

Novel Approach for Measuring ISR Photons at BESIII

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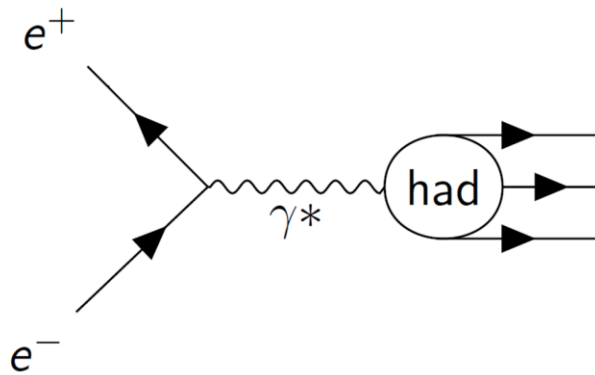
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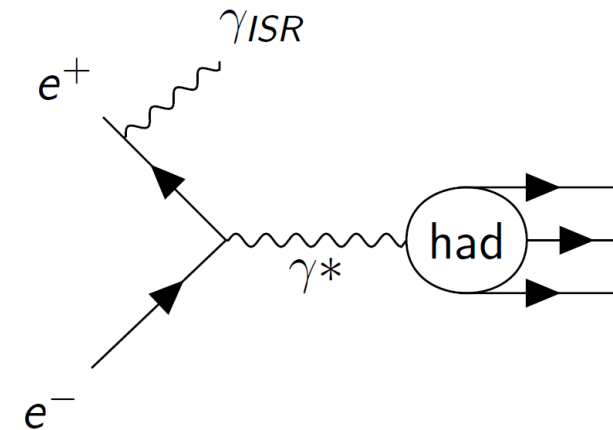
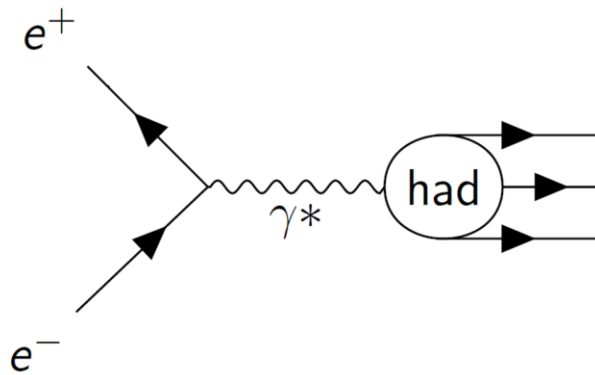
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Initial State Radiation (ISR)

- ISR photon reduces effective center of mass energy
- Cover energy range: $2m_\pi < \sqrt{s'} < \sqrt{s}$
- Collect high statistics data set at one beam energy



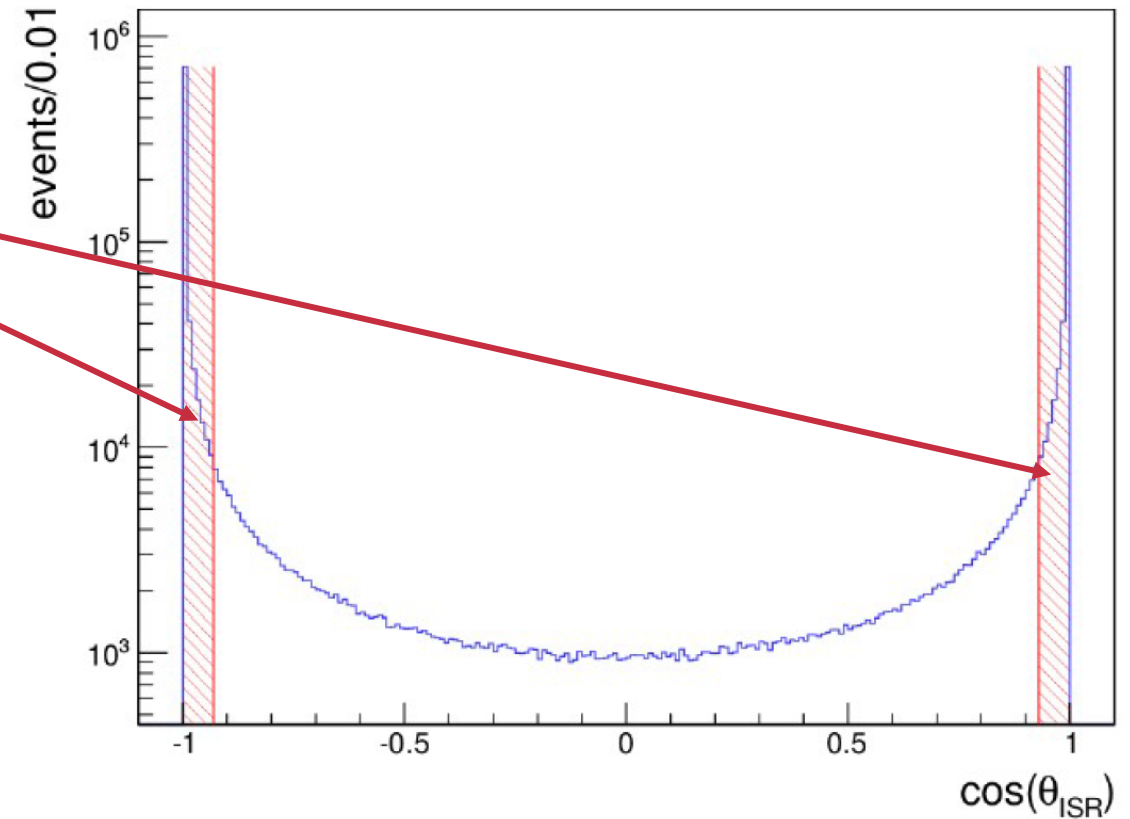
Initial State Radiation - Methods

Most ISR photons emitted at small angles
→ Outside of typical detector acceptance

ISR Methods:

- Reconstruct photon from $E - \vec{p}$ conservation (untagged)
- Measure photon directly in EMC (tagged)

polar angle distribution of ISR photons (MC)



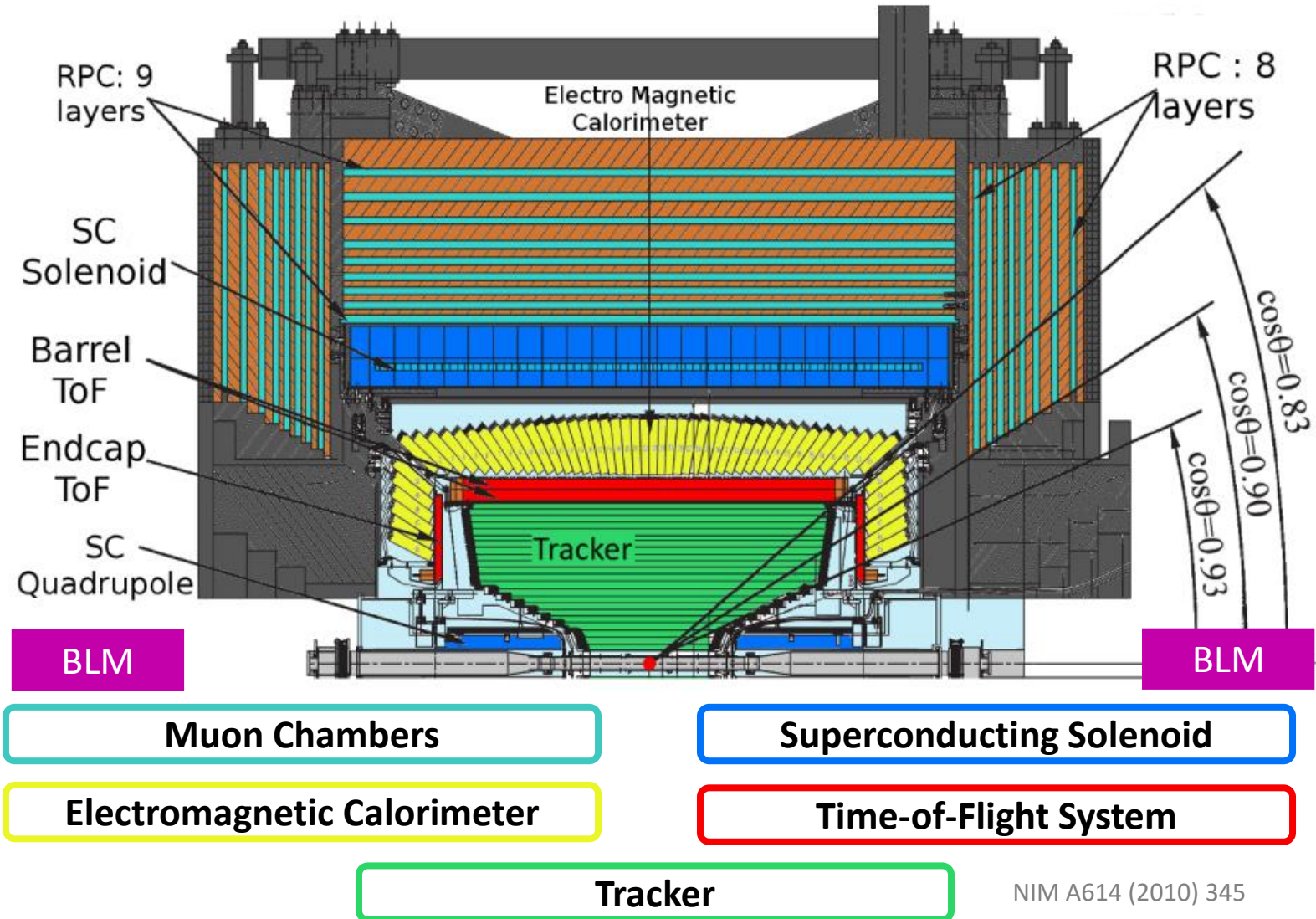
BEPCII – Beijing Electron-Positron Collider

