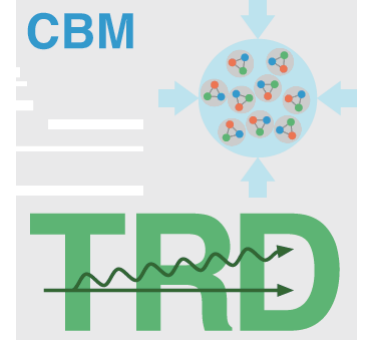


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The CBM Transition Radiation Detector in Principle and First Time-Based Data Analysis

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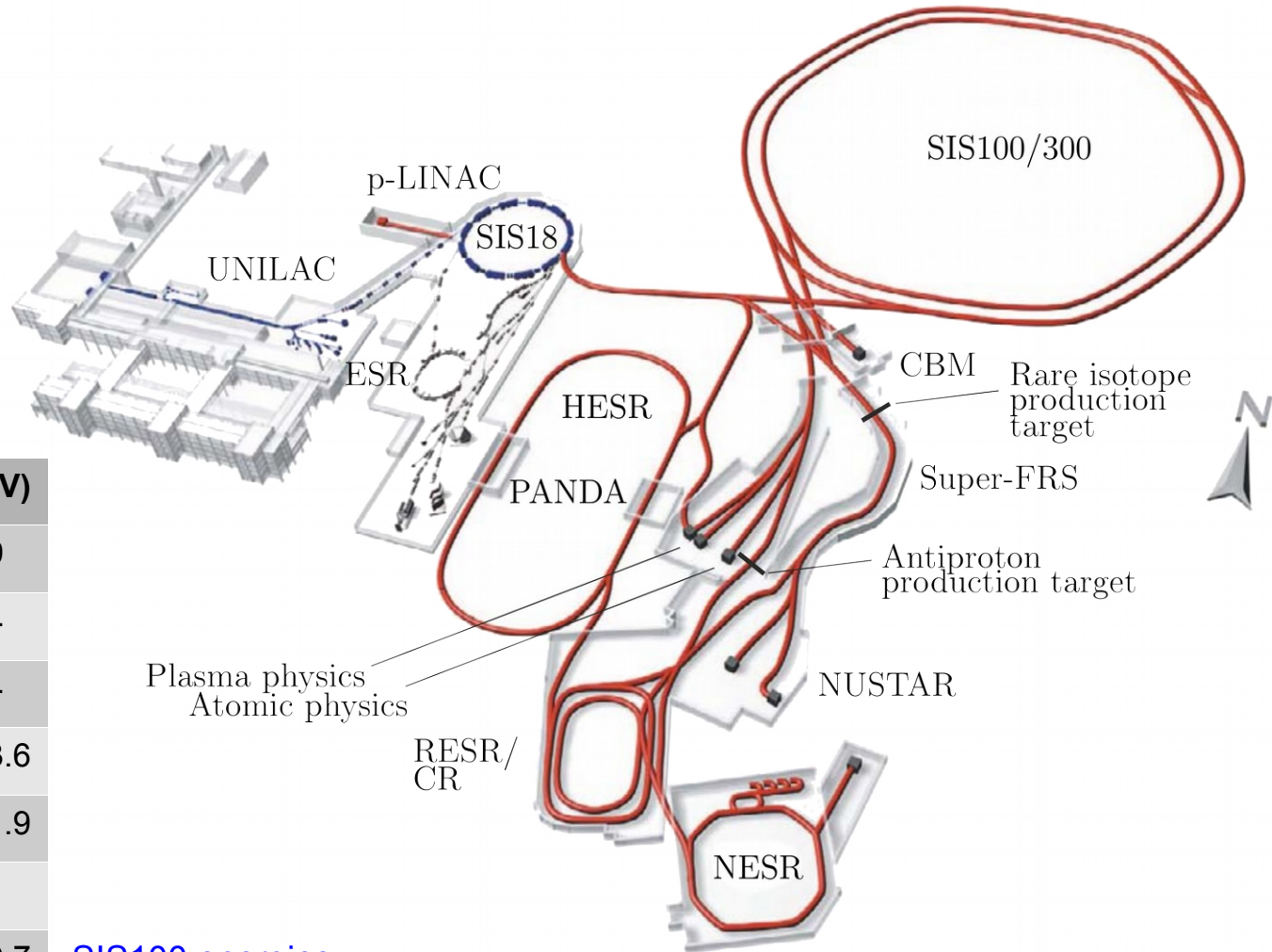


