

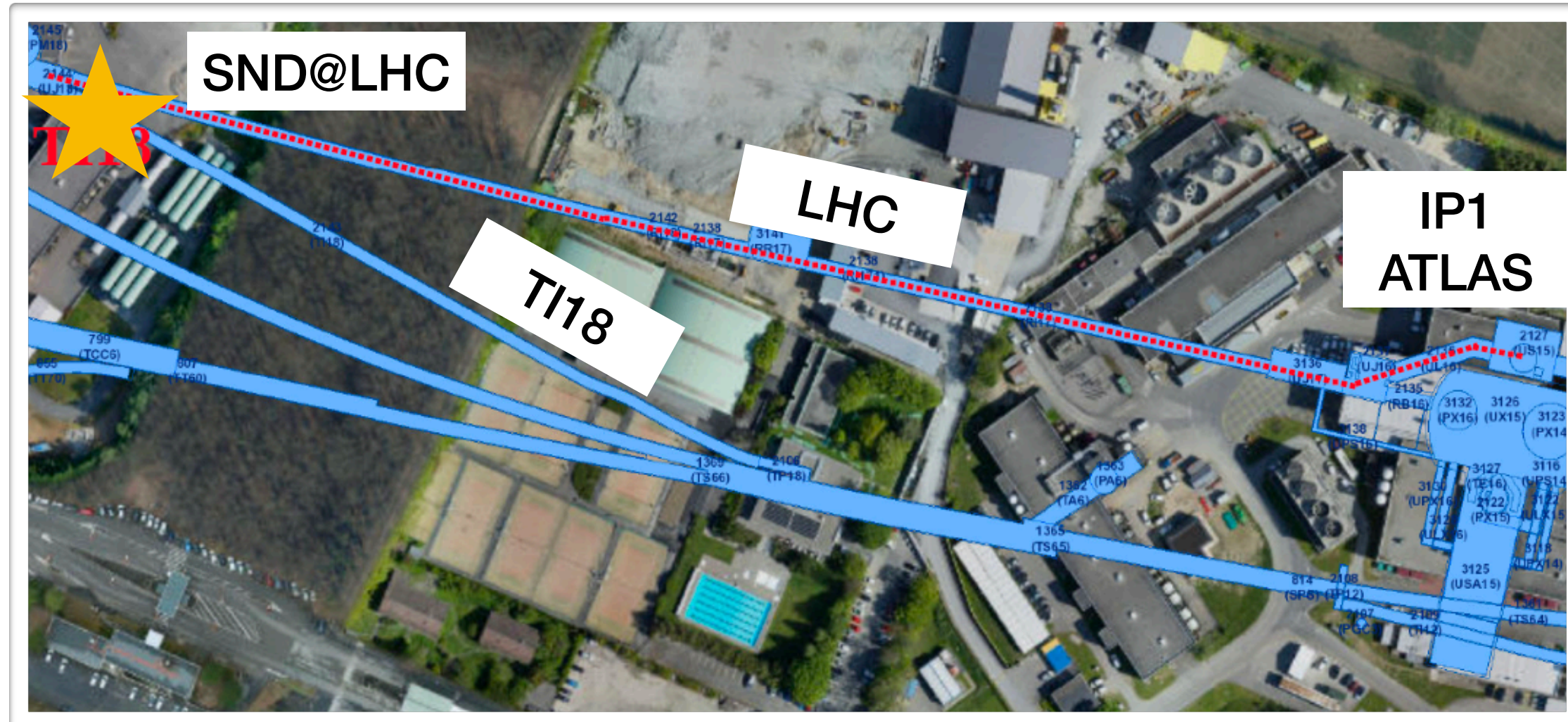
SND@LHC UPGRADE TOWARDS HL-LHC



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LOCATION



- ▶ Charged particles deflected by LHC magnets
- ▶ Shielding from the IP provided by 100 m rock
- ▶ Angular acceptance: $7.2 < \eta < 8.4$
- ▶ First phase: operation in Run 3

- ▶ About 480 m away from the ATLAS IP
- ▶ Tunnel TI18: former service tunnel connecting SPS to LEP
- ▶ Symmetric to TI12 tunnel where FASER is located



SND@LHC in the TI18 tunnel

THE SND@LHC CONCEPT

Hybrid detector optimised for the identification of three neutrino flavours and for the detection of feebly interacting particles

Angular acceptance: $7.2 < \eta < 8.6$

Target material: Tungsten

Target mass: 830 kg

Surface: 390x390 mm²

VETO PLANE:

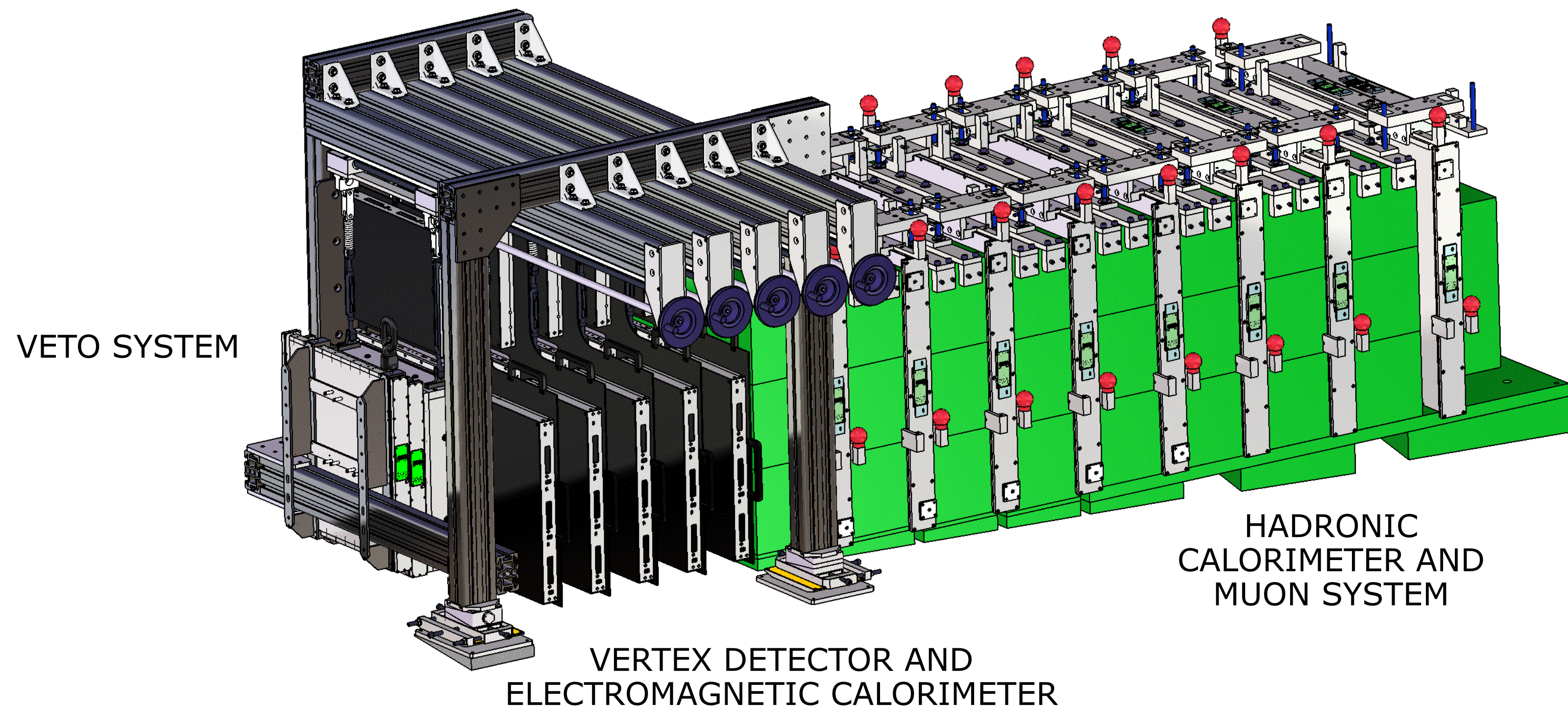
tag penetrating muons

TARGET REGION + ECAL:

- Emulsion cloud chambers (Emulsion+Tungsten) for neutrino interaction detection
- Scintillating fibers for timing information and energy measurement

MUON SYSTEM + HCAL:

iron walls interleaved with plastic scintillator planes for fast time resolution and energy measurement



Electromagnetic calorimeter
~40 X_0

Hadronic calorimeter
~10 λ

Physics with neutrinos:

1. Measurement of the $pp \rightarrow \nu_e X$ cross-section
2. Heavy flavour production in pp collisions
3. Lepton flavour universality in neutrino interactions
4. Measurement of the NC/CC ratio as consistency check

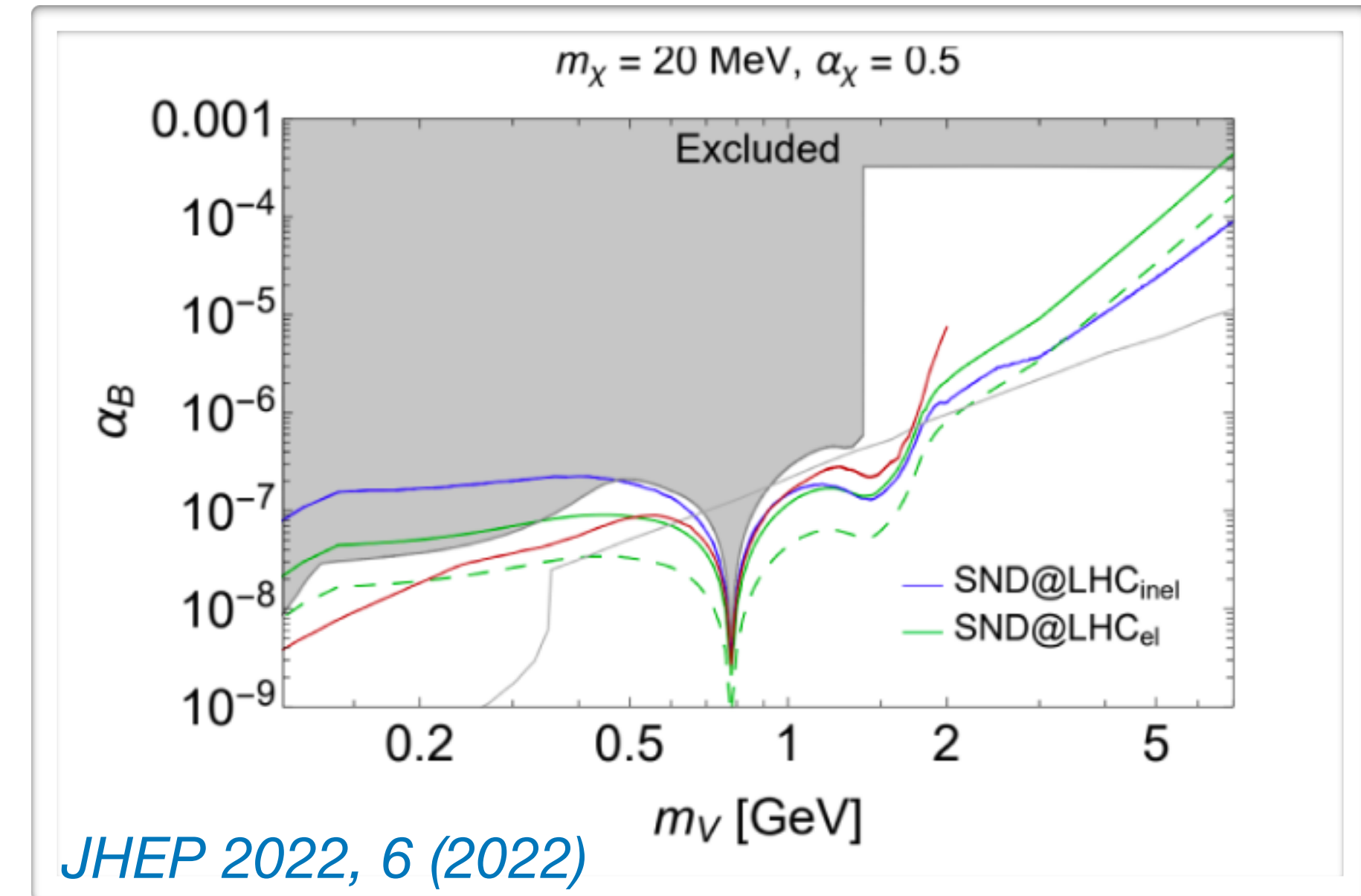
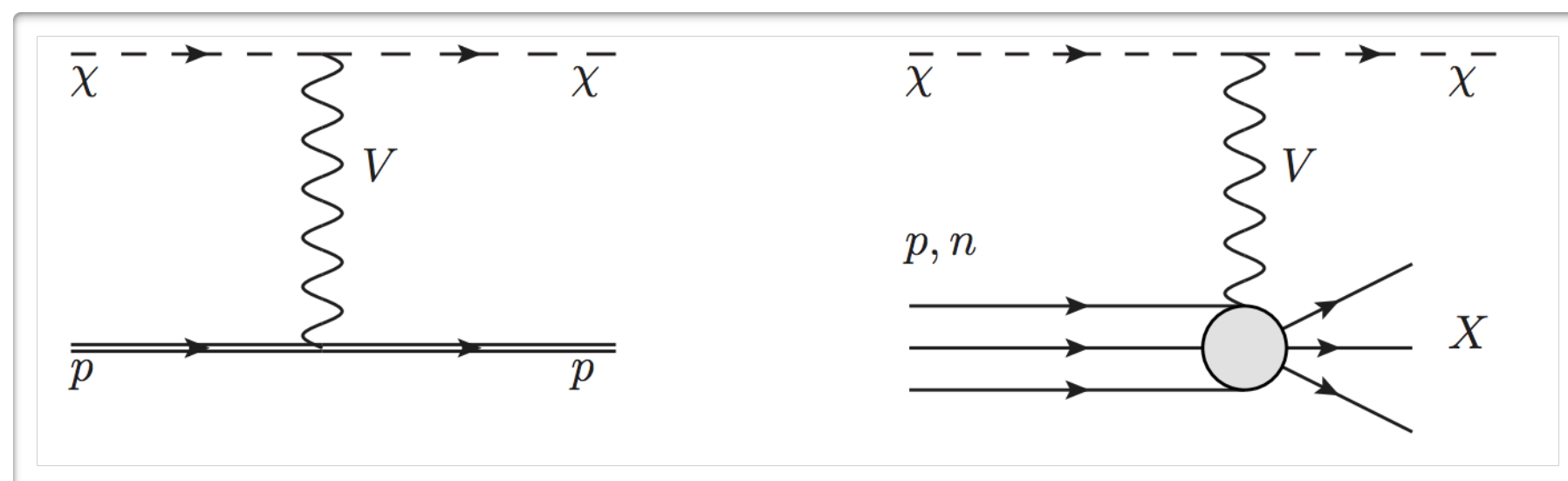
Measurement	Uncertainty	
	Stat.	Sys.
$pp \rightarrow \nu_e X$ cross-section	5%	15%
Charmed hadron yield	5%	35%
ν_e/ν_τ ratio for LFU test	30%	20%
ν_e/ν_μ ratio for LFU test	10%	10%

Beyond Standard Model physics:

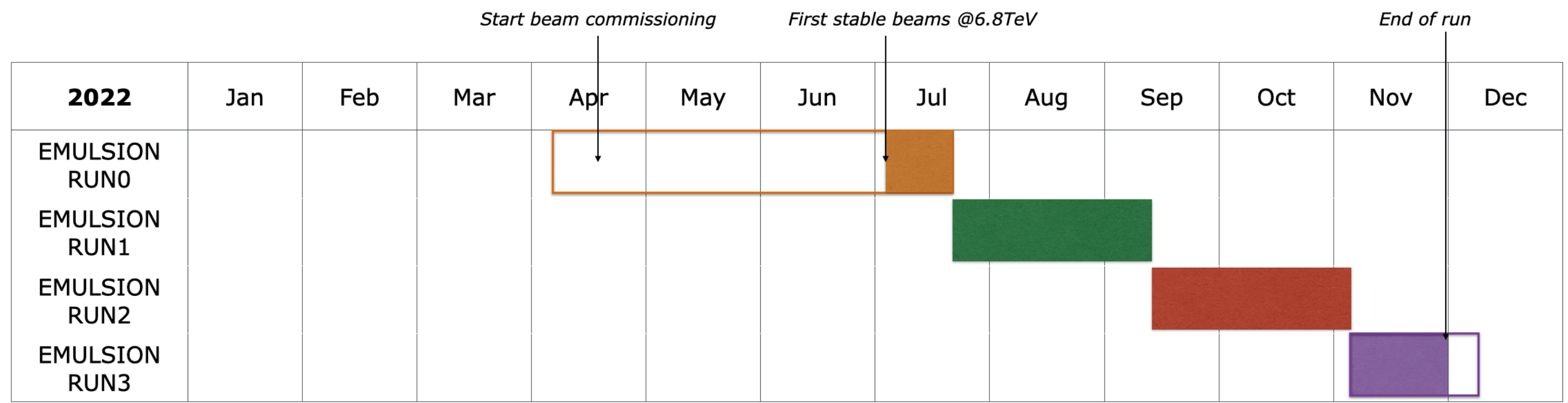
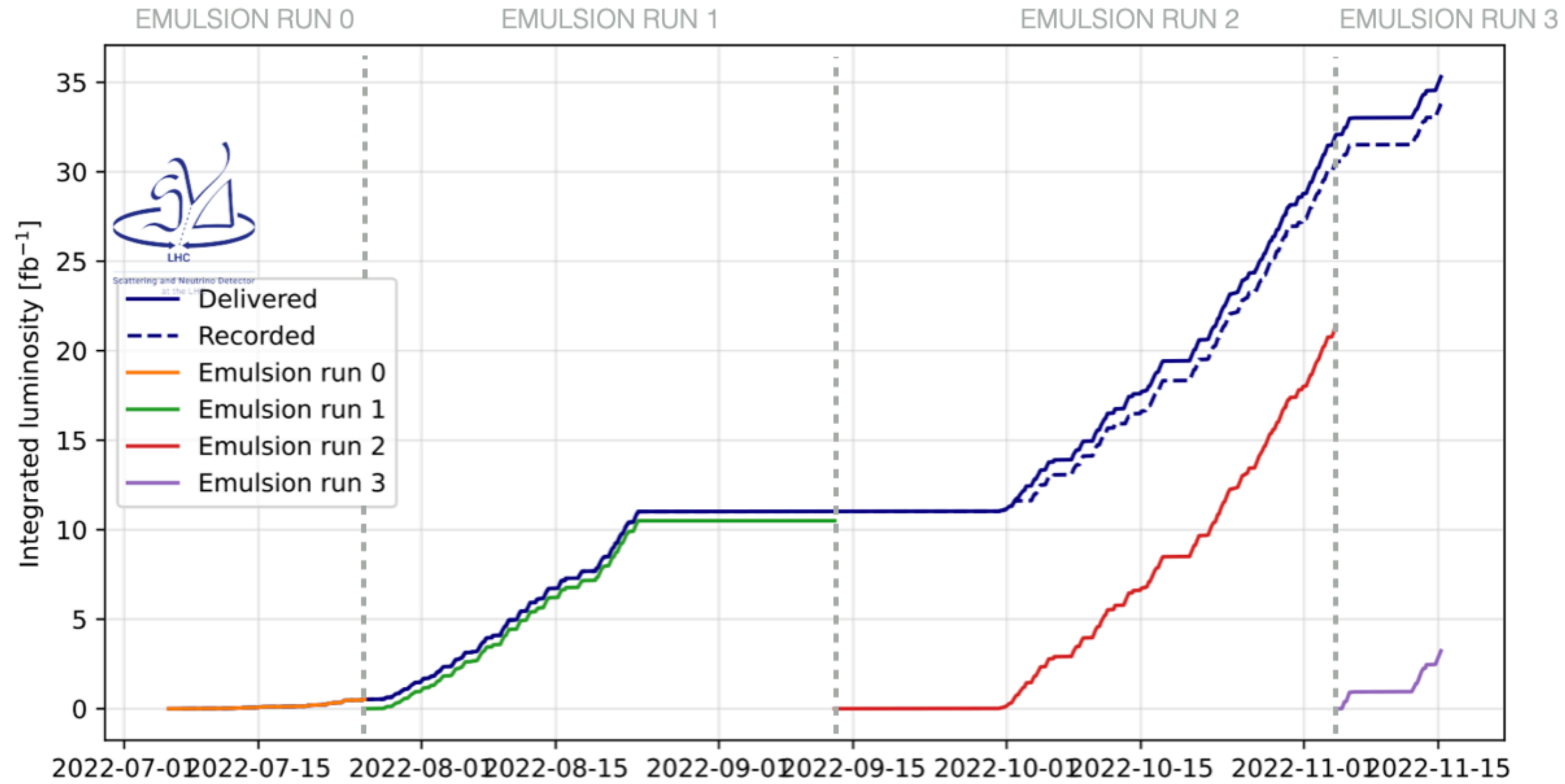
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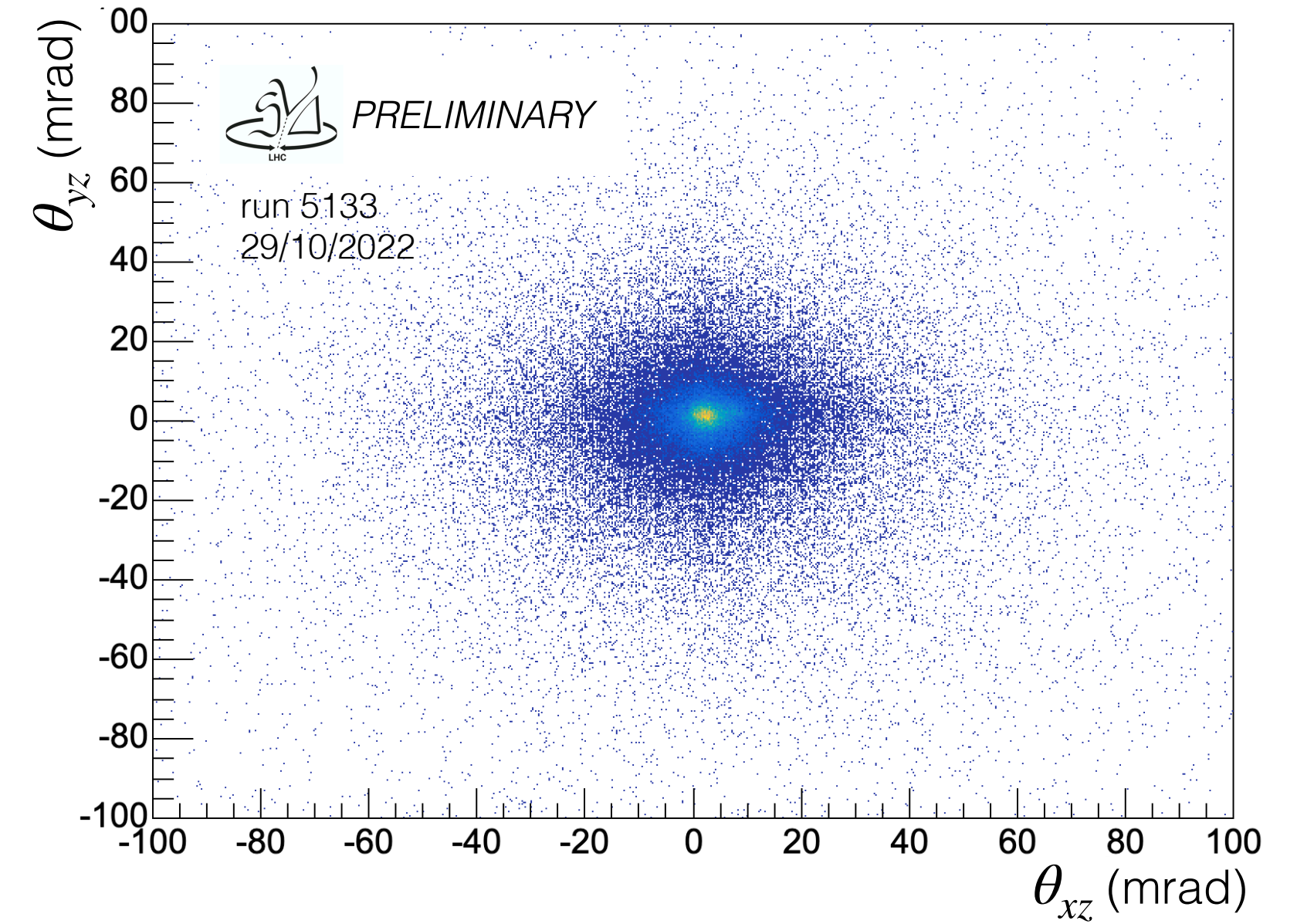
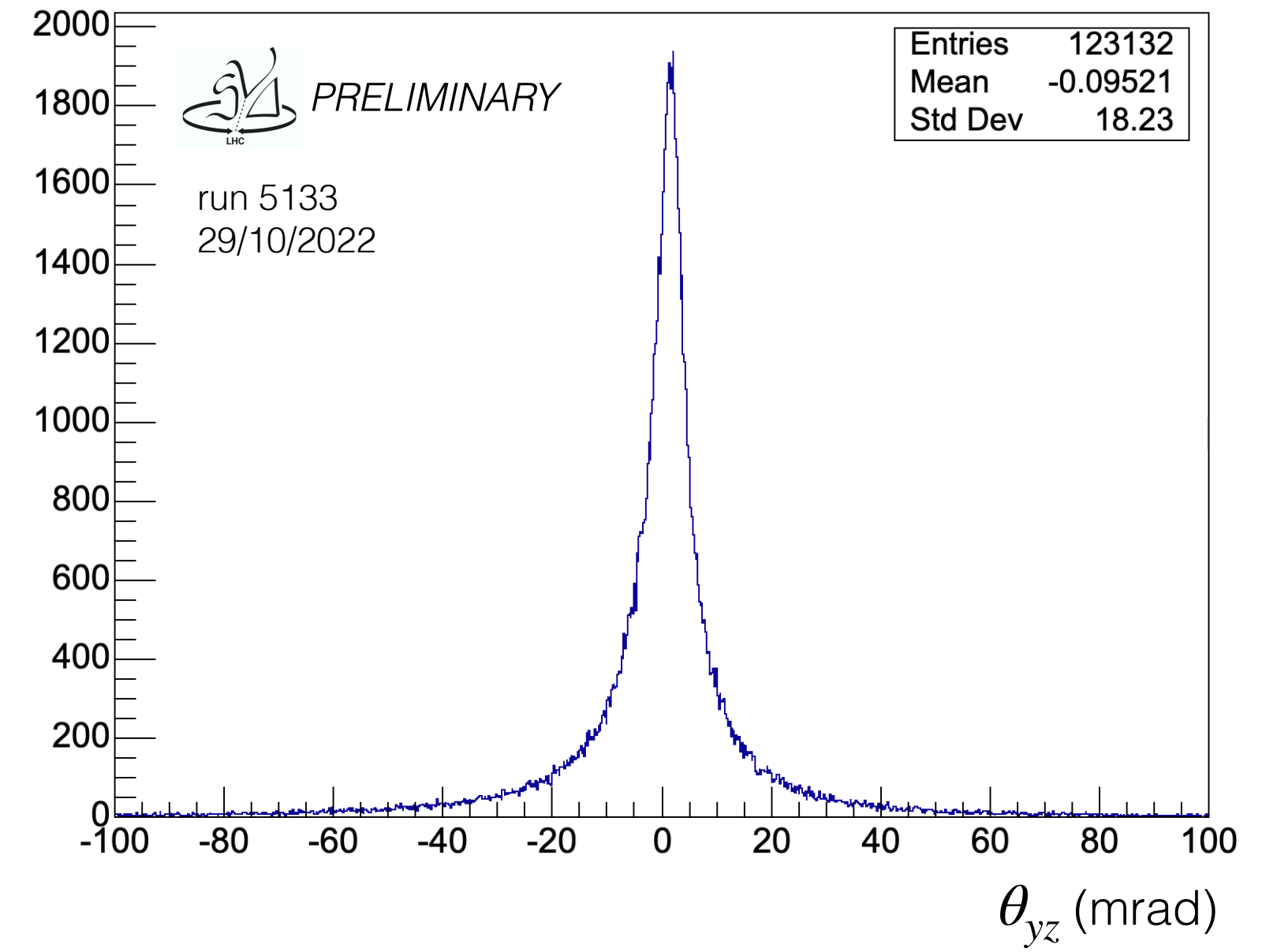
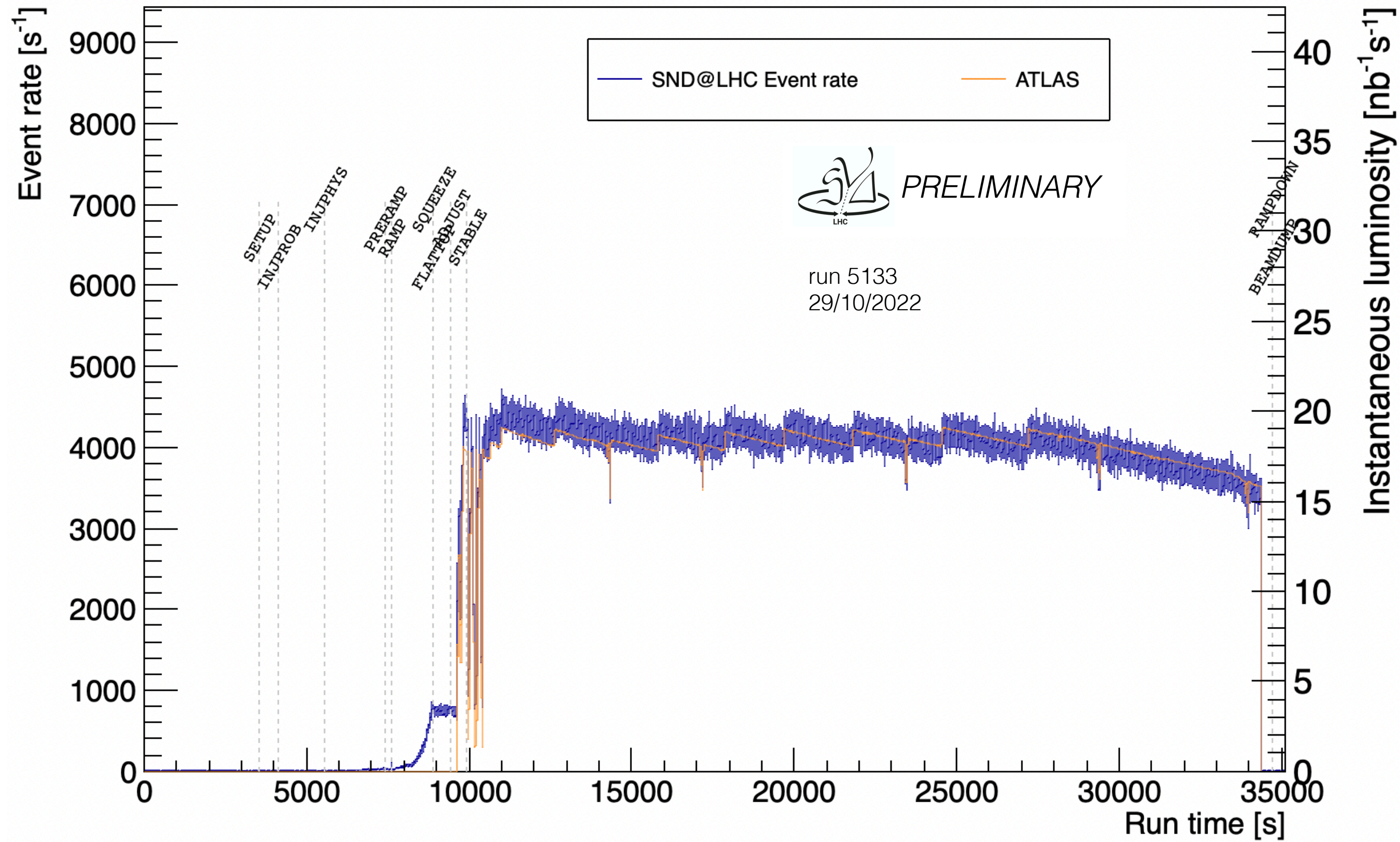


RUN3 DATA TAKING



INTEGRATED LUMINOSITY
0.5 fb ⁻¹
10.5 fb ⁻¹
21.4 fb ⁻¹
running

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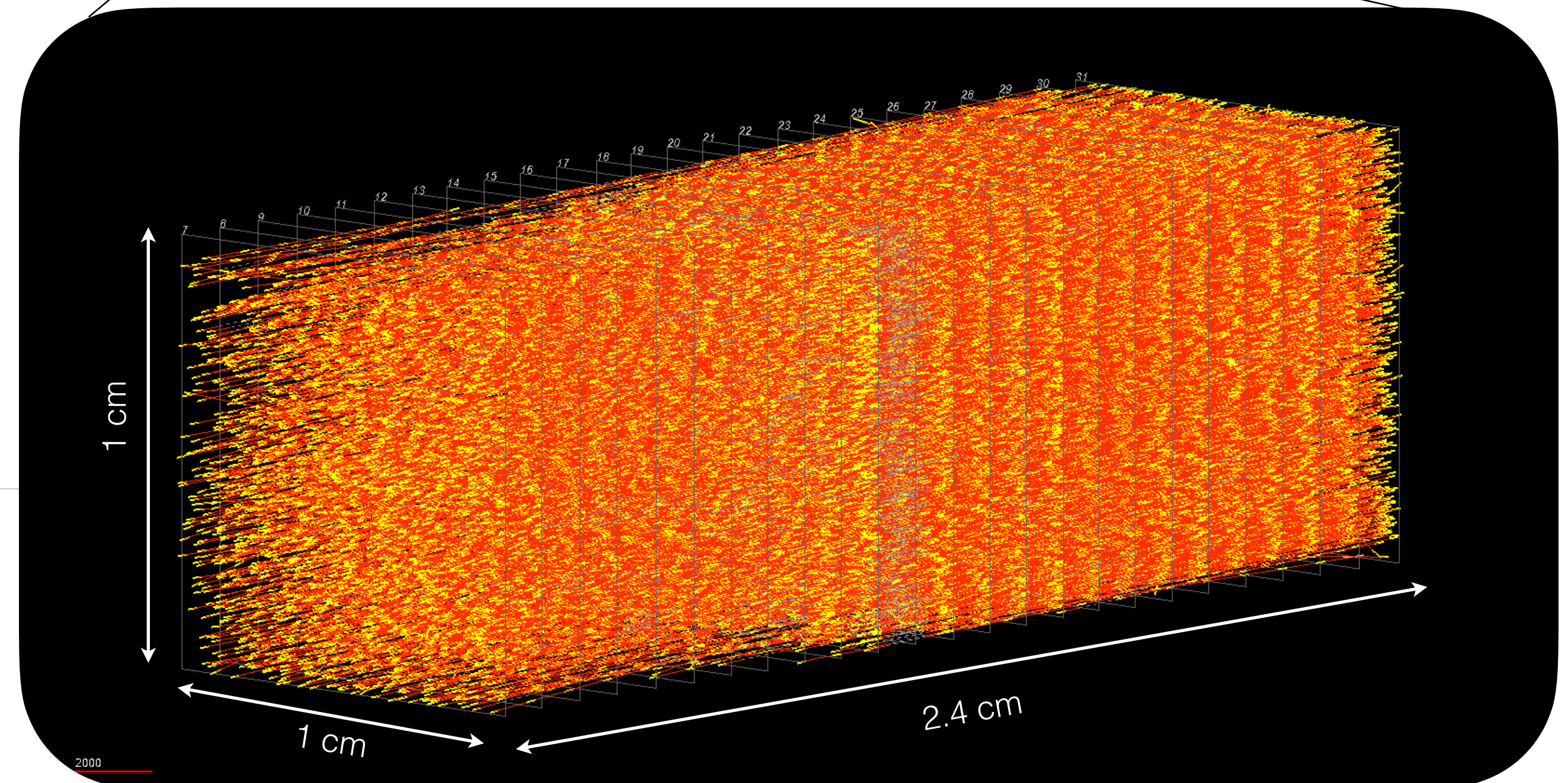
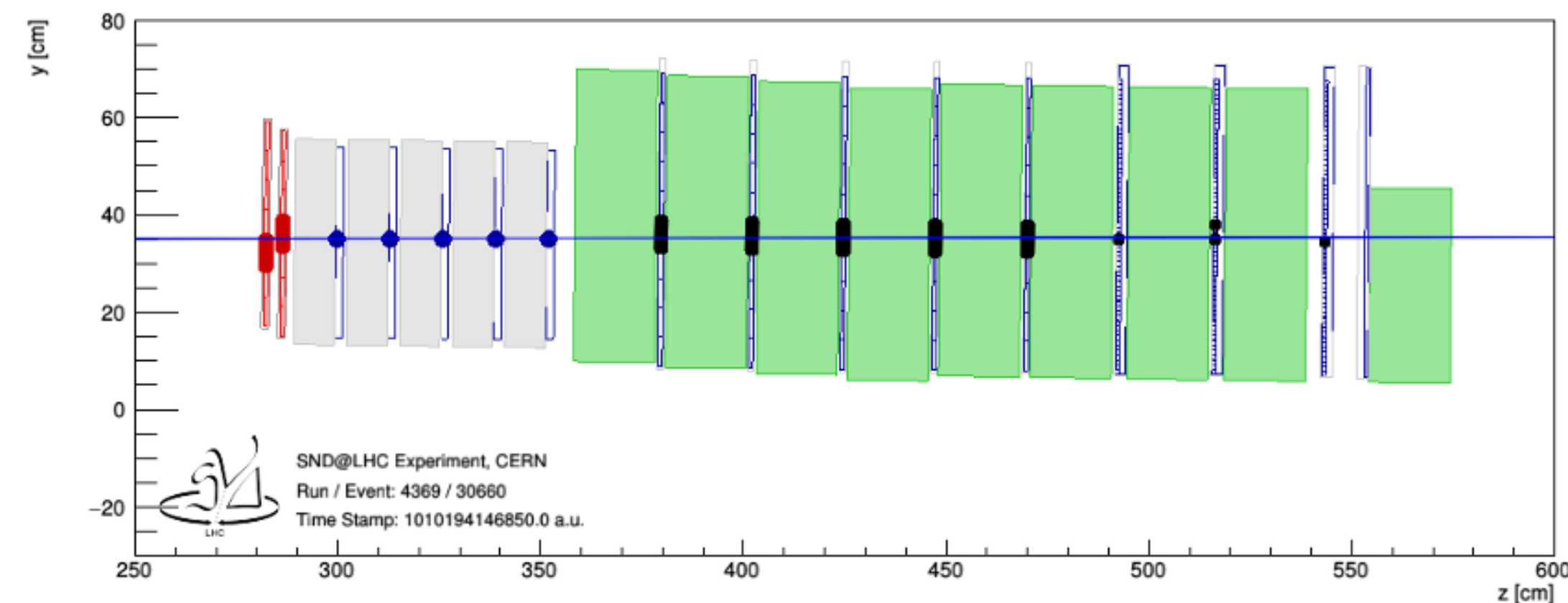
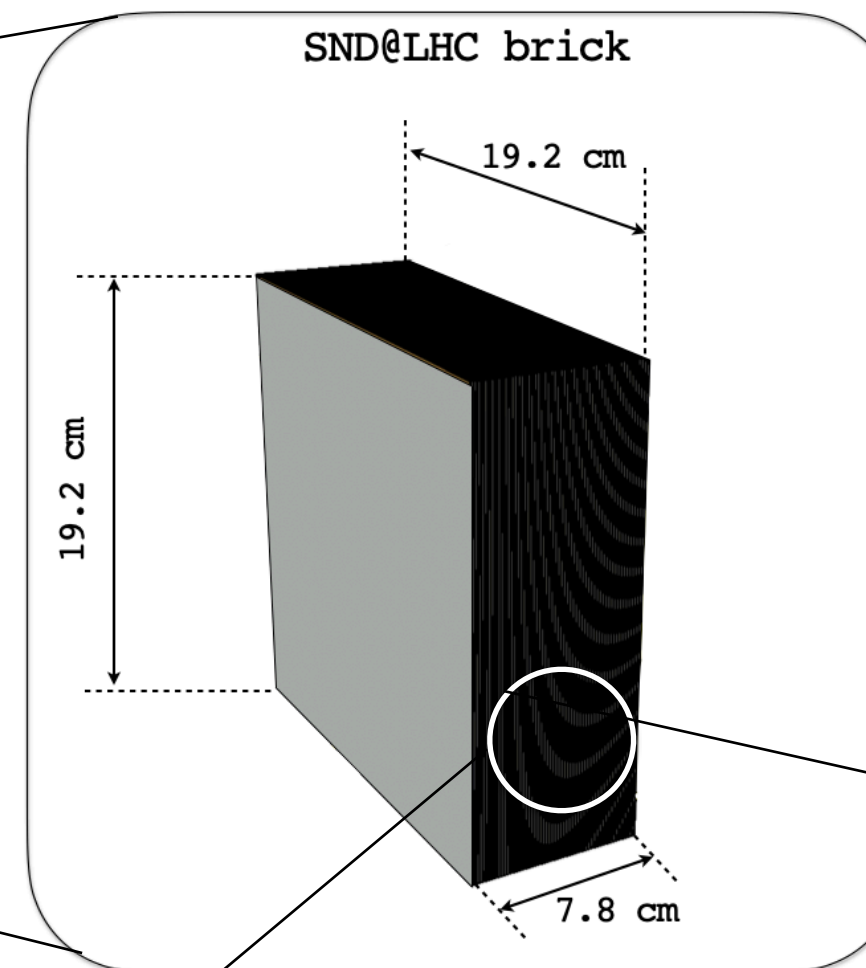
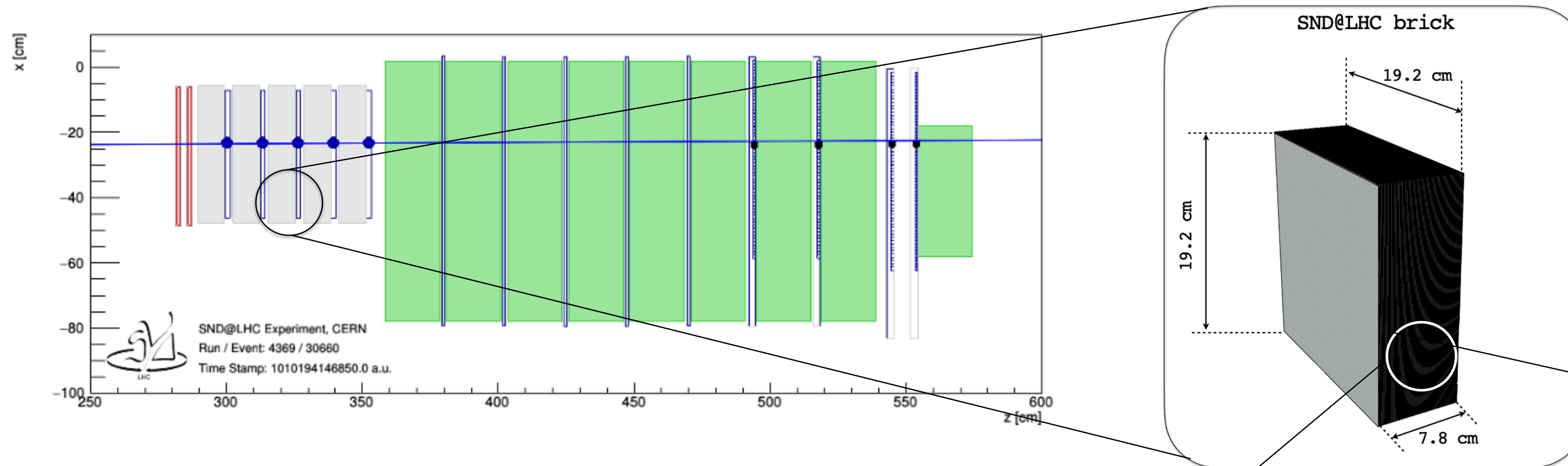


