

ND280 Upgrade Status

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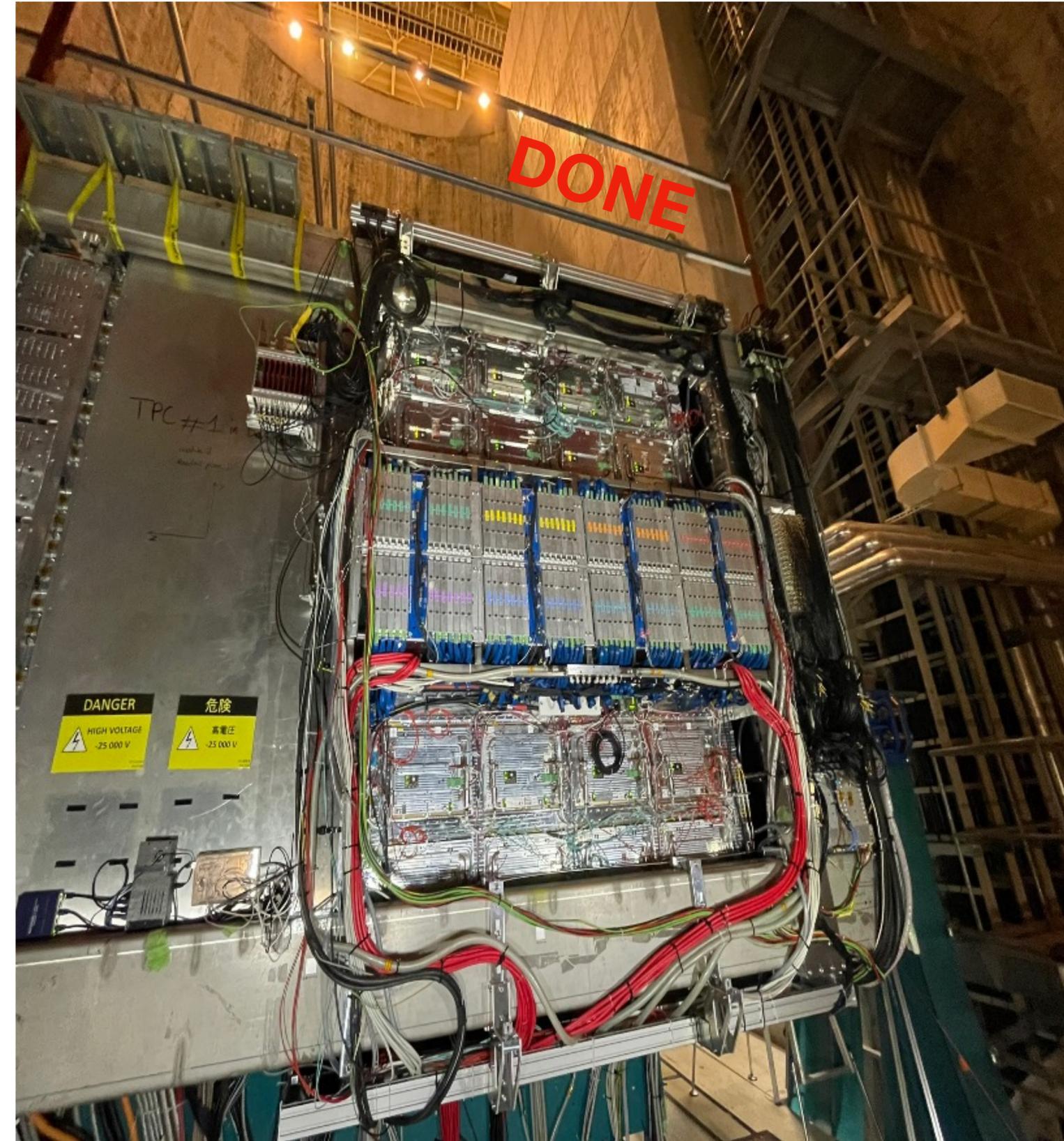


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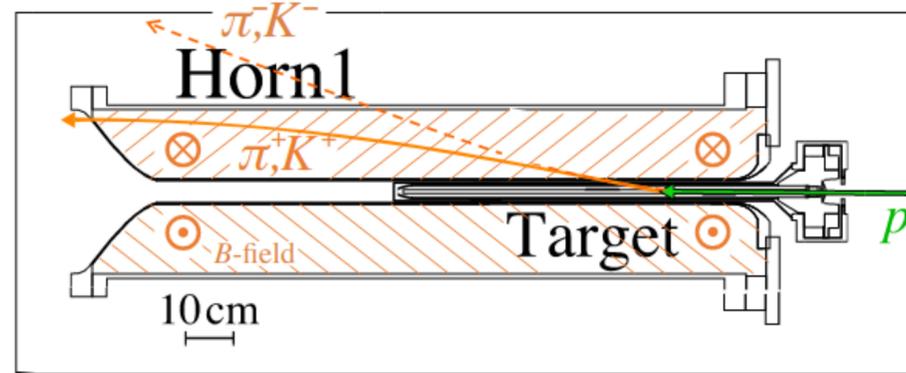
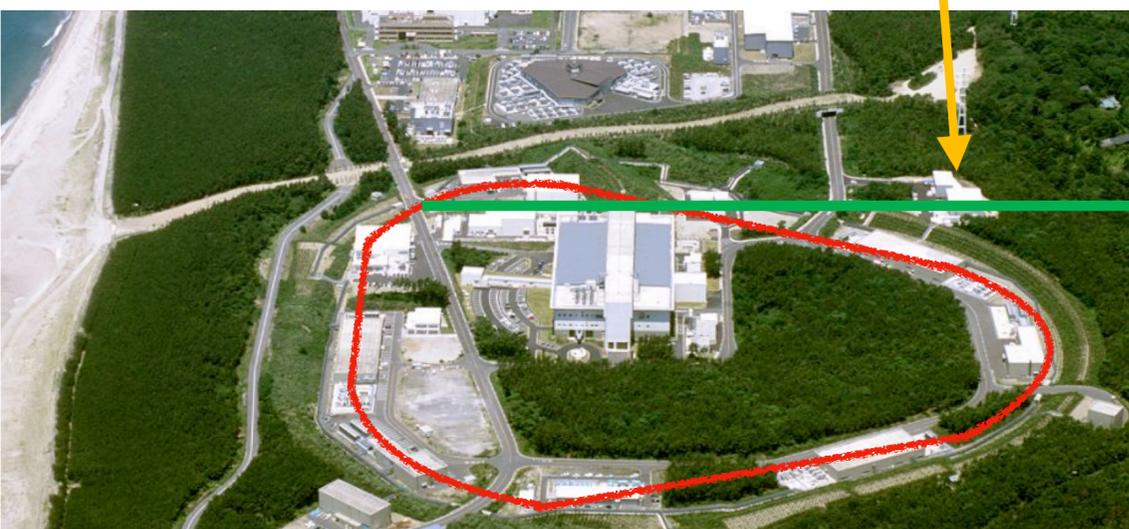
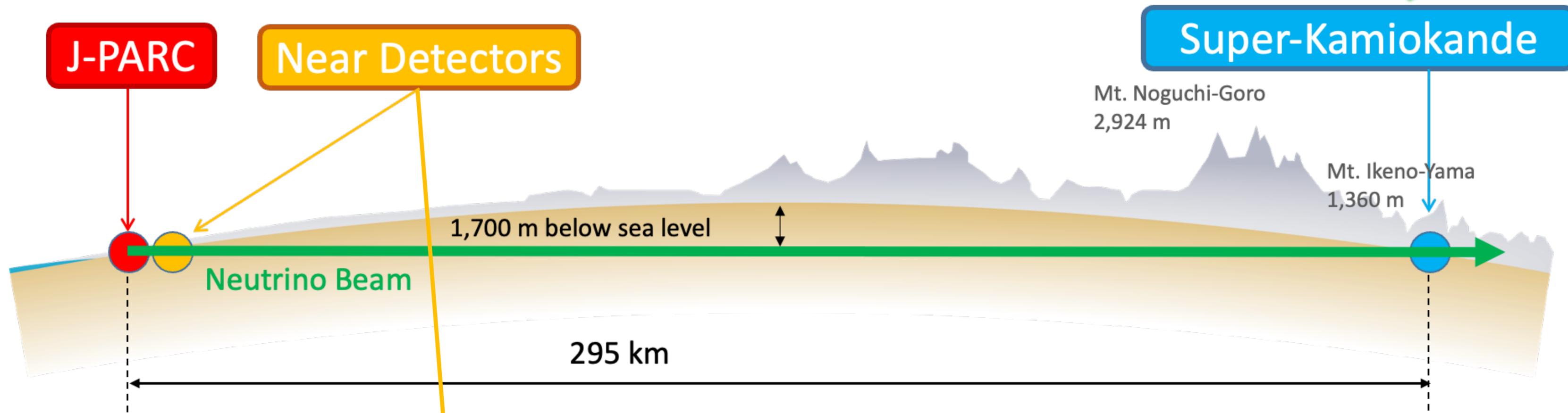
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| | WP2 - introduction | Claudio Giganti | 🔗 |
| | IFAE | 17:10 - 17:25 | |
| | ND280 upgrade performances and plans | David Henaff et al. | 🔗 |
| | IFAE | 17:25 - 17:50 | |
| 18:00 | Status of T2K OA and plans for integration of ND280 upgrade | Andrea Longhin | 🔗 |
| | IFAE | 17:50 - 18:15 | |
| 11:00 | Introduction | Emilio Radicioni | |
| | 131, INFN and University of Pisa | 11:00 - 11:10 | |
| | HA-TPC and sFGD construction and commissioning | David Henaff | |
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| | T2K Analysis | Andrea Longhin | |
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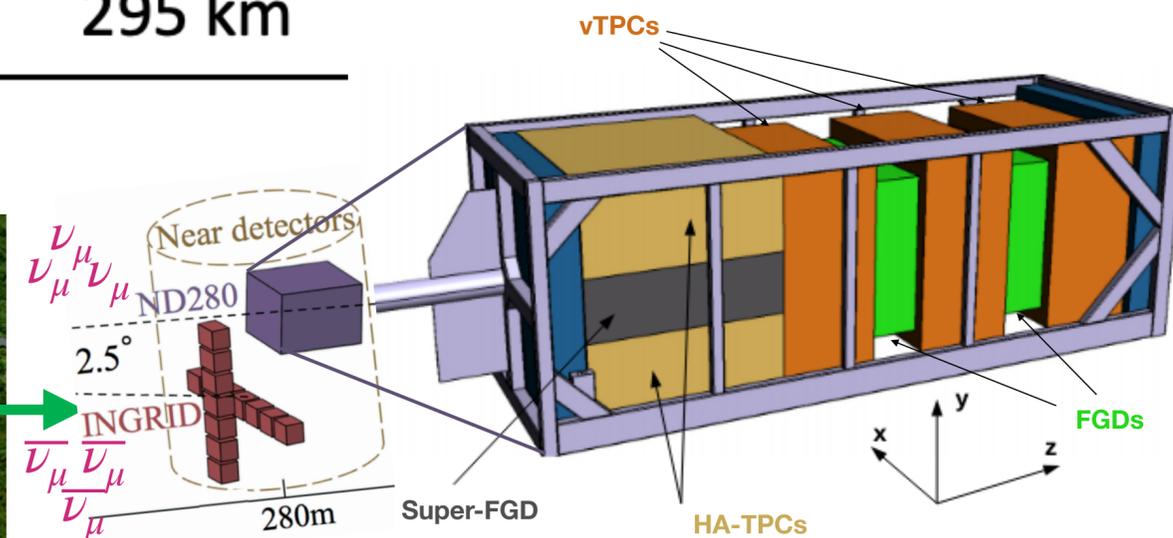
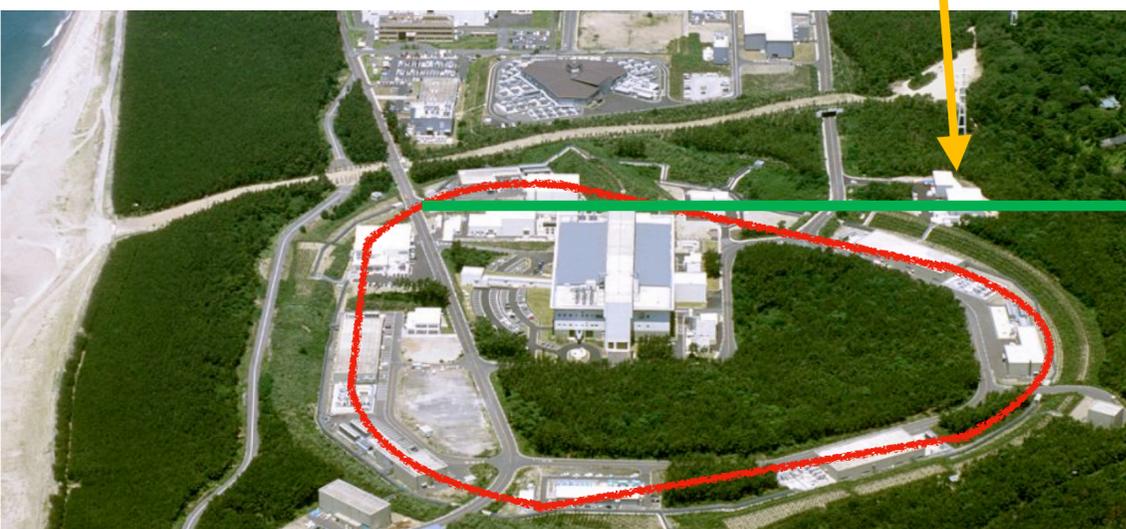
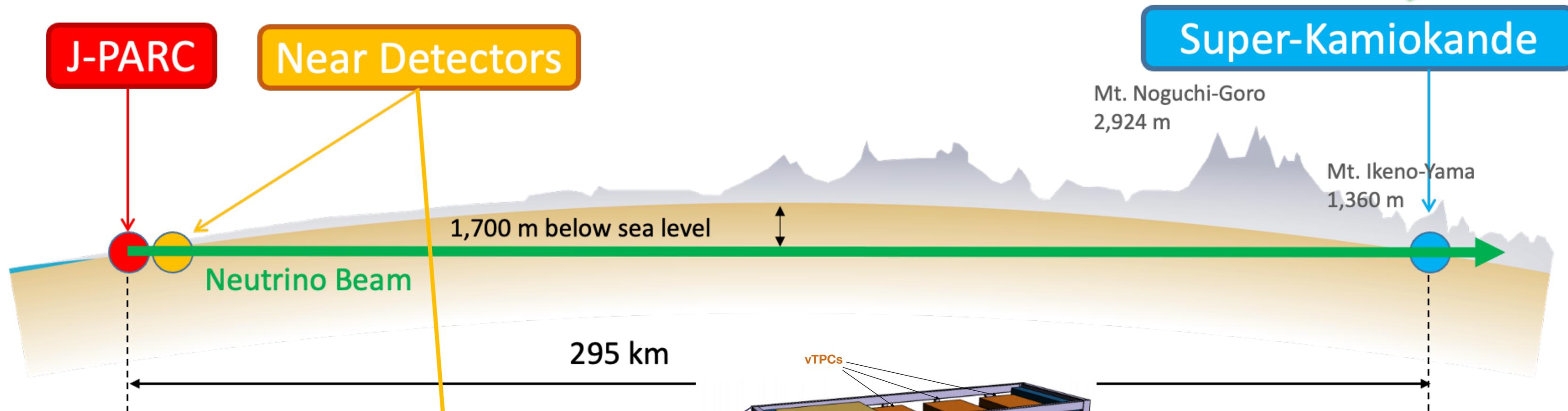


