

sPHENIX MVTX Introduction

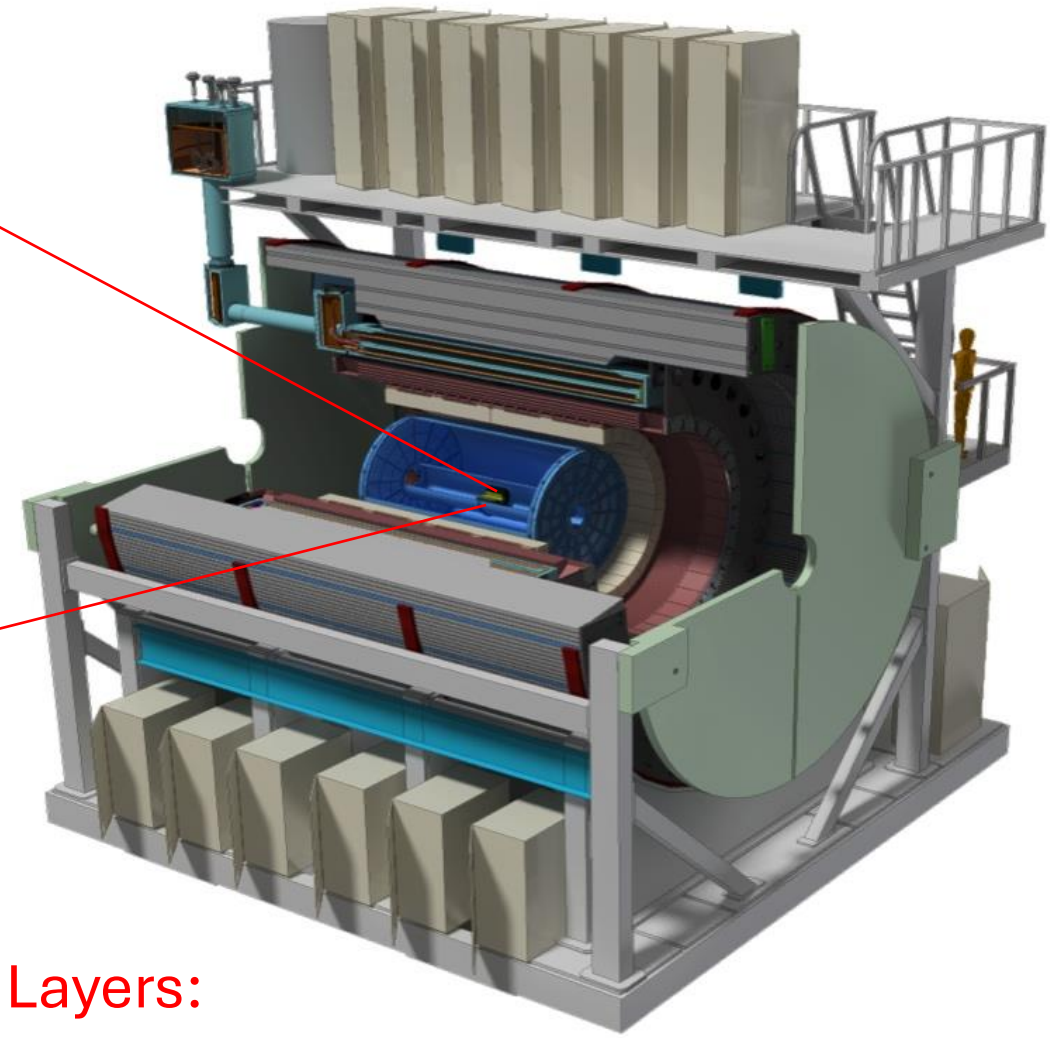
