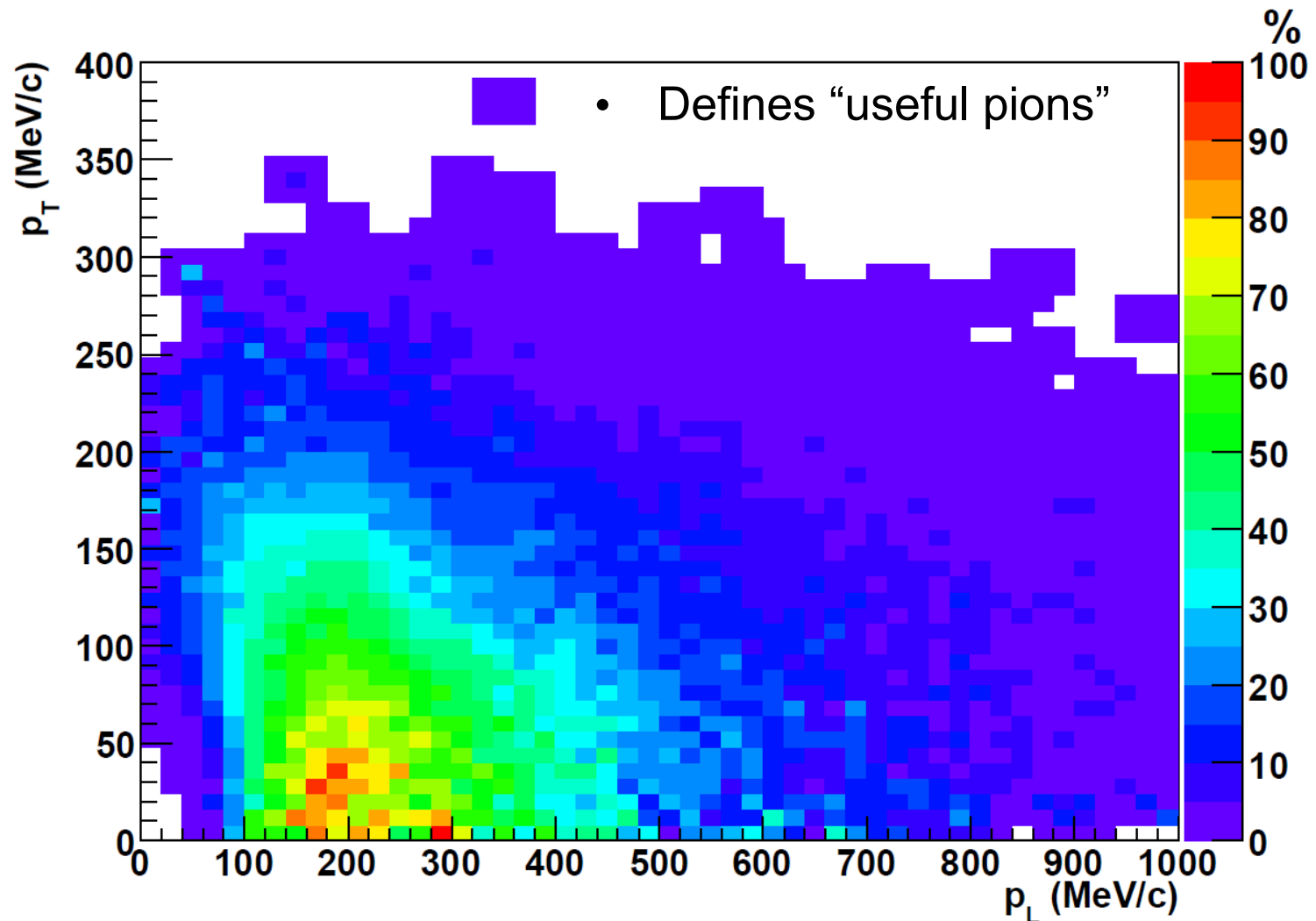


# Tapered Pion Targets for the Neutrino Factory

Study using MARS15.07

# John Back's Probability Grid



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# Simulation Setup

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Parameter	Value
Proton energy	10 GeV
Beam distribution	Parallel, circular parabolic
Beam radius	1 cm ( $r_{\max}$ )
Target material	Tantalum
Magnetic field	20 T in $z$ direction

