

Status of the B-TOF at Panda

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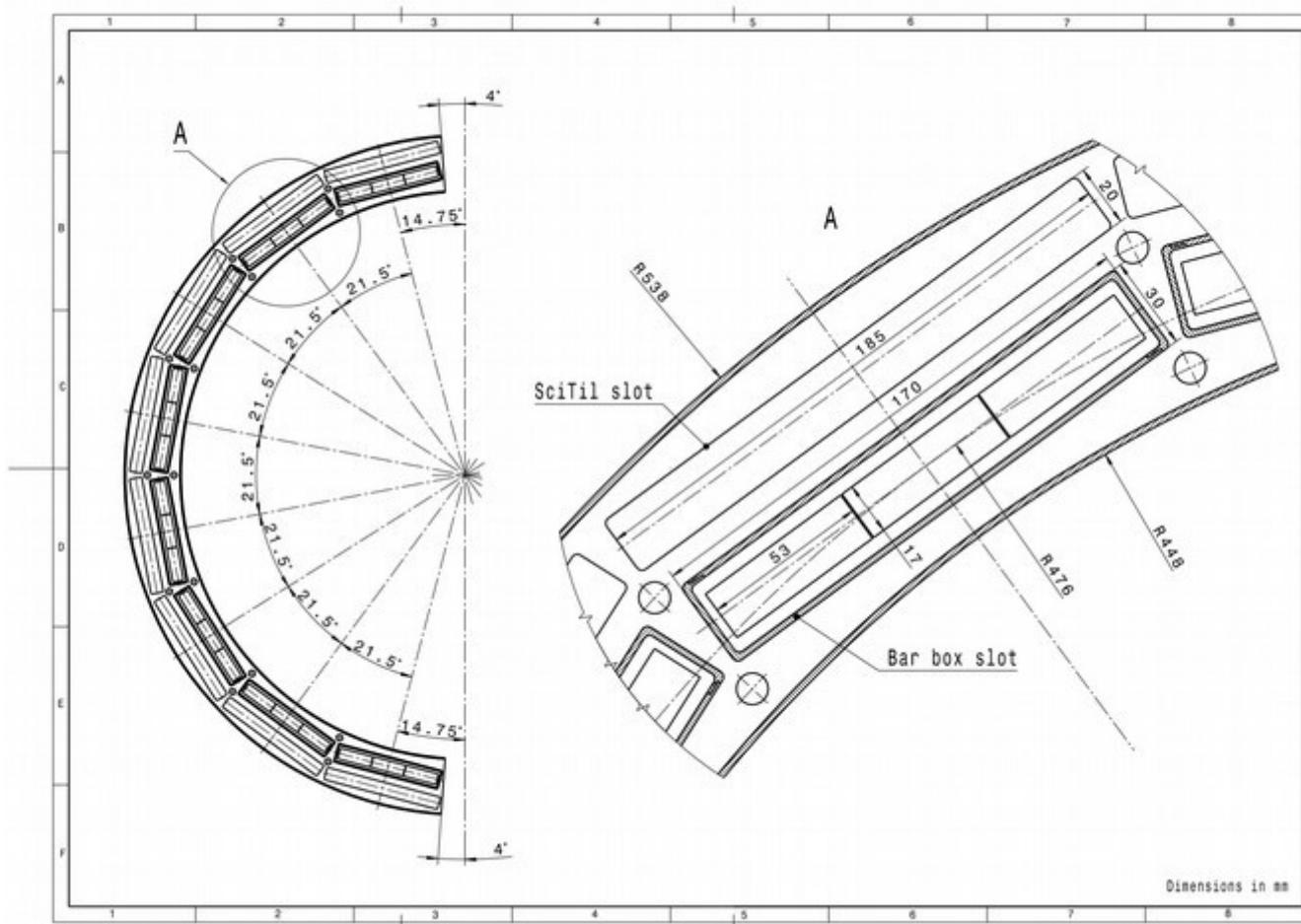
Current Status

