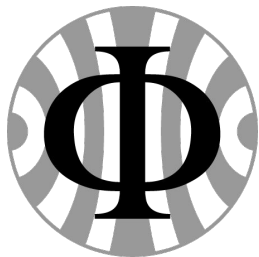


# First Experience with the Mu3e Vertex Detector Construction



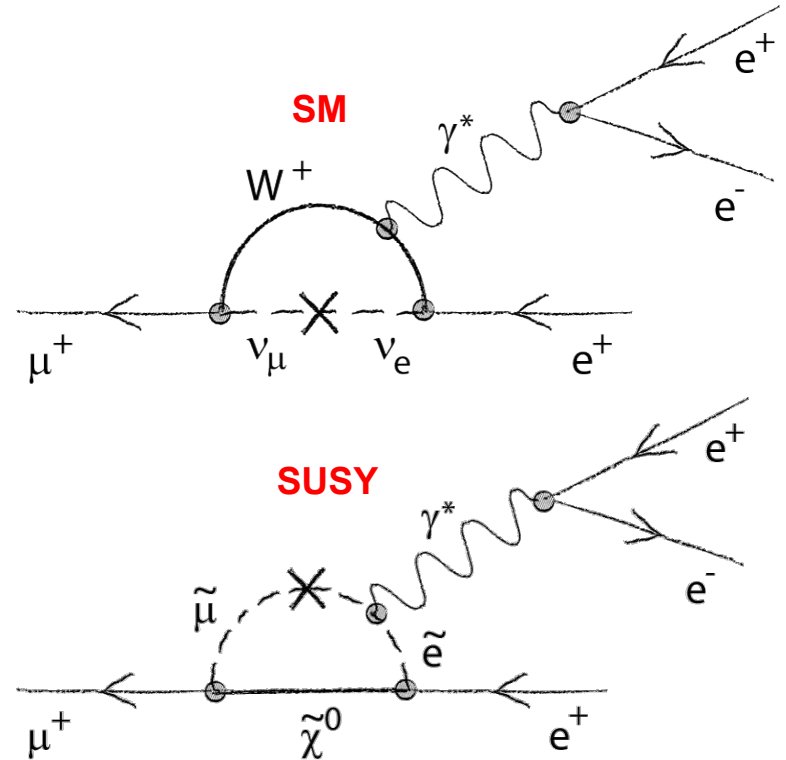
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University of Heidelberg  
Pixel 2024  
22/11/2024



# Mu3e: Physics Motivation



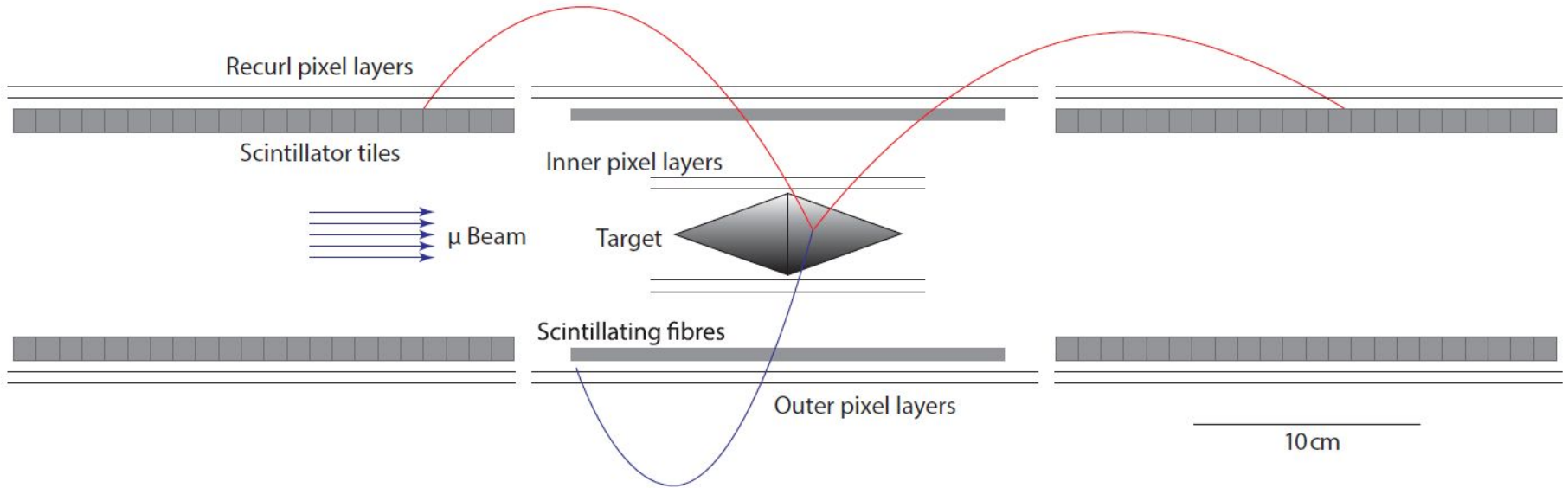
- Search for  $\mu \rightarrow eee$ 
  - Standard Model:  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 10^{-54}$
- New physics might enhance BR
- Current limit:
  - $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 10^{-12}$  (SINDRUM, 1988)
- Aimed single-event sensitivity:
  - $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 2 \cdot 10^{-15}$  (Phase 1)
  - $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 10^{-16}$  (Phase 2)
- Location: PSI muon beamline
- Phase 1: under construction
- Phase 2: PSI High Intensity Muon Beamline



# Experimental concept



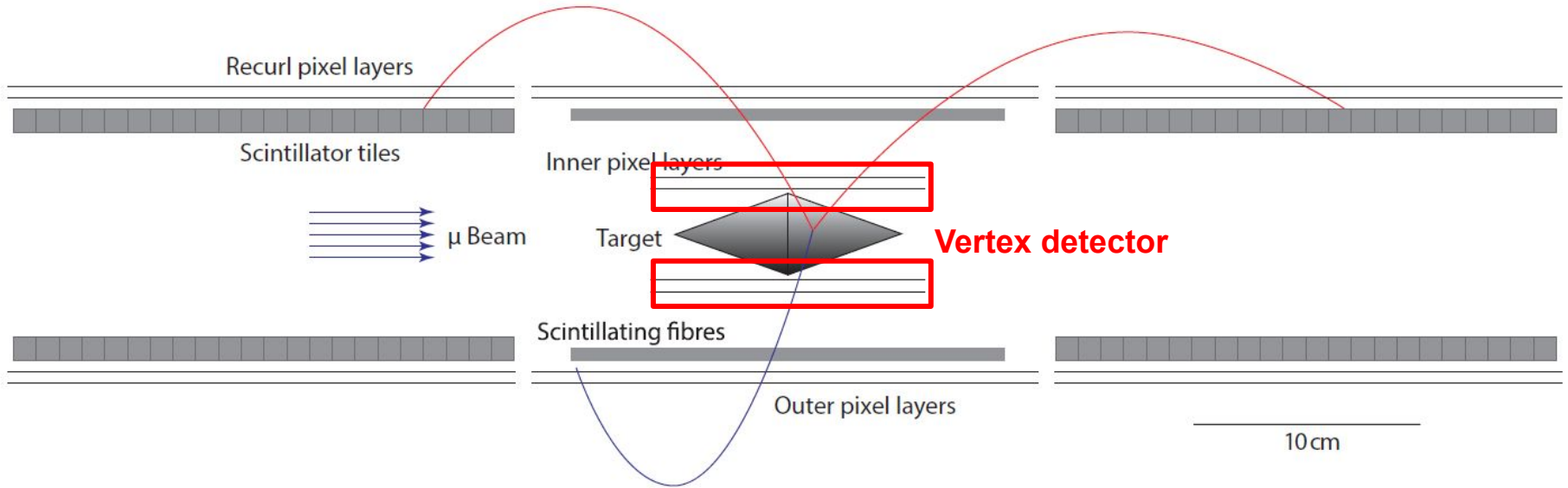
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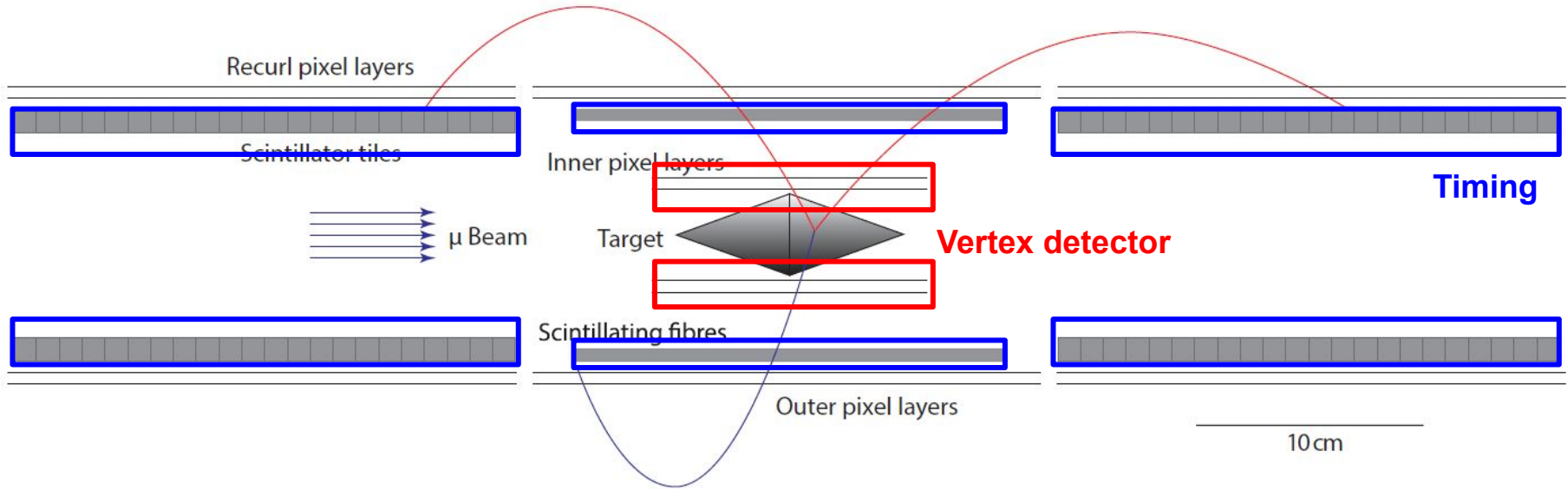
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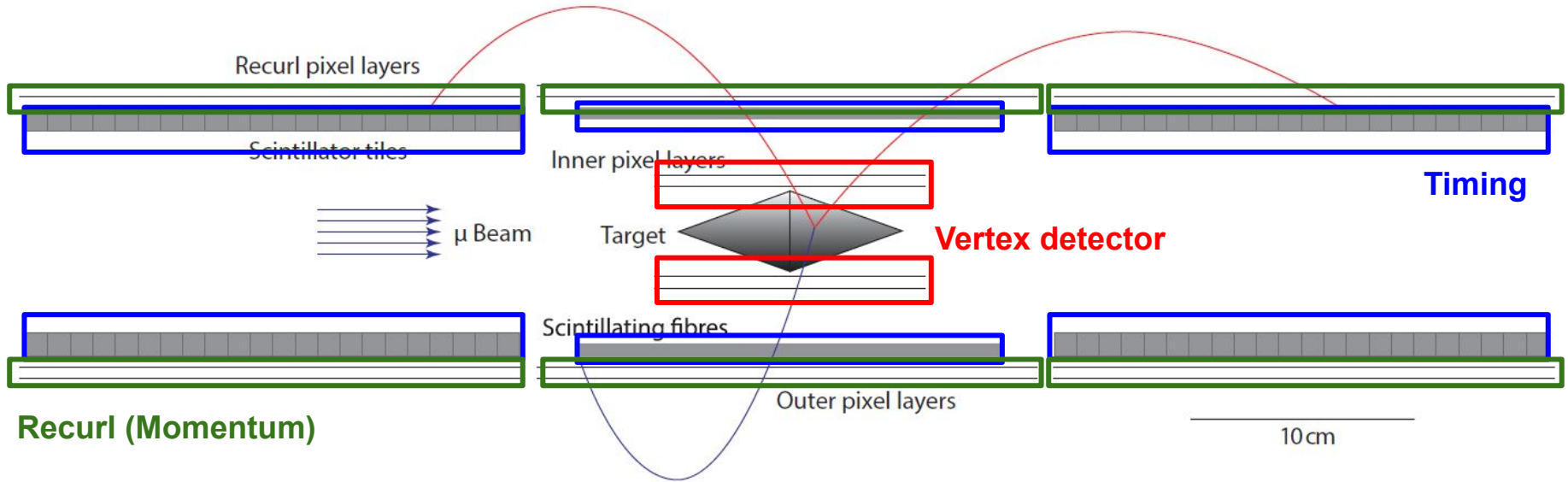
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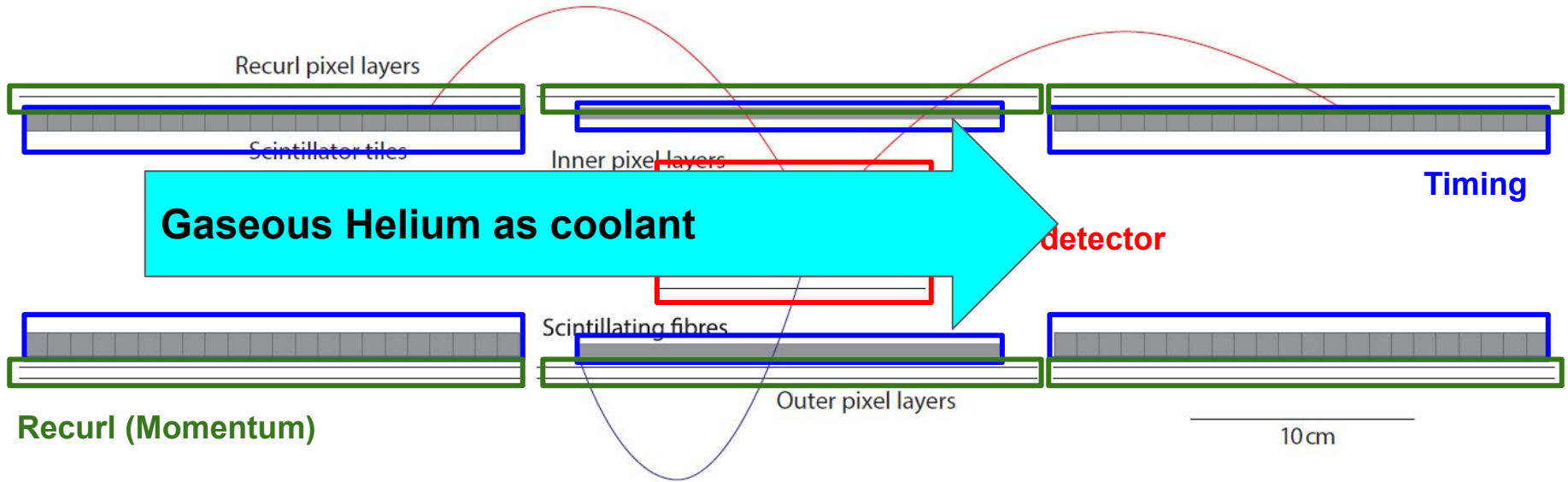
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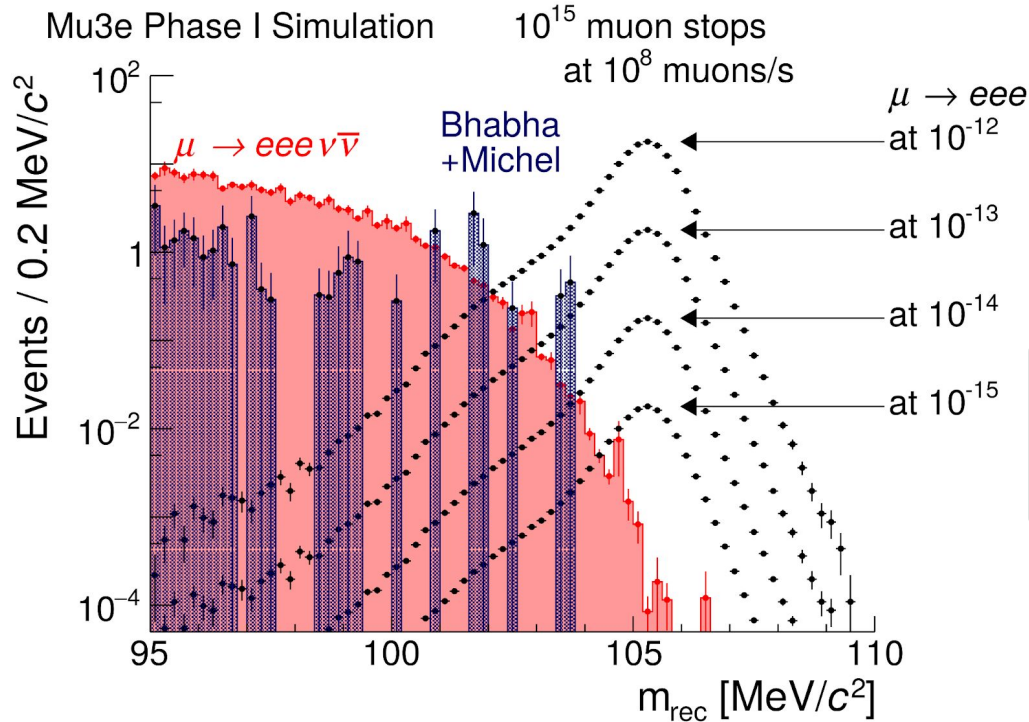


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Recurl (Momentum)

# Experimental sensitivity



Invariant mass of signal decay, radiative decay and accidental background (Bhabha+Michel)

Momentum resolution crucial for detecting the peak at muon mass...

