

Lepton Beams: LDMX@eSPS (NA64++, AWAKE++)

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Introduction

thermal origin of Dark Matter \rightarrow production mechanism at accelerators!



can profit greatly from opportunities and accelerator R&D at CERN!

\rightarrow NA64++(e, μ), AWAKE++, LDMX@eSPS

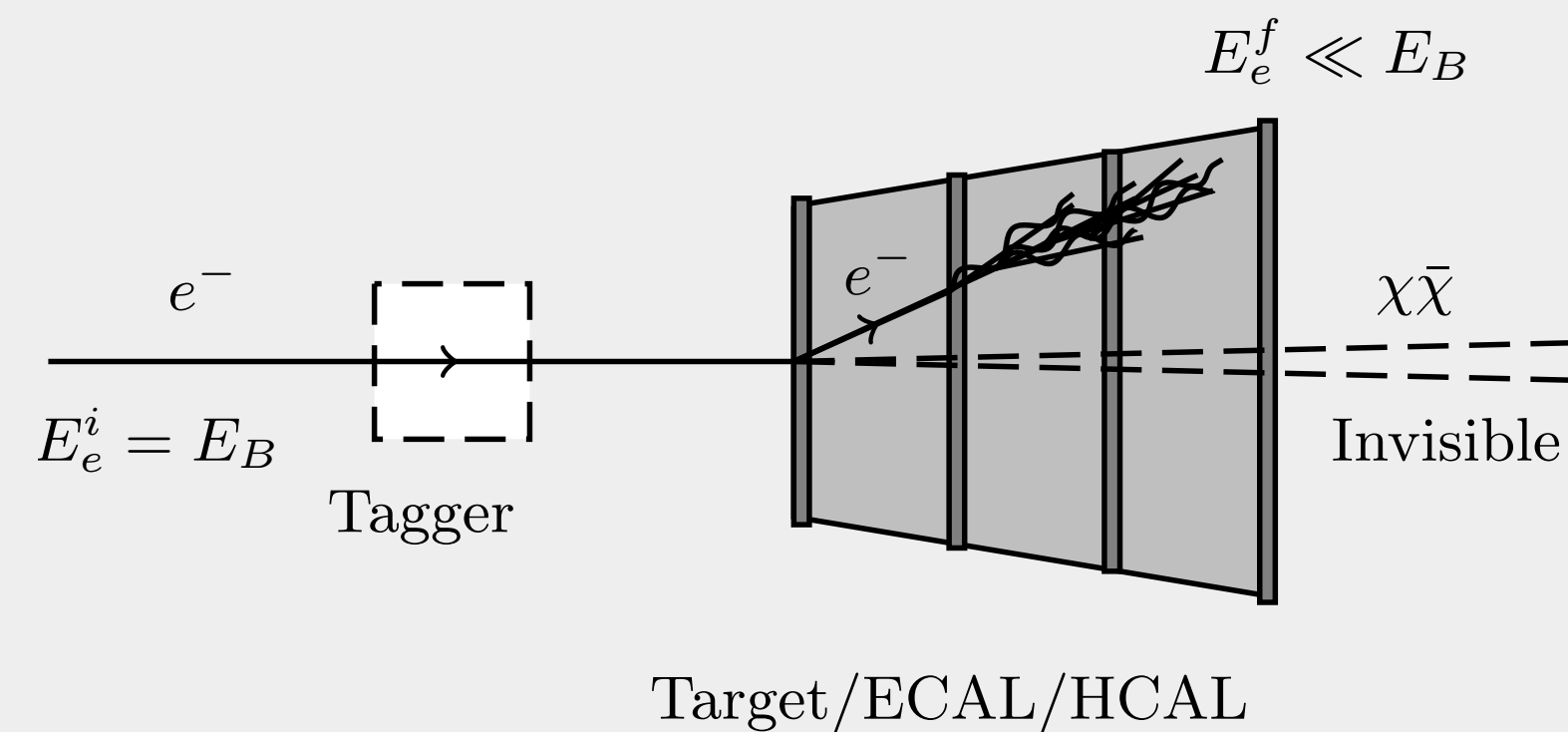
this talk: mostly **LDMX@eSPS**, **invisible** signature (missing energy/momentum)

BUT: experiments have sensitivity to broad range of new phenomena,
both visible and invisible

Missing Something

two approaches here:

missing energy

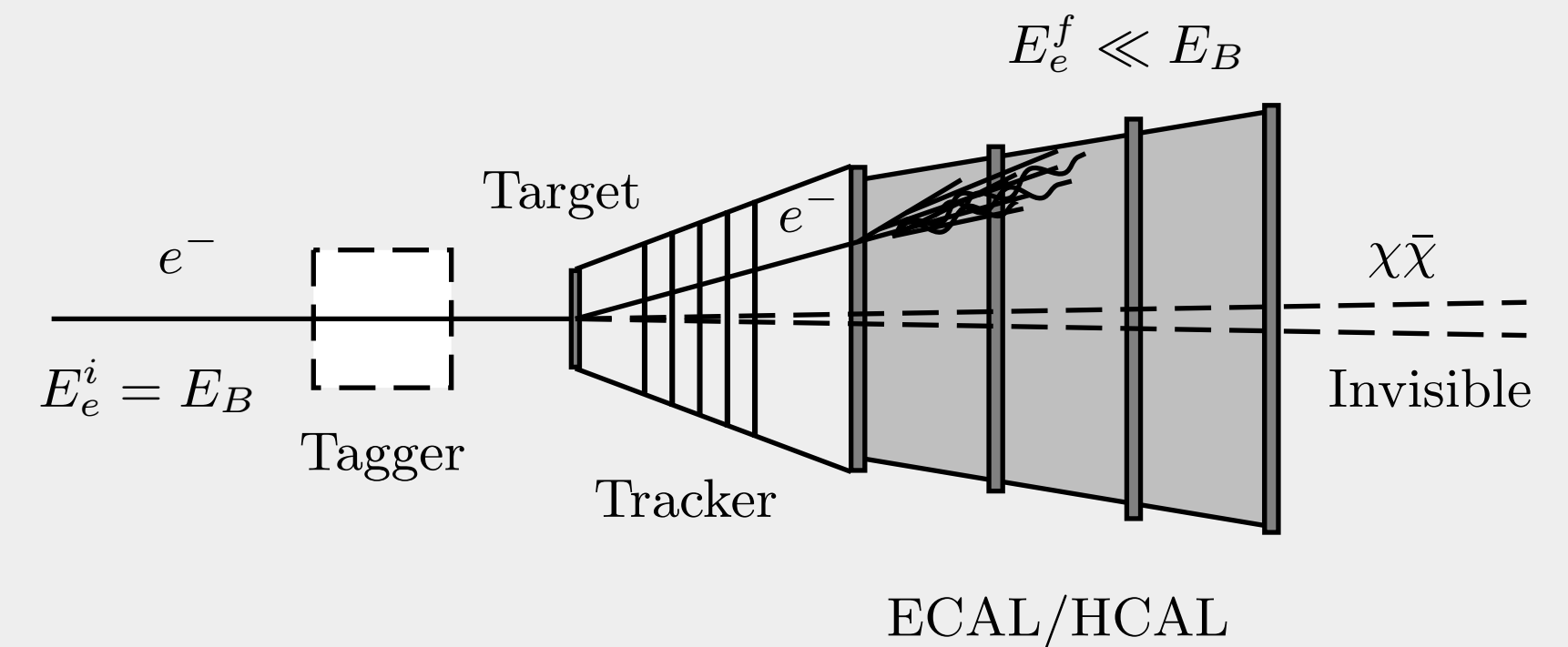


higher signal yield/EoT (thicker target)

greater signal acceptance

no e - γ particle ID

missing momentum



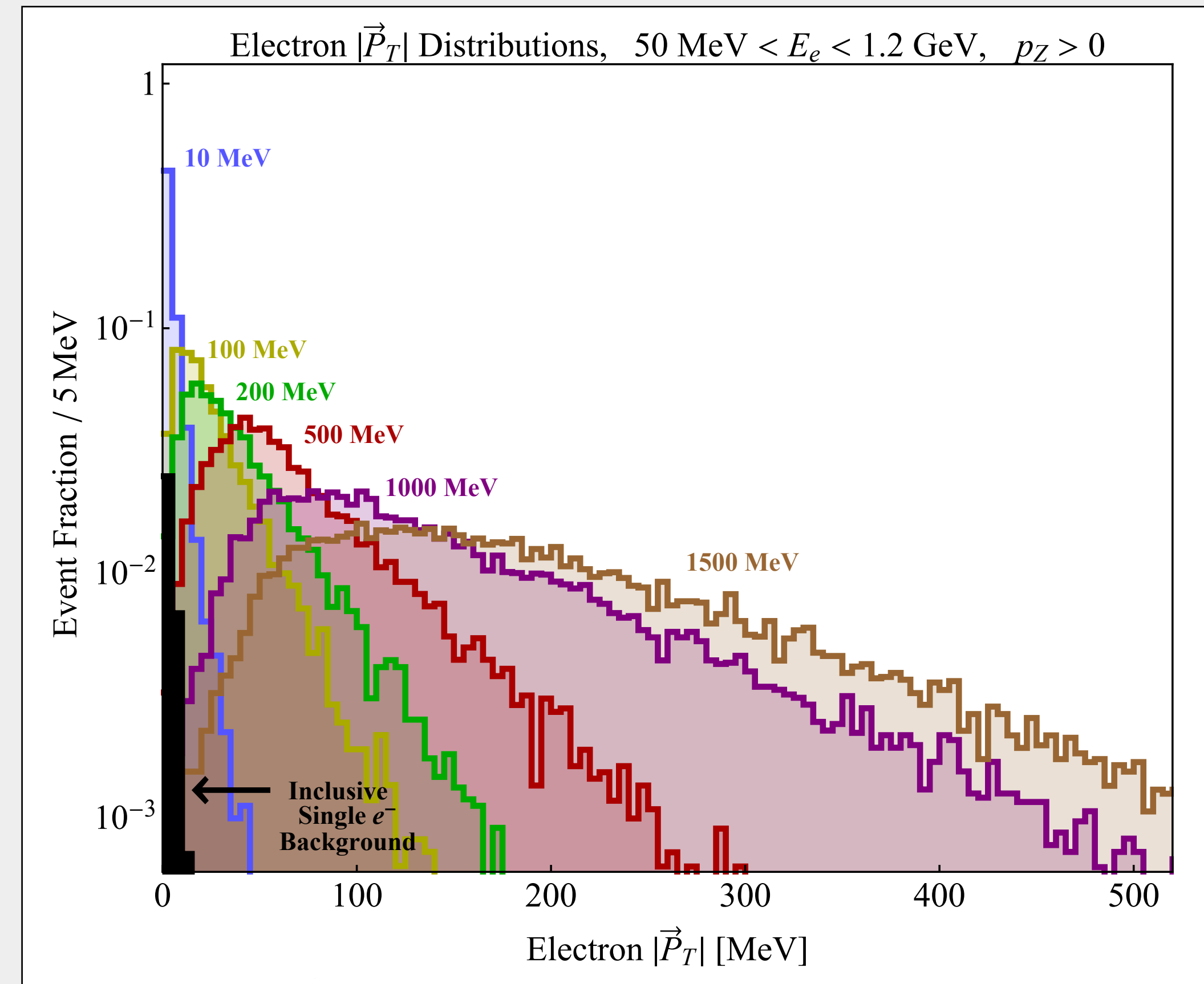
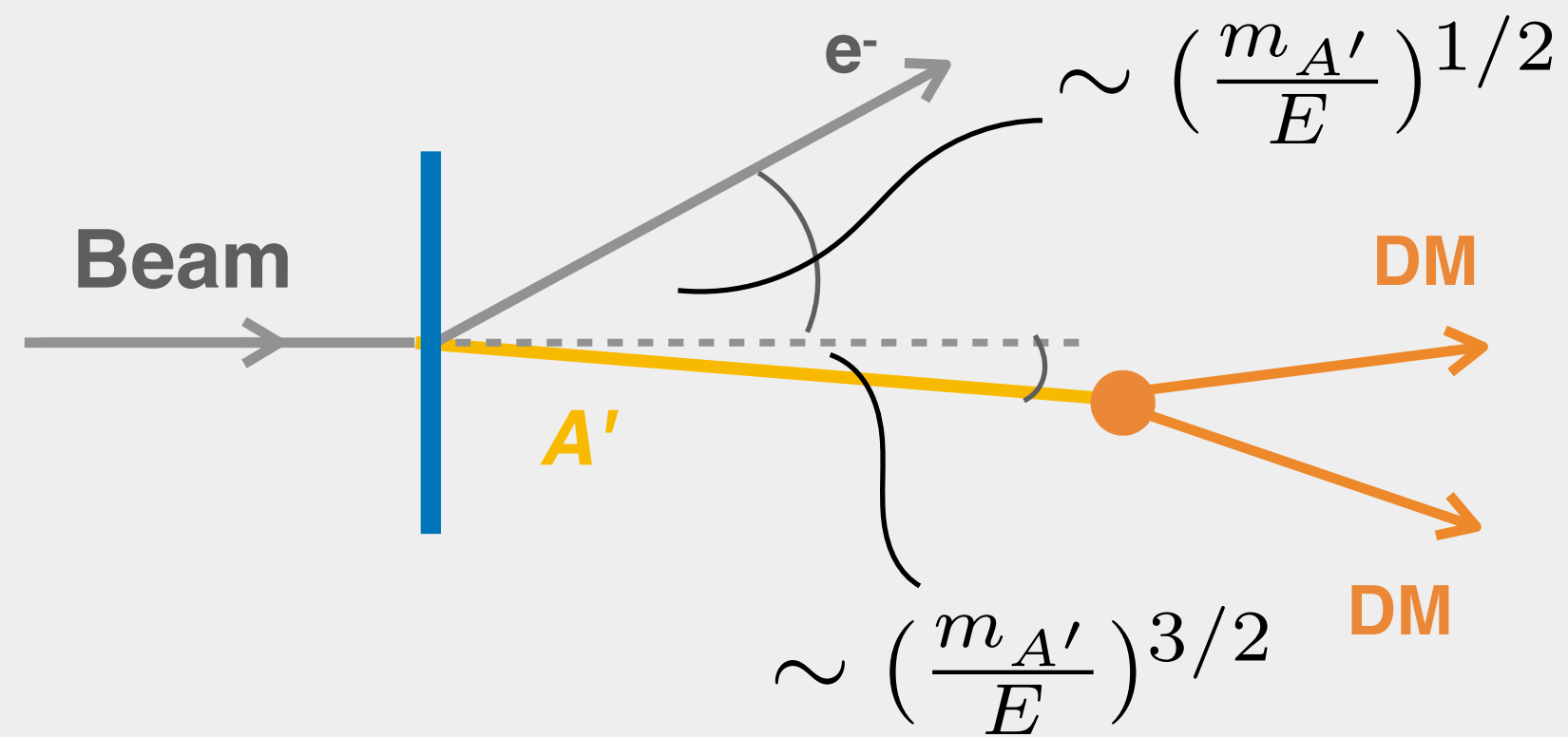
includes missing energy

p_T as discriminator & *signal identifier*

e - γ particle ID

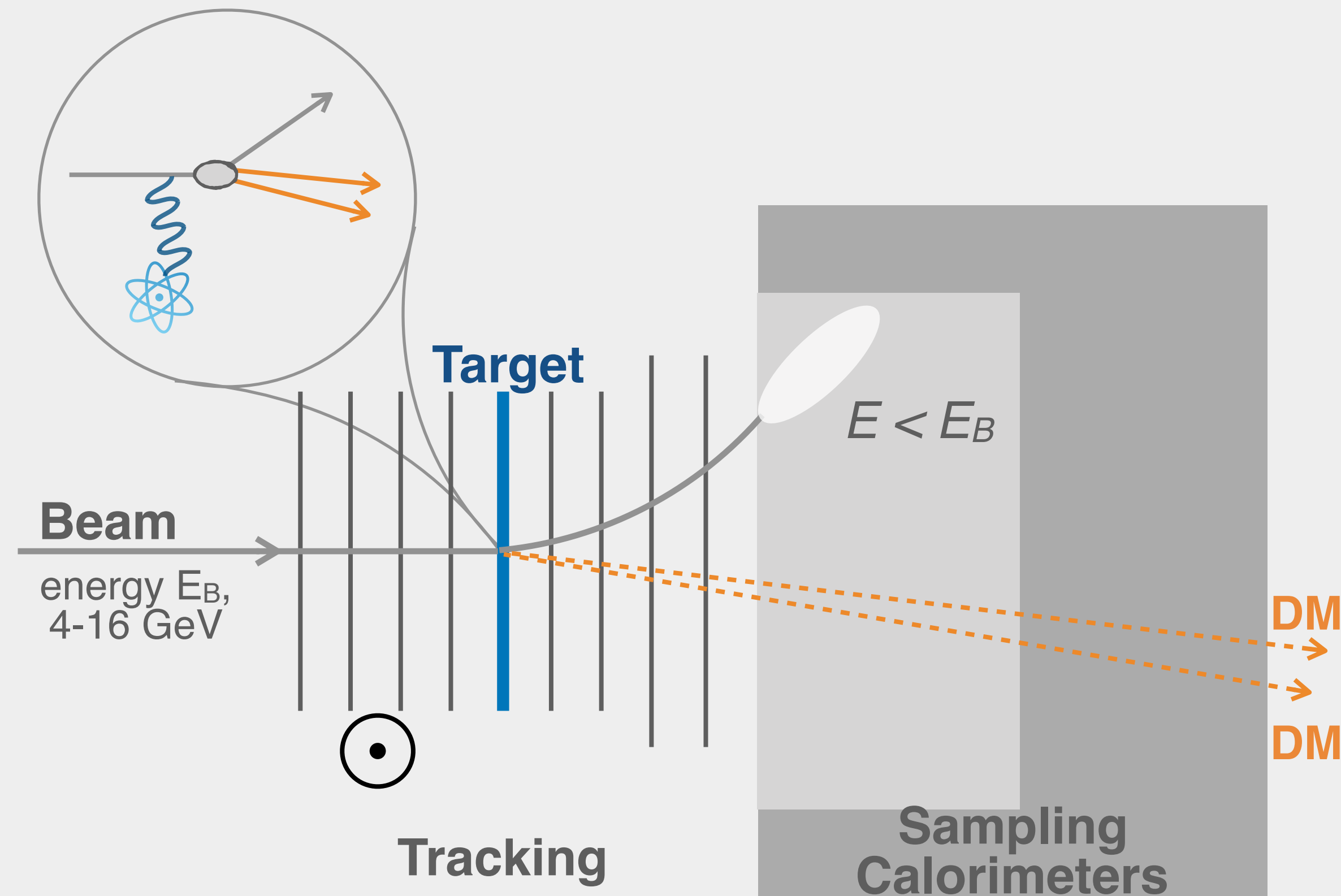
Kinematics

very different from SM bremsstrahlung
(main background)

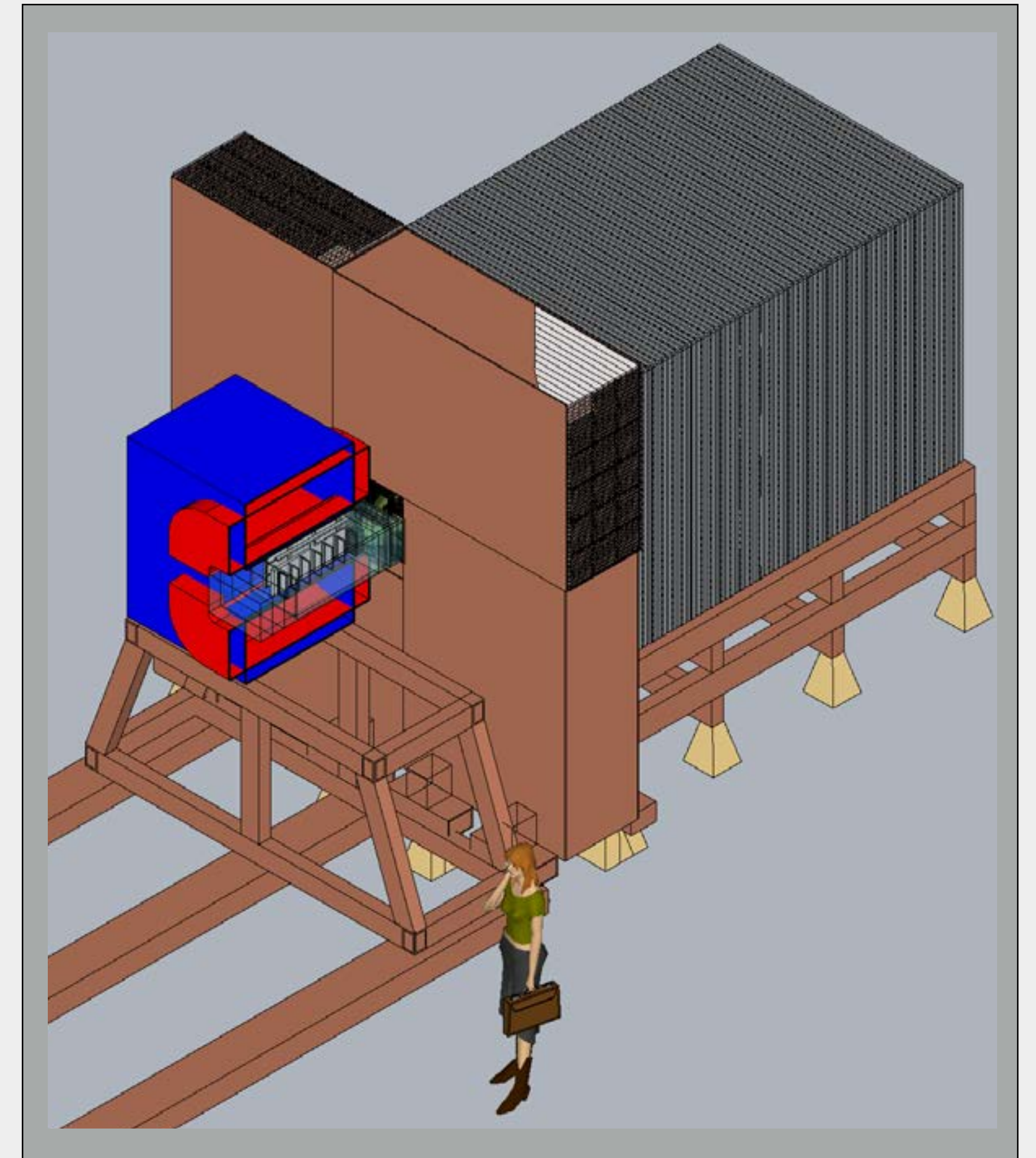


**measurement of p_T : strong discriminator
AND information about (missing) mass!**

Light Dark Matter eXperiment



individually measure up to 10^{16} electrons on target (EoT),
missing energy & *missing (transverse) momentum*



