



# Detector Development for SoLID from Chinese Collaborators

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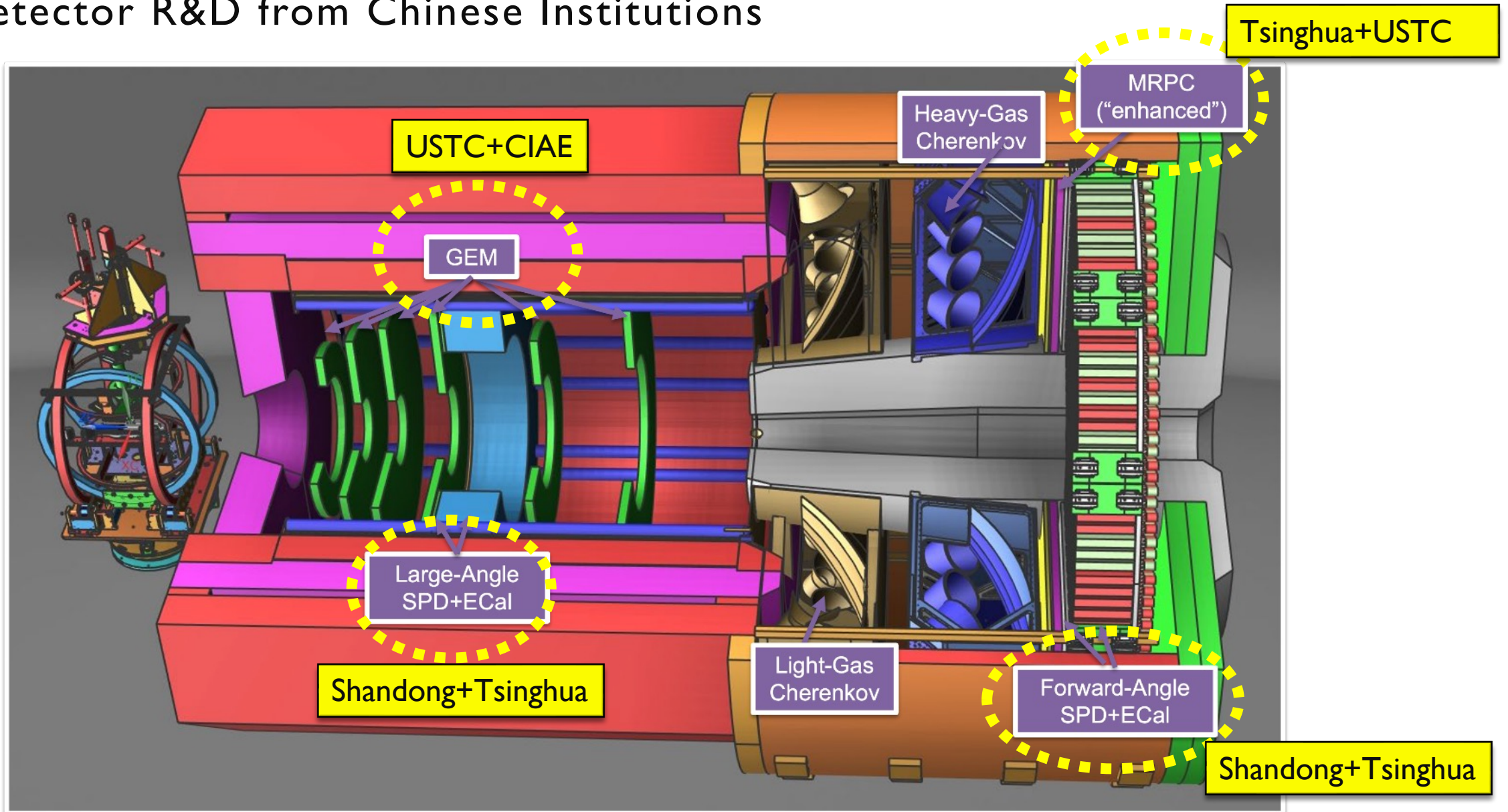
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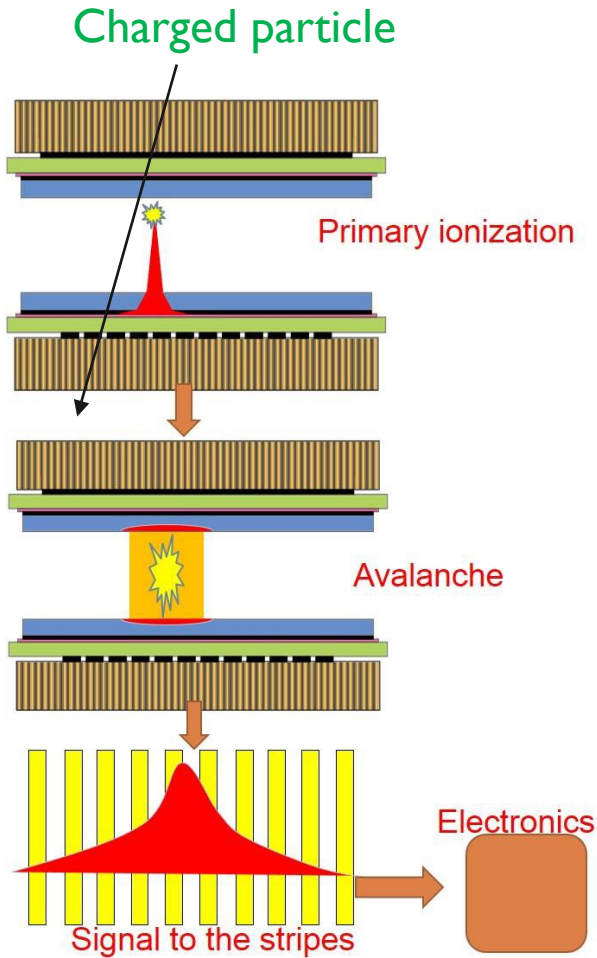
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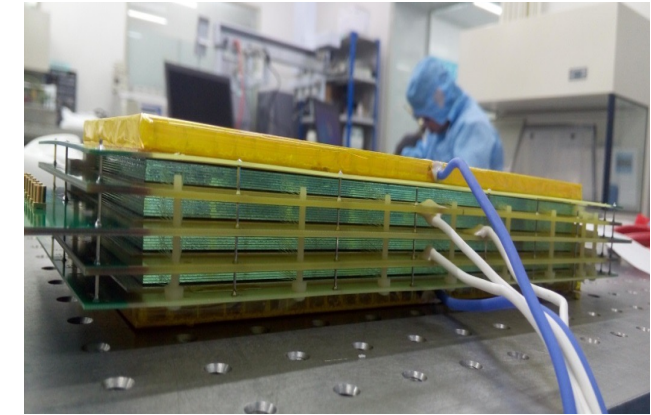
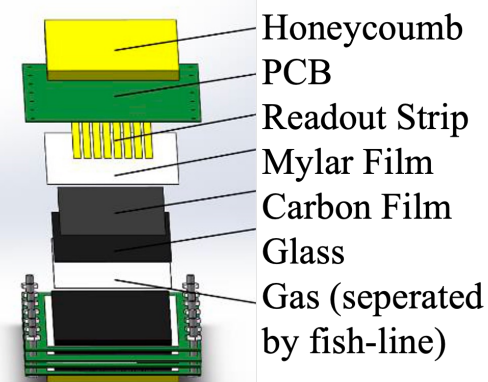
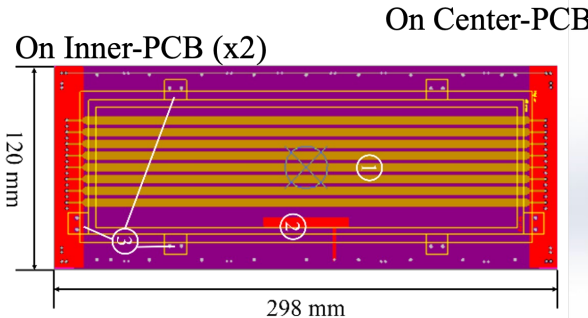
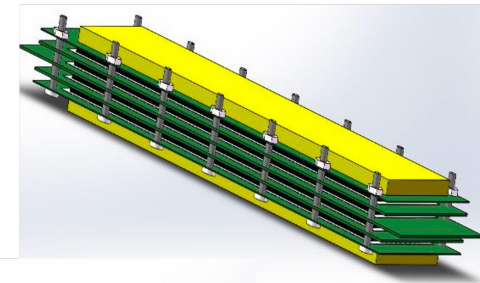
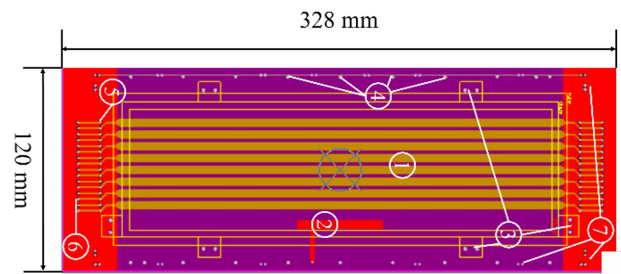
## ➤ Detector R&D from Chinese Institutions



## ➤ General Principle



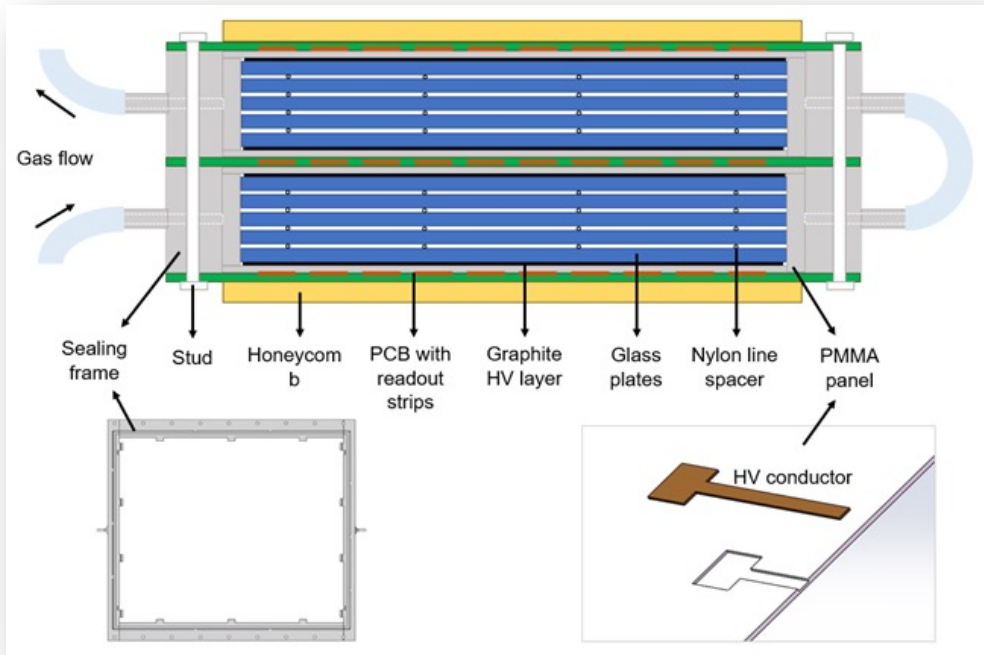
- ❑ Low-resistivity glass plates, Standard gas (95% F134a + 5% iso-butane), HV(~12kV)
- ❑ Good performances:  
time resolution, efficiency, rate capacity ( $>30\text{kHz}/\text{cm}^2$ ), radiation-hard, magnet safe
- ❑ Certain spatial resolution (by strip pitch)
- ❑ Low cost, easy manufacturing, large sensitive area (up to 1.0m x 0.5m)
- ❑ Used by ALICE, STAR, etc.



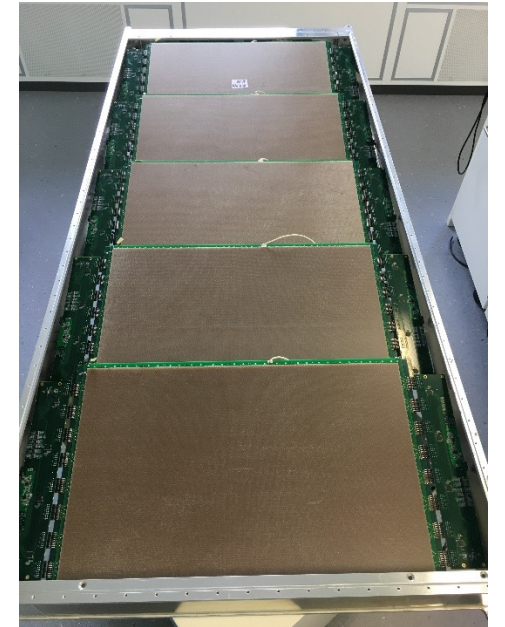
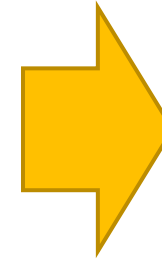
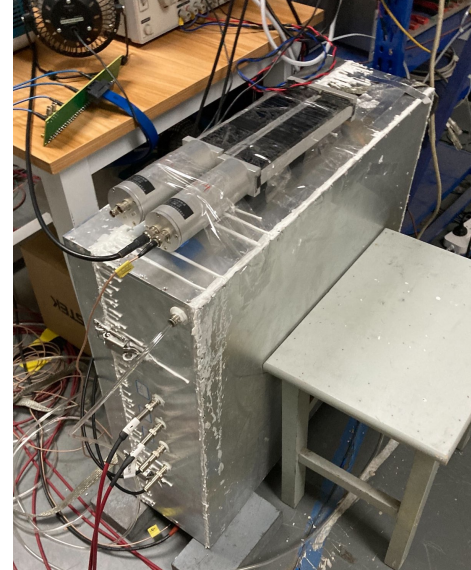


## ➤ Tsinghua's new Sealed MRPC (sMRPC)

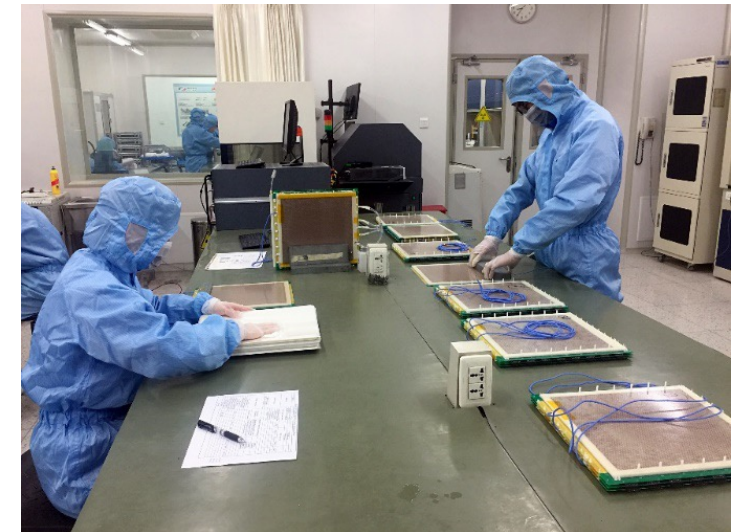
- ❑ Gen3 MRPC with sealed gas → No more boxes!
- ❑ More compact, less radiation length
- ❑ Reduce greenhouse gas emission (20cc/cm<sup>2</sup>/min)



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- ❑ Tsinghua's Miyun workshop: mass production of sMRPC