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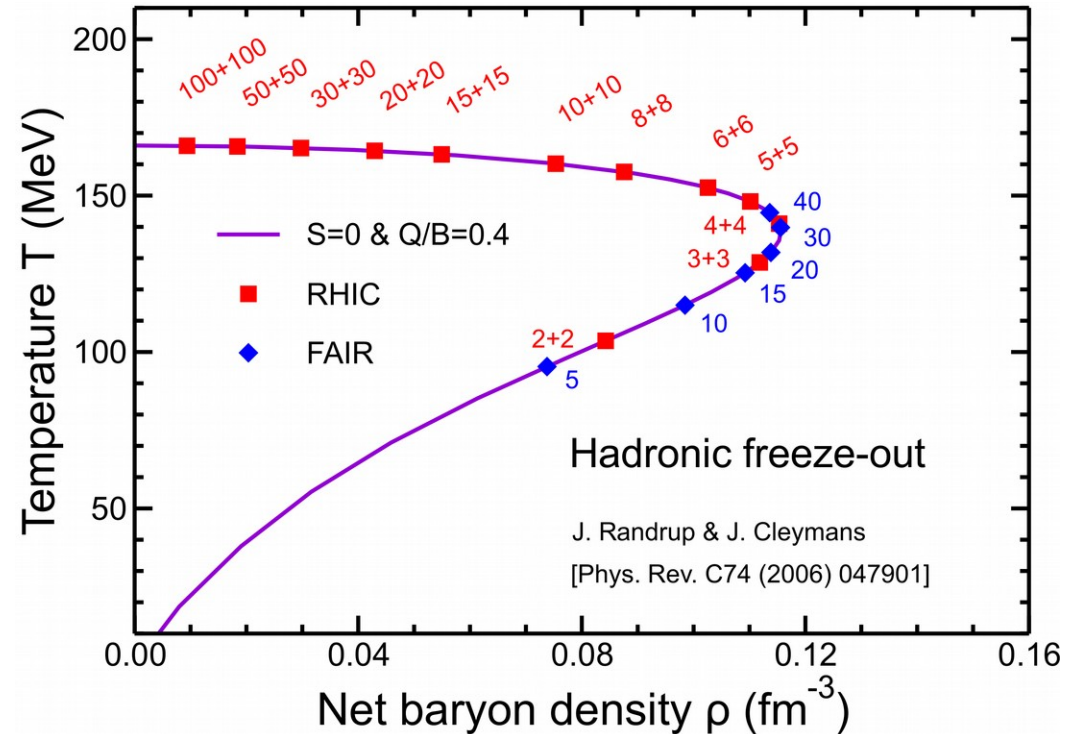
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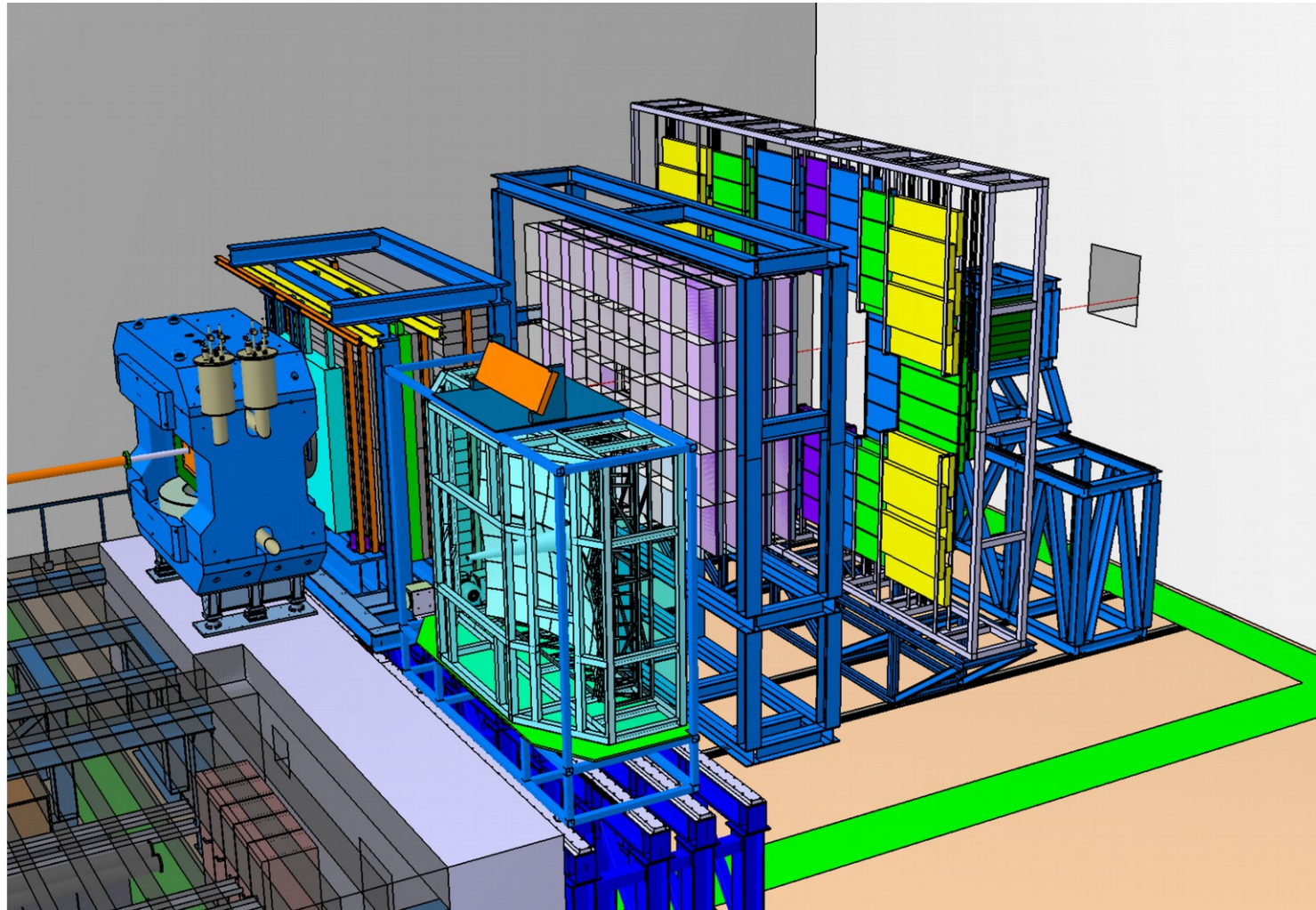
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- MVD+STS
Micro-Vertex
Detector +
Silicon Tracking
Station
magnetic field
- MUCH or RICH
MuonChambers/
Ring imaging
Cherenkov
Detector
- TRD
Transition
Radiation Detector
- TOF
Time Of Flight
- PSD
Projectile Spectator
Detector



- Physics objectives

- Intermediate mass di-leptons ... continuum from thermal sources (1...3 GeV)
- Fragments ... hyper- and anti-nuclei
- Quarkonia ... are probes for deconfined matter
- Low mass vector mesons ... medium-modified spectra
- Direct Photons ... inverse slope fits as thermometer

- Design considerations

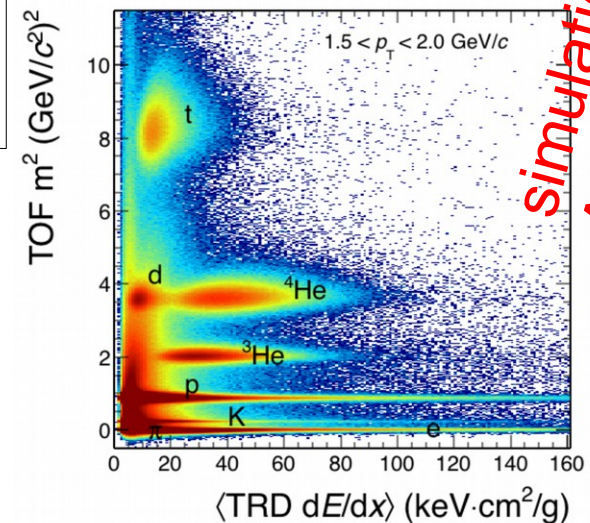
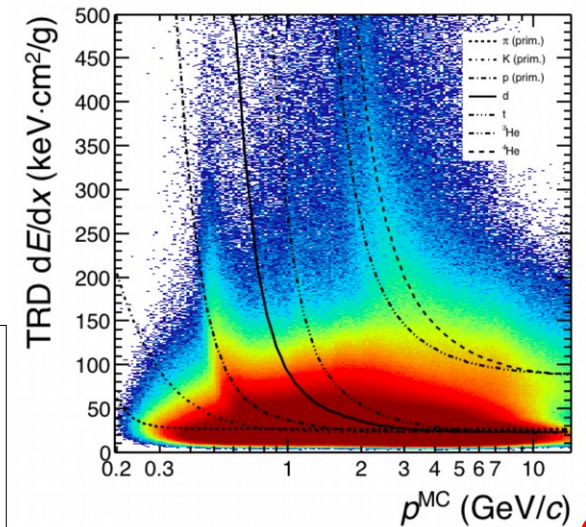
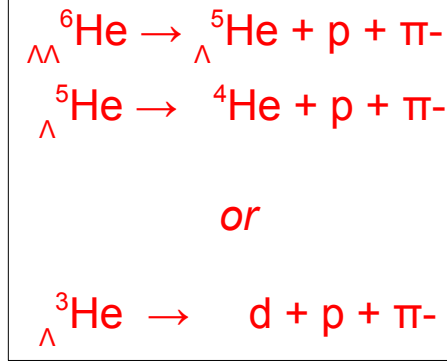
- Pion rejection capability ... pion suppression up to 50 and 10^4 with RICH
- (Charged) Particle identification ... dE/dx resolution below 30%
- Tracking capabilities ... track resolution below 300 μm (pad granularity)
- High interaction rates ... optimised: 5×10^6 Hz & realistic multiplicities
- Tracking of muons ... high track matching with the MUCH

