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**a new GPU-based fast-MC code
and its applications
in proton beam therapy**

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Fast paRticle thErapy Dose evaluator

Collaboration



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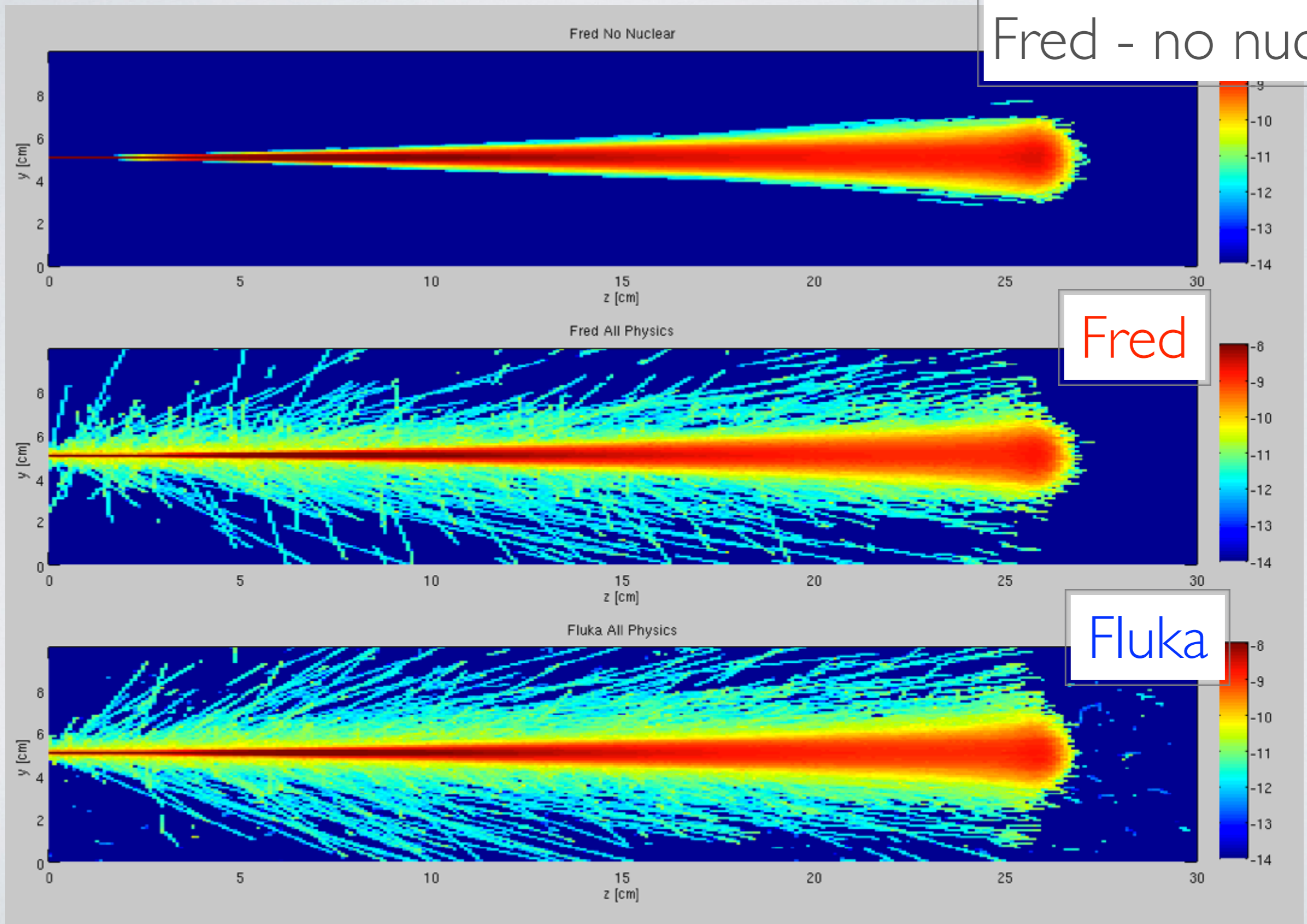


FRED fast-MC platform

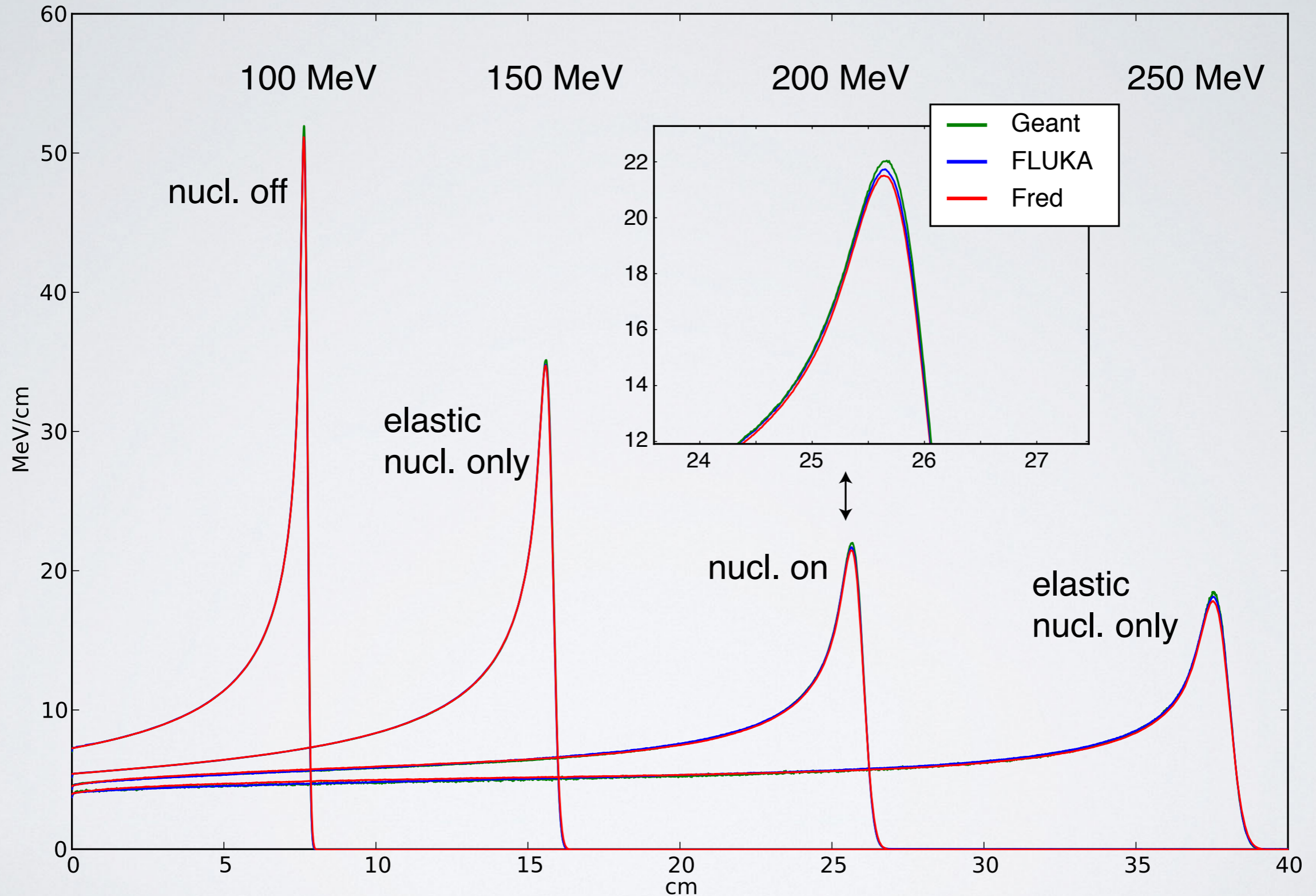
- MC for protons in voxel geometry
- Tabulated total stopping power in water (PSTAR-NIST), energy straggling (Gaussian and Landau-Vavilov regimes)
- MCS models: single-,double-,triple-gaussian, 2 gauss+Rutherford
- Nuclear interactions: elastic and inelastic; fragmentation; local deposition of heavy ions; tracking of secondary protons and deuterons
- HU to density conversion (Schneider) and stoppow calibration
- MC-TPS: dose optimization using DDO (Lomax)
- RBE models = fixed I.I, LETd-based (Wedenberg, Carabe, Wilkens, Chen), table-based (LEMI, MKMPIDE)

