

ATHENA

A Totally Hermetic Electron-Nucleus Apparatus

A new EIC experiment at IP6 at BNL

# Status of ATHENA proposal

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greatly indebted to the whole ATHENA (proto)-Collaboration

big credits to many EIC/ATHENA colleagues to build this presentation: S. Dalla Torre, E. Aschenauer, R. Preghenella, D. Elia, Y. Furletova, V. Berndikov, M. Contalbrigo, L. Gonnella, T. Hemmick, ..

# Outline

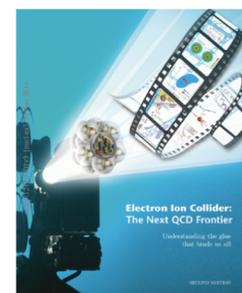
- a little bit of EIC generalities & physics with some emphasis on detector requirements
- ATHENA "status"
  - where we are in the process toward a real experiment
  - who we are: the (proto)-collaboration
  - our design choices
  - an overview of main sub-systems in ATHENA



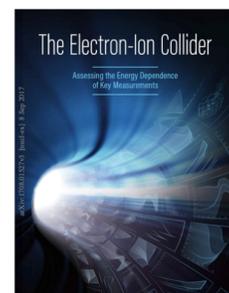
"Link effort" through this presentation: not a comprehensive, but it offers many links to people interested!

To start with, check last EICUG meeting (August 2021):

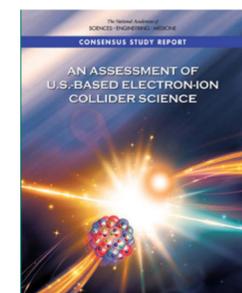
<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/11463/>



White Paper (2012)  
Accardi et al,  
arXiv:1212:1701



BNL Report (2017)  
Aschenauer et al,  
arXiv:1708.01527



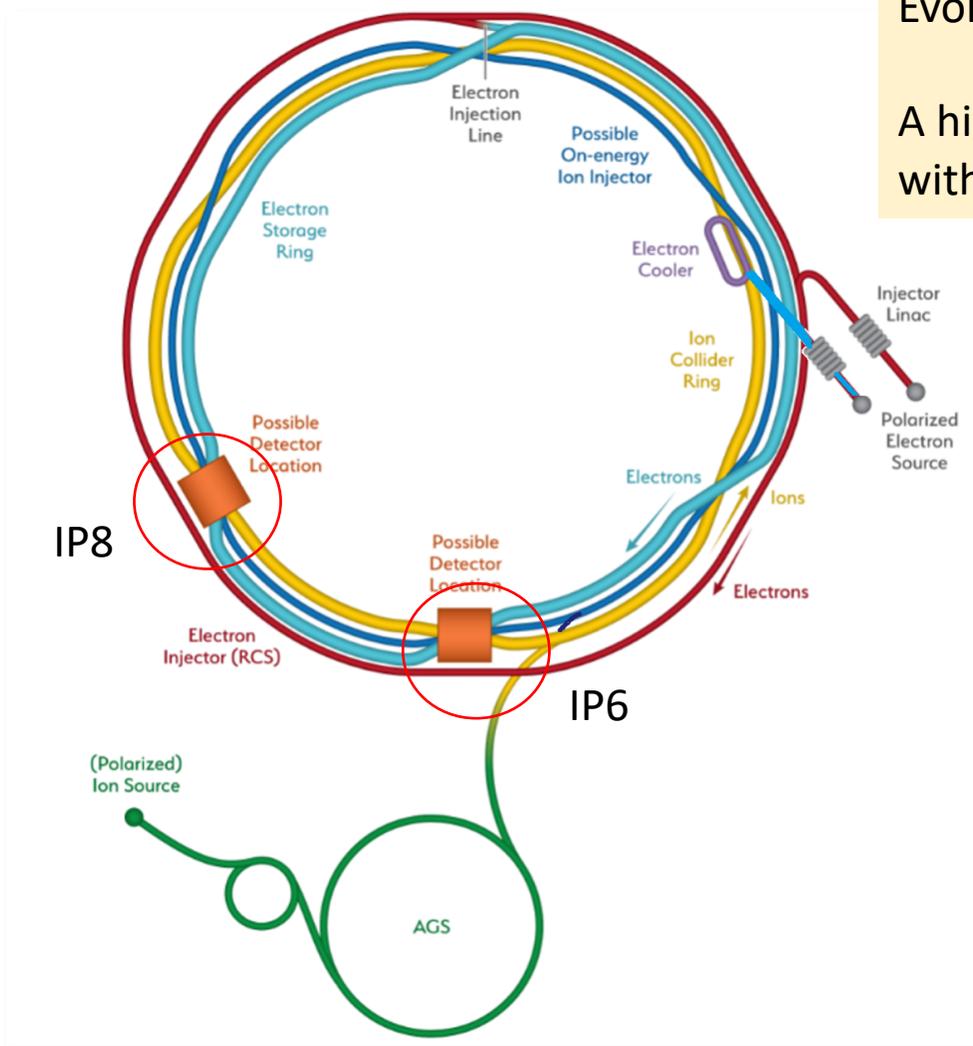
NAS Study (2018)



EIC Yellow Report (2021)  
arXiv:2103.05419

Yellow Paper (2016)  
Accardi et al, Eur. Phys. J. A  
(2016) 52: 268

# EIC: an Electron-Ion collider at BNL



Evolution of RHIC (pp/pA/AA) facility at BNL → electron ring ( $E_e = 5-18$  GeV)

A high luminosity ( $10^{33} - 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ) polarized electron proton / ion collider with  $\sqrt{s_{ep}} = 28 - 140$  GeV

## EIC key points

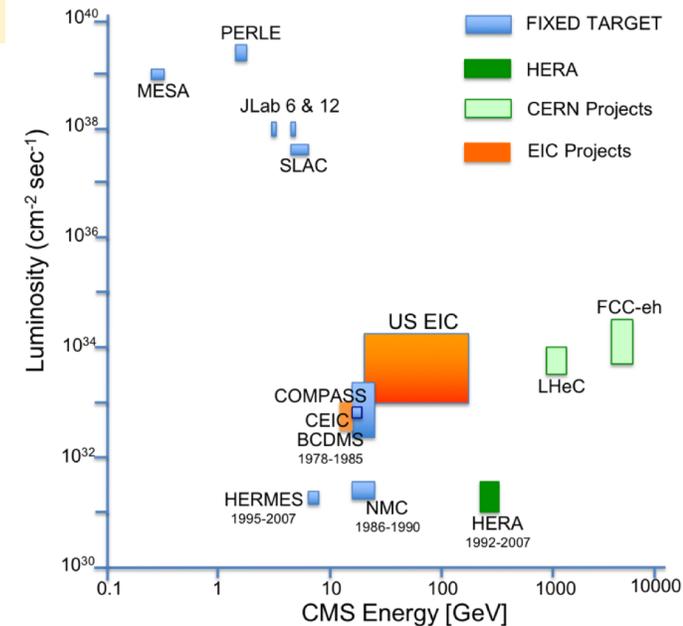
with respect to HERA:

- luminosity x 100 to 1000 higher
- both (p, d,  $^3\text{He}$ ) and e polarized
- nuclear beams (d to U)

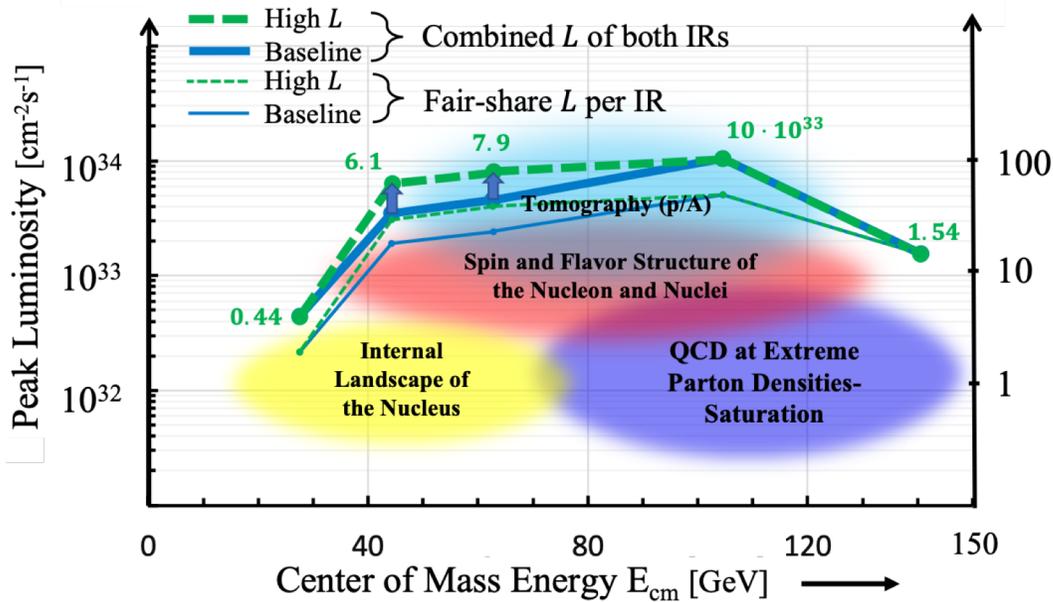
with respect to fixed target facilities

- more than 2 decades increase in kinematic coverage in x and  $Q^2$

Currently DOE supports EIC project for one detector and one IR, but the facility might support two detectors/IRs (IP6/IP8)



# EIC: physics reach & machine parameters

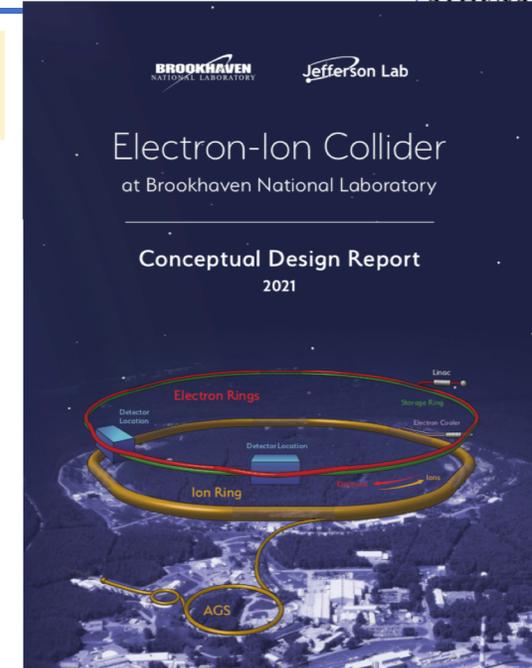


Hadron Storage Ring: 40 – 275 GeV  
 Electron Storage Ring: 5 – 18 GeV  
 25 mrad Crossing Angle

Machine Conceptual Design Report:  
[https://www.bnl.gov/ec/files/EIC\\_CDR\\_Final.pdf](https://www.bnl.gov/ec/files/EIC_CDR_Final.pdf)

## Params at maximum lumi

Parameter	hadron	electron
Center-of-mass energy [GeV]		104.9
Energy [GeV]	275	10
Number of bunches		1160
Particles per bunch [ $10^{10}$ ]	6.9	17.2
Beam current [A]	1.0	2.5
Horizontal emittance [nm]	11.3	20.0
Vertical emittance [nm]	1.0	1.3
Horizontal $\beta$ -function at IP $\beta_x^*$ [cm]	80	45
Vertical $\beta$ -function at IP $\beta_y^*$ [cm]	7.2	5.6
Horizontal/Vertical fractional betatron tunes	0.228/0.210	0.08/0.06
Horizontal divergence at IP $\sigma_x^*$ [mrad]	0.119	0.211
Vertical divergence at IP $\sigma_y^*$ [mrad]	0.119	0.152
Horizontal beam-beam parameter $\xi_x$	0.012	0.072
Vertical beam-beam parameter $\xi_y$	0.012	0.1
IBS growth time longitudinal/horizontal [hr]	2.9/2.0	-
Synchrotron radiation power [MW]	-	9.0
Bunch length [cm]	6	0.7
Hourglass and crab reduction factor [17]		0.94
Luminosity [ $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ]		1.0



If DIS is a pair of glasses to look inside the nucleon,  
 EIC is definitely a **new pair of glasses!**



