



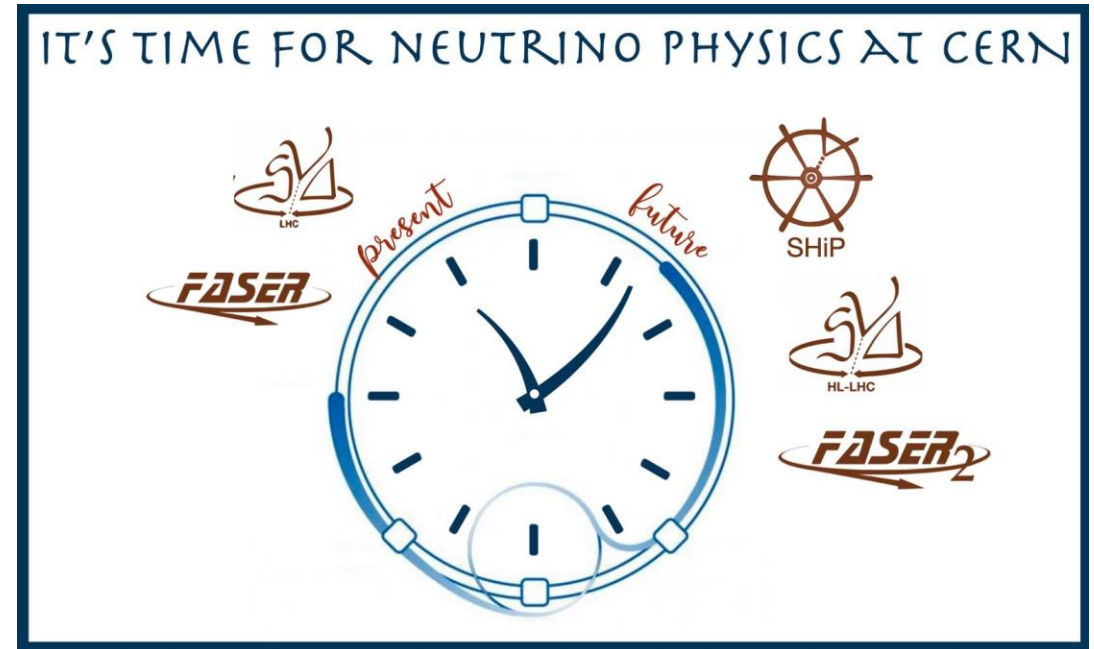
Neutrino and hidden sector physics at CERN:

ongoing ν program and the SHiP experiment

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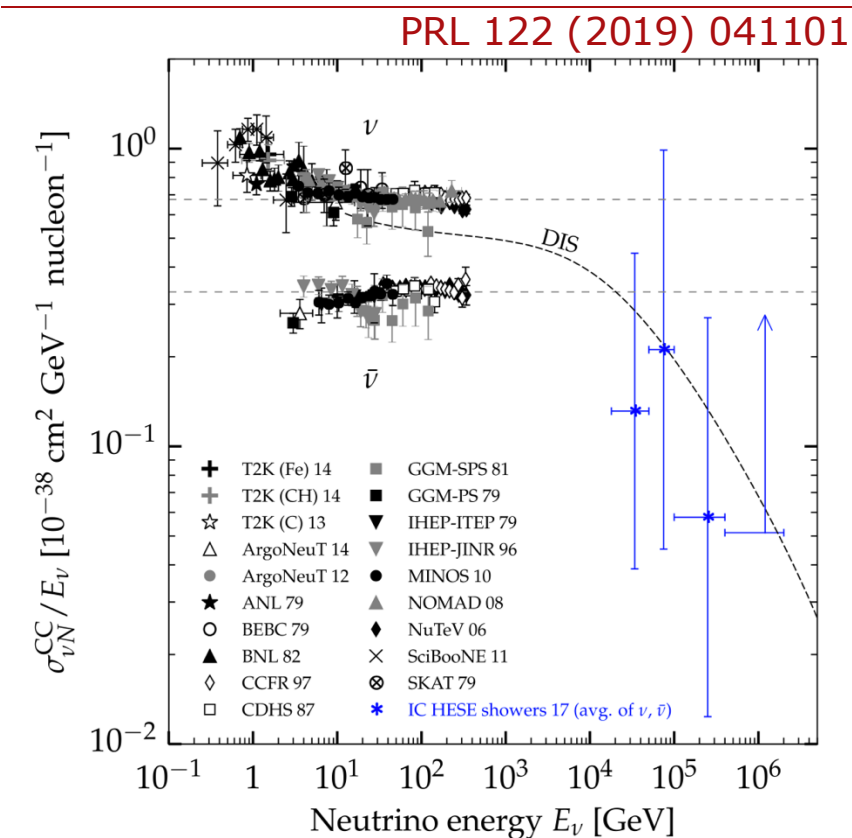
- *SND@LHC: taking data and studying neutrinos at the LHC*
- *The Beam Dump Facility and the SHiP experiment at the SPS*

Flavour changing and conserving processes, Anacapri, October 1st 2025

Neutrino physics at the LHC: motivation



- A. De Rujula and R. Ruckl, Neutrino and muon physics in the collider mode of future accelerators, CERN-TH.3892/84
- Klaus Winter, 1990, observing tau neutrinos at the LHC
- F. Vannucci, 1993, neutrino physics at the LHC
- <http://arxiv.org/abs/1804.04413> April 12th 2018, First paper on feasibility of studying neutrinos at LHC



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Physics potential of an experiment using LHC neutrinos

N Beni¹, M Brucoli², S Buontempo⁵, V Cafaro⁴,
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A Di Crescenzo^{3,5}, V Giordano⁴, C Guandalini⁴, D Lazic⁶,
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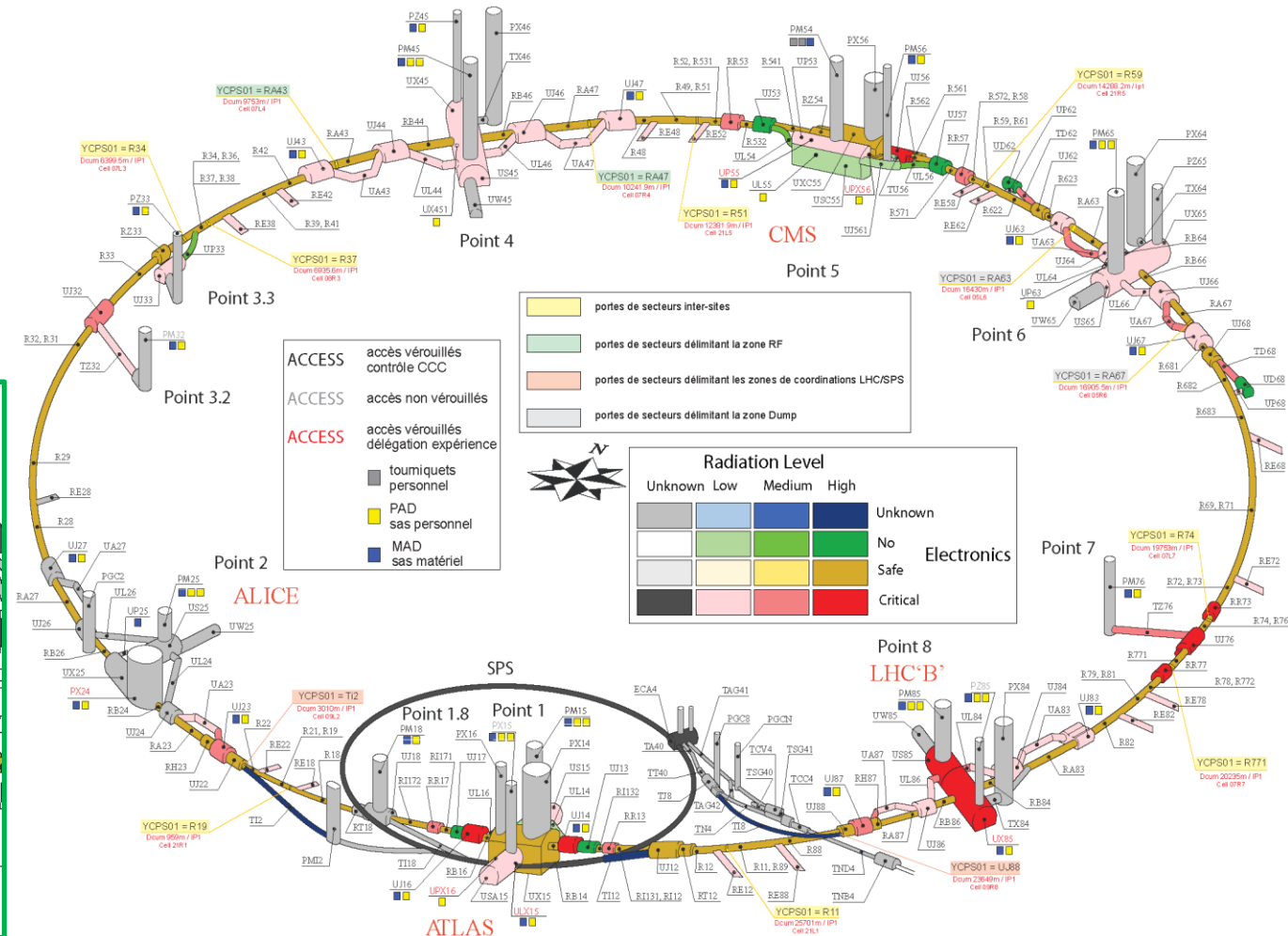
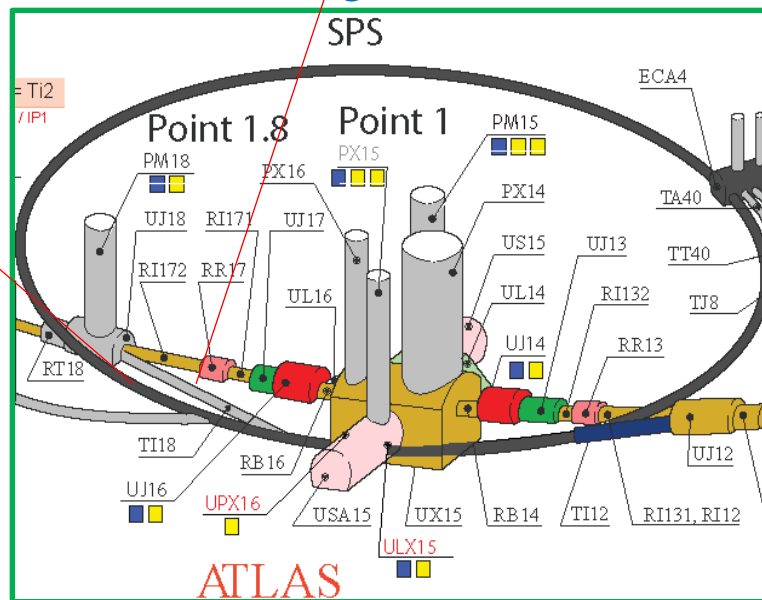
Regular Article - Experimental Physics

Detecting and studying high-energy collider neutrinos with FASER at the LHC

FASER Collaboration

CERN is unique in providing energetic ν (from LHC) and measure $pp \rightarrow \nu X$ in an unexplored domain

- 480 m away from the ATLAS IP
- Charged particles deflected by LHC magnets
- Shielding from the IP provided by 100 m rock



Injection tunnels used at LEP

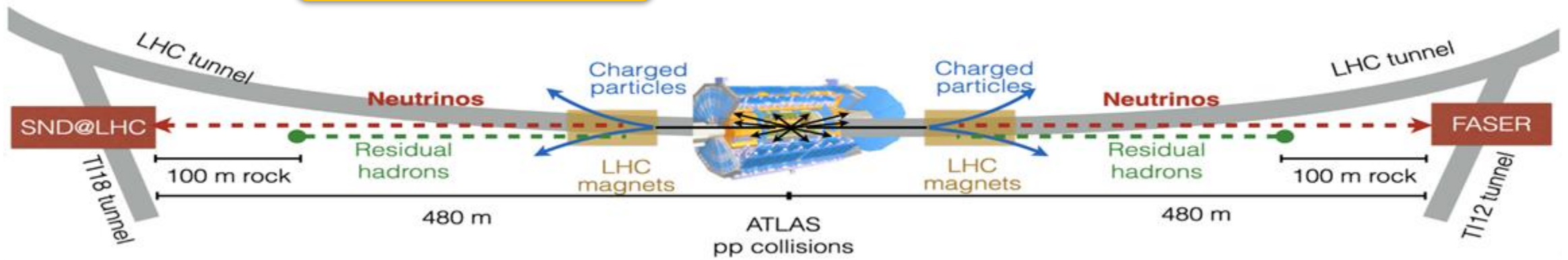
E.g. the TI18 tunnel in 2020



The LHC seen from the TI18 tunnel



Detector ready for the LHC Run 3 in March 2022

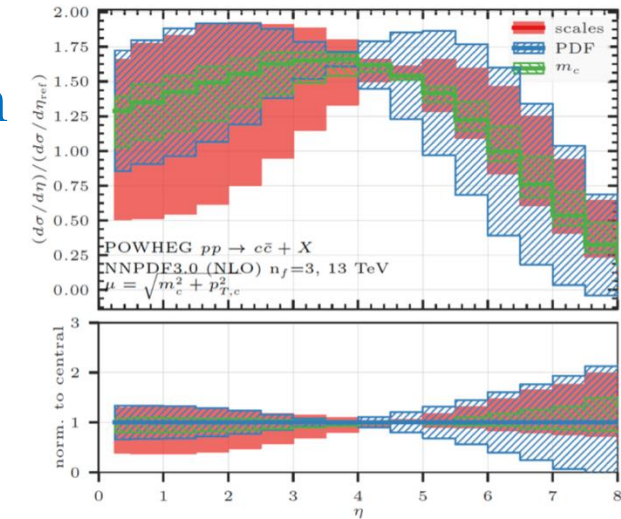
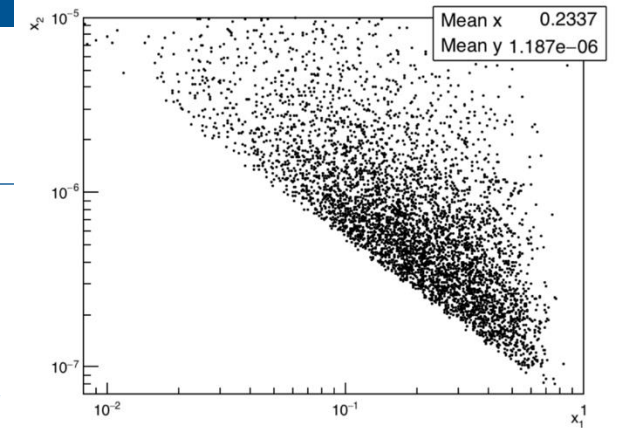


**FRONT
VIEW**

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Physics goals

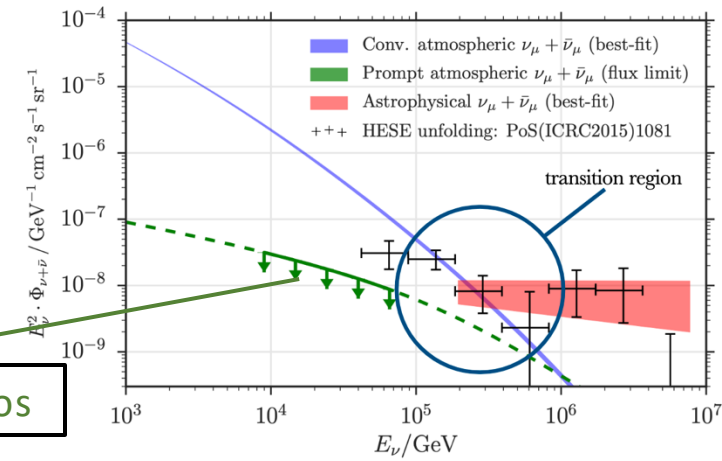
- Study neutrino interactions (cross-section, LFU, ..) in a new energy domain
- Lepton flavour universality tests with ν interactions with $R_{e\mu}$ and $R_{e\tau}$
- Use ν s as probes of their parent, e.g. in some angular region ν_e production dominated by charm decays \rightarrow measuring charm production in pp collisions in the forward region
- Manyfold interest for the charm measurement in pp collision at high η
- Prediction of very high-energy neutrinos produced in cosmic-ray interactions \rightarrow experiments also acting as a bridge between accelerator and astroparticle physics



IceCube Collaboration, six years data, *Astrophysics J.* 833 (2016) 3,
<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.3847/0004-637X/833/1/3/pdf>

7+7 TeV p - p collisions correspond to 100 PeV
 proton interaction for a fixed target

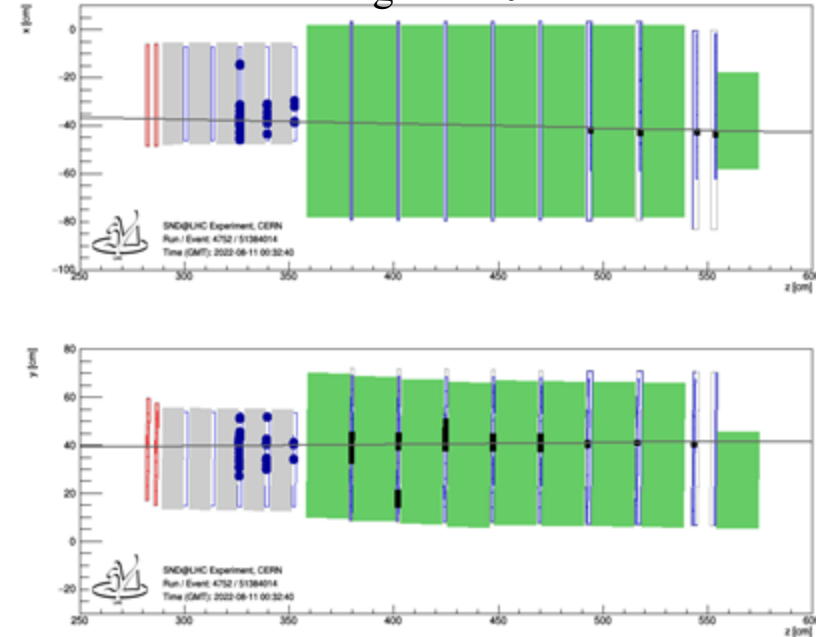
prompt atmospheric neutrinos





Observation of collider muon neutrinos with 2022 data

Aug 11th 2022



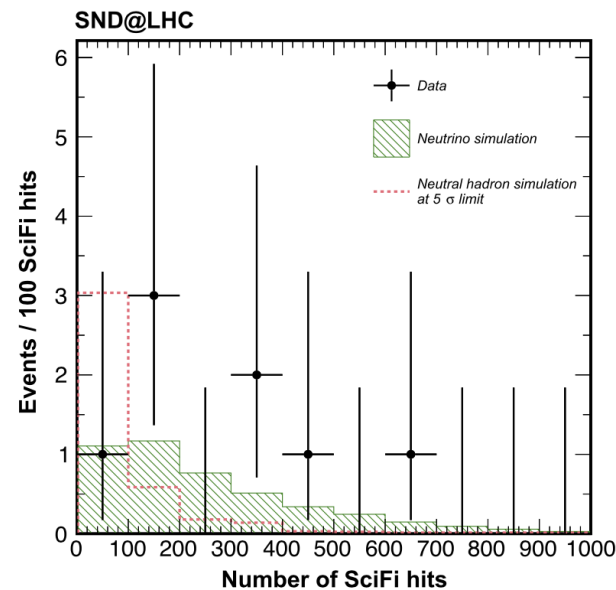
Distribution of SciFi hits for ν_μ candidates with the MC expectation for ν events and background (augmented to the 5-sigma level)

Editors' Suggestion

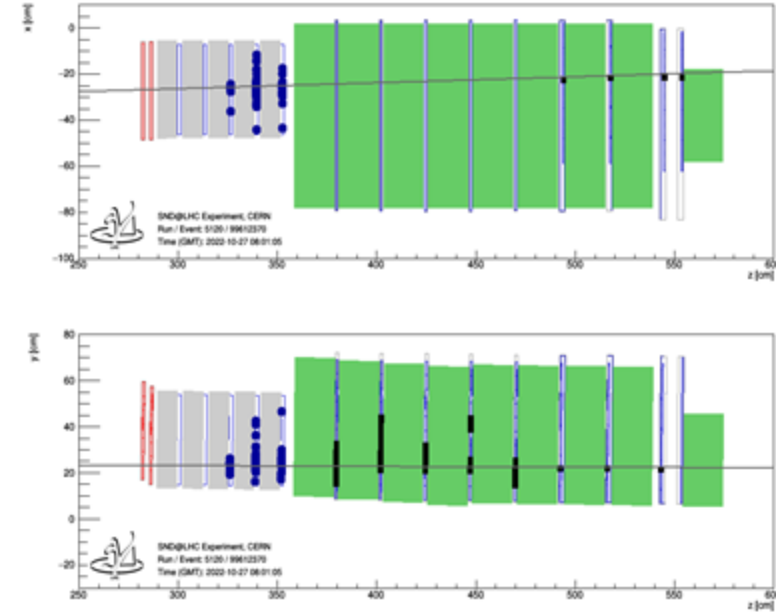
Observation of Collider Muon Neutrinos with the SND@LHC Experiment

R. Albanese *et al.* (SND@LHC Collaboration)

Phys. Rev. Lett. **131**, 031802 (2023) – Published 19 July 2023



Oct 27th 2022



8 observed events and an expected background of $(8.6 \pm 3.8) \times 10^{-2}$

Background only hypothesis probability:

$$P = 7.15 \times 10^{-12}$$

6.8 σ observation

<https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.131.031802>

Observation of 0μ (ν_e CC and ν NC) events with 2022-23 data

Neutral hadron background

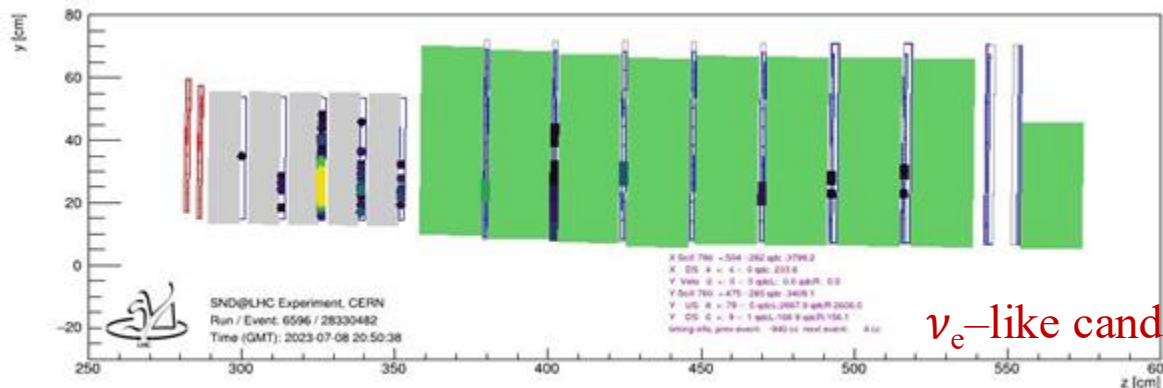
- Define background-dominated control region.
- Scale the background prediction to the number of observed events in the control region.
- Events expected in signal region: 0.01

Neutrino background

- ν_μ CC interactions are the dominant background, with 0.30 expected events
- ν_τ CC 1μ interactions expected: 0.002

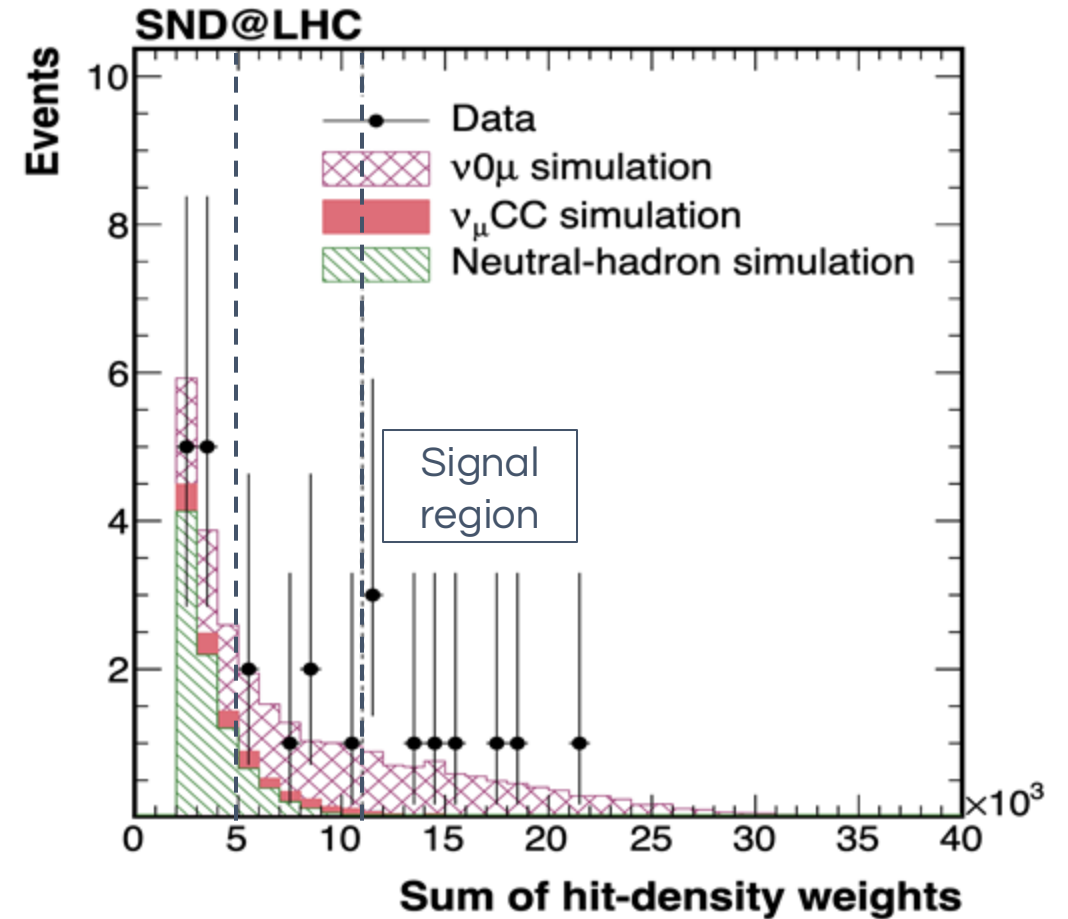
0μ observation significance

- Total expected background: 0.32 ± 0.06 events
- Expected signal: 7.2 events
 - 4.9 ν_e CC, 2.2 NC, 0.1 ν_τ CC
- Expected significance: 5.5σ



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **134**, 231802 (2025)

