



# HERD PSD

## The “Tiles” option

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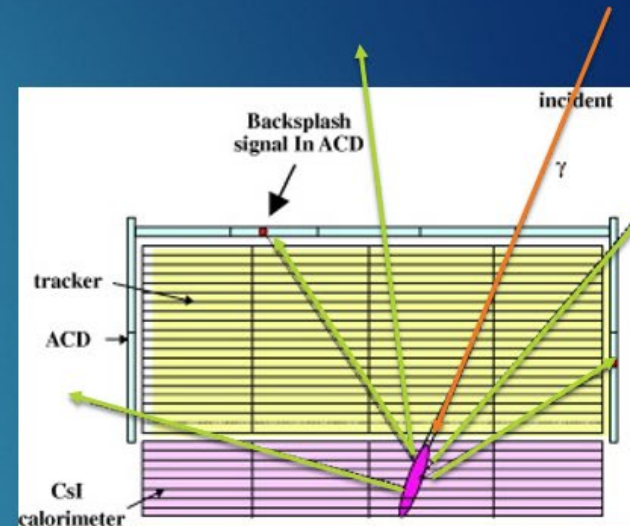
# INFN support to PSD R&D

- ▶ INFN is supporting the Italian groups (Bari, Lecce, GSSI, Pavia) in the R&D activities on the HERD-PSD design for the next 3 years
- ▶ In 2019 we will perform different tests both on the SiPM readout and on the readout chain
- ▶ We need to join our effort to reach a common design that can fulfill all the request for the science of HERD (both gammas and charged particles)

# Recap on back splash

## Back splash

- ▶ This is a preliminary study of the effect of back splash both for charged particles (namely protons) and gammas
- ▶ The back splash is due to low energy particles (charged and neutral) produce in the shower development and that travel backwards and may reach the plastic scintillator
- ▶ Gamma ray back splash could rise a VETO in the PSD that reject good photon events lowering the detection efficiency and the effective area at high energy
- ▶ Proton back splash could increase the charge deposit in the PSD bars or tiles and therefore lead to a misidentification of the incoming particle



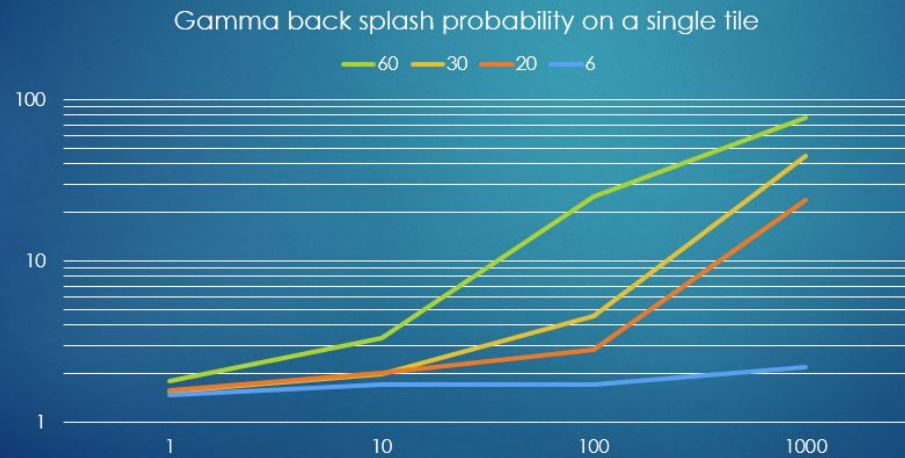
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# Recap on backsplash