small-scale experiment

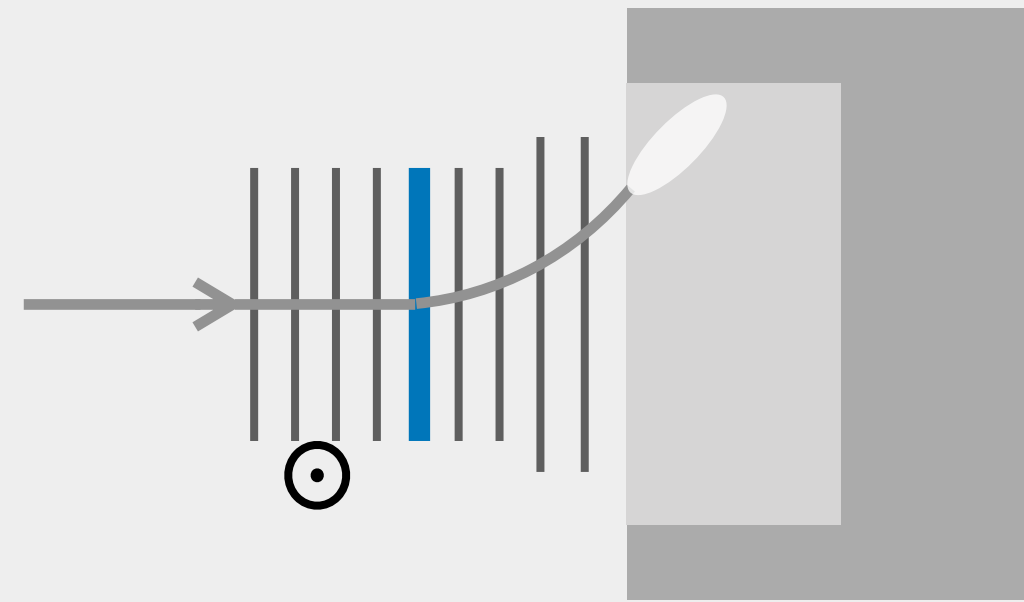
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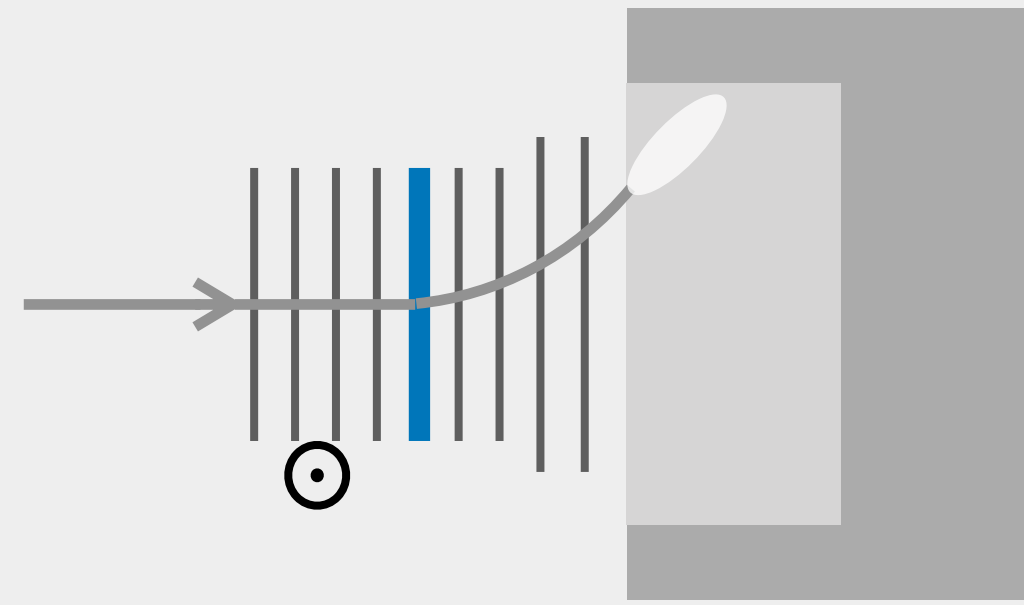
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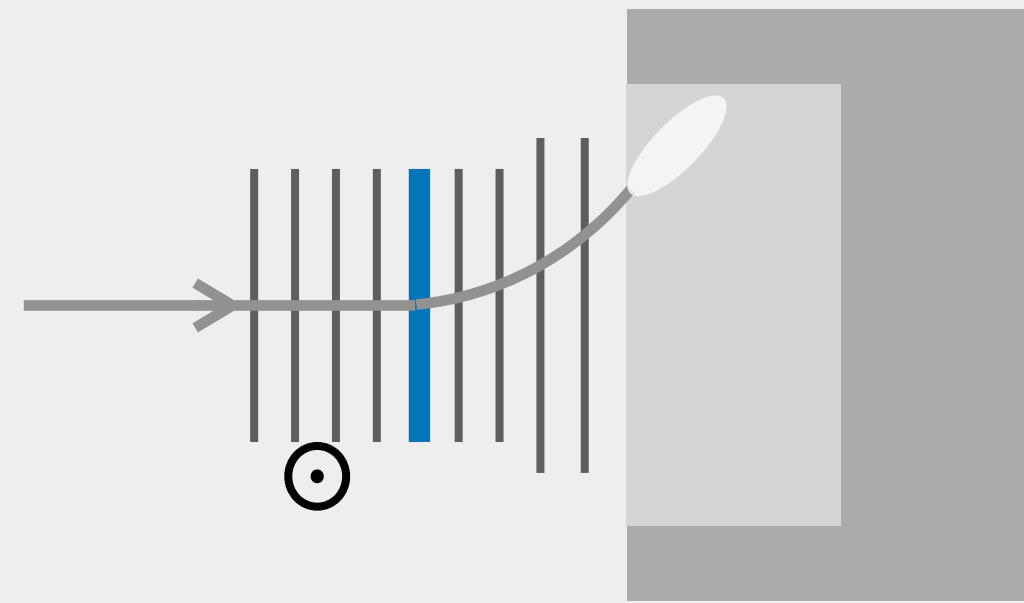
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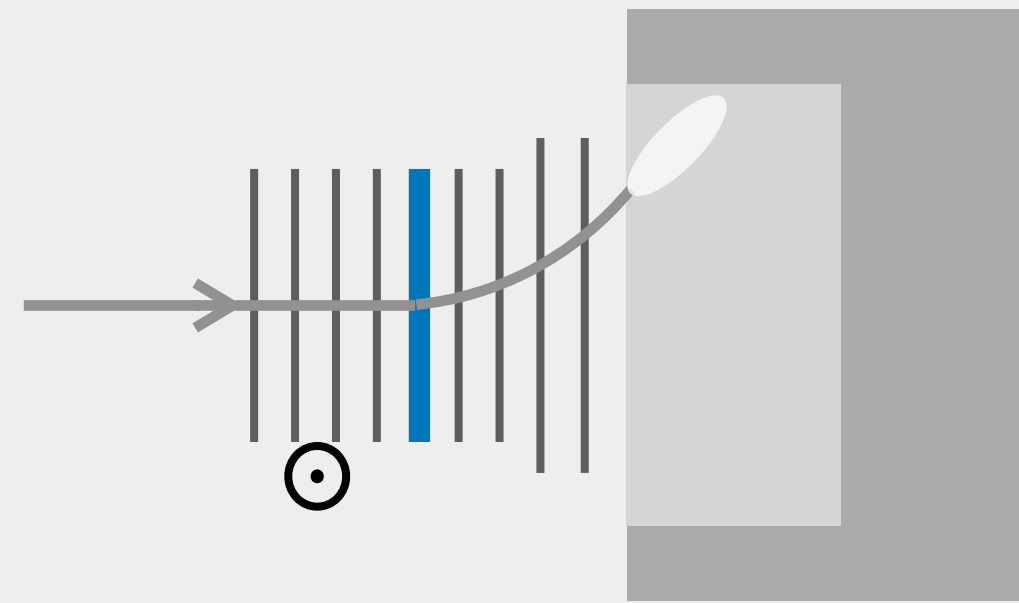
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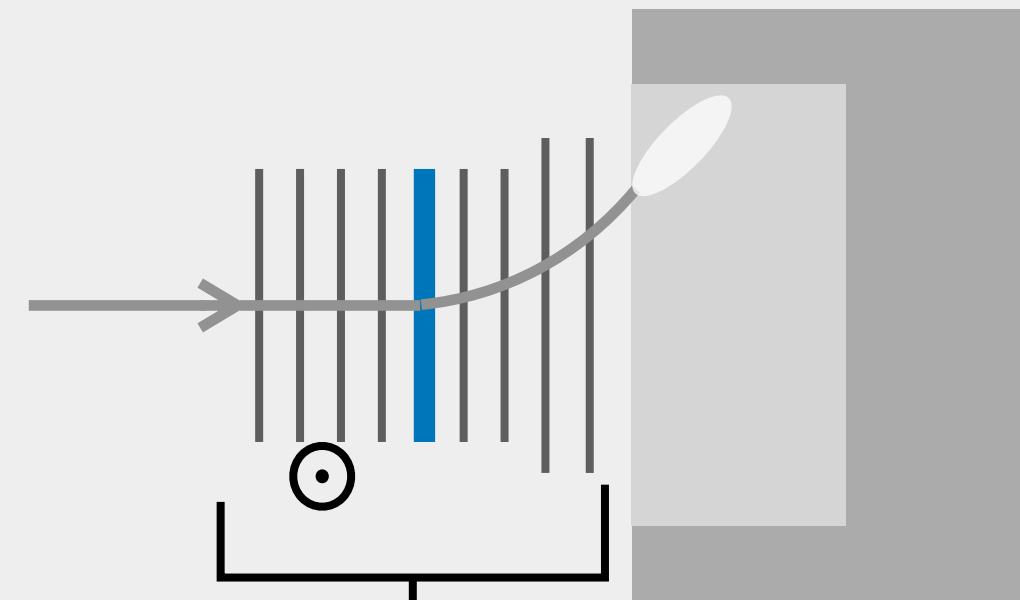
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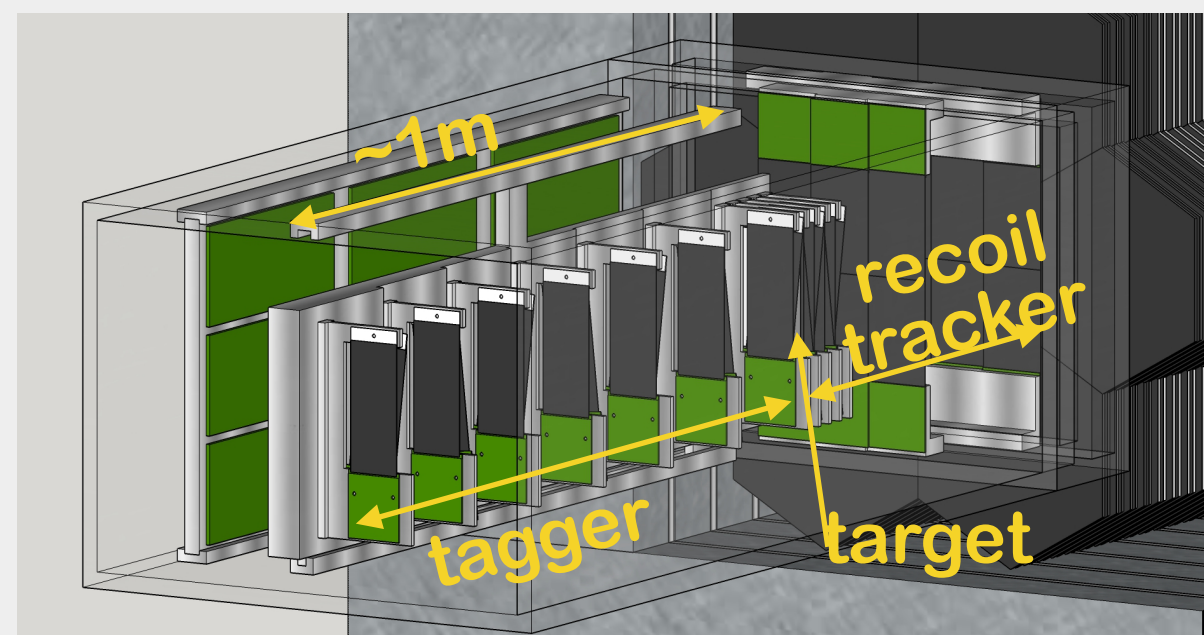
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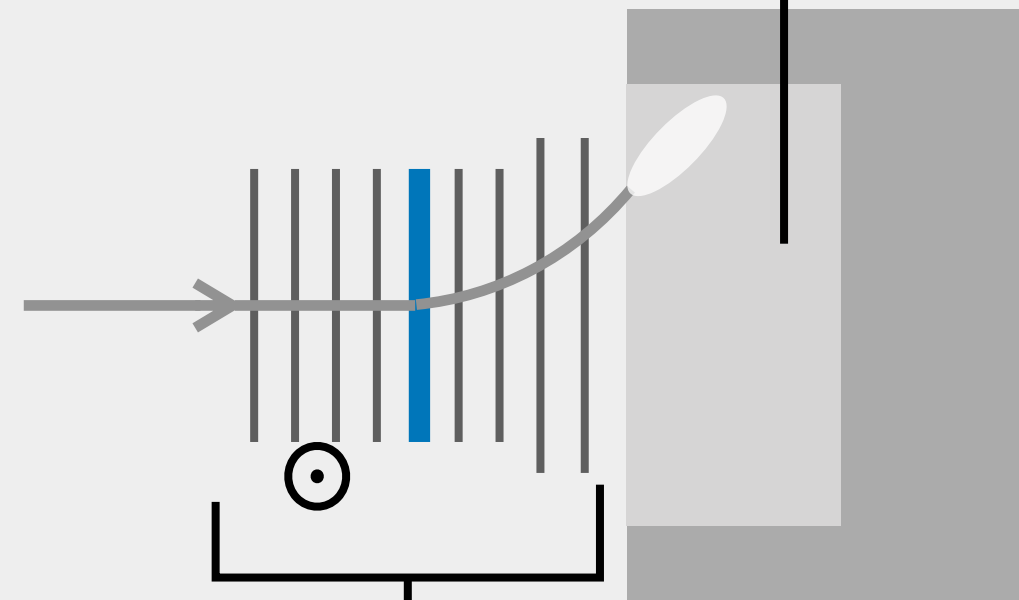
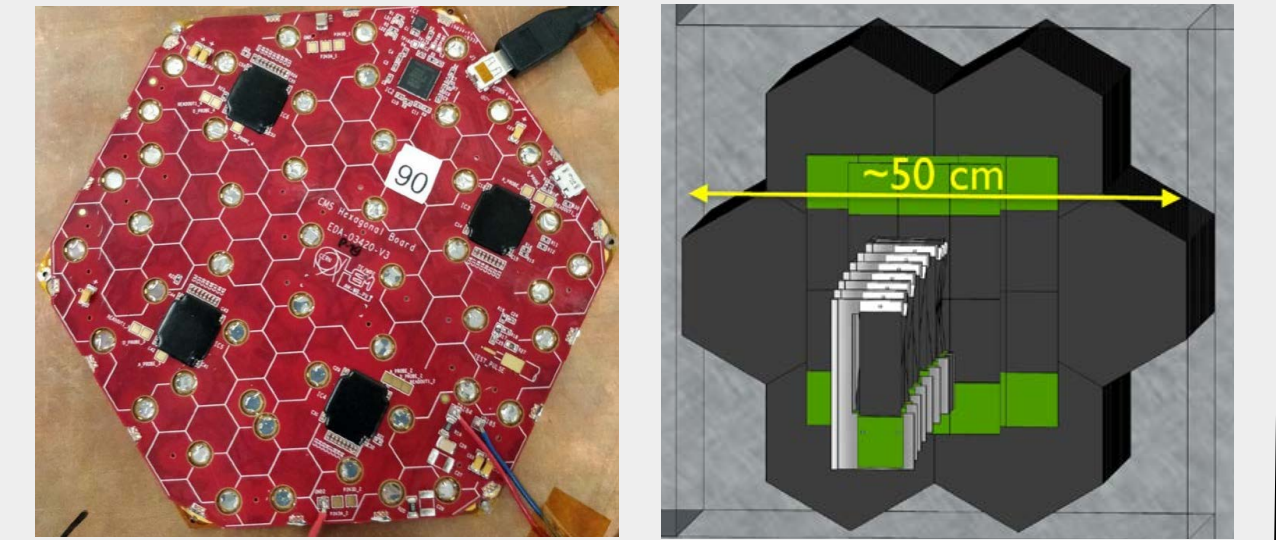
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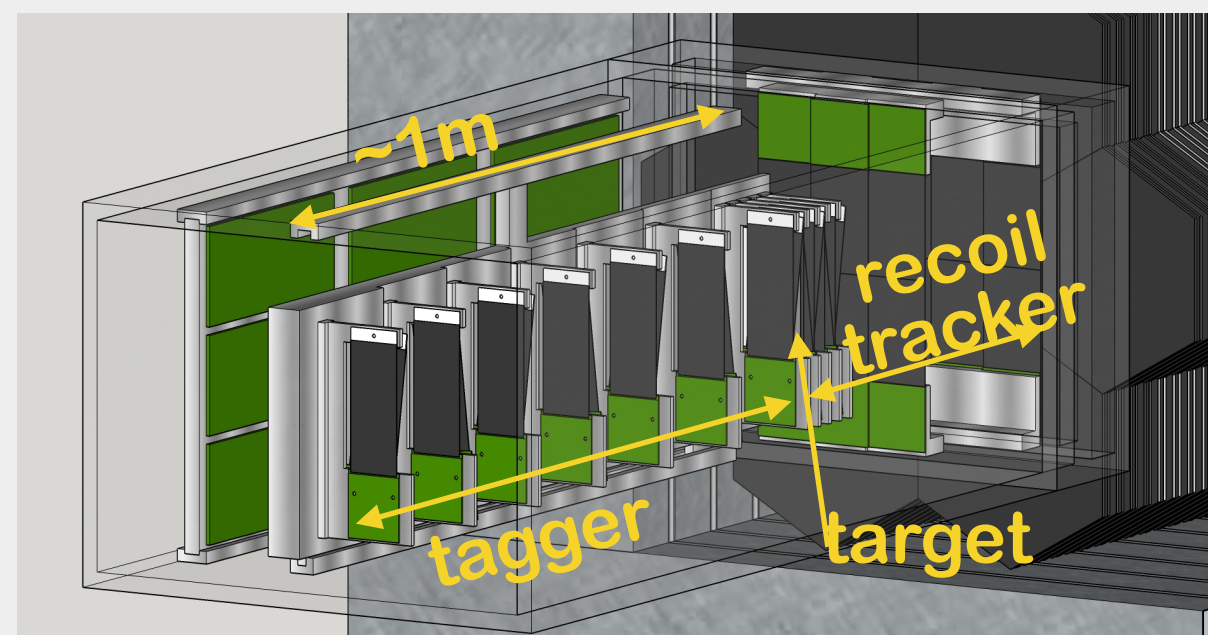
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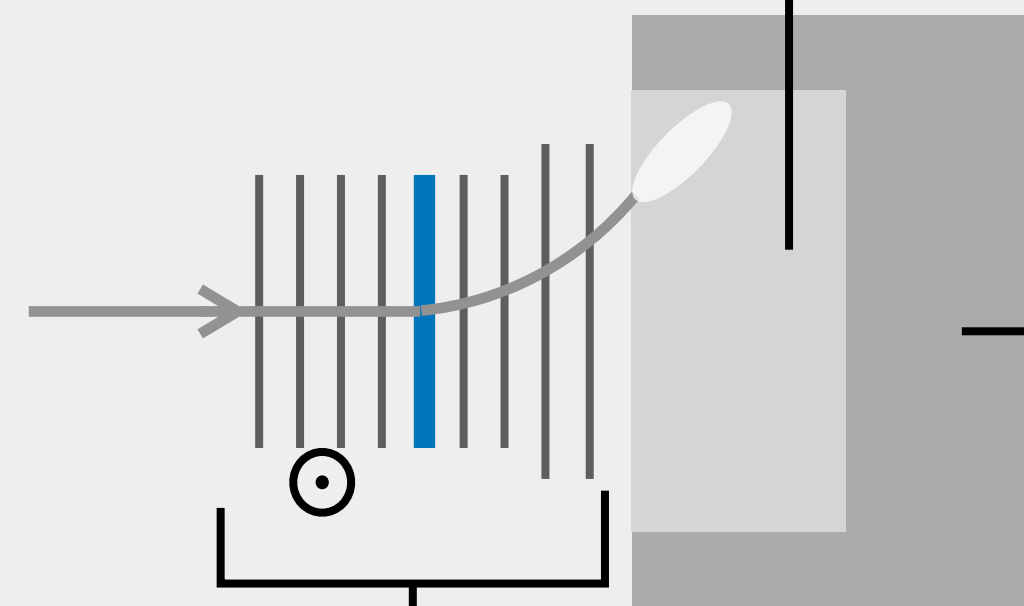
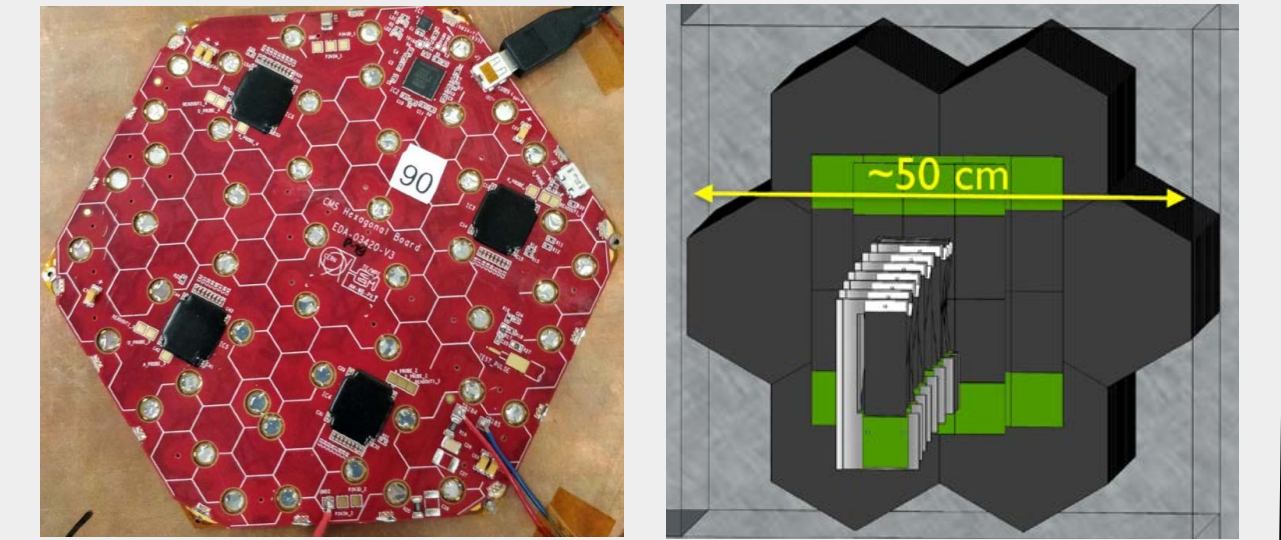
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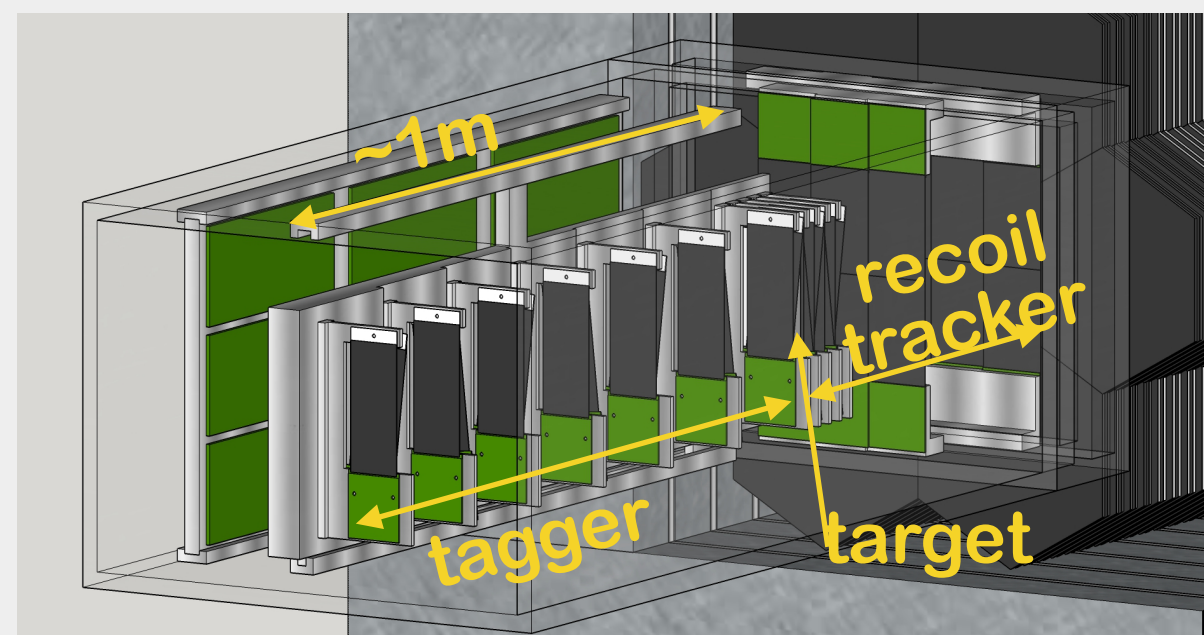
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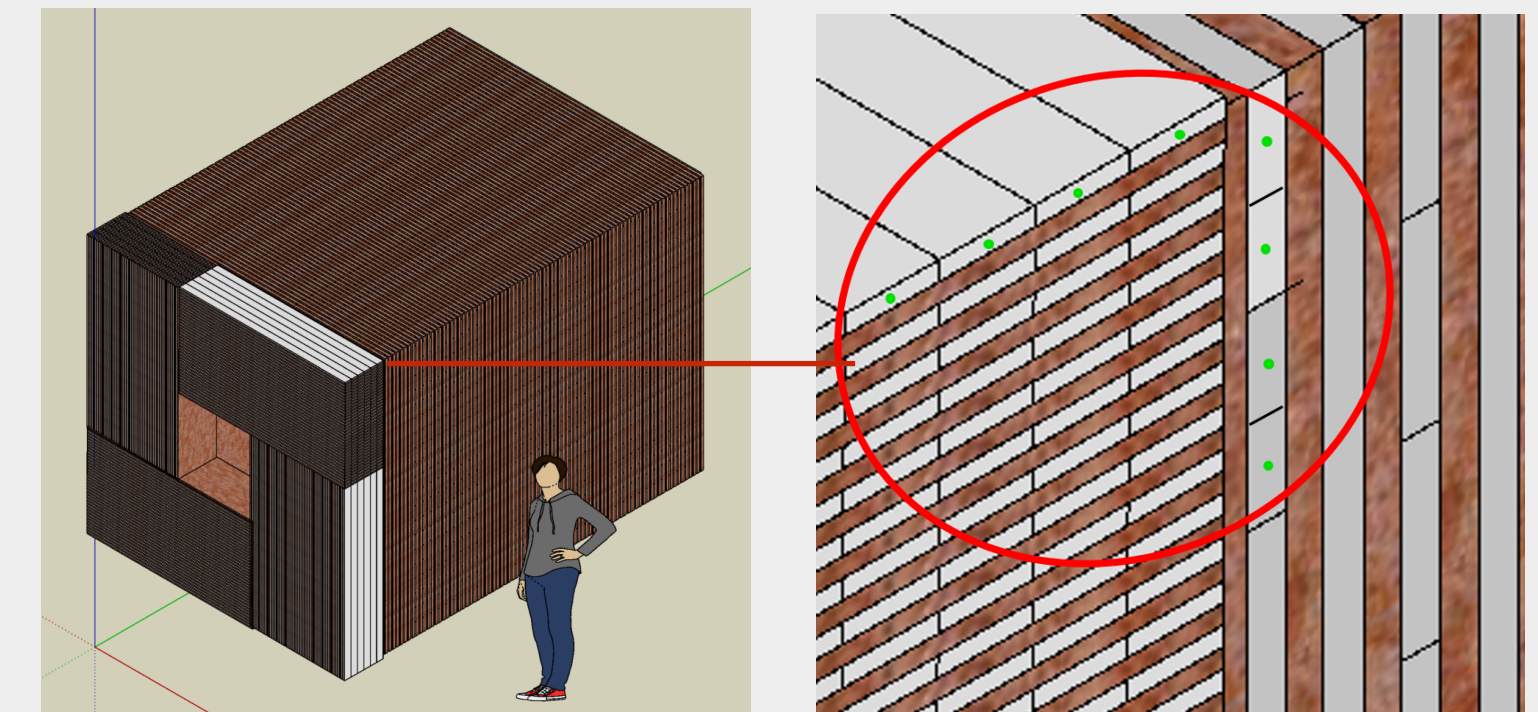