**Material budget is key factor!**

1 MeV resolution with 0.1% \*  $X/X_0$  per layer

**Mu3e TDR at  
Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A 1014,  
165679**

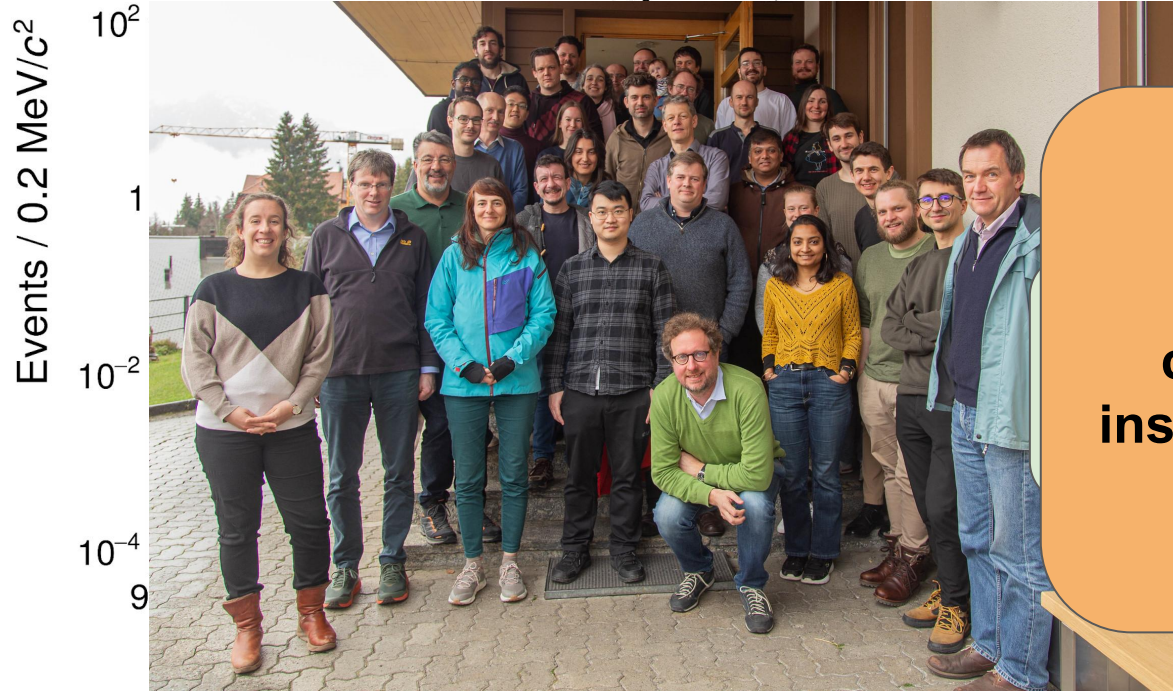


# Experimental sensitivity



Mu3e Phase I Simulation

$10^{15}$  muon stops



**All done by a  
collaboration of 12  
institutes in 3 countries**

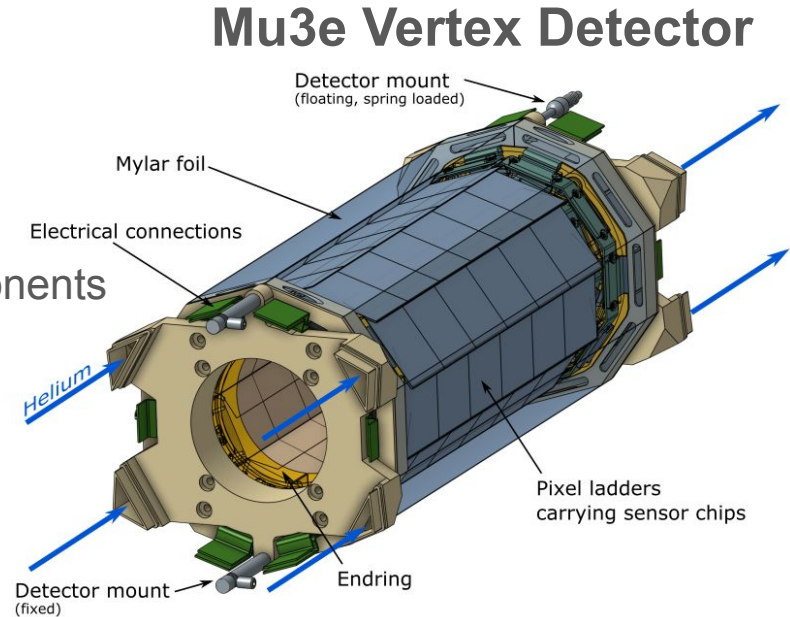
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**Mu3e Collaboration Meeting  
Wengen 2024**

# Construction challenges for the pixel detectors

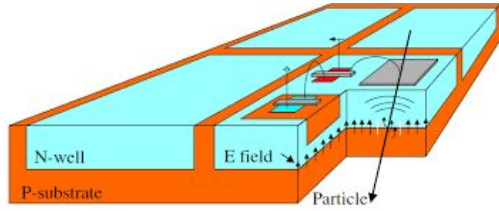


- Thin chips
  - Post-processing and qualification
  - Handling
  - QC
- Thin Aluminum-Kapton HDIs
  - Both electrical and mechanical integration
  - Reduced number of lines, no electronic components
- Compact design
  - Cabling and routing
- Helium cooling system [not in this talk]
  - $\sim 250 \text{ mW/cm}^2$
  - Helium plant
  - Flow control



Vertex collaboration:  
Uni-Heidelberg, Uni-Zurich, PSI

# Thin chips



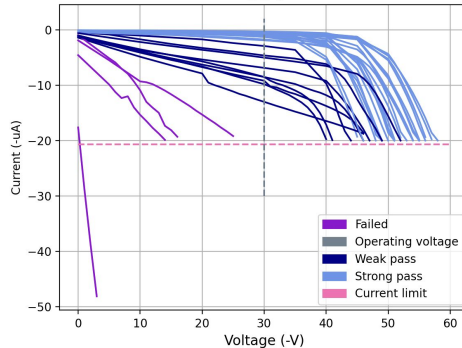
Mupix11 chips based on HV-CMOS technology  
Thinned to 50  $\mu\text{m}$  (Vertex)  
80  $\Omega\text{cm}$  resistivity (380  $\Omega\text{cm}$  for first prototype modules)

**W/O plasma etching**

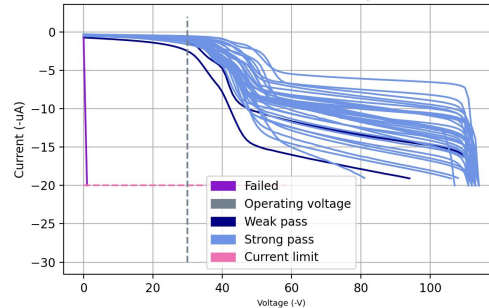
**W/ plasma etching**



IV curves, LV on, configured  
420-1



420-3: IV curves, LV on, configured

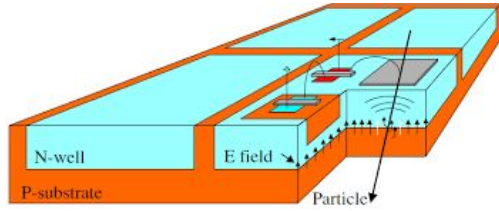


Post processing at Optim  
(Marseille, France)

Small tolerance in dicing (11  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Significant improvements with  
plasma etching

# Thin chips



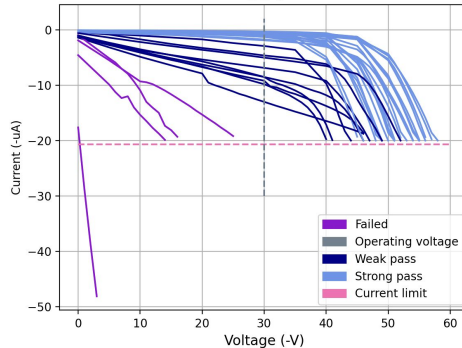
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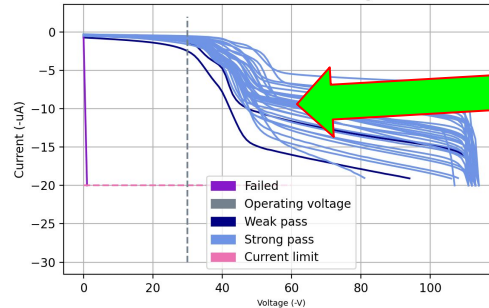
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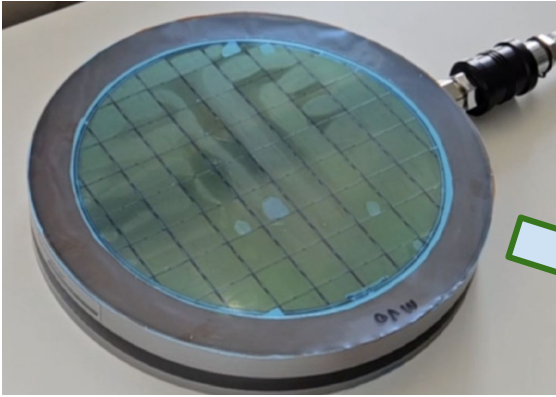
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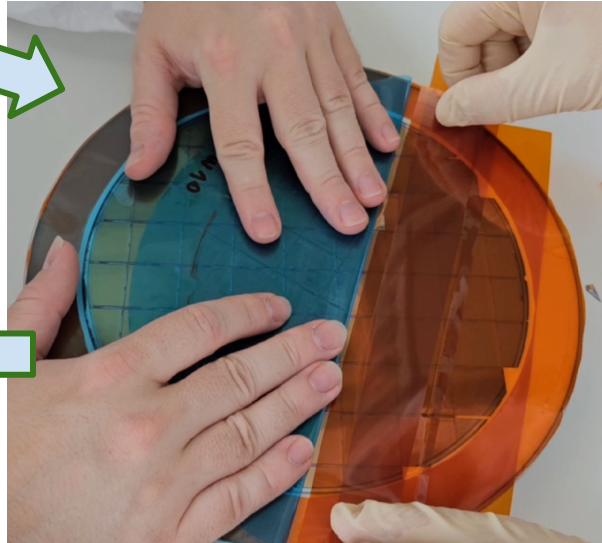
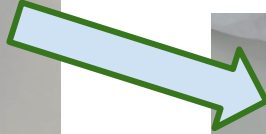
99.5 % efficiency  
20 ns time resolution

After full depletion

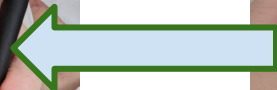
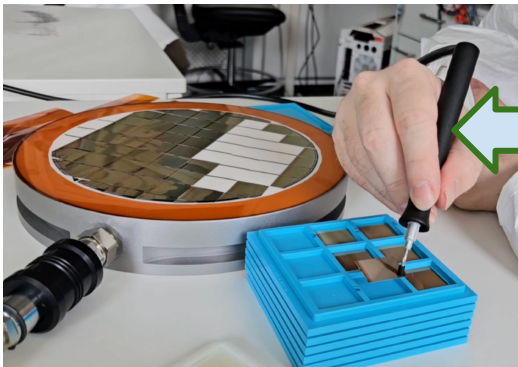
# Thin chips: handling



Wafers arrive diced and thinned on blue tape  
Placed on ceramic vacuum chuck  
→ uniform vacuum pressure

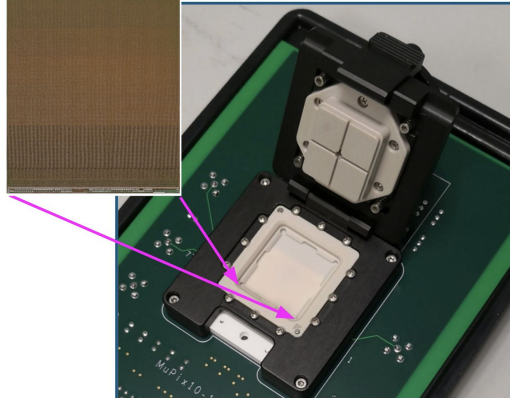


Careful peeling  
while vacuum on



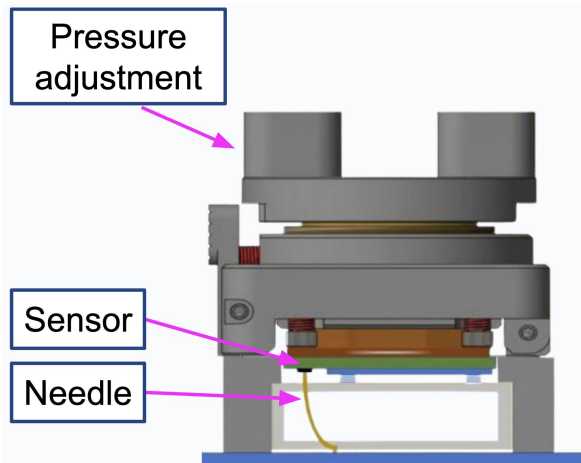
Extra care for  
vacuum loss (here:  
kapton foils, next:  
tailor-made  
aluminum chuck)

# Thin chips: QC



Probe card with manual actuator developed for the task

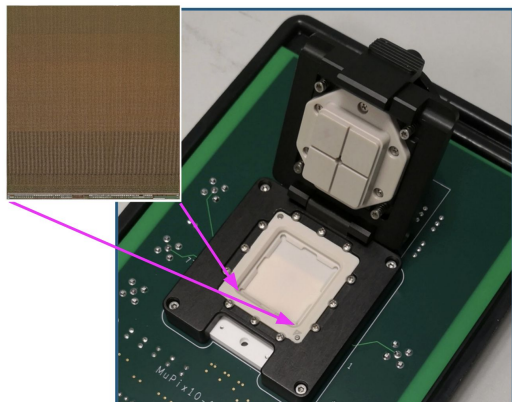
- ✓ Table-top system
- ✓ No dependency on probe stations
- ✓ Easy to transfer between institutes
- ✗ Manual procedure (training required)
- ✗ Slow throughput (2-3 minutes to replace chips)



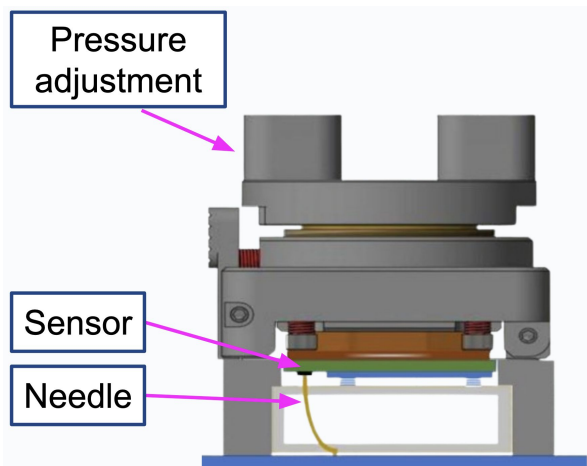
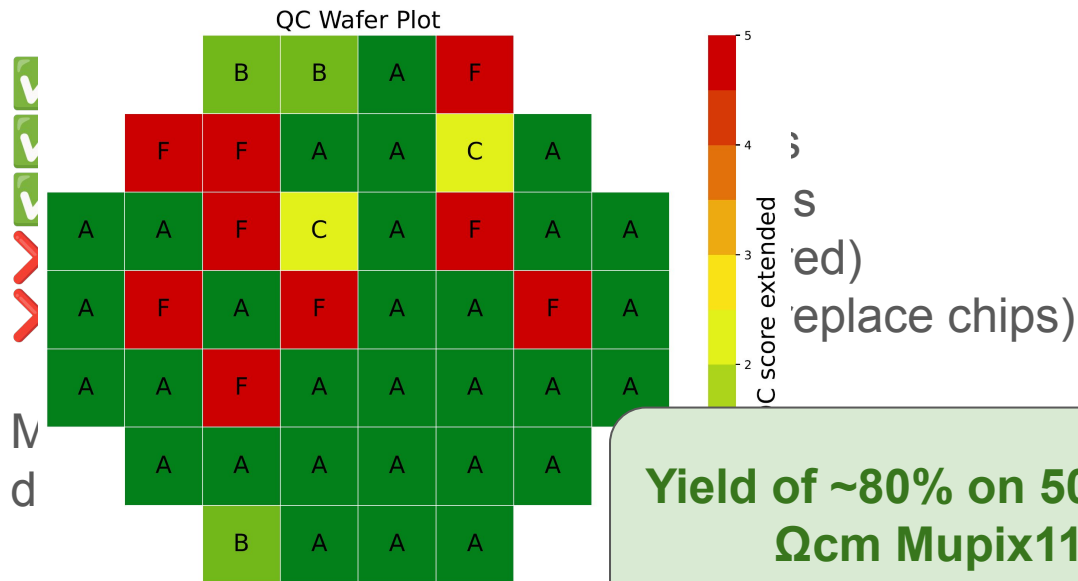
Note: Mu3e Vertex detector consists of only 108 chips and is developed between Heidelberg and PSI

Several operational aspect investigated (IV curve, powering, link stability, noise profile,...)

# Thin chips: QC



Probe card with manual actuator developed for the task



**Yield of ~80% on 50  $\mu$ m 80  $\Omega$ cm Mupix11\***

\*after some optimization iteration

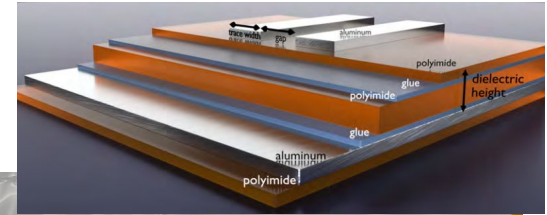
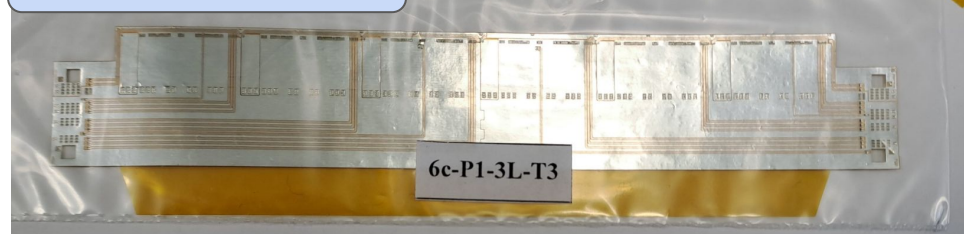
# Thin HDIs



Katpon-Aluminum flexes produced by LTU (Kharkiv)

2 layers + spacer: stack and traces geometry optimized for LVDS transmission

6-chip "ladder"



HDIs for multiple purposes: power, HV, signal in, data out, mechanical support

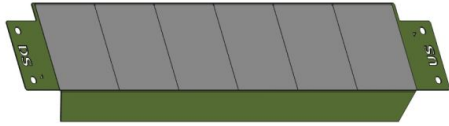
**HDI + 6 chips + connecting flex = "Ladder" (see poster by T. Senger, with QC)**

Long design and qualification stage needed.