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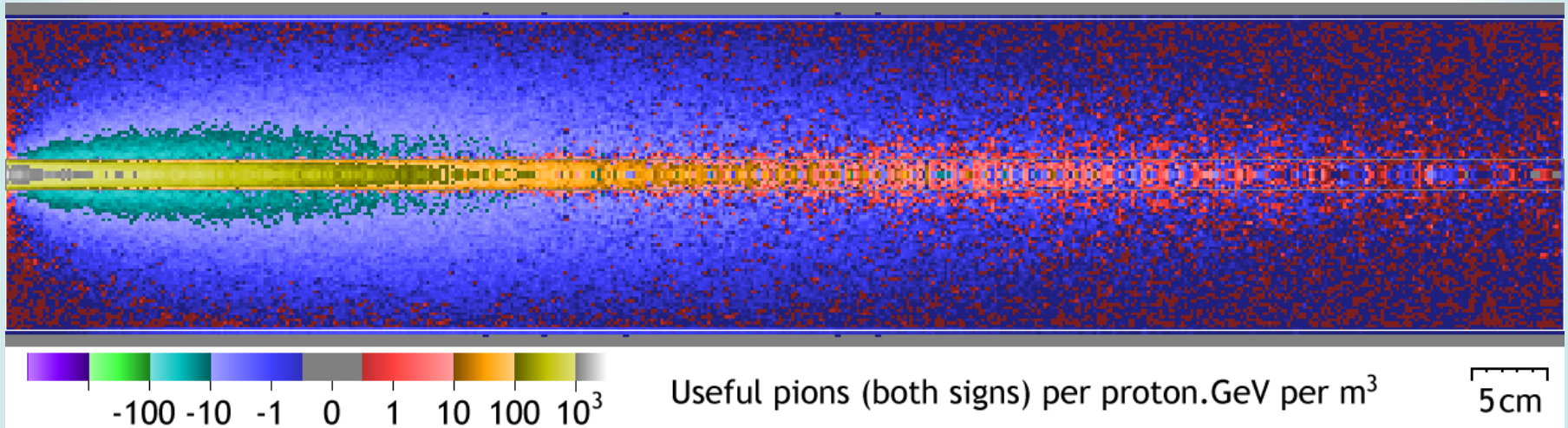
Geometry volume	1 m $\times$ 10 cm radius cylinder
Geometry resolution	2 mm in $z$ and $r$

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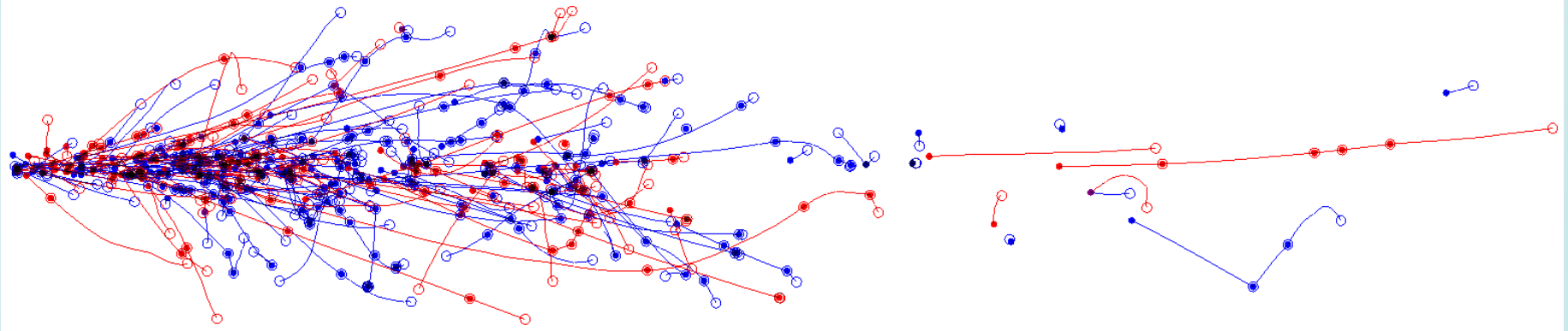
Code used	MARS15.07
Hardware	100 CPU cores on SCARF
Protons simulated	$10^6$ ( $10^4$ per core)

