



Detector development projects in Budapest



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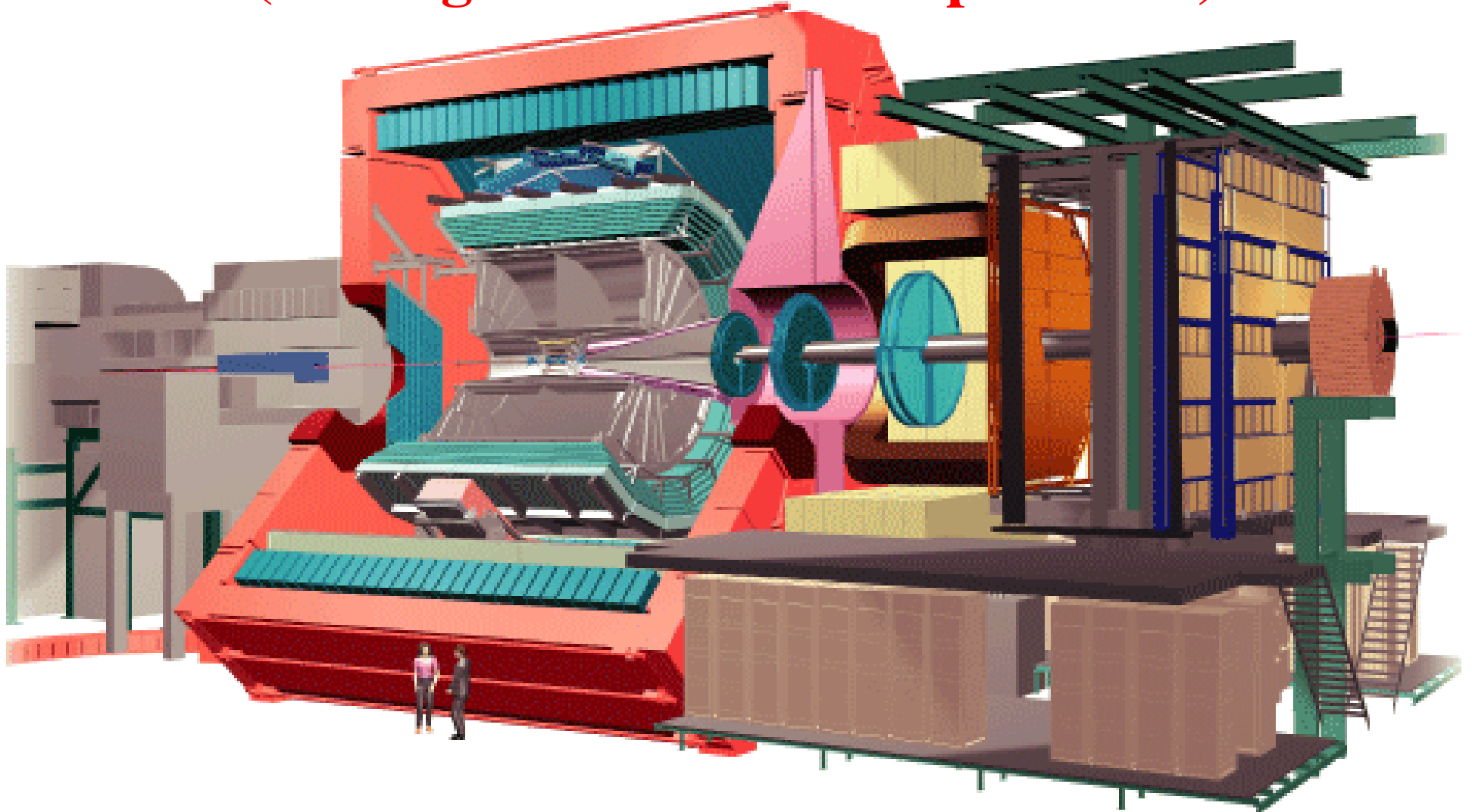
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Outline

- **High P_T Trigger Detector** for **ALICE** **VHMPID**
 - **ALICE** and its PID
 - **VHMPID**
 - Need for a **trigger** for **VHMPID**
 - **Trigger detector** requirements, possibilities
 - Technological choices, studies so far
- **NA61 Centrality Detector**
 - **NA61**
 - Ideas for detecting grey protons
 - Technological choices, studies so far