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HCal inspired by *Minos/Mu2e*

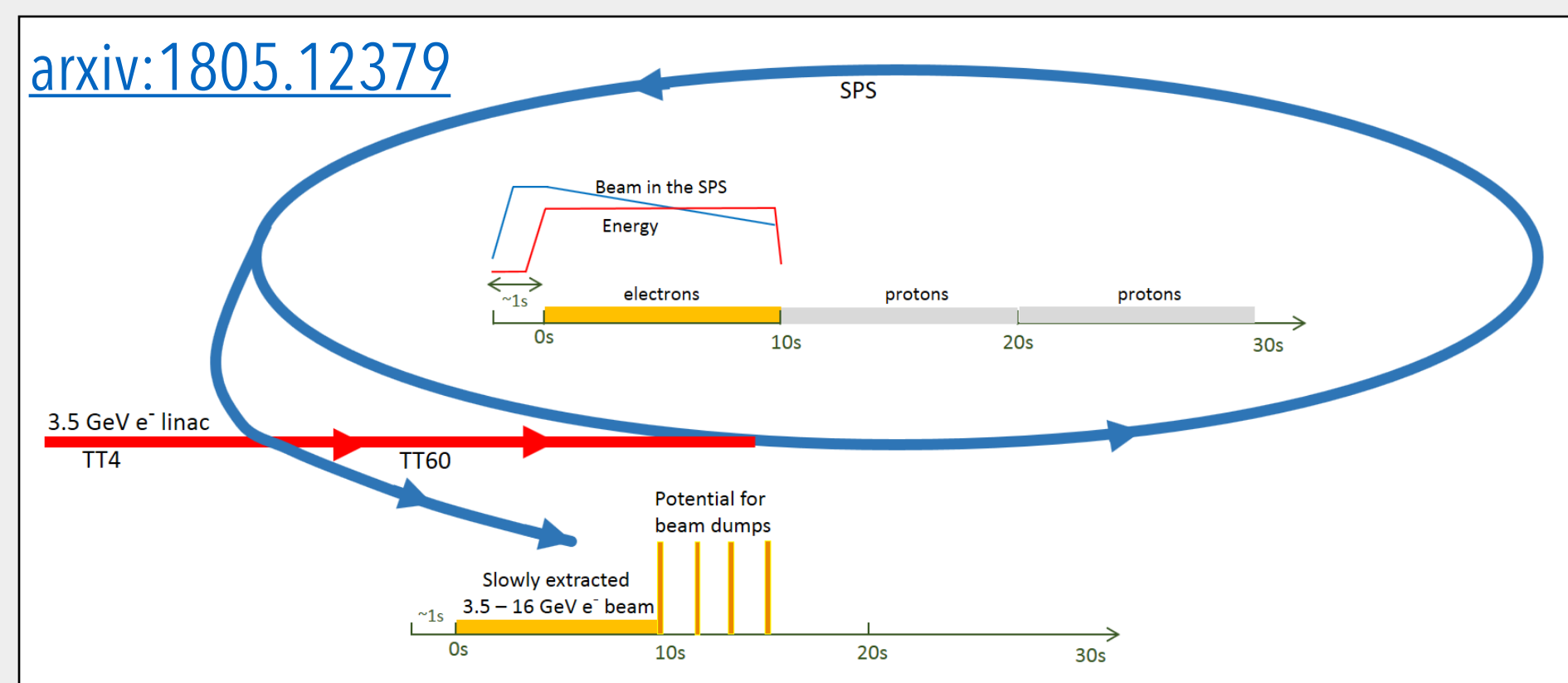
- plastic scintillator with steel absorber
- readout via WLS fibres
- **optimise for neutral hadron rejection**



Beam

options (neither approved yet)

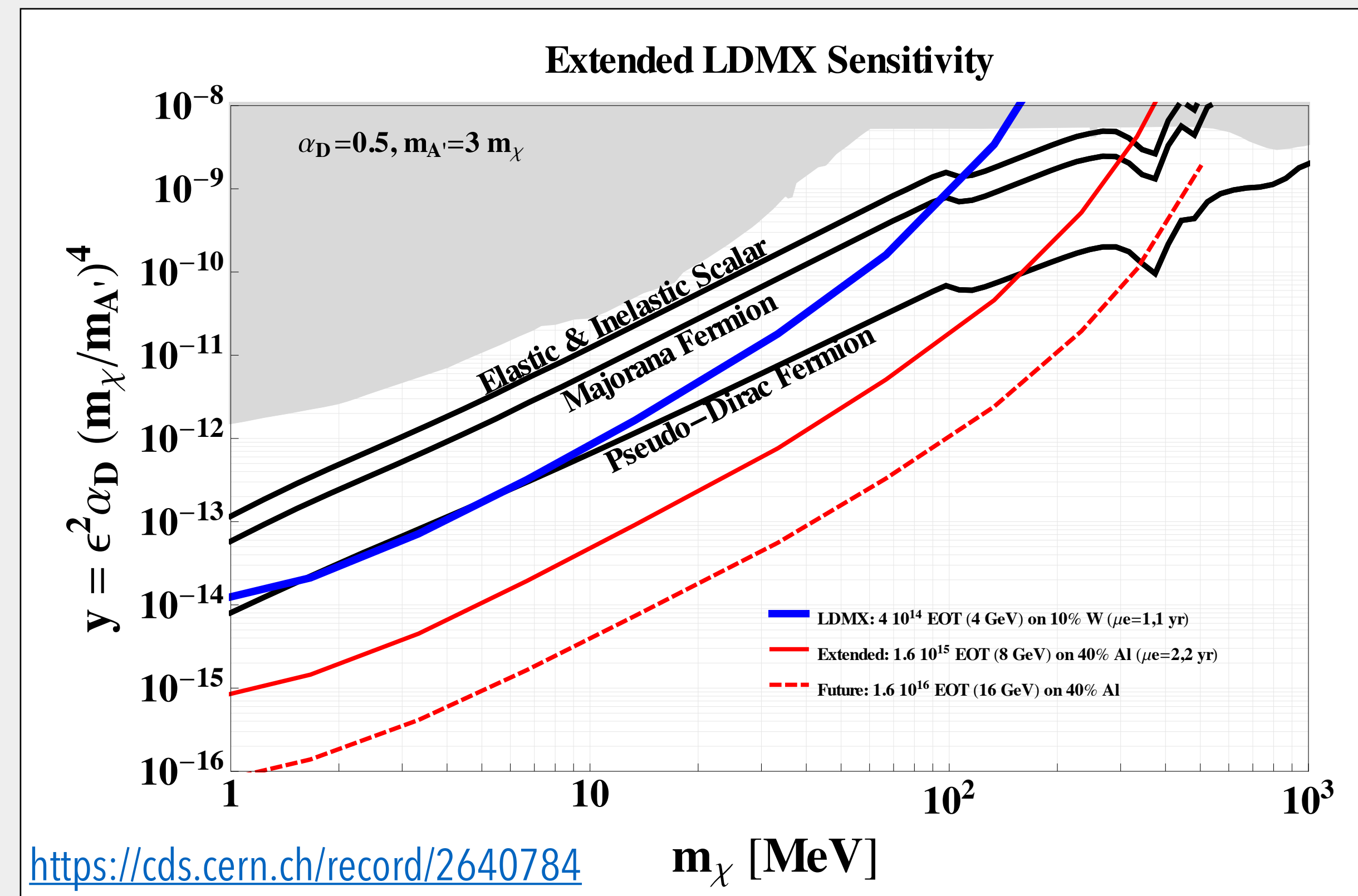
- dedicated transfer line at LCLS-II at **SLAC**
 - 4 GeV or maximum 8 GeV, parasitic
- eSPS at **CERN** *see Mike Lamont's talk for details*
 - get e- back in CERN accelerators, next step for X-band linac developed for CLIC, accelerator R&D
 - **3.5 - 16 GeV**, flexible beam parameters
 - optimal catering



Expression of interest to SPSC in October 2018

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2640784>

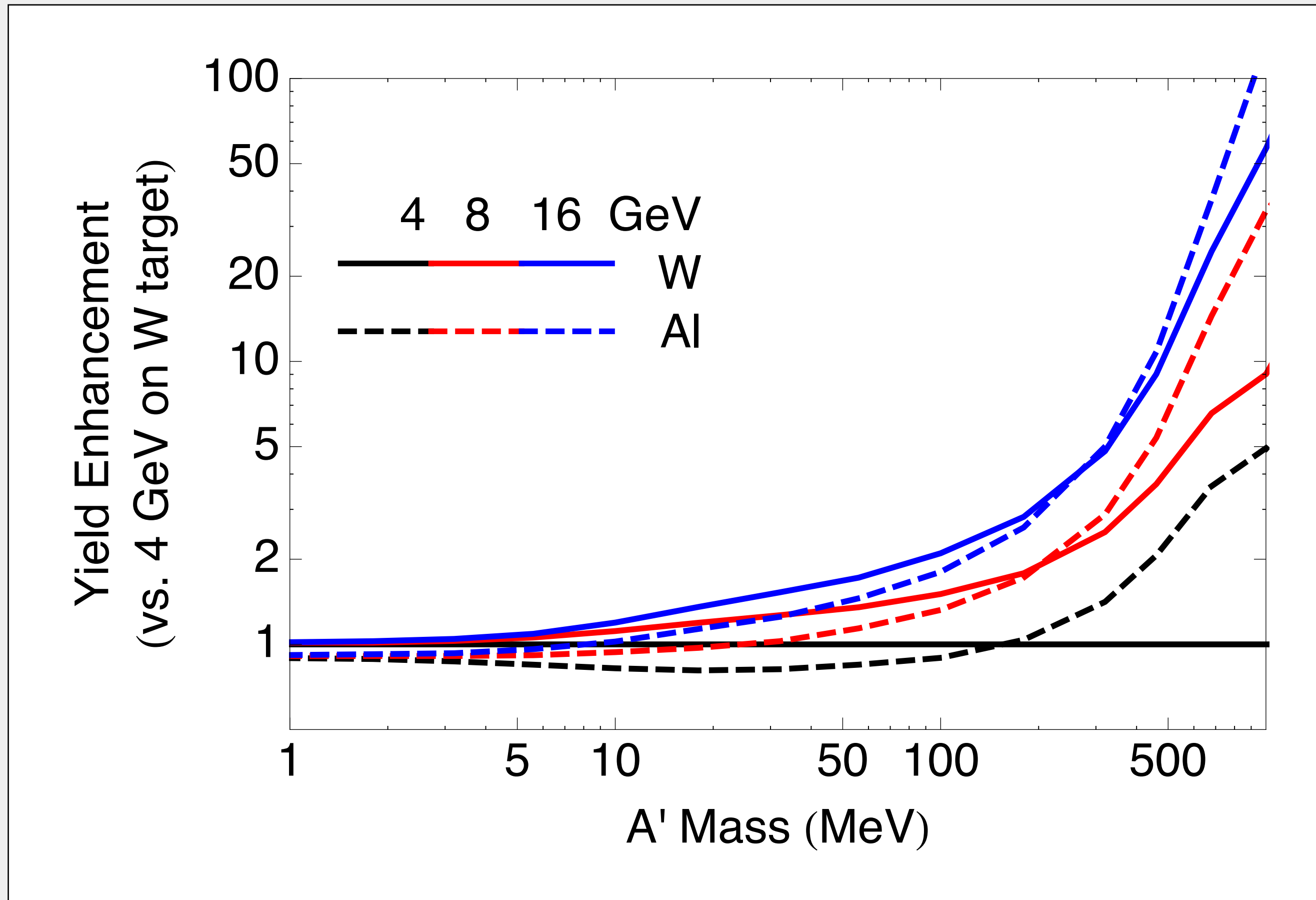
Input to Strategy Update ([#36](#))



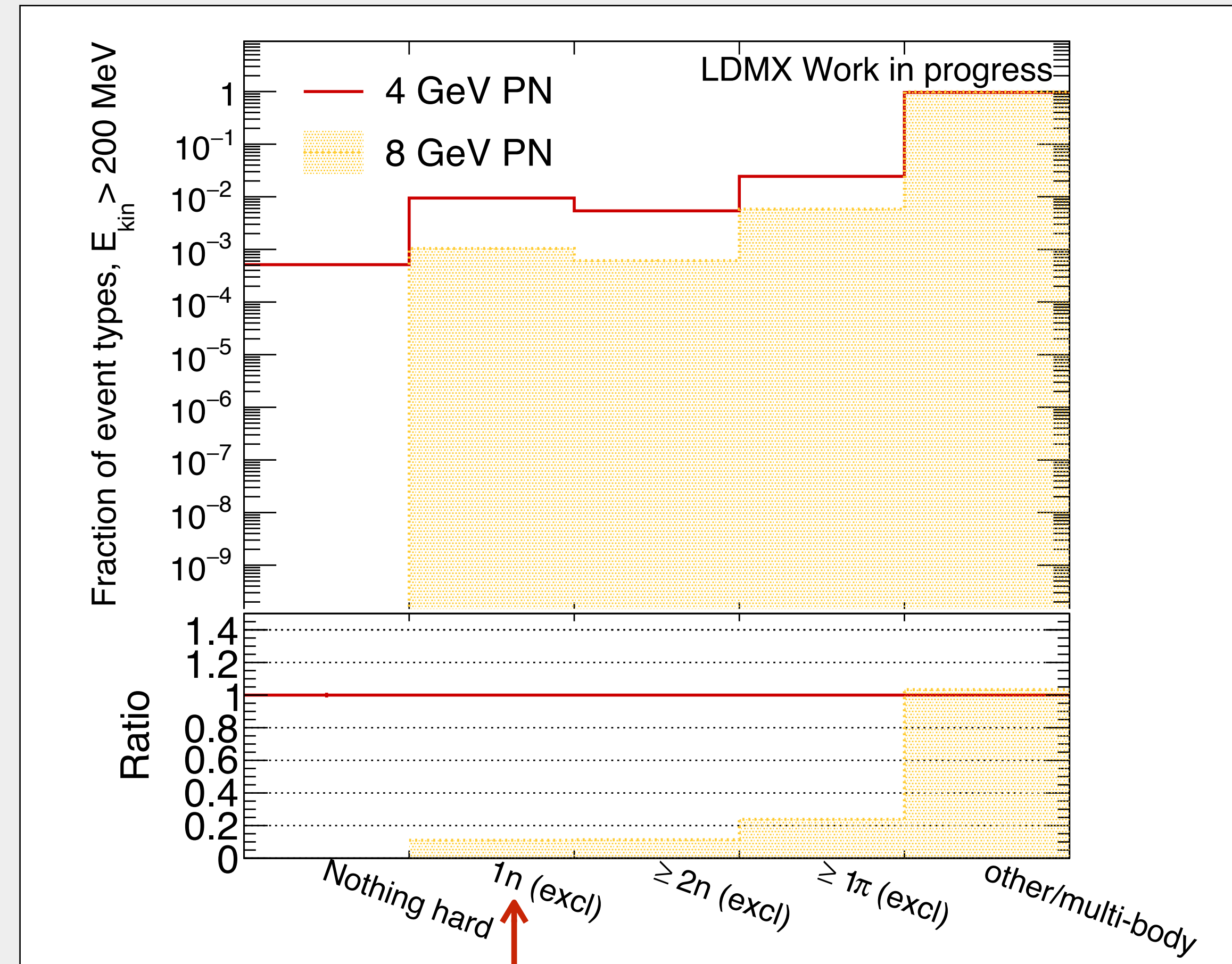
ideally: 2 experimental setups with reach beyond thermal targets
(full LDMX Collaboration involved in both)

Why higher energy?

increased in signal yield



improved background rejection possibilities



Preliminary Analysis Strategy

- trigger on missing energy
- + combine ECal features into a BDT
- + veto on activity in HCal
- + additional vetoes on activity in trackers/ECal front layer

