



# 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

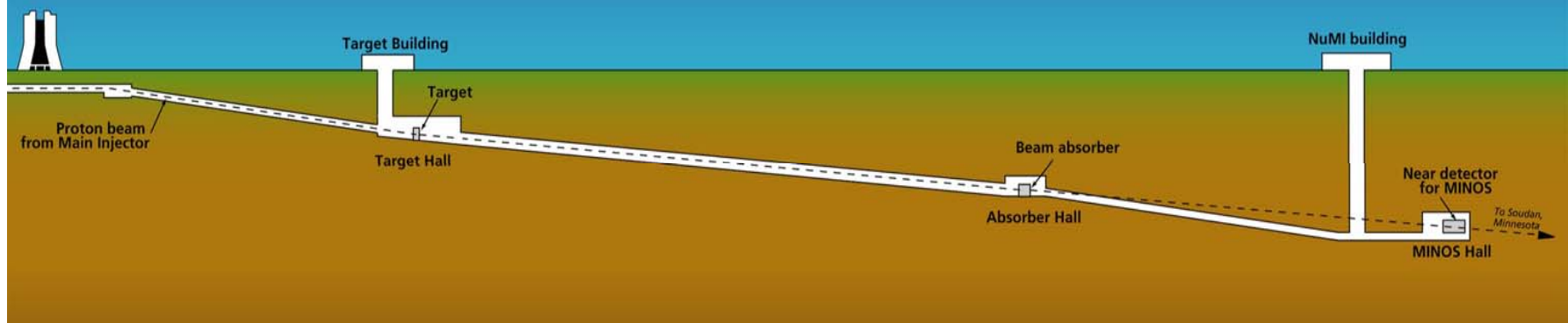


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# NuMI Tunnels and Halls

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## NuMI Tunnel Project

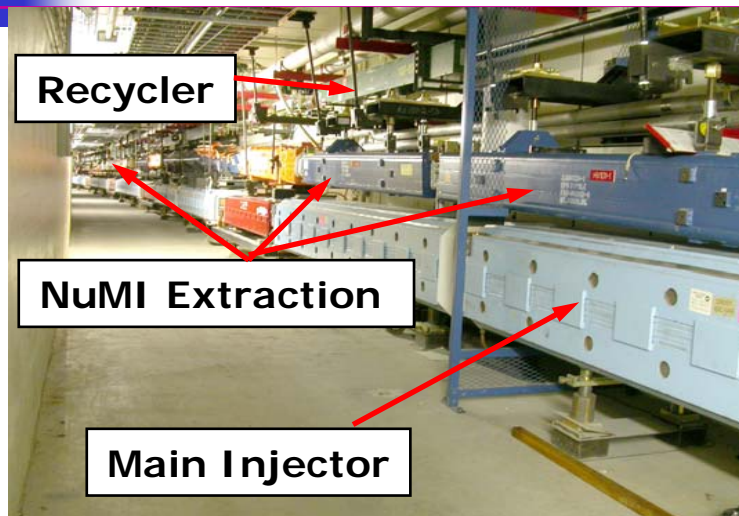




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# NuMI beamline

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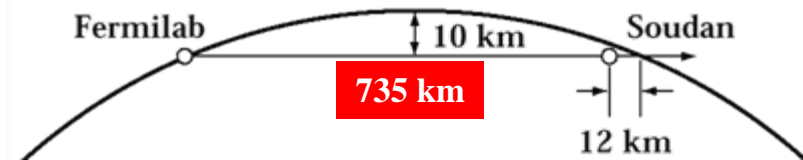




# NuMI Beamline

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# Alignment Tolerances

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

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

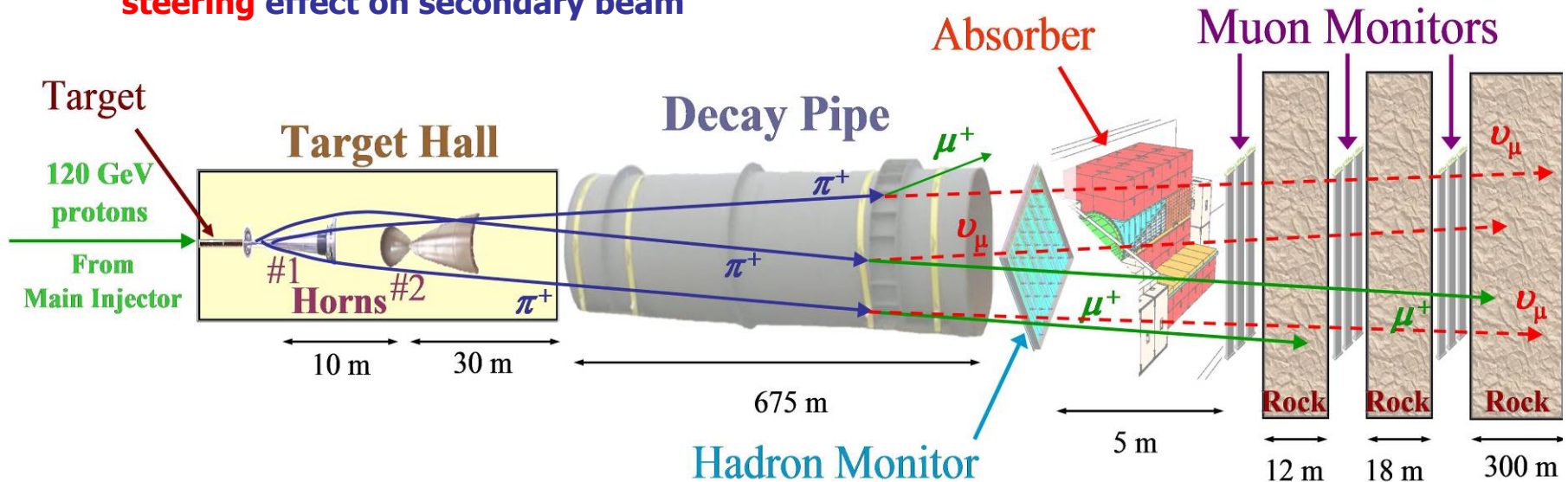
- NuMI is mainly sensitive to final primary beam trajectory
- beamline components, target, and horn alignment =>  
relative positions to  $\pm 0.35$  mm ( $1\sigma$ )

# NuMI: Neutrino Beam

## From Protons to Muon Neutrinos ( $\nu_\mu$ )

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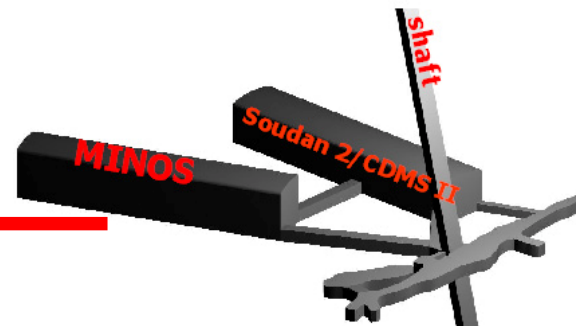
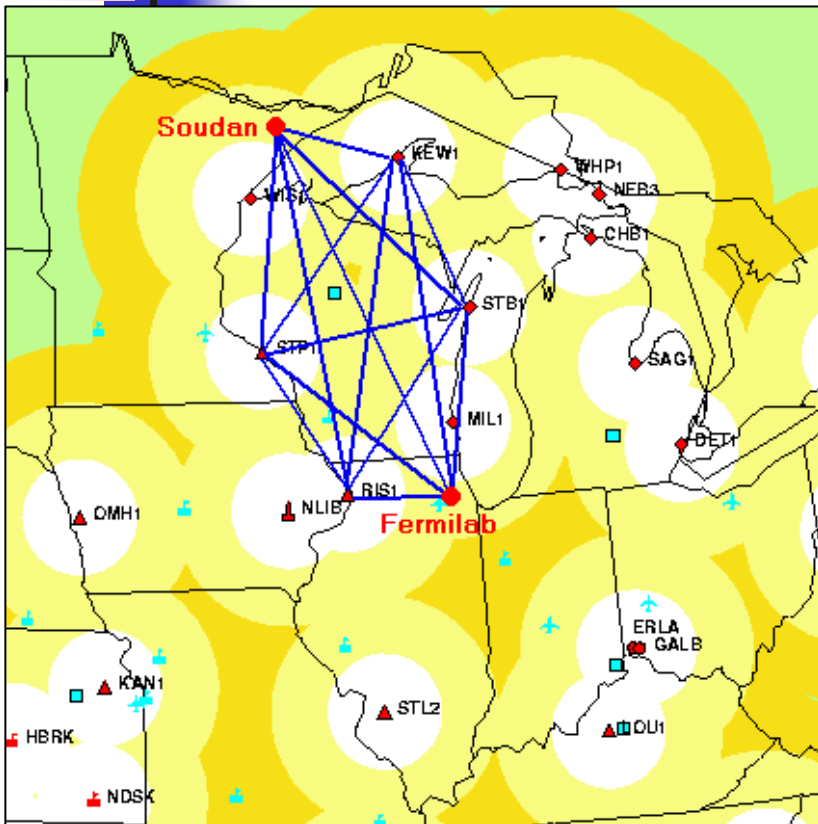
Focusing Horns misalignments have  
**steering** effect on secondary beam



# Determination of the Global Positions

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- **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 27<sup>th</sup> level of the mine to surface geodetic control





# GEOID CONSIDERATION

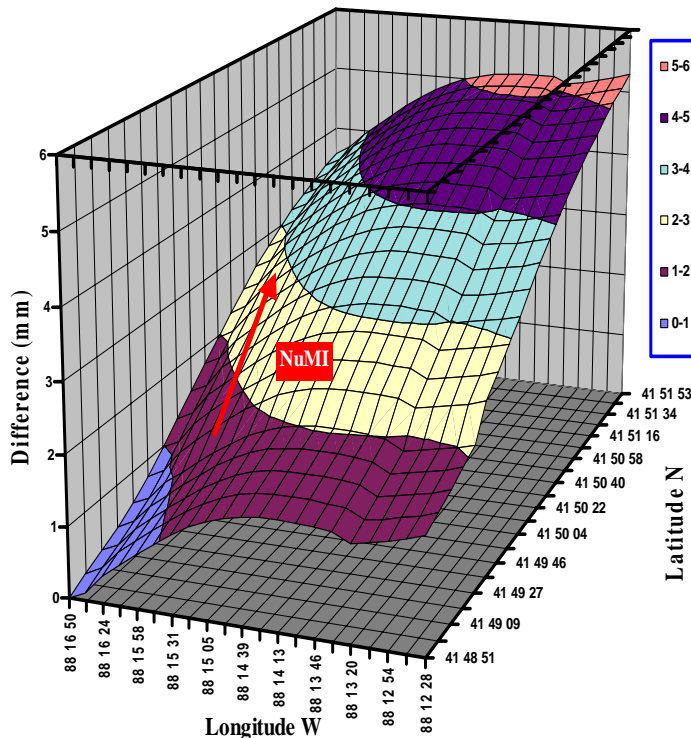
## Models Comparison

### (Local Geoid Model and NGS Geoid93)

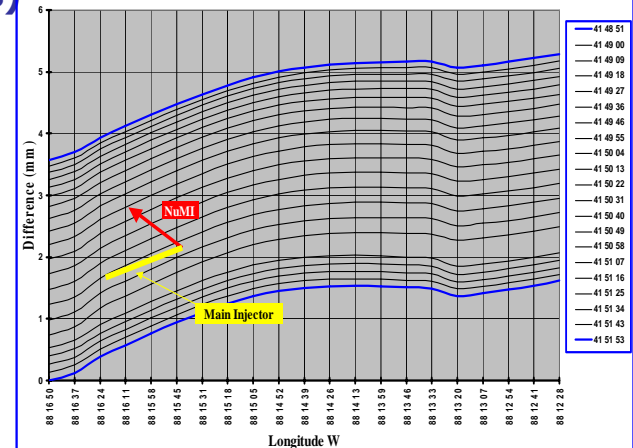
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- differences up to **5 mm** (consistent with expected values)
- NuMI beamline in **1.5 mm** range of differences
- Geoid93 - sufficient to cover tolerance requirements**

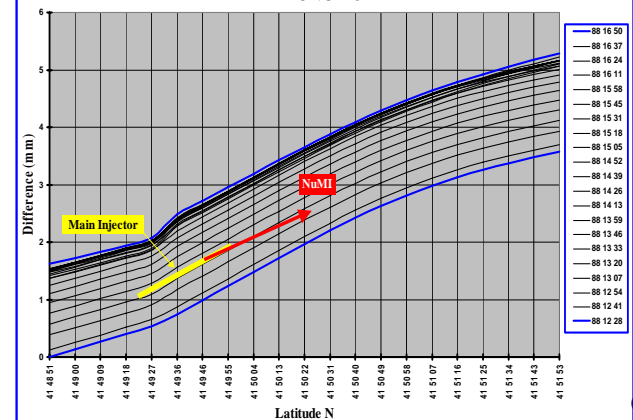
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Difference Local geoid model - Geoid93  
in LATITUDE