TRACK RECONSTRUCTION

RUN0 emulsion target: April 7th - July 26th (0.51 fb⁻¹)

Emulsion reconstruction:
muon tracks in 1x1 cm² integrated
in EMULSION RUN0

Measured rate in SciFi tracker
(39x39 cm²):
 1.9×10^4 /cm²/fb⁻¹
Compatible with track density in
the emulsion target



Electronic detector reconstruction:
muon track from pp collisions @13.6 TeV
(July 6th 2022)

ADVANCED SND@LHC

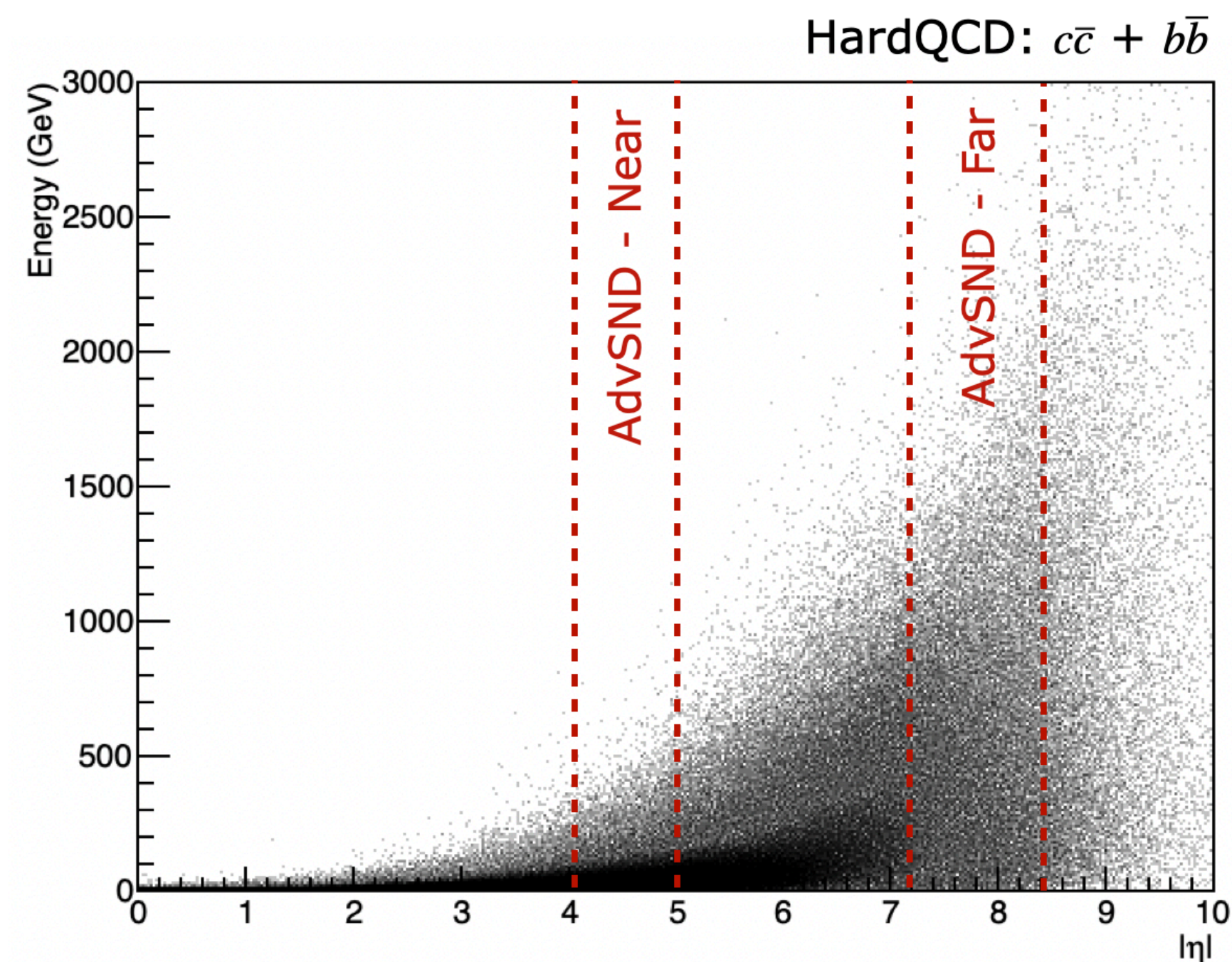
- Upgrade of the detector in view of an extended run during Run 4:
- **Two** off-axis forward detectors:

- **AdvSND-Near:** $4 < \eta < 5$

- Overlap with LHCb pseudo-rapidity coverage
- Reduction of systematic uncertainties
- Neutrino cross-section measurement
- charm measurements in the region of interest for prompt ν fluxes

- **AdvSND-Far:** $7.2 < \eta < 8.4$

- Acceptance similar to SND@LHC
- Charm production measurements
- Lepton flavour universality



ADVANCED SND@LHC: Detector layout

1) Target region:

- Vertex identification and electromagnetic calorimeter
- Thin sensitive layers interleaved with Tungsten plates
- Replace emulsions with compact electronic trackers to cope with high intensity muon rates

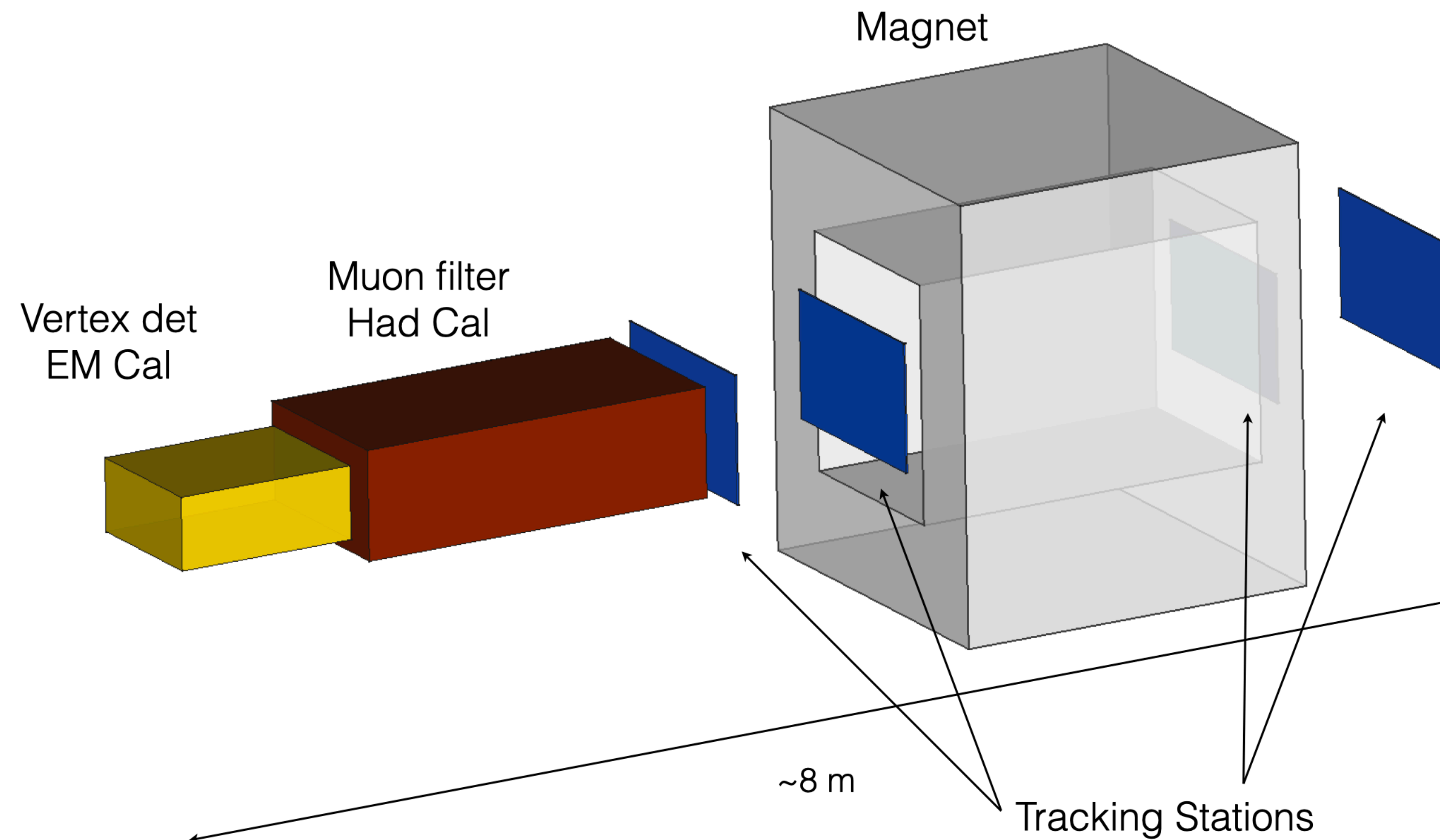
2) Muon ID system and hadronic calorimeter

- 10 interaction lengths

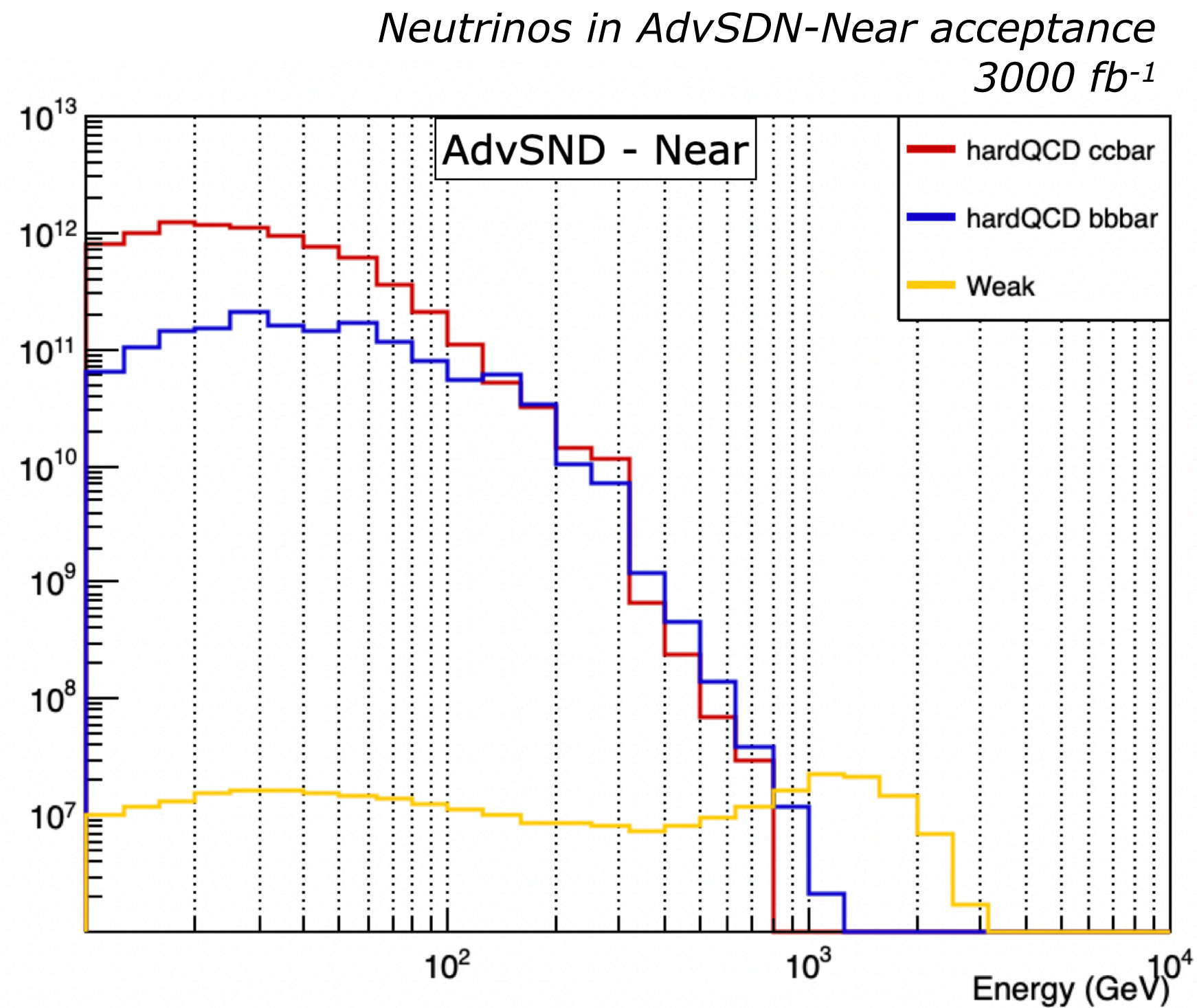
3) Magnetic spectrometer

- measure charge of the muon
($\nu_\mu/\text{anti-}\nu_\mu$, $\nu_\tau/\text{anti-}\nu_\tau$ in the $\tau \rightarrow \mu$ channel)
- 2 tracking stations, each made of 2 planes
- Magnet: 1 Tesla over 2 meters

	AdvSND - NEAR	AdvSND - FAR
η	[4.0, 5.0]	[7.2, 8.4]
mass (ton)	5	5
surface (cm ²)	120 × 120	100 × 40
distance (m)	55	630



ADVANCED SND@LHC - Near detector



AdvSDN-Near:

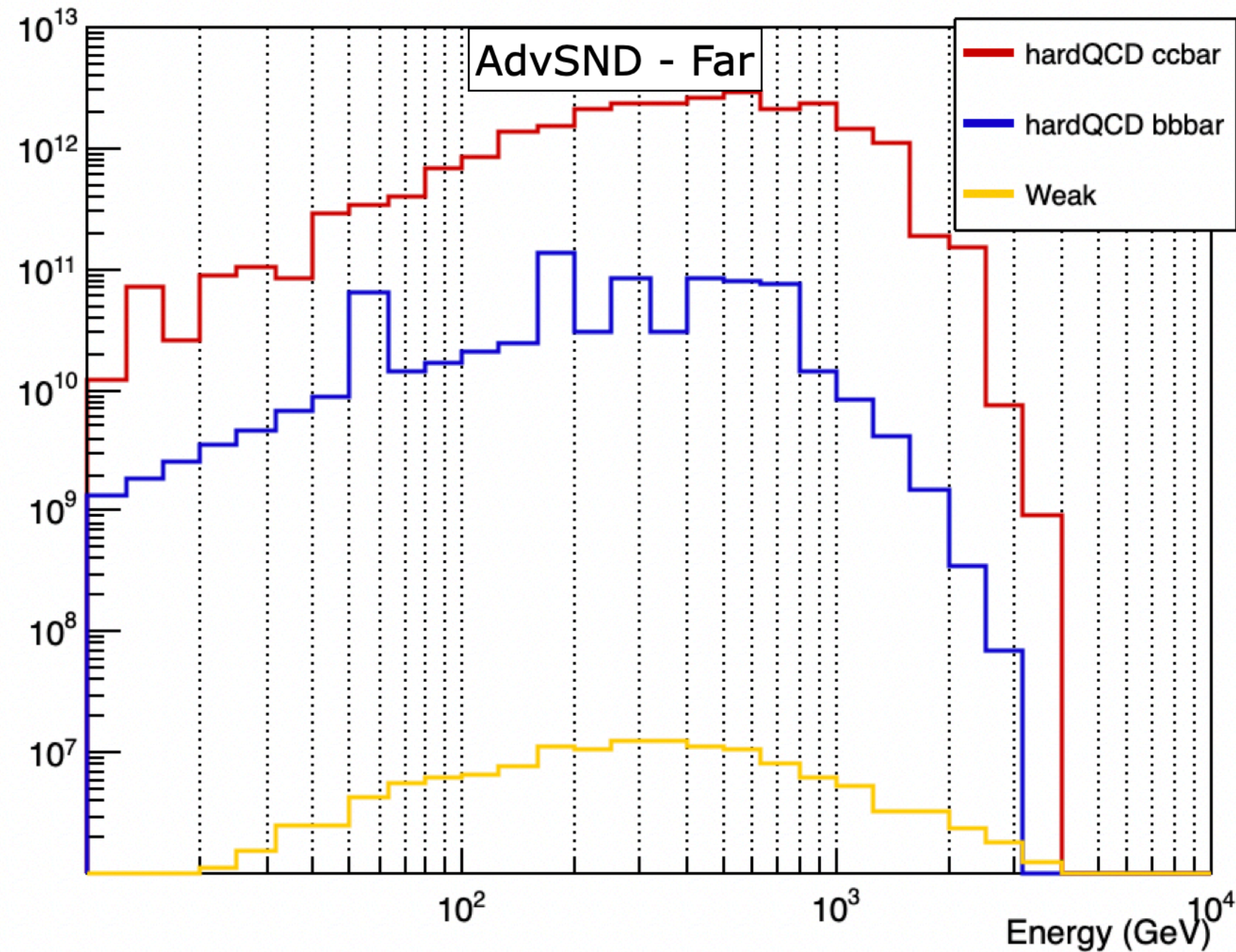
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AdvSDN - NEAR				
Flavour	ν in acceptance		CC DIS	
	hardQCD: $c\bar{c}$	hardQCD: $b\bar{b}$	hardQCD: $c\bar{c}$	hardQCD: $b\bar{b}$
$\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$	2.1×10^{12}	3.3×10^{11}	980	200
$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	2.2×10^{12}	3.3×10^{11}	1000	200
$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$	2.7×10^{11}	1.4×10^{11}	80	50
Tot	5.4×10^{12}		2.5×10^3	