Resolution is a few times smaller than target

Resolution 10's of times smaller than target

Resolution 100's of times smaller than target

Credit: Yulia Furletova



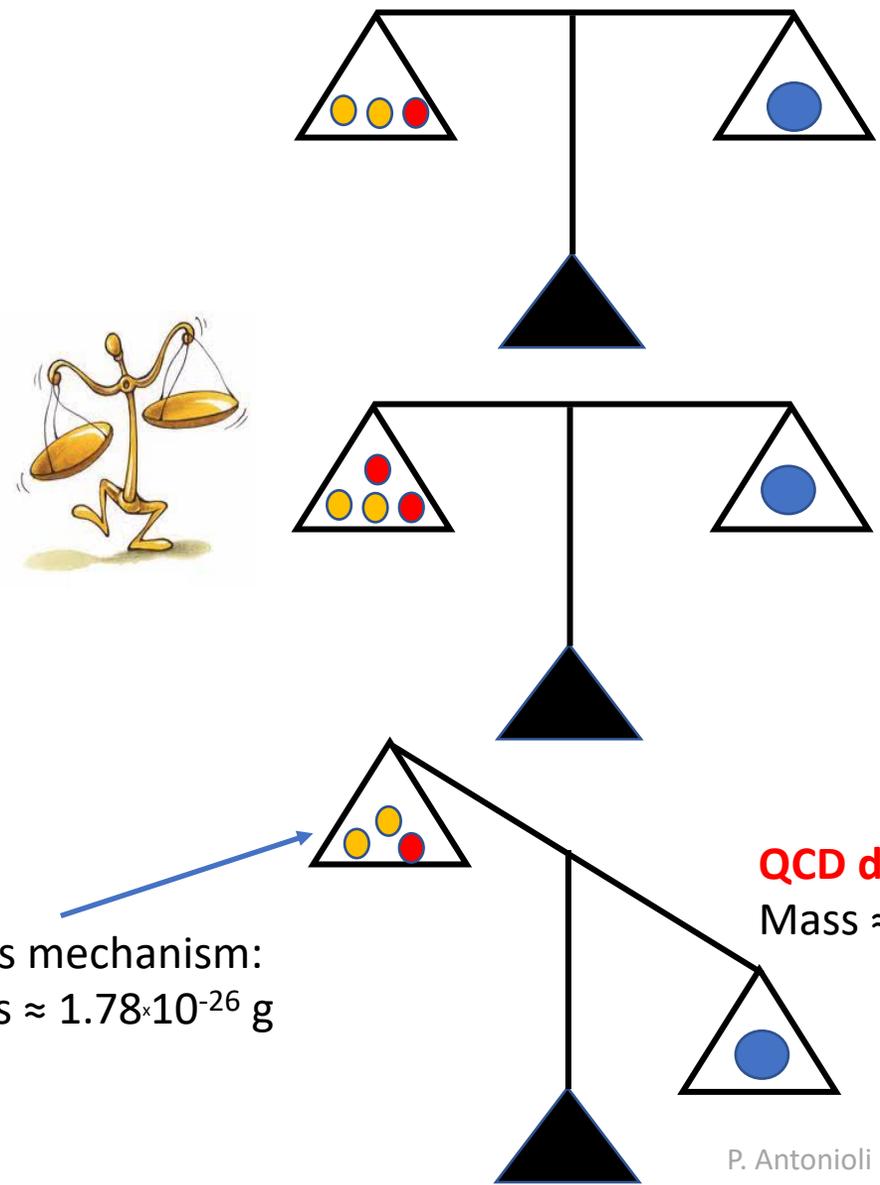
# Why new glasses?

The way matter sums up is still quite a mystery!

● Hydrogen  
● Oxygen

● Proton  
● Neutron

● d quark  
● u quark

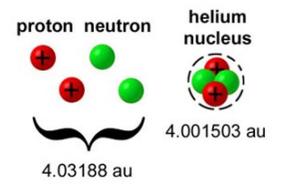


● Water



Molecular Formula	H <sub>2</sub> O
	water
	7732-18-5
	Distilled water
Synonyms	Dihydrogen oxide
	Purified water
	<a href="#">More...</a>
Molecular Weight	18.015

● Helium



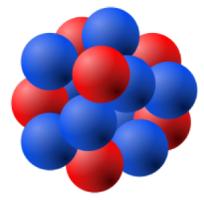
5 B Boron 10.81	6 C Carbon 12.011	7 N Nitrogen 14.007	8 O Oxygen 15.999	9 F Fluorine 18.99840316
13 Al Aluminum 26.981538	14 Si Silicon 28.085	15 P Phosphorus 30.97376200	16 S Sulfur 32.07	17 Cl Chlorine 35.45

Higgs mechanism:  
Mass  $\approx 1.78 \times 10^{-26}$  g

**QCD dynamics makes 99% of proton mass!**

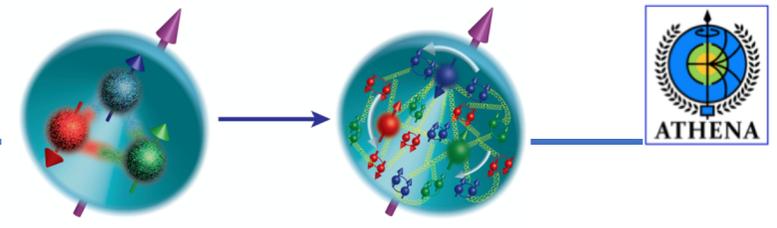
Mass  $\approx 168 \times 10^{-26}$  g

● proton



(and baryonic matter... is just 5% of the Universe...)

# And for spin too...



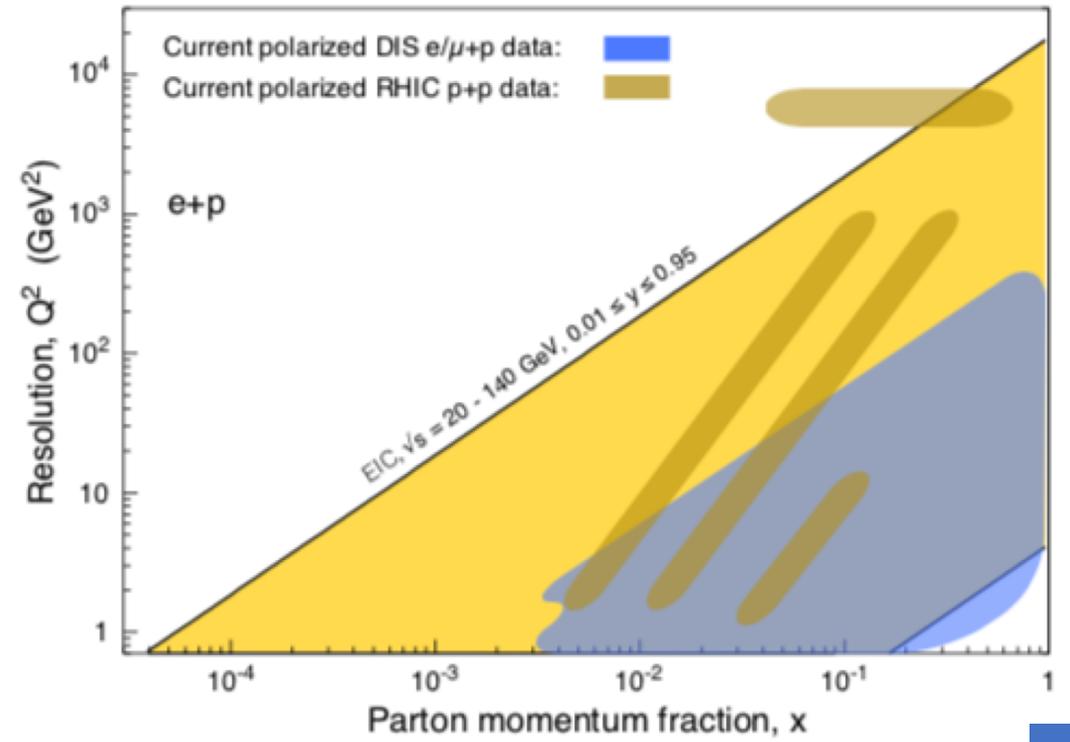
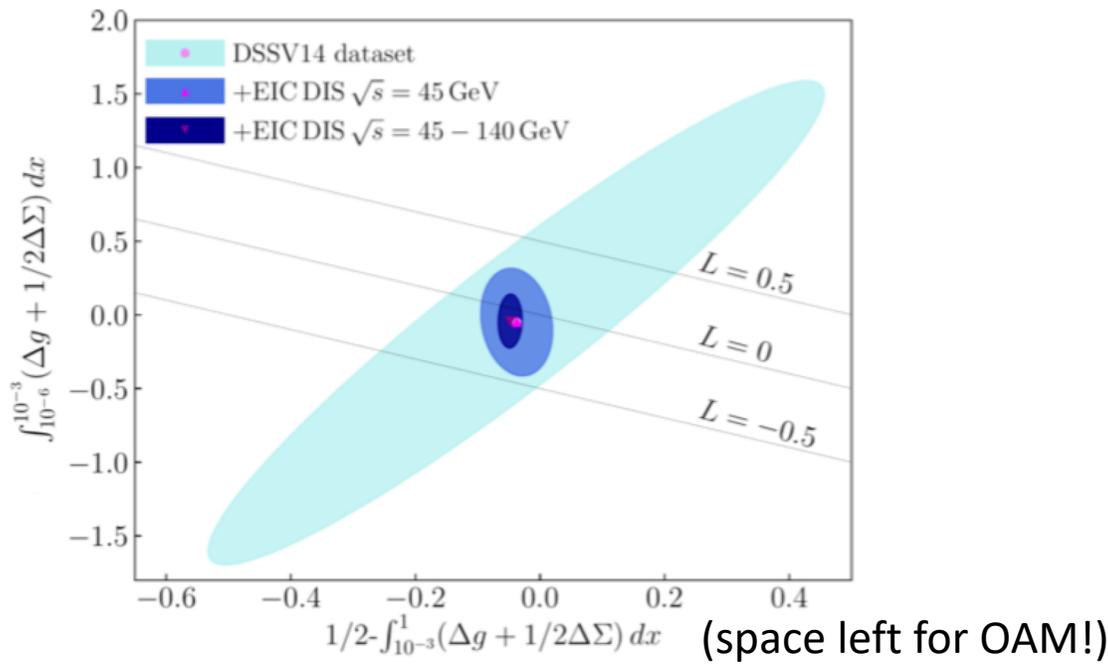
$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma(\mu) + \Delta G(\mu) + L_q(\mu) + L_g(\mu)$$

quark and gluon spin
orbital angular momentum

- the spin is the interplay between parton intrinsic properties & their interactions
- it is a dynamic not a static property!

- since late '80s we know  $\Delta\Sigma$  is not the dominant term
- only 25% comes from quarks/anti-quarks – gluon contr. at 30%
- big uncertainties!  $\rightarrow$  no data on  $\Delta\Sigma$  and  $\Delta G$  for  $x < 5 \times 10^{-3}$

EIC will offer **polarized** beams in a largely unexplored x-Q<sup>2</sup> region!



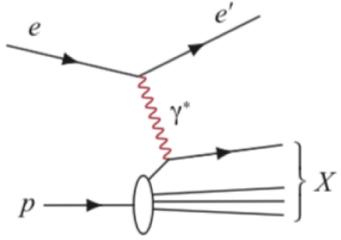
EIC can really resolve the spin components of the nucleon

# EIC physics: a machine to study the nucleon "glue"

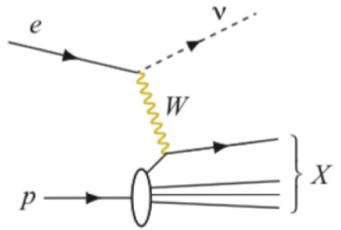
- How do the **nucleonic properties** such as mass and spin **emerge** from **partons** and their underlying interactions?
- **How are partons inside the nucleon distributed** in both momentum and position space?
- How do **color-charged quarks and gluons**, and jets, interact with a nuclear medium?
- How do the **confined hadronic states emerge** from these quarks and gluons?
- How do the **nuclear binding emerge** from quark-gluon interactions?
- How does a dense nuclear environment affect the dynamics of quarks and gluons, their correlations, and their interactions? **What happens to the gluon density in nuclei?** Does it saturate at high energy, giving rise to gluonic matter or a gluonic phase with universal properties in all nuclei and even in nucleons?



