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# ATLAS New Small Wheel Performance Studies with first data of LHC Run3



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# Outline

- General Introduction to New Small Wheel
- Detector and electronics
- Integration and commission
- Muon reconstruction
- Performance of NSW in the early data taking



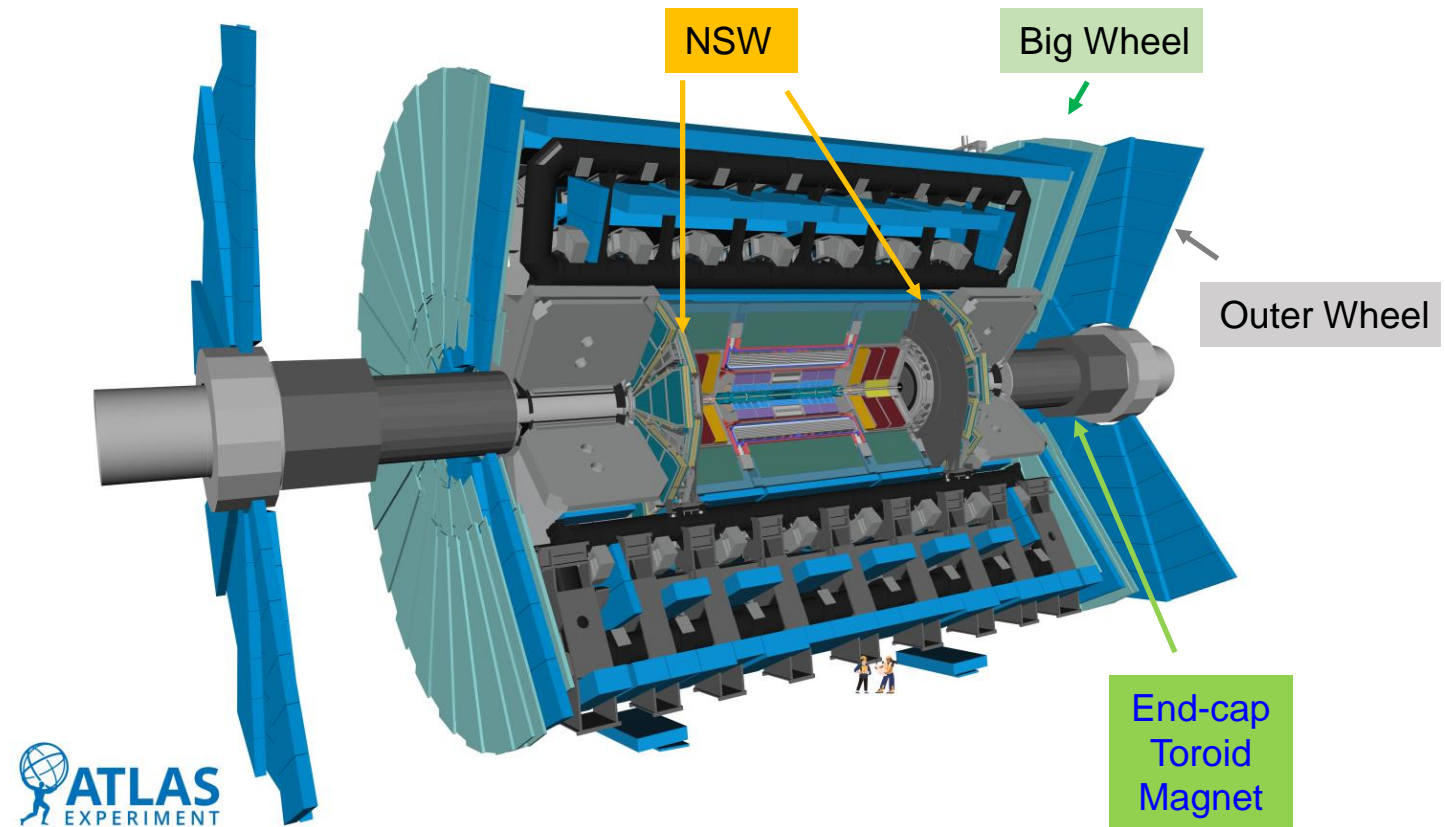
# ATLAS and the New Small Wheel Project

ATLAS went through major hardware upgrade during LHC Long Shut 2 (2019-2022) to improve trigger and maintain remarkable detector performance in high pile-up environment after Run 2.

## Muon New Small Wheel (NSW) Upgrade: [[ATLAS-TDR-020](#)]

- Replacing innermost Muon station in the forward region with completely new detector to provide good trigger and tracking at End-cap with high background rates (up to 20 kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>) towards HL-LHC

## Muon detector stations at the Endcap

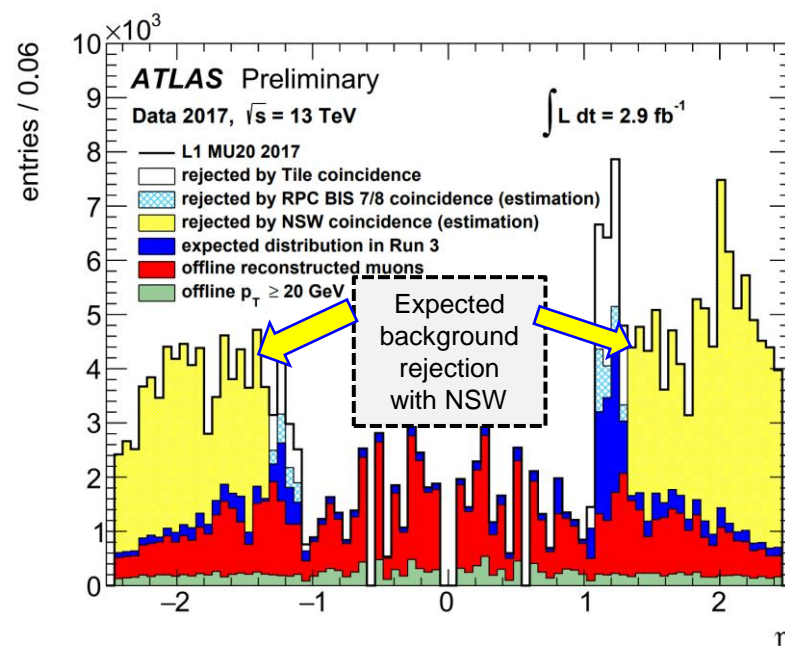




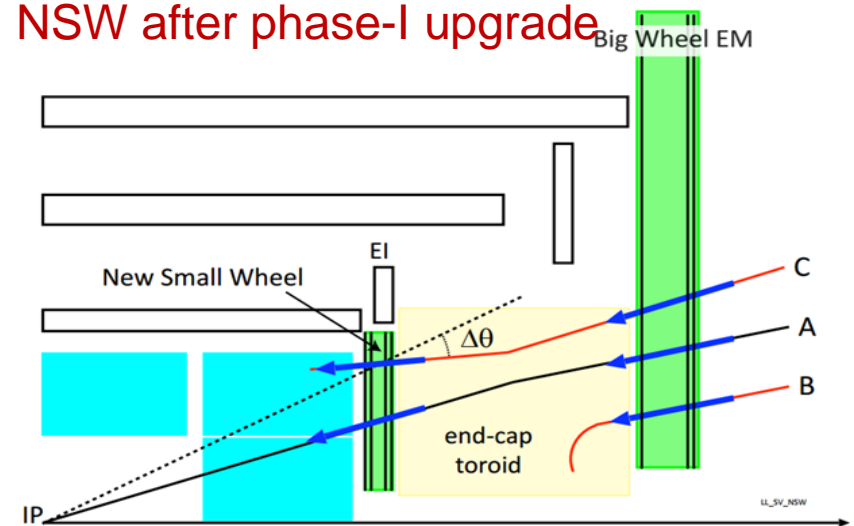
# Muon Level-1 trigger at Endcaps

NSW is designed to provide precision trigger ( $1.3 < |\eta| < 2.4$ ) and tracking ( $1.3 < |\eta| < 2.7$ ) for muons in the ATLAS forward region.

Expected Level-1 muon trigger rate reduction w. NSW



Level-1 Muon trigger at End-cap with NSW after phase-I upgrade



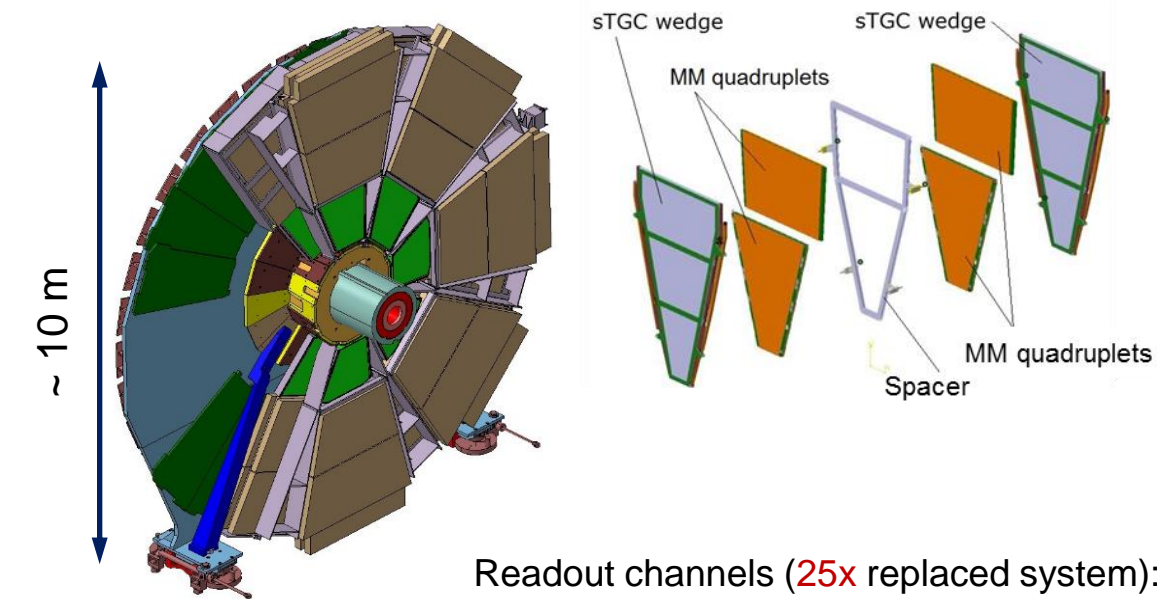
NSW- to meeting phase-I & phase-II upgrade goals:

- Offline muon construction: 15%  $p_T$  resolution at  $\sim 1$  TeV/c. 97% segment reconstruction efficiency for muon  $p_T > 10$  GeV/c.
- Online (Level-1) triggering: segments measurements with up to 1 mrad pointing accuracy (Phase-II requirement)

# Muon NSW detector

Two Novel Gaseous Detector Technologies Employed:

- ❑ Resistive Micromesh Gaseous Structure, Micromegas (**MMG**)
- ❑ Resistive cathode Small-strip Thin Gap Chamber (**STGC**)

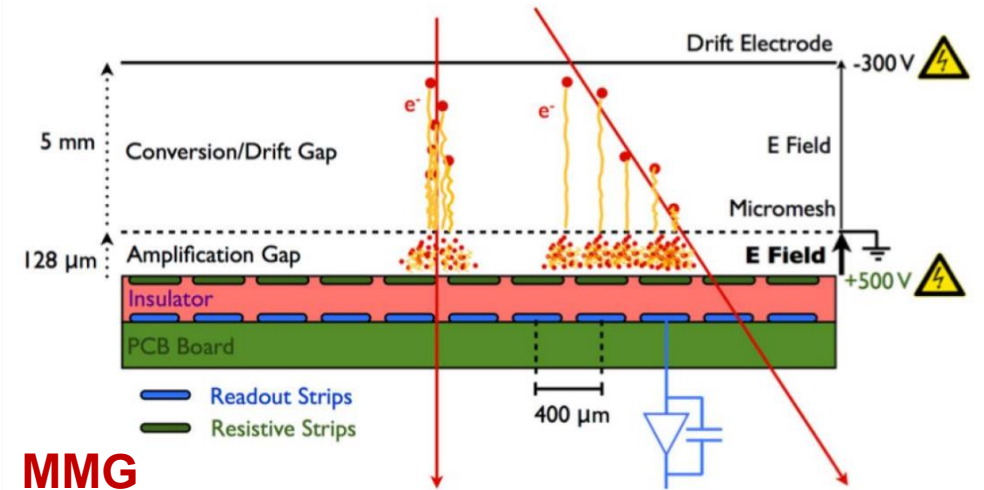


Readout channels (**25x** replaced system):

- MM: ~ 2.1M
- sTGC: ~ 280k (strip) + 46k (pads) + 28k (wires)

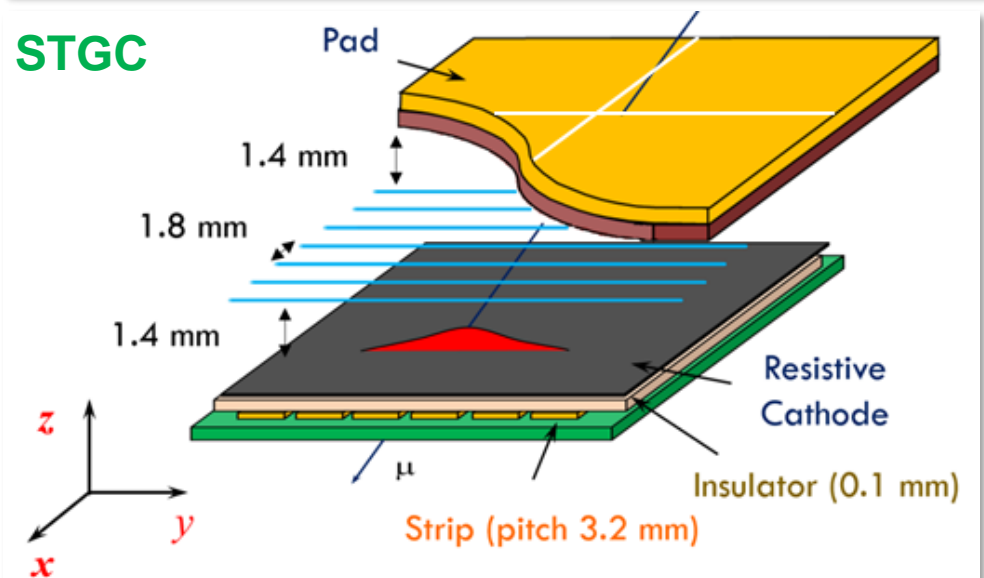
Detector area: ~2400m<sup>2</sup>

## First time construction of large area MPGDs



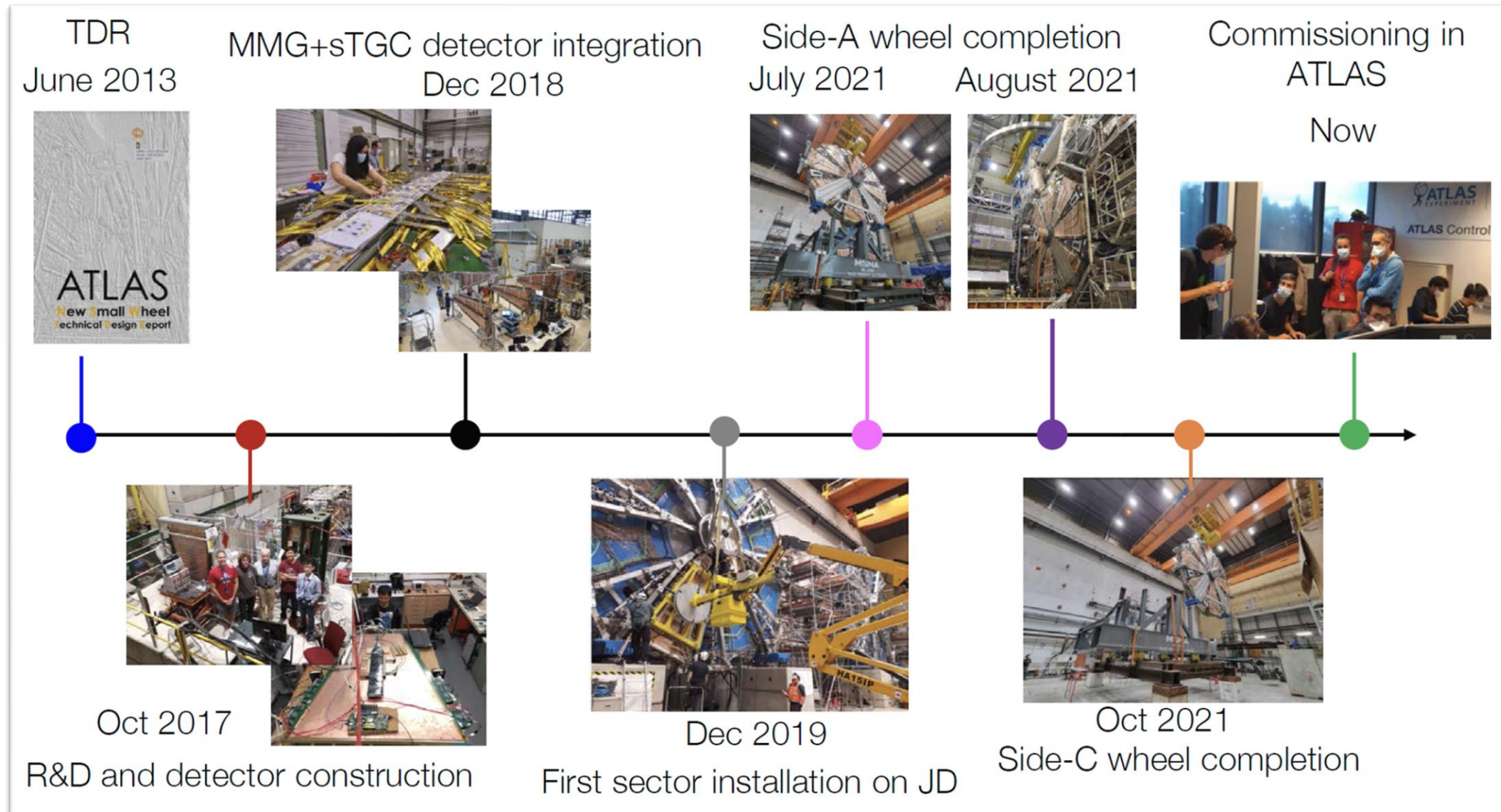
**MMG**

**STGC**



# NSW Timeline:

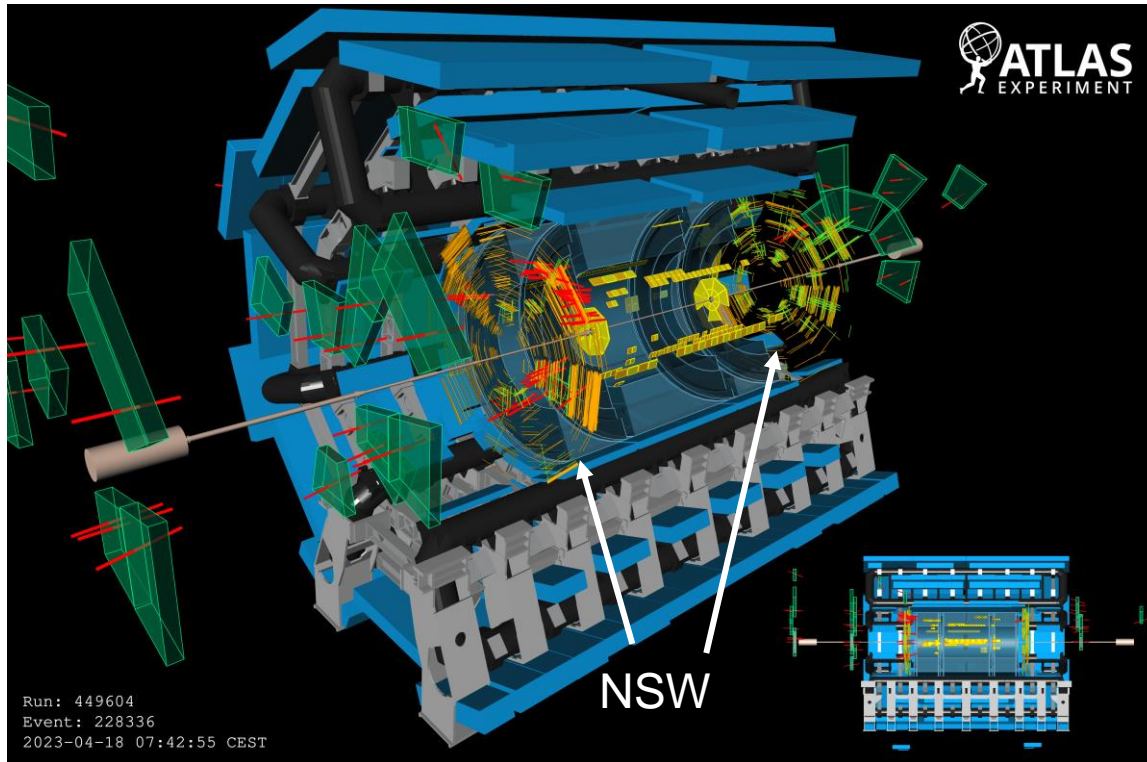
*It will contribute to NEW precision and NEW physics in coming decades!*