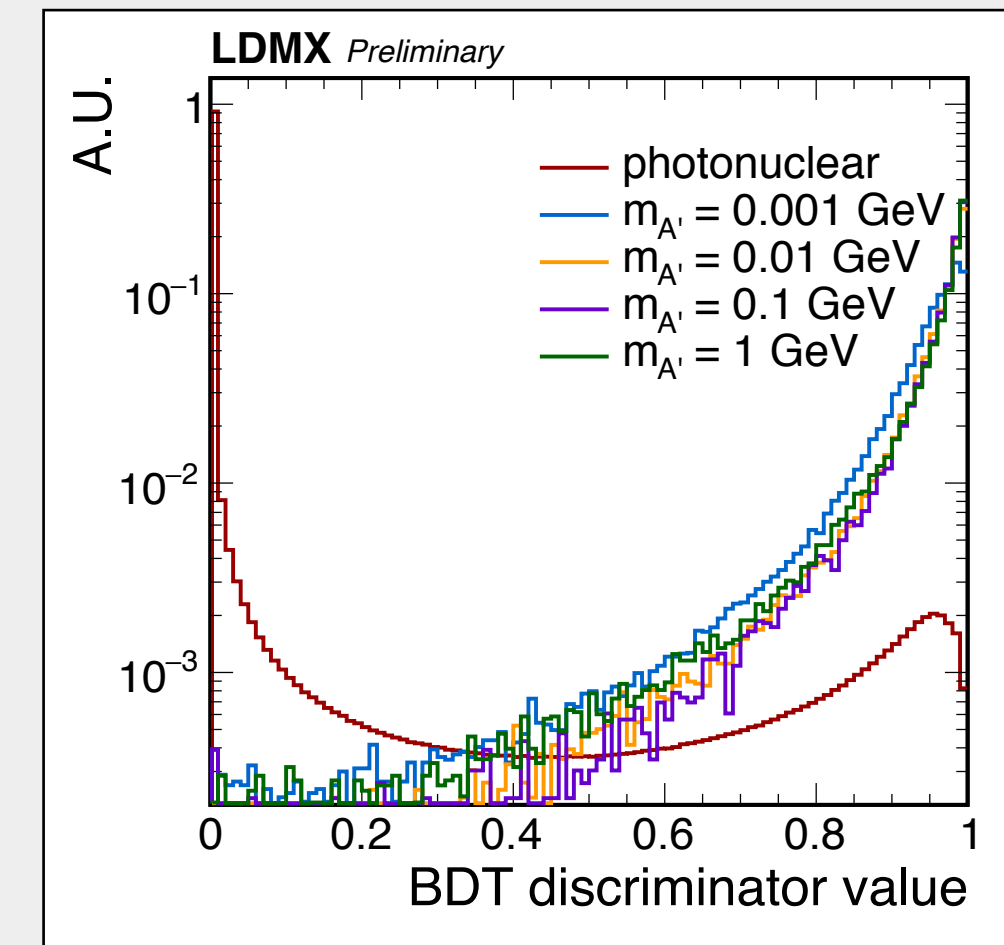
at 4 GeV: **close to 0-background** based on simulation studies

important:

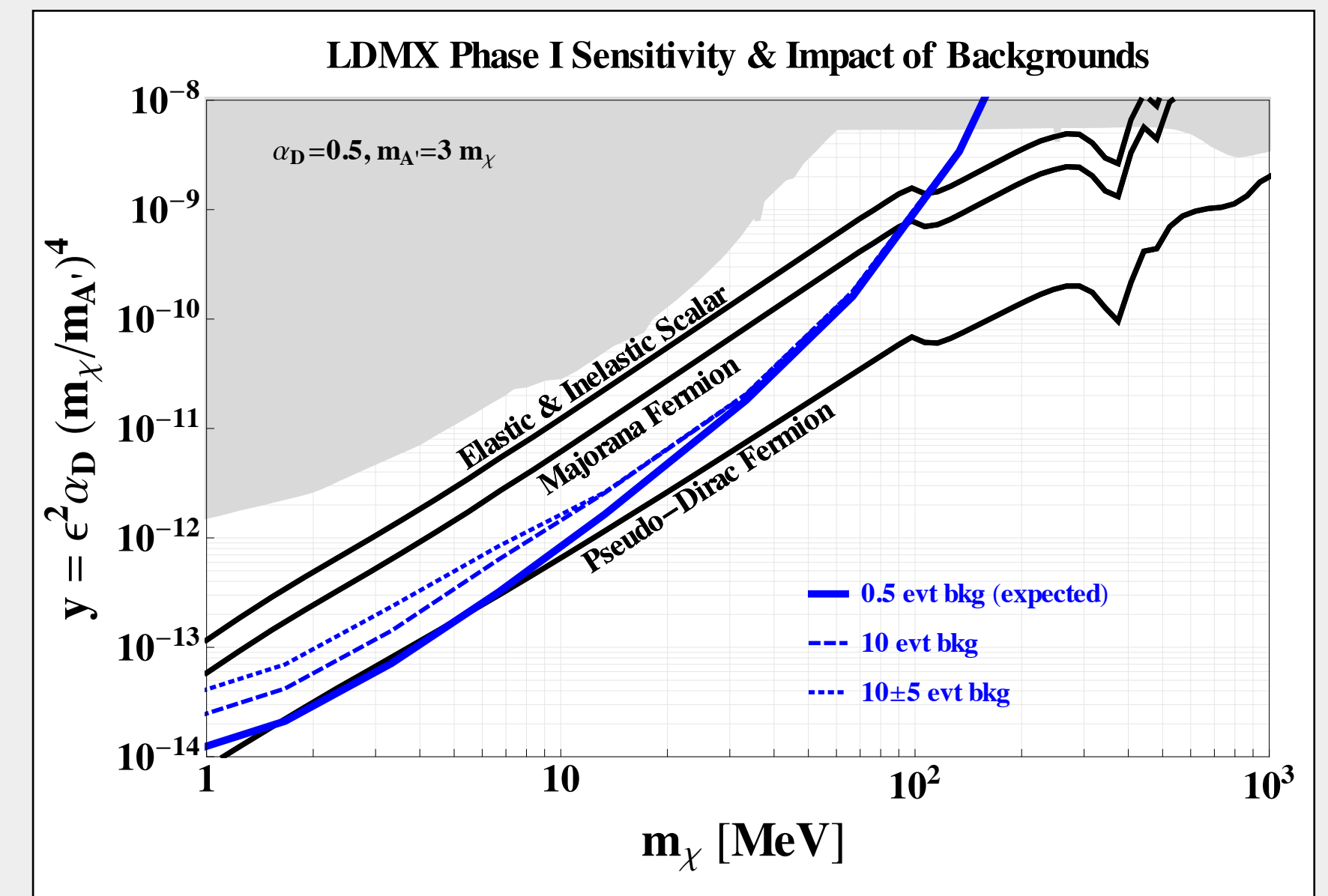
- several handles not exploited yet, in particular p_T !
- HCal optimisation ongoing
- things get easier at higher energy!

with data:

- redundancy in vetoes \rightarrow data control samples, verify rejection
- comprehensive kinematic information \rightarrow establish signal-likeness



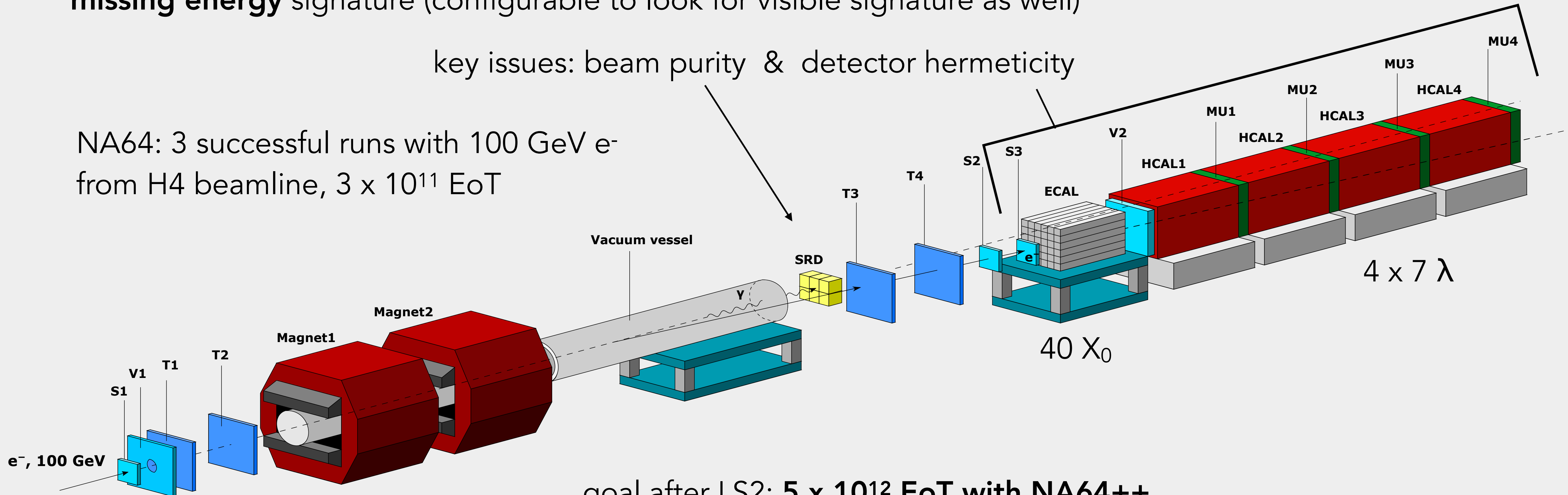
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missing energy signature (configurable to look for visible signature as well)

key issues: beam purity & detector hermeticity

NA64: 3 successful runs with 100 GeV e^- from H4 beamline, 3×10^{11} EoT



goal after LS2: **5×10^{12} EoT with NA64++**

planned upgrades to detector/DAQ to circumvent pile-up limitations

in addition: extend Dark Photon search to muon beams (g-2, Dark Sector)

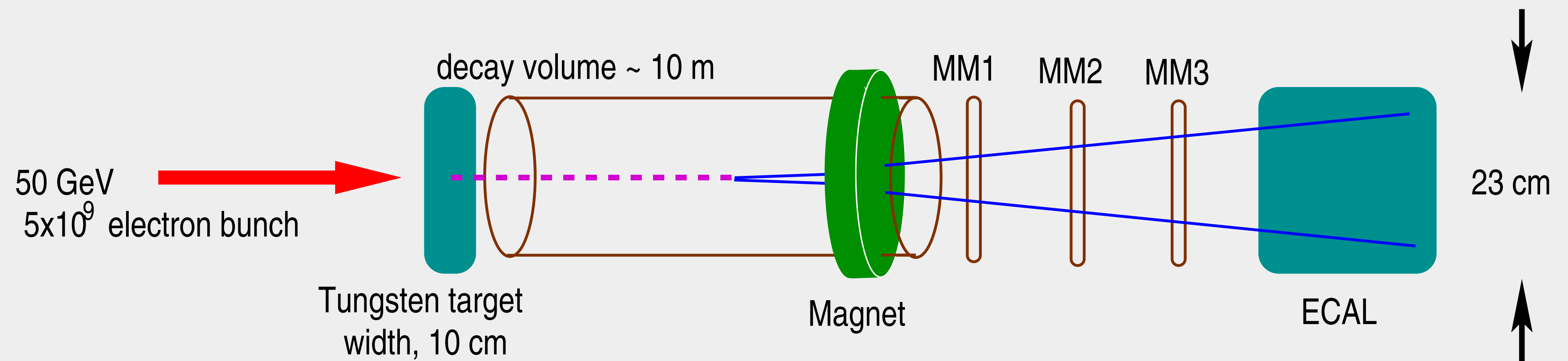
[CERN-SPSC-2018-024 ; SPSC-P-348-ADD-3](#)

successful demonstration of AWAKE principle ~1 year ago <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-018-0485-4>

goal after LS2: demonstrate scalability of AWAKE concept by acceleration of e-beam to 5-10 GeV

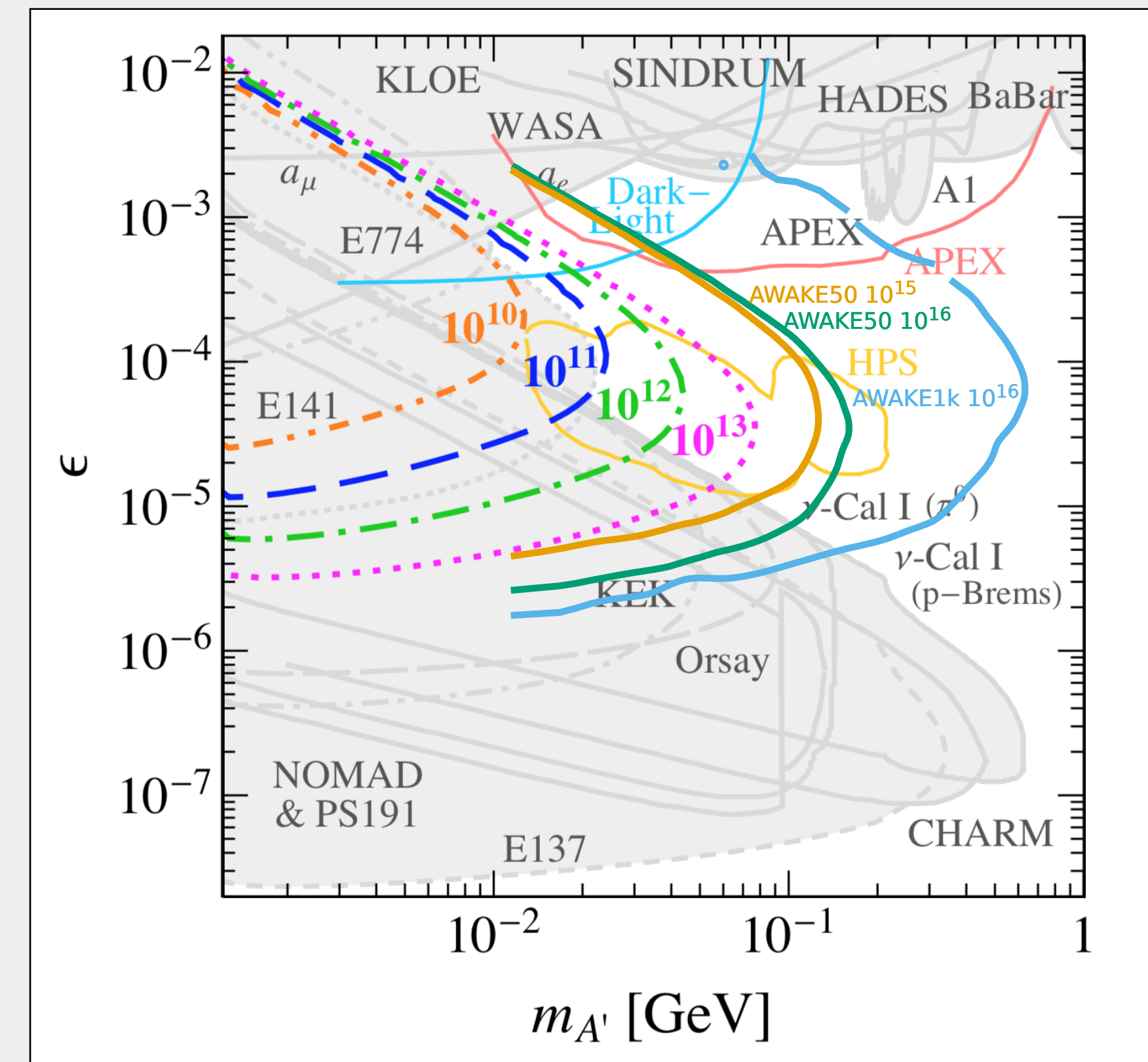
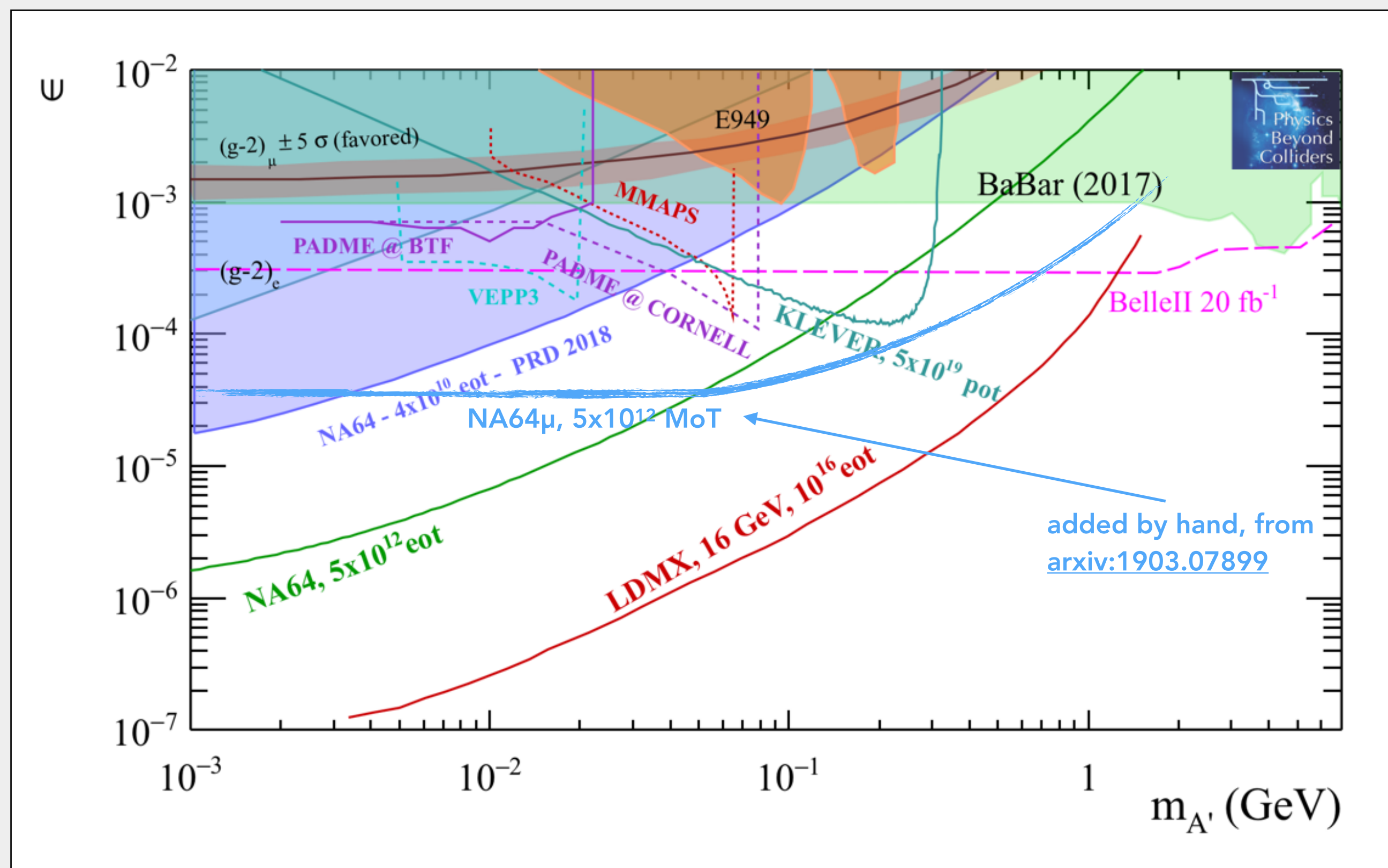
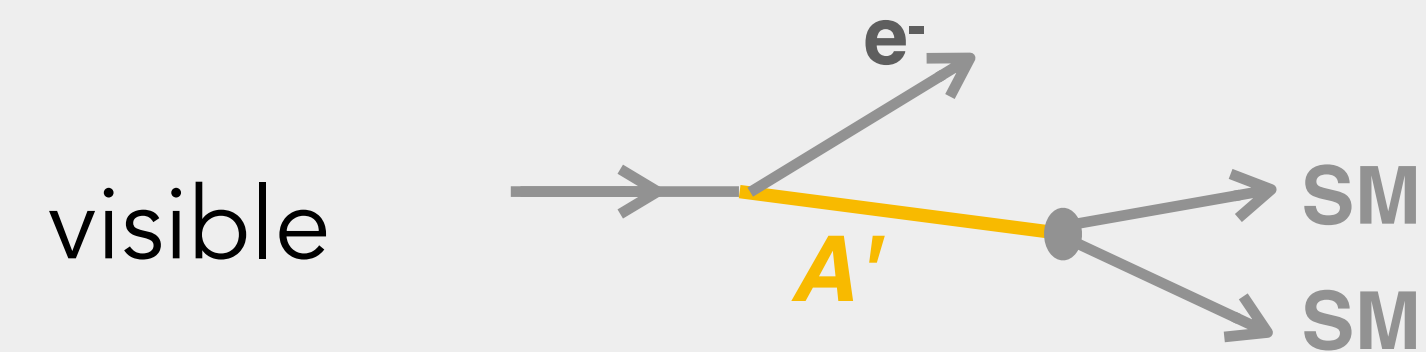
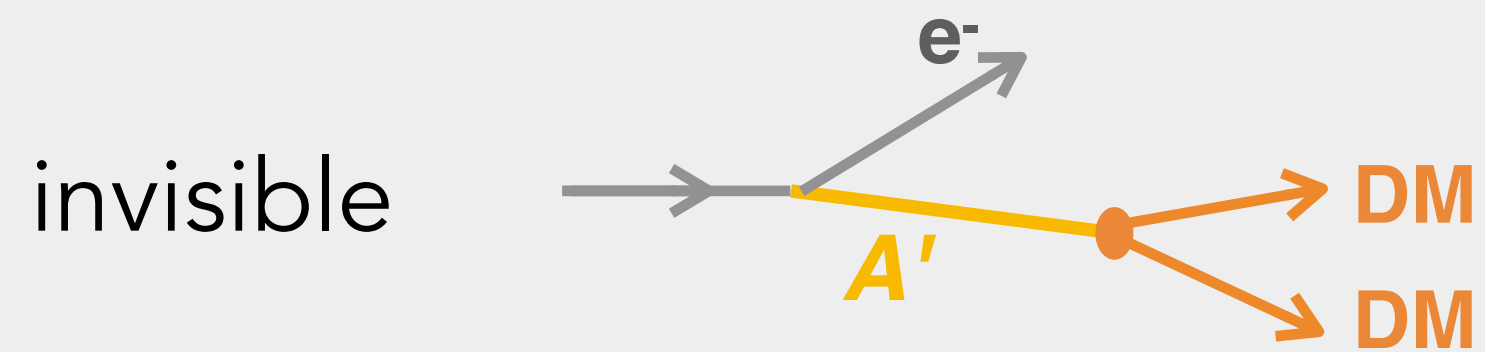
potential application of the concept: NA64-like experiment

visible configuration → can use high number of e-/bunch



energy of O(50) GeV, 5 x 10⁹ e/bunch, 10¹⁶ EoT integrated luminosity in 12 weeks
(TeV energies with LHC as driver)

