



# **Collider Experiments Mechanical Support, Vertex Detectors**

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# History; a few vertex detectors – in a collider environment;

- **RHIC** detectors;
  - PHEINX; VTX & FVTX
  - STAR; HFT
  - sPHENIX; MVTX
- **LHC** detectors; upgrades needed to cope with increasing luminosity
  - ATLAS; ITk
  - CMS
  - ALICE; ITS

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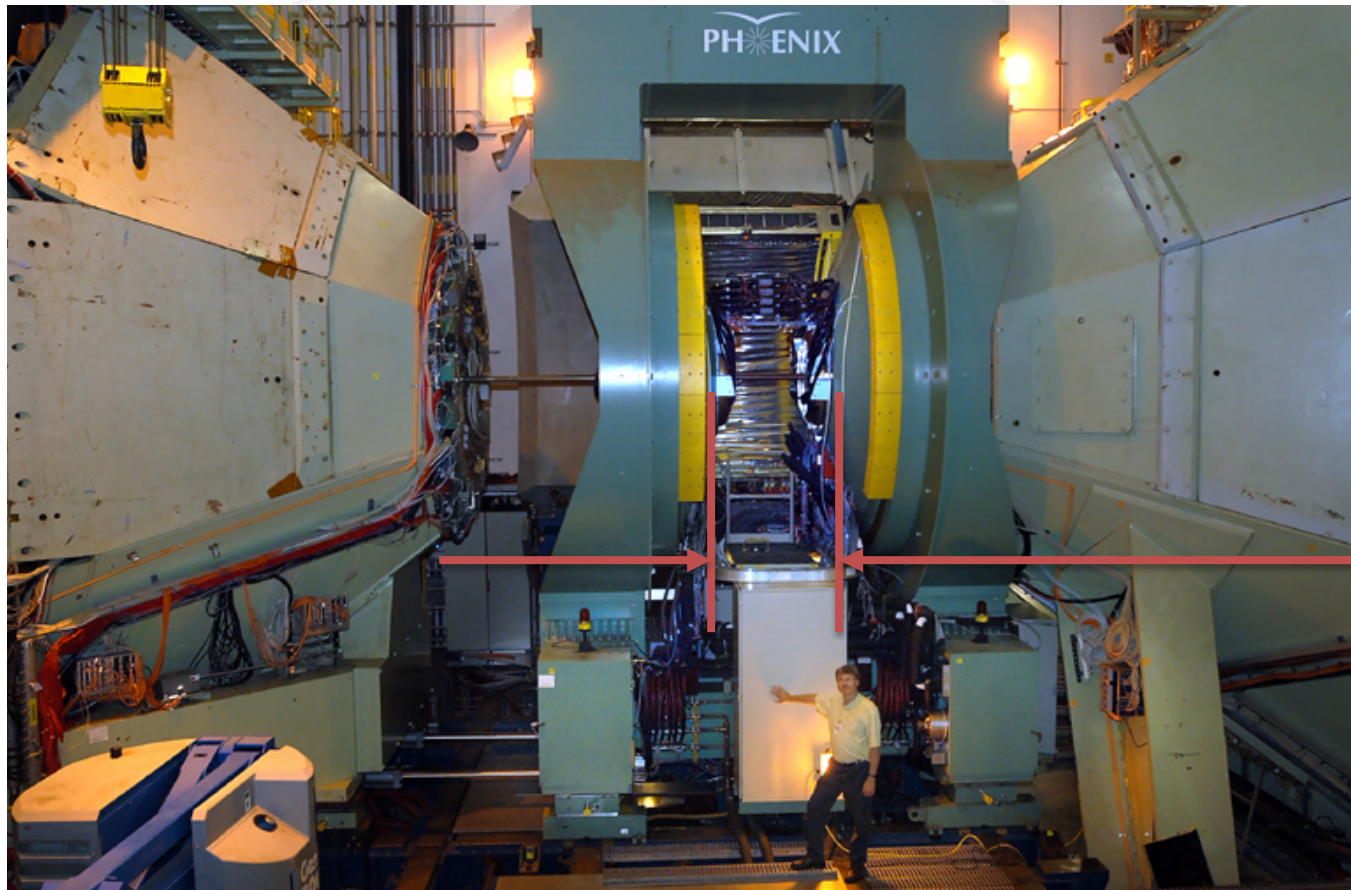
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# General design parameters;

- Physics design requirements – rapidity coverage
- Radiation length – keep at a minimum
- Detector type(s) - silicon
- Power dissipation
- Services – routing
- Cooling – liquid, gas
- Survey and alignment – fixtures - access
- Support tie off points
- Integration

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# RHIC; PHENIX



800.0 mm

Available space for a vertex detector 800.0 mm between central magnet pole tips,  
beryllium beam pipe outer diameter 41.53 mm

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# RHIC; PHENIX Vertex & Forward Vertex Detector

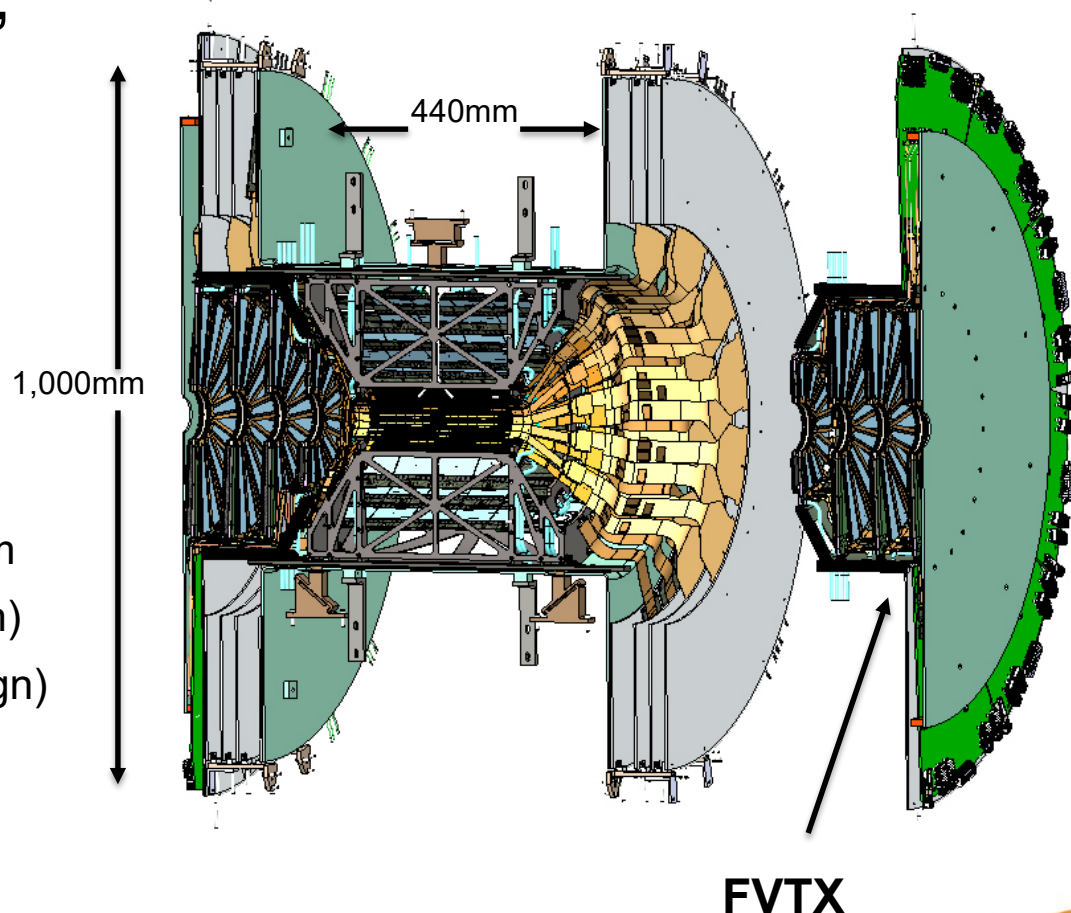
- Design parameters;

- VTX barrel region;

- 4 layers; 2 pixels, 2 strips

- FVTX assembly;

- 4 tracking stations (Disks)
  - $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4$
  - $\Phi$  acceptance =  $2\pi$
  - Silicon mini-strips, 2.8 – 11.2mm
  - 75. micron pitch (radial direction)
  - FPHX readout chip (FNAL design)
  - ~1.1M channels of readout