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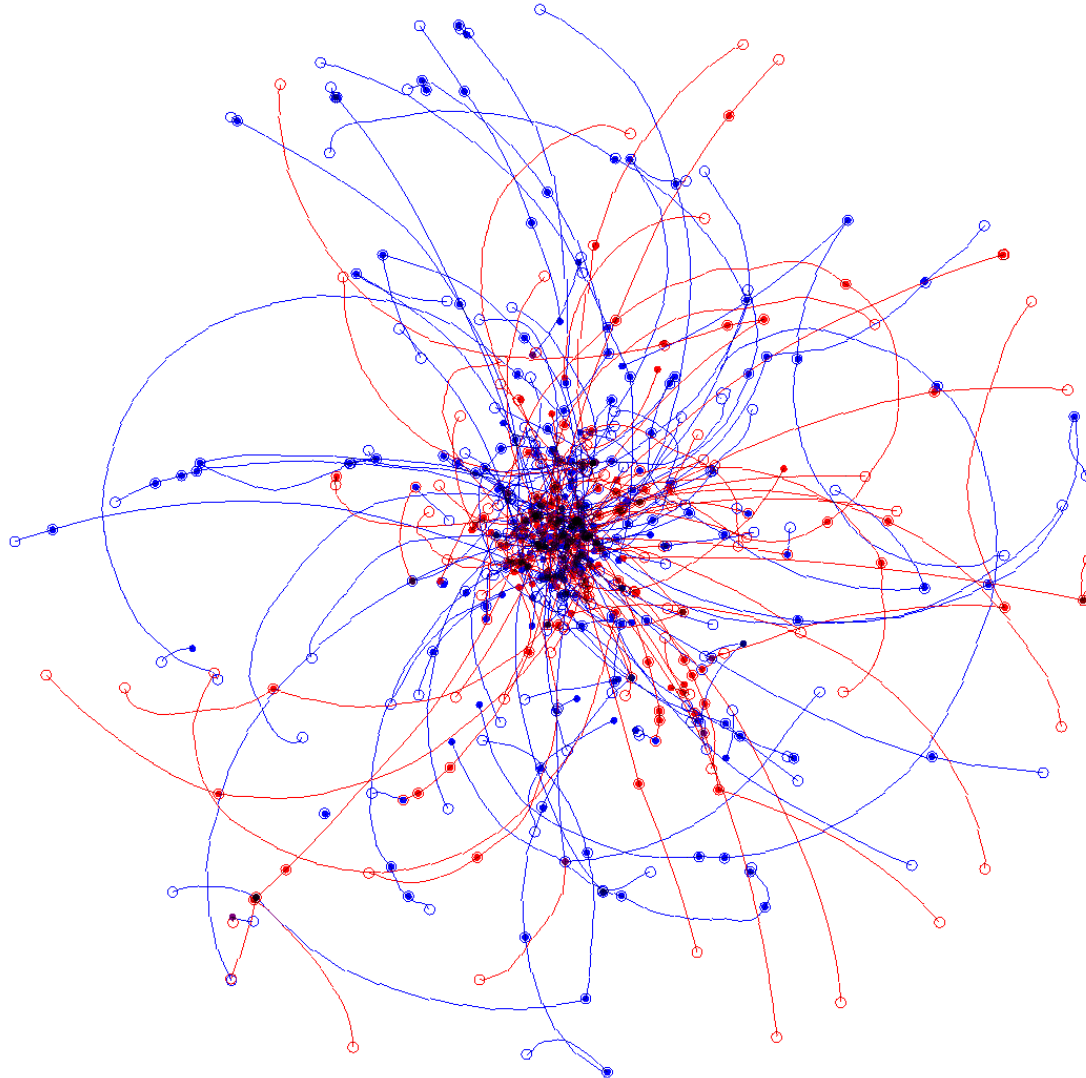
# Useful Pion Yield Balance