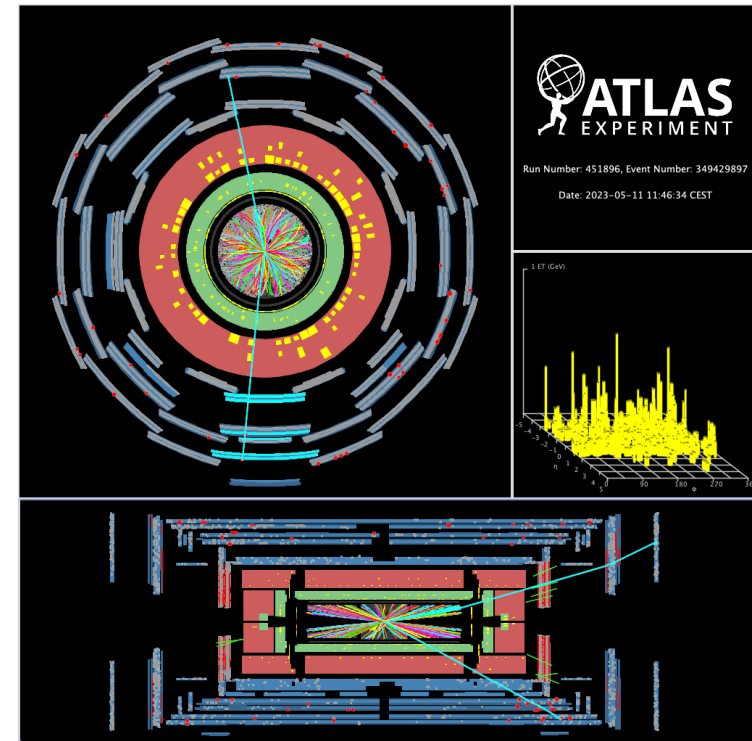


# NSW in the ATLAS detecting system

After over-ten-year efforts, NSW joined the Run-3 ATLAS data-taking on Jul. 5<sup>th</sup> of 2022!



Display of di-muon event recorded with NSW segments

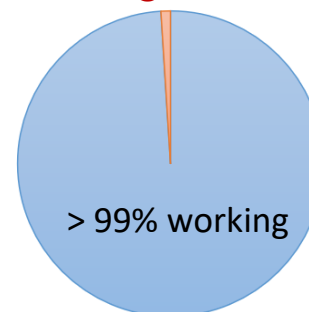


We will now switch to the commission and performance of NSW in Run-3 data

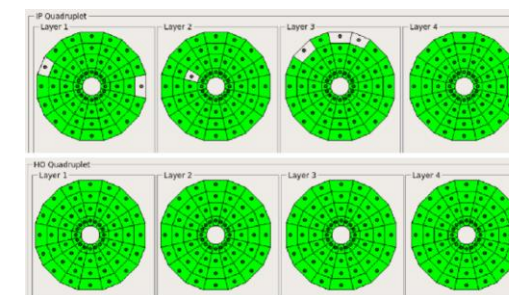
# NSW status in Run-3 data taking

- 99% MMG and 98% STGC HV channels could hold nominal HV with working gas components. MMG Ar:CO<sub>2</sub>:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> (93:5:2); sTGC CO<sub>2</sub>:n-pentane (55:45).
- Cooling, HV and LV are operational with DCS (Detector Control System)
- Both NSWs are interfaced in ATLAS DAQ for data-taking

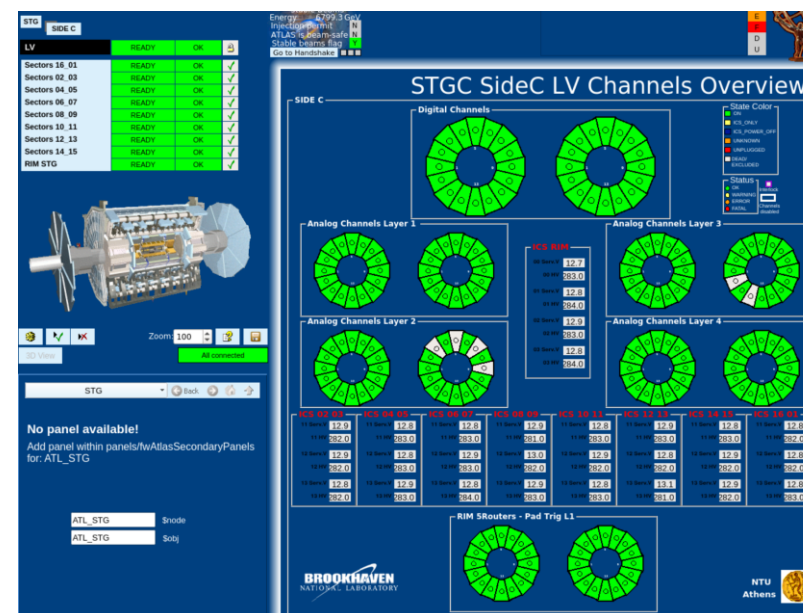
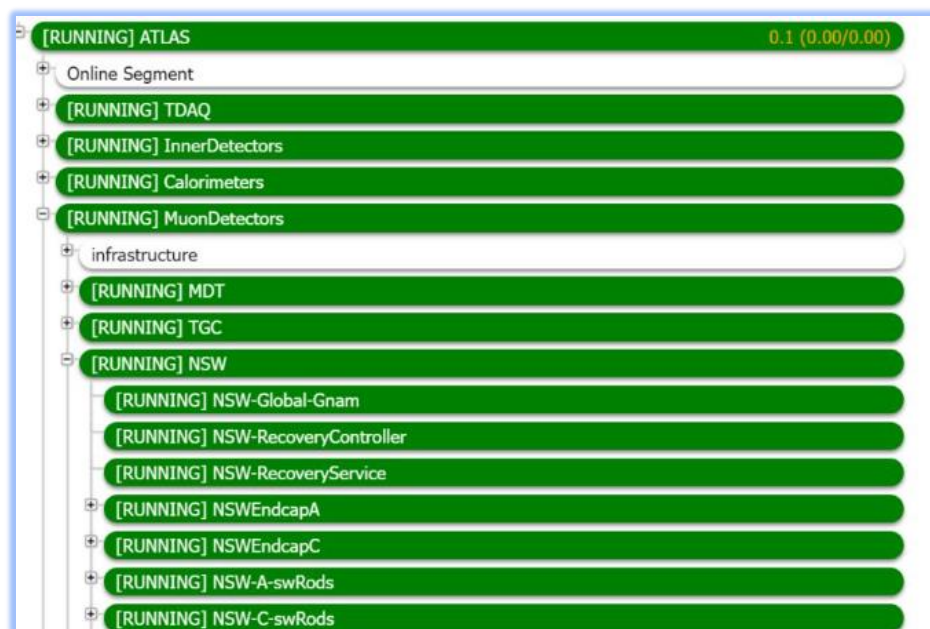
## MMG HV general status



## STGC HV Status side C



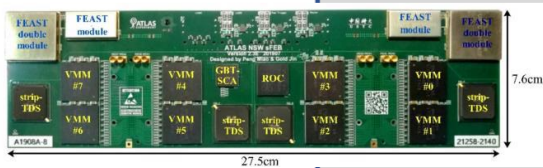
## Inclusion of NSW DCS in the ATLAS DCS main panel



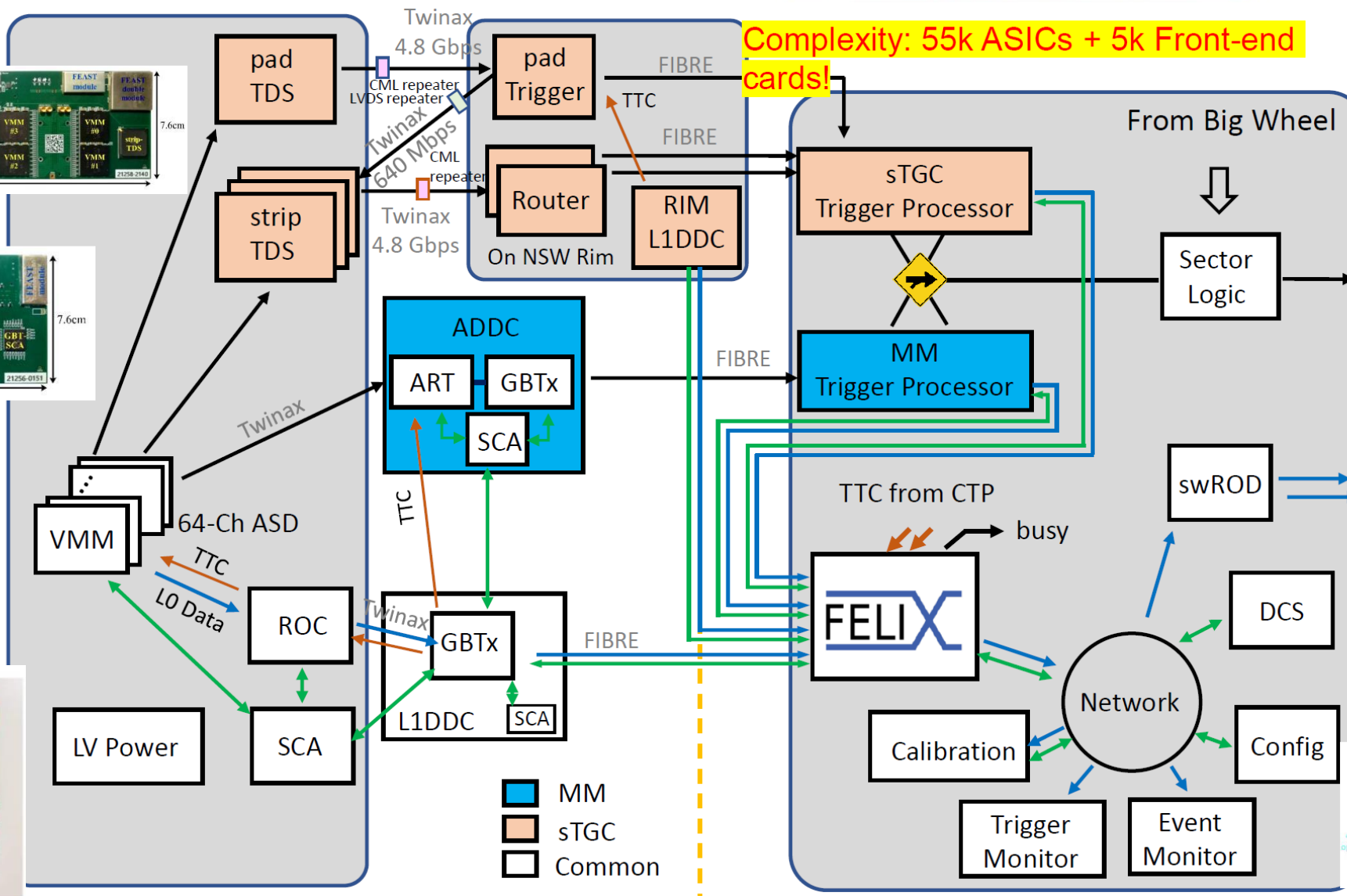
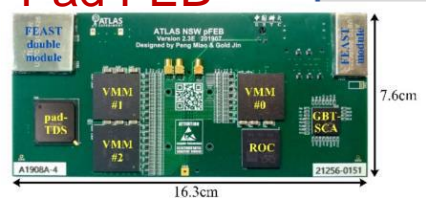
- Control and Monitoring for:
- Detector HV
  - Electronics LV
  - T-sensor
  - B-sensor
  - Cooling, Gas
  - ...