Dose map of a pencil beam

200 MeV protons
in liquid water

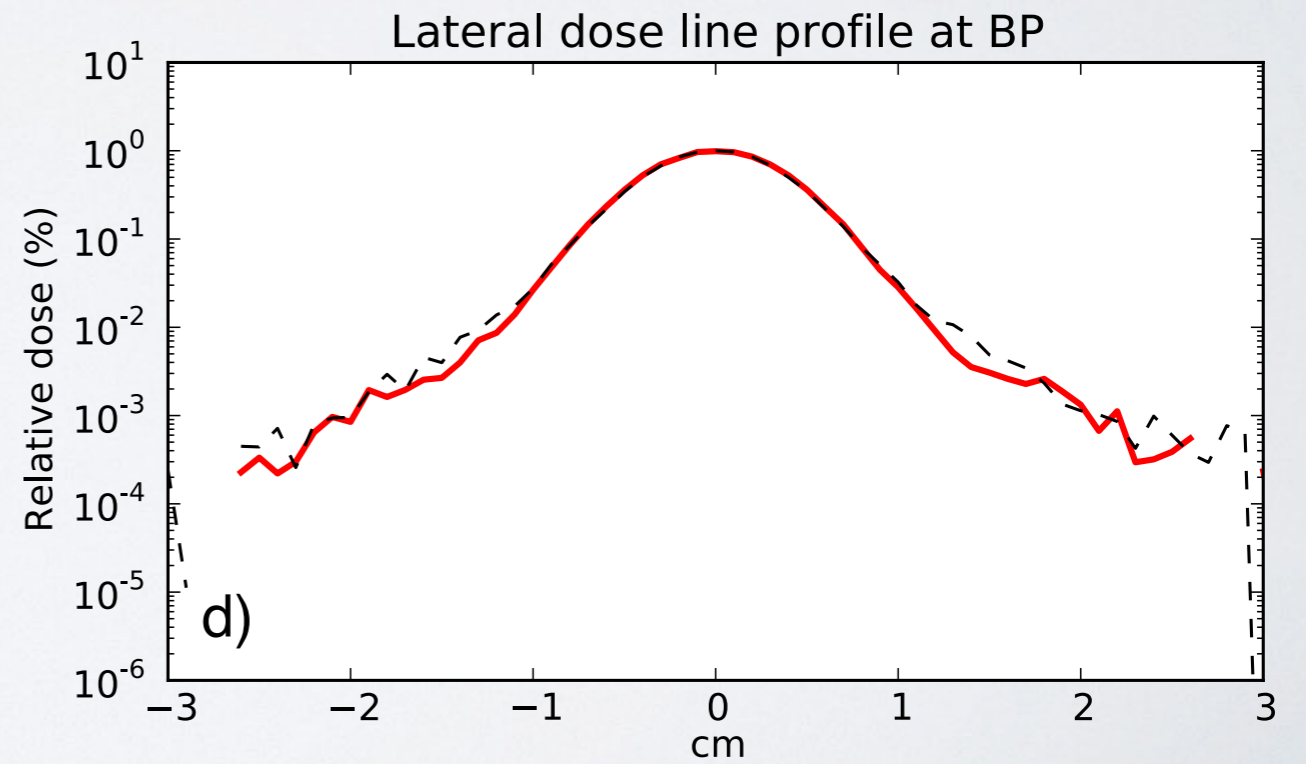
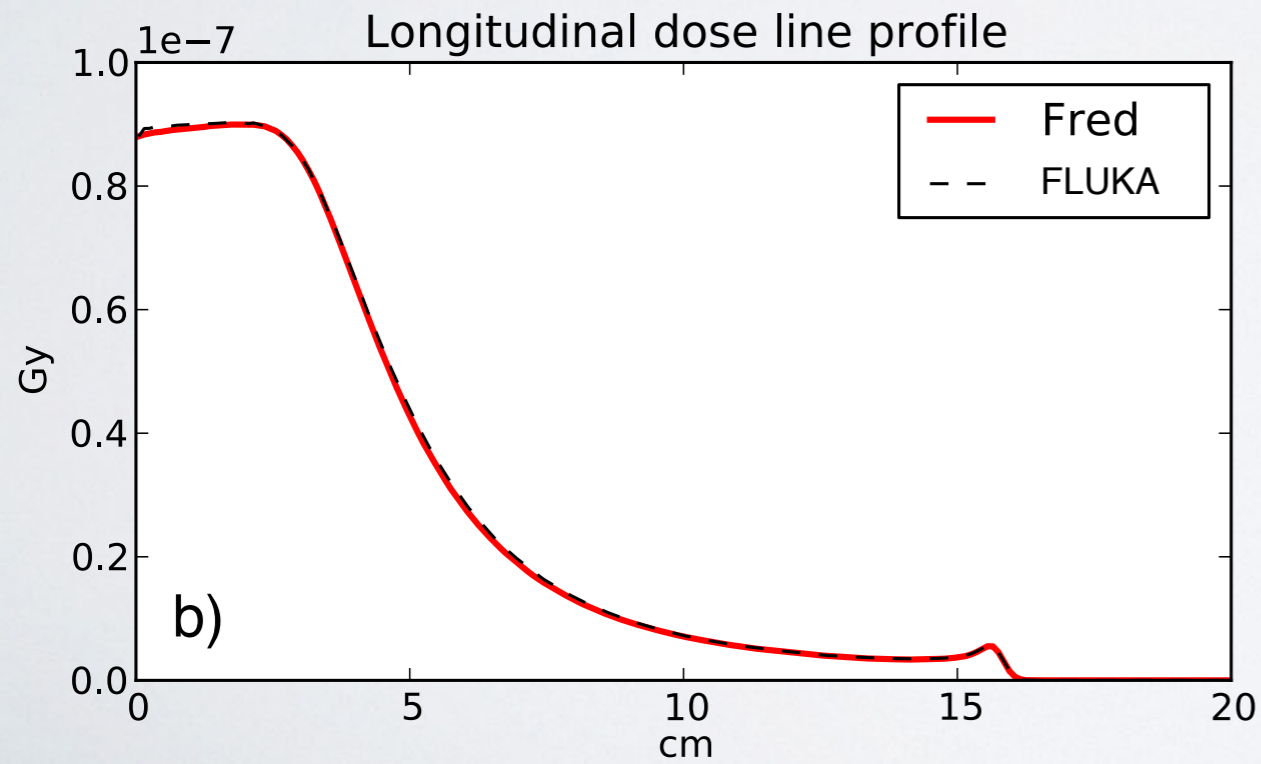
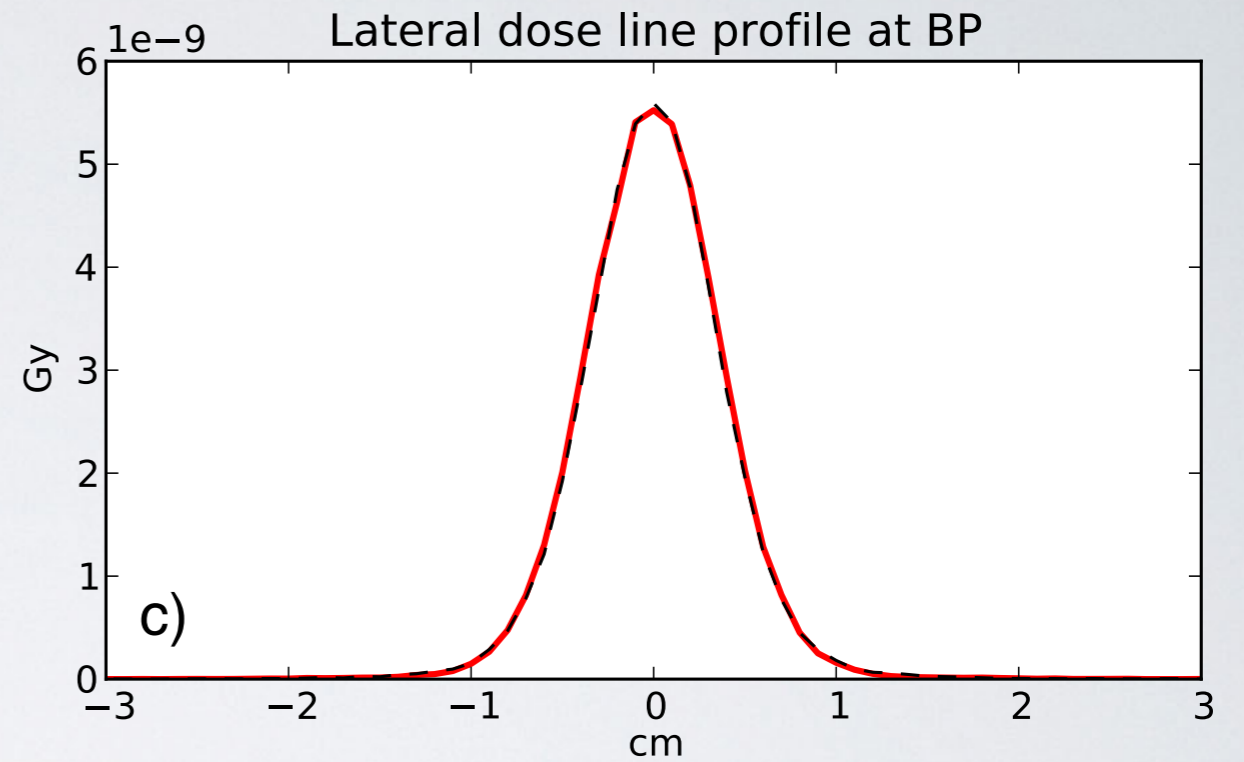
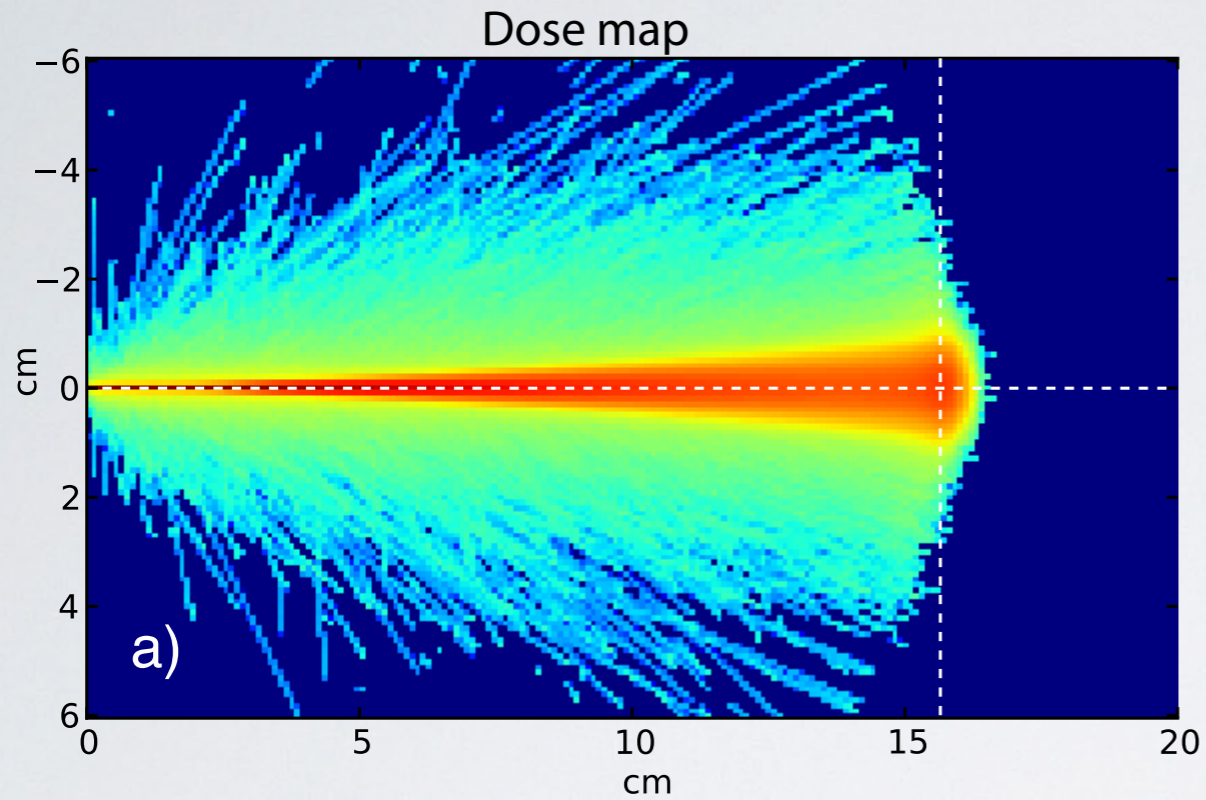


Water model: energy deposition

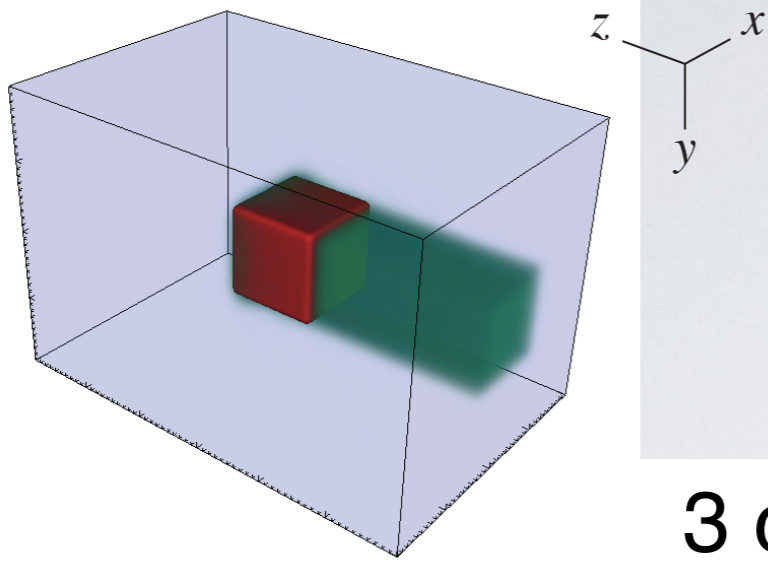


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Longitudinal profile and lateral tails

