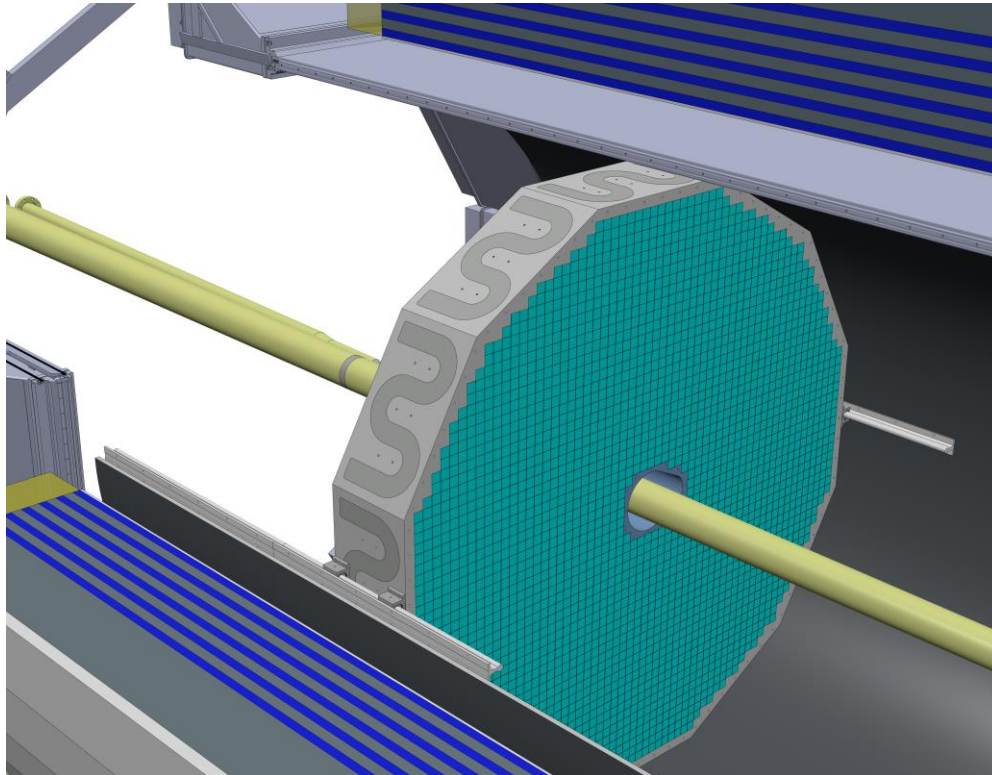




Calorimetry (Lecture 2)

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With material from E. Chudakov, H. Klest, F. Sefkow, F. Simon and many others..

Conceptual Refinements

- Traditional calorimeters limit jet energy resolution.
- Need for improved particle separation in high-density environments.
- Motivation from future lepton colliders and HL-LHC.
- Explore alternatives: dual-readout, Particle Flow Algorithms (PFA).

$$C = [f_{\text{em}} + (h/e)_C(1 - f_{\text{em}})]E,$$

$$S = [f_{\text{em}} + (h/e)_S(1 - f_{\text{em}})]E,$$

$$E = (\xi S - C)/(\xi - 1),$$

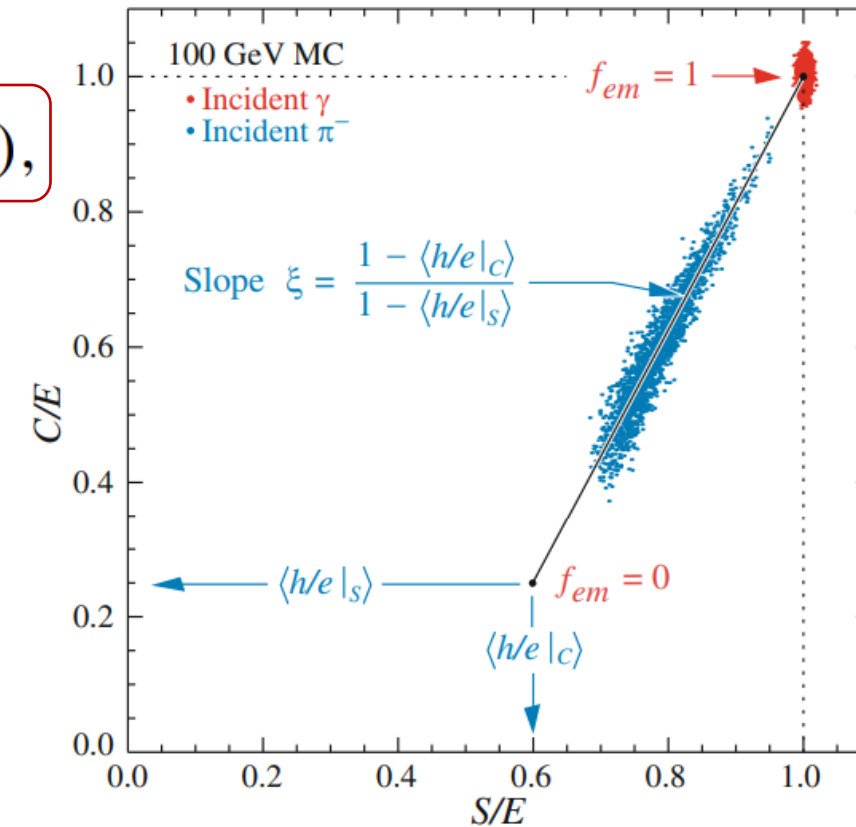
- Measures both scintillation and Cherenkov signals.
- Allows event-by-event correction for EM fraction (f_{em}).
- Improves hadronic energy resolution.
- Implemented in DREAM and RD52 prototypes.

Dual readout principle:

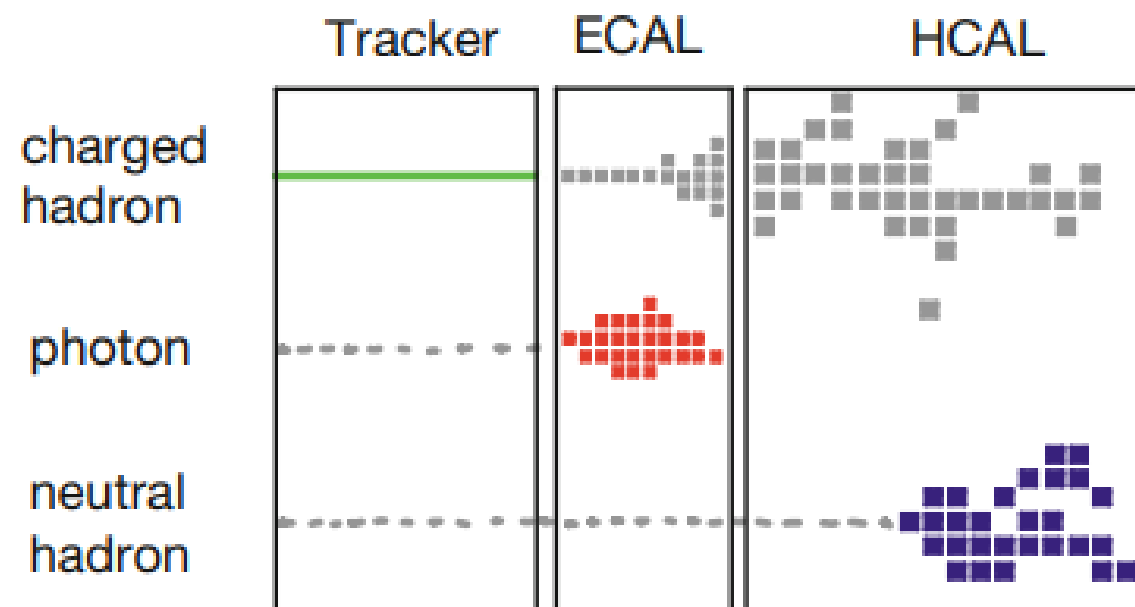
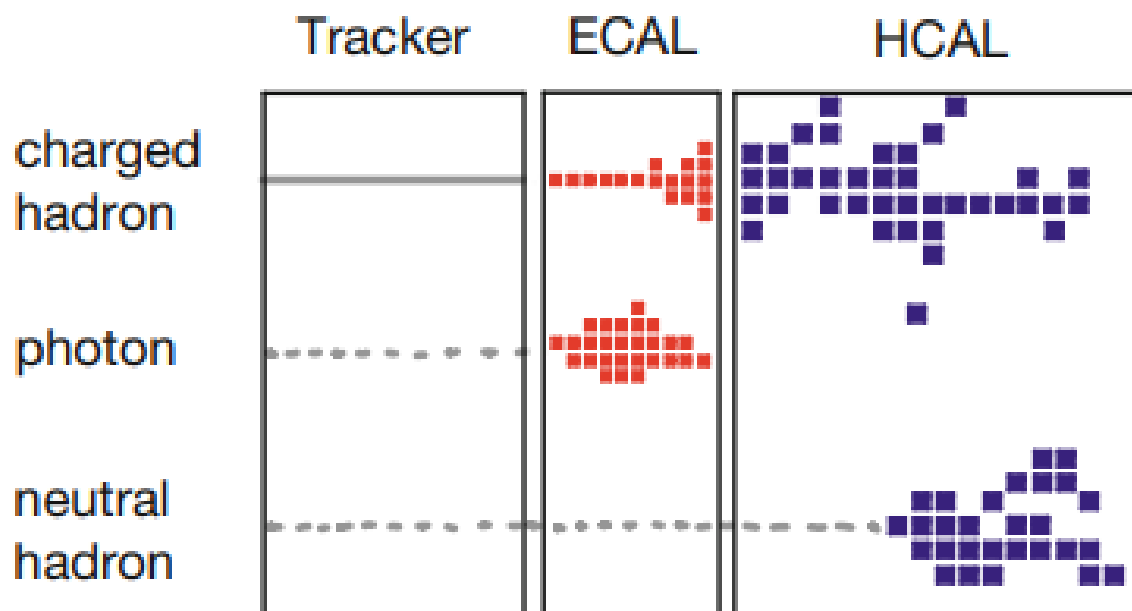
- Cherenkov light from EM component only.
- Scintillation from total energy.
- Ratio determines EM fraction.
- Calorimeter can self-calibrate per event.

Limitations:

- ❖ Complex readout and calibration.
- ❖ Low Cherenkov light yield.
- ❖ Integration with dense materials is challenging.

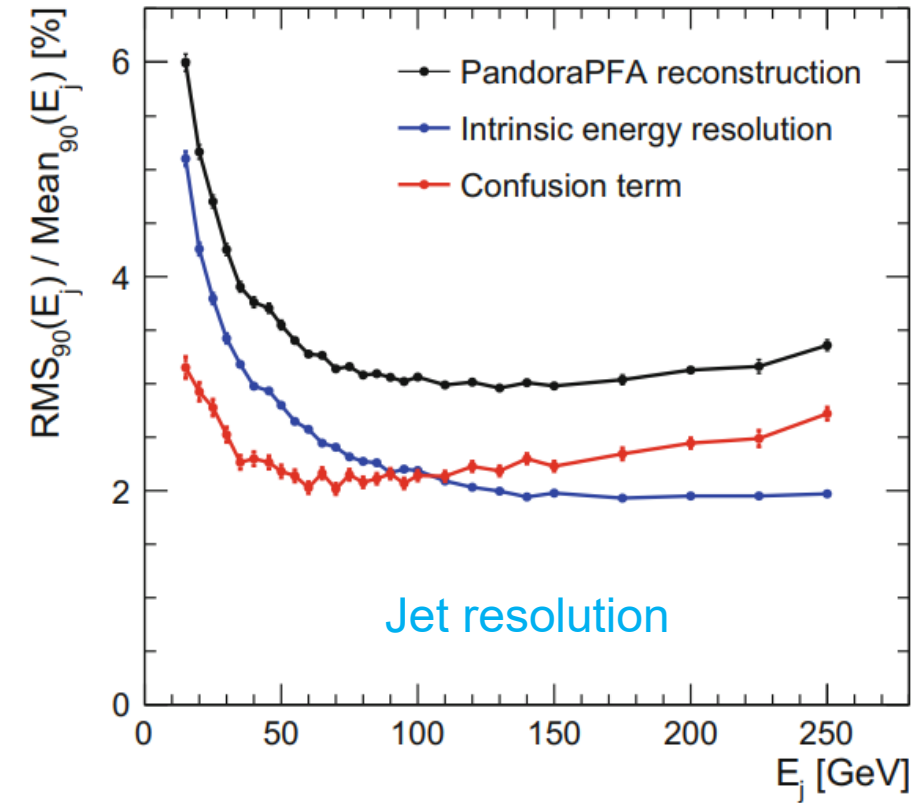


- Separate particles in jet and measure individually.
- Use tracker for charged particles, ECAL for photons, HCAL for neutrals.
- Requires high granularity and advanced software.



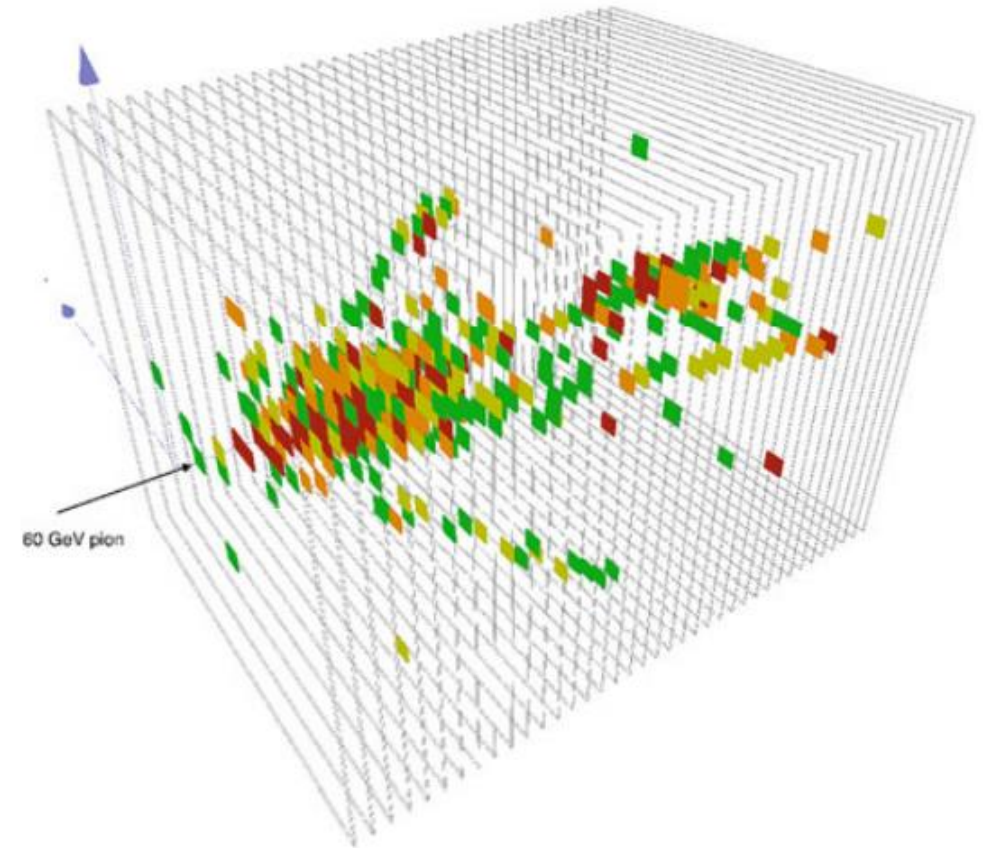
Requires:

- Fine transverse and longitudinal segmentation.
- Compact showers: minimize overlap.
- Tracker-calorimeter matching.
- Example: ILD, CMS HGCAL.