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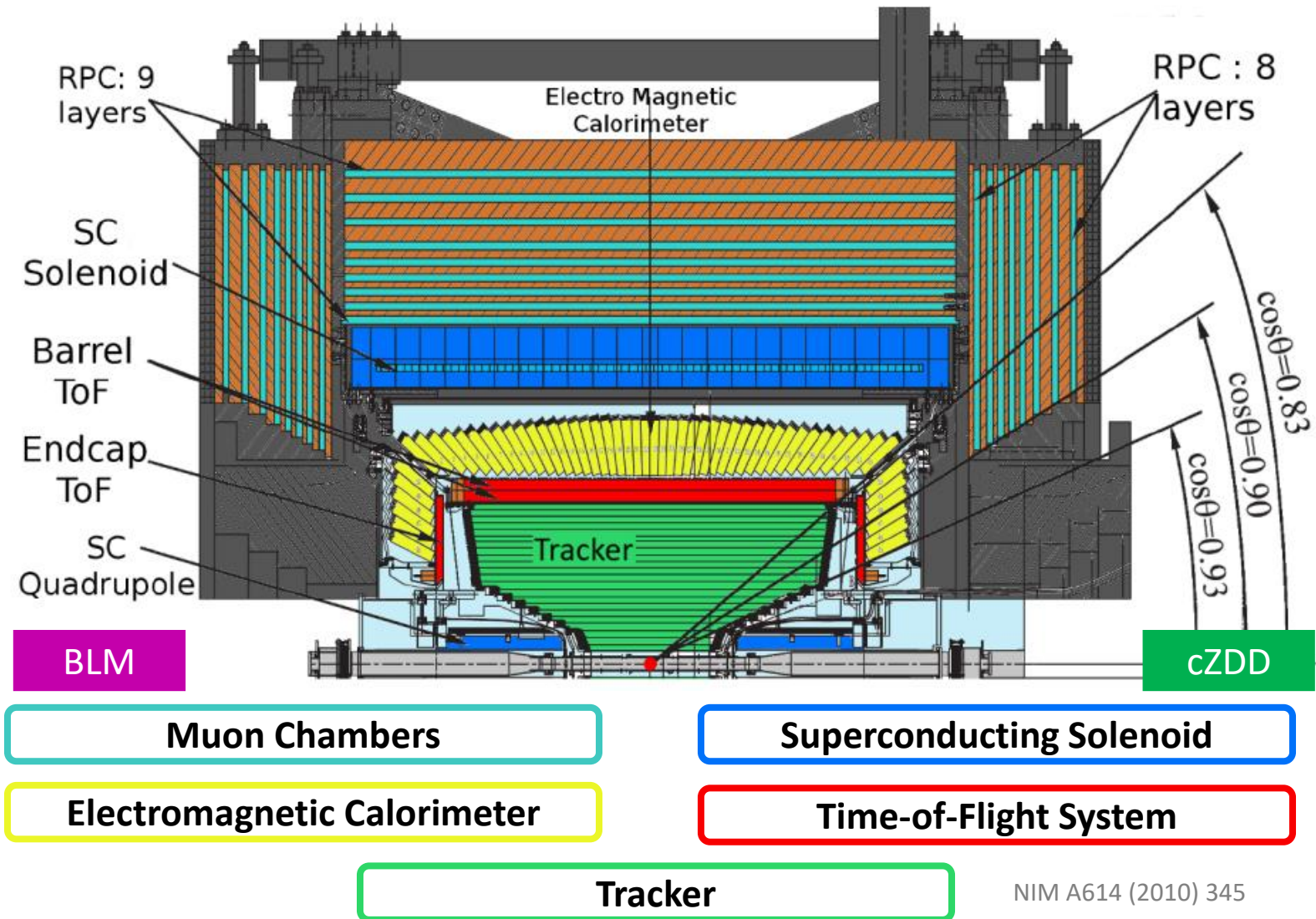
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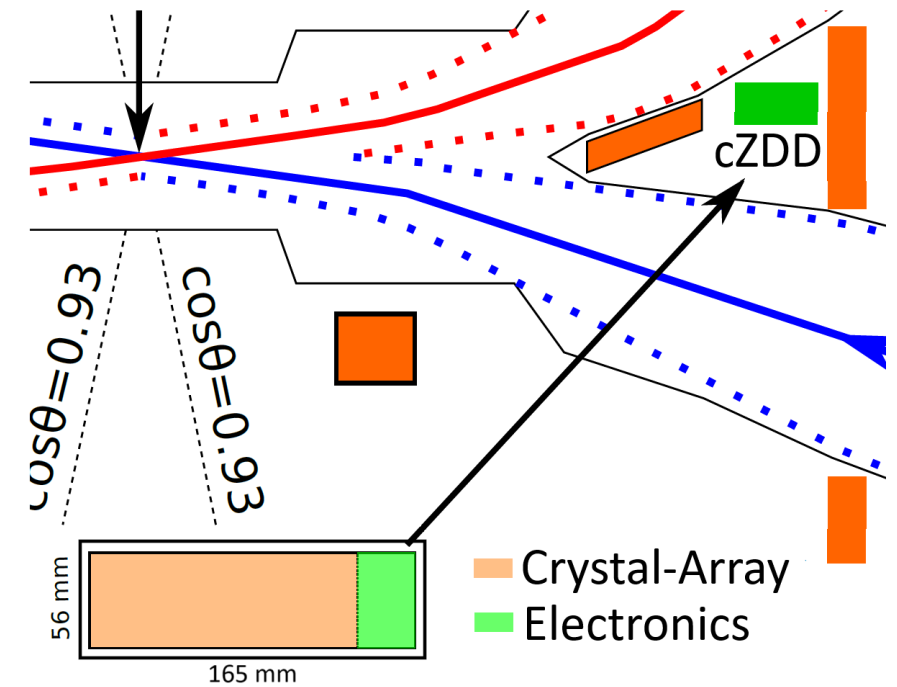
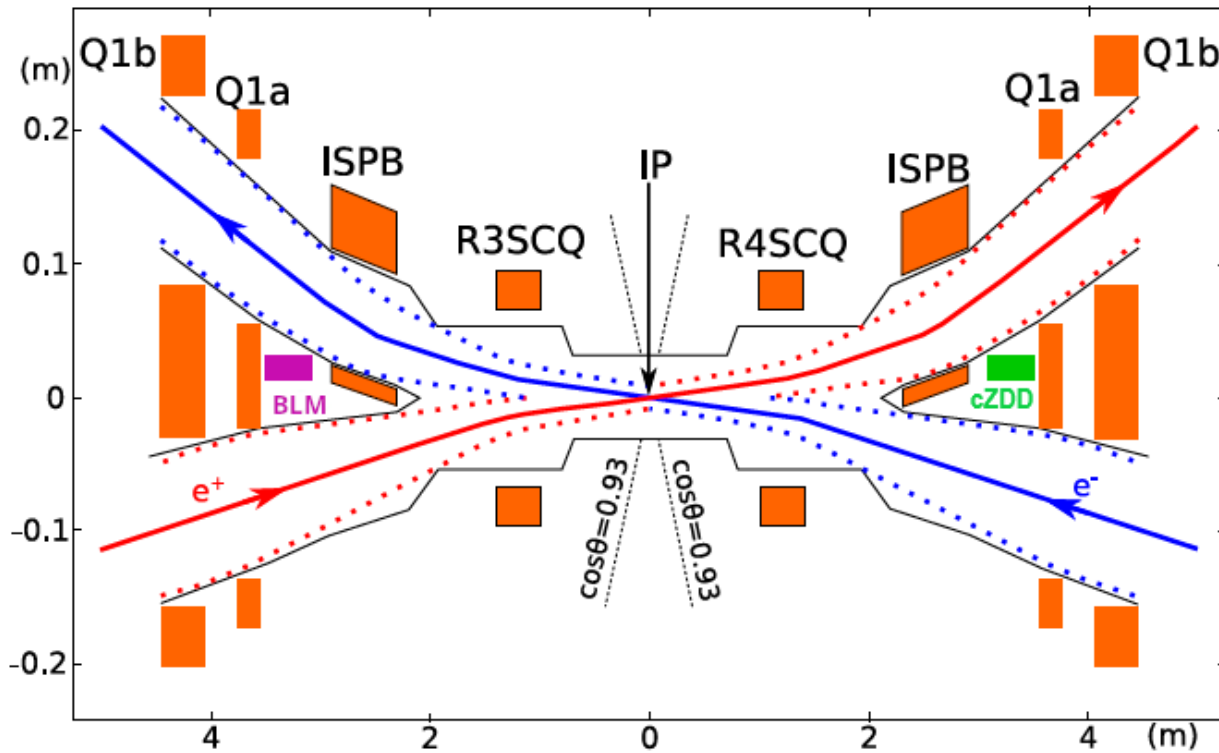
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Location of cZDD

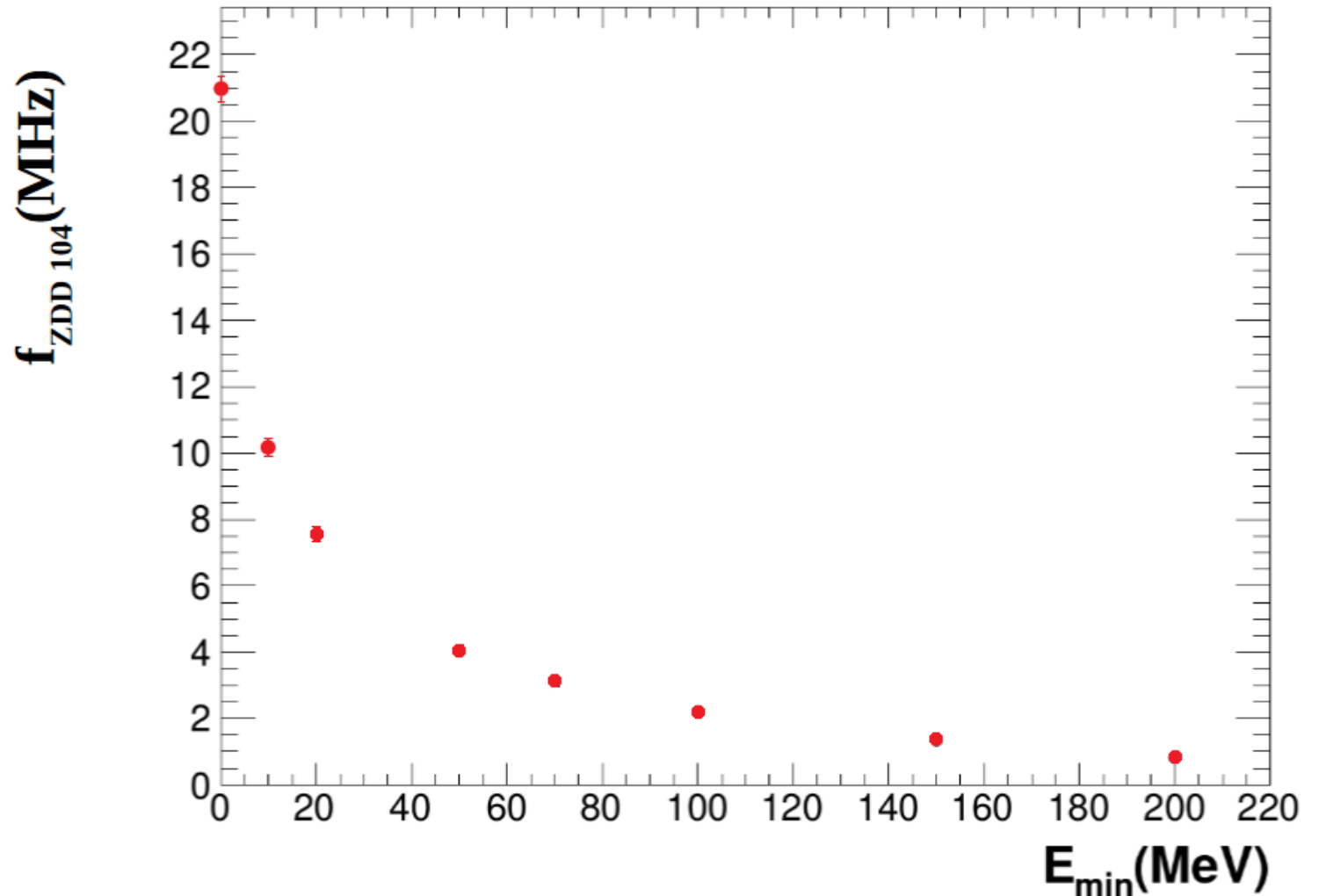


Challenges:

