

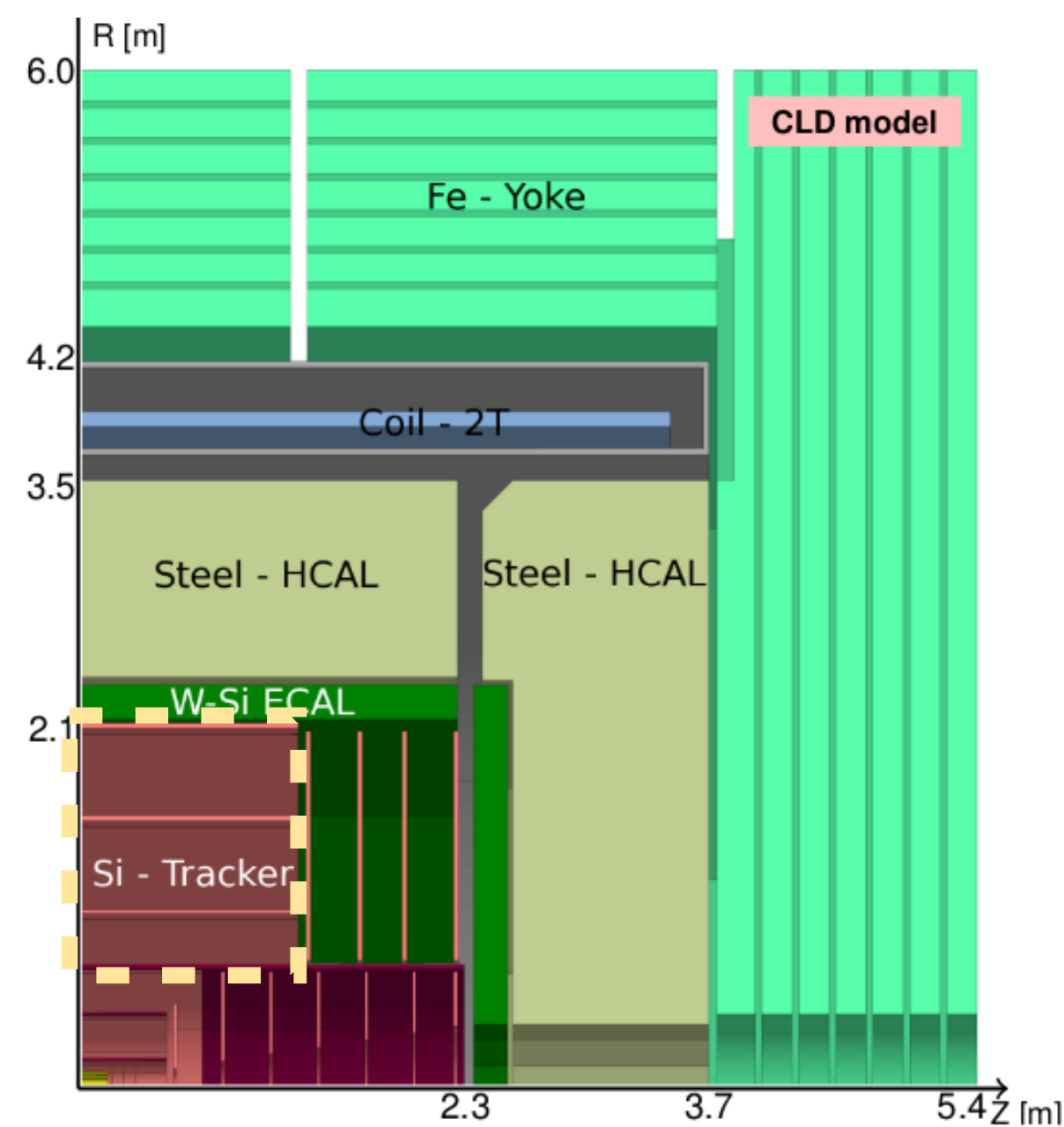


# Gaseous trackers at FCC-ee

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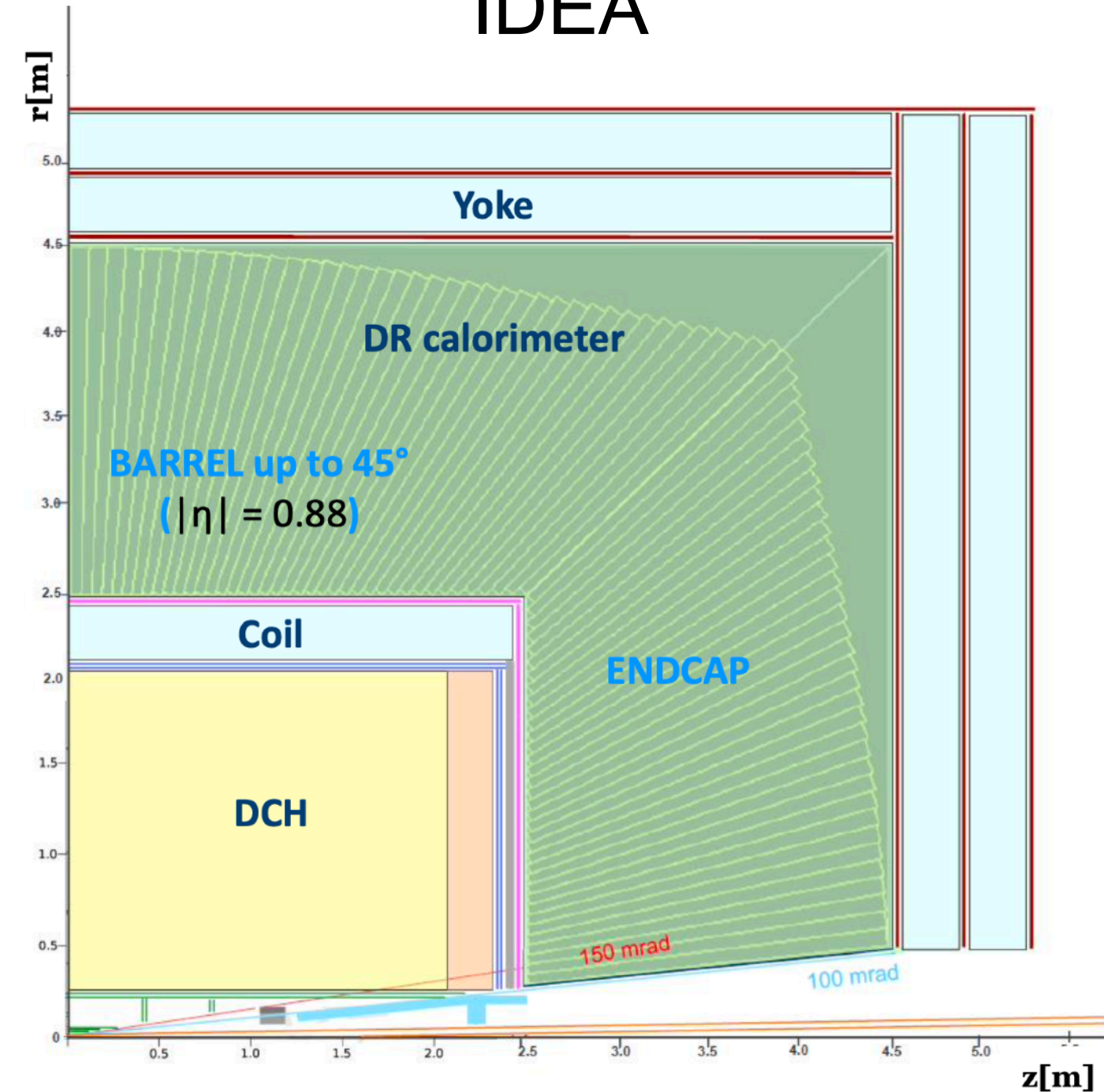
# Detector concepts for FCC-ee - Focus on Trackers

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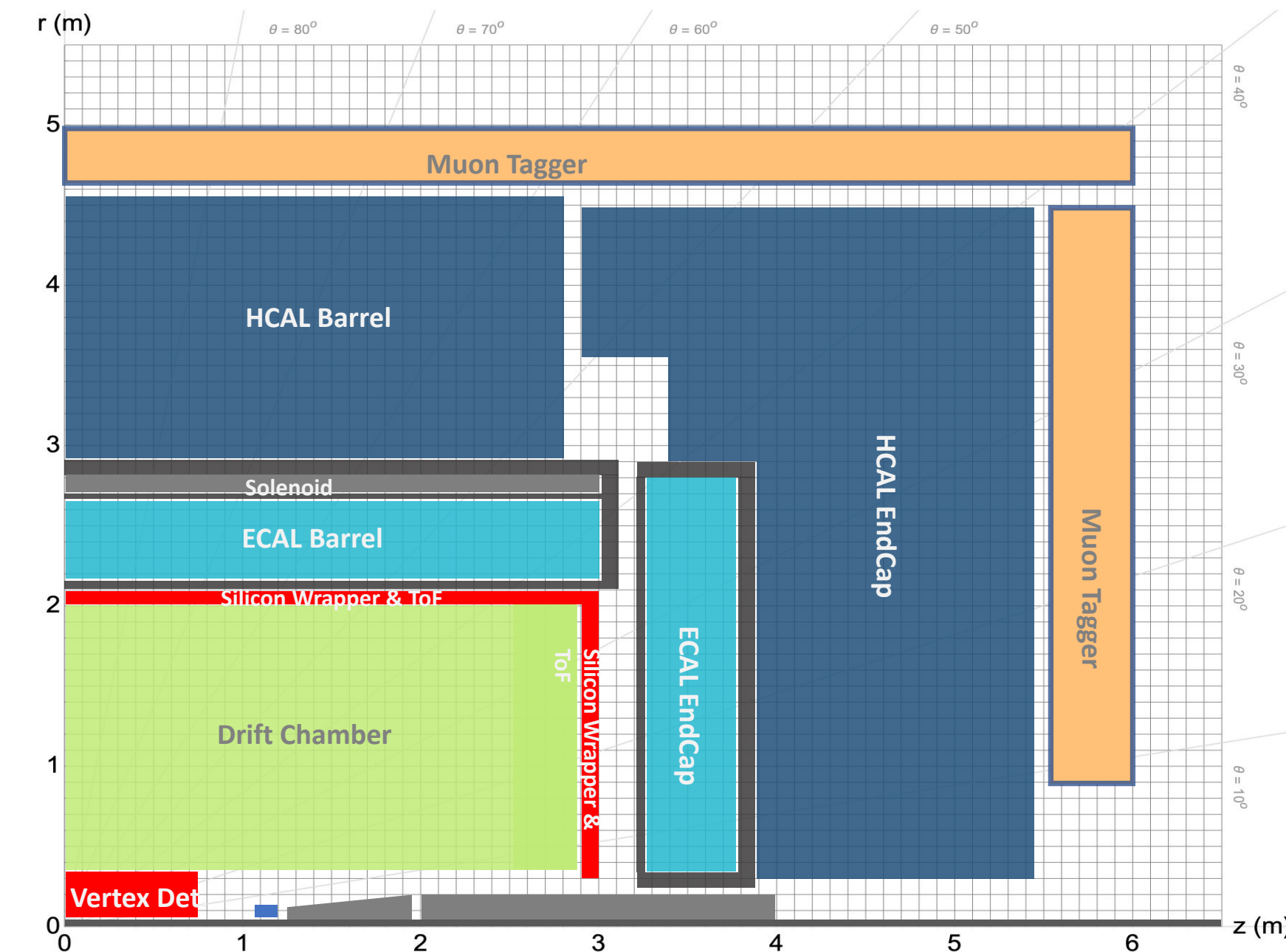
- All-silicon tracker
- Proposal of a TPC as main tracker
- Recent proposal

IDEA



- Transparent Drift Chamber
- 112 layers
- **4m Long**
- R = 35-200cm
- (Outer Silicon wrapper for ToF)