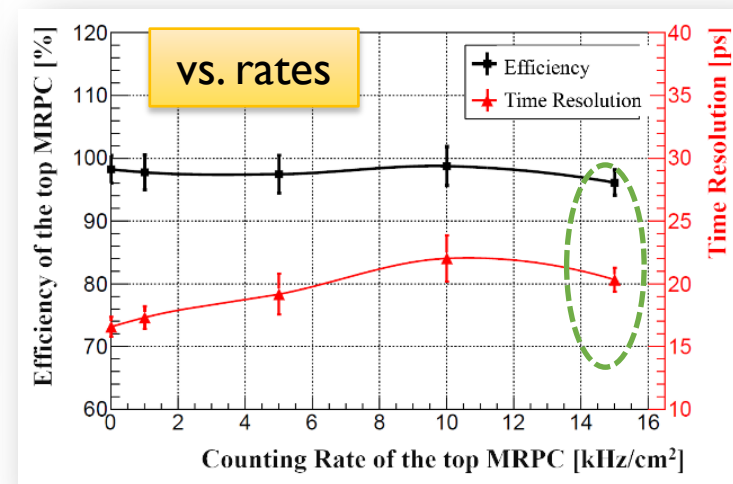
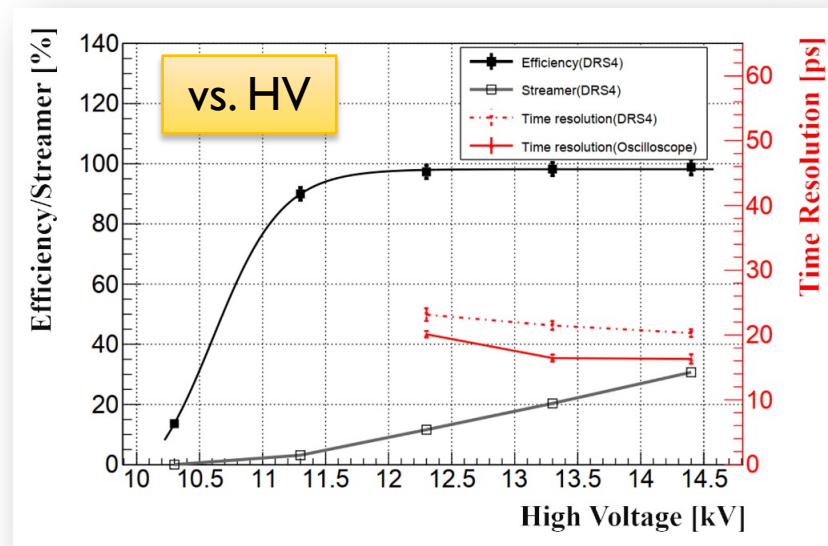
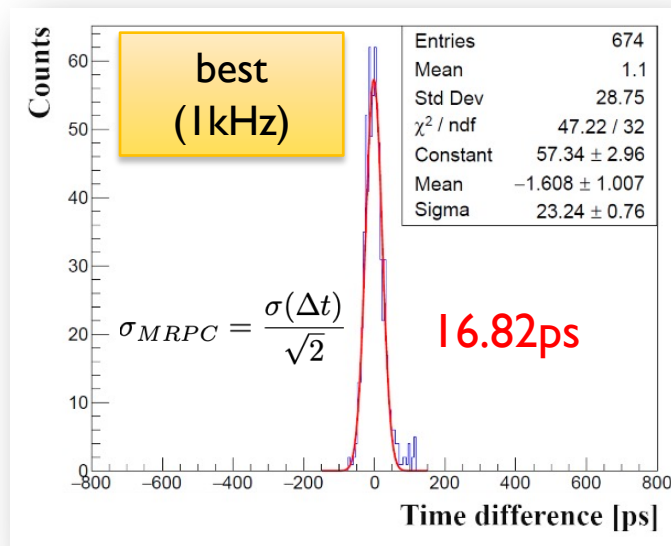
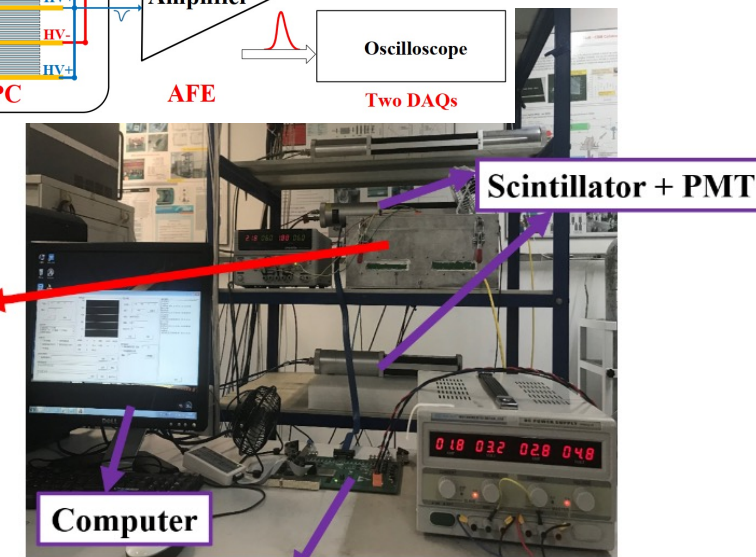
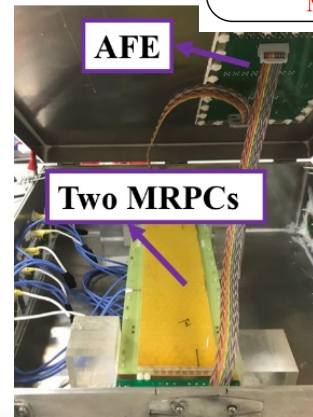
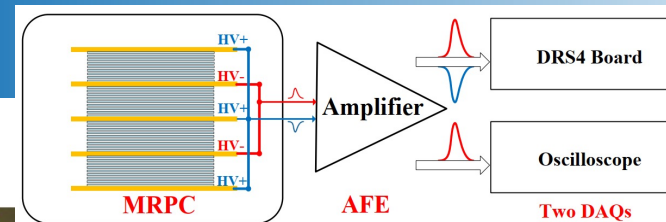
## ➤ Tsinghua's Sealed MRPC (sMRPC)

☐ Most recent tests: cosmic ray with x-ray background

- ✓ 32-gaps (4 stacks), 400um thin glasses
- ✓ 104um gas-gap + waveform-sampling → 20ps & 95% efficiency at 15kHz
- ✓ 128um gas-gap + ToT method → 20ps at 15kHz

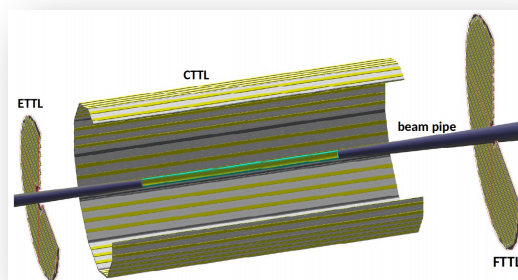
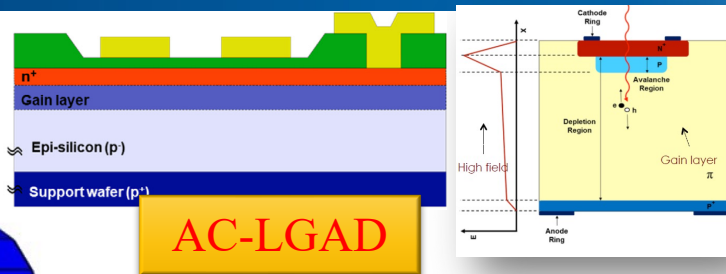
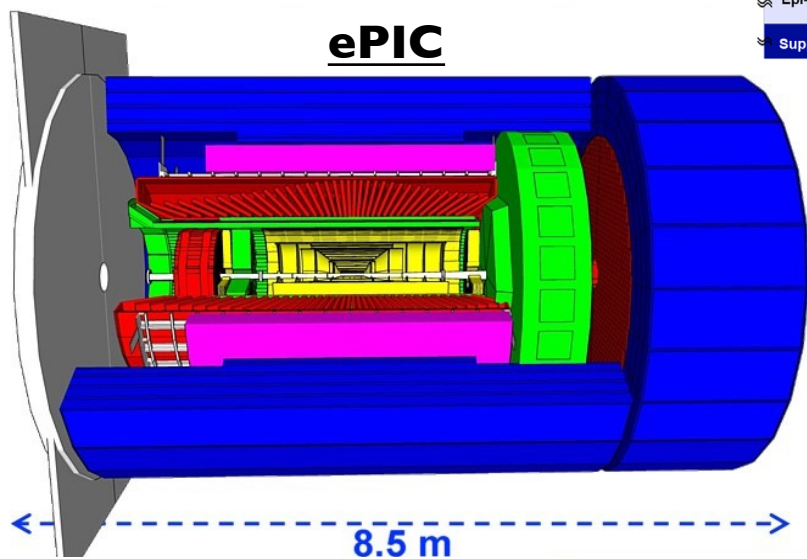
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☐ Not proven in real beam!

## ➤ Synergy w/ US-EIC:



## Development of High Precision and Eco-friendly MRPC TOF Detector for EIC

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Submission date: July 14th 2023

### ❑ ePIC chose AC-LGAD as the TOF

- Goals: Time resolution ~25ps, Tracking resolution ~100 um
- MRPC vs. AC-LGAD:
  - thick (10%  $X_0$ ), less position precision
  - Cost effective, radiation hard, no risk

### ❑ Generic R&D for EIC (#14, awarded \$80K for 2024):

- Possible for part of Detector#1 TOF, & Detector#2
- Optimize thickness and position precision
- Eco-friendly gas
- In-beam performance
- Readout electronics (synergic to AC-LGAD)



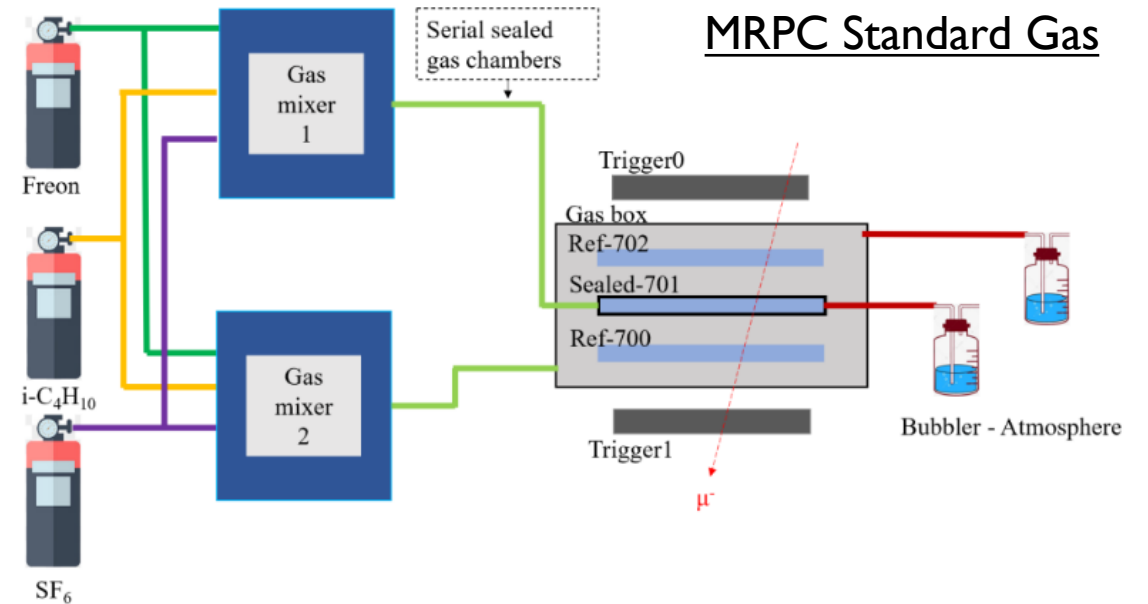
## ➤ R&D Task#1: Eco-Friendly Gas Replacement

### ❑ Possible replacements of standard gas:

- ✓ C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (R1234ze) + CO<sub>2</sub>
- ✓ Argonne + CO<sub>2</sub>
- ✓ Helium

### ❑ Cons:

- Expensive (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>)
- Impact to other detectors (Helium)
- Need ultra-high HV



### ❑ To-dos:

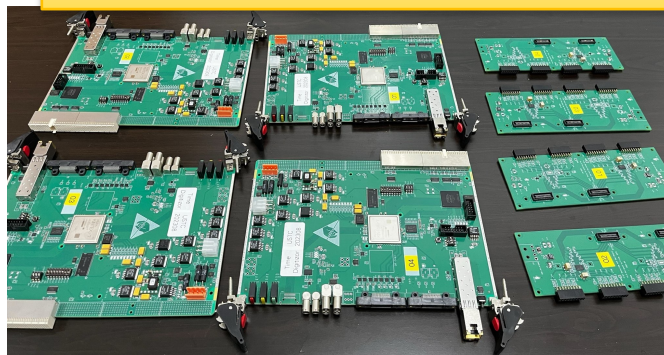
- Simulation with more gas mixtures
- Cosmic-Ray test with diff. gases (Tsinghua & UIC)
- Beam test for actual performance

## ➤ R&D Task#2: Readout Electronics

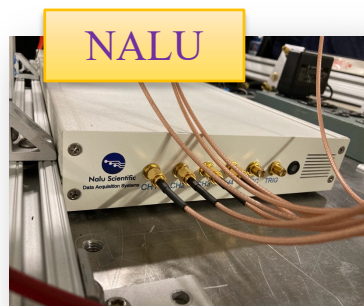
- ❑ 4 low-rate sMRPC at UIC (unfinished Fermi-Lab beam test)
- ❑ 2 high-rate sMRPC built at Tsinghua
- ❑ Goals: Test out front-end electronics options

- ❑ PreAmp + DIS
  - NINO (discontinued)
  - pico2023 (\*NEW\*)
- ❑ TDC
  - FPGA base (not rad. dard)
  - picoTDC (\*NEW\*)
- ❑ Waveform Sampler
  - DSR4 (slow)
  - SAMPIC
  - NALU AARDVARC

USTC FEE (NINO+FPGA-TDC)



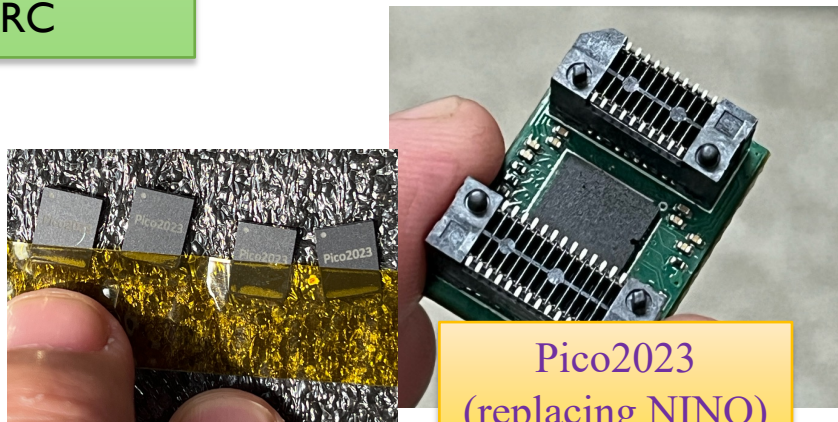
sMRPC at FermiLab (April 2022)