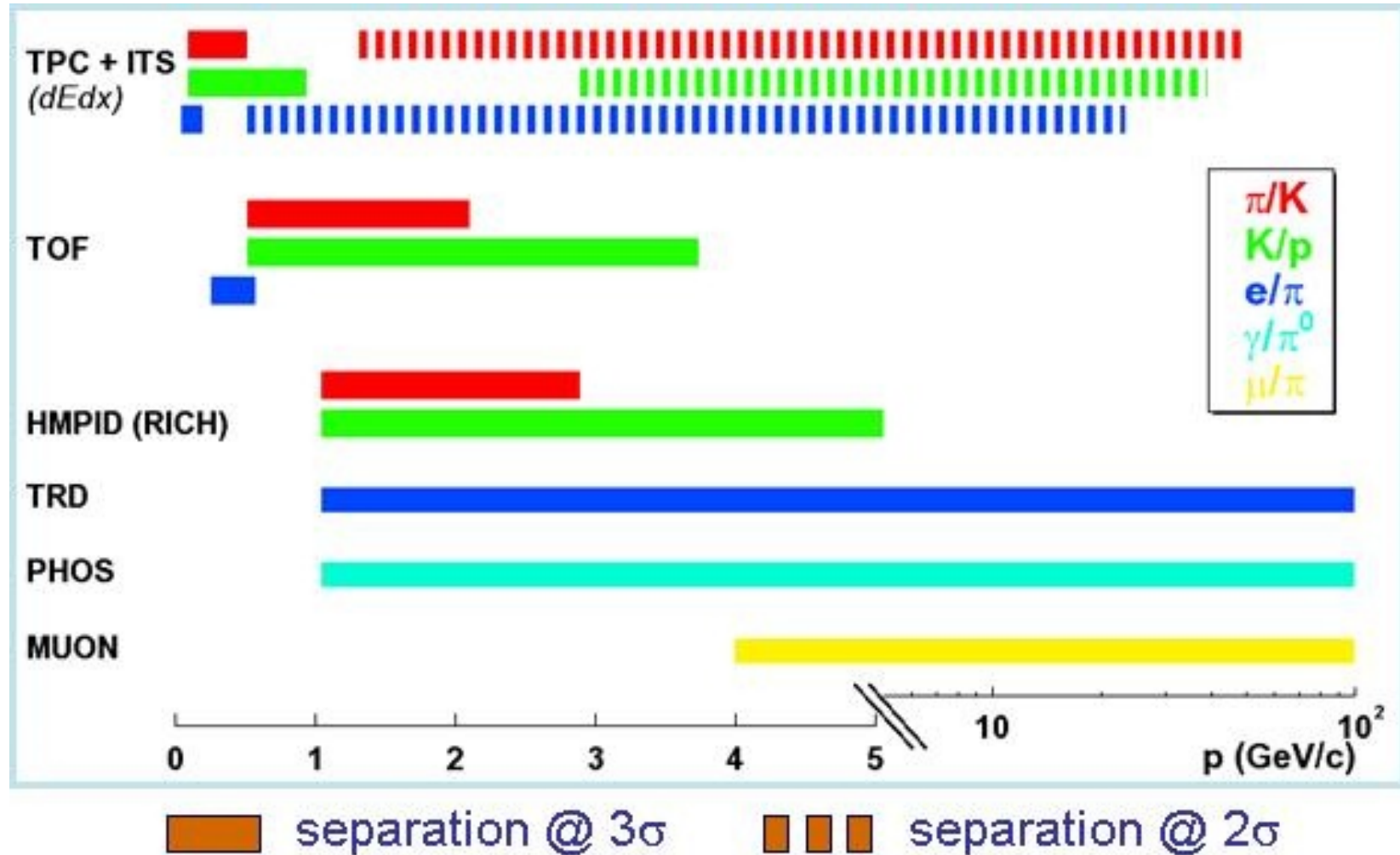
ALICE

(A Large Ion Collider Experiment)



**ITS, TPC, TRD, TOF, Muon Arm, ZDC, V0, T0,
HMPID, EMCal, PHOS, VHMPID?**

PID at ALICE

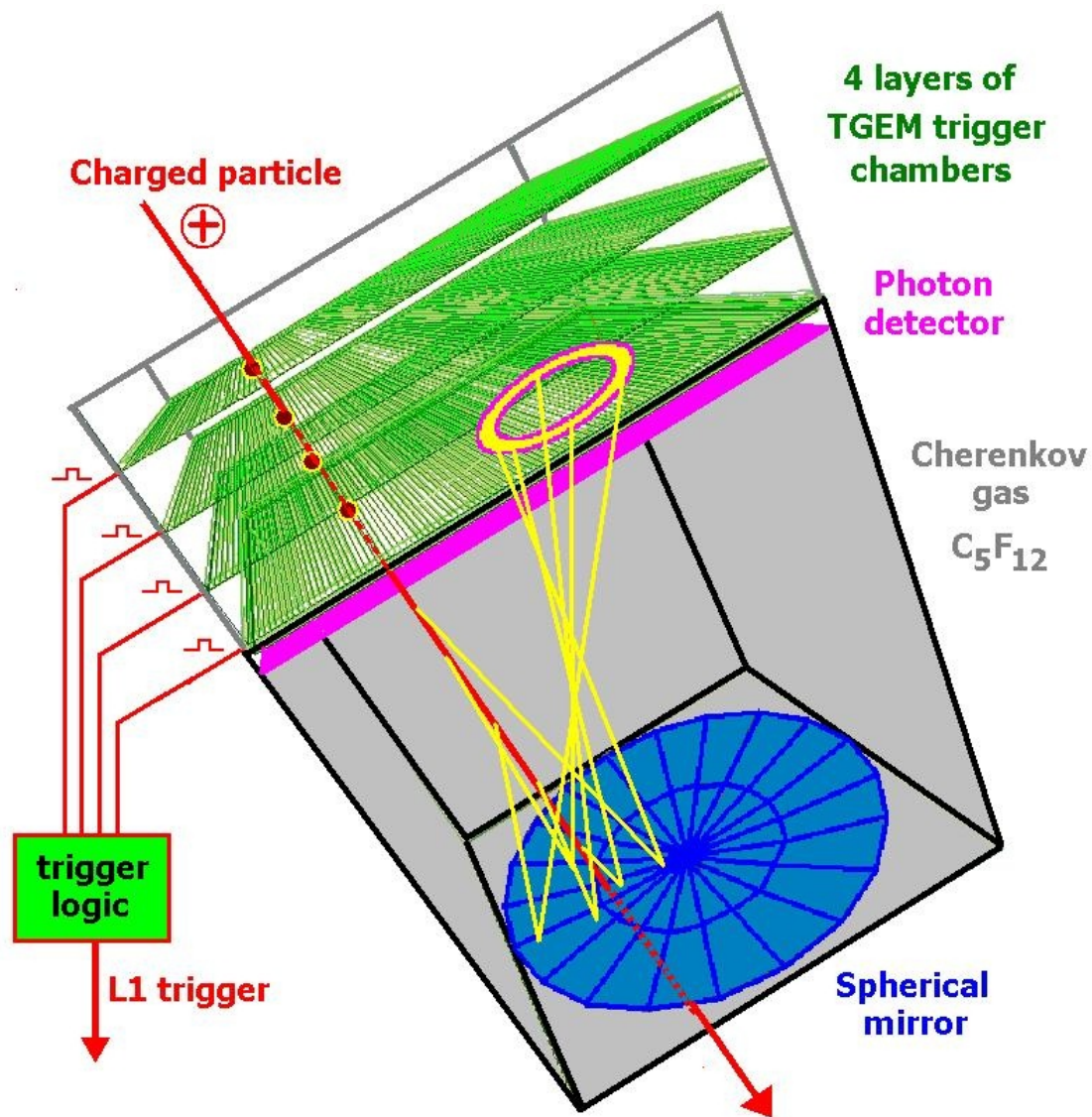


VHMPID: π, K, p separation at $5 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 15 \text{ GeV}$

Physics motivations

- **π , K, p yields at $5 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}$**
 - Proton/pion anomaly (\sim RHIC)
 - Particle production mechanisms (thermal, coalescence, pQCD)
 - Fragmentation function at the QGP
 - Jet energy loss, flavour dependence
 - High p_T D- and B-meson and Λ_c , Λ_b -baryon reconstruction
- **Near-side hadron-hadron correlations**
 - B-M (π -p) and B-aB (p-p) correlation (\sim RHIC)
 - Di- and Multihadron FF ($D_{BM} \stackrel{?}{=} D_B * D_M$; $D_B * D_{aB} \dots$)
- **Cooperation with other special detectors at ALICE**
 - Near-side photon-hadron correlations : PHOS
 - Away-side jet-photon correlations : EMCAL

