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Super Tau-Charm Facility

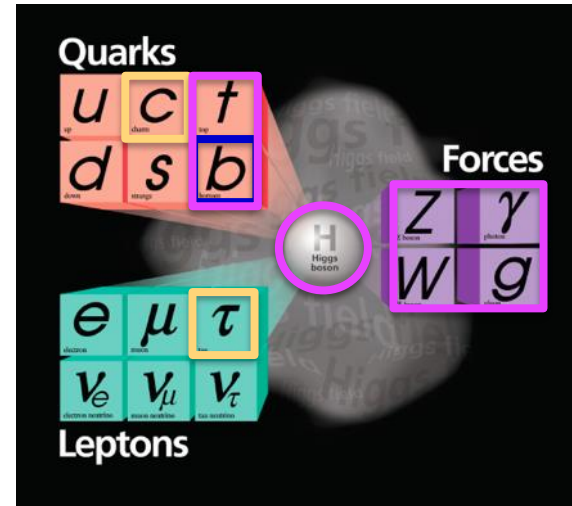
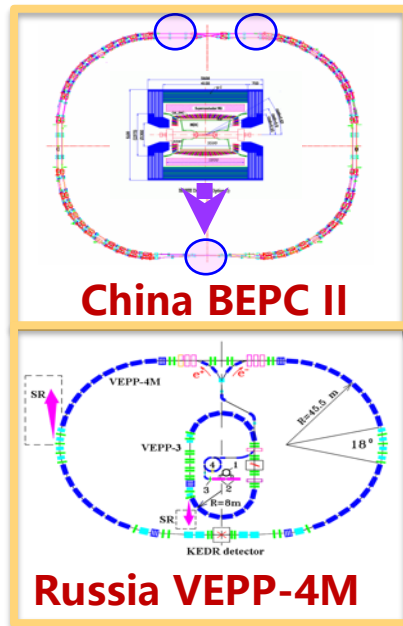
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Particle Physics with Colliders



BEPCII, STCF/SCTF, SKEKB

Precision Frontier

hadron structure, exotic states, nature of strong interaction, flavor physics & CPV ...

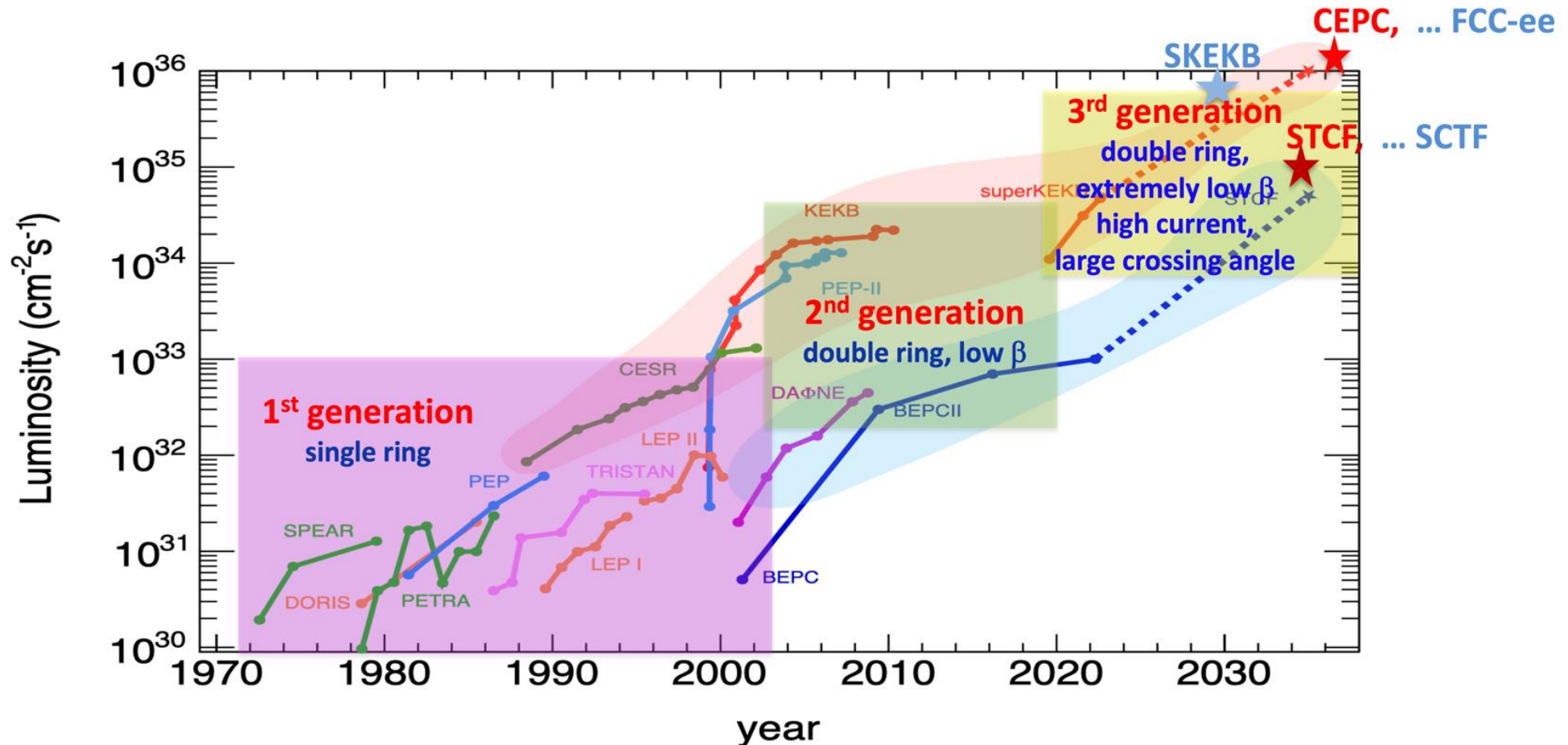
LHC, ILC/CLIC, FCC, CEPC-SPPC

Energy Frontier

origin of mass, nature of EWSB, new physics with Higgs, SUSY, Dark matter, universe evolution ...

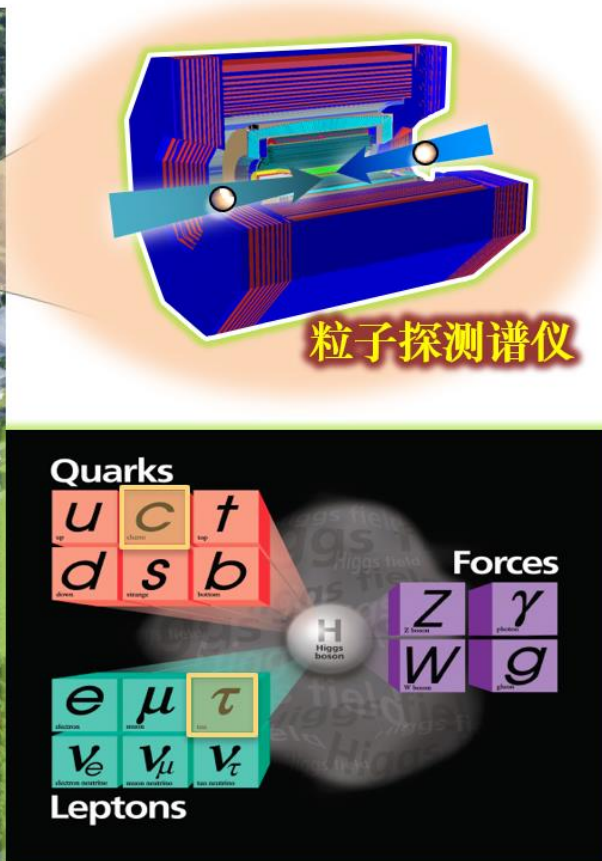
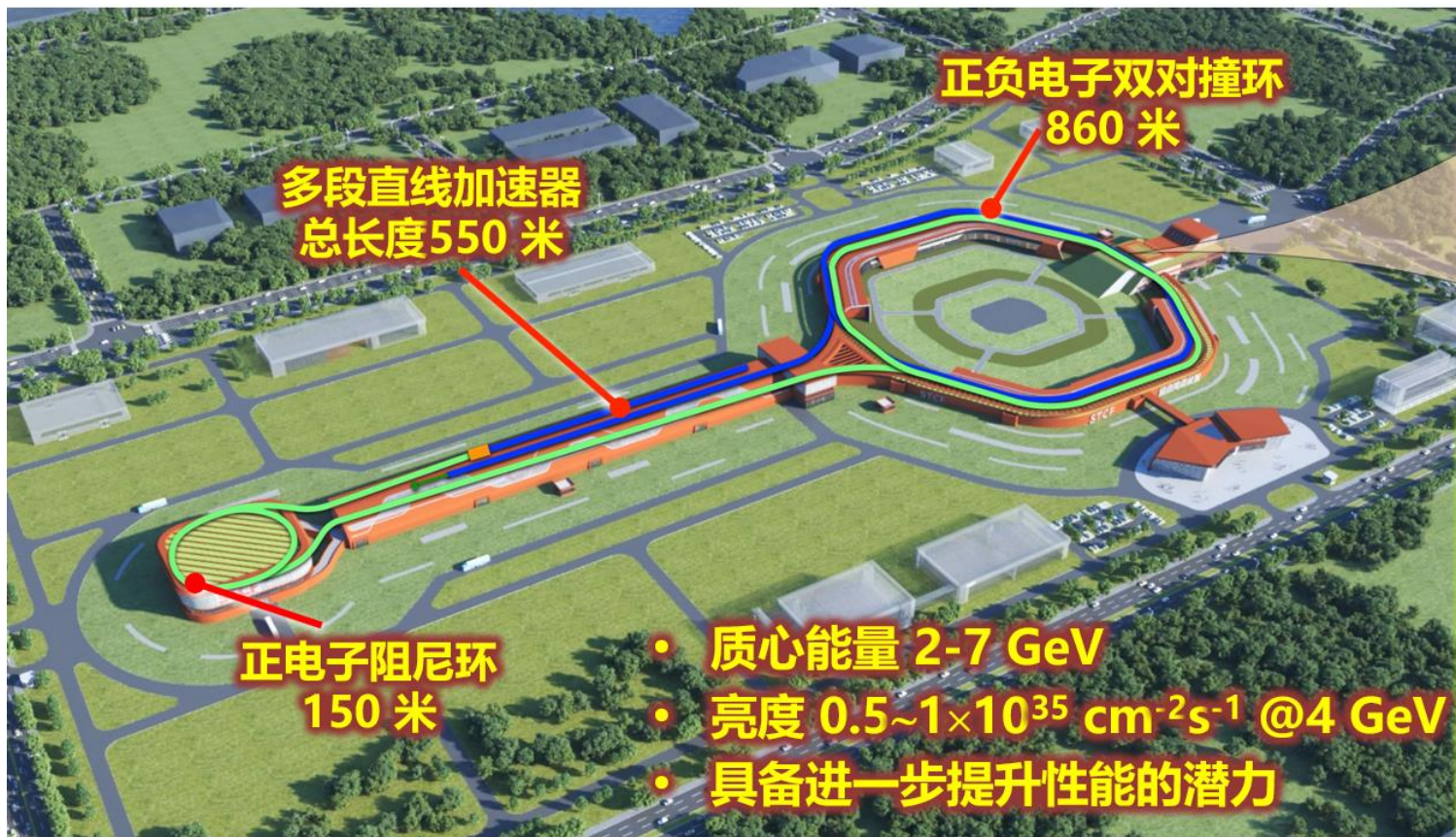
In-depth exploration at both precision and energy frontiers is called for more than ever in the post Higgs era

Evolution of e+e- Colliders



- e+e- colliders are entering the era of 3rd generation, playing pivotal roles at both frontiers

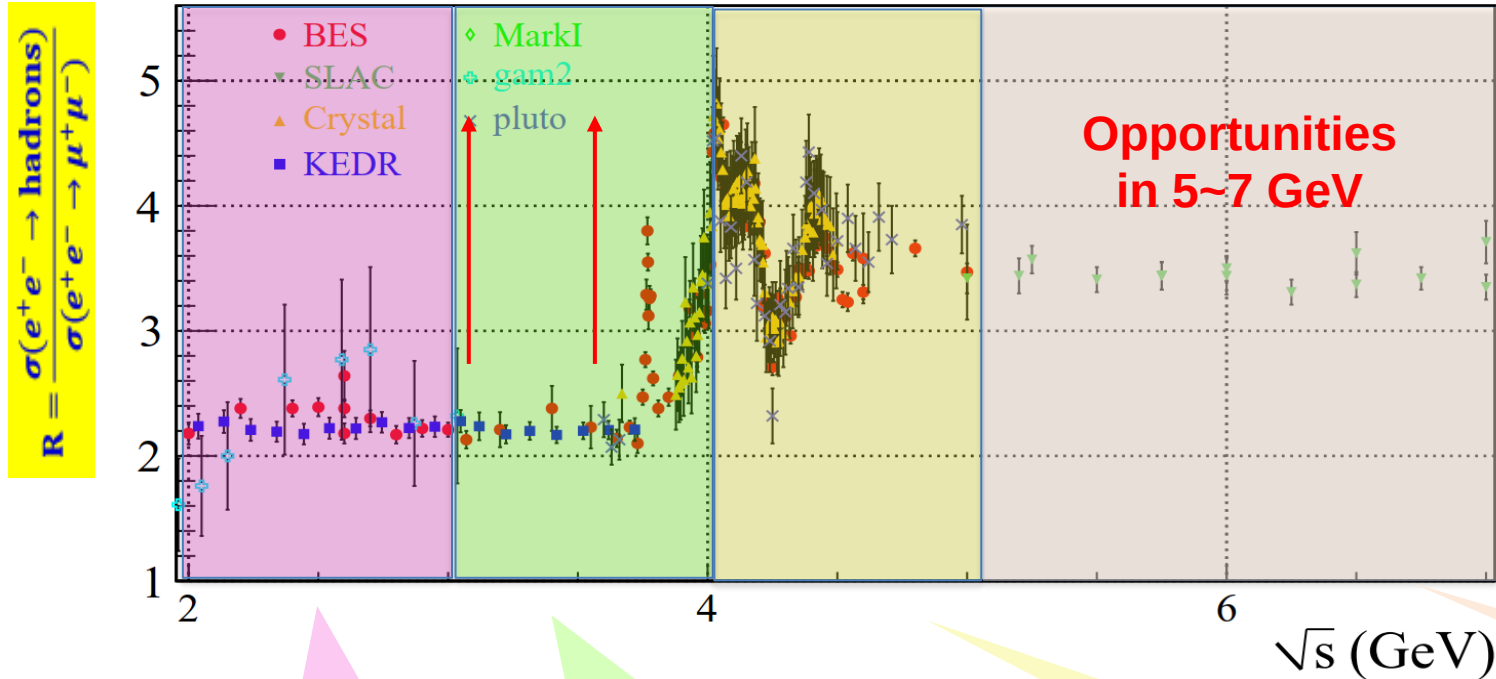
Super Tau-Charm Facility (STCF)



STCF, a flagship collider at the **precision frontier**, can produce a large number of clean tau leptons and hadrons, allowing full exploration of the unique physics potential in the tau-charm energy region: QCD, hadron physics, flavor physics ...

Building upon China's great success and well-established international position in tau-charm physics (**B**eijing **E**lectron-**P**ositron **C**ollider / **BEPC**)

Unique Tau-Charm Energy Region



- **Transition** region between perturbative and non-perturbative QCD
- **Pair production** of hadrons and τ leptons **at threshold** and/or **with quantum correlation**
- Abundant **resonances**
- Large production X-sec for **charmonium**(-like) states and **exotic** states

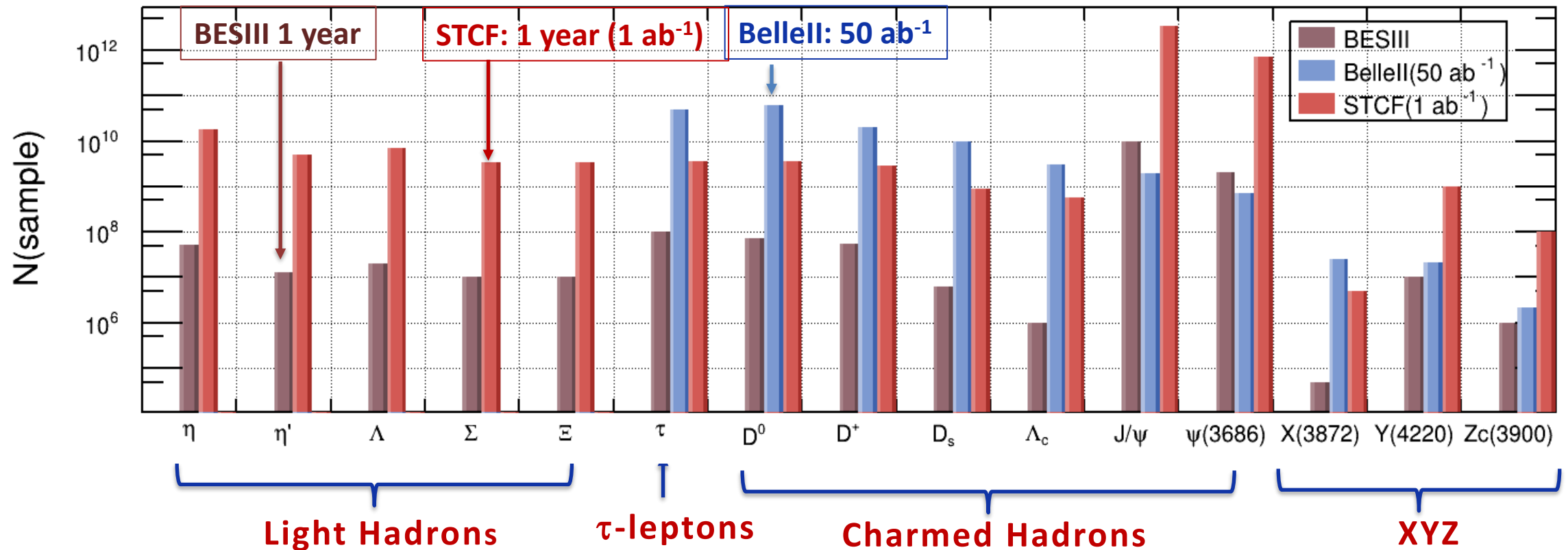
- Hadron form factors
- $Y(2170)$ resonance
- Multiquark states with s quark
- R value / g-2 related

- Light hadron spectroscopy
- Gluonic and exotic states
- Processes of LFV and CPV
- Rare and forbidden decays
- Physics with τ lepton

- XYZ particles
- Physics with D mesons
- f_D and f_{D_s}
- $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing
- Charm baryons

- Complete XYZ family
- Hidden-charm pentaquarks
- Search for di-charmonium states
- More charmed baryons
- Hadron fragmentation

STCF: A Super Factory of Various Particles



- STCF is not only a super τ -charm factory, but also a super factory of XYZ, hyperons and light hadrons to unravel the **mystery of how quarks form matter** and study the **symmetries of fundamental interactions** with unprecedented precision

Scientific Questions and Objectives

Symmetry breaking in
fundamental interactions
Origin of matter-antimatter
imbalance

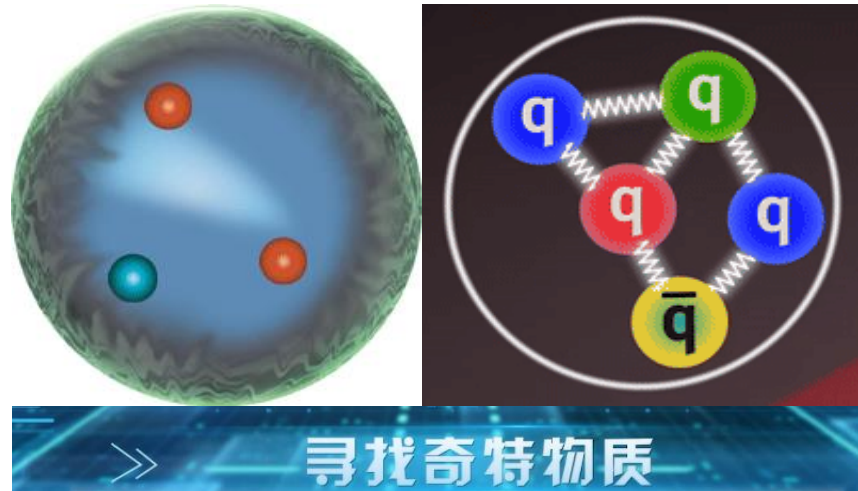
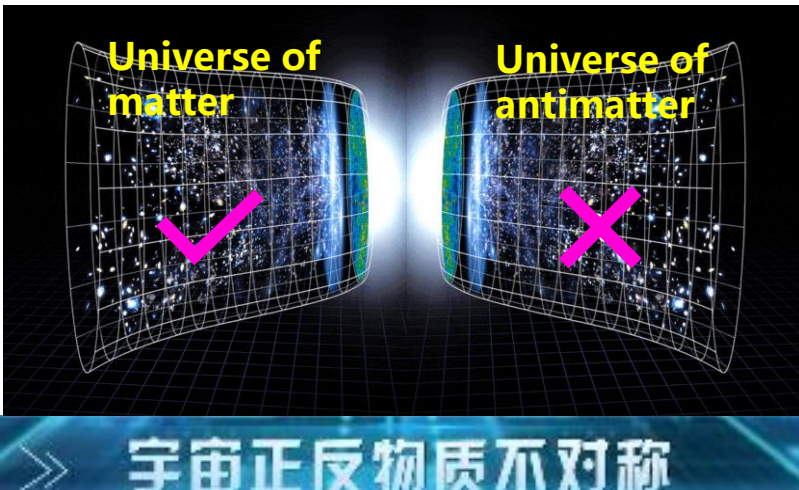
**Discovering CP violation in
hyperons**

Mystery of color confinement
in particle physics
Examining the structure of
nucleons

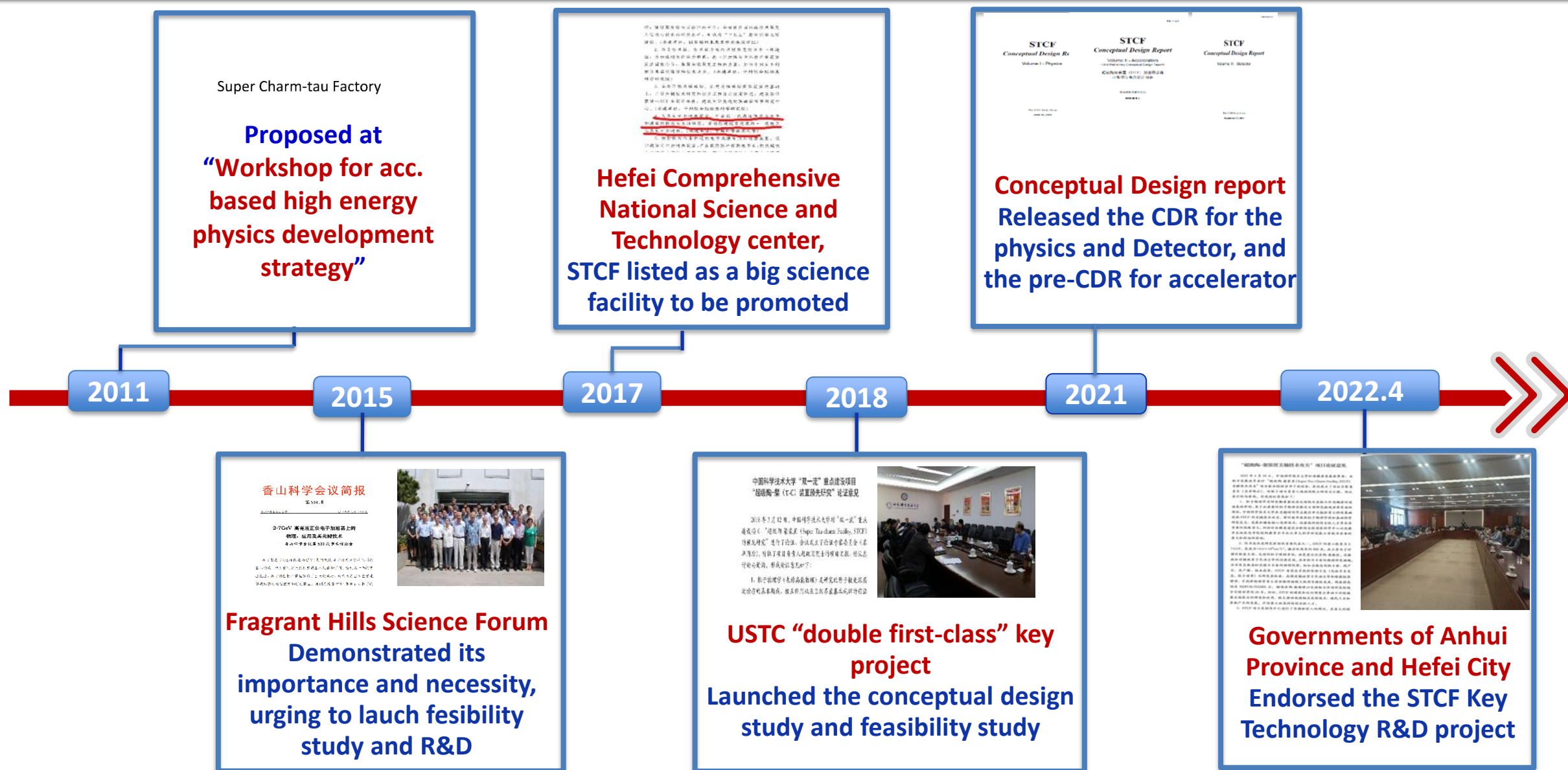
**Exploring how quarks and
gluons form hadrons**

Precision measurement of
fundamental parameters
Examining the Standard
Model

Searching for new physics



STCF Project Development



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R&D Project Review and Kick-Off Meetings



Kick-off Meeting, Aug. 2023, USTC

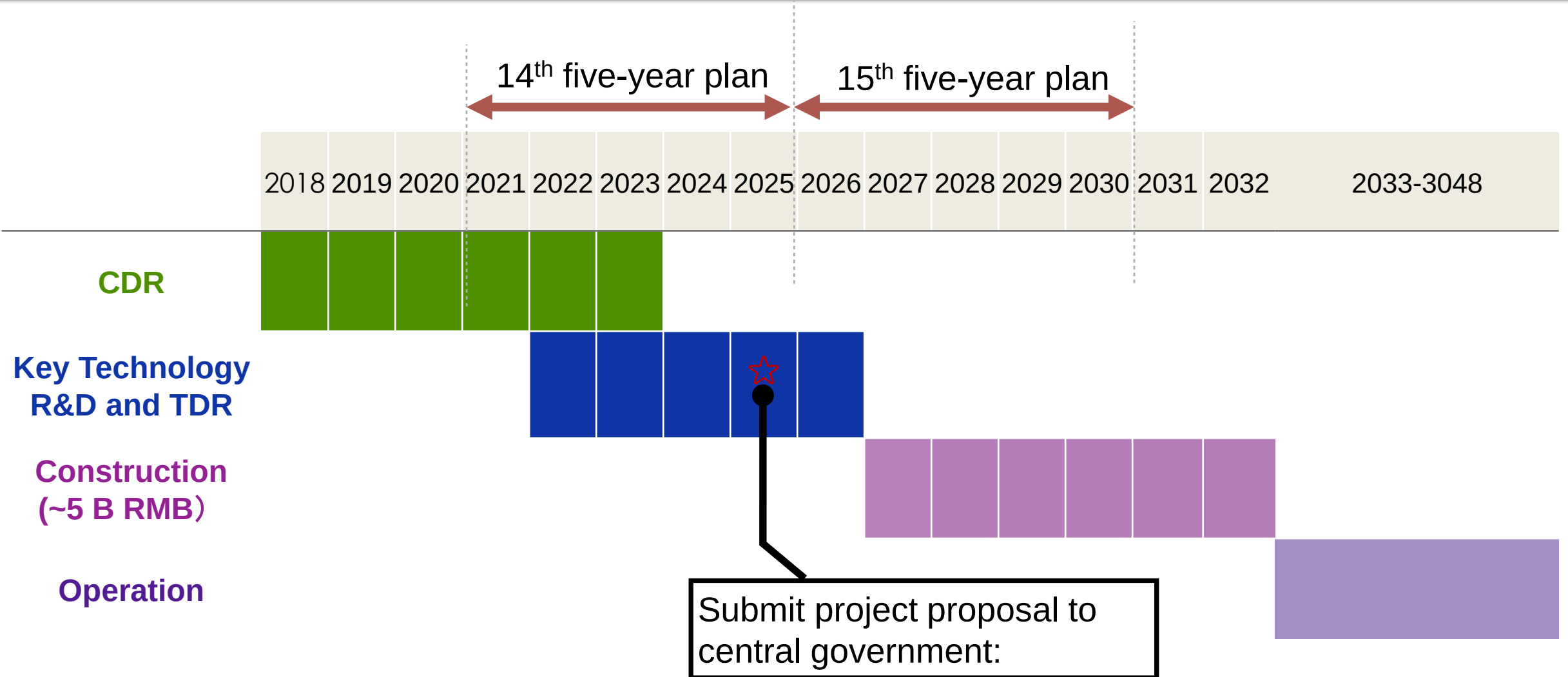
More than 30 academicians of CAS, as well as government officials of Anhui province and Hefei city, along with representatives from various domestic research institutions, totaling 170 attendees.



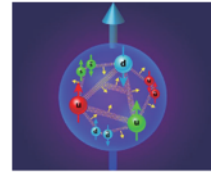
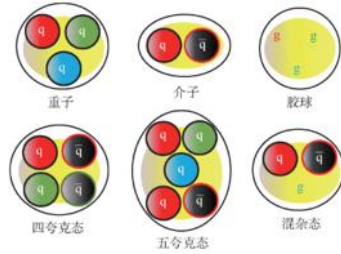
R&D Project Review, Dec. 2023, USTC

Organized by Development and Reform Commissions of Anhui province and Hefei city. The R&D project was approved for a total budget of **364 M RMB** and is jointly funded by Anhui, Hefei and USTC.

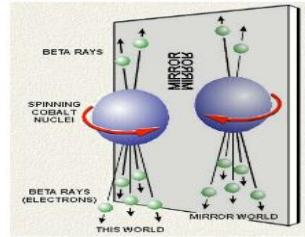
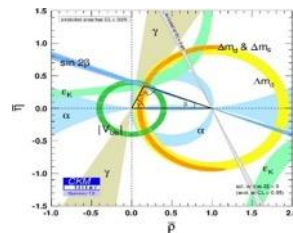
STCF Project Schedule



STCF Physics Program

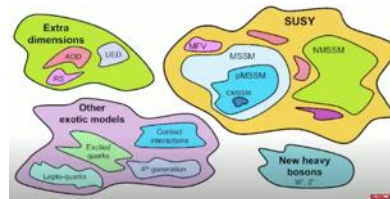


QCD and hadronic physics



Physics at STCF

Flavor Physics and CP Violation



Forbidden/Rare decay and New Particle

- **Leading role**
- Competing with Belle II/LHCb
- **Complementary to Belle II/LHCb/Eic/EicC**

XYZ Properties: $e+e- \rightarrow Y \rightarrow \gamma X, \eta X, \phi X$; $e+e- \rightarrow Y \rightarrow \pi Z c, K Z c s$

Hadron Spectroscopy: Excited $c\bar{c}$ and their transition, Charmed hadron spectroscopy, Light hadron spectroscopy

R value: $e+e- \rightarrow$ inclusive; τ mass: $e+e- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$

Nucleon Form Factors: $e+e- \rightarrow B \bar{B}$ from threshold

Pentaquarks: $e+e- \rightarrow J/\psi p \bar{p} \bar{p}$, $\Lambda_c \bar{D} \bar{p} \bar{p}$, $\Sigma_c \bar{D} \bar{p} \bar{p}$

Di-charmonium: $e+e- \rightarrow J/\psi \eta c, J/\psi h c$

Muon g-2: $e+e- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0, 4\pi, K^+ K^-, \gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta('), \pi^+ \pi^-$

Fragmentation functions: $e+e- \rightarrow (\pi, K, p, \Lambda, D) + X, e+e- \rightarrow (\pi \pi, K K, \pi K) + X$

CKM matrix (V_{cd}, V_{cs}): $D^-(s) \rightarrow l^- \nu, D \rightarrow P l^+ \nu$

Charm hadron decay: $\Lambda_c^+, \Sigma_c, \Xi_c, \Omega_c$ decay

CPV in Hyperons: $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}, \Sigma \bar{\Sigma}, \Xi^- \Xi^+ \bar{\Lambda}, \Xi^0 \Xi^0 \bar{\Lambda}$

D^0 - D^0 bar mixing: $\psi(3770) \rightarrow (D^0 D^0 \bar{\Lambda})(CP=-), \psi(4140) \rightarrow \pi^0 (D^0 D^0 \bar{\Lambda})(CP=-)$ or $\gamma(D^0 D^0 \bar{\Lambda})(CP=+)$

CPV in τ : $\tau \rightarrow K s \pi \nu$, EDM of τ , $\tau \rightarrow \pi/K \pi^0 \nu$ for polarized e^- beam

CPV in Charm: $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- / \pi^+ \pi^-$, $\Lambda_c \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+ \pi^0 / \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- / p K s \pi^+ \pi^-$

γ/ϕ^3 measurement: $D^0 \rightarrow K(s/L) \pi^+ \pi^-, K(s/L) K^+ K^-, K^3 \pi, 4\pi$

γ polarization: $D^0 \rightarrow K^1 e^+ \nu_e$

LVN, BNV: $D(s)^+ \rightarrow l^+ l^- X^-, J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda_c e^-, B \rightarrow B \bar{\Lambda} \dots$

Symmetry violation: $\eta(') \rightarrow l l \pi^0, \eta(') \rightarrow l l \dots$

FLV decays: $\tau \rightarrow \gamma l, l l, l P_1 P_2, J/\psi \rightarrow l l', D^0 \rightarrow l l' (l' \neq l) \dots$

FCNC: $D \rightarrow \gamma V, D^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-, e+e- \rightarrow D^* \dots, \Sigma^+ \rightarrow p l^+ l^- \dots$

Dark photon: $e+e- \rightarrow \gamma A' (\rightarrow l^+ l^-), J/\psi \rightarrow e+e- A' \dots$

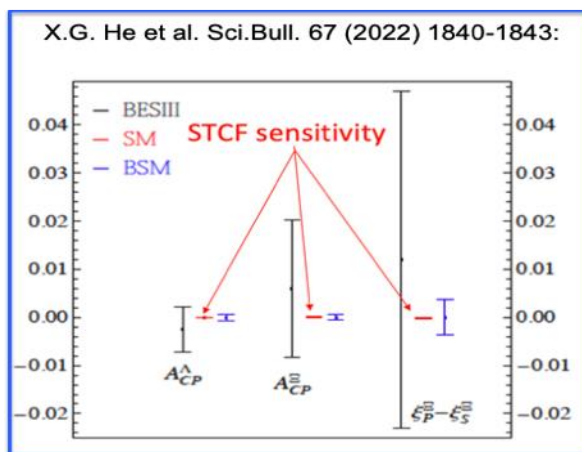
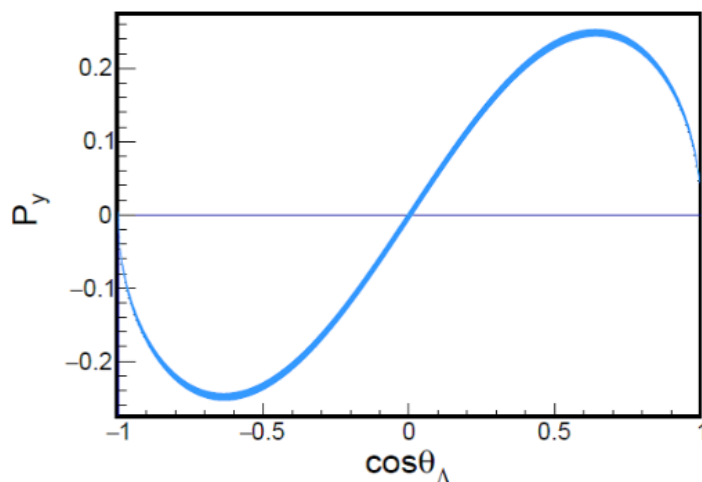
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(I) Tests of Fundamental Symmetries

- The discrete symmetries (C, P, T ...) play a crucial role in understanding natural laws
- There is experimental evidence of parity (P), time reversal (T), charge conjugation (C), and combined CP violation.
- STCF will enable more precise tests of symmetry-breaking properties and more sensitive searches for new symmetry breaking with huge numbers of K, τ , hyperons and charmed hadrons.
- STCF prospects:
 - CPV in hyperons and charmed hadrons
 - EDM of hyperons and tau
 - CLFV in tau and charmonium decays
 - CPT in neutral Kaon system

CP Violation in Hyperons

- CP violation observed in K, B, D mesons and B baryons, all consistent with CKM theory in SM
- Baryon asymmetry of the universe indicates the existence of non-SM CPV sources
- Only strange baryons and charm baryons remain unexplored for CP violation
- STCF has great potential for discovering **CPV in hyperons** using hyperon pairs in J/psi decays
- **Unique advantages at STCF:** quantum correlated, large statistics, clear environment



$$\sigma_{ACP} \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \sqrt{N_{sig}} \sqrt{\langle P_B^2 \rangle}}.$$

$$\frac{1 \times 10^9 \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}, \langle P_B^2 \rangle = 0.1}{\Rightarrow} \sigma_{ACP} \sim 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

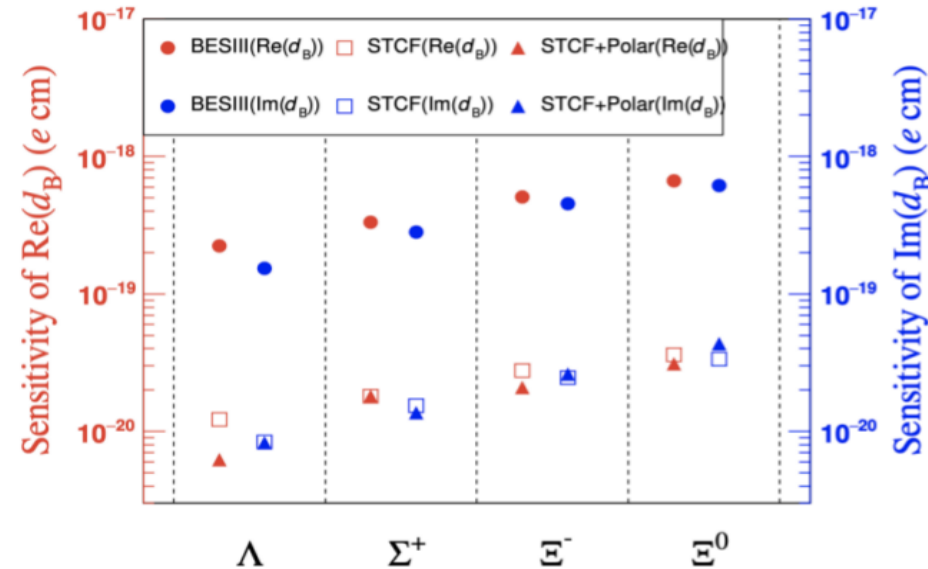
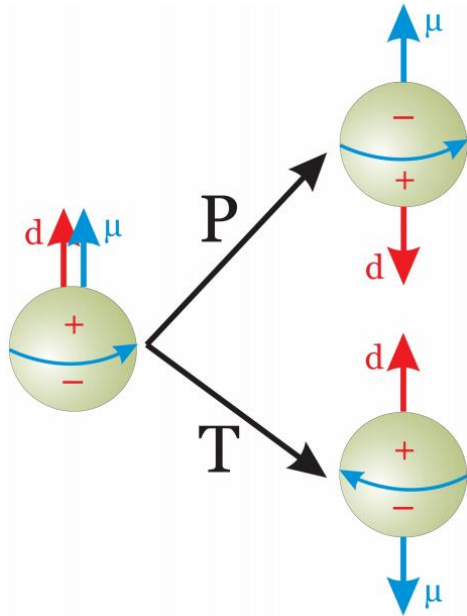
$$\frac{1 \times 10^9 \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}, \langle P_B^2 \rangle = 0.8}{\Rightarrow} \sigma_{ACP} \sim 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

Highest sensitivity on hyperon CPV in the world

EDM of Hyperons

- Non-zero EDM indicates T violation, and hence CP violation if CPT holds
- J/psi decays to hyperon pairs at STCF offer an excellent laboratory for in-direct measurement of hyperon EDM

μ : magnetic dipole moment
 d : electric dipole moment



(a) Sensitivity of $Re(d_B)$ and $Im(d_B)$

X.G.He, J.P. Ma, Phys.Lett.B 839(2023)137834

SM: $\sim 10^{-26}$ e cm

BESIII: milestone for hyperon EDM measurement
 Λ 10^{-19} e cm (FermiLab 10^{-16} e cm)
 first achievement for Σ^+ , Ξ^- and Ξ^0 at level of 10^{-19} e cm
 a litmus test for new physics

STCF: improved by 2 order of magnitude

Highest sensitivity on hyperon EDM in the world

Milestone in CPV studies at STCF

CP violation studies at Super tau-charm facility

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Abstract

Charge-parity (CP) violation in the tau-charm energy region is one of the promising areas to search for. The future tau-charm facility of next generation is designed to operate in a center-of-mass energy from 2.0 to 7.0 GeV with a peak luminosity of $0.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$. Huge amount of hadrons and tau (τ) leptons will be collected with good kinematic constraint and low-background environment. In this report, possibilities of CP violation studies in tau-charm energy region and at the future tau-charm facility are discussed from various aspects, i.e. in the production and decay of hyperons and τ lepton; in the decay of charmed hadrons. The CPT invariance test in $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$ mixing is also presented.