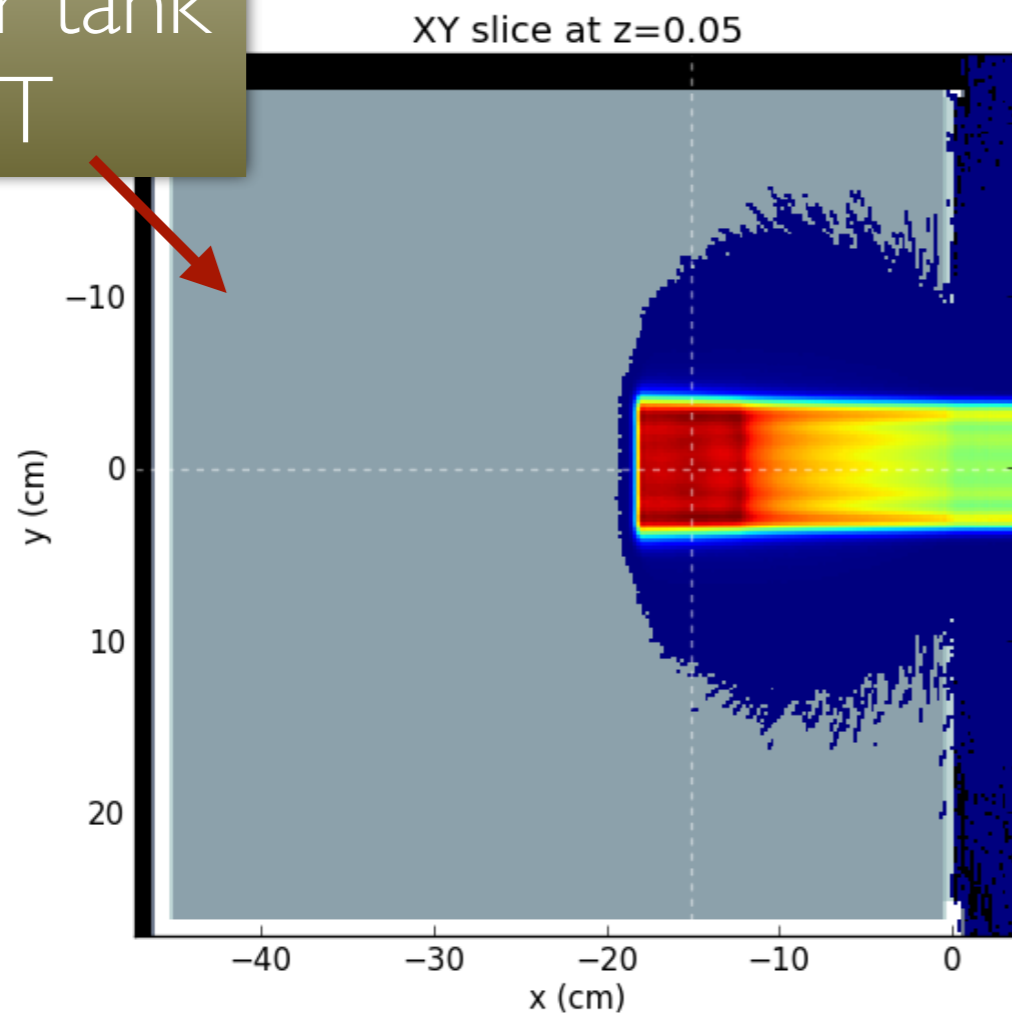


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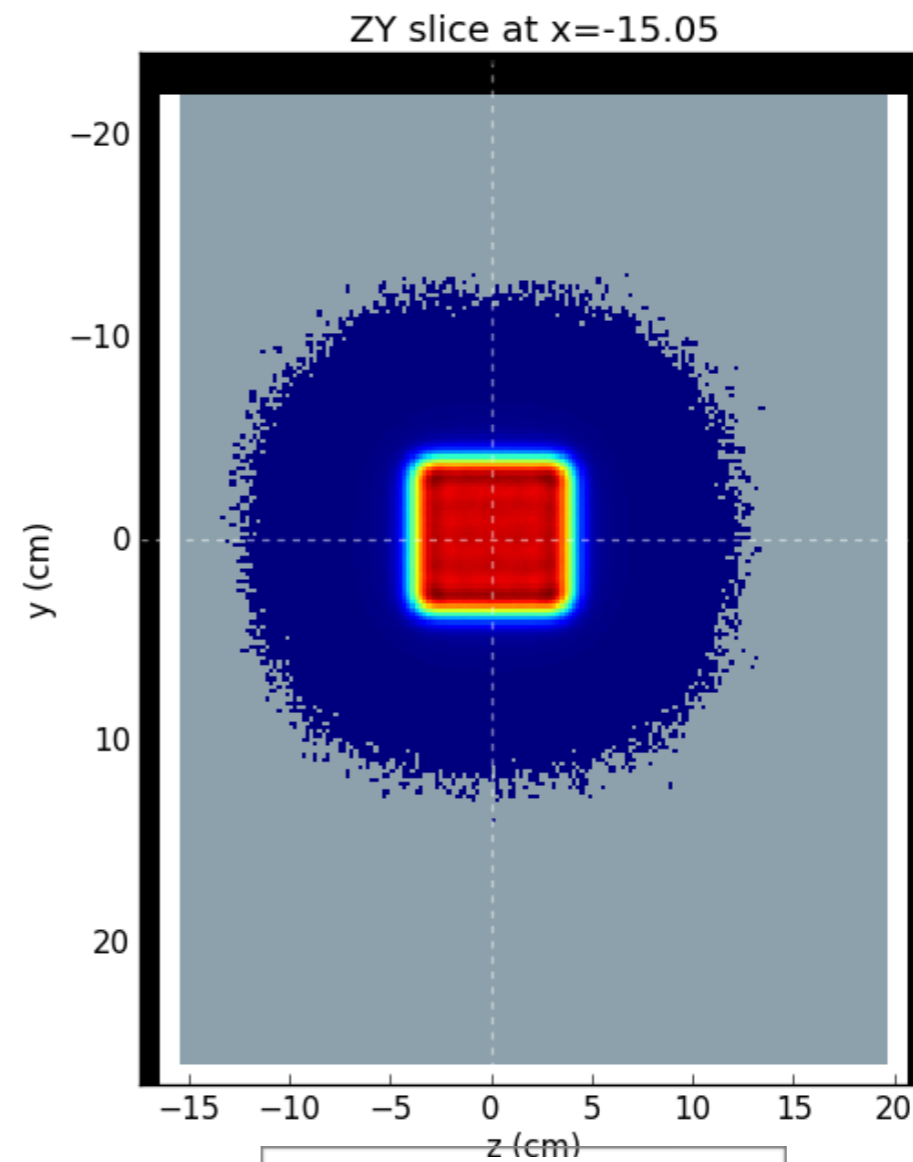


3 cm cube at 15 cm depth

Water tank
CT

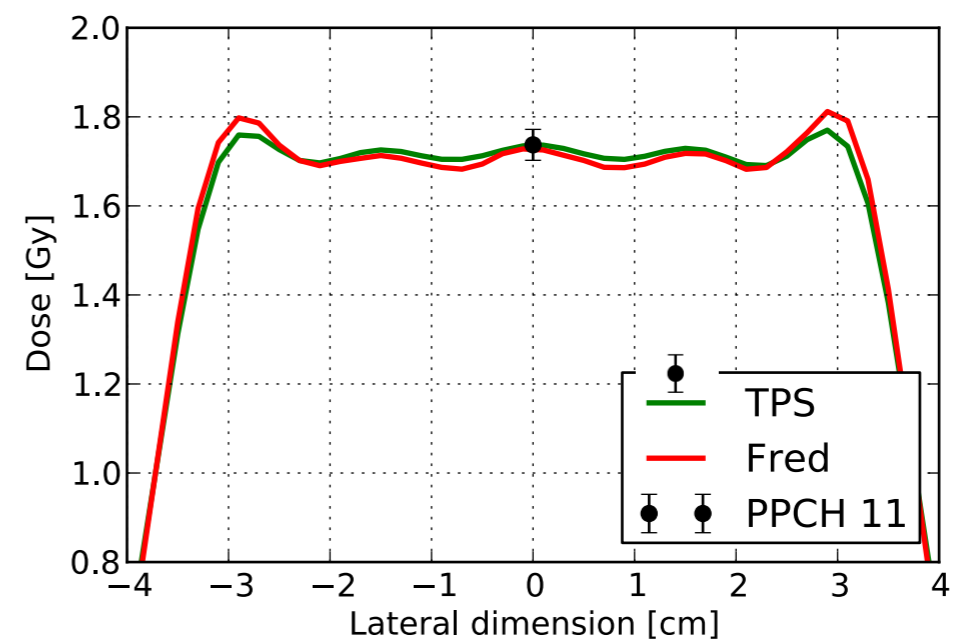
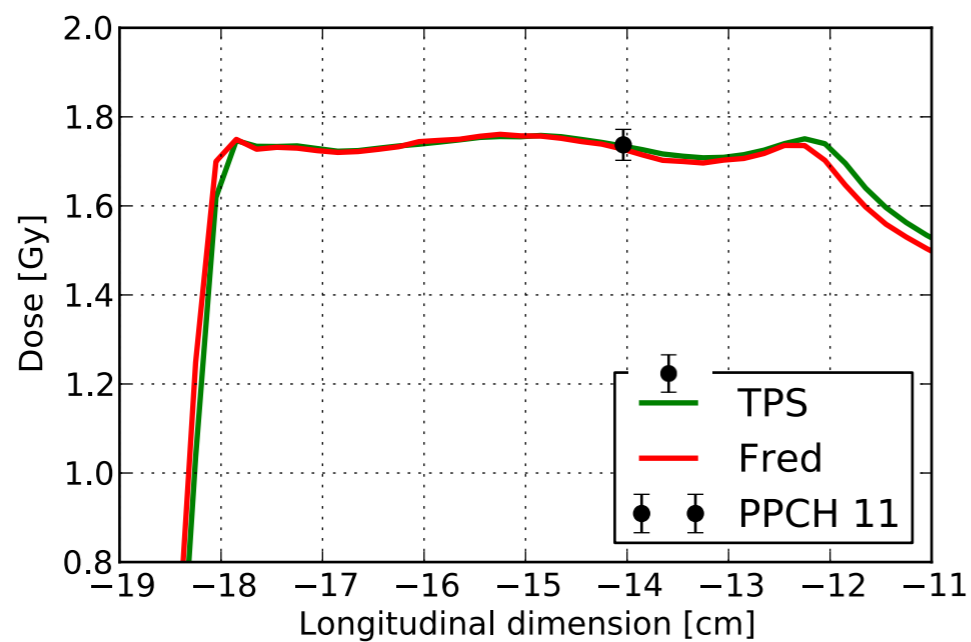
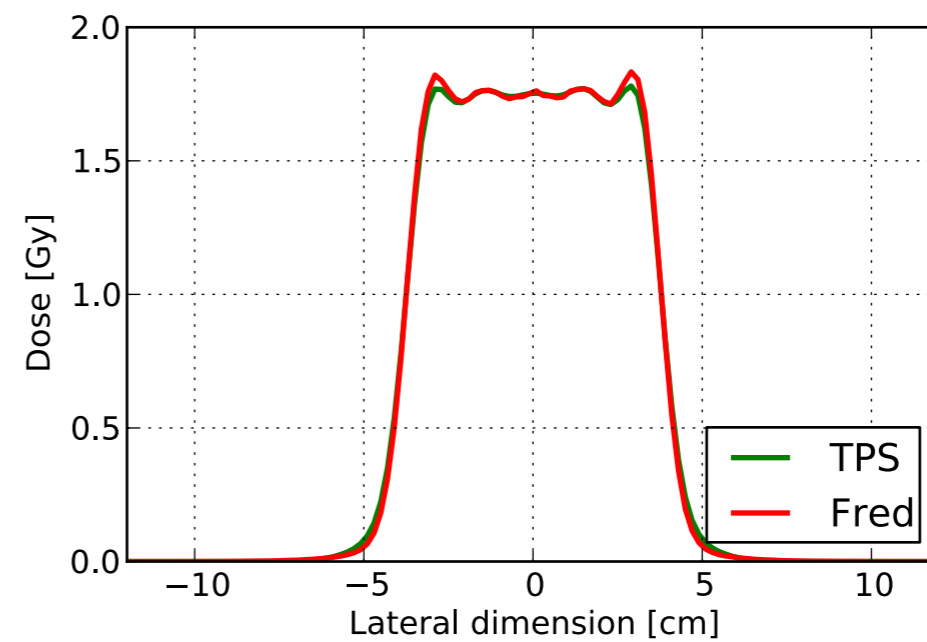
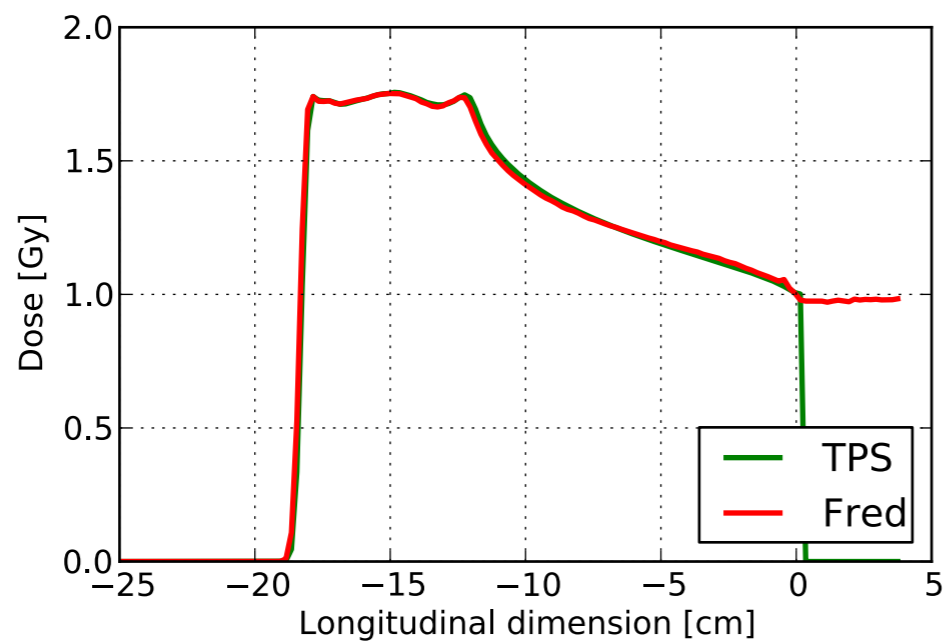


