

DIRAC setup

**Installation and upgrade of the DIRAC setup
for lifetime measurement of $\pi^+ \pi^-$ and
 $\pi^\pm K^\mp$ atoms**

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75 Physicists from 19 Institutes

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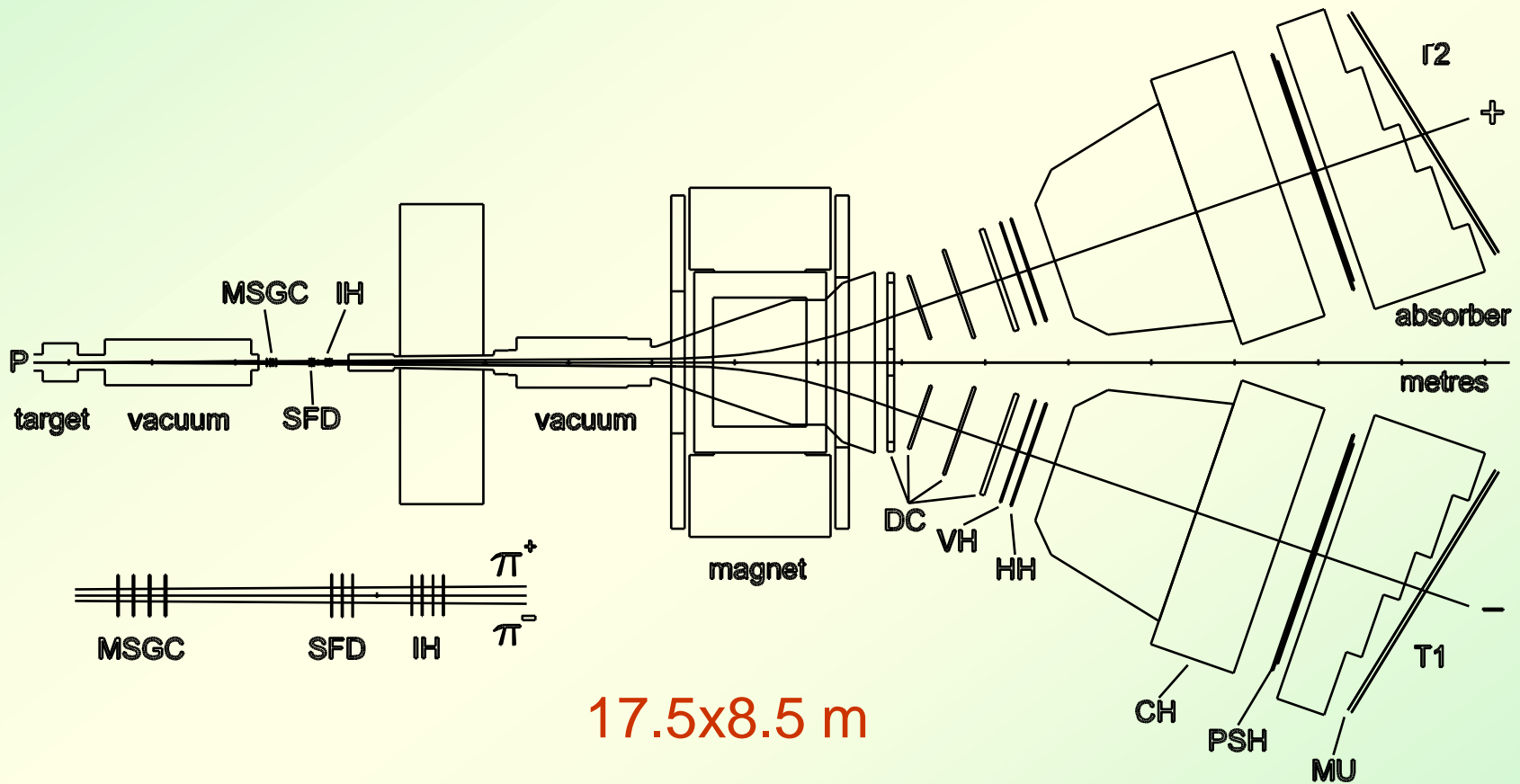
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DIRAC-I setup (1998)

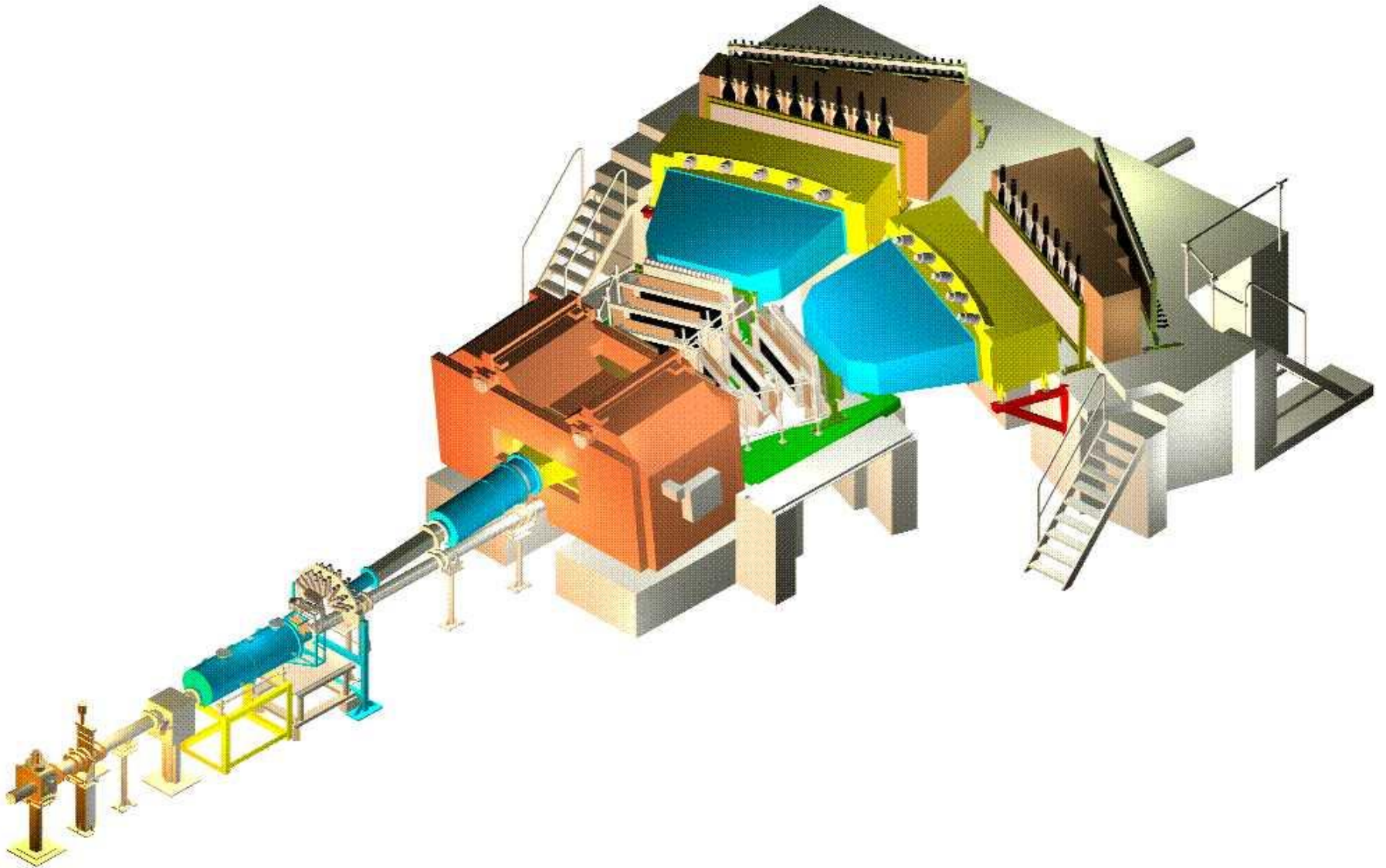


17.5x8.5 m

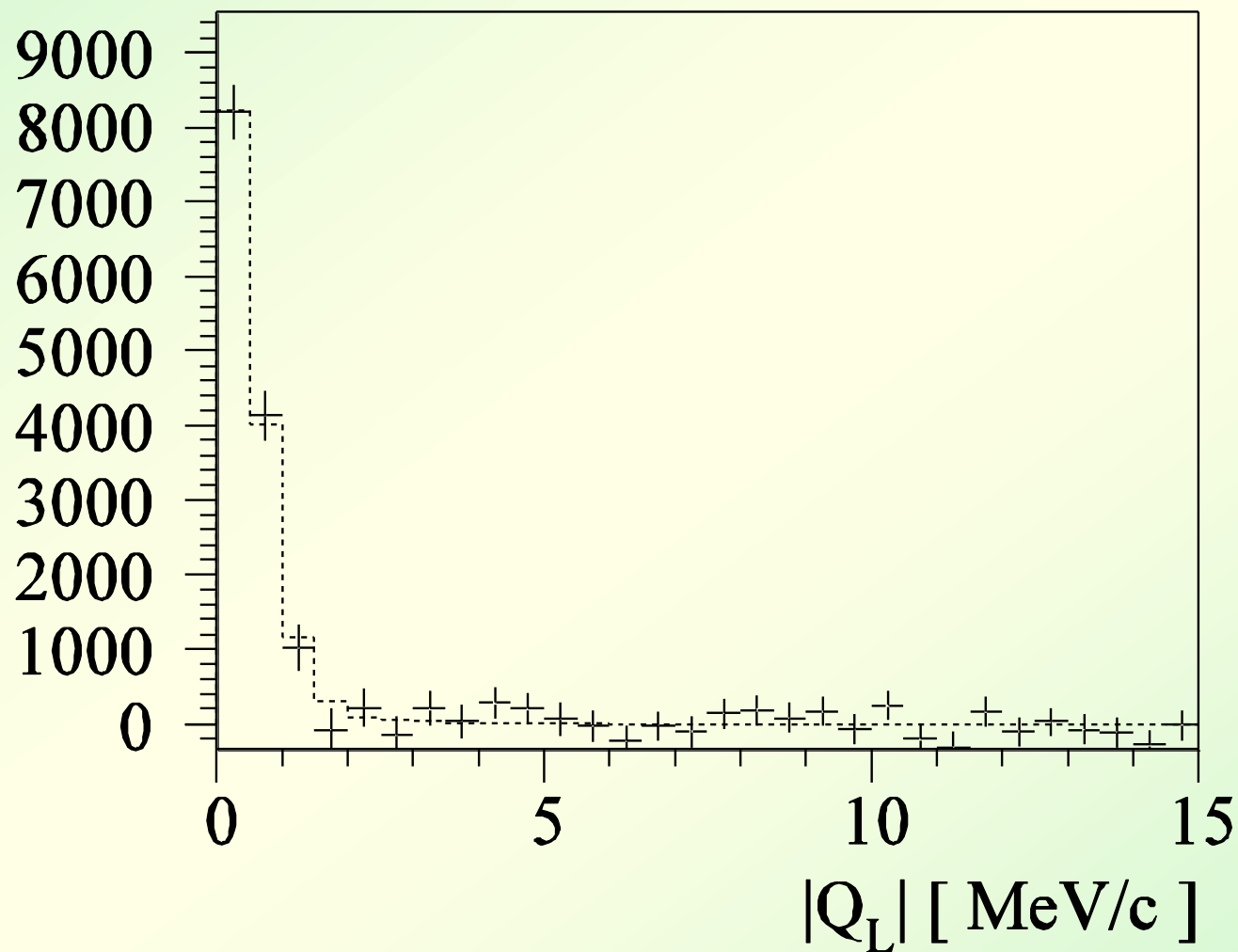
Momentum resolution = 3×10^{-3}

Relative momentum resolution = 0.5 MeV/c

DIRAC-I setup (1998)



Results 2001-2003, $\pi^+\pi^-$ signal



Results 2001-2003

2008 DIRAC (SPSC 22/04/08)

major part 2001-03 data (13300 observed pi+pi- atoms)

$$\tau = \left(2.82^{+0.25}_{-0.23} \Big|_{stat} \pm 0.19 \Big|_{syst} \right) \text{fs} = \left(\dots^{+0.31}_{-0.30} \Big|_{tot} \right) \text{fs}$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_0 - a_2| = 0.268 \pm 4.4\% \Big|_{stat} \pm 3.7\% \Big|_{syst} = \dots \pm 5.5\% \Big|_{tot}$$

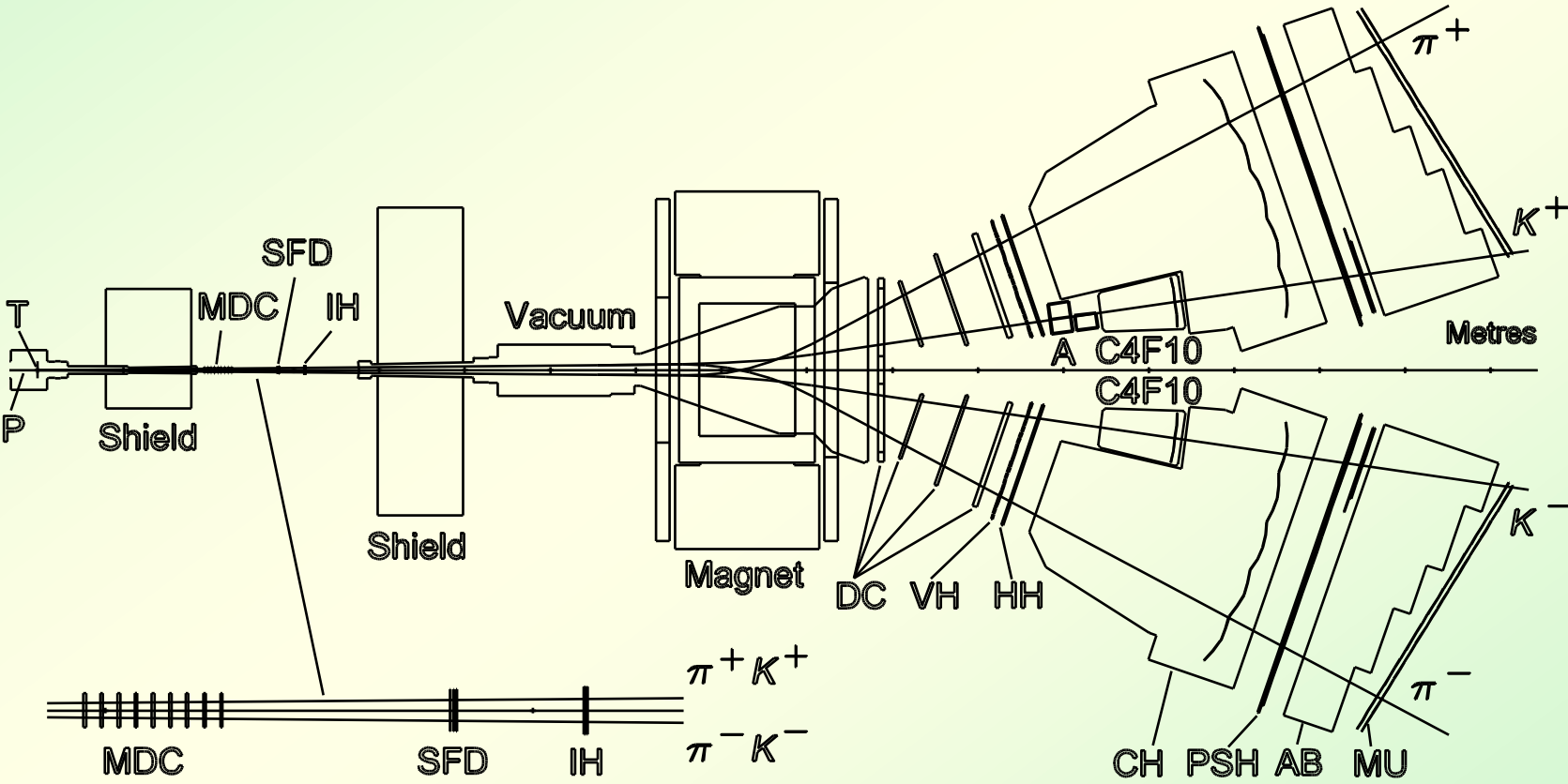
With MSGC : number of events is 17000,
statistical error in $|a_0 - a_2|$ is 3%, and full error is <5%.

Theory predicts $\pi + \pi^-$ scattering lengths with accuracy $\sim 1.5\%$:

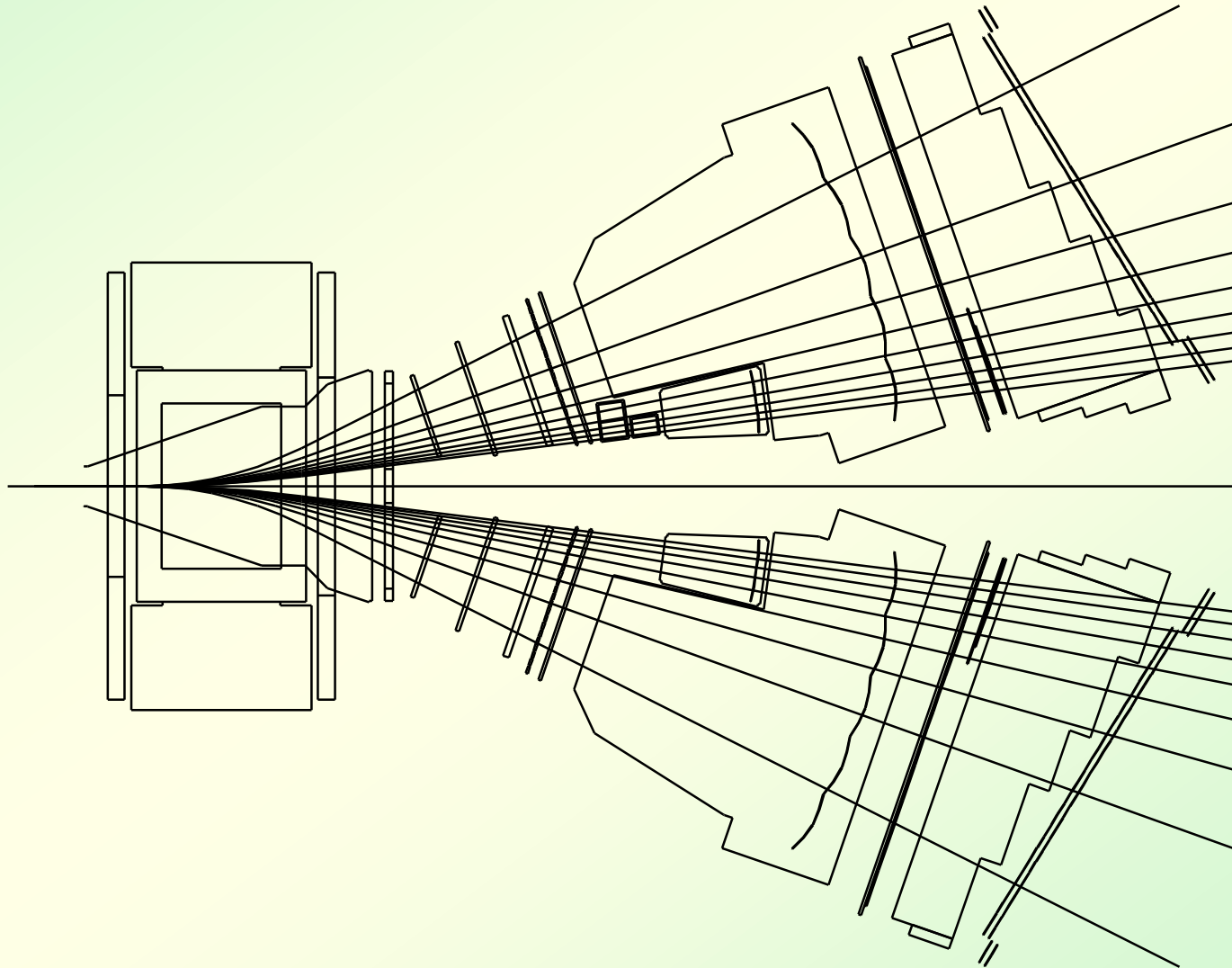
$$|a_0 - a_2|_{ChPT} = 0.265 \pm 0.004 [m_\pi^{-1}]$$

$$\tau = (2.9 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-15} \text{s}$$

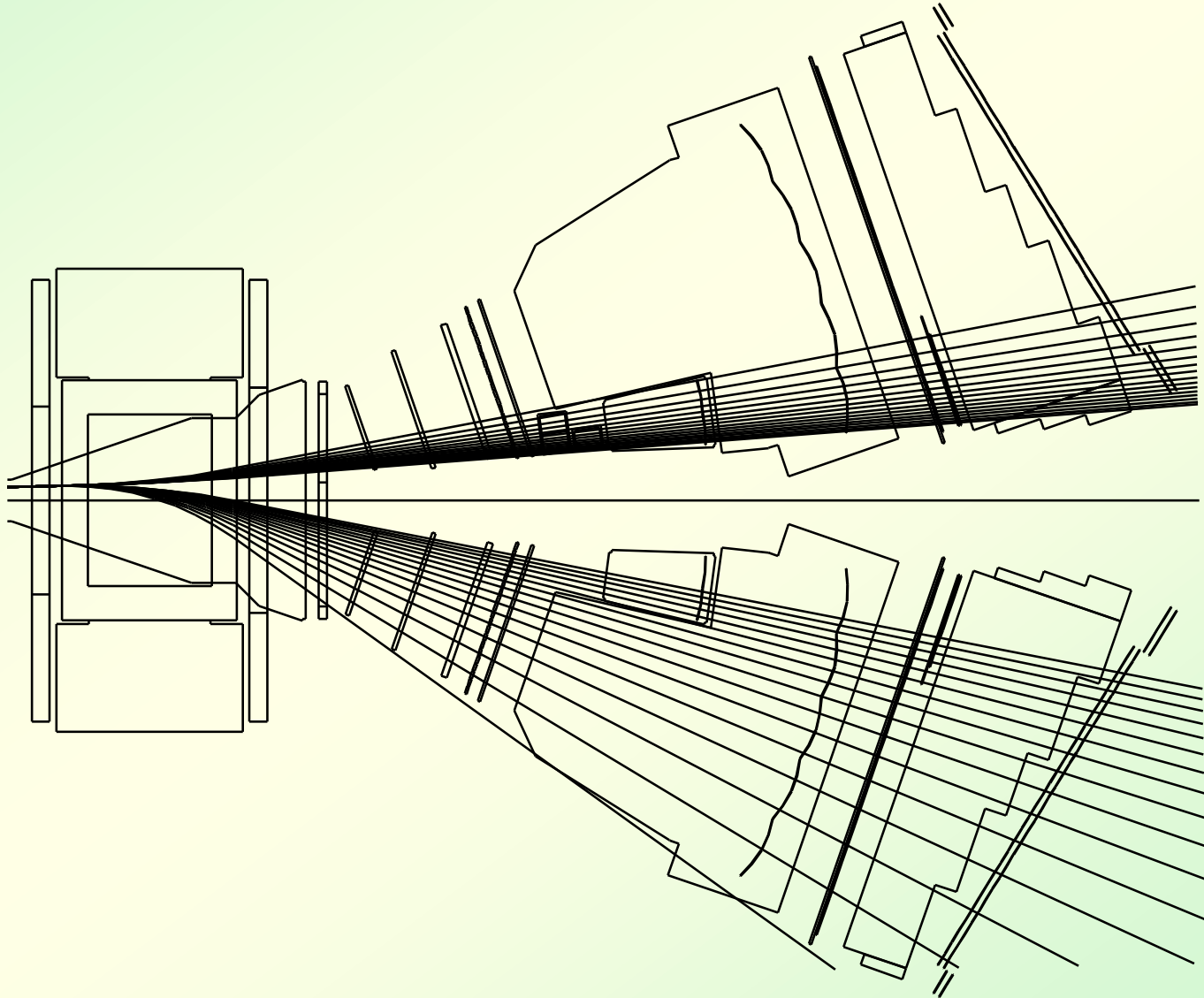
DIRAC-II setup (2006)