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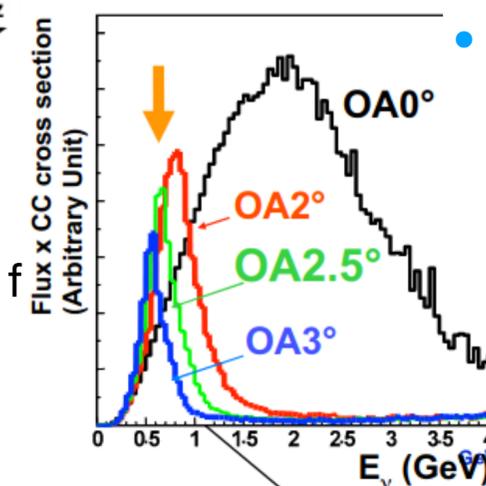
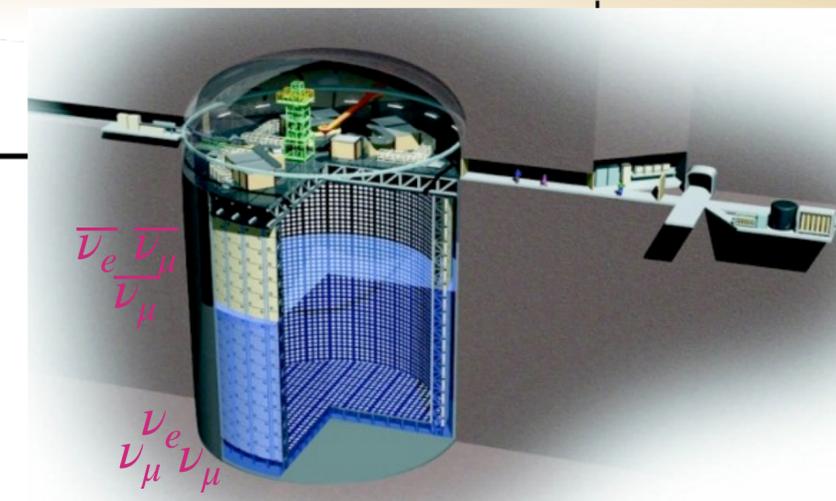
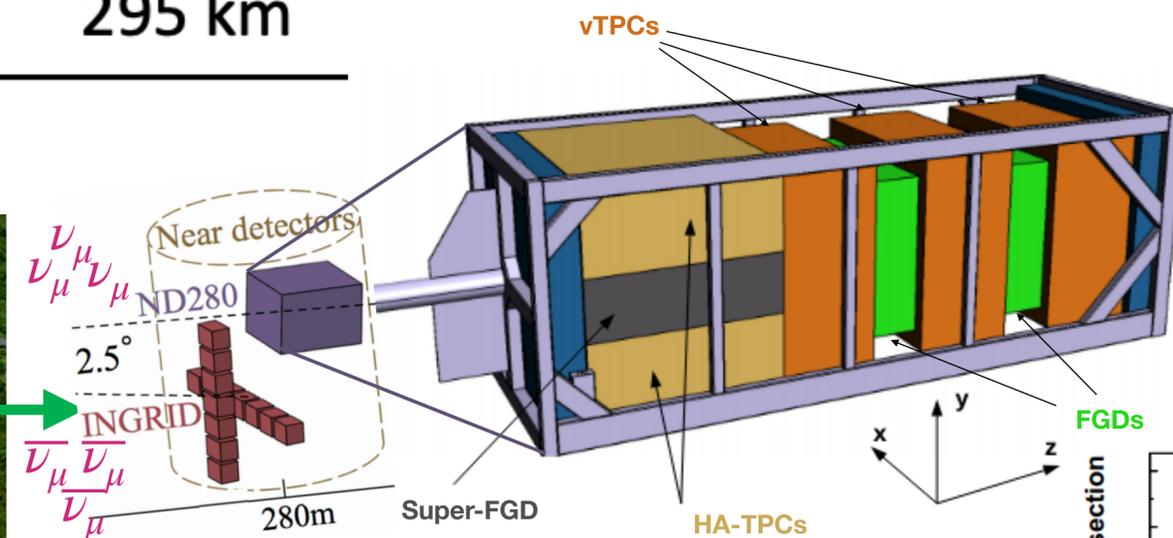
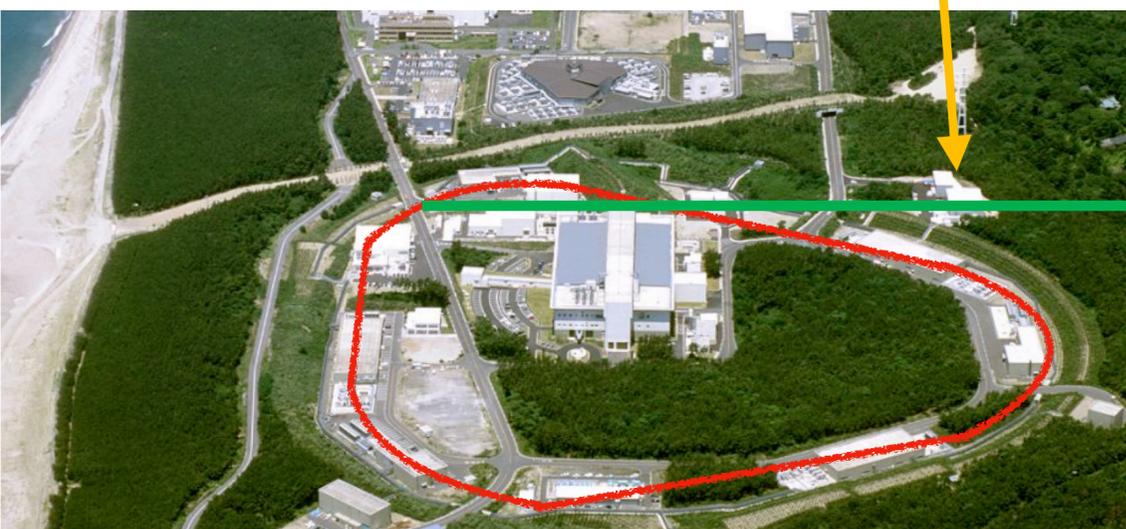
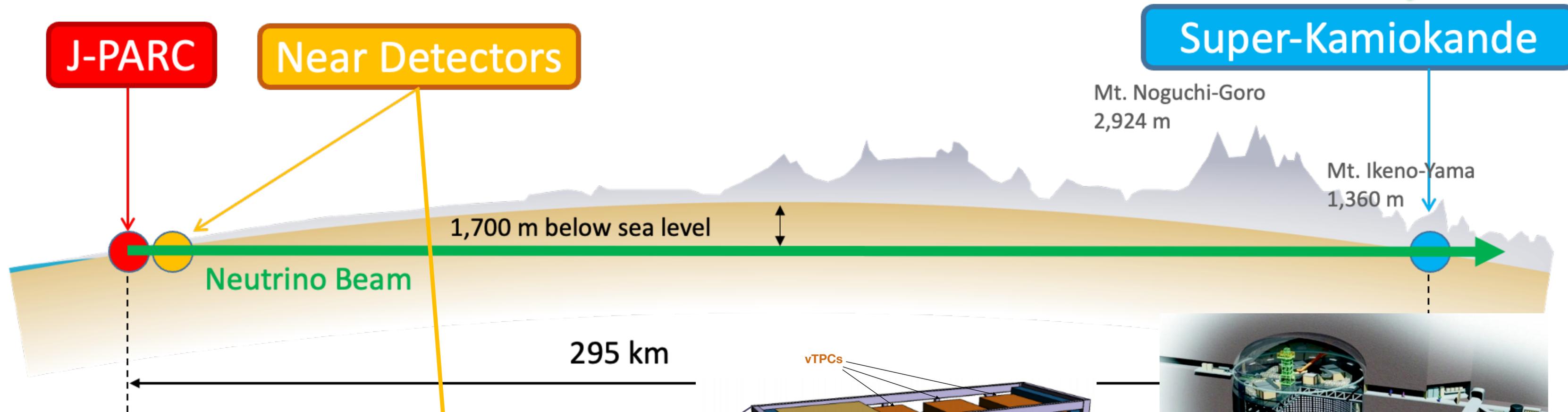


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 - Beam monitoring
 - Tune flux & interaction models predictions for OA
 - ν cross-sections
 - Magnetized 0.2T
 - Upgraded ND280 completed

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$$N_{\nu\beta}(E_{\nu}^{reco}) = P_{\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta}}(E_{\nu}^{true}) \Phi(E_{\nu}^{true}) \sigma(E_{\nu}^{true}) \epsilon(E_{\nu}^{true}) S(E_{\nu}^{true}, E_{\nu}^{reco})$$



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 - Super-Kamiokande
 - 50kton water Cherenkov detector

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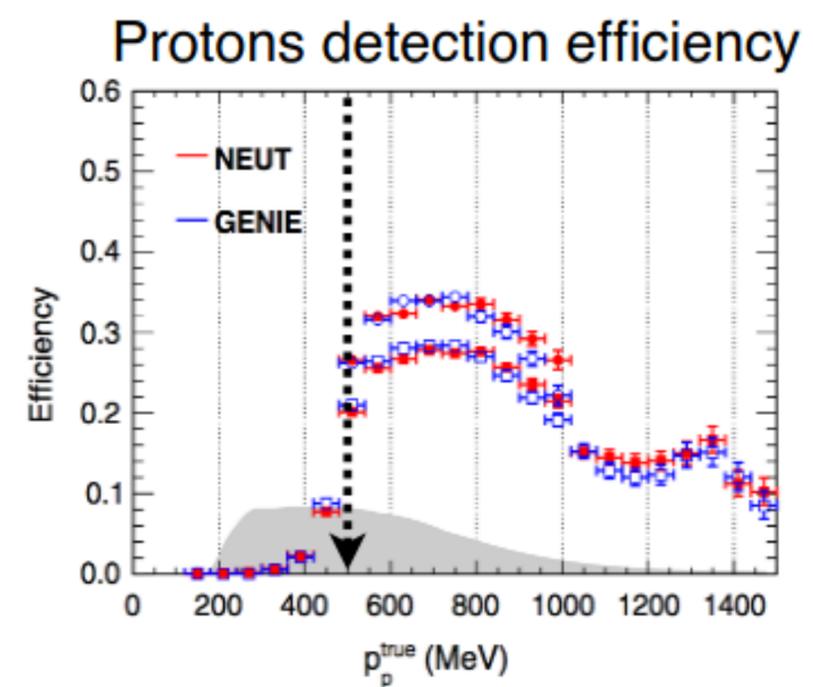
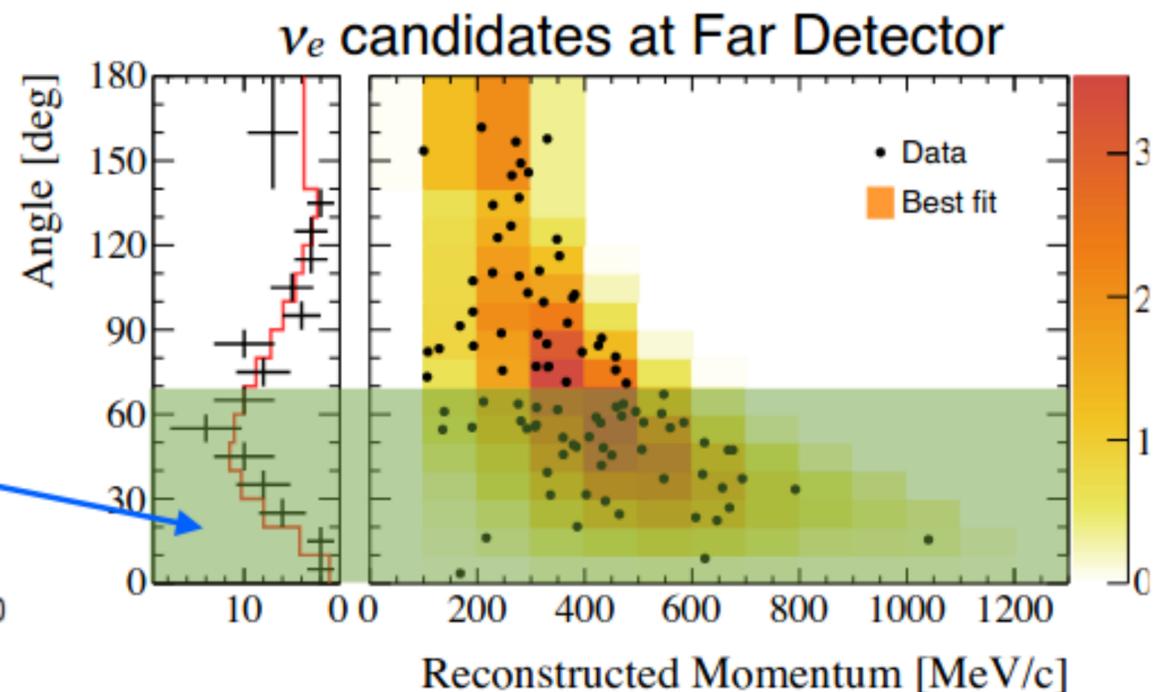
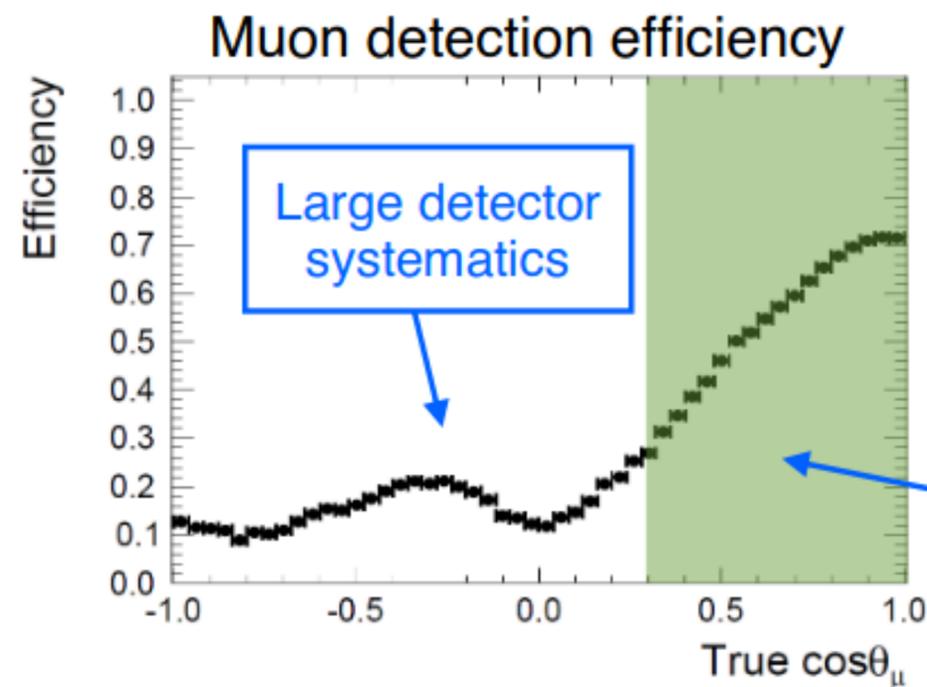
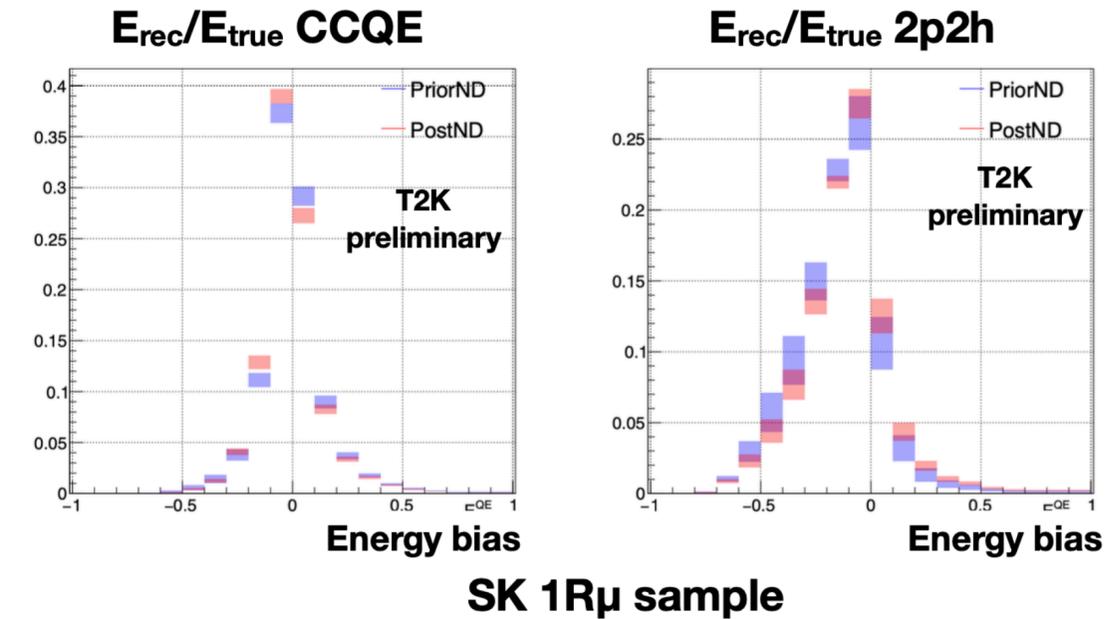
Why doing an upgrade?

