

# My Research activity

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# Background

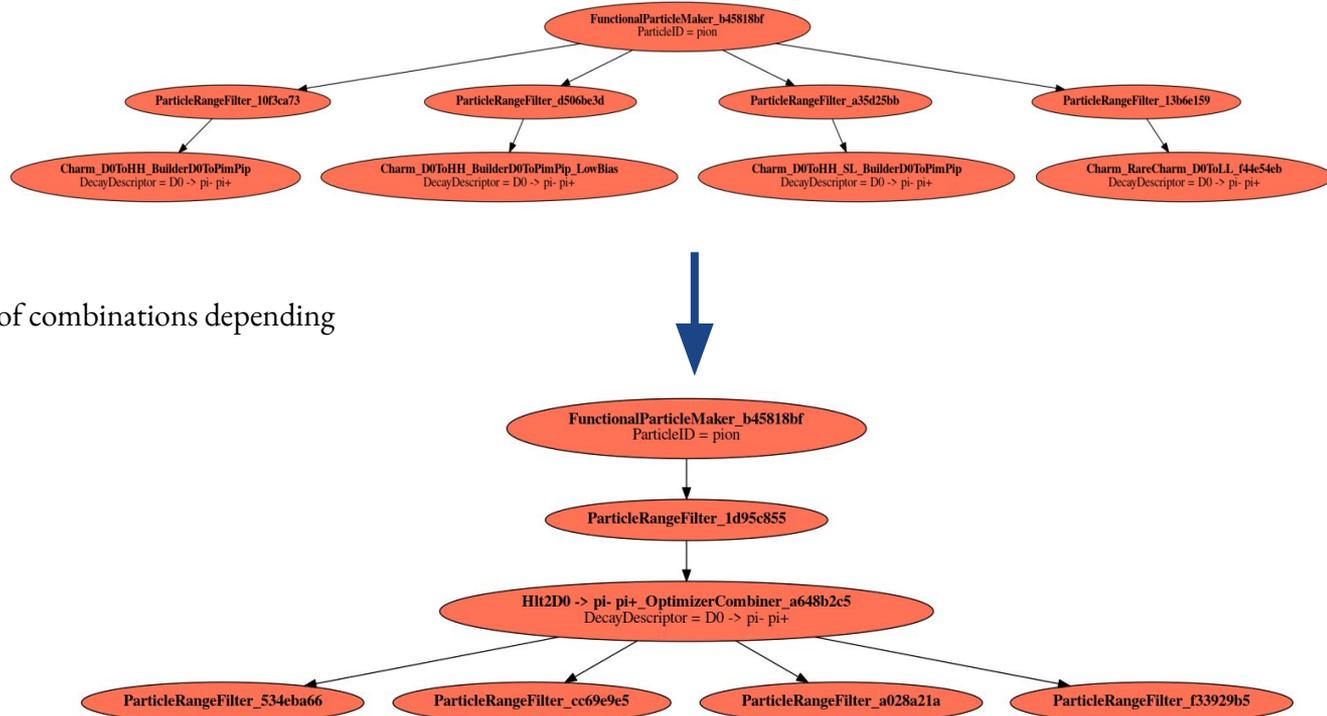
- Bachelor(Physics) and Master(Particle Physics) at Lund University
  - **Bachelor:** Convolutional neural nets for energy regression at LDMX
  - **Master:** Doubly charged higgs analysis at ATLAS
- Summer Student at CMS in 2022
  - Analysis of metrics for track characterization in the High-Granularity Calorimeter
- PhD, since October 2022, at LHCb
  - Nikhef/VU Amsterdam
  - SMARTHEP network
- Research:
  - **Trigger:** Optimization of combiners within HLT2 trigger lines
  - **Analysis:** Measurement of  $\Delta\Gamma_d$  parameter at LHCb

# Optimization of combiners

- LHCb trigger consists of ~1200 lines
- Lines consists of mainly filters and combiners:
  - Filters: Applies cuts on particles, ex: pt, eta or pid
  - Combiners: Iterates through all input combinations(2,3,4-body) and applies cuts
- Selection algorithms: ~30% of HLT2
- Lines consist of combiners that are quite similar
- Opportunity to reduce computational resources by combining these combiners

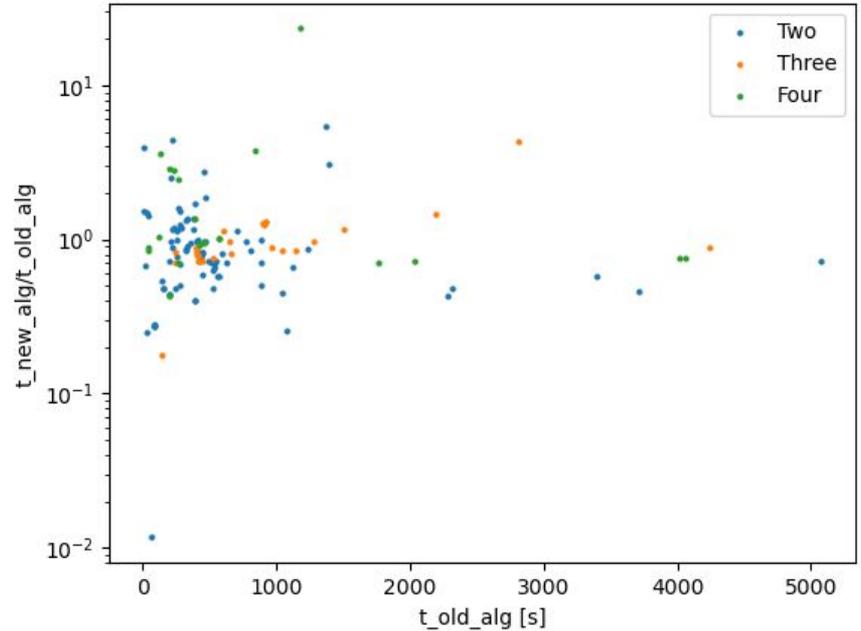
# Example: $D0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$

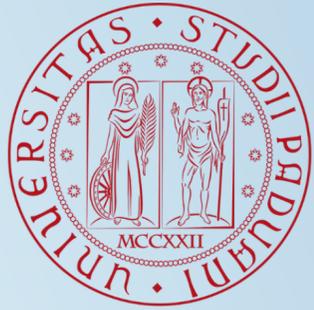
- Old version
  - 4 combiners
  - 10 lines
- New version
  - Superset
  - OR operator on cuts
  - Reduction or increase of combinations depending on overlap of inputs



# Performance before optimizing

- 134 sets of combiners
- Blind combination
- Optimization ongoing
  - Input overlap
  - Cut complexity
  - etc?





# Towards the design optimization of a Muon Collider Calorimeter

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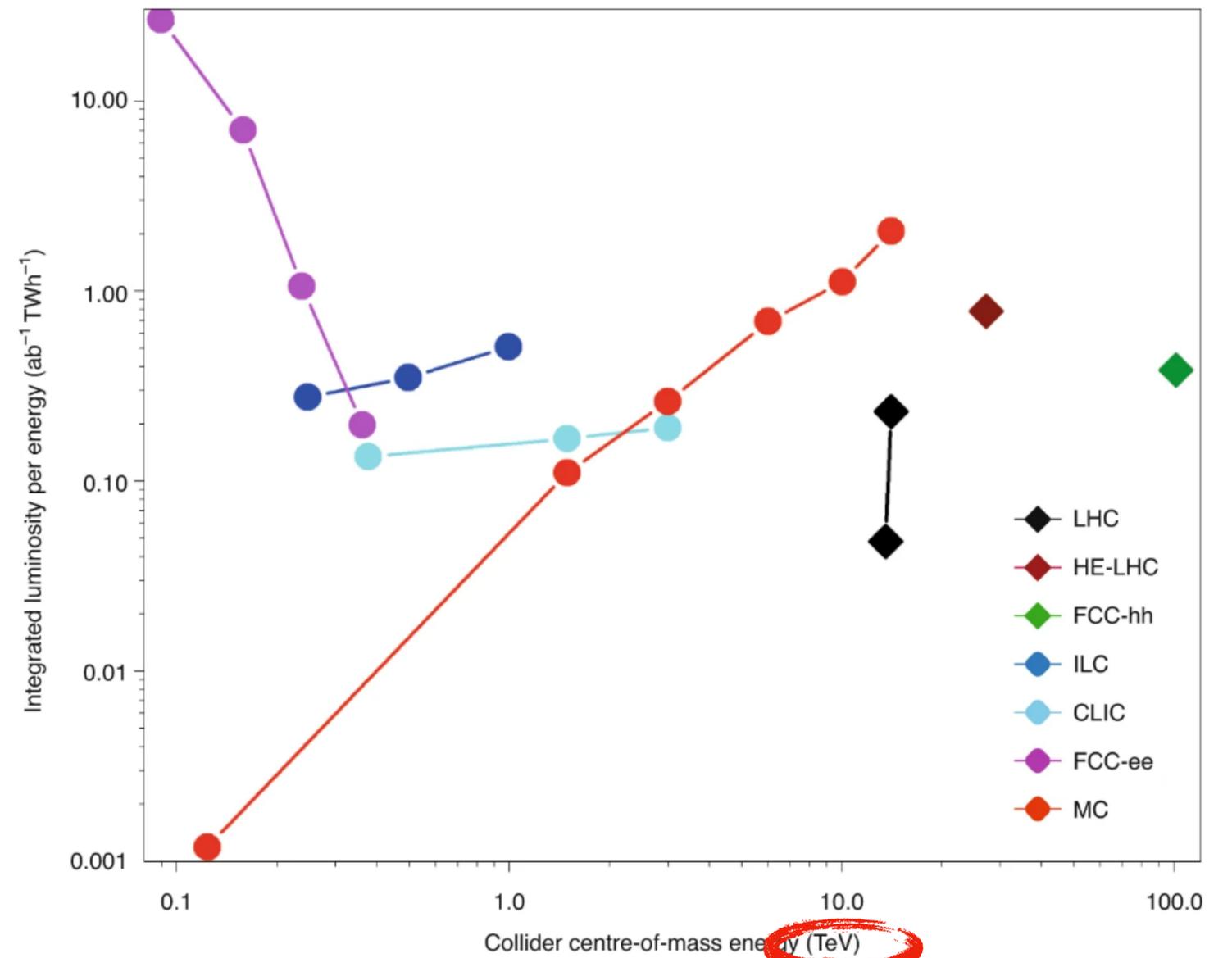
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# Introduction

