

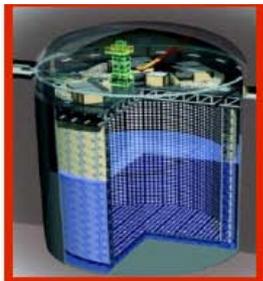
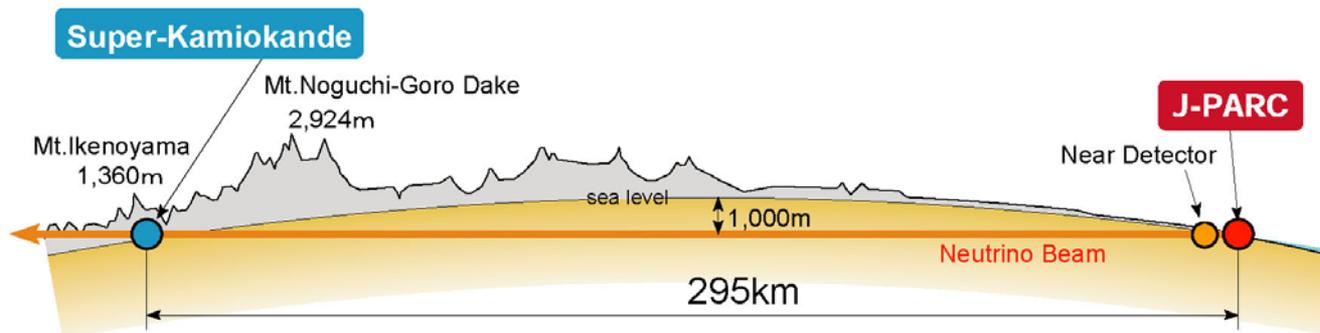


# T2K Near Detector Upgrade

Thorsten Lux

# T2K

- Long baseline neutrino oscillation experiment
- 2 detectors:
  - Near Detector: measure before oscillation
  - Far Detector: measure after oscillation



Far detector

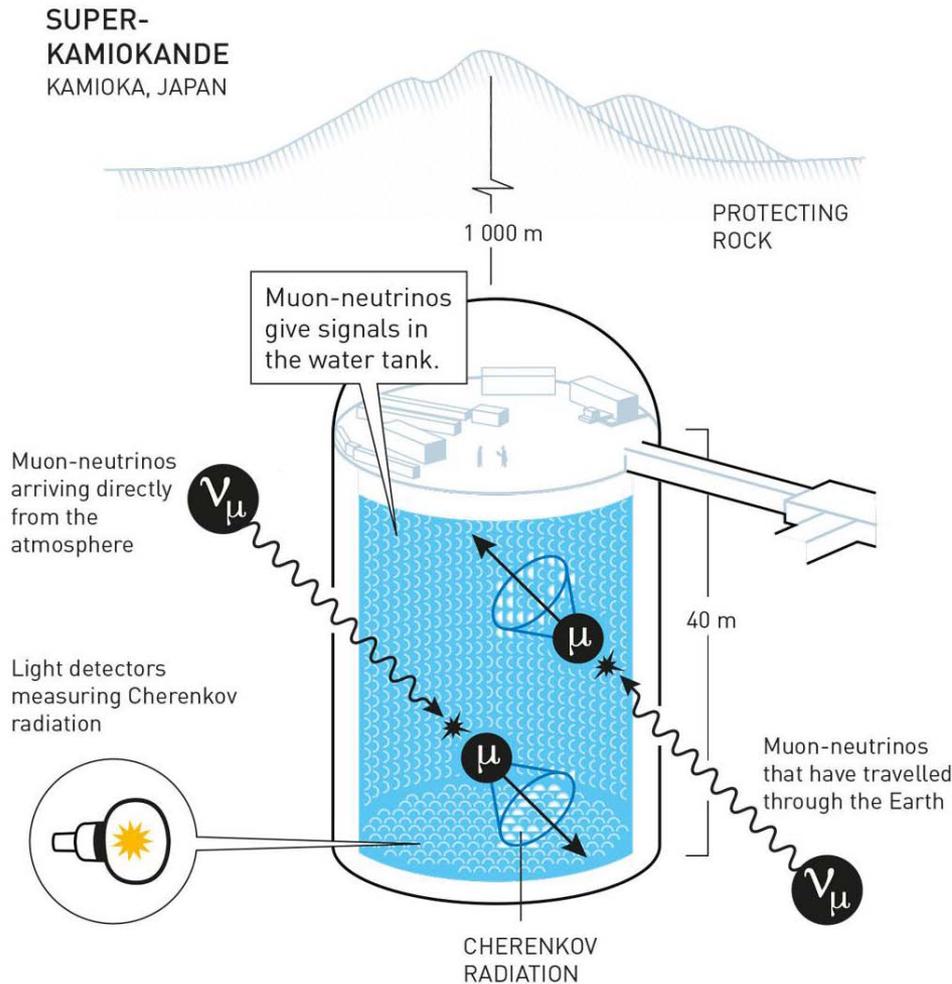


Near detector

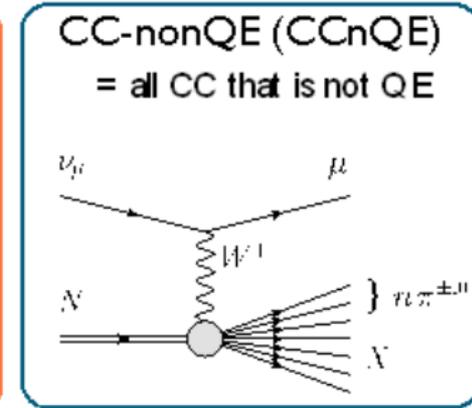
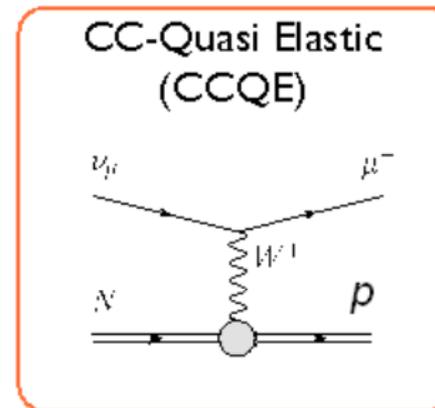