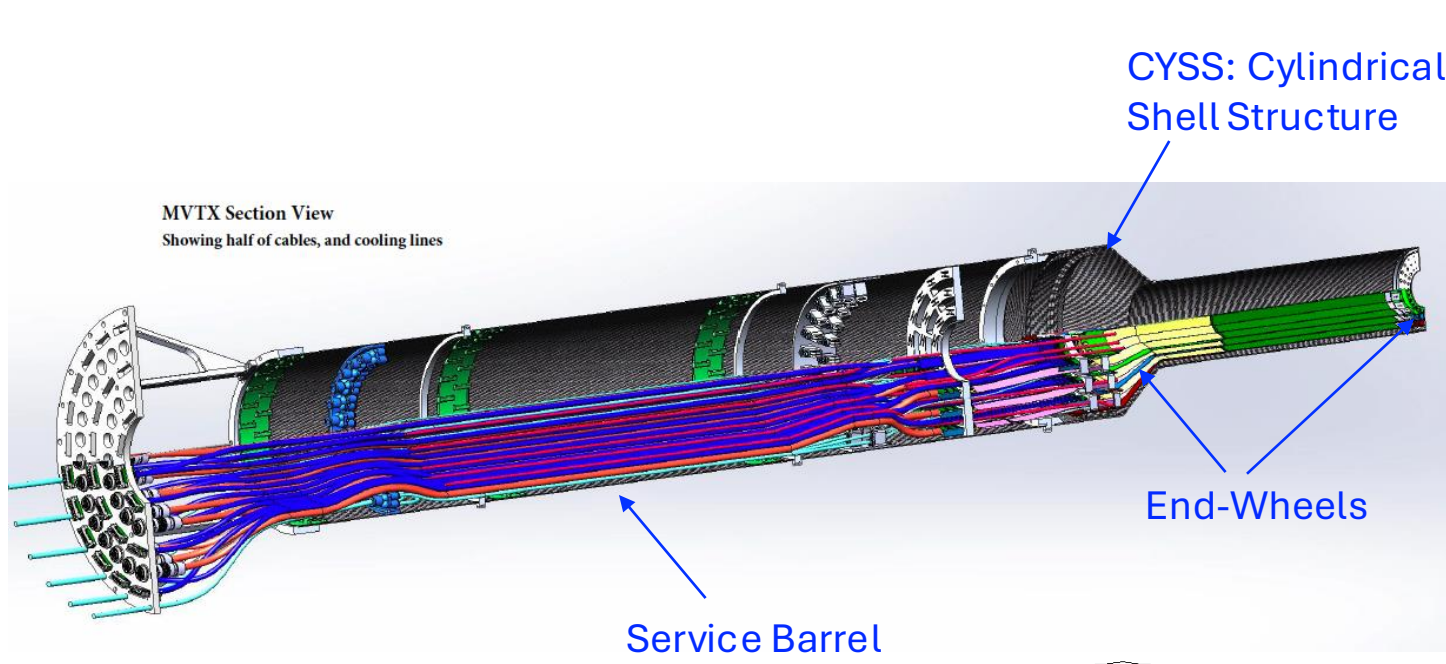
(Monolithic-Active-Pixel-Sensor (MAPS) based VerTex detector)