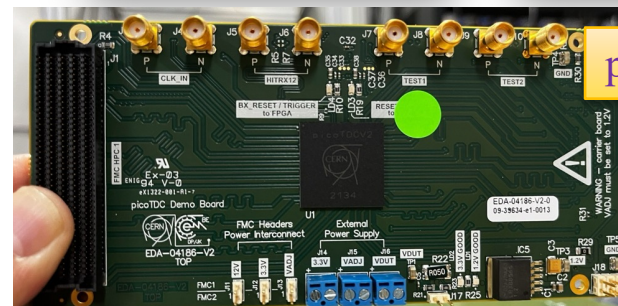
NALU



SAMPIC



Pico2023 (replacing NINO)



picoTDC



CAEN FERS - DT5202



## ➤ R&D Task#3: In-Beam performance

### □ Goals:

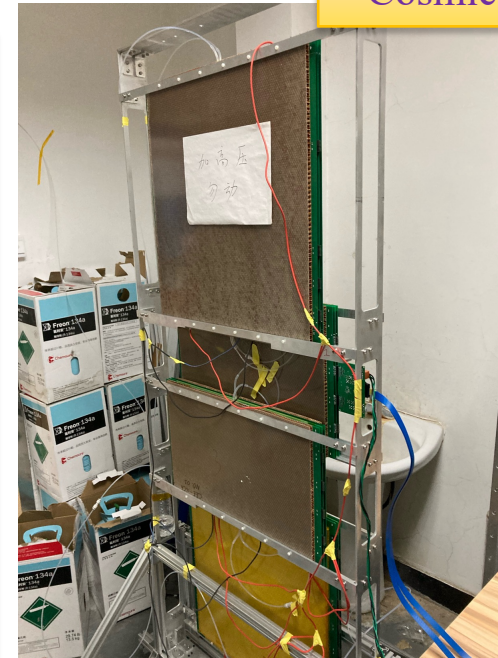
- Study performance of replacement gases
- Study timing performance with high-energy beam & high-rate background
- Radiation tolerance for modules and electronics

### □ To-dos:

- UIC local test with cosmic-ray + xray background  
 2 planes of 16-layer sMRPC + SAMPIC & NALU
- Tsinghua's local test with cosmic-ray + x-ray background  
 2 planes of 32-layer sMRPC + USTC FEE  
 + DT5742 (DSR4) + pico2023 + DT5202 (picoTDC)
- Jlab beam test  
 2(+2) planes of 16-layer sMRPC + SAMPIC & NALU

Parameter	Value
Dimension	360 × 338 mm <sup>2</sup>
Height	26 mm
Weight	3.3 kg
Glass dimension	330 × 276 mm <sup>2</sup>
Gas gap number	2 × 4
Gas gap width	0.25 mm
Strip pitch	7 + 3 mm
Strip length	270 mm
Strip number	32

Cosmic-Ray Setups at Tsinghua

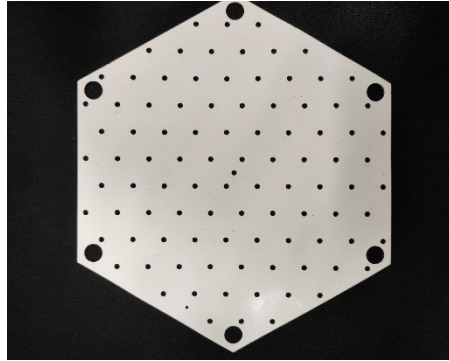


Wang's lab for Gas study

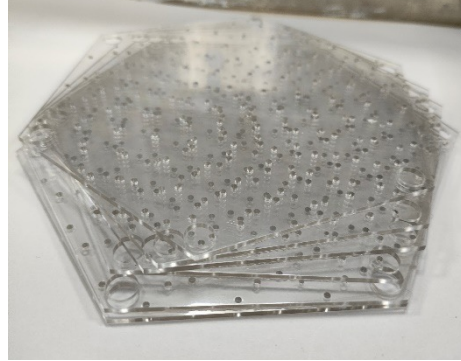


Ye's lab for FEE study

## ➤ Shashlyk ECal Material Overview:



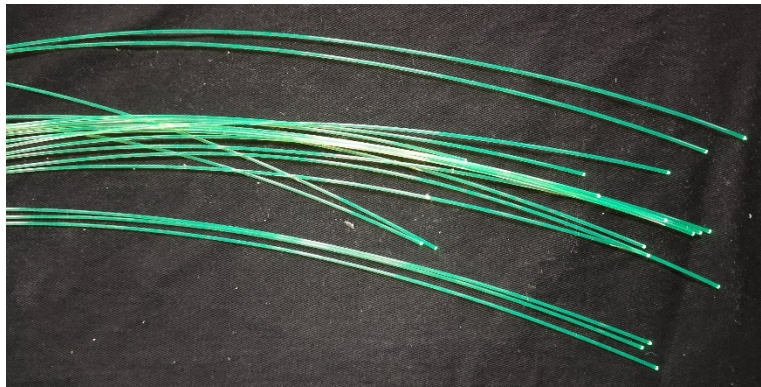
lead sheet with reflective coating



plastic scintillator



ESR with air coupling



Wavelength-Shifting Fiber

Part	Type/Material
scintillator	KEDI enhanced
WLS fiber	Y11 multi-cladding
outside surface	TiO <sub>2</sub>
fiber end reflector	ESR film
lead	paint TiO <sub>2</sub> *

\*instead of reflective layer between lead



optical reflective glue

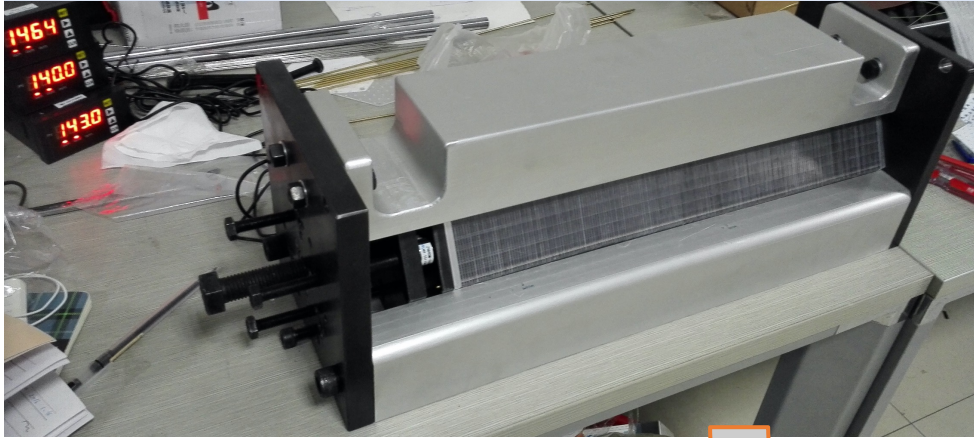


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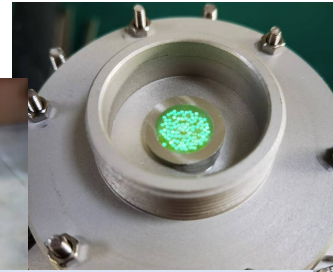


## ➤ Shashlyk ECal Assembly (by Shandong):

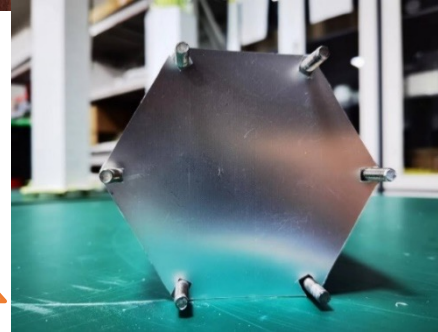
Scintillator tiles and leads are cross stacked in the mold, keeping pressure for one day.



fiber end after polished

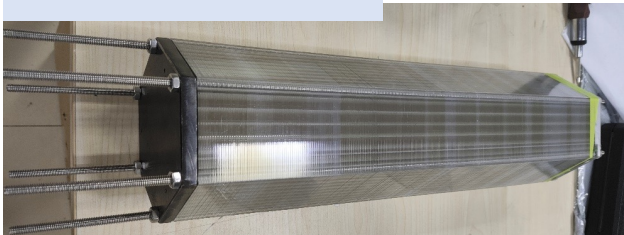


fiber end after polished

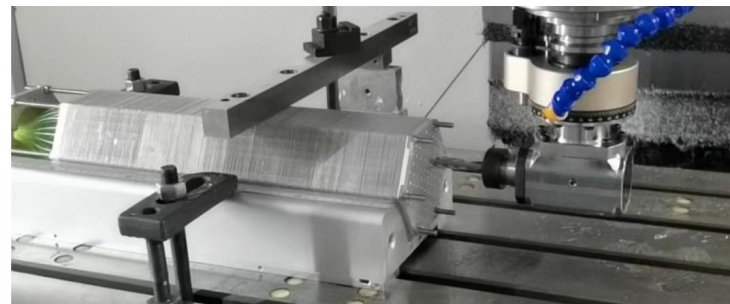
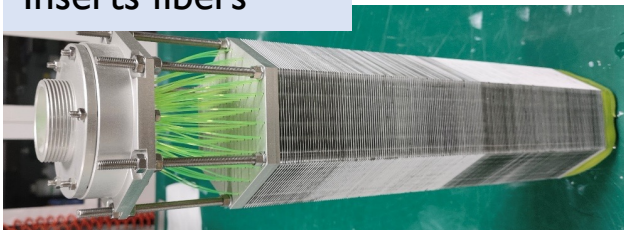


cover plate above ESR

Assembled module



Inserts fibers



fiber polished with CNC milling machine



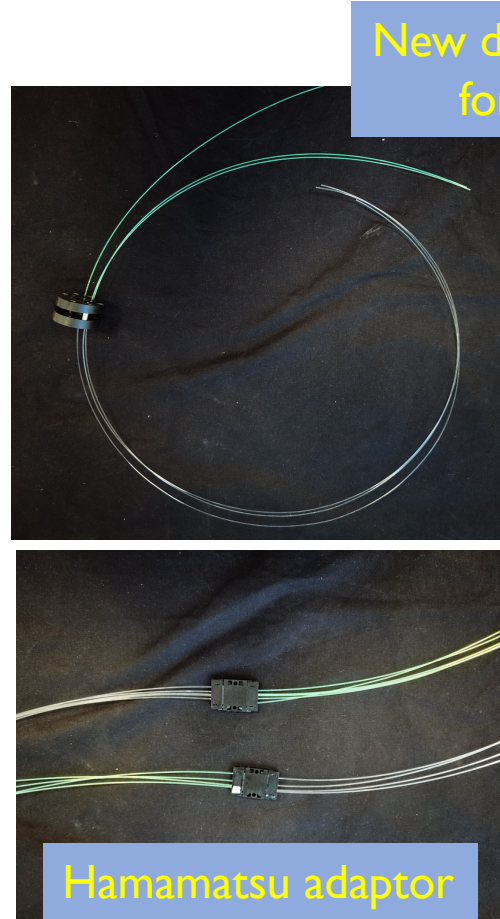
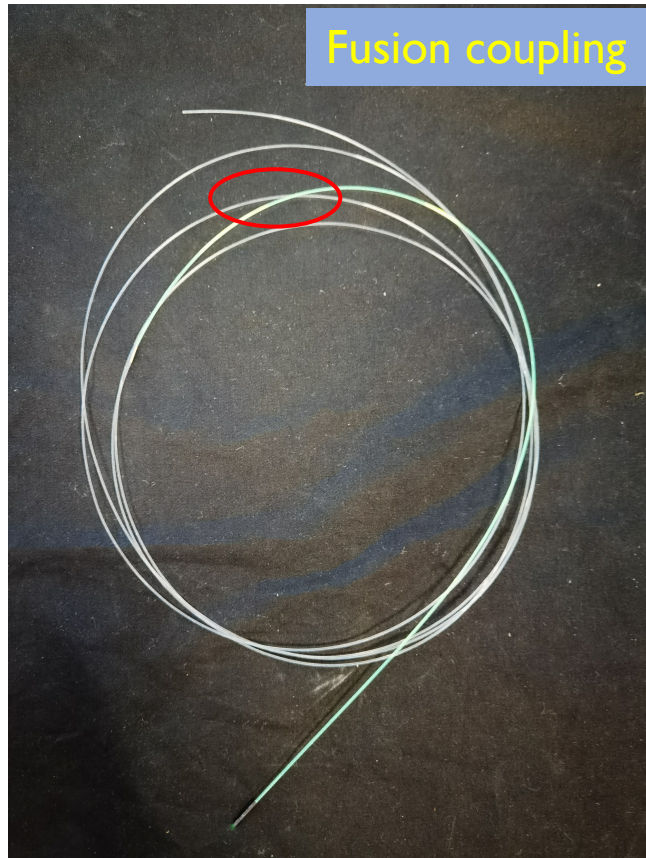
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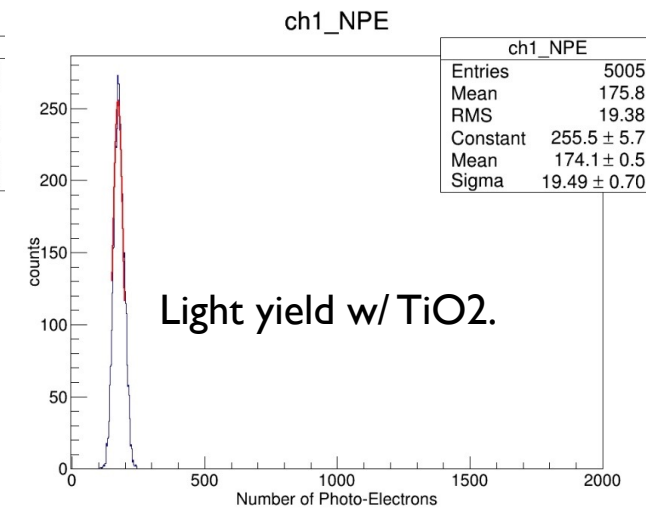
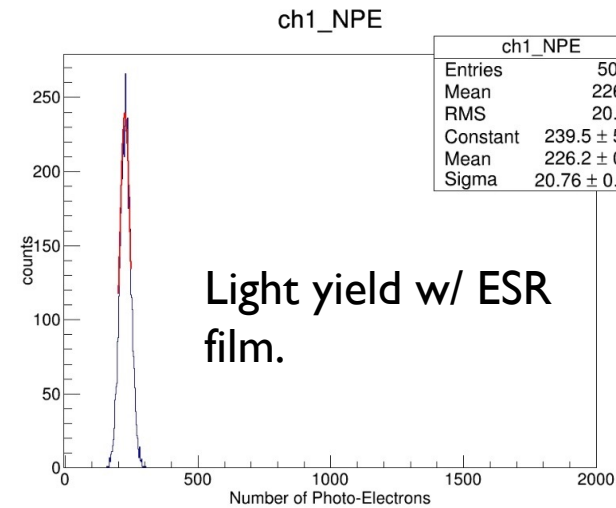
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## ➤ Shashlyk ECal Assembly (by Shandong):

- ❑ The fiber coupling test is ongoing. The new adapter design is easy for assembling, still under study to improve the quality.

