



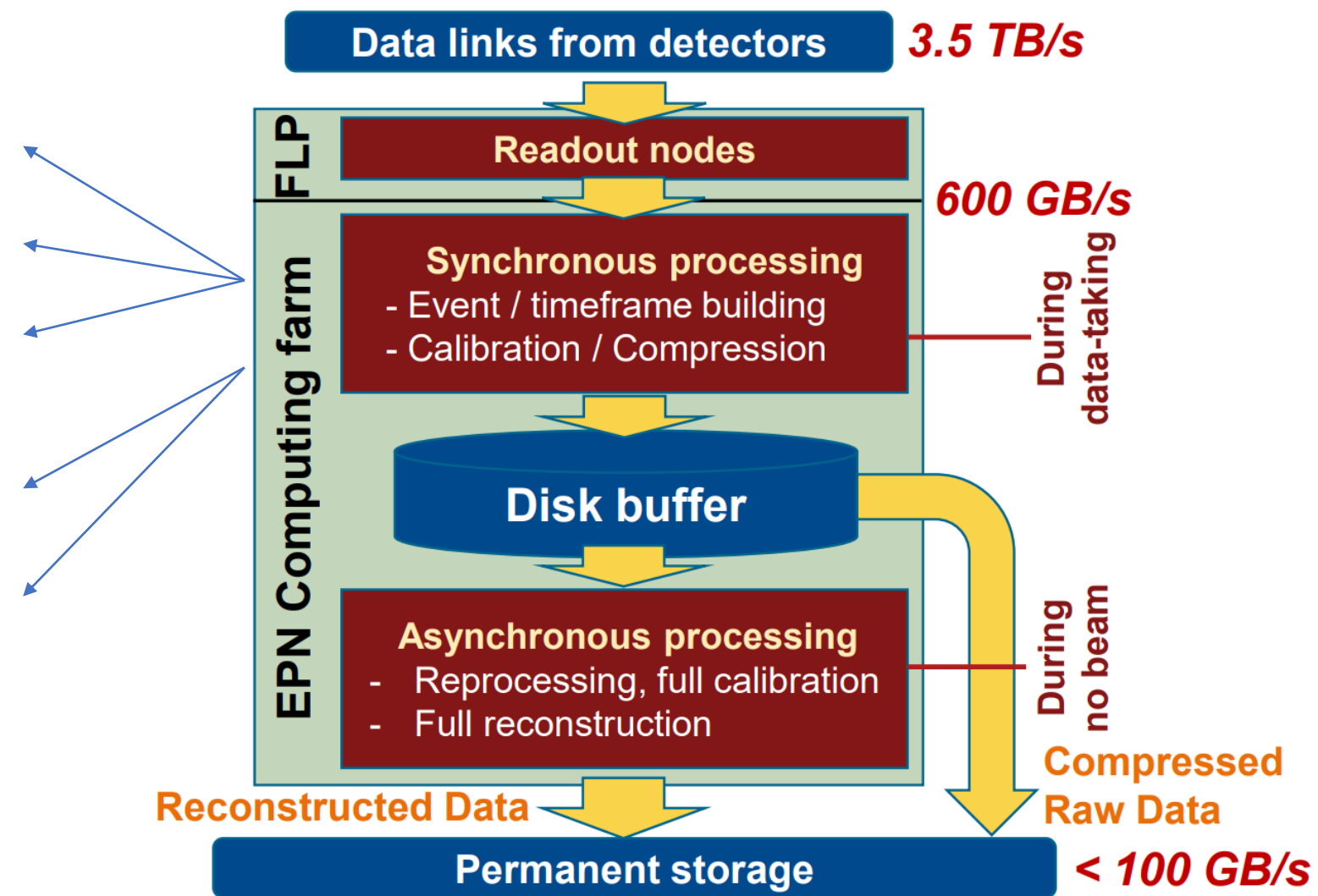
Real-time calibrations for detectors at FAIR  
& NN-Based PID for HADES

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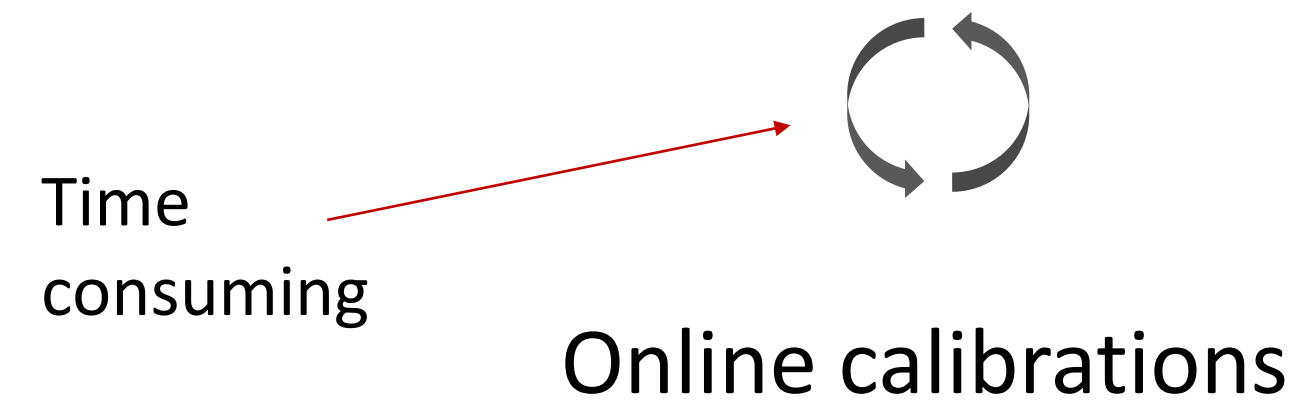
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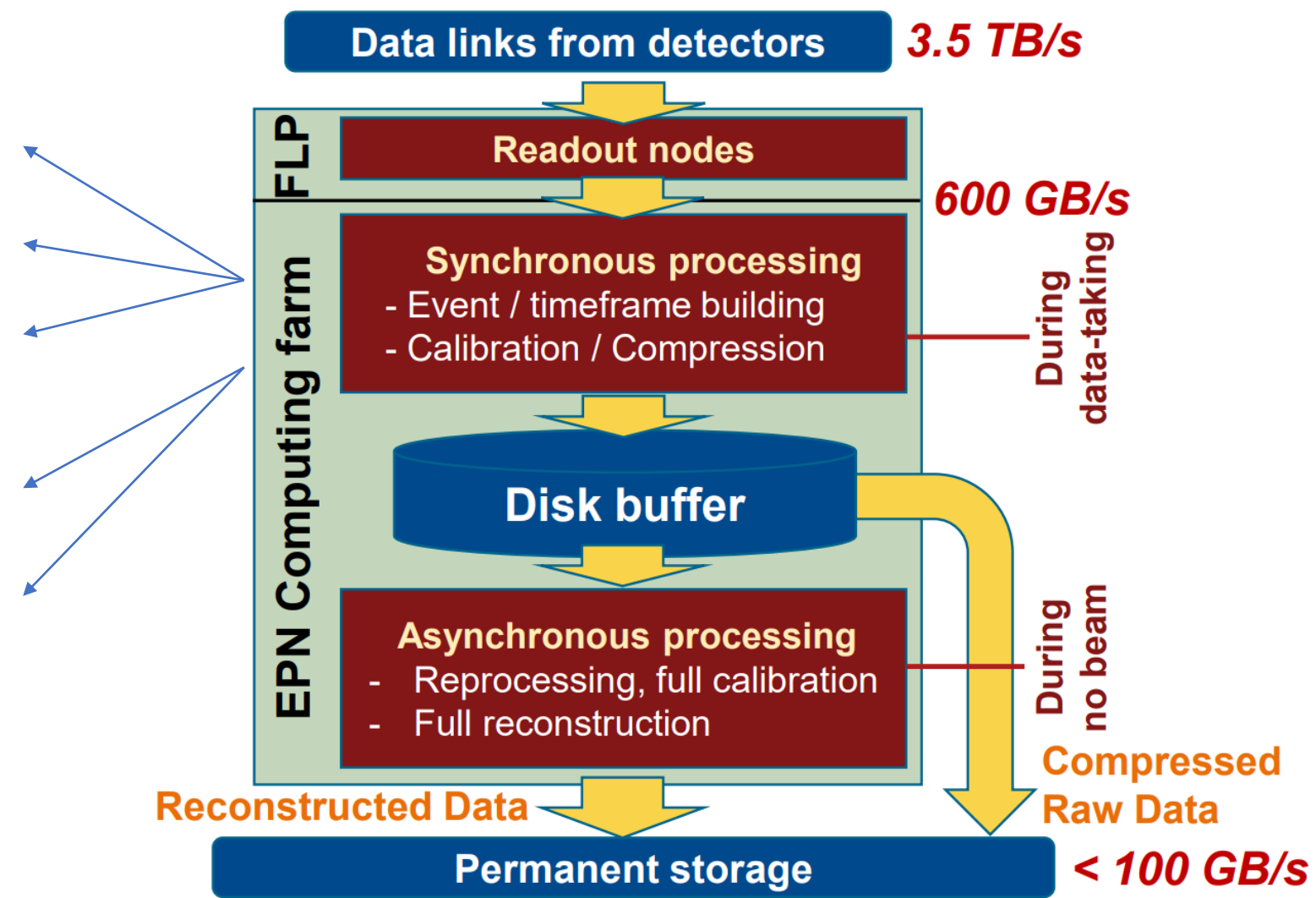


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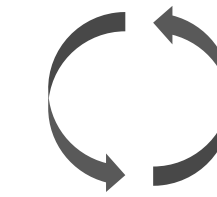
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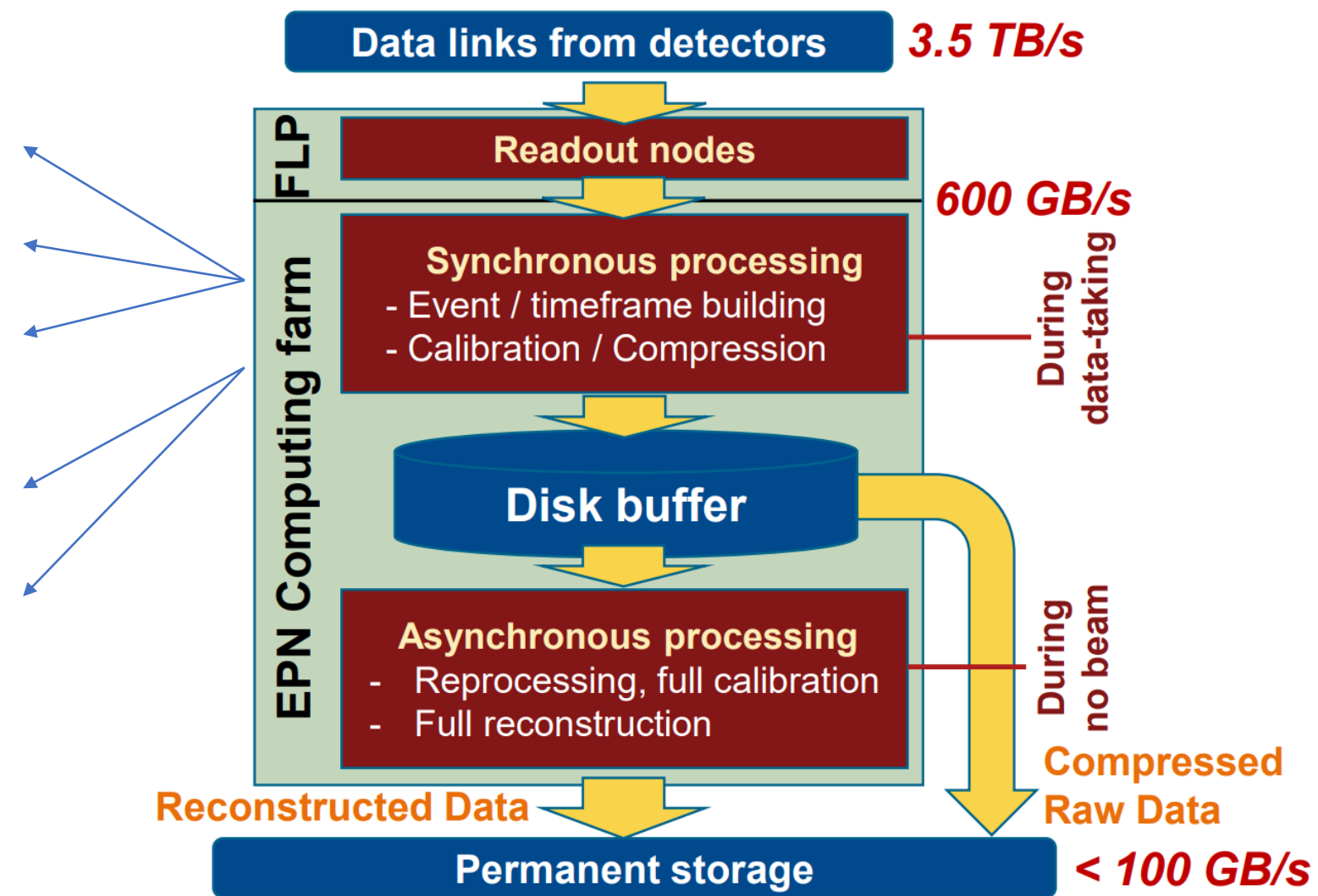


Online calibrations

Can we avoid the loop?