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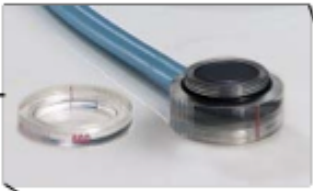
head-on

QA SOBPs: dose profiles and measurements



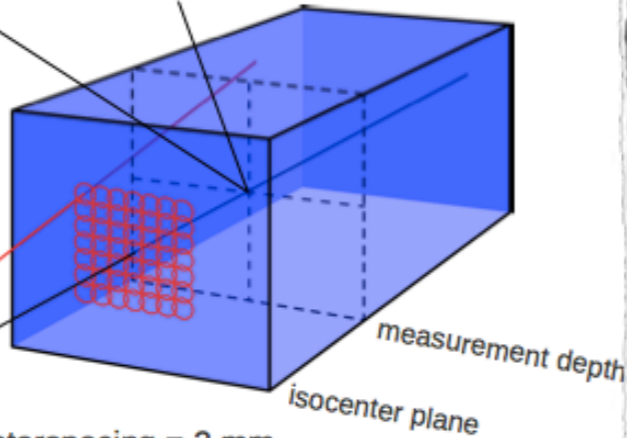
Field size factor

PTW Markus chamber



voltage = 400 V (nominal 300 V)
response = 0.70671 nC/Gy
measuring volume = 0.02 cm³

Water phantom

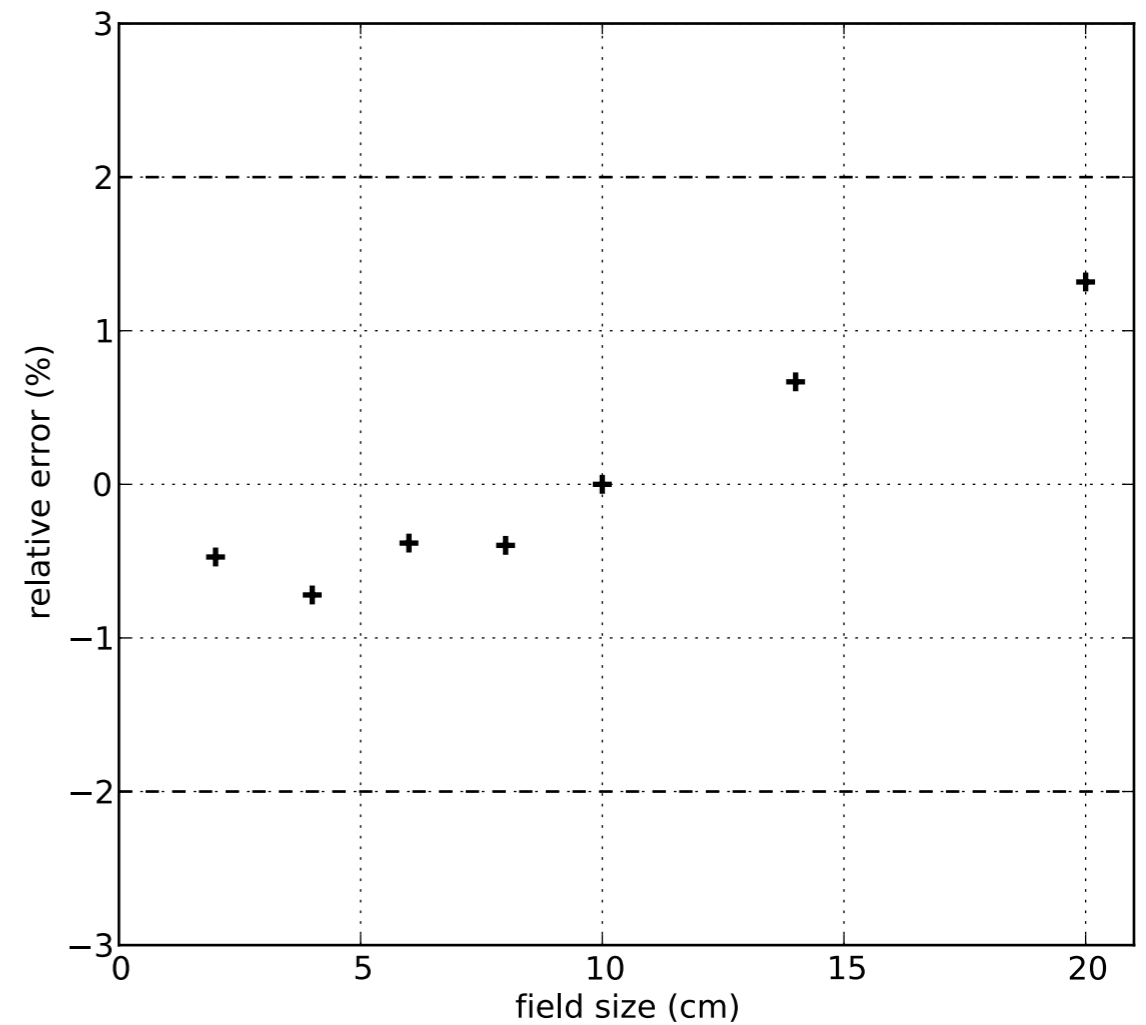
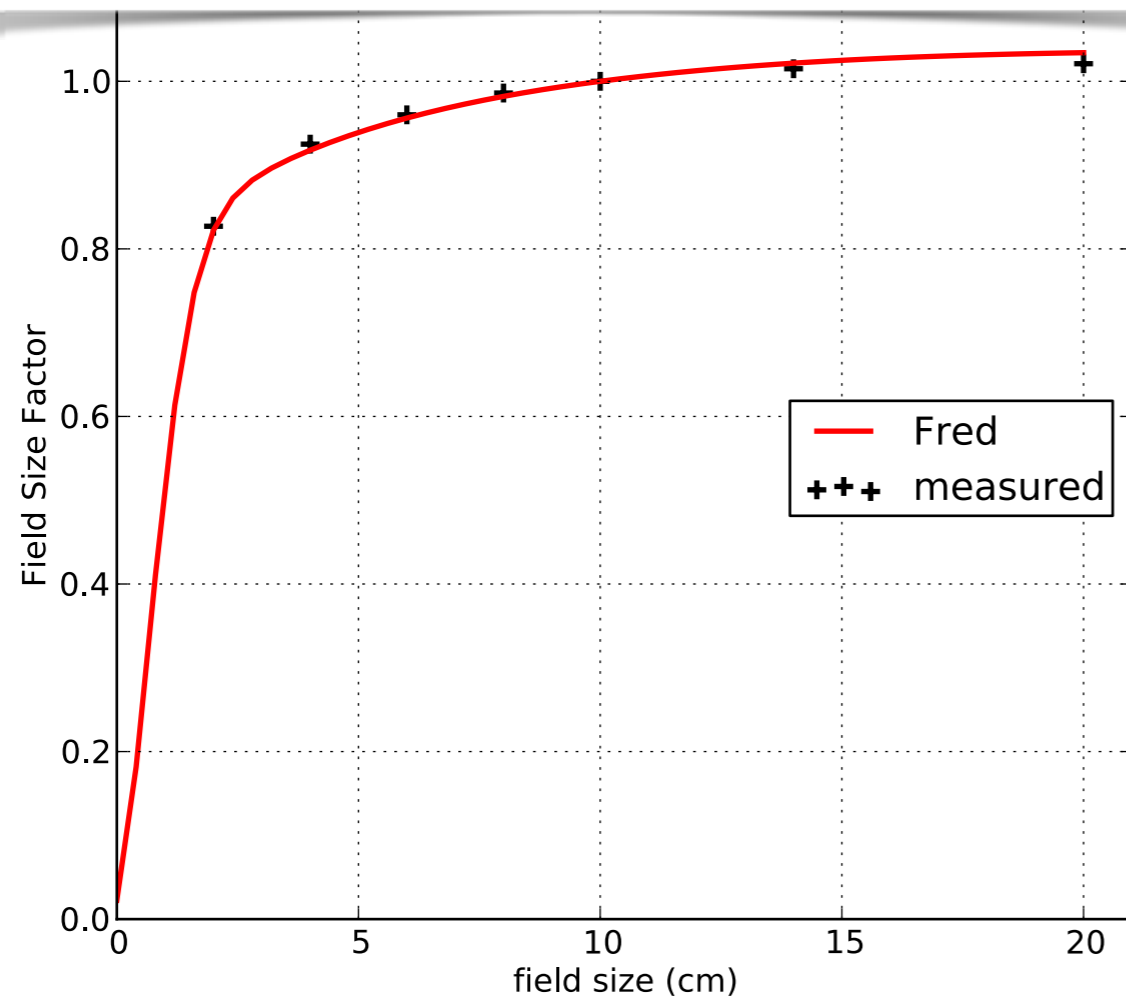


Measurement repeated for different energies, field sizes and depths

E_n

spot interspacing = 2 mm
spot intensity = 5e7

$E = 226.61$ MeV/u at 20 cm depth



Hardware for rapid MC recalculation




- standard codes
- expensive (€€€€€€)
- maintenance (staff)



- low budget (€€€€)
- redundancy
- in-house maintenance


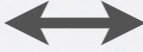
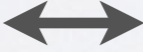
Parallel execution model in Fred



Extranode
MPI



Fred
front-end

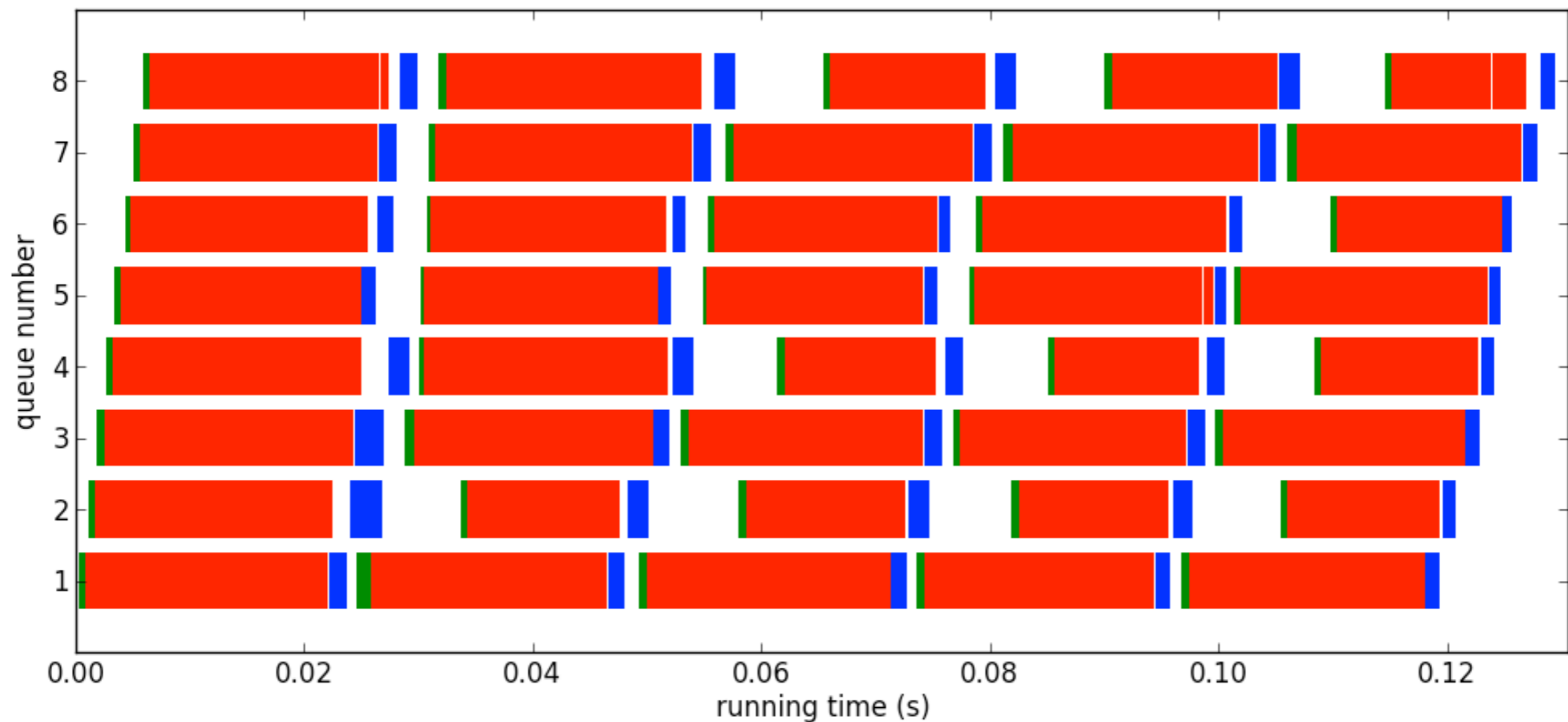


Intranode
Multi-GPU
OpenCl



Intranode
POSIX
Multi-threads

Queues and timeline



Execution timeline for 8 queues
on 4 GPUs using OpenCL.