- Constrained space between beam pipes
- High background rates

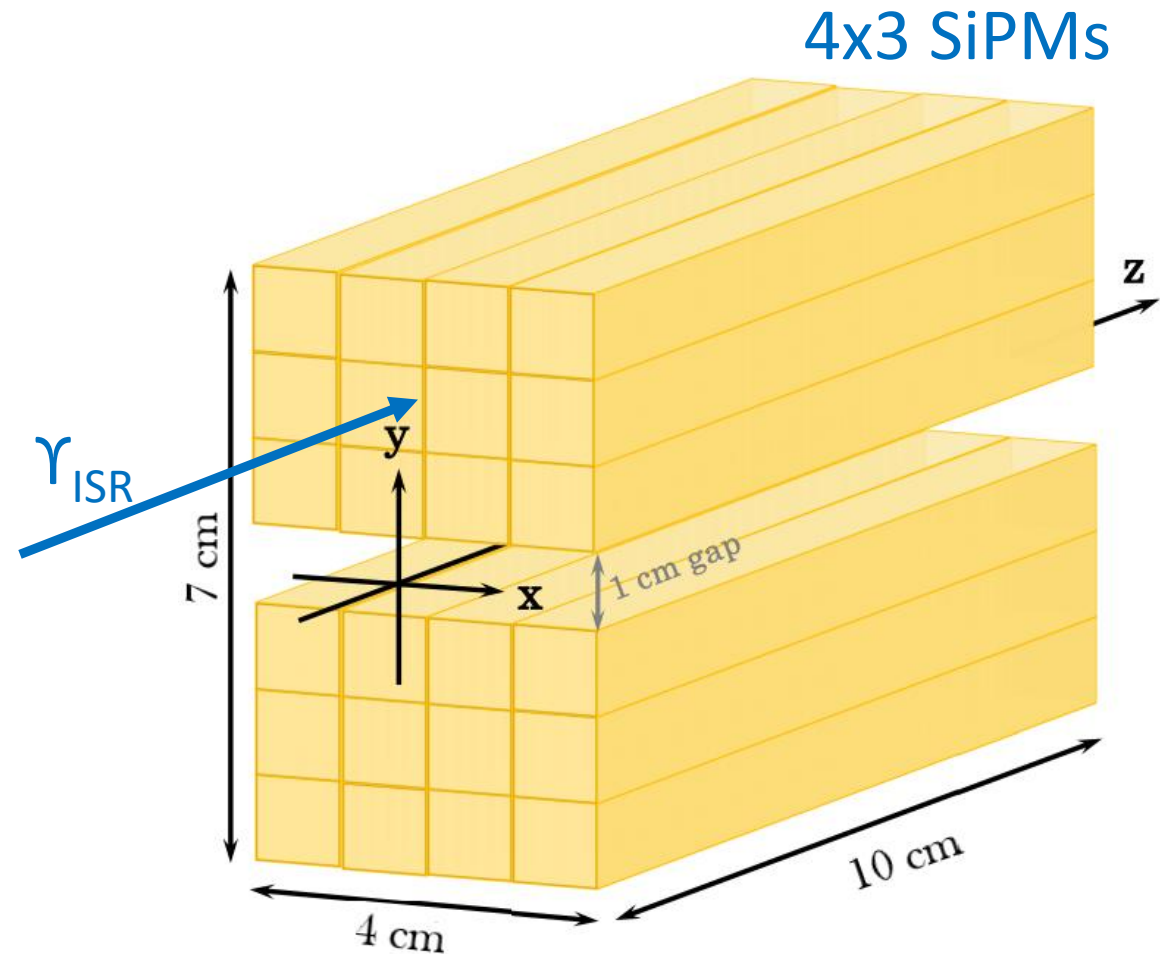
cZDD as Luminosity Monitor

- Correctly reconstruct low rate, high energy ISR photons over background
- Measure precise relative beam luminosity by detecting background spectrum



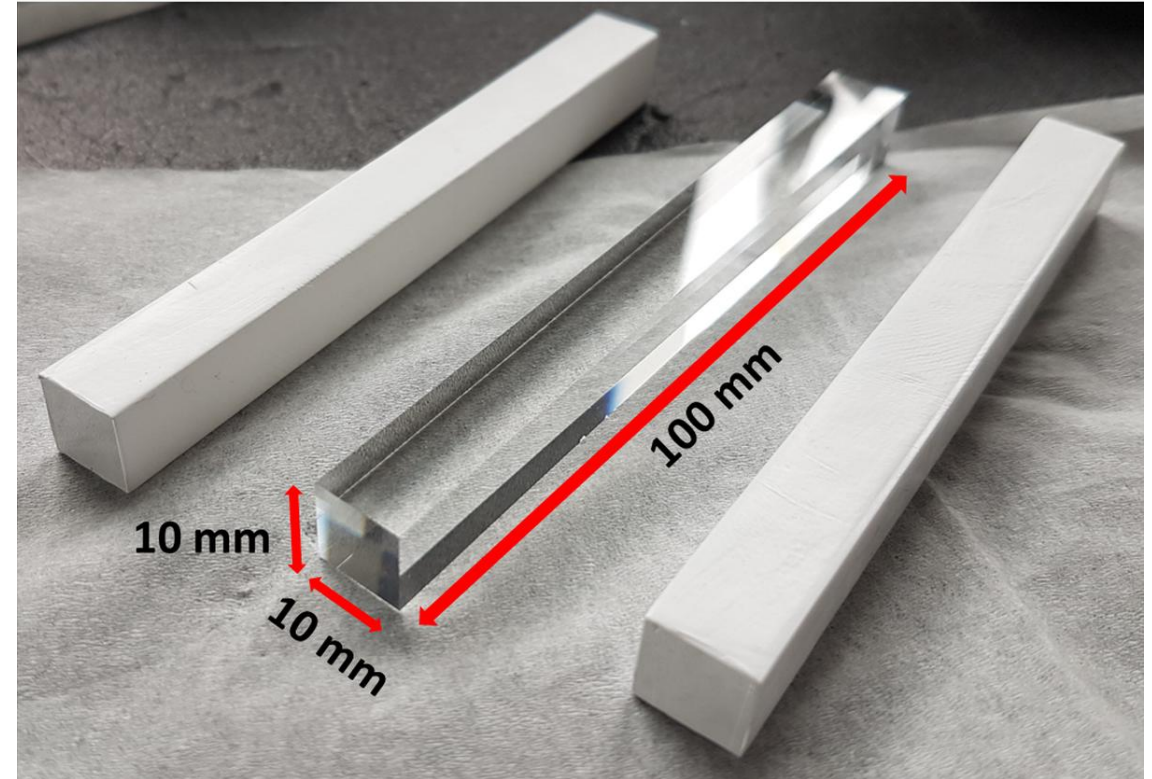
crystal Zero Degree Detector (cZDD)

- Two arrays of 4x3 crystals with polar angle acceptance of $0.1^\circ < \theta < 0.7^\circ$
- 1 cm gap due to Bremsstrahlung at small angles
- SiPMs collect light output
- cZDD signal sent to luminosity module and ISR online feature extraction module



Lutetium-yttrium oxyorthosilicate (LYSO) Crystals

- High density ($\approx 7.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$)
- Molière radius ($\approx 2.1 \text{ cm}$)
- Fast decay time ($\approx 42 \text{ ns}$)
- Radiation hardness ($> 10^8 \text{ rad}$)
- Maximal emission wavelength of 420 nm
- High light output

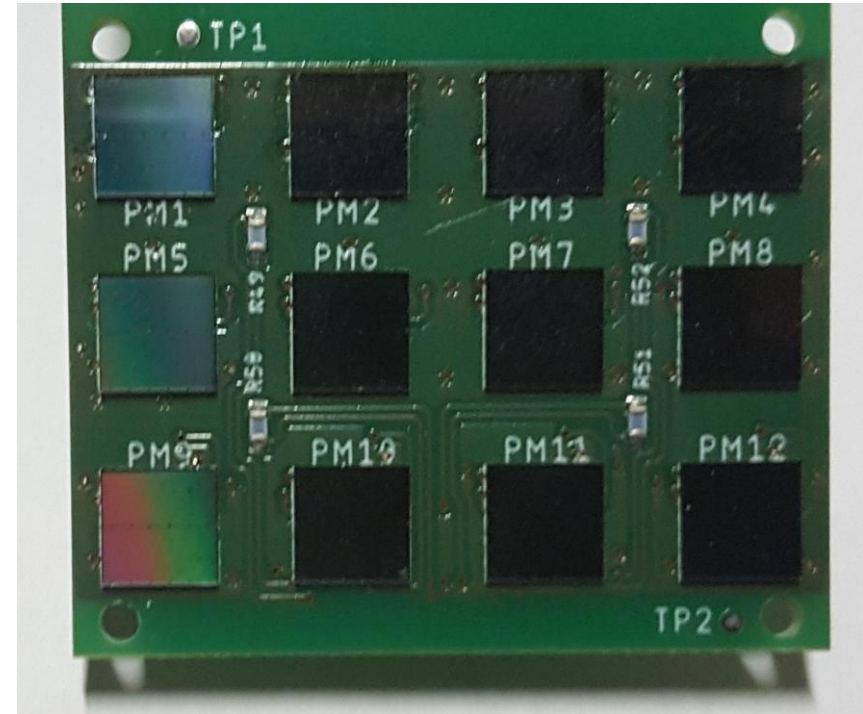


Epic-Crystal, "LYSO(ce)", <http://www.epic-crystal.com/oxide-scintillators/lyso-ce-scintillator.html>, 27.08.2021