<https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/r2qy-9hft>



Number of events observed: 9

Observation significance: 6.4σ



Updated ν_μ results (2022-2023 data) with electronic detector

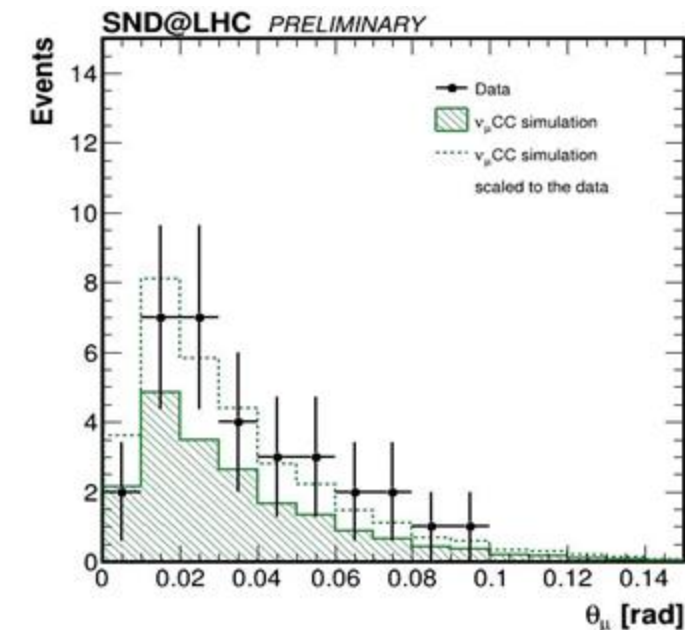
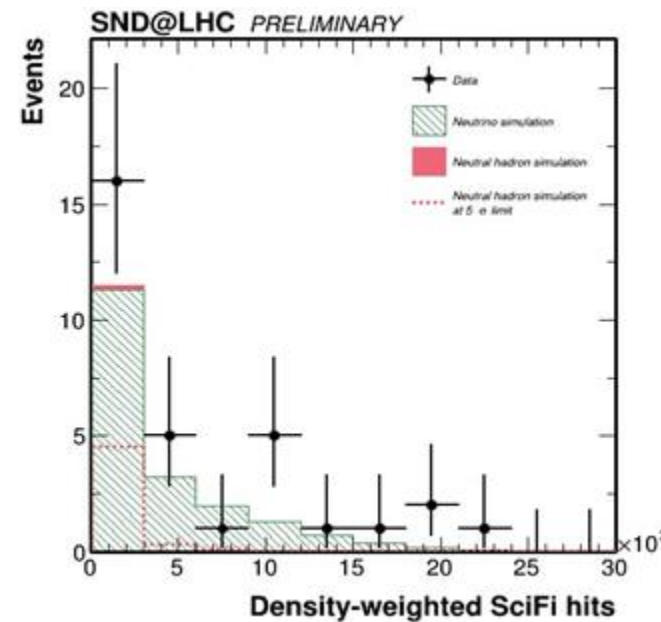
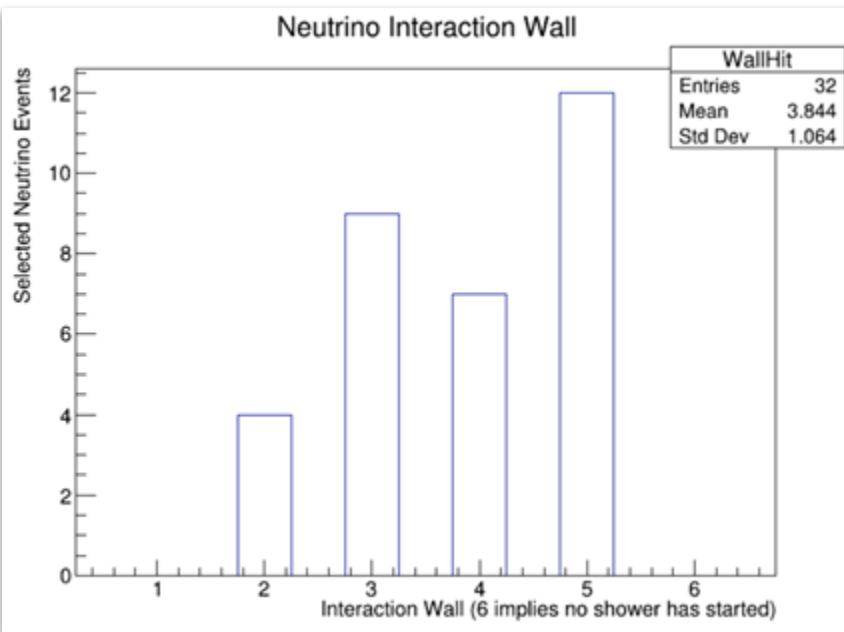
Events expected in 68.6 fb^{-1}

- Signal: 19.1 ± 4.1
- Neutral hadrons: 0.25 ± 0.06
- Unidentified muons: 1.5 ± 0.3

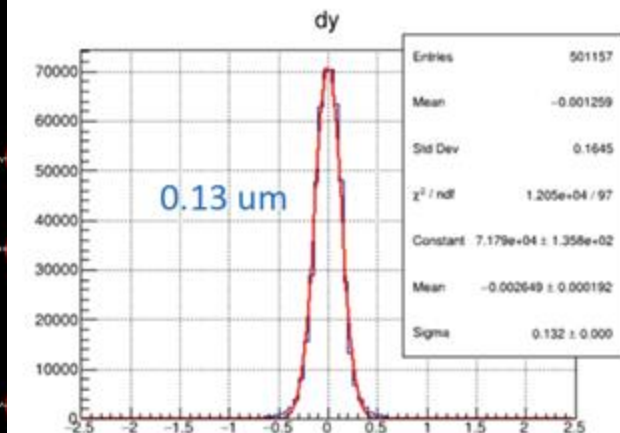
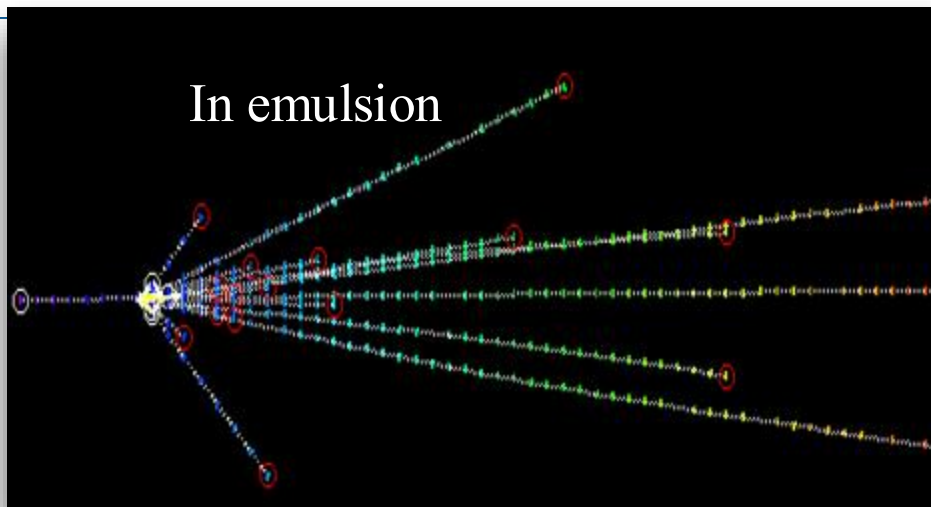
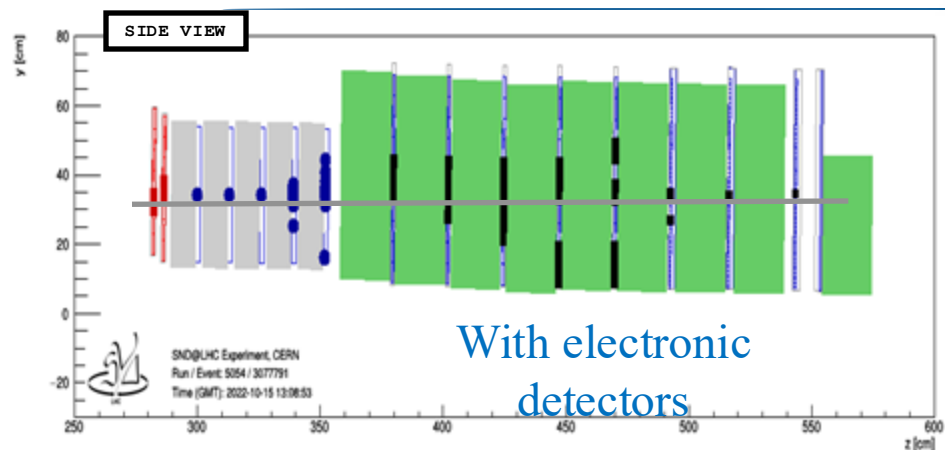
29 events observed

Expected ν_μ : 19.1 ± 4.1 (production sys)+ 1.6 (selection sys)

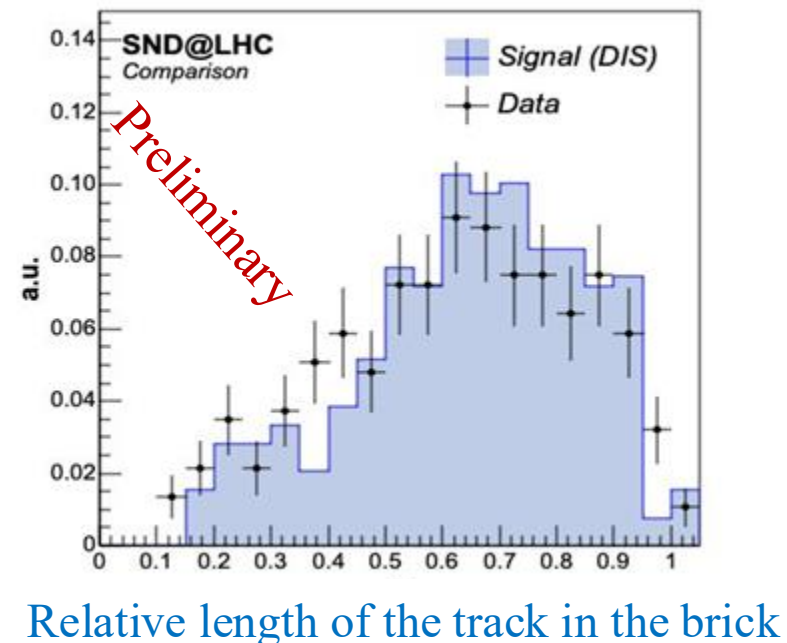
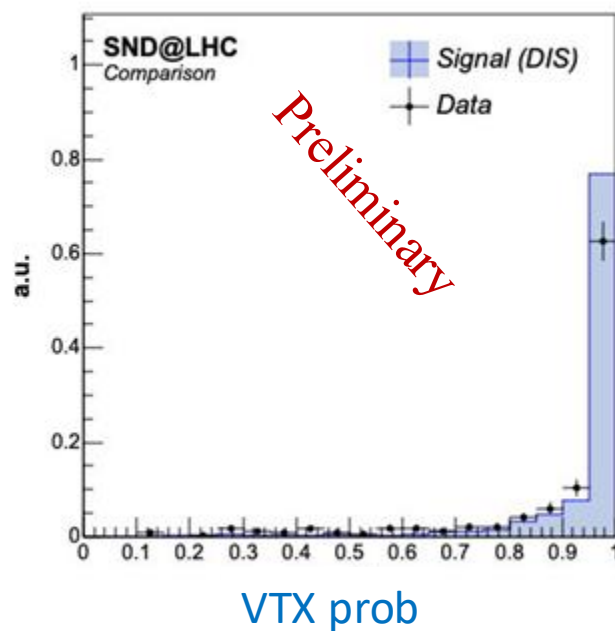
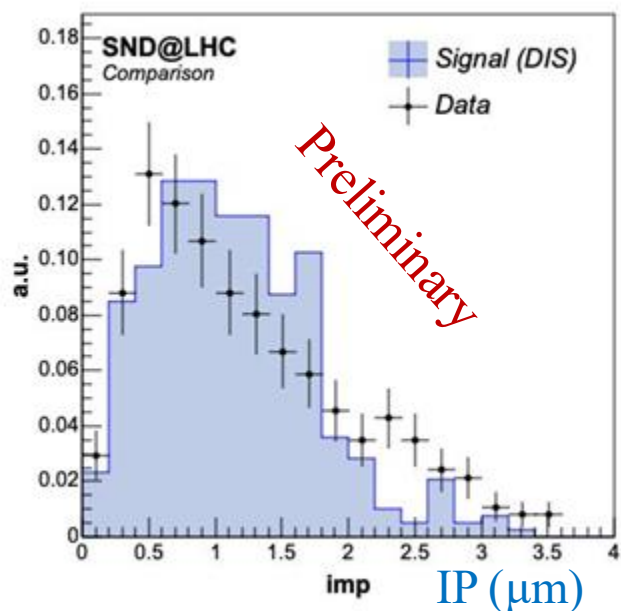
Period		Luminosity	Survival Rate	Inefficiency		μ Background
				Veto	SciFi	
2022	1	1.21 fb^{-1}	4.13×10^{-3}	3.03×10^{-4}	2.50×10^{-4}	7.88×10^{-2}
	2	14.00 fb^{-1}	5.57×10^{-3}	7.00×10^{-4}	1.06×10^{-4}	1.18
	3	7.12 fb^{-1}	6.21×10^{-3}	3.03×10^{-4}		2.75×10^{-1}
	4	1.58 fb^{-1}	6.41×10^{-3}	1.04×10^{-5}		2.08×10^{-3}
	5	5.72 fb^{-1}	5.07×10^{-3}	3.98×10^{-7}		2.89×10^{-4}
	6	9.01 fb^{-1}	5.50×10^{-3}	4.40×10^{-7}		5.28×10^{-4}
2023	1	11.60 fb^{-1}	4.02×10^{-4}	4.40×10^{-5}	1.18×10^{-4}	8.96×10^{-5}
	2	9.68 fb^{-1}	4.30×10^{-3}	4.05×10^{-7}		4.73×10^{-4}
	3	10.50 fb^{-1}	2.81×10^{-3}	9.00×10^{-8}		1.18×10^{-4}
Total		70.43 fb^{-1}	-	-	-	1.53



Study of muon Deep Inelastic Scattering



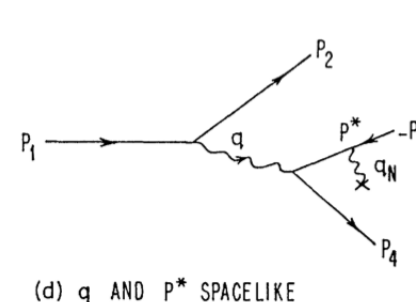
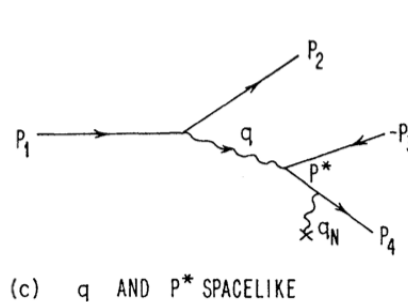
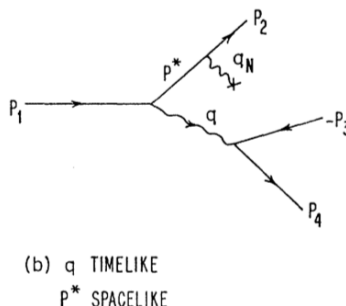
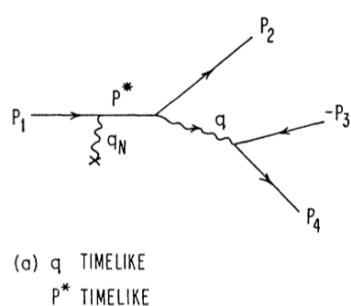
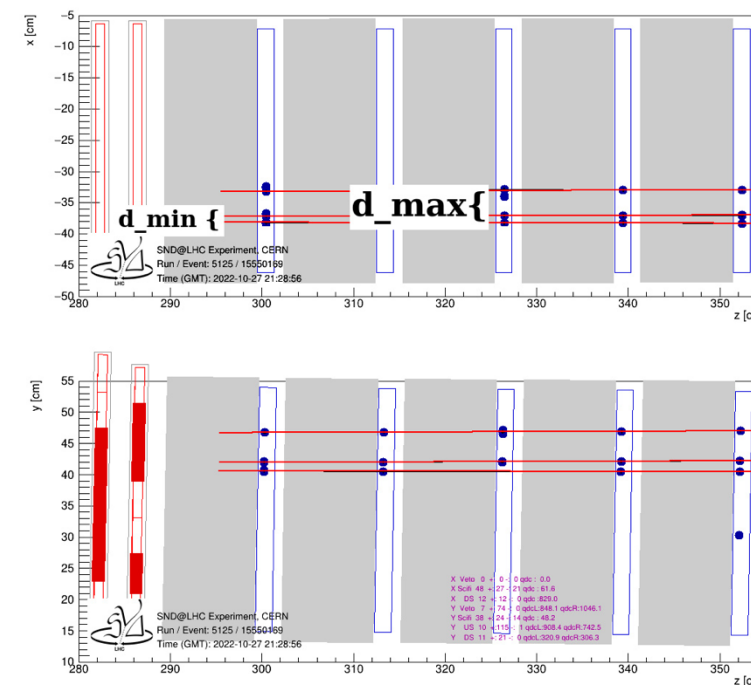
Expected signal: 870 Observed events: 1741
 Background: 1030 ± 360 Expected events: 1900 ± 360





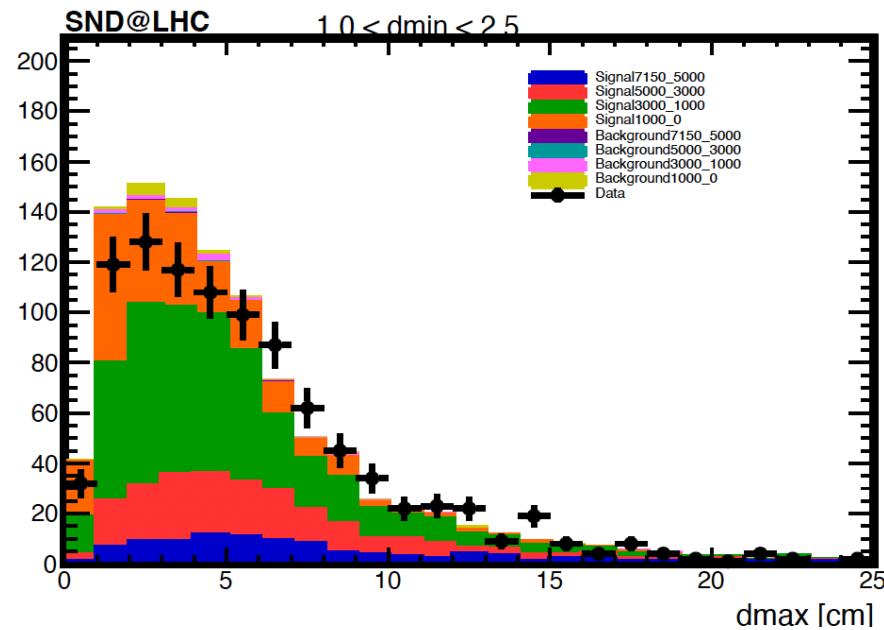
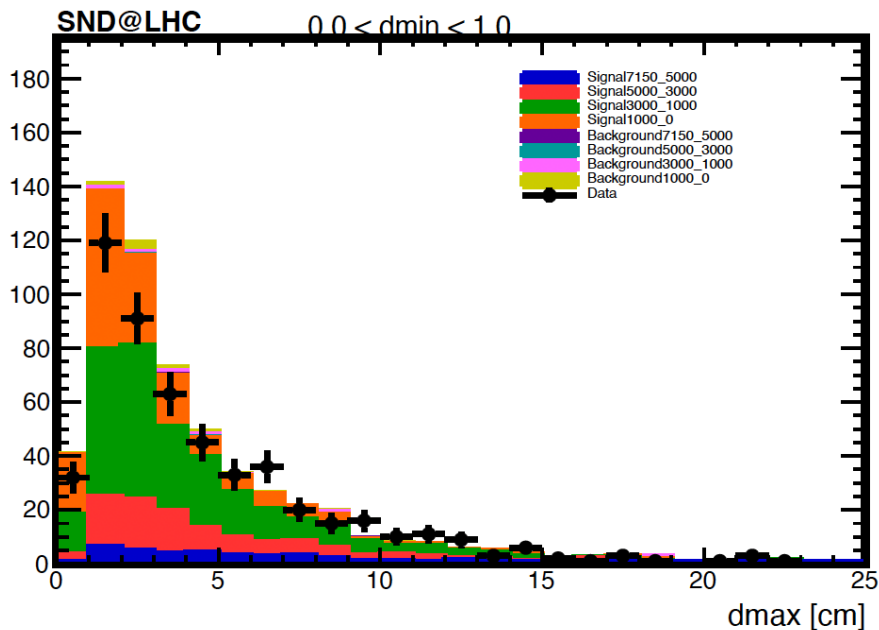
Trident process in the surrounding rock

- $\mu^\pm + N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^\pm + N$
 - Studied in the 60's and 70's, [Muon Tridents](#), J.D. Bjorken(SLAC), M.C. Chen, [Observation of Muon Trident Production in Lead and the Statistics of the Muon](#)
 - Due to identical muons, sensitive to Fermi statistics
 - With 10 GeV muon beam, measured 60 nb per lead nucleon
- "Background": bremsstrahlung followed by γ -conversion
 $\mu^\pm + N \rightarrow \mu^\pm + N + \gamma, \gamma + N \rightarrow N + \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Process introduced in GEANT4 in 2022
- Rate inconsistent with coincidence muons (already with 2 muons)



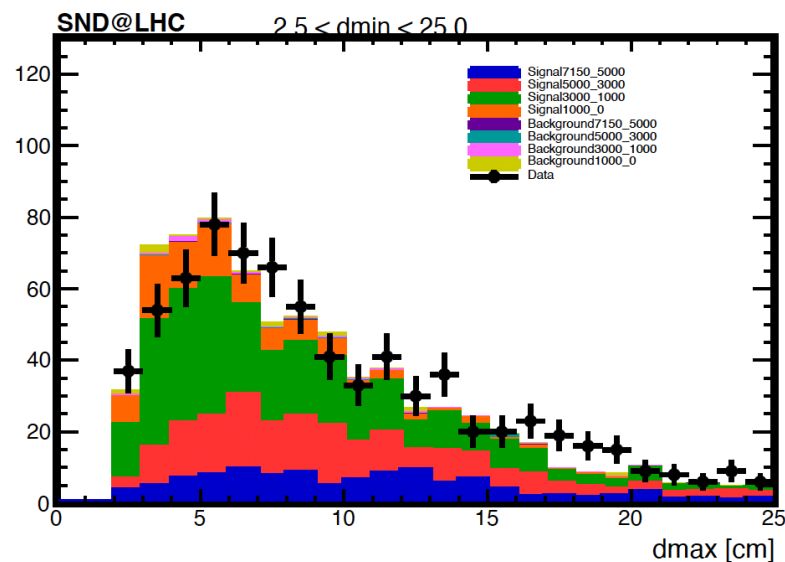
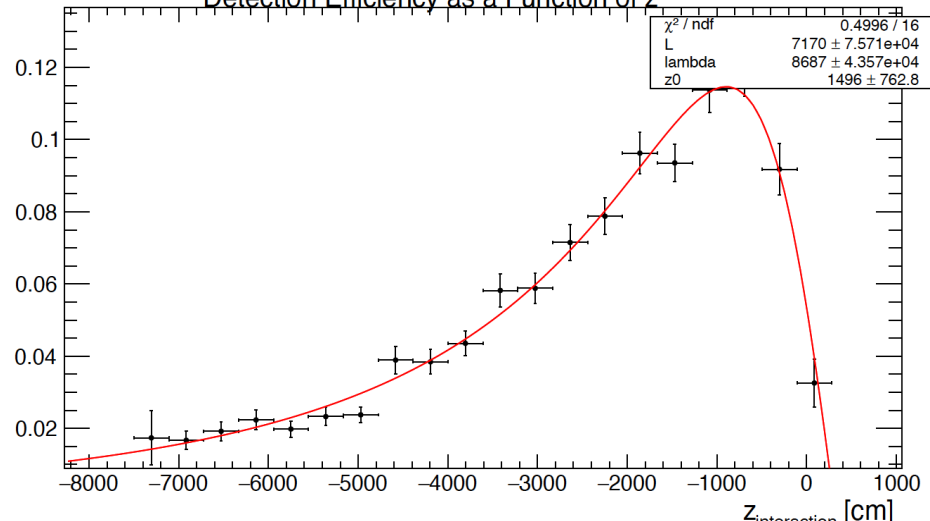


Preliminary results on the muon trident



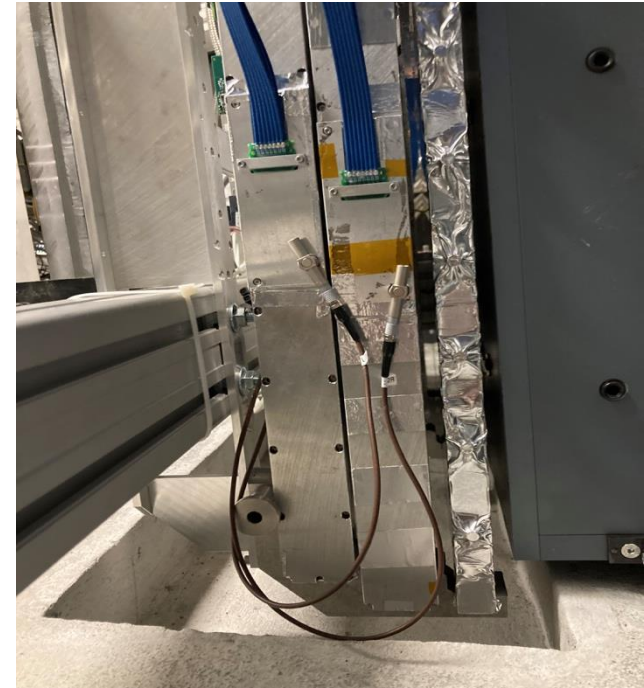
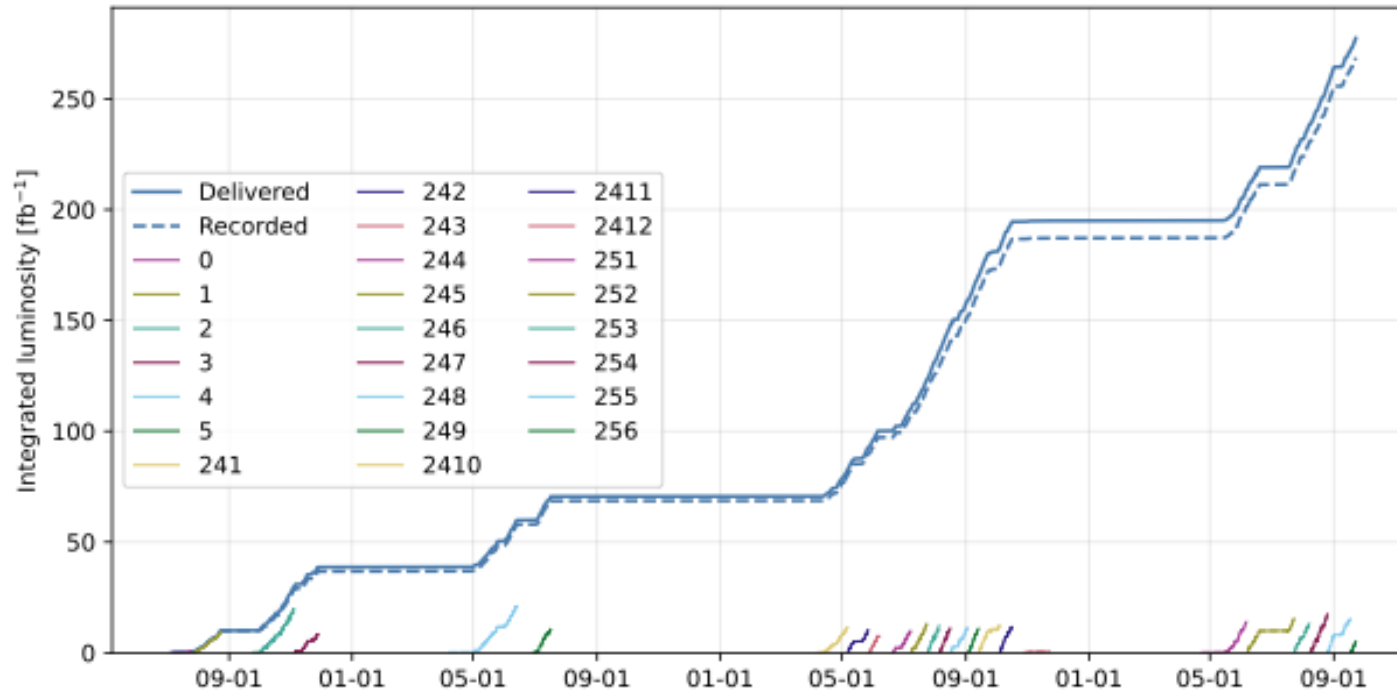
$$\sigma = 127 \pm 29 \text{ nb}$$

Detection Efficiency as a Function of z



(Much) more data coming...