- Improves resolution especially at low/intermediate energy.
- Confusion term becomes dominant.
- PandoraPFA and others demonstrate performance gains

- Picosecond-level timing improves pile-up rejection.
- Can aid in separating overlapping showers.
- Used in ATLAS HGTD, CMS MTD.



60 GeV π^- in the CALICE hadron calorimeter prototype
(highly granular calorimeters can resolve shower substructure)

- Equalize e/h response to reduce invisible energy effects.
- Typically use high neutron-yield materials (e.g., U, Cu).
- Achieve improved hadronic energy resolution.
- Rare in modern large-scale detectors due to complexity.

Improves linearity and resolution in hadronic calorimeters.

Summary and final remarks

- Calorimeters absorb particle energy to measure it.
- EM and hadronic showers behave differently.
- Different technologies suit different tasks.
- Performance depends on resolution, timing, segmentation.

- ECAL: 1–2% resolution for high-energy electrons/photons.
- HCAL: 5–10% for hadrons and jets.
- Timing: tens of ps for modern calorimeters.
- Granularity and linearity vary by design.

- Cost vs performance: materials, readout.
- Compactness vs segmentation.
- Radiation hardness vs sensitivity.
- Optimized per experiment goals.

- GEANT4 and FLUKA simulate particle-matter interactions.
- Shower shapes and detector response predicted.
- Validation with test beam data.
 - Critical to calibrate and validate models.
 - Compare simulation to experimental data.

- Calorimetry is central to modern HEP.
- Combines physics, engineering, and data science.
- Open problems invite innovation.

The calorimeters are of increasing importance with higher energies. They became the most important/expensive/large detectors in the current big projects (LHC etc).

There are various techniques to build calorimeters for different resolution, price, radiation hardness and other requirements.

The typical energy resolutions are:

- EM: from $\frac{\sigma E}{E} \sim \frac{2\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 0.3\%$ for scintillating crystals to about $\frac{\sigma E}{E} \sim \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 0.8\%$ for sampling calorimeters.
- HD calorimeters: $\frac{\sigma E}{E} \sim \frac{30-50\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 3\%$

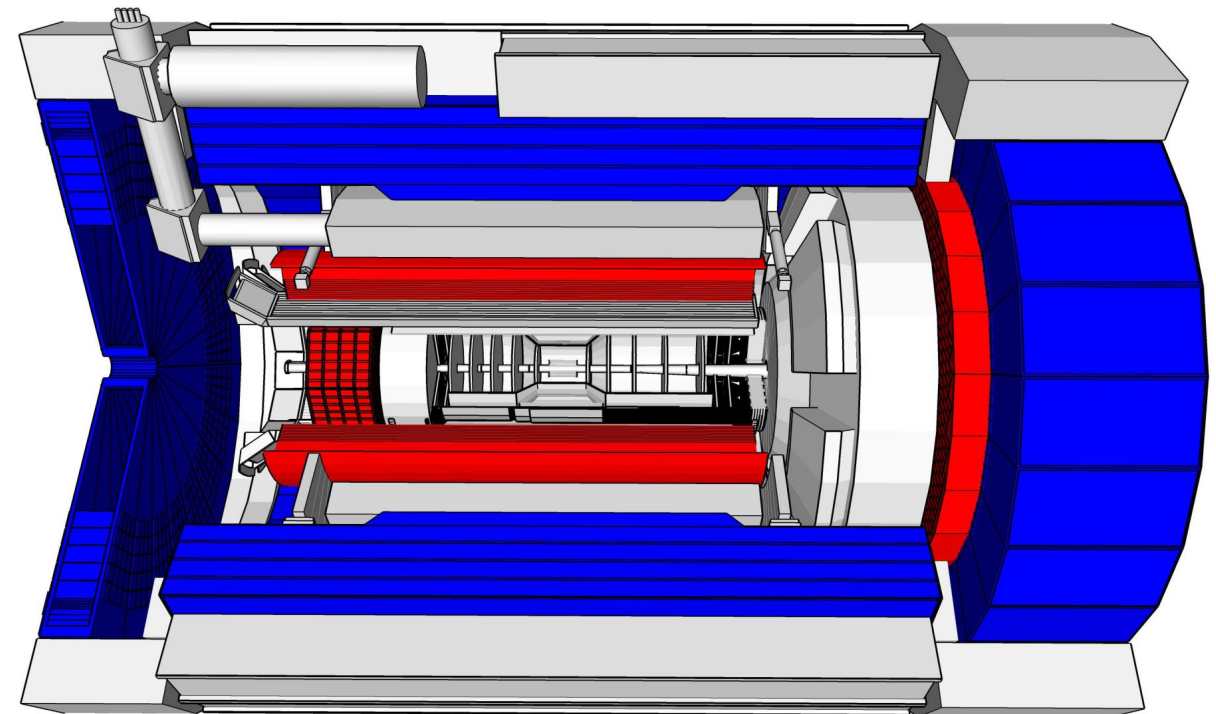
The coordinate resolutions could be about 1-3 mm for EM calorimeters and 20-30 mm for HD ones.

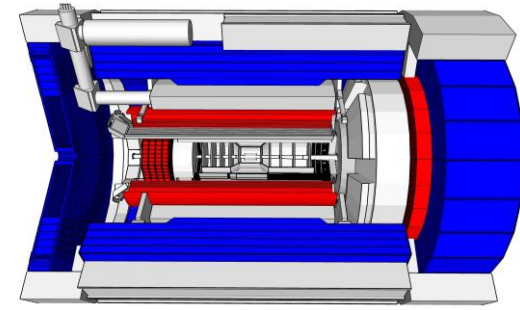
Questions?

Calorimetry at the EIC

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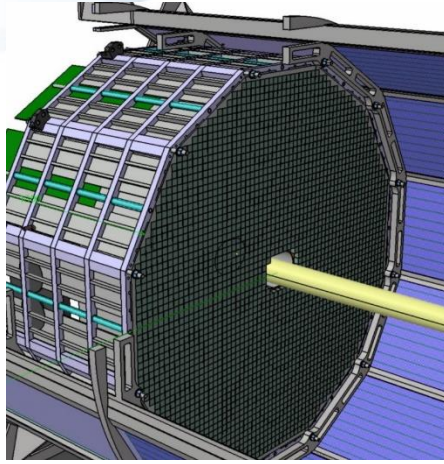
- Calorimetry at the EIC has some unique challenges:
 - Wide variety in CM energy, 5 GeV e^- x 41 GeV p/A to 18 GeV e^- x 275 GeV p
- EIC physics lives at all scales!
 - Large dynamic range required, hundreds of GeV to tens of MeV
 - Most challenging constraint is not always simply measuring energy
- Electron identification
 - Very stringent requirements on e/h separation to identify DIS events from the much larger photoproduction background
 - 1-in-10000 rejection of pions in the few GeV range!
- Streaming readout
- Integration with PID & tracking detectors





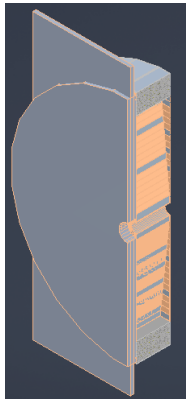
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EMCals



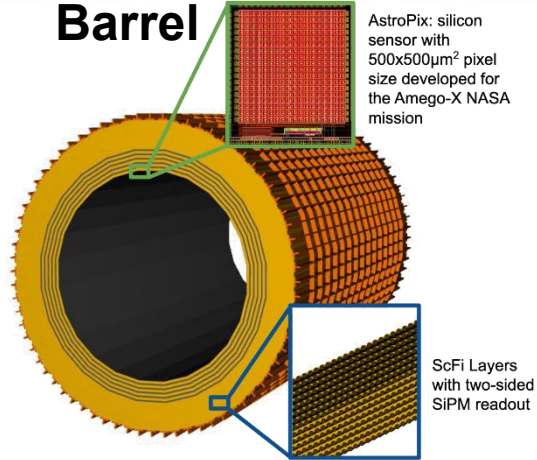
- PbWO_4 crystals + SiPM readout

HCals



- Steel + Scintillator
- SiPM-on-tile

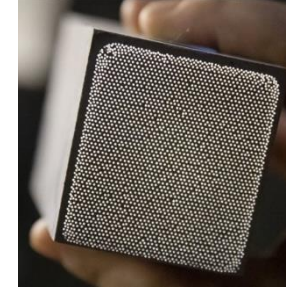
Barrel



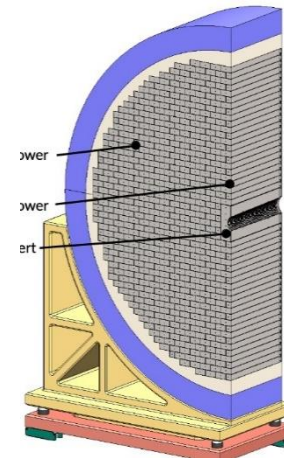
- Pb/SciFi sampling part (SiPMs)
- Imaging section (6 layers) interleaving Pb/SciFi with ASTROPIX