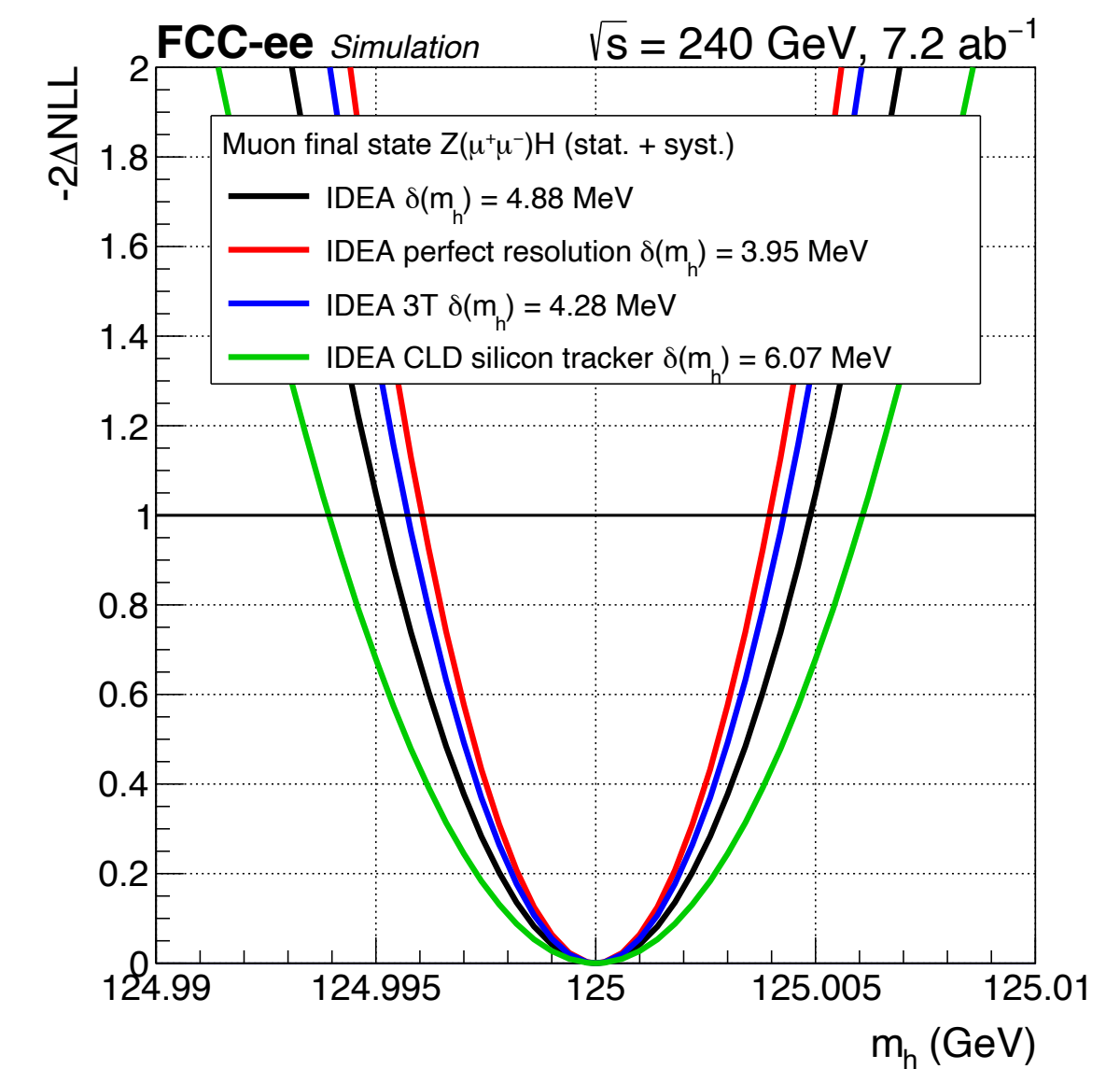
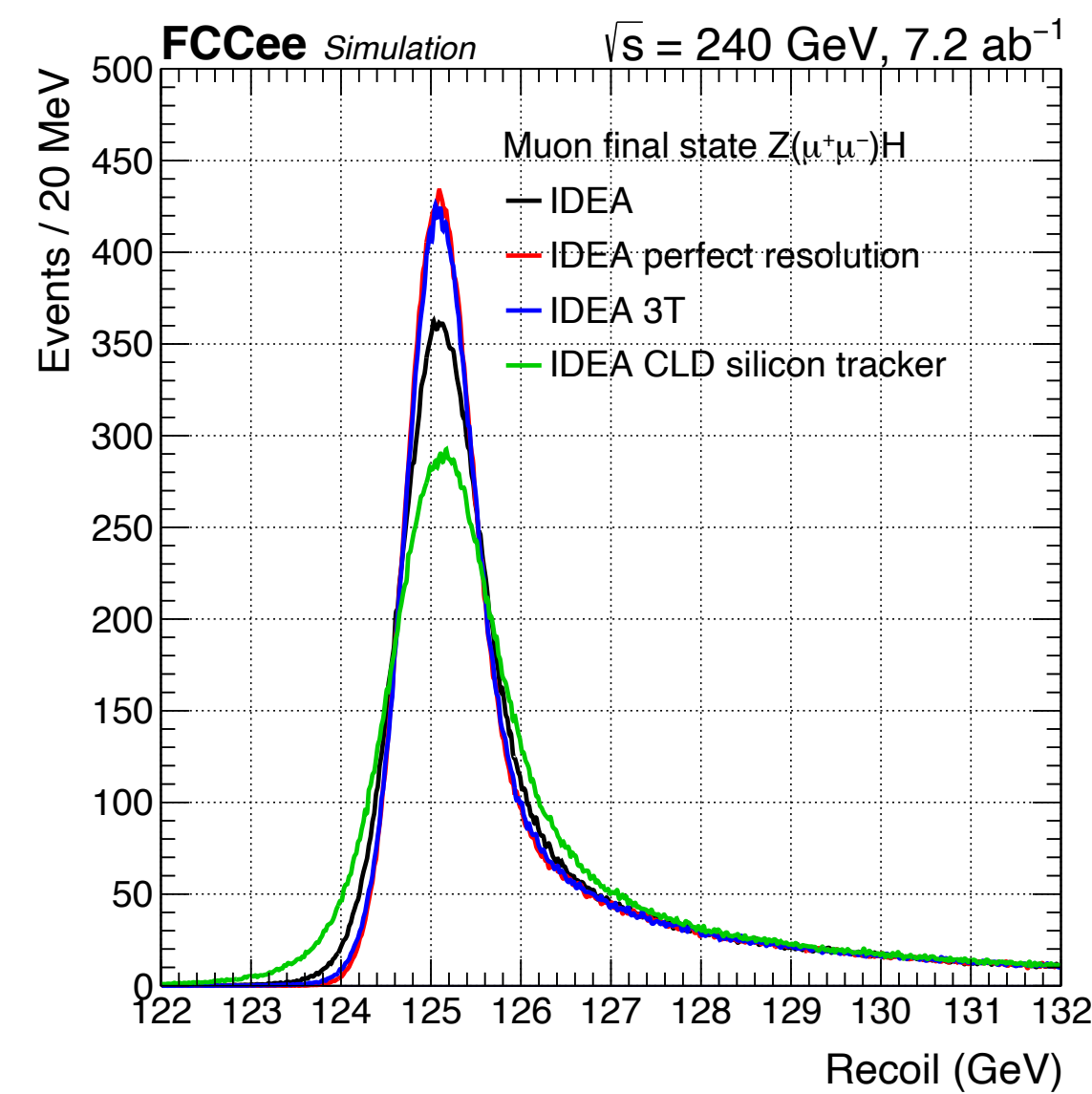
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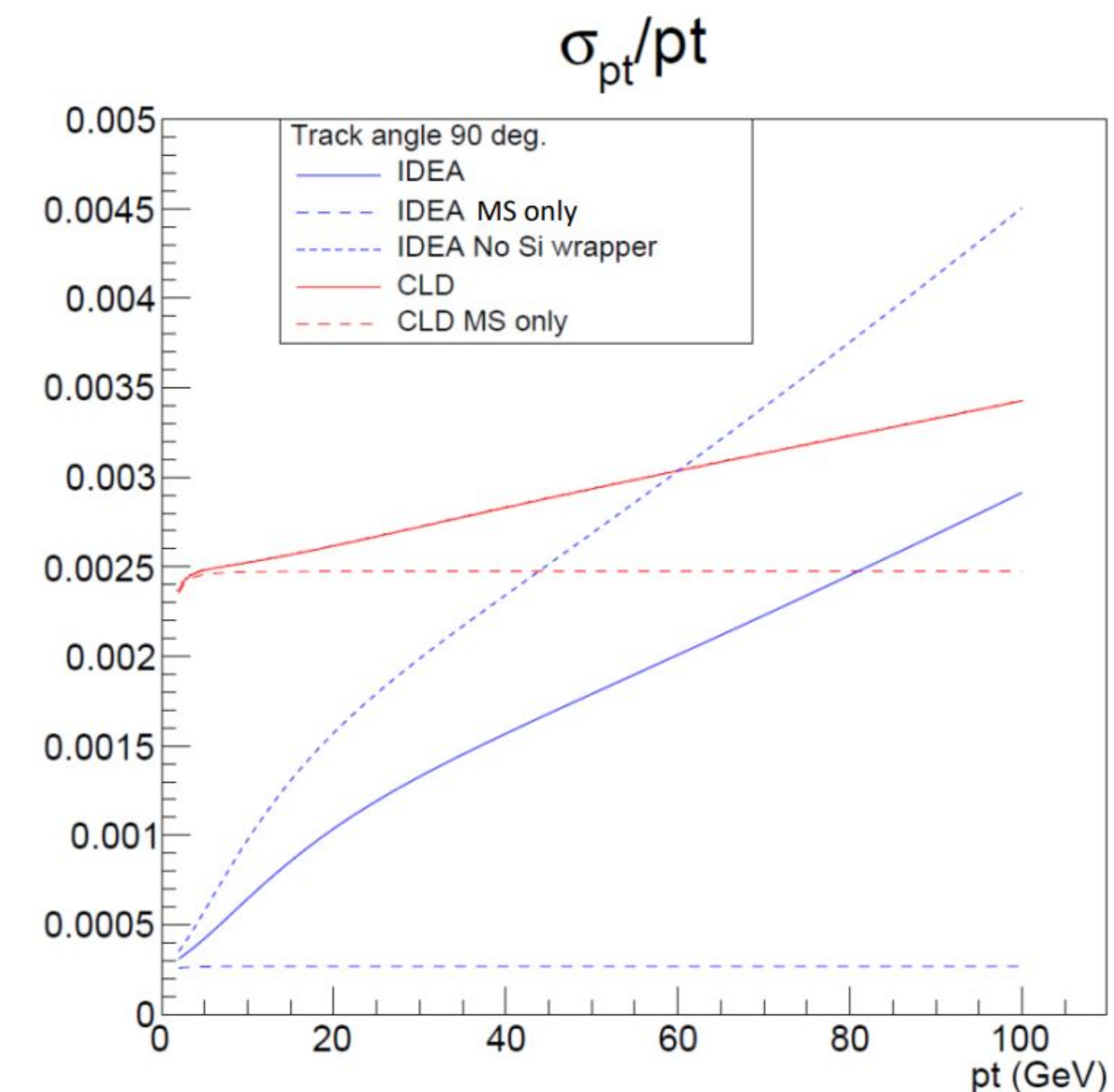
- Transparent Drift Chamber or straw tubes
- **5m Long**
- R = 35-200cm
- Basically follows the same layout with IDEA concept
- Tracker design open to new ideas and developments
- (Outer Silicon wrapper for ToF) <sup>2</sup>

# Requirements

- Tracking in FCC-ee crucial for many physics cases, precision measurements: flavor physics, QCD, LLVs,  $B$  physics etc.
- Higgs mass measured at its intrinsic width (4 MeV)
- $M_{\text{recoil}}$  for  $Z(\mu^+\mu^-)H$  determined by BES (0.185%)
  - Momentum resolution should be at the same level  $\sim \mathcal{O}(50) \text{ GeV } \sigma_{p_T}/p_T \sim 0.2\%$
  - Transparency of the tracker is crucial



• [J. Eysermans, A. Li, G. Bernardi. FCC note: Higgs boson mass and model-independent ZH cross-section at FCC-ee in the di-electron and di-muon final states](#)



# Gaseous trackers - applications and advantages

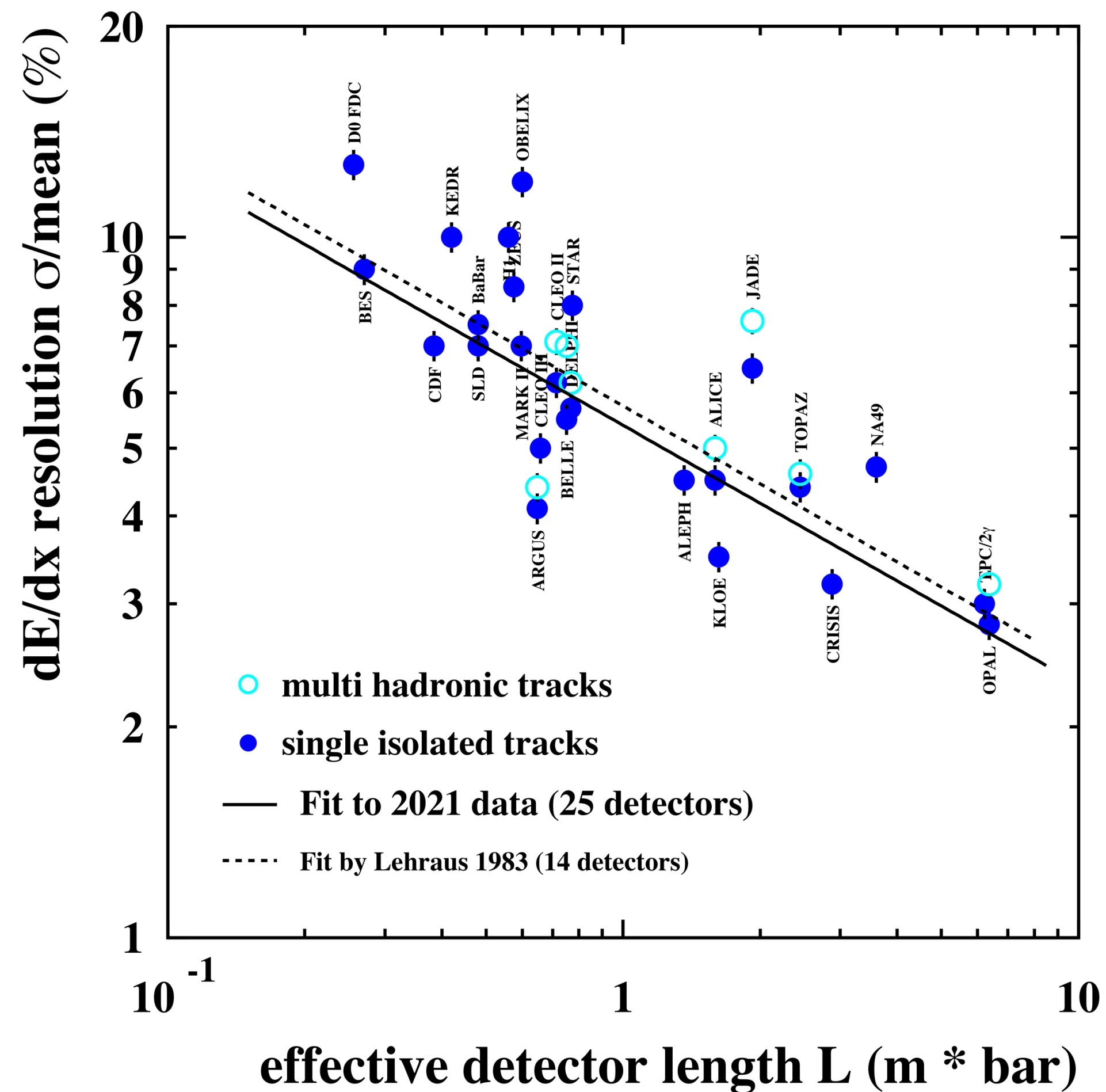
- **Gaseous** detectors have been used in experiments for **tracking** applications for the last **~50y**,
- MWPC, Drift chambers, TPCs, Straw tubes
- Tracking system should be as **light** as possible
- **Momentum resolution** dominated by multiple scattering at low momentum
- **Particle Flow** requires as little material as possible in front of ECAL
- **PID** capabilities, over wide momentum range
- Tracking detectors though **do not measure** the full energy loss of a particle!

Facility	Experiment	Detector type
SPEAR	MARK2	Drift Chamber
	MARK3	Drift Chamber
DORIS	PLUTO	MWPC
	ARGUS	Drift Chamber
CESR	CLEO1,2,3	Drift Chamber
VEPP2/4M	CMD-2	Drift Chamber
	KEDR	Drift Chamber
	NSD	Drift Chamber
PETRA	CELLO	MWPC + Drift Ch.
	JADE	Drift Chamber
	PLUTO	MWPC
	MARK-J	TEC + Drift Ch.
	TASSO	MWPC + Drift Ch.
TRISTAN	AMY	Drift Chamber
	VENUS	Drift Chamber
	TOPAZ	TPC
PEP	MARK2	Drift Chamber
	PEP-4	TPC
	MAC	Drift Chamber
	HRS	Drift Chamber
	DELCO	MWPC
BEPC	BES1,2	Drift Chamber
LEP	ALEPH	TPC
	DELPHI	TPC
	L3	Si + TEC
	OPAL	Drift Chamber
SLC	MARK2	Drift Chamber
	SLD	Drift Chamber
DAPHNE	KLOE	Drift Chamber
PEP2	BaBar	Drift Chamber
KEKB	Belle	Drift Chamber

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VEPP2000	CMD-3	Drift Chamber
	KEDR	Drift Chamber
BEPC2	BES3	Drift Chamber
S.KEKB	Belle2	Drift Chamber
LHC	ALICE	TPC
	ATLAS	Straw tubes
	LHCb	Straw tubes
CERN SPS	COMPASS	Drift Chamber + Straw
	NA35	TPC
	NA49	TPC
RHIC	STAR	TPC
	PHENIX	Drift Chamber
PSI	MEGII	Drift Chamber
ILC	ILD	TPC
	SiD	Si
FCC-ee	CLD	Si or TPC
	IDEA	Drift Chamber
	ALLEGRO	Drift Chamber, Straw
SCTF	BINP	Drift Chamber
	HIEPA	Drift Chamber