Integrated luminosity above 250 fb⁻¹!



Upgraded veto system at the end of 2023

Recorded/delivered luminosity: 269/277 fb⁻¹, 97% overall

In 2025: 81/82 fb⁻¹, 98.8% efficiency

Current analyses based on 60 fb⁻¹, large statistical improvement thanks to the good LHC run in 2024-25 and to the upgrade of the detector (increase the acceptance by a factor of ~2)

SND@LHC UPGRADE FOR HL-LHC

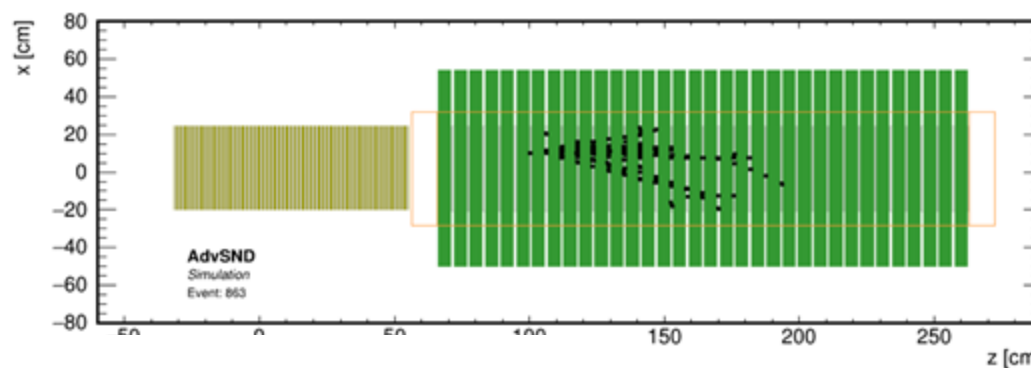
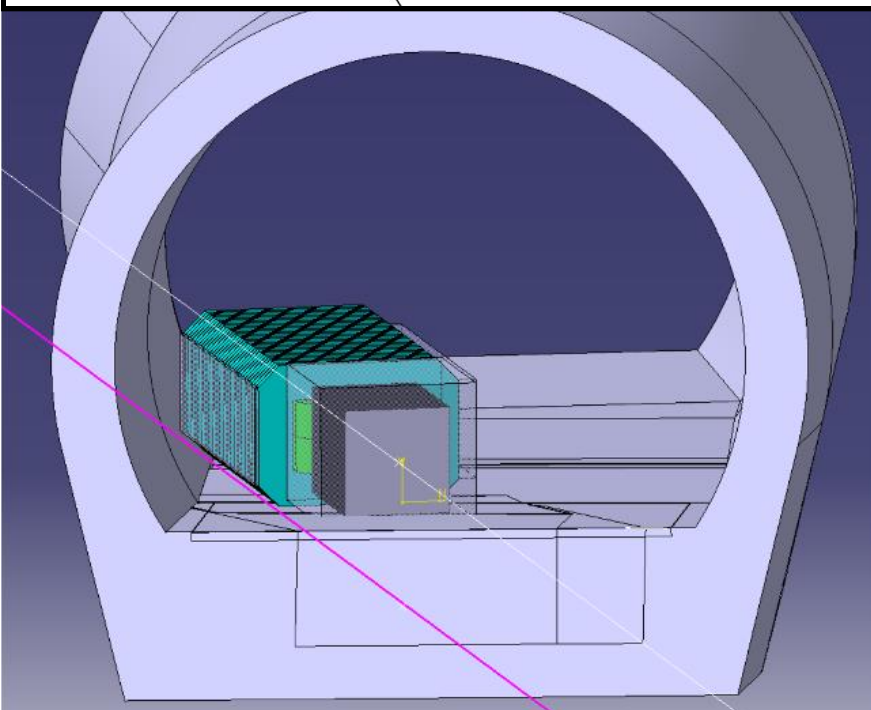
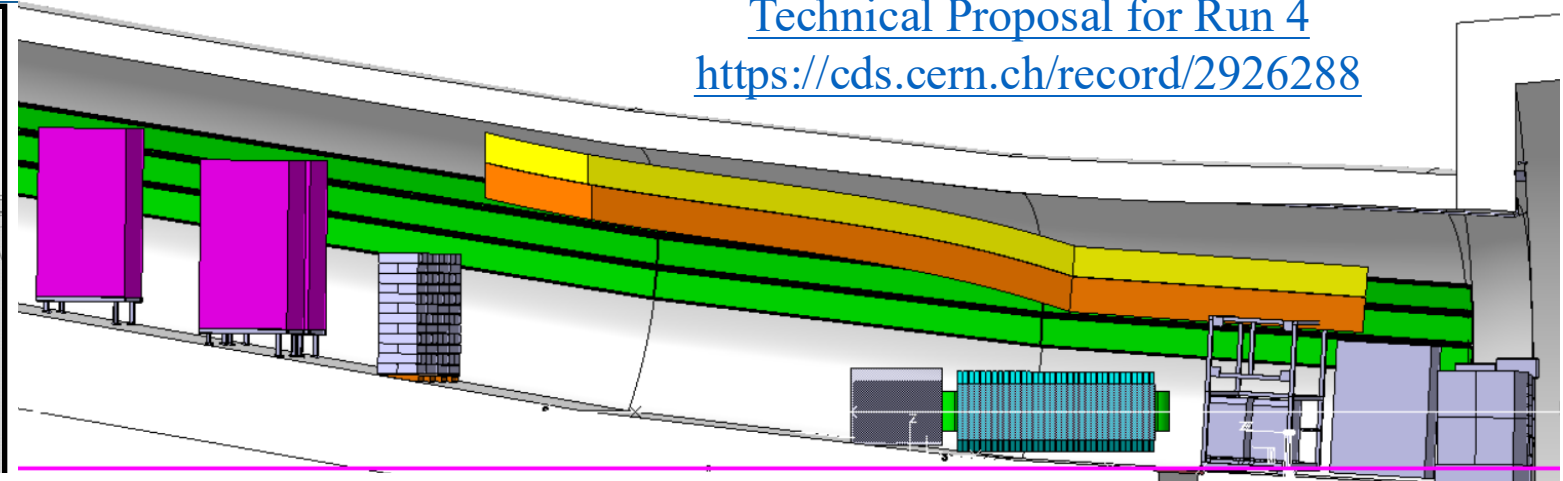
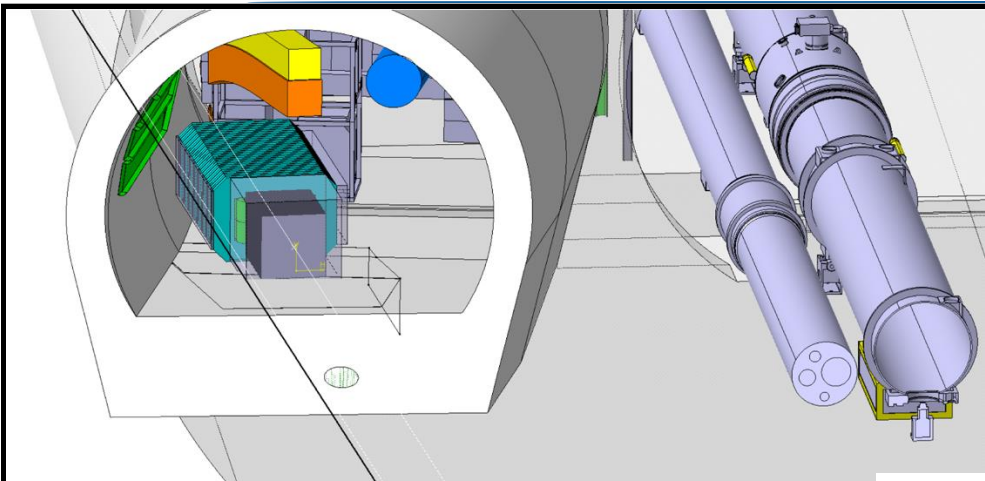


Scattering and Neutrino Detector
at the LHC

Detector for the High Luminosity Runs

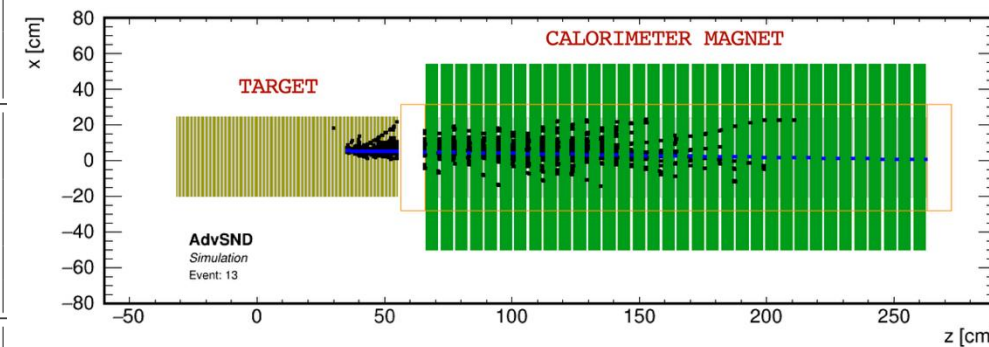


Technical Proposal for Run 4
<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2926288>



Approved in June 2025

Flavour	CC DIS		
	DPMJET π/K	charm	POWHEG+P8 charm
ν_μ	9.6×10^3	1.4×10^3	1.5×10^3
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	3.1×10^3	9.9×10^2	6.8×10^2
ν_e	5.0×10^2	1.6×10^3	1.5×10^3
$\bar{\nu}_e$	2.0×10^2	1.1×10^3	6.9×10^2
ν_τ	—	2.2×10^2	9.3×10^1
$\bar{\nu}_\tau$	—	5.7×10^1	5.0×10^1
Tot	1.3×10^4	5.4×10^3	4.5×10^3



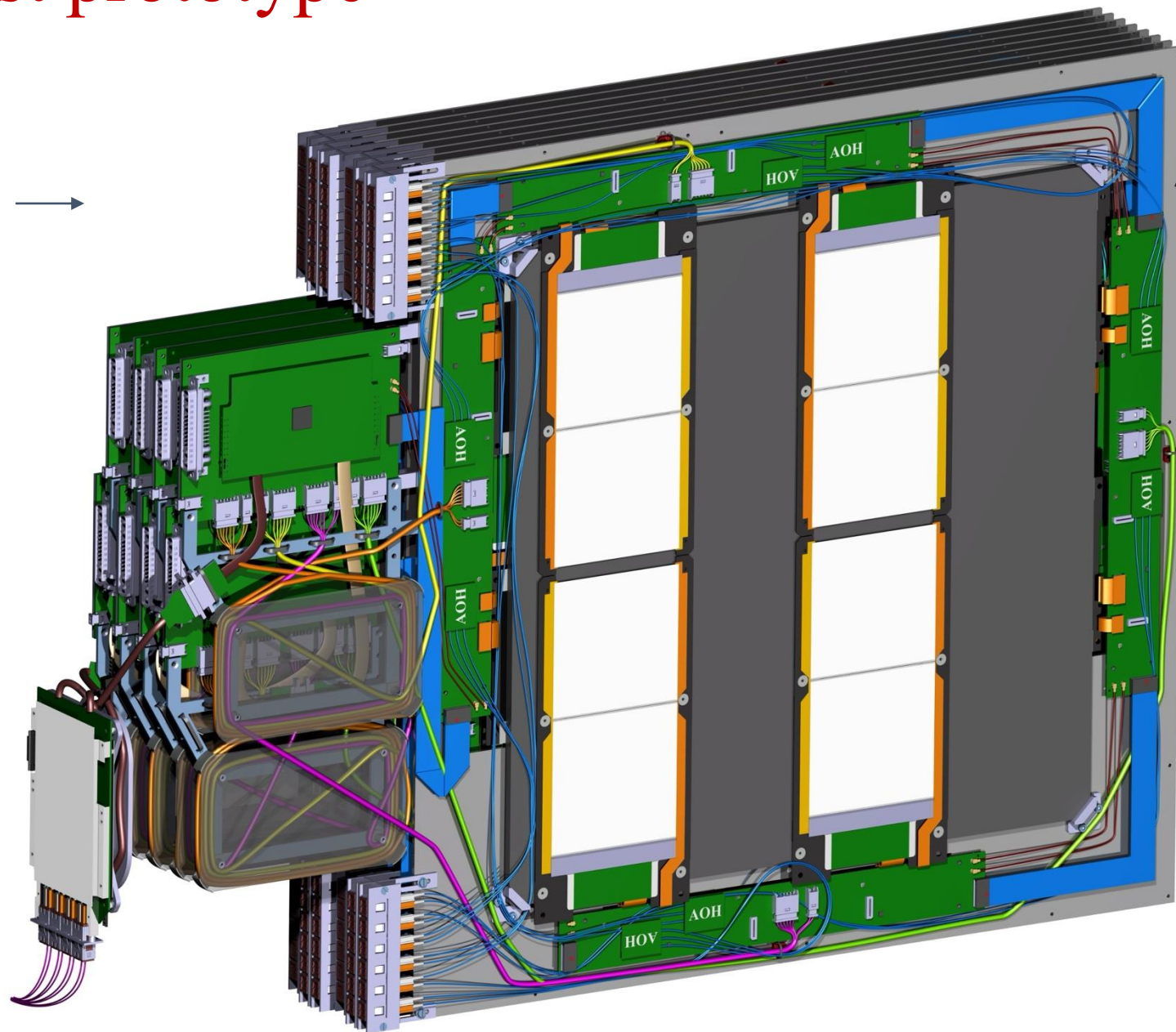
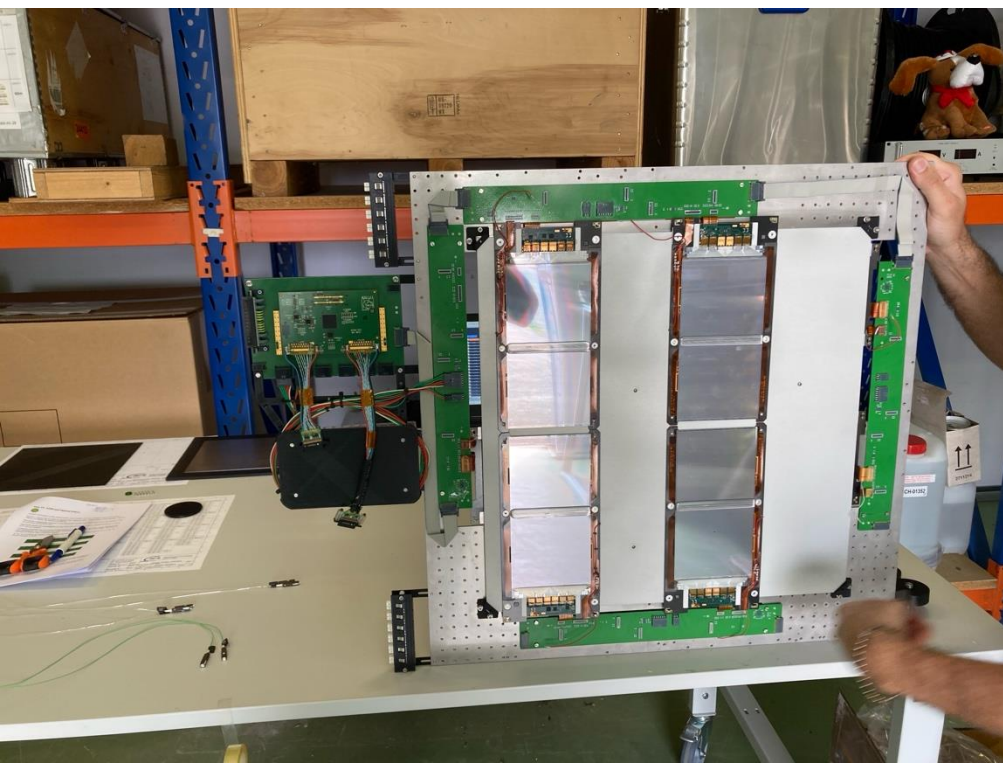
Station design and first prototype

Pitch of 15 mm

7 mm W, with 8 mm gap to host silicon modules

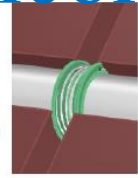
A block of 8-10 consecutive stations is controlled by a Digital OptoHybrid Module

Mechanical assembly verified in July





Magnetised tracking (silicon) calorimeter



Spacers

Coil
retainer

Upper rods

Target

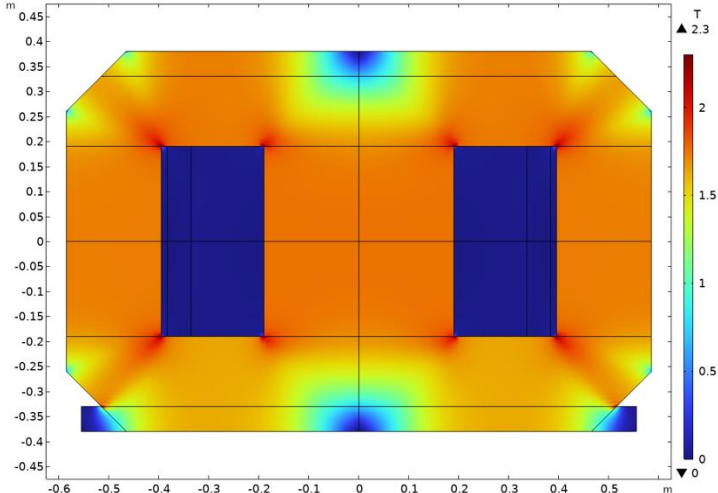
Front end-plate

Clamping
bolts

Rear end-plate

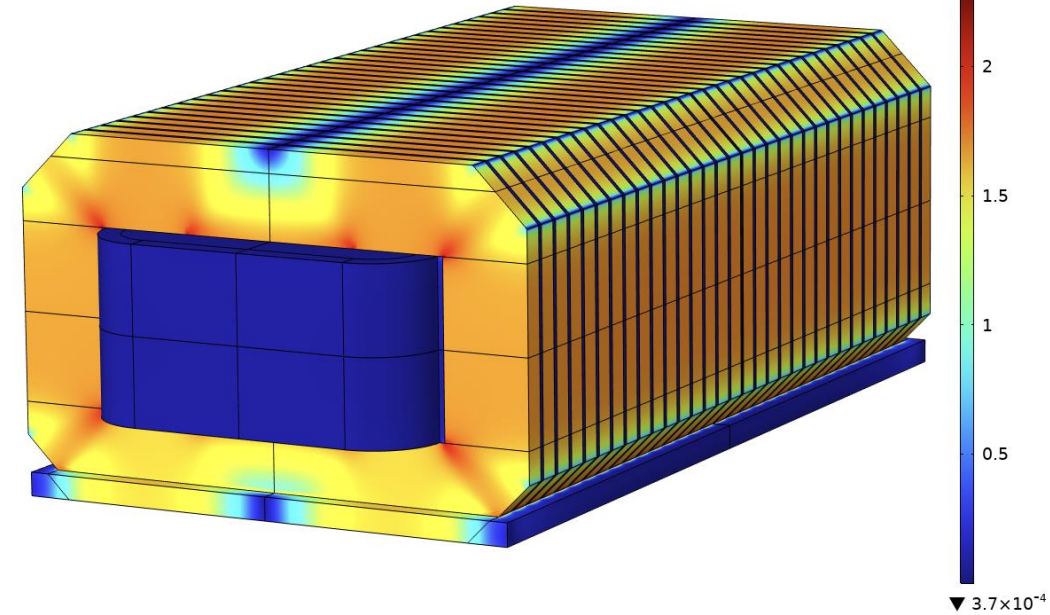
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Surface: Magnetic flux density norm (T)



Volume: Magnetic flux density norm (T)

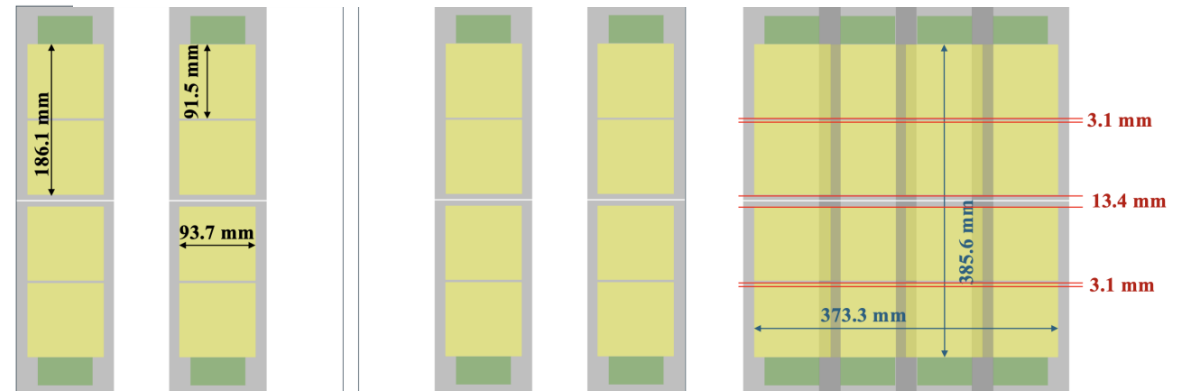
Segmentation to easy assembly



Front

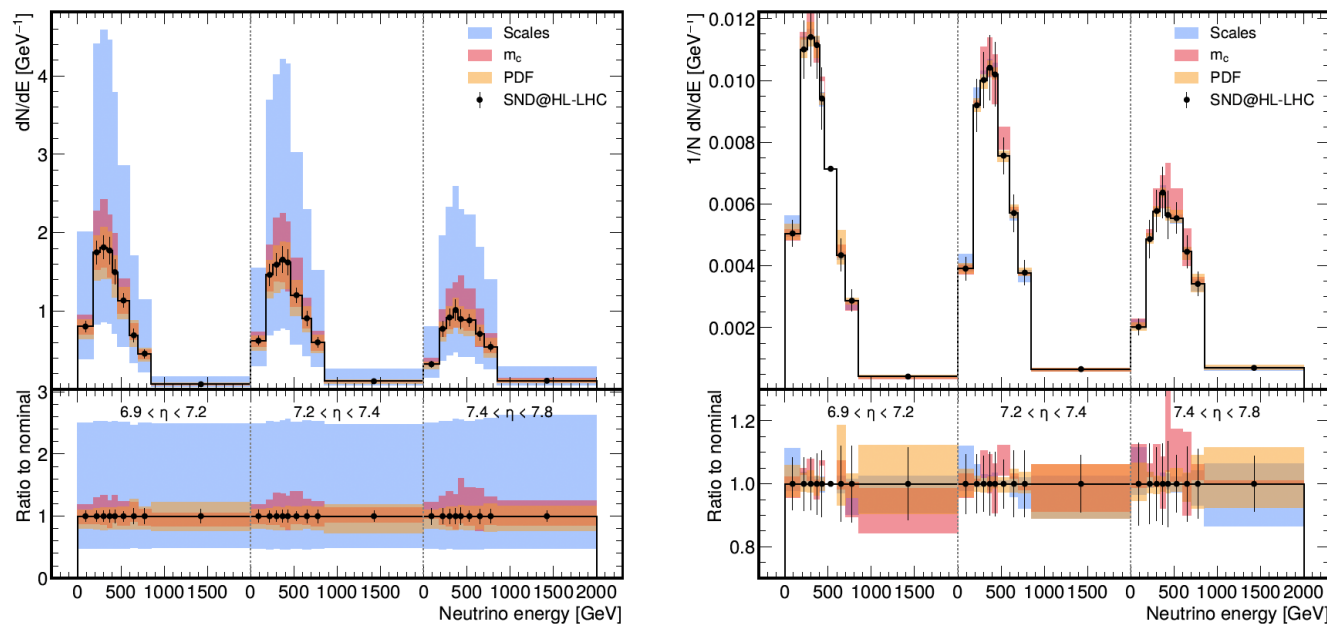
Back

Active layer





Physics case in the High-Luminosity era in a nutshell

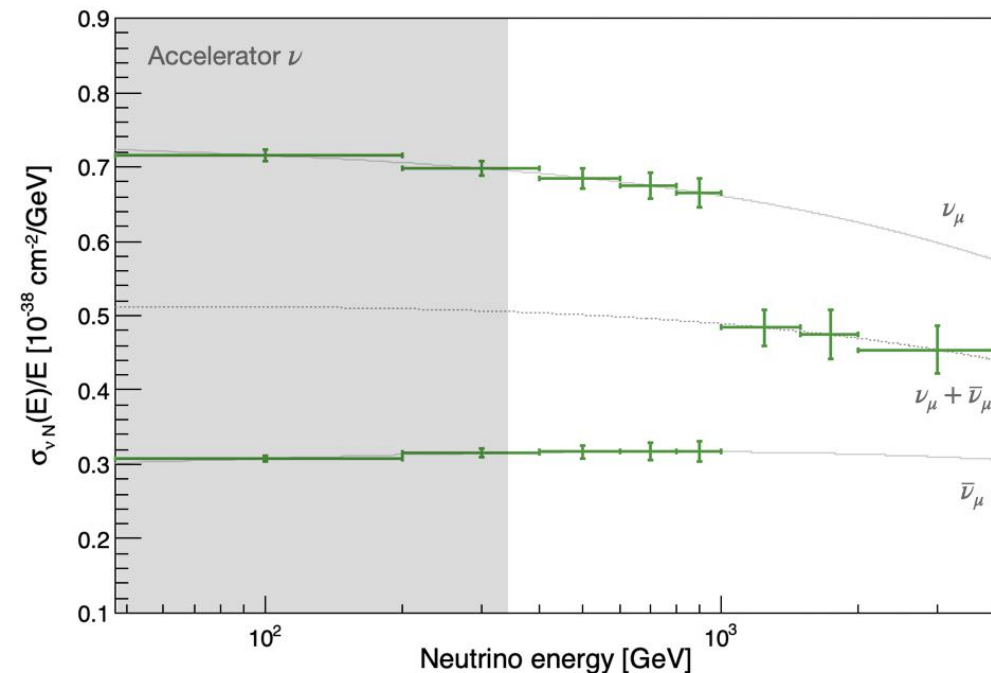


- Energy and η distribution of (charm-induced) ν_e CC interactions
- Left: event yield. Right: normalized to an arbitrarily chosen reference bin

Measurement	Uncertainty		Uncertainty	
	Stat.	Sys.	Stat.	Sys.
Gluon PDF	5%	35%	2%	5%
ν_e/ν_τ ratio for LFU test	30%	22%	6%	10%
ν_e/ν_μ ratio for LFU test	10%	10%	2%	5%
Charm-tagged ν_e/ν_μ ratio for LFU test	-	-	10%	< 5%
ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ cross-section	-	-	1%	5%

