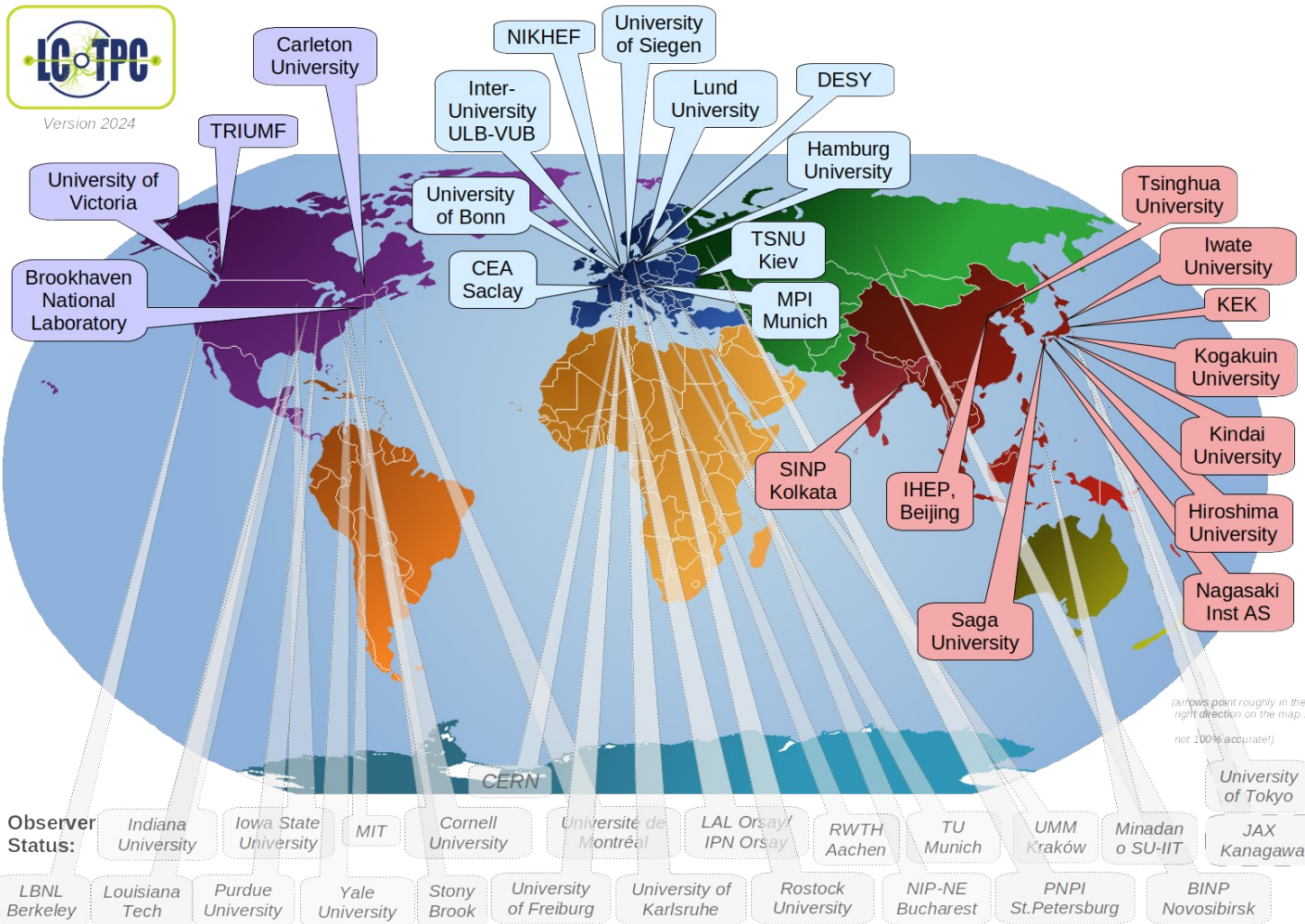




Summary of the LCTPC collaboration meeting

DESY, 12.-13.3.2024

Situation



Basically no funding – except for CEPC.

Some studies for CEPC and FCC-ee are being done.

