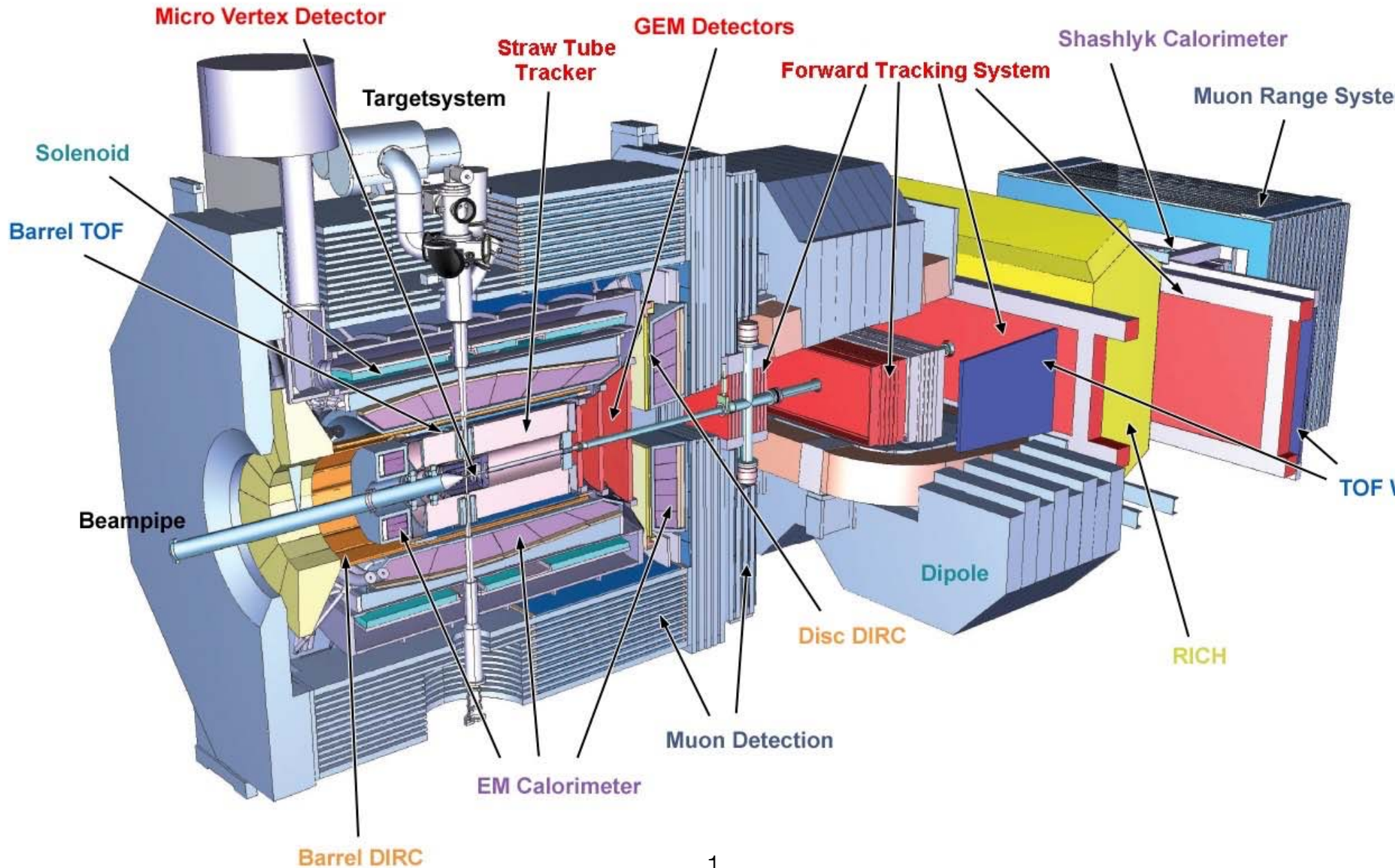


# PANDA Detector



# PANDA Physics

- **HADRON SPECTROSCOPY**
  - CHARMONIUM
  - GLUONIC EXCITATIONS
  - OPEN CHARM
  - STRANGE AND CHARMED BARYONS
- **NUCLEON STRUCTURE**
  - GENERALIZED DISTRIBUTION AMPLITUDES (GDA)
  - DRELL-YAN
  - ELECTROMAGNETIC FORM FACTORS
- **HYPERNUCLEAR PHYSICS**
- **HADRONS IN THE NUCLEAR MEDIUM**

FAIR/PANDA/Physics Book

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Physics Performance Report for:

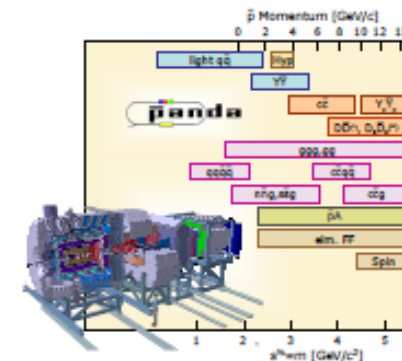
**PANDA**

(AntiProton Annihilations at Darmstadt)