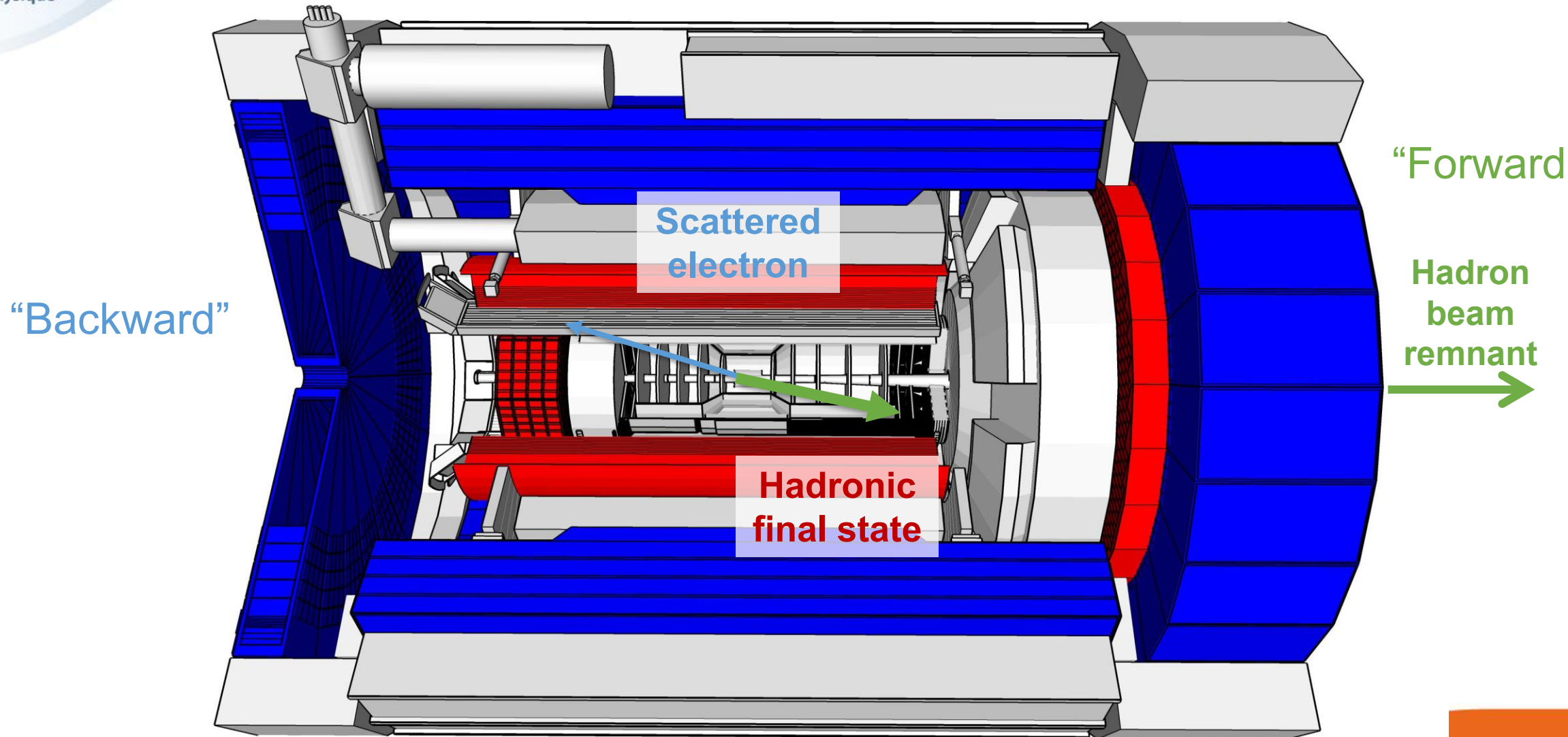


Forward



- Tungsten-powder SciFi SPACAL design





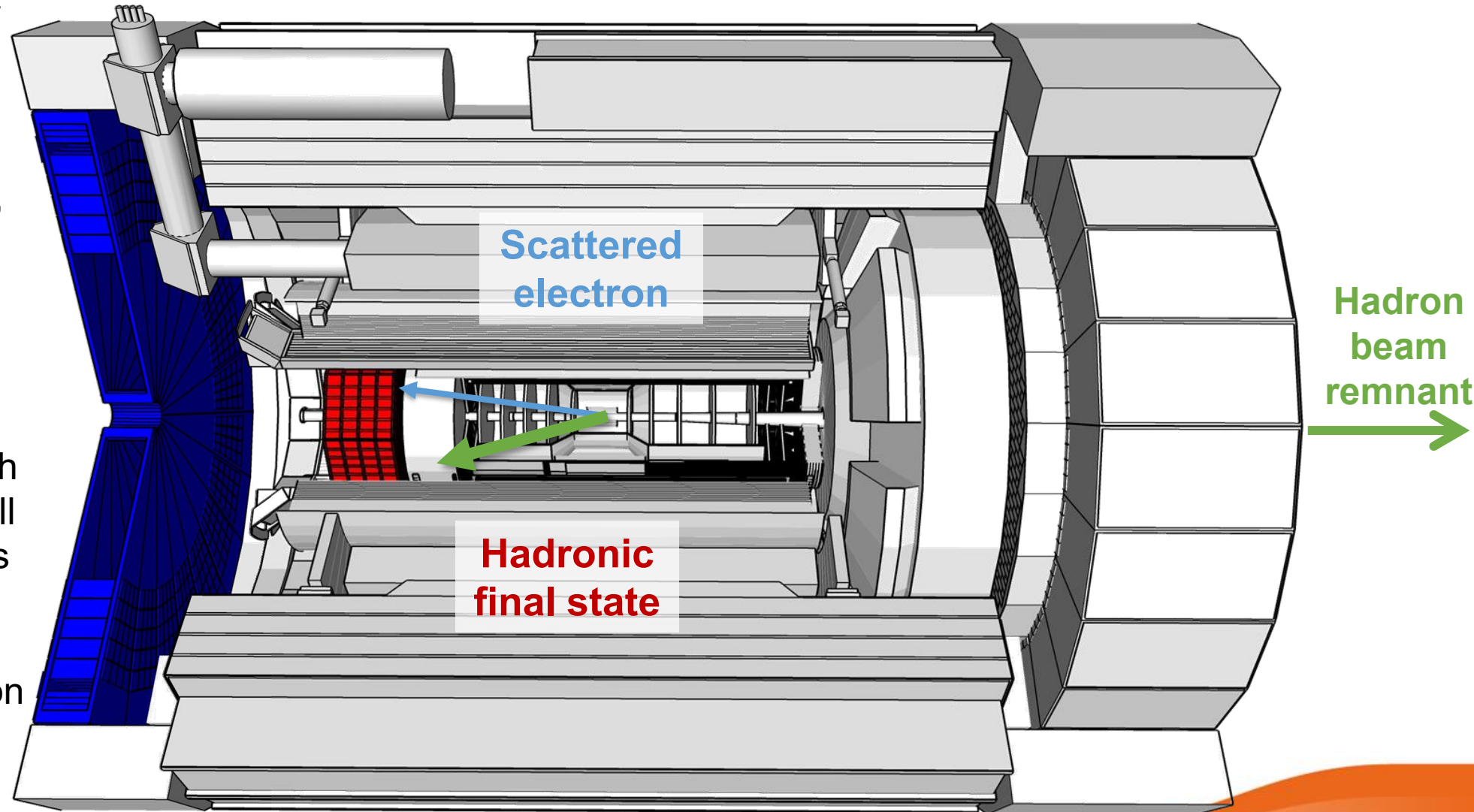
$$-3.6 < \eta < -1.7$$

Low Q^2 , low x

Physics:
gluon saturation,
nuclear terra
incognita

Challenge:
Measure the
electron with high
precision at small
scattering angles

Separate the
scattered electron
from the nearby
hadrons



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Low Q^2 , low x

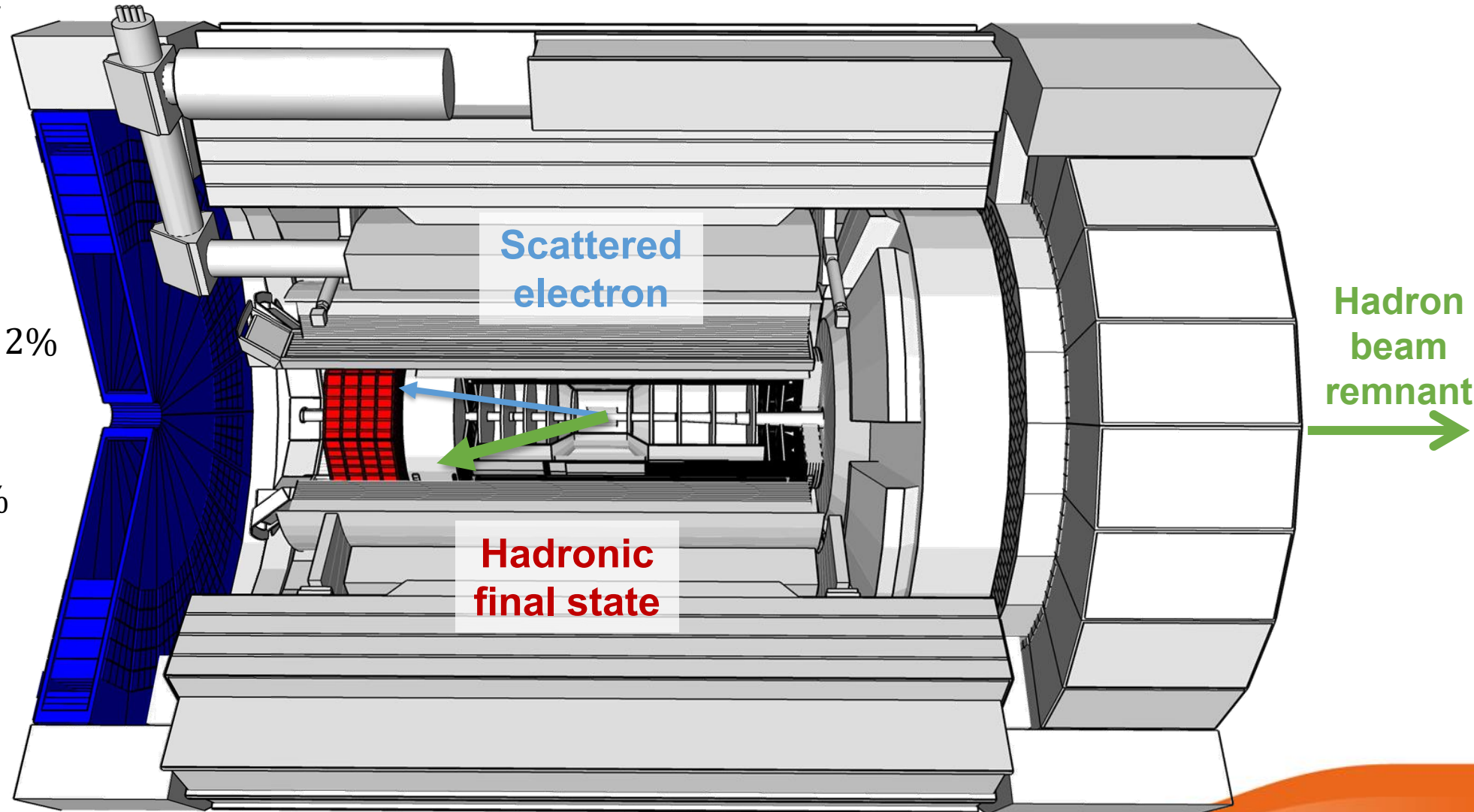
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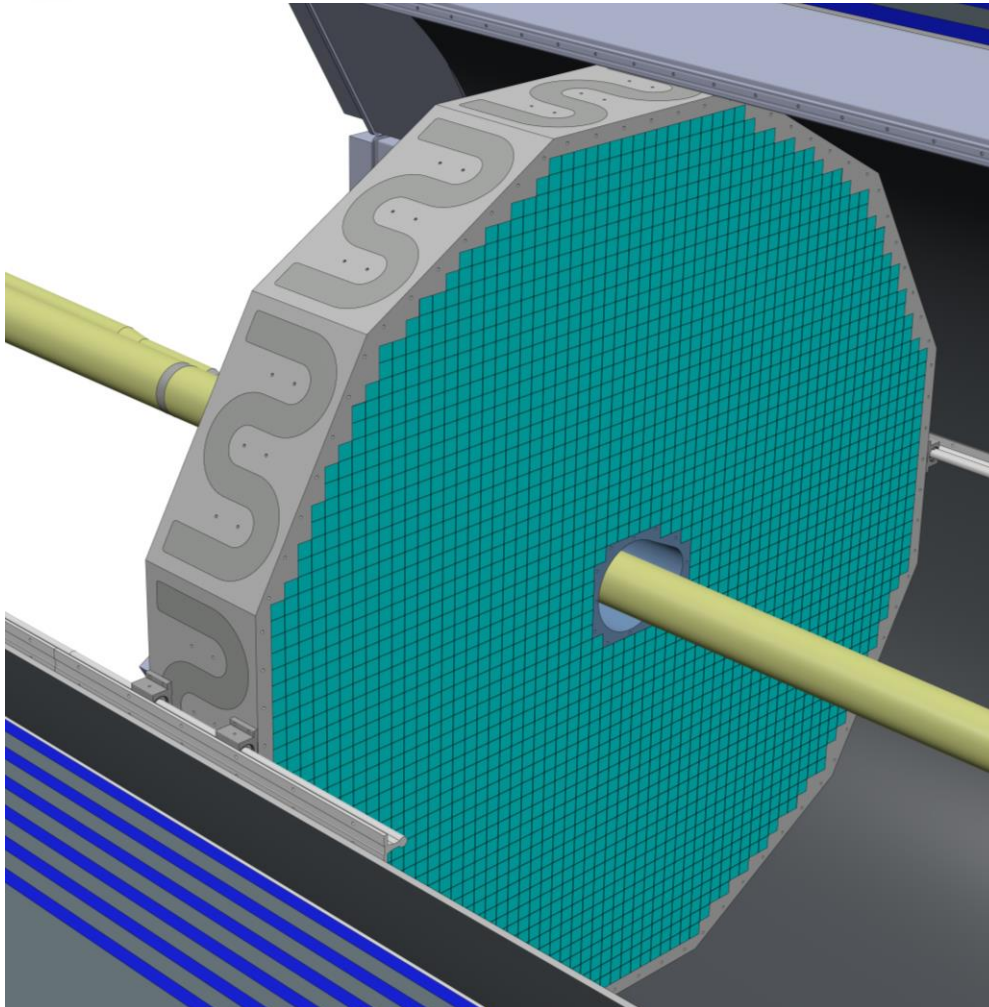
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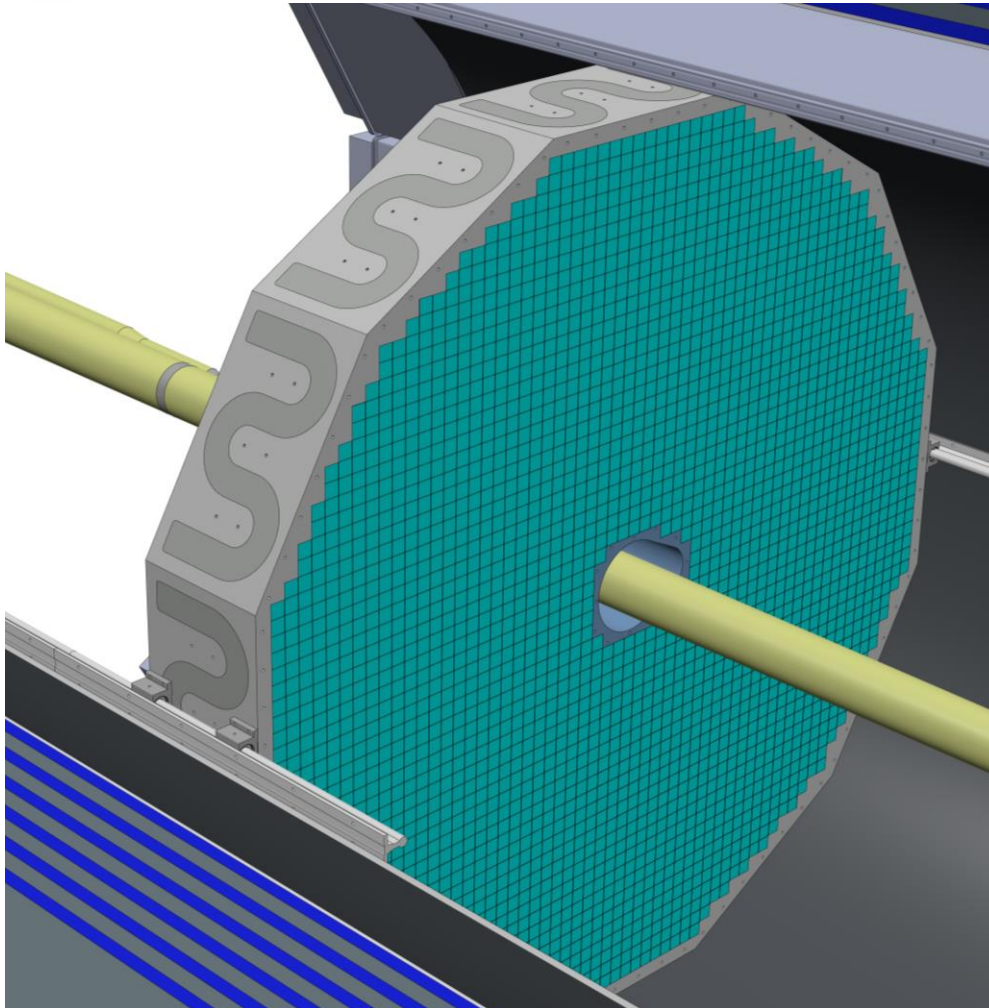
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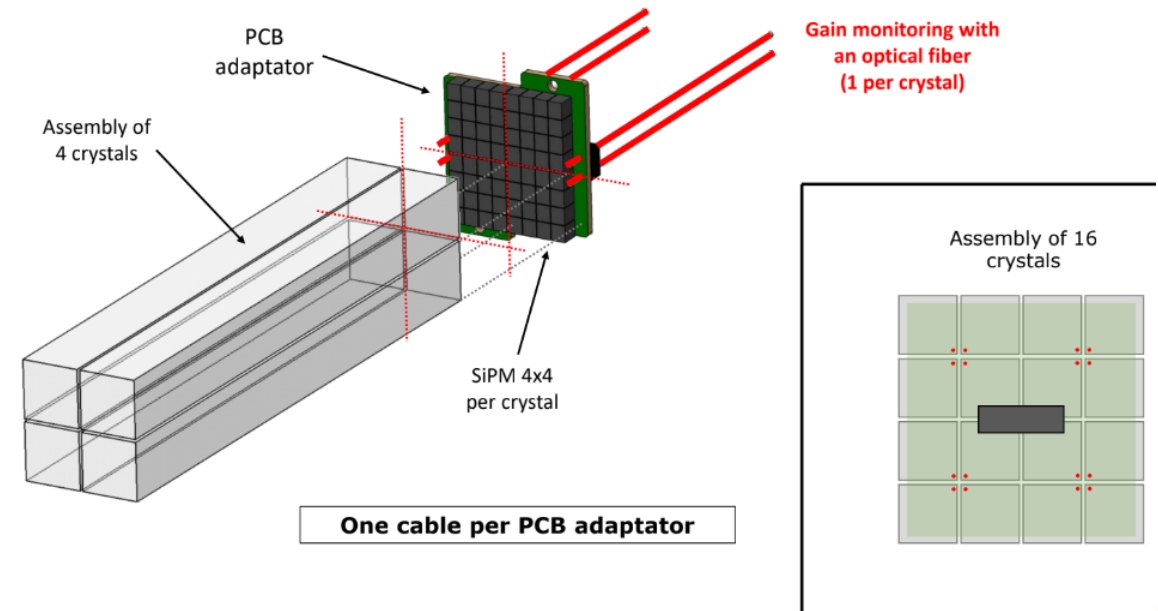


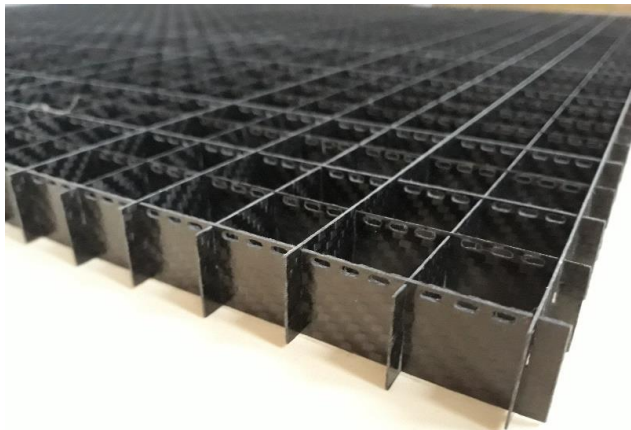
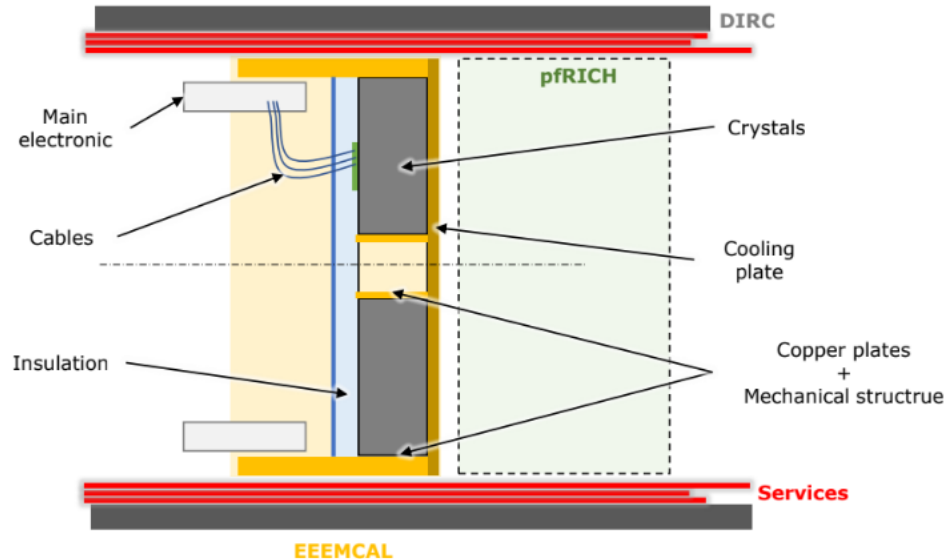