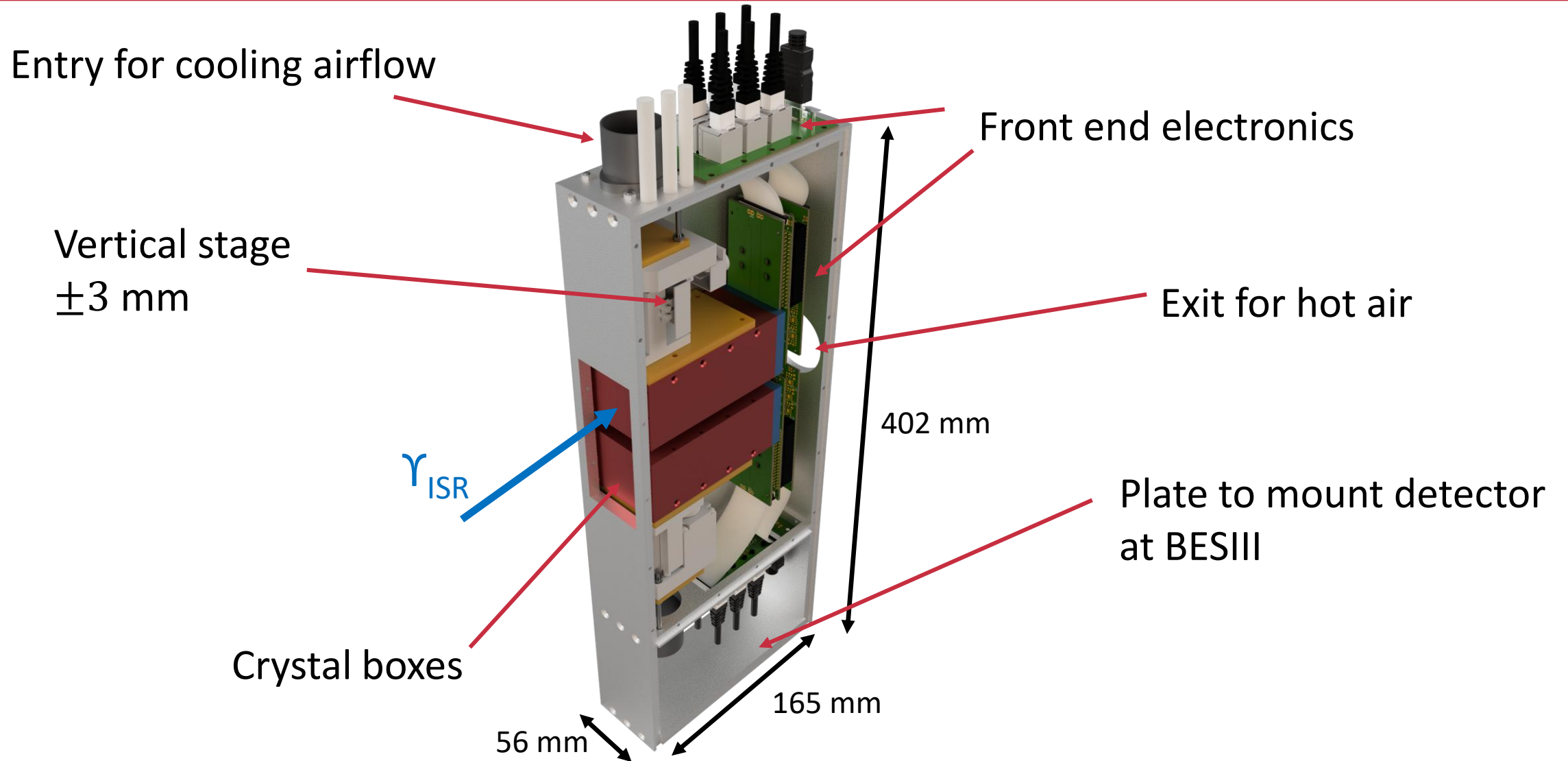
J-Series Silicon Photomultiplier

- Onsemi J-Series 60035
- Photon Detection Efficiency > 50 % at 420 nm
- RC charging time constant of 50 ns
- Total of 22,292 pixels on active area of (6 x 6) mm²
- Dark count rate temperature dependent (~ MHz)

SensL, "J-Series: High PDE and Timing Resolution, TSV Package Datasheet"

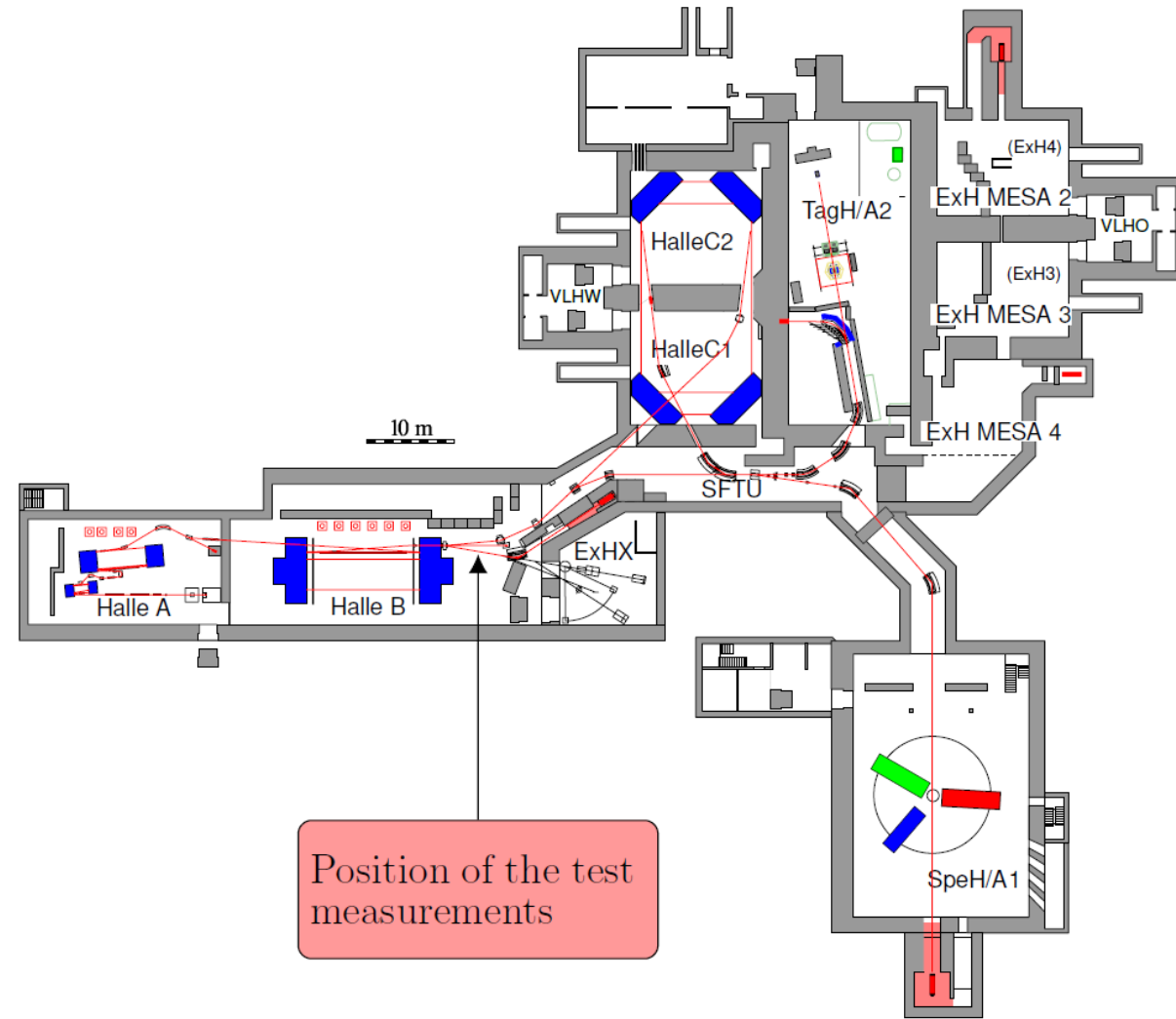


cZDD Mounting



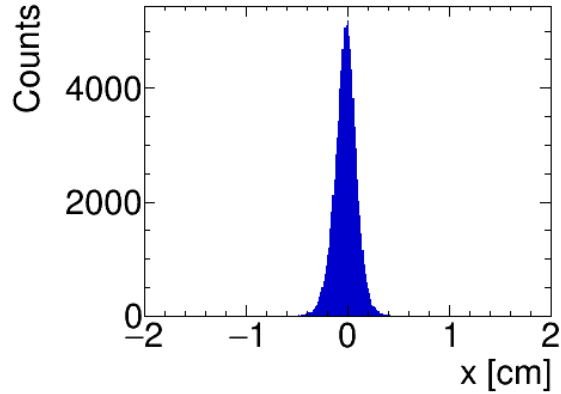
Testbeam at Mainz Microtron (MAMI)

- Electron beam energy of
 ≈ 180 MeV to 855 MeV at RTM3
 \approx up to 1.6 GeV at HDSM
- Maximal cw current of $\approx 100 \mu\text{A}$
- Small beam with high intensity

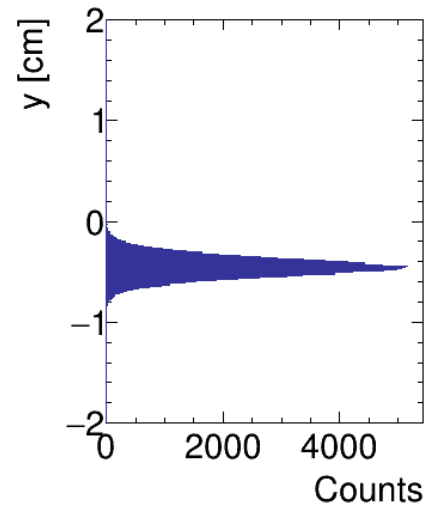
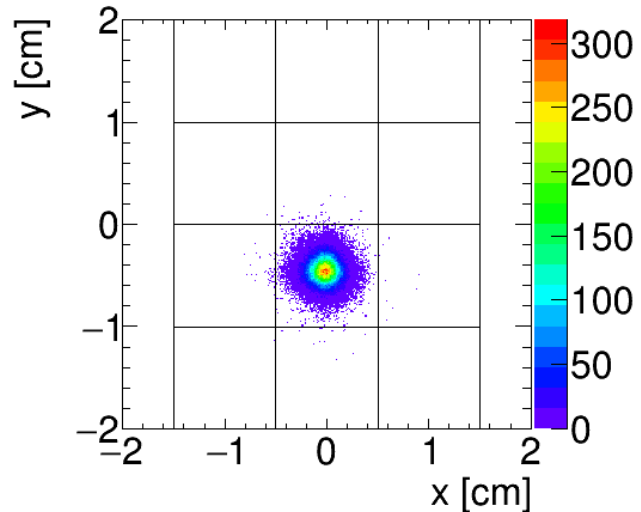