**Strong Interaction Studies with Antiprotons**

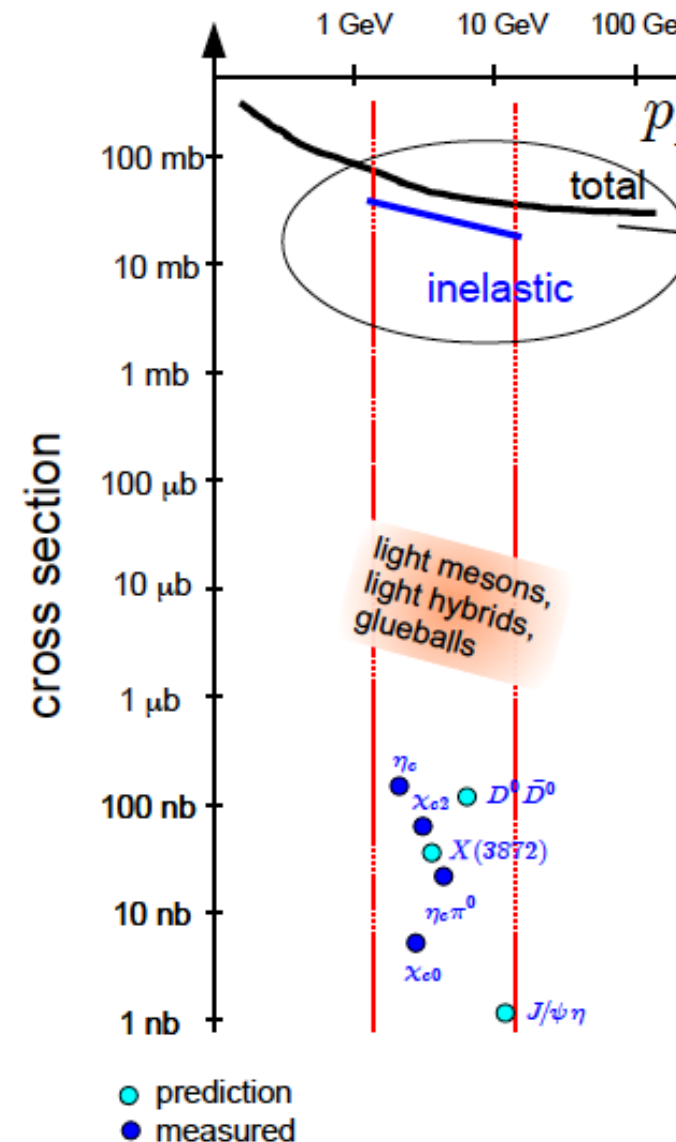
PANDA Collaboration

To study fundamental questions of hadron and nuclear physics in interactions of antiprotons with nucleons and nuclei, the universal PANDA detector will be built. Gluonic excitations, the physics of strange and charm quarks and nucleon structure studies will be performed with unprecedented accuracy thereby allowing high-precision tests of the strong interaction. The proposed PANDA detector is a state-of-the-art internal target detector at the HESR at FAIR allowing the detection and identification of neutral and charged particles generated within the relevant angular and energy range. This report presents a summary of the physics accessible at PANDA and what performance can be expected.



# Panda Physics, Data Acquisition and Event Filtering

- Problem: finding the needle in the haystack
- total inelastic cross section
  - 50 mb
- Interesting physics
  - most channels < 100 nb
- $2 \times 10^6$  interactions /s
- Data rate after FEE reduction: 200 GBytes/s
  - 17 PBytes/day
- Goal for online event filtering:
  - reduce “background” by factor of 1000



# FAIR Tier 0 Data Center

Estimated total for full FAIR

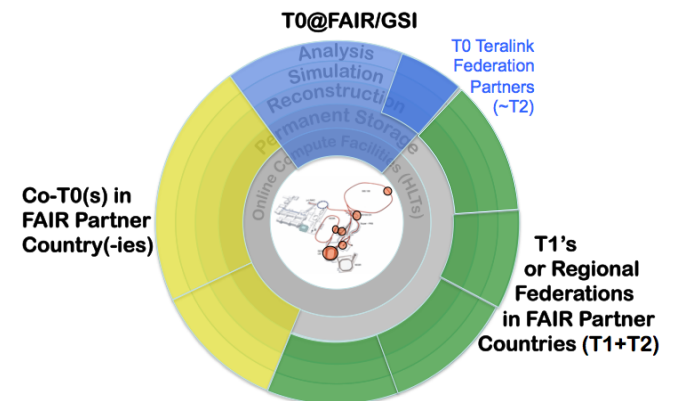
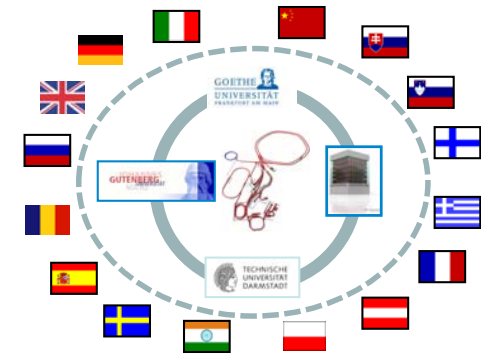
FAIR Tier 0

- 300.000 CPU-cores
- 35 PByte/year Online-Storage (HDD)
- 30 Pbyte/year Permanent-Storage (Tape)

