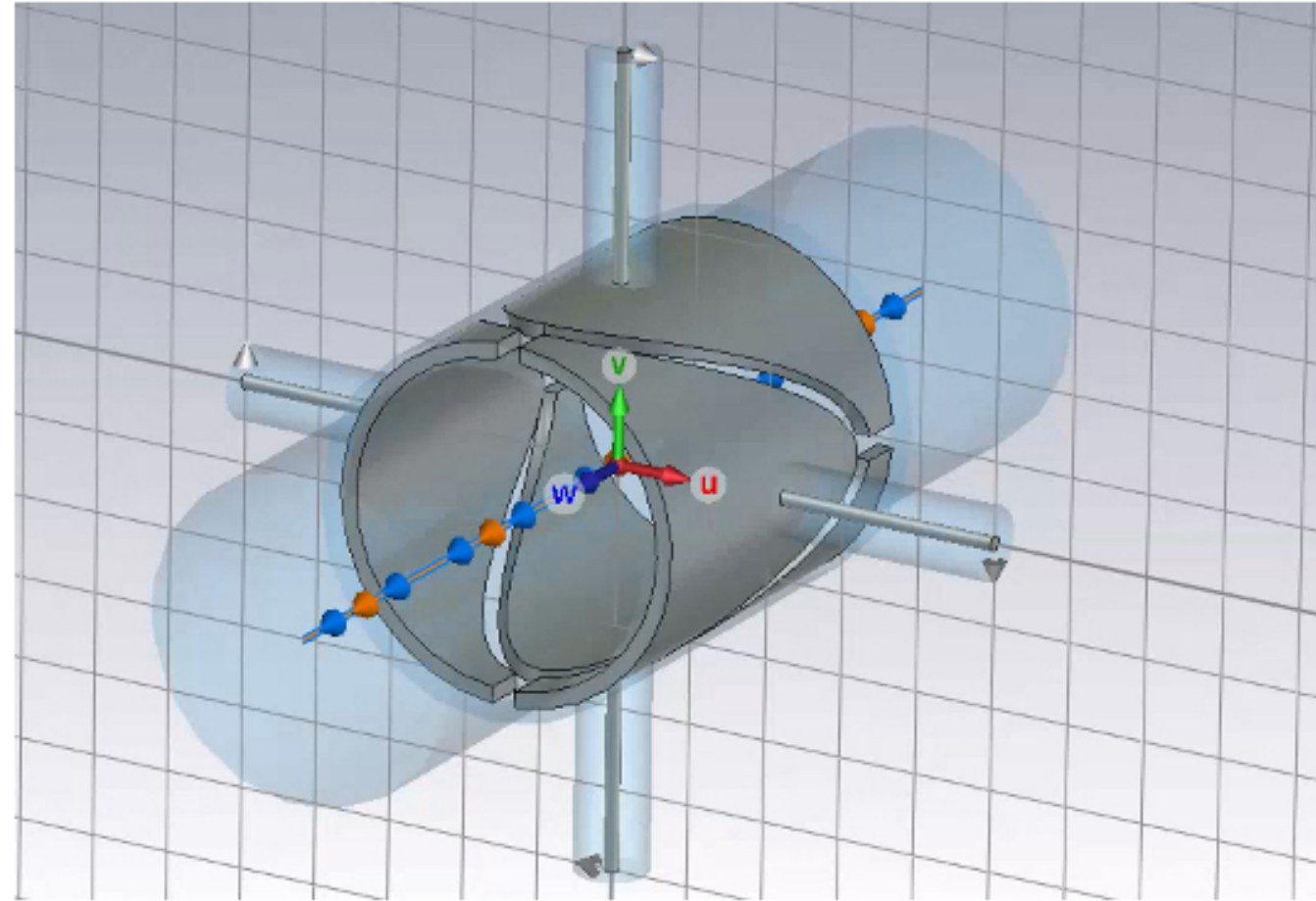


Figure 2: CAD model of type-A BEPM. The beam comes from the upper right corner towards the foreground. Up and down (right and left) electrodes are represented as upstream (downstream).