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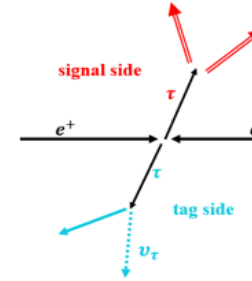
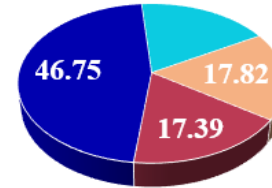
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Charged Lepton Flavor Violation

- Signal side: $\tau \rightarrow 3 \text{ leptons}$
- Tag side: $\tau \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}, \mu\nu\bar{\nu}, \pi\nu + n\pi^0$ ($Br = 82\%$)
- Almost background free, sensitivity : $\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu) \sim 1/\mathcal{L}$
- Best efficiency ($\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$): 22.5% (including the tag $\mathcal{BF}$)

$$\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu) < \frac{N_{UL}^{90}}{2\varepsilon N_{\tau\tau}} \sim 1.4 \times 10^{-9}$$

■ electronic ■ muonic
■ pionic 1-prong ■ others



Model	Ref.	$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$	$\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$
SM + heavy majorana	PRD 66.034008	10^{-9}	10^{-10}
Non-universal Z'	PLB 547(3)252	10^{-9}	10^{-8}
SUSY + seesaw	PRL 89:241802	10^{-10}	10^{-7}
SM + 4 th generation	arXiv.1006.5306	10^{-8}	10^{-8}

- The cLFV decays of vector mesons $V \rightarrow l_i l_j$ are also predicted in various of extension models of SM:

$$\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(J/\psi \rightarrow e\mu) < 10^{-13}$$

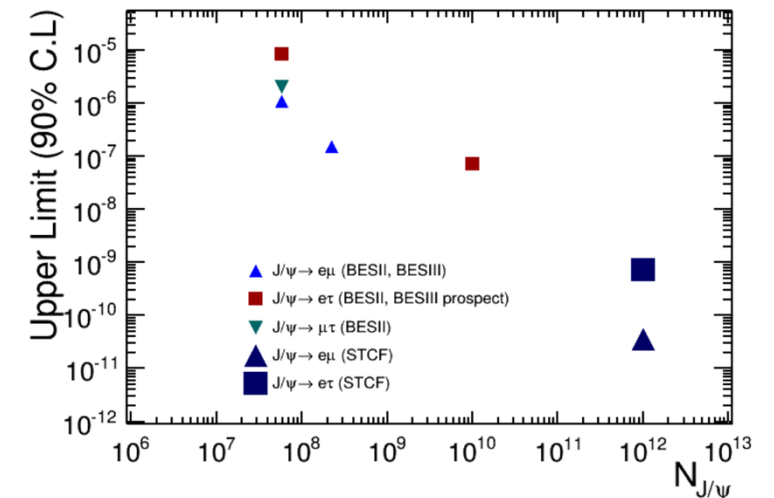
$$\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(J/\psi \rightarrow e(\mu)\tau) < 10^{-9}$$

- At STCF, 1 trillion J/ψ can be obtained in one year, taken efficiency from BESIII, the upper limit is predicted to be:

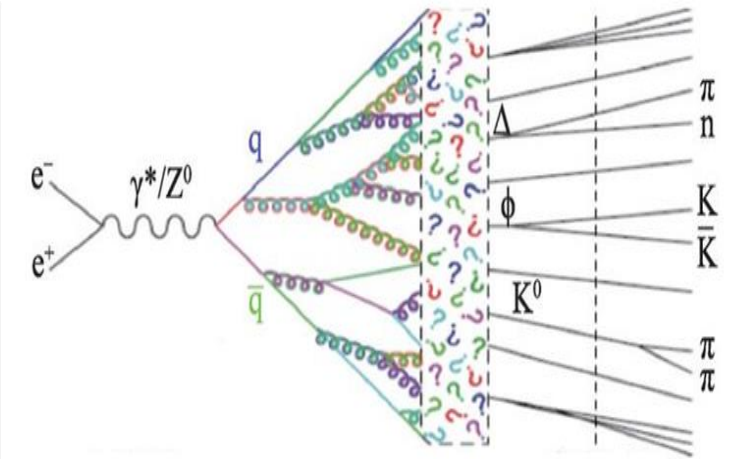
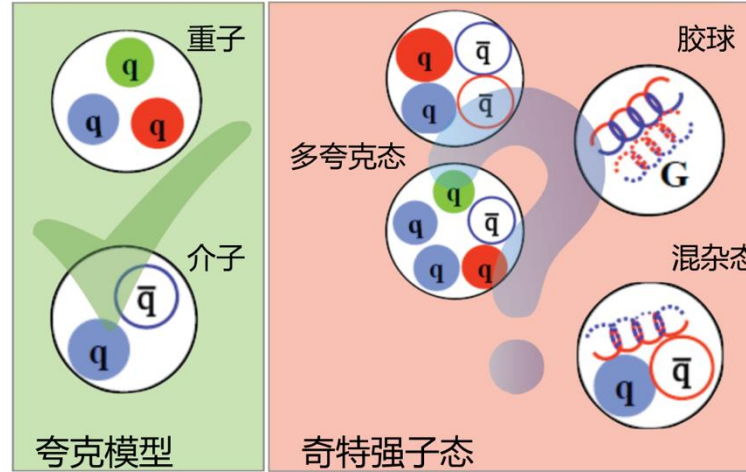
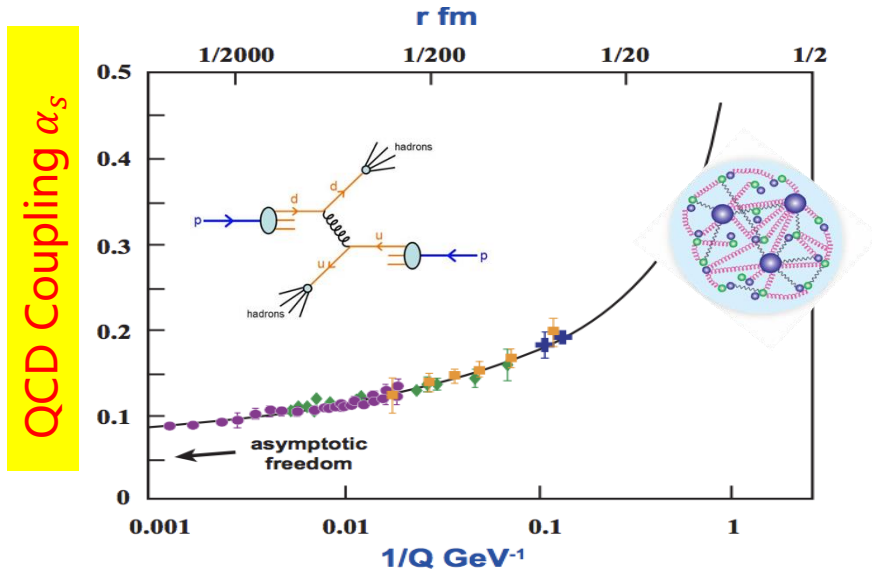
$$\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(J/\psi \rightarrow e\mu) < 3.6 \times 10^{-11}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(J/\psi \rightarrow e\tau) < 7.1 \times 10^{-10}$$

- The $\mathcal{B}_{UL}^{90}(J/\psi \rightarrow e\tau)$ can be further optimized with better PID.



(II) Studies of Quark Confinement

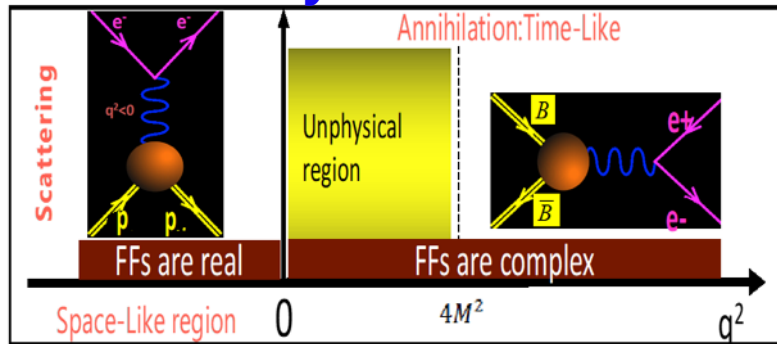


- Unraveling the mechanism of quark confinement requires comprehensive studies of **hadron spectroscopy**, hadron **production**, hadron **decays**, and hadron **structure**.
- The STCF will produce vast quantities of **charmed hadrons** and **light flavor hadrons**, enabling these studies to deeply explore how quarks and gluons form hadrons and how quark confinement shapes their internal structures.

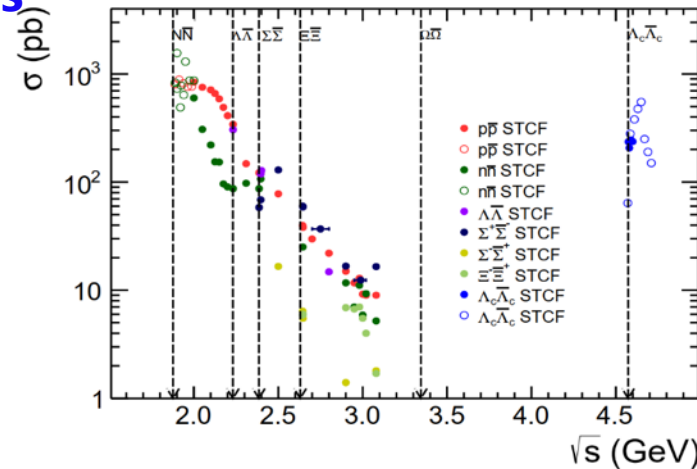
Hadron Production

Hadron production at STCF is a key avenue for studies of EM form factors and fragmentation functions

Nucleons/Baryons EM form factors

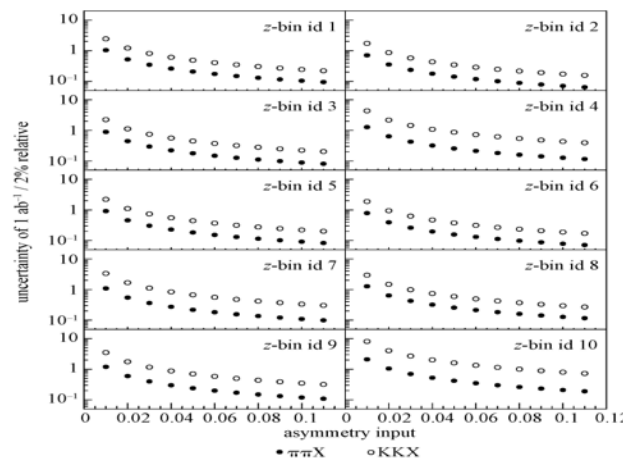
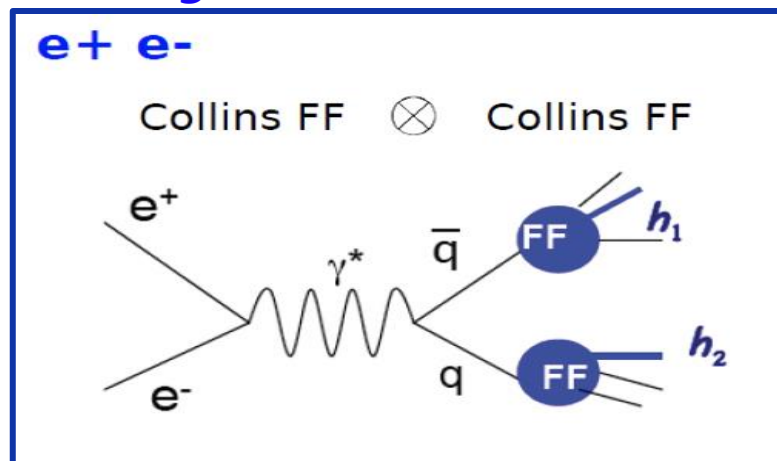


Eic/EicC $\longleftrightarrow$ STCF



STCF will improve the measurement precision by 2 orders of magnitude, revealing the near-threshold cross section singularity and mystery of G_E and G_M

Fragmentation Functions

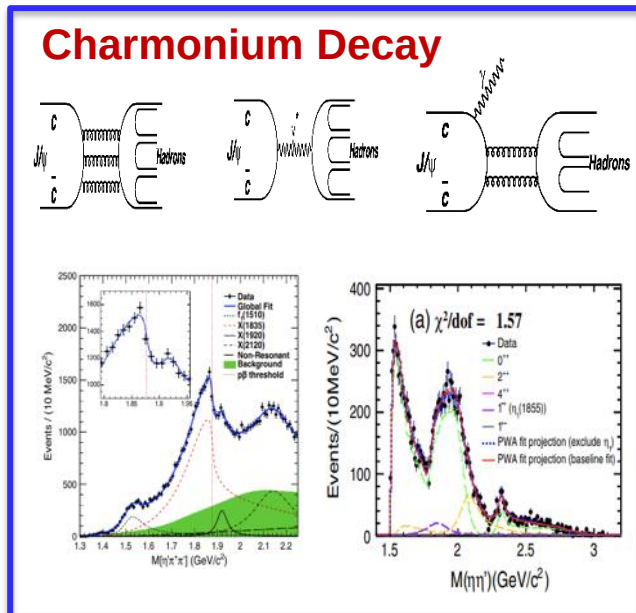
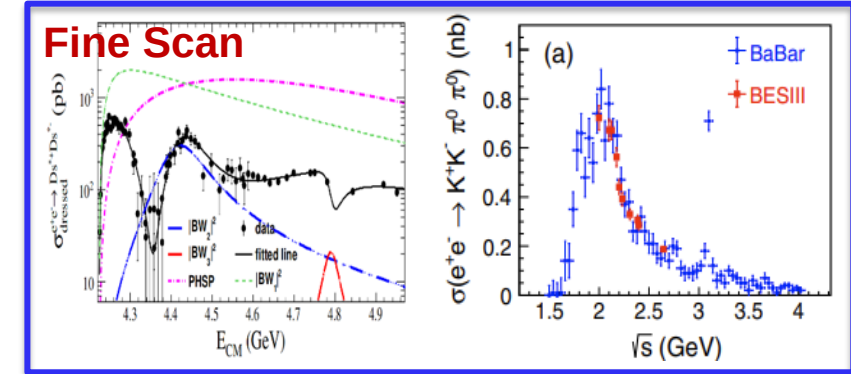
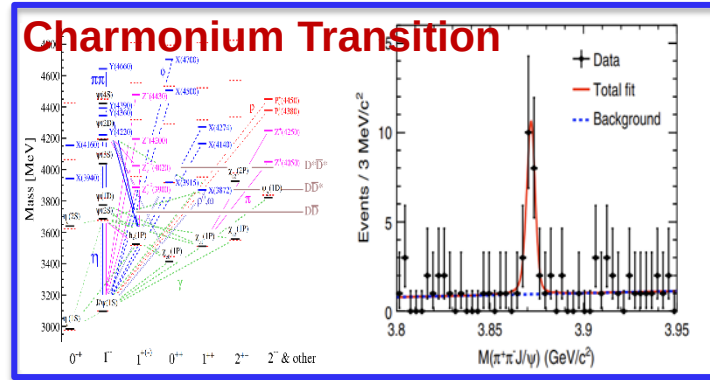
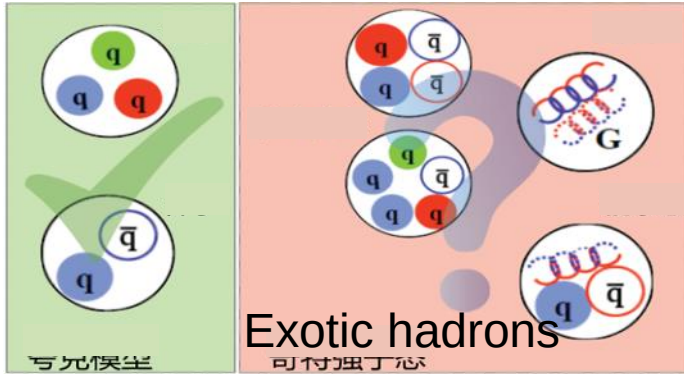


Most precise FFs in q^2 range 4-50 GeV^2 with multi-dimensional binning and important input for TMD extraction at EIC/EicC

Precise test the universality of FFs in different processes, and its evolution with q^2

Hadron Spectroscopy and Exotic States

A **unique** territory for the QCD confinement



A Charmonium(-like) factory (per year):

- 3T J/ψ, 0.6T ψ(3686), 1B Y(4230), 100M Z_c(3900) and 5M X(3872)

Physics opportunities :

- Energy dependent structures of Z_{c(s)}
- More XYZ states → spectroscopy
- Missing Charmonium states and their transitions
- Glueballs and hybrid states

STCF has an **dominant advantage** in studying hadron spectroscopy and exotic states, and is expected to make **significant breakthroughs**

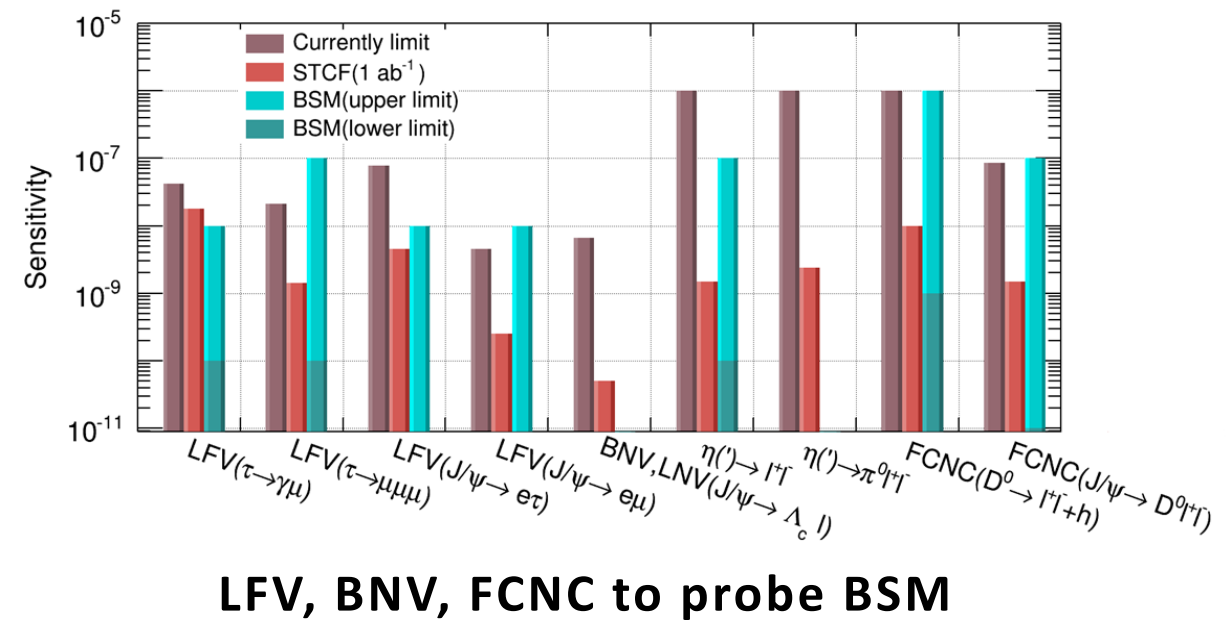
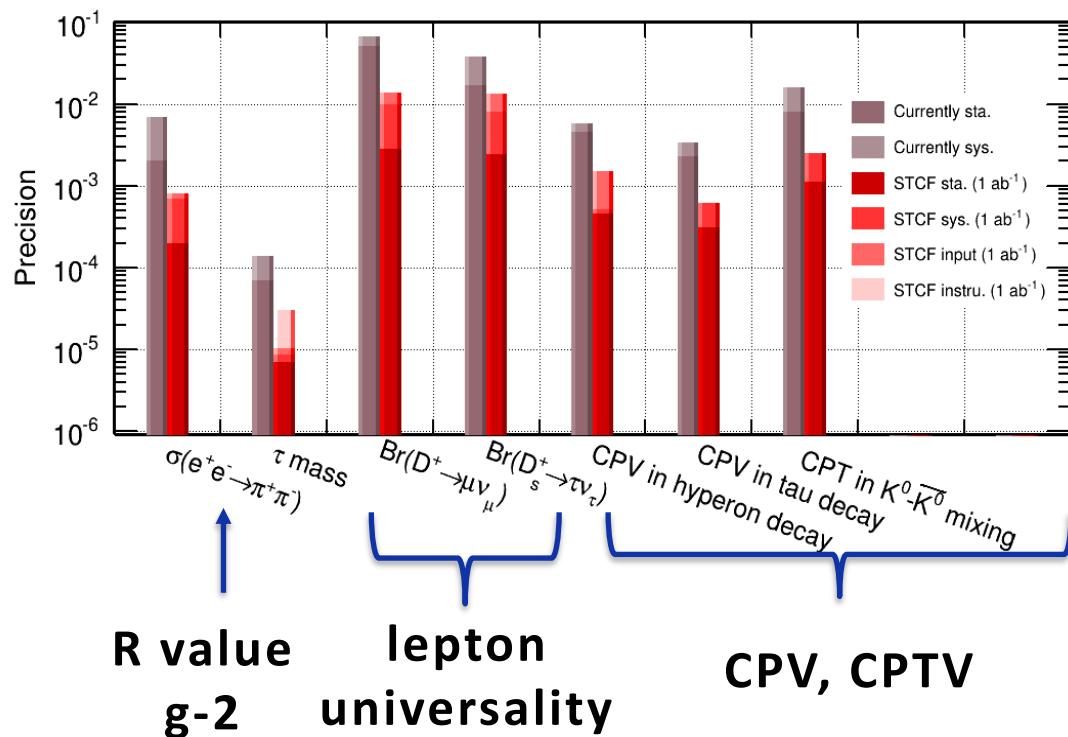
(III) Measurements of Fundamental Physics Parameters

- **Essential for testing SM and searching for new physics**
- STCF enables high-precision measurements:
 - **R-value**: A fundamental quantity reflecting quark flavors/colors, with implications for new particle searches and theoretical inputs (e.g., fine-structure constant, muon g-2)
 - **Tau lepton mass**: Critical for testing lepton universality
 - **CKM matrix unitarity and triangle** : Violations could hint at a fourth quark generation
 - **Strong coupling constant (α_s)** : Directly impacts Higgs/EW/top quark predictions and vacuum stability studies

Observable	BESIII (2020)	Belle II (50 ab ⁻¹)	STCF (1 ab ⁻¹)
<i>Charmonium(like) spectroscopy:</i>			
Luminosity between 4–5 GeV	20 fb ⁻¹	0.23 ab ⁻¹	1 ab ⁻¹
<i>Collins fragmentation functions:</i>			
Asymmetry in $e^+e^- \rightarrow KK + X$	0.3 [470]	–	< 0.002 [471]
<i>CP violations:</i>			
A_{CP} in hyperon	0.014 [26]	–	0.00023
A_{CP} in τ	–	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})/\sqrt{70}$ [251]	0.0009 [250]
<i>Leptonic decays of $D(s)$:</i>			
V_{cd}	0.03 [472]	–	0.0015
f_D	0.03	–	0.0015
$\frac{\mathcal{B}(D \rightarrow \tau \nu)}{\mathcal{B}(D \rightarrow \mu \nu)}$	0.2	–	0.005
V_{cs}	0.02 [473]	0.005	0.0015
f_{D_s}	0.02	0.005	0.0015
$\frac{\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \tau \nu)}{\mathcal{B}(D_s \rightarrow \mu \nu)}$	0.04	0.009	0.0038
<i>D mixing parameter:</i>			
x	–	0.03	0.05 [474]
y	–	0.02	0.05
<i>τ properties:</i>			
m_τ (MeV/ c^2)	0.12 [475]	–	0.012
d_τ (e cm)	–	2.02×10^{-19}	5.14×10^{-19}
<i>cLFV decays of τ (U.L. at 90% C.L.):</i>			
$\tau \rightarrow lll$	–	1×10^{-9}	1.4×10^{-9}
$\tau \rightarrow \gamma \mu$	–	5×10^{-9}	1.8×10^{-8}
$J/\psi \rightarrow e\tau$	7.5×10^{-8}	–	7.1×10^{-10}

Precision Measurements and Rare Decays

- STCF is expected to improve the current precisions of many important measurements by ~ 1 order of magnitude and enhance sensitivities to various rare or forbidden decays by ~ 2 orders of magnitude
- Great potential to reveal new physics



STCF Conceptual Design Studies

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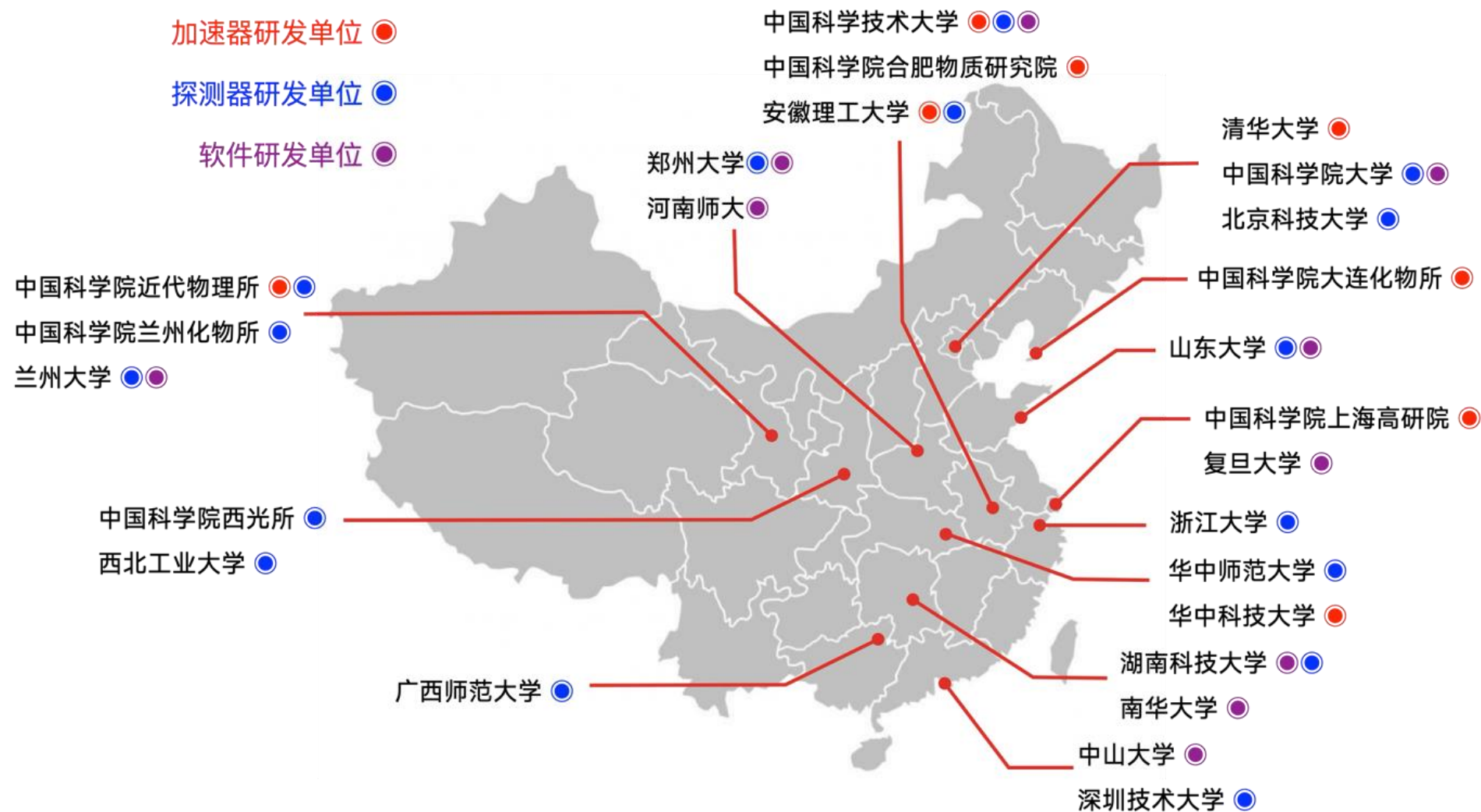
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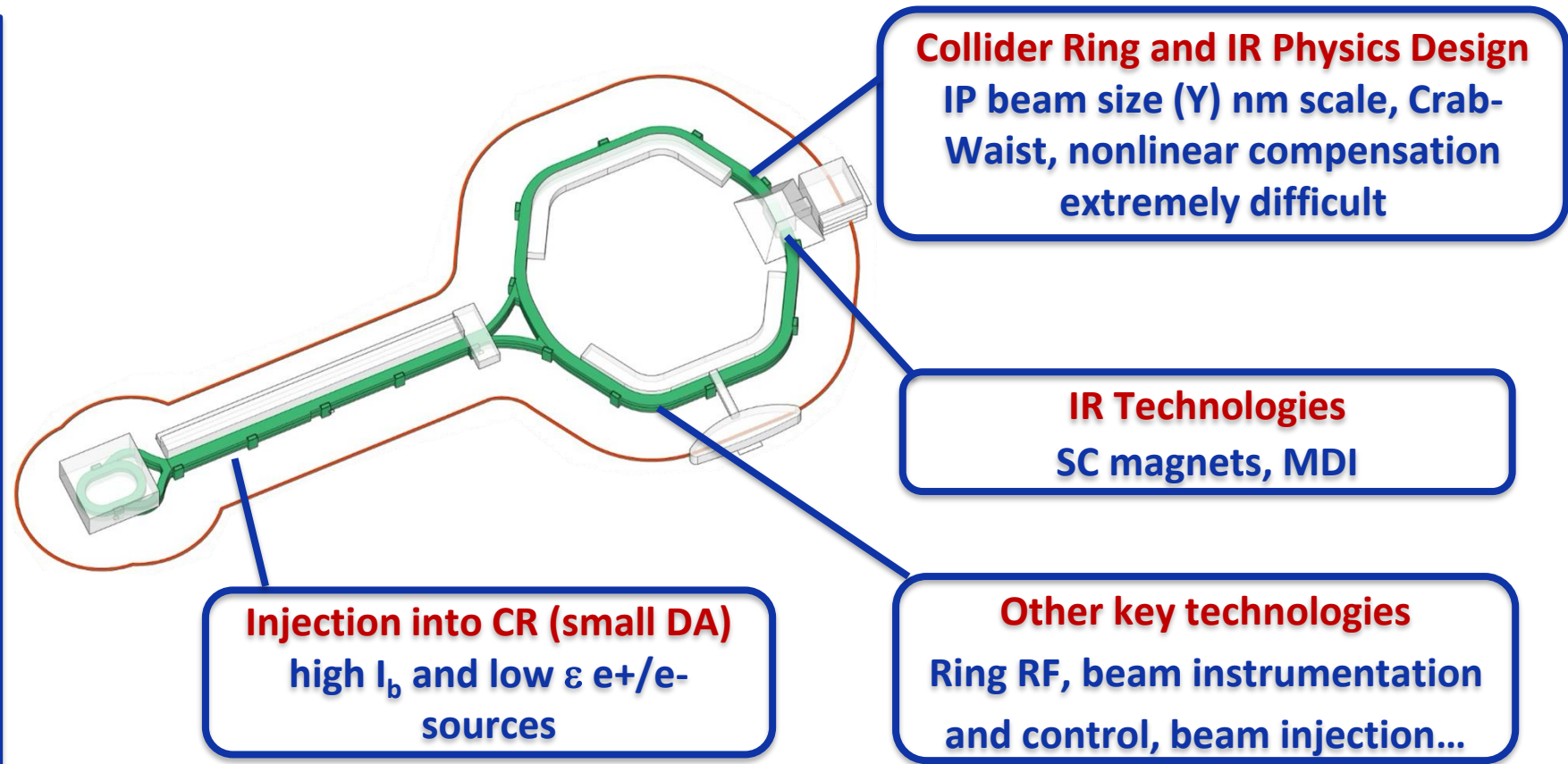
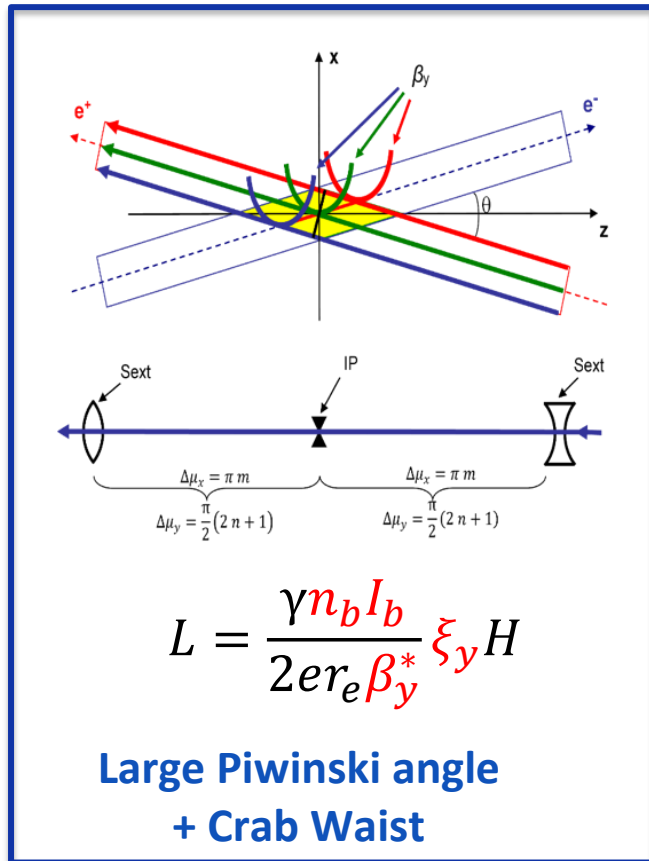
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Challenges of STCF Accelerator

