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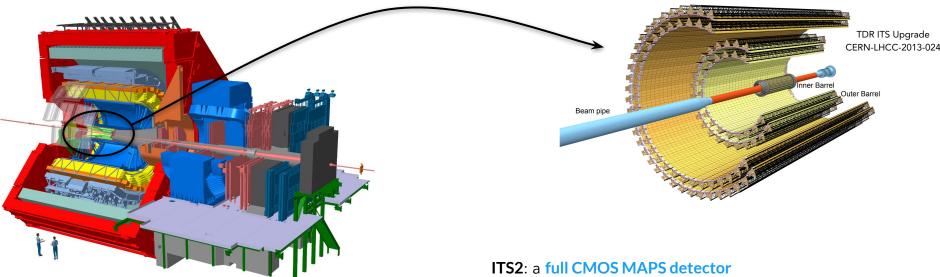
Implementation of bent pixel sensors analysis in the Corryvreckan framework

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ALICE detector





- ALICE is the heavy-ion physics focussed experiment at the LHC
- Main goal: study of the quark-gluon plasma in heavy-ion collisions
- Need high resolution vertexing and low momentum tracking in a high multiplicity environment \rightarrow must update tracker

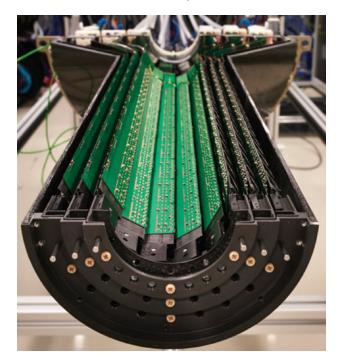
- installed during LHC Long Shutdown 2 (2021)
- ▶ 10 m² active silicon area, 12.5 Gpx
- ▶ 7 layers of ALPIDE sensors (3 inner + 4 outer)
- Iow material budget: 0.36% X_n/layer (innermost layer)
- ▶ sensors with high detection efficiency: **> 99%**
- good intrinsic position resolution: ~5 μm

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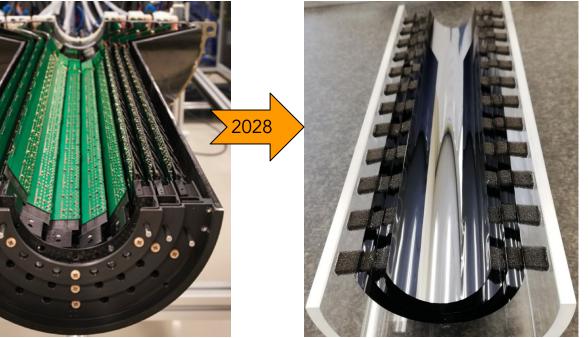


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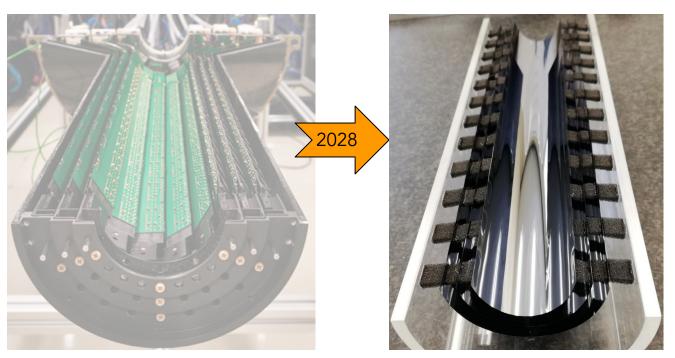
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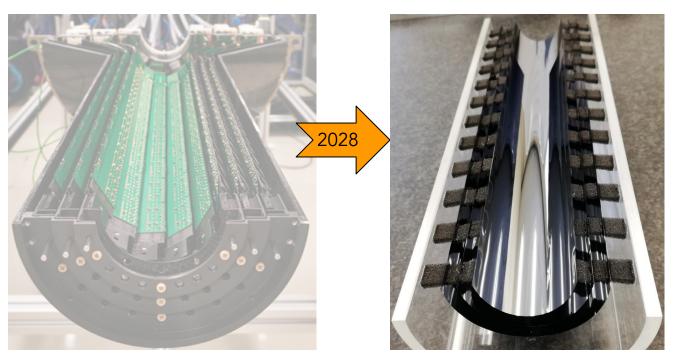
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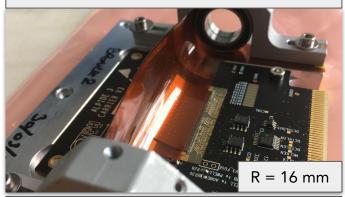