## Why a Muon collider?

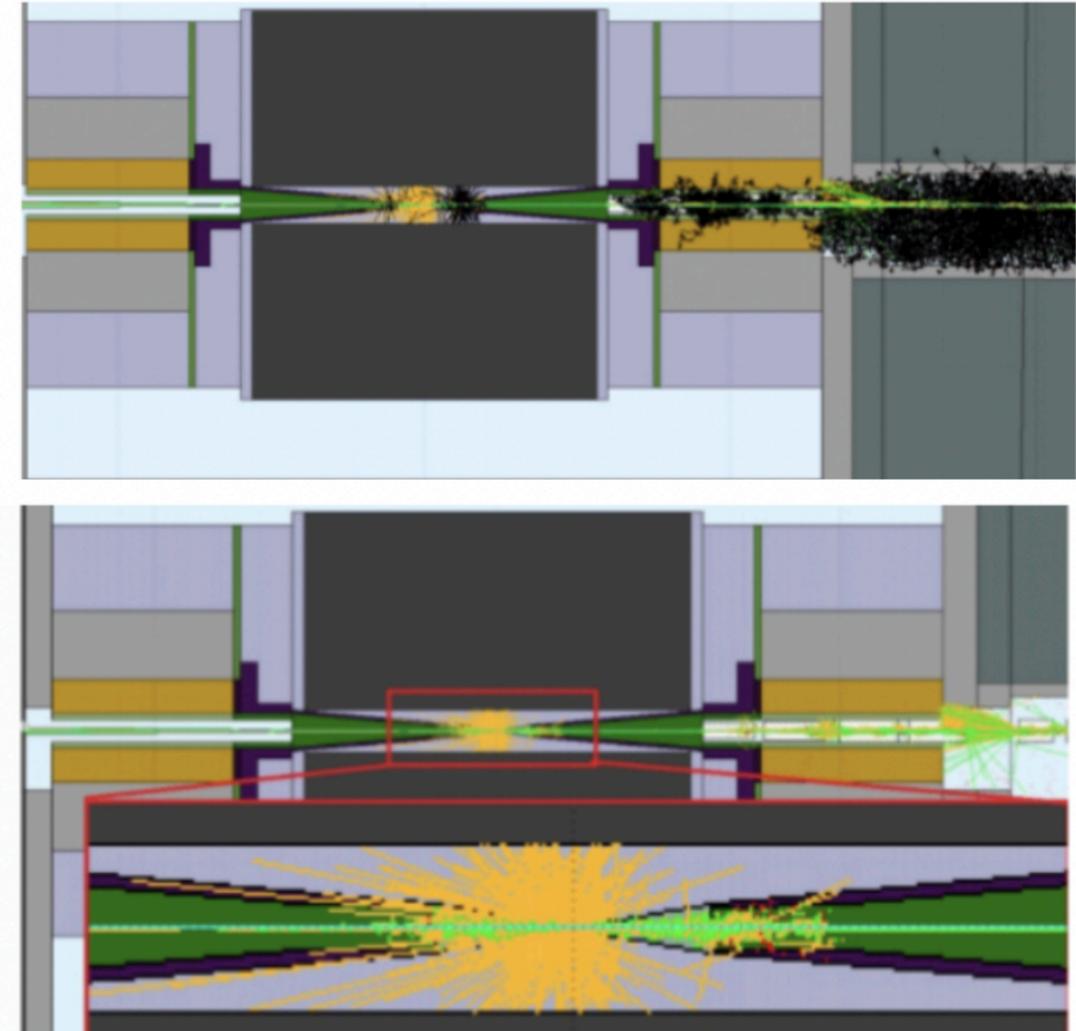
- Luminosity increases with center-mass energy
  - Competitive with LINACs
  - Most 'physics-per-dollar' potential
- Heavier than electrons: less radiative losses
- Lepton Collider: no pile-up effects
- Rather old concept, regained interest with the Snowmass Process
- Higgs Factory
  - $\sigma(\mu\mu \rightarrow H) \approx 40000 \sigma(ee \rightarrow H)$
- Dark Matter portals



# Muon Collider

## The BIB problem

- TeV-scale Muon Collider as strong candidate among proposed Future Colliders (no pile-up, access to DM portals, Higgs factory)
- Finite lifetime of the muon ( $2.2\mu\text{s}$ ) implies a cloud of high-energy decay product along the beamline, which interferes with the instrumentation (Beam-Induced Background - BIB)
- During preliminary Machine-Detector Interface design, a double-cone nozzle has been included to shield the detector from BIB radiation

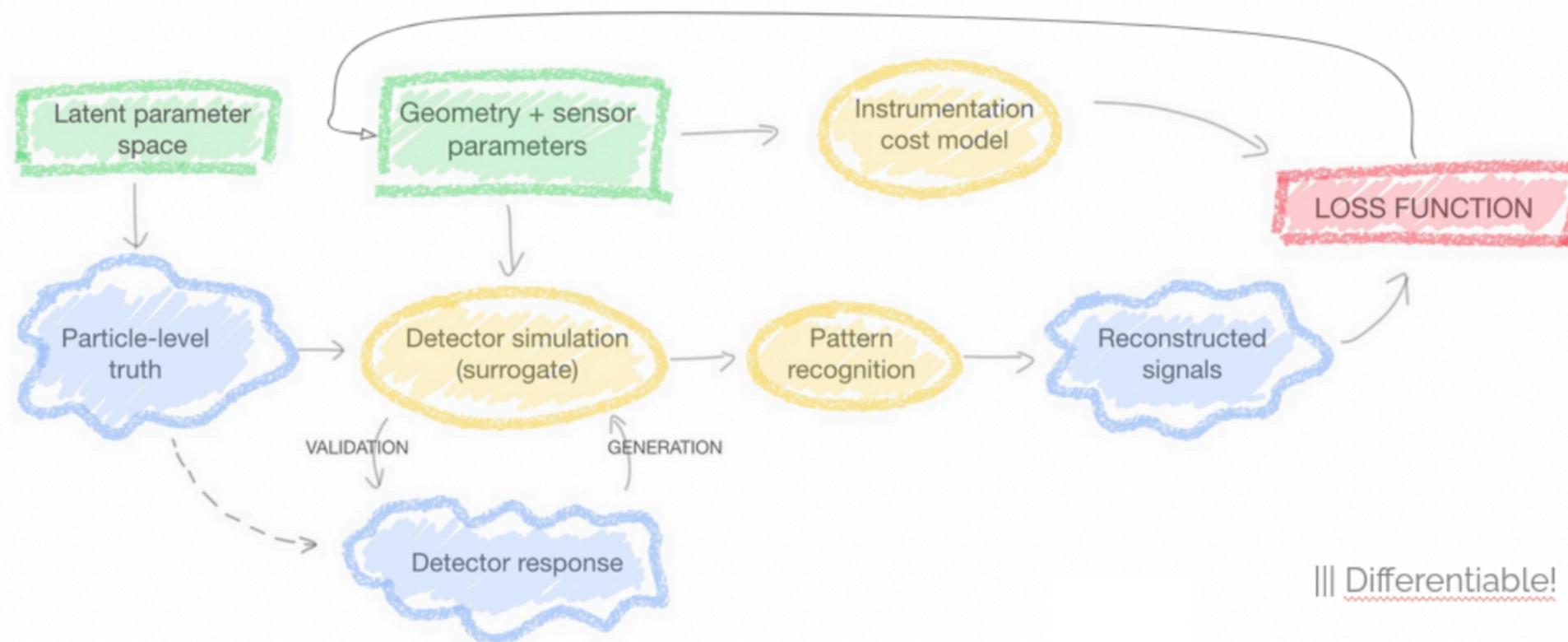


Visualizations from FLUKA BIB simulation. Black: neutrons, other: photons

# Muon Collider

## Optimization Workflow

- End objective: design optimization study approached with AD techniques
- Development of a pipeline to propose an optimal configuration in terms of **signal-to-background discrimination** and instrumentation **cost**

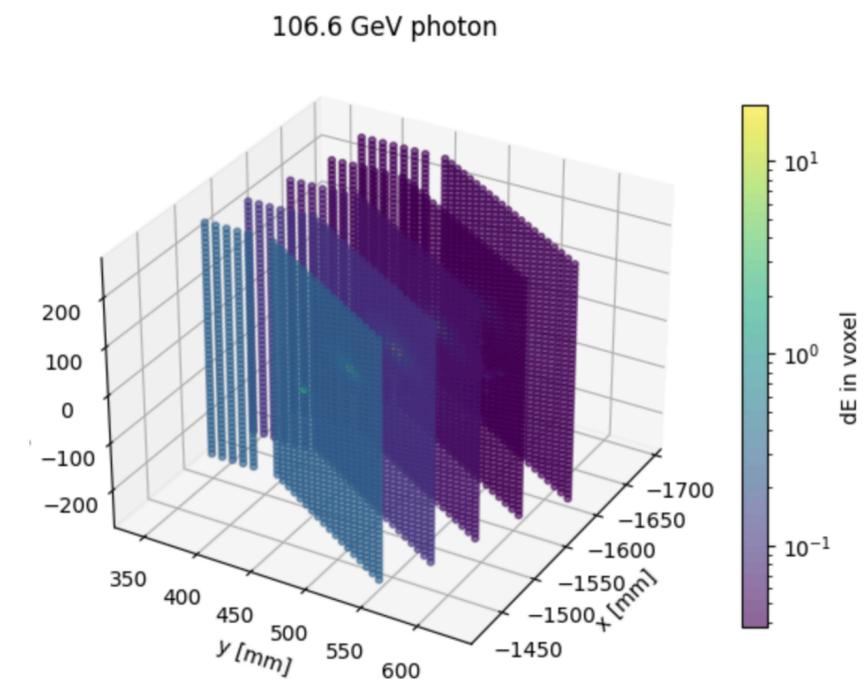


- Based on 3 main core methods
- Provide information encoded in a utility function
- Minimized using AD libraries (PyTorch, Tensorflow)