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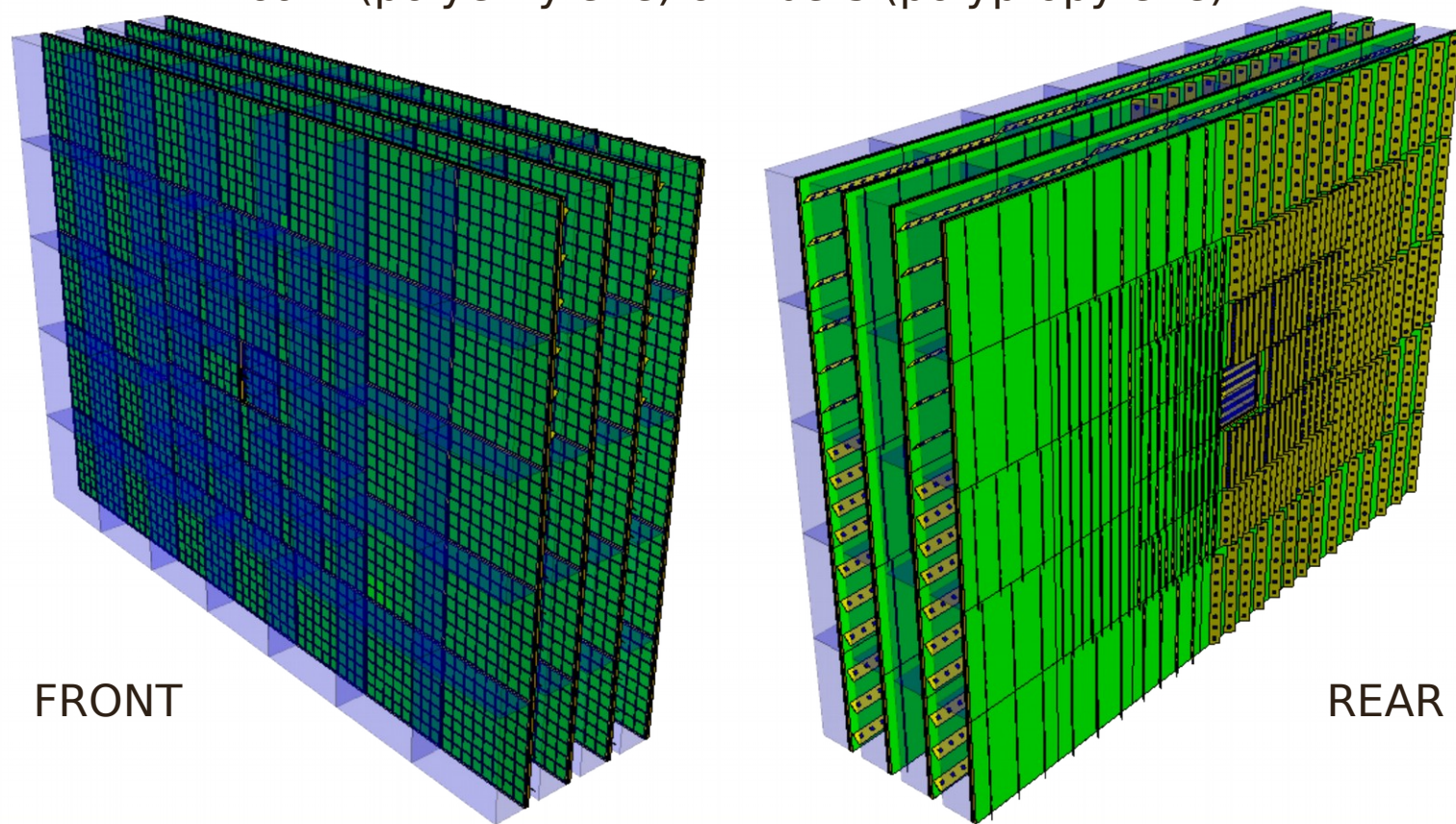
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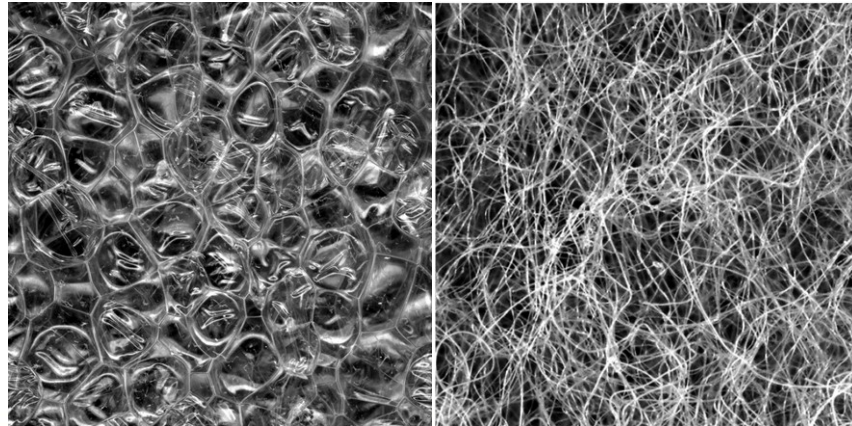
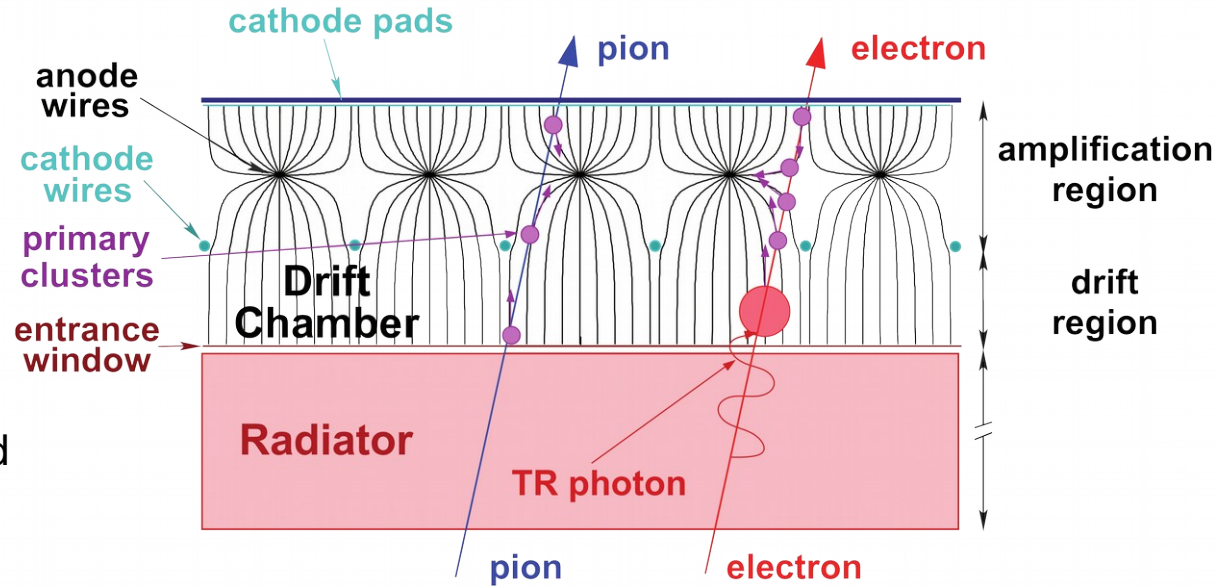
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- TRD in total:
 - 4 Layers with 2 chamber sizes (central regions: higher rates)
 - Plus radiator: irregular type, encapsulated or free-hanging, foam (polyethylene) or fibers (polypropylene)



- TRD in principle:
 - Multi-wire proportional chamber-based
 - Transition radiation emitted at ϵ -transitions
 - Intensity of TR is $\sim \gamma$ (idealised)
 - e/n-sep. e.g. by likelihood
- Regular and irregular radiators: foil, foam, fibers



Transition radiation at one ϵ -interface:

$$\left(\frac{d^2 N}{d\omega d\vartheta} \right)_{\text{interface}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \cdot \left(\frac{\vartheta}{\gamma^{-2} + \vartheta^2 + (\omega_{P,1}/\omega)^2} - \frac{\vartheta}{\gamma^{-2} + \vartheta^2 + (\omega_{P,2}/\omega)^2} \right)^2$$