Comparable resources in FAIR partner countries

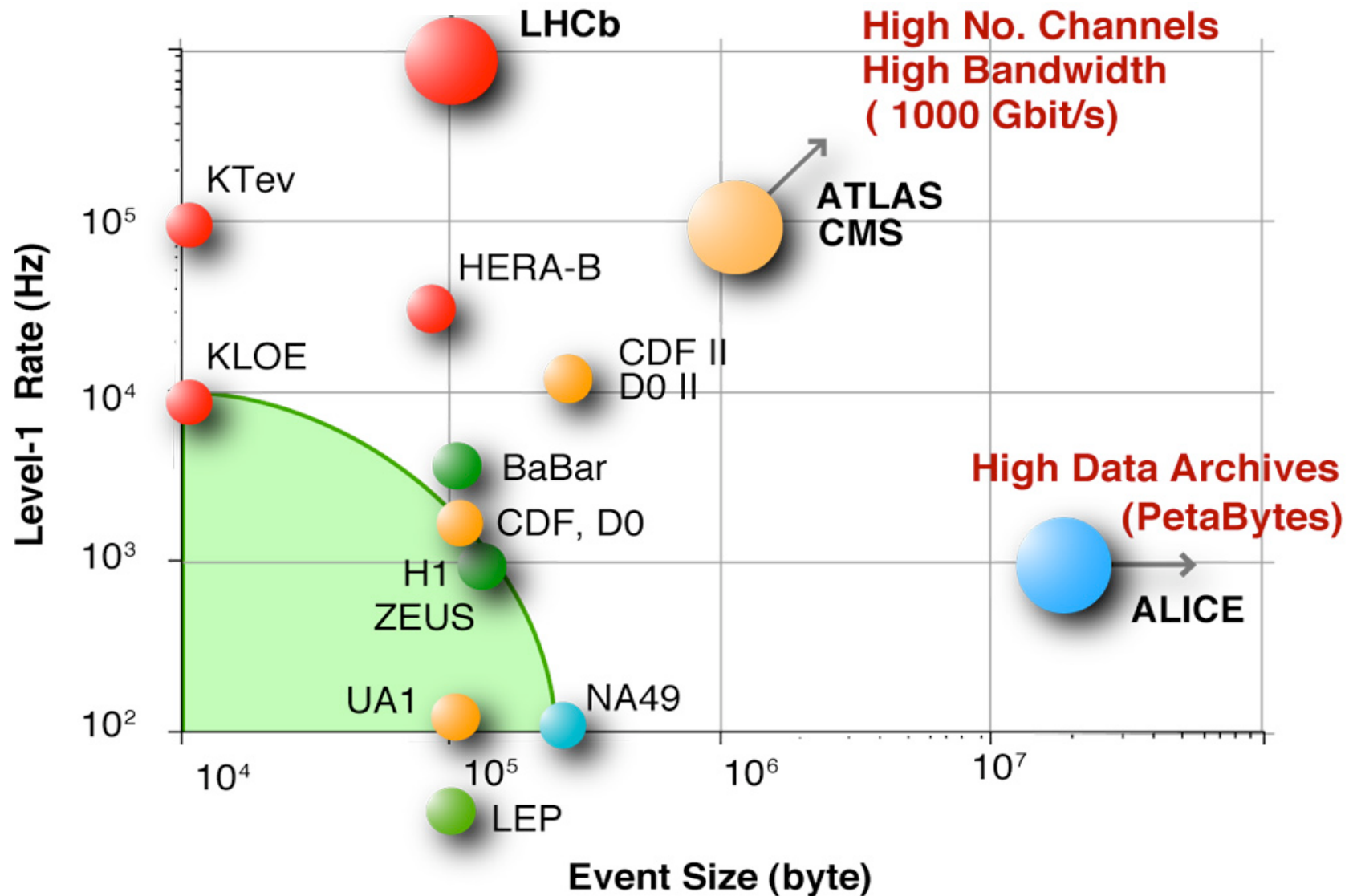
## Key Points

- Few big, highly efficient data centers
- Further partner connected via regional federations



