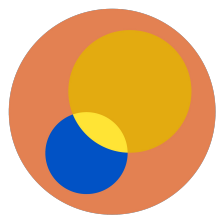

Overview of Detector Performance Studies: MAIA and MUSIC

Simone PAGAN GRISO

(with huge thanks to many people for their inputs!)

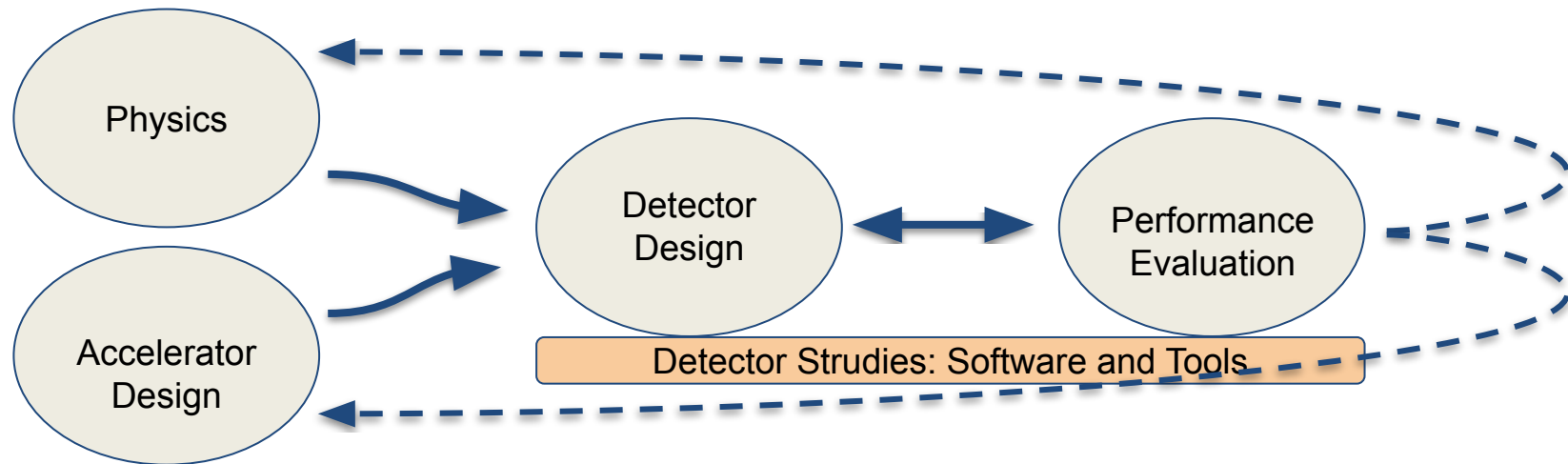
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Introduction

The detector is our *interface* between collisions and the physics we are after.

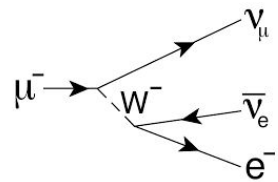


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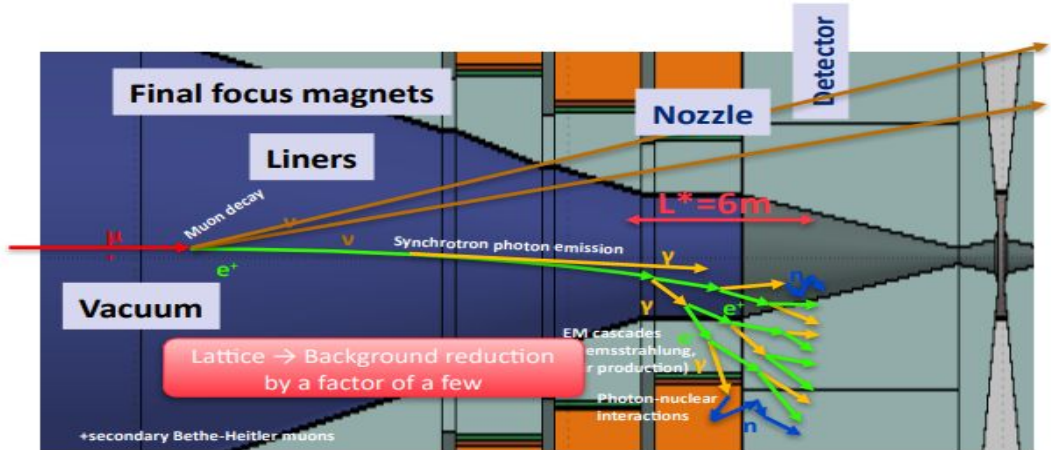
- Brief recap of Beam-Induced Backgrounds and Detector layout(s)
- Recent highlights: EU strategy input and beyond
 - looking ahead: technology choices, new ideas
 - ~~towards refined requirements and specifications~~

Beam-Induced Backgrounds (BIB)

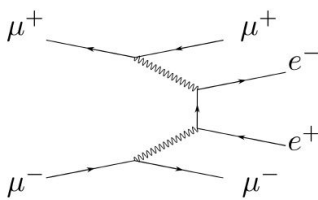
Muon beam decays



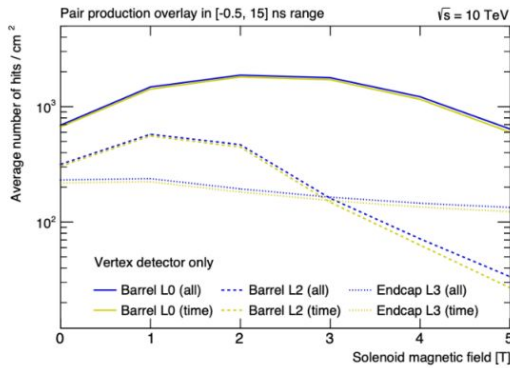
Very high-energy electrons then interact with surrounding material; relevant decays for the detector can be produced 10s of meters away.



e+e- pair production



Low-energy e⁺e⁻ pair production from beam-beam interactions; produced at the interaction point.



Detector shielding (nozzle)

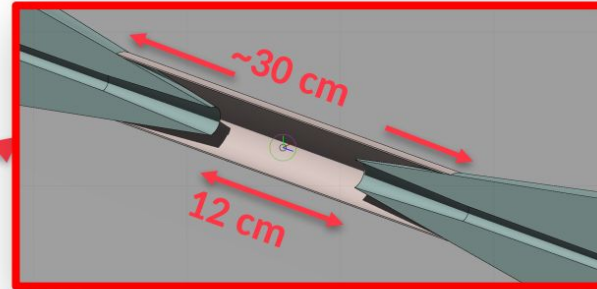
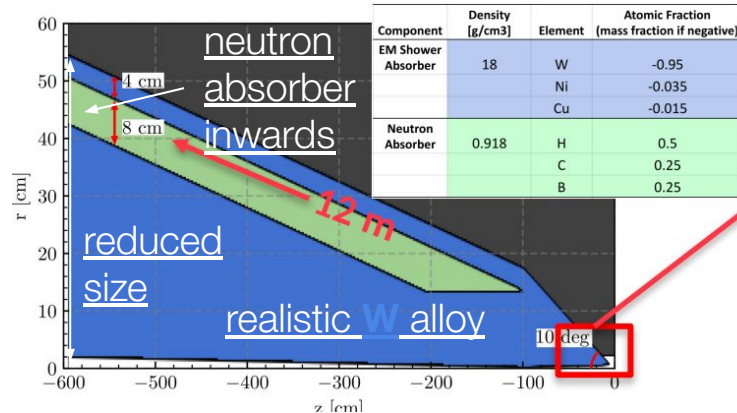
Dedicated shielding to suppress an otherwise too-large flux of high-energy e^{\pm}

