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ArgonCube: LArTPC R&D for the DUNE Near Detector



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Basic Principles of ArgonCube

Segment the detector into a number of self-contained TPCs

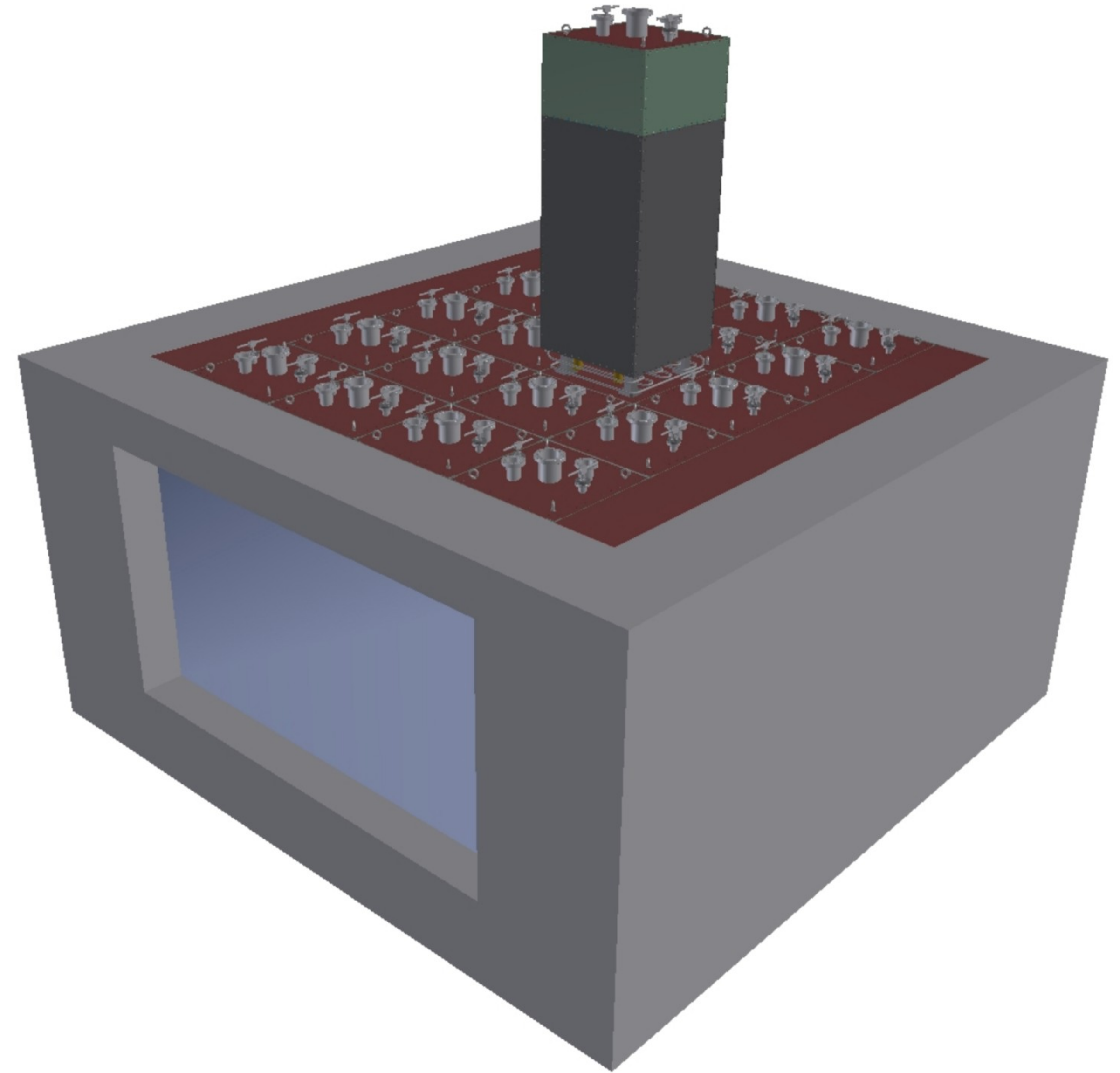
Shorter drift distances

Reduced HV and LAr purity requirements

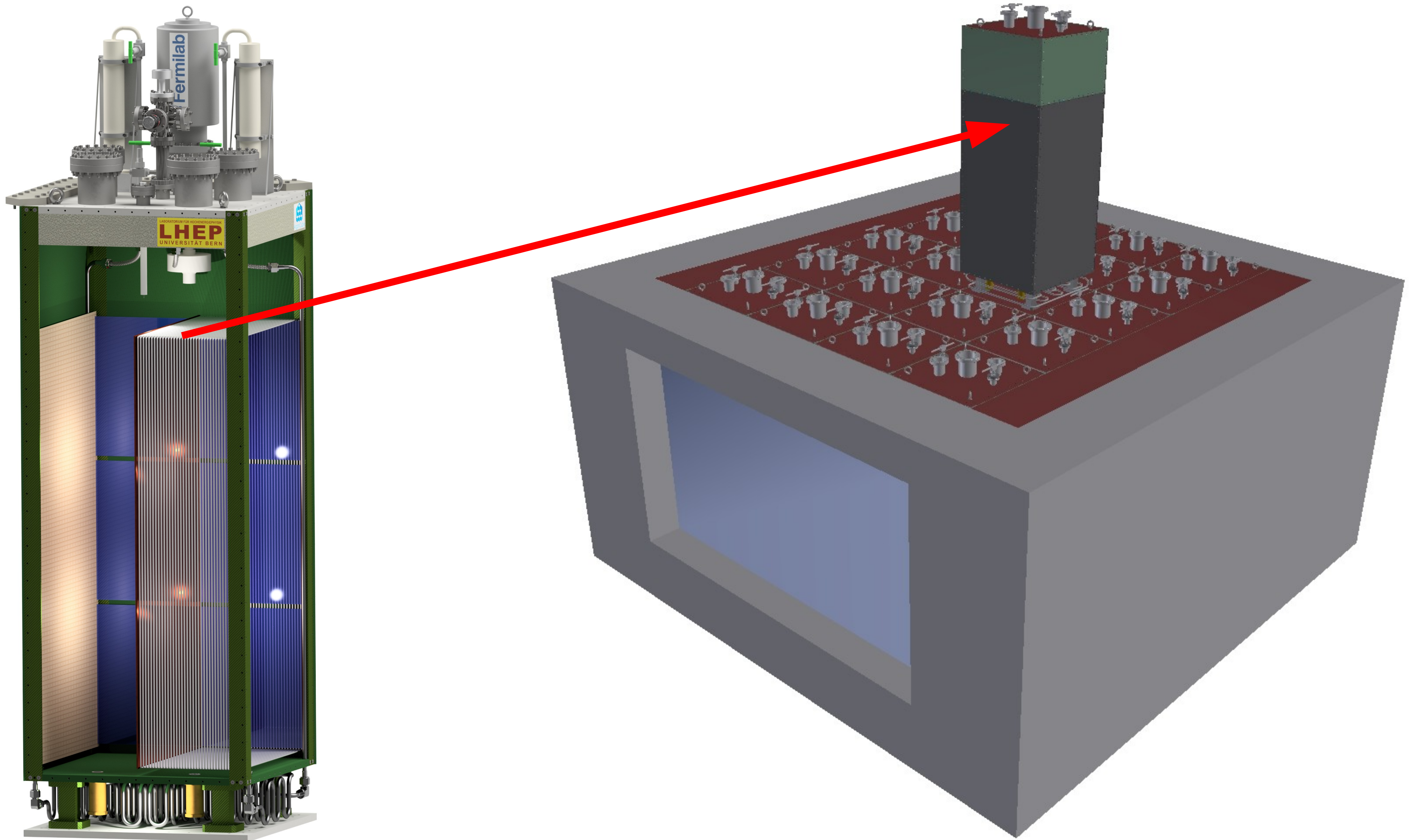
Contained scintillation light

Ability to isolate effects of malfunctions in E-field or LAr purity

A robust modular LArTPC capable of operation in high multiplicity environments.



Drawing of the baseline (5x4) ArgonCube ND component.



Cut-away illustration of an ArgonCube module, and an array of modules in a common cryostat (N.B. Modules will be sealed.)³

ArgonCube Modules

Opaque dielectric G10 structure (200 kV/cm @ 1 cm)

Transparent to tracks:

	LAr	G10
Rad. Length (cm)	14.0	19.4
Had. Int. Length (cm)	83.7	53.1

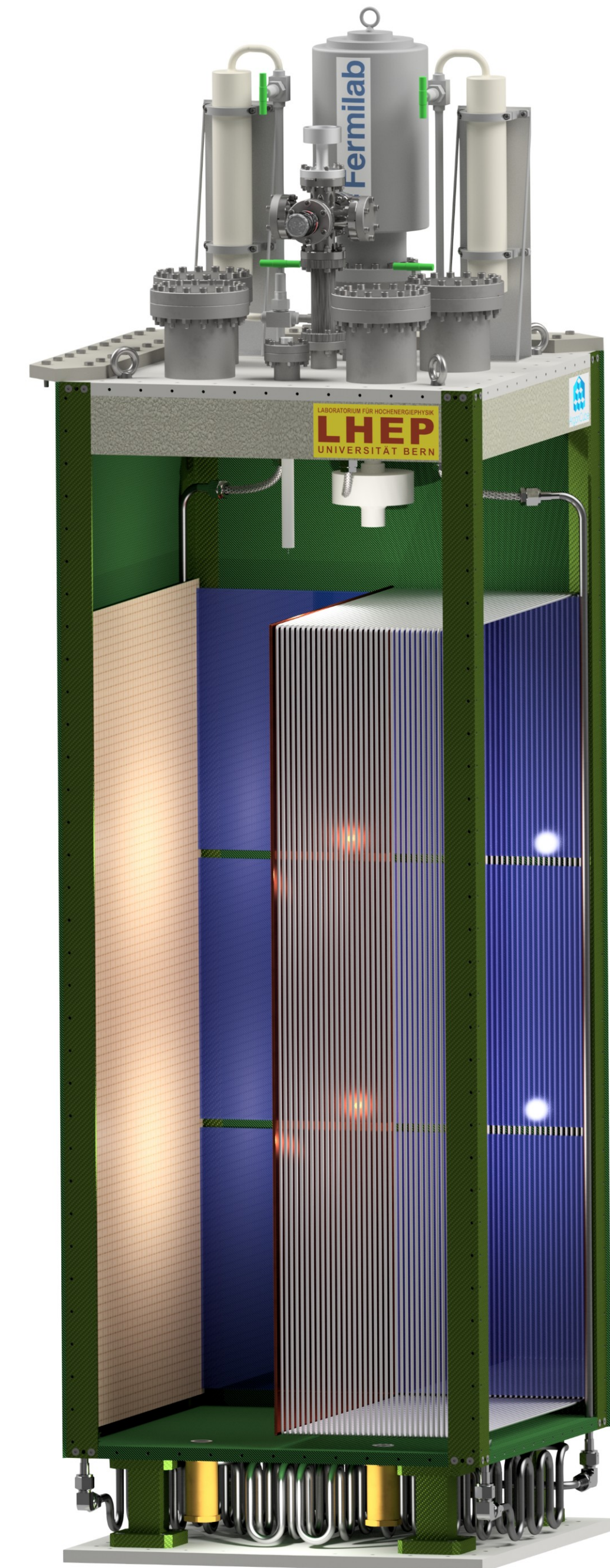
Maximise active volume. Minimise dead material.

Charge readout:

Compact, mechanically robust, and unambiguous

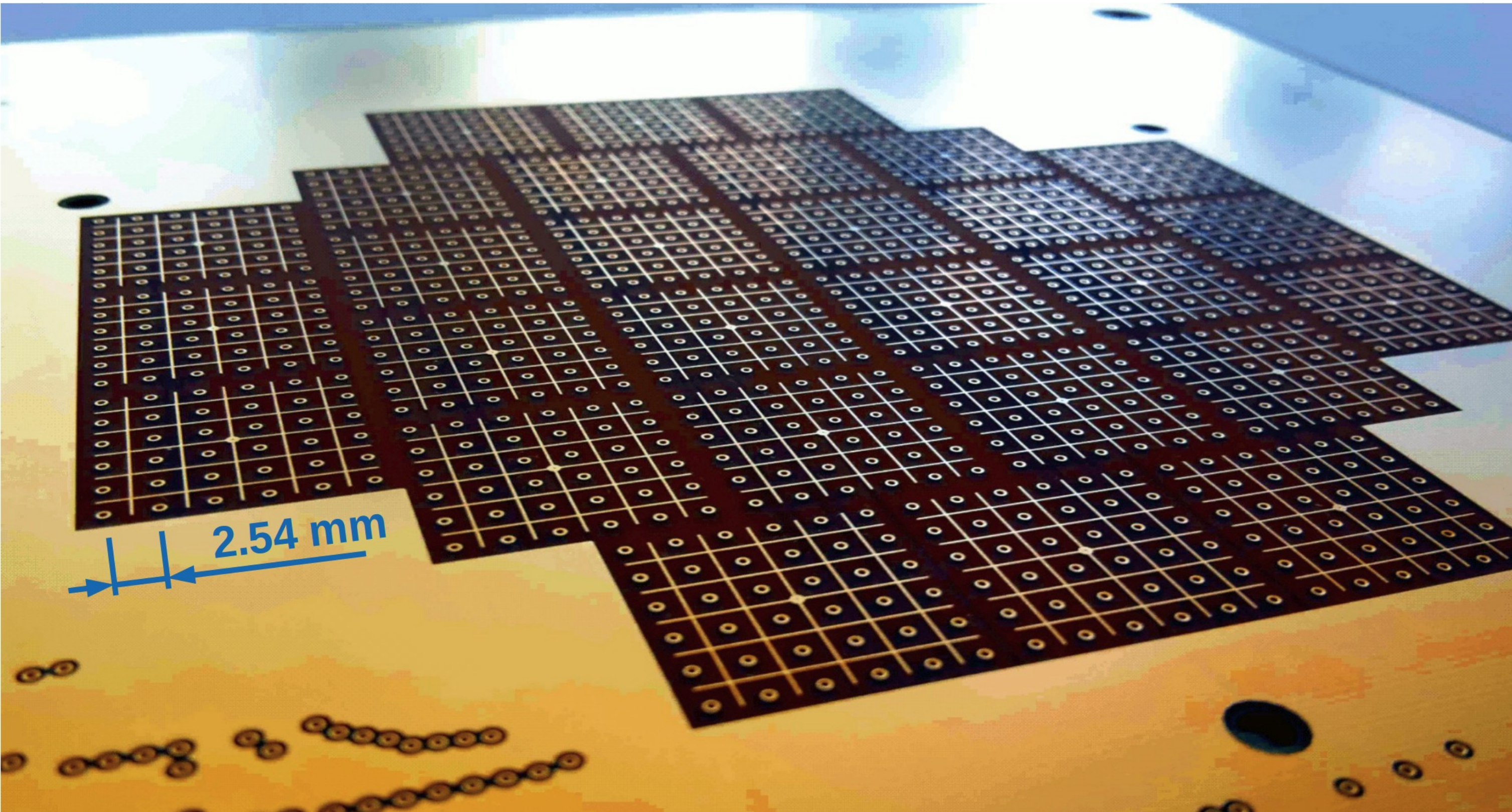
Light readout:

Compact, dielectric, and large area coverage

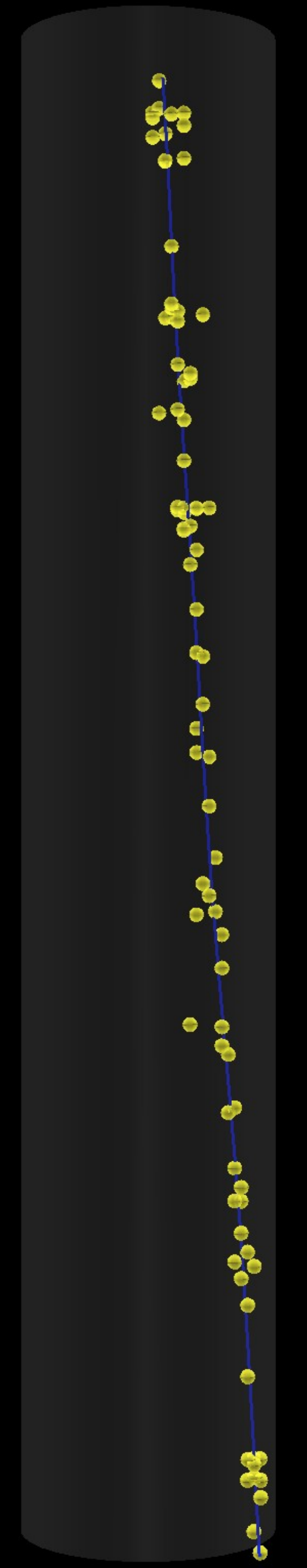
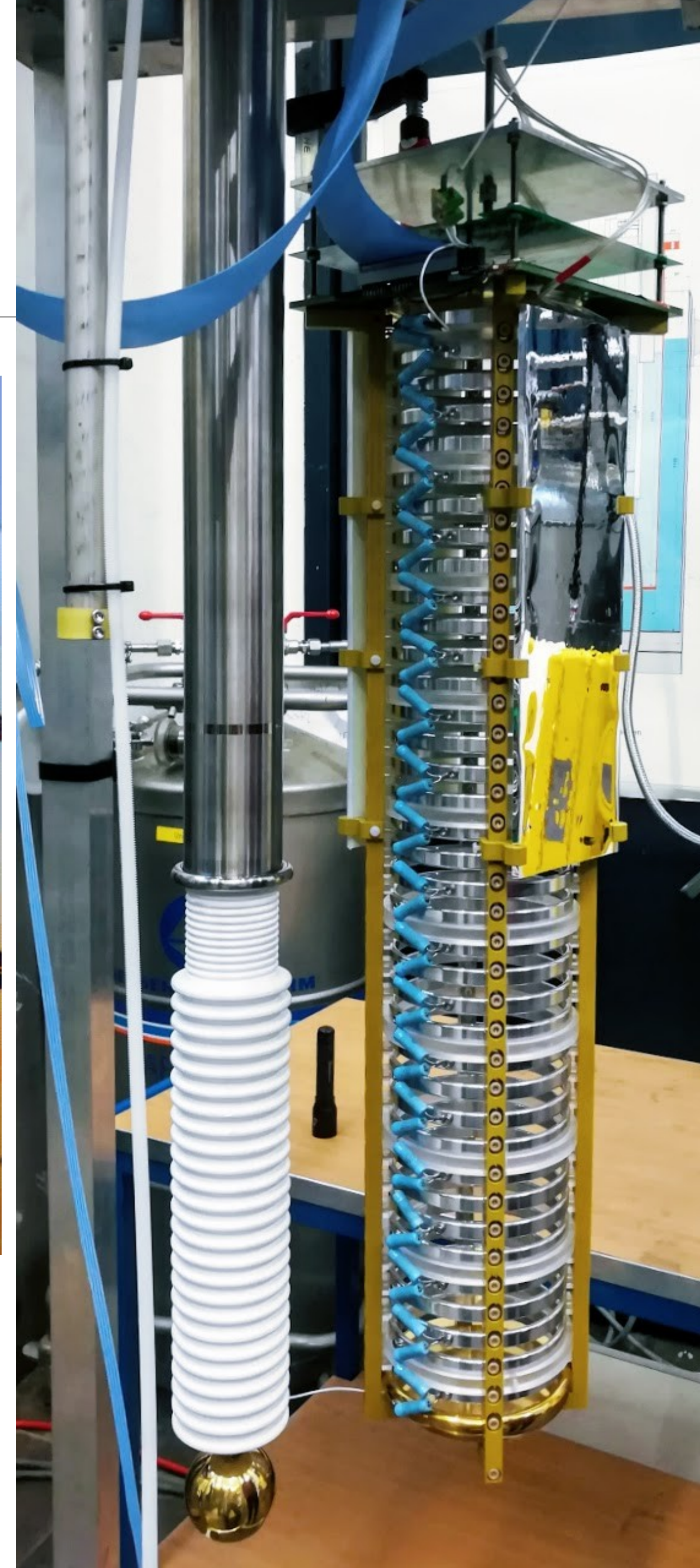


Cut-away illustration of an ArgonCube module⁴

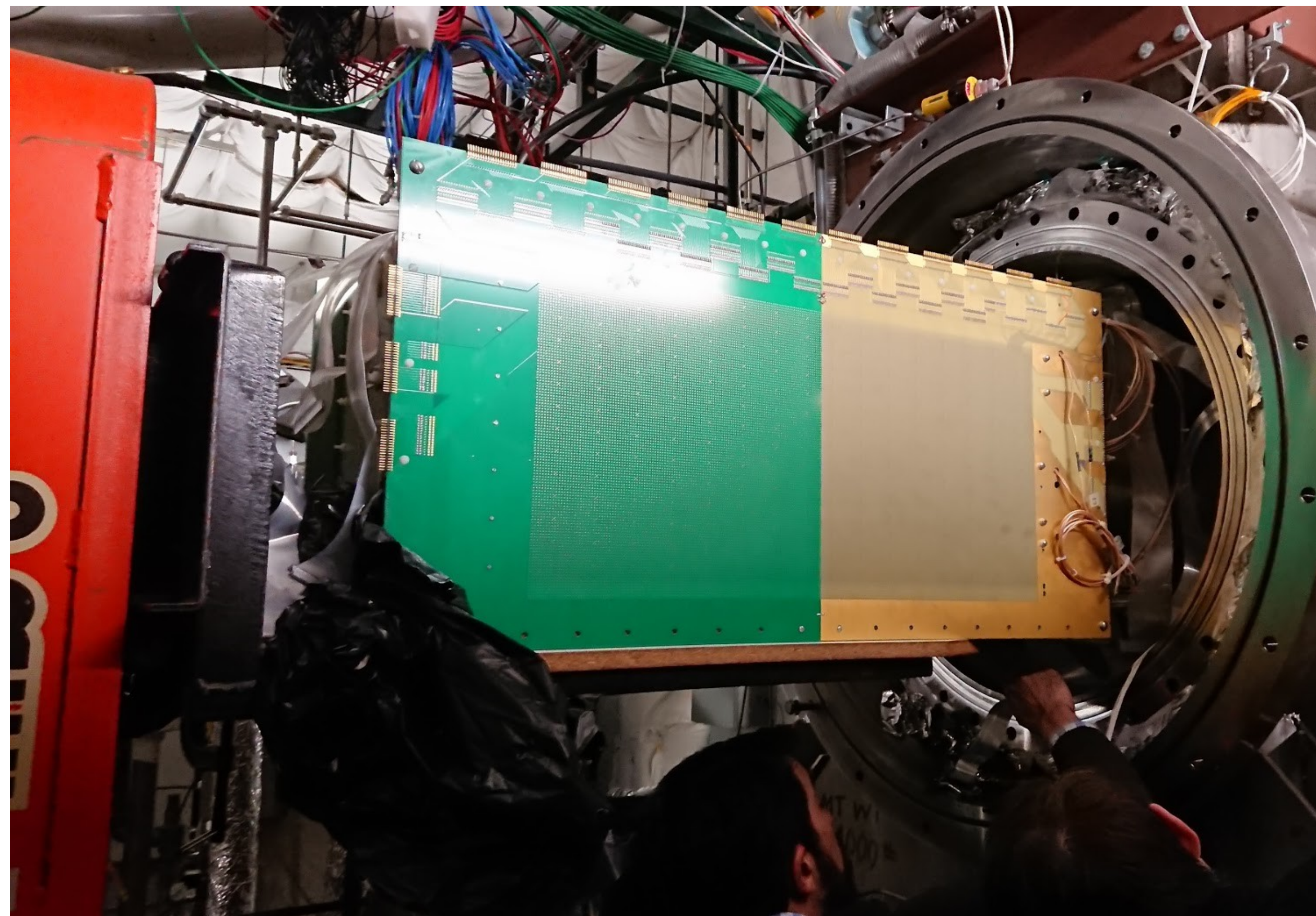
Pixel Demonstration TPC



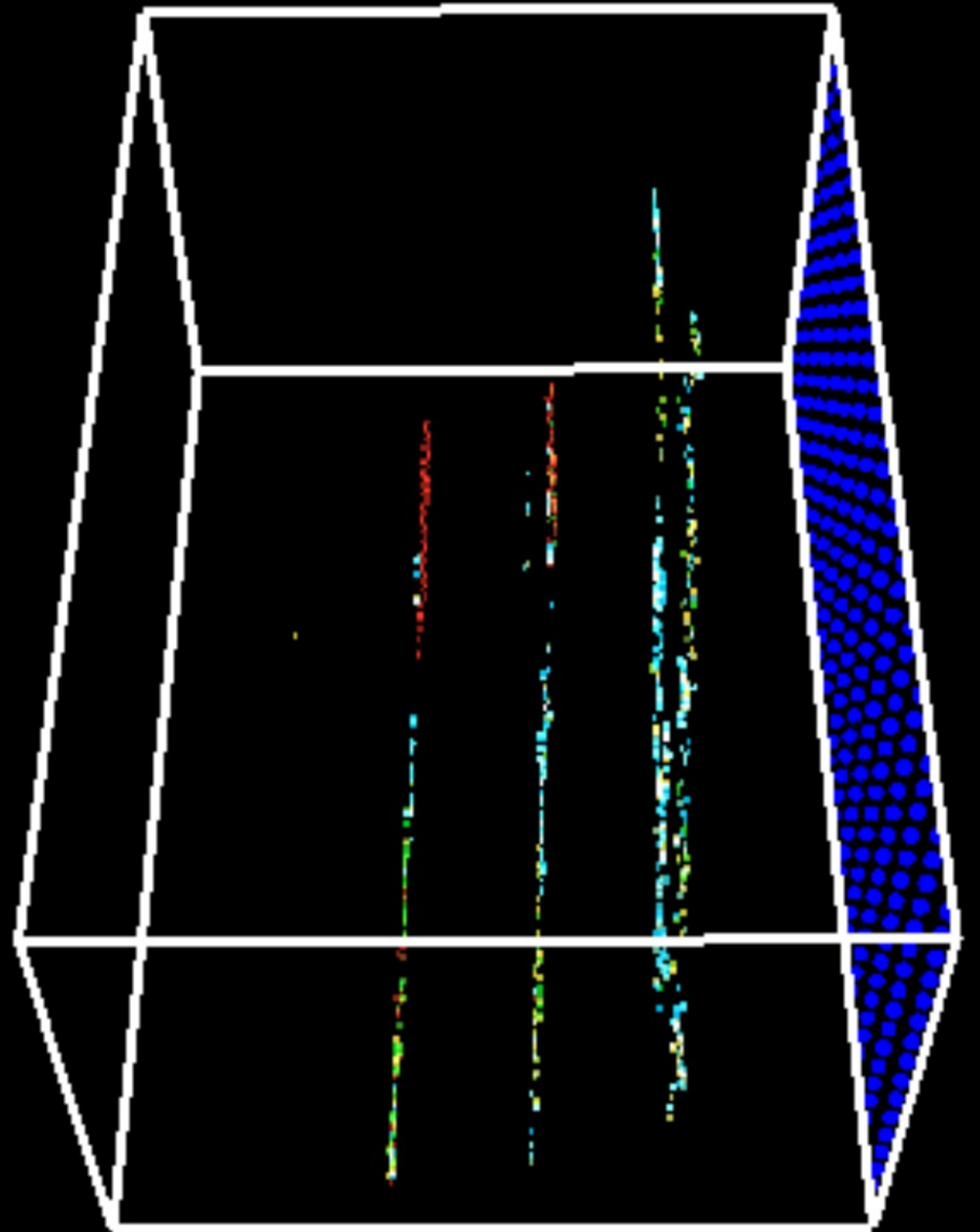
60 cm drift pixel demonstration TPC in Bern
First operated summer 2016 ([arXiv:1801.08884](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.08884))



Pixels in a Test Beam

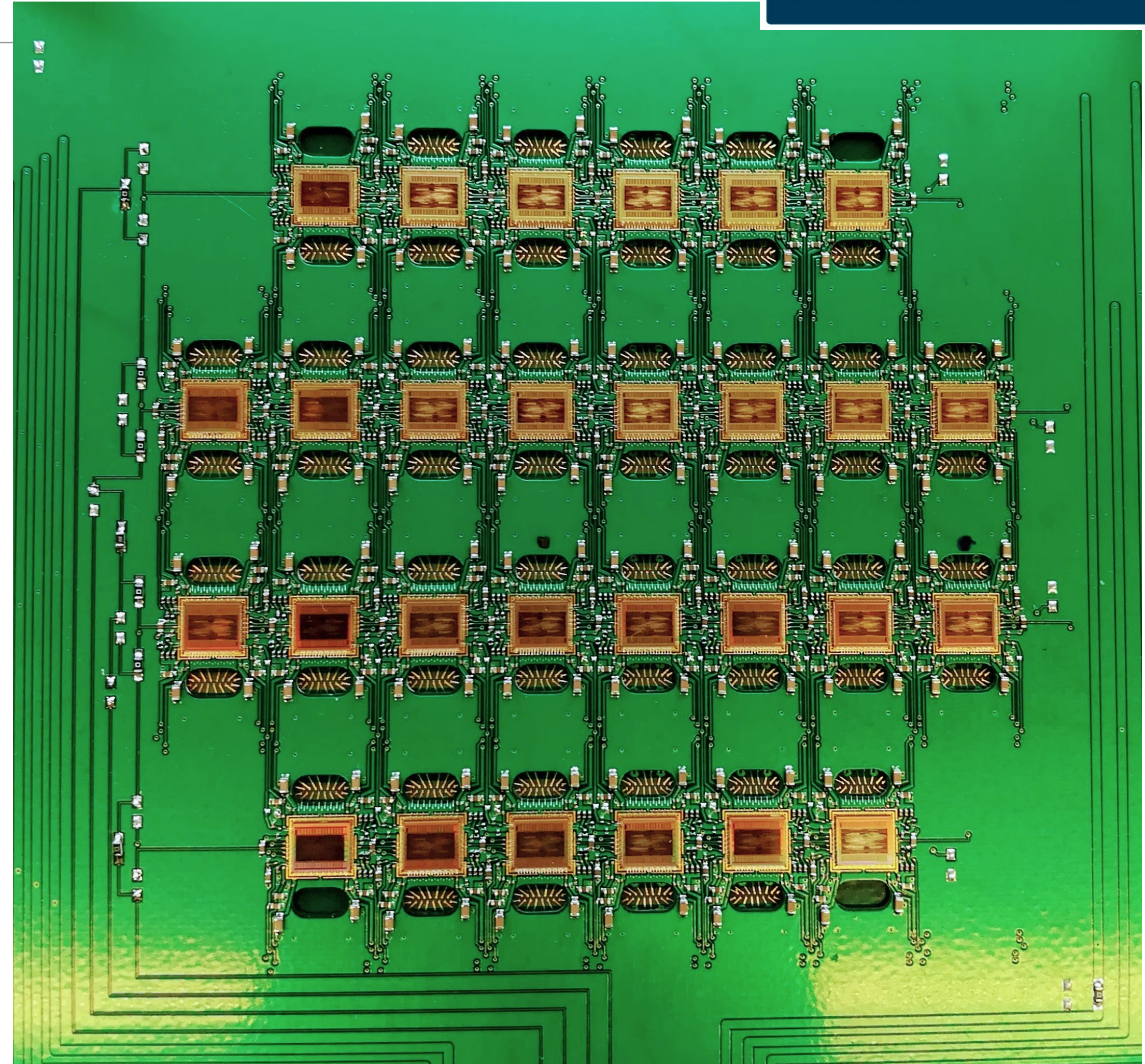
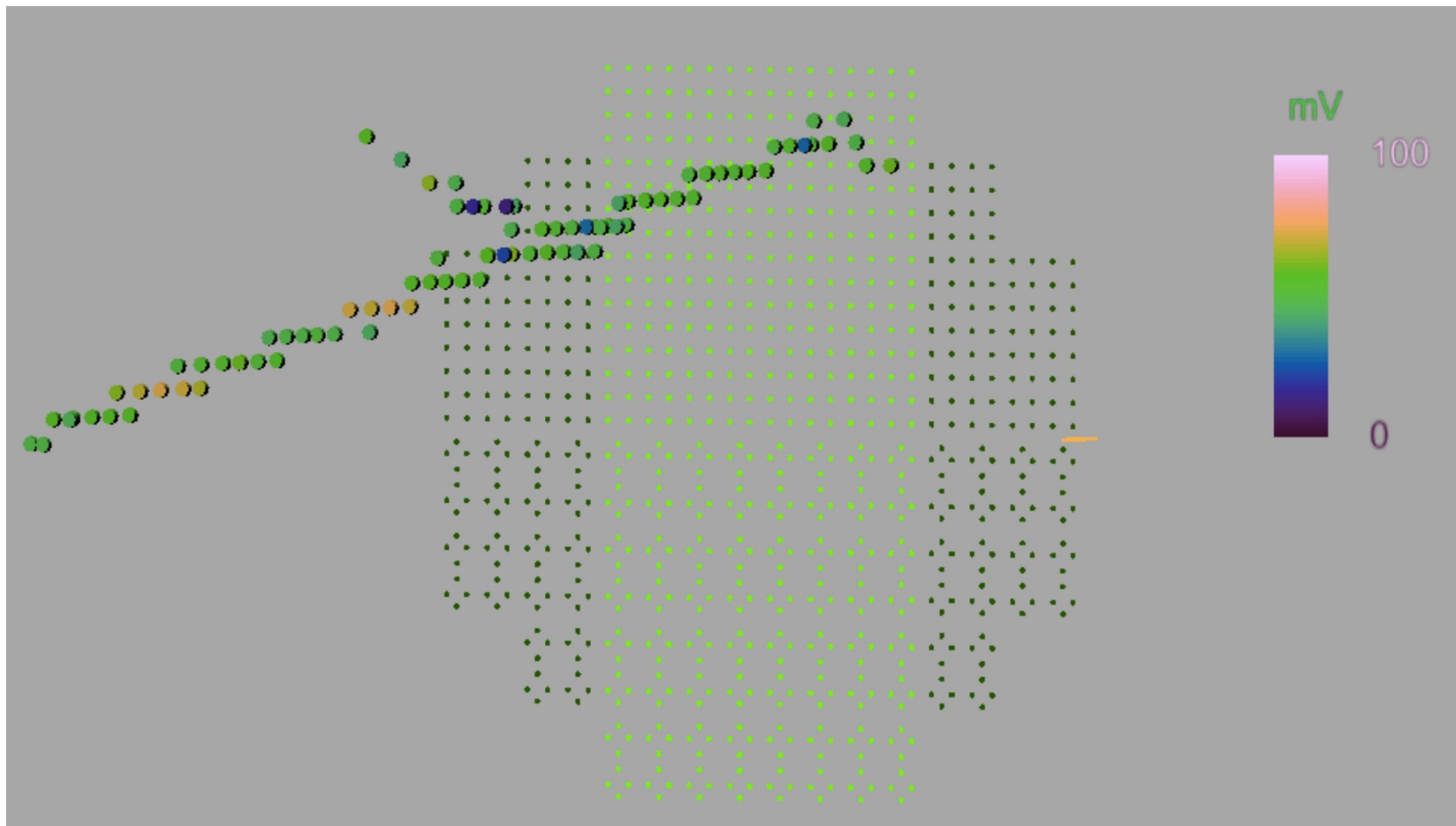