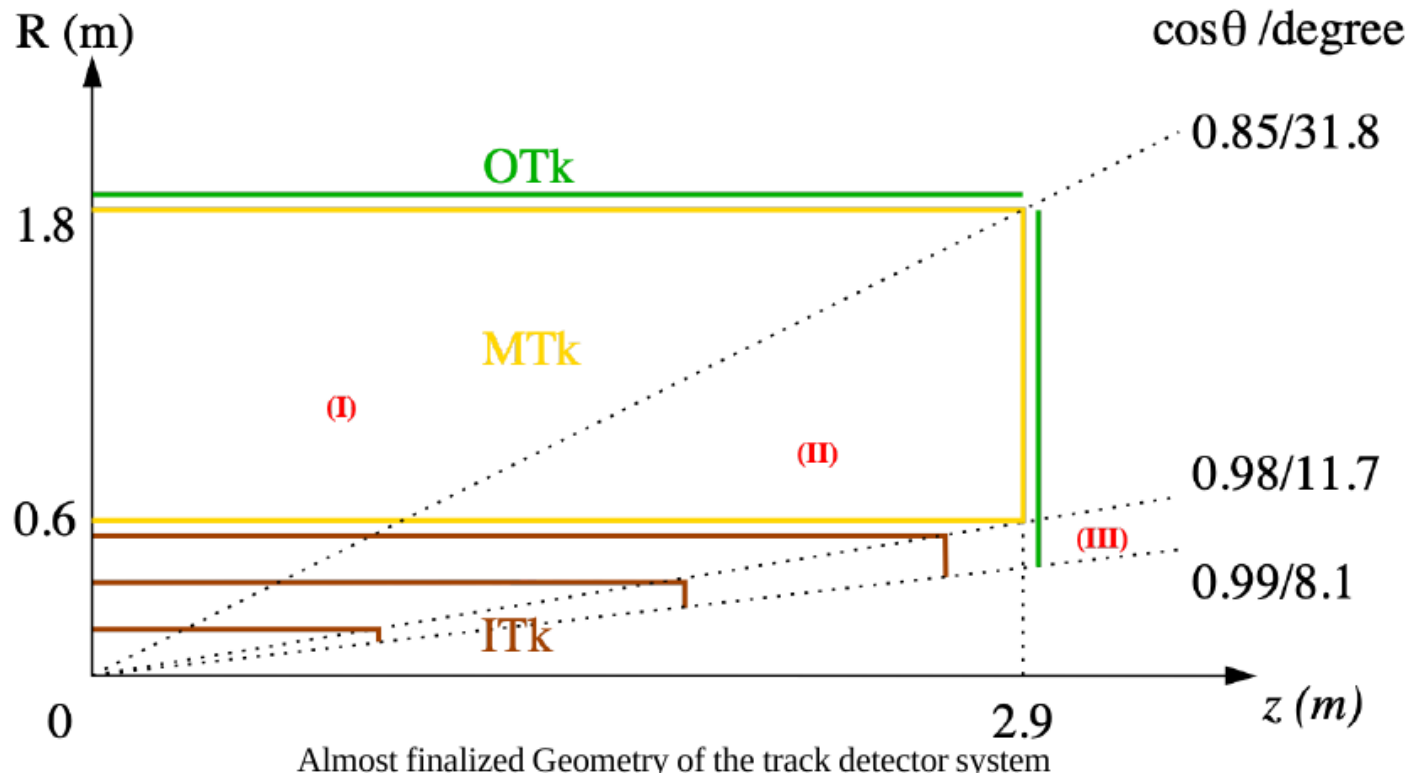
Some interest of other experiments in our work – most notably by EIC, where a TPC for PID is considered for the second detector.

Synergies with T2K, etc.

Studies for CEPC



- High granularity readout TPC for CEPC TDR
 - TPC **SELECTED** as the baseline track detector



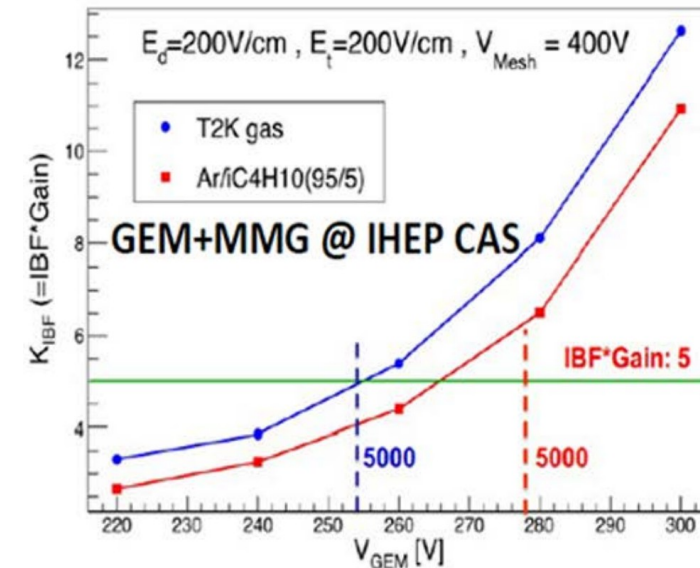
PID is very important for CEPC, in particular for Tera-Z running ($dE/dx < 4\%$).

Main R&D aspects for the CEPC TPC are

- Suppression of ion feed back
- Study of pad size
- Reduction of power consumption
- Improvement of dE/dx

Ion backflow reduction from the gas amplification stage by using multi-stage gas amplification devices (GEMs + MM).

=> $\text{gain} \times \text{IBF} < 5$



New project: Study graphene layer on GEMs / MMs as ion absorbers.

Simulation of beam backgrounds

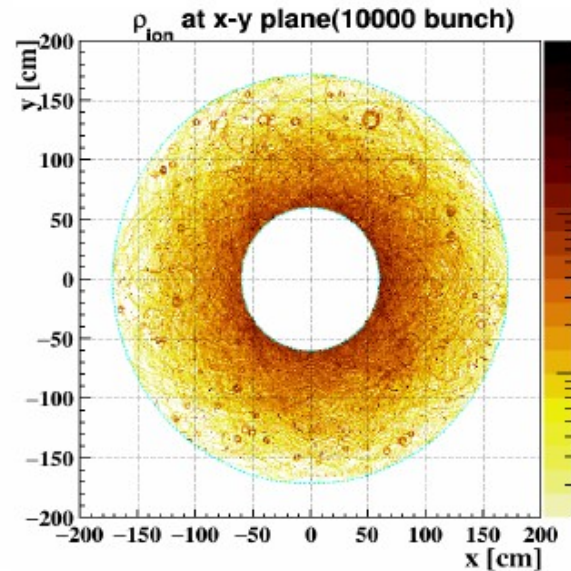
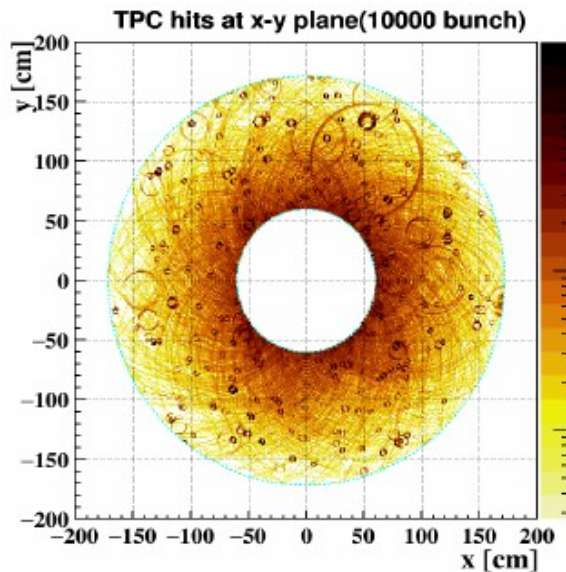
CEPC