Detailed simulations to study the interplay between:

- accelerator design around interaction region
- shape of shielding

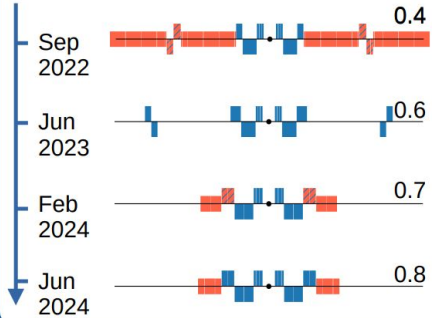
Both updated for latest design

- sim ~1 month / 0.1 bunch-crossing on a cluster



10 TeV challenges:

- Large β in FF magnets \rightarrow large aperture
- High-fields and strong chromatic effects \rightarrow local chromatic correction scheme

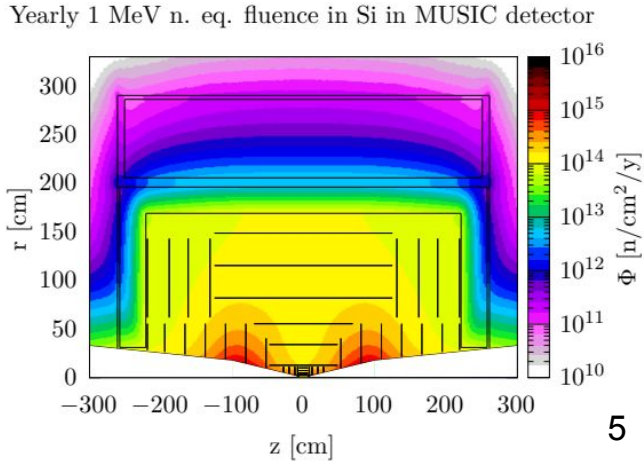
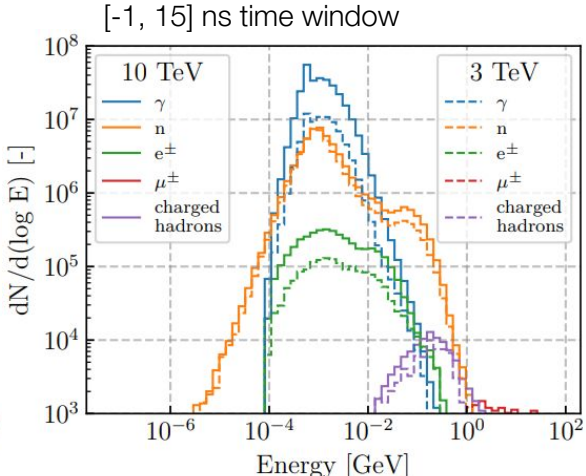
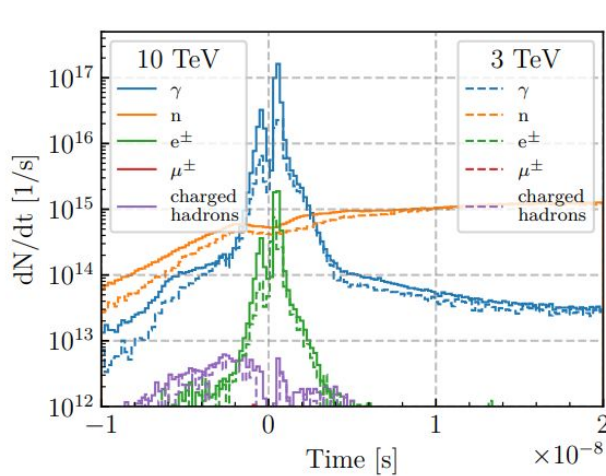


BIB characterization

Key takeaways at detector volume *entrance*:

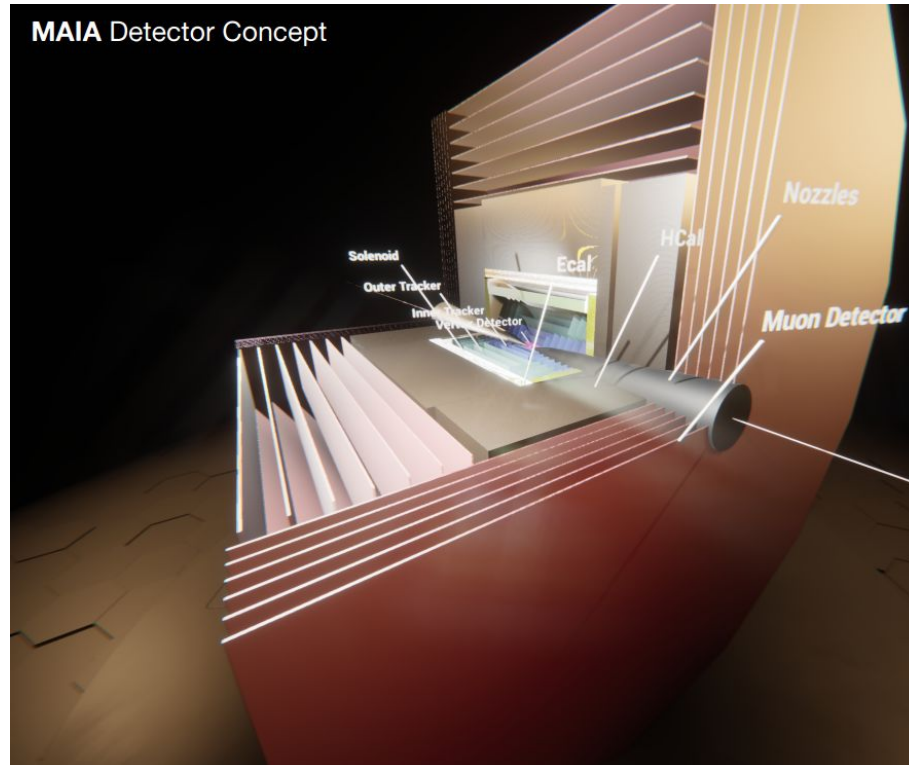
- soft photons/neutrons
- long out-of-time tail
- originate far from interaction point
- not dramatic collider energy dependence
- radiation environment < HL-LHC

Component	Dose [kGy]		1 MeV neutron-equivalent fluence (Si) [10^{14} n/cm ²]	
	MAIA	MUSIC	MAIA	MUSIC
Vertex (barrel)	1000		2.3	
Vertex (endcaps)	2000		8	
Inner trackers (barrel)	70		4.5	4
Inner trackers (endcaps)	30		11.5	10
ECAL	0.58	1.4	0.15	1



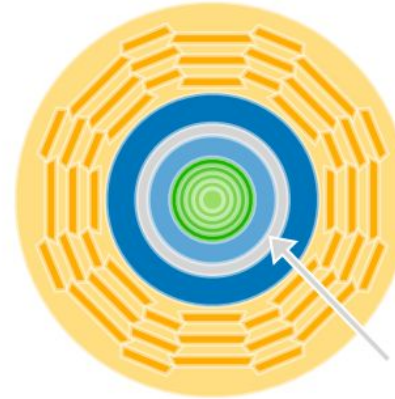
10 TeV detector concepts

Test several detector concepts in a *realistic* 10 TeV environment



10 TeV MUSIC Detector

Solenoid between *ECAL* and *HCal*



[EU Strategy Input](#)