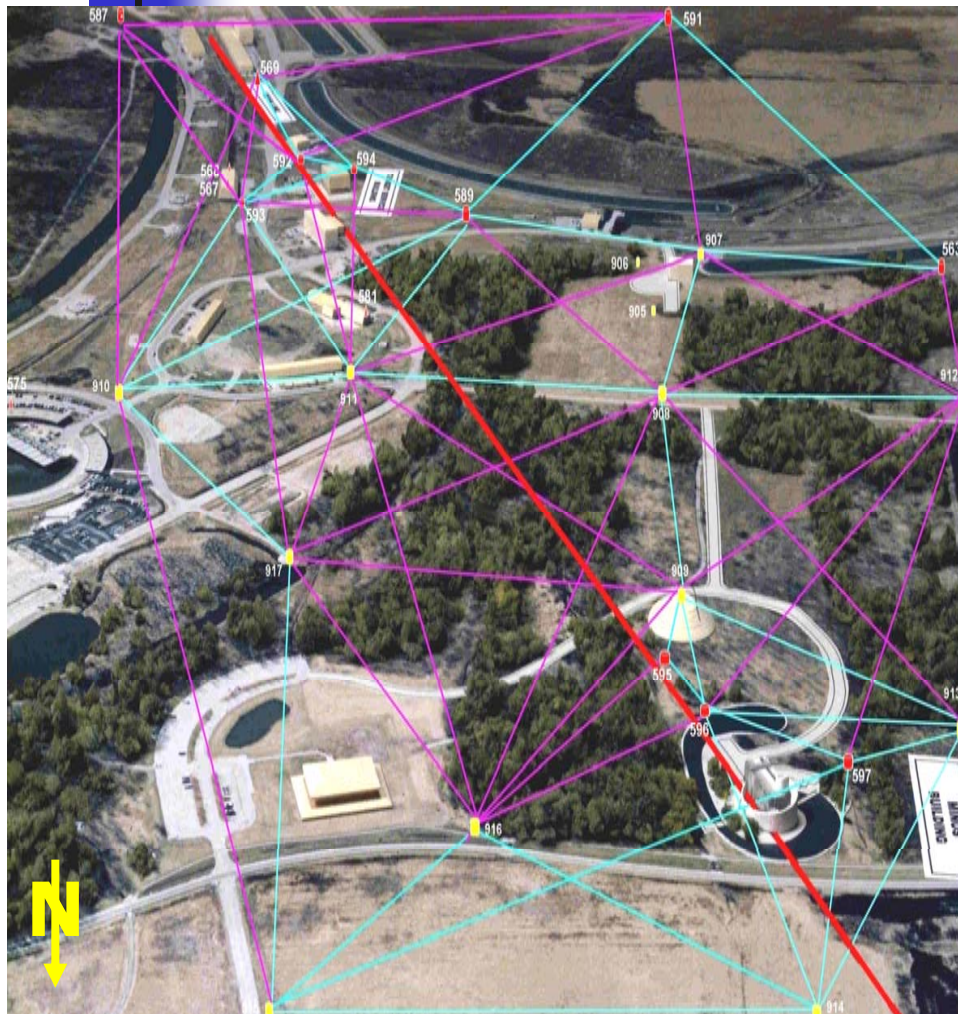


Difference Local geoid model - Geoid93  
in LONGITUDE



# Primary Geodetic Network at Fermilab

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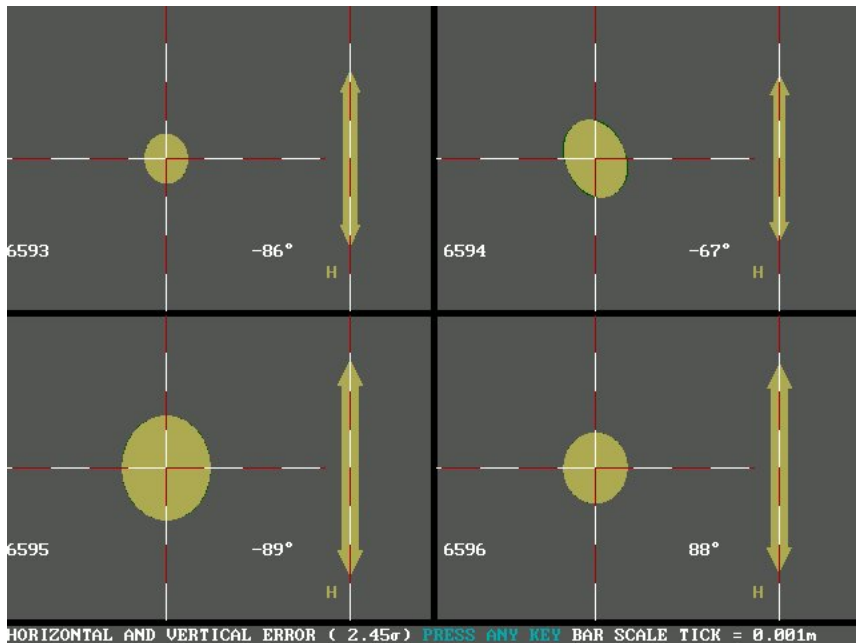
- existing Fermilab control network  
(accuracy < 2 mm @ 95% confidence level)
- **NAD 83** horizontal geodetic datum  
(GRS-80 reference ellipsoid)
- **NAVD 88** vertical datum
- **Geoid93** NGS model
- included 3 monuments tied to CORS
- added 6 new geodetic monuments  
(densification around access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



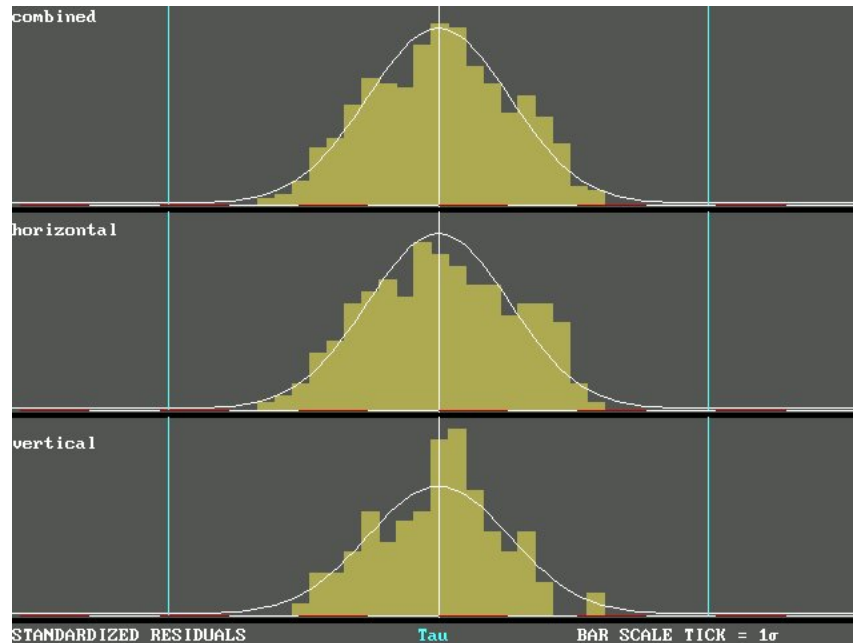
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# Primary Geodetic Network Results

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



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

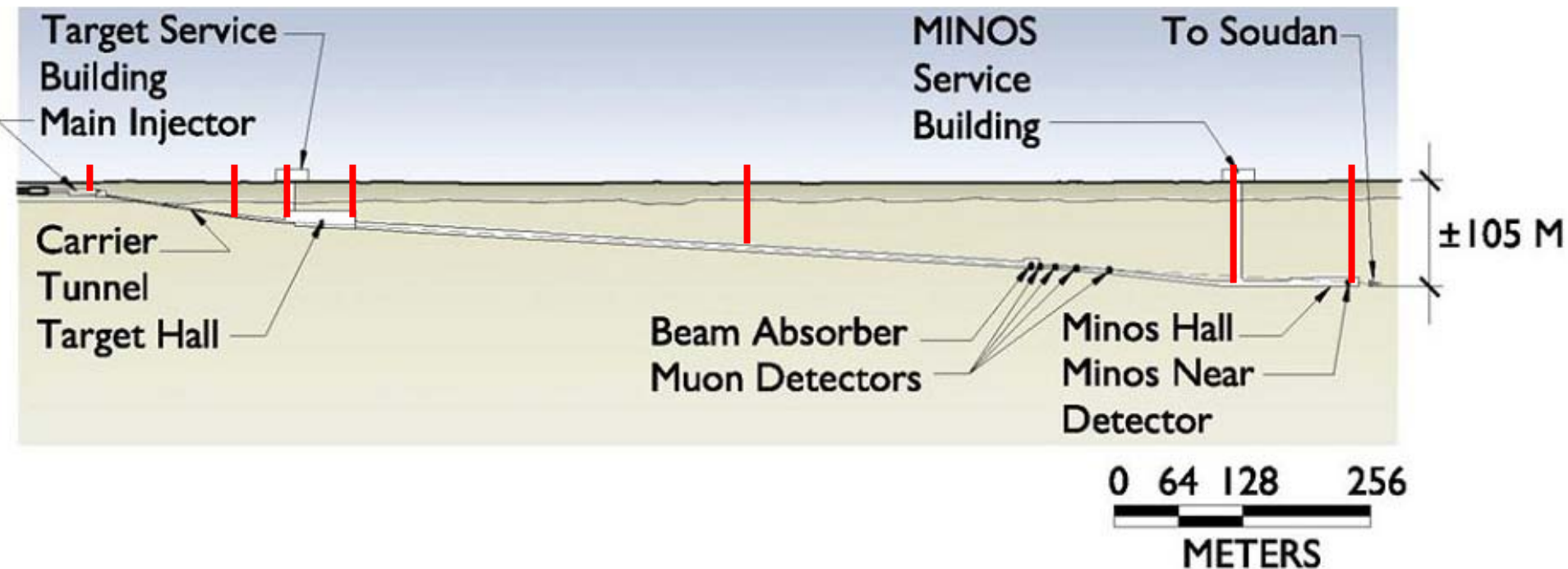


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# Underground Control Networks

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





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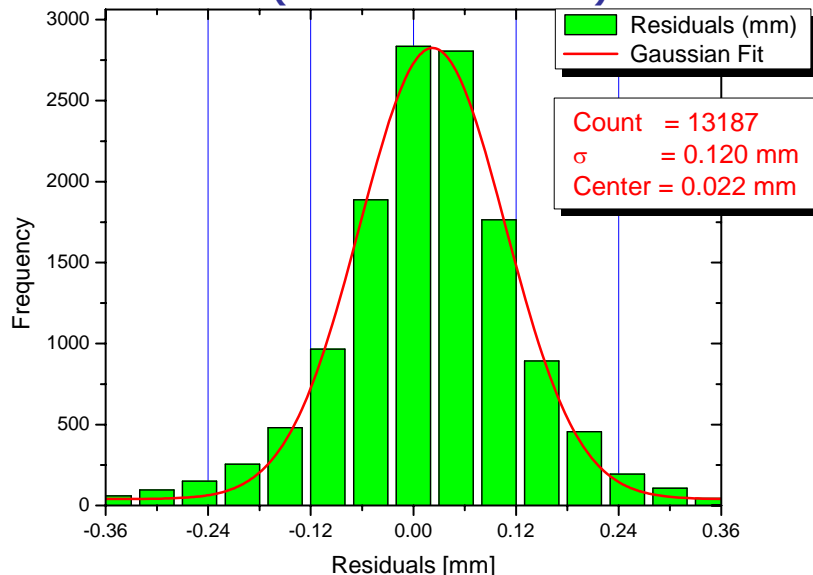
## Target Hall and Near Detector Hall

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- **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  $\pm 0.35$  mm at 95% confidence level**

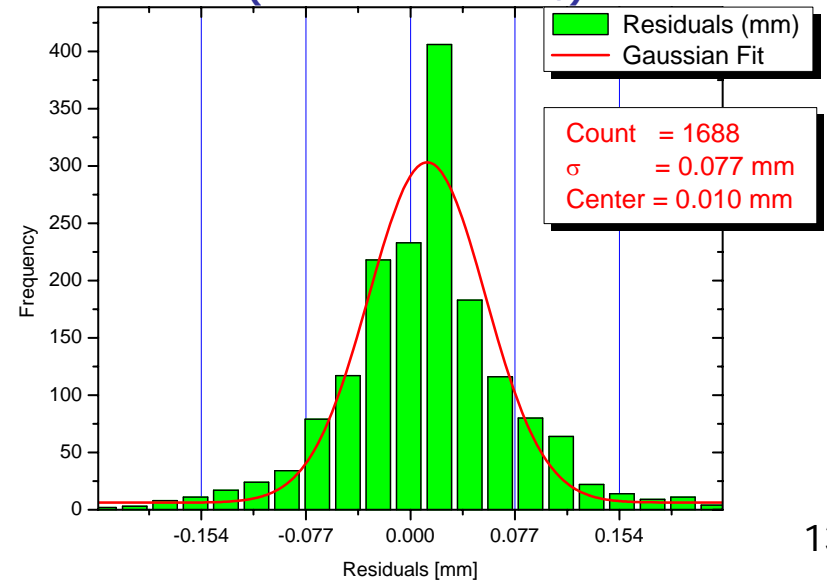
### *Initial Target Hall Network*

Histogram of standardized residuals  
(bar scale tick =  $1 \sigma$ )



### *MINOS detector Hall Network*

Histogram of standardized residuals  
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# Underground Network for the Primary Beam

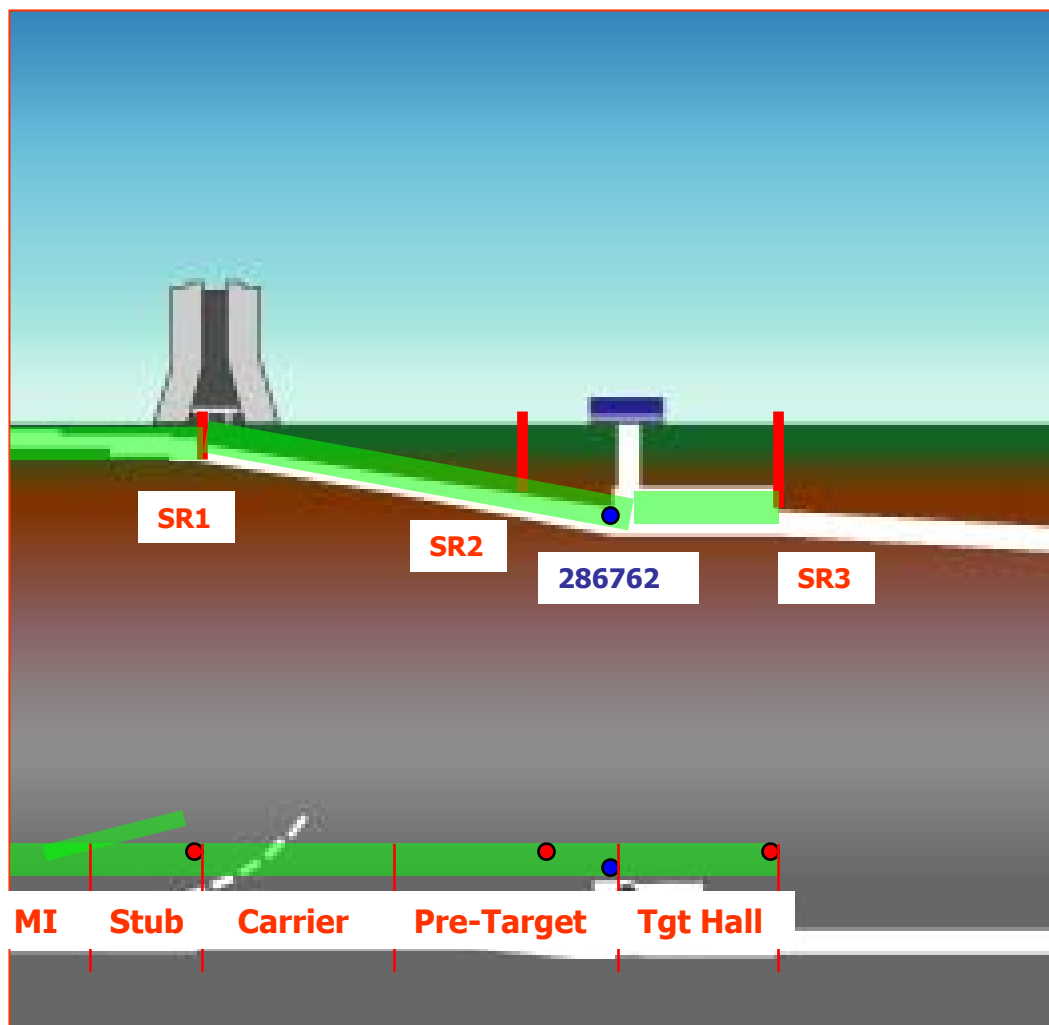
- **Second Phase:** to support the **alignment of Primary Beam** components and the **Target** and **focusing Horns**
  - **Network:** from MI-60 to the downstream end of the Target Hall
  - **Least-Squares Adjustment:** constraints at **MI-60, SR-1, SR-2, and SR-3**
  - **Network type:** **Laser Tracker** processed as **trilateration**
  - **Additional measurements** to study and control network behaviour and for confirmation
  - **23,000 Observations** => **Laser Tracker** ( $\sigma=0.050\text{-}0.15$  mm), **Mekometer Distances** ( $\sigma=0.2$  mm+/- 0.2 ppm), **Precision Angles** ( $\sigma=0.3''$ ), **Optical offsets** ( $\sigma=0.2\text{-}0.5$  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  $\pm 0.25$  mm**
  - **Target station components aligned to  $\pm 0.5$  mm**