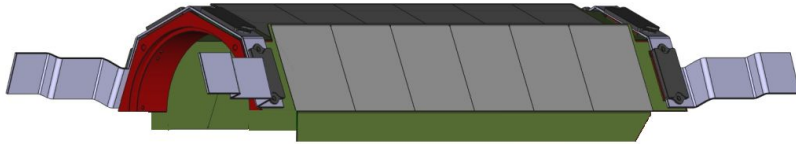
# Modules

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**Ladder**

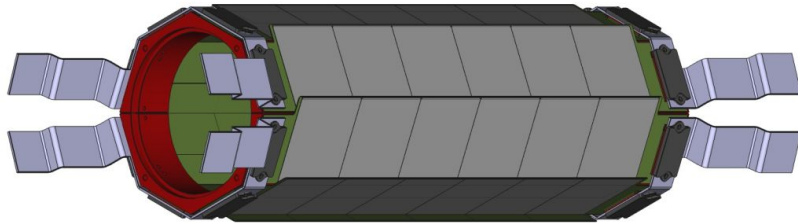
Design aims to be as modular as possible



**Module**

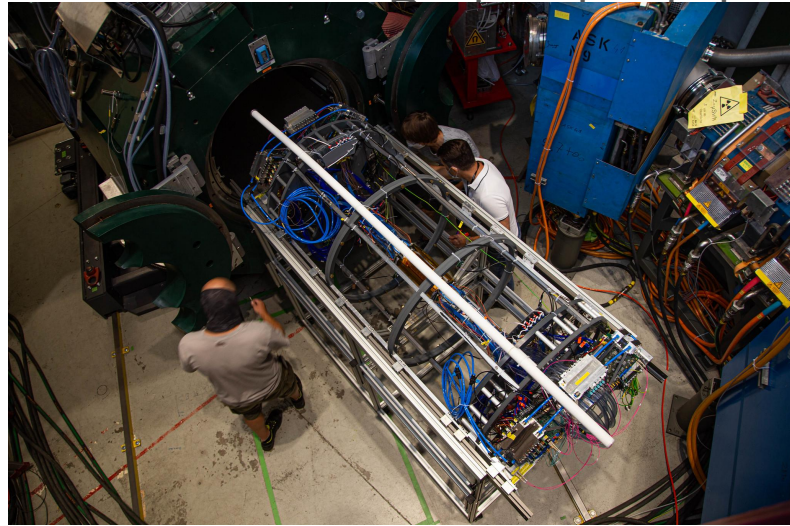
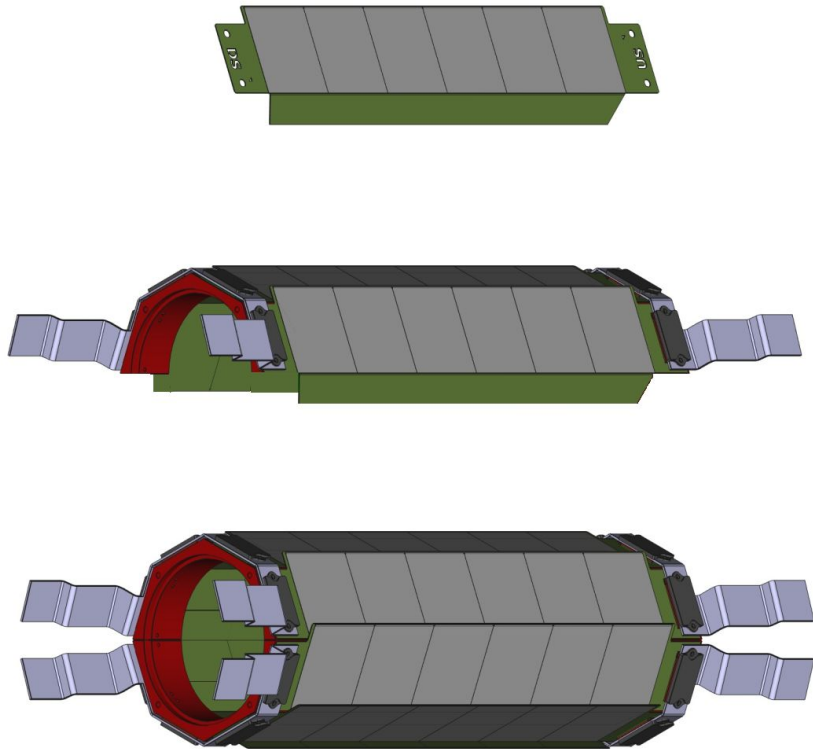
The module is the basic mechanical and electrical unit.

A module can be replaced without replacing anything else



**Layer**

# Modules



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**Layer**

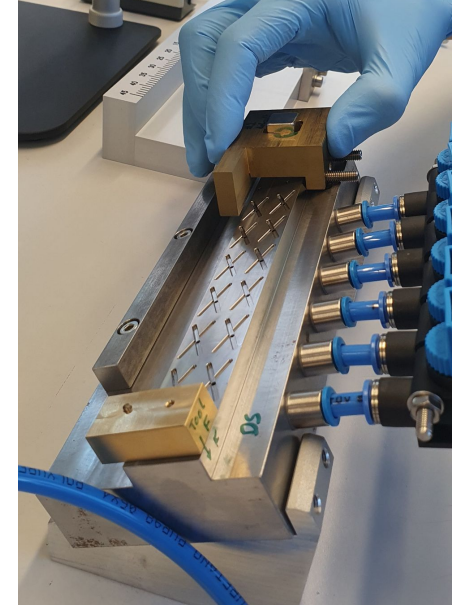
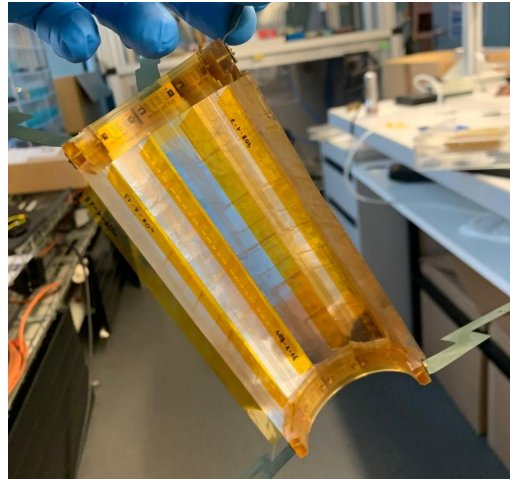
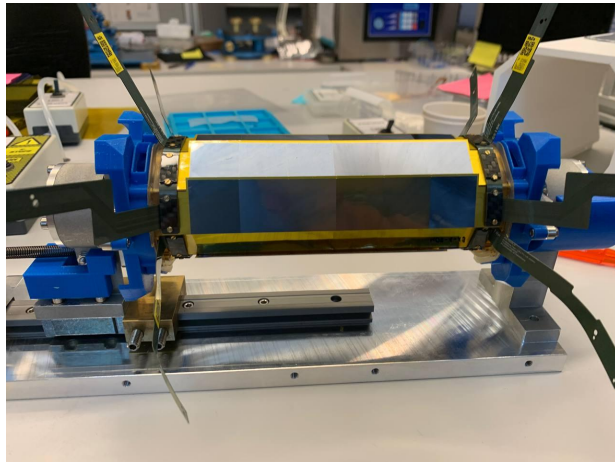
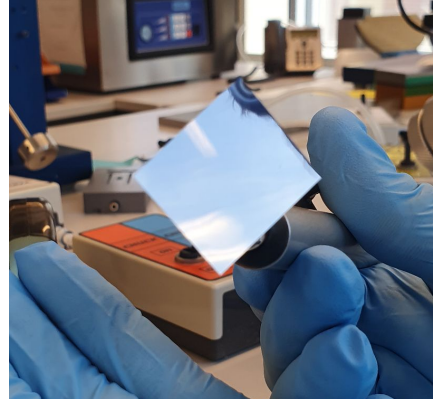
Note: Mu3e sits at ground level, relatively easy to access

# Thin HDIs: mounting



Manual procedures:

- Aligning chips
- Glueing
- HDI overlay
- TA-Bonding
- Module assembly

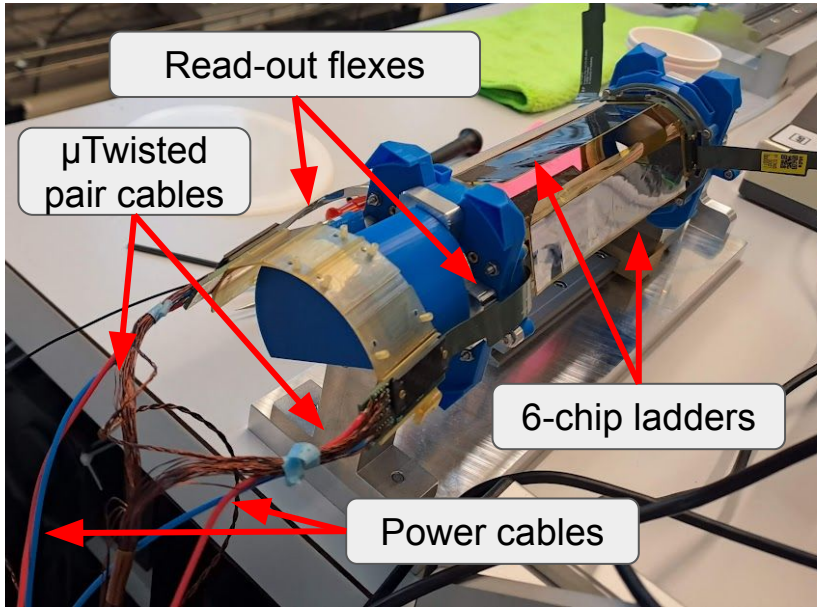


# Thin HDI qualification

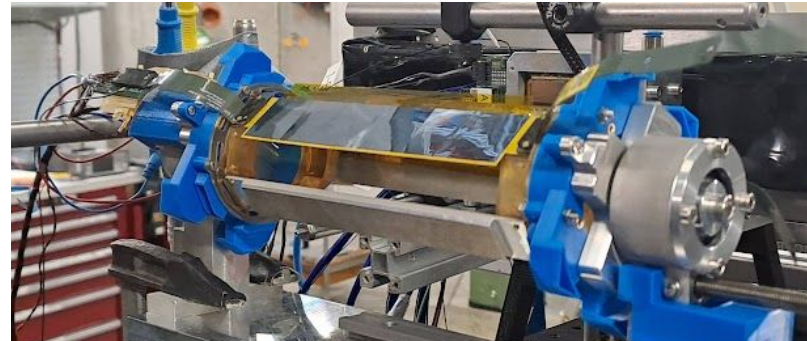
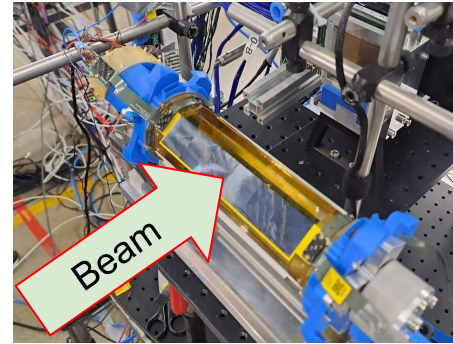
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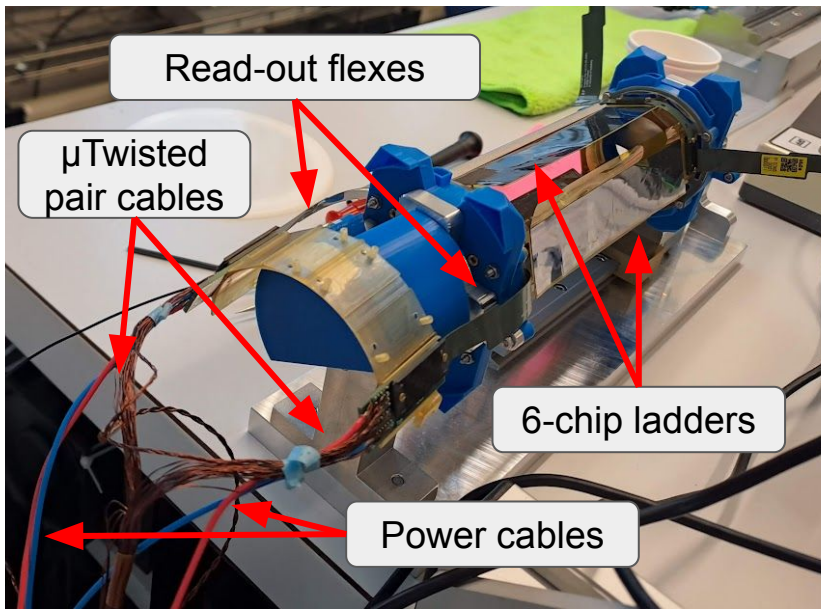
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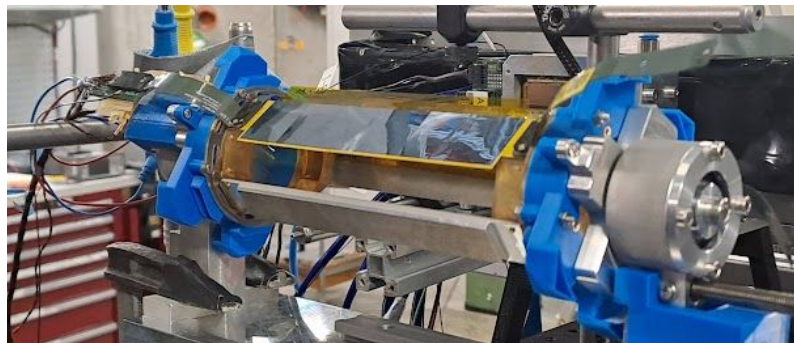
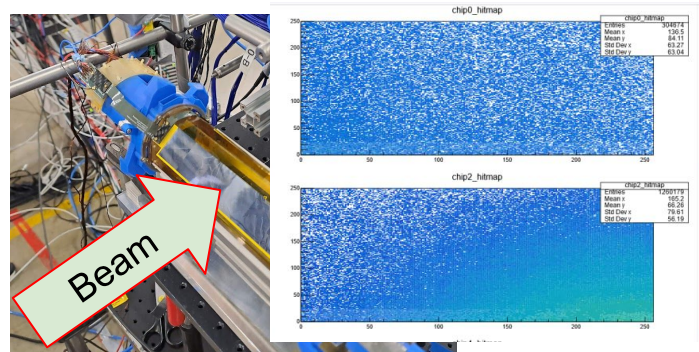
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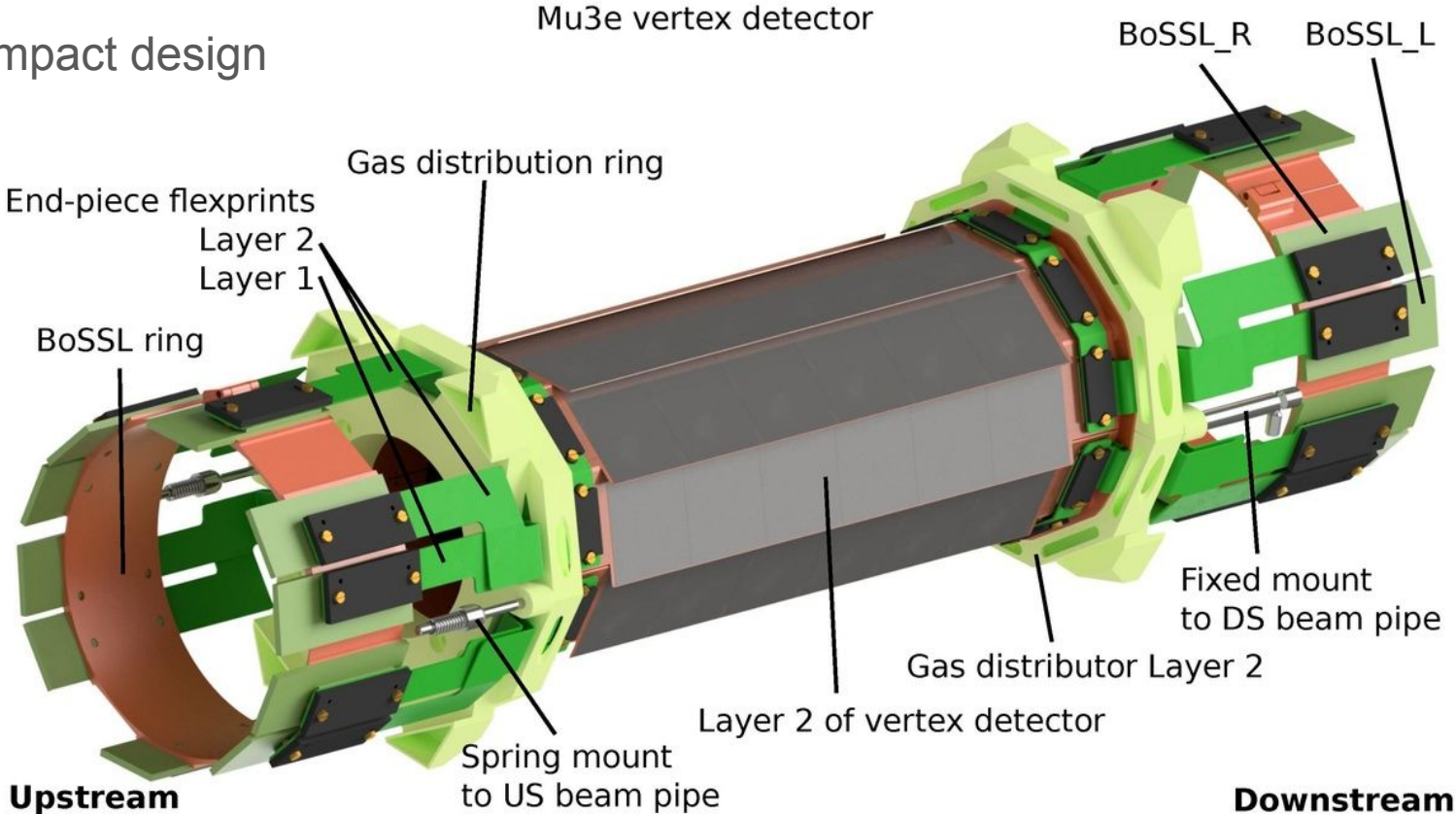
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# Design challenges