# Produced/Absorbed Pion Tracks

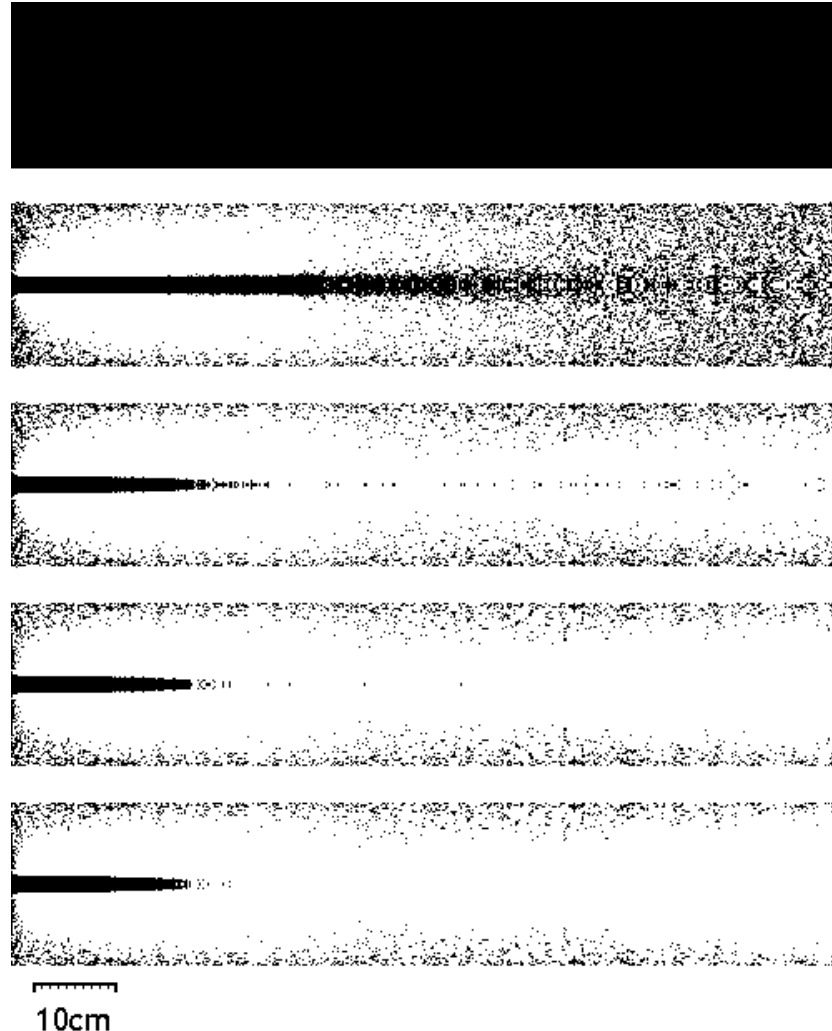


# End-on View

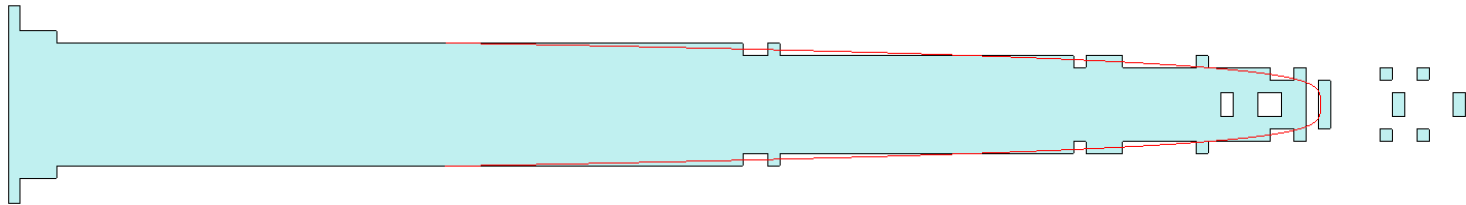


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# Removal of Absorbing Areas