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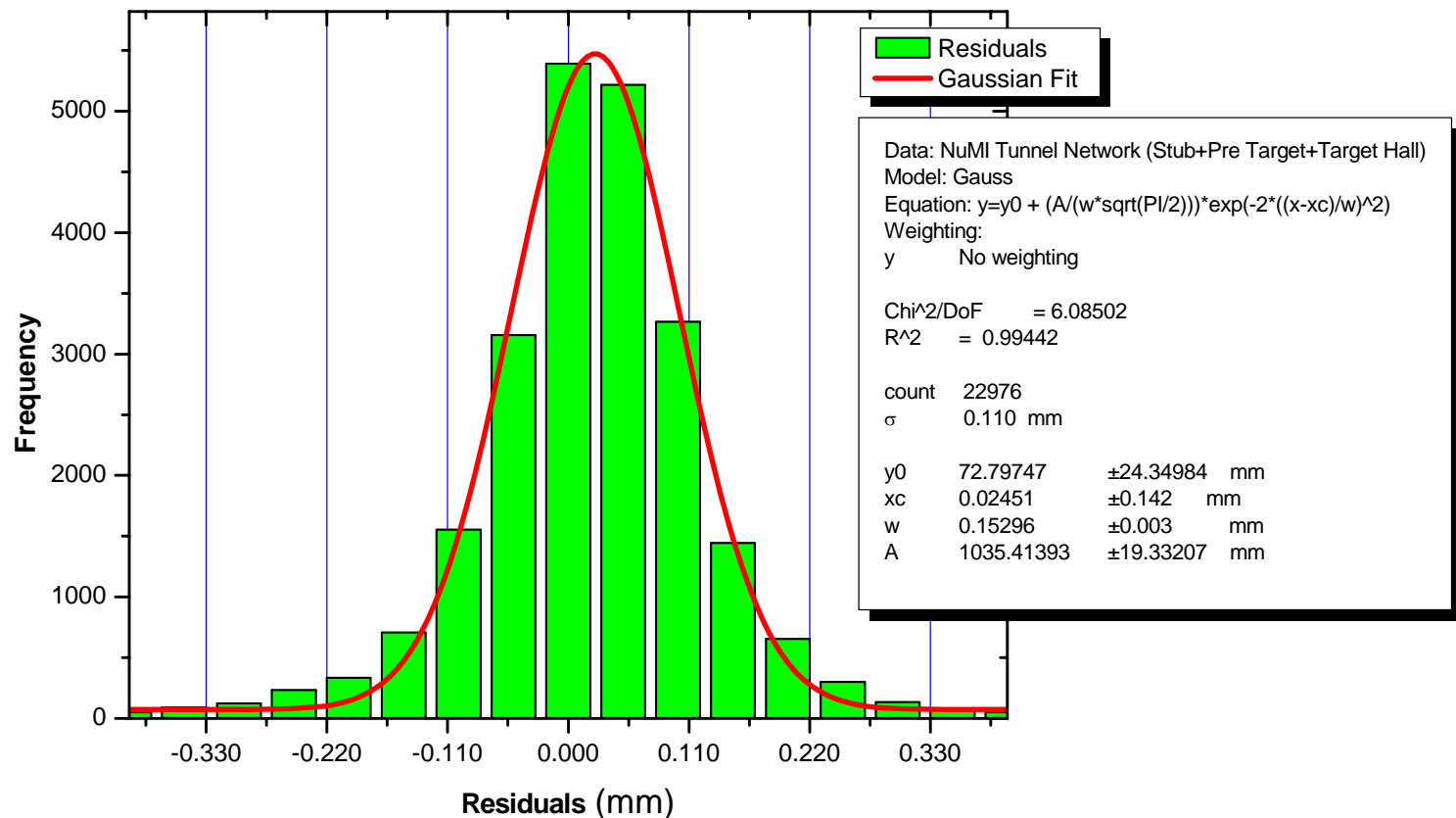


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# Underground Network for the Primary Beam

## Results: Histogram of Standardized Residuals



(bar scale tick =  $1 \sigma$ )





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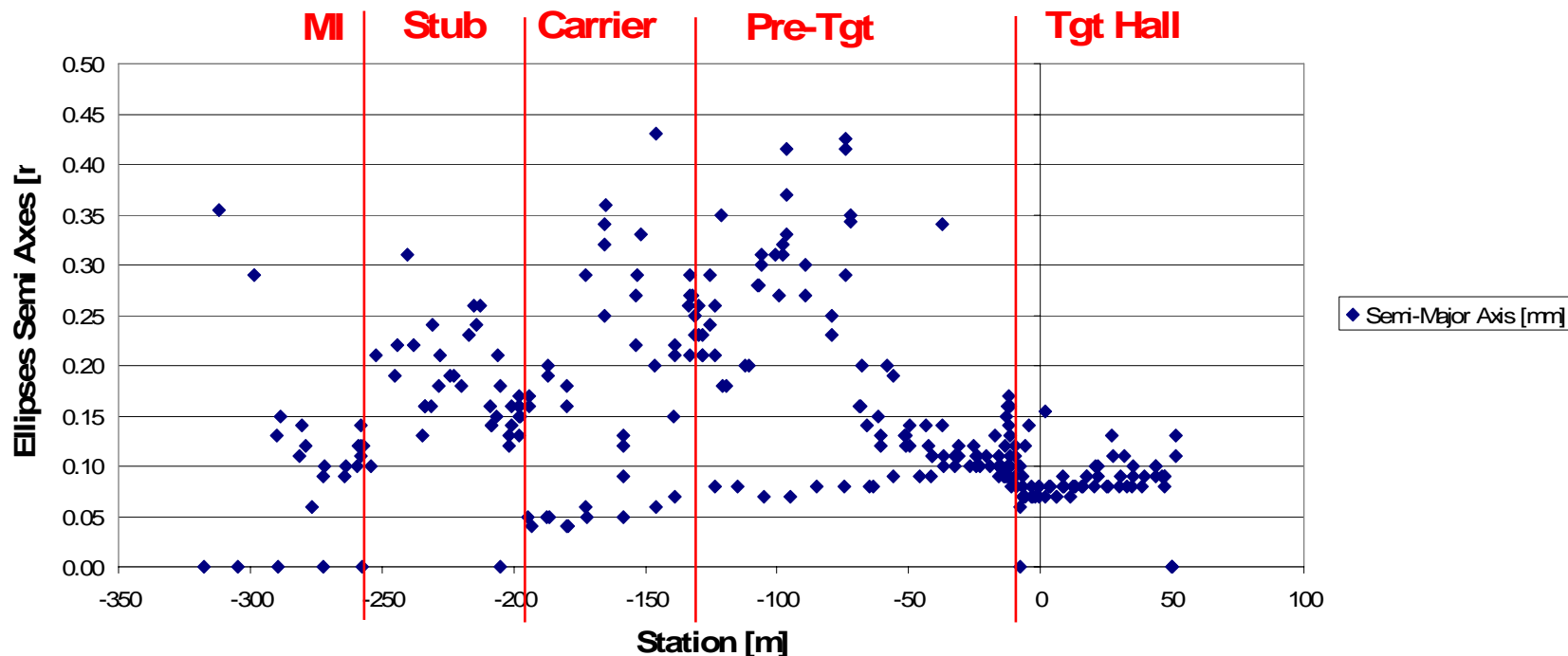
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# Underground Network for the Primary Beam

## Results: Error Ellipses XY Axes

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

XY Error Ellipses 95% Confidence Level ( $2.45\sigma$ )





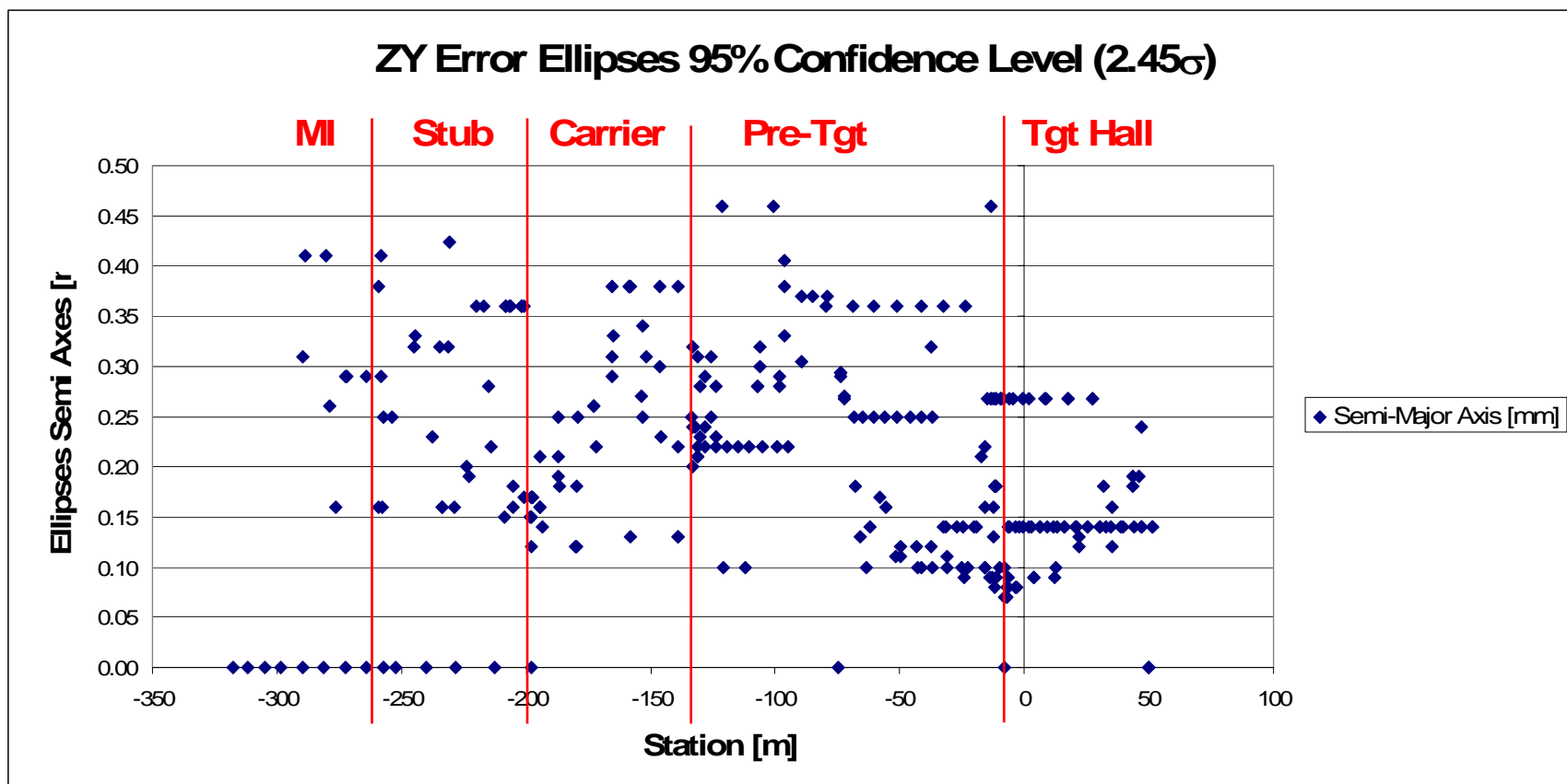
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# Underground Network for the Primary Beam

## Results: Error Ellipses ZY Axes

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



# NuMI Beam Commissioning

## Commissioning the Primary Proton Beam

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- ***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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**



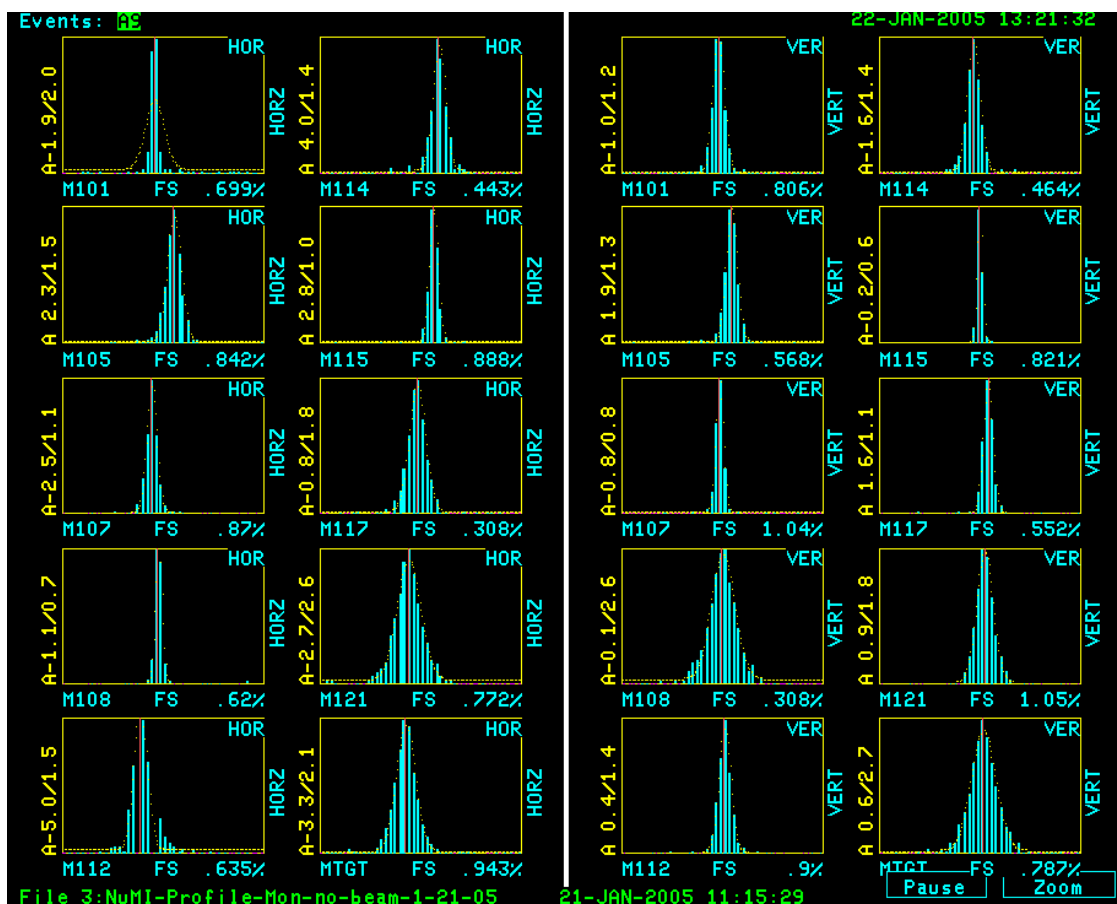
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# Beam Extraction in 10 Pulses