J-PARC proton accelerator

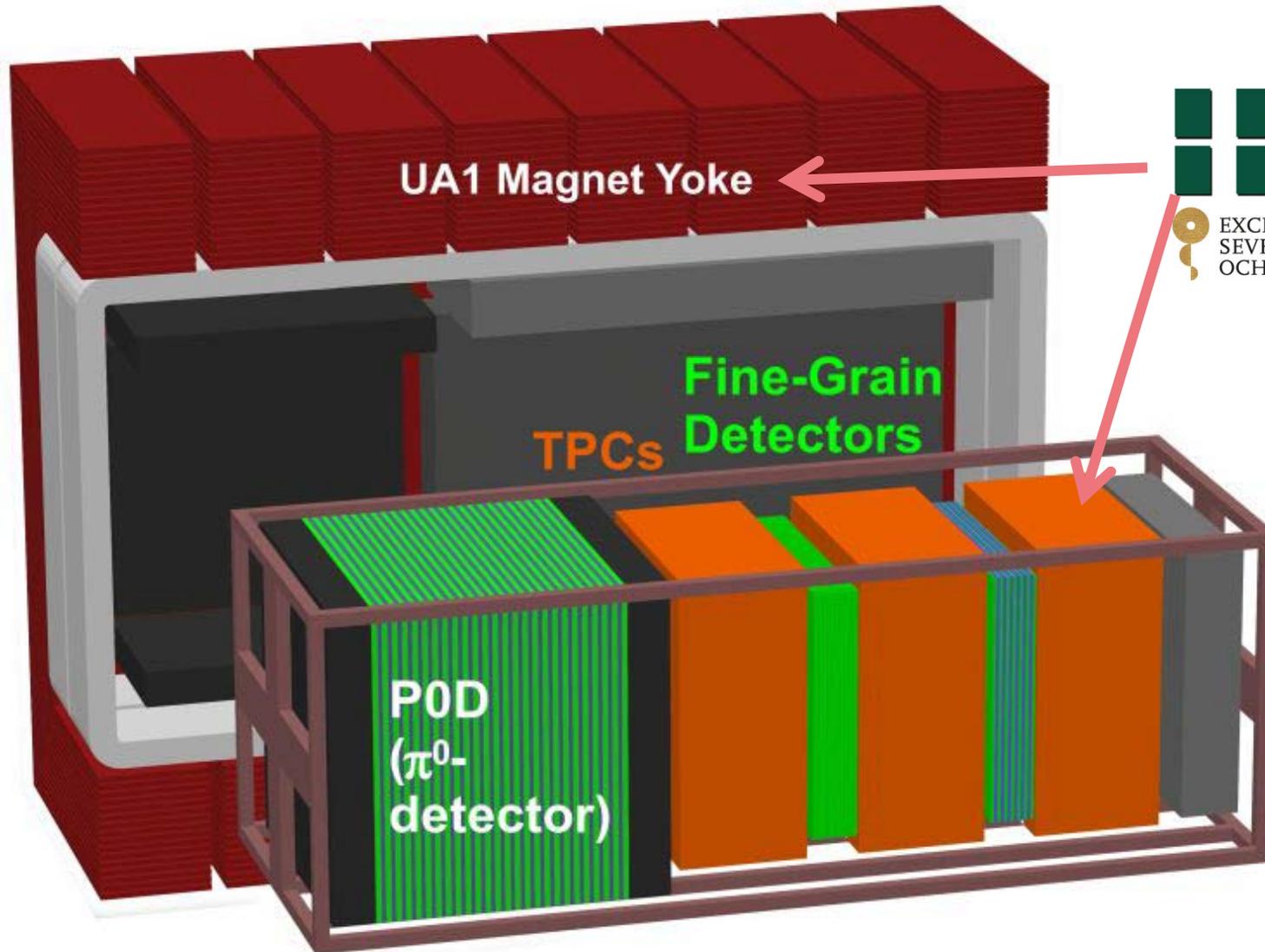
# Far Detector: SuperKamiokande



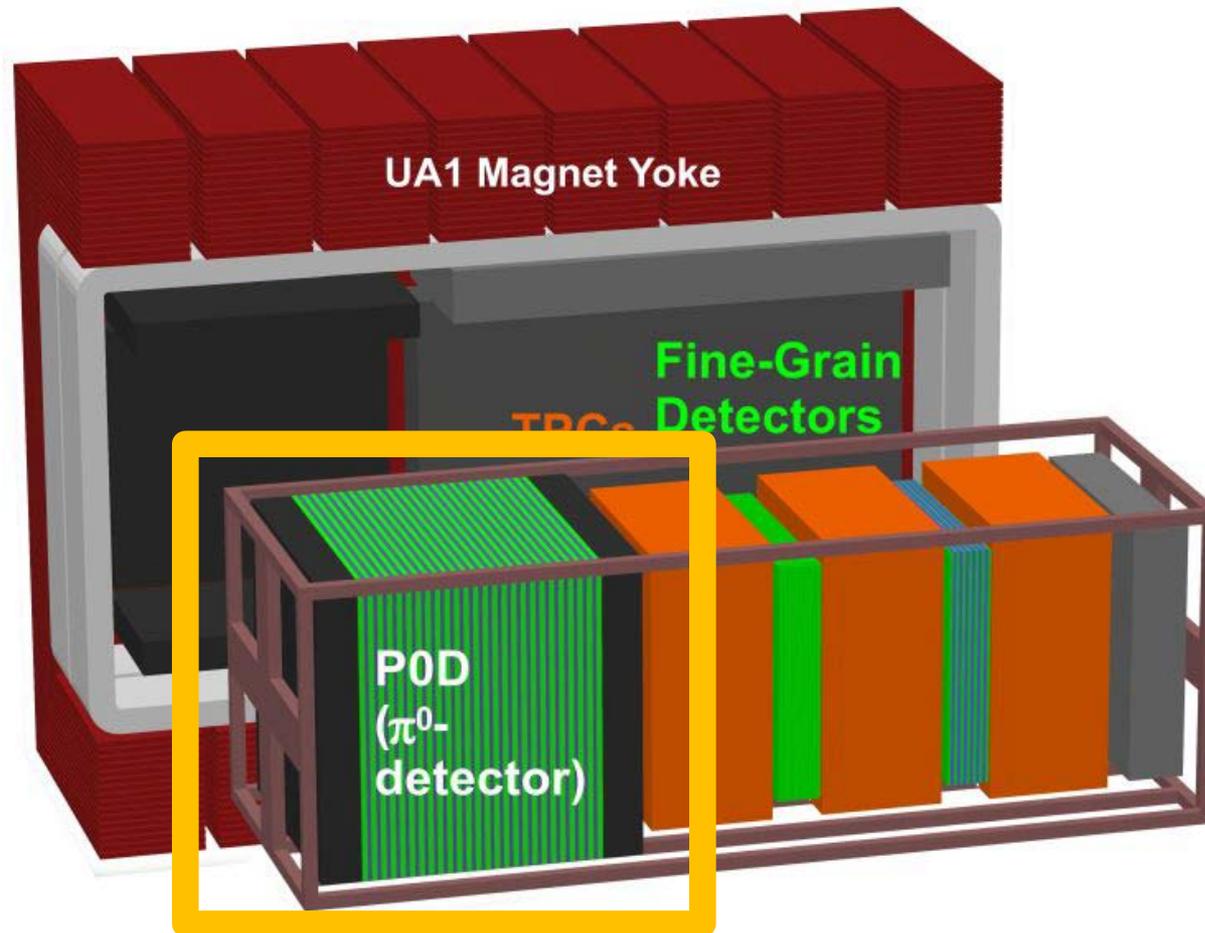
- ▶ Water Cherenkov detector
- ▶  $4\pi$  sensitivity
- ▶ CC events
- ▶ Relatively high threshold for particle detection => mainly detection of charged lepton



# Current Near Detector: ND280

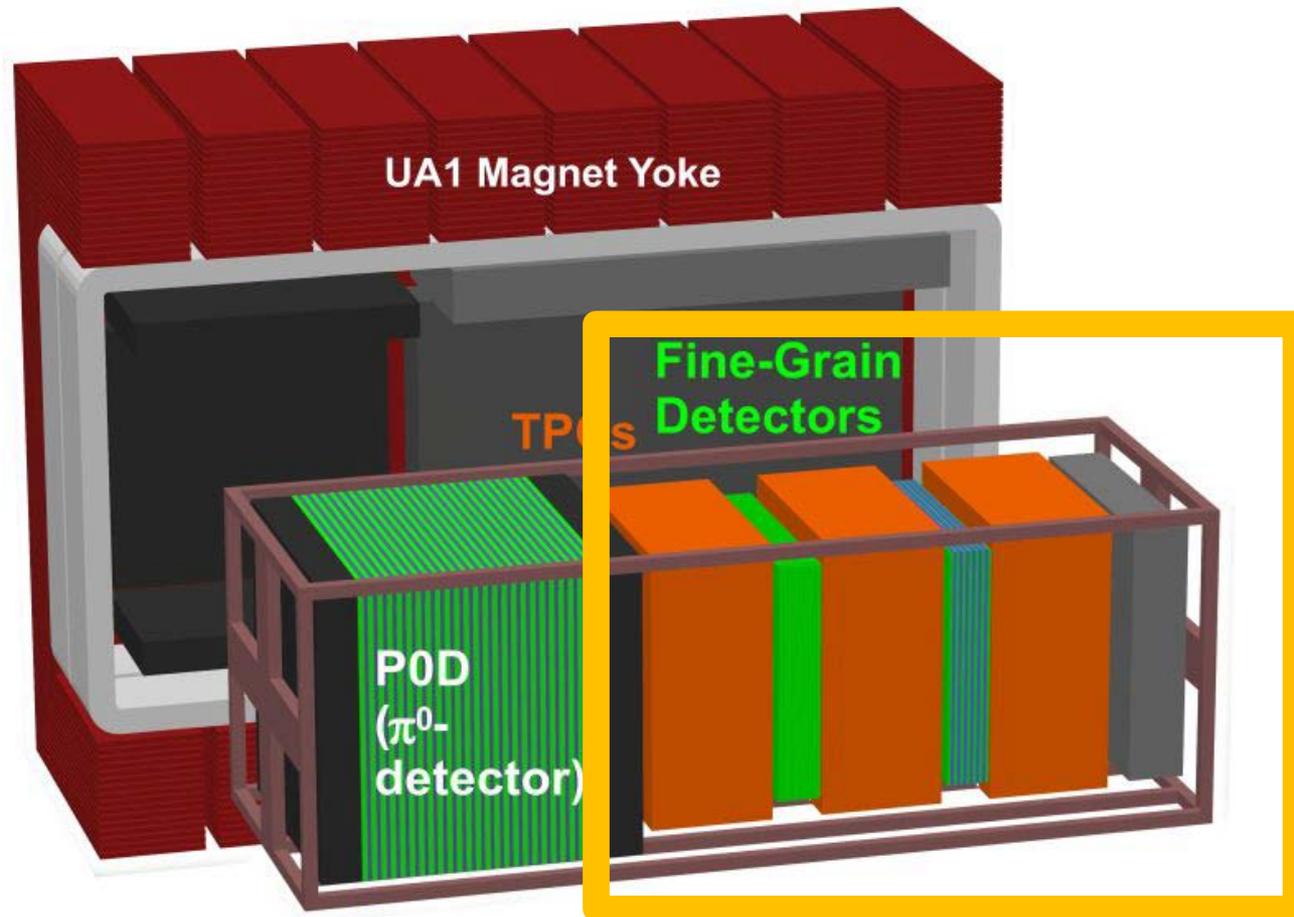


# Current Near Detector: ND280



- target and detector
- NC events
- background in SK

# Current Near Detector: ND280

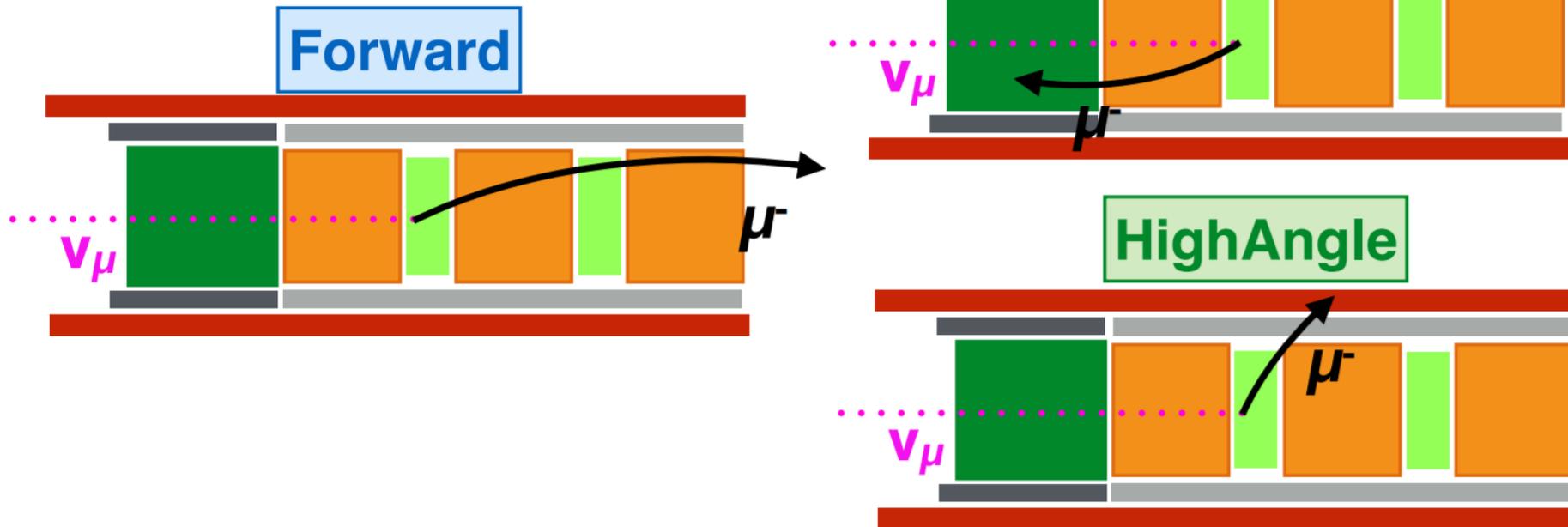


- FGD: target, TPC: tracker
- CC events
- signal in SK

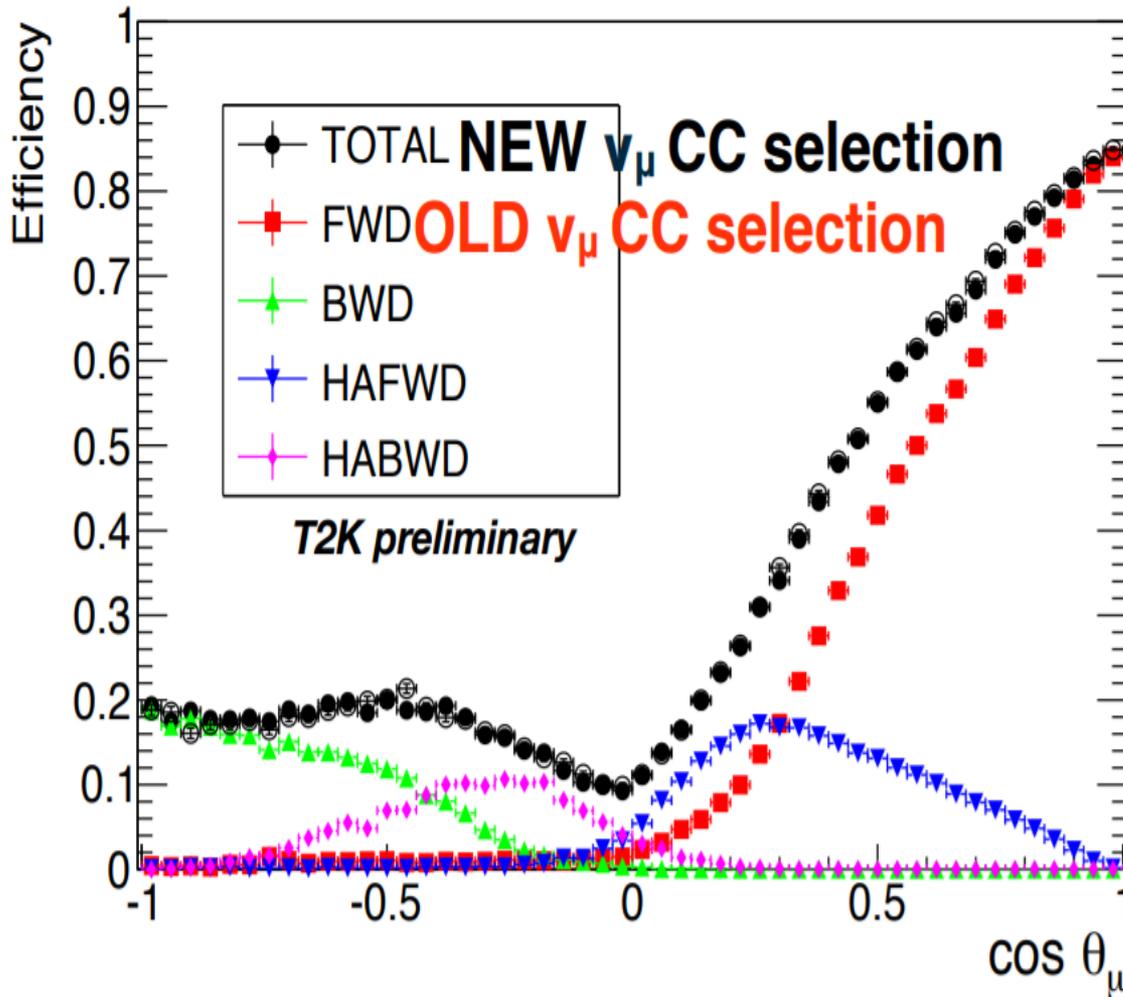
# Current Near Detector: ND280

- not  $4\pi$  detector
- optimized for forward direction
- high angle has problems:
  - FGD dense material
  - short track in TPC  $\Rightarrow$  bad for p and  $dE/dx$  measurement  $\Rightarrow$  bad for PID