VHMPID in ALICE

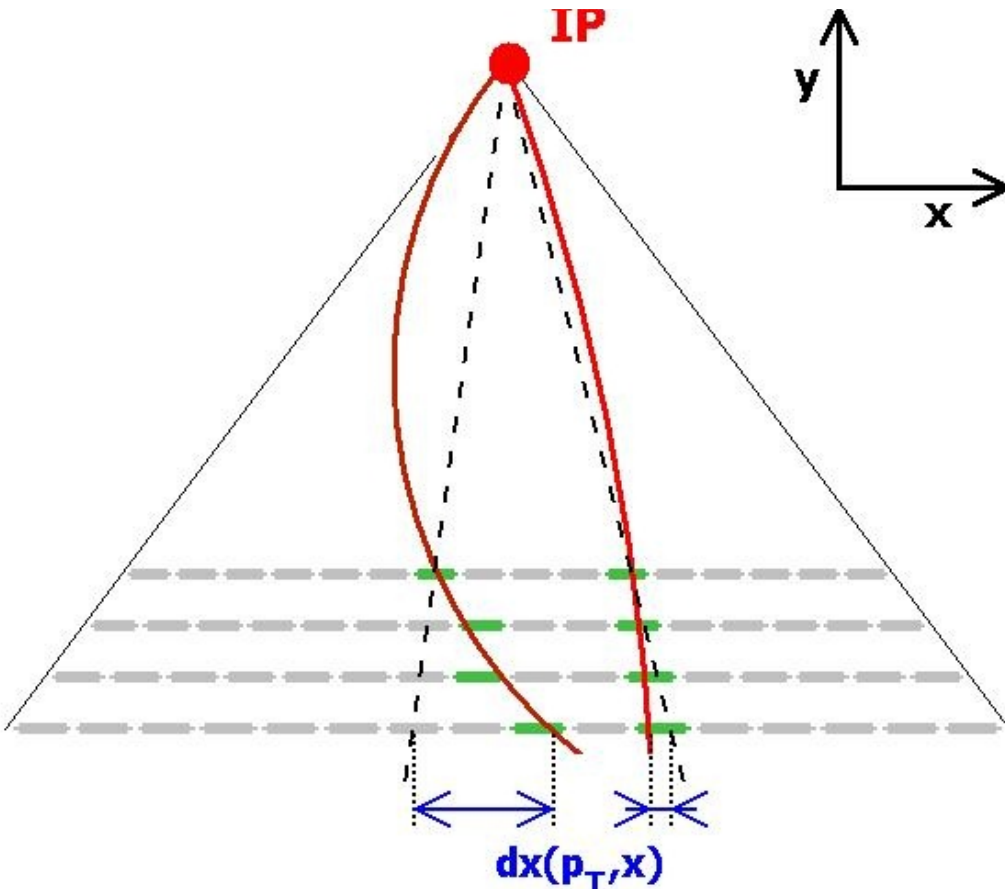


- Event by event analyses
- PID in the region:
 $5 \text{ GeV}/c < pT$
- Cherenkov radiation:
only gas can be used
- Mirror generated circles
- Need for an **L1** trigger:
within $5 \mu\text{s}$