- Scintillator performance tested
 - Electron source → 50 ps time resolution
- The **TDR** was approved (2018)
- **2 versions** of the backbone PCB (the **Railboard**) have been tested
 - Potential publication
- A **new board** will be ordered shortly
 - This includes a **redesign** of the B-TOF holding structure
- **2018 parasitic beamtime** is currently **being analyzed**

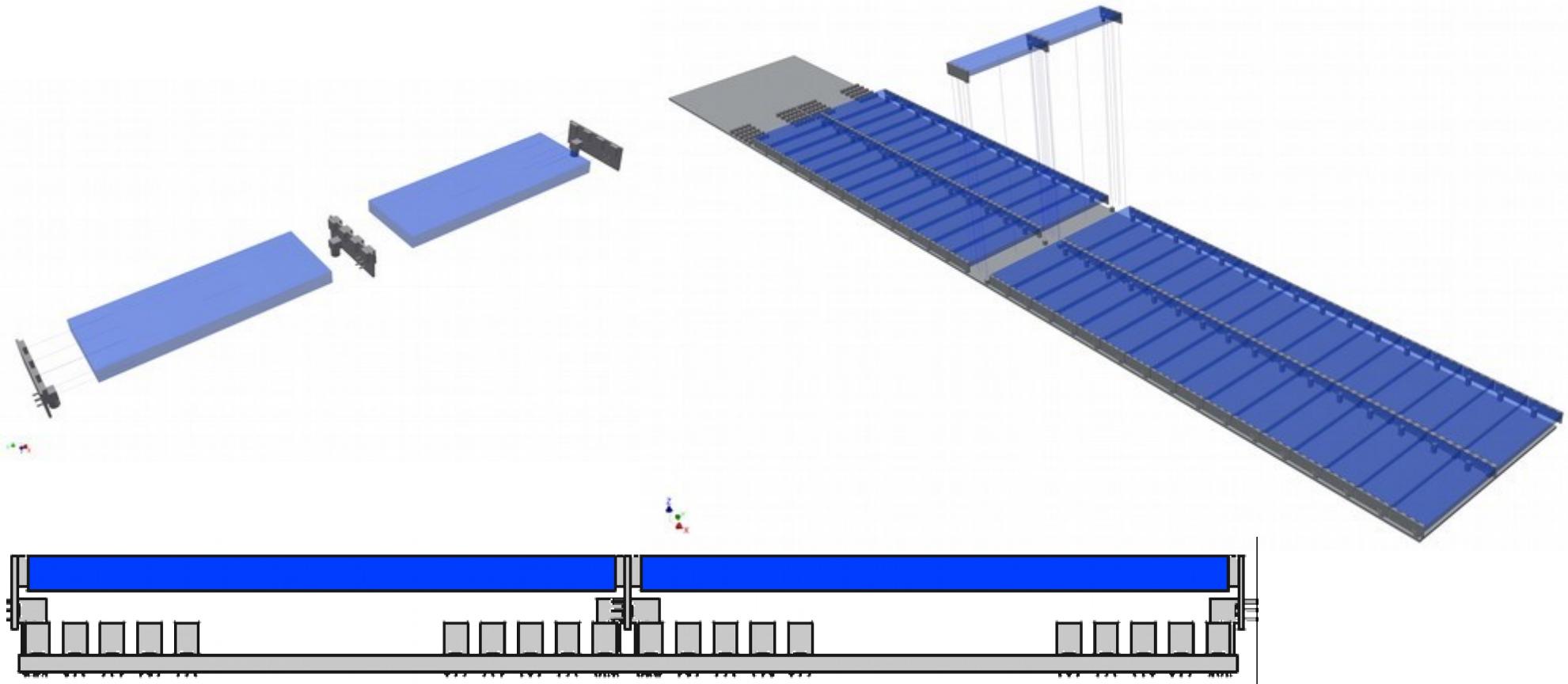
The New Railboard

- We found companies which theoretically could produce > 1800 mm boards
 - Thales PCB
 - CERN Micro-Pattern Technologies
- With certain material limitations however
- Low loss PCB material (eg. Rogers 4000 series) has a limited size
 - Boards have to be split into 2 or 3 parts due to material availability
- Current plan:
 - Use low loss material Rogers 4003C
 - Split the sensitive part of the detector into two parts and four boards
 - Combine them using connecting cables
 - Splitting the FEE side of the PCB is no issue, since the ASICs need to interface somehow anyway
 - Low loss material has less rigidity than FR4
 - Additional holding structures necessary