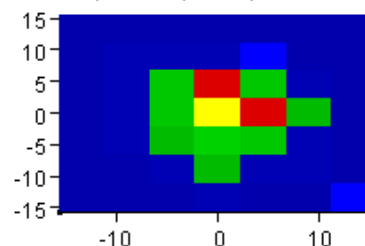
## Centered on Hadron Absorber at 725 m Distance

### 10<sup>th</sup> pulse: SEMs and Hadron Monitor readings



#### NuMI Hadron Monitor 2-D Display (log Z)

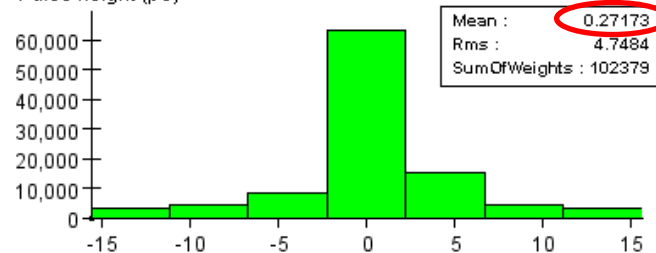
Vertical position (inches)



XMean : 0.27173  
XRms : 4.7484  
YMean : 0.076763  
YRms : 4.6779  
SumOfWeights : 102379

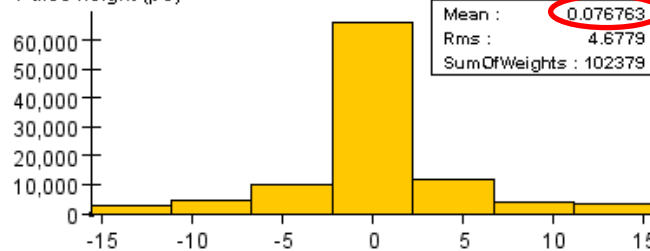
#### NuMI Hadron Monitor X-position

Pulse height (pC)



#### NuMI Hadron Monitor Y-position

Pulse height (pC)



Vertical Position (inches)



# NuMI Beam Commissioning

## Commissioning of the Neutrino Beam

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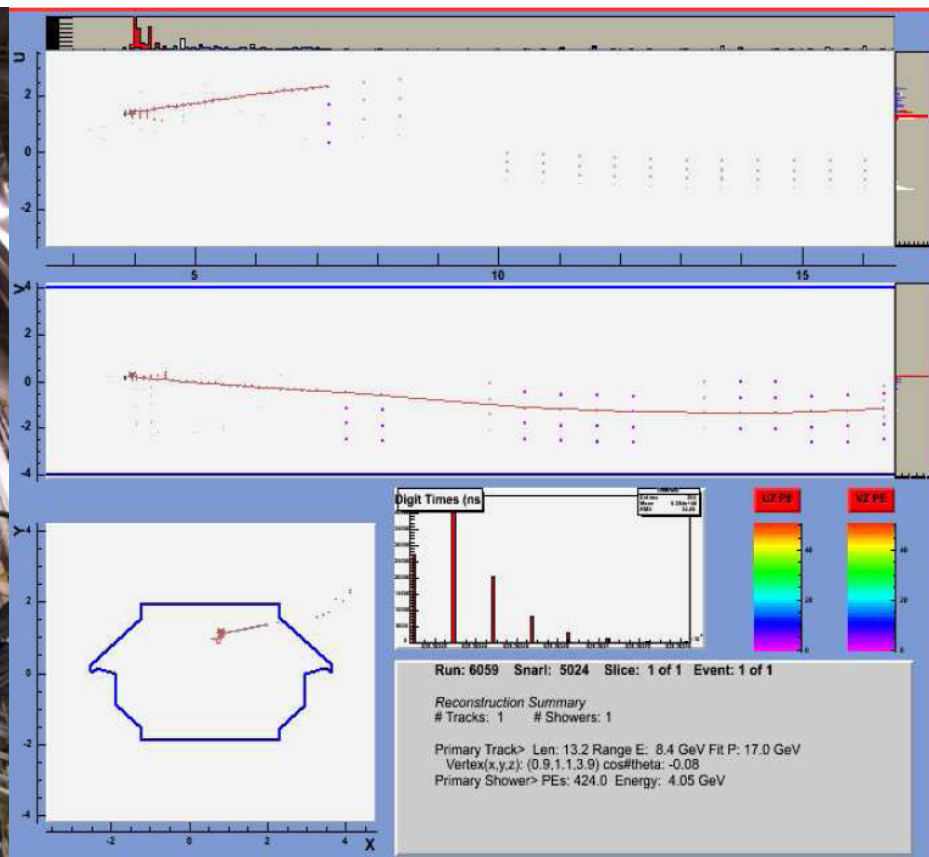
- ***MINOS starts January 21, 2005:***
  - target at  $Z=-1\text{m}$  (Medium Energy Beam)
  - horns turned ON
  - on the 4<sup>th</sup> horn pulse - first neutrino in the Near Detector
  - after fine tuning the proton line, on February 18, 2005, NuMI turn to high intensity beam, operating on 6 multi-batch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



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# First Neutrino in the Near Detector

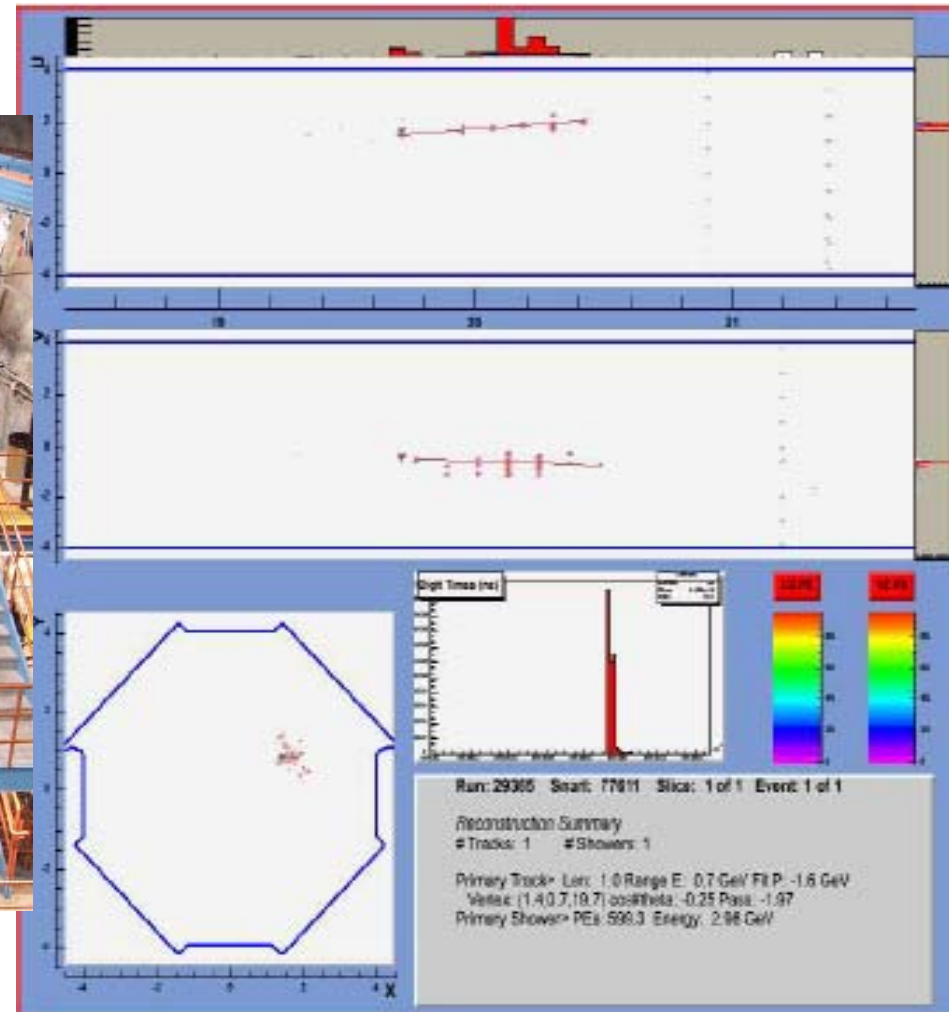




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# First Neutrino in the Far Detector



# NuMI Beam Commissioning

## 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  **$\pm 0.25$  mm**
- Target station components aligned to  **$\pm 0.5$  mm**.

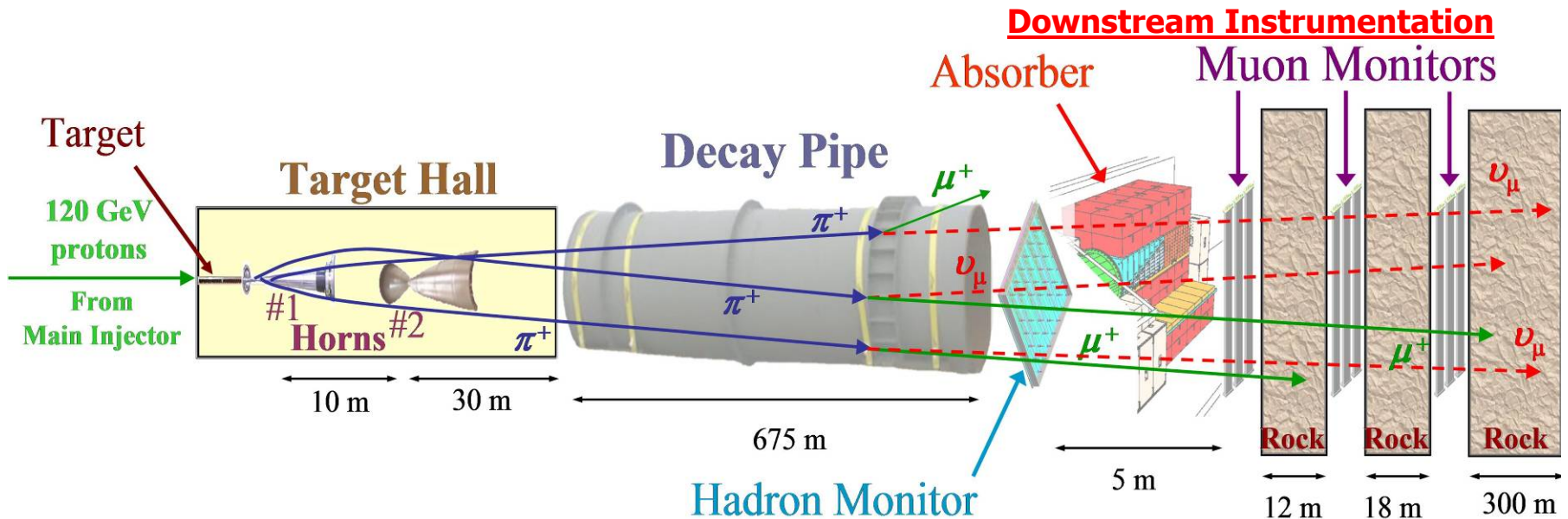
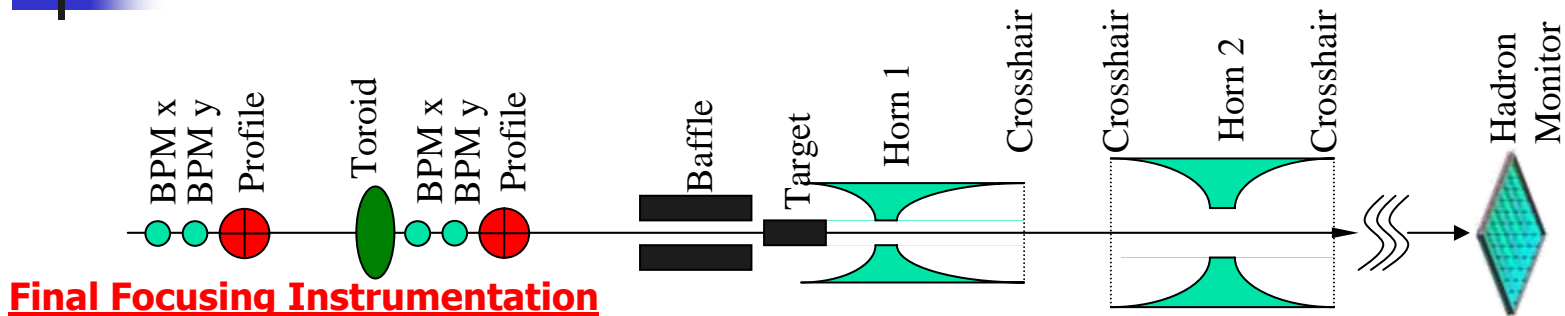
DEVICE	Horizontal dX (mm)	Vertical dY (mm)
Target	<b>-0.122</b>	<b>-0.151</b>
Horn 1	<b>-0.285</b>	<b>0.303</b>
Horn 2	<b>-0.344</b>	<b>-0.650</b>