Host-to-device transfers (green), kernel execution (red),
and device-to-host (blue) transfers

Hardware and Performance

CPU

| CPU ^a | Threads | primary/s | $\mu\text{s}/\text{primary}$ |
|------------------|---------|-----------|------------------------------|
| full-MC * | 1 | 0.75 k | 1330 |
| FRED | 1 | 15 k | 68 |
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| FRED | 32 | 80 k | 12.5 |

* FLUKA or Geant4

benchmark: 150 MeV protons in a water phantom
on a 1 mm³ dose scoring grid

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GPU

| GPU | Cards | primary/s | $\mu\text{s}/\text{primary}$ |
|----------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------------------------|
| AMD Radeon R9 M370X ¹ | 1 | 500 k | 2 |
| AMD FirePro D300 ² | 2 | 2000 k | 0.5 |
| NVIDIA GTX 1080 | 1 | 11200 k | 0.09 |
| NVIDIA GTX 980 ³ | 1 | 5350 k | 0.2 |
| NVIDIA GTX 980 | 2 | 10200 k | 0.1 |
| NVIDIA GTX 980 | 3 | 15600 k | 0.6 |
| NVIDIA GTX 980 | 4 | 19900 k | 0.05 |

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Applications to proton therapy

- Patient-specific QA protocol at CNAO



- Patient-specific HU-RSP calibration



- Commissioning of CCB proton center in Krakow



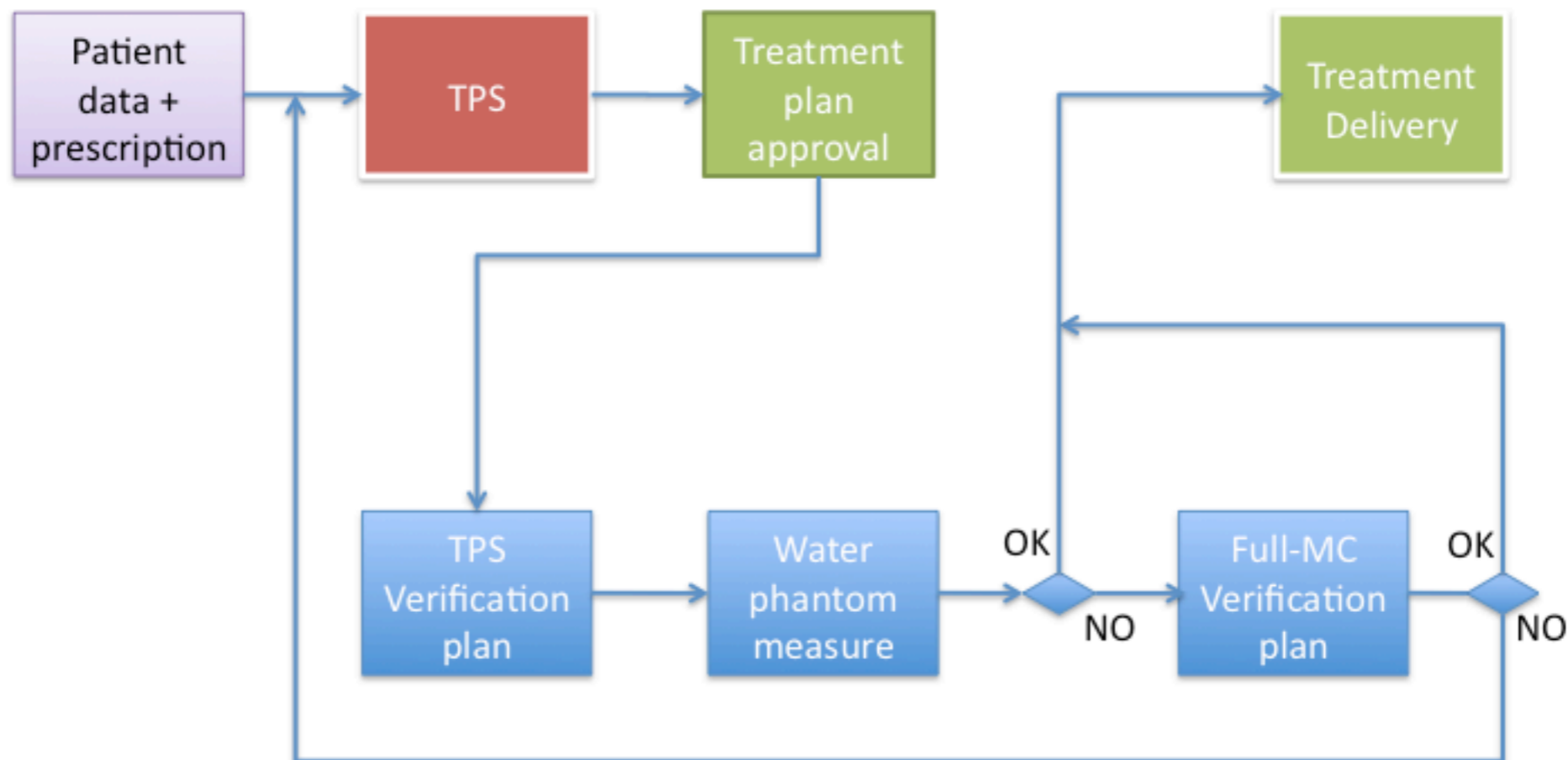
- Dose monitoring using secondary protons



see S. Muraro talk this afternoon (ID 67)

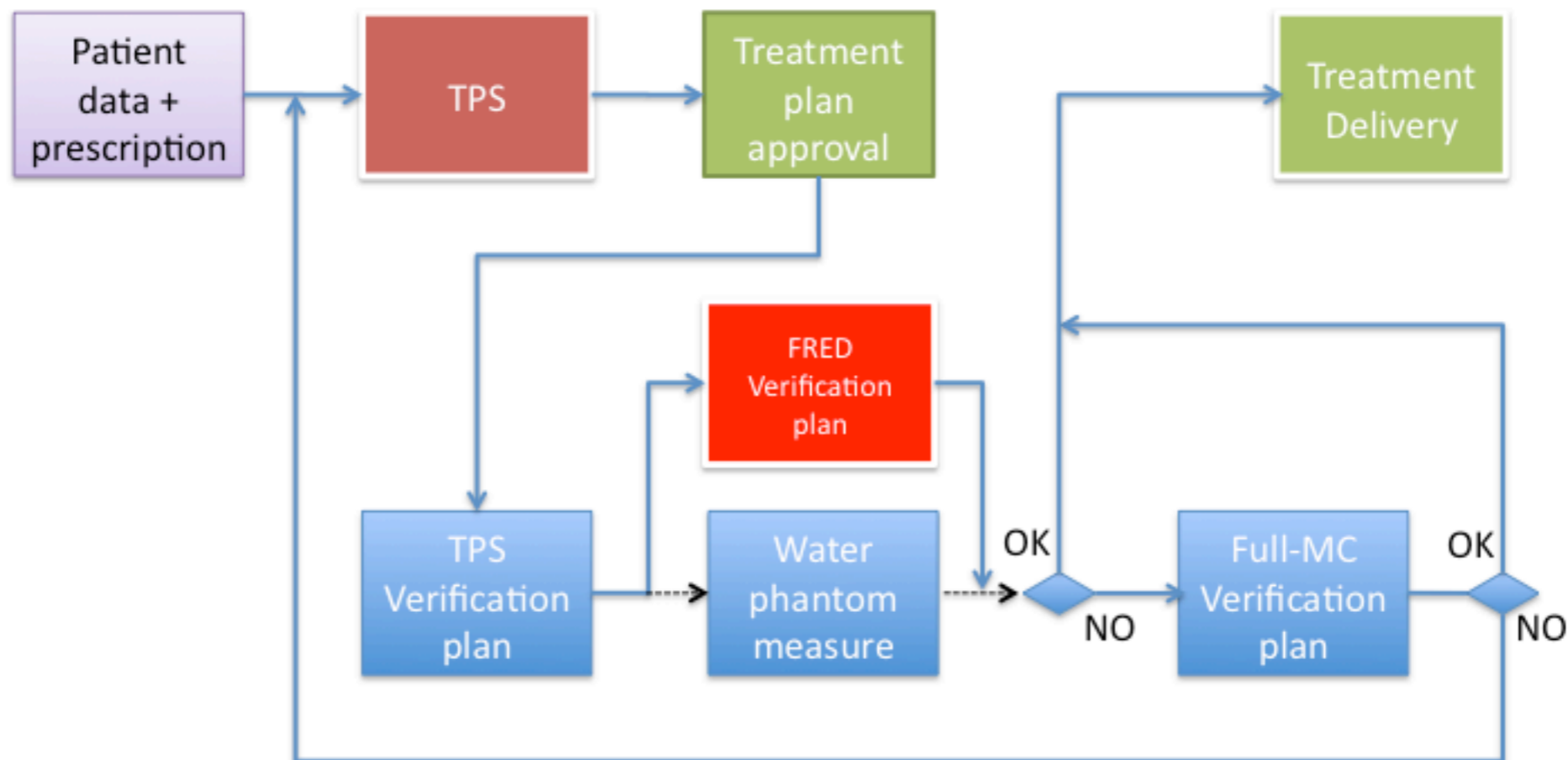
Fast-MC recalculation of patient verification plans at CNAO

Patient QA protocol (now)