Pixel anode was fitted to LArIAT in FNAL
Operated winter 2017, analysis ongoing



Unambiguous Charge Readout **See Dan Dwyer's talk**

Cold amplification and digitisation demonstrated with LArPixV1 ASIC ([arXiv:1808.02969](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.02969)).
Unambiguous 3D information.



LArPixV1 ASIC mounted on reverse of pixel anode.

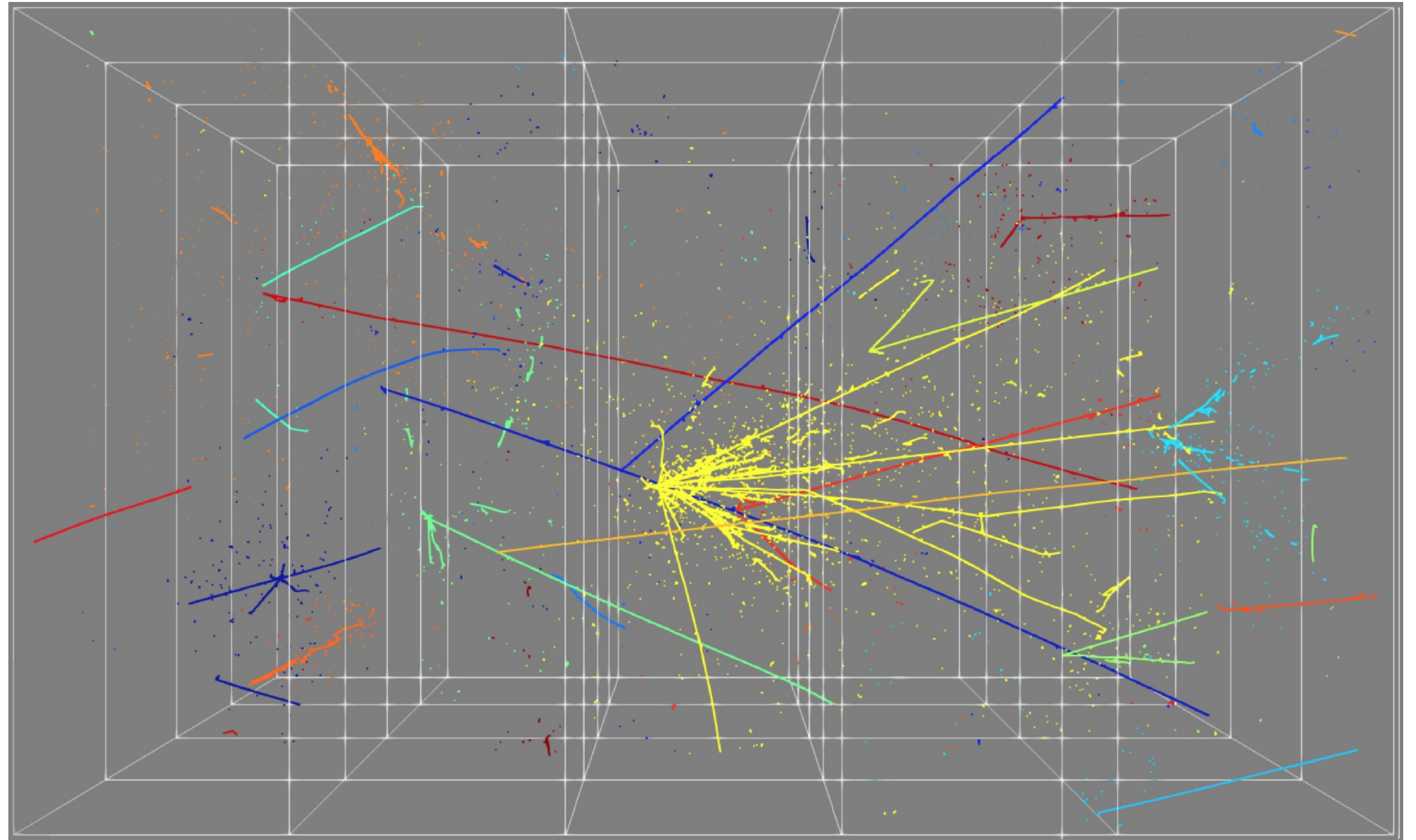
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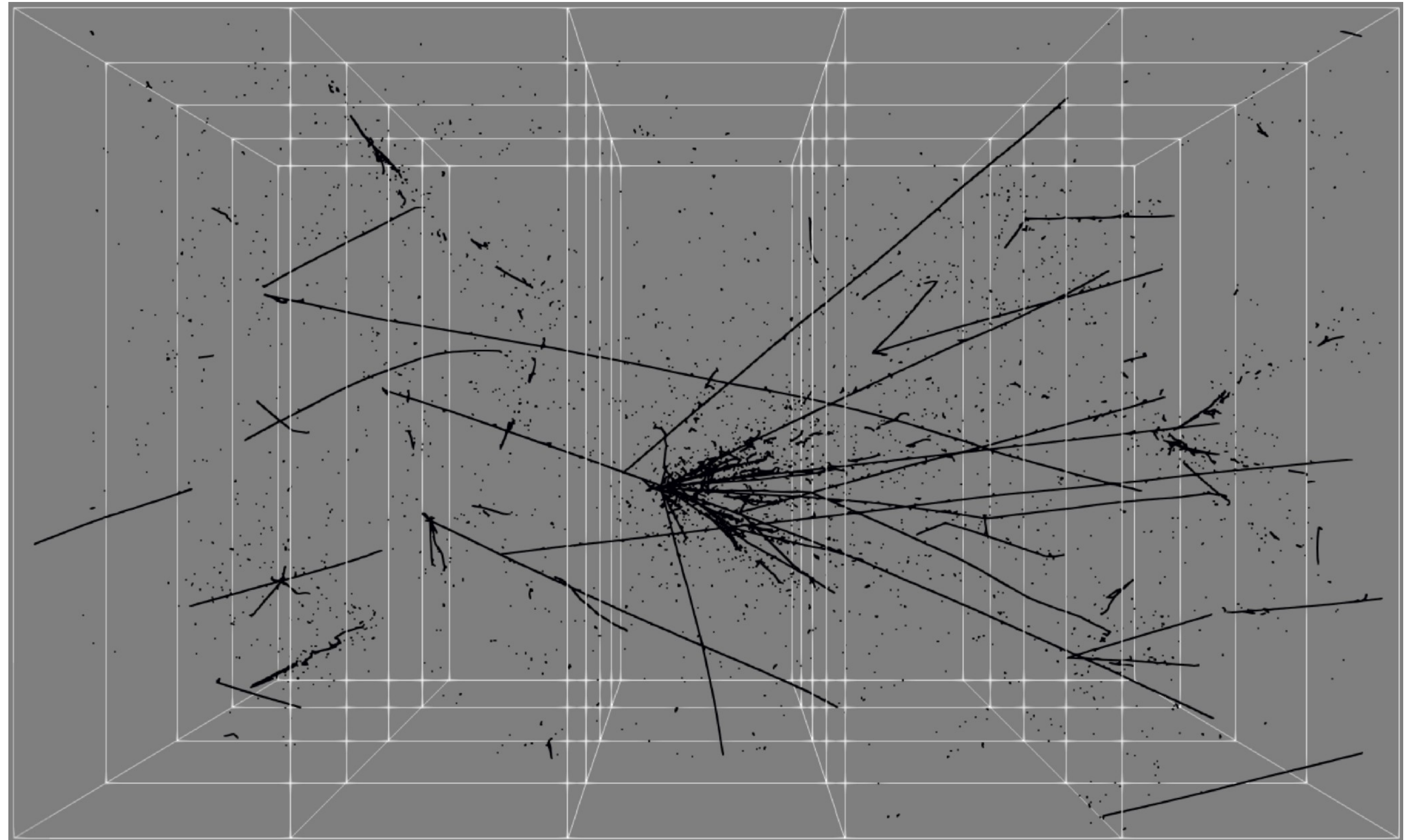
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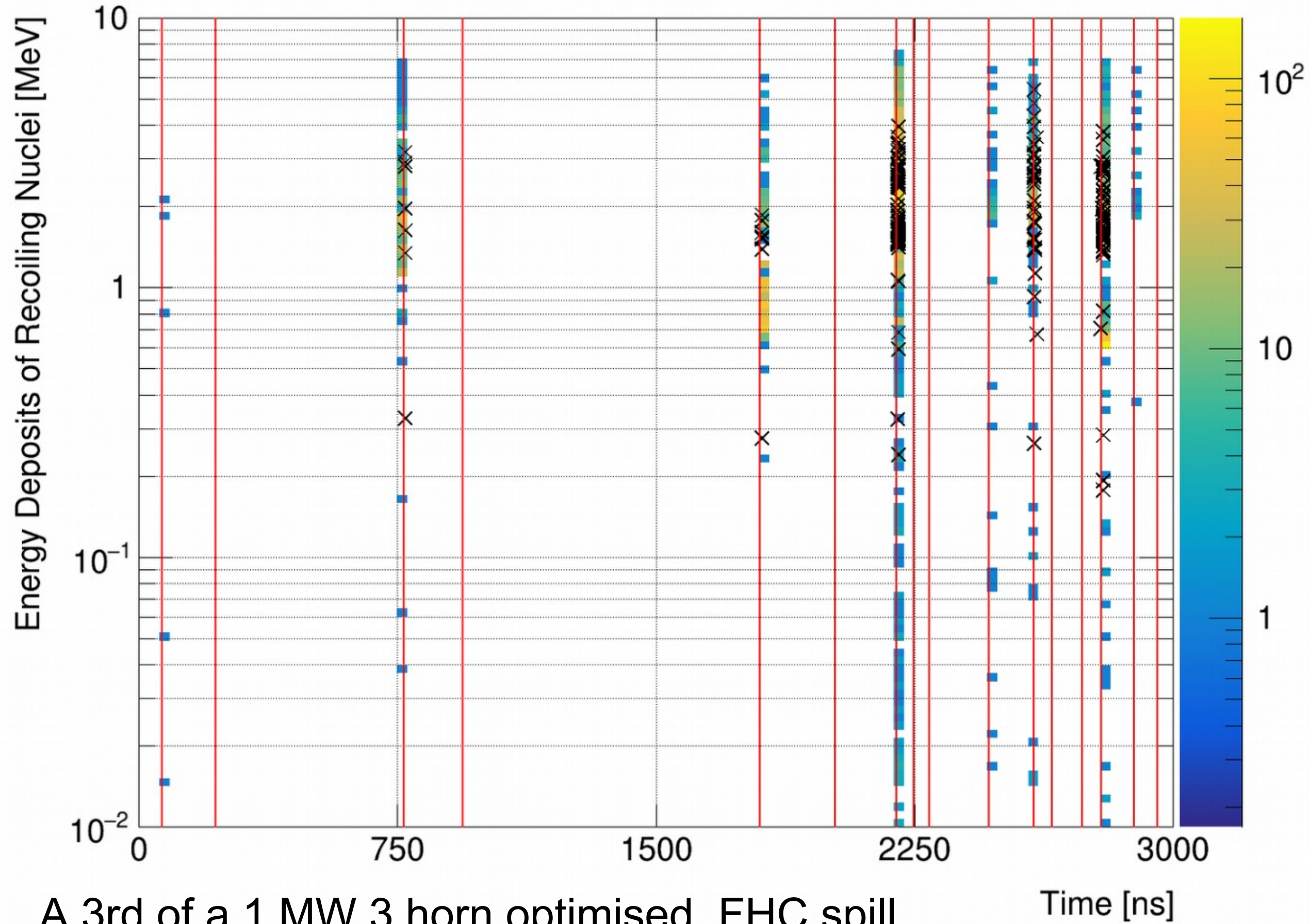
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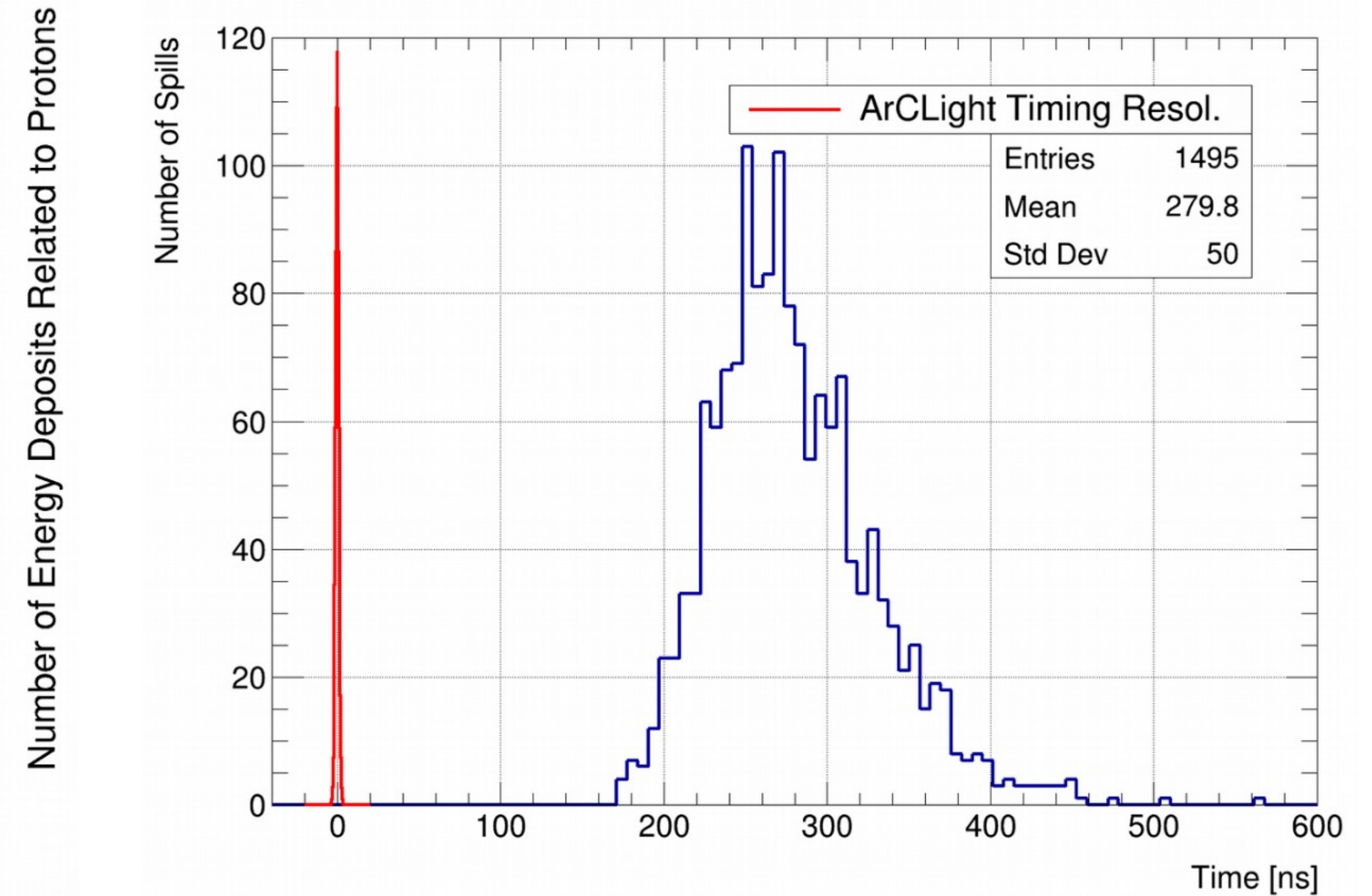


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Neutrino Vertex Temporal Separation



A 3rd of a 1 MW 3 horn optimised, FHC spill
 Temporal separation of neutrino events (red), recoiling protons (coloured), and nuclear recoil (X)



The mean temporal separation of vertices in a spill

Use prompt light from protons and vertex to associate tagged neutrons with correct ν -interactions.