# Object Condensation

## Setup

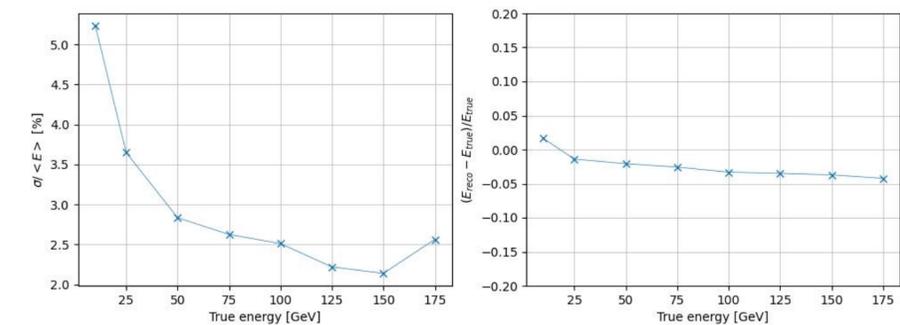
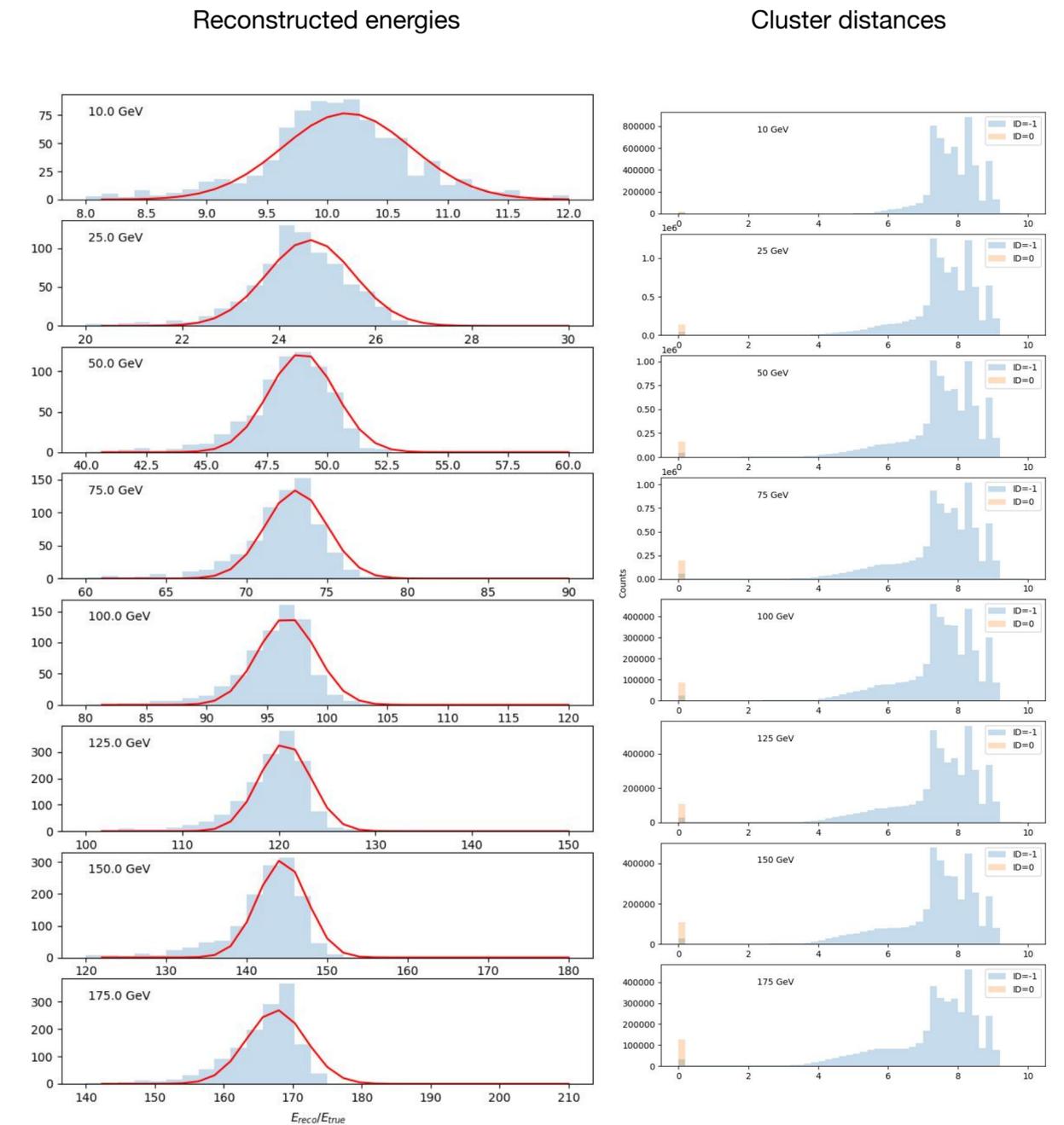
- To reconstruct signals in ECal we test DeepJetCore, a package developed for the reconstruction of jets in the High-Granularity Calorimeter developed for the CMS upgrade for the High-Luminosity LHC runs
- Core is a Graph Neural Network that clusters the data, whose dimensionality has been reduced by filter layers.
- Clustering performed through the identification of one condensation point for each object, and the subsequent minimization of a loss function



# Muon Collider

## OC: Preliminary results - Clustering

- Decent reconstruction efficiencies, comparable with ParticleFlow for simple monochromatic events
- Acceptable clustering performances for signal vs background classification
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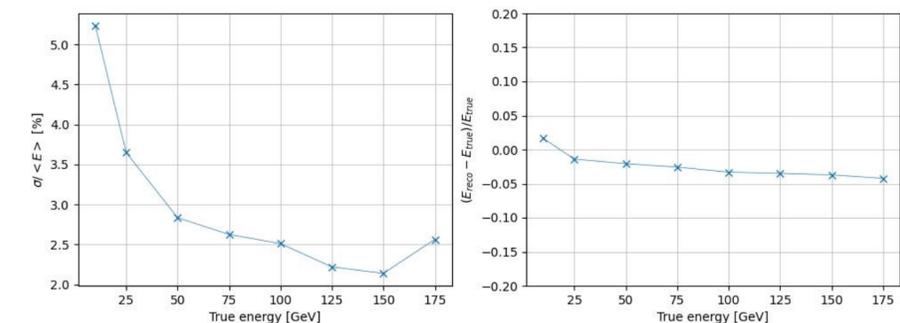
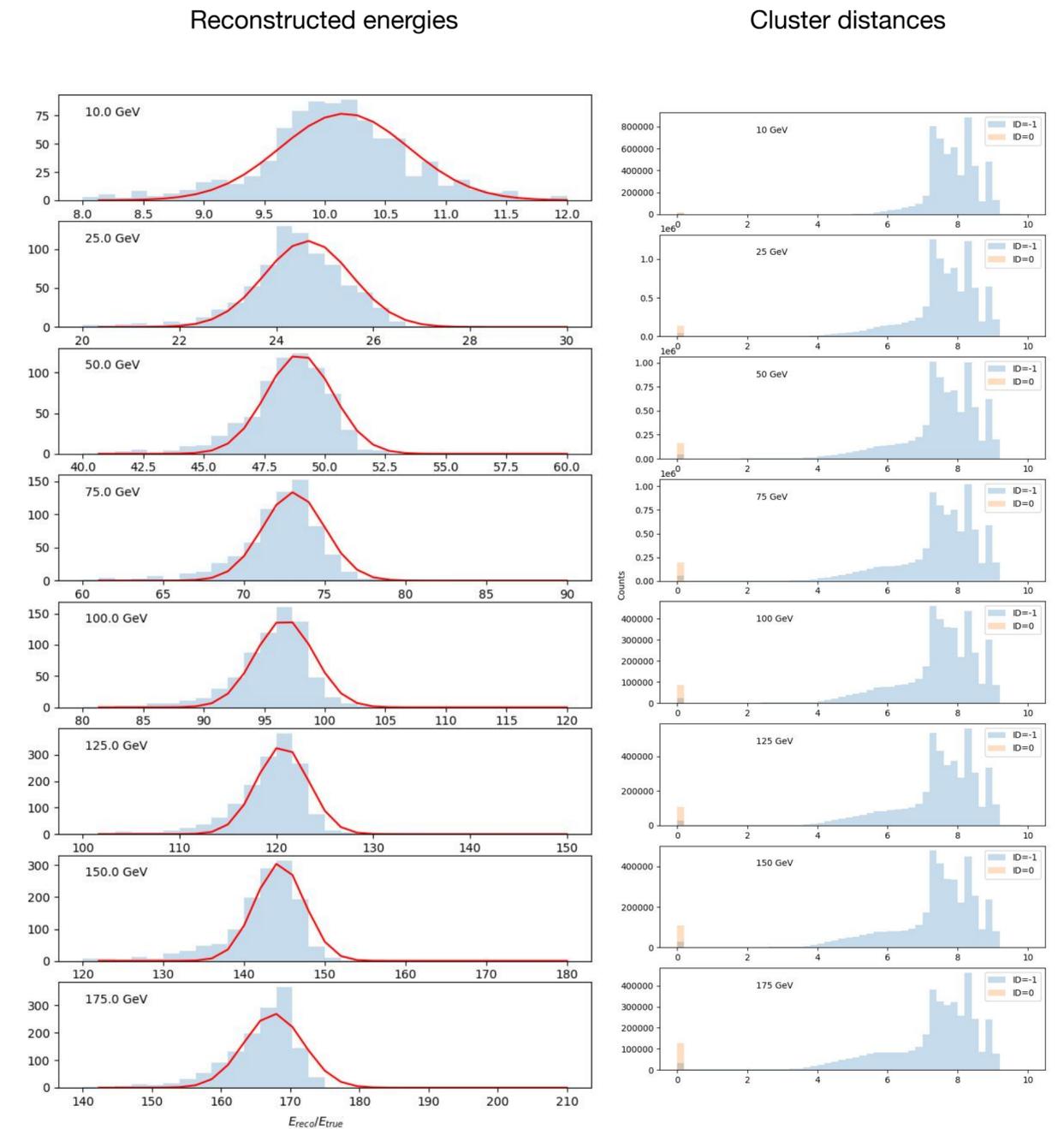


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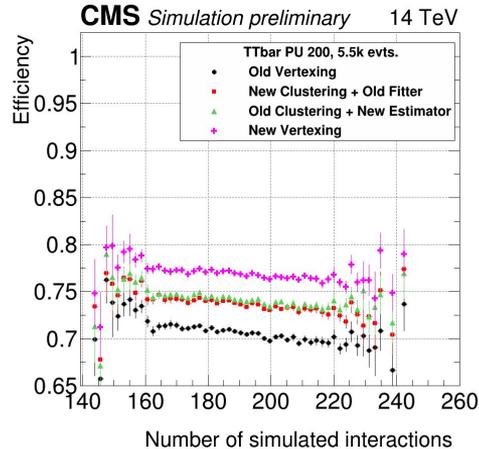
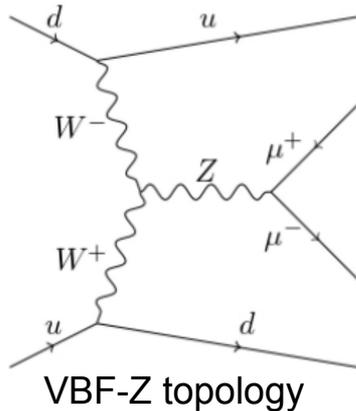
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04/10/23 - 12/10/23

Giorgio Pizzati

# Research activities

- I'm a second year Ph.D. student in Milano-Bicocca working for CMS
- Mainly working on the Vector Boson Fusion of the Z analysis for Run 2 with Effective Field Theory interpretations
- Have been working on the speedup of the primary vertex offline reconstruction of CMS with the main target being Phase 2 of LHC



Algorithm label	P.V. Producer Time per event [ms]
Old Vertexing	$913.0 \pm 3.5$
New Clustering + Old Fitter	$368.0 \pm 1.3$
Old Clustering + New Estimator	$512.6 \pm 3.3$
New Vertexing	$145.7 \pm 0.7$

# Offline Primary Vertex Reconstruction

- Primary vertex reconstruction in CMS is a two steps process:
  - Clustering of tracks impact points -> initial vertices position
  - Fit vertices parameters
- In CMS the Deterministic Annealing is used for the clustering step and an Adaptive Vertex Fitter<sup>1</sup> for the fitting
- We developed two algorithms to speed up both steps and to leverage parallel execution (GPU porting ongoing):
  - For the clustering we split tracks into blocks (based on z position) and perform the DA independently
  - For the fitting we adopted a weighted mean with outlier rejection that is run independently between vertices
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<sup>1</sup> Kalman Filter with outlier rejection