Run3

HL

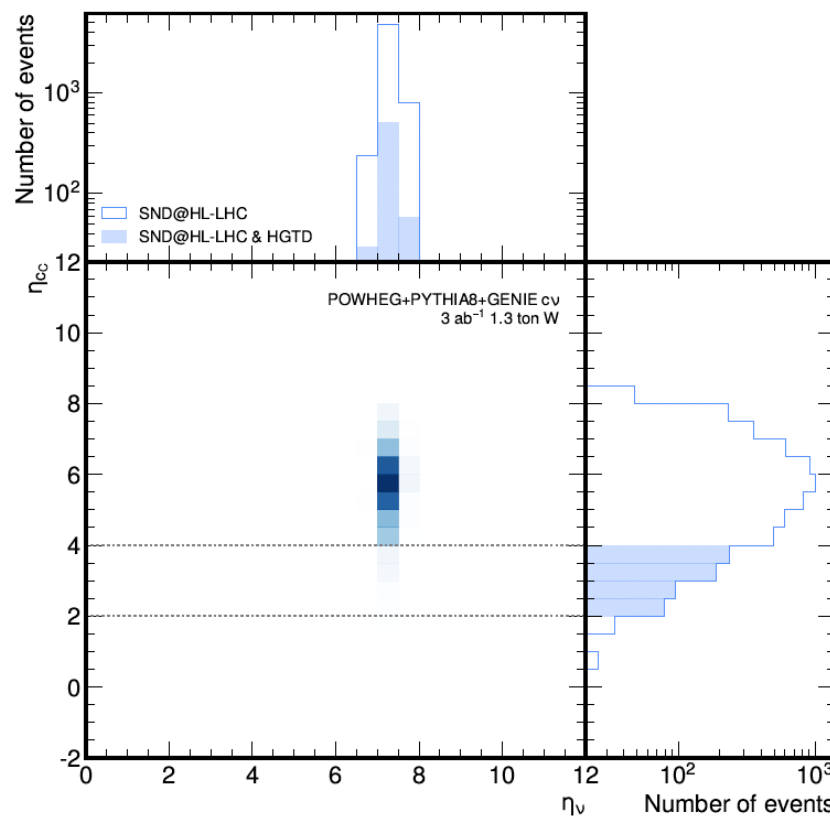
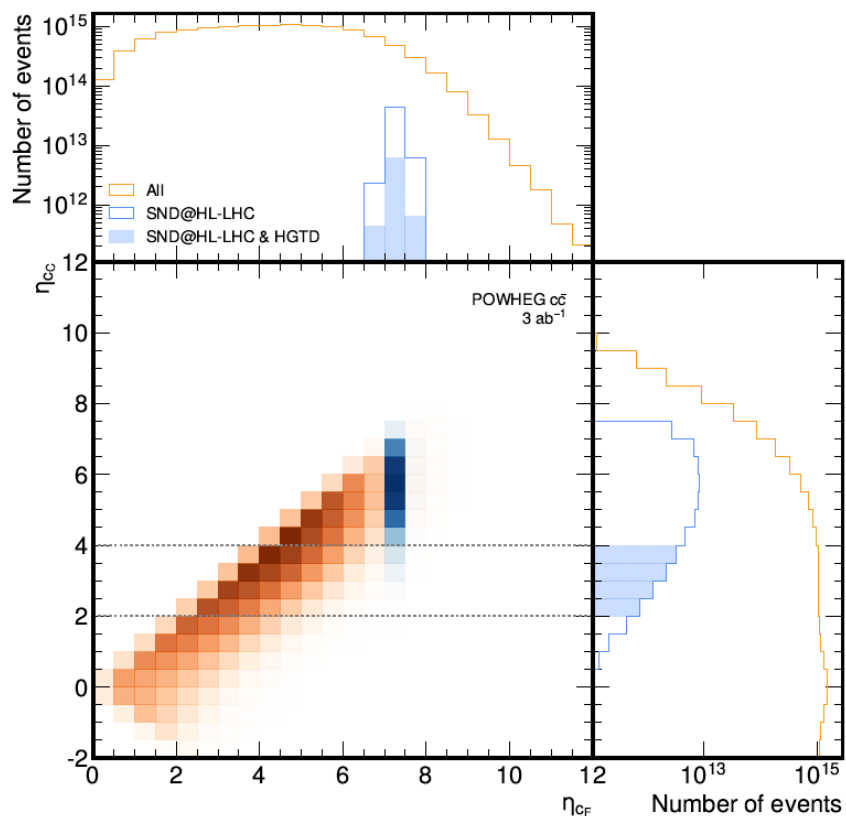
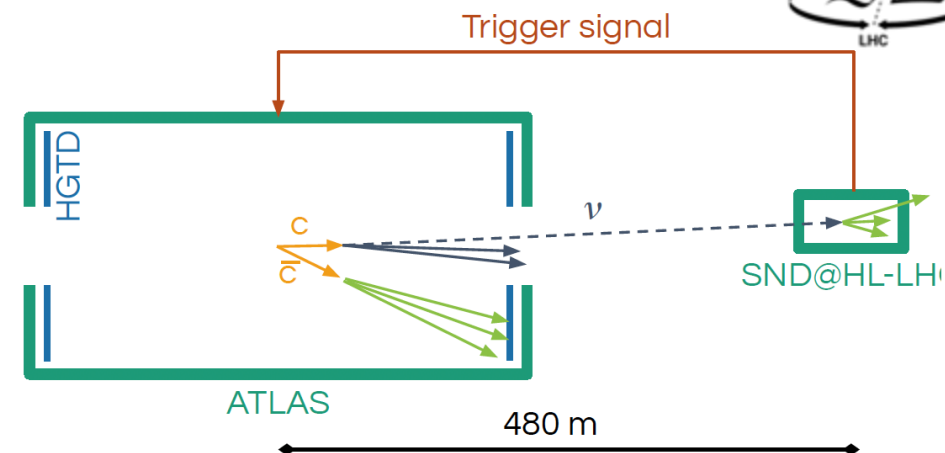


Extending ν cross-section measurements to a few TeV

Technical Proposal for Run 4
<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2926288>

ν tagging: triggering ATLAS with ν events

- Forward charm producing a neutrino
- Less-forward charm being detected in ATLAS
- In $\sim 10\div 15\%$ of ν events, the partner charm is in the ATLAS acceptance ($2 < \eta < 4$)



- Number of events in 3 ab^{-1} : ~ 1000

The SHiP (Search for Hidden Sector) experiment at CERN

<http://cds.cern.ch/record/2007512/files/SPSC-P-350.pdf> Technical Proposal in 2015

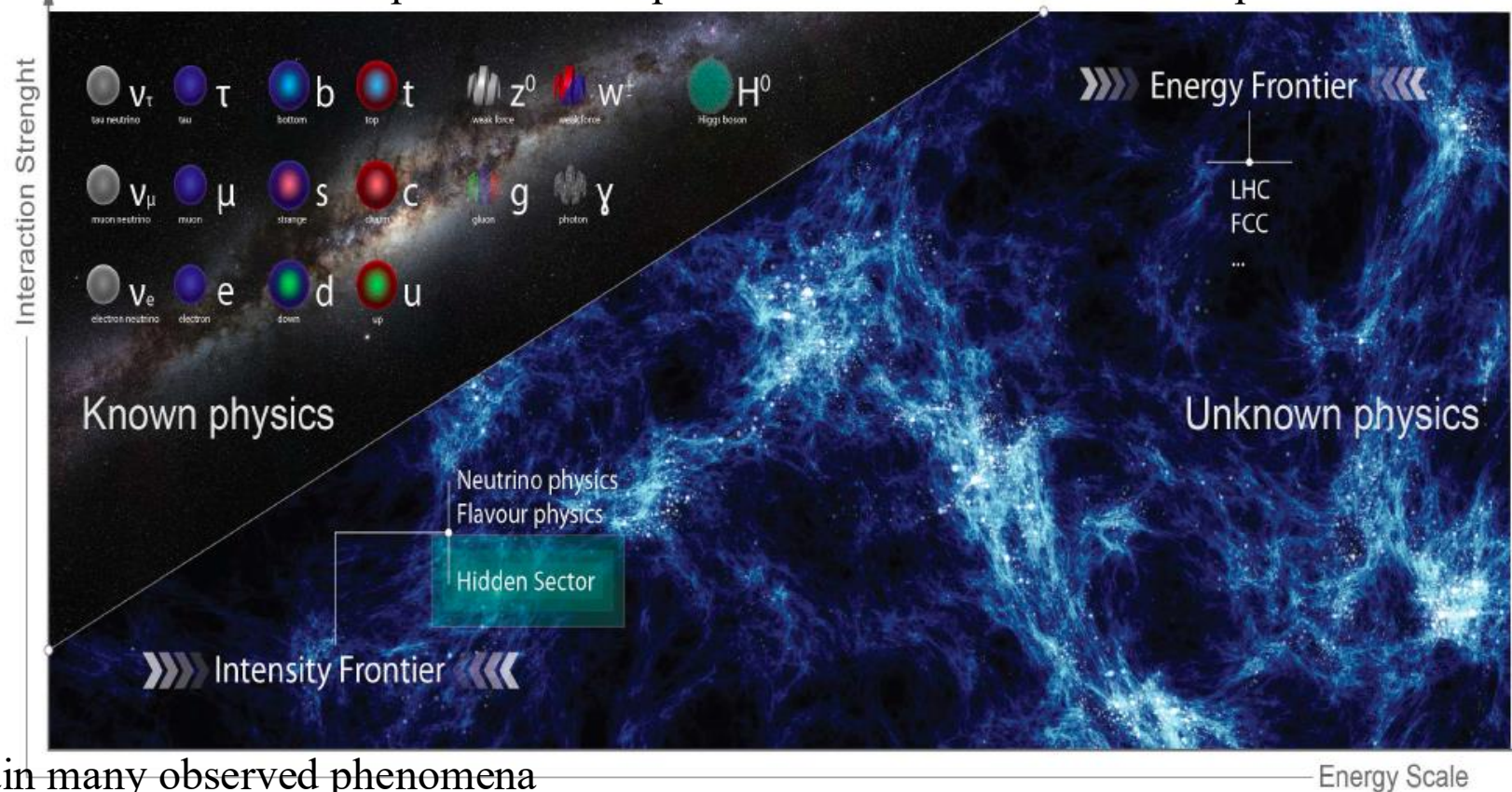
EPJC (2022) 82:486





Motivation

- ◆ The **Standard Model** provides an explanation for most of subatomic processes



- ◆ It fails to explain many observed phenomena

- **Dark Matter**
- **Neutrino Oscillation and masses**
- **Matter/antimatter asymmetry in the Universe**

Energy Frontier:

Heavy particles → high energy collisions

- ◆ A **Hidden Sector (HS)** of weakly-interacting BSM particles as an explanation

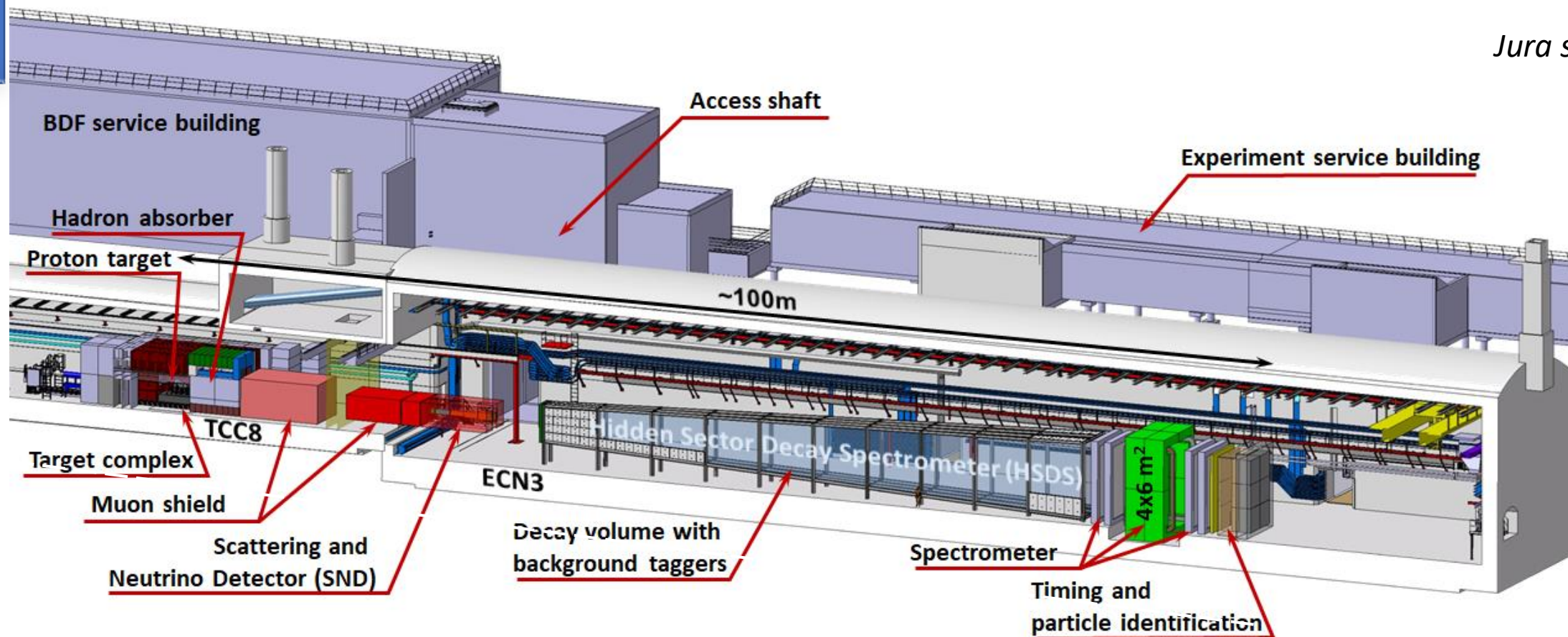
Intensity Frontier:

Very weakly interacting particles
→ high intensity beam



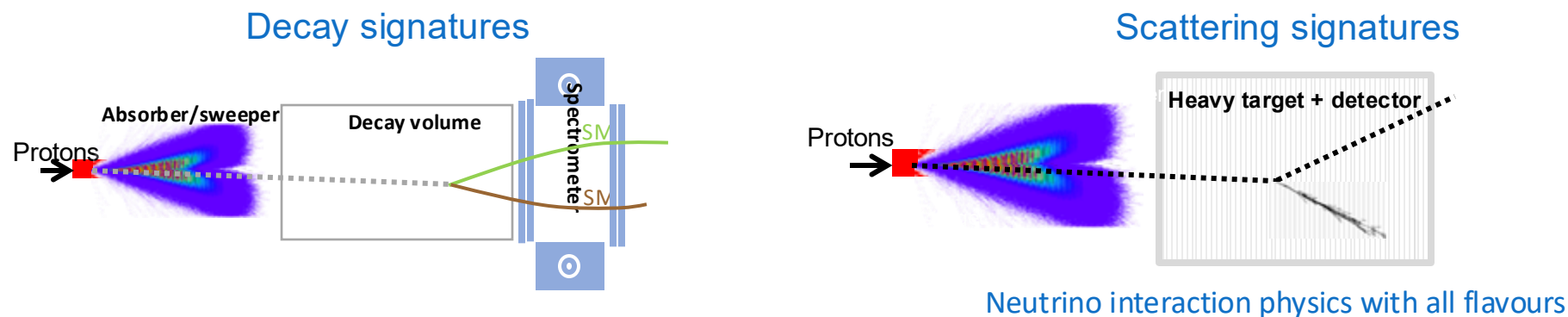
SHiP detector in more detail

Jura side



BDF/SHiP experimental techniques

→ Explore Light Dark Matter, and associated mediators - generically domain of FIPs - and ν mass generation through:



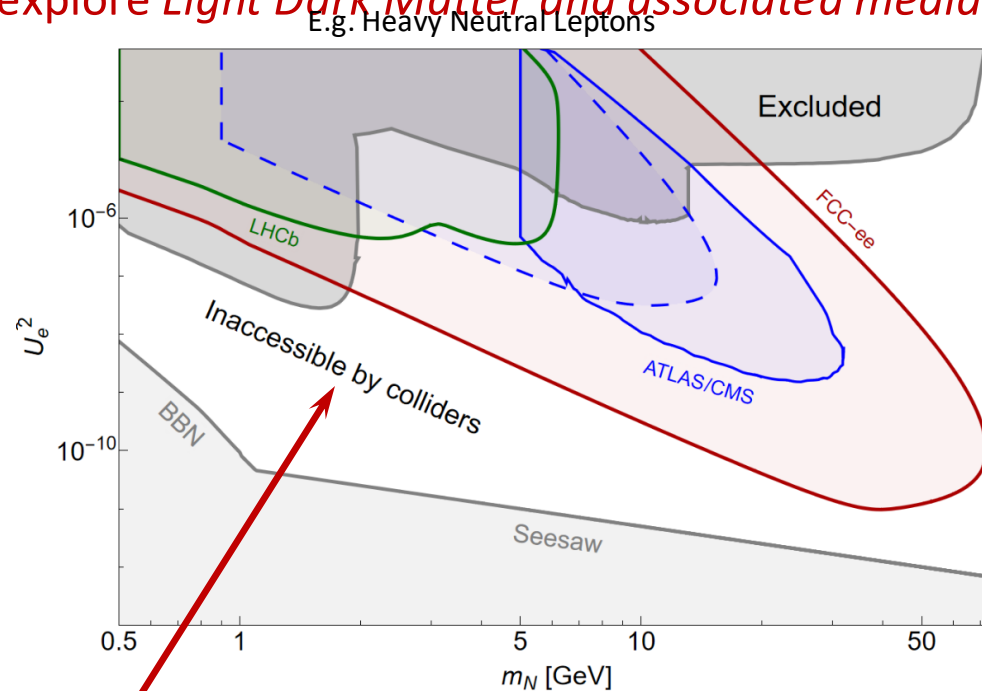
- Acceptance optimisation of both techniques described in [arXiv:2304.02511](https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.02511), *EPJC* 83 (2023) 12
- Exhaustive search by aiming at model-independent detector setup
 - Full reconstruction and identification of both fully and partially reconstructible modes
 - Sensitivity to partially reconstructed modes also proxy for the unknown
 - In case of discovery → precise measurements to discriminate between models / test compatibility with hypothetical signal

→ FIP decay signature search in background-free environment and LDM scattering

→ Rich neutrino interaction physics with access to tau neutrino

SHiP strategy

- Full exploitation of physics potential of SPS available since CNGS ([Rep. Prog. Phys. 79 \(2016\) 124201](#))
- Rich and relevant physics programme with the injectors at CERN going beyond LHC, bridging gap to next collider
- ➔ SPS suitability to explore *Light Dark Matter and associated mediators, and ν mass generation* – FIPs generically

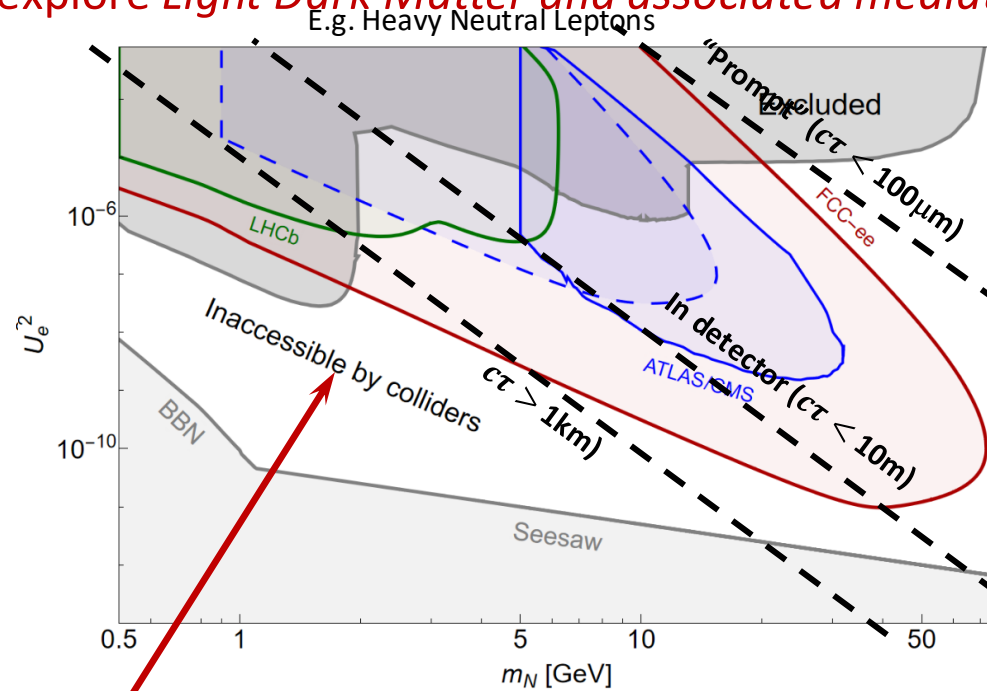


Similar behaviour $\tau_{FIP} \propto \frac{1}{\epsilon_{FIP}^x m_{FIP}^y}$
for all types of FIPs

- ➔ Region that can *only* be explored by optimised beam-dump experiment
 - ➔ Production modes in limited forward cone – large lifetime acceptance
 - ➔ SPS energy and intensity provide huge production of charm, beauty and electromagnetic processes
 - ➔ Unique *direct discovery potential in the world in the heavy flavour region*, capable of reaching “physical floor/background floor”

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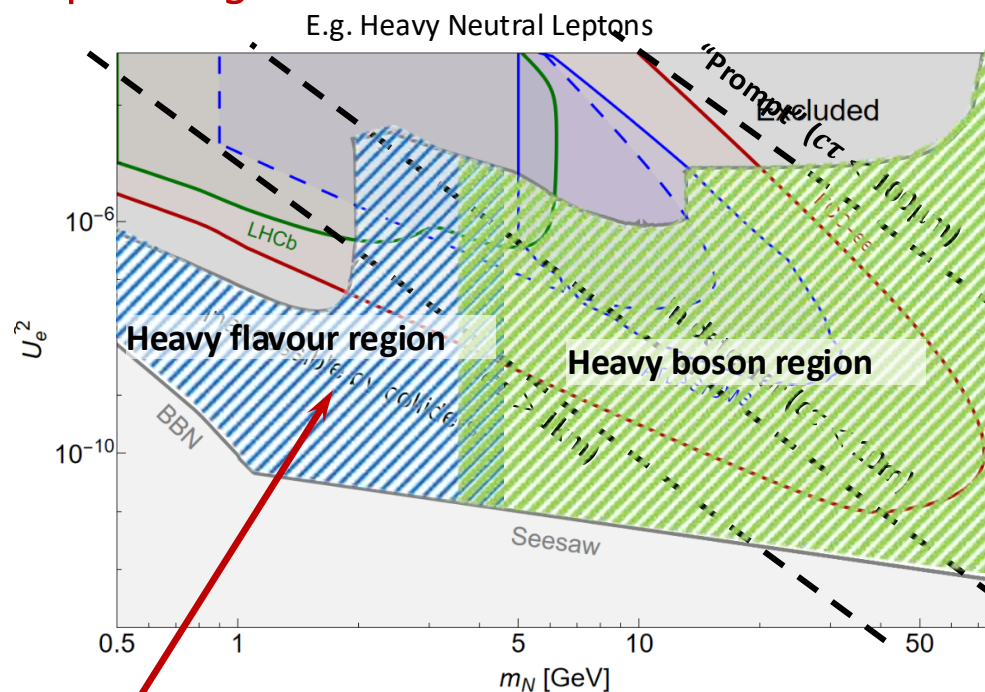
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SHiP strategy

- Full exploitation of physics potential of SPS available since CNGS ([Rep. Prog. Phys. 79 \(2016\) 124201](#))
- Rich and relevant physics programme with the injectors at CERN going beyond LHC, bridging gap to next collider

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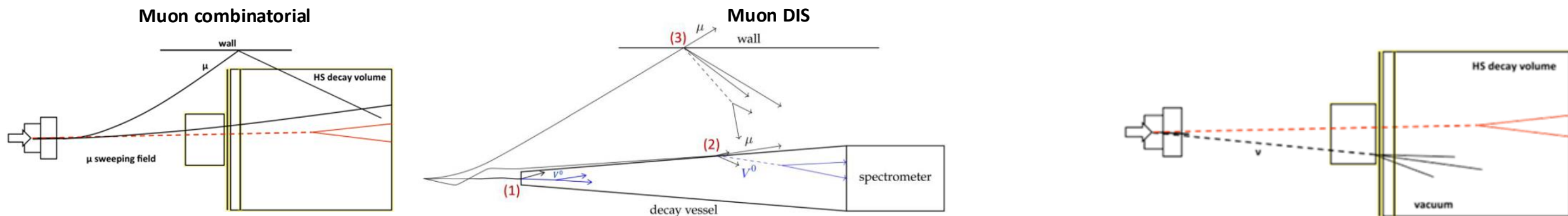
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HSDS: FIP decay search background evaluation

Three categories of background from residual muons and neutrinos



- Backgrounds from μ and ν DIS dominated by random combinations of secondaries, not by V^0 s

➔ Very simple and common selection for both fully and partially reconstructed events – model independence

➔ Possibility to measure background with data, relaxing veto and selection cuts, muon shield, decay volume

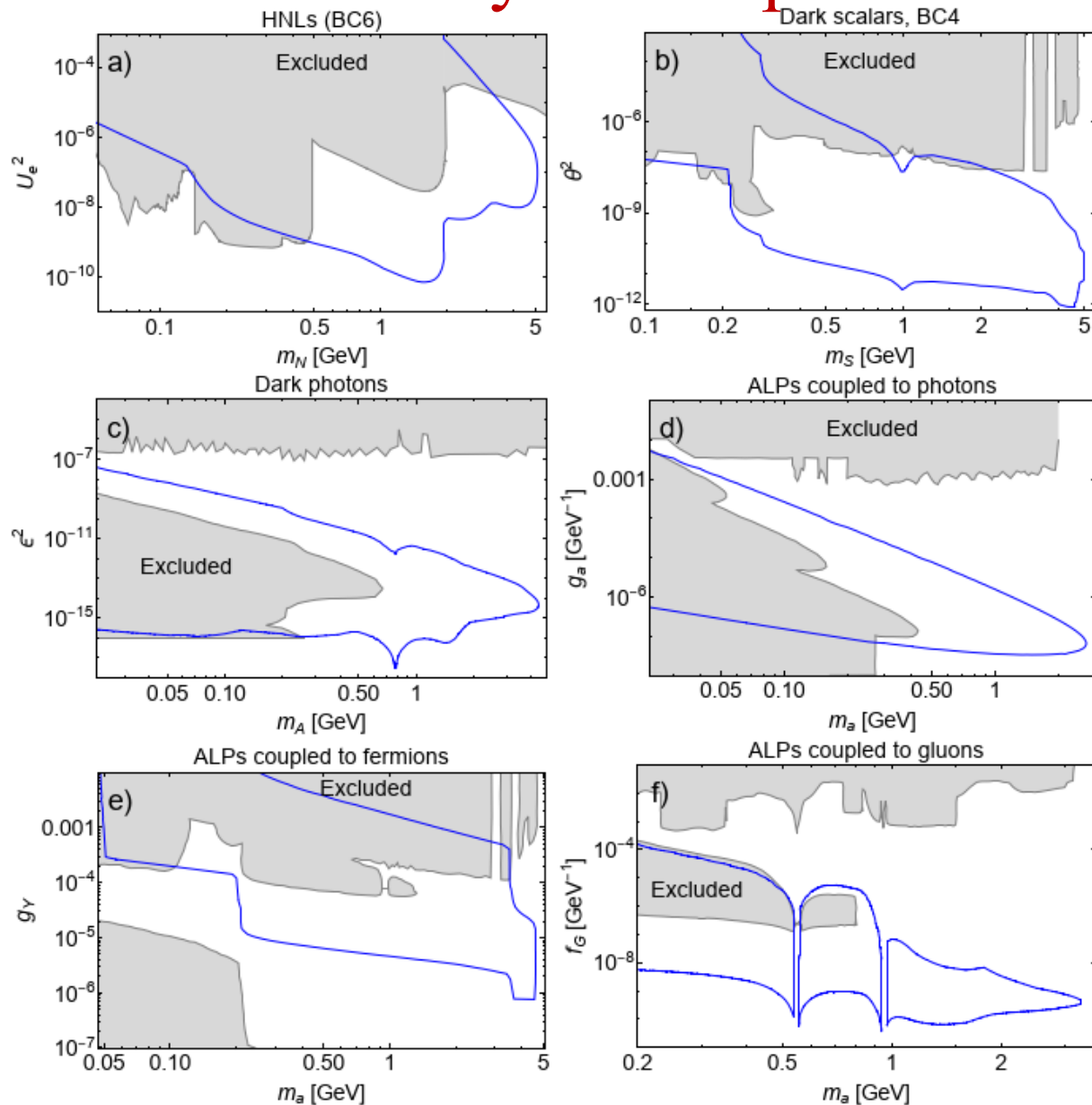
Criterion	Selection	Requirement
Track momentum (and track quality)		$> 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
Vertex quality (distance of closest approach)		$< 1 \text{ cm}$
Track pair vertex position in decay volume		$> 5 \text{ cm}$ from inner wall $> 100 \text{ cm}$ from entrance (partially)
Impact parameter w.r.t. target (fully reconstructed)		$< 10 \text{ cm}$
Impact parameter w.r.t. target (partially reconstructed)		$< 250 \text{ cm}$