Neutrino oscillation

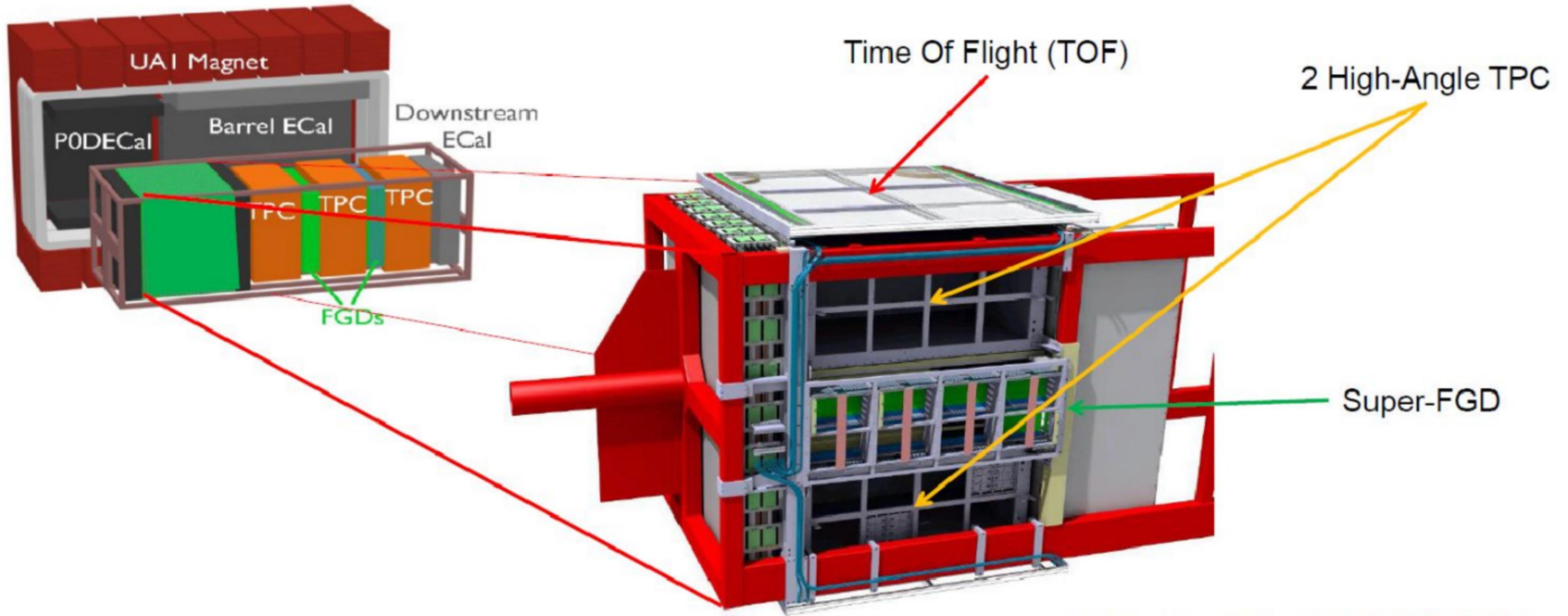
- Measure the neutrino energy is non trivial
- And could have large impact on oscillation parameters

Limitations

- Old ND280 mainly a **forward** detector while SK is 4pi (**high-angle and backward** tracks not well reconstructed)
- Hadronic part of interactions only **partially** reconstructed because of proton threshold
 - Loss of information -> need to rely on neutrino-nucleus model to construct the neutrino energy from final state lepton



ND280 Upgraded



Technical Design Report: [arXiv:1901.03750](https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.03750)

ND280 upgrade installation timeline



September 2023

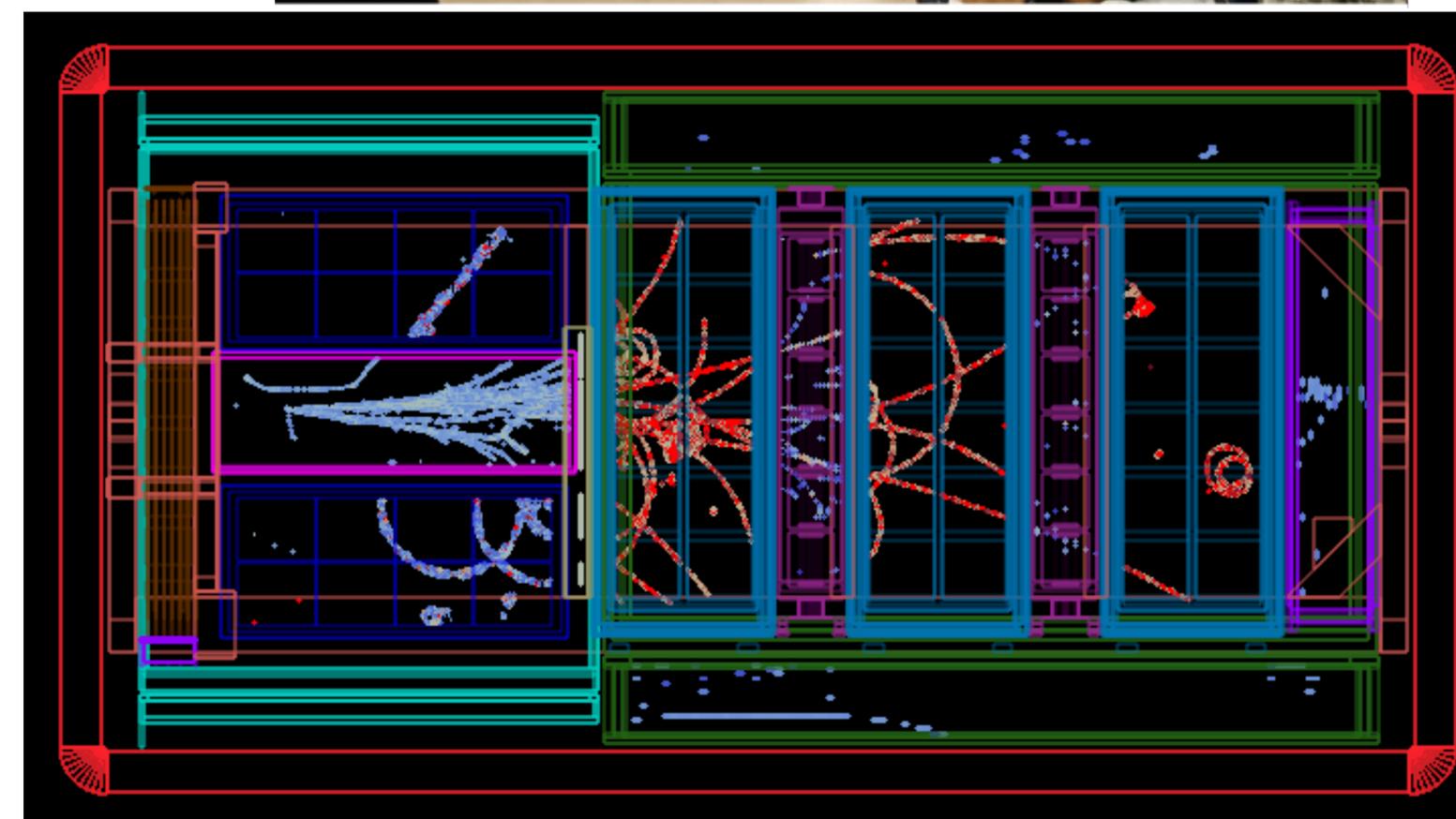
- Installation of most upgraded detectors:
 - Bottom HATPC
 - SuperFGD (partially equipped)
 - TOF downstream, bottom and top panels

=> Already integrated and first beam taken in Dec 2023

April 2024

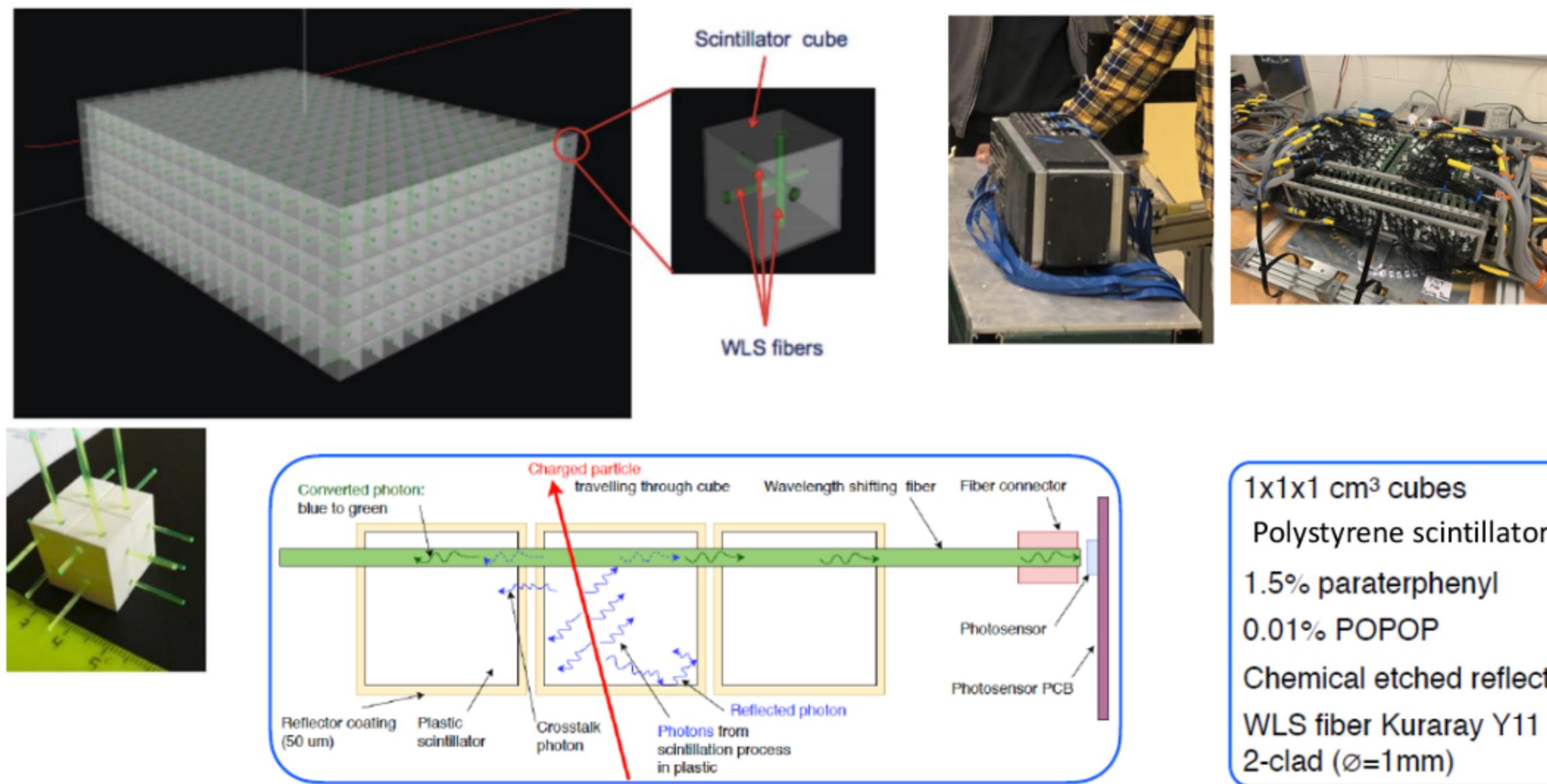
- Installation of Top HATPC
- SFGD fully equipped with its electronic
- Installation of remaining TOF panels

=> All detectors online for June 2024 beam run



**Smooth installation thanks to
high presence of Jennifer2
people on-site!**

SuperFGD concept and installation



Main characteristics

- Highly segmented target made of 2 millions cubes of plastic scintillators
- Readout by a 3D array of fibres
 - Precise location of primary vertex
 - Lower threshold for protons and neutrons