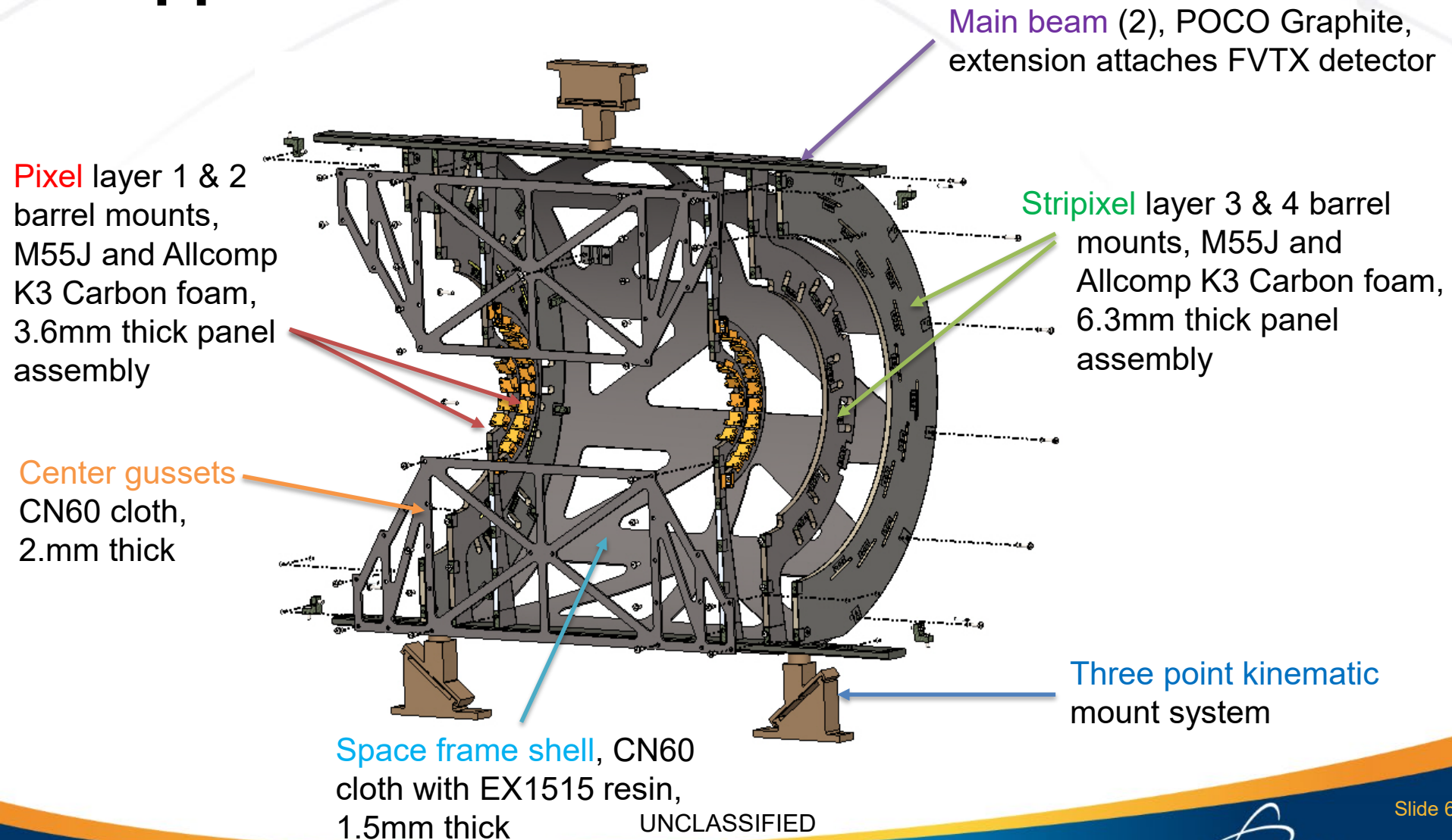


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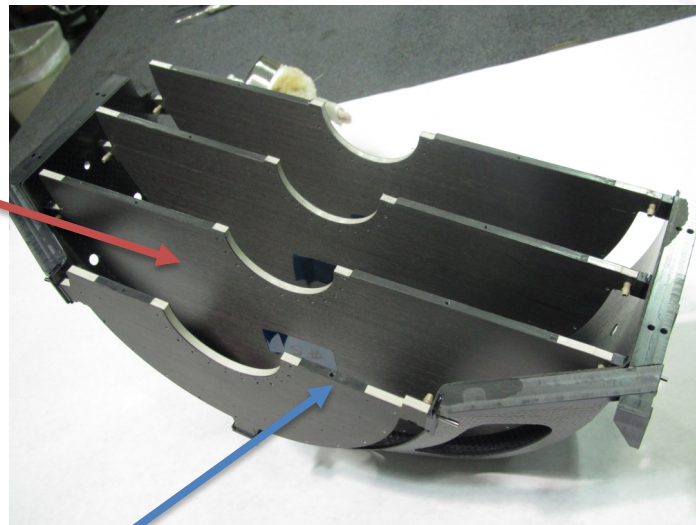
# RHIC; PHENIX Vertex detector structural support



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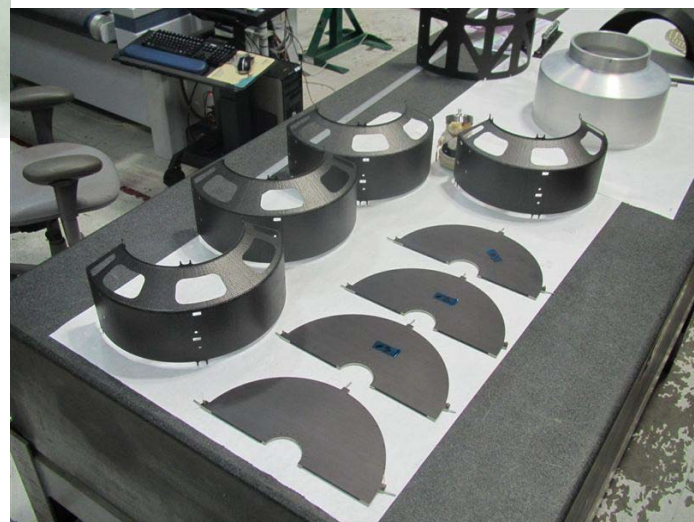
# RHIC; PHEINX FVTX composite pieces

K13C2U uni-fiber face  
sheets, .40mm thick



Carbon loaded PEEK  
pieces along the panel  
edges, includes cooling  
channel.

Coolant for VTX & FVTX  
3M NOVEC

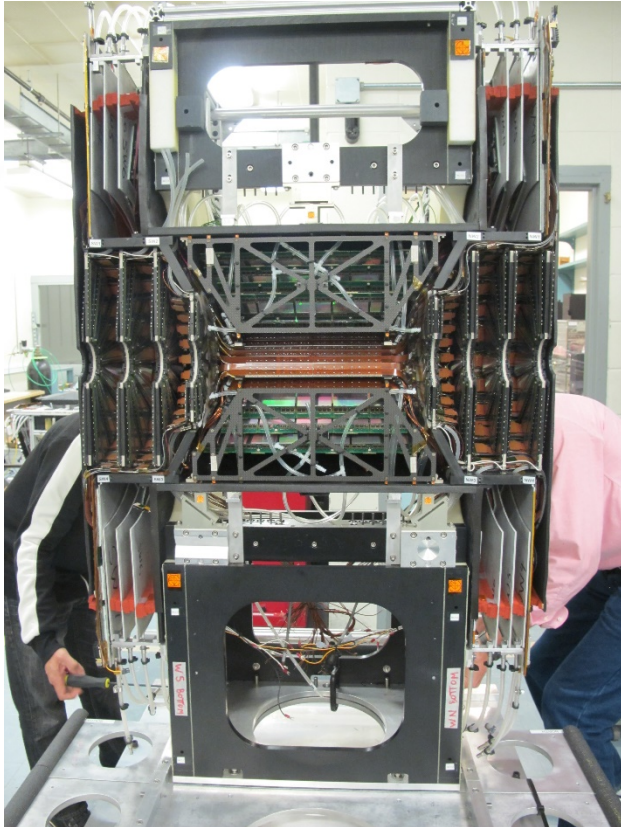


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# RHIC; PHENIX vertex detectors completed, aluminum super structure



Assembled VTX & FVTX, one half weight ~ 200 pounds, support structure aluminum



Half assembly installed between PHENIX central magnet poles.  
Elevating platform with rails

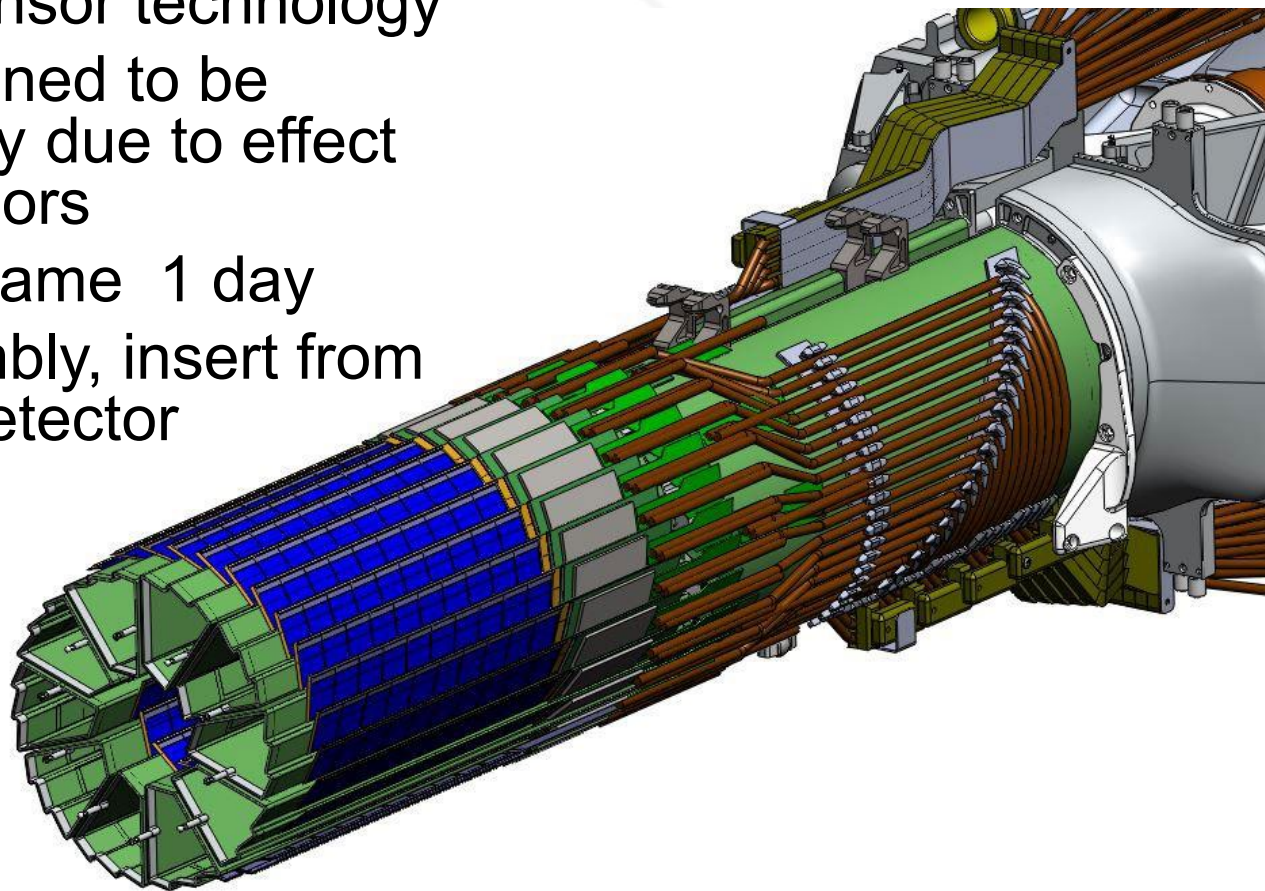
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# RHIC; STAR HFT vertex detector -

- First operational vertex detector based on MAPS sensor technology
- Pixel detector designed to be replaced periodically due to effect of radiation on sensors
- Replacement timeframe 1 day
- Cantilevered assembly, insert from one end of STAR detector



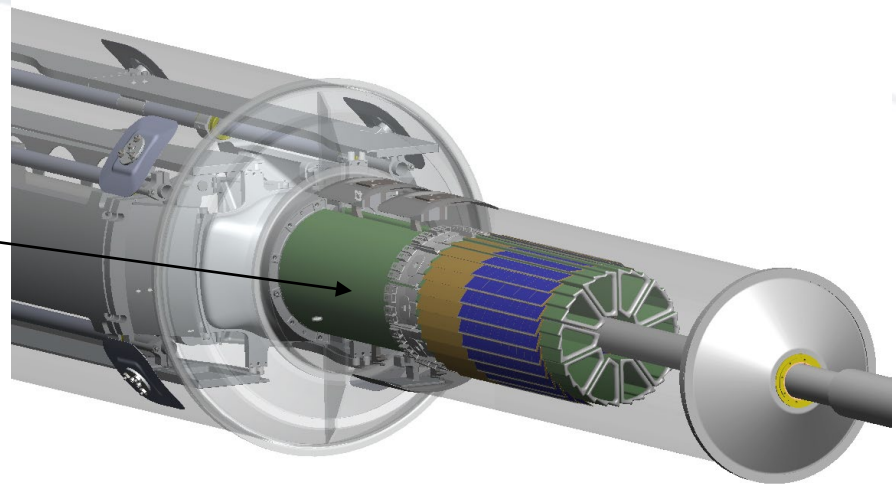
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# HFT - PXL Detector Mechanical Design;