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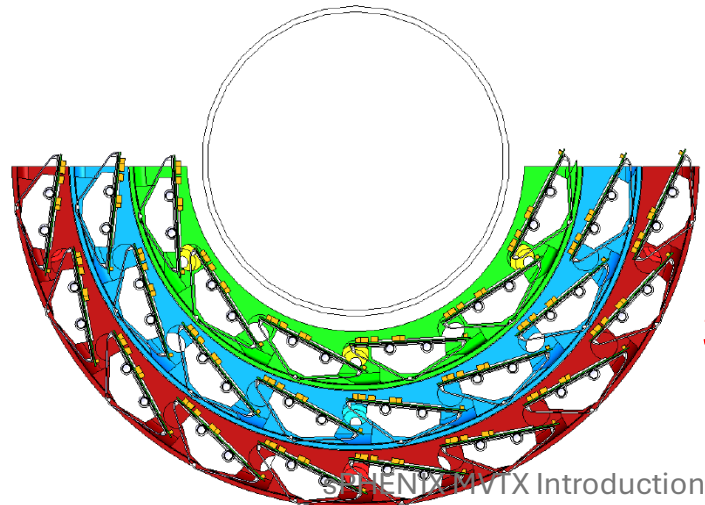
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MVTX Detector in sPHENIX