Very High Momentum Particle Identification Detector

HPTD in ALICE

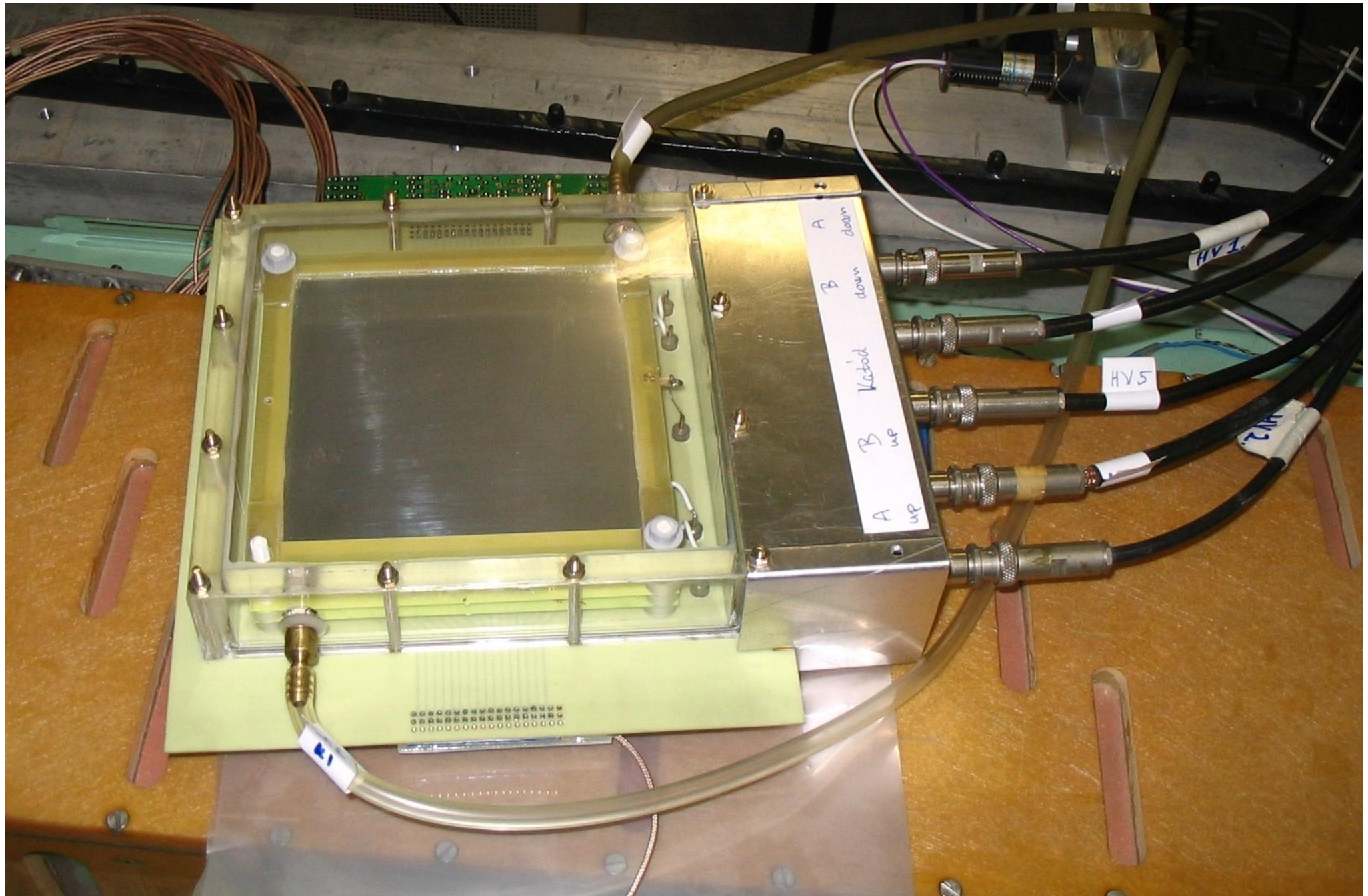
High P_T Trigger Detector



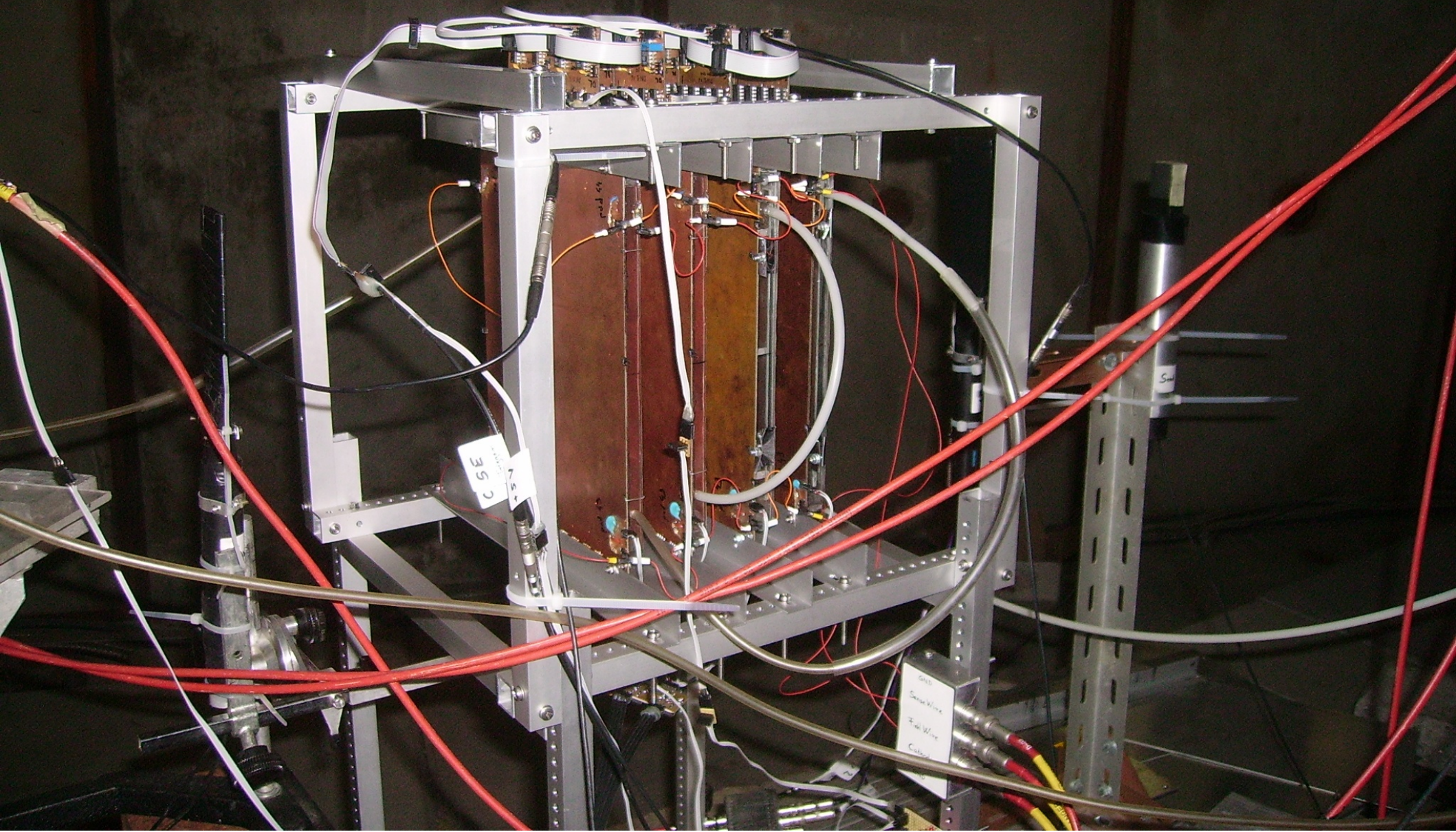
- VFAT applicability?
- Simple pattern recognition with FPGAs

- Measure particle inclination
- Good resolution along the direction of bending
- Pad size optimization through simulations (2-5 mm wide)
- Detector requirement
 - high granularity (pads $< 2\text{cm}^2$)
 - high multitrack resolution
 - no amplitude meas. needed
 - narrow response function (1 pad/hit)