- Largest cross section for small electron scattering angles
 - Captures vast majority of scattered electrons
 - Often better resolution than tracker in this region
- Required energy resolution of $\frac{2\%}{\sqrt{E}} \otimes 1 - 3\%$
 - For most electrons, dominated by constant term
 - Need precise mechanical construction & calibration techniques
- 1 in 10^4 pion suppression
- Detection of photons above 50 MeV
- Radiation hardness

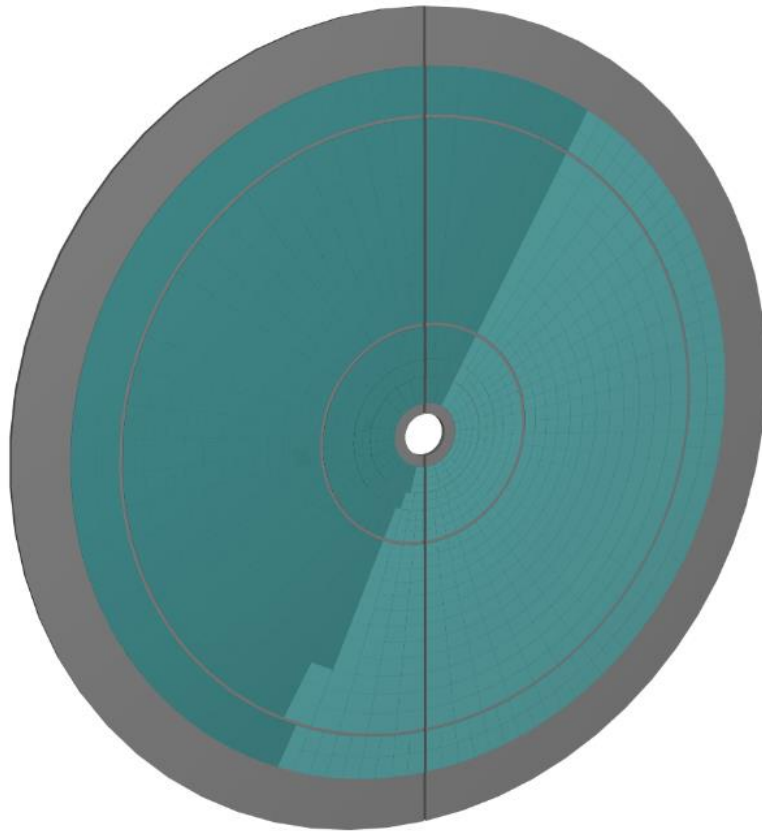


- Only realistic option to meet all of these requirements is PbWO_4
 - High density (small Molière radius), high scintillation light yield, fast scintillation, rad hard
 - Readout via HPK S14160-3010/5PS SiPMs





- PbWO_4 light yield is a strong function of temperature, $\sim 2\%$ per $^\circ\text{C}$
 - Big integration challenge, pfRICH electronics sits nearby
 - Needs temperature stability & monitoring to reach resolution goals
- Non-trivial interplay between achieving temperature stability and reducing dead material between the crystals
 - Crystals held by two 0.5 mm thick carbon fiber frames
 - One in front 2 cm of a block, one in back 2 cm
 - Air gap in-between



- Experience from H1 & ZEUS, backward HCal useful for improving e/h separation at low-x
 - Electron & hadrons go in the same direction, substantial overlap in the EMCal
- Low-x hadronic final state important for studying gluon saturation, typically backward-going
- Hadron energies are low, serves in part as a tail-catcher for the EMCal
 - Energy resolution requirements not stringent
 - Position resolution should be good enough to match Hcal clusters to energy deposits in Emcal
- Exact design still in progress, some combination of steel + large scintillator tiles & SiPM readout
 - Similar to BELLE KLM

$$-1.7 < \eta < 1.4$$

High Q^2 , Mid x

Example Physics: DVCS,
DVMP

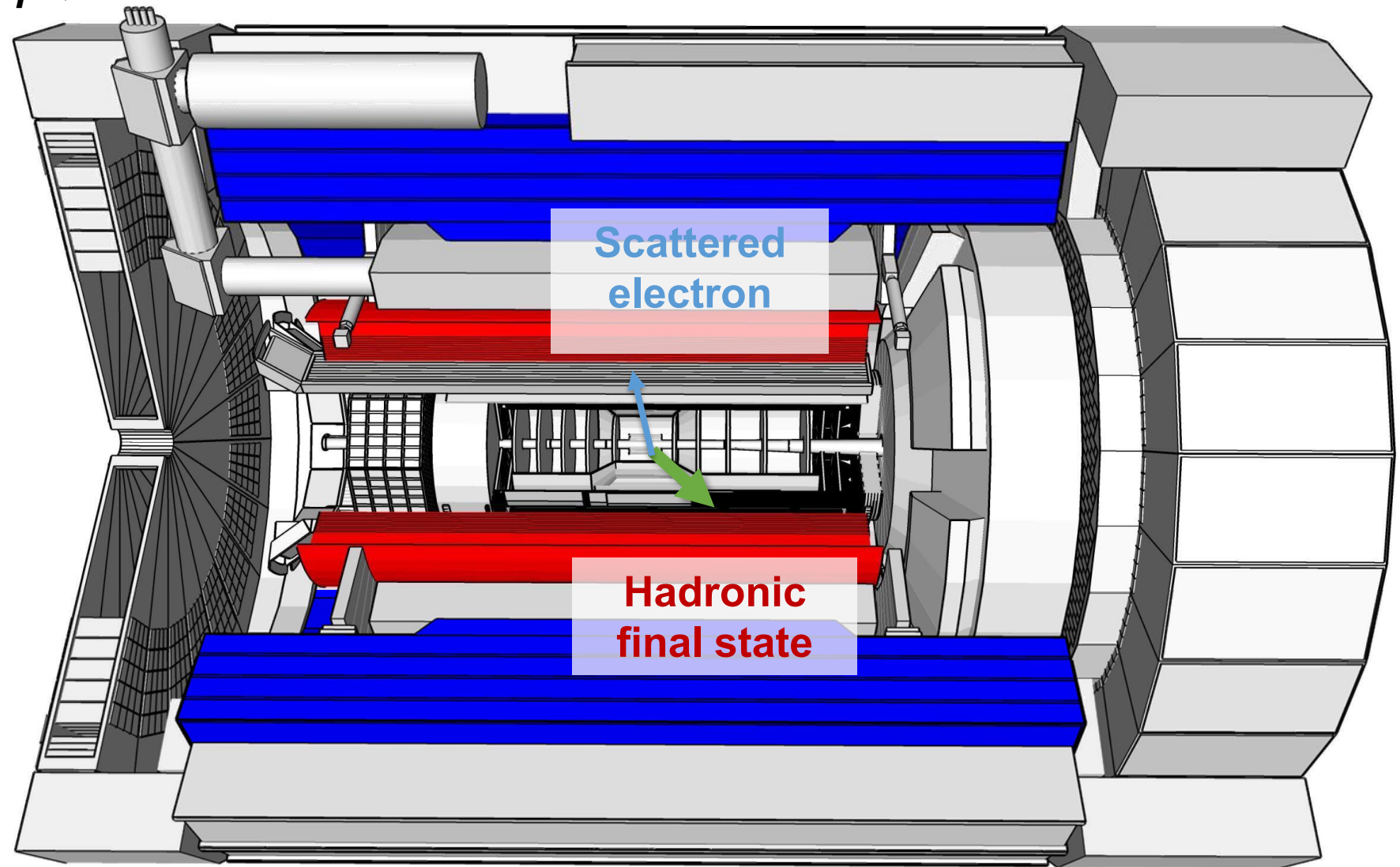
Challenges:

Identify components of
hadronic final state, e.g.
separate π^0 from γ

Identify low energy e^- from
high γ DIS

Contain 30+ GeV energy e^-
from high Q^2

Measure low energy γ



$$-1.7 < \eta < 1.4$$

High Q^2 , Mid x

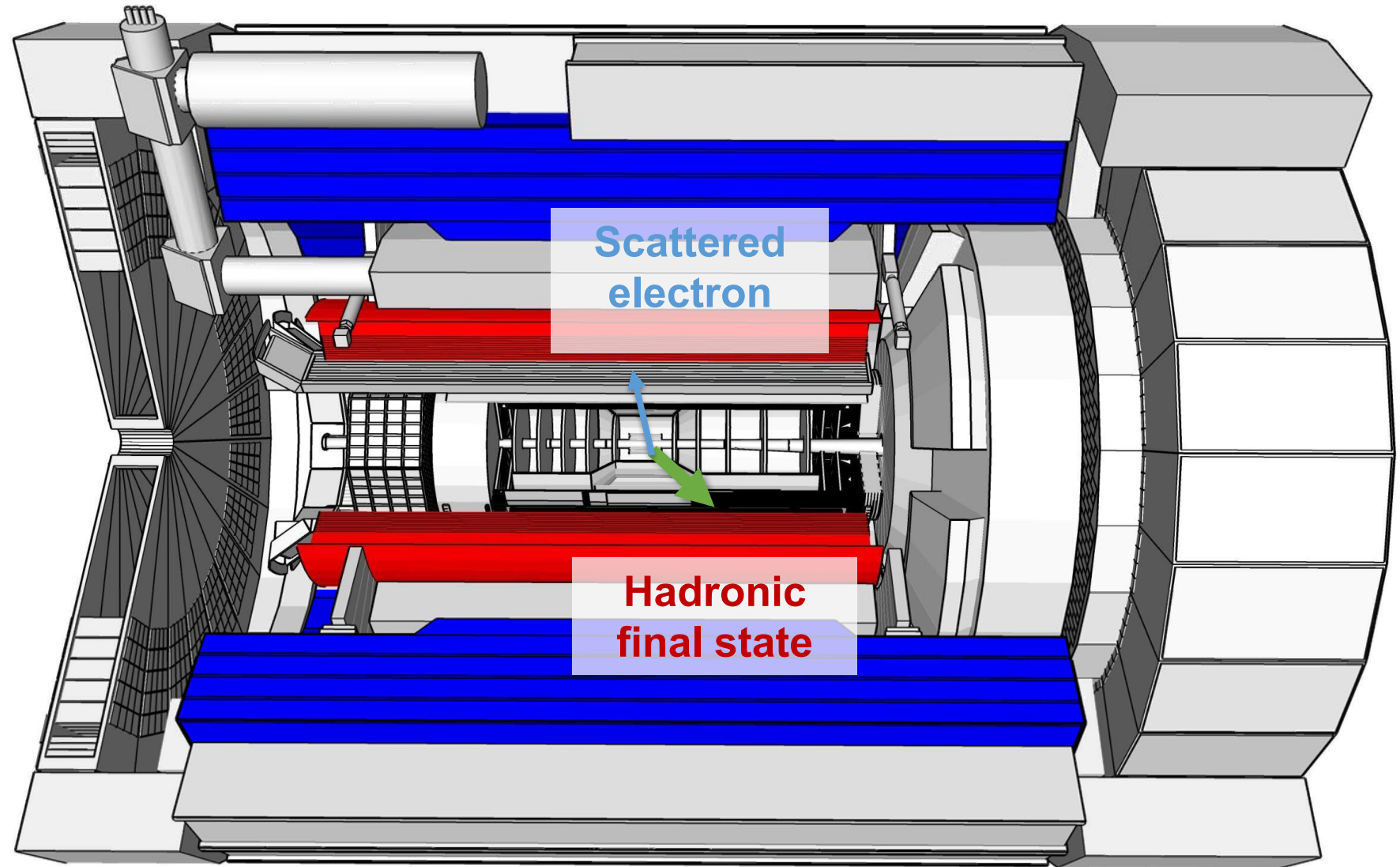
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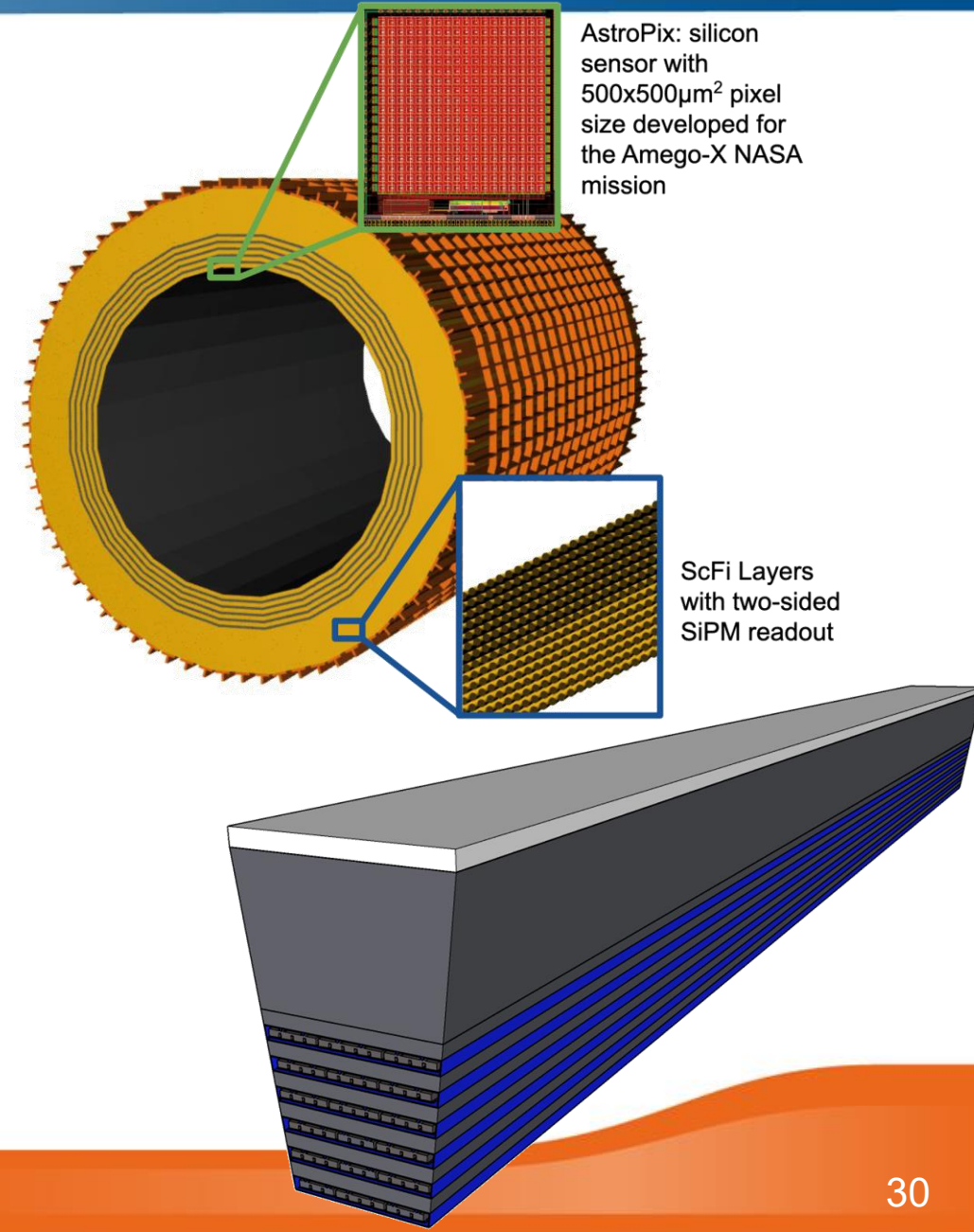
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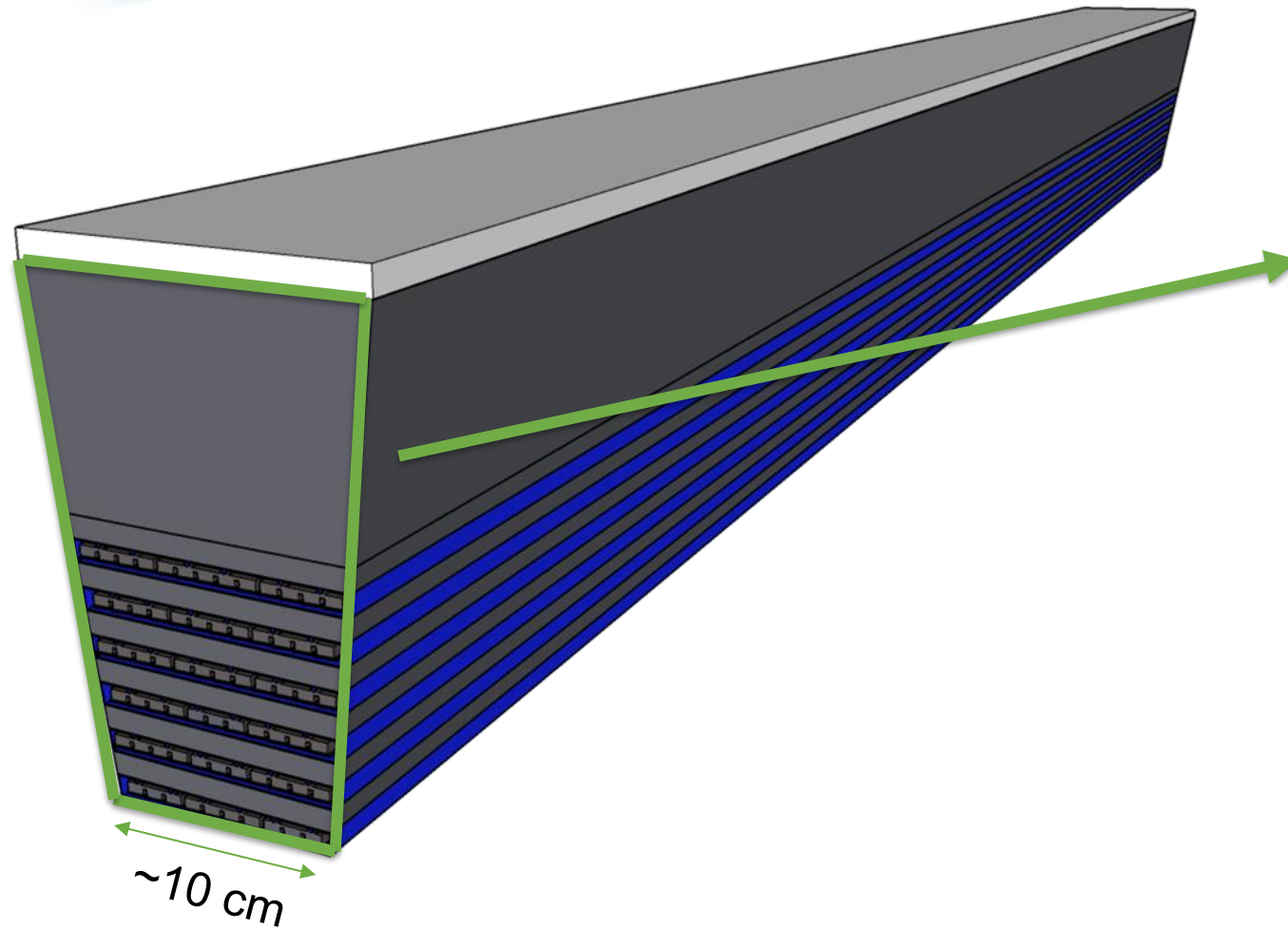
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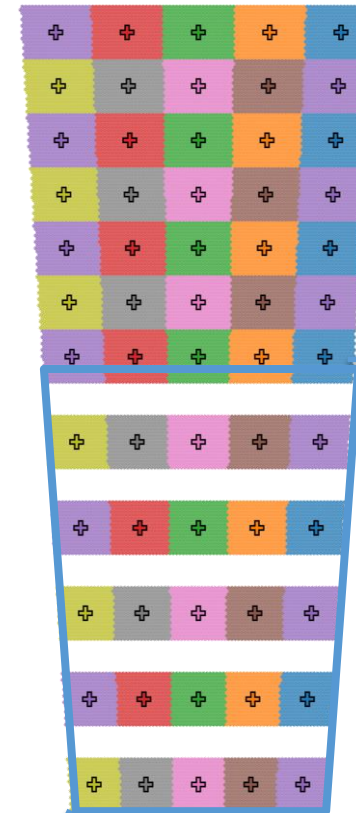


