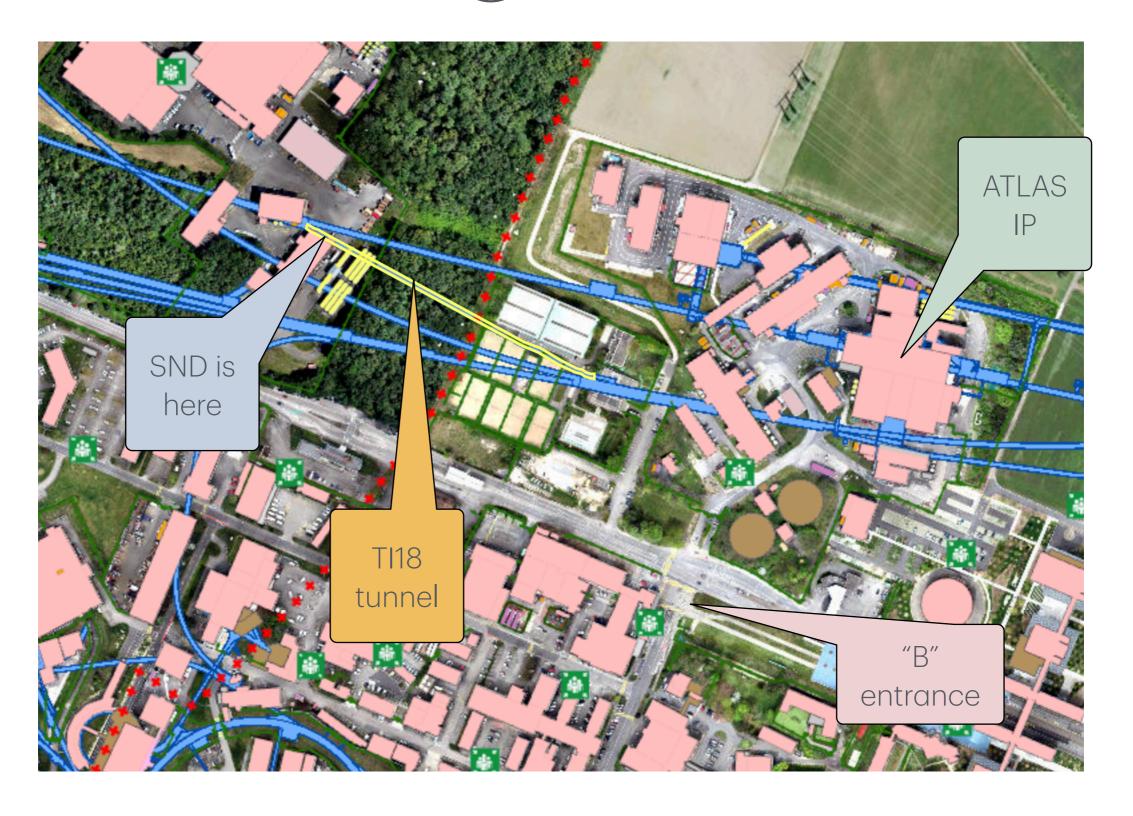
# Intro

MiniDT @ SND@LHC meeting Nov 26th 2024

### Where is SND@LHC



## SND in TI18 pictures





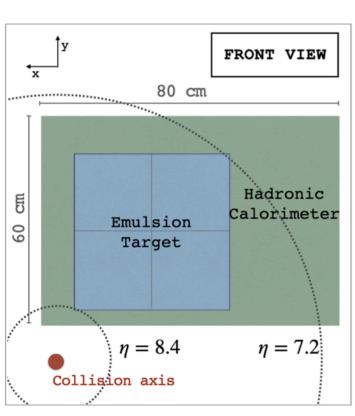


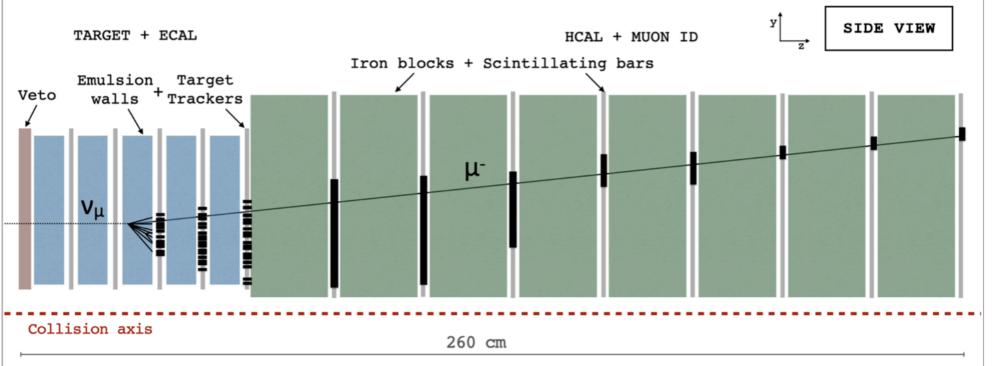






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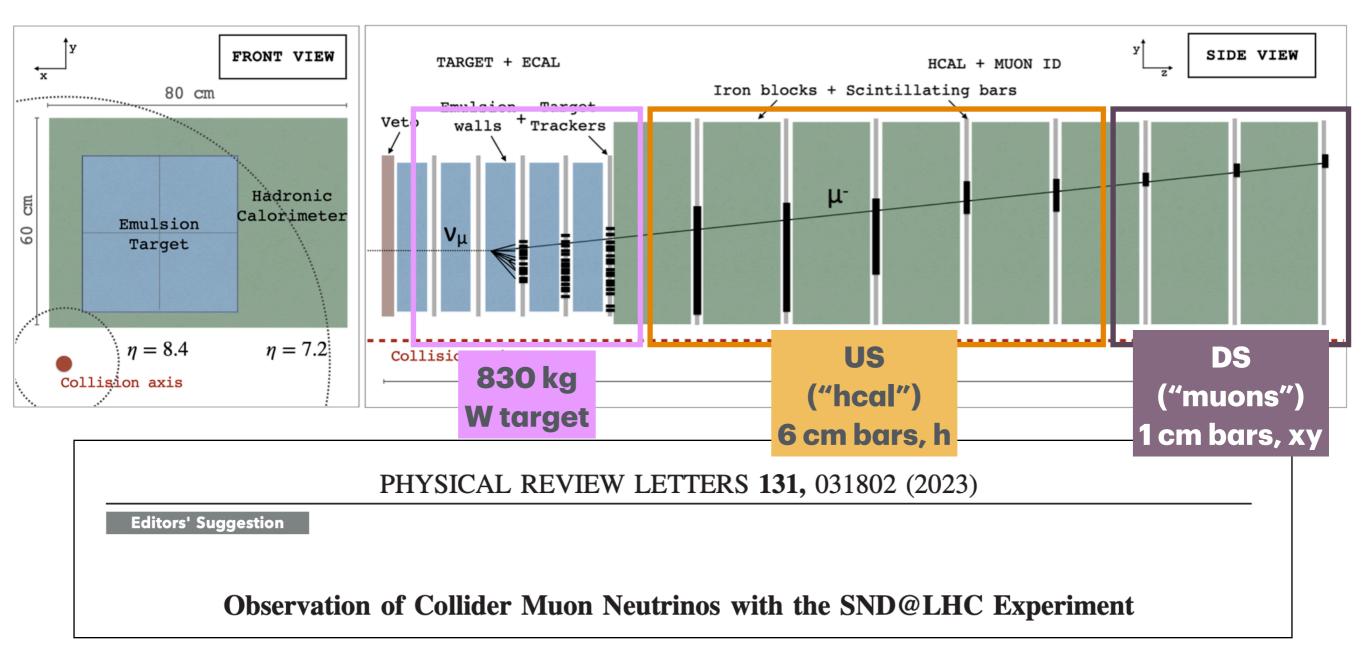