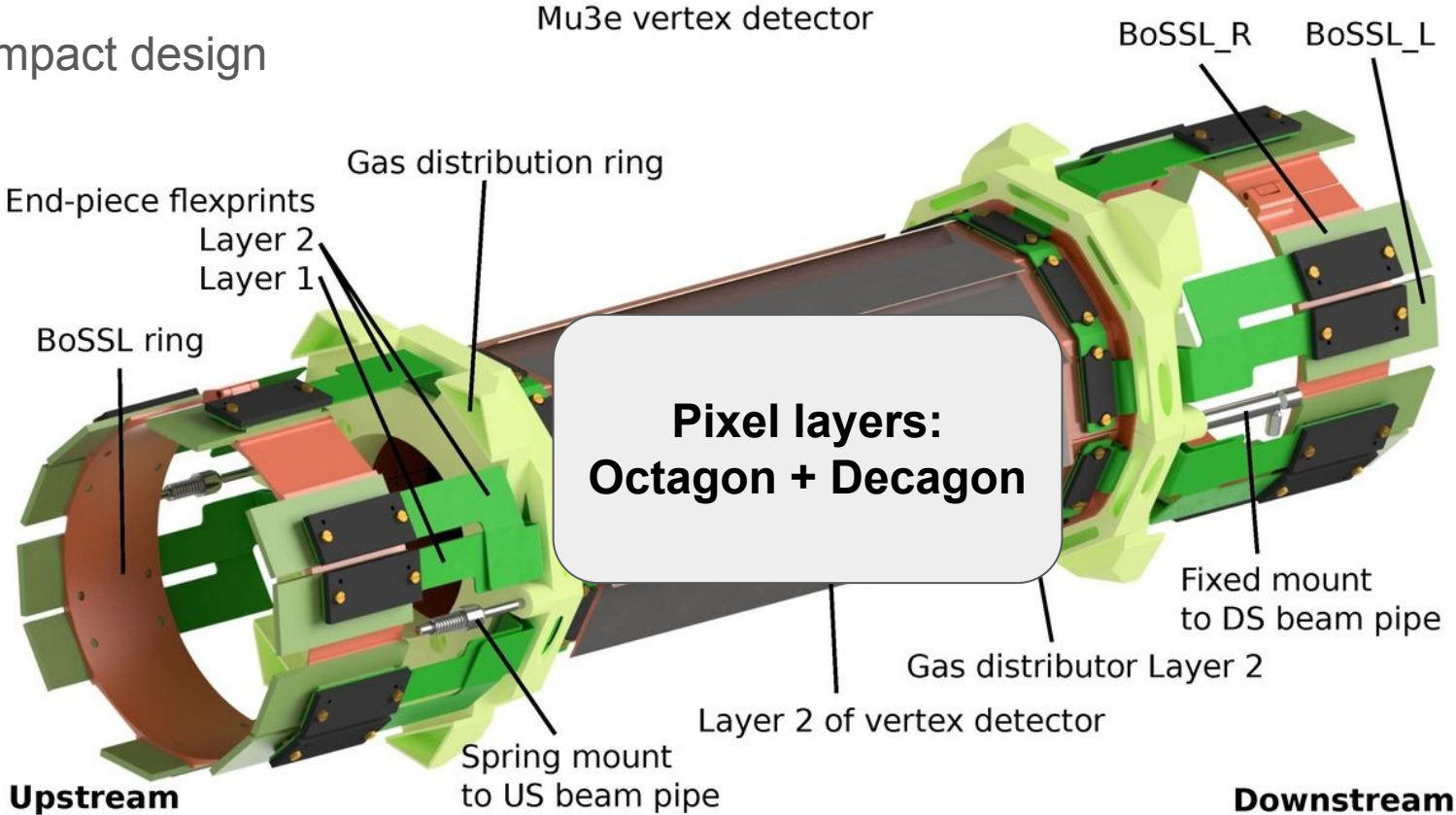
Very compact design



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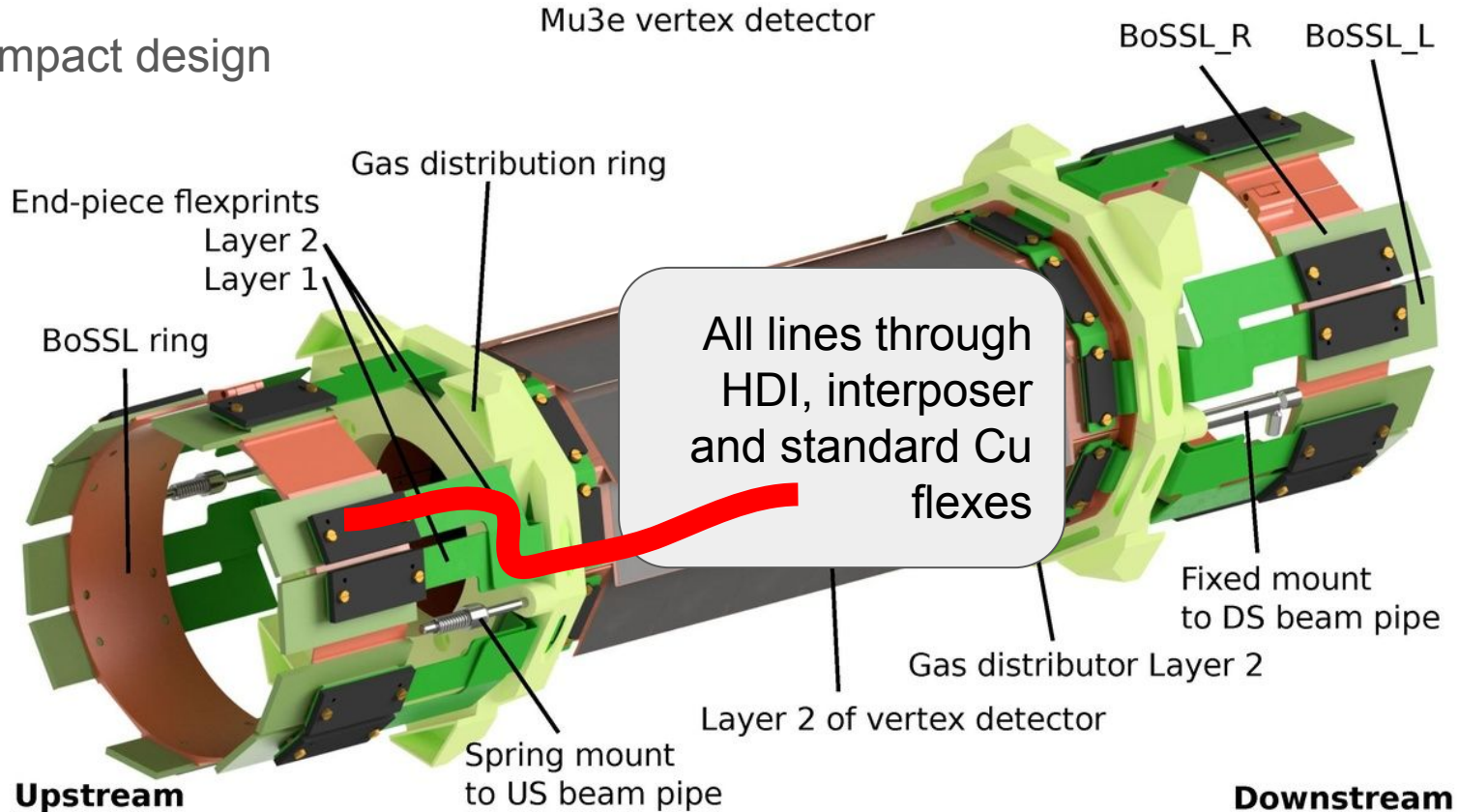
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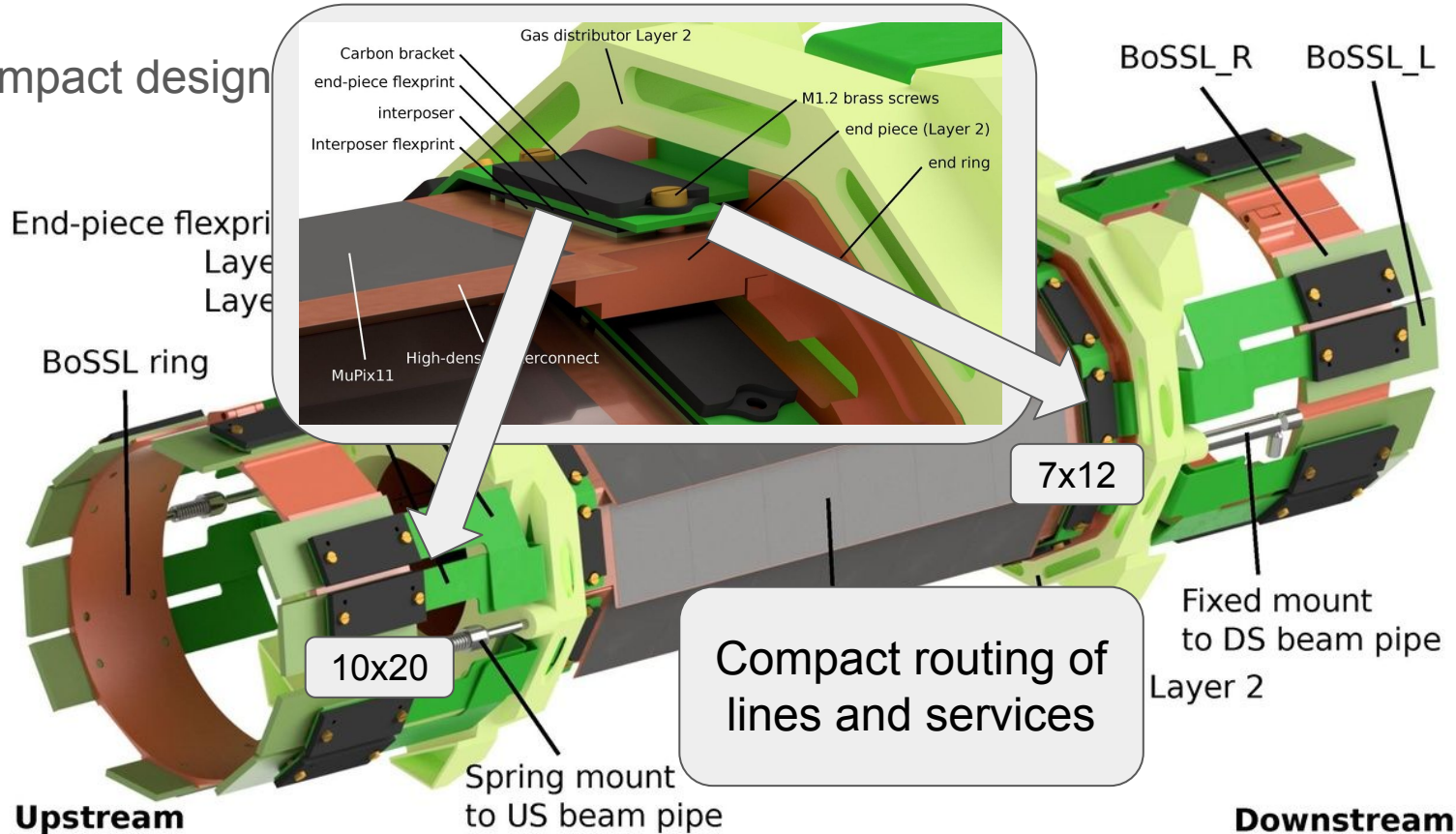




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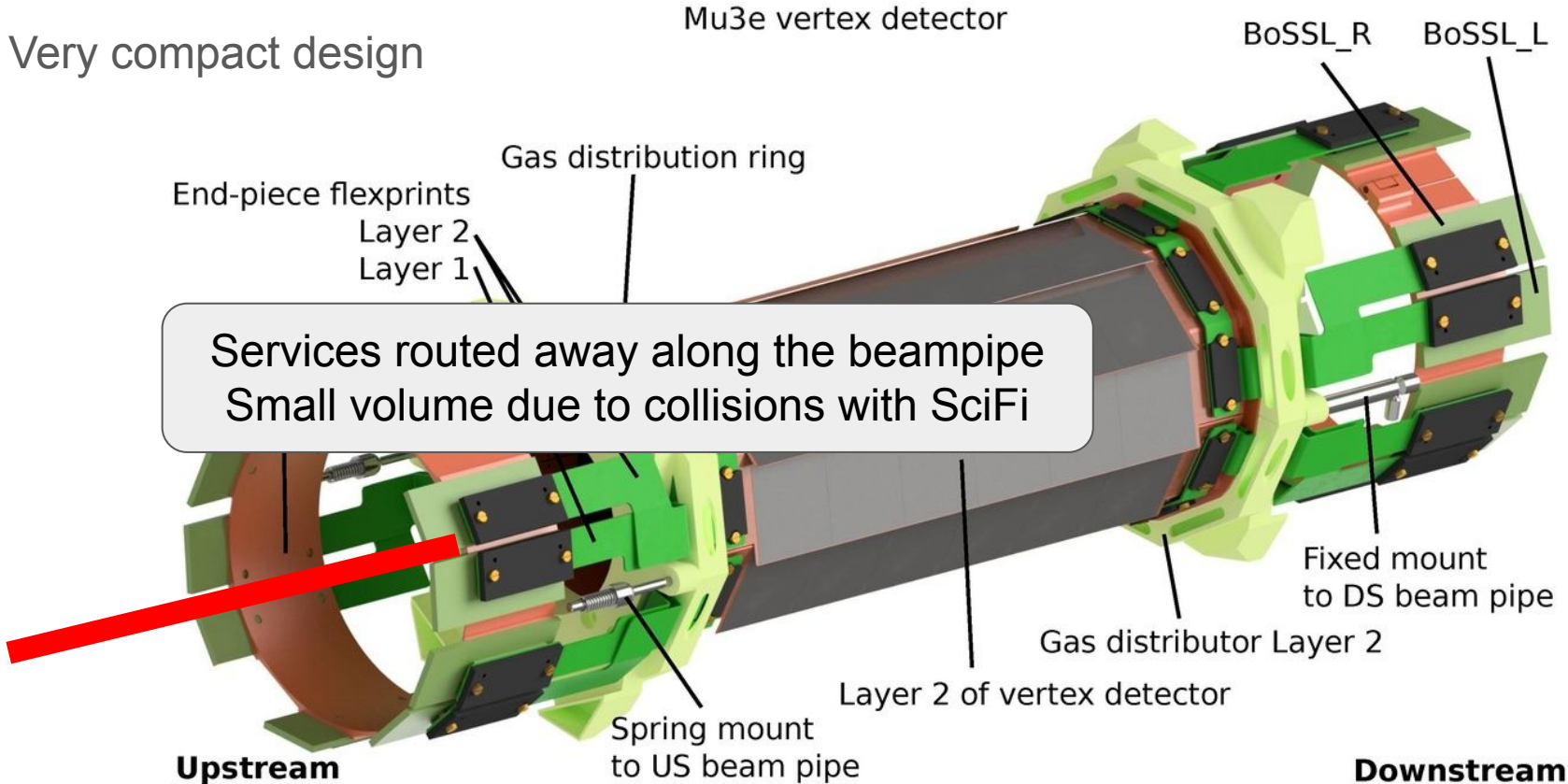
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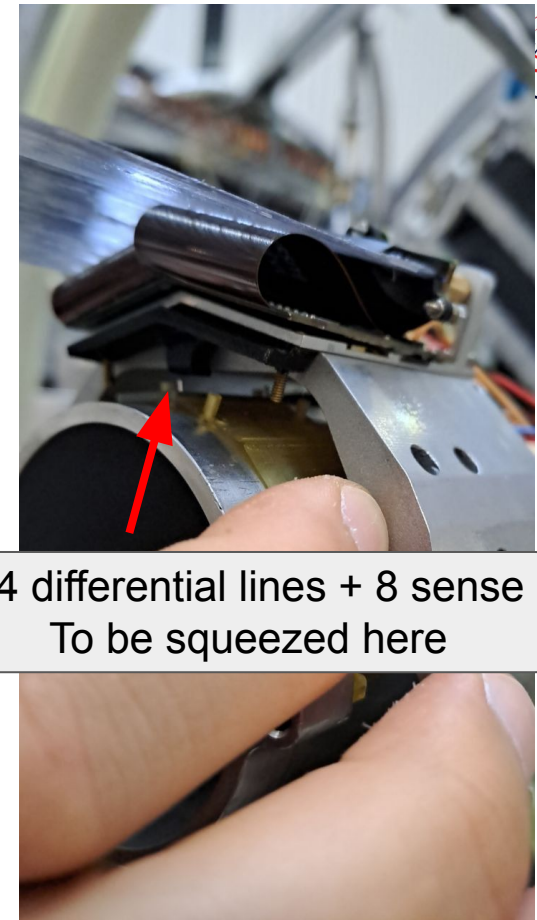
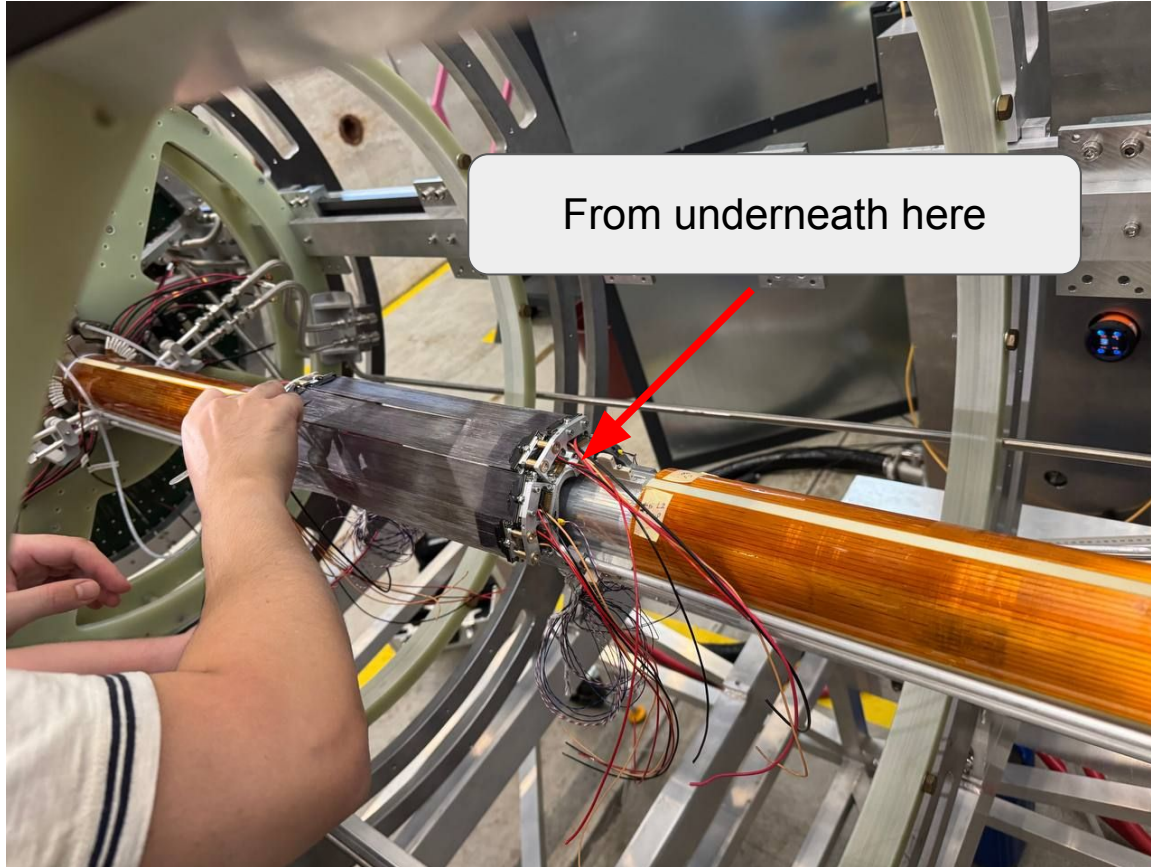


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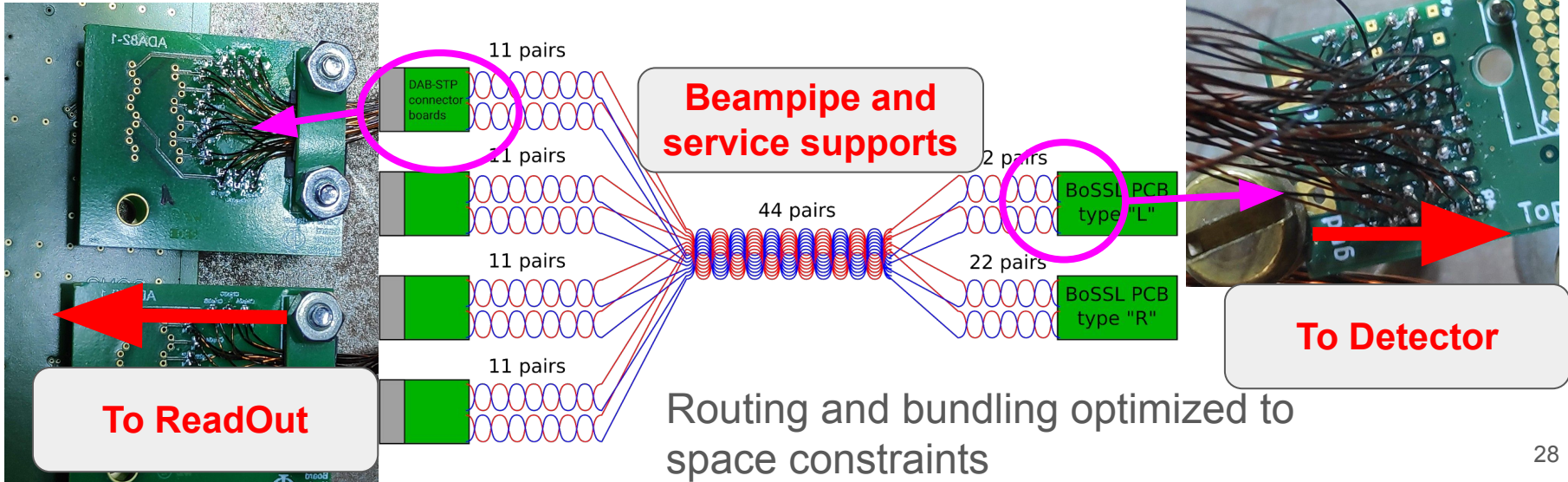