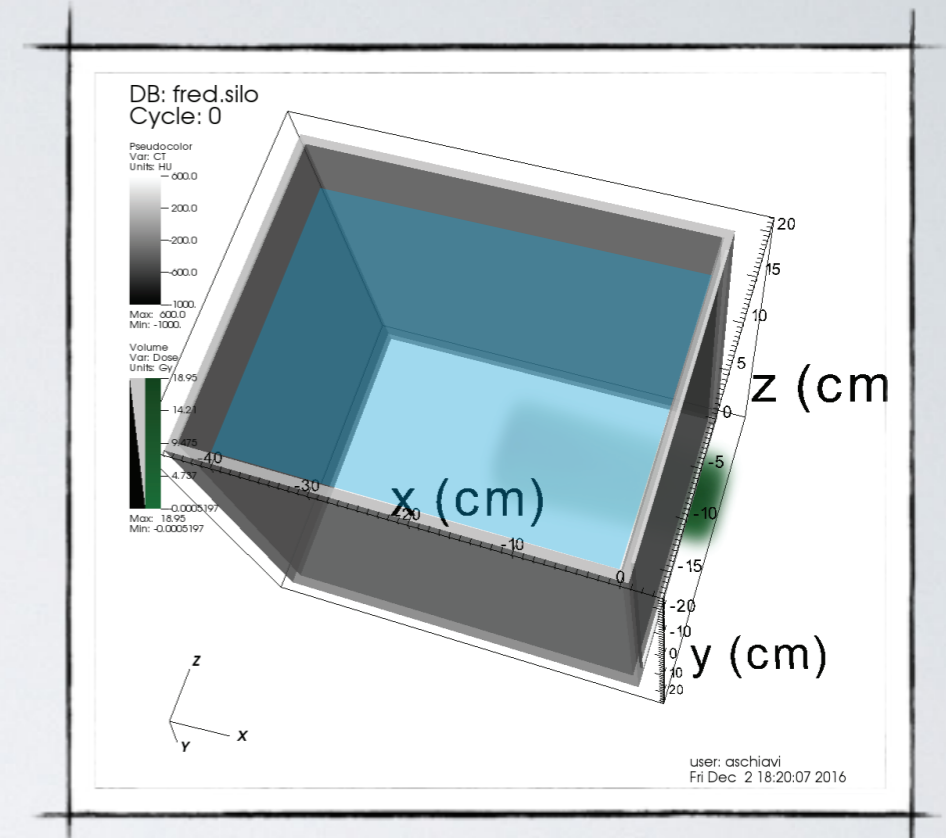
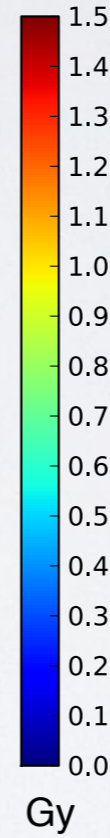
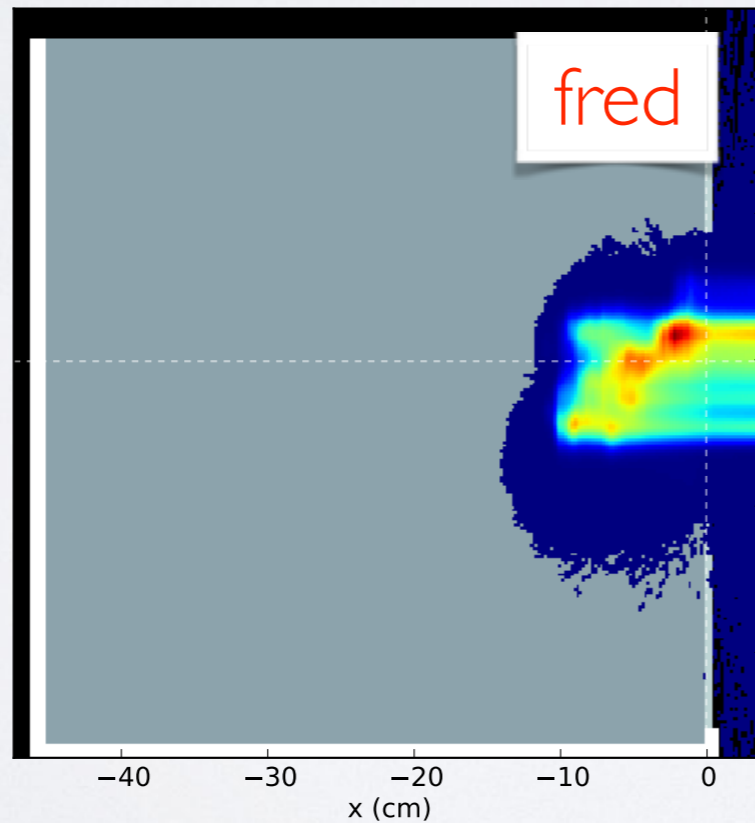
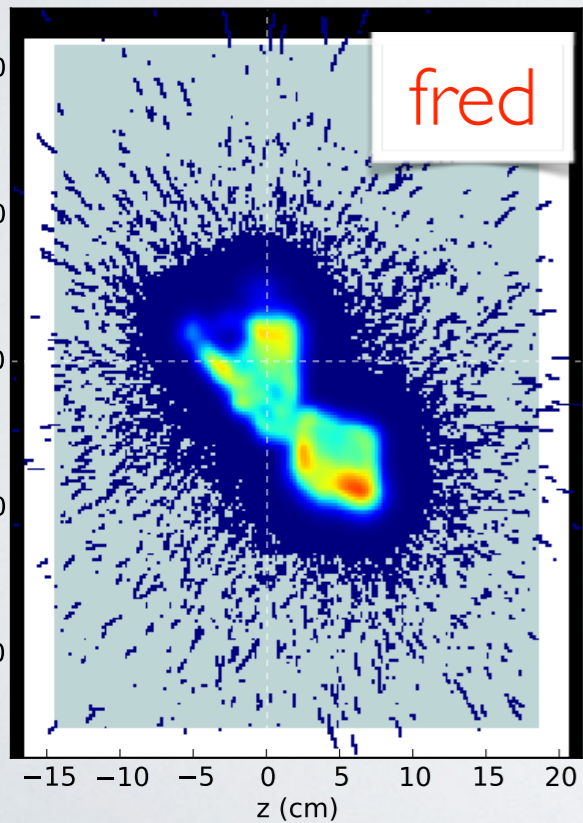
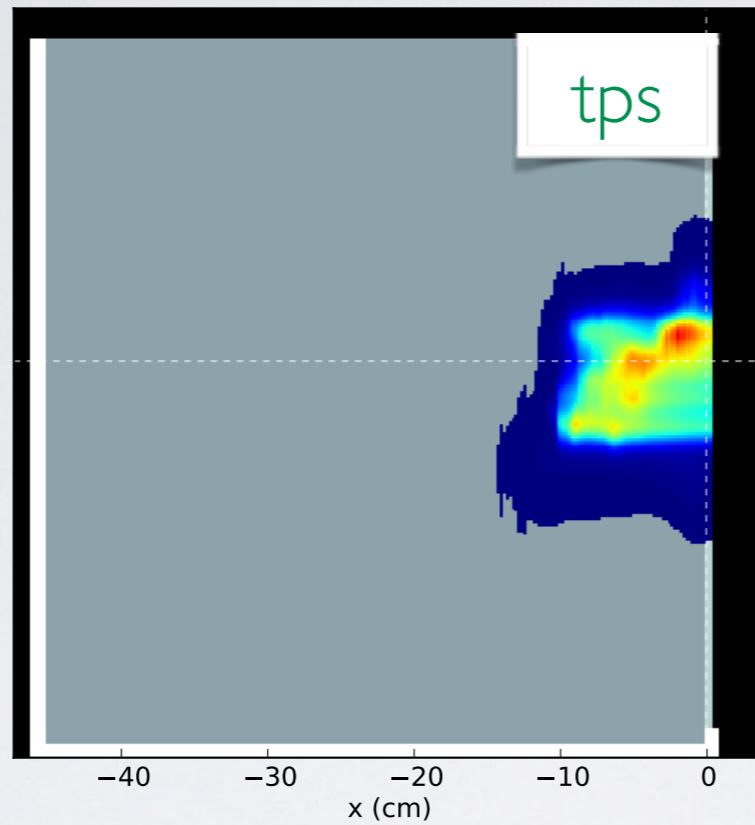
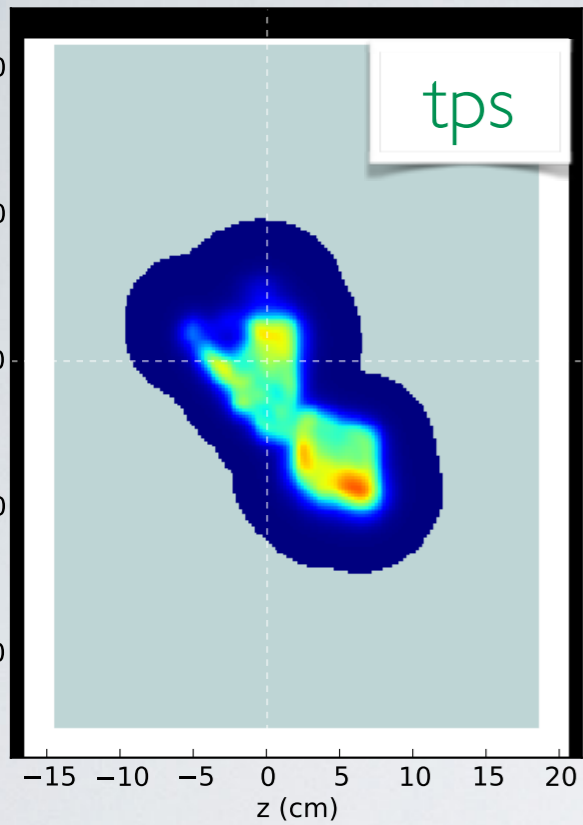


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Patient QA protocol (new)



Patient verification plan

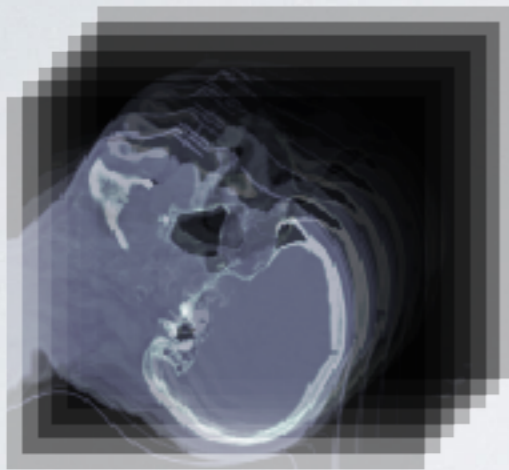


γ -index pass rates
 99.6% @ 2mm/2%
 96.7% @ 1mm/1%

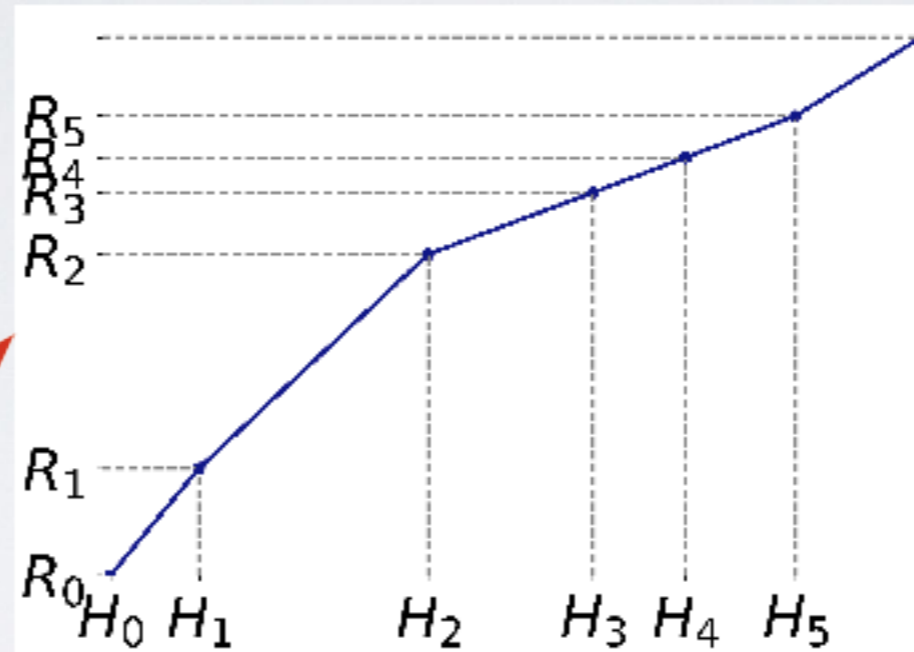
head-on

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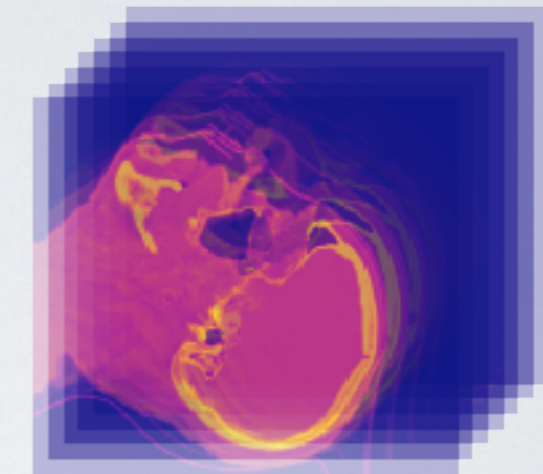
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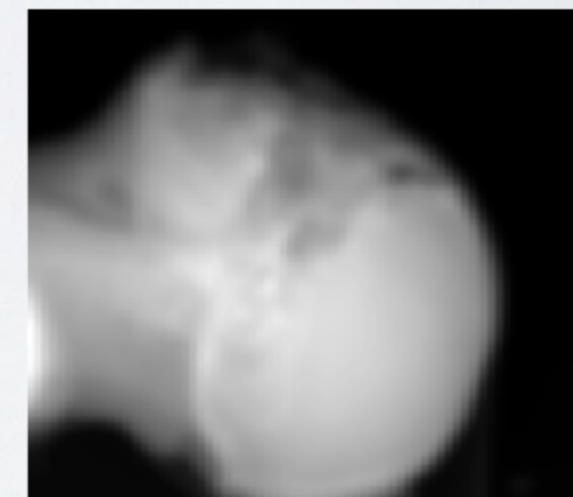
calibration