$$Q \equiv \sigma_x^2 - \sigma_y^2 = k_q \frac{V_L + V_R - V_U - V_D}{V_L + V_R + V_U + V_D} - \langle x \rangle^2 + \langle y \rangle^2, \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ \vdots \\ Q_8 \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{V}) \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}(0) \\ \sigma_{xx'}(0) \\ \sigma_{x'x'}(0) \\ \sigma_{yy}(0) \\ \sigma_{yy'}(0) \\ \sigma_{y'y'}(0) \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

where

$$\mathbf{H} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} (M_{11}^{01})^2, 2M_{11}^{01}M_{12}^{01}, (M_{12}^{01})^2 \\ \vdots \\ (M_{11}^{08})^2, 2M_{11}^{08}M_{12}^{08}, (M_{12}^{08})^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{V} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} -(M_{33}^{01})^2, -2M_{33}^{01}M_{34}^{01}, -(M_{34}^{01})^2 \\ \vdots \\ -(M_{33}^{08})^2, -2M_{33}^{08}M_{34}^{08}, -(M_{34}^{08})^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

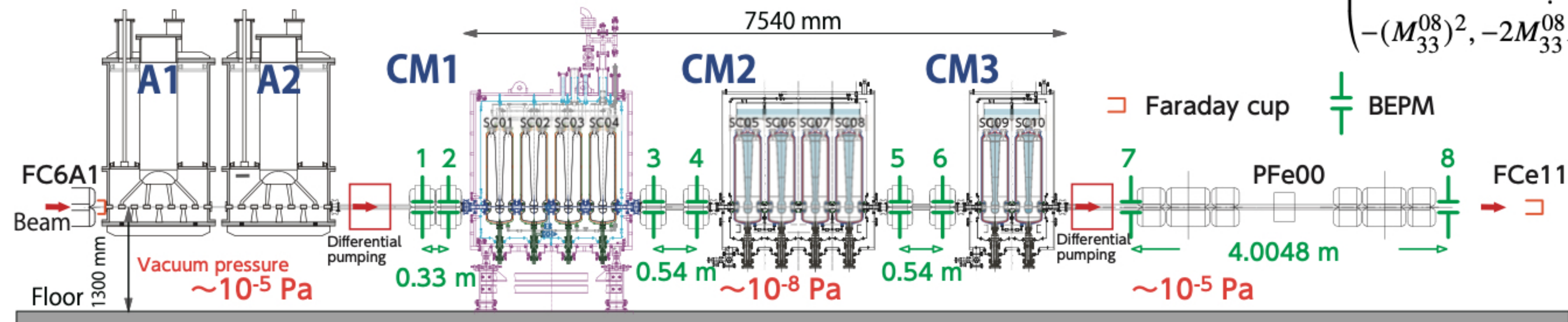


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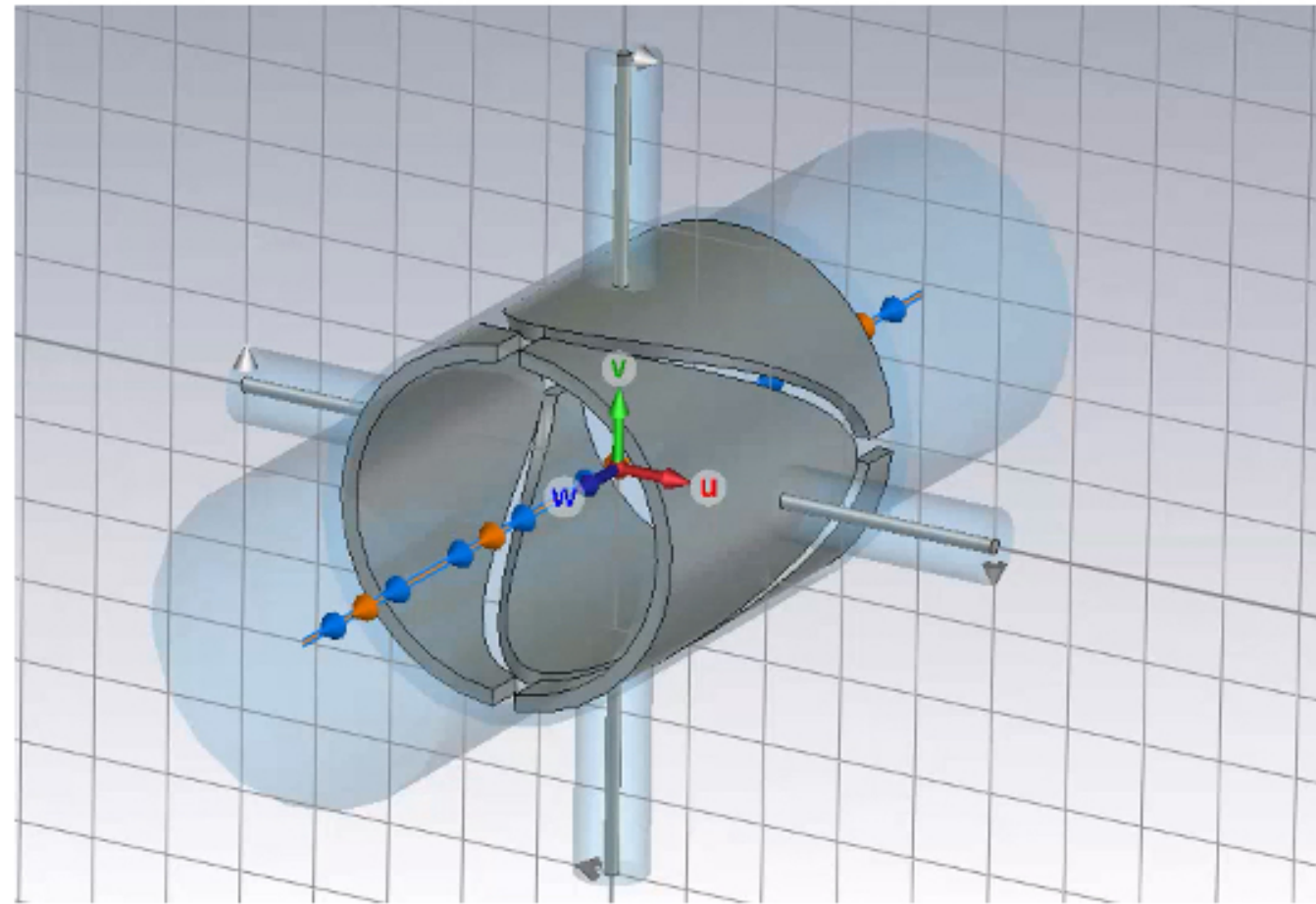