Mechanical support with kinematic mounts (insertion side)

carbon fibre sector tubes ( $\sim 200\mu\text{m}$  thick), air cooling



**Insertion from one side**

**2 layers**

**5 sectors / half (10 sectors total)**

**4 ladders / sector**

Ladder with 10 MAPS sensors  
( $\sim 2 \times 2$  cm each)

Aluminum conductor Ladder Flex Cable

RDO  
buffers/  
drivers

MAPS

4-layer kapton cable with aluminium traces

20 cm



# RHIC; STAR half HFT assembly



Carbon composite support  
tube with air cooling channel,  
Air flow velocity 9 – 10 m/sec,  
Delta T - 11°C

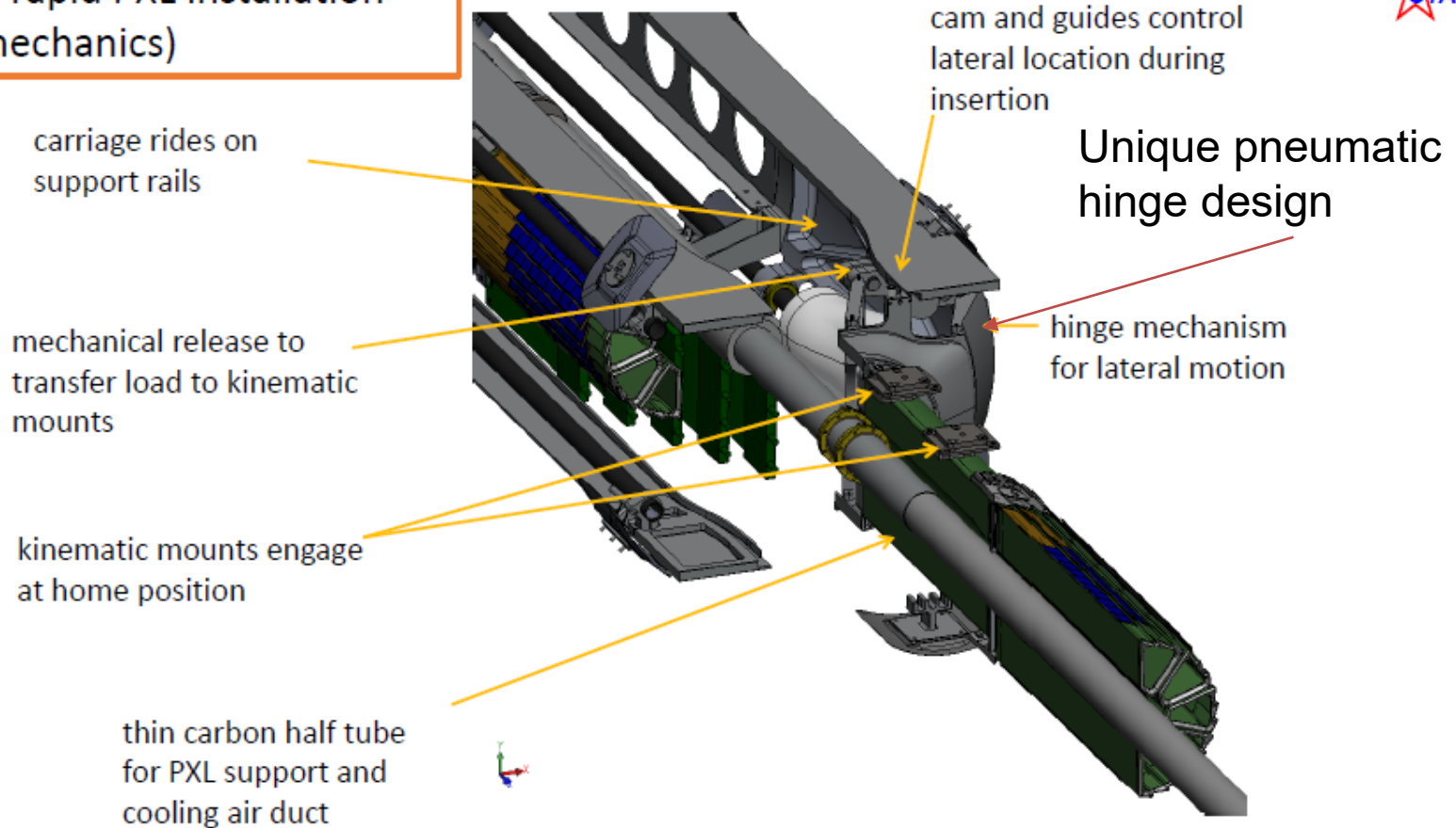
Estimate power  
dissipation 240 watts  
Si + drivers

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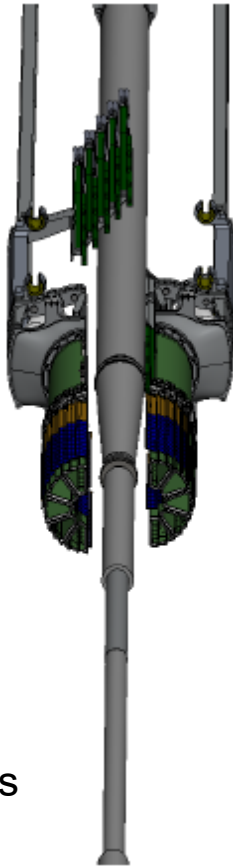
# RHIC; STAR HFT insertion mechanism

System for rapid PXL installation  
(internal mechanics)

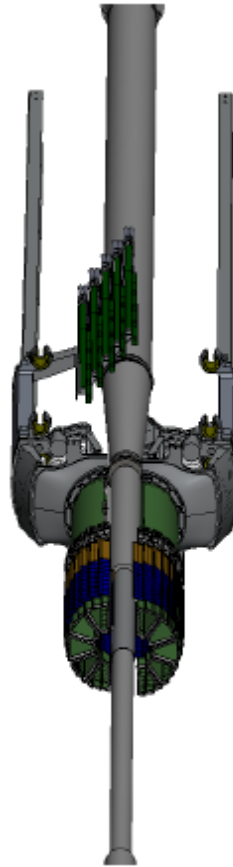




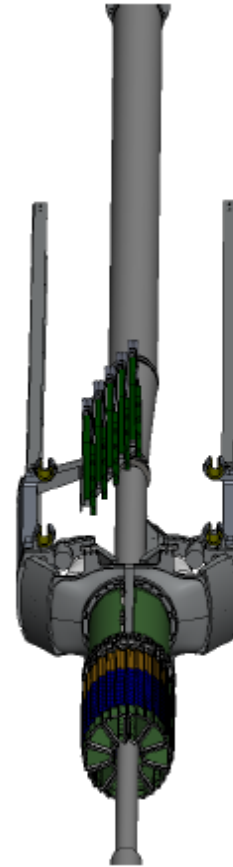
# RHIC; STAR HFT insertion around existing beam-pipe.



Open to clear  
beam-pipe flanges



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Fully inserted to IP and  
locked in kinematic  
mounts

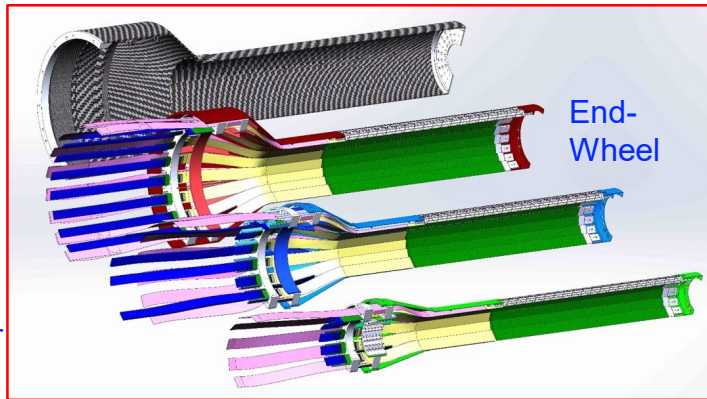
# RHIC; sPHENIX - MVTX Detector



**MVTX Detector volume modelled  
after the ALICE ITS inner detector**

CYSS: Cylindrical Shell  
Structure

Extended power  
FPC

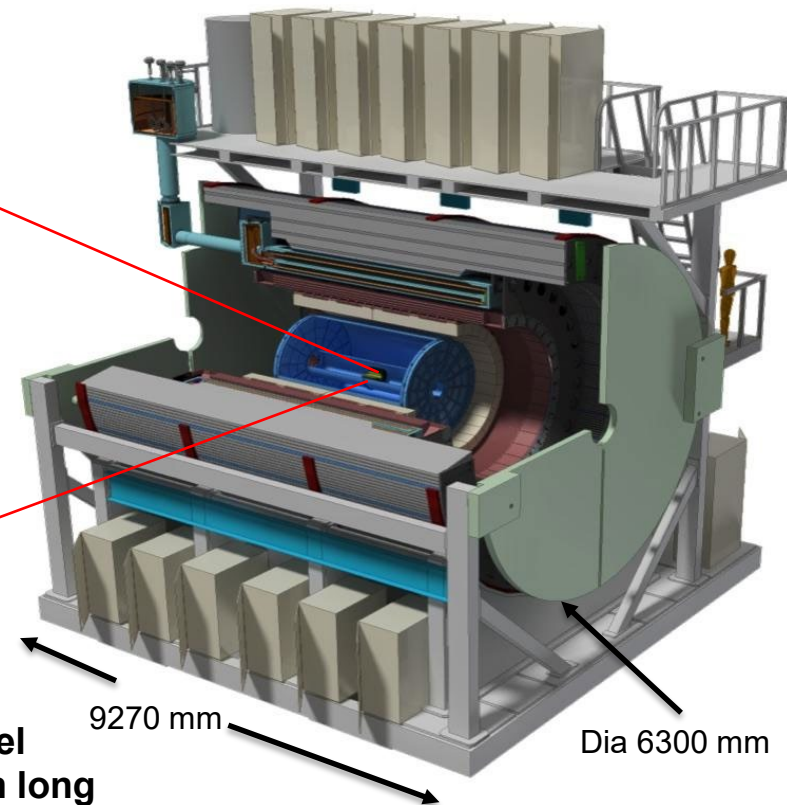


**MVTX  
parameters**

	R_min (mm)
Layer 0	24.61
Layer 1	31.98
Layer 2	39.93

**3-layer sensor barrel**  
- 48 staves, 27.1cm long  
- 432 ALPIDE chips

sPHENIX solenoid magnet  
and detector carriage



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# RHIC; sPHENIX MVTX half assembly with service barrel;