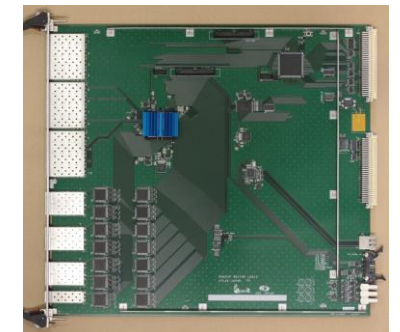
### Strip FEB



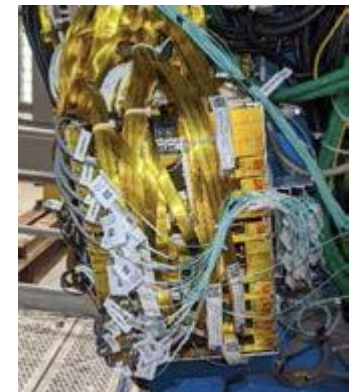
### Pad FEB



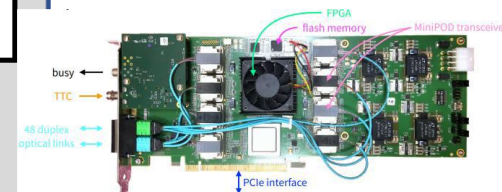
Complexity: 55k ASICs + 5k Front-end cards!



### Rim Electronics



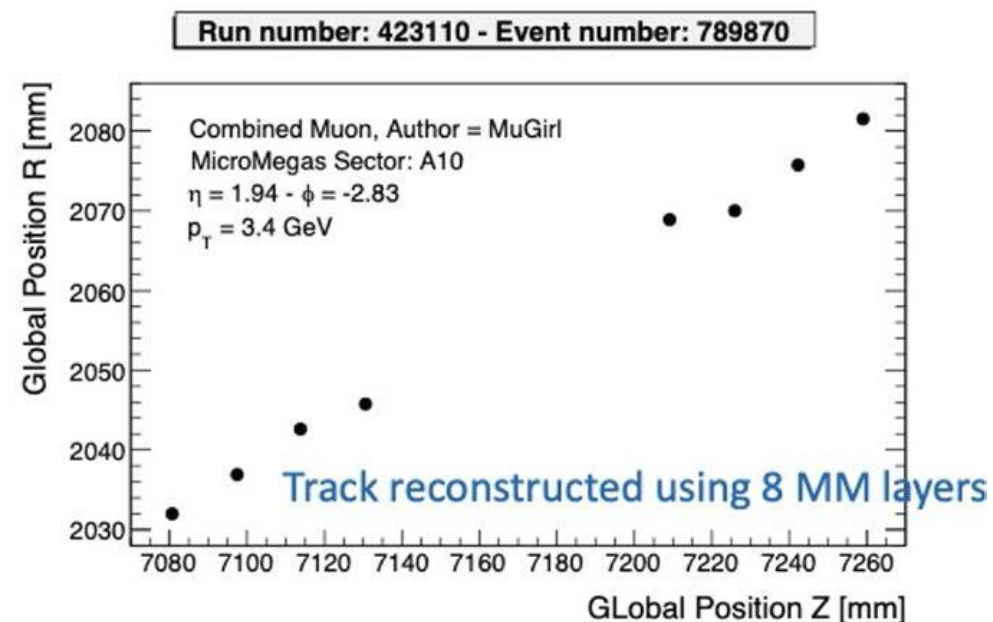
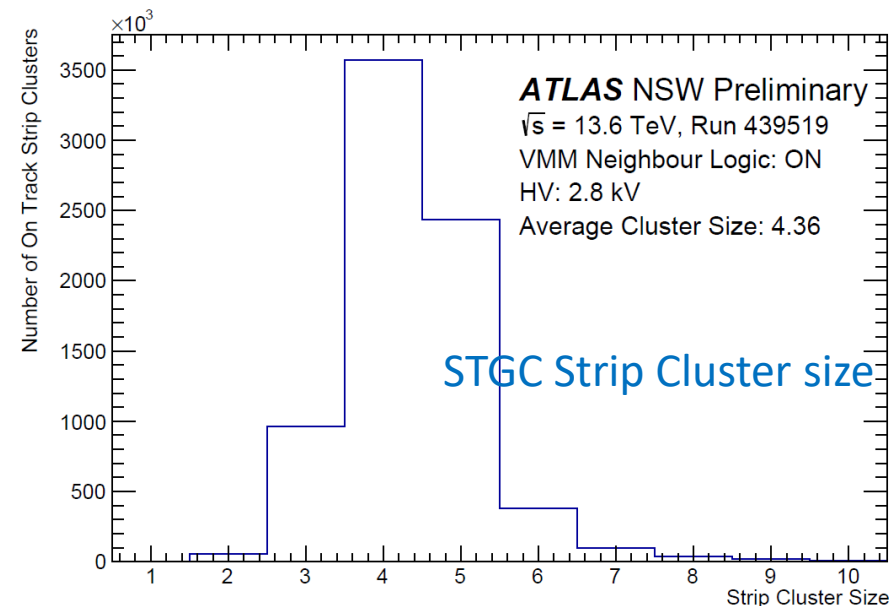
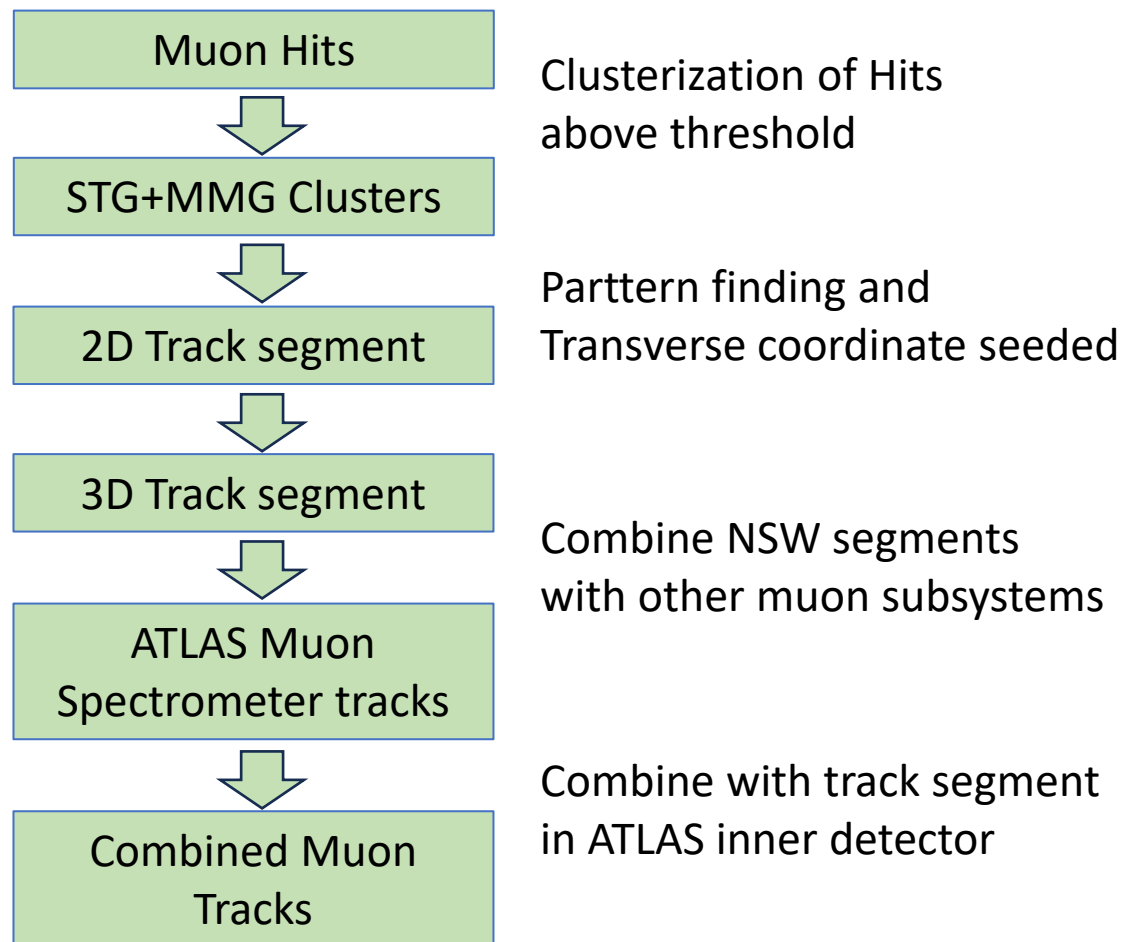
### Felix Card





# Muon Reconstruction with NSW

The NSW is fully integrated into the ATLAS muon reconstruction software (ATHENA).