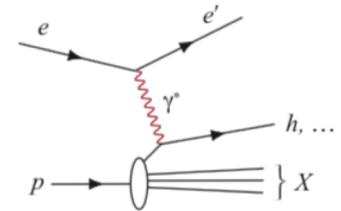
# DIS processes → physics



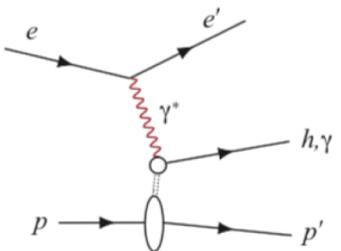
NC inclusive DIS  
essential measurement: scattered electron



CC inclusive DIS  
kinematics reconstructed via final state particles



Semi-Inclusive DIS  
need to identify at least one hadron (+ HQ)



Exclusive DIS  
full reconstruction → hermeticity

EIC extra-bonus: DIS in nuclei

- nPDF modifications
- gluon saturation (and its scale dependency from A) [jets]
- hadronisation in cold nuclear matter

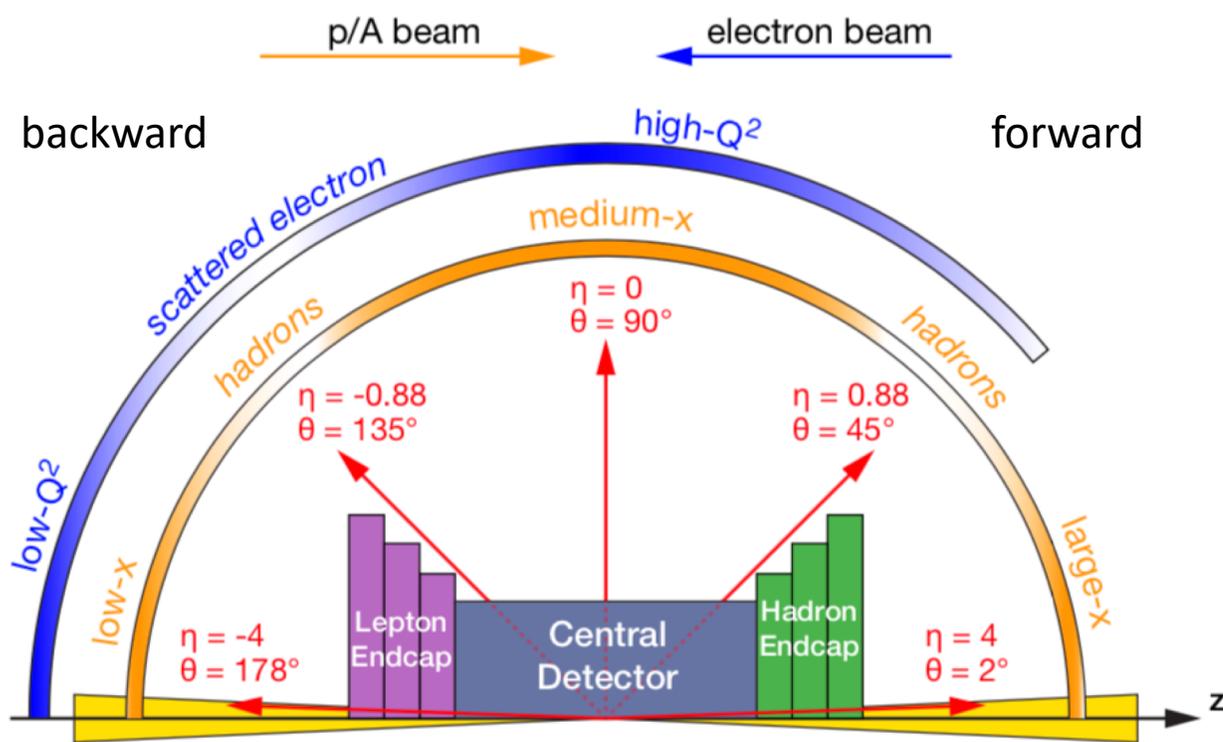
- di-hadron correlation for saturation studies
- transverse momentum distribution (TMD)

Multi-dimensional imaging of the nucleon

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)  
and Deeply Virtual Meson Scattering  
→ GPD

- detection of forward going proton scattered at small angle essential for several physics channel (J/ψ – Y photoproduction |t| dependence, generalized parton distribution functions)
- diffractive cross sections proportional to gluon density → nuclear dependency?

# Detector requirements (I)



- asymmetric beams → asymmetric detector
- hermetic detector
- moderate radiation hardness (w.r.t. to LHC)
- rapidity coverage for electrons and jets  $|\eta| < 4$
- large acceptance for diffraction

## EM calorimetry requirements

backward  $\sigma(E)/E \approx \frac{2\%}{\sqrt{E}} \otimes (1-3)\%$  ← !

central  $\sigma(E)/E \approx \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E}} \otimes (1-3)\%$

critical for low x measurement → PDF mapping → spin

**Excellent PID up to 50 GeV for  $\pi/K/p$**  ← !  
 in the forward region, up to 10 GeV in barrel region

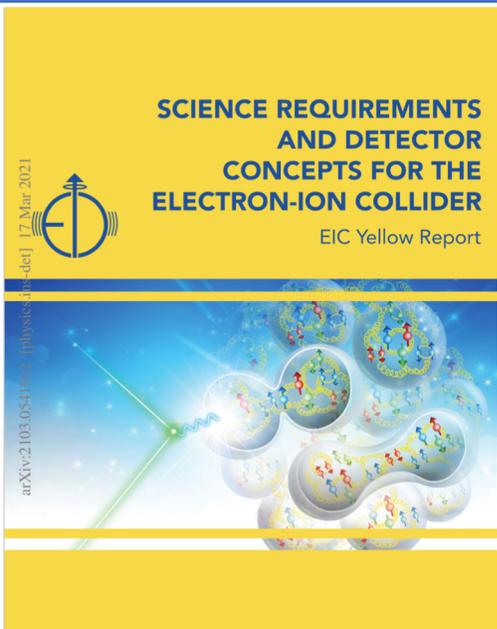
critical for SIDIS measurement → transverse momentum distribution → 3D-imaging

momentum resolution:  
 central  $\sigma(p_T)/p_T (\%) \approx 0.01 p_T \otimes 0.5$  ← !

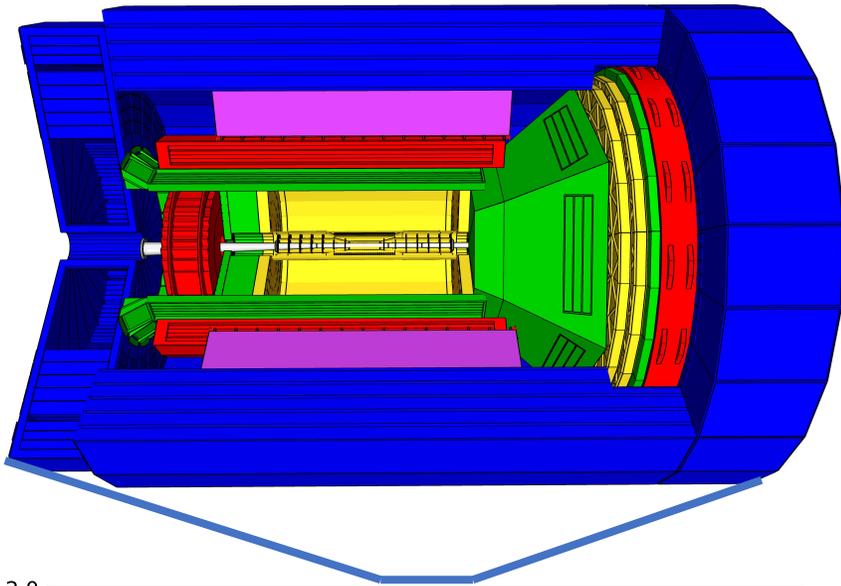
good hadronic resolution in the forward region

All this quantified by the community in the Yellow Report effort during 2020 (a collective pandemic remote effort)

# A baseline detector for EIC (as per Yellow Report)



<https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.05419>



hadronic calorimeters

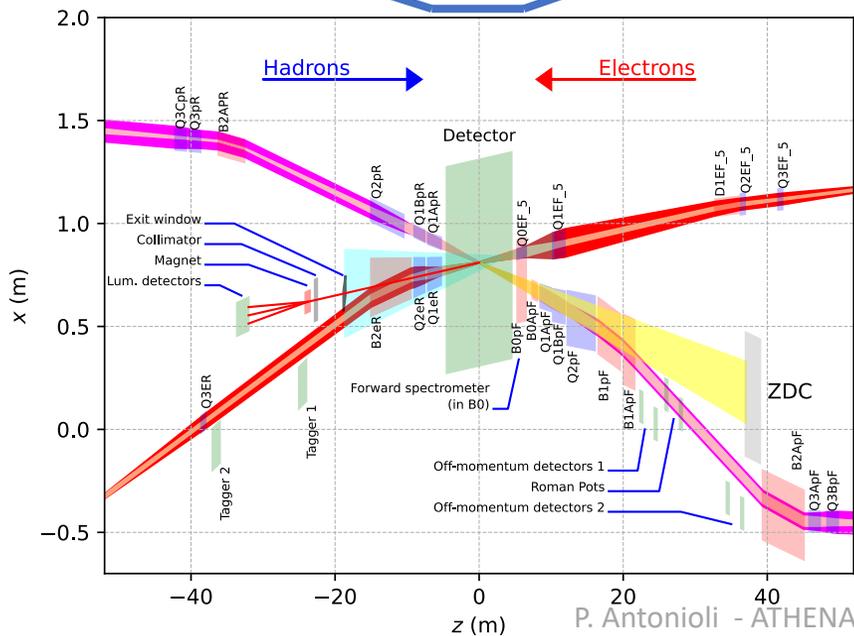
e/m calorimeters

PID: Tof, RICH and DIRC detectors

silicon tracker

MPG tracker

magnet



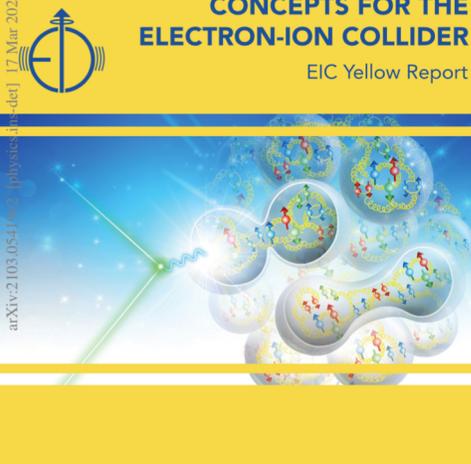
Note need of larger acceptance for diffraction, neutron tagging for nuclear breakup, forward proton measurement at small angles: ZDC, Roman-Pots, low- $Q^2$  tagger