# Design challenges



Solution:

- Micro-twisted pair cable bundles
  - 127  $\mu\text{m}$  copper, 25  $\mu\text{m}$  polyimide, 30  $\mu\text{m}$  extra distance for impedance matching
- Wires stripped and soldered directly on connector boards



# Vertex Status

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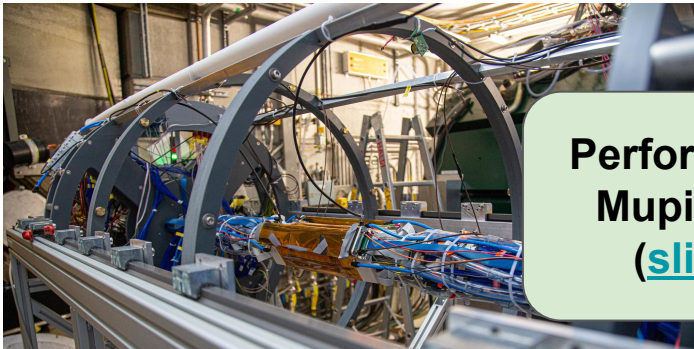
- Production almost finished
  - All chips qualified
  - All ladders produced → to be qualified
  - Module+layer assembly to follow
- Services currently mounted on cage
  - Cables + infrastructure + DAQ + cooling pipes + ...
- Vertex to be mounted by beginning of next year

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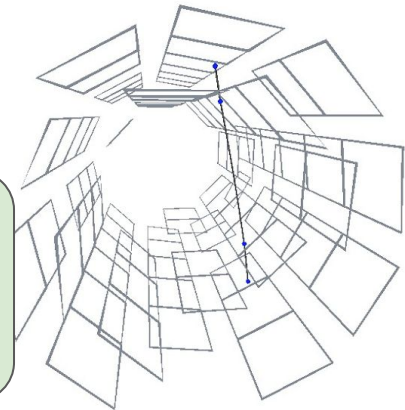
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- Qualification with cosmic run to follow



Performed previously with a Mupix10 Vertex prototype ([slides](#) from Vertex22)





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# Backup

# MuPix sensors: requirements

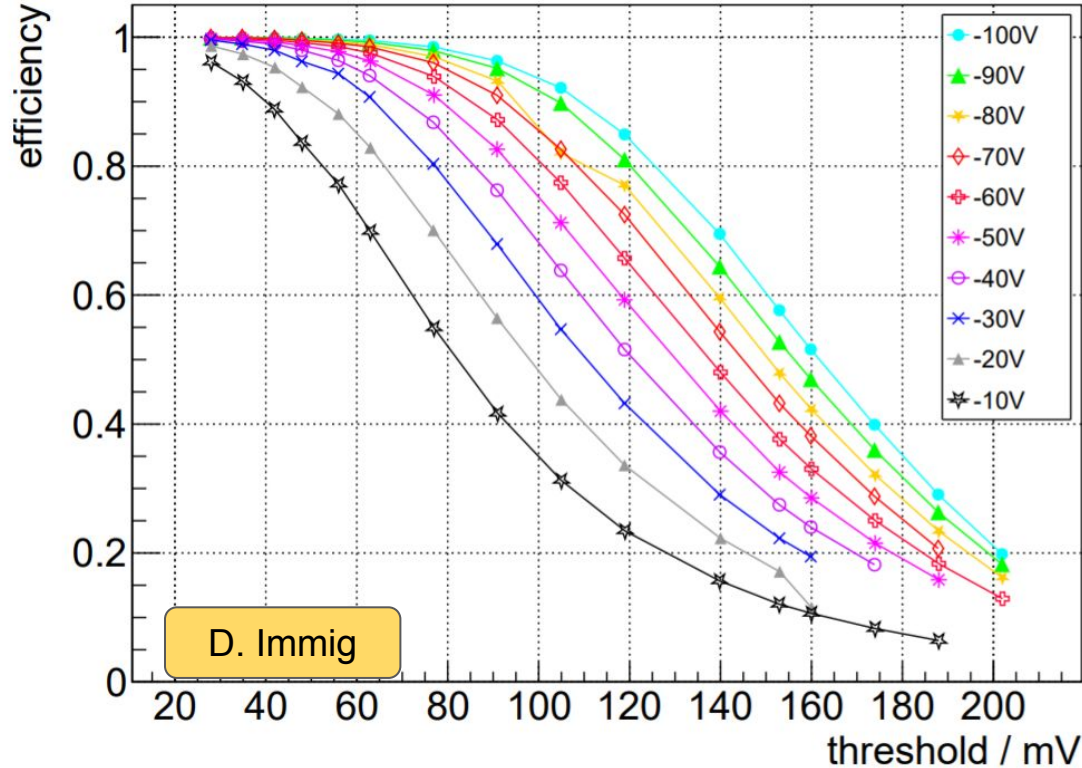
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pixel size [ $\mu\text{m}^2$ ]	$80 \times 80$
sensor size [ $\text{mm}^2$ ]	$20 \times 23$
active area [ $\text{mm}^2$ ]	$20 \times 20$
active area [ $\text{mm}^2$ ]	400
sensor thinned to thickness [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	50
LVDS links	3 + 1
maximum bandwidth <sup>§</sup> [Gbit/s]	$3 \times 1.6$
timestamp clock [MHz]	$\geq 50$
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RMS of spatial resolution [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	$\leq 30$
power consumption [ $\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$ ]	$\leq 350$
time resolution per pixel [ns]	$\leq 20$
efficiency at 20 Hz/pix noise [%]	$\geq 99$
noise rate at 99 % efficiency [Hz/pix]	$\leq 20$



# MuPix10: results

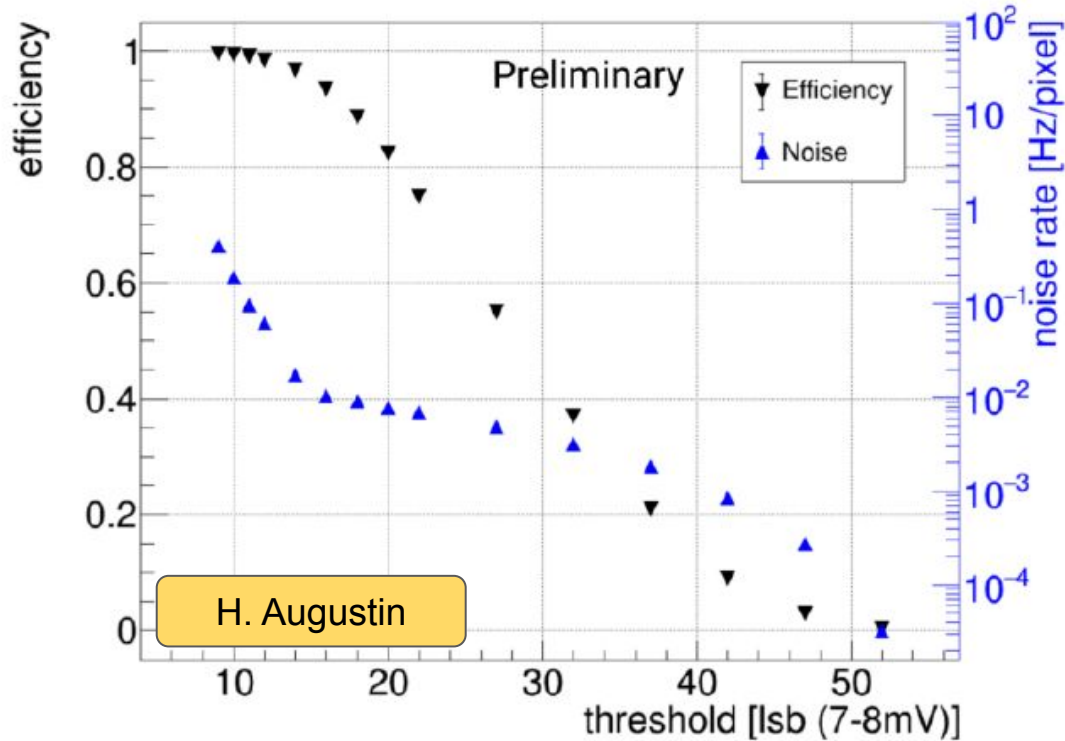


100  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness

110 V breakdown

Efficiency plateau well defined above 20 V

# MuPix10: results



50  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness

20 V (see later why)

Efficiency and noise requirements met

# Mupix10 detailed studies

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Testbeam at DESY

Alpide telescope

6 layers

5  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution

EuDAQ + Corryvreckan



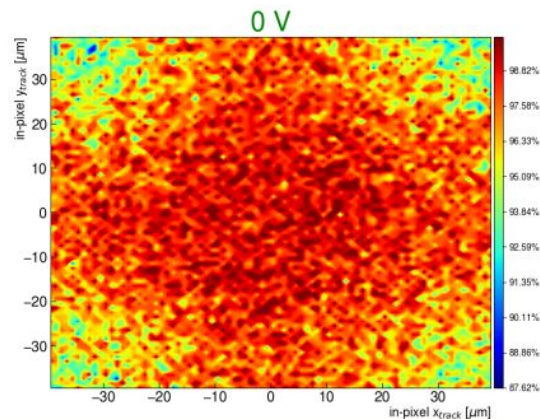
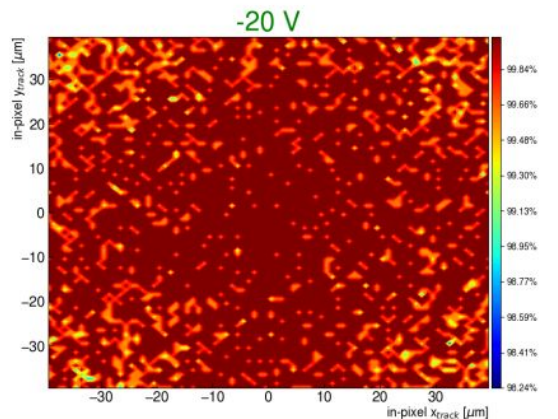
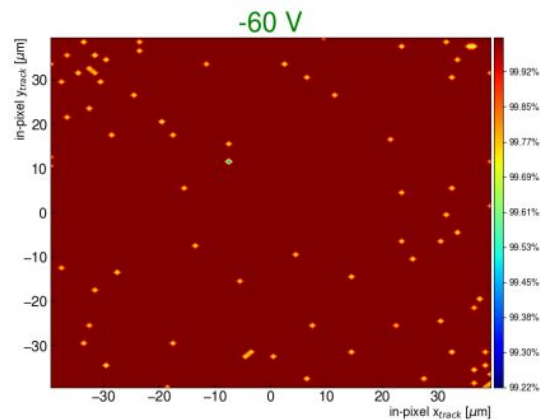
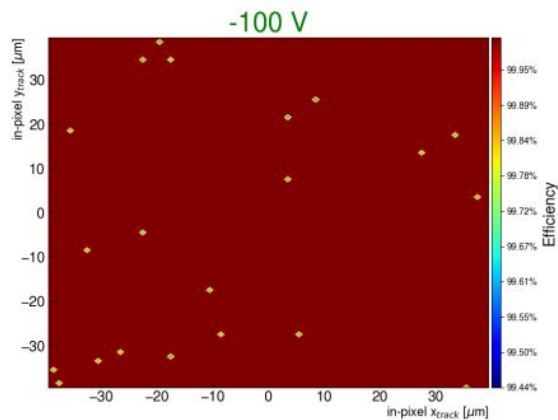
# Mupix10 detailed studies



## In-pixel efficiency

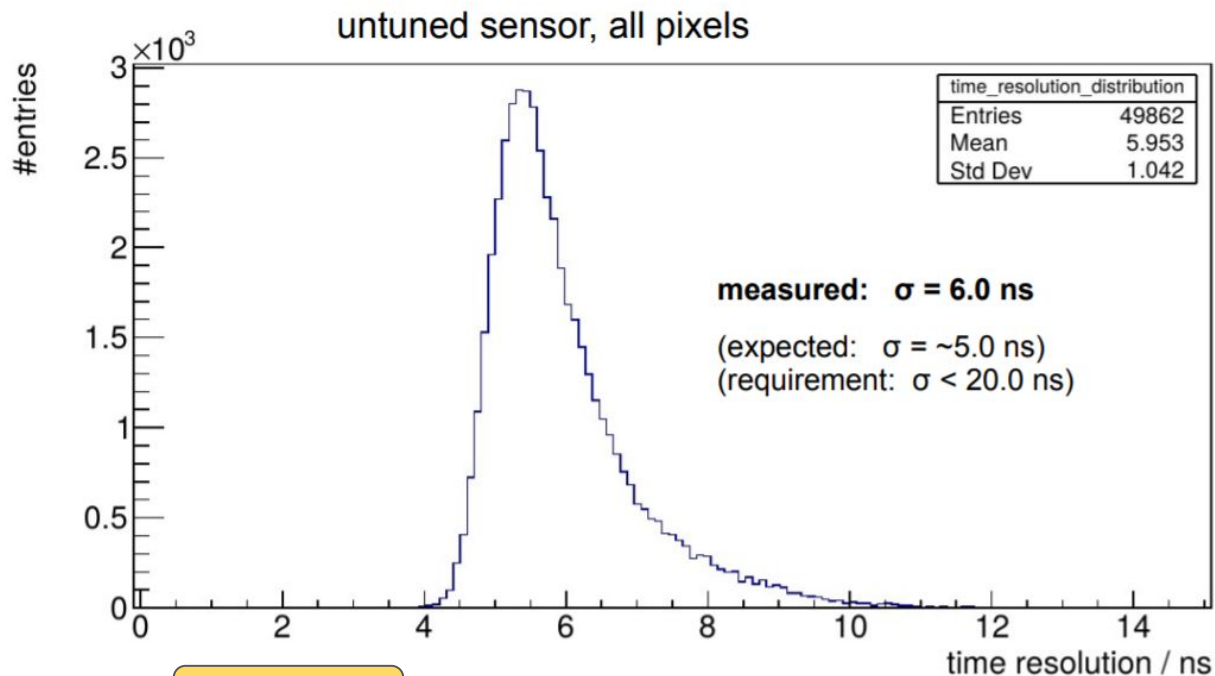
100  $\mu\text{m}$  thick

43 mV threshold



A.M. Gonzales

# MuPix10: results



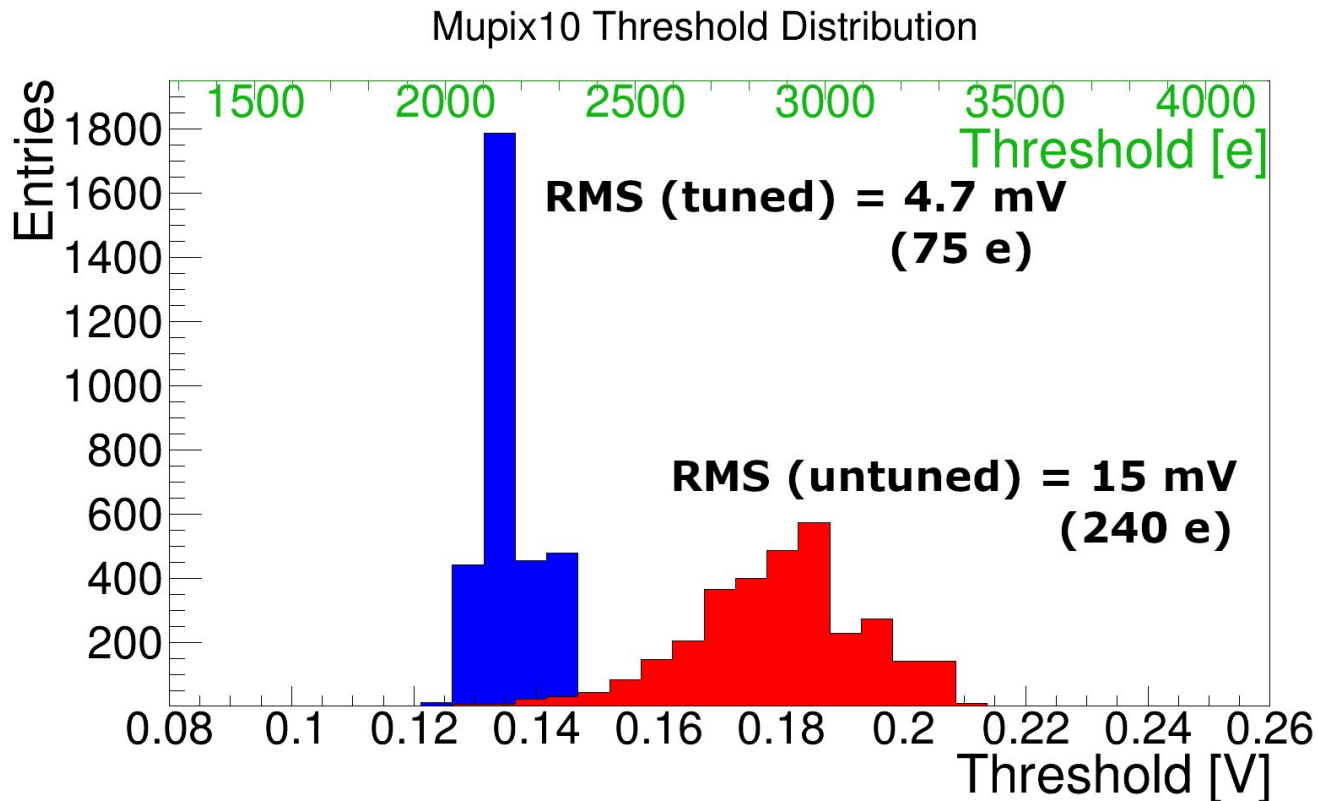
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Time resolution well within specifications

$\sim 15$  ns without corrections

6 ns after row and time-walk corrections

# MuPix10: results



Tunable threshold  
for each pixel

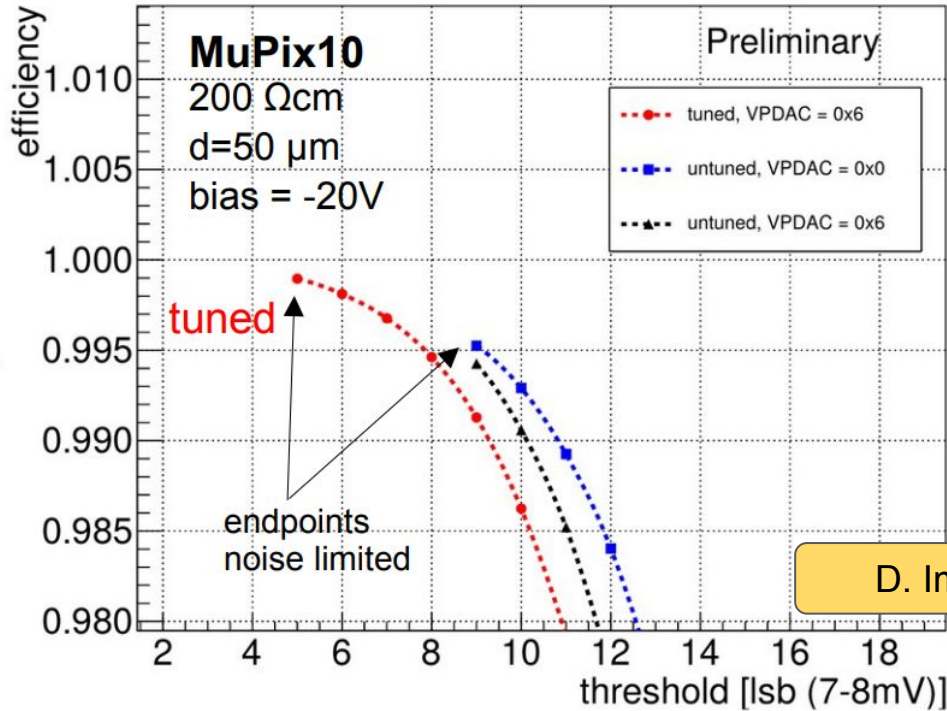
Tuning with  
threshold scans:

Low threshold  
dispersion

# MuPix10: results



DESY testbeam Dec. 2021



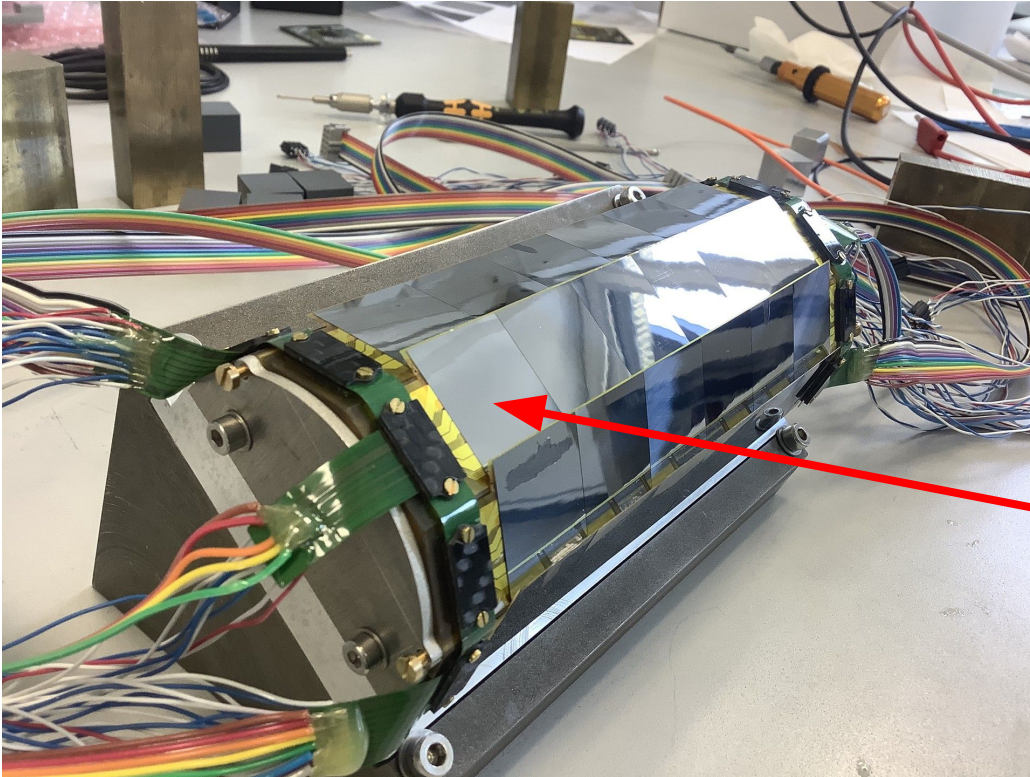
Tuning by lowering threshold while keeping noise constant: maximize efficiency!

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# Backup: Prototyping



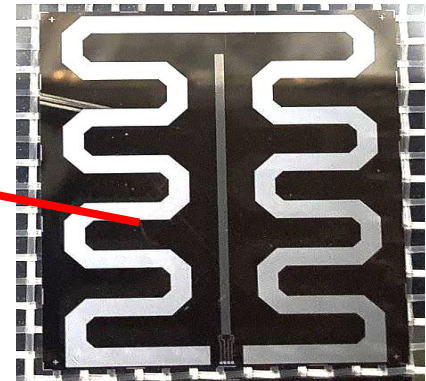
## Thermo-mechanical stability



Silicon heater prototype

Reproduction of inner tracker with same materials and connections

Chips are just passive silicon heaters





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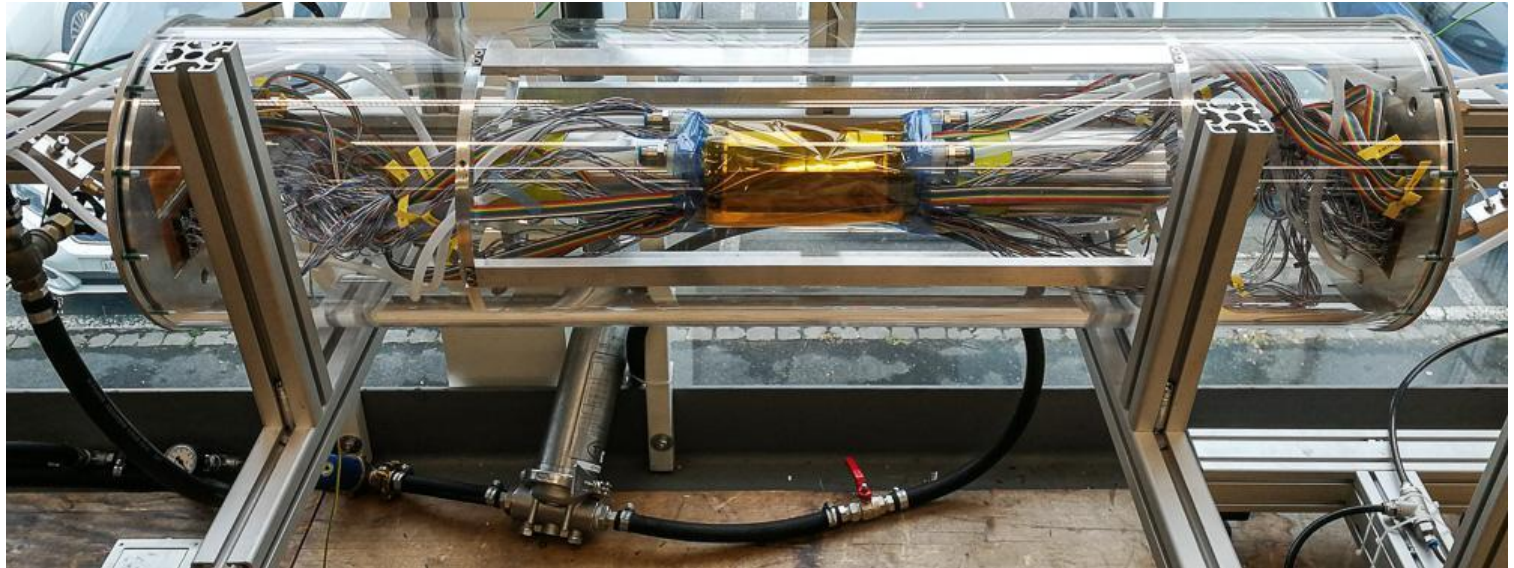
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Thermo-mechanical stability

Silicon heater prototype


Test stand  
with Helium  
cooling  
system



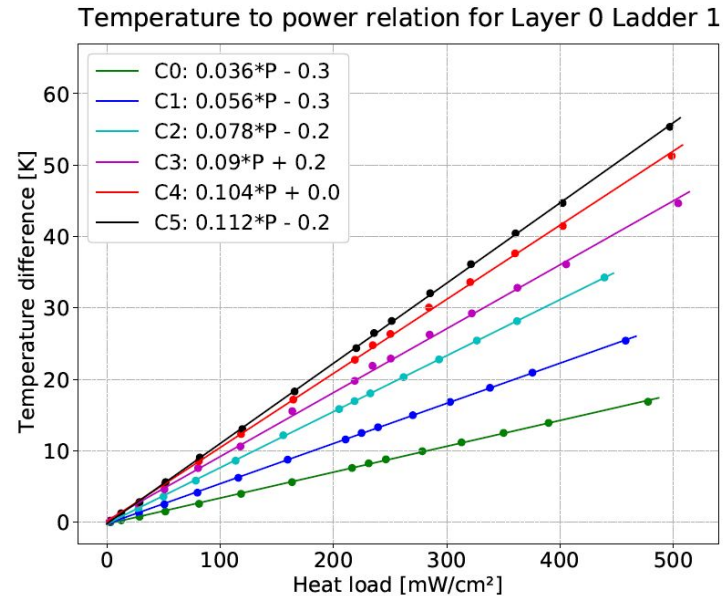
# Backup: Prototyping



## Thermo-mechanical stability

- Measurement of temperature-to-power relation
- Temperature difference linearly depending on heat dissipation
- Expected  $\Delta T < 70$  K for  $350 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  (conservative limit)
- Cooling concept works 
- More detailed studies to come

## Silicon heater prototype

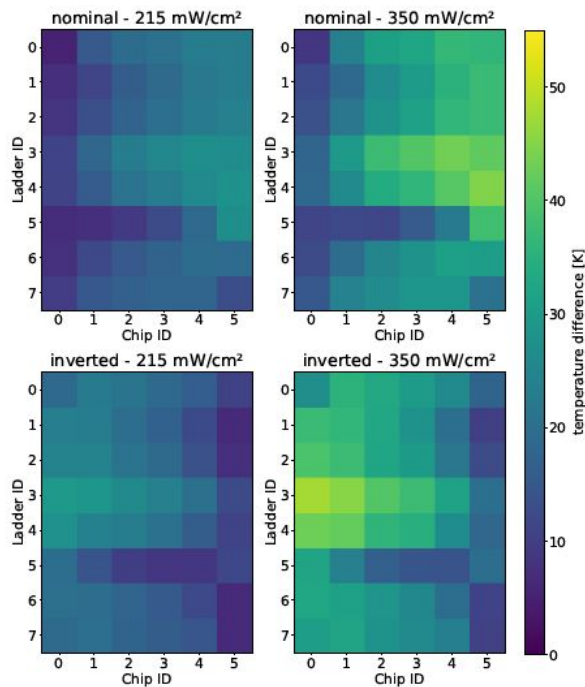


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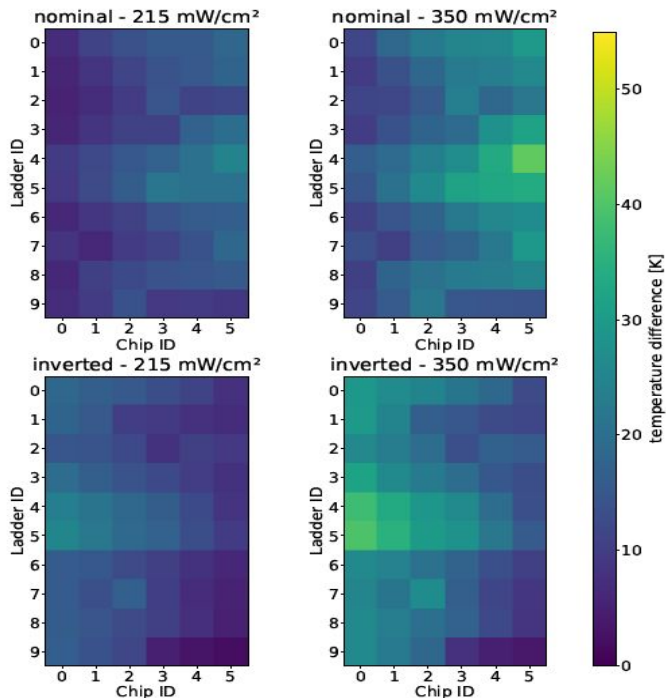
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Comparison of nominal and inverted flow for Layer 0

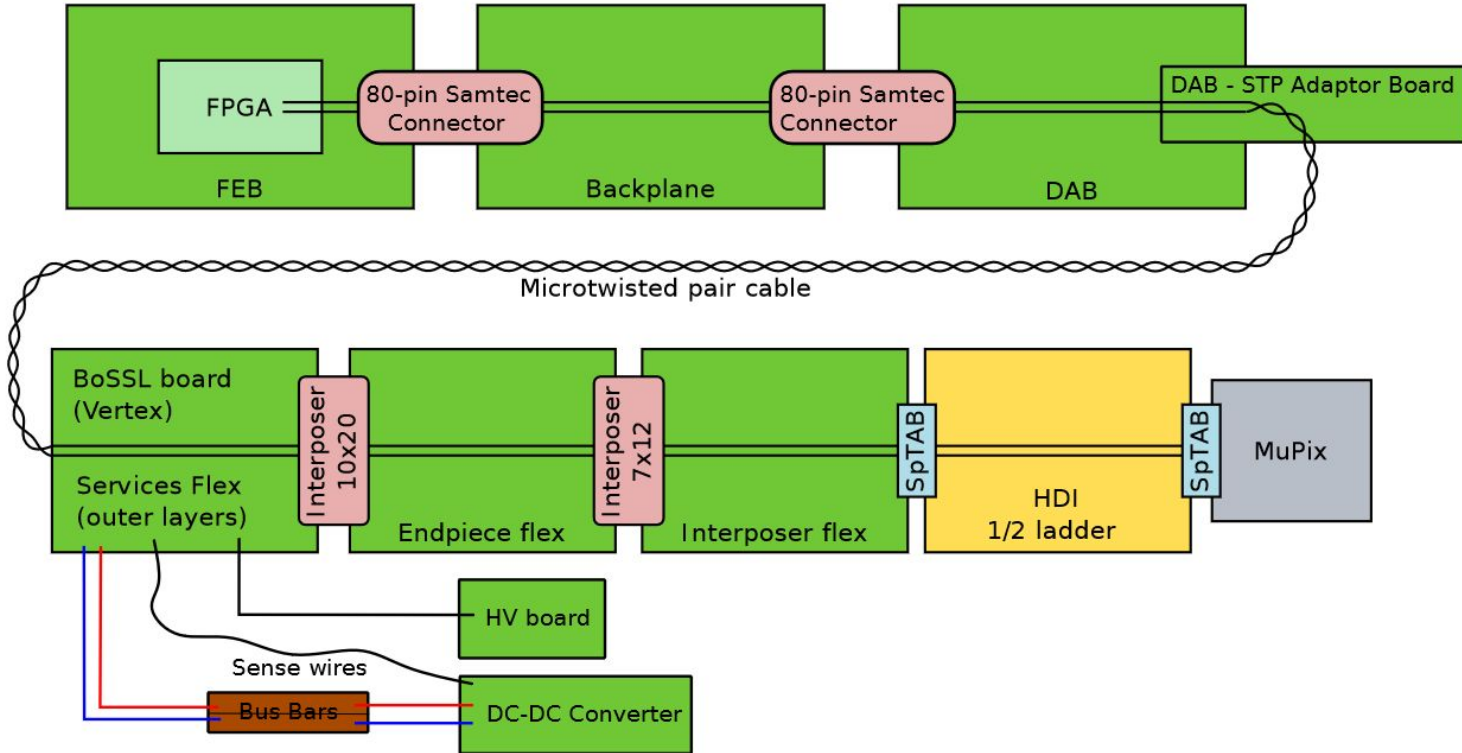


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# Vertical slice breakdown



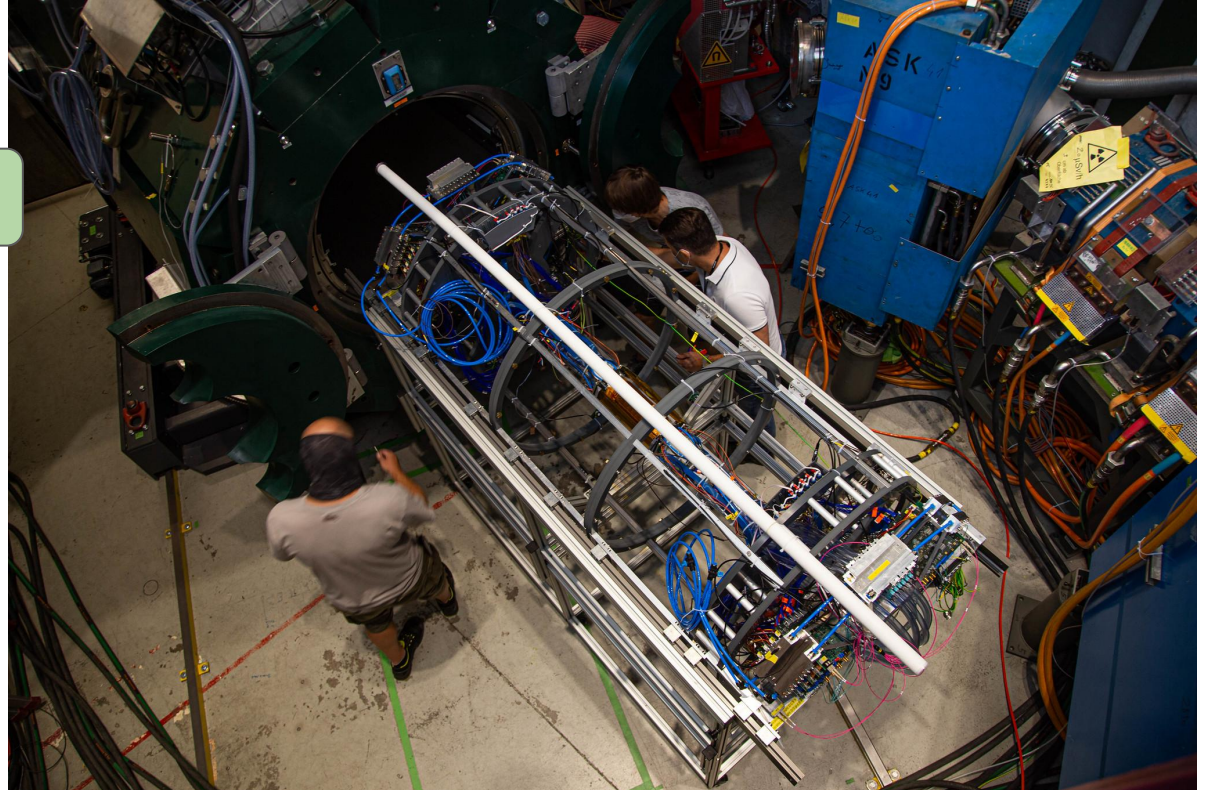
# Operation in experimental conditions

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DAQ and experimental concept

