

# Liquid Xe Detectors

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# General Property of Liquid Xenon

<http://www.pd.infn.it/~conti/LXe.html>

Rich detection media : Scintillation and Ionization

Scintillation

energy

photomultipliers

GEM/photocathod

Avalanche Photodiodes

Ionization

position

ionization chamber with low noise amp. 300e

GEM in 2 phase Xe

22,000 VUV photons/511KeV with 3ns, 27ns and 45ns

30,000 electron-ion pairs/511KeV

electron drift at 2.3mm/us with 2kV/cm

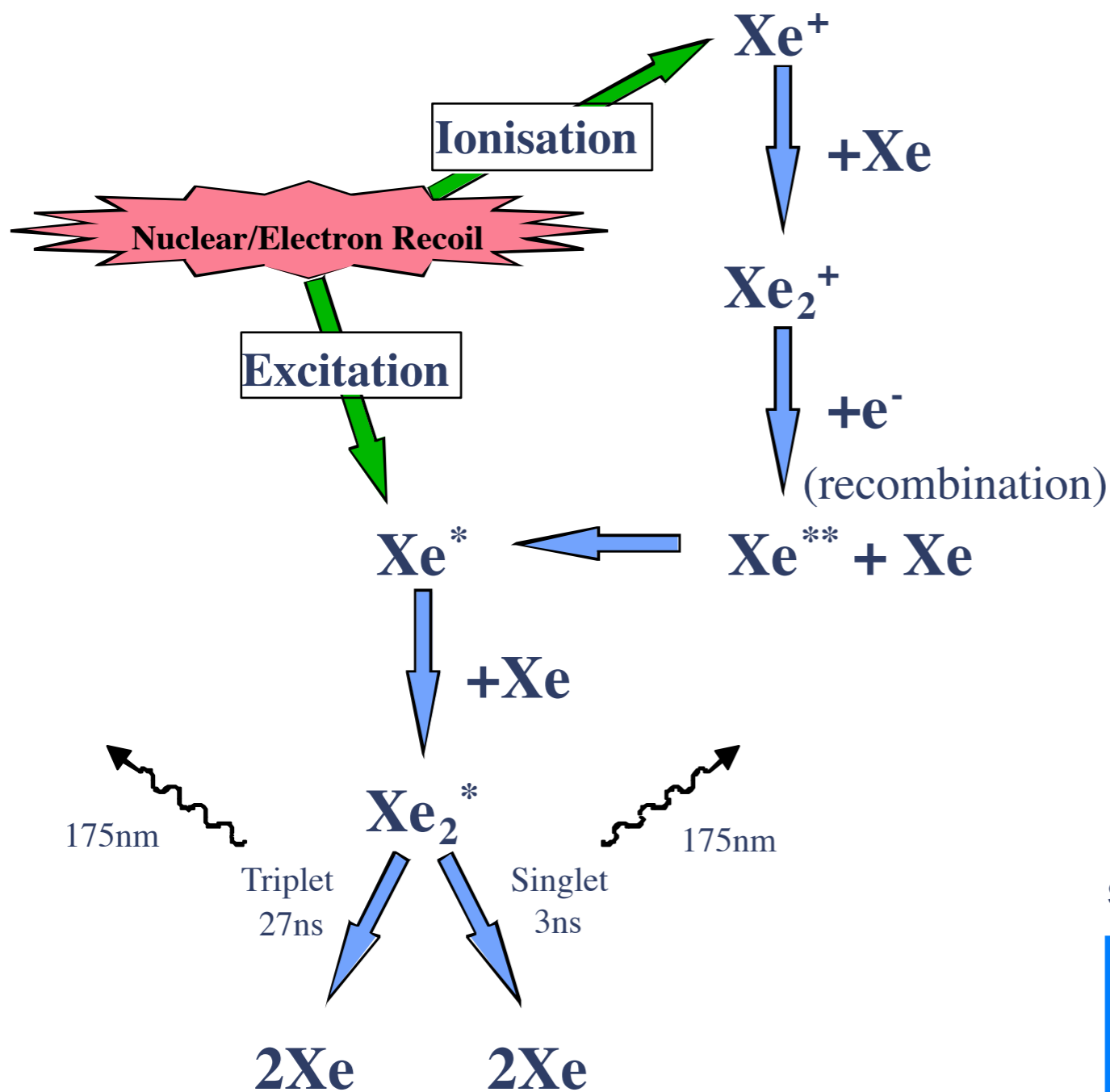
At 511 keV, 22% photoelectric, 78% Compton with xenon

half a mm for 511 keV photoelectron

Primary ionization signal is weak: of the order of 1, 10, 100 and 500 keV for coherent neutrino, dark matter, solar neutrino and PET respectively.



# XENON (PSD and Scint/Ion)



## three discrimination techniques

(1) scintillation pulse shape

(2) ionisation-scintillation  
- low field-

(3) ionisation-scintillation  
- high field, low threshold -

single phase Xe



two phase Xe



## World expertise

- ICARUS-UCLA
- Doke group (Japan)
- DAMA
- Columbia
- UKDMC
- ITEP



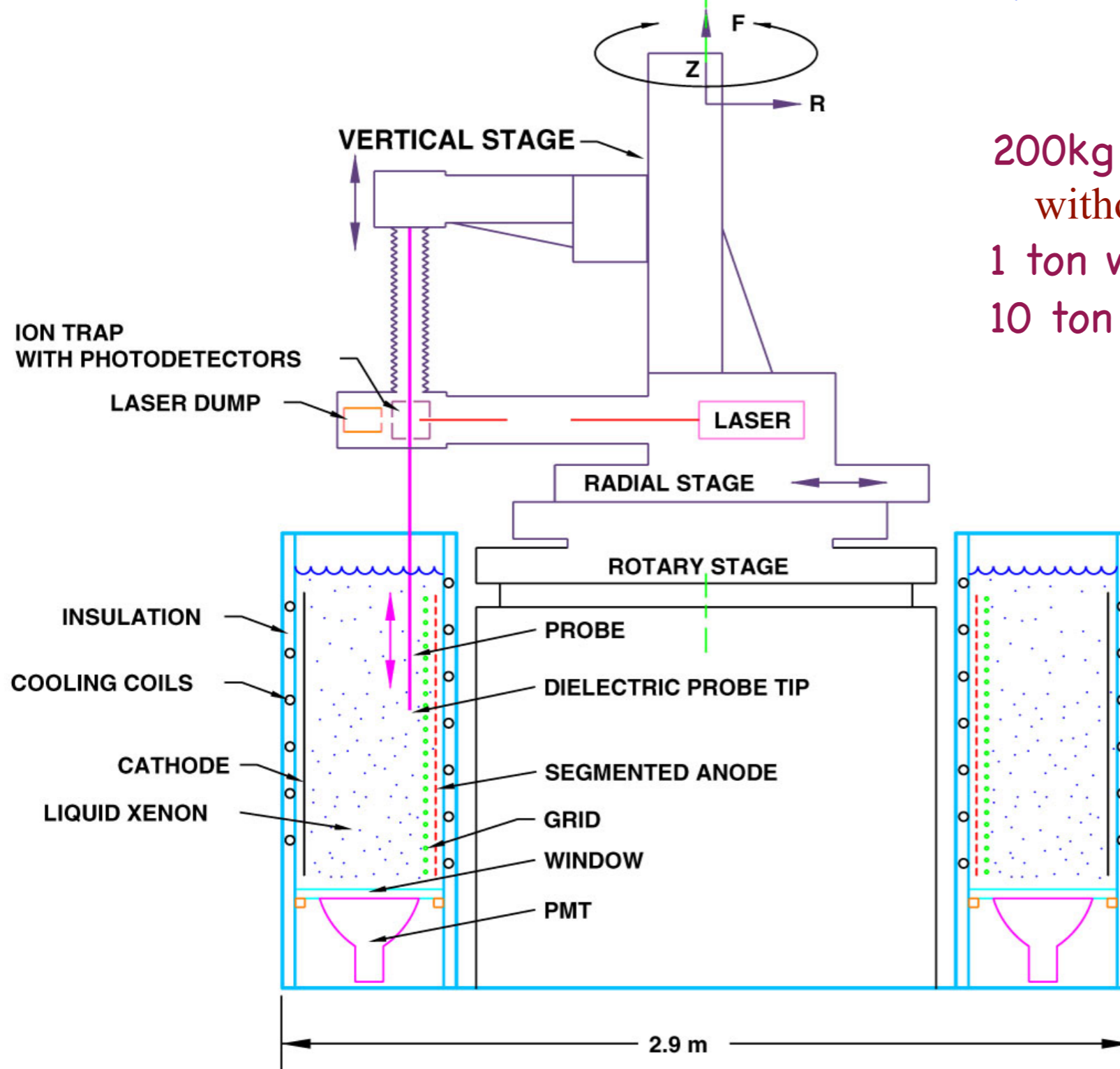
1 Phase

# EXO TPC ; 1 phase

2006

<http://www-project.slac.stanford.edu/exo/> ; Double  $\beta$  Decay  
liqXe-TPC, grid and segmented anode and PMT, 10ton (3m<sup>3</sup>)

WIPP : Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Carlsbad NM, Excavated in underground  
salt - lower U/Th activity. ~2,000 m.w.e. depth



200kg (63l), enriched <sup>136</sup>Xe (80%) 2006  
without Ba tagging for 2 years  
1 ton with Ba tagging for 5 years  
10 ton with Ba tagging for 10 years



- Extract the Barium ion from the event location (electrostatic probe)
- Deliver the Barium to a laser system for Ba<sup>136</sup> identification.

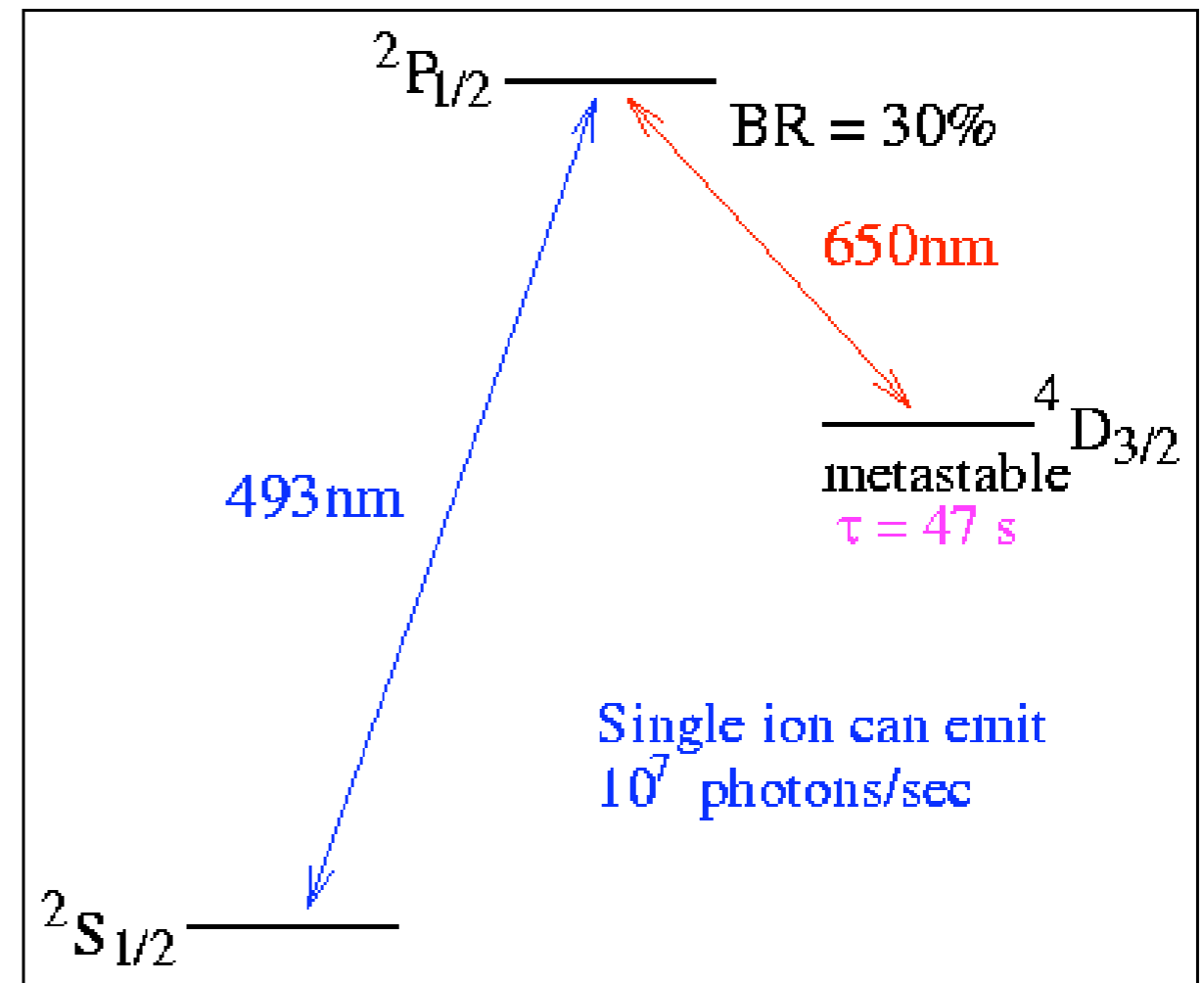
# Xe offers a new tool to reduce background:

$^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba}^{++}$  final state can be identified  
using optical spectroscopy (M.Moe PRC44 (1991) 931)

Ba<sup>+</sup> system best studied  
(Neuhauser, Hohenstatt,  
Toshek, Dehmelt 1980)  
Very specific signature  
“shelving”

Single ions can be detected  
from a photon rate of  $10^7/\text{s}$

Barium tagging would  
eliminate all radioactive  
backgrounds, leaving  
only  $2\nu\beta\beta$ .



Level structure for Ba<sup>+</sup>

# It's just crazy enough to work

Assuming that the Xe chamber + Ba tagging reduce to 0 all radioactive background...

Isotope	Det mass (kg)	Enrich. (%)	Eff. (%)	Measur. time (yr)	Background	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta}$ (yr)	$\langle m_n \rangle$ QRPA	$\langle m_n \rangle$ NSM	(eV)
$^{136}\text{Xe}^*$	1000	80	70	5	0 + 1.8 events	$8.3 \cdot 10^{26}$	0.051	0.14	
$^{136}\text{Xe}^{**}$	10000	80	70	10	0 + 5.5 events	$1.3 \cdot 10^{28}$	0.013	0.037	

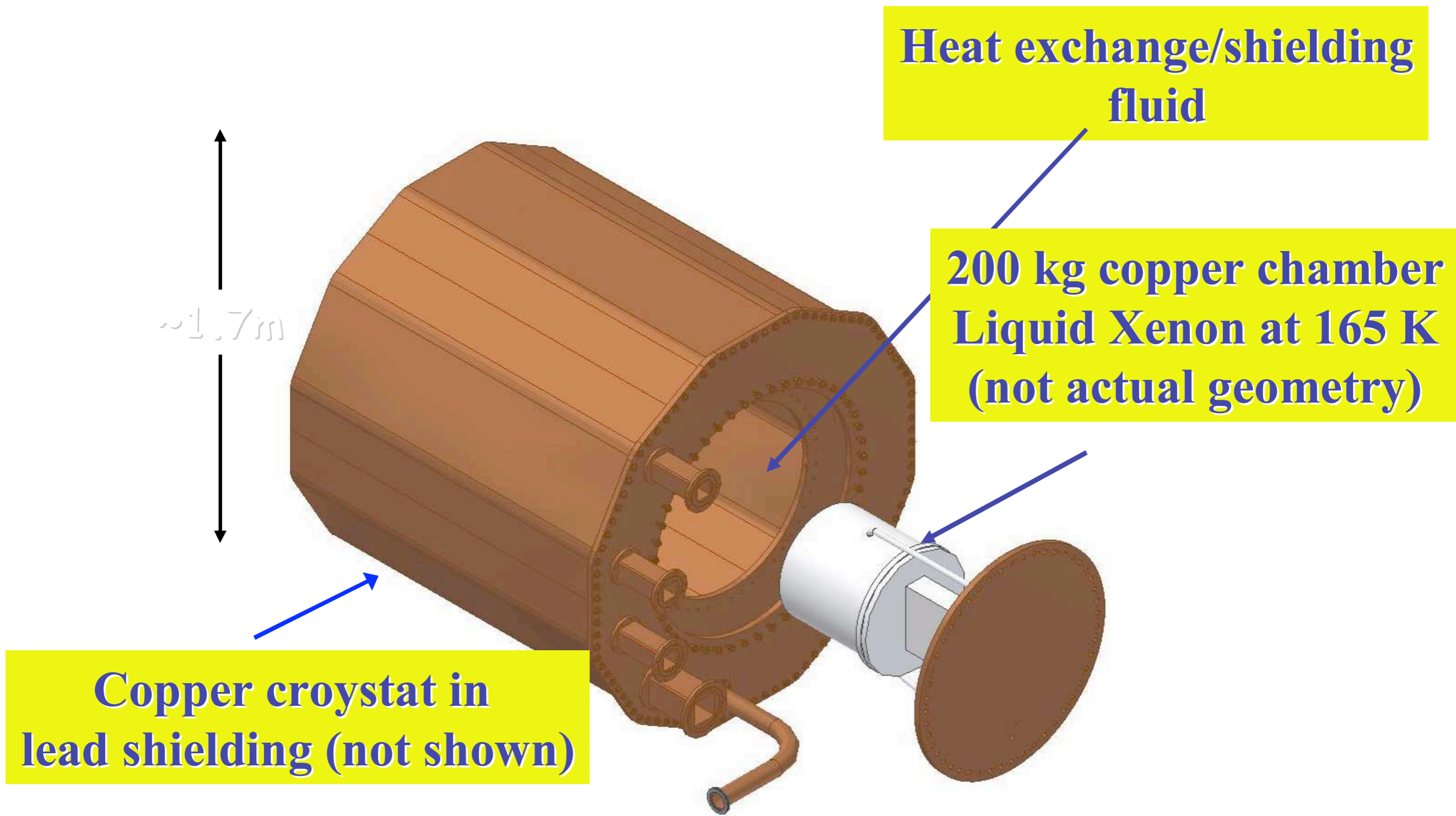
\*  $\sigma(E)/E = 2.8\%$  R.Luescher et al. Phys. Lett. B434 (1998) 407

\*\*  $\sigma(E)/E = 2.0\%$  Modest improvement on the above.

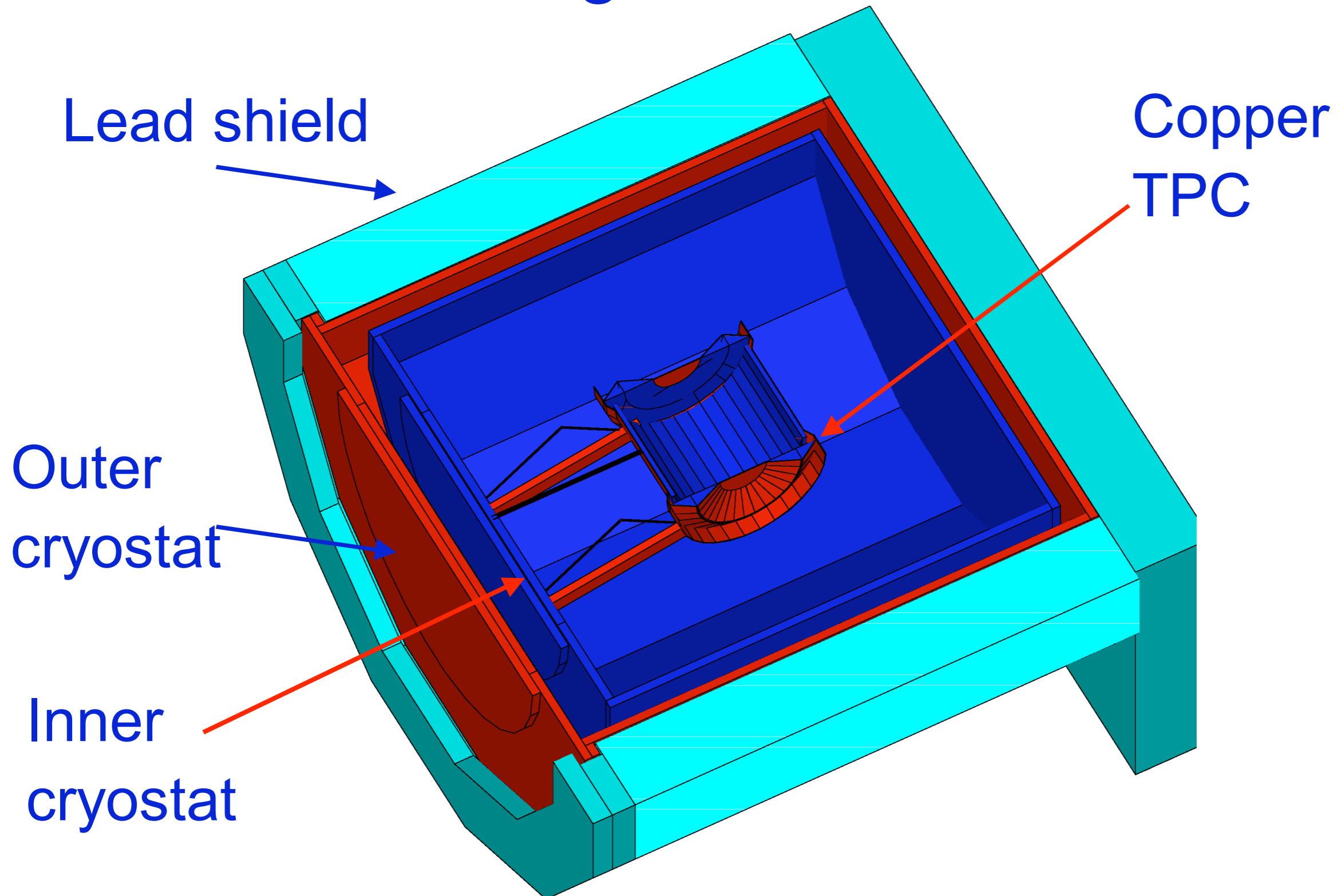
## The meV region is within reach.



The EXO-200 is an  
ultra-low background cryogenic apparatus

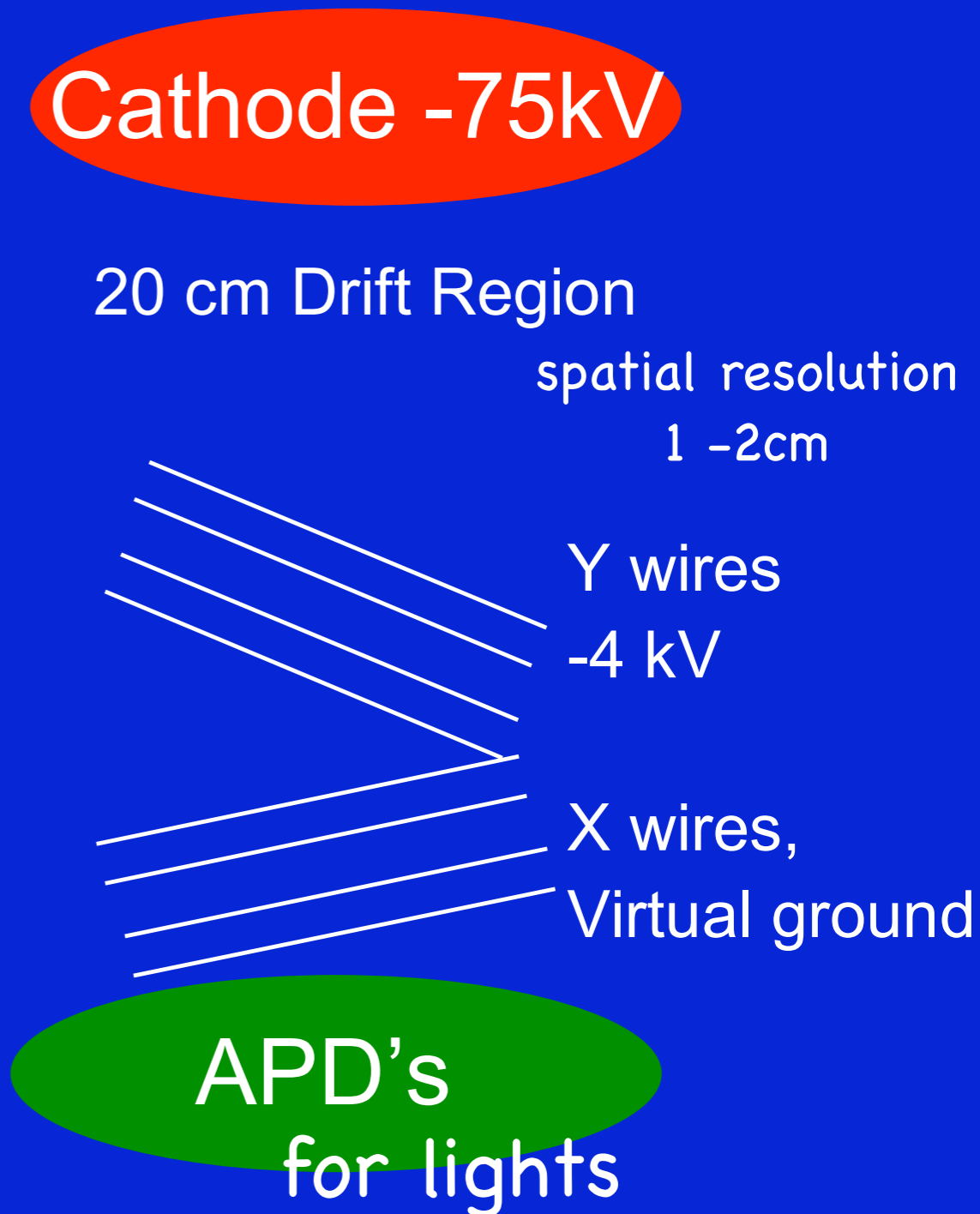


# Realistic Monte Carlo Geometry for Background Studies.



# Charge Detection

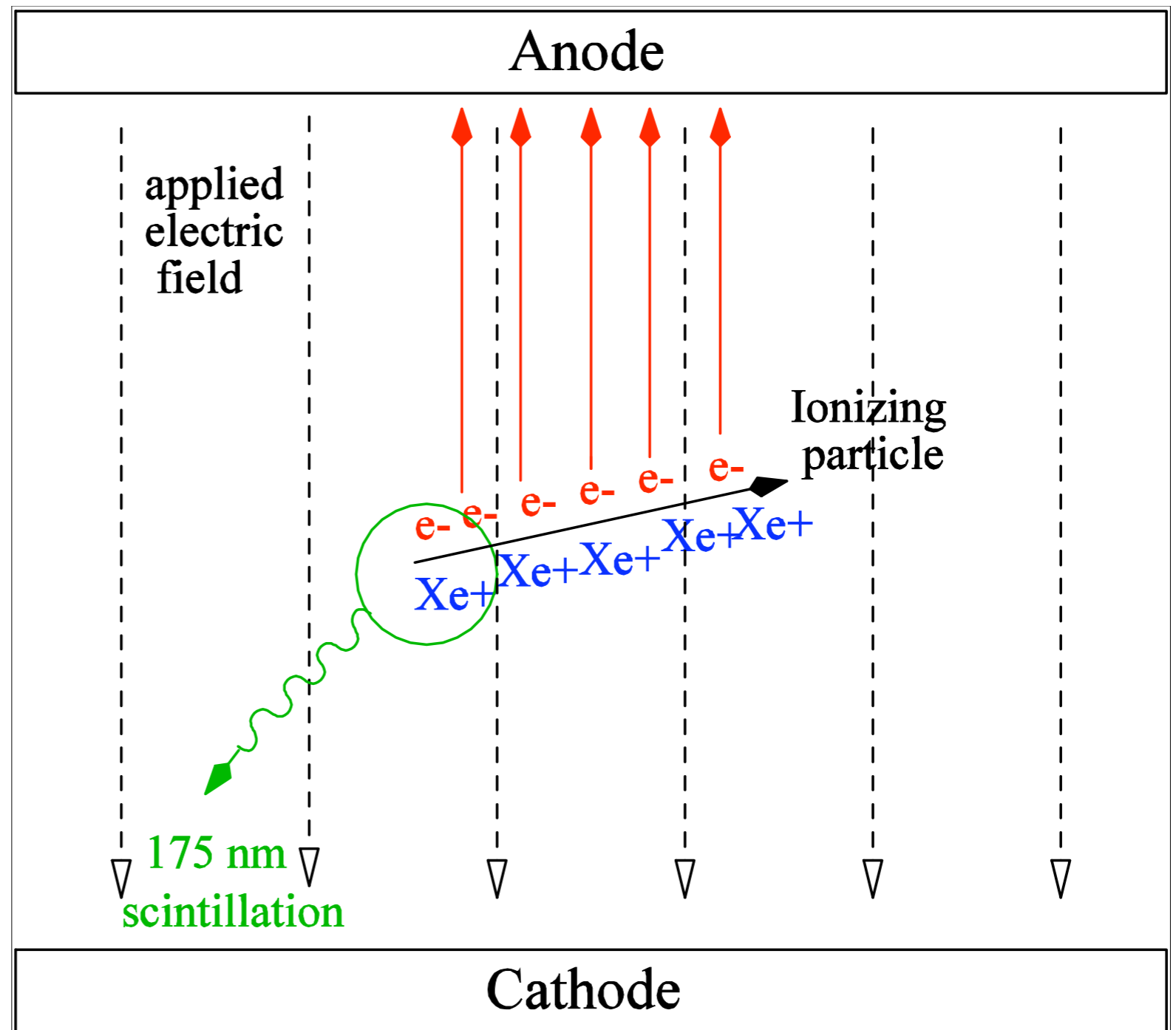
- Double-ended TPC chamber with ~20 cm drift regions
- Mid-plane cathode biased at -75 kV
- 38 Inductive “Y” wires per side at -4 kV, 100% charge transparent.
- 38 “X” wires at virtual ground to collect the charge.
- LXE electron mobility ~2000 cm<sup>2</sup>/(Vs)
- Saturation velocity ~ 0.28\*cm/μs
- Electron lifetime goal of 3ms => 2.4% loss at 20 cm.



# Xenon calorimetry

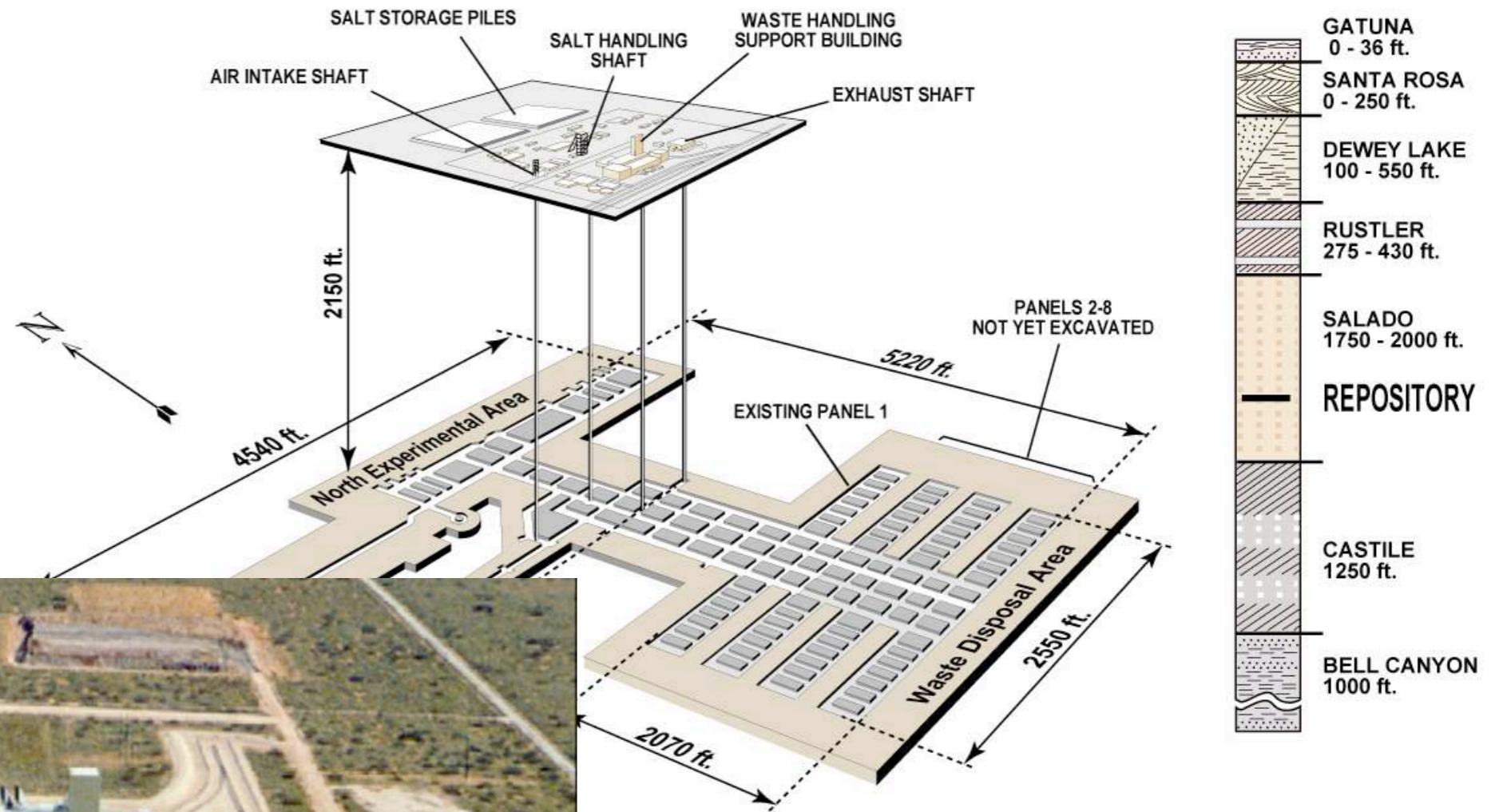
We measure the event energy by collecting the ionization on the anode and/or observing the scintillation.

As the electric field is increased, the collected ionization increases and the scintillation decreases.



# 200 kg prototype to be installed at DoE's WIPP, NM

shielding depth  
~2.5 km w.e.



A salt mine to store  
the military radioactive  
waste...

...and perform low  
background  
physics experiments

# An experimental facility for EXO

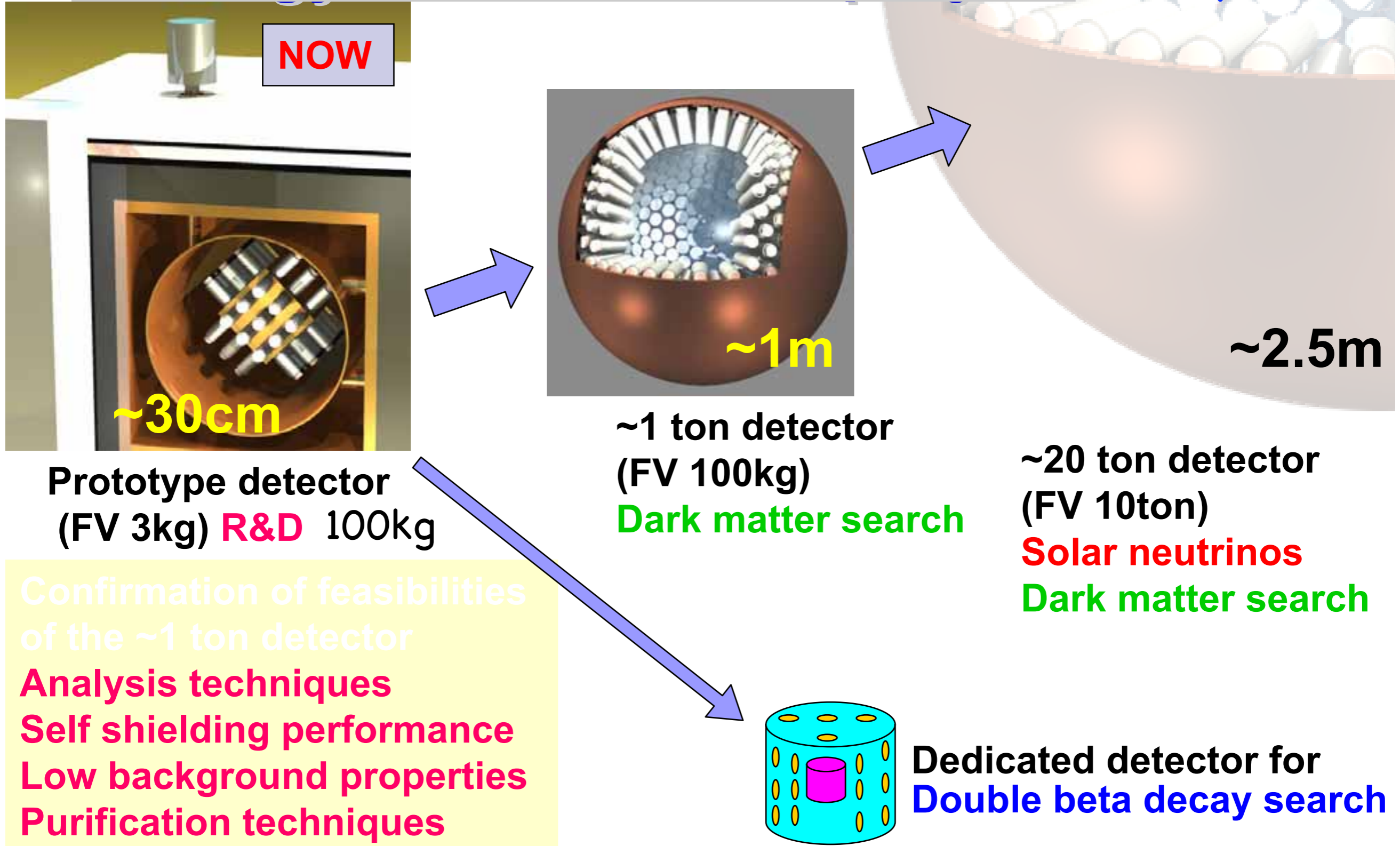


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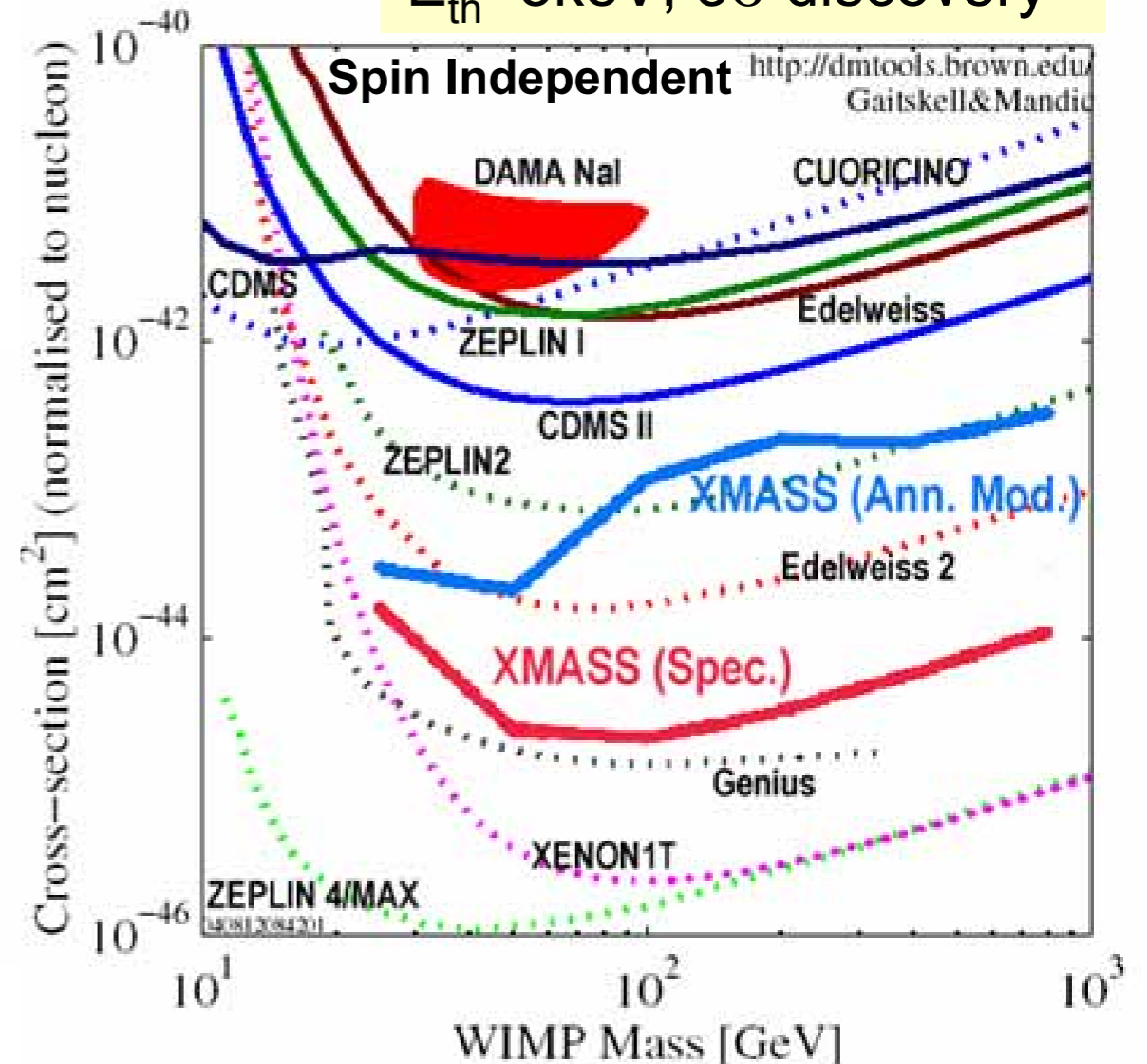
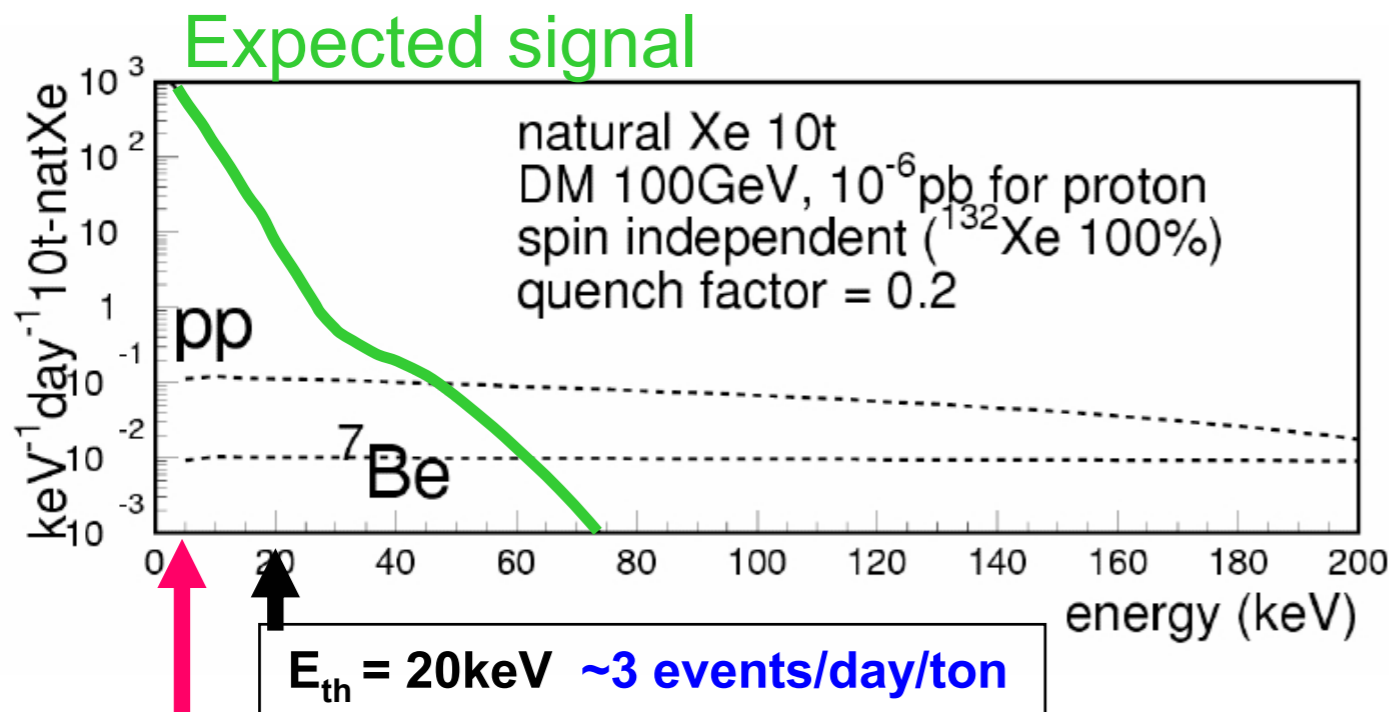
# Strategy of the XMASS project ; 1 phase