- 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

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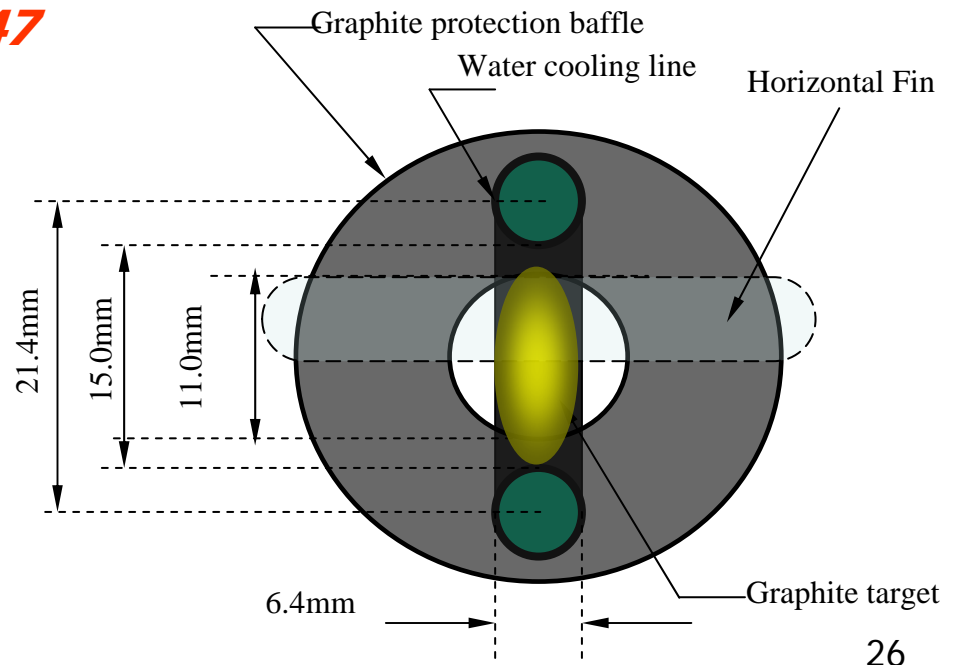
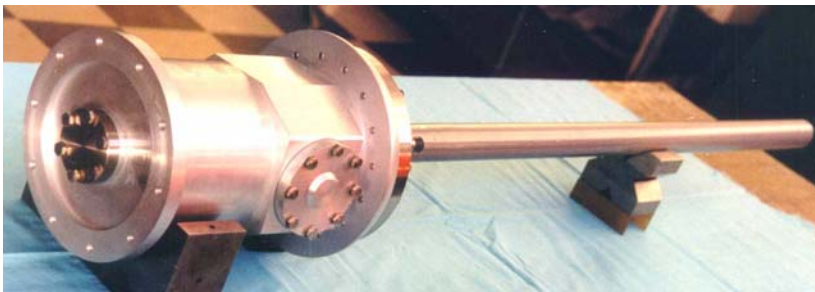


# Baffle & Target System

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

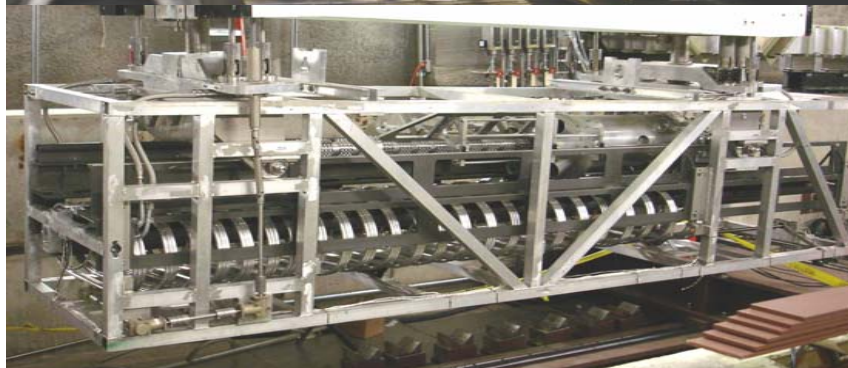
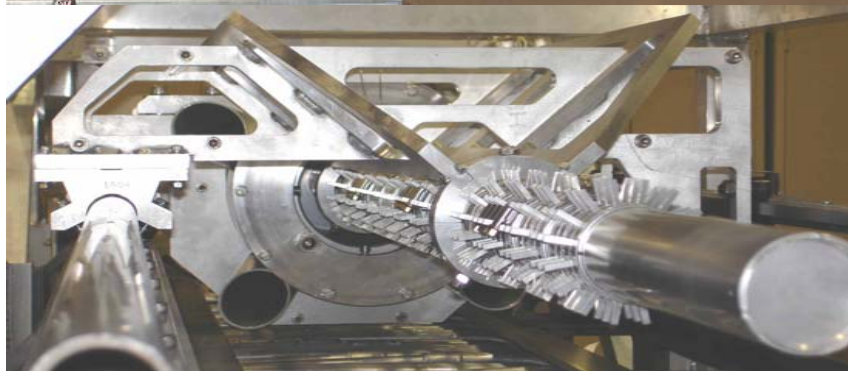




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# NuMI Target

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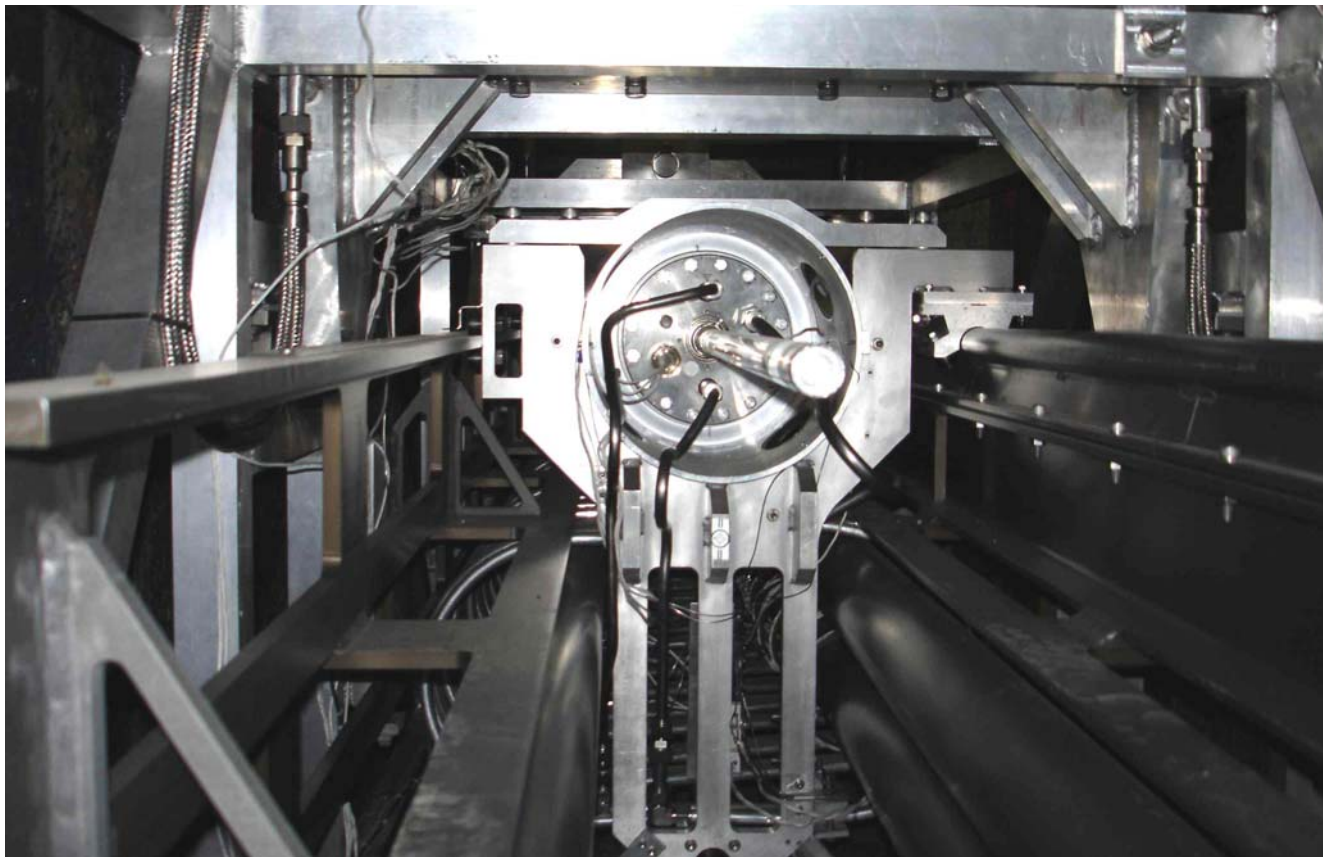




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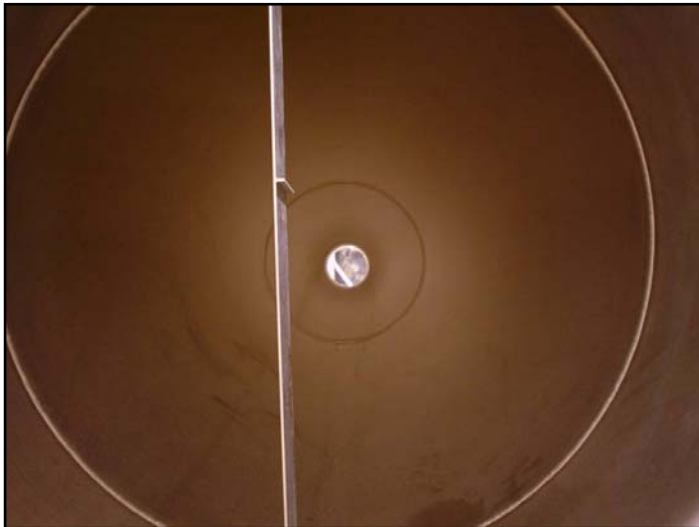
View from inside the chase - for Low Energy (LE) beam configuration Target **slides into Horn 1 without touching**



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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



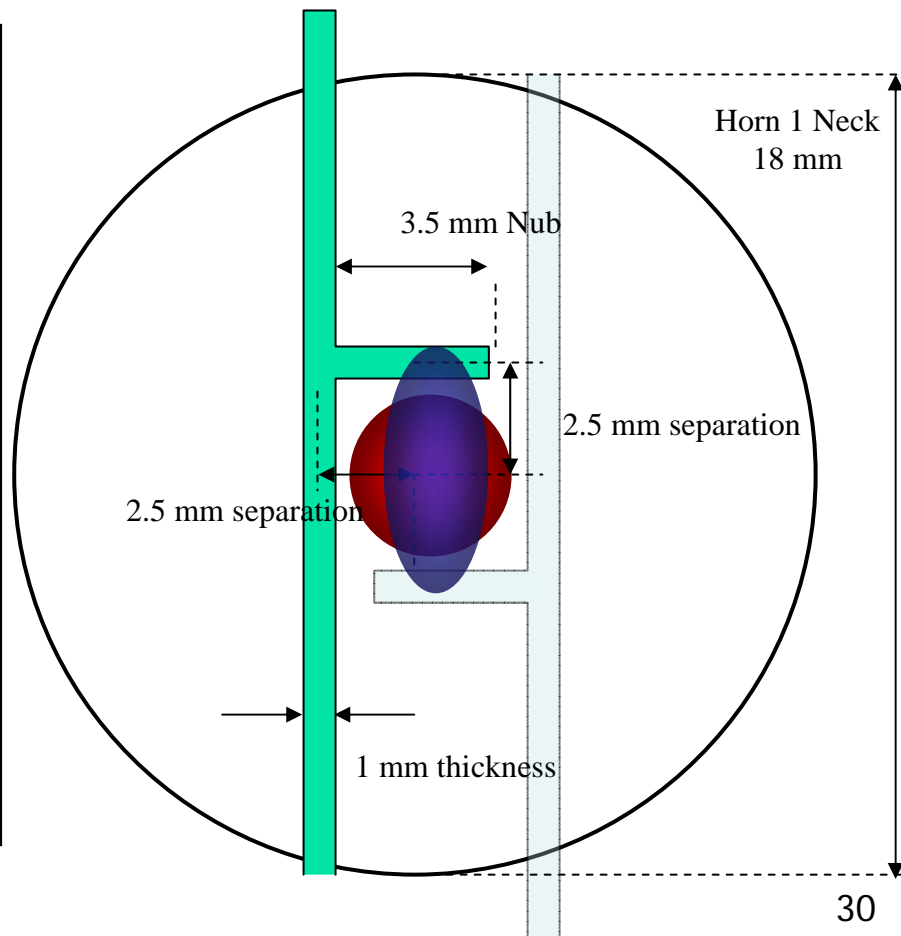
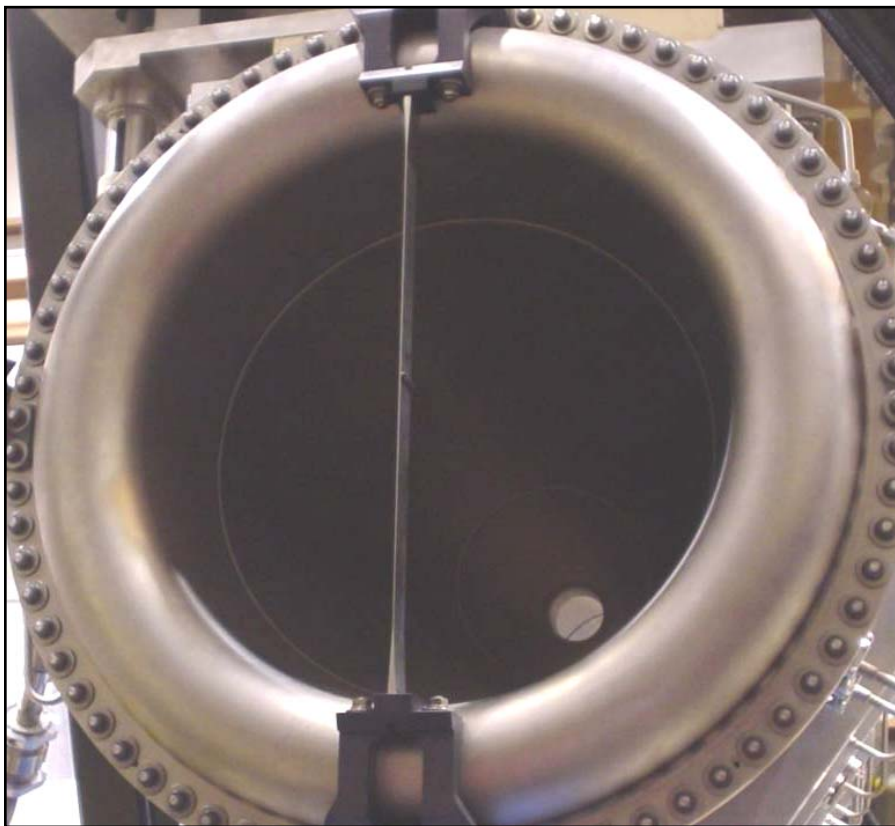


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# Horns Cross-hairs

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- Beam **narrow horizontally**, wide vertically