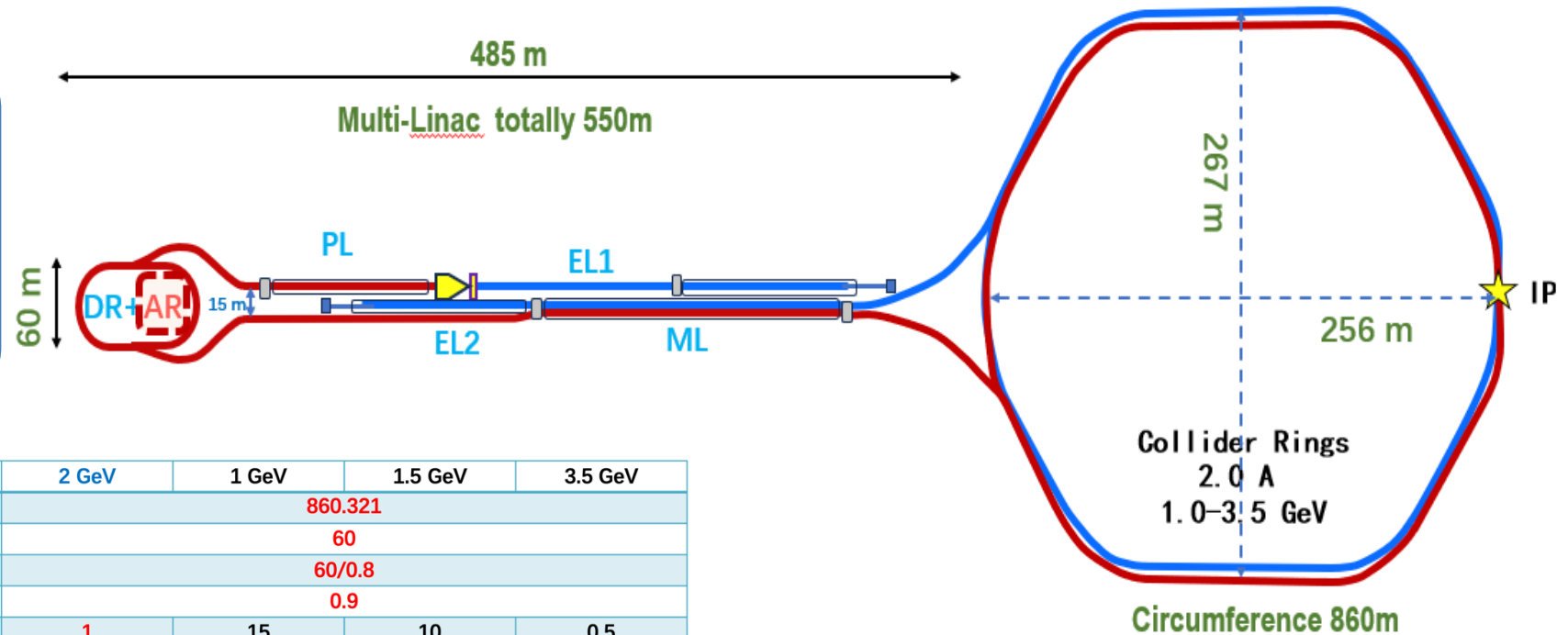
- Ultra-high luminosity in the tau charm energy region, high-quality beam, stable operation
- Characterized by extremely small bunch size, high beam current, strong nonlinearity and collective effects



STCF Accelerator Conceptual Design

Injector:

- full-energy linac
- positron DR or AR for different injection modes: off-axis(baseline), swap-out



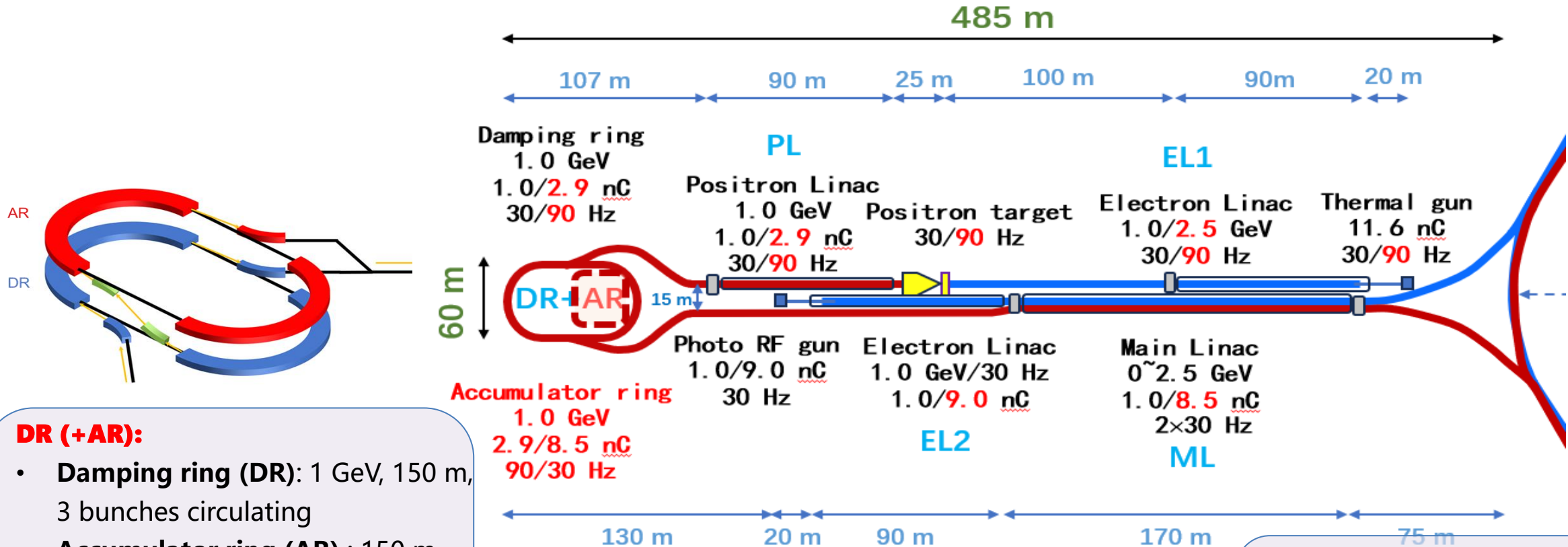
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Circumference, C	m	860.321			
Crossing angle, 2θ	mrad	60			
Hor./Ver. beta function at IP, β_x^*/β_y^*	mm	60/0.8			
L^*	m	0.9			
Ratio, $\varepsilon_y/\varepsilon_x$	%	1	15	10	0.5
Hor./Ver. betatron tune		30.543/34.58	30.555/34.57		
Beam current, I	A	2	1.1	1.7	2
Hori. emittance (SR/DW+IBS)	nm	8.79/4.63	2.2/5.42	4.94/3.82	26.9/26.91
Momentum compaction factor, α_p	10^{-3}	1.35	1.26	1.32	1.37
Energy spread (DW+IBS)	10^{-4}	7.8	6.18	6.93	10.02
Energy loss per turn (SR+DW), U_0	keV	543	106	267	1494
SR power per beam (SR+DW), P	MW	1.086	0.117	0.453	2.988
RF voltage	MV	2.5	0.75	1.2	6
Synchrotron tune, ν_s		0.0194	0.0146	0.0154	0.0228
δ_{RF}	%	1.68	1.44	1.35	1.88
Bunch length (Nature/0.1Ω+IBS)	mm	7.21/8.70	6.62/9.79	7.89/8.56	8.26/8.89
Hor./Ver. beam-beam parameter, ξ_x/ξ_y		0.005/0.095	0.005/0.023	0.004/0.033	0.003/0.032
Luminosity	$\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$	9.4E+34	6.19E+33	2.09E+34	4.48E+34

Double-Ring Collider

- low emittance
- high current
- large Piwinski angle
- Crab-waist collision scheme

Injector Design

Design compatible with both off-axis and swap-out injection schemes



DR (+AR):

- **Damping ring (DR):** 1 GeV, 150 m, 3 bunches circulating
- **Accumulator ring (AR):** 150 m stacked over DR
- **Operation:** off-axis (DR); swap-out (DR+AR)

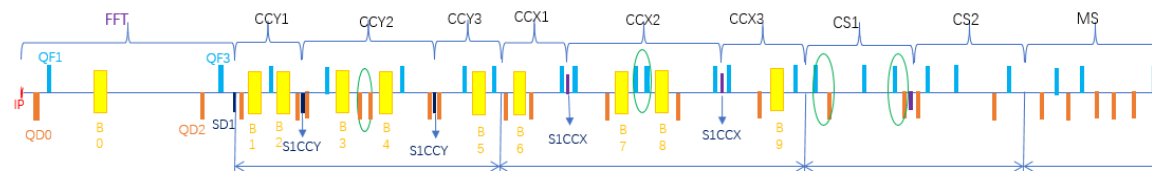
e^+ and e^- beams at exit.:

- 1-3.5 GeV, 30 Hz
- 1 nC for off-axis
- 8.6 nC for swap-out

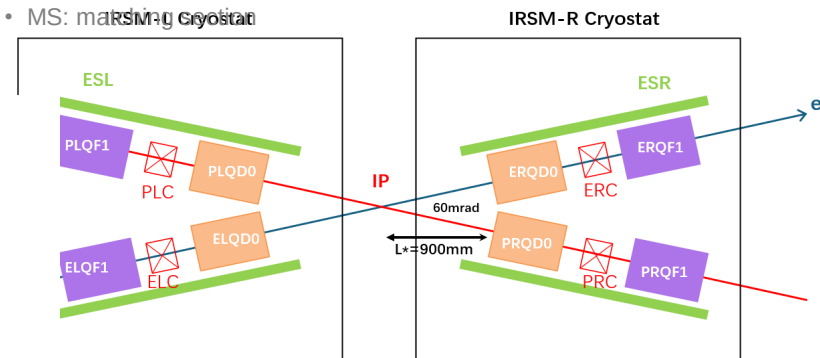
Collider Rings Design

IR design

- Length~200 m, bending 60°
- Crossing angle: 60 mrad
- β_y^* : 0.8 mm
- CCT SC quadrupole magnets

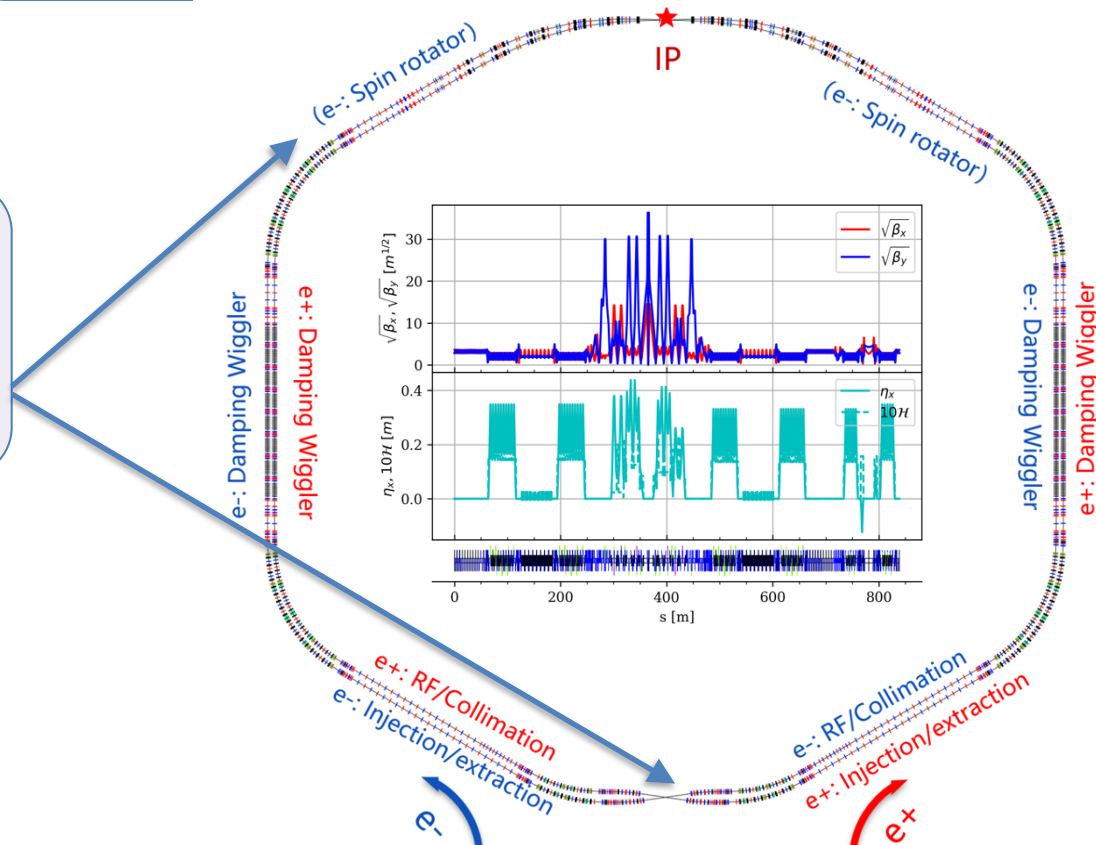


- FFT: final focus telescope
- CCY/CCX: local chromaticity correction
- CS: crab sextupoles
- MS: main ring cryostat



Space reserved for upgrades:

- Spin rotator
- Second IP



Damping Wiggler

- Adjusting damping time, energy spread, emittance

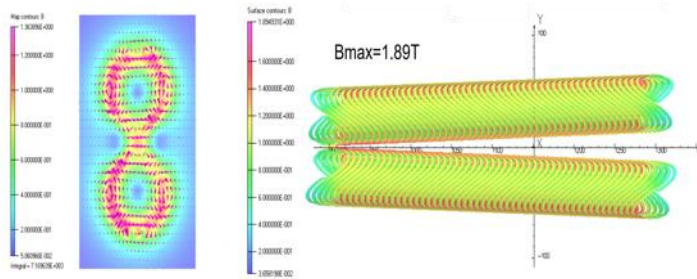
RF cavity

- RT TM020-mode cavity

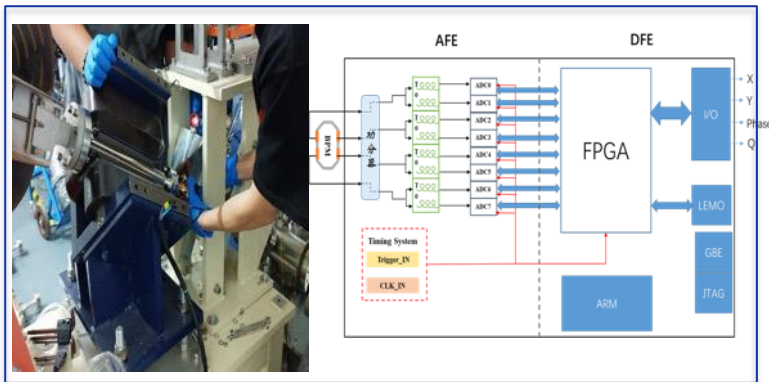
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IR SC Magnets

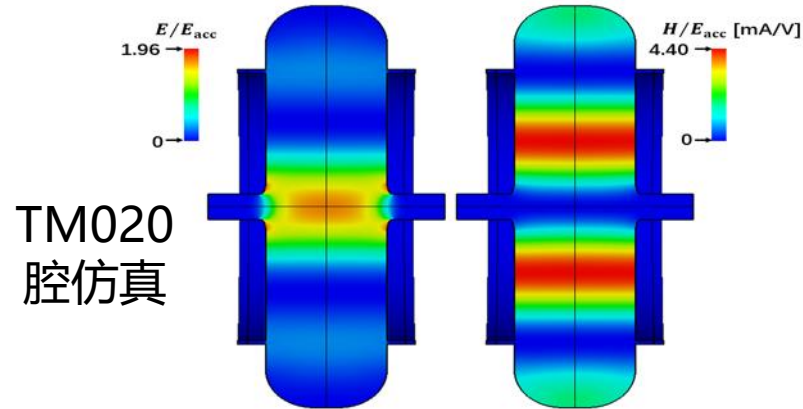
Very constrained Space, 50T/m,
CCT technology



Bunch by bunch 3D beam position measurement



Room-temperature RF cavity



Low-level RF control system

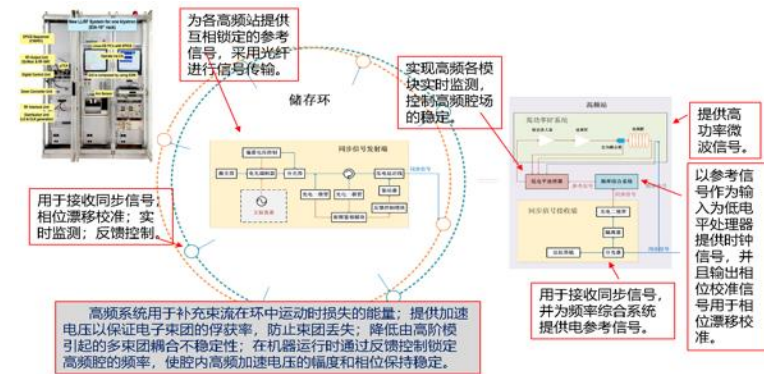
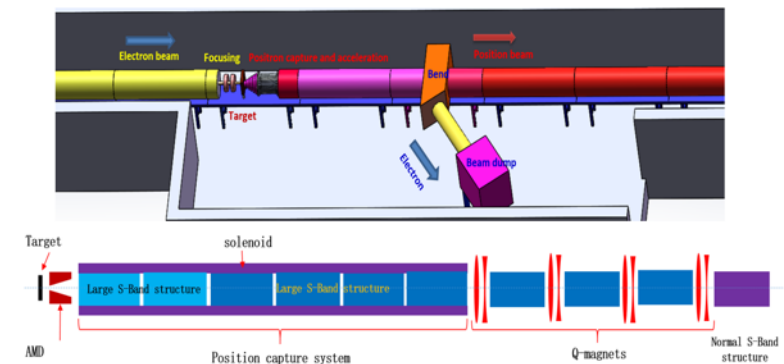


Photo-cathode electron gun



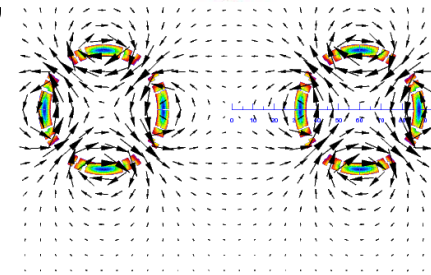
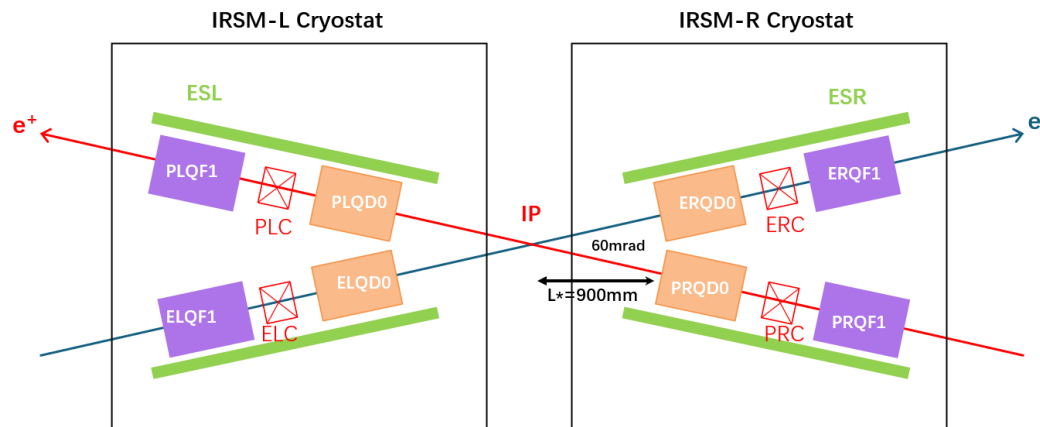
Positron source



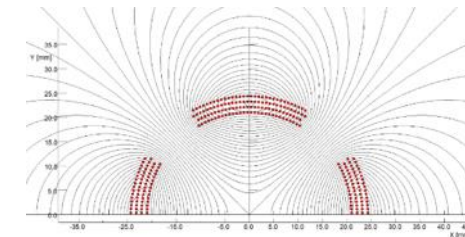
IR SC Magnets (1)

- IR SC magnet technique selection

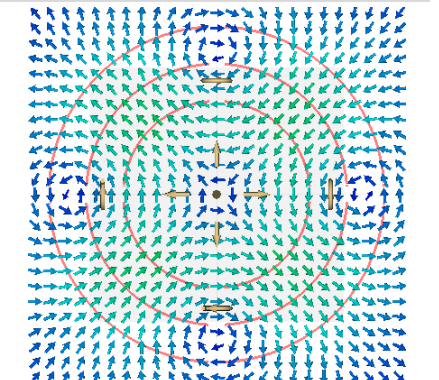
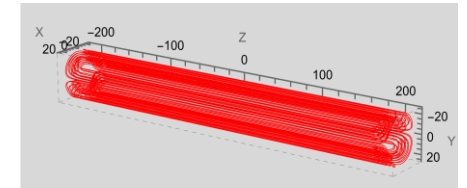
- Joint effort by experienced persons from several domestic institutions including HMFL (High Magnetic Field Lab), IHEP, IMP and others
- Four different techniques studied: CCT, Cos2 θ , DCT, Serpentine
- CCT was chosen for the further R&D and prototype at this stage



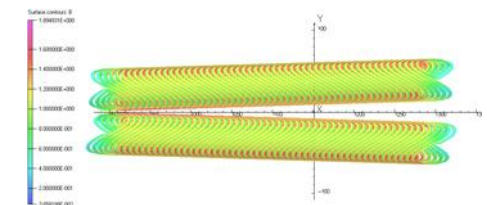
Cos2 θ coil EM



Single aperture serpentine coil



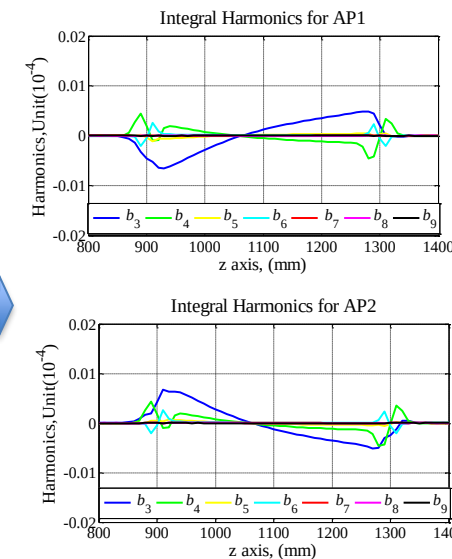
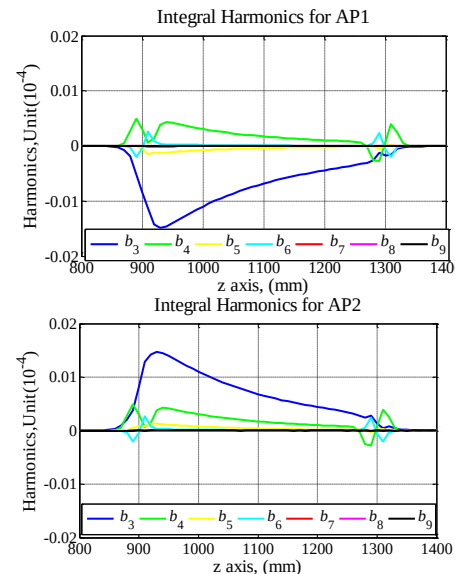
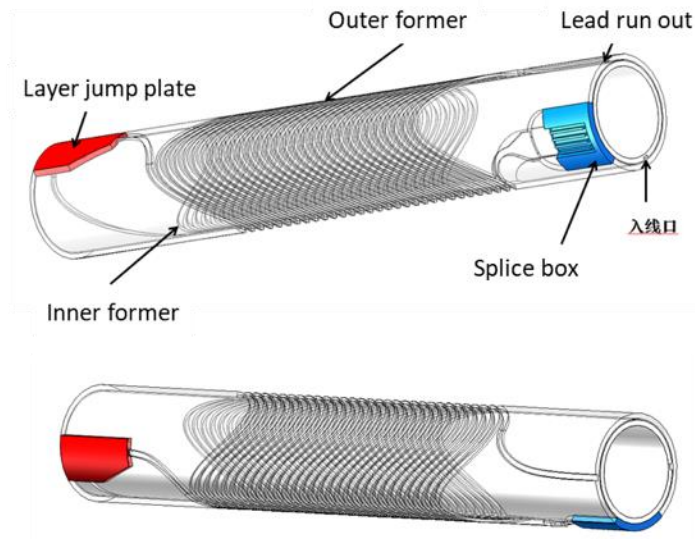
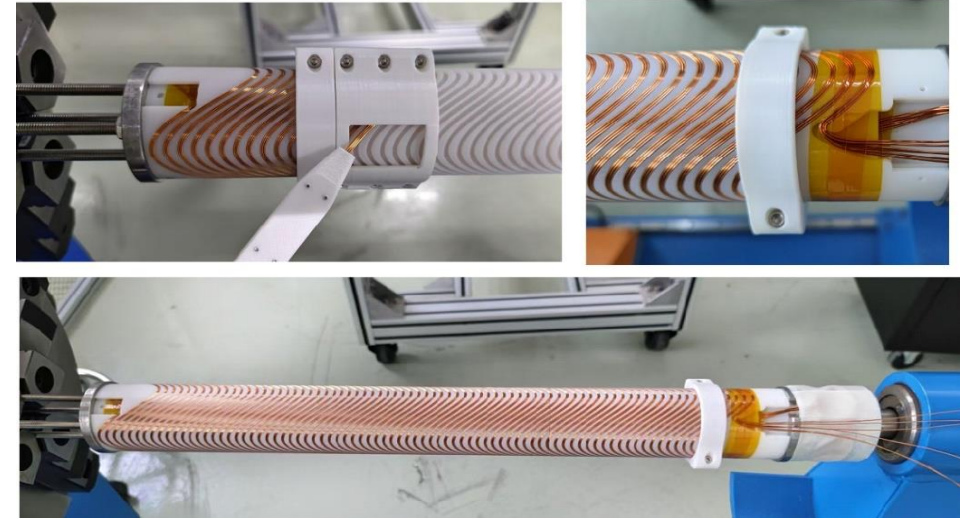
Single aperture DCT coil EM



CCT coil EM

IR SC Magnets (2)

- R&D and prototyping
 - Focusing on QD0 design (most challenging), both in EM and dimensions;
 - Twin-aperture QD0 coil harmonics and cross-talk are under optimization, challenging but almost there!
 - CNC machine of the QD0 former is under investigation, local manufacturer has been identified.



harmonics given at a reference radius of: 10.000 [mm]

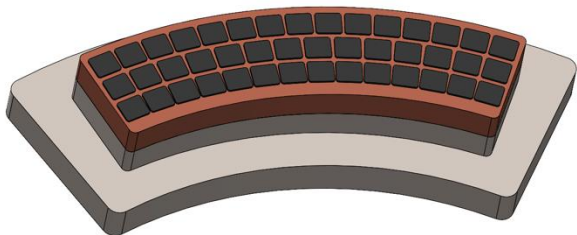
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A1	7.29e-07	0.04		B1	-1.12e-06	-0.05	
A2	4.64e-07	0.02		B2	2.04e-07	0.000000	
A3	5.19e-07	0.03		B3	-8.12e-08	-0.00	
A4	1.56e-06	0.08		B4	1.73e-07	0.01	
A5	7.60e-08	0.00		B5	-1.19e-08	-0.00	
A6	6.79e-07	0.03		B6	2.72e-08	0.00	
A7	7.20e-07	0.04		B7	-4.73e-09	-0.00	
A8	-5.38e-07	-0.03		B8	4.60e-09	0.00	
A9	8.06e-07	0.04		B9	-1.61e-09	-0.00	
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Ring RF system

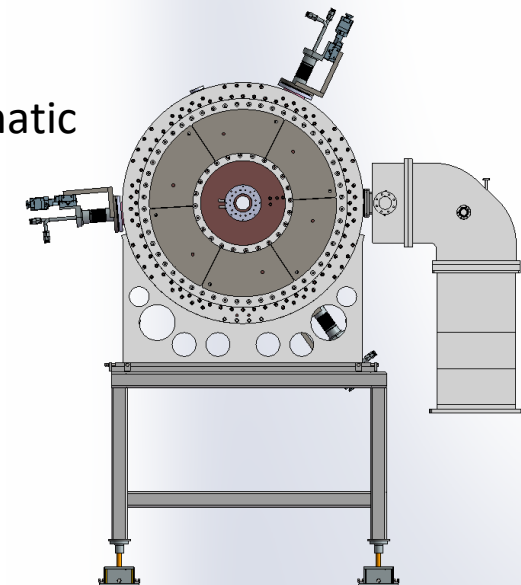
- Concerning two collider rings and DR/AR
 - CR: Challenging due to very high RF power, deep HOM damping and low R/Q
 - DR/AR: same RF frequency but relaxed requirements
 - Room-temperature TM020-mode RF cavity was chosen
- R&D and prototyping
 - Prototype fabrication under way at Lanzhou Taiji
 - Performance test will be in 2026 using HALF RF power source and test platform

RF parameters	
Working mode	TM020
Frequency [MHz]	499.7
R/Q [Ω]	95
Unloaded quality factor	63000
E_p/E_{acc}	2.48
B_p/E_{acc} [mA/V]	2.88

HOM damper



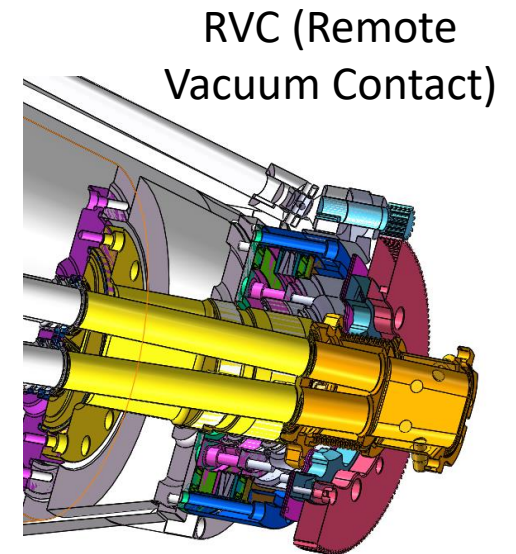
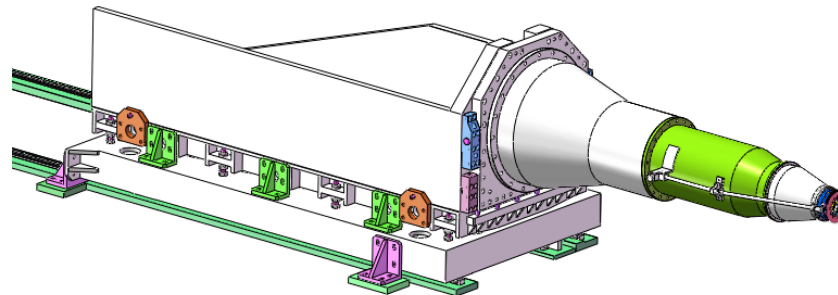
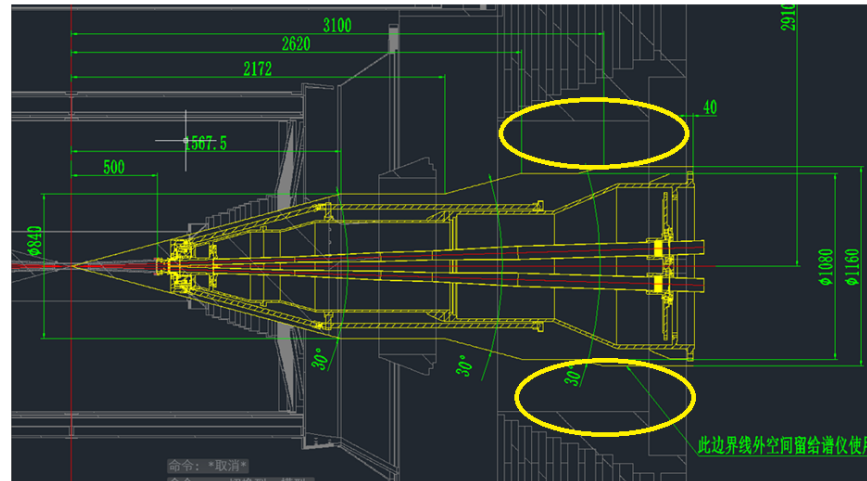
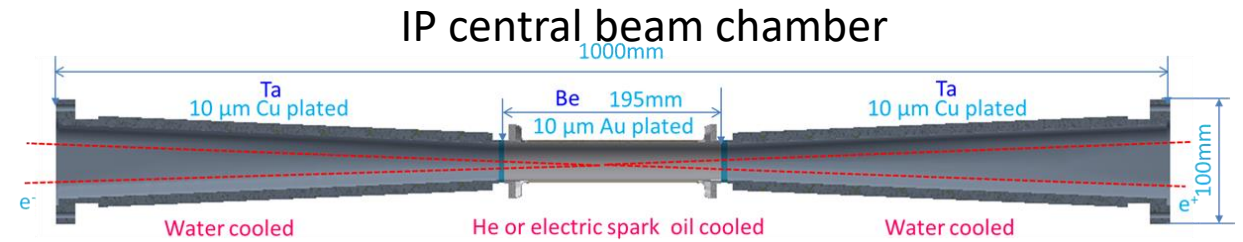
Schematic



Cavity in fabrication

MDI and Mechanics

- key area to focus : Machine-Detector Interface (MDC)
 - Designed IP central beam chamber
 - MDI mechanical model design is under way: 3D design followed by model fabrication
 - Intense discussion required among different groups
- Technical design of the collimators in iteration with physics design



Injection and Extraction System

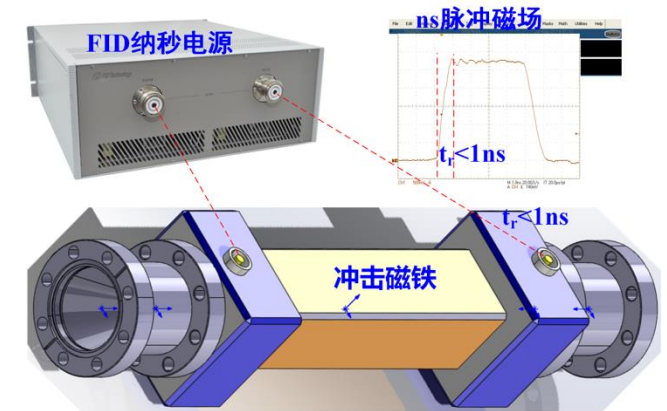
- Design requirements

- For both off-axis and swap-out injections
- Off-axis injection: local bump, nonlinear kickers
- Swap-out injection: ultrafast kickers (stripline), < 6 ns (bottom)
- Extraction: swap-out bunch by bunch, MPS extracting all bunches
- Septum: Eddy current type