- Hybrid sampling Pb/SciFi + Silicon pixel sensor
- 4.4 m long scintillating fibers, SiPM readout on both ends
 - Longitudinally segmented
 - Similar to KLOE & GlueX
 - “Time-Projection” calorimeter - $\Delta t \rightarrow z$
 - HGCROC for front-end electronics
- Interleaved with layers of AstroPix MAPS silicon pixel sensors
 - Very low power consumption (few mW/cm²)
 - 500 μm “cube” pixels
 - Good resolution ($\sim 7\%$) on energy deposited in pixel

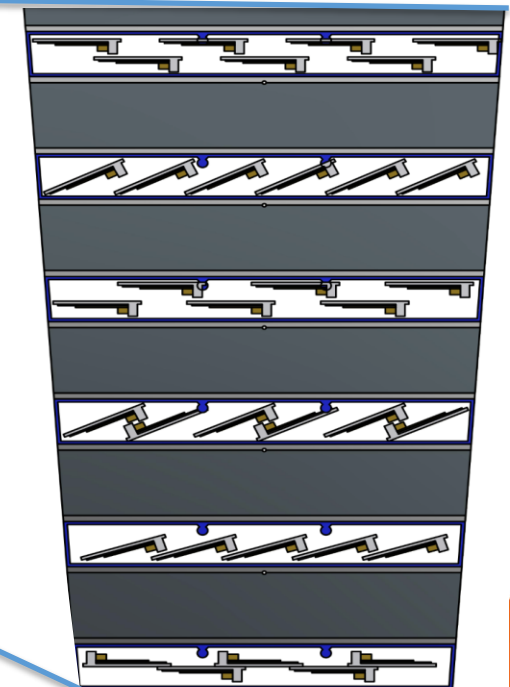


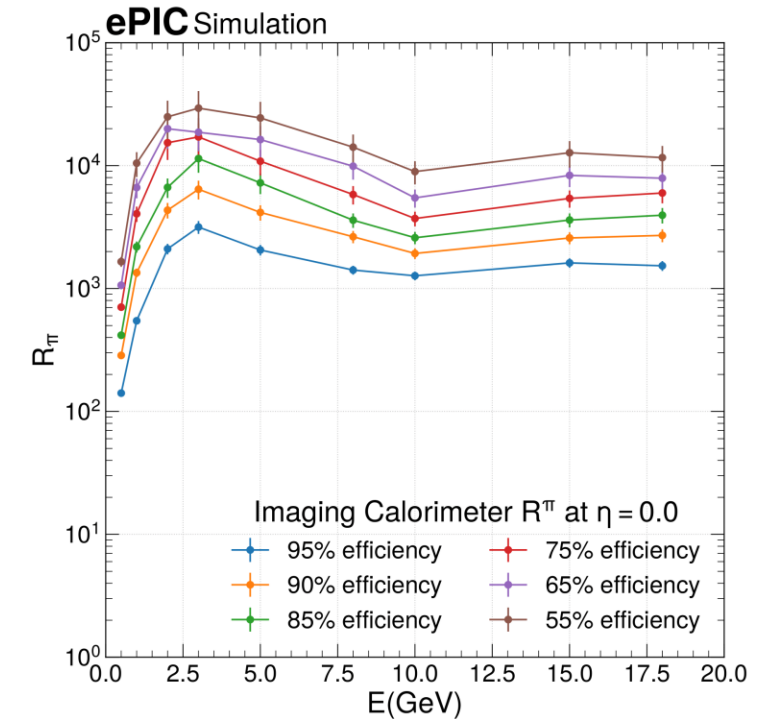
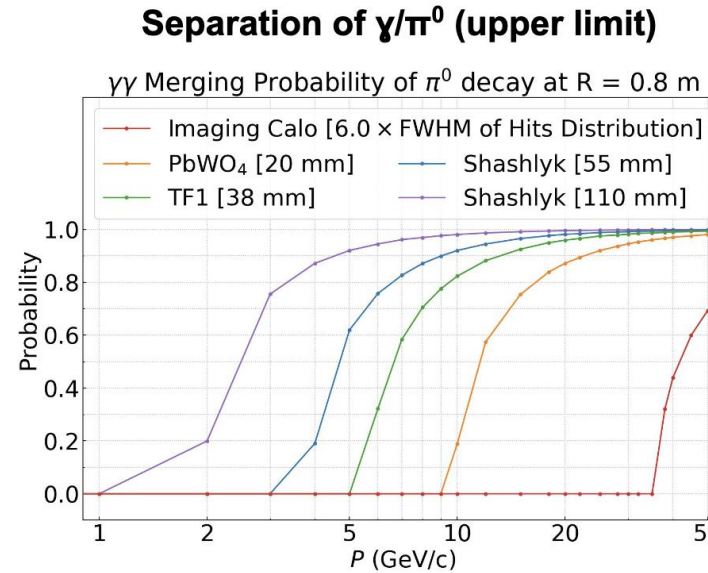
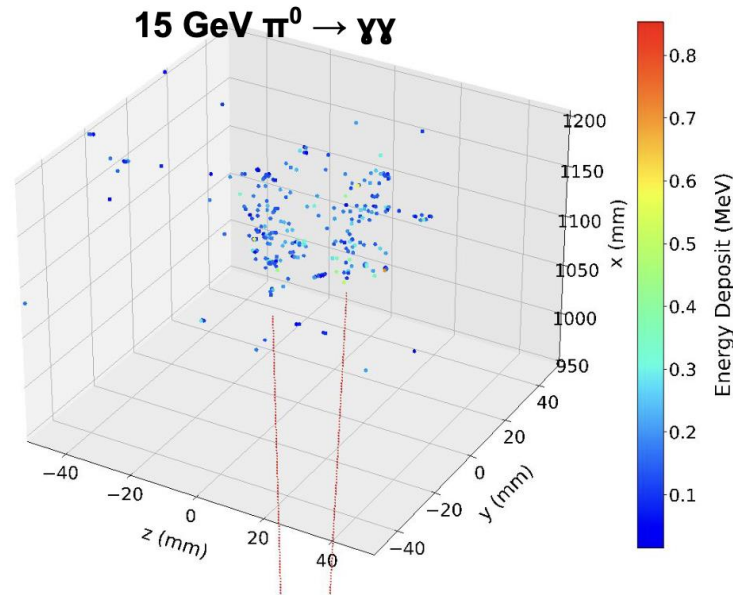


SiPM Readout Scheme Light guides to 1.2x1.2 cm SiPMs



AstroPix Tiling Options

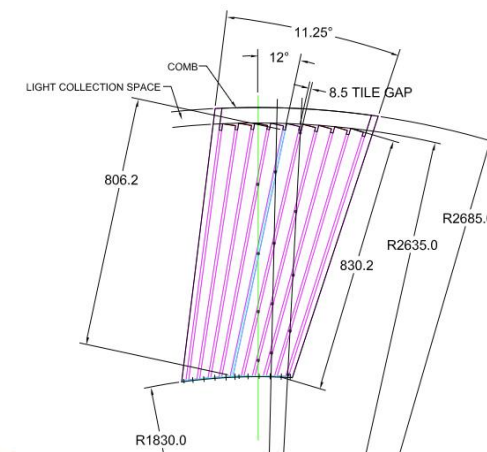
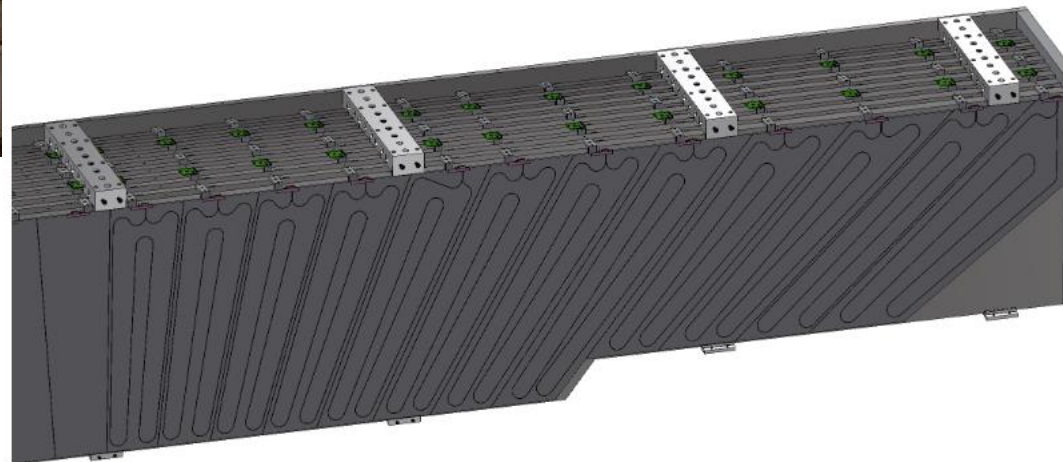




- Interleaving of AstroPix sensors allow for excellent position resolution
 - Angular resolution on the order of 0.1 degree
 - Separate π^0 from γ beyond 30 GeV
 - Can do vertexing on photons!
- Very effective separation of electrons from hadrons based on shower shape discrimination
 - Still quite effective at ~ 1 GeV & below



- Modest requirements on energy resolution
 - $\sim 100\%/\sqrt{E}$
 - Hadrons in barrel typically low energy (<5 GeV), better measured by tracking
 - Tag jets with large neutral hadron component
- Measure muons from e.g. $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Reuse from sPHENIX



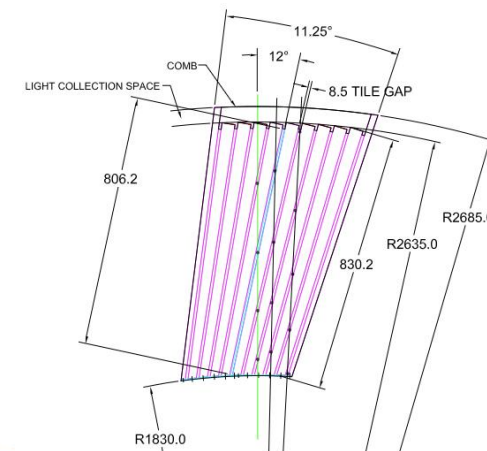
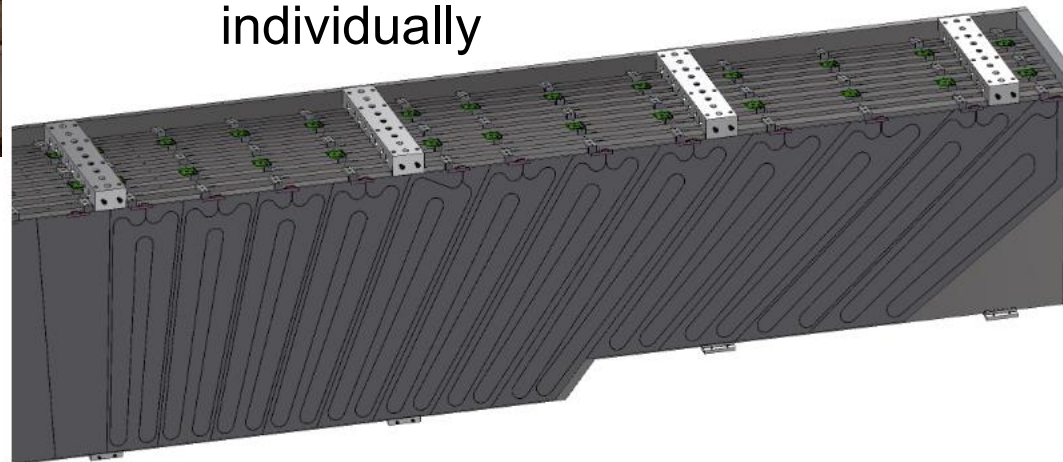