\*not an exhaustive list

# The $dE/dx$ for gaseous detectors (trackers)

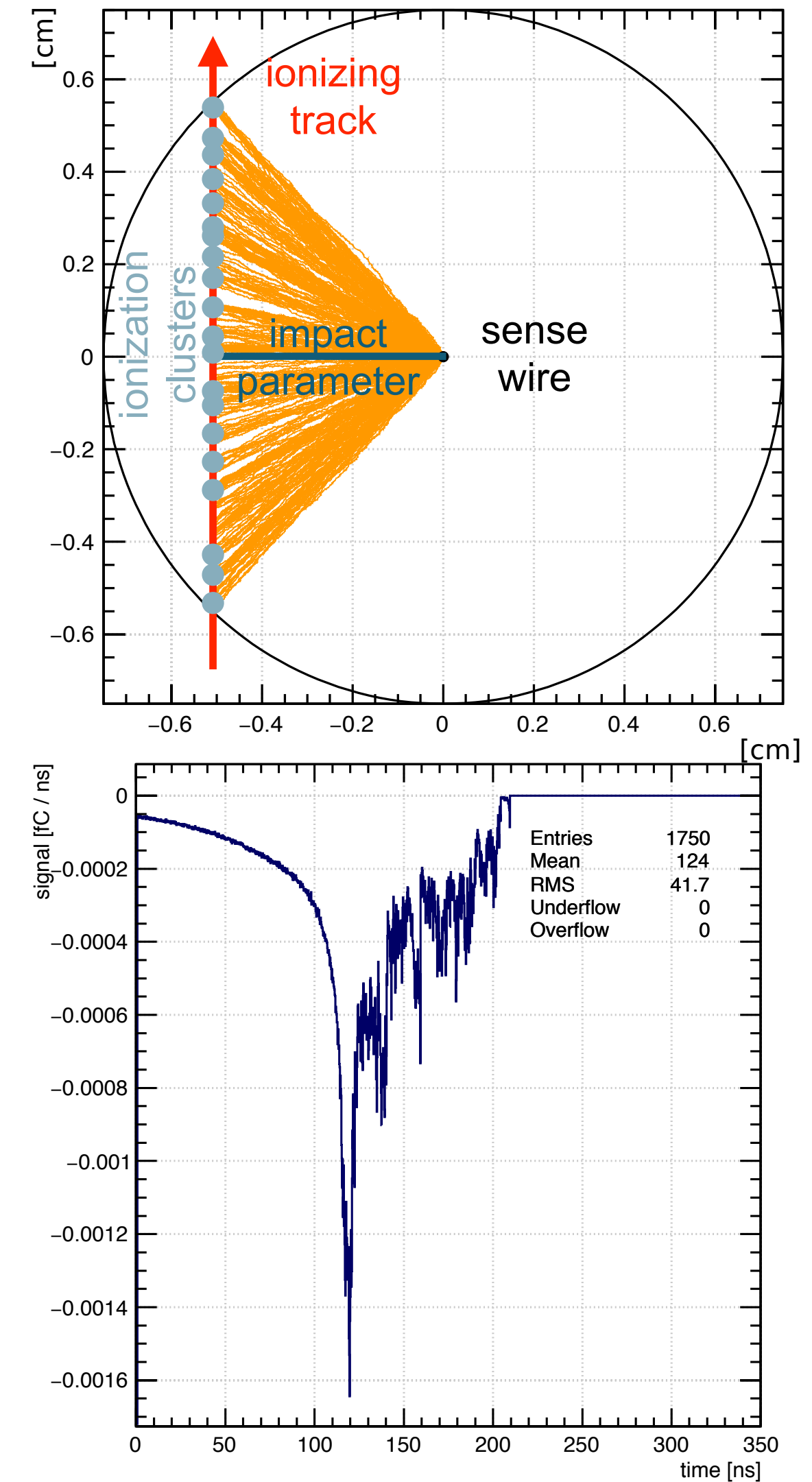


- In “modern” gaseous tracking detectors, the velocity dependence of the energy loss is used to infer the mass of the particle (PID) in combination with momenta measurement
- $dE/dx$  resolution achieved in large detectors, mainly at  $e^+e^-$  colliders, at some hadron colliders and fixed target experiments
  - Truncated mean mostly used  $\rightarrow$  empirically set
- Fit by Lehraus 1983 (14 detectors)
  - $\Rightarrow dE/dx \text{ res.} = 5.7 \cdot L^{-0.37} (\%)$
- Fit in 2021 (25 detectors):
  - $\Rightarrow dE/dx \text{ res.} = 5.4 \cdot L^{-0.37} (\%)$
- 5.4% typical  $dE/dx$  resolution for 1 m track length
  - $\Rightarrow$  no significant change to 1983
- **performance of present generation of detectors as predicted ~40 years ago**

# The $dN_{cl}/dx$ technique

- Based on A.H. Walenta research in 1980s who showed that **additional charge** comes from **number of primary clusters** and not from energy per cluster
- Technique is to **define ionization clusters** from the signal formation **distribution** within the track footprint
  - Ordered in time electrons (average time separation within clusters)
  - Electrons per cluster (primary & secondary ionizations)
  - Number of clusters per track
- Further improvement by adding the Cluster timing (spatial resolution, timestamp etc)

Drift tube simulation  
Garfield



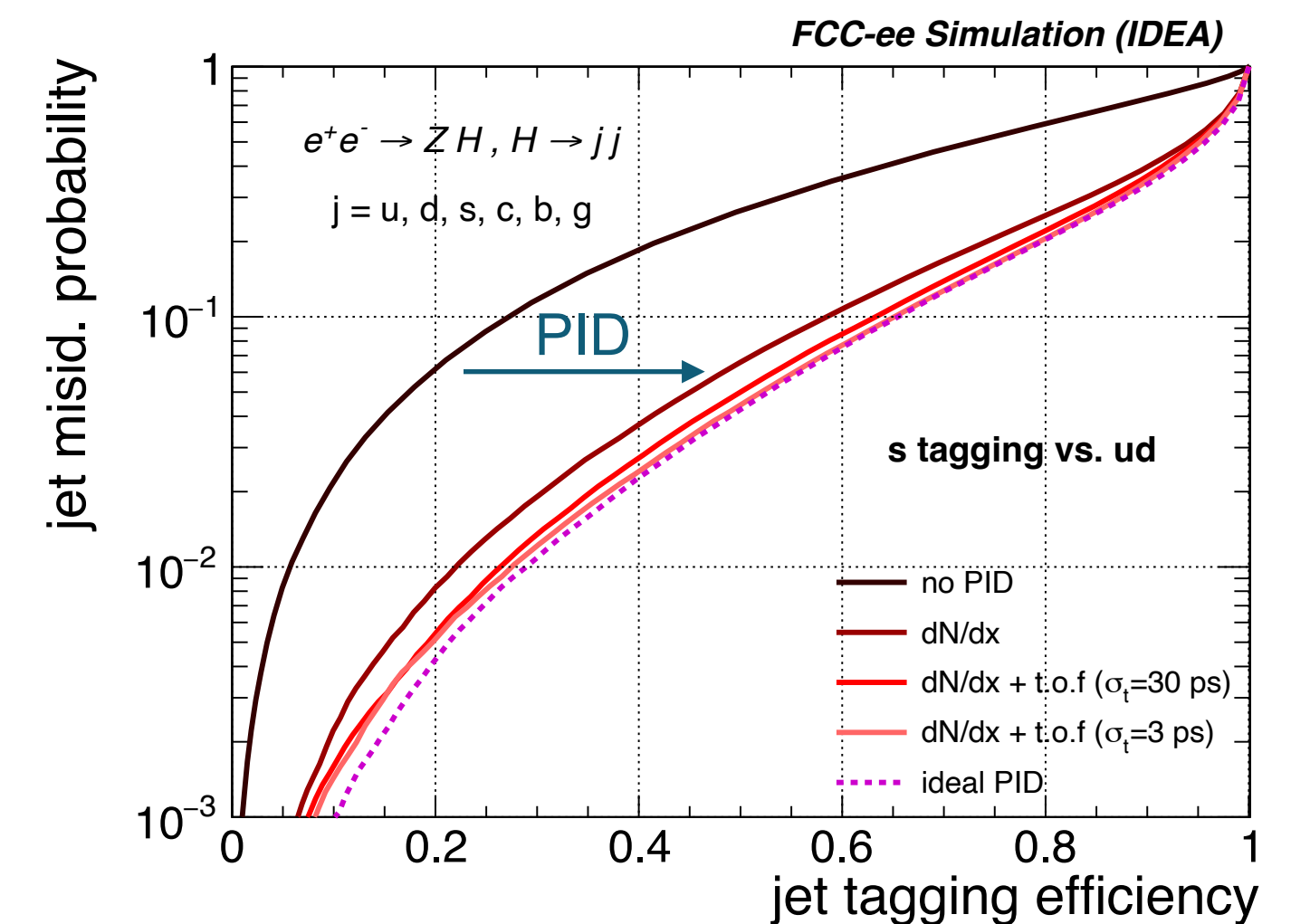
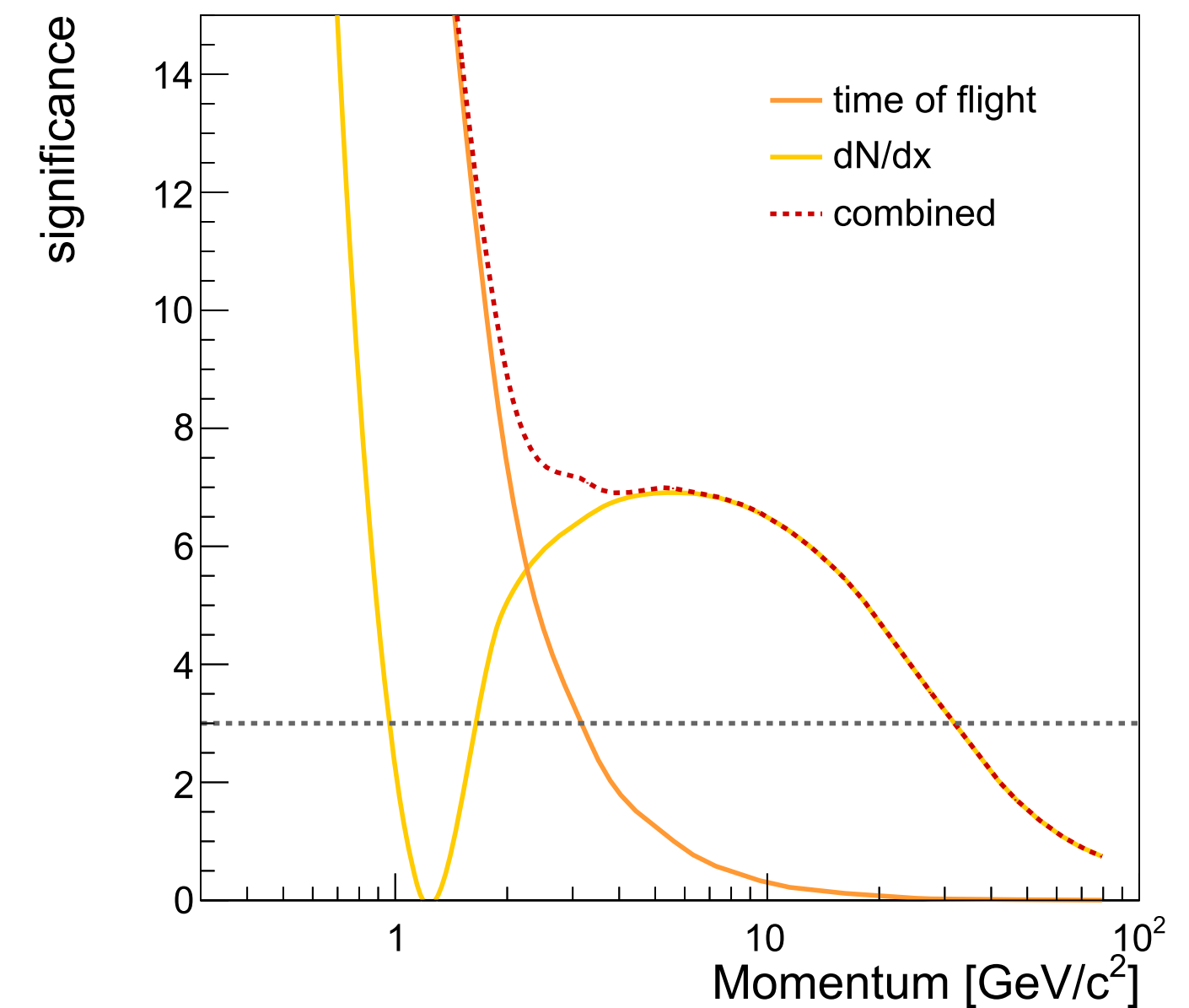
$dE/dx$	$dN_{cl}/dx$
$\frac{\sigma_{dE/dx}}{(dE/dx)} = 0.41 \cdot n^{-0.43} (L_{\text{track}}[\text{m}] \cdot P[\text{atm}])^{-32}$	$\frac{\sigma_{dN_{cl}/dx}}{(dN_{cl}/dx)} = (\delta_{cl} \cdot L_{\text{track}})^{-1/2} = N_{cl}^{-1/2}$
trunc. mean (80%), n=112, 2m at 1atm (Walenta param.)	$\delta_{cl} = 12.5/\text{cm}$ for He+10%iC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> and 2m (Poisson distr.)
$\sigma \approx 4.3\%$	$\sigma \approx 2.0\%$

→ IDEA DCH

# The $dN_{c1}/dx$ benefit

- The  $dN_{c1}/dx$  technique provides **improved PID capabilities** to gaseous trackers for low momenta  $\sim 35 \text{ GeV}/c$  (exc. region around  $p \approx 1 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- Needs to be **complemented** by time of flight (TOF) measurement at the end of the tracker ( $\sim 2\text{m}$ ) (modified layout to provide time or silicon or ECAL) to compensate for the low velocity region and relativistic rise
- At high momenta Fermi plateau is reached, energy loss of a particle traversing the gas no longer increases with increasing particle energy
- Identification on the ‘logarithmic rise’ requires **approximately 100 measurements** over a detector length of close  $\sim 2\text{m}$  are required