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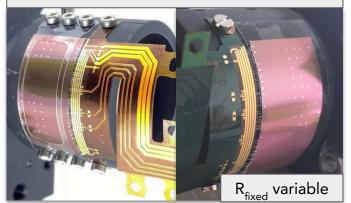
Bending ALPIDEs



Along the short edge, compressed circuitry



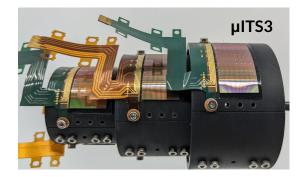
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Bending of ALPIDE sensors

- Functional chips bent routinely
- Electrical operation consistent (wrt flat state)
 - ▶ threshold, noise, dead pixels unaffected
- Setups that mimic the radii of the future ITS3 (18, 24, 30 mm)
 - ► proven to function effectively
 - ▶ efficiency, position resolution, stability unchanged

Bent MAPS working well! Performance unchanged!



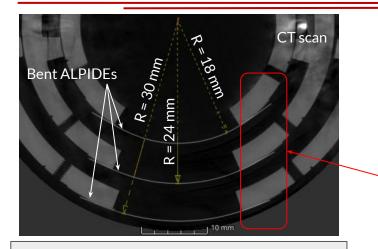
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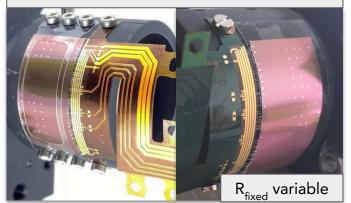
opening in the jig behind the sensor for beam tests (no material)

Radius control





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Issues observed with bending

CT and 3D profilometer scans of

sensors to assess possible deviations

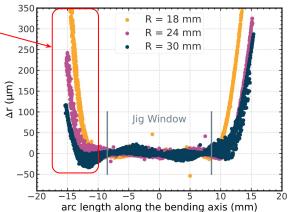
at most 30 µm deviation from R_{fixed}

Radius control

Good radius control

▶ inside the jig window

- with first prototype, sagging (Si relaxation) was observed
 - ► $R_{initial} = 16mm \rightarrow R_{data} = 22 mm \rightarrow R_{final} = 26mm$
- consequent versions built on 3D-printed jigs
 - v1: sensor glued with tape \rightarrow can detach
 - ▶ v2: kapton sleeve keeps the sensor on the jig



3D profilometer scan

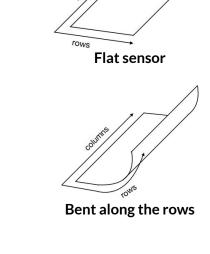
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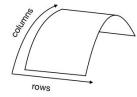
Software analysis

Bent sensors in code

- Corryvreckan framework used for testbeam data analysis
- > New class BentPixelDetector defined
 - new coordinate system: cartesian-bent
 - possibility to bend along rows or columns
 - Local to Global and Global to Local transformations redefined to account for bending
 - ▶ fixed **radius** of a perfect cylinder
 - ▶ rotation of sensor around the center
 - ▶ radius sign controls the orientation wrt beam axis







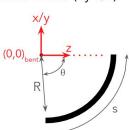
Bent along the columns



Bending along rows/columns

(0,0)