■ Steel/Scintillator design

- Steel plates tiled at an angle to prevent channeling
- Straight tracks have a sizable path length through scintillator, good for MIP detection
- Readout via HPK S12572 series SiPMs

■ Refurbish for EIC

- Expect minor radiation damage from sPHENIX, can replace SiPMs with HPK S14 series
- Upgrade electronics to HGCROC
- Increase segmentation by reading out each tile individually



$$1.4 < \eta < 4$$

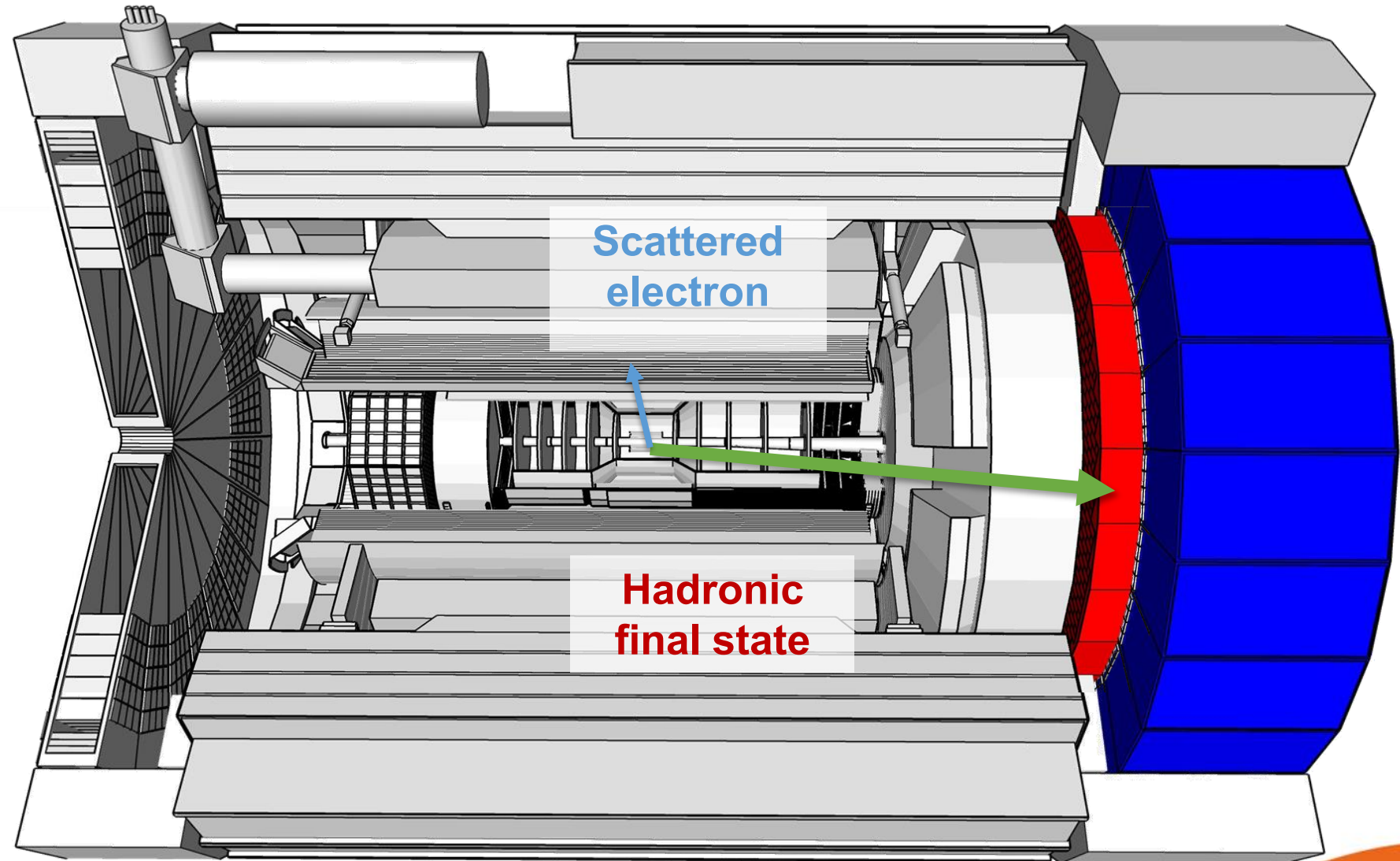
High Q^2 , High x

Example Physics:
TMDs, Jets, SIDIS

Challenges:
Contain the highly
energetic hadronic
final state

Separate clusters in a
dense hadronic
environment

Highest radiation load
near hadron beam



$$1.4 < \eta < 4$$

High Q^2 , High x

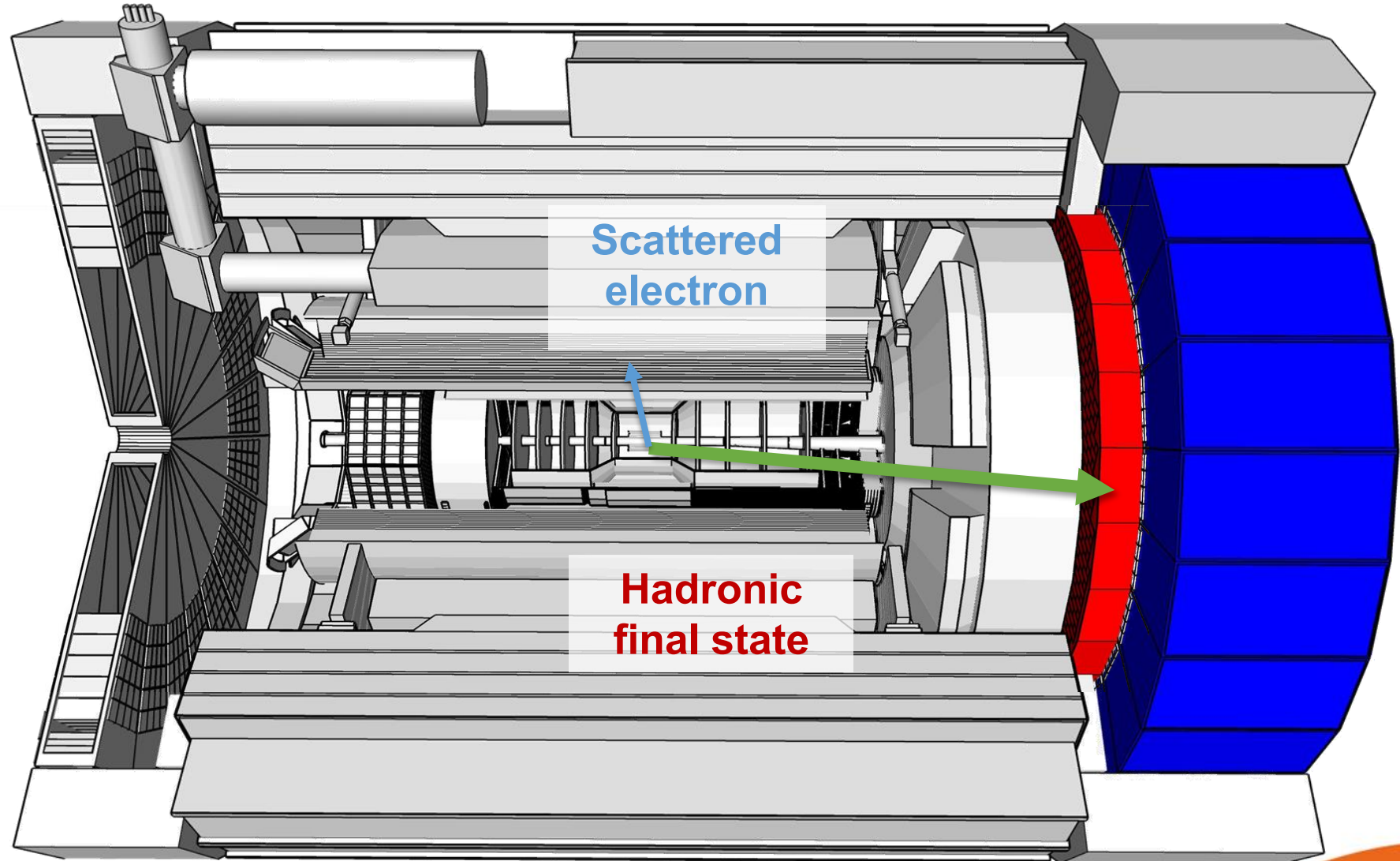
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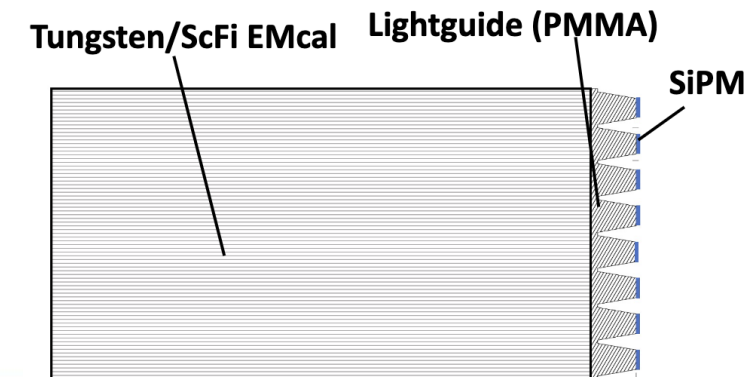
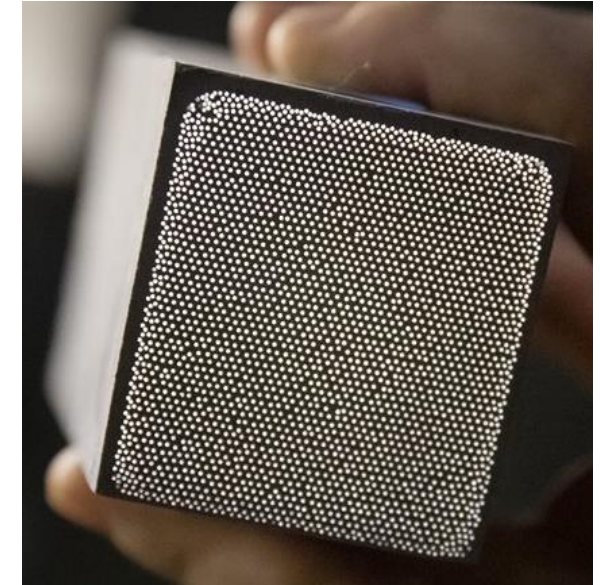
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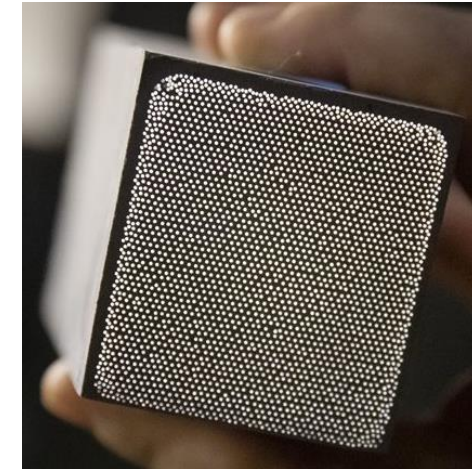
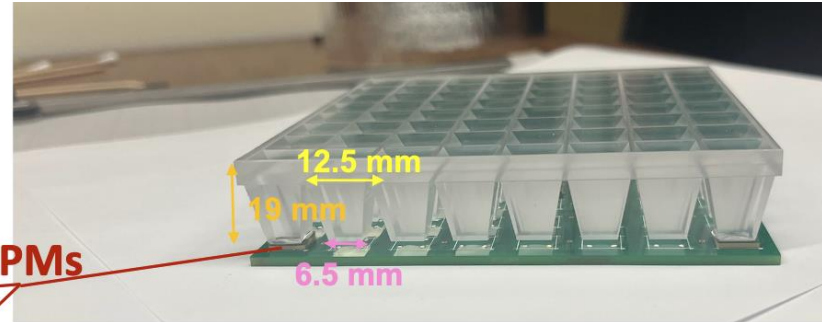
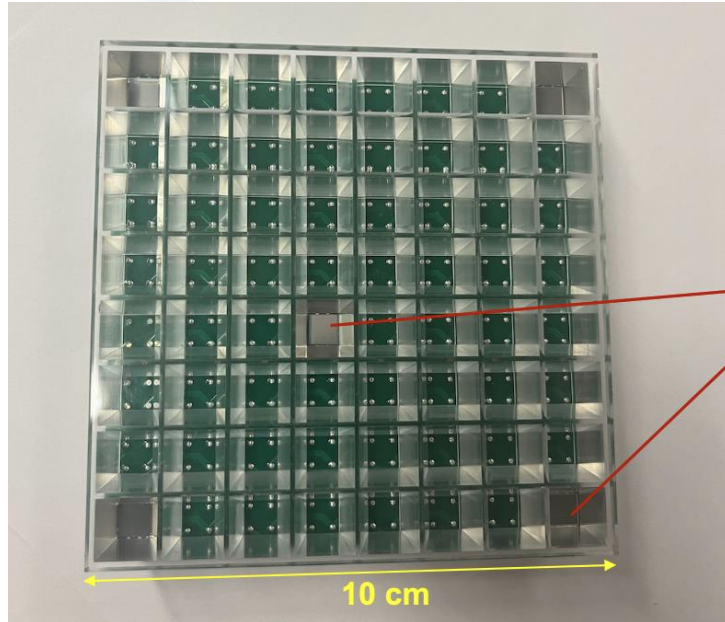
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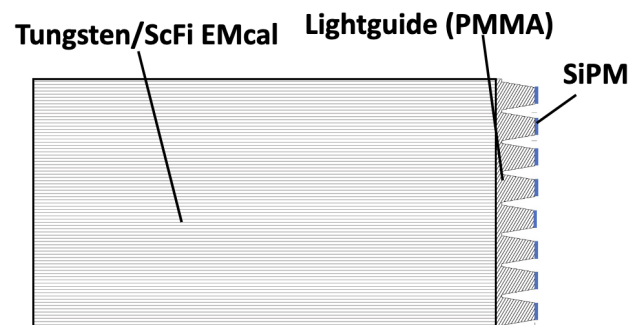


- Tungsten + SciFi SPACAL design
 - Developed through EIC R&D and applied successfully in sPHENIX EMCAL
 - Tungsten powder mixed with epoxy
- Position resolution vital to separate π^0 from γ at high energy
 - Dense absorber ($\sim 10 \text{ g/cm}^3$)
 - Readout with many SiPMs to create a small tower size
- Uniformity of construction important to reduce constant term
 - Dominates at high energy
 - Powder + epoxy enables fine control over spatial distribution of scintillator