ω : photon frequency

$\omega_{P,i}$: plasma frequency of material i

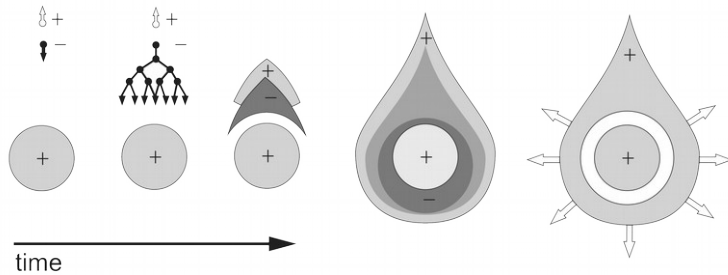
α : fine structure constant

ϑ : emission wrt. particle motion

γ : Lorentz factor

Development in progress

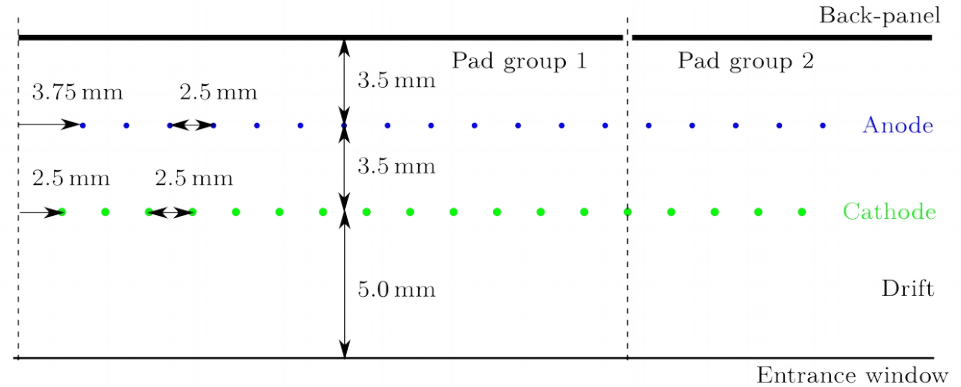
- High-voltage wire geometries in comparison: different prototypes
- Proportional chamber: rate limits



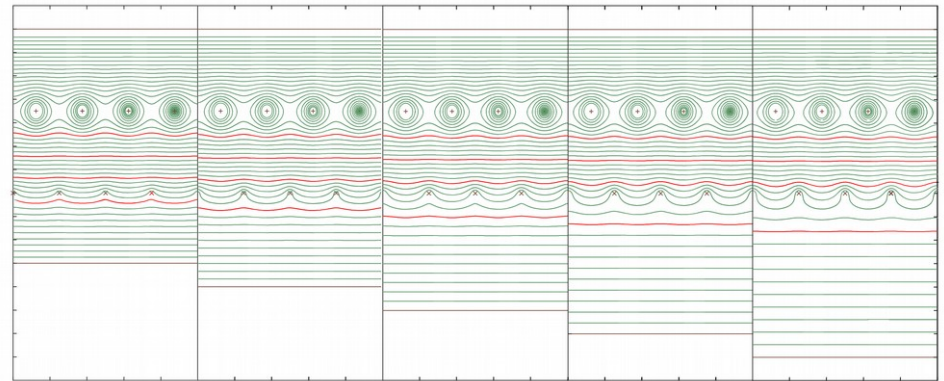
from F. Sauli, CERN lectures 1977

→ short ion drifts (3.5+5 mm)

- Special conditions: flexible cathode (entrance window)



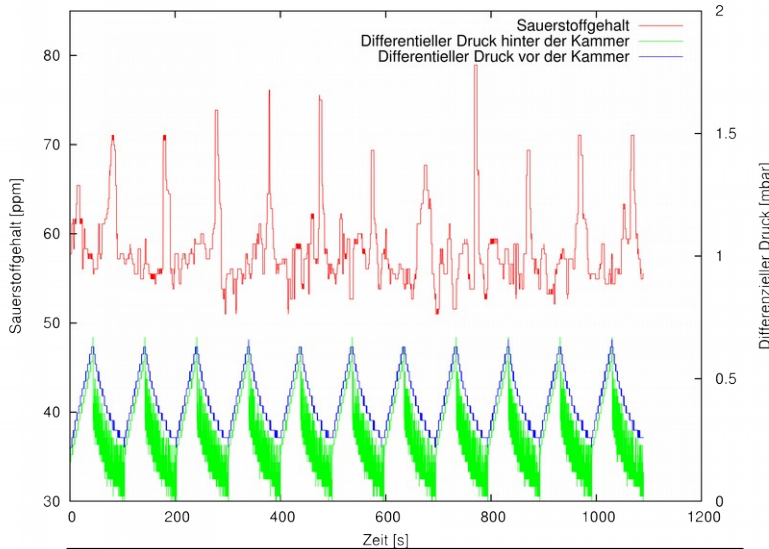
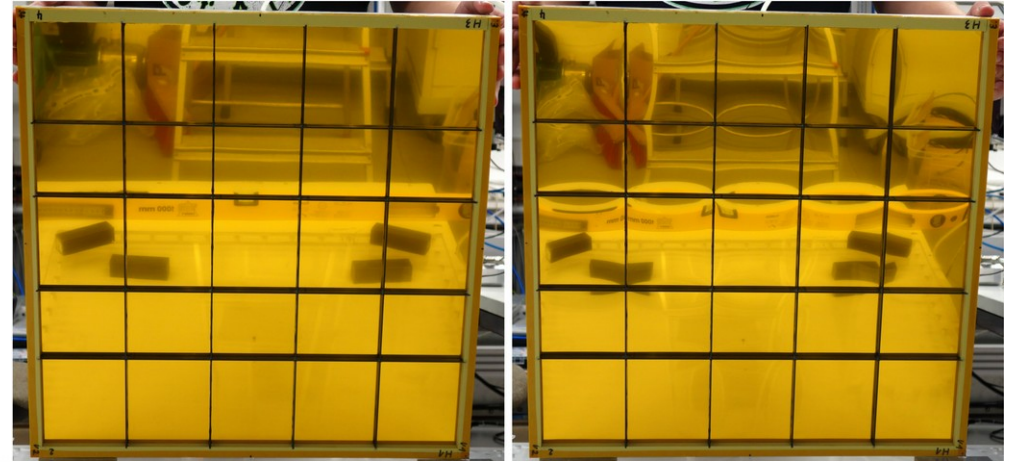
Favoured Anode+Drift HV geometry



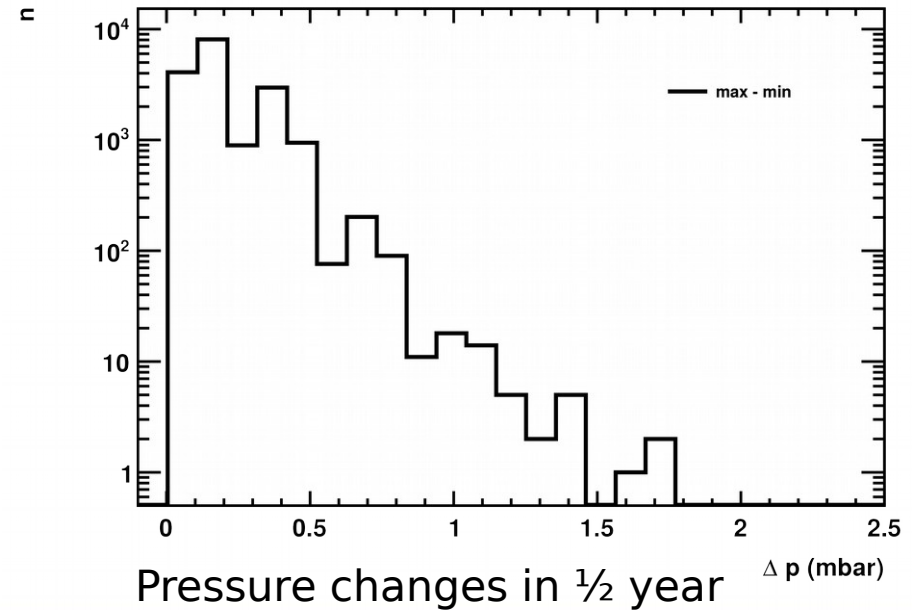
Example: Field distortion by entrance window stretching (Garfield sim.)