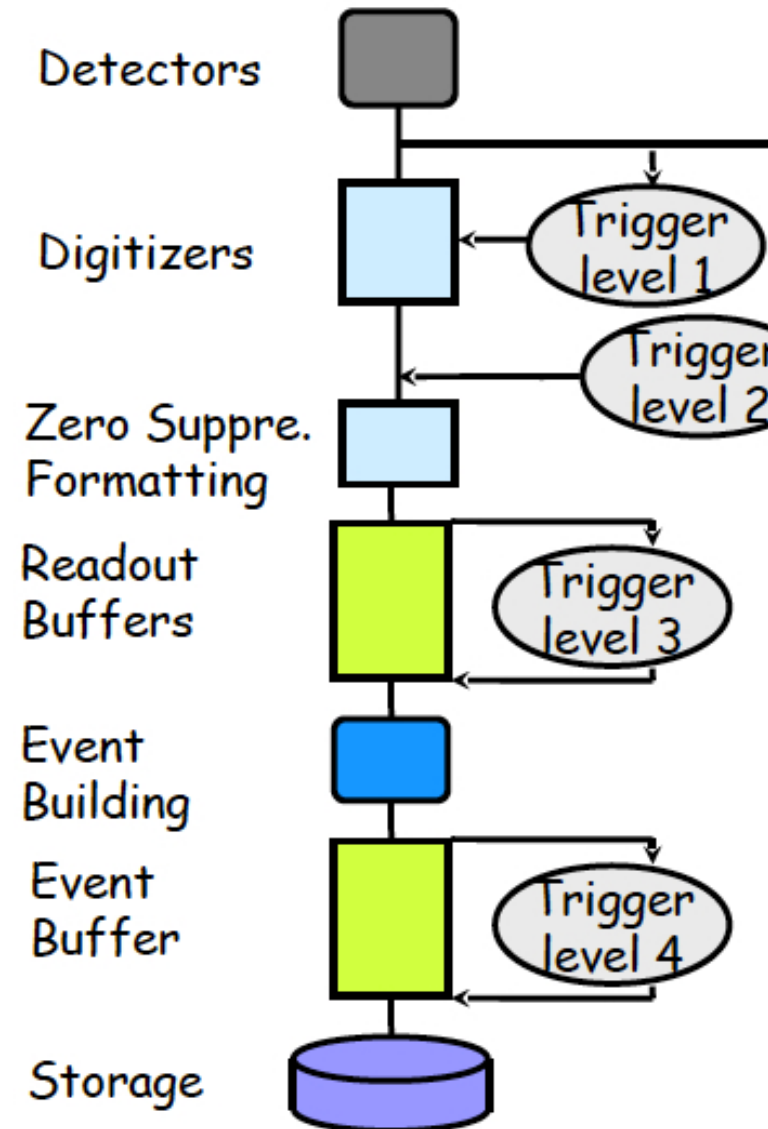
# The PANDA DAQ Challenge

 PANDA



# Conventional Approach

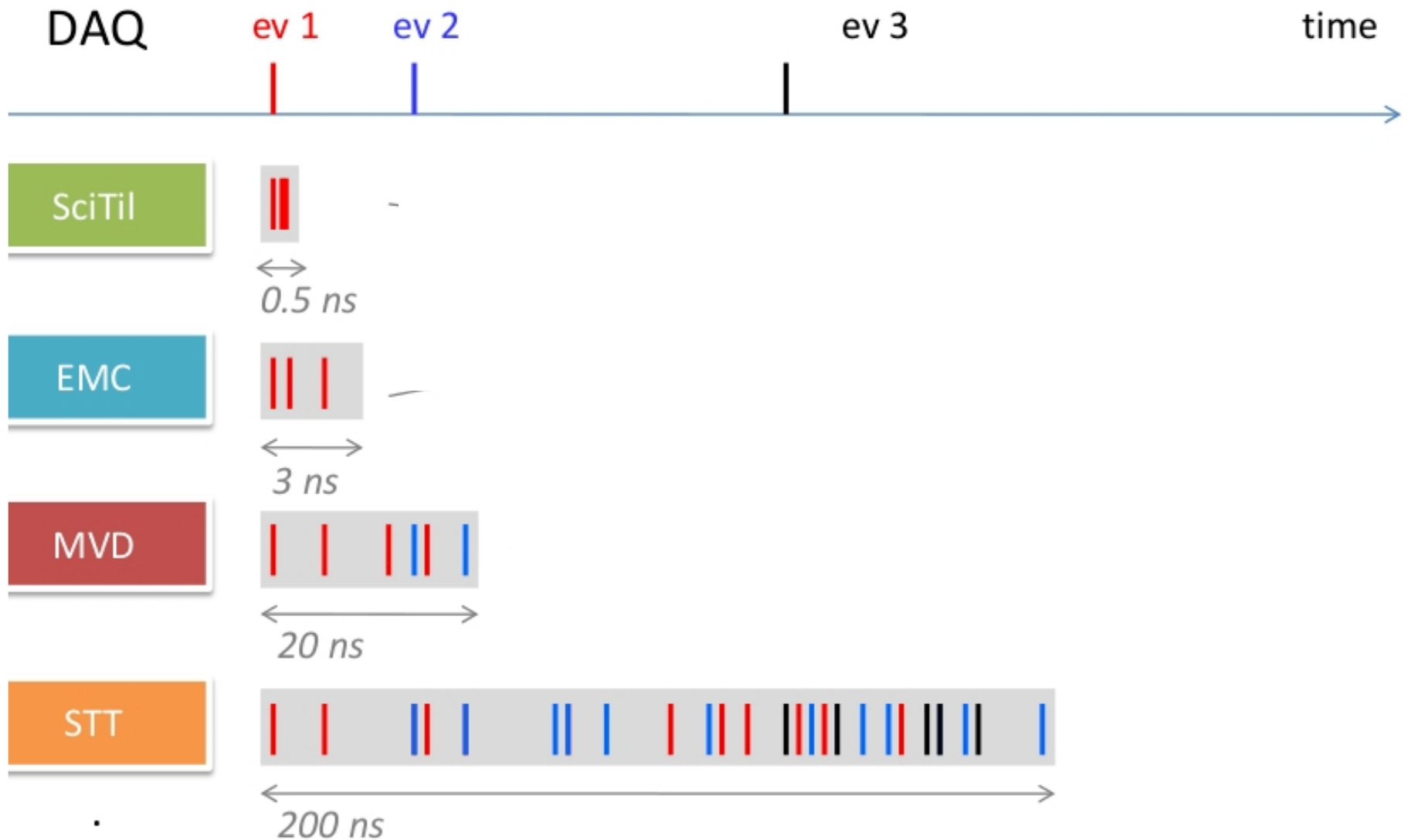
- Multi-level hardware trigger
  - Buffering at each level until trigger decisions are taken
- Works well, if physics provides clear and simple trigger signatures
  - **ATLAS / CMS :**
    - missing  $E_t$ , high  $p_t$  muons, jets, etc
- For some experiments, there are no such simple selection criteria
  - **LHCb:** look for B decays (secondary vertices)
  - **PANDA:** exclusive kinematic reconstruction of complete events (all reaction products measured)



# PANDA Approach

- Freely streaming data :“Trigger - less”
  - No hardware triggers
    - However, there will be event filtering, we do not record everything !!
- Autonomous FEE, sampling ADCs with local feature extraction
- Time-stamping (SODA)
  - Data fragments can be correlated for event building
- Caveat: the high-rate capability implies overlapping events !!!
  - average time between two events can be smaller than typical detector time scales
  - This “pile-up” has to be treated and disentangled
  - Real-time event selection in this environment is very challenging and requires a lot of studies