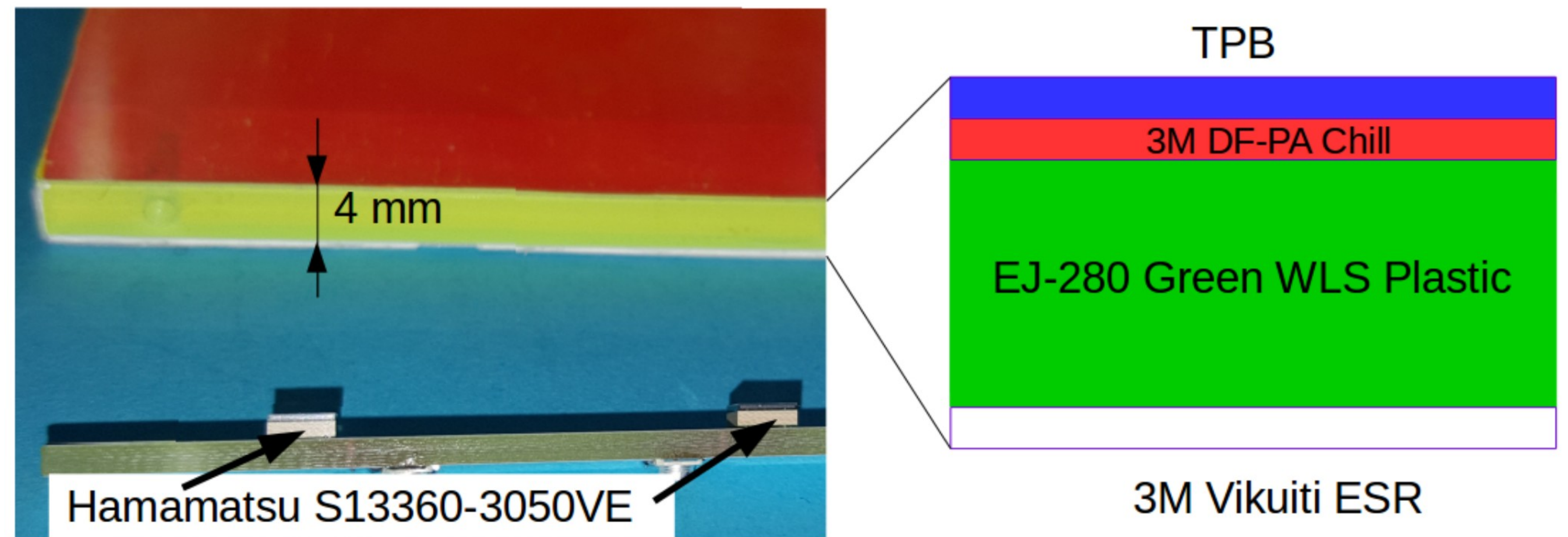
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ArCLight cross-section

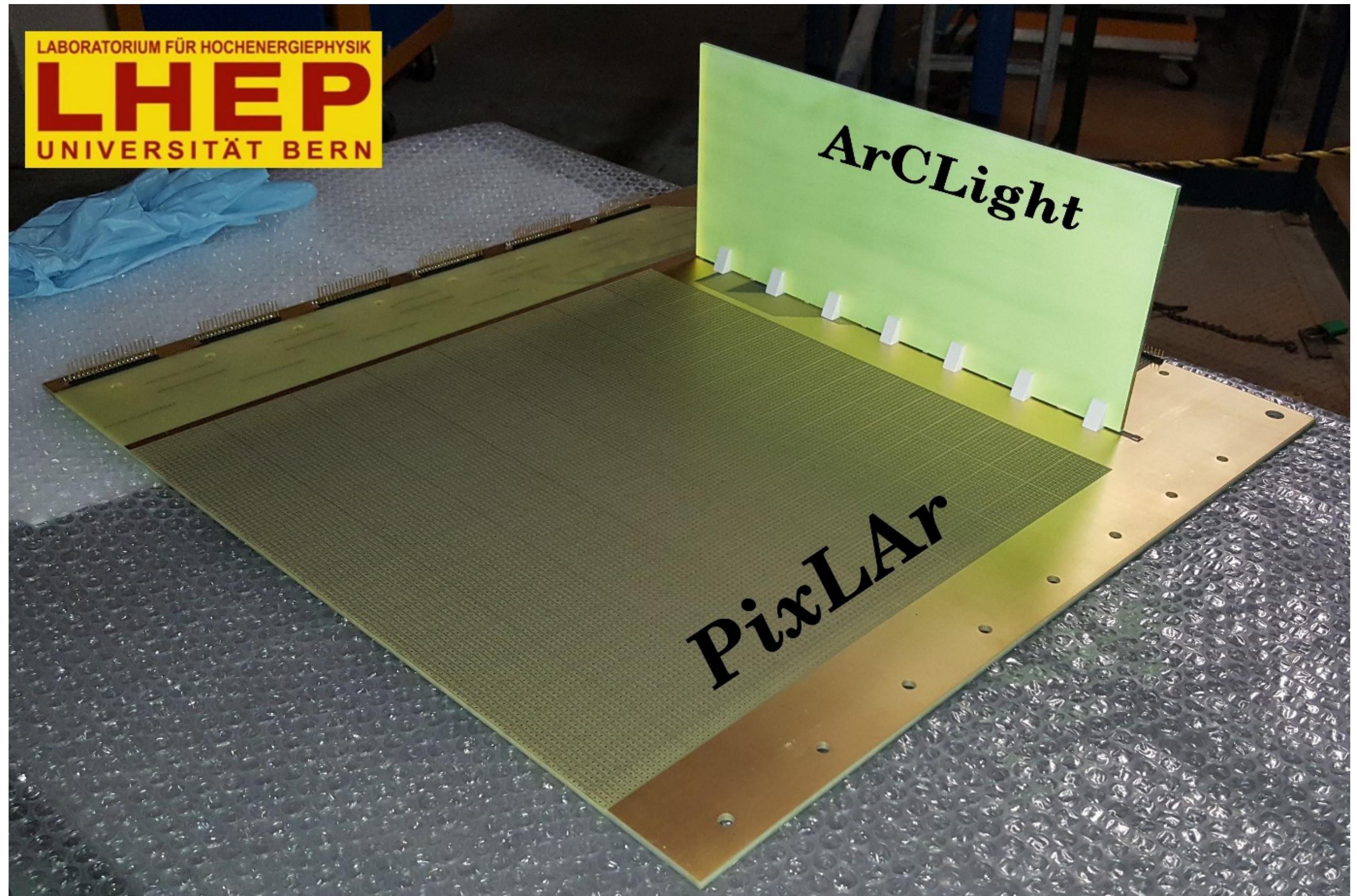
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ArCLight mounted on one half of the PixLAR pixel plane

Field Cage → Field Shell

Continuous resistive plane formed of 50 μm carbon-loaded Kapton.

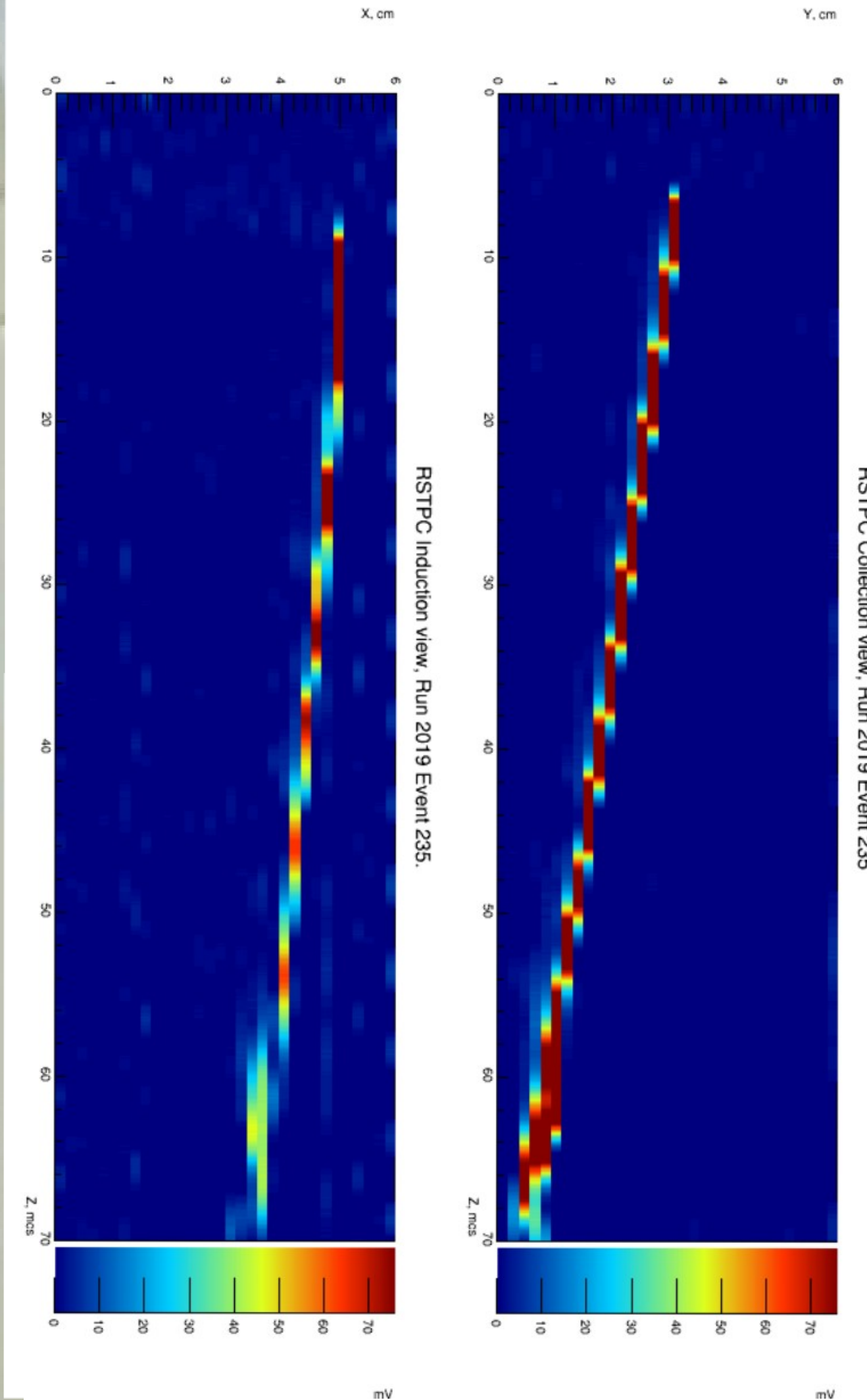
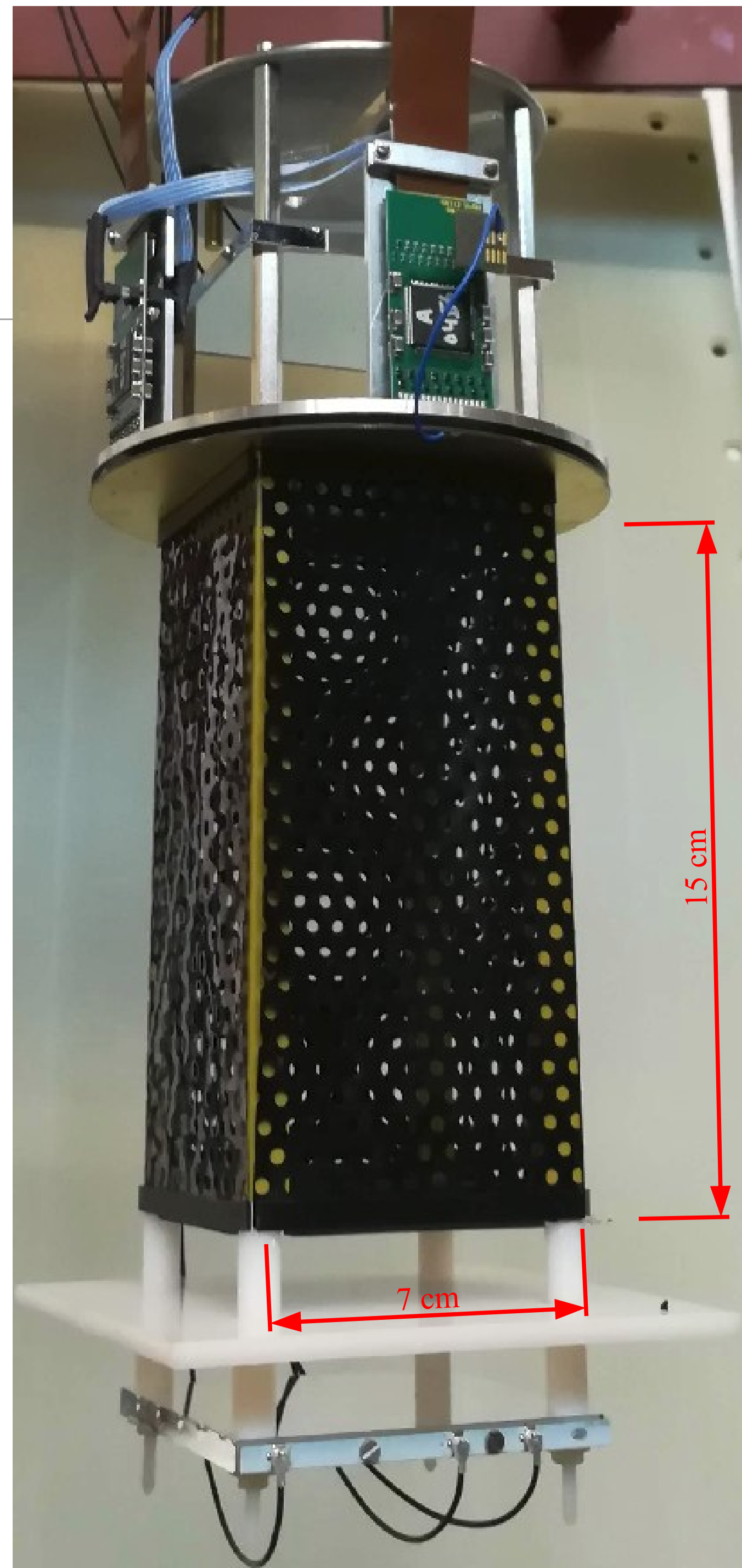
15 cm drift TPC.

E-field range 0 kV/cm \rightarrow 1.5 kV/cm.

Triggering on crossing muons.

Straight tracks observed across a range of E-fields.

Field uniformity analysis pending.