Expectations in **3000 fb⁻¹**
Generator: Pythia8

- ▶ Average energy for neutrinos from charm and beauty decays: ~ 30 GeV
- ▶ Measurement of **neutrino cross-section** for three flavours, given the measurement of the neutrino flux provided by LHCb
- ▶ Expected statistical error: a few % for electron and muon neutrinos, $\sim 10\%$ for tau neutrinos

Neutrinos in AdvSDN-Far acceptance
3000 fb⁻¹



AdvSDN-Far:

η	[7.2,8.4]
mass (ton)	5
surface (cm ²)	100 × 40
distance (m)	630

Flavour	ν in acceptance		CC DIS	
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$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	6.7×10^{12}	1.7×10^{11}	1.2×10^4	220
$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$	7.1×10^{11}	4.7×10^{10}	880	40
Tot	1.4×10^{13}		2.5×10^4	

Expectations in **3000 fb⁻¹**
Generator: Pythia8

- ▶ Contribution from W/Z decays negligible
- ▶ Average energy for neutrinos from charm and beauty decays: ~400 GeV
- ▶ Test of **lepton flavour universality** measuring there ratio **R₁₃**
- ▶ Statistical uncertainty reduced to 5%
- ▶ Systematic uncertainty given by charm quark hadronisation factor: 20%
- ▶ Test of **lepton flavour universality** measuring there ratio **R₁₂**
- ▶ Statistical uncertainty: a few %
- ▶ Systematic uncertainty given by contamination of pion/kaons

$$R_{13} = \frac{N_{\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e}}{N_{\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau}} = \frac{\sum_i \tilde{f}_{c_i} \tilde{B}r(c_i \rightarrow \nu_e)}{\tilde{f}_{D_s} \tilde{B}r(D_s \rightarrow \nu_\tau)}$$

$$R_{12} = \frac{N_{\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e}}{N_{\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu}} = \frac{1}{1 + \omega_{\pi/k}}$$

QCD MEASUREMENTS

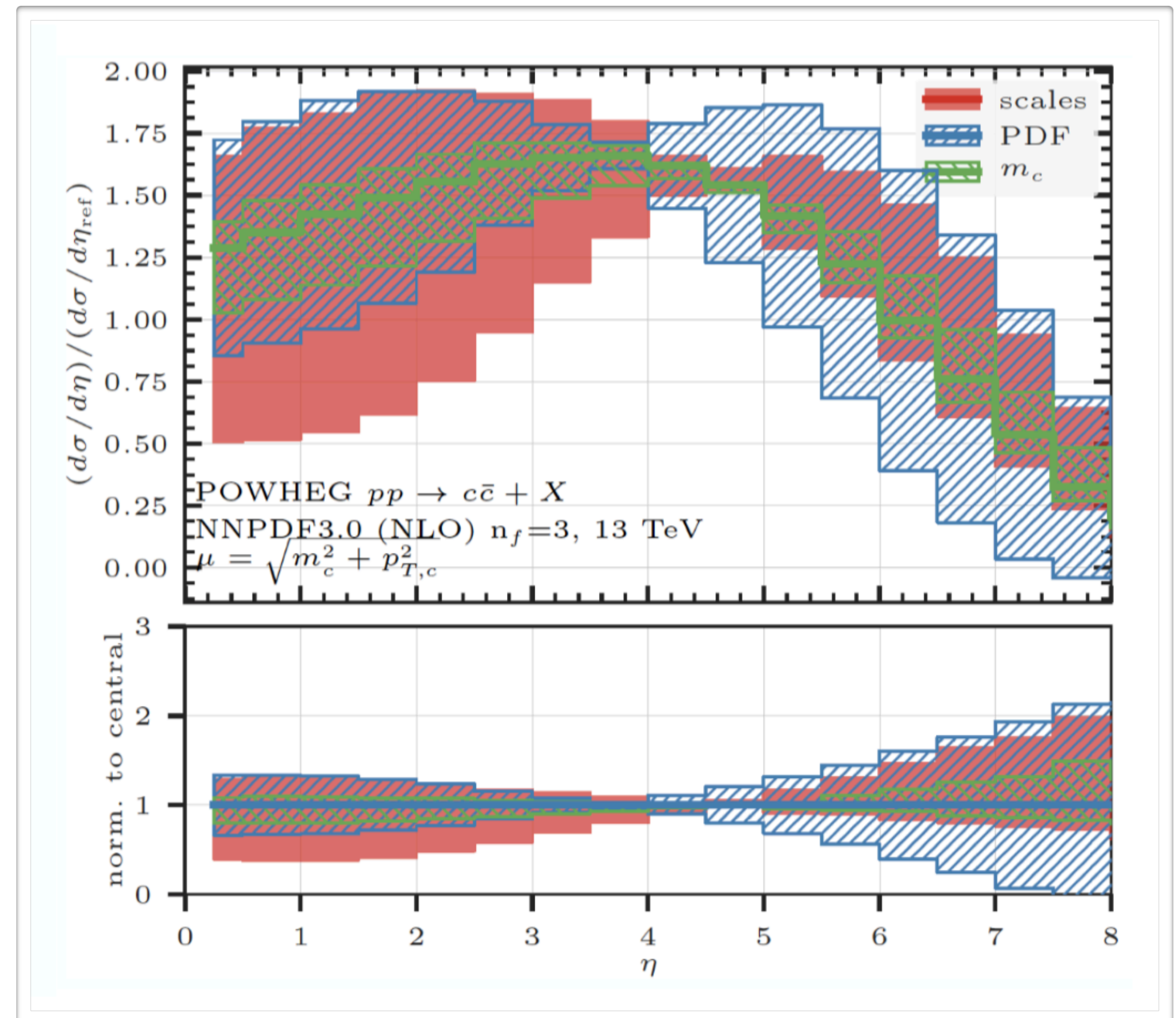
- ▶ Electron neutrinos mostly produced by charm decays
- ▶ ν_e can be used as a probe of **charm production** in a region where charm yield has large uncertainties
- ▶ Electron neutrinos measurements can constraint the uncertainty on the gluon PDF in $x < 10^{-5}$ region
- ▶ Extraction of gluon PDF in very small x-region relevant for:
 1. Future Circular Colliders
 2. Reduction of uncertainty on the flux of very-high-energy atmospheric neutrinos
- **AdvSND-Near:** $4 < \eta < 5$:
reduce systematic uncertainties in the correlation between neutrinos and charmed mesons comparing with LHCb direct charm measurements
- **AdvSND-Far:** $7.2 < \eta < 8.4$:
reduce statistical uncertainties

Ratio between the cross-section measurements at different pseudo-rapidities, normalised to LHCb measurements

$$R = \frac{d\sigma/d\eta(13\text{TeV})}{d\sigma/d\eta_{ref}(7\text{TeV})}$$

$$\eta_{ref} = [4, 4.5]$$

[arxiv:1510.01707](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.01707)



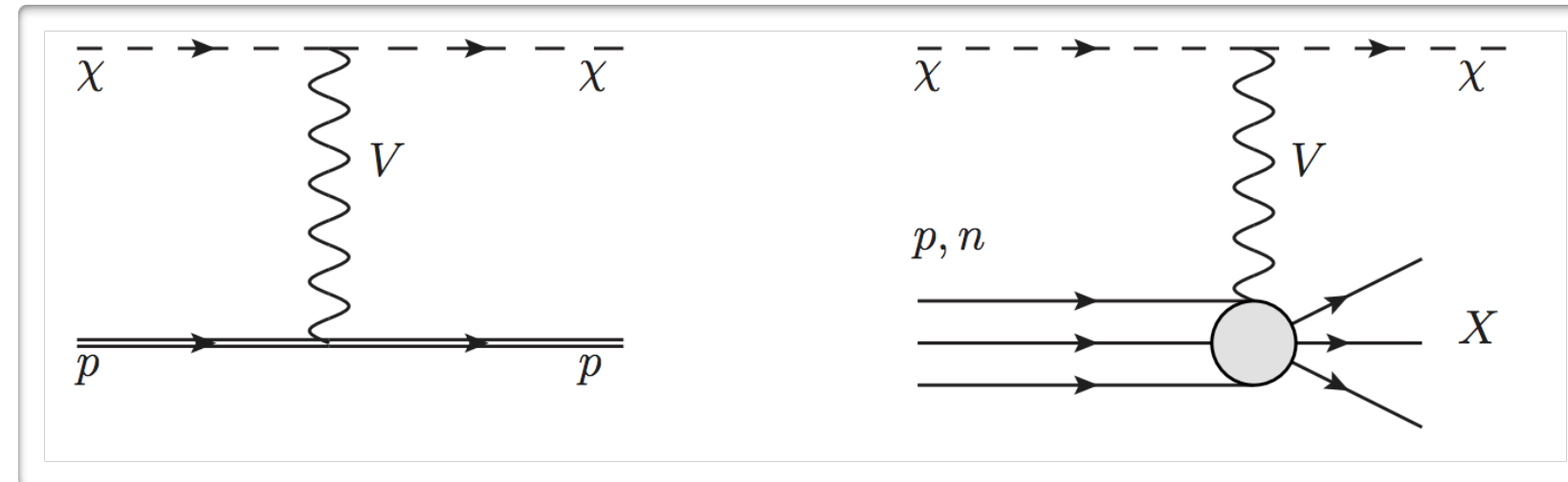
BEYOND STANDARD MODEL

Large variety of BSM scenarios describing Hidden Sector

1. Scattering

Production: scalar χ particle coupled to the Standard Model via a leptophobic portal

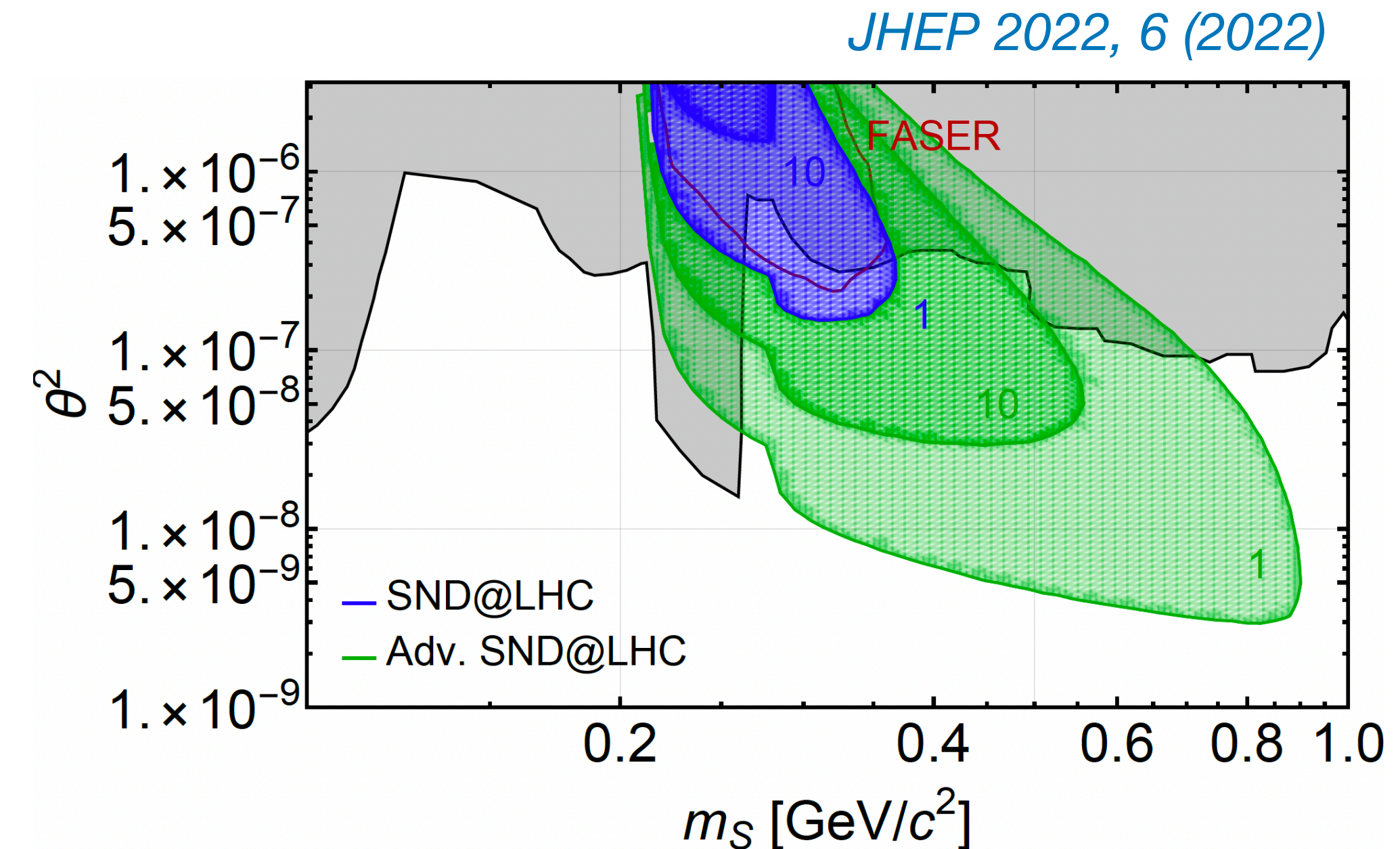
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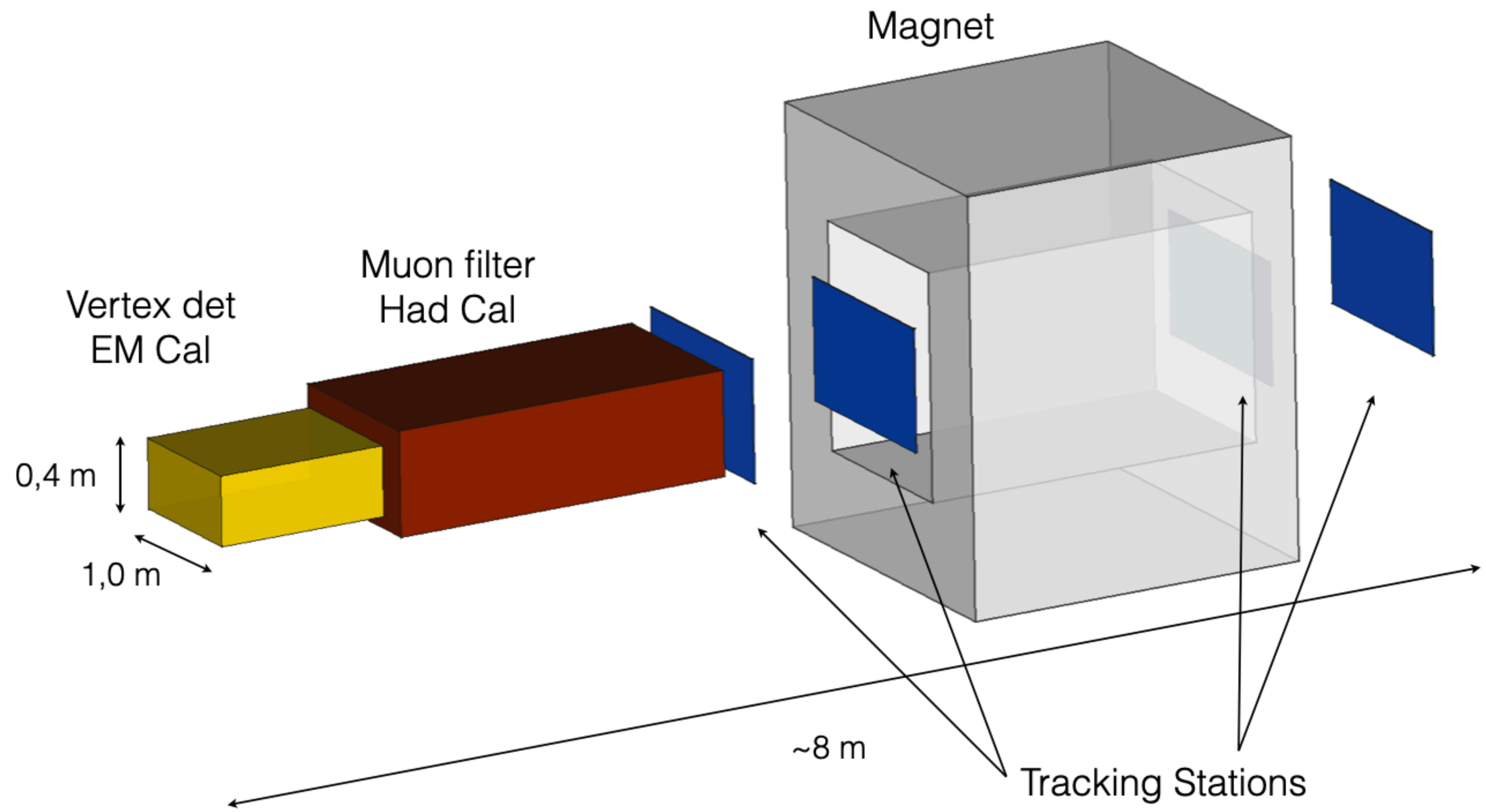
2. Decay of dark scalars, HNLs, dark photons

Production: dark scalars produced in the decay of B mesons, HNLs in the decay of B and D mesons, dark photons via leptophobic mediator

Detection: Decays in a pair of charged tracks or monophotons



DETECTOR LAYOUT (Option1)



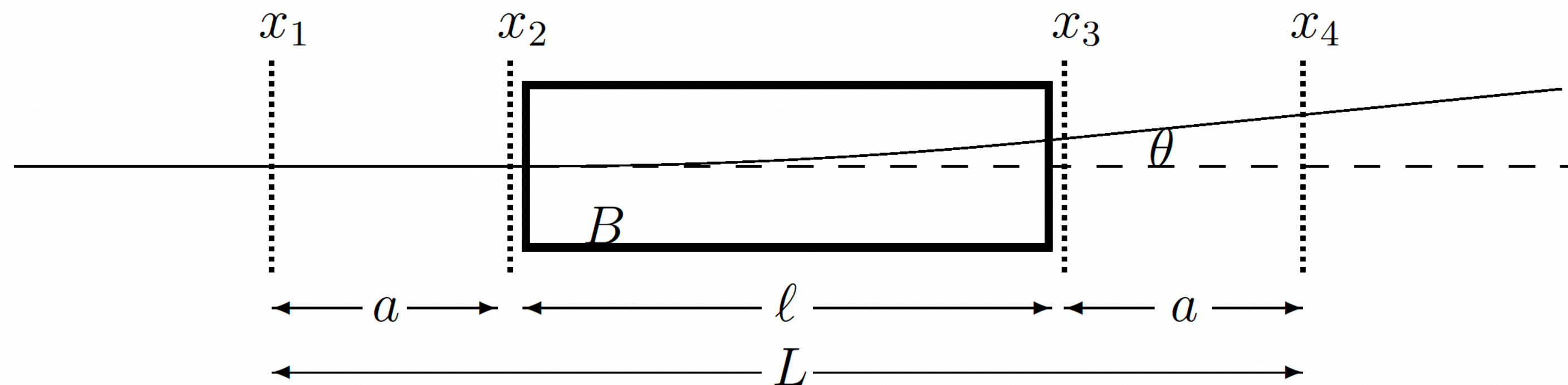
SPECTROMETER LAYOUT (Option1)

Requirements for the spectrometer:

- measure bending angle of charged muons produced in neutrino interactions in the target

- bending angle given by $\theta = \frac{\ell}{r} = \frac{eB\ell}{p}$

- two upstream tracking stations (x_1 and x_2) to measure the incoming angle of the track
- two downstream tracking stations (x_3 and x_4) to measure the exiting angle of the track
- each pair of stations is separated by the lever arm a