# A novel drift-chamber tracking system for $\nu$ -interaction studies

Alessandro Ruggeri on behalf of the Nu@FNAL Bologna group

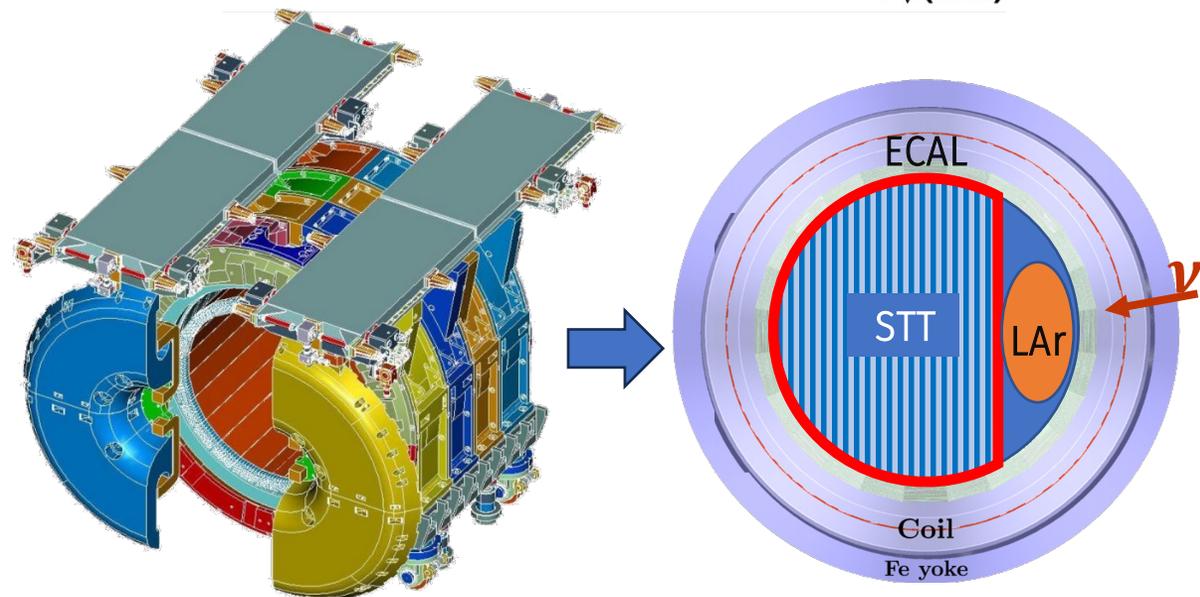
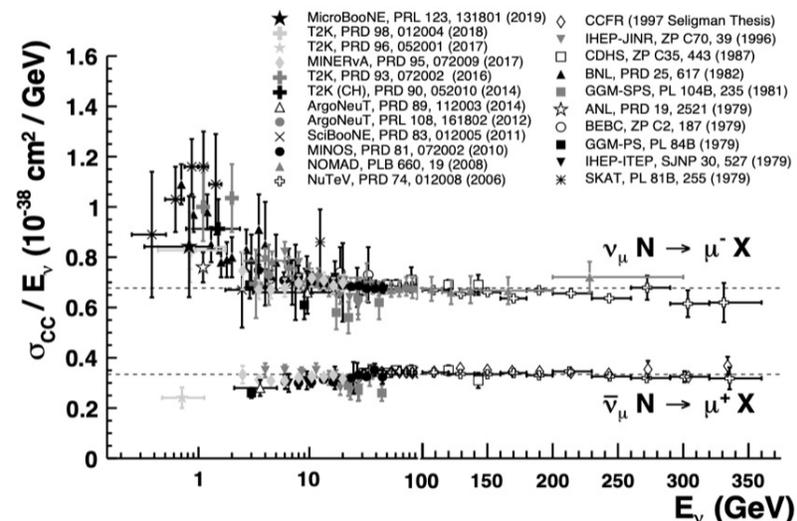
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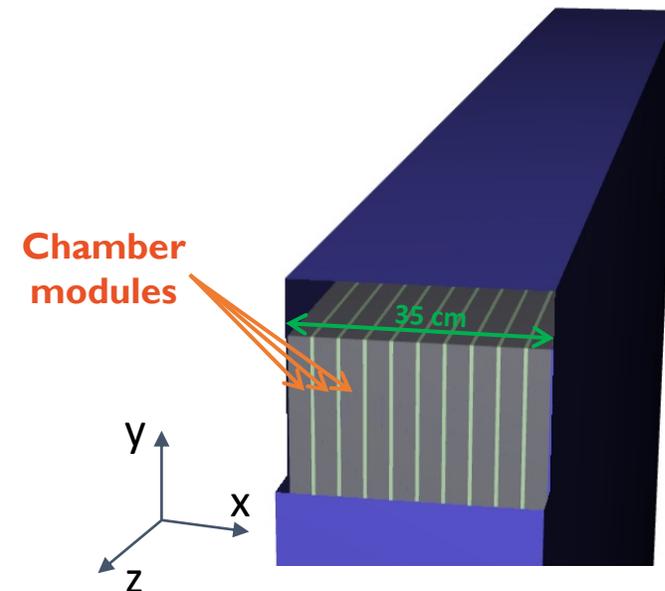
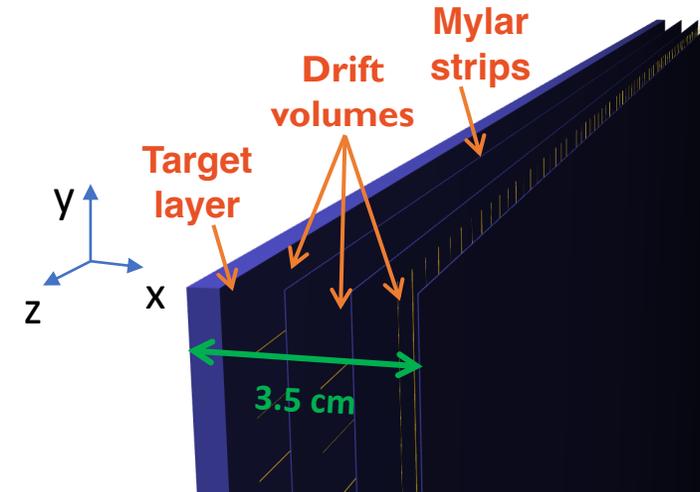
# Cross-section measurements at DUNE-ND

- Uncertainties in neutrino cross sections at the energy range of the future DUNE and HK are currently of **10-30%**.
- GeV neutrino **cross section** measurements on **different targets** needed to complement FD/ND cancellation.
- At the **ND-complex of DUNE**, the **SAND** multi-purpose detector aims at measuring  $\nu/\bar{\nu}$  cross sections on different targets with its **tracking system**.
- This study is alternative to the base **tracker design**, currently using Straw Tubes.



# Detector concept

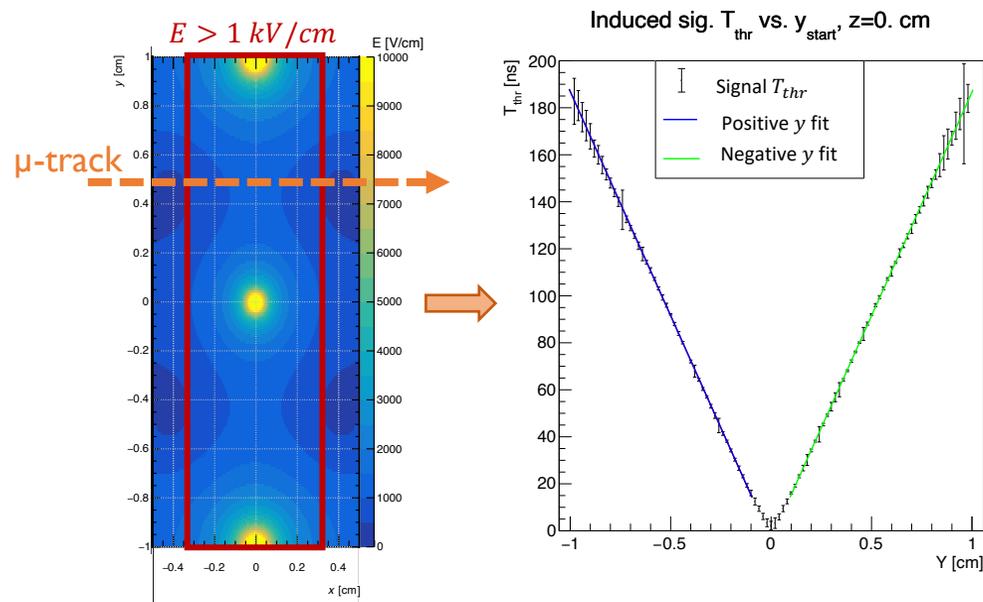
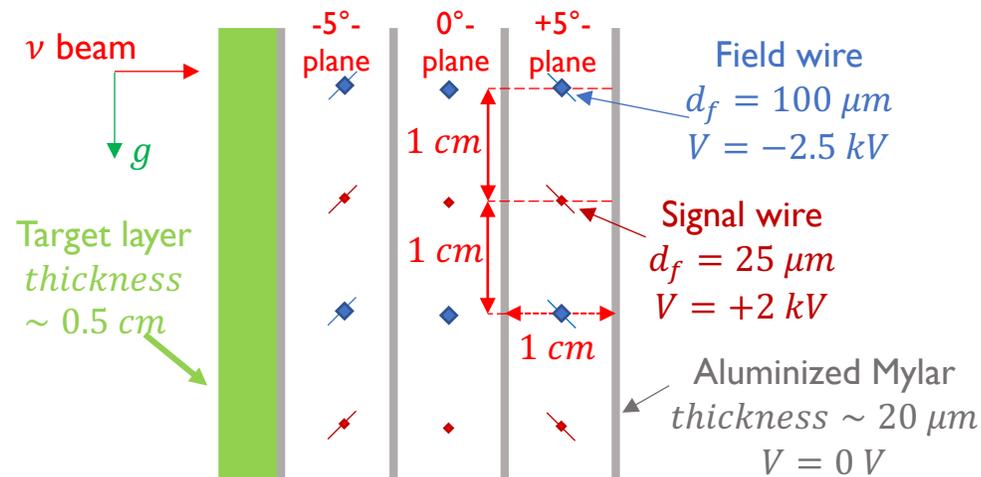
- Modular tracking system based on drift chambers with distributed target mass.
- Separation of  $\nu$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  interactions in the magnetized volume.
- Chamber modules consisting of:
  - A target layer of the required material.
  - Three wire planes in a  $-5^\circ$ ,  $0^\circ$ ,  $+5^\circ$  configuration with respect to the B-field axis.
- L-R ambiguity reduction and an optimal spatial resolution in the bending direction.