✚ Time coincidence ✚ UBT/SBT

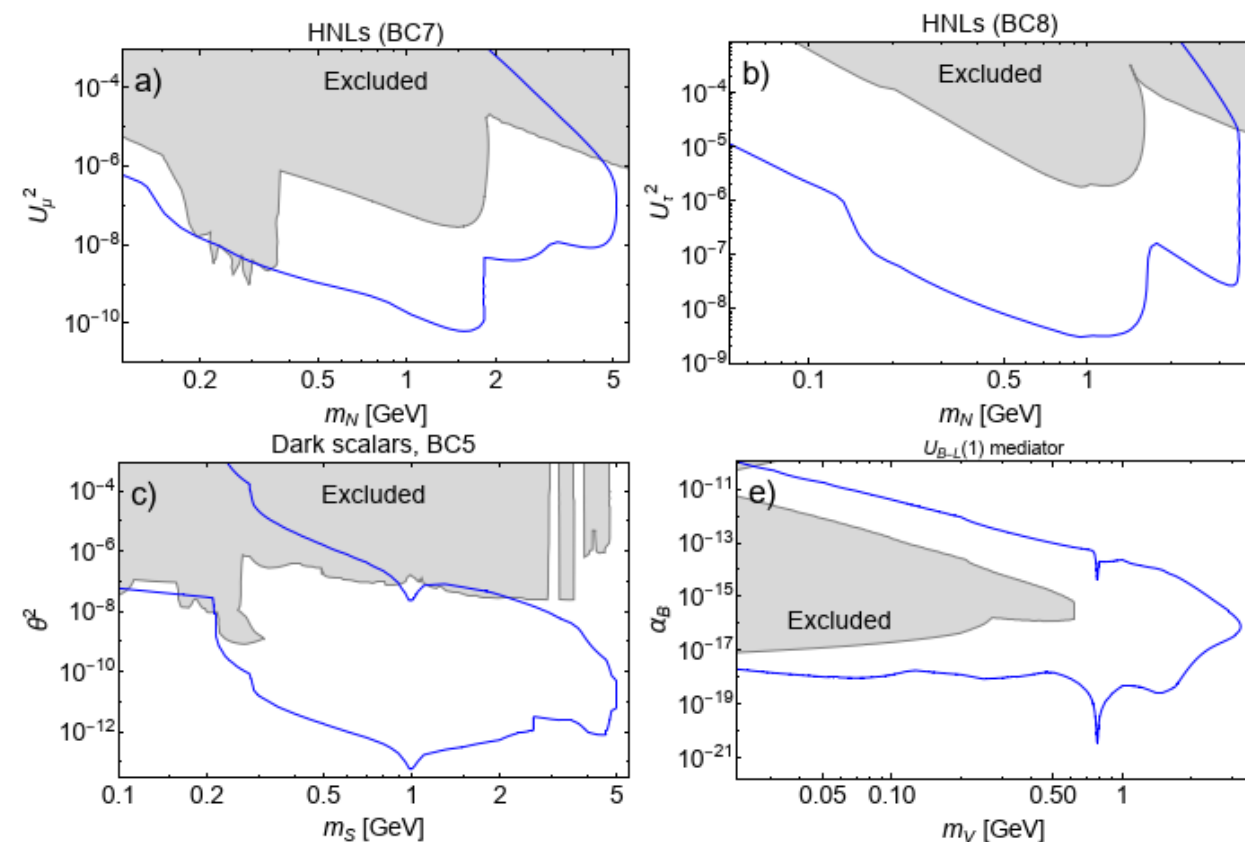
Expected background is < 1 event
for 6×10^{20} pot (15 years of operation)

Background source	Expected events
Neutrino DIS	< 0.1 (fully) / < 0.3 (partially)
Muon DIS (factorisation)*	$< 5 \times 10^{-3}$ (fully) / < 0.2 (partially)
Muon combinatorial	$(1.3 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-4}$

HSDS: FIP decay search performance, all benchmark models



SHiP sensitivity not limited by backgrounds in 6×10^{20} PoT

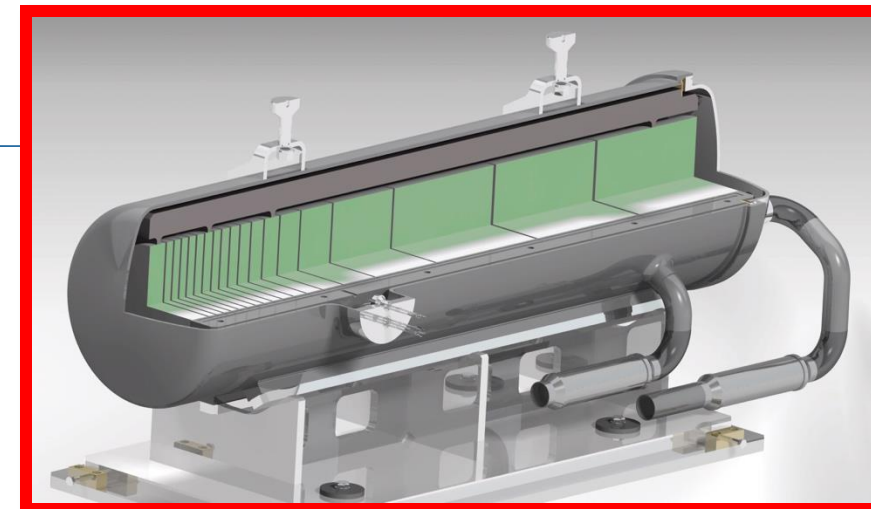


+ also SUSY-related benchmarks

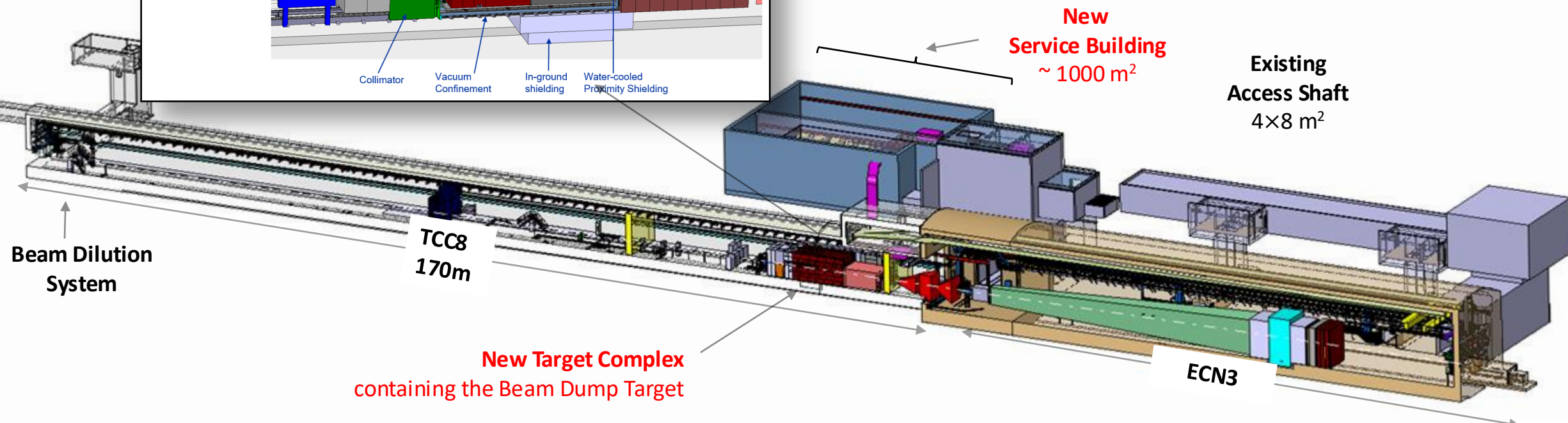
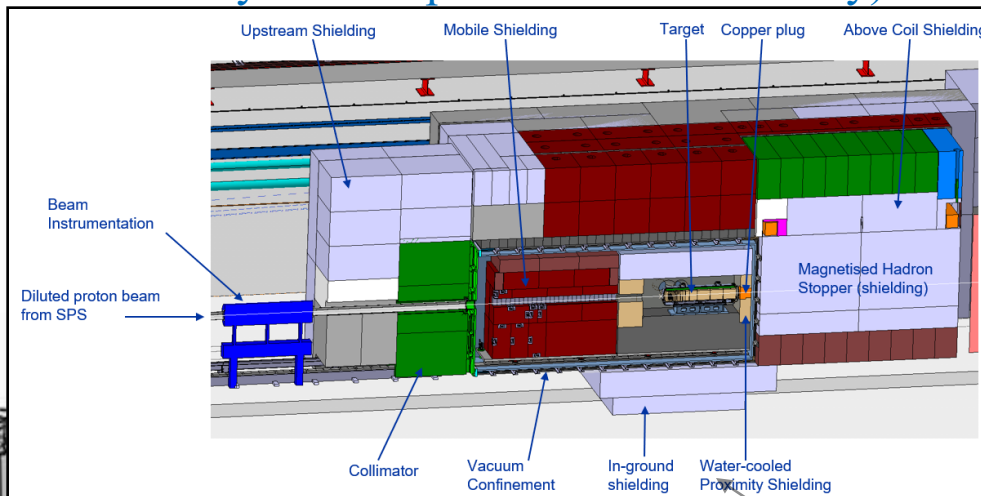
Exploration of $(2-5 \otimes 1-2)$ orders of magnitude (coupling $^2 \otimes$ mass) beyond current experiments in all benchmark models

BDF/SHiP target complex

- BDF will host the highest activation equipment CERN has ever had
- Target design to be a **replaceable component** (5 y operation as target compared with 15+ years of operation for the facility)

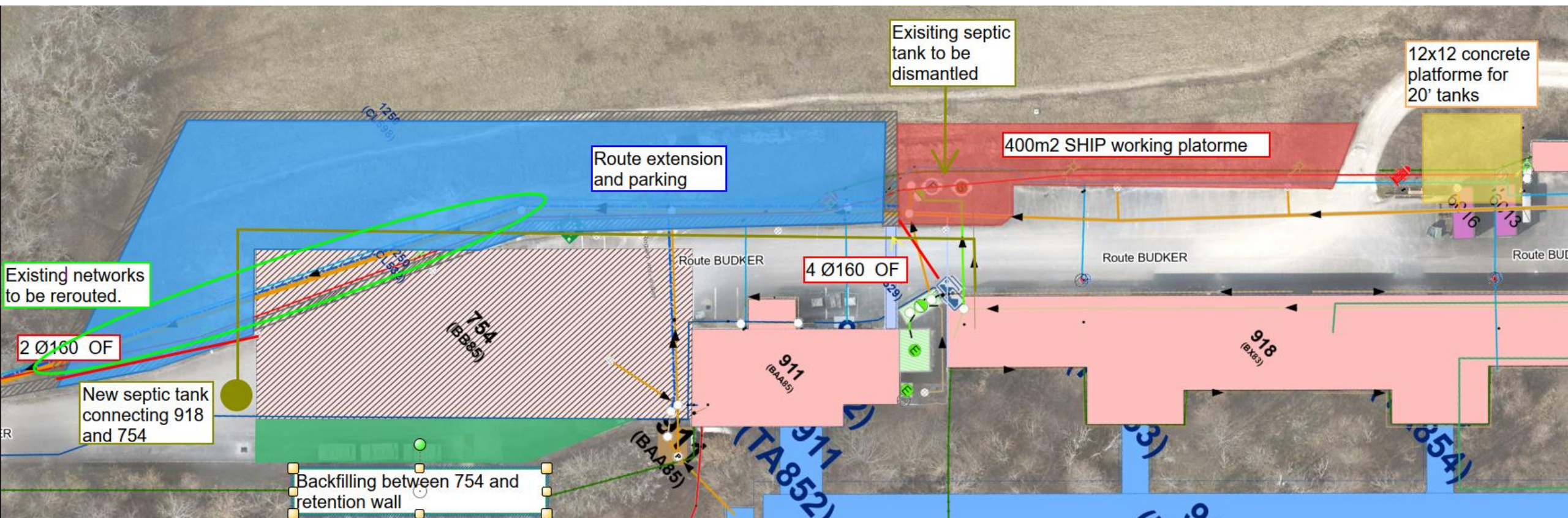


1.5m Tungsten Target

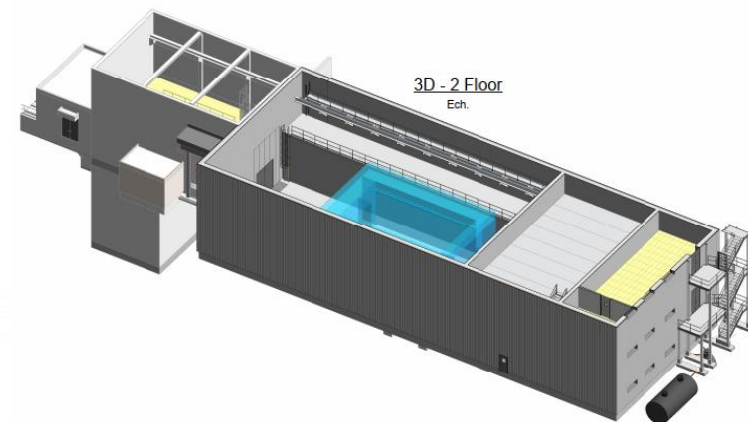
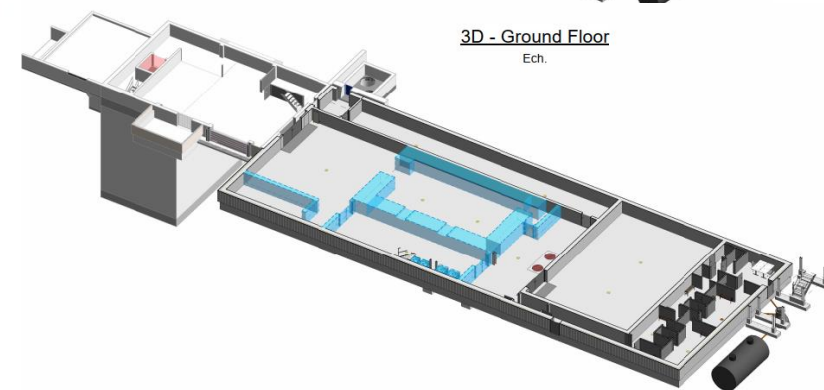
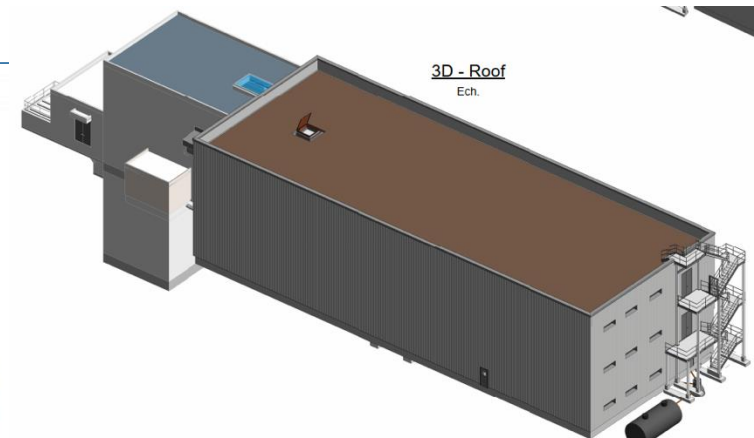
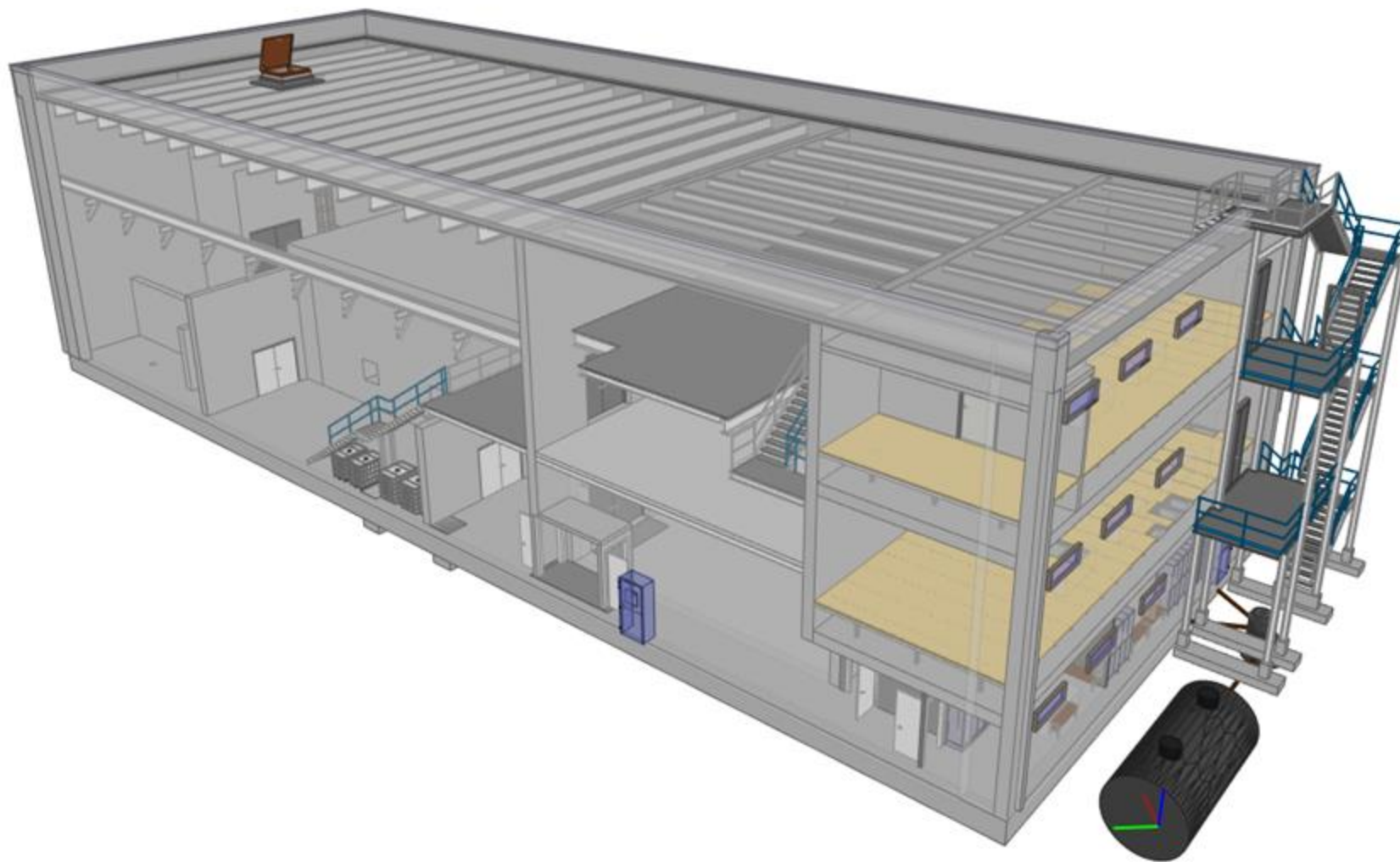


Civil engineering scope

- Civil Engineering Procurement for HI-ECN3 starting soon
 - **Scope:** new surface building for BDF target complex (B754), underground excavation and renovation of B911, B912 and B918



Civil Engineering: B754



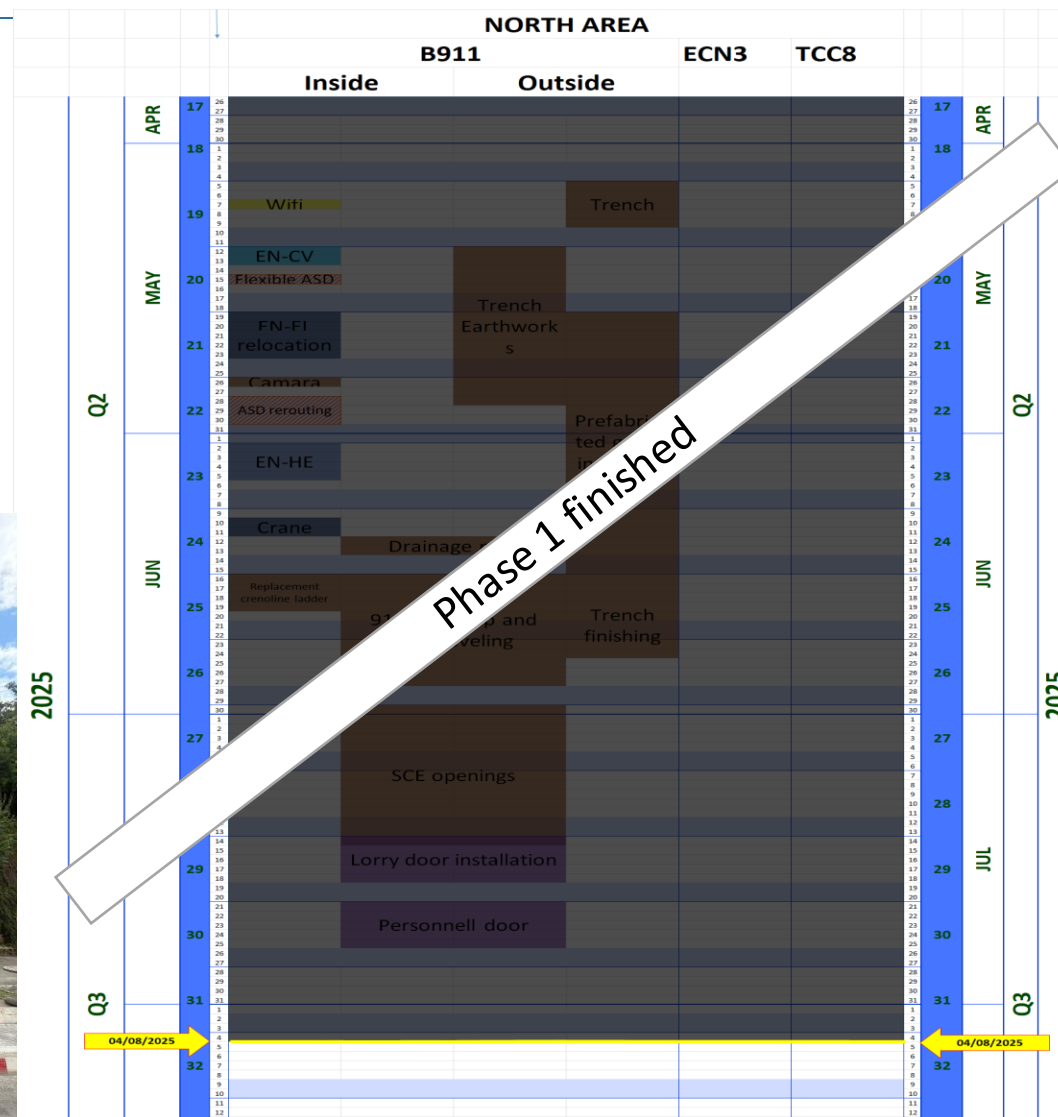
Ready to construct B754



Trench

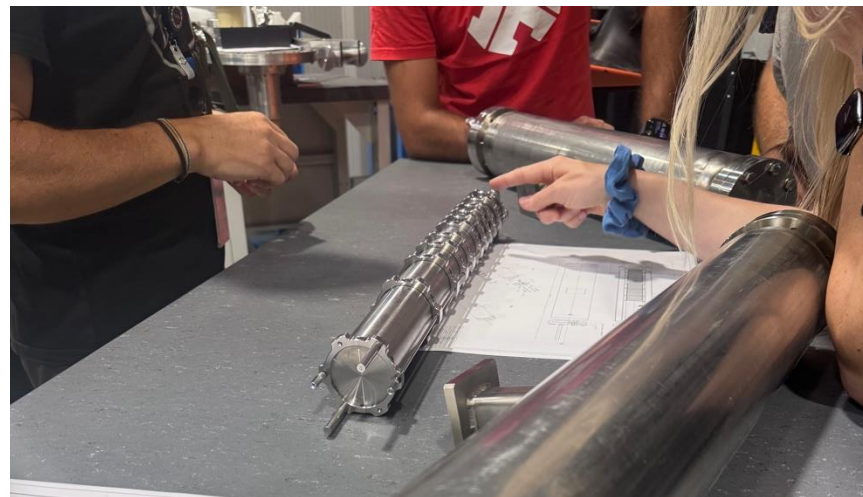


New B911 doors

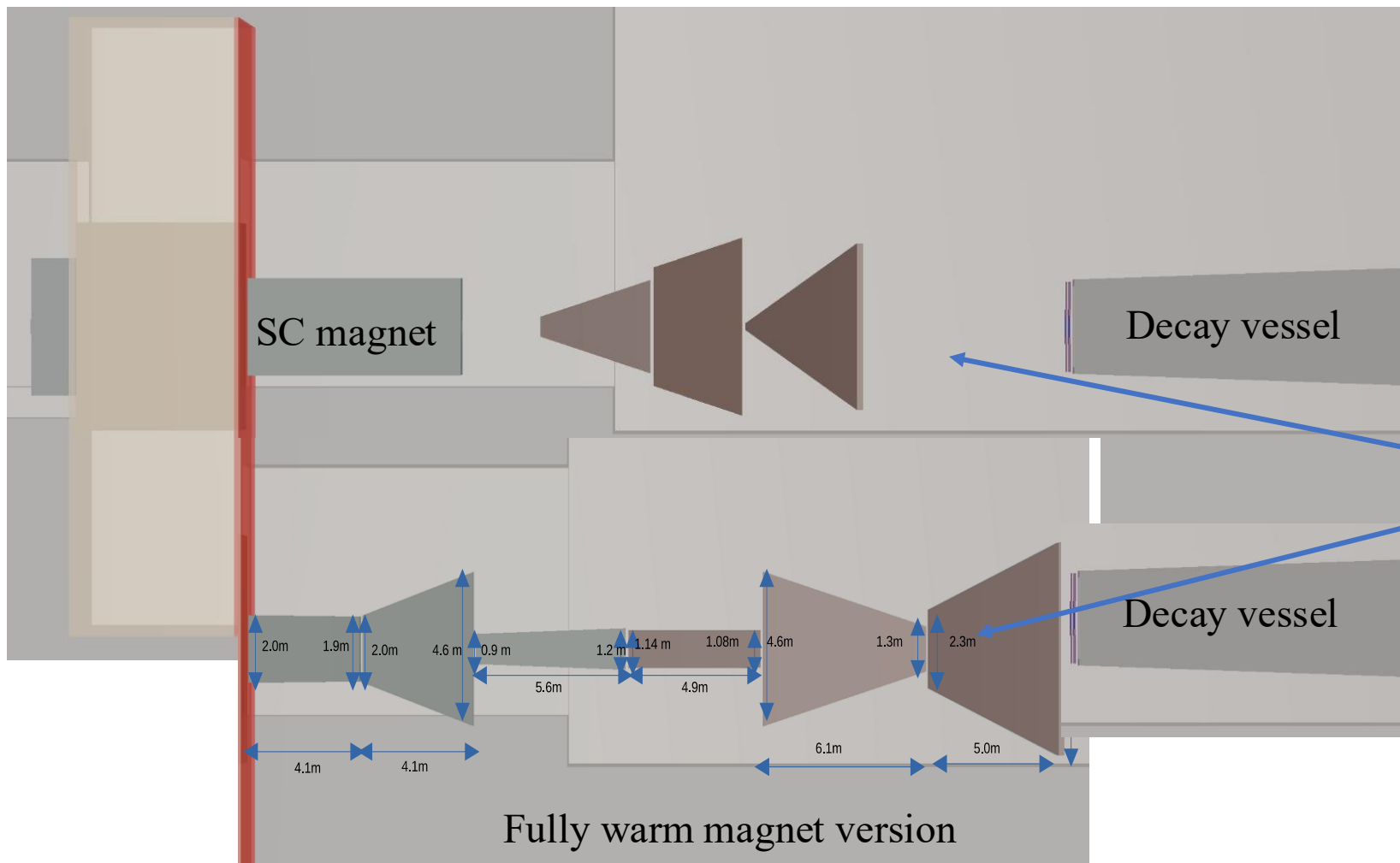


BDF target R&D

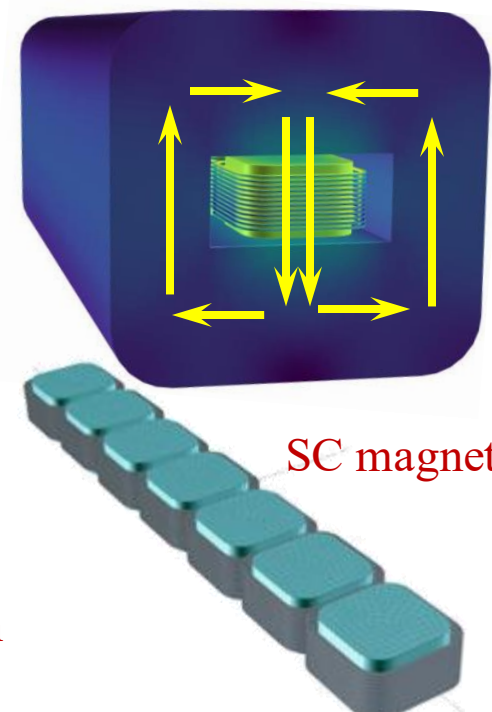
- BDF He-cooled prototype target tests going ahead:
 - **Static test (no active cooling) in 2025:** installed in TCC2 last Wednesday 10th September 2025
 - **Dynamic test (helium-cooled system) in 2026:** He compressor under procurement, installation integrated in planning for YETS25/26 thanks to BE-EA and NA-CONS