MVTX parameters: L = 271 mm

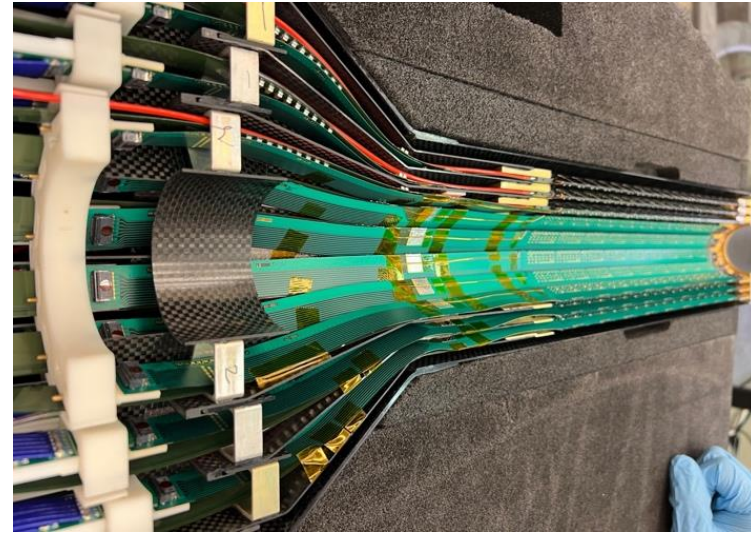
	R_min (mm)
Layer 0	24.61
Layer 1	31.98
Layer 2	39.93



3 Layers:
12/16/20 staves

sPHENIX MVTX Detectors

- **Construction completed in 2022**
 - 84 staves available, 48 used in MVTX, rest as spares
- **Installed in sPHENIX IR in 2023**
 - Short commission run in 2023, Au+Au collisions
- **Long 1-year 2024 p+p run**
 - Trigger-less full streaming readout
- **Long 1-year 2025 Au+Au run**
 - in progress, triggered readout mode
- **Available in 2026 for other experiments**
 - Full detectors, readout and control

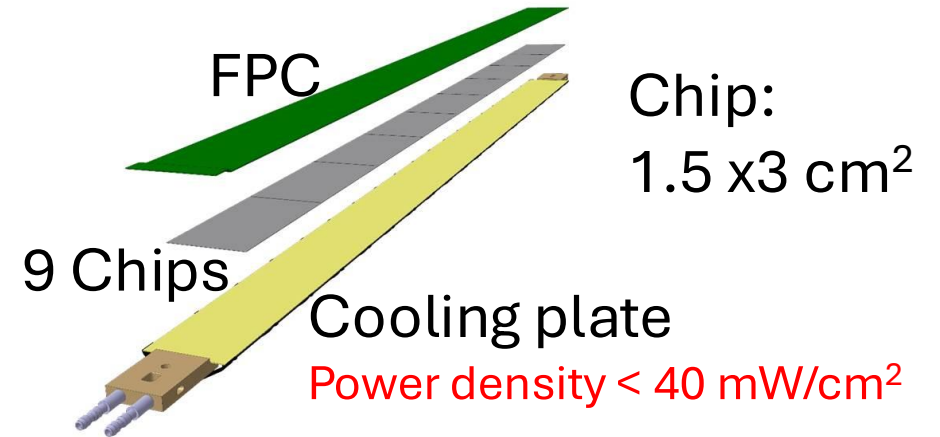


Monolithic-Active-Pixel-Sensors (MAPS)