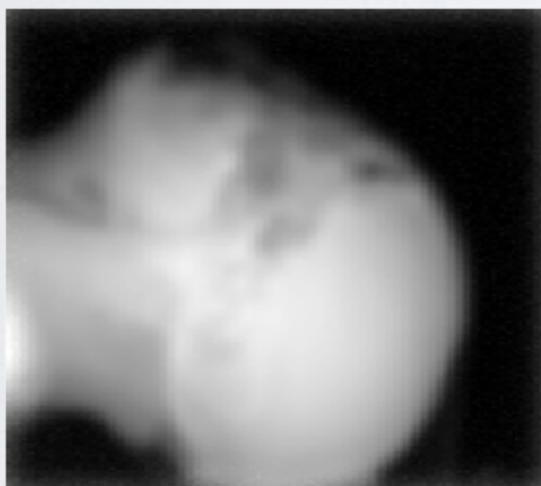
RSP



projection



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Proton radiography (pR)

Optimize $R_1, R_2, R_3 \dots$



$$\min \|pR - DRR\|^2$$

Digitally Reconstructed Radiography (DRR)

[1] Schneider et al. 2005, Medical Physics (PSI)

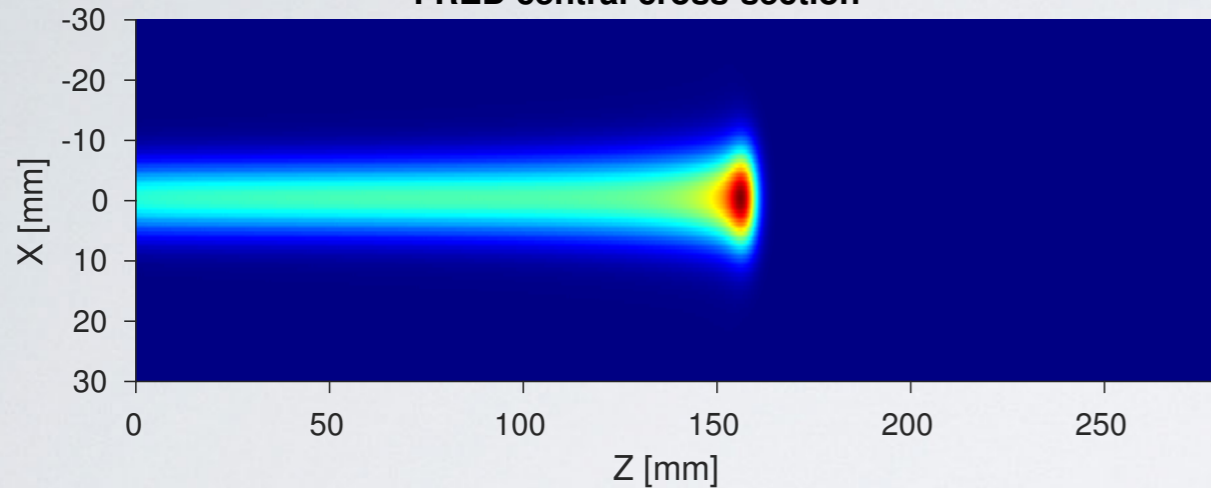
[2] Doolan et al. 2015, Physics in Medicine and Biology (MGH)

Fred commissioning @ CCB Krakow

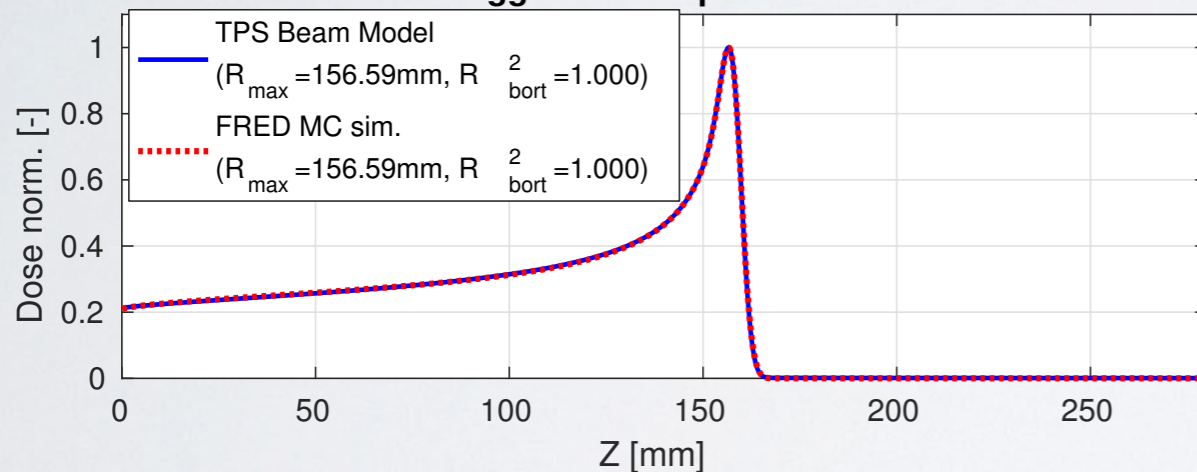
Proton Beam Therapy Centre



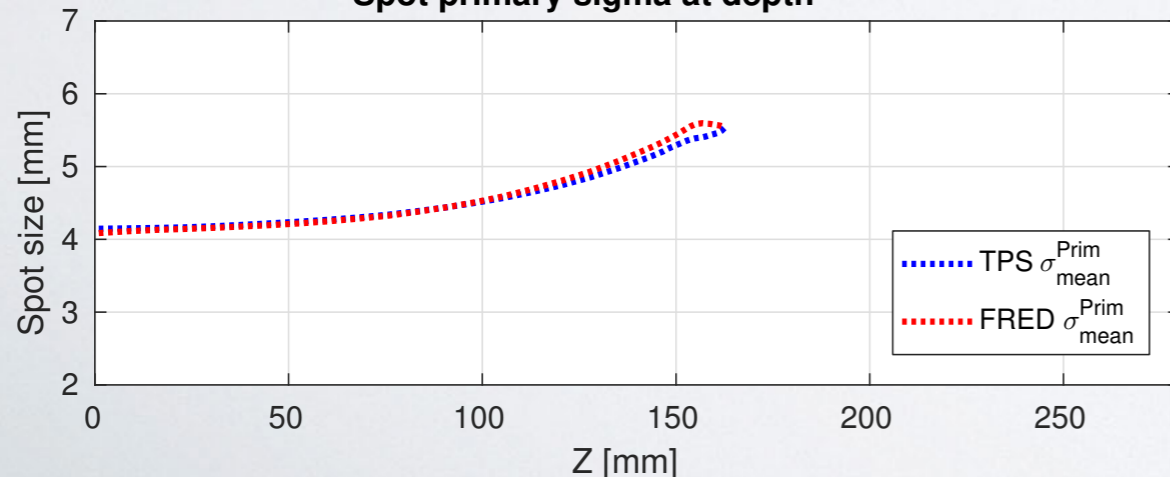
FRED central cross-section



Bragg Peak comparison



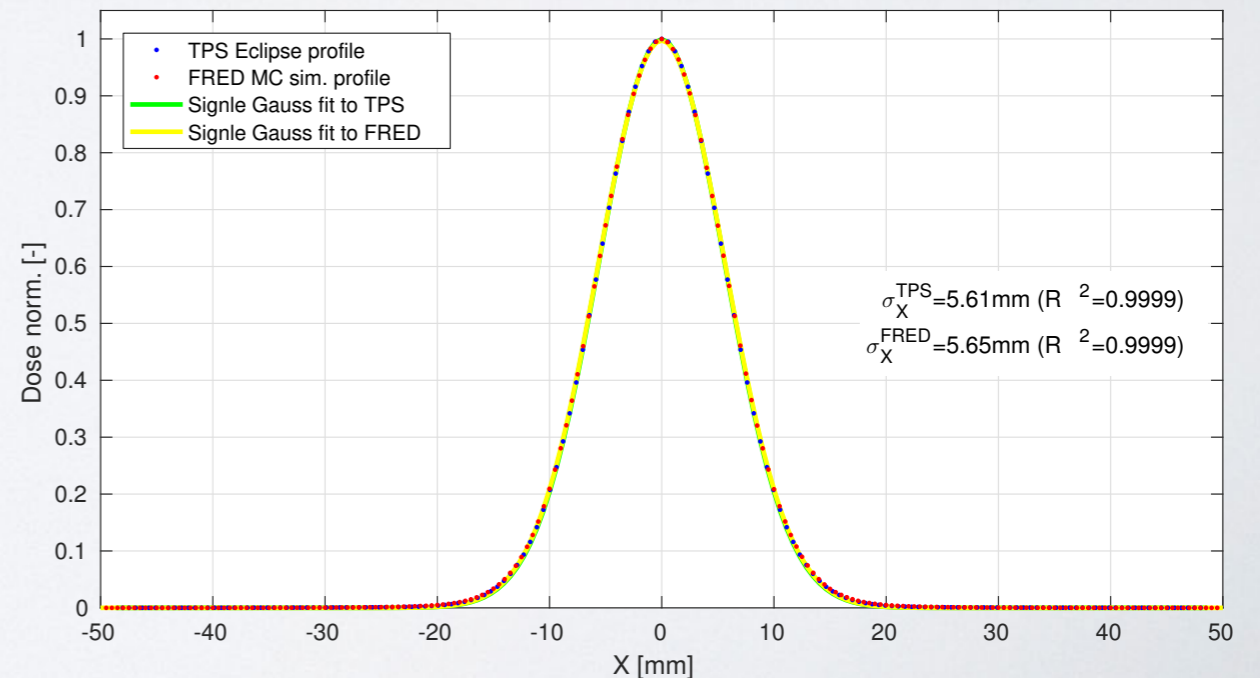
Spot primary sigma at depth



Fred code is currently being commissioned at CCB as a **quality assurance tool**.

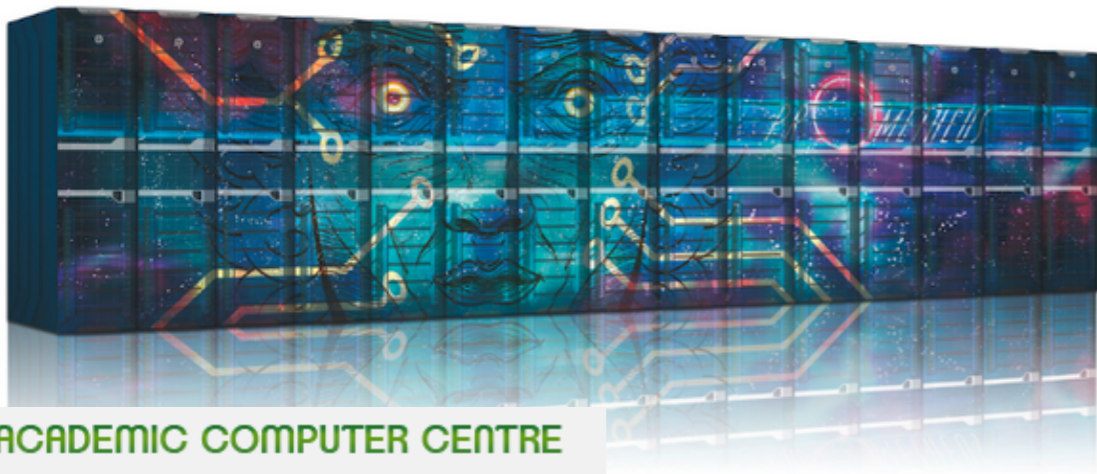
Preliminary results show good agreement of single beam dose distributions calculated with Eclipse and Fred, indicating an accurate implementation of CCB beam model in the Fred MC-TPS code. Dose distributions for a complete plan can be obtained in about one minute using Fred on GPU.