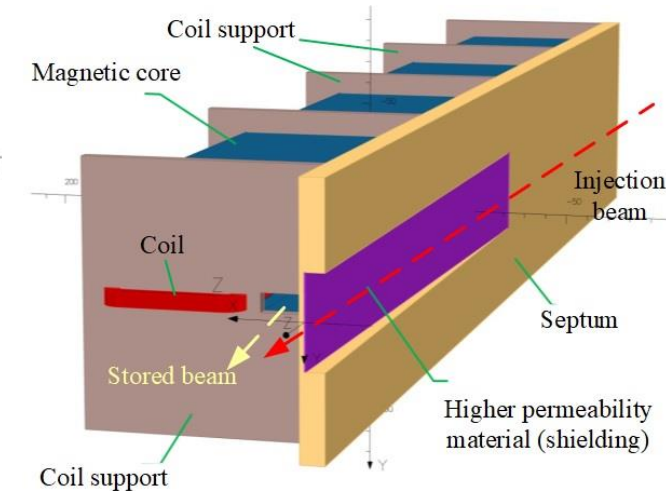
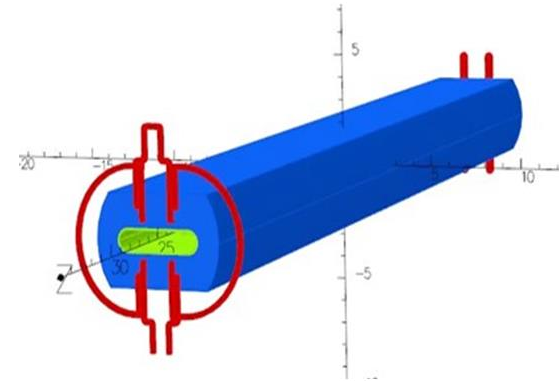
- R&D effort

- Prototypes: both nonlinear kicker and ultrafast kicker
- Well in progress, to complete by end 2025

Ultrafast kicker



Nonlinear kicker



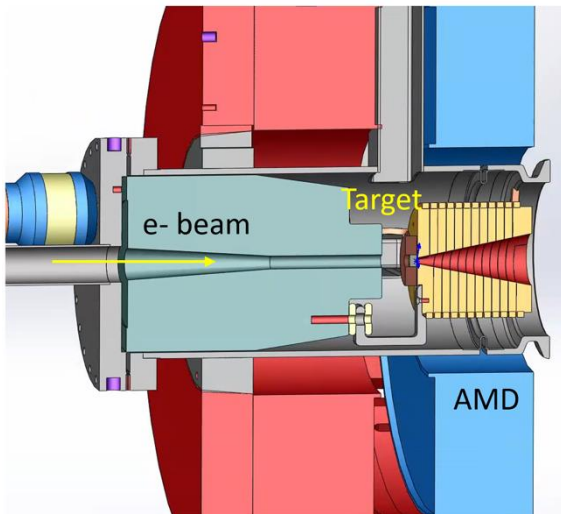
Eddy current septum

Positron Source

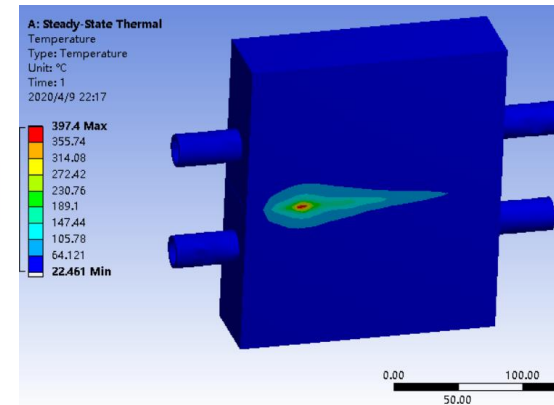
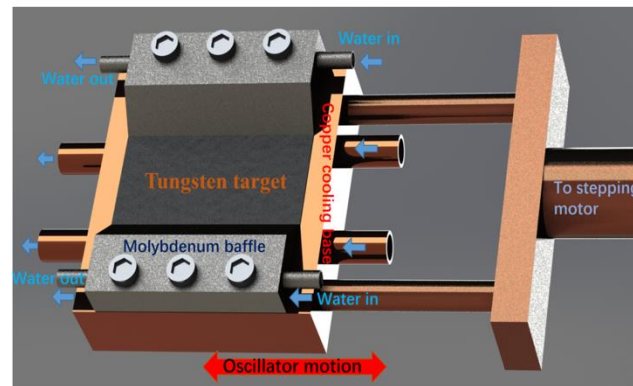
➤ Positron source design

- Mature technique for off-axis injection scheme: heat load, 15.5 J/g
- Technically challenging for swap-out injection scheme: heat load 31.8 J/g; **moving target design** adopted.
- Prototype of the conventional design for the test beam platform under way

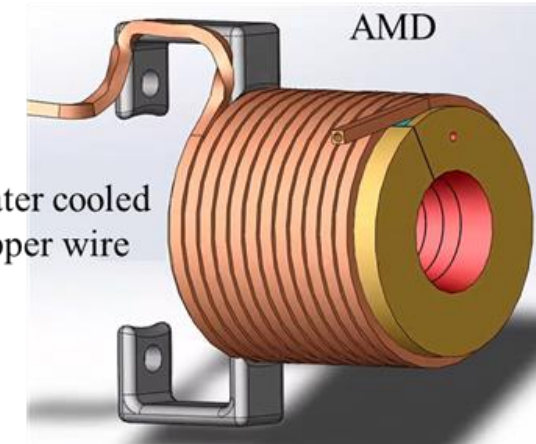
	Parameter	Design	
		Off-axis	Swap-out
1	e+ beam for DR/AR	1 GeV/1.5 nC/50 Hz	1 GeV/2.5 nC/100 Hz
2	e- beam on target	1.5GeV/10nC/50 Hz	2.5GeV/10nC/100Hz
3	Beam power	745 W	2340 W
4	Peak power dep.	16.2 J/g	31.8 J/g
5	Magnetic horn	0.5-5 T	0.5-5 T
6	e-/e+ conv. Rate	15 %	25 %
7	Solenoid field	0.5 T	0.5 T
8	Accel. tube diam.	30 mm	30 mm



Conventional design

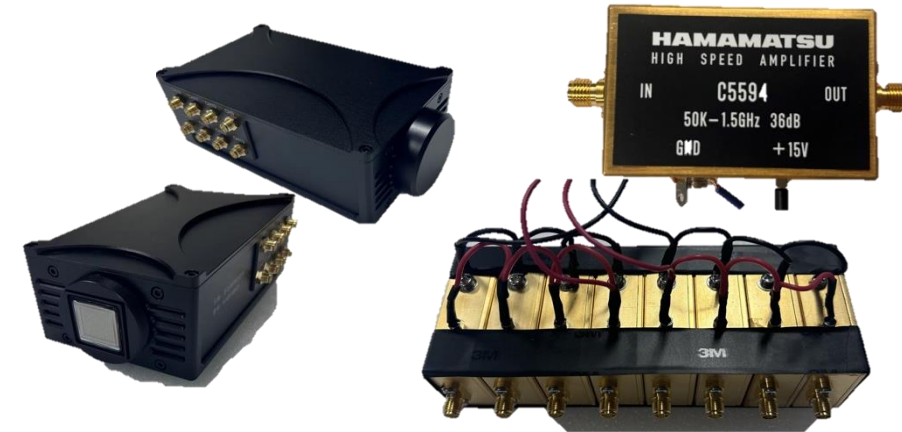


With moving target, temperature below 400°C



Beam Instrumentation

- Design goals
 - CR precise bunch meas.: bunch-by-bunch 3D meas., trans. position res. $<5\text{ }\mu\text{m}$, long. phase res. $<0.2\text{ ps}$
 - CR B-by-B fast feedback: coupled bunch inst.
 - IP: orbit feedback
 - Injector: bunch length and charge meas.
 - Iterations between physics design and BI group are held regularly
- R&D efforts in progress, to be tested in light sources and e+/e- beam test platform
 - Bunch 3D meas.: probe, signal treat, electronics, S/N, integration
 - B-by-B fast feedback: raising bandwidth, avoiding interference to single bunch
 - Injector bunch length and charge meas.: cavity-based
 - Prototypes: beam tests in different machines (SSRF, HLS, DLS)

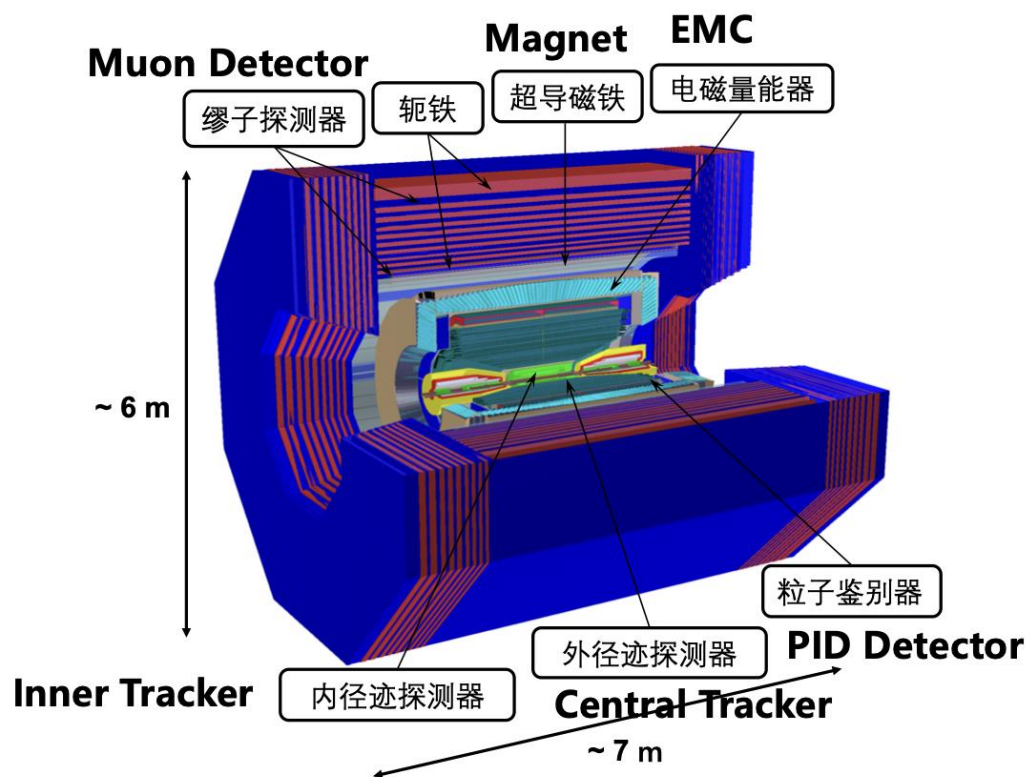


Bunch by bunch profile monitor prototype: photodetector, DAQ

Physics Requirements for STCF Detector

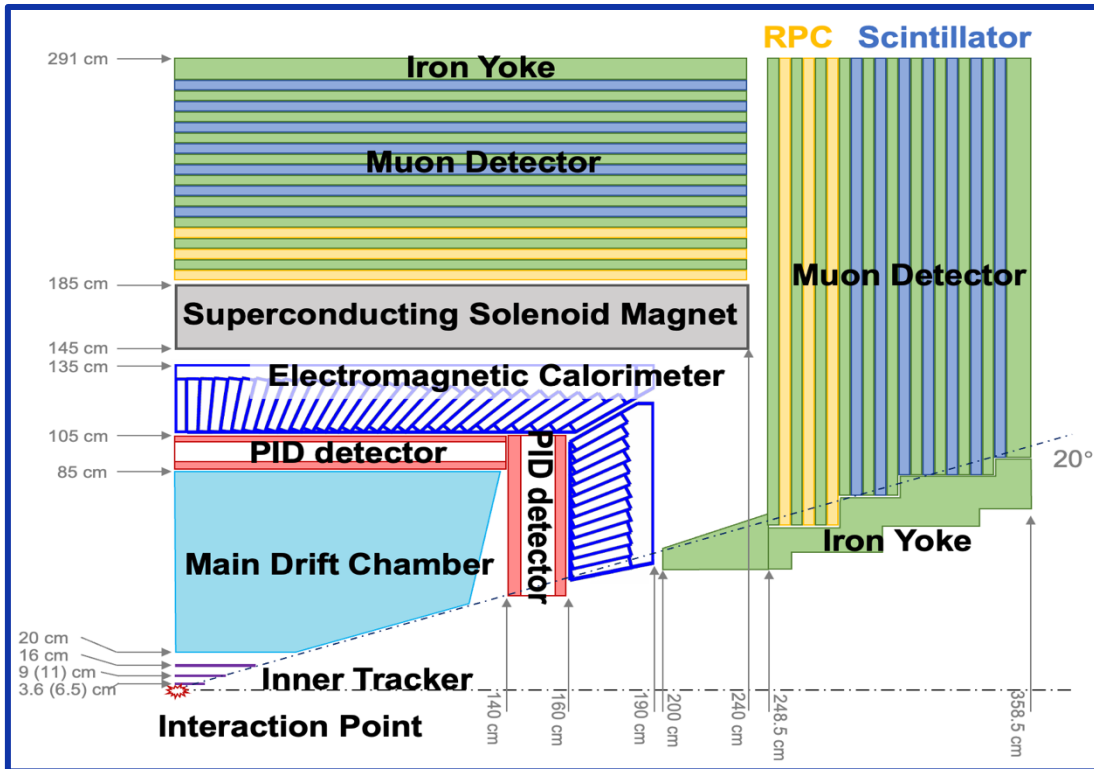
❖ Highly efficient and precise reconstruction of exclusive final states produced in 2-7 GeV e^+e^- collisions

- Precise measurement of low- p ($\sim > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$) particles
→ low mass tracking and PID detectors
- Excellent PID: π/K and μ/π separation up to 2 GeV and beyond



Process	Physics Interest	Optimized Subdetector	Requirements
$\tau \rightarrow K_s \pi \nu_\tau$, $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$, $D_{(s)}$ tag	CPV in the τ sector, CPV in the hyperon sector, Charm physics	ITK+MDC	acceptance: 93% of 4π ; trk. eff.: > 99% at $p_T > 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c$; > 90% at $p_T = 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$ $\sigma_p/p = 0.5\%$, $\sigma_{\gamma\phi} = 130 \mu\text{m}$ at $1 \text{ GeV}/c$
$e^+e^- \rightarrow KK + X$, $D_{(s)}$ decays	Fragmentation function, CKM matrix, LQCD etc.	PID	π/K and K/π misidentification rate < 2% PID efficiency of hadrons > 97% at $p < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$, $\tau \rightarrow \gamma\mu$, $D_s \rightarrow \mu\nu$	cLFV decay of τ , CKM matrix, LQCD etc.	PID+MUD	μ/π suppression power over 30 at $p < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$, μ efficiency over 95% at $p = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
$\tau \rightarrow \gamma\mu$, $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta(2S)$	cLFV decay of τ , Charmonium transition	EMC	$\sigma_E/E \approx 2.5\%$ at $E = 1 \text{ GeV}$ $\sigma_{\text{pos}} \approx 5 \text{ mm}$ at $E = 1 \text{ GeV}$
$e^+e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n}$, $D_0 \rightarrow K_L \pi^+ \pi^-$	Nucleon structure Unity of CKM triangle	EMC+MUD	$\sigma_T = \frac{300}{\sqrt{p^3(\text{GeV}^3)}} \text{ ps}$

Detector Design and Key Technologies



Major Performance Requirements

Acceptance: $94\% \times 4\pi$

Momentum res.: $\sigma_p/p \sim 0.5\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$

Energy res.: $\sigma_E/E \sim 2.5\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$

Hadron ID: $\pi/K \sim 4\sigma @ 2 \text{ GeV}$

Muon ID: eff. $>95\%$, mis-rate $<3\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$

- **Inner Tracker**
 - MPGD: cylindrical uRGroove, $\sigma_x \sim 100 \mu\text{m}$
 - Silicon: low-mass MAPS, $<0.3\%X_0/\text{layer}$
- **Central Tracker** ($\sigma_p/p \sim 0.5\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$)
 - Drift chamber with super-small cells, $\sigma_x < 130 \mu\text{m}$
- **PID System** ($\pi/K \sim 4\sigma @ 2 \text{ GeV}$)
 - Endcap: DIRC-like TOF - DTOF ($\sigma_t \sim 30 \text{ ps}$)
 - Barrel: RICH ($<4 \text{ mrad}$) or DTOF ($\sigma_t \sim 30 \text{ ps}$)
- **EMC**
 - pCsI + APD: ($\sigma_E/E \sim 2.5\%$, $\sigma_x \sim 5 \text{ mm}$, $\sigma_t \sim 300 \text{ ps} @ 1 \text{ GeV}$)
- **Solenoid** : 1 T
- **Muon Detector** (eff. $>95\%$, mis-rate $<3\% @ 1 \text{ GeV}$)
 - inner layers : glass RPC, $> 300 \text{ Hz/cm}^2$
 - outer layers : scintillator strip + SiPM, $\sim 2.4 \text{ m}$
- **Trigger, DAQ, Clock and Data Transmission**

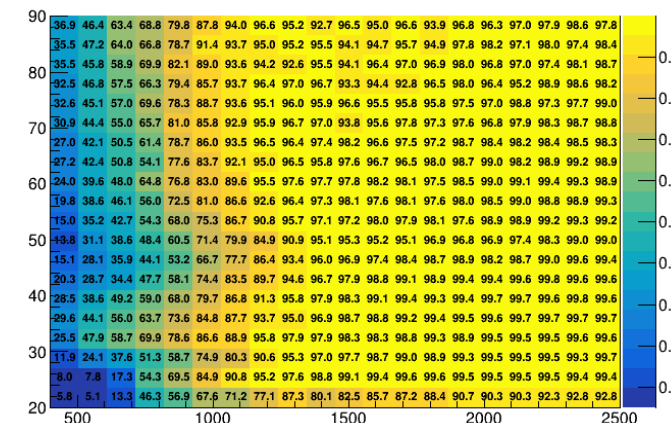
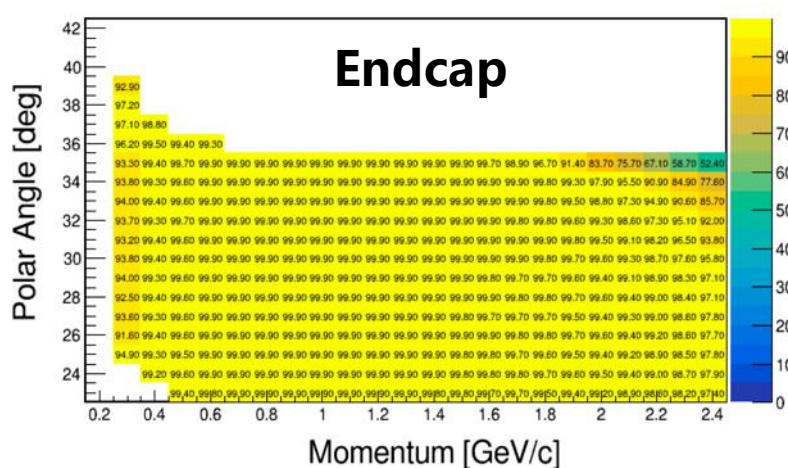
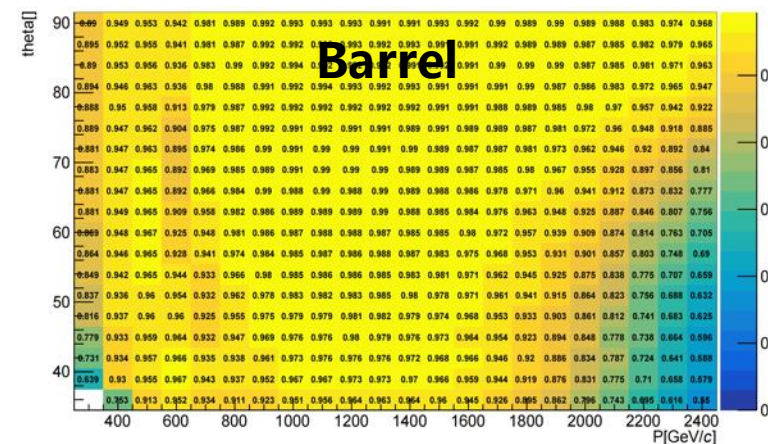
Beam background at the inner most layer

$\sim 1 \text{ Mrad/y}$, $\sim 1 \times 10^{11} \text{ 1MeV n-eq/cm}^2/\text{y}$, $\sim 1 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$

Expected Performance

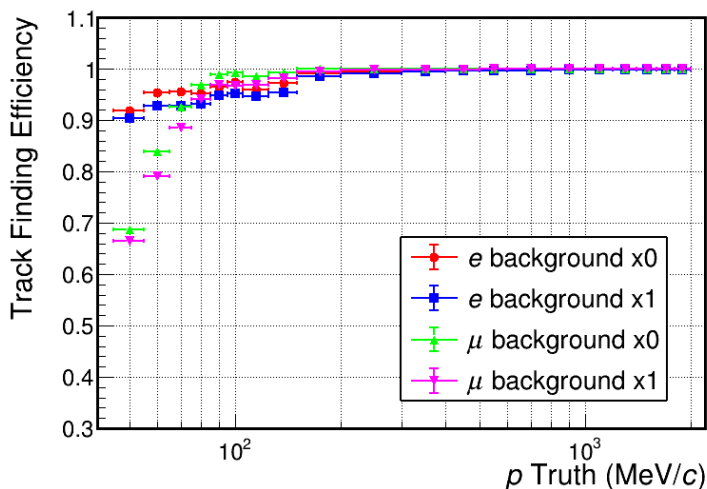
PID: Pion ID eff. >97% @ mis-ID (K->pi)=2%

Muon ID eff. @ pi suppression=30

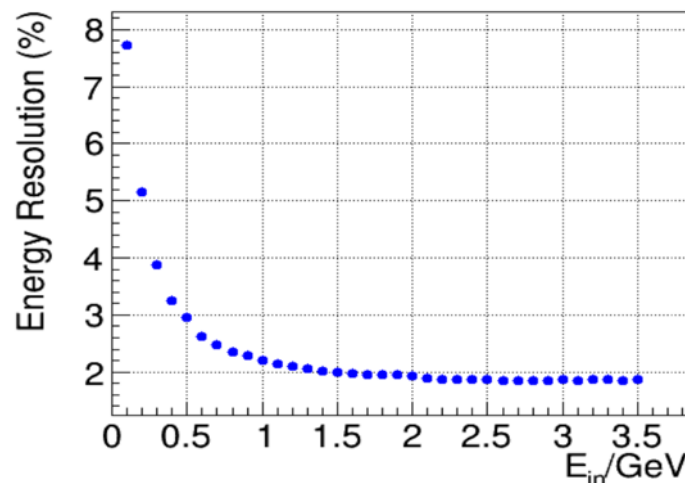


eff. $\sim$ > 90% when $p \sim$ > 1 GeV/c

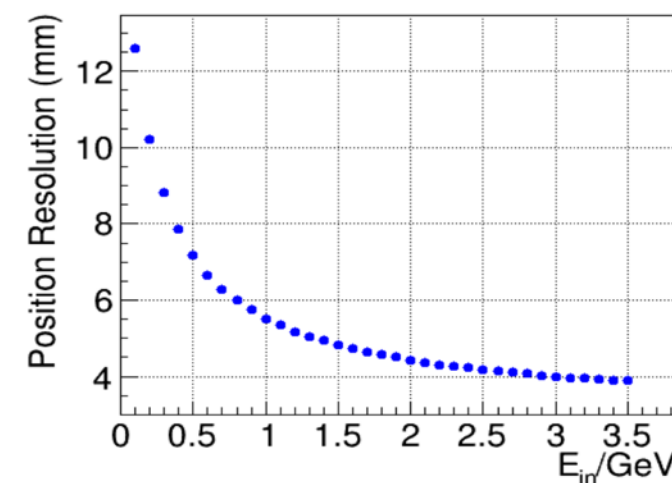
Tracking efficiency



EMC energy resolution

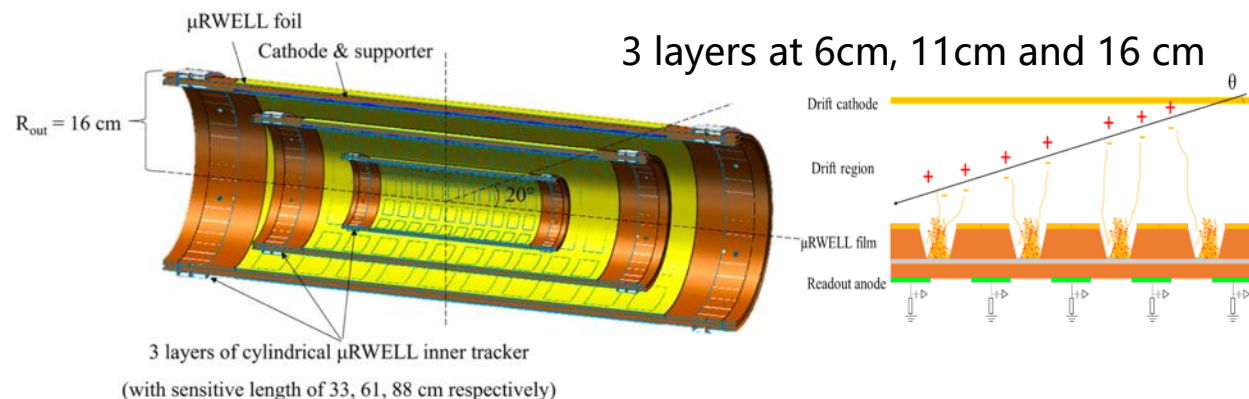


EMC position resolution



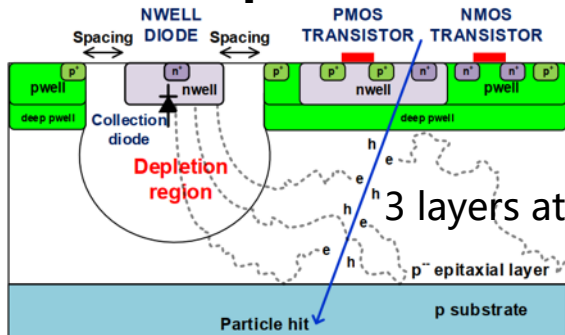
Tracking System : ITK + MDC

ITK Gaseous option : MPGD



Material budget $\sim 0.3\%X_0/\text{layer}$

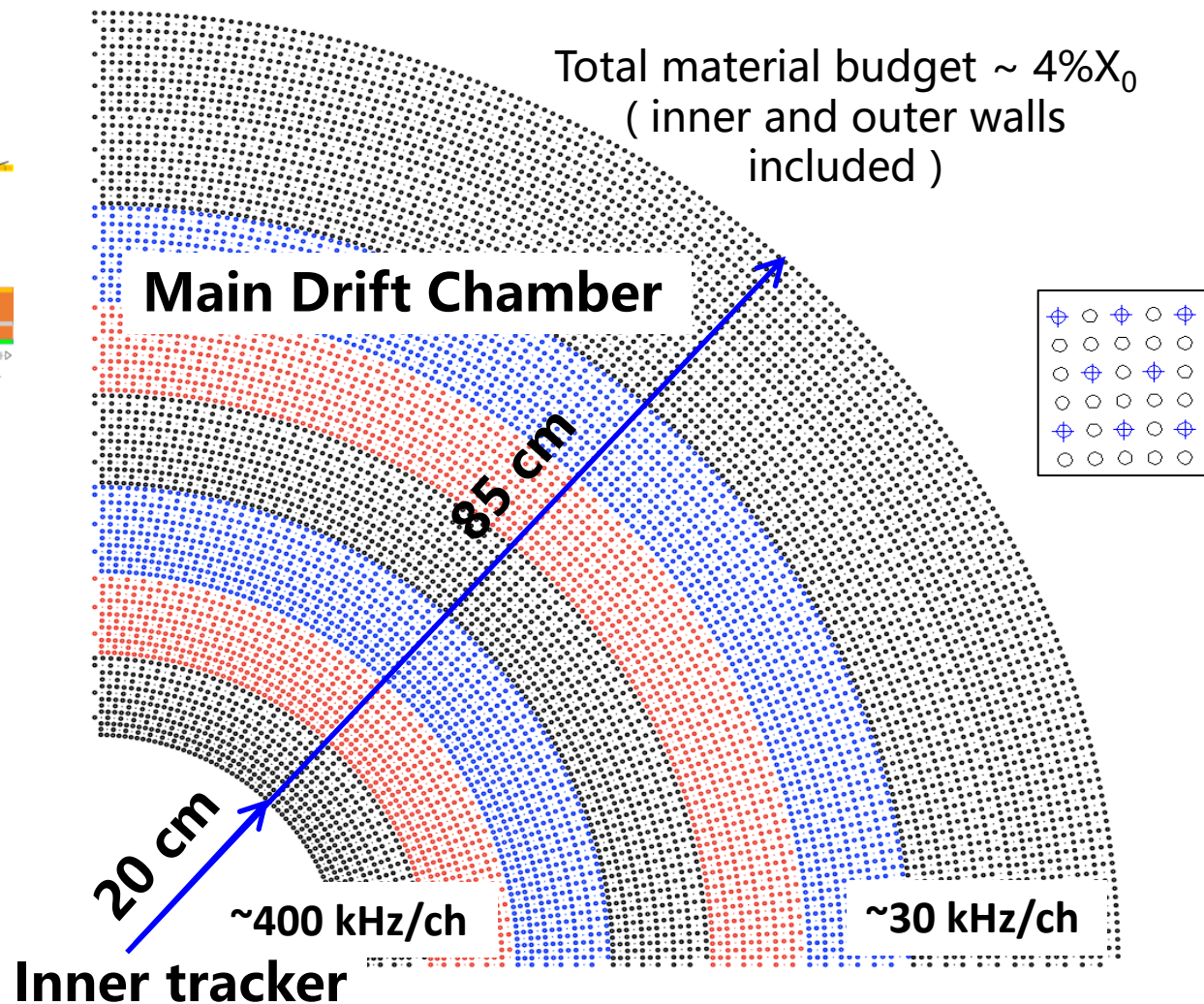
ITK Silicon option: CMOS MAPS



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3 layers at 6cm, 11cm and 16 cm

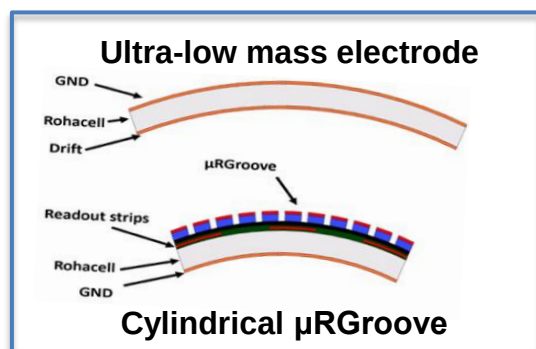
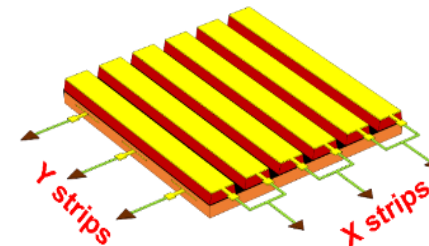
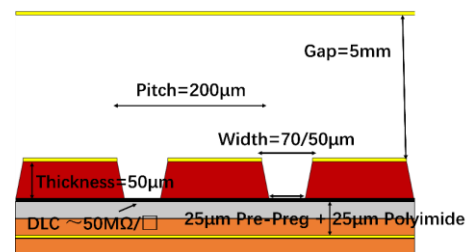
3 layers at 3.6cm, 9.8cm and 16 cm



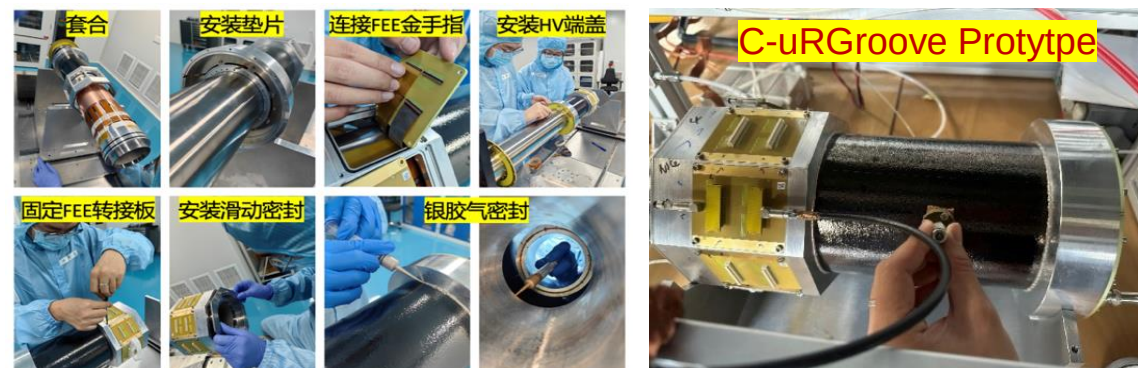
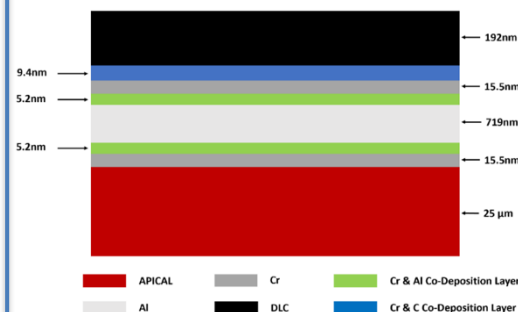
Inner-outer separate designs to accommodate different levels of radiation background

MPGD ITK : μ RGroove

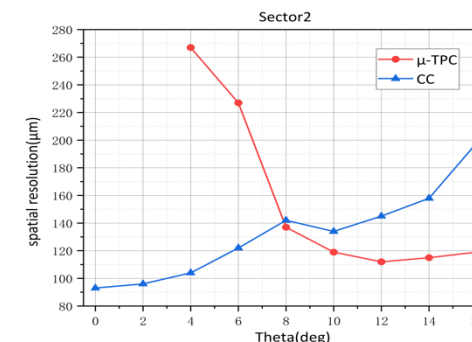
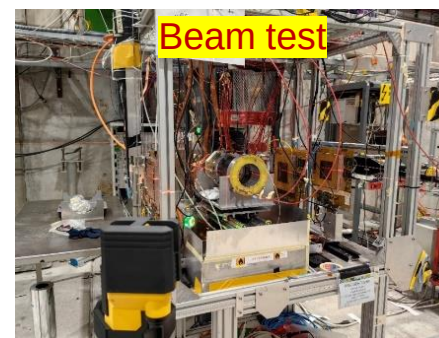
- Proposed and developed a novel single-stage MPGD, micro-resistive Groove detector (μ RGroove), for the inner tracker: larger signals and easier production compared to μ RWELL.
- Developed a set of techniques and procedures for fabricating a cylindrical low-mass μ RGroove detector and built a low-mass c- μ RGroove prototype: material budget $\sim 0.23\%X_0/\text{layer}$, the best in cylindrical MPGDs.



Ultra-low mass electrode

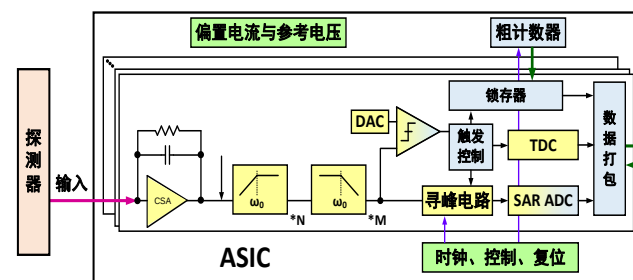


- Conducted multiple beam tests of the prototype at CERN. Position resolution $< 100\mu\text{m}$ for vertical tracks, and $< 130\mu\text{m}$ for inclined tracks or in 1T magnetic field.