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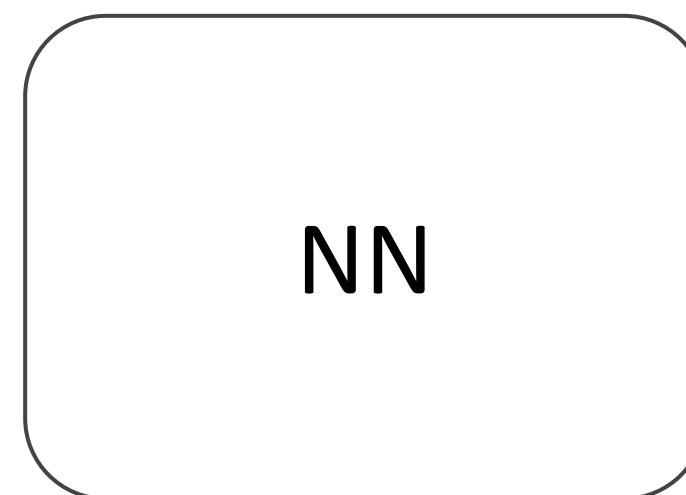
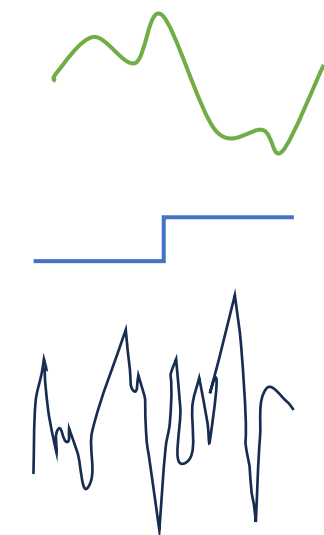
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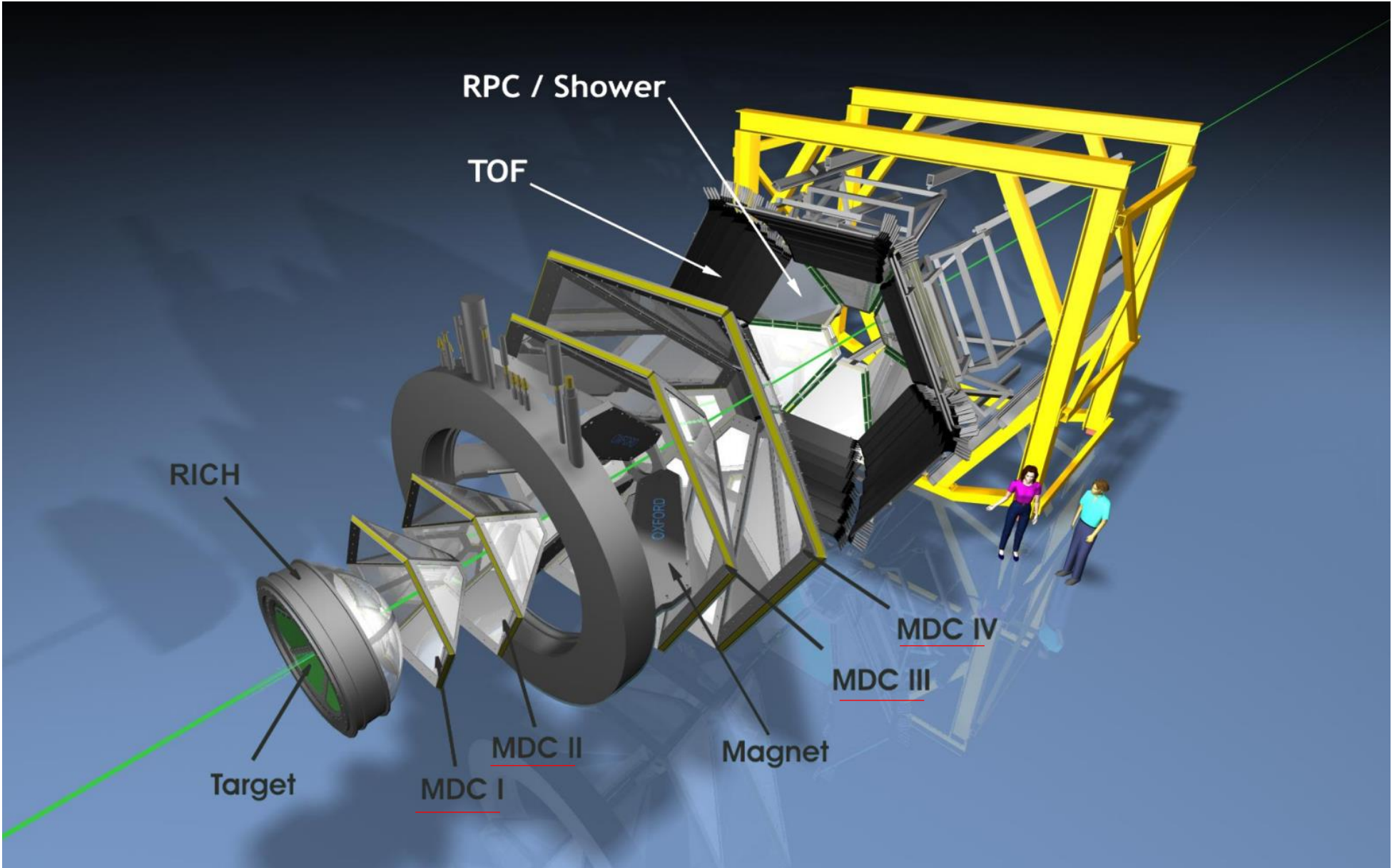
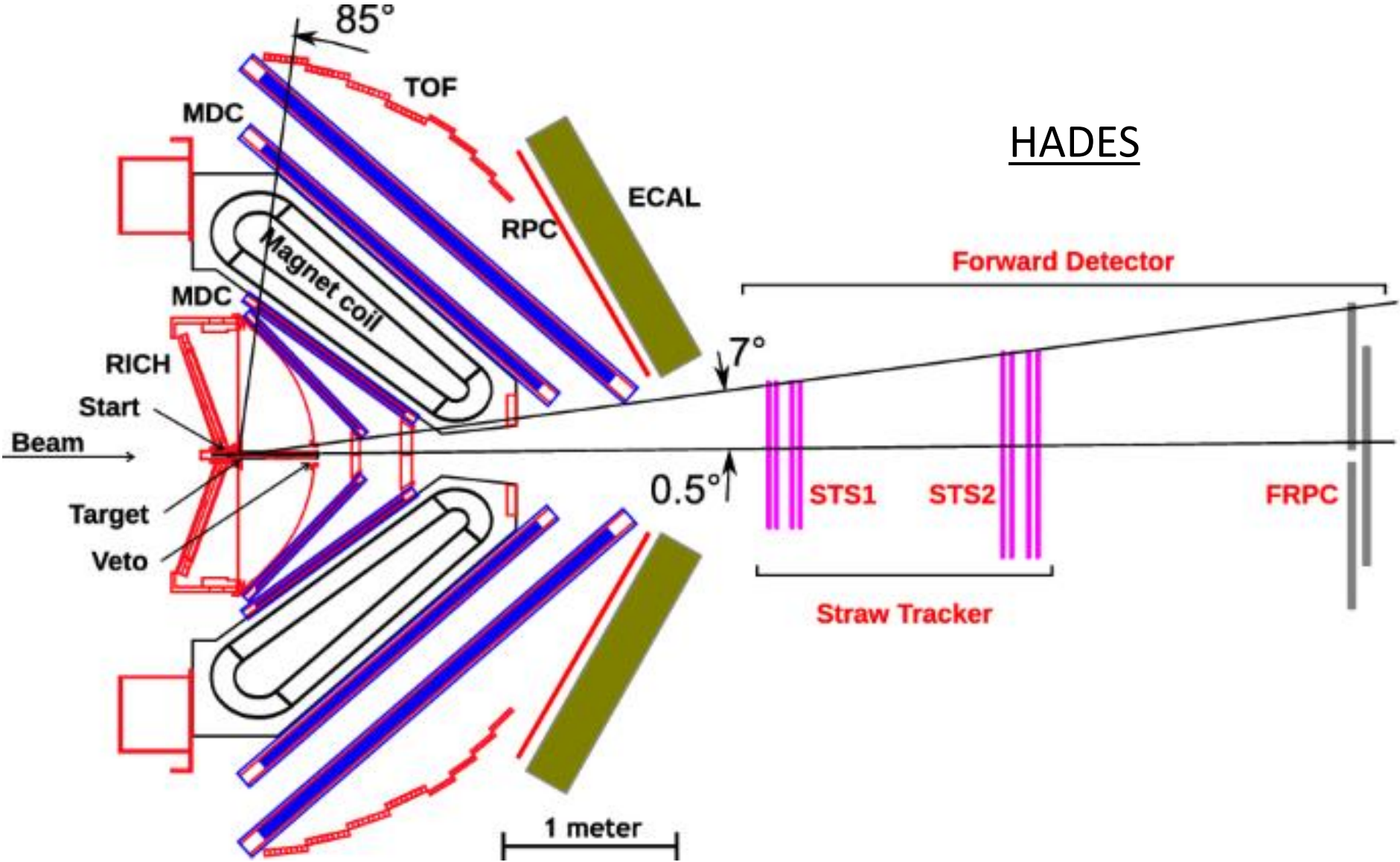
- Environment (P, T)
- Settings (V, beam)
- Trigger rates



- Calibration factors
- Recommended settings (HV)
- Anomaly detection

# HADES experiment

- FAIR Phase Zero experiment;
- Currently running with regular data taking (every 1-2 years);
- Developed infrastructure;



4 planes x 6 sectors of MDC = 24 chambers

## MDC – mini drift chambers

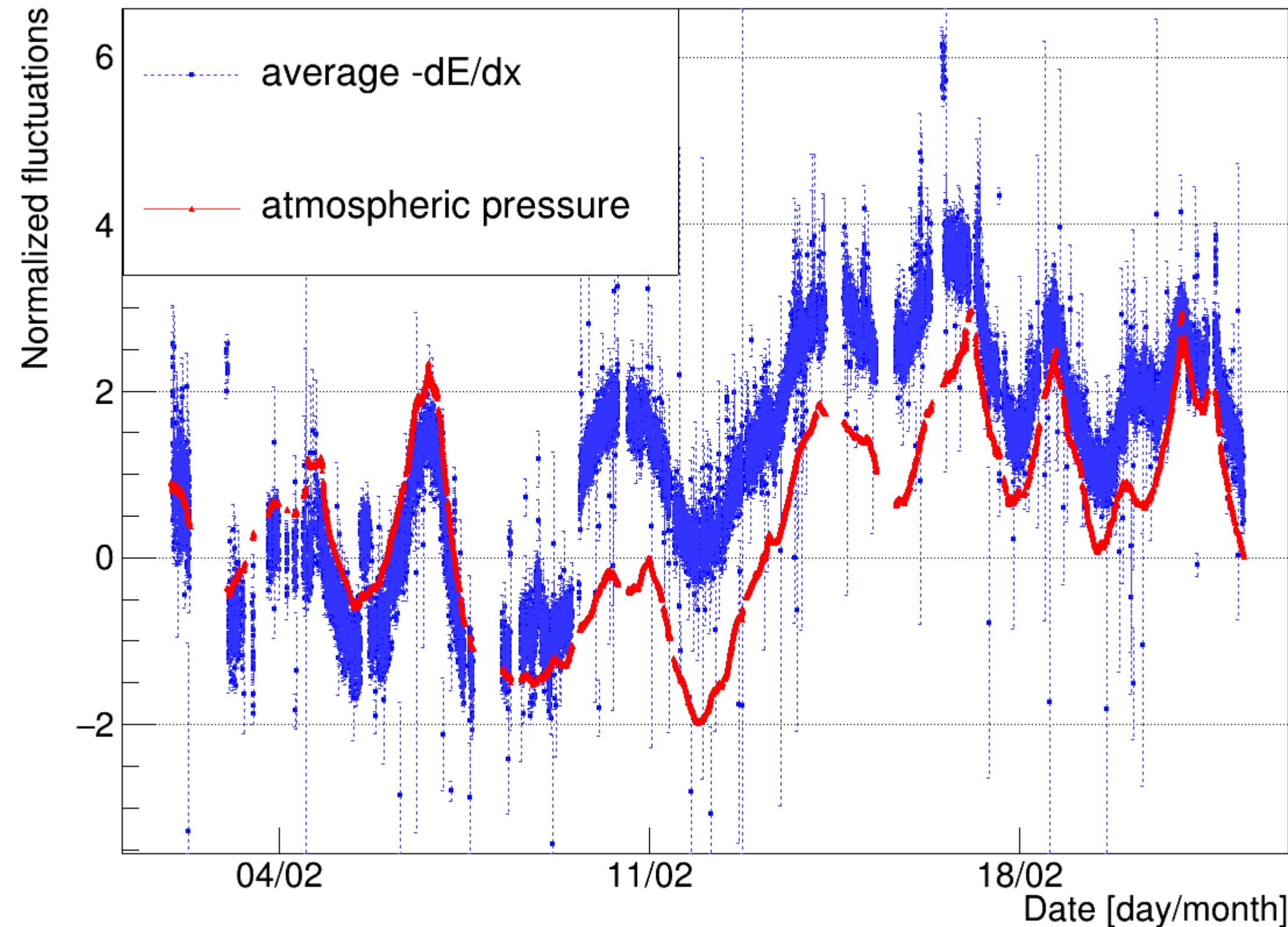
Possible values to predict:

- Drift time (~"measured" distance) – used for track reconstruction.
- Chamber gain (~"measured"  $dE/dx$ ). – used for PID

# Ionization losses in drift chambers

## Reasons to test on MDC:

- Significant fluctuations (5-10%);
- Clear dependence on environmental parameters;
- Environmental parameters are measured and stored.