# Physics goals at XMASS

XMASS FV 0.5ton year  
 $E_{th}=5\text{keV}$ ,  $3\sigma$  discovery

Direct search via nuclear elastic scattering



$E_{th} = 5\text{keV} \sim 200 \text{ events/day/ton}$

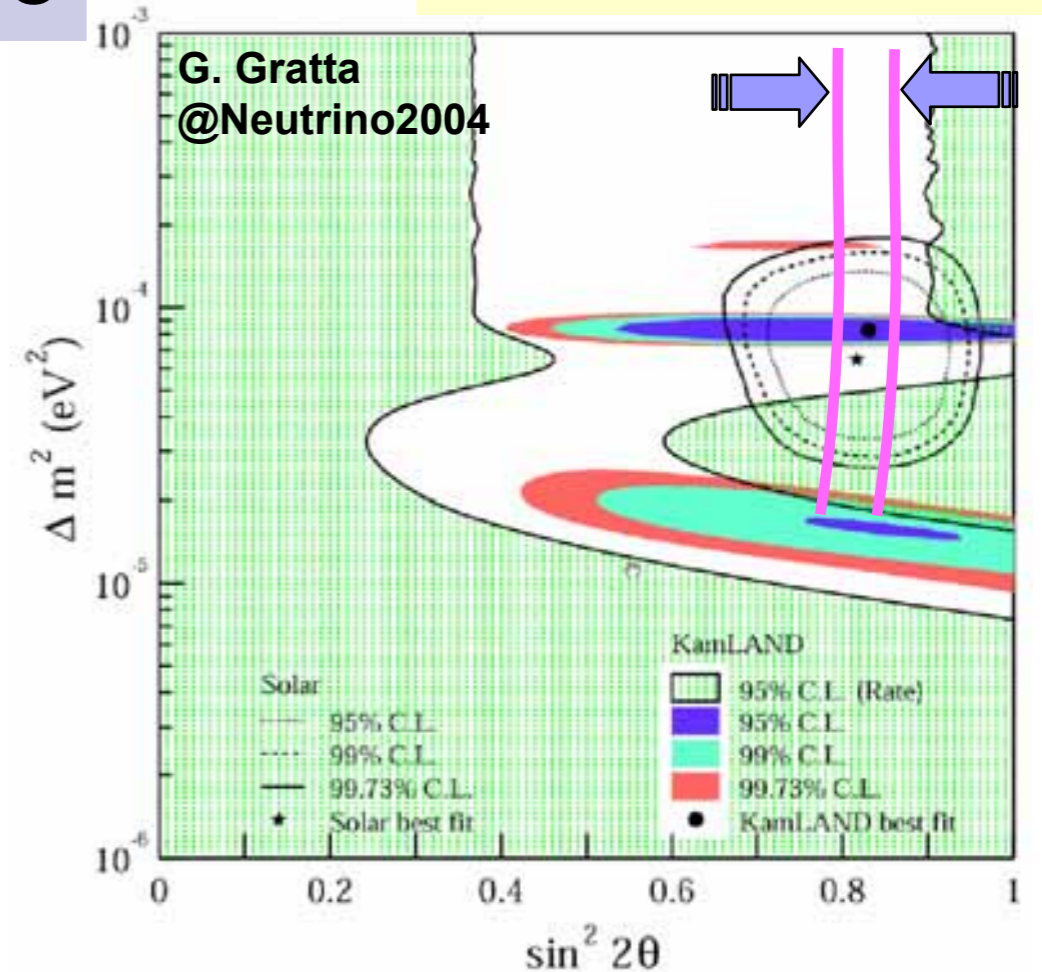
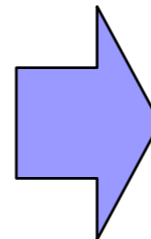
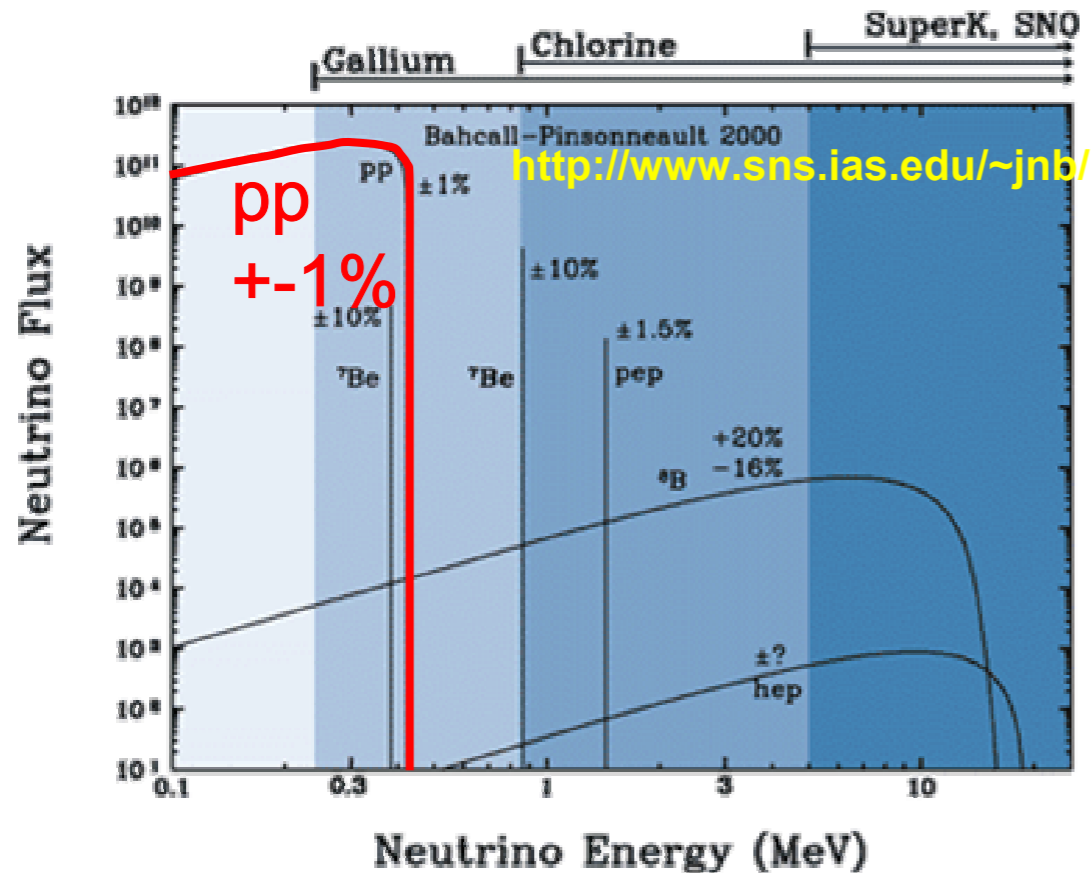
- Xenon MASSive Detector for Solar Neutrinos (pp/ $^7\text{Be}$ )
- **X**enon Detector for Weakly Interacting **MASS**ive Particles (Dark Matter Search)
- Xenon Neutrino MASS Detector (Double Beta Decay)



# Physics goals at XMASS

Measure  $pp \nu$  via  $\nu + e \rightarrow \nu + e$

XMASS FV 50 ton year (90%CL)



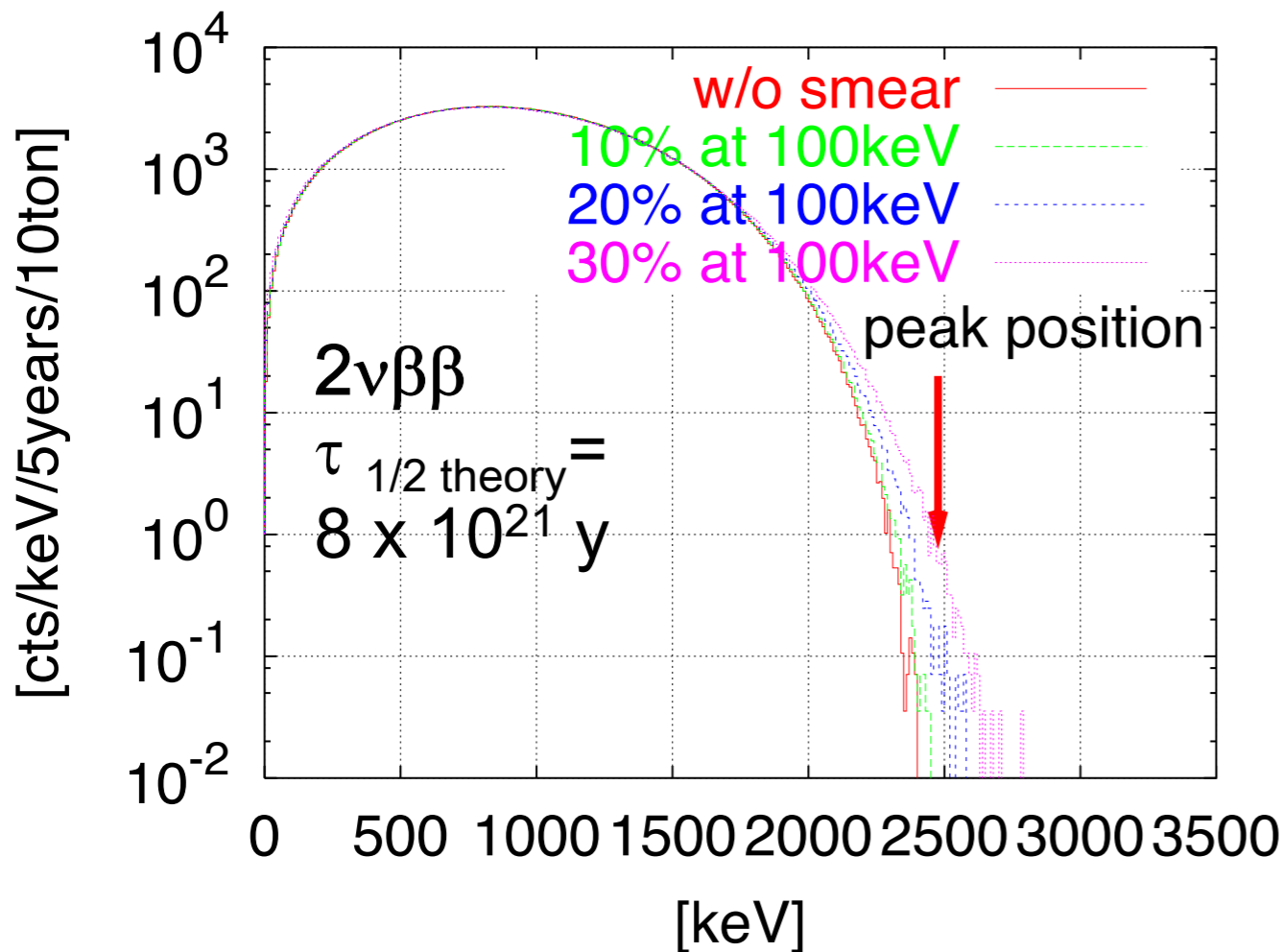
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2νββ life time should be measured  
Isotope separation would be needed

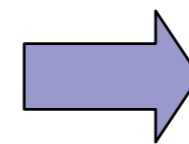
# Physics goals at XMASS



Q-Value: 2.48 MeV



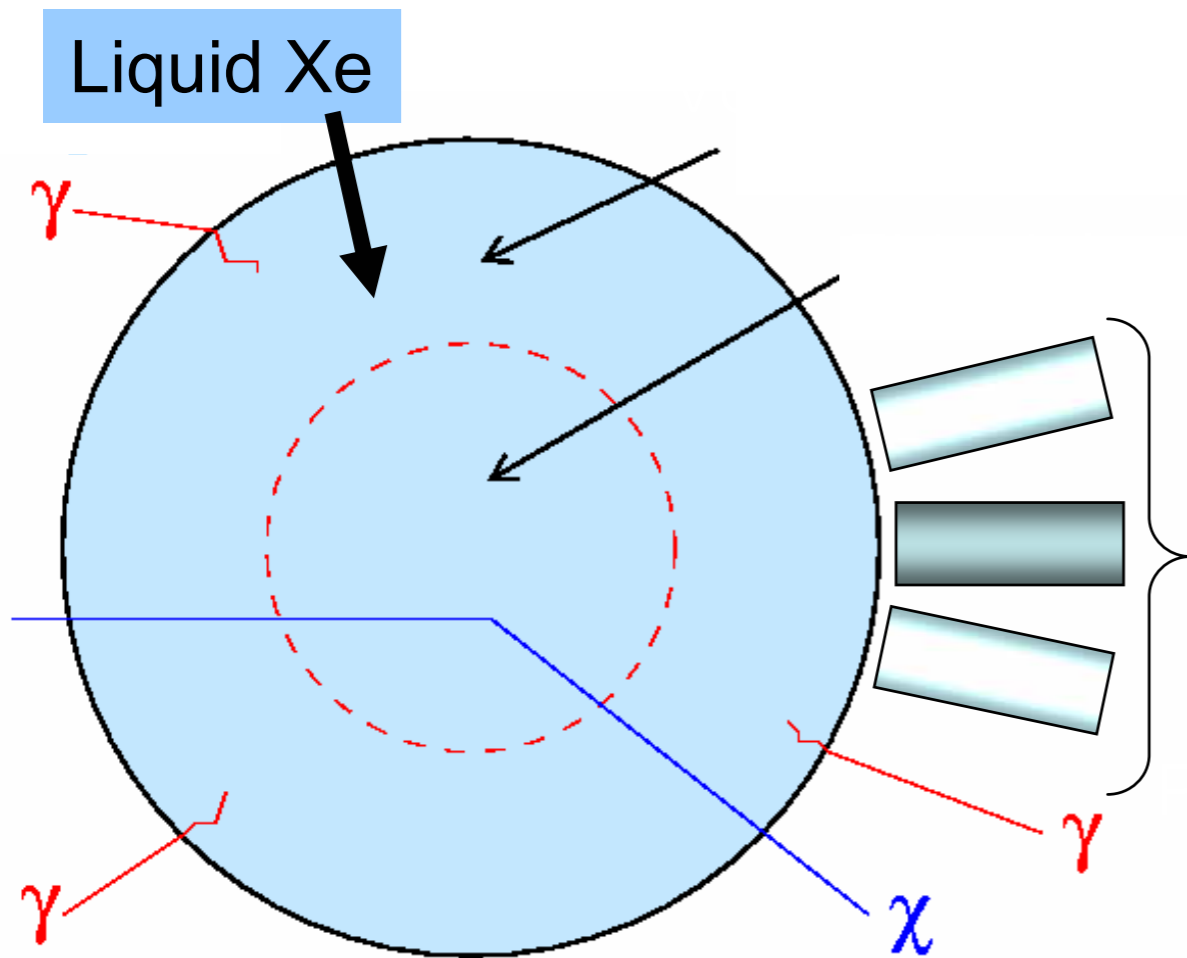
- Search for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  ( $2\nu\beta\beta$ ) decay of  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  (na 8.87%)
- High purity and enriched Xe can be used.
- Energy region is different from solar  $\nu$  / DM.
- PMTs should not be placed near the detector.



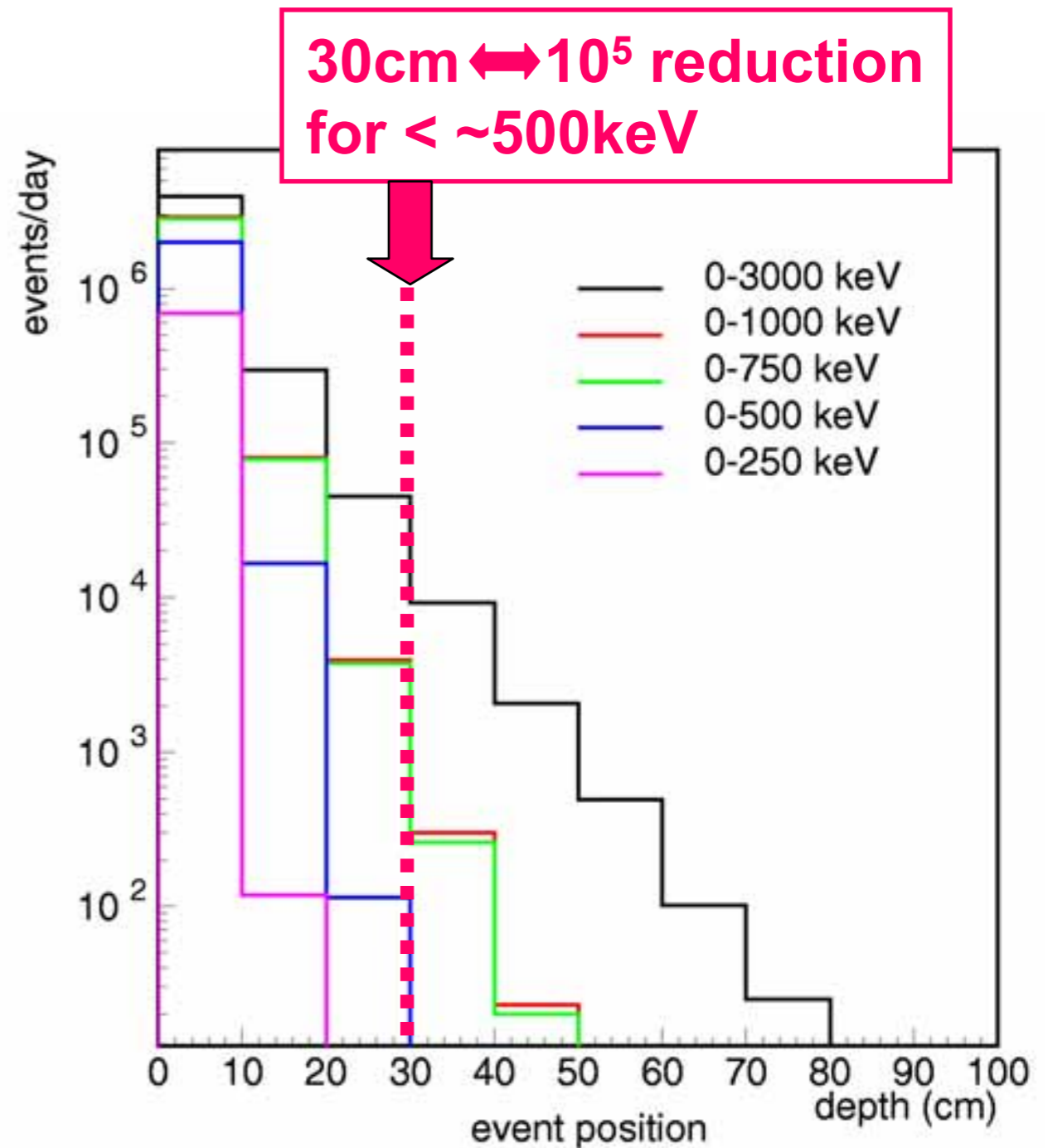
**Need another design of the detector!**  
(low priority, at moment...)

- Xenon Detector for weakly Interacting MASSive Particles (Dark Matter Search)
- **Xenon Neutrino MASS** Detector (Double Beta Decay)

# Self shielding



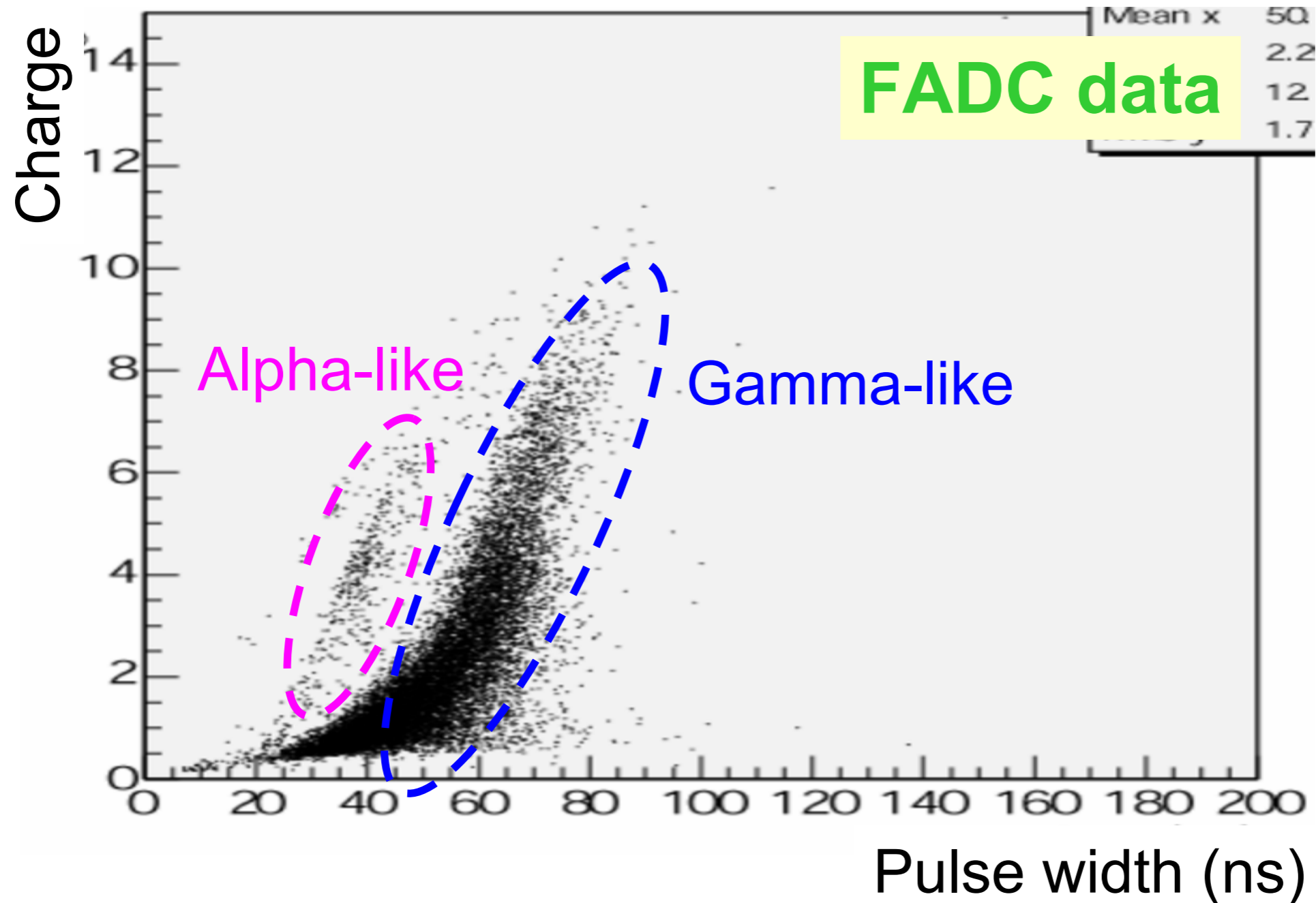
Reconstruct the vertex and energy based on PMTs information (light pattern)



- Quite effective for the events below  $\sim 500$  keV (**pp  $\nu$**  & **DM**)
- Not effective for **double beta decay** experiment

Aug.04 run  
Preliminary

# Alpha vs Gamma separation

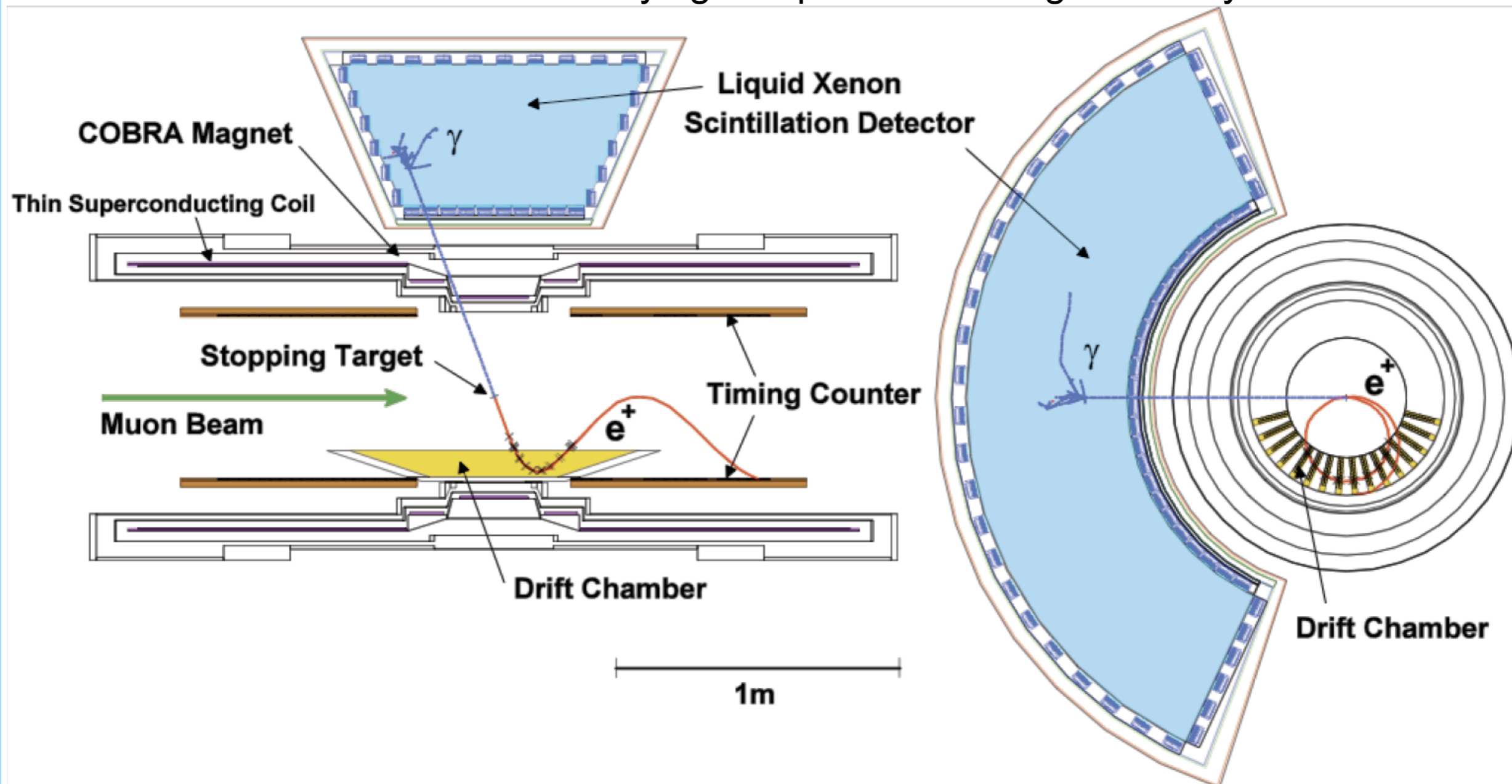


Alpha-gamma separation by using FADC wave form would be possible (under further investigation)

# MEG Detector ; 1 phase

<http://meg.web.psi.ch/>

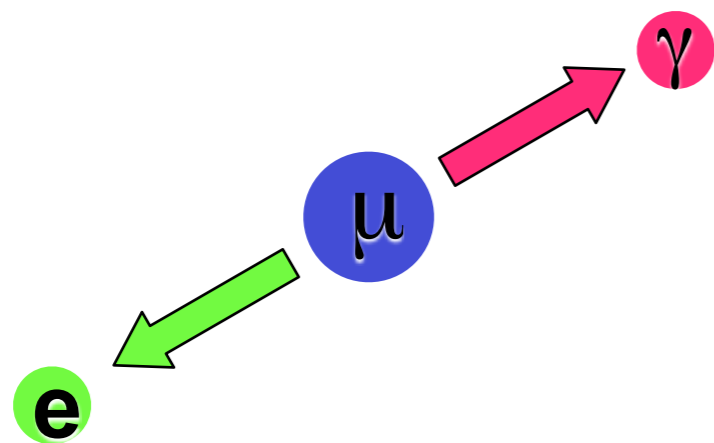
search for muons decaying into positrons and gamma rays



- 800~900 l liquid xenon
- 846 PMTs immersed in the liquid
- No segmentation

# Signal and Background

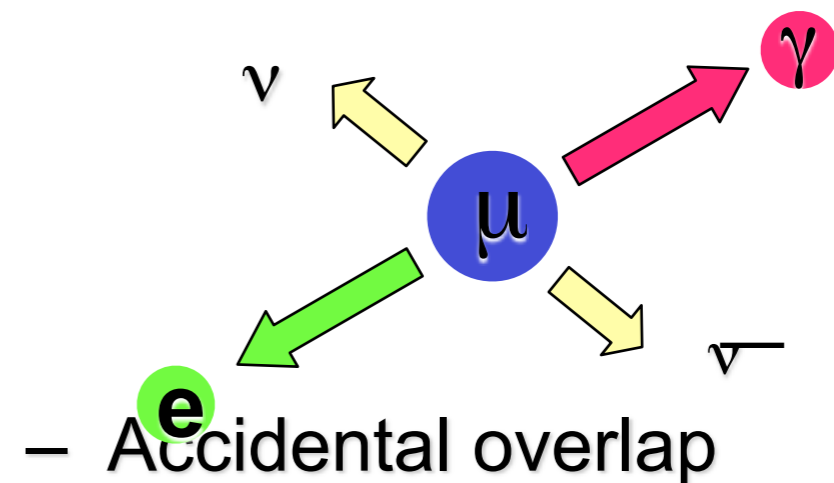
- Signal



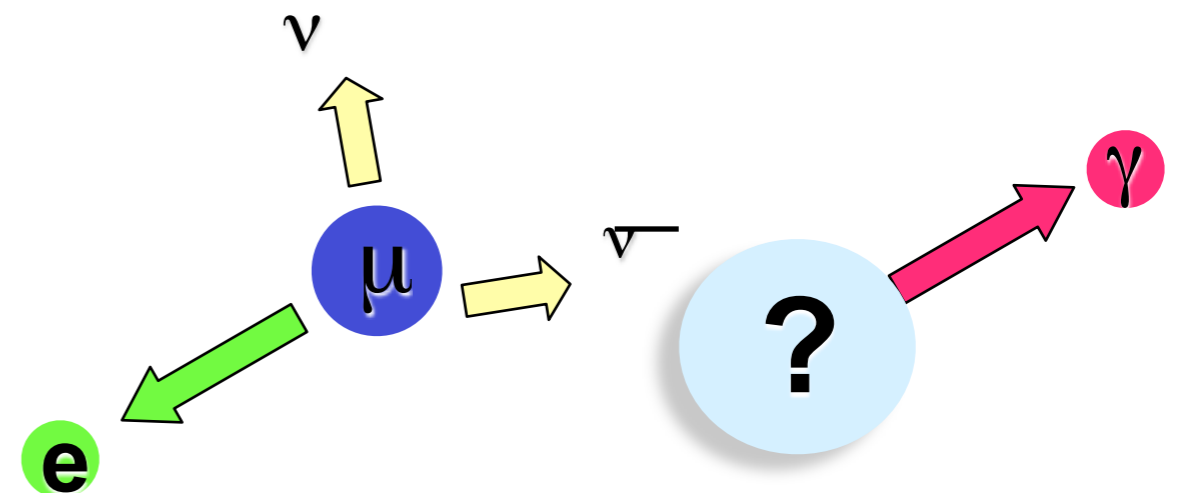
- $E_\gamma = m_\mu/2 = 52.8\text{MeV}$
- $E_e = m_\mu/2 = 52.8\text{MeV}$
- $\theta = 180^\circ$
- Time coincidence

- Background

- Radiative  $\mu$  decay

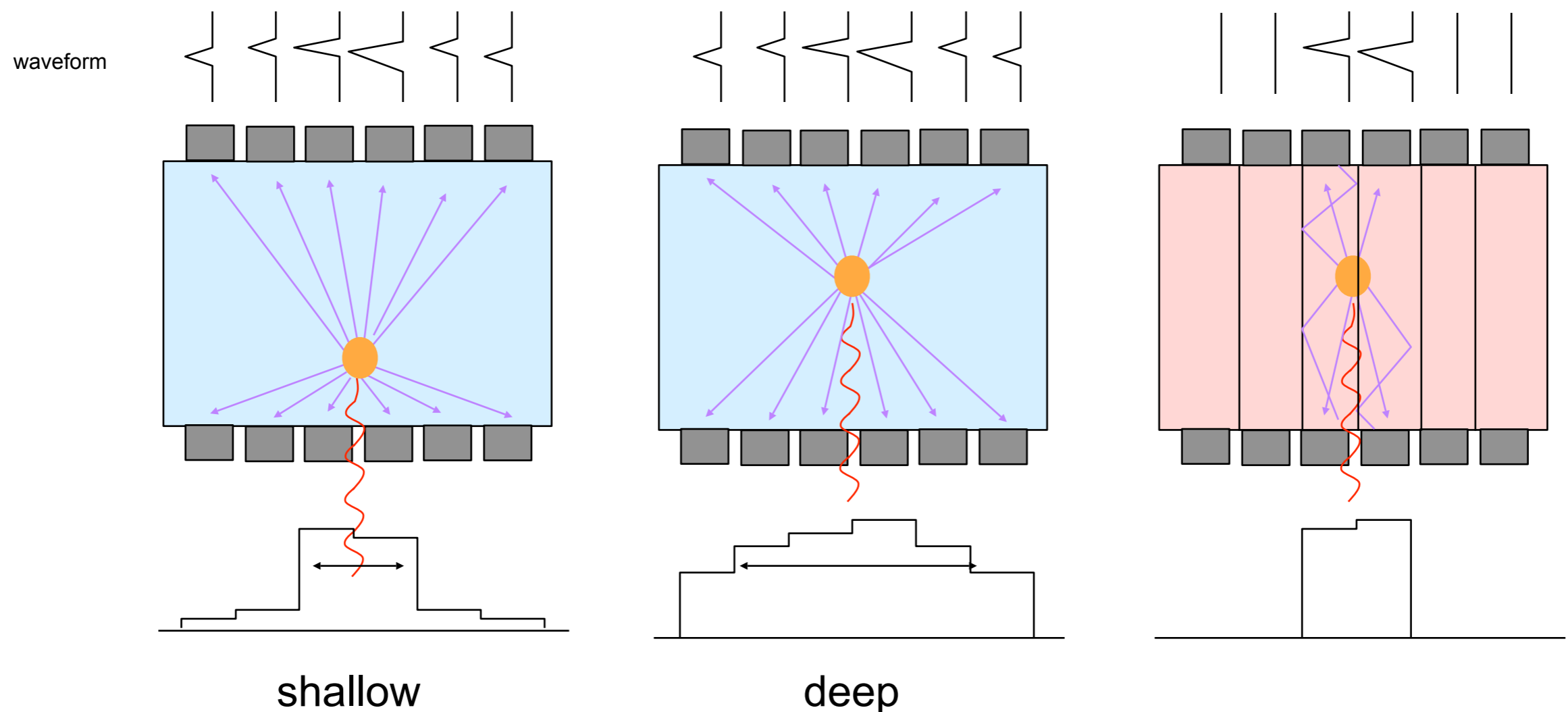


- Accidental overlap



# Depth Reconstruction

- Broadness of light distribution at the entrance side



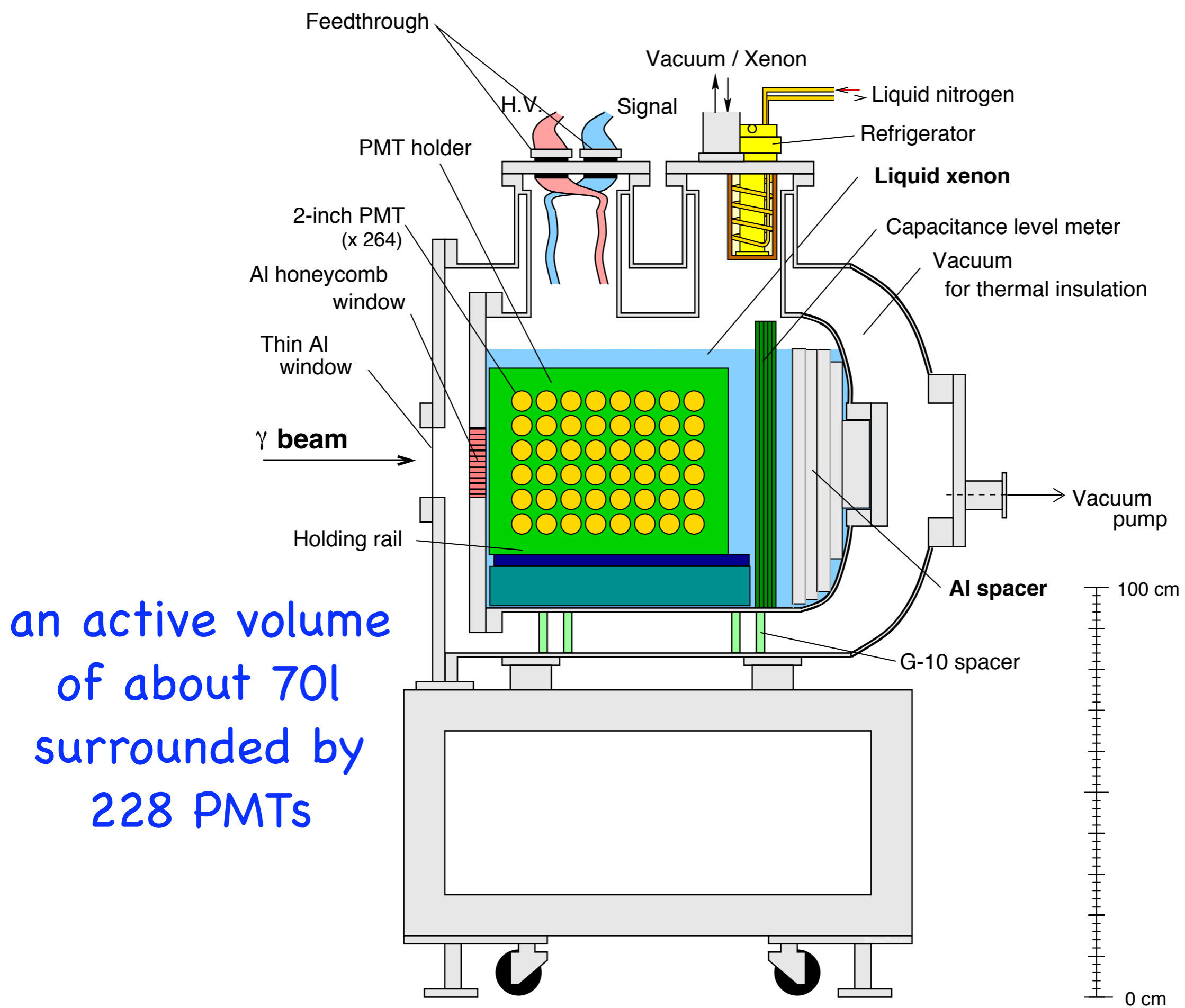


Fig. 1. Schematic view of the large prototype.



# LXe-GRIT ; 1 phase

2004

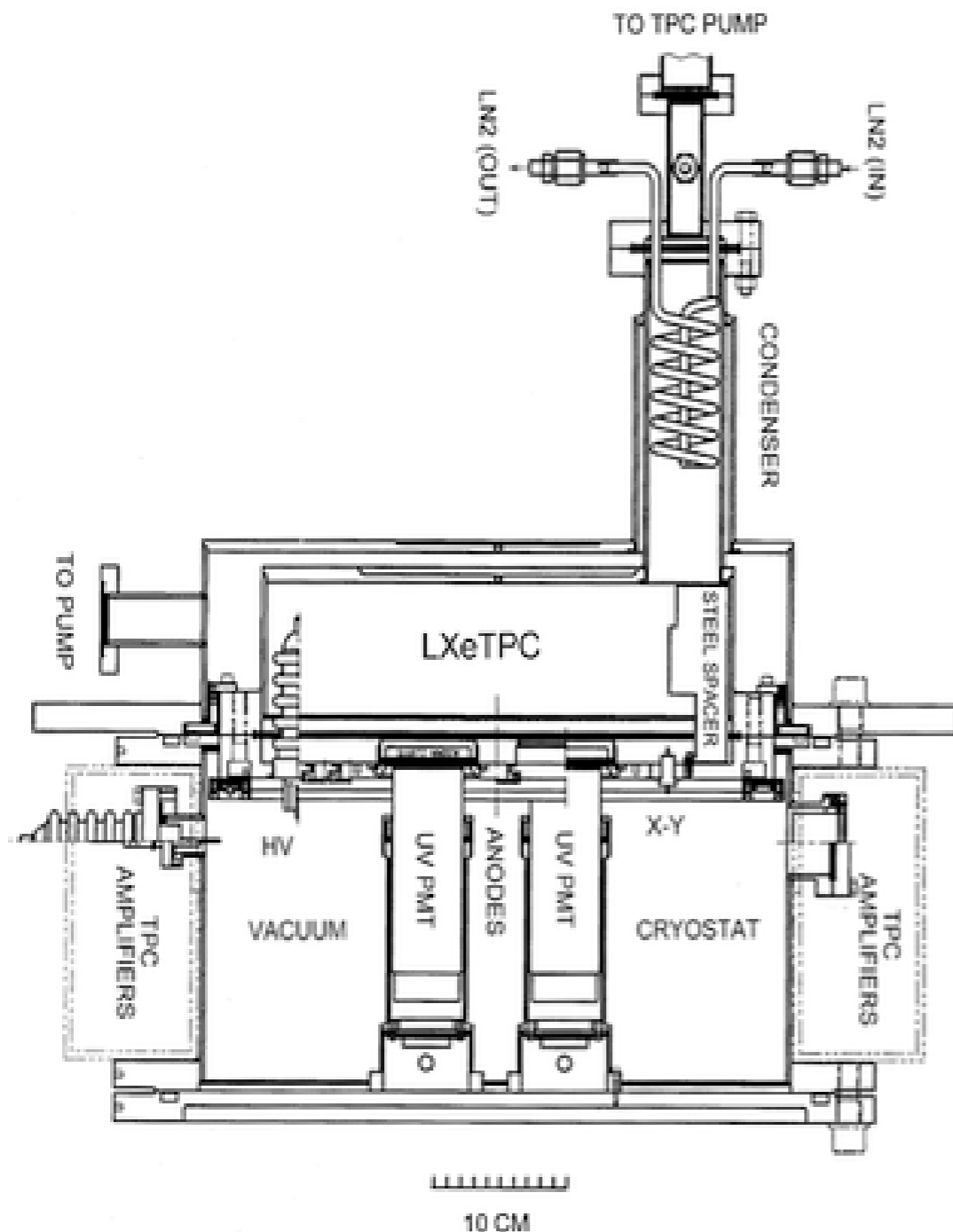
Columbia university - XENON collaboration

balloon flights(1997-2000) of the Liquid Xenon Gamma-Ray Imaging Telescope

$\gamma$  energy range = 0.511 - 70MeV (  $e^+$  -  $\pi^0$  )

LXeTPC ( prototype of Compton telescope ) with 7cm long drift

-direction of incident  $\gamma$  can be estimated by sequence of Compton scattering



LXeTPC :  $18.6 \times 18.6 \times 7 \text{ cm}^3$  ( 2.4 l )