# Detector requirements (II)

## SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS AND DETECTOR CONCEPTS FOR THE ELECTRON-ION COLLIDER

EIC Yellow Report

arXiv:2103.05419v2 [physics-det] 17 Mar 2021



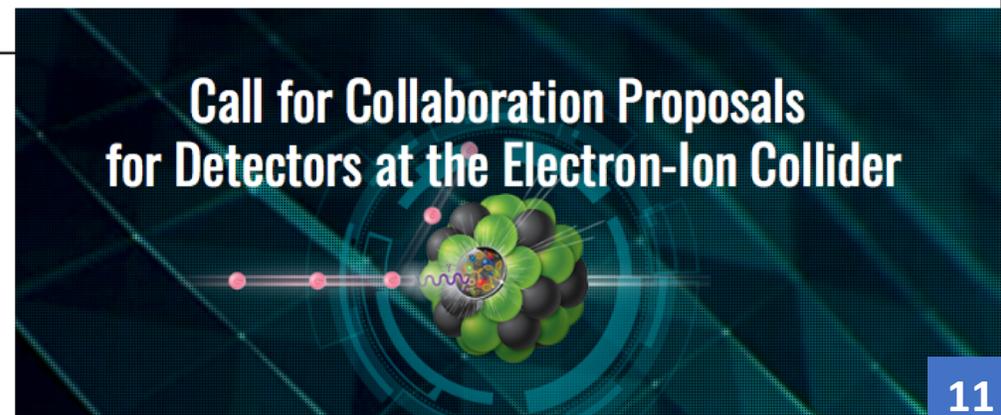
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Nomenclature	Tracking						Electrons and Photons			$\pi/K/p$		HCAL		Muons
	Resolution	Relative Momentum	Allowed $X/X_0$	Minimum- $p_T$ (MeV/c)	Transverse Pointing Res.	Longitudinal Pointing Res.	Resolution $\sigma_E/E$	PID	Min E Photon	$p$ -Range	Separation	Resolution $\sigma_E/E$	Energy	
Low-Q2 tagger	Not Accessible													
	Reduced Performance													
Backward Detector	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.1\% \times p \oplus 2\%$	$\sim 5\%$ or less	400	150-300	$dca(xy) \sim 40/p_T \mu m \oplus 10 \mu m$	$dca(z) \sim 100/p_T \mu m \oplus 20 \mu m$	$1\%/E \oplus 2.5\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 1\%$	$\pi$ suppression up to $1:10^4$	20 MeV	$\leq 10$ GeV/c	$\geq 3\sigma$	$50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 10\%$	$\sim 500$ MeV	Muons useful for background suppression and improved resolution
	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.02\% \times p \oplus 1\%$						$2\%/E \oplus (4-8)\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2\%$	$\pi$ suppression up to $1:(10^{-3}-10^{-2})$	50 MeV					
Barrel	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.02\% \times p \oplus 5\%$				$dca(xy) \sim 30/p_T \mu m \oplus 5 \mu m$	$dca(z) \sim 30/p_T \mu m \oplus 5 \mu m$	$2\%/E \oplus (12-14)\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus (2-3)\%$	$\pi$ suppression up to $1:10^2$	100 MeV	$\leq 6$ GeV/c				
Forward Detectors	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.02\% \times p \oplus 1\%$				$dca(xy) \sim 40/p_T \mu m \oplus 10 \mu m$	$dca(z) \sim 100/p_T \mu m \oplus 20 \mu m$	$2\%/E \oplus (4^*-12)\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2\%$	$3\sigma$ e/ $\pi$ up to 15 GeV/c	50 MeV	$\leq 50$ GeV/c		$50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 10\%$		
	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.1\% \times p \oplus 2\%$													
Instrumentation to separate charged particles from photons	Reduced Performance													
	Not Accessible													
Proton Spectrometer														
Zero Degree Neutral Detection														

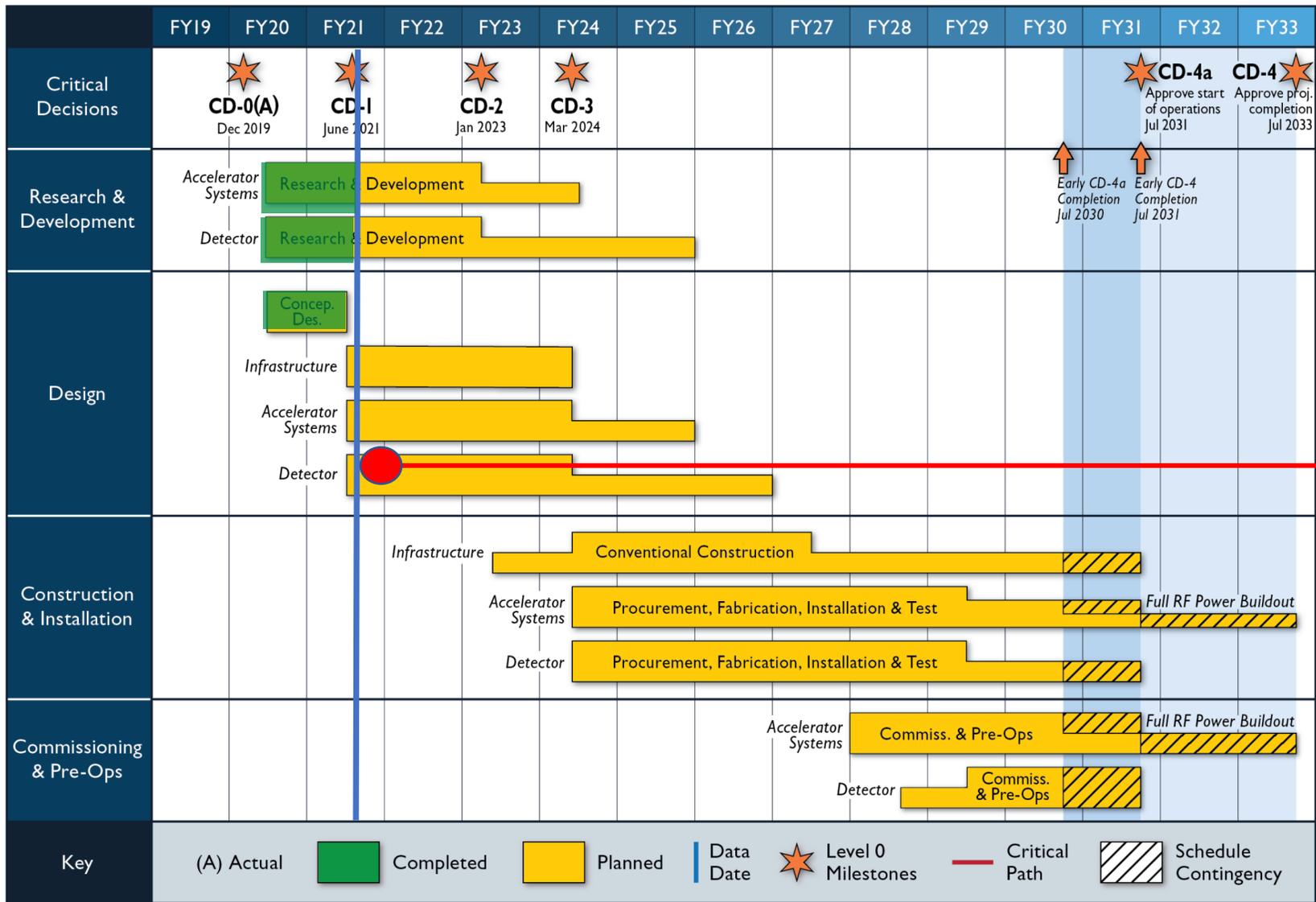
Following release of Yellow Report, issued a call for detector proposals

<https://www.bnl.gov/eic/CFC.php>

deadline 1<sup>st</sup>/December/2021



# EIC timeline and experiment selection



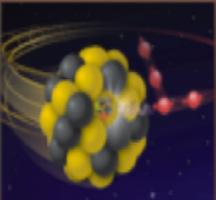
1/Dec/2021: Detector proposals (proto-collaborations)

- 1/Mar/2022 report from Advisory Panel
- we expect Jan-Jun 2022 intense period toward detector & final collaborations definition!

Key (A) Actual Completed Planned Data Date Level 0 Milestones Critical Path Schedule Contingency

## Kick-off meeting for EIC@IP6

<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/10825/>



### Kick-off Meeting for an EIC Detector at IP6 (EIC@IP6)

12-13 March 2021  
US/Eastern timezone

with 292 register participants,  
attendance peak at 197,  
no session with less than 130  
participants

- Overview
- Timetable
- Remote Login Instructions
- Contribution List
- My Conference
  - My Contributions
- Registration
- Participant List

Following the site selection for construction of the U.S. Electron-Ion Collider research facility by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in early 2020, the EIC Users Group led a year-long Yellow Report initiative to define the detector design criteria needed to realize the EIC physics described in the EIC White Paper, supported by the National Academy of Sciences. Using the Yellow Report as input, a Reference Detector concept was presented at the recently held DOE Critical Decision-1 review of the EIC.

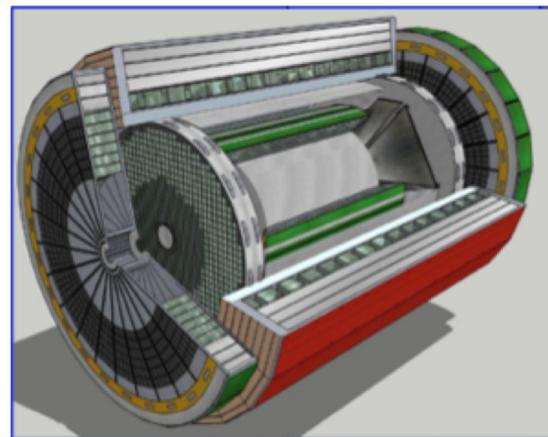
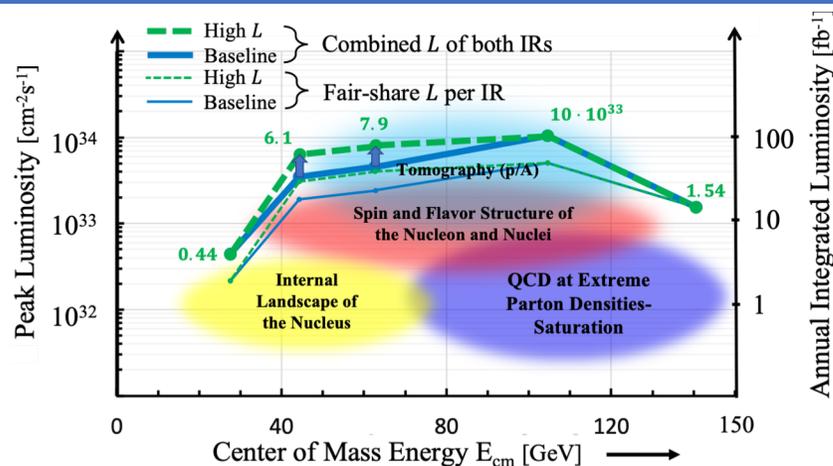
[A Call for EIC Detector Proposals](#) has been issued by DOE & BNL/JLab on March 6, 2021, with an expected proposal submission deadline on December 1st, 2021. The EICUG community's strong preference for two detectors has led to multiple exciting detector initiatives. We invite all interested groups and consortia to come together to plan for a detector inspired by the Yellow Report detector concept based on a new central detector magnet up to 3T, which could evolve into a concrete proposal and collaboration formation for IP6.

key points from the beginning:

- 3T magnet
- @IP6

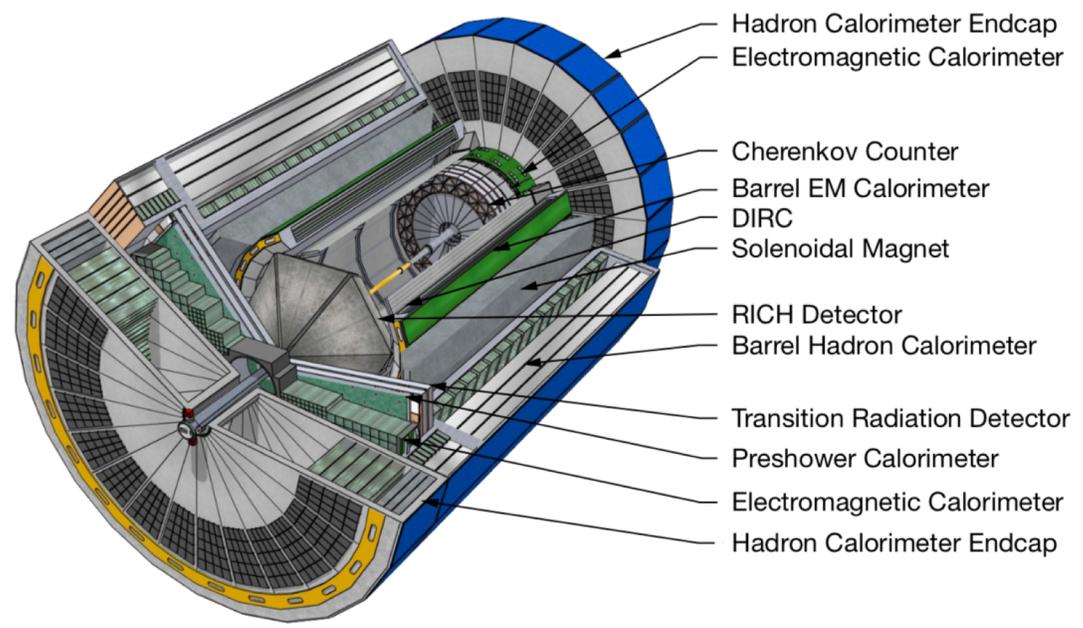
# ATHENA key points

- We want to cover the whole EIC physics program
- Build a proposal inspired by YR and CDR: use YR studies as starting point (and evaluate variants to "baseline detector" if useful/possible)
- Design the detector with a **new 3 T solenoid magnet** to better exploit EIC potential
- **IP6 choice** due to the advantages of the larger experimental hall
  - new solenoid with large bore diameter maximise IP6 potentialities
  - in July it was confirmed IP6 has 0.5 m extra space (very useful for forward region!)
- New detector components to exploit state-of-the art technology