10 TeV MAIA Detector

Solenoid inside *Calorimeters*

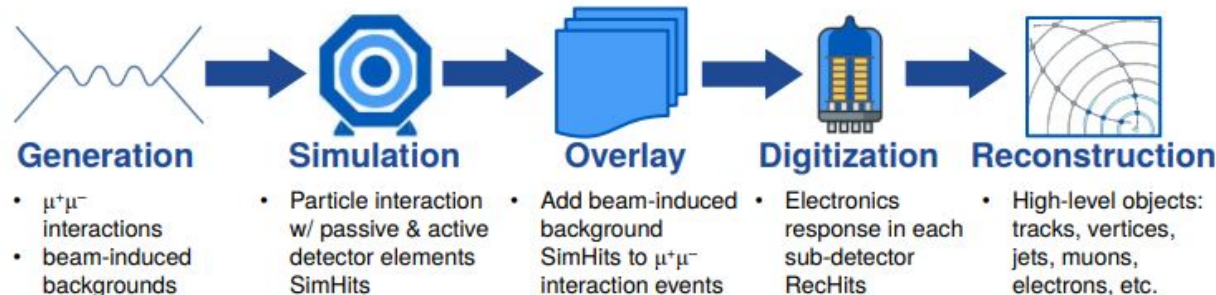


[arXiv:2502.00181](#)

- Solenoid strength / position / description
- Tracker layout
- EM Calorimeter technology

Software tools for detector simulation

Dedicate repository, infrastructure developed and maintained by a few key people



Taskforce to assess short, medium and long-term evolution and priorities ([report](#))

- Integration with the key4hep framework
 - used by many future collider projects)
- Software development best practices and organization
- Software distribution
- Fast simulation development
- Documentation and Tutorials

Taskforce members



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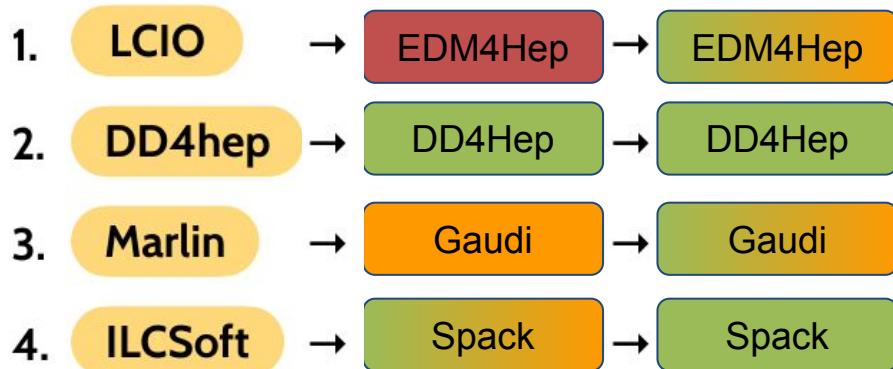


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Software updates: highlights

Moving from ilc-soft to key4hep

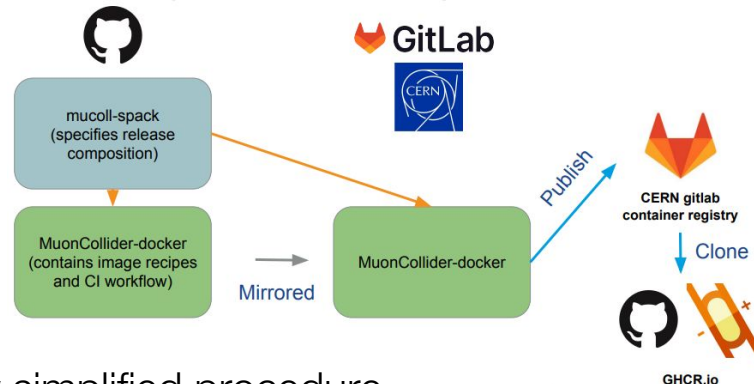
- first step done and in tutorial
- now moving towards full migration



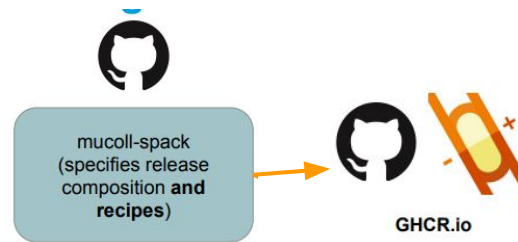
Needs:

- migration of remaining algorithms
- validation (and its automation)
- update tutorial
- new experts

Automatic release building from github CI



New simplified procedure



3 workflows

- Build-spack
- Build-minimal
- Build-sim

Automatic build of release and containers

Tracking Detectors

Exploring all-silicon tracker layouts.

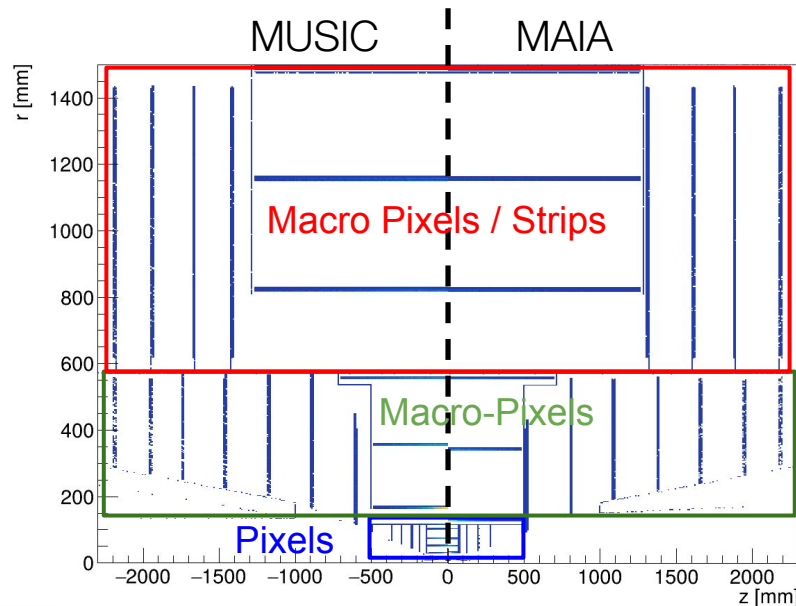
One of the most sensitive detectors to BIB

- BIB manifests as cloud of hits from many low-energy particles.

Layout optimization: slight differences

- inner detectors barrel length / position
- endcap positions optimization

4(/5)D Tracking is a requirement!



Sub-Detector MAIA/MUSIC Units	Technology	# Layers /Rings	"Cell" Size μm^2	Sensor Thickness μm	Hit Time Resolution ps	Signal Time Window ns
Vertex Barrel	Pixels	4*/5	25 x 25	50	30	[-0.18, 15.0]
Vertex Endcap	Pixels	4	25 x 25	50	30	[-0.18, 15.0]
Inner Barrel	Macro-Pixels	3	50 x 1000	100	60	[-0.36, 15.0]
Inner Endcap	Macro-Pixels	7	50 x 1000	100	60	[-0.36, 15.0]
Outer Barrel	Macro-Pixels	3	50 x 10000	100	60	[-0.36, 15.0]
Outer Endcap	Macro-Pixels	4	50 x 10000	100	60	[-0.36, 15.0]

Key handles for BIB discrimination:

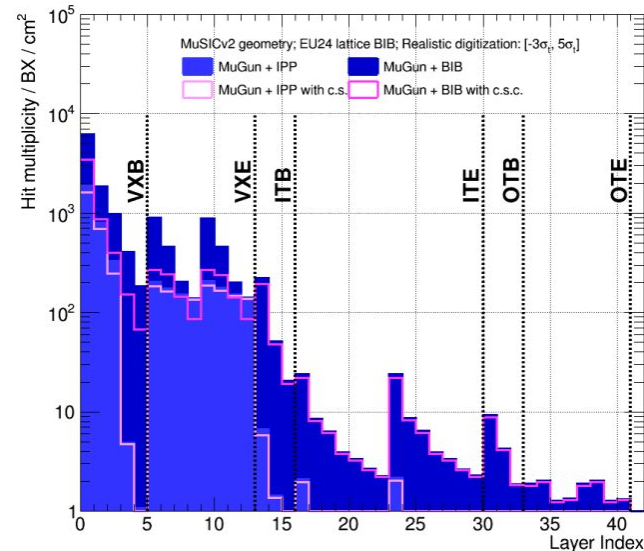
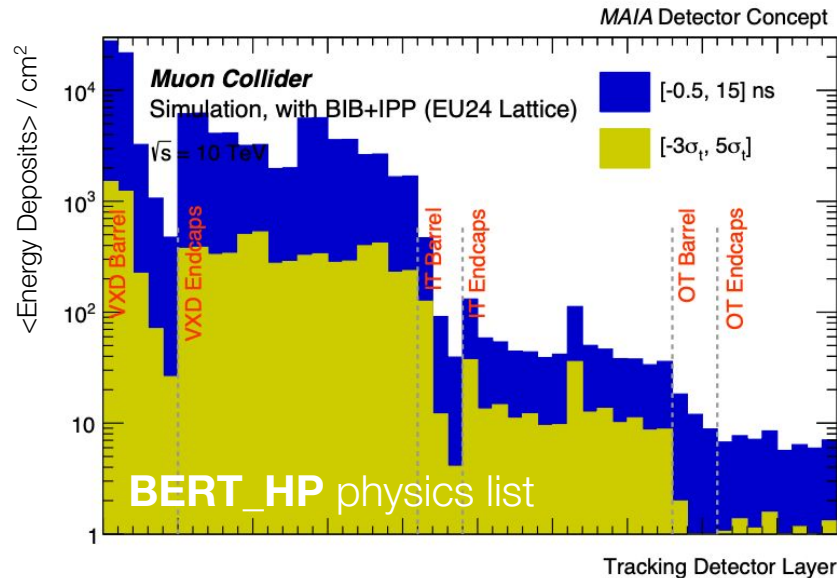
- Precision timing
- Directional information
 - cluster shape, close-by layers
- Energy deposition

Tracking Detector: low-level performance

Improving our understanding of BIB interaction with tracker

- more realistic digitization: sensor and front-end electronics evaluation
- physics list (e.g. low-energy neutron interactions)

Critical ingredients for a sound program of technology R&D and choice!



Tracking Detector: reconstruction algorithms

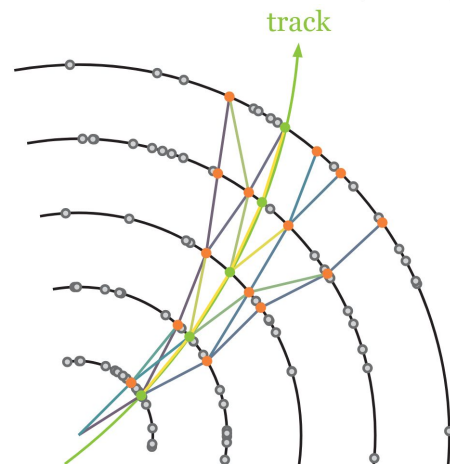
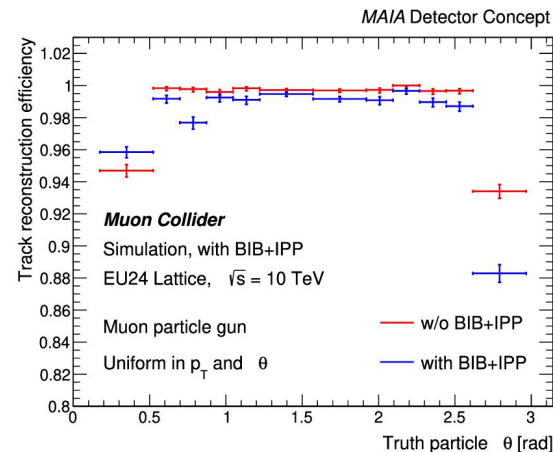
Tracking performance under control,

- balance between CPU time and performance
- focused on \sim prompt particles and rough selections to remove hit combinatorics

Explored/-ing

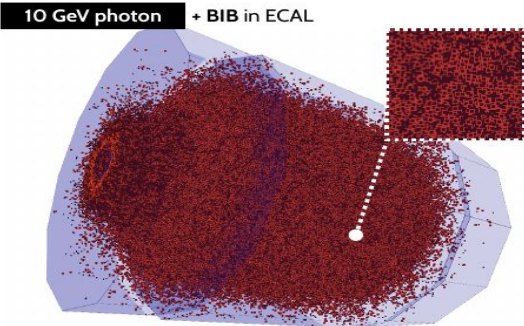
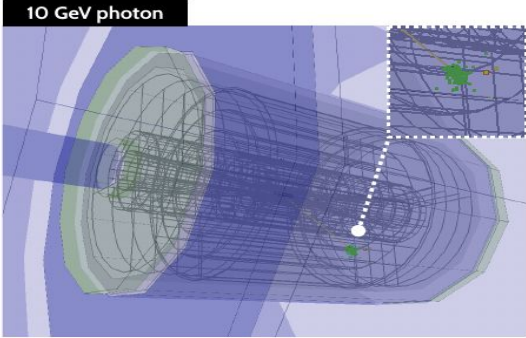
- Track seeding optimization (\sim manual)
- Parallel tracking
- Dedicated track reconstruction
- Automated optimization
- Alternative reconstruction algorithms

Plenty of opportunities for small or big projects



Calorimeters

Diffuse Beam-Induced Background energy deposits in both electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters.



- Key detector characteristics:
- large dynamic range – physics needs
 - short integration time
 - good time-of-arrival resolution
 - longitudinal segmentation
 - good radiation hardness
 - good energy resolution for physics.

Homogeneous and sampling calorimeters being considered

Sub-Detector MAIA / MUSIC Units	Technology	Cell Size mm ²	# Longitudinal Slices	Time Resolution ps	Integration Time ns	Signal Time Window ns
EM Cal - Barrel	W+Si / Crystal	5 x 5	50 / 6	/50	/25	[-0.25, 10]
EM Cal - Endcap	W+Si / Crystal	5 x 5	50 / 6	/50	/25	[-0.25, 10]
HAD Cal - Barrel	Iron + Scint.	30 x 30	75 / 70	–	–	[-0.25, 10]
HAD Cal - Endcap	Iron + Scint.	30 x 30	75 / 70	–	–	[-0.25, 10]

EM Calorimeter

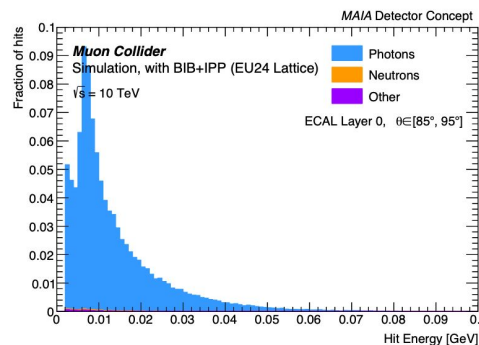
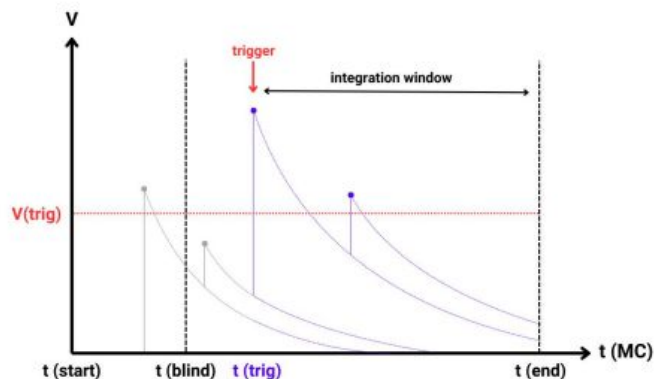
Placement of solenoid creates differences in MAIA vs MUSIC energy deposits.