Development in progress

- Atmospheric pressure changes stress the entrance window
- Implied: Requirements to the gas system
- Lab-simulated pressure changes
- Result: window succeeded test

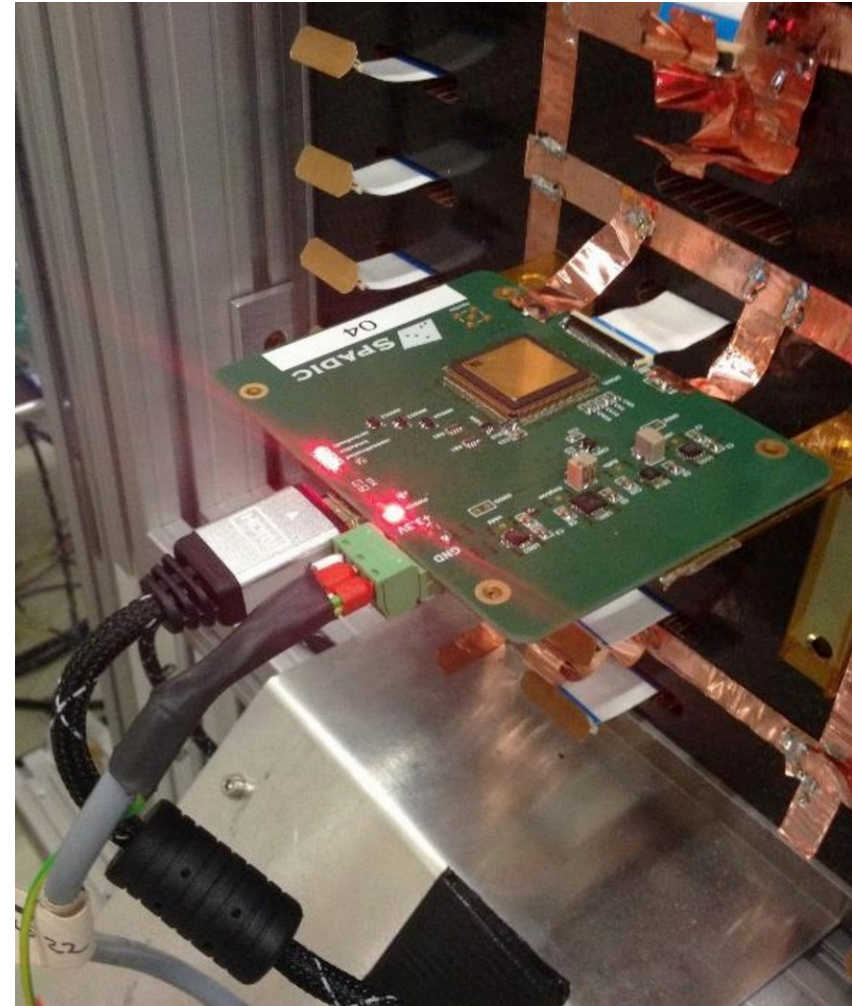


from Felix Fidorra, Bachelor th.

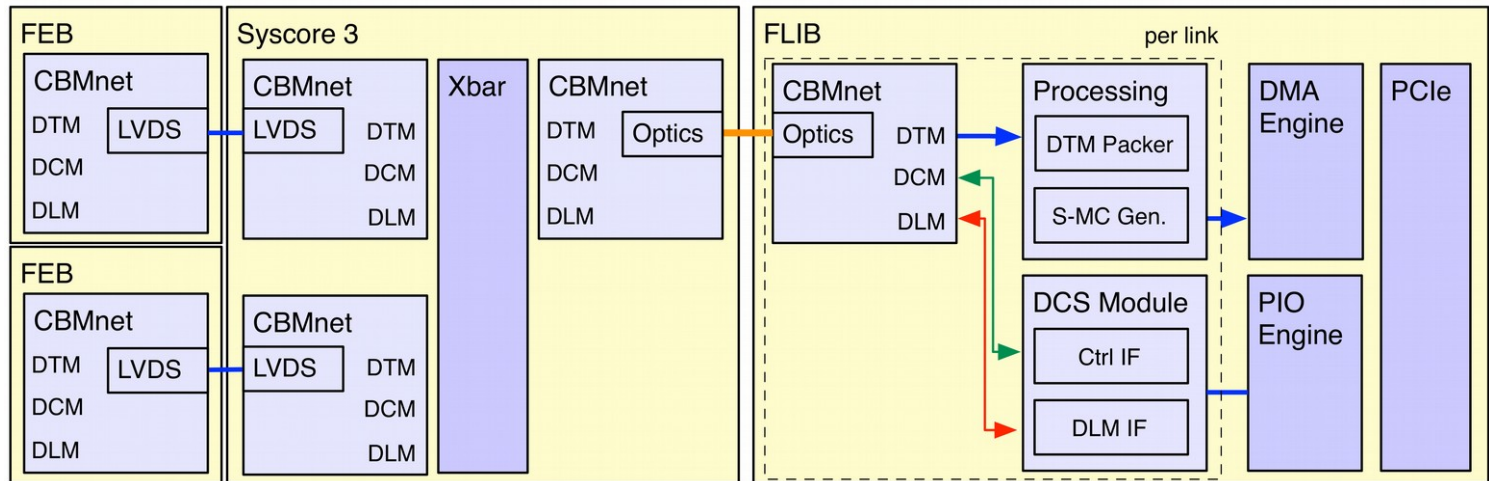


- Readout of the granular cathode pads with the Self-triggered Pulse Amplification and Digitization ASIC
- Charge-sensitive amplifier on 32 channels
- Free-streaming
- Digitising 32 samples, $1.28 \mu\text{s}$ each
- Neighbour readout to enable good sensitivity using high trigger thresholds
- Digital filter implemented: time shortening by tail cancellation