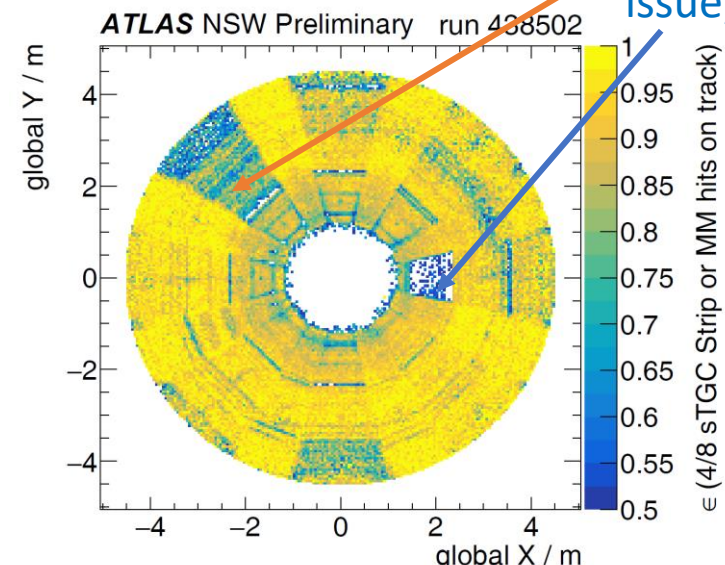


# NSW preliminary performance in Run-3 data

In-situ detector/DAQ  
issue; fixed in YETS

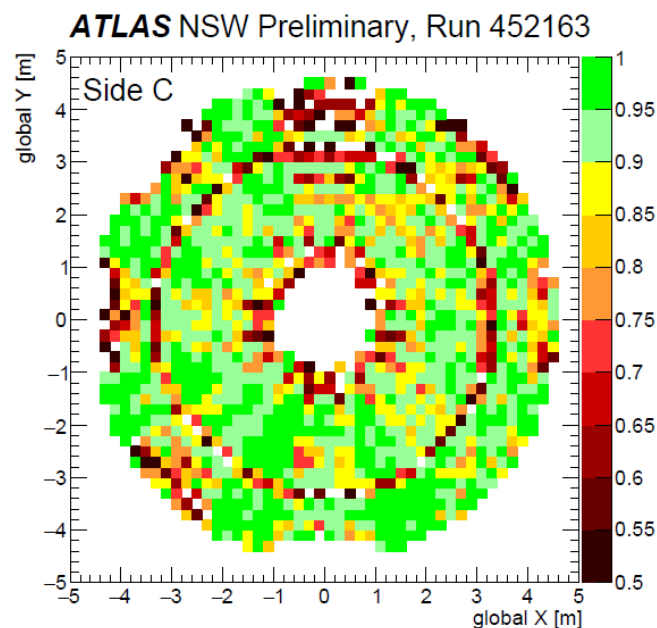
The inclusion of NSW in Run-3 demanded unbelievable expertise and efforts; the commission demands further long-term commitment and the understanding is developing.

Various performances in early Run3 (2022) will be illustrated first, many have been significantly improved **during Year-End Technical Stops (YETS)**.

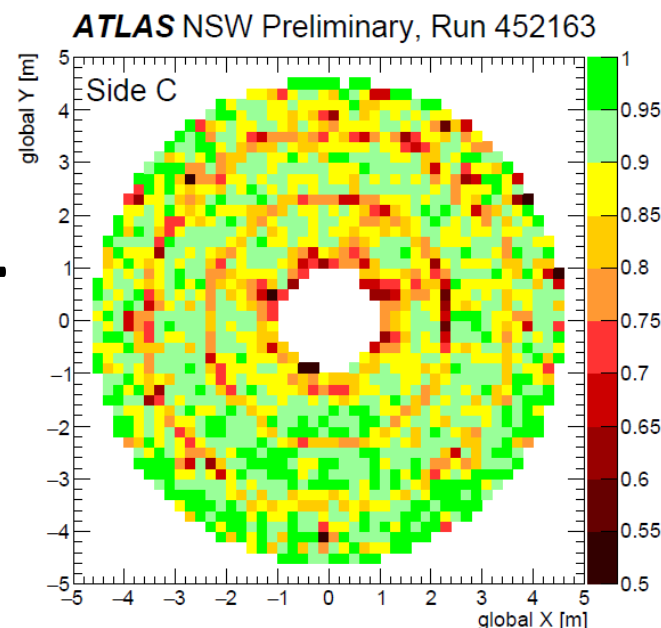


MMG in 2023

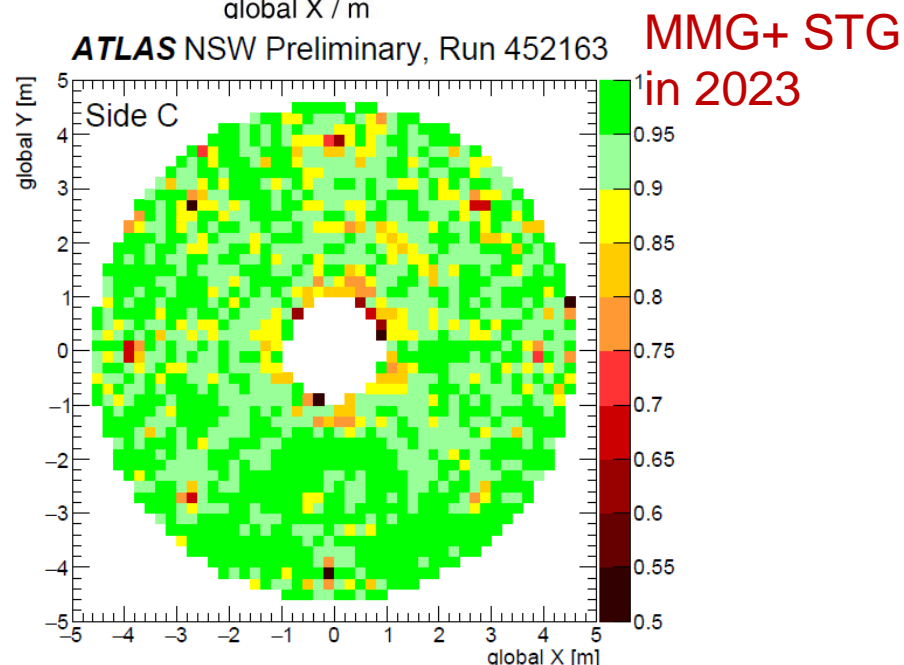
STG in 2023



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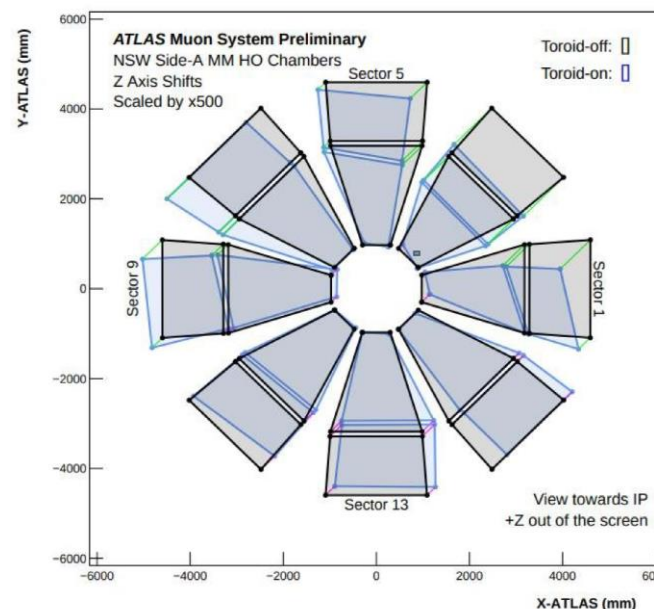


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# Alignment & Resolution

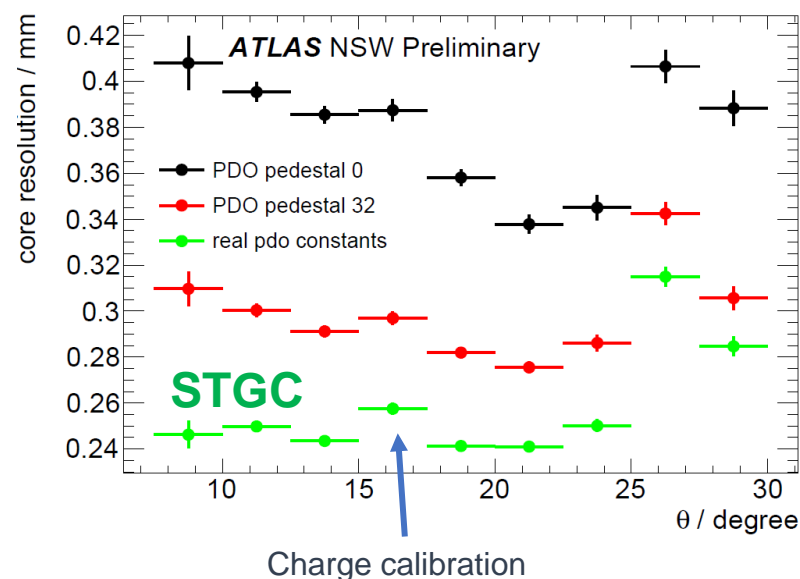
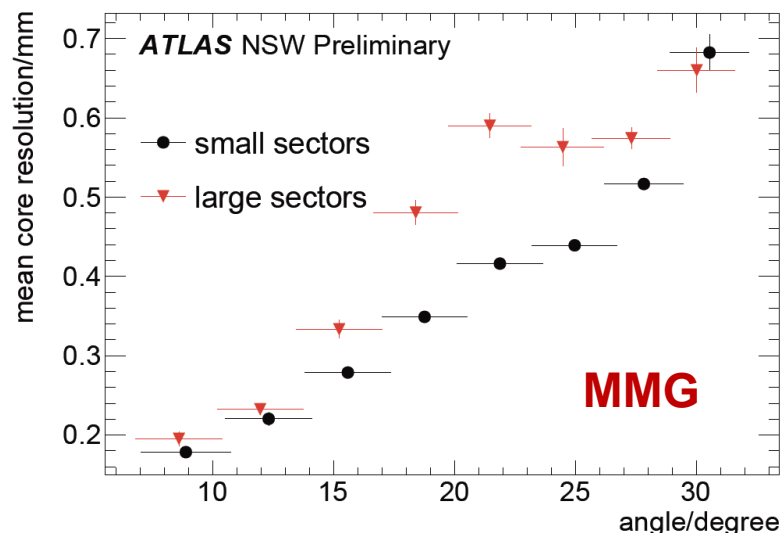
NSW MMG Z shifts by the alignment system



An **optical based alignment system** installed and commissioned for tracking the movement, deformation of the NSW detectors.