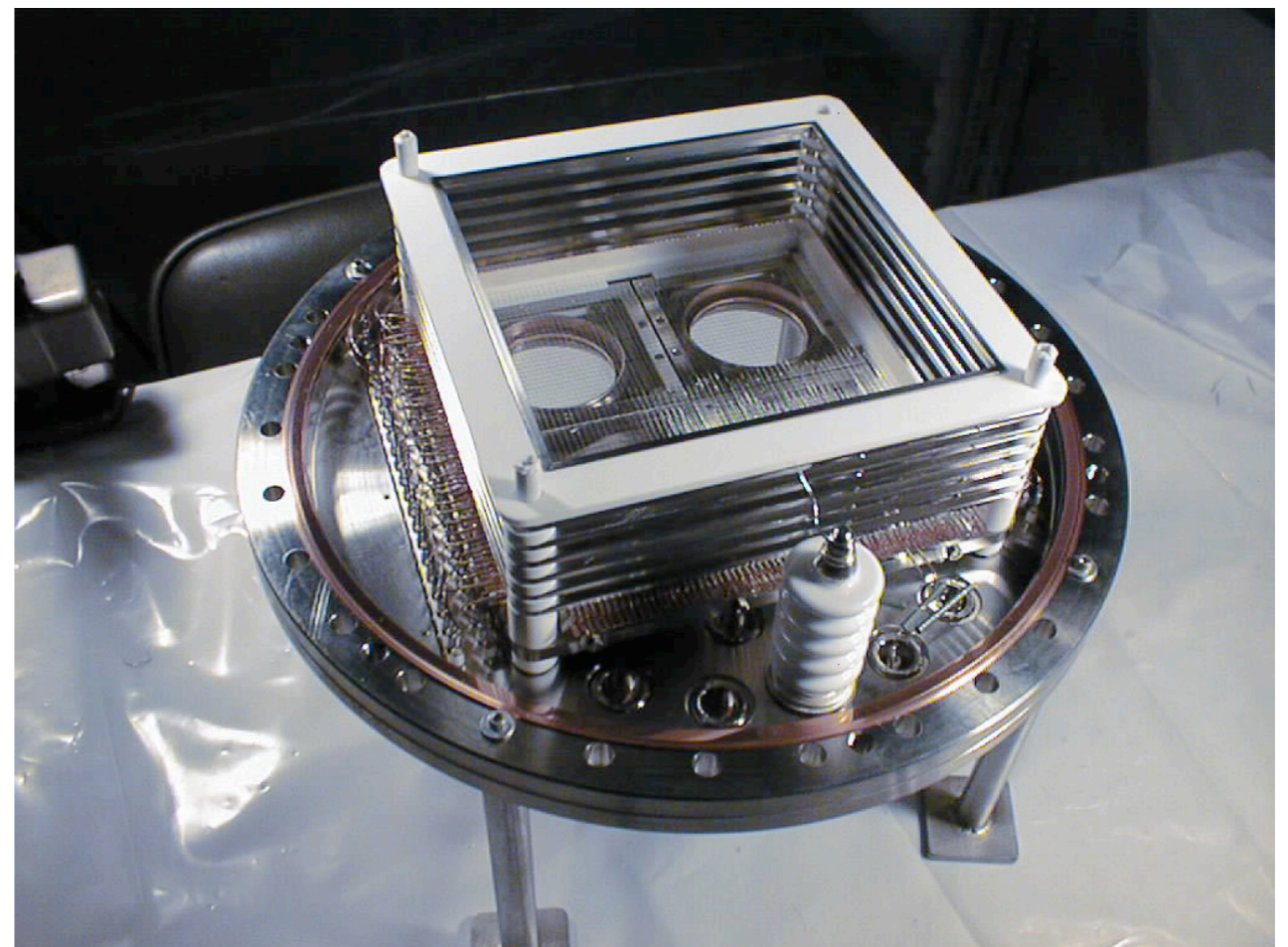
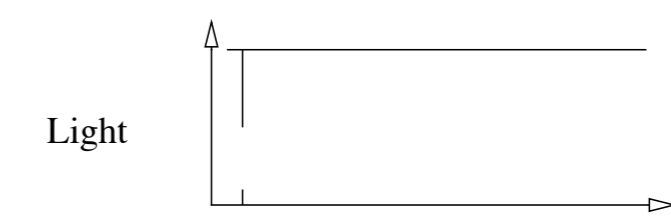
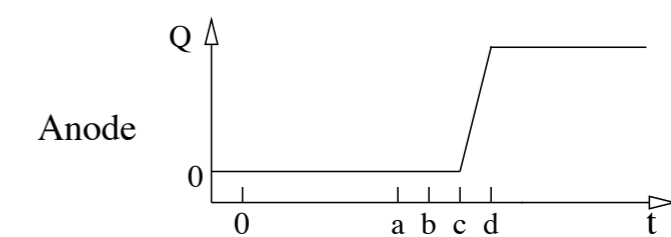
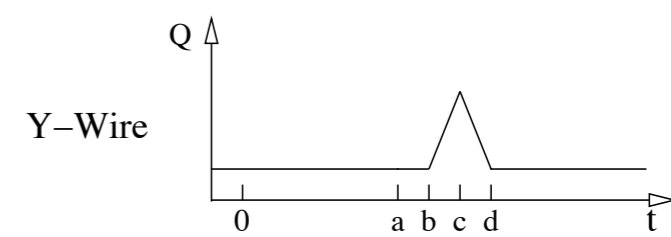
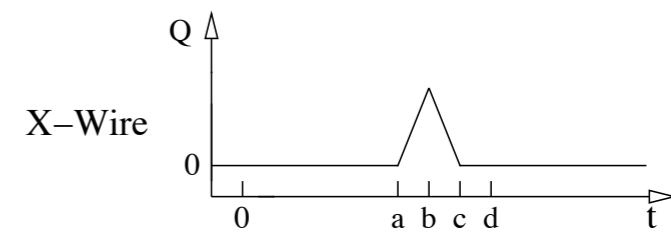
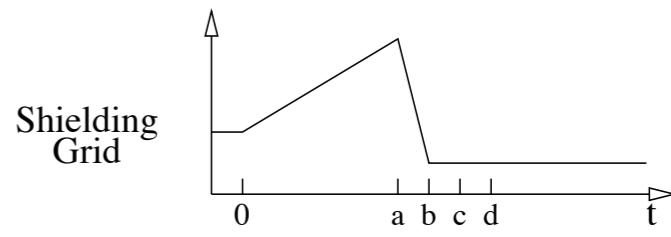
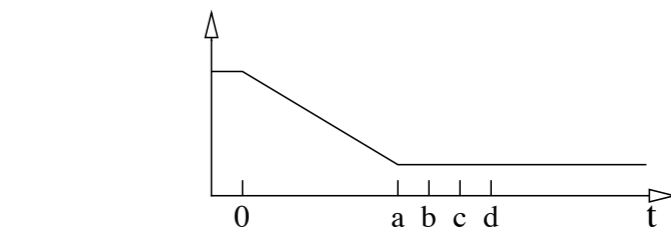
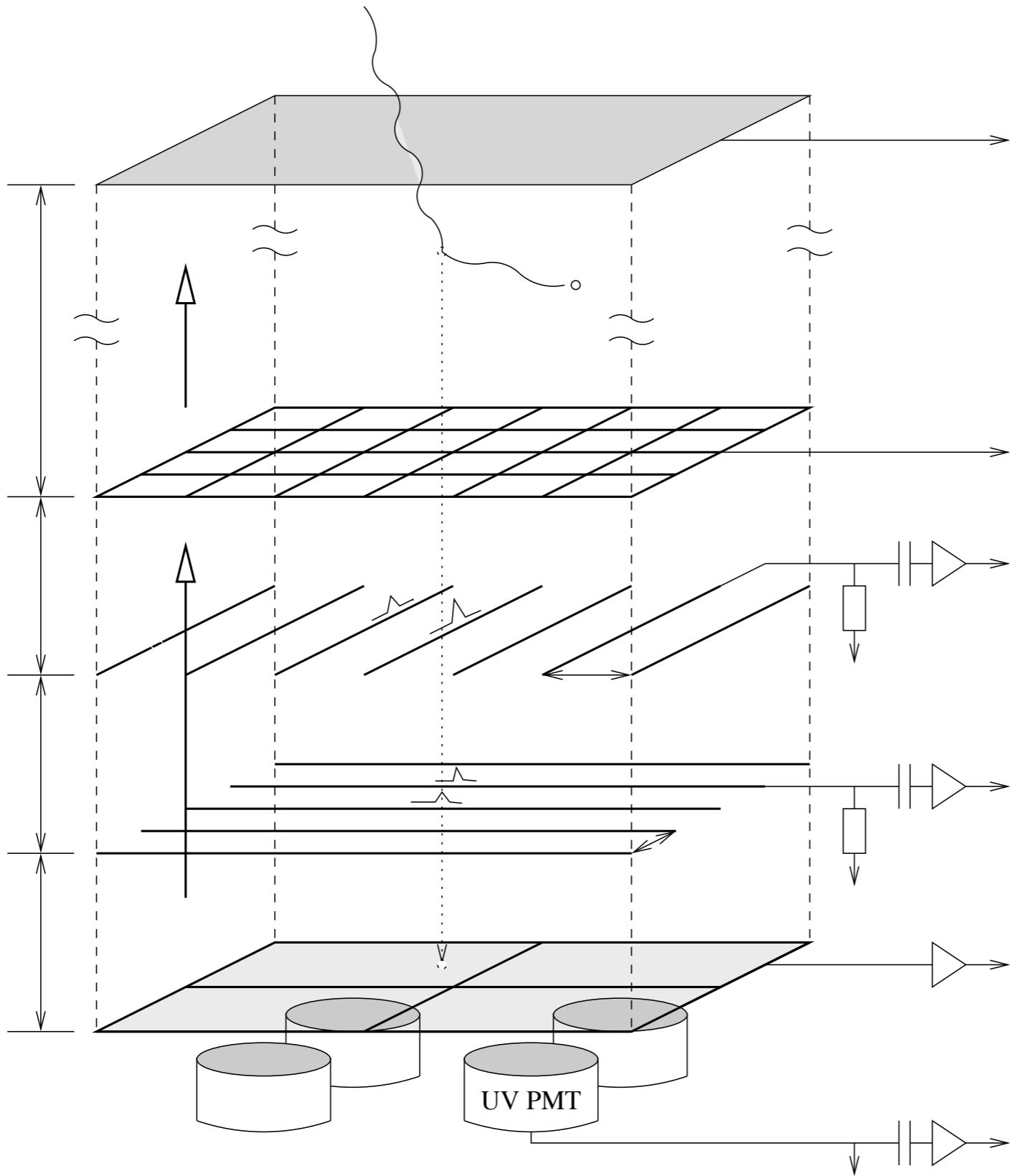
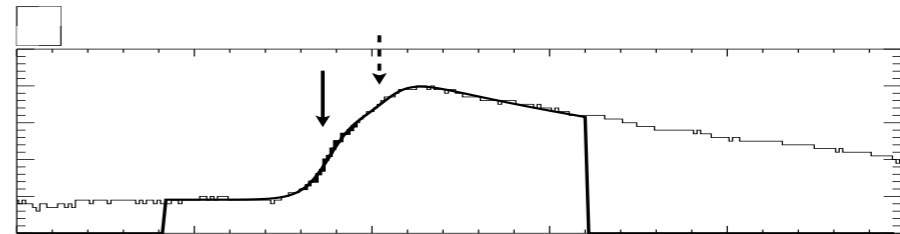
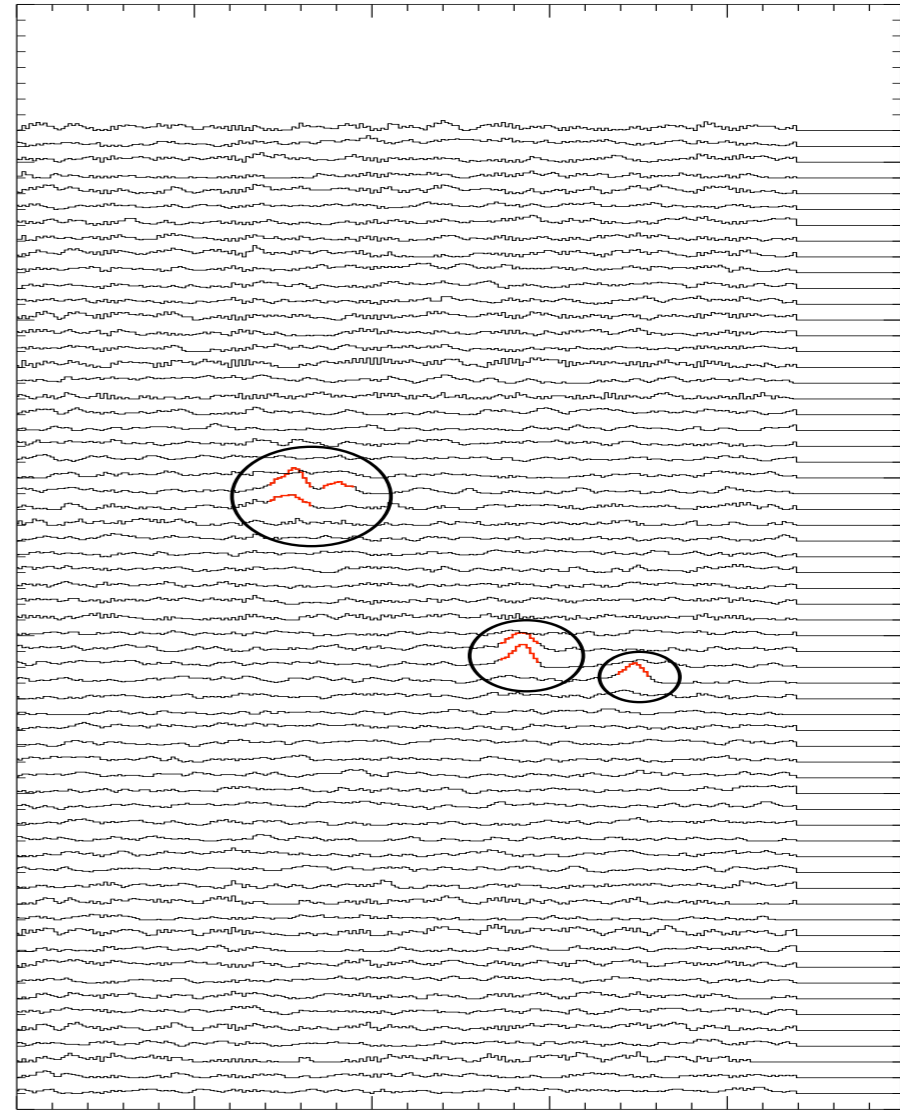
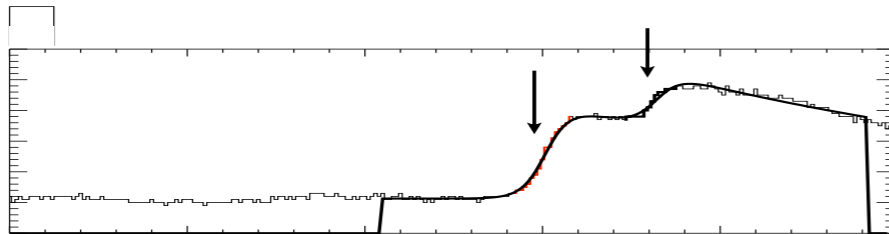
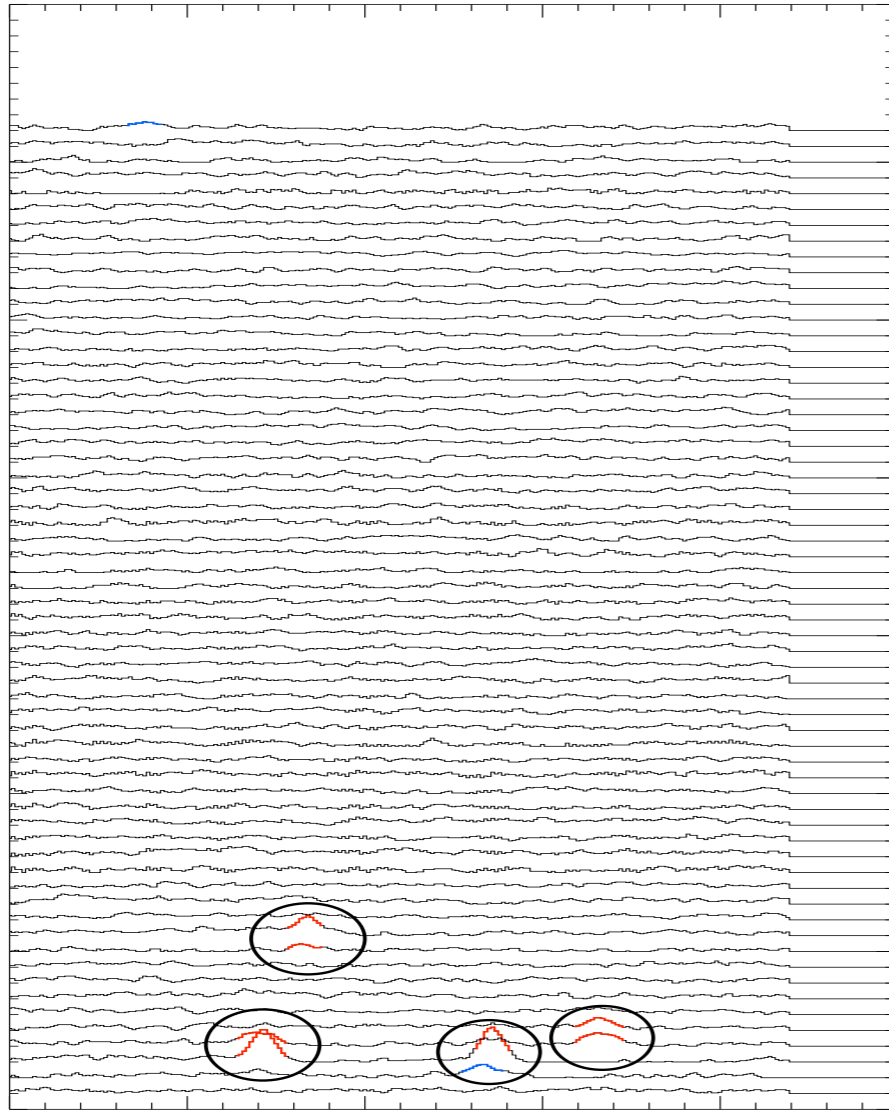
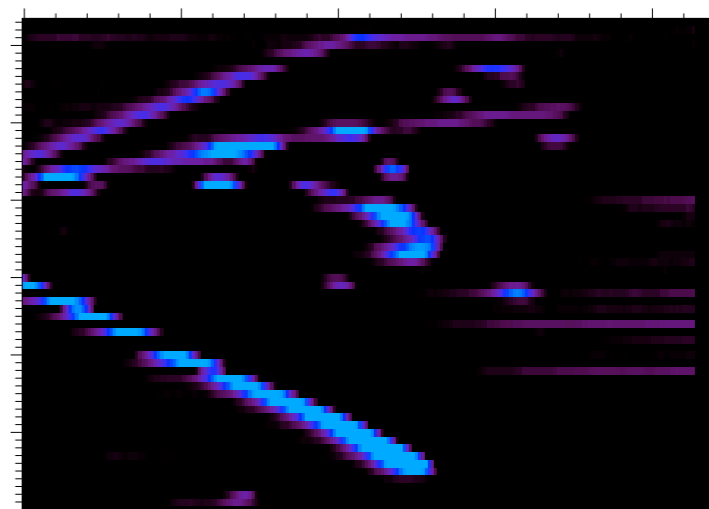
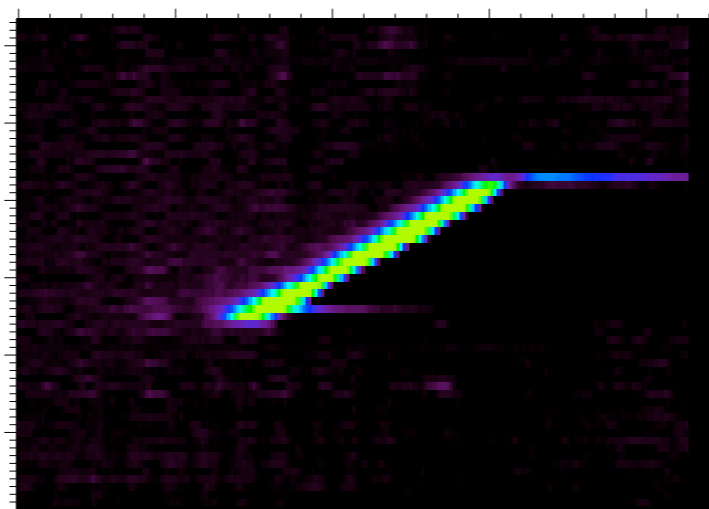
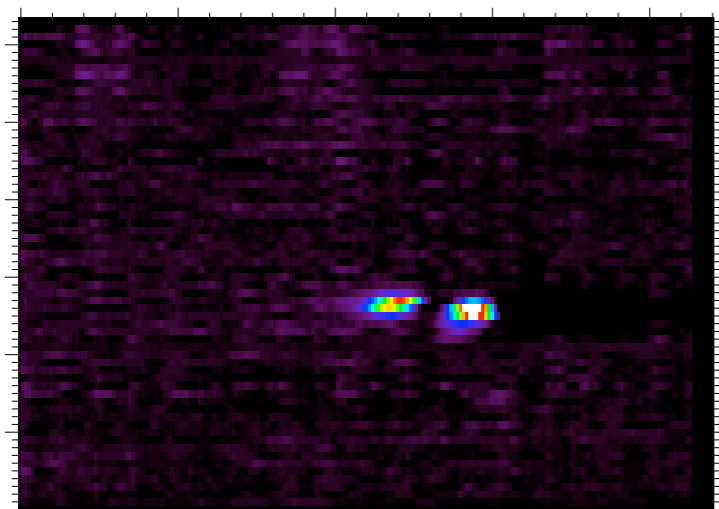
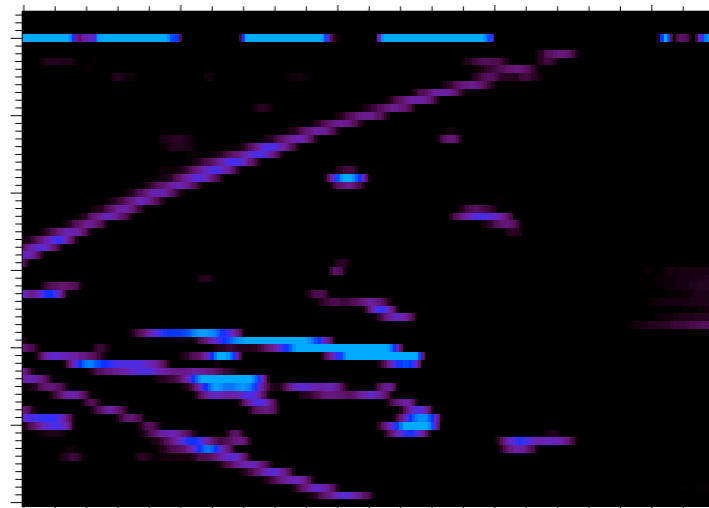
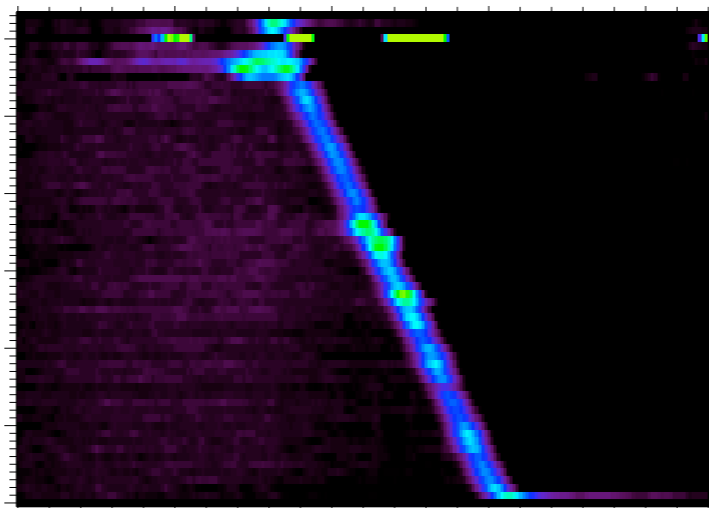
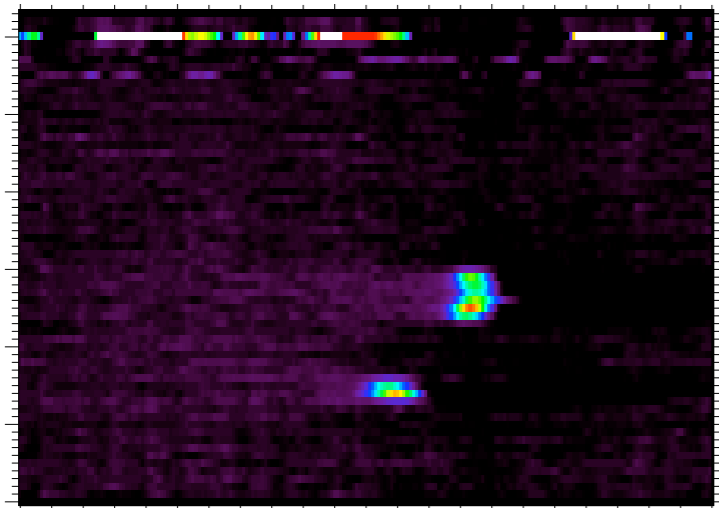


Figure 2.3: Top view of the LXeTPC with the field-shaping rings. The ceramic HV feedthrough is visible in the lower part of the picture.









# LXe TPC PET ; 1 phase

2005

Subatech, Ecole des Mines de Nantes, IN2P3- CNRS and Université de Nantes, France 1 Service de médecine nucléaire, Hôpital de Nantes, France

1x1x9 cm<sup>3</sup> cell ; a module of 24x60x9cm<sup>3</sup> 9cm drift  
24x60cm<sup>3</sup> anode plane segmented by 0.5x0.5mm<sup>2</sup> pads

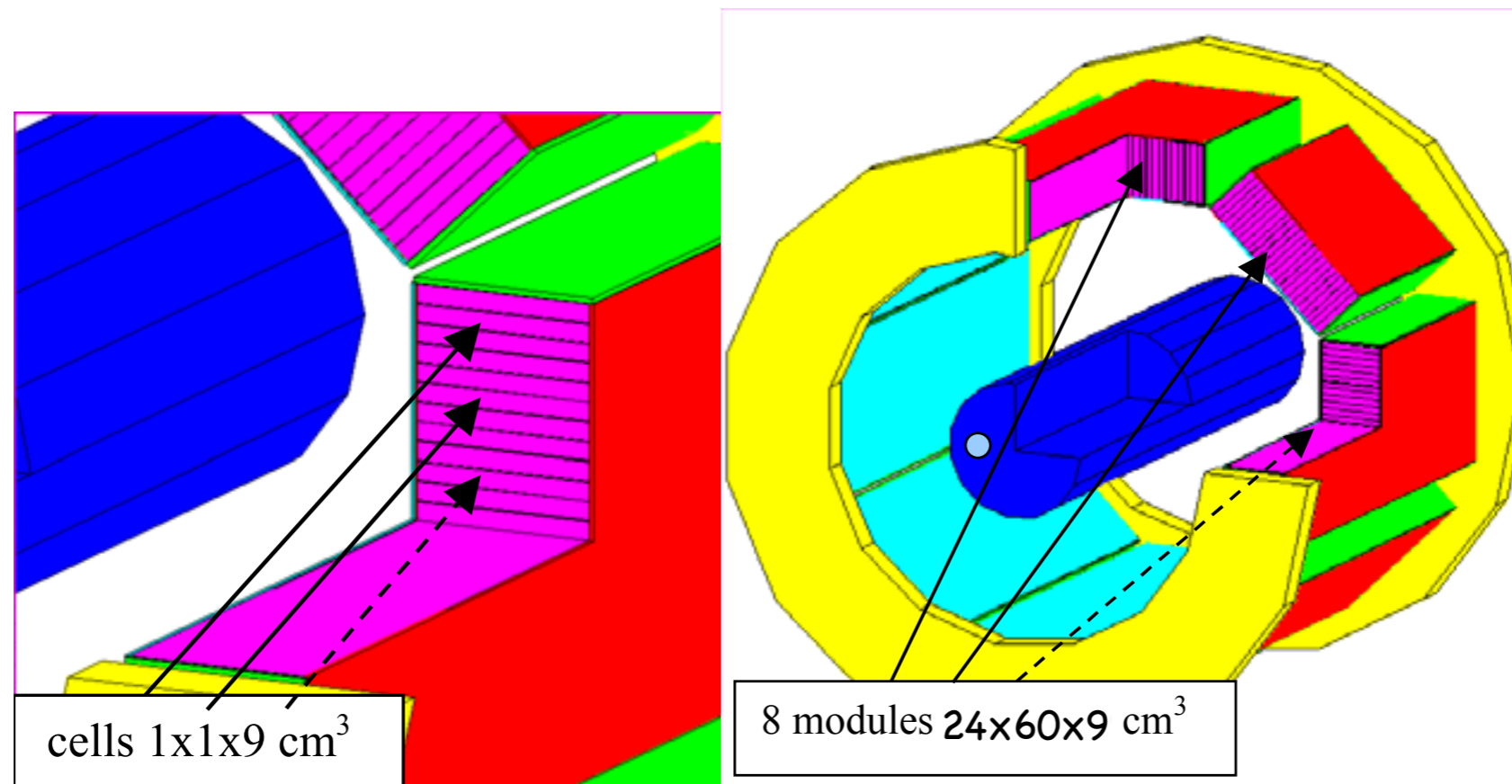


Fig. 1. GEANT3 simulation of a LXe PET camera with a NEMA NU 2-2001 phantom (right) and zoom on individual cells (left). The <sup>18</sup>F source is homogeneously distributed in a 3 mm diameter and 70 cm length cylinder positioned at (x=4.5 cm, y=0 cm) in the transverse field of view.

250, 250 and 140  $\mu\text{m}$  (FWHM) for x, y and z coordinates  
for  $\gamma$ -conversion point

PET camera	Activity (kBq/ml)	Sensitivity – Net Trues (cps/Bq/ml)	Spatial cut (spatial resolution FWHM) (mm)	Energy resolution (FWHM)
BGO	3	30	10 (~7)	26.7
LXe	0.4	190	3 (~1.7)	13.8

Table 1: Performances of the proposed LXe-TPC PET compared to a standard BGO PET camera.

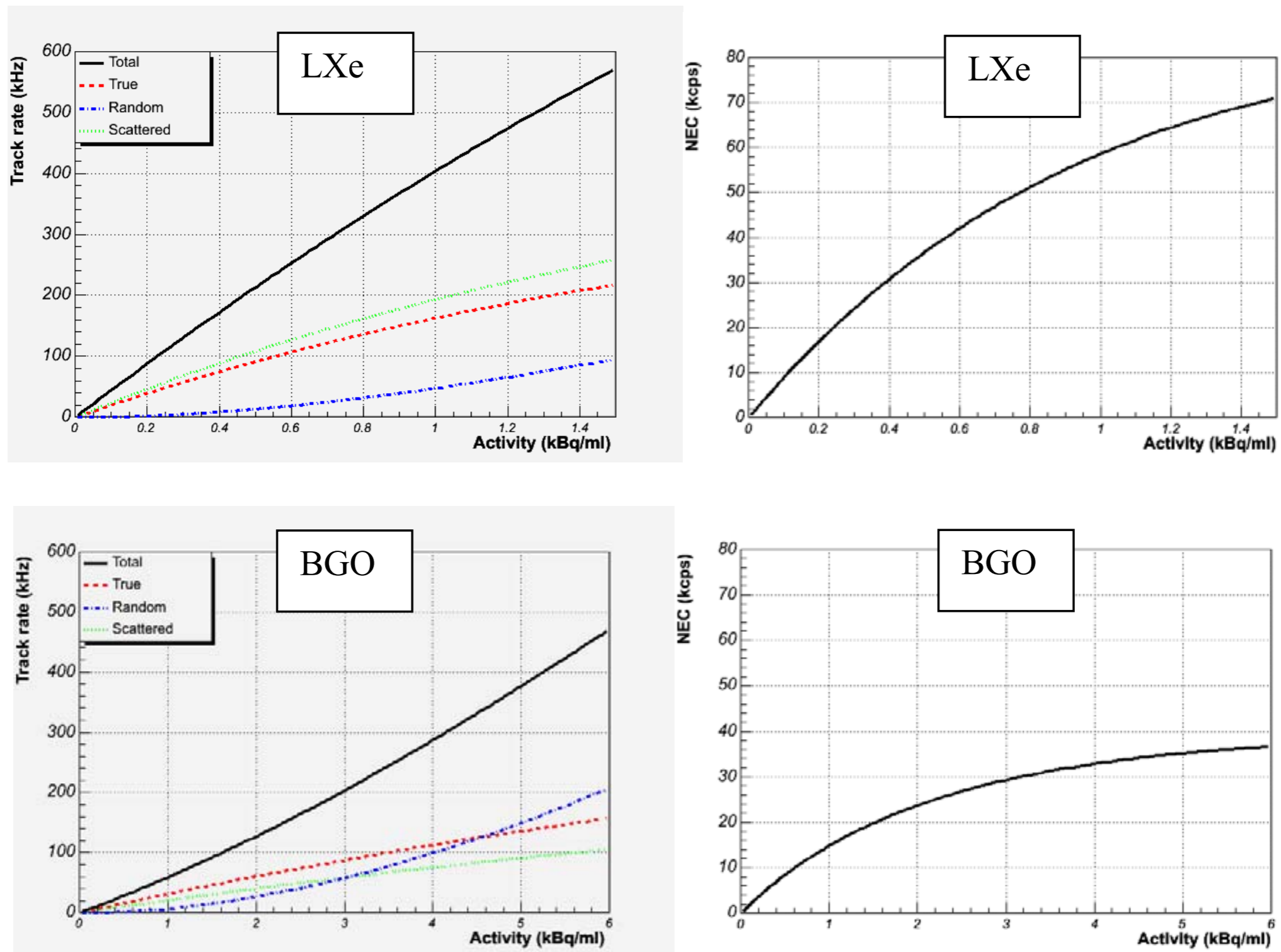


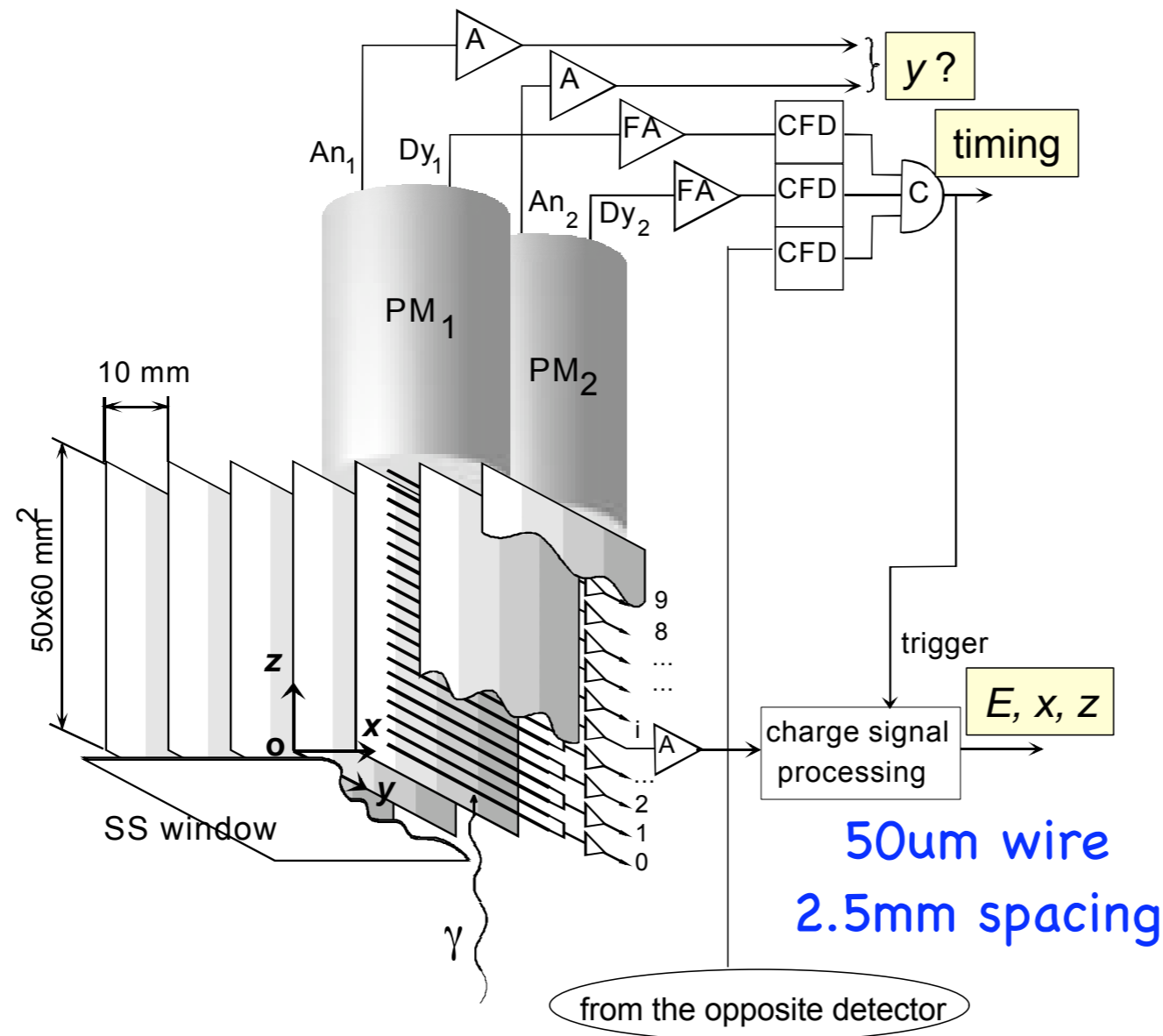
Fig. 5. Track rate for true, scattered and random events (left) and NEC (right) as a function of the activity concentration for the proposed LXe-TPC PET (top) and the standard BGO camera (bottom).

# PETYA ; 1 phase

2002

LIP-Coimbra and Department of Physics of the University of Coimbra,  
3004-516 Coimbra, Portugal

segmented drift chamber with PMT 1x5x6cm<sup>3</sup> cell ( LXe 6cm long )



2.2 μs max. collection time  
5mm drift

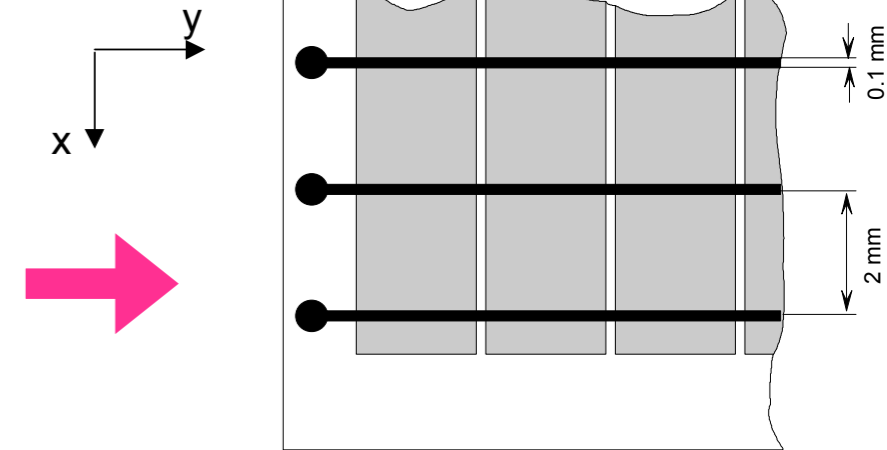


Figure 4. The mini-strip plate.

Figure 2. A schematic of the liquid xenon module for PET and its readout system.

800 μm, 800 μm, 2mm (FWHM) for x, y, z coordinates



Compare to the crystal, the reconstruction of the event topology is possible so that the first interaction in the detector can be found and its position used in the image reconstruction.

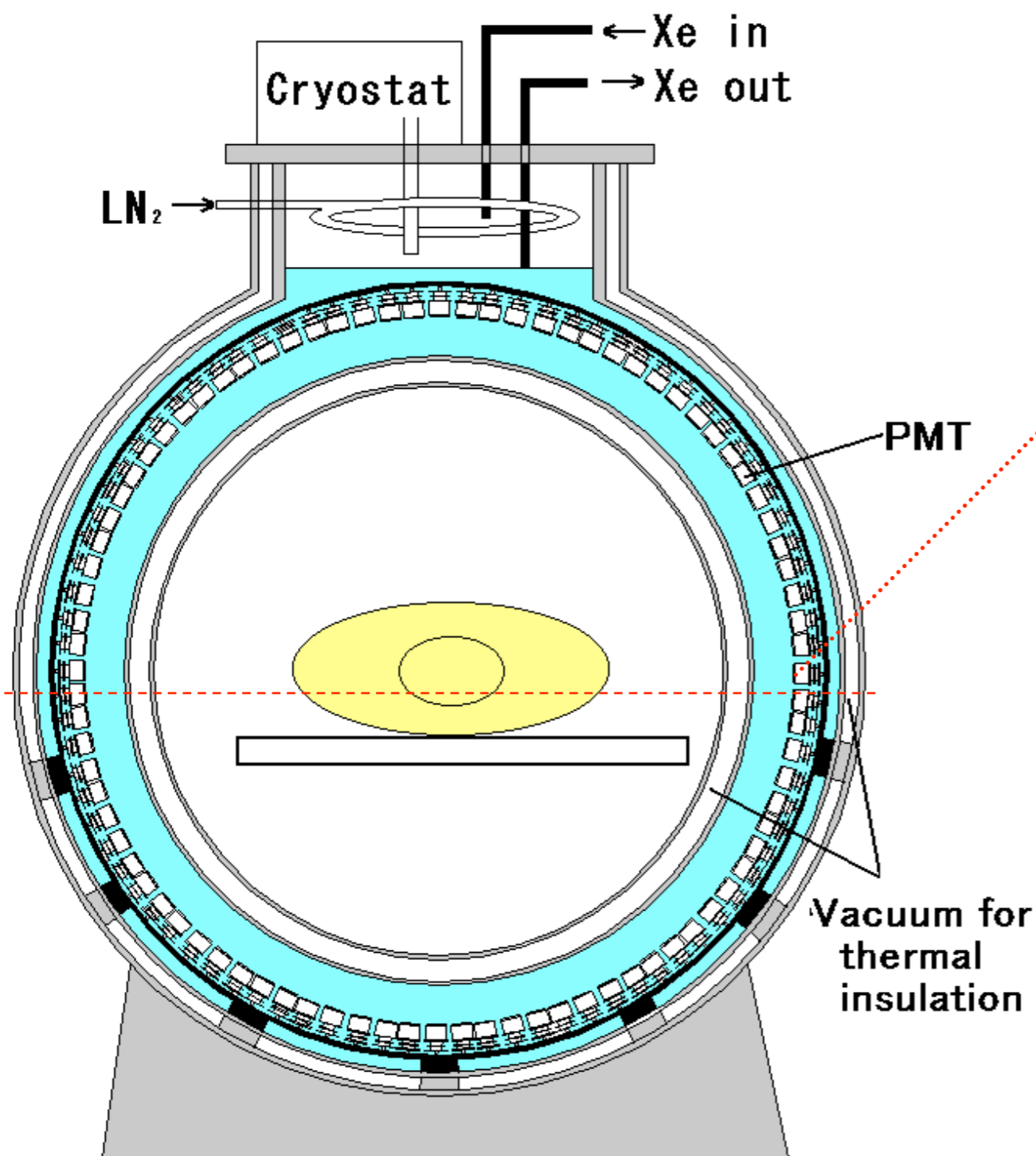
**Table 1.** Comparison of the liquid xenon detector with scintillation crystal systems

	PETYA	BGO block detector [20]	LSO block detector (CTI) [21]
Time resolution	1.3 ns	2 ns	1.5 ns
Position resolution	$0.8 \times 0.8 \text{ mm}^2$ (*)	$5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$	$2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$
Interaction depth resolution	2 to 5 mm	None	7.5 mm
Energy resolution	15% to 17%	20%	14% to 20% (**)
Efficiency	60%	80%	not quoted
Dead time	$50 \mu\text{s} \cdot \text{cm}^2$	$25 \mu\text{s} \cdot \text{cm}^2$	not quoted

\*  $\Delta x \times \Delta y$ ;  $\Delta x$  - from the drift time measurement;  $\Delta y$  – obtained with the center of gravity method with the mini-strip plate (extrapolated from the measurements with  $\alpha$ -source and convoluted with the photoelectron range)

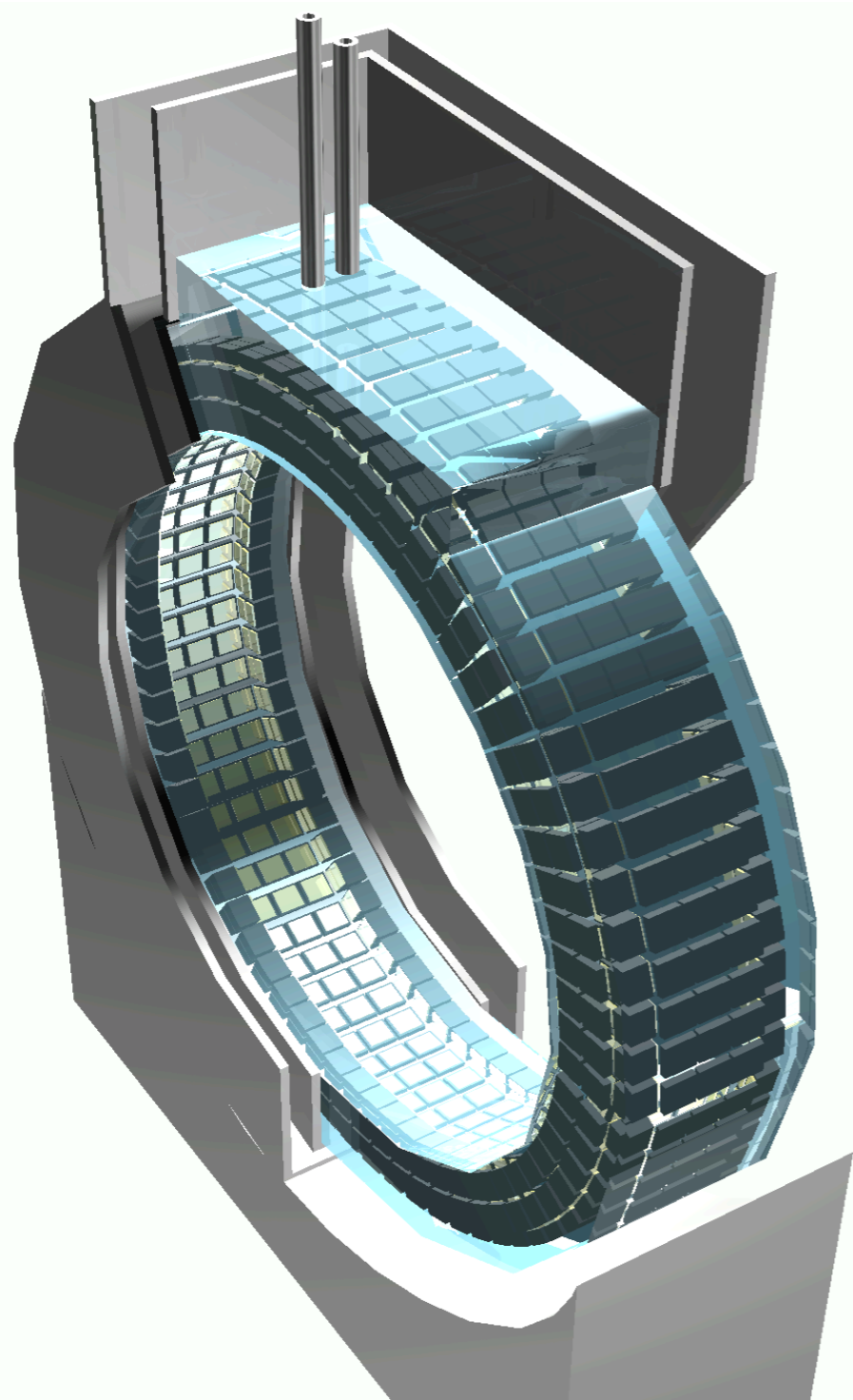
\*\* for a single crystal

# 液体キセノンTOF-PET装置



Ring diameter	80cm
Depth of sensitive region	6cm
Axial length of sensitive region	9-24cm