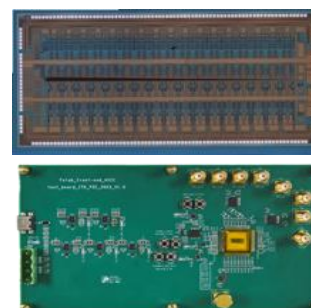


MPGD ITK : Electronics

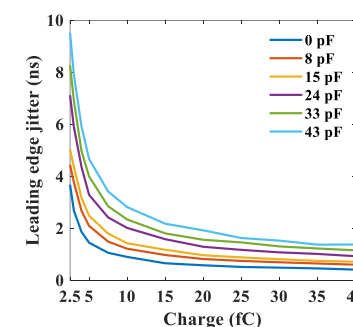
- ASIC is required for readout. Very challenging performance requirements (event rate much higher than VMM). Designed and produced a 32-channel prototype ASIC chip with full function, and tested it with a detector prototype.
- Development of readout electronics with the ASIC is well underway



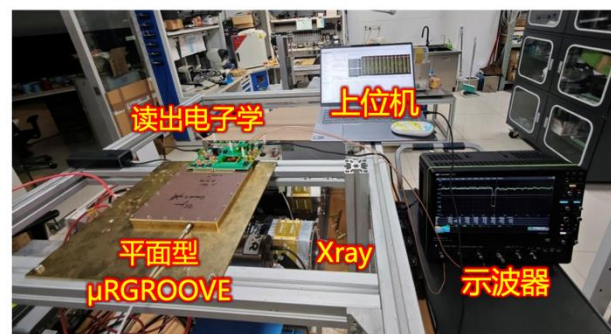
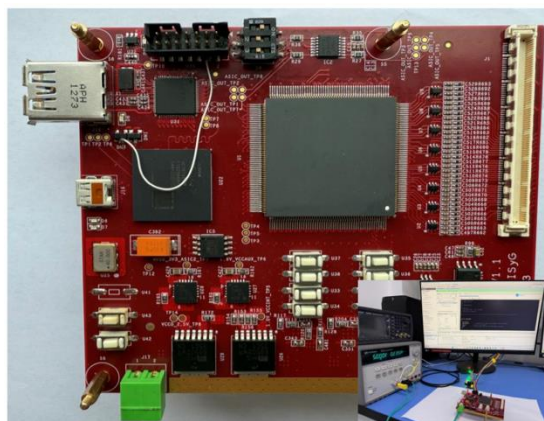
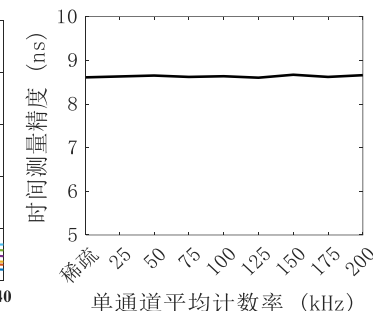
ASIC Specs	Demands
Charge Range	40 fC
Charge precision	~ 1 fC RMS
Time precision	< 10 ns RMS
Max. event rate	4 MHz



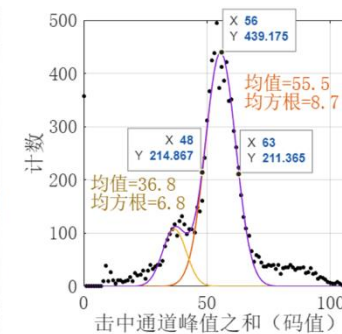
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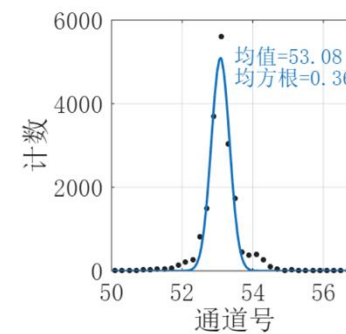
Counting rate



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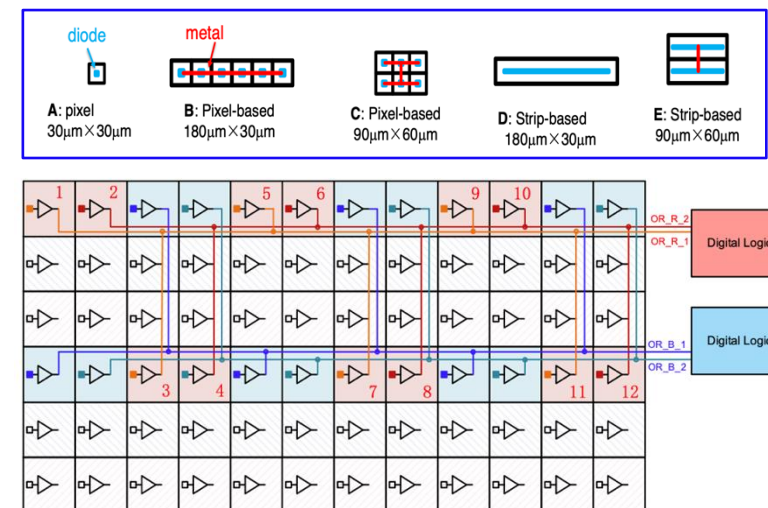
-475 V -1000 V偏压下
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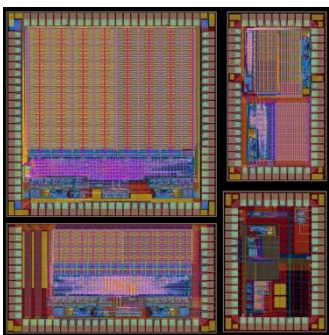
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的位置测量结果

MAPS ITK : MAPS Designs

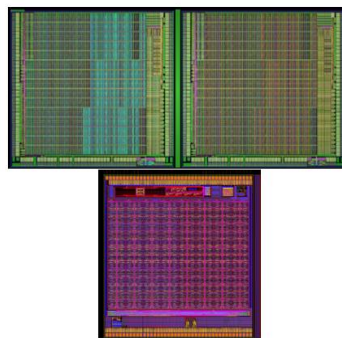
- **Core target:** a low-power MAPS design with moderate position resolution and both timing and charge measurement capabilities.
- **Low power outweighs position resolution:** exploring strip-like or large-size pixel MAPS designs to reduce power.
- **Exploring a super-pixel design** that can provide both high position and high time resolutions for low power consumption.
- **Various CMOS processes being explored**
 - Mature technology: TowerJazz 180nm (HR epi)
 - Domestic foundries: NexChip BCIS 90nm (LR epi) , GSMC 130nm (HR substrate), IRAY 180nm (HR epi)



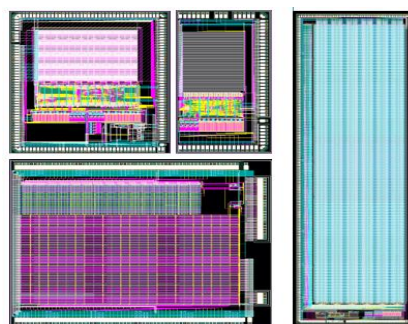
TowerJazz 180nm
Chips received,
testing underway



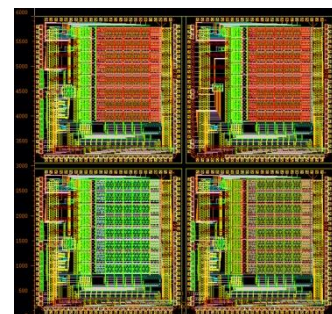
NexChip BCIS 90nm
Chips received,
to be tested



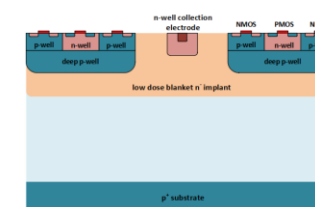
GSMC 130nm
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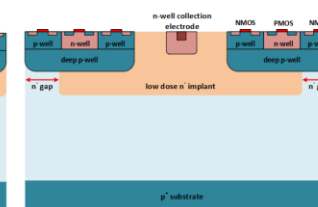
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Supporting quadruple-well with possibility of
N-blanket implant and N-gap. Chips received, to be tested



N-blanket implant

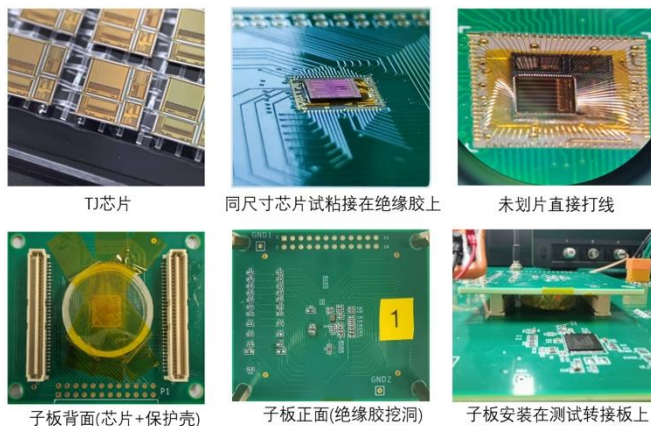


N-gap



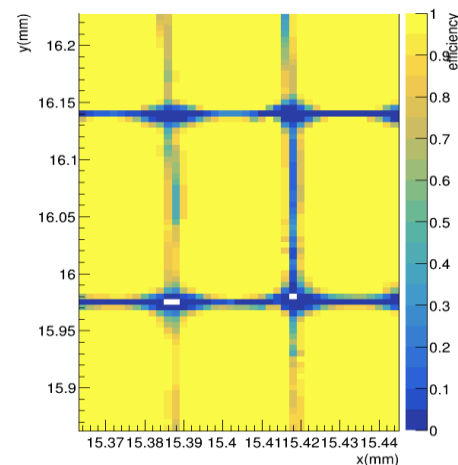
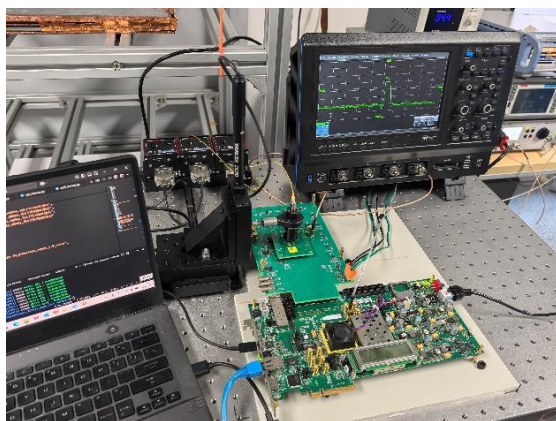
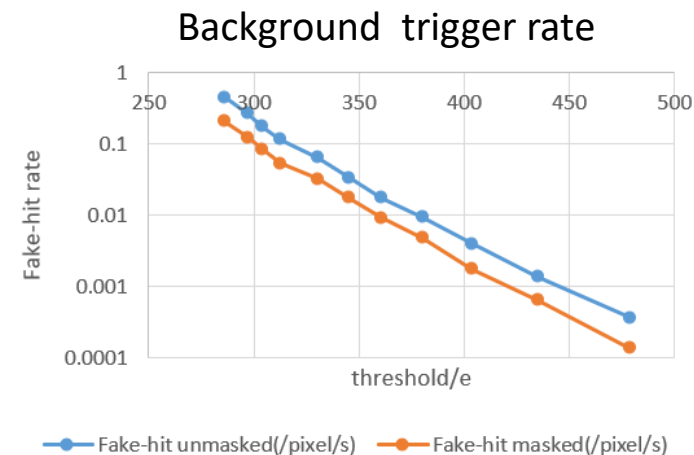
MAPS ITK : MAPS Testing

- Characterized the TJ and GSMC chips for threshold, noise, fake hit rate and capacitance. Tested the chips with laser and radioactive sources (Fe55 and Sr90) for detection efficiency, charge collection efficiency and time resolution.

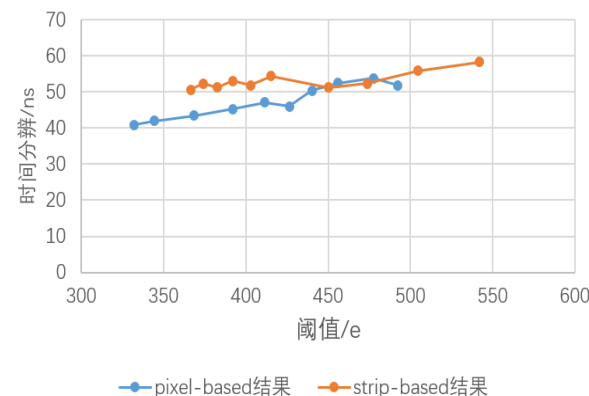


偏压/V	Threshold/e	FPN/e	TN/e	A _{OUT} /mV	基线RMS/mV
-2	268.2	7.15	16.1	523	7.8
-3	234.7	2.75	15.3	477	9.2
-4	212.2	0.82	15.4	417	7.06
-5	178.1	5.32	11.3	348	5.92
-6	182.1	7.11	12.1	292	5.88

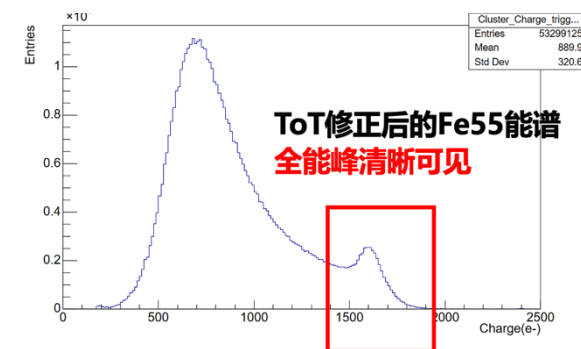
Efficiency



Time resolution (TJ)

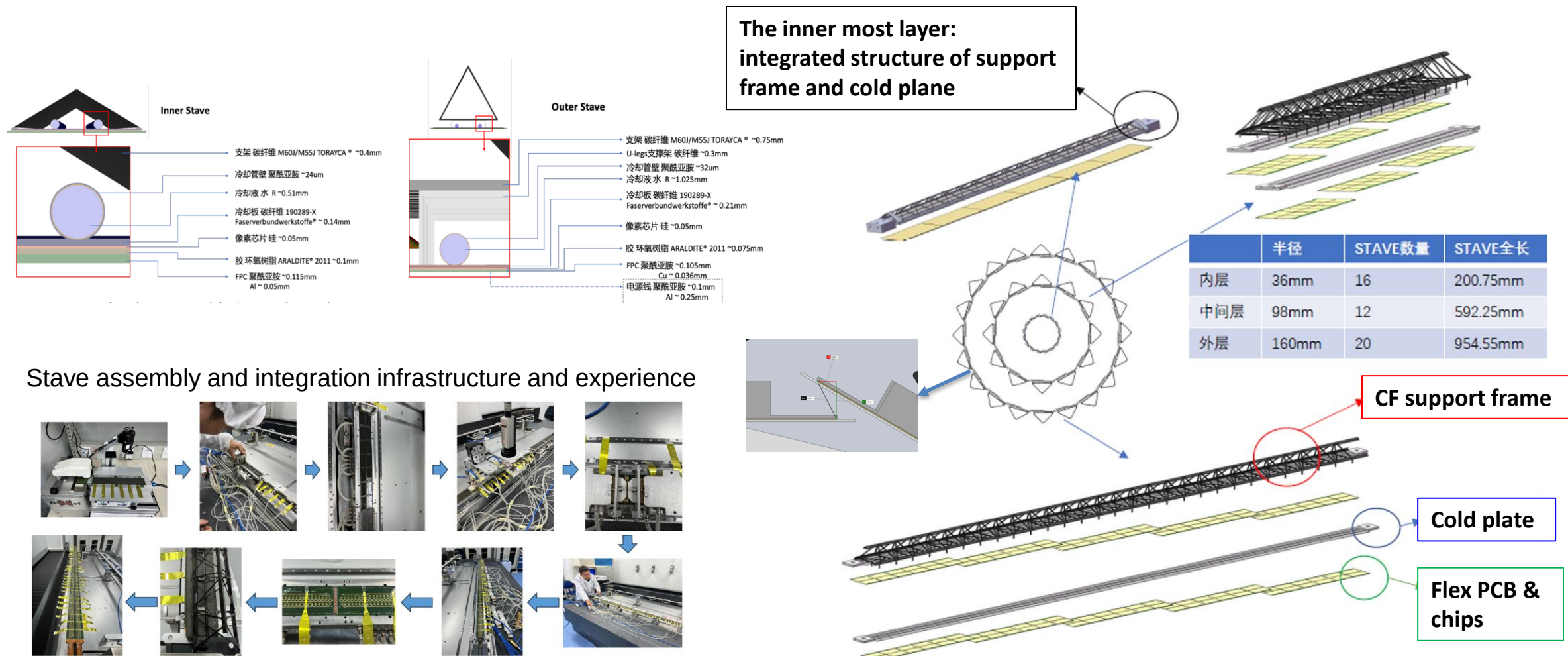


Fe55 energy spectrum (GSMC)



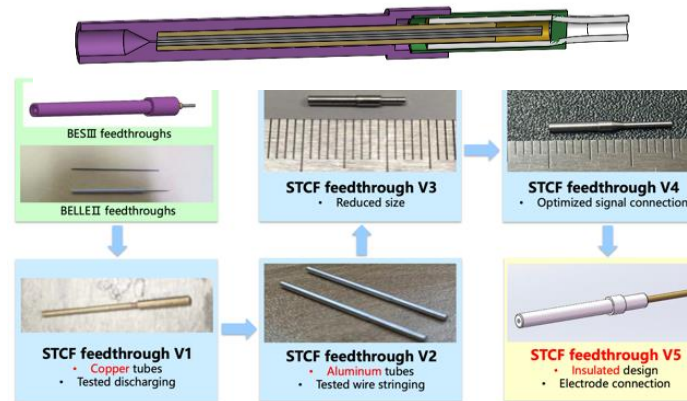
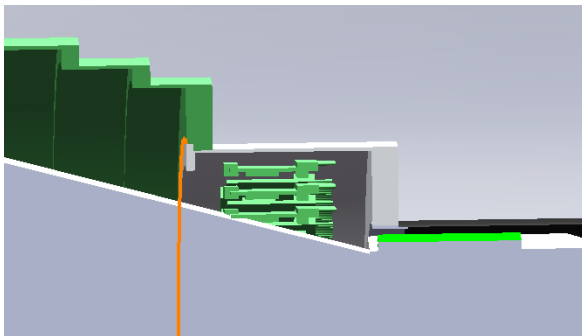
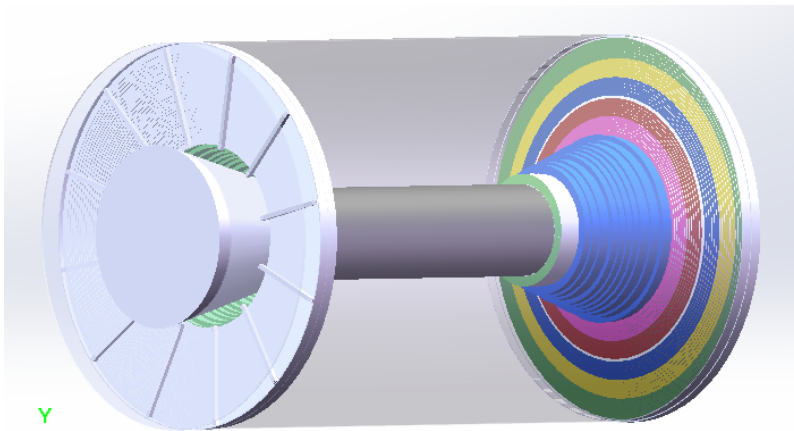
MAPS ITK : Stave Design

- Significant progress has been made in detector module (stave) mechanical design



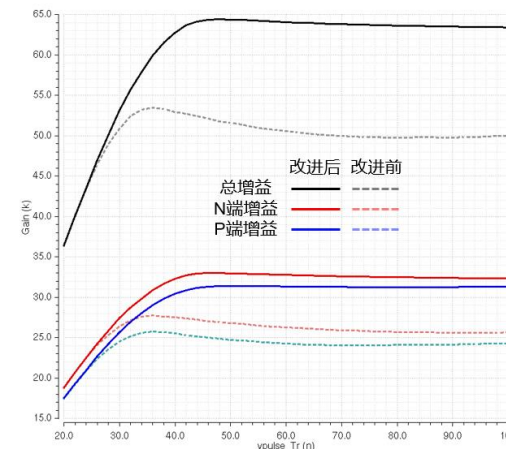
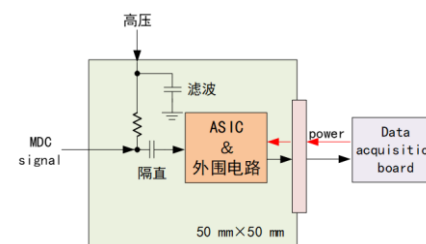
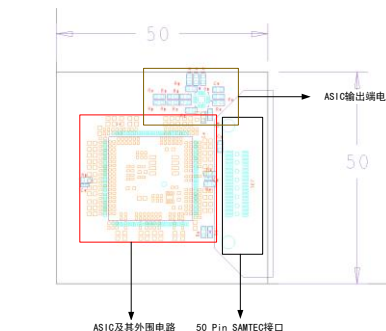
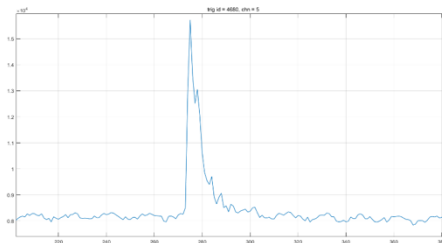
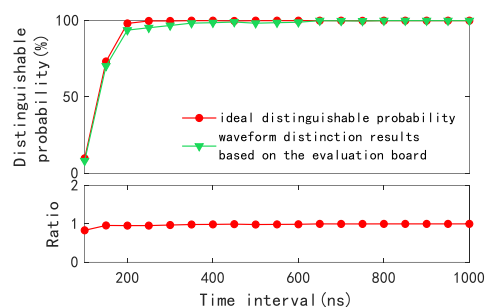
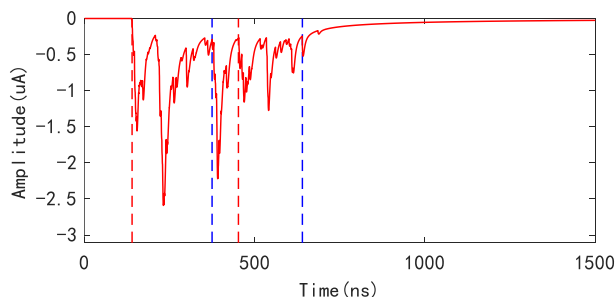
Main Drift Chamber : Detector

- Endplate structure optimized to simplify the assembly process
- Intensive R&D effort on feedthrough for super-small cells (~ 5 mm)
- A full-length super-small cell drift chamber prototype is under construction.



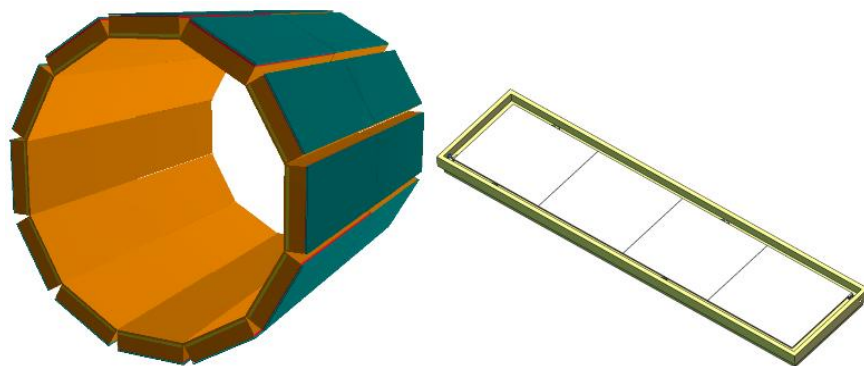
Main Drift Chamber : Electronics

- A major challenge in MDC electronics: discriminating overlapping signal pulses (as a result of high counting rate) that are irregular in shape.
- Waveform digitizing electronics is used to allow online waveform discriminating algorithms that run on PFGA. Developed the electronics with discrete components (TIA + shaper + ADC) and tested with detector prototypes.
- ASIC design is underway. First version of the analogue part has been taped out. The chip prototype has been produced and is being tested.

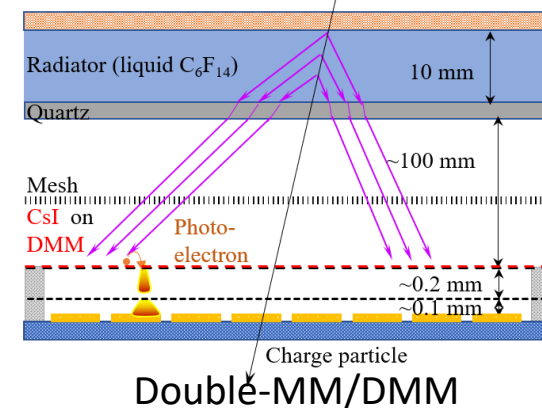
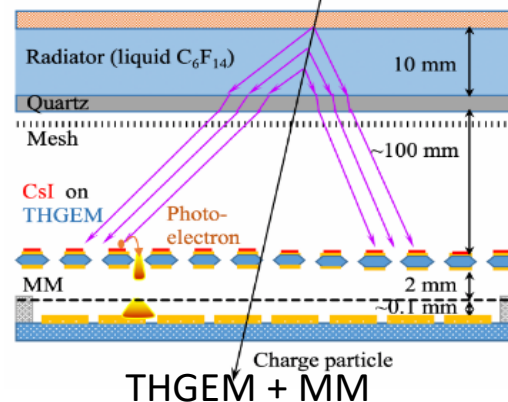


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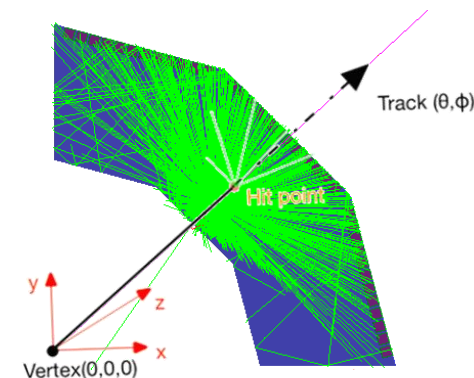
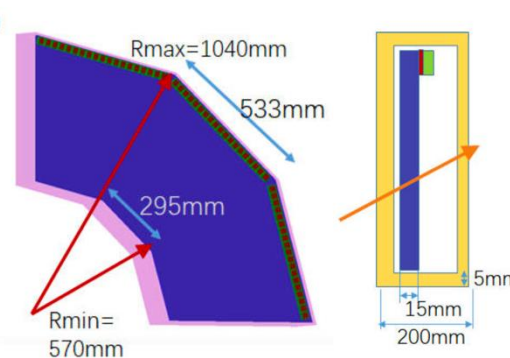
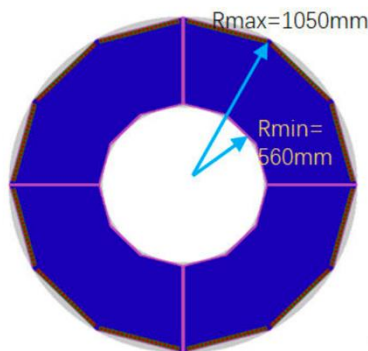
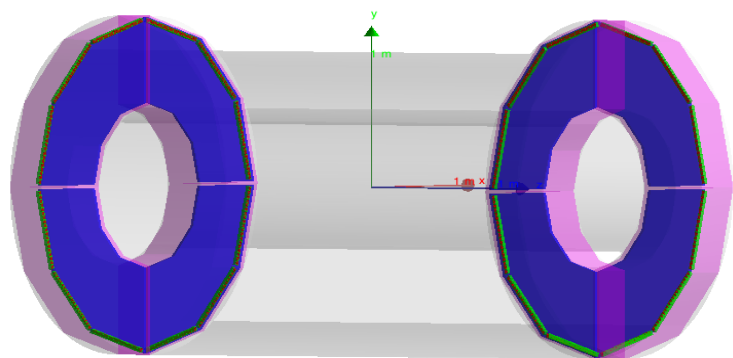
- PID system: thickness < 20cm, material budget < $0.3X_0$, $\pi/K \sim 4\sigma$ @ 2GeV
- Barrel PID: A RICH detector using MPGD with CsI for photon detection, $\sigma_\theta \sim 4$ mrad



Two MPGD-based photo detector options

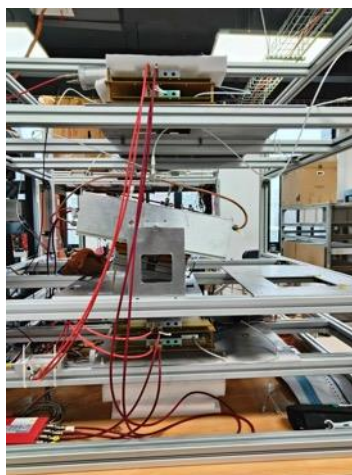
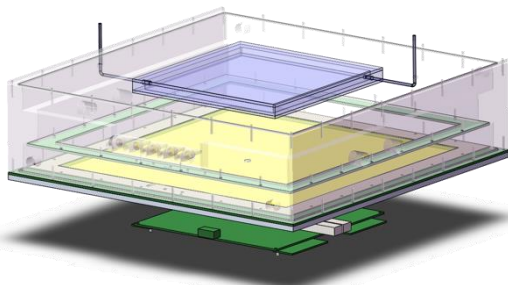


- Endcap PID: A DIRC-like TOF detector, DTOF, quartz plate + MCP-maPMT, $\sigma_t \sim 30$ ps

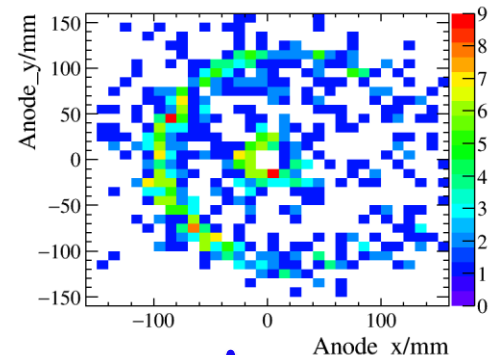


PID Barrel : RICH Detector

Cosmic-ray test of a $32 \times 32 \text{ cm}^2$ RICH prototype with
THGEM + MM

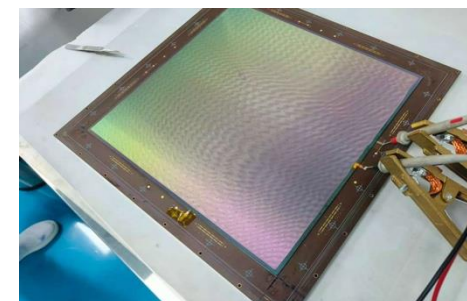


Very low photoelectron yield ~
1/track. Likely causes: low radiator
transparency, low cathode QE, low
electron collection efficiency



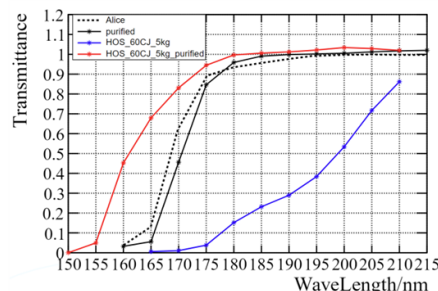
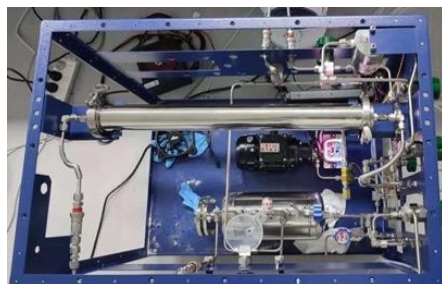
Moved to DMM option : DMM-RICH

- Compact structure
- High gain & good time resolution
- High electron collection efficiency & low ion backflow

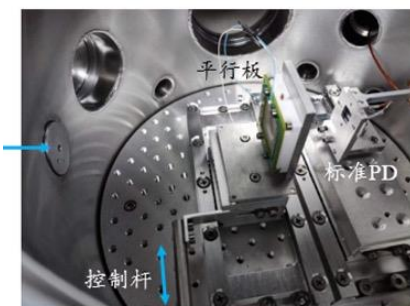


Ongoing test of a DMM-RICH prototype

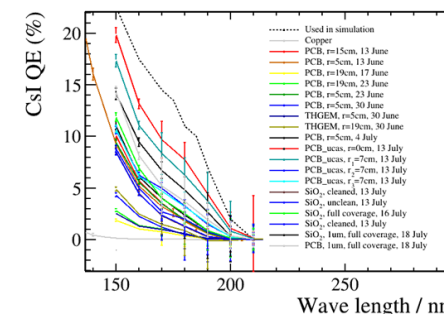
Ongoing efforts to bring up the photoelectron yield



Enhancing radiator transparency by purifying C_6F_{14}

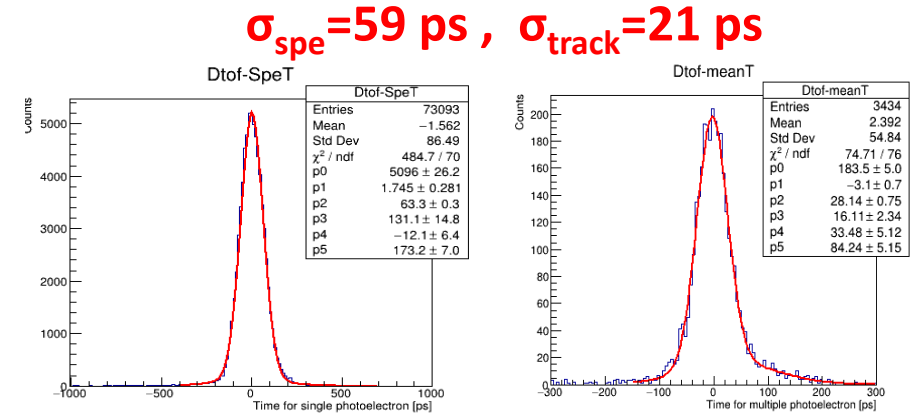
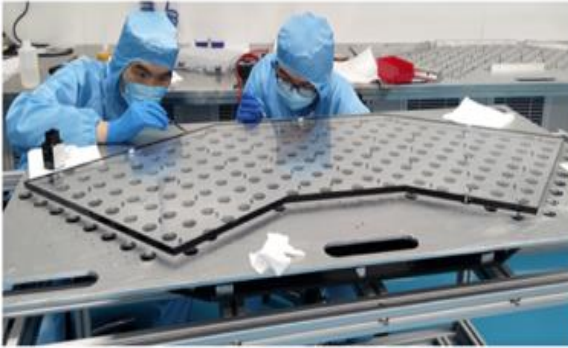


Improving QE: CsI coating and QE measurement

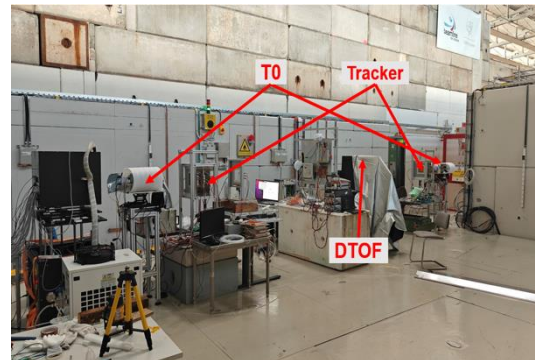
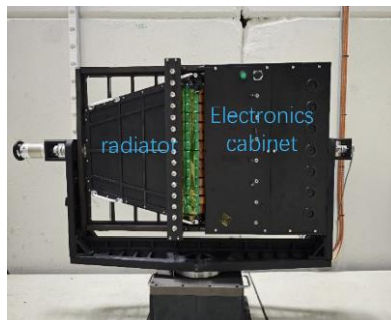
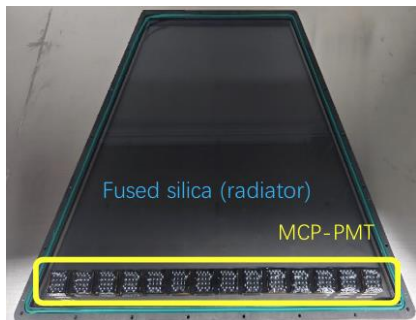


PID Endcap: DTOF Detector

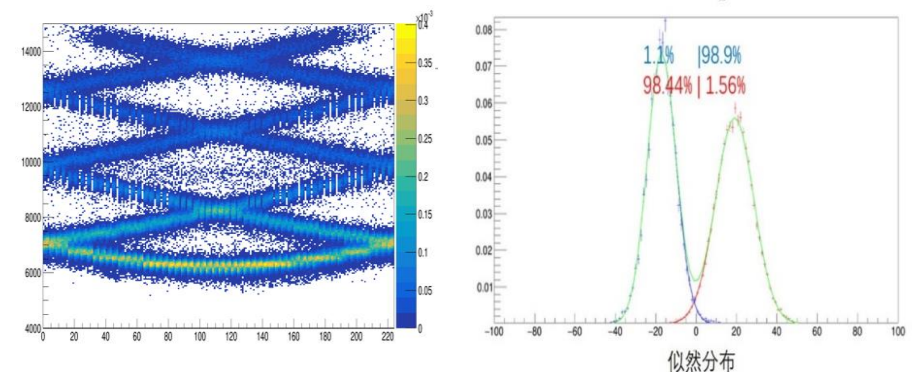
- A full-size DTOF prototype (a quadrant of STCF DTOF at one endcap) was built and tested with cosmic-rays to demonstrate the DTOF concept and technology on the full scale.