- backward: without time information difficult to identify correctly backward going lepton



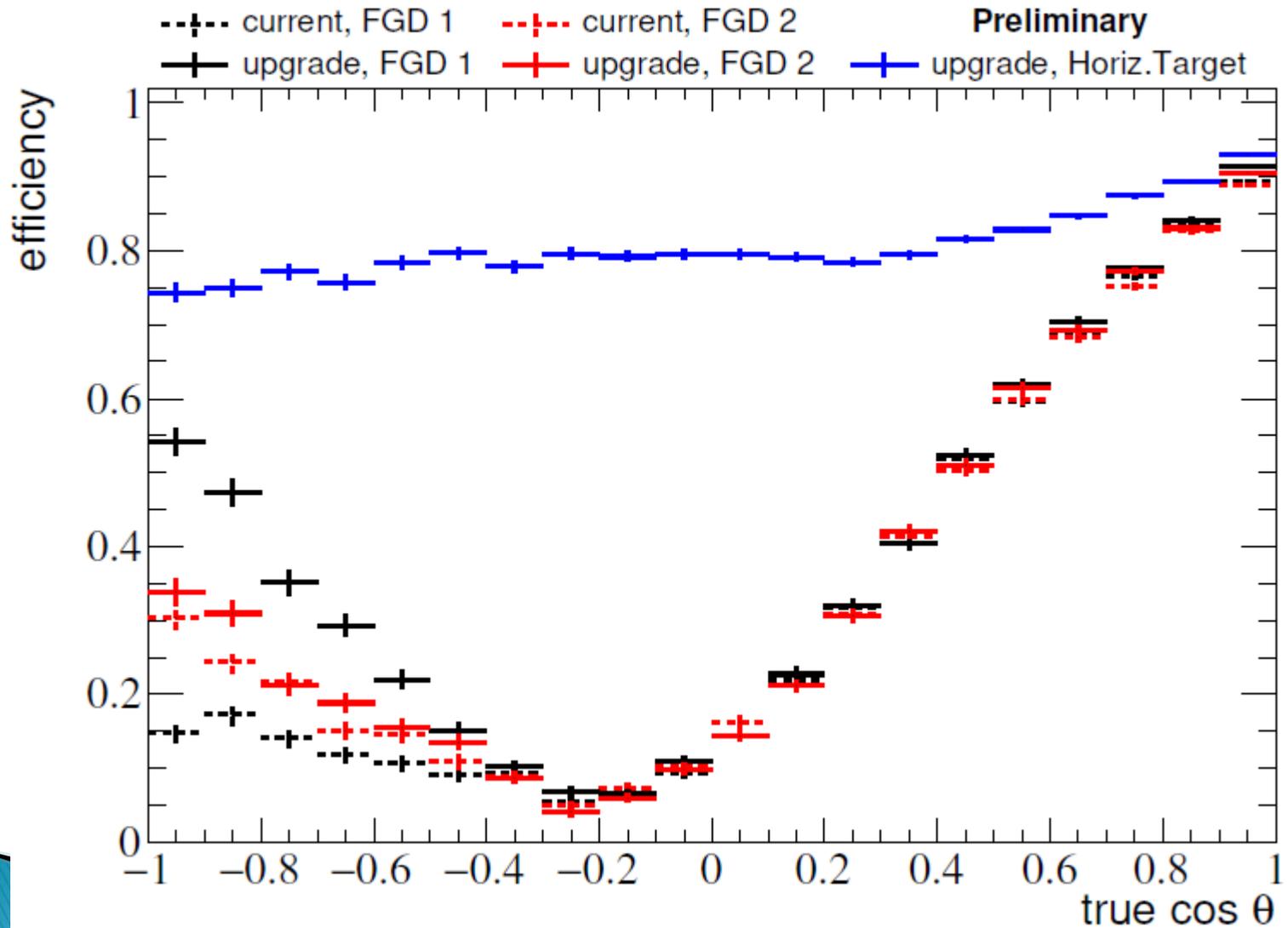
# Current Near Detector: ND280



- selection efficiency high in forward direction
- originally only forward direction
- for current detector already achieved some efficiency for high angle and backward
- Alfonso Garcia (IFAE) thesis
- still very low efficiency for high angle and backward direction

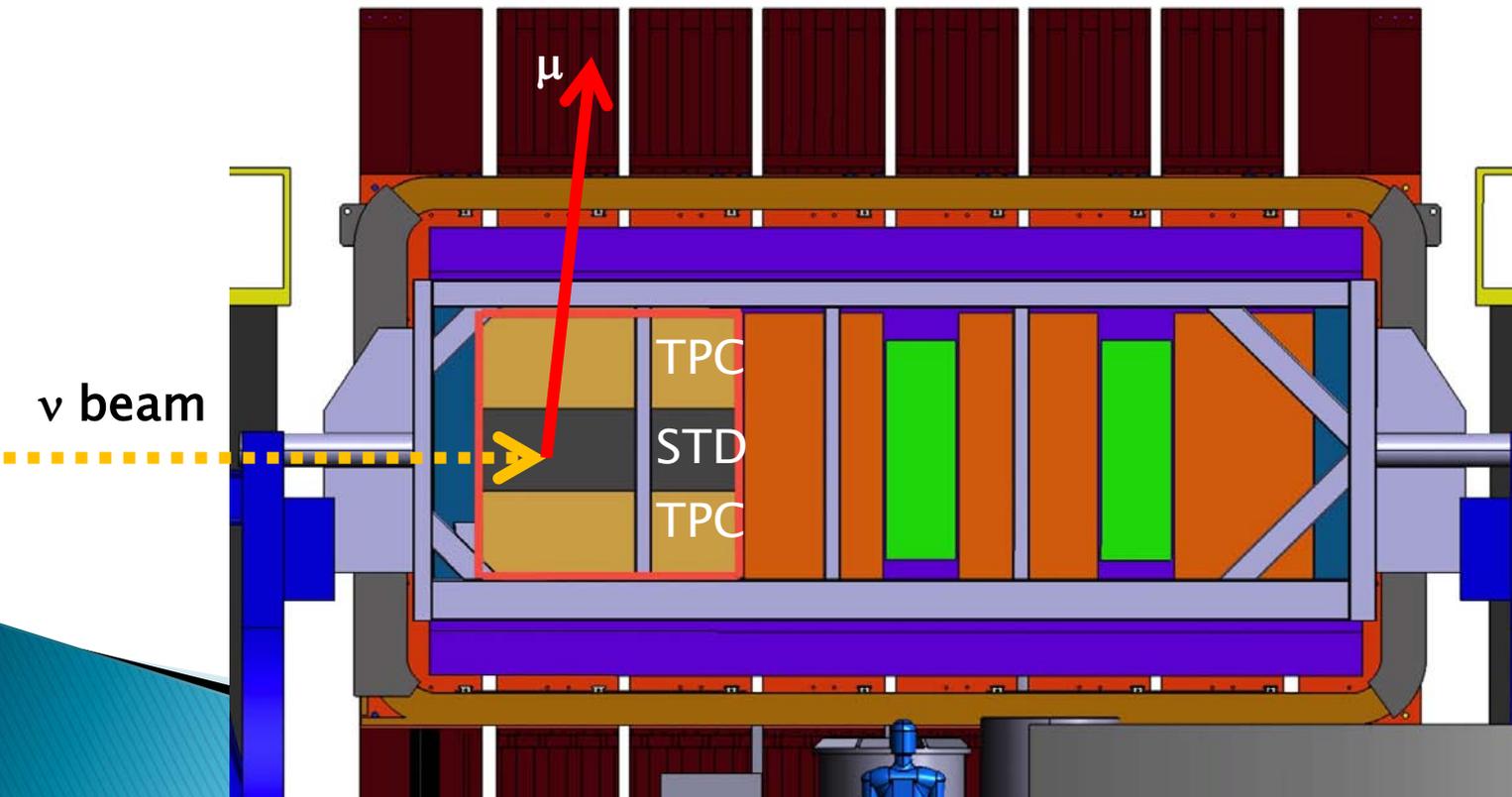
=> **Significant systematic error for SK results**

# What we want



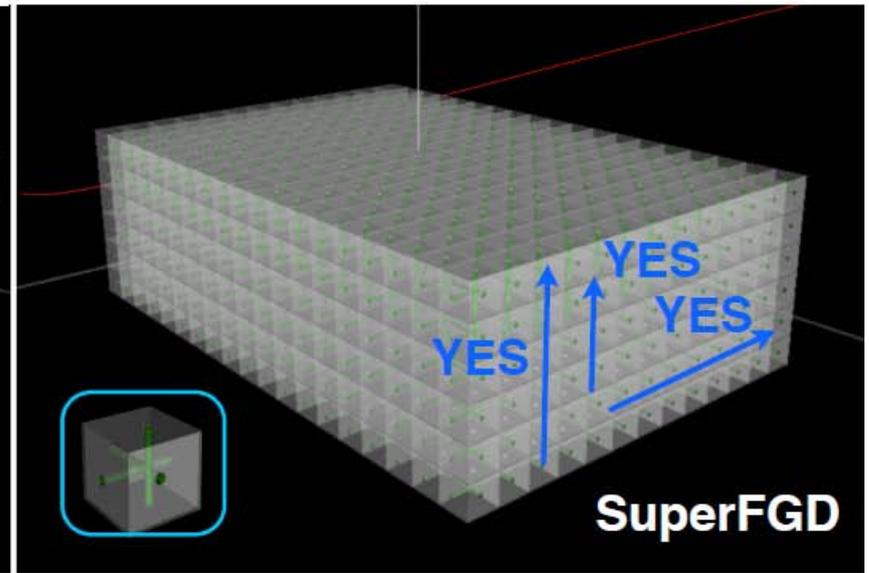
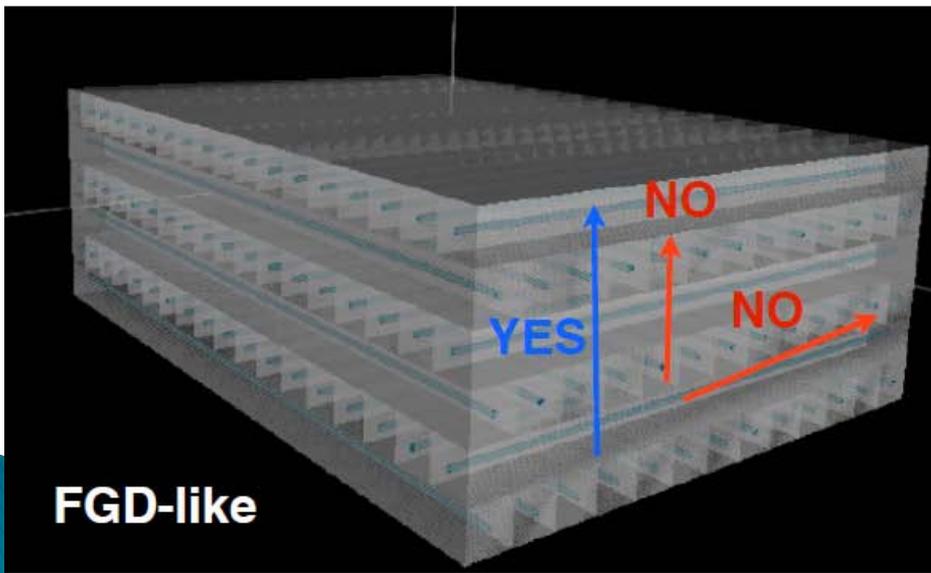
# How to achieve this?