Benchmark Sensitivities (Examples)



further sensitivity estimates in backup (and other talks, PBC report)

Summary

lepton-beam fixed-target experiments explore important **new parameter space**

great opportunities possible at CERN within the next <10 years

LDMX benefits significantly from a beam as could be provided by eSPS

in particular in high mass range

extends reach in (coupling, mass)-plane far beyond other e-beam experiments

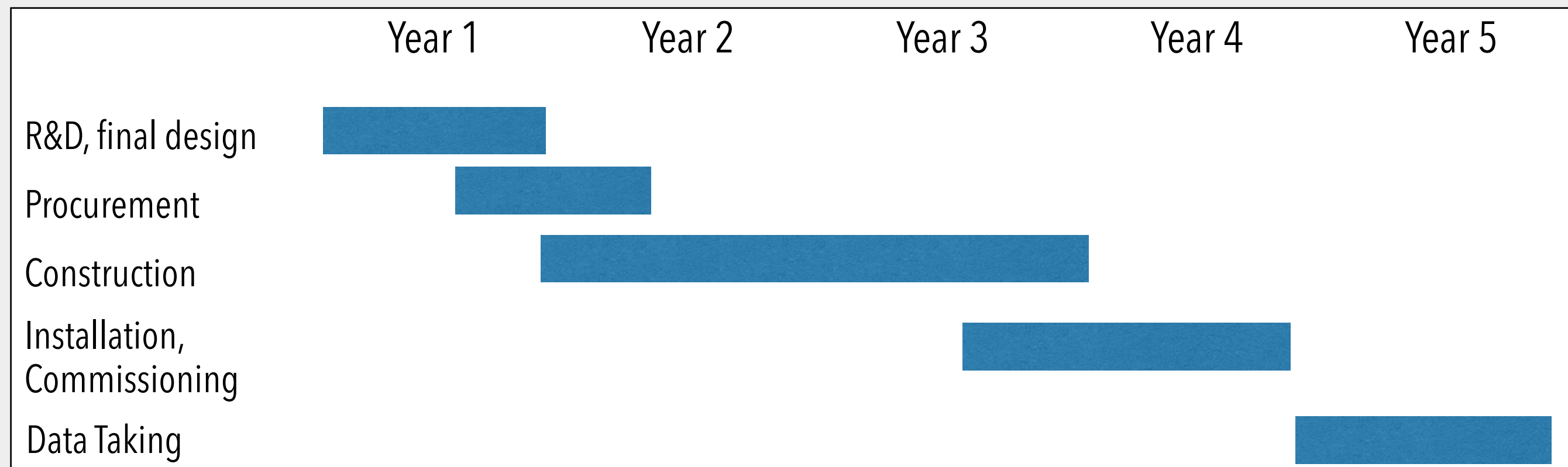
potential for NA64 to considerably extend its reach for invisible signatures

additional coverage in appearance mode with AWAKE++

Additional Material

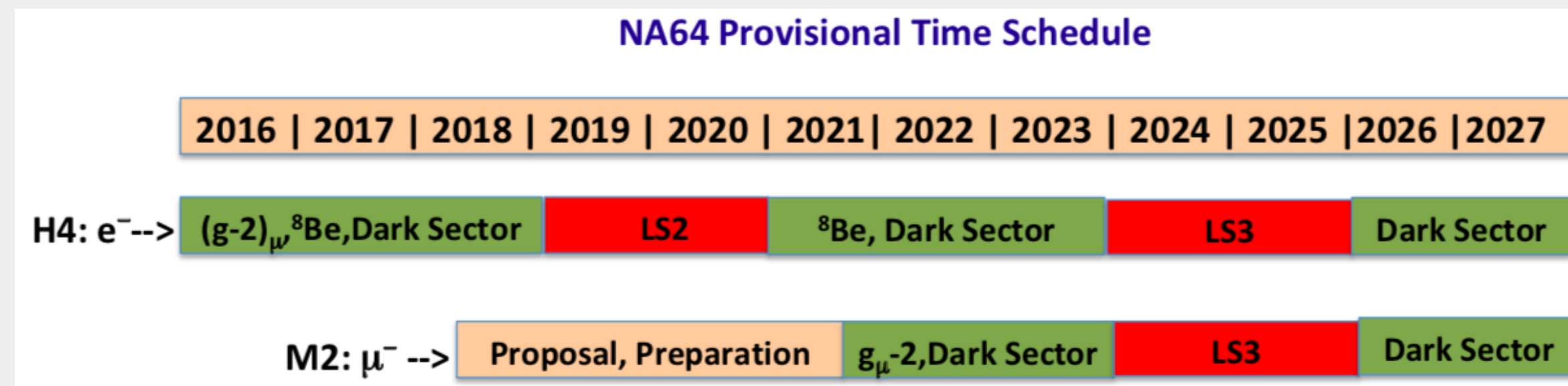
Timelines/Costs

LDMX



detector: ≤ 10 M CHF
(excluding computing)

NA64++



<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2300189>

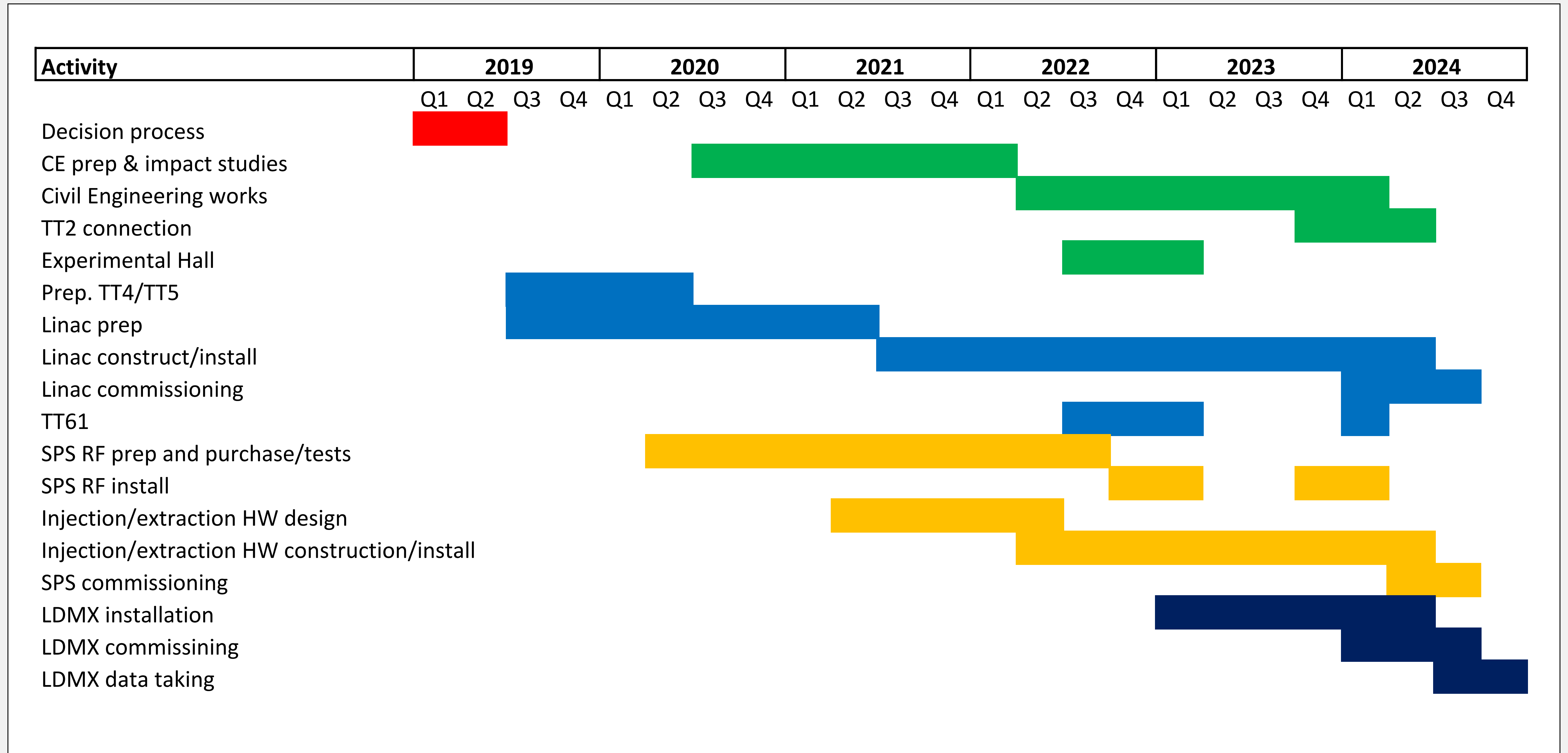
upgrade of NA64e: 671k CHF

NA64 μ : 1.1M CHF

AWAKE++

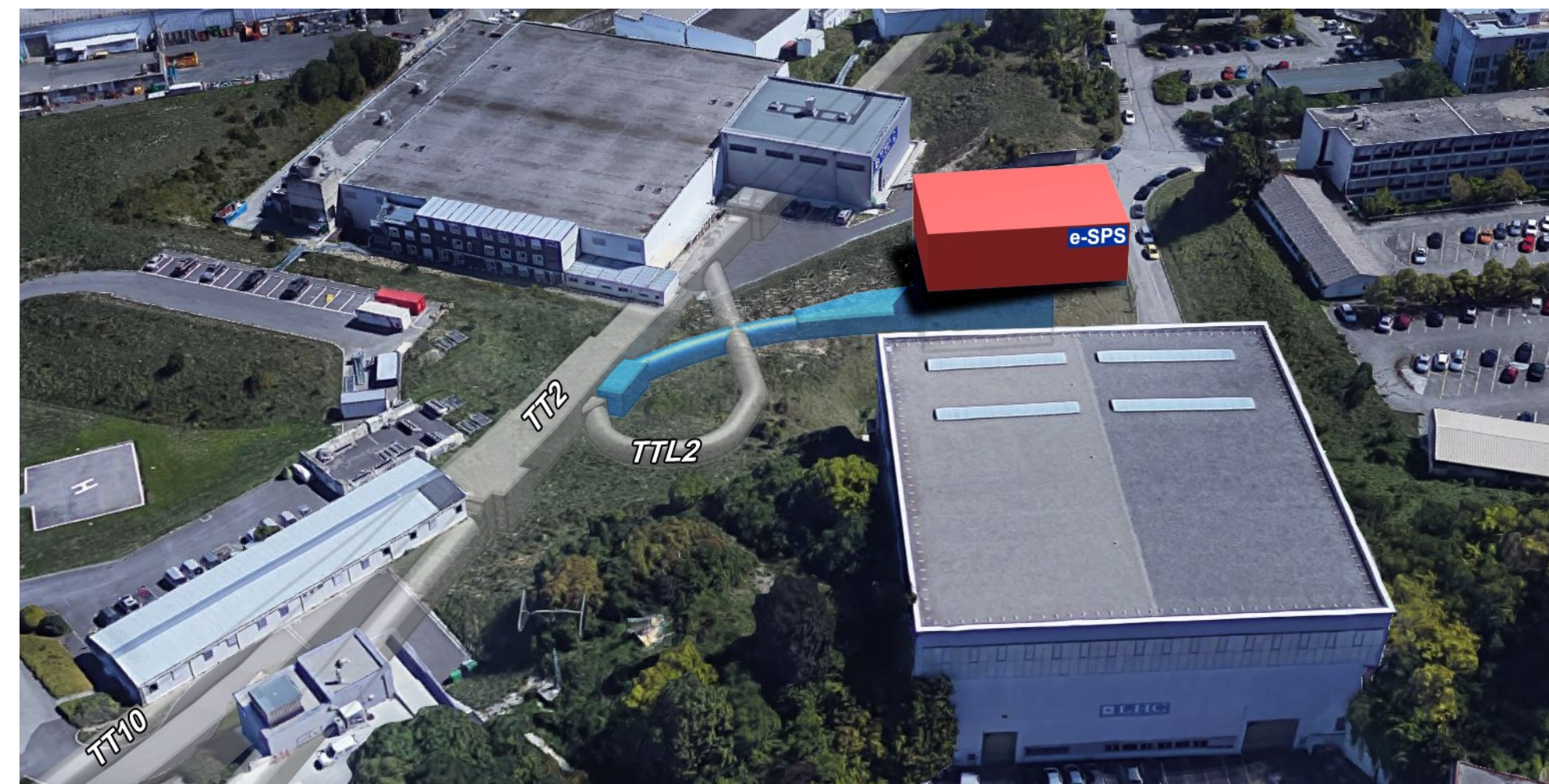
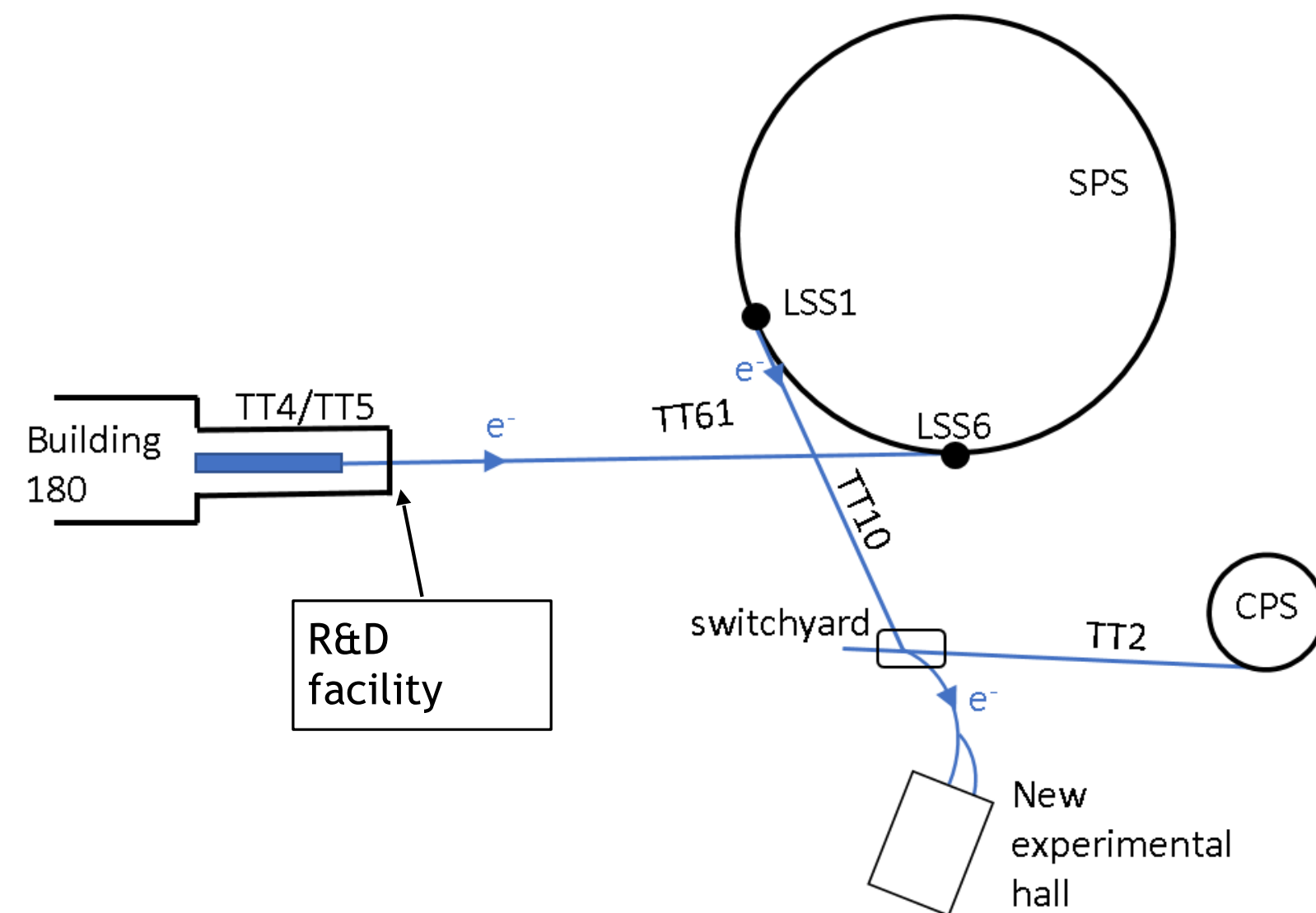
installation during LS3 the earliest

Possible eSPS Timeline



eSPS

- ~70 m long X-band based linac (CLIC technology) in TT4-5 accelerates e^- to 3.5 GeV
- SPS filled in 1 to 2 s via TT60
- Acceleration to 16 GeV in the SPS
- Slow resonant extraction down the TT10 transfer line in ~10 s
- Beam delivered via the existing TT10 line to the Meyrin site
- A new, short beamline would branch from TT10 to the experimental hall (LDMX)



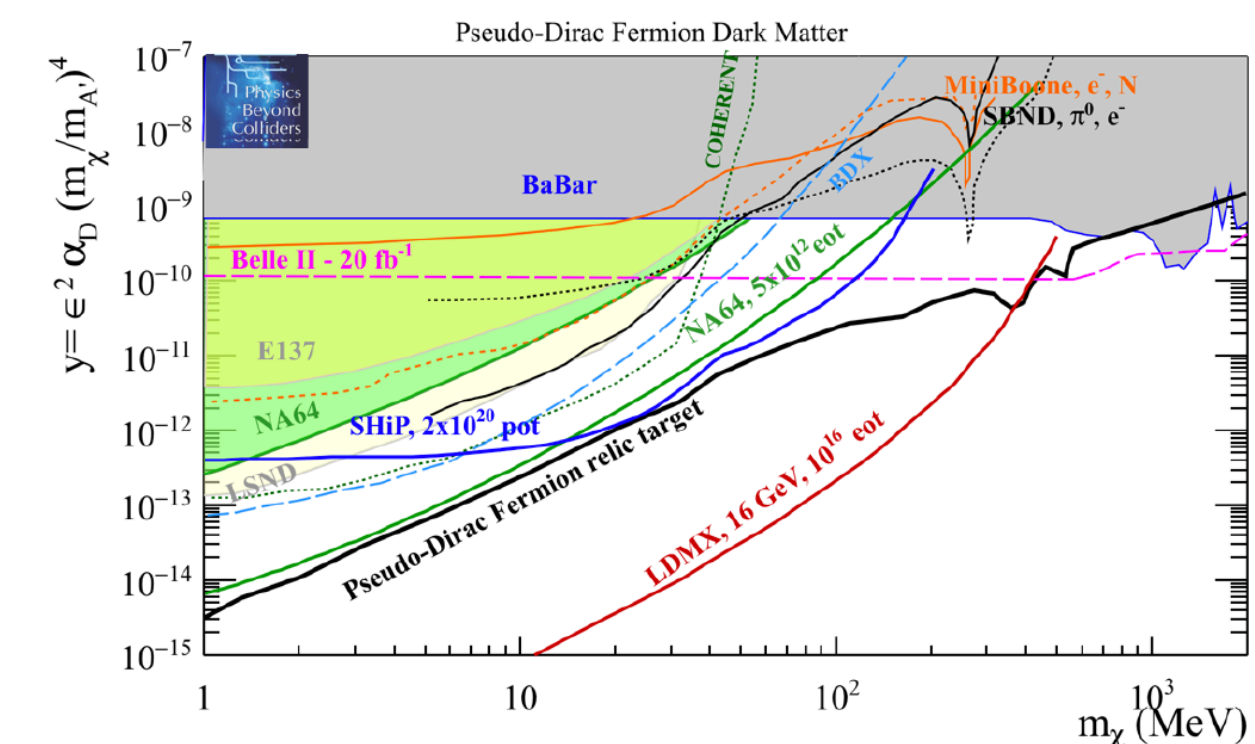
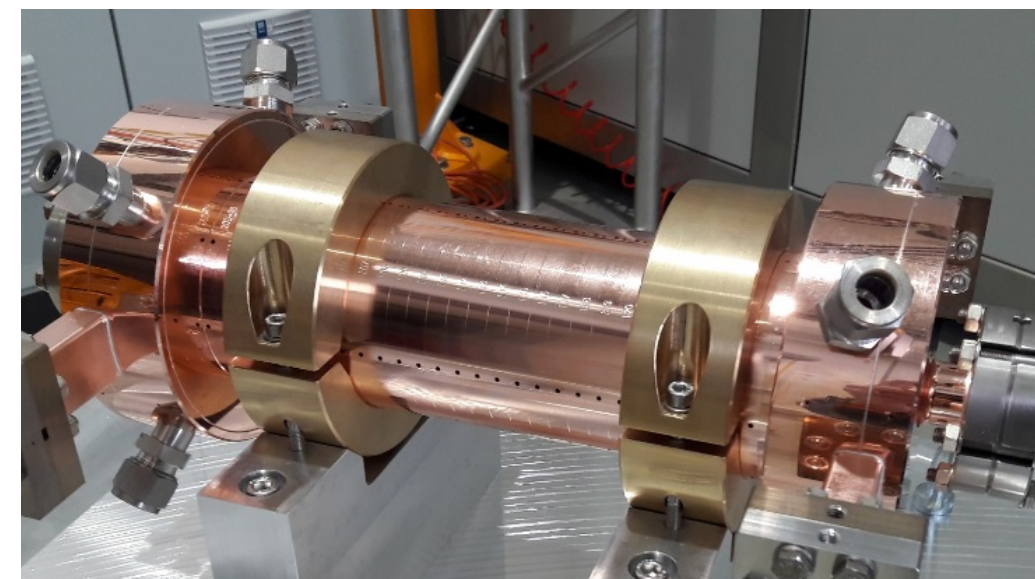
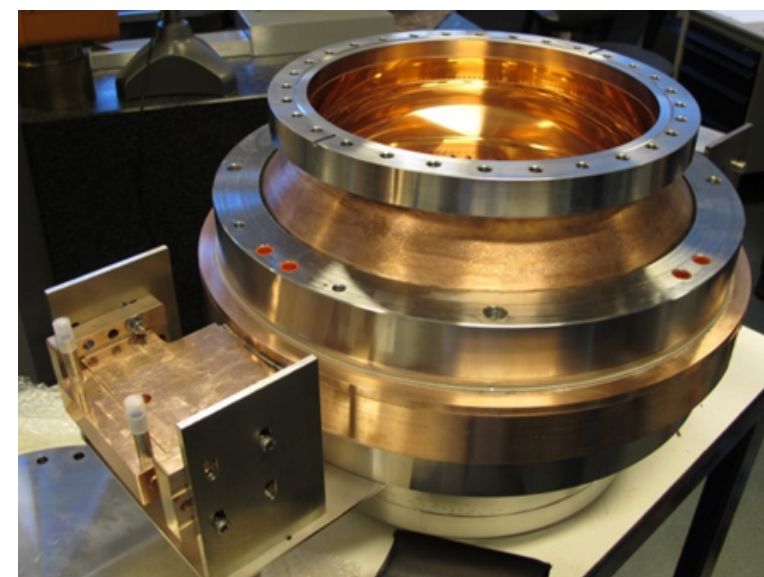
eSPS: Feasibility