## Input parameters:

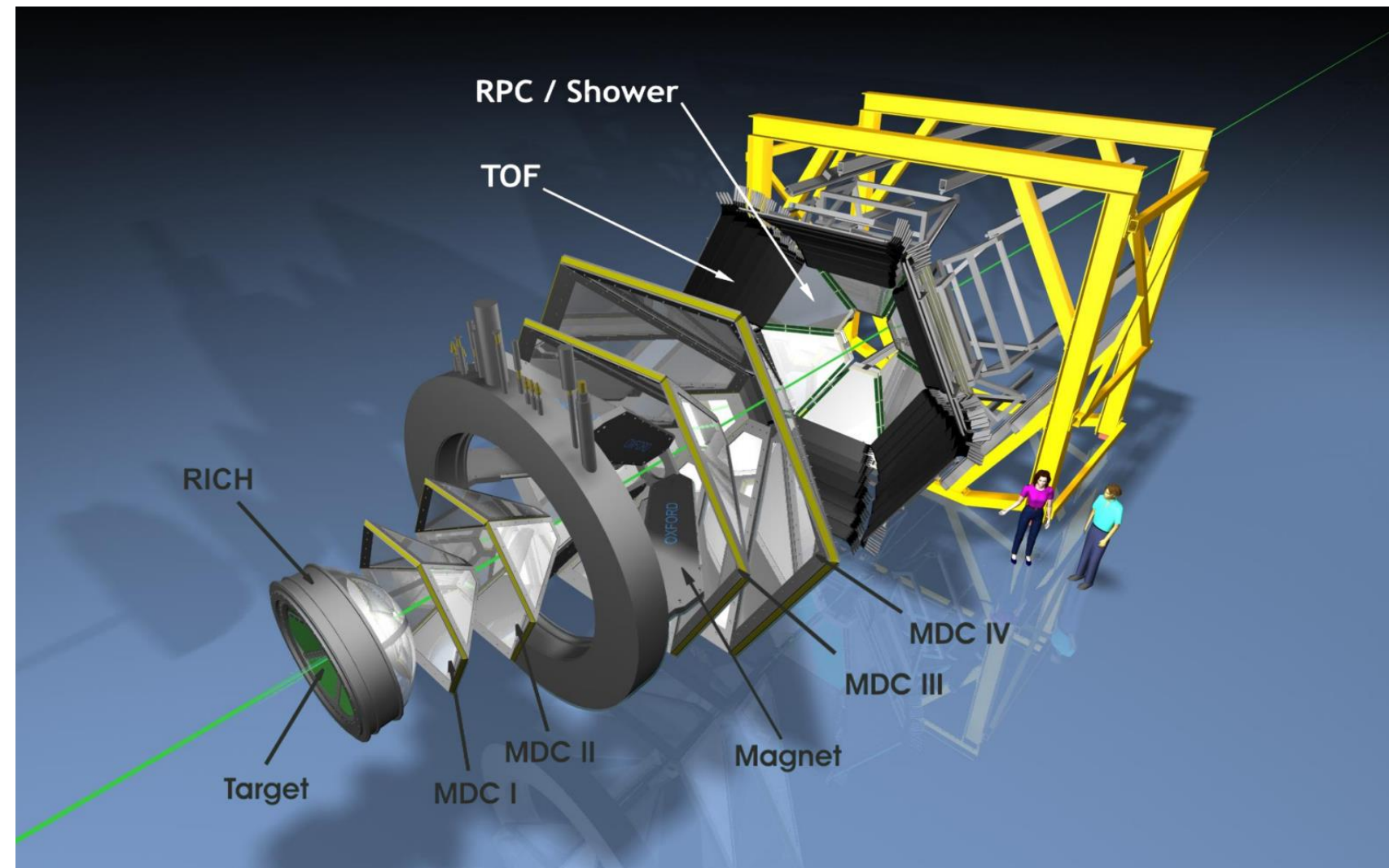
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- CO<sub>2</sub> concentration;
- Overpressure;
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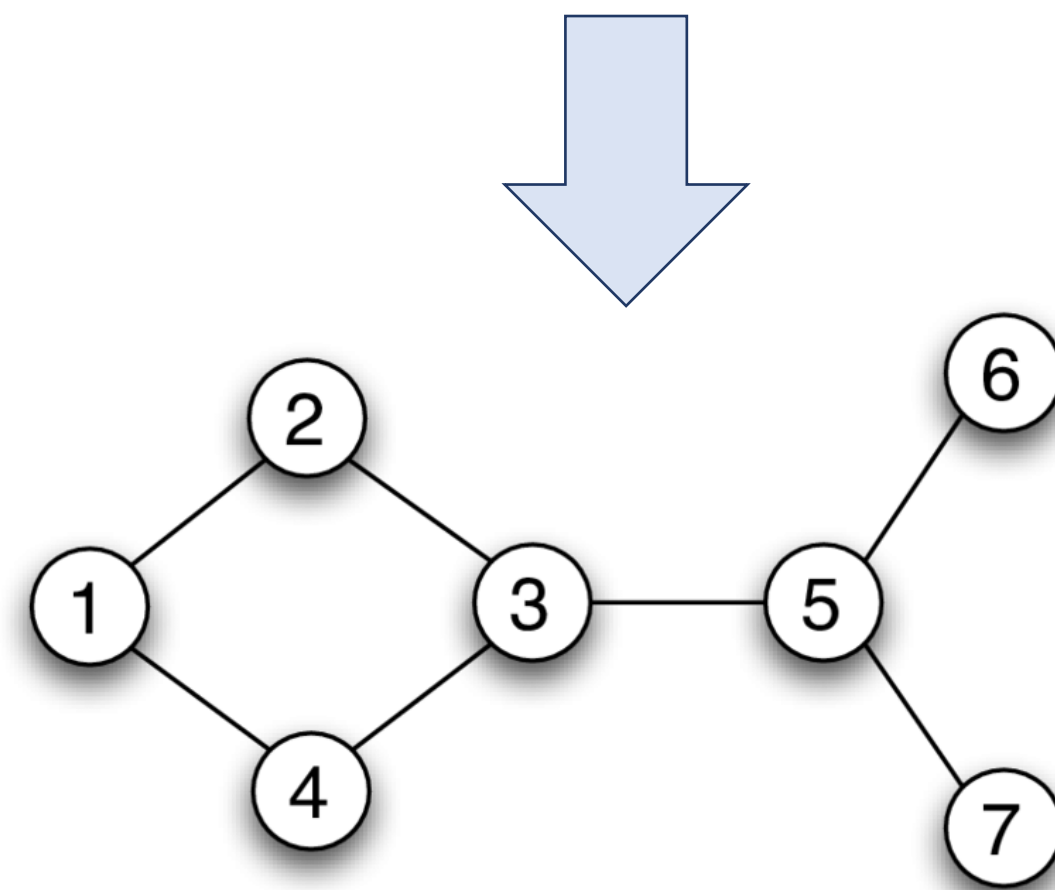
Smooth change with time (~15 min).

# Multi-channel prediction



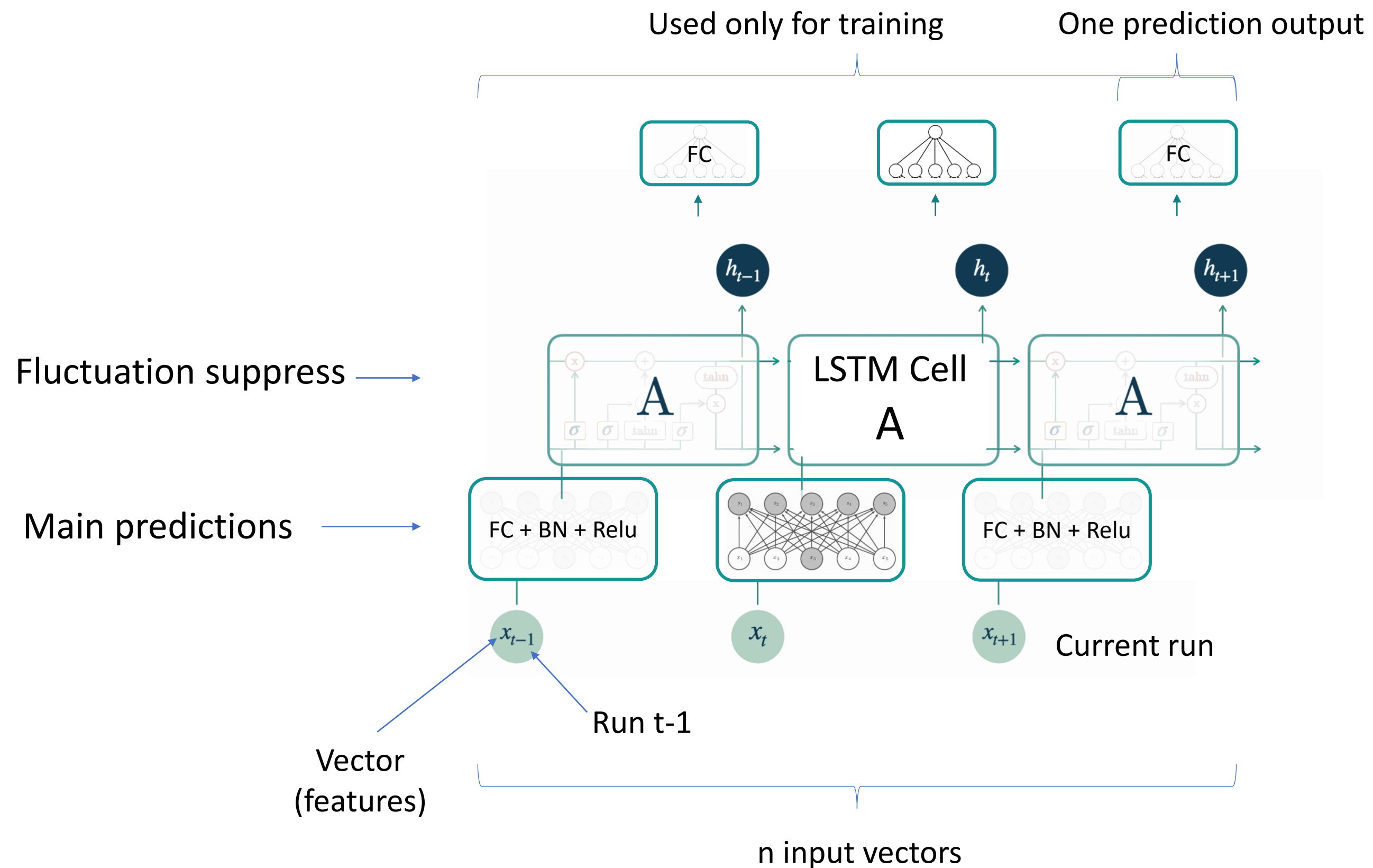
→ Represent detector as a graph  
(4 planes **X** 6 sectors)

→ Utilize similarities by convolutions.