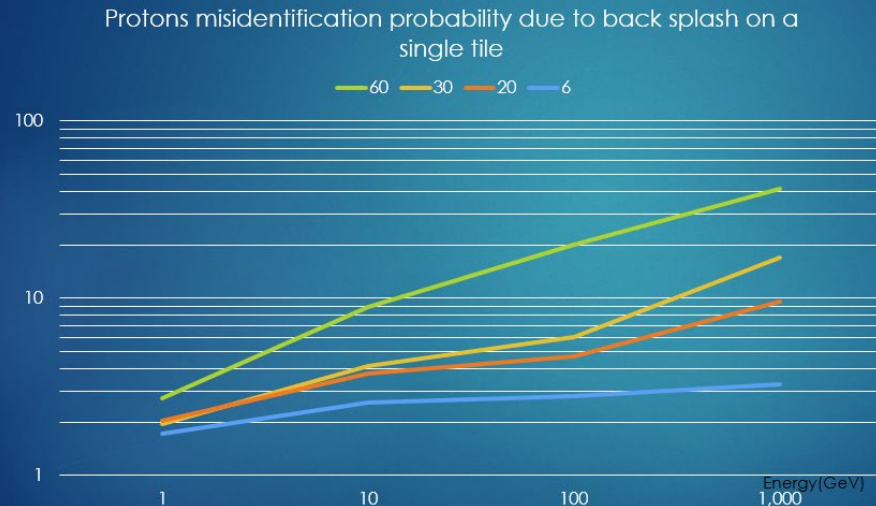
## Back splash for gamma

- ▶ To estimate the effect of the back-splash on the self VETO for high energy gammas we have considered as vetoed all the events with at least a signal (**0.25MIP**) in the PSD tile crossed by the photon.



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## Back-splash for protons



- ▶ As expected the effect of back splash increase with energy and with tile size

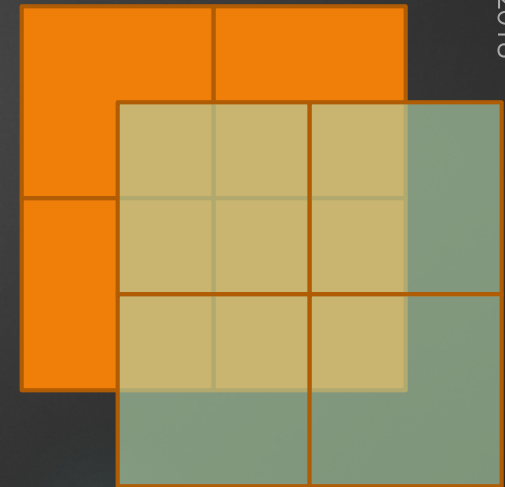
# This work

- ▶ We have studied different solution (Tiles, Bars, WLS fiber readout) with a very simple approach based on analytic calculations
- ▶ This work could be used as a first guide to the selection of the different configurations that will be studied in details in the next month
- ▶ We are already developing a dedicated GEANT4 simulation to better study all the solutions. This is not in the general simulation framework since it is very specific for the PSD.

# Tile configuration

- ▶ The tile solution could be very valid in rejection of backplash but it has higher costs in terms of readout channels and power consumption
- ▶ To be effective in Z identification we need a double measurement of the ionization so we need two layers of tiles
- ▶ A possible solution could be place the tiles in a staggered way as in the picture
- ▶ With this solution we can consider an “effective” tile as the overlap between two “real” tiles
  - ▶ Half the number of tiles and readout channels
  - ▶ This should be verified with the simulation

Real tile size (cm)	Effective tile size (cm)	# Tiles in a TOP layers
20	10	81
10	5	324



# Bar configuration

- ▶ This is the standard configuration with a long bar 1800x120x10 mm<sup>3</sup>
- ▶ Readout at both ends with 4 SiPM



# Light output

- ▶ BC400 Light yield: 25000 ph/MeV
- ▶ The light that exit from each side of the tile is the same:
  - ▶ 3700 ph/MeV (taking into account 10% of trapped light)
- ▶ Energy Loss in BC400: 1.5 MeV/cm
- ▶ We can consider also a readout of a tile with a WLS fiber (as in the figure)
- ▶ The WLS fiber trapping efficiency is 15% (to be verified)
- ▶ The WLS fiber transmission efficiency is 5% (to be verified)
- ▶ We have taken into account Birks Saturation