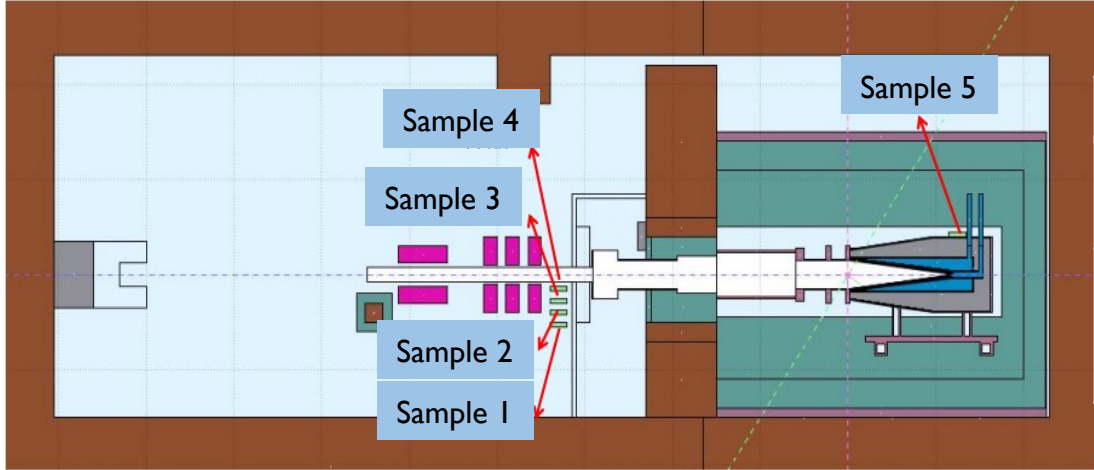


- ❑ The reflectivity of ESR film is better than TiO<sub>2</sub> painting





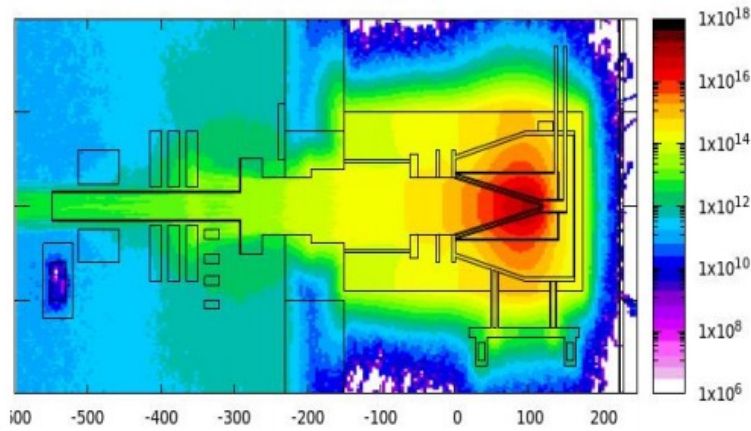
## ➤ Shashlyk ECAL Assembly (by Shandong): :



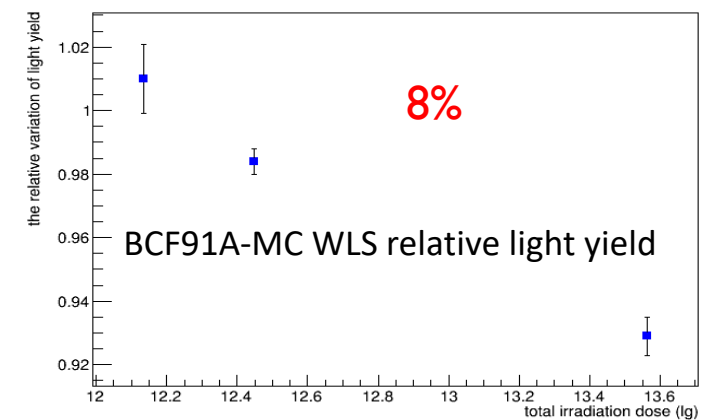
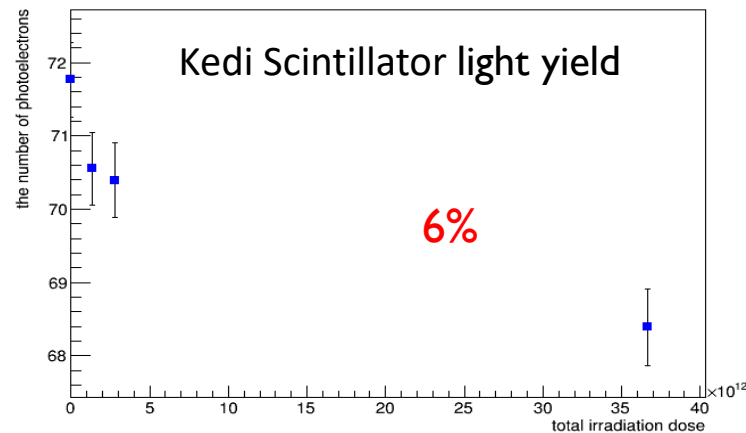
☐ Irradiation resistance test at IMP

	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 5
Total Irradiation (MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> ) by simulation (uncertainty 10%)	8.6E+11	1.4E+12	2.8E+12	3.7E+13	1.1E+14 <b>(Not tested)</b>
Test material	clear fiber	clear fiber BCF91A-MC scintillator	clear fiber BCF91A-MC scintillator	clear fiber BCF91A-MC scintillator	BCF91A-MC scintillator

Total Neutron Fluence [1/cm<sup>2</sup>]



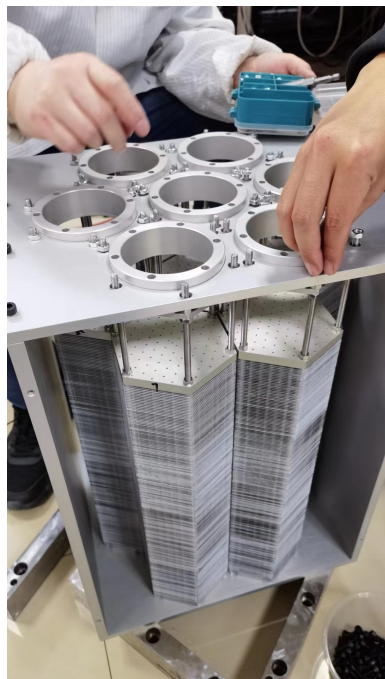
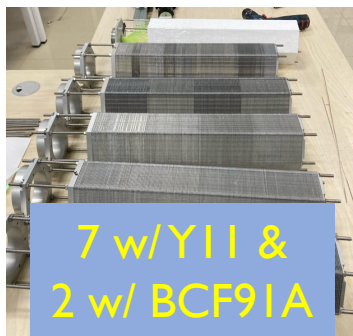
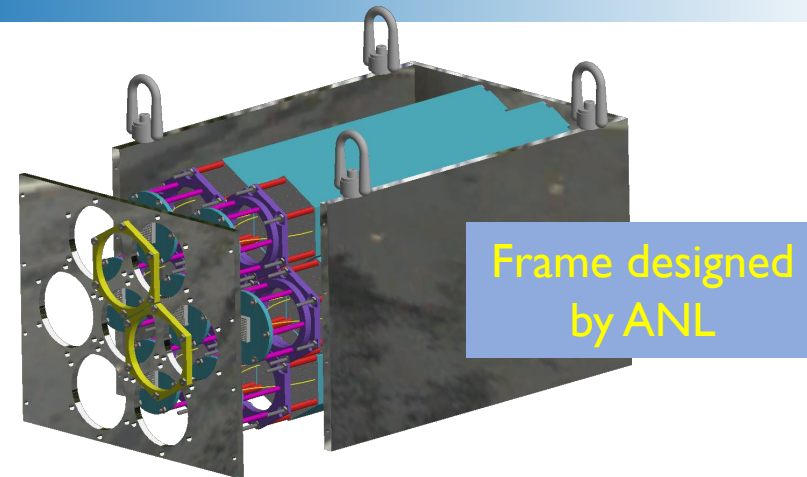
☐ Satisfy radiation resistance requirement



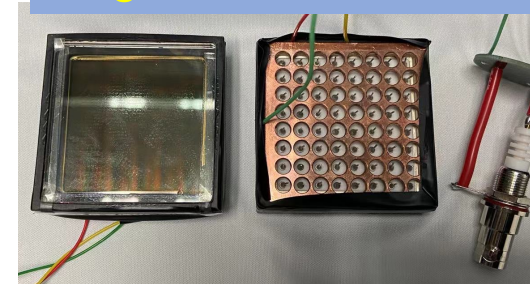
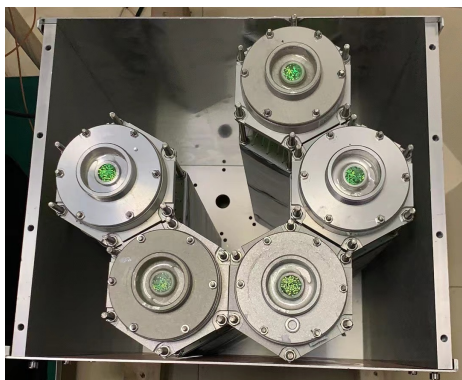
## ➤ Shashlyk Supermodules:

### □ Goals:

- ✓ Performance of a full shower development
- ✓ Photo-sensor options (clear fiber+MaPMT, or MCP)
- ✓ Assembly process, deformation, quality-check, and calibration, etc.
- ✓ Optimizing supporting structure design (by ANL)
- ✓ Slow control development (HV, LED, ...)
- ✓ In-beam performance (moving to Tsinghua now, then to Jlab in 2024)



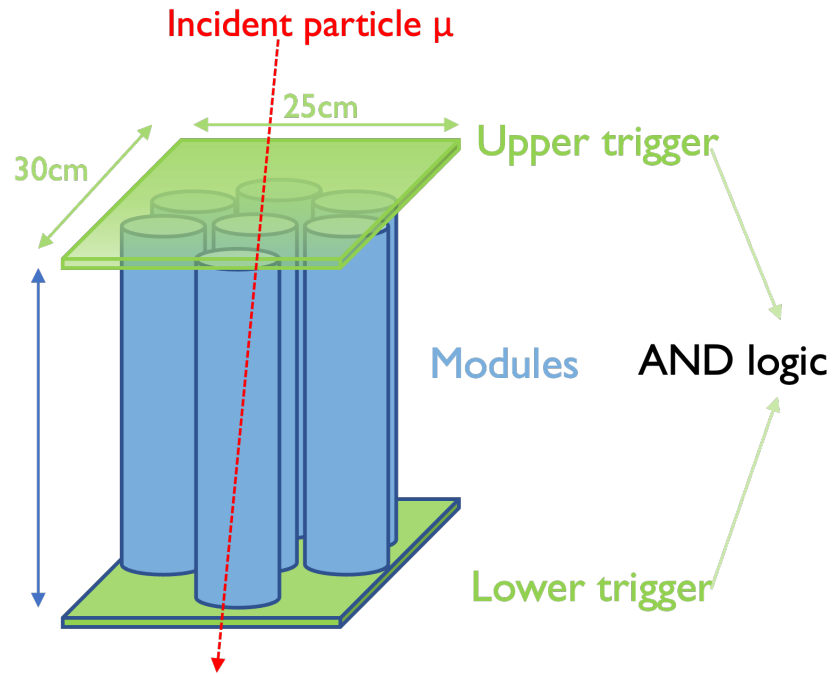
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- ❑ Cosmic ray test at Shandong Univ.

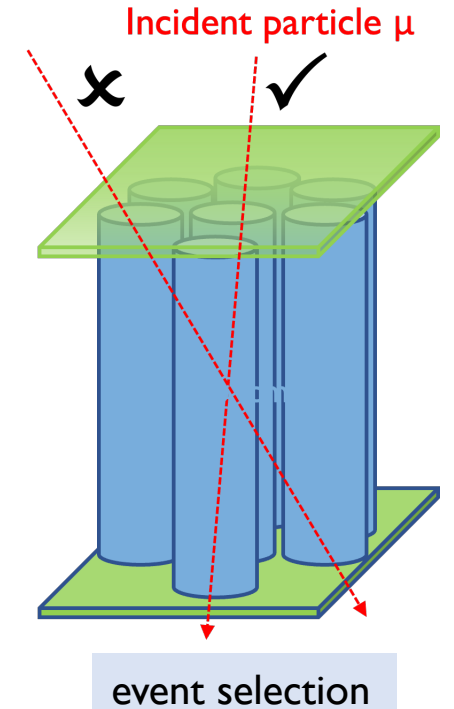
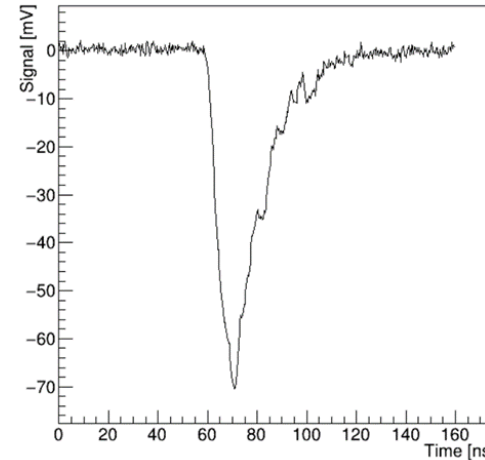


test system simplified diagram



3.2GS/s Digitizer

waveform of one event in one module



## ➤ Calculate number of photo-electrons(NPE)

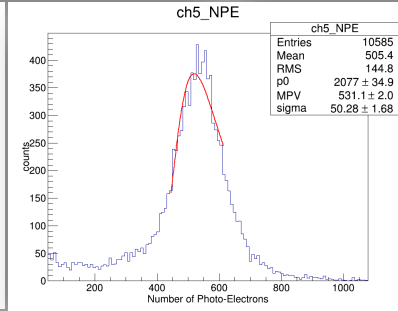
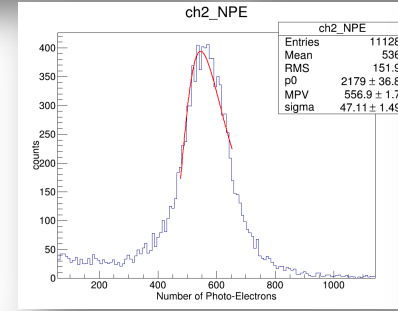
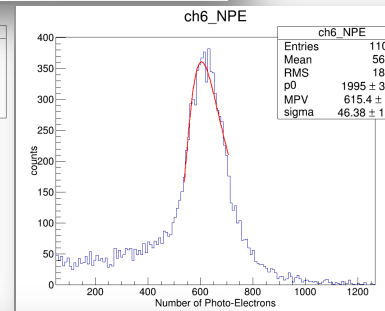
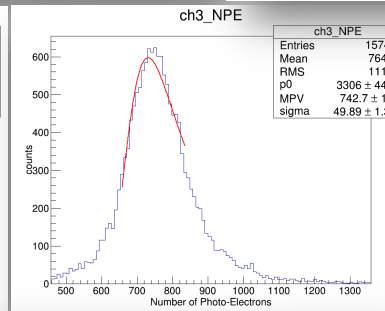
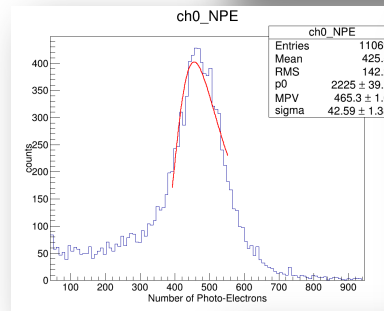
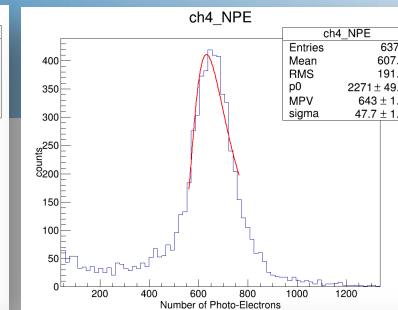
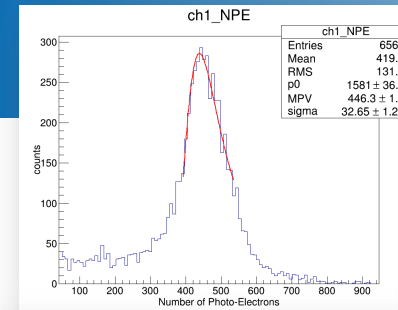
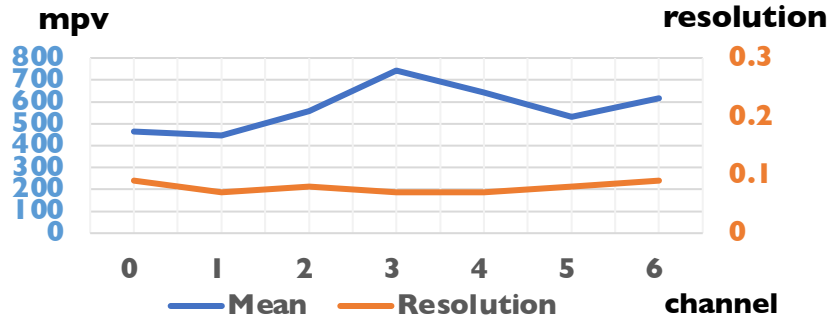
- Perform an integral over the entire waveform
- Subtract the baseline from the waveform integral
- $NPE = \text{charge} / (1.6 * 10^{-19}) / \text{gain}$