- ▶ Get rid of POD and replace it by something more useful!
  - Scintillator tracker as target
  - 2 vertical TPCs as tracker
  - TOF panels surrounding all other detectors



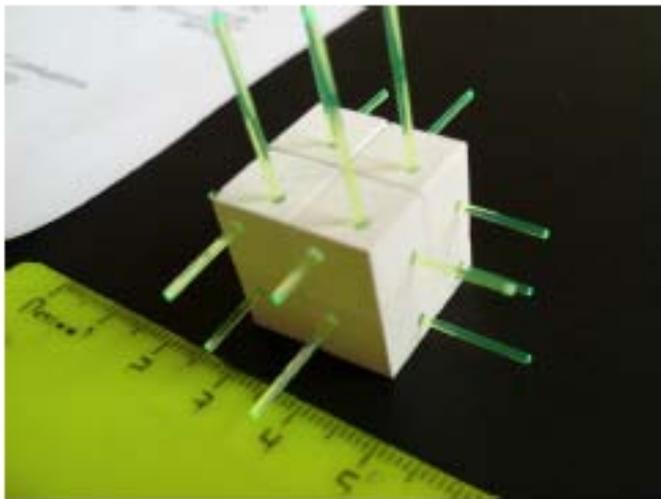
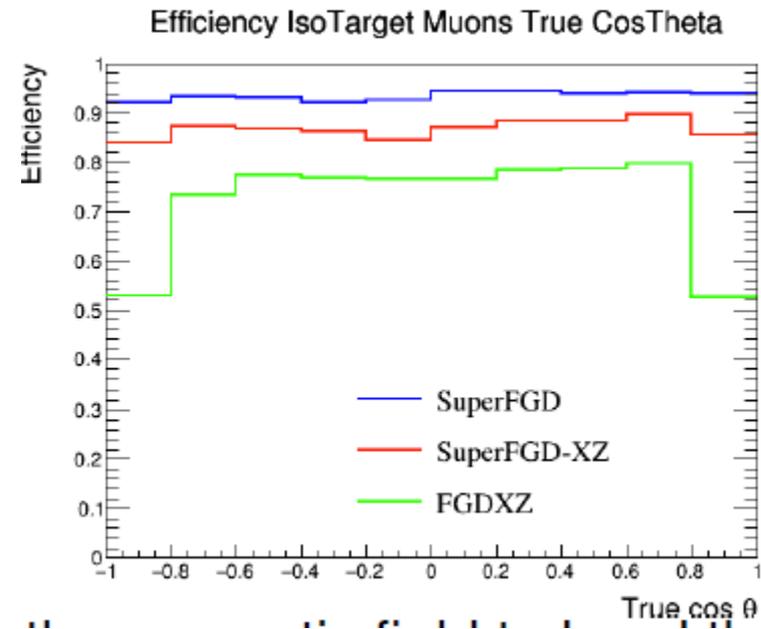
# Scintillator Tracker

- ▶ Scintillator with WLS fiber read out by MPPC/SiPM
- ▶ 2 variations under consideration: 2D and 3D (SuperFGD)
- ▶ 2D FGD well known technology
- ▶ 3D would provide  $4\pi$  sensitivity
- ▶ 3D needs factor 2–3 more readout channels
- ▶ Target mass: ~2 ton

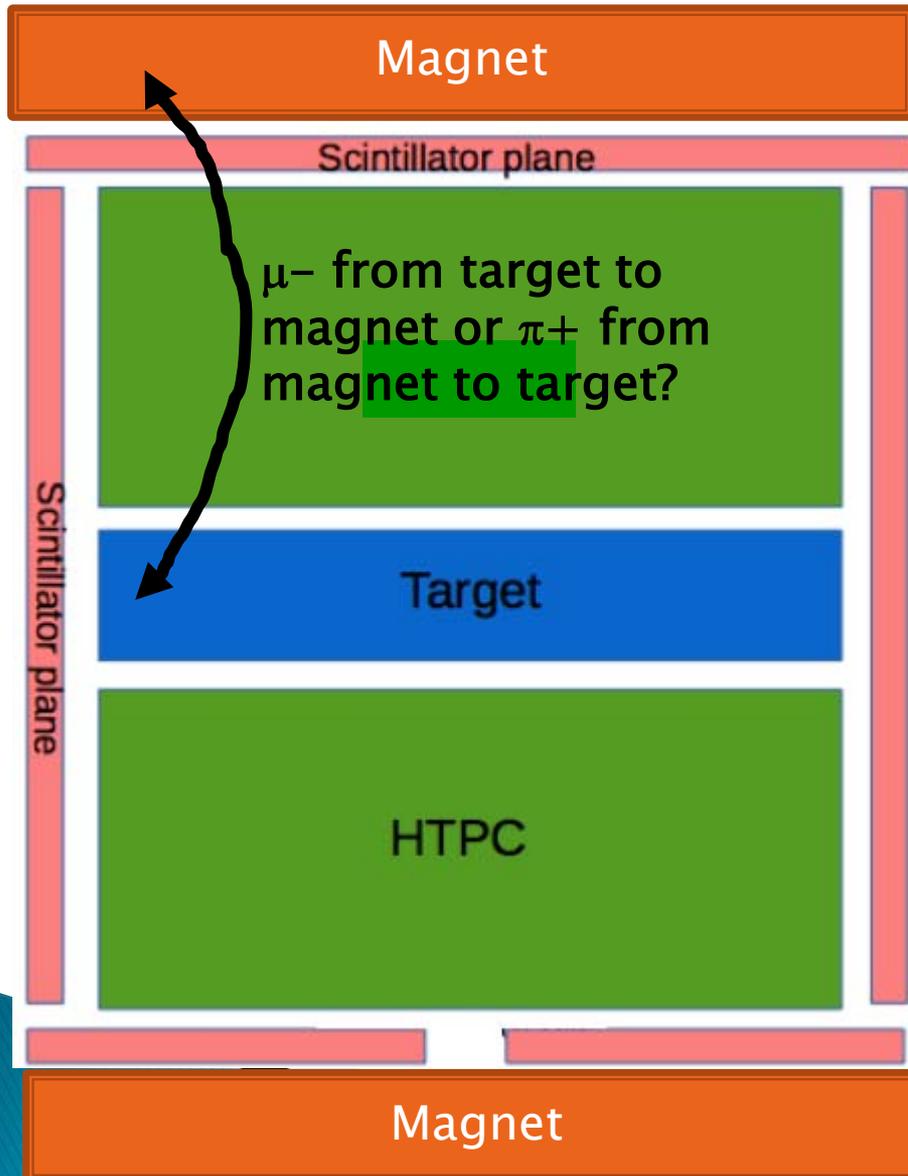


# Scintillator Tracker

- ▶ Current baseline choice: SuperFGD
  - 1 cm<sup>3</sup> cubes, optically isolated, each with 3 WLS fibers
  - Fibers read out by ~60.000 MPPCs
  - Total detector: 2.000.000 cubes
- ▶ Simulations indicate that SuperFGD in 2D performs better than classical 2D FGD



# Time of Flight



- ▶ TOF will provide:
  - PID with  $p$  from track curvature

$$m_{TOF} = p \times \sqrt{\frac{c^2(\Delta t_{reco})^2}{L^2} - 1}$$

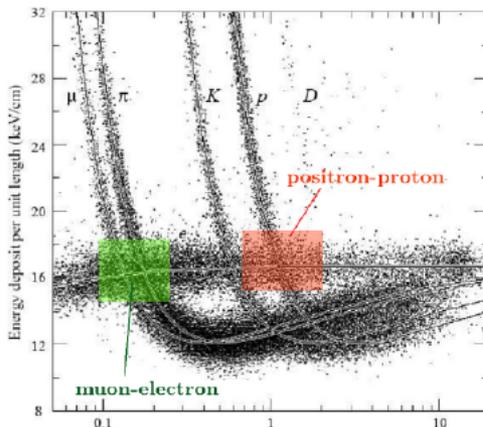
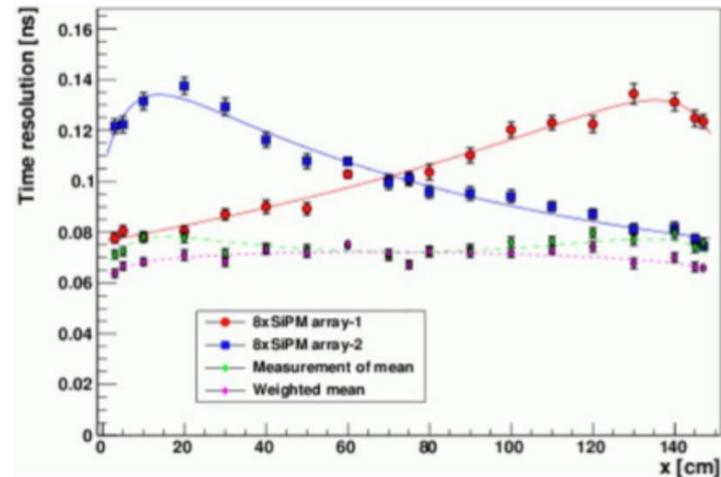
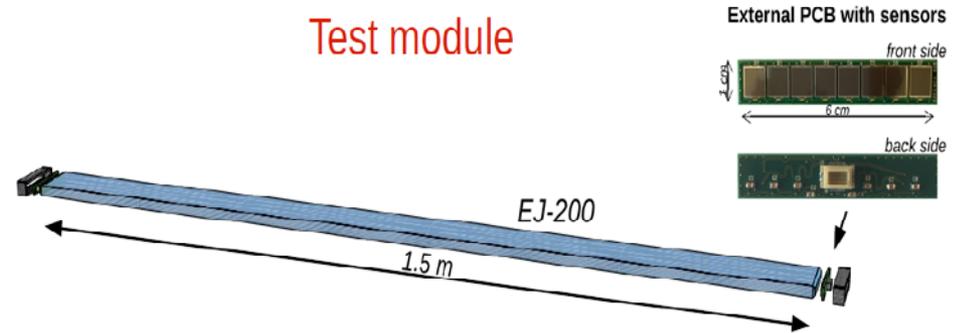
- Identify direction of particle
- ▶ Crucial time resolution: scintillator, electronics, ...