SuperFGD concept and installation



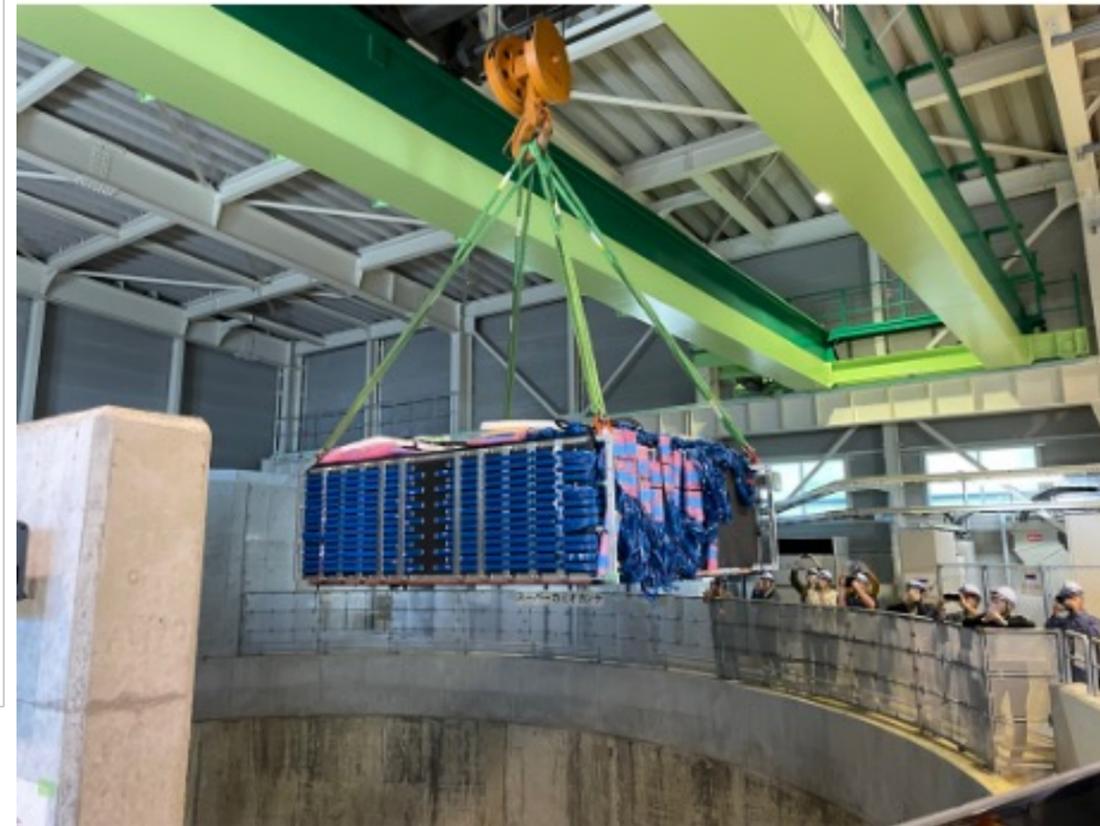
On-surface tests

- Tested and qualified before installation



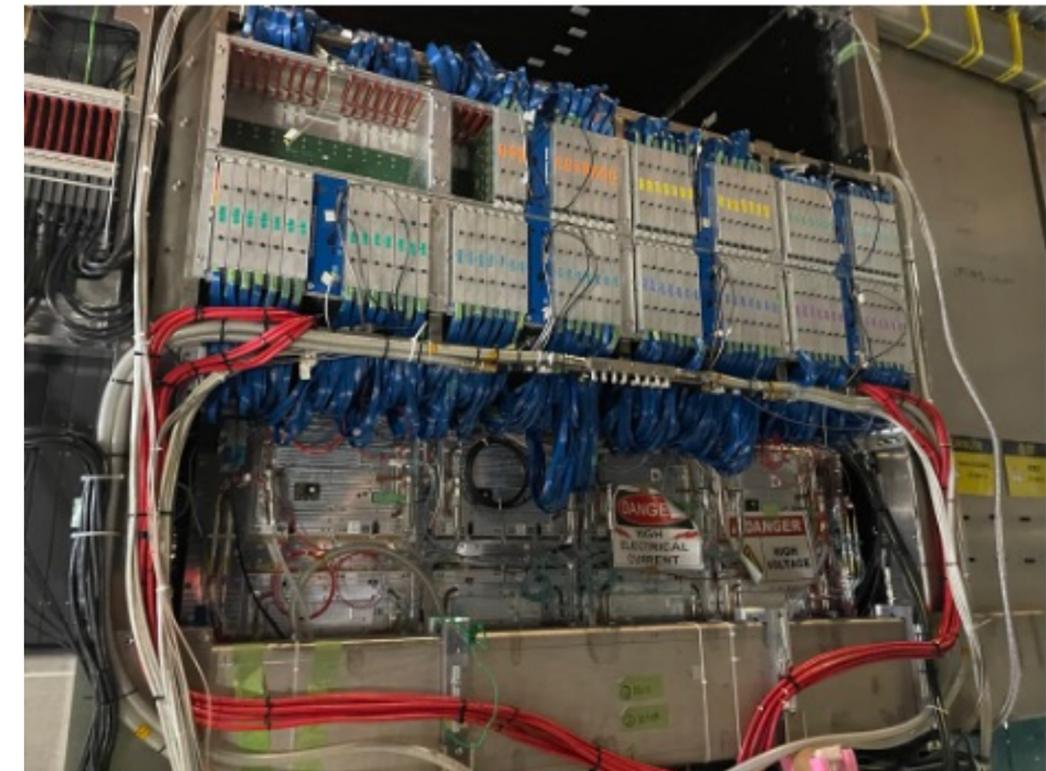
Installation in basket

- 12th October 2023



Cabling and commissioning

- Cabled and tested with TOF cosmic trigger before December beam



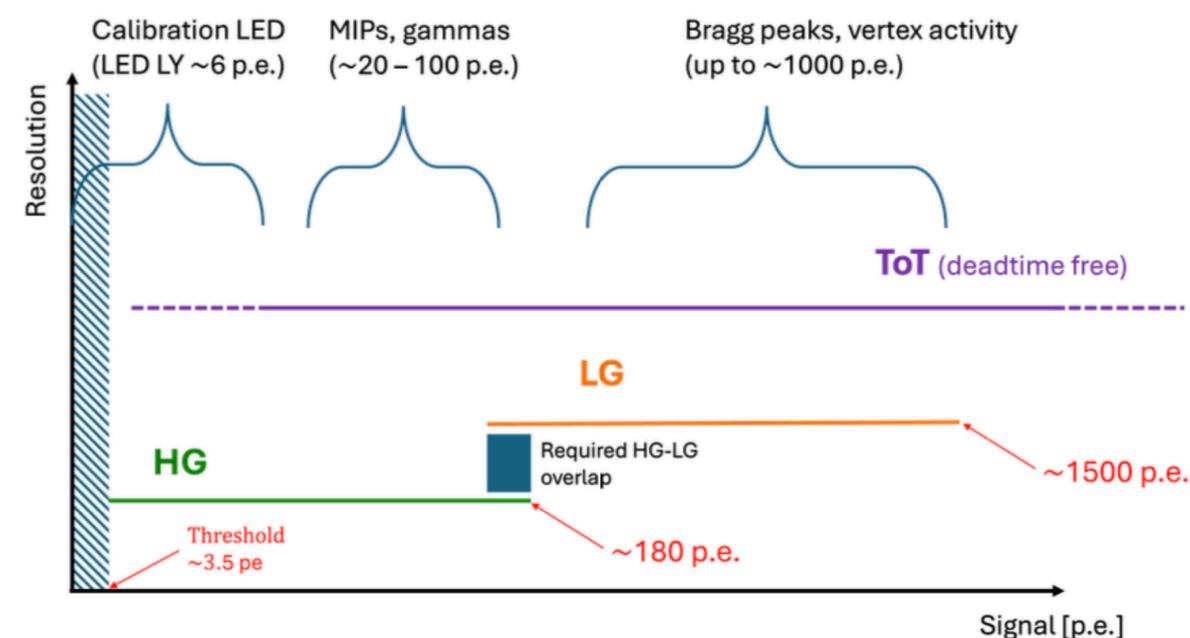
Important presence of Jennifer groups

SuperFGD calibration

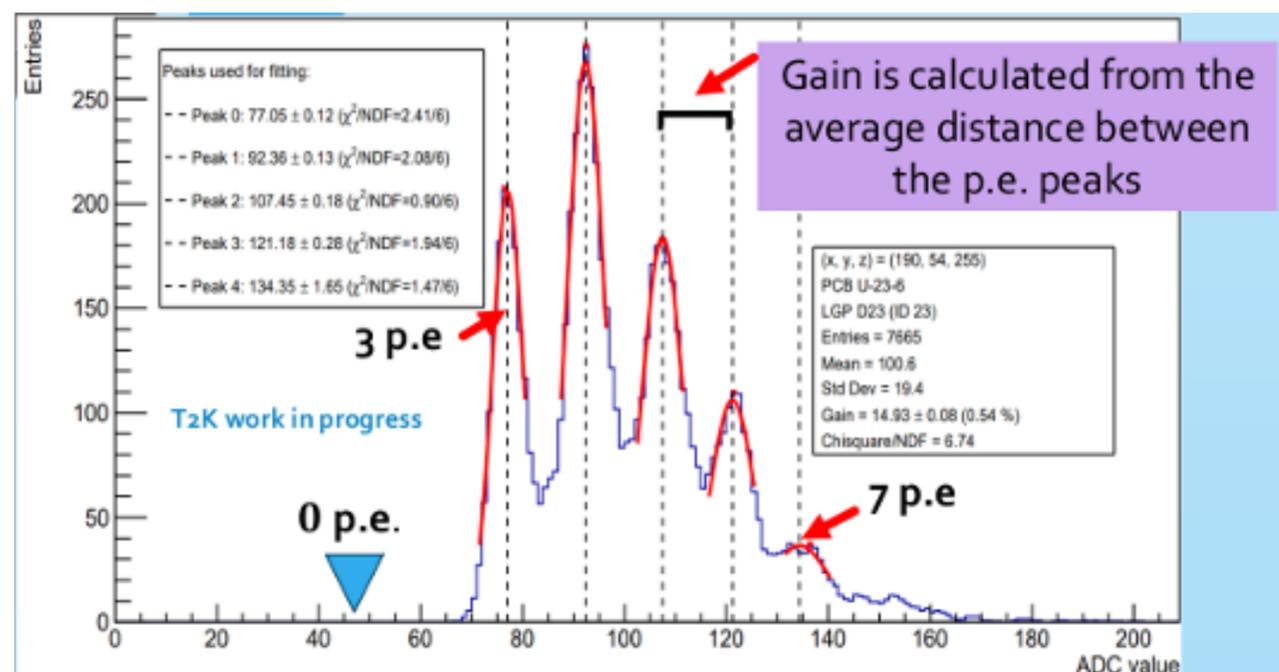


Detector response: Low and high gain readout

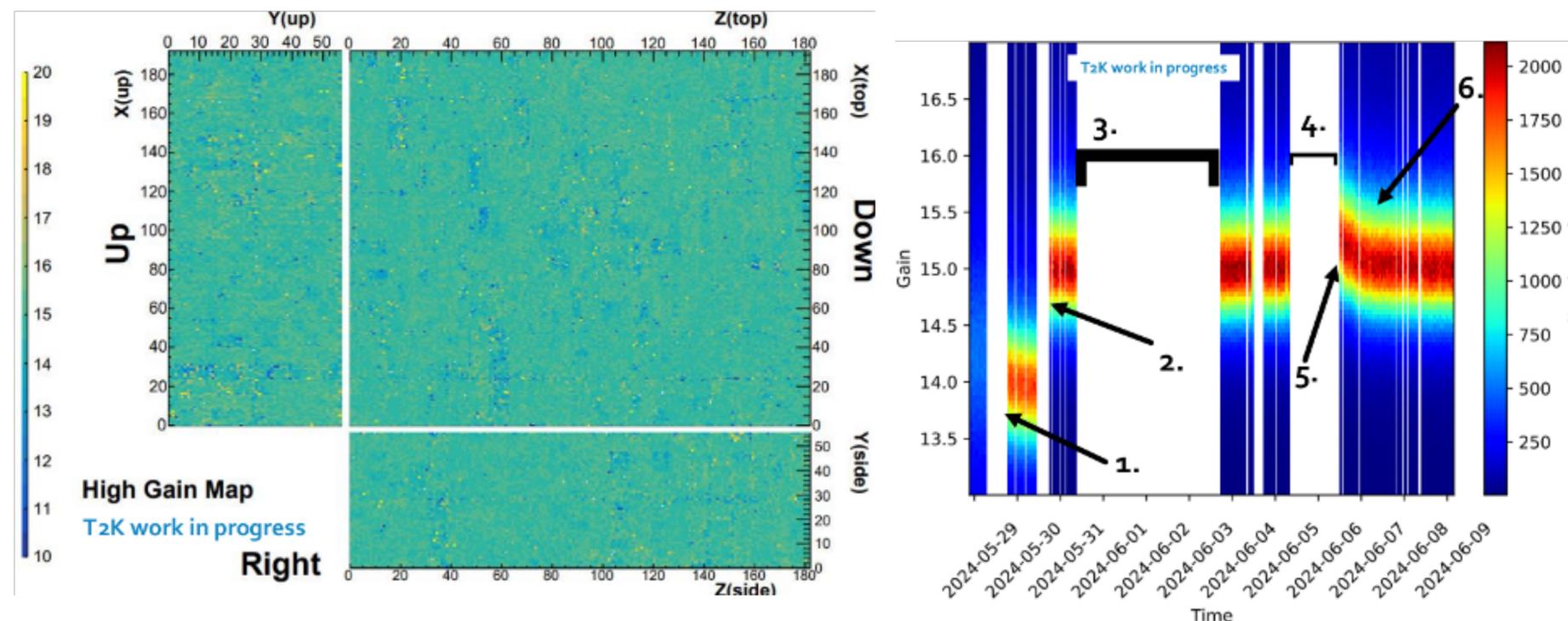
- Signal digitized by CITIROC (Omega lab. Ecole Polytechnique)
- Low and high gain signals (2x 12-bits ADC)
=> *Full coverage of high dynamic range*



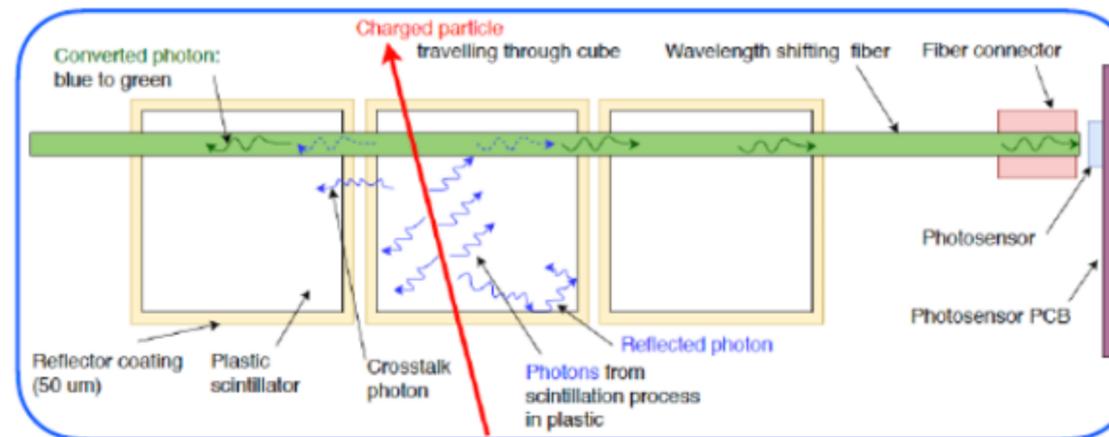
Calibration of LG with LED injection



Calibration of HG with cosmic



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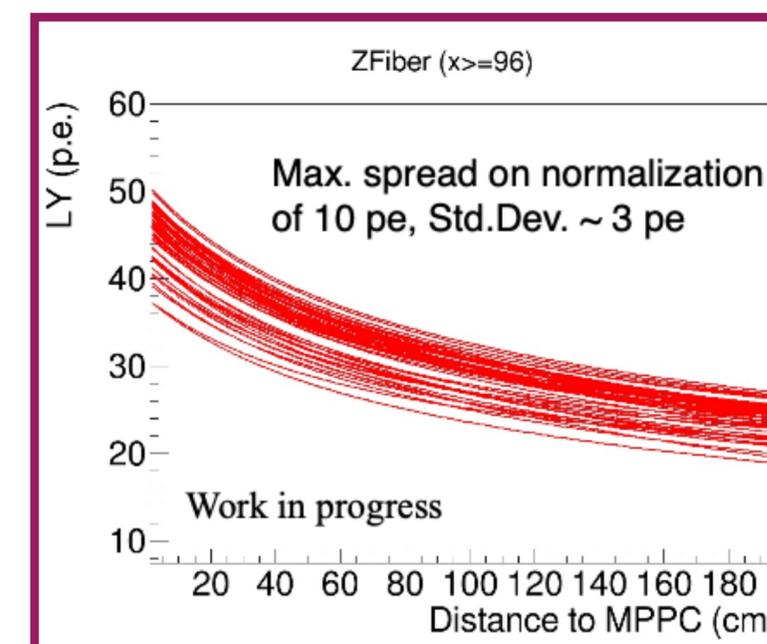
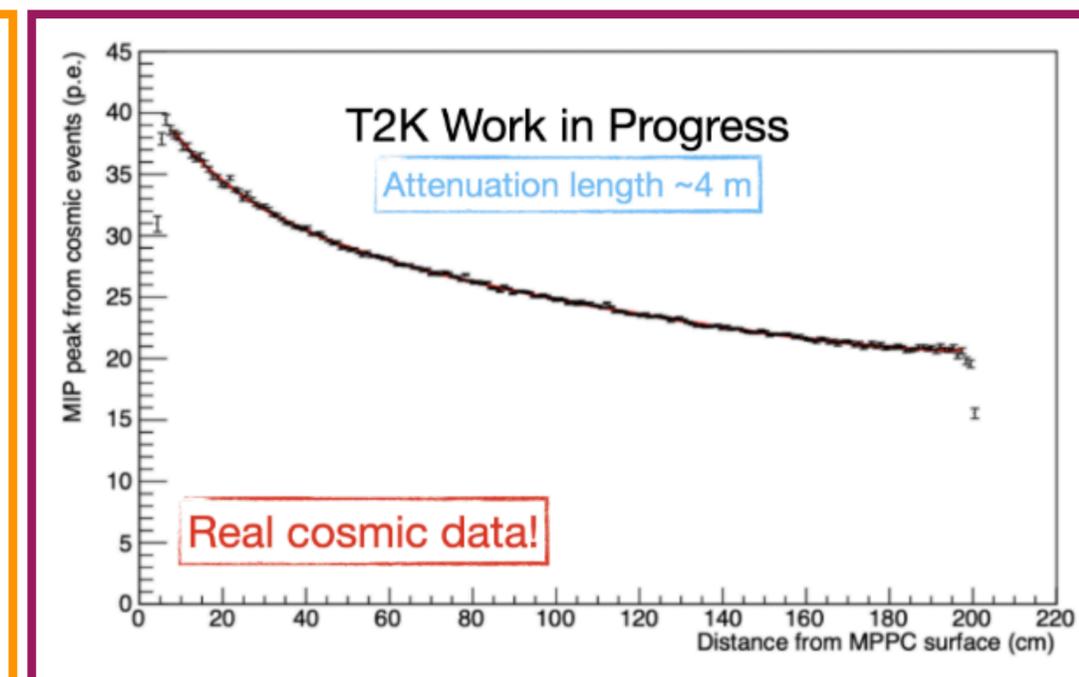
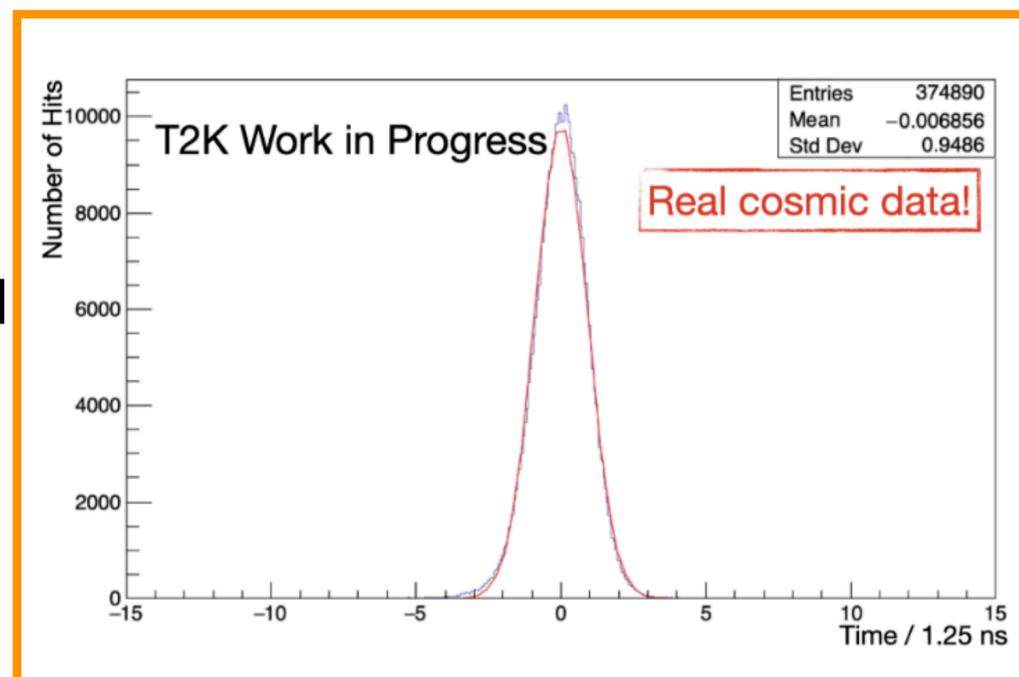