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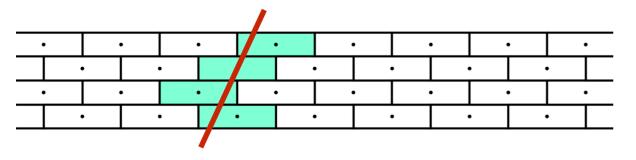
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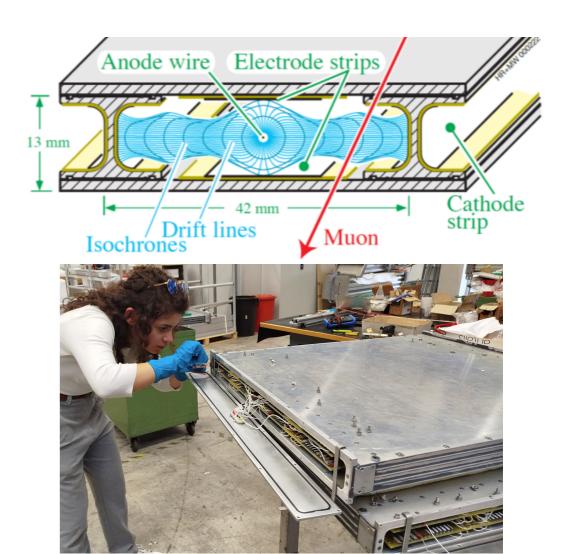
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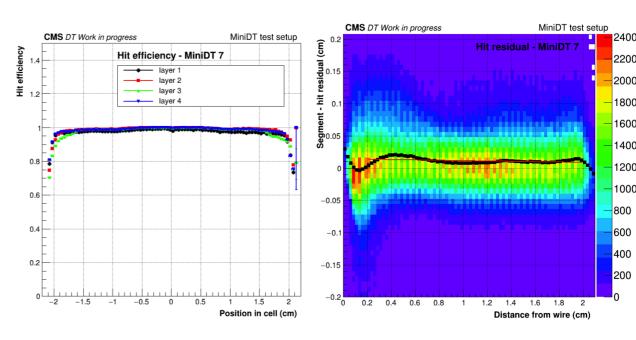