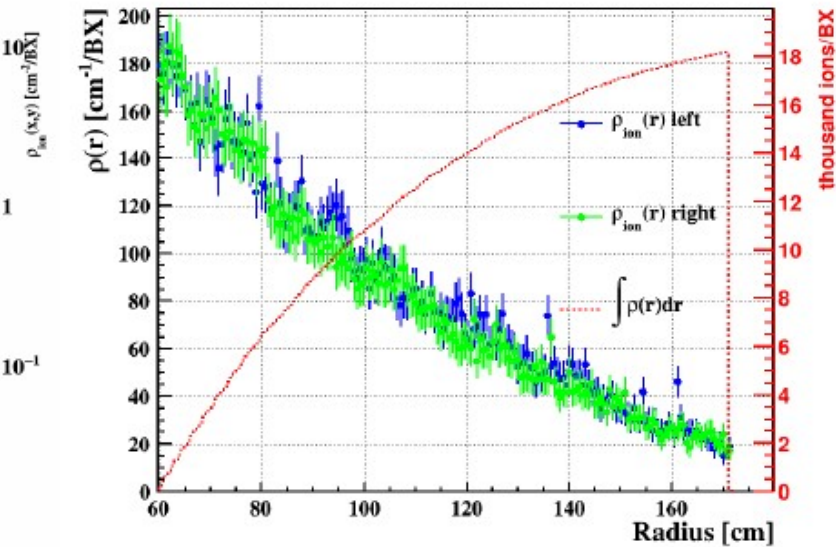
Primary ions per bunch crossing in TPC

- 10000 bunch crossing
- Edep $\sim 4.73\text{GeV}$ in total
- Number of primary ions: BX freq. $\sim 1/23\text{ns}$
 - Edep/effective ionization potential of Ar [26eV] $\sim 18.20\text{k ions/BX}$

Collider Detector Model	CEPC_v4	CEPC_v4
Beamstrahlung pairs	CEPC Z-pole(91GeV)	CEPC Higgs(240GeV)
BX freq.	1/23 ns	1/680 ns
primary ions/BX	18.20 k	39.26 k
primary ions at any time	2.07×10^{11}	1.5×10^{10}
average primary ρ_{ion} [nC/m ³]	0.63	0.05
max (single BX) [nC/m ³ /BX]	0.6×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-6}
max (steady state) [nC/m ³]	5.46	0.62



Hits map (left) & Ion density(right) at x-y plane



Tera-Z

$\rho_{ion}(r)$ distribution

Xin She

Running a Pixel TPC at Z run @ CEPC



Comparison of the background rate with Z rate.

- Beam background Ions per BX = 18.2 k primary ions/electrons per BX
- Per single pixel mean number of hits is 28.17 (pixels 55x55 μm and 60% coverage) in 30 μs . This means a single pixel TPC readout rate of 0.94 M hits/sec.
- This is high but the readout can handle that. (26% occupancy)
- Assume Z at CEPC high luminosity rate of 50 kHz (BX rate = 1/23 ns)
- With a track multiplicity of 20, 100 hits/cm and a 150 cm long track we get 300 kHits (single electrons/ions) per Z
- The hit rate from Z decays is 15 G hits per sec.
- The Z hit rate is 345 primary ions/electrons per BX.
- So the number of background hits at the CEPC is a factor 52 times higher than the Giga Z hit rate
- Obviously the pixel TPC occupancy is very low and the pad occupancy higher than 1. A readout with 500x500 μm would work for the Zs but not for the beam background

Therefore it is VERY important to design a MDI reduces the background

Daniel Jeans has indications, that the main contribution is from backscattering of the LumiCal.

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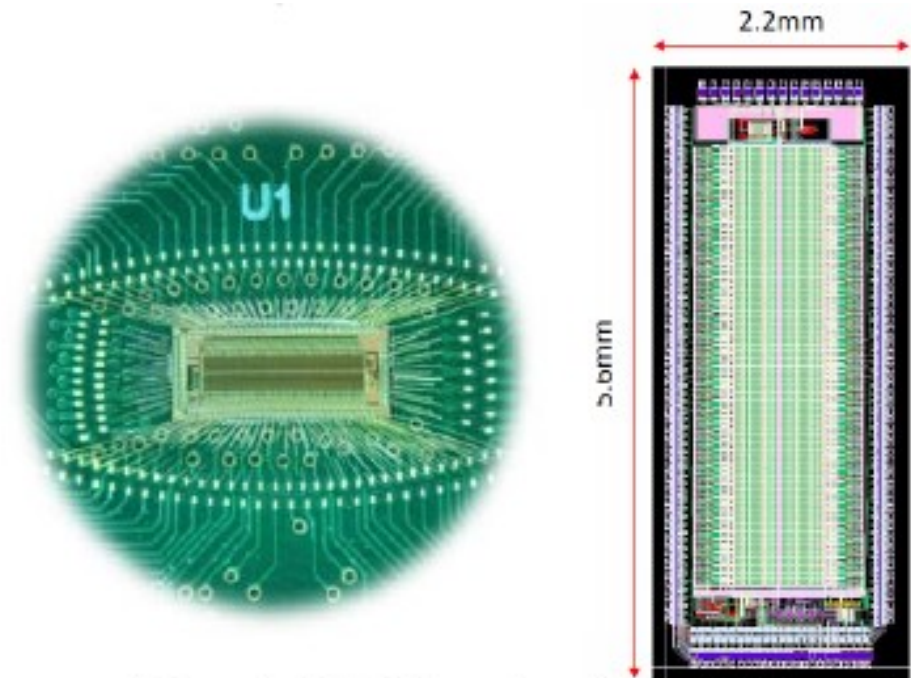
Investigating performance of