HPTD prototype with TGEMs



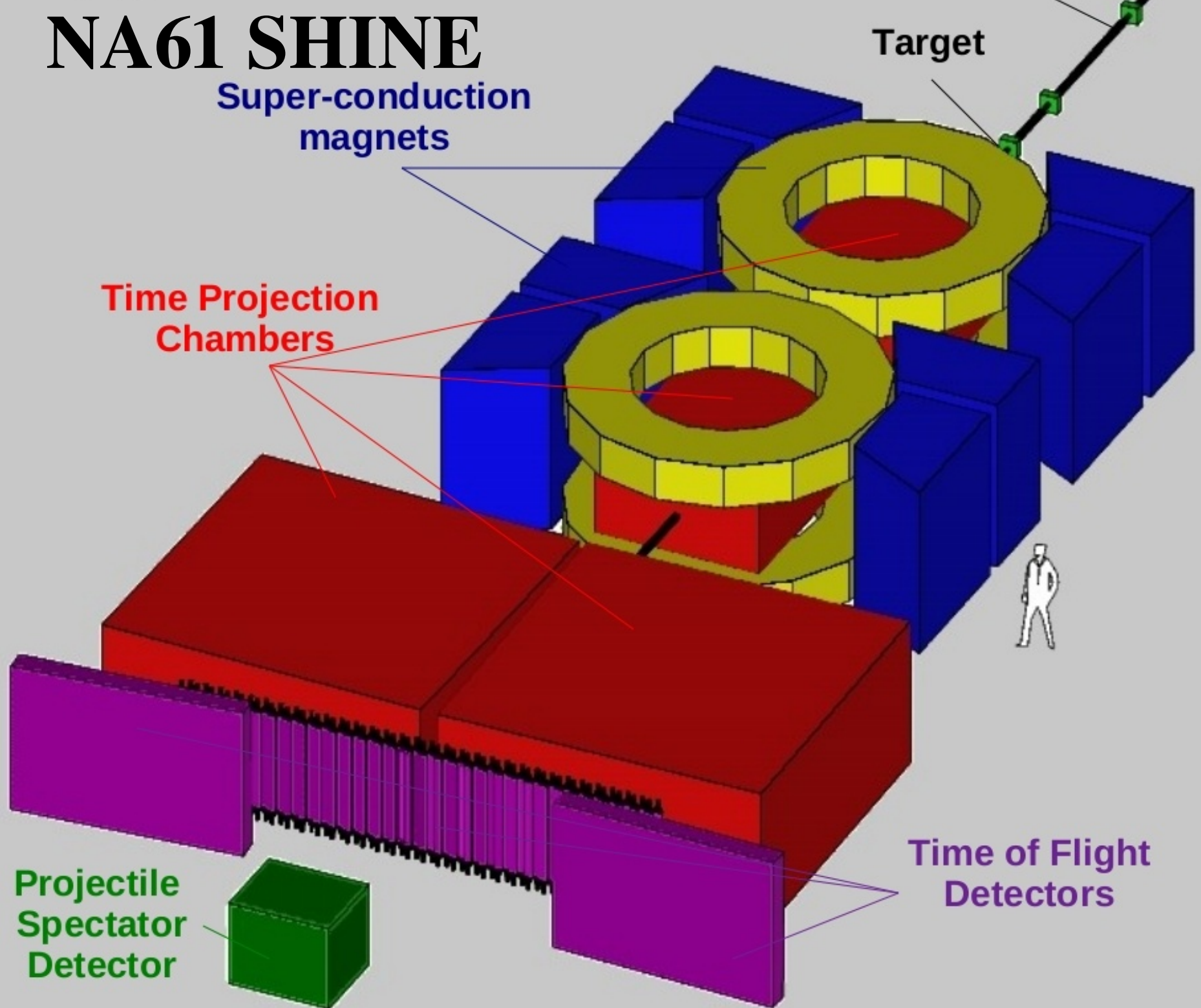
HPTD prototype with four wire chambers



Technological choices, studies

- **TGEM**
 - Test chambers, test beam at PS last year, results presented at the Collaboration Meeting in Paris
 - Problems with sparking
- **Classical MWPC**
 - wide response function
- **Modified MWPC (CCC)**
 - narrow response function wire chamber
 - test beam at PS, last month
- **Micromegas** (Forseen first prototype and beam test in 2010)
- **GEM** (Forseen first prototype and beam test in 2010)

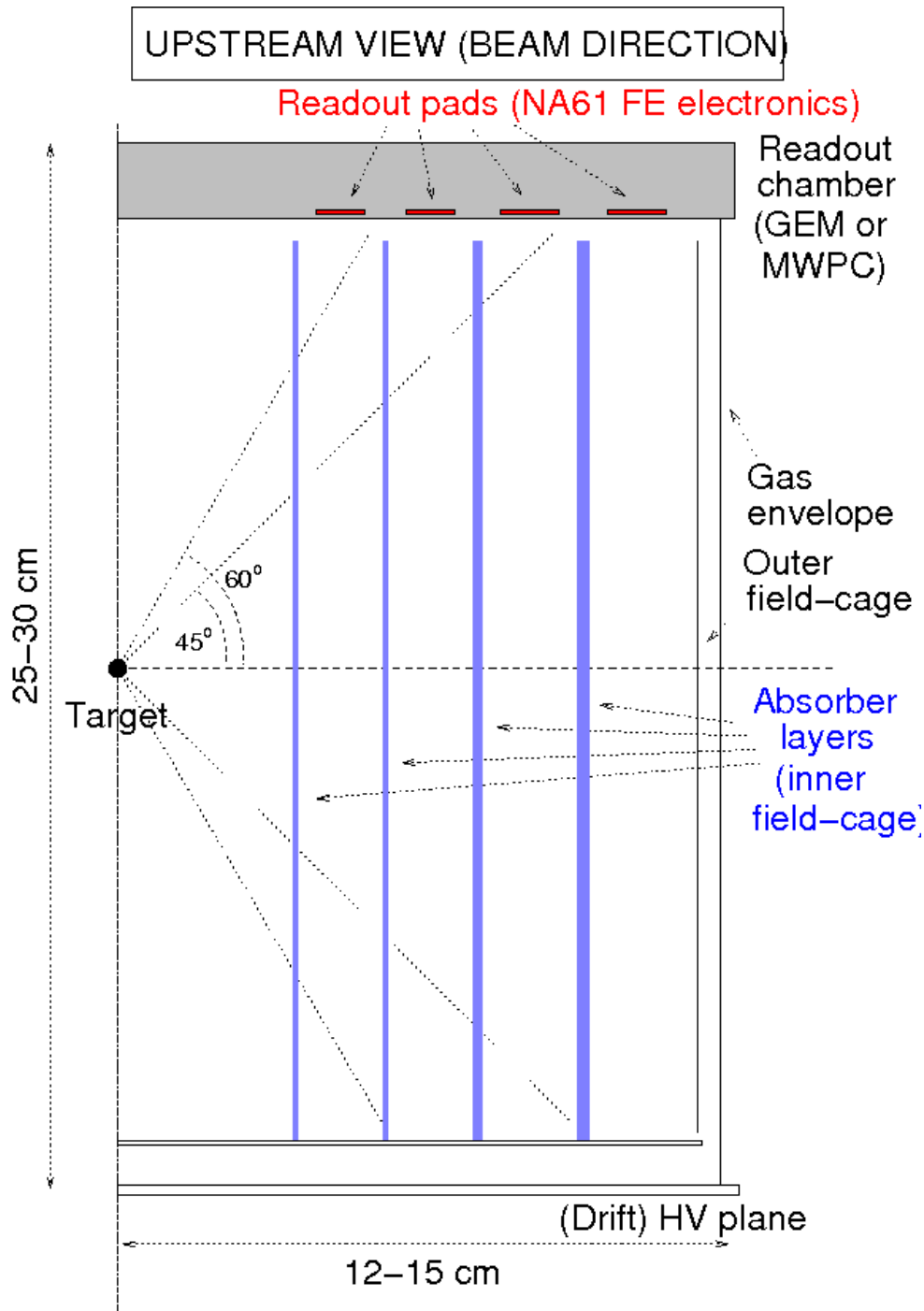
NA61 SHINE



NA61 Centrality Detector via Low Momentum Multiplicity and Identification detector