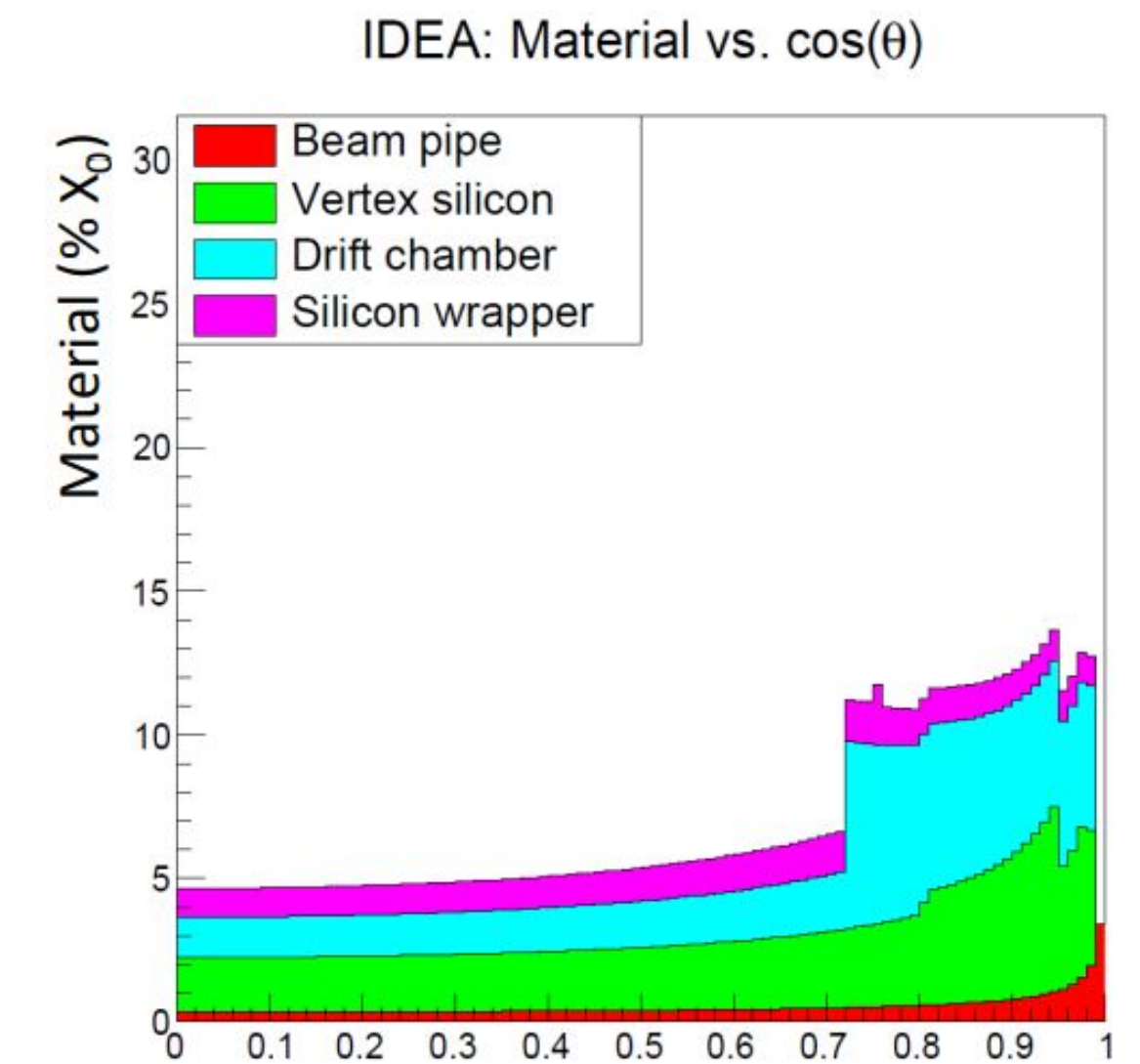
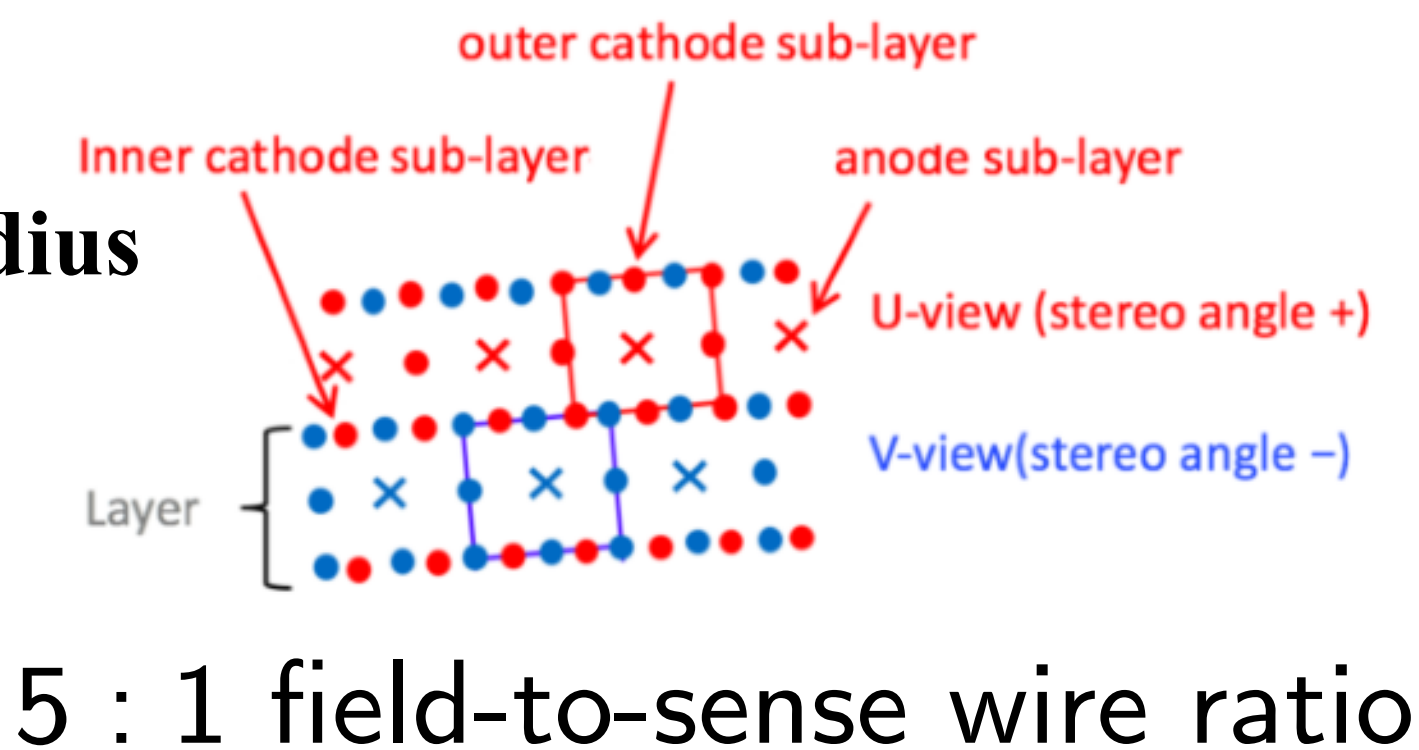
$\pi, K$  separation of IDEA DCH along with a TOF measurement at 2m



Bedeschi, F., Gouskos, L. & Selvaggi, Eur. Phys. J. C 82, 646 (2022).

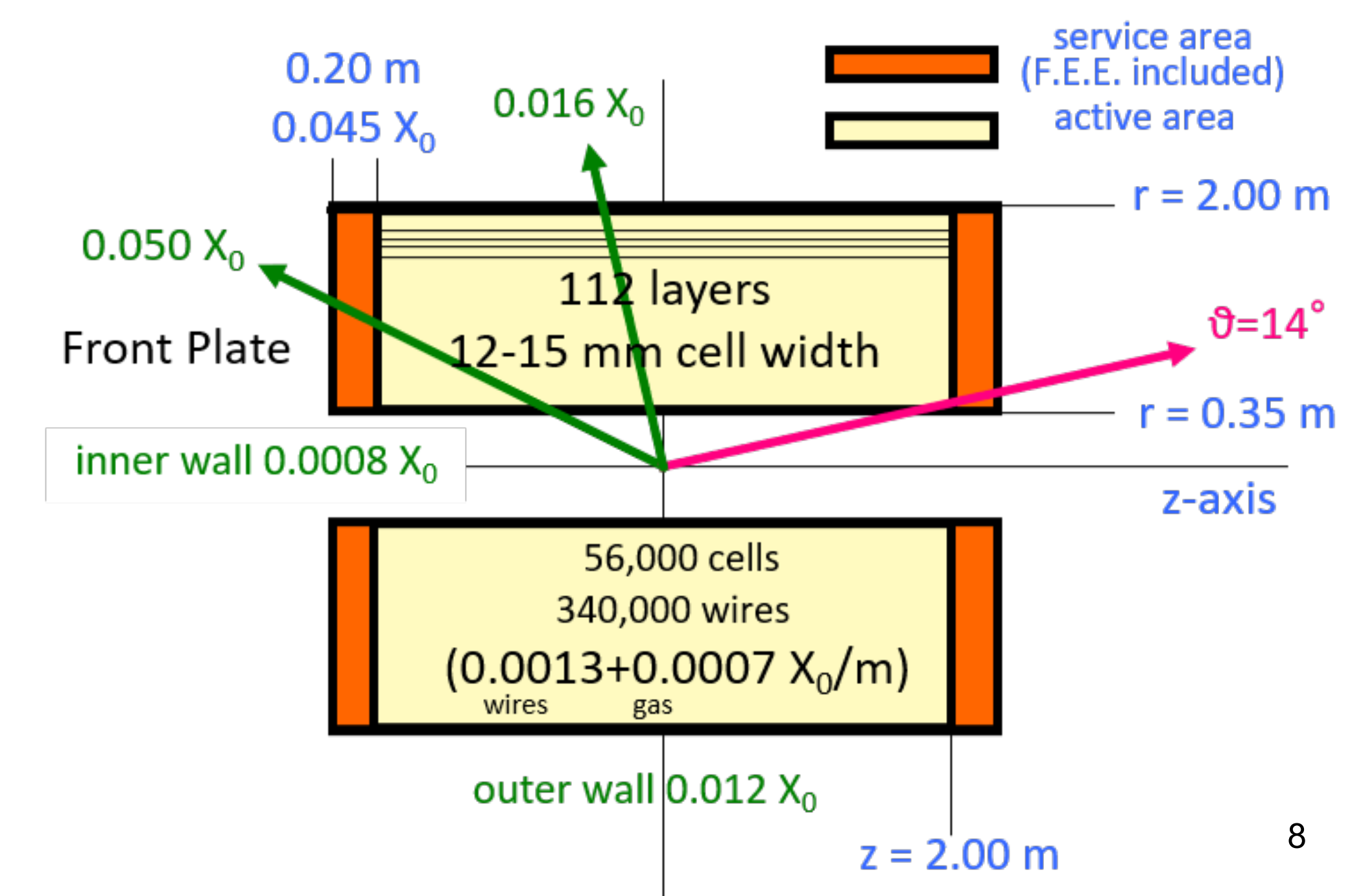
# IDEA Drift Chamber

- Dimensions: **4 m long** (active volume), **35cm to 2m radius**
- **Low material budget**
  - Barrel:  $\sim 1.6\% X_0$
  - Forward directions:  $\sim 5\% X_0$
- Stereo layout
  - **112 layers** ranging from 50 to 250 mrad
- Operating gas mixture: **He + 10% iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>**
  - Average drift velocity of  $\sim 2 \text{ cm}/\mu\text{s}$   $\rightarrow$  drift time  $t_D < 400 \text{ ns}$
  - Number of cluster (per m.i.p.)  $\sim 12.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  avg. with  $\sim 1.6$  electrons/cluster)
- Sense (anode):  $20\mu\text{m W(Au)} \rightarrow 56448$  total
- Field (cathode):  $40\mu\text{m Al(Ag)} \rightarrow 285504$  total
- Guard (cathode):  $50\mu\text{m Al(Ag)} \rightarrow 2016$  total
- Active volume: 56448 almost squared drift cells ( $12 \div 14.5 \text{ mm}$ ), with a 5 : 1 field-to-sense wire ratio for simpler time-to-distance relations
- Overall **expected resolution**:  $\sigma_{xy} \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$  and  $\sigma_z \sim 1 \text{ mm}$



tracking efficiency  $\varepsilon \approx 1$   
for  $\vartheta > 14^\circ$  (260 mrad)  
97% solid angle

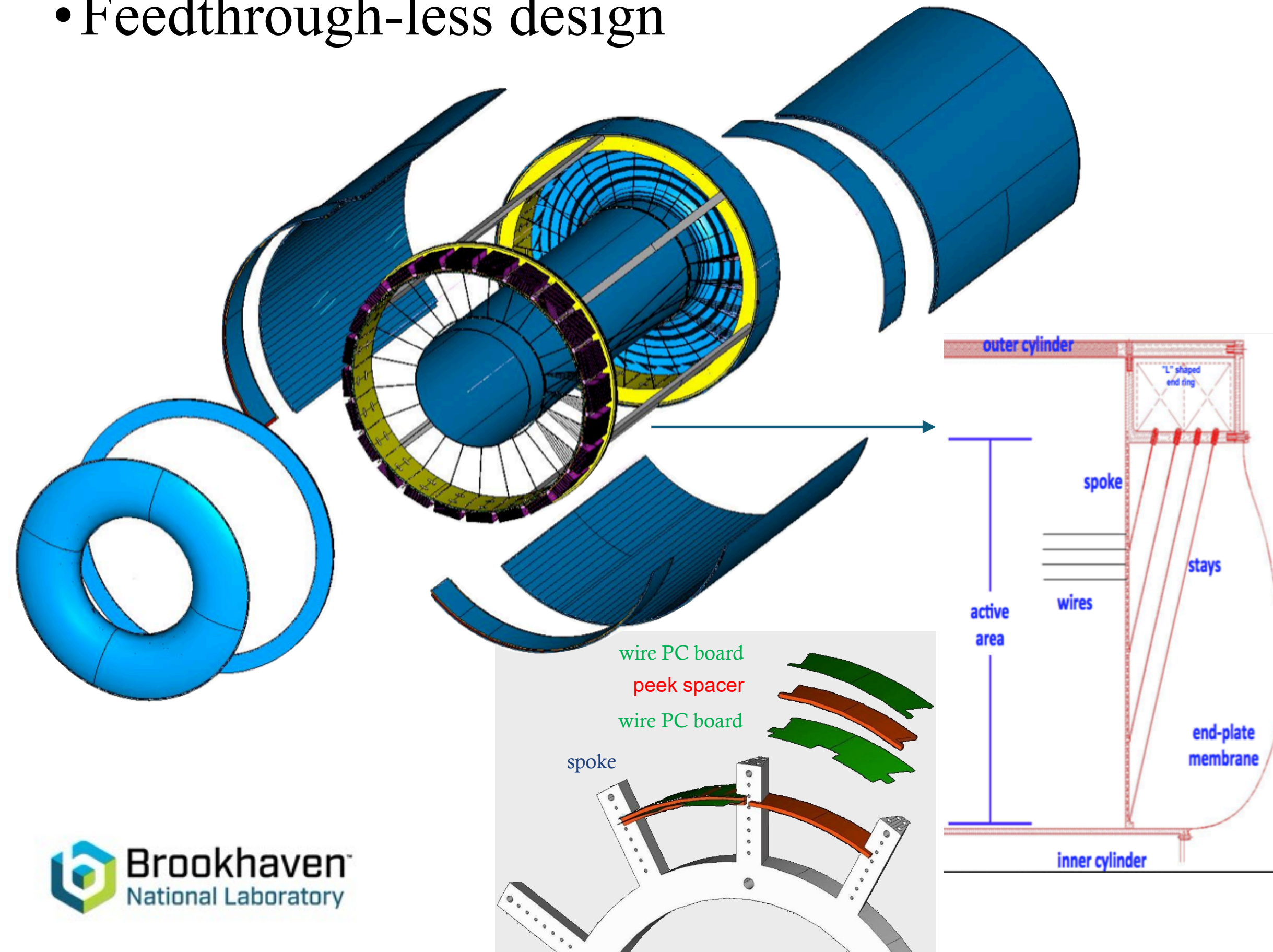
0.016  $X_0$  to barrel calorimeter  
0.050  $X_0$  to end-cap calorimeter





# Mechanical design

- IDEA DCH separating wire support, by counterbalancing the wire tension (external stays) from the gas containment → Ultra-light structure
- Deformations on the Gas vessel have no impact on the wire position
- **New wiring strategy:** inner and outer cylinder connected to 48 spokes, forming 24 identical sectors
- Feedthrough-less design



## Comparison to MEGII and IDEA DCH

- 12k → 340k wires
- 9 → 112 layers
- 2 → 4 m (Even 5m for ALLEGRO)

## Comparison to BELLEII and IDEA DCH

- 57k → 340k wires
- 65 → 112 layers
- 2.3 → 4 m (Even 5m for ALLEGRO)

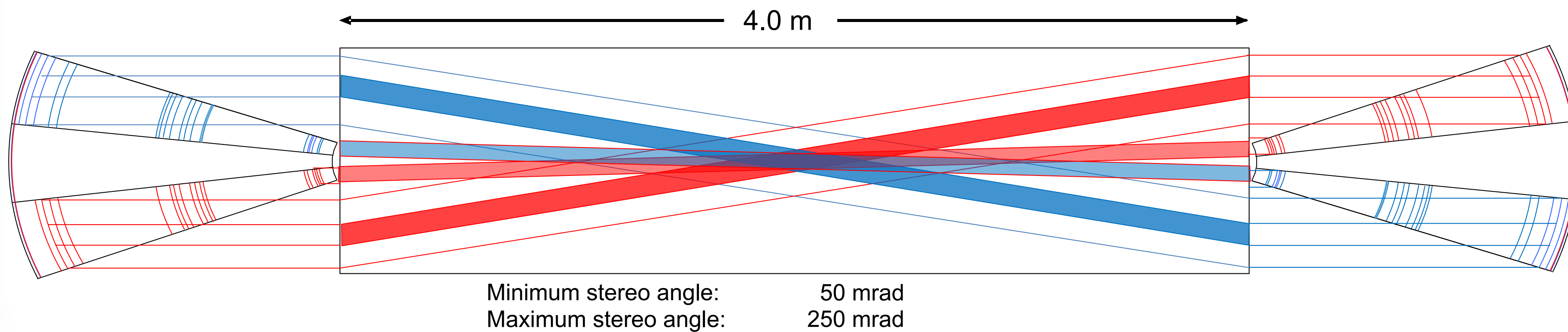


## Lessons learnt from MEGII & BELLE II

- Corrosion and breakage of 107 aluminum wires in presence of 40-65% humidity level → Problem fully cured by keeping CDCH in dry atmosphere
- Anomalously high currents experienced → CDCH operation recovered by using additives
- Beam induced background challenging at high luminosities

# Towards a full length prototype

- Conceptual design of full chamber completed as of today by a collaboration of EnginSoft and INFN-LE mechanical service
- Full design of full-scale prototype completed by summer 2024
  - Preparation of samples of prototype components (molds and machining) ready by fall 2024
  - All mechanical parts (wires, wire PCBs, spacers, end plates) ready by end of 2024
  - MEG2 CDCH2 Wiring robot transported from INFN-PI refurbished and re-adapted, to be operational by spring 2025
  - Prototype built by end of 2025 (+6 months contingency) and ready to be tested during 2026