# Cell layout

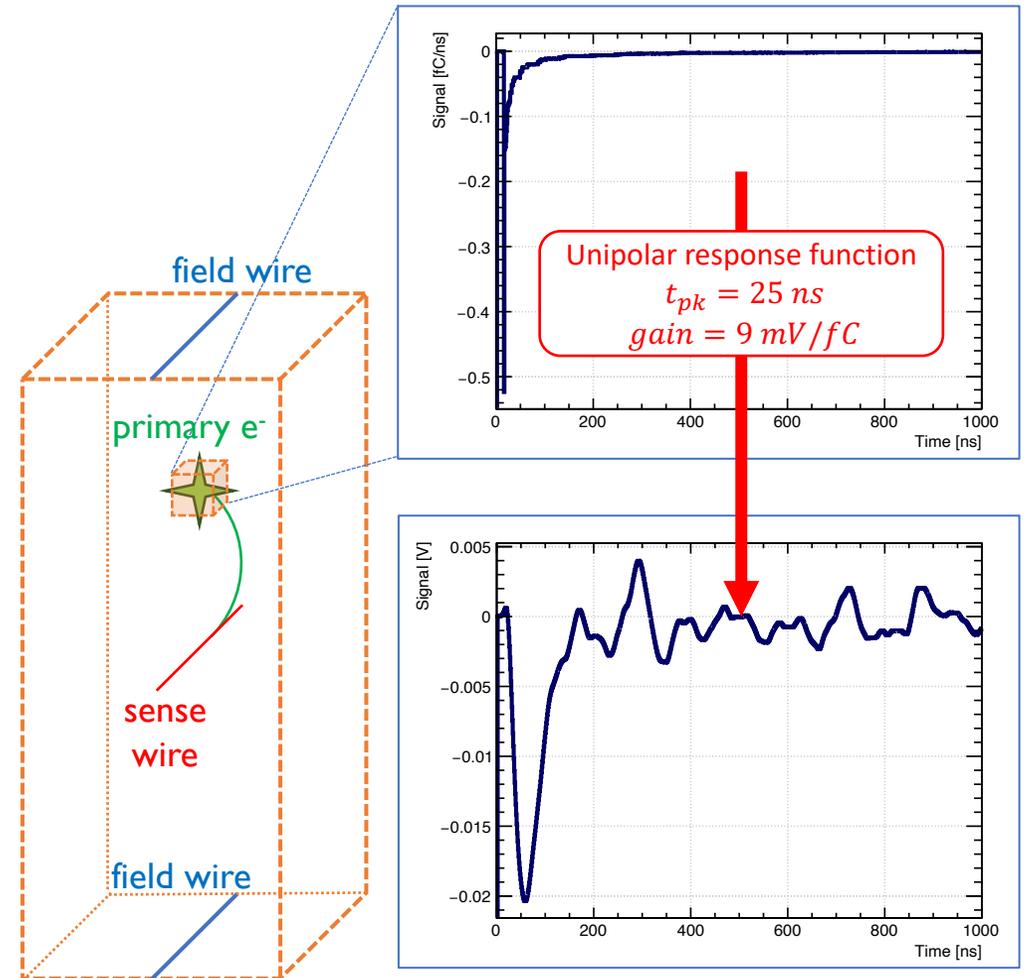
- Optimized the base drift cell layout by implementing a small-scale model of each plane in Garfield++.
- Alternating anode sense wires and cathode field wires with a 1 cm step. Cells are closed by grounded strips (1 cm thick).
- Gas mixture and voltages fixed aiming at sufficient gas gain ( $\sim 10^5$ ) and  $\sim$ constant  $v_{drift}$  along the wire plane.
- Signal time scales linearly with the wire distance in orthogonal tracks:

Precise reconstructed position thanks to equivalent  $v_{drift} \sim 52 \mu\text{m}/\text{ns}$ .



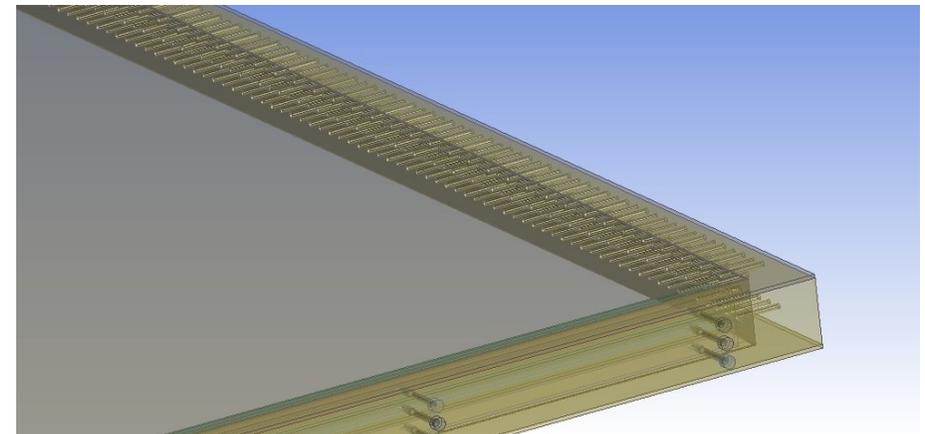
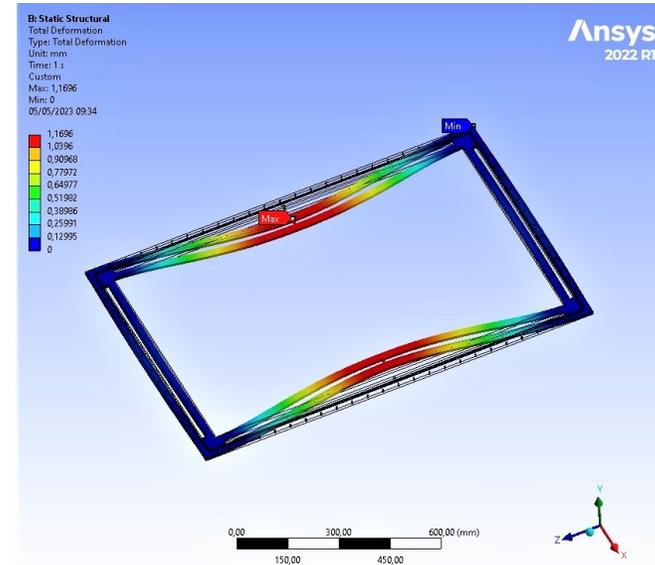
# Towards track reconstruction

- **Ionization** by charged particle tracks and detector response is **simulated** in **Garfield++**.
- Detector response will be integrated in the **edep-sim** simulation under development.
- Towards a “Fast” simulation of the detector response by:
  1. Voxelizing a base detector cell,
  2. mapping the **ionization signal** of primary **electrons** at each point of the grid.
- **Overall response** obtained from **summing** the **waveforms**, assuming a uniform energy deposition within an edep-sim hit segment.



# Prospects

- Ongoing activities on the **design** of the **module frames** and **construction procedure**.
- **Implementation** of the **detector response** in the simulation chain is to be completed.
- Aiming at building a **small-scale prototype** to verify the performance at a **test-beam**.
- **Performance** comparison with the **Straw Tube prototype** will be possible: the **aim** is to reach a **3% resolution** on  $\mu$ -momenta.
- Designs to be evaluated by **2024** depending on performance, construction time and costs.



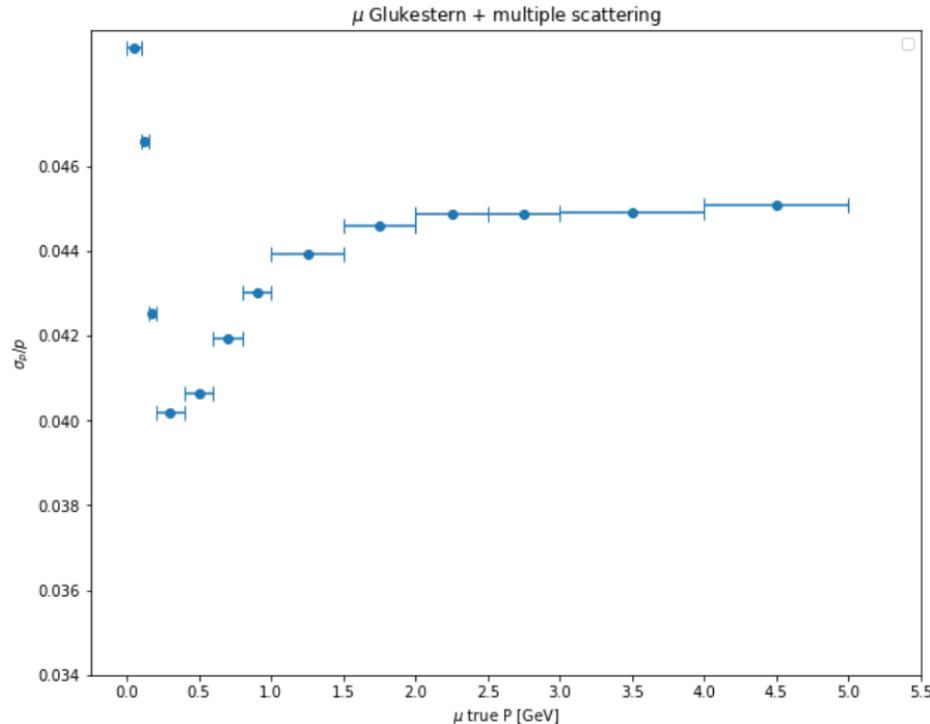
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# Muon Momentum resolution

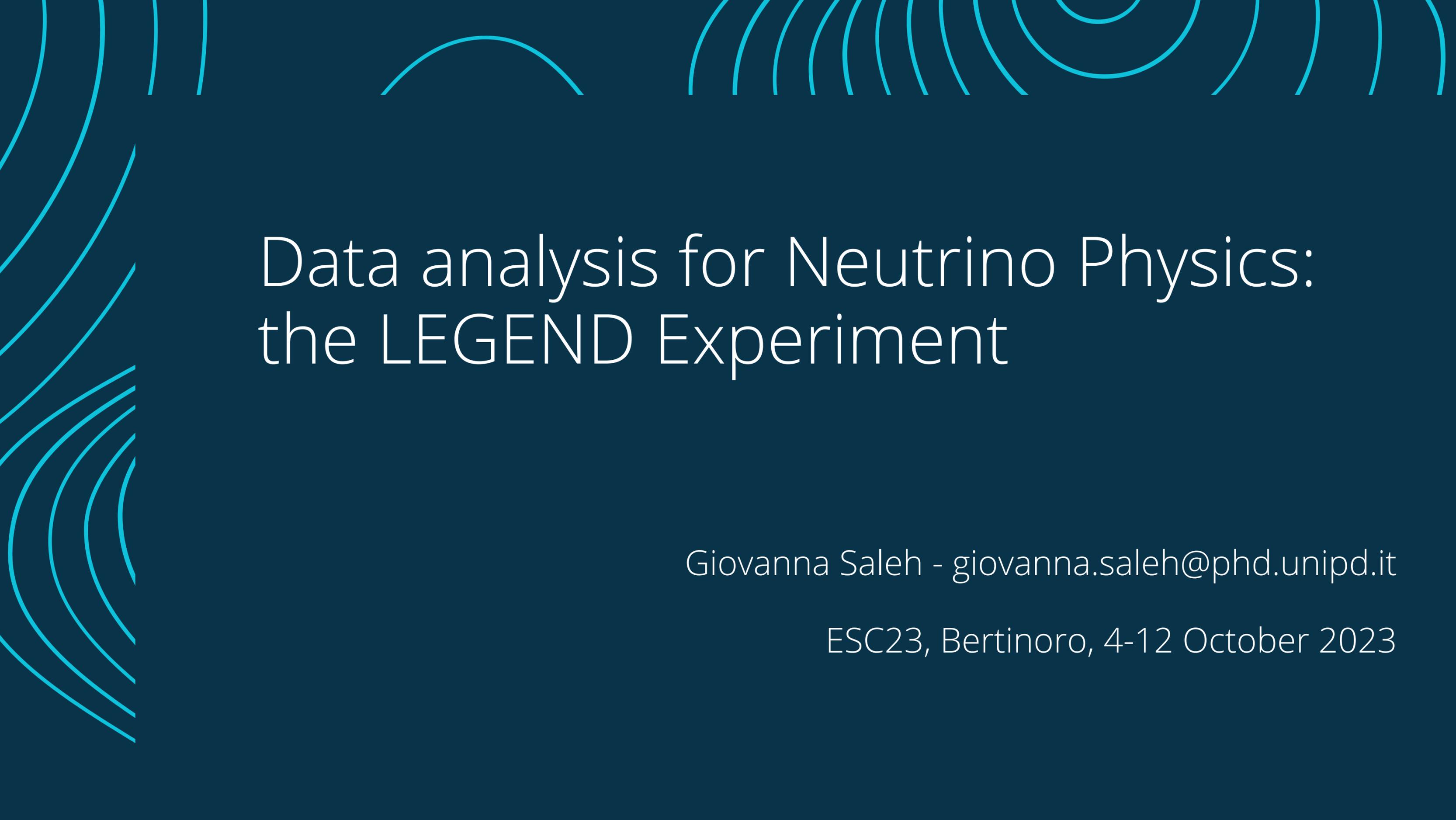
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$$\left(\frac{\sigma_p}{p}\right)^2 = \left(\sqrt{\frac{720}{n+4}} \frac{\sigma_y p \sin\theta}{(0.3BL^2)}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{52.3 \times 10^{-3}}{\beta B \sqrt{LX_0} \sin\theta}\right)^2$$