Limitations / Requirements

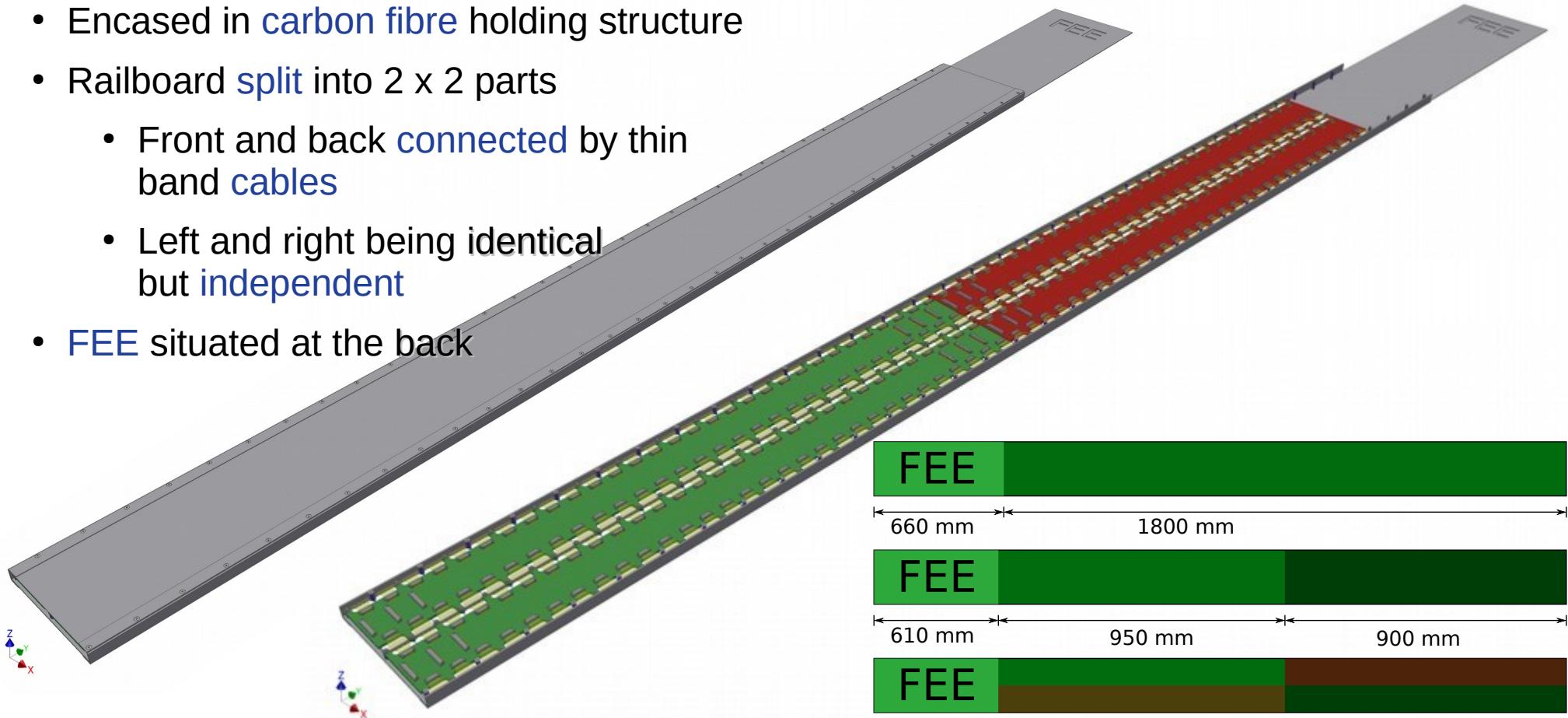