- shielding for soft BIB particles vs energy loss of object of interest

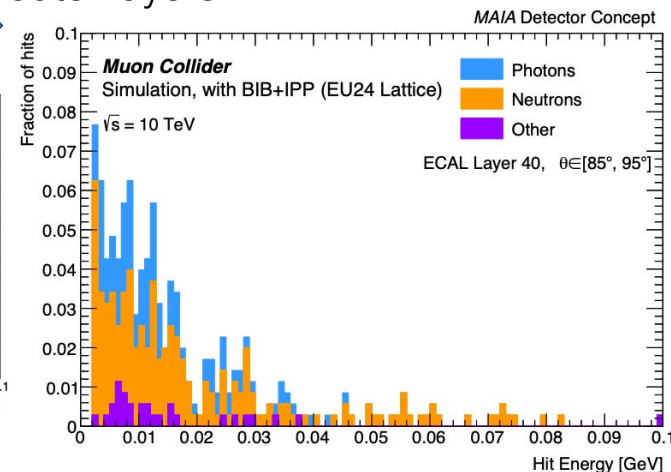
[Rose's talk](#)

A few recent highlights

- new digitization model for MUSIC, interplay with test-beam results
- high-precision G4 physics list (BERT_HP), neutrons have less penetration power (deposit most of their energy in the first layers)



inner to outer layers

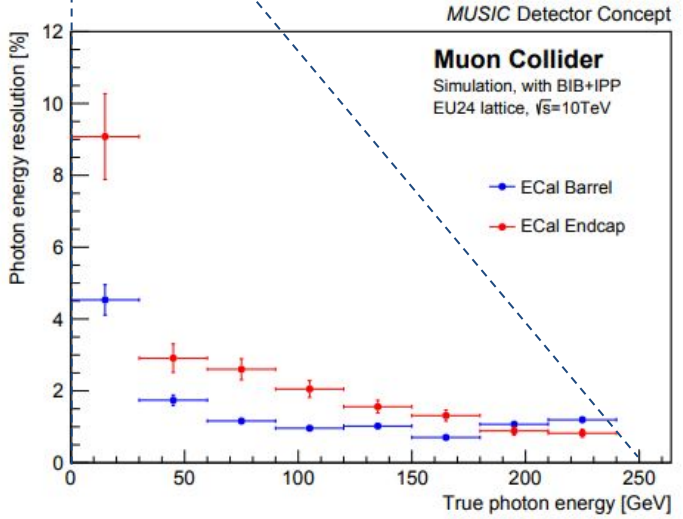
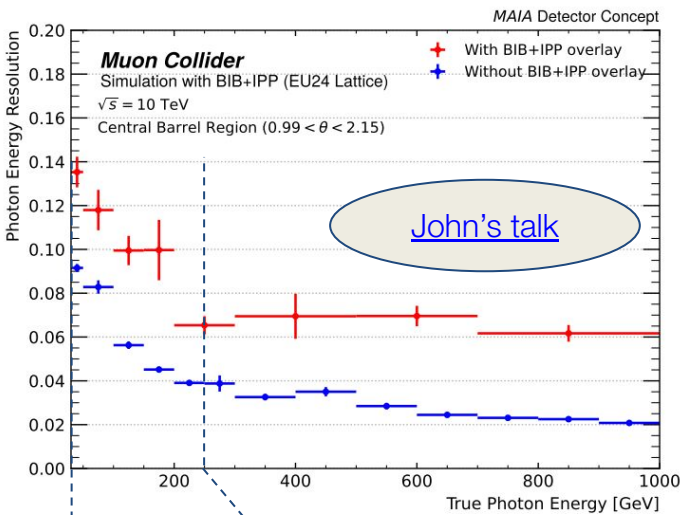
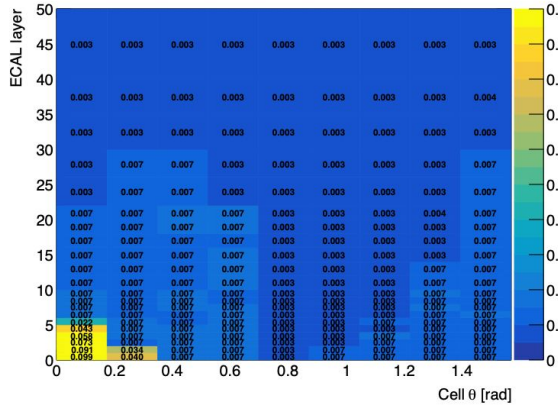
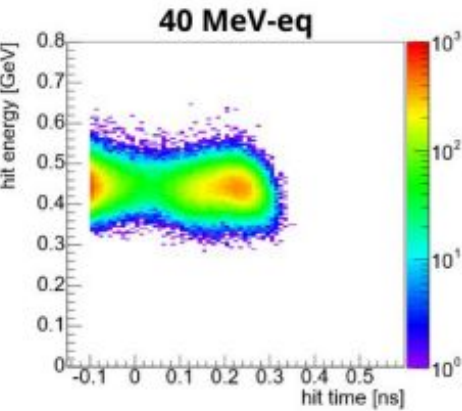


EM Calorimeter Performance

Performance evaluated with single photons and realistic backgrounds

- re-optimization of cell timing / energy selections

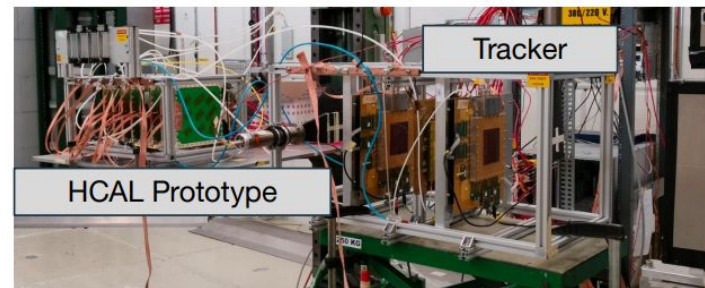
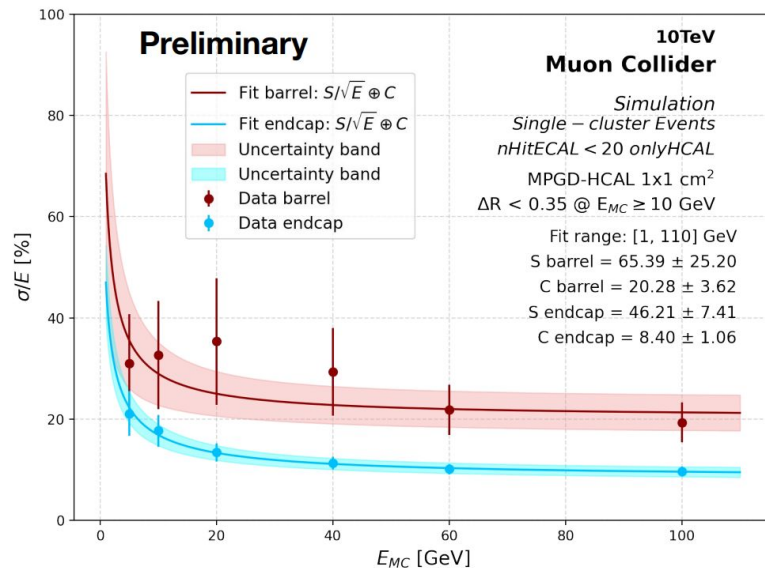
Lots of active work to understand achievable resolution and pro/cons of each design / choice.