**TOTAL LAYERS: 10**

Sense wires: 168

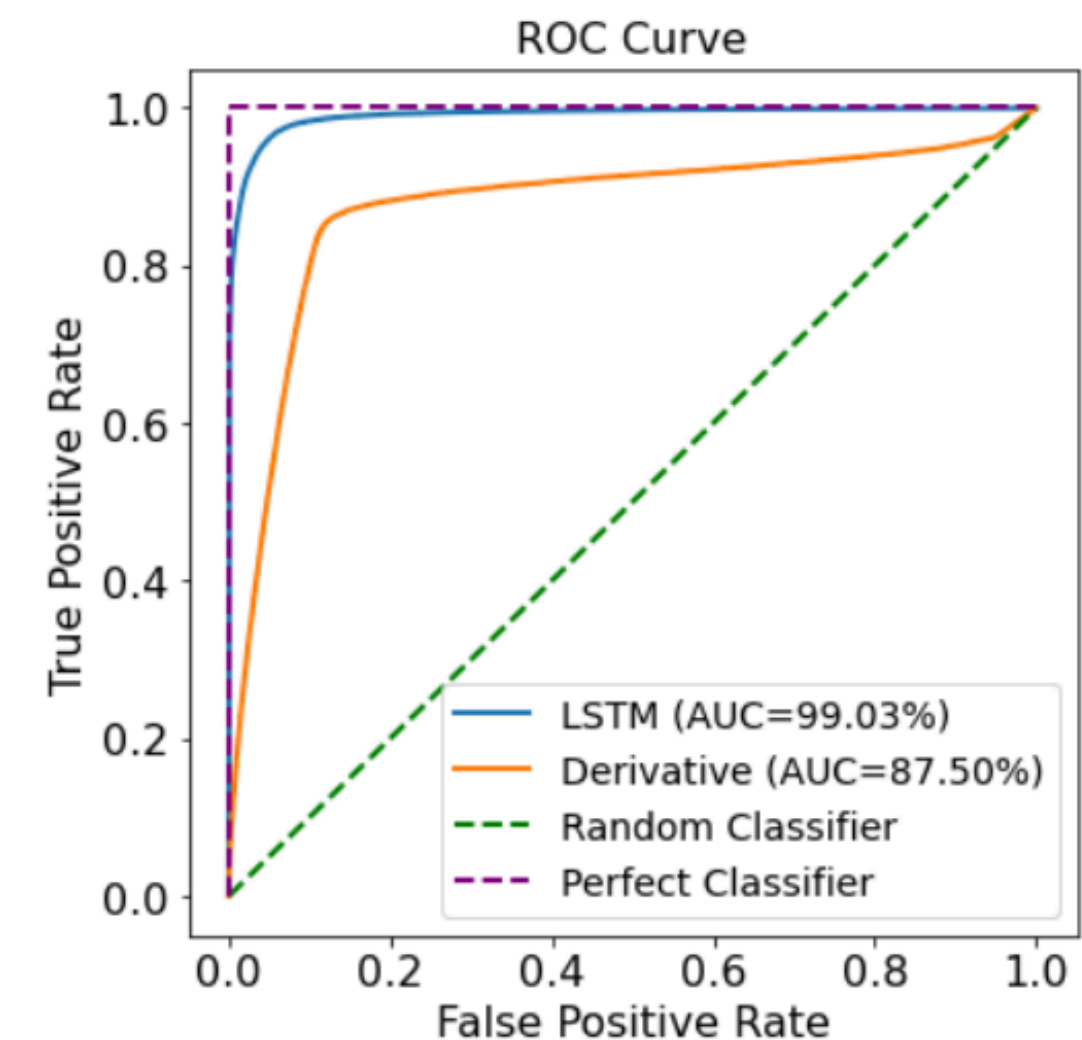
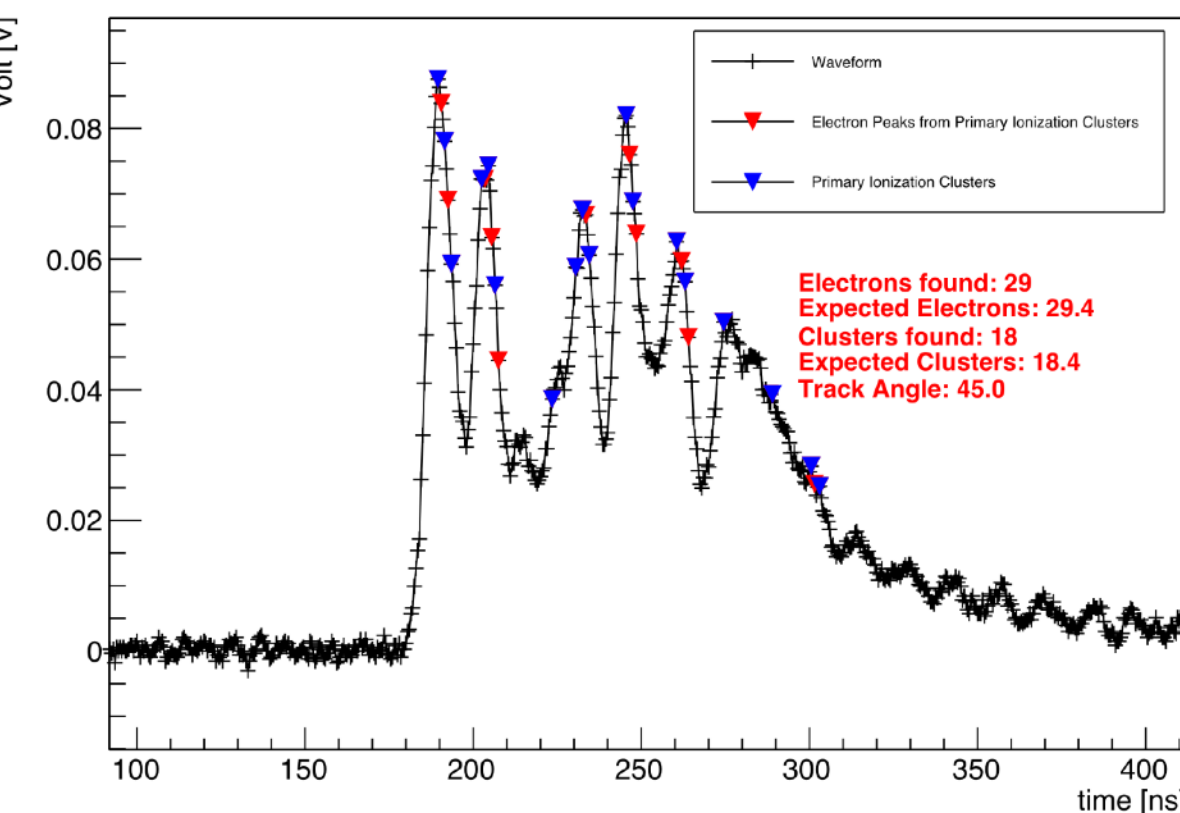
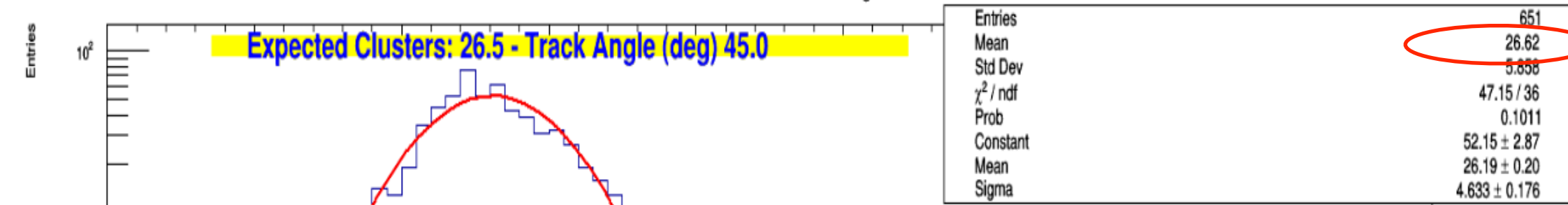
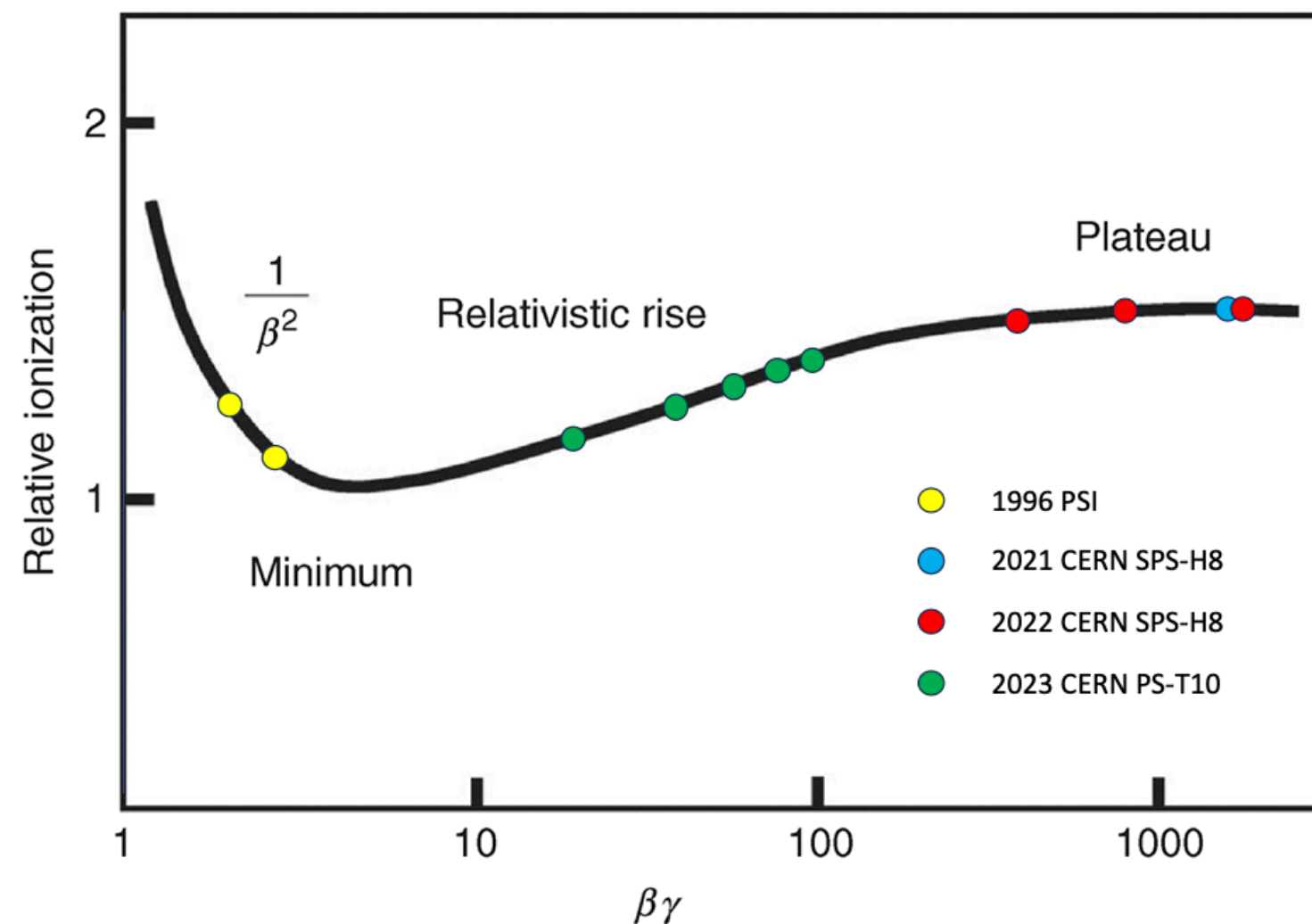
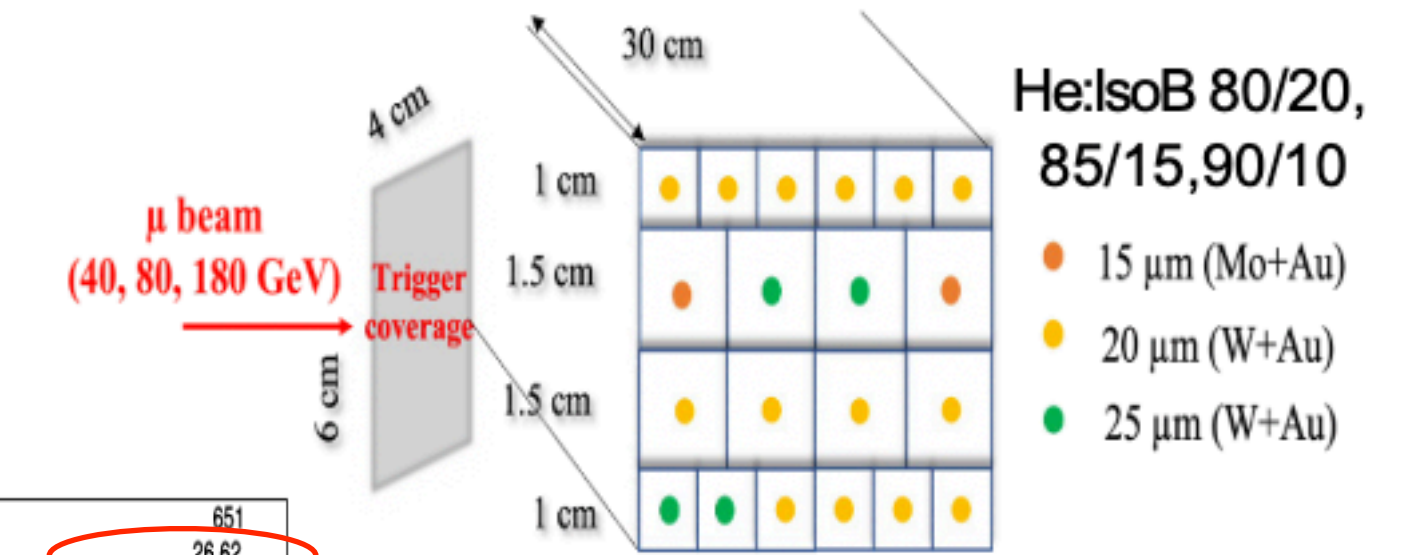
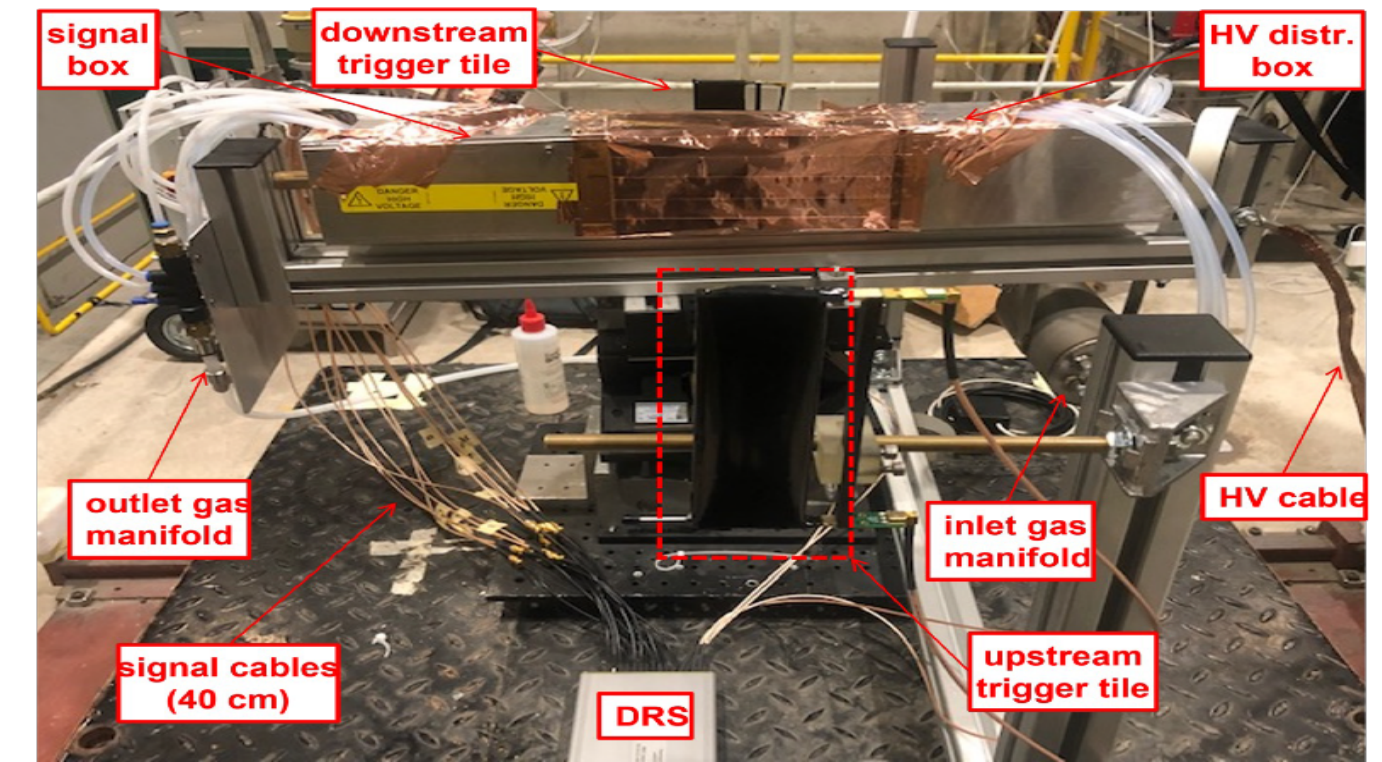
Field wires: 965