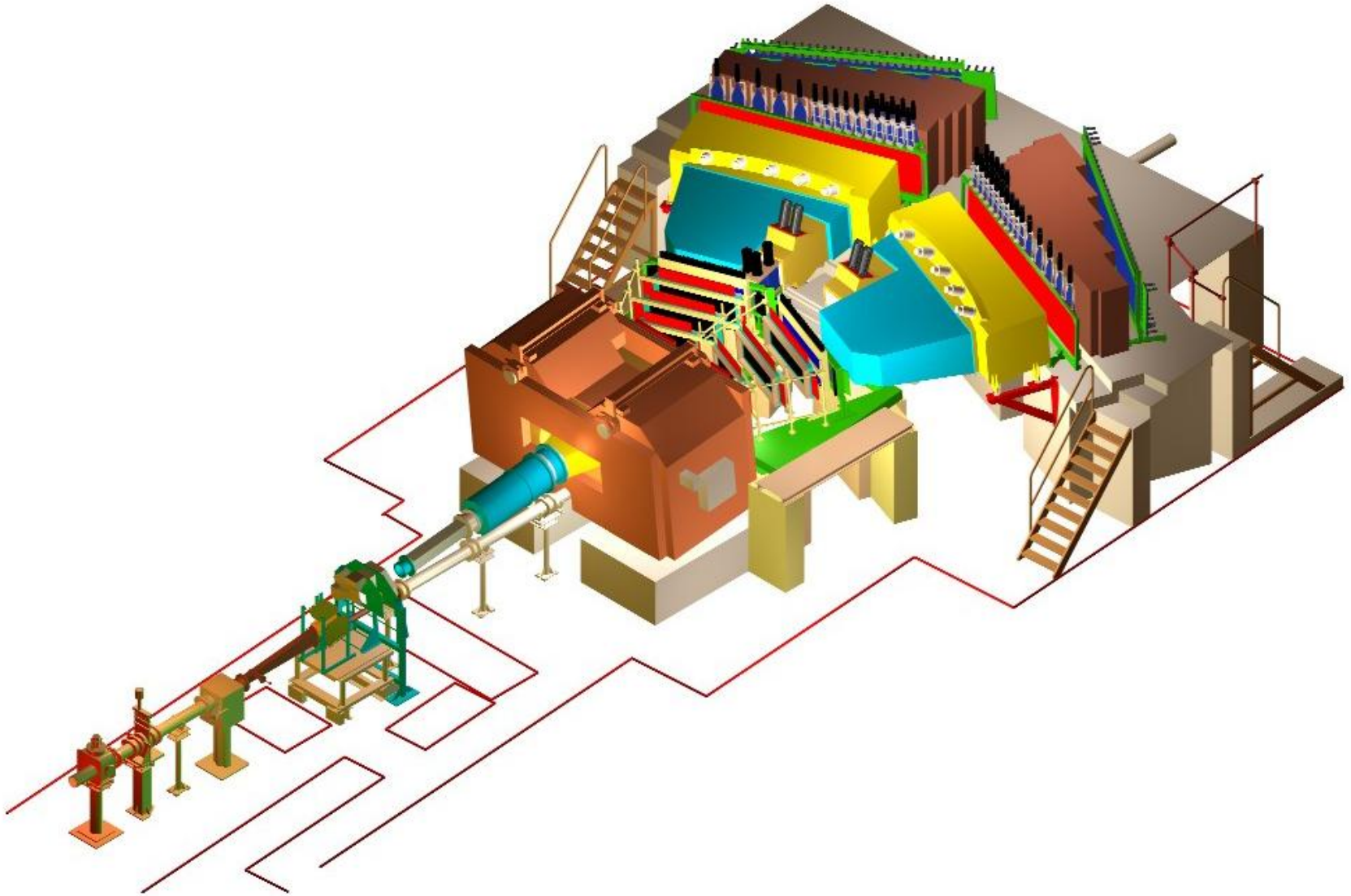
pi-pi tracing through the magnet



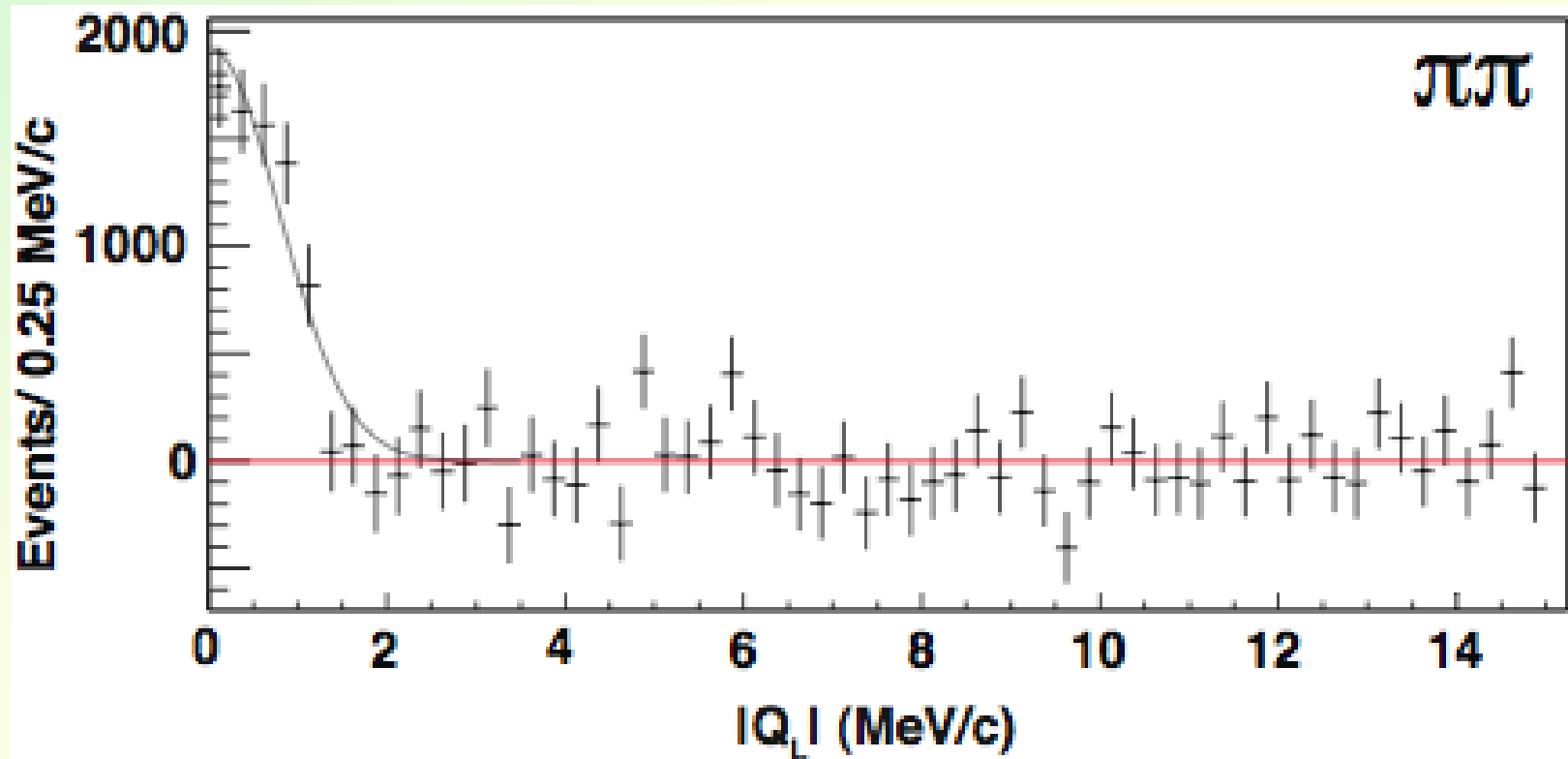
K-pi tracing through the magnet



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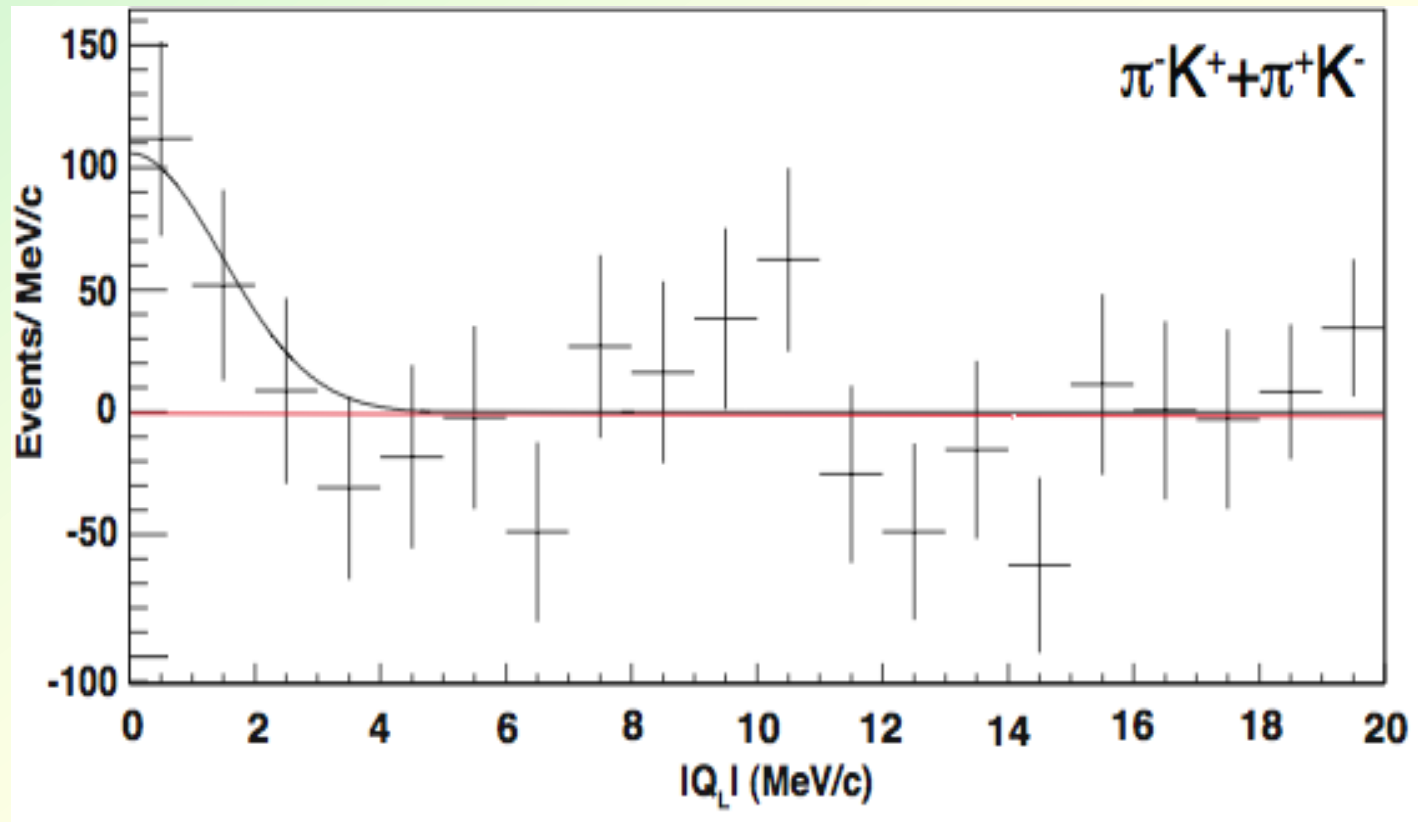


$\pi^+\pi^-$ signal (2007)



Observation of $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms with the Platinum target

π^-K^+ and π^+K^- signal (2007)



In total: 173 ± 54 πK -atomic pairs are observed with a significance of 3.2σ .

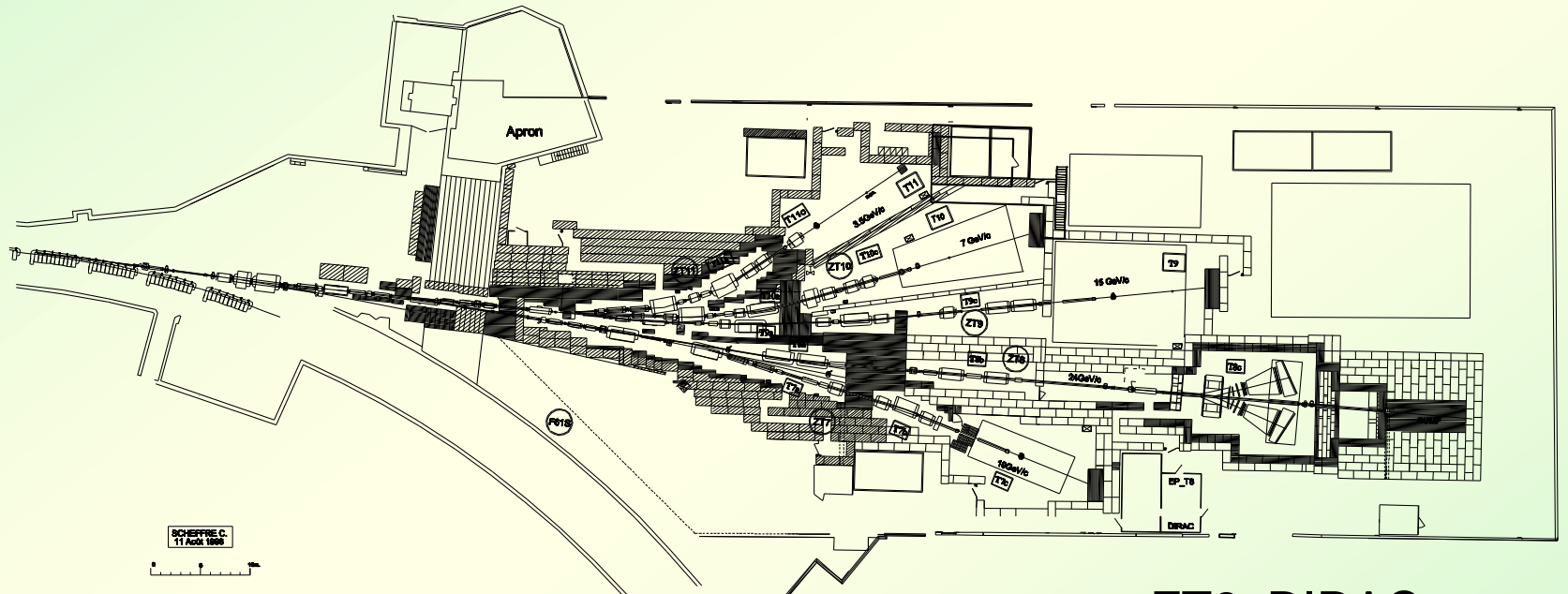
$$\tau > 0.8 * 10^{-15} s \text{ at } 90\%CL$$

B. Adeva et al., "Evidence for πK -atoms with DIRAC", Physics Letters B 674 (2009) 11
Y. Allkofer, PhD Thesis, Universität Zürich, 2008.

DIRAC history

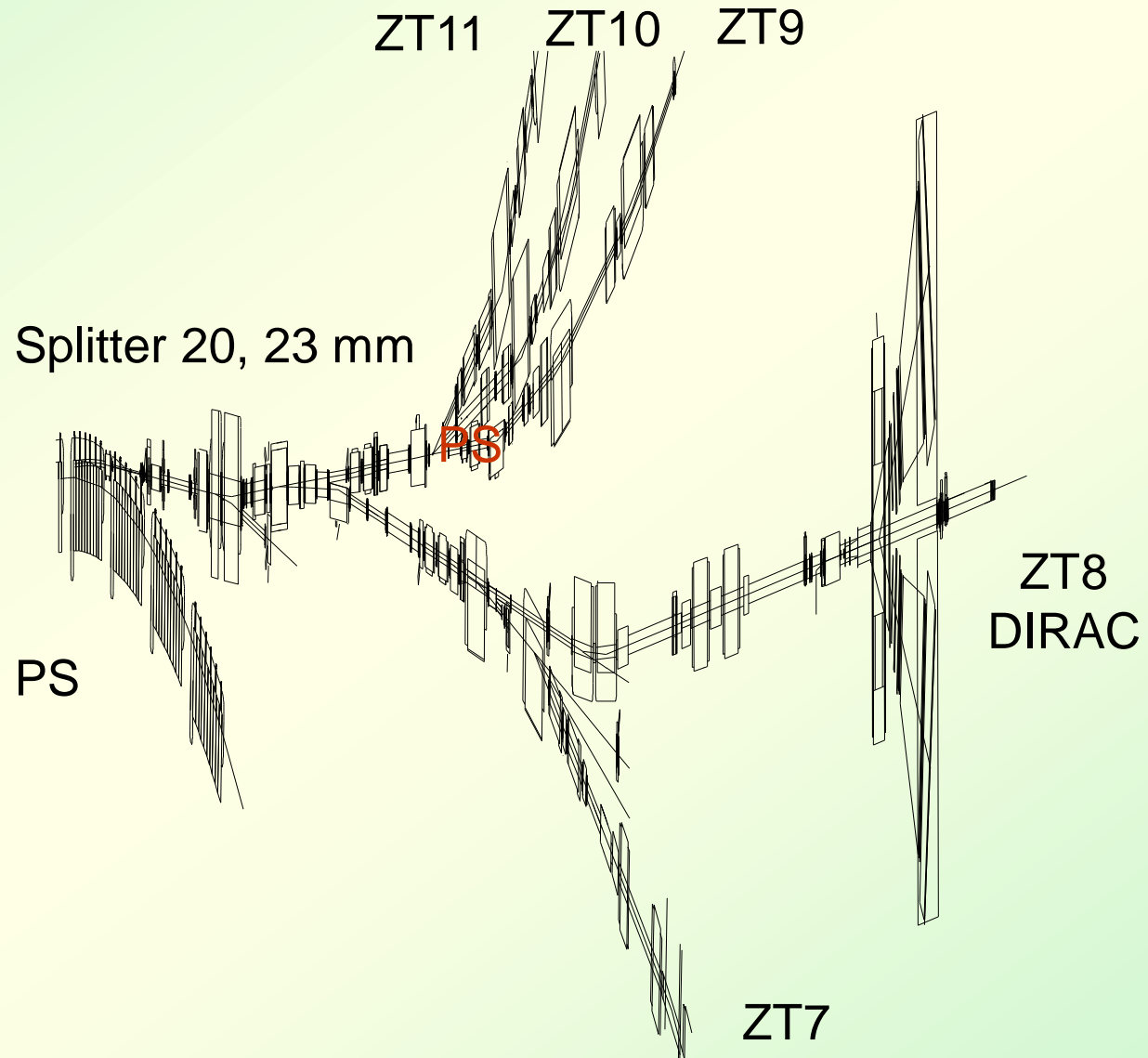
- 92: Letter of Intent was prepared
- 93: Letter of Intent was approved by SPSLC
- 94: Proposal was prepared in Dubna
- 95: Proposal was approved by JINR Advisory Committee
- 96: Proposal was approved by SPSLC and RB
- 96: Memorandum of understanding
- 96: L. Nemenov – spokesman
- 96: Secondary particle channel at 5.7 deg. (instead of 3.5 deg.)
- 96: A. Kuptsov – technical coordinator
- 97: Proton beam line and radiation shield were designed
- 98: Magnet installation and field measurement
- 98: Setup and radiation shield installation
- 98: First accelerator run
- 01-03: Main statistics on $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms was collected
- 04: Addendum to Proposal was prepared for π K atoms detection
- 04: Addendum was approved by SPSLC
- 05: Detectors were designed and manufactured
- 06: New detectors were installed
- 07-08: Accelerator run, $\pi^+\pi^-$, π K