## CAD 3-D Model developed:

- Detector
- Service Barrel
- Global integration

CYSS: Cylindrical Shell Structure

MVTX Section View  
Showing half of cables, and cooling lines

Stiffener ribs

Detector support ring

End-Wheels

PP-2: Power and Cooling

PP-1: signals

PP-3: External world

Service Barrel

~1,000 mm length

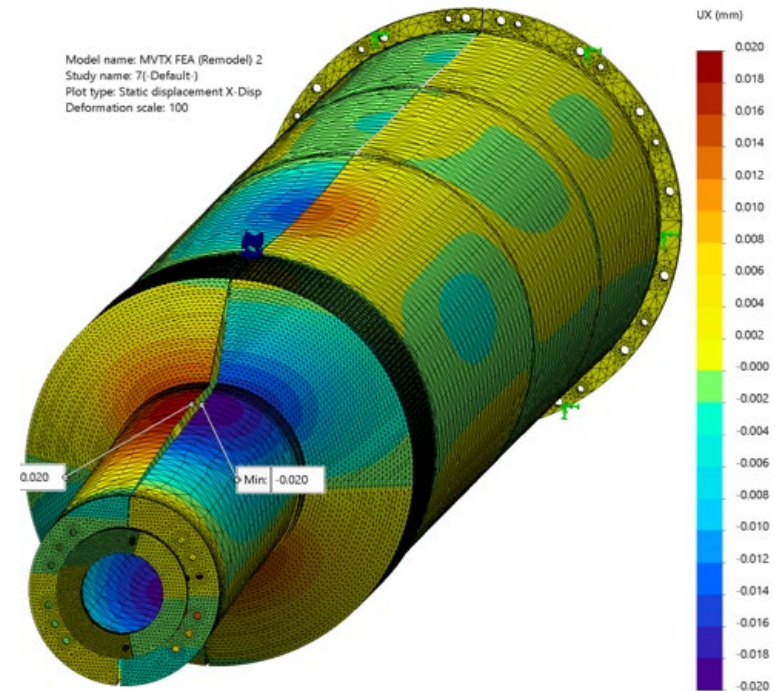
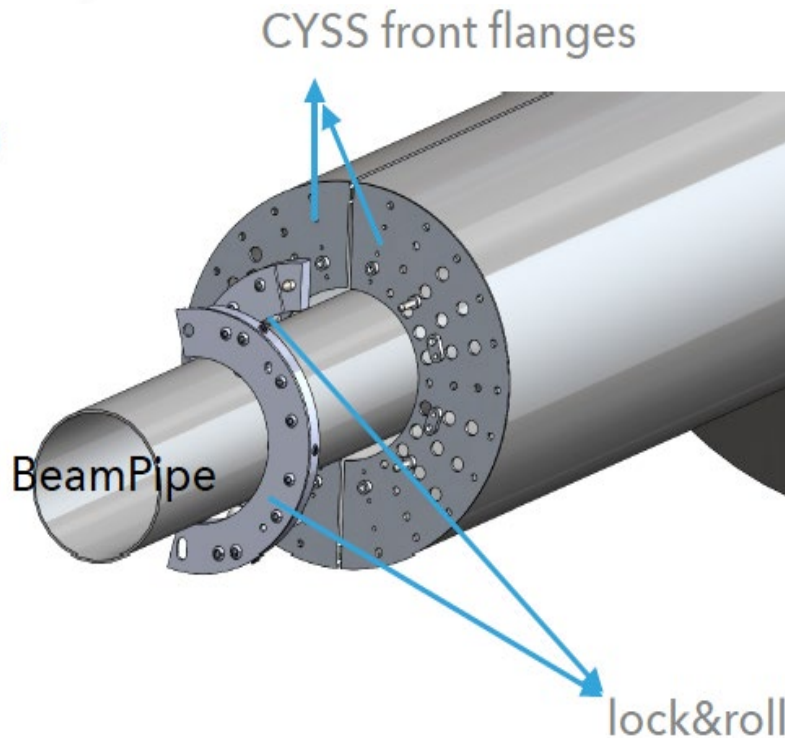
R 107.5 mm

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# RHIC; sPHENIX – MVTX, FEA study

MVTX detector will be installed after the beam-pipe, intermediate silicon strip detector and TPC have been installed. This restricted the radial volume for the MVTX

FEA analysis for cantilevered detector assembly gave a deflection of .283 mm with M55J, .218 mm using CN80



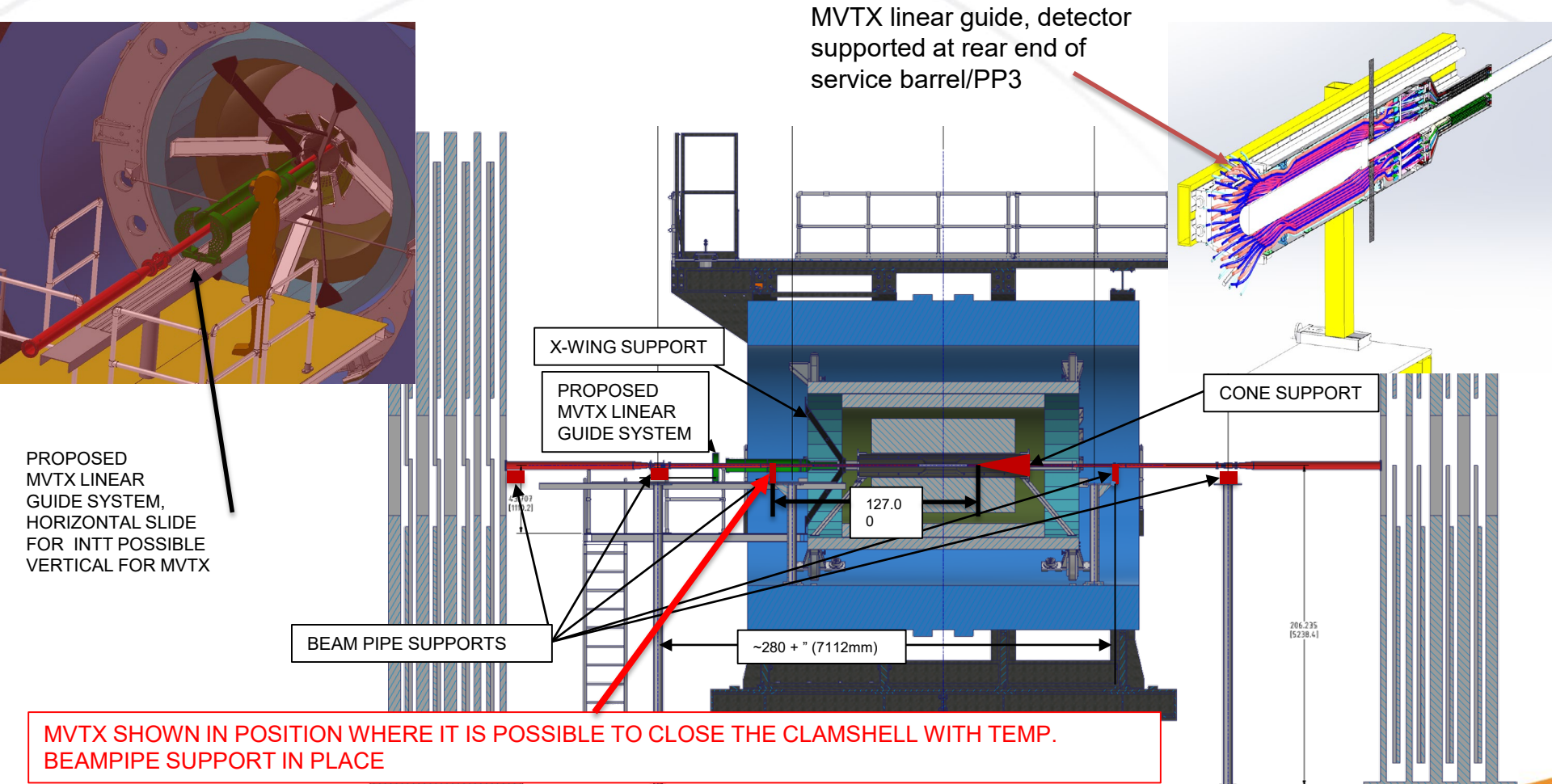
Total mass of detector plus service barrel 21.45 kgms

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# RHIC; sPHENIX – Beam-pipe – MVTX installation & support structure



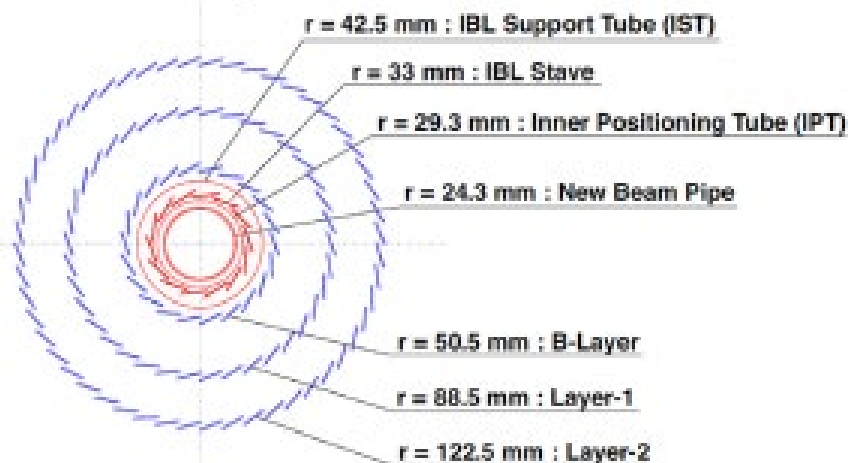
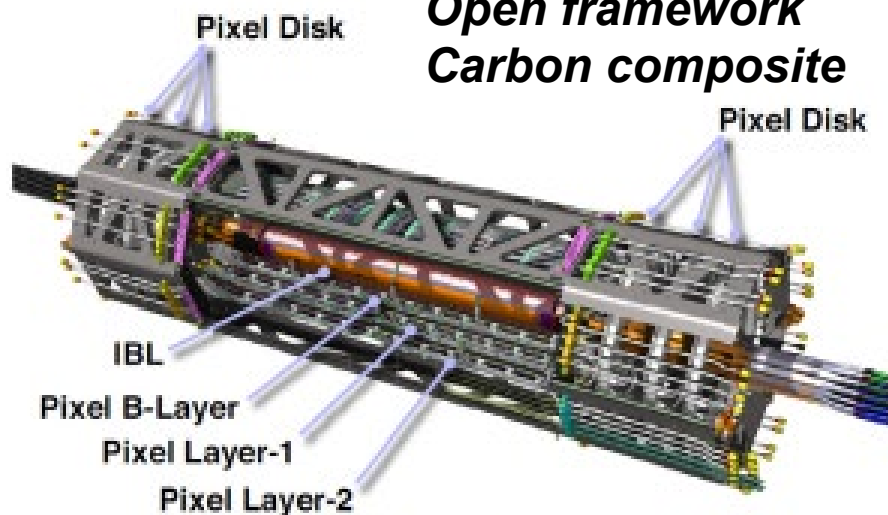
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# LHC; ATLAS pixel upgrade for Run 4, ITk