True muon momentum  
 Angle between track and B field  
 Position resolution  
 Multiple scattering  
 Number of hits  
 Path length in tracker  
 Radiation length



- Primary muons with at least 4 hits have been selected
- 1 hit is any muon energy deposit in a single drift volume
- Resolution: Glukestern term + multiple scattering



# Data analysis for Neutrino Physics: the LEGEND Experiment

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Neutrinos are

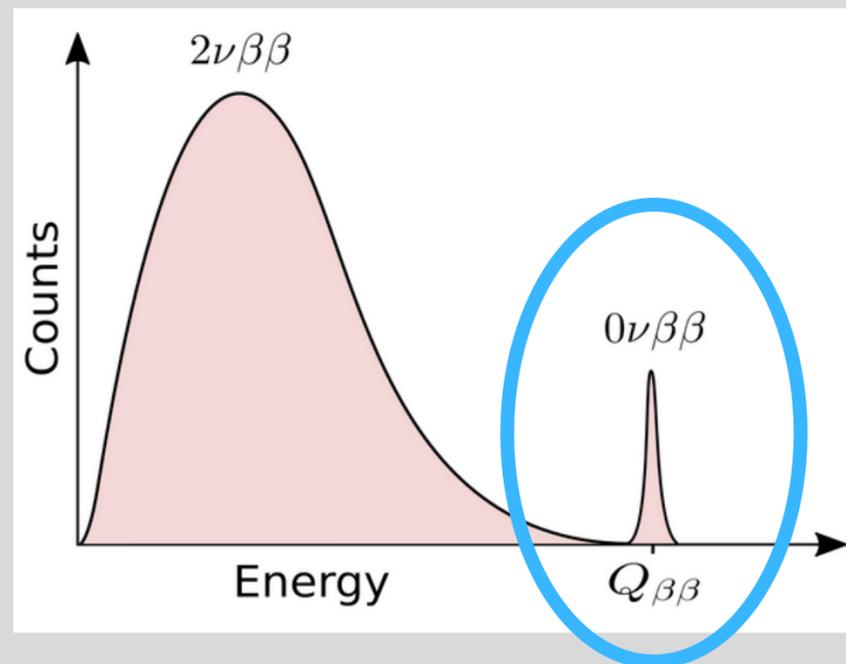


Dirac particles

Majorana particles

**Cannot** undergo  
neutrinoless  
double beta decay

**Can** undergo  
neutrinoless  
double beta decay



Experimental signature  
of neutrinoless  
double beta decay





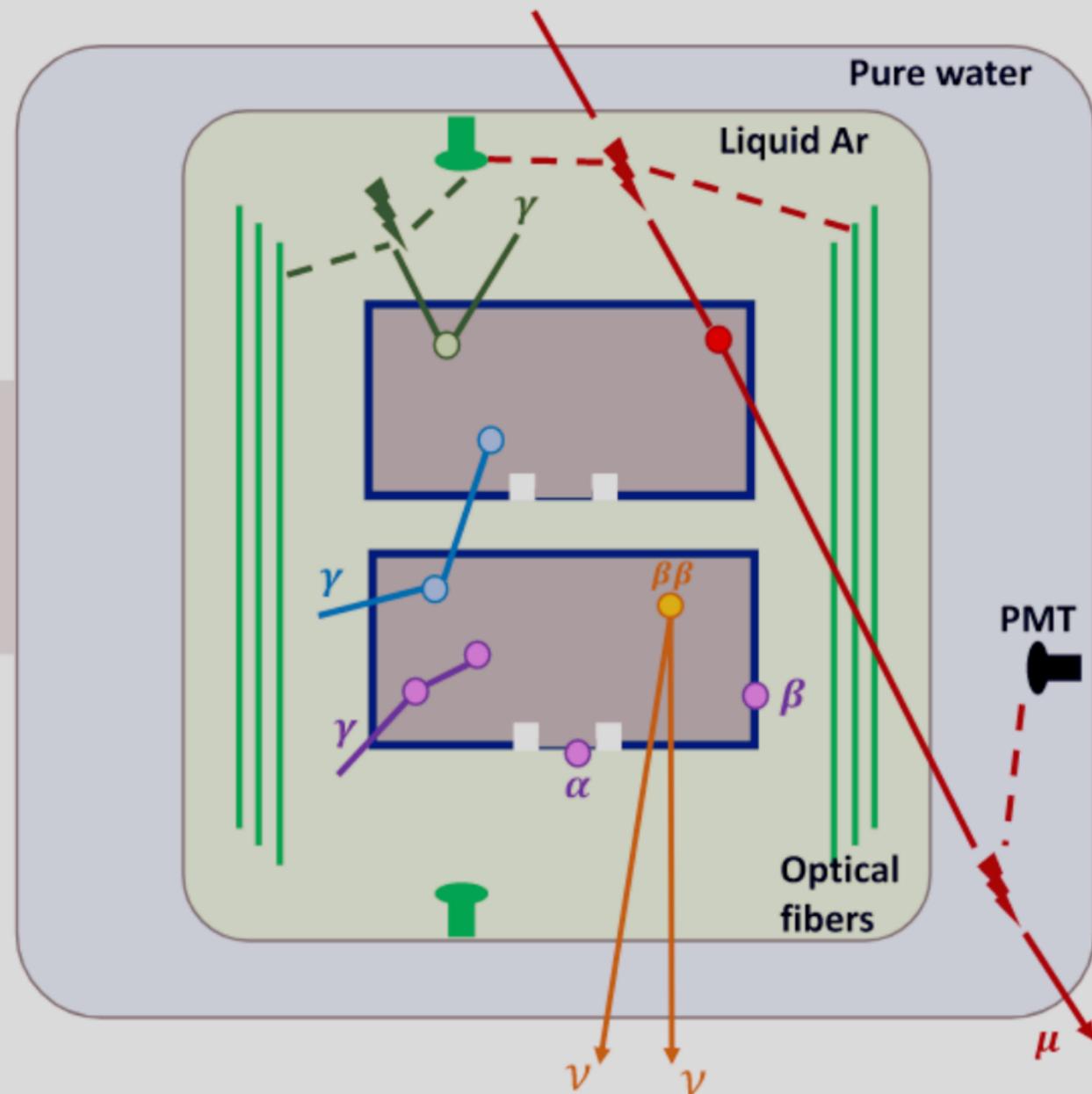
The location:  
Gran Sasso National Laboratories



# The LEGEND Experiment

# The analysis strategy

$\beta\beta$  decay signal:  
single-site event  
energy deposition  
in a  $1\text{ mm}^3$  volume



Pulse shape  
discrimination (PSD)  
for multi-site and  
surface  $\alpha, \beta$  events

Ge detector  
anti-coincidence

LAr veto based on Ar  
scintillation light read  
by fibers and PMT

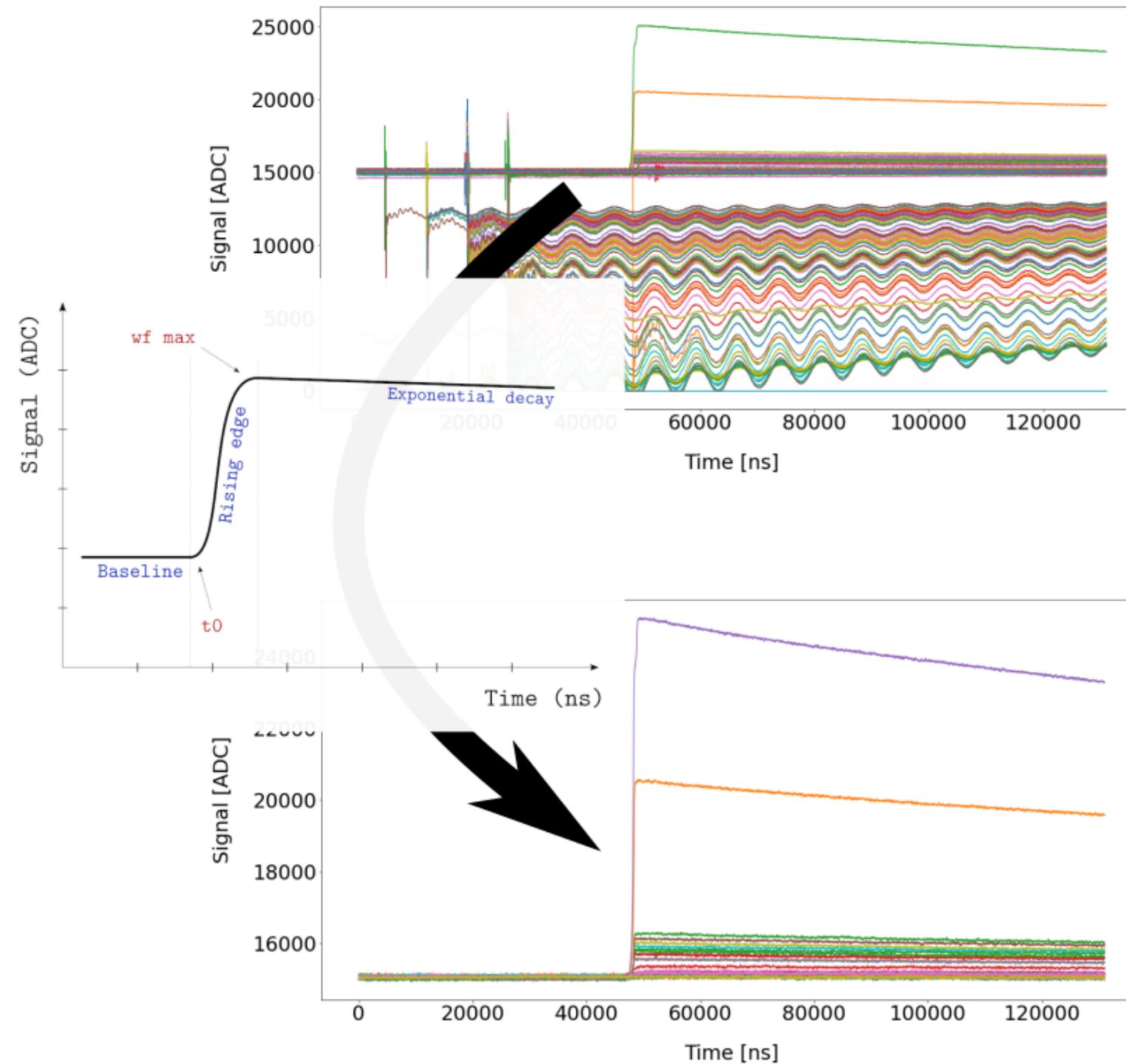
Muon veto based on  
Cherenkov light and  
plastic scintillator