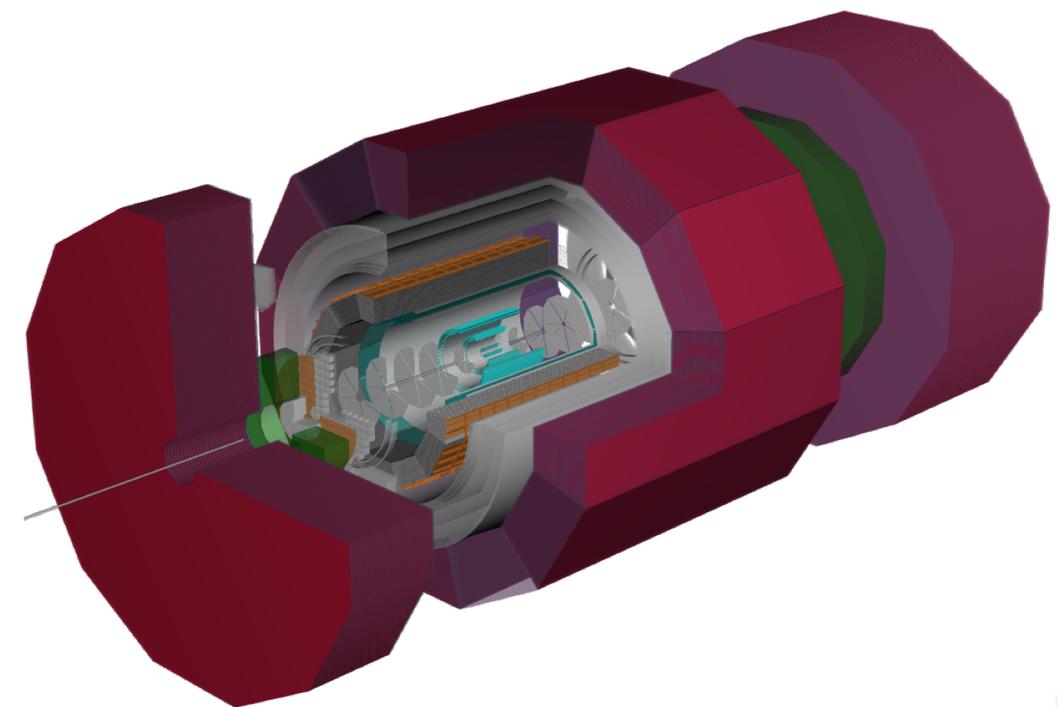




# Toward detector design (and simulation effort)



YR baseline detector



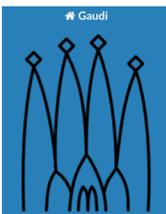
ATHENA in DD4Hep

Integrated simulation tool selected within DD4hep framework (full suite includes DD4hep (geom/G4 interface), Gaudi (data-algorithm), ACTS (tracking/reco), Podio (output format))

<https://dd4hep.web.cern.ch/dd4hep/>

<https://gaudi-framework.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html>

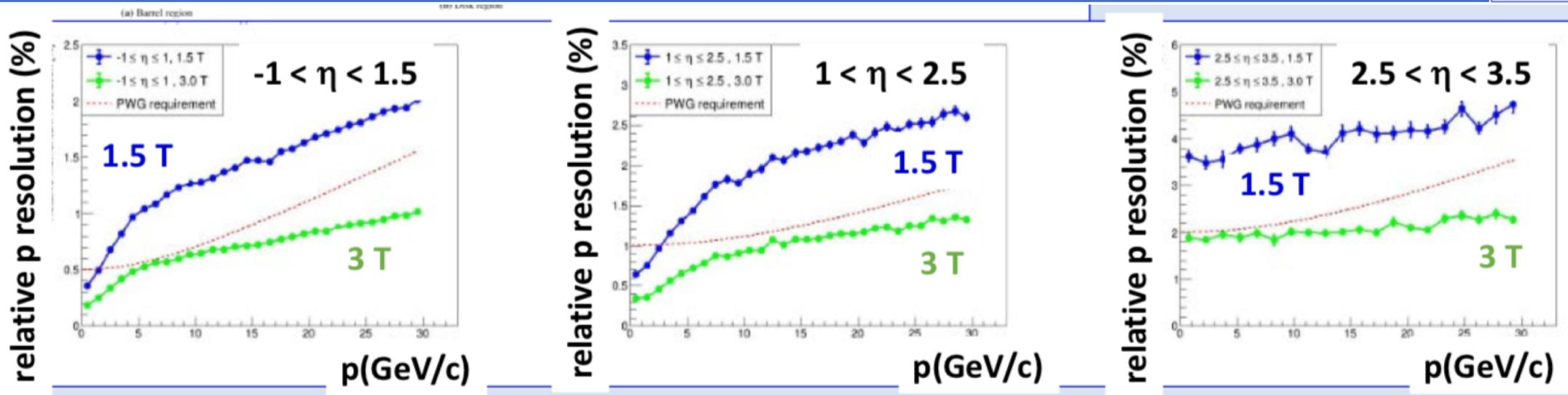
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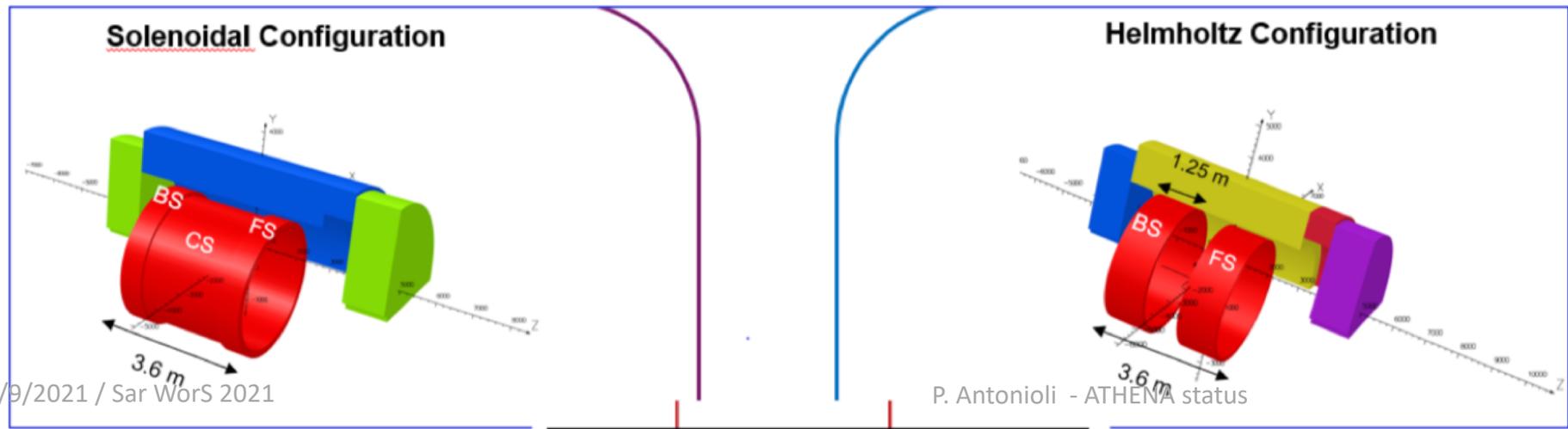
joint effort with ECCE toward unified(= fast/full) Simulation Toolkit: eAST

# the choice and design of a 3T solenoid

Simulations by  
H. Wennlöf, Birmingham



- key gain on momentum resolution, as expected, and below PWG requirements
- low field devoted runs might be operated to collect low  $p_T$  data
- a large bore diameter (1.6 m) for the 3T solenoid brings additional space for central detectors

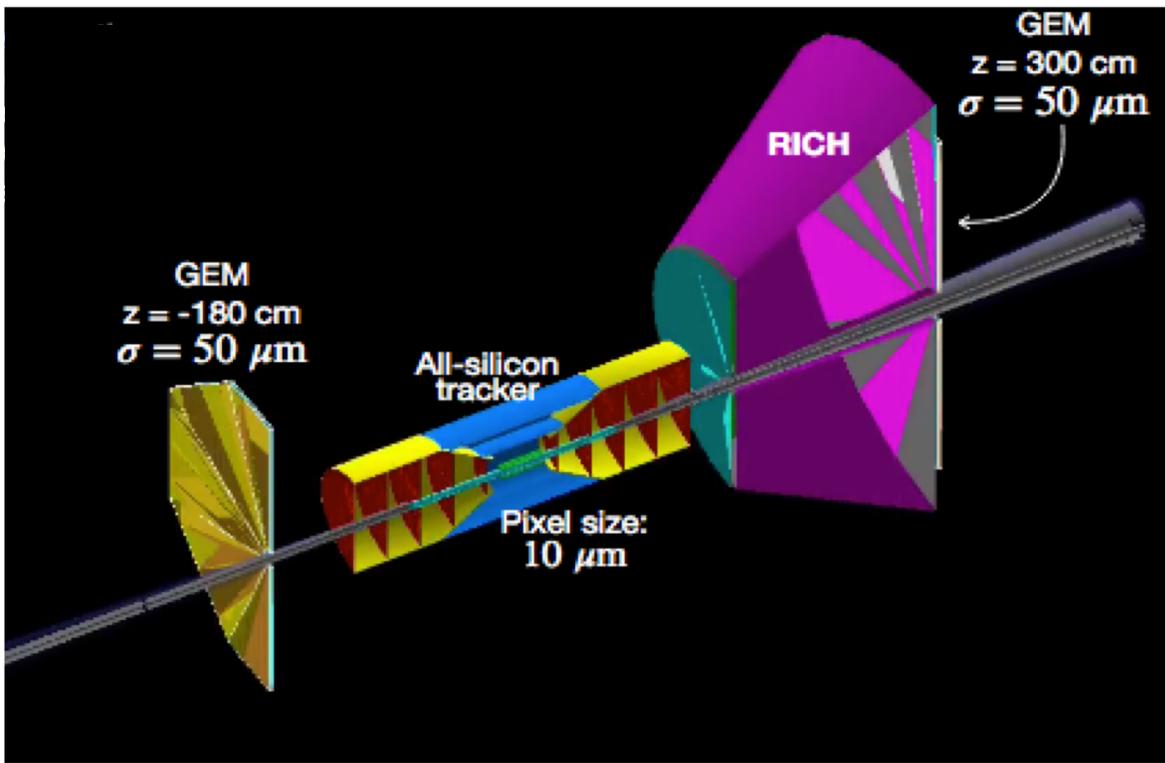


Different field configuration being tested

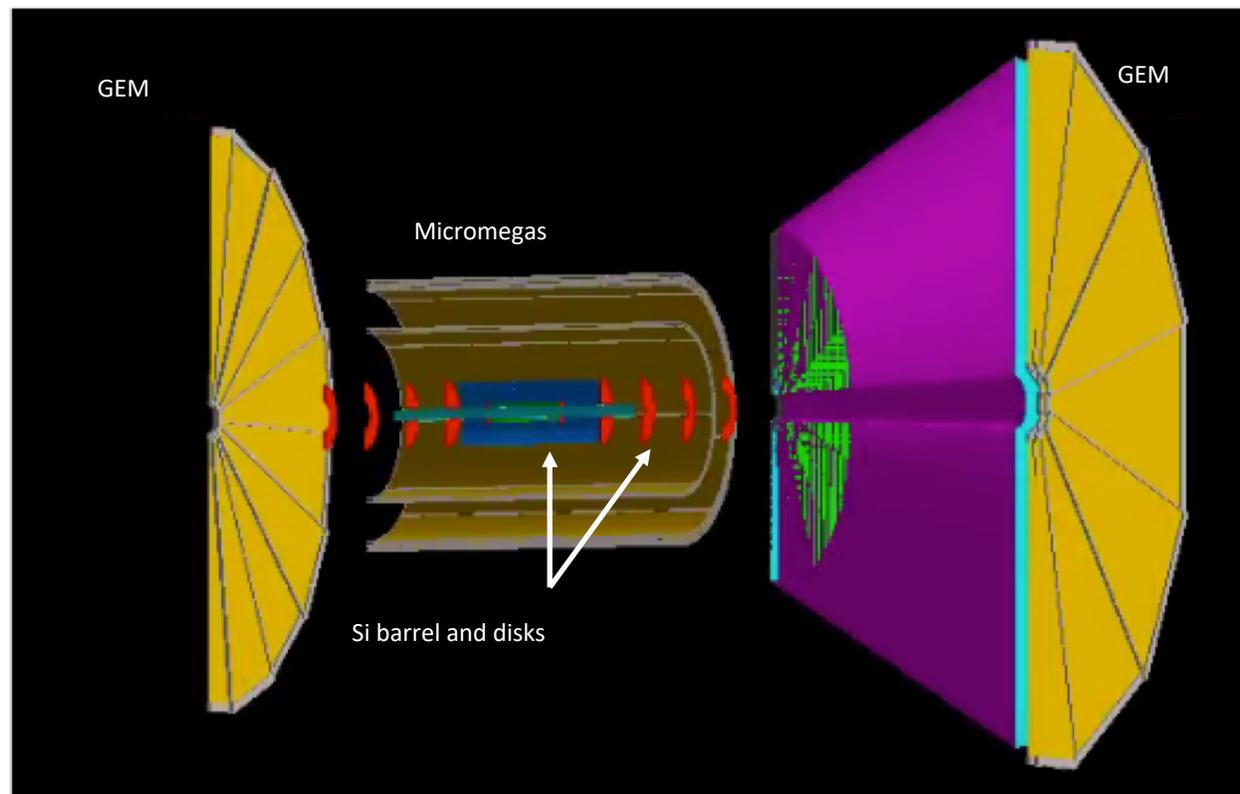
Parameter	Goal
$B_{IP}$ (T)	3.00
Bore radius (mm)	1600
Coil length (mm)	360