A State of the Art Pixel Tracker

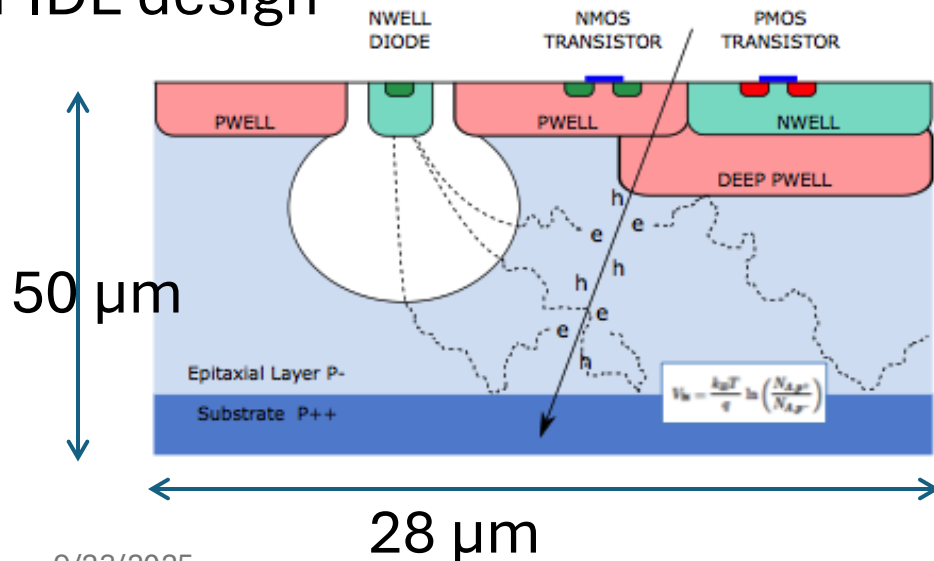
- Advantages of ALICE MAPS/ALPIDE:

- Very fine pitch (27x29 μm), 5 μm tracking resolution
- High efficiency (>99%) and low noise (<10⁻⁶)
- Time resolution, ~5 μs
- Ultra-thin/low mass, 50 μm (~0.3% X₀)
- On-pixel digitization, low power dissipation
- Full streaming readout (trigger less) and trigger mode
- Rad hard, >2.7MRad