- 1x6 mm² pads
- 0.5 x 0.5 mm² pads
- 55 x 55 μm² pixels

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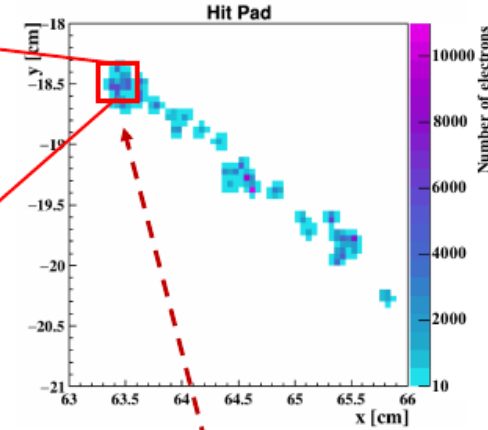
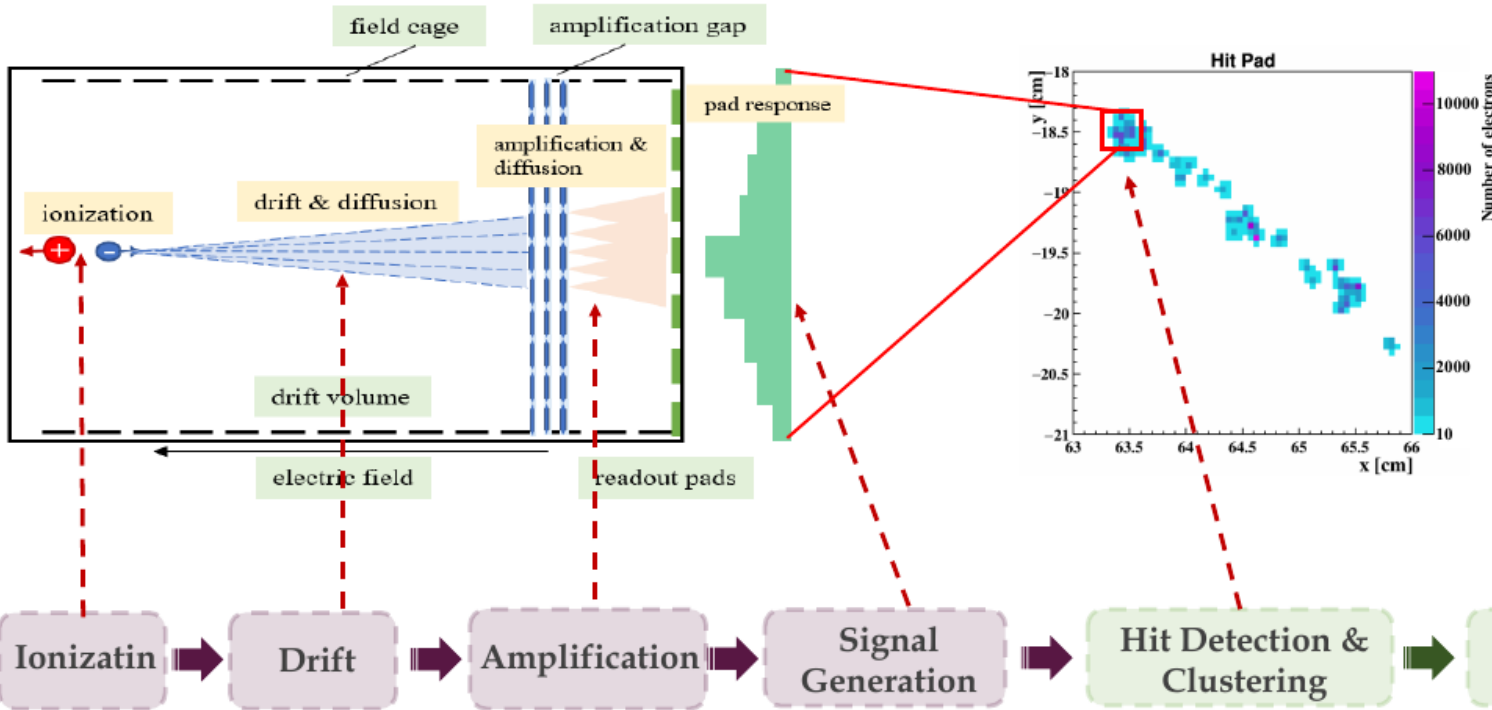
Development of a new ASIC for small pads/large pixels – IHEP + U Tsinghua:

- **R&D on Macro-Pixel TPC readout for CEPC**
 - Macro-Pixel TPC ASIC chip was started to developed and **2nd prototype wafer has done.**
 - The first version ROIC has been received and under testing.
 - The **TOA and TOT** can be selected as the initiation function in the ASIC chip.
 - 1mm × 6mm → 500μm × 500μm pixel readout
 - Time resolution: **14bit** (5ns bin)
 - Time discriminator: TOA (Time of Arrival)
 - **Power consumption: <1mW/pixel (1st prototype)**
 - ~400mW/cm²
 - ~100mW/cm² (Goal and final design)
 - Technology: 180nm CMOS -> 60nm CMOS
 - High metal coverage: 4-side bootable

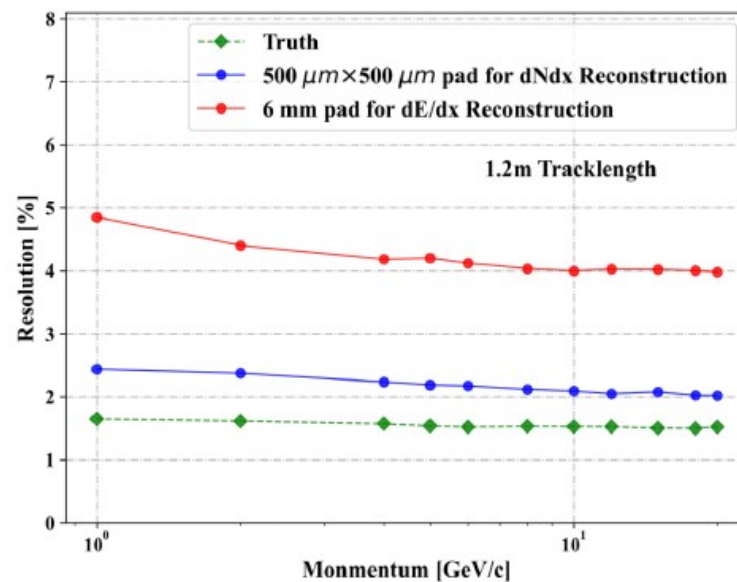
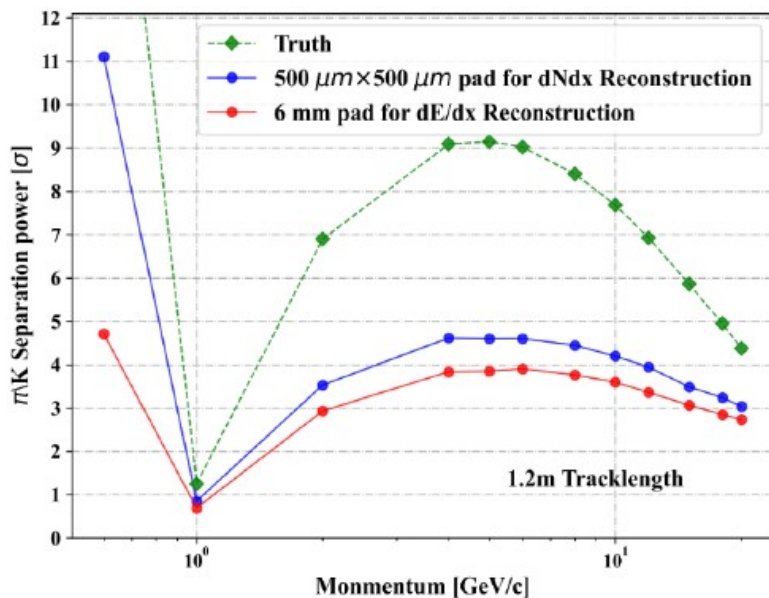