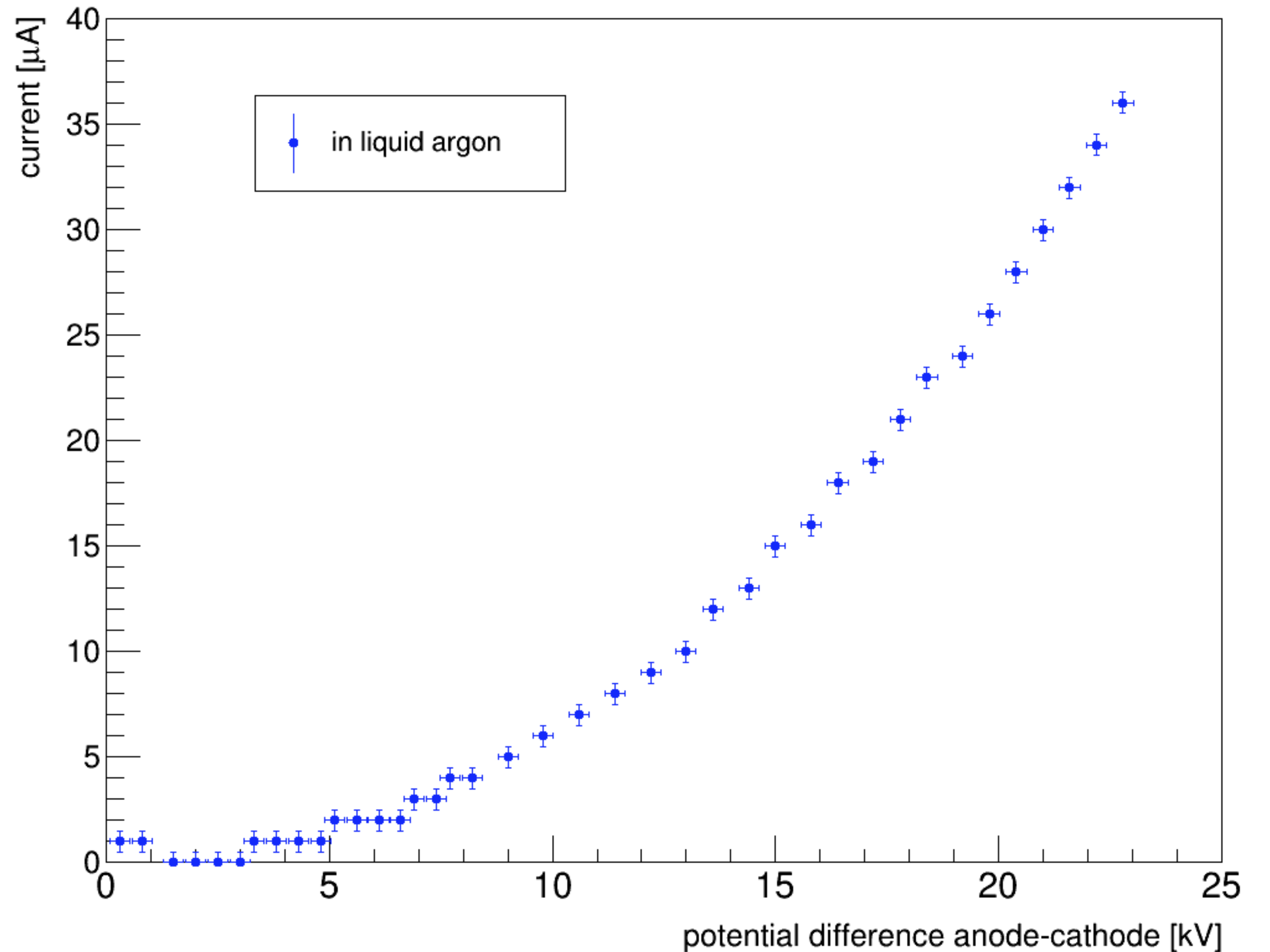
Resistive Shell TPC Results

Non-linear I-V relationship
observed at HV supply.

Resistivity remained in desired
range $O(1)$ G Ω /sq.

Results are promising, but must
be tested for larger sample.

2 G Ω /sq @ 1 kV/cm.



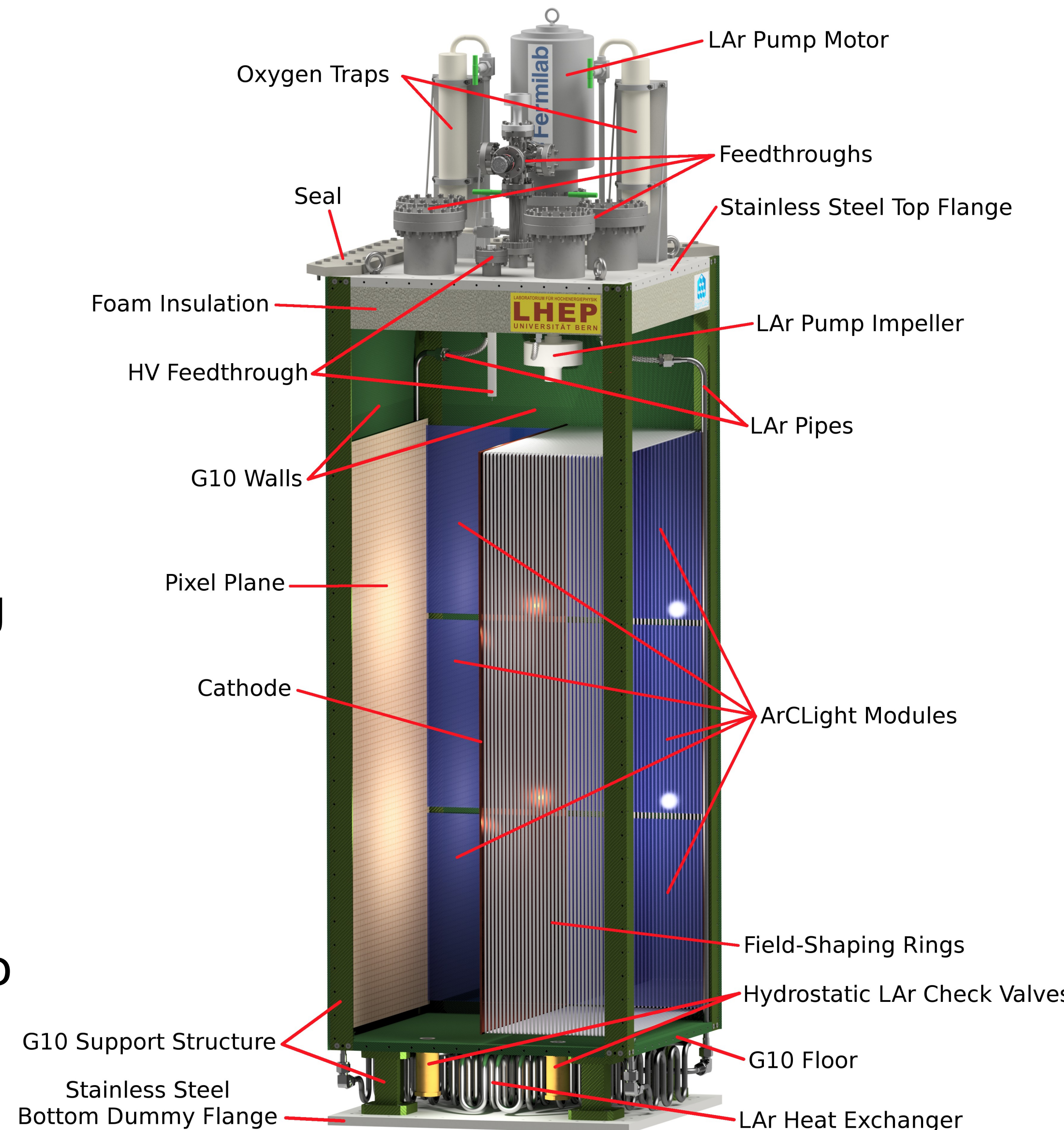
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2x2 Demonstrator module.

N.B. ND modules will not have individual pumps & filters

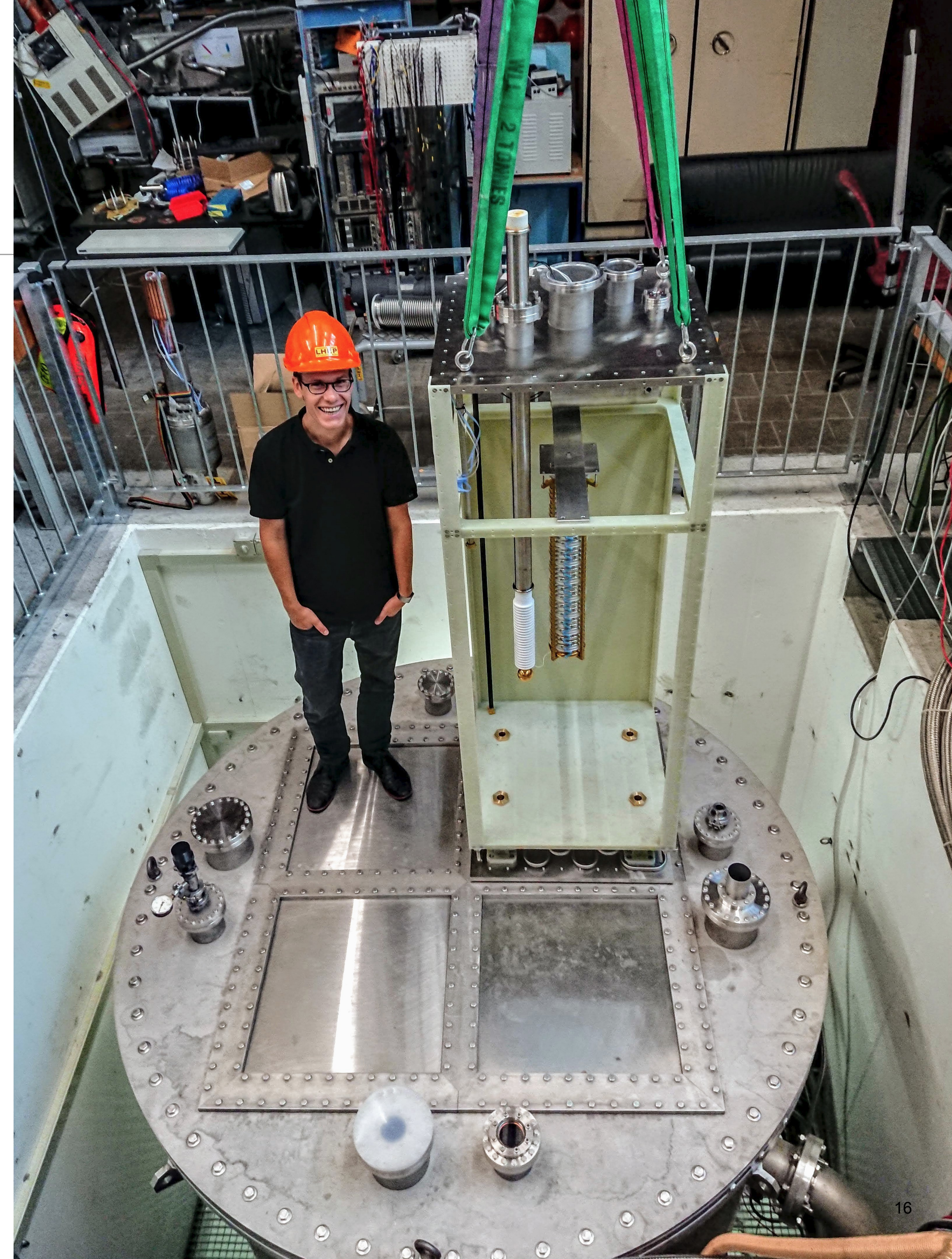
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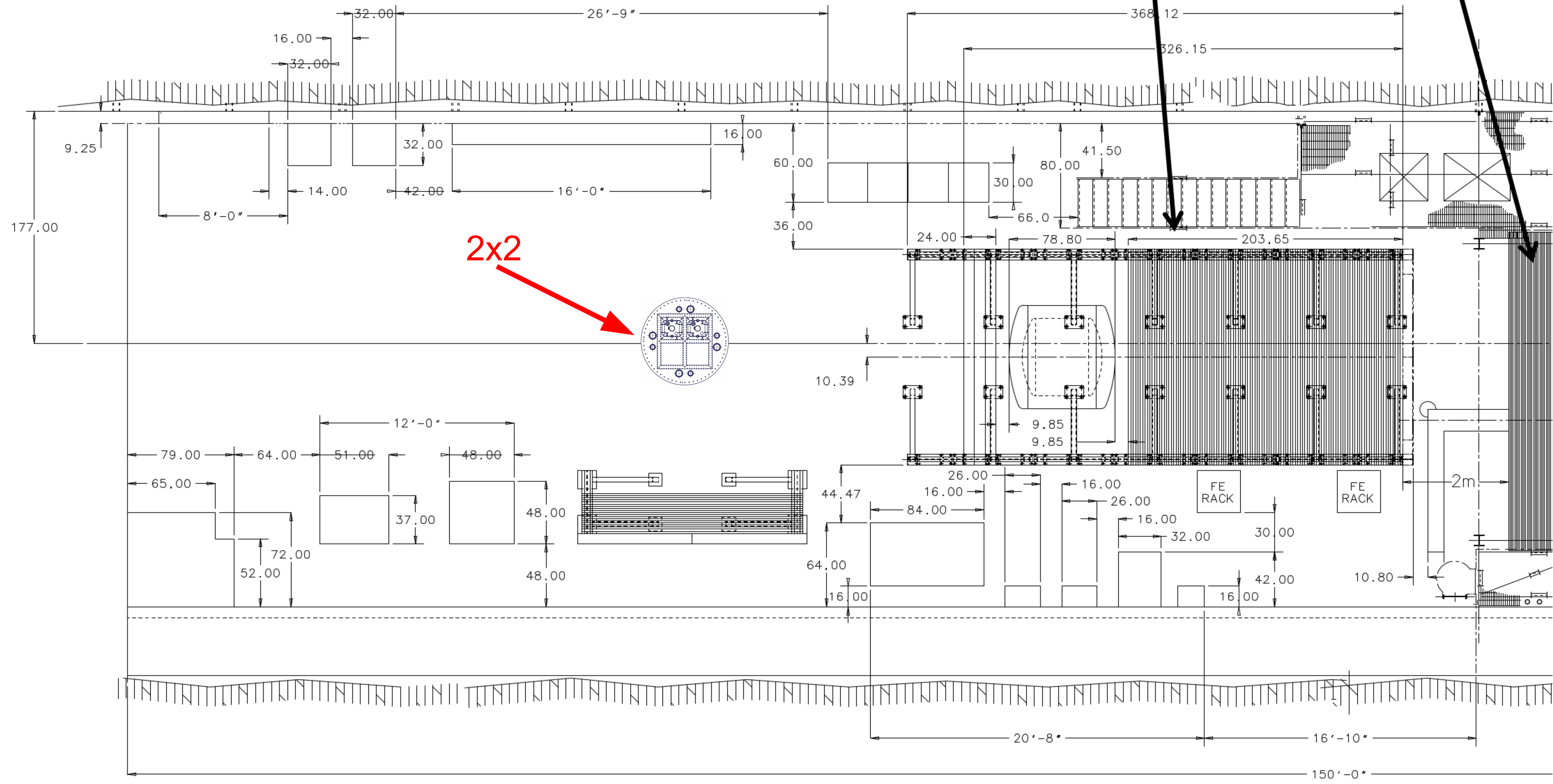