A 9-chip MAPS stave, (1.5 x 3)x9cm²

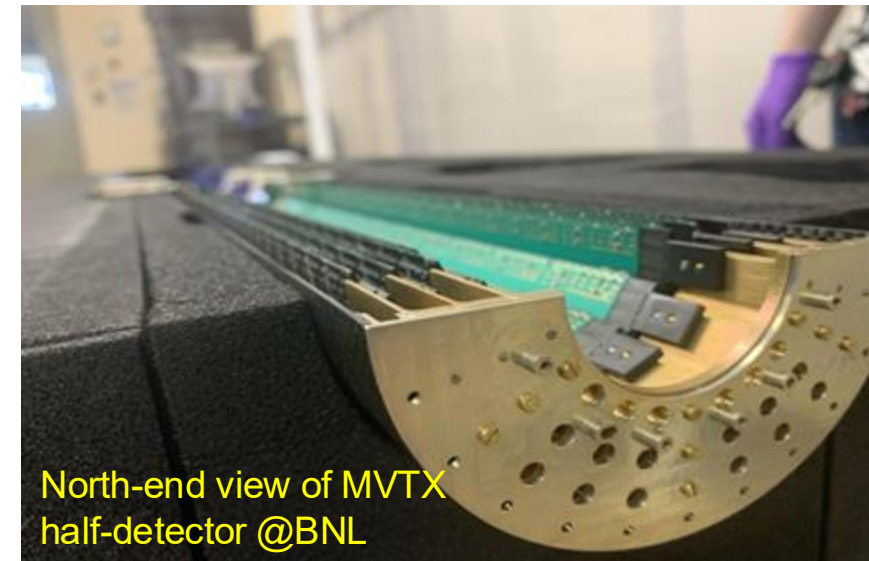
ALPIDE design



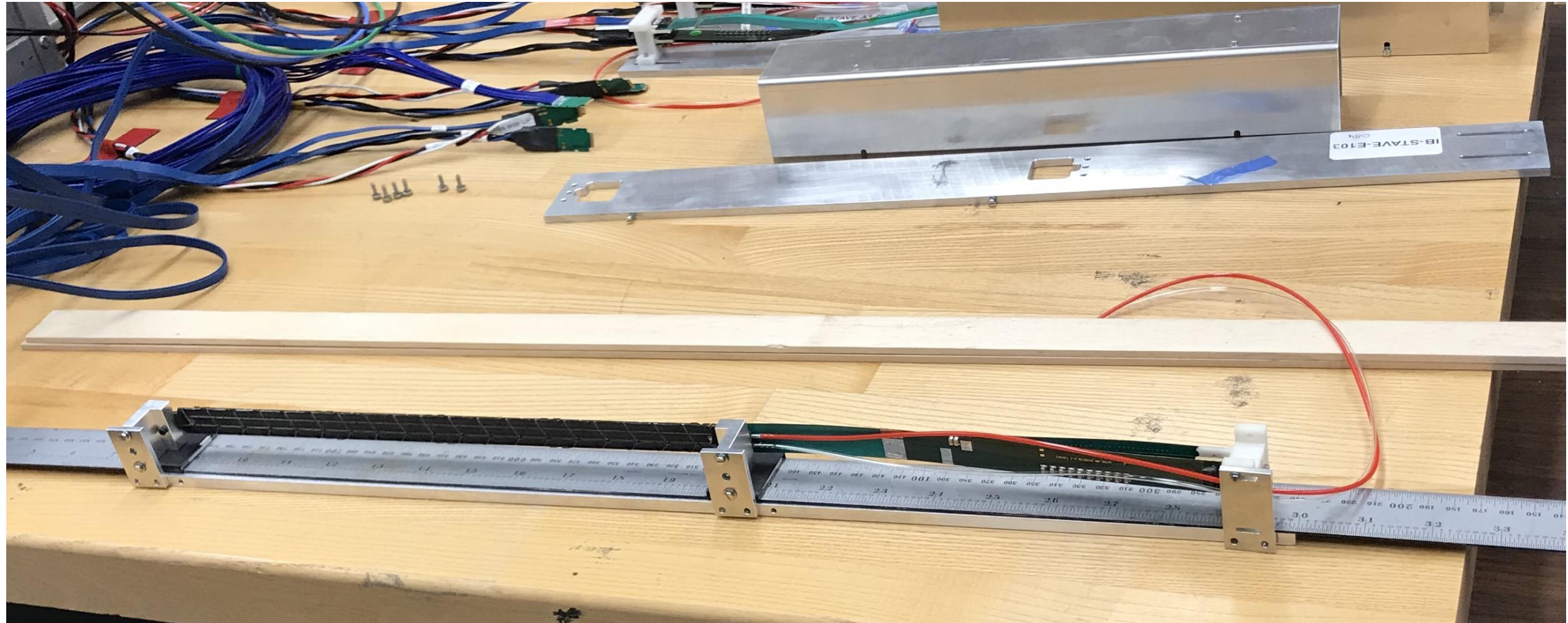
Tower Jazz 0.18 μm CMOS

- feature size 180 nm
- metal layers 6
- gate oxide 3nm

substrate: $N_A \sim 10^{18}$
 epitaxial layer: $N_A \sim 10^{13}$
 deep p-well: $N_A \sim 10^{16}$



MVTX Staves @LANL Lab



Possible Other Applications

JLab

CERN collider

CERN fixed target

FNAL

SLAC?