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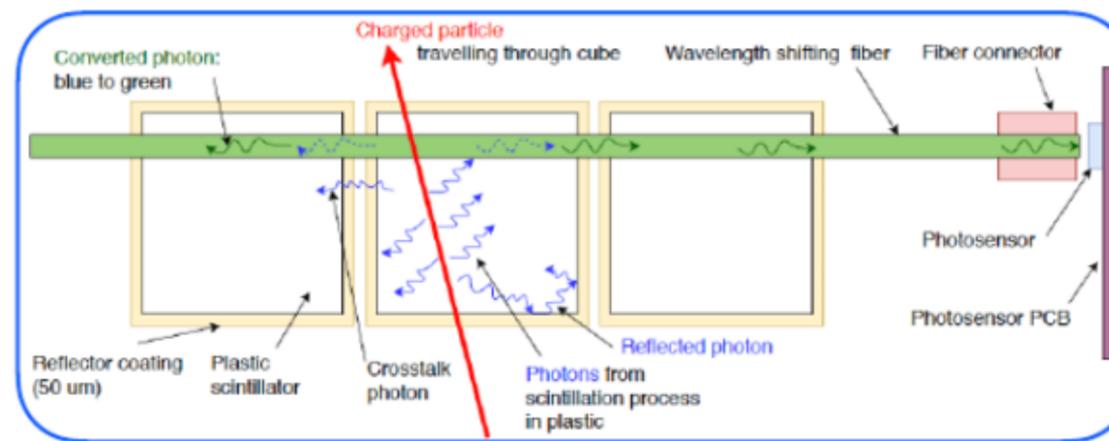


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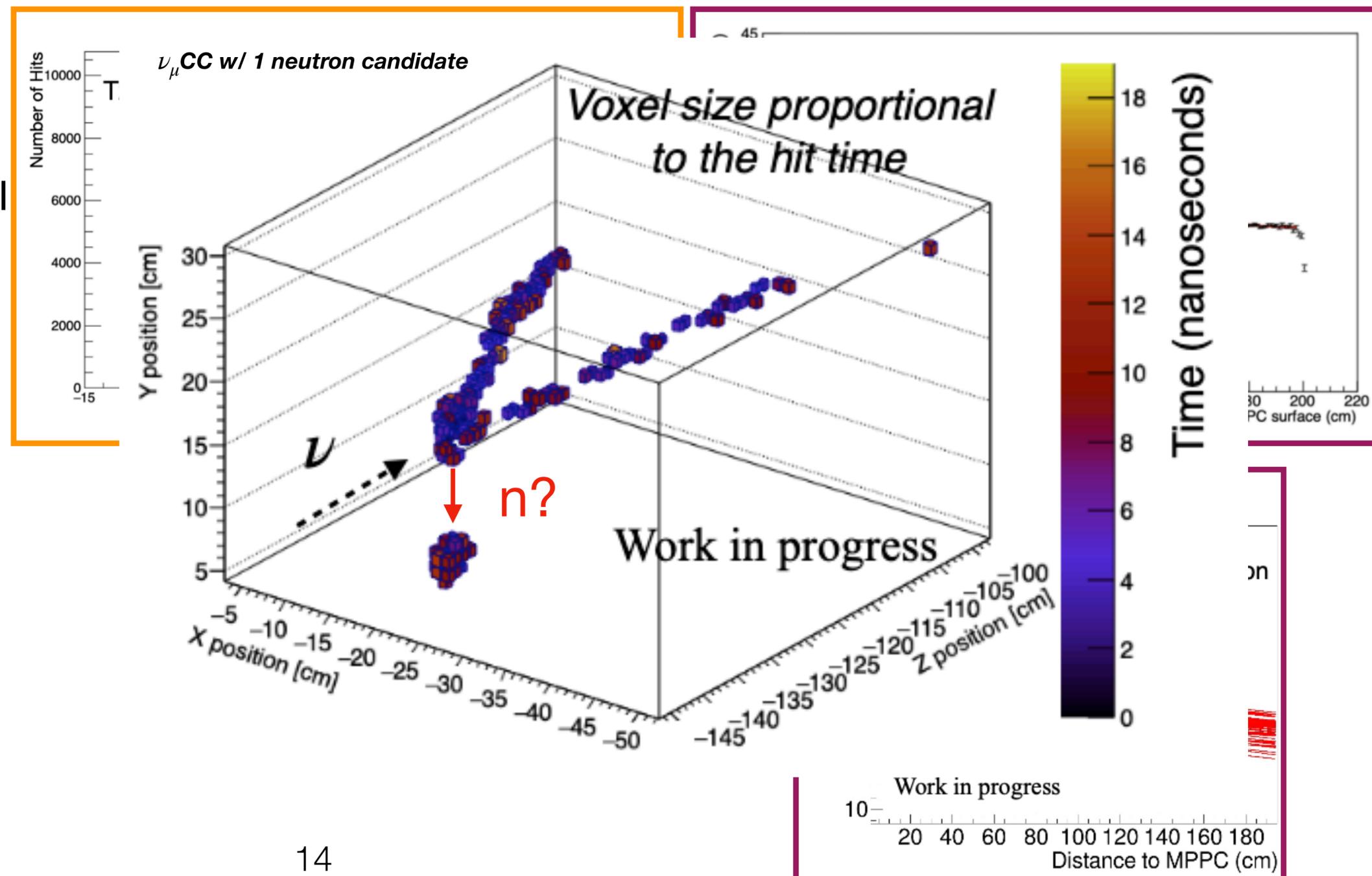


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- **Allow to see hadrons!**

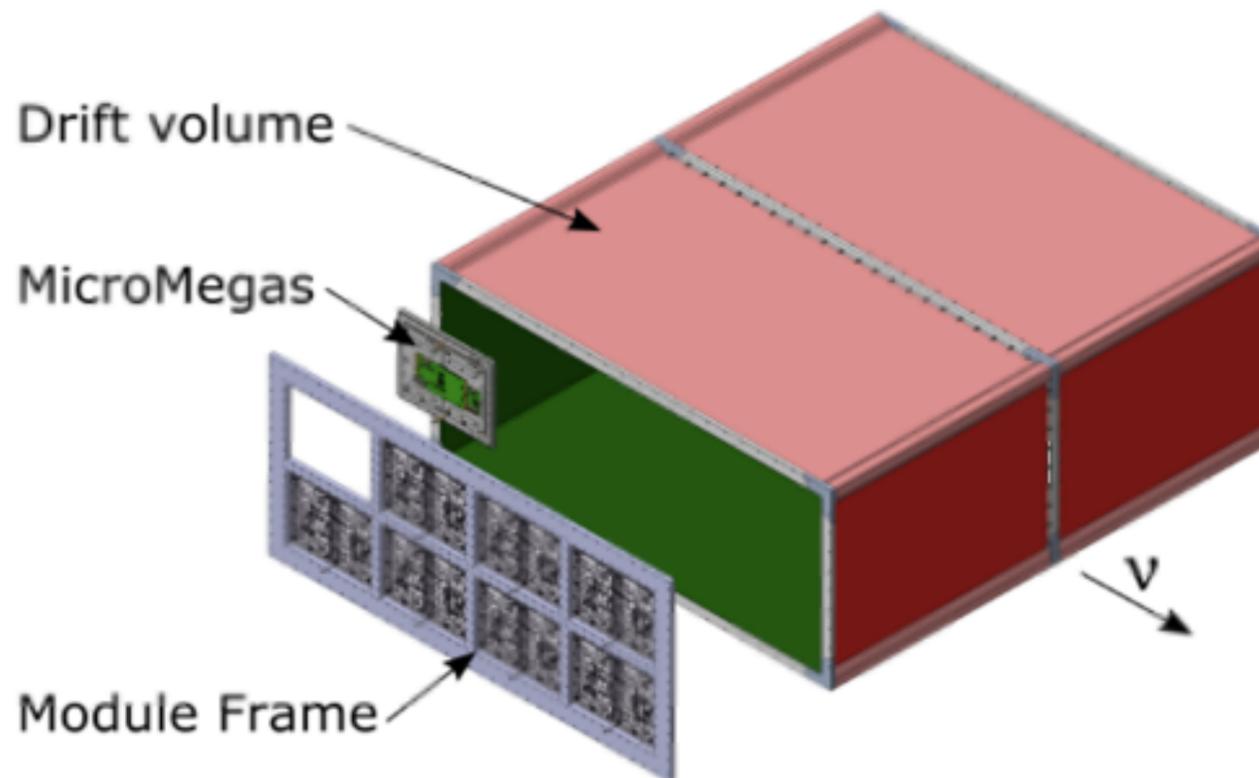


HATPC concept



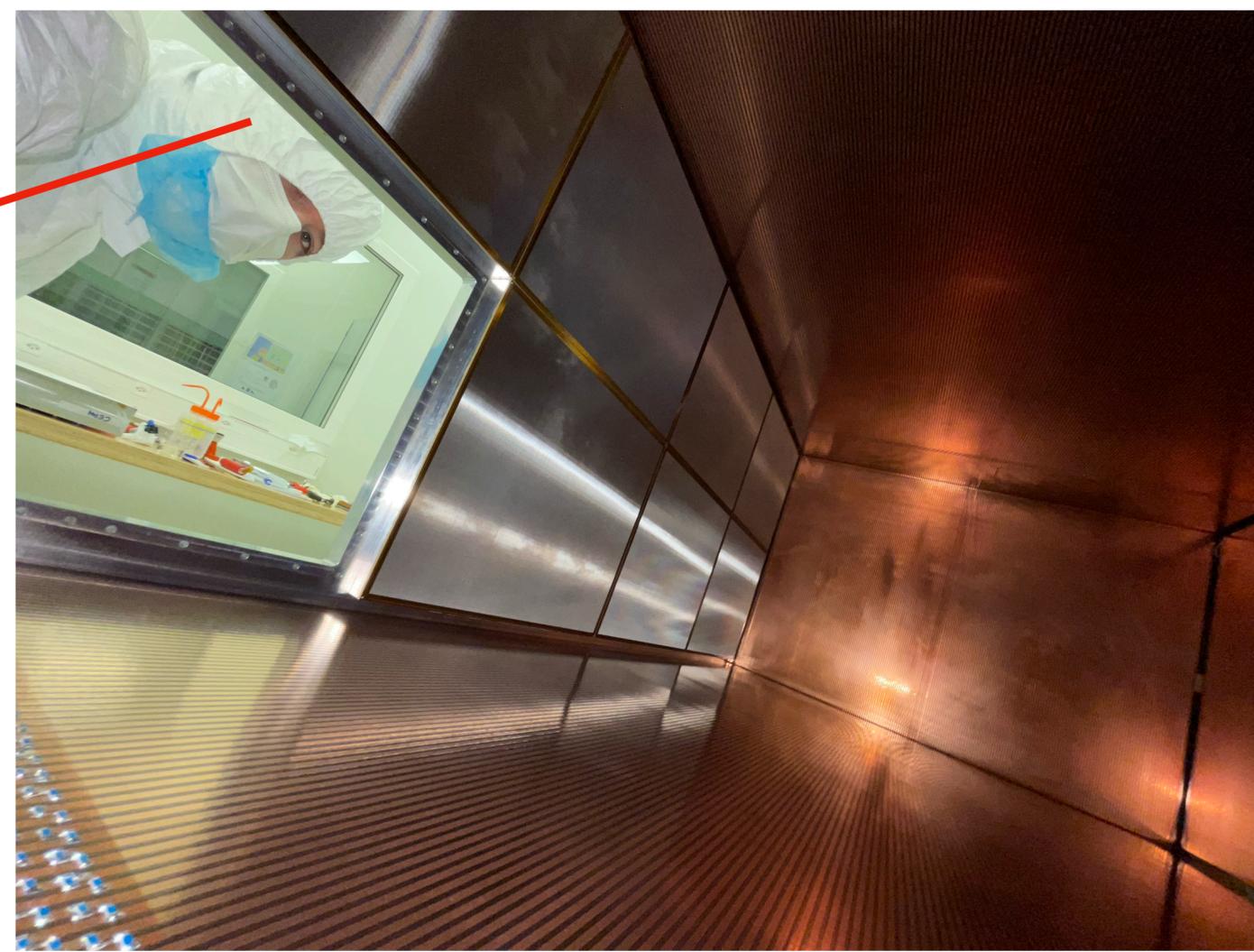
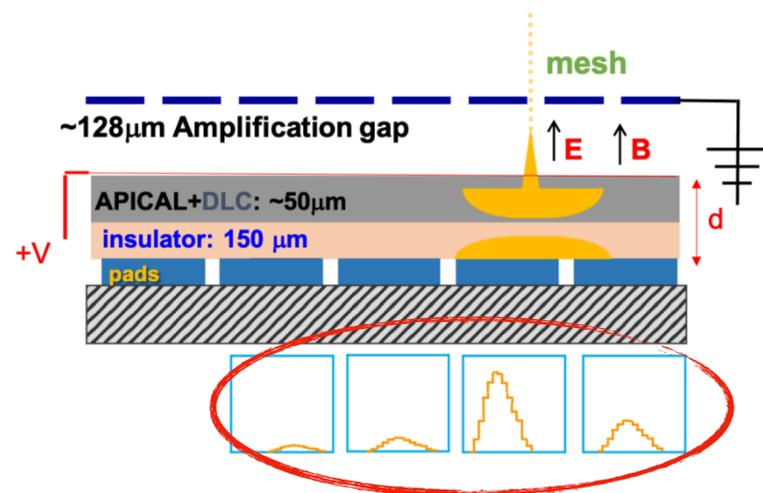
Atmospheric pressure TPC