SND detector embedded in the muon shield



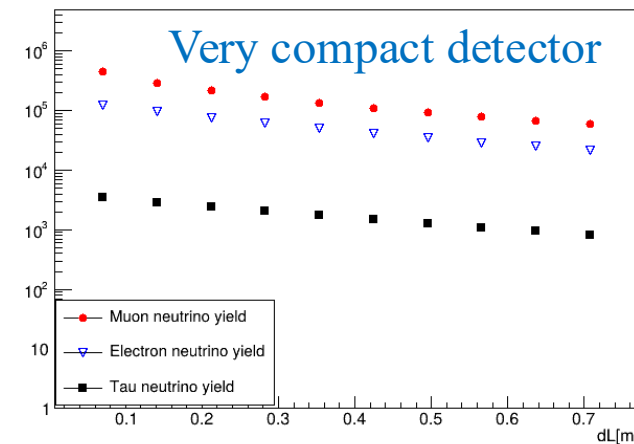
Ongoing R&D on SC magnet with HTS technology for a hybrid version



Fully warm version

SND requires a muon spectrometer (magnet) → embed it within the magnetised iron of the muon shield

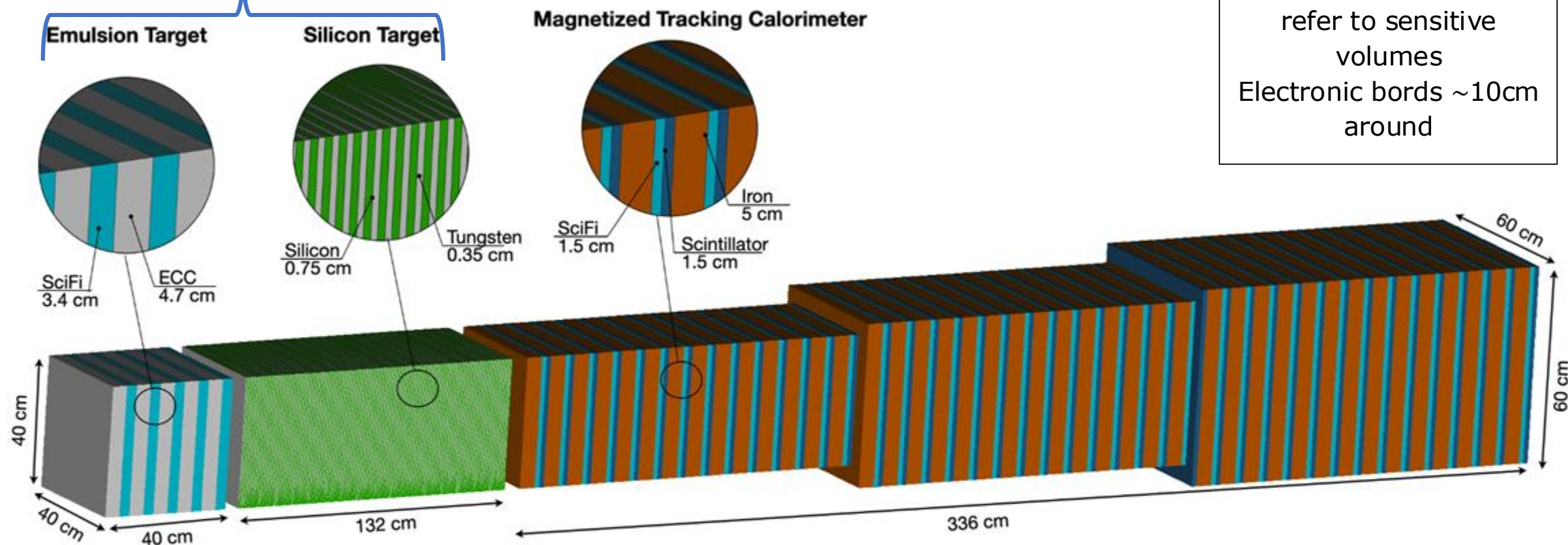
CCDIS Yields with same mass detector of different transverse size



SND@SHiP: neutrino detector concept a là SND@LHC

High-precision VTX detector
 ν_τ , charm and LDM

Magnetised tracking calorimeter (MTC)



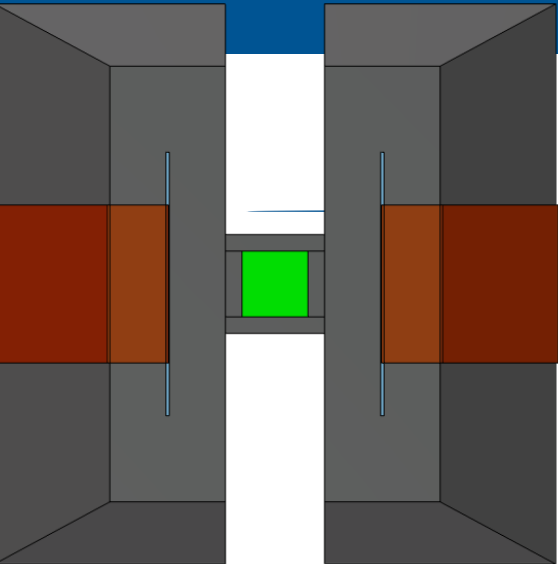
EMULSION TARGET			
ECC	5	Tungsten	180
		Emulsion	180
SciFi	5		
Weight 0.5 ton			

SILICON TARGET	
Tungsten	120
Silicon	120
Weight 1.2 ton	

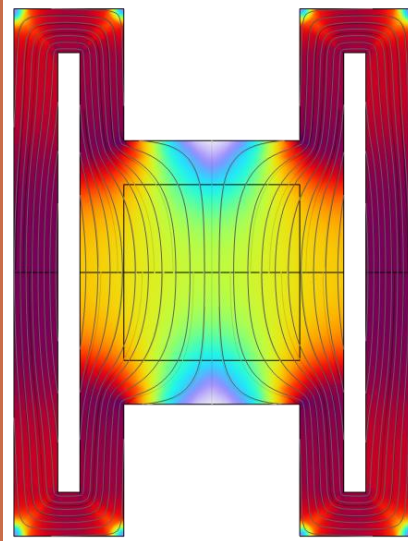
MAGNETIZED TRACKING CAL	
Iron	42
Scintillator	42
SciFi	42
Weight 2.5 ton	

42 slabs, 5 cm each
 $\sim 10 \lambda$

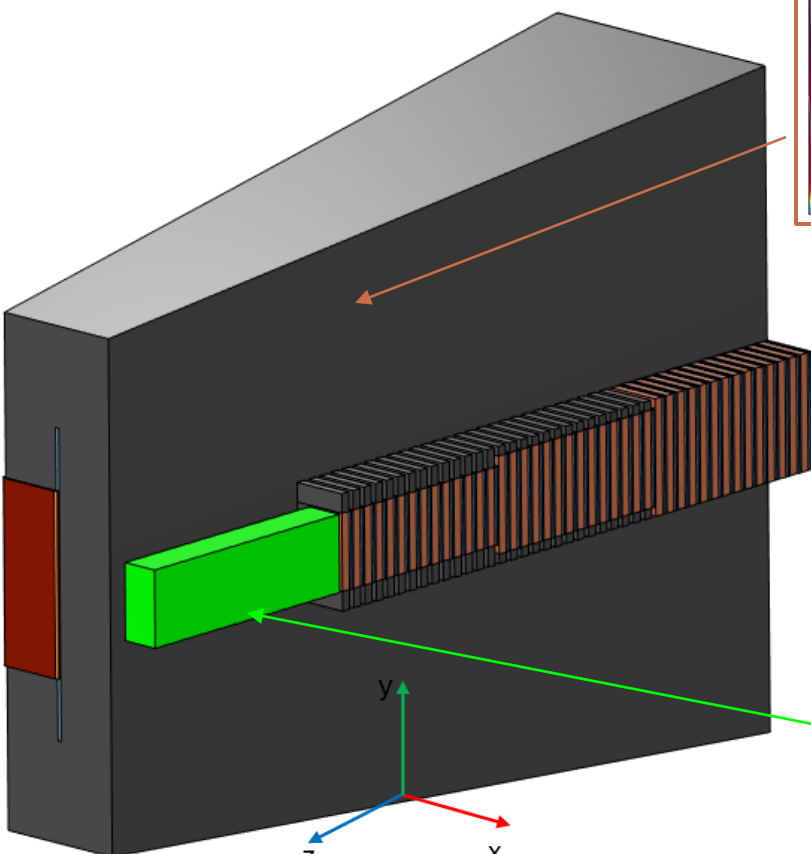
Two different options to embed the SND in the last magnet



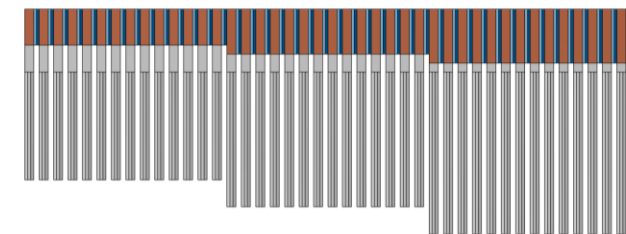
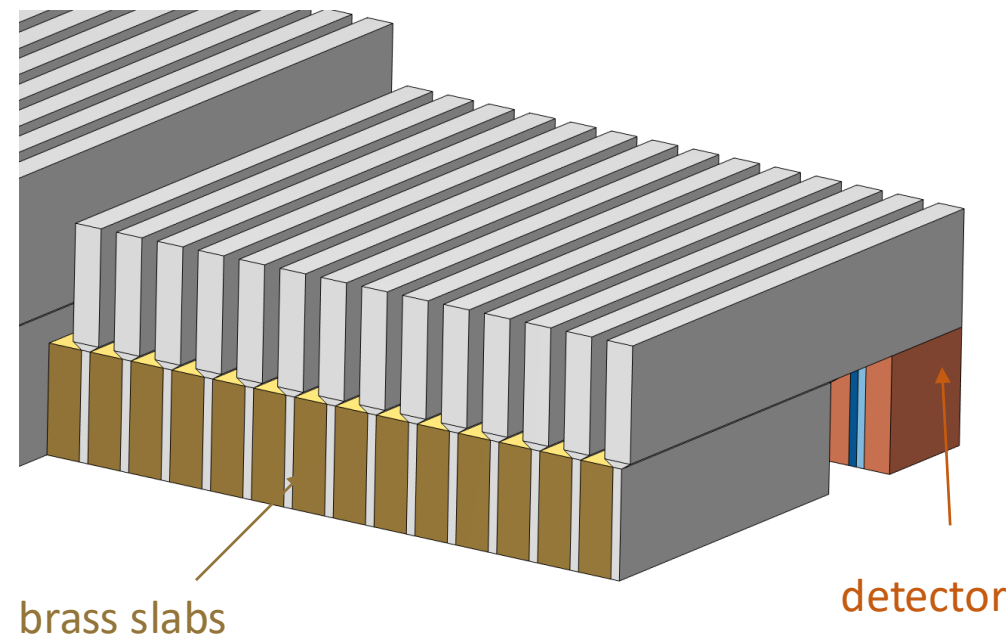
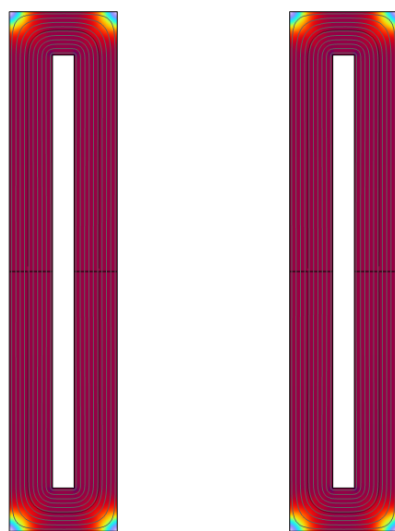
$|B|$ - Magnetic flux density, modulus [T]



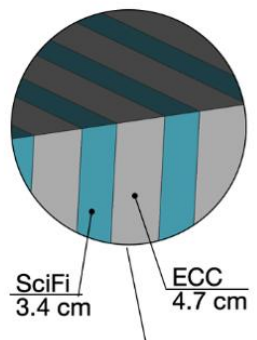
Field inside the HCAL region
(core AND wings)



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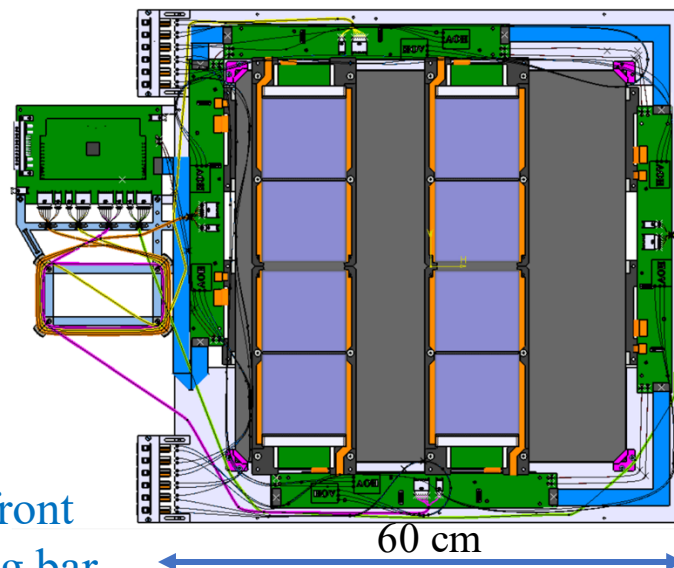


Emulsion Target



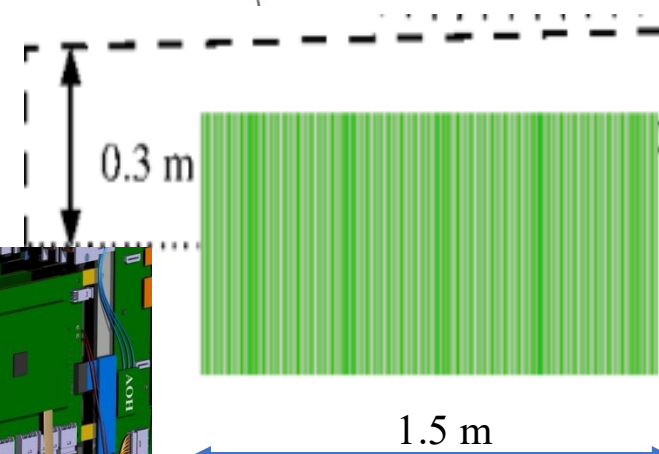
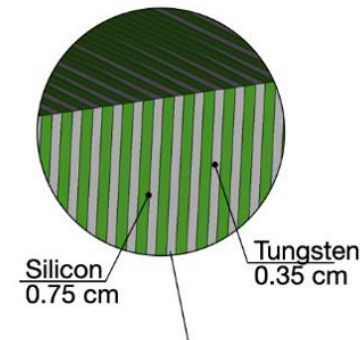
Detector components: high-precision vertex

Exact position will depend on the muon rate

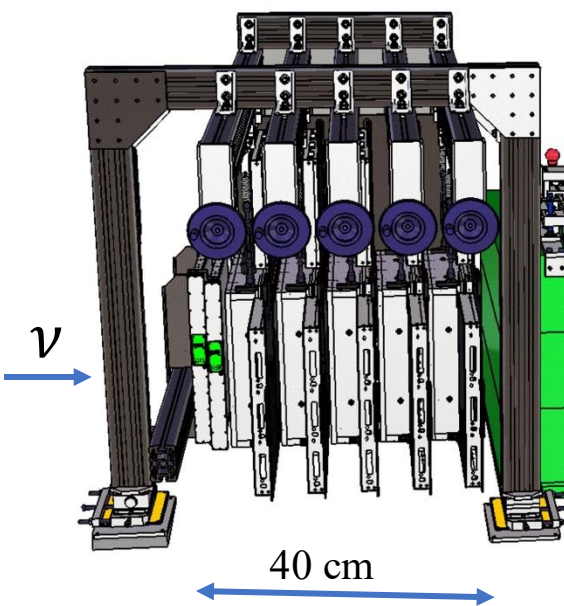


Veto station in front with 3 scintillating bar planes

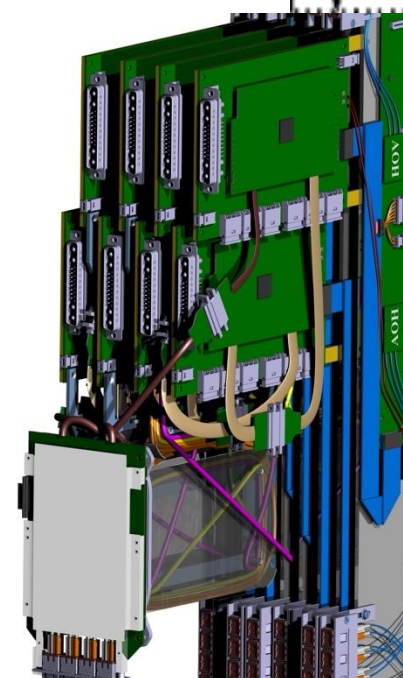
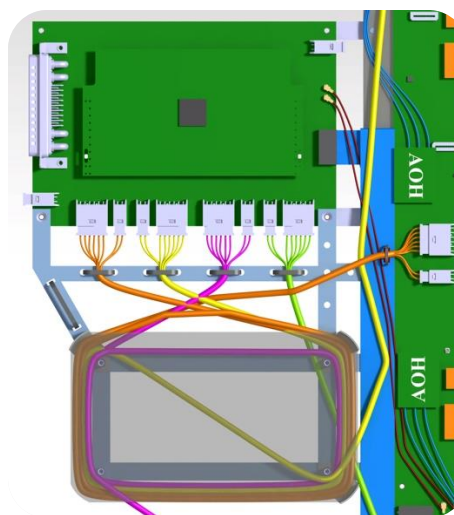
Silicon Target



Silicon/tungsten assembly as for SND@LHC (Run 4)
Sampling frequency being optimised



Similar implementation as in SND@LHC, ECC walls interleaved with SciFi stations

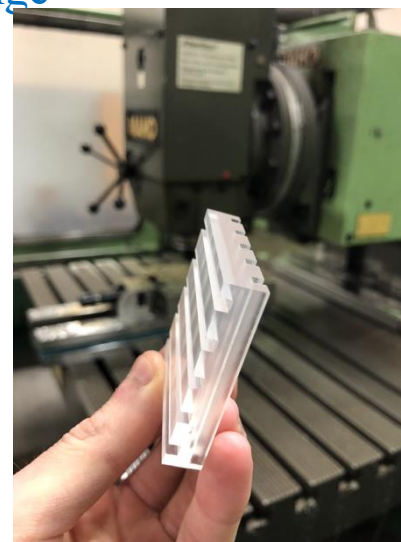
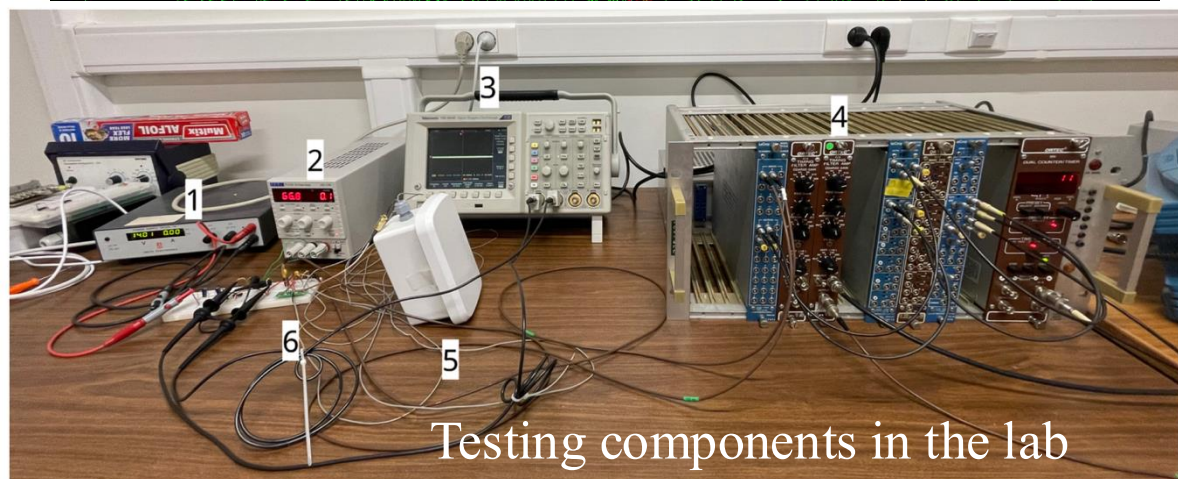
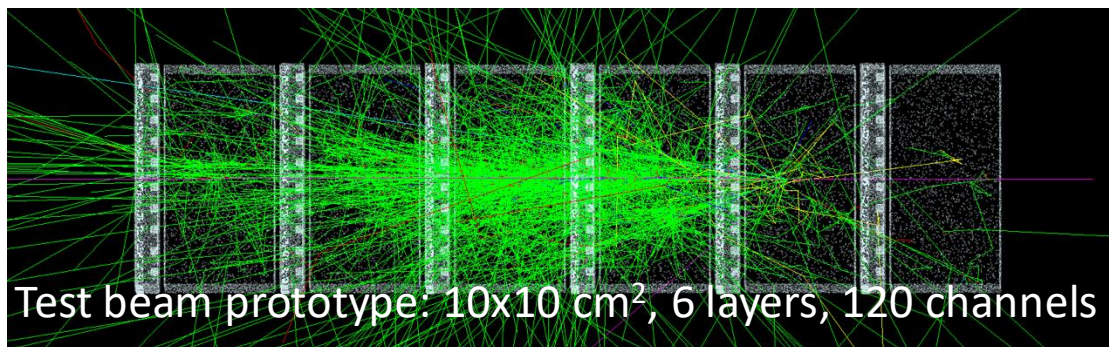


Scintillating pads: energy resolution and tests

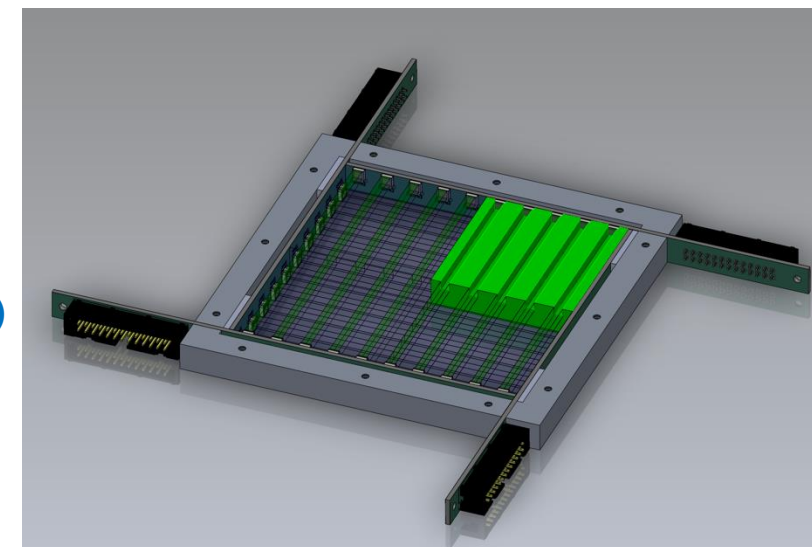
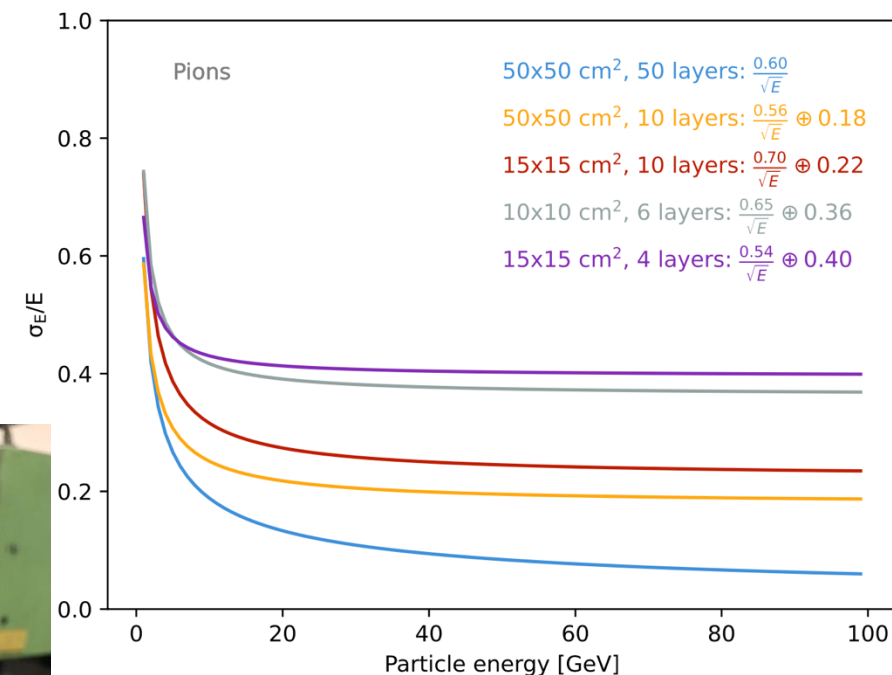
Full-sized detector: expect $0.6/\sqrt{E}$ for π and $0.31/\sqrt{E}$ for electrons, dominated by statistical fluctuations