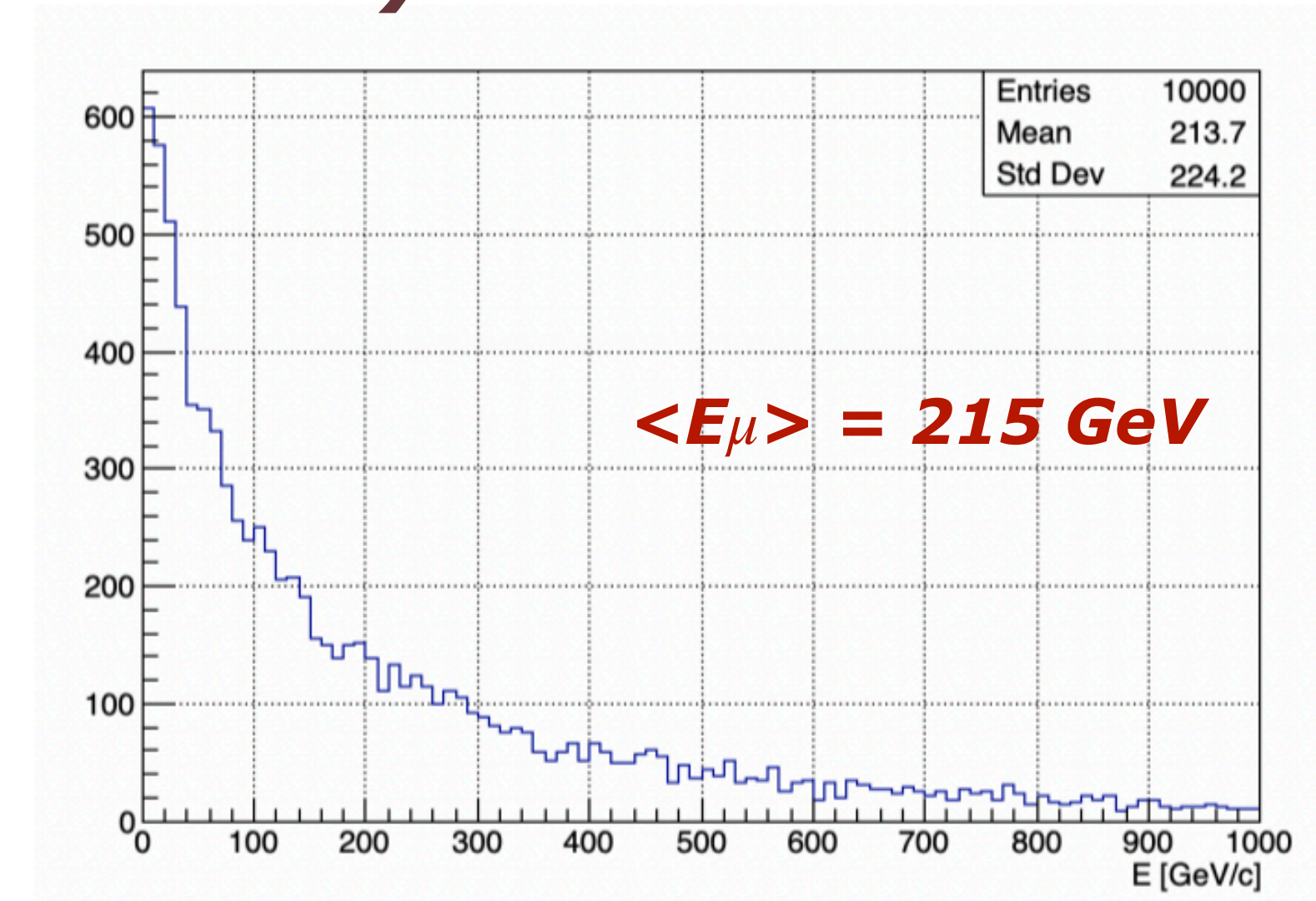
- choice of the length l of the magnet and of the lever arm a , which results in the best momentum resolution

$$a = \frac{L}{4} = \frac{\ell}{2}$$

SPECTROMETER LAYOUT (Option1)

The choice of the spectrometer parameters depends on:

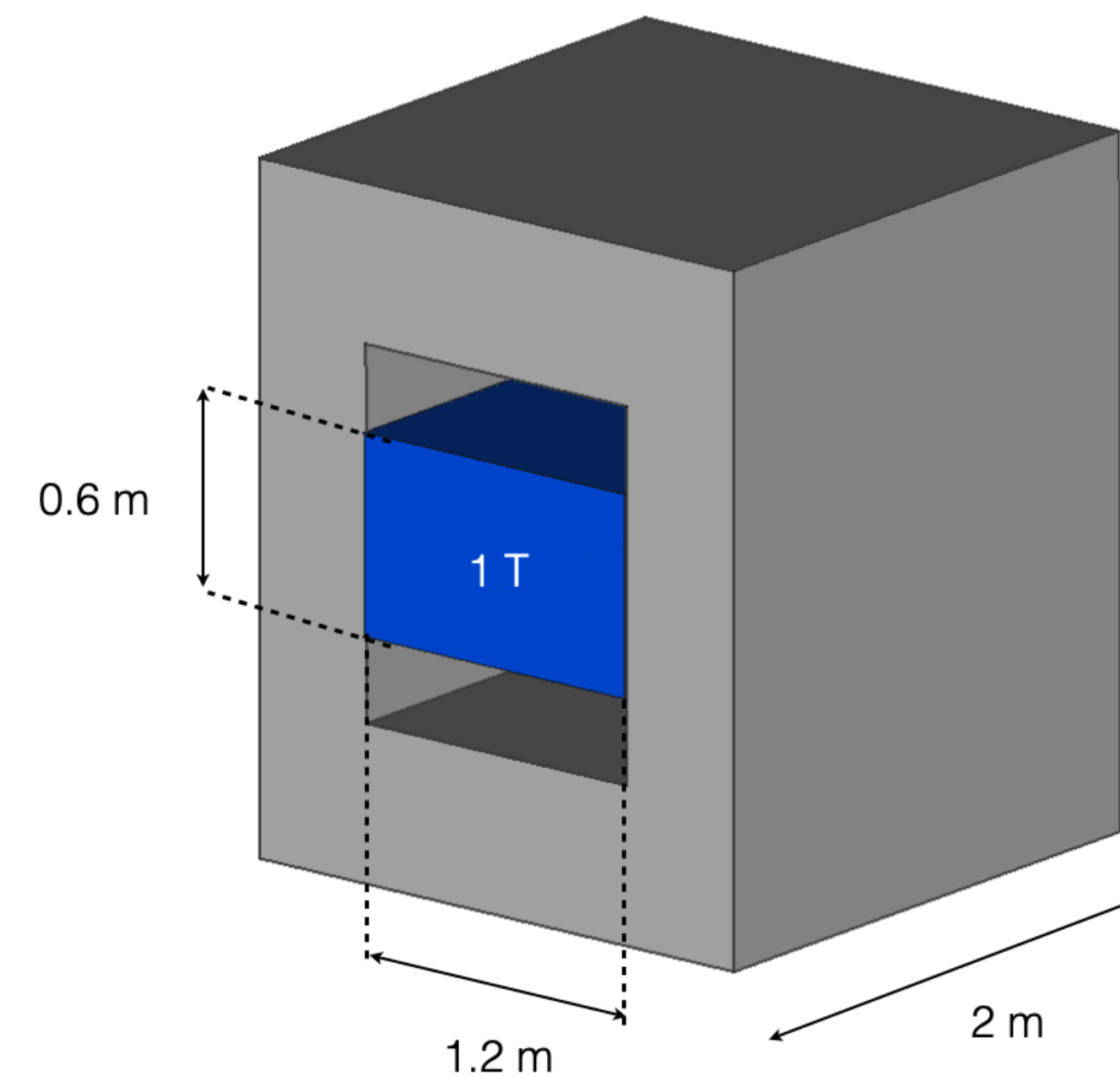
- energy spectrum of charged particles
- position resolution of tracking stations
- transverse dimensions of target region



Muon energy at the FAR location

Requirements for the magnet:

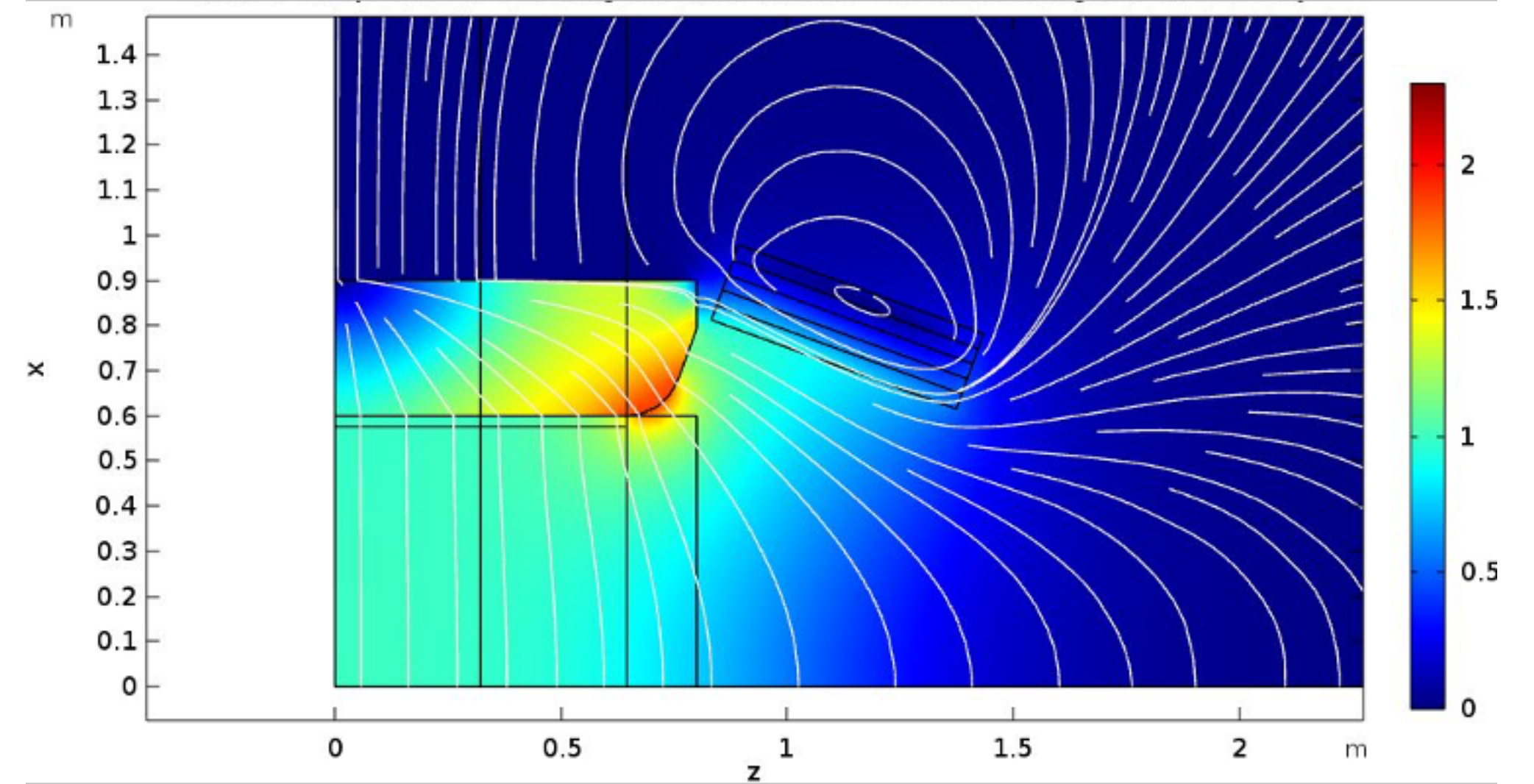
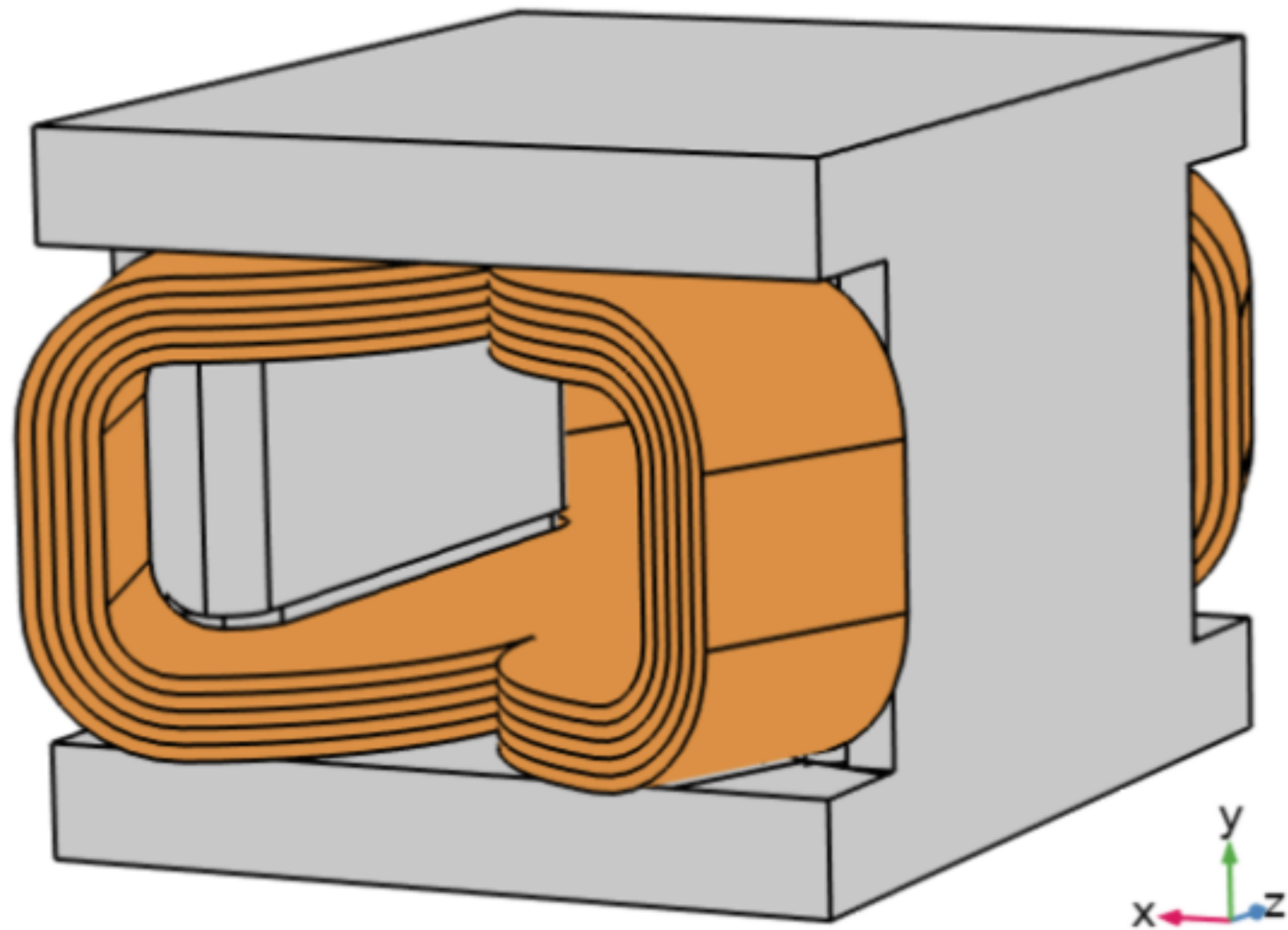
- Magnetic field: 1 T
- Length of magnetised region: 2 m
- Transverse size of magnetised region: 1.2 x 0.6 m²



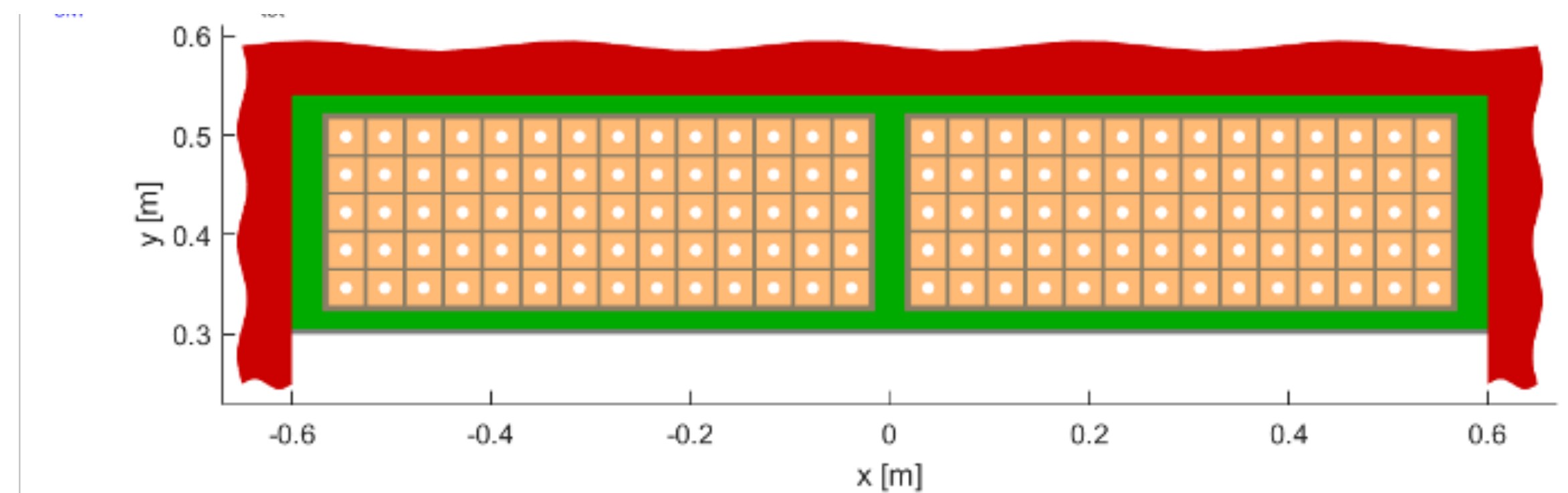
MAGNET DESIGN (Option1)

Baseline option:

- open ends air (warm) magnet
- single pancake coil
- complying CERN power supply and cooling standards



FEM 3D simulation of B-field distribution



Coil design

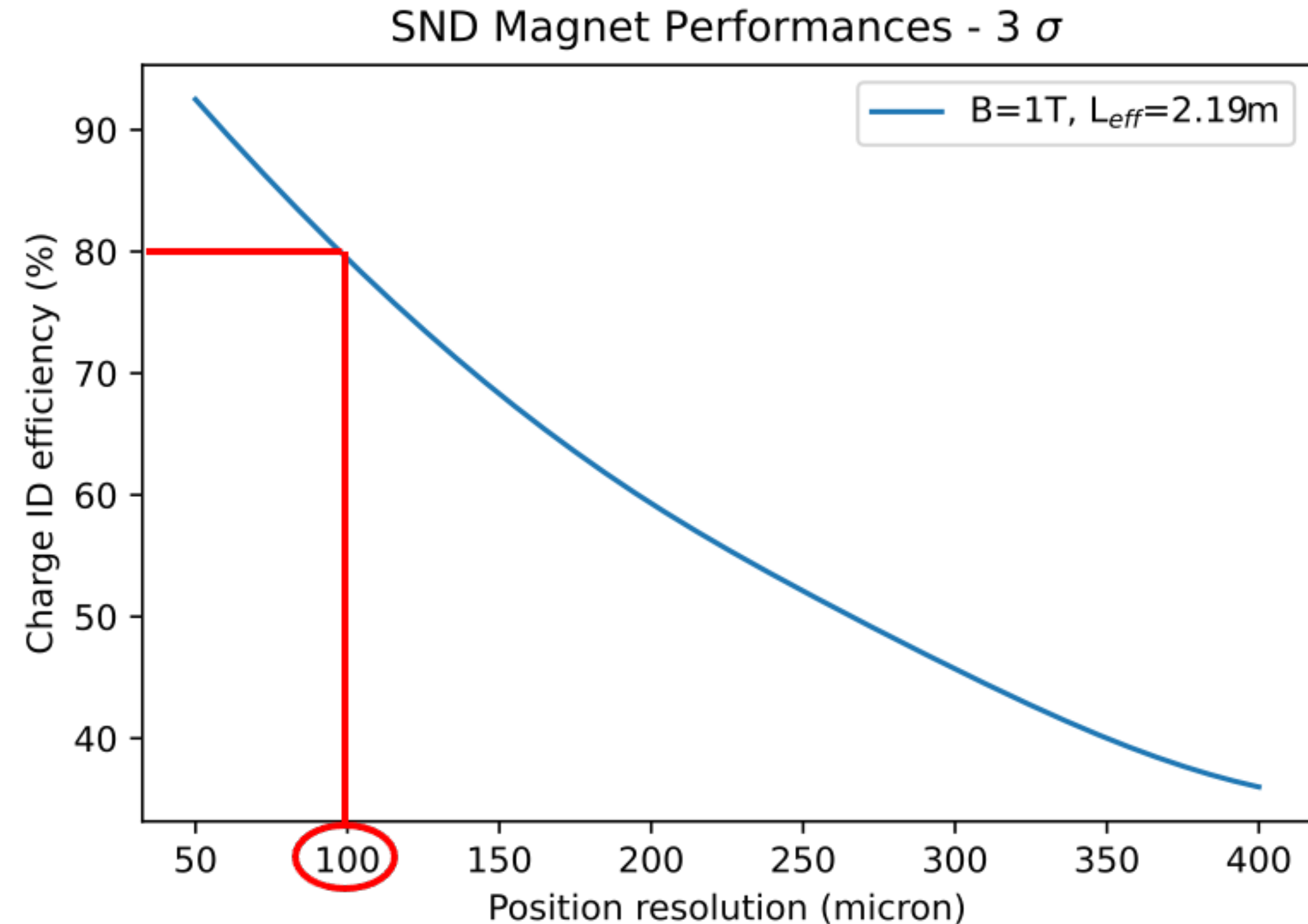
MAGNET DESIGN (Option1)