# 再構成画像による評価

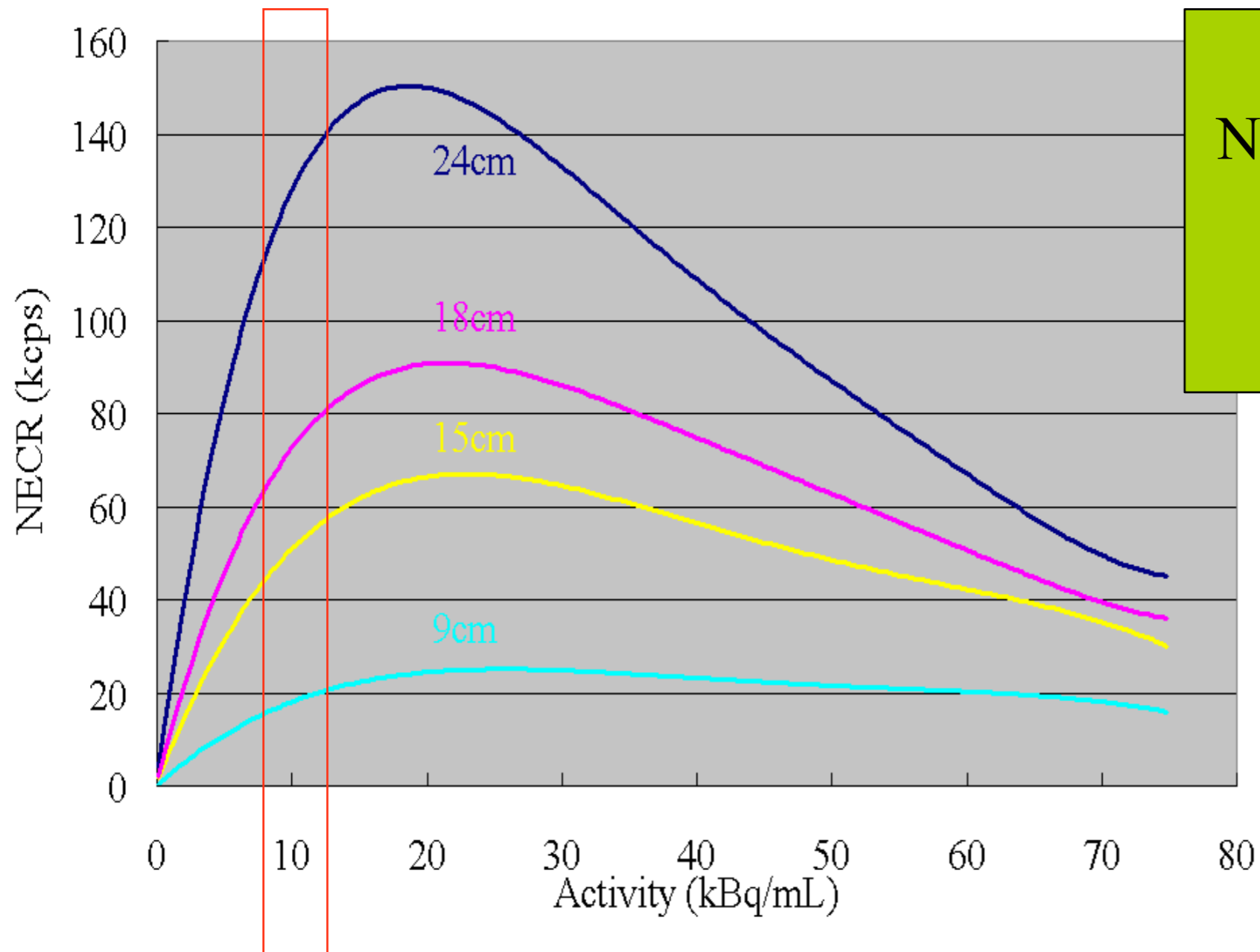


実機を想定したリング型の検出器を仮定してシミュレーションを行い、現段階のプロトタイプ実験で得られている基本特性で、画像を再構成した場合に液体**XePET**がどの程度の性能を発揮するのかを評価する。

- ポイントソースを使った分解能評価。
- TOF**を使った再構成画像と通常の再構成を行った場合の比較評価。

全身用液体XePETイメージ図

# NECR



$$NECR = \frac{T^2}{T+S+R}$$

T: 真の同時計数イベント  
S: 散乱同時計数イベント  
R: 偶発同時計数イベント

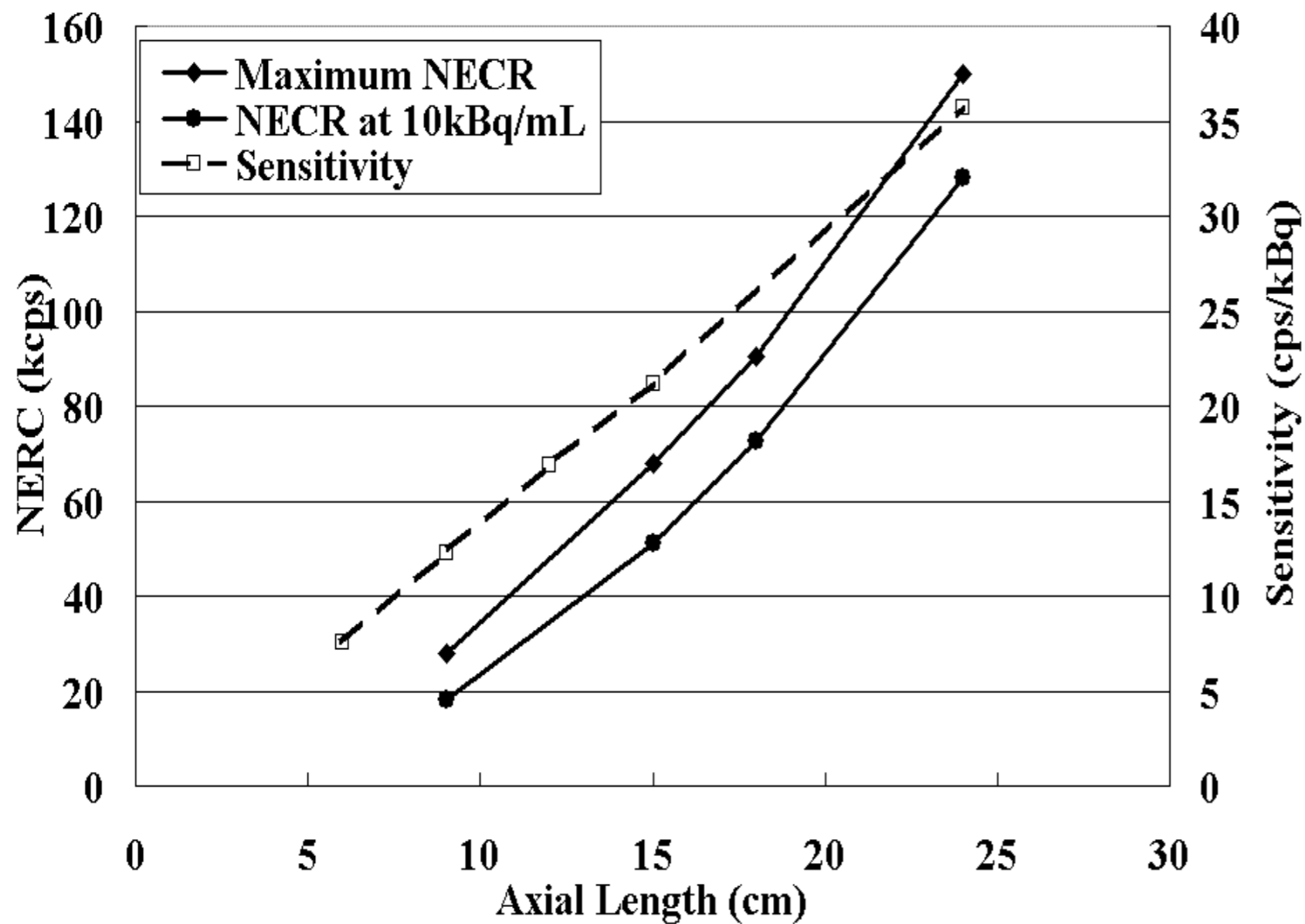
NEC simulation

System dead time: 200ns

Coincidence window: 4ns

Energy window: 450-550keV

# 装置感度



Sensitivity simulation

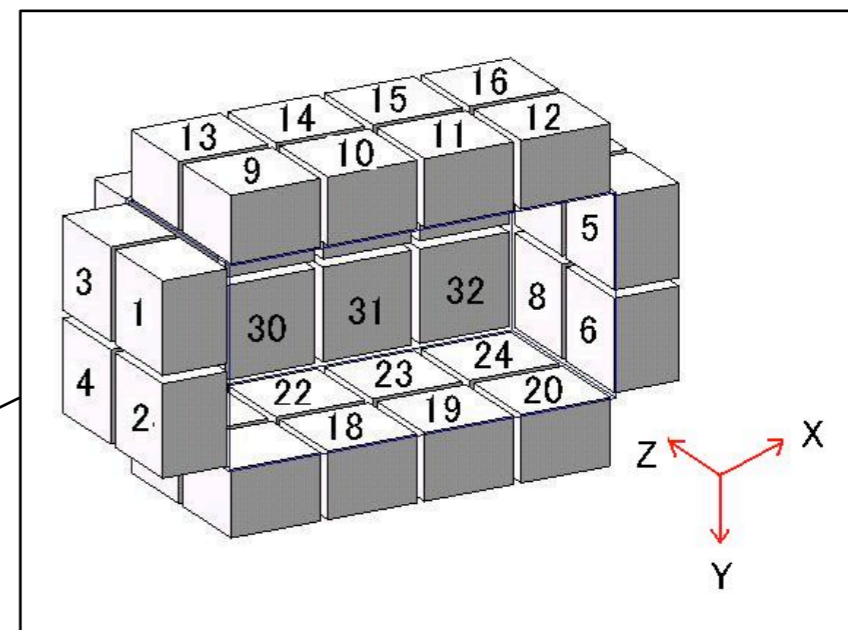
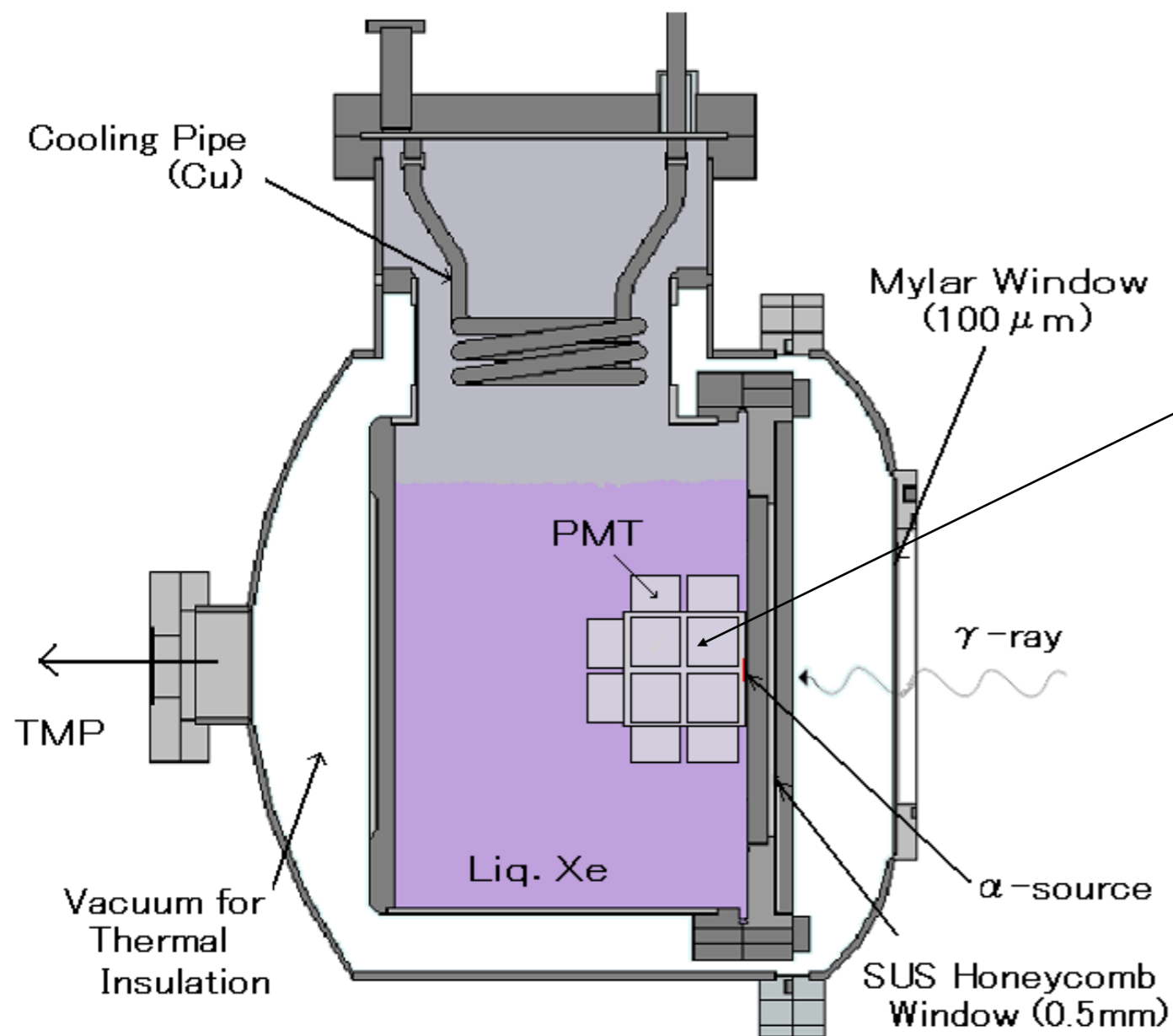
NEMA2001 rod phantom

System dead time:200ns

Coincidence window:4ns

Energy window:450-550keV

# 試作型液体キセノンPET検出器



温度 **-110°C**

圧力 **1~2atm**

有感領域 **12×6×6cm<sup>3</sup>**

到達真空度 **10<sup>-6</sup>Torr**

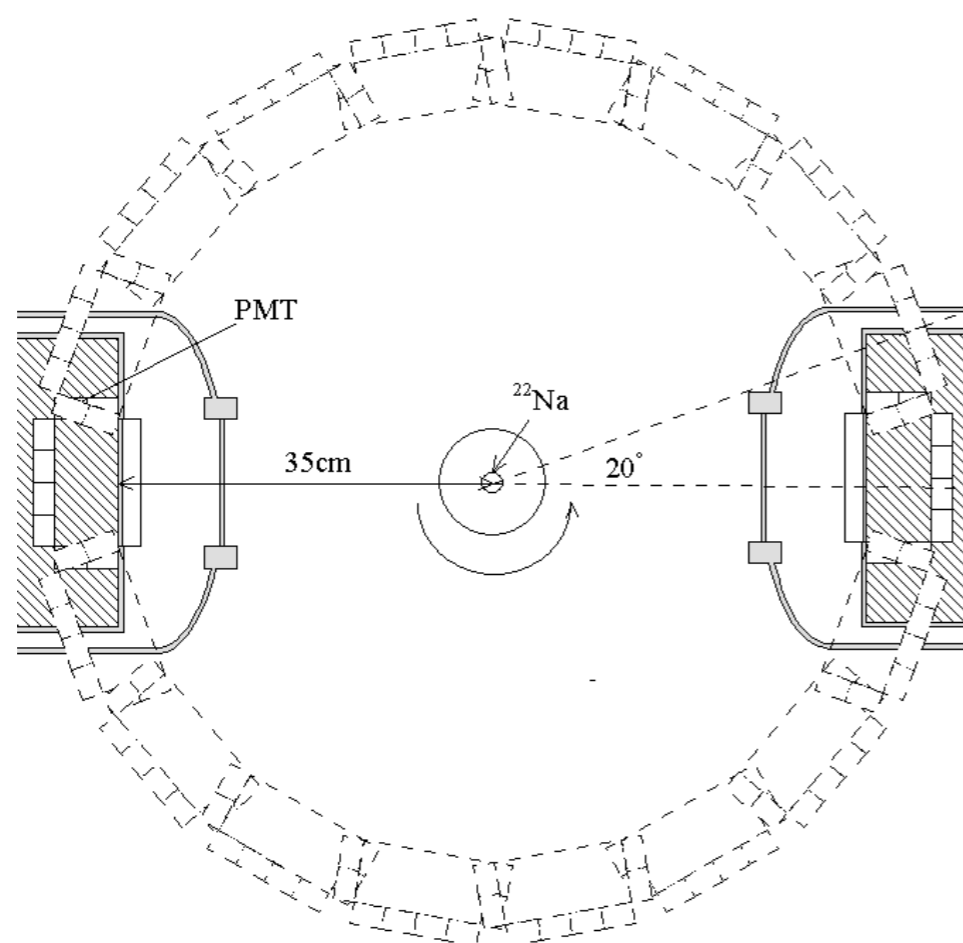
**32PMT**

**R5900-06MOD×32**

**liquid Xe 12L**

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# 画像再構成



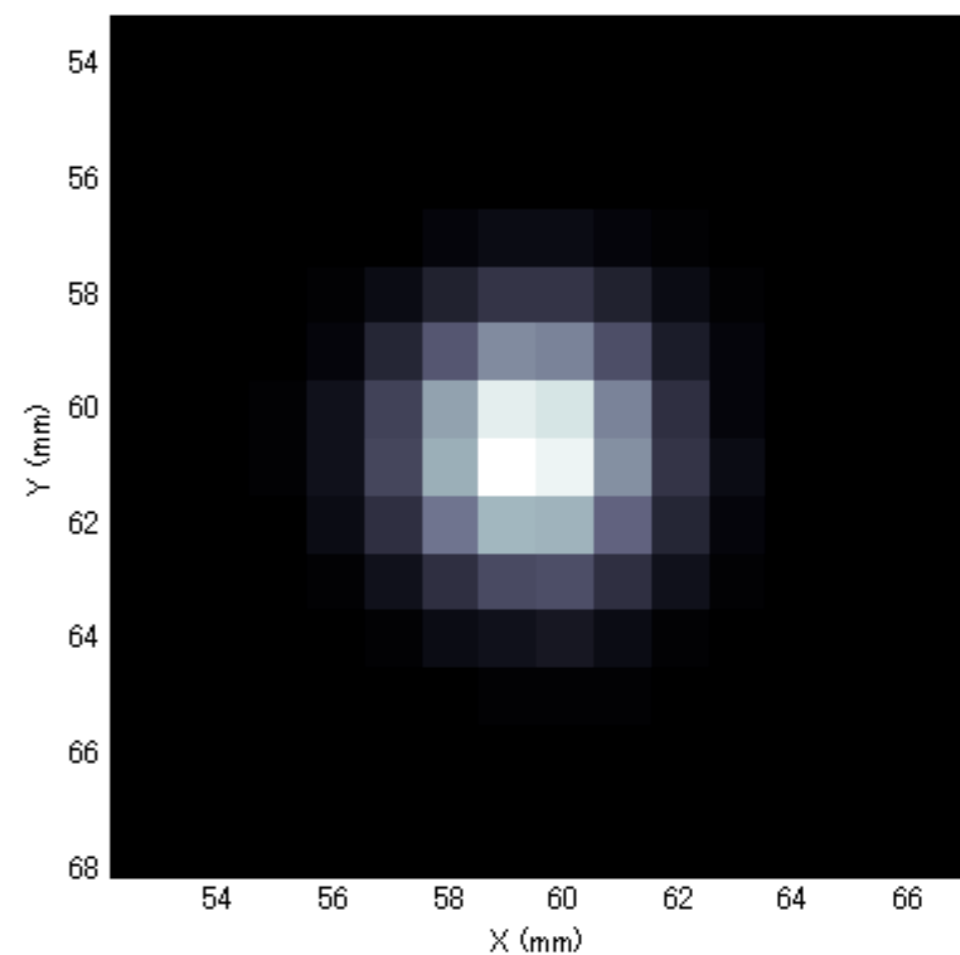
## 再構成条件

ML-EM法

反復回数100回

-5<Y<5の範囲を用いる →2Dモードを仮定

## $^{22}\text{Na}$ 点線源の再構成画像

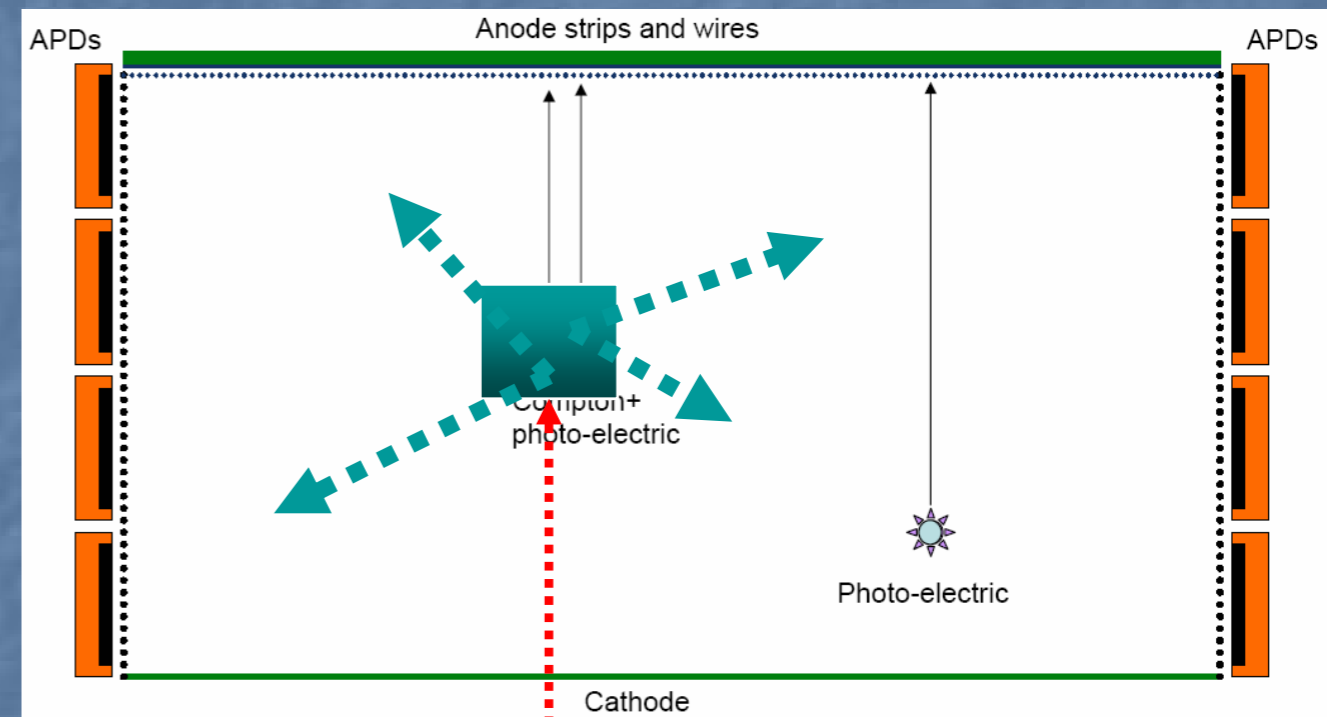


空間分解能: 3.3mm(FWHM)

# TRIUMF XEPET

## Liquid xenon TPC with distributed light collection.

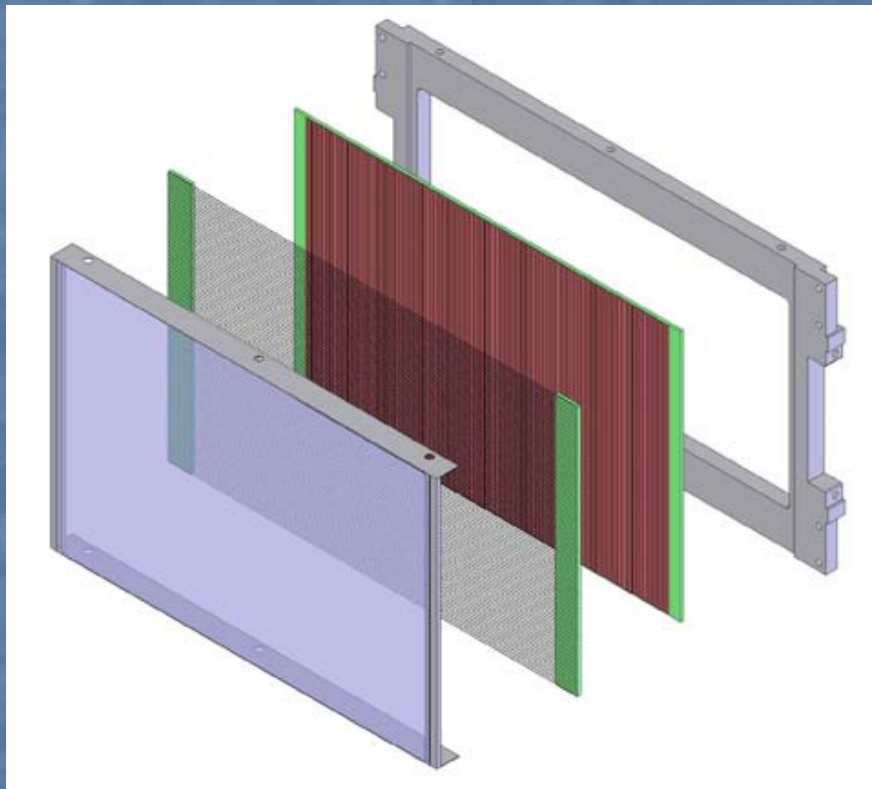
- Scintillation light and ionization signals both used for position and for energy reconstruction
- Find region of interaction from fast light distribution (minimize pileup)
- Reconstruct drift coordinate from drift time; get the other two coordinates with anode electrodes (induction wires perpendicular to anode strips )
- 3-D Position resolution:  $<1$  mm (fwhm)
- Energy resolution:  $<9\%$  (FWHM); suppresses scatter/random image noise
- Compton reconstruction further suppresses scatter and random backgrounds.



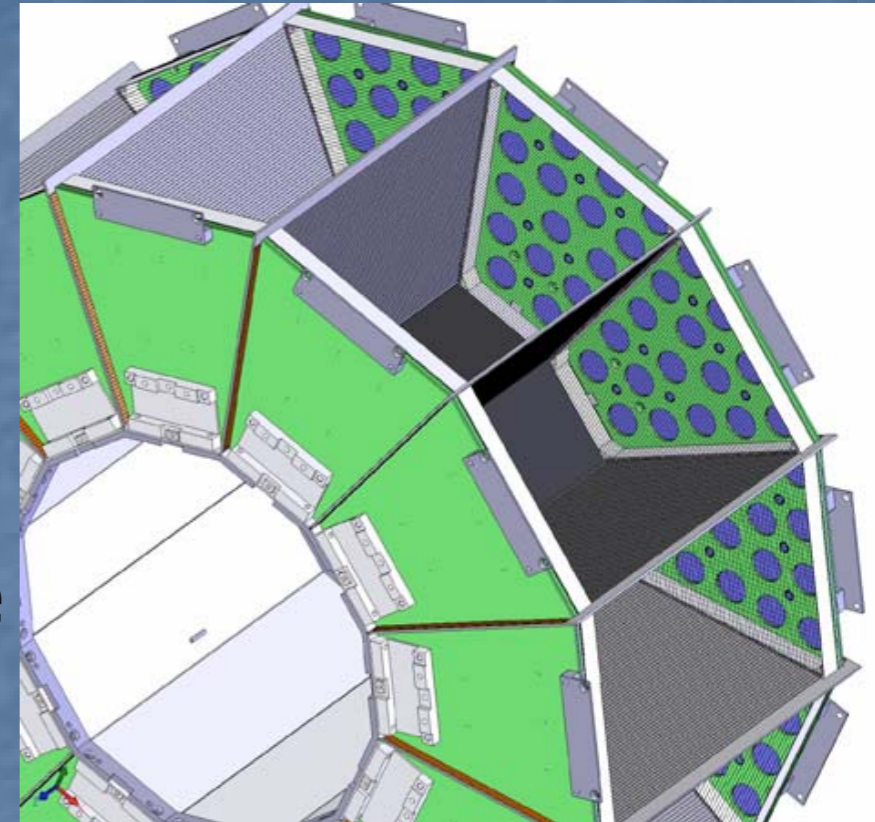


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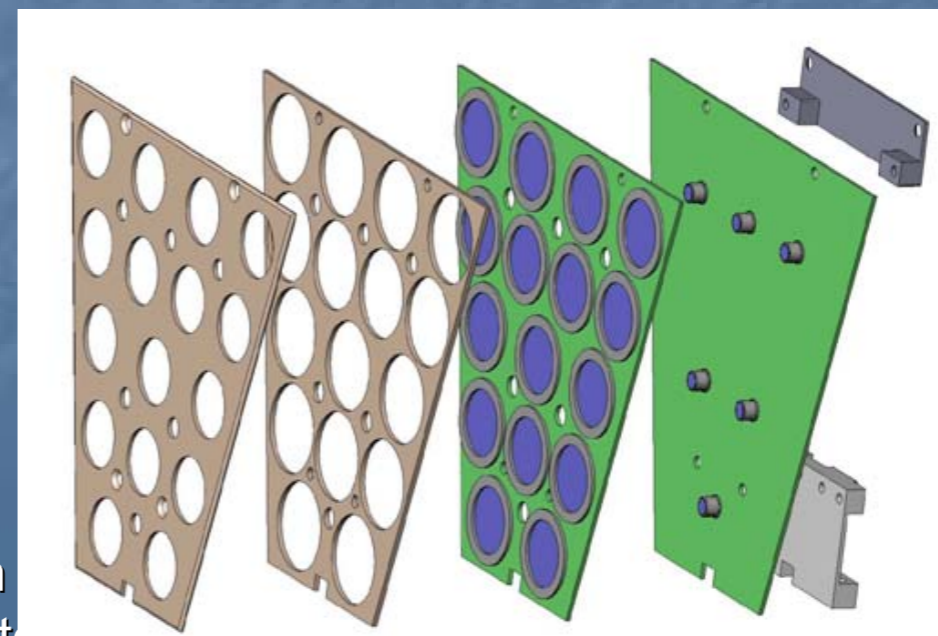
- 12 sectors.
  - Field cage formed with strips (between sectors) and wires (ends)
  - Cathode: resistive kapton on ceramic plates



- Anode Charge module
  - 96 wires, 96 strips
  - SS and kapton PCBs
  - AC decoupling with kapton?



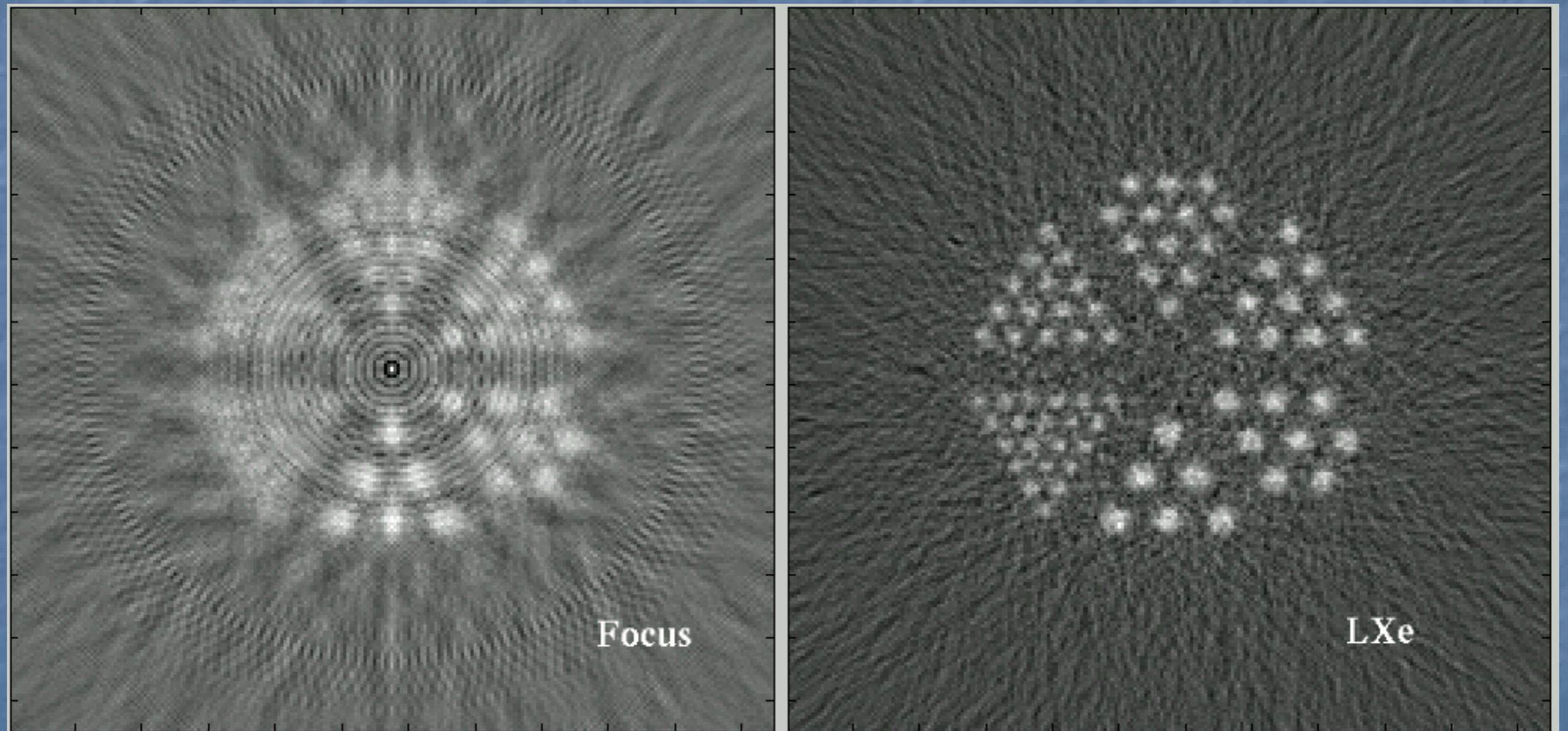
- APD module for light collection
  - 16 APDs and 6 LEDs for monitoring
  - 1 HV line and 16 LV lines (HV tuning)



# Comparison of PET Image Simulations

Conventional PET "FOCUS"

TRIUMF XEPET



UBC student Philip Lu

7/11/2007

Douglas Bryman UBC  
Noble Liquid Detectors, TSI

Derenzo Phantom in water:  
1mm dia. Minimum feature size.

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2 Phase

# LXeComp (TPC) $\beta+\gamma$ ; 2 phase

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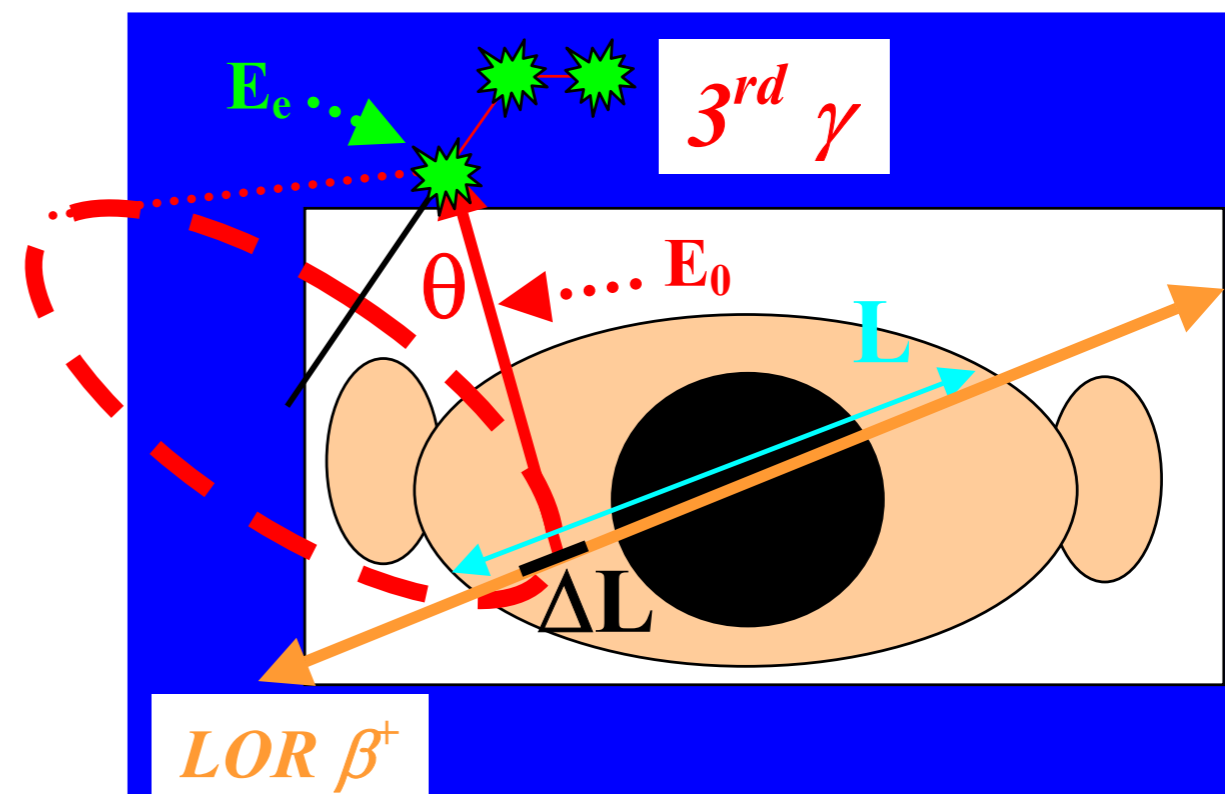
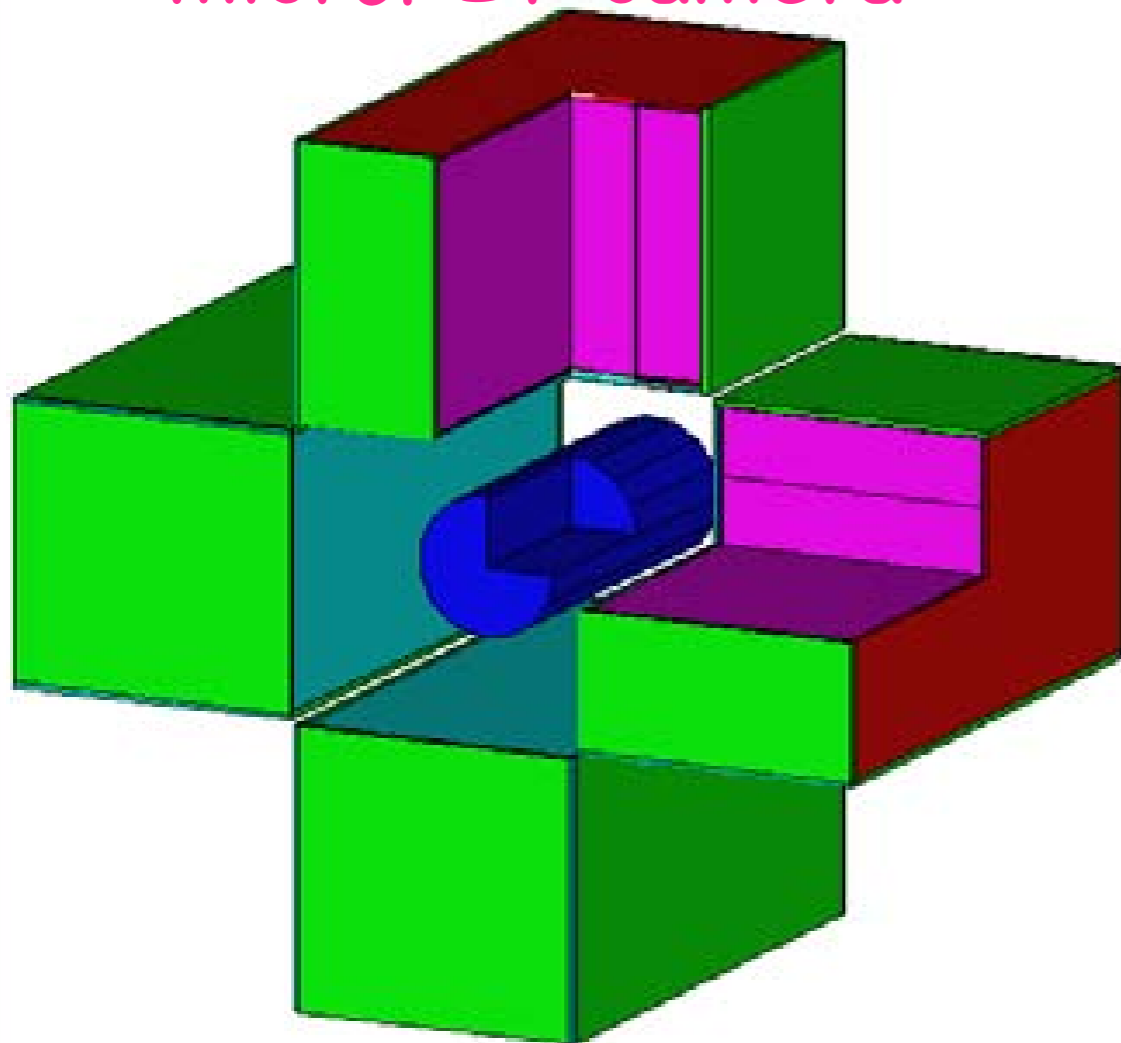
Subatech, Ecole des Mines de Nantes, IN2P3- CNRS and Université de Nantes,

Liquid Xenon (LXe) based detector coupled to large-area fast gas-avalanche imaging photomultipliers (GPM), the UV photons resulting from Xe scintillation are detected in the GPM (Gas Photon Multiplication)

$^{44}\text{Sc}$  : a good  $\beta+\gamma$  yield (94.3%) with only one  $\gamma$ -ray of 1.157 MeV

$3 \times 3 \times 12 \text{cm}^3$  cell in  $24 \times 12 \times 12 \text{cm}^3$  ; 12cm long liq.Xe for 1.156MeV gamma

microPET camera



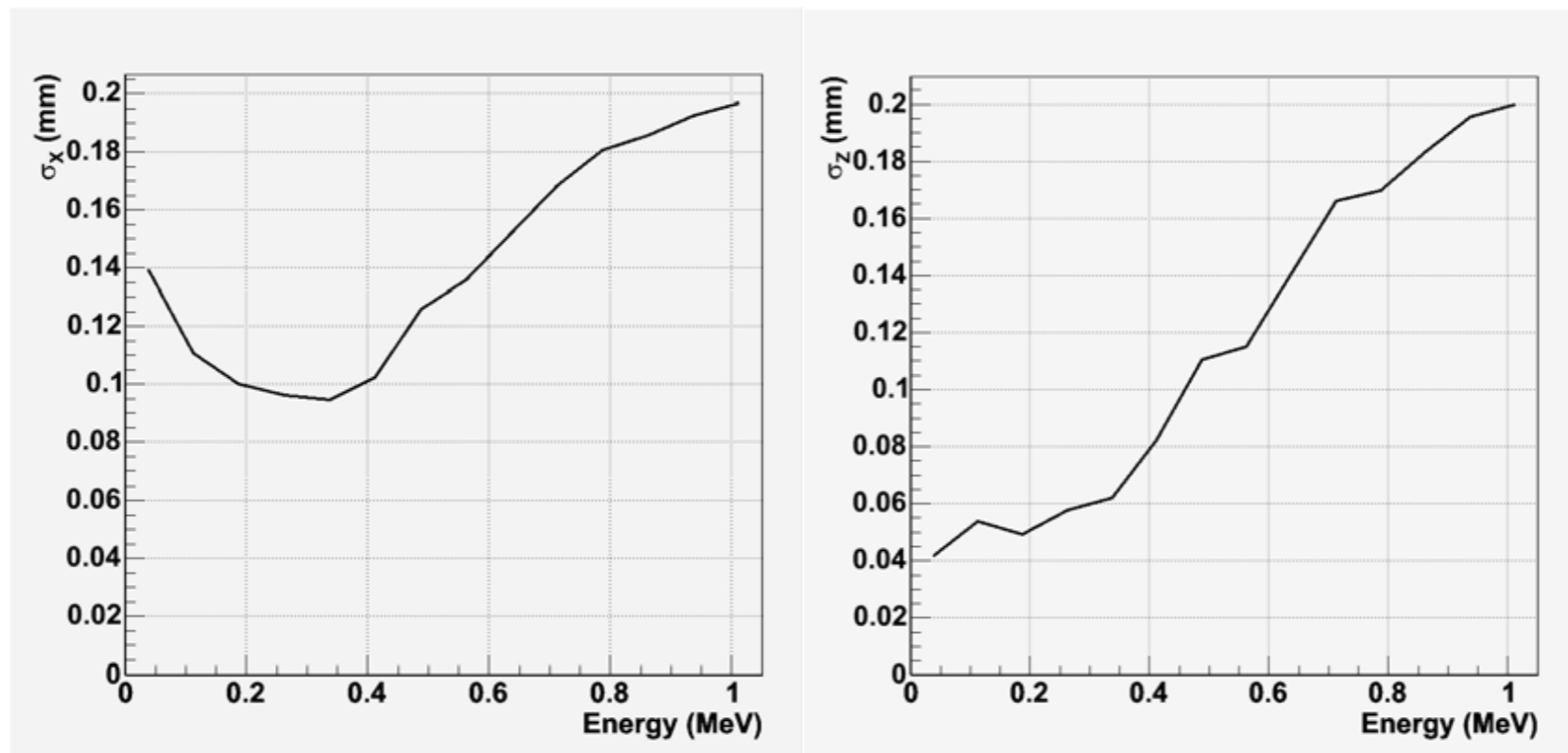


Figure 11: Spatial resolution as a function of the energy deposited by electrons in liquid xenon obtained from simulation, in the anode plane (left) and along the drift direction (right).