- A smaller DTOF prototype a third the size of the quadrant was built and tested with particle beams at CERN to demonstrate the PID capability of the DTOF detector

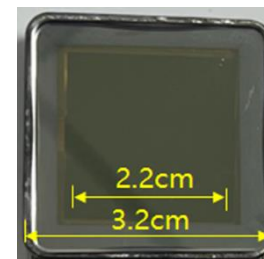
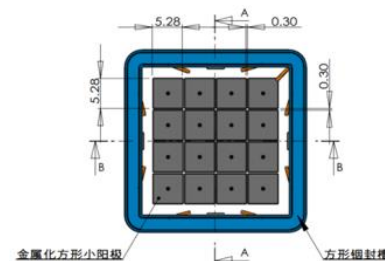


π/K separation $>4\sigma$ @ 2GeV/c

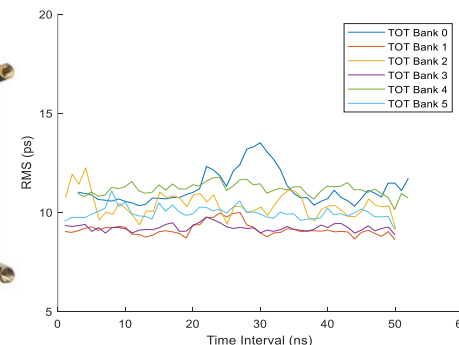
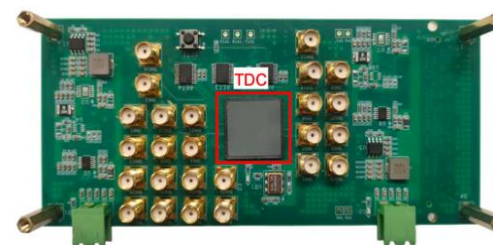
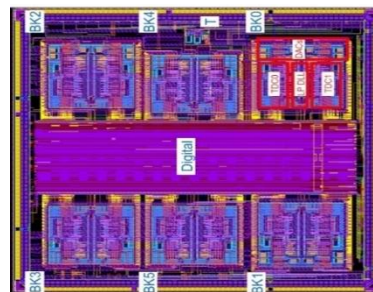
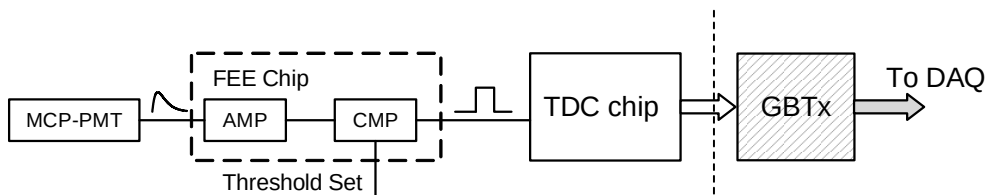
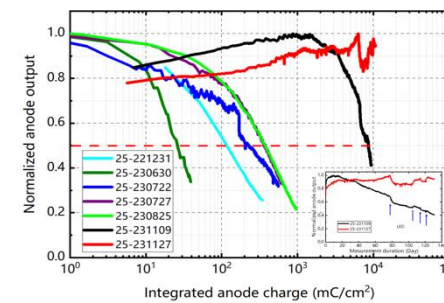
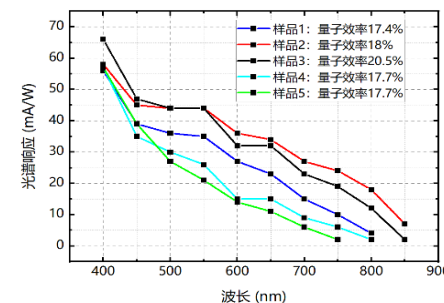


MCP-maPMT and Readout ASICs

- MCP-maPMT: a critical component of the DTOF technology
- Intensive R&D on techniques (ALD and electron scrubbing) to produce long-life MCP-PMT (target $Q > 10 \text{ C/cm}^2$).
- Designed and produced 1-inch MCP-maPMT prototypes with 16 annodes each.
- Carried out various tests of the MCP-maPMT prototypes
 - $\text{TTS} < 40 \text{ ps}$, $\text{QE} > 20\%$, $G > 10^6$,
 - Aging : $< 10\%$ gain drop when $Q > 11 \text{ C/cm}^2$
- Two ASICs designed for MCP-maPMT readout. Prototype chips produced and tested
 - FET: target $\sim 15 \text{ ps}$, measured $\sim 15 \text{ ps}$
 - TDC: target $\sim 15 \text{ ps}$, measured $\sim 10 \text{ ps}$

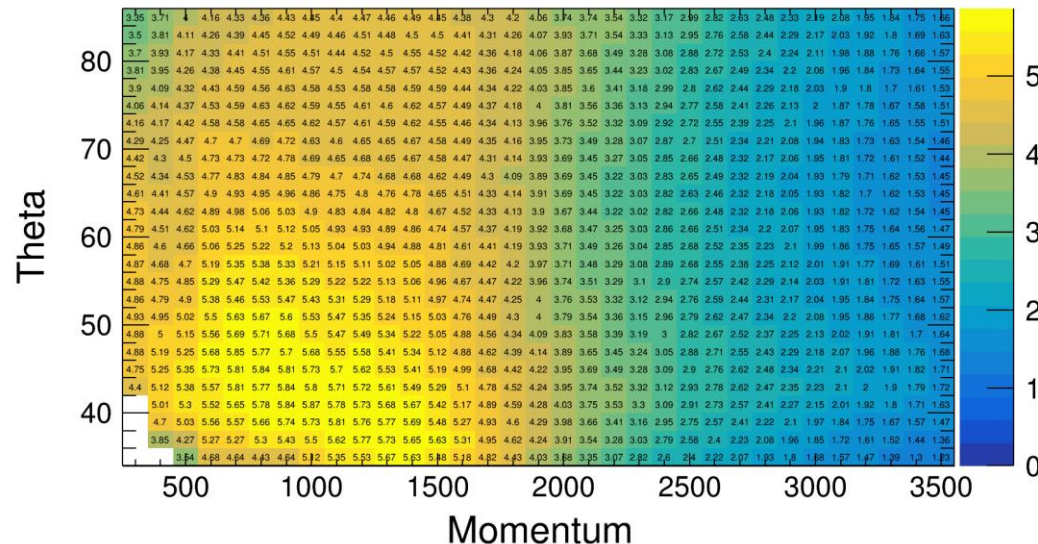
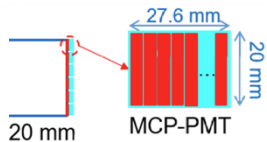
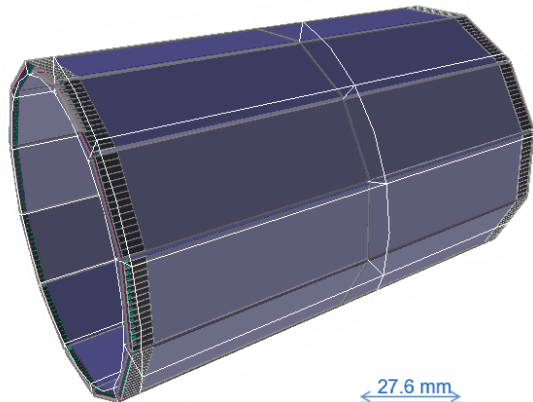


MCP-PMT编号	25-240507	25-240521	25-240605	25-240620
MCP类型	ALD-MCP, ALD镀膜厚度: D2			
MCP厂家	厂家1	厂家1	厂家2	厂家2
MCP电子清刷剂量	0.75 $\mu\text{A}\cdot\text{h}/\text{cm}^2$	0.87 $\mu\text{A}\cdot\text{h}/\text{cm}^2$	0.75 $\mu\text{A}\cdot\text{h}/\text{cm}^2$	0.87 $\mu\text{A}\cdot\text{h}/\text{cm}^2$



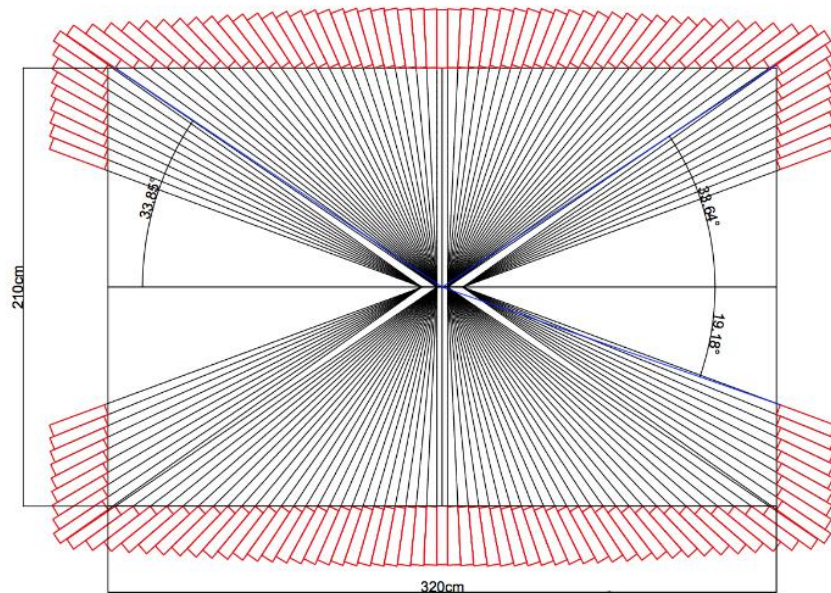
BTOF : DTOF in Barrel (new baseline for barrel PID)

- **Design of a barrel PID detector based on the DTOF technology is available (BTOF)**
 - 12 sectors with 2 modules placed longitudinally in each sector, 24 quartz plates in total
 - Quartz plate parameters : $R = 875\text{mm}$ $H = 20\text{mm}$ $L = 1350\text{mm}$ $D = 450\text{mm}$
 - Inner side of a quartz plate is coated with light absorbing layer while the outer side is equipped with 15 SiPMs for readout
- **Performance with full simulation mostly meets PID requirements. Ongoing effort to optimize the design by scanning a variety of key parameters**
- **A full-length BTOF prototype has been built and tested with particle beams**

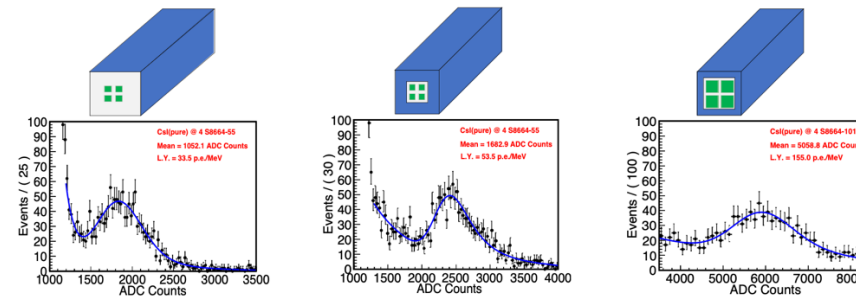


Electro-Magnetic Calorimeter : EMC

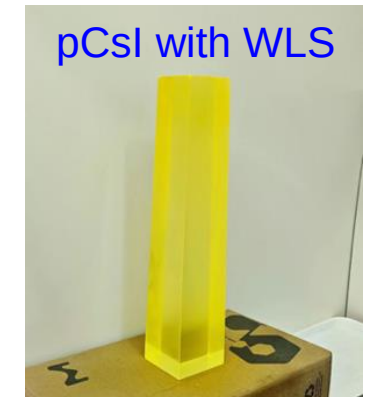
- A crystal calorimeter using pCsl (short decay time of 30ns) to tackle the high background rate (~ 1 MHz/crystal)
 - Crystal size: 28cm ($15X_0$), $5 \times 5 \text{ cm}^2$
 - Defocused layout: 6732 crystals in barrel, 1938 crystals in endcaps
 - 4 large area APDs to address low light yield: $4 \times (1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2)$



A very low light yield of 3.6% for pCsl $\rightarrow$ a major R&D task : enhance the light yield of a pCsl unit

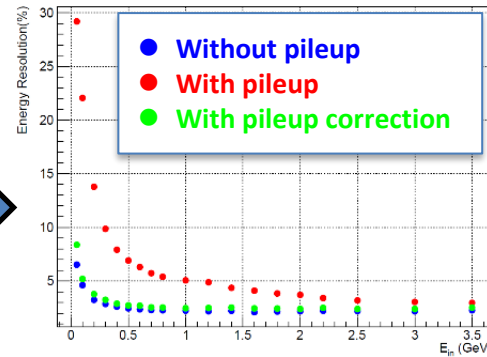
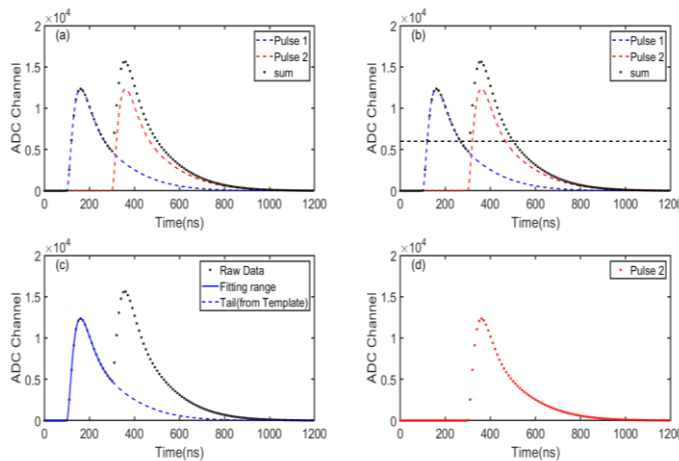


Light yield : 50 p.e./MeV $\rightarrow$ 300 p.e./MeV

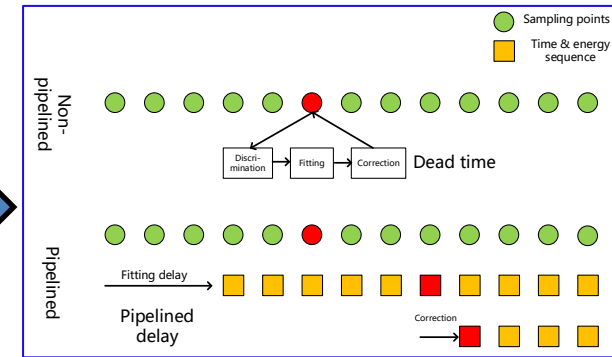


EMC : Pileup Mitigation and Electronics

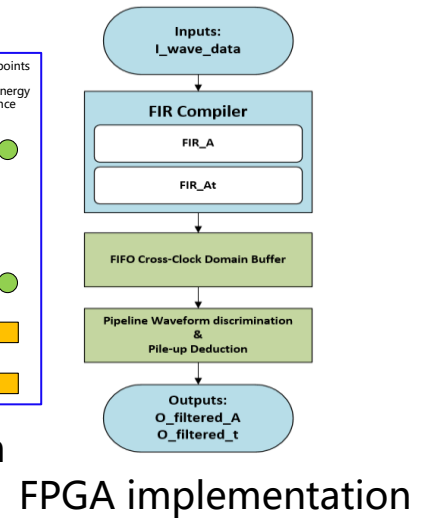
- Significant pileup in EMC in the presence of beam background (~ 1 MHz/ch). A dead-time free pileup correction algorithm involving waveform fitting based on pipelined optimal filtering has been developed and implemented in FPGA



Very effective in mitigating the pileup effect

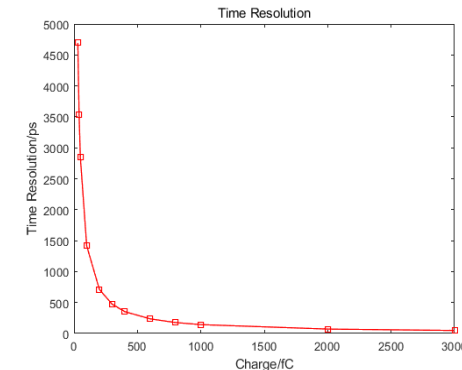
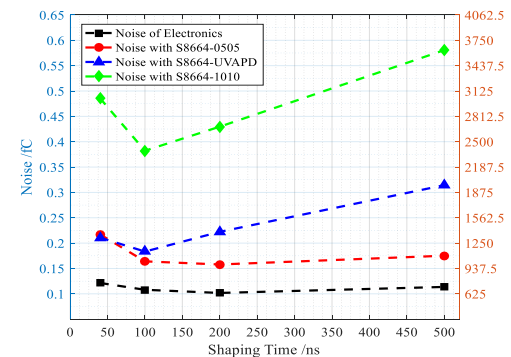


Pipelined correction algorithm



FPGA implementation

- Development of waveform digitization electronics (CSA + shaper + ADC)



- Dynamic range
3 MeV $\sim$ 3 GeV
- ENE : ~ 0.5 MeV
- Time resolution
< 150 ps@1GeV

5 × 5 pCsI EMC Prototype

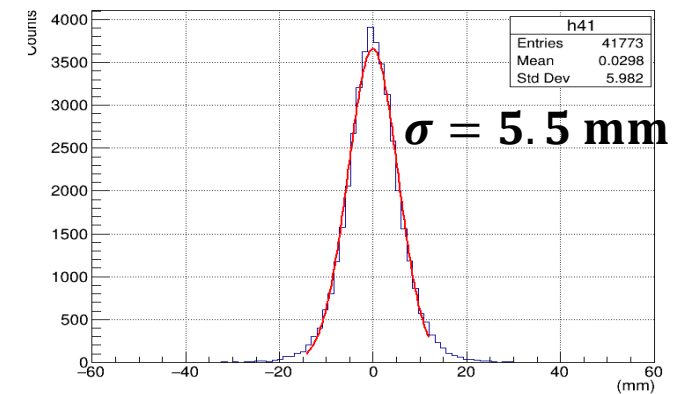
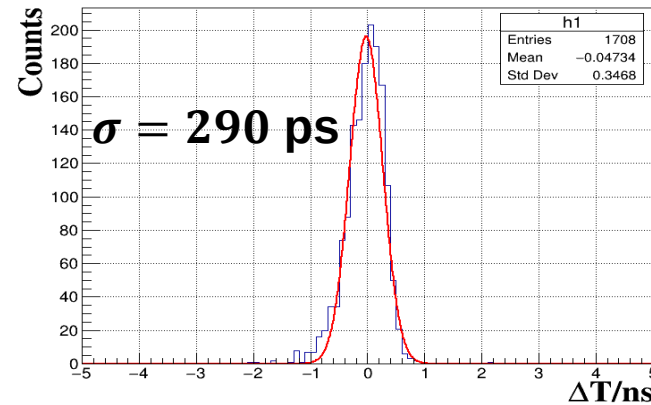
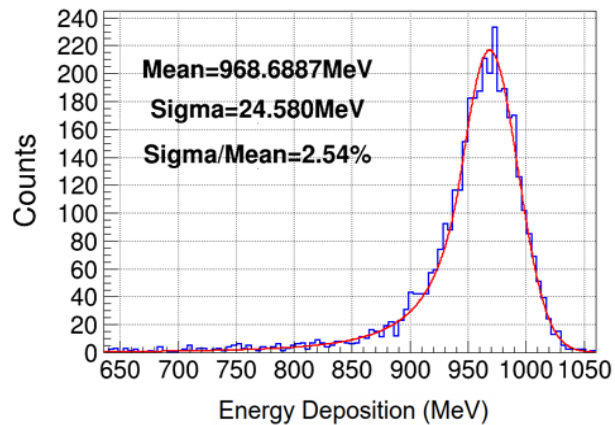
EMC prototype in the making



Beam test at CERN PS

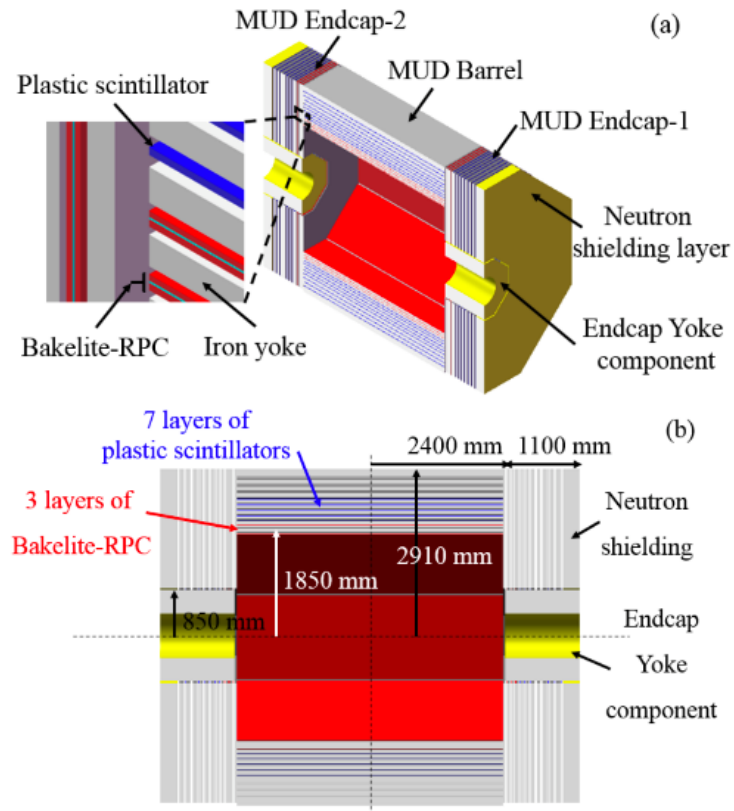


Performance from the beam test with 1 GeV/c electrons



Muon Detector

- A hybrid design with RPC and scintillator strips for optimal overall muon and neutral hadron identification performance
 - RPC for inner 3 layers : not sensitive to background
 - Scintillator for outer 7 layers: sensitive to hadrons

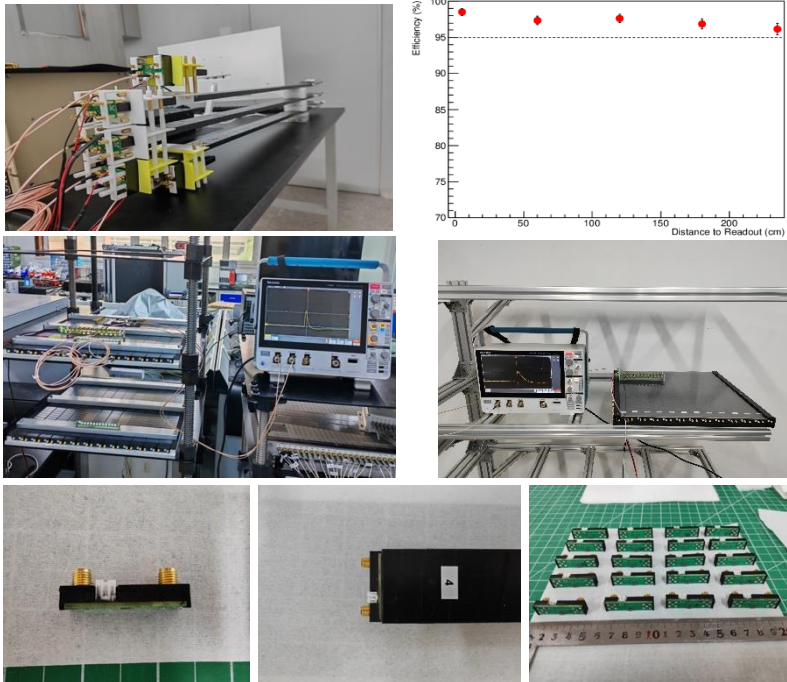


Parameter	Baseline design
R_{in} [cm]	185
R_{out} [cm]	291
R_e [cm]	85
L_{Barrel} [cm]	480
T_{Endcap} [cm]	107
Segmentation in ϕ	8
Number of detector layers	10
Iron yoke thickness [cm] ($\lambda=16.77$ cm)	4/4/4.5/4.5/6/6/6/8/8 cm Total: 51 cm, 3.04λ
Solid angle	$79.2\% \times 4\pi$ in barrel $14.8\% \times 4\pi$ in endcap $94\% \times 4\pi$ in total
Total area [m ²]	Barrel ~ 717 Endcap ~ 520 Total ~ 1237

MUD R&D

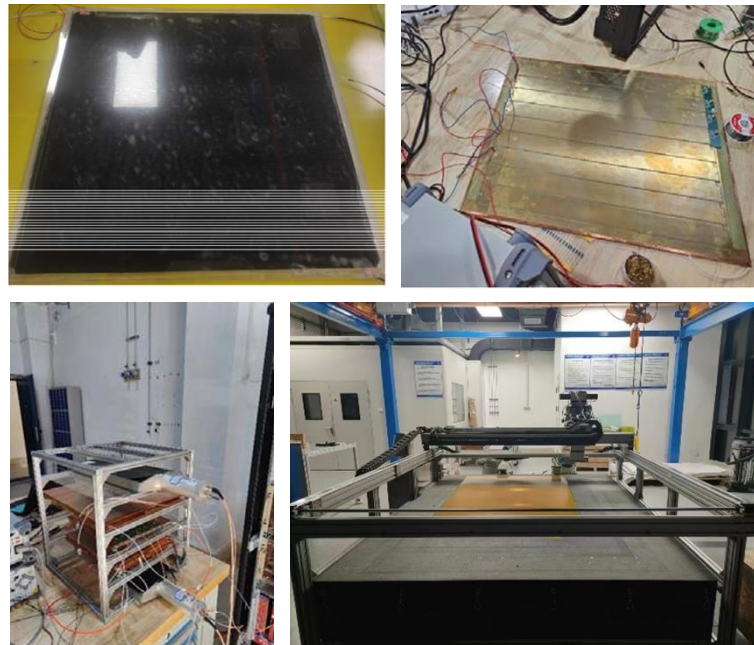
Scintillator strip + WLS + SiPM

- Design and fabrication of the scintillator unit : reflector, fiber groove, optical coupling, surface processing.
- Fabricated 2.4 long scintillator units (efficiency > 95%) and a 50×50 cm² scintillator strip array



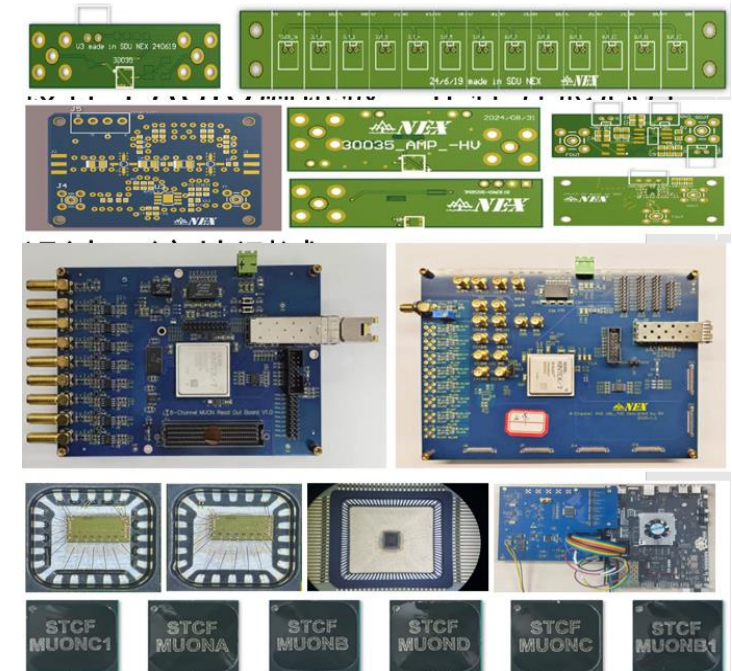
Glass RPC

- Developed glass RPC fabrication techniques and built a 40×40 cm² glass prototype.
- Focusing on low-resistivity glass RPC for high count rate capabilities. Built some small prototypes.



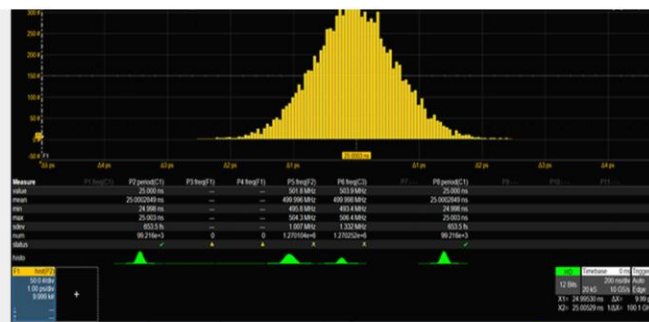
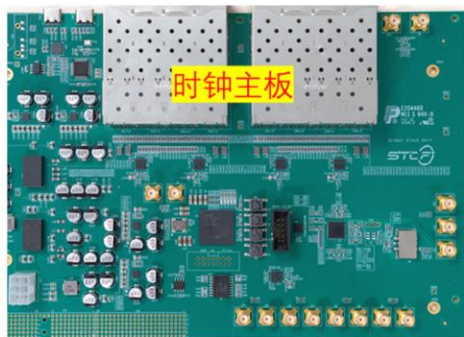
Readout Electronics

- Developed front-end amplifiers and readout boards. Tested with detector prototypes.
- Designed front-end ASICs for different input capacitance and gains. Prototype chips being tested

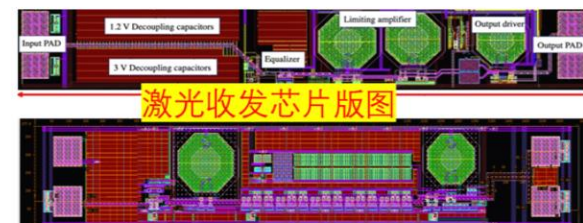
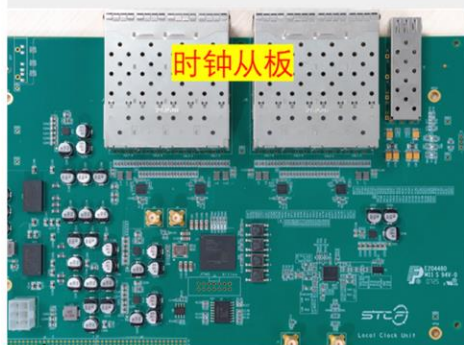


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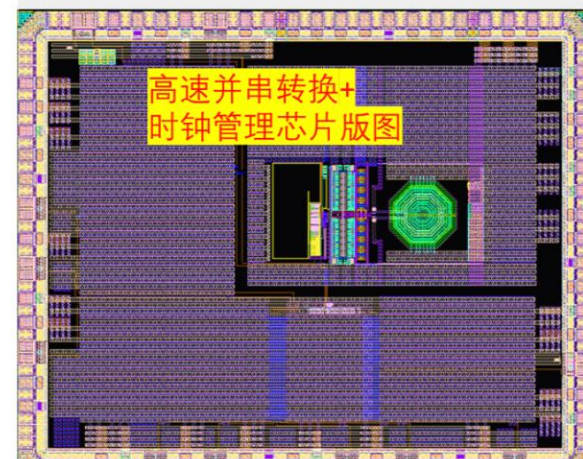
- Clock distribution system providing precise and stable clock signals with jitter < 5ps RMS
- High-speed serial data transmission: a GBTx-like ASIC, ADTC, uplink ~5Gbps



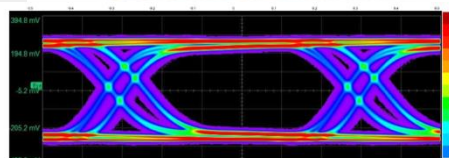
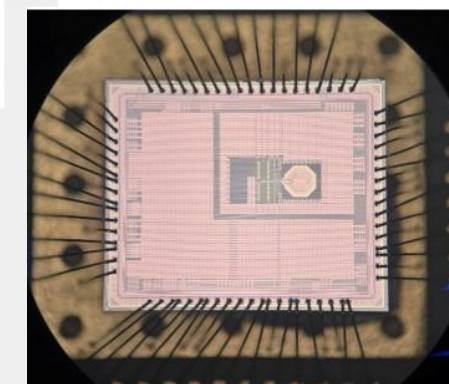
周期抖动 < 1 ps RMS @40 MHz



激光收发芯片版图



高速并串转换+时钟管理芯片版图



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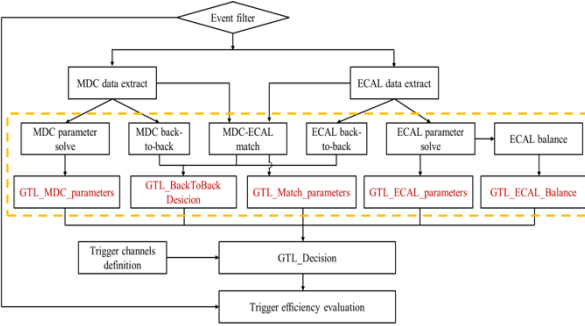
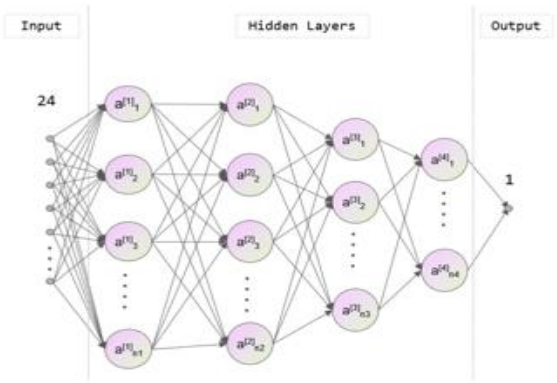
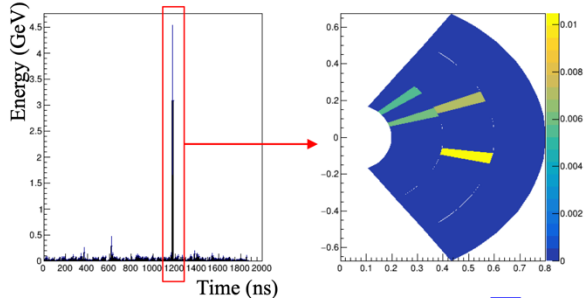
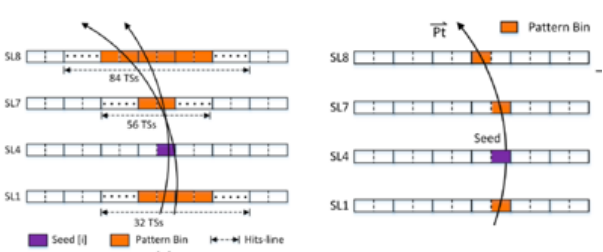
串行数据传输, 误码率 < 5e-14 (PRBS-31)

- Completed the design and test of clock distribution modules in a "master-slave" architecture
- Clock jitter tested ~1ps RMS
- joined the upcoming combined beam test

- Designed SerDes and clock managing modules in ADTC, and optical modules. Chips received and tested

Trigger : Algorithms Studies and Development

- STCF trigger scheme : L1 (MDC, ECAL and global trigger) + HLT
- L1-MDC trigger algorithms: 2D track reconstruction (track finding and parameters (pt, θ , ϕ , t) estimation) using pattern matching , 2D short-track reconstruction incorporating stereo layers using NN, Z impact parameter estimation using NN
- L1-ECAL trigger algorithms : overlapping events resolving, cluster reconstruction and splitting (E, θ , ϕ , t)
- L1 global trigger : track and cluster matching, event T0 estimation, trigger menus for charged and neutral channels
- HLT : currently focusing on MDC HLT aiming to remove noise hits and reduce event size

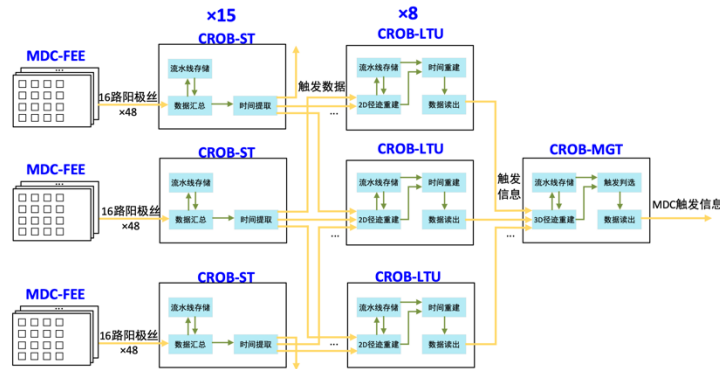


Background trigger rate < 50 kHz

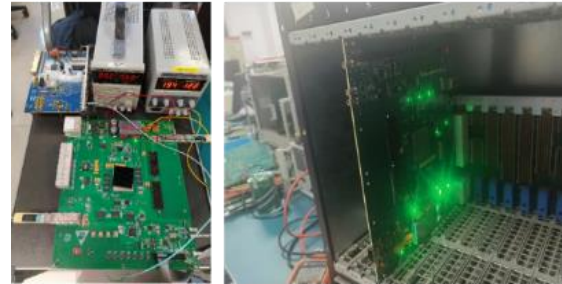
Trigger channel	Physics signal	Energy point	Background trigger rate(kHz)	Signal trigger rate
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	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$; $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	4.26GeV		99.8%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	4.26GeV		98.2%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$; $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$	3.097GeV		99.0%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$; $J/\psi \rightarrow \Xi \bar{\Xi}$	3.097GeV		99.1%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^- J/\psi$; $J/\psi \rightarrow l^+l^-$	4.682GeV		100%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow D_0 \bar{D}_0$	3.773GeV		100%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow D^+ D^-$	3.773GeV		100%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow D_s^+ D_s^-$	4.04GeV		100%
	J/psi -> inclusive	3.097GeV	46.6	97.7%
中性道	J/psi-> gam invisible	3.097GeV	39.4	99.7%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow n \bar{n}$	3.097GeV		97.6%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{gam } n \bar{n}$	3.097GeV		99.7%
	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{gam } n \bar{n}(\text{ISR})$	3.713GeV		93.1%
亮度监测道	RBB	4.26GeV		98.4%