Guard wires: 264

Type	Wires	Wire Boards
Sense	168	8
Field	965	22
Guard	264	12
Total	1397	42

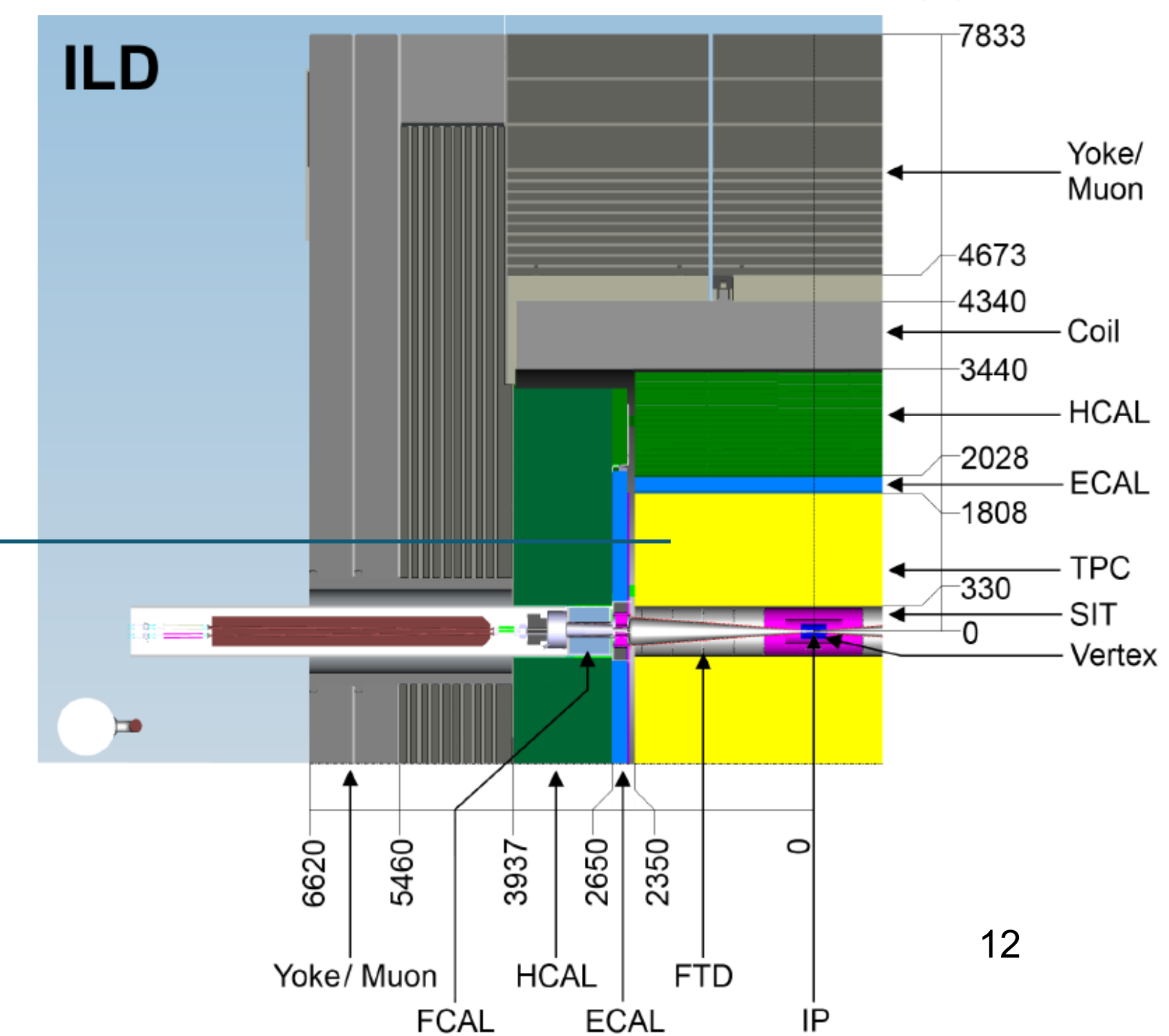
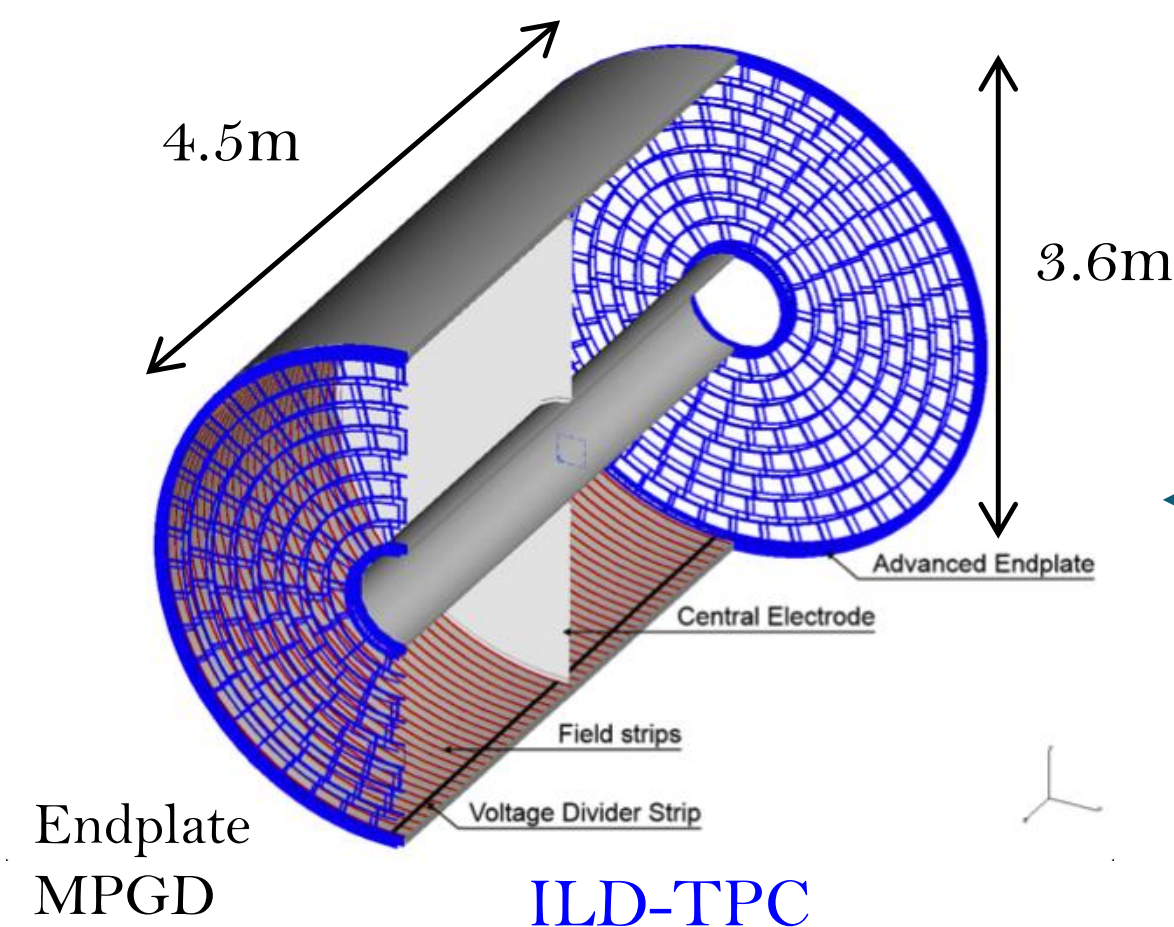
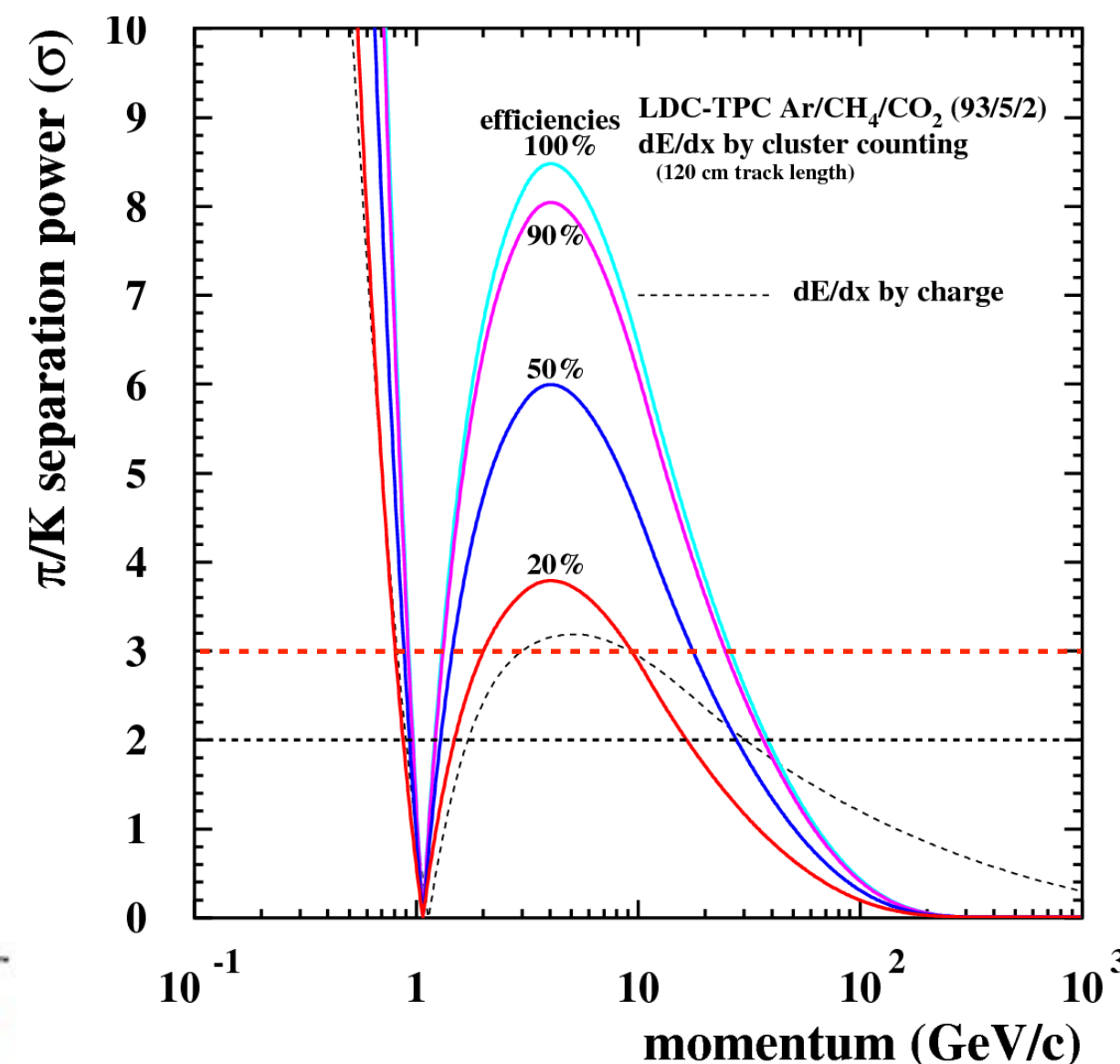
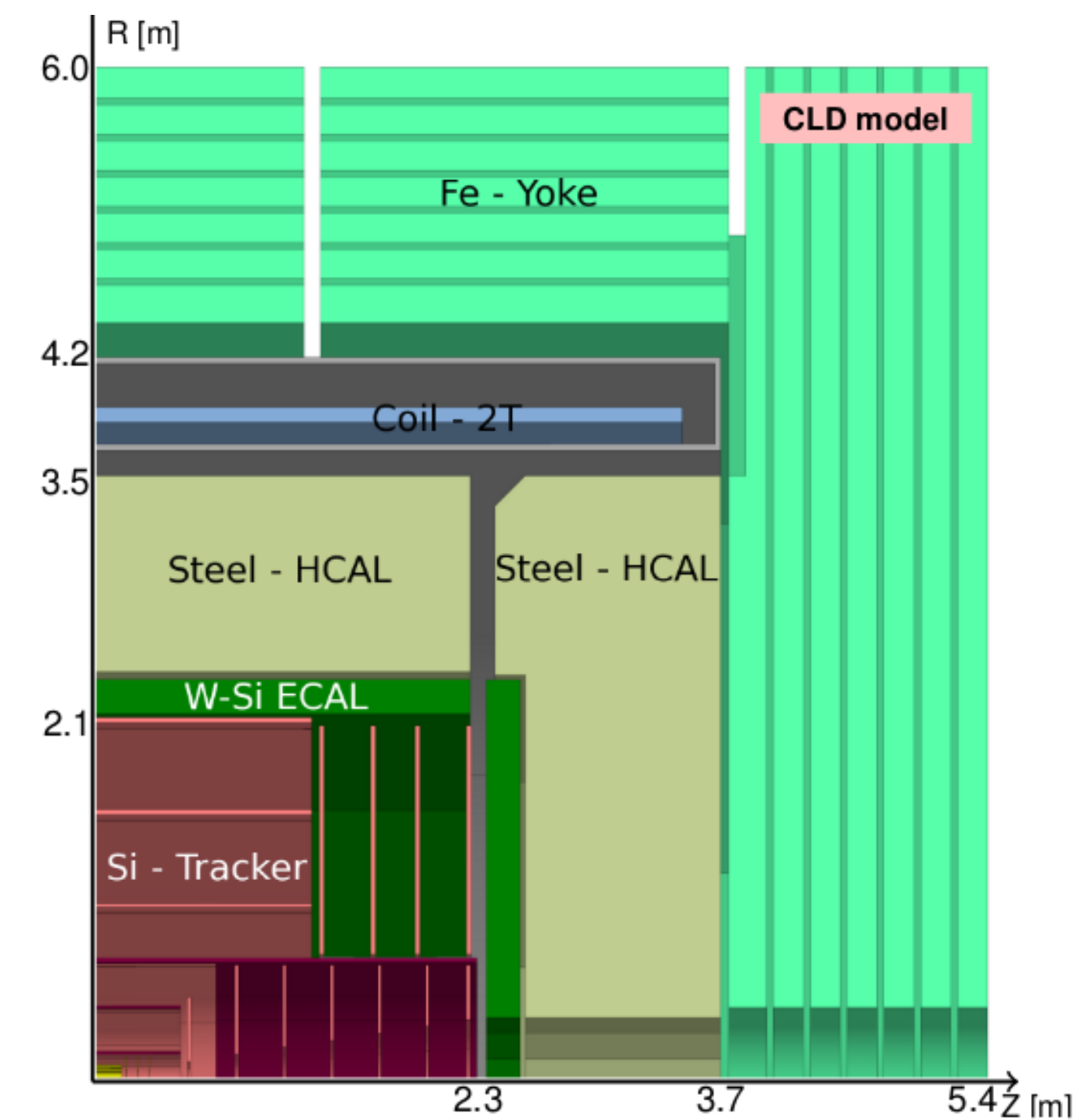
# Reconstruction techniques, test-beam results