Old Supermodule

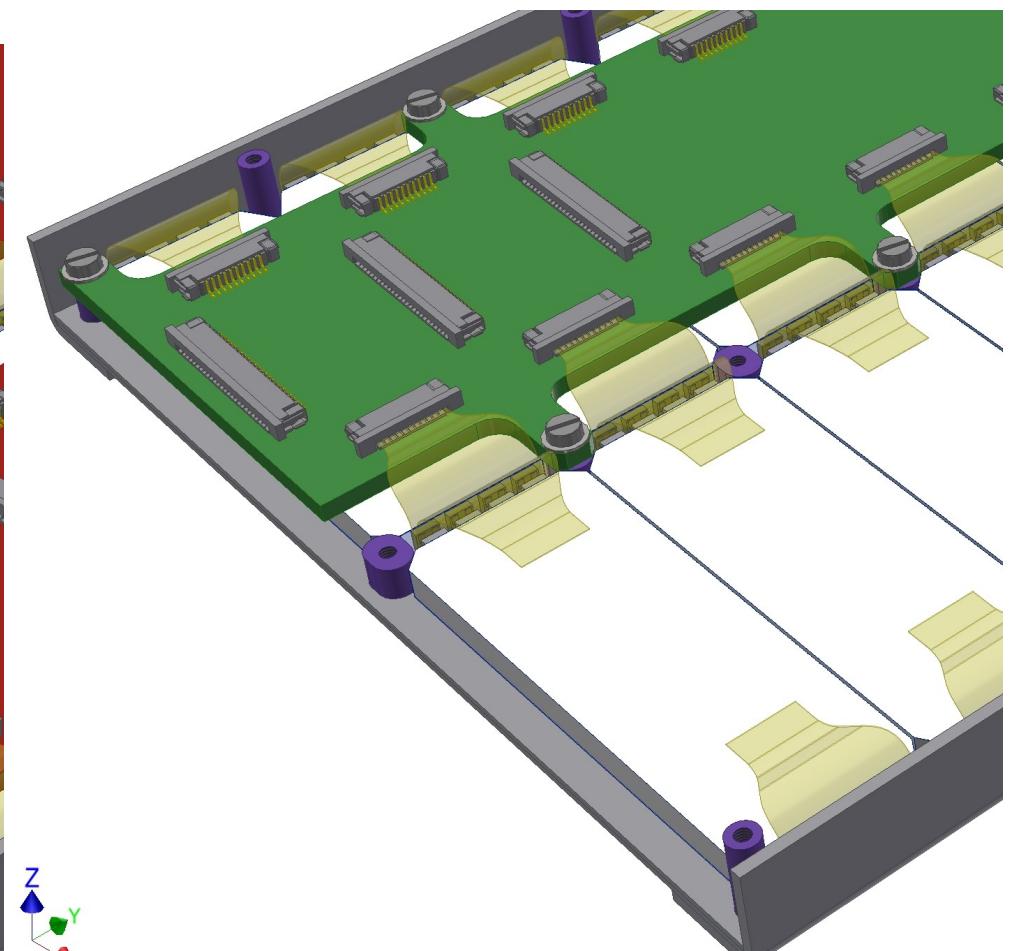