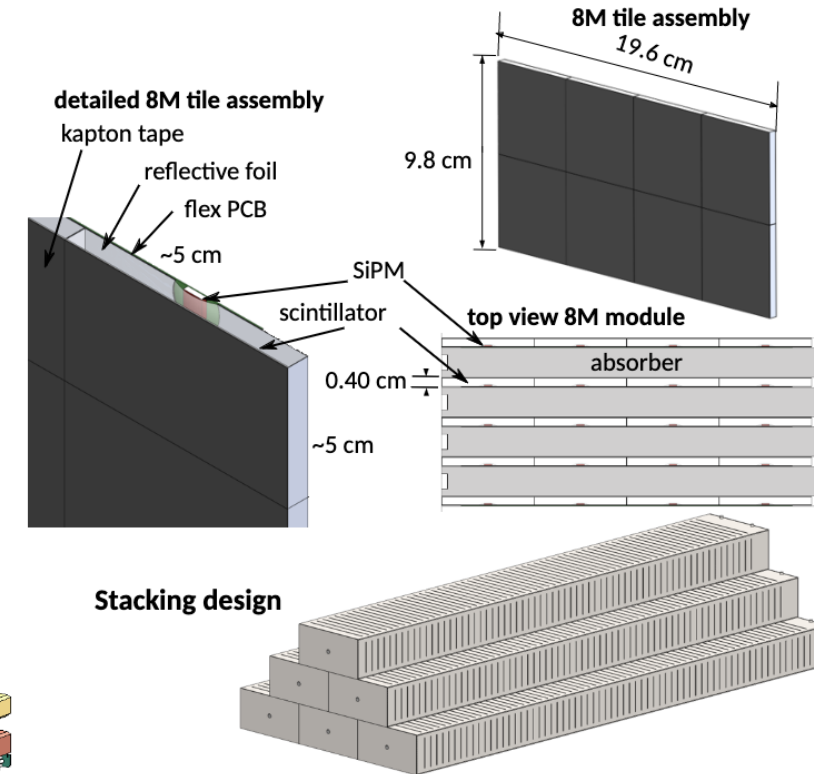
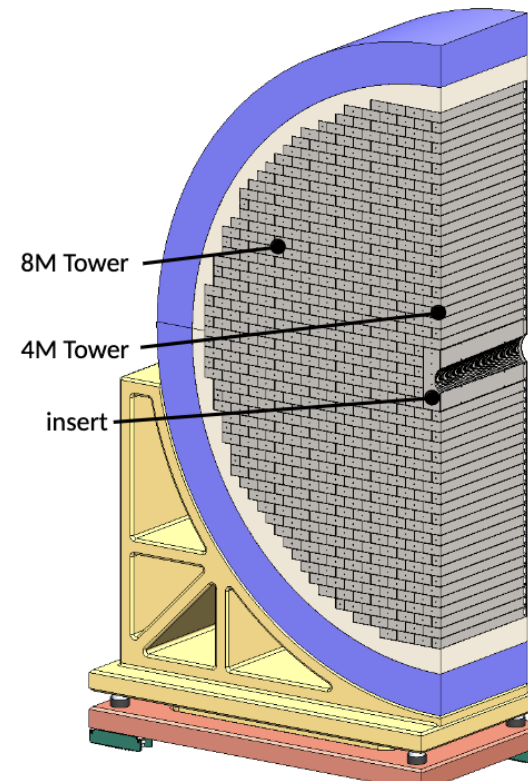




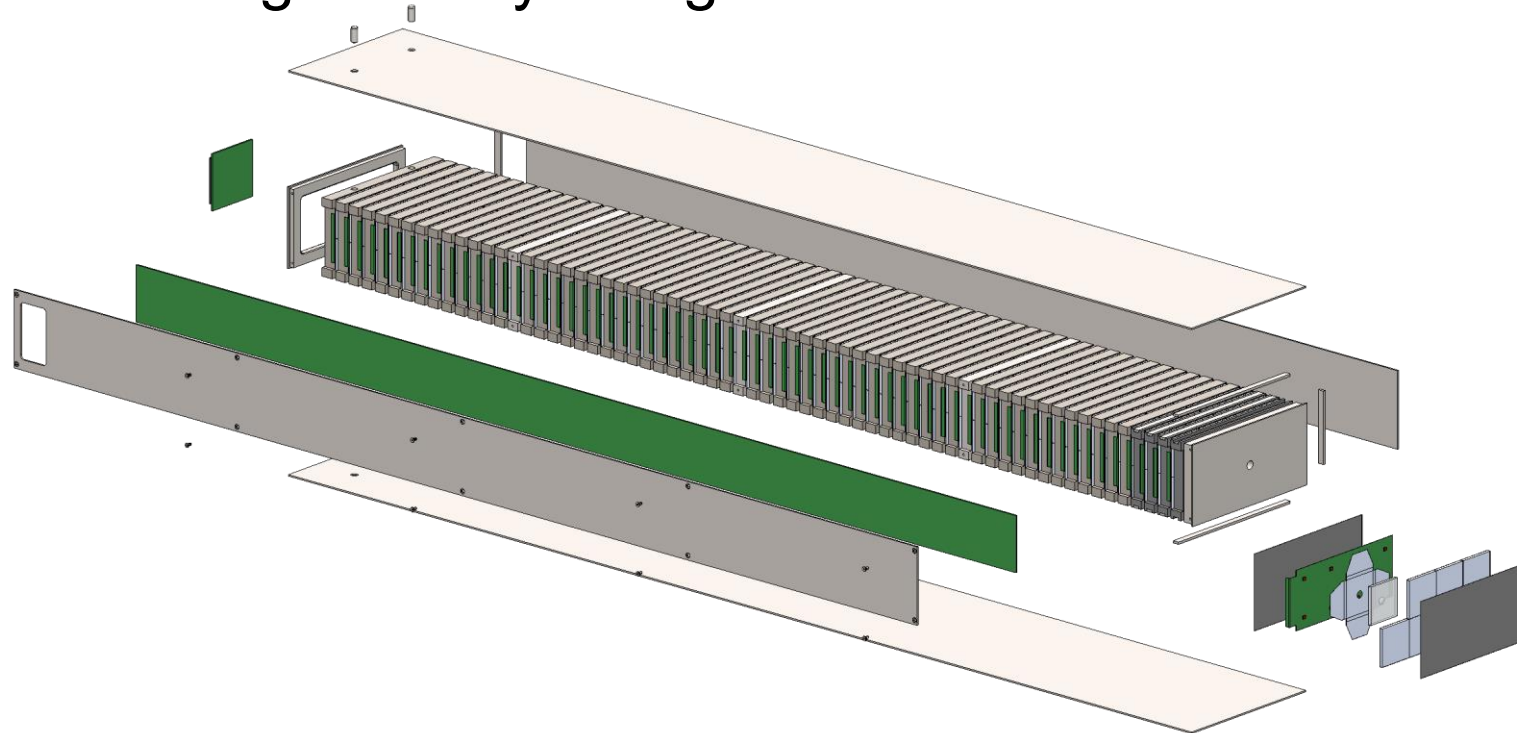
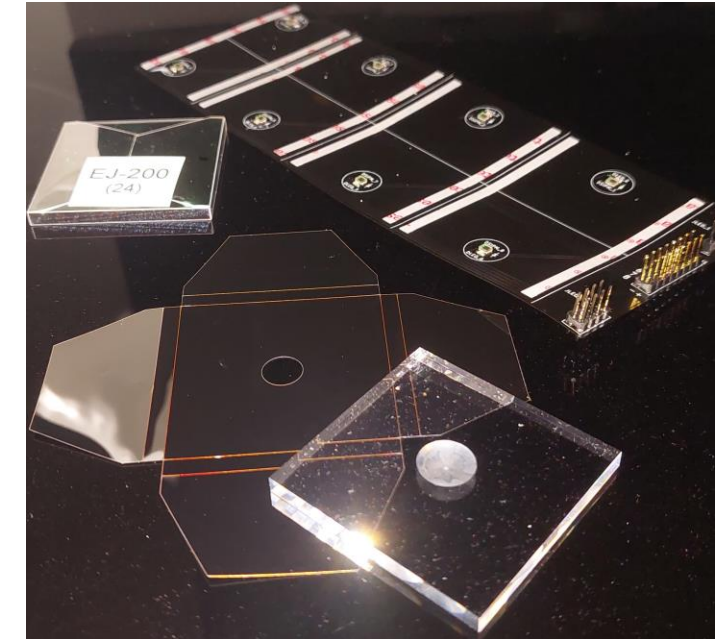
- 5 cm x 5 cm x 17 cm blocks of absorber + fibers
 - Four independent towers per block
- Each 2.5 x 2.5 cm tower is readout by four 6x6mm HPK S14 series SiPMs
- Expected energy resolution $\sim \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 1 - 3\%$



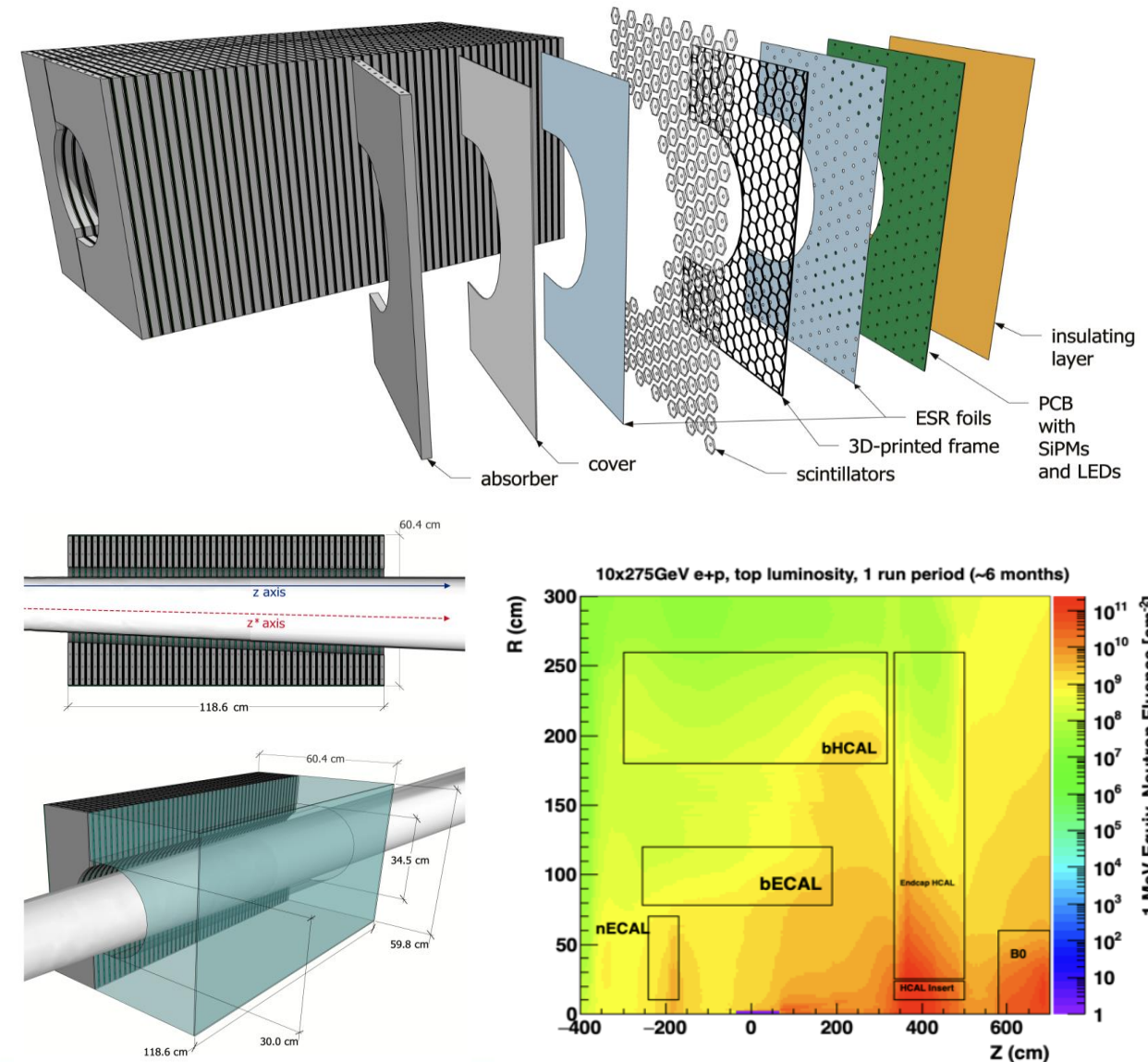
- Steel + Scintillator SiPM-on-tile
 - Pioneered by CALICE analog HCal
 - Ideal for particle-flow measurements!
- Highly segmented longitudinally, 65 layers per tower
 - 565,760 SiPMs
 - 65 layers ganged into 7 readout channels
- Stackable for “easy” construction
 - Steel as absorber significantly simplifies design, improves material uniformity
 - Achieves $\sim 6.5 \lambda_0$
- Expected resolution $\sim \frac{45\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 5\%$
 - Exceeds requirements defined by Yellow Report!