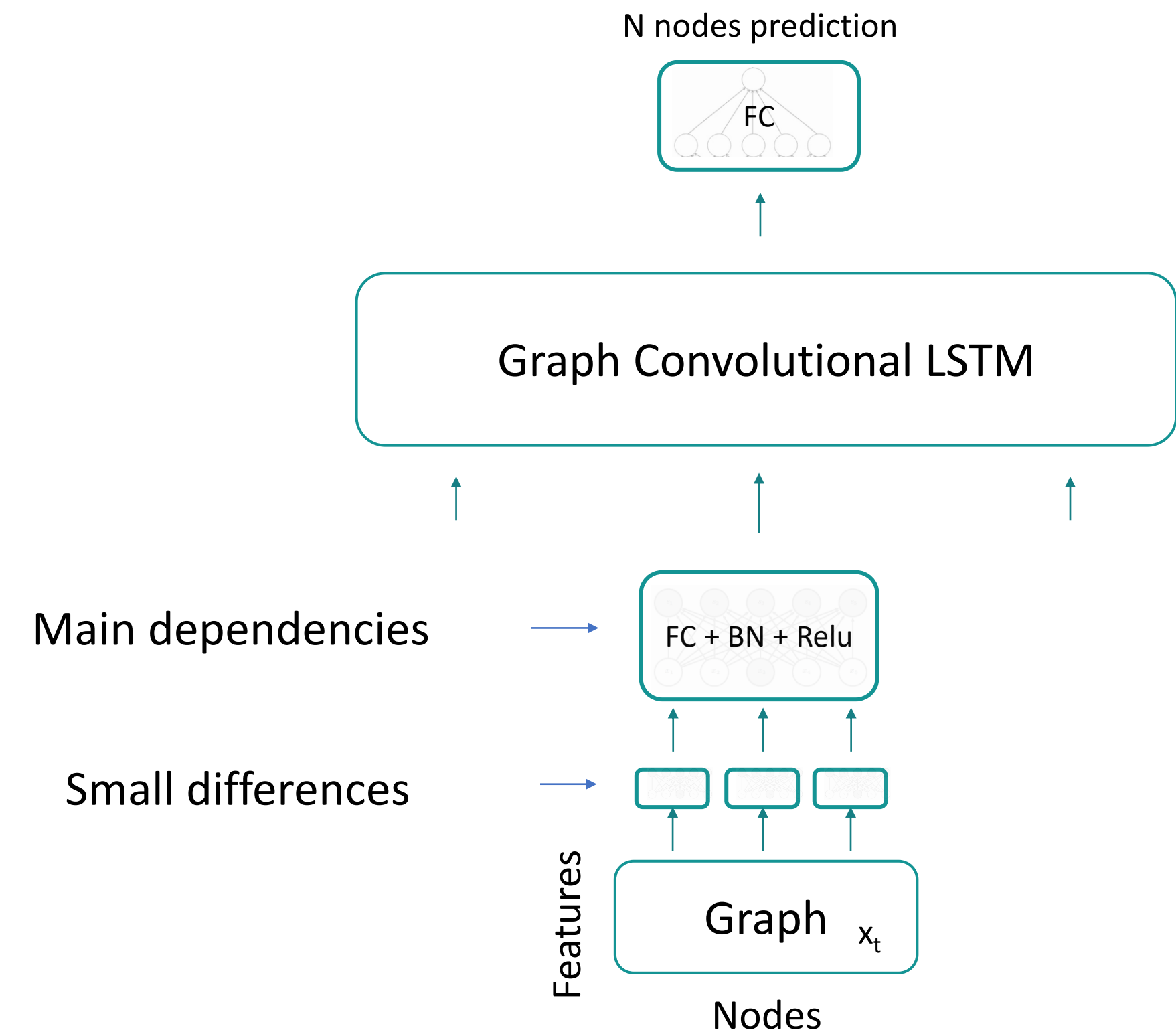
# Neural network architecture

## Single parameter prediction



**Smoothness of the environment change**

## Multi-channel prediction



**Similar behavior between channels**



# Prediction time consumption

Source	Depends on	Time
NN Computation speed	NN propagation $O(N_{nodes})$	$50 \pm 10 \text{ ms}$ (24 nodes)
Database readout from GSI network	$\sim(N_{nodes})$	$1 \pm 0.1 \text{ s}$ (24 nodes)
Standard run duration (1 data point)	-	1 – 2 <i>min</i>
Environmental parameter stability interval	-	$\sim 15 \text{ min}$
NN initial training	$O(N_{epochs} * N_{nodes} * N_{runs}) + \text{Init}$	$\sim 30 \text{ min}$ (150 epochs, 24 nodes, $10^3$ runs)
NN retraining	$O(N_{epochs} * N_{nodes} * N_{runs}) + \text{Init}$	$\sim 1 \text{ min}$ (50 epochs, 24 nodes, $10^2$ runs)

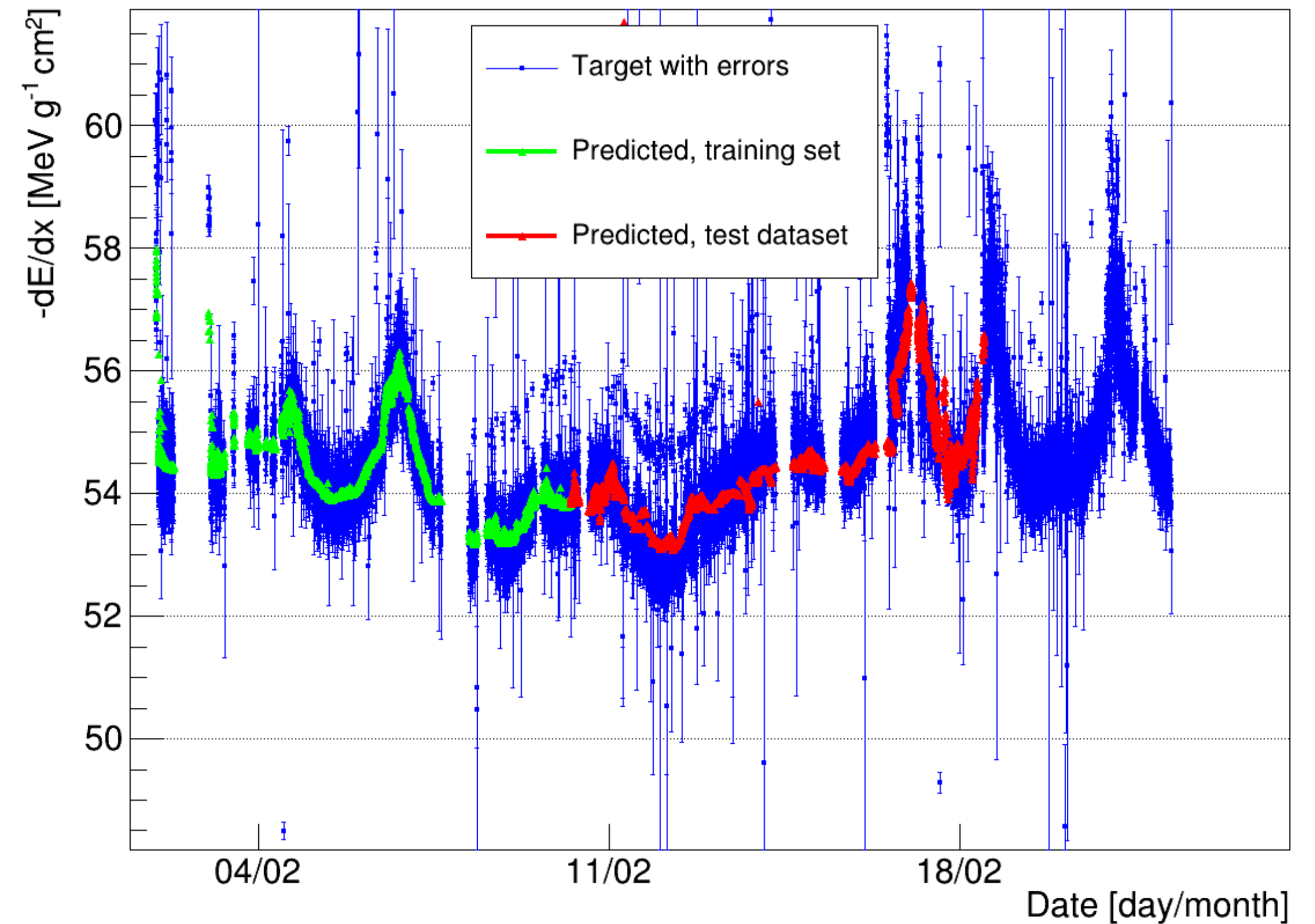
# Prediction quality

Simulating new beamtime:

1. **Get** average  $dE/dx$  from offline calibration in feb22 data;
2. **Train** on the part of data, fix most of the parameters after;
3. **Predict** with added regularization and a regular retraining.

Significant room for improvements:

1. No temperature information stored;
2. Target offline calibration is unstable.



# Particle identification for HADES

We have all parameters calibrated online → reconstruction → identification → triggering

Input parameters

- Momentum
- Charge
- Theta
- $dE/dx_{MDC}$
- $dE/dx_{TOF}$
- ToF
- Distmeta
- Beta
- Metamatch
- $Mass^2$

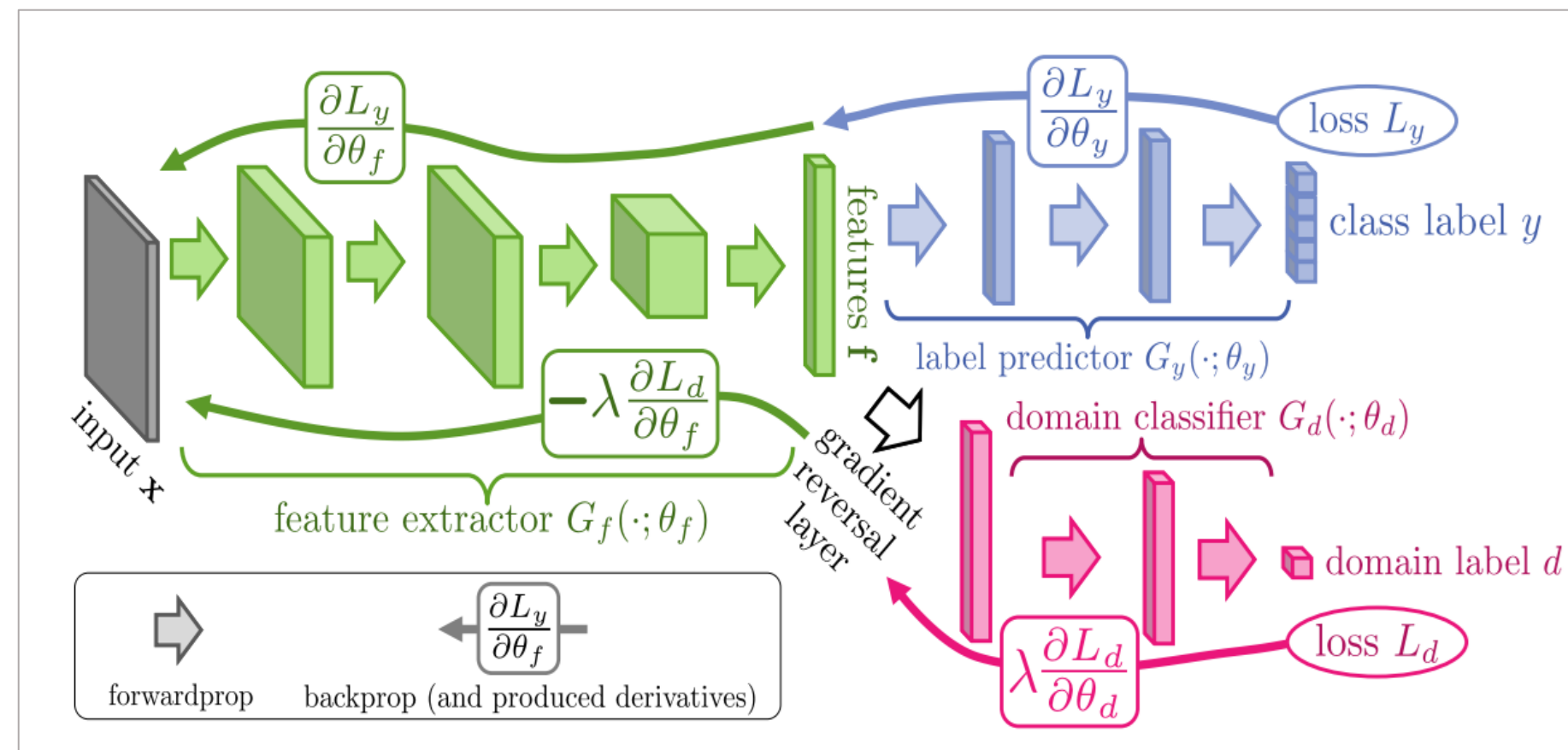


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Predicted probabilities

- $P_p$
- $P_{\pi^+}$
- $P_{\pi^-}$
- $P_{K^+}$
- $P_{K^-}$

- Uses all available information simultaneously, allowing for better precision and efficiency (“merge”)
- Operates with probabilities, allowing for flexible classification (change only one parameter to tune)

# Summary & Outlook

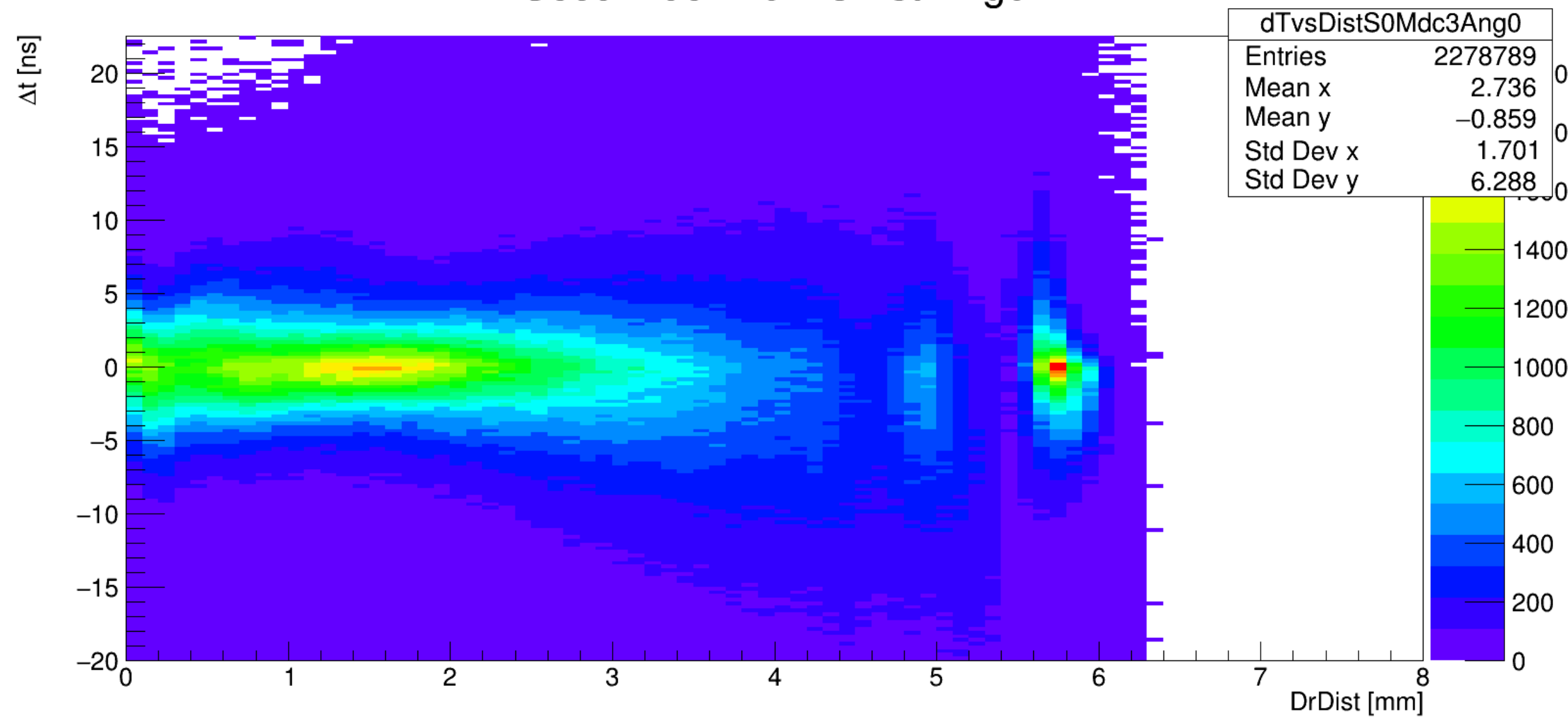
1. NNs can provide fast (<1s) calibrations with accuracy, compatible with usual methods.
2. Synchronous processing can benefit from ML techniques at almost all stages, giving faster and/or better results.