## ➤ Select vertical muon events

- Only one out of 7 modules has a signal, indicating nearly vertical incidence

## ➤ Shashlyk Supermodules:

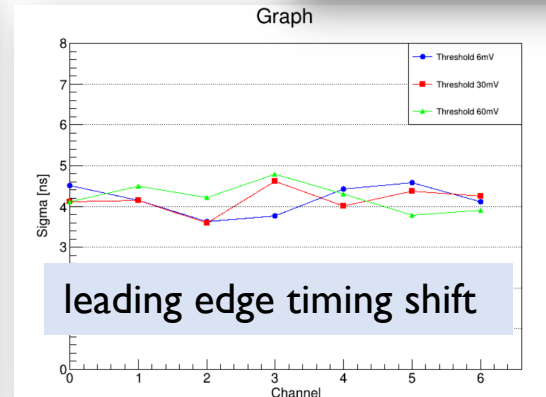
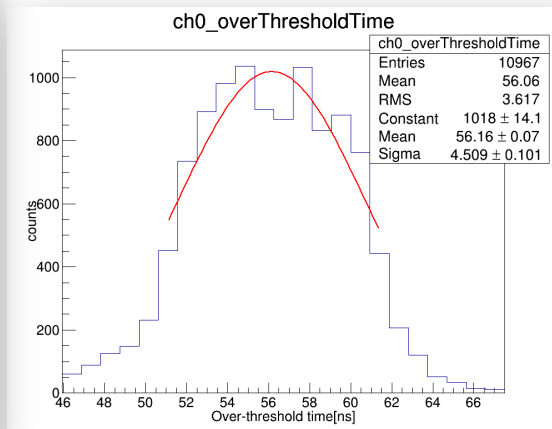
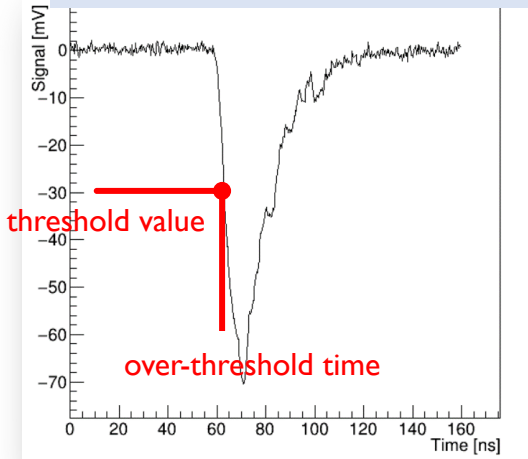
☐ NPE & Resolution Resolution = sigma/mpv



## ☐ Time Performance

leading edge timing to determine over-threshold time

over-threshold time histogram example



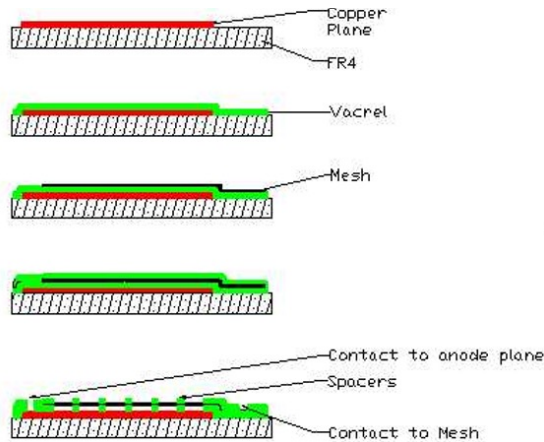
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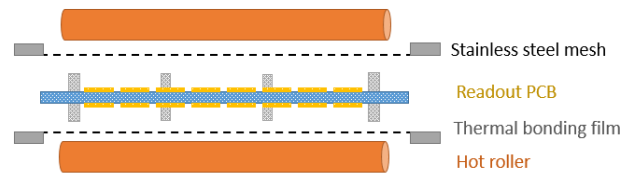
## ➤ Micromegas & uRWELL R&D by USTC

❑ USTC is moving away from GEM technology

### Micromegas in a Bulk



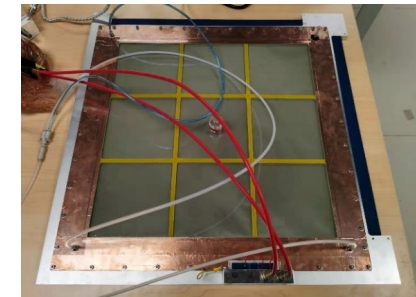
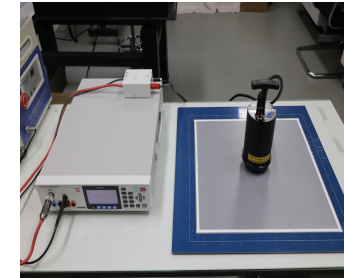
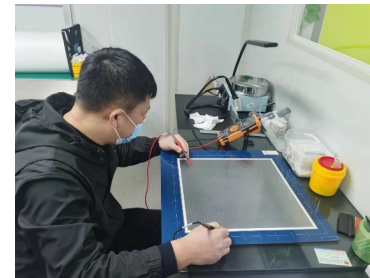
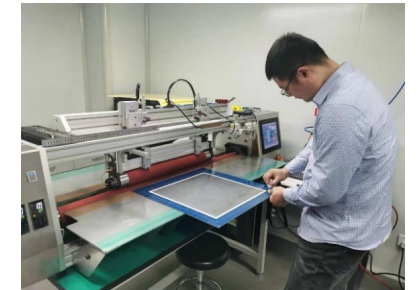
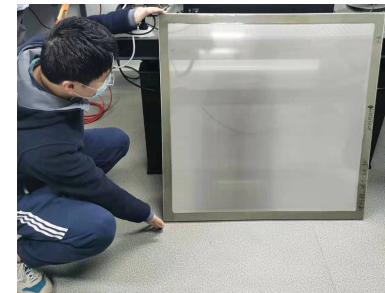
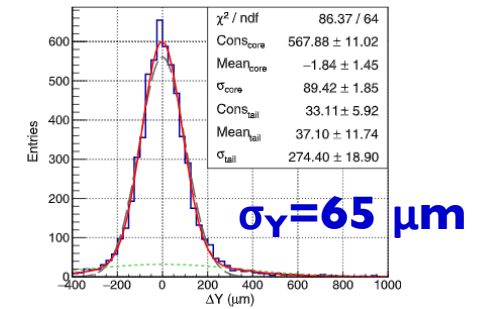
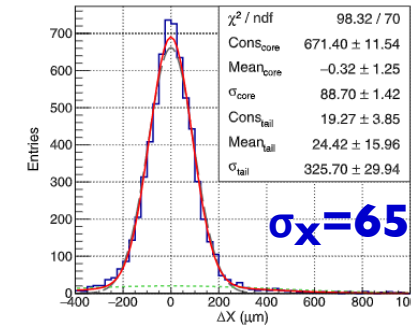
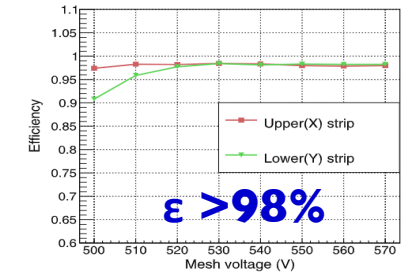
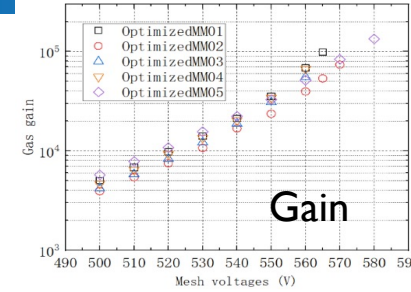
### Thermal bonding processing



- No etching, no pollution
- Easy to handle at lab
- Easy to make new structures
- Low cost
- $\Phi 0.5\text{mm}-\Phi 1\text{mm}$  spacers,  $\sim 1\text{cm}$  pitch
  - ➔ easy to clean for large area
  - ➔ less than 1% spacer area

❑ Thermal bonding method (TBM) for Micromegas detectors: concise and etching-free mass-productive process

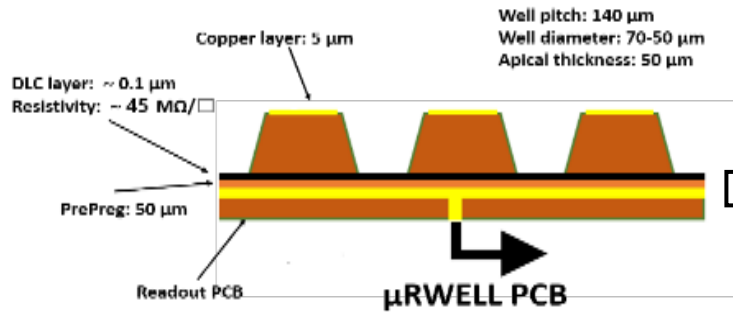
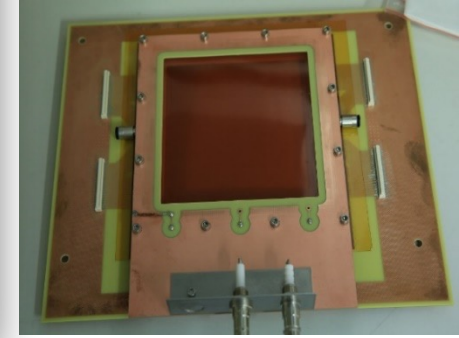
❑ A complete set of equipment, mature fabricating process, mass production capability for  $\text{m}^2$  size micromegas



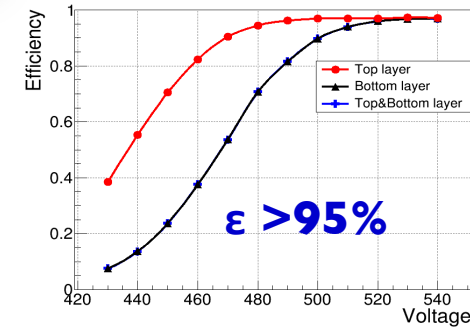
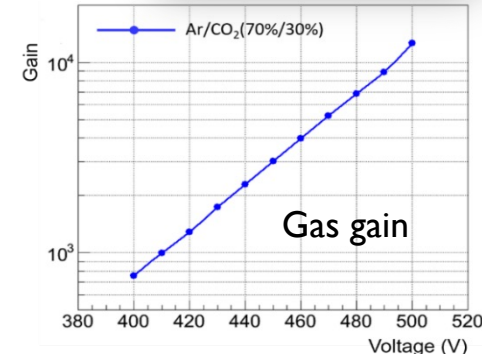
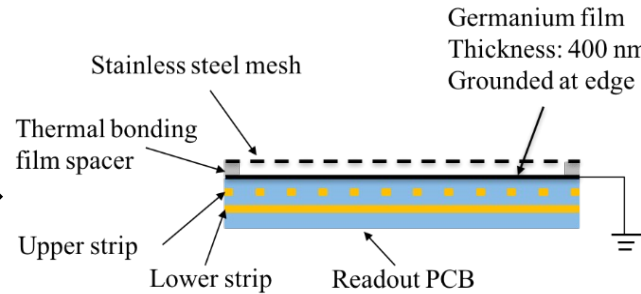
## ➤ Micromegas & $\mu$ RWELL R&D by USTC

❑ USTC is exploring high rate & spatial-resolution  $\mu$ RWELL technology

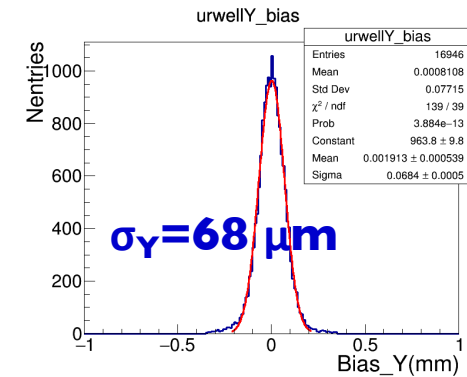
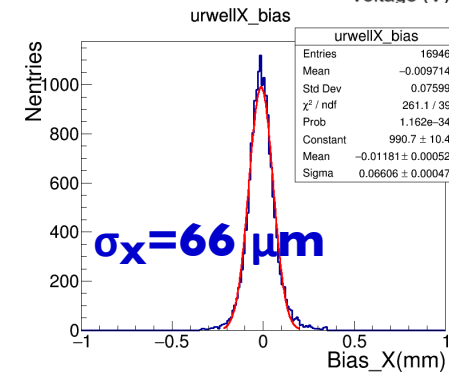
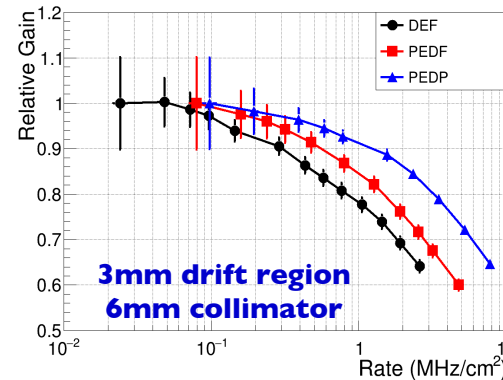
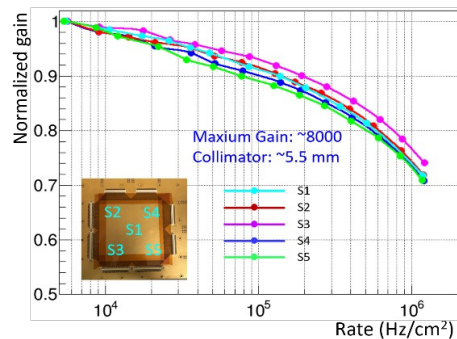
- Compact structure: 50 -100  $\mu$ m avalanche structure tightly attached on the PCB
- < 100  $\mu$ m spatial resolution
- ~M Hz/cm<sup>2</sup> rate capability
- X-Y 2D readout design
- Promising to make a large area



two orthogonal layers of strips were set in the inner layer of the readout PCB



❑ Normalized gain vs. Rate

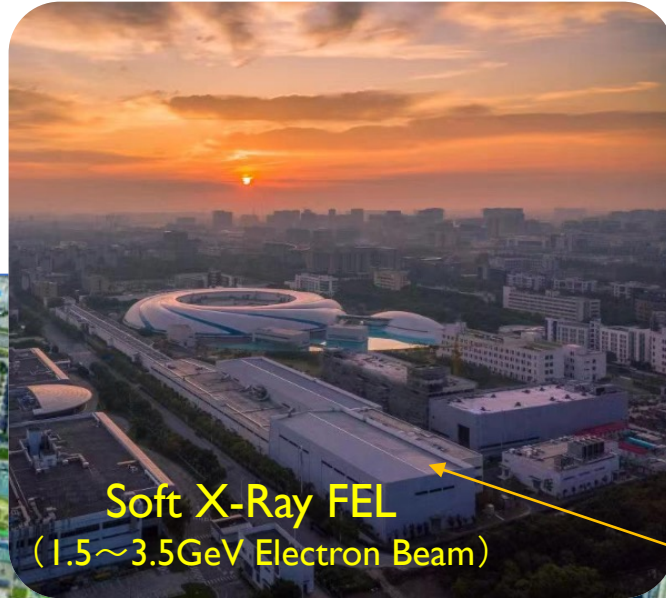




➤ Shanghai Advanced Research Institute (SARI):



Shanghai Synchrotron Radiation Facility



Soft X-Ray FEL  
(1.5~3.5GeV Electron Beam)



Shanghai Synchrotron Radiation Facility

Soft X-Ray FEL

National Facility Protein Science

Ultra Short Ultra Intense laser

Shanghai Tech. Univ.