- π resolution limited by the constant term due to significant shower leakage (lateral and longitudinal)
- sufficient containment of EM showers over the full energy range

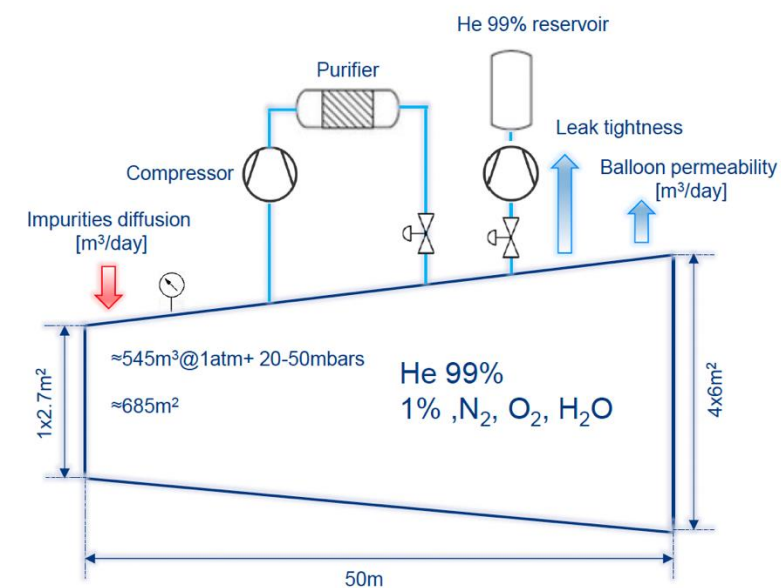
Test beam foreseen in Spring 2026 at PS and SPS



- Wrap the whole scintillator plane in reflective material (Mylar)
- Improve light transmission from one tile to another using optical grease (EJ-552)



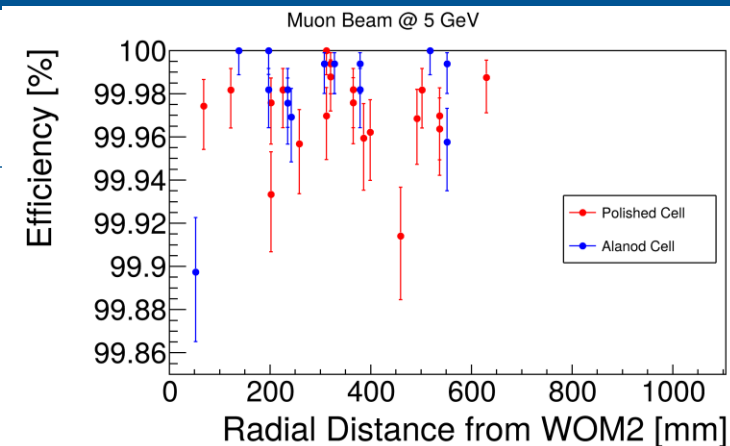
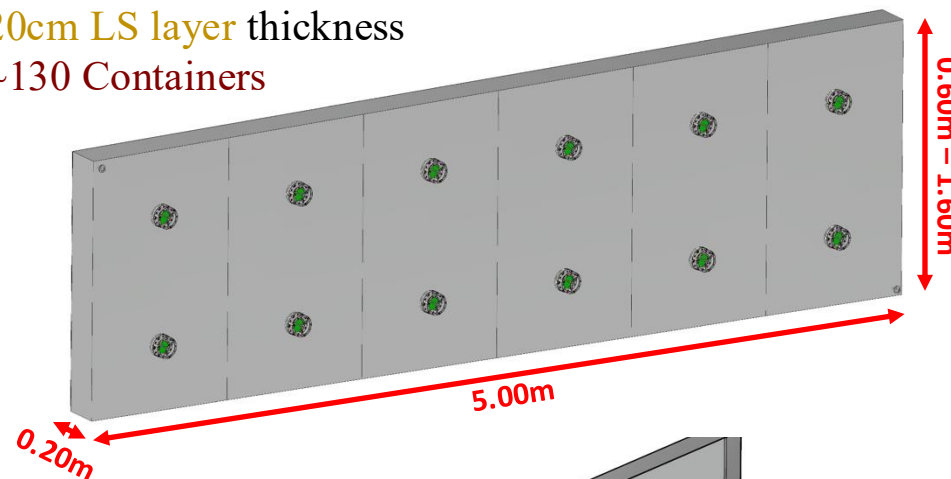
Decay vessel and the surrounding veto system



0.3-0.4 mm thick



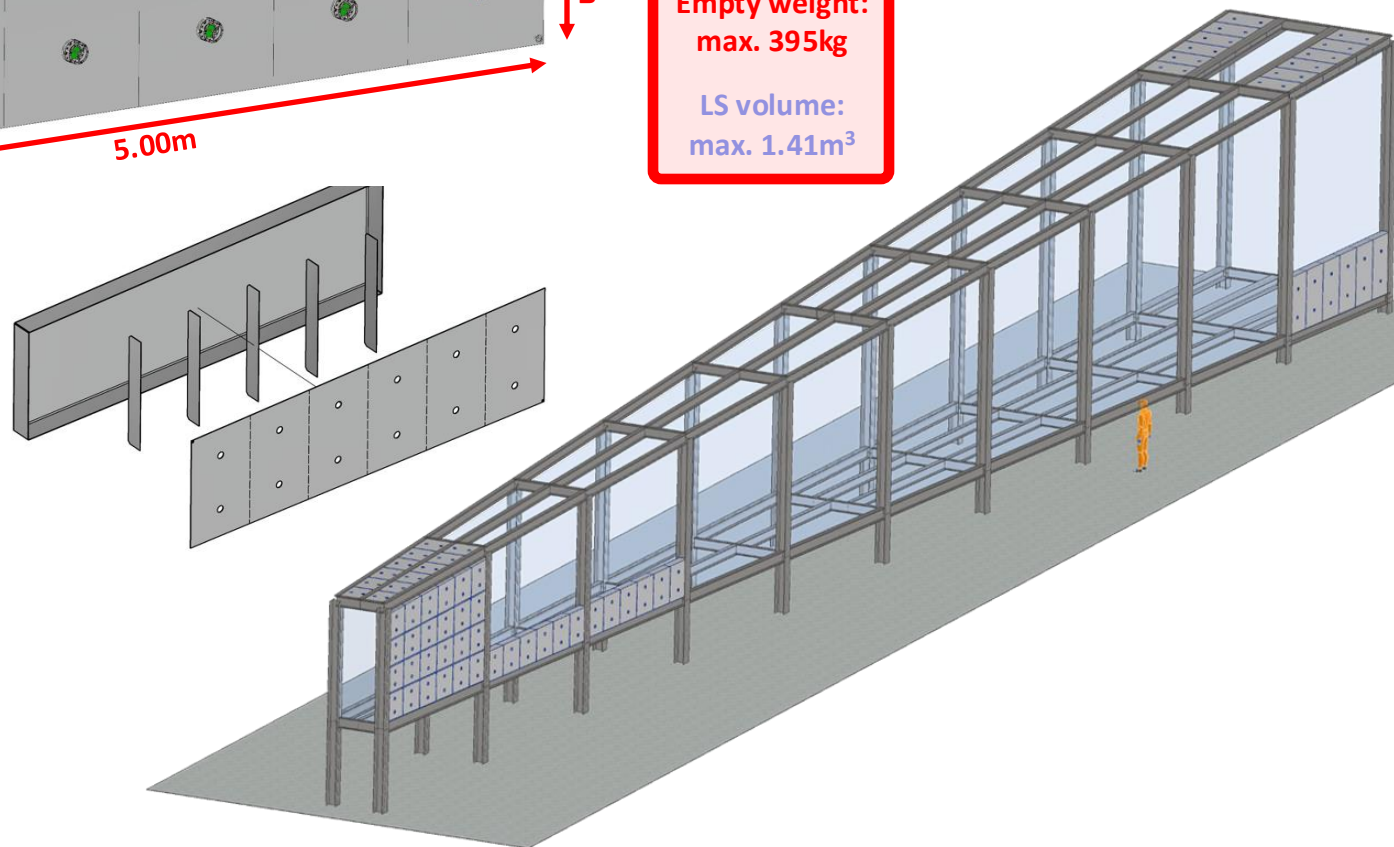
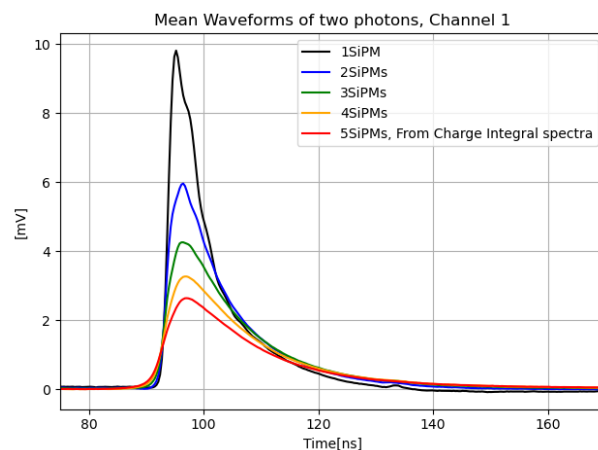
6 Interconnected liquid scintillator filled cells
Welded from large sheets of **polished AW 5083** (AlMg4.5)
20cm LS layer thickness
~130 Containers



Empty weight:
max. 395kg

LS volume:
max. 1.41m³

Waveforms by 2 photons, for one channel



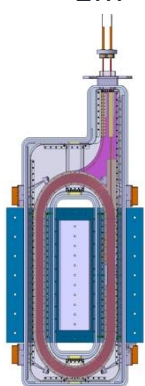
Spectrometer magnet with HTS technology

Proof-of-Principle

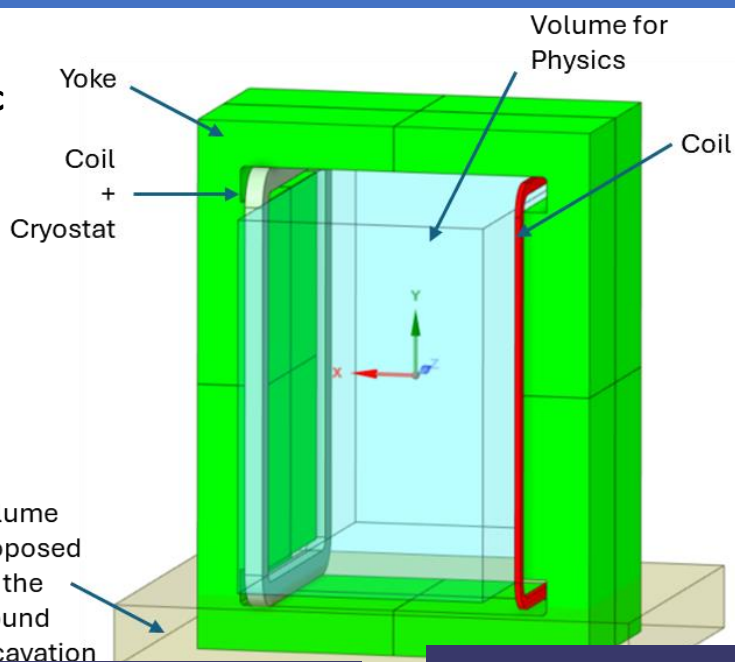
Magnet based on MgB_2 cable (wire same as HL-LHC SC Link)
Indirect cooling – Cryocooler+Cryofan – GHe $\sim 20\text{K}$

From Proof-of-Principle Energy-Efficient Superferric Dipole

$\sim 1\text{m}$



EESD2

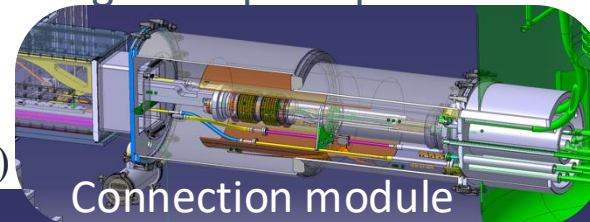


EESD1: coil pack concept validated

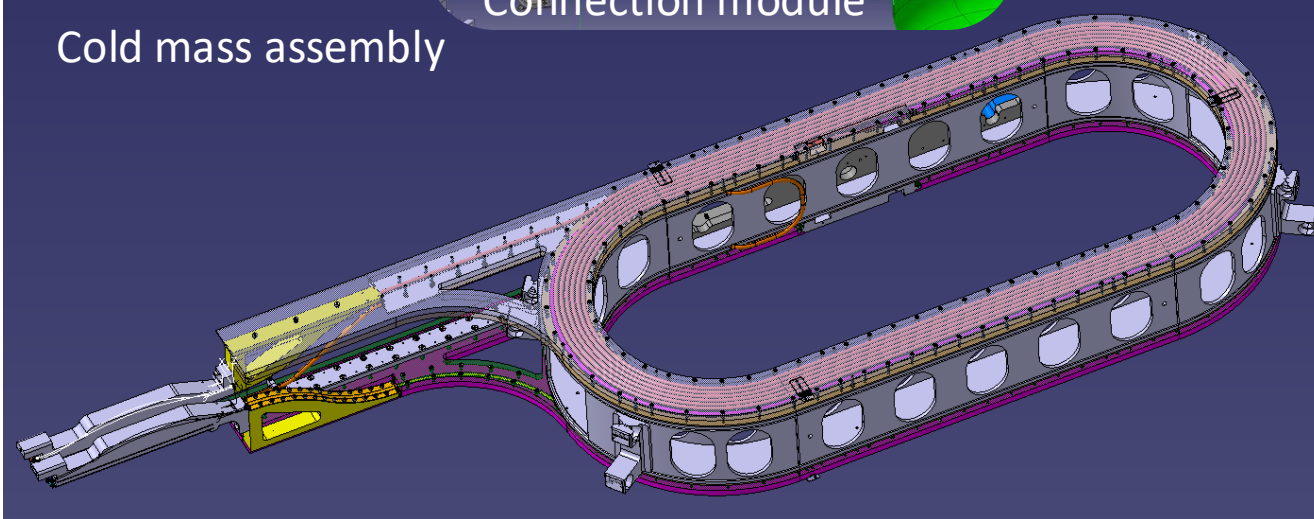
EESD2: Validate cooling concept + operation with current leads

To Full-Scale Magnet

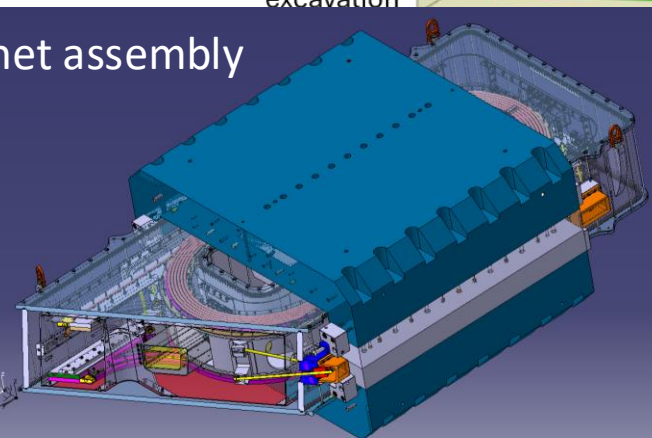
$\sim 5\text{m (Z)} \times \sim 7.5\text{m (Y)}$



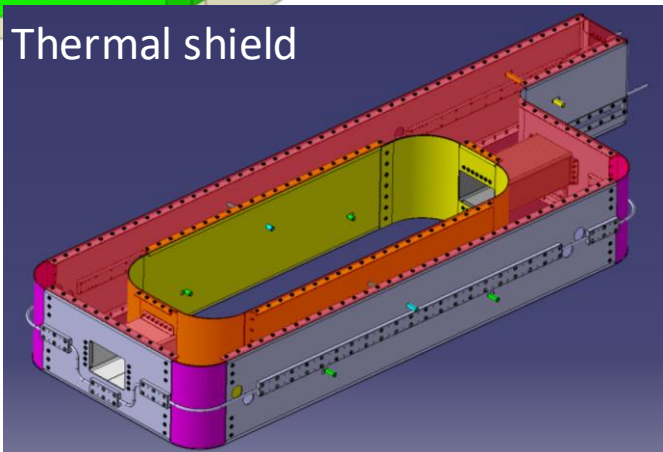
Cold mass assembly



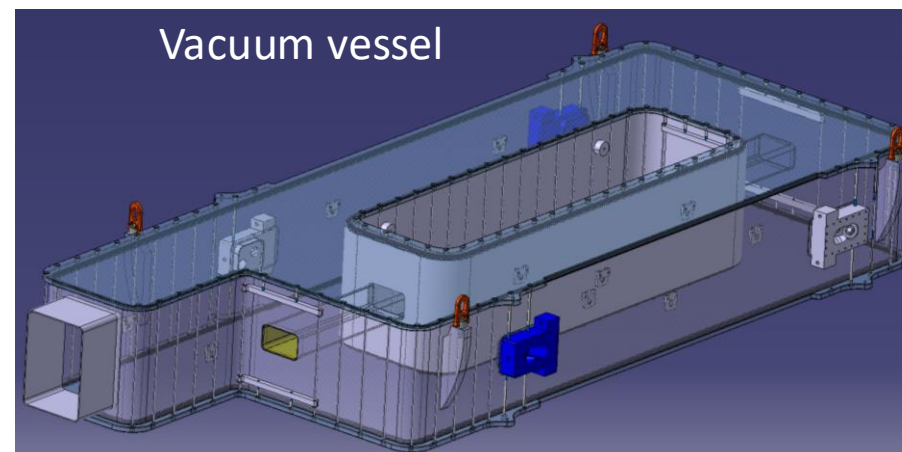
Magnet assembly



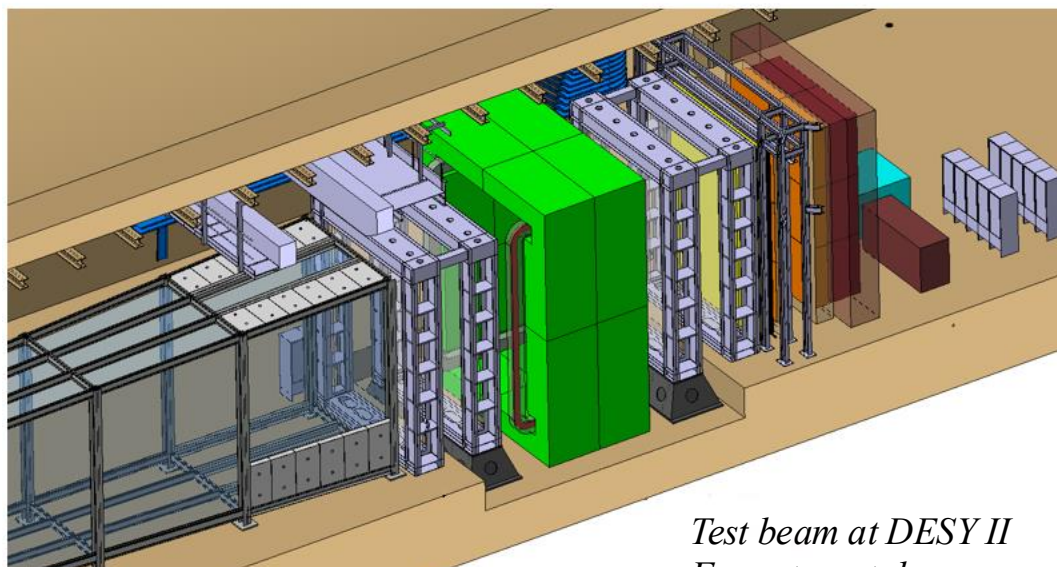
Thermal shield



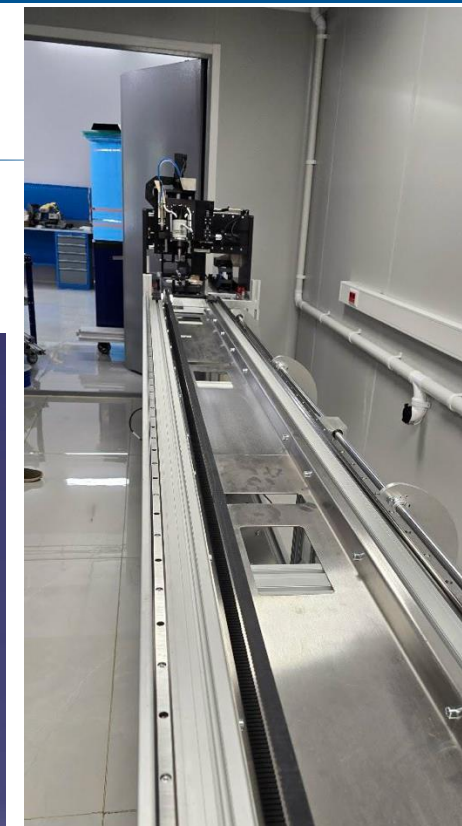
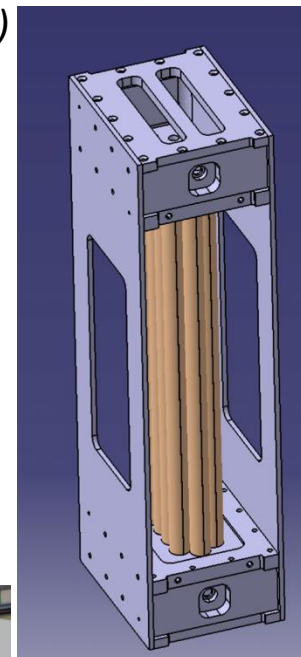
Vacuum vessel



Straw tracker developments for the spectrometer



Four identical stations, aperture of 4m x 6m
 300 tubes on top, 8 layers per station
 2400 straws per station → almost 10000 channels
 Modules of 2 x 16 straws (32 cm high)



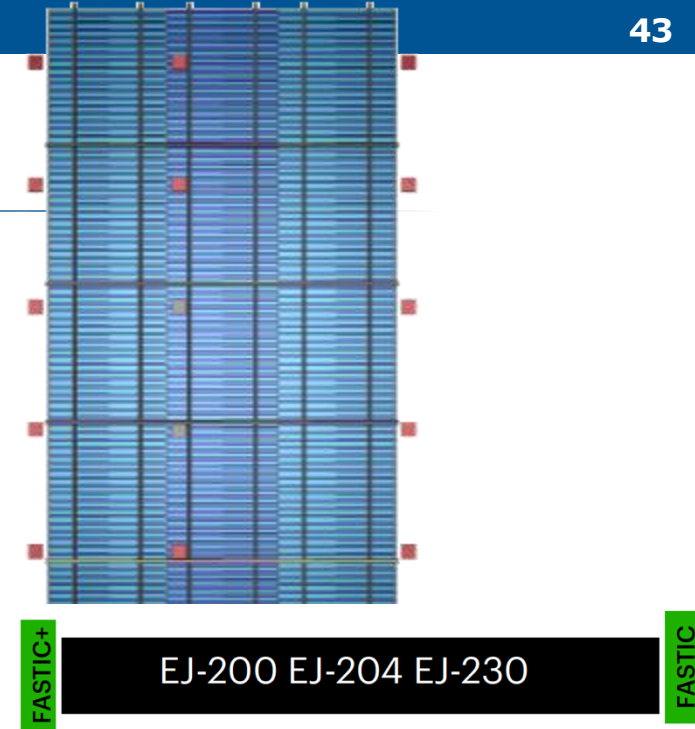
Test beam at DESY II
 Four straw tubes
 30 cm long, 2cm diameter
 30 μ m wire
 80/20 Ar/CO₂
 at ambient pressure
 Readout with SAMPIC



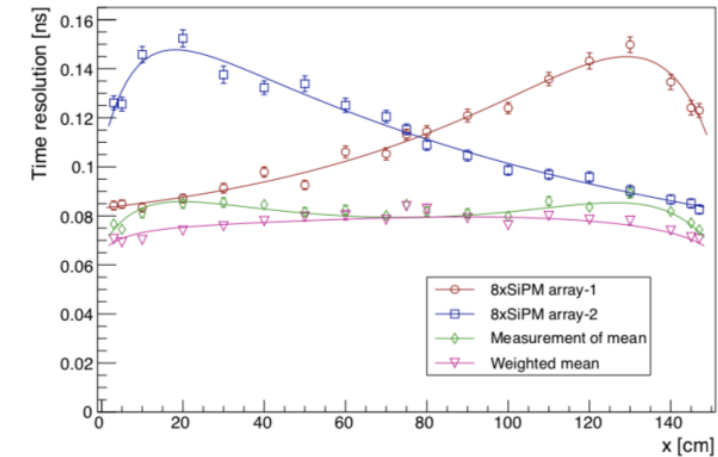
Timing detector

- Provide precise timing (<100 ps) of each track to reject combinatorial background
- Plastic scintillator characteristics
 - Three-column setup with EJ200 plastic bars of $140\text{cm} \times 6\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm}$, providing 0.5cm overlap
 - Readout on both ends by array of eight 6×6 mm² SiPMs, 8 signals are summed
 - 330 bars and 660 channels