- Improvements in the offline dE/dx calibration.
- Test on the MDC time-distance calibration.
- Fine-tuning for real applications.
- Test of HV predictions (slow control).

Backup

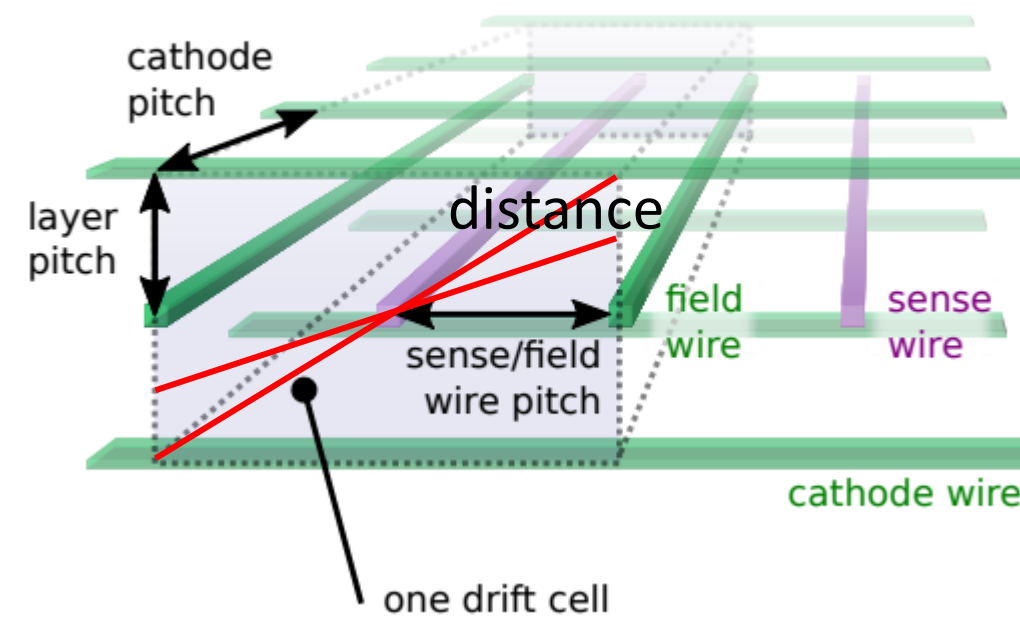
# Overview of different calibrations

Sec0 Mdc III dTvsDist Ang0

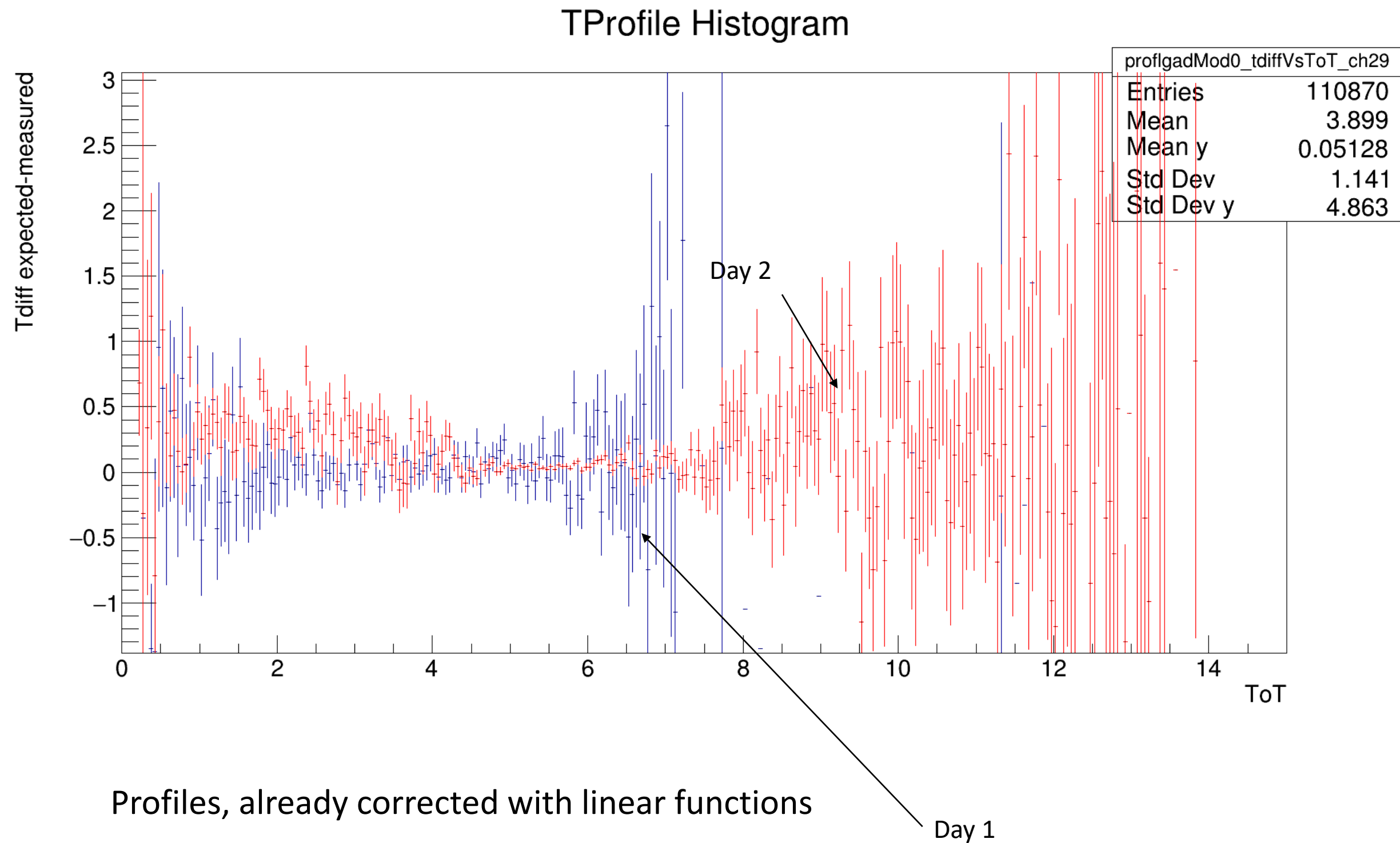


- Drift time – distance. Electronics (offset, tdc etc) and drift velocity. Calibrated initially with Garfield, after that iteratively corrected with data.
- Stored as a table sector, module, angle, distance – drift time.

Can be possible to calibrate with NN if one reduces this to few parameters: module-sector as nodes, angles as input parameter. Target as parameters of fitting function. Or just both of angle and distance as input parameters and then fill the table with them.



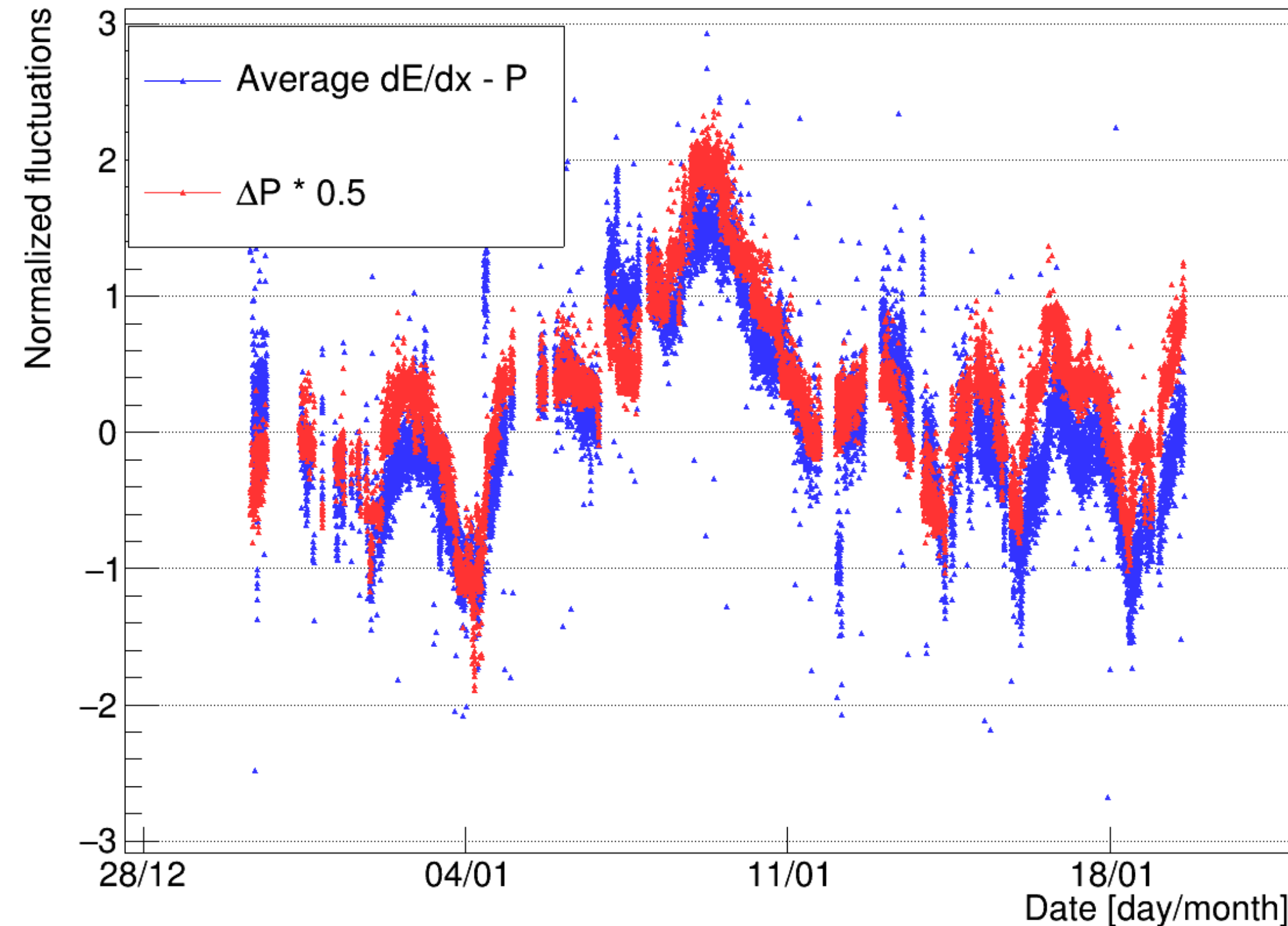
# Overview of different calibrations



- T0 LGAD. Reconstruct events, calculate expected T0 from other ToF detectors. Correction of time-walk with a linear function of a profile, which appears from the fits in each bin.
- Problems for existing hades are at low values, where statistics is low and has nonlinearities in time-walk. Too low statistics to make it even as a target – bad application of NN