PS East Hall

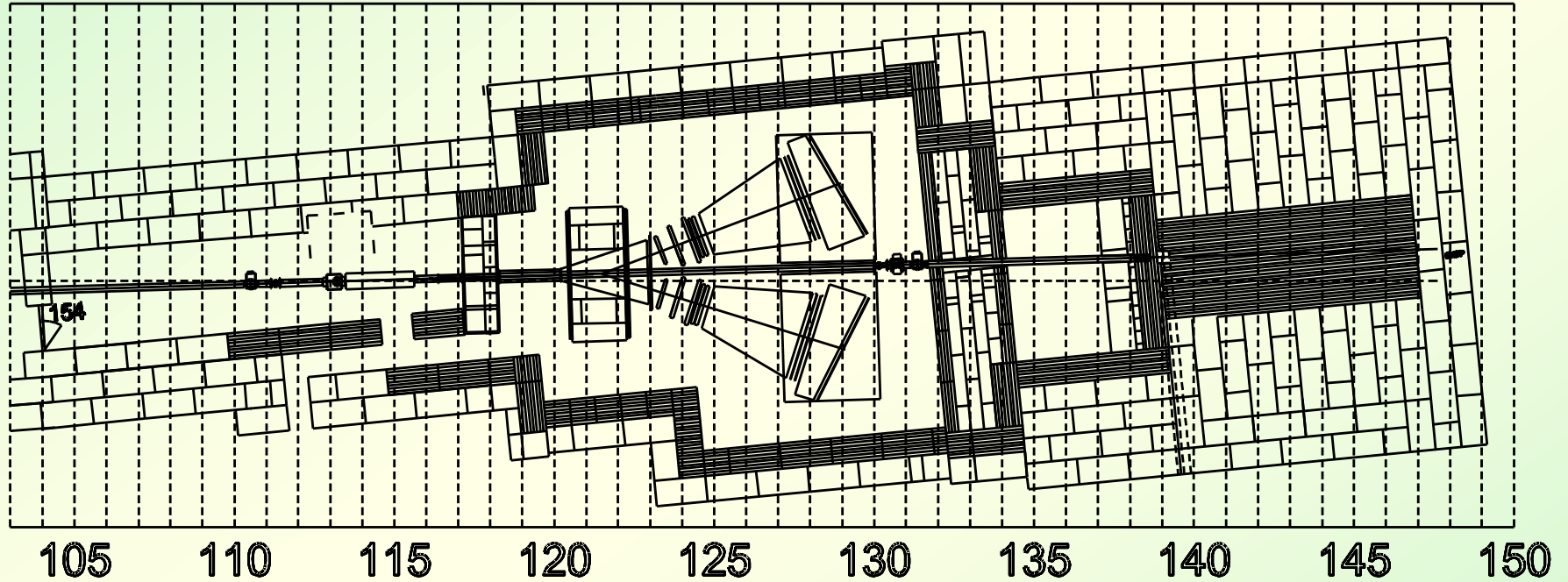


ZT8, DIRAC

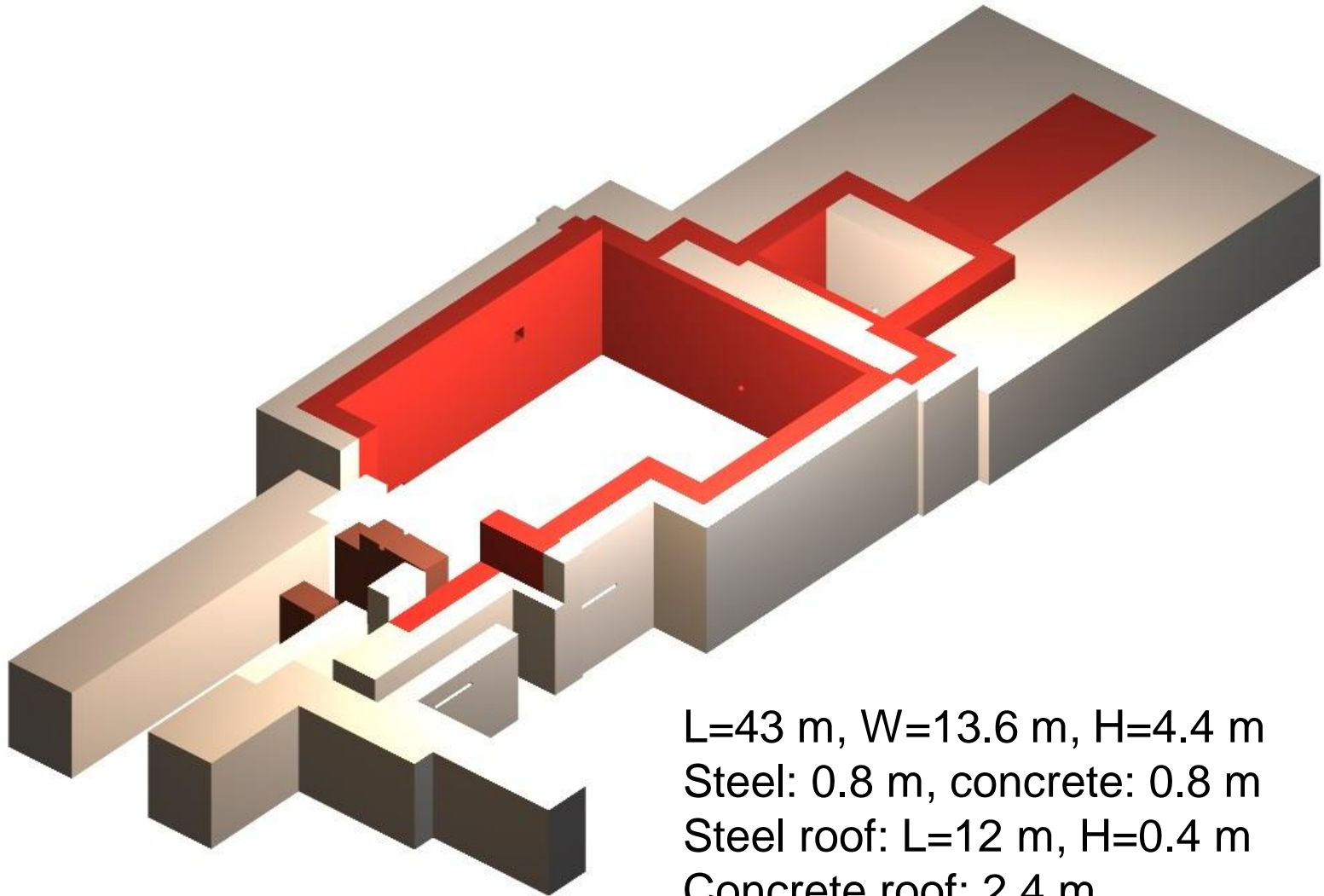
Beam lines in the PS East Hall



DIRAC area, distances in metres

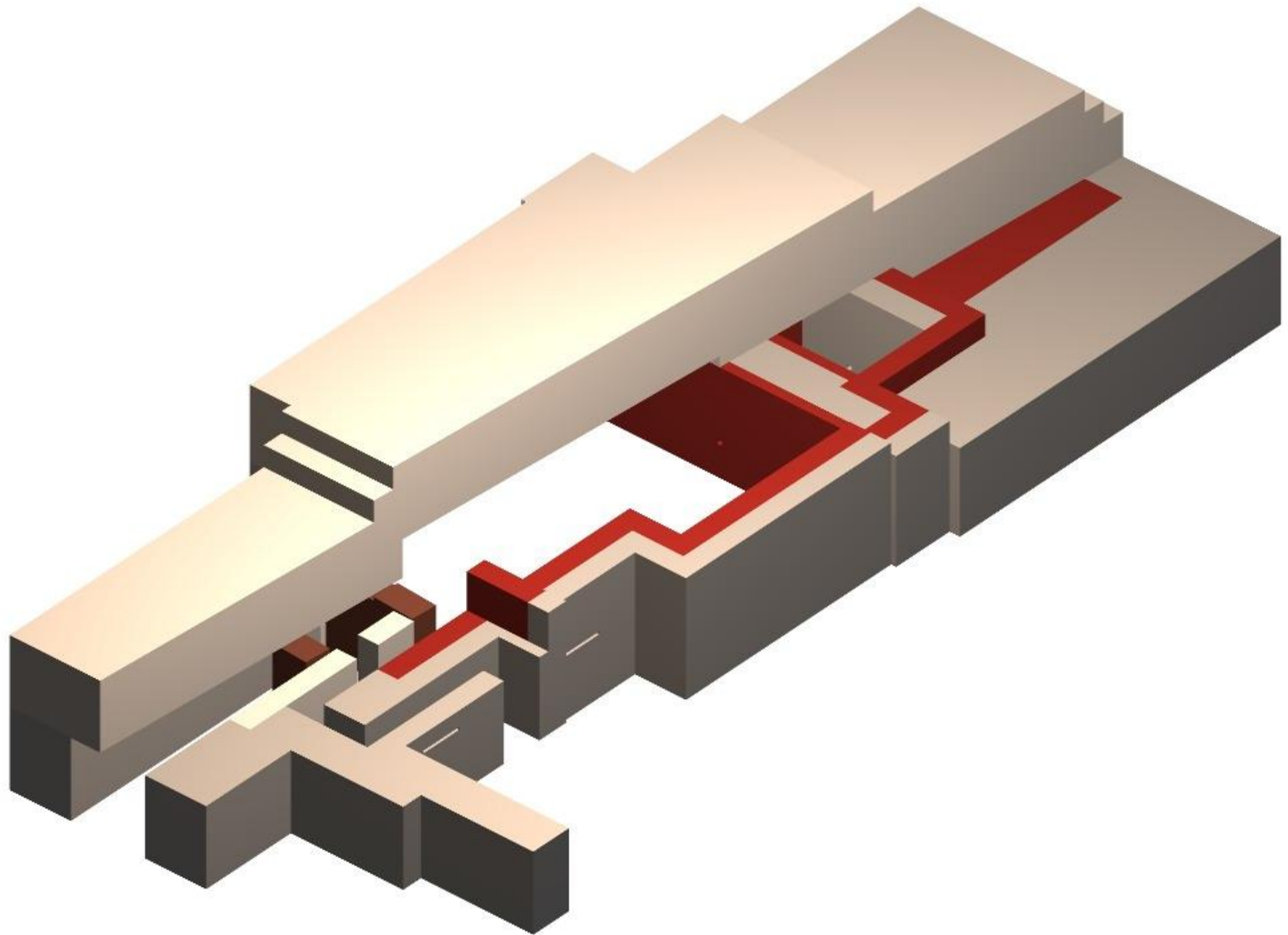


Radiation shield (1998)

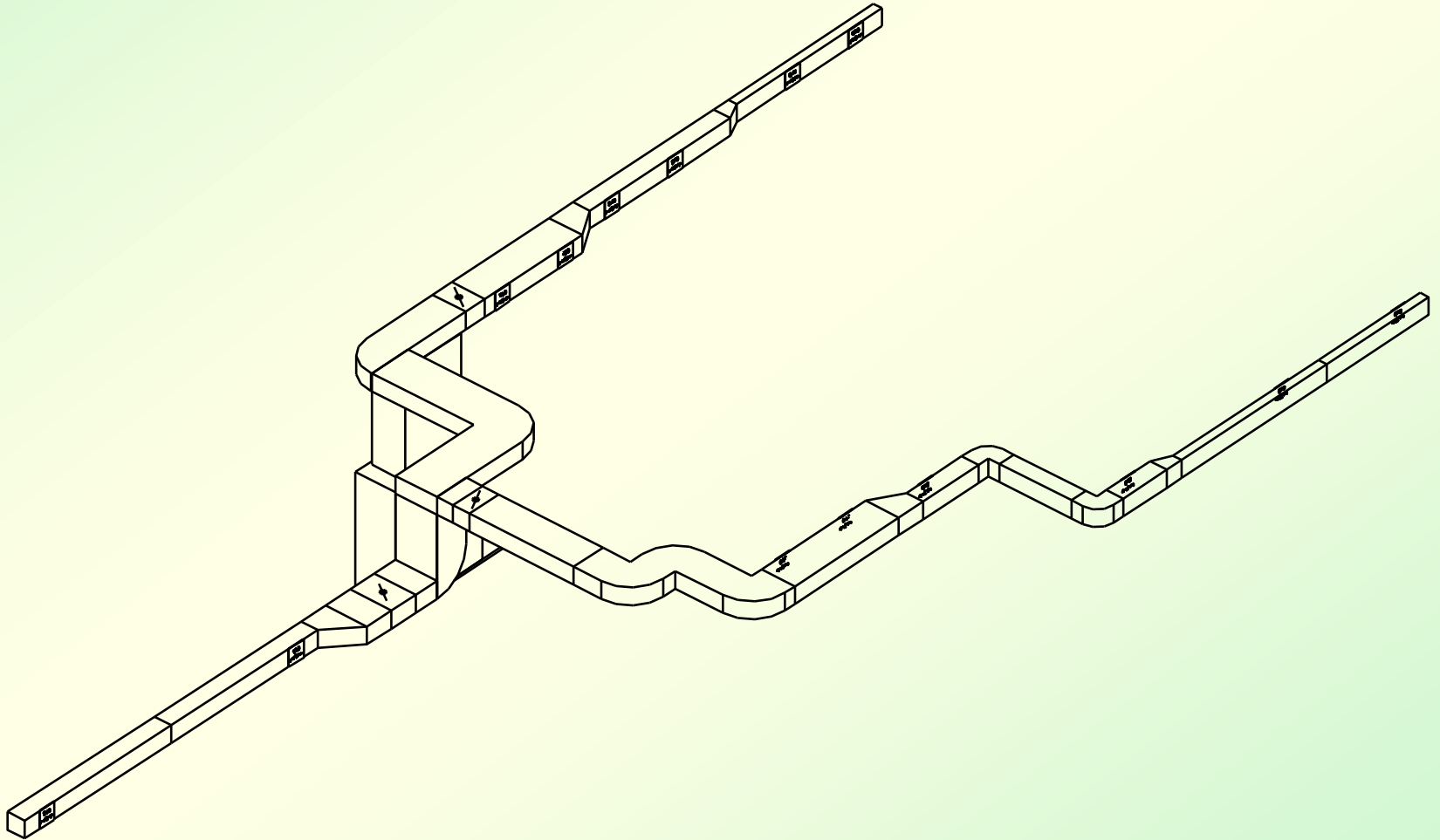


L=43 m, W=13.6 m, H=4.4 m
Steel: 0.8 m, concrete: 0.8 m
Steel roof: L=12 m, H=0.4 m
Concrete roof: 2.4 m
Beam dump: 8.0x3.2x3.2 m³

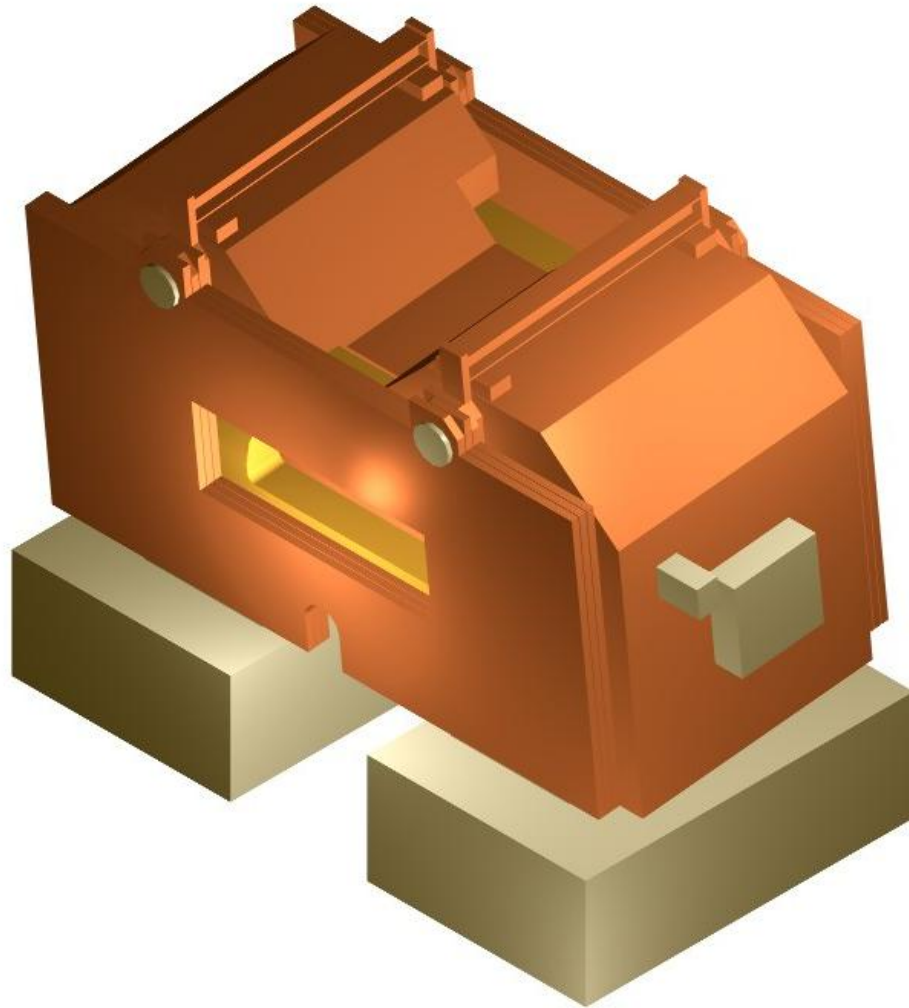
Radiation shield (1998)



Cooling system (1998)



Magnet (1998)



MNP21/3

$B = 1.65 \text{ T}$

$BL = 2.2 \text{ Tm}$

Current 2500 A

Power 1.43 MW

Weight 120 ton

Dim. 4.2x2.5x2.0 m

Gap 1.5x0.5x1.1 m

Screens

400x200x15 cm

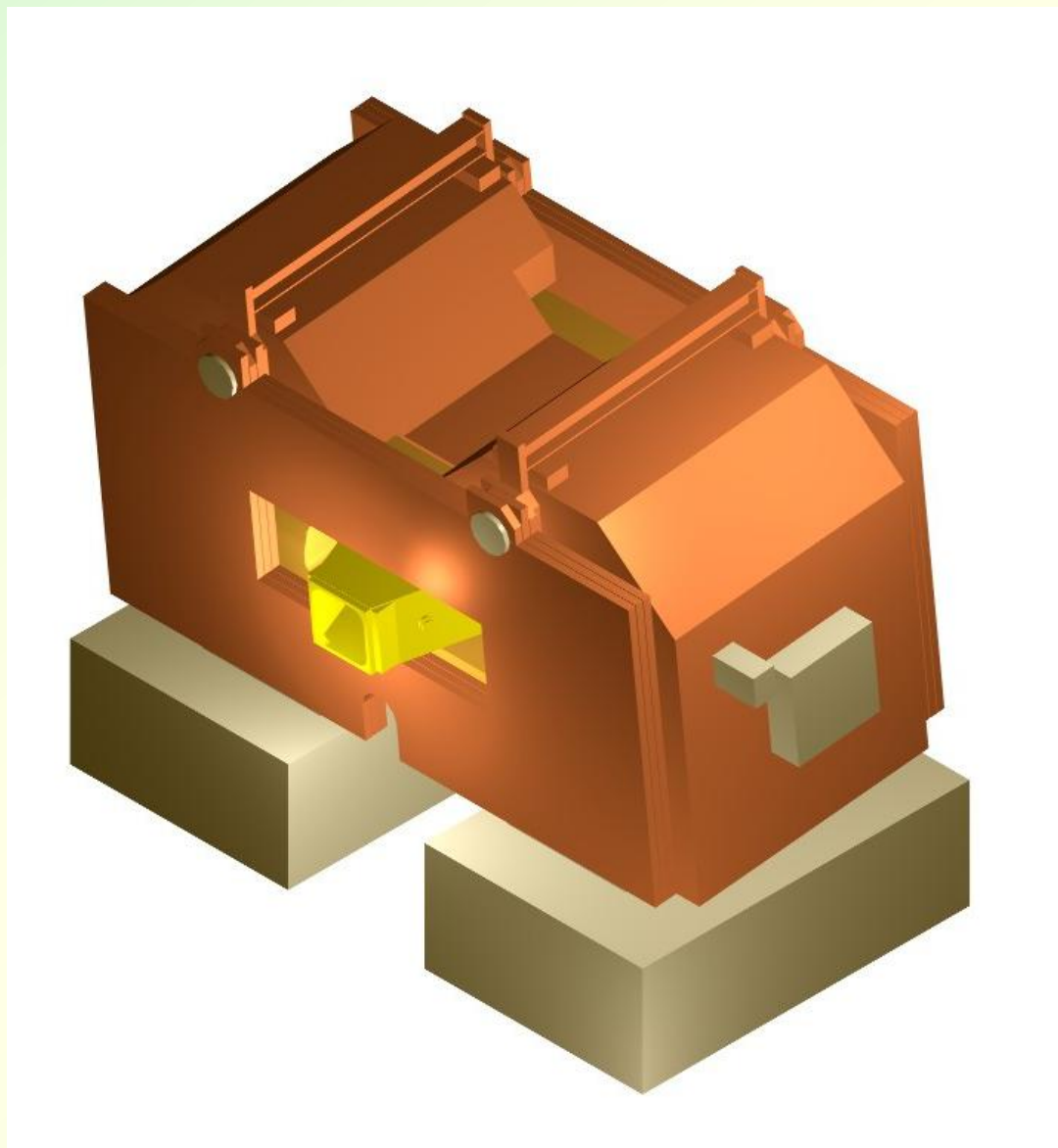
Coils 2x165 turns

Coils 18x18 mm

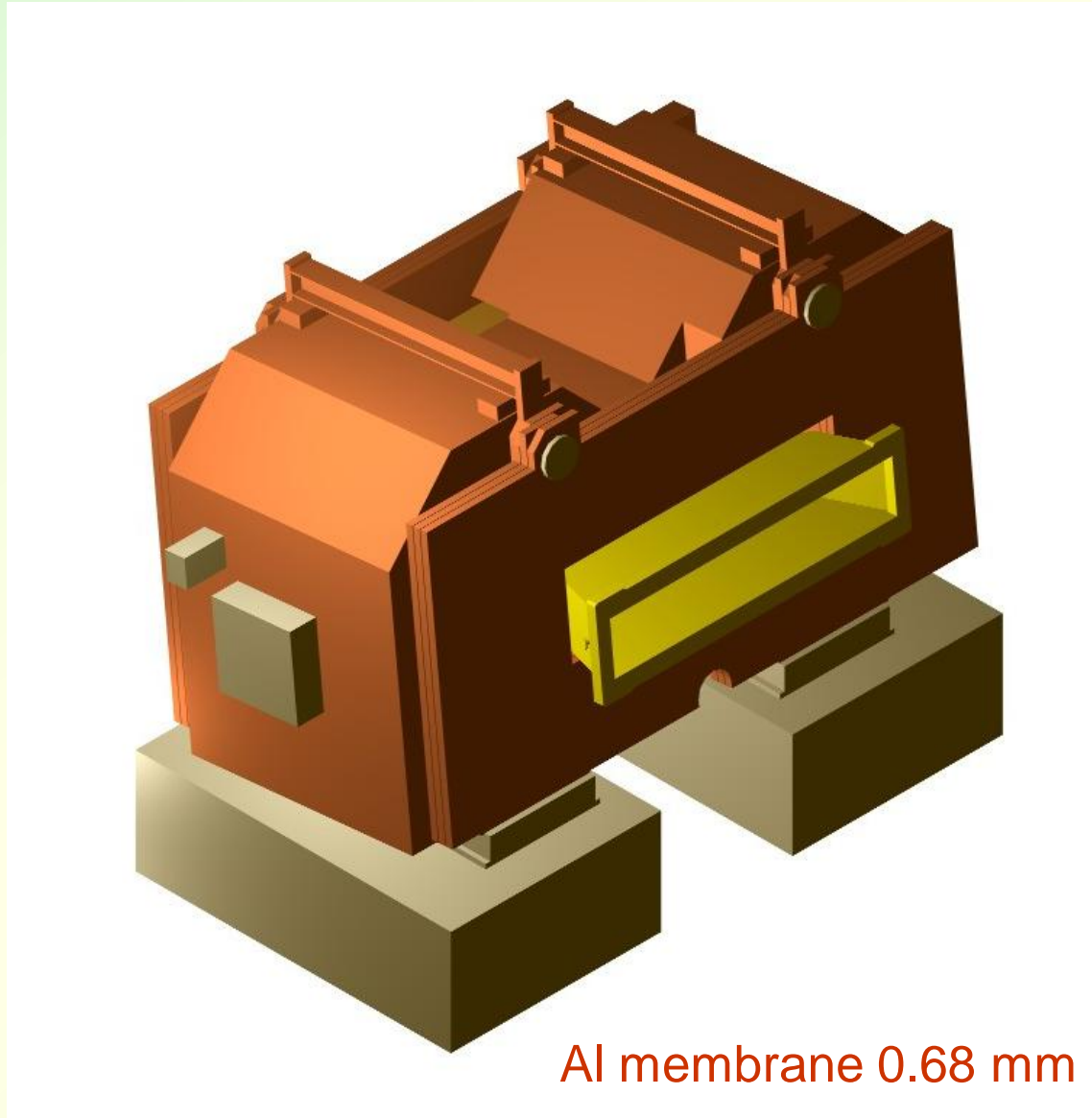
Water 23 kg/cm²

Water 540 l/min

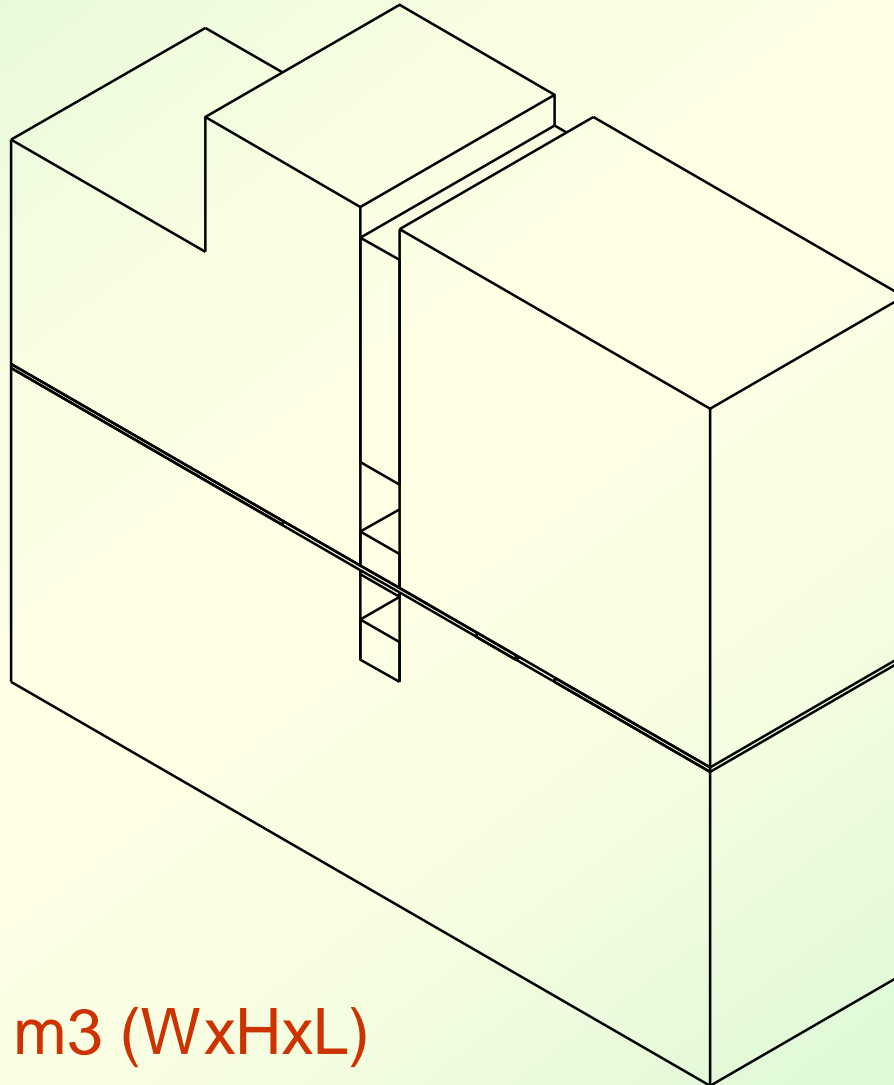
Magnet and flat chamber (1998)