MAMI Testbeam – Position and Energy Resolution

2D-Integral Position Histogram for Crystal 6

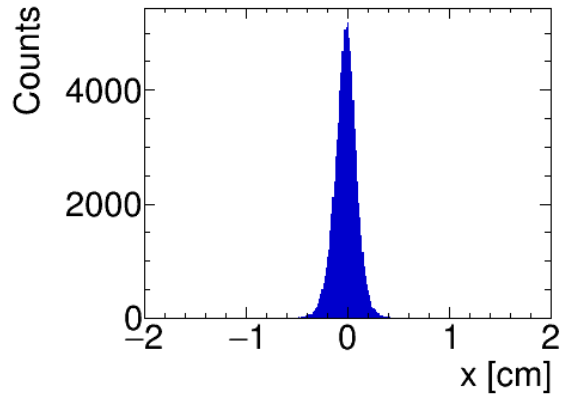


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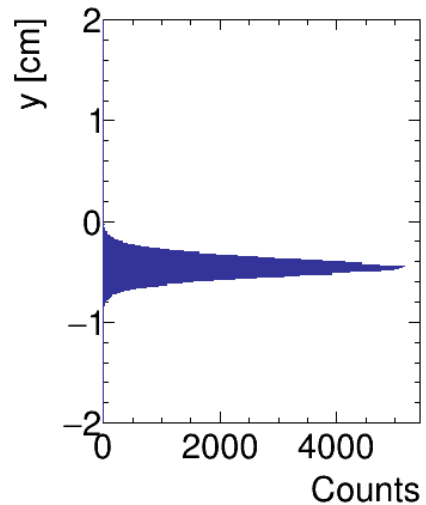
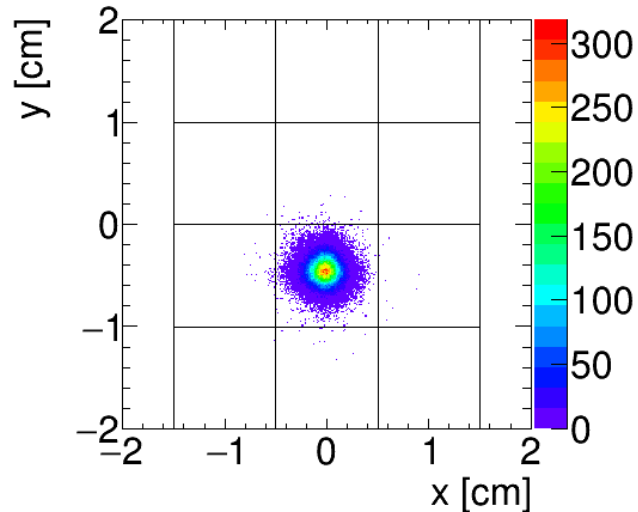


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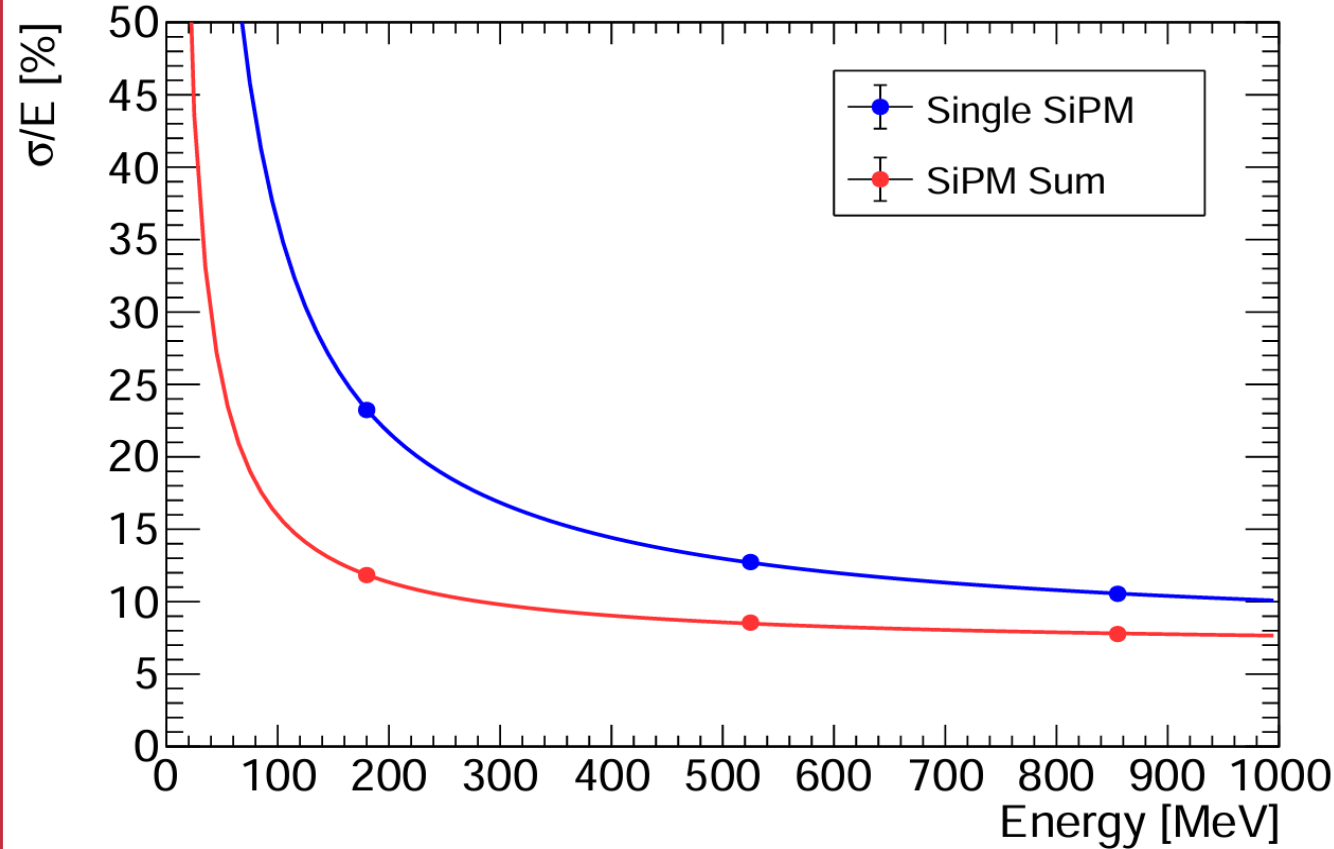
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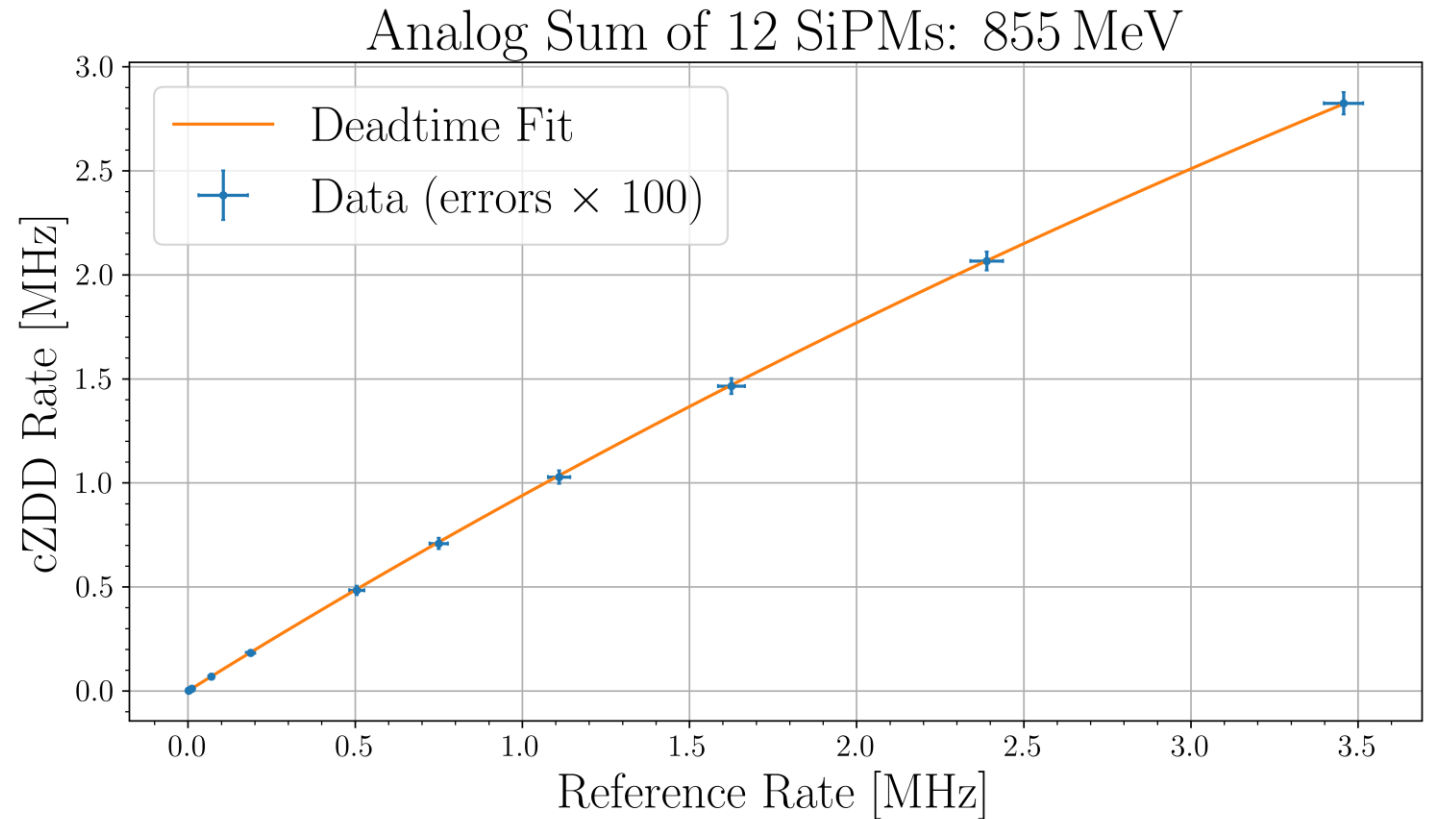