1st readout PCB board and the ASIC layout

Simulation of PixelTPC for CEPC

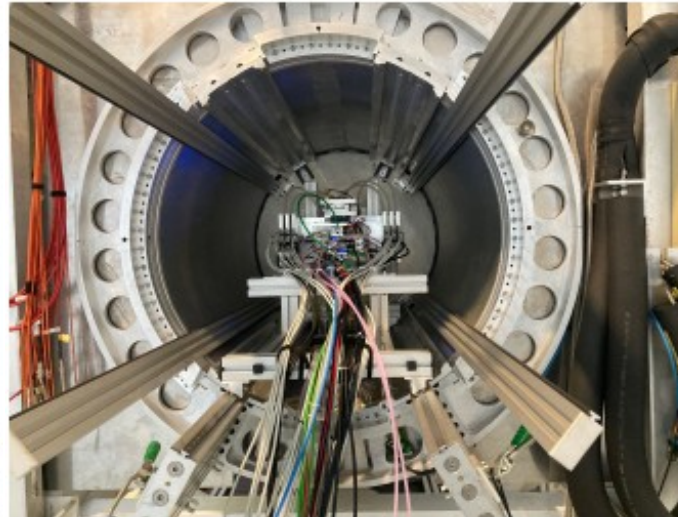
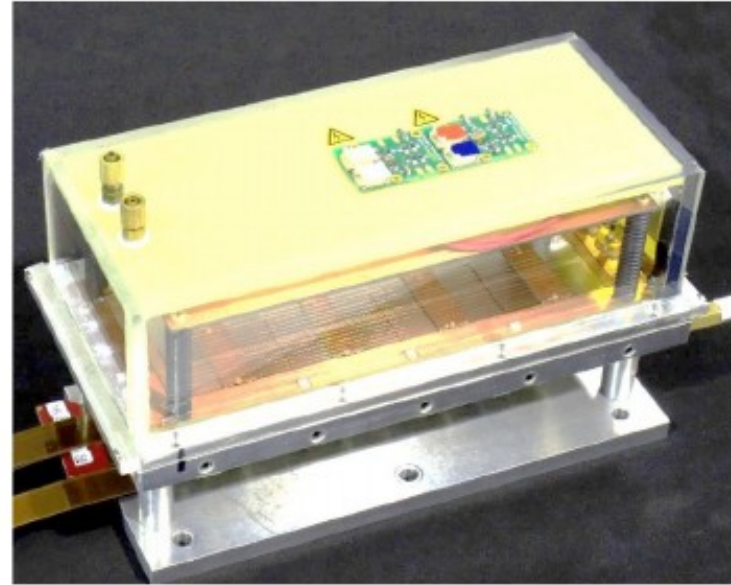
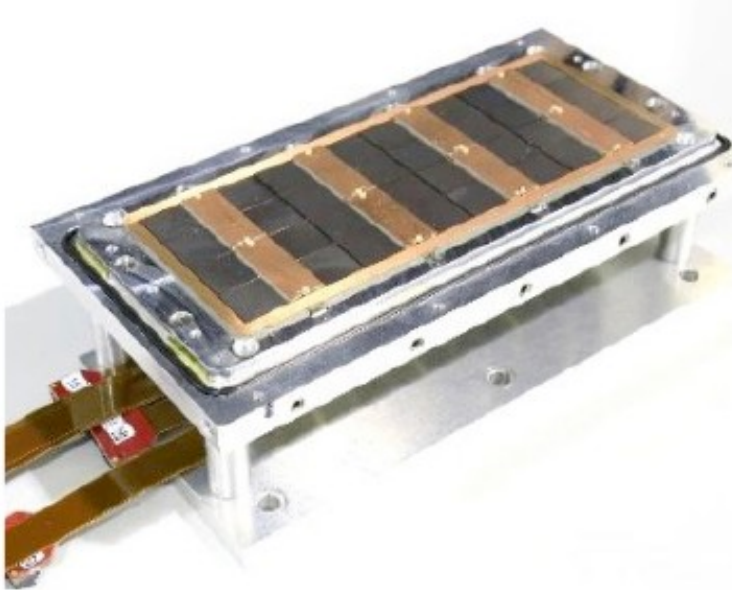


Physics Target:
K/ π separation power above 3σ at 20 GeV/c



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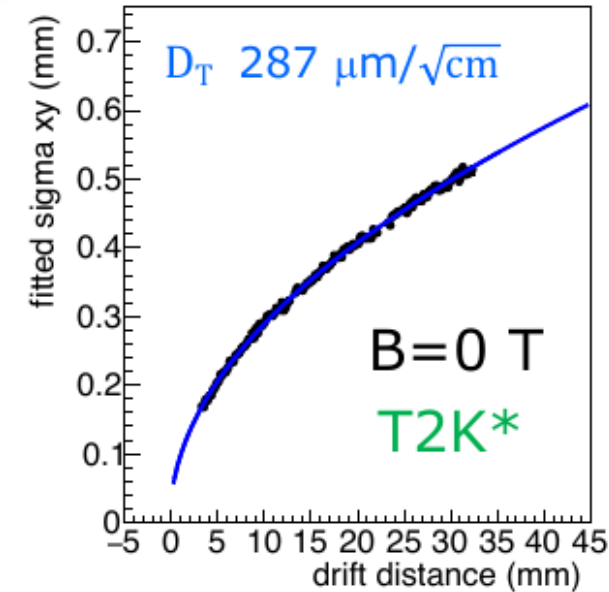
PixelTPC – Detector Studies



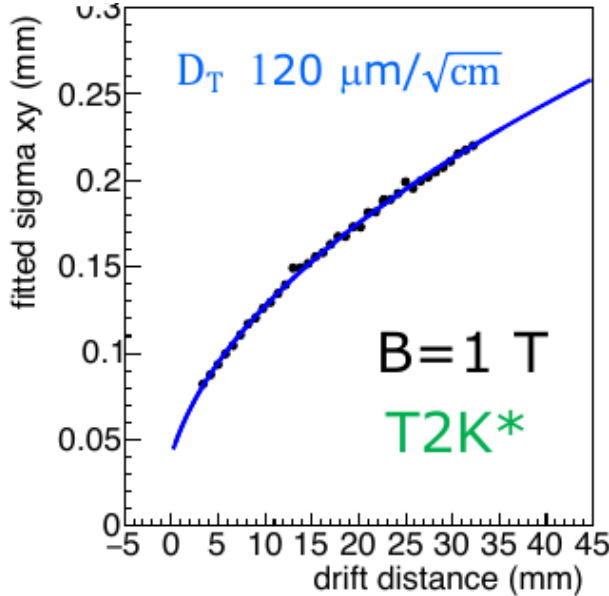
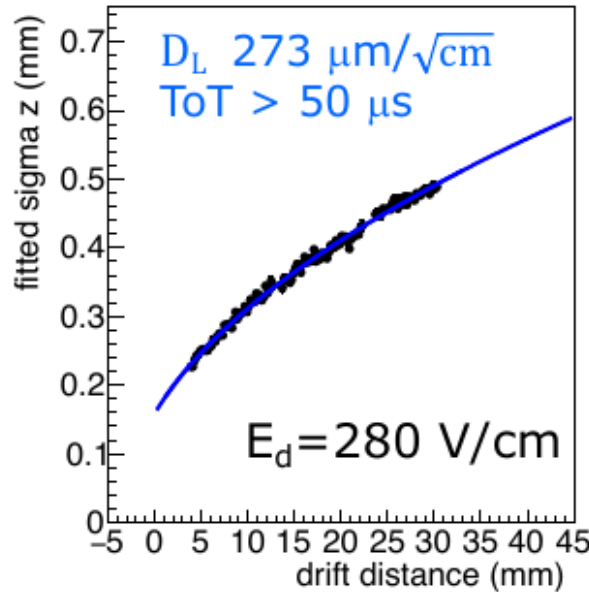
Test beam with 8x4 GridPixes
in the beam:
June 2021
→ analysis is drawing to a
close