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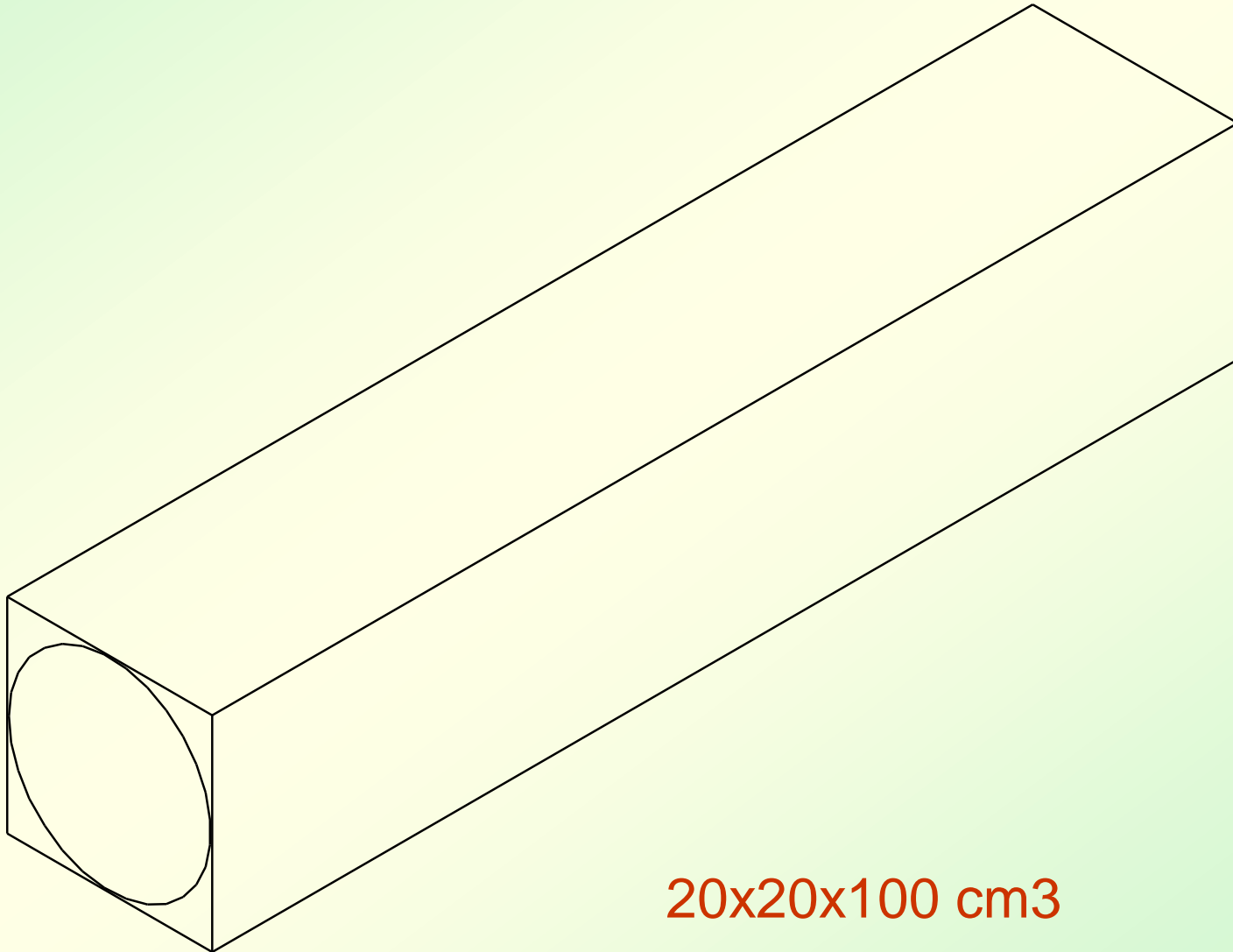


Shield (1998)



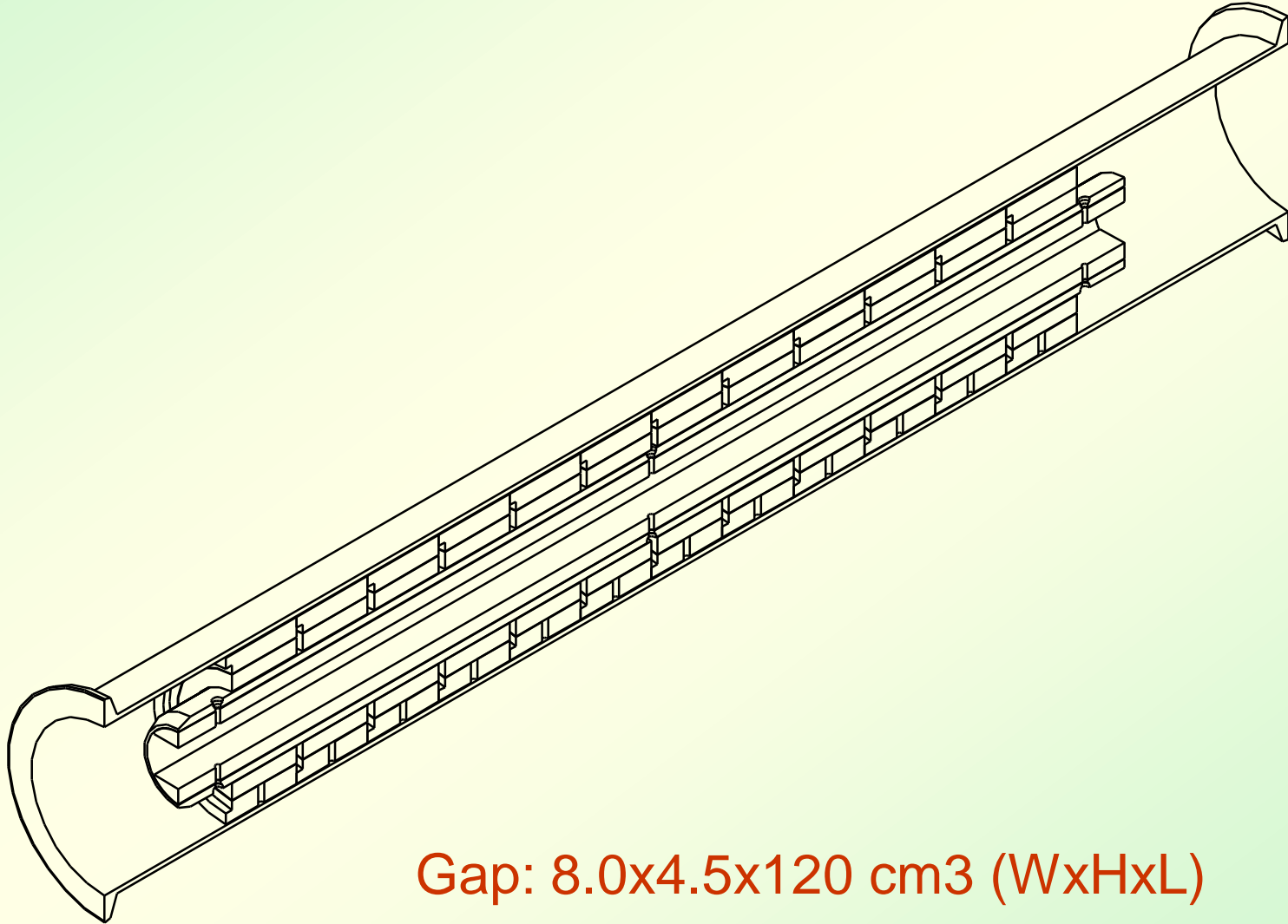
3.6x3.0x1.0 m³ (WxHxL)

Collimator (1998)



20x20x100 cm³

Collimator (2000)



Gap: 8.0x4.5x120 cm³ (WxHxL)

Secondary particle channel (1998)

Collimator:

L=1.2 m

Entr.

136x136 mm

Exit:

178x178 mm

+/-1 degree

Tube diam.

600 mm

Flat chamber:

L=2.74 m

Entr. 38x38 cm

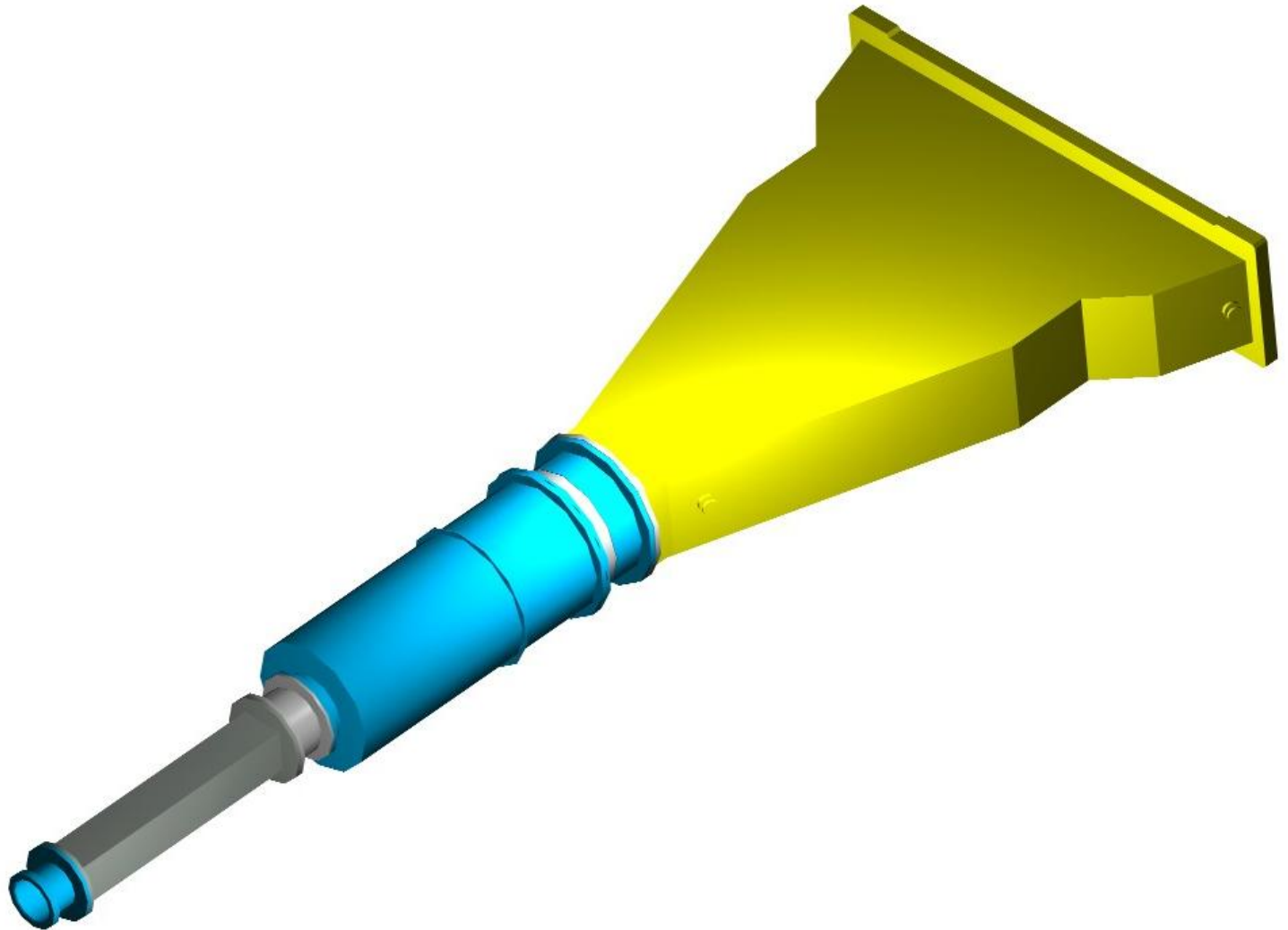
Exit: 215x38 cm

Walls 25 mm

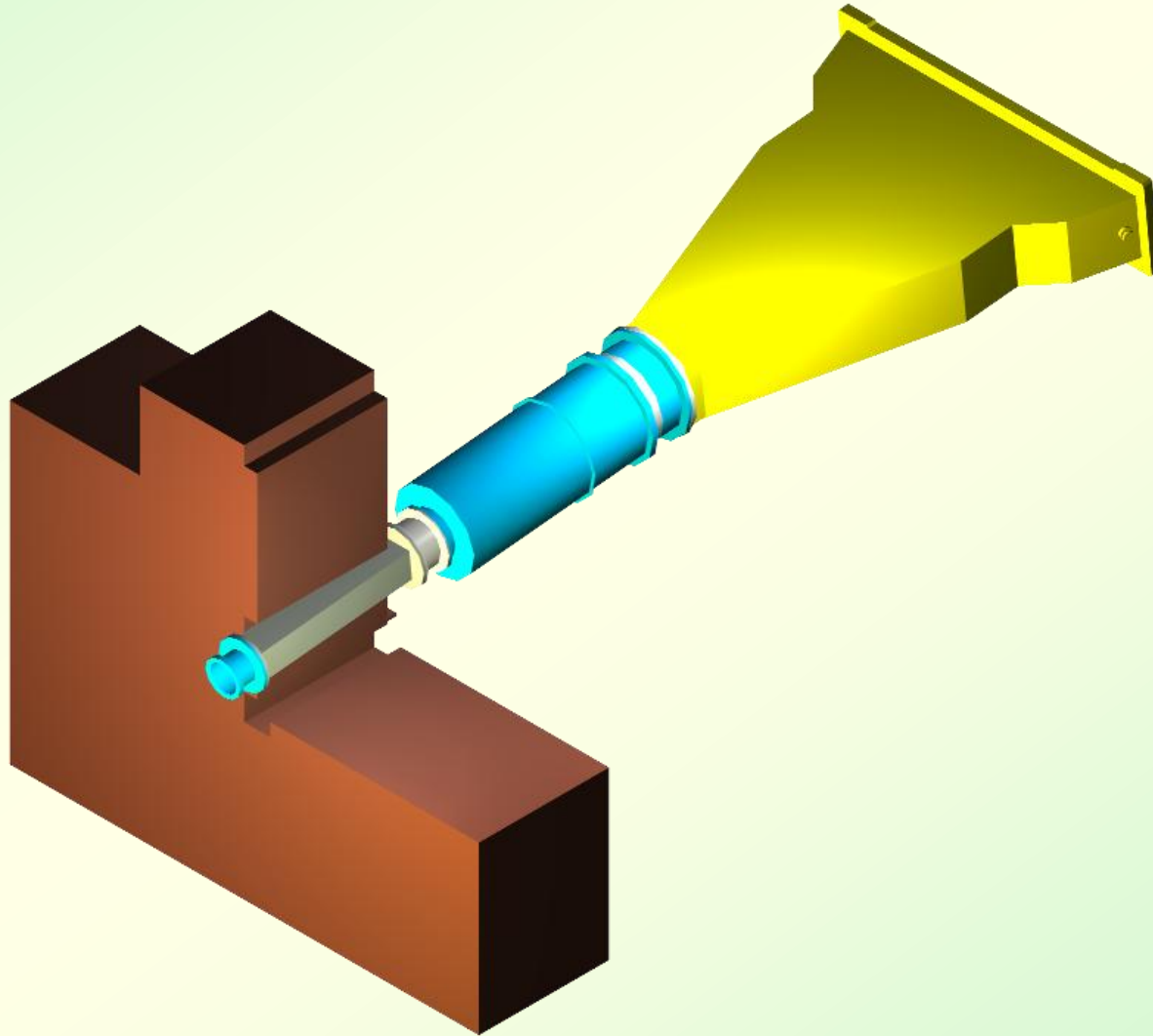
Weight: 2 ton

Channel:

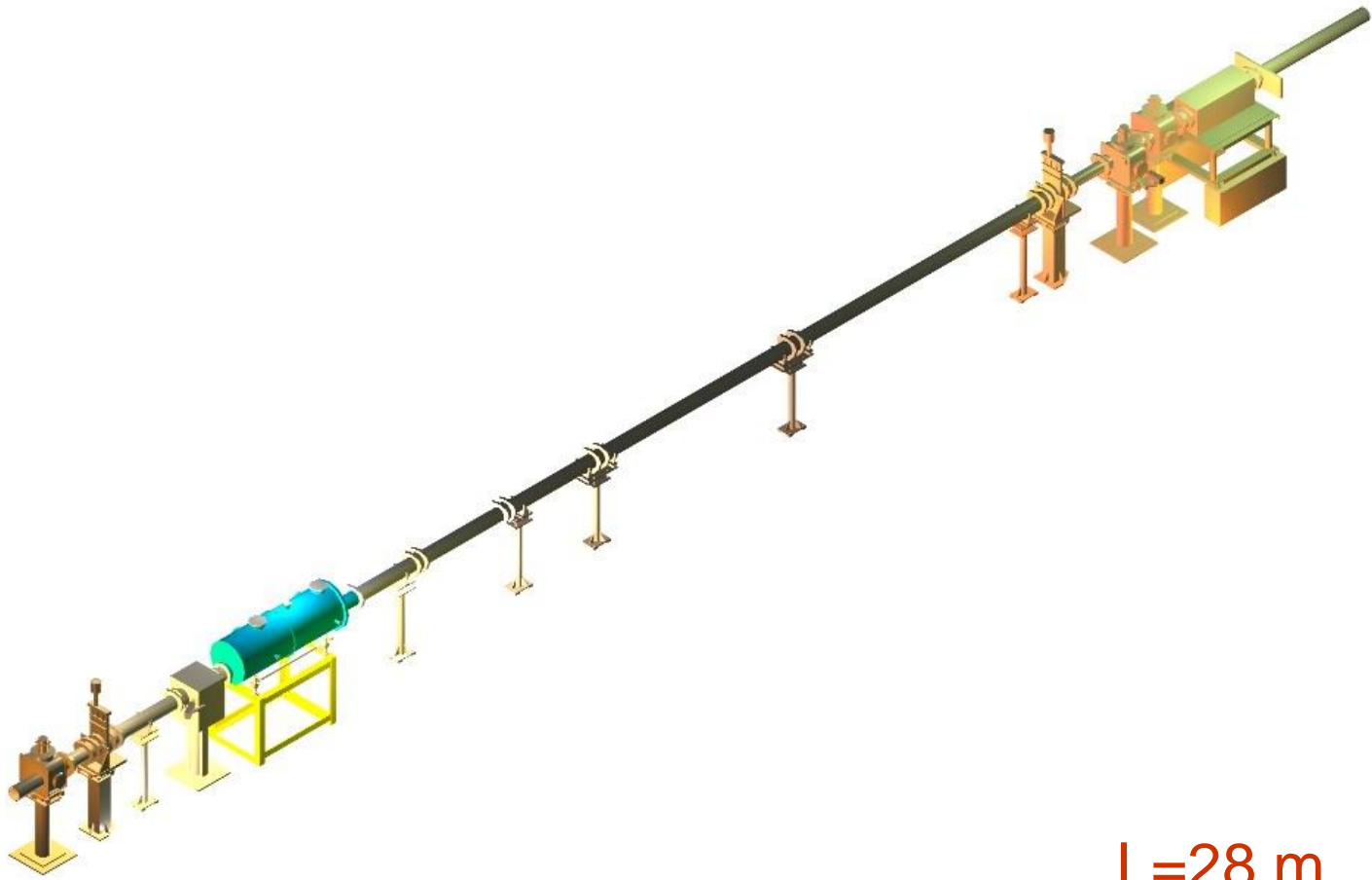
L=6 m



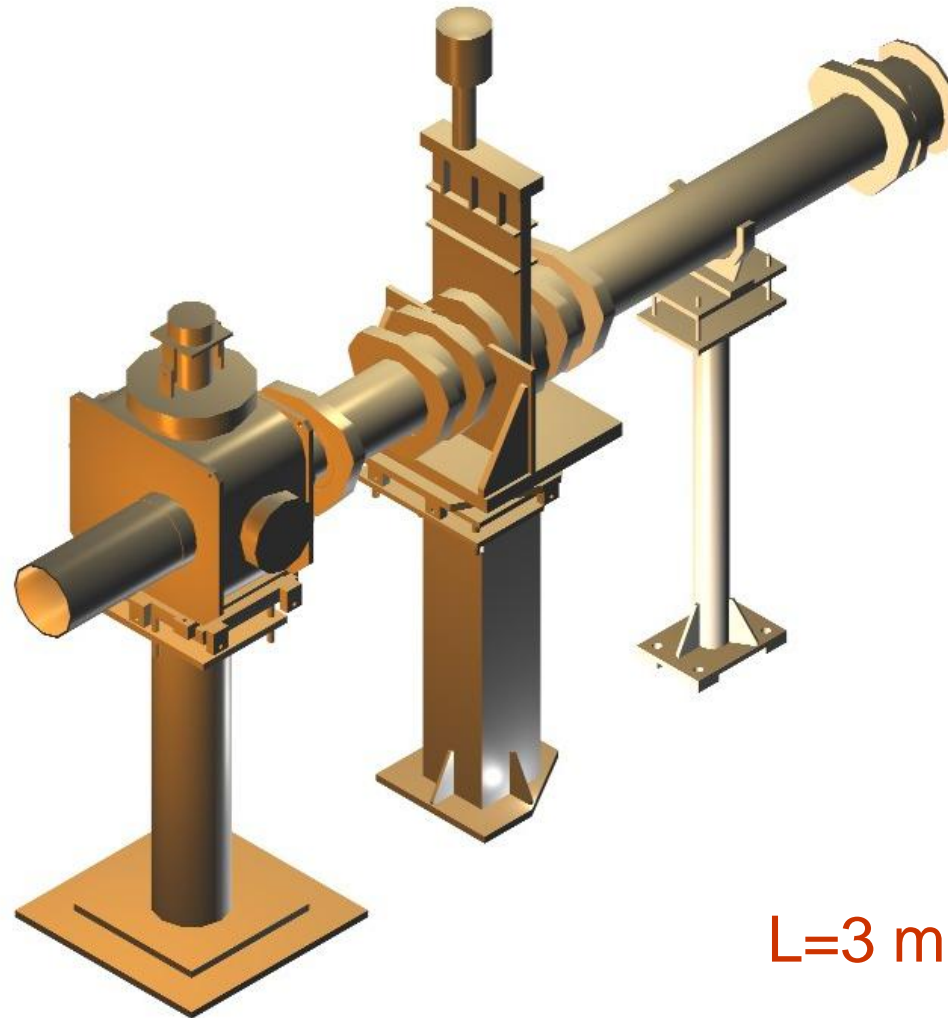
Secondary particle channel and shield



Proton beam line (1998)