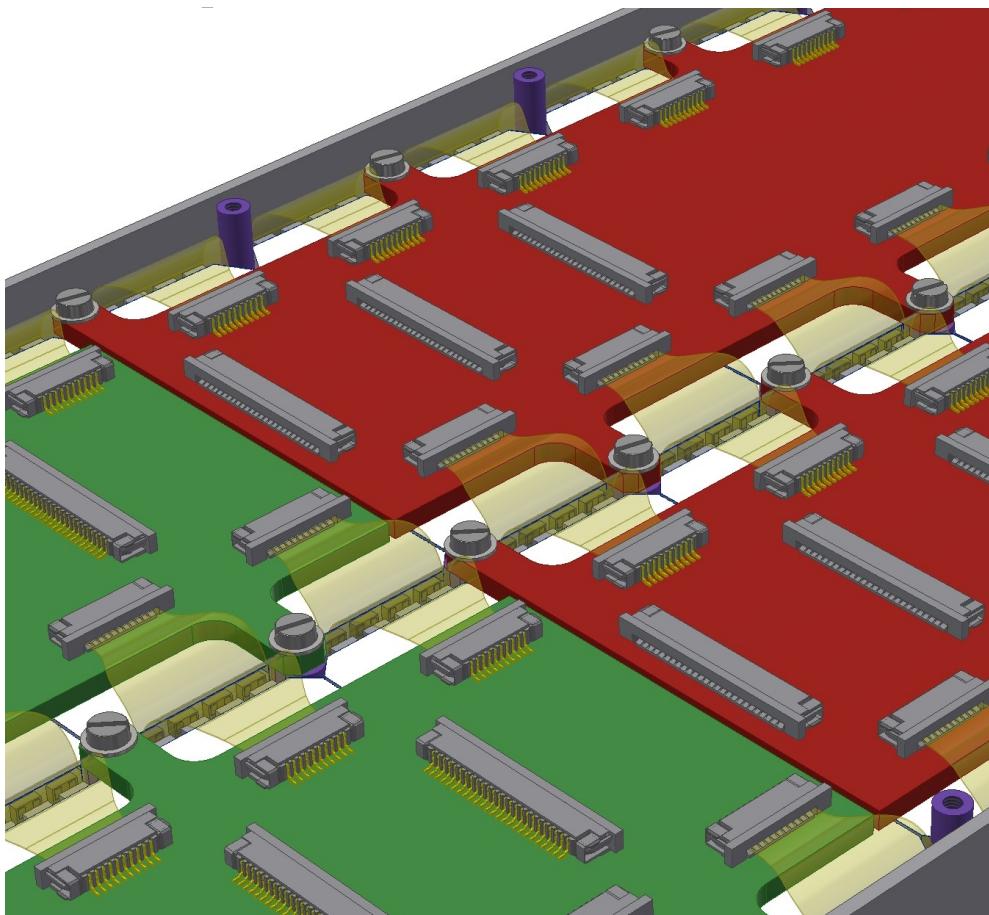