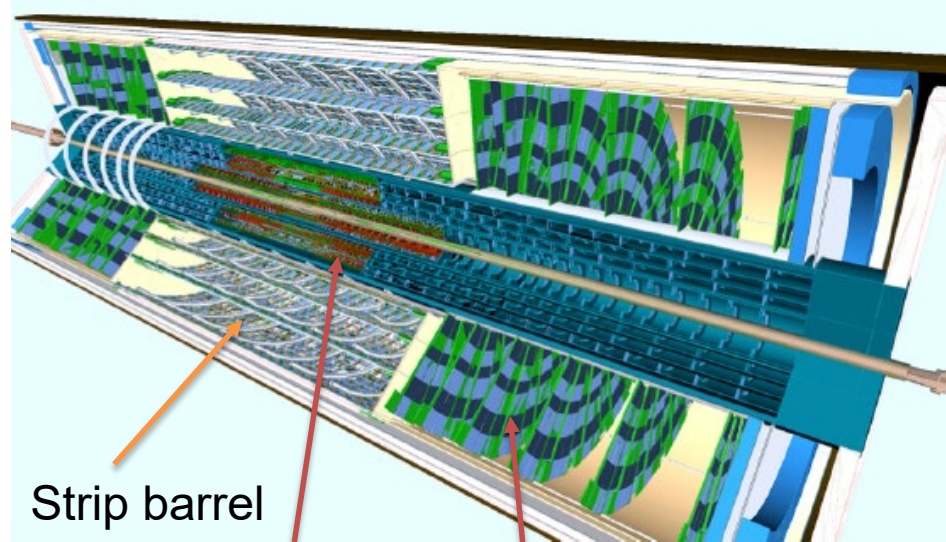
Original inner pixel detector, L  
1442 mm, diameter 430 mm

***Open framework  
Carbon composite***



***Closed set of cylinders***

**New ITk inner tracker for ATLAS**



Pixel inner tube

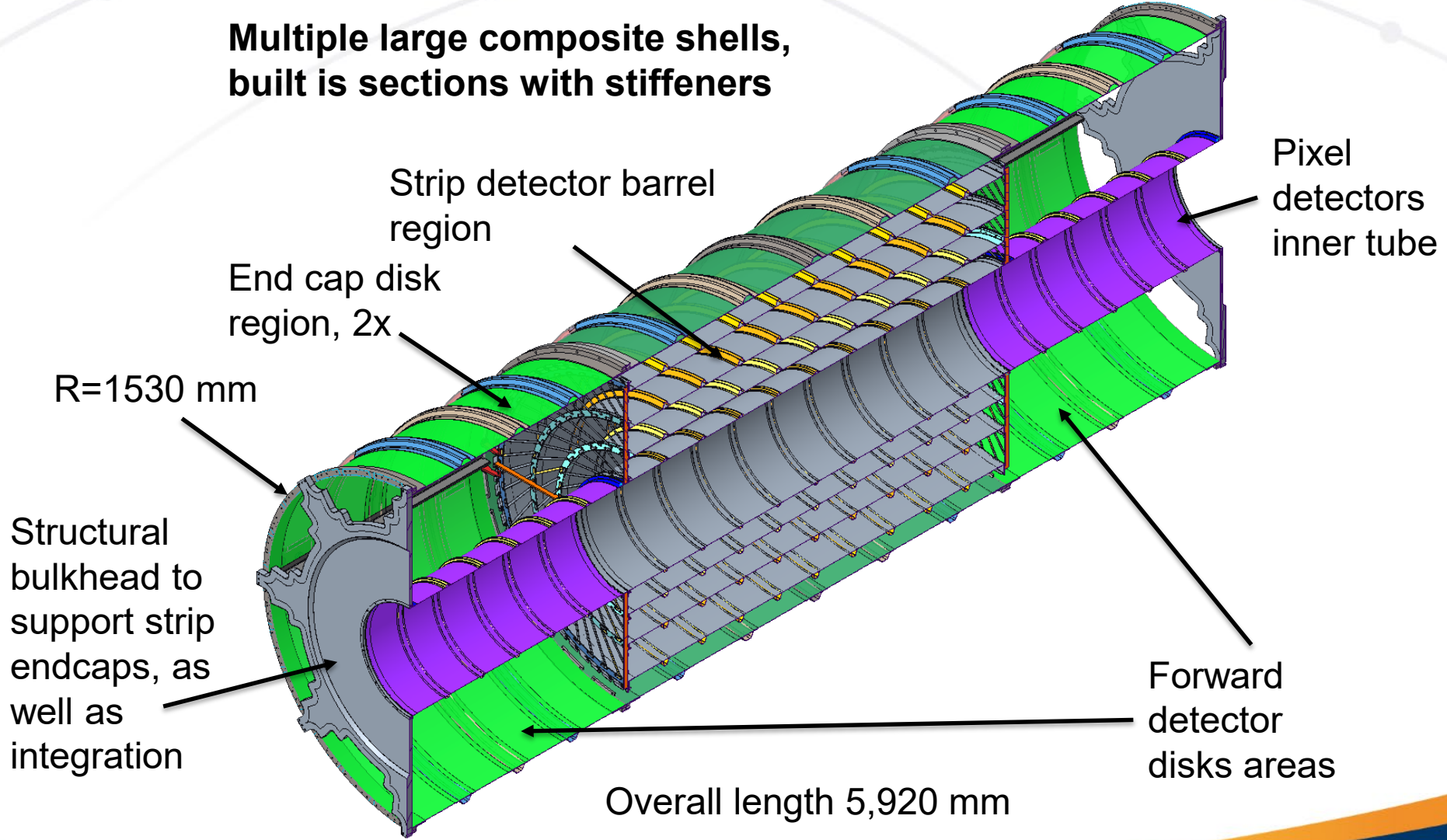
Pixel end cap(s)

Installation planned for 2024 - 2026

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# ITk Global Mechanical Structure

Multiple large composite shells,  
built in sections with stiffeners

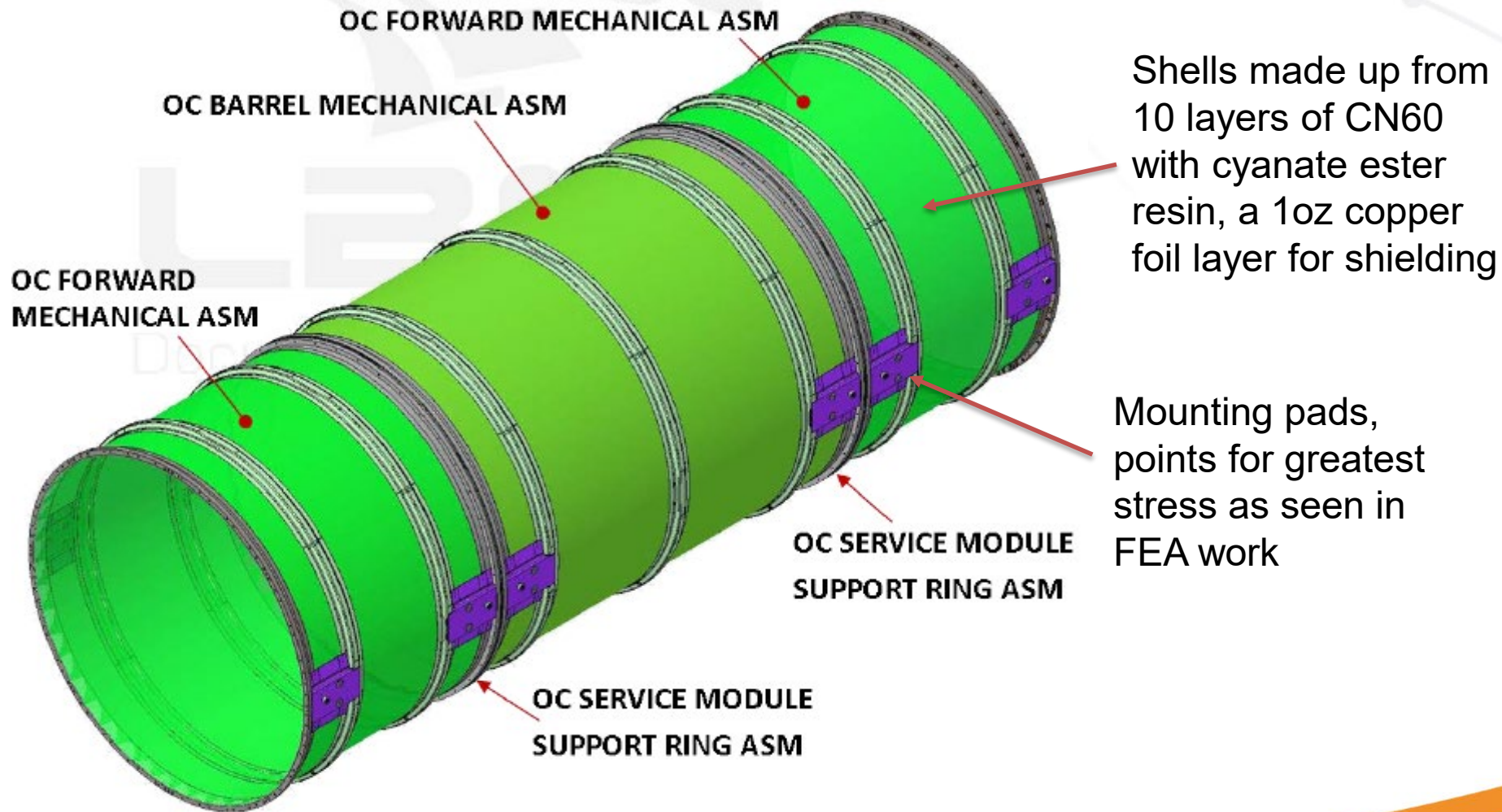


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# Itk outer cylinder assembly, three sections



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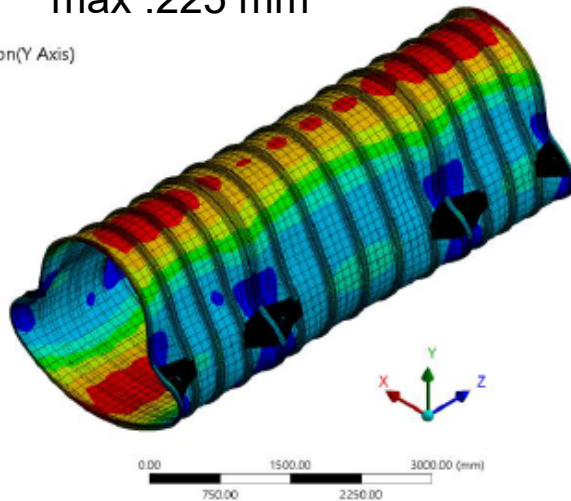
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# LHC; ATLAS – FEA of outer shell assembly