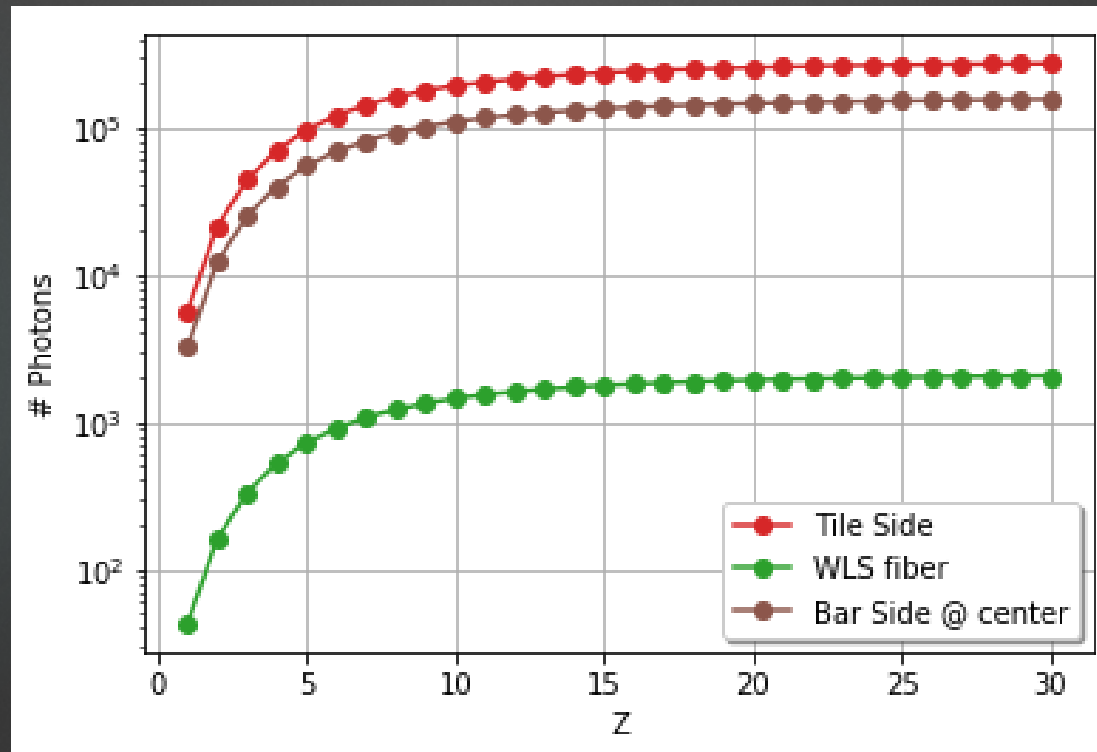
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$$\frac{dL}{dx} = S \frac{\frac{dE}{dx}}{1 + k_B \frac{dE}{dx}}$$



# Light output vs Z

- ▶ We have analytically calculated the light output for different Z value of the incident particle
- ▶ We have take into account the Birks saturation formula
- ▶ We have assumed that the light output is the same from each side
- ▶ For the bar we have assumed the ionization event at the center of the bar and taken into account the attenuation length