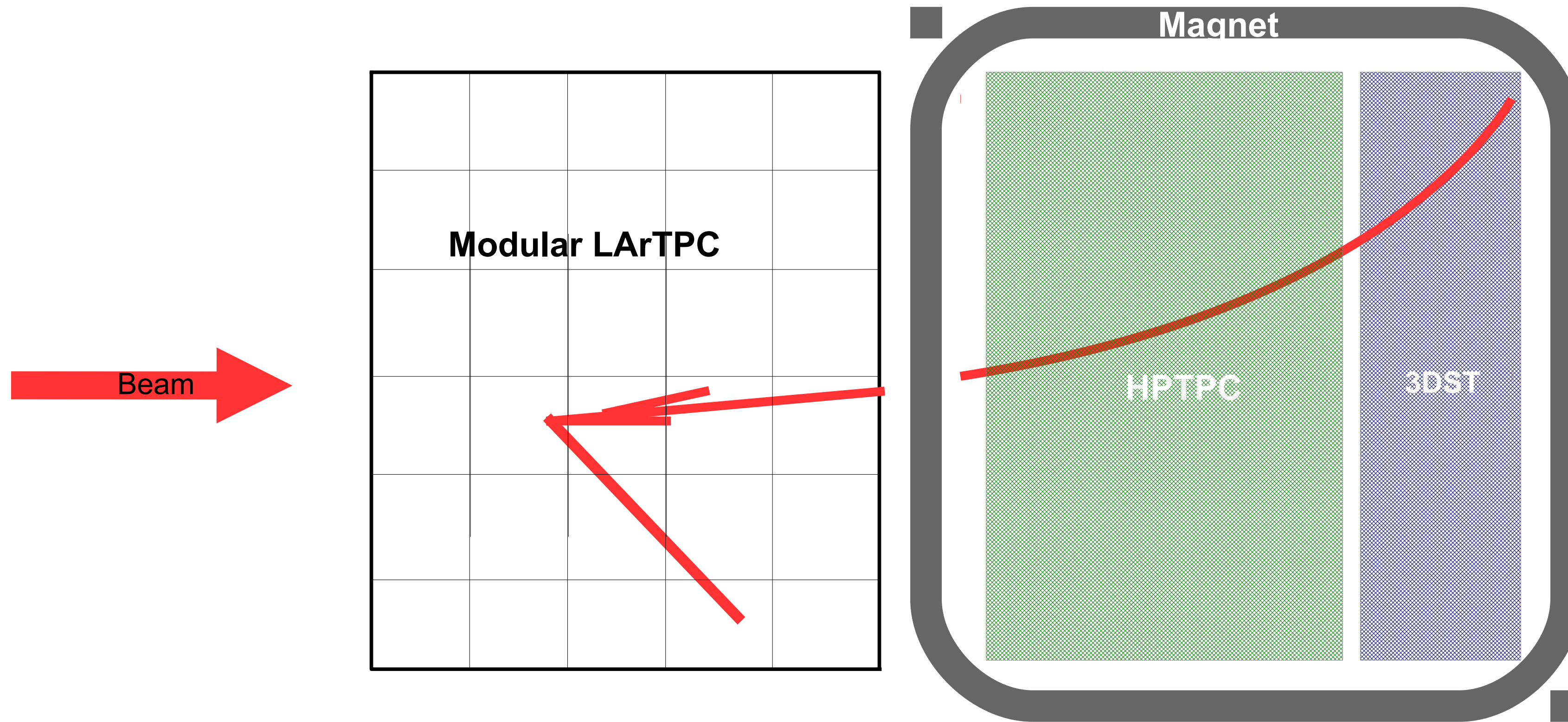
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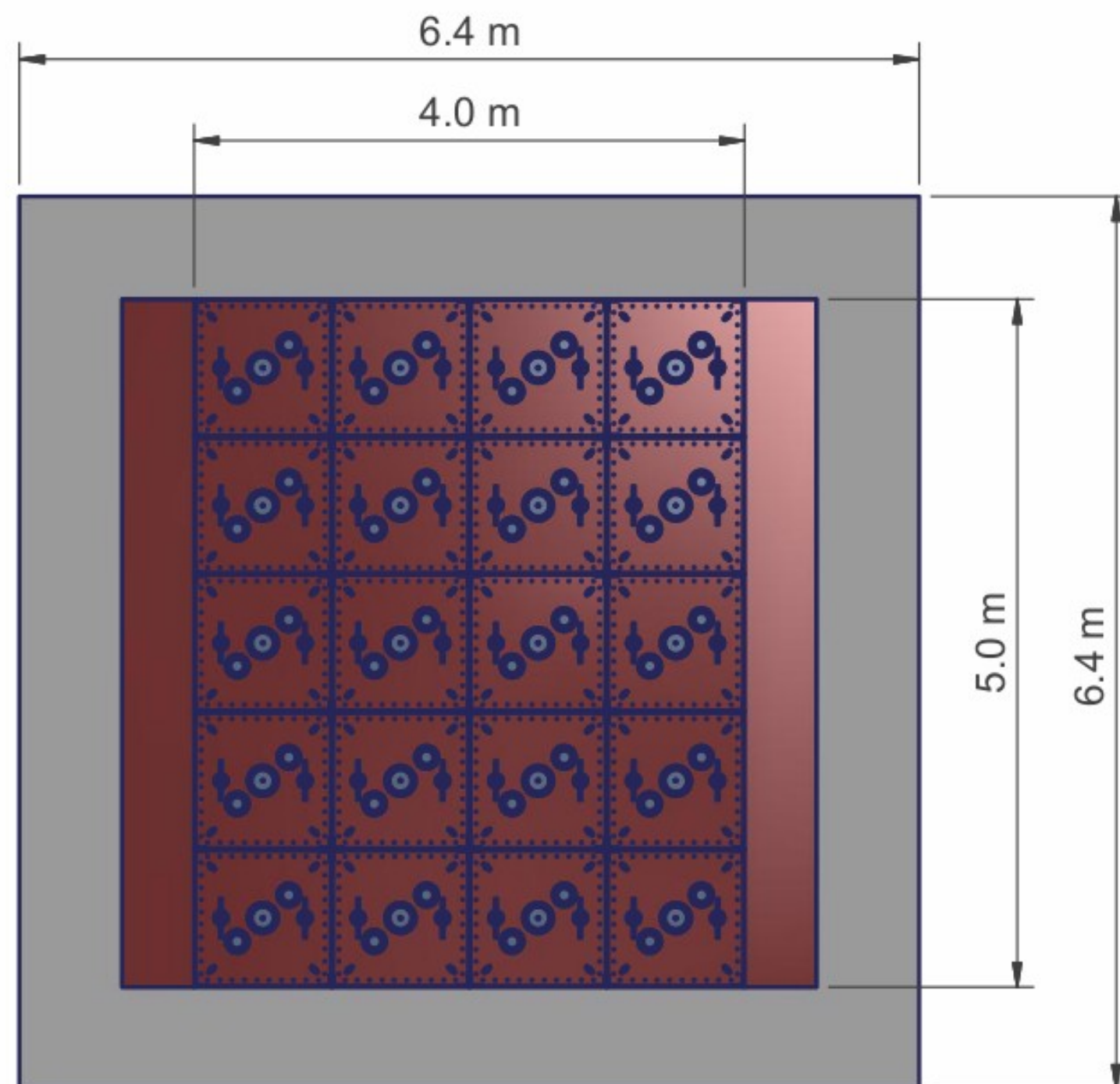
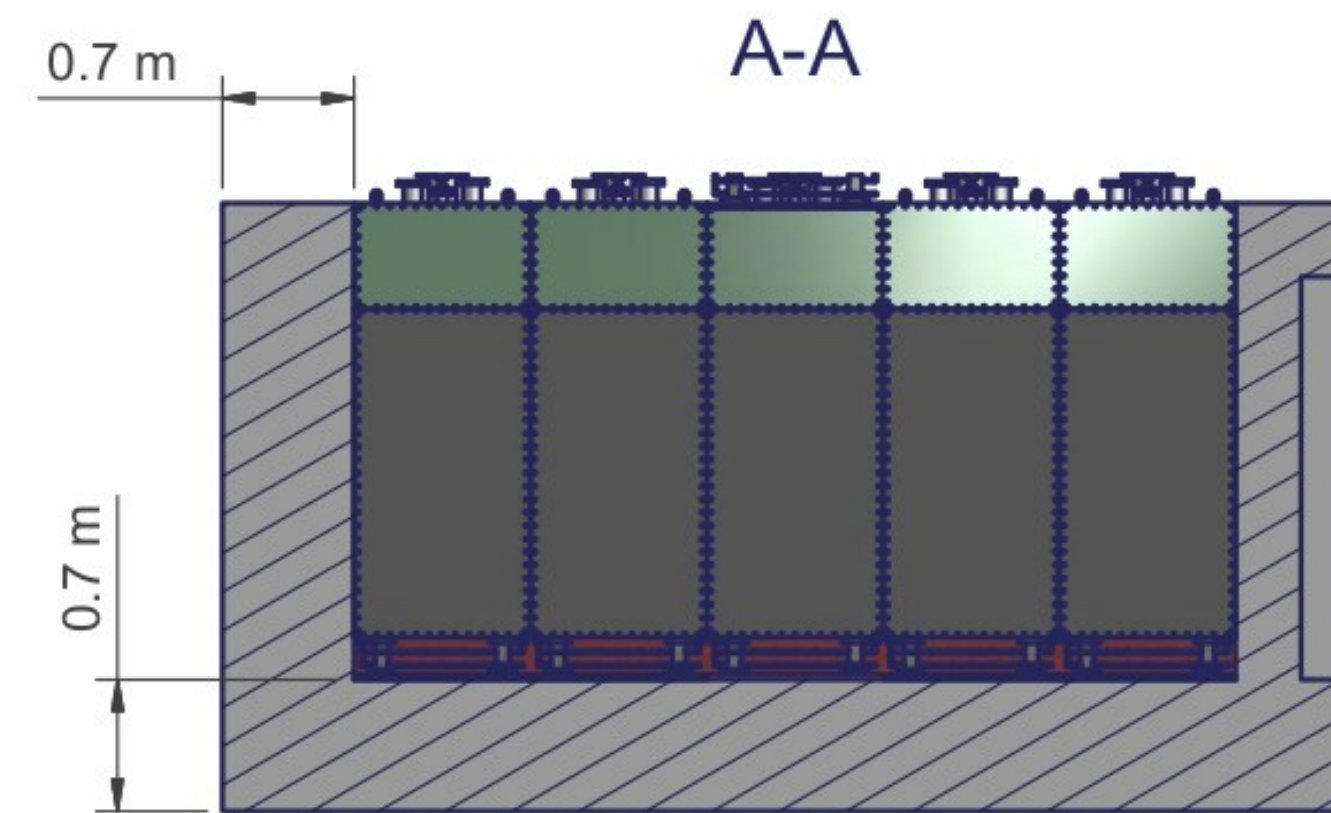
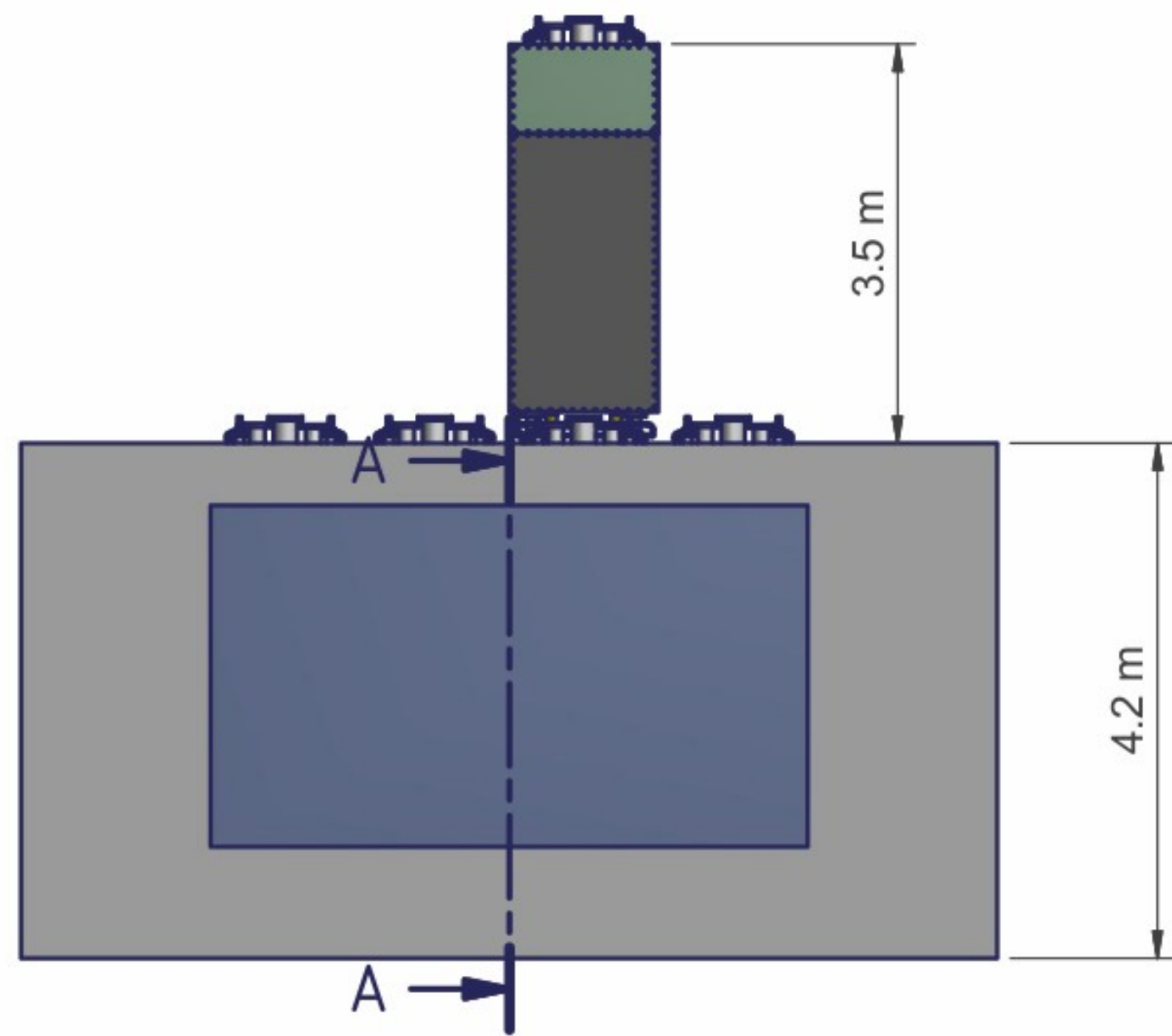


The DUNE Near Detector **See Chris Marshall's talk**



ArgonCube: high statistics ν -Ar interactions, assessment of LArTPC response.

High-Pressure GArTPC and a scintillator tracker: precision characterization of ν -nucleus interactions, complementary signal vs. BG discrimination.



The 4x5 geometry optimised for the DUNE ND.