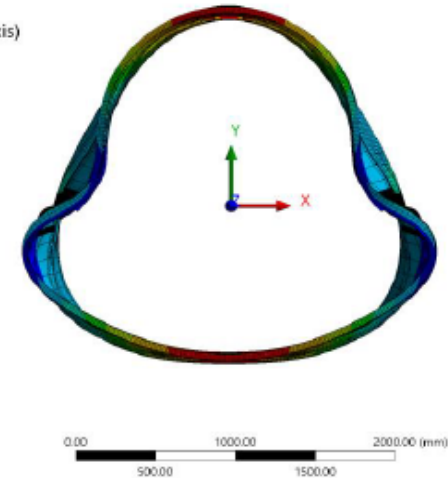
Y deformation  
max .225 mm

**B: Black Model**  
Directional Deformation Y  
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Unit: mm  
Global Coordinate System  
Time: 1  
Custom  
Max: -0.072287  
Min: -0.82098

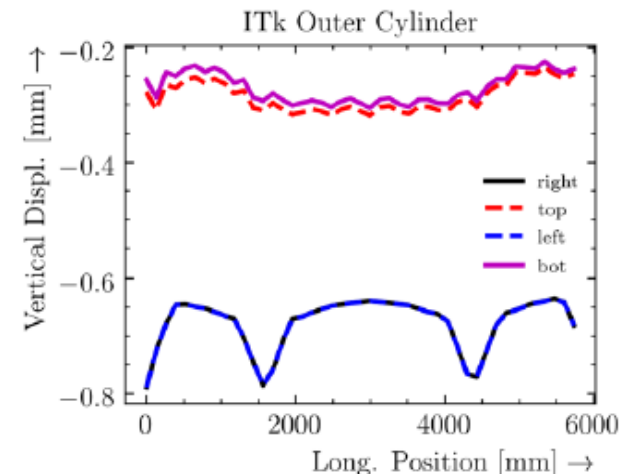


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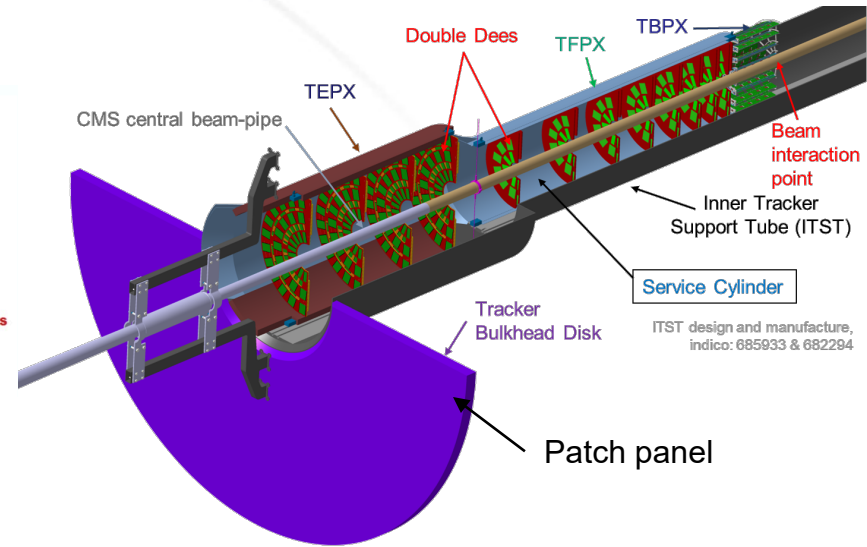
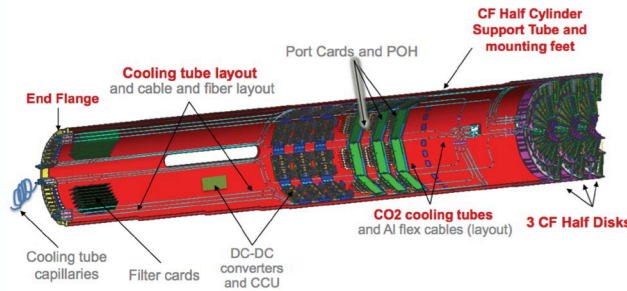


- Deformation **localized** around the Mount Pads
  - Non-negligible local **rotation**
- Negligible bending (along the length)
- Higher **vertical sag** on the shell **sides**
- Lower sag at the **top** and **bottom** surfaces



# LHC; CMS vertex detector upgrade

## Comparison of Phase I & Phase II



CMS Phase I Service Cylinder design:

- Double-wall of Carbon Fiber (K13C2U)
- Stiff/Rigid structure with 12mm of “Wall thickness”

4 layers, 6 disks

→ CMS Phase II Service Cylinder constraints:

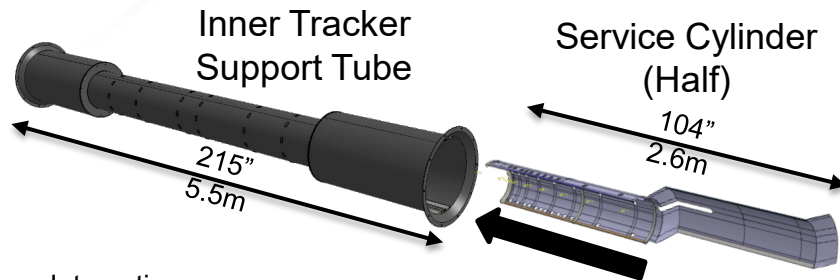
- **A lot** more space for services
- **Needs a design with < 1mm wall thickness**

4 layers, 24 disks

Scheduled installation 2024-2025

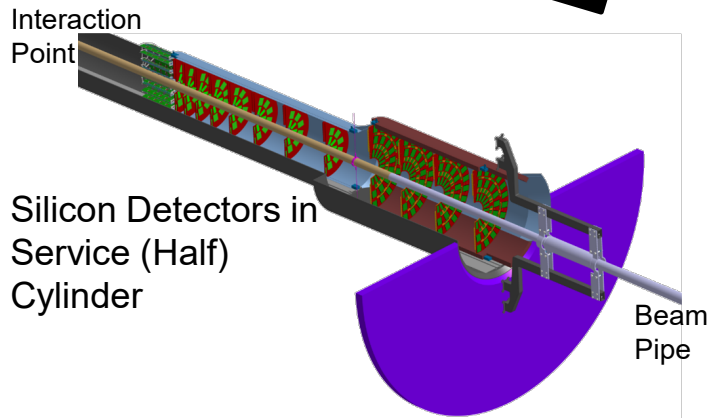
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# LHC; CMS Phase 2 inner tracker structure;



- Designed 3 kg composite structure to support ~25 kg\* detector and services
- Fabricated prototype service cylinder
- Validated structural simulations

\*Specified at time of design. Closer to 40kg in latest.



Cooling; 2 phase CO<sub>2</sub>, operate sensors <-20°C

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# LHC; CMS FEA structural analysis of outer cylinder;

## Tradeoff between structural stiffness and mass:

Using Abaqus composite shell model, including skid at TFPX center

▨ Fixed Boundary  
▲ Reaction from Track

Design 1:

$$U_{max,TEPX} = 0.632 \text{ mm}$$

$$U_{max,TFPX} = 0.345 \text{ mm}$$

$$M = 2.77 \text{ kg}$$

Design 2:

$$U_{max,TEPX} = 0.635 \text{ mm}$$

$$U_{max,TFPX} = 0.319 \text{ mm}$$

$$M = 2.96 \text{ kg}$$

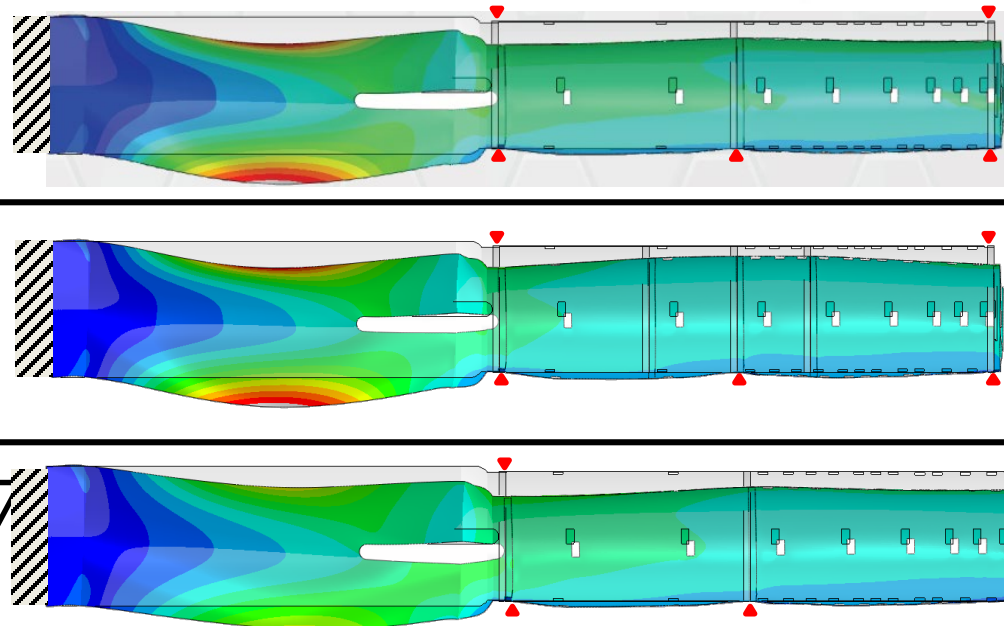
Design 3:

$$U_{max,TEPX} = 0.430 \text{ mm}$$

$$U_{max,TFPX} = 0.358 \text{ mm}$$

$$M = 3.34 \text{ kg}$$

Increasing mass



200x scale factor

Contours show magnitude of the deflection.