- **Feasibility - following initial study looks good**
 - **Additional RF in SPS** to be studied (old LEP or FCC-ee cavities)
- Maximal use of existing structures, small foot print, and thus relatively inexpensive.
- **SPS cycle sharing implications**
 - ~12 s cycle, 10 s slow extraction giving $1e8 - 1e9$ EOT/s
- Material cost: ~80 MCHF

Well developed proposal:
“Dark Sector Physics with a Primary Electron Beam Facility at CERN” presented as EoI to SPSC

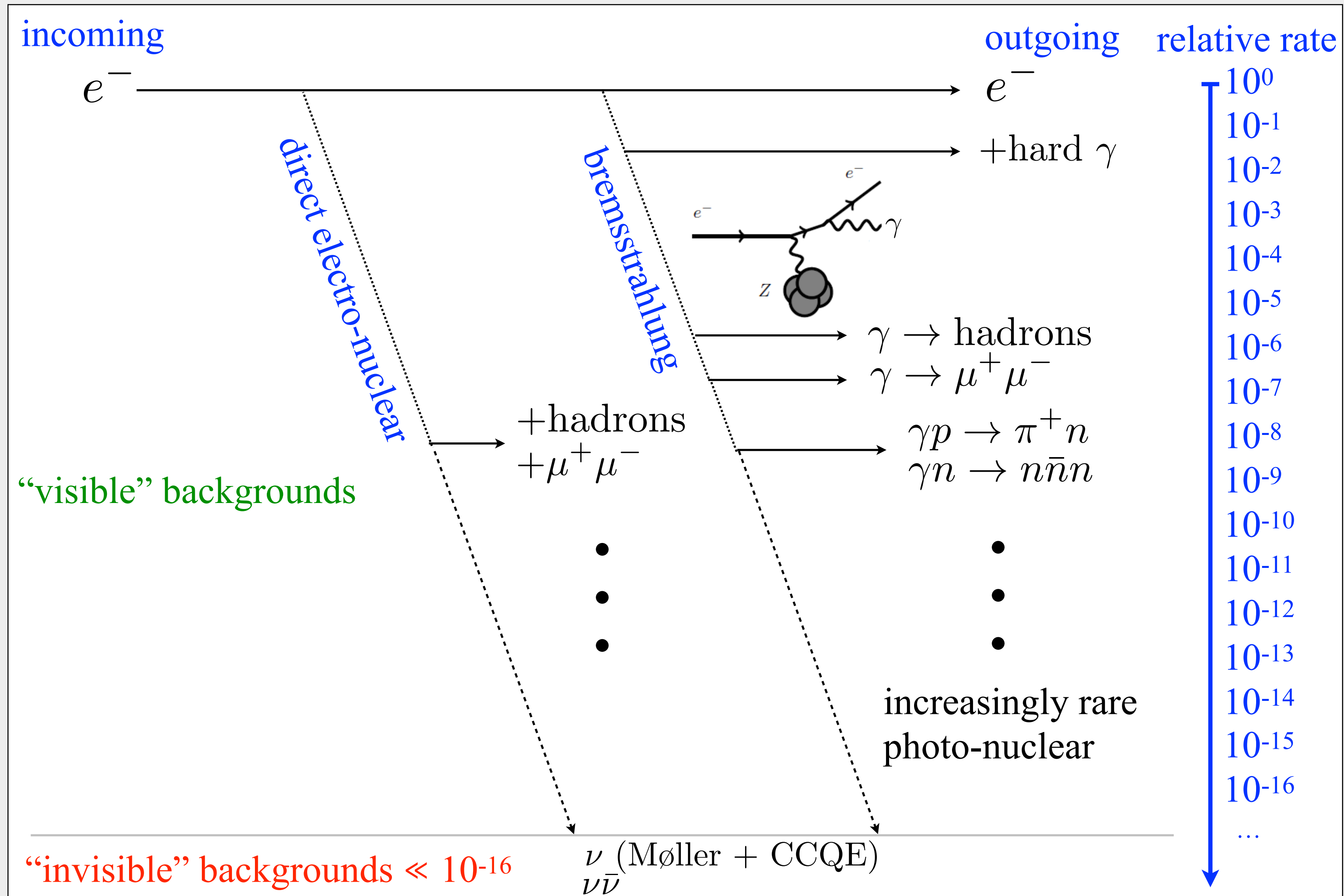
eSPS: Motivation

- **Electrons back in the complex** - good given CERN's apparent long term options
- **Staged deployment of X-band** - return on the significant investment
- Possible deployment of **FCC-ee RF cavities and high-efficiency power generation**
- Strong case made for **accelerator based R&D** and other studies at the linac R&D facility
- Physics case - **unique LDM search reach**

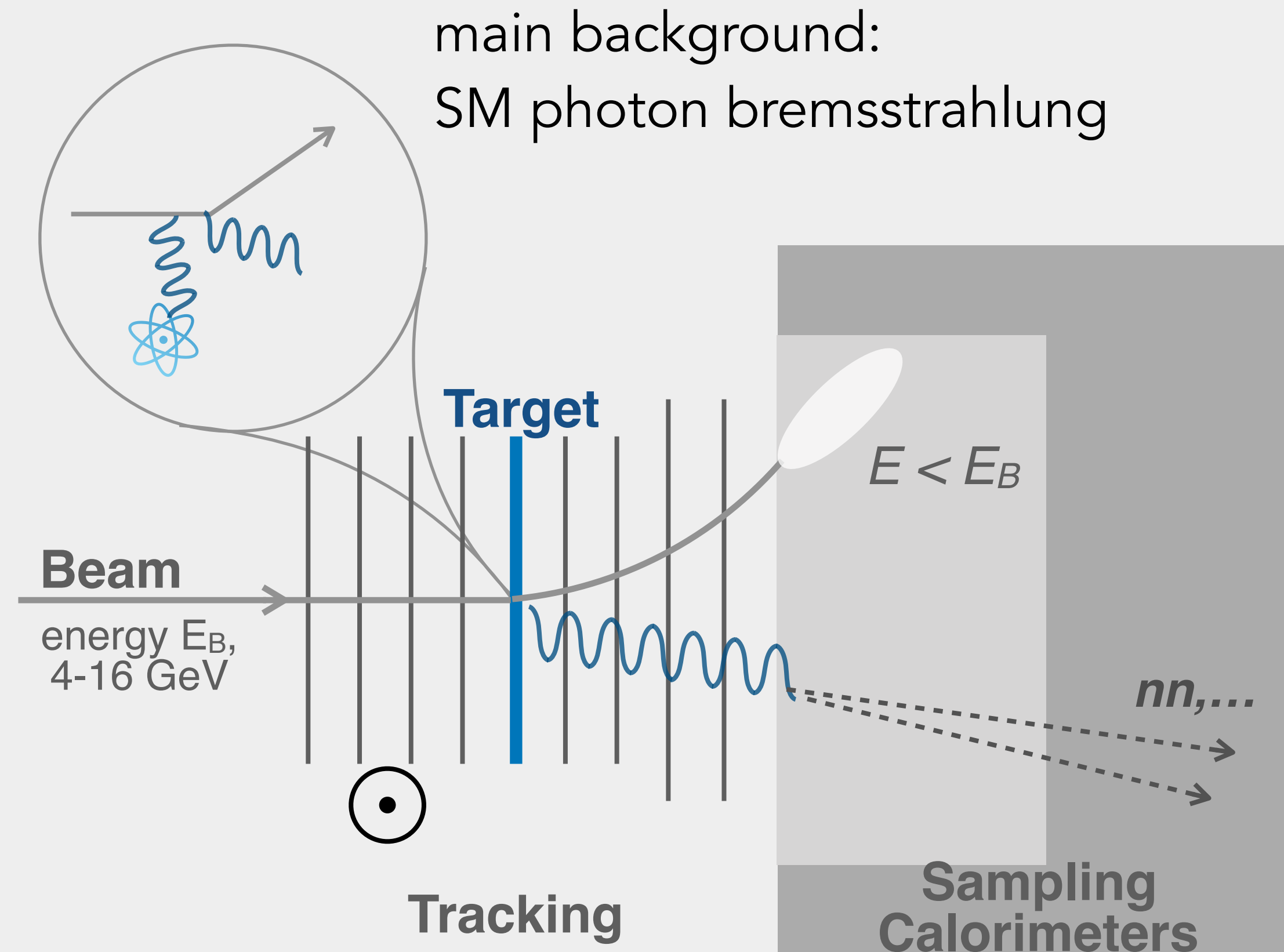


Preparing for future - staged deployment of FCC-ee/CLIC technology while preparing the long term strategic vision; at the same time performing a competitive LDM search - a game changer in the case of positive result and naturally important input to future plans.

Background Overview



Background Challenges



particularly challenging:

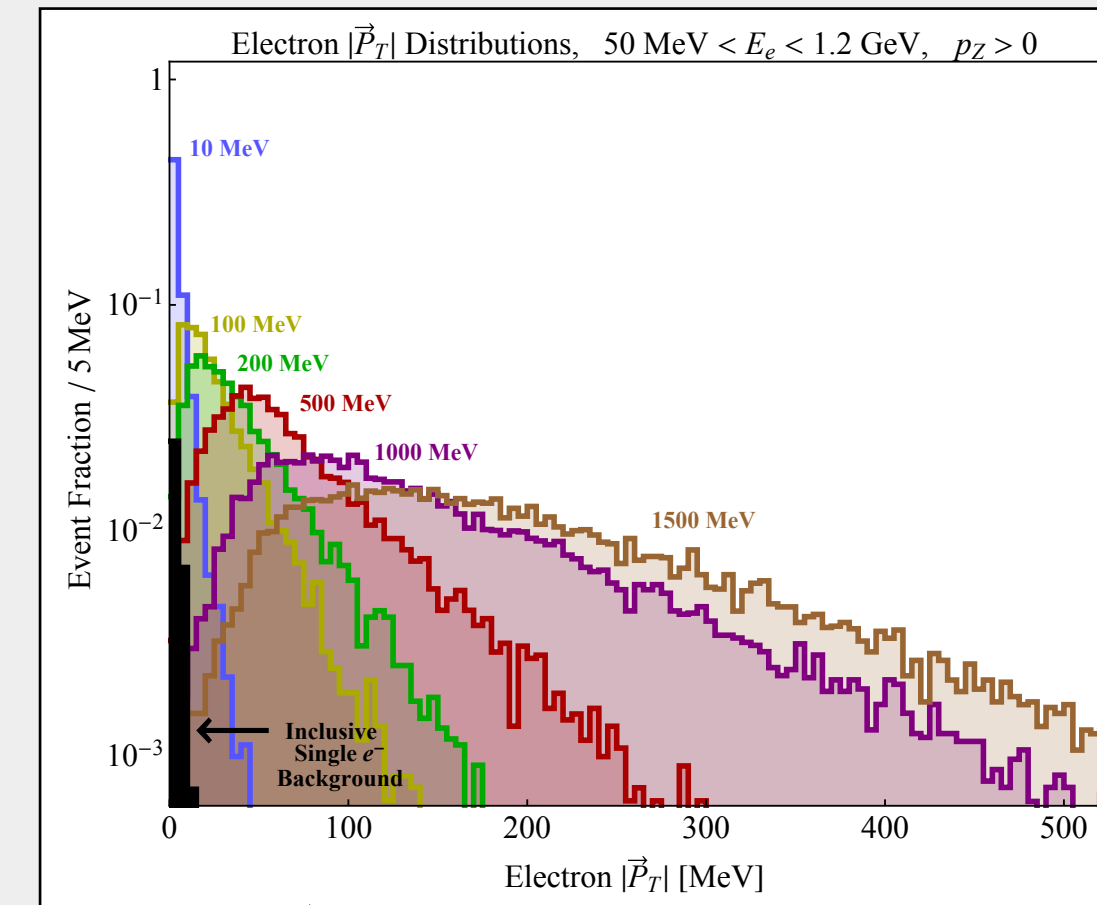
photo-nuclear reactions producing
neutral final states (relative rate: $\sim 10^{-9}$)

—> most design work currently on
HCal to optimise rejection power,
seeking funding for R&D/prototype
(testbeam 2020)

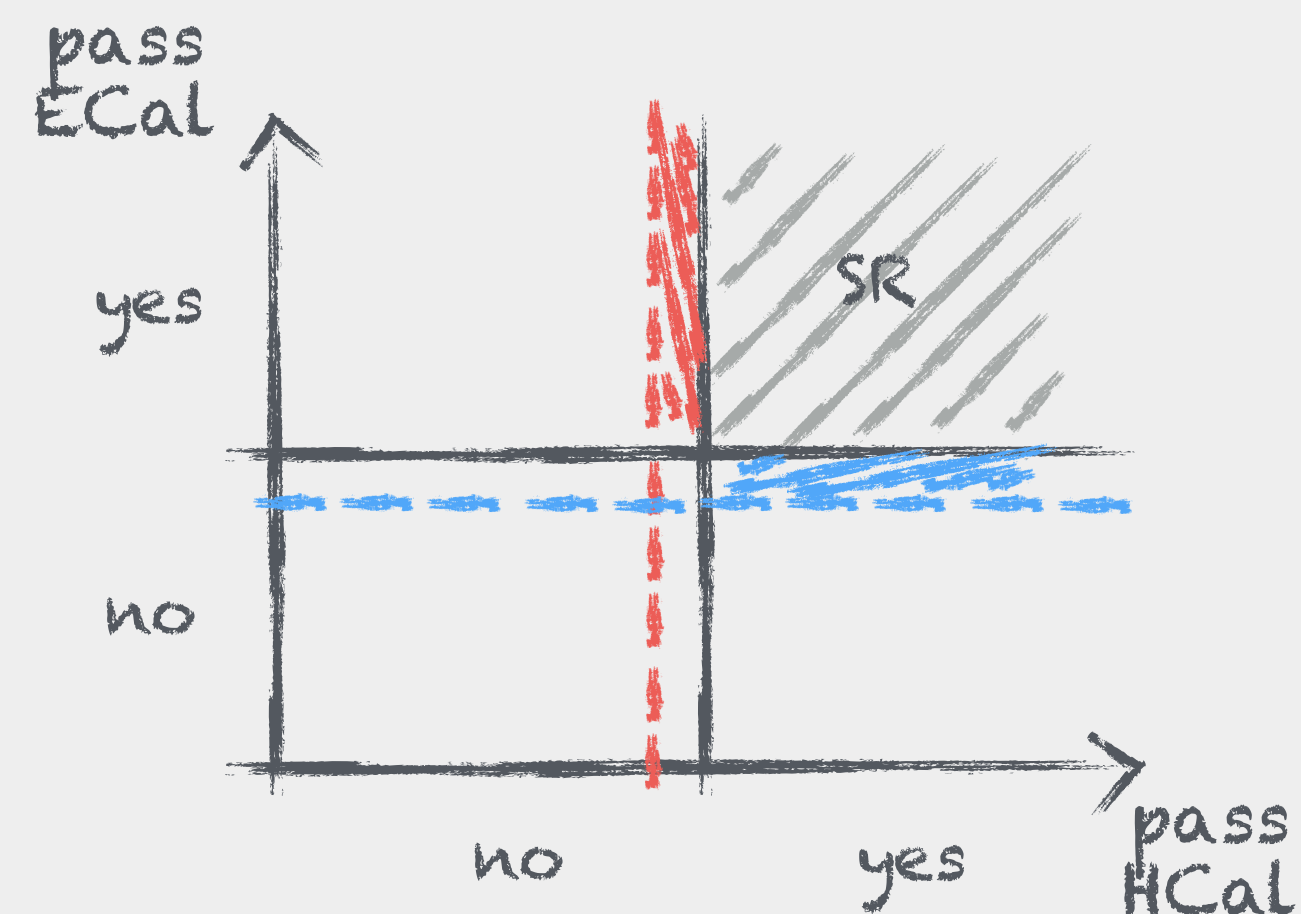
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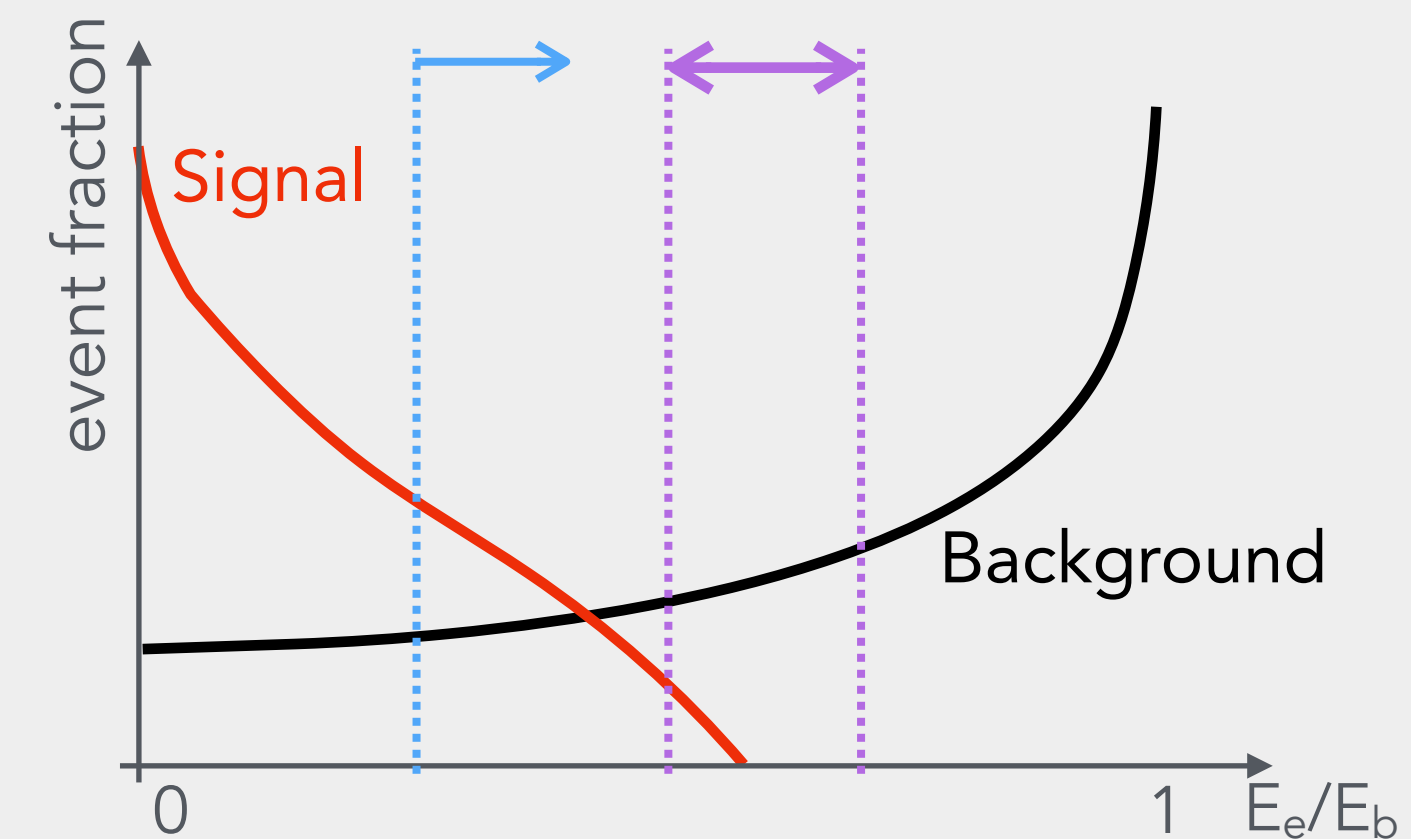
additional kinematic information (wrt missing energy only)
to investigate signal-likeness



test veto efficiency in control samples
(e.g. higher E_e or 'almost missed' by one detector)