- **Ongoing development**

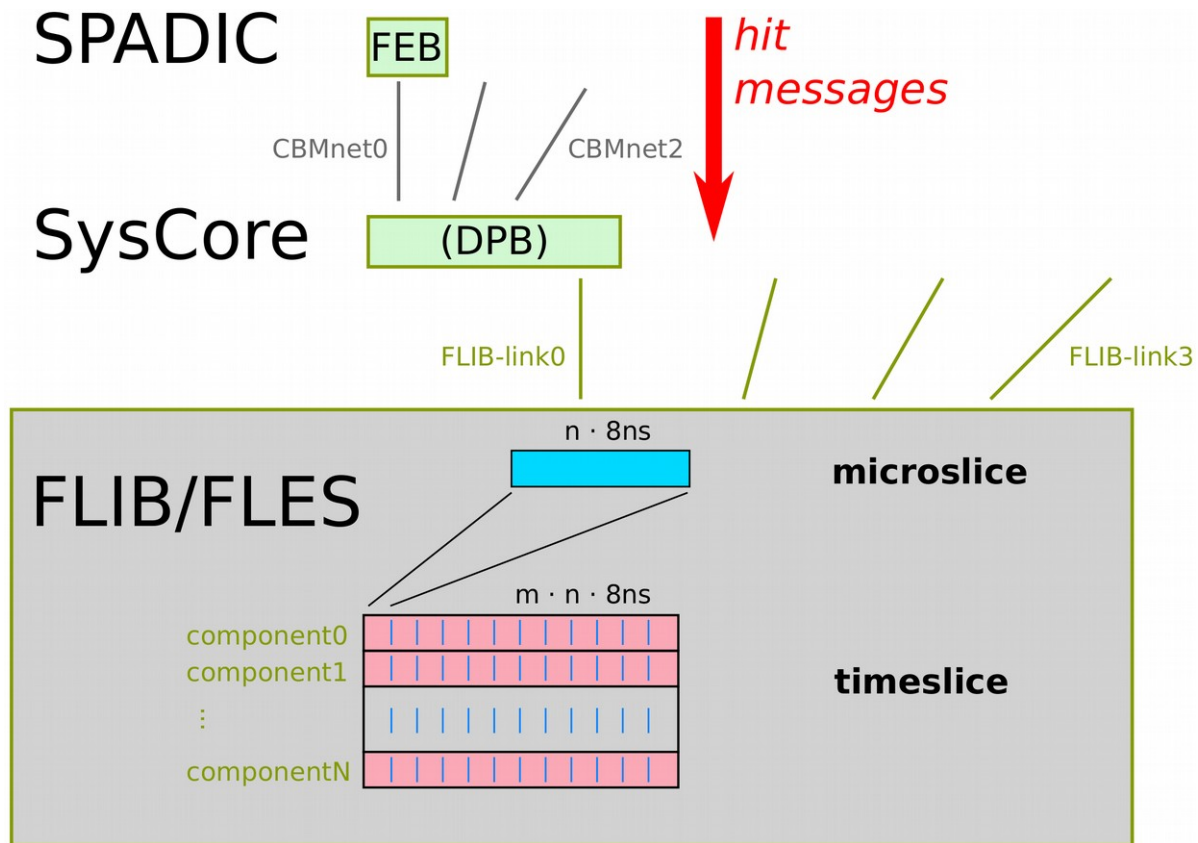


- Front end board: SPADIC
- SysCore boards streaming hit messages of 6 SPADICs to PC port
- First Level Event Selector processing messages into container format

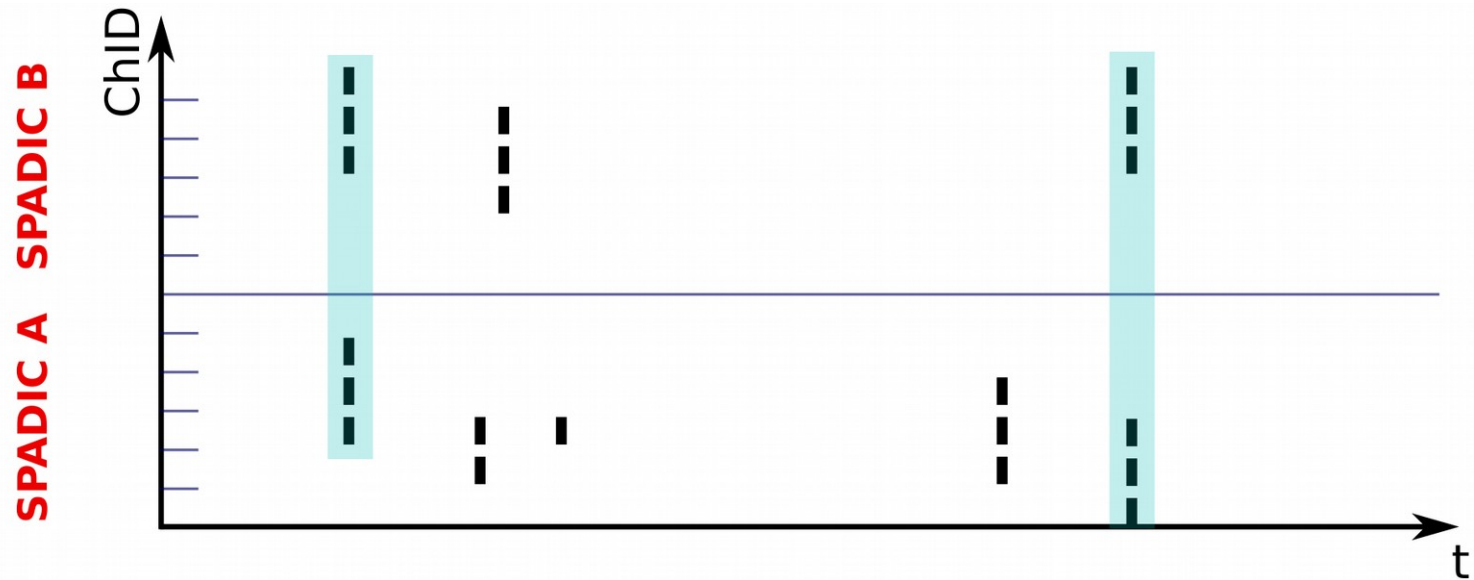


scheme from Dirk Hutter,
23rd CBM Coll. meeting

- Principle allows various microslice sources
- Ringbuffer minimize memory consumption, maximise throughput
- the SPADIC-unpacker *extracts hit messages* from the timeslices again
- **full-time calculation currently in improvement**