CMS - Preliminary results

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# CMS prototype service cylinder shell layup;

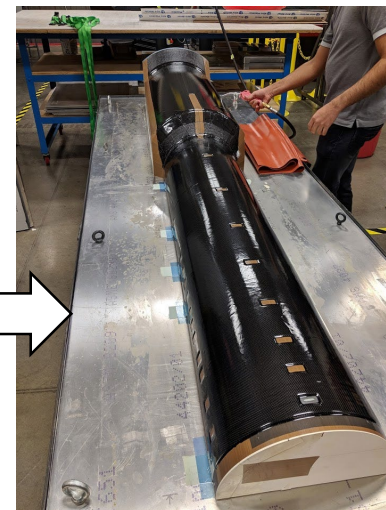
- Plies cut to shape, including services windows
- Hand layup onto tool with silicone caul sheet, breather, vacuum bag
- Part cured on cart in walk-in oven at CMSC



Hand layup



Vacuum bagging



Cured part

Material used in prototype layup;

Plain weave; AS4 fibers, NB321 resin, 356gsm

Unidirectional, continuous fiber tape: TR50S fibers, NB321 resin, 232gsm

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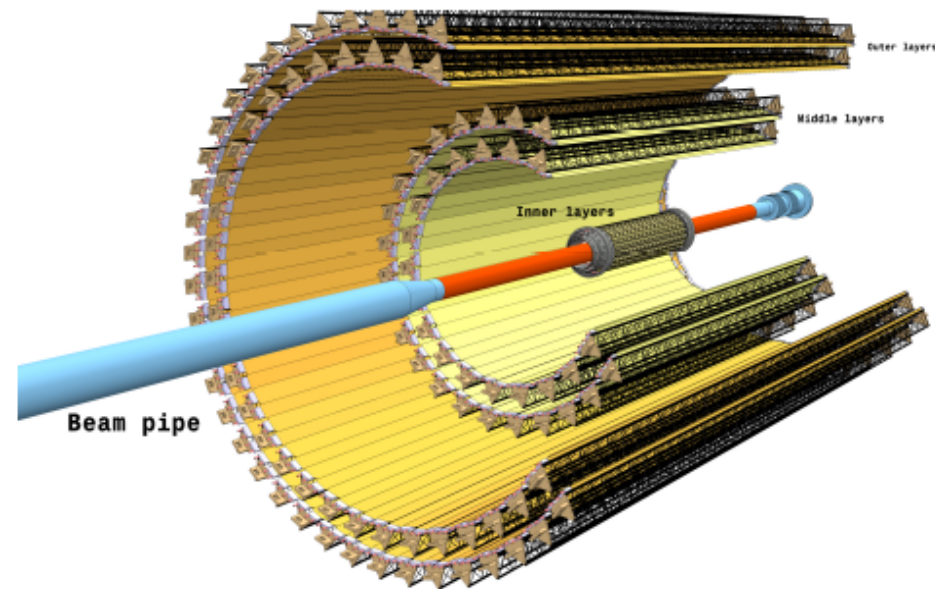
# LHC: ALICE ITS upgrade vertex detector



## The ITS upgrade

Improve physics reach for low-mass dilectrons and rare probes at low  $p_T$  e.g.: B meson, D meson,  $\Lambda_c$  baryon by improving vertex resolution, tracking efficiency and readout rate.

- ▶ 7 cylindrical layers covering  $10m^2$
- ▶ increase the readout rate to 100kHz
- ▶ reduce pixel size to  $27\mu m \times 29\mu m$
- ▶ reduce the radius of the innermost layer from 39mm to 23mm
- ▶ Material budget:
  - ▶ Inner Barrel: material budget of 0.35%  $X_0$ /layer
  - ▶ Outer Barrel: material budget: 1.1%  $X_0$ /layer



7 layers of MAPS sensors, neg-pressure  
water cooled staves, room temperature

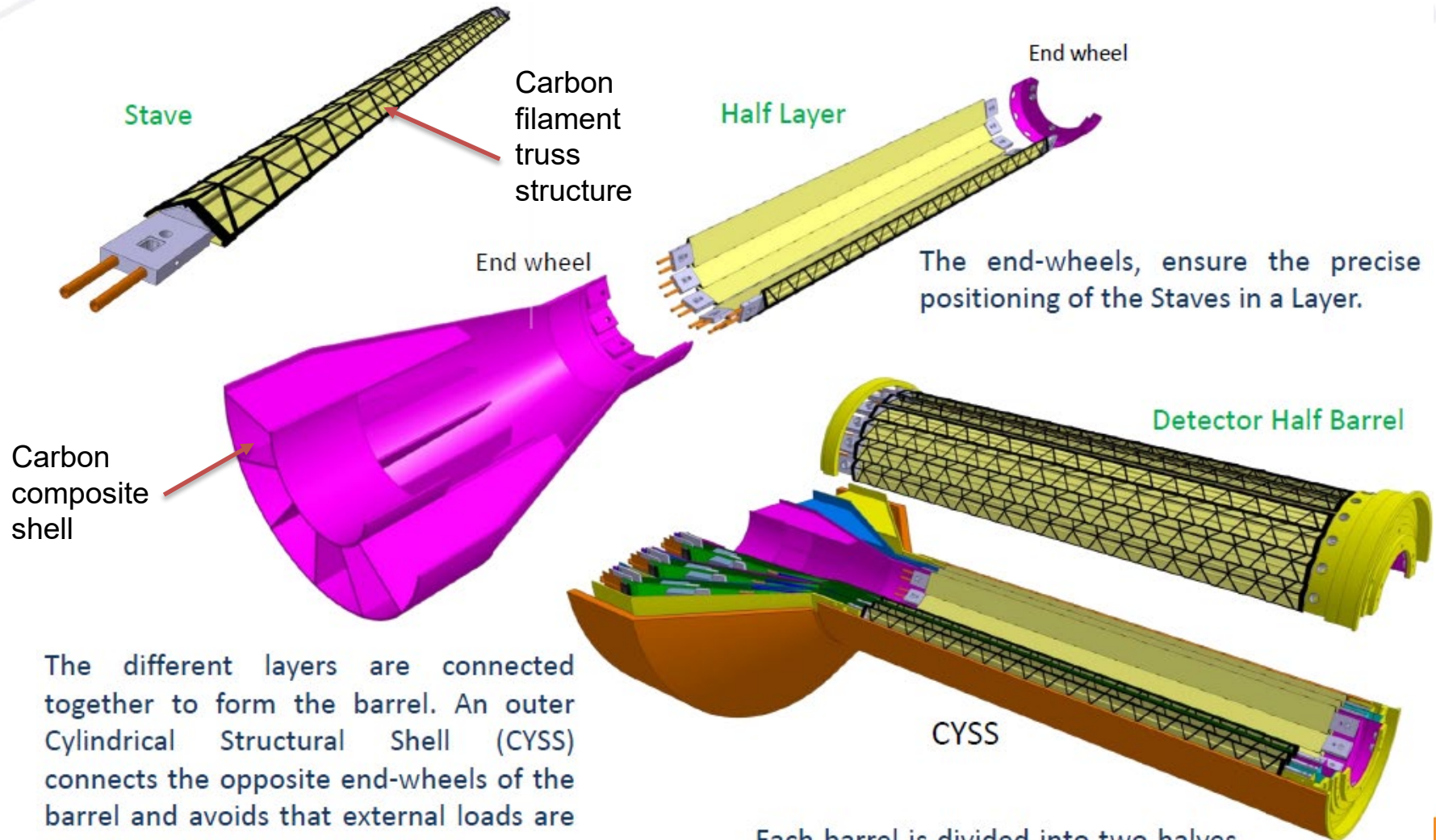
Total 12.5G pixels

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# LHC; ALICE ITS inner detector barrel

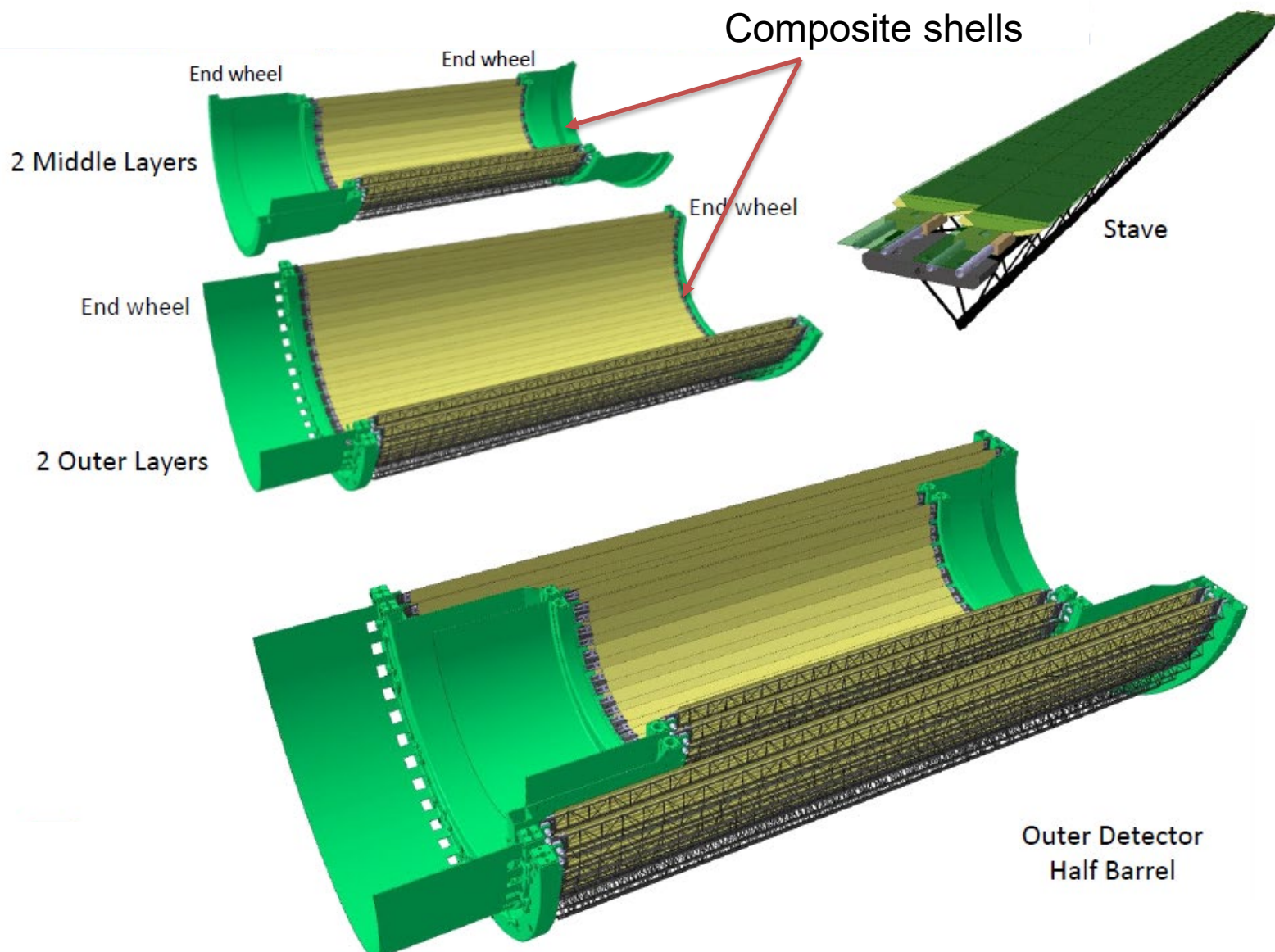


The different layers are connected together to form the barrel. An outer Cylindrical Structural Shell (CYSS) connects the opposite end-wheels of the barrel and avoids that external loads are transferred directly to the Staves.

Each barrel is divided into two halves, top and bottom, which are mounted separately around the beam pipe.