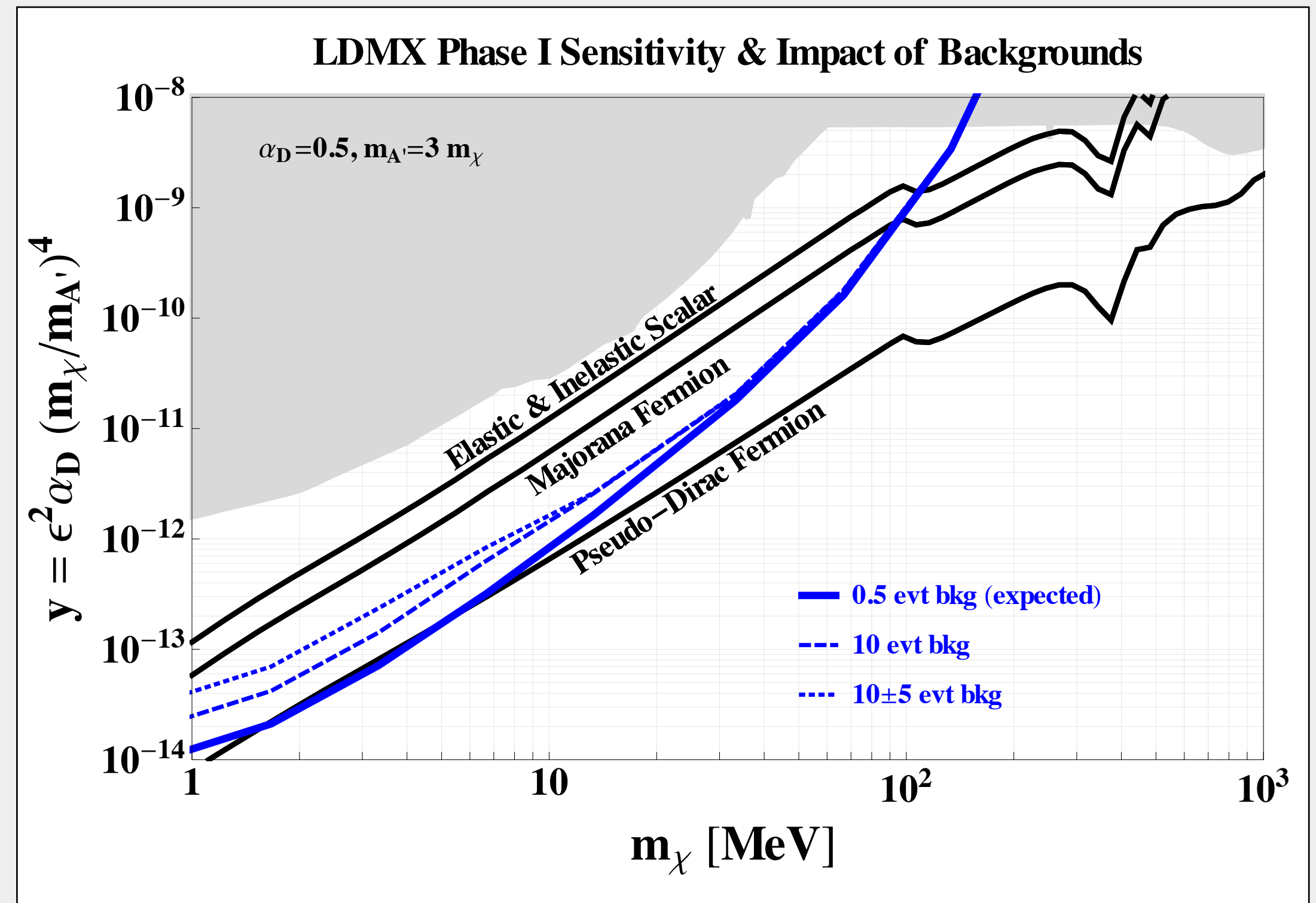
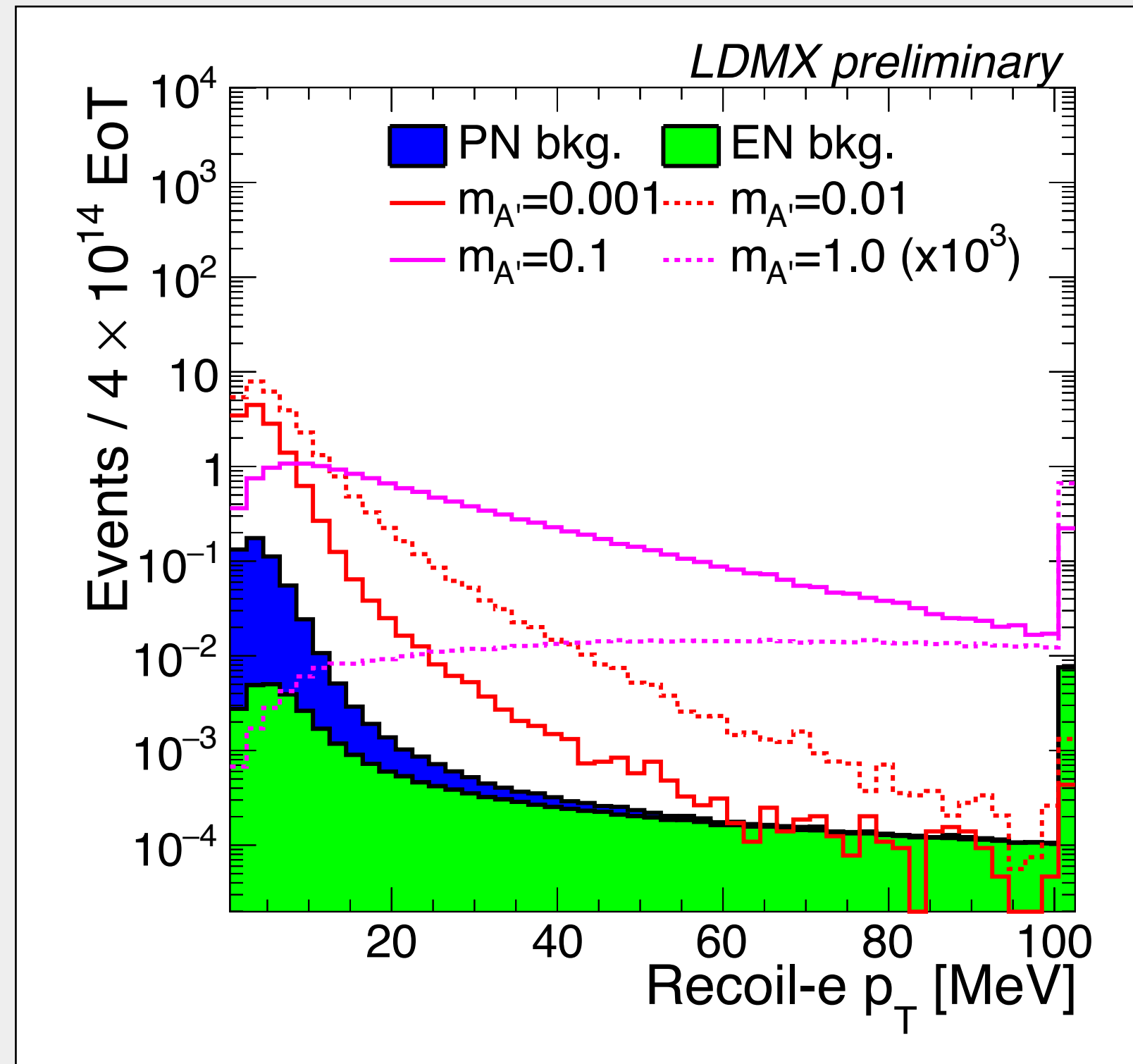
exploit different composition of energy bins
at different beam energies



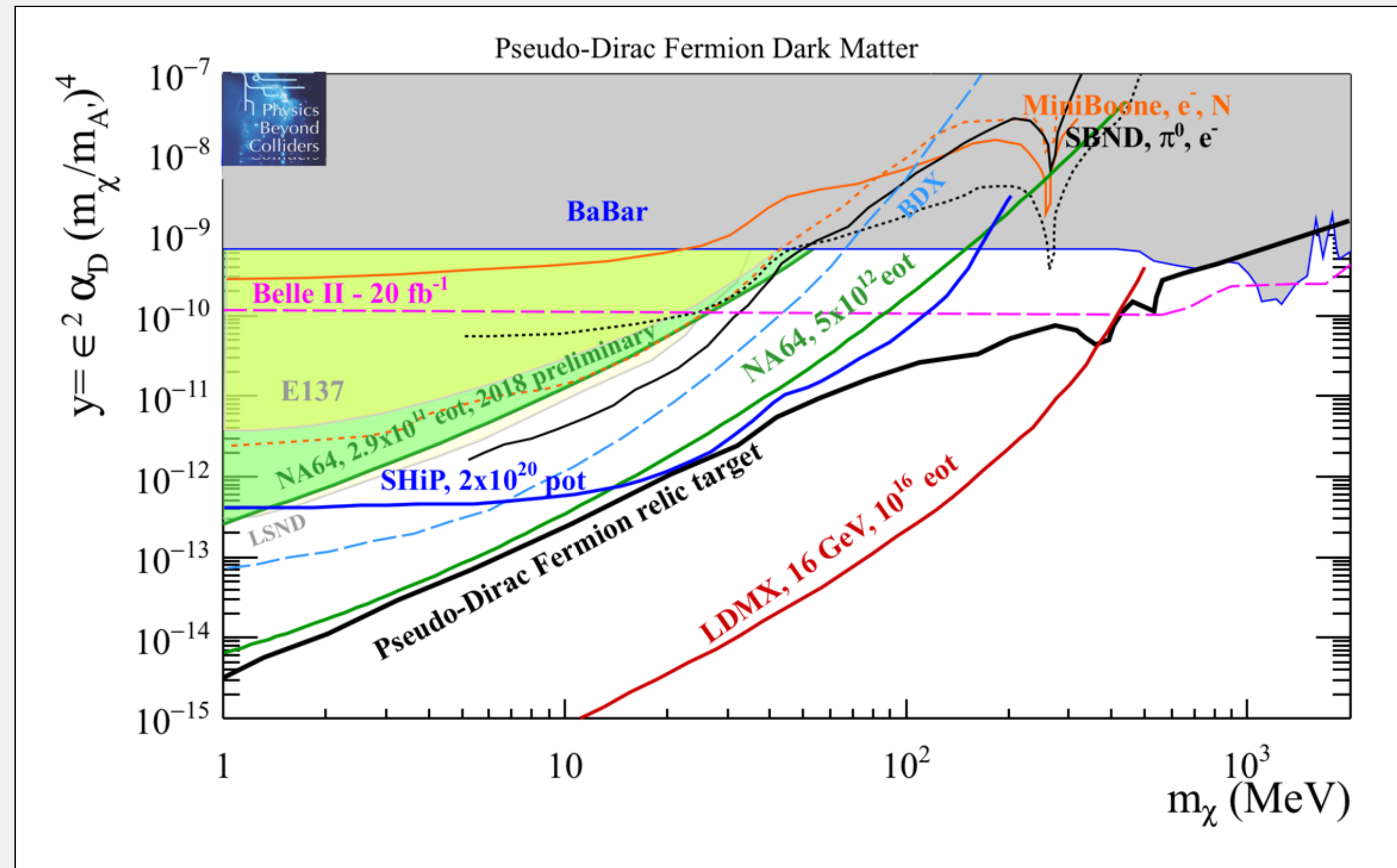
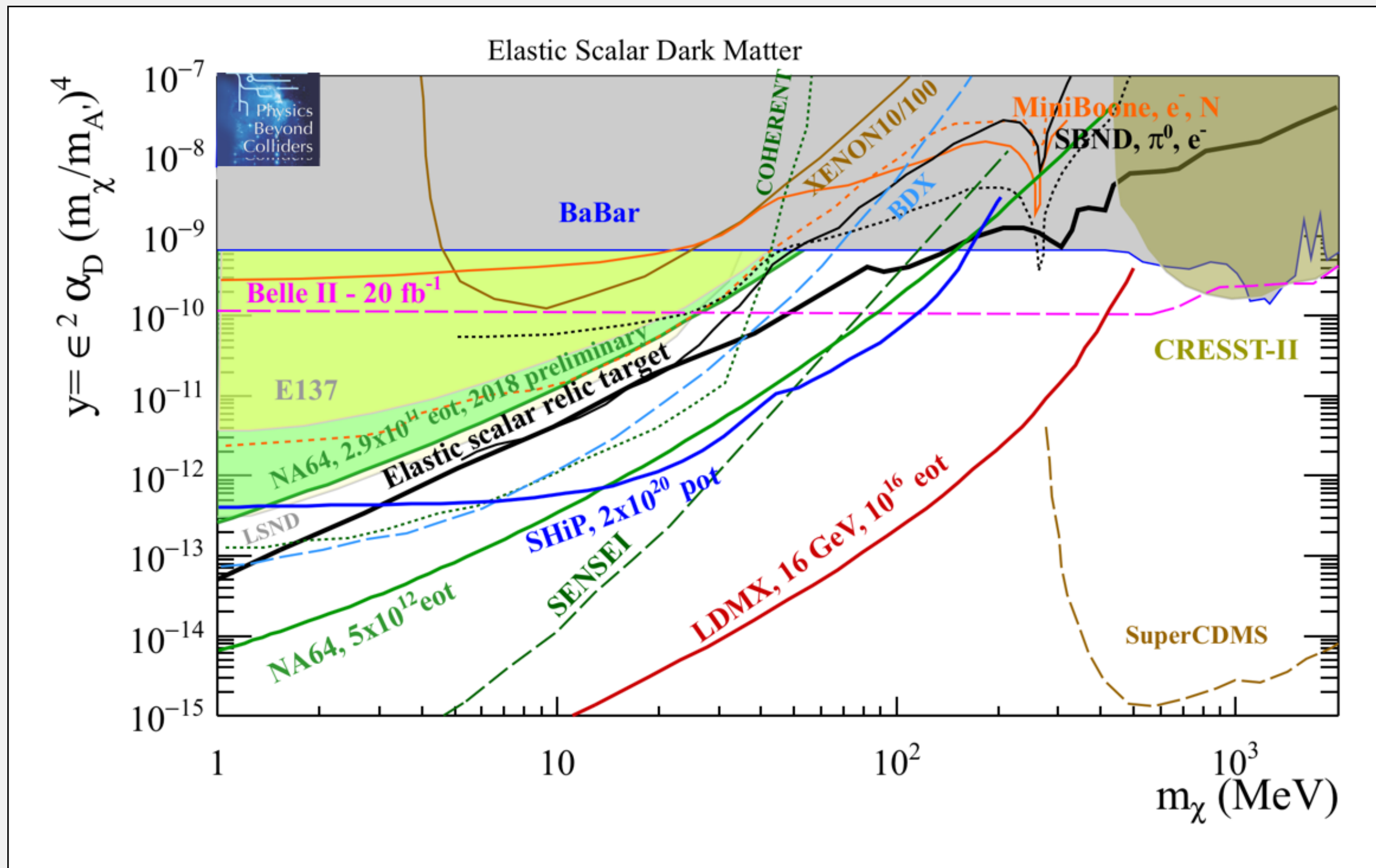
White Paper

major milestone last year: comprehensive summary of design status [arxiv:1808.05219](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.05219)

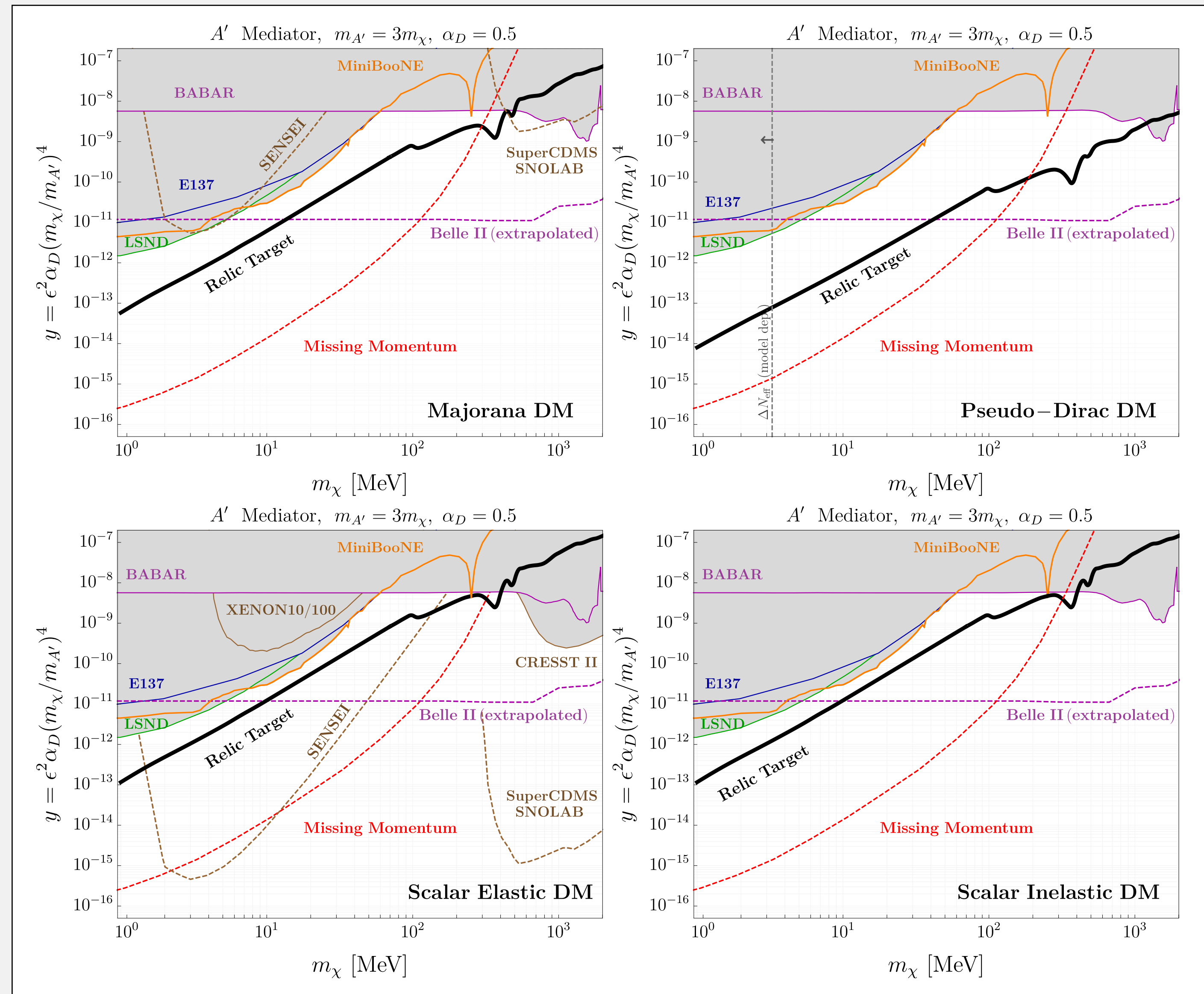
- detailed simulation studies of relevant background processes and their rejection
- expect <1 background events for 4×10^{14} EOT (4 GeV beam energy)



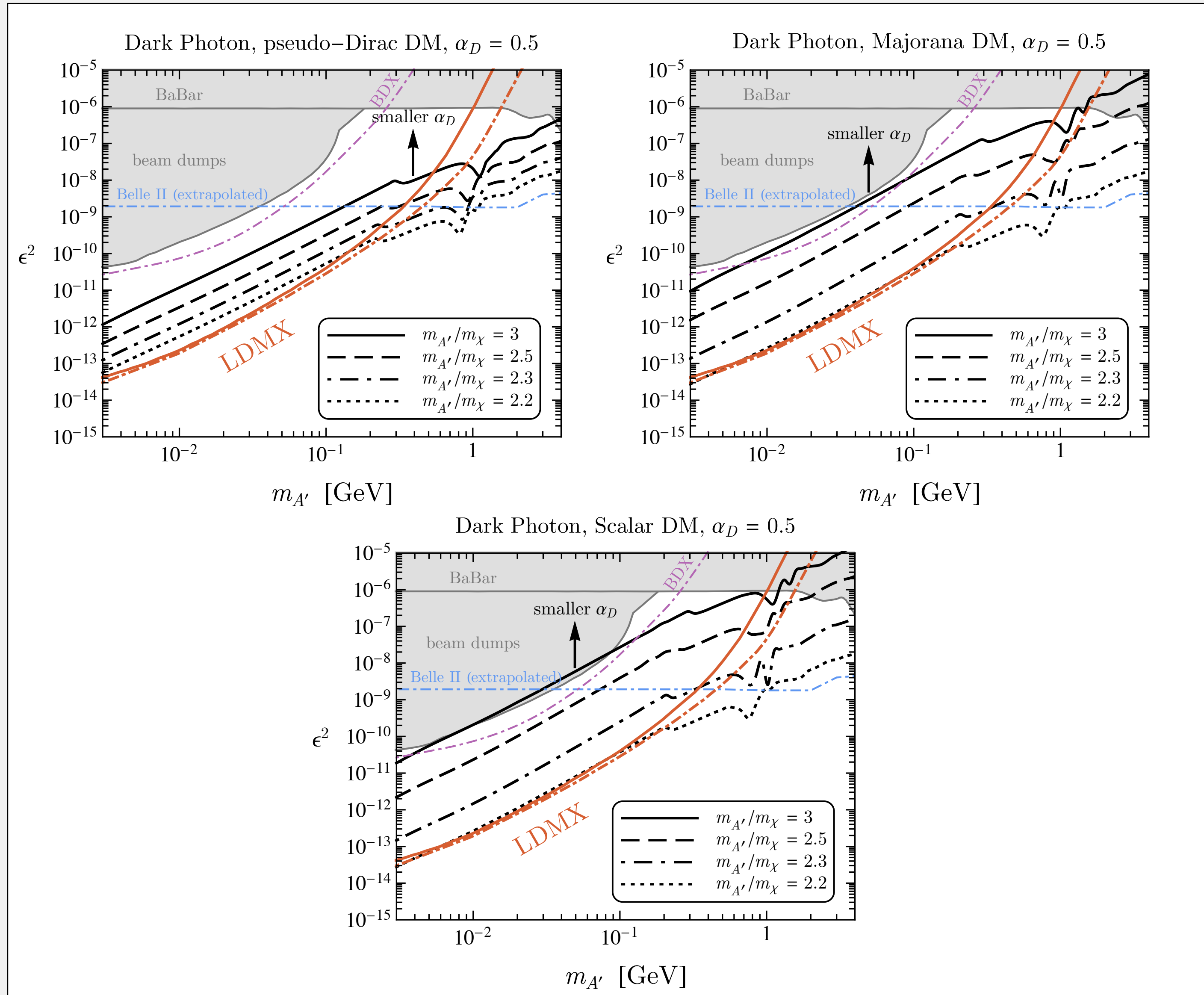
Sensitivities to thermal targets



Various Future Projections

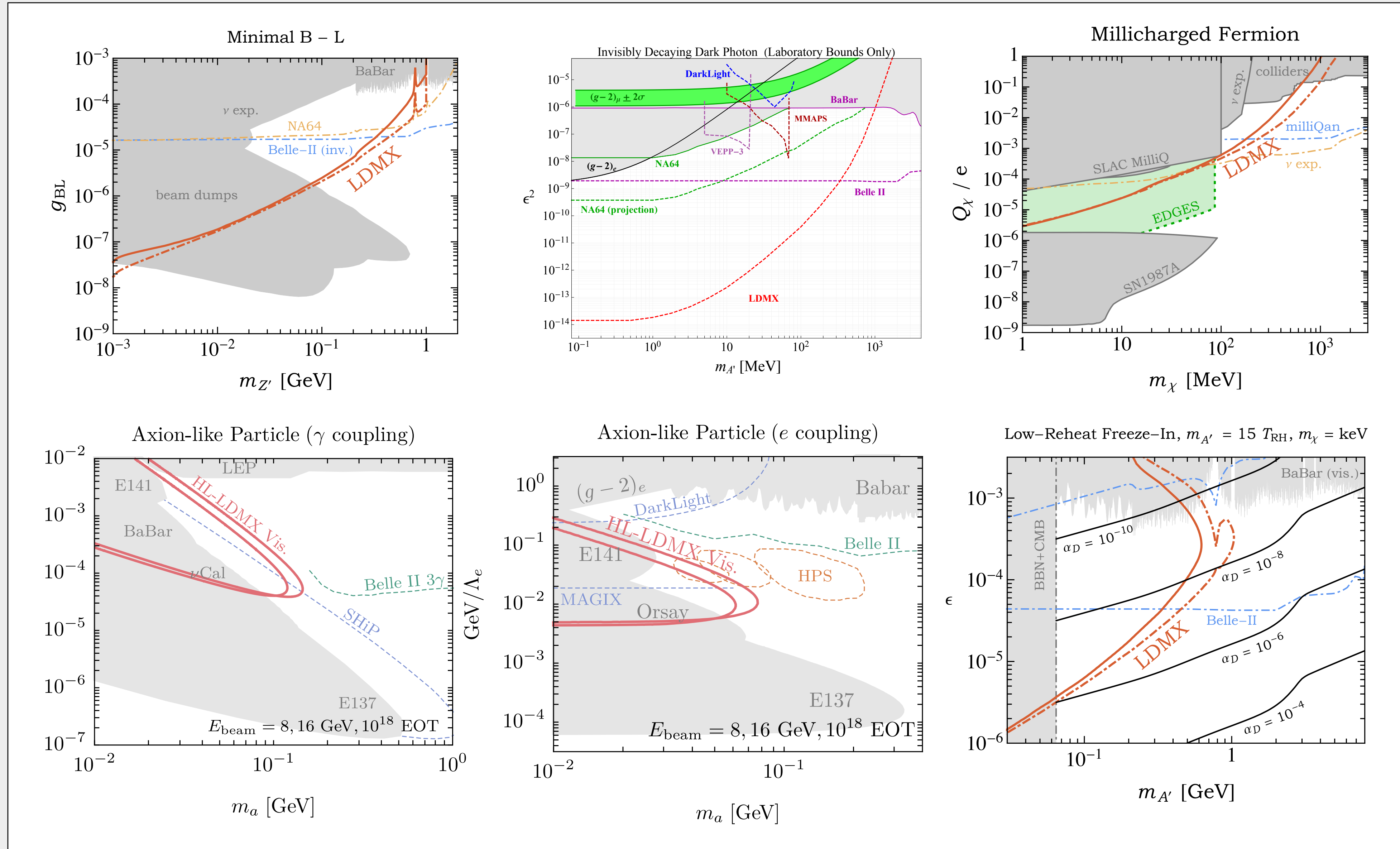


Parameter Dependence



Further Potential for LDMX

arXiv: 1807.01730



Tracking System

simplified copy of Silicon Vertex Tracker (SVT) of HPS experiment@JLab (visible Dark Photon search)