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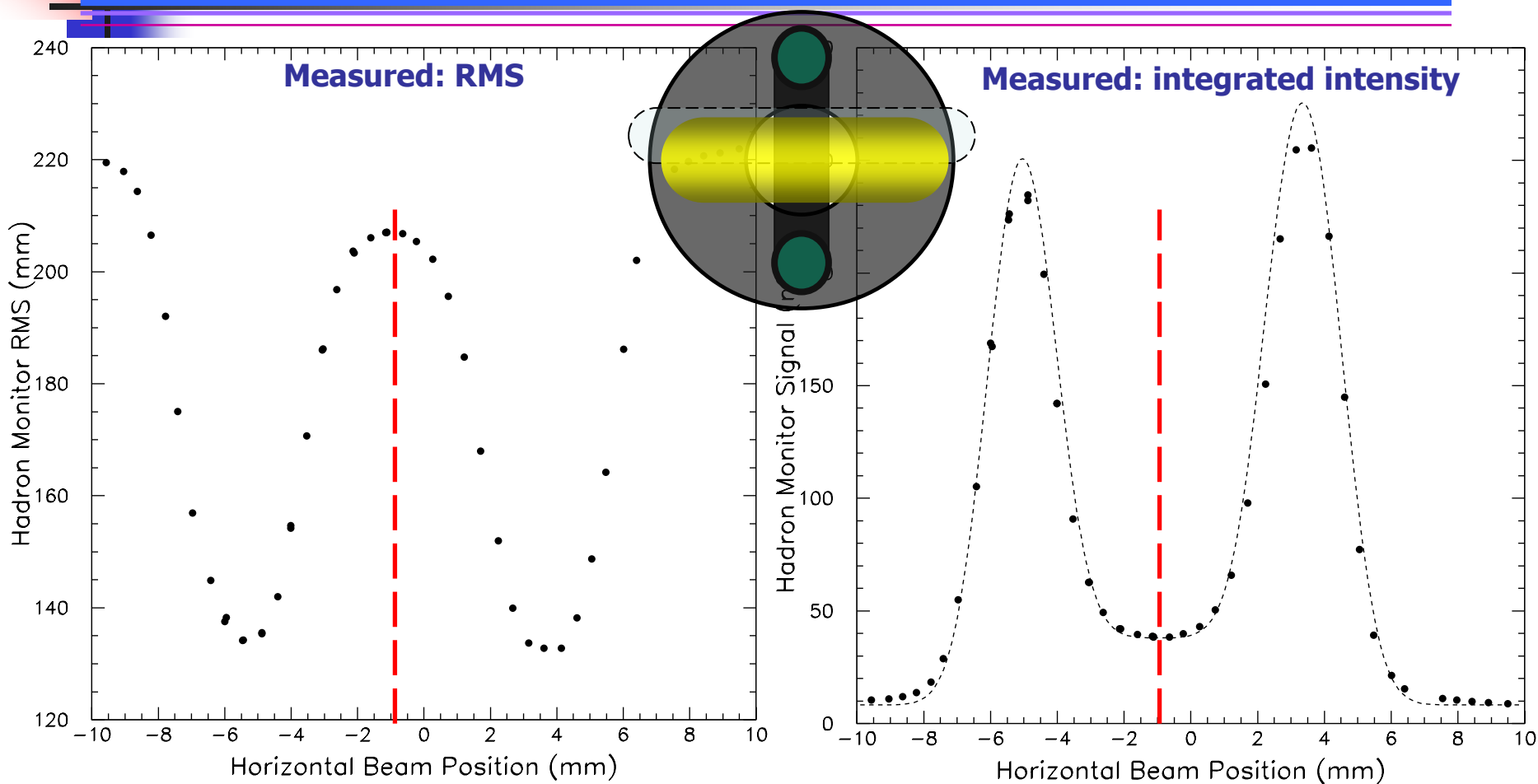
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# Target & Baffle Horizontal Positions



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

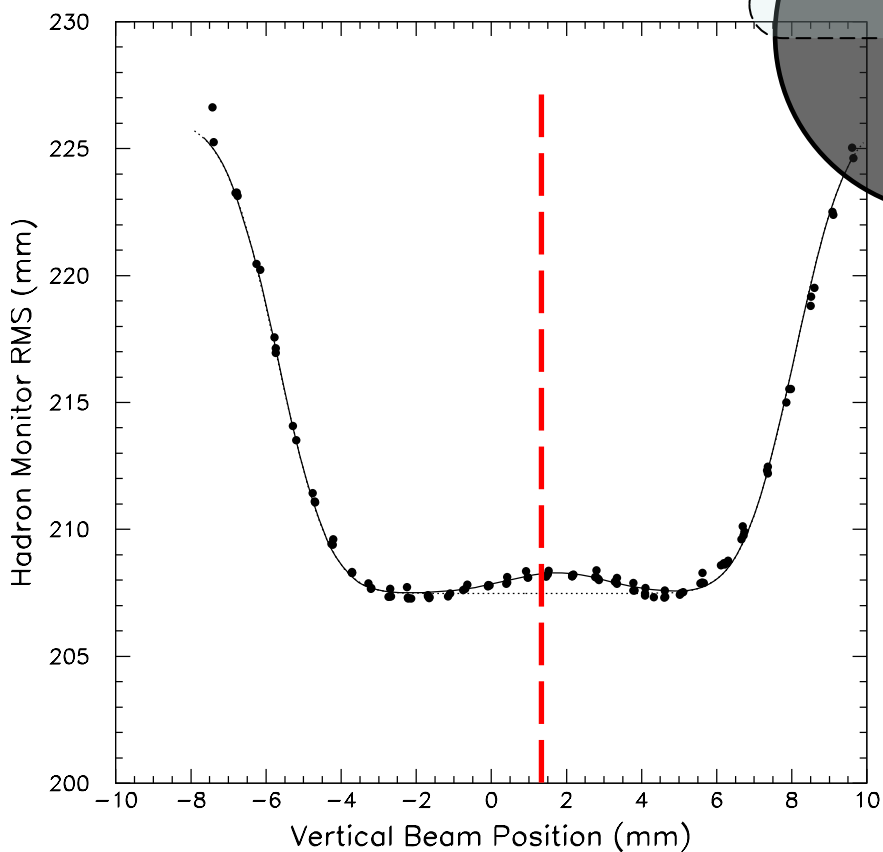


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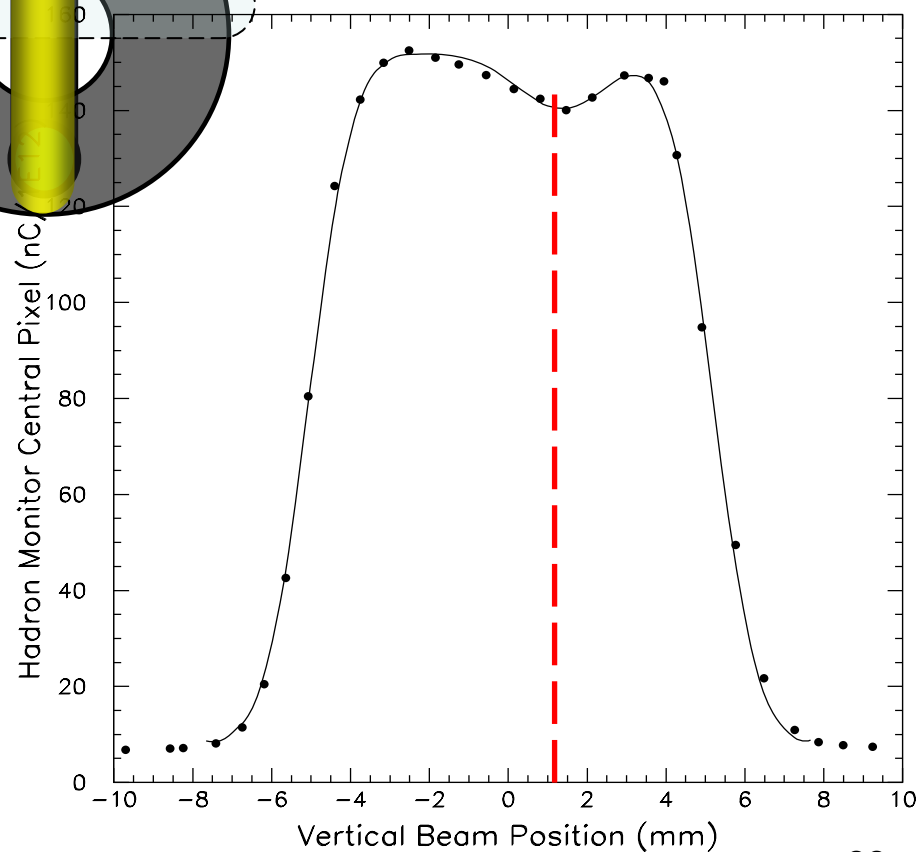
# Target & Baffle Vertical Positions

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Measured: RMS



Measured: central pixel intensity



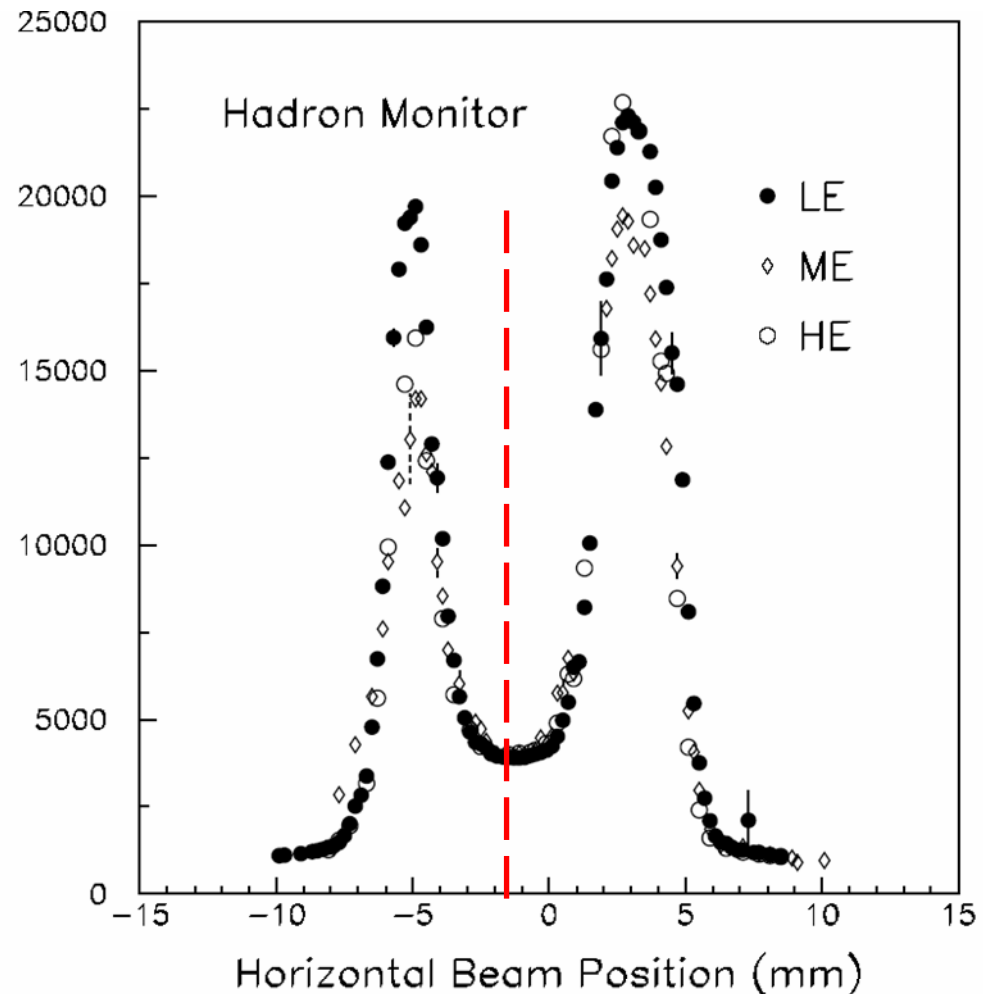


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# Target Tracks LE → ME → HE

- 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

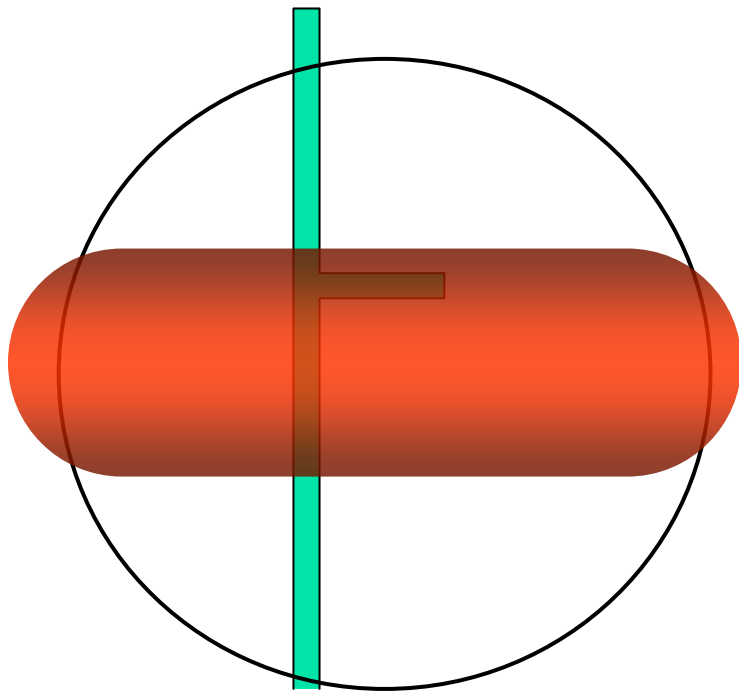




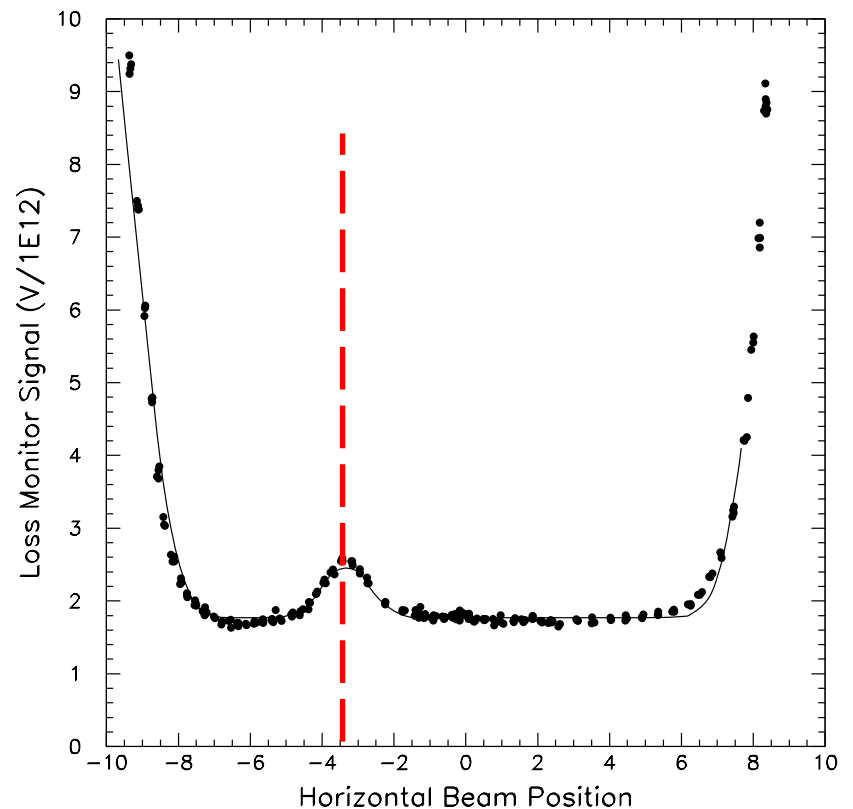
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# Horn 1 Horizontal Position

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Measured: integrated intensity