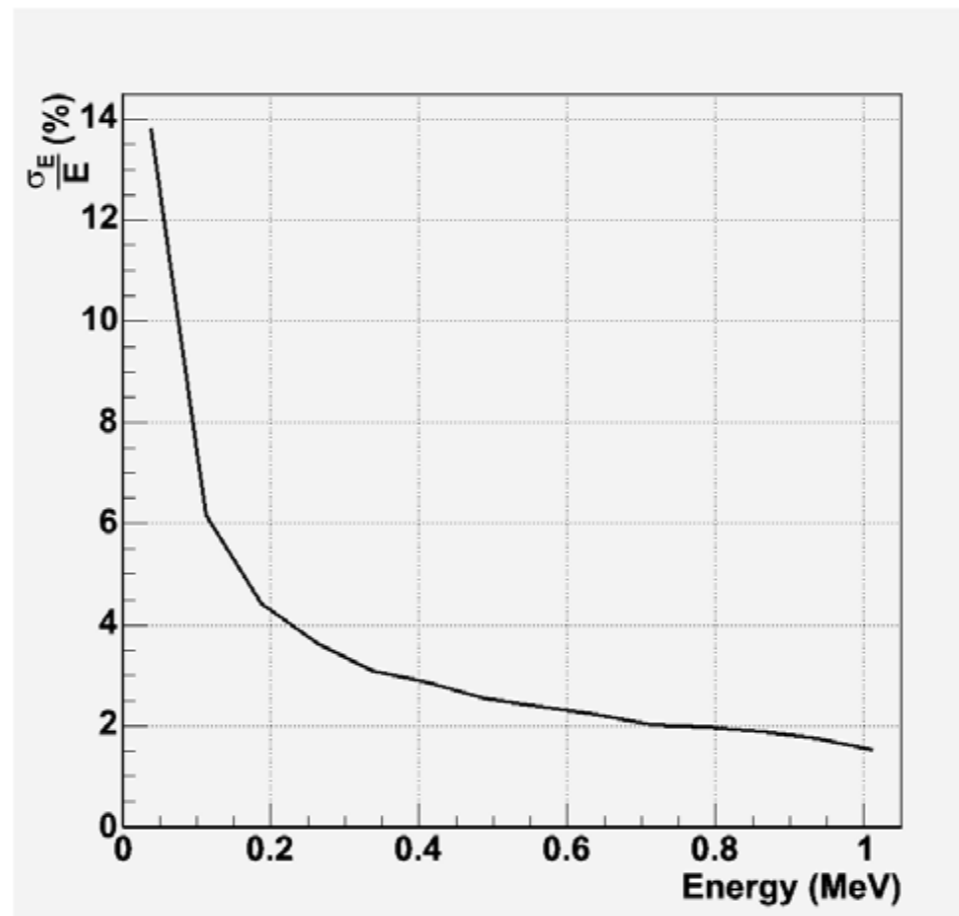


Figure 12: Energy resolution as a function of the energy deposited by electrons in liquid xenon obtained from simulation.

The position of each  $\beta^+\gamma$  correlated events has been reconstructed according to the algorithm presented on paragraph 4.1. The obtained image is shown on figure 17. The spatial resolution deduced from the projection of the transverse image slice on a single coordinate is 2.3 mm.

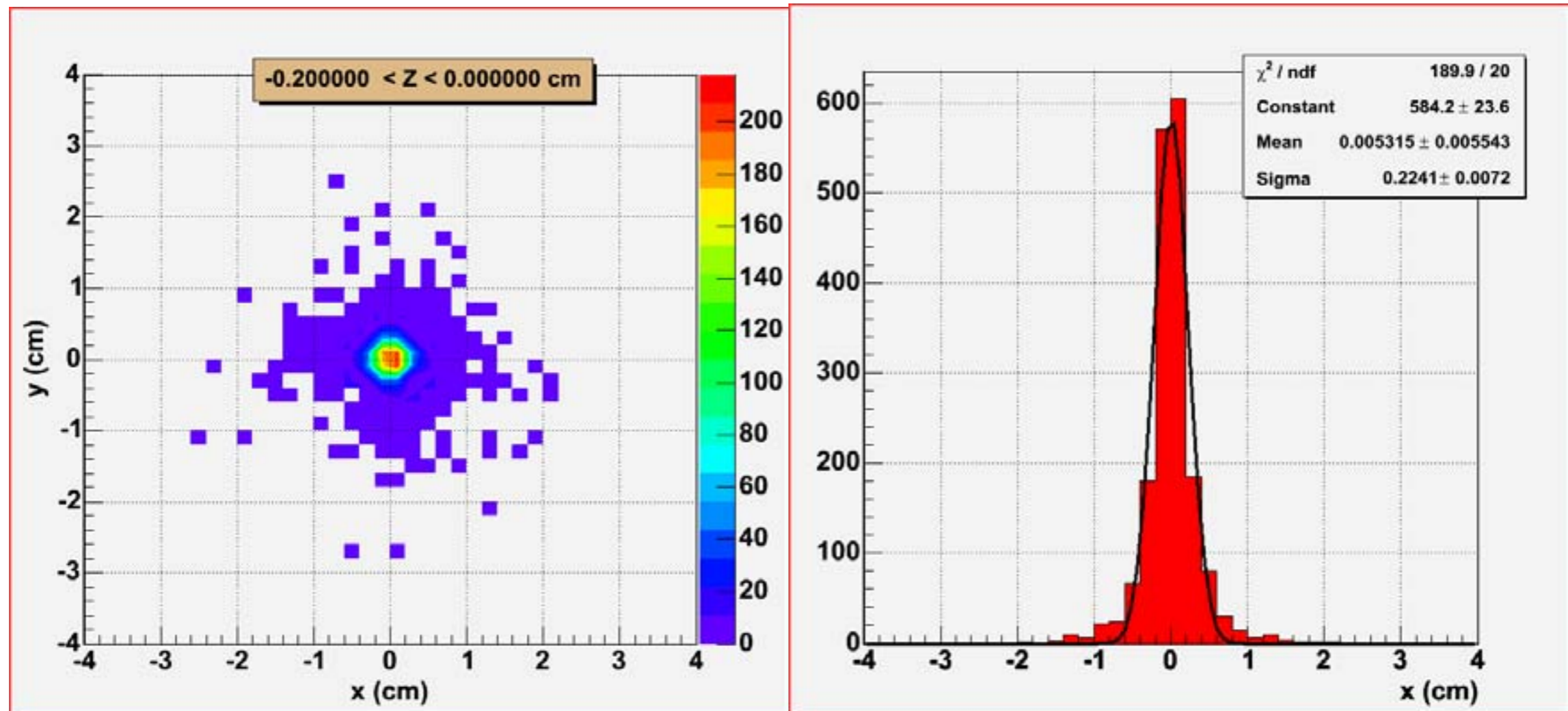
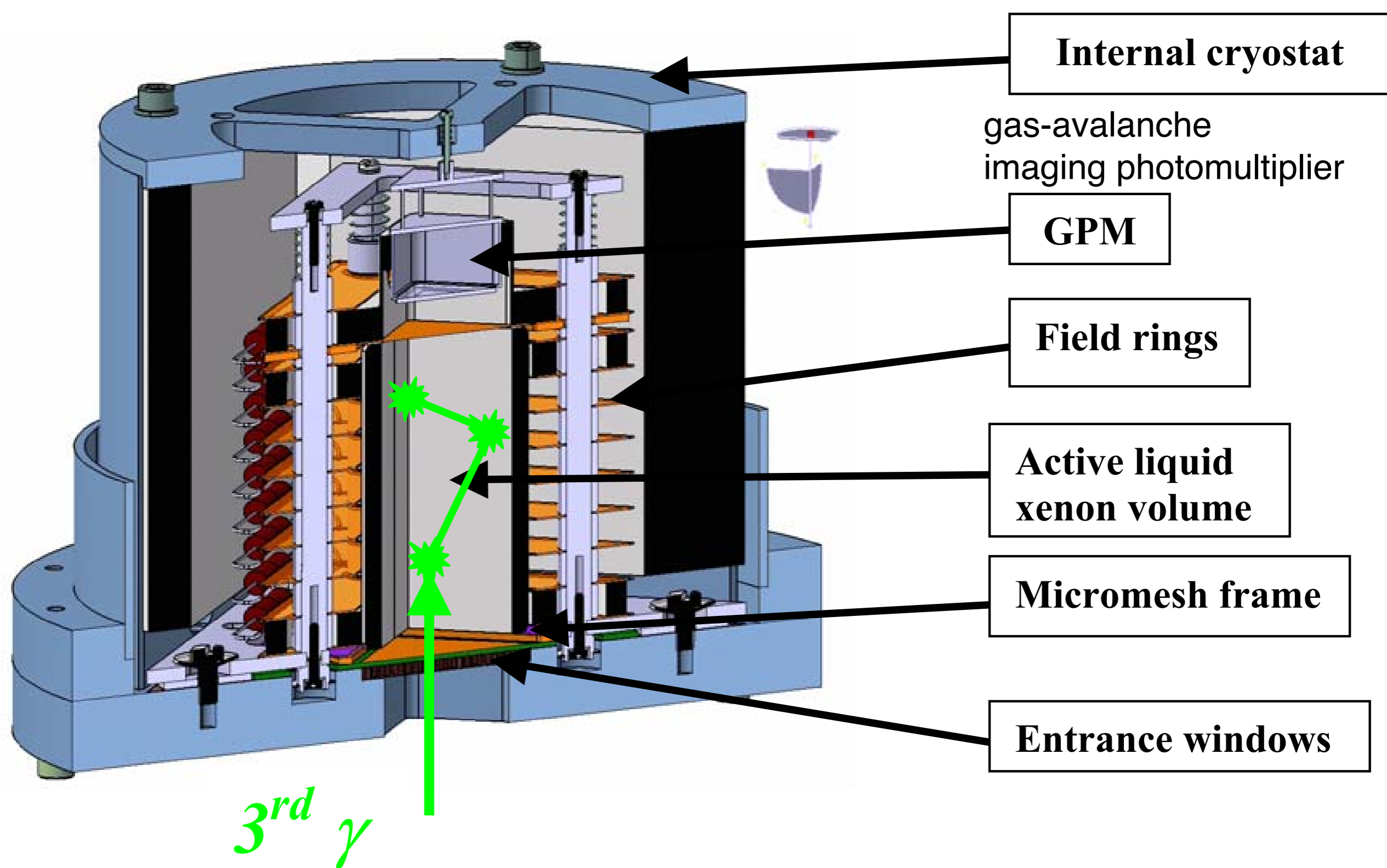


Figure 17: Transverse slice of the reconstructed image of a point source with a voxel size of  $2 \times 2 \times 2$   $\text{mm}^3$  (left) and its projection on one  $x$  axis (right). Results have been obtained with 0.5 millions of generated  $^{44}\text{Sc}$  decays.

The overall reconstruction efficiency for the events is 1.3%



*Figure 6: Active volume of the liquid xenon Compton prototype in construction*

The ionization signal ( $\sim 60000 \text{ e}^-/\text{MeV}$ ) is collected by a segmented anode of  $3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2$  in the (x,y) plane, after crossing a micromesh "Frish-Grid". This micromesh is a copper grid of  $3 \mu\text{m}$  thickness and  $50 \mu\text{m}$  pitch placed  $50 \mu\text{m}$  above the anode ( $0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^2$  pads), readout with no-amplification,

# GPM

# PIM (Parallel Ionization Multiplier)

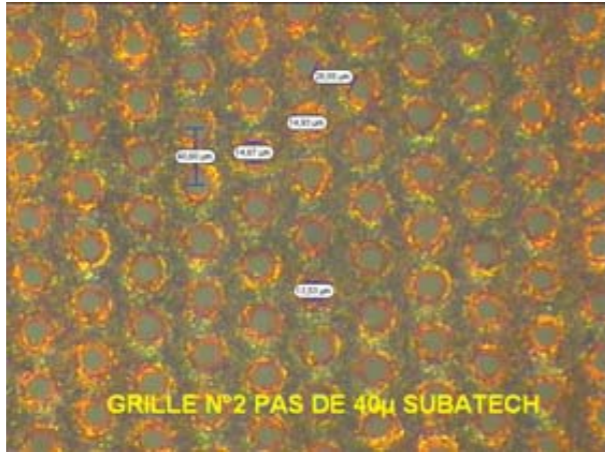
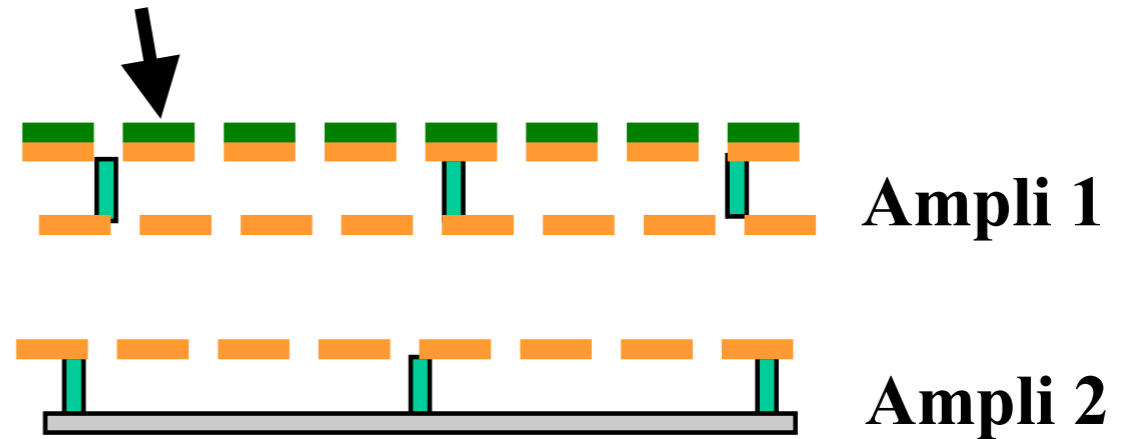


Figure 8. A microscope view of a copper micromesh produced by laser machining: holes are 14 μm diameter with a pitch of 40 μm. The concept of a PIM photon detector with a reflective photocathode.

Reflective photocathode



# GEM (Gas Electron Multiplier)

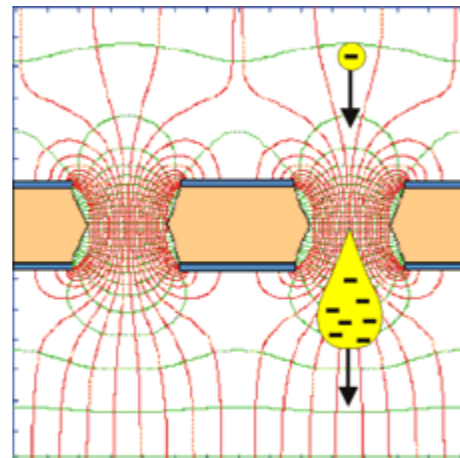
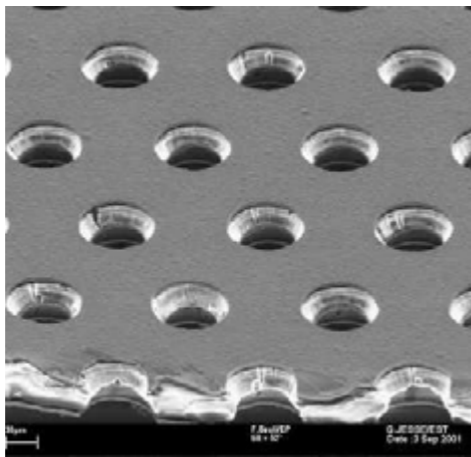
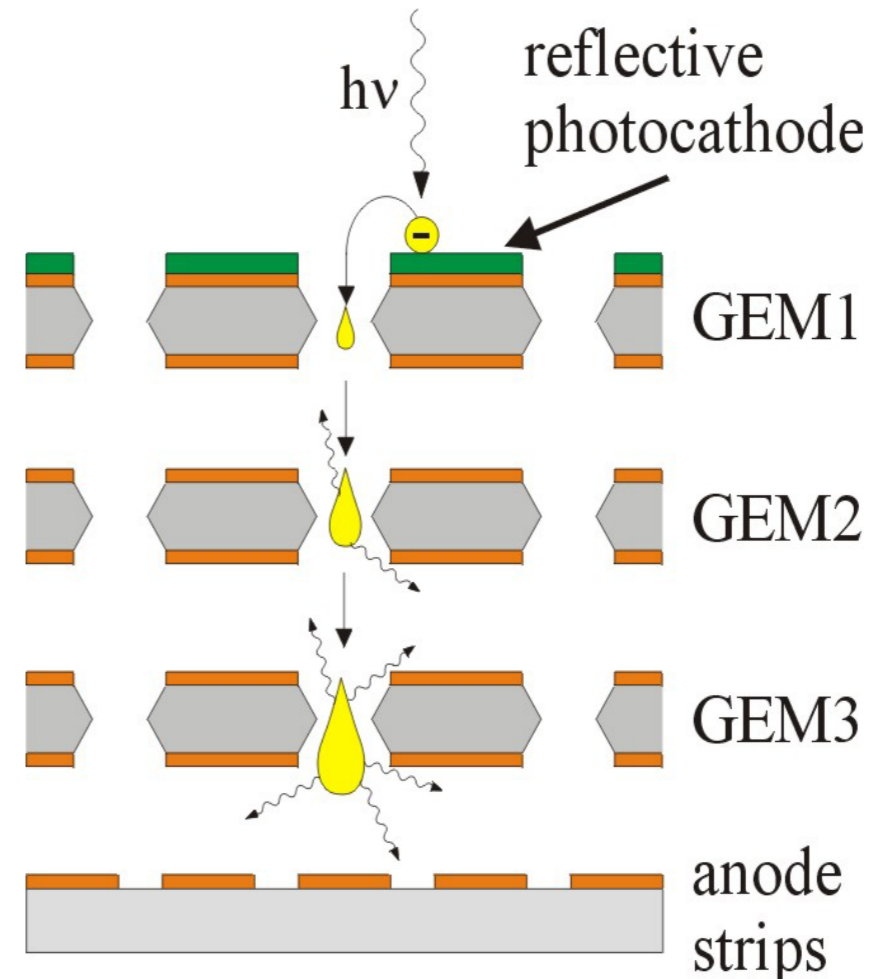


Figure 9. A microscope view of a Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM), produced of 50 micron Cu-cladded Kapton, perforated with 80 micron diameter holes; equi-potentials, electric fields and avalanche multiplication scheme occurring when the GEM is polarized by a few hundred volts; The concept of a multi-GEM photon detector, with a reflective photocathode.





# Second Prototype

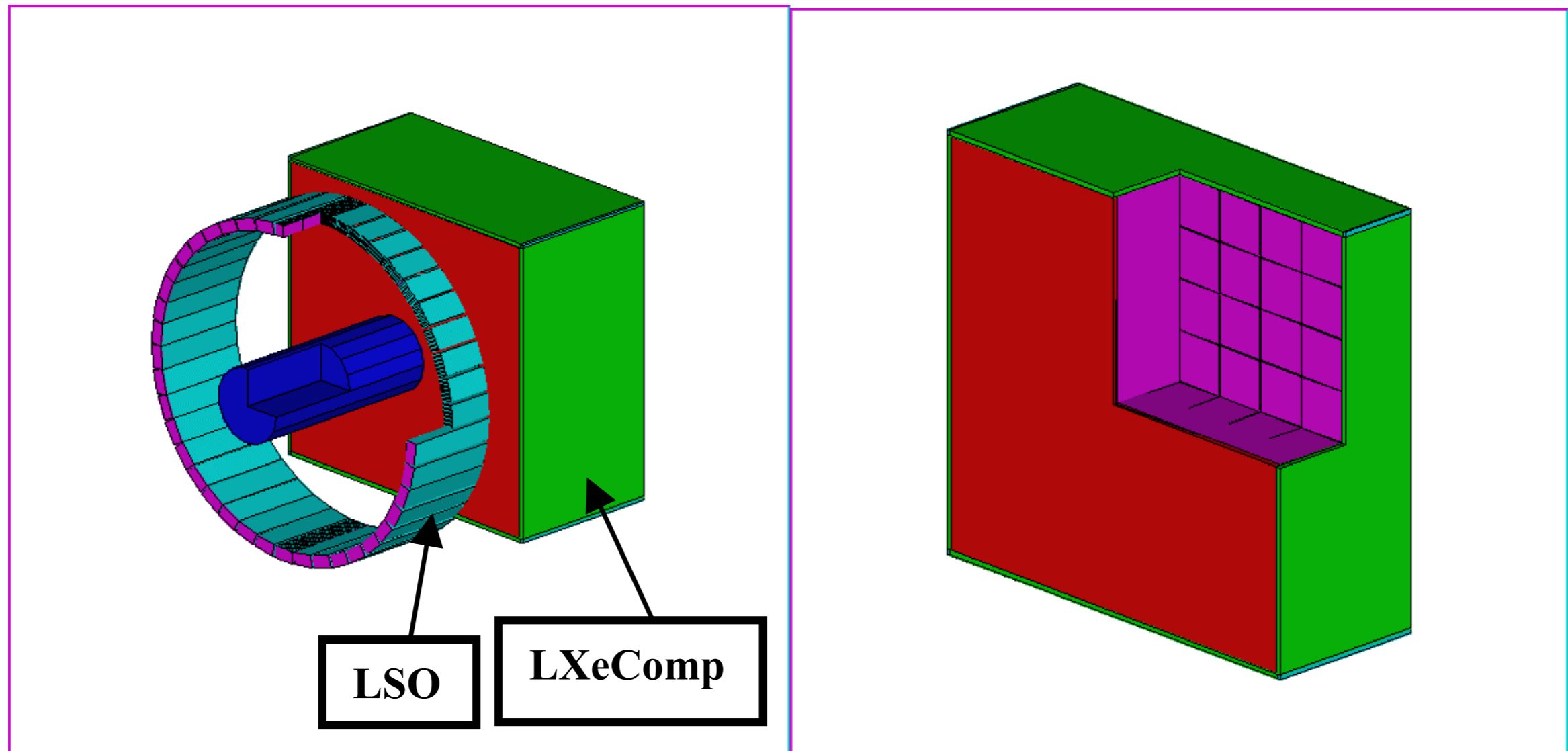
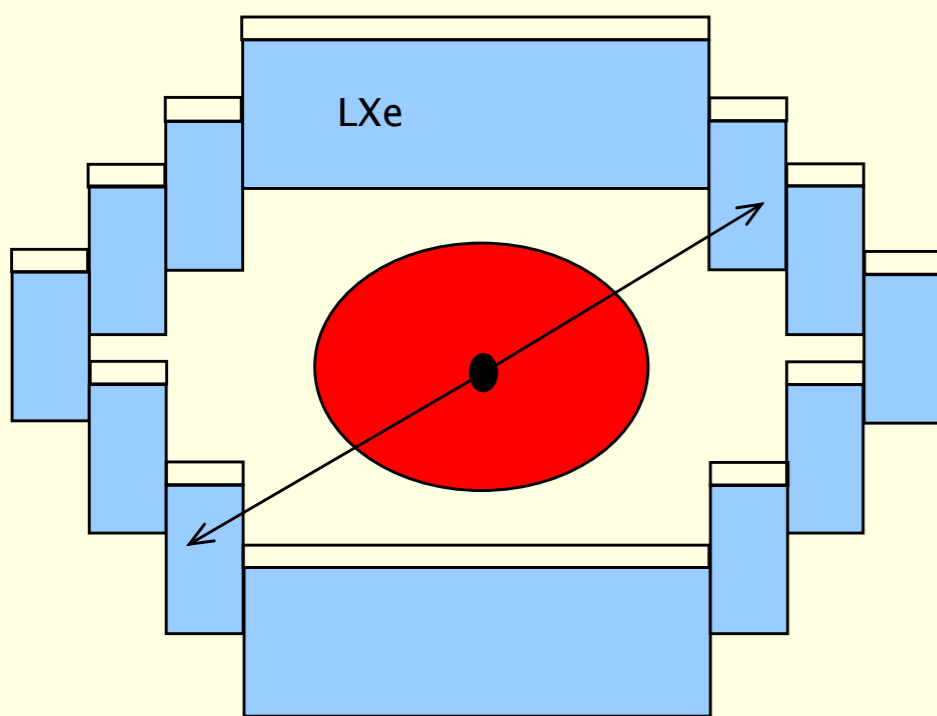


Figure 13: Liquid xenon module associated to LSO microPET camera (left). The module ( $24 \times 24 \times 12 \text{ cm}^3$ ) is made of individual cells of  $3 \times 3 \times 12 \text{ cm}^3$  separated by  $500 \mu\text{m}$  thick PTFE walls (right). The rat phantom is a water cylinder of 6 cm diameter and 15 cm length.

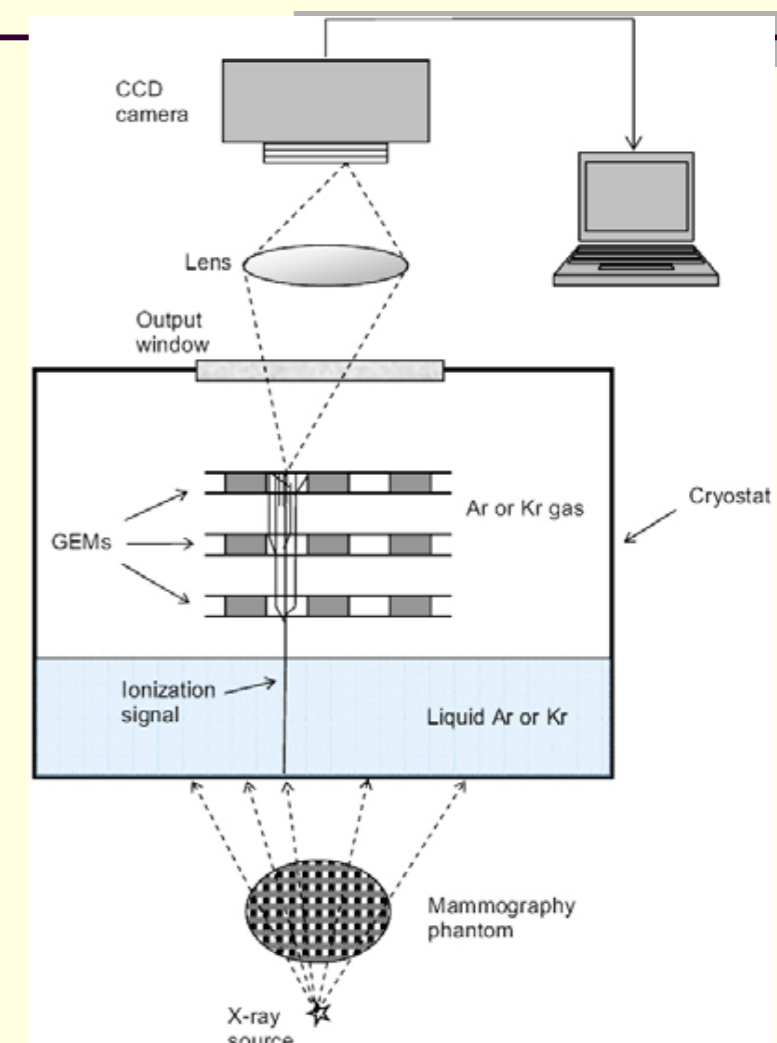
# Motivation: cryogenic two-phase detectors for medical applications



## GEM-based two-phase Xe or Kr avalanche detector for PET

- Solving parallax problem
- Superior spatial resolution if to use GEM readout

*Budker Institute: CRDF grant RP1-2550 (2003)*



## GEM-based two-phase Ar or Kr avalanche detector for digital radiography with CCD readout

- Robust and cheap readout
  - Thin (few mm) liquid layer is enough to absorb X-rays
  - Primary scintillation detection is not needed
- Budker Institute: INTAS grant 04-78-6744 (2005)*

## Two-phase Xe detector for PET

*Chen & Bolozdynya, US patent 5665971 (1997)*

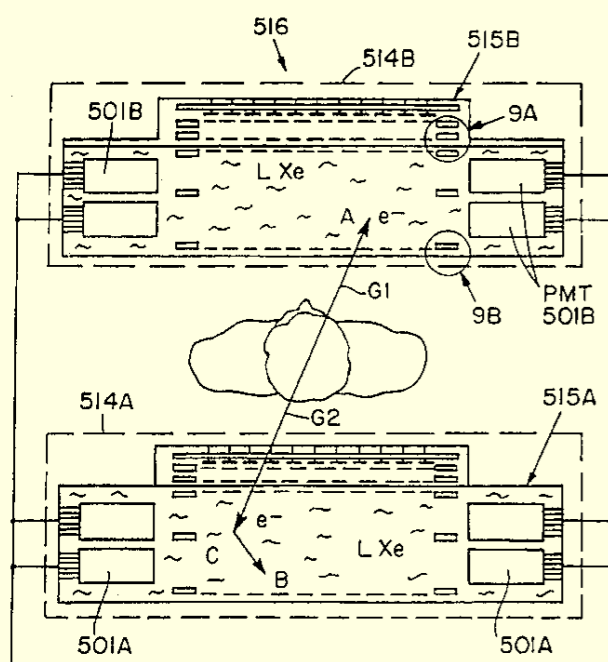


Fig. 9

# XENON (TPC) ; 2 phase : DM

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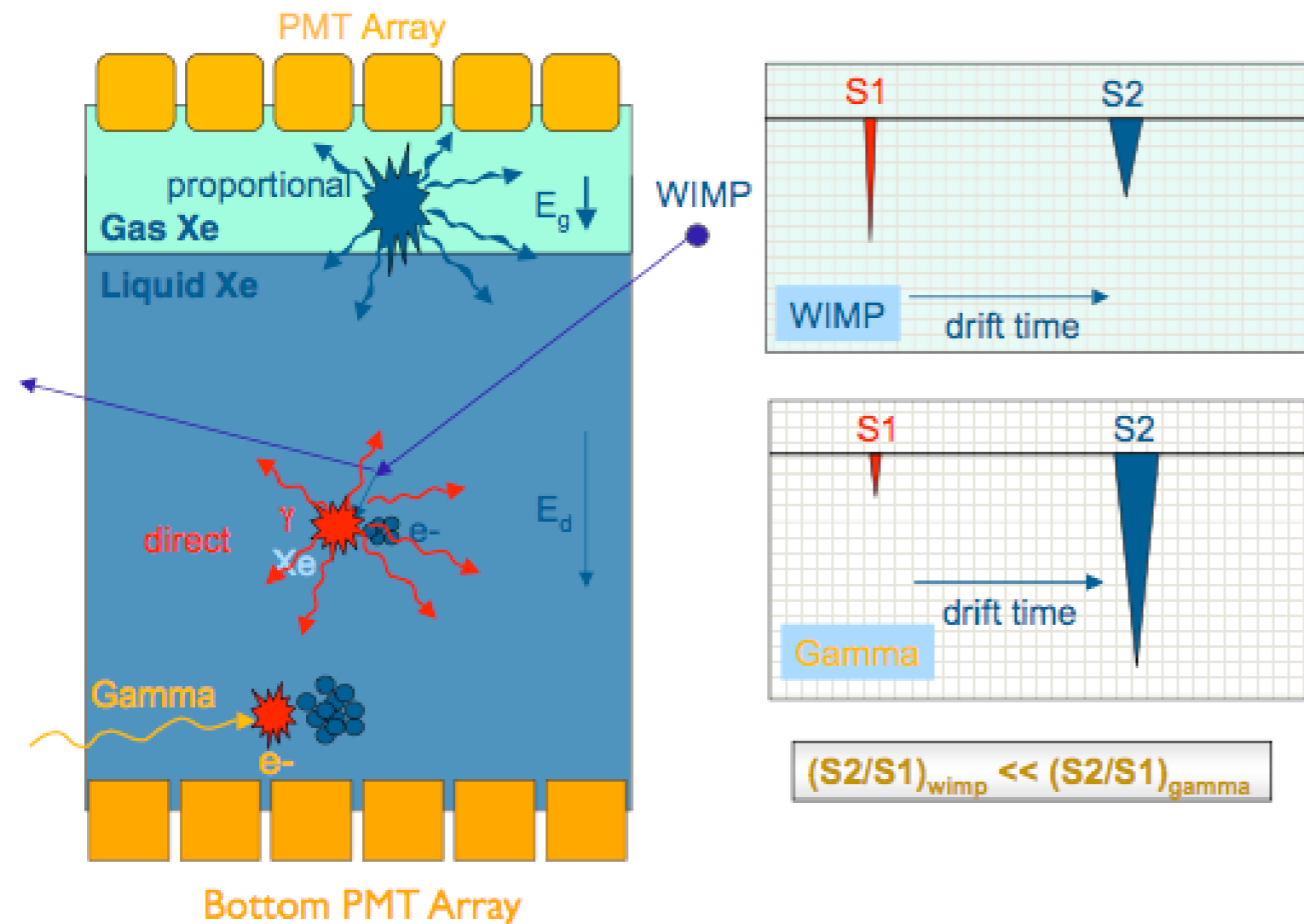
<http://www.astro.columbia.edu/~lxe/XENON/>

Gran Sasso underground lab, Italy

10kg (XENON-10) → 1 ton with visible energy threshold of 4keV

1 ton LXeTPC consists of 10 TPCs (100kg): 38cmΦ, 30cm high cylinder

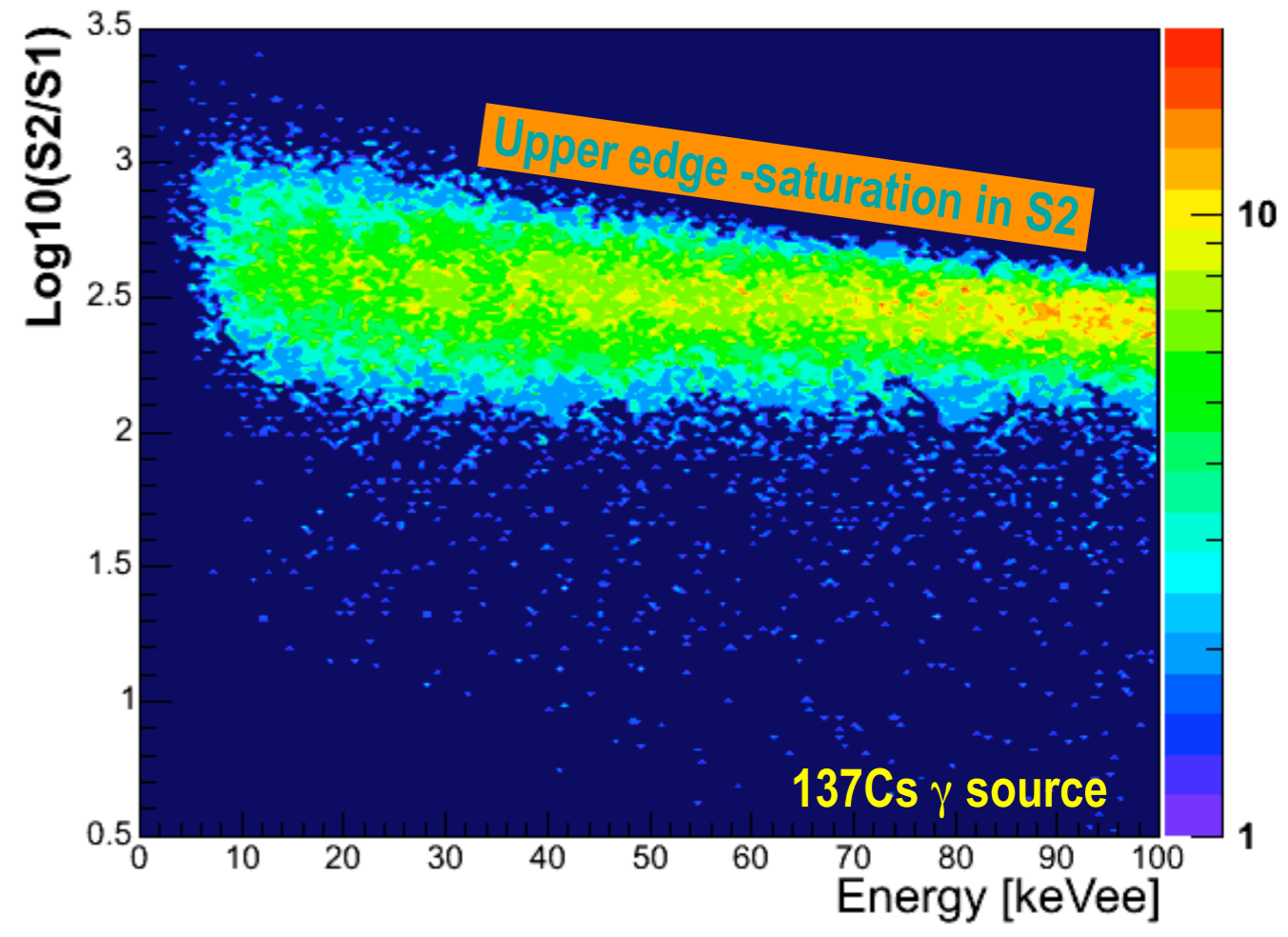
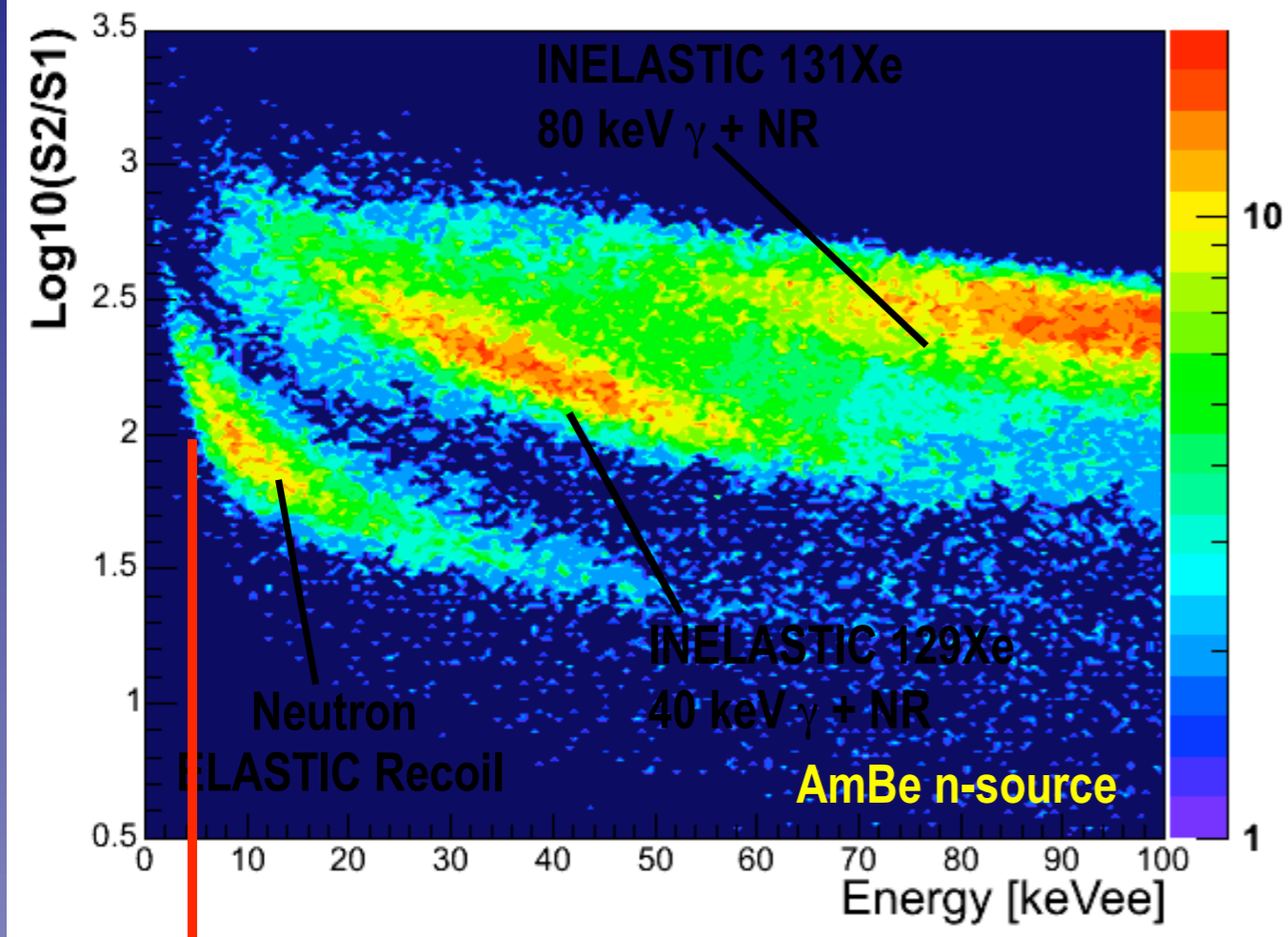
Under a high electric field, a nuclear recoil will yield a very small charge signal and a much larger light signal, compared to an electron recoil of the same energy. The distinct charge/light ratio is the basis for nuclear recoil discrimination in a LXe (2 phase) detector.



Roadmap:

- R&D started 2001
- XENON-3 lab. prototype 2005
- XENON-10 first DM detector now
- XENON-100 design later in 2006

# Background Discrimination Capability

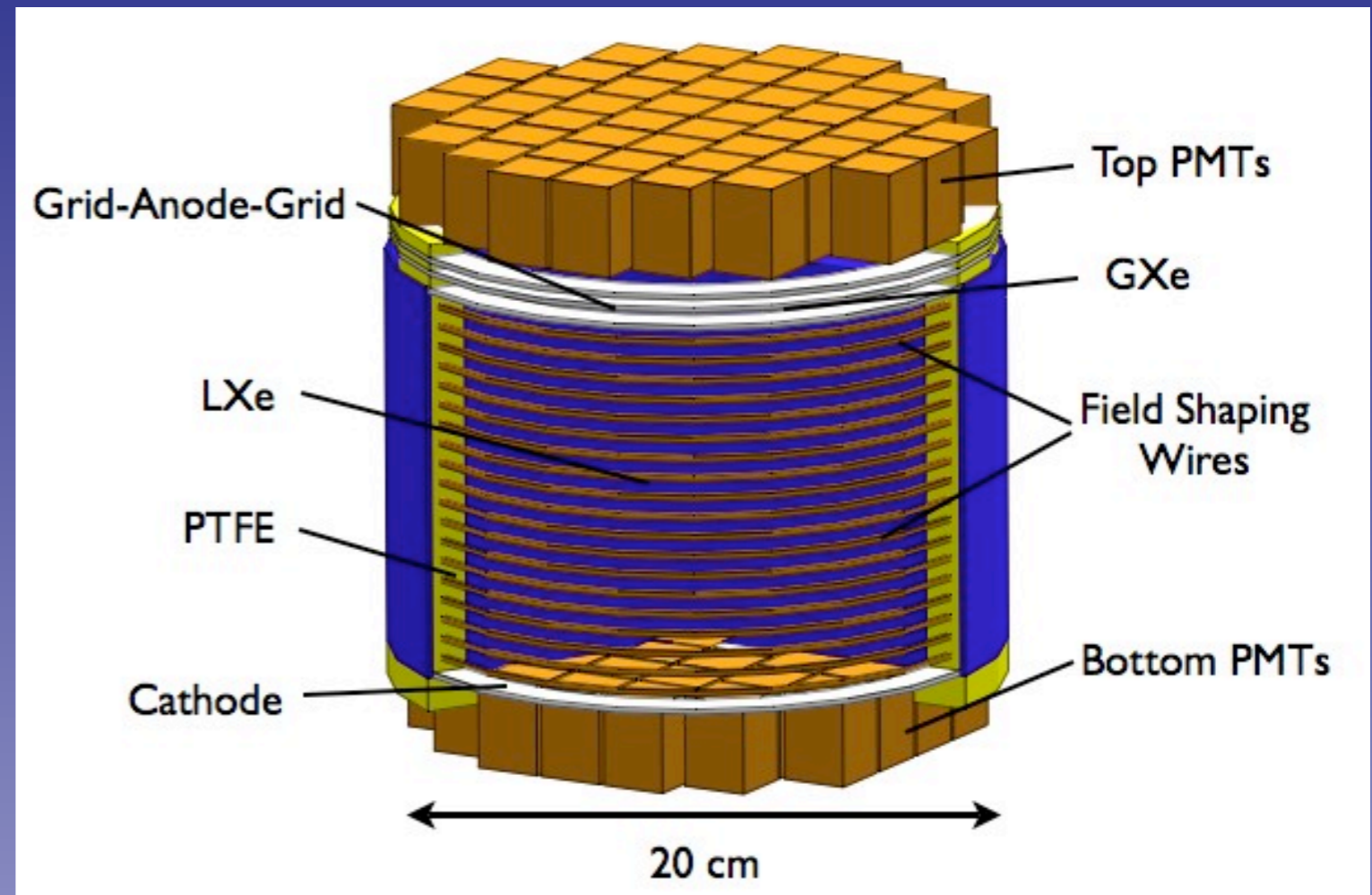
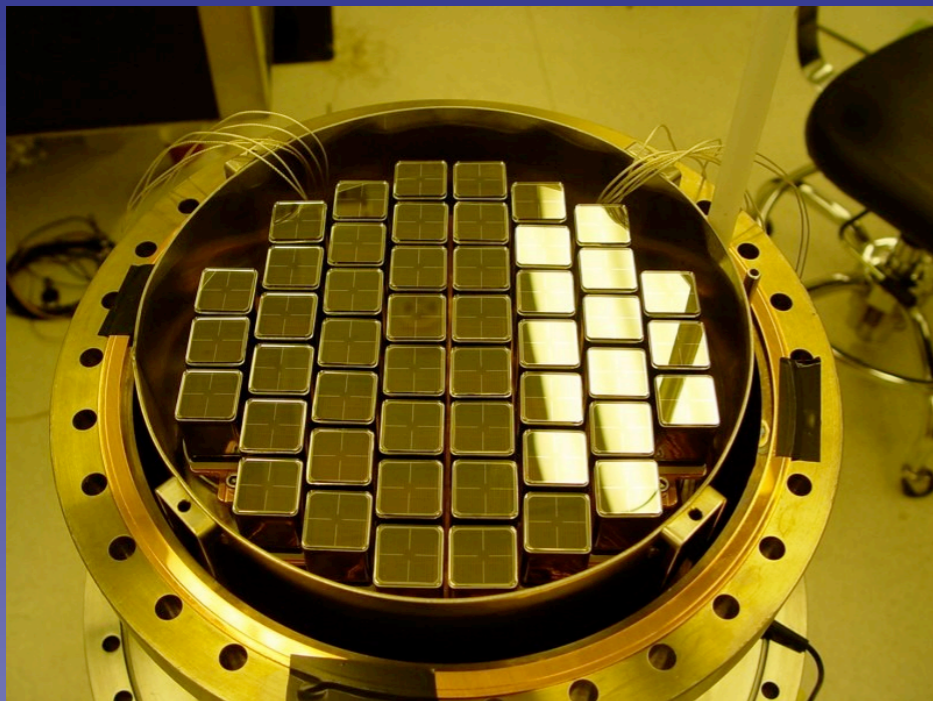


5 keVee energy threshold = 10 keV nuclear recoil

# XENON-10 Detector Now at LNGS



- XENON10 now installed and being tested at LNGS (Underground laboratory Gran Sasso, Italy)
- Expect first DM search run June – August 2006



- 48 PMTs on top, 41 on bottom inside LXe
- 20 cm diameter, 15 cm drift length
- 14 kg LXe

# Summary & Outlook



- Dual phase Xenon-TPC's have been developed and tested in the lab, and are expected to start first DM search runs soon.
- Currently, both charge and light readout are based on PMT readout of primary and secondary scintillation light.
- PMT internal radioactivity has been greatly reduced but will become a limiting factor as sensitivities continue to improve.
- Can we profit from higher X/Y spatial resolution?