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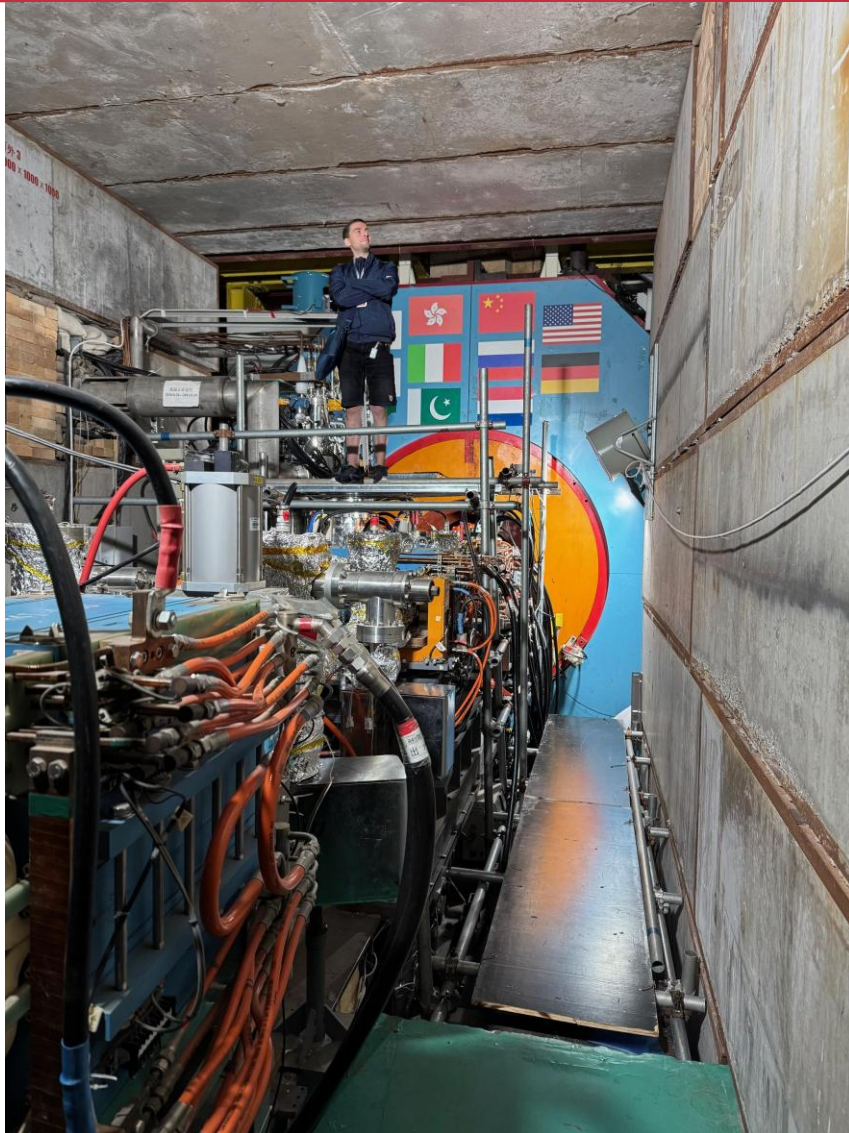


MAMI Testbeam – Deadtime

- cZDD compared to reference Cherenkov detector
- Deadtime correction:
$$R_{\text{corr}} = \frac{R}{(1+R \cdot \tau)}$$
- $\tau = 65.2 \pm 0.3 \text{ ns}$



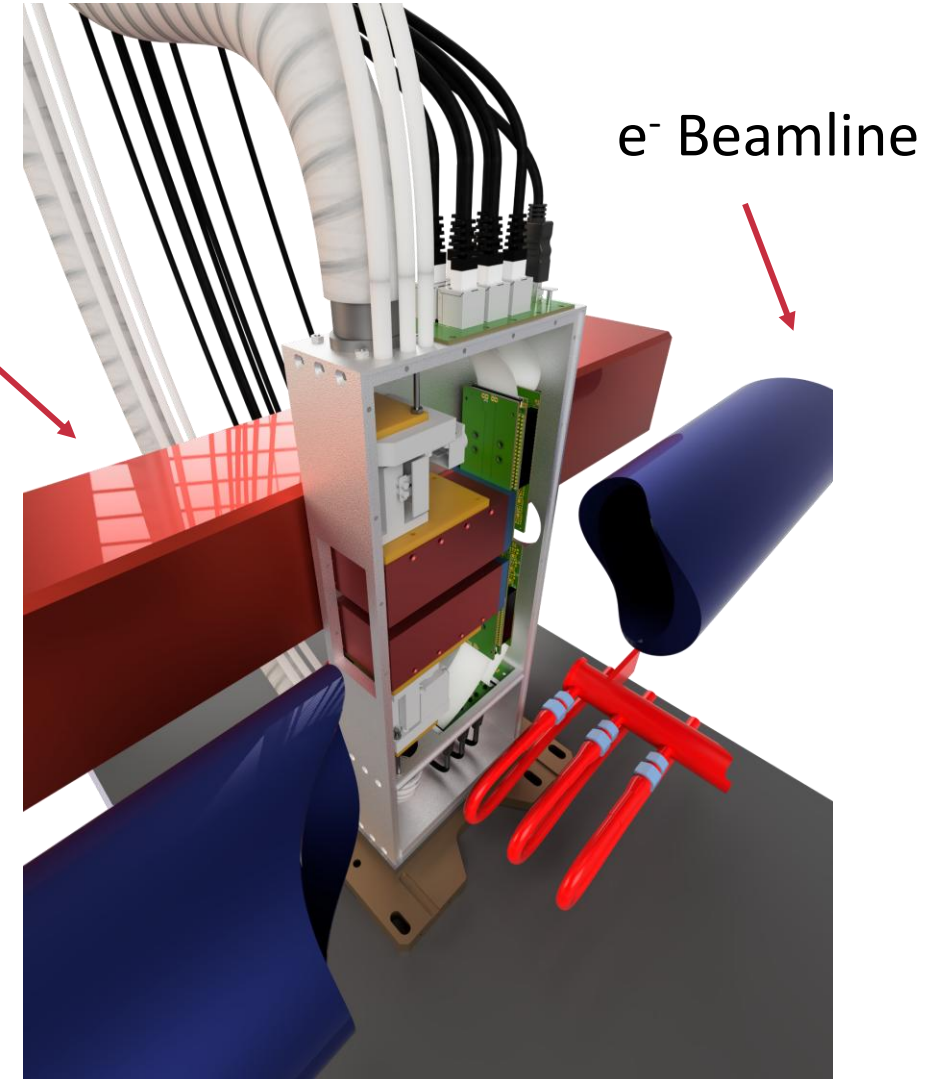
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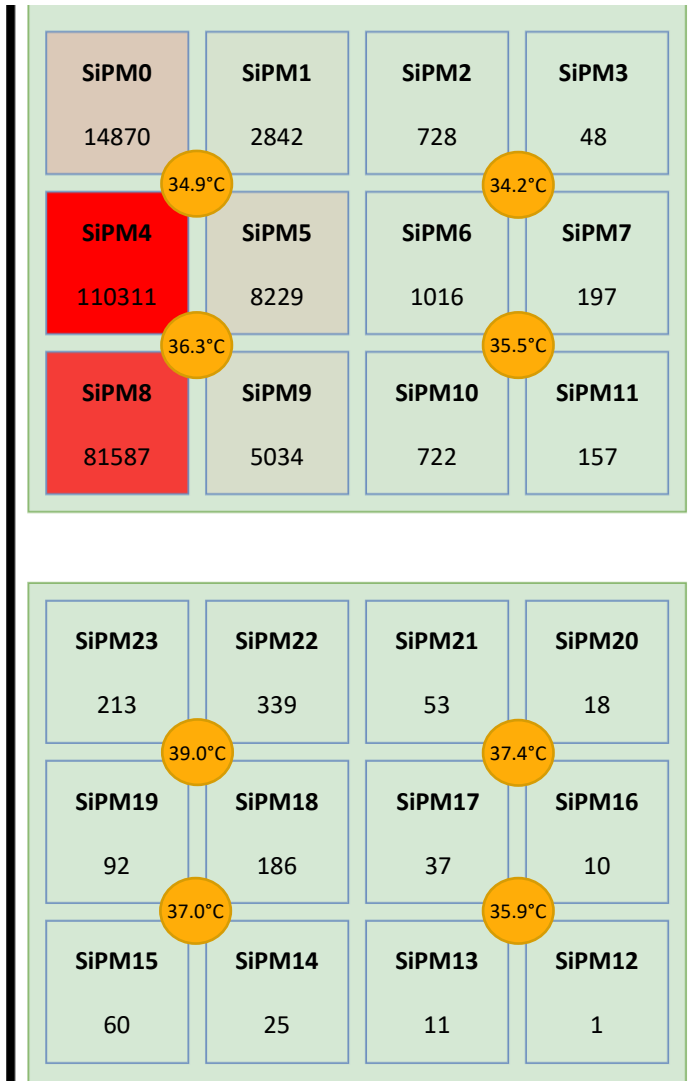
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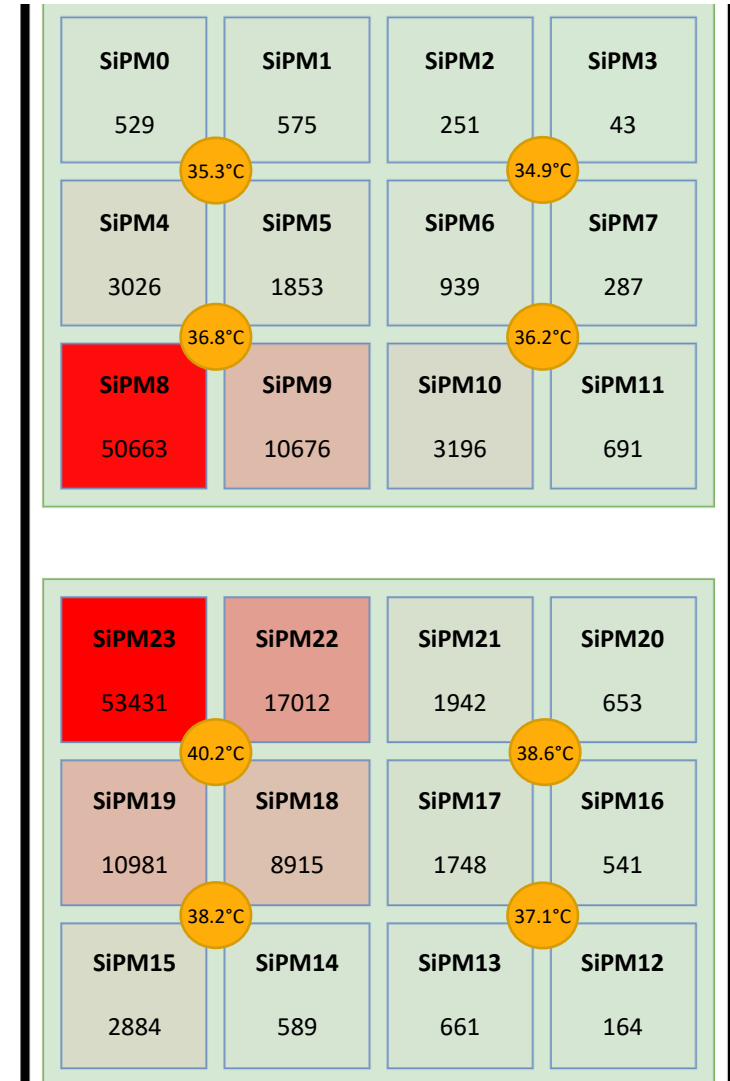
e^- Beamline