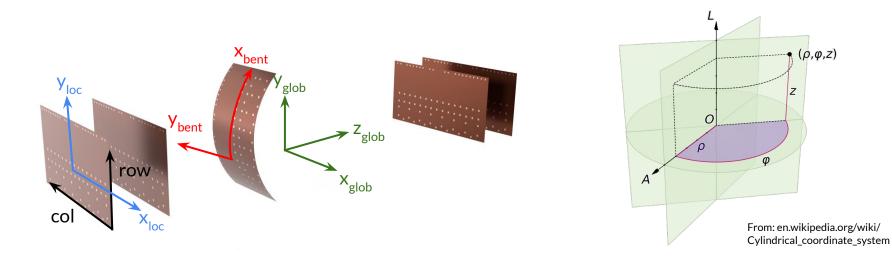
Positive R Negative R



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Coordinate system changes

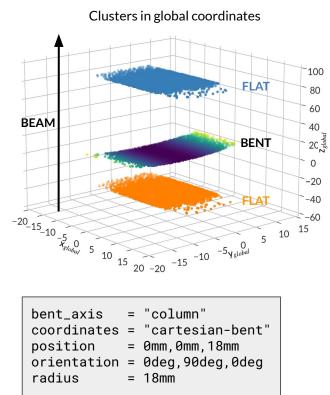


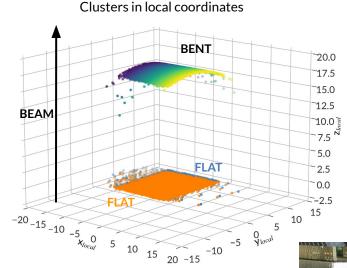


- Local position defined as a ROOT::Math::RhoZPhiVector
 - fixed radius (input from the user)
 - one direction (column/row) is bent, the other one is not sensitive to bending effects (along z in cylindrical coordinates)
 - ▶ only one bending direction is possible in the code

Local vs global coordinates







This example

- ➡ Bent sensor with R=18 mm
- Facing the beam
- ➡ Rotated by 90°
- (motivated by mechanics)

Local coordinate system

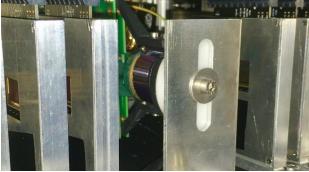
- \implies Flat sensors fixed at z=0
- Bent sensor has cylinder center at z=0

Global coordinate system

5.0

2.5

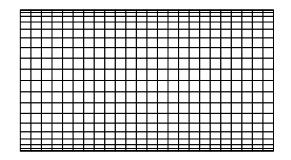
Flat sensors have the z position from the geometry file (measured)



NB: sensors are aligned

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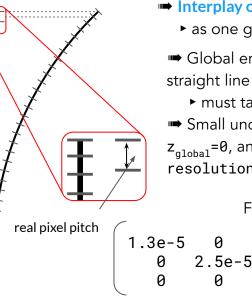




Pixel matrix as seen by an incoming track

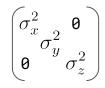
Bent sensors in code

- ➡ Intersection of tracks with the sensor happens at a different z position
- Non-zero residuals along z
- The incoming track sees "contracted" pixels where the sensor is bent



Interplay of resolution along bent direction and z direction

- as one grows, the other shrinks
- Global error matrix used for straight line fit
 - must take z correctly into account
- Small uncertainty if clusters close to z_{global} =0, and increasing up to resolution² for the most bent part



0

4.9e-7

For 5 µm resolution of the sensors:

2.3e-5

0

0

	1.3e-5	0	0
	0	2.5e-5	0
	0	0	1.1e-5
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Example of global spatial resolution error matrix for a hit near the most bent part

▶ if hit is at a large angle, the uncertainty in z is comparable with the one in **x**

Example of global spatial resolution error matrix for a somewhat central hit (flat-like sensor error matrix)

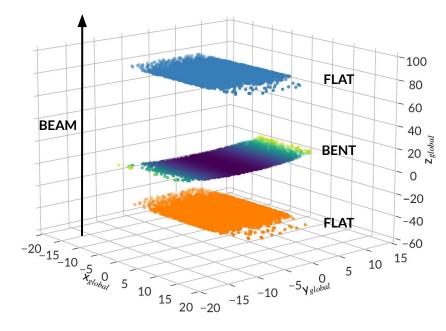
0 2.5e-5

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 if hit is perpendicular on surface, there is almost no uncertainty in z

Clustering





All clusters

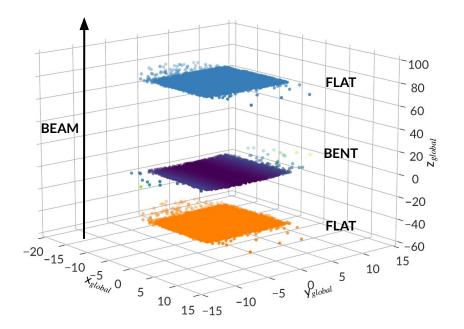
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- ➡ Plotting all clusters on all planes

trigger given by scintillator
 coincidence (area > sensor surface)