- h+A interactions: low momentum (gray) particle measurement: energy and identification.
- Centrality measurement, transition from “black” evaporation component to “gray” knock-on protons
- A+A interactions: backward multiplicity
(centrality or forward-backward correlation)

Principle of operation

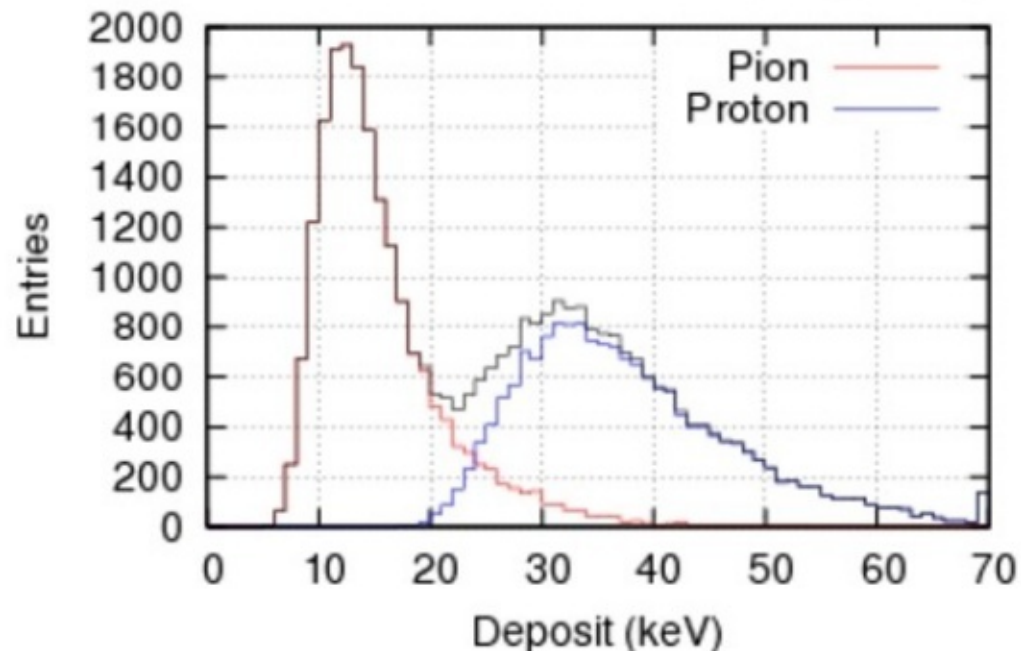


- Simultaneous measurement of **dE/dx** and **range**: energy and identification
- Intervals in particle range defined by absorber layers (constant thickness to be traversed)
- dE/dx measured over order of 1 cm in a small TPC (field cage printed on absorber)
- Electronics: same as for NA61!

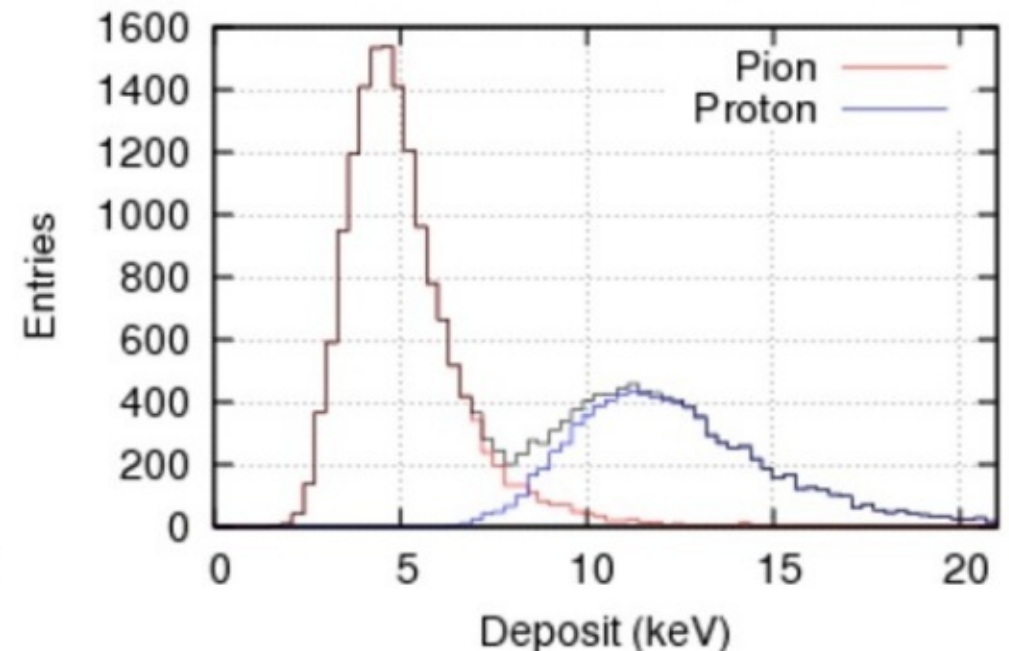
Operation principle: Simulation

- Preliminary! PAI (Fermi-) model of ionization
- Below: deposit distribution in range intervals