# Ionization losses in drift chambers

Target - atmospheric pressure vs overpressure



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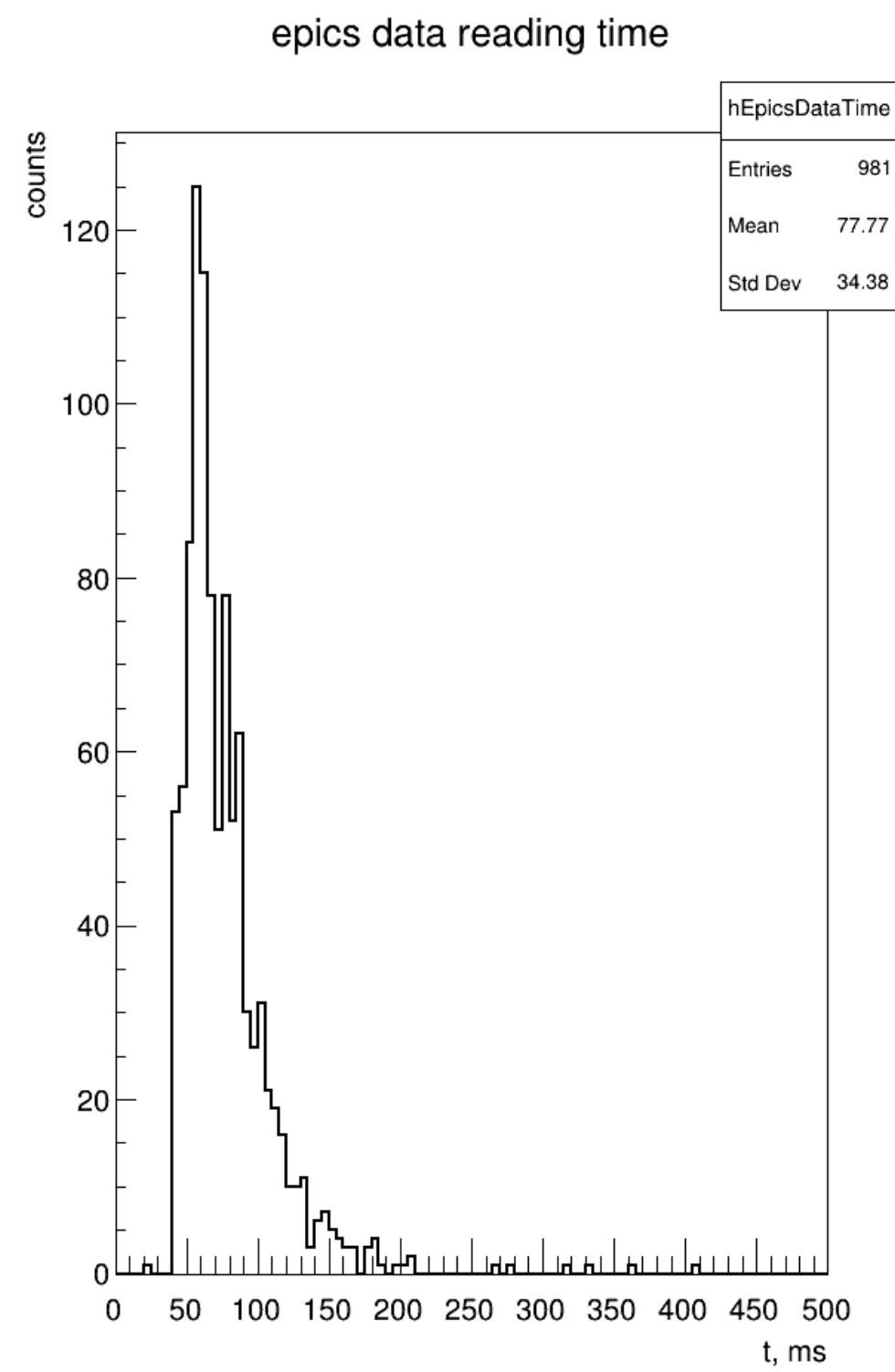
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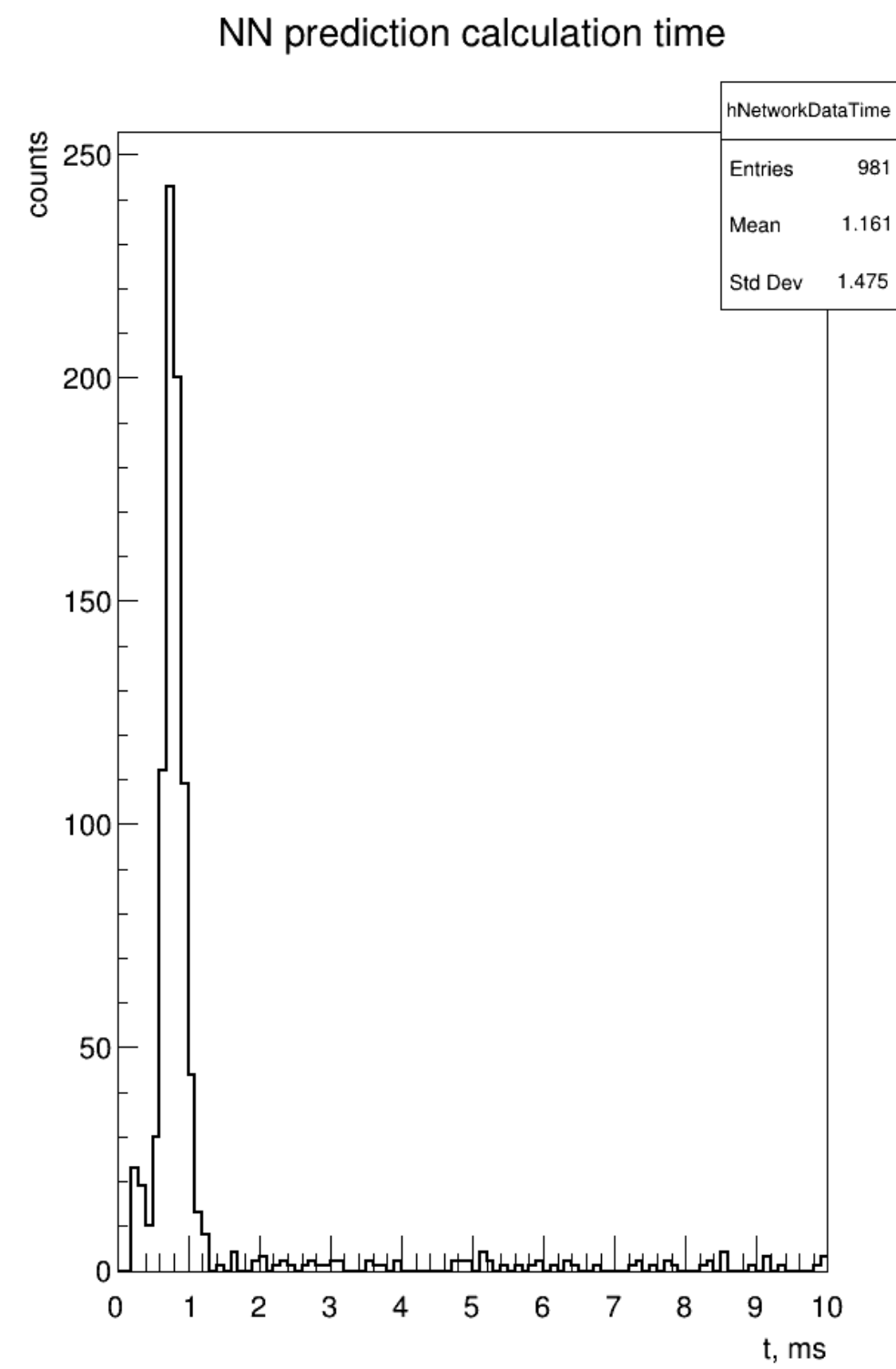
# Prediction time consumption