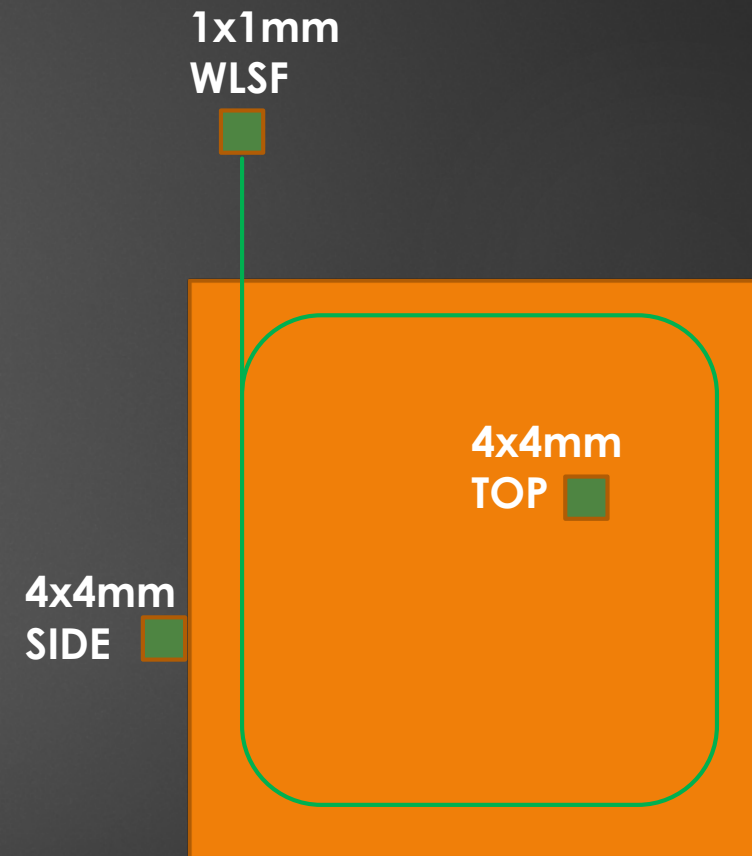
# Readout with SiPM

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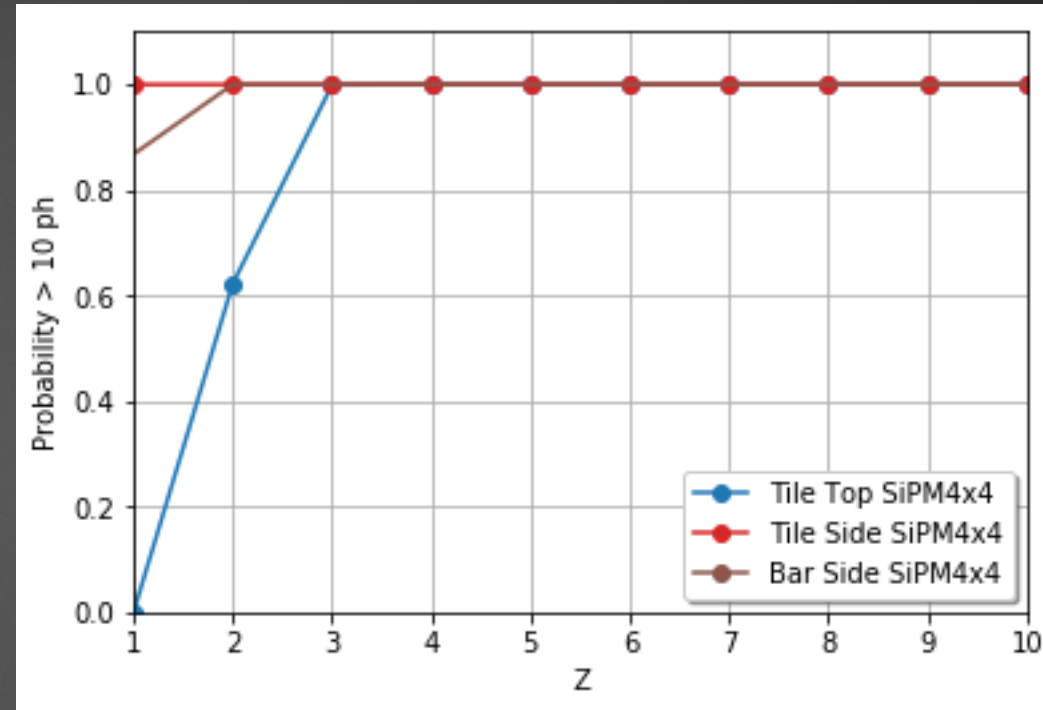
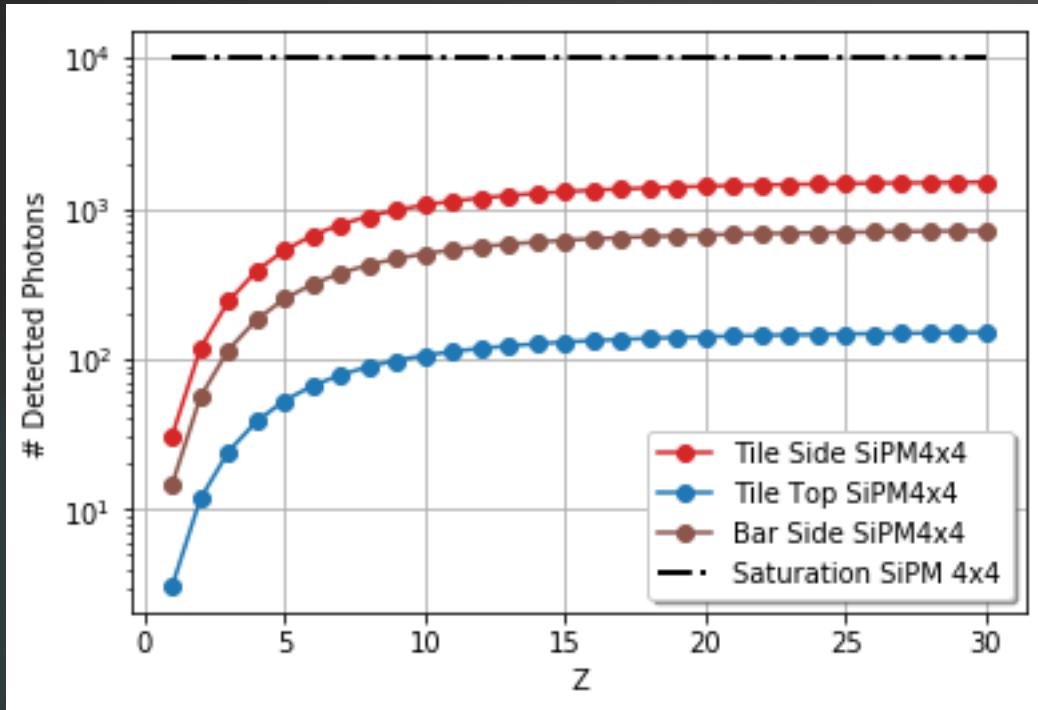
- ▶ We have considered a SiPM 4x4 mm<sup>2</sup> with 40um cells for the readout of the tile and a SiPM 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup> with 40um cells for the WLS readout
- ▶ The filling factor is 60%
- ▶ The number of cell is:
  - ▶ 4x4mm<sup>2</sup>: 10000
  - ▶ 1x1mm<sup>2</sup>: 625
- ▶ The PDE @ 420nm is 43%
- ▶ The coupling efficiency between tile/wls and SiPM has been fixed at 80% (to be verified)