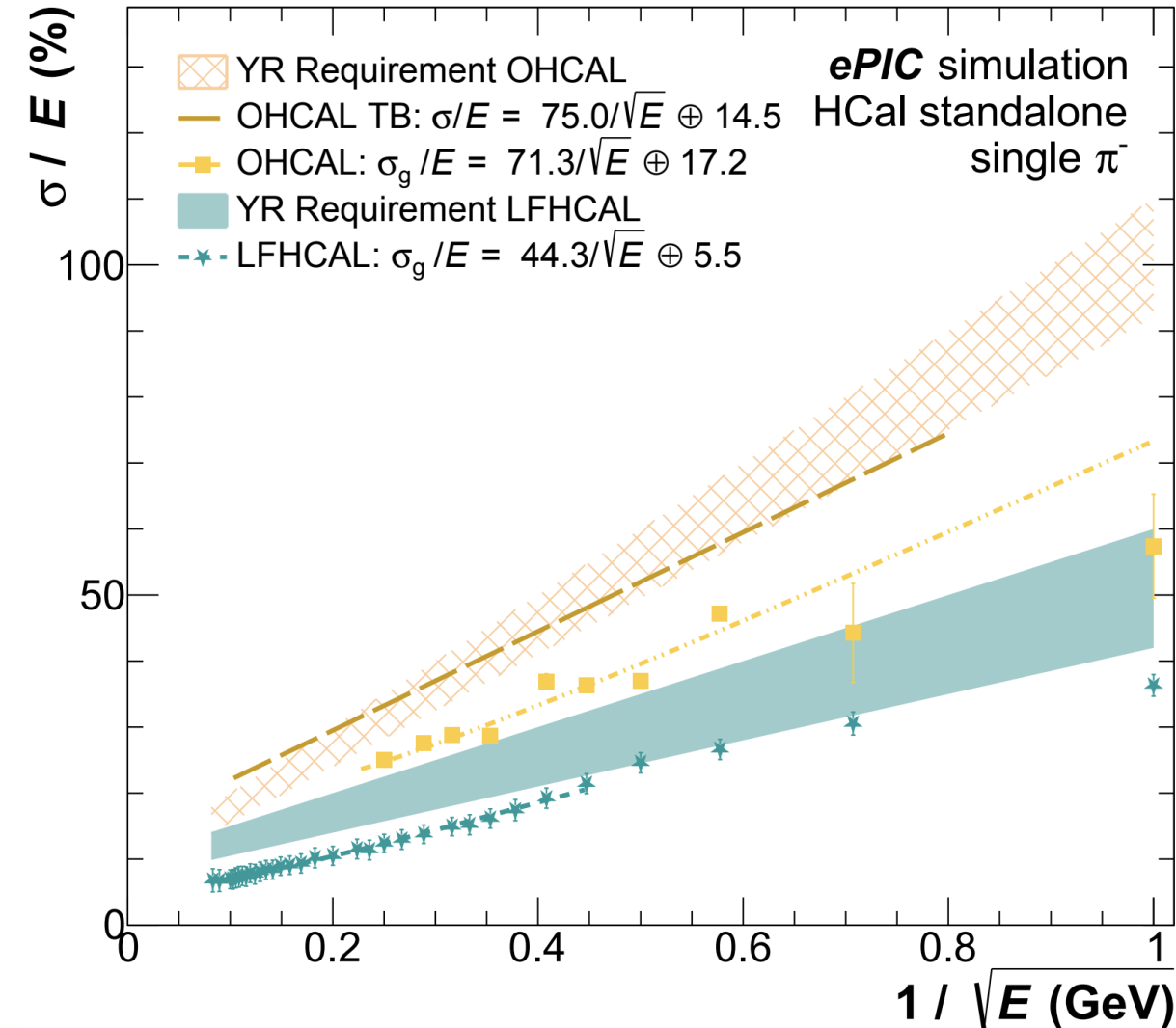
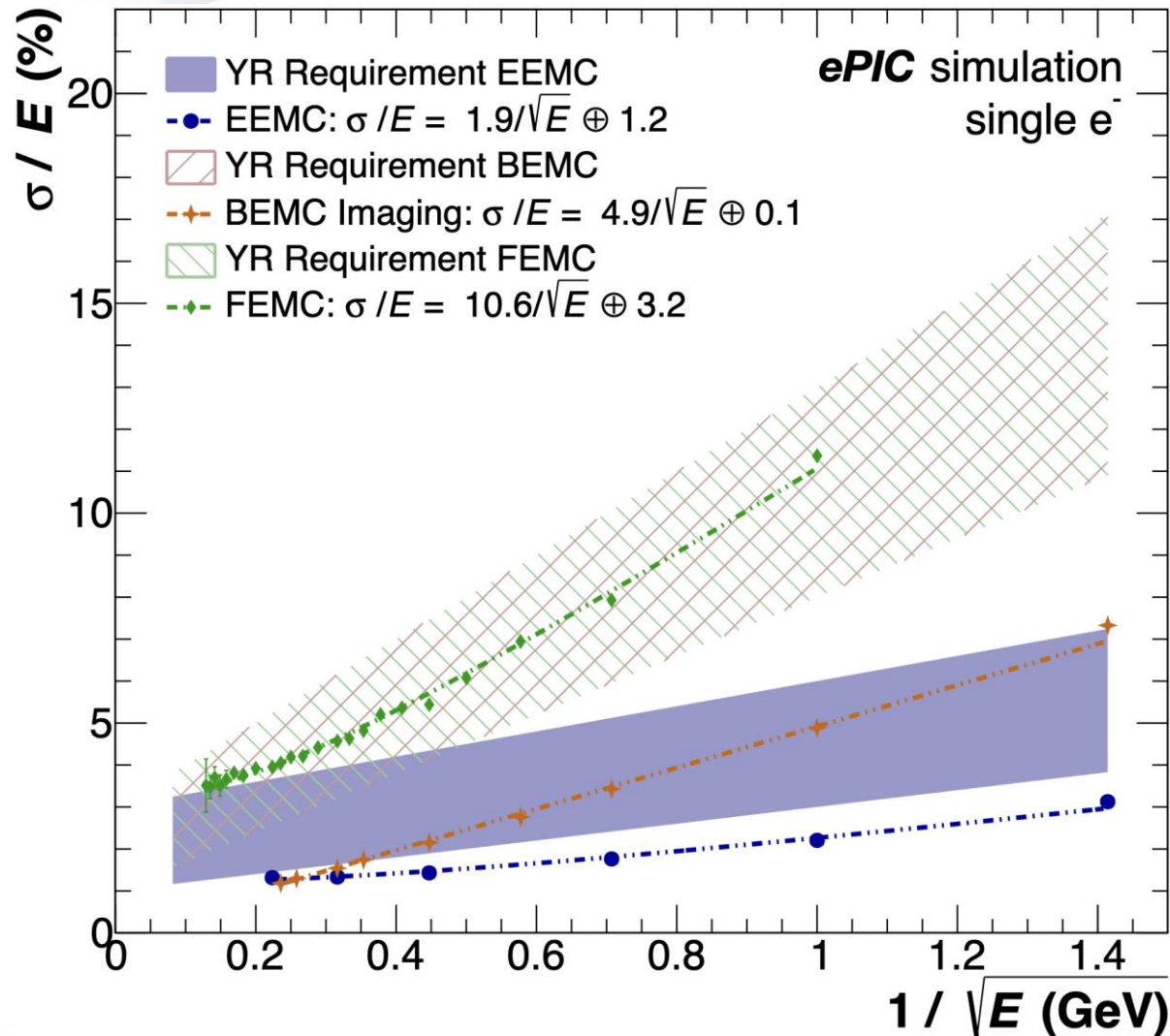


- SiPMs mounted to thin flex PCBs
 - Signals routed along PCB to periphery
- Signals brought to HGCROC at back by a thin flex PCB that runs longitudinally alongside the tower



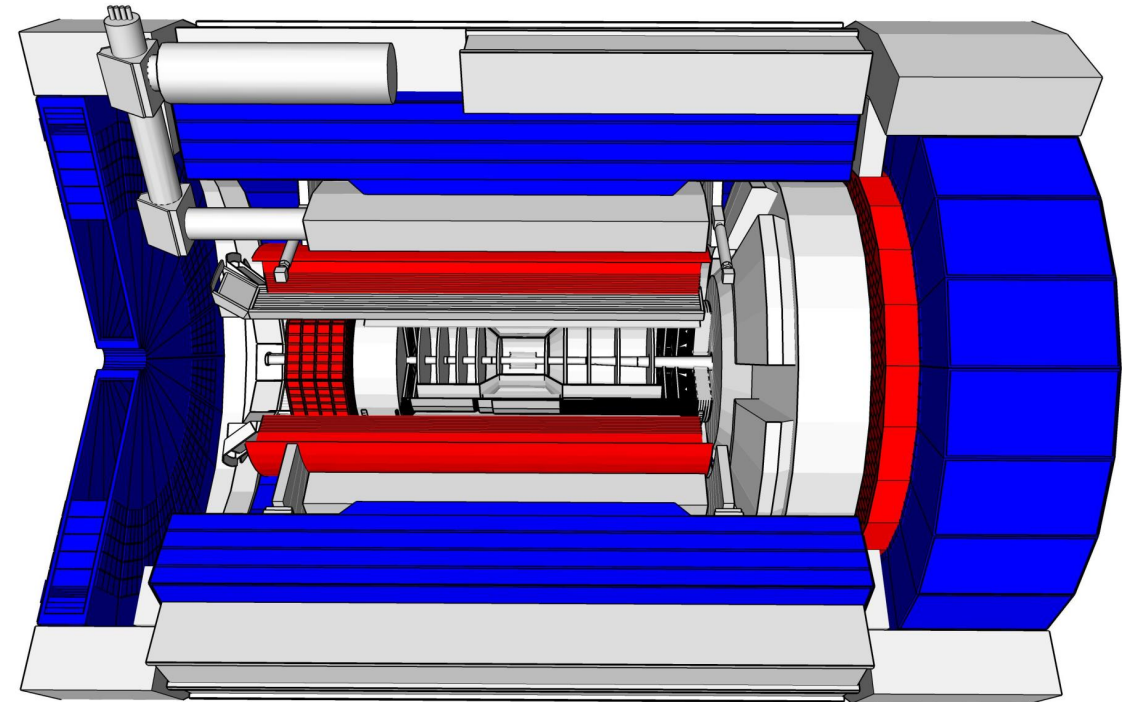
- Insert to extend central detector acceptance as much as possible in the forward direction
 - Crucial for containment of hadronic final state for inclusive kinematic reconstruction and rapidity gap diffractive measurements
 - $3.2 < \eta < 4$
 - Needs to accommodate complex beam pipe geometry
- Small hexagonal scintillator tiles for better spatial uniformity & increased light yield
- High radiation load
 - SiPMs will be serviceable
 - $\sim 10^{12}$ neq/cm²/year





- Calorimetry is a vital component of the EIC detector package
- ePIC employs unique calorimetry designs to meet the varied demands of the different detector regions
 - Designed to meet the multifarious challenges & physics of the EIC!
- The ePIC calorimeter designs meet or exceed their performance requirements¹

- EIC is scheduled to begin running in 2034
 - CD3 & Construction to begin in early 2026
- **ePIC TDR coming soon, stay tuned!**



New trends in calorimetry

European Calorimeter R&D Priorities for Future Experiments

Motivation & Objectives

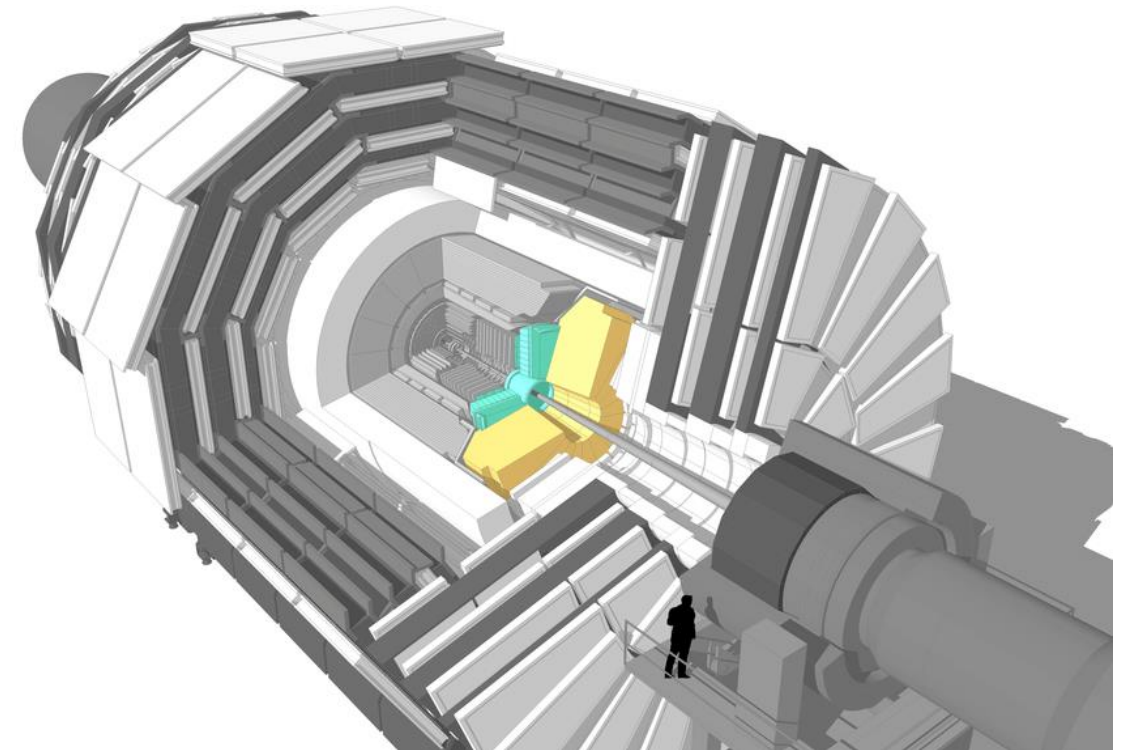
- Align with ECFA's Detector R&D Themes:
- DRDT 6.1: Precision EM calorimeters (radiation-hard, high granularity)
- DRDT 6.2: Imaging calorimeters (PFA-capable, multi-dimensional)
- DRDT 6.3: Calorimetry for extreme environments (radiation, timing, rates)
- Target detectors for future facilities:
Higgs factories, muon colliders, EIC, and intensity frontier experiments
- Emphasis on **system-level R&D**: materials, mechanics, electronics, and integration

Work Packages (WPs):

- 1.WP1: Imaging sandwich calorimeters
- 2.WP2: Noble liquid calorimeters
- 3.WP3: Optical calorimeters
- 4.WP4: Electronics and readout systems

Cross-Working Groups (WGs):

- Photodetectors (esp. SiPMs)
- Mechanics & thermal management
- Simulation, reconstruction, AI/ML
- Beam test coordination
- Industrial links & production



Close-up view of the HGCAL endcap in CMS endcaps

Technologies & Projects:

- **SiW-ECAL**: Analog silicon pads (ILD, CMS HGCAL lineage)
- **DECAL**: CMOS pixel-based digital ECAL (MAPS)
- **Sc-ECAL**: Scintillator strips with SiPMs
- **AHCAL**: Highly segmented hadronic calorimeter
- **MPGD-HCAL**: Micropattern gas detector for HCAL
- **T-SDHCAL**: Semi-digital with timing capability

Common Goals:

- High spatial resolution (cm-scale or better)
- Integration of front-end ASICs in the active layers
- Power pulsing & compact mechanics
- Compatibility with PFA and timing layers

Focus:

- Use of **liquid argon** and **liquid xenon** as active media
- Emphasis on **homogeneity, stability, and radiation resistance**

Ongoing R&D:

- Electrode design for high granularity (mm-scale)
- Electronics: cryogenic ASICs vs. warm readout options
- Mechanical structures and long-term purity control
- Test module construction (2024–2028)

Applications:

- FCC-ee precision calorimetry
- Background suppression in muon colliders

Technologies:

- **Crystal calorimeters:** e.g., MAXICC, Crilin (ultra-fast, homogeneous)
- **Scintillator-sampling ECALs:** e.g., SpaCal, GRAiNITA, RADiCAL
- **Dual-readout and timing calorimeters:** e.g., DRCal

Innovations:

- Use of novel crystals (LYSO, BGO, PbF_2) and nanocomposites
- Focus on ultrafast timing (30–50 ps resolution)
- Dual-readout for compensation and resolution improvement
- Compactness and modularity for integration

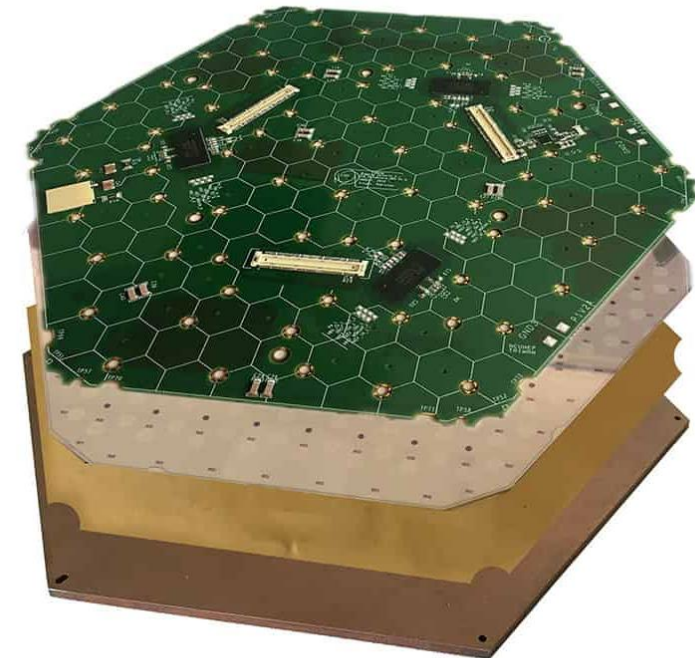
Challenges:

- Front-end ASICs must support:
 - **Low power, high timing precision, radiation tolerance**
- Development of:
 - Digitization close to sensor
 - Clock distribution and synchronization
 - Data compression and trigger integration

Collaborations:

- Shared designs across WP1–3

Common effort with DRD7 (Electronics)



Photodetectors:

- SiPM characterization, lifetime tests, saturation behavior

Simulation & Software:

- Unified frameworks (e.g., DD4hep, GEANT4)
- ML-enhanced reconstruction (energy regression, clustering)

Beam Test Coordination:

- Shared test campaigns at CERN, DESY, FNAL
- DAQ standardization, infrastructure sharing

Industry Collaboration:

- Scalable production of scintillators, crystals, electro



Timeline:

- 2024–2026: Small and medium-scale prototype tests
- 2026+: Integrated modules, beam tests with tracking
- 2030+: Design studies for FCC, MuC, ILC, EIC
- Final goal: Deliver validated technologies for TDRs (~2035)

Deliverables:

- Comparative performance benchmarks
- System integration studies
- Technical demonstrators

Summary:

- DRD6 is central to next-generation calorimeter development in Europe
- Emphasis on imaging, precision, and fast timing
- Strong collaboration between institutions and DRDs
- Positioned to deliver mature technologies for future colliders

Outlook:

- Expect increased beam test activity and prototype scaling
- Cross-fertilization with ongoing LHC and EIC upgrades
- Opportunities for new collaborators, especially in ASICs and ML