Trigger : Hardware Development

- Design of trigger hardware architecture. Development of various core trigger hardware components (CROB-ST, CROB-LTU, CROB-MGT/EGT, CTM, FMC ...) . FPGA implementation of L1 trigger algorithms.
- A prototype L1 trigger system has been designed and built to demonstrate the trigger system design and its performance. An event simulator has been developed to generate pseudo data for the prototype trigger system.
- The prototype system has participated in the recent combined beam test at CERN



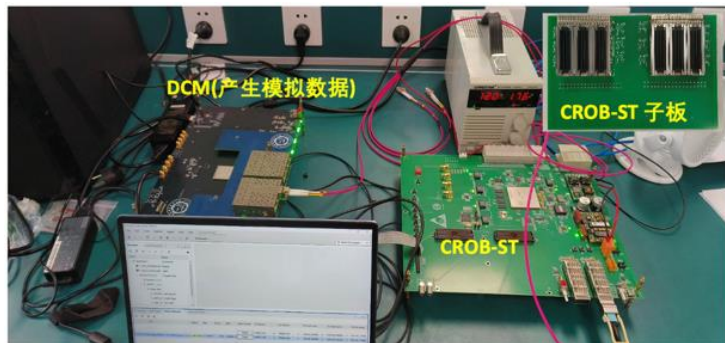
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数据产生板机箱测试



FMC+子板



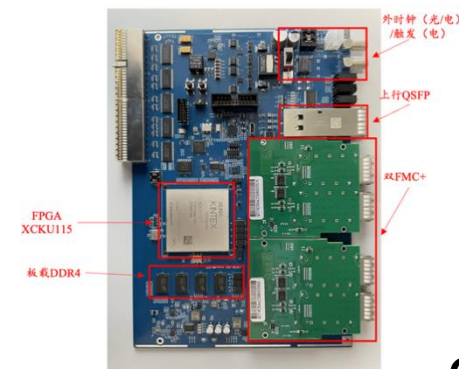
CTM板



DAQ Design and Development

- System architecture based on Data-Matrix: flow processing, hetero-computing, standard interfaces and protocols, global pipeline
- Software and firmware development
- Development of core electronics boards: CROB-PXI, CROB-PCIe, FMCP optical interface board
- System testing and performance evaluation using simulation data
- A prototype DAQ system has participated in a recent combined beam test

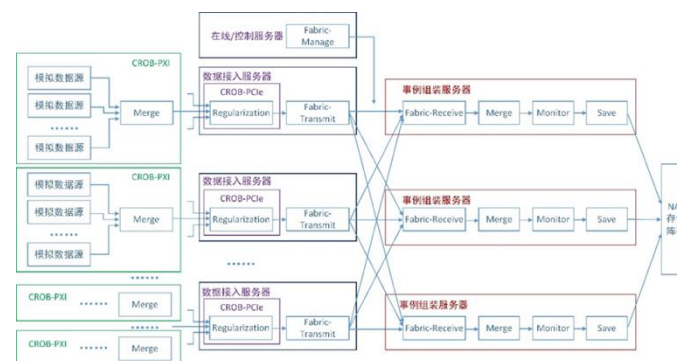
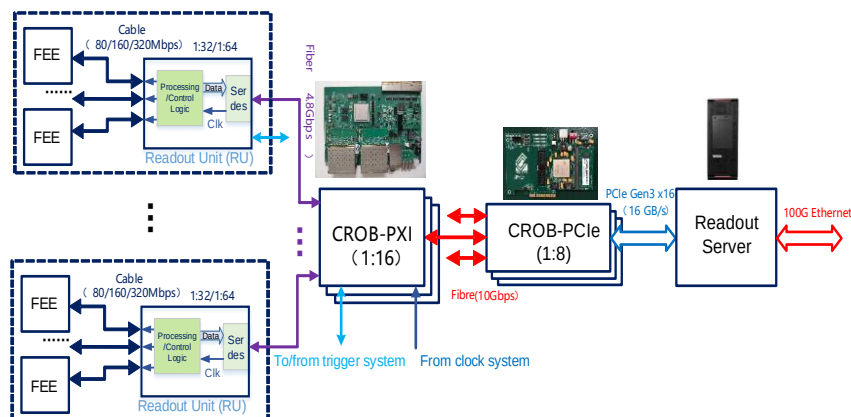
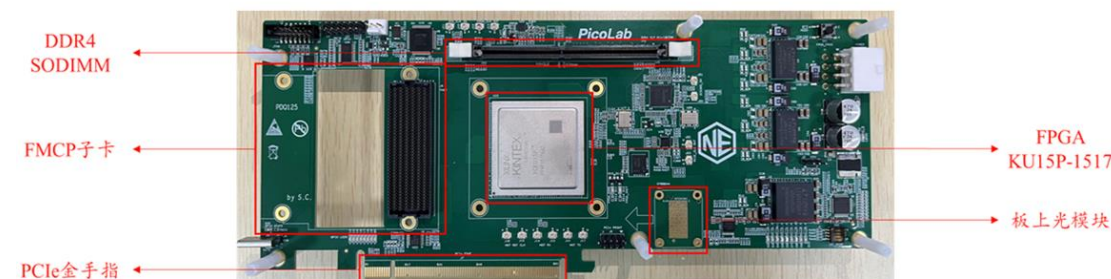
CROB-PXI board



FMCP optical interface board



CROB-PCIe board

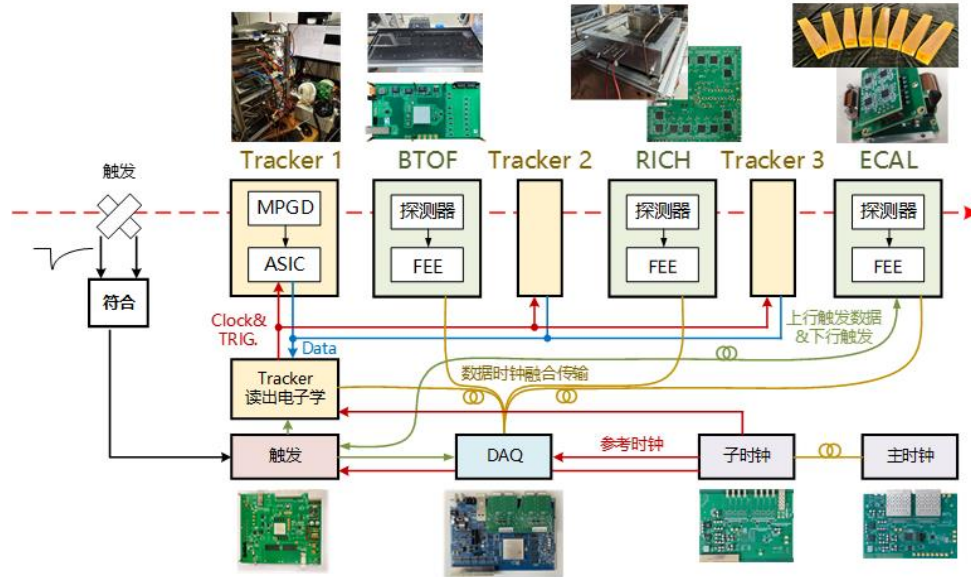


Test of event building

- 12 rack servers
 - 9 servers: readout+ 4 event builders
 - 3 servers: 4 event builders
- 33 simulated data sources
 - 17 big-frame sources: 20~32kB/frame
 - 16 small-frame source: 135 Byte/frame

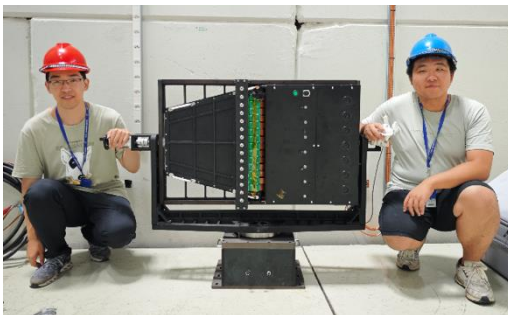
Combined Beam Tests

Two test beam campaigns for combined systems (ITK, RICH, DTOF, EMC, Clock, Trigger, DAQ)



CERN PS T9 beam line (Aug. 2025 & Oct. 2025)

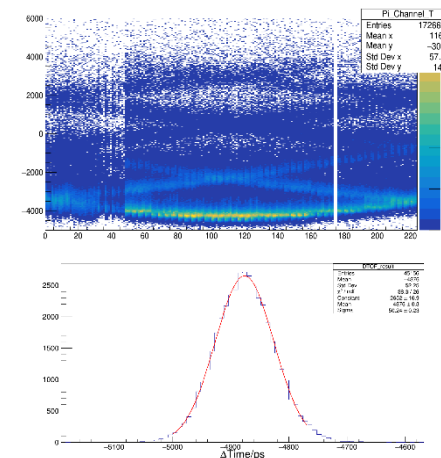
DTOF Prototype



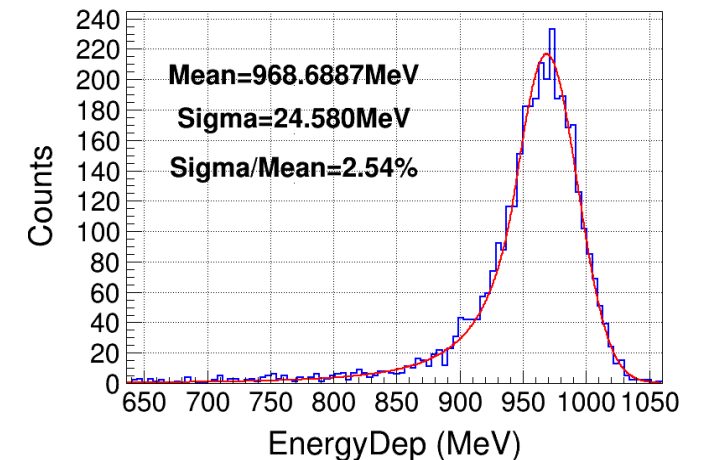
EMC Prototype



DTOF: $\sigma_t \sim 25$ ps

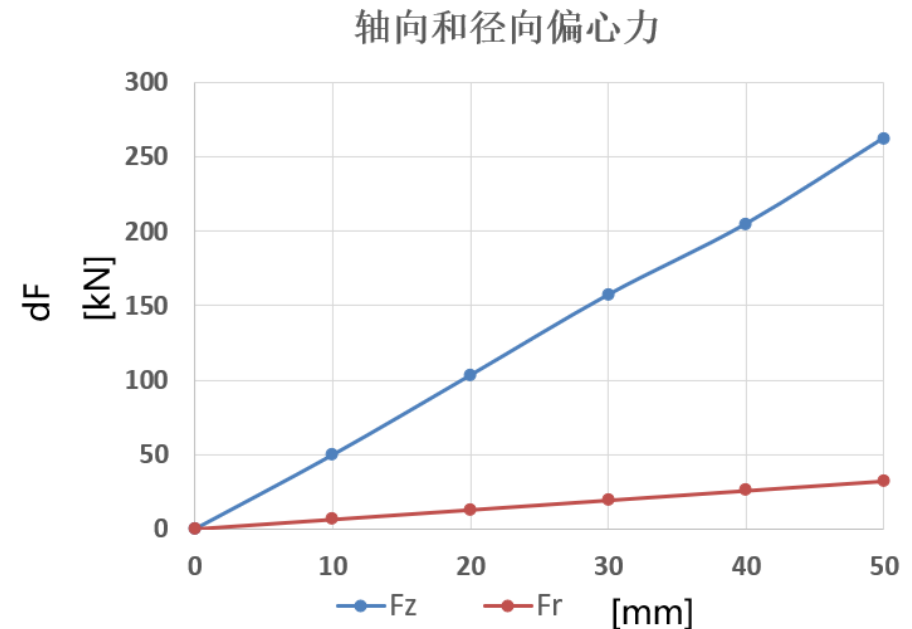
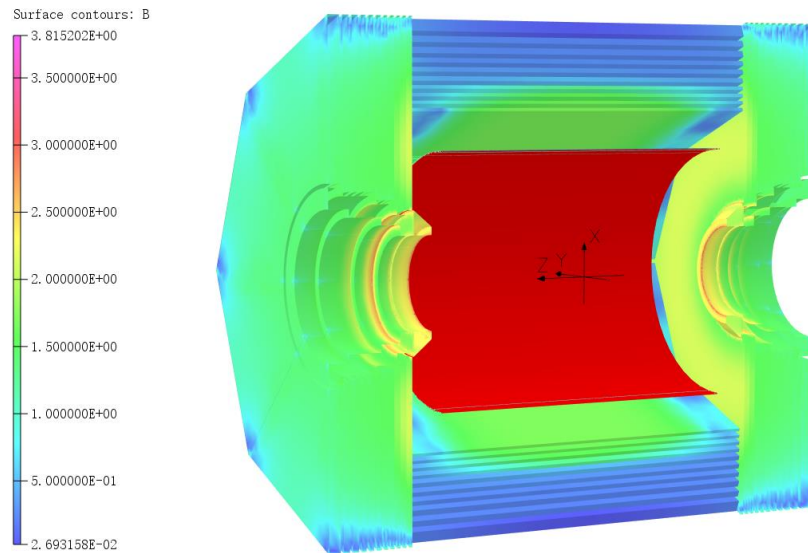


EMC: $\sigma_E/E \sim 2.5\%$



Super-conducting Solenoid Magnet

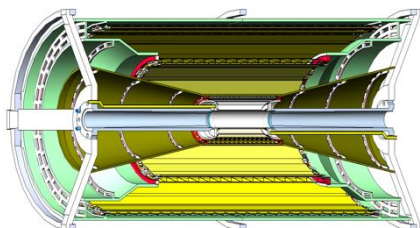
- Optimized the physics design of the magnet by performing FEA of magnet field and unbalanced forces.
- Studied impact of non-uniformity of the magnetic field on tracking performance and solutions to improve magnetic field homogeneity.
- Designing the magnet support structure using carbon fiber. Investigating heat leakage issue.
- Studying cryogenic forced circulation and thermosiphon schemes with FEA.



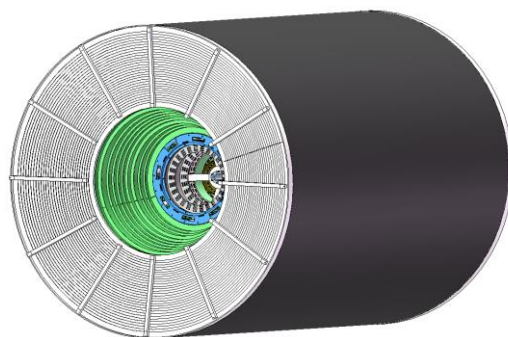
Detector Mechanical Design

- Detector conceptual design has been transferred into engineering drawings
- Engineering design available for each sub-detector or system
- Design studies on detector assembly and installation

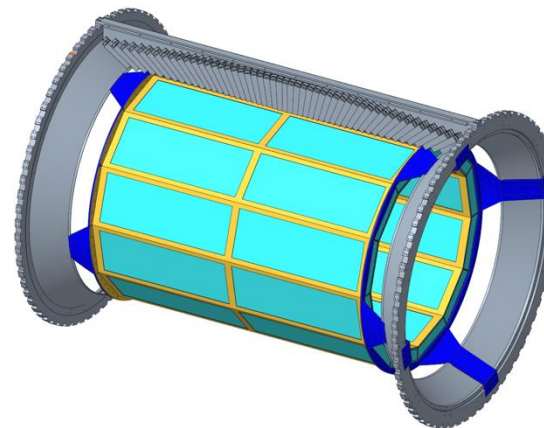
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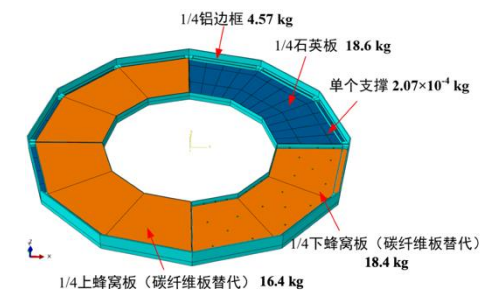
MDC



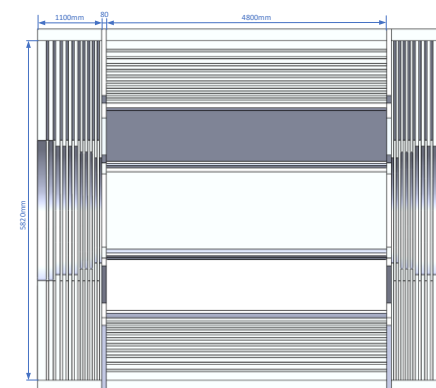
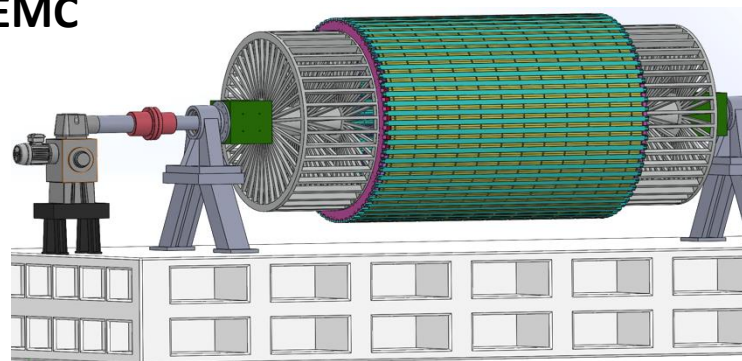
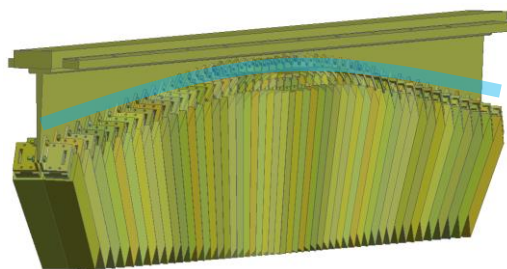
RICH



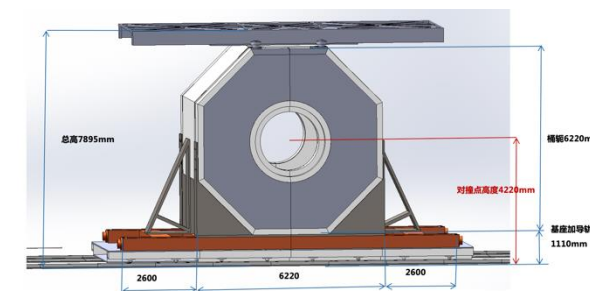
DTOF



EMC

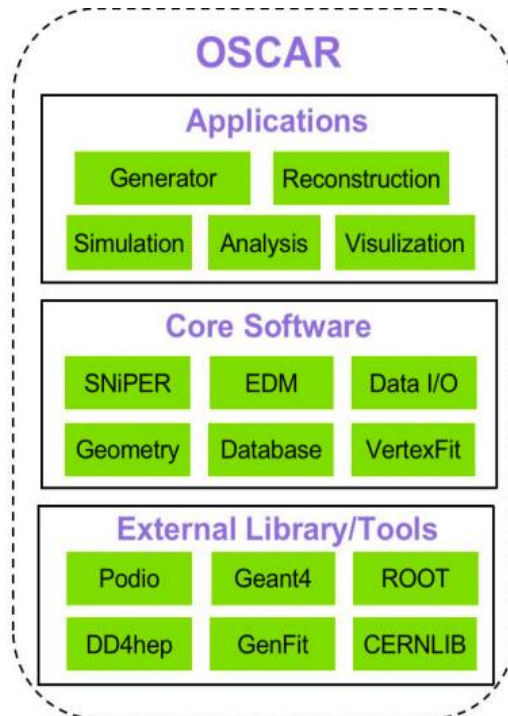


Iron Yoke



Offline Software and Full Simulation

- The full chain of event generation, full simulation, digitization, reconstruction and analysis has been established in the STCF offline software framework, OSCAR, for detector and physics studies. Full-simulation data production has been launched for detector performance validation and optimization, and TDR physics studies.
- Software and algorithms (simulation, digitization, reconstruction, PID ...) continue to improve on both precision and resource demand (CPU, disk).

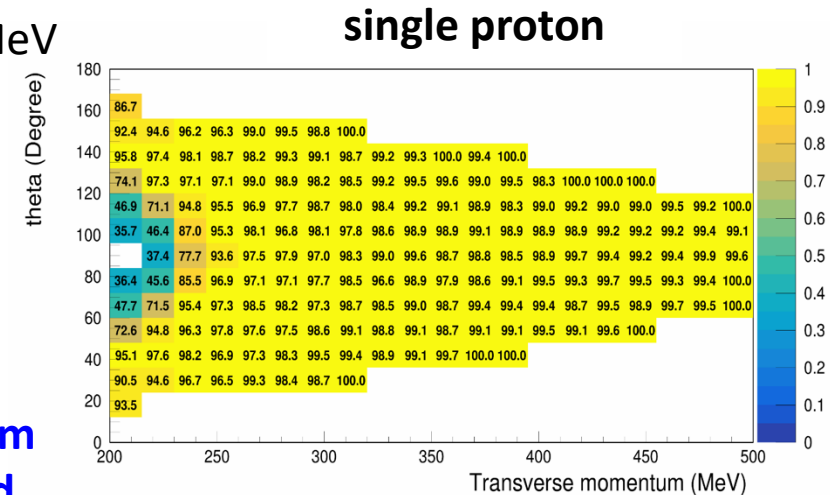
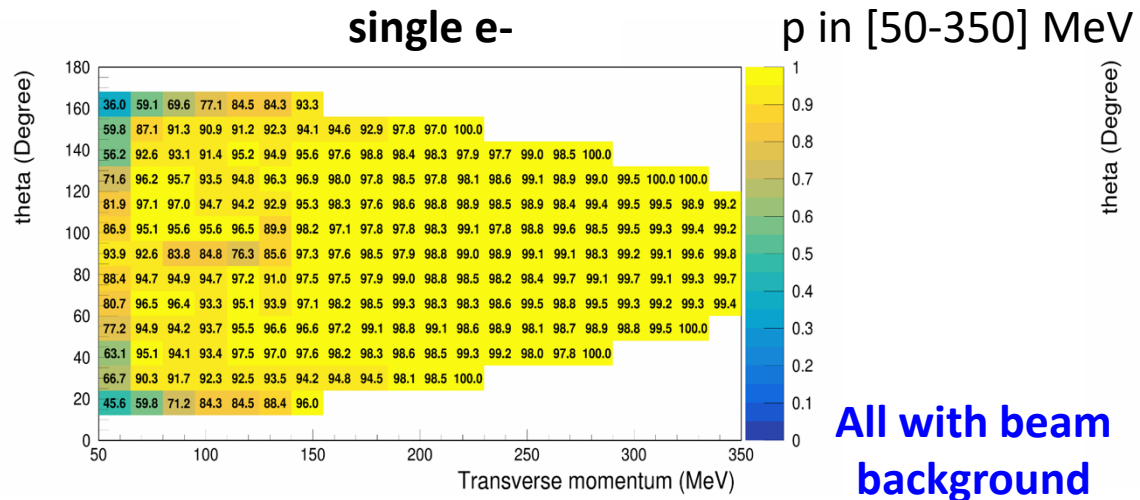


- ✓ Good state
- ✓ Under optimization
- ✓ Under development

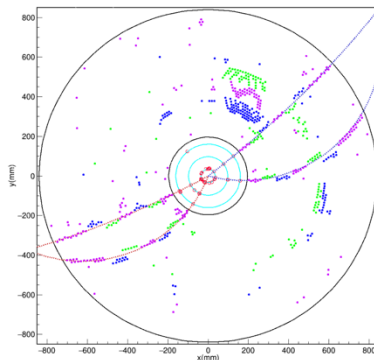
Detectors	Simulation	Digitization	Reconstruction	Analysis tools		
				Global PID	Traditional combined PID	Kinematic& Vertex Fit
ITK	✓	✓	✓	Charged tracks: ✓ Neutral tracks: ✓	✓	✓
MDC	✓	✓	✓			
RICH	✓	✓	✓			
DTOF	✓	✓	✓			
BTOF	✓	✓	✓			
EMC	✓	✓	✓			
MUD	✓	✓	✓			

Tracking Efficiency for Prompt Tracks

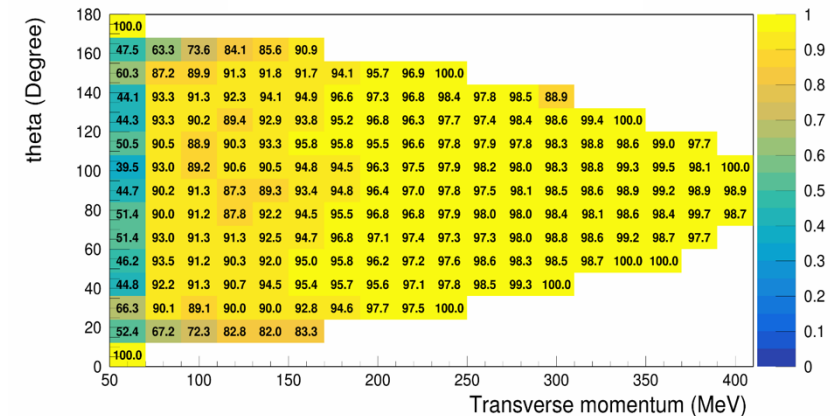
- Tracking performance for prompt tracks has been well consolidated with $> 90\%$ tracking efficiency for $p_T > 75$ MeV for both single particles (e, μ, π) and particles in physics events in the presence of beam background.



$$\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$$



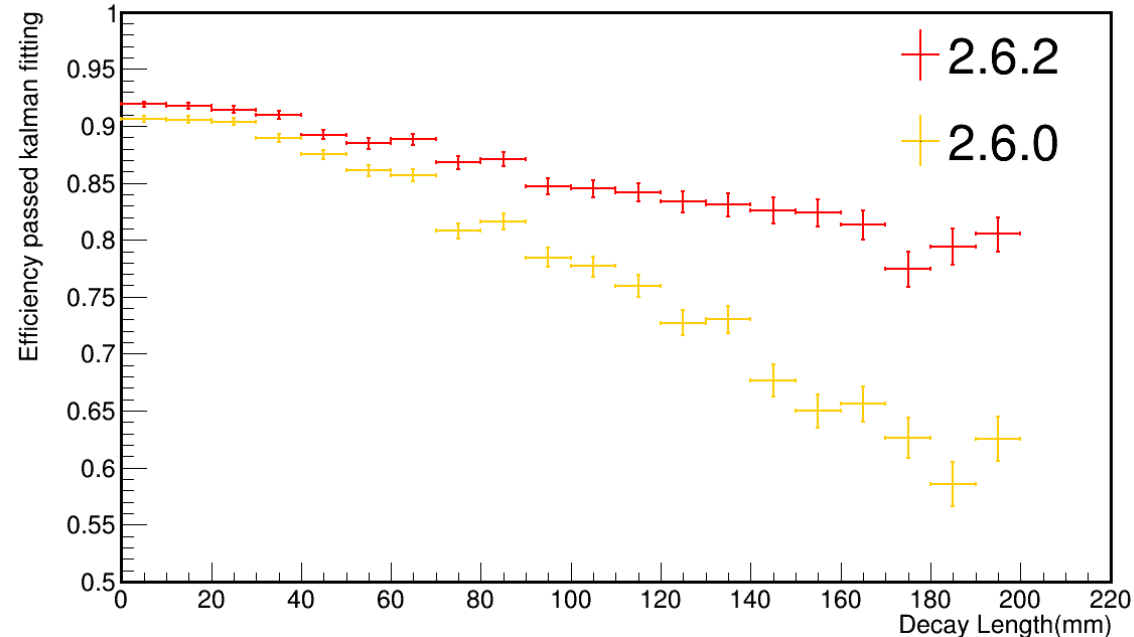
$$\pi^- \text{ in } \psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$$



Tracking Efficiency for Displaced Tracks

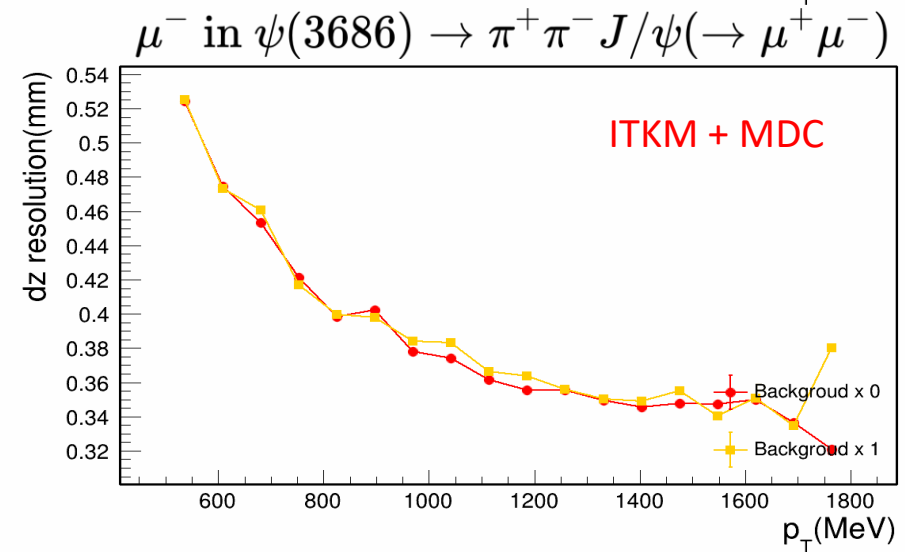
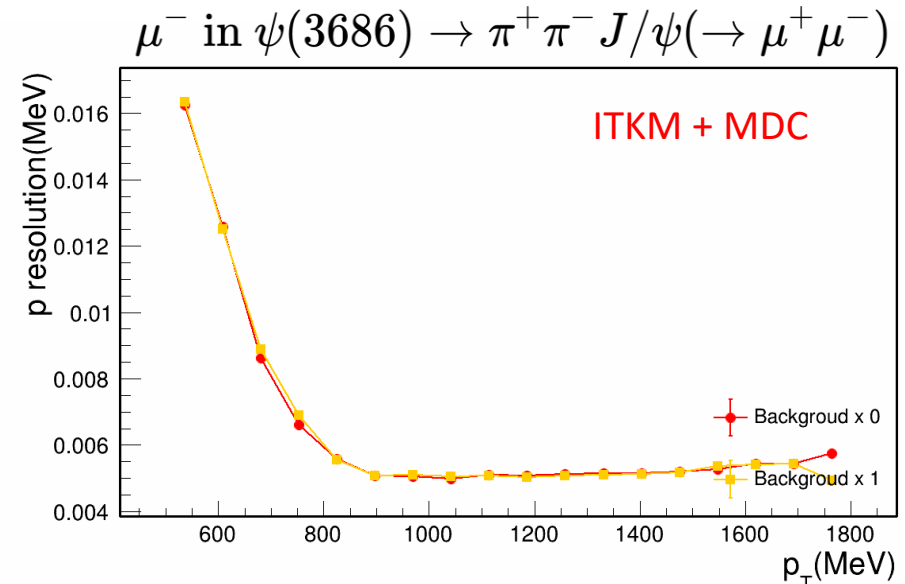
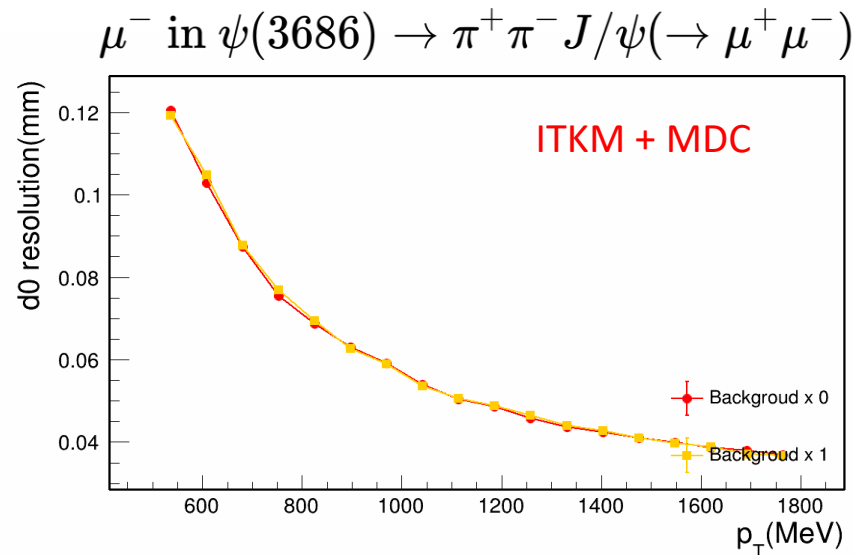
- Much improved performance for long-lived particles (Lambda, Xi) produced even in a complex scenario with low pT and displaced tracks
- Reconstruction of displaced tracks has been addressed by using additional Hough transform that takes a displaced segment position as the reference point.
- >80% tracking efficiency for particles with decay length up to 200 mm

$$\pi^- \text{ in } J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p \bar{p} \pi^+ \pi^-$$



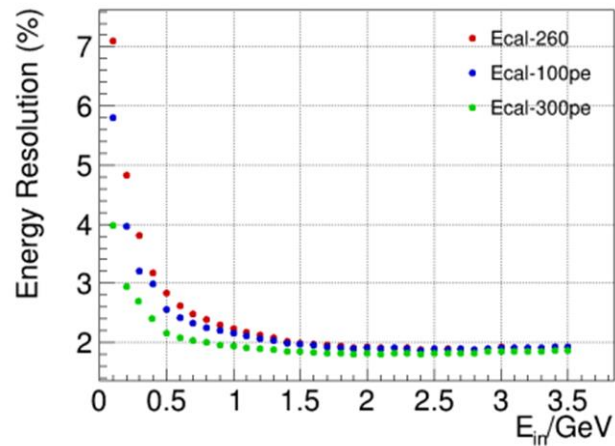
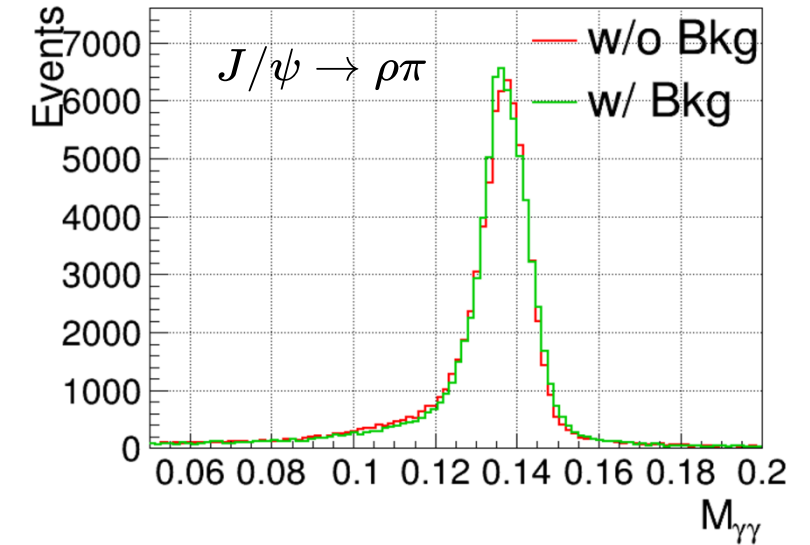
Momentum and Impact Parameter Resolution

- Momentum resolution is $\sim 0.5\%$ at $p_T = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Resolution of impact parameters, d_0 and z_0 , can reach 40 um and 350 um for $p_T > 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