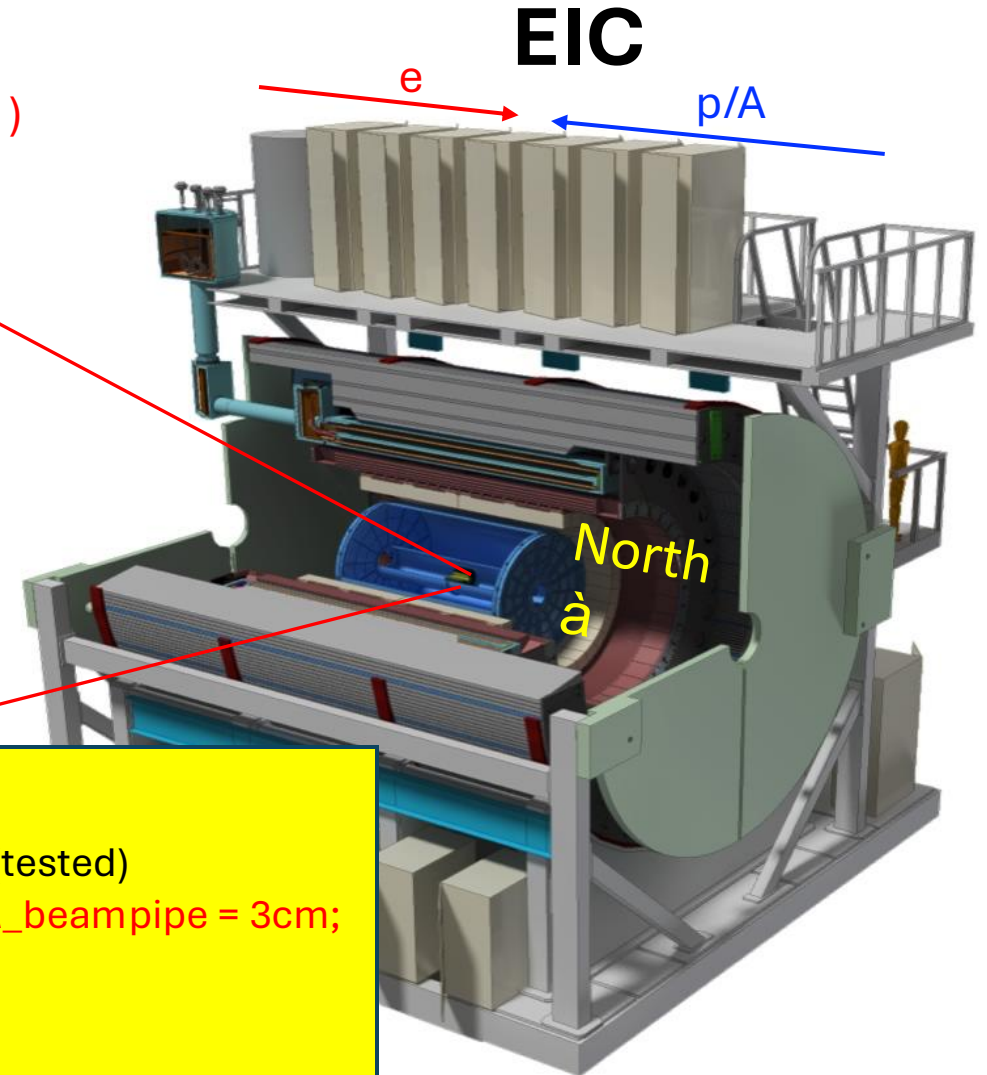
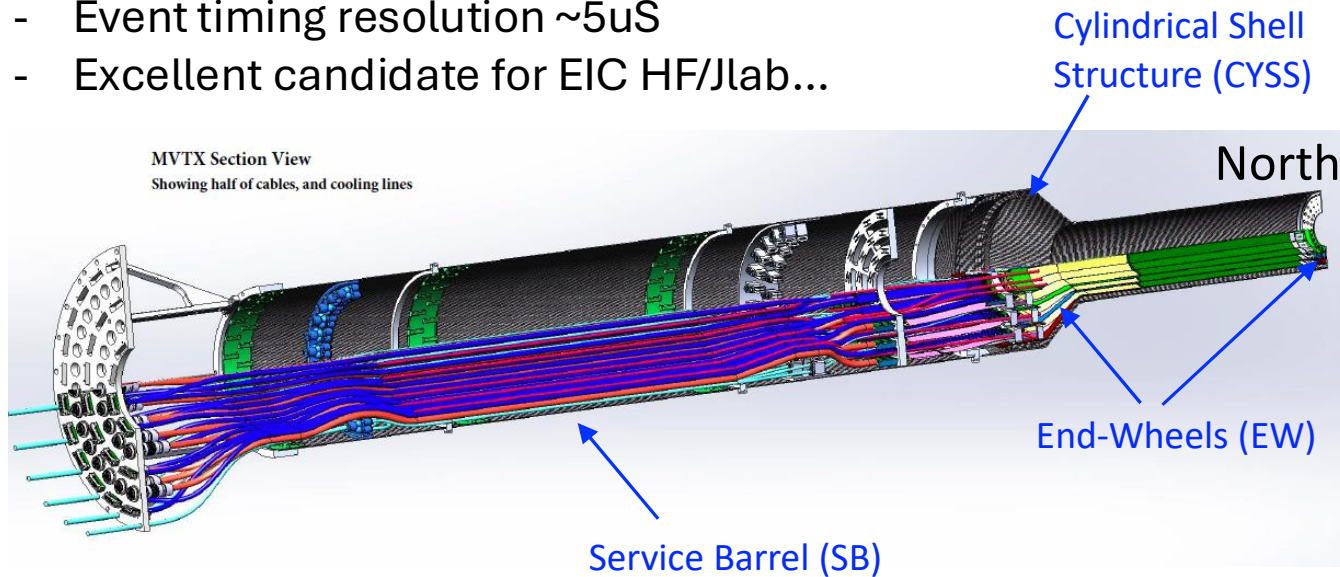
New configurations possible