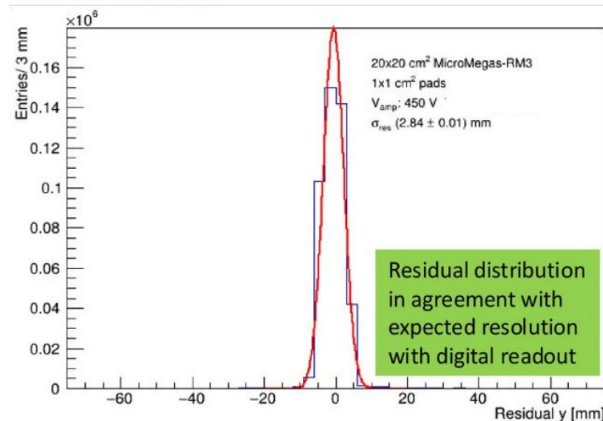
Hadronic Calorimeter

Plan to systematically compare three MPGD technologies for hadronic calorimetry

- MicroMegas, μ RWELL and RPWELL
- Timing capabilities
- Requirements on front-end electronics
- Prototyping and testbeam campaigns



Residual distribution



Aim to use at best information from all sub-detectors

- Pandora: designed for ILC

Pursuing two main approaches

MUSIC

Piece-by-piece optimization

- jet clustering
- fake-jet removal
- jet direction correction
- jet p_T correction

arXiv:0907.3577

Event Preparation

- Track selection
- Hit preparation

Clustering

1. Photon Clustering
2. Fast photon ID
3. Cone clustering
4. Topological merging
5. Reclustering
6. Photon recovery + ID
7. Fragment removal

Particle Flow Object Creation

Set of basic ID algorithms

MAIA

Construct a Particle Flow algorithm by stacking sub-algorithms

- easier to debug
- re-optimize for speed in this environment

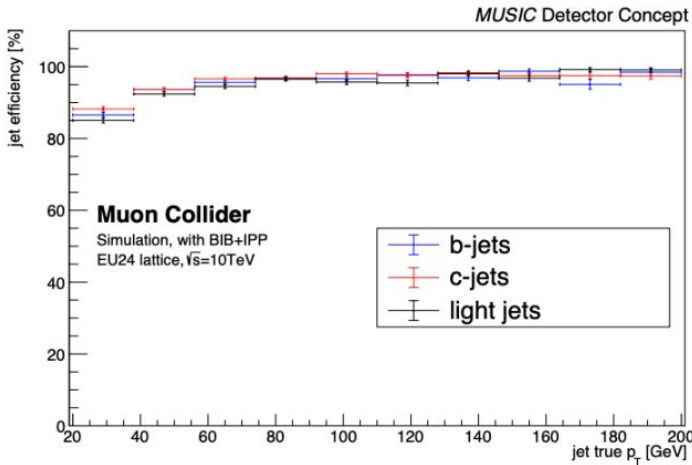
Particle Flow Reconstruction

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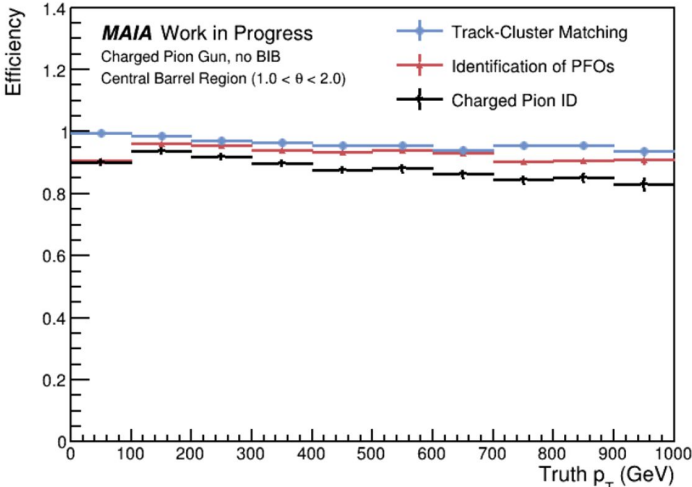
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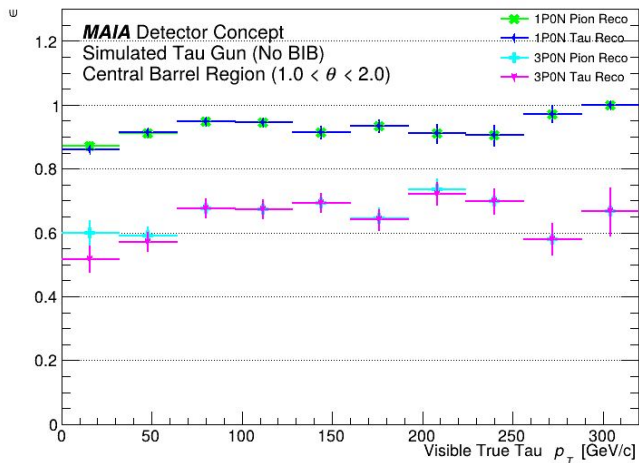
High-energy jets and flavor tagging

Rapid progress in starting to investigate more complex objects

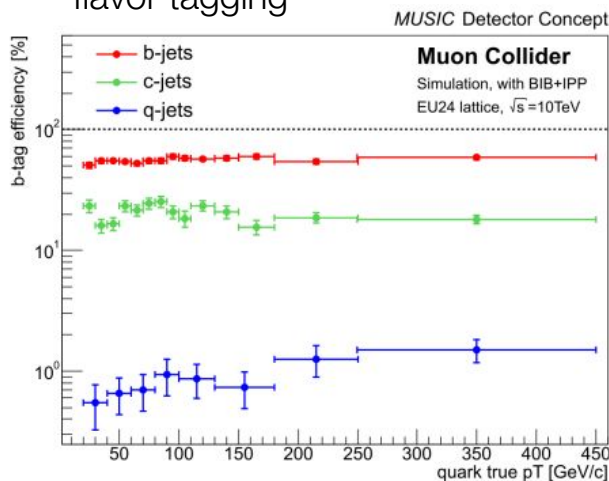
- light, b/c-jets tagging, towards more advanced taggers
- tau reconstruction and ID
- jet substructure

Great area for more people to be involved!