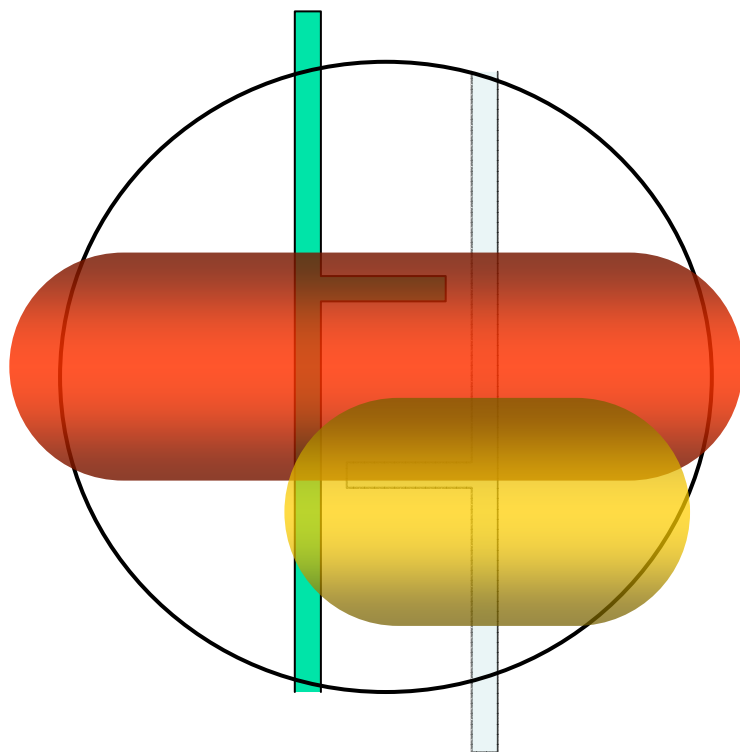




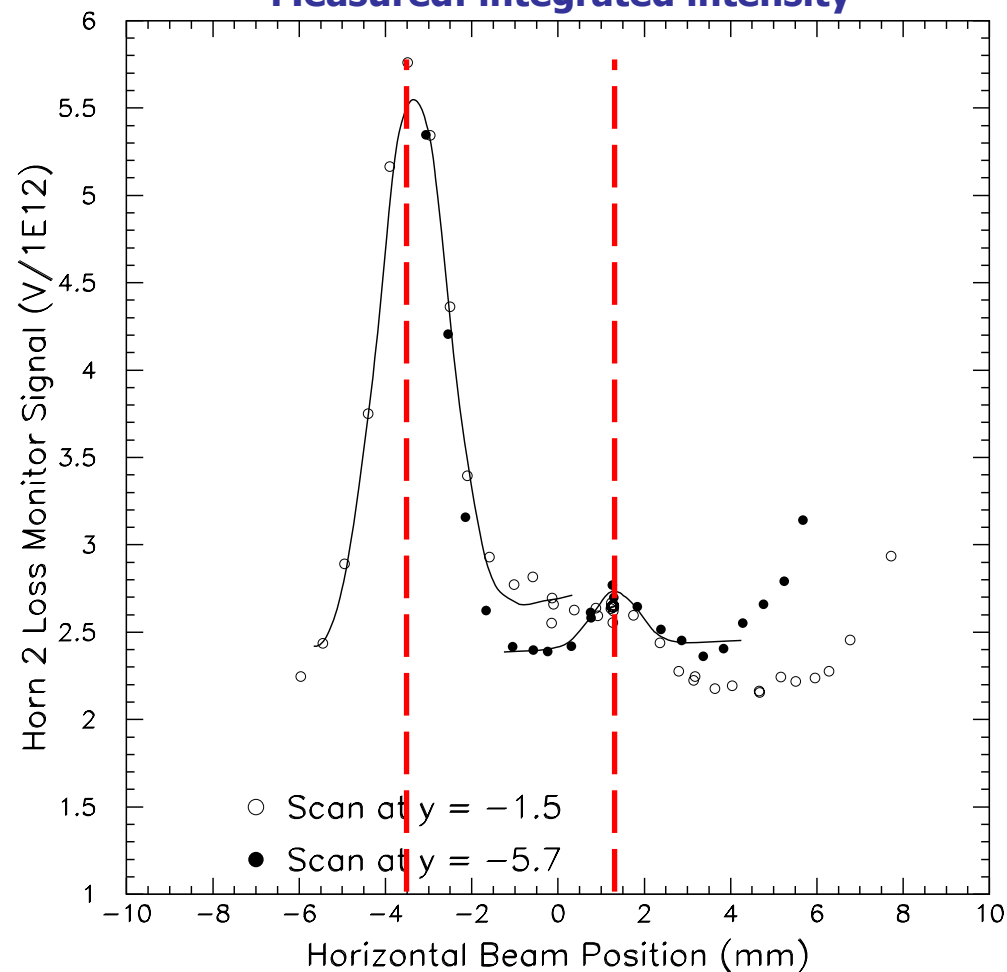
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# Horn 2 Horizontal Positions



Measured: integrated intensity



# Summary of Target/Horns Sans on BPM Measurements

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**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 %**

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**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**

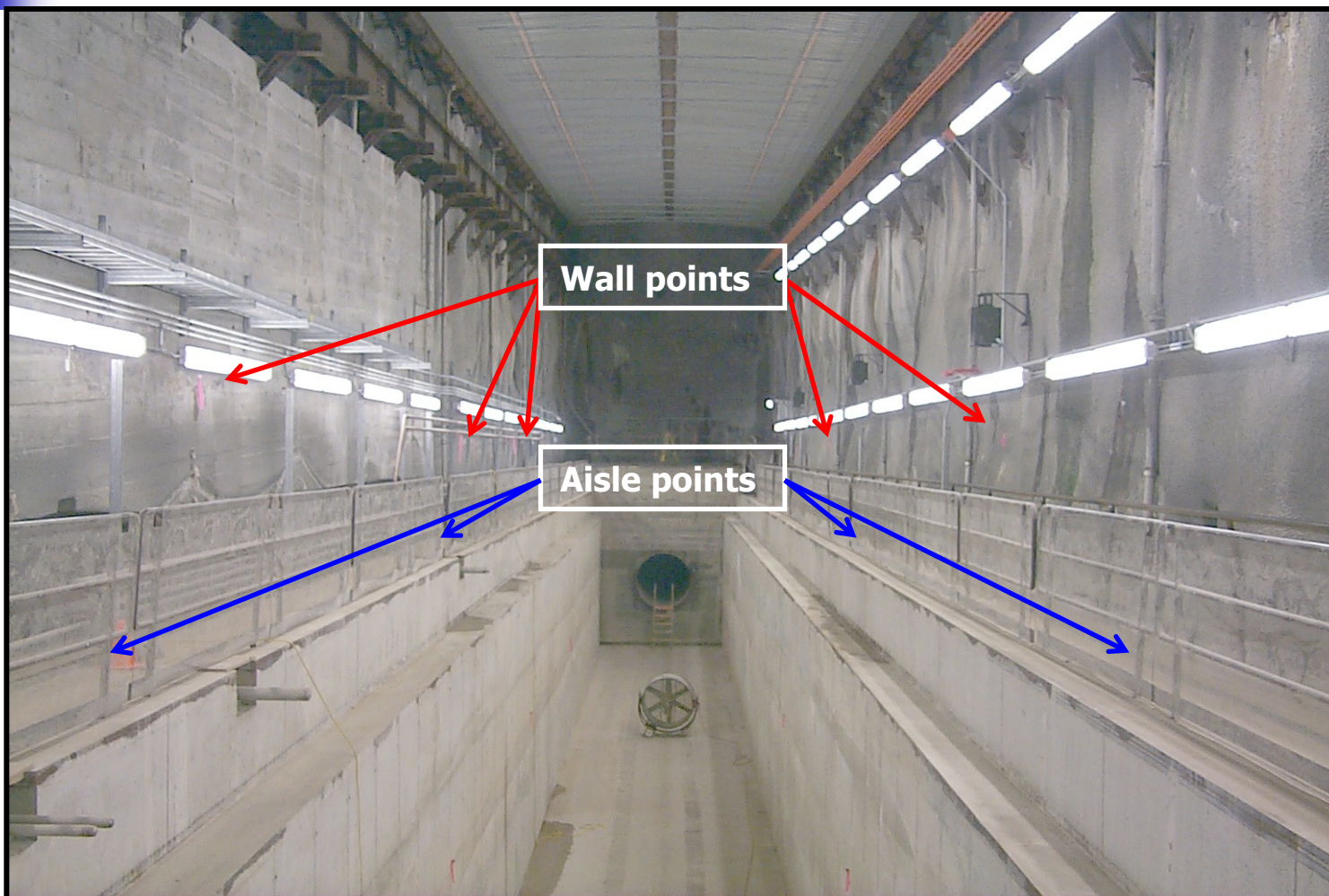


# Pre-Target and Target Hall Deformation Analysis

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- 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

# Target Hall During Network Observations

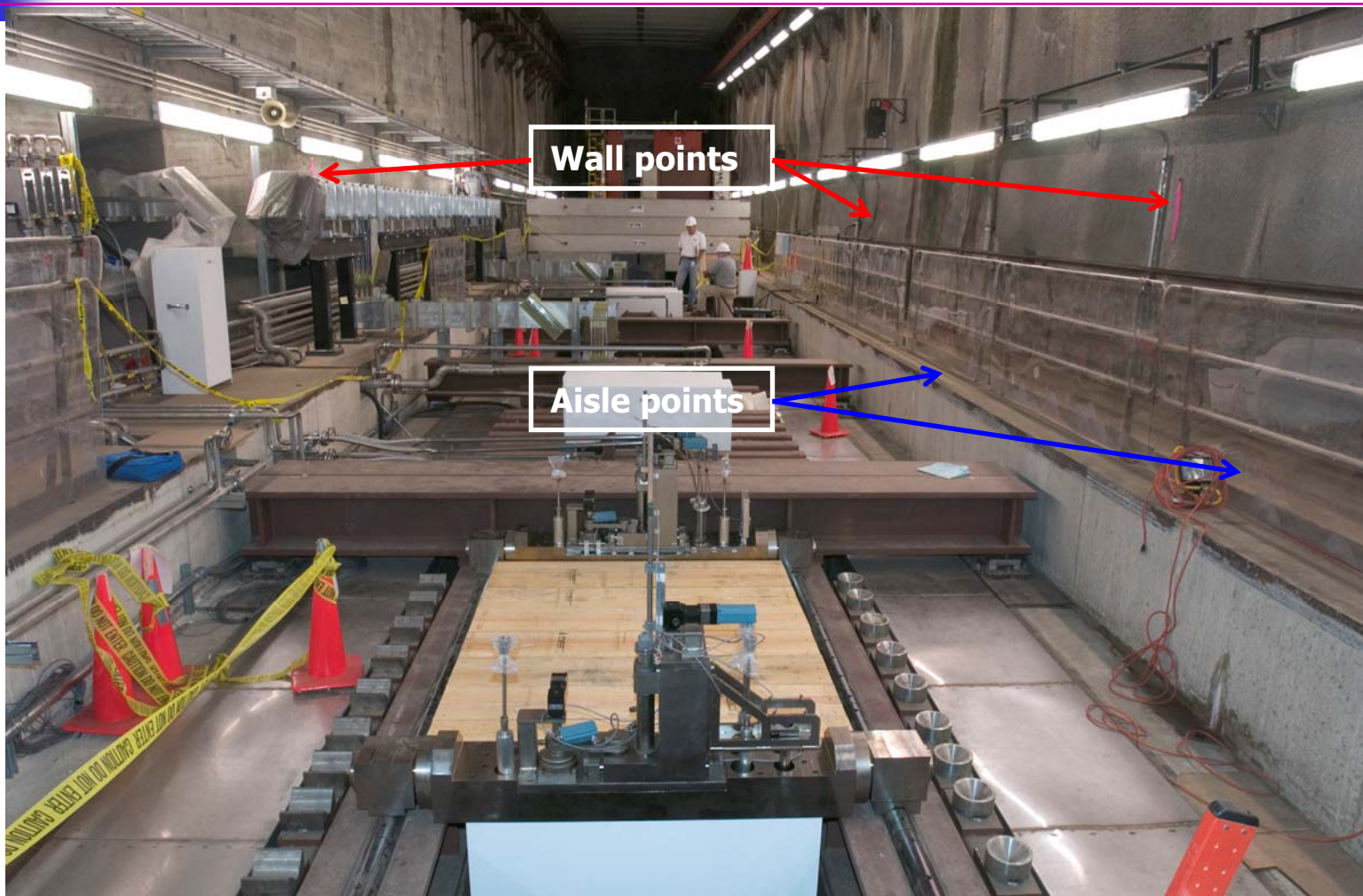




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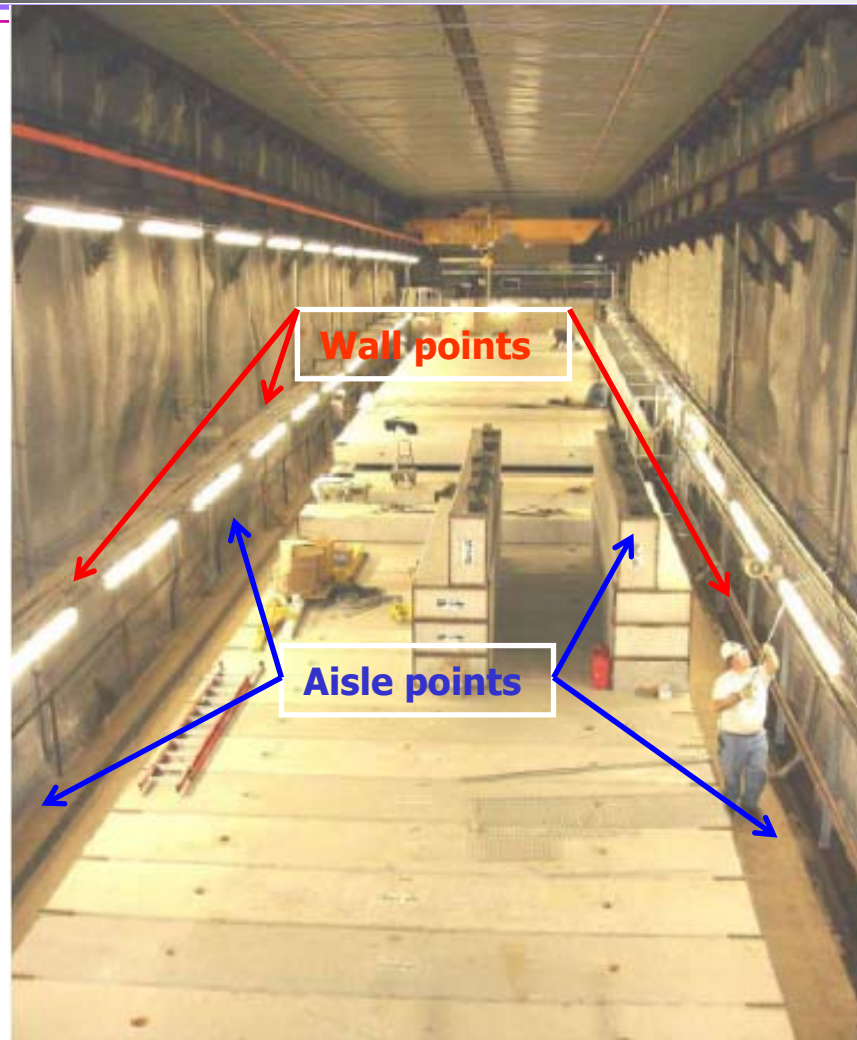
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# Target Hall During Target and Horns Alignment