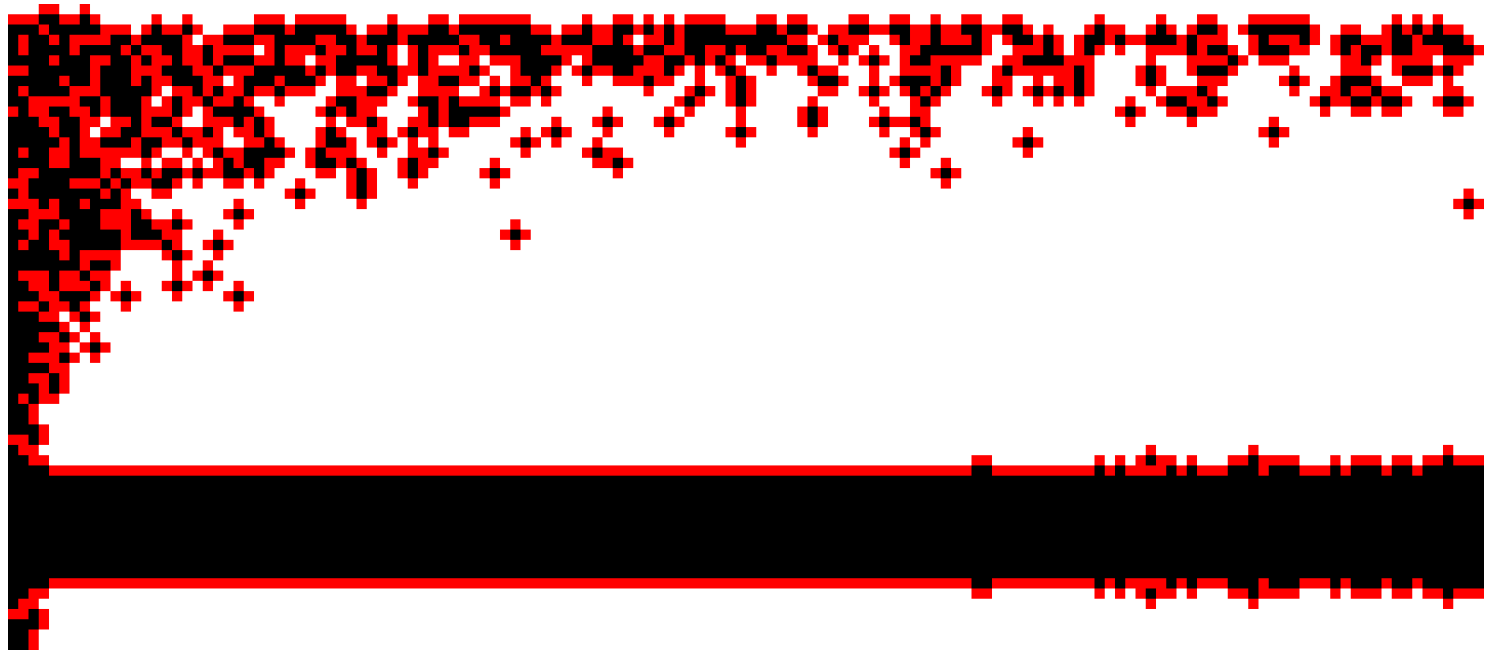
# Fit to Final (4<sup>th</sup> iterate) Shape