N.B. moving to 7x5 to mitigate side muon tracker

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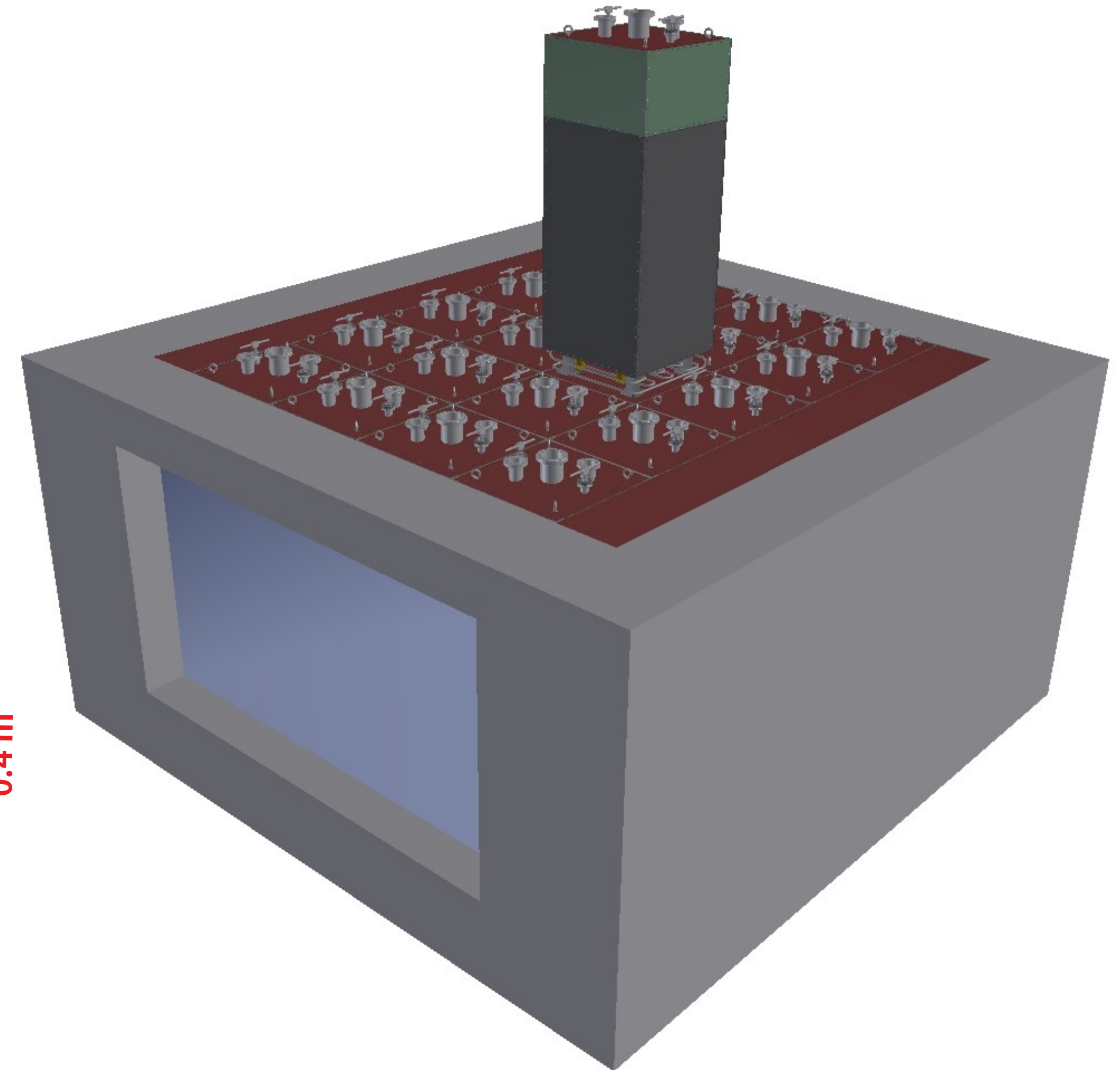
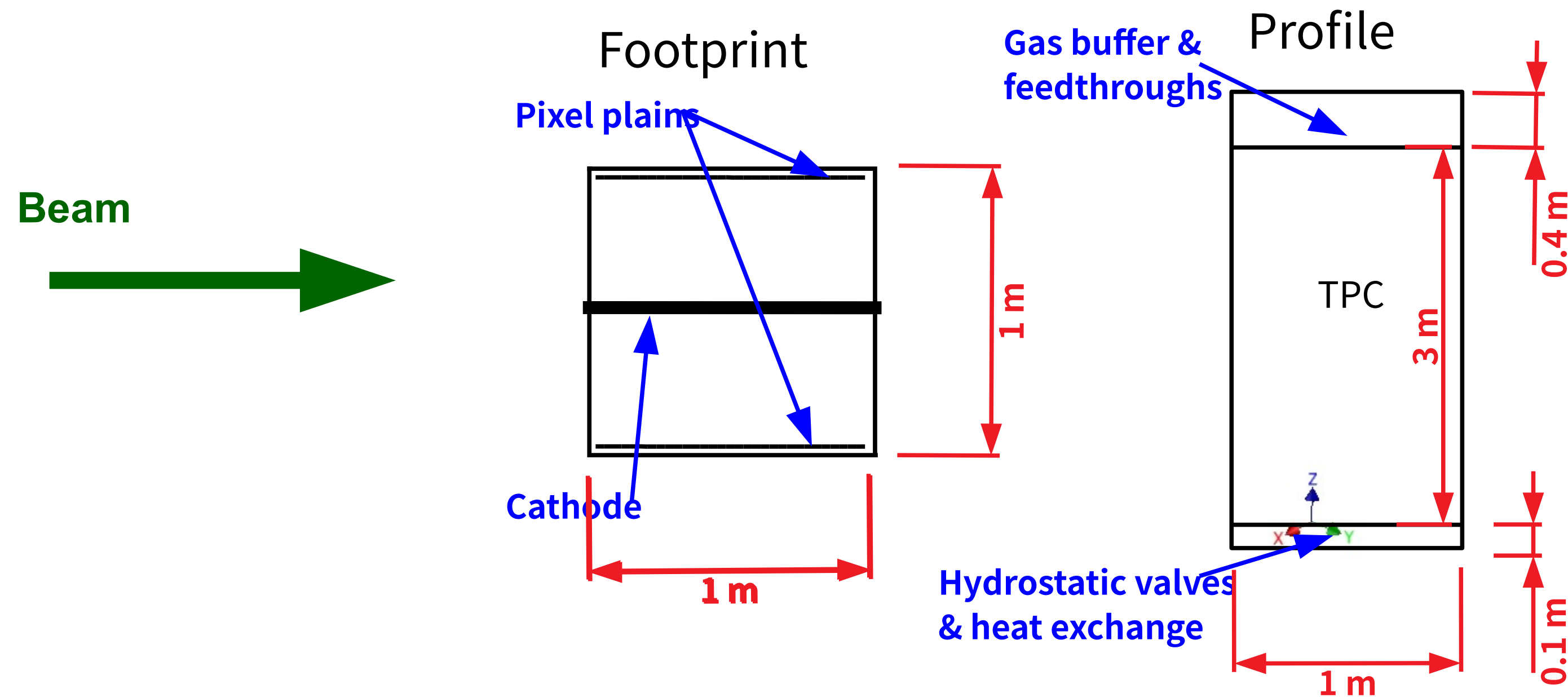
ArgonCube in the ND

Active volume: $\sim 5 \text{ m} \times 7 \text{ m} \times 3 \text{ m} \sim 147 \text{ t}$

Each module: $1 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} \times 3.5 \text{ m}$ (50 cm drift, 50 kV)

Total detector dimensions optimised for containment.

Module dimensions set to minimise effects of Rayleigh scattering and diffusion.

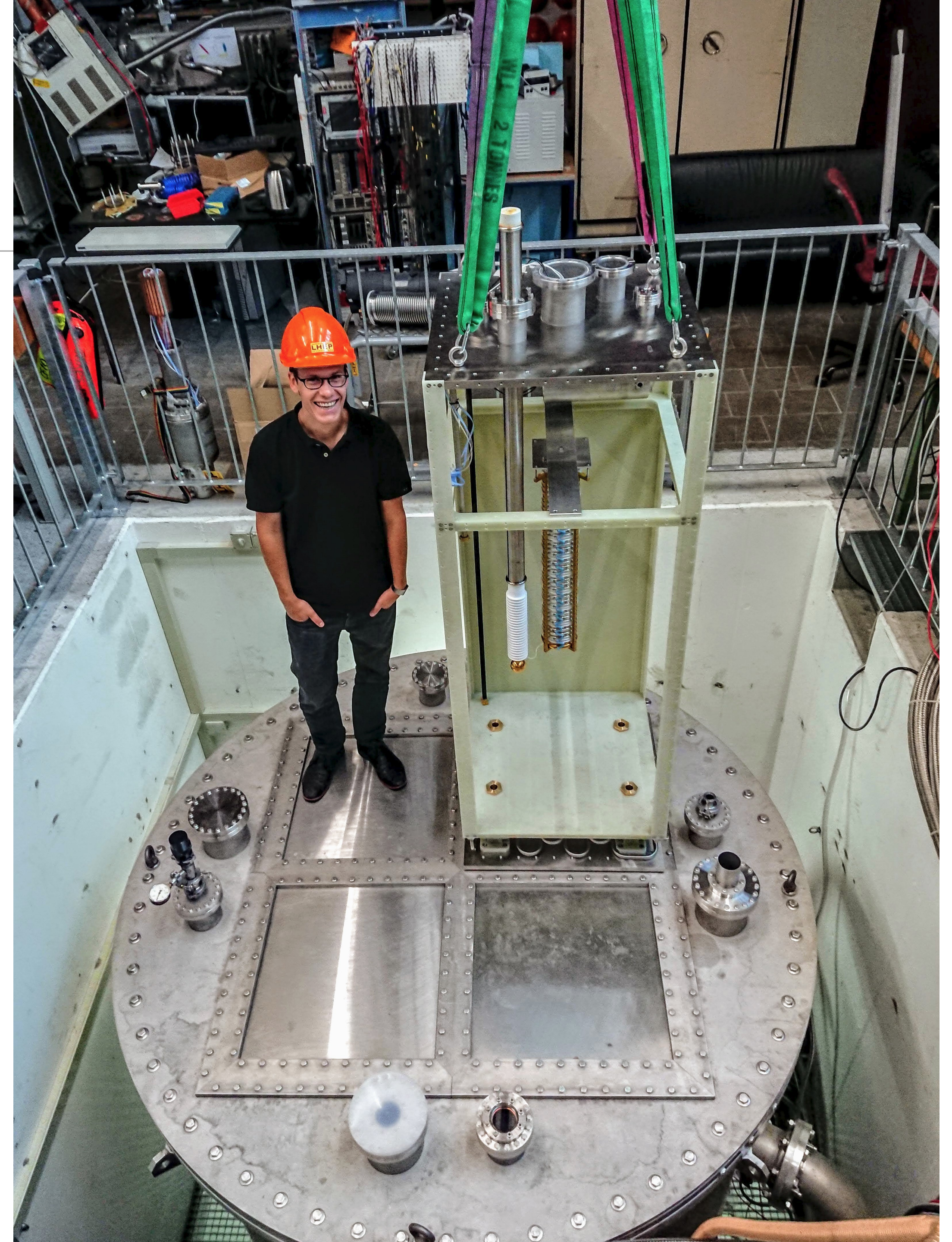


Summary

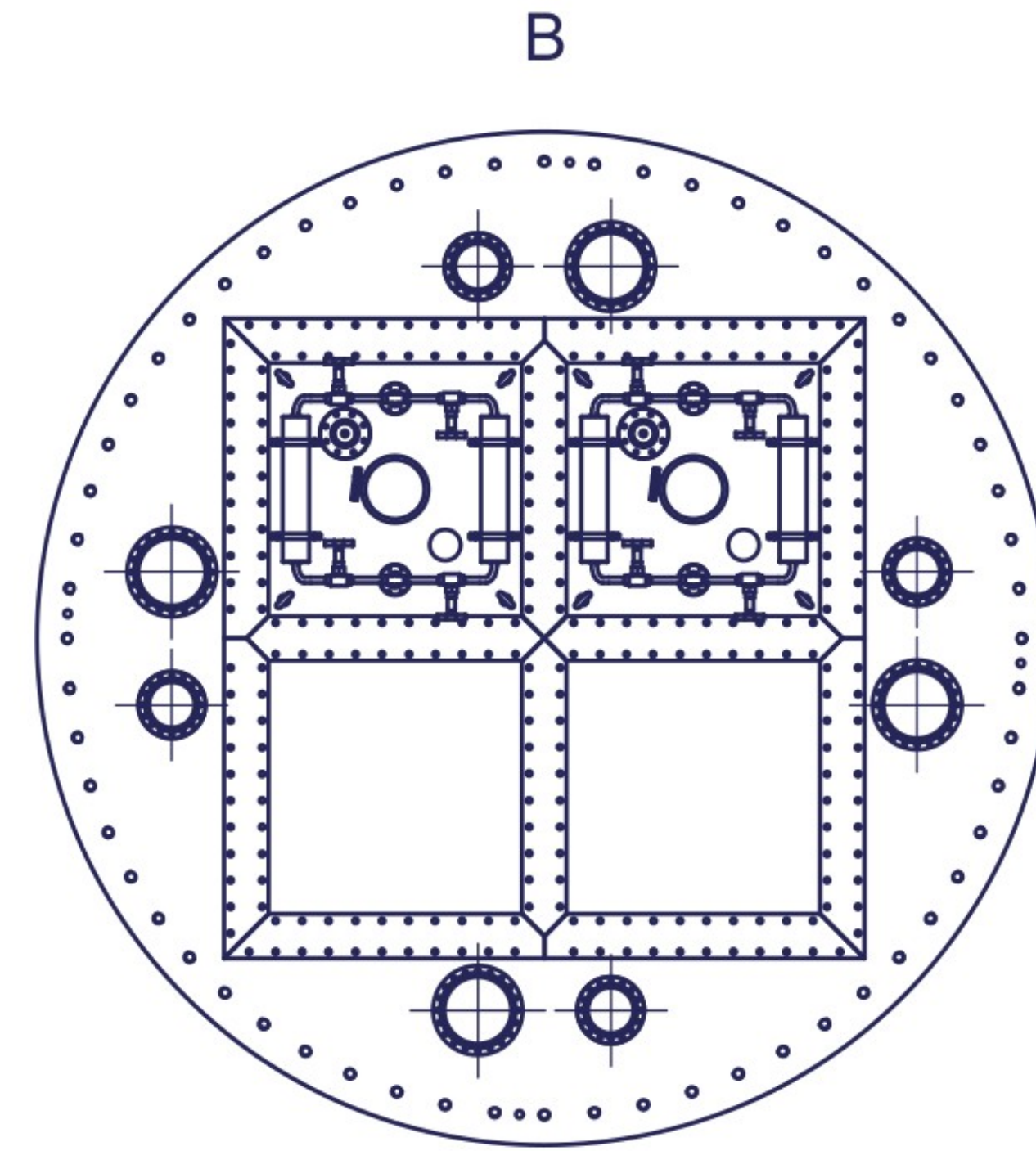
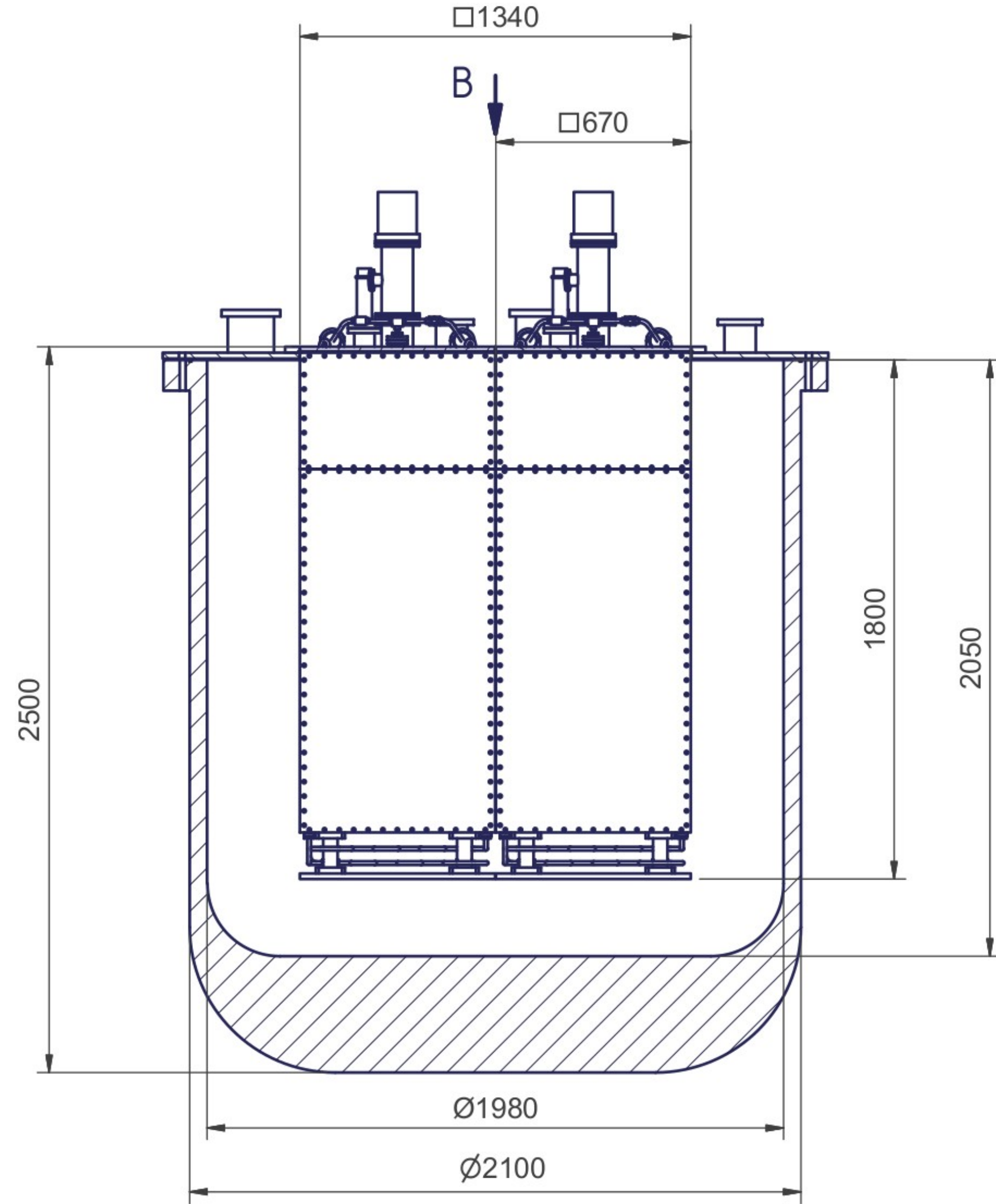
ArgonCube represent a novel and robust solution to many issues faced by traditional LArTPCs. Its design will allow it operate in high multiplicity environments, such as the DUNE ND.