#### MiniDT chambers

- MiniDT = small (4x16=64 channels) super layer of CMS Drift Tubes
- Envelope approx. 75x90x8 cm<sup>3</sup>
- 8 built in LNL by Padova, Torino, Bologna
- Used in test beams and cosmic stands
- 7 available, two chambers are now at CERN
- Services & performance:
  - Ar/CO<sub>2</sub> (85/15), flux needed few L/h
  - HV(3600,1800,-1200), LV(12V), I2C control
  - max drift time ~400 ns, good space-time linearity
  - >95% hit efficiency, ~250 um resolution
  - Segments: position ~150 um, angle ~10 mrad

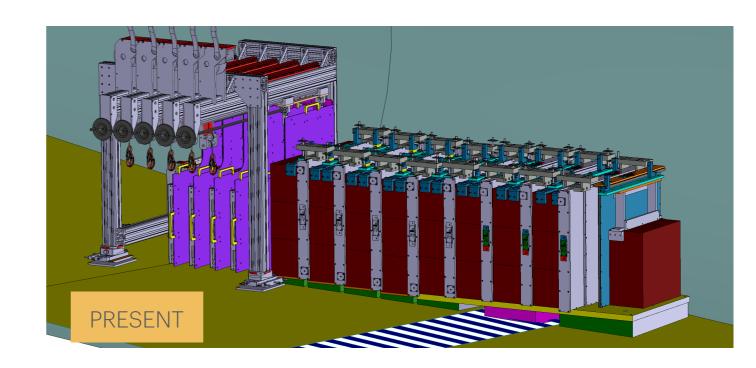


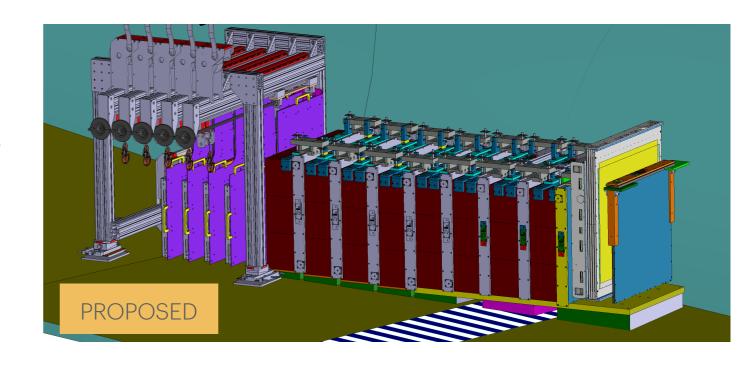




## Proposal: MiniDTs in SND@LHC

- Space available behind DS3/4
  for the installation of two (x,y)
  chambers with minimal
  changes to existing structures
  - Achieves ~85% coverage of target projection along z axis (wall, floor constraints)
- Improved tracking translates into a tighter matching of back-extrapolated muon tracks with SciFi hits (residuals from > 3 cm r.m.s. to ~ 1.3 cm r.m.s)





#### Muon flux & data rate

Muon flux at the DS system:  $2.35 \pm 0.01(stat) \pm 0.10(sys) \times 10^4 \text{ fb/cm}^2$  [from <a href="https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-023-12380-3">https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-023-12380-3</a>]

Muon Flux =  $2.35 \pm 0.01(stat) \pm 0.10(sys) \times 10^4 \text{ fb/cm}^2$ 

Area  $\simeq 60 \times 70 \text{ cm}^2 = 4200 \text{ cm}^2$ 

Inst. Lumi  $\approx 2 \times 10^{34}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

Rate =  $(Muon Flux)(Inst. Lumi)(Area) \simeq 1.7 \text{ kHz}$ 

Two MiniDTs = 8 layers. Put a factor of 10 for safety, noise. Total hit rate

Hit Rate = (Rate)(Layers)(Safety) < 140 kHz

One hit = 64 bits. So the data rate

Data Rate = (Hit Rate)(bits/Hit) < 9 Mbit/s

#### Schedule?

- Chambers + services @ CERN since Nov 18th
  - Retesting with cosmics and CMS readout @ P5 in next weeks
- Standalone test of readout system: before the end of 2024?
- Integration test with SND DAQ slice accomplished: early Jan 2025?
- End of mechanics and gas system design: end 2024?
- End of mechanics production: end Jan 2025?
- End of gas system preparation: mid Feb 2025?
- Other services preparation ended: mid Feb 2025?
- Ready for installation: end of February 2025

#### Summary

- Good opportunity to improve SND@LHC physics
- Good opportunity to exercise in a different environment, with 24/7 running & monitoring, a piece of CMS DT Phase2 upgrade
- Good opportunity for students to see detector, electronics, integration issues etc before the end of Run3
- I hope we're having fun!
- NB: next week SND collaboration week, including a tutorial on SND offline simulation & analysis software. Consider joining if you're interested!

## Today