Inside Magnet

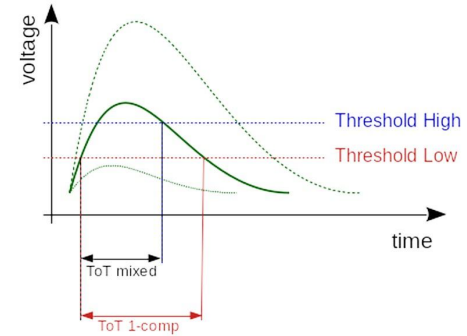
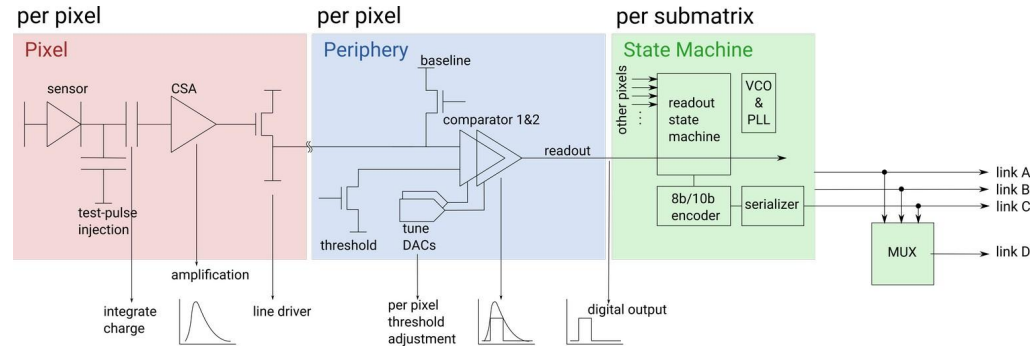


More pics at

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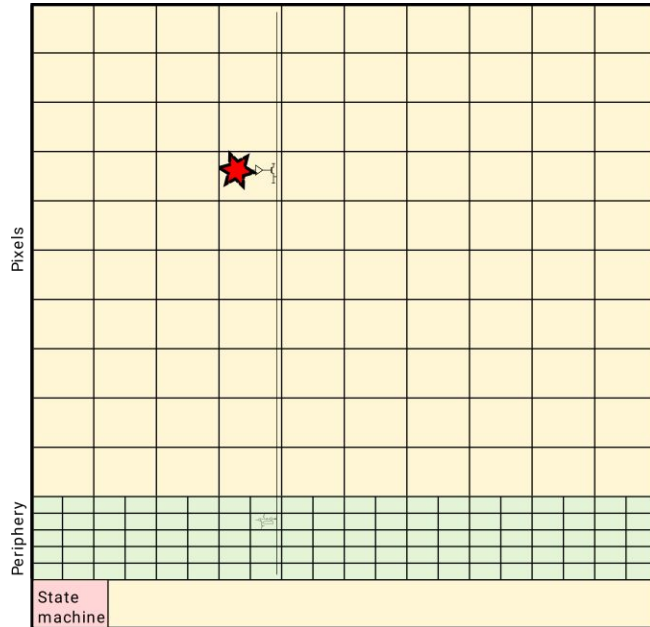


# MuPix Architecture



- Clear separation of analog and digital electronics
- 2 comparator design
- Tuning/Trimming and masking available
- Priority encoder / column-drain readout
- Chip sub-divided into 3 matrices → 1 Data link each + 1 multiplexed link

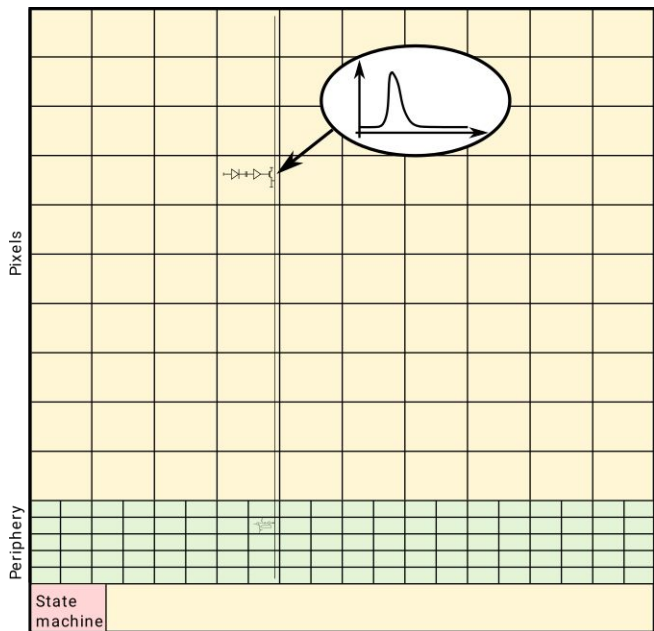
# The MuPix Principle



- Deposited charge amplified by in-pixel amplifier
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- Data is send out via a 1.25 Gbit/s differential link

Courtesy: Frank Meier

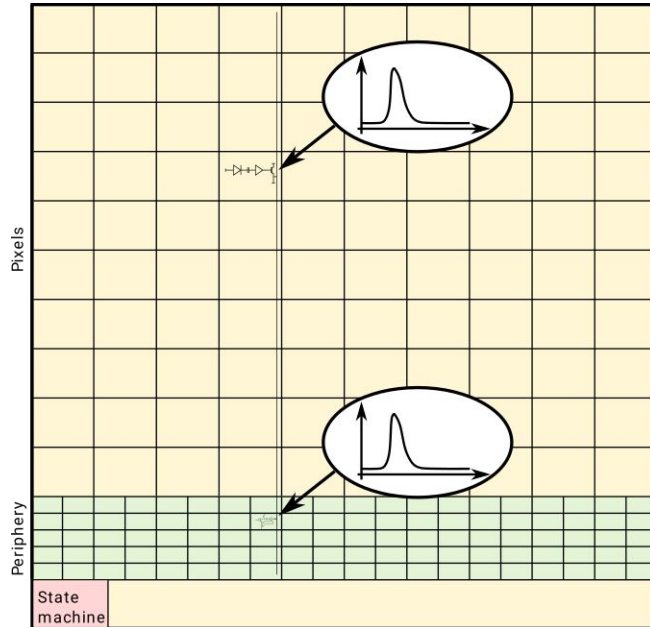
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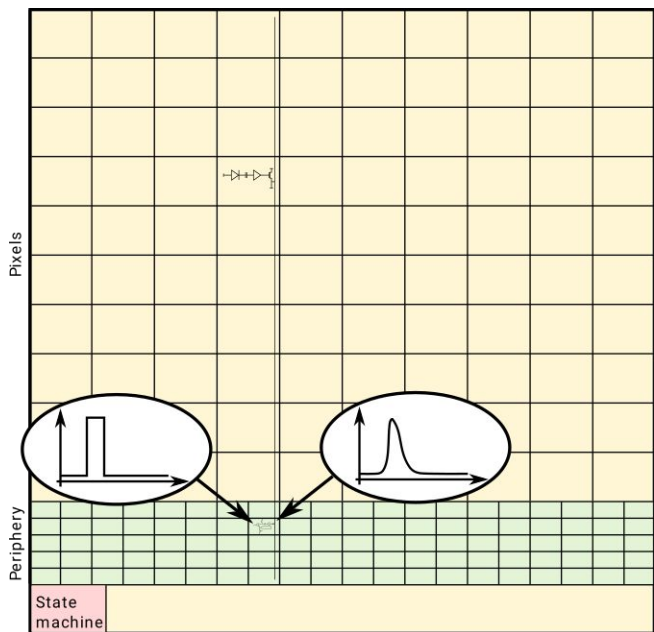


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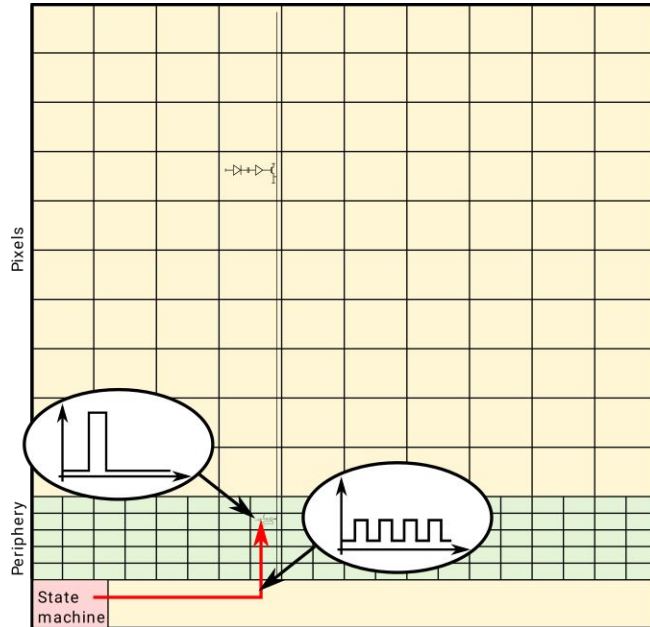
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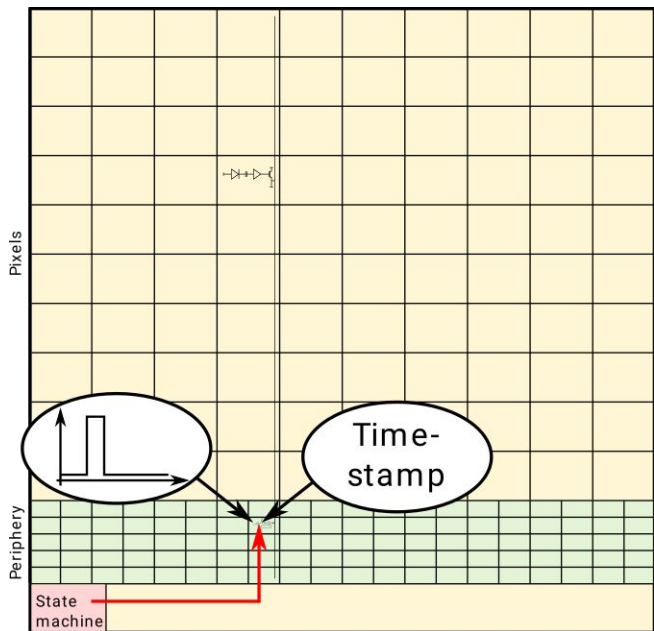
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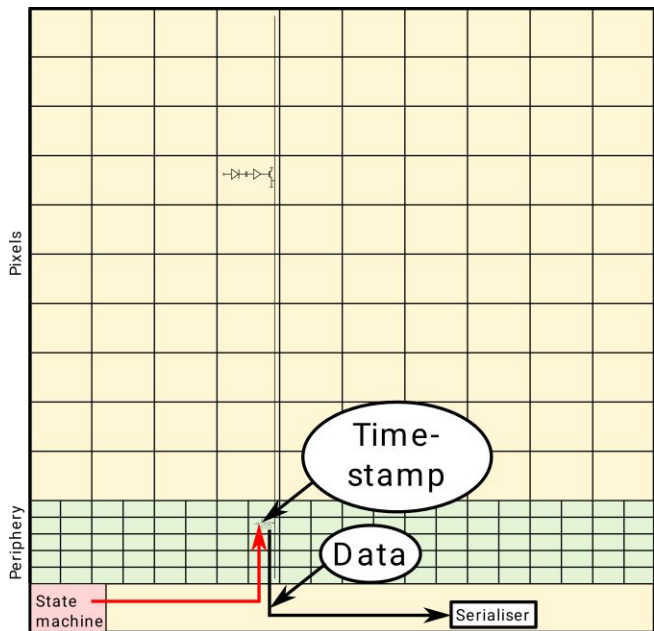
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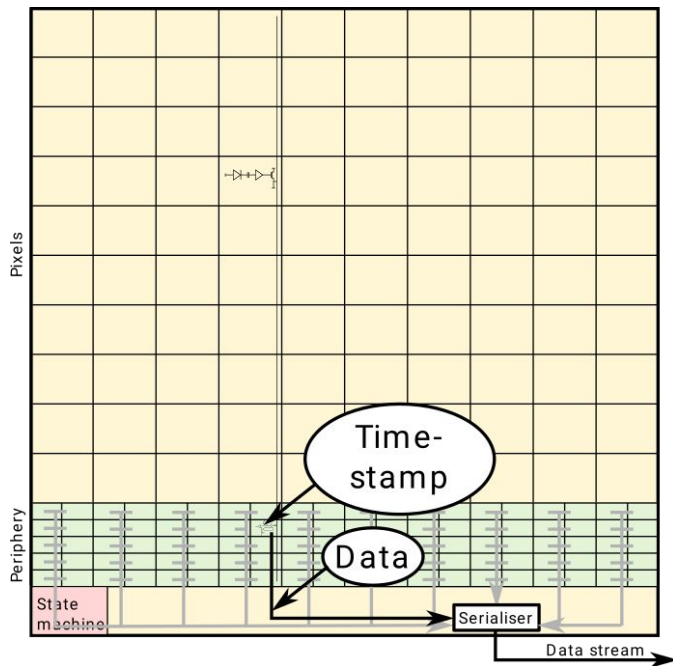
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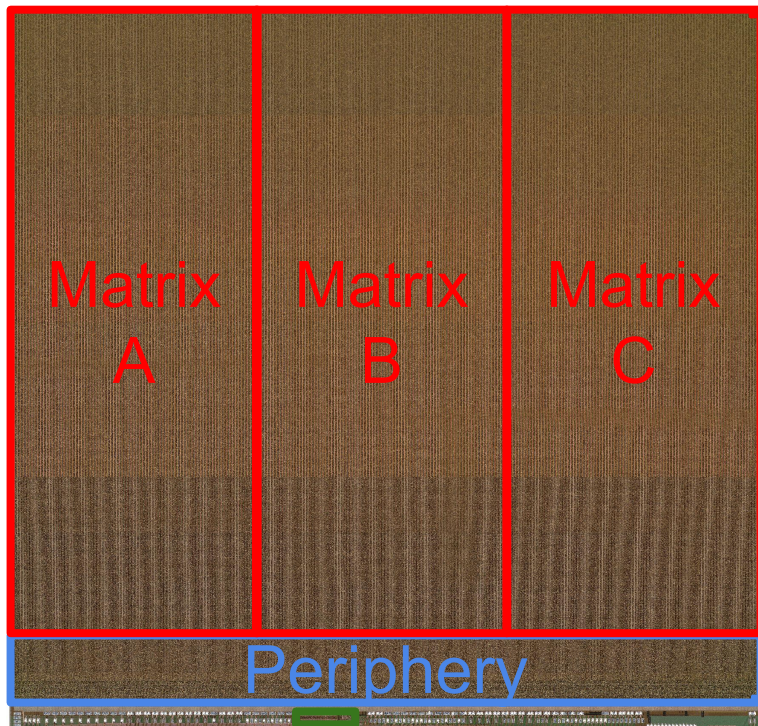
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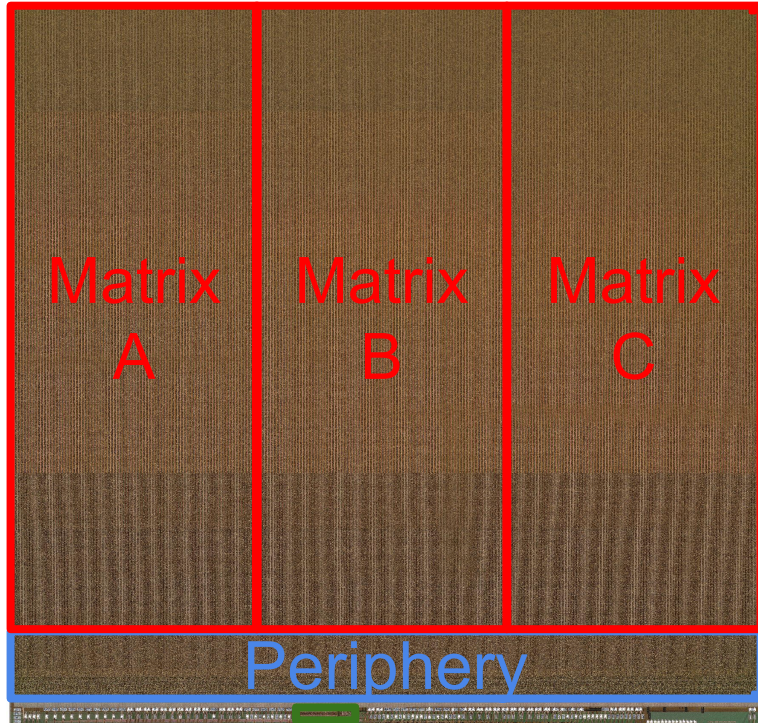
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# MuPix10 & MuPix11



Pixel size [ $\mu\text{m}^2$ ]	80 x 80
Sensor size [ $\text{mm}^2$ ]	20.66 x 23.18
Active size [ $\text{mm}^2$ ]	20.48 x 20.0
Pixel matrix	256 x 250
Thickness [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	<b>50, 70</b>
Substrate [ $\Omega\text{cm}$ ]	80, 370
Data links	<b>3+1</b>
Data speed [Gbit/s]	1.25
Time-of-arrival [bits]	11
ToT [bits]	5
TS binning [ns]	8 (option for 1.6)

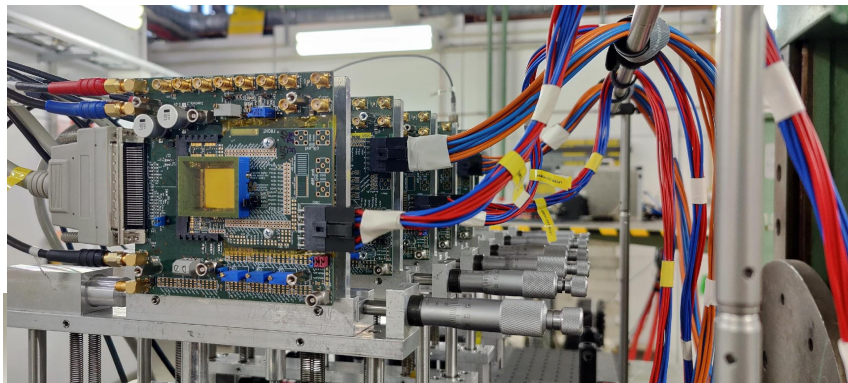
# From MuPix10 to MuPix11



- Removal of R&D features
  - ➔ More pads for powering
- Improvement of powering grid
  - ➔ Less on-chip voltage drop
- Buffering of data lines
  - ➔ Full speed readout  
30 MHits/s per sub-matrix
- Re-synthesis of State machine
  - ➔ Fast configuration interface available
- Re-done pixel point-to-point connection
  - ➔ Reduced delays and parasitic couplings