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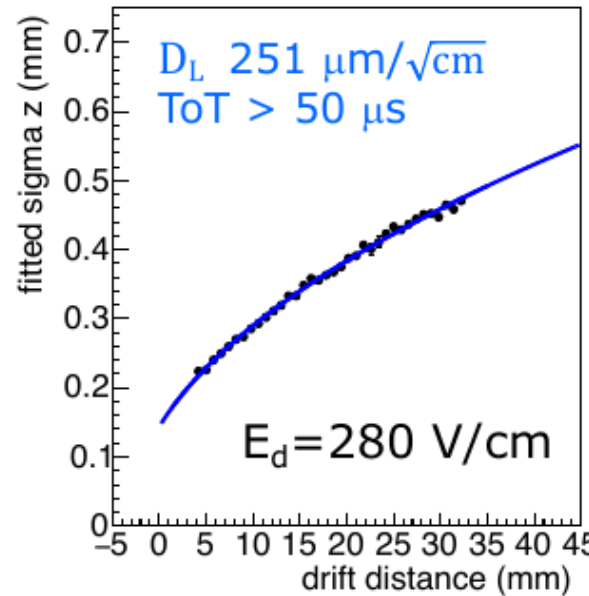
PixelTPC – Spatial Resolution



Preliminary



Preliminary



Diffusion in agreement with MAGBOLTZ simulation.

$$\sigma_{xy,z}^2 = \sigma_{xy0,z0}^2 + D_{xy,z}^2 (z - z_0)$$

$$\sigma_{xy0}^2 = \sigma_{\text{pixel}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{xy tele}}^2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{pixel}}^2 = 55^2/12 \mu\text{m}^2$$

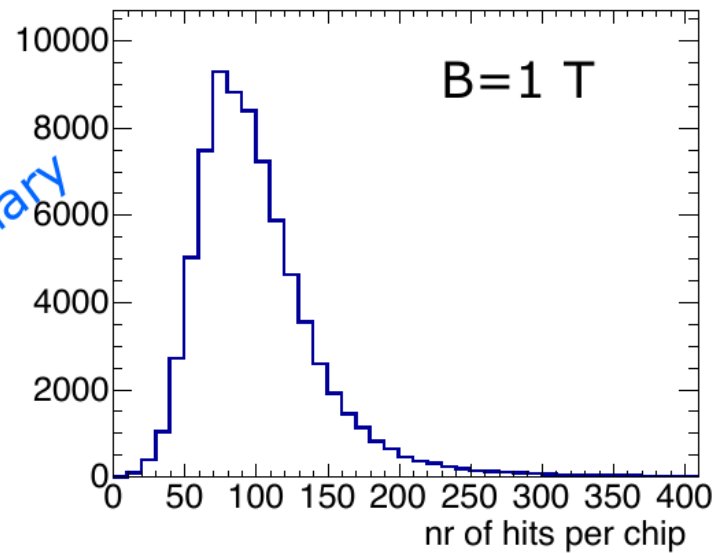
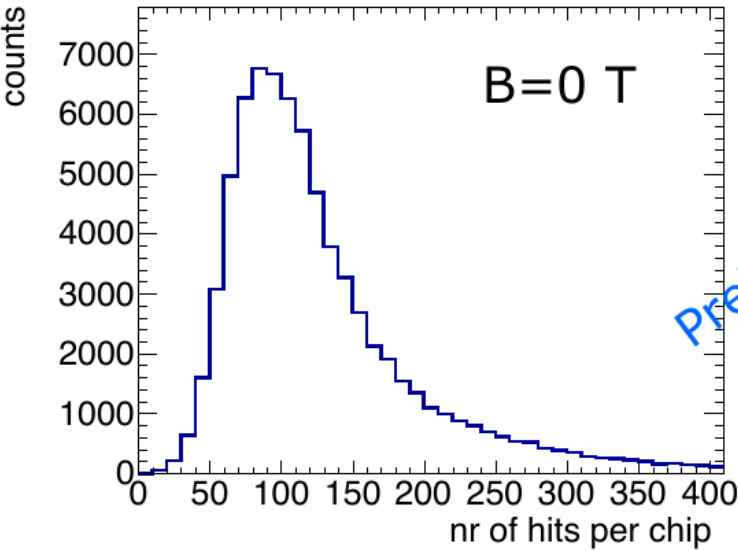
$$\sigma_{\text{xy tele}} = 42 \mu\text{m}$$

Mean residuals are very homogenous (distortions only in corners and around 1 disconnected grid).