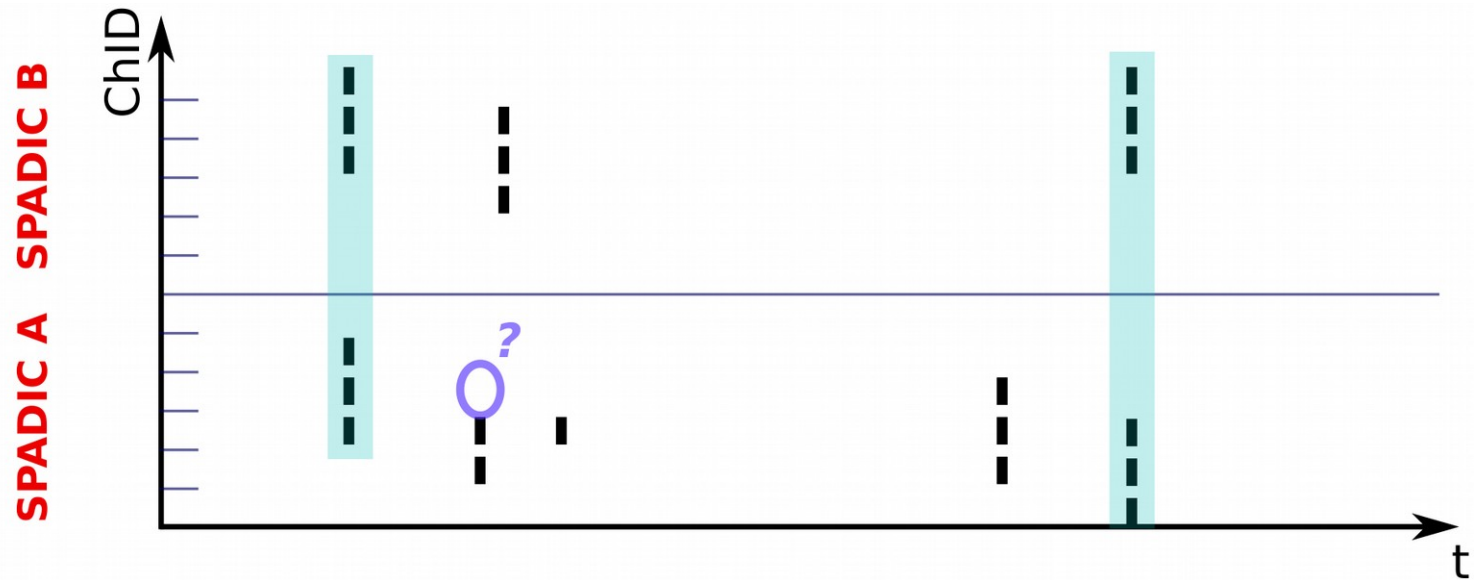
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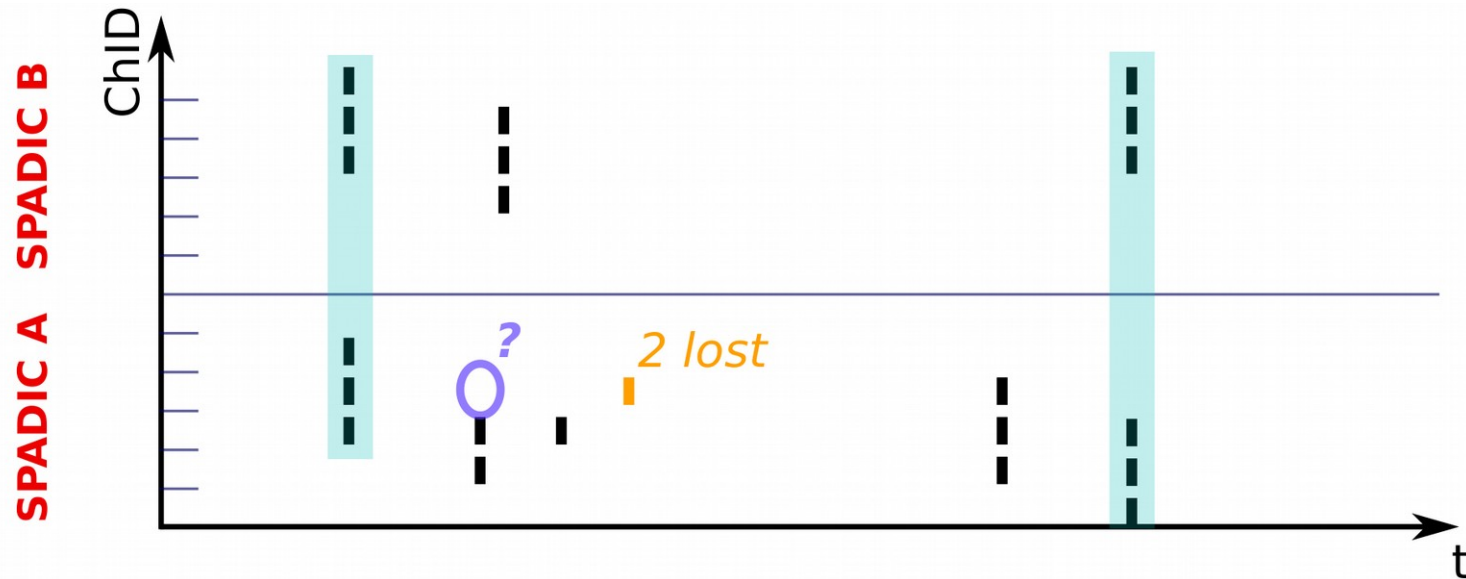
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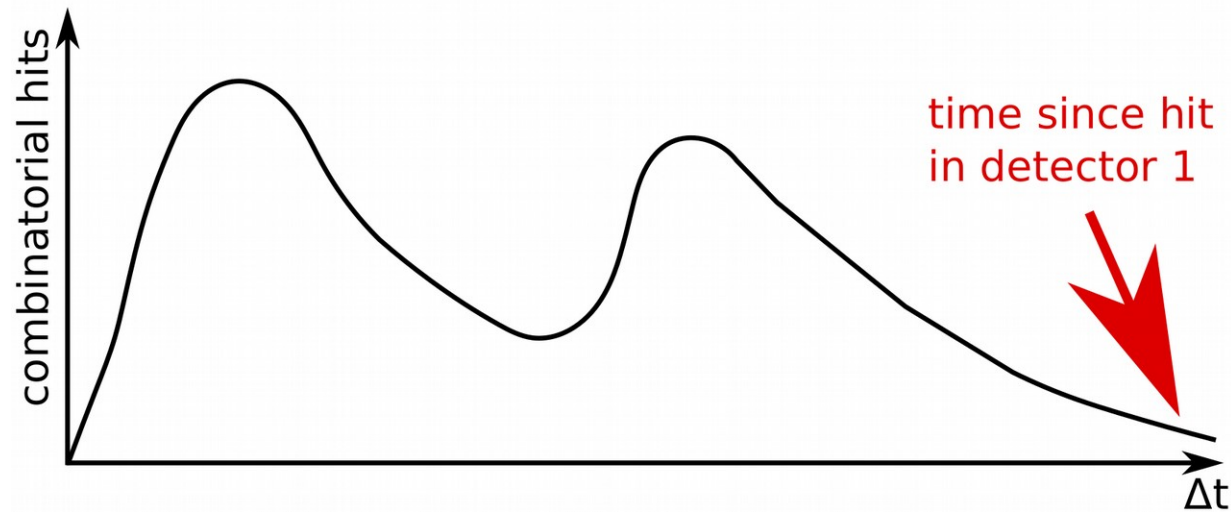
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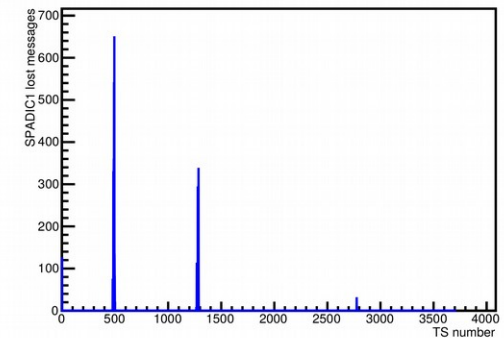
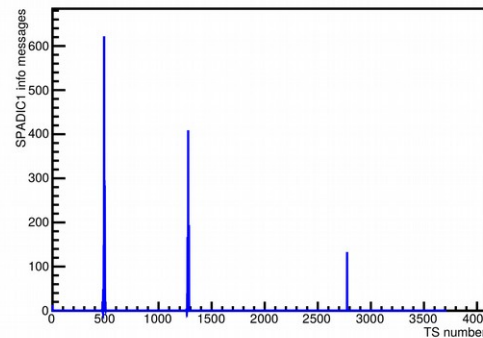
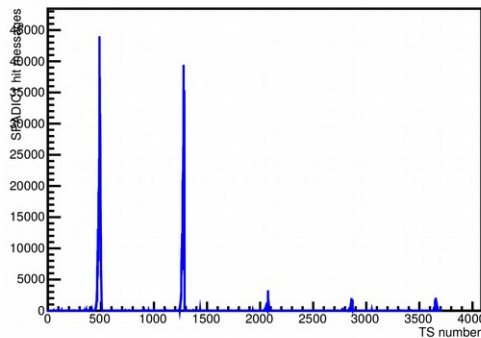
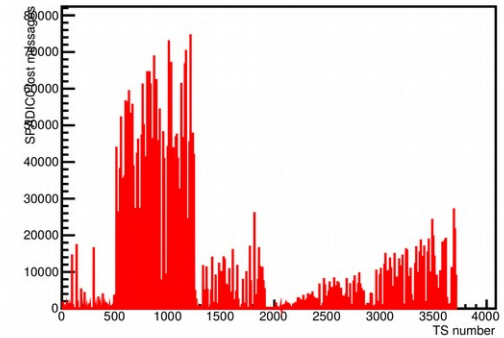
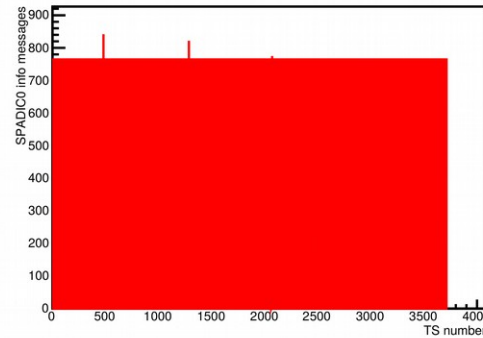
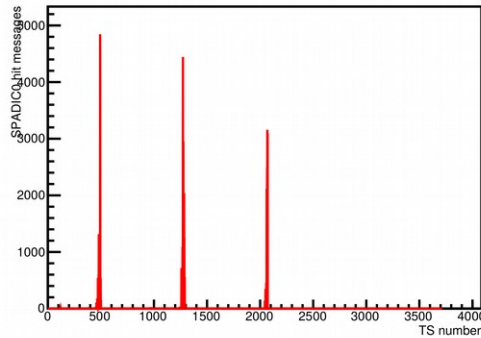
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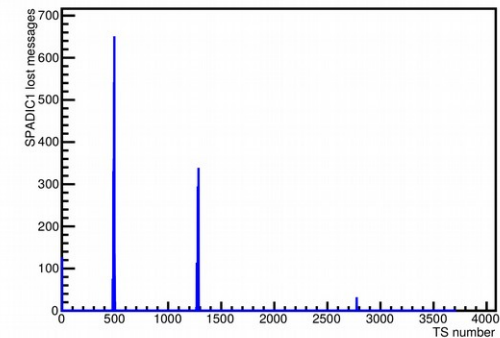
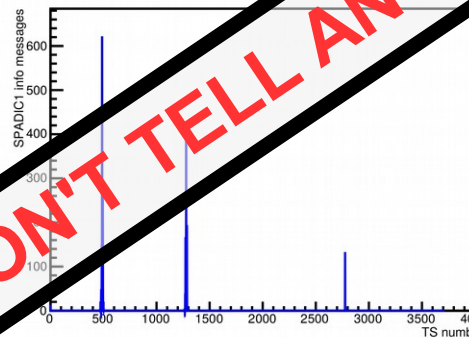
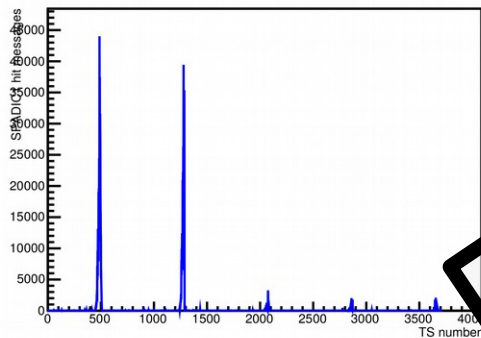
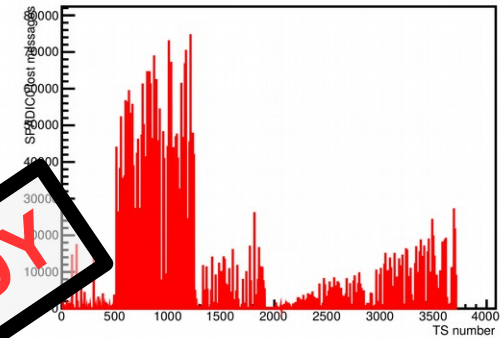
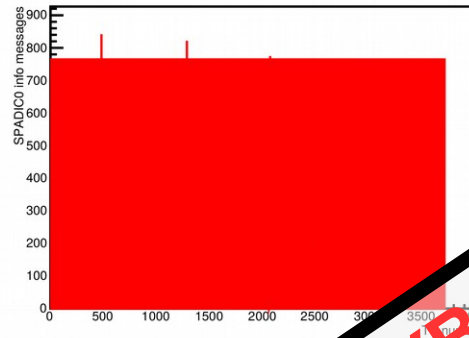
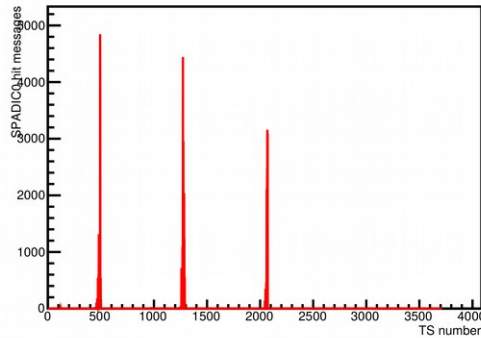
Starts of Data Analysis: SPS 2015 Beamtime