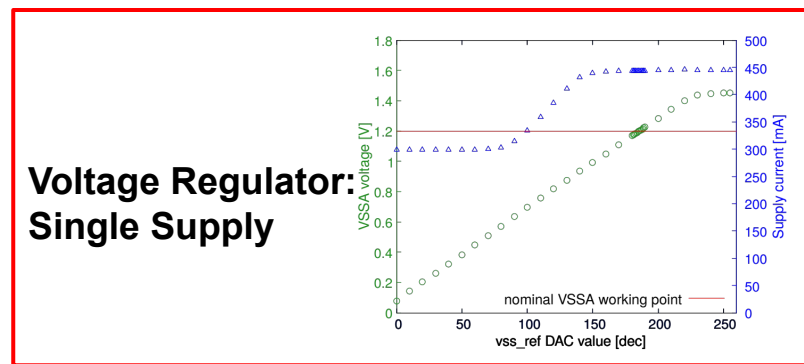
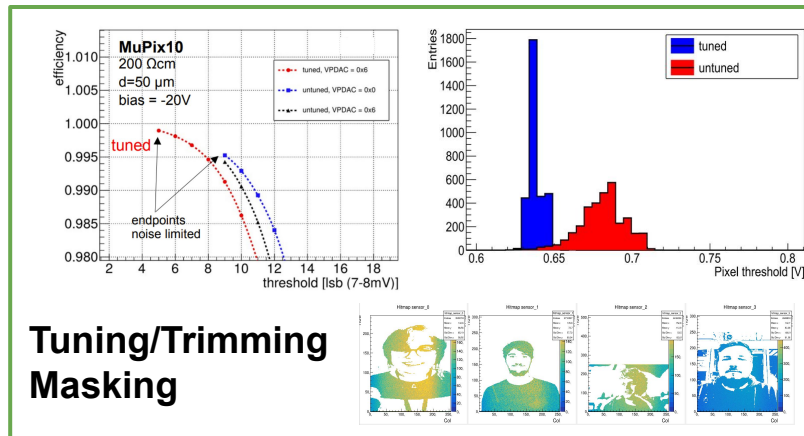
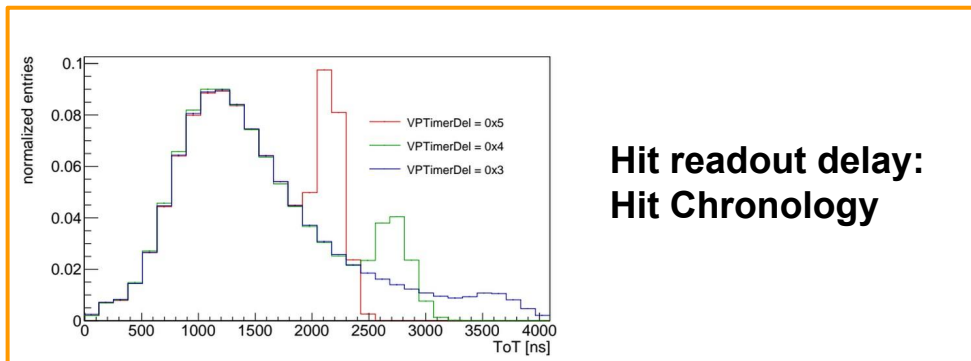
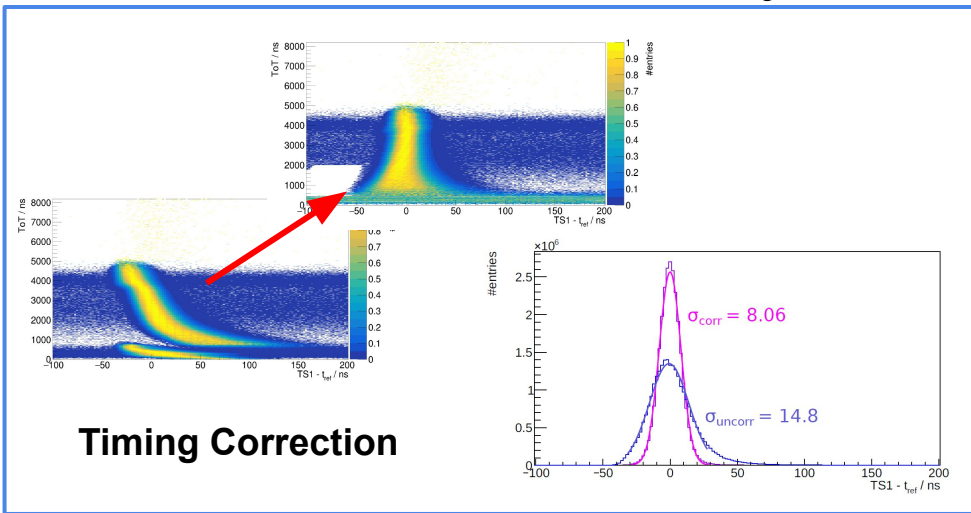
# Sensor Characterisation



- Lab commissioning
- Lab optimisation:  
Radioactive sources:  $^{55}\text{Fe}$ ,  $^{90}\text{Sr}$   
Time coincidence
- Testbeam Campaigns:  
DESYII (Hamburg, GER)  
MAMI (Mainz, GER)  
PSI piM1 (Villigen, CH)
- MuPix-Telescope
- Mimosa/Alpide-Telescopes



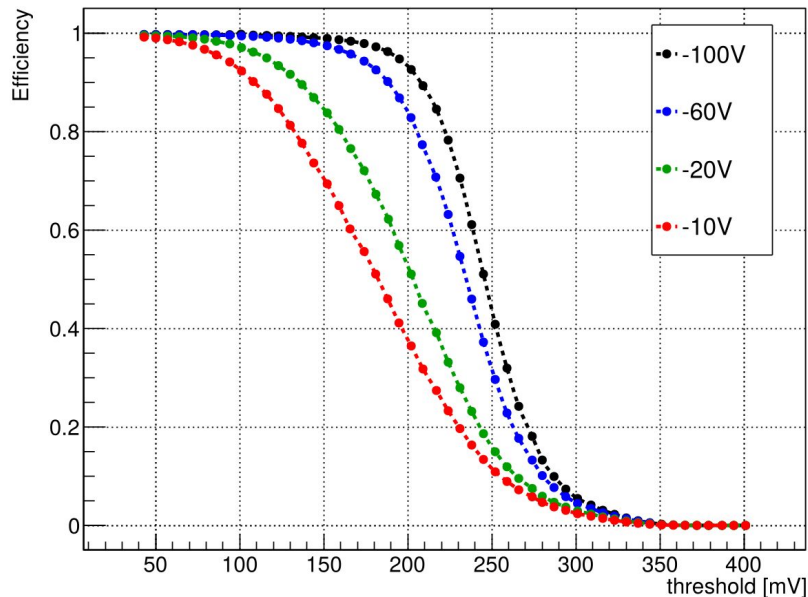
# Summary - Results MuPix10



# MuPix11 - First Light

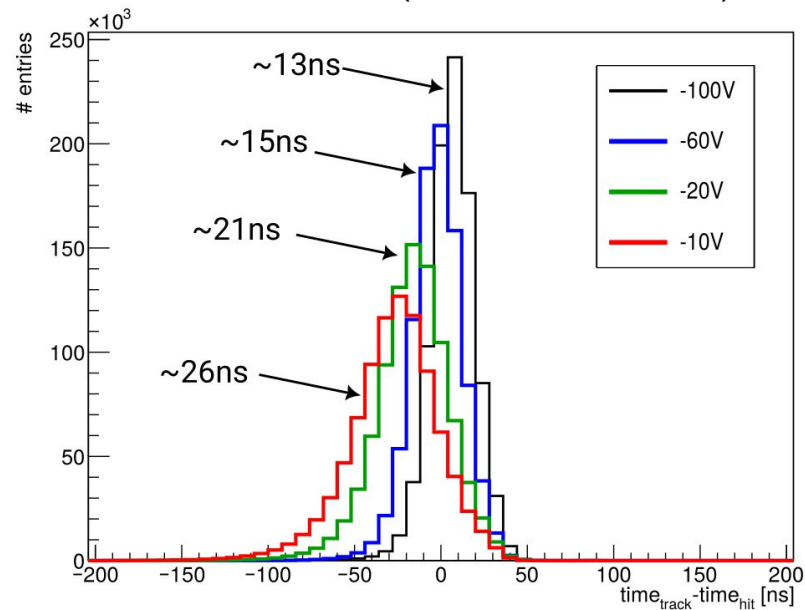


### Efficiency - 100 $\mu$ m thick sensor



Depletion depth proportional to  $\sqrt{\text{HV}}$

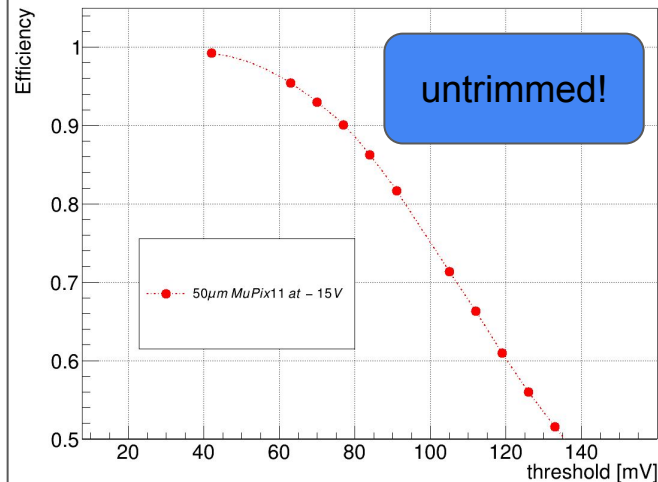
### Time resolution (Gaussian estimate)



Raw time resolution,  
no corrections of any kind

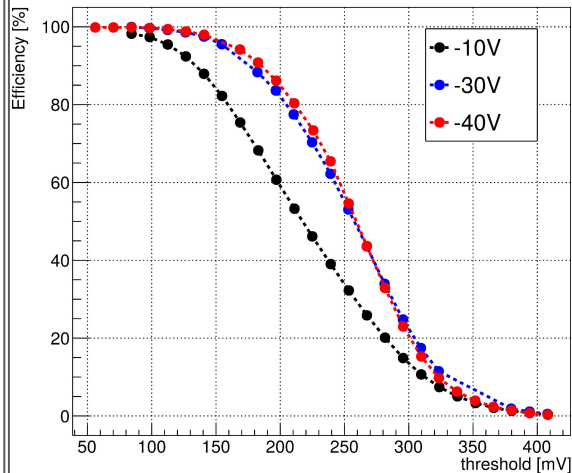
# MuPix11 - Efficiency for 50 and 70 $\mu\text{m}$

## 50 $\mu\text{m}$ thickness

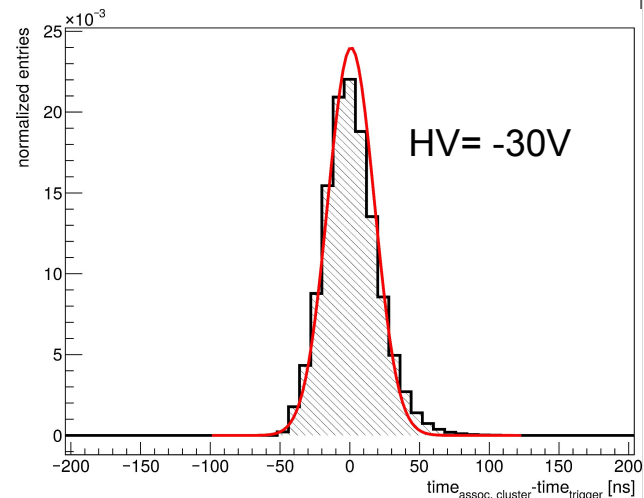


➔ Needs calibration/trimming!

## 70 $\mu\text{m}$ thickness



➔ Works out of the box!



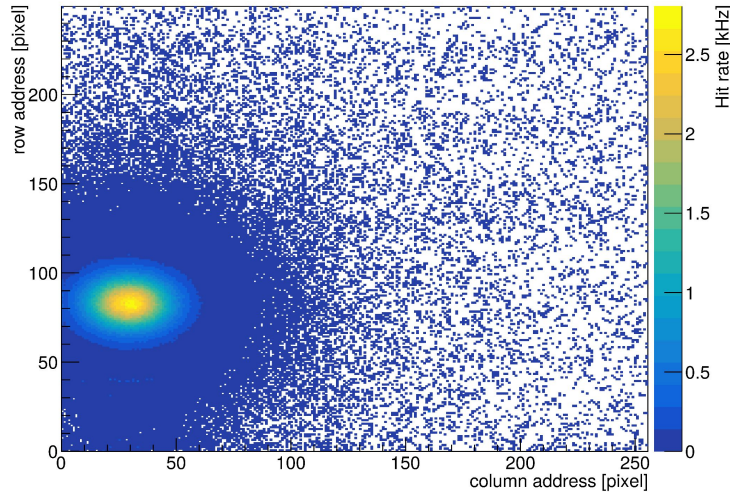
$\sigma_{\text{uncorrected}} \sim 16.6 \text{ ns}$

Mu3e: 50 $\mu\text{m}$  sensors for the vertex detector ( $\sim 100$  Sensors)  
 70 $\mu\text{m}$  sensors for the outer layers ( $\sim 3000$  Sensors)

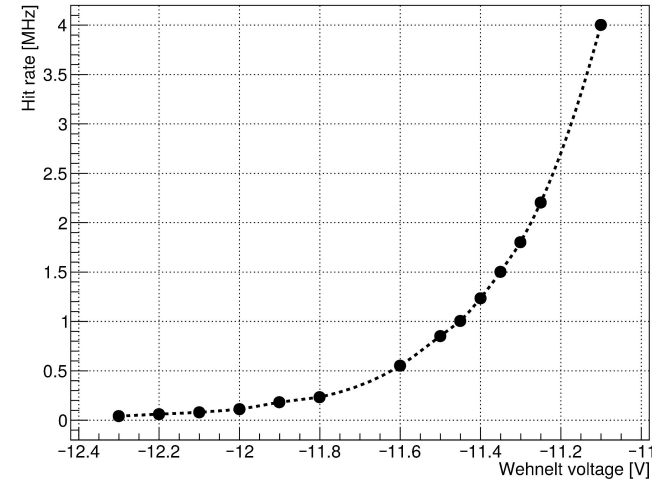
# MuPix11 - High Rate capability



**MAMI** - Beam spot on sub-matrix A

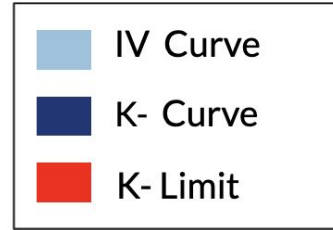
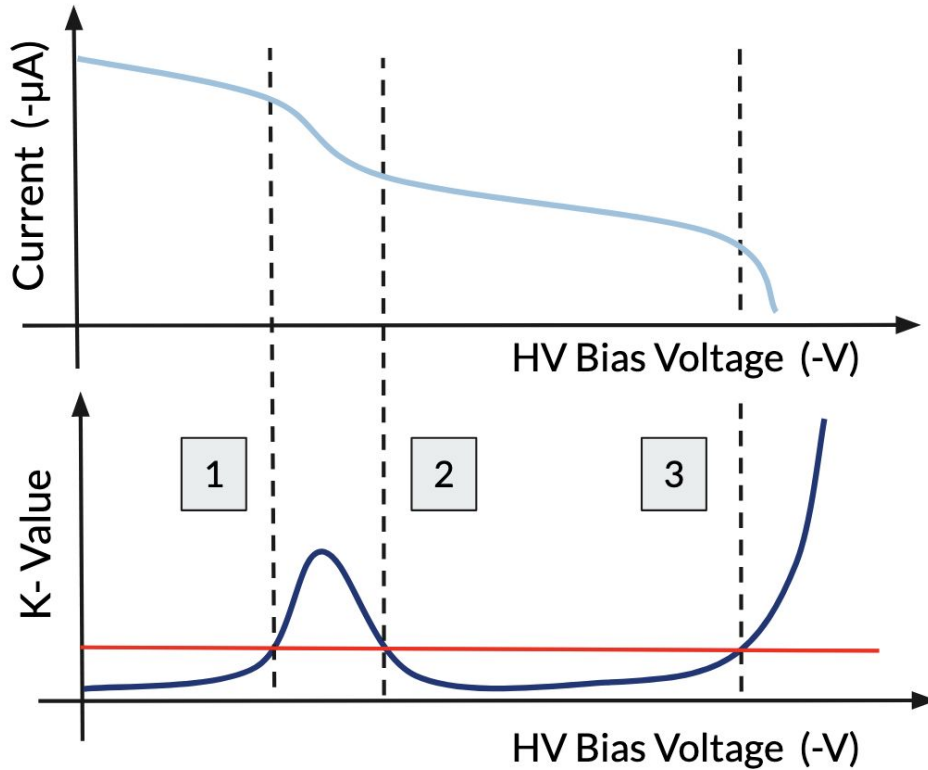


Beam rate measured with MuPix11



No Readout saturation visible @ 4 MHz Hitrate  
➔ Average Rate on “Hottest” Sensor 6 MHz

# IV issues

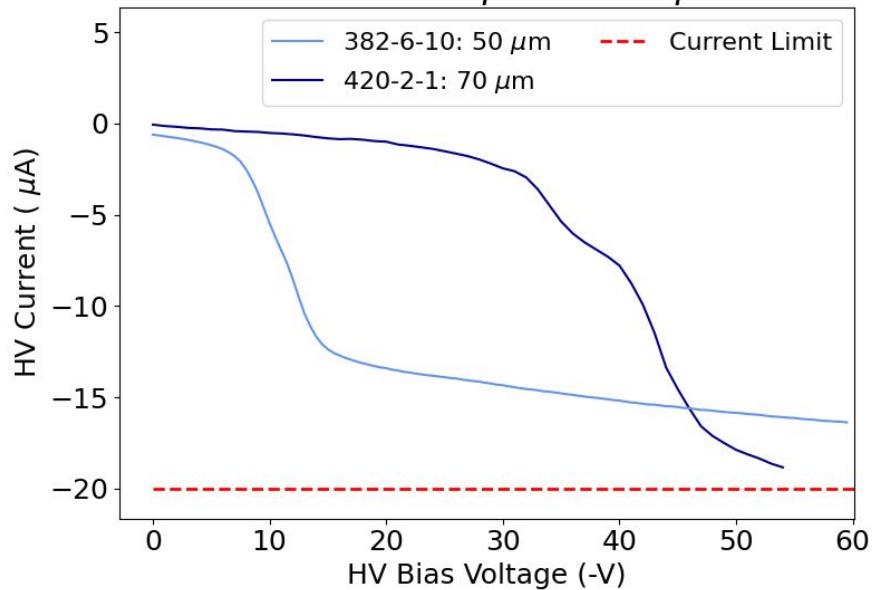


K- Voltages	
1	Boundary Voltage
2	Stabilisation Voltage
3	Breakdown Voltage

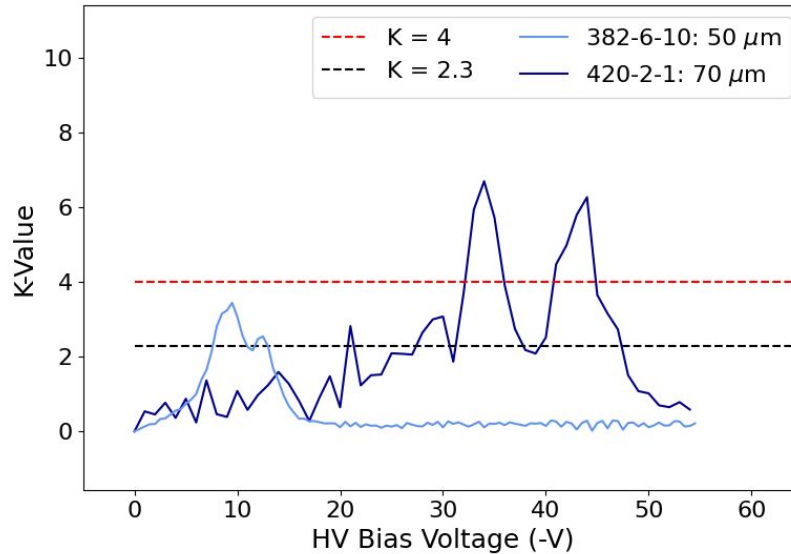
# IV issue



### IV Curves: 70 $\mu\text{m}$ and 50 $\mu\text{m}$



### K- Curves: 420 - 2



# IV issues



K- Voltages for 420 - 2, 420 - 3