# Time of Flight

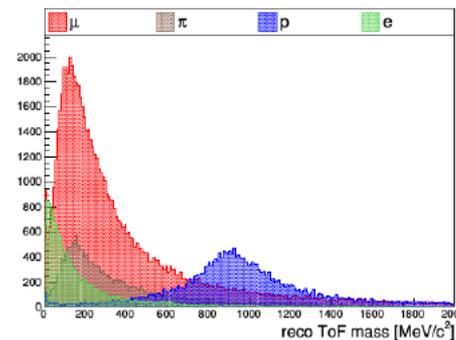
Baseline choice:

- Cast plastic scintillator: EJ-200
- 6 or 12 SiPM (6x6 mm<sup>2</sup>) directly coupled to scintillator
- readout from both sides
- tested already in CERN testbeam
- ~70 ps time resolution for 1.5 m bars achieved
- electronics could increase this to 150 to 600 ps

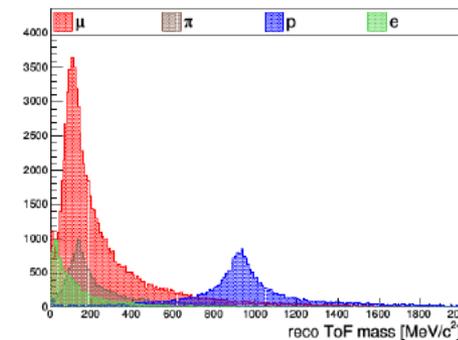
Test module



$\sigma = 600$  ps

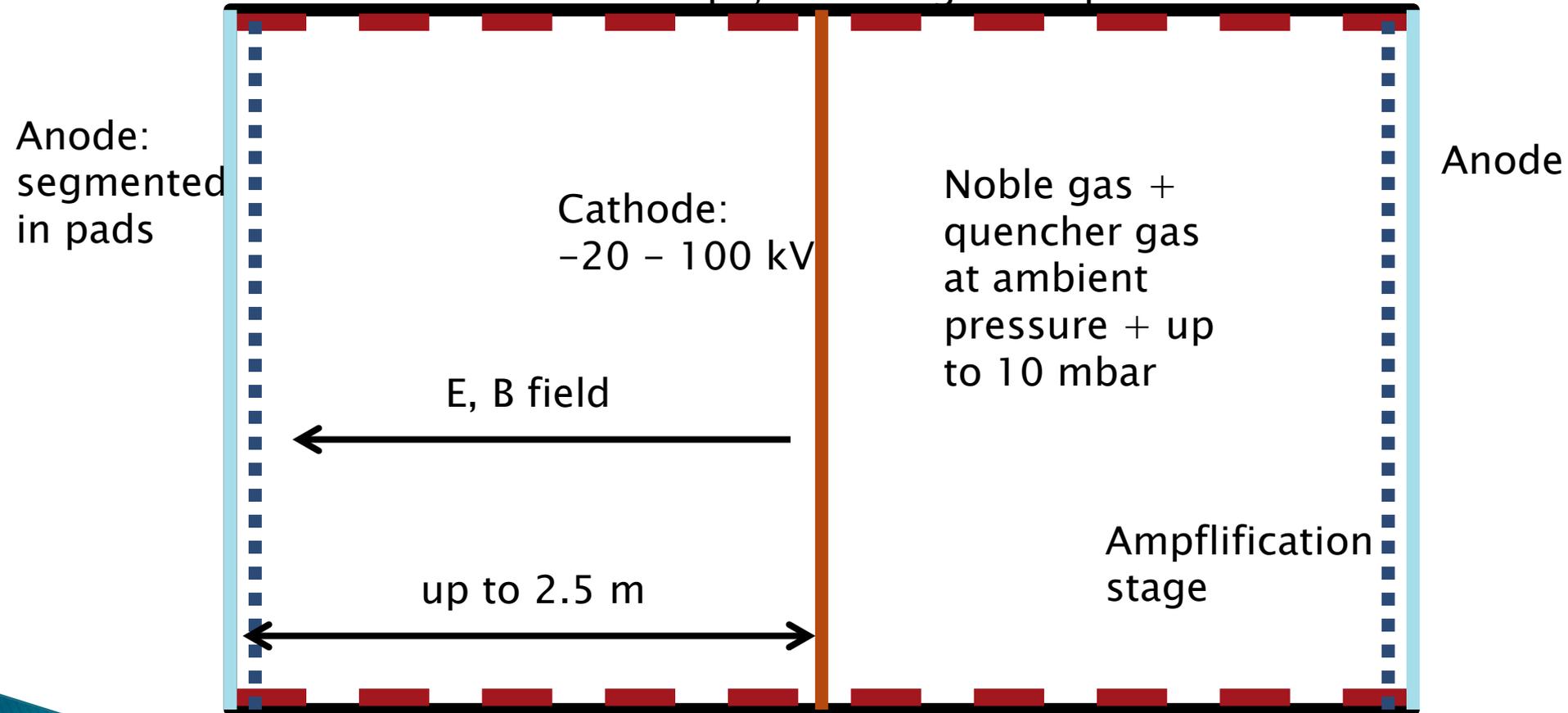


$\sigma = 150$  ps

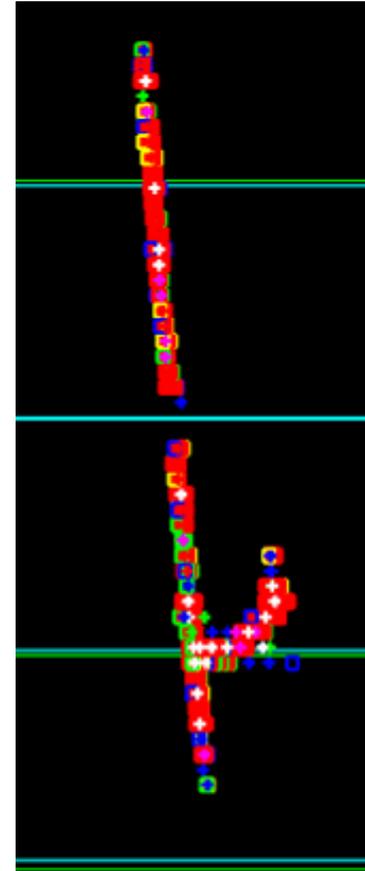
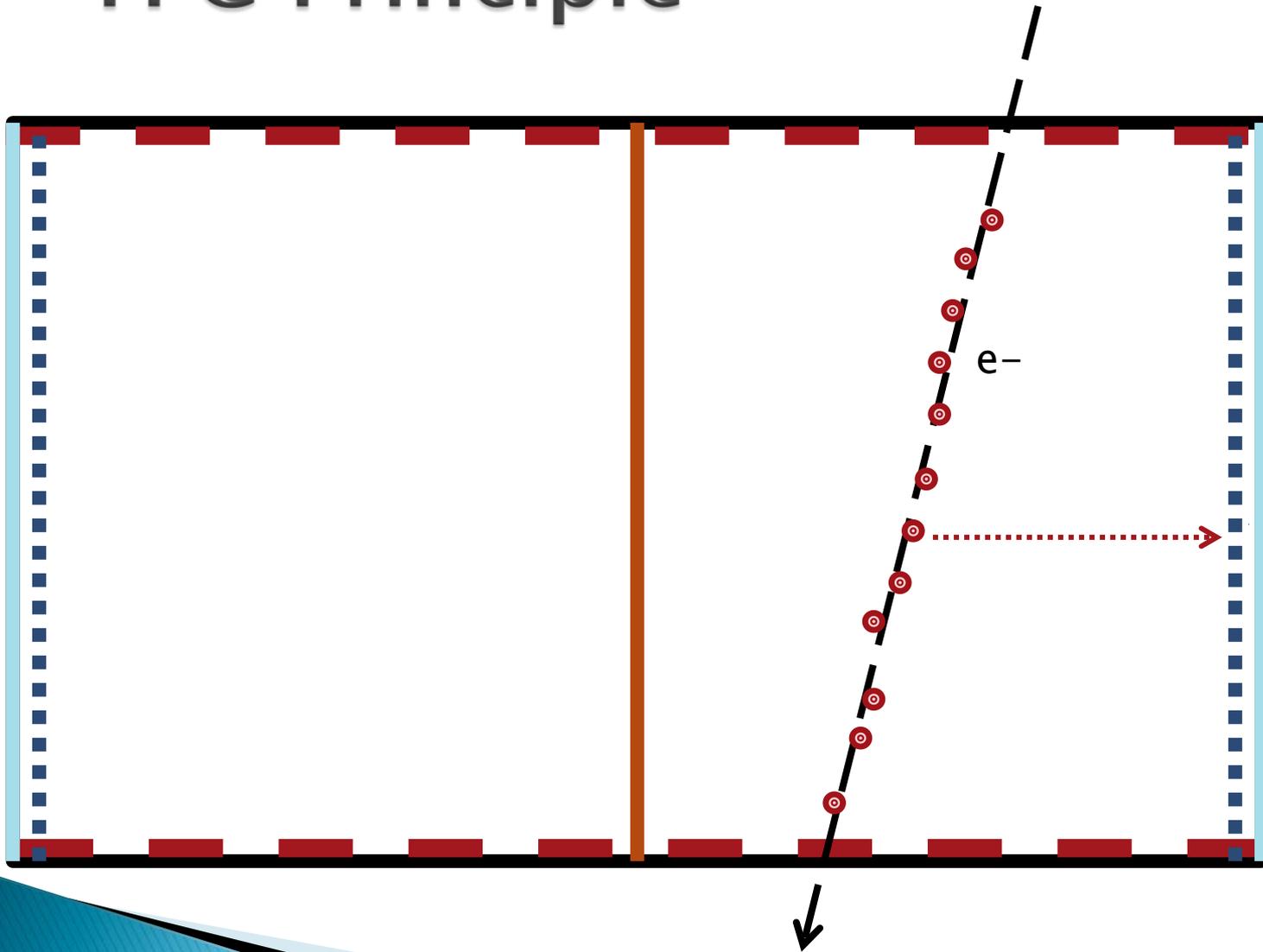