- Gas: T2K mixture (95 Ar - 3 CF4 - 2 isoC4H10)
- New gas system -> contaminants better than 10ppm
- Drift length 1m
 - Central cathode @ 27kV
- Low material budget
 - Thin wall thanks to composite materials



Encapsulated Resistive Anode Micromegas (ERAM)

- Benefits from ILC TPC & RD51 (now DRD1)
- Bulk micromegas with a resistive layer (DLC) for **charge spreading**
 - Improves spatial resolution for same pads density
 - Reduce sparks rate -> Electronic protection
- Mesh at ground -> Improves E field homogeneity



HATPC installation



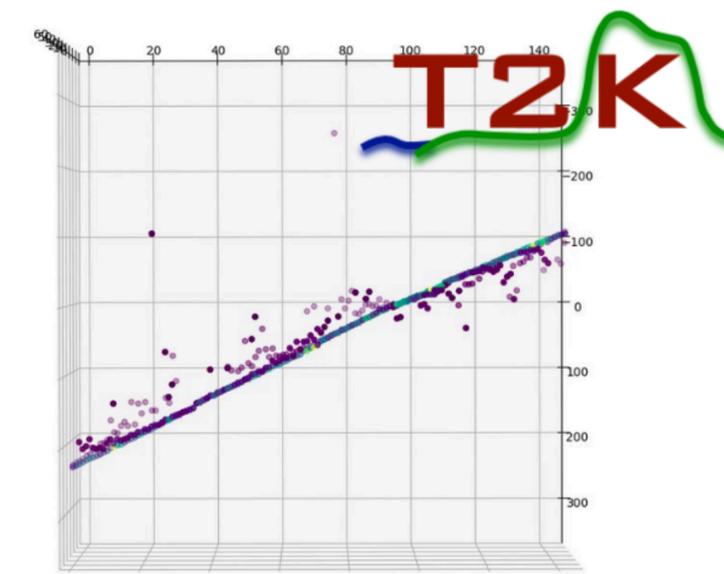
25th August: Delivery at JPARC



6-7th September: Installation



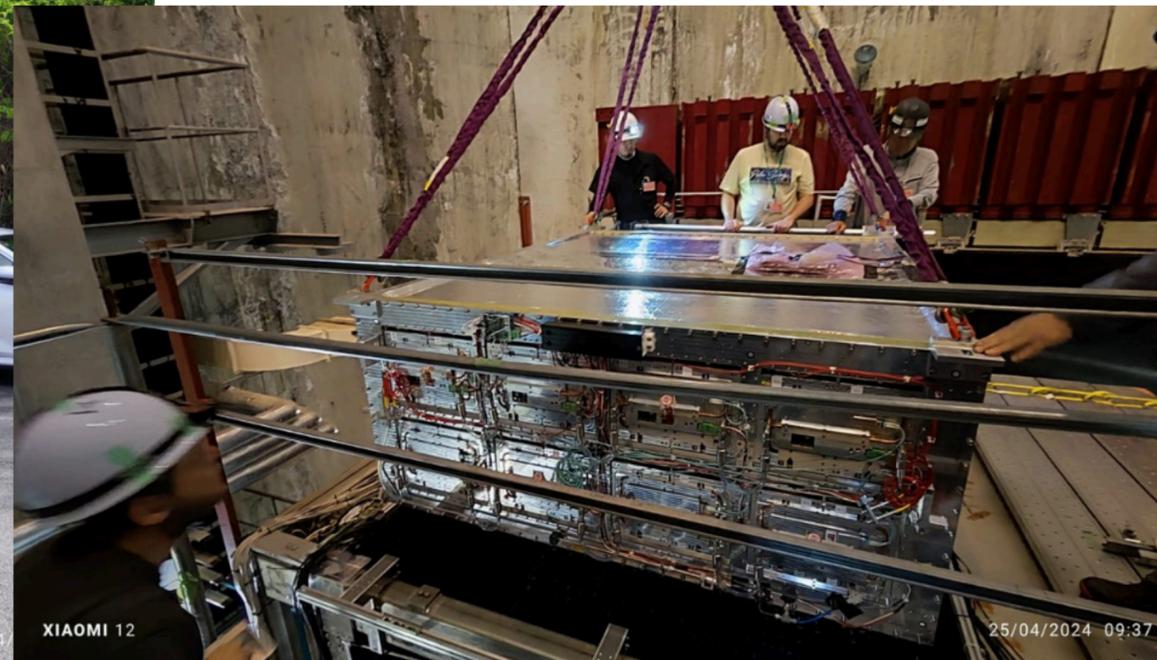
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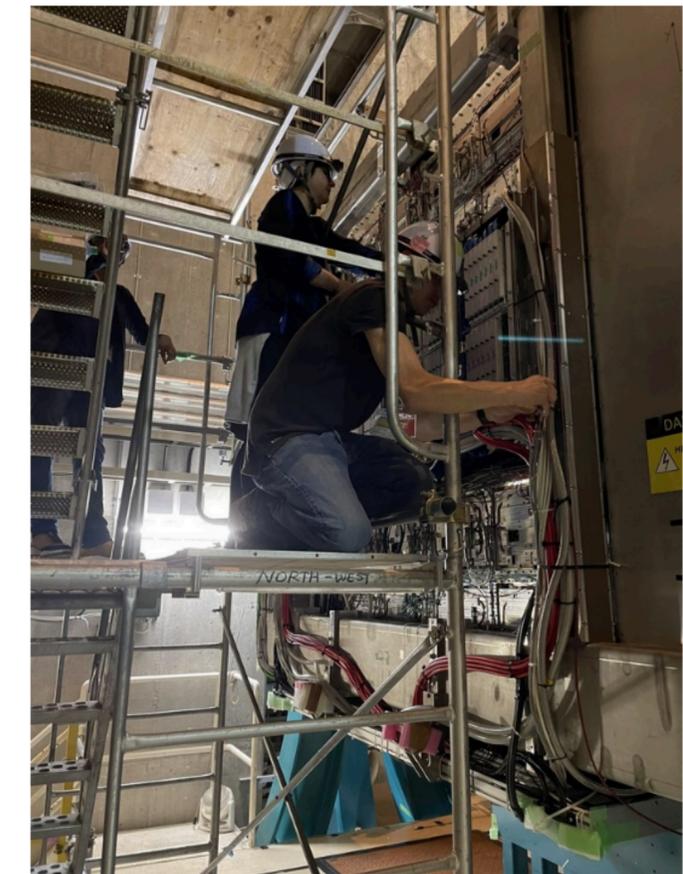
11th October: First cosmic track



Important presence of Jennifer groups



25th April: Installation of tHATPC after top TOF removal

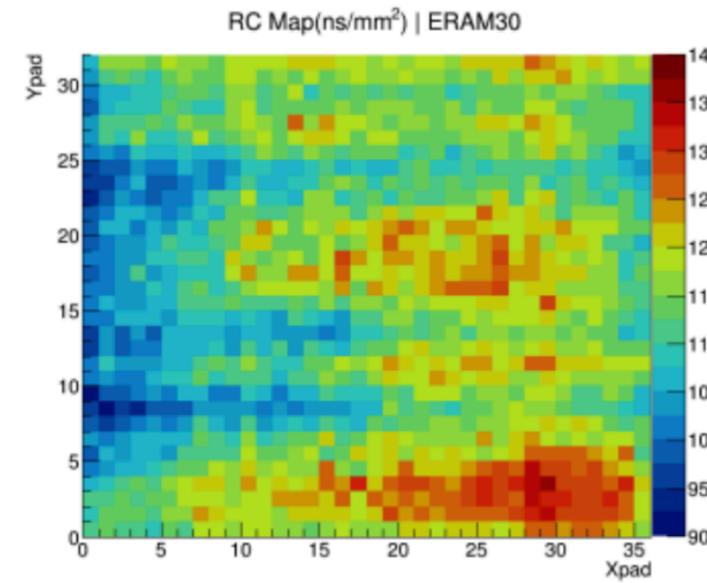


HATPC characterisation

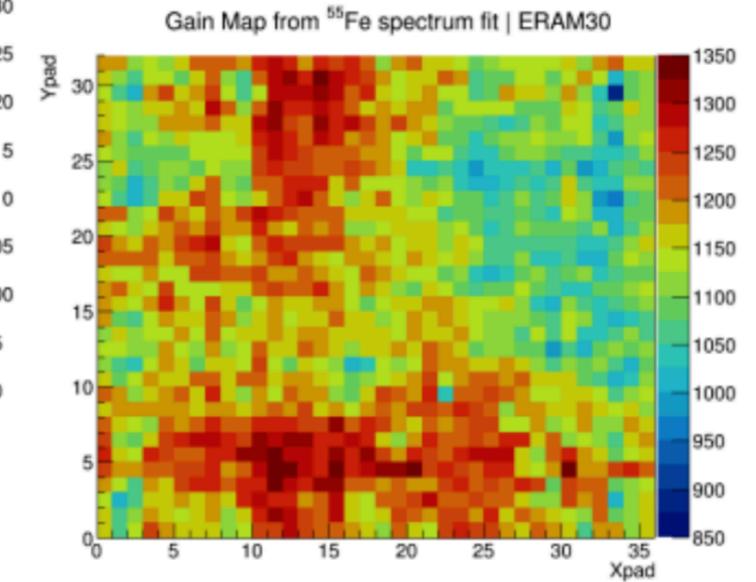


Extensive characterization @ CERN

- Each modules was characterized using a ^{55}Fe source to extract:
 - Gain, RC => Used as input of reconstruction to homogenized detector response



RC map of ERAM30



Gain map of ERAM30

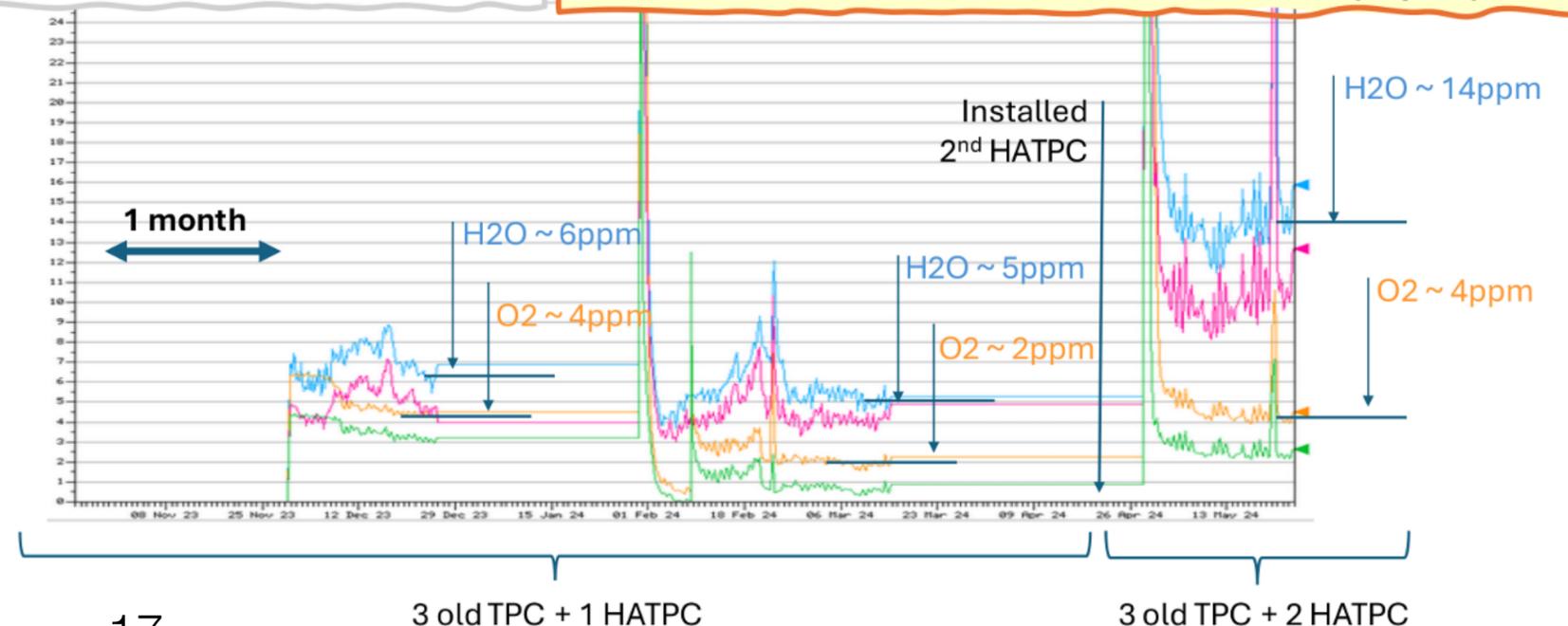
Gas system monitoring

- New gas system has been installed @ JPARC
 - Connections to chambers few days after installation, thanks to constant on-site supports from Jennifer groups
- **Reach ~ 10ppm level of contaminants,** constantly monitored to precisely correct detector response time evolution

Gas contamination from Field Cage – O₂ and H₂O

New gas system (CERN)
Overall recirculation flow ~ 500 l/h per TPC with overall few % fresh gas injection

O₂ level drop below 10ppm after ~ 10 vol. exchanged - volume effect
H₂O level much slower decrease rate - surface effect (Kapton)

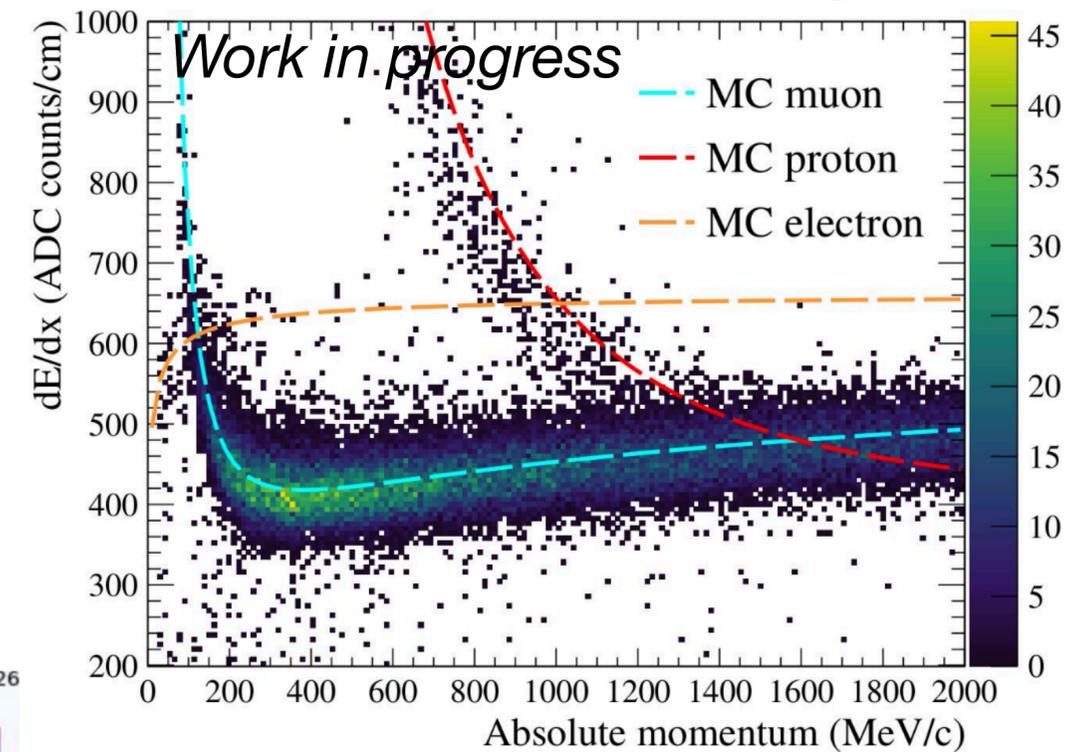
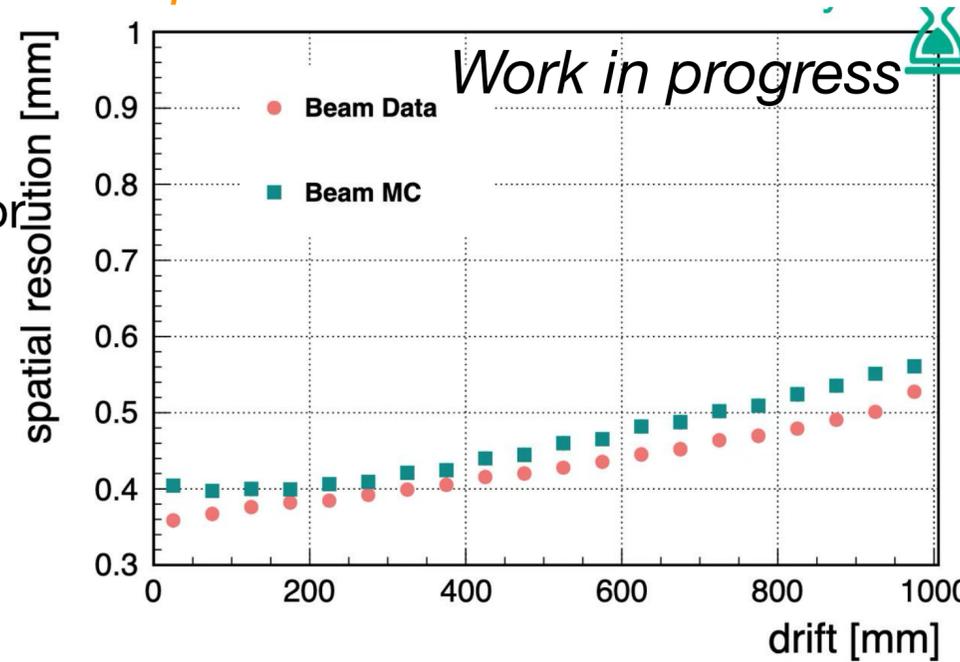