1-2 mm PET material traversed, single sample



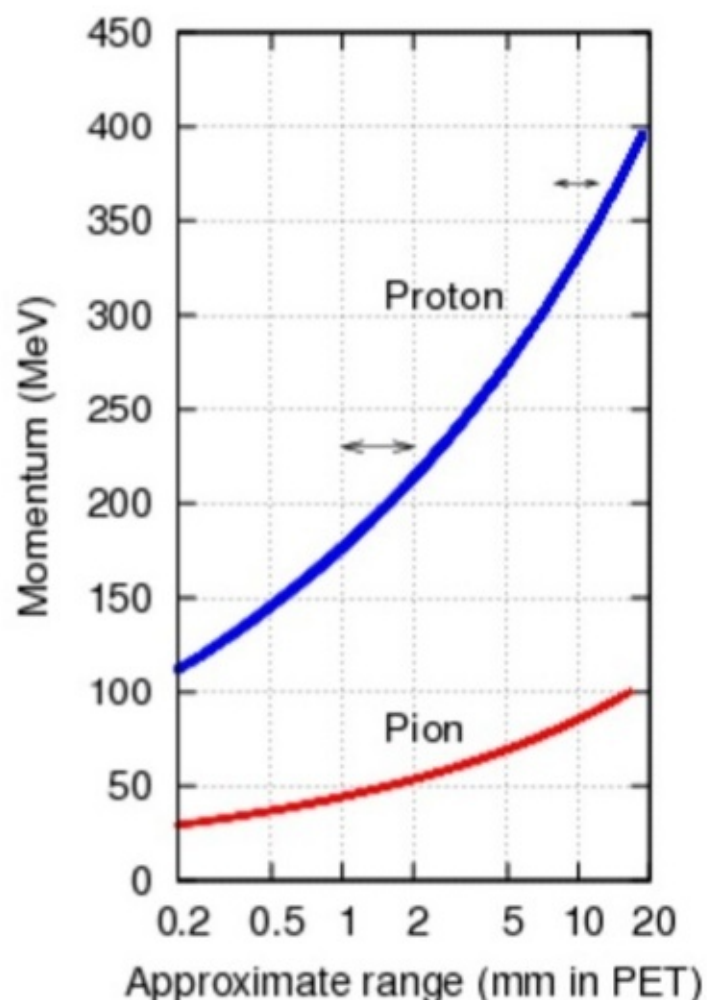
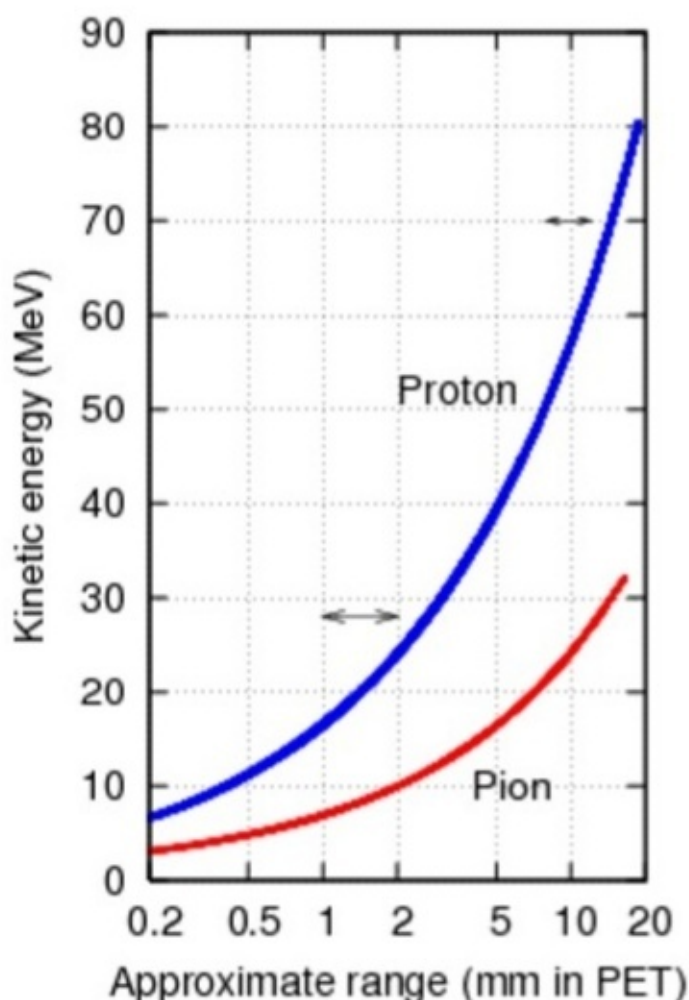
8-12 mm material traversed, two samples



- Clearly identified proton and pion peak!

Momentum (energy) – range relation

- Useful range: 0.5 – 20 mm in PET (shorter in heavier material, e.g. Cu); minimal target thickness needed.



Arrows indicate the ranges on figures before

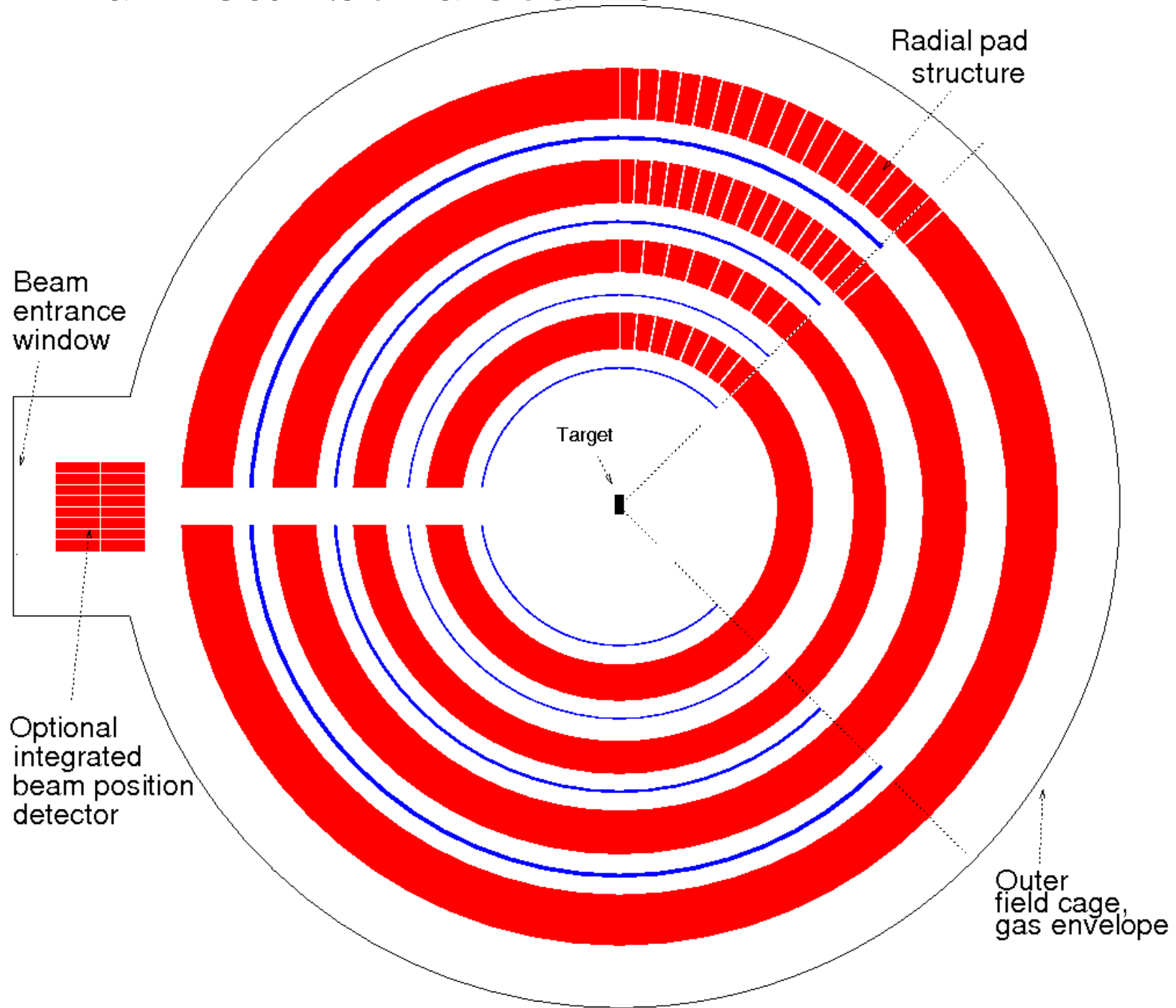
Hadronic effects to be considered in refined analysis!