- Self-triggered experiment: common beamtimes wished!
- Beamtime with the CBM-TOF detector at the CERN-SPS, Nov. 2015
- Pb 30 AGeV beam on Pb target
- SPADIC readout on 3 diff. prototypes
- High rates:
 - SPADIC rate capabilities
 - HV-currents recorded with 2.5 Hz



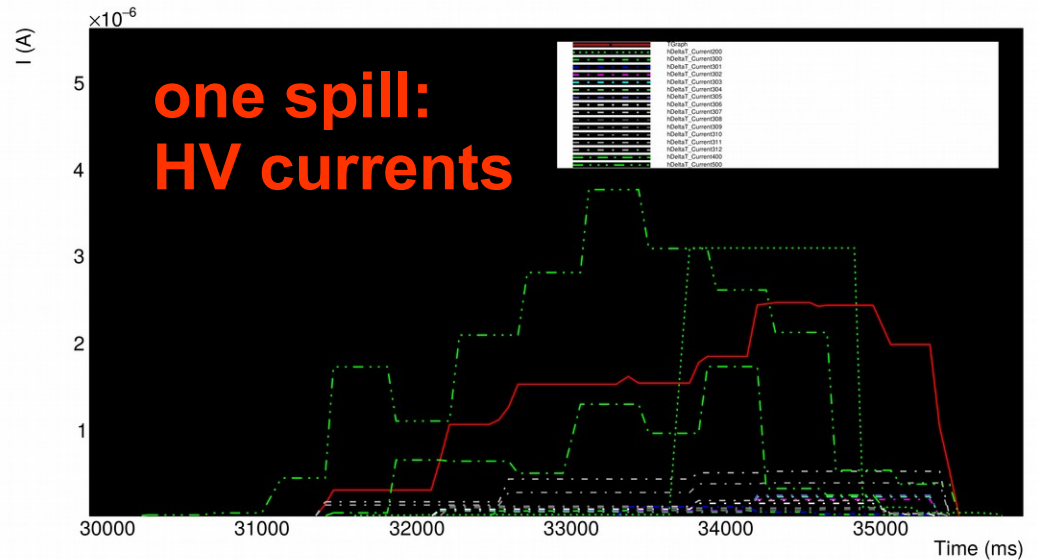
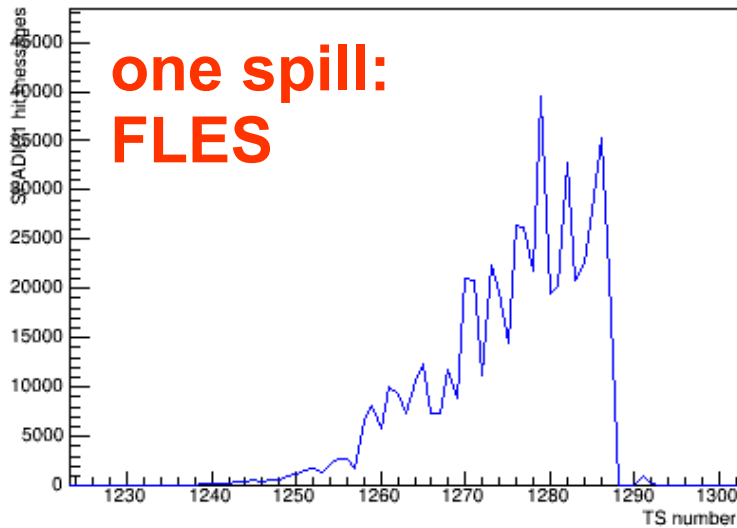


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- Next local steps:
 - Full-time reconstruction from SPADIC messages
 - Establish spatial and time correlation for the TRD
 - Optimise SPADIC settings for high rate capabilities
 - Systematically analyse HV behaviour
- And more global:
 - Production of 4 large-sized prototypes
 - Release + test of the SPADIC 1.1 chip

→ Fully equipped beamtime measurements with large acceptance (improved correlation)