Clustering



One cluster per plane per event

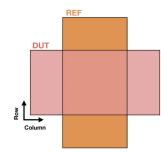


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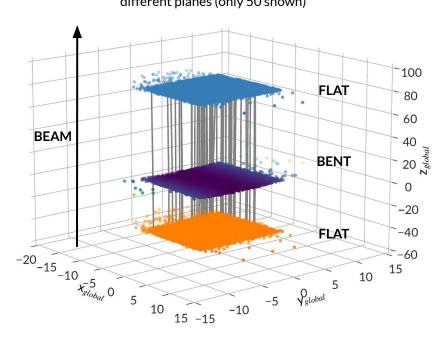
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Tracking





All cluster combinations from the different planes (only 50 shown)

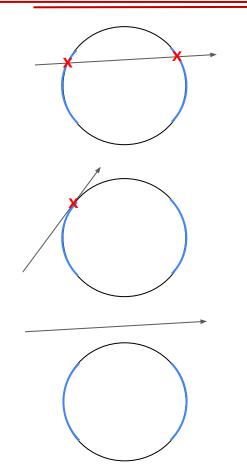
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- Tracking done with straight-line fit
- \rightarrow line intersection with a cylinder:

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Intersection of tracks with sensors



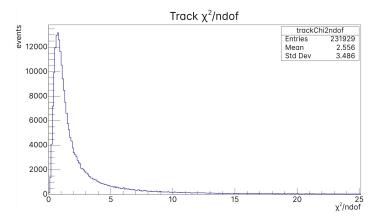


Line intersection with a cylinder

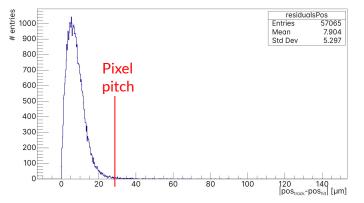
- **two** intersection points
 - select the one according to how the sensor is bent (positive R vs negative R)
 - ▶not considering cases with grazing angle geometry
- one intersection point
 tangent on the surface
- no intersection points
- further checks for finite sensor length
 if sensors have limited extent and intercepts are found outside, throw an error
 not yet implemented

A few checks





Absolute distance between track and hit in global coordinates



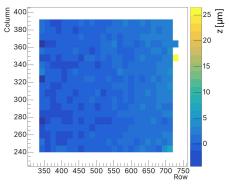
Control plots

- **Good alignment** (straight tracks)
- Distance between track intercept and hit position is less than a pixel pitch
- ➡ Residual mean is uniform and less than 10 µm over the surface
 ➡ Detachment of the sensor is remarked as increased values of the residual mean

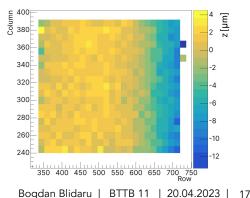


NB: 5.4 GeV e⁻ (DESY)

Residuals mean in the non-bent direction (y)



Residuals mean in the bent direction (x)



Until now

- Merge request submitted to Corryvreckan master
- Work ongoing (thanks Lennart!)

So far implemented

- Coordinate transformations
- Resolution in z and correct covariance matrix of spatial resolution
- Straight-line tracking and track intercept with the bent sensor

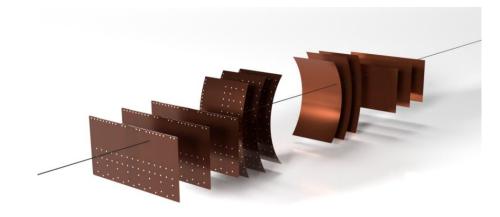
Work in progress

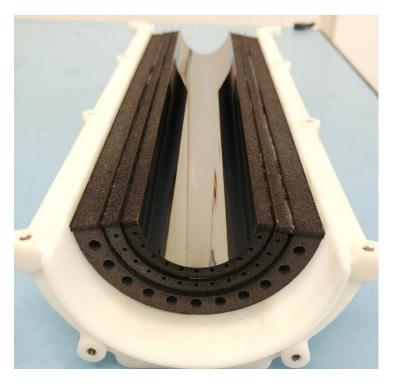
- 🗯 General Broken Line (GBL) fit
 - calculation of the Jacobian between planes assumes planar detector at position z
- Understand how degrees of freedom affect the alignment





- In the near future, bent sensors will be available in Corryvreckan
- Currently working on the merge request; few more checks needed
- \blacksquare Work ongoing on tracking with GBL and alignment validation
- Input and suggestions are appreciated!