Detailed studies are continuous to understand the detector movement and NSW alignment performance with offline tracks, benefiting from dedicated Toroid-off Alignment Runs

## Preliminary resolution performance



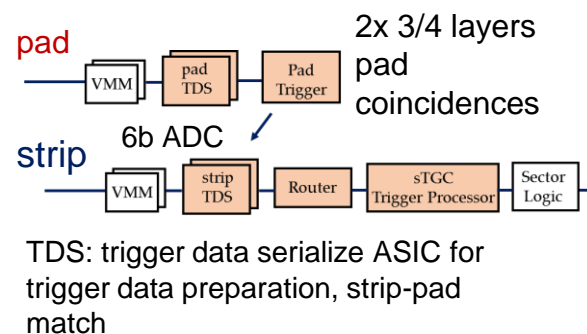
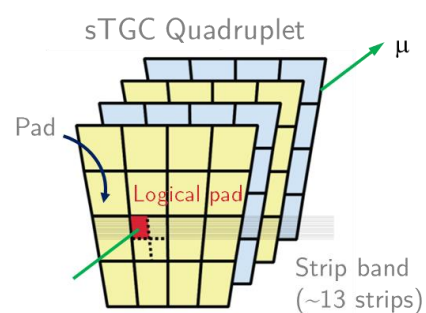
spoiled by effects from the **residual misalignments** and the **as-built geometry** that are currently under study

Absence of corrections degraded the resolution (worse with higher angles).

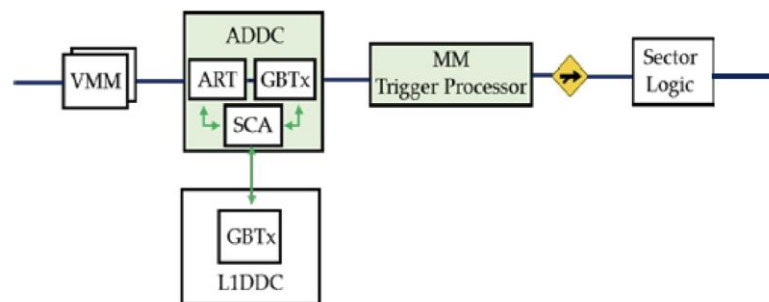
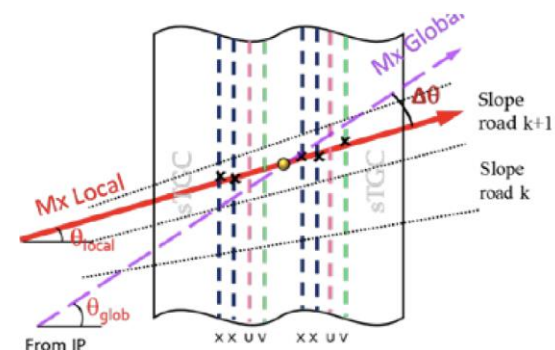
Optimized and **closer to target resolution** in data taking 2023.

# NSW and Level-1 trigger:

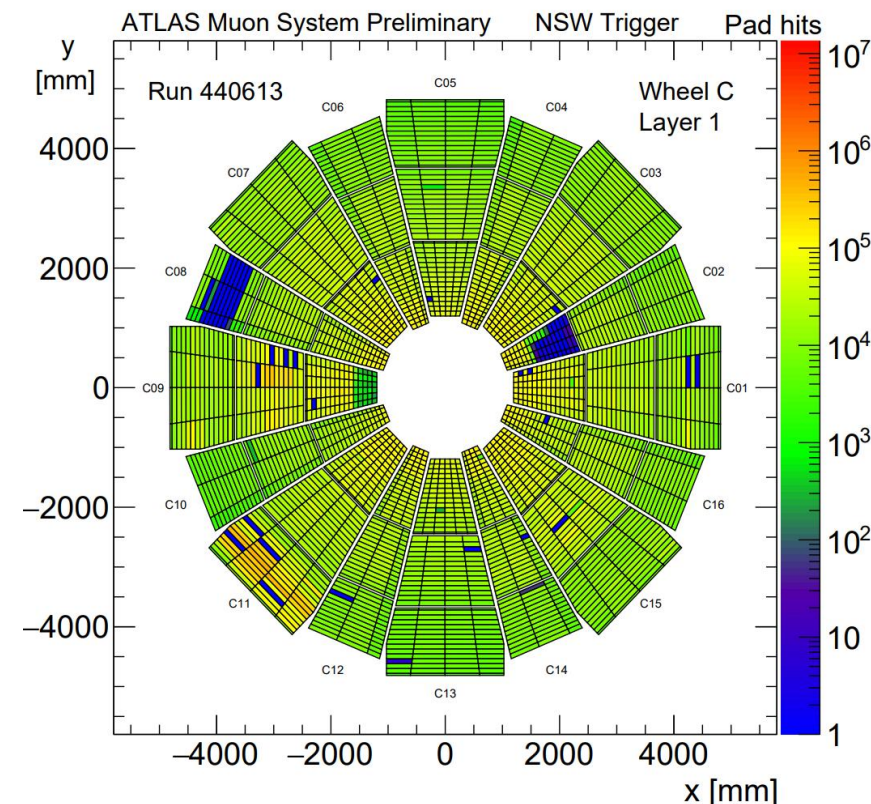
**sTGC** in Level-1 Trigger: pad coincidences to define a smaller region of interest and select fast charge information from a band of strips for centroid reconstruction.



**MMG** in Level-1 Trigger: reconstruct slopes pointing to IP based on addresses of earliest threshold-crossing strips among multiple layers.



## Pad trigger occupancy



Full Trigger Chain has been successfully integrated into Level-1 trigger very recently to release the high-rate pressure and improve efficiency in end-cap.



# Summary

The New Small Wheel upgrade:

- **largest ATLAS phase-I upgrade project.**
- Improving the Level-1 muon trigger and tracking in the ATLAS forward region towards HL-LHC runs.

NSW with two innovative sub-detectors, Micromegas (MMG) and small-strip Thin Gap Chambers (STGC)

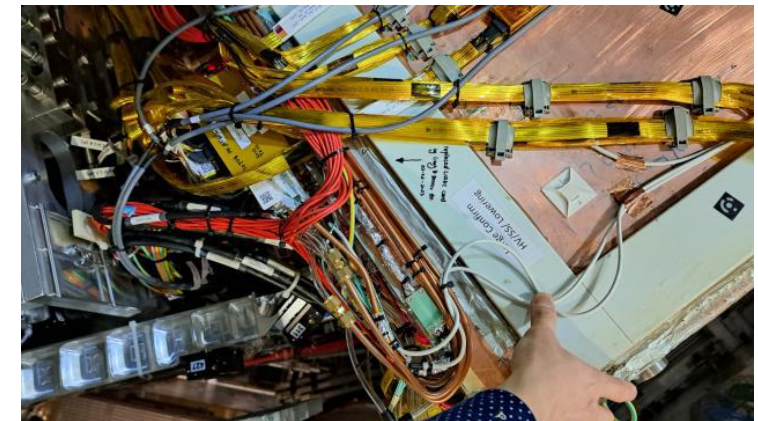
- fully commissioned and installed in the ATLAS cavern: **Milestone for ATLAS during LHC Long Shutdown 2.**

NSW joined the ATLAS Run-3 data taking in the very first day with solid performance during months of data taking!

- Already significantly improved the end-cap L1 trigger in recent runs.