Single parameter, simple network

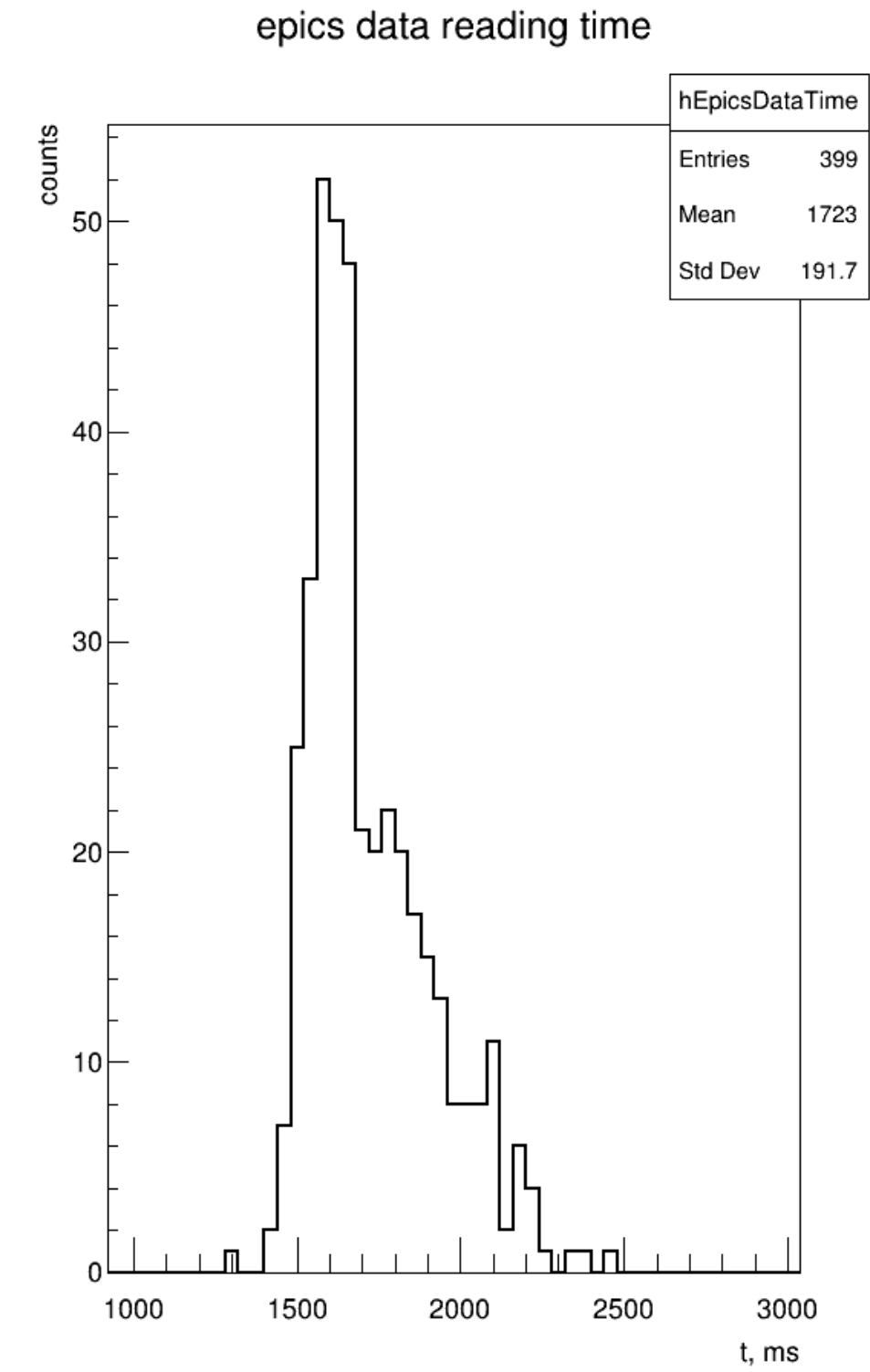
24 parameters, GConv



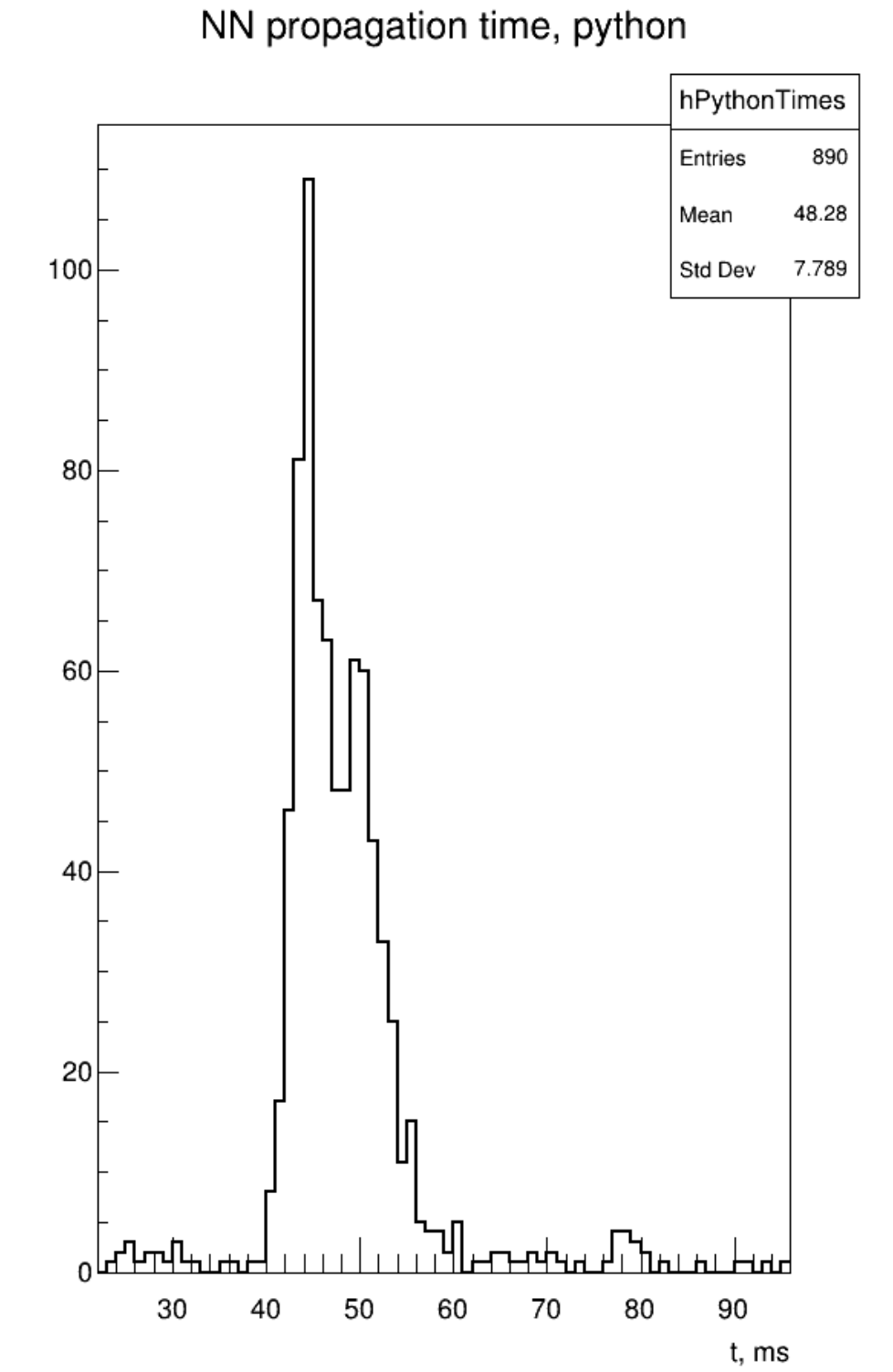
From GSI network



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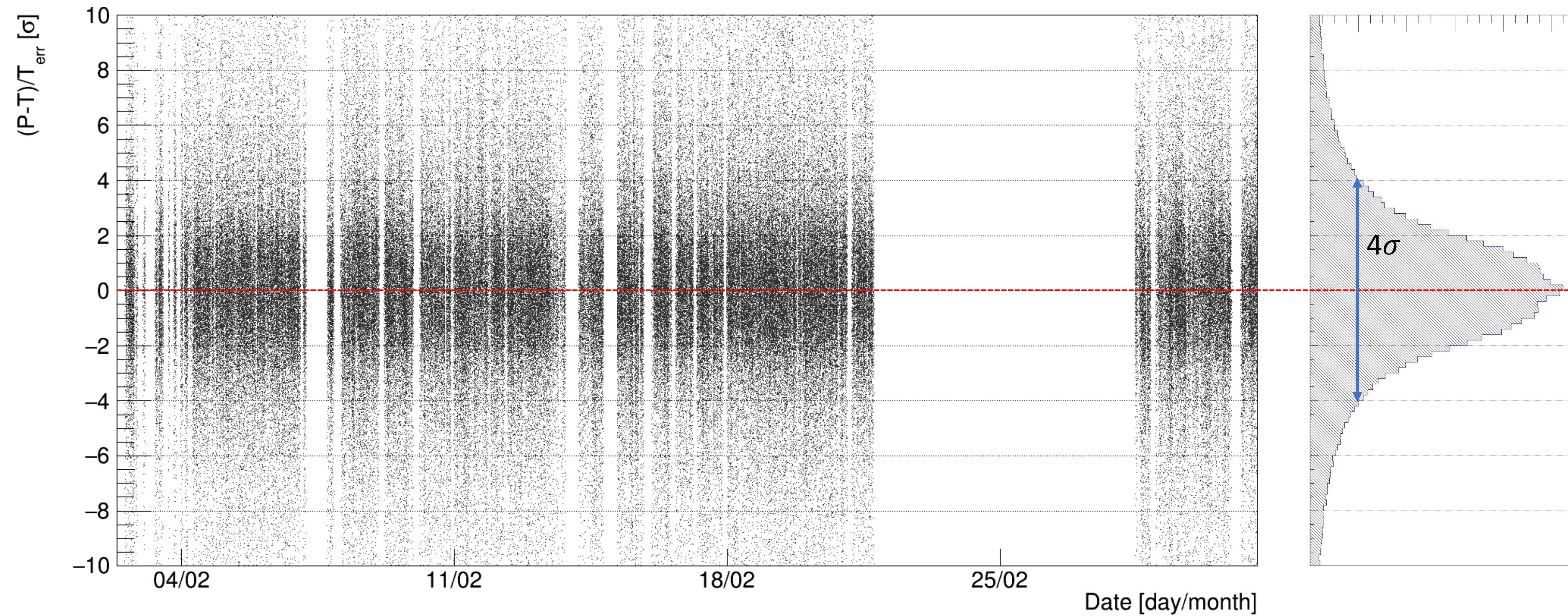
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# Prediction Accuracy (training part)

$\left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{prediction} - \left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{target}$  in terms of calibration error  $\sigma$



- Stable performance over the beam time.
- Compatible with target, the errors are underestimated.

# High voltage prediction $x_i$

(General) Training procedure if we have data with varied HV:

1. Train the model  $f$ . Fix parameters.
2. Train model  $G$  using  $|f(X_{i-1}x_i) - Y_c|$  as loss.

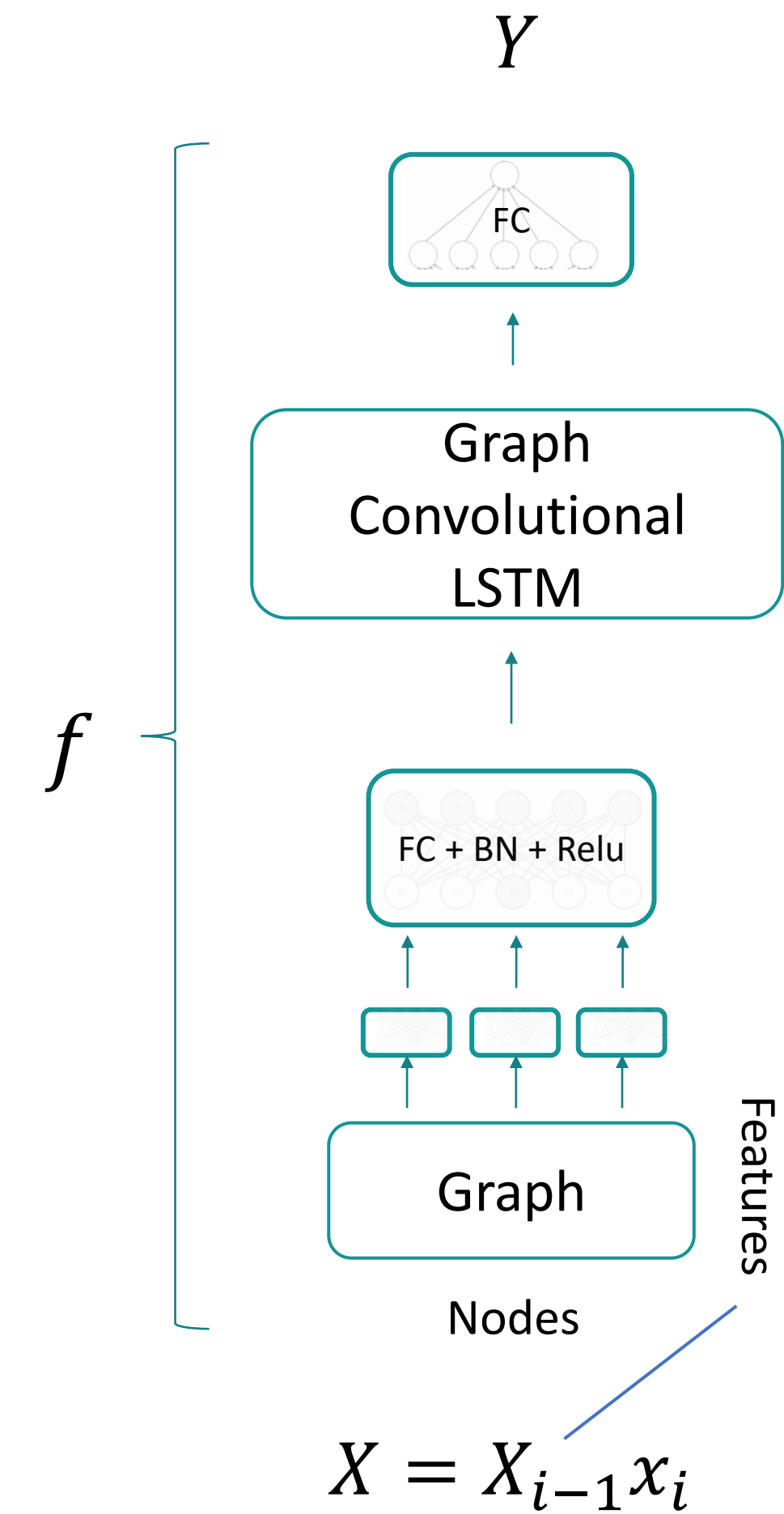
Sources of generating HV dataset:

1. Vary HV during cosmic runs.
2. Generate data with Garfield.

$$f(X) = Y$$

$$G(X_{i-1}|Y_c) = x_i$$

Multi-channel prediction



Statistics accumulation is possible this year! (~December)

# Software development

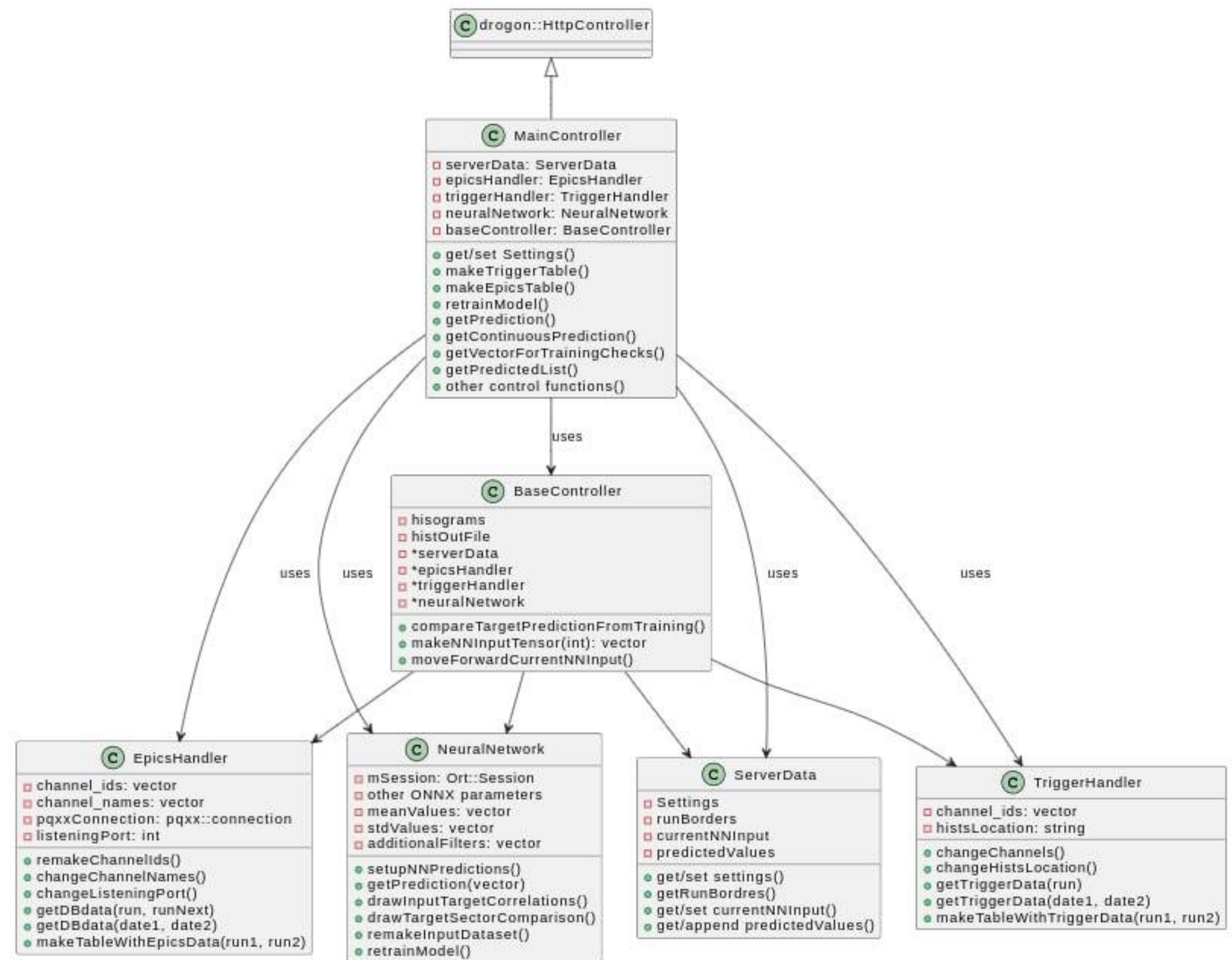
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## Features:

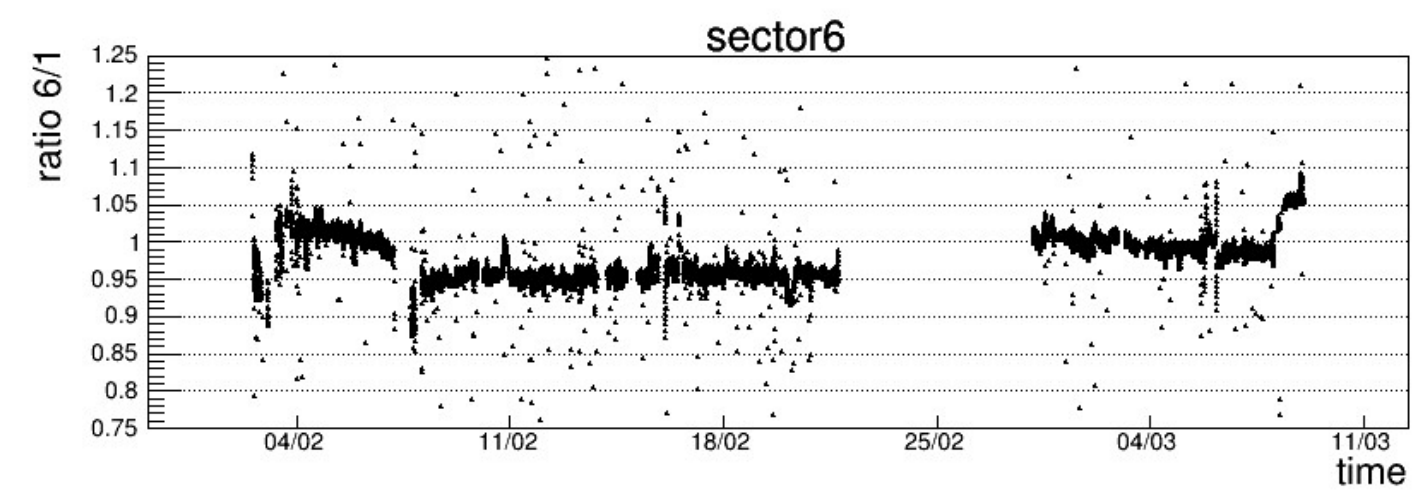
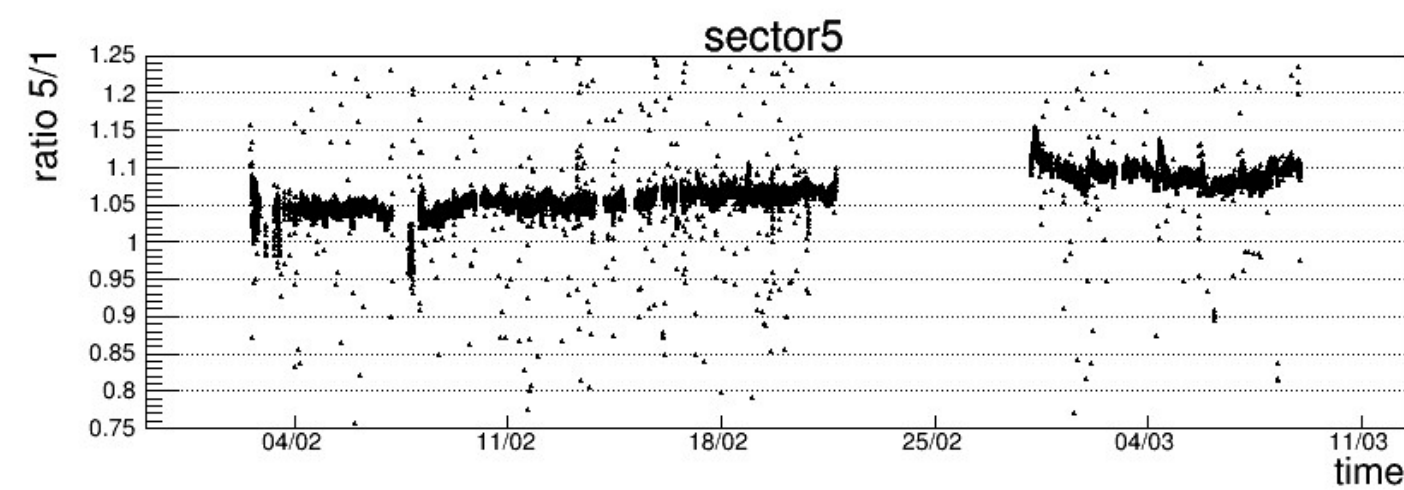
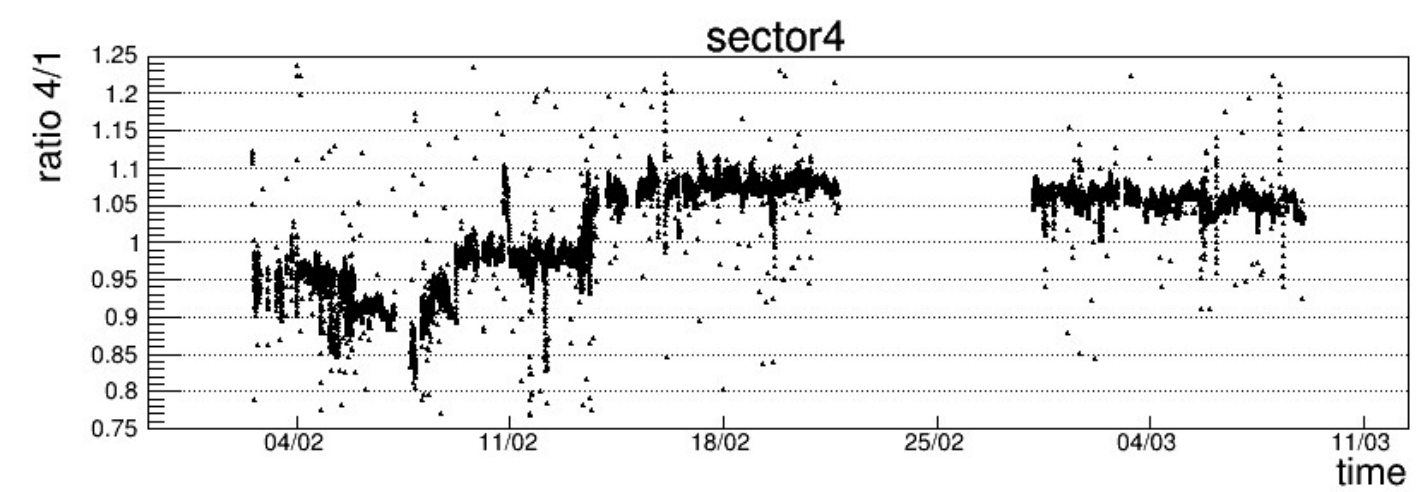
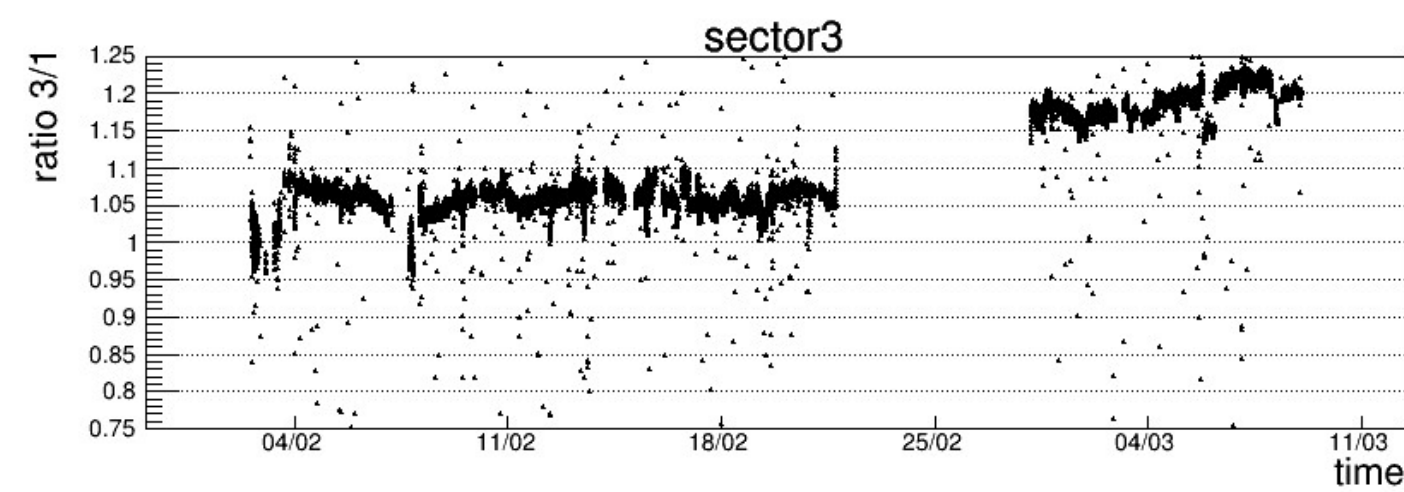
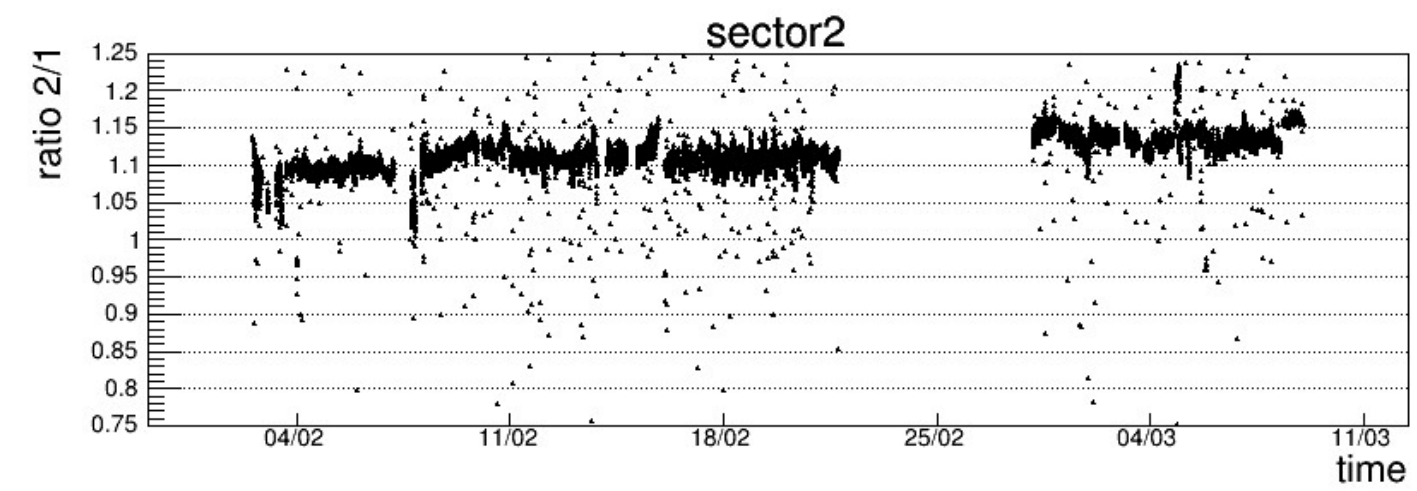
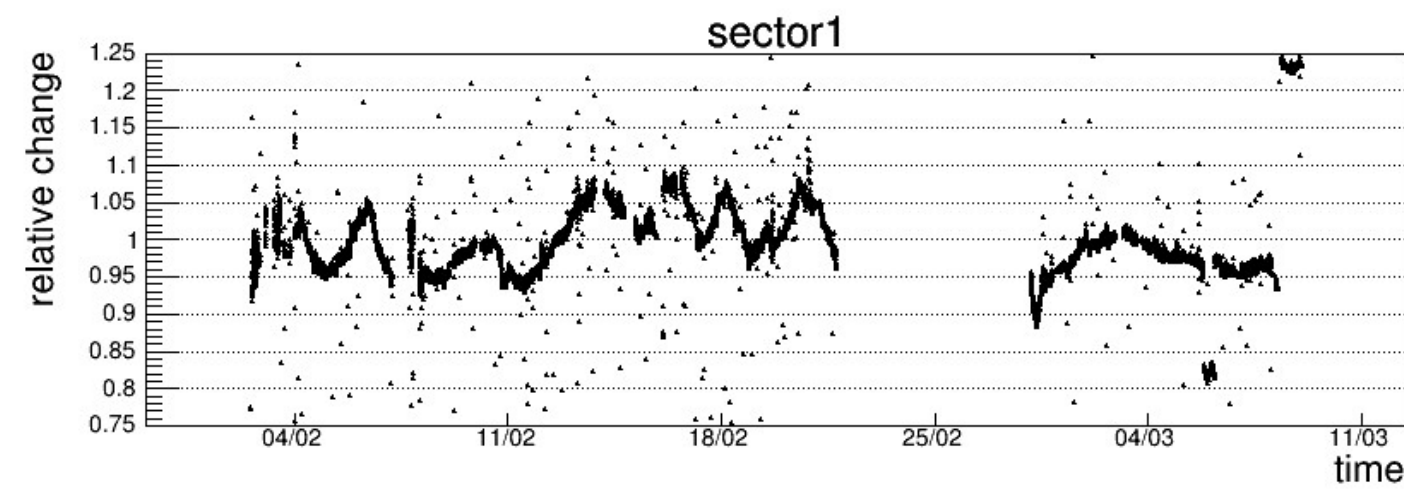
- Retraining with automated hyperparameter search.
- Automatic training set creation with given:
  - Epics channel names.
  - Trigger channel numbers and DQ files location.
  - List of runs, run borders or experimental files directory.
- Methods to save and change above settings + saves of NN data.
- Automated work with epics database:
  - connection,
  - conversation names-numbers,
  - handle missing data,
  - nn part of input on demand for run / list of runs.
- Automated work with trigger DQ files in the same way as for epics.
- Various methods to check training performance and correlations.

## Methods:

- Based on C++ and object-oriented programming paradigm.
- Epics db reading with SQL commands.
- Trigger data reading and graphics with ROOT CERN.
- NN training with pytorch in python and predictions in C++ with ONNX.
- Backend written in Drogon framework for C++.
- Frontend with react.js (little for now).



# Multi-channel prediction



- In general, MDC sectors behave similarly.
- Need to account for differences.
- Some input parameters are shared (Atm. pressure).

# Flexibility of pid