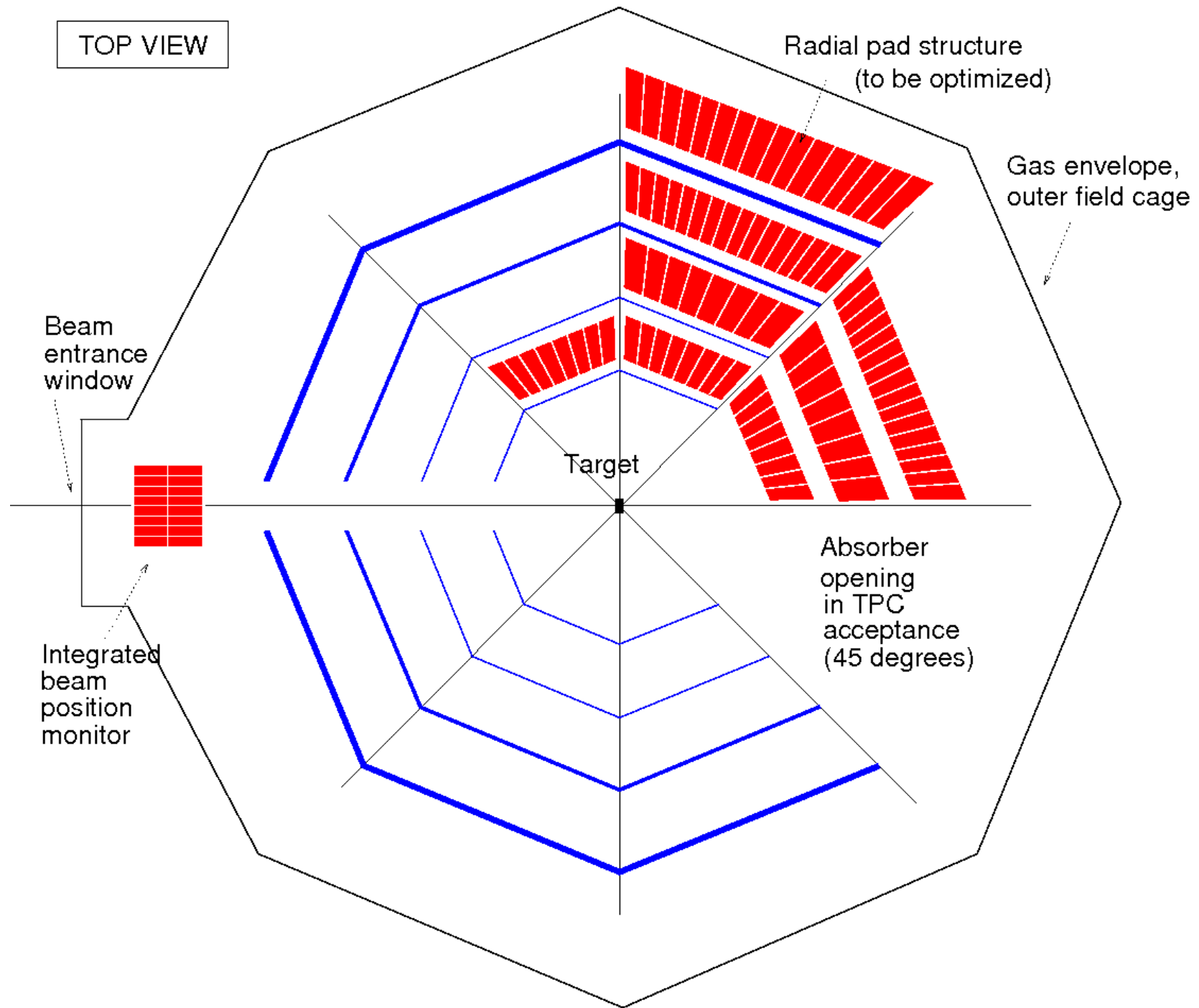
Technological choices, studies

- Readout technology:
GEM (possibility of complete cylindrical structure)
or **MWPC** (as in NA49 TPC-s)
- Radial pad structure
 - Pad sizes to be optimized (resolution, ionization)
(total pad number: 1 CT board)
 - Cylindrical structure: more complicated absorber construction (thickness varies with height!)
 - Polygonal structure: simpler, with dead zones
- Studies so far: test beam with first prototype

Cylindrical structure



Polygonal structure



Summary

- **High P_T Trigger Detector** for **VHMPID**
 - **VHMPID**: new R&D for **ALICE**
 - Need for a **trigger** : **HPTD**
 - Fast, high granularity, narrow response, 1bit digitalization, pattern recognition.
- **NA61 Centality Detector**
 - Detecting grey protons via range and dE/dx
 - Field cage on absorbers
 - Slow protons, wide dE/dx range, geometry embraces the target, NA61 electronics