# SiPM position

- ▶ We have considered two position of the SiPM on the tile:
  - ▶ side of the tile
  - ▶ top of the tile
- ▶ The WLS fiber is directly coupled to the SiPM
- ▶ For redundancy we should consider at least two SiPM for each type
- ▶ To roughly evaluate the detection efficiency we have assumed Poisson statistic and evaluated the probability to detect a signal above the noise level (10 photons)



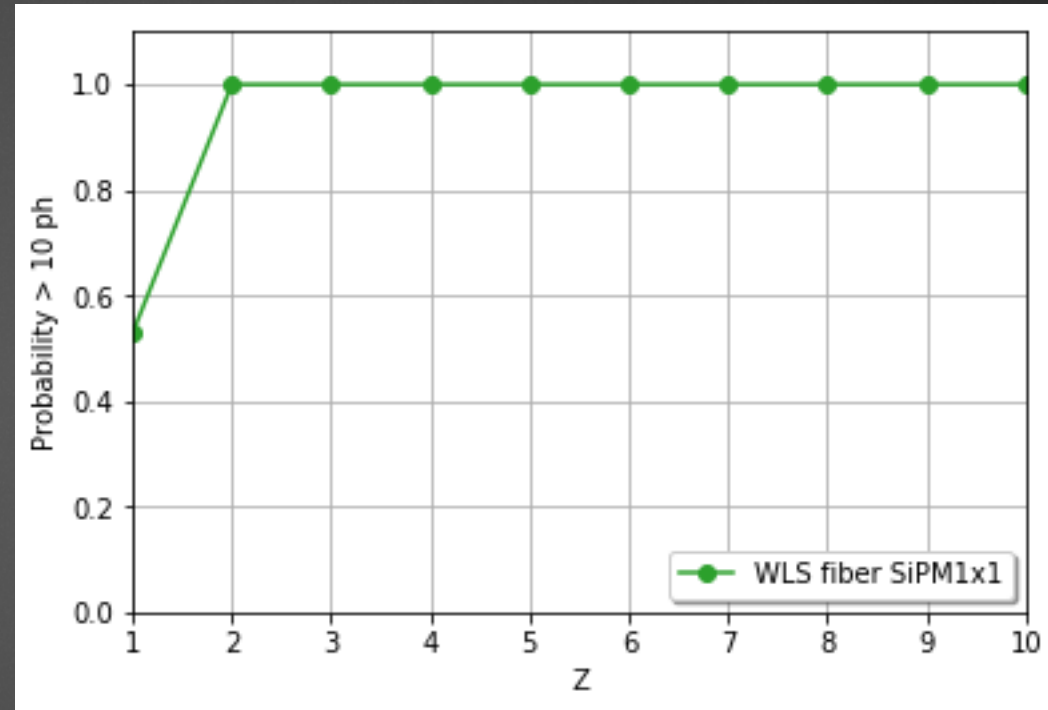
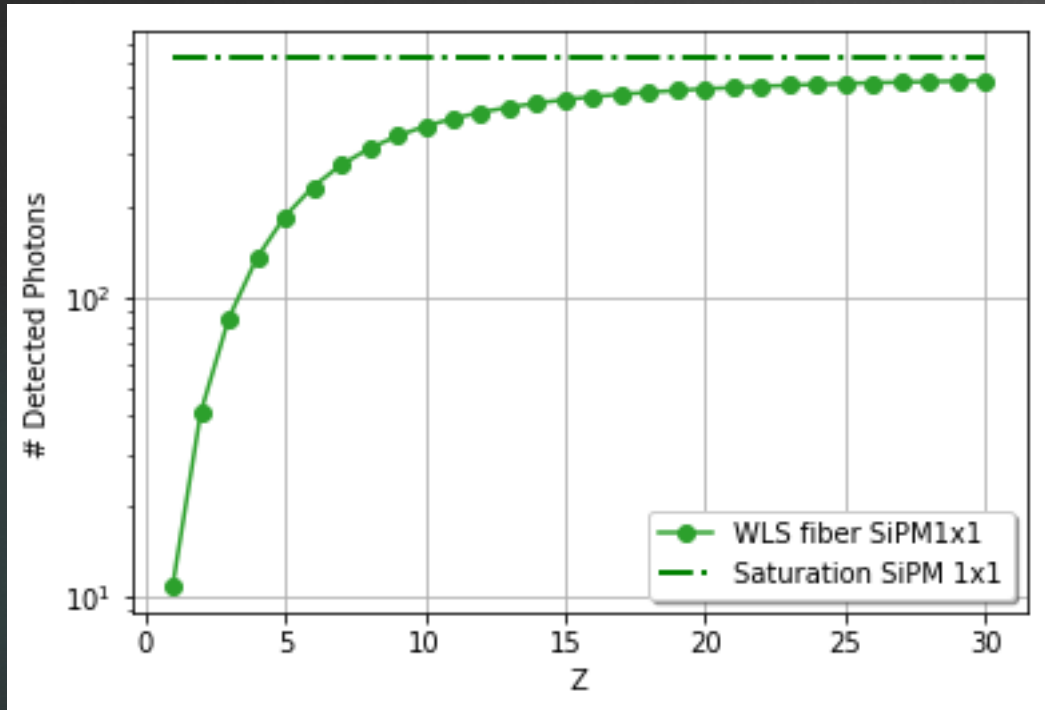
# SiPM 4x4 mm<sup>2</sup> on tile and bar