New Supermodule Design

- Encased in **carbon fibre** holding structure
- Railboard **split** into 2 x 2 parts
 - Front and back **connected** by thin band **cables**
 - Left and right being identical but **independent**
- **FEE** situated at the back

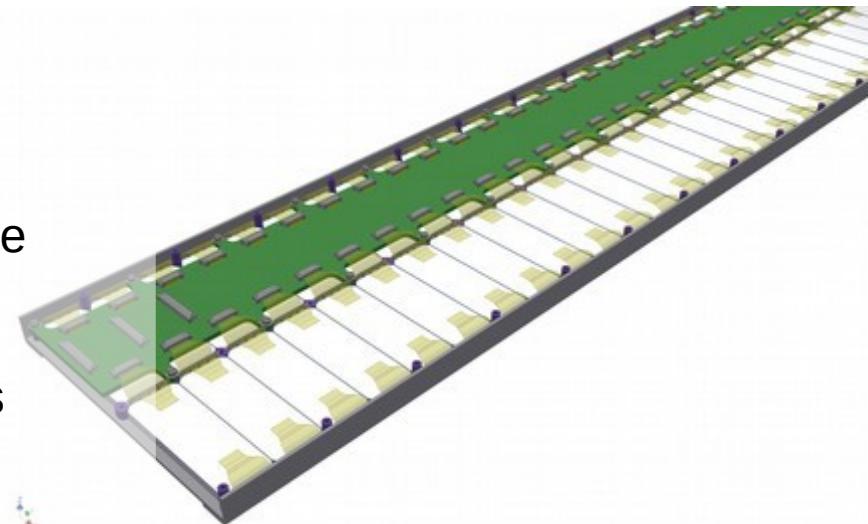


Scintillator holding & Railboard connection

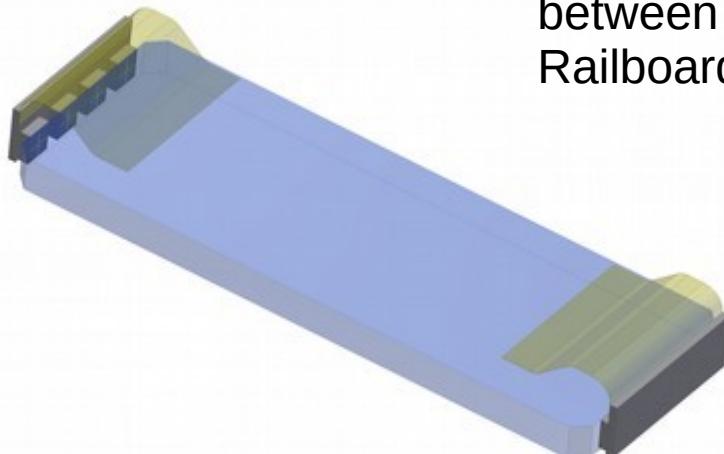


Back plane & Scintillators

- **Vented** back plate to reduce material budget
- **Holding pins** to constrict scintillator and hold screws which fasten the Railboard
- **Scintillator** sandwiched in between the carbon fibre and the Railboard