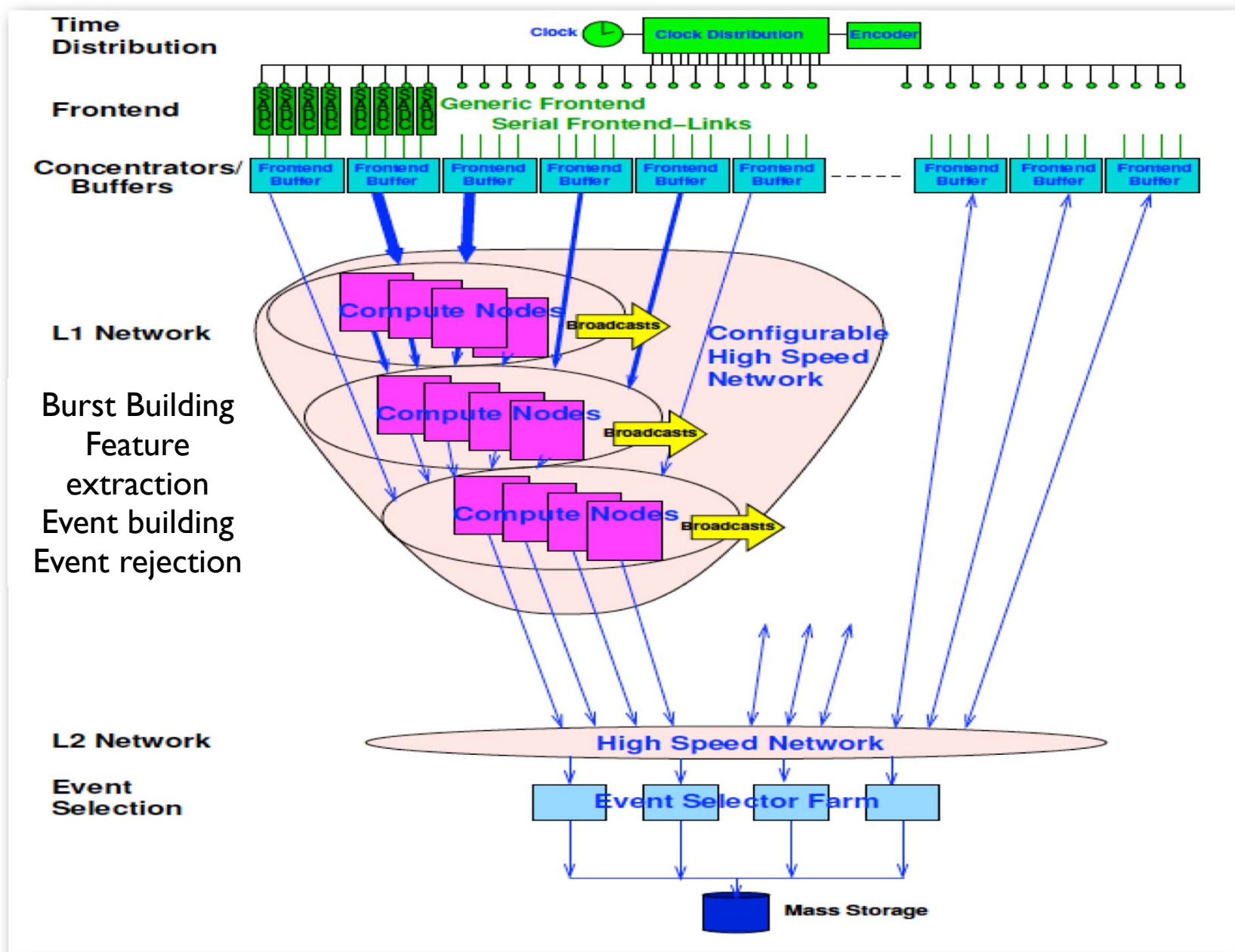
# Overlapping Events (Time-based simulations)