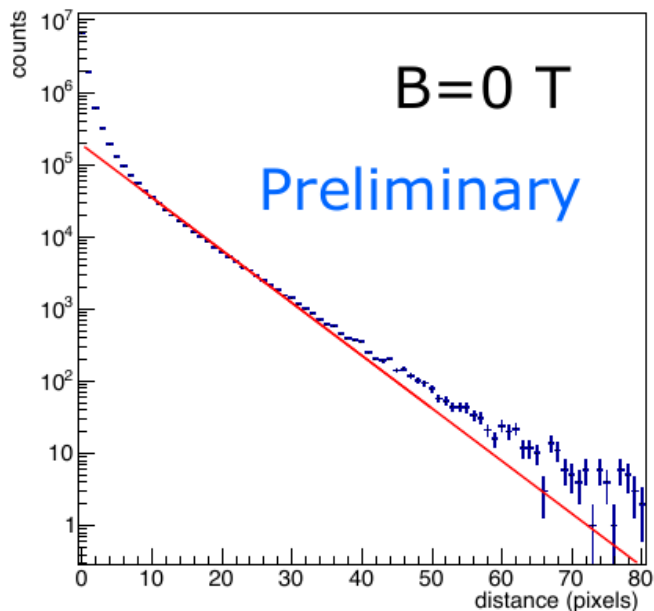
Distribution of mean residuals sigma= 11-20 micrometers

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PixelTPC - PID



Hit counting
 → improved performance
 → no Polya of gas amplification

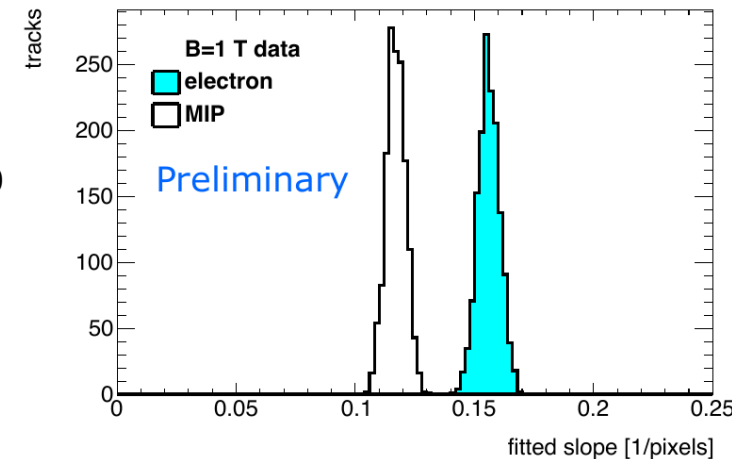


Determine distance between hits

Fit slope of distribution after reweighting.

Scaling 5/6 Gev electrons to mips.

Event summation
 → 1m tracks



Extrapolation to ILD parameters



The dEdx resolution for electrons from data by combining tracks to form a 1 m long track with realistic coverage $\sim 60\%$ coverage.

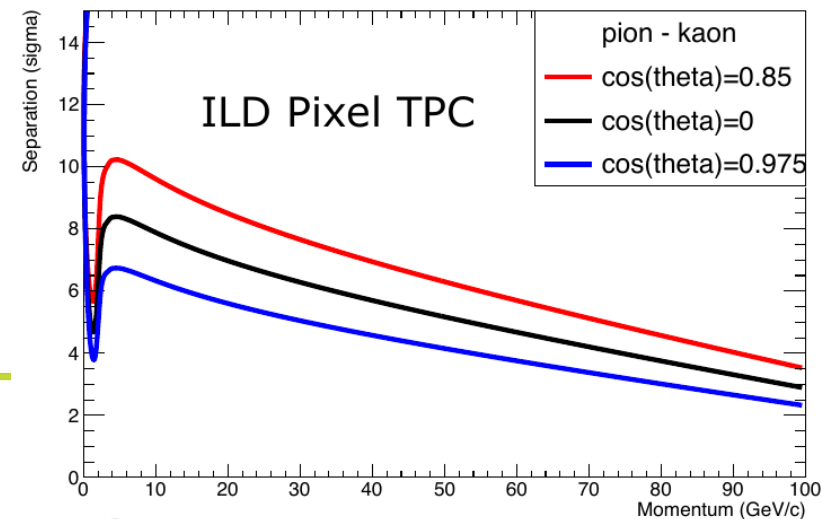
Preliminary

Method	B=0 Resolution (%)	B= 1 T Resolution (%)
(1) dEdx 90 tail	6.0	3.6
(2) Fit slope	5.4	2.9

The "dEdx 90 tail" method is truncation at 90% where large clusters are identified and removed (tail reduced)
For the "Fit slope" method (2) an exponential distribution (with the slope and amplitude as free parameters) is fitted to the distribution of distance between the hits (as discussed: after applying the weights)

Extrapolating to ILD conditions (longer tracks)
dE/dx performance (methode 2) down to 2.5 % are Possible. Separation power on right side.

In case of B=2T, the performance is probably worse ($\sim 2.9\%$)





Conclusions: Pixel TPC at a circular collider

- YES: a pixel TPC can reconstruct the Z events in one readout cycle
- YES: the current **readout** of the Timepix3 chip can deal with the rate
- The current **power consumption** is $1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$. By running the TPX chips in low power mode this can be reduced by a factor of **10**. Still good **cooling** is important no show stopper; but needs extensive R&D.
- Track distortions in the TPC drift volume are a concern at high lumi Z running:
 - Track distortions from Z decays in TPC are $O(100)\ \mu\text{m}$
 - It is possible to reduce the IBF for a pixel TPC by making a device with a **double grid**
 - A double grid needs dedicated R&D that can be performed in the new lab in Bonn
- The Z physics program at FCC-ee or CEPC with an ILD-like detector with a Pixel TPC (with double grid structures) sliced between two silicon trackers (VTX-SIT and SET) can be fully exploited. The reduction of beamstrahlung needs more study.
- A pixel TPC can perfectly run at WW, ZH or tt energies where track distortions are several orders of magnitude smaller

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