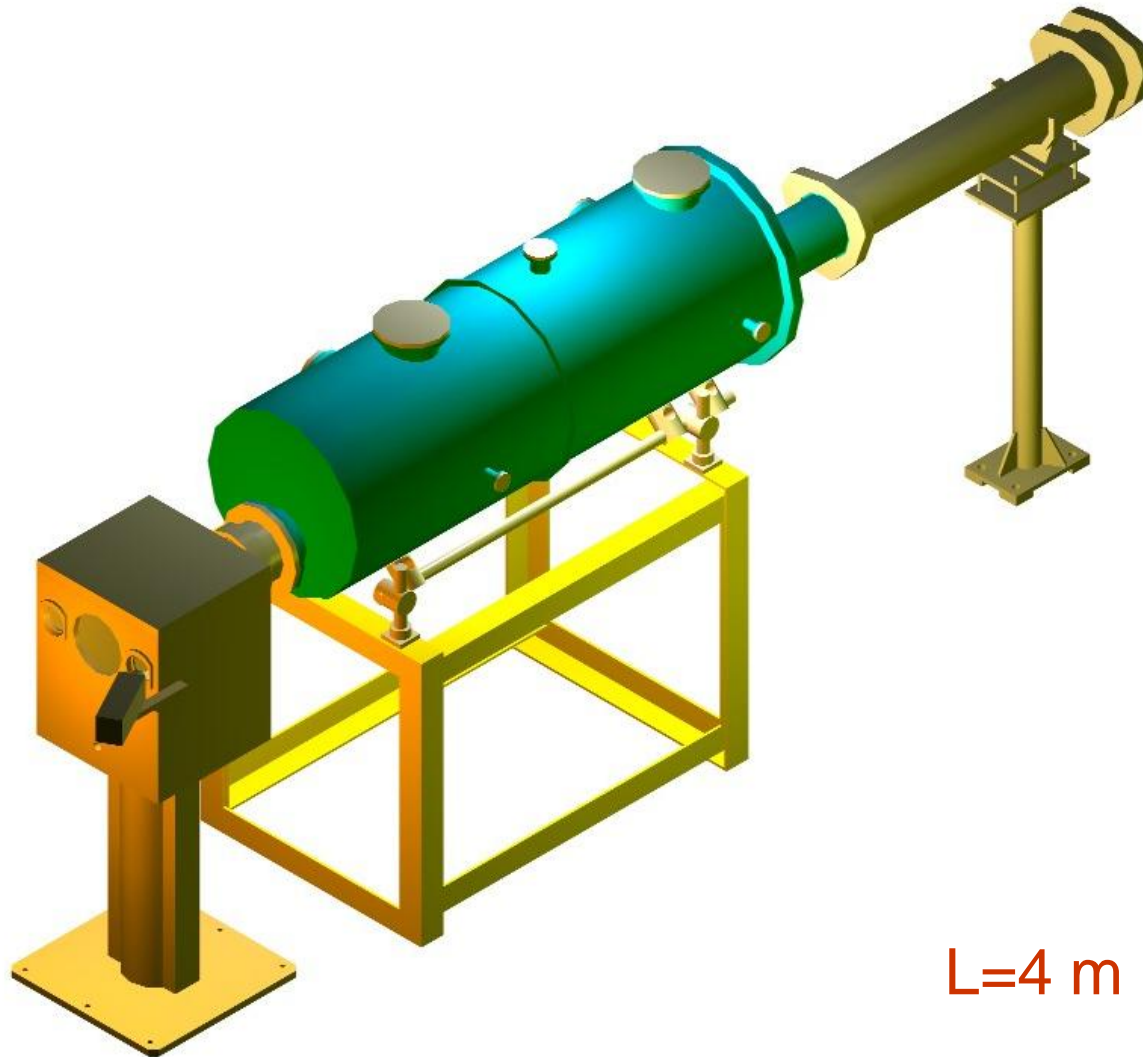


Proton beam line 1 (1998)



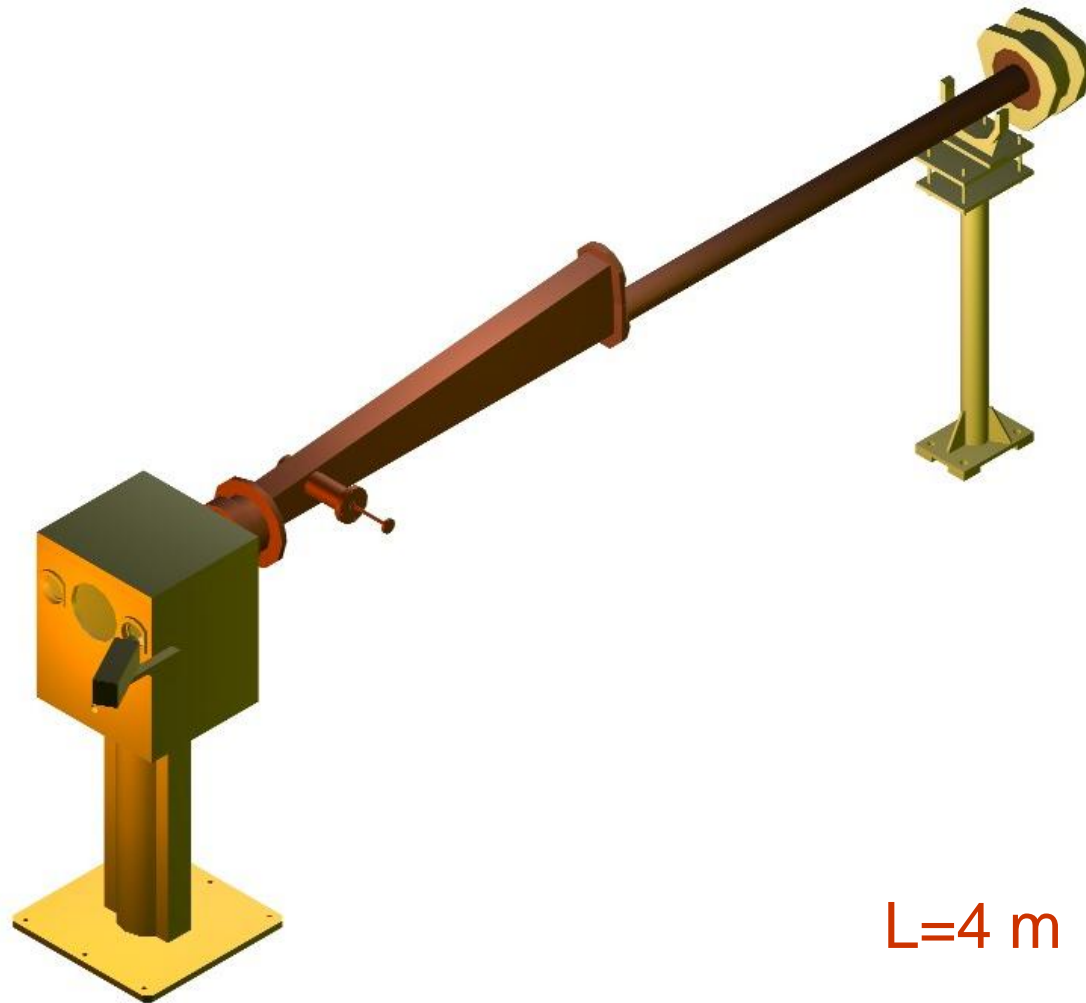
L=3 m

Proton beam line 2 (1998)



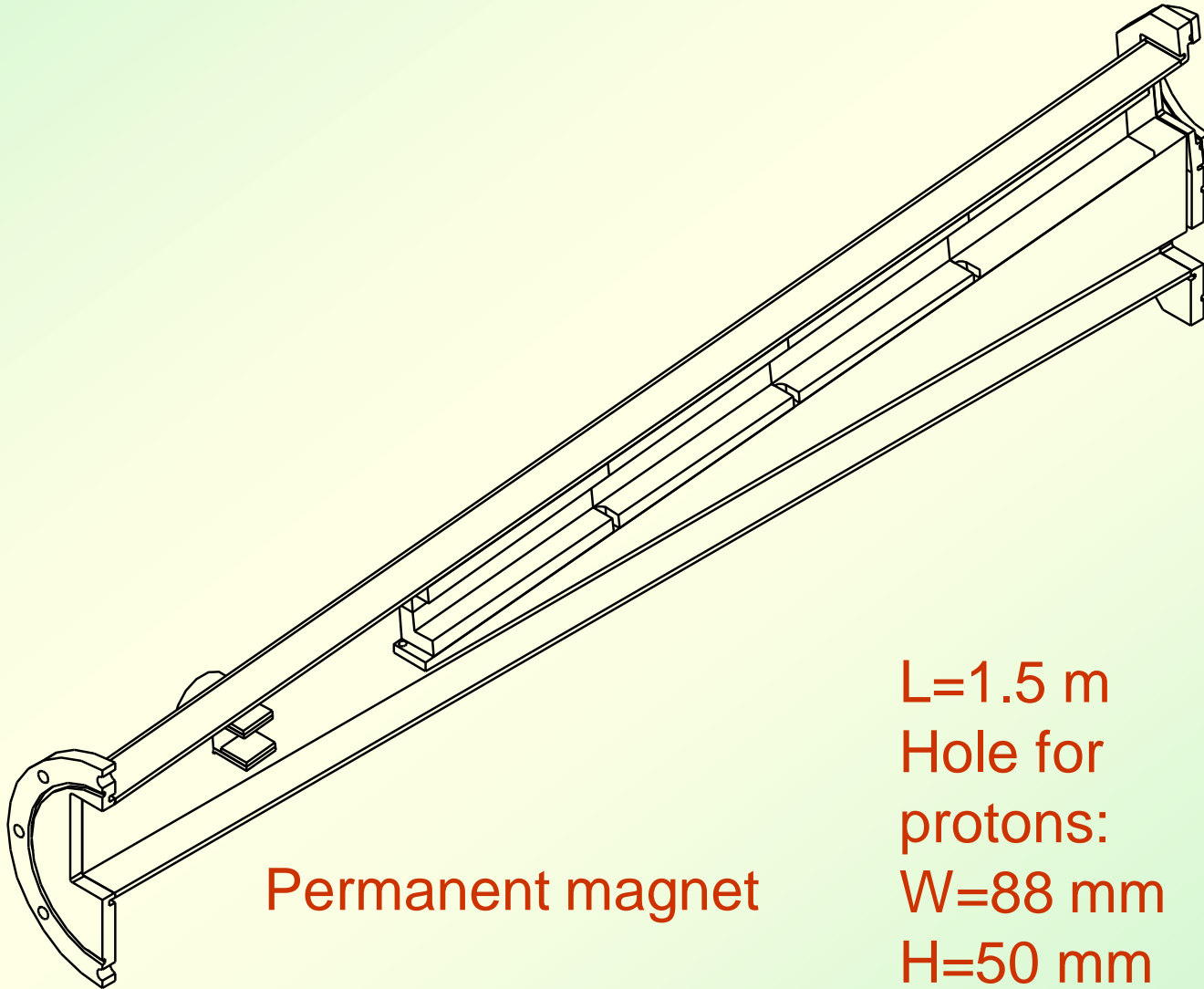
L=4 m

Proton beam line 2 (2006)



L=4 m

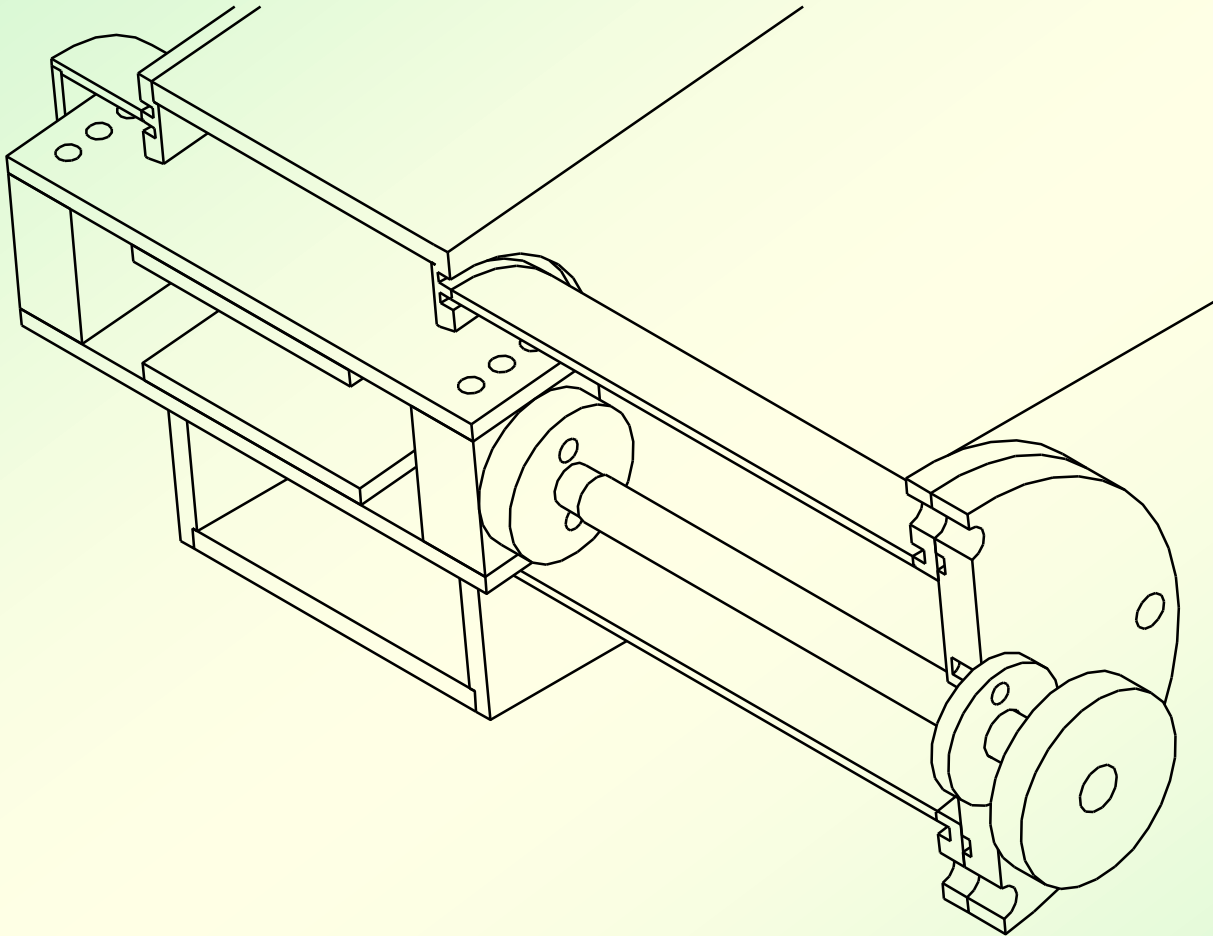
Collimators (2006)



Permanent magnet

L=1.5 m
Hole for
protons:
W=88 mm
H=50 mm

Permanent magnet (not installed)



For SFD

150x40x50 mm (WxLxH)

Soft iron yoke

Weight 1 kg

Poles Nd-Fe-B

Pole size

70x40x5 mm (WxLxH)

Gap 30 mm

$B=0.27$ T

$BL=0.01$ Tm

Precision $<0.5\%$

3 GeV/c - 1 mrad

SFD ± 2.35 mm

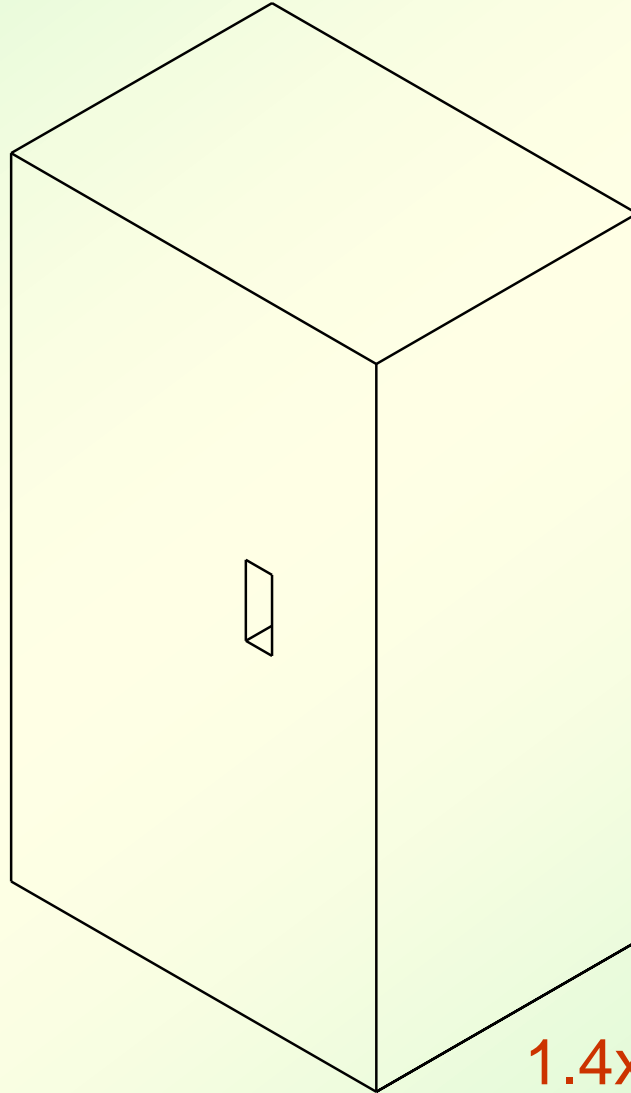
550 mm from target

Beam sect. 20x20 mm

Clearance for p 30 mm

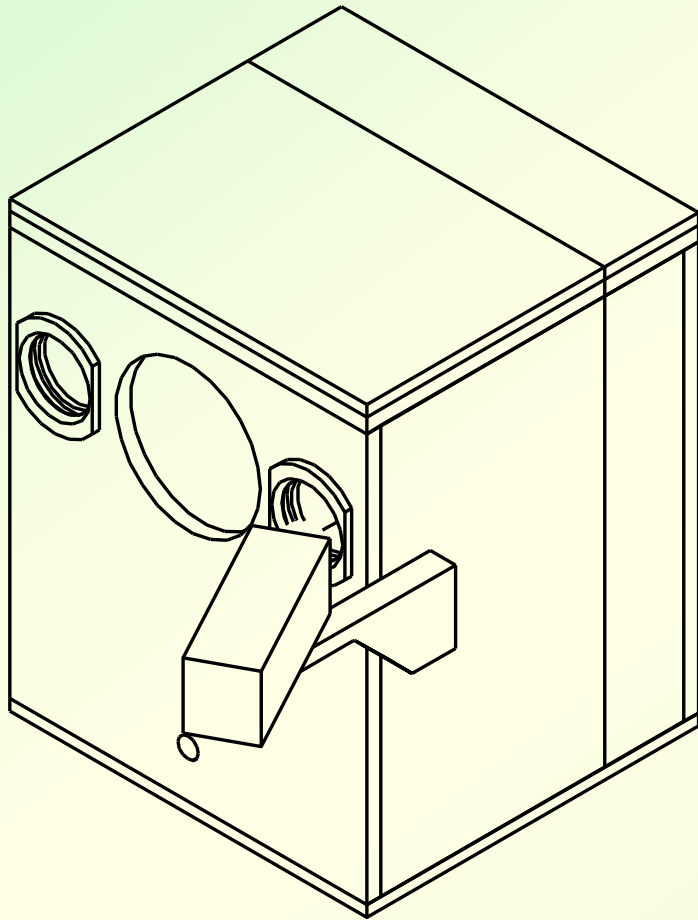
Retractable

Shield (2006)

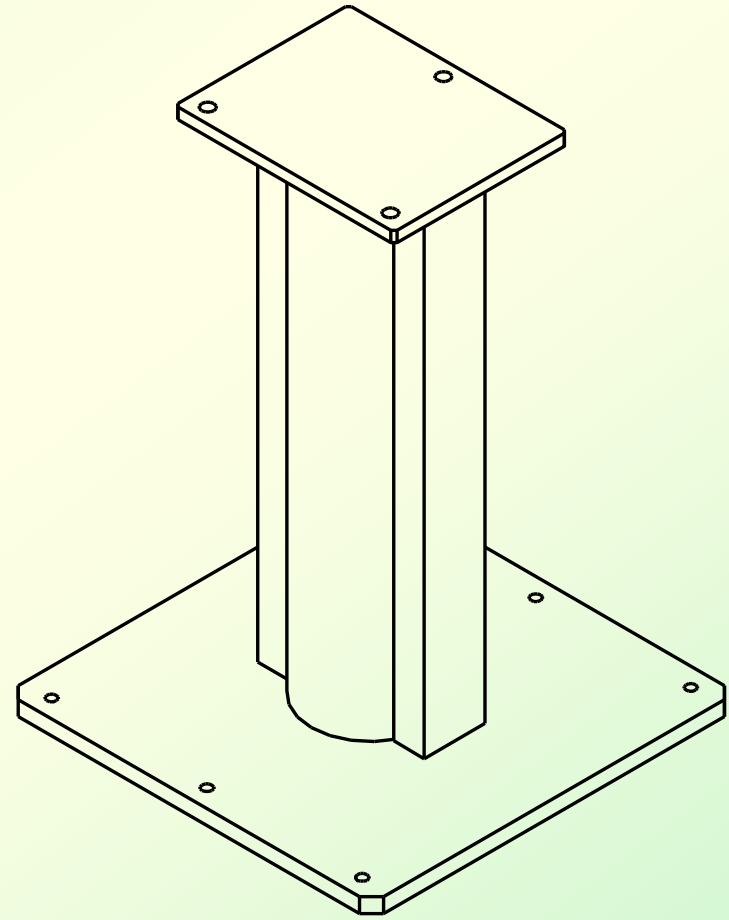


1.4x2.4x1.0 m³ (WxHxL)

Target station and support (1998)

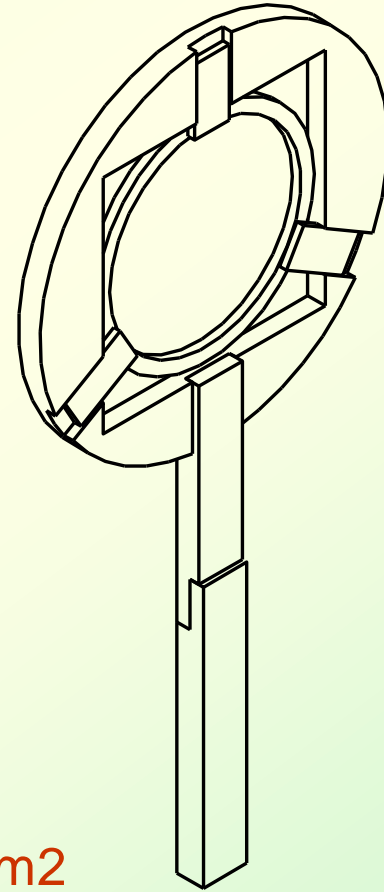
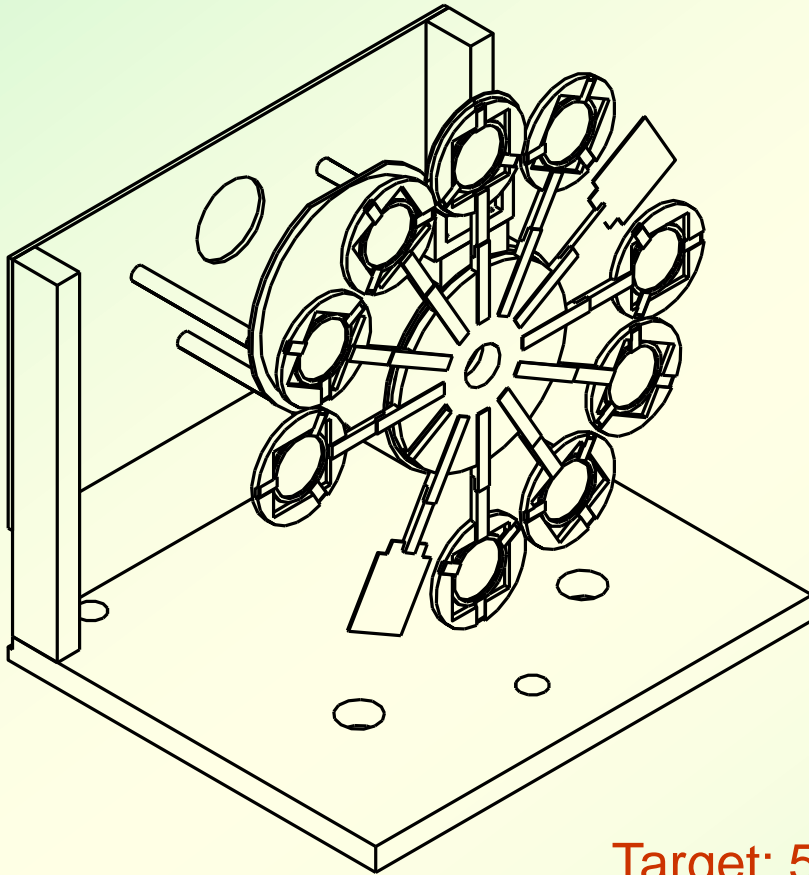