- fast (2ns hit time resolution)
- radiation hard
- technology well understood

tagging tracker

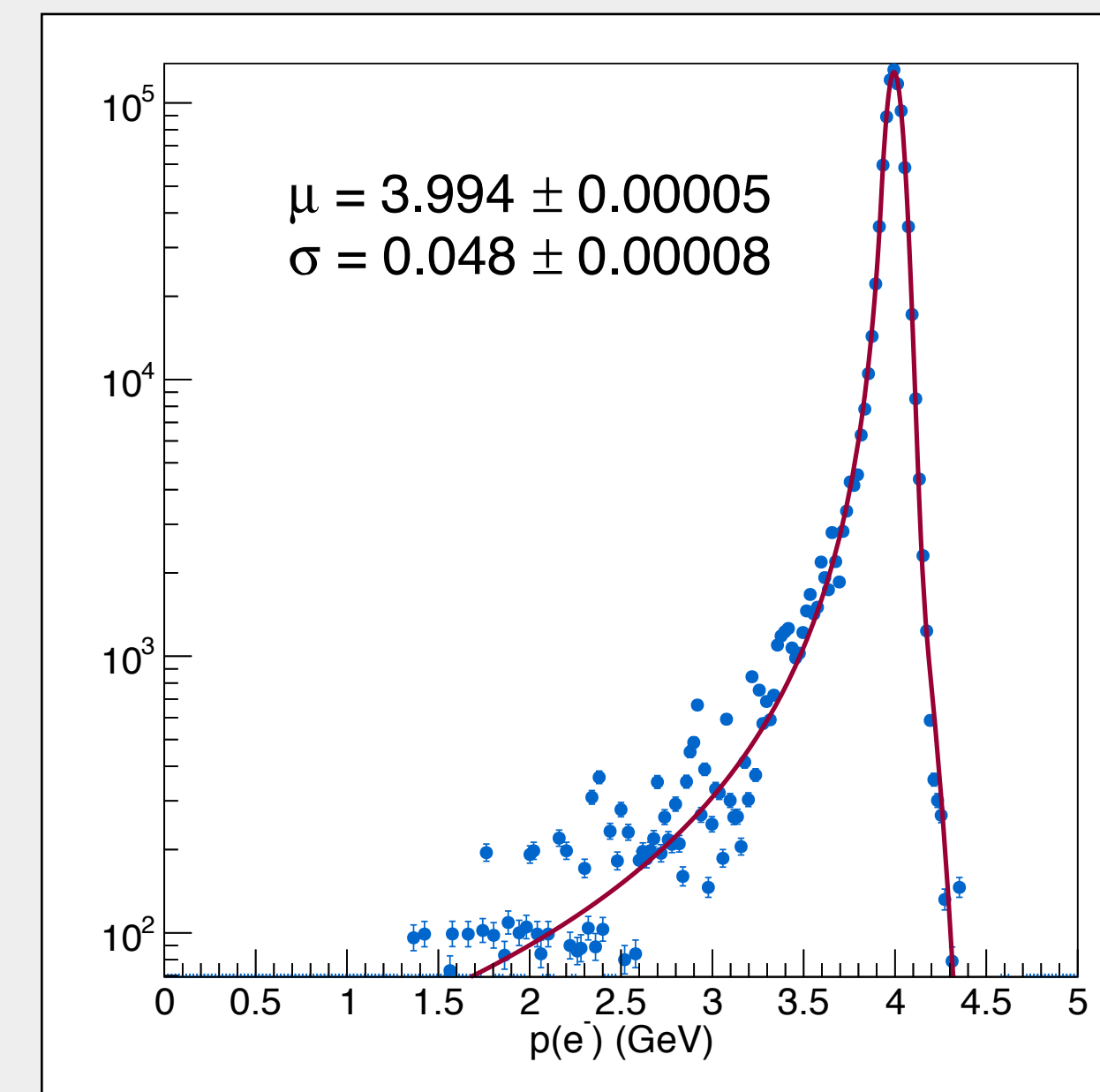
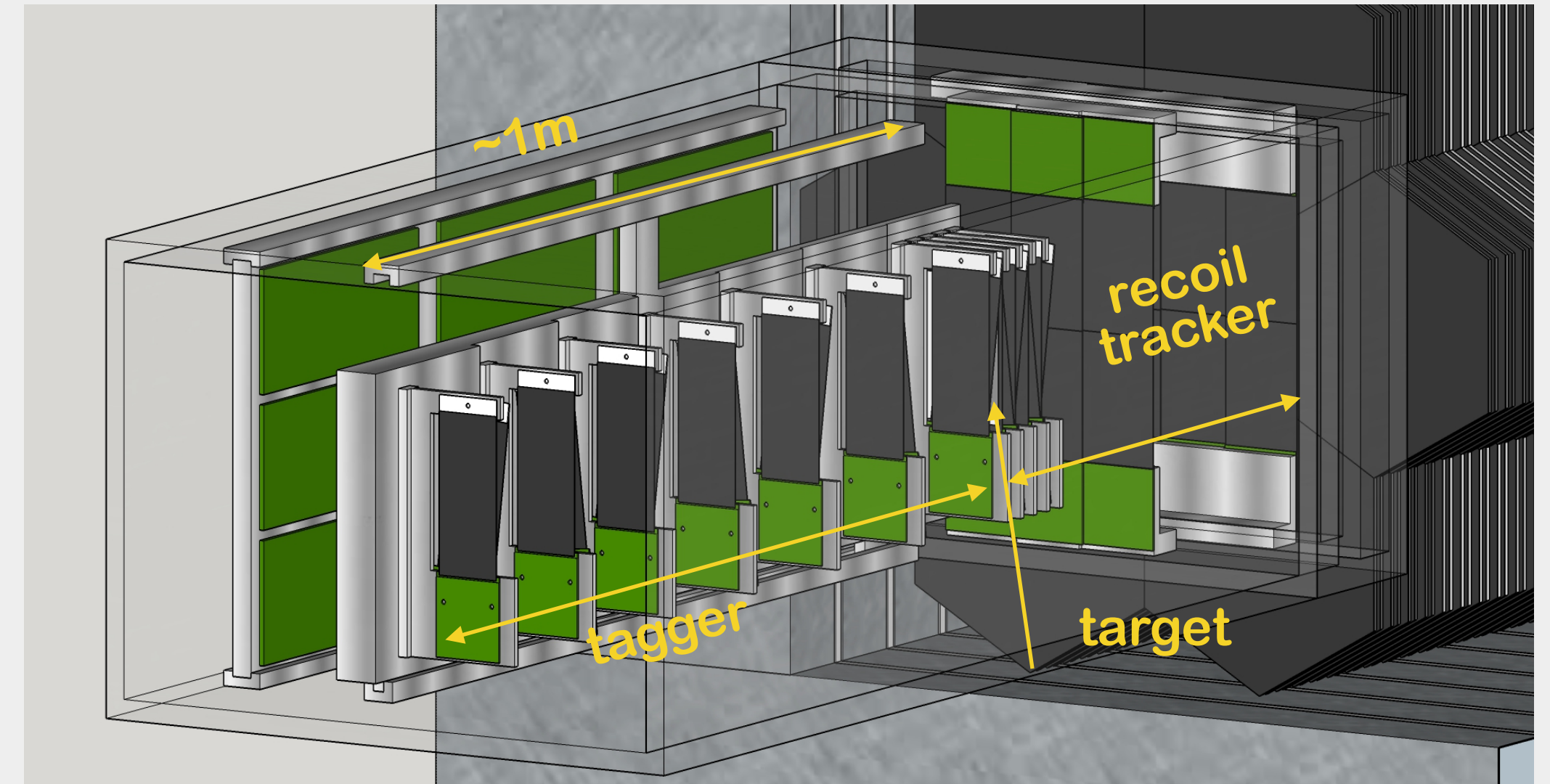
- in 1.5T dipole field
- measure incoming electron
 - momentum filter
 - impact point on target

recoil tracker

- in fringe field
- measure recoil electron

target

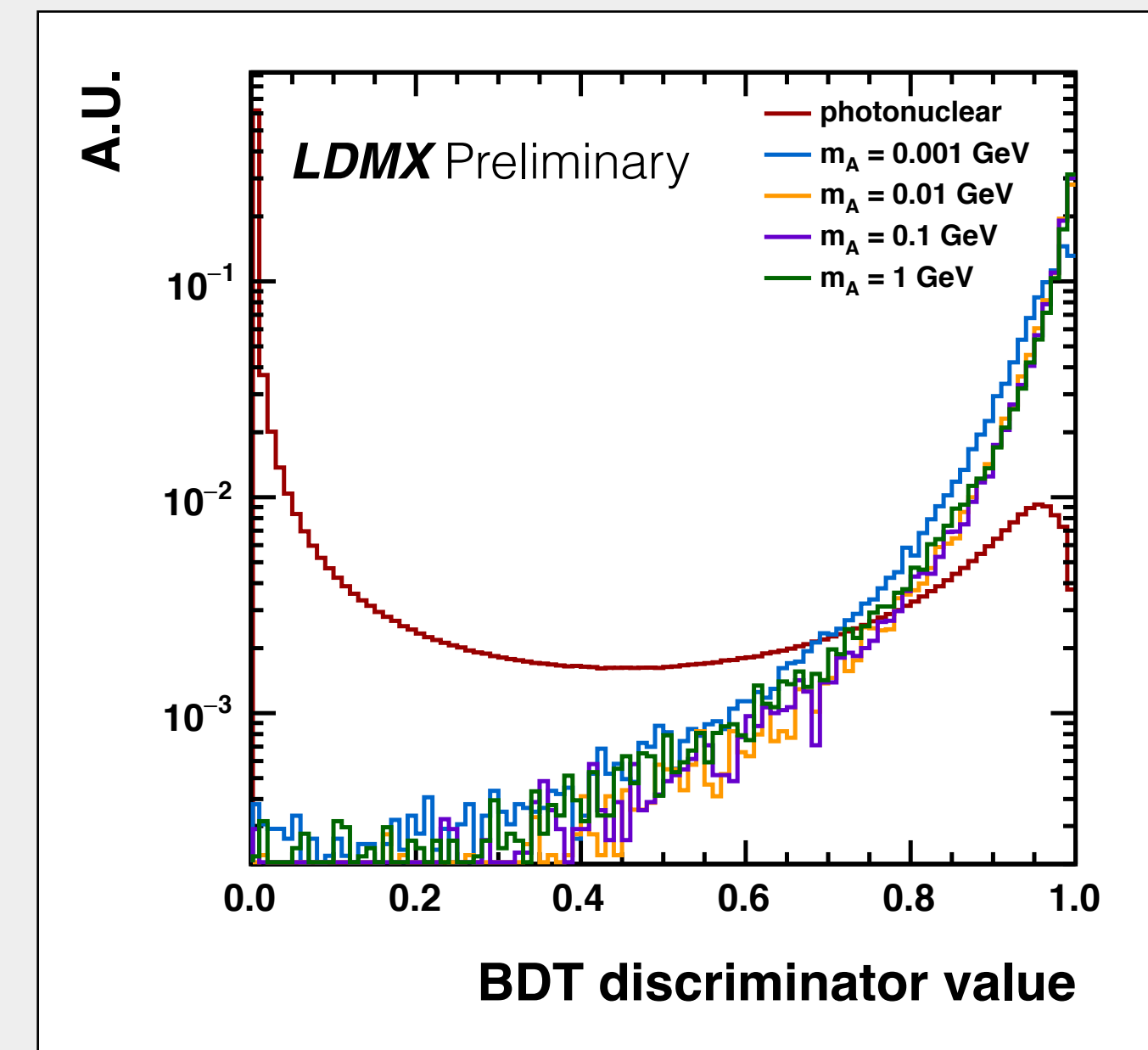
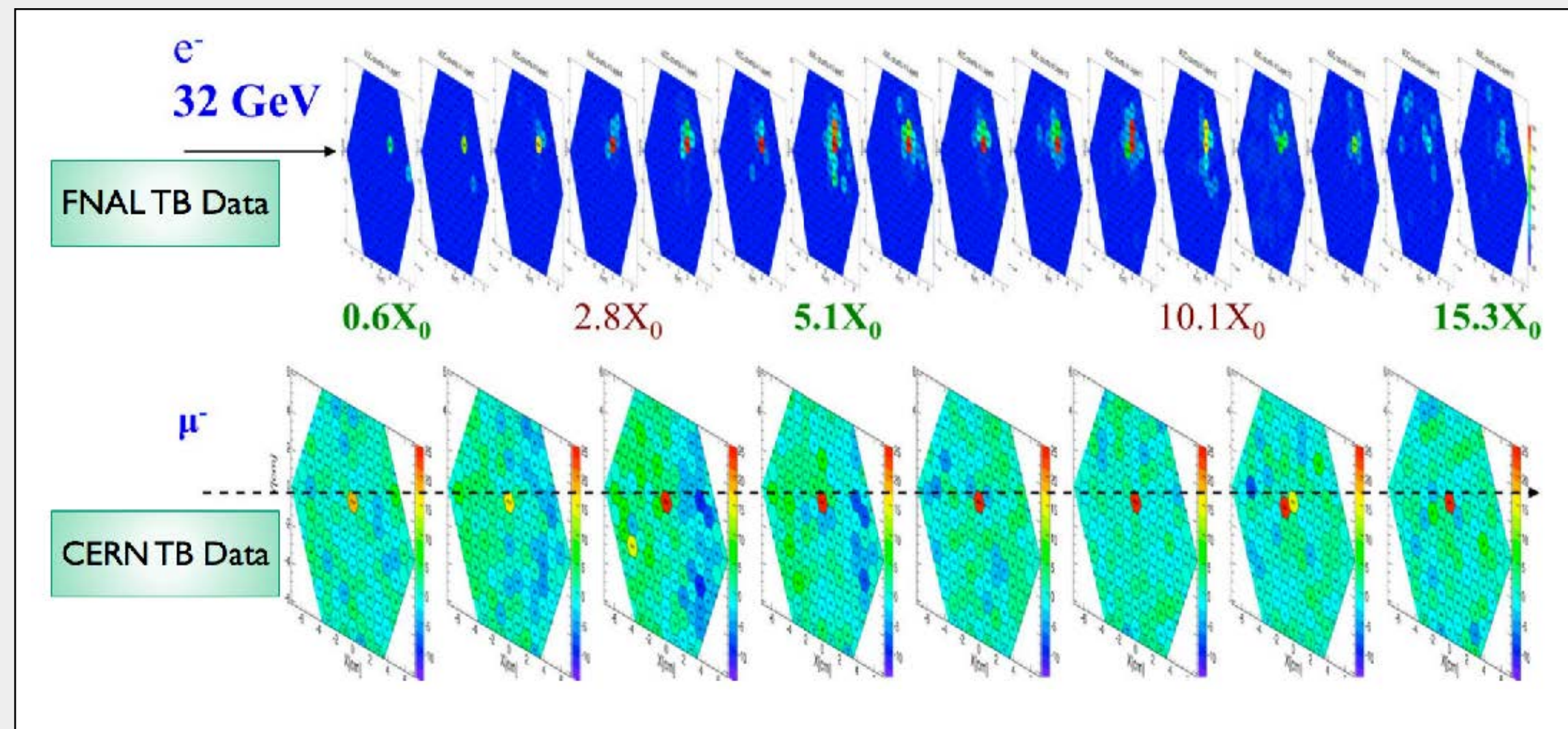
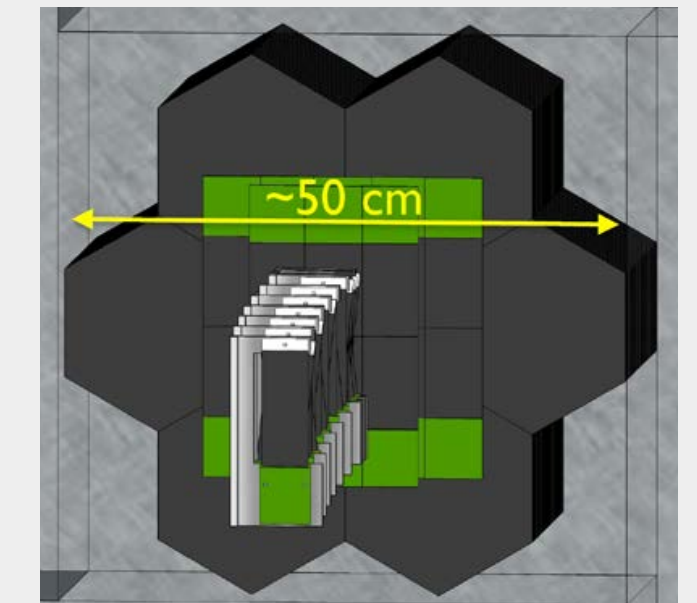
- $\sim 0.1 - 0.3 X_0$ tungsten
- balance signal rate & momentum smearing



Electromagnetic Calorimeter

ECal

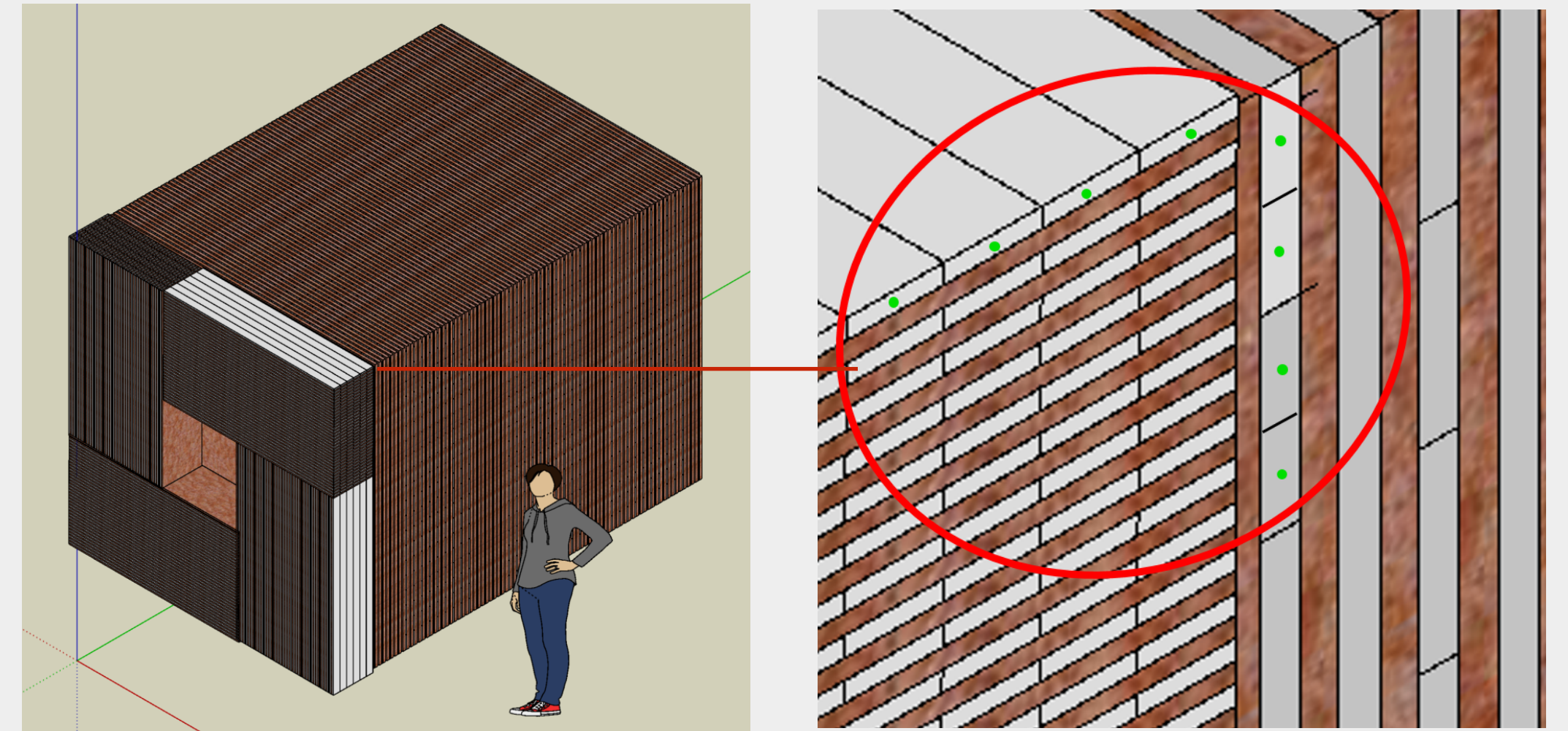
- draw on design of CMS forward SiW calorimeter upgrade
 - 32 layers with 7 modules each, $40 X_0$
 - fast, radiation hard, dense
 - high granularity (MIP 'tracking')
 - potentially increase granularity in central module



Hadronic Calorimeter

HCal

- need highly efficient **veto** for low- and high-energy neutrons
- plastic scintillator with steel absorber
- surround ECal as much as possible (back and side)



preliminary simulation studies show potential to get close to 0 background in phase 1, while retaining decent energy resolution