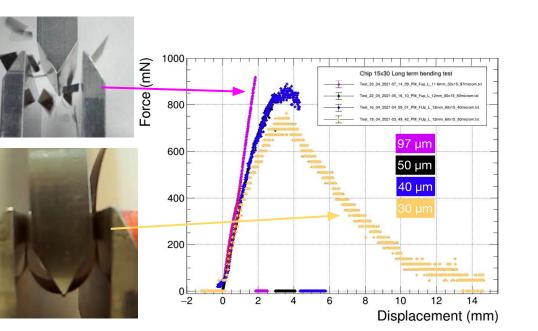


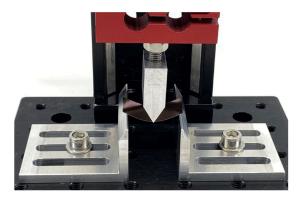




Bending tests



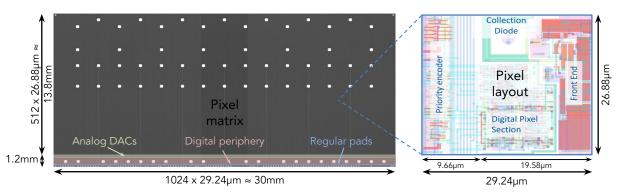


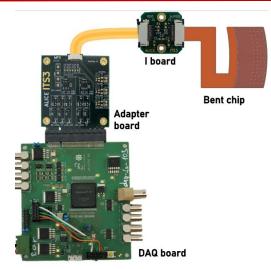


- ALPIDEs are in the right order of thickness:
 50/100 μm vs 20-30 μm (ITS3)
- Thinner is better: silicon behaves like paper
- ITS3 target radii: 18, 24, 30 mm









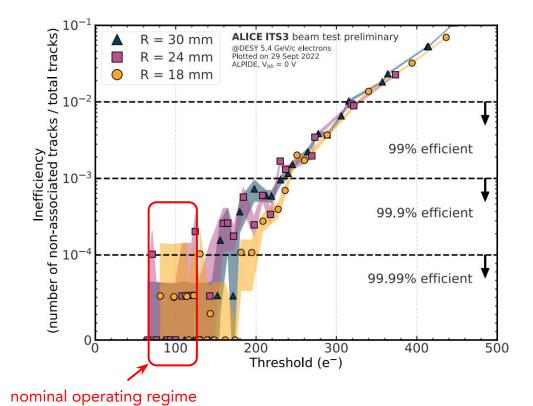
Design

- TowerJazz 180 nm CMOS Imaging Process
- High resistivity (>1 kΩcm) p-type epitaxial layer (25 µm)
- Small NWELL diode (2 μm) diameter (pixel: 29×27 μm²)
- \rightarrow low capacitance (~fF) \rightarrow low noise
- Reverse bias (up to -6V) used to increase depletion

Specifications

- ► 0.5 Mpx sensor
- ► 50 / 100 µm thick (IB/OB)
- ► >99.9% efficient
- \ll 10⁻⁶ fake hits/ px/ event
- ~5 μ m position resolution



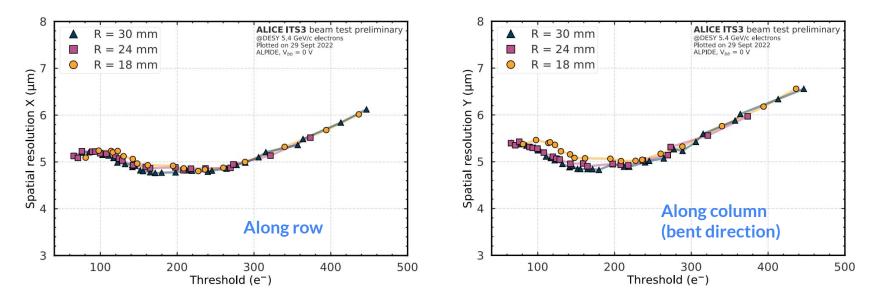


- ➡ No effects on the bending radius
- Efficiency > 99% for nominal operating regime
- Compatible with flat ALPIDE
- Consistent with published results where the other bending direction was investigated