# TPC Principle

Field cage: inside HV on copper strips, outside ground plane



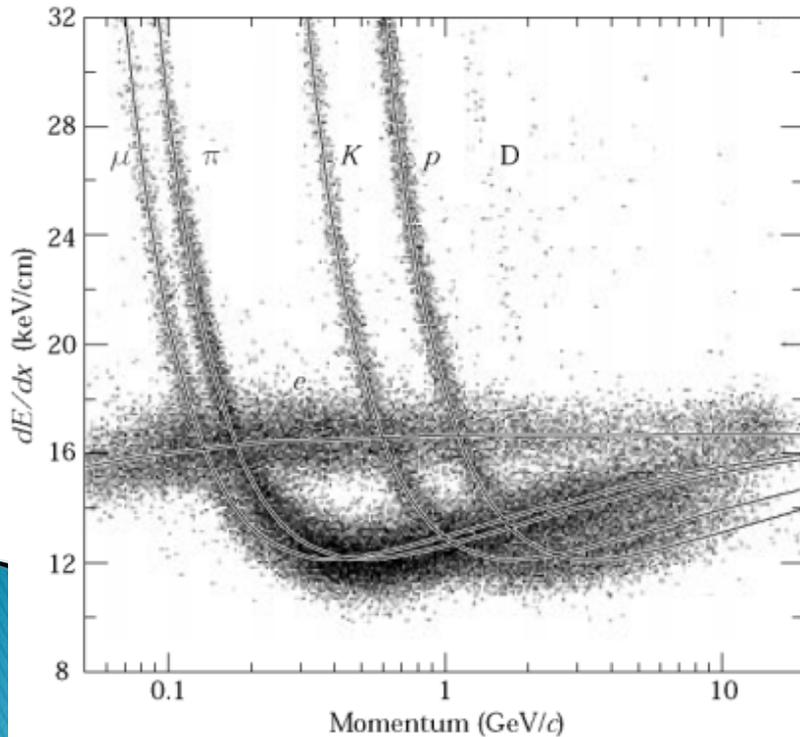
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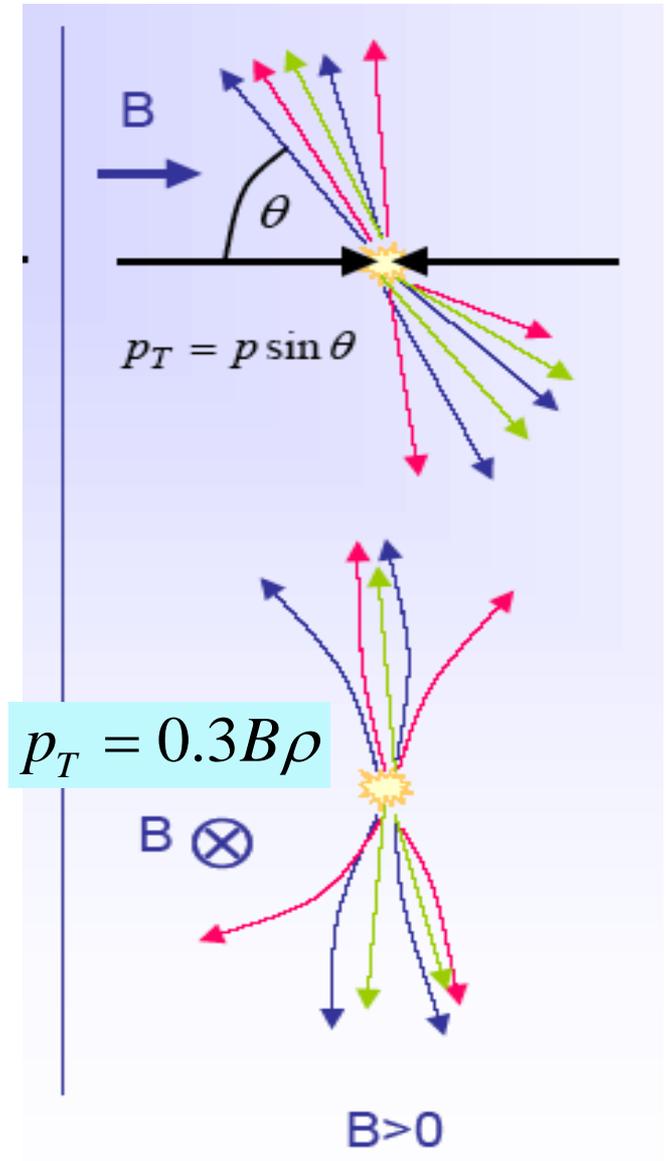
# TPC Principle

- momentum from track reconstruction
- $dE/dx$  from deposited charge along track

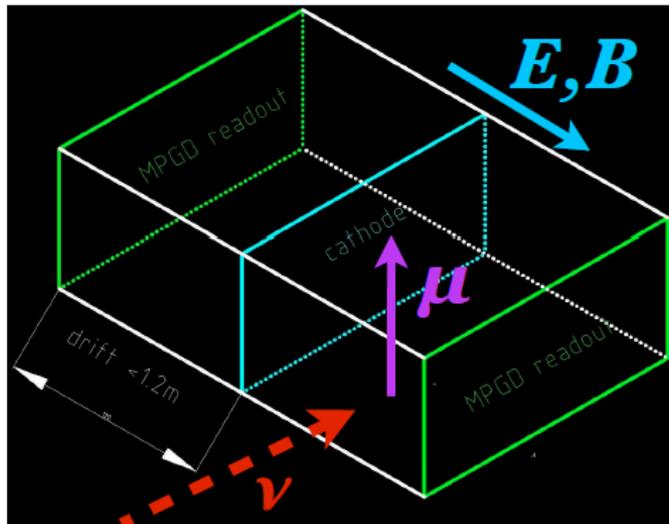
=> Particle identification (PID)



$$p = p_{\perp} / \sin \theta = p_{\perp} \sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}$$



# New vertical TPCs



Parameter	Value for 1 TPC
Dimension	1.8(x) x 0.8(y) x 2.0(z) m <sup>3</sup>
Volume	2.9 m <sup>3</sup>
Drift Length	90 cm
Pad area	~1 cm <sup>2</sup> (~2 cm <sup>2</sup> resistive MM)
Sensitive area	3.2 m <sup>4</sup>
# MM	16 (50x50 cm <sup>2</sup> each MM)
# channels	3.2x10 <sup>4</sup>

Walls have to ensure:

- Gas tightness
- Passing of low momentum particles => light materials
- Electric insulation of tens of kV for years
- Minimal deformations due to overpressure and gravity

Already done for ALEPH/DELPHI/... but these were cylindrical TPCs while we have rectangular TPCs!

# New vertical TPCs

## Challenging requirements/tolerances:

- ▶ Flatness of the cathode  $100\ \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ Flatness of anode  $200\ \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ Anode and cathode parallel within  $200\ \mu\text{m}$
- ▶ Electric field homogeneity  $\leq 10^{-4}$  ( $199.98 < E < 200.02\ \text{V/cm}$ )
- ▶ Sensitive volume starts  $1.5\ \text{cm}$  from wall surface
- ▶ Withstand at least  $30\ \text{kV}$
- ▶ Oxygen levels  $\leq 10\ \text{ppm}$  ( $21\% \Rightarrow 0.001\%$ )
- ▶ ...

And all this with a tight time schedule of course!

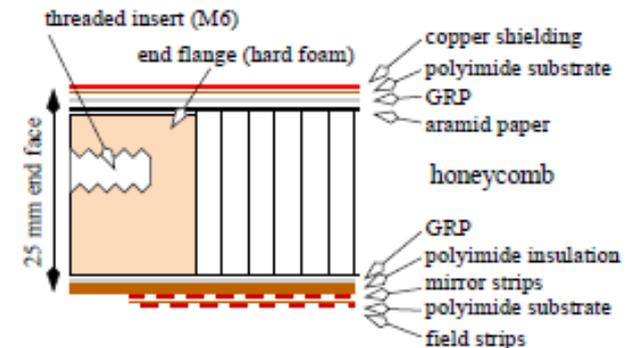
=> Many design choices to be taken soon!

# Field Cage Wall Material

- Flat surface suffering gravity and overpressure  
 ⇒ What is the right choice for the wall material?  
 ⇒ Composite materials but which?

First iteration based on choice of other experiments  
 (for cylindrical TPCs):

WALL LAYERS	Thickness	Ex	Ey	vx	Gxy	d
	[mm]	[N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	[N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	-	[N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	[Ton/mm <sup>3</sup> ]
Copper shielding	0,010	110000		0,34	41045	7,76E-09
Polyimide substrate	0,050	2500		0,34	933	1,42E-09
outer GRP	0,300	28000		0,15	12174	1,80E-09
Honeycomb	23,500	1	1	0,3	56	4,00E-11
inner GRP	0,300	28000		0,15	12174	1,80E-09
Polyimide insulation	0,125	2500		0,34	933	1,42E-09
Mirror strips	0,280	110000		0,34	41045	7,76E-09
Polyimide substrate	0,050	2500		0,34	933	1,42E-09
Field copper strips	0,280	110000		0,34	41045	7,76E-09

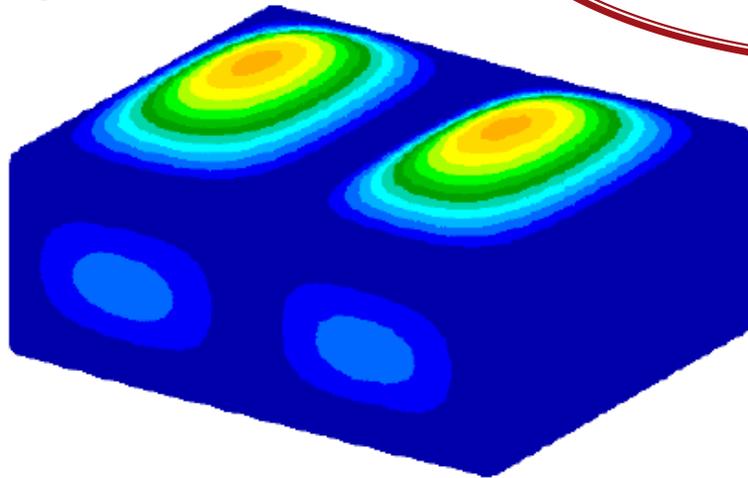
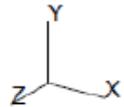


# Field Cage Wall Material

## RESULTS

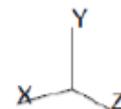
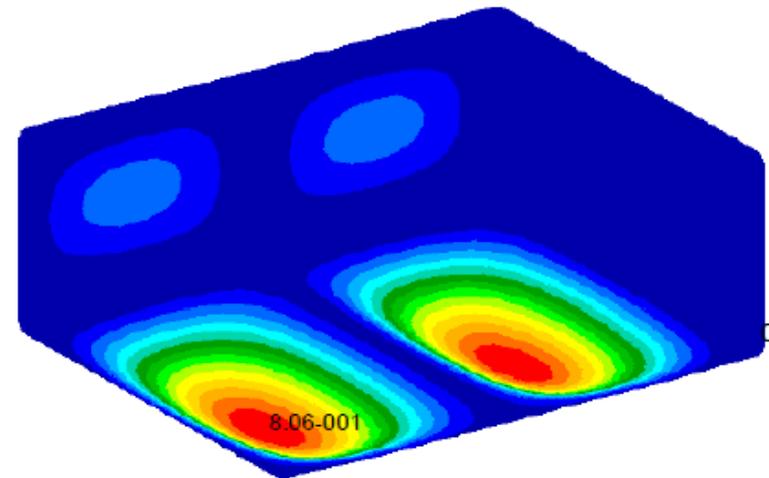
10 mbar - ILC TPC WALL - **MAX DEFORMATION = 0,806 mm**

Rad. Length:  
1.6%



That is a lot!