All technologies (light R/O, charge R/O, field-shaping) have been shown to be feasible on the small scale. The next step is to populate an ArgonCube module, as part of the 2x2 Demonstrator.

The 2x2 Demonstrator will form part of ProtoDUNE-ND in the NuMI beam at Fermilab.



Backup



Vacuum insulated & LN2 cooled cryostat
 8.6 t total LAr
 1.7 t active mass

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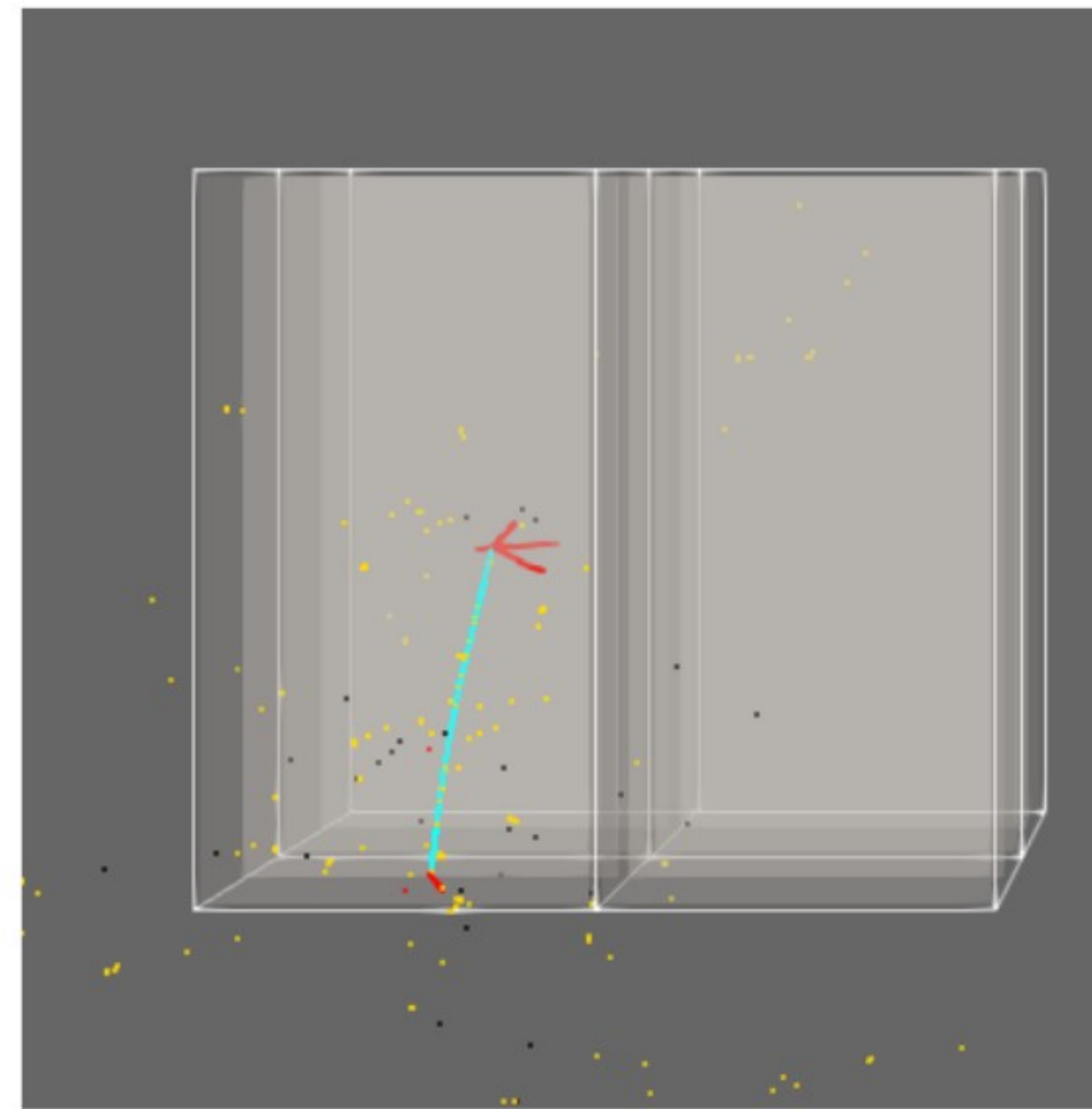
Backup - 2x2 to FNAL

Example $\nu \mu$ –argon ArgonBox simulated events for a number for different incident neutrino Energies.

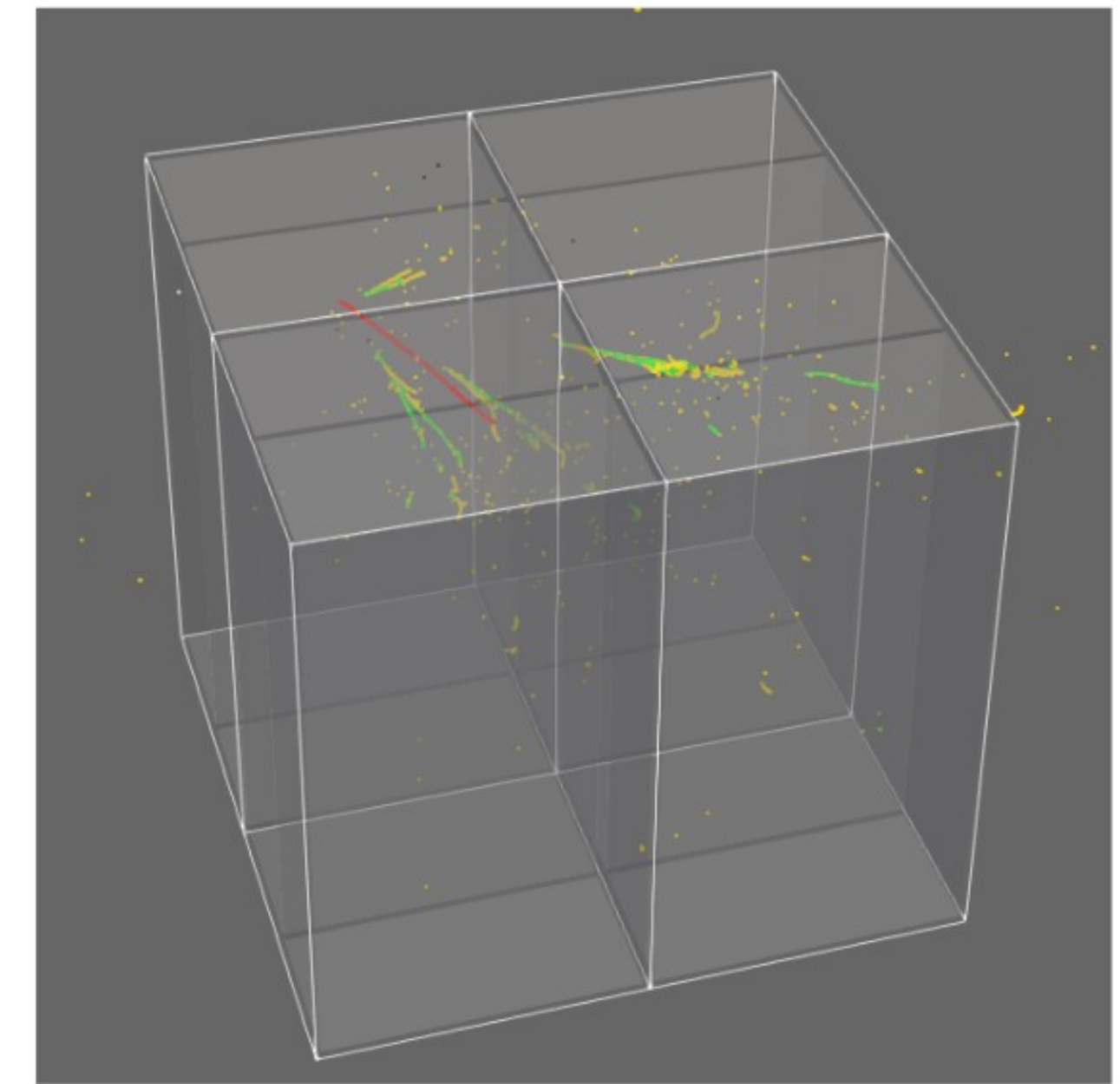
$\pi \pm$ blue; $\mu \pm$ purple; e^+ green; e^- yellow; p red; N black.

Event vertices randomly placed within the 1.7 t active volume of the 2x2.

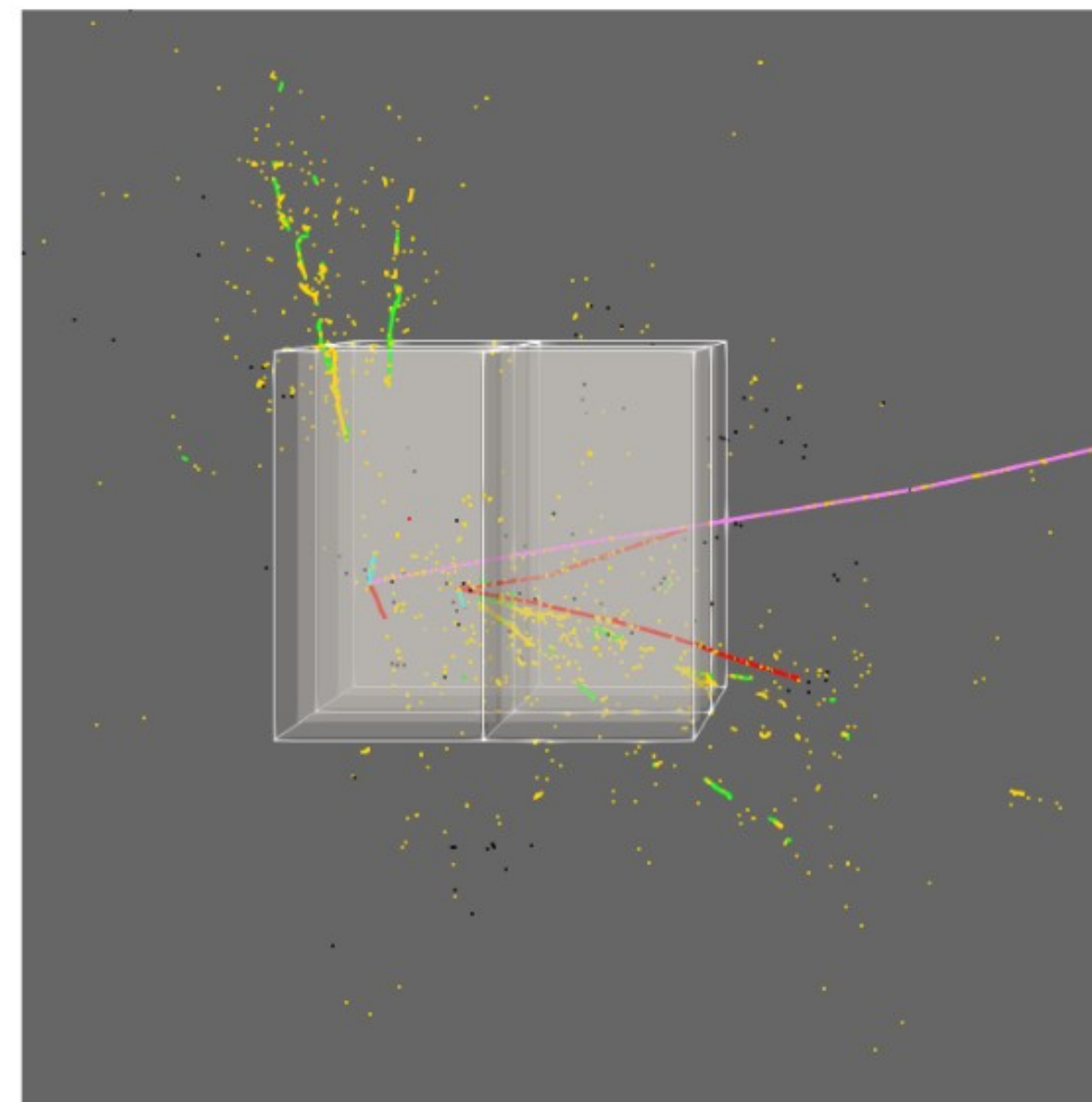
Geometry is superimposed, but not simulated by ArgonBox



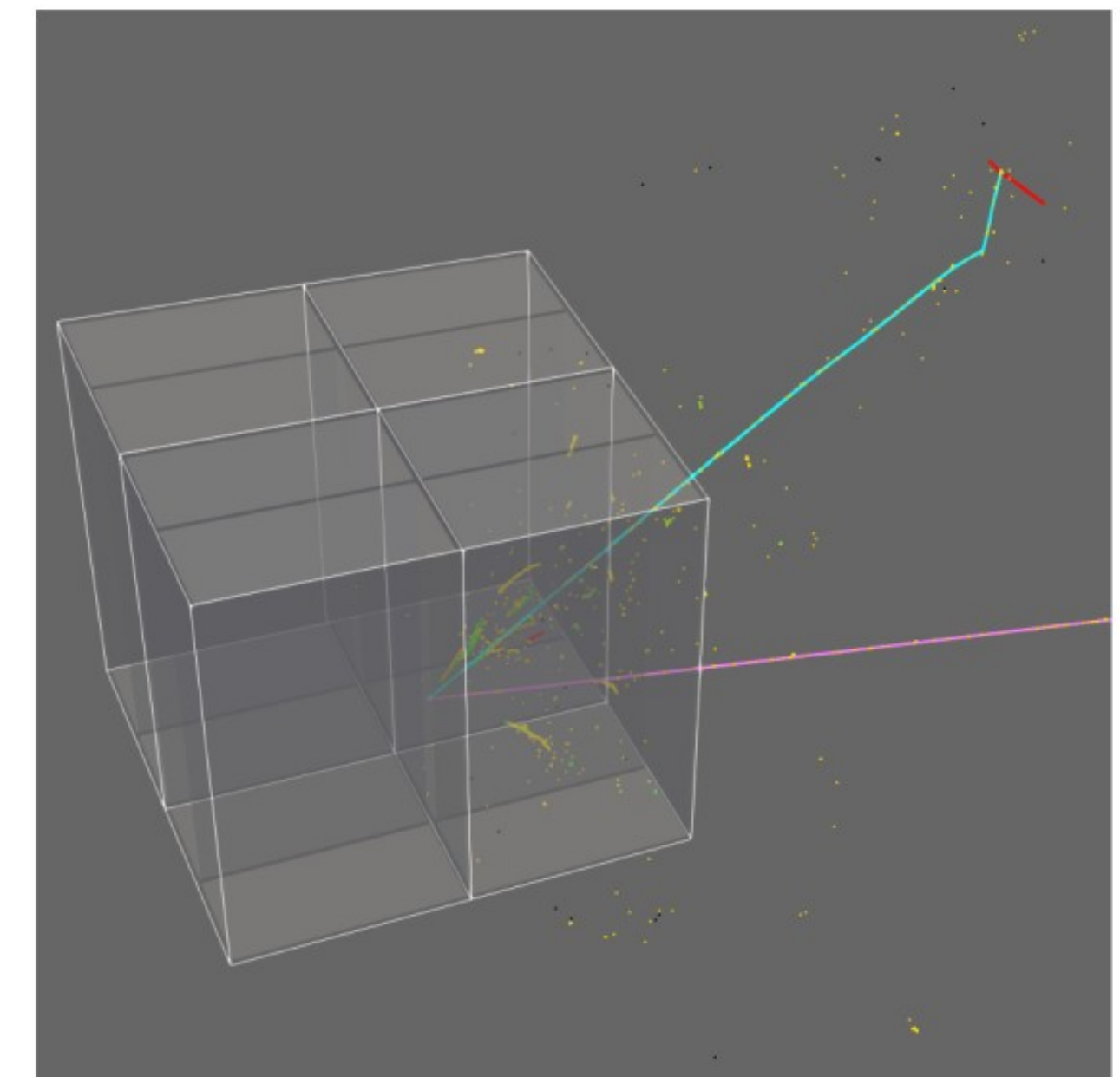
(a) $E_\nu = 2.60$ GeV



(b) $E_\nu = 3.36$ GeV



(c) $E_\nu = 4.83$ GeV



(d) $E_\nu = 9.37$ GeV

Backup - 2x2 to FNAL

Expected yearly rates of various particles produced at the vertex, as a function of momentum.

2x2, 1.7 t LAr volume for NuMI ME and LBNF.

GENIE v2.12.8 with “ValenciaQE Berger Sehgal COHRES” configuration.

Every relevant particle from each event is included.