50x61x46 cm³ (WxHxL)



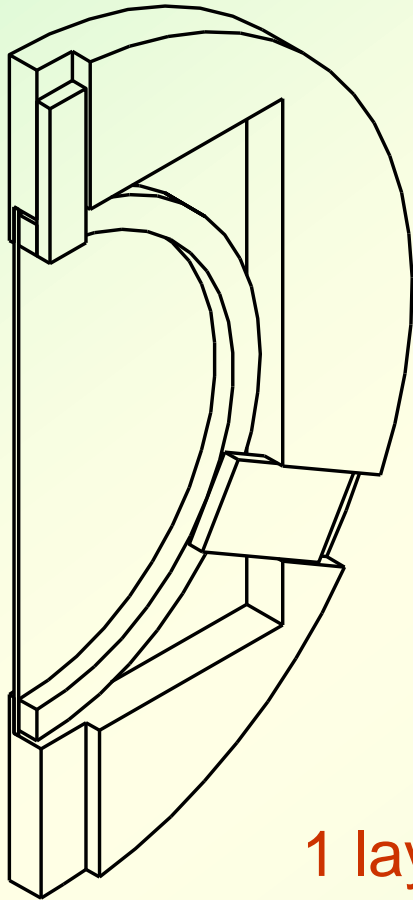
H=184 cm

Targets (1998)

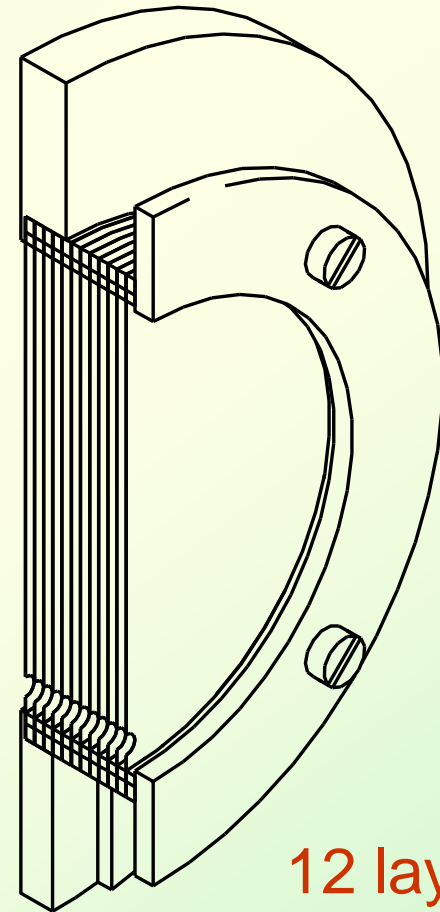


Target: 50x50 mm²

Single (1998) and multilayer (2002) targets

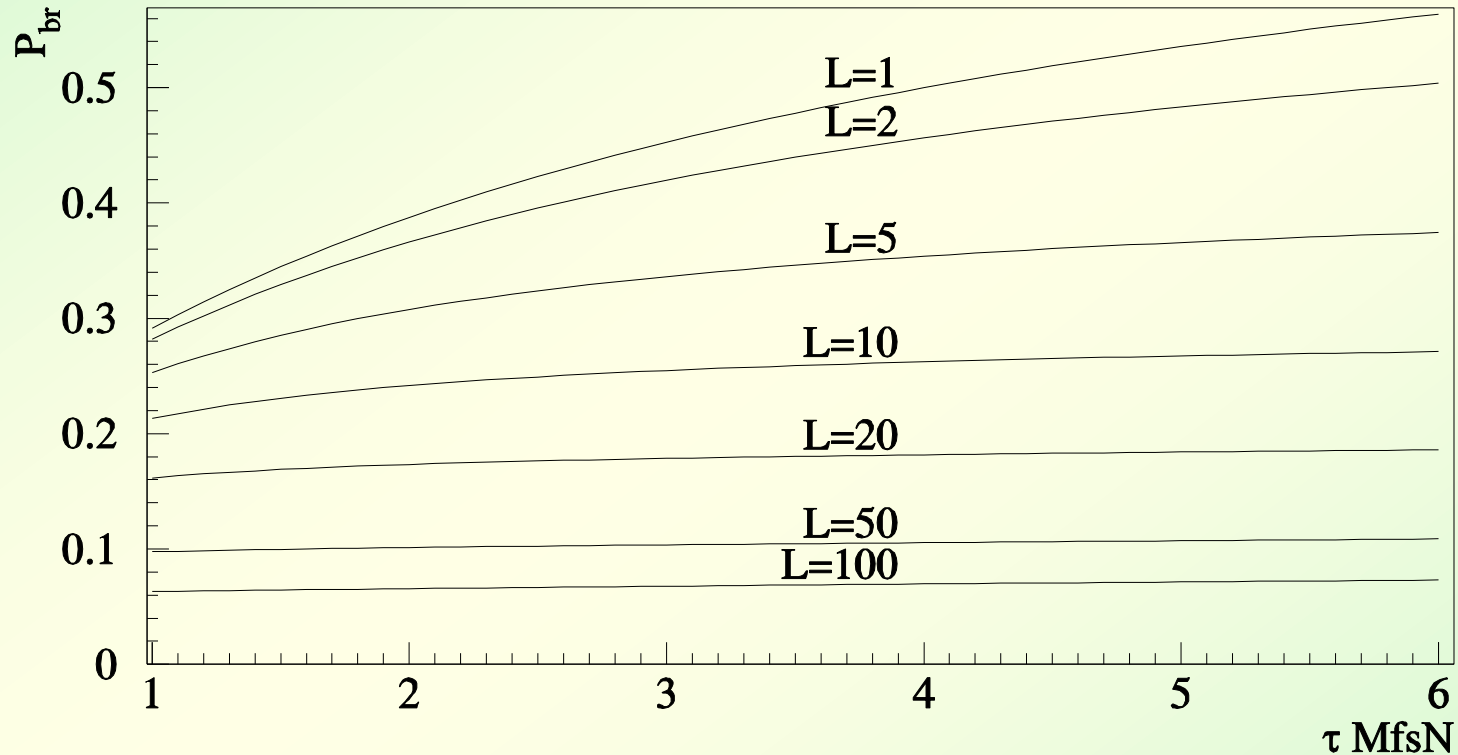


1 layer



12 layers

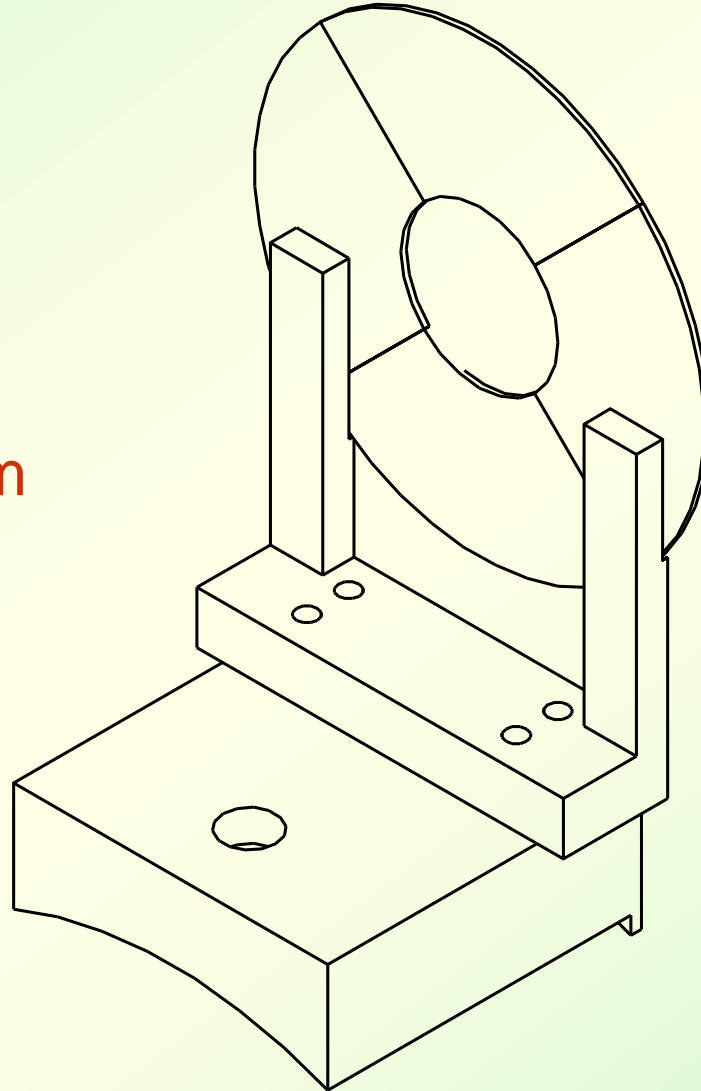
P_{br} for single and multilayer targets



Probability of A2pi breakup in Ni targets consisting of layers with 1 mm gaps and total thickness of 100 mkm as a function of lifetime.

Beam position detector (1998)

Diameters:
30 and 86 mm

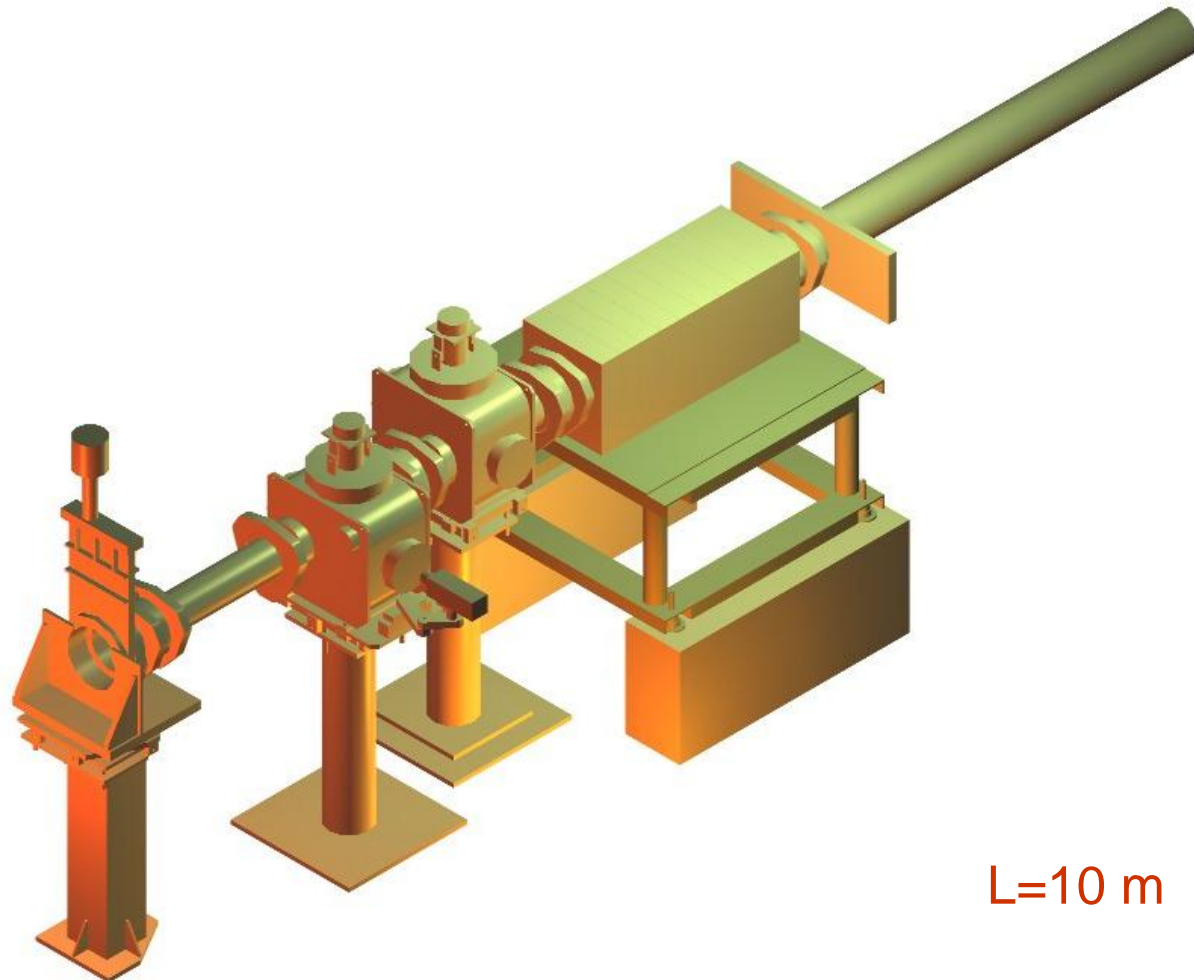


Proton beam line 3 (1998)



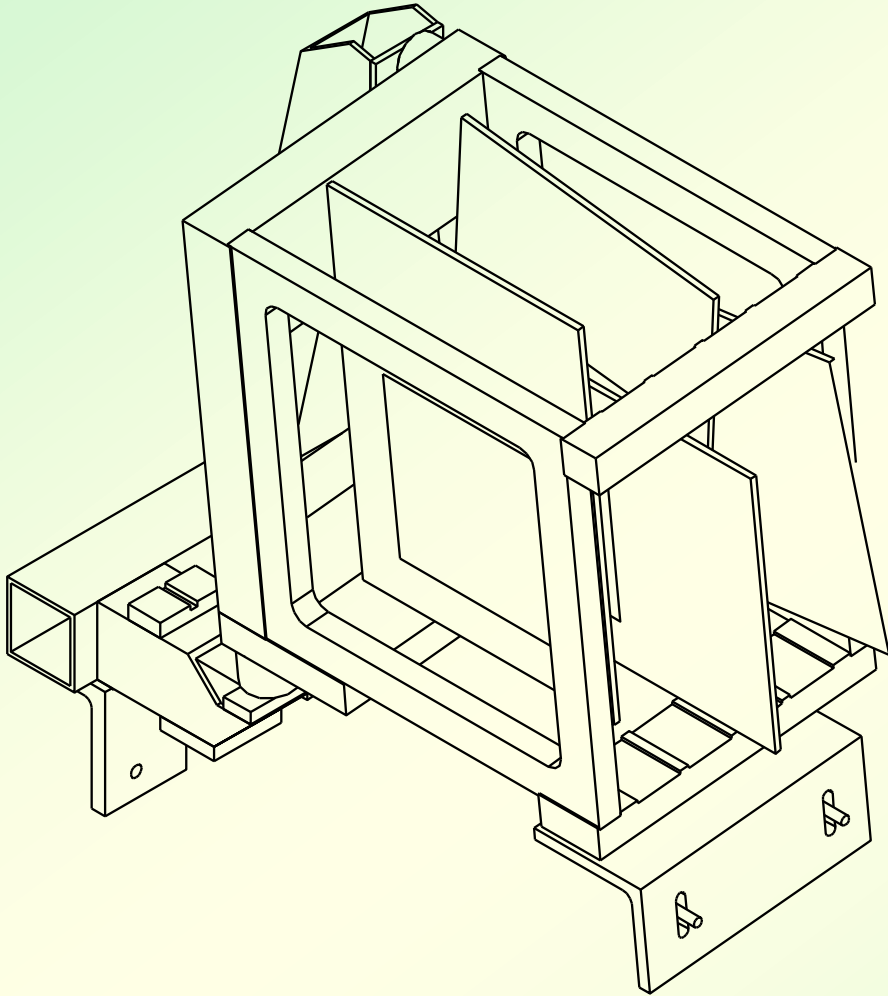
L=11 m

Proton beam line 4 (1998)



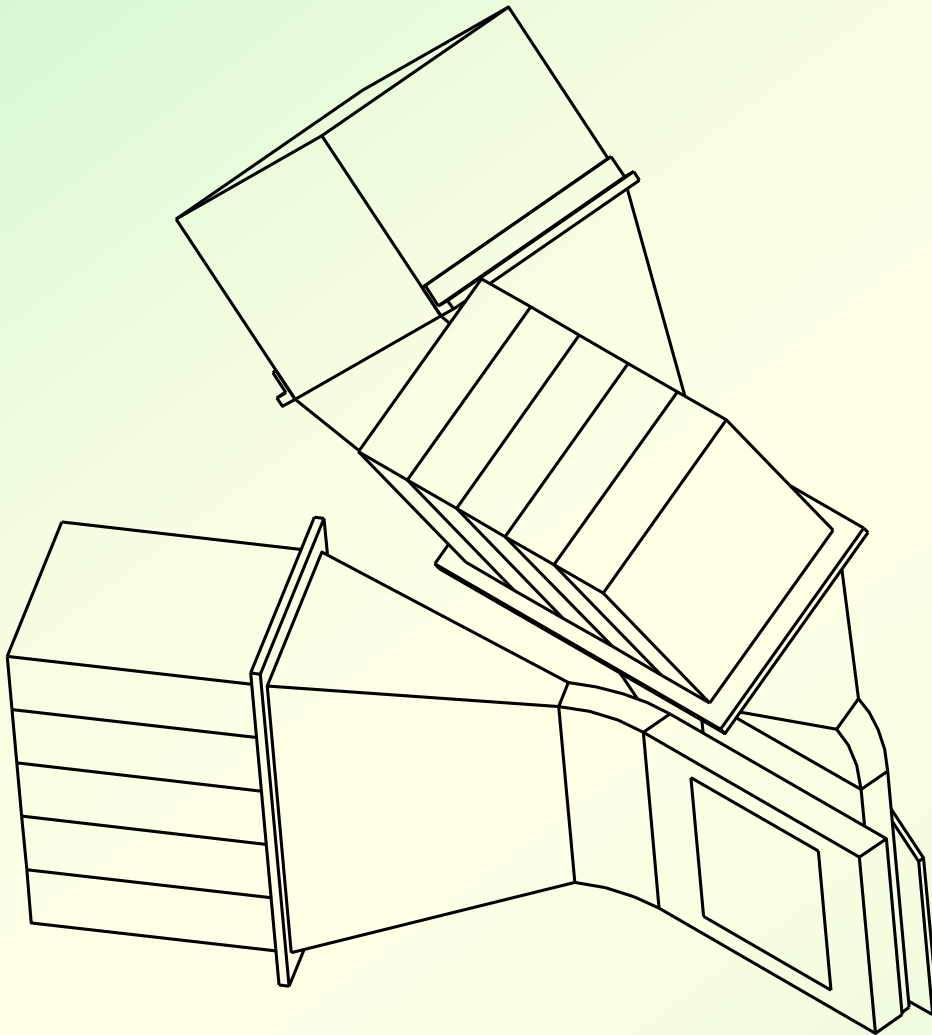
L=10 m

Micro strip gas chambers (1998)



Proportional gas detector
Gas Electron Amplifier (GEM) +
Micro Strip Gas Chambers (MSGC)
Active area 10.24x10.24 cm²
Single-hit resolution 54 mkm
4 planes

Scintillation fiber detector (1998, 2002)



X (Y) plane (1998):

105x105 mm

Fibres KURARAY SCSF38

Fibre diameter 0.50 mm

Fibres in column 5

Columns pitch 0.44 mm

Number of channels 240

15 16-ch Hamamatsu H6568

Rise time 0.7 ns

Light output 6-10 phe

Spatial resolution 127 mkm

Time resolution 0.65 ns

U plane (2002):

Fibres: SCSF78M

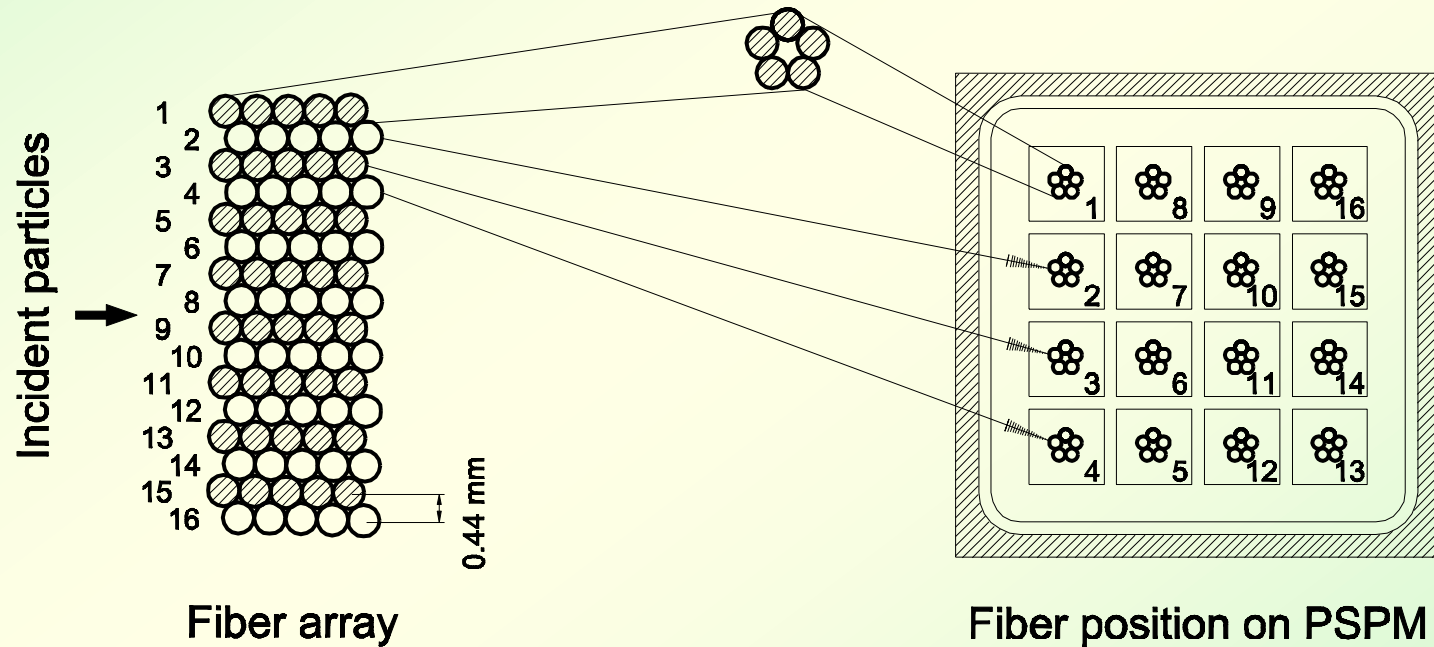
Fibre diameter 0.57 mm

Fibres in column 3

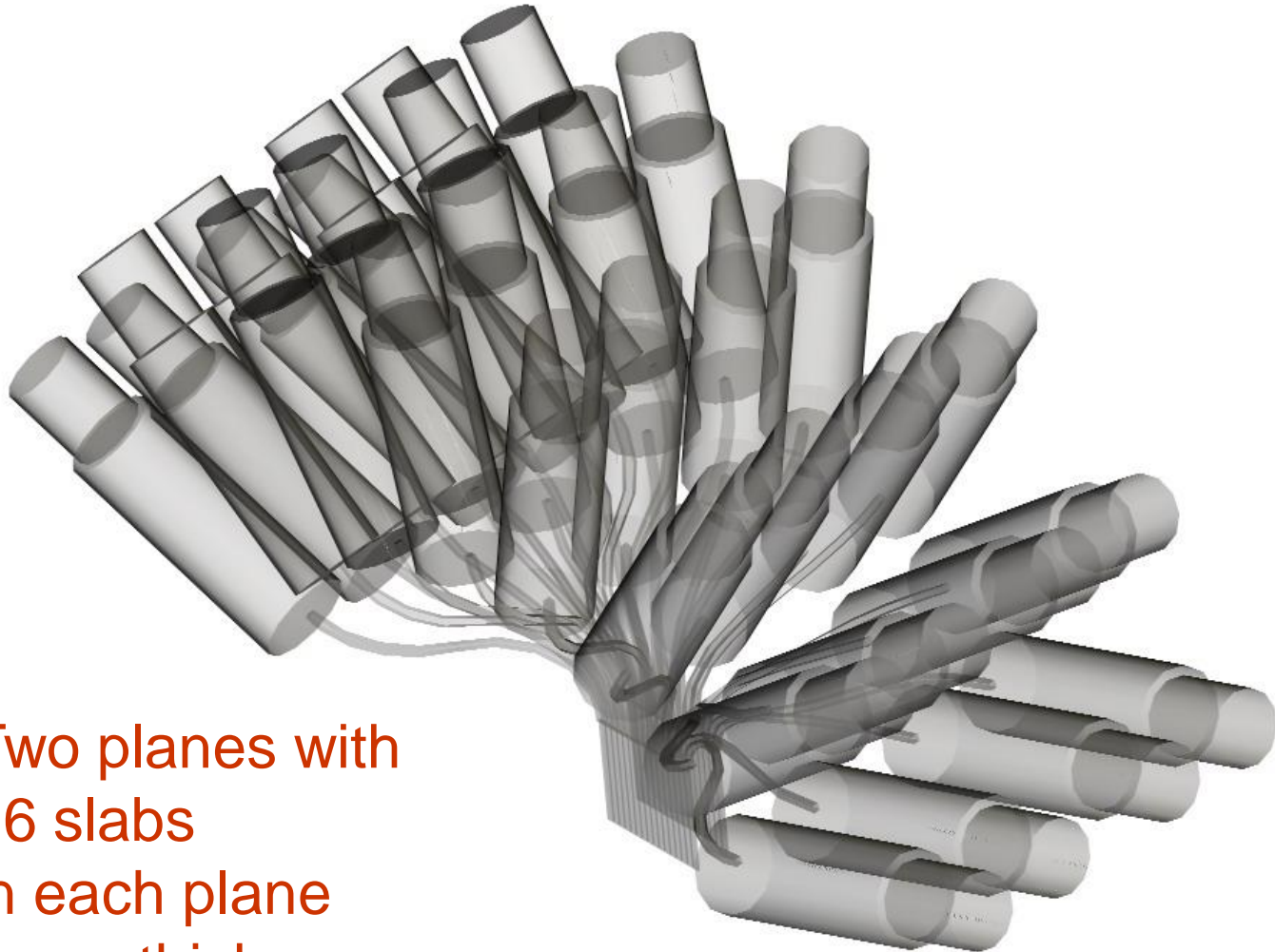
Number of channels 320

Number of PSPM 20

Scintillation fiber detector (1998)