Event selection based on the shape of the waveform



Need to develop tools to make the event selection more:

- Efficient
- Fast
- Automated
- Reliable

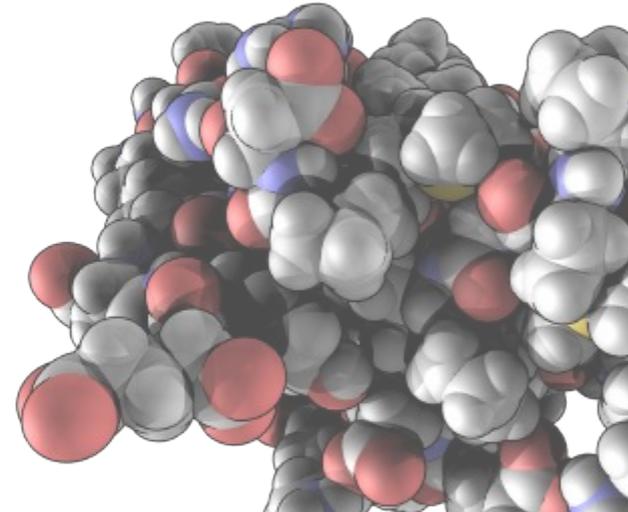


Implementation of the strategy

# Research activity: Topological entanglement in proteins

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## *Who am I?*

- Ph.D. student in Physics at University of Padova – Statistical Mechanics group
- Associate member of INFN Complex Network project (Lincoln)

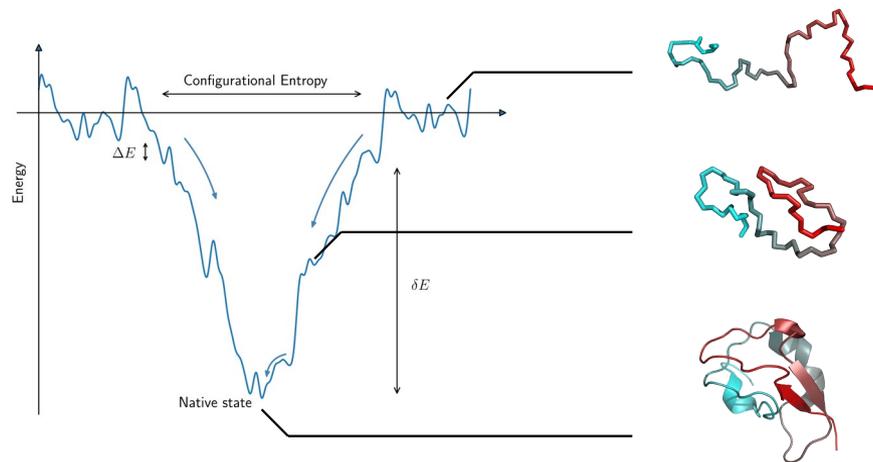
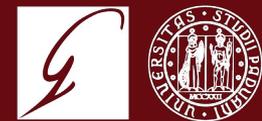
## *Computing interests*

- Numerical simulations, data analysis, software engineering

## *Research activities*

- **Numerical/theoretical**: Newtonian dynamics and statistical mechanical models of interacting spins simulations to probe equilibrium and refolding properties of proteins with a non-trivial topology
  - **Bioinformatics**: topology analysis of protein structures datasets
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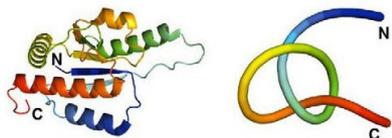
# Research activities: an introduction



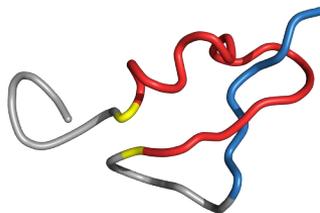
Proteins for a physicist: heteropolymers with an “optimized” network of interactions

Chain refolding happens in an exponentially large phase space. However, real proteins can be framed in the **funnel-shaped free energy landscape** picture

$3_1$  Knot



Non-covalent lasso



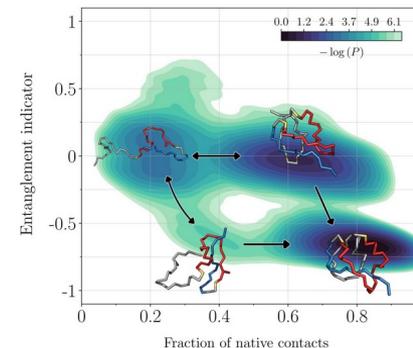
Challenge to the framework:  
naturally occurring **topologically entangled motifs** in proteins

How does the entanglement change the landscape?  
How these structures avoid being trapped in local minima?



Molecular Dynamics (MD)  
refolding simulations with  
coarse-grained, structure-based  
models

$$\begin{aligned}
 V = & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \varepsilon_r^i (r^{i+1} - r_0^i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{N-2} \varepsilon_\theta^i (\theta^i - \theta_0^i)^2 \\
 & + \sum_{i=1}^{N-3} \varepsilon_\phi^i \left\{ [1 - \cos(\phi^i - \phi_0^i)] + \frac{1}{2} [1 - \cos(3(\phi^i - \phi_0^i))] \right\} \\
 & + \sum_{i+3 < j}^{\text{NAT}} 4\varepsilon_C^{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma^{ij}}{r^{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma^{ij}}{r^{ij}} \right)^6 \right] \\
 & + \sum_{i+1 < j}^{\text{NON}} V_{\text{NN}}(r^{ij})
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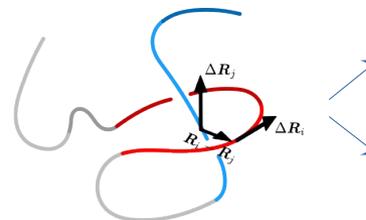
WSME model using Monte  
Carlo Markov chains  
(MCMC)

$$\beta H^{\text{eff}} = -\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=i+1}^N n_{ij} \Delta_{ij} \prod_{k=i}^j m_k + q \sum_{i=1}^N m_i - \Lambda \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{H_i}{Q_i^{\text{TOT}}} n_{ij} \Delta_{ij} \prod_{k=i}^j m_k$$

Data analysis of protein  
structure datasets

Gaussian Entanglement

$$G'(\gamma_i, \gamma_j) := \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{i=i_1}^{i_2-1} \sum_{j=j_1}^{j_2-1} \frac{\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j}{|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|^3} \cdot (\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \times \Delta \mathbf{R}_j)$$



RCSB **PDB**  
PROTEIN DATA BANK

[AlphaFold 2](#)



Improve OOP in modern C++ to design and extend open source MD software (e.g. [LAMMPS](#))

Learn parallelization (CPU and GPU-based) with C++ for MCMC applications

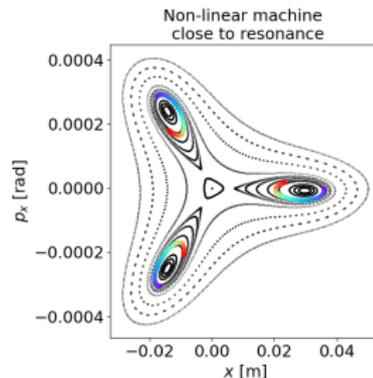
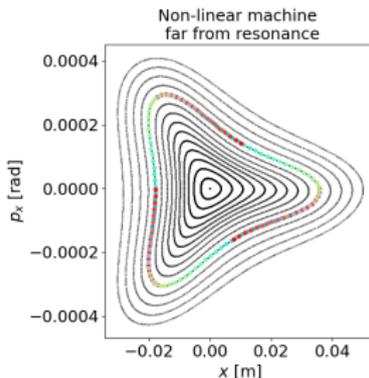
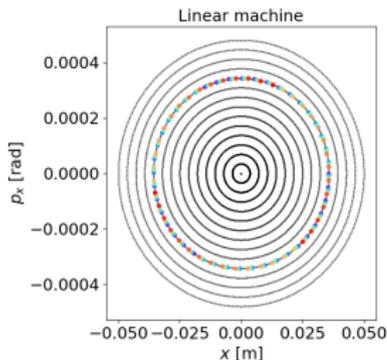
# Research activities and interests

Dora Veres

- **Master of Physics**, University of Oxford, UK (2018-2022)
  - Optimising the Higgs to Charm Quarks Decay Analysis Using Machine Learning
- **PhD in Physics**, Goethe Universität Frankfurt am Main, Germany (2022-)
  - Manipulating charged particle beams using stable islands and crystals

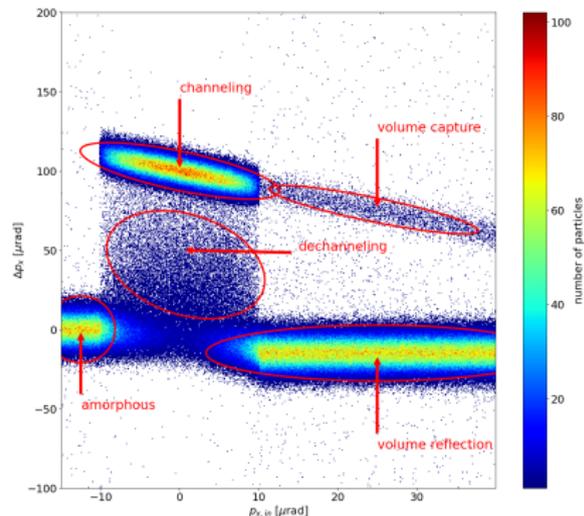
# Research

- Stable islands in particle accelerators:
  - Linear machine (dipoles and quadrupoles only): particle orbits are ellipses in phase space
  - Non-linear machine (higher order multipoles): particle orbits distorted
  - If fractional betatron tune is close to  $\frac{1}{\text{integer}}$ , resonances occur
  - Stable islands form close to resonances
- Particle tracking simulations:
  - Can use mathematical models (e.g. Henon map) – quick, but doesn't capture all properties of machine
  - Model accelerator as sequence of maps corresponding to single elements – tracking through many elements is time-consuming

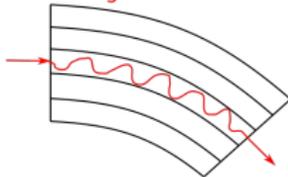


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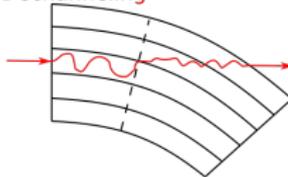
- Modeling charged particle interaction with bent crystals
  - Need fast routines for high statistics simulations
  - Implementations exist in popular particle tracking codes SixTrack (Fortran) and Xsuite (C)
  - Particles propagated in crystal based on probabilities of scattering and coherent interactions



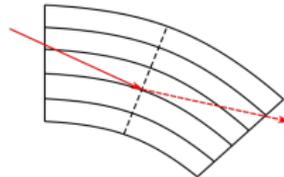
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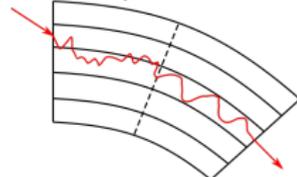
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Volume reflection