# Challenges

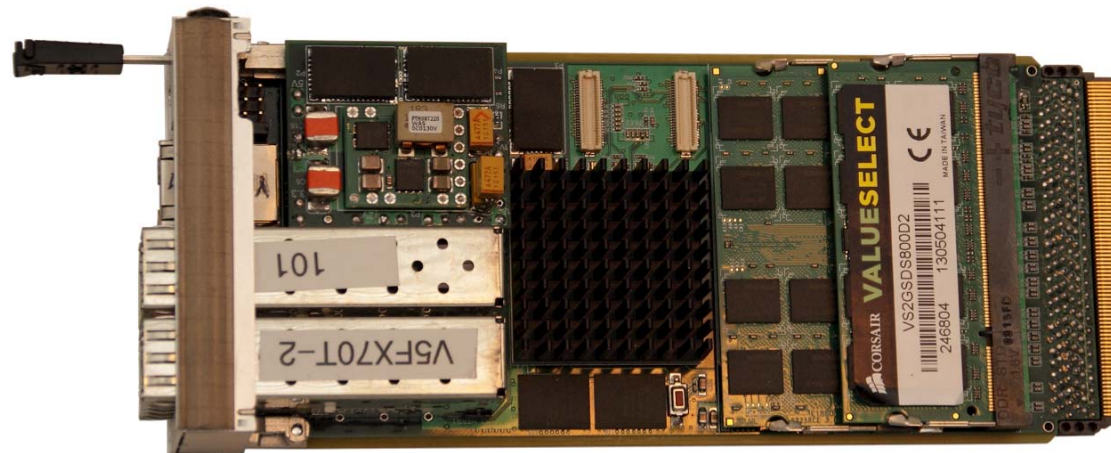
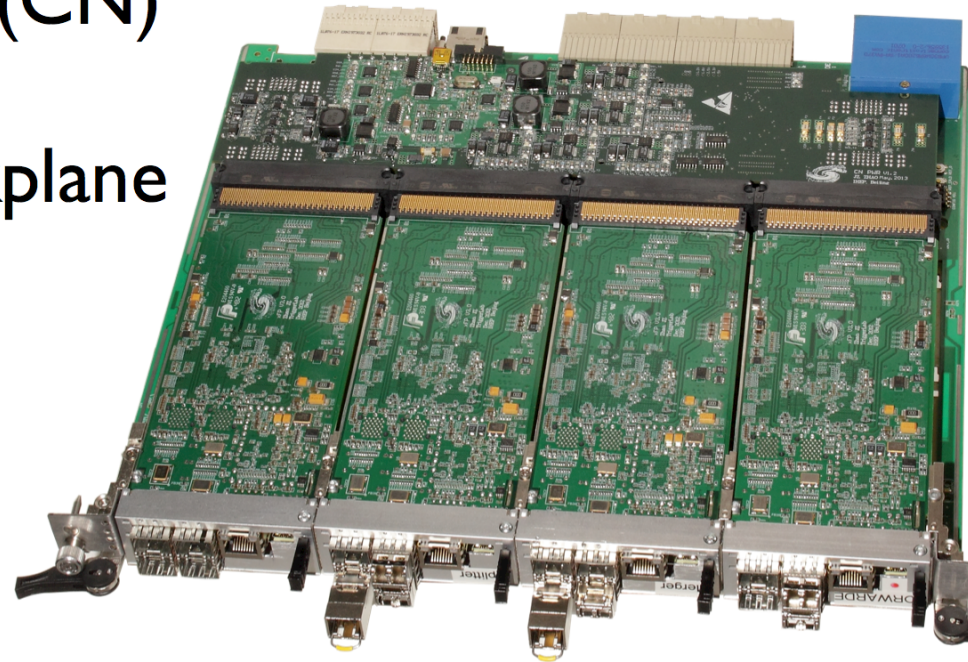
- How much can we reduce the primary data rate ?
  - Software trigger group (principal physics simulations)
    - Answer: maybe up to factor 1000, some loss of efficiency
- Caveat: event based estimate, but overlapping data @ 20 MHz
  - A priori, there are no “events”, there is just a stream of “data” from each sub-system
  - Worst case: if we cannot assemble events online, we have to store everything, because we cannot reject anything !
    - 200 GB/s -> 17 PB/day, compare to 30 PB mass storage/year @ FAIR Tier 0
    - Impossible !
    - Even running at 200 KHz only would exceed the available yearly storage capacity
- The PANDA physics program is not feasible without effective filtering, reducing the event rate by more than 2 orders of magnitude
- This works only if we are able to reconstruct most of the raw data in realtime. Massive challenge !
  - We need full time-based simulation and reconstruction software to judge feasibility and determine required resources (work in progress !!!)