Robustness studies of treatment plan strategy can be conducted on the HPC cluster Prometheus.



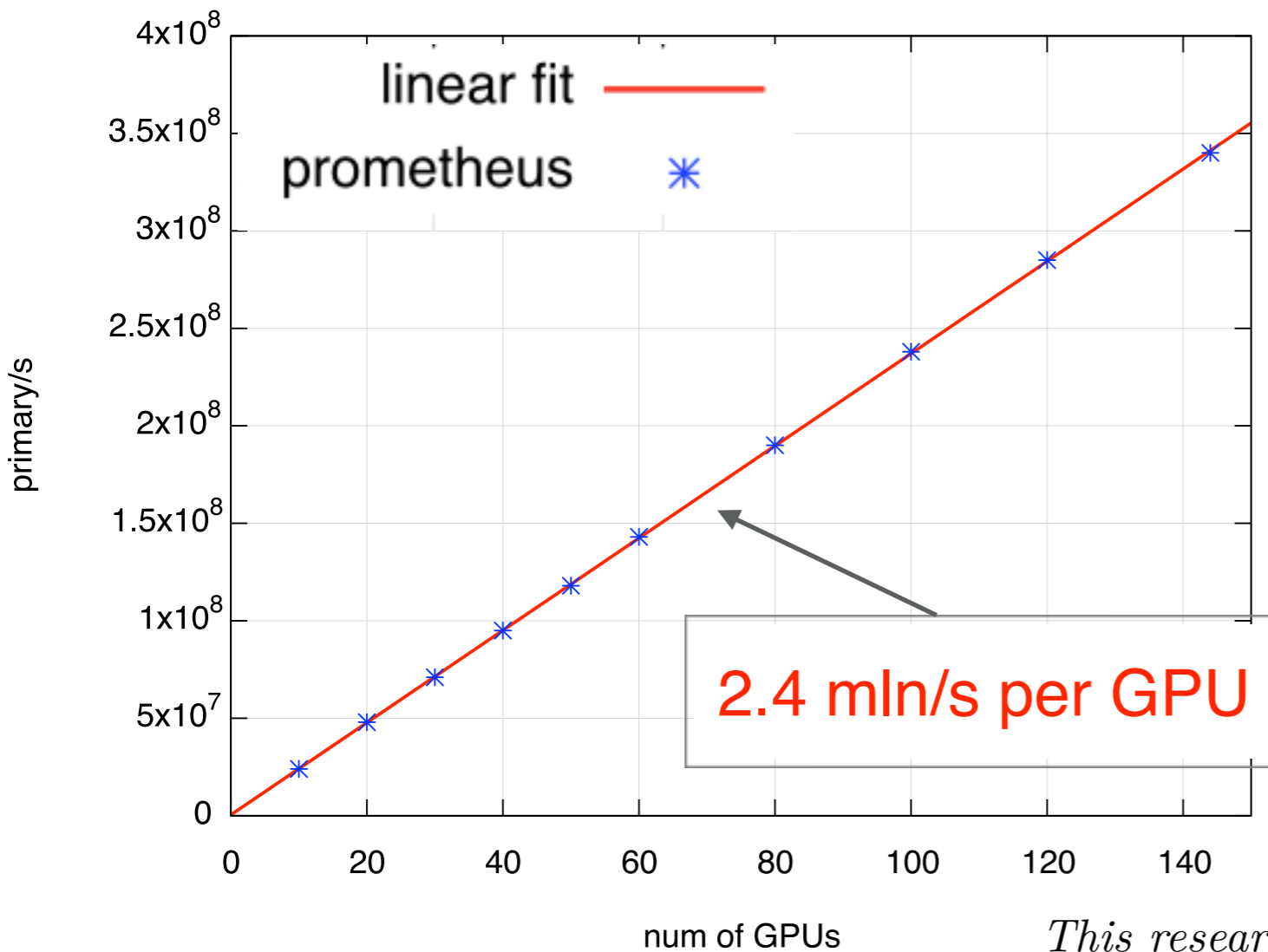


Top performance on Prometheus



ACADEMIC COMPUTER CENTRE
CYFRONET AGH

- 72 Nodes with 24 CPUs and 2 Tesla K40d GPUs
- Up to **144** GPUs in parallel + 1728 CPUs



perfect linear scaling

up to **0.3 billion**
primary/s

This research was supported in part by PL-Grid Infrastructure.

Future developments and perspectives

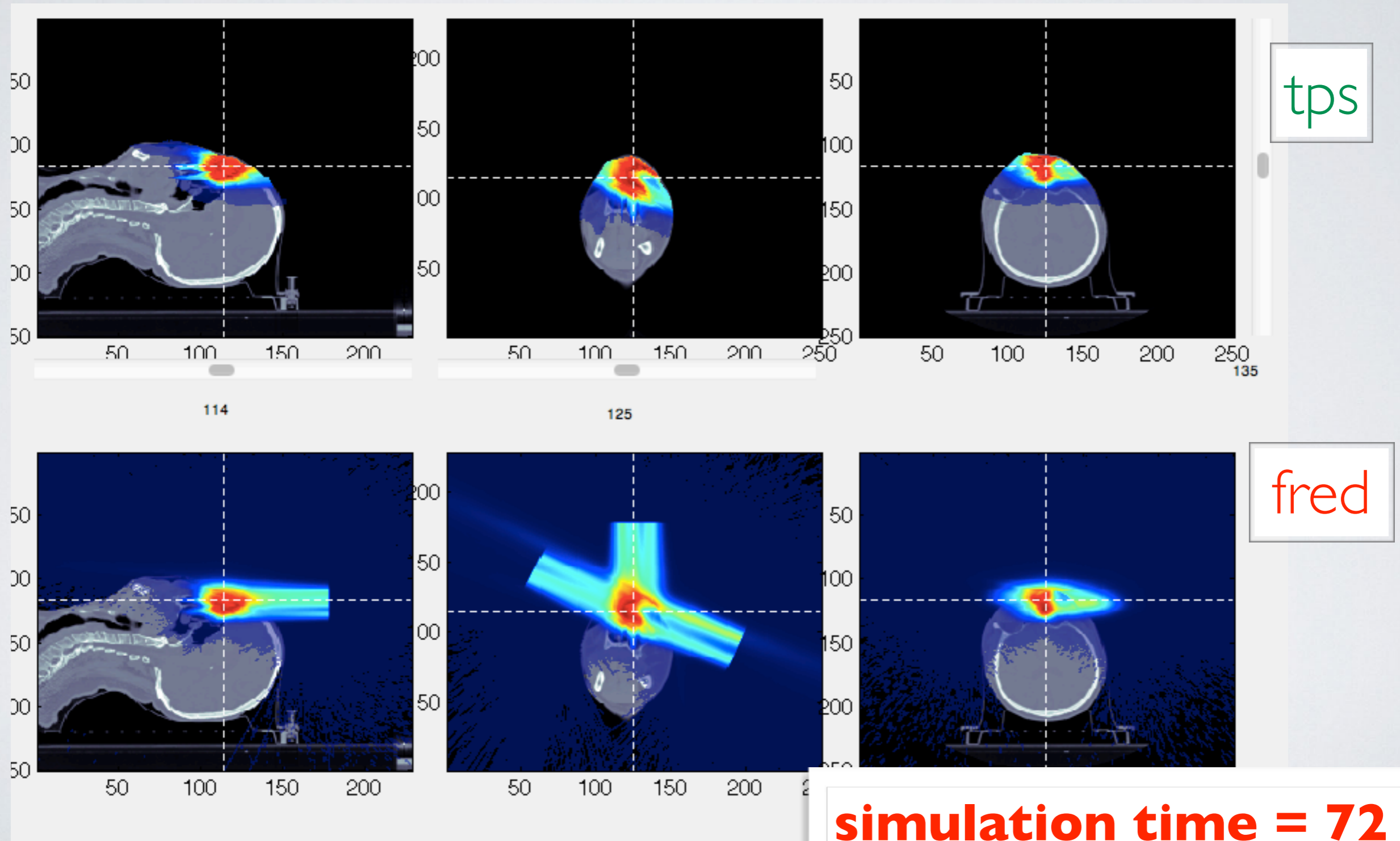
- clinical validation of fast-recalculation tool
- applications to clinical routine
- extensions to include other ions (Carbon, Helium) and secondary particles (alphas, delta-rays and neutrons)
- dose monitoring using charged secondary particles

Patient recalculation plan

recalculation at 1% = 700 million primary protons

gamma-index 97% @ 2mm/2%

gamma-index 92% @ 1mm/1%



Water-cooled 4 GPU workstation



Hardware:
4x GPU NVIDIA GTX 1080
1x CPU Intel i7-5930K @
3,50 GHz with 12 cores

20 mln primary/s

4x NVIDIA Titan-Xp
40 mln primary/s
budget: 10 kEuro

compare with new
NVIDIA DGX-1
(8x Tesla P100)
expected performance:
80 mln primary/s

budget: 125 kEuro

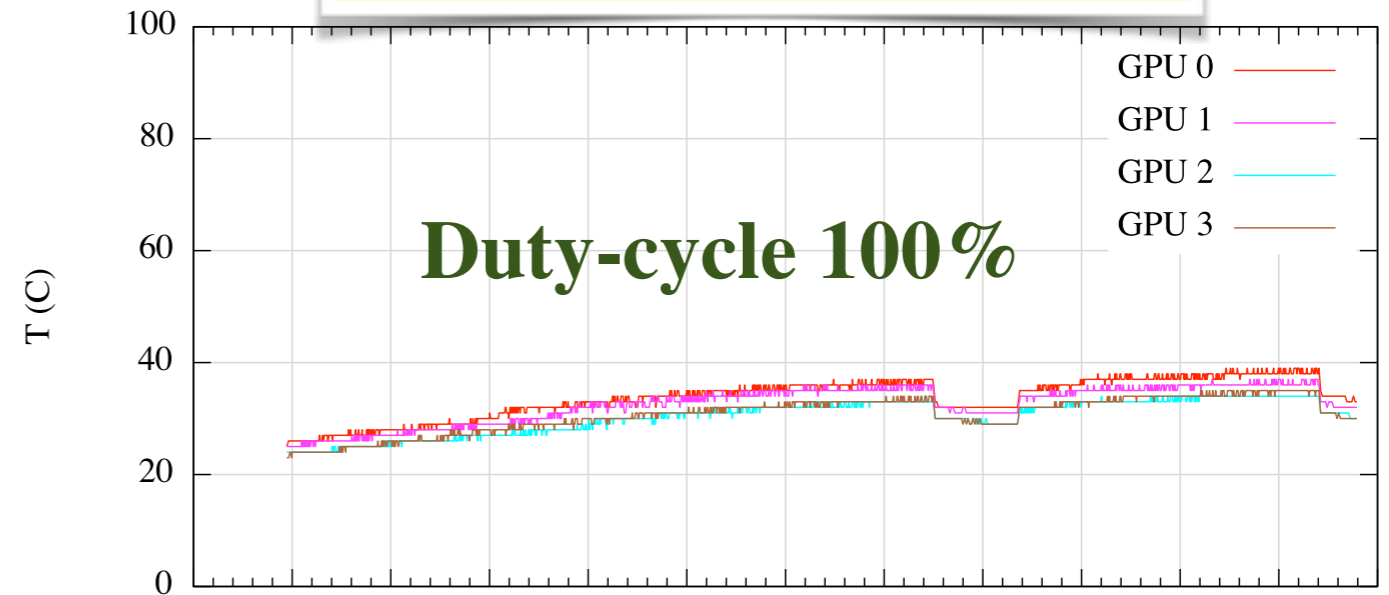
Case study: 3D raytracing for legacy F77 hydrocode



From 1 to 2 Mray/s
(equivalent to 800 MPI
processes)

Raytracing step well below
hydrodynamic step

4 water-cooled GPU



2 air-cooled GPU