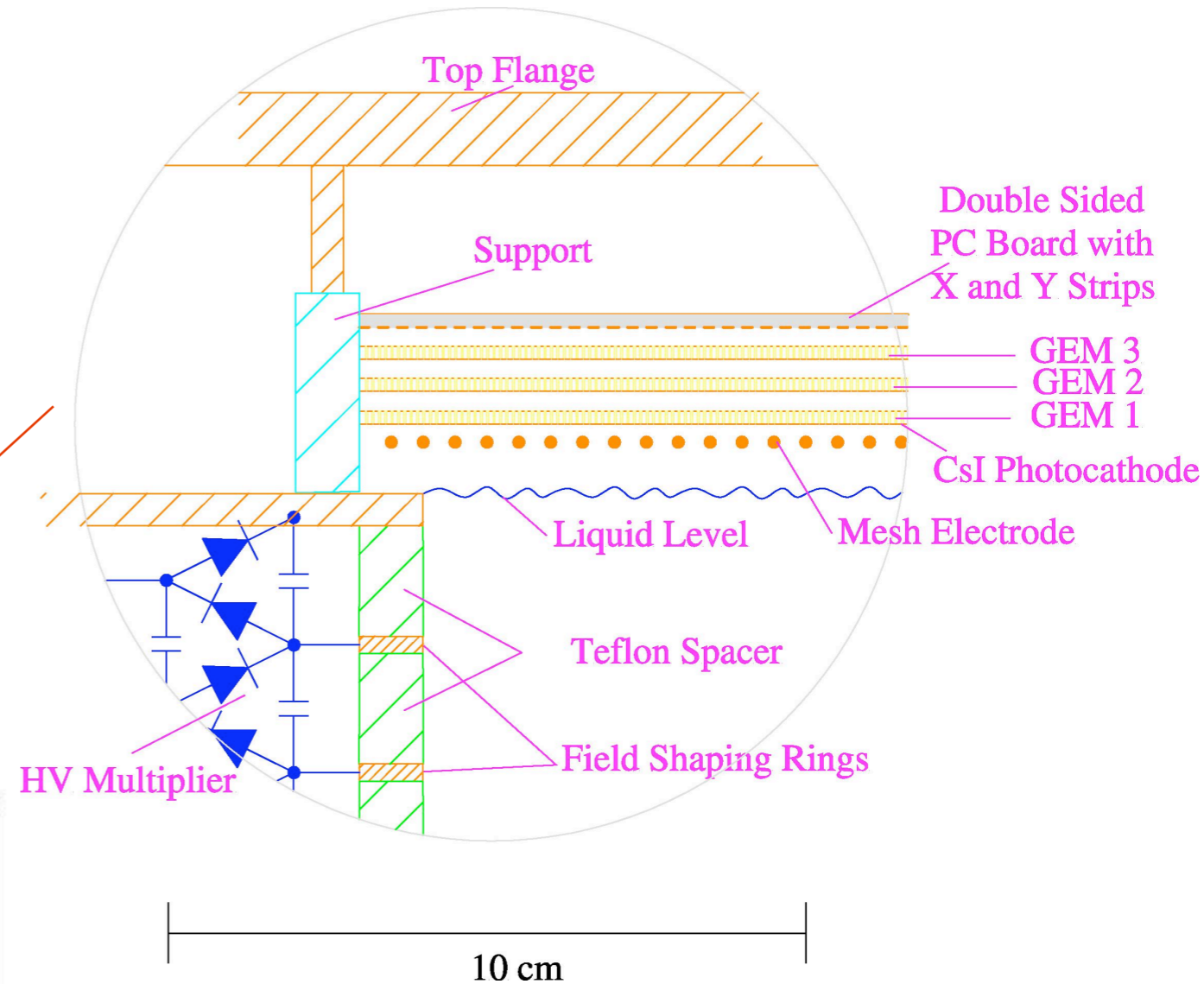
## Other readouts?

- Charge readout with GEM's/THGEM's/MicroMegs?  
So far tested: GEM's - difficulties in Xe vapor phase.
- Light readout with sealed gaseous PMT's? Some requirements similar to RICH detectors.
- Semiconductor photosensors?

# GEM Implementation in the XENON Detector

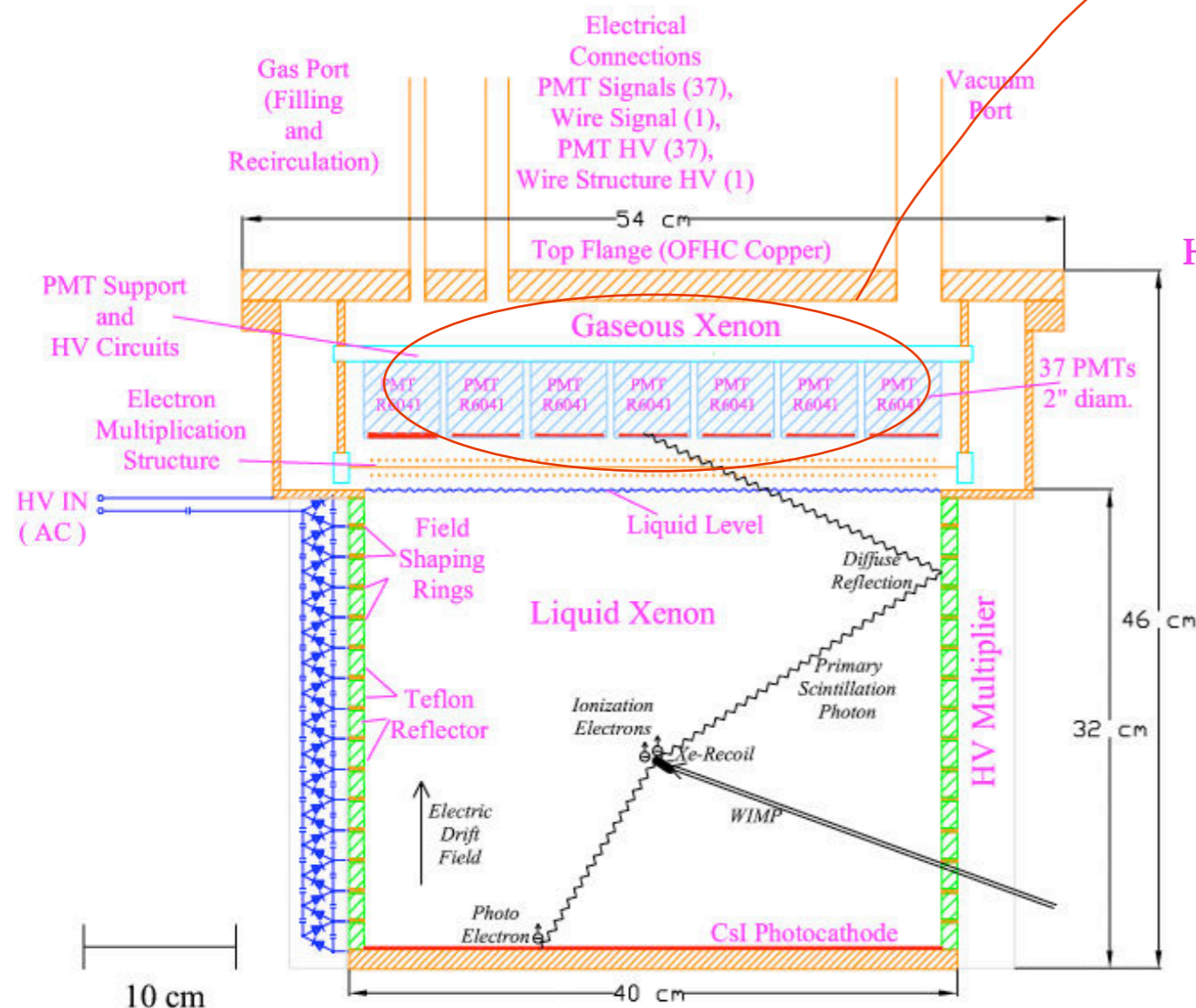
Triple-GEM structure with CsI coating. Mesh steering electrode to tune field for optimum charge transmission and photoelectron extraction from the CsI.

Replace



Double-sided PC board with X/Y strips for fine spatial resolution.

Low-noise electronics for optimum thresholds.



# ZEPLIN (TPC) ; 2 phase : DM

2001

<http://hepwww.rl.ac.uk/ukdmc/ukdmc.html>

- II UKDMC collaboration with US and Italy, 30kg
- III UKDMC collaboration with US and Russia, 6kg
- IV UKDMC collaboration with UCLA 1 ton from ZEPLIN II

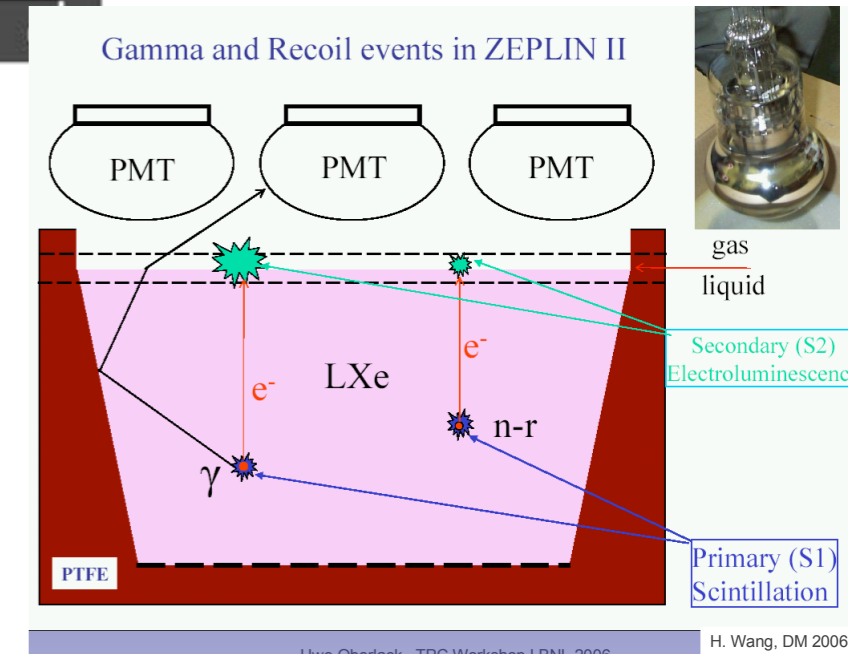
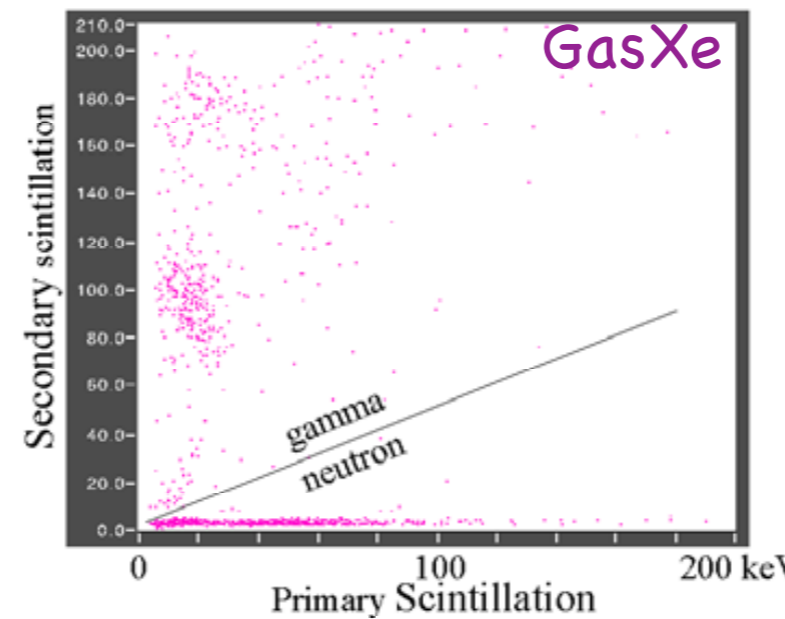
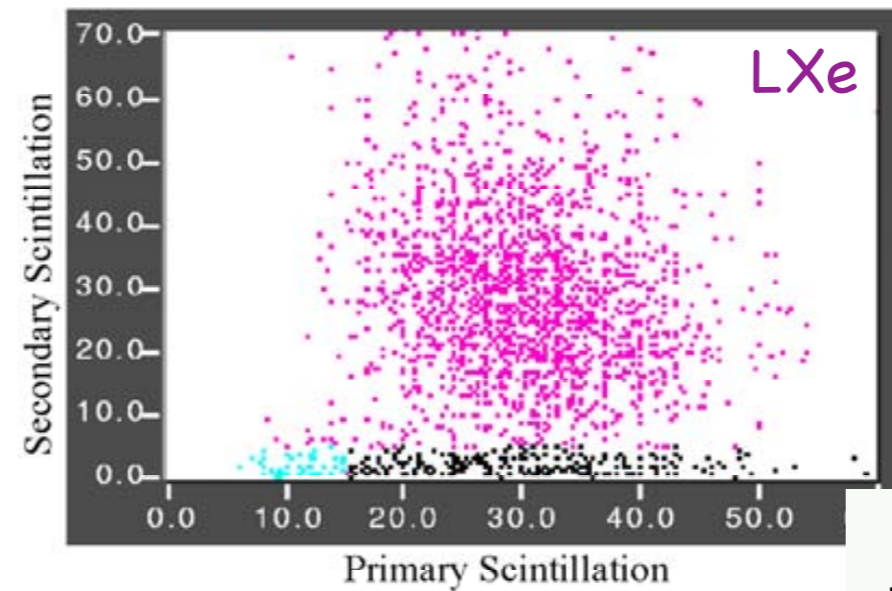
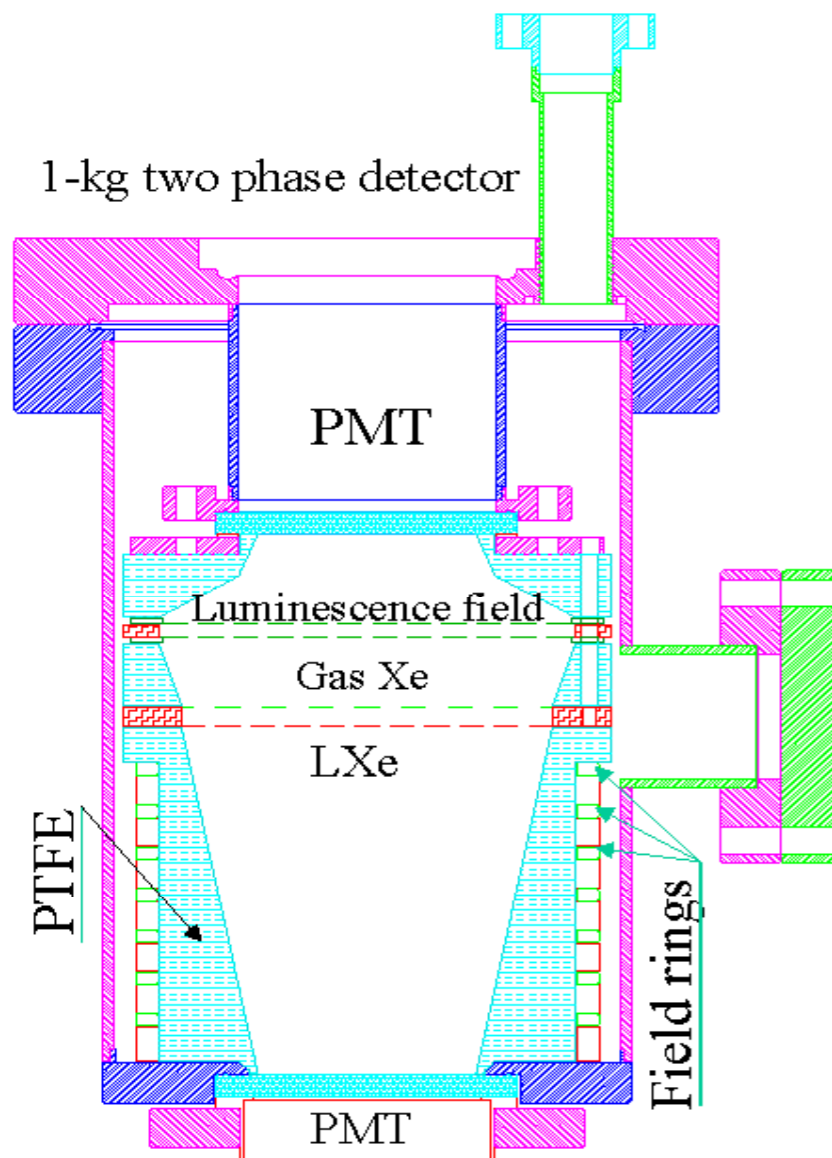


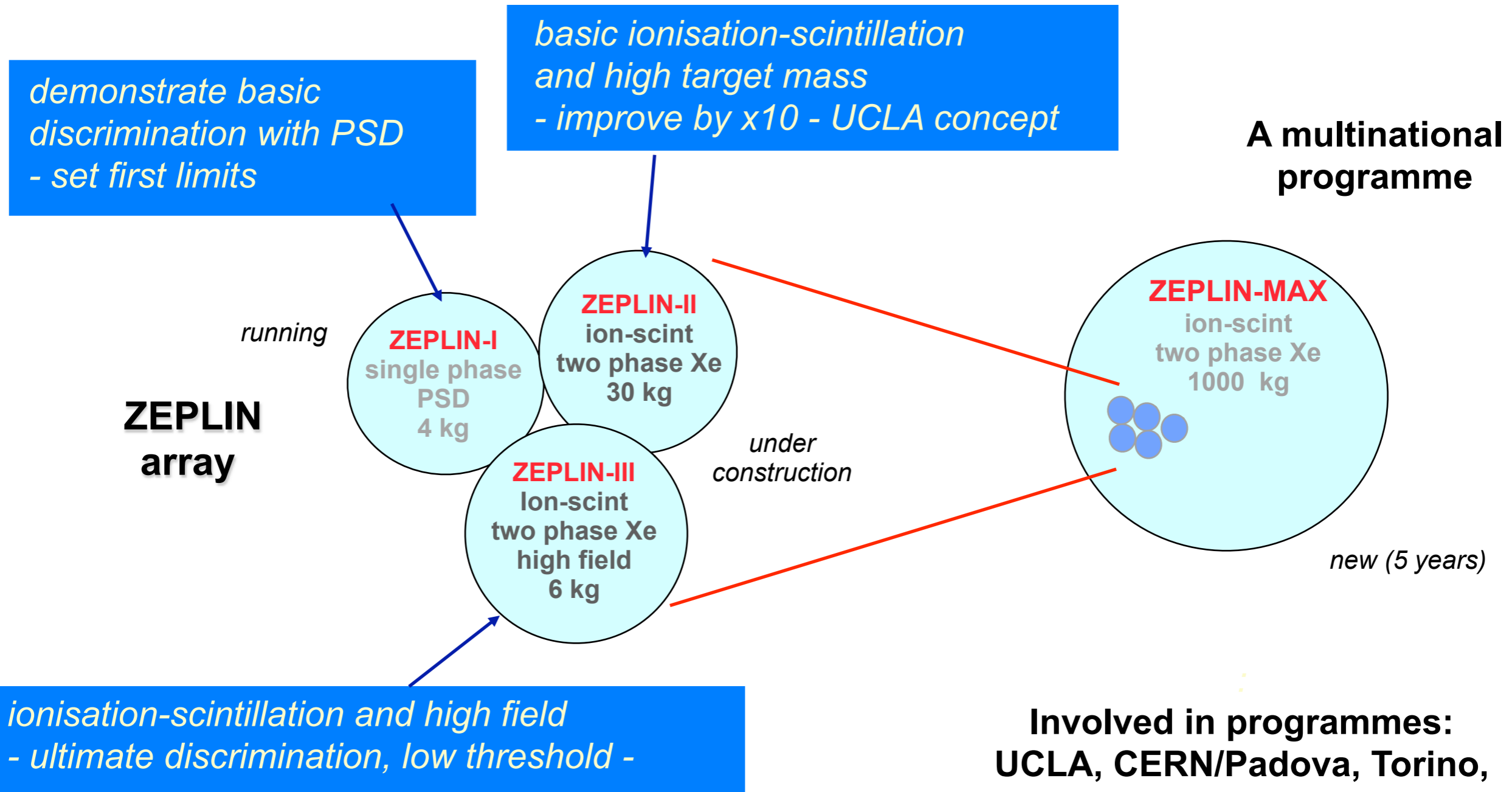
Figure 4. Secondary vs. primary scintillation plot in pure liquid Xe with mixed gamma-ray and neutron sources. The secondary scintillation are produced by proportional scintillation process in liquid Xe (top) and electroluminescent process in gaseous Xe (bottom).

Figure 3. ZEPLIN II: Electroluminescence in gas (principle of a two-phase, 1-kg detector, developed by UCLA-CERN-Torino).





# Boulby Collaboration Strategy



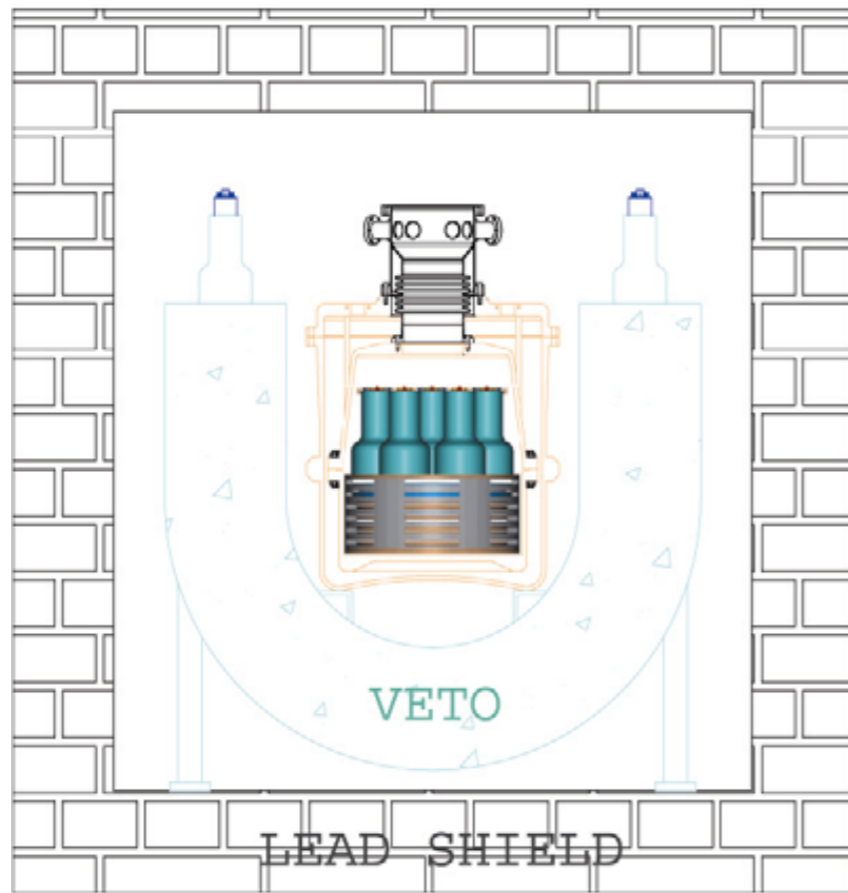


Figure 5a. System setup for Xe target (40 kg total): overall set up.

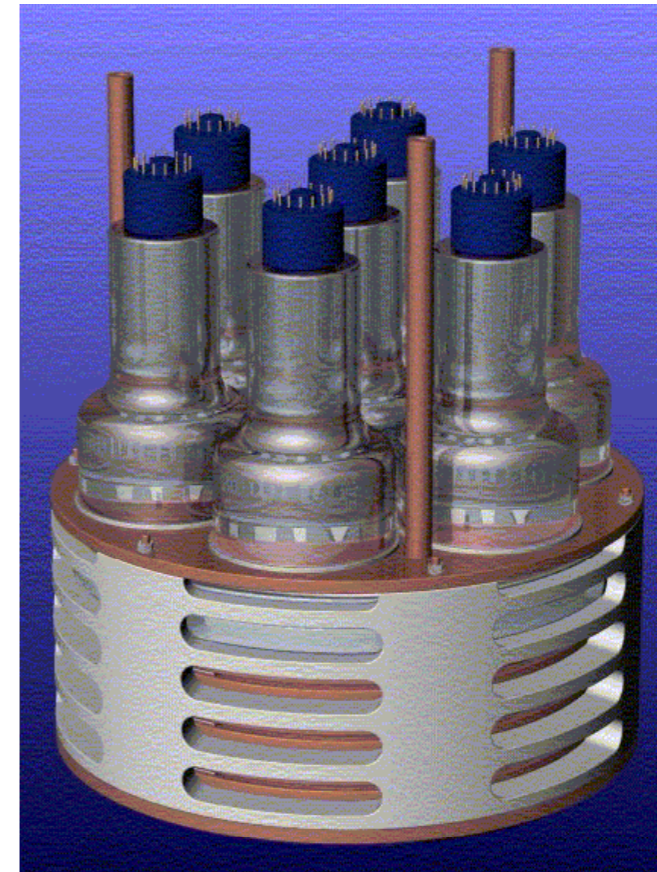


Figure 5b. ZEPLIN II central detector.

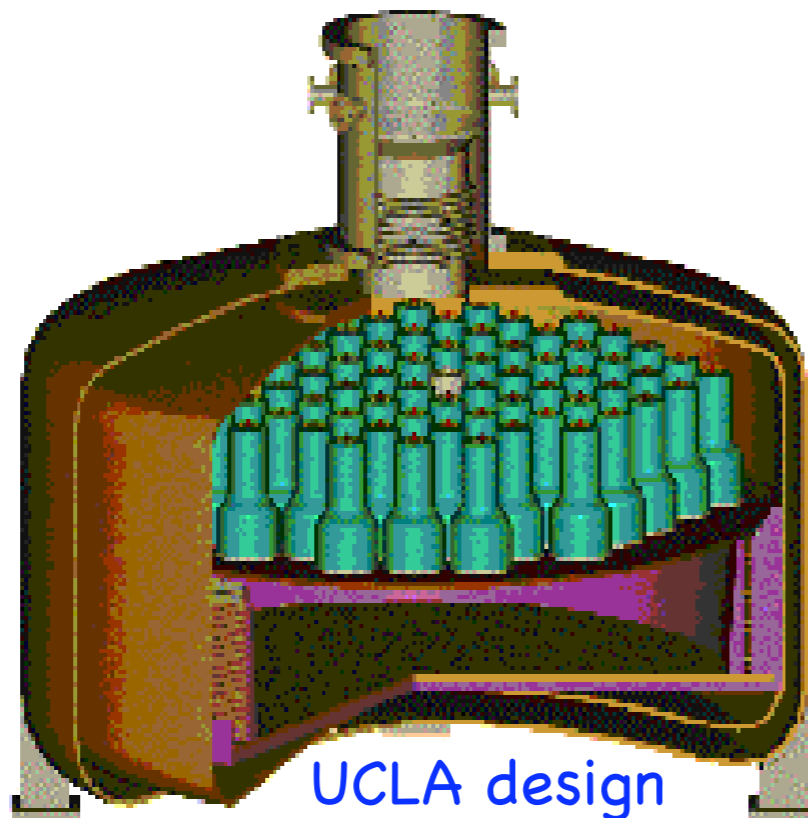


Figure 6. 1-ton scaled up (ZEPLIN IV) detector.

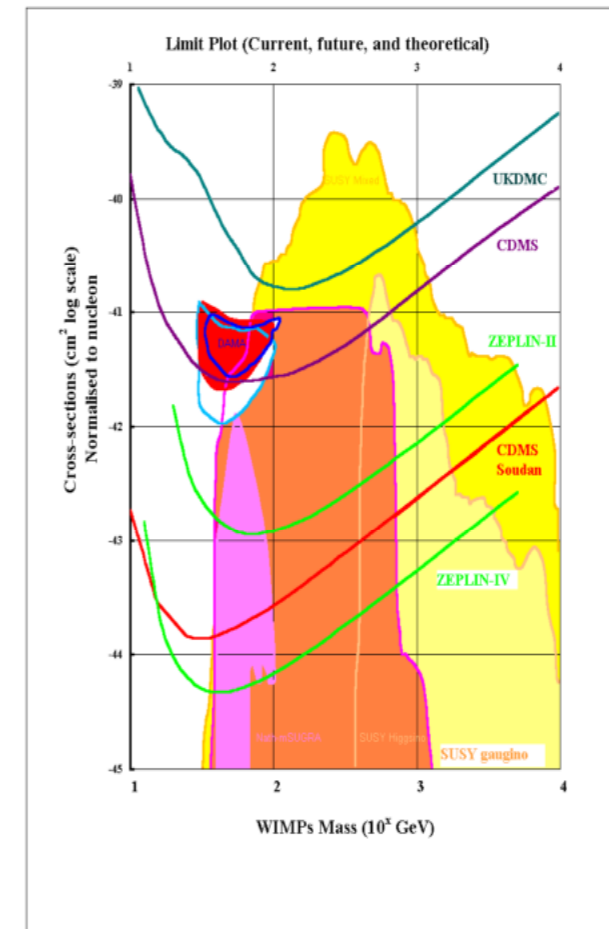


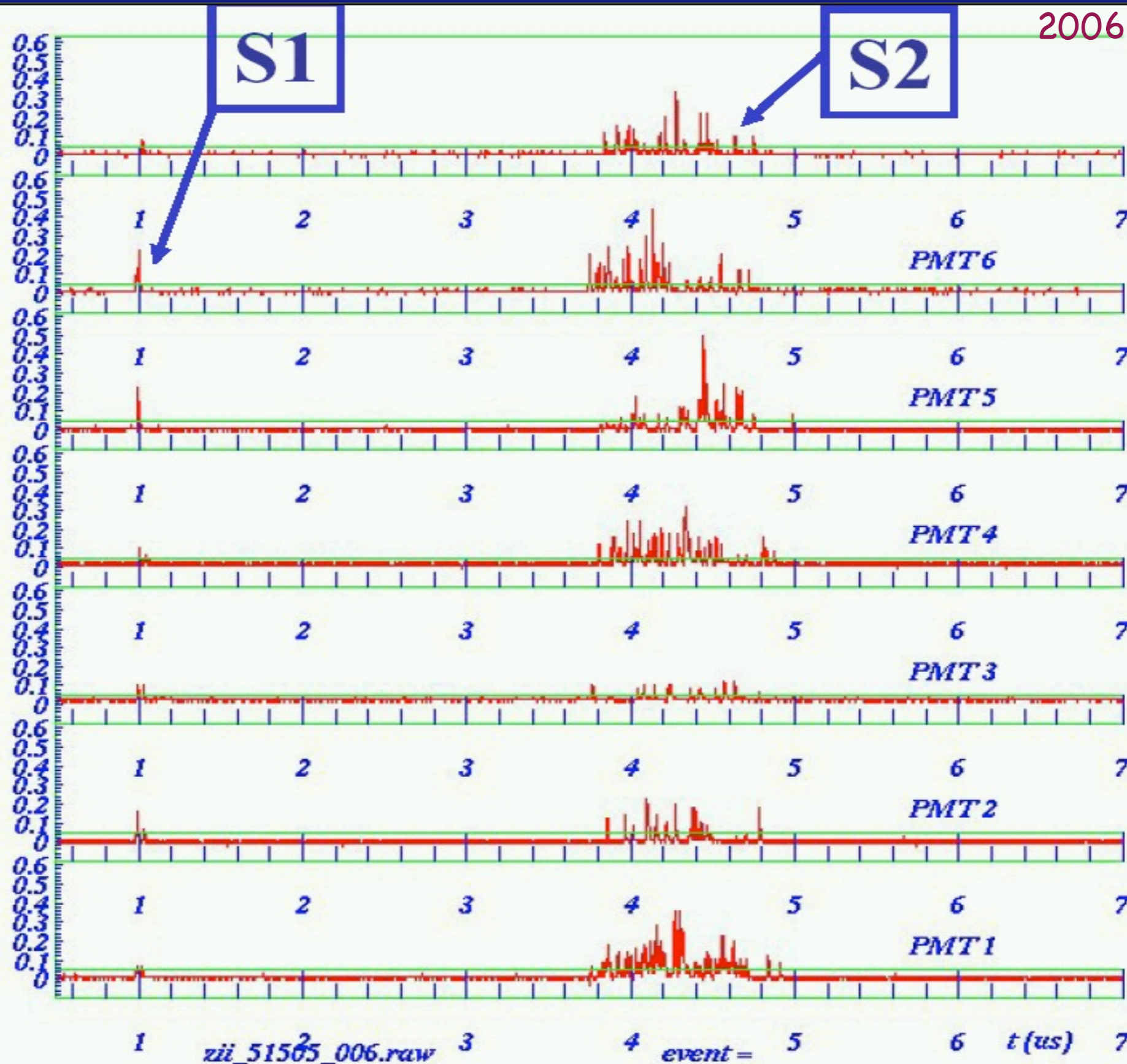
Figure 7. Limit plot (current, future and theoretical).

# ZEPLIN II



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## Recoil Event





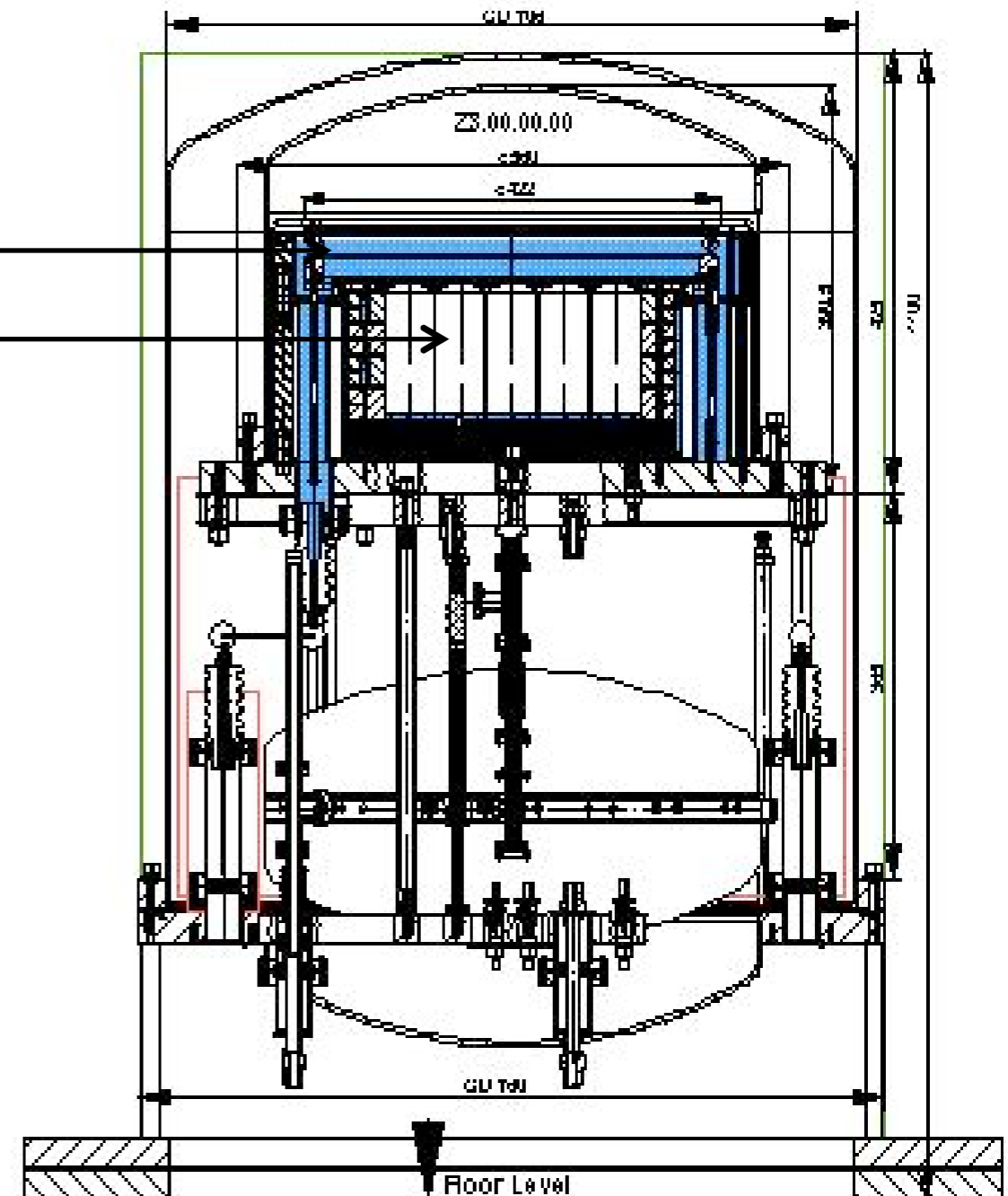
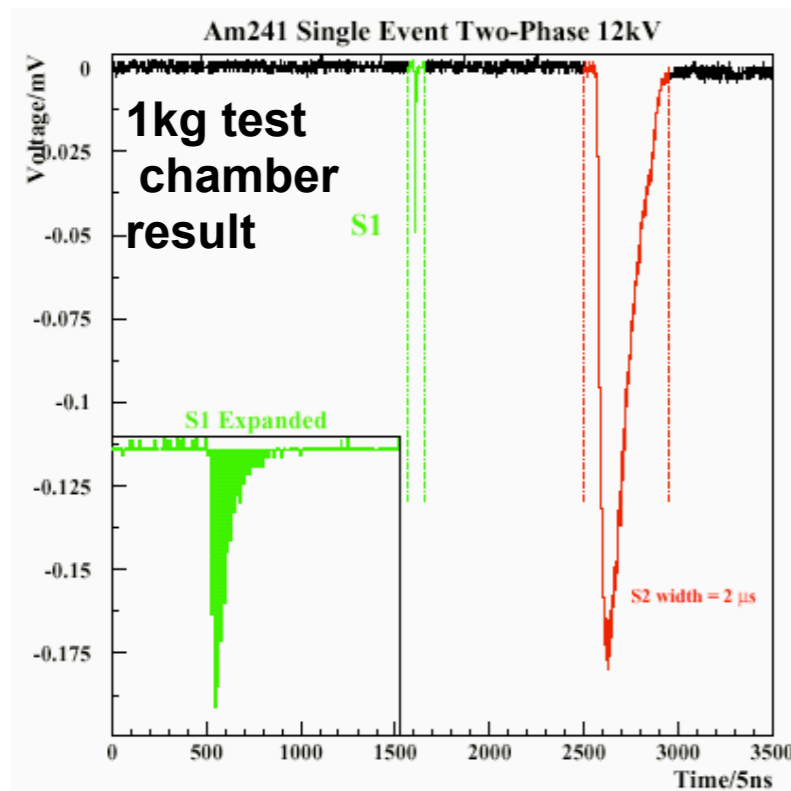
# ZEPLIN III

(UKDMC collaboration with US and Russia)

## ionisation-scintillation - low threshold

- 6 kg liquid Xe
- High field (20 kV) operation for better discrimination

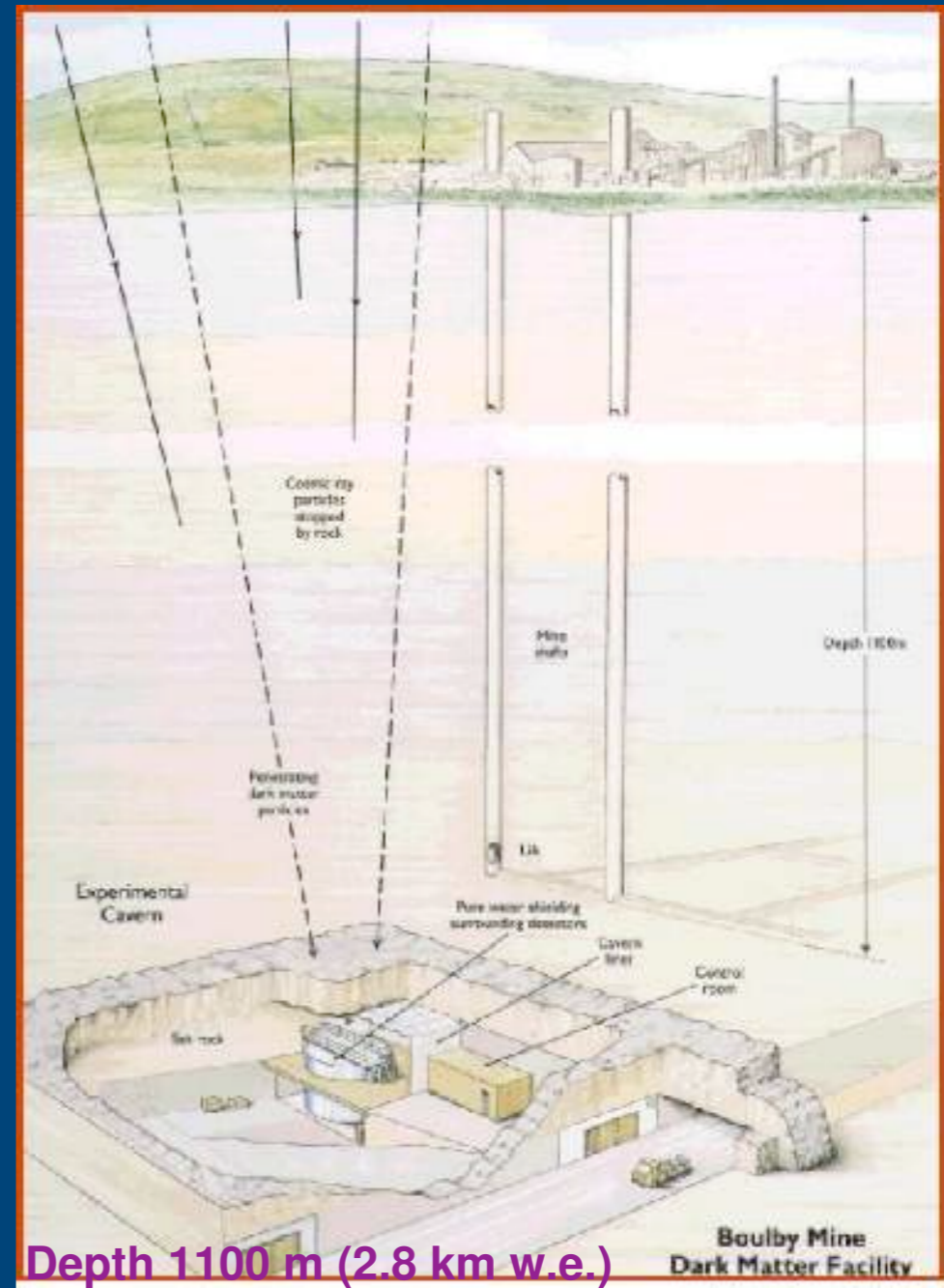
X  
31<sup>e</sup> two-inch photomultipliers



- Completion due end 2001

# *Zeplin III*

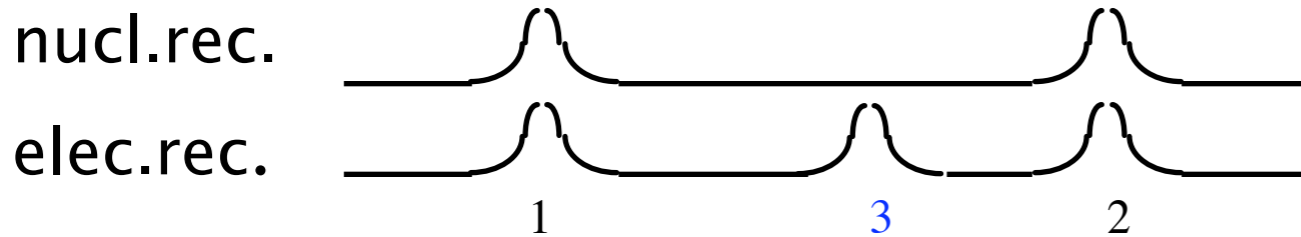
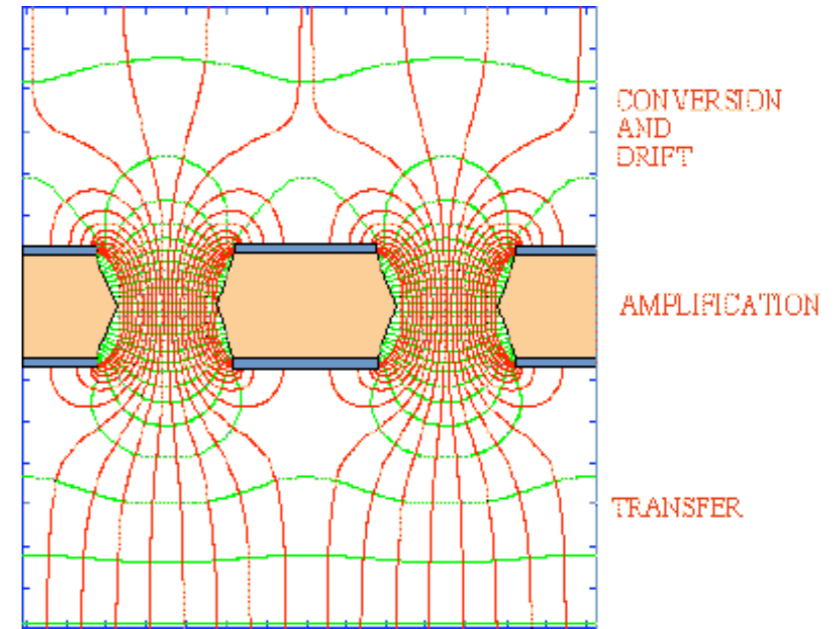
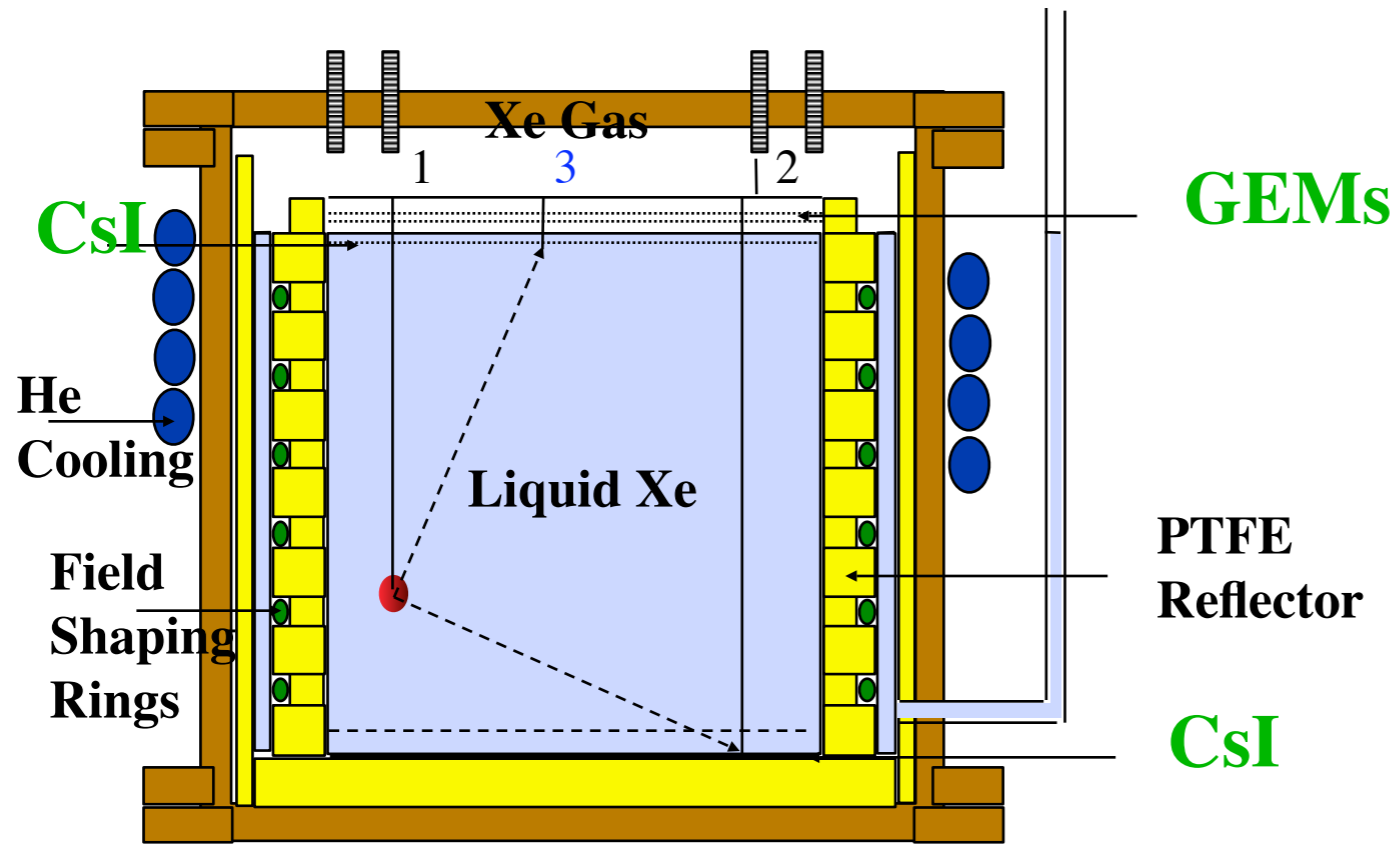
- Xenon detector for WIMP search
- Nuclear recoils from elastic scattering (WIMP – nucleus)
- Operate underground, at Boulby





# PMT Removal for Scale-Up?

- Sheffield test cell



Nuclear recoil signal events contain no (for low drift field) primary ionization between these two pulses.