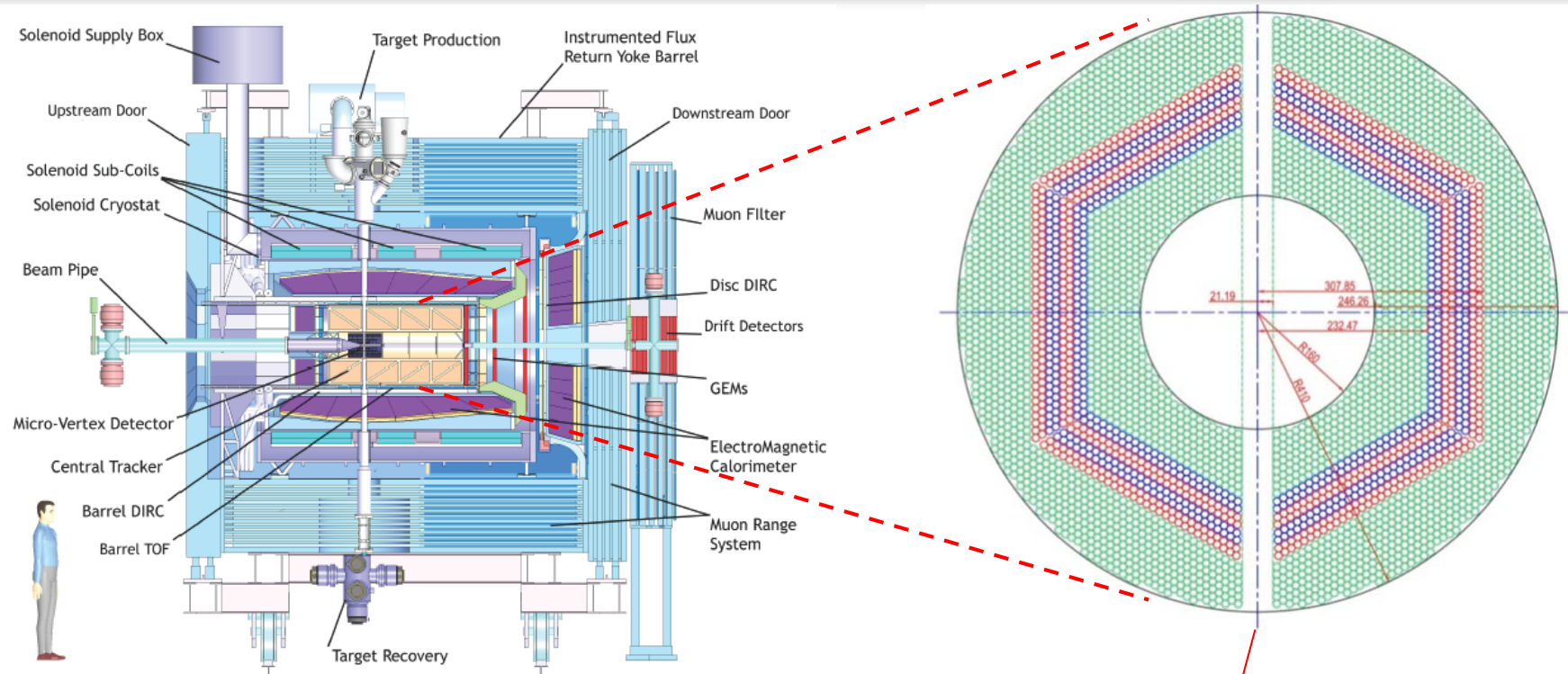
# PANDA DAQ / Event Filter

# Building Blocks (L1 network)

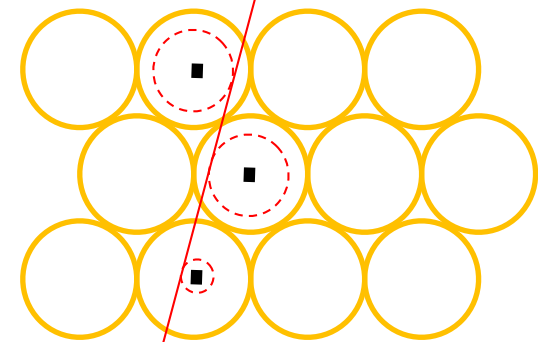
- FPGA based Compute Nodes (CN)
- ATCA standard, full mesh backplane
- 4 + 1 FPGA Virtex5 70FXT
  - Virtex 5 -> Kintex 7
- 16 optical links, GbE
- 18 GBytes RAM



# Application Example: Tracking for STT



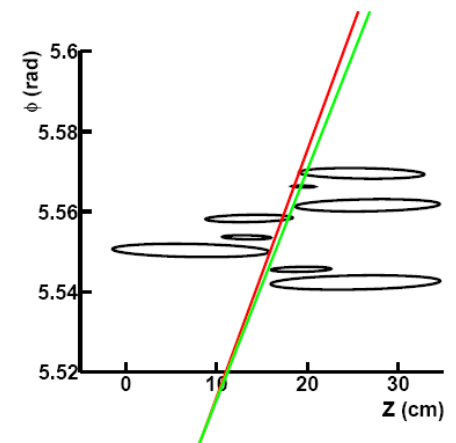
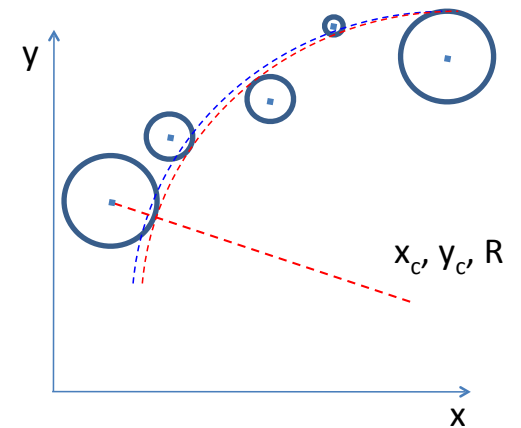
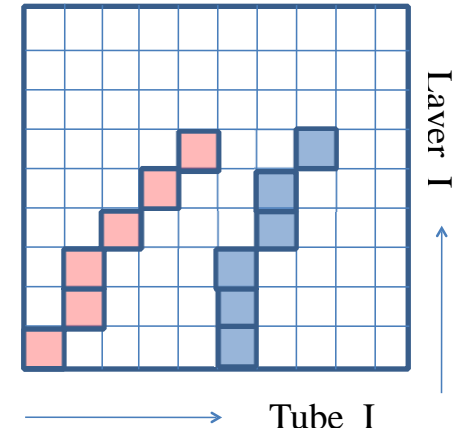
- 4636 Straw tubes
- 23-27 planar layers
  - 15-19 axial layers (green) in beam direction
  - 4 stereo double-layers for 3D reconstruction, with  $\pm 2.89$  skew angle (blue/red)



From STT : Wire position + drift time

# Tracking algorithm

- “Road” search
- Helix parameter determination
- Transverse momentum
- Longitudinal momentum

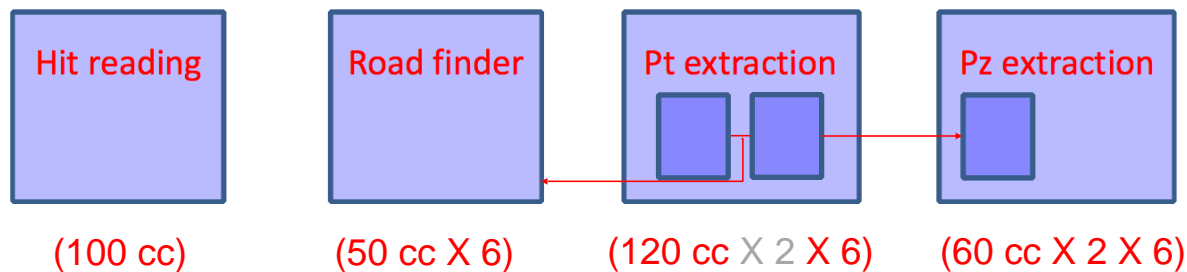


# Results (VHDL implementation)

- Momentum resolution 3% @ 1 GeV/c

Device Utilization Summary			
Logic Utilization	Used	Available	Utilization
Number of Slice Flip Flops	25,022	50,560	49%
DCM autocalibration logic	14	25,022	1%
Number of 4 input LUTs	33,120	50,560	65%
DCM autocalibration logic	8	33,120	1%
Number of occupied Slices	21,563	25,280	85%