SXFEL user facility



Shaft #1



Shaft #2



Shaft #3



Shaft #4



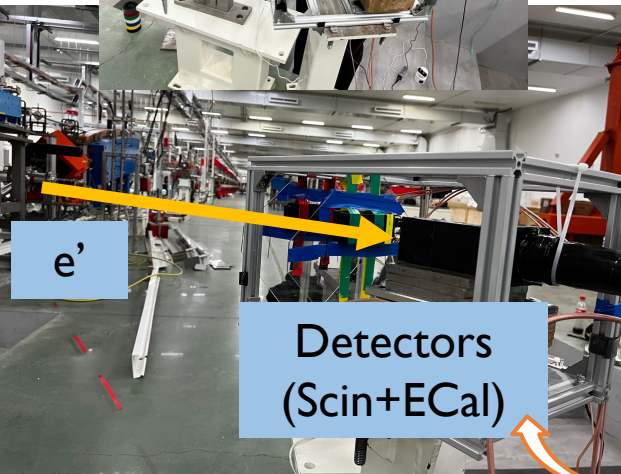
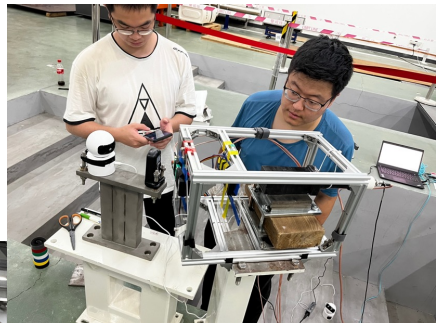
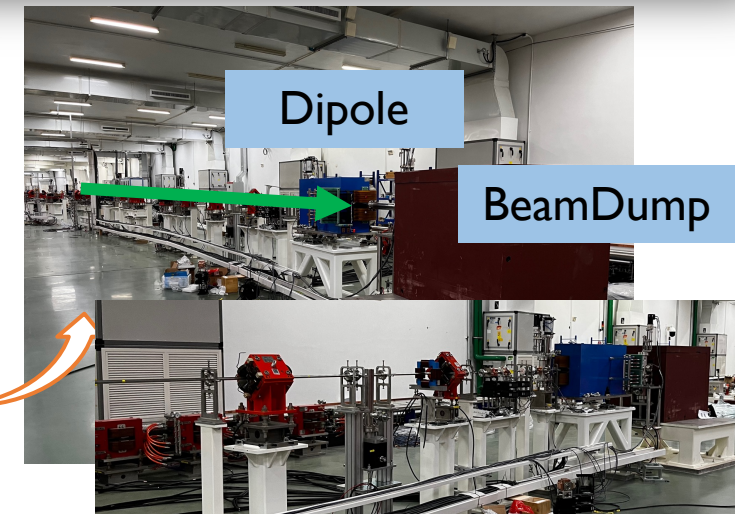
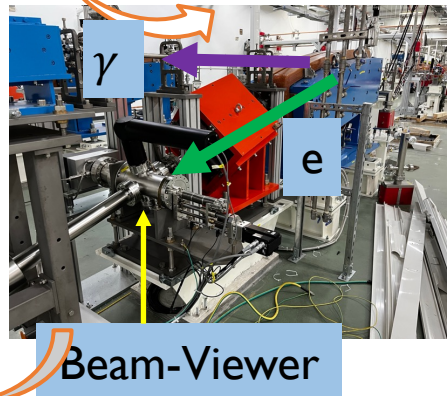
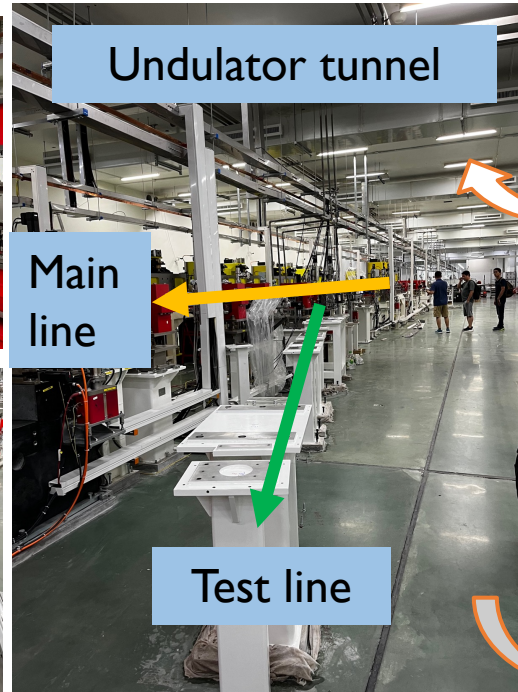
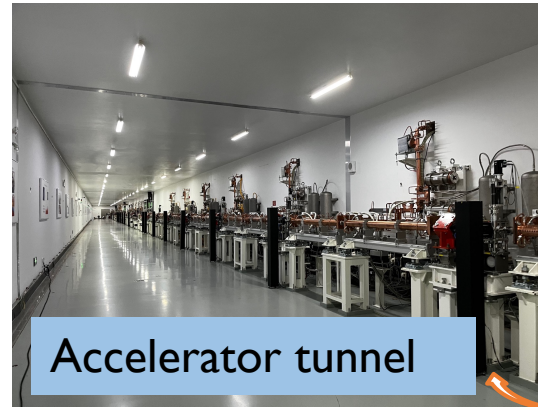
Shaft #5

Shanghai High Repetition Rate X-ray FEL and Extreme Light Facility (SHINE)  
(8 GeV, 10 exp. Stations, operation in 2024)



## ➤ Soft X-Ray FEL (SXFEL):

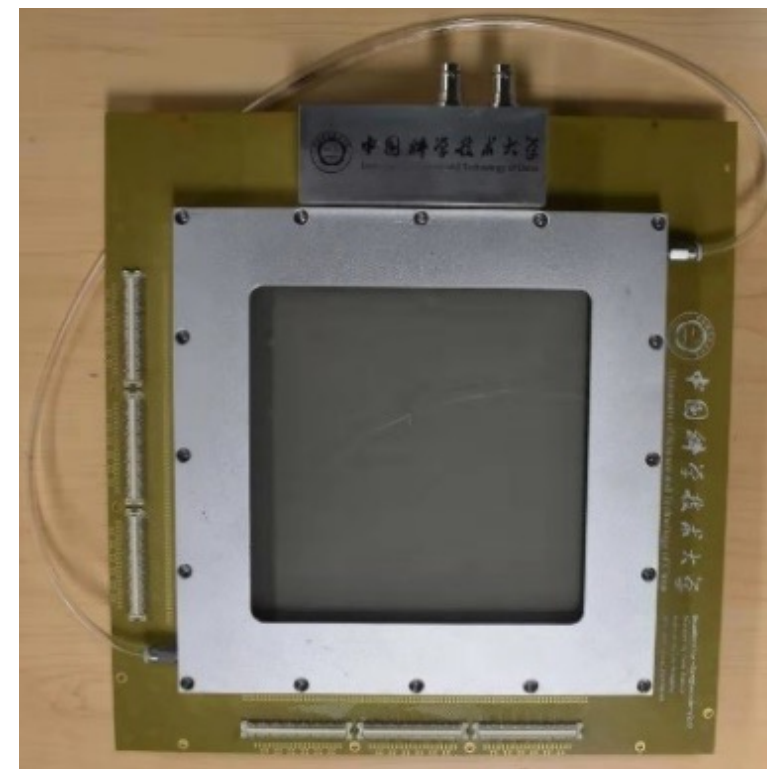
- ❑ 1.5 GeV electron (10Hz, 500pC/p, 2ps-width)
- ❑ Summer 2023 Test:
  - ✓ 4 scintillators as trigger, see electron signals in ECal (W-power) → saw huge “overflow” signals!
  - ✓ Detectors in the tunnel (not easily accessible)
- ❑ **Spring 2024: SoLID ECal+Trackers+MRPC**
- ❑ Aim for a dedicated experimental station (need beam-line modification)





## ➤ Jefferson Lab:

- ❑ Move 2 low-rate MRPC from UIC to Jlab; Ship 2 high-rate MRPC from Tsinghua to Jlab;
  - Develop test stand (gas circulation system, FEE, DAQ)
  - In-beam time resolution & efficiencies with different FEE (Hall-A or Hall-C?)
  - Radiation hardness of MRPC and FEE
  - **Used in Hall-C Hypernuclear experiment (sMRPC+pico2023+picoTDC)?**
  
- ❑ ECAL supermodule from Tsinghua to Jlab
  - Energy resolution of a full shower (Hall-D beam?)
  - Mounting and Supporting (need local engineer support)
  - Photo-sensors and FEE in magnetic field (200G ~ 1.5T)
  - Radiation hardness of modules and long clear-fibers
  
- ❑ Under discussion: beam test of USTC's micromegas & uRwell w/ optimized design (flexible PCB backplane)
  - **Two micromegas (20x20cm<sup>2</sup>) to be installed at Tsinghua**

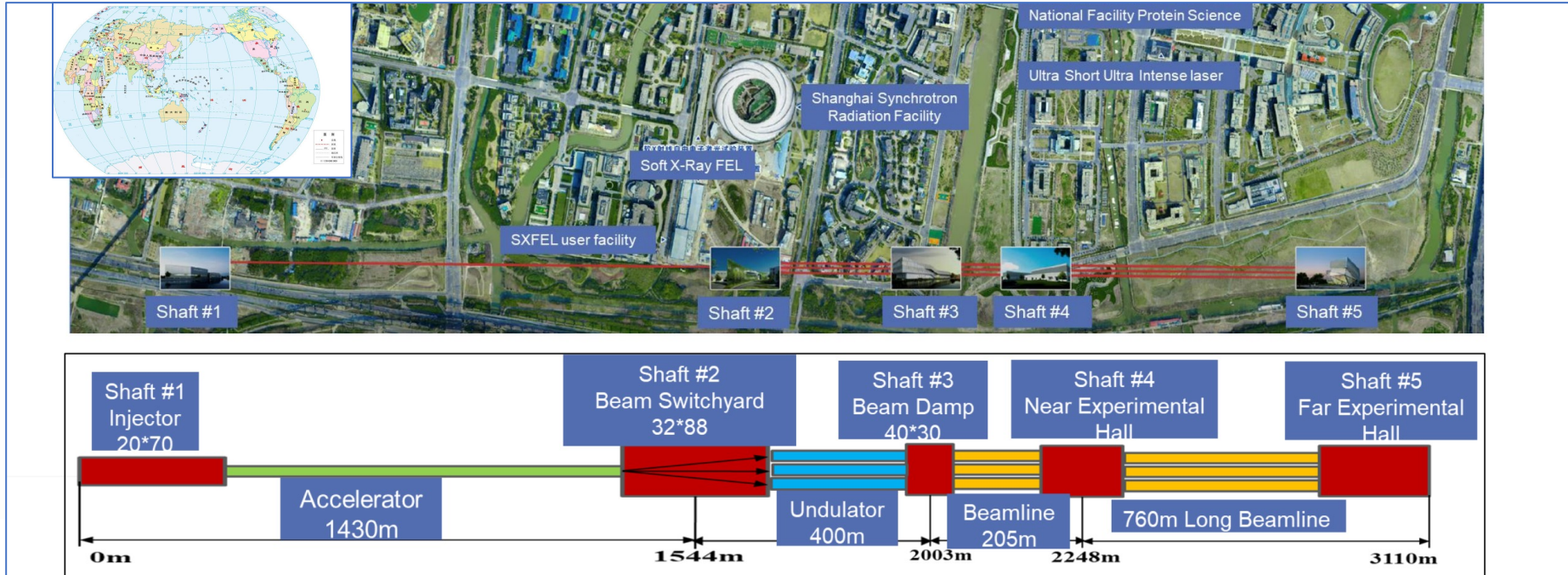


- ❑ **MRPC** by Tsinghua aims for improving TOF down to 30ps
  - 4 modules at UIC & Jlab; 2 high-rate modules at Tsinghua
  - Exploring FEE options
  - **Support from EIC R&D funding**
- ❑ **Shashlyk ECal** by Shandong and Tsinghua
  - A super-module with 7 modules has been assembled (+2 spares)
  - Exploring photo-sensor options
  - Developing calibration method, slow control
  - **Synergic w/ EIC? Apply 2024 EIC R&D Funding?**
- ❑ **MPGD** by USTC
  - Moving away from GEM; Mass production capability for micromegas; R&D on uRWELL
  - 2 micromegas moduels at Tsinghua for MRPC and ECal testing;
- ❑ Shanghai SARI **e-beams at 1.5 GeV (SXFEL) and future 8 GeV (SHINE)** → dedicated e-beam station?
- ❑ Beam tests at Jlab (MRPC, ECAL, MPGD) → Local support needed!
- ❑ **How to move forward with formal US-China collaboration on SoLID?**



# BACKUP

# GeV electron beam at SHINE

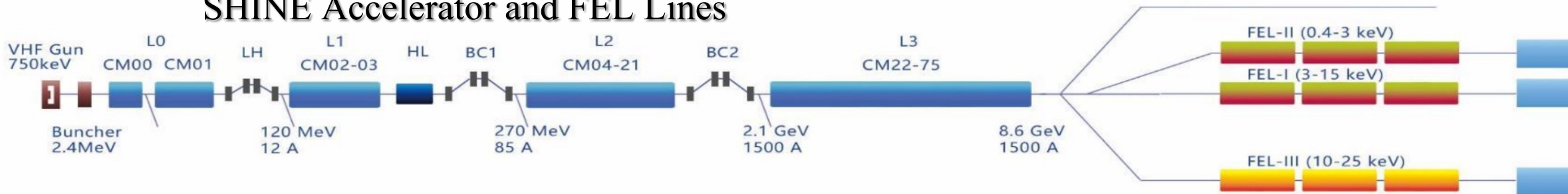


- Total Length: 3.1 km
- 29m Underground
- 5 Shafts Down
- Over 10B RMB

- e, 8GeV, Frq=1 MHz
- FEL: 0.4—25keV
- Pulse width: 1---10fs
- 3 X-ray beamlines
- 10 exp stations