# ATHENA tracking (I)

all-silicon



hybrid



Same silicon and GEM technologies in both concepts, micromegas barrel layers in the hybrid concept; different layout configurations under test

- ALICE ITS3-derived **Silicon Vertex and Tracking detector**:

**10 um** pixel pitch everywhere

**0.05% X/X0** vertex layers → 2 (3) vertex layers for all-silicon (hybrid)

**0.55% X/X0** barrel layers → 4 (2) barrel layers for all-silicon (hybrid)

**0.24% X/X0** disks → 5 + 5 disks for both configuration

- micromegas (hybrid baseline)**:

✓ micromegas barrel layers to complement silicon tracking at central rapidity

✓ **150 um** both in z and rphi

✓ **0.4% X/X0** per layer → 6 barrel layers (hybrid)

more information: L. Gonnella <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/11463/contributions/52587/attachments/36366/59762/20210804-ATHENA-tracking.pdf>

# ATHENA tracking

resolutions & material budget evaluated for different configurations



all-silicon

L. Gonnella @ EICUG meeting

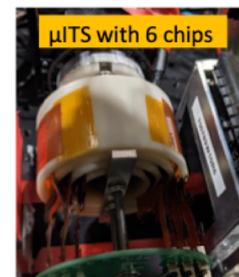
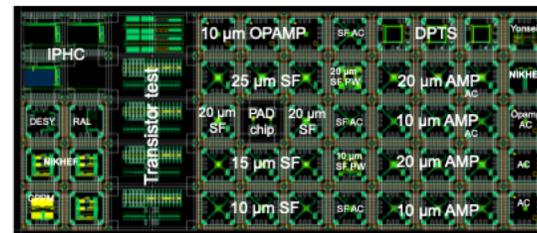
## Technology choice: 65 nm MAPS



- Only technology that can satisfy the EIC requirements
- Significant benefits in exploiting synergies with ITS3
- ATHENA members actively participating to the EIC SC activities to develop technology and detector concept, and integrated into ITS3 WP

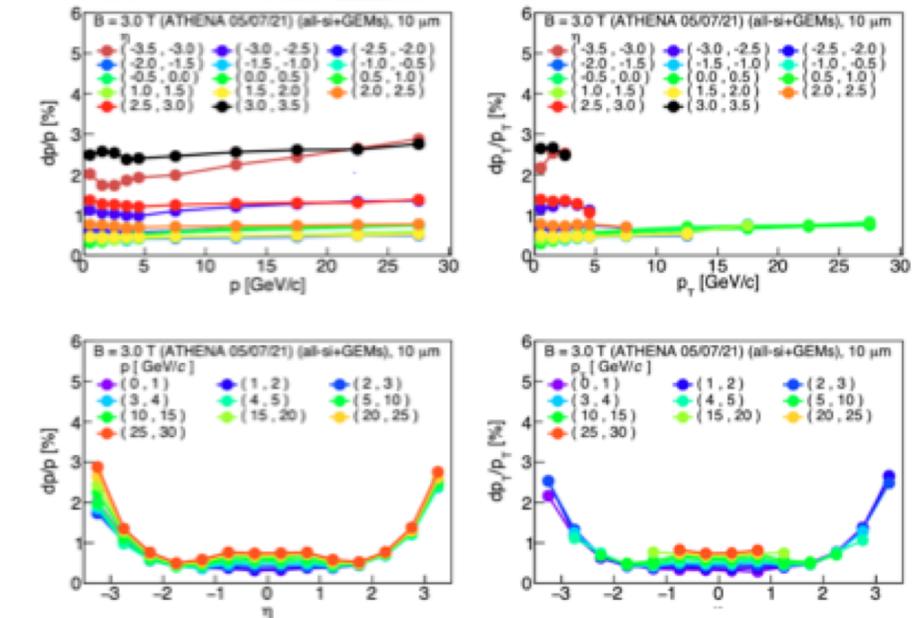
### Ongoing R&D

- **Sensor development** (with ITS3): MLR1 test structures received, testing about to start; design of ITS3 ER1 with stitched sensor ongoing
- **Vertex layers** (with ITS3): thinning and bending studies proceeding with super ALPIDE structure; test beam of  $\mu$ ITS with 6 bent ALPIDE chips
- **Barrel layers & disks** (EIC specific): work has started within the EIC SC to define disk concept; work ongoing with EIC project engineers

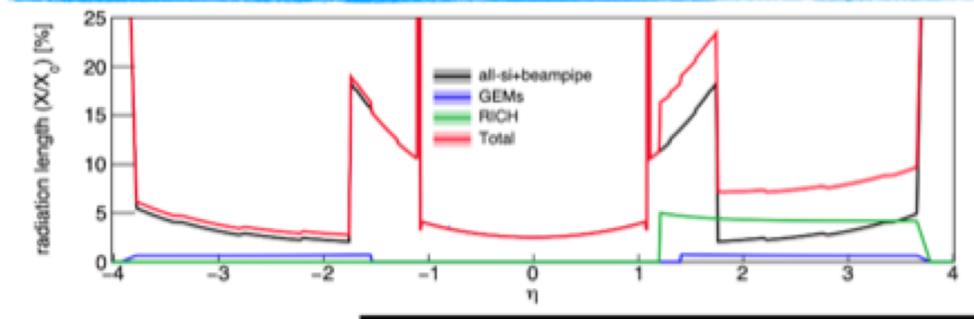


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### Momentum resolutions

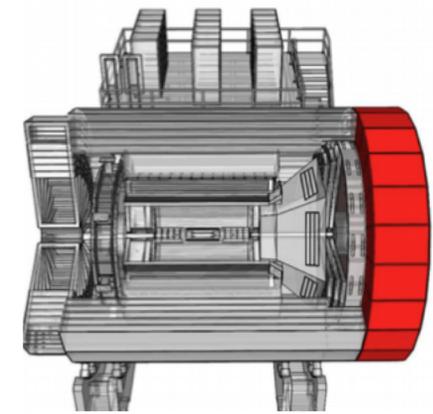
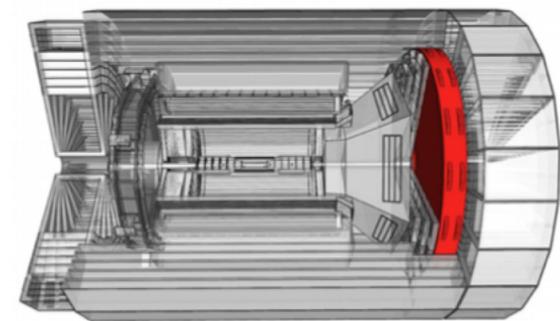
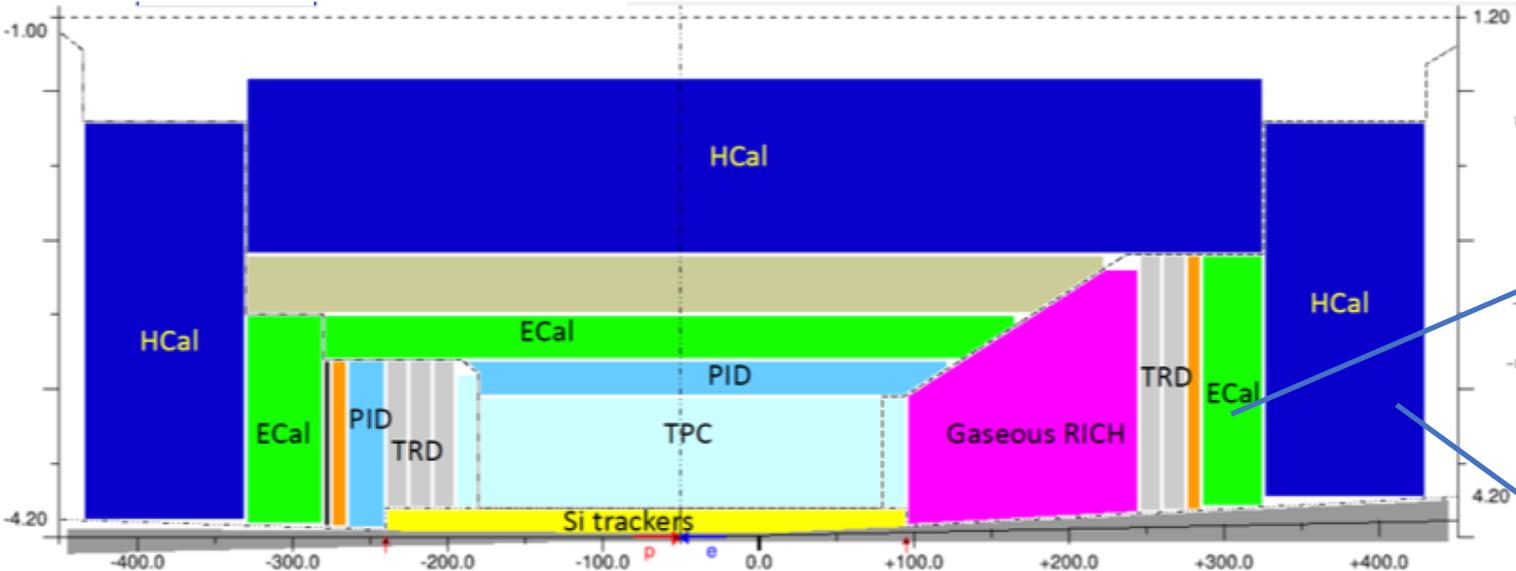


### Detector Material Budget



fallback solution on existing technology at 180 nm (ALICE ALPIDE)

# ATHENA calorimeters (I)



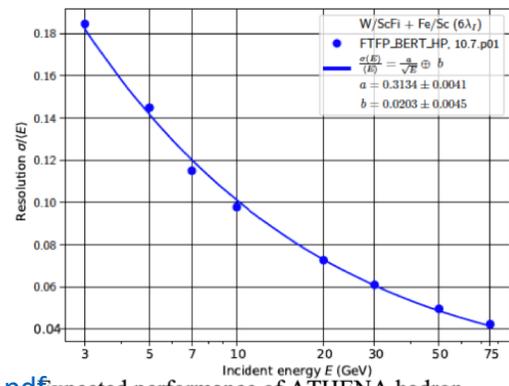
central detector: backward

- ECAL: hybrid: lead tungstate crystal ( $PbWO_4$ ) insert and SciGlass outer ring
- HCAL: Iron/Scint sandwich + WLS fiber

central detector: forward

- ECAL: W-powder/SciFi: very compact with good EM resolution (+ sPHENIX exp.)
- HCAL: Iron/Scint sandwich + WLS fiber