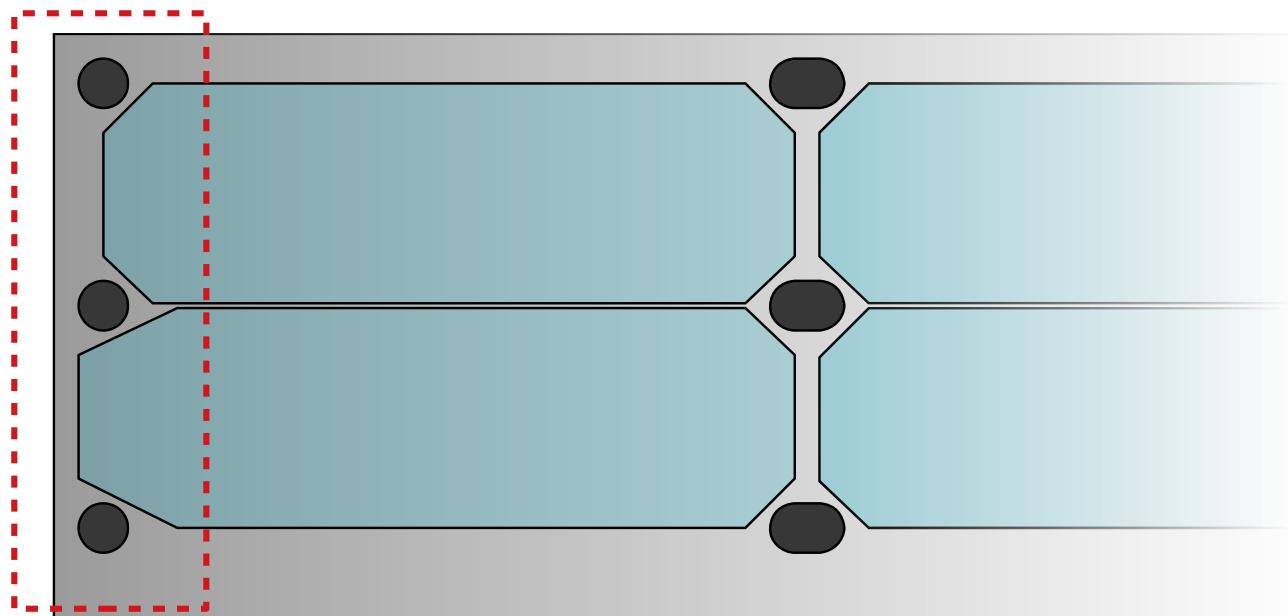


- **tapered edges** to fit holding slots
- **Glued SiPMs** on scintillator
- Flex cable to Railboard



Scintillator Taper

- Two ways to **taper** the scintillators
 - **Symmetric** on both sides
 - Increase angle on one side to achieve a **larger scintillator coverage**

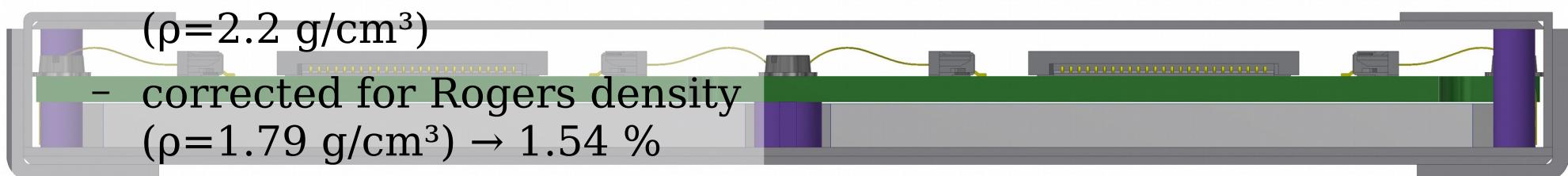


Material Budget

- 3 x 1 mm carbon fibre layers
- 5 mm Scintillator
 - Considered as homogeneous plate, replacing plastic screws and bumper
- 3 mm PCB (hydro-carbon ceramic/Rogersmaterial RO4003C)
 - Estimation done with PTFE ($\rho=2.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$)
 - corrected for Rogers density ($\rho=1.79 \text{ g/cm}^3$) $\rightarrow 1.54 \%$
- Material Budget:

| Material | Carbon fibre | Rogers | Copper | Scintillator | SiPMs |
|----------|--------------|--------|--------|--------------|-------|
| X/X_0 | 1.21 % | 1.54 % | 1.07 % | 1.2 % | 0.1 % |

• Total = 5.09 %



Advantages / Disadvantages

- Sensitivity to single part tolerances is reduced
- Scintillators are held firmly in place from all angles without putting pressure on the wrapping
- SiPM-Scintillator joint does not carry any weight
 - Leads to a longer lifetime of that connection
- All parts modular and easily swappable
- Material budget is higher than anticipated ($X/X_0 \sim 5\%$)
- More parts for assembly
- Specialized carbon fibre production is expensive