Finding Best Position for cZDD

SiPM
Rate [Hz]

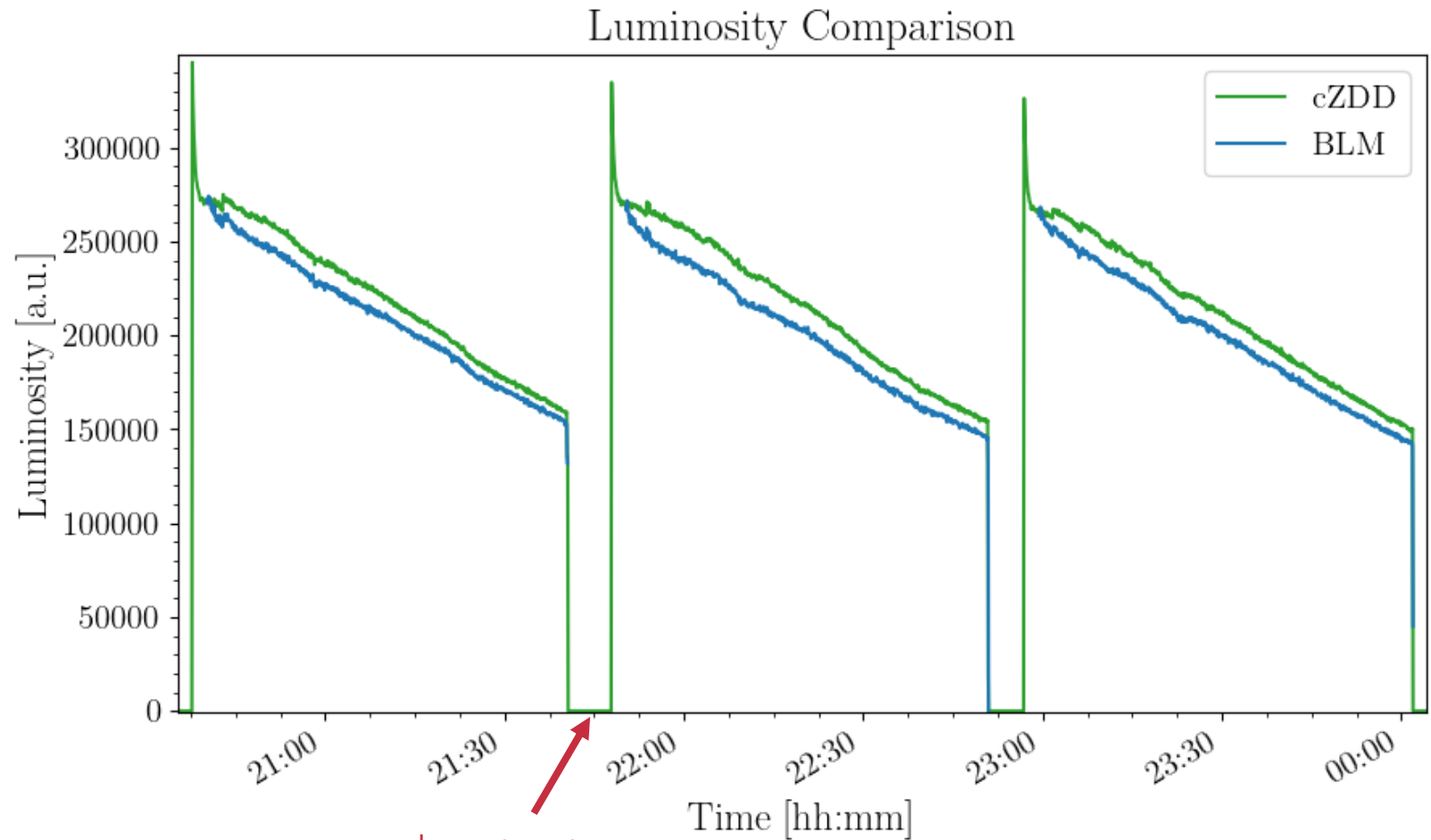


Raising
cZDD by
30mm



Commissioning

- Luminosity monitor
- Competitive with BLM performance on west side
- SiPMs turned off during beam preparation
 - Cause temperature difference of 10 degrees
 - Stable operation in thermal equilibrium after three minutes

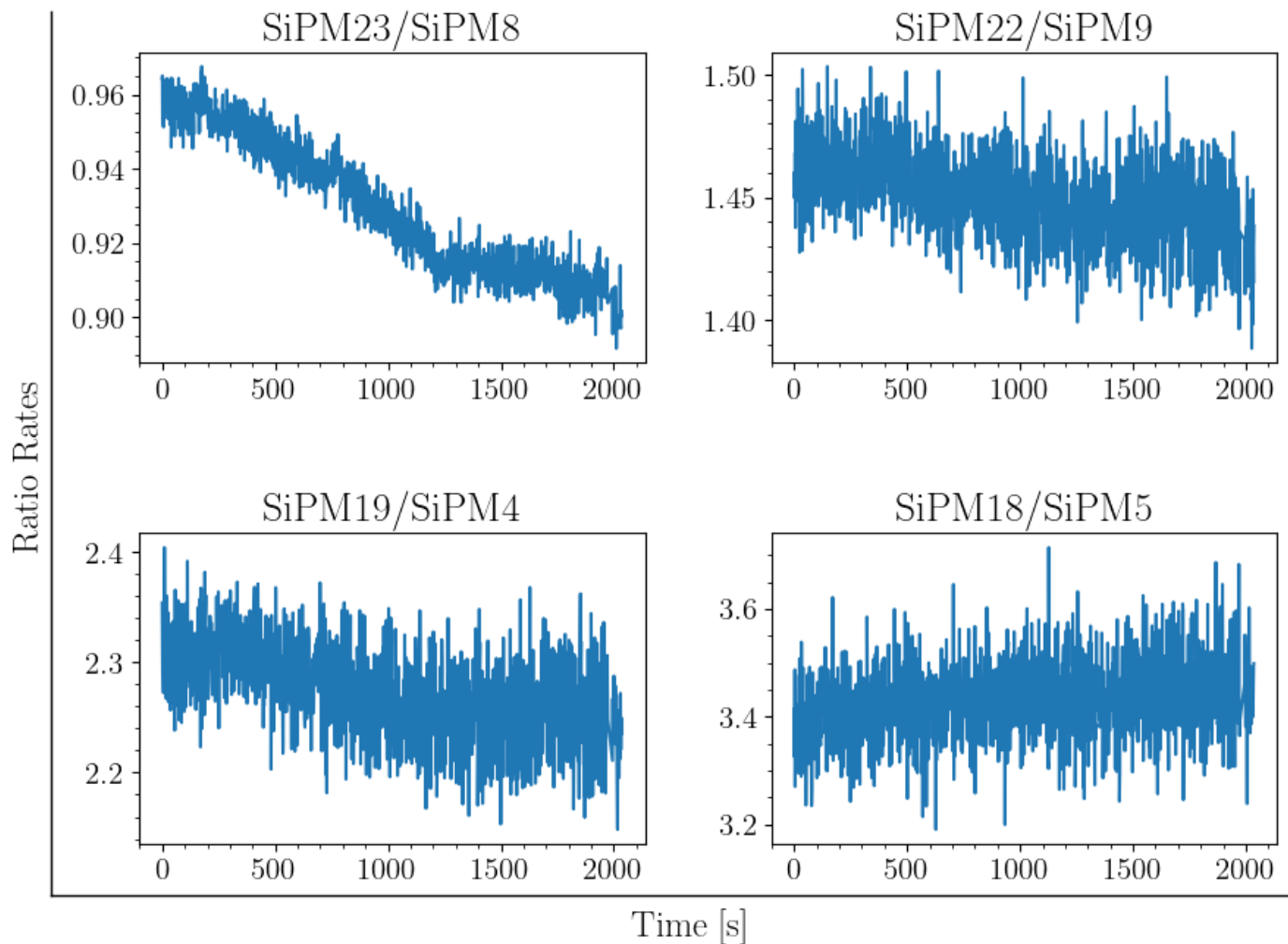


e^+ and e^- beams are replenished

Commissioning – Beam Stability

- Sensitive to minor changes in beam position
- Important information for accelerator team

SiPM 0	SiPM 1	SiPM 2	SiPM 3
SiPM 4	SiPM 5	SiPM 6	SiPM 7
SiPM 8	SiPM 9	SiPM 10	SiPM 11
SiPM 23	SiPM 22	SiPM 21	SiPM 20
SiPM 19	SiPM 18	SiPM 17	SiPM 16
SiPM 15	SiPM 14	SiPM 13	SiPM 12