Reconfigure MVTX for EIC ?

- if we can't afford a new vertex detector (ITS-3, HV-MAPS like)

MVTX sensors (ITS-2):

- 27um x 29 um, (spatial resolution $\sim < 5.0\text{um}$, $< 20/\sqrt{12} = 5.8\text{um}$)
- Event timing resolution $\sim 5\text{uS}$
- Excellent candidate for EIC HF/Jlab...



MVTX staves should still be in excellent condition for EIC day-1 physics,

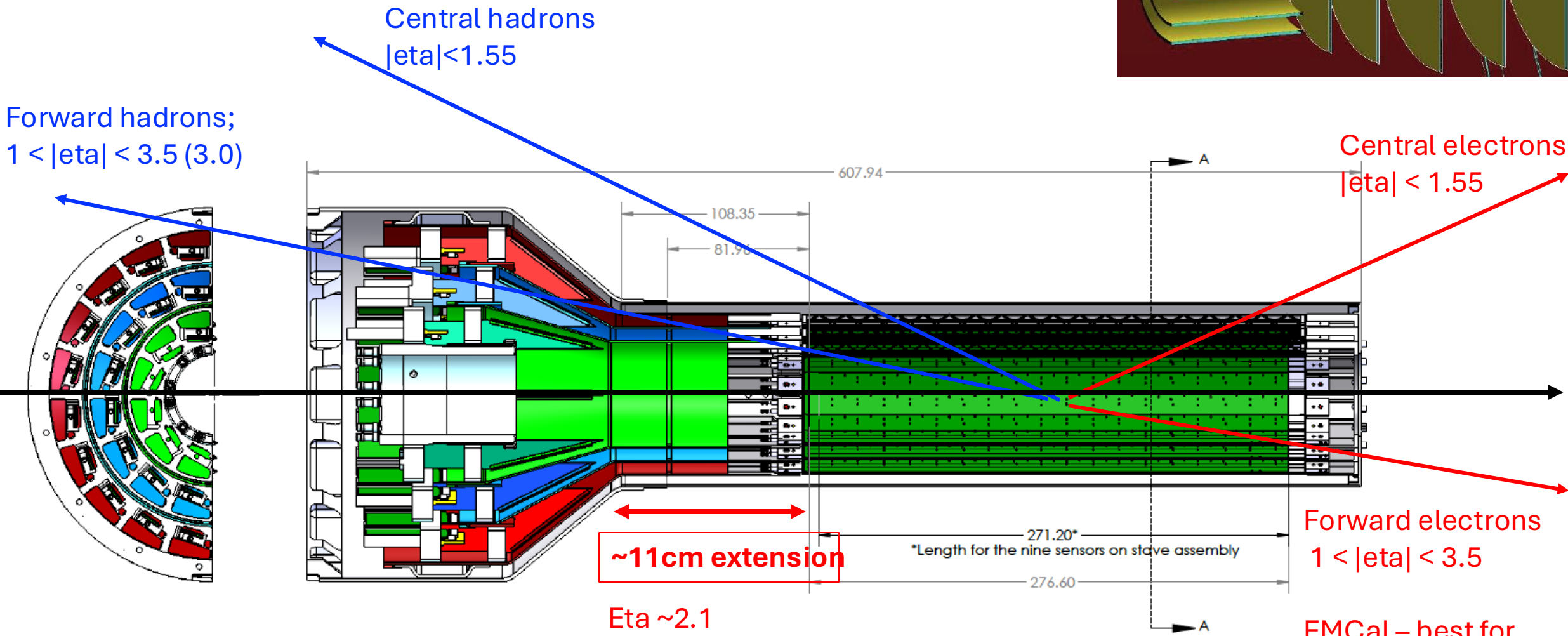
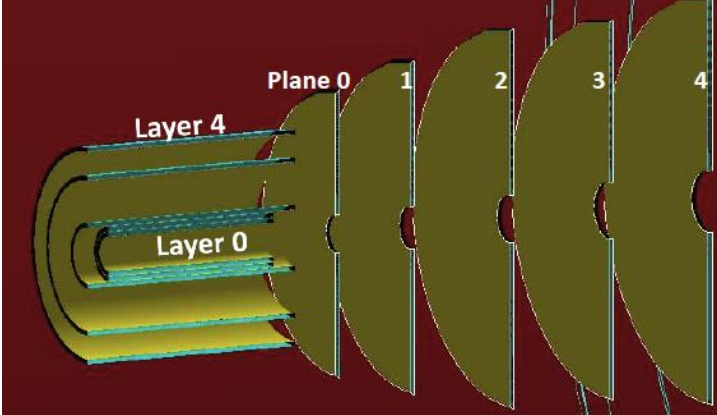
- Expected radiation dosage after 5 years of run: $\sim O(10)$ kRad $\ll 2.7$ MRad (tested)
- MVTX could provide excellent coverage for the central barrel, $|\eta| \sim < 1.5$ at $R_{\text{beam pipe}} = 3\text{cm}$;
- requires other fast detector(s) for fast beam-crossing timing (spin)
- reconfigured to fit the new (larger) beam pipe ($R \sim 3\text{cm}$)

- Small event pile-up from EIC collisions:

$$0.7\text{MHz} \times 5 \text{ uS} = 3.5 \text{ events "per readout/trigger", other backgrounds dominant?}$$

EIC Central Barrel: "MVTX-Like" Design with Extended Power FPC

Barrel + Disks



Forward hadrons;
 $1 < |\eta| < 3.5$ (3.0)

Central hadrons
 $|\eta| < 1.55$

Central electrons
 $|\eta| < 1.55$

Forward electrons
 $1 < |\eta| < 3.5$

~11cm extension

Eta ~2.1

*Length for the nine sensors on stave assembly

EMCal – best for
 E measurement?