- Main figures:

$$\text{magnetic length } \ell_{\text{mag}} = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} B(0,0,z)dz}{B(0,0,0)} = 2.19 \text{ m}$$

reference B field	[T]	1.0
overall volume	[m ³]	1.80x1.58x3.01
magnetic length	[m]	2.19
coil total turns	[-]	140
magnetic efficiency	[-]	987
electrical power	[MW]	0.77
B_stray_max	[mT]	20

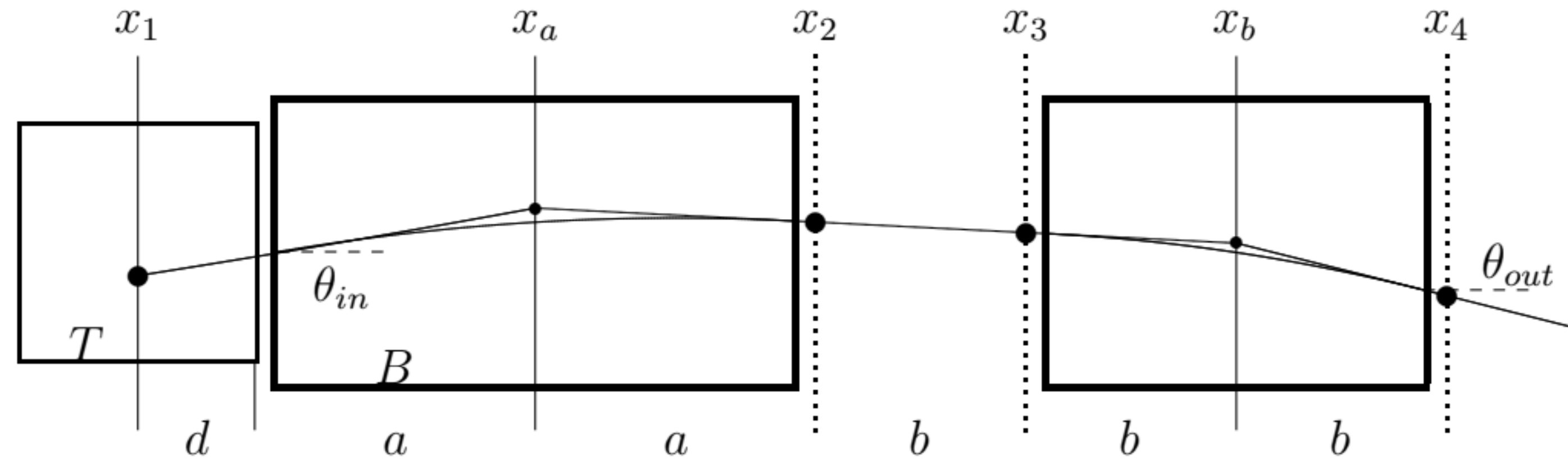
- Charge ID performances as a function of the tracker position resolution



Required position resolution for tracking stations
100 μm

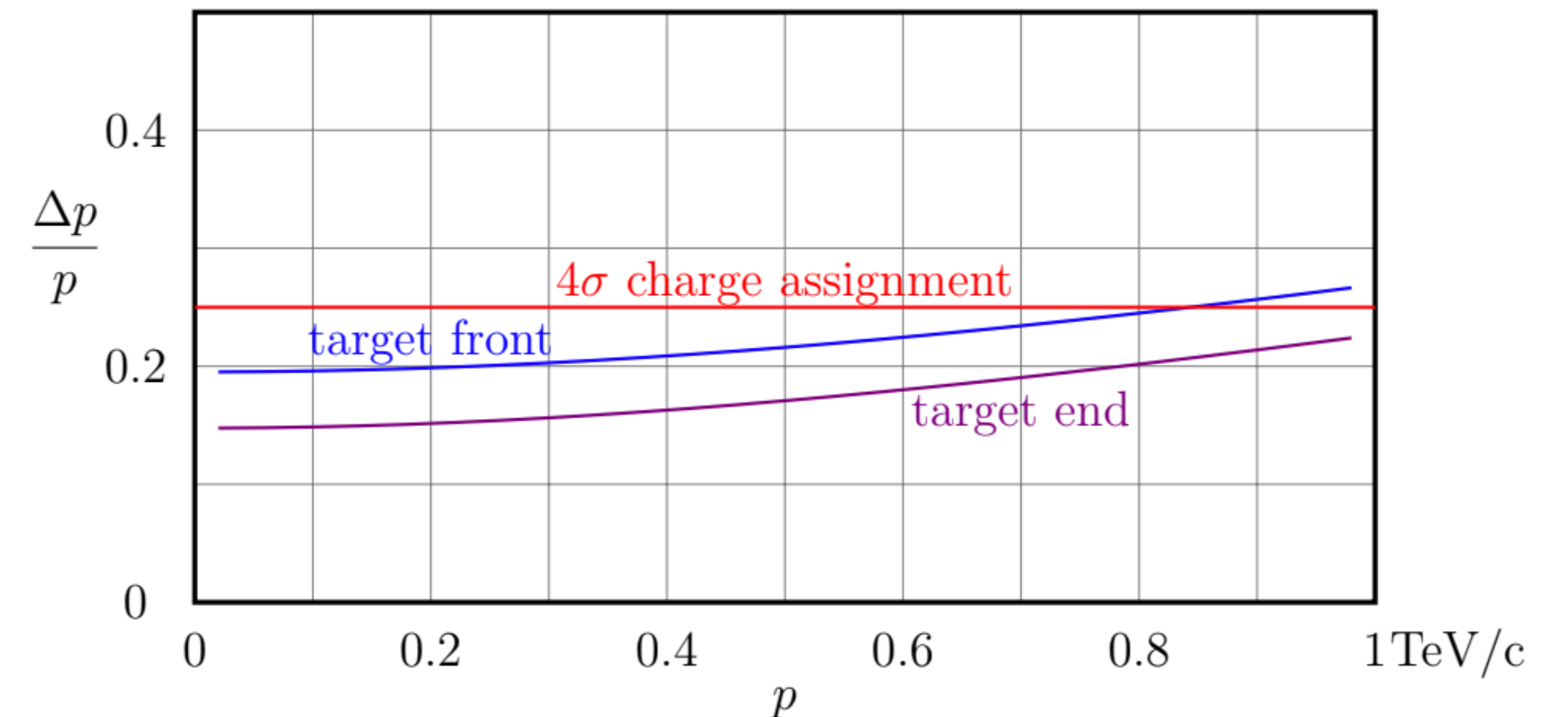
SPECTROMETER LAYOUT (Option2)

Iron core magnet

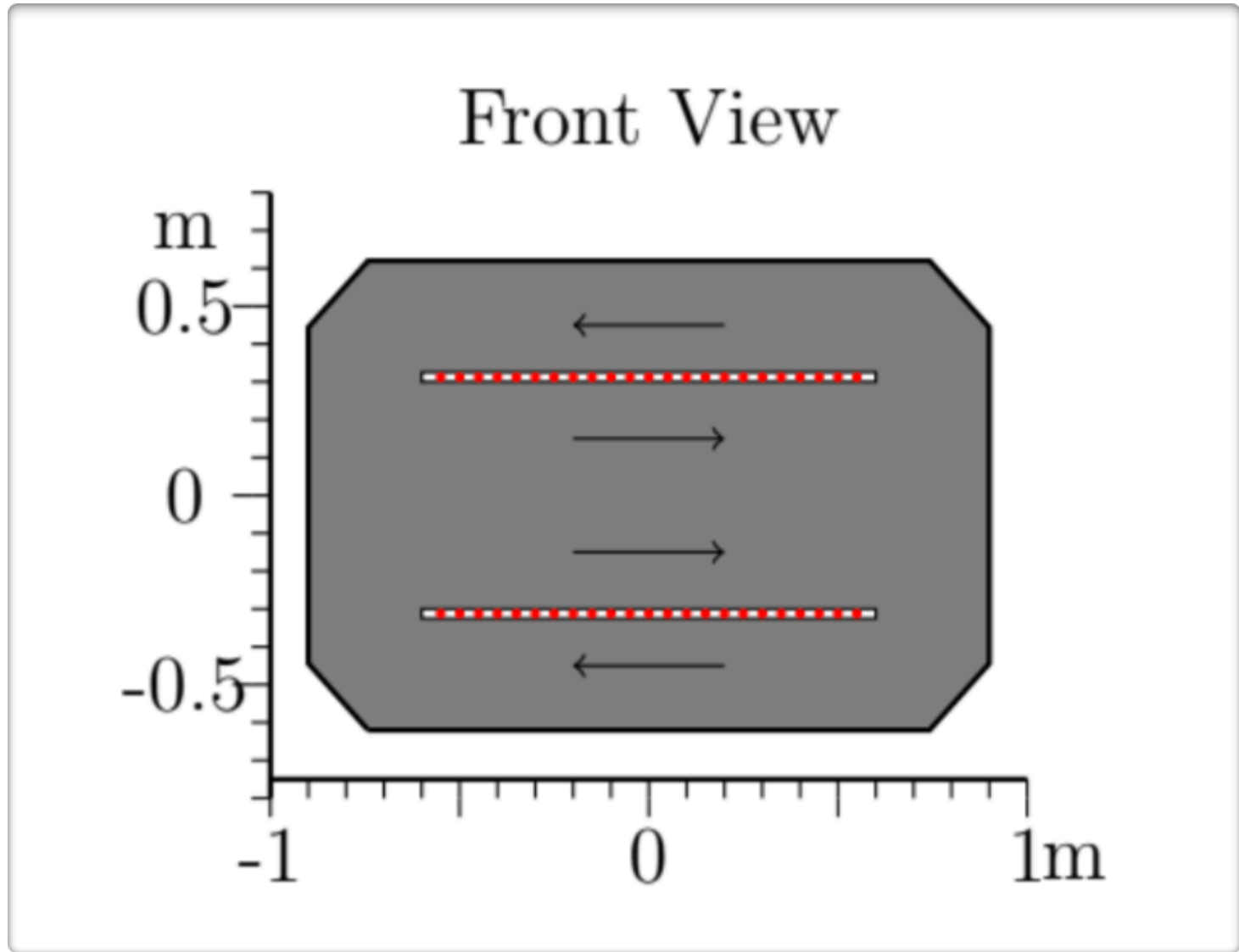
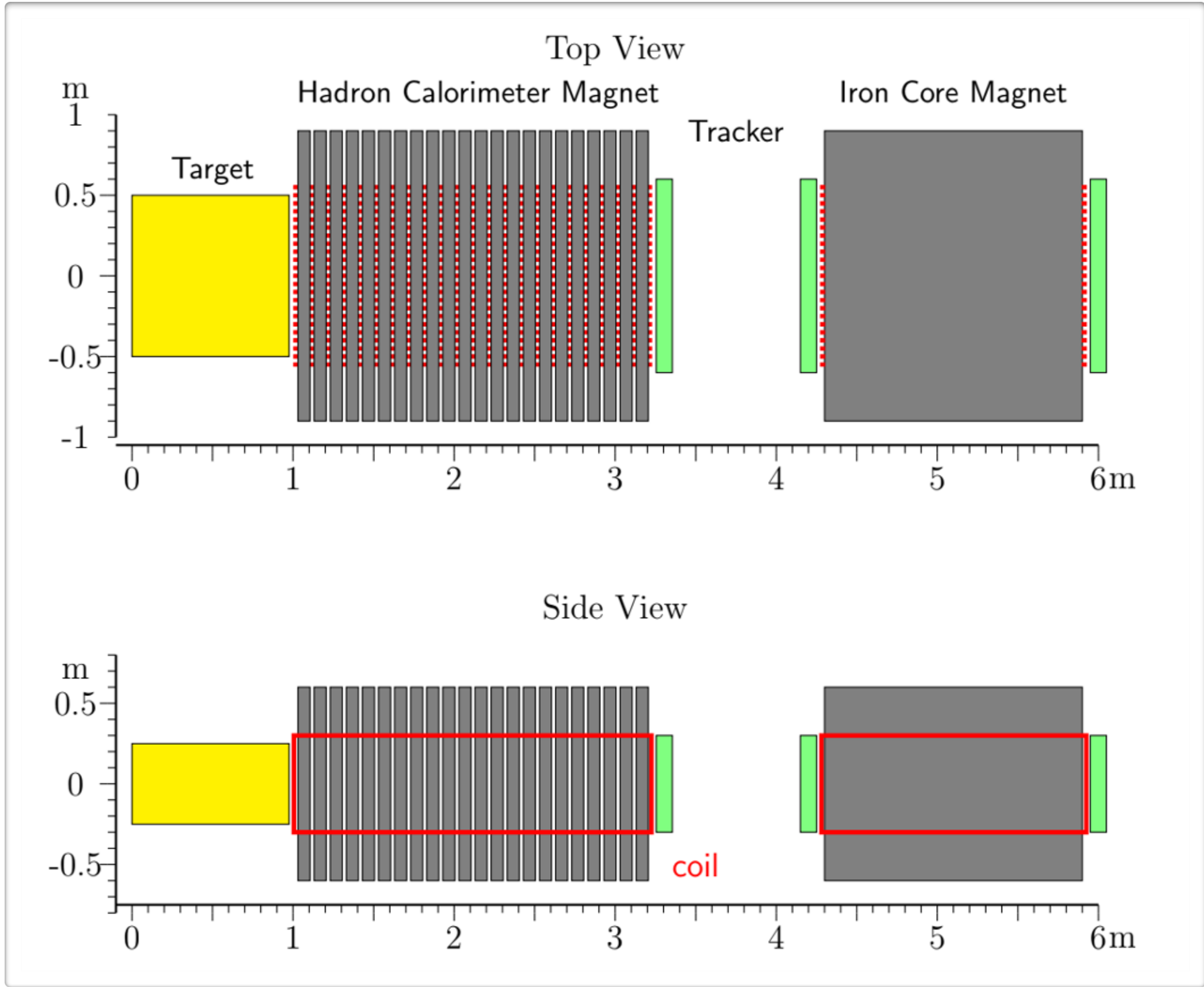


- ▶ Two magnetised volumes:
 - ▶ One as hadronic calorimeter
 - ▶ One as magnetic spectrometer
- ▶ Three drift chambers to measure muon track coordinates
- ▶ $B = 1.5 \text{ T}$
- ▶ Total iron mass: 57 t
- ▶ Power consumption: 1kW

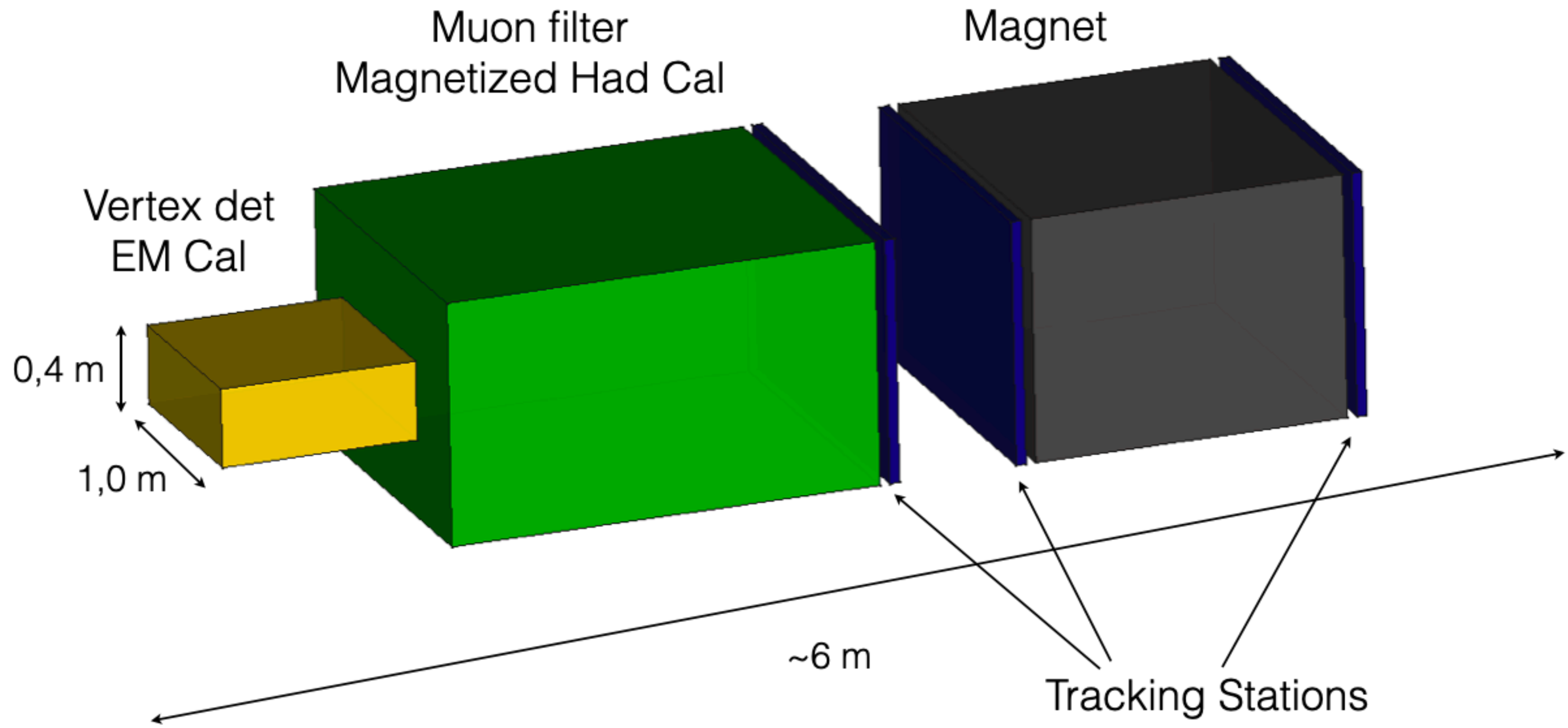
$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} = \frac{\sqrt{\Delta\theta_C^2 + \Delta\theta_{MS}^2}}{\theta} = \frac{1}{eB\ell} \sqrt{(\Delta\theta_C p)^2 + \frac{4}{3} (14 \text{ MeV}/c)^2 \left(\frac{0.5d}{X_W} + \frac{\ell}{X_{Fe}} \right)} \quad (10)$$



SPECTROMETER LAYOUT (Option2)



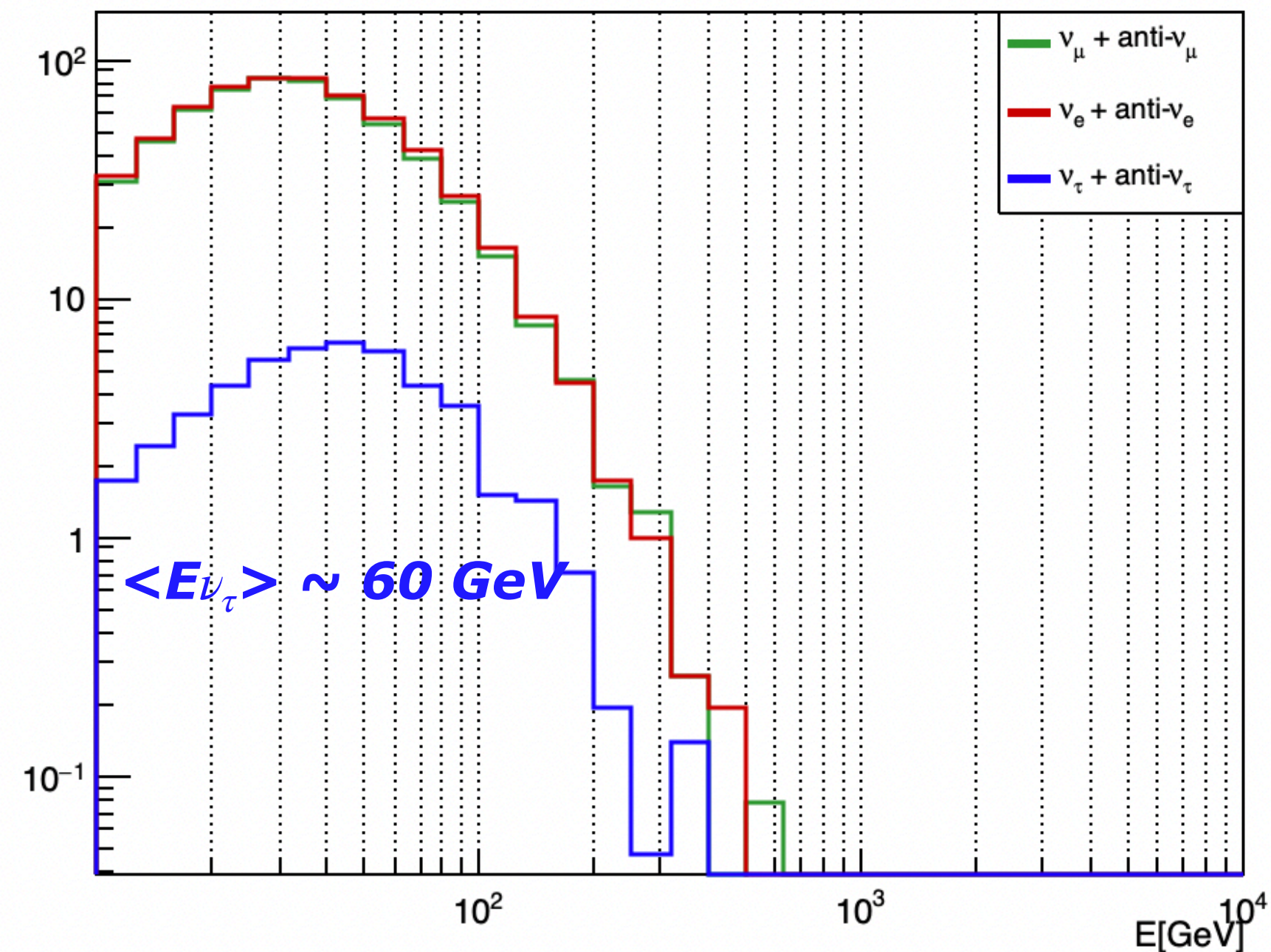
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VERTEX DETECTOR