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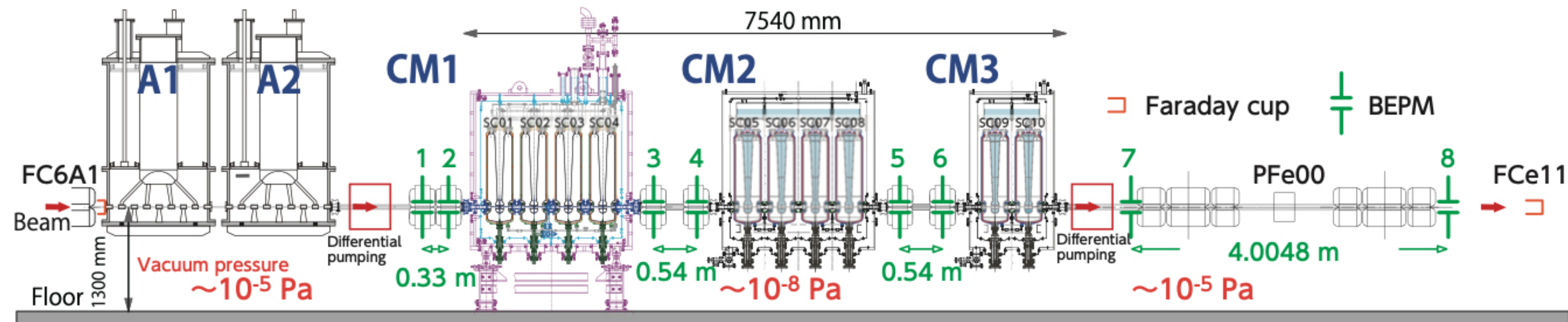
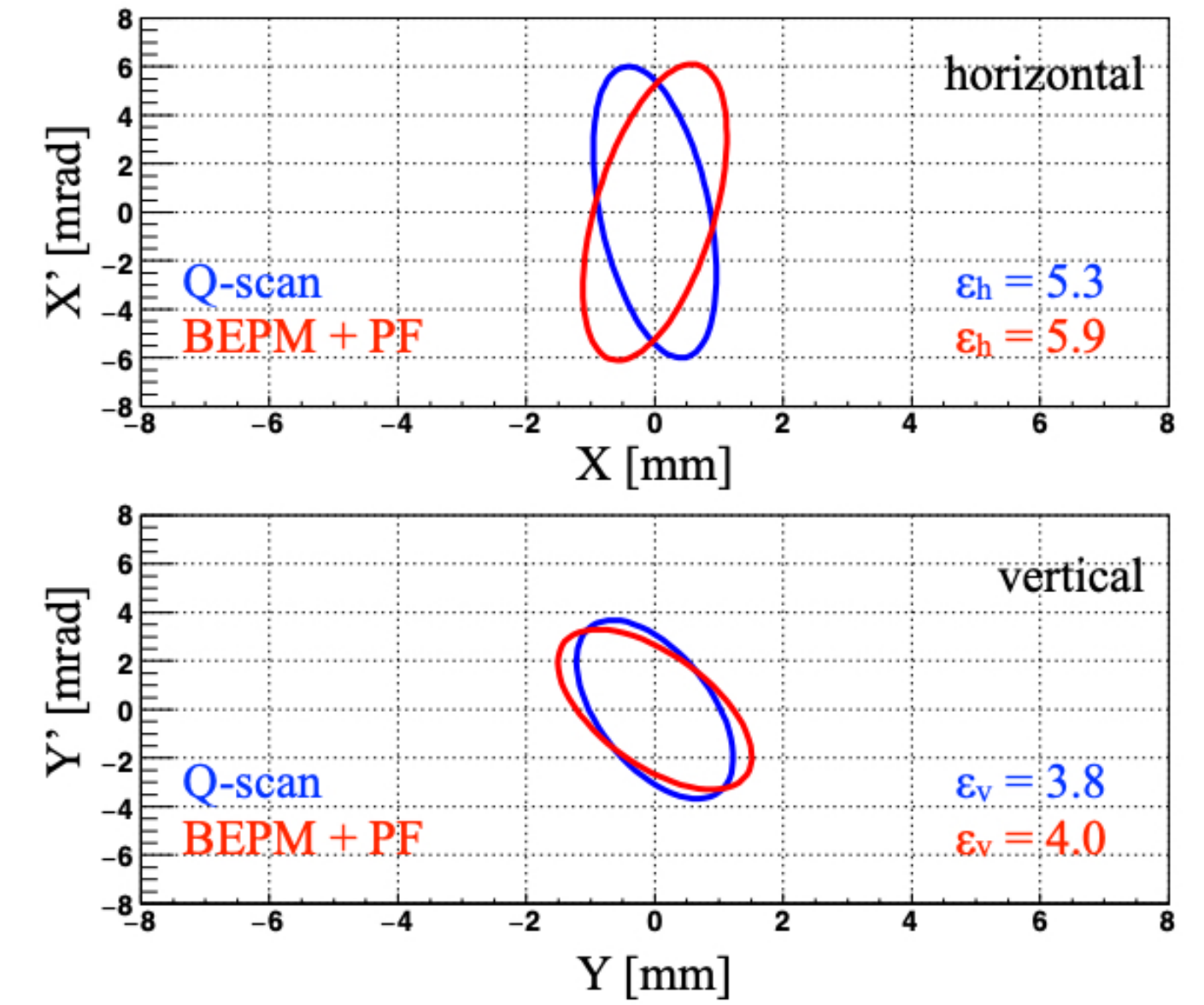
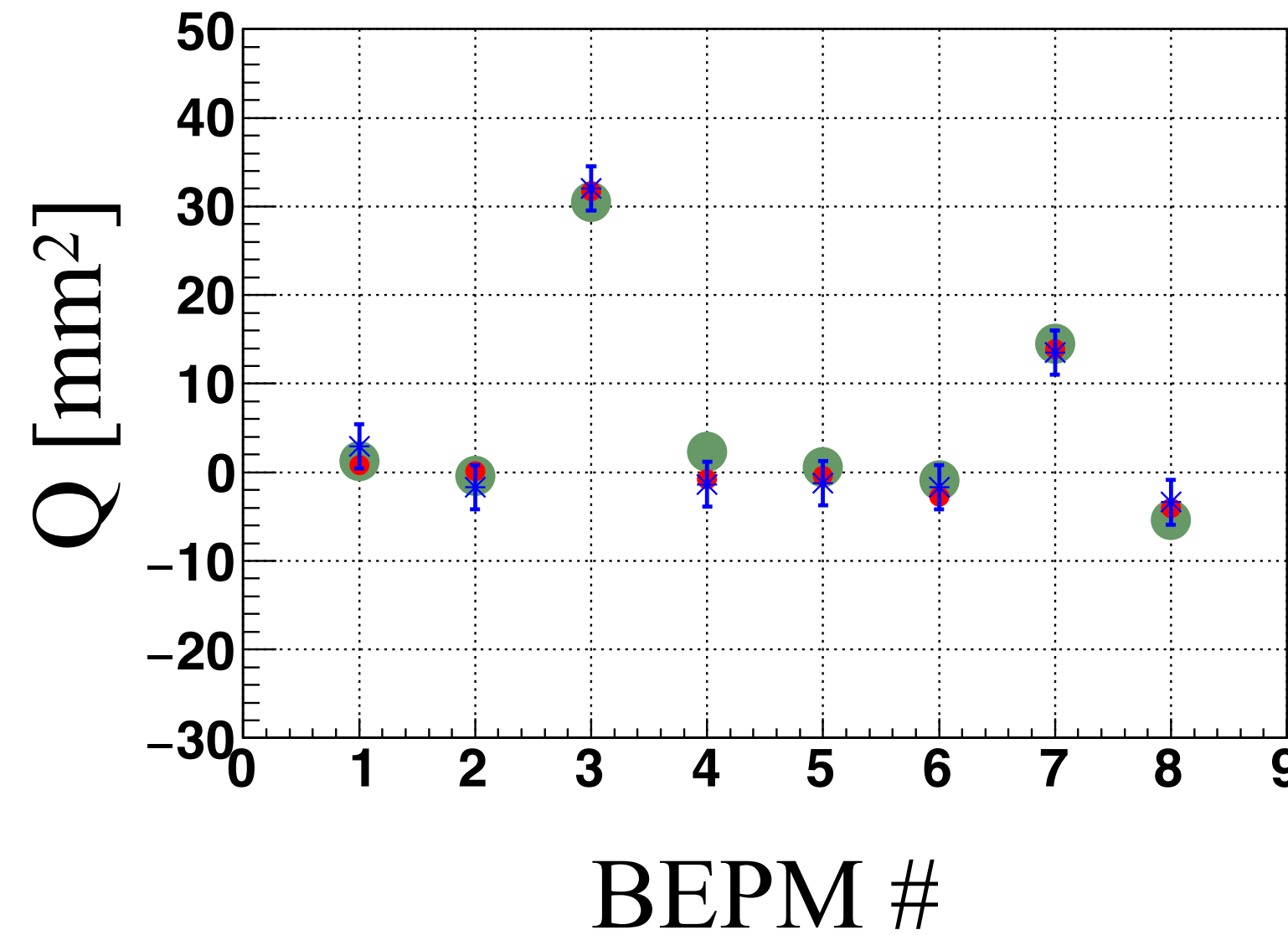


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# Recent activities...: new method to reduce parameters

How to tune large number of parameters

Use AE and BO together.

The AE reduces dimensionality and BO optimizes efficiently.