Structural simulations  
done by Juli

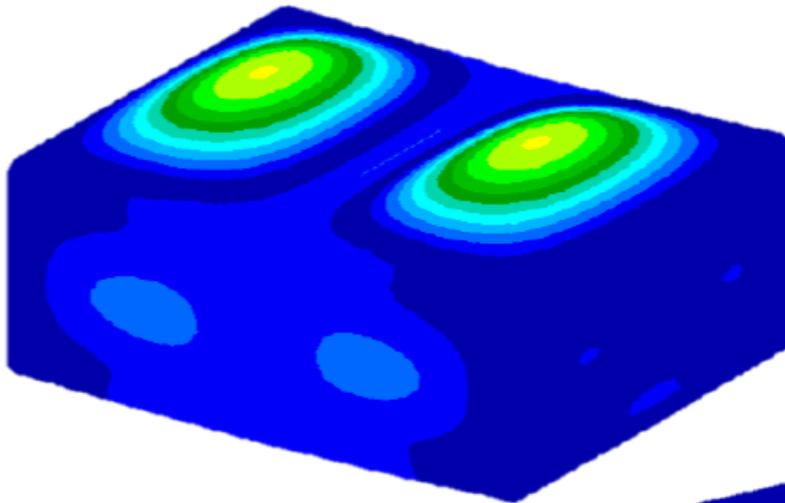
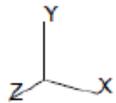


# Field Cage Wall Material

Rad. Length:  
2.4%

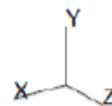
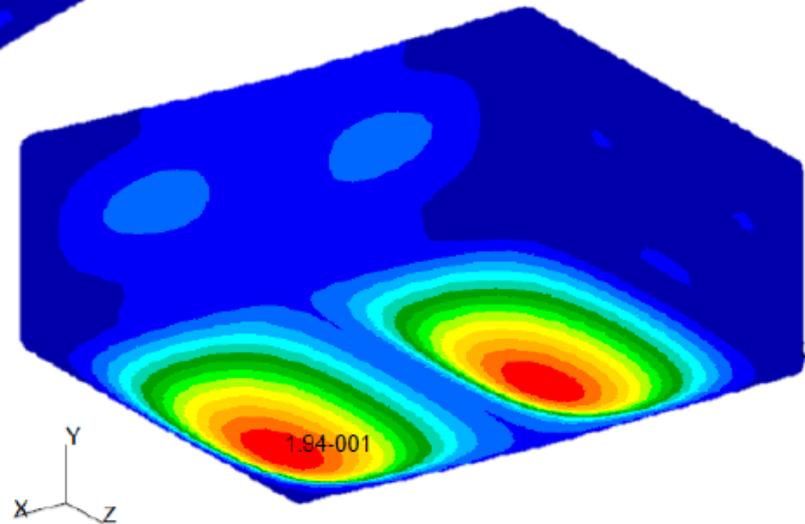
10 mbar - ILC TPC + CF 2mm - **MAX DEFORMATION = 0,194 mm**

-75% IES!  
ILC TPC



Adding 2 mm of carbon fiber helps a lot!

More options under study and iterations required. Also thermal expansion will be studied.



# Field Forming Structure

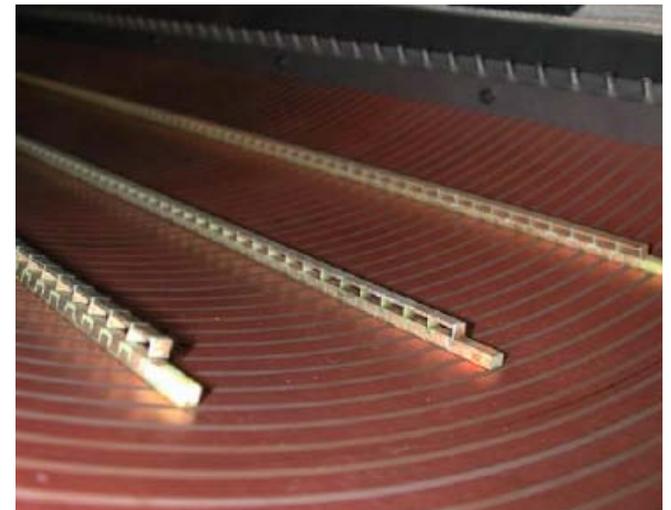
**Aim:** continuous degradation of potential between anode and cathode

**Practice:** Do it in small steps! Parallel copper strips on the walls connected by resistors.

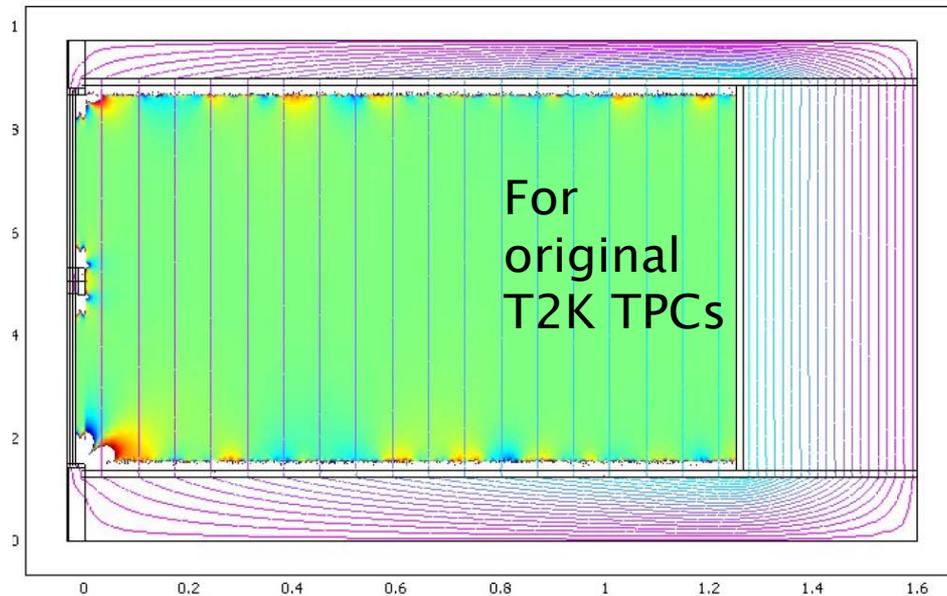
Sounds simple but many options how to realize it:

Double sided copper strips on Kapton: more expensive

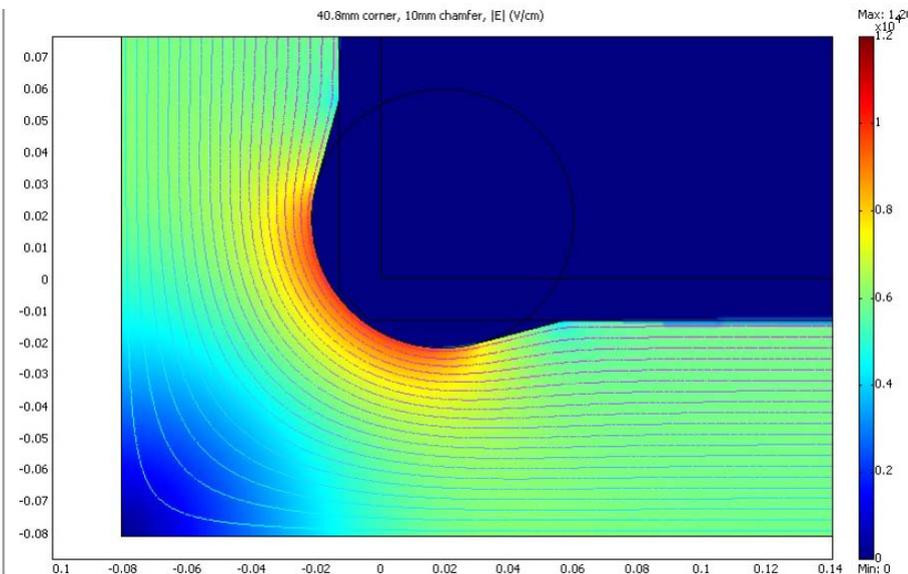
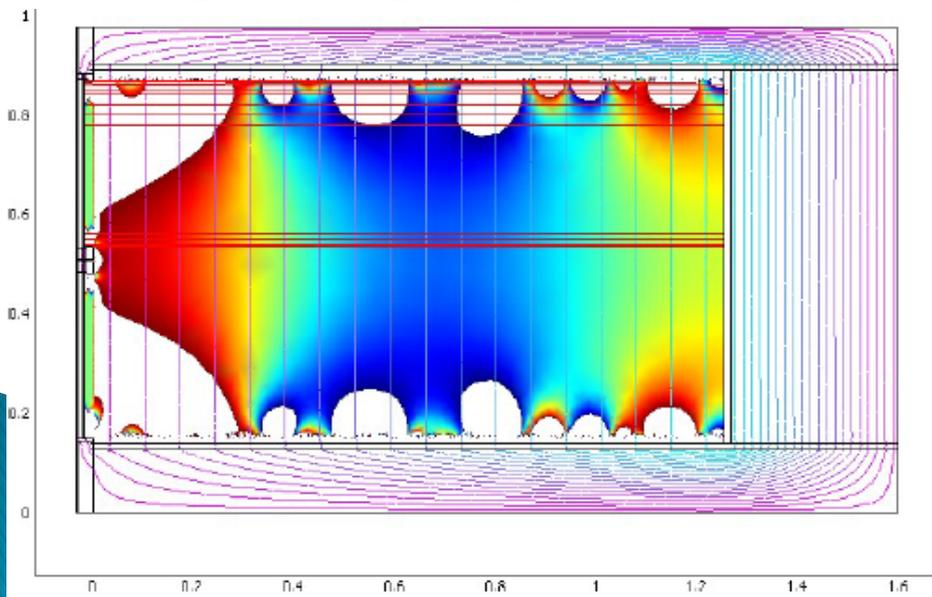
Mirror strips inside the gas: cheaper but more space lost



# Electric Field Simulations



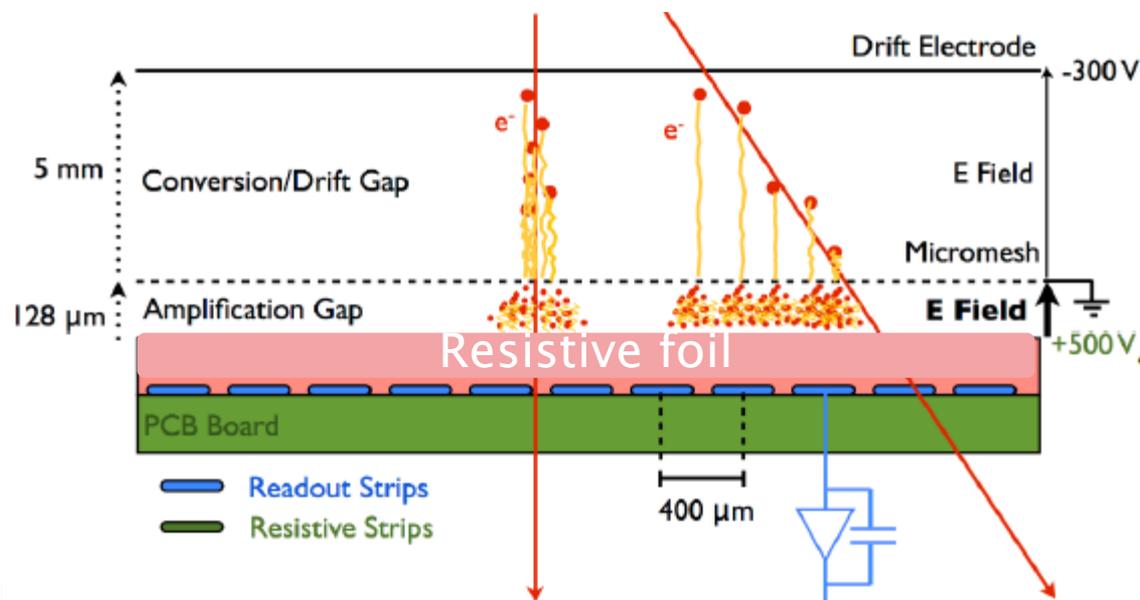
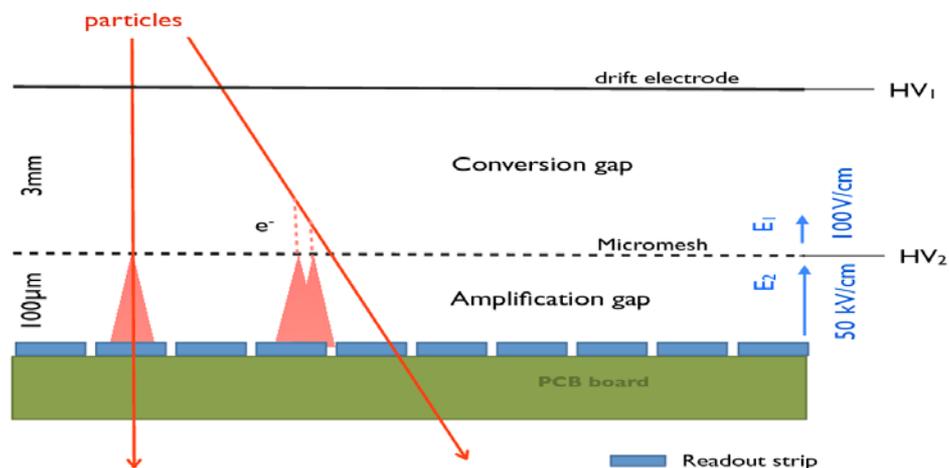
- Many electric field simulations needed for detector optimization:
- realistic resistors have tolerances e.g. 0.1%
  - Corners of the TPC
  - Readout plane integration
  - Cathode integration
  - ...