- Several test beams to experimentally assess and optimize the performance of the cluster counting/timing techniques covering big range of  $\beta\gamma$  range
- Several algorithms under testing
  - Derivative Algorithm (DERIV)
  - Running Template Algorithm (RTA)
  - Long short-term memory (LSTM) (Recurrent Neural Network - RNN) for peak finding & Dynamic Graph Convolutional neural networks (DGCNN) to identify electrons in the same primary cluster



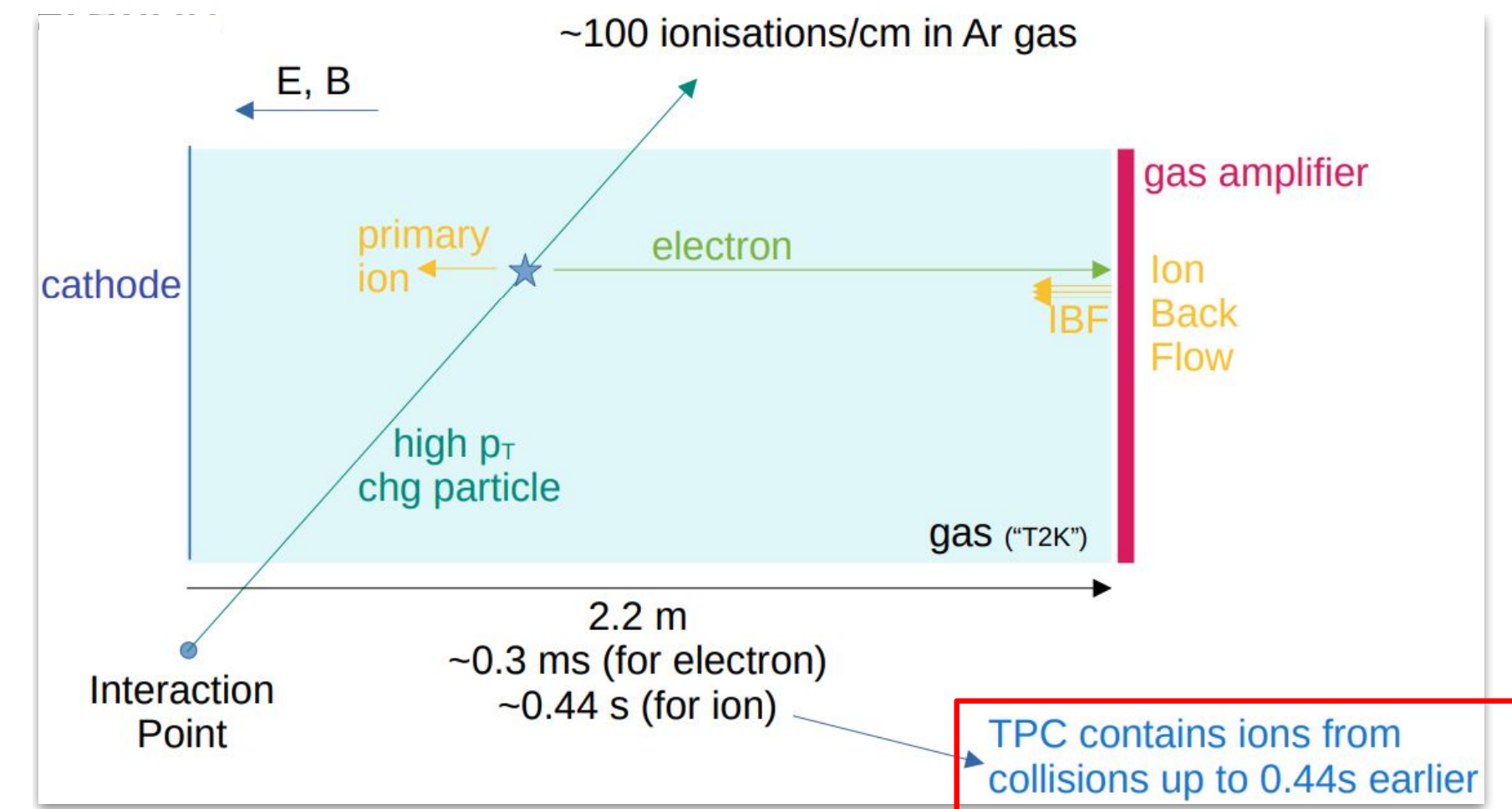
# TPC as a main tracker at CLD

- During the 7<sup>th</sup> FCC Physics Workshop in Annecy, the [ILD/CLD concept studies with a TPC](#) were presented
- Proposal of a TPC based the developments for ILD using MPGDs like Triple/Double GEMs, Resistive Micromegas or GridPix (a must have for  $dN_{cl}/dx$  to work)
- 5%  $X_0$  in barrel 25%  $X_0$  in endcap
- **Differences between ILC and FCC-ee operations:**
  - ILC consisting of 1312 bunches (0.73 ms total) in a bunch train spaced every  $\sim 0.5\mu s$  and a 199 ms with no activity
  - FCC-ee up to 170 times more luminosity at Z-pole with bunch spacing of 20-25ns
- ➔ Imposes big challenges for a TPC operation



# TPC Challenges

- Using a TPC in a triggerless system requires the management of the very large out-of-bunch pile-up and its operation in continuous mode
- At instant luminosity of  $\sim 10^{36} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , an ion back flow control of percent level (Z bosons will be produced at 60-100 kHz)
  - Distortion can be as large as  $\sim \text{cm}$  at the inner most TPC layer at the which is orders of magnitude larger than the intrinsic TPC spatial resolution of  $100 \mu\text{m}$ .
  - Ion back flow control technology (InGrid?)
  - Dedicated distortion correction algorithm
  - Adequate track finding algorithm using the vertex detector
  - diffusion plays key role, needs good cluster finding algorithm large systematics expected, e.g. depending on drift length



## PRELIMINARY RESULTS!

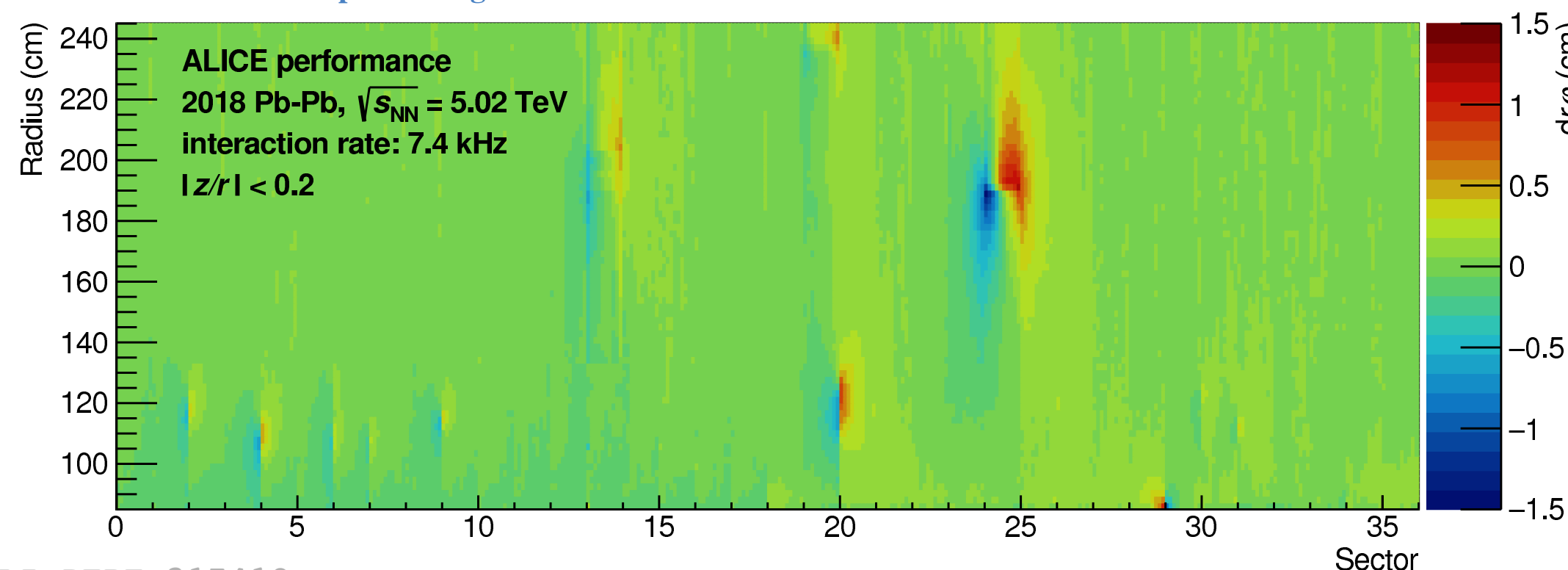
model	B-field [T]	MDI	thousand ions / bunch crossing mean $\pm$ RMS		
			FCCee-91	FCCee-240	ILC-250
ILD_15_v02	3.5 (uniform)	ILC	6.5 $\pm$ 19.9	14 $\pm$ 14	960 $\pm$ 150
ILD_15_v02_2T	2.0 (uniform)	ILC	6.9 $\pm$ 11.1	15 $\pm$ 11	4700 $\pm$ 300
ILD_15_v03	3.5 (map)	ILC	5.7 $\pm$ 7.9	14 $\pm$ 11	1100 $\pm$ 200
ILD_15_v05	3.5 (map, anti-DID)	ILC	0.6 $\pm$ 1.5	3.7 $\pm$ 9.7	450 $\pm$ 110
ILD_15_v11 $\beta$	2.0 (uniform)	FCCee	390 $\pm$ 120	1000 $\pm$ 170	110000 $\pm$ 2400
ILD_15_v11 $\gamma$	2.0 (map)	FCCee	270 $\pm$ 100	800 $\pm$ 140	100000 $\pm$ 1900

ILC and FCCee similar: O(100k) - O(1M) primary ions / BX

Collider	FCCee-91	FCCee-240	ILC-250
Detector model	ILD_15_v11 $\gamma$	ILD_15_v11 $\gamma$	ILD_15_v05
average BX frequency	30 MHz	800 kHz	6.6 kHz
primary ions / BX	270 k	800 k	450 k
primary ions in TPC at any time	$1.8 \times 10^{12}$	$1.4 \times 10^{11}$	$6.5 \times 10^8$
average primary ion charge density nC/m <sup>3</sup>	6.8	0.54	0.0025

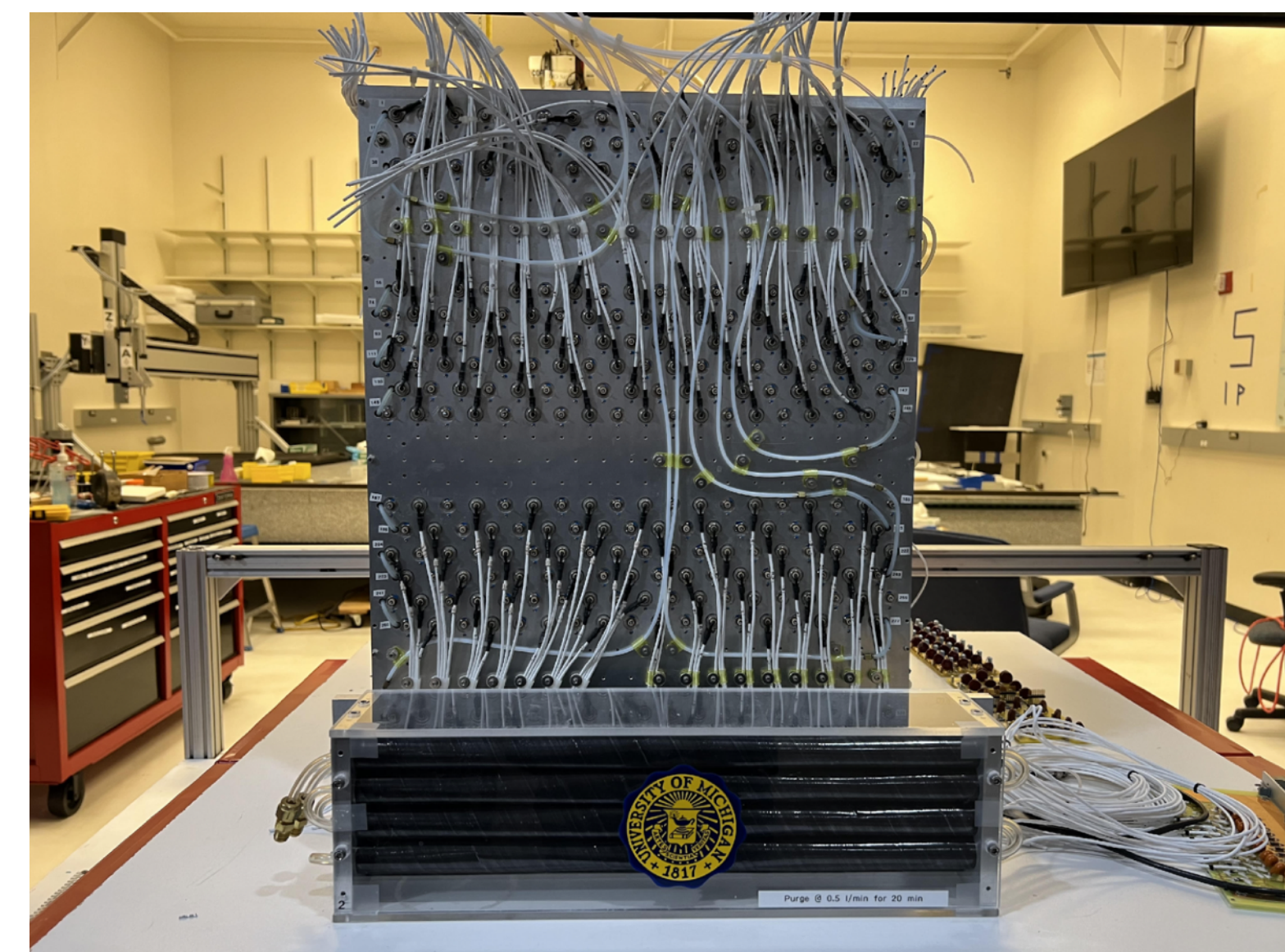
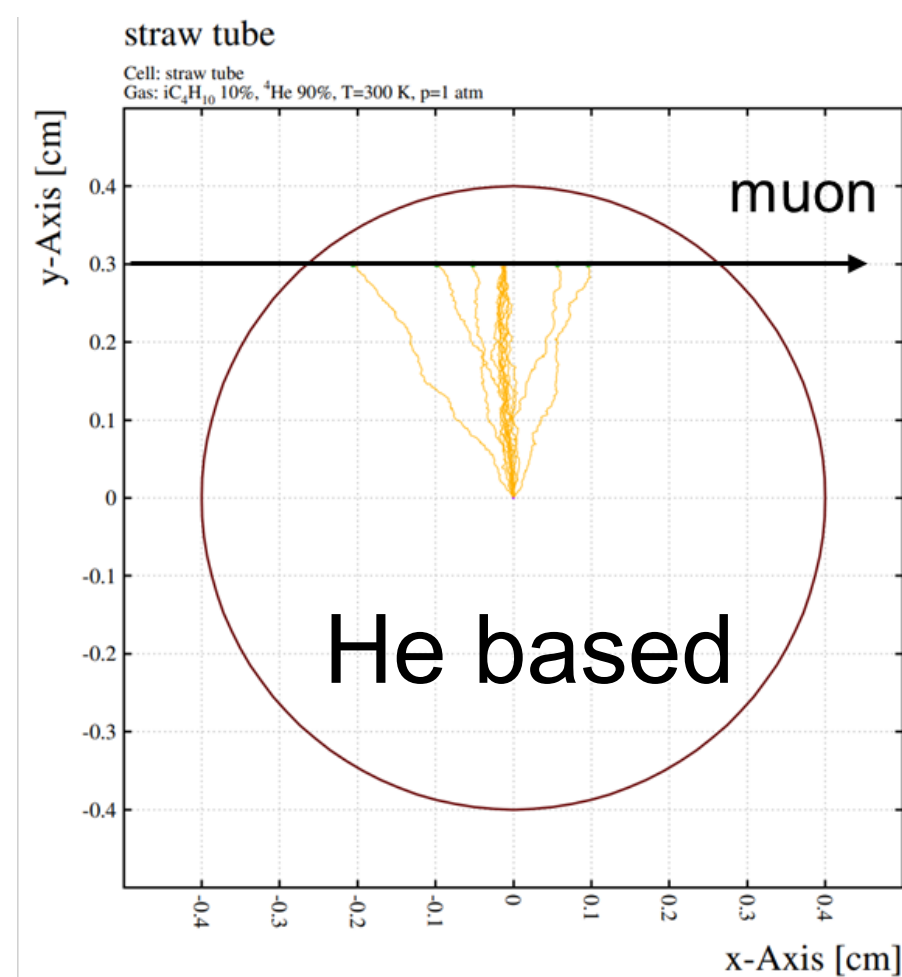
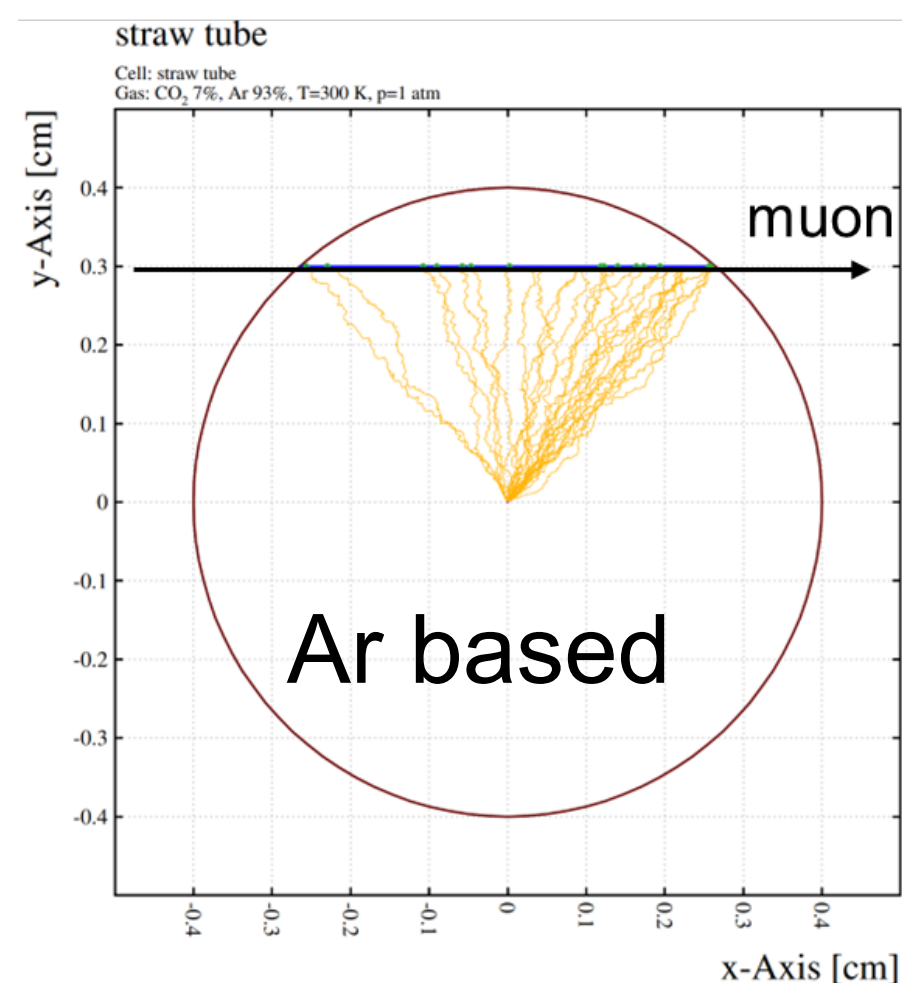
primary ion density in TPC (wrt ILC): x2500 @FCCee-91  
x200 @FCCee-240