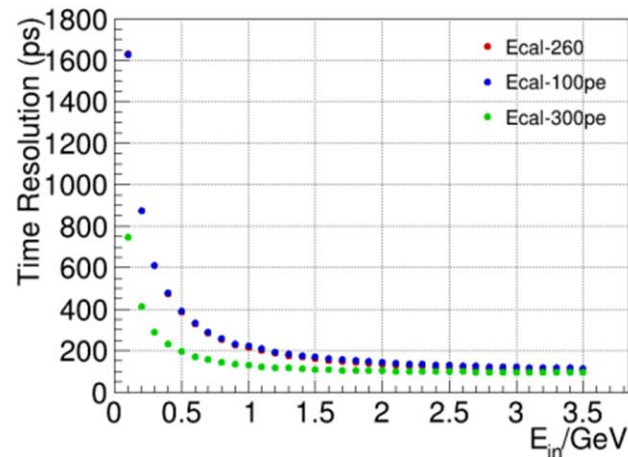


Photon Performance

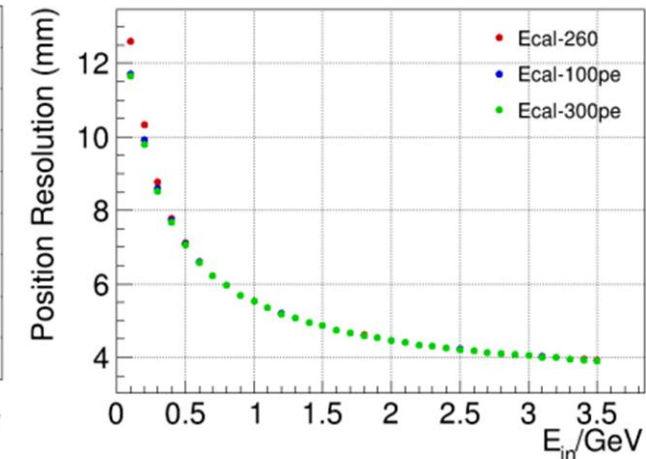
- EMC digitization algorithm has been optimized with 50% reduction of CPU time
- Using realistic digitization parameters from beam test results
- Incorporated time in the EMC clustering algorithm to improve photon resolution against beam background
 - No degradation on π^0 resolution in the presence of beam background



Energy



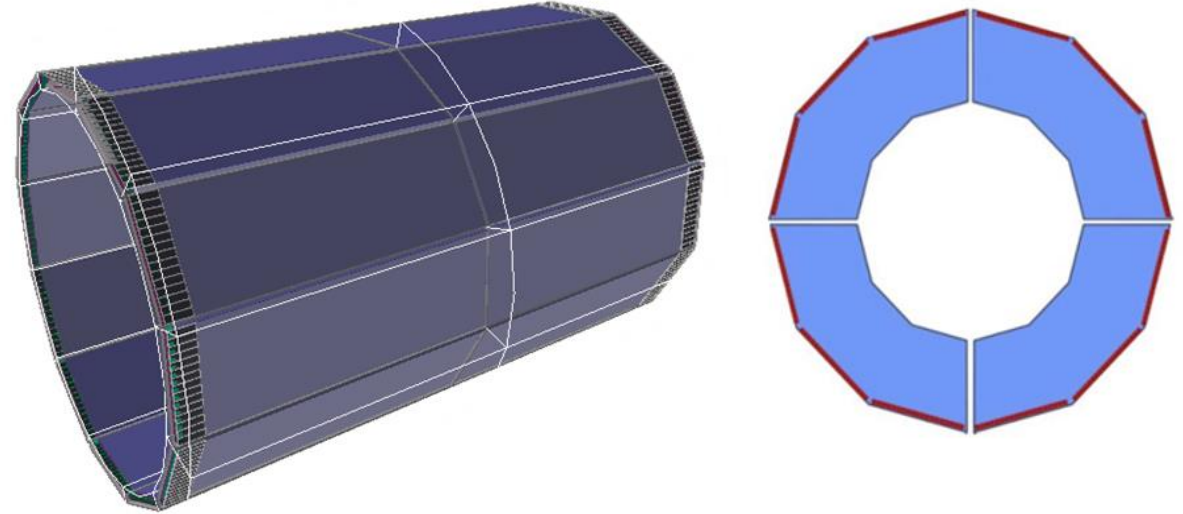
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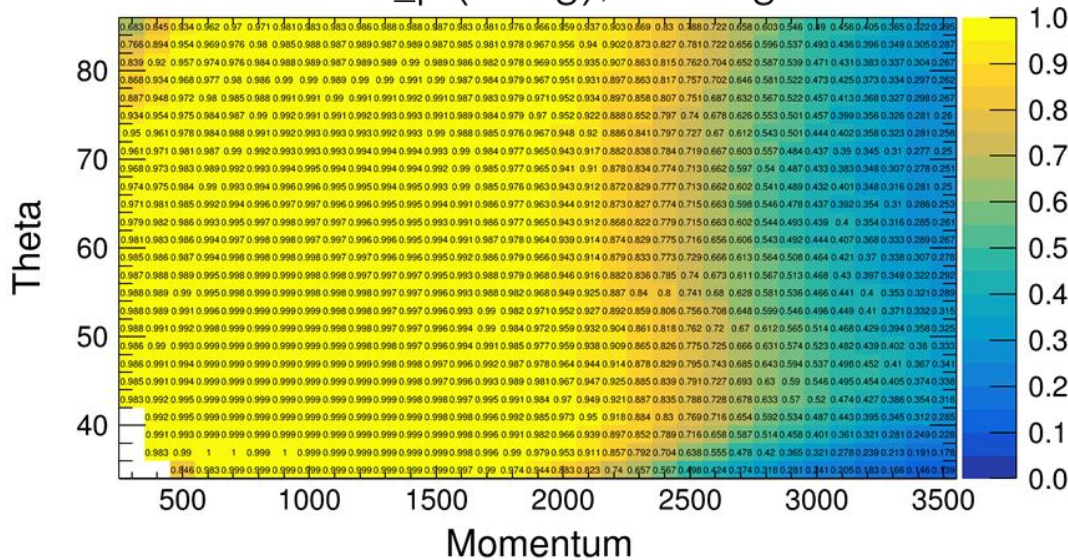
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π/K PID Performance (BTOF&DTOF)

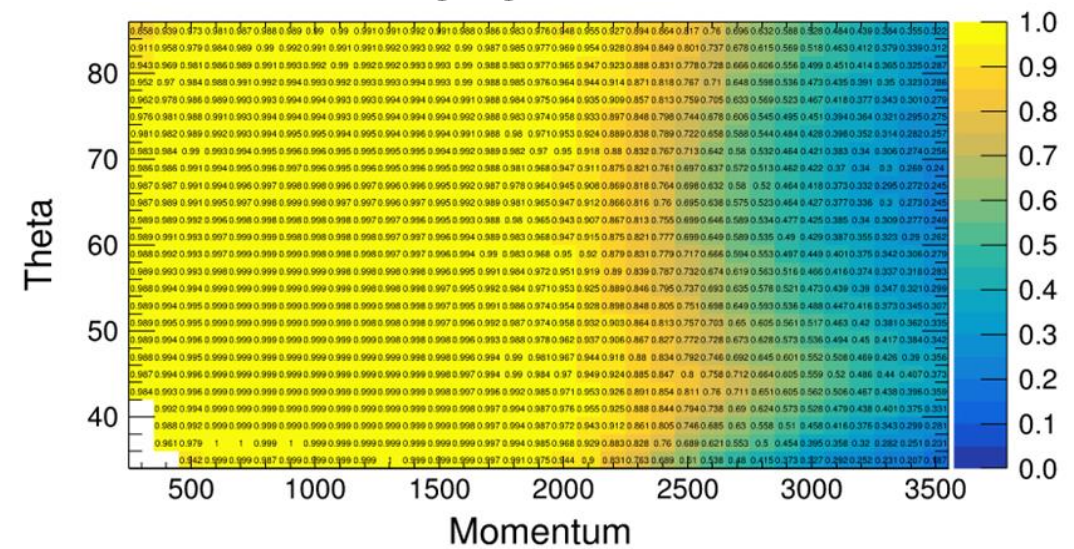
- Developed the full simulation, digitization and reconstruction chain for BTOF and DTOF.
- The performance fulfills the STCF requirement (>97% π eff @ K mis-ID=2% at 2 GeV/c)
- BTOF and DTOF geometries are being optimized to further improve its PID performance



Effi_pi(1 Bkg), timing method

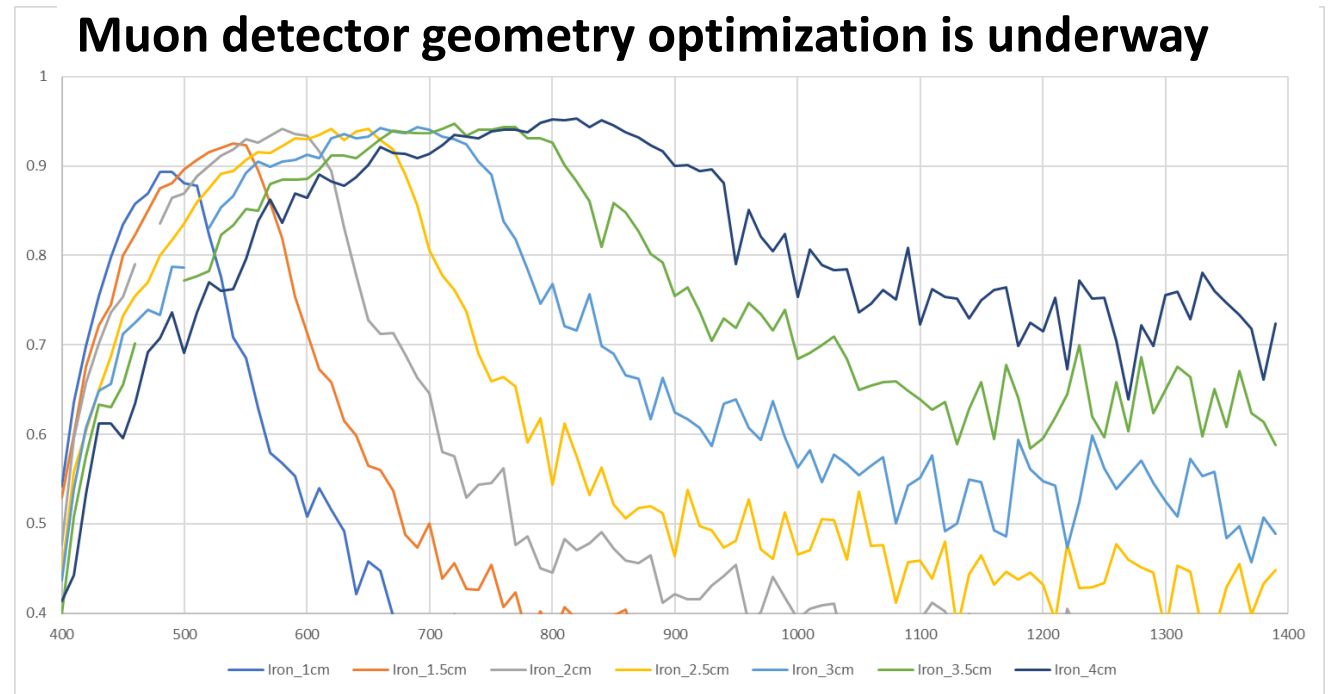
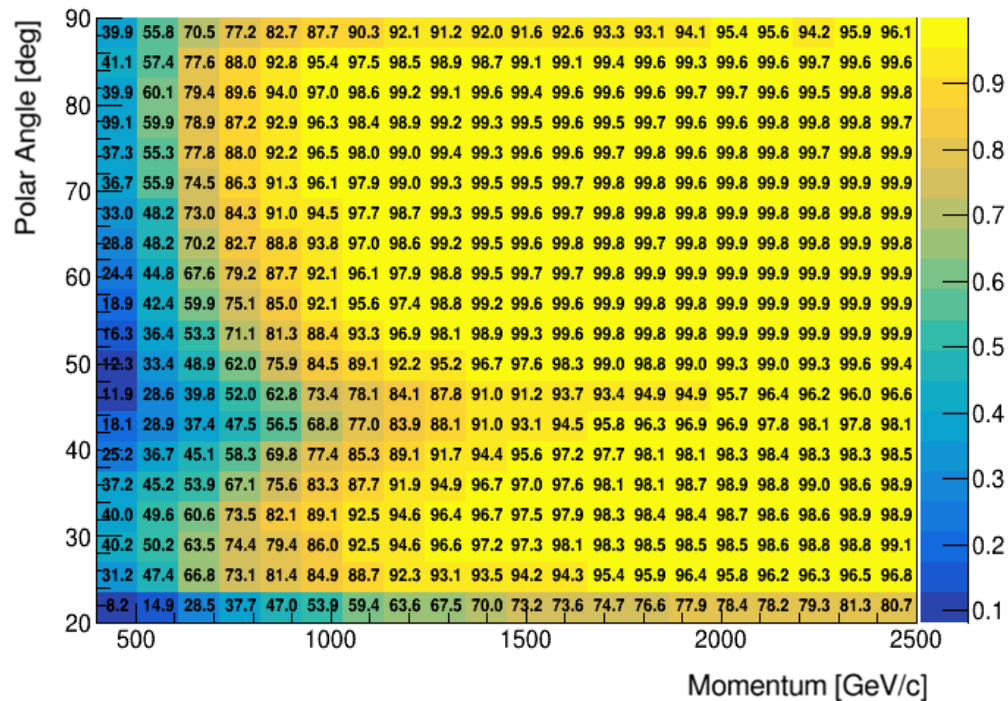


Imaging method



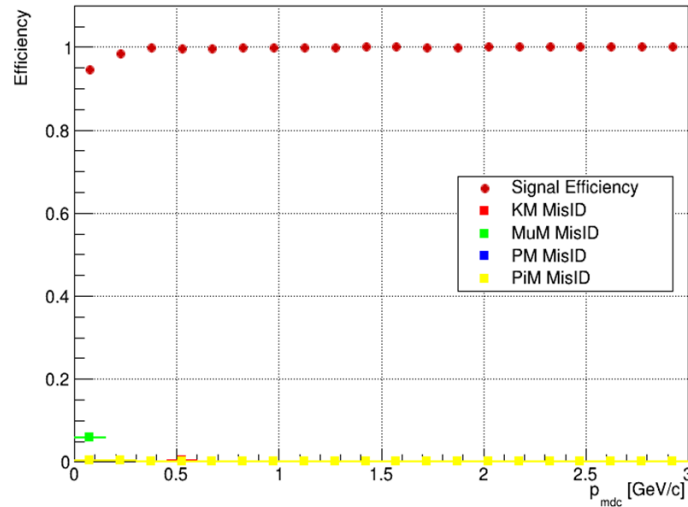
μ/π PID Performance (MUD)

- μ/π identification using BDT on full simulation and realistic digitization
 - μ efficiency is above 95% @ π suppression = 30 with momentum above 1 GeV in barrel region
- Identification of neutral hadrons (n , K_L) against photon is being optimized

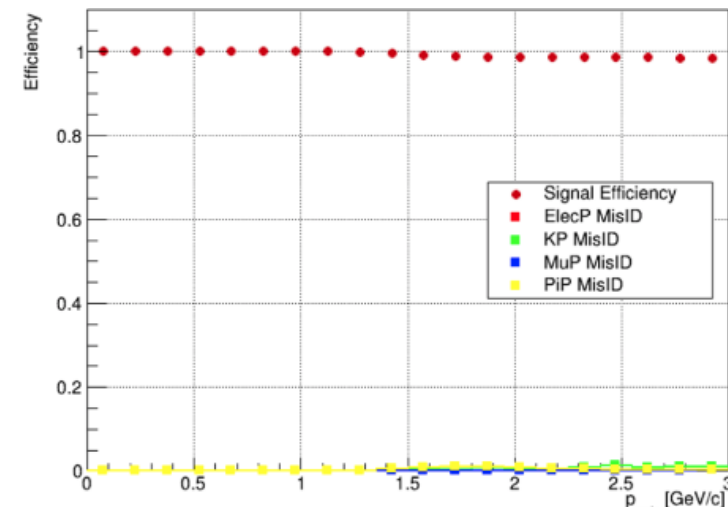


Global PID Performance

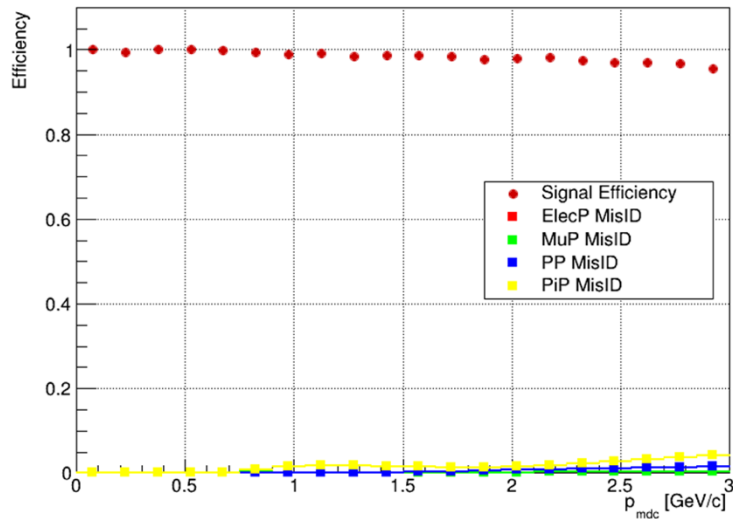
e identification against K/ μ /p/ π



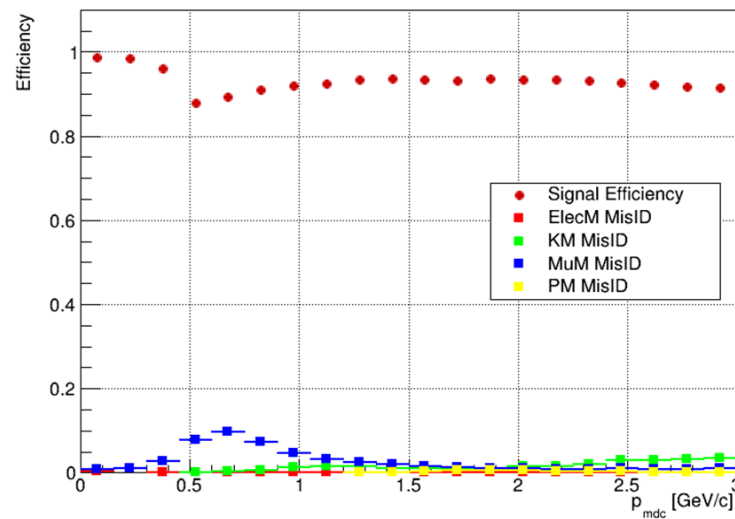
proton identification against e/K/ μ / π



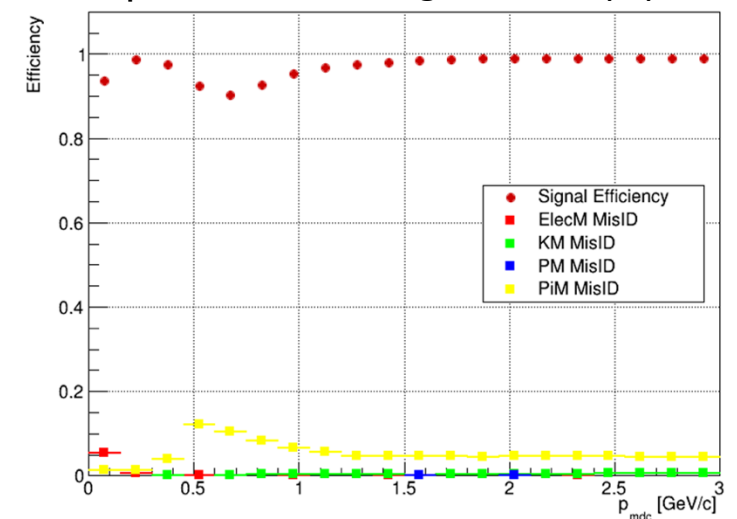
K identification against e/ μ /p/ π



π identification against e/K/ μ /p



μ identification against e/K/p/ π



International Collaboration and Exchanges



LHCb TORCH team



CERN thin film workshop



CERN GDD



KEK accelerator experts



BINP accelerator experts



BINP management

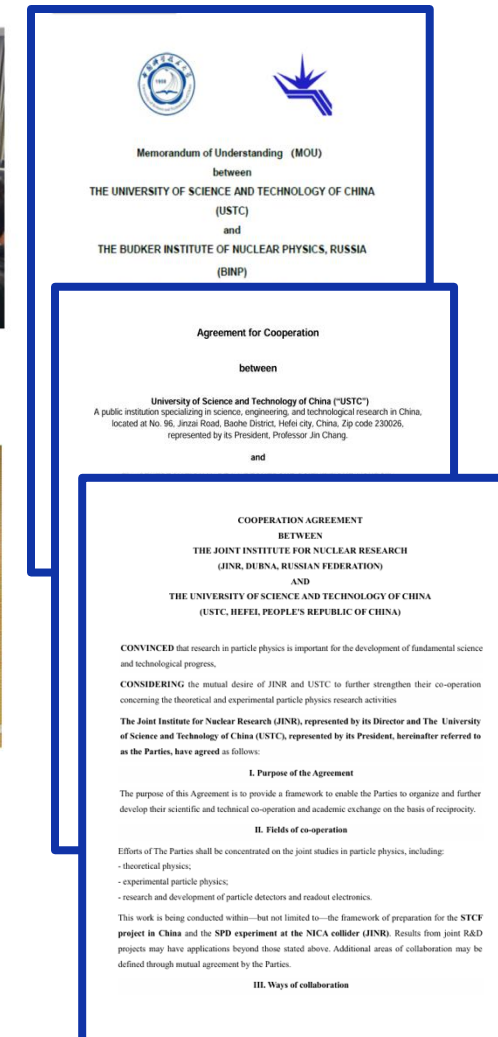


JINR detector experts



CERN accelerator experts

Signed MoU for collaboration with BINP, JINR, IJCLab, KEK



International Workshops on Future Tau-Charm Facilities

Time	Place	Content
2015.01	Hefei, China	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in China
2018.03	Beijing, China	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in China
2018.05	Novosibirsk, Russia	International Workshop focused on Super tau-Charm Facility in Russia
2018.12	Paris, France	1 st FTCTF (Joint International Workshop)
2019.08	Moscow, Russia	2 nd FTCTF
2020.11	Online, China	3 rd FTCTF
2021.11	Online, Russia	4 th FTCTF
2024.01	Hefei, China	5 th FTCTF
2024.11	Guangzhou, China	6 th FTCTF



STCF Workshops and Meetings

(National) STCF Workshops

Time	Place	Content
2018.10	Hengyang (USC)	STCF
2019.03	Beijing (UCAS)	STCF: Physics
2019.07	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: Accelerator
2019.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: Phys. & simulations
2019.11	Beijing (UCAS)	STCF: CDR
2020.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF: From CDR to TDR
2022.12	Guangzhou (SYSU)	STCF: R&D kick-off
2023.07	Zhengzhou (ZZU)	STCF: Collaboration
2024.07	Lanzhou (LZU)	STCF: 15 th -five-year plan

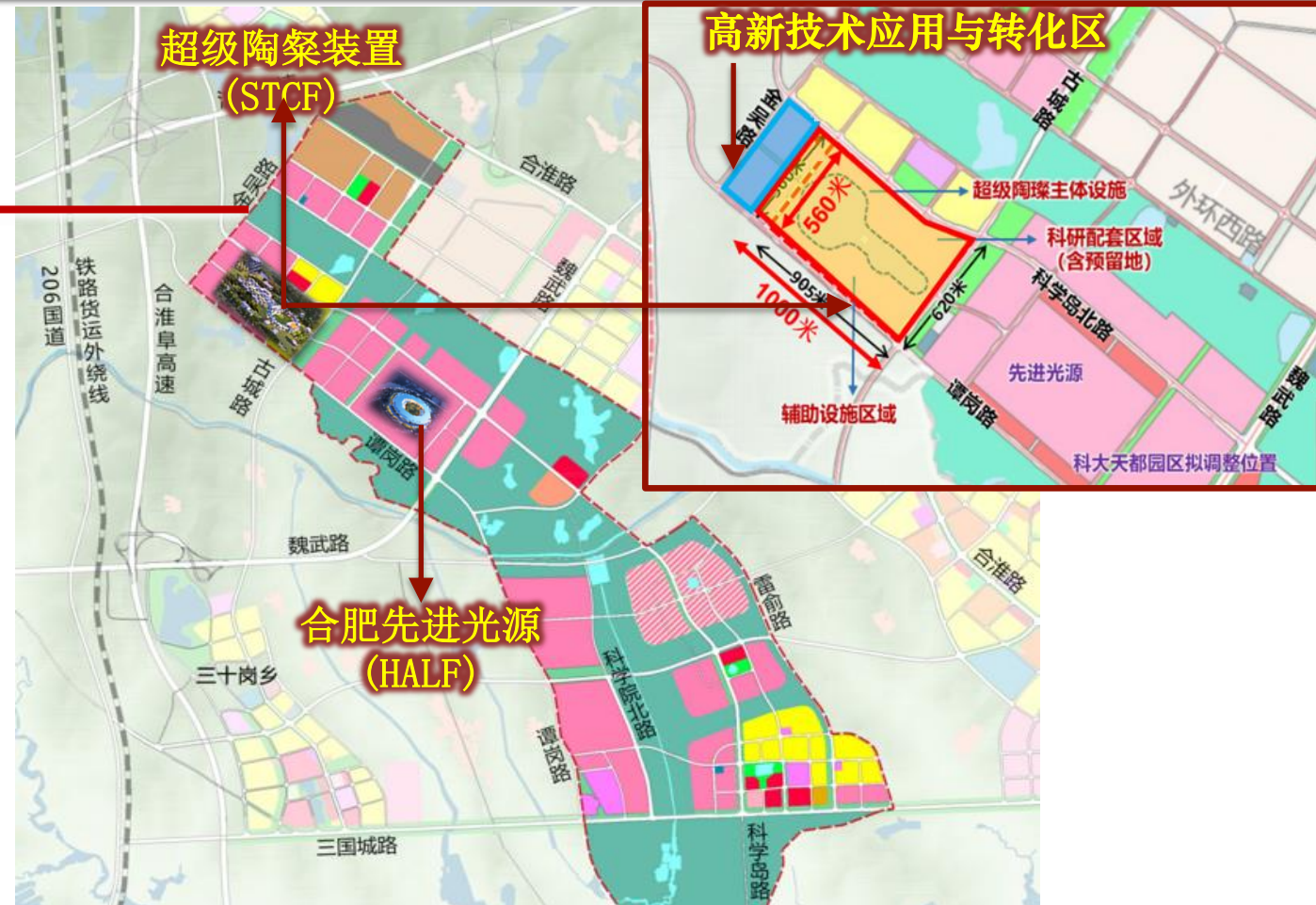
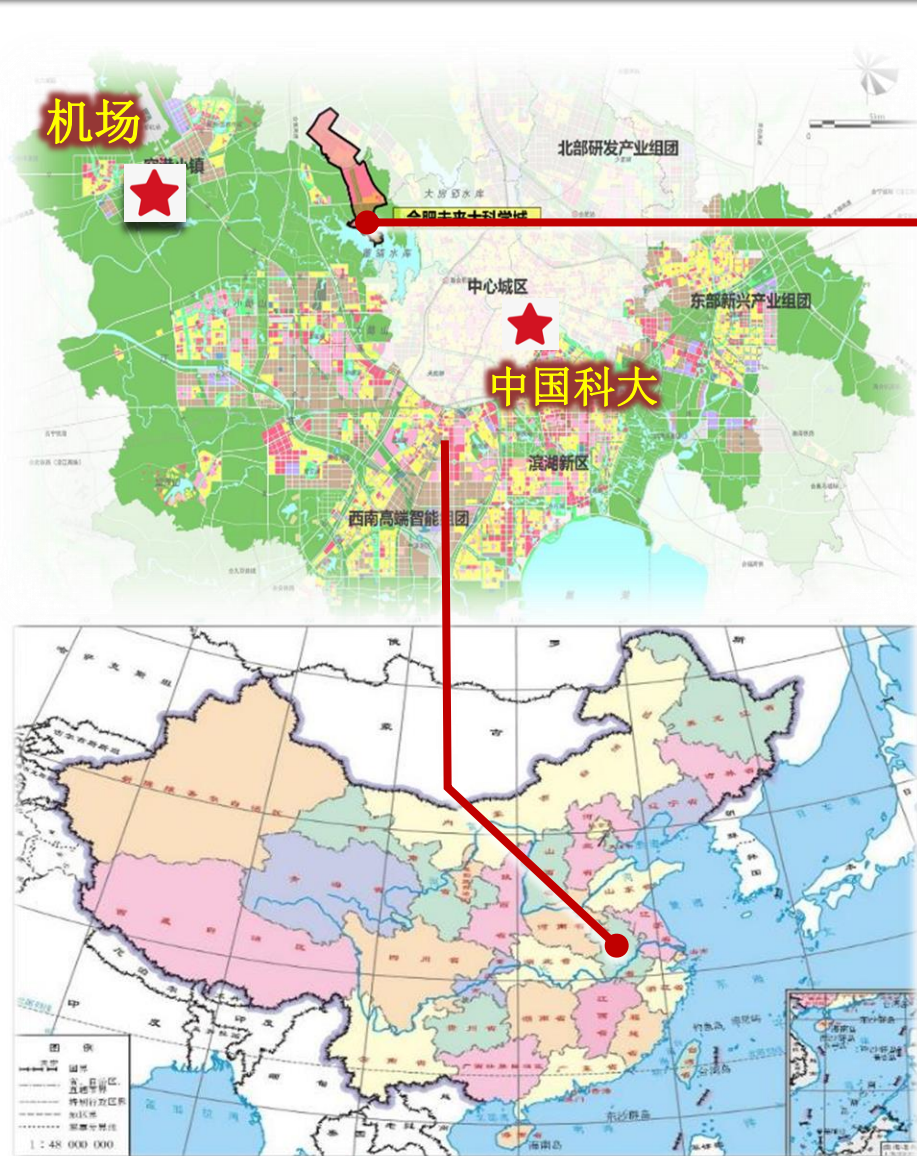


STCF Project Development Meetings

Time	Place	Meetings
2022.04	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Demonstration Meeting
2023.08	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Kick-off Meeting
2023.12	Hefei (USTC)	STCF Key Technology R&D Project Budget Review Meeting
2024.01	Hefei (USTC)	STCF 1 st International Advisory Committee Meeting
2024.05	Hefei (USTC)	STCF 1 st National Consultative Committee Meeting

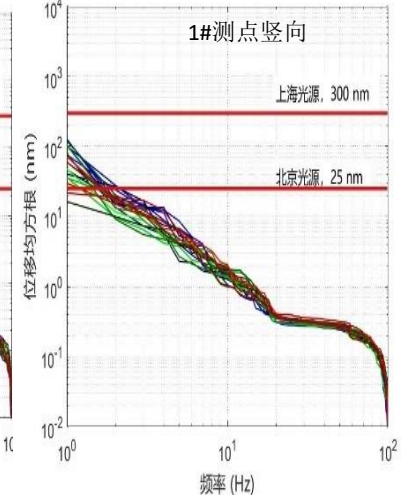
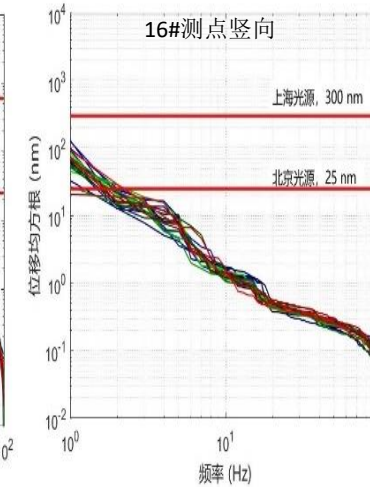
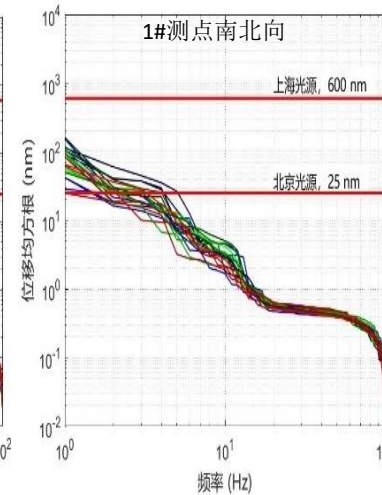
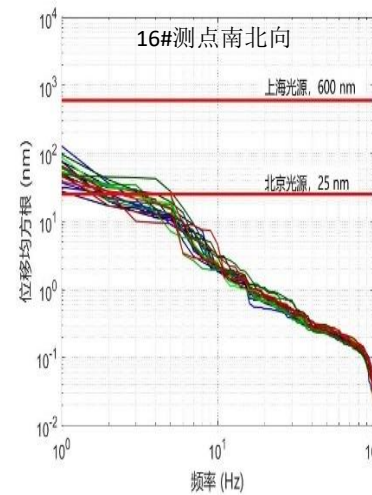
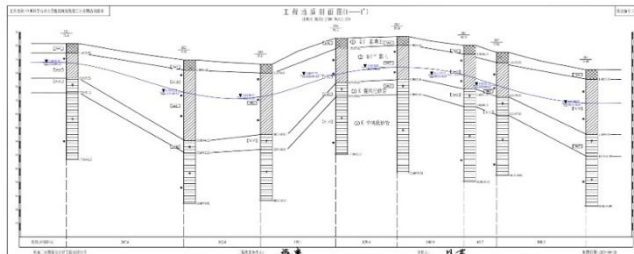
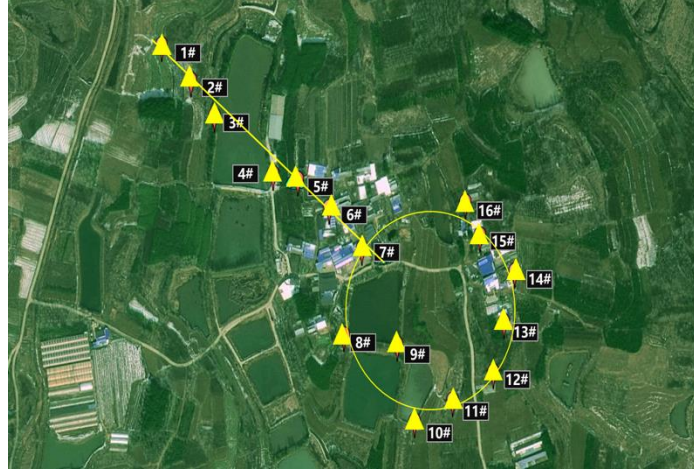
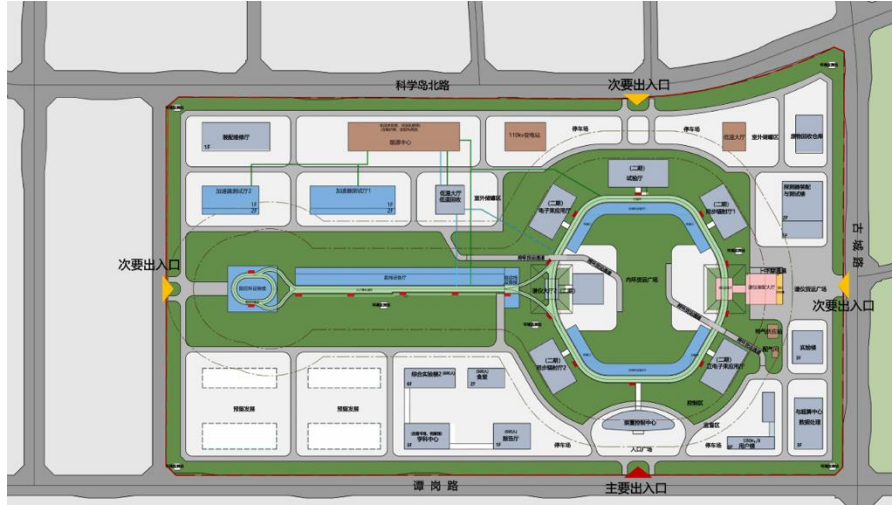


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Geological Survey and Civil Engineering Design



Requirements are satisfied

Final Remarks

- As a key player in HEP precision frontier, STCF holds great potential for discoveries and breakthroughs in studies of strong interaction, CPV, and new physics search.
- STCF builds upon China's great success and well-established unique international position in tau-charm physics, constituting a viable near-term HEP project in China.
- Intensive conceptual design studies in the past few years have resulted in physics, detector and accelerator CDRs.
- The STCF project has transitioned to the technology R&D phase. A comprehensive STCF R&D project has been established and is being vigorously executed. Significant progress in the R&D has been made and some systems have reached milestones.
- The STCF project has passed the recent CAS review and the project proposal has been submitted to the national government for starting STCF construction in the 15th five-year plan period.
- It is crucial to strengthen and expand domestic and international collaboration and explore synergies with other projects.