HATPC performances

dE/dx resolution



Spatial resolution data/MC



Performances on-site

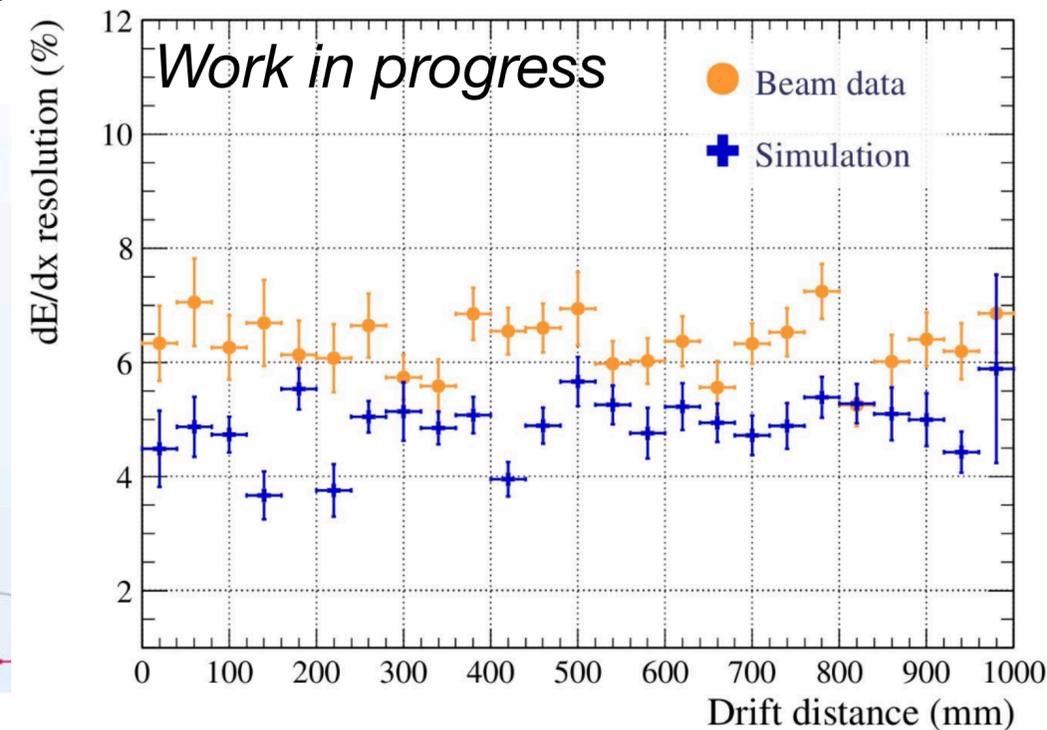
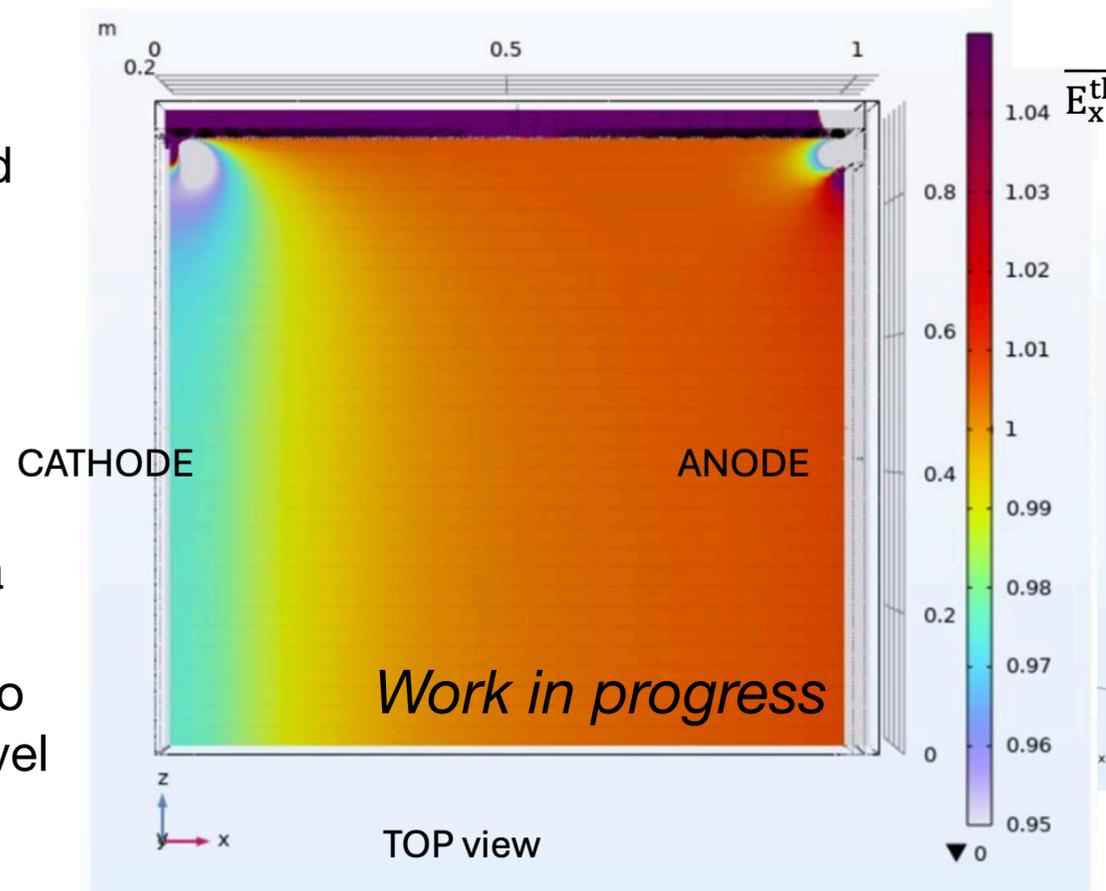
- Using sand muons from beam to study detector response
- Reach expected performances:
 - **Spatial resolution ~ 600um**
 - **Energy resolution < 10% for dE/dx**

E field distortion

- Discovered distortion near cathode
- HAT geometry fully implemented to COMSOL
 - Already implemented in reconstruction and simulation

Improvements

- Currently using cluster based track reconstruction
 - Get full advantage of spreading by doing a global fit
- Noise has been studied and a model derived to get better data/MC agreement @ waveform level



TOF concept and installation



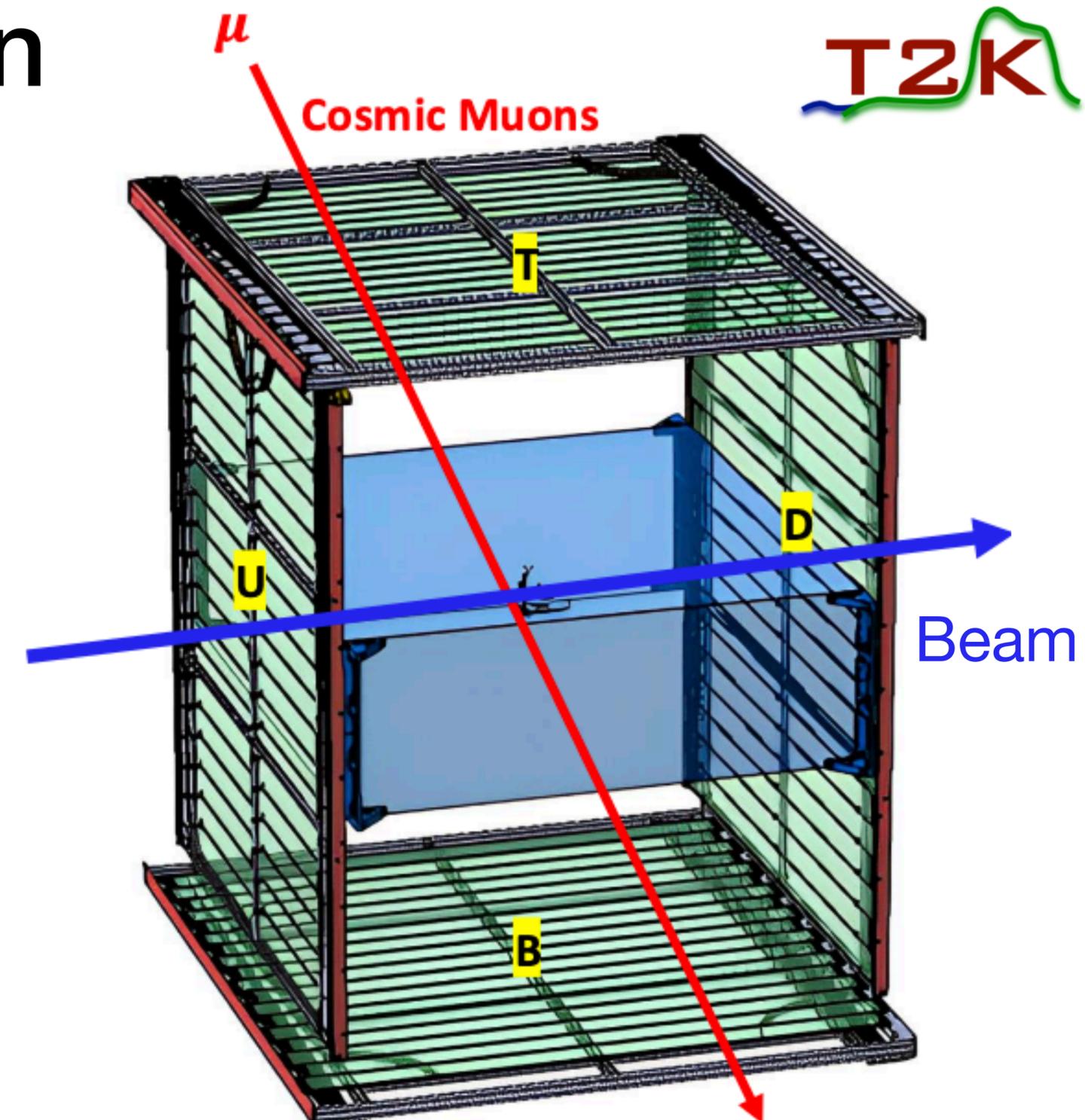
TOF modules

- Composed of 20 plastic scintillator bars arranged in a plane with a total active area of 5.4 m²
- Readout on both ends by SiPM arrays

TOF goals

- PID using time-of-light
- Tags background from out-of-fiducial volume
- Provide T0 to HATPCs
- Improve SFGD neutron time-of-light measurement
- Beam and SAND muons monitoring

In addition has provided cosmic triggers to upgrade detectors



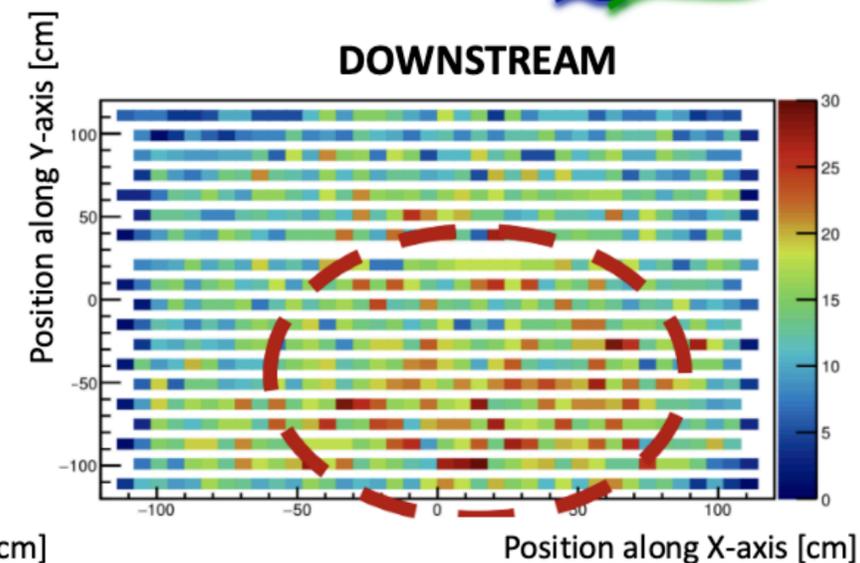
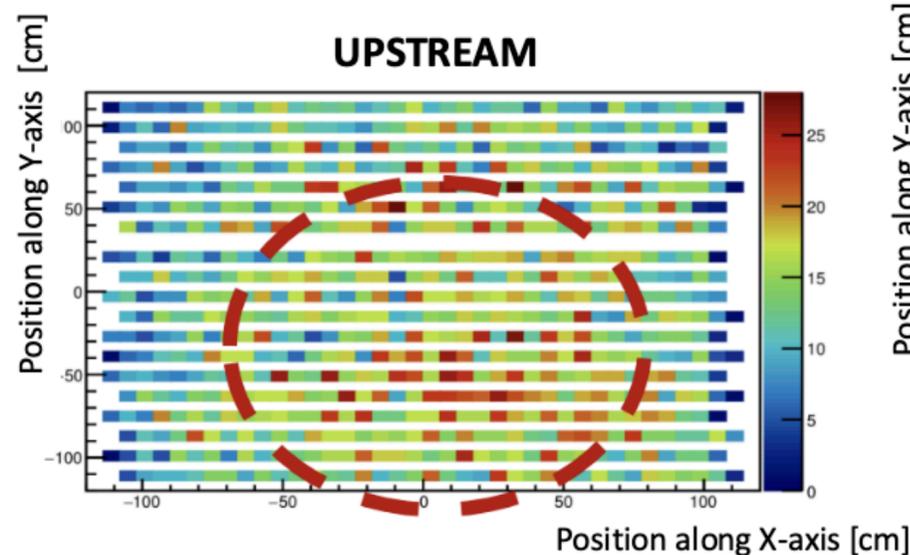
Plus 2 hidden side panels for a 4π coverage of detectors