## SHINE Accelerator and FEL Lines



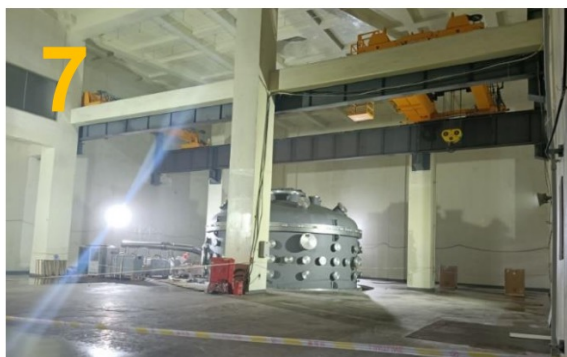
	Nominal	Range
Beam energy/GeV	8.0	4-8.6
Bunch charge/pC	100	10-300
Max rep-rate/MHz	1	up to 1
Beam power/MW	0.8	0 - 2.4
Photon energy/keV	0.4-25	0.4-25
Pulse length/fs	20-50	5-200
Peak brightness	$5 \times 10^{32}$	$1 \times 10^{31}$ - $1 \times 10^{33}$
Average brightness	$5 \times 10^{25}$	$1 \times 10^{23}$ - $1 \times 10^{26}$
Total facility length/km	3.1	3.1
Tunnel diameter/m	5.9	5.9
2K Cryogenic power/kW	12	12
RF Power/MW	2.28	3.6

FEL Line	Nominal	Objective
<b>FEL-I</b>		
Photon energy/keV	3-15	3-15
Photon number per pulse @12.4keV	$>10^{10}$	$>10^{11}$
Max pulse repetition rate/MHz	0.66	1
<b>FEL-II</b>		
Photon energy/keV	0.4-3	0.4-3
Photon number per pulse @1.24keV	$>10^{12}$	$>10^{13}$
Max pulse repetition rate/MHz	0.66	1
<b>FEL-III</b>		
Photon energy/keV	10-25	10-25
Photon number per pulse @15keV	$>10^9$	$>10^{10}$
Max pulse repetition rate/MHz	0.66	1



## Civil Construction

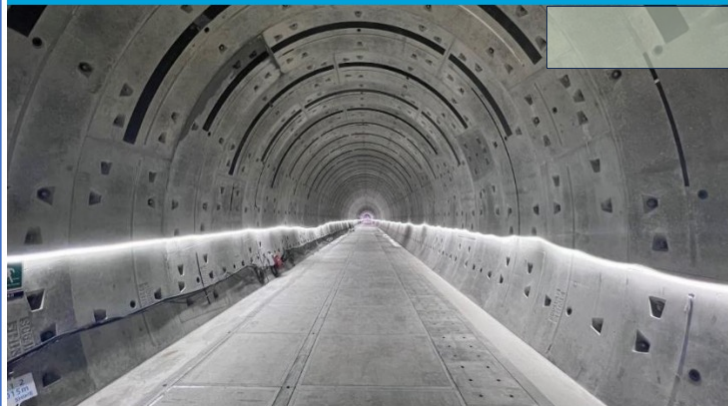
- 1. Shaft #1, 2. Shaft #2
- 3. Shaft #3, 4. Shaft #4
- 5. Shaft #5, 6. Linac Tunnel
- 7. Target Chamber in #5-B5



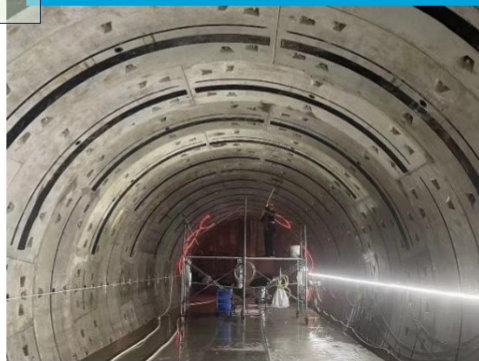


➤ Till March 2023, ten tunnels between shaft No#1to No#5 have been all constructed.

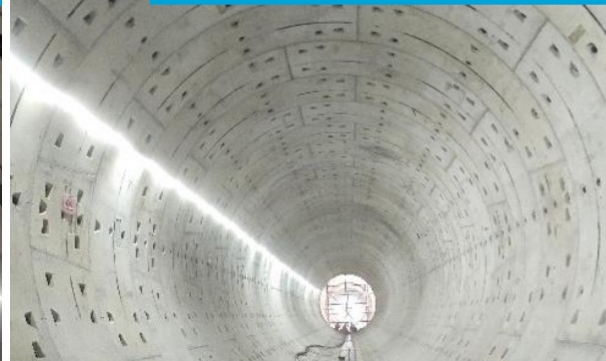
Tunnel between Shaft No#1and No#2



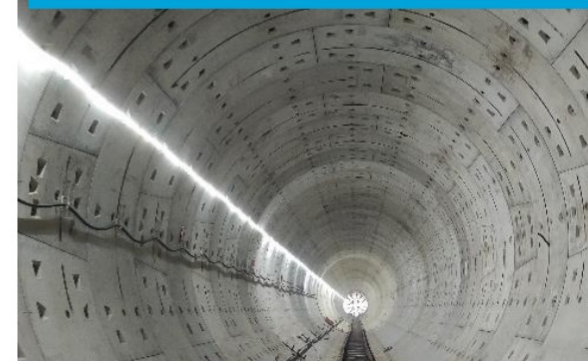
Easten tunnel between Shaft No#2 and No#3



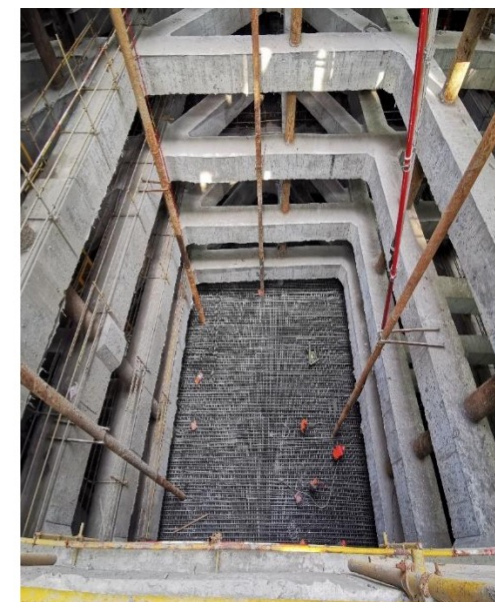
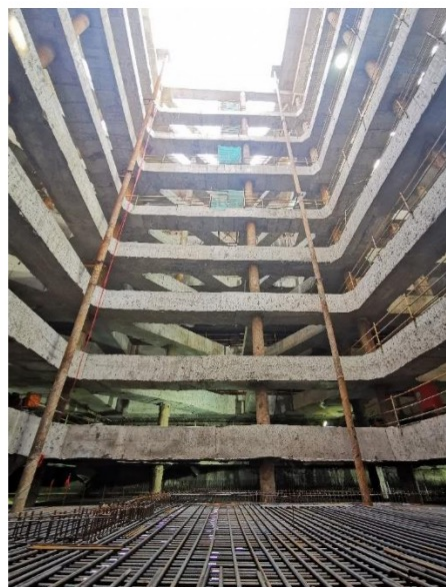
Easten tunnel between Shaft No#3 and No#4



Easten tunnel between Shaft No#4 and No#5



- Non-circular structure of shafts
- 5 shafts have been constructed
- Shafts No.#1 to #3 adopted opposite braces and diagonal braces
- Shaft No. #4 & #5 adopted opposite braces and side braces, 9 or 10 supporting beams are used along the depth of the foundation pits.

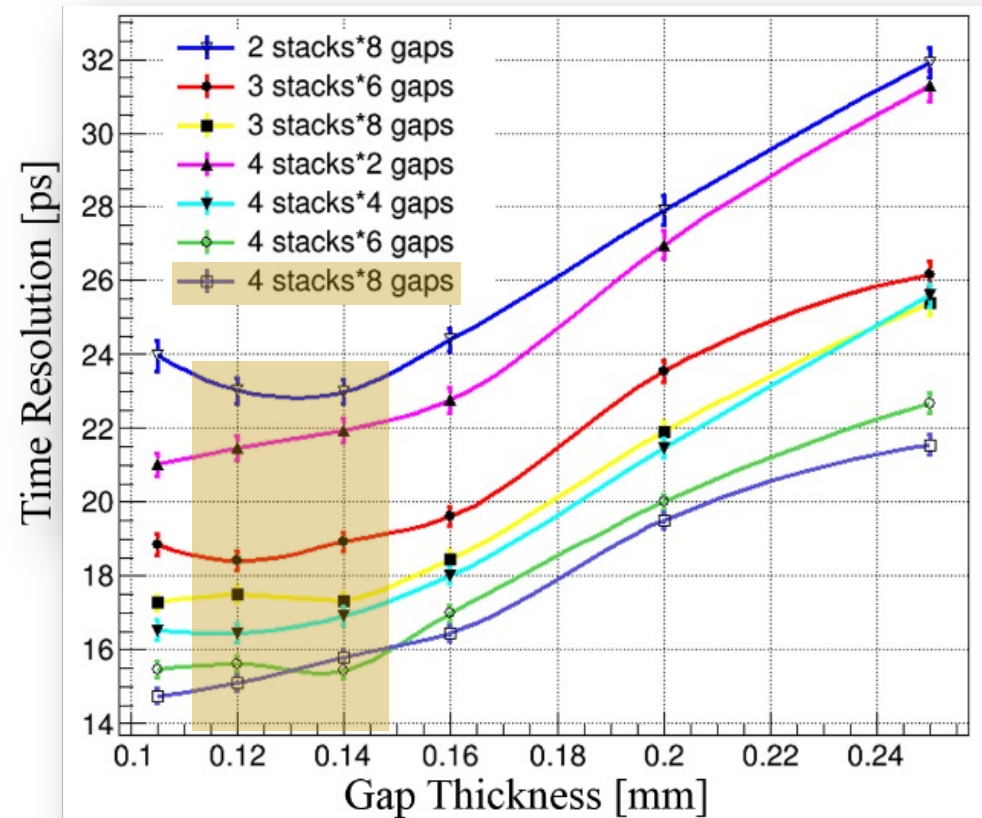
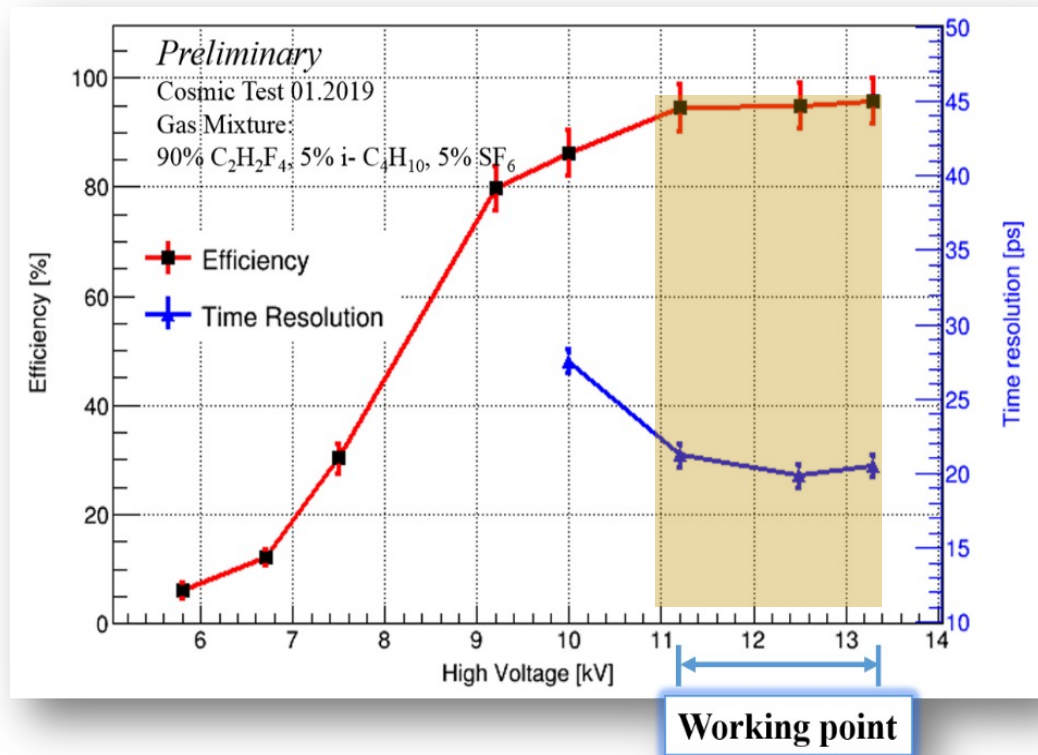




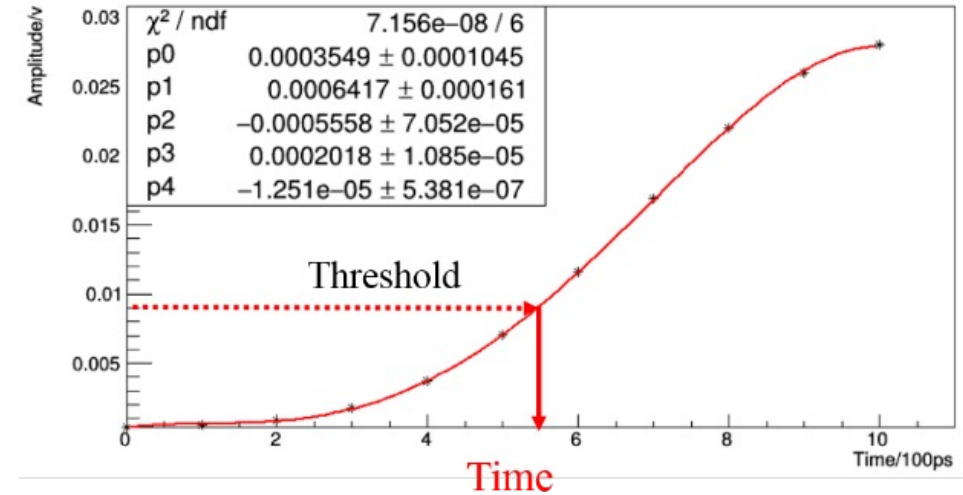
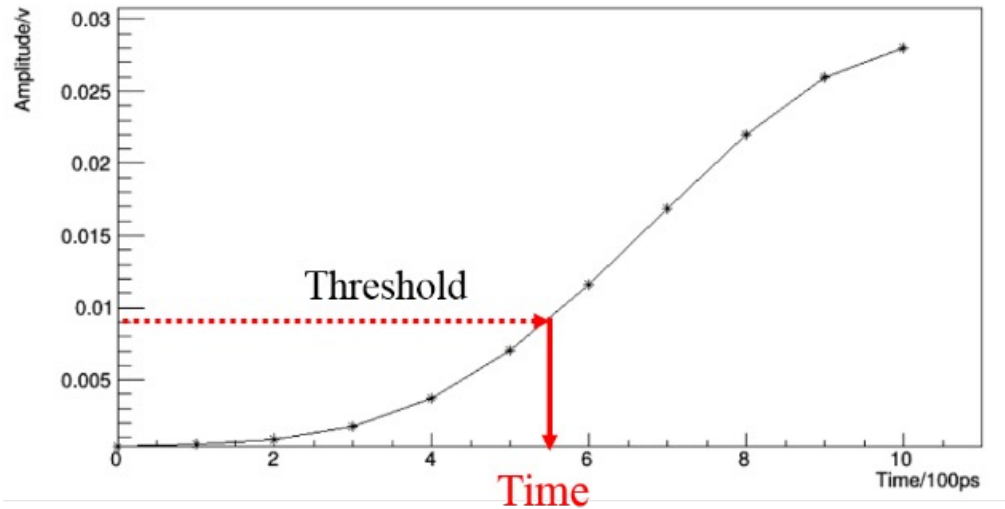
## ➤ Tsinghua's Sealed MRPC (sMRPC)