# Micromegas Readout



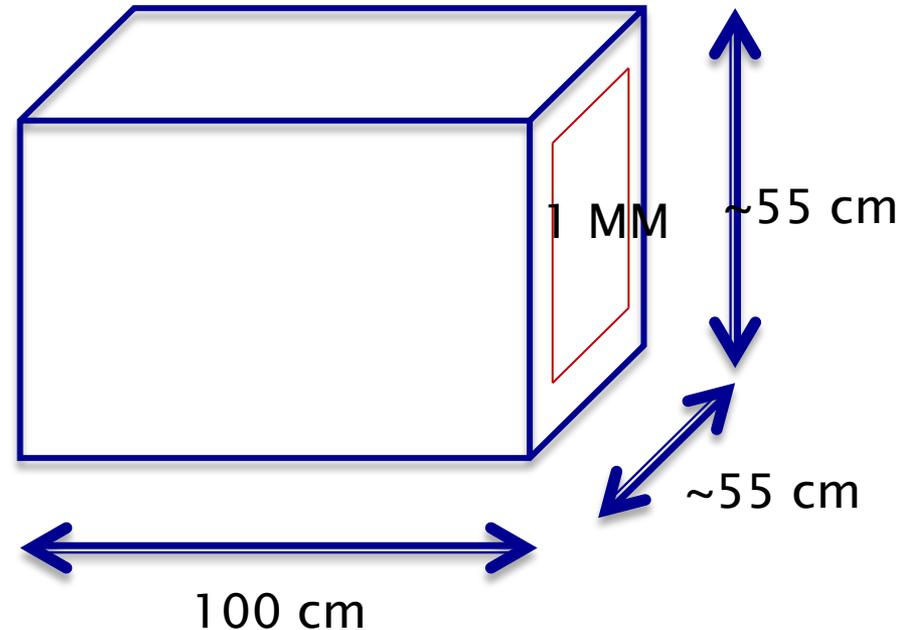
- T2K was first full size TPCs with MPGD readout
- Good performance for T2K but further development ongoing
- Aim: use resistive foil in readout to spread charge over several pads
- T2K will have first TPCs with resistive MM readout



# Time Schedule

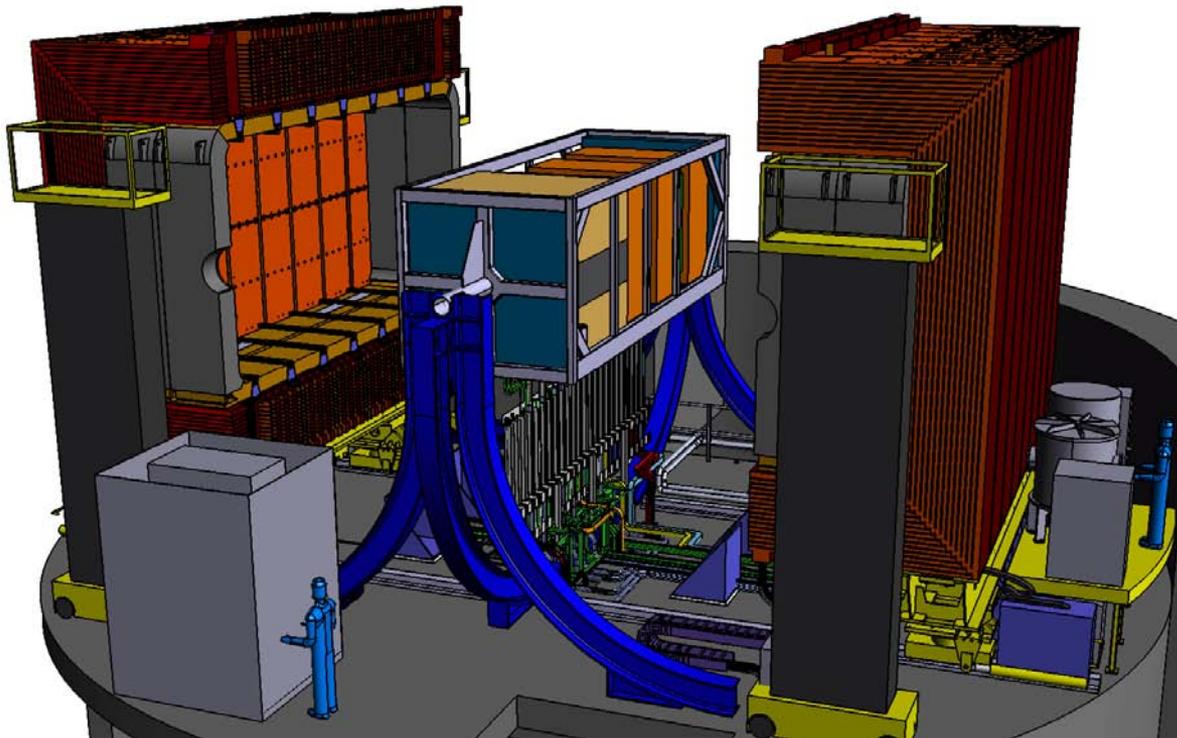
2 phases:

- ▶ **TPC Prototype** (funds available):
  - Currently design phase
  - Production of pieces in spring/early summer
  - Assembling of field cage: June/July 2018 at INFN Padua
  - Full integration: July/August 2018 at CERN
  - Testbeam: September 2018
- ⇒ Test resistive foil MMs and production process of TPC construction



# Time Schedule

- ▶ Final TPCs:
  - Optimize design
  - Production 2019/20
  - Commissioning with cosmics
  - 2021 installation at JPARC



# T2K TPC Collaboration



Bari and Padova

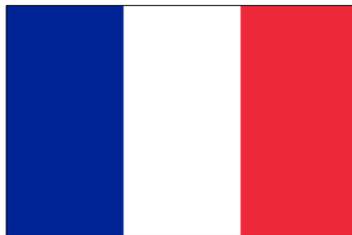
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# IFAE Contribution to Upgrade

F. Sanchez:

- Testbeam working group convener

T. Lux:

- Overall integration working group convener
- TPC field cage design

J. Mundet:

- TPC field cage design

J. Boix:

- Optimization of electronics readout

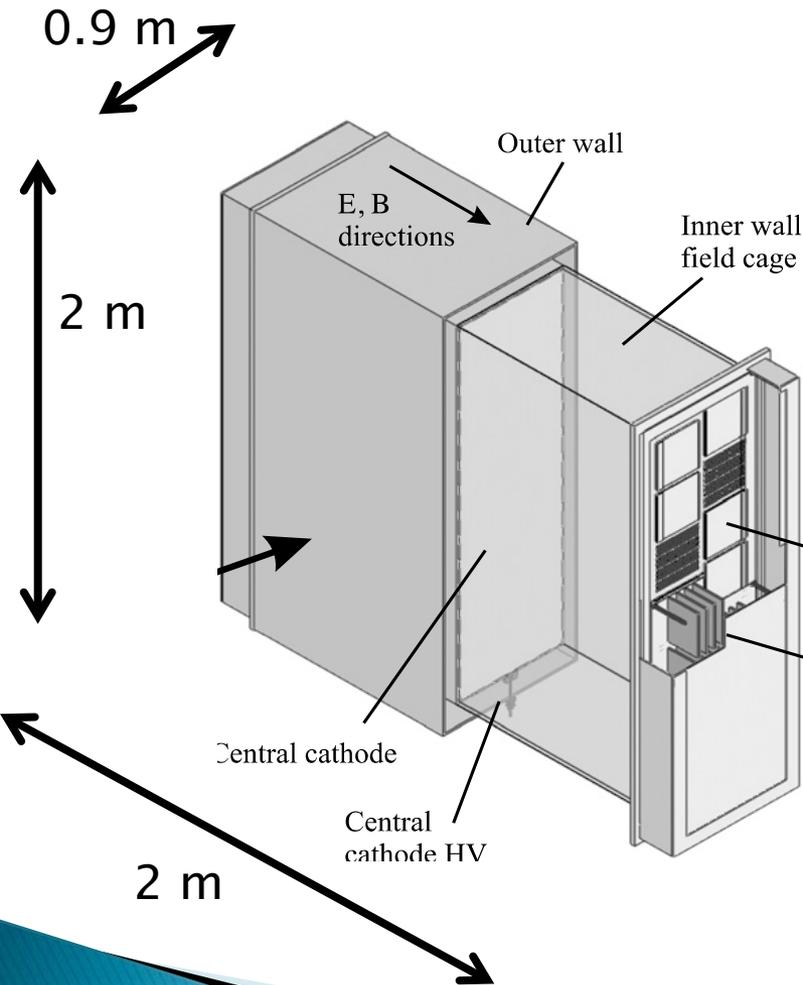
**PhD student** (candidate there but funding to be ensured):

- Geant 4 simulations related to TPC
- TPC prototype construction, commissioning, testbeam and data analysis

# Conclusions

- ▶ IFAE Neutrino group: Back to the roots!
  - ▶ Participating in the upgrade of T2K ND
  - ▶ Focussing on TPC where our expertise lays
  - ▶ Number of important positions in management organization
  - ▶ Challenging year with design, production and testing of TPC prototype lays ahead
  - ▶ Final TPCs have to be delivered in 2021 to Japan
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# Current horizontal TPCs



- dual gas volume design
- outer volume filled with CO<sub>2</sub>
- inner/sensitive volume with Ar:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>:CF<sub>4</sub> gas
- Pros:
  - electric insulation by CO<sub>2</sub> gas => undestrutable
  - practically no pressure difference between inner and outer volume => no deformation of inner walls
  - additional layer of gas purity protection
- Cons:
  - 2 volumes to be produced
  - large dead volume between subdetectors: ~10 cm

# New TPC Geometry

two of the dimensions are very large in  
kness).