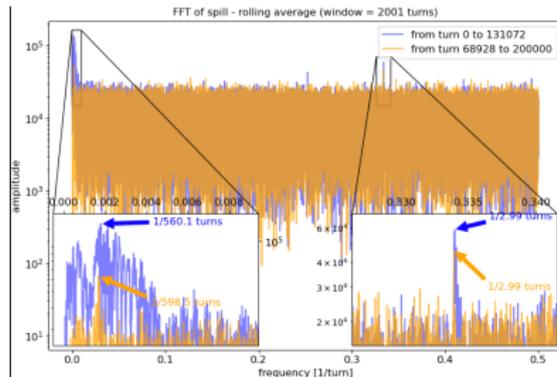
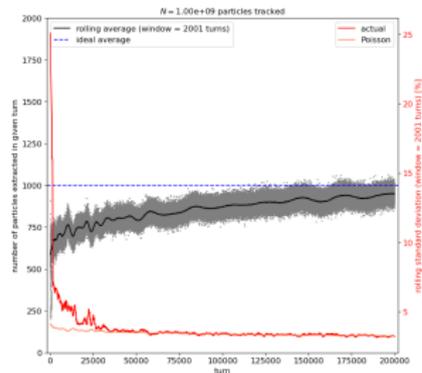
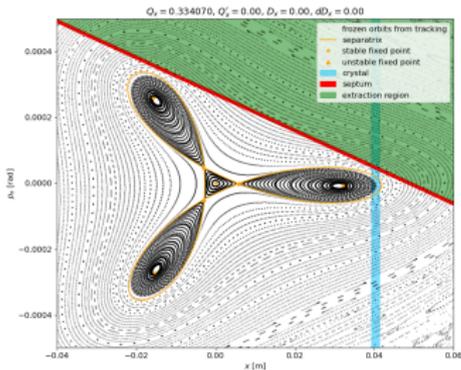


Volume capture



# Research

- Usecases of stable islands + crystals
  - Capturing and channeling beam halo particles for LHC fixed target experiments
  - Reducing losses during resonant slow-extraction



# Goals

- Improve C++ skills
- Learn efficient memory handling
- Learn efficient parallelization
- GPU computing
- Use the skills learnt to contribute to particle tracking codes developed at CERN and improve my own simulations

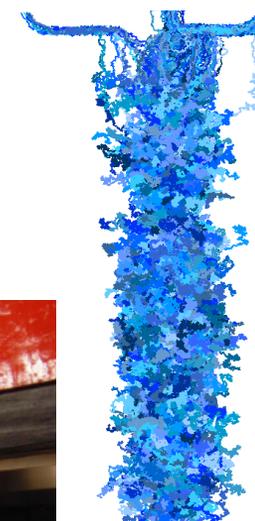
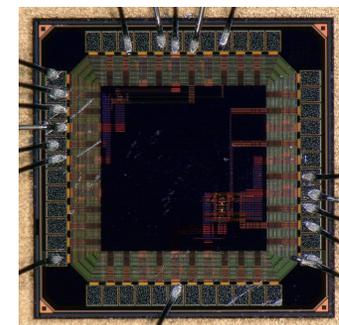
# The Tangeine project: Development of high-resolution pixel sensors

H. Wennlöf, DESY

Efficient Scientific Computing, 2023

# The Tangerine project (Towards next generation silicon detectors)

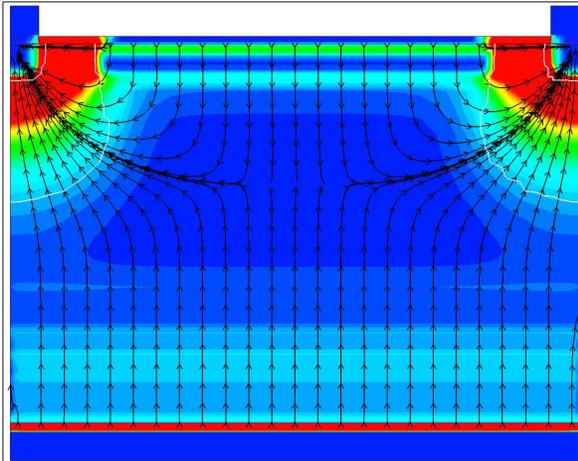
- Started in 2021 with the aim of **developing and investigating particle detection sensors in new silicon technologies**
- Long-term goal: development of sensors for vertexing and tracking detectors in **future electron-ion and lepton colliders**
- The project encompasses all aspects of sensor developments: electronics design, sensor design, prototype test chip characterisation
  - Combination of lab tests and **simulations**
- The goal is development of a sensor with **high precision and low material**
  - Spatial resolution below  $3\ \mu\text{m}$
  - Time resolution of less than 10 ns
  - Very low material budget, corresponding to at most  $50\ \mu\text{m}$  of silicon ( $0.05\% X/X_0$ )
  - Per-pixel charge measurement
- Primary initial goal (2023): development of a sensor for telescope use, for testbeams
  - This will **demonstrate the capabilities of the 65 nm CMOS imaging technology in a particle physics context**



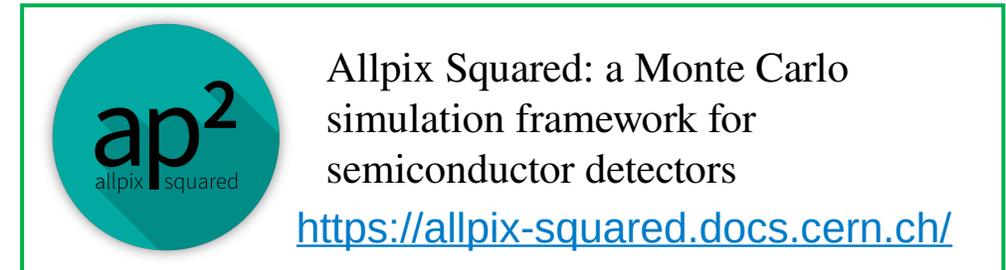
# Tools used in the simulation approach (my [TIPP23](#) presentation holds more details)



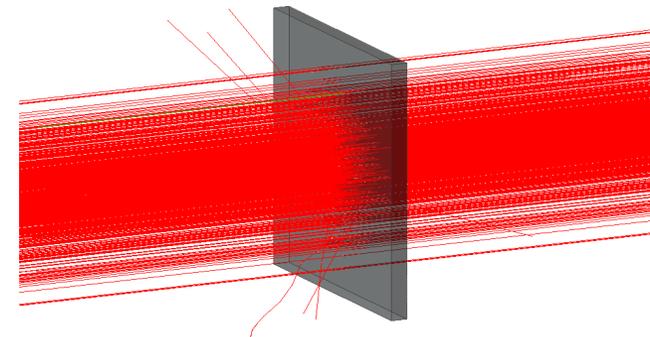
- Models semiconductor devices using **finite element methods**
- Calculates realistic and accurate **electric fields and potentials** from doping concentrations



Example electric field in TCAD



- Simulates **full detector chain**, from energy deposition through charge carrier propagation to signal digitisation
  - Interfaces to **Geant4** and **TCAD**
- Simulation performed **quickly** - allows for **high-statistics** data samples across a full detector



Particle beam passing through a single sensor in Allpix<sup>2</sup>

# Allpix Squared

## A Monte Carlo simulation framework for semiconductor detectors

- Simulates **charge carrier motion** in semiconductors, using **well-tested** and **validated** algorithms
  - Includes different models for e.g. charge carrier mobility, lifetime and recombination, trapping and detrapping
  - Support for several semiconductor materials and pixel and sensor geometries
- Provides a **low entry barrier** for new users
  - Simulations are set up via **human-readable configuration files**
- **Steady development** over many years
  - Framework is **easily extendable** and **widely used**
  - **Open-source**, and written in **modern C++**
  - Version 3.0.2 released on the 28th of September this year
- [User workshop](#) presentations hold many example applications



Website and documentation:

<https://allpix-squared.docs.cern.ch/>

```
[AllPix]
number_of_events = 10000
detectors_file = "telescope.conf"
```

```
[GeometryBuilderGeant4]
world_material = "air"
```

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[DepositionGeant4]
particle_type = "Pi+"
number_of_particles = 1
source_position = 0um 0um -200mm
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beam_direction = 0 0 1
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[ProjectionPropagation]
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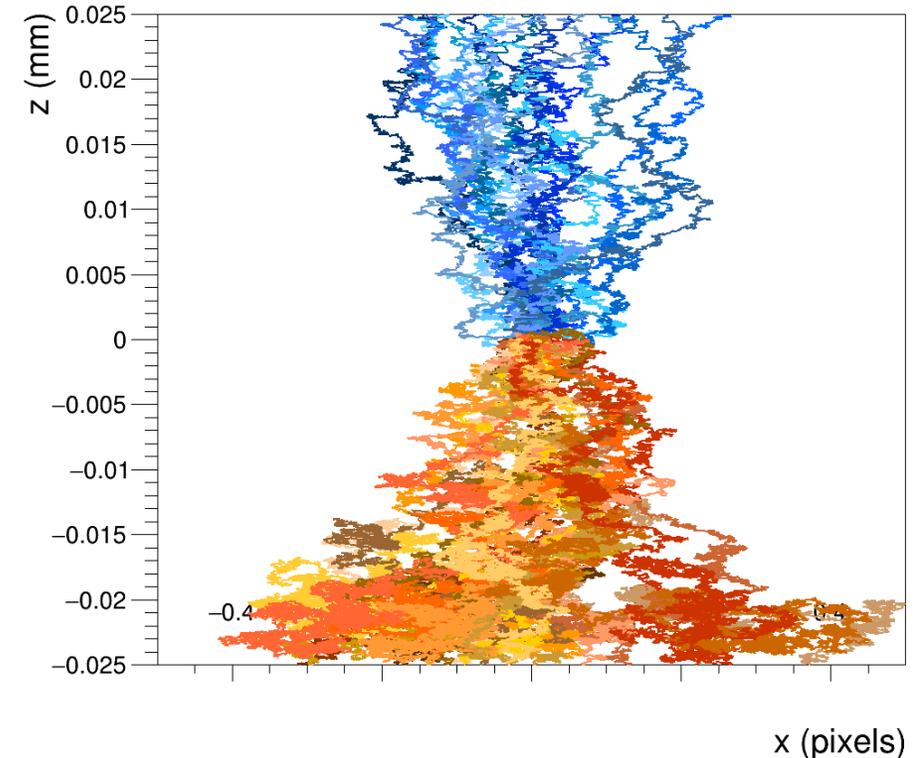
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[SimpleTransfer]
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[DefaultDigitizer]
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Minimal simulation configuration  
example

# Allpix Squared - striving for increased efficiency

- The framework is mostly multithreaded, but so far **only on CPUs**
- The simulation of individual charge carriers takes time, but is in theory **highly parallelisable**
  - The main bulk of the simulation time is spent in charge carrier propagation
  - If this were to be reduced, simulations would be significantly quicker/use less resources
- My interest lies in learning to **identify bottlenecks** and **increase the performance** of the framework
  - Some known bottlenecks are not straightforward to sort out, but I look forward to learning about possibilities
- Simulations are **essential** for increasing understanding of sensor behaviour and designing new prototypes



Simulated **motion paths** of individual **electrons** and **holes** deposited in the centre of a silicon sensor with a linear electric field