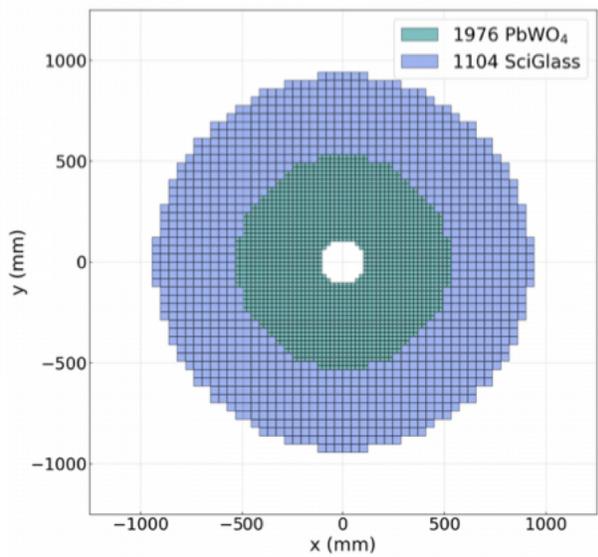
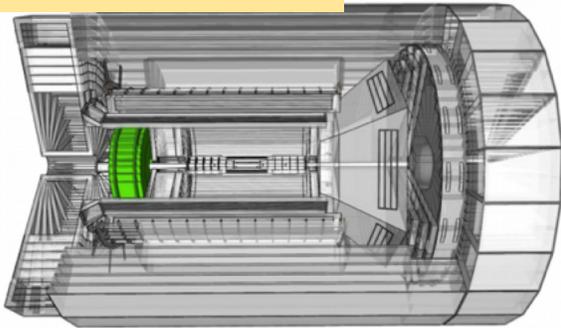
ongoing detector optimization (including total depth, layer thickness and granularity)



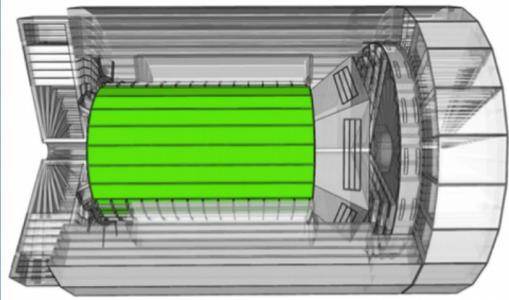
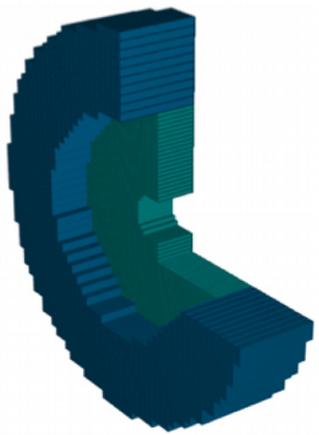
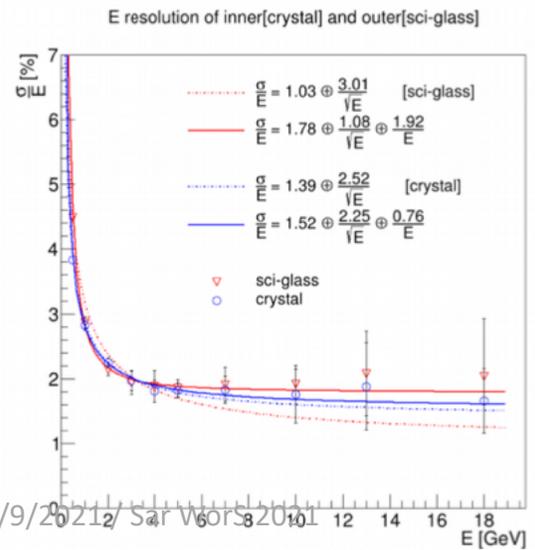
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# ATHENA calorimeters (II)

## EMCAL backward



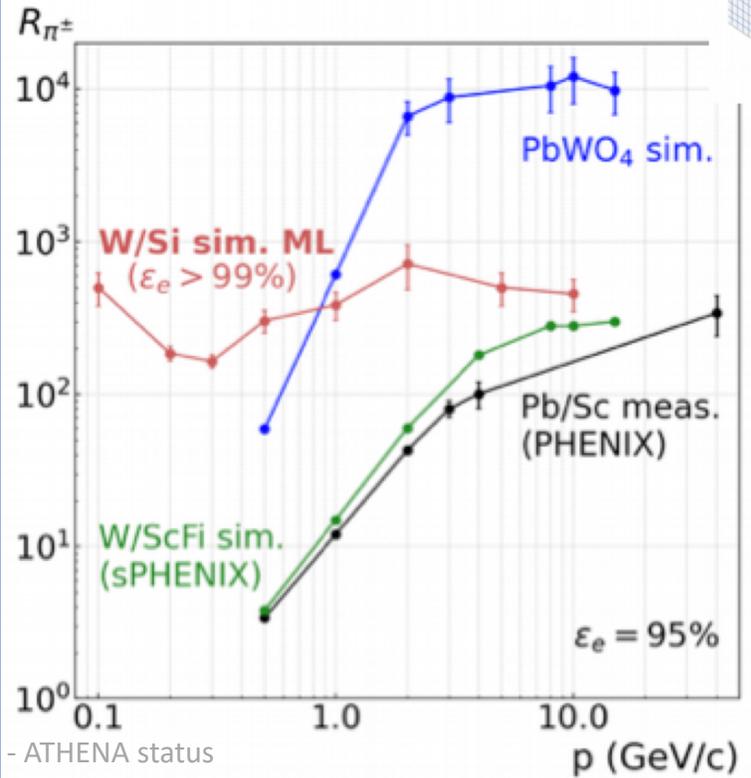
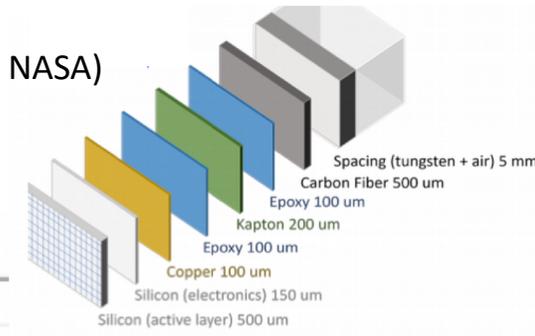
- sensors: SiPM
- production & cost issue for PWO crystals



## EMCAL barrel

innovative ATHENA design for EMCAL (central):

- Absorber(W)/ScFiber calorimeter in combination with a Si-based tracking calorimeter
- Monolithic silicon sensor (AstroPix from NASA) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.02665>]

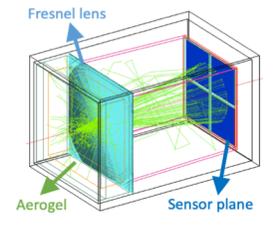
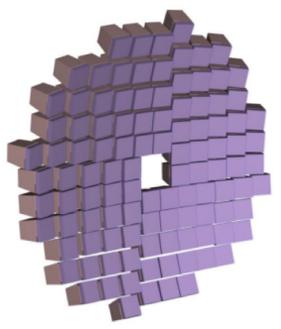


Provide better  $e/\pi$  separation at low energy!

LGAD to help PID optimization on-going!

# ATHENA: PID (I)

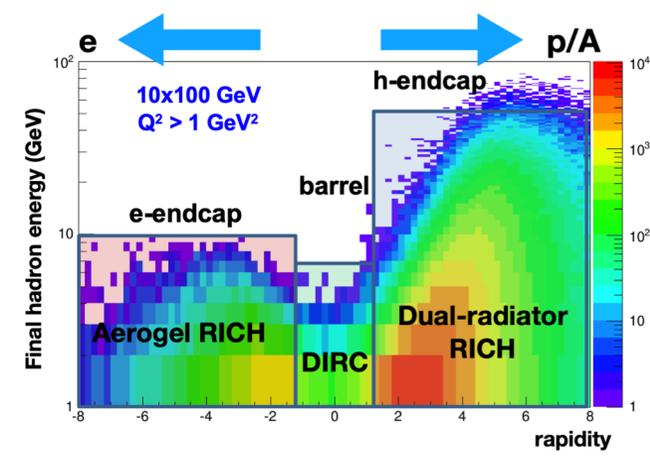
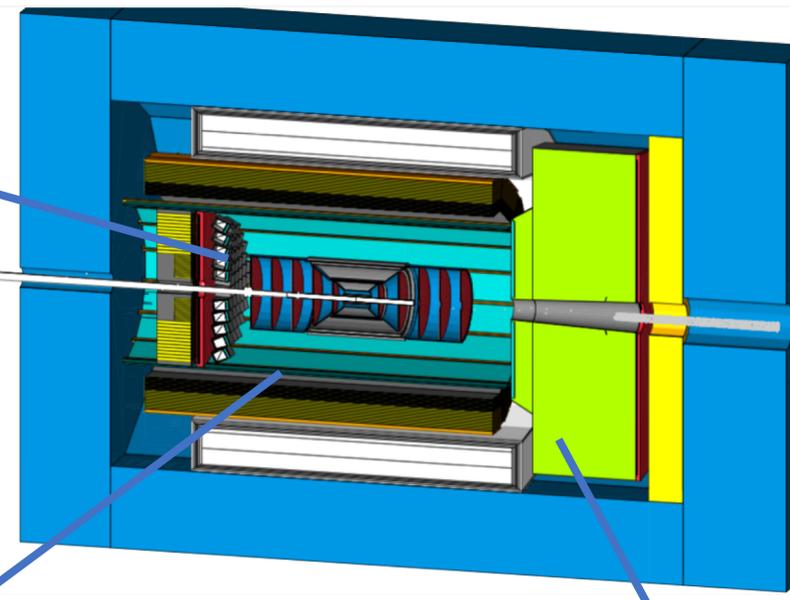
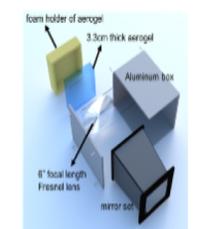
YR report baseline



mRICH



Modular and compact ring imaging Cherenkov (mRICH) PID detector for EIC experiments



dRICH

**HPDIRC: HIGH-PERFORMANCE DIRC FOR THE EIC DETECTOR**

Greg Kalicy, Nilanga Wickramaarachchi (CUA) for the EIC PID Collaboration (eRD14)

DIRC

Initial design based on the PANDA Barrel DIRC

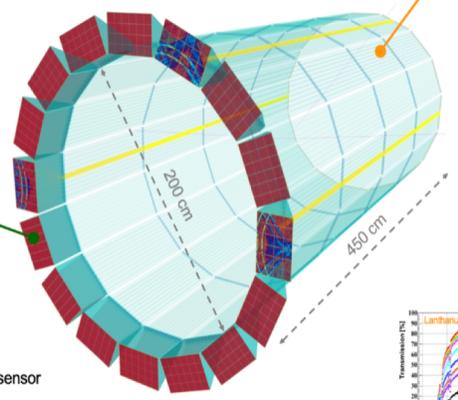
- narrow fused silica bars
- 3-layer spherical lens focusing
- fused silica prism expansion volume

Key improvements:  
smaller pixels, faster photon timing, radiation-hard lens, optimized algorithms

Photon detection

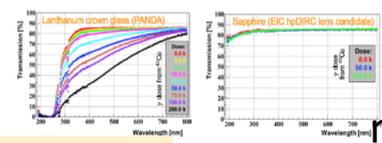
Efficient, fast single photon detection with 1 mm and 100 ps precision in high B-fields  
→ latest generation lifetime-enhanced MCP-PMTs (commercial or LAPPD™) or SiPMs

Readout: efficient, fast, low-power, matched to sensor  
→ waveform-sampling or FPGA-based electronics