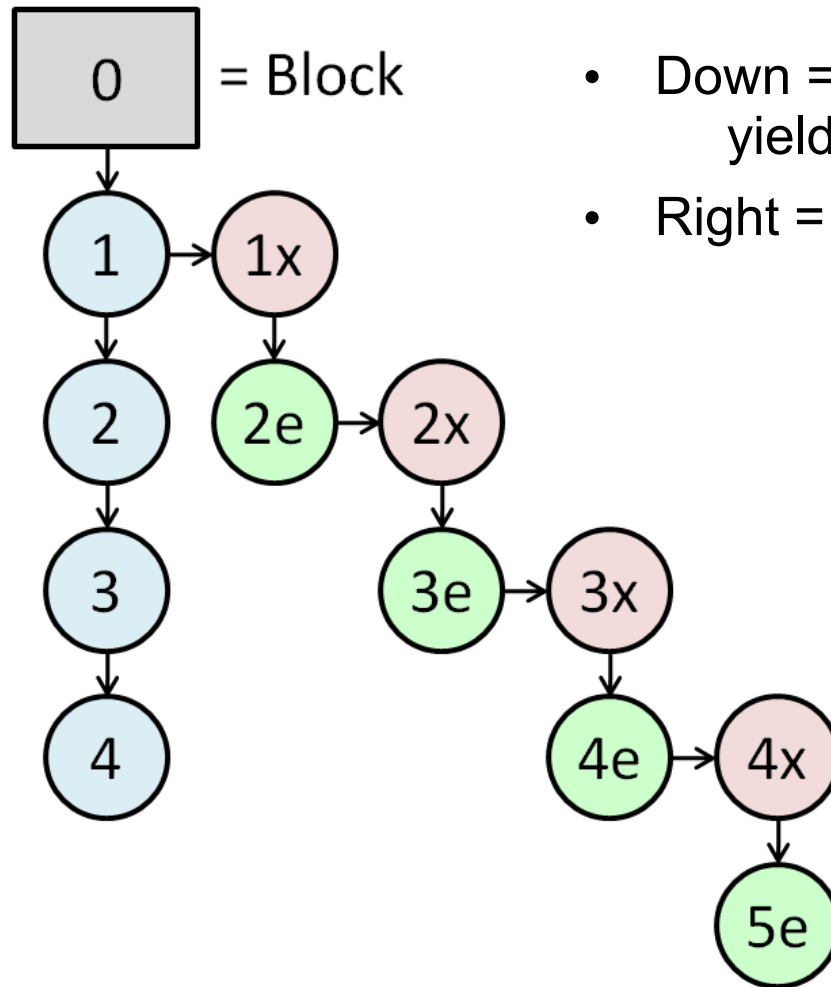
$$r_{[\text{cm}]} = \sqrt[4]{\min\{1, 1.5 - 0.07z_{[\text{cm}]}\}}$$