# LHC; ALICE middle and outer barrels

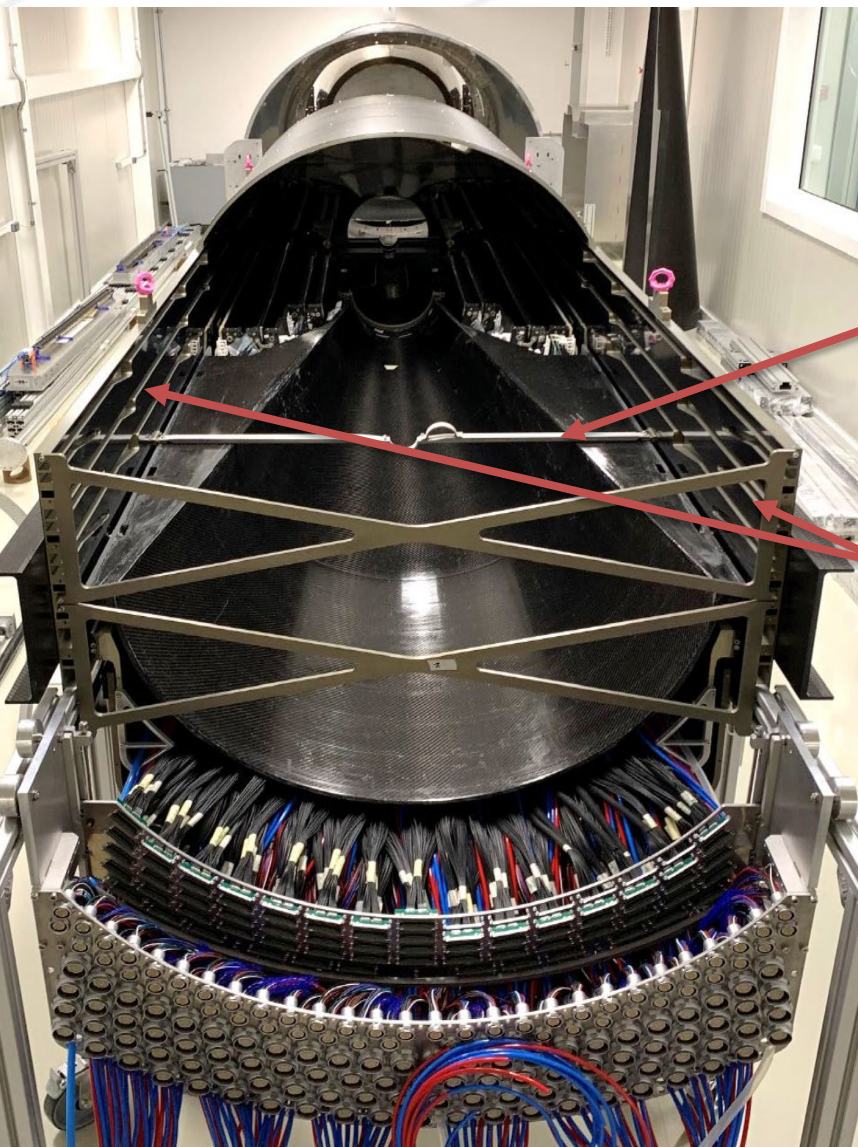


Outer Detector  
Half Barrel



Middle and outer layers mounted in insertion tube with rails, carbon composite shells, aluminum tracks

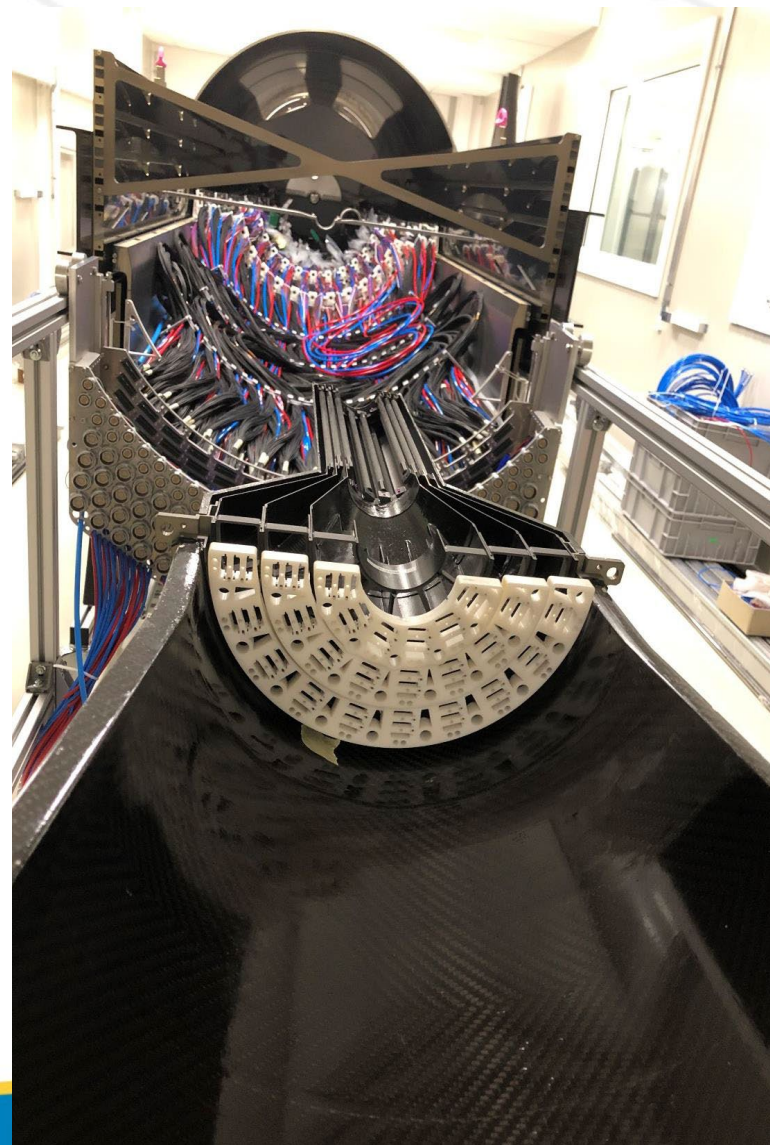
Inner detector layer shell assembly being added to middle and outer layers



Beam-  
pipe  
support

Layer  
insertion  
tracks

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# EIC; possible, concerns, issues

- Best configuration, singular assembly or split
  - A single barrel assembly
  - An open framework cage assembly
- Environment
  - Magnetic field
  - Shielding
  - Temperature, cooling
  - Grounding
- Beam-pipe
  - Existing or later installed
  - Bake-out, neg-coating
  - Alignment
- R & D activities
  - WP-4 mechanics group at CERN

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# Thank you for your attention:



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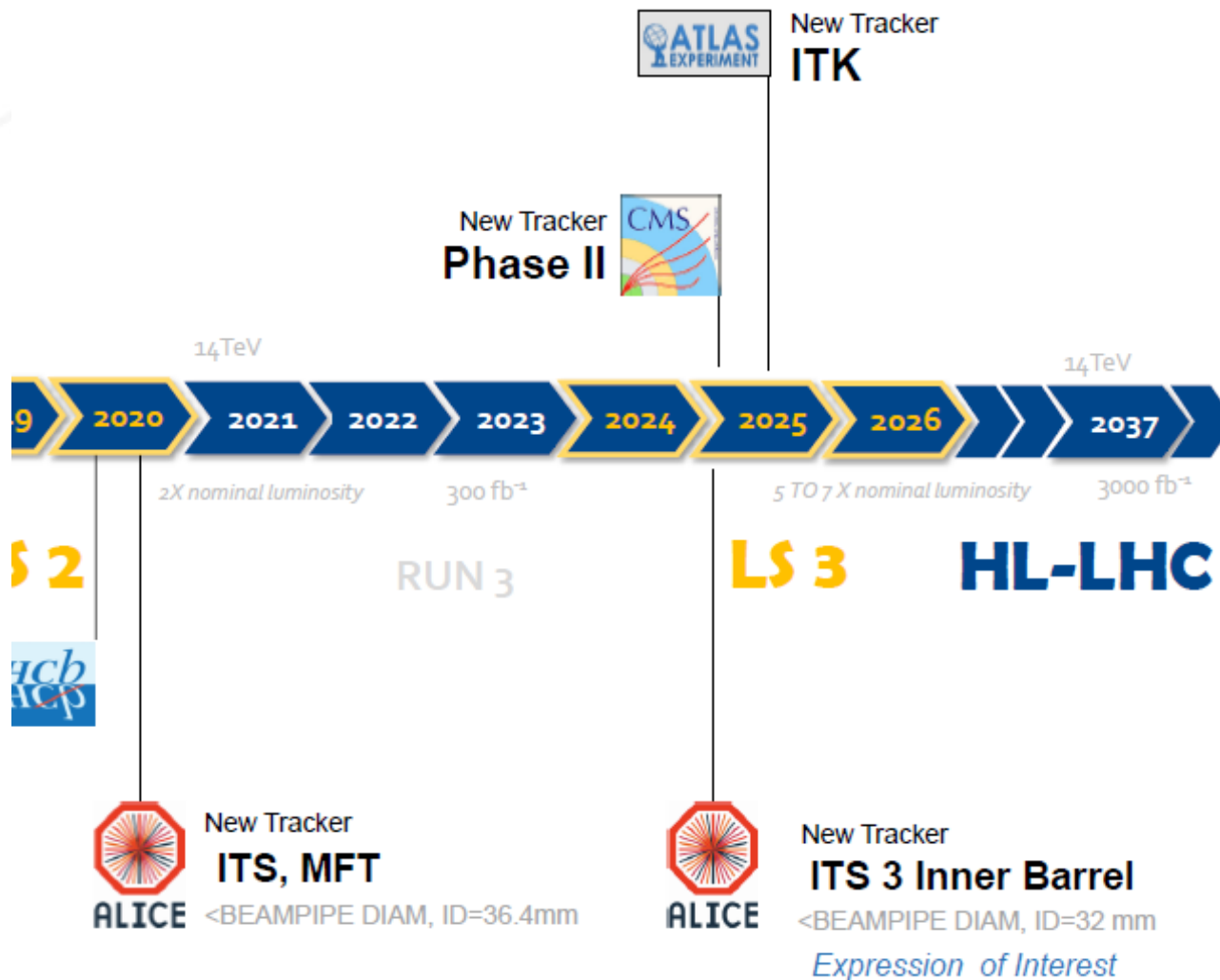
# Back up slides:

- Suggested references:
  - <https://indico.cern.ch/event/696066/>
    - See Corrado Gargiulo and Antti Onnela's talk
  - <https://indico.cern.ch/event/775863/timetable/?view=standard>
    - Forum on tracking detector mechanics
- Acknowledgement
  - I would like to thank many authors who have published articles on these detectors, from which I have taken information that has become part of this presentation

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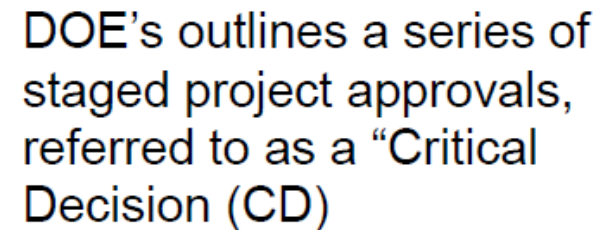
# LHC Projected timeline for upgrade installation;



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# EIC Project Planning



CD-1: March 2021  
Alternative and Cost Range

CD-2: September 2022  
Performance baseline

CD-3: September 2023  
Start construction

CD-4a: September 2029  
Start operation

CD-4b: September 2031  
Full RF Power Installed



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