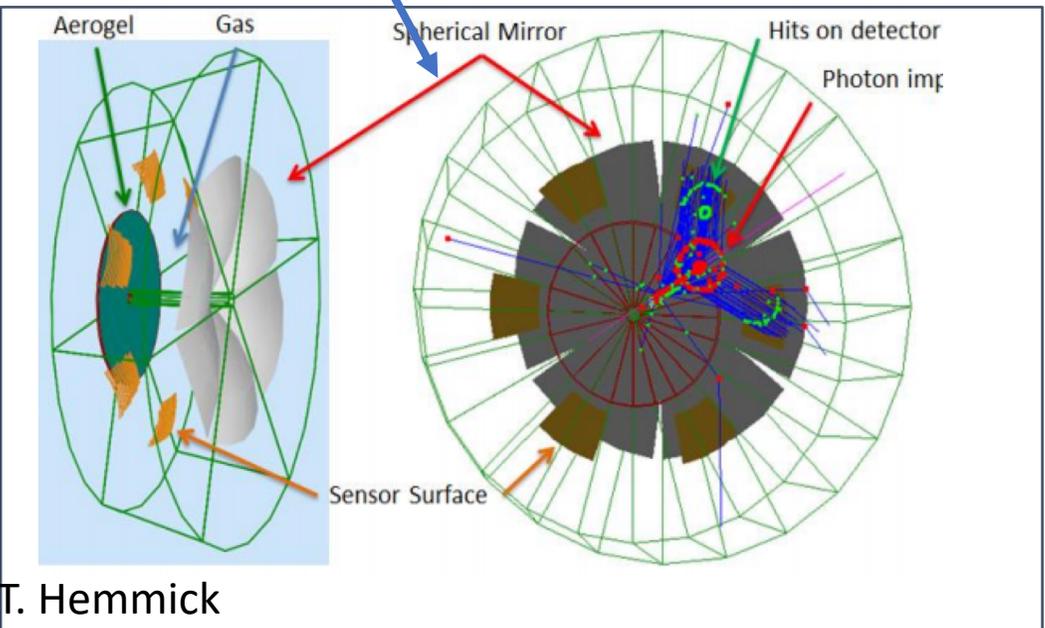


Optics

- Synthetic fused silica bars or plates**
- radiation hard, excellent transmission
  - create Cherenkov light, guide to sensors
- Fused silica prism as expansion volume**
- compact, reduces size of sensor area
- Novel multi-layer spherical lens**
- reduces number of required DIRC bars
  - low-loss focusing produces sharp ring images
  - 3-layer design creates flat focal plane using high-refractive-index lens material
  - identified radiation-hard materials for EIC



dual-Radiator Ring Imaging Cherenkov (dRICH)

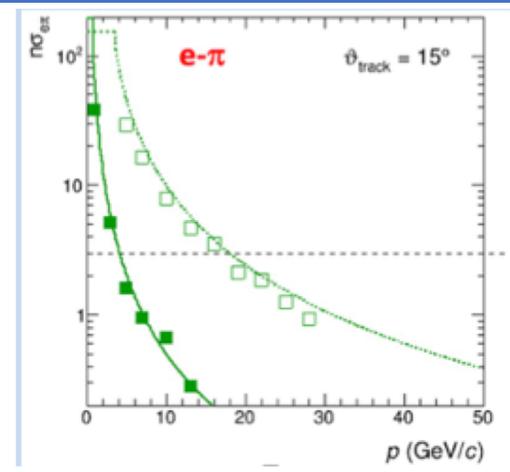
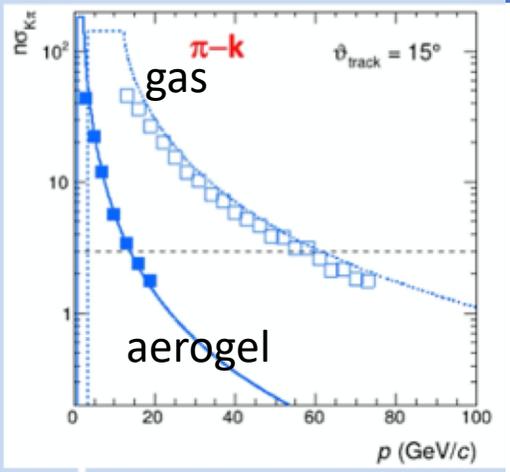


more info: T. Hemmick

<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/11463/contributions/52679/attachments/36354/59761/ATHENA-PID-v4>

additional LGAD-based TOF and/or cluster-counting dE/dx under discussion

# ATHENA PID (II) & photosensors

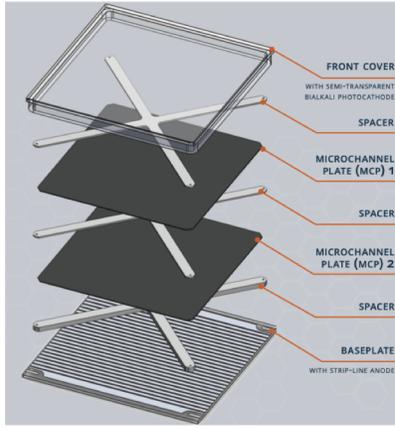


the common challenges of photosensors' choice for PID detectors

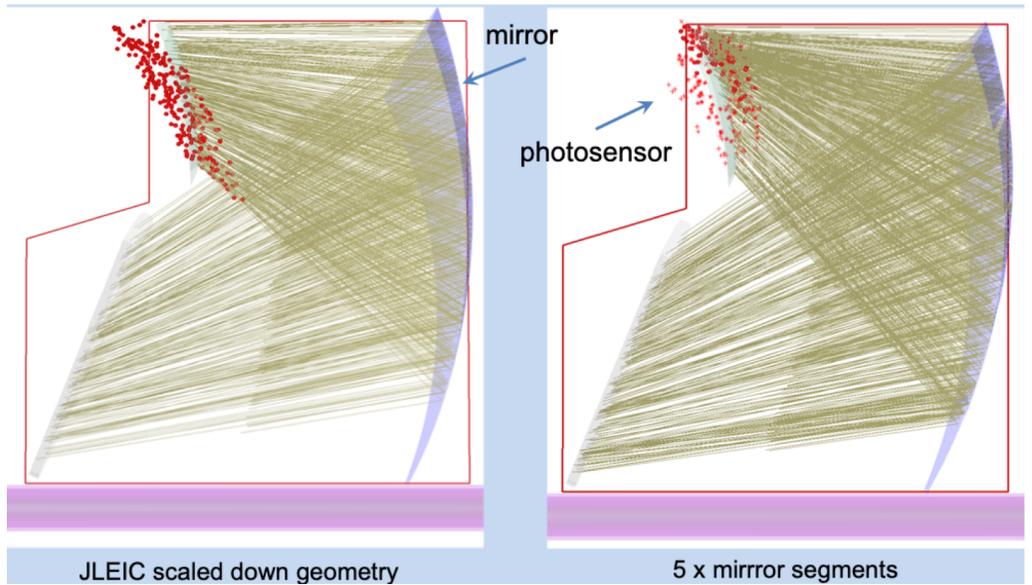
MCP-PMTs: commercially available (Photonis/Planacom)  
costs & sensitive to B-field

LAPPD: Argonne + Incom [www.incomusa.com](http://www.incomusa.com)  
R&D effort to evaluate B-sensitivity

SIPM: "mature" technology – no sensitive to B field  
BUT: radiation hardness  
single-photon detection for RICH



dRICH effective solution (YR baseline)  
Radiators: aerogel, ( $n \sim 1.02$ ) and gas ( $n_{C2F6} \sim 1.0008$ )  
Sensors outside acceptance  
on-going careful geometry optimization



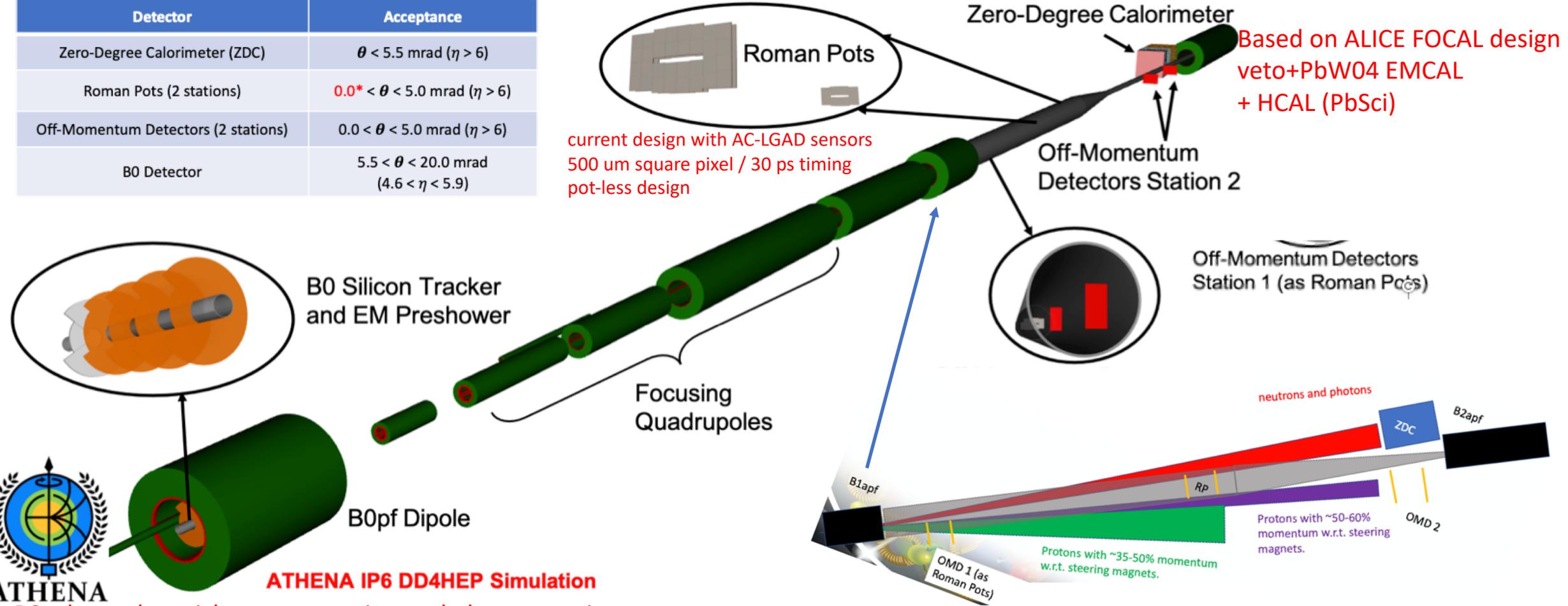
A dedicated effort for application at EIC by a cluster of INFN groups

- SiPMs from different producers mounted on a RICH prototype
  - Part as received
  - Part irradiated
  - Part irradiated and thermal annealing cycle
- Performance in a test beam
- Coupled to specific FE r-o:
  - ALCOR, developed for DarkSide

MULTIPLE MANUFACTURES	
SENSEL (OnSemiconductors)	microFJ-30020-TSV microFJ-30035-TSV
Broadcom	AFBR-SAN33C013
Hamamatsu Photonics	S13360-3050VS S13360-3025VS S14160-3015HS S14160-3050HS
FBK, Fondazione Bruno Kessler	custom SiPM

# ATHENA far-forward detectors

Detector	Acceptance
Zero-Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)	$\theta < 5.5$ mrad ( $\eta > 6$ )
Roman Pots (2 stations)	$0.0^* < \theta < 5.0$ mrad ( $\eta > 6$ )
Off-Momentum Detectors (2 stations)	$0.0 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad ( $\eta > 6$ )
B0 Detector	$5.5 < \theta < 20.0$ mrad ( $4.6 < \eta < 5.9$ )



Based on ALICE FOCAL design veto+PbW04 EMCAL + HCAL (PbSci)

- B0: charged particle reconstruction and photon tagging.**
- Precise tracking -> need smaller pixels (20-50um) than for the RP
  - Four tracking layers + silicon preshower with Pb converter for photon tagging.

Off-momentum protons have different magnetic rigidity  
Two stations allows more protons to be tagged before going through beam pipe material.



# Summary & outlook

- ATHENA effort well on track through EIC timeline: from a baseline YR detector to an ATHENA-baseline
- building blocks: new **3T magnet** with large bore diameter, **state of the art detectors, modern software**
- on-going MC production effort → performance evaluation during coming weeks!
- on-going progresses towards new magnet
- *Starting from the YR with optimizations and novel elements*
  - Full Si or hybrid tracking
  - A novel approach considered for Calorimetry in the barrel
  - Grid-pix miniTPC proposed for PID & tracking
  - Important steps forward to establish SiPMs as sensors for Cherenkov imaging techniques
- *Large integration of activities within the whole EIC community* (Si consortium, Calorimeters, Far-fwd/far-bwd detectors, Polarimetry)



## Sociological – scientific final comment:

- detector design / collaboration building is somehow a chaotic, lively and very intellectually stimulating environment in the life-cycle of an experiment  
→ big opportunities
  - COVID is making all this even more challenging, but what built in last two years (YR + proto-collaborations really remarkable!)
- contact us if interested!





# ATHENA at work: the WGs



## WGs and Conveners

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- **Semi-Inclusive Working Group**  
**CONVENERS:** Marco Radici, Anselm Vossen
- **Jets/HF/EW-BSM Working Group**  
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- **Polarimetry Working Group**  
**CONVENERS:** Ciprian Gal, Oleg Eyser
- **DAQ Working Group**  
**CONVENERS:** Alexandre Camsonne, Jeffery Landgraf