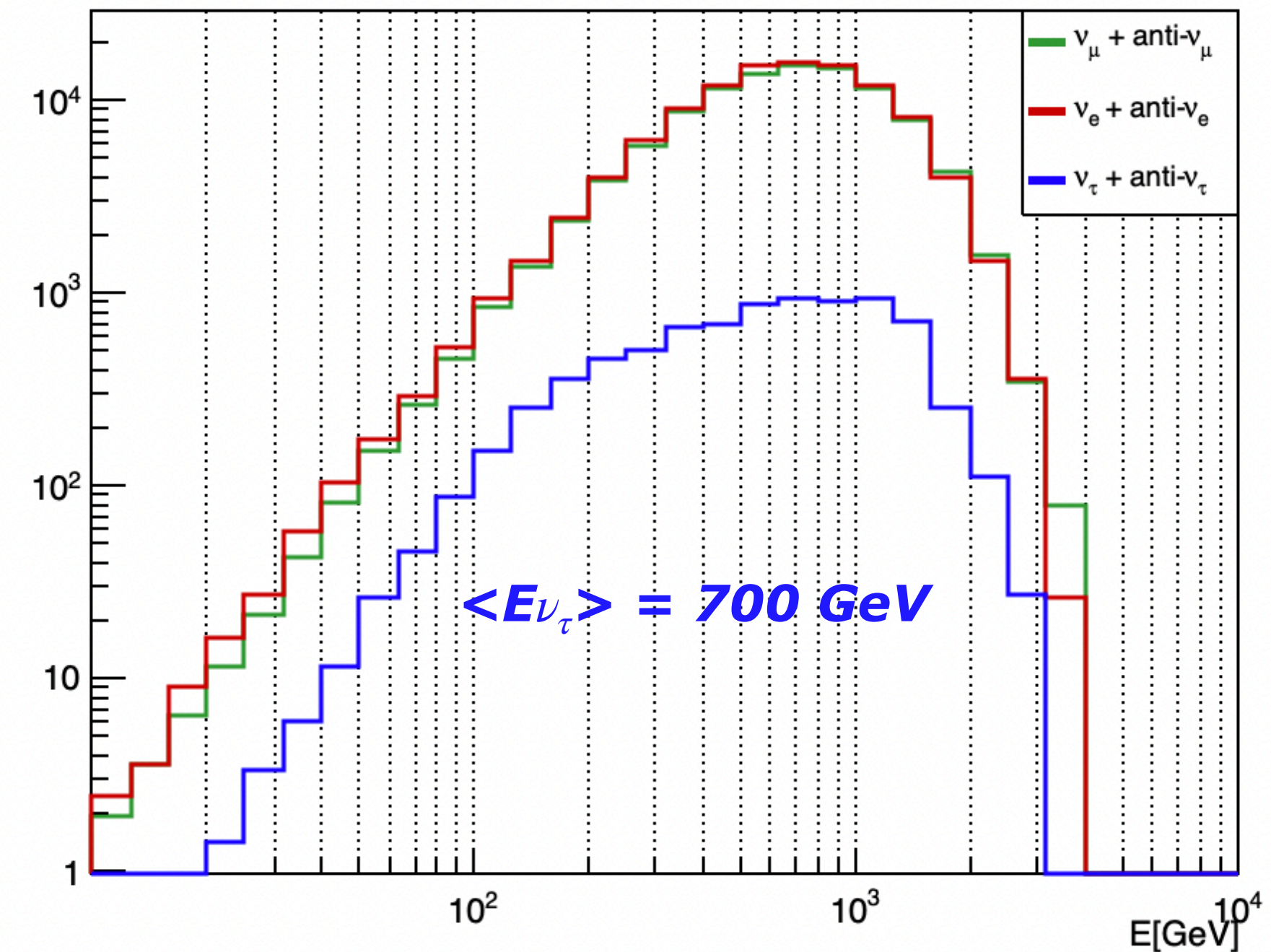
- Main task of vertex detector:
 - Reconstruction of neutrino interaction vertex
 - Identification of **tau lepton** decay vertex

Neutrino CC interactions @AdvSND-Near
hardQCD: cc + bb
3000 fb⁻¹



Average tau neutrino energy $\langle E_{\nu_\tau} \rangle \sim 60 \text{ GeV}$
 Average tau lepton $\langle E_\tau \rangle \sim 30 \text{ GeV}$
 Average tau lepton decay length $\langle L_\tau \rangle \sim \mathbf{3 \text{ mm}}$

Neutrino CC interactions @AdvSND-Far
hardQCD: cc + bb
3000 fb⁻¹



Average tau neutrino energy $\langle E_{\nu_\tau} \rangle \sim 700 \text{ GeV}$
 Average tau lepton $\langle E_\tau \rangle \sim 350 \text{ GeV}$
 Average tau lepton decay length $\langle L_\tau \rangle \sim \mathbf{3.5 \text{ cm}}$

VERTEX DETECTOR

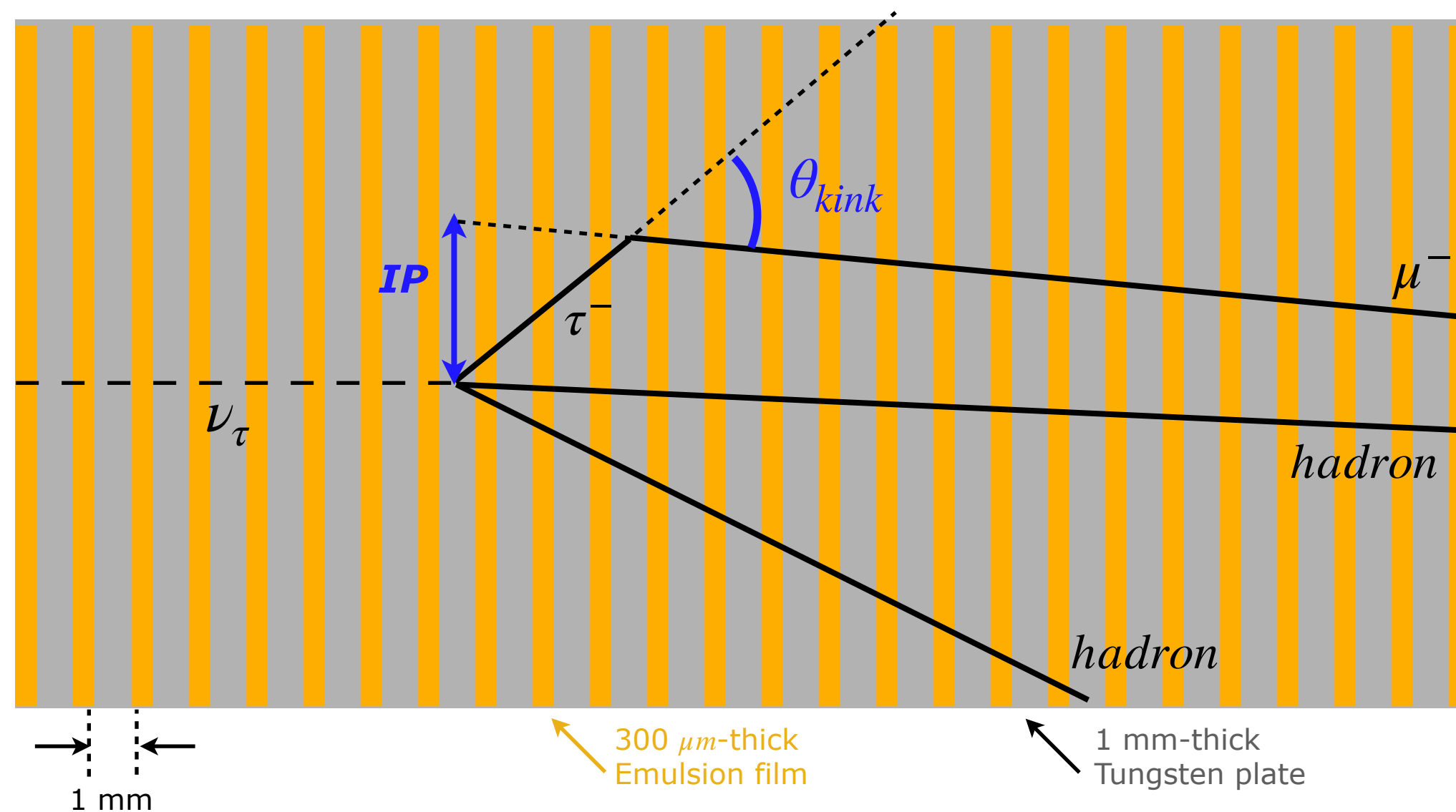
- Decay vertex identification performed by searching for:
 - large kink angle
 - large impact parameter

Average impact parameter $\langle IP \rangle \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$

AdvSND-Near

Average tau lepton decay length $\langle L_\tau \rangle \sim 3 \text{ mm}$

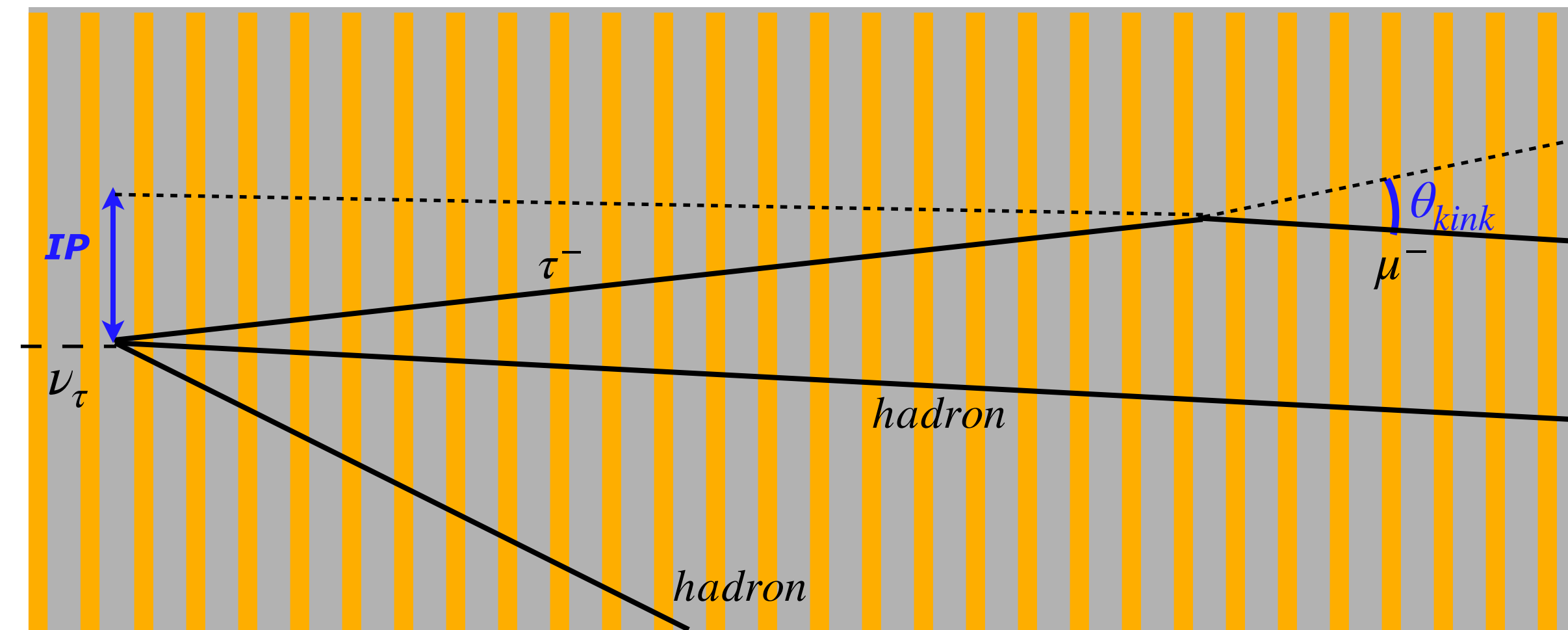
Average kink angle $\langle \theta_{kink} \rangle \sim 30 \text{ mrad}$



AdvSND-Far

Average tau lepton decay length $\langle L_\tau \rangle \sim 3.5 \text{ cm}$

Average kink angle $\langle \theta_{kink} \rangle \sim 3 \text{ mrad}$



SND@LHC Emulsion Cloud Chamber

VERTEX DETECTOR: Near Detector

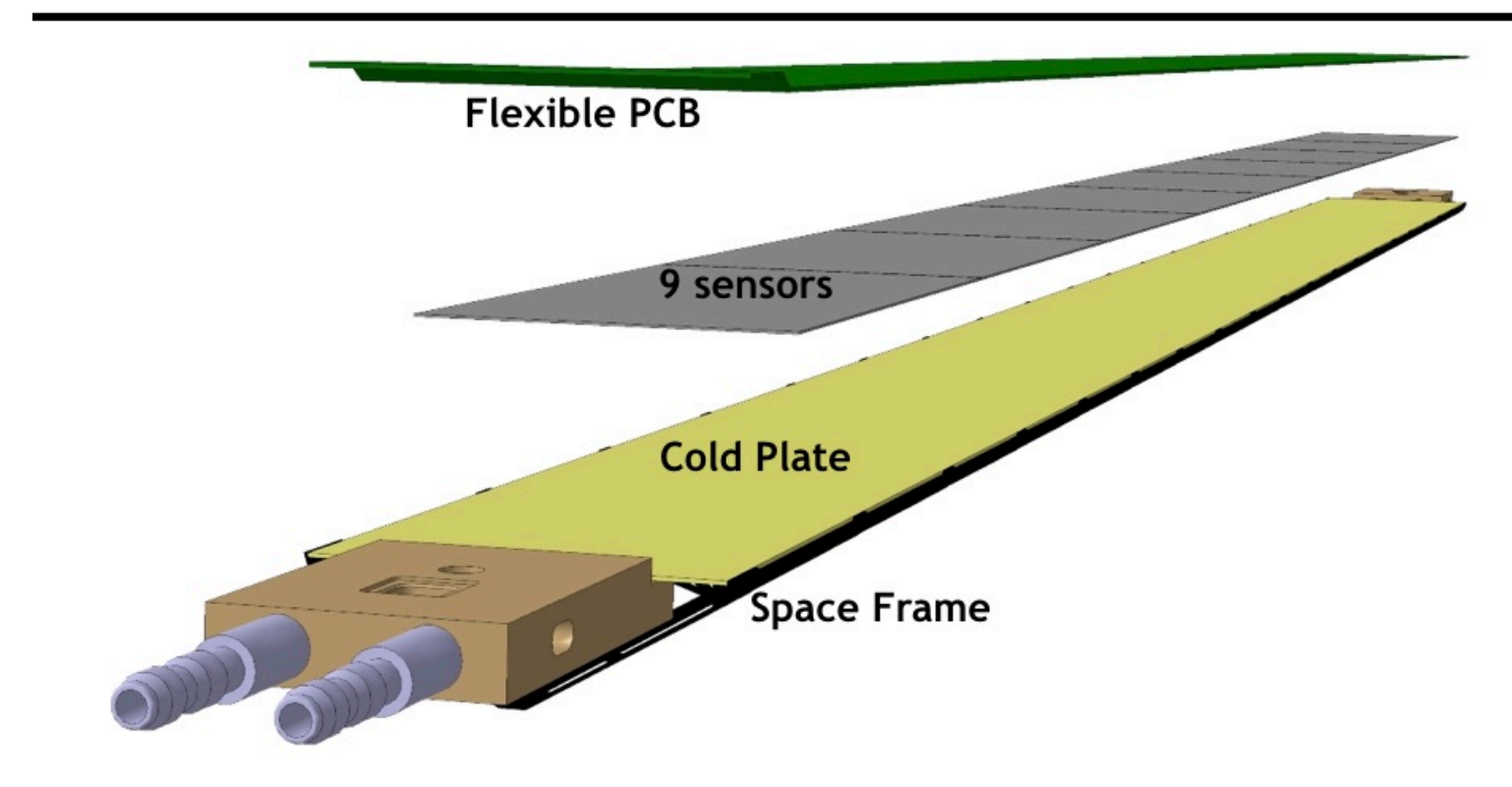
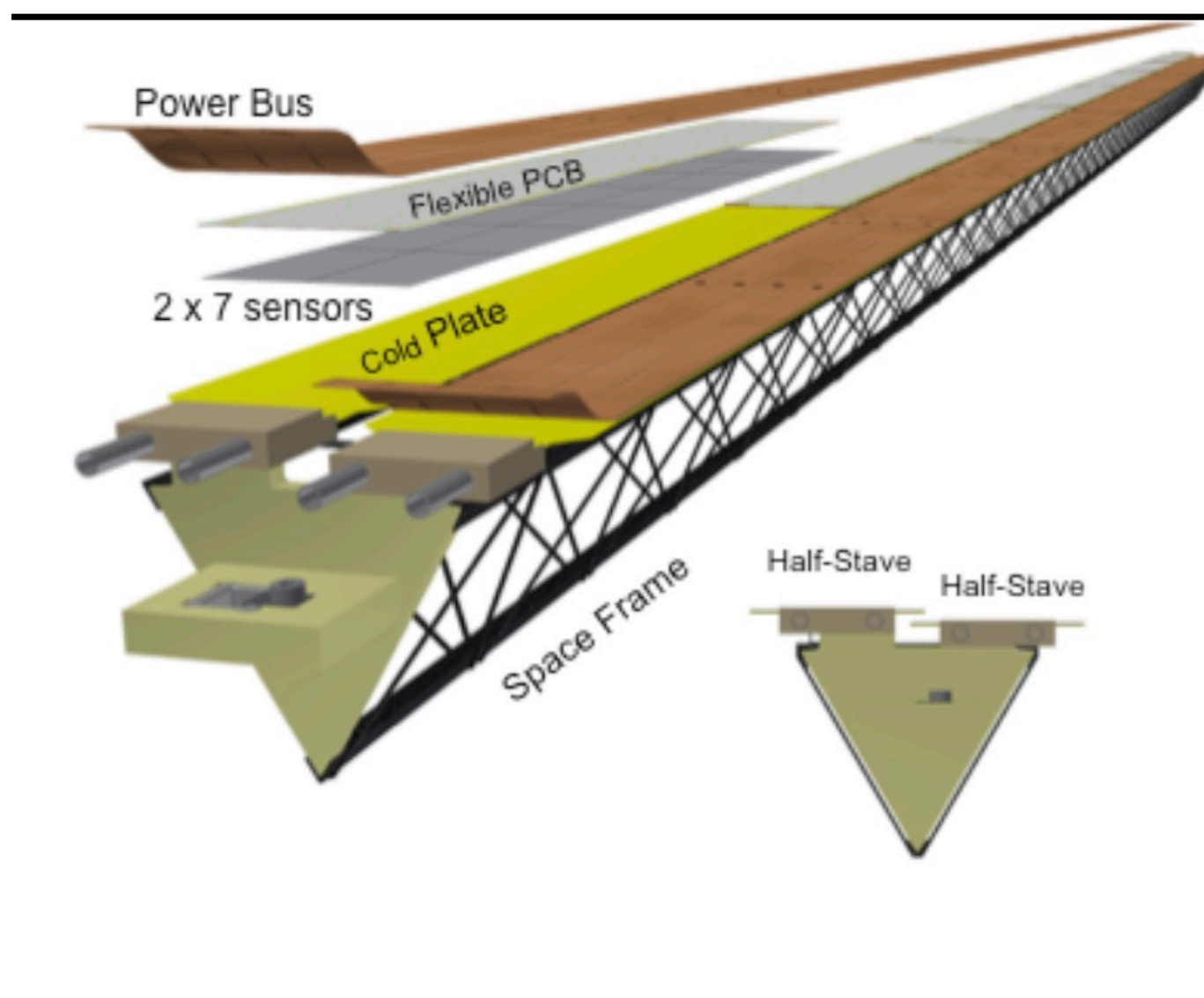
- Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (MAPS)
Sensor and readout on the same piece of silicon