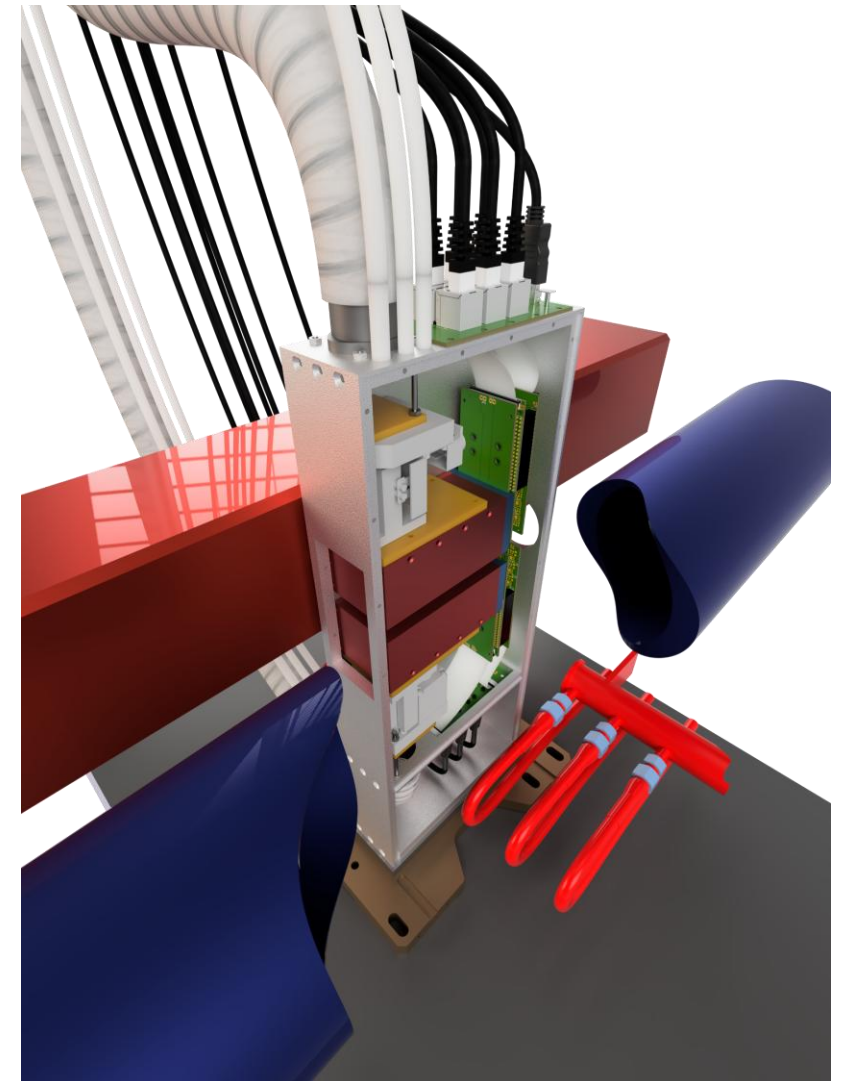
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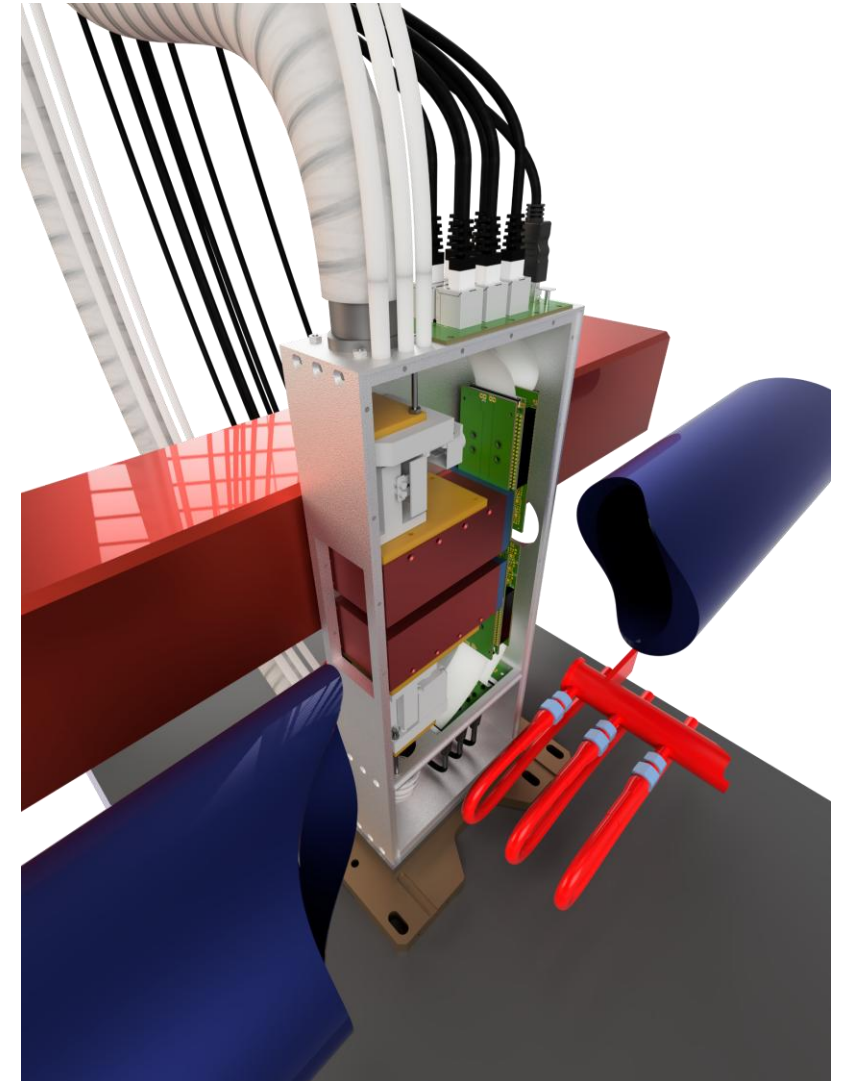


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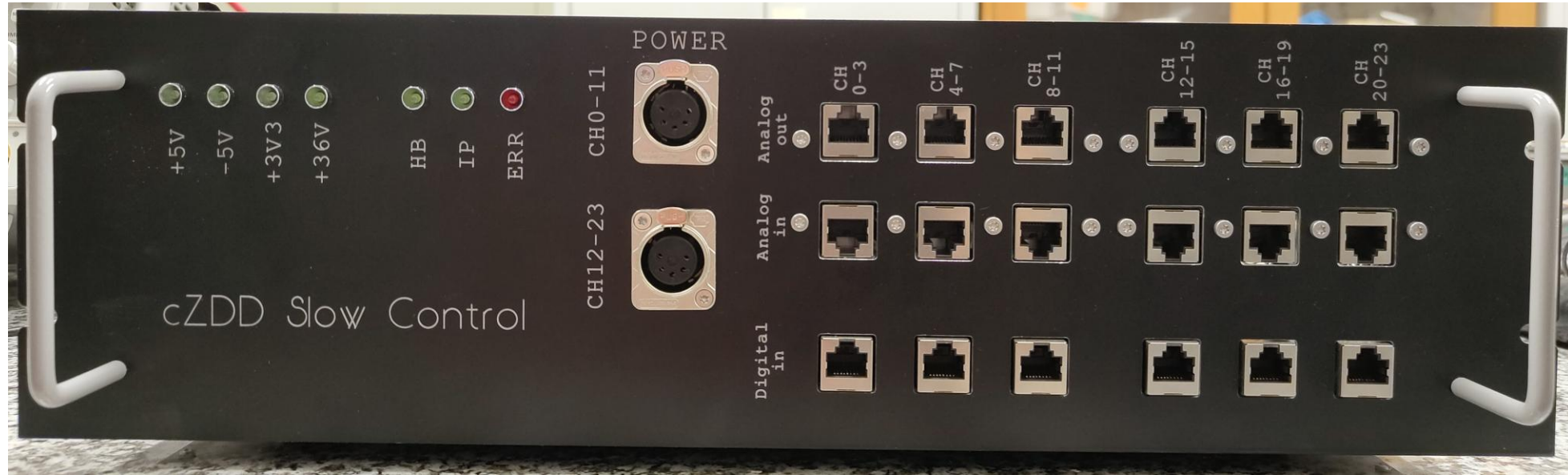
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Data Acquisition – Luminosity and Slow Control



- Slow control for configuring SiPM voltages and thresholds
- Temperature monitoring
- Preparation of the luminosity signal
 - ➔ Using sum over signals of both SiPM arrays
- Implementation of luminosity measurement planned for this summer

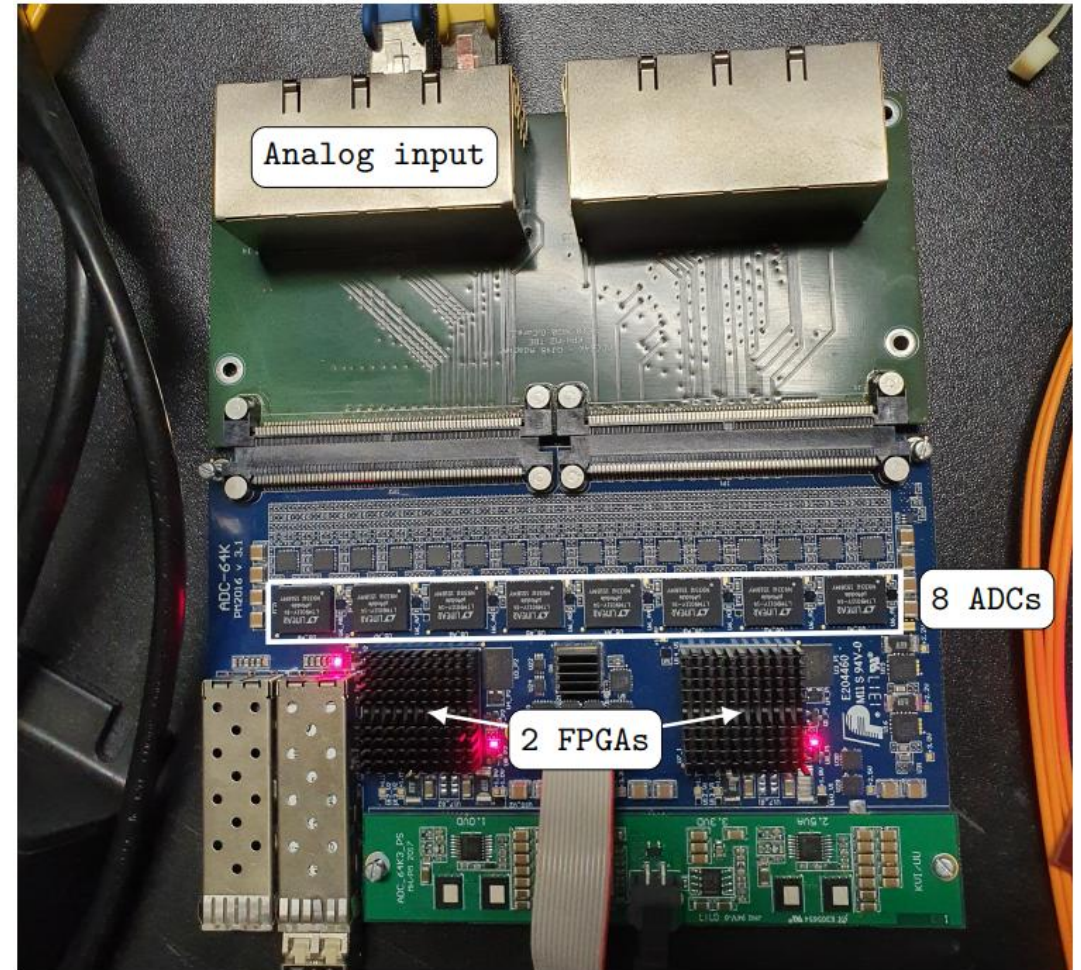
Data Acquisition – SADC

Luminosity and Slow Control Unit

- Adjust SiPM voltages and thresholds
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SADC Board – Online Feature Extraction

- Digitizes analog signal
- Sampling rate of 125 MHz
- 14 bit resolution
- Two FPGAs for online feature extraction



Radiation Damage

- SiPMs and electronics stopped working after few weeks of operation
- Measurement of background radiation dose using gamma dosimeter
- Measurement period: 1 week

- ➔ Place frontend electronics in safe location
- ➔ Transport light using light-guides