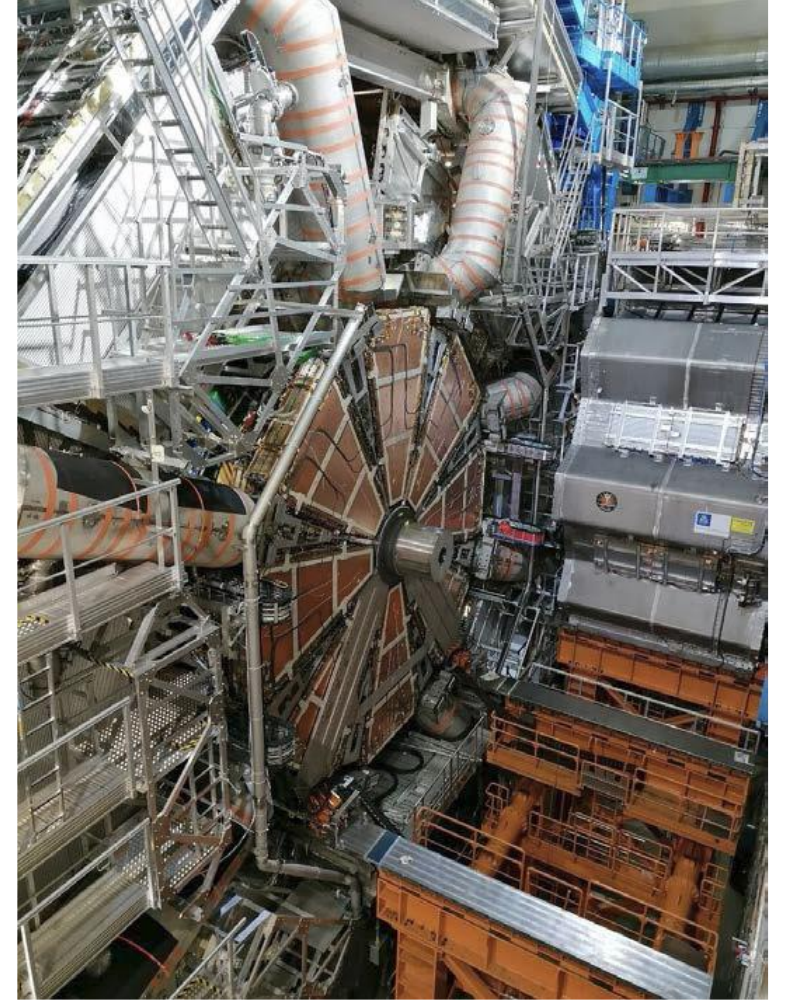
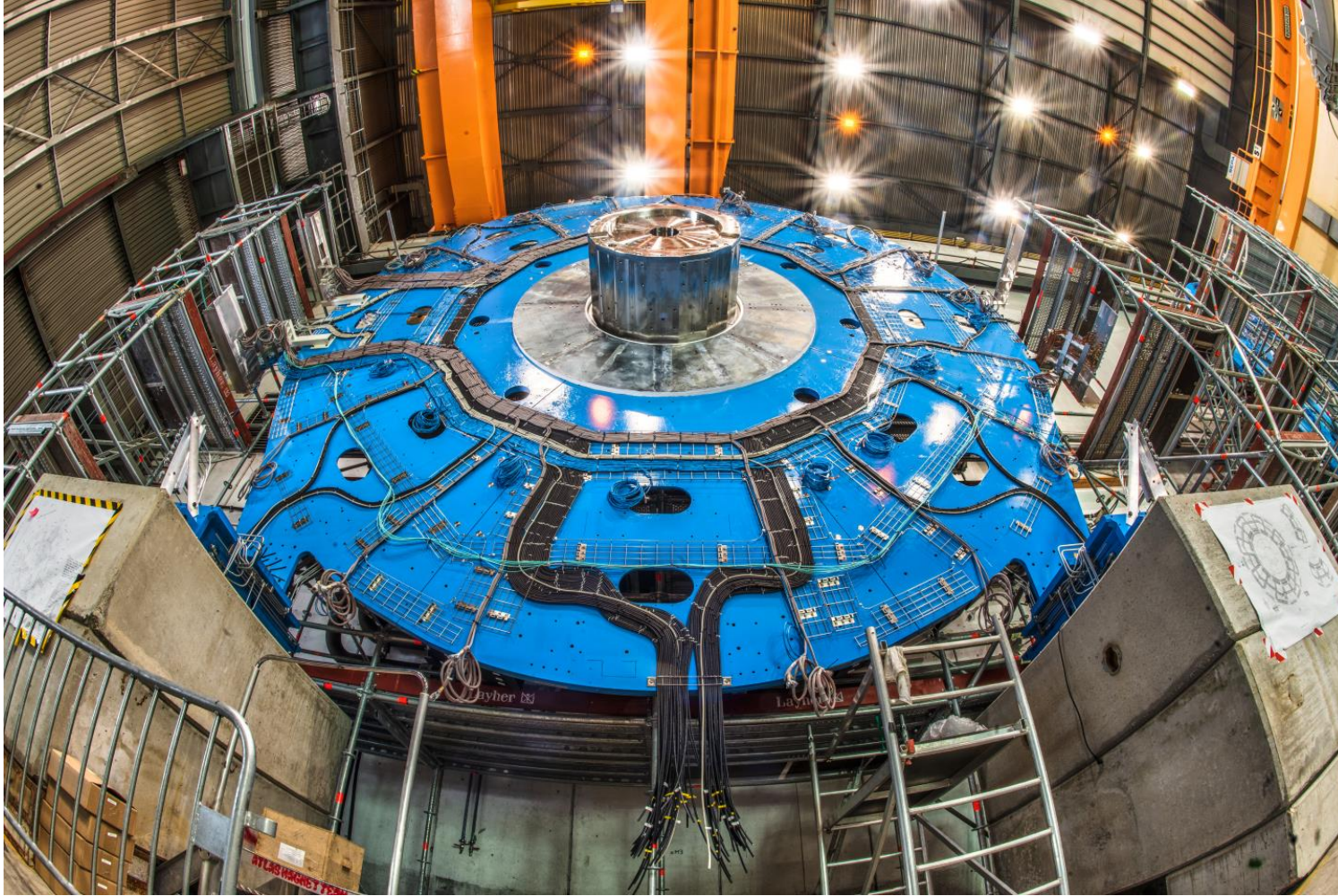
*Challenges and opportunities ahead with more data and higher quality !*

The performance has been significantly upgraded during YETS based on the experience of data 2022.