Advantages

High granularity/precision
Minimal material/thickness
Low power density

Limitations

Radiation tolerance
Rate capability



Based on high resistivity epi layer MAPS

3 Inner Barrel layers (IB)
4 Outer Barrel layers (OB)

Radial coverage: 21-400 mm

~ 10 m²

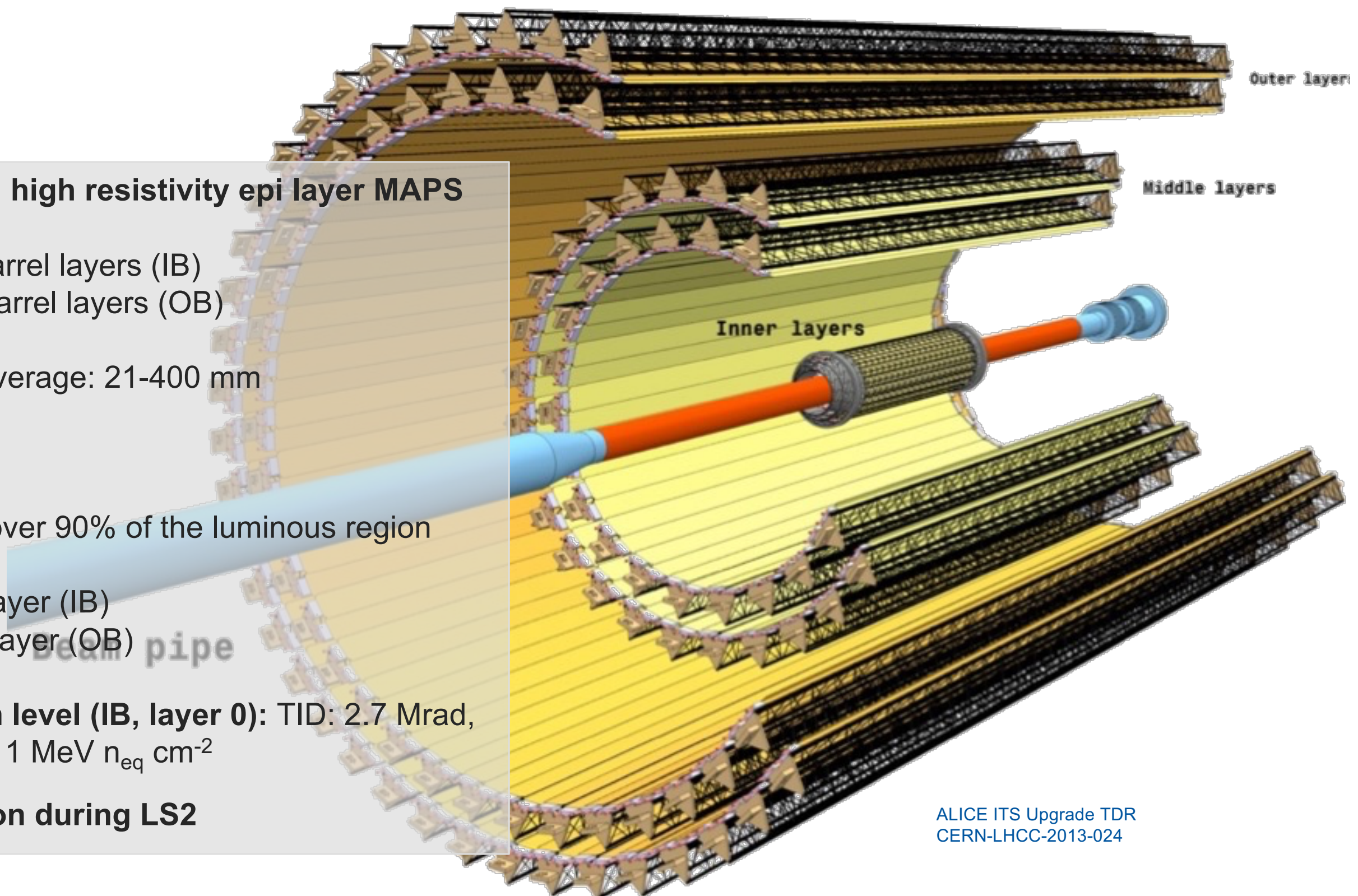
$|\eta| < 1.22$ over 90% of the luminous region

0.3% X_0 /layer (IB)

0.8 % X_0 /layer (OB)

Radiation level (IB, layer 0): TID: 2.7 Mrad,
1.7 x 10¹³ 1 MeV n_{eq} cm⁻²

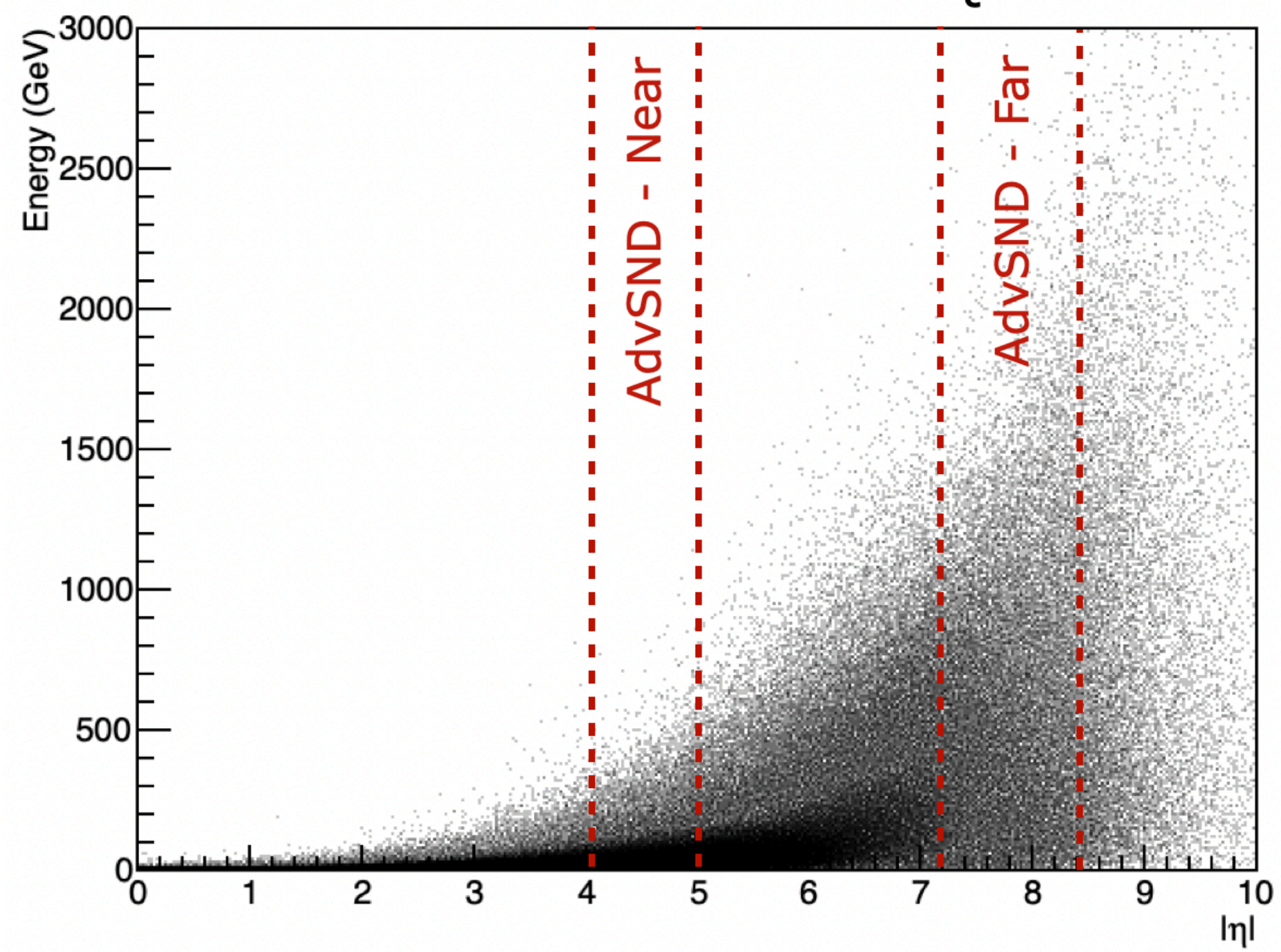
Installation during LS2



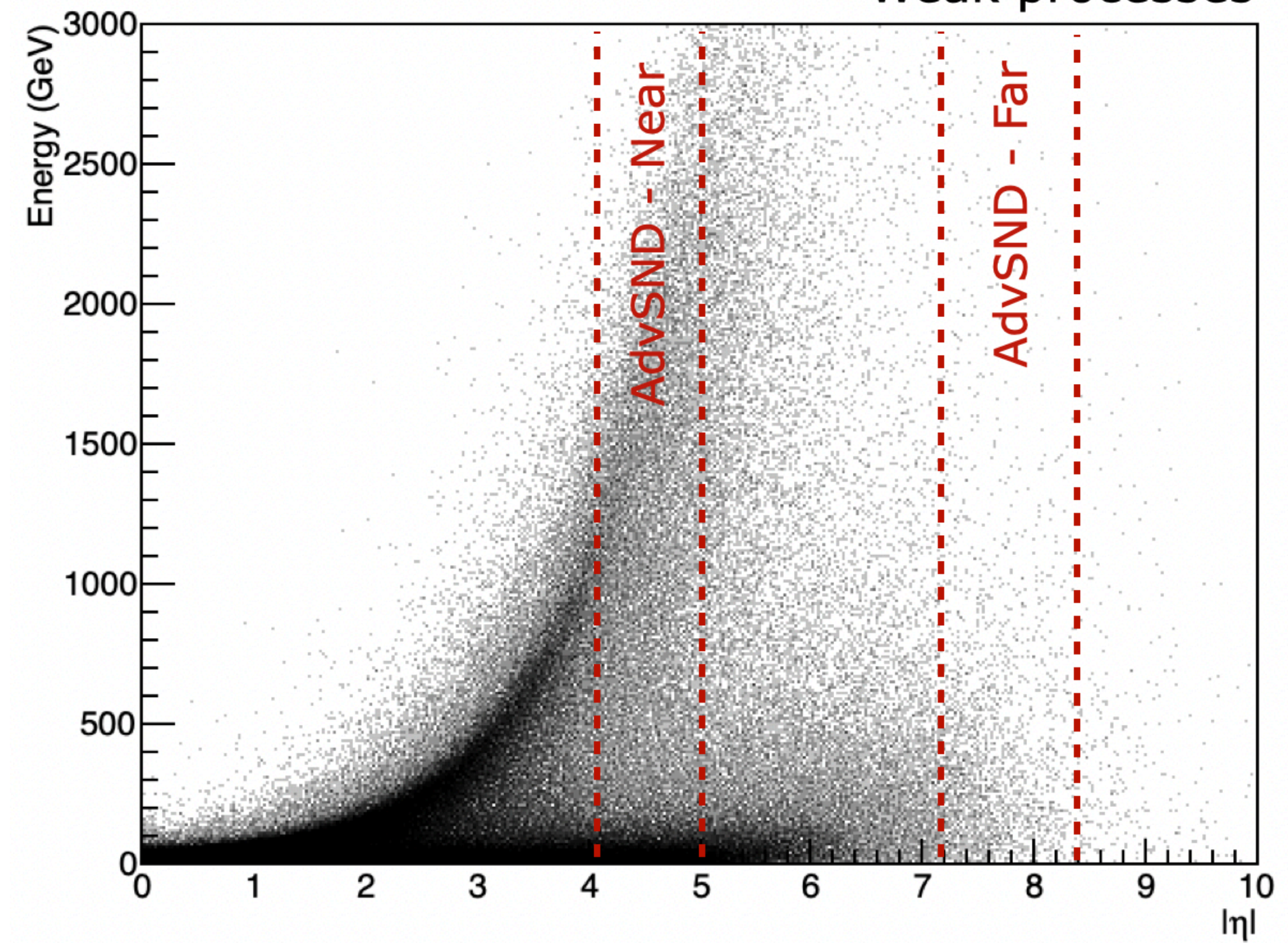
CONCLUSIONS

- Upgrade of SND@LHC in view of an extended run during Run 4:
 - Extension of the physics case
 - Two detectors
 - AdvSND-Far ($7.2 < \eta < 8.4$)
 - AdvSND-Near ($4 < \eta < 5$)
 - New technologies and detector layout
 - Magnetic spectrometer
 - New technologies for vertex detector

BACKUP SLIDES

HardQCD: $c\bar{c} + b\bar{b}$ 

Weak processes



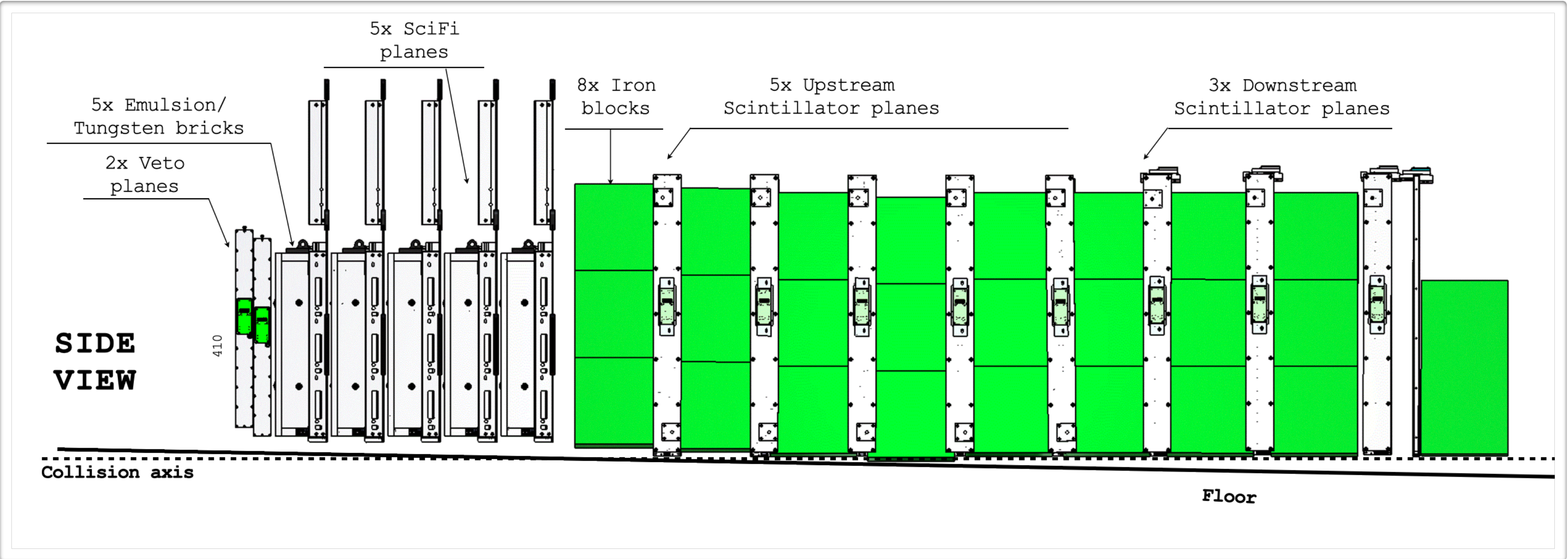
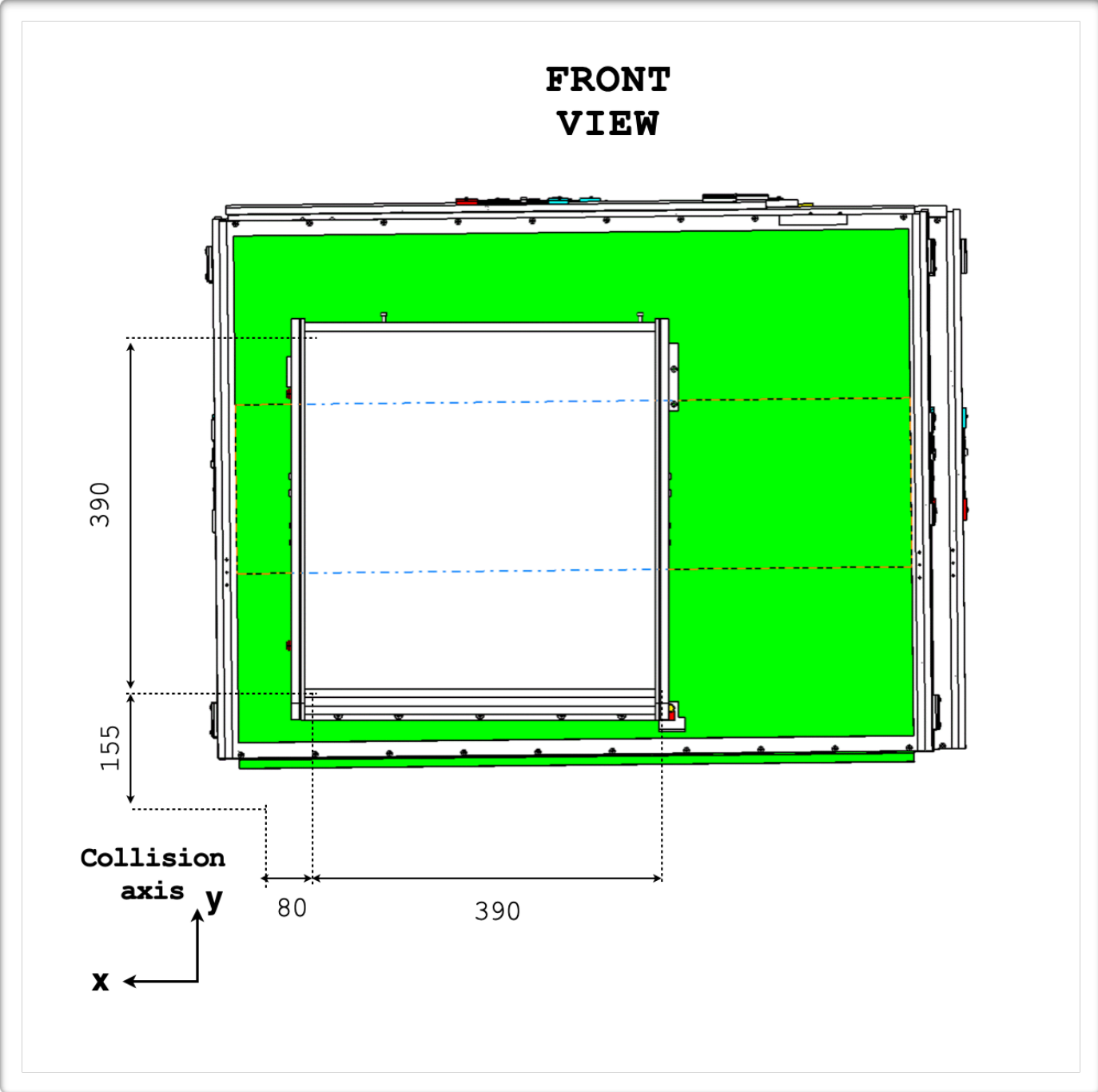
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- Target material: Tungsten
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- Surface: 390x390 mm²

Off axis location

Electromagnetic calorimeter
 $\sim 40 X_0$

Hadronic calorimeter
 $\sim 10 \lambda$



SND@LHC INSTALLATION IN TI18

- ▶ Detector commissioning on surface (North Area @CERN) in September and October 2021
- ▶ Installation in TI18 started on November 1st 2021
- ▶ Electronic detector installation completed on December 3rd 2021
- ▶ Installation of the neutron shield completed on March 15th 2022
- ▶ Installation of the first emulsion wall on April 7th 2022

September 2021



December 2021



March 2022



SND@LHC INSTALLATION IN TI18