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Performance of bent ALPIDEs

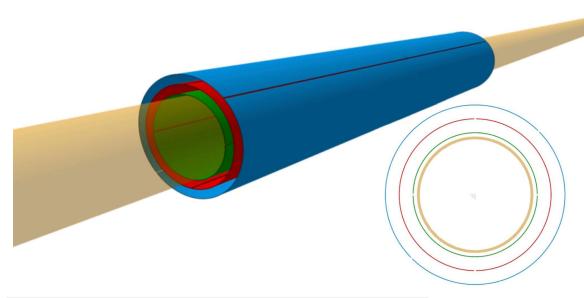




- ➡ No effects on the bending radius
- \blacksquare Spatial resolution consistent with ALPIDEs in flat state (~5 μ m)

ITS3 details





Beam pipe inner/outer radius (mm)	16.0 / 16.5		
	Layer 0	Layer 1	Layer 2
Radial distance from IP (mm)	18	24	30
Pixel sensor dimensions (mm ²)	280×56.5	280×75.5	280×94
Sensitive area length (mm)		300	
Pixel size (μm²)	O(10×10)		

- Ultra thin and closer to the interaction point
- Layer 0: $23 \rightarrow 18 \text{ mm}$
- ► Layer thickness:

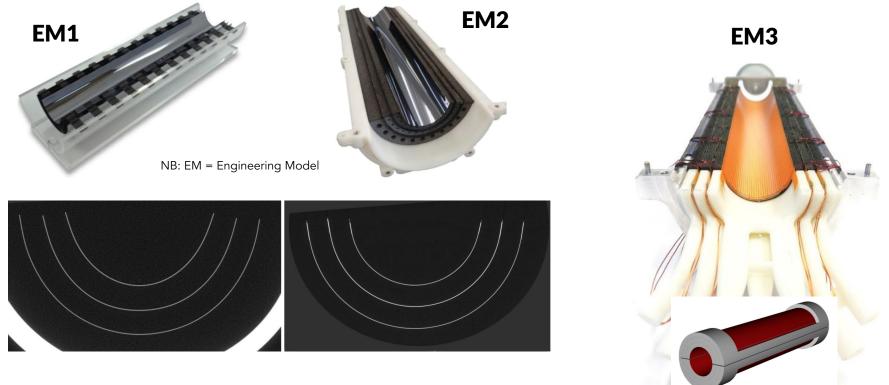
0.35 → < 0.05% X₀/layer (beampipe: 500 µm Be 0.14% X₀) ► Uniformly distributed material

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- \blacksquare Wafer scale \leftarrow stitching
- ➡ Layout based on air cooling

Carbon foam and cooling structures

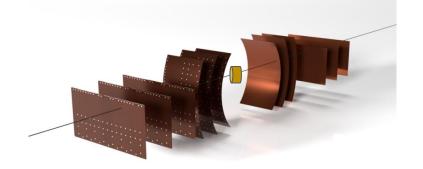




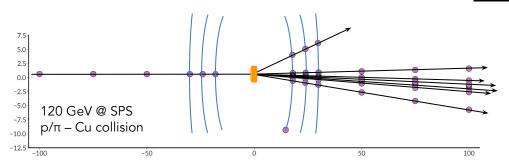
 \rightarrow footprint \rightarrow imperfect radius \rightarrow nominal radius \rightarrow need to add services

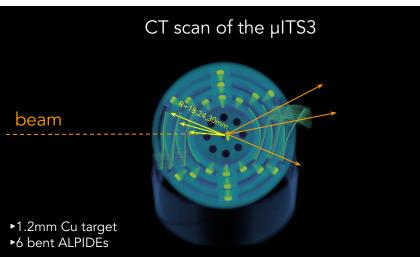
Exotic geometries





 ➡ 6 reference flat ALPIDE (3+3 up/downstream)
 ➡ µITS3: probably the most compact beam telescope (6 sensors, ITS3 radii: 18, 24, 30 mm)





tracking with GBL (incl. multiple scattering)
 investigation of standalone tracking and DCA (distance of closest approach) measurements