Space-charge distortions in ALICE TPC at 7.4kHz interaction rate

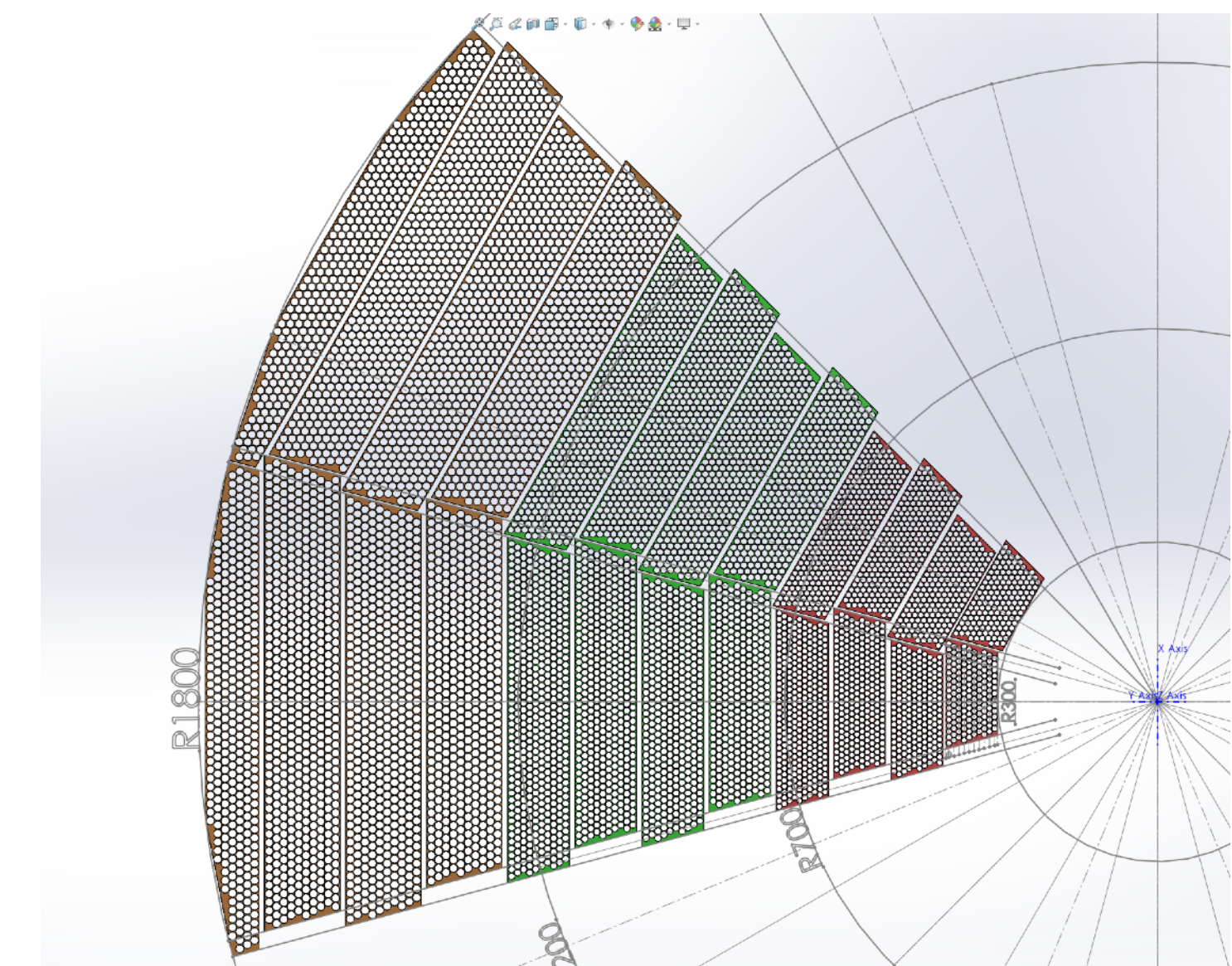


# Straw tubes

- Recent proposal to explore the **possibility of a straw tube tracker**
- Variable diameter (inner to outer) → optimise occupancy
- Similar characteristics to drift tubes but lower material budget
  - Assuming **Aluminized Mylar** (15 $\mu\text{m}$  mylar, 0.05 $\mu\text{m}$  aluminum) and 25 $\mu\text{m}$  tungsten wires →  $\sim 1.2\% X_0$ 
    - **Not including** mechanical supports on the estimation
    - **Challenging** for long straws of 4m (construction and transmission wise)
      - Termination to improve signal ? Noise ?
  - Operating gas? Ar based → 0.15%  $X_0$  not ideal for cluster counting compared to He based → 0.035%  $X_0$ , signal small though due to density, optimization is needed!
- Group is looking to build a small prototype with 20-50 straws and perform various studies



A straw tracker at the UM ATLAS muon detector construction lab



# Remarks

- Gaseous detectors have a long history as trackers not a surprise that have been proposed for the FCC-ee experiments
- Low material budget is one of the most important factors
  - Light structures, light gas
- $dE/dx$  demonstrated over the years, key is volume/pressure
  - $dN_{c1}/dx$  provides improvement  $\sim x2$ , been around as a method, realization challenging, advanced algorithms and electronics
- Three technologies proposed so far in FCC-ee detectors:
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- Important for any technology to learn from existing applications !



# Backup

# Electronics & readout with drift chamber

## PROBLEM

For the IDEA drift chamber, however, given:

- > 56,000 active cells, readout at both ends;
- 1.5 cm drift length, max drift time:  $\sim 500$  ns;
- $Z \rightarrow$  hadrons trigger rate:  $\sim 100$  KHz;
- charged tracks multiplicity: 20 tracks/hadronic event;
- average of 130 hit cells/track;
- Digitization: 12 bits at 2 Gsa/s:

$$20 \text{ track/event} \times 130 \text{ cell/track/side} \times 2 \text{ side} \times 10^5 \text{ event/s} \times 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ s/cell} \times 2 \times 10^9 \text{ byte/s} =$$

$$= 0.5 \text{ TB/s}$$

plus  $\gamma\gamma$ , Bhabha, beam background, noise, ...

$\Rightarrow$  Transfer rate at Z-pole  $\gtrsim 1 \text{ TB/s!}$

**some data reduction is mandatory!**

## SOLUTION

A possible solution consists in transferring, for each hit drift cell, only the minimal information relevant to the application of the cluster timing/counting techniques, i.e.: **amplitude** and **arrival time** of each peak associated with each individual ionization electron, instead of the full digitized **signal waveform**:

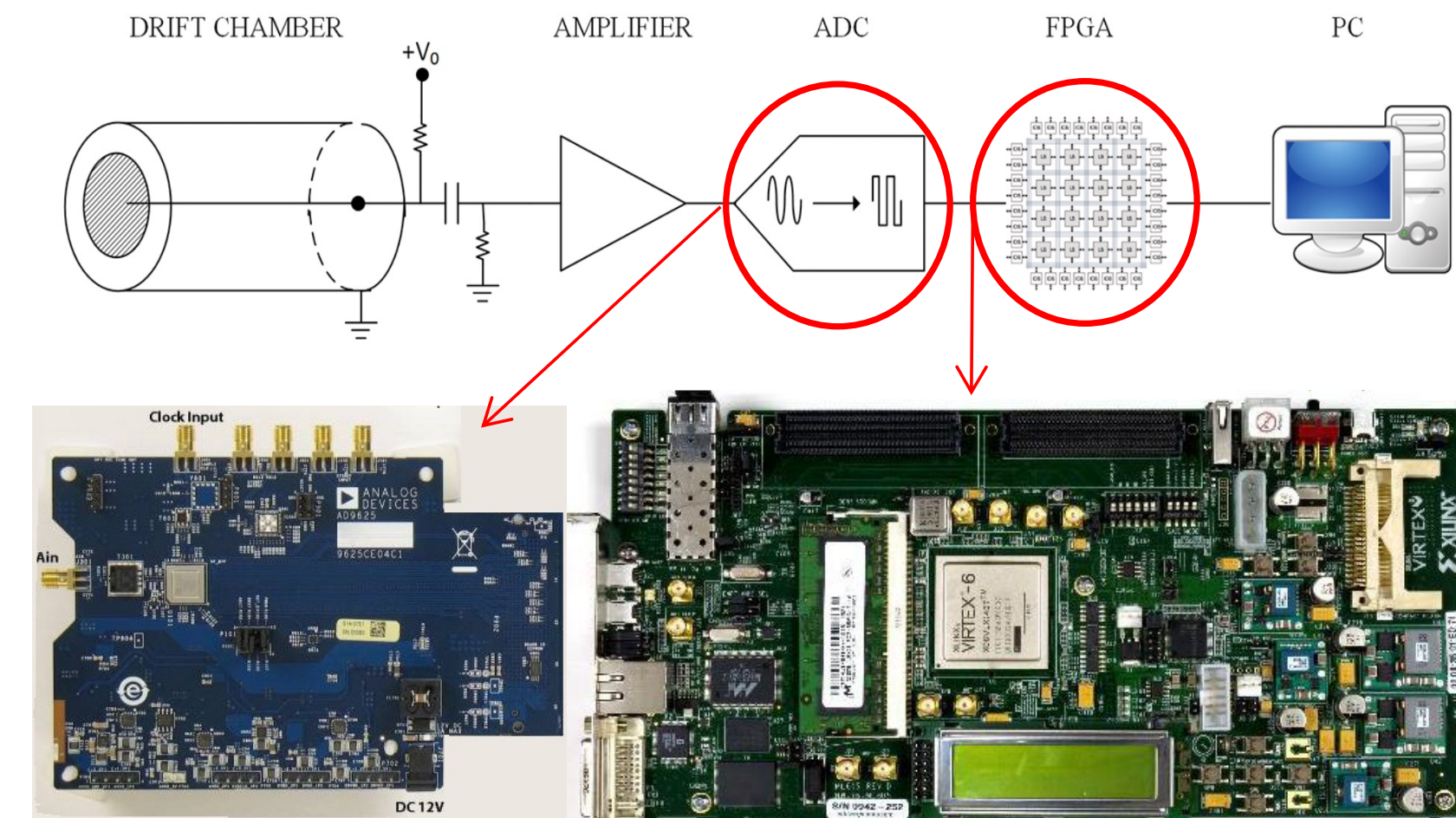
$$20 \text{ track/event} \times 130 \text{ cell/track/side} \times 2 \text{ side} \times 10^5 \text{ event/s} \times 30 \text{ peaks/cell} \times 2 \text{ byte/peak} =$$

$$= 30 \text{ GB/s}$$

This can be accomplished with the use of simple algorithms on a **FPGA** for the real time pre-processing of the digitized data generated by the drift chamber.

Moreover, background and noise can easily be filtered out by the same algorithm.

## Single channel implemented solution



A fast readout algorithm (**CluTim**) for identifying, in the digitized drift chamber signals, the individual ionization peaks and recording their time and amplitude was developed as a **VHDL/Verilog** code implemented on a **Virtex 6 FPGA**, allowing for a maximum input/output clock switching frequency of **710 MHz**. The hardware setup included also a 12-bit monolithic **pipeline sampling ADC** at conversion rates of up to **2.0 GSPS**.

[F. Grancagnolo, A 4-channel electronics board for Cluster Counting](#)