Scintillation ionization detector (1998)

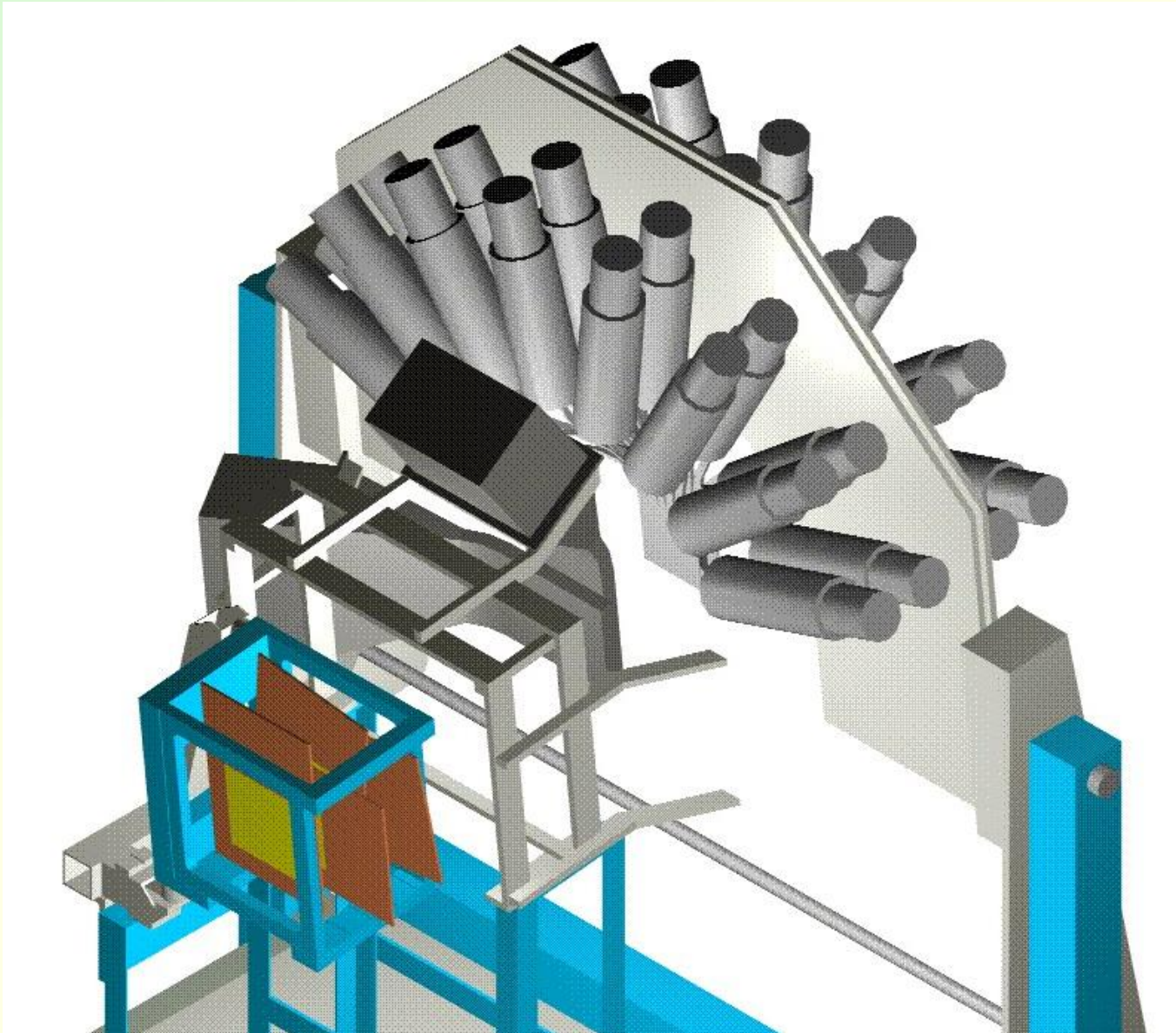


Two planes with
16 slabs
in each plane
2 mm thickness

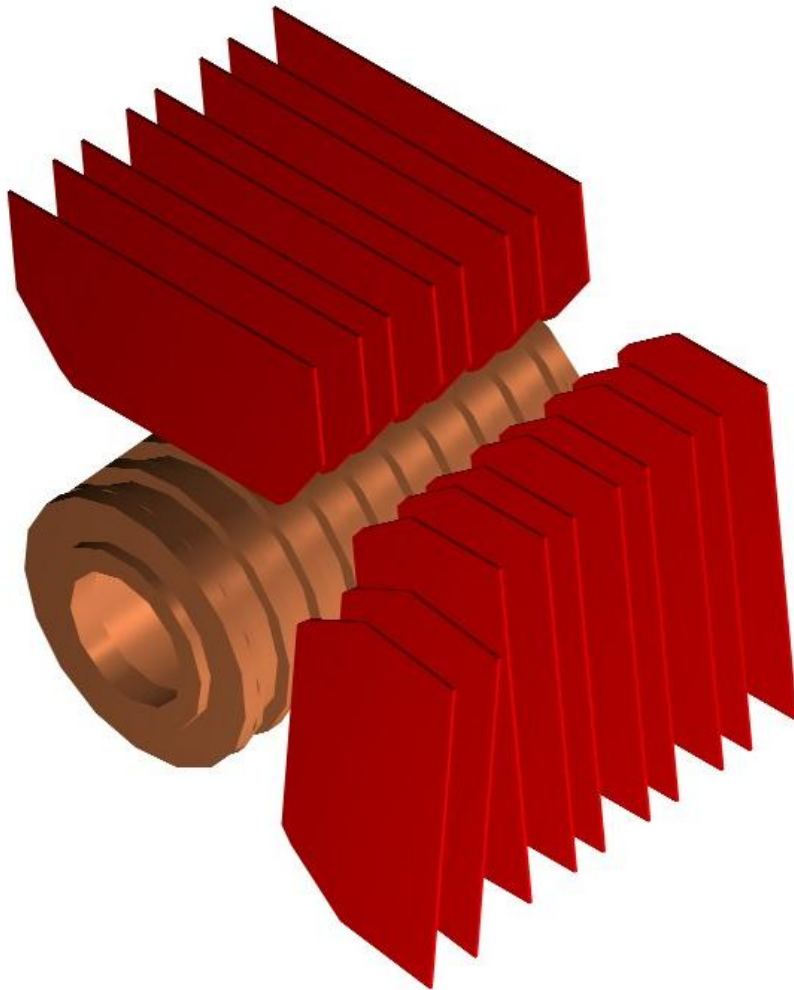
Upstream detectors MSGC, SFD, IH (1998)



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Micro drift chambers (2006)



18 planes: X, Y, U

Area: 80x80 mm

Gas mixture: Ar(0.33)+
iC₄H₁₀(0.66)+H₂O(0.01)

Anode pitch 2.5 mm

32 wires in a plane

Sell size: 2.5x2 mm

Drift time: 26 ns

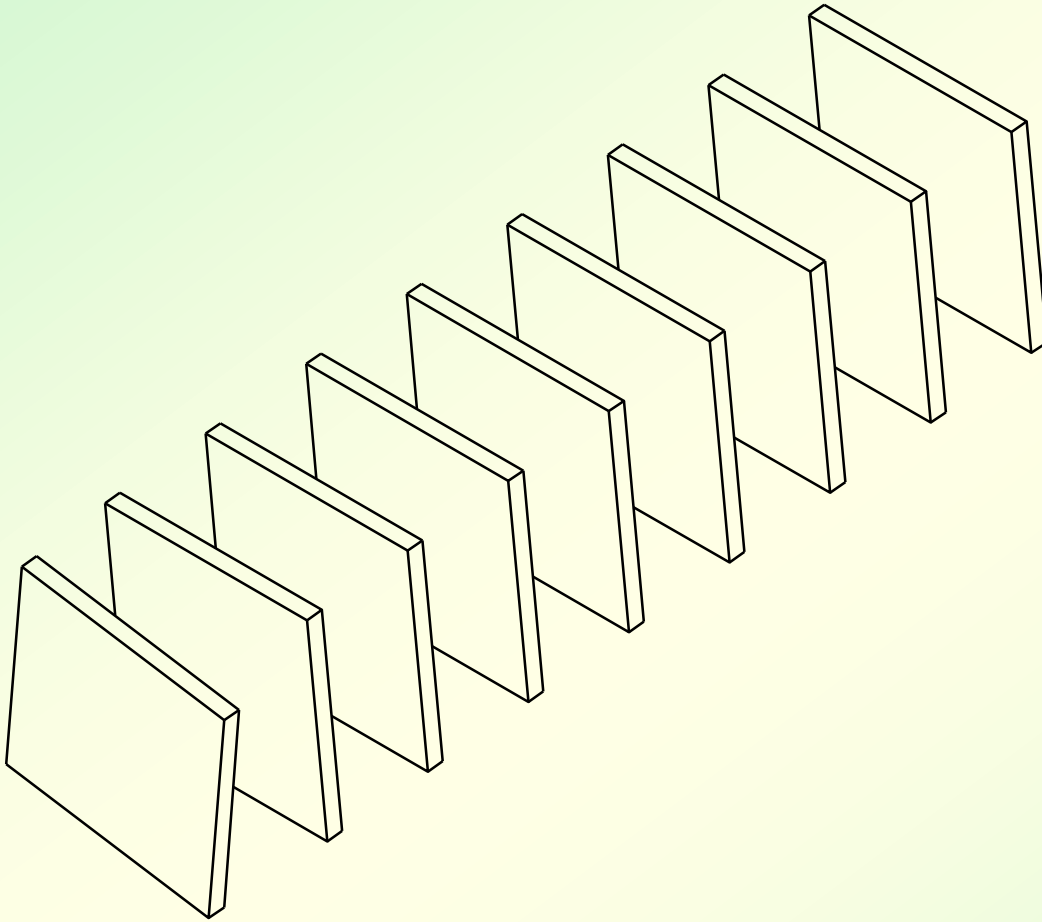
Time resolution: <1 ns

Space. resol. <80 mkm

2 track resol. <200 mkm

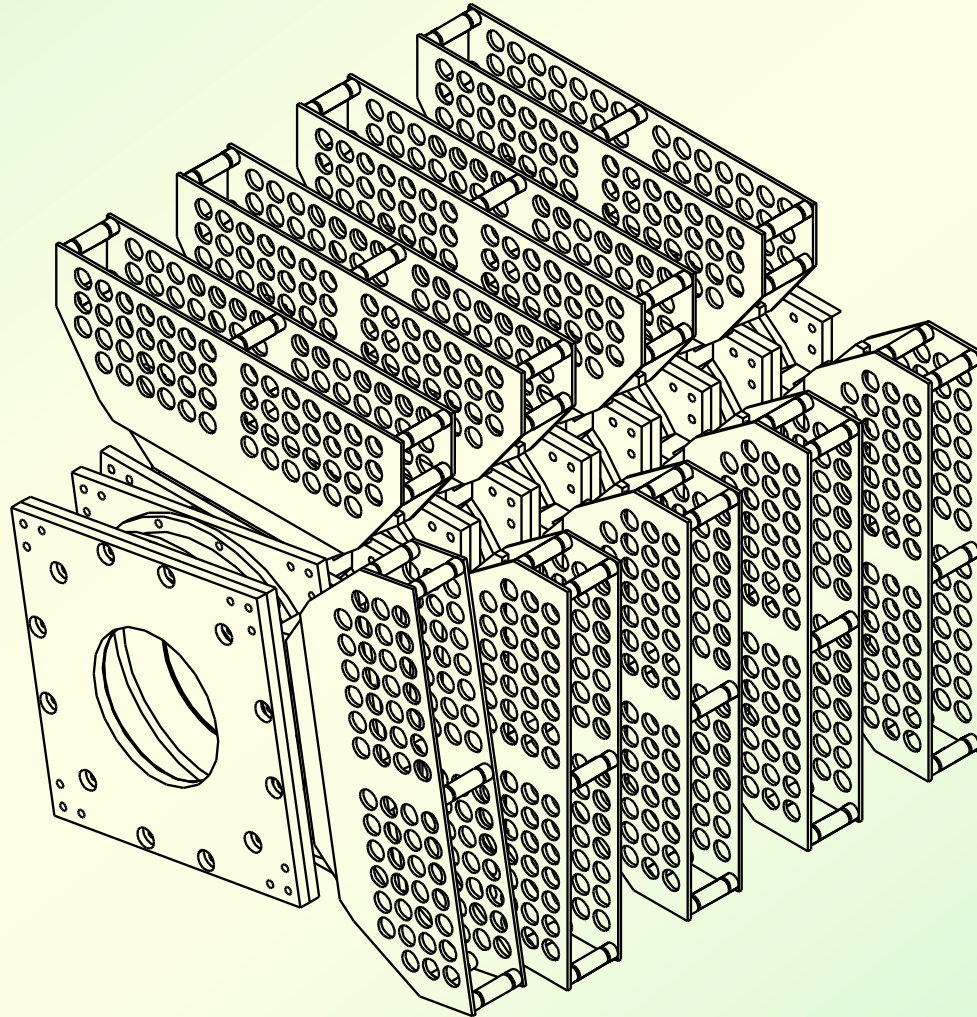
Readout time: <3 mks

Micro drift chambers (2006)

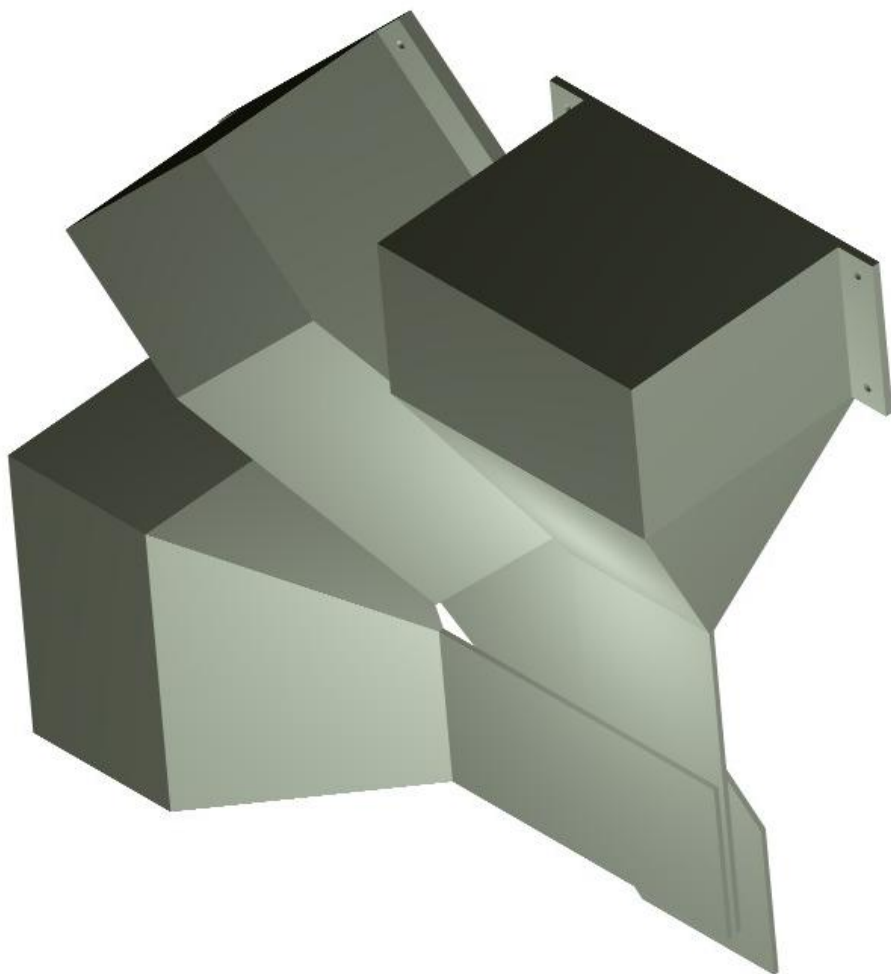


Base 325 mm
Each of 9 modules
consists of two planes
(XX, YY, UU)
U planes: 10 degrees
Two planes in a module
are displaced by
half of pitch
for two close track
resolution

Micro drift chambers (proposal)



Scintillation fiber detector (2002, 2006)



Plane X (Y) (2006)

Area 98.5×107 mm

Thickn. (one plane) 3.1 mm

480 columns

8 fibres in a column

Fibre diameter 0.5 mm

Column pitch 0.205 mm

30 16 ch H6568 per plane

Light output 11 p.e.

Time resolution 0.46 ns

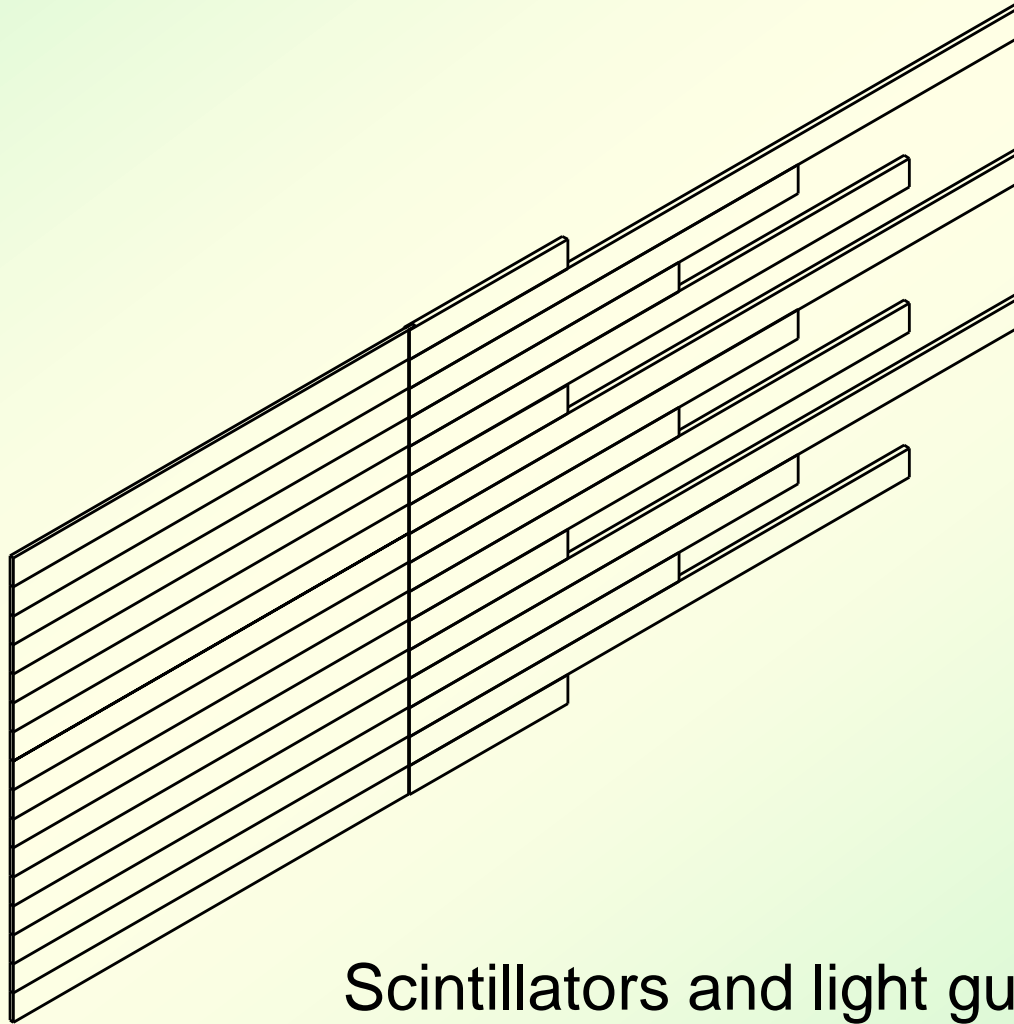
Space resol. $\sigma \approx 60$ μ m

New electronics

ADC-TDC for 960 channels

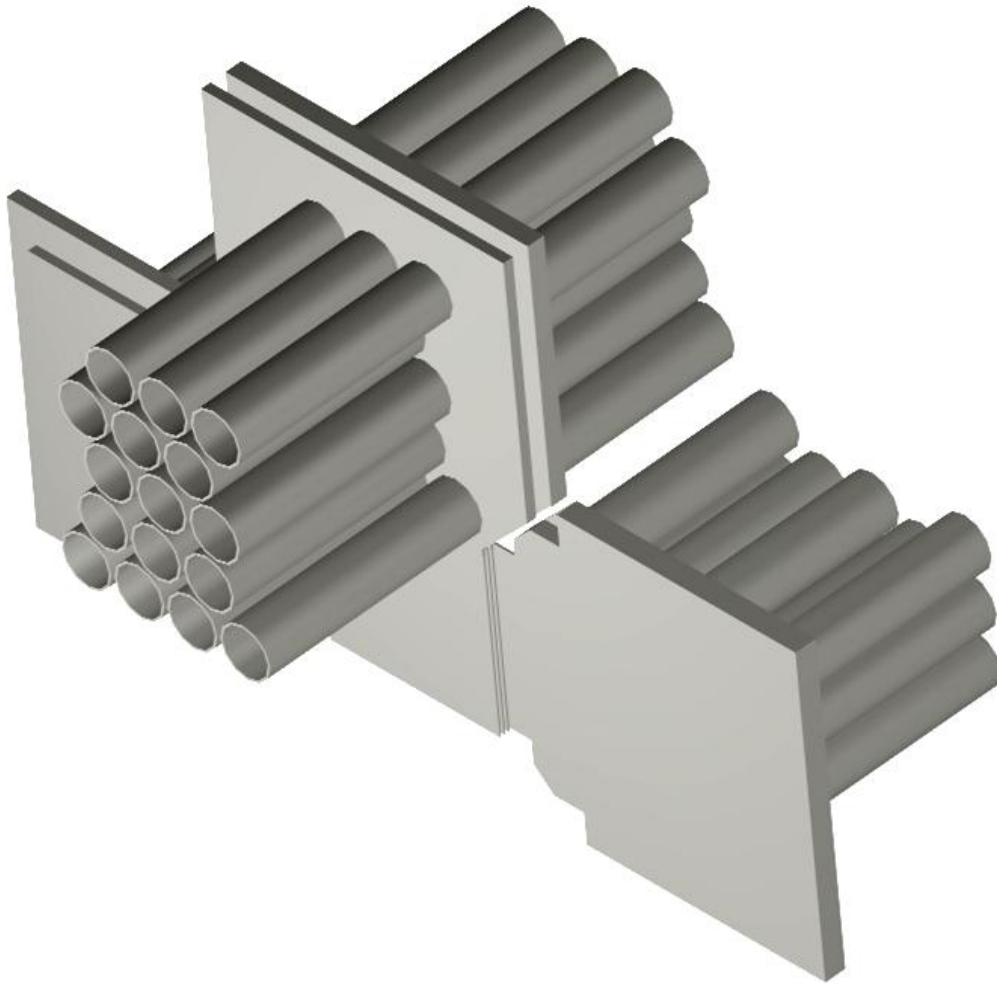
Plane U (2002)