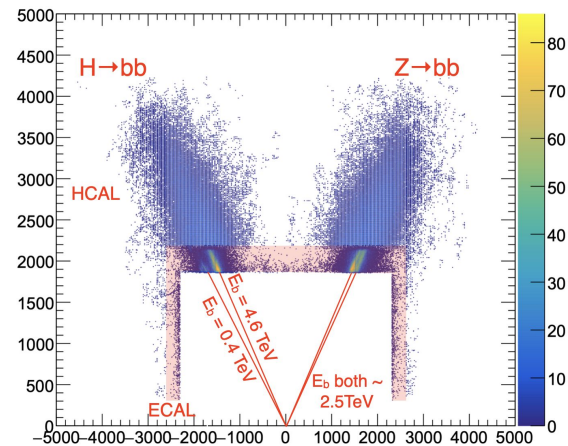
tau reconstruction



flavor tagging



very collimated jets

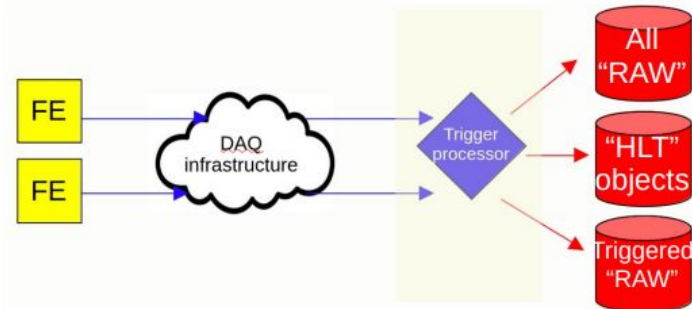


DAQ and Offline processing

A huge rate of data produced due to BIB

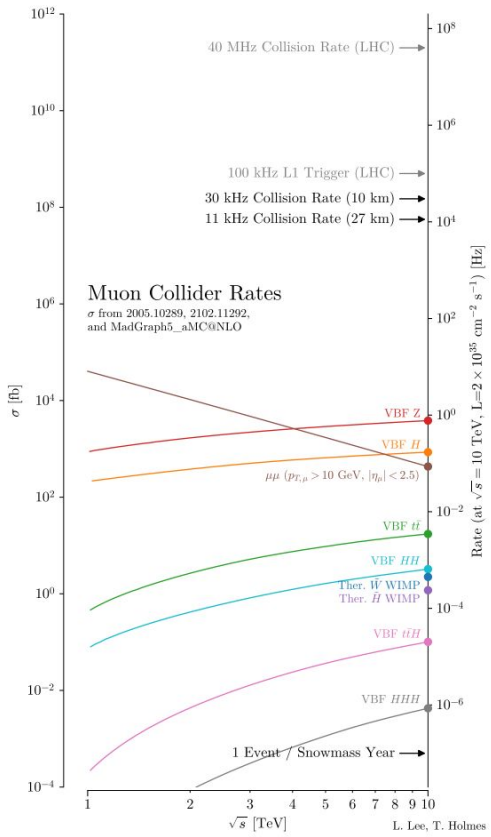
- where should data be reduced?
- what requirements on front-end electronics, DAQ and offline processing and storage?

Initial discussion and first quantitative estimates!



	size [MB] / event	events	total size [PB]
RAW ⁶	80		400
RECO / AOD ^{7 8}	20	$5 \cdot 10^9$	100
analysis ⁹	0.005		0.03
SIM ¹⁰	250		25000
SIM RECO ¹¹	40	10^{11}	4000
SIM analysis ¹¹	0.01		1.0
Total			29501

	HEPscore ¹ s / event	events
Generation ²		640
Simulation ³		550
Reconstruction (sim) ⁴		1130
Reconstruction (data) ^{4 5}		$5 \cdot 10^{12}$
Re-processing (sim)	1680	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$
Re-processing (data)	1130	$2 \cdot 5 \cdot 10^9$
Total		



Conclusions

Tremendous progress continues in better understanding how a muon collider detector could look like.

- It's exciting to see many new people bringing new ideas at all career stages!

To design a detector that excels in this unique environment:

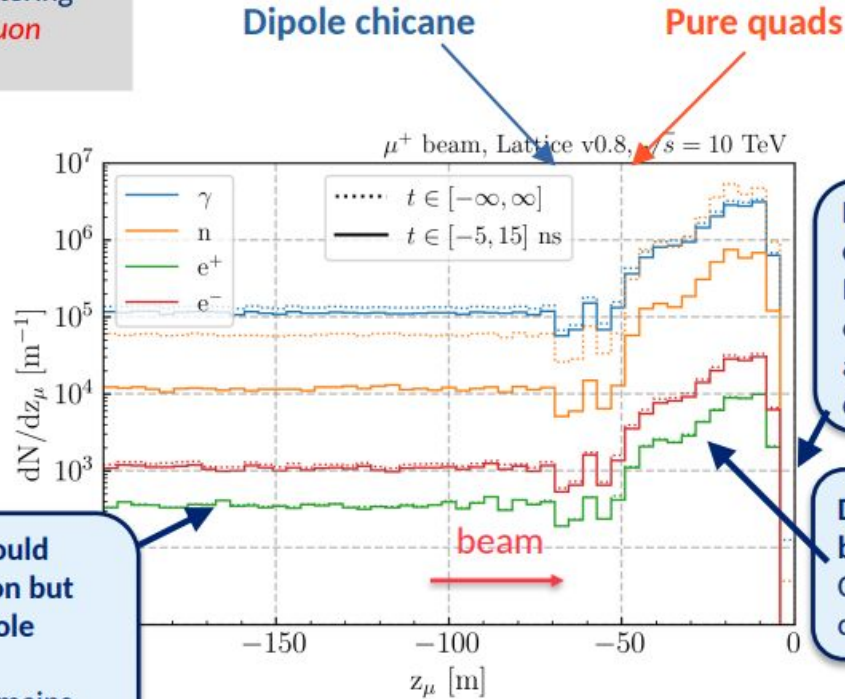
- Prove a minimal design that can extract the needed physics
- Identify possible technologies that can evolve to those needs
- Explore different ideas, prove / learn from prototyping needed technologies
 - many more details not covered here: PID, (fwd) muons, luminosity, quantum detectors and much more!

Aim for a fast-loop between simulation, especially low-level, and hardware R&D

BACKUP

BIB and Lattice design

Number of background particles entering the detector as a function of the **muon** decay position:



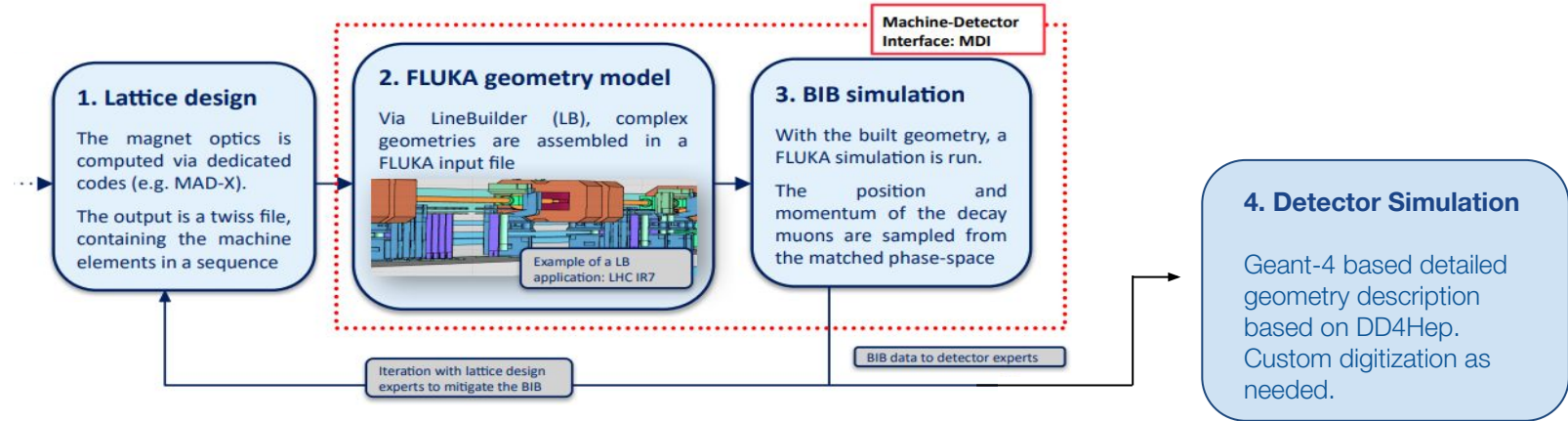
Latest **10 TeV**
lattice version
(v0.8)