# Backup

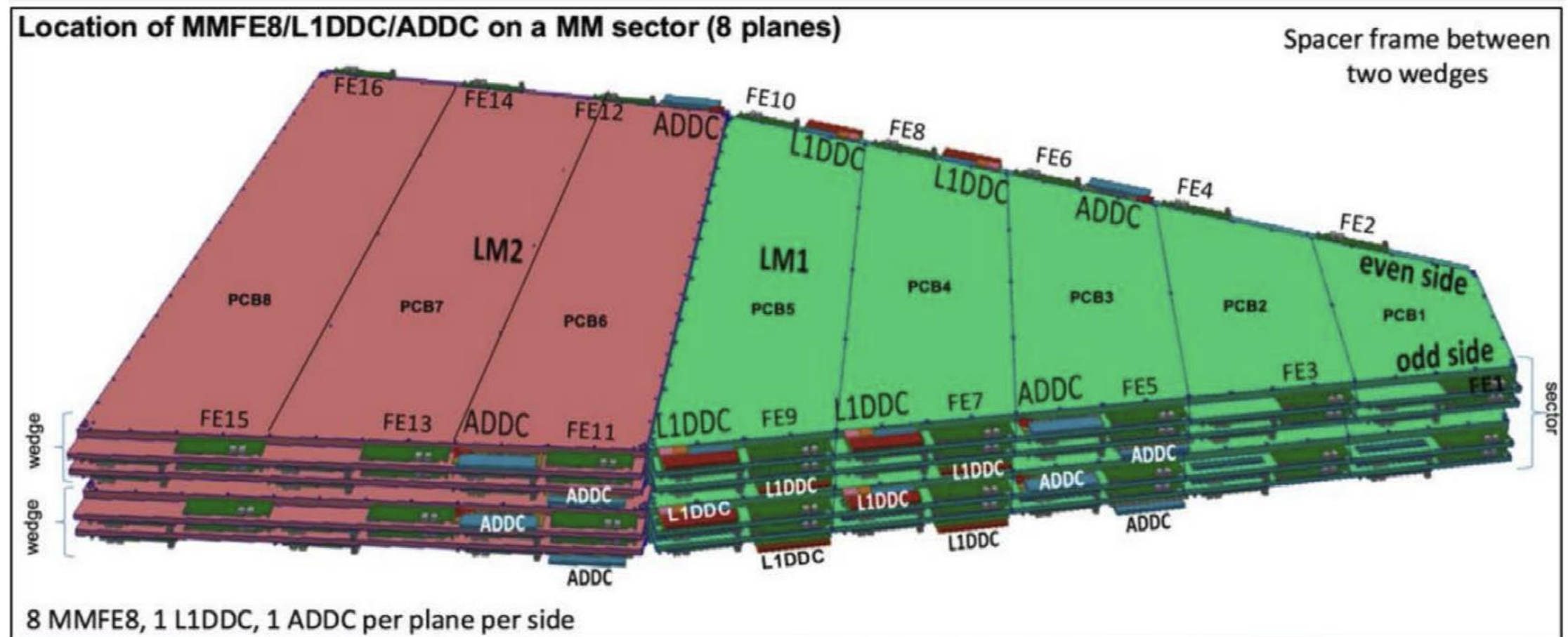






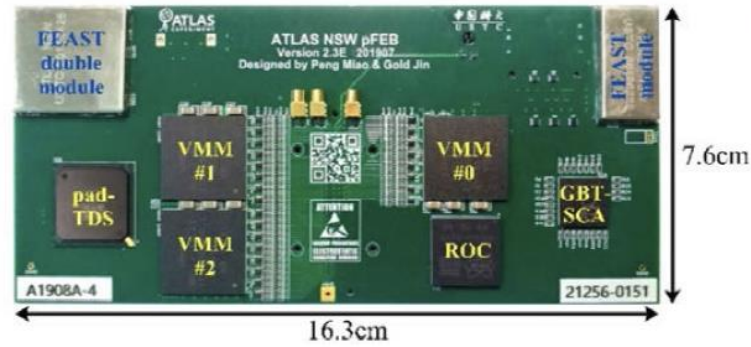


# Backup: MMG electronics

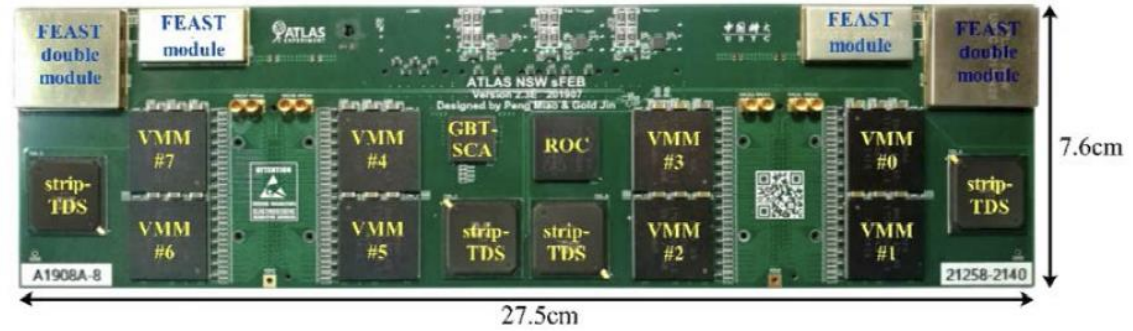


# Backup: STGC electronics

pFEB



sFEB



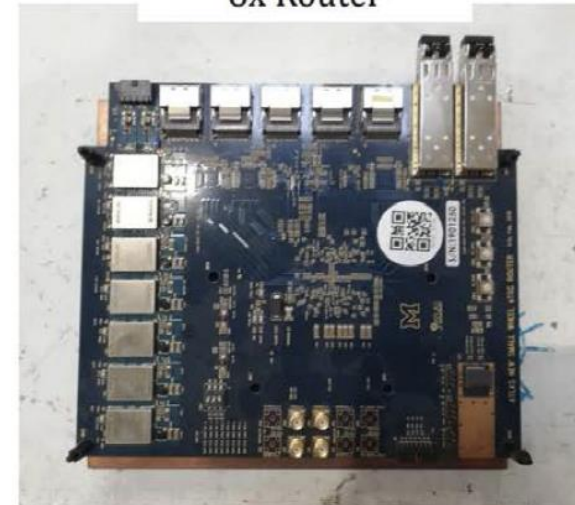
Pad Trigger Board



Rim L1DDC

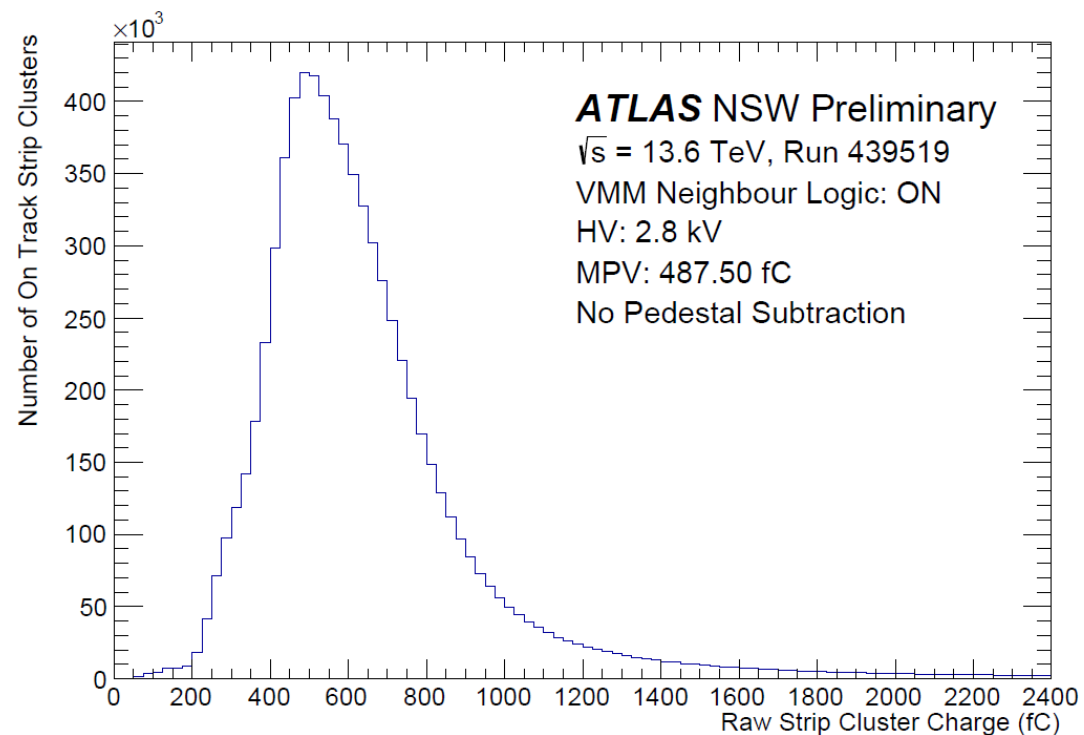


8x Router

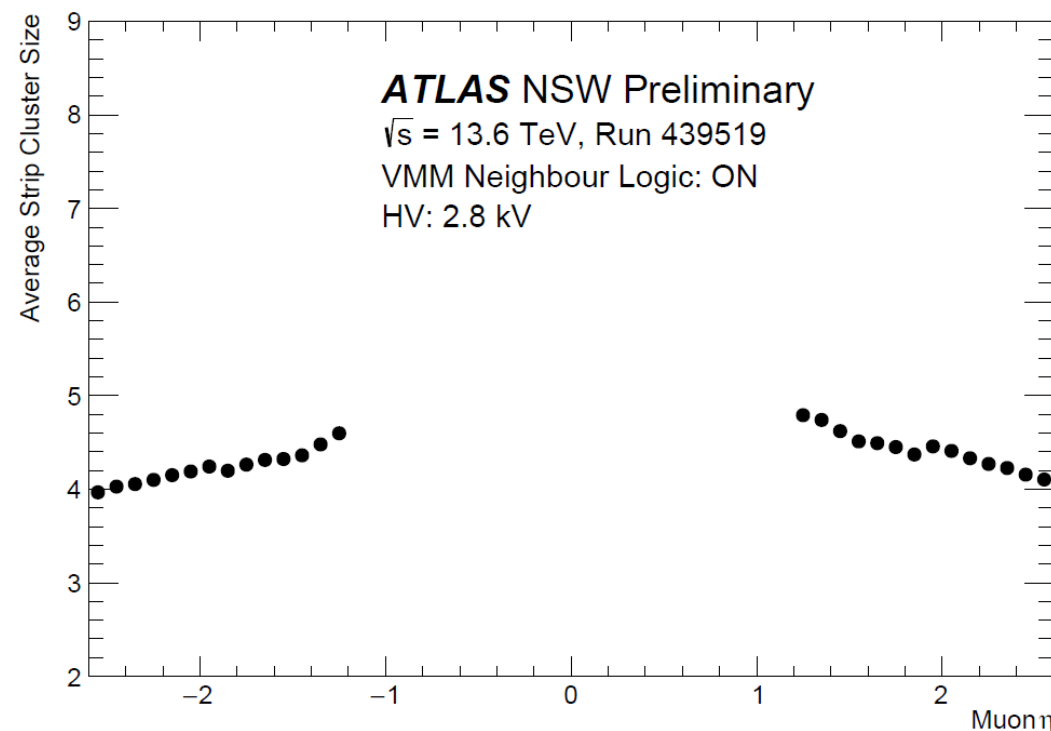


# Backup: sTGC performance

## Raw sTGC Strip Cluster Charge



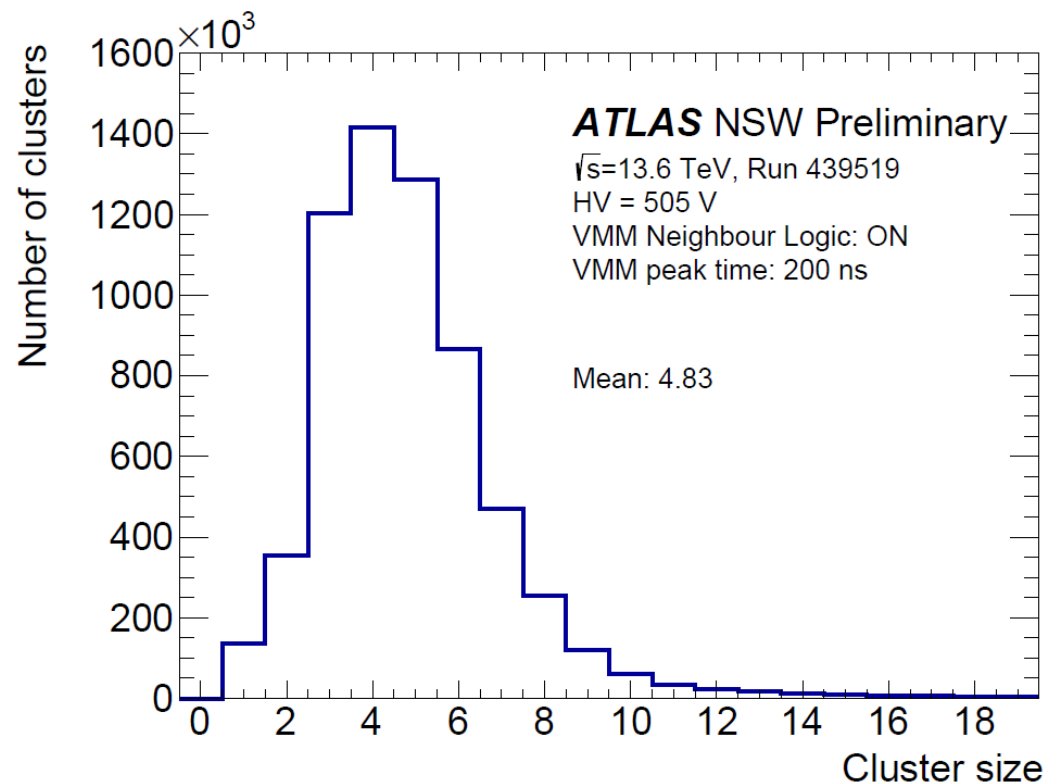
## sTGC Strip Cluster Size vs muon $\eta$



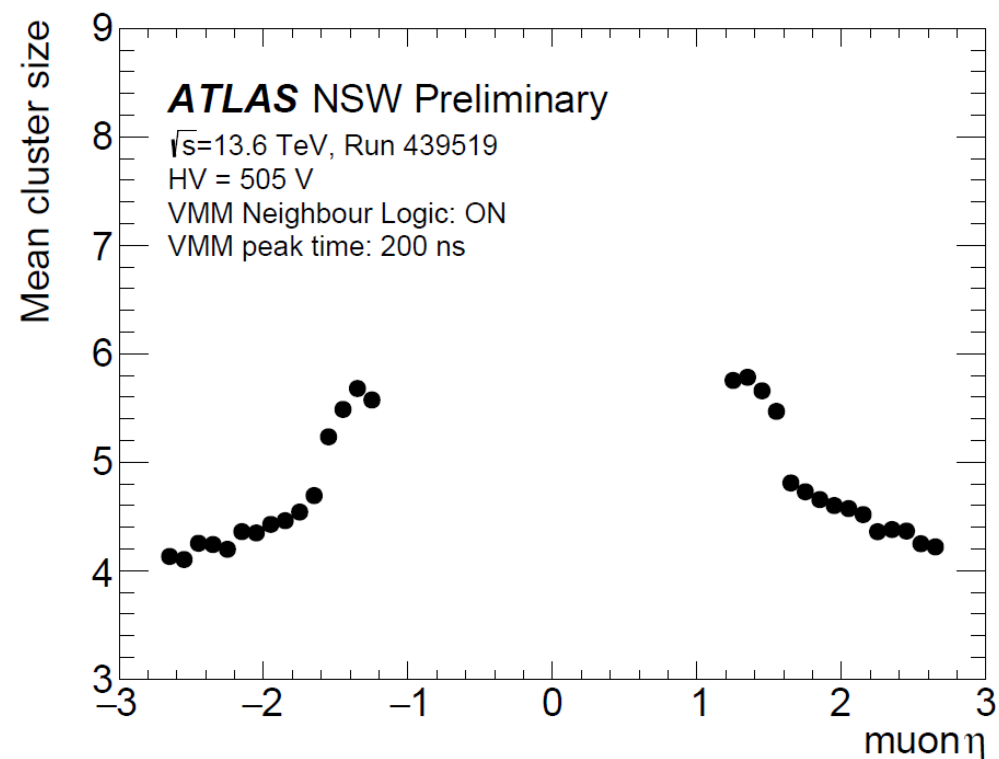


# Backup: MMG performance

## MM Cluster Size



## MM Cluster Size vs muon $\eta$



# NSW preliminary performance in 2022 data