# Material Expansion Algorithm

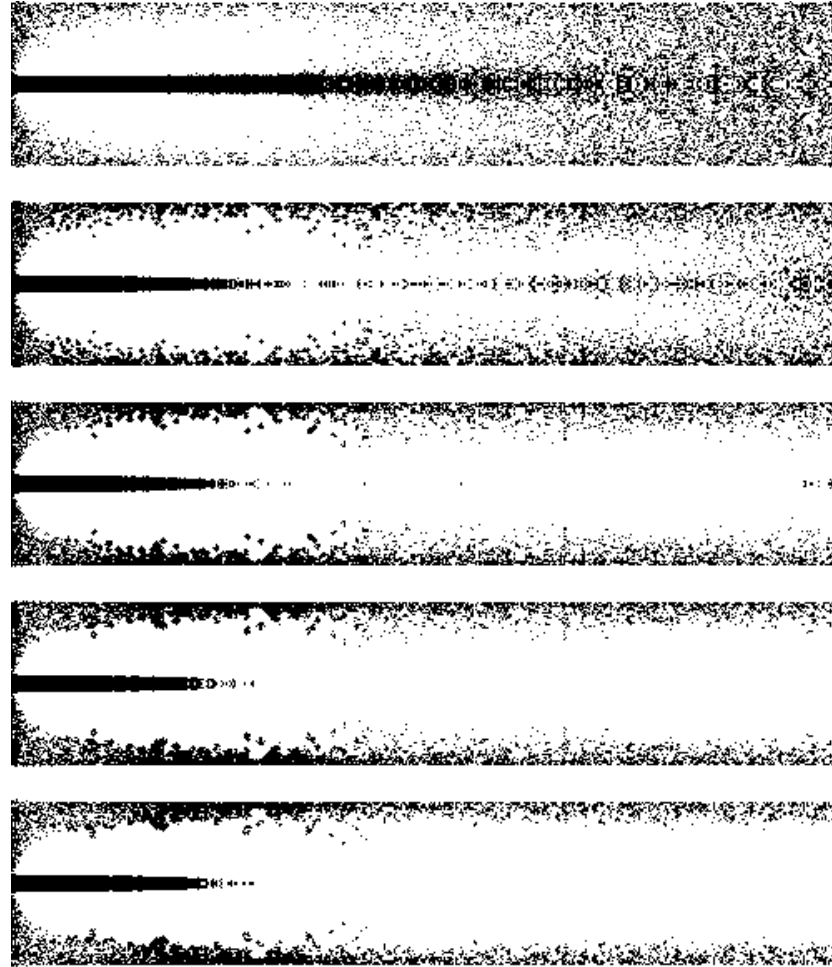


# Material Shape Sequences



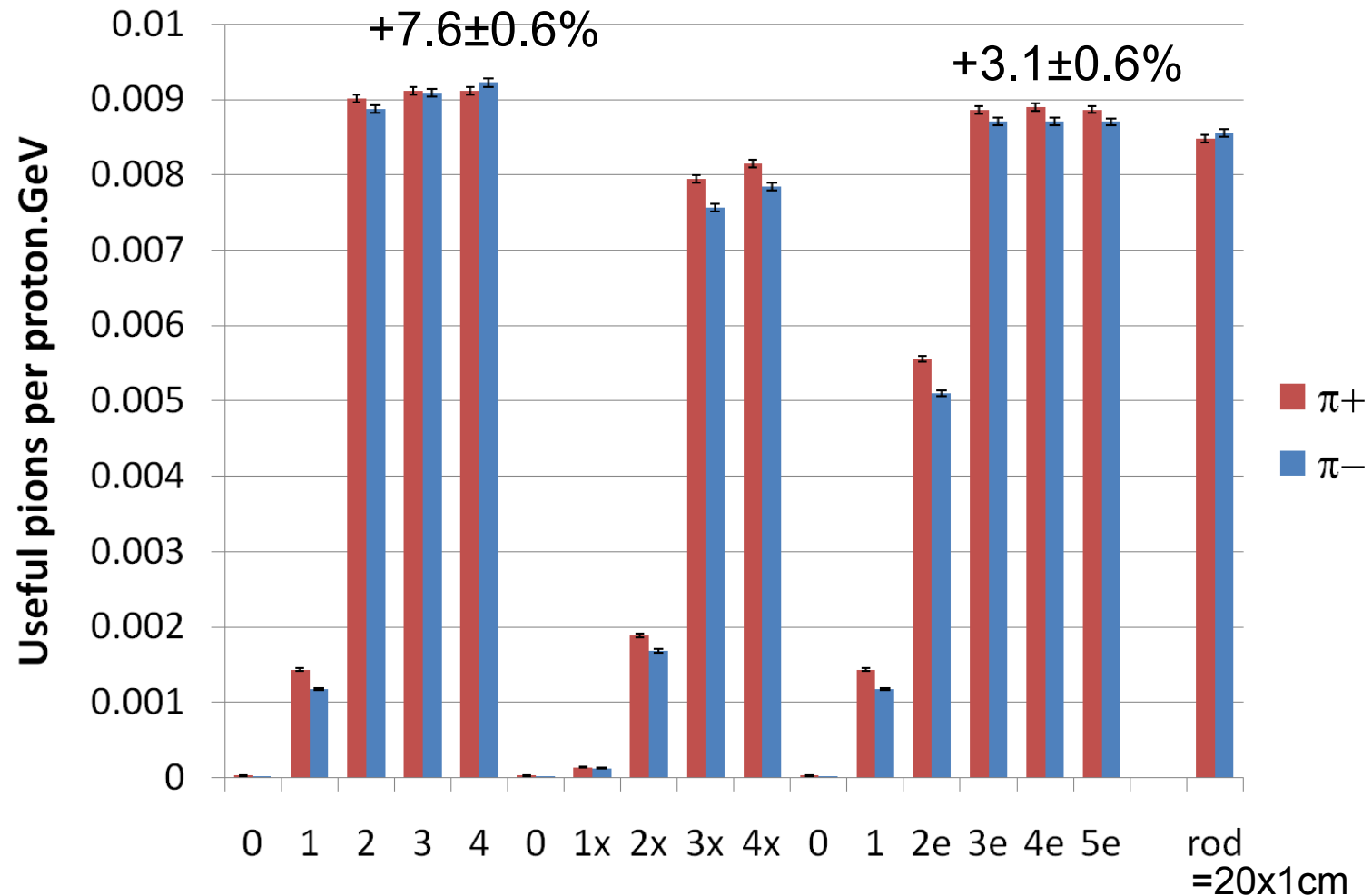
- Down = Remove negative yield areas
- Right = Expand material

# Removal and Expansion



10cm

# Resultant Useful Pion Yields



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