### □ Tunable performance of Gen3 sMRPC

- ✓ Gaps, layers and HVs can be optimized for different needs
- ✓ BEST: 32-layers, 400um glass, 128um gap, 12kV



## ➤ ToT Method vs. Sampling



### ❑ ToT Method:

- ✓ Fixed threshold by DIS
- ✓ Use ADC for walk-correction
- ✓ Fewer requirements on front-ends
- ✓ Affected by signal amplitude

### ❑ Sampling Method:

- ✓ Capture waveform of raise-edge
- ✓ Need fast sampling front-ends
- ✓ Good for high-precision timing
- ✓ Good for large noise and varying amplitudes



## ➤ Tsinghua's Sealed MRPC (sMRPC)

- ❑ Parameters of Gen3 sMRPC (32-layers, 400um glass, 128um gap)

MRPC Module	L x W x T (mm)
Honeycomb Board(x2)	265 x 90 x 7.5
Outer PCB (x2)	298x120x0.6
Inner PCB (x2)	298x120x1.2
Center PCB (x1)	328x120x1.2
Readout Strip (on PCB)	268x5(8 line, 2mm gap)
Mylar film (x2*4)	268x90x0.25
Carbon Electrode (x2*4)	250x72x0.005
Resistive Glass (x9*4)	258x80x0.4
Gas Layer (x8*4)	0.128
Active Area	258 x 80
Total Size	328 x 120 x 40.3 (0.1 X <sub>0</sub> )

Pulse signal before PreAMP: 2mV (integrated charge ~ 4pC)

- ❑ 4 mRPC at UIC and 2 new ones at Tsinghua

Parameter	Value
Dimension	360 × 338 mm <sup>2</sup>
Height	26 mm
Weight	3.3 kg
Glass dimension	330 × 276 mm <sup>2</sup>
Gas gap number	2 × 4
Gas gap width	0.25 mm
Strip pitch	7 + 3 mm
Strip length	270 mm
Strip number	32

Endcap TOF consists of 16 modules and each module consists of 3 sealed MRPC.

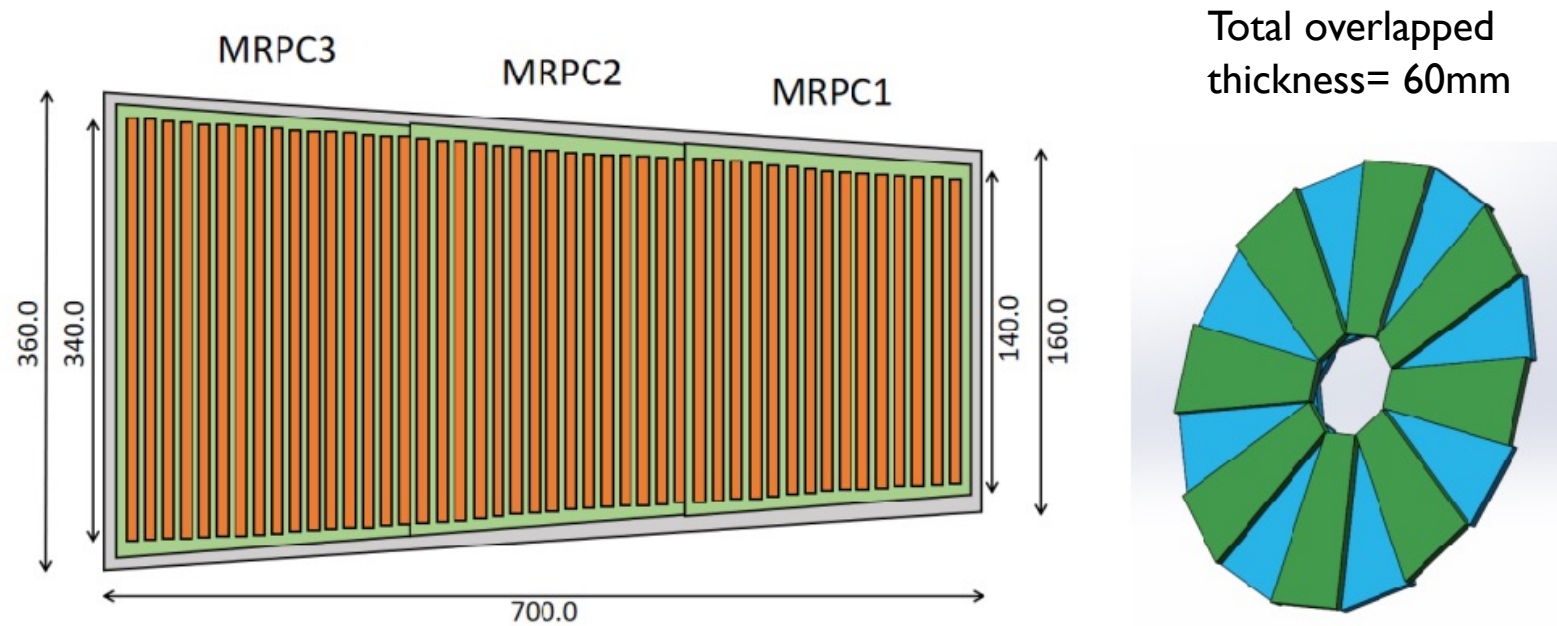


Figure 1.3 Arrangement of MRPCs inside the box in the End-cap.

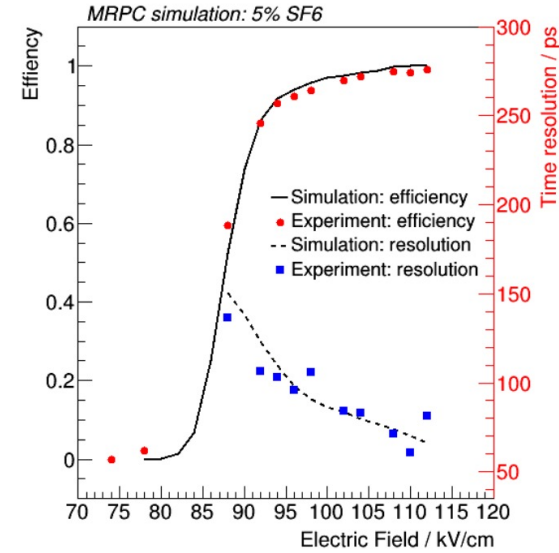


## ➤ R&D Task#1: Simulation Framework

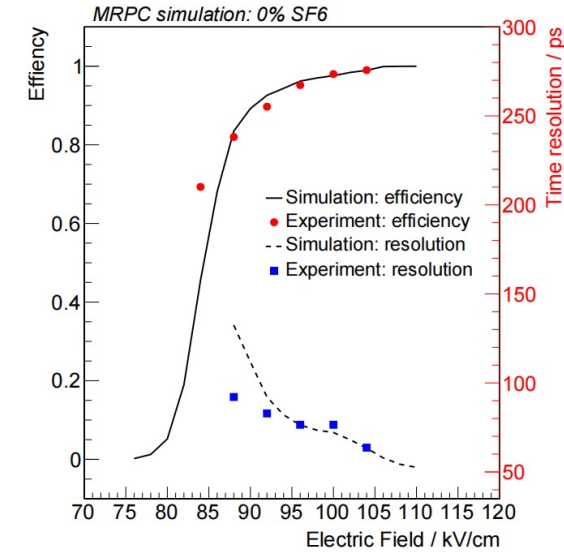
❑ Tsinghua has developed an efficient MRPC simulation tool

❑ Improvement for future study

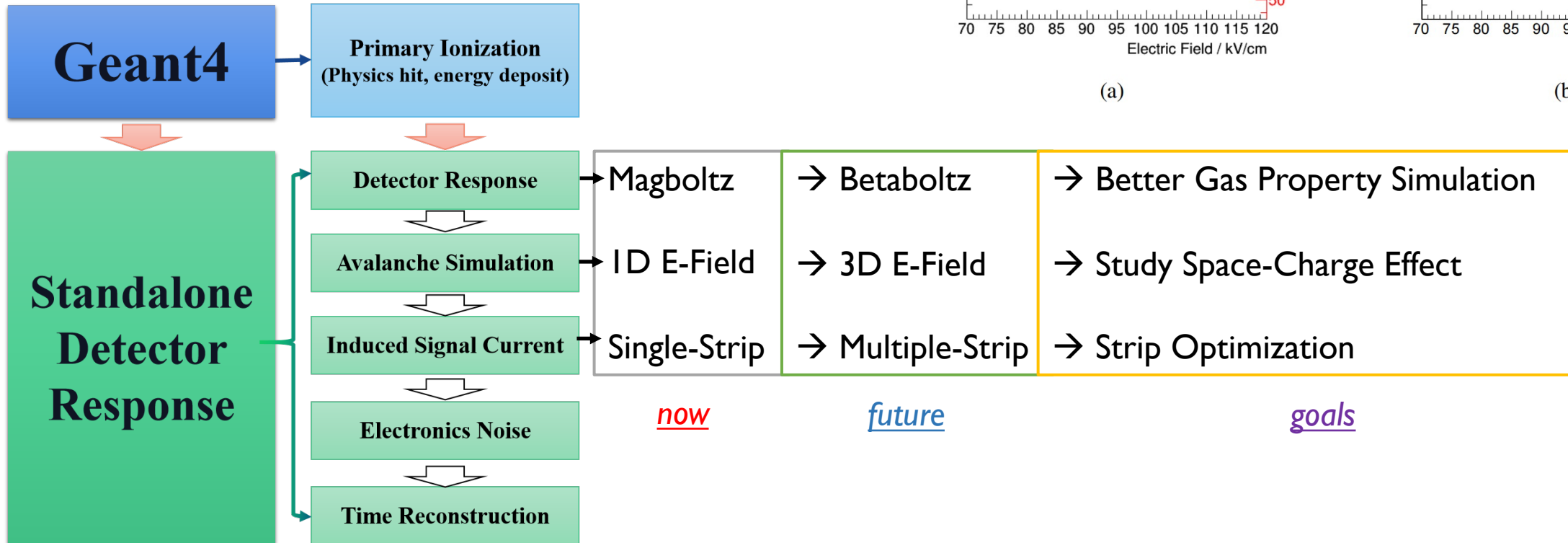
- Eco-friendly gas
- Reduce gaps (less radiation length)
- Improve spatial resolution



(a)

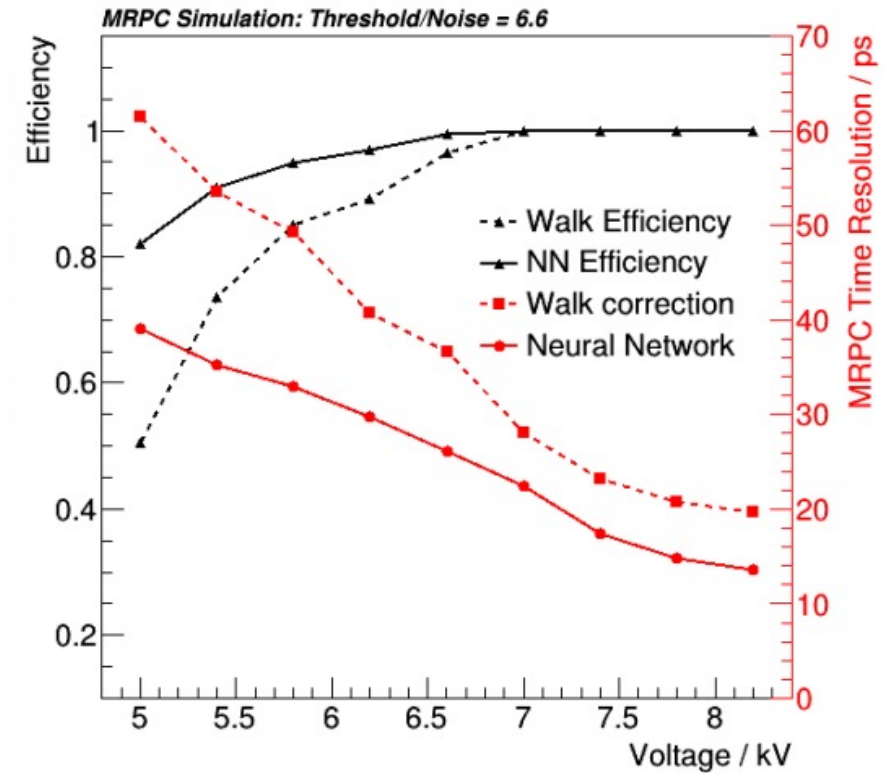
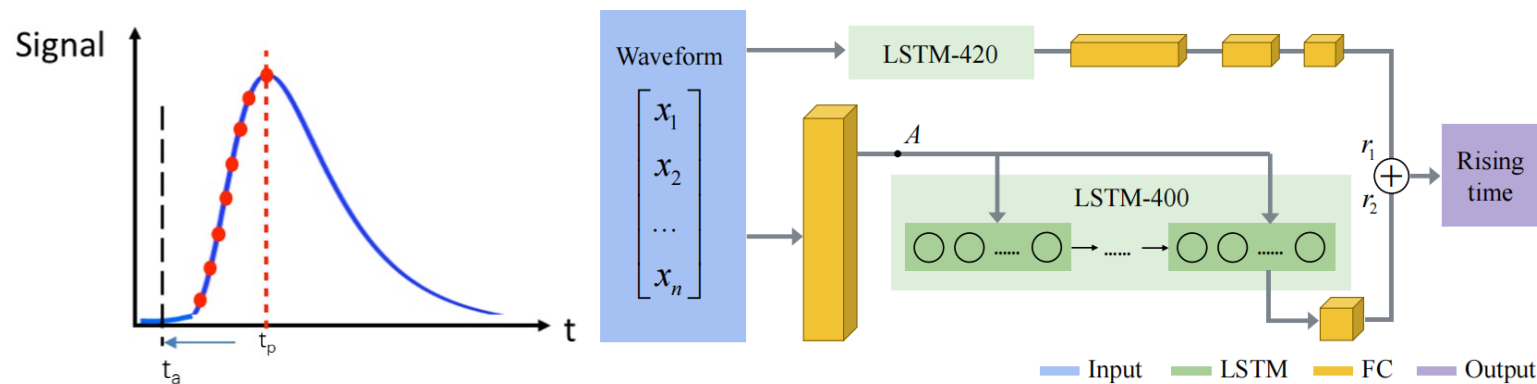


(b)



## ➤ Time-Correction with Machine-Learning

- ❑ ToT method is limited by pulse height, noise, and TDC resolution
- ❑ Limited improvement by offline time-walk correction (w/ ADC info)
- ❑ Waveform Sampling → higher precision
- ✓ Further improvement w/ ComLSTM neural network model



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### ❑ To dos:

- ✓ Use modern machine-learning tools
- ✓ Train with new simulation data
- ✓ Check with beam-test data