CsI photocathodes in LXe: E.Aprile, NIMA 338 (1994), 328; NIMA 343 (1994), 121.

GEM phototubes in noble gases: <http://gdd.web.cern.ch/GDD/A.Buzulutskov>, NIMA, 443 (2000), 164.

# Summary of 1 Phase LXe

Phase	Project	Physics	Xe weight	detector	readout	year	location	collaboration
1	EXO	double beta	10ton (3m <sup>3</sup> )	TPC	x, y anode wires ; APD for lights , laser - ID	for 10 years	WIPP, NM, USA	Enriched Xenon Observator, US(SLAC), Canada, Swiss, Russia
			1ton			for 5 years		
			200kg			Nov., 2006		
1	XMASS	DM solar $\nu$ double beta	20ton	lights	PMT		Kamioka	Japan, Korea, Russia
			1ton (800kg)					
			100kg (30 $\ell$ )			2006		
1	MEG	$\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$	800 - 900 $\ell$	lights	PMT	Nov., 2006	PSI	Japan, Italy, Switzerland, Russia, USA
			70 $\ell$			2003		
1	LXe-GRIT	cosmic $\gamma$	2.4 $\ell$	TPC	x, y anode wires ; PMT for lights	1997, 1999, 2000	NSBF (National Science Baloon Facility),NM, USA	Columbia university
1	LXe-PET	PET	64.8 $\ell$	TPC	segmented pads	2007 (prototype)	Nantes Cyclotron	France, Japan
1	PETYA	PET		drift chamber	anode wires or mini-strip ; PMT, APD for lights	2002 (prototype)	Univ. of Coimbra	Portugal
1	TOF-PET	PET	77.8 $\ell$	lights	PMT		Waseda univ., NIRS	Japan
			12 $\ell$			2003		
1	XEPET	PET	test w/ 8.5 $\ell$ in 2005	TPC	12 seg. 96wires & 96strips/seg.	2006-2008	TRIUMF	CANADA

# Summary of 2 Phase LXe

Phase	Project	Physics	Xe weight	detector	readout	year	location	collaboration
2	LXeComp/ <sup>44</sup> Sc	PET	100 ℓ	TPC	anode pads ; GPM for lights	simulation	Nantes Cyclotron	France, Israel, Japan
		micro-PET	13.8 ℓ , 6.9 ℓ			simulation		
			0.1 ℓ			2005		
2	GEM-based	PET		TPC	GEM	2003	Budker Institute	Russia
2	US patent 5665971	PET		TPC		1997	Columbia university	USA
2	XENON	DM (WINP)	1ton:100kgx10	TPC	PMT, GEM		Gran Sasso undergroun d lab	US, Italy,Portugal
			100kg			design		
			10kg			2006		
			3kg			2005		
2	ZEPLIN	DM (WINP)	1ton (IV?)	TPC	PMT, GEM		Boulby, UK	UK, US, Italy, Russia, Portugal
			30kg (II)			2006		
			6kg (III)			2006		



Detector

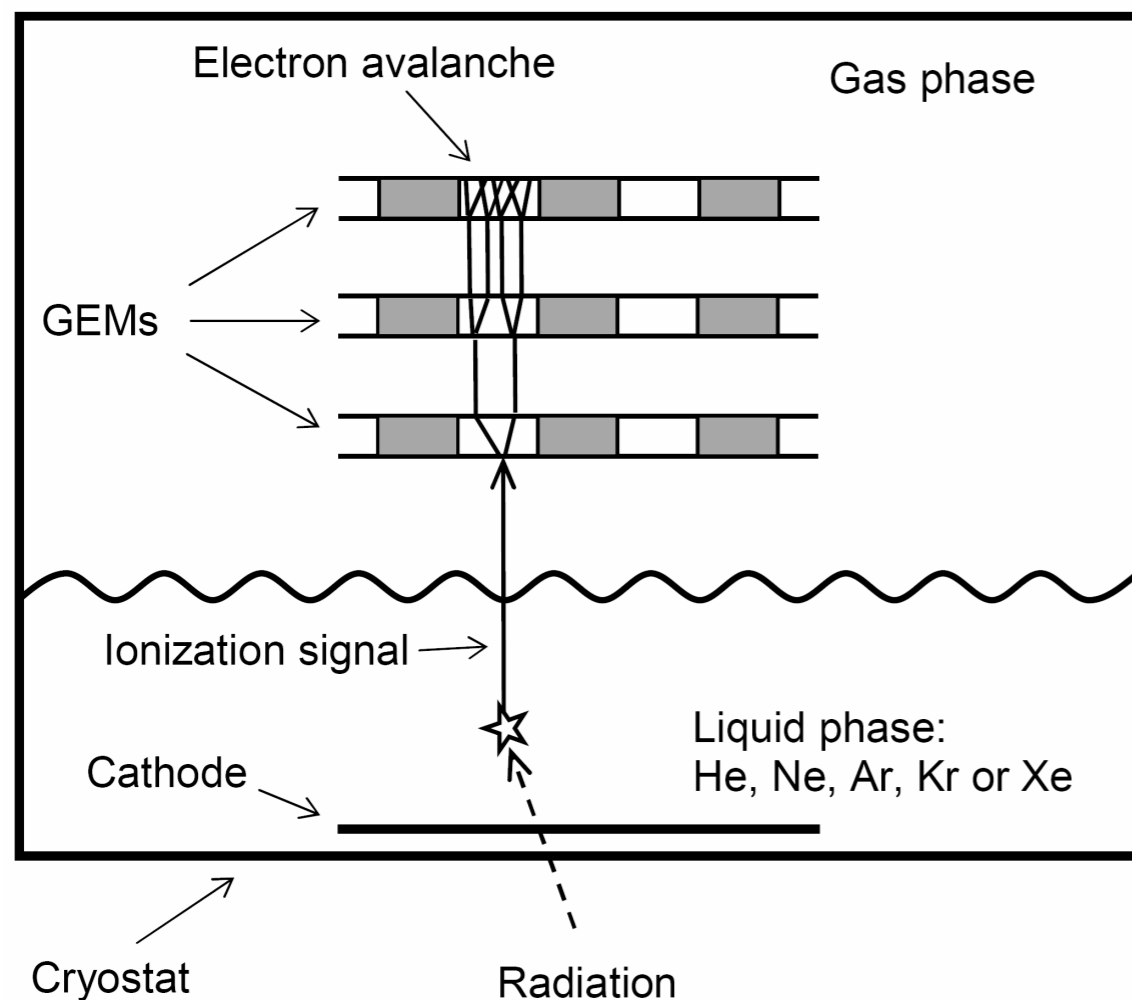
# GEM: Gas Electron Multipliers

Two-phase argon and xenon avalanche detectors based on Gas Electron Multipliers

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[www.arxiv.org/physics/0510266](http://www.arxiv.org/physics/0510266)

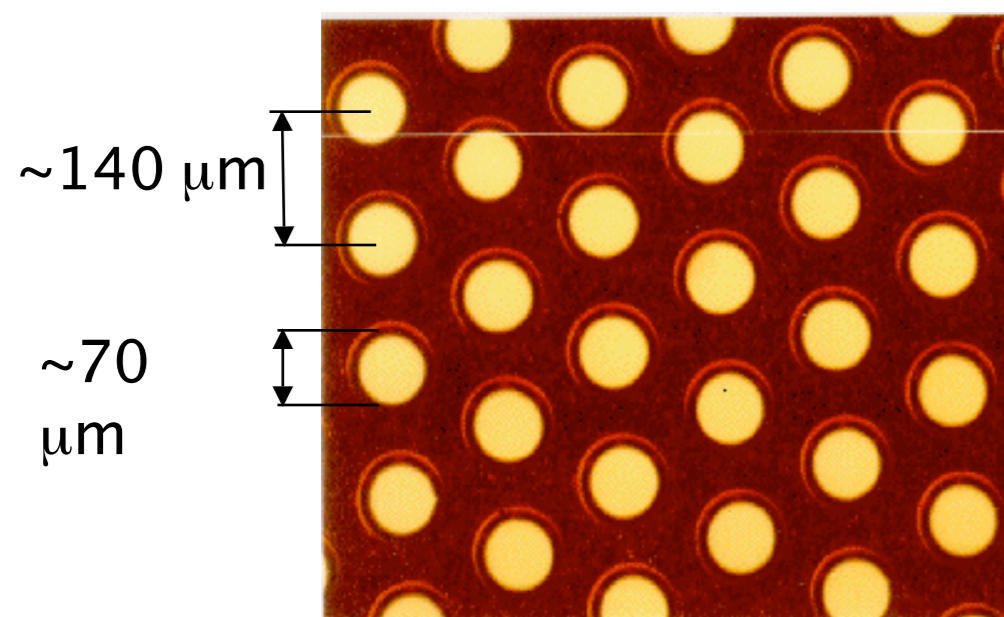


Foils :  $28 \times 28 \text{ mm}^2$  each, and a cathode mesh were mounted in a cryogenic vacuum-insulated chamber of a volume of 2.5 l. The distances between the first GEM and the cathode, and between the GEMs, were 6 and 2 mm, respectively.

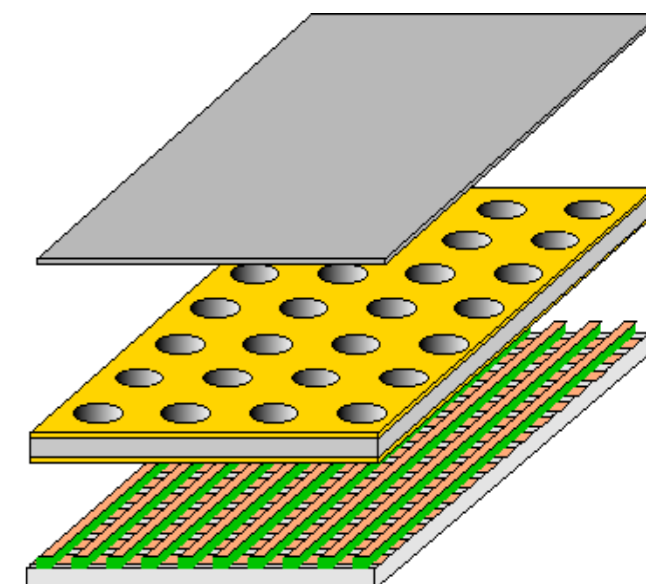
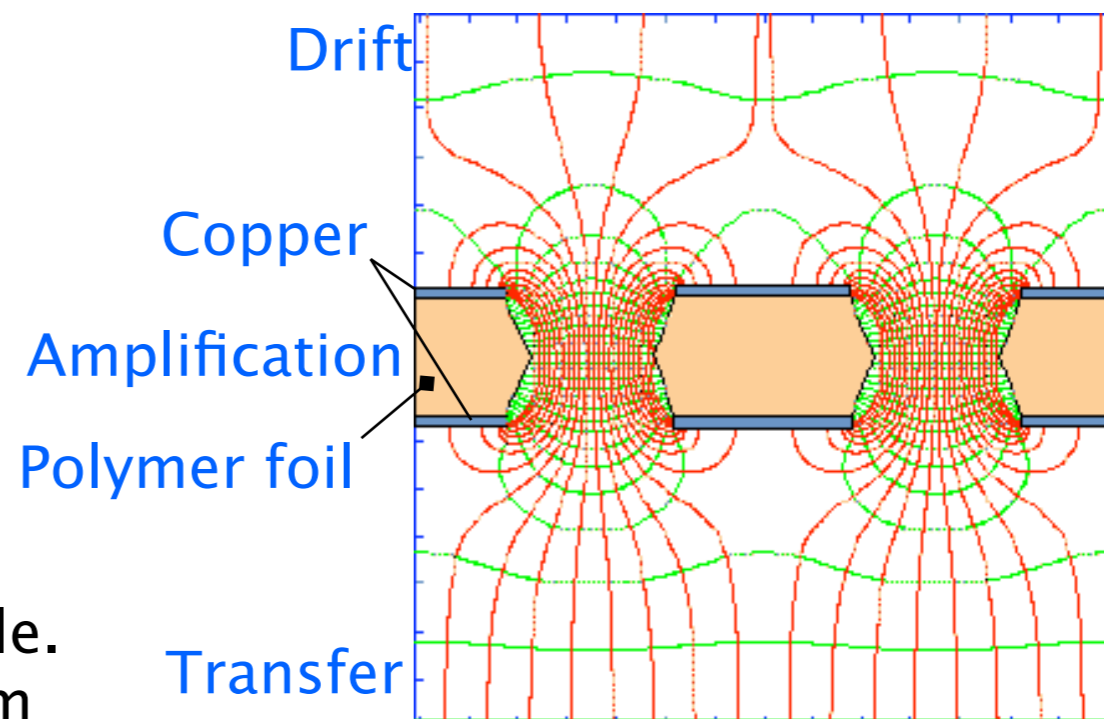
# The Gas Electron Multiplier GEM

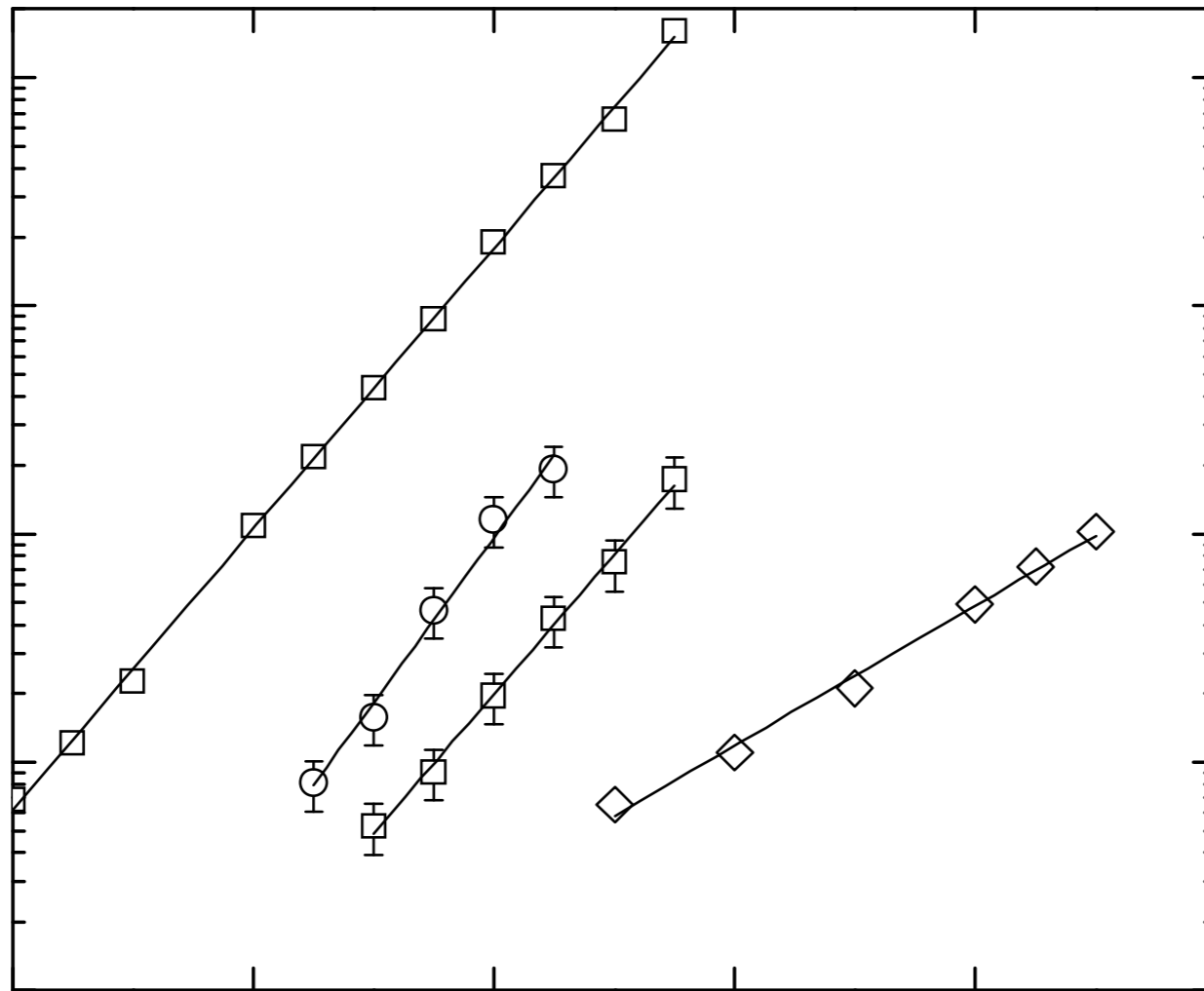
A GEM (F. Sauli, 1997) is a thin metal-insulator-metal structure, densely perforated with small holes. A voltage across the metal layers generates a sufficiently strong field within the holes to focus the electrons and multiply them.

The GEM is technically realized at CERN through copper-coating on 50  $\mu\text{m}$  thick kapton (polymer) foil, with chemically etched holes of conical profile. A standard GEM has a hexagonal pattern of 70  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter holes in the metal, 55  $\mu\text{m}$  in the foil, with a pitch of 140  $\mu\text{m}$ .



A 2D readout of strip anodes on the transfer side of the GEM can provide  $\sim 1$  mm spatial resolution.





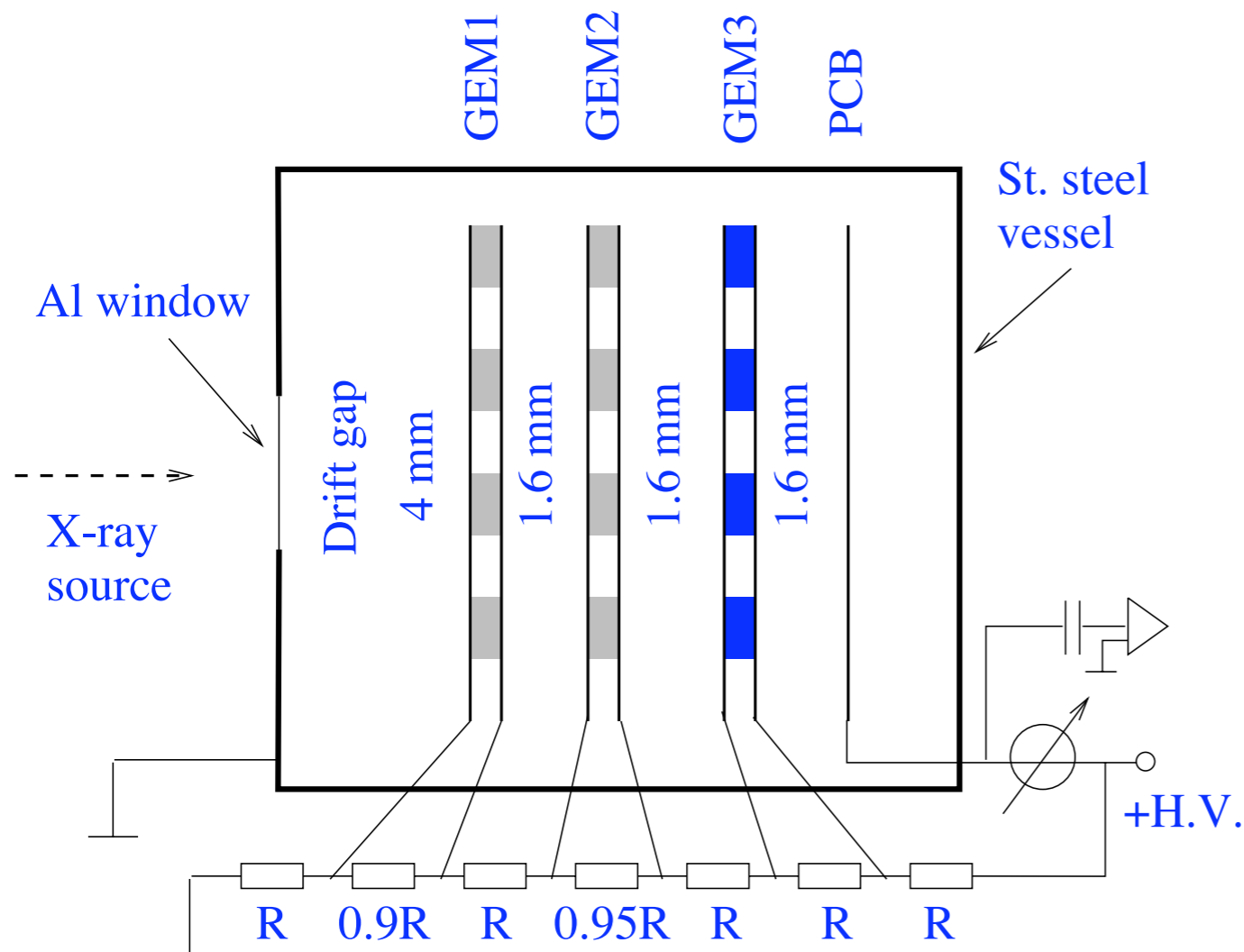
Preliminary results were obtained in the two-phase Xe avalanche detector: the maximum gain of the triple-GEM in two-phase Xe and Xe+2%CH<sub>4</sub> was about 200.

# High pressure operation of the triple-GEMdetector in pure Ne, Ar and Xe

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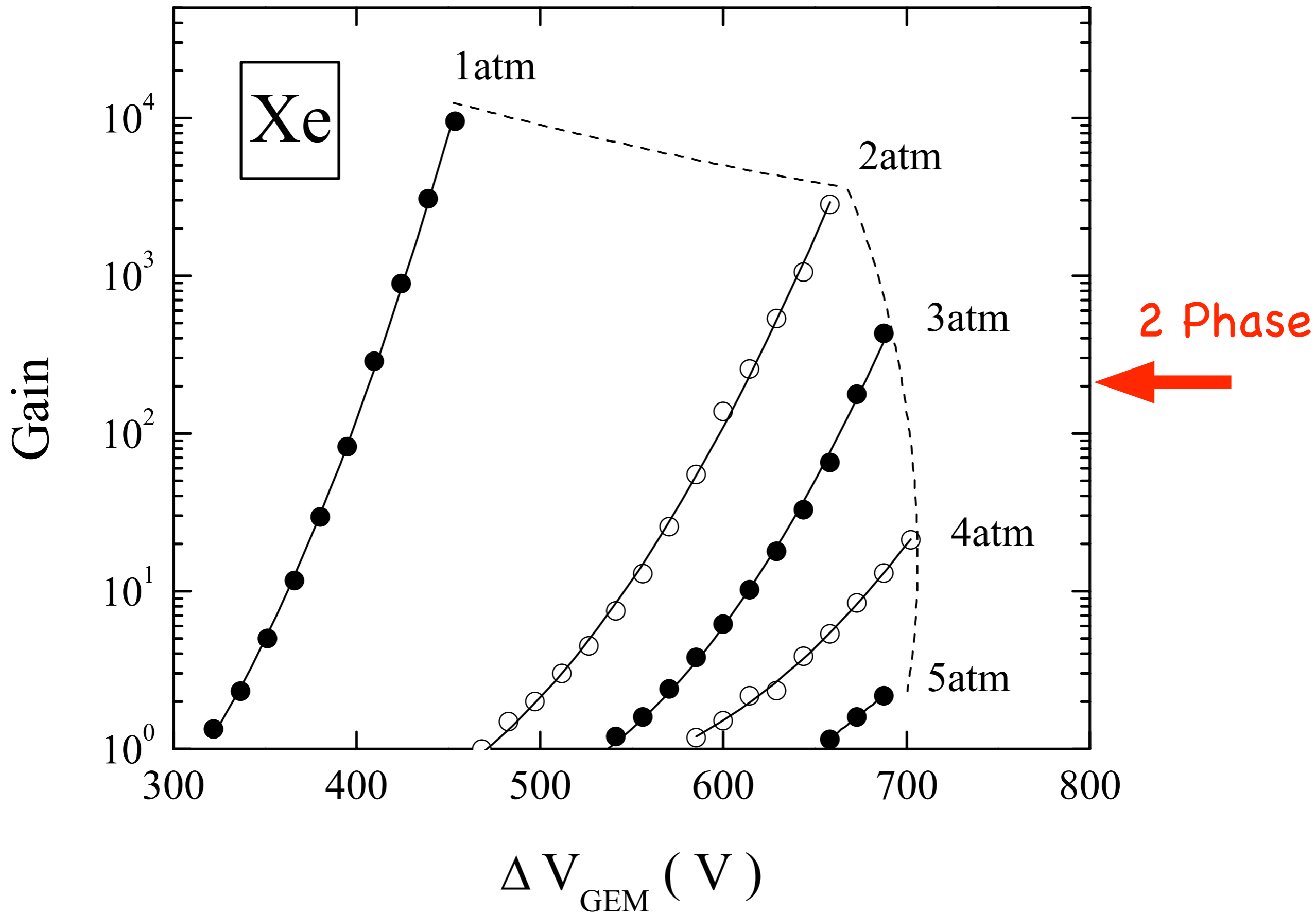
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GEM foils (50  $\mu\text{m}$  thick kapton, 80  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter and 140  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch holes, 28 $\times$ 28 mm<sup>2</sup> active area) and a printed circuit board (PCB), mounted in cascade with 1.6 mm gaps

the density of noble gases near the boiling point, at normal pressure, is higher compared to that at room temperature.

Xe : higher density by 1.6 times



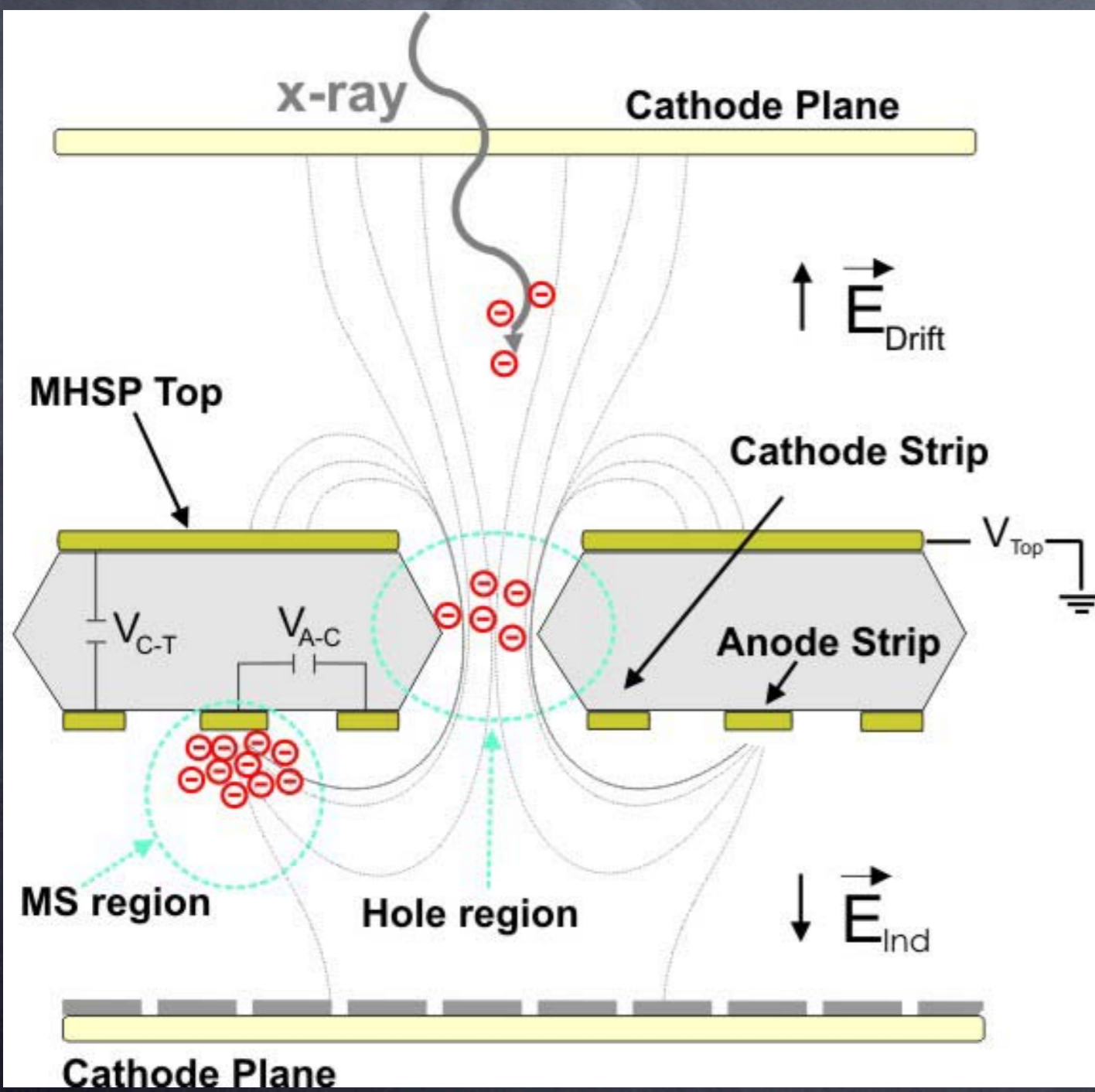
# MHSP : Micro-Hole & Strip Plate electron multiplier

hole multiplication followed by anode-strip multiplication

GEM-like

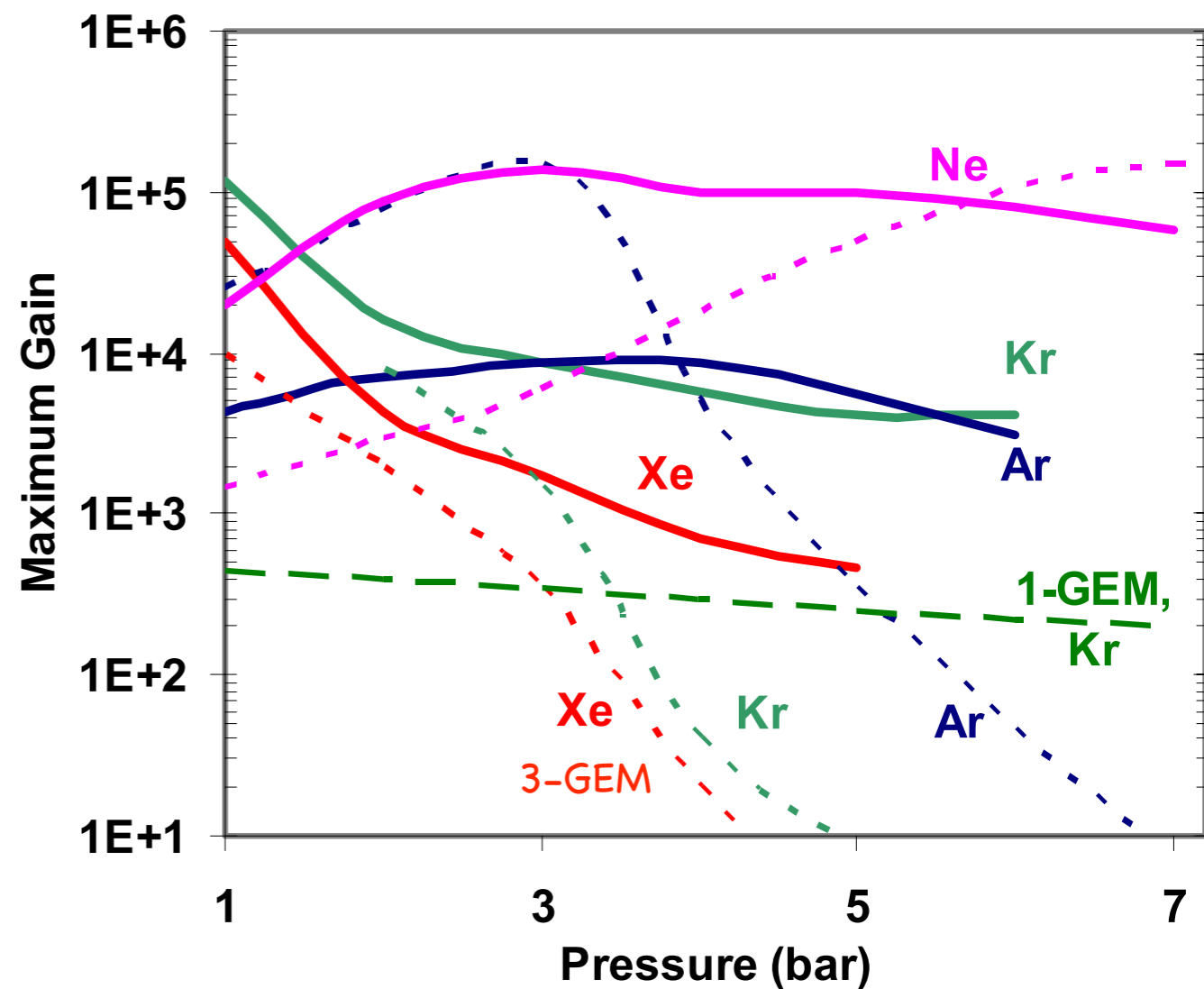
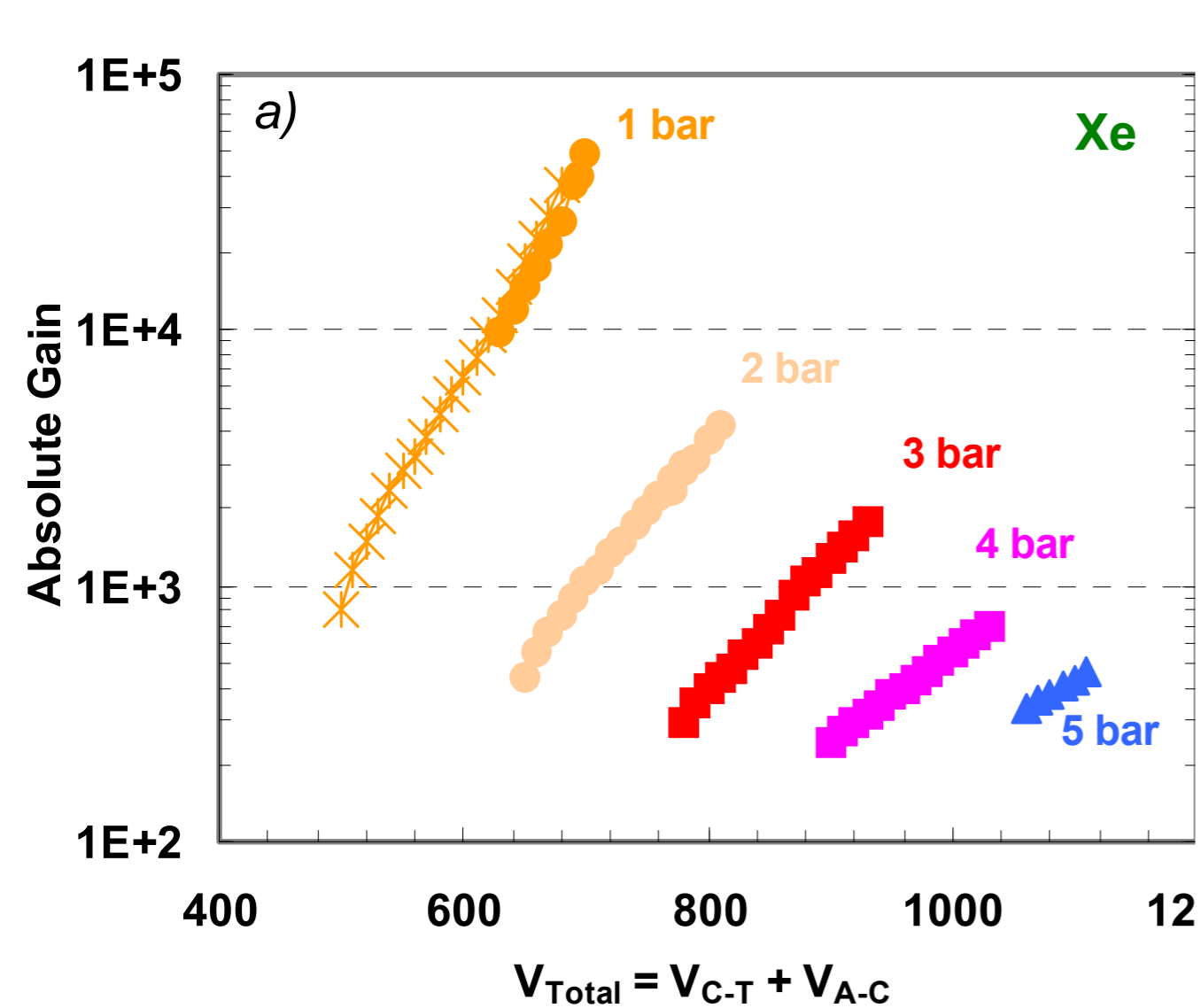
MSGC-like

good optical screening of avalanche photons



28 x 28 mm<sup>2</sup>, 50  $\mu$ m thick Kapton with a 5  $\mu$ m copper clad coating on both sides.

bi-conical holes of about 40/70  $\mu$ m in diameter, arranged in an asymmetric hexagonal lattice of 140- and 200- $\mu$ m pitch in the direction parallel and perpendicular to the strips pattern in the bottom side, with the holes centered within the cathode strips,  $\sim$ 100  $\mu$ m wide, while the anodes,  $\sim$ 35  $\mu$ m wide, run between them, in a 200  $\mu$ m pitch



[arxiv.org/pdf/physics/0601120](https://arxiv.org/pdf/physics/0601120)

Operation of MHSP multipliers in high pressure pure noble-gas F. D.