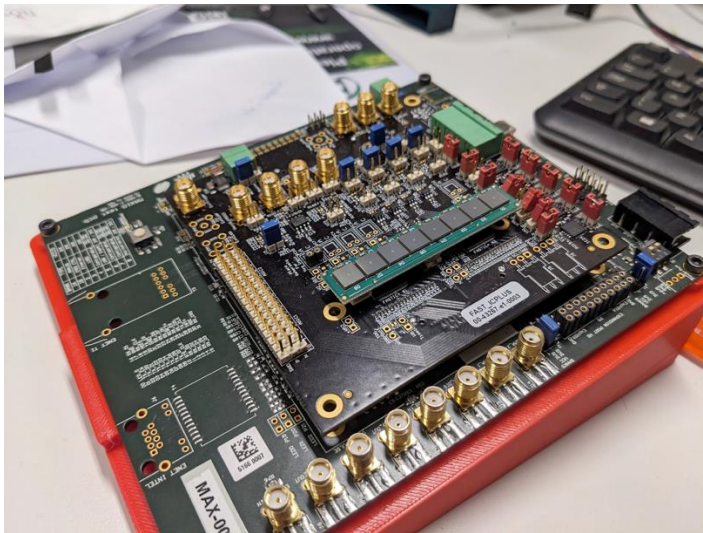
FASTIC with 25ps TDC embedded



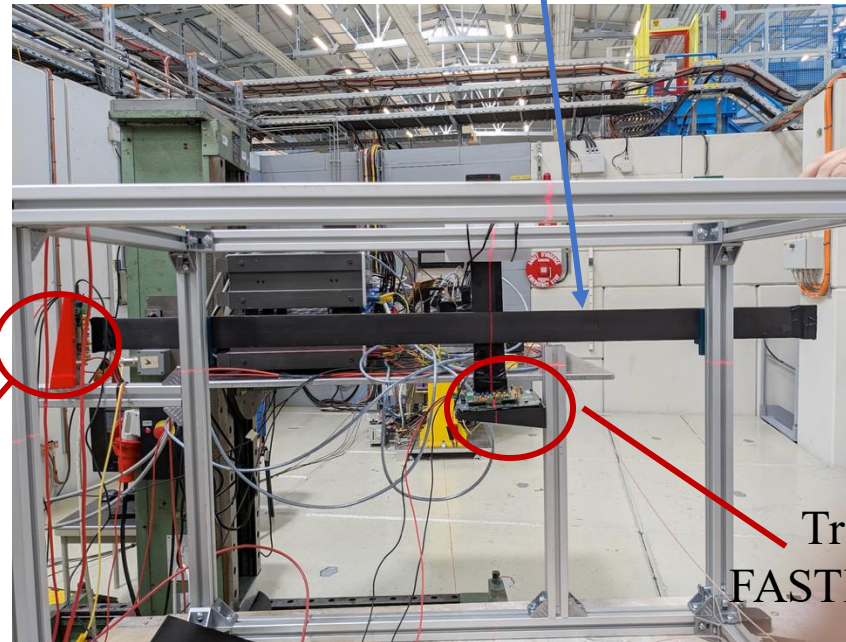
Test beam in Sep 2025 at CERN T10



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Trigger IN
Beam Counter



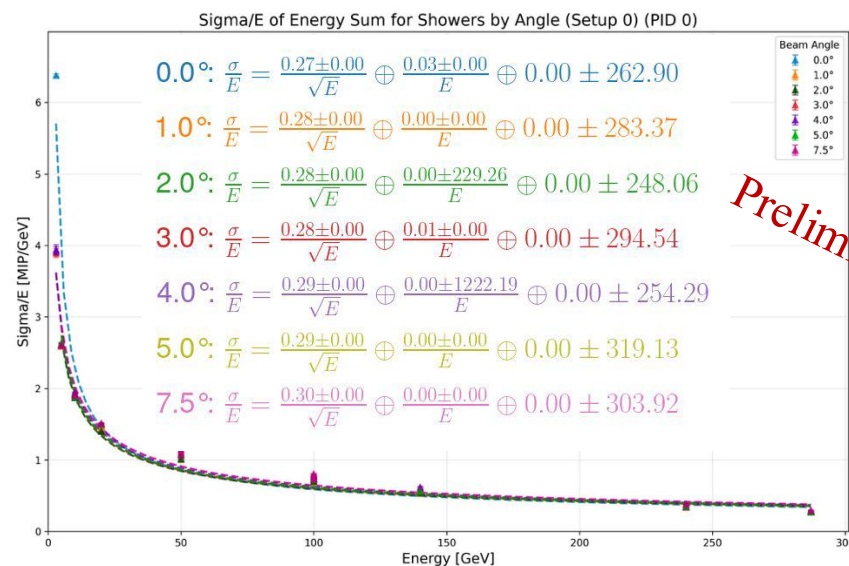
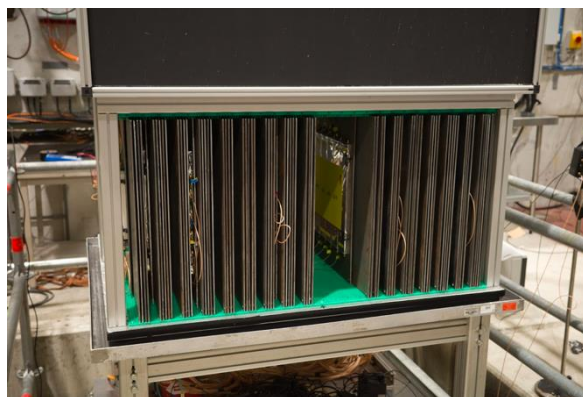
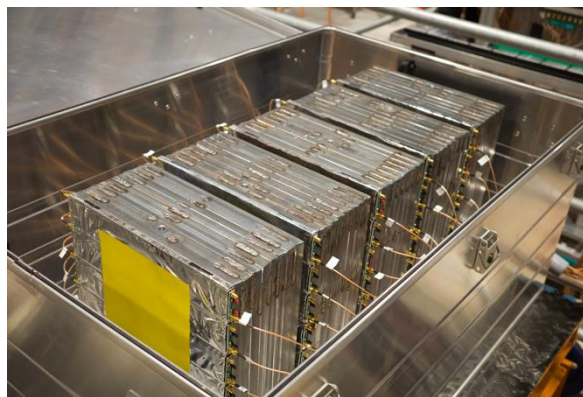
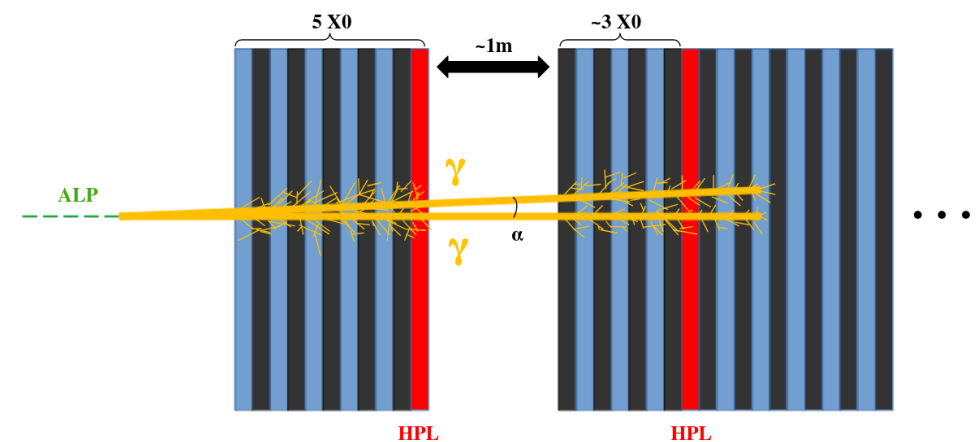
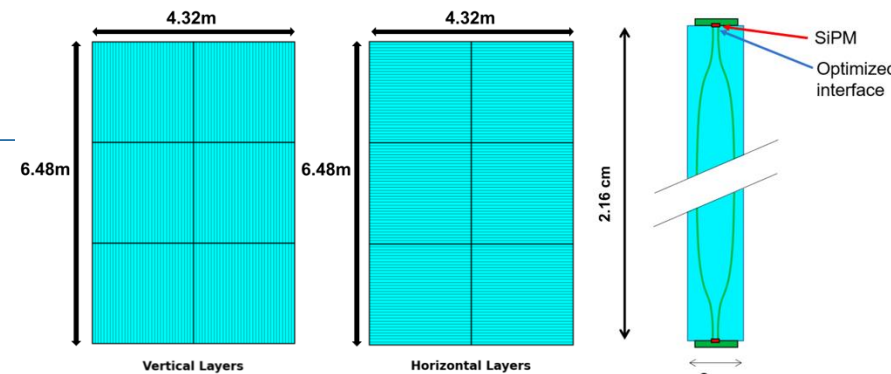
Trigger IN
FASTIC- Fast OR

Calorimeter and Particle ID system

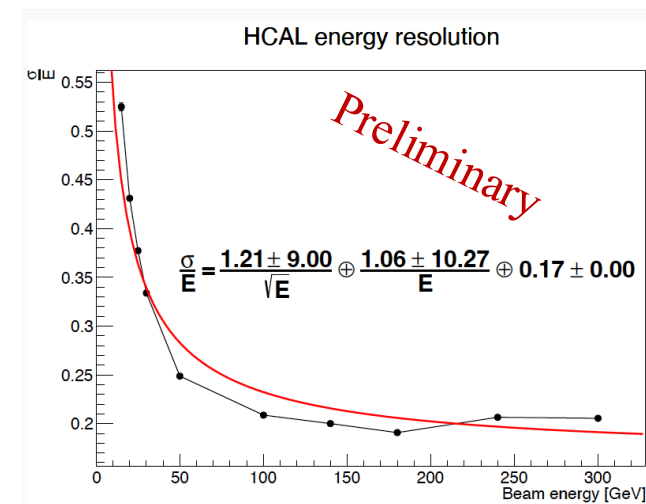
- PID composed of sampling ECAL and HCAL based on scintillators readout by SiPMs*
- ECAL based on the SplitCal concept to reconstruct neutral ($\gamma\gamma$) final states*
- Thin scintillator bars*
- GEMs (High Precision Layers)*
- Detector built in 6 hexants for modularity*
- Needs to reconstruct MIPs and large showers*

Test beam in May 2025 at SPS

- ECAL prototype: 17 active layers, 20 X0, 112 cm total depth with central 20 cm split*
- Prototype included thin and wide scintillator bars*

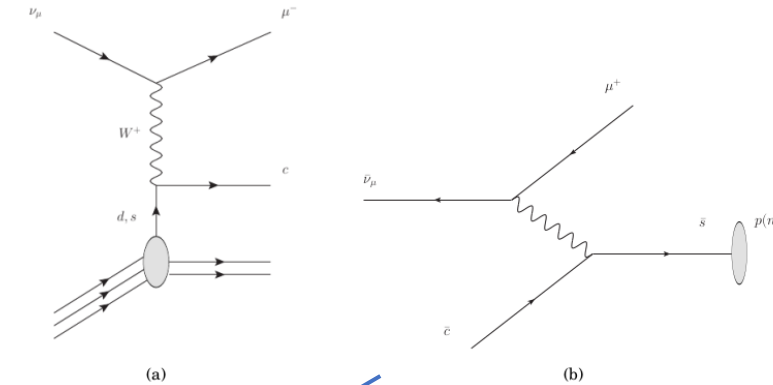


Preliminary



The ν origin in the (Mo/W) target and neutrino samples

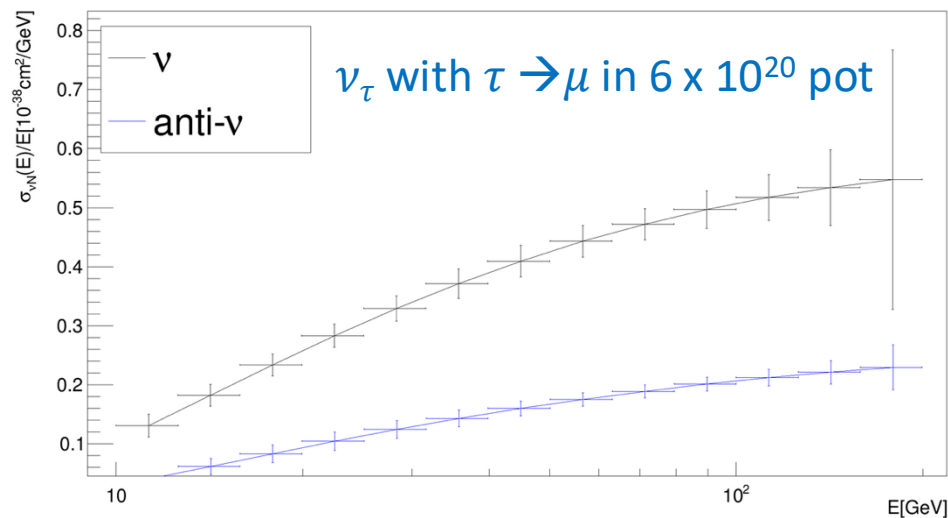
	Charmed hadron decay [%]	Pion/kaon/other decay [%]
$N_{\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e}$		
Produced at SHiP target	47.3%	52.7%
In acceptance at SND position	71.5%	28.5
Interacting (CCDIS)	92.4%	7.6%
$N_{\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu}$		
Produced at SHiP target	4.1%	95.9%
In acceptance at SND position	8.0%	92.0%
Interacting (CCDIS)	31.7%	68.3%



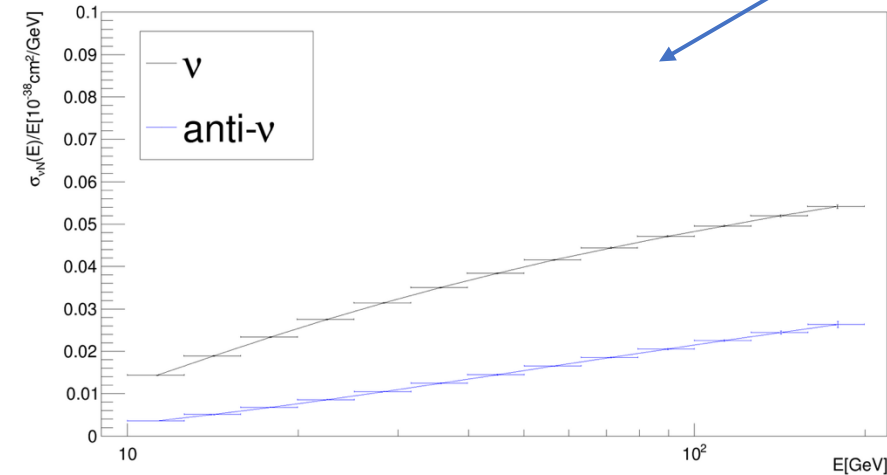
This is relevant for lepton flavour conservation studies with neutrino interactions!

It will further improve with the new concept of full W target

ν_τ CCDIS



ν_μ CharmCCDIS





ν_τ cross-section, ν -induced charm, structure functions, ...

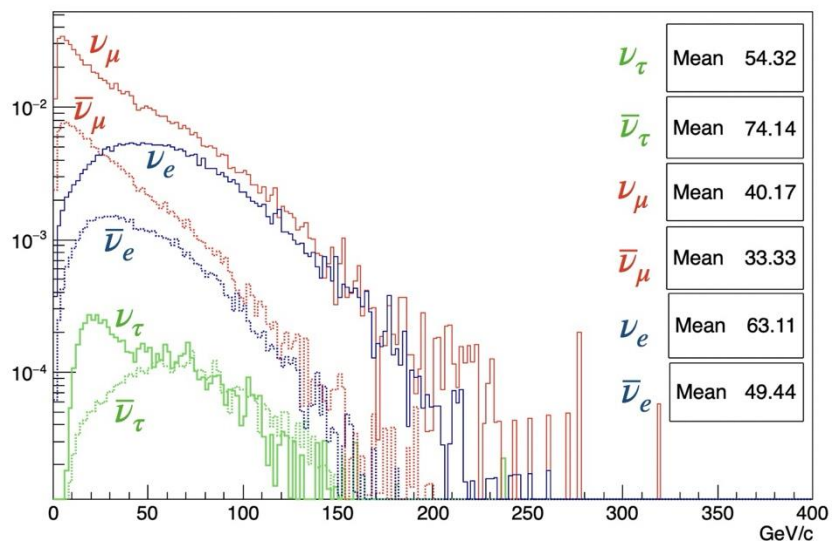
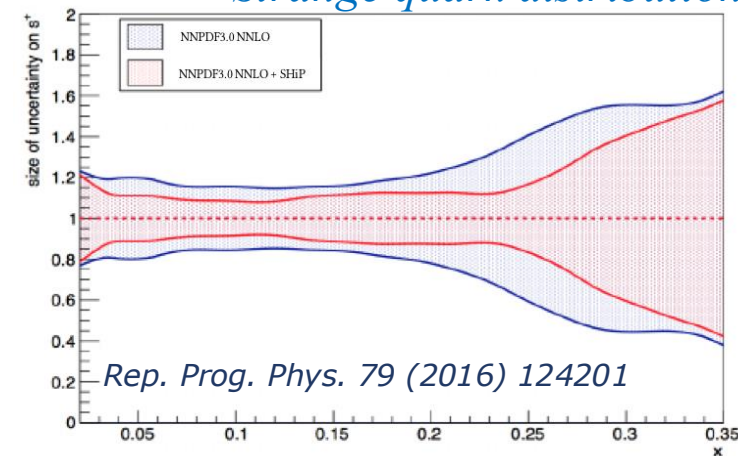


Decay channel	ν_τ	$\bar{\nu}_\tau$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu$	4×10^3	3×10^3
$\tau \rightarrow h$	27×10^3	
$\tau \rightarrow 3h$	11×10^3	
$\tau \rightarrow e$	8×10^3	
total	53×10^3	

Complementary energy
region to the LHC
measurements

	$\langle E \rangle$ [GeV]	CC DIS interactions
N_{ν_e}	63	2.8×10^6
N_{ν_μ}	40	8.0×10^6
N_{ν_τ}	54	8.8×10^4
$N_{\bar{\nu}_e}$	49	5.9×10^5
$N_{\bar{\nu}_\mu}$	33	1.8×10^6
$N_{\bar{\nu}_\tau}$	74	6.1×10^4

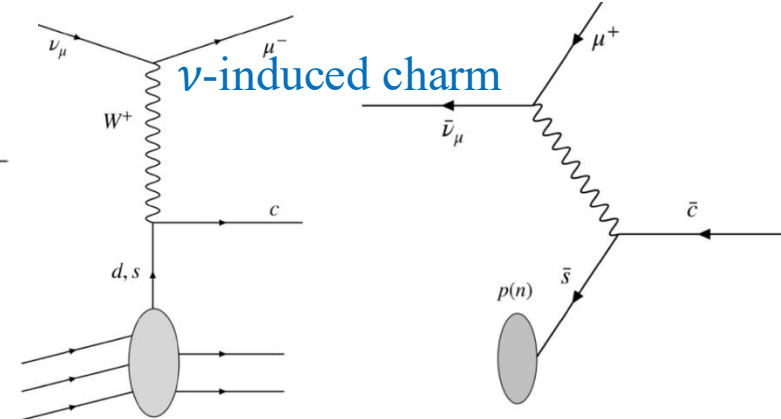
Strange quark distribution



F4, F5 structure functions

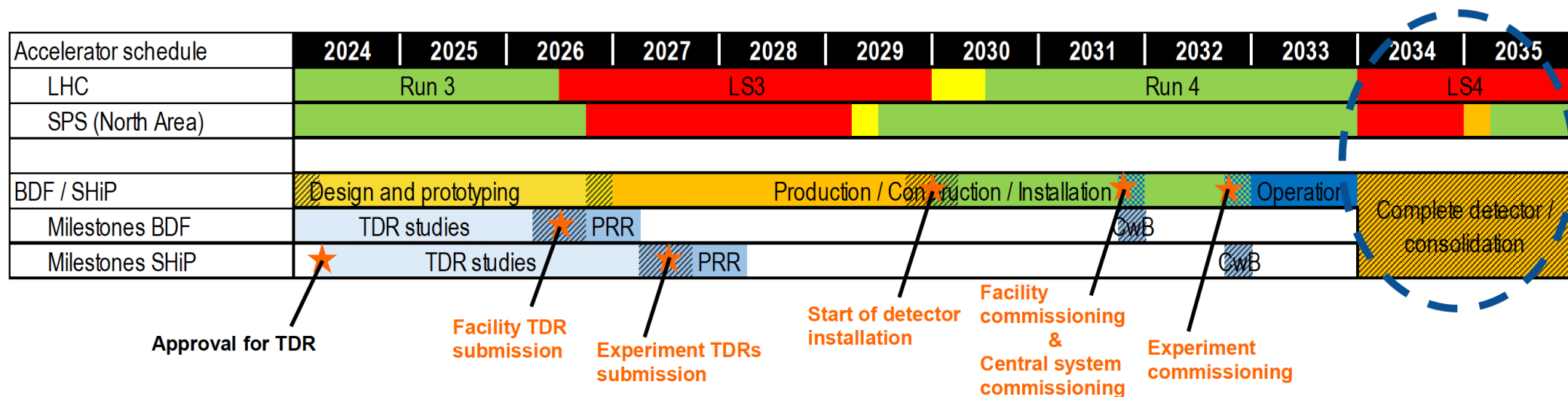
$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{\nu(\bar{\nu})}}{dxdy} = \frac{G_F^2 M E_\nu}{\pi(1 + Q^2/M_W^2)^2} \left((y^2 x + \frac{m_\tau^2 y}{2E_\nu M}) F_1 + \left[(1 - \frac{m_\tau^2}{4E_\nu^2}) - (1 + \frac{Mx}{2E_\nu}) \right] F_2 \right. \\ \left. \pm \left[xy(1 - \frac{y}{2}) - \frac{m_\tau^2 y}{4E_\nu M} \right] F_3 + \frac{m_\tau^2(m_\tau^2 + Q^2)}{4E_\nu^2 M^2 x} F_4 - \frac{m_\tau^2}{E_\nu M} F_5 \right),$$

At LO $F_4 = 0$, $2xF_5 = F_2$
At NLO $F_4 \sim 1\%$ at 10 GeV



	(GeV)	with charm prod
N_{ν_μ}	57	3.5×10^5
N_{ν_e}	71	1.7×10^5
$N_{\bar{\nu}_\mu}$	50	0.7×10^5
$N_{\bar{\nu}_e}$	60	0.3×10^5
total		6.2×10^5

BDF/SHiP schedule: 15 years of data taking



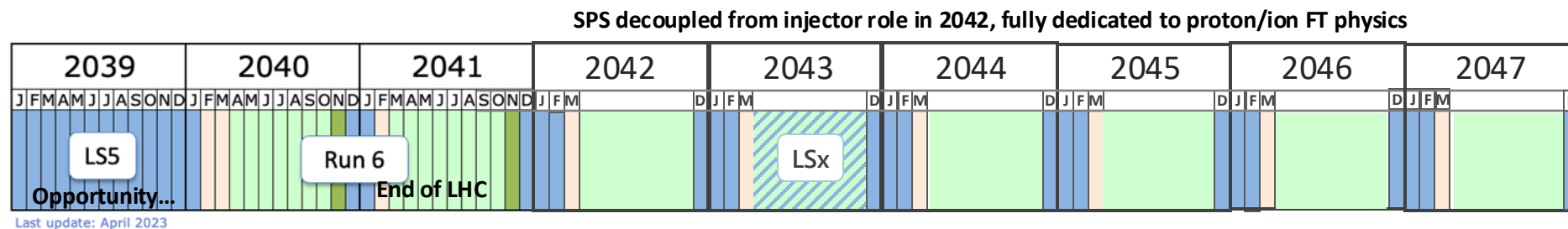
Construction / installation of facility and detector is decoupled from NA operation

Important to start data taking >1 year before LS4

Several upgrades/extensions of the BDF/SHiP in consideration over the operational life

SPS decoupled from injector role in 2042, fully dedicated to proton/ion FT physics

Operation till 2047



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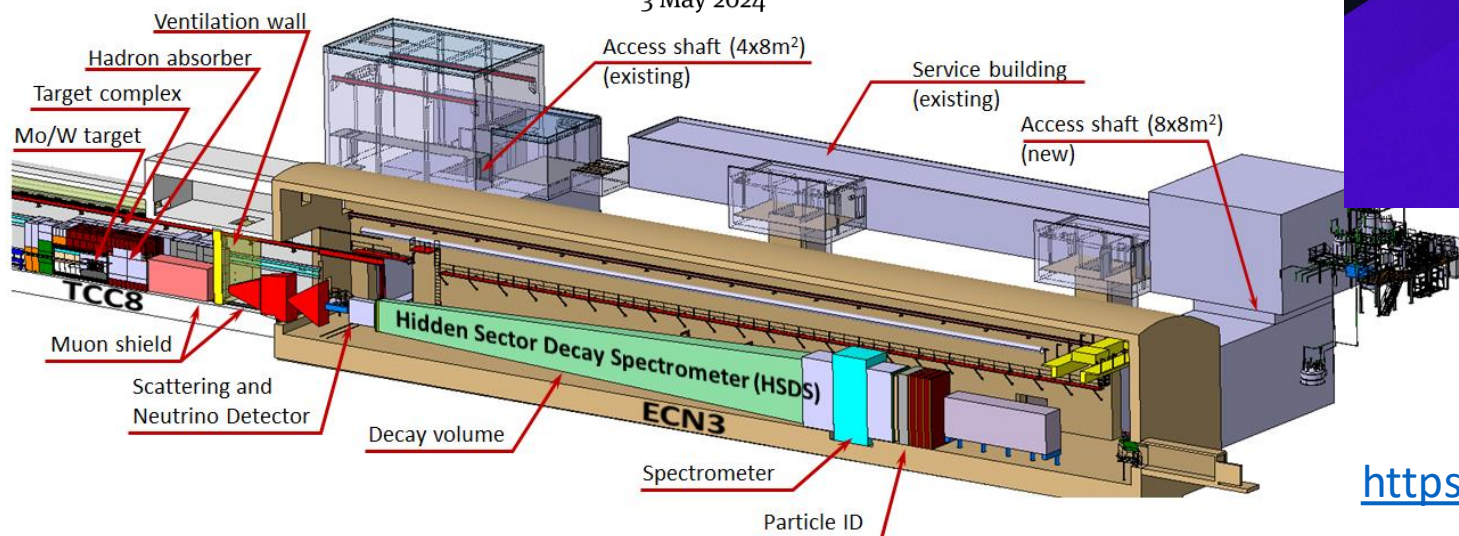
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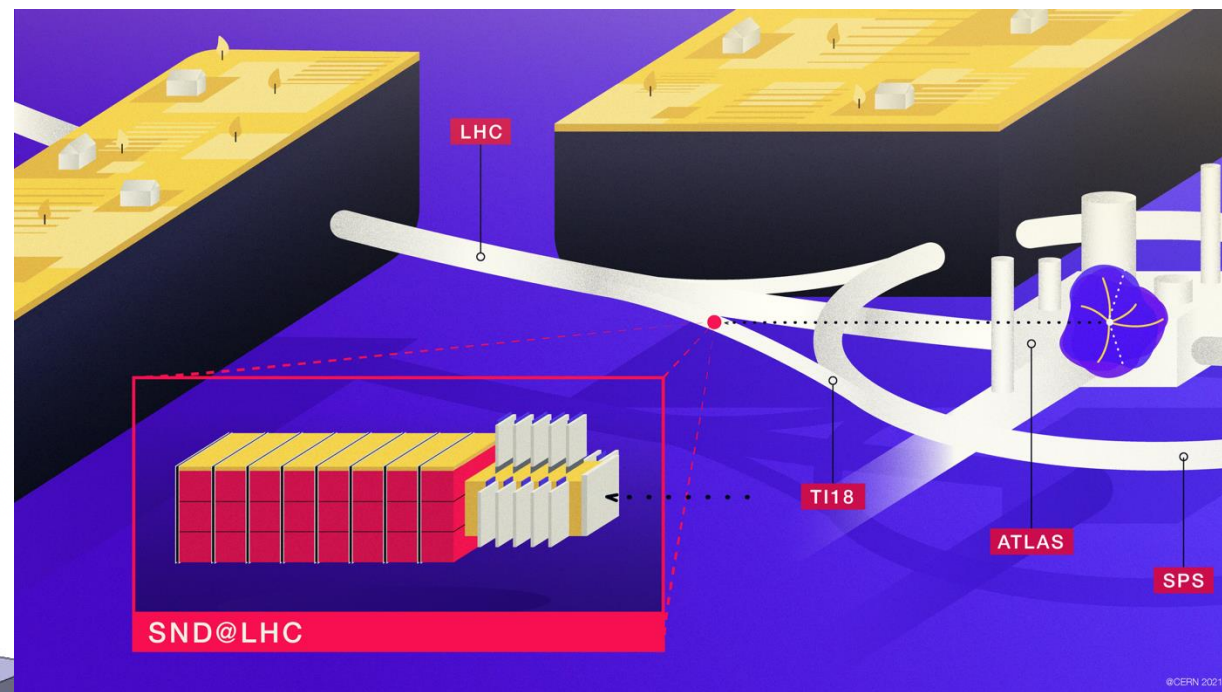
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