Decays inside nozzle (between IP and L*) contribute very little to the background
But: increasing L* from 6 m to 10 m yields only small improvement – O(few 10%) – at the expense of a more complex lattice design

Decays inside triplet dominate background
Can only be partially mitigate by lattice choice (e.g. dipolar component)

Decays in drift upstream of FF would yield a non-negligible contribution but can be strongly reduced by a dipole chicane
Nevertheless, the contribution remains non-zero

BIB Simulation



Requirements / Specifications

Requirement	Baseline		Aspirational
	$\sqrt{s} = 3 \text{ TeV}$	$\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV}$	
Angular acceptance	$ \eta < 2.5$	$ \eta < 2.5$	$ \eta < 4$
Minimum tracking distance [cm]	~ 3	~ 3	< 3
Forward muons ($\eta > 5$)	–	tag	$\sigma_p/p \sim 10\%$
Track σ_{p_T}/p_T^2 [GeV^{-1}]	4×10^{-5}	4×10^{-5}	1×10^{-5}
Photon energy resolution	$0.2/\sqrt{E}$	$0.2/\sqrt{E}$	$0.1/\sqrt{E}$
Neutral hadron energy resolution	$0.5/\sqrt{E}$	$0.4/\sqrt{E}$	$0.2/\sqrt{E}$
Timing resolution (tracker) [ps]	$\sim 30 - 60$	$\sim 30 - 60$	$\sim 10 - 30$
Timing resolution (calorimeters) [ps]	100	100	10
Timing resolution (muon system) [ps]	~ 50 for $ \eta > 2.5$	~ 50 for $ \eta > 2.5$	< 50 for $ \eta > 2.5$
Flavour tagging	b vs c	b vs c	b vs c , s -tagging
Boosted hadronic resonance ID	h vs W/Z	h vs W/Z	W vs Z

Baseline: mostly based on current design/ideas and physics benchmark studies

Aspirational: motivated by significantly better physics results achievable

Requirements guide the technology we develop, not all are the same

- strict: when they're absolutely necessary or physics would suffer too much
- soft: when meeting or exceeding them has impact on the accuracy achievable but is far from a black&white picture

Resources

Exercise to evaluate resources required as input for the EU strategy

- focusing on resources to be allocated for a targeted R&D
- assumes a ~equal amount from *generic* R&D projects

Area	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
Simulation & Performance										
Staff	1.8	3.5	5.3	7	7	7	7	8.8	10.5	10.5
Post doc	1.8	3.5	5.3	7	7	7	7	8.8	10.5	10.5
Student	3.5	7	10.5	14	14	14	14	17.5	21	21
Material (kCHF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Detector Technology										
Staff	4.9	9.8	14.8	19.7	19.7	19.7	19.7	24.6	29.5	29.5
Post doc	4.9	9.8	14.8	19.7	19.7	19.7	19.7	24.6	29.5	29.5
Student	9.8	19.7	29.5	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	49.2	59	59
Material (kCHF)	425	850	1275	1700	1700	1700	1700	2125	2550	2550
Software & Computing										
Staff	1.1	2.2	3.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	5.4	6.5	6.5
Post doc	1.1	2.2	3.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	5.4	6.5	6.5
Student	2.2	4.3	6.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	10.8	13	13
Material (kCHF)	100	200	300	400	400	400	400	500	600	600
TOTALS										
Material (MCHF)	0.5	1.1	1.6	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.1
FTE	23.4	46.5	70.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	116.4	139.5	139.5

A few key messages

- small collaborations to tackles problems
- horizontal coordination across R&D groups and performance
- a small contribution can go a long way!

more on Nadia's talk!

... and much more!

Muon detectors

- central: endcap timing, reconstruction algorithms
- forward (within nozzle!): very complex!

PID detectors presently uncovered

- what technology can work within BIB?

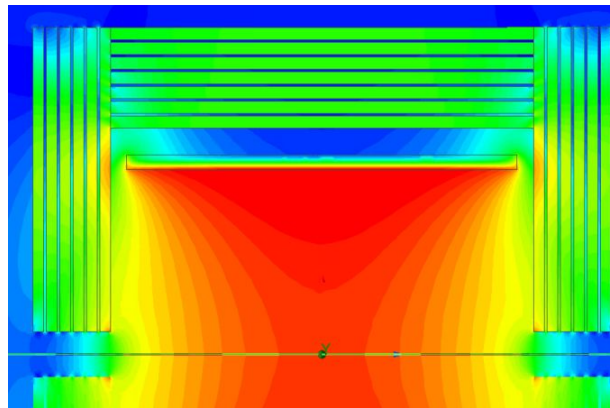
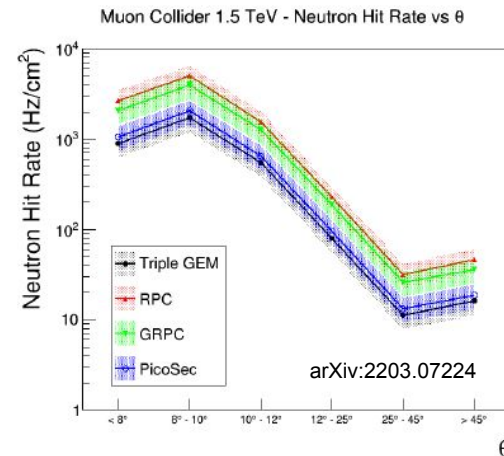
Luminosity monitoring

- online and offline measurements

Towards a more realistic solenoid description

Quantum detectors?! Neutrinos “detector”?

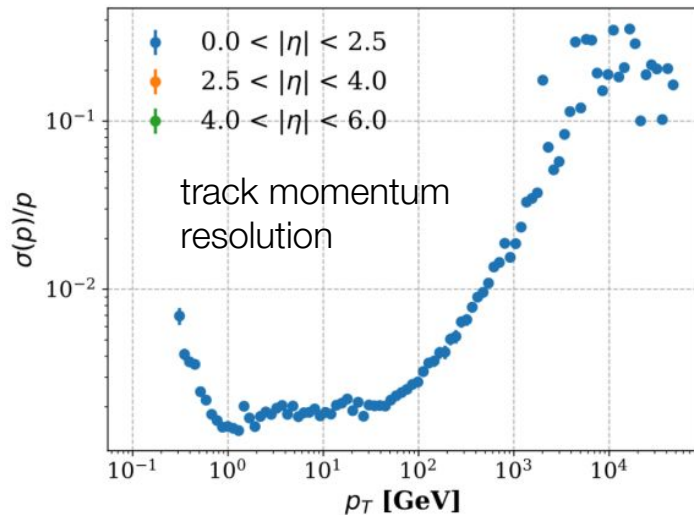
Add your own idea here...



Full vs Fast simulation

1. Maintain and improve a DELPHES card for the detector(s)
 - very short on person-power!
2. Perform key physics studies using full simulation to validate and assess cases where a simplified simulation might not be possible/easy

DELPHES card



Higgs self-coupling

arXiv:2405.19314