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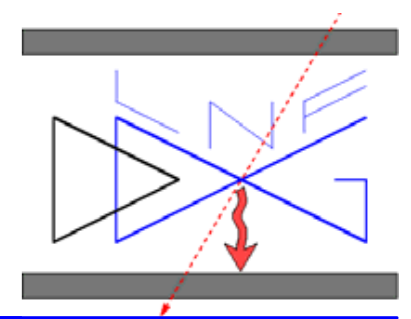


Small

Animal

PET

# Small Animal PET



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microPET, ClearPET

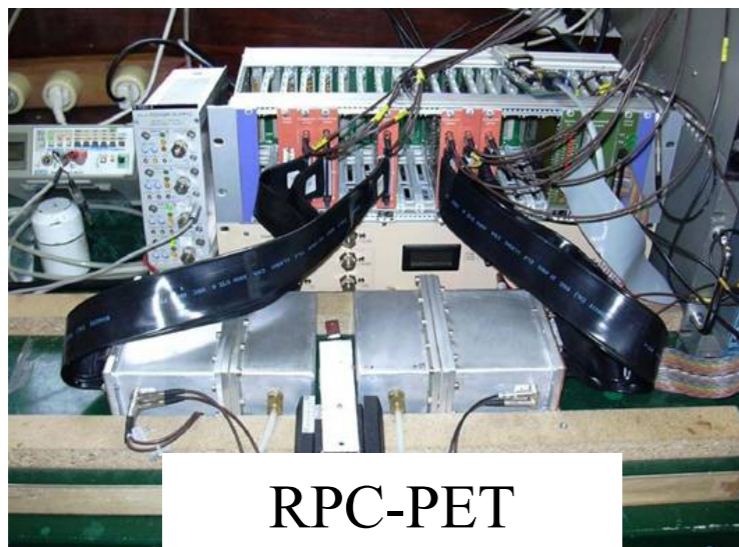
HIDAC (MWPC with Pb converter)  
RPC-PET (RPC with Cu converter)

Spatial resolution: 2mm FWHM

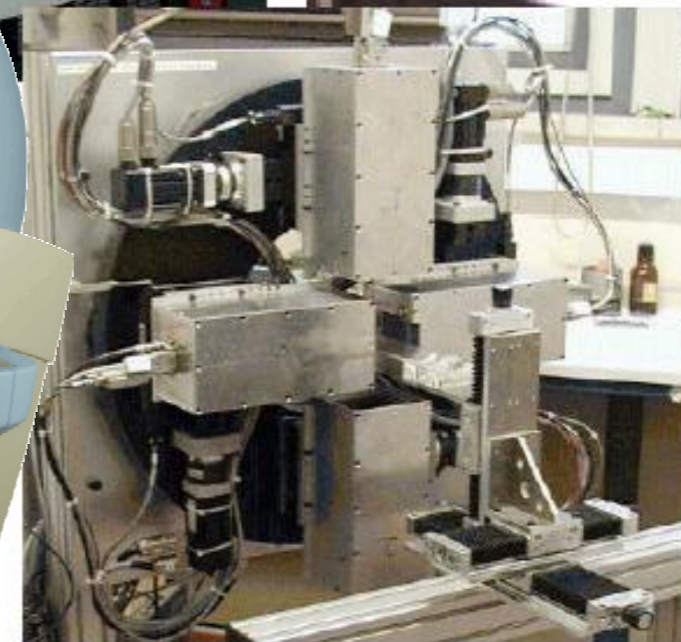
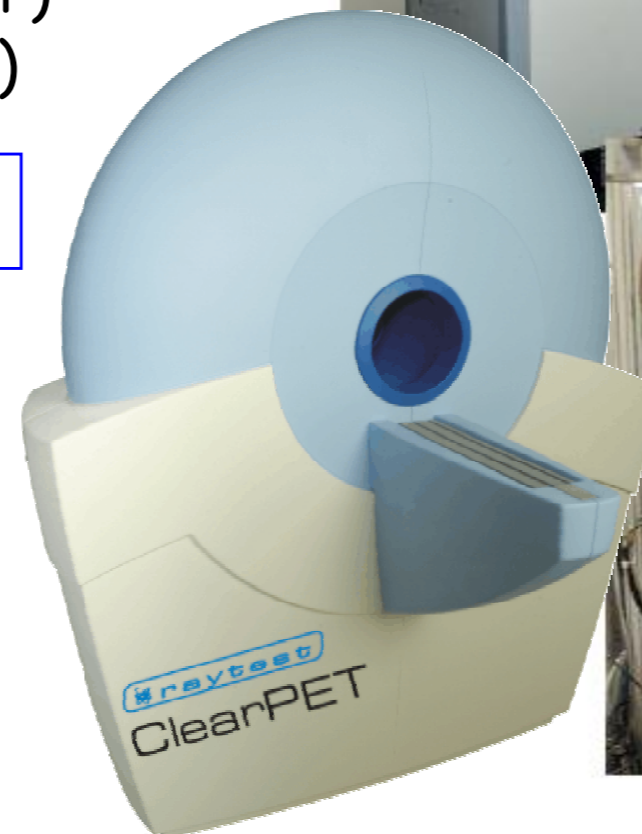
HIDAC



microPET™

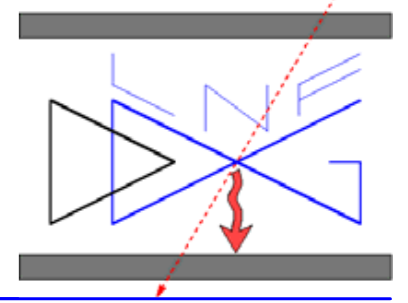


RPC-PET



YAP-PET

# SPECT and PET



morphologic and physiologic

SPECT

PET

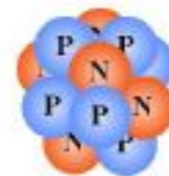
$^{99m}\text{Tc}$



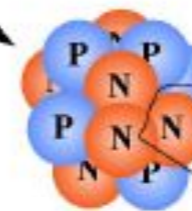
141 keV  $\gamma$



$^{18}\text{F}$  FDG



$^{16}\text{O}$



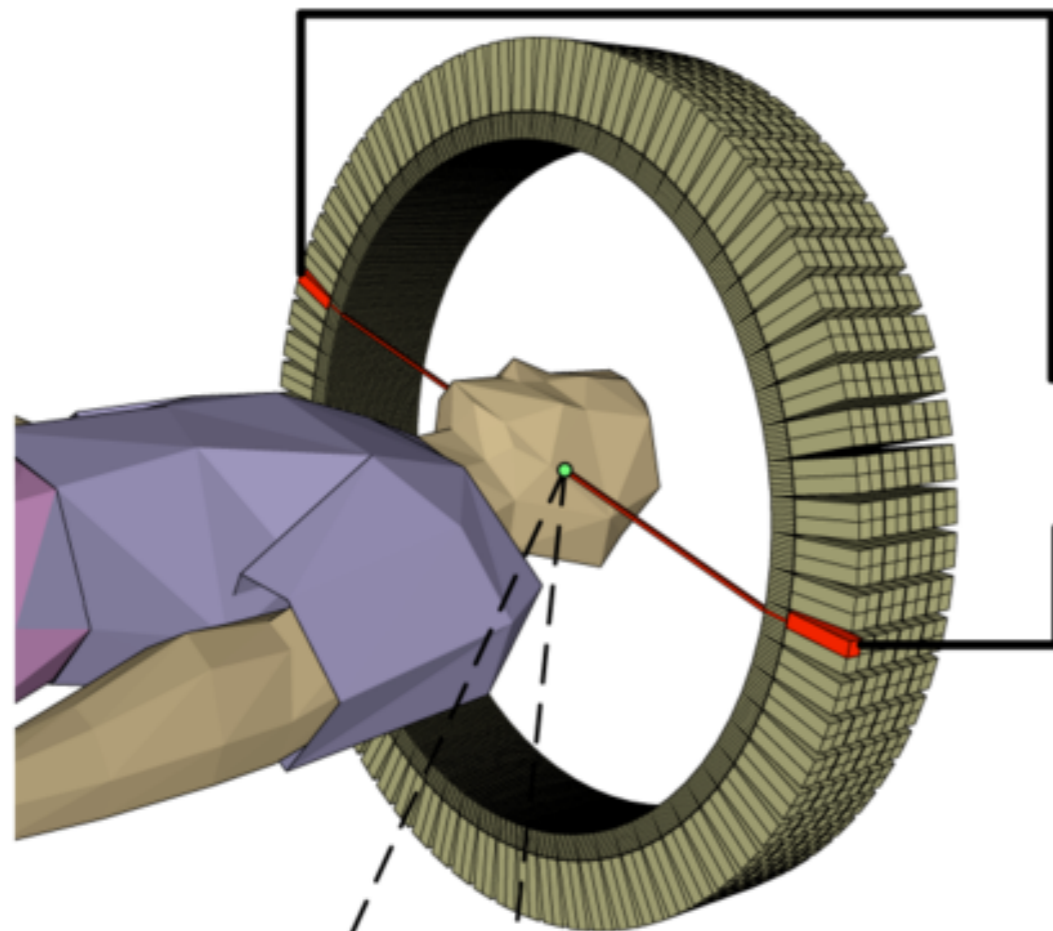
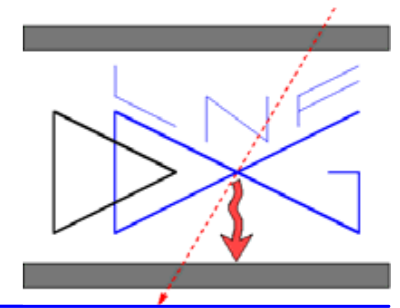
$\nu_e$

$\gamma$  511 keV

$\gamma$  511 keV

Positron combines with electron and annihilates

# Positron Emission Tomography

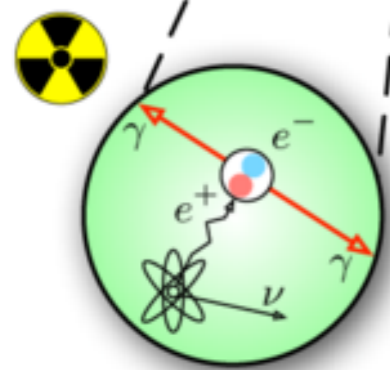
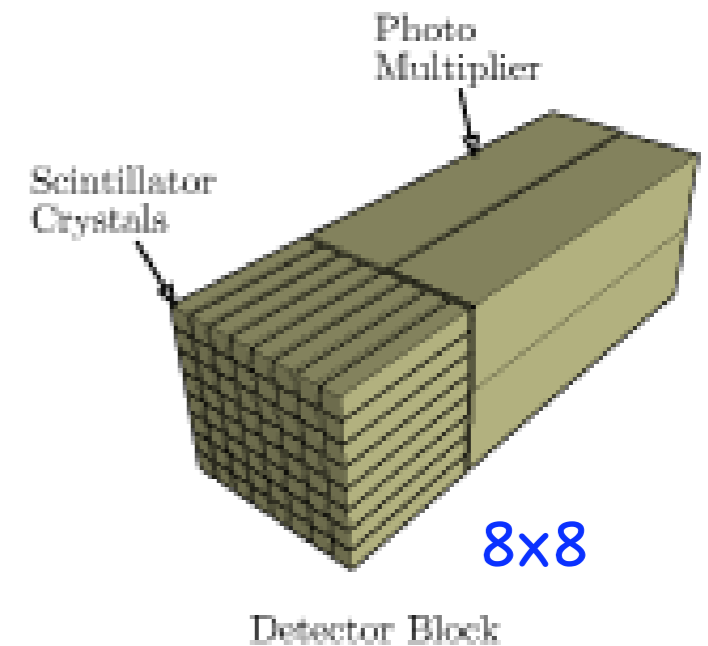


Coincidence unit of 2 anti-parallel photons

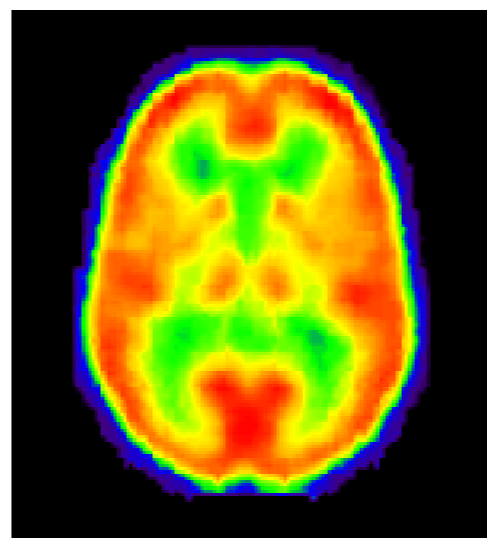
Tomographic reconstruction

Scintillator crystal  
Multi-anode PMT

$2 \times 2 \times 10 \text{mm}^3$   
micro-, Clear-PET

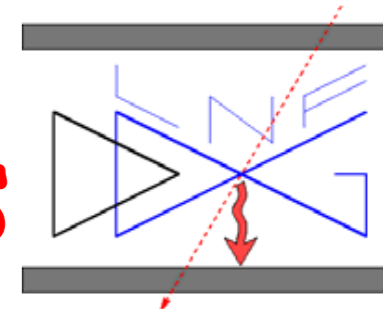


Annihilation



Typical image resolution  
 $5 \div 10 \text{ mm}$

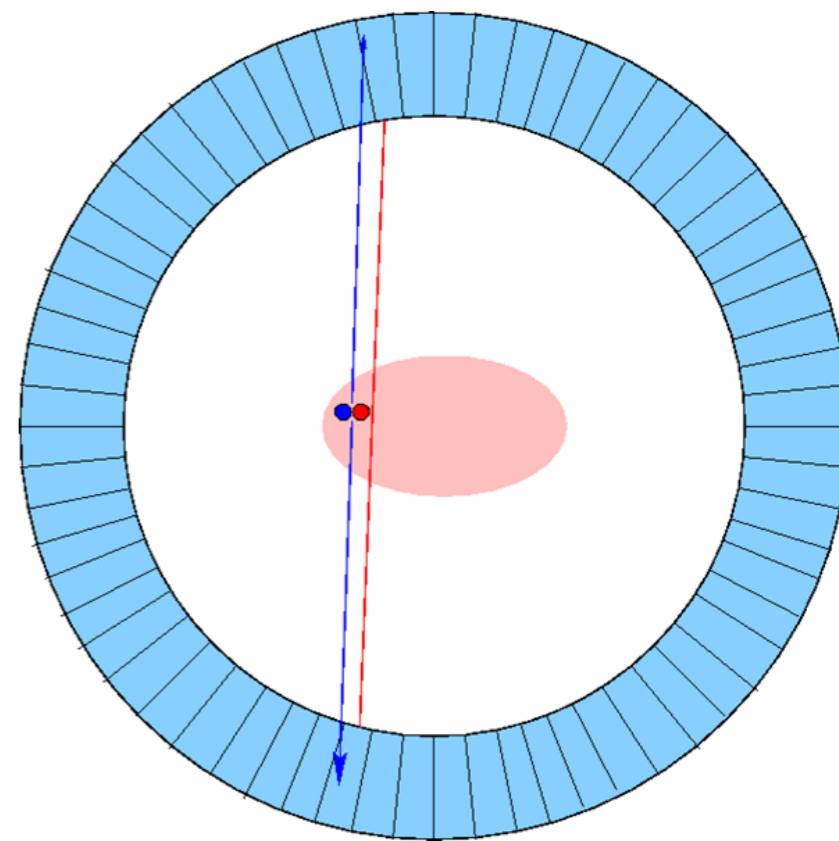
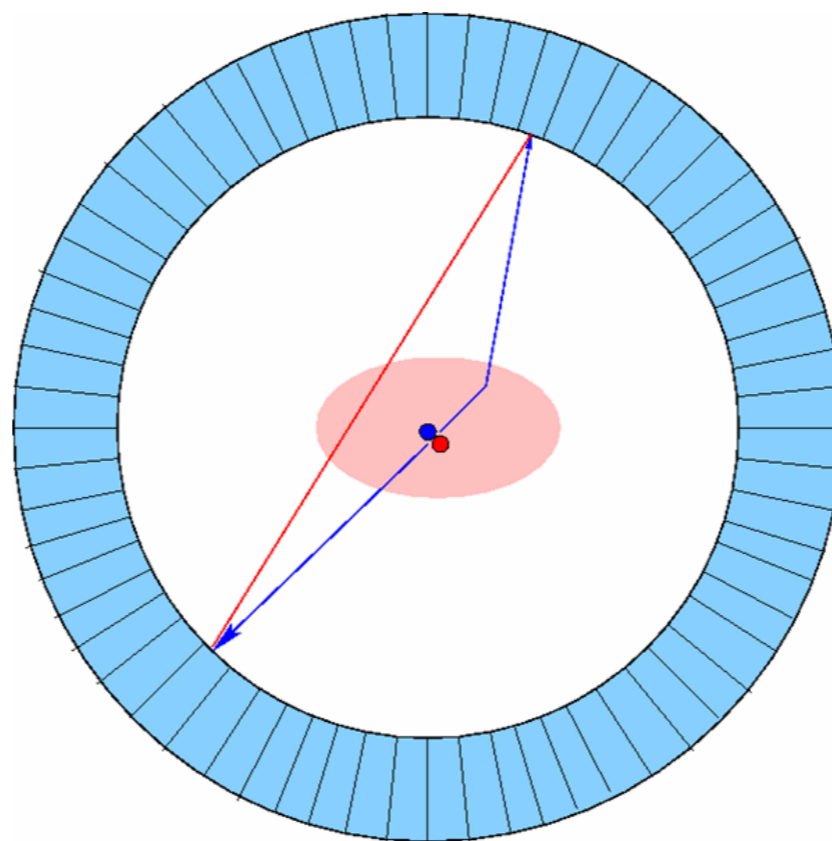
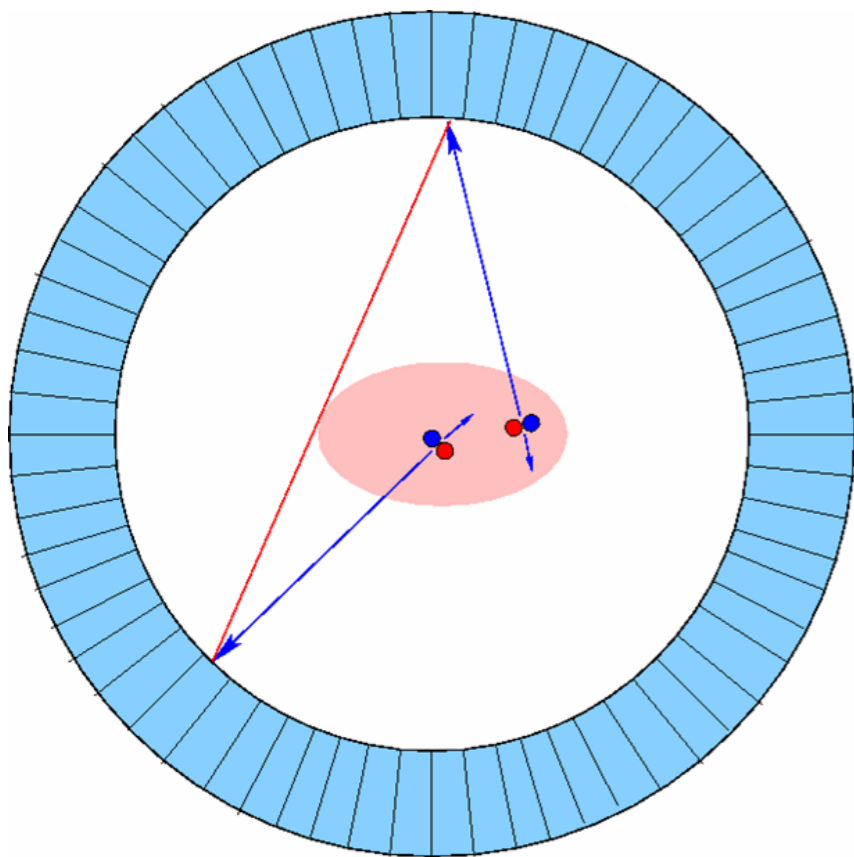
# PET Image Degradation Sources



Scattered events

Off-center emission  
Parallax error

Random coincidences

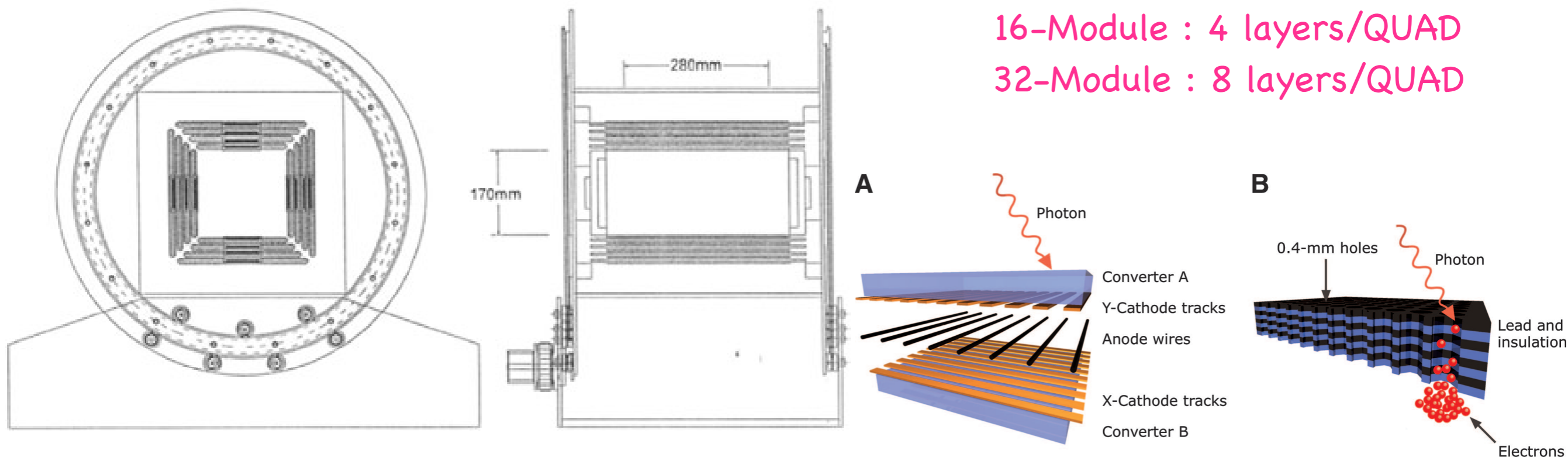


# HIDAC

## High Density Avalanche Chamber

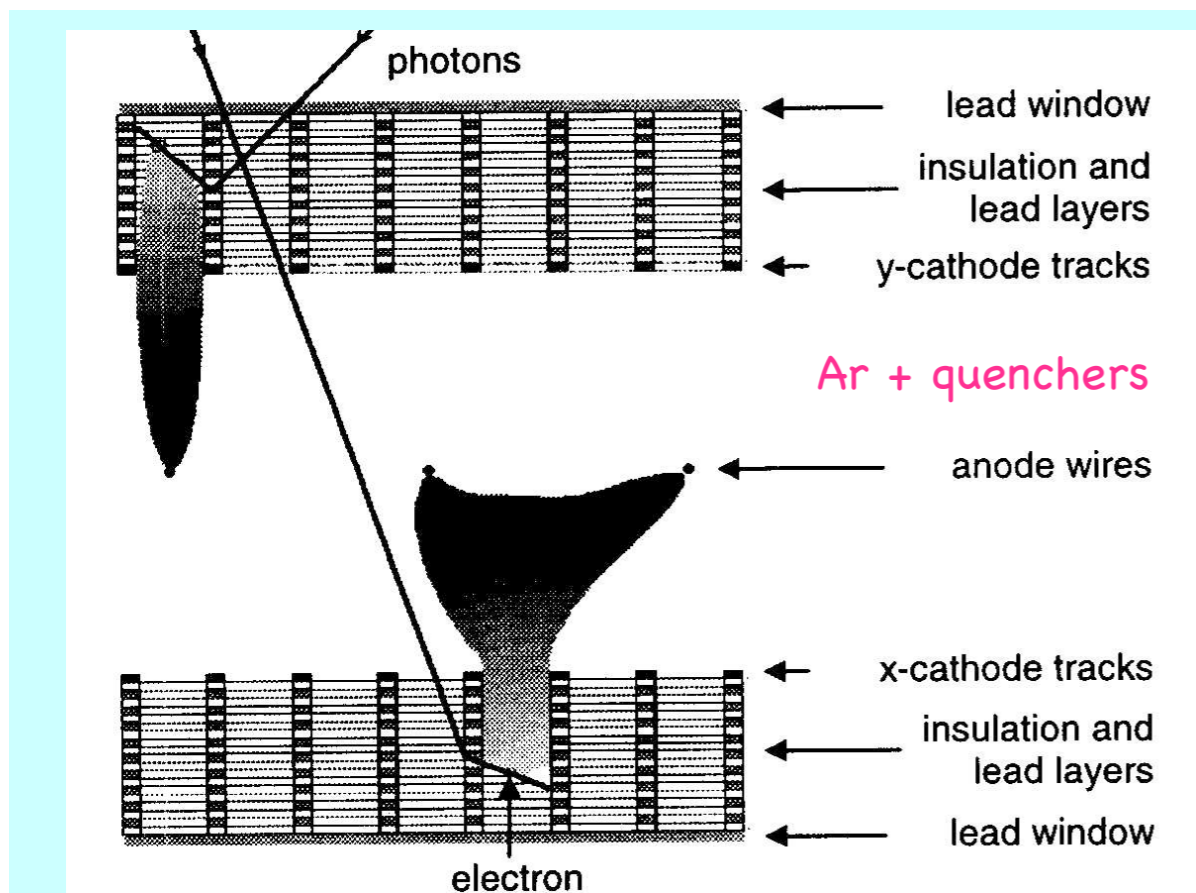
QUAD-HIDAC-16

Oxford Positron System, UK



16-Module : 4 layers/QUAD  
32-Module : 8 layers/QUAD

**Figure 1.** Schematic design of quad-HIDAC tomograph detector configuration. The 16 modules are clearly visible.

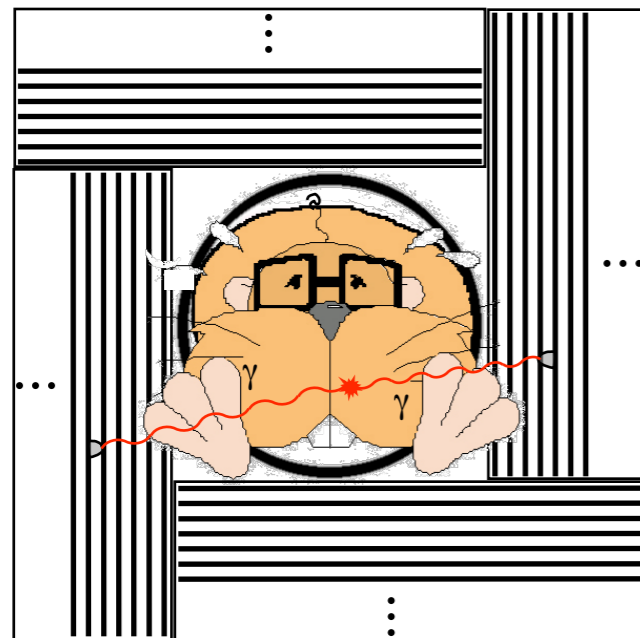


**Table 1.** Selected system parameters of 16-module quad-HIDAC small animal PET tomograph. The reconstructed image size is specified in terms of diameter and length of the field-of-view.

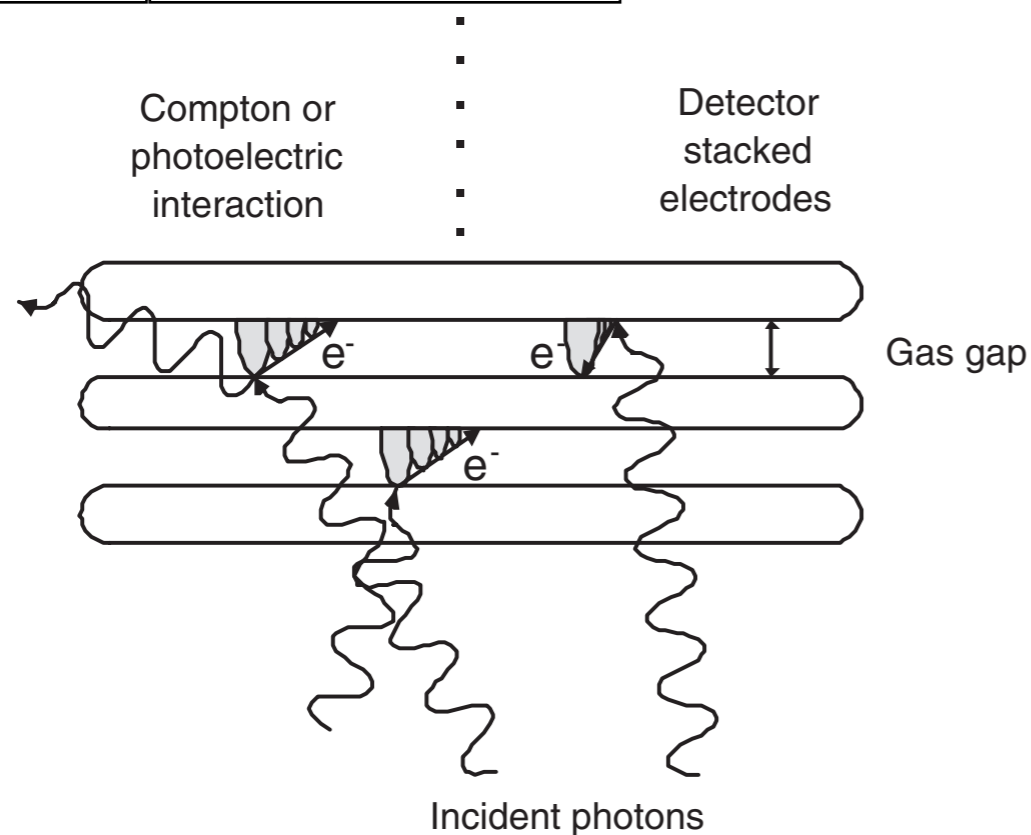
	Detector	
Hole diameter		0.4 mm
Separation between hole centres		0.5 mm
Cathode track separation		1 mm
Anode wire separation		1.5 mm
Lead thickness/module		$12 \times 50 \mu\text{m}$
Coincidence window		40 ns
	Dimensions	
Detector length		280 mm
Inner detector separation		170 mm
	Data sets	
List mode file size		$\sim 100 \text{ MB}/10^7 \text{ counts}$
Typical binning percentage		90%
Reconstructed image size: 60 mm $\times$ 100 mm at 0.3 mm		52 MB
Sampling distance		0.1 mm–1 mm variable

# RPC-PET

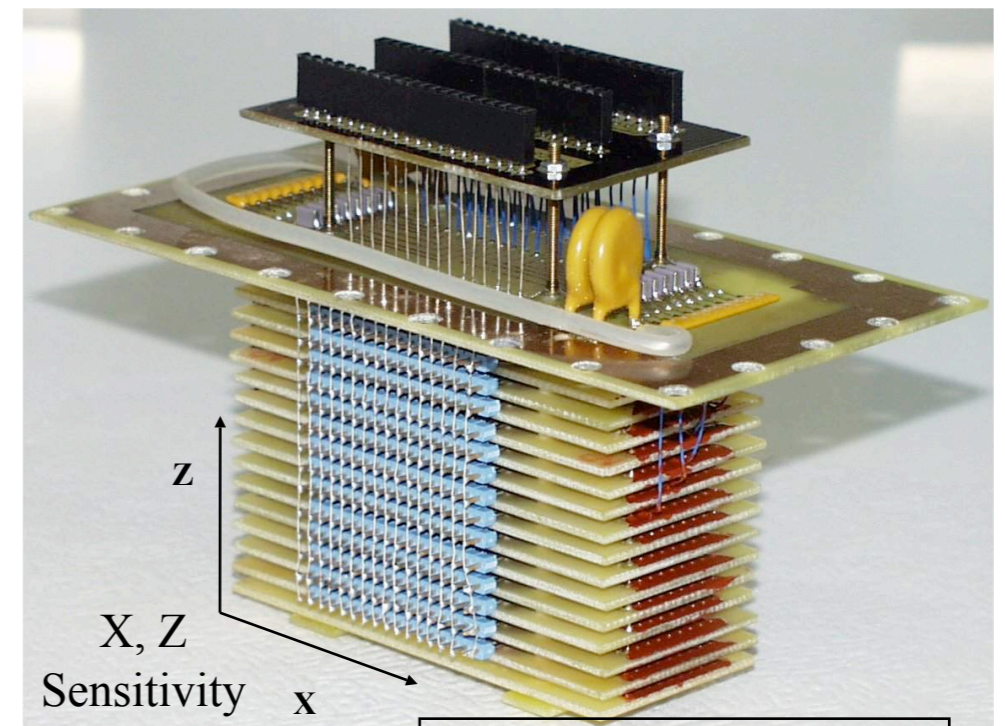
Portugal, Spain



Spatial resolution  
 $\sim 580 \mu\text{m}$  FWHM



the metallic cathode of one RPC on one side and on the opposite side the resistive anode of the next RPC in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2\text{F}_4$  85 %,  $\text{SF}_6$  10%,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{10}$  5%

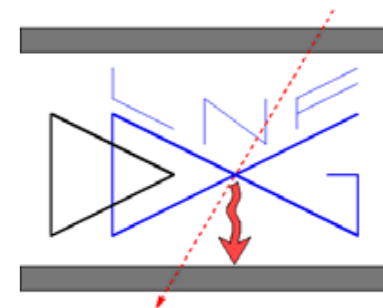


Active area  $32 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$

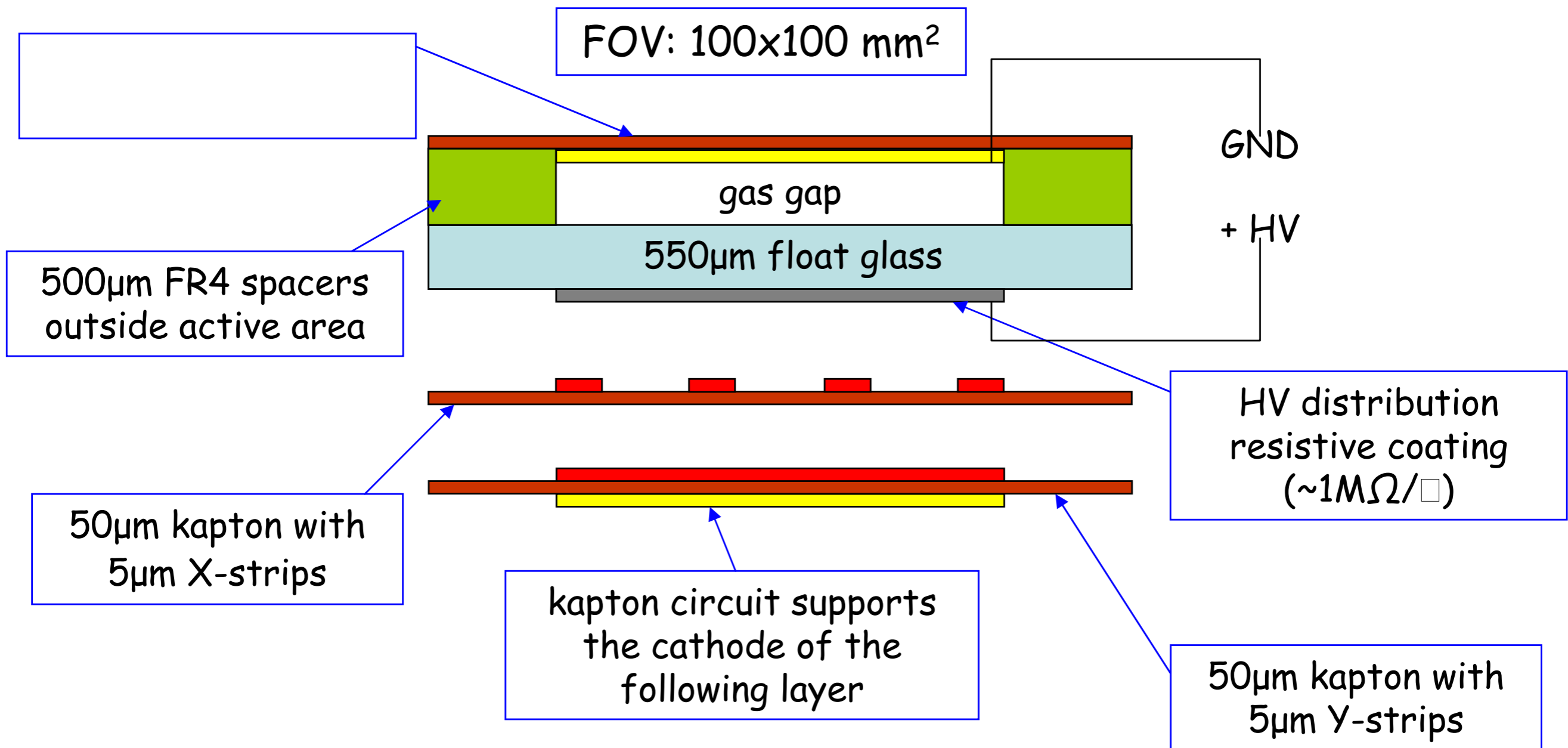
- **Copper** (on a PCB) and **glass electrodes**.
- 0.3 mm Gap.
- 32 1-mm wide X pickup strips.
- Not optimized for high efficiency.

Fig. 1. Schematic view of the detecting element, showing the detection process of the incident gamma photons, which take profit of the stacked construction of the RPCs.

# Hybrid Parallel Plate Counter



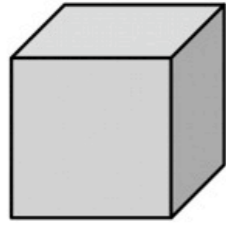
Hybrid: the anode is resistive (glass), the cathode is conductive (gold)



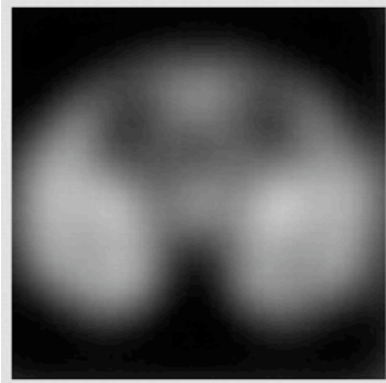
Many single layers are stacked to realize one detector



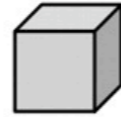
HR+ (1995)



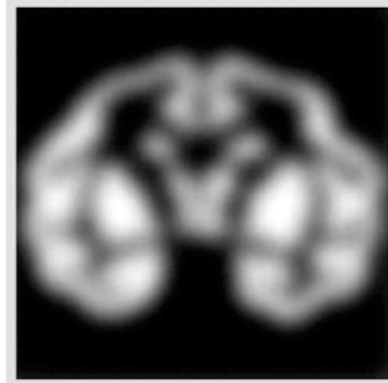
64 mm<sup>3</sup>



microPET I (1997)



8 mm<sup>3</sup>



microPET II (2003)



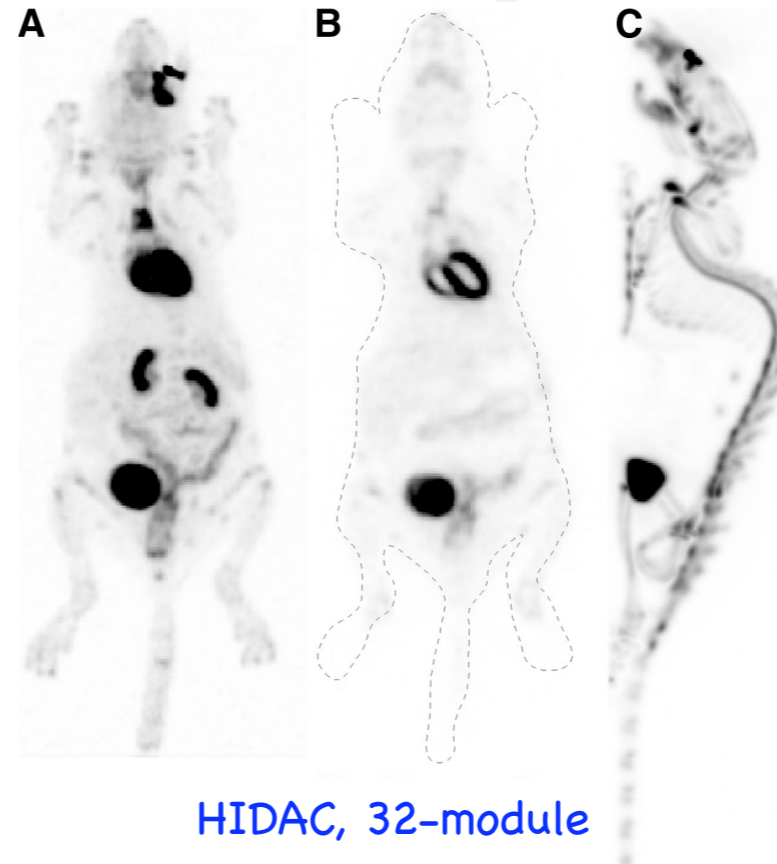
1 mm<sup>3</sup>



Autoradiography



0.008 mm<sup>3</sup>



**FIGURE 6.** (A and B) Images (OPL-EM) of 22-g mouse, acquired in 15 min, 1 h after injection of <sup>18</sup>F-FDG show maximum intensity projection (A) and a single central slice (B). (C) Maximum intensity projection of 27-g mouse, 1 h after injection of <sup>18</sup>F fluoride.

# Summary of small animal PETs

TABLE II. COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT SMALL ANIMAL PET PARAMETERS AND THE EXPECTED PARAMETERS OF THE RPC-PET.

Scanner	Image Spatial resolution, FBP (mm)	Time resolution (ns FWHM)	FOV (mm) Ø x mm)	Central point absolute sensitivity (cps/kBq)	Source ( mm Ø x mm)	Peak NEC (kcps)
microPET II <sup>®</sup> [1],[15]	1.1	3	160 x 49	23 - 33	25 x 70 mouse size 60 x 150 rat size	235 at ~2.35 MBq/cm <sup>3</sup> 24.6 at ~0.19 MBq/cm <sup>3</sup>
YAP-PET [2],[16]	1.6	2	40 x 40	18 at (Ø = 150 mm)	-	90 (not peak) at ~16.6 MBq
Quad HIDAC (32 modules) [7],[17]	0.95	-	170 x 280	18	-	100 at ~0.2MBq/cm <sup>3</sup>
RPC-PET	0.5*	0.3	60 x 100	21**	25 x 70 mouse size	318** at ~ 2.63 MBq/cm <sup>3</sup>

\* Measured, \*\* Simulated

ClearPET                      1.25-2                      5.7                      (135-225)x110                      (125-200)x110

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MEG-TPC

# LXe-PET : no segmentation with PMT, TPC

83.2 l, 80cm $\Phi$  , 12cm depth, 24cm axial length

(1)

2" PMT :  $4 \times 54 = 216$

Spatial resolution = 2 mm

Time resolution = 1 nsec

timing for the TPC

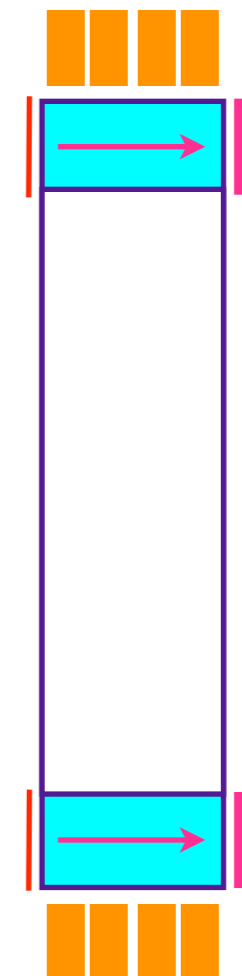
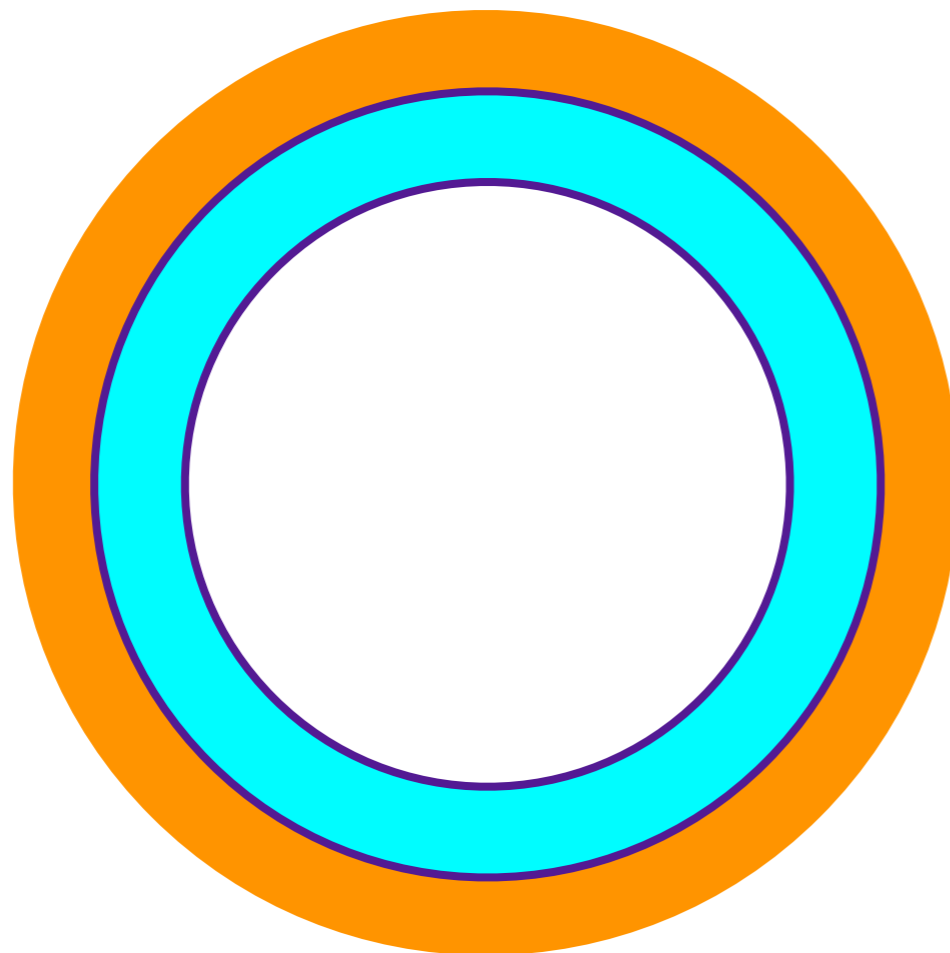
TPC : 48kV

52.2 $\mu$ sec/24cm

(2.3mm/ $\mu$ sec)

continuous readout

with time stamp by PMT



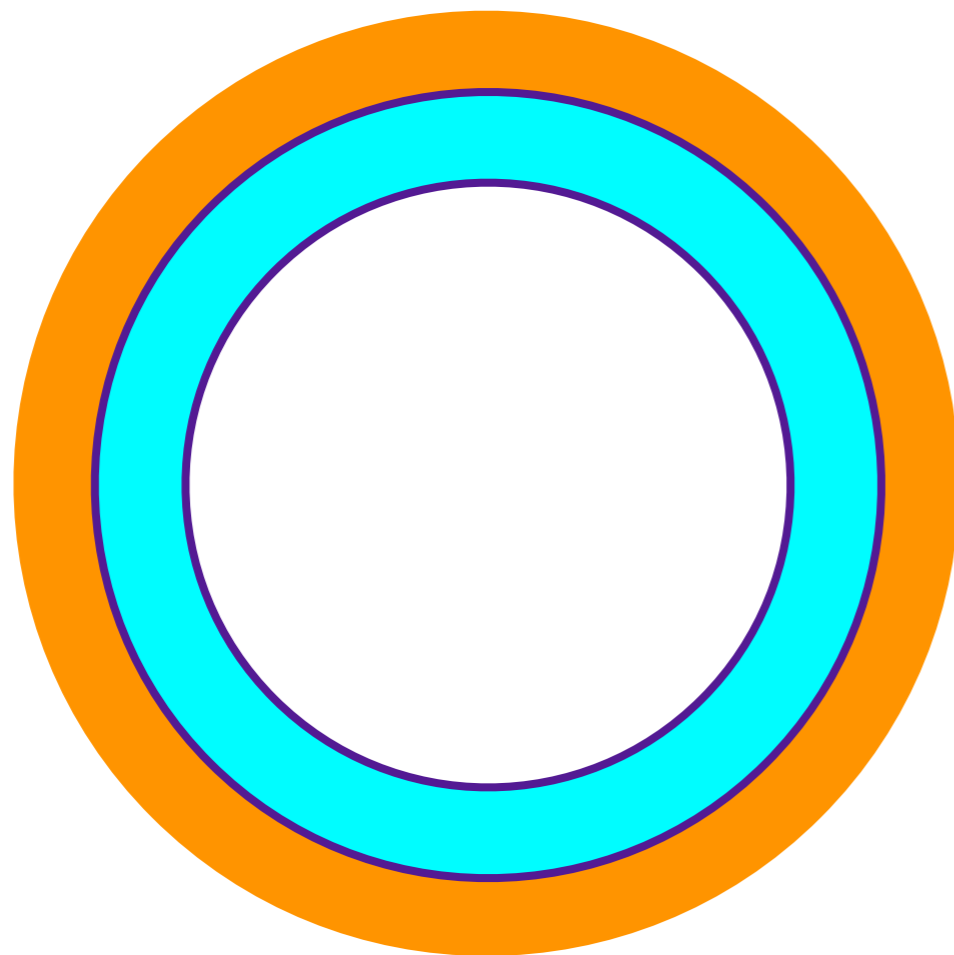
low noise  
< 300e

# LXe-PET : no segmentation with PMT, TPC

83.2 l, 80cm $\Phi$  , 12cm depth, 24cm axial length

(2) 2" PMT : 4x54=216

Spatial resolution = 2 mm  
Time resolution = 1 nsec  
timing for the TPC



TPC : 48kV

52.2 $\mu$ sec/24cm

(2.3mm/ $\mu$ sec)

continuous readout  
with time stamp by PMT

detection in 2 phase  
GEM, MHSP