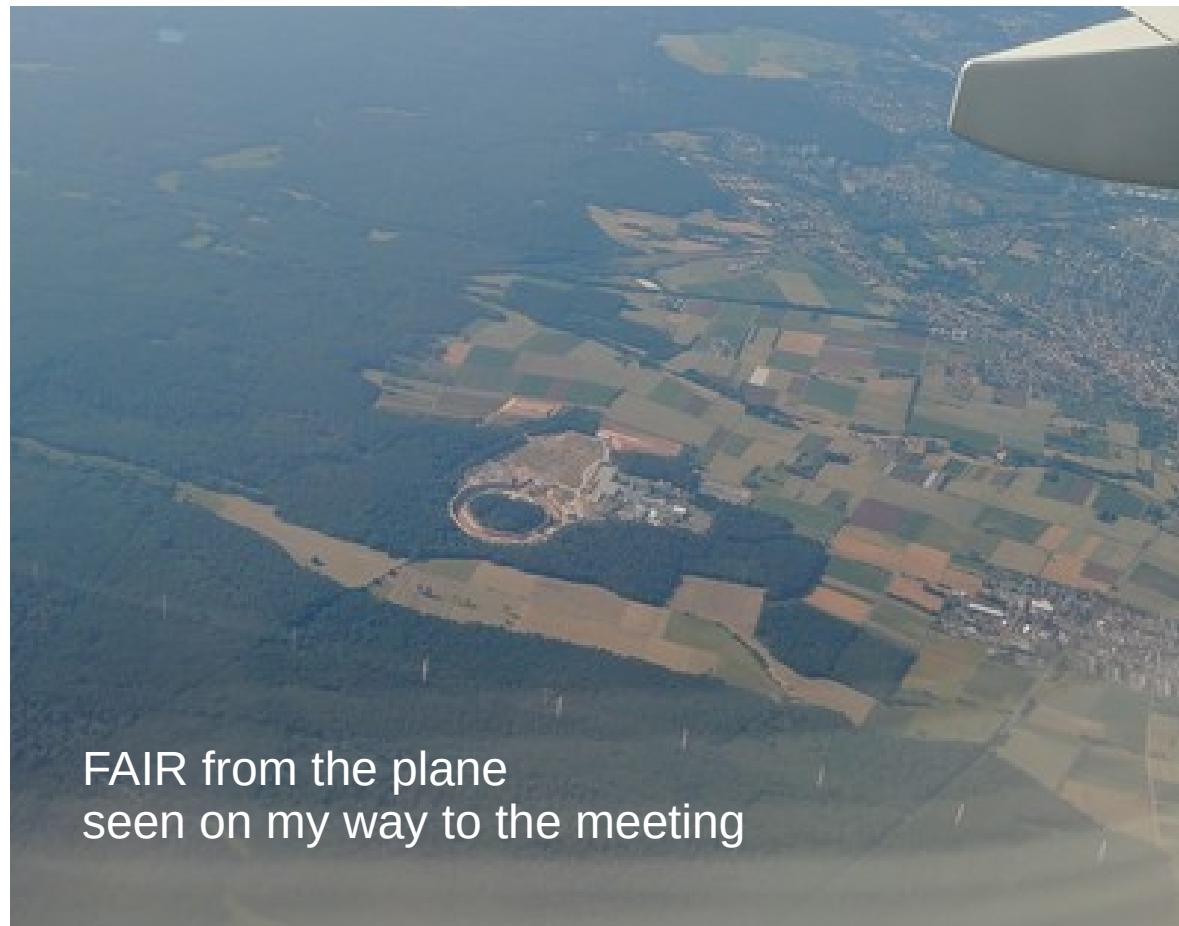
Supermodule Design Comparison

- Old design:
 - Scintillators held by glue to the SiPMs
 - SiPMs soldered to sensor board
 - Sensor board connects to railboard and held by MMCX connectors
 - Railboard acts as backbone
- New Design:
 - Scintillator still glued to SiPMs but held by support structure
 - SiPMs soldered to sensor board
 - Sensor board connects via flex PCB to Railboard, held by screws
 - Railboards are reduced and additional support structure (carbon) added, sandwiching the scintillators

Open Projects

- Integration of temperature sensors
- LED calibration System
- Readout electronics:
 - Get commercial version up and running
 - redesign / restructure commercial boards
 - Disc DIRC Group in Gießen is working with the same boards and have similar requirements
- Evaluation of updated Railboard
- Full assembly of (partial) system

Thank you for your attention



FAIR from the plane
seen on my way to the meeting