For one event with 100 hits (6 tracks): 7  $\mu$ s

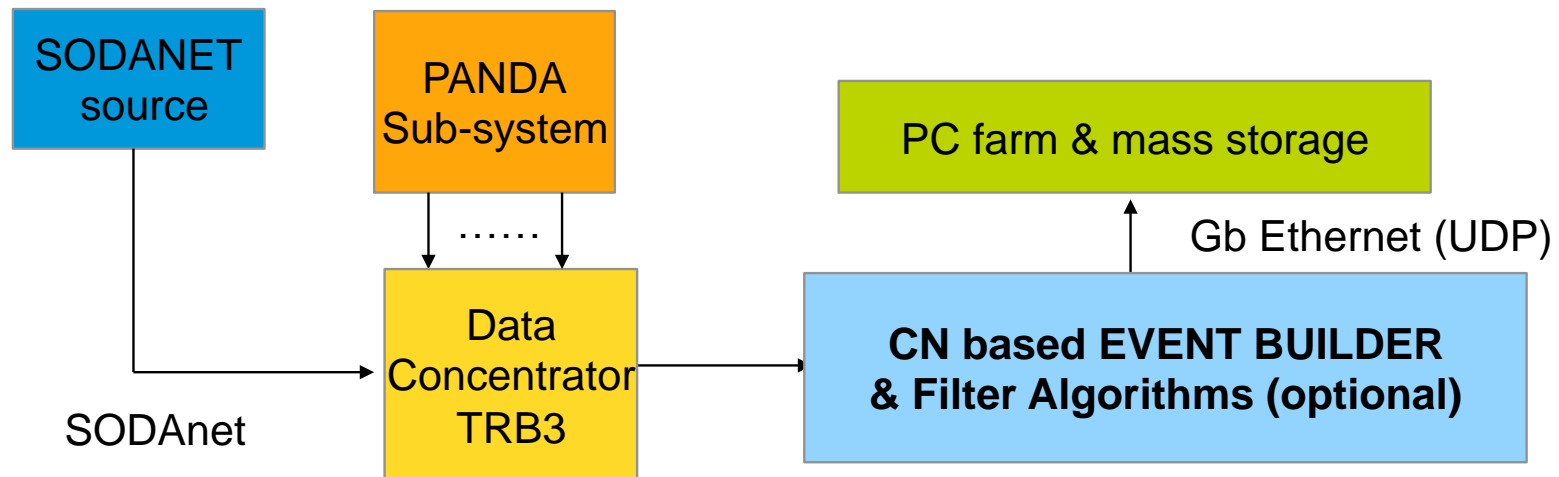


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# Current Activities

- Hardware
  - Move from Virtex 5 to Kintex 7 architecture
  - Set up toy DAQ system with scaled down architecture for detector prototype tests in realistic DAQ environment
    - Freely streaming, FEE feature extraction, event building, high level feature extraction on FPGA, L2 network processing with small farm for final event selection
  - Time-based simulations for full PANDA setup and critical benchmark channels
    - Determine realistic rejection rates at high luminosity
    - Define required bandwidth, computing resources and partitioning for L1/L2 networks
- Crucial input for DAQ TDR

# Initial Setup (Toy DAQ) for Test Beams

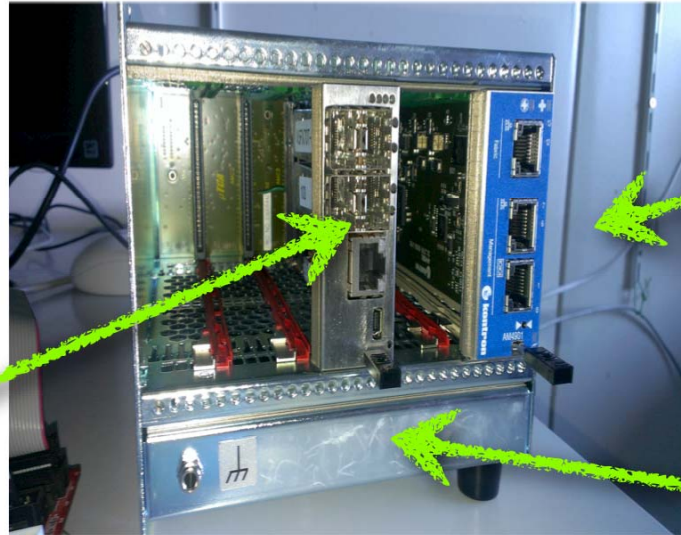


- uTCA shelf with 1 to 4 xFP cards
- Supports up to 9 optical connections to data concentrators
  - Basic configuration with single xFP: 4 optical inputs
  - Extended configuration with 3 xFP for data input and 1 xFP for event building
    - Tracking, EMC shower handling, filtering etc. as an option
- Output rate limited by Gb Ethernet : (< 120 GB / s)
- Basic slow control functionality via Ethernet/EPICS (start/stop DAQ, file handling, event counters etc.)



# Toy DAQ Hardware

Compute Node  
xFP module



Shelf manager  
(networked)

uTCA shelf

- xFP module (building block of ATCA Compute Node)
  - XILINX Virtex 5 70FXT FPGA
  - 4 GB DDR2 Ram
  - 4 optical links (up to 6.5 Gb/s)
  - Gbit Ethernet