- All the configurations are far from the saturation of the SiPM (10<sup>4</sup> cells)
  - This is due to the Bircks saturation effect in the light output and needs to be carefully studied with simulation
- The SiPM on the TOP side of the Tile and the SiPM on the SIDE of the bar collect very few photons especially at low Z and therefore cannot be safely used as veto (very low efficiency)

# SiPM 1x1mm<sup>2</sup> for WLS fiber

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- With the WLS fiber readout we are close at the saturation of the SiPM (625 cells) at high Z
- The SiPM collects very few photons especially at low Z and therefore cannot be safely used as veto (very low efficiency)

# Comparison

	Bars (1800x120mm <sup>2</sup> )	Tile (100x100mm <sup>2</sup> )	Tile (200x200mm <sup>2</sup> )	Tile w/ WLS (200x200mm <sup>2</sup> )
# elements	30	324	81	81
# SiPM	240	648 (1296)	162(324)	162

- For all the configurations we have assumed two layers of plastic scintillators
- Bars: 8 SiPM (4 for each side) per bar
- Tile: 2(4) SiPM per tail
- Tile with WLS readout : 2 SiPM per fiber

# Comparison

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Configuration	PRO	CONS
Tile Side SiPM 4x4mm <sup>2</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Very high light yield at low Z</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non Uniform light collection</li></ul>
Tile Top SiPM 4x4mm <sup>2</sup>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Very low light yield at low Z (no good for veto)</li><li>• Non Uniform light collection</li></ul>
Tile WLS Fiber - SiPM 1x1mm <sup>2</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Uniform light collection</li><li>• Good light yield in all Z range (some caveat at high Z)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• More complex</li><li>• Very low light yield at low Z (no good for veto)</li></ul>
Bar Side SiPM 4x4mm <sup>2</sup>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Low light yield at low Z (no good for veto)</li><li>• Non Uniform light collection</li></ul>

# Comparison

- ▶ According to this very preliminary study a promising solution is the one with tiles readout by two or more SiPM in the side
- ▶ The number of SiPMs and their position should be optimized with simulation and test
- ▶ We have not taken into account the readout electronics that could introduce an other kind of saturation. Probably a two gain readout is needed.



# What Next

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- ▶ Setup a simulation of a single tile to study:
  - ▶ Light output
  - ▶ Uniformity of light collection
  - ▶ Position and number of SiPMs
- ▶ Setup a test stand to study with Cosmic Rays (and possibly for Beam Test)
  - ▶ Light output
  - ▶ SiPM performances (saturation, gain, cross-talk, ...)
  - ▶ Uniformity of light collection
  - ▶ Detection efficiency
- ▶ Study of a readout chain with a low power consumption and two gains