# 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

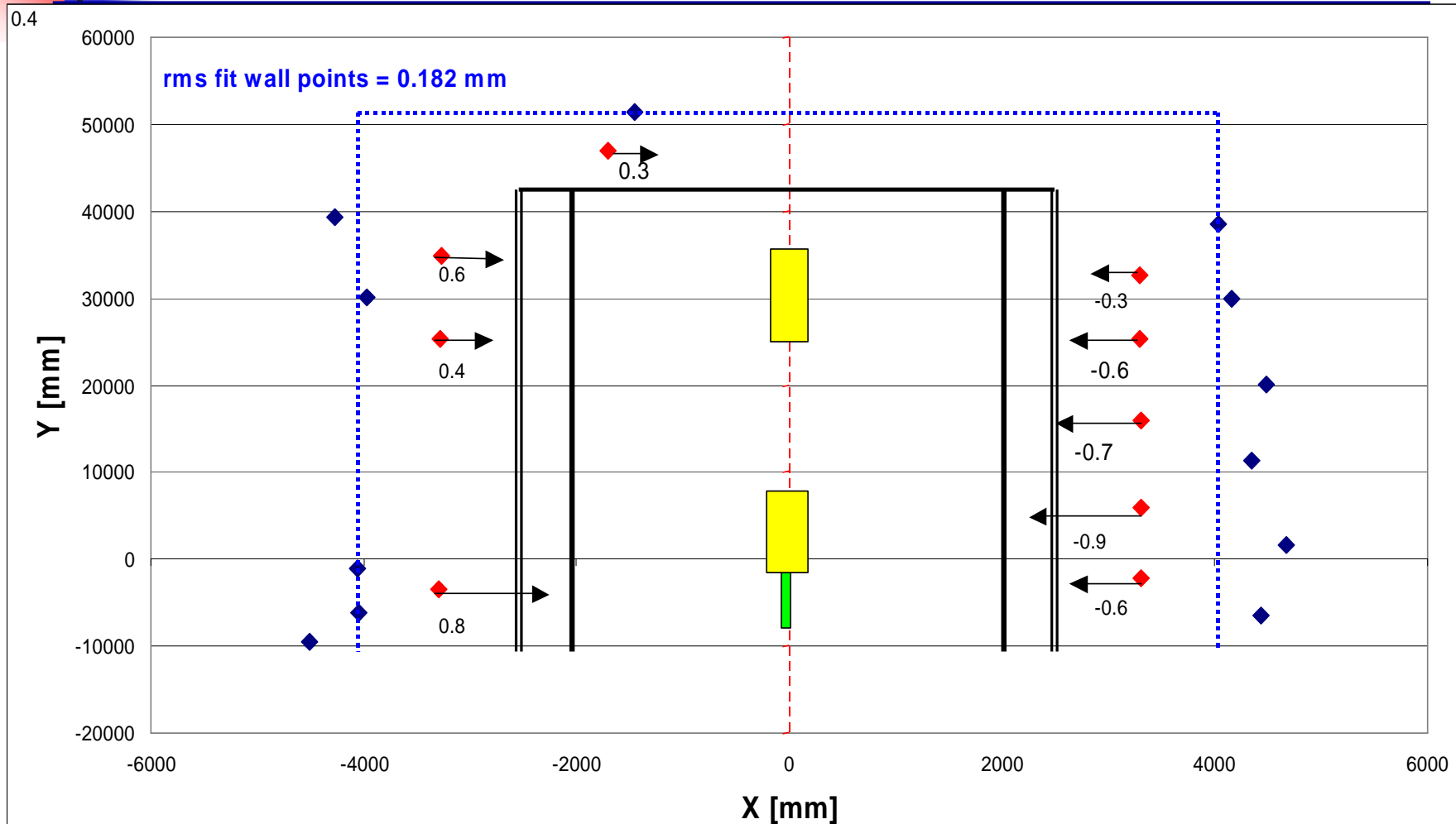


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# Target Hall Horizontal Deformation

## R-blocks loaded (as during run)





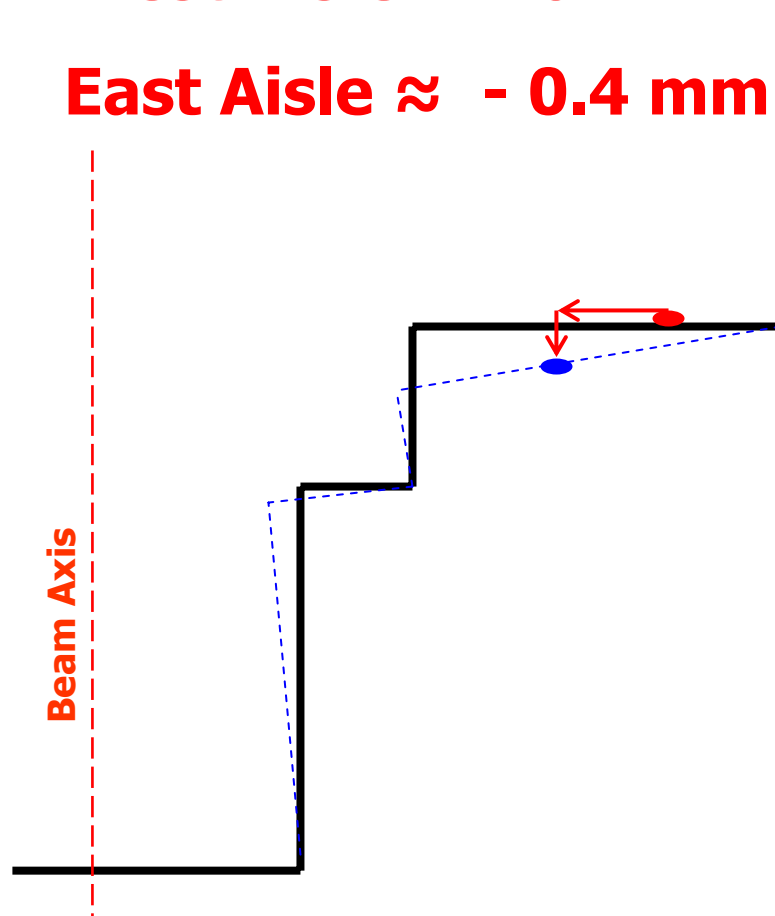
# Target Hall Vertical Deformation

## R-blocks loaded (as during run)

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**West Aisle  $\approx -0.7$  mm**

**East Aisle  $\approx -0.4$  mm**



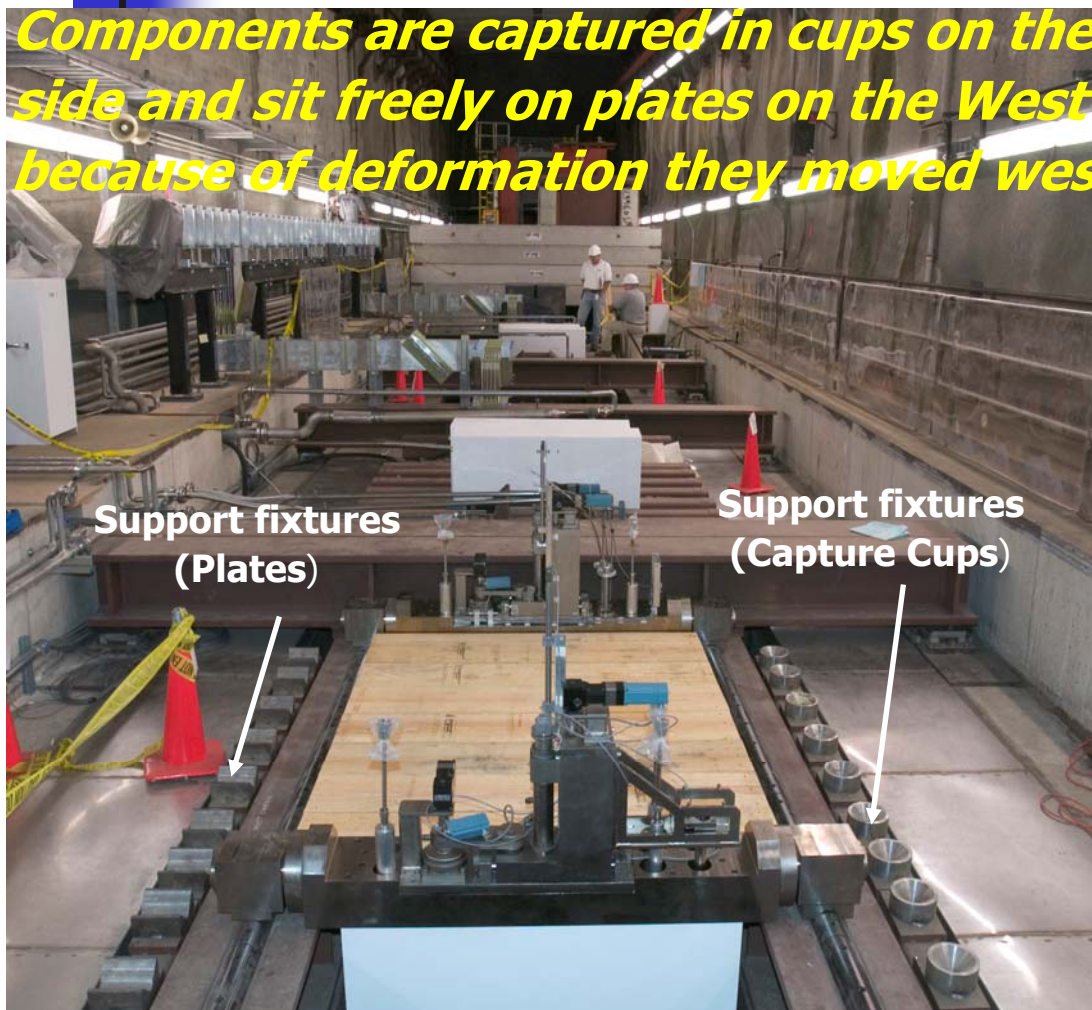


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# Support/Capture Fixtures for Target and Horns

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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

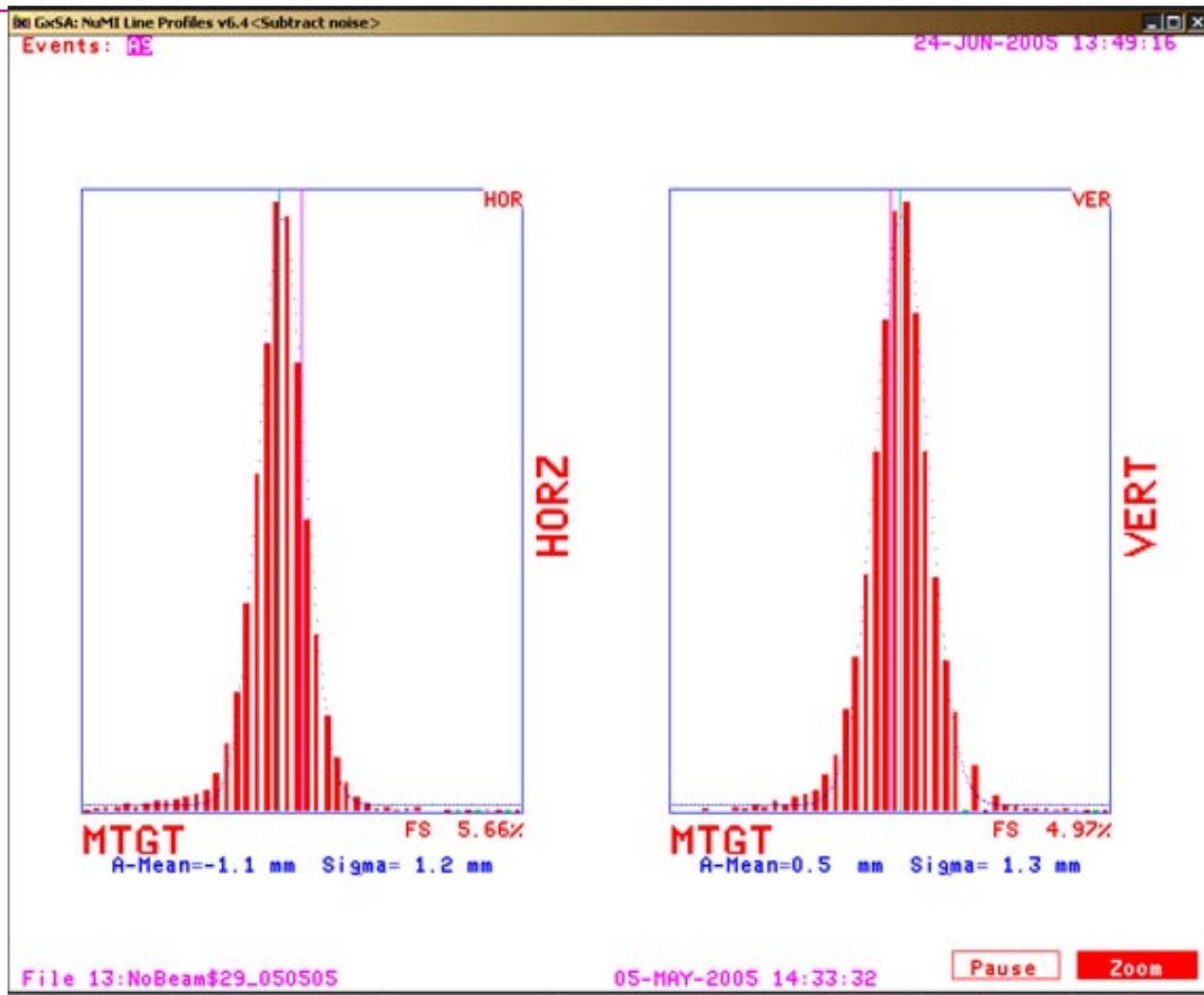
- **Horizontal beam on Target and Horns:**
  - Aisles (horizontal) deformation due to load = - **0.9 mm**
  - Displacement due to thermal expansion ( $\Delta T = 4^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) = -**0.1 mm**
  - Target misalignment = - **0.1 mm**
  - Total Horizontal estimated displacement = -1.1 mm
- **Vertical beam on Target and Horns:**
  - Aisles (vertical) deformation due to load = - **0.5 mm**
  - Displacement due to thermal expansion ( $\Delta T = 4^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) = -**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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