TOF performances



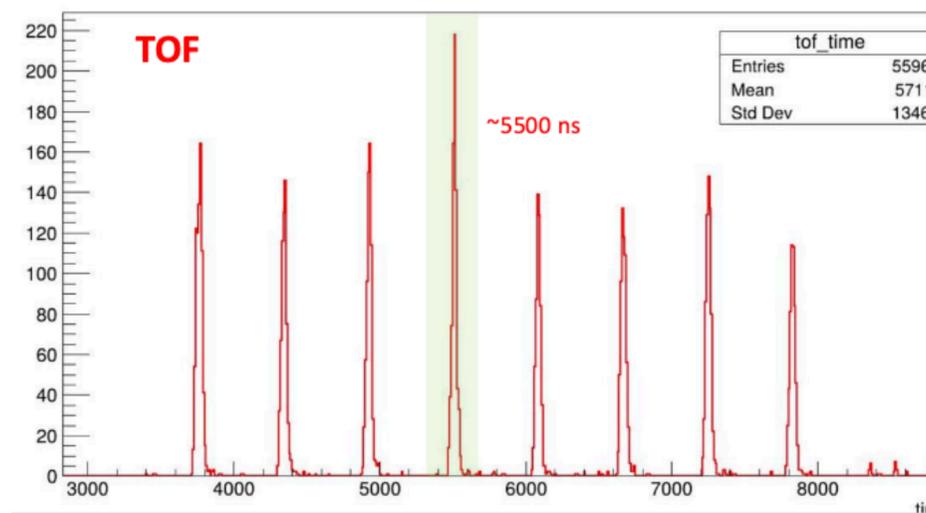
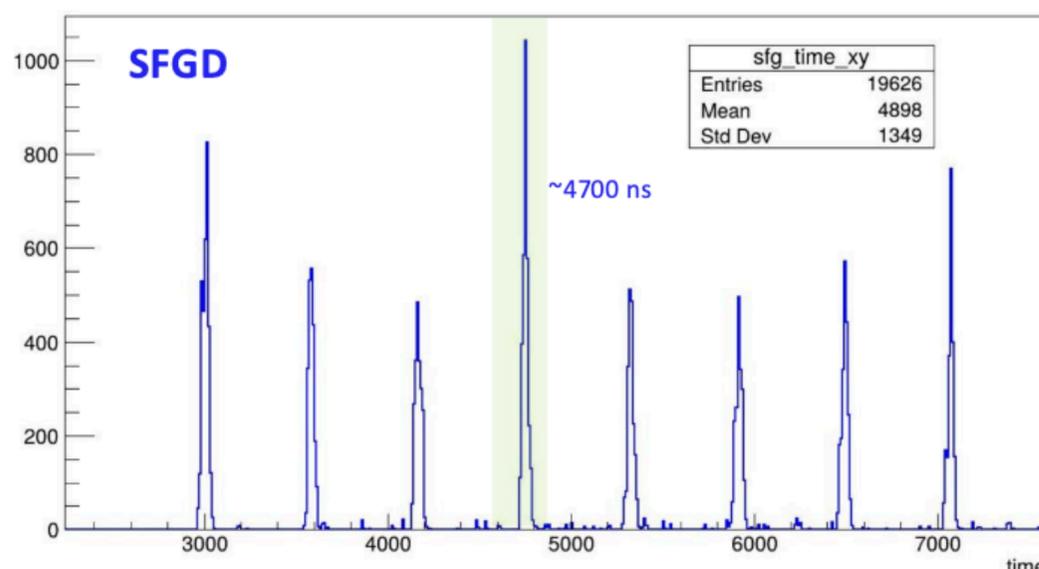
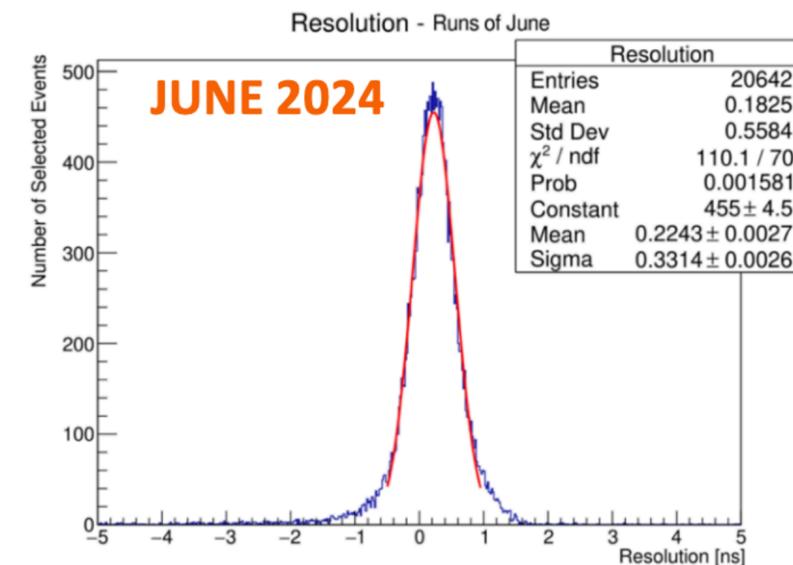
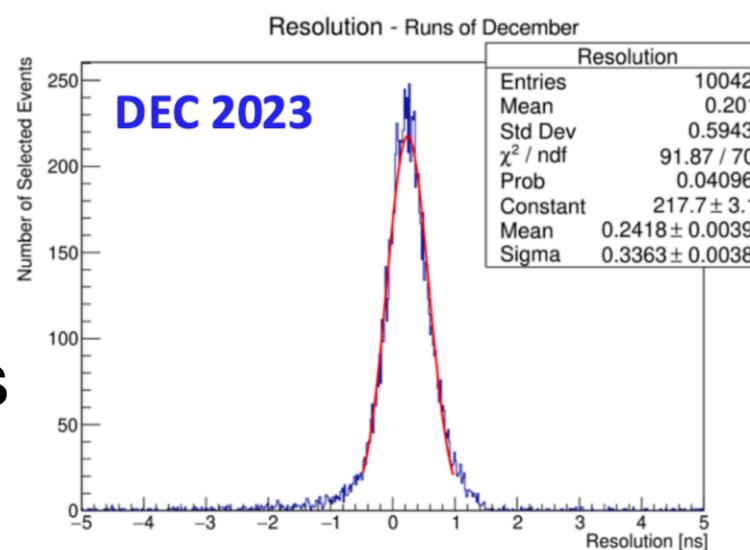
SAND muons selection

- Provide an ideal sand muons selection
- Well observed beam position
- Computed time resolution between upstream-downstream panels
 - **Reach a resolution of 330ps**



Beam time profile

- Provide time alignment X-check between sub-detectors
- Comparison with for example SFGD shows time offset



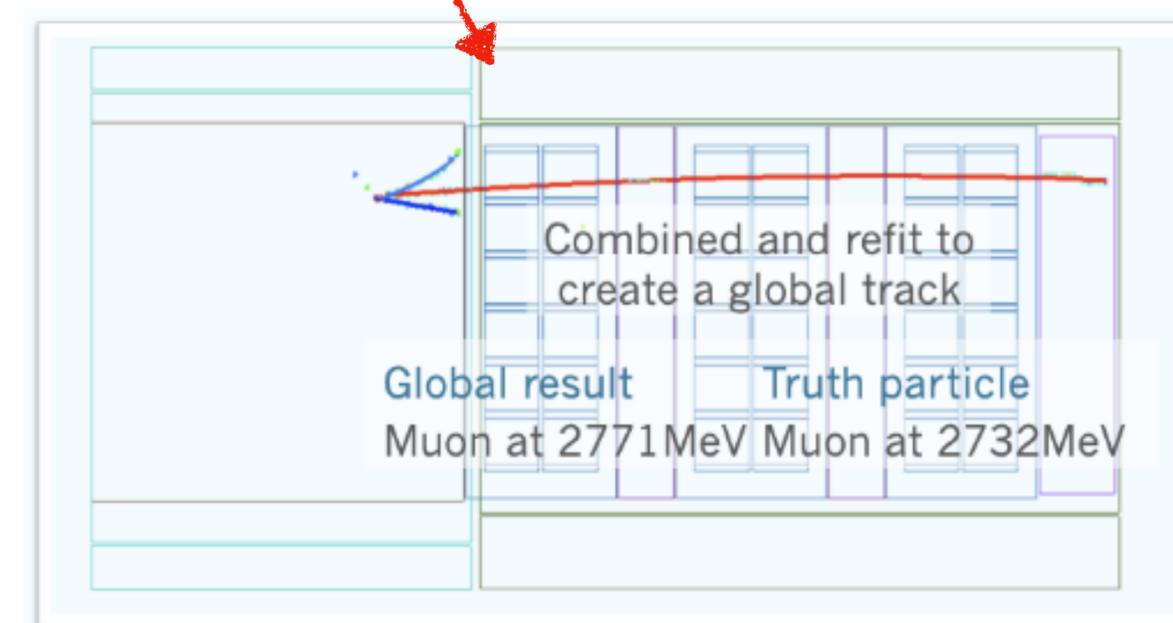
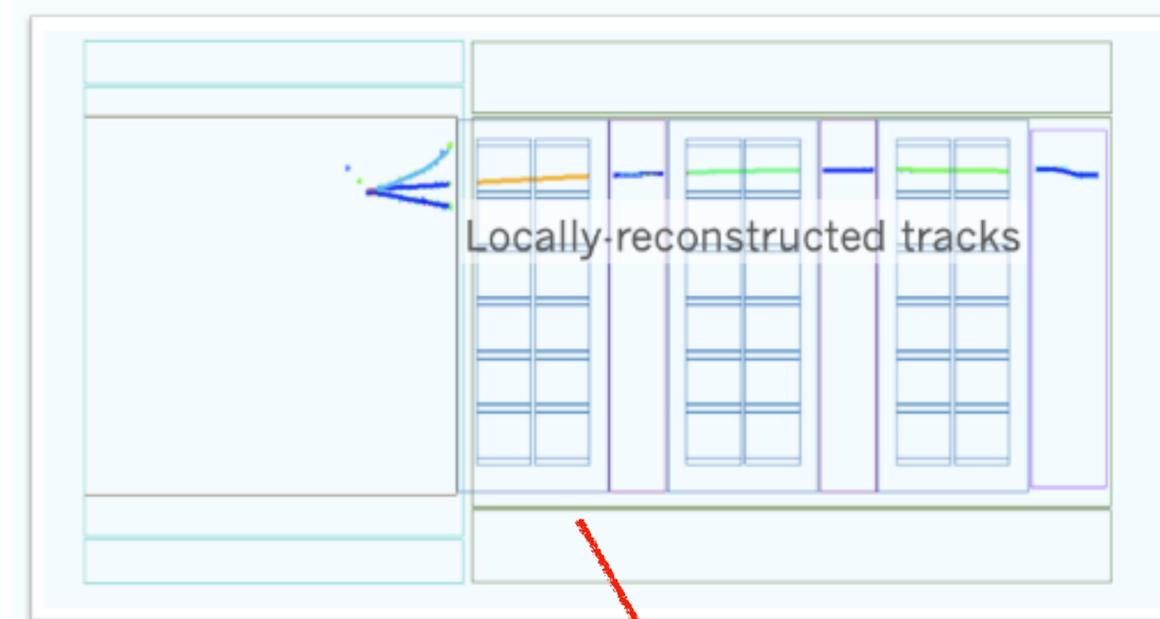
Towards global reconstruction

How to combine informations?

- Each sub detectors provides hits or tracks to global reconstruction
- Inter-detector tracking is made to create objects crossing several sub detectors
- Propagate, combine and merge local information to form global tracks

Systematic strategy

- Systematics will be studied at two levels:
 - Low-level: by detector groups,
 - High-level: by analyzers
- Presence of people involved in detector developments in each analysis groups for better communication



Conclusion



Upgrade installed

- The ND280 upgrade was completed in May, 2024 and ready for the June beam
- Upgrade detectors are very stable and detector developments runs are taken during beam off period
 - **Crucial support from Jennifer-2 project to have experts on-site!**

Detector calibration and performances

- Jennifer-2 groups were highly involved in the characterization of detector responses
- First performances were extracted and tools were developed for monitoring performance during data acquisition
 - Issues are investigating
- “Detector paper” are ongoing

Toward high-level analysis

- Also efforts have been put to include upgraded detector into high-level analysis software
 - Double cross-check detector performances and evaluation of systematics
 - Constant discussion between analysis and detector groups
- Prepare inputs for oscillation and cross-section measurements (See Andrea’s talk!)

Going further

- More sophisticated tools under developments
 - Use of CNN at different stages of the reconstruction (SFGD, HAT, global for example)
- **This works is key for HK era to better understand systematics (beam upgrade, HK..)**

A lot of interesting results to come!

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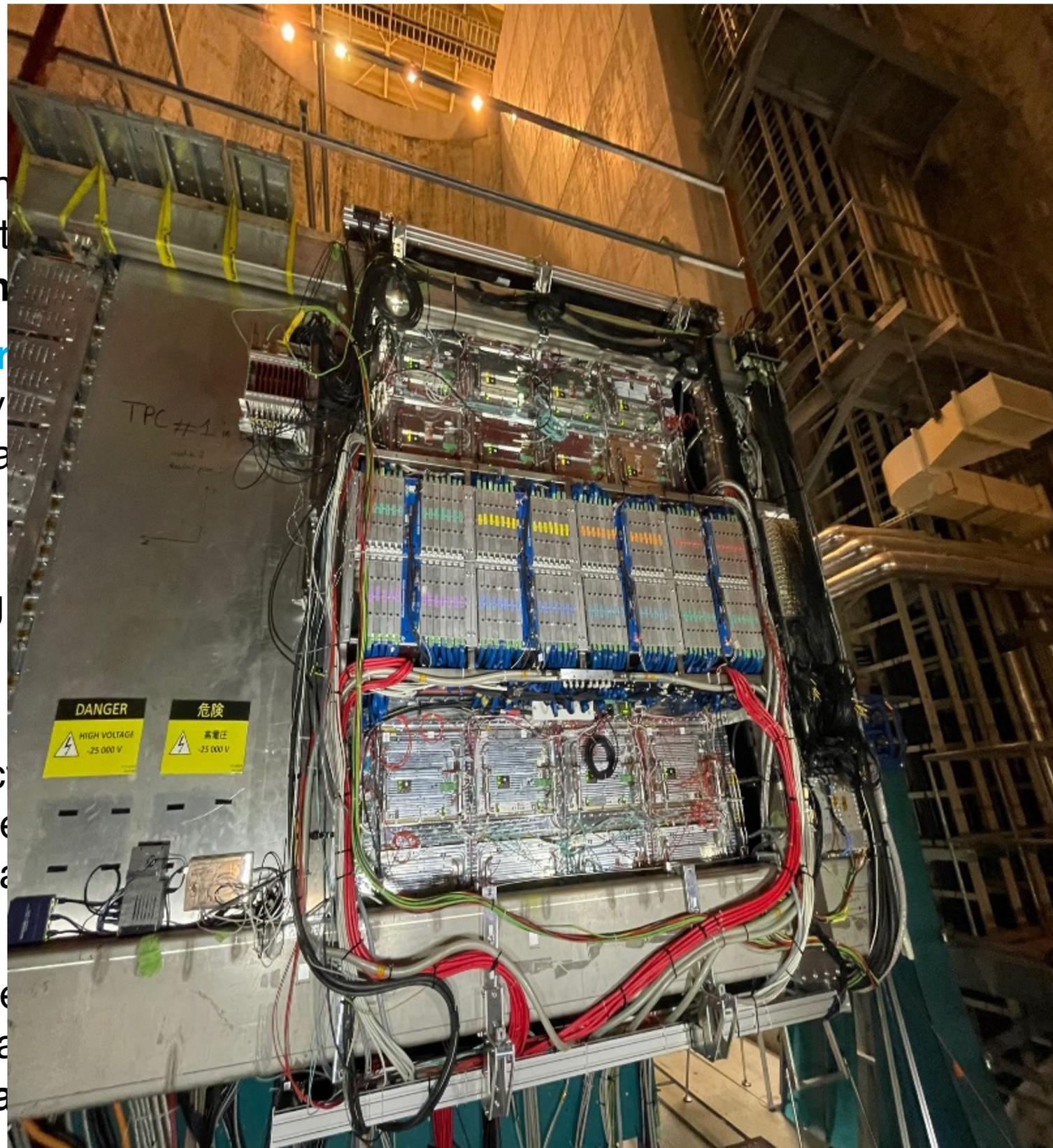
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Thank you!