Scintillation ionization detector (2001)



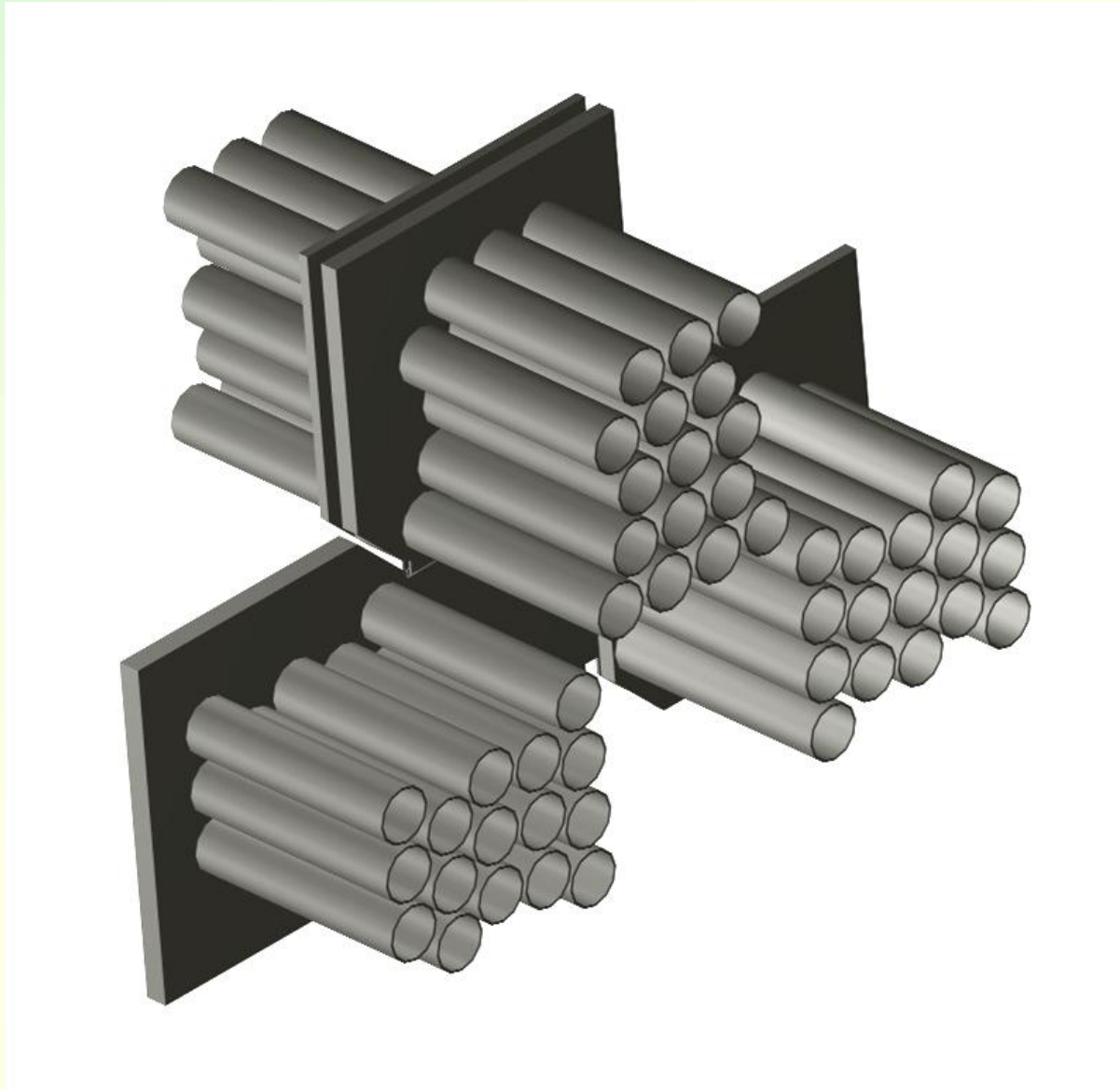
Scintillators and light guides

Scintillation ionization detector (2001)

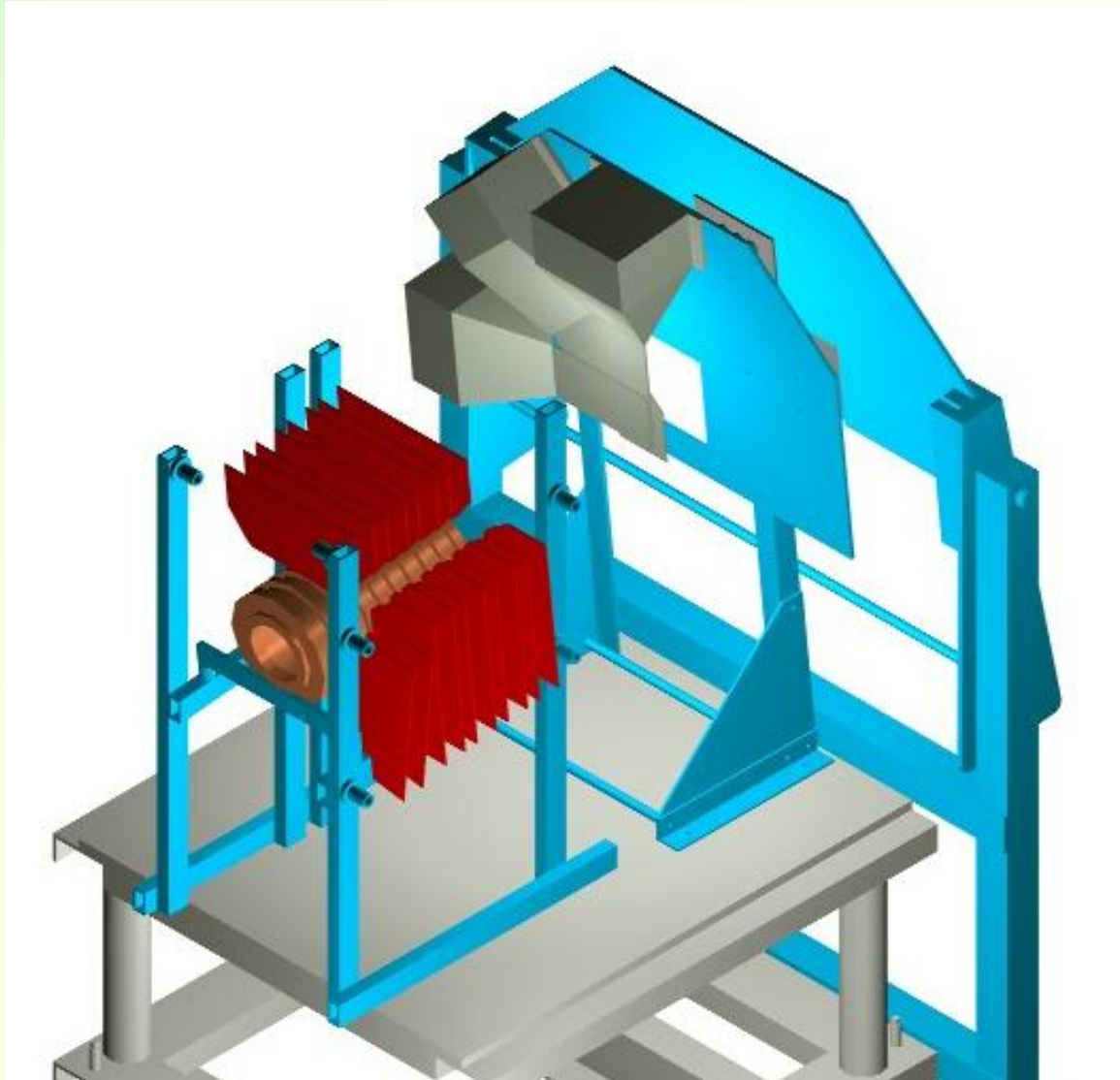


4 planes 11x11 cm
X-A, Y-A, X-B, Y-B
Slabs 11x7x1 mm
Scintillator BC-408
Light guides 2x7 mm
Millipore film
30 mkm Al mylar
Gap 70 mkm
FEU-85, 16 units
Contact
with wide side of LG
Light increase by 50%.
Time resol. <1 ns
At 90 % of doubles,
singles <15%.

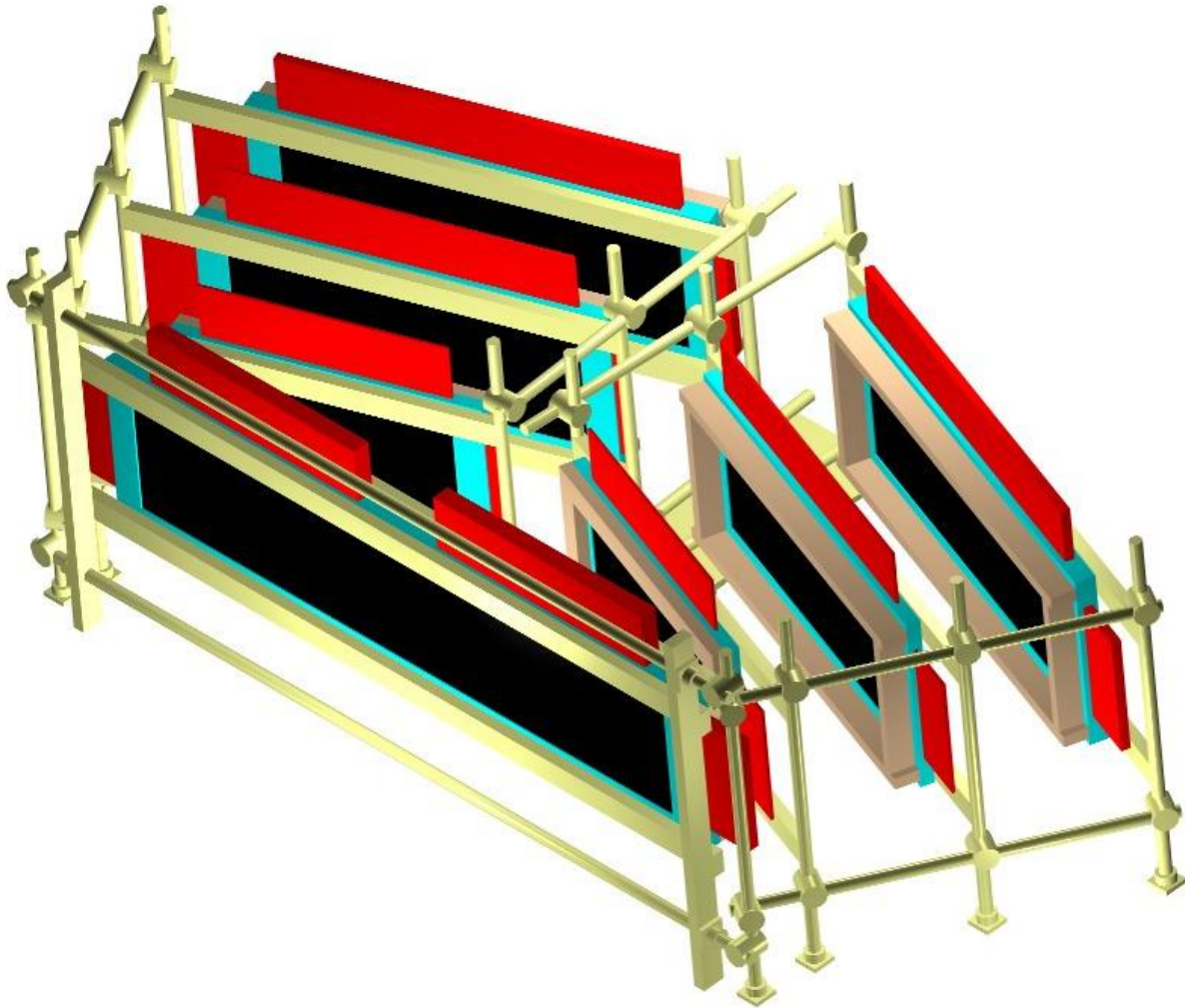
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Upstream detectors MDC, SFD, IH (2006)

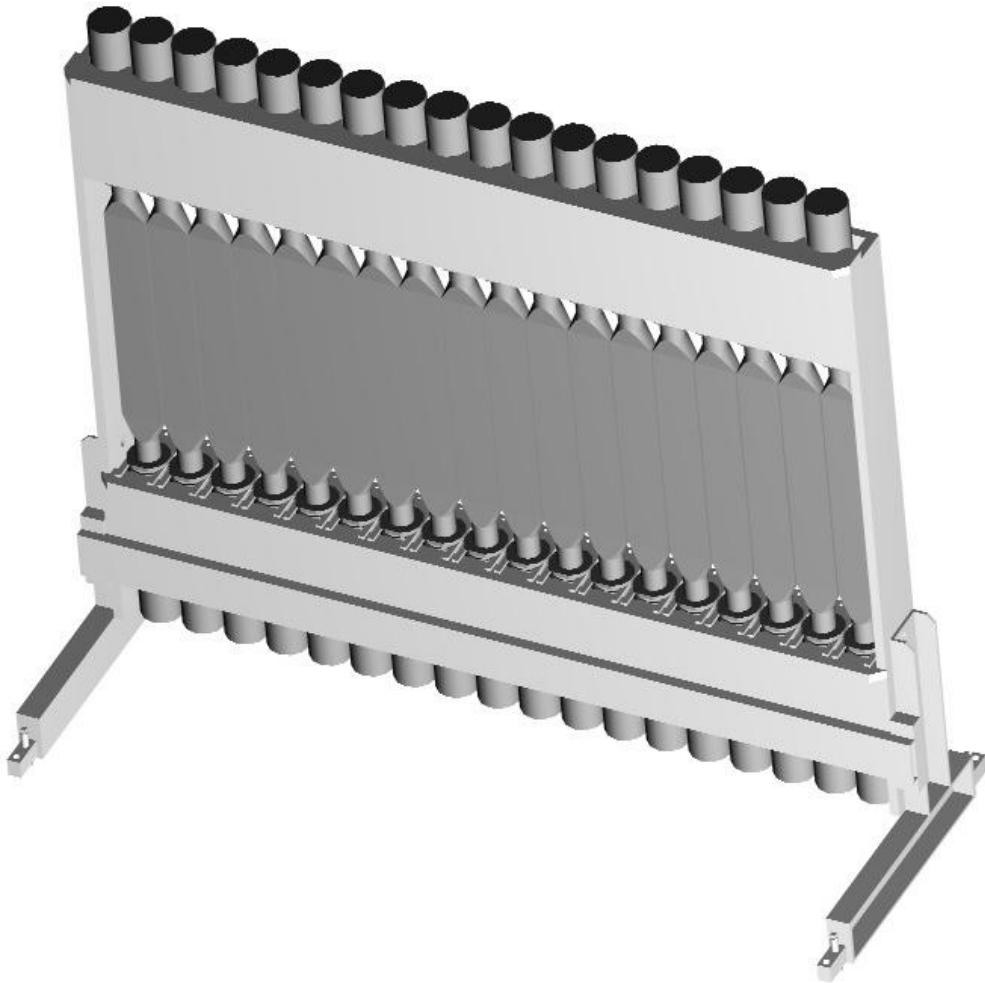


Drift chambers (1998)



DC1: 2x80x40 cm
X,Y,W,X,Y,W. 800 ch
DC2: X,Y, 80x40 cm
DC3: X,Y, 112x40 cm
DC4: X,Y,X,Y,
128x40 cm
Both arms: 1216 ch
Anode pitch: 10 mm
Cell: 10x10 mm
Cathode: 20 mkm
carbon-coated mylar
Anode wires: 50 mkm
copper-beryllium alloy
Drift velocity: 50 mkm
Amplitude: 1 mA
Pulse width: 20 ns
Resolution 90 mkm

Vertical hodoscope (1998)



Area: 130x40 cm

18 slabs: 40x7x2.2 cm

BICRON BC420

Two Hamamatsu

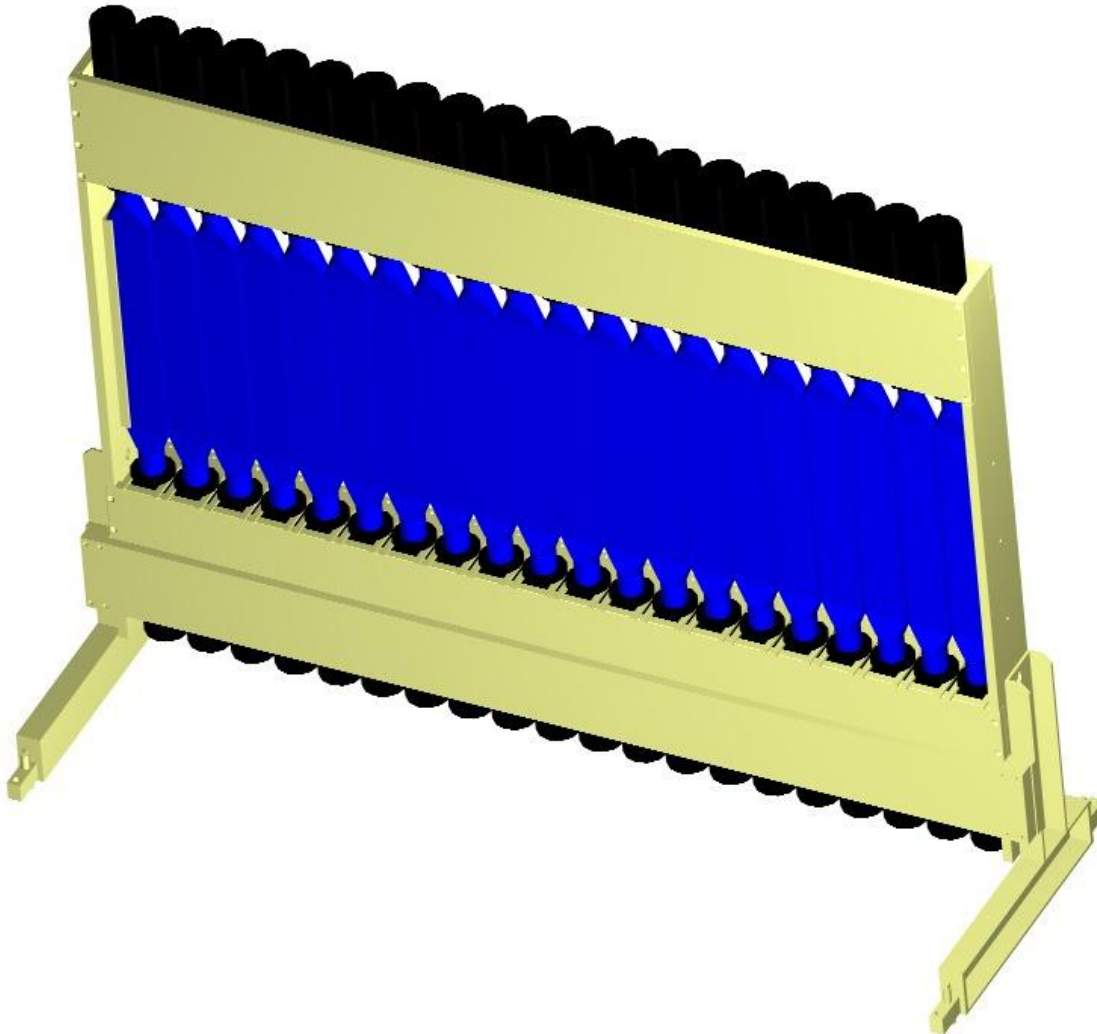
R1828-01

Least count: 62 ps

Time resolution 174 ps (2)

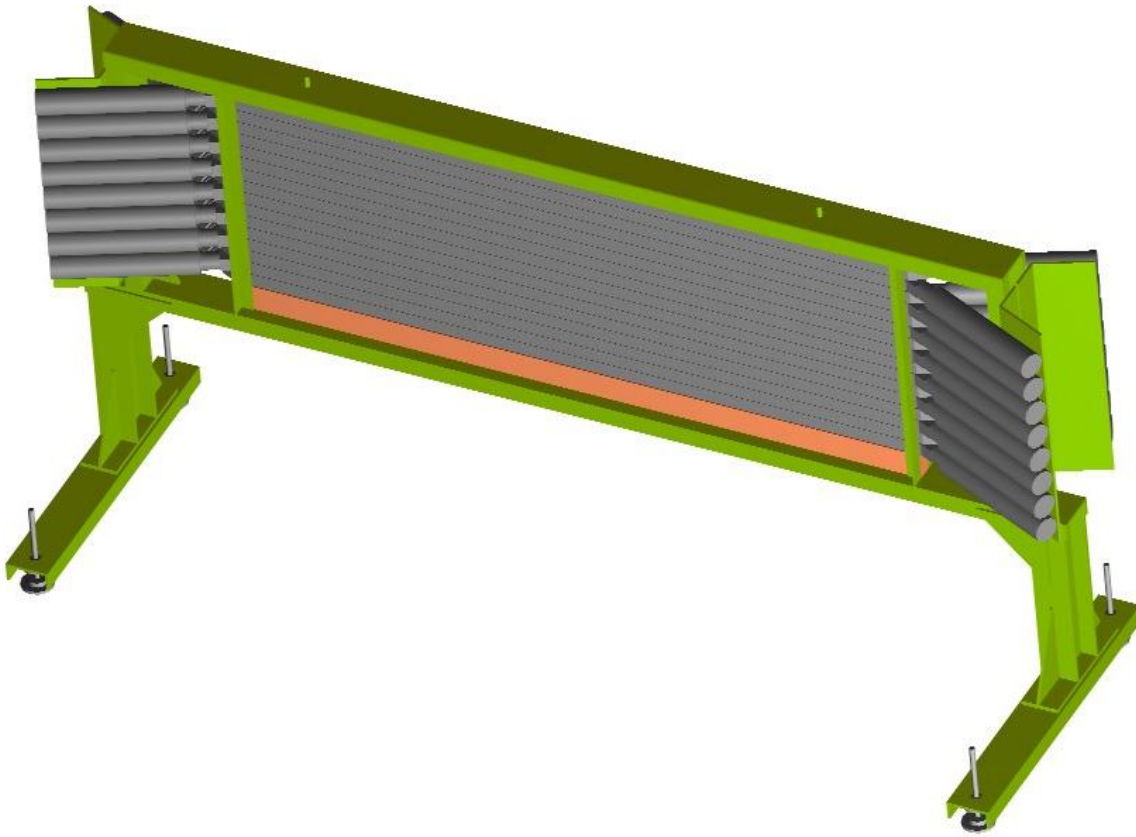
Time resolution 127 ps (1)

Vertical hodoscope (2006)



Area 144x40 cm
20 slabs 40x7x2.2 cm
BICRON BC420
Two Hamamatsu
R1828-01
Time resol. 153 ps (2)
Time resol. 108 ps (1)

Horizontal hodoscope (1998)



Area: 130x40 cm

16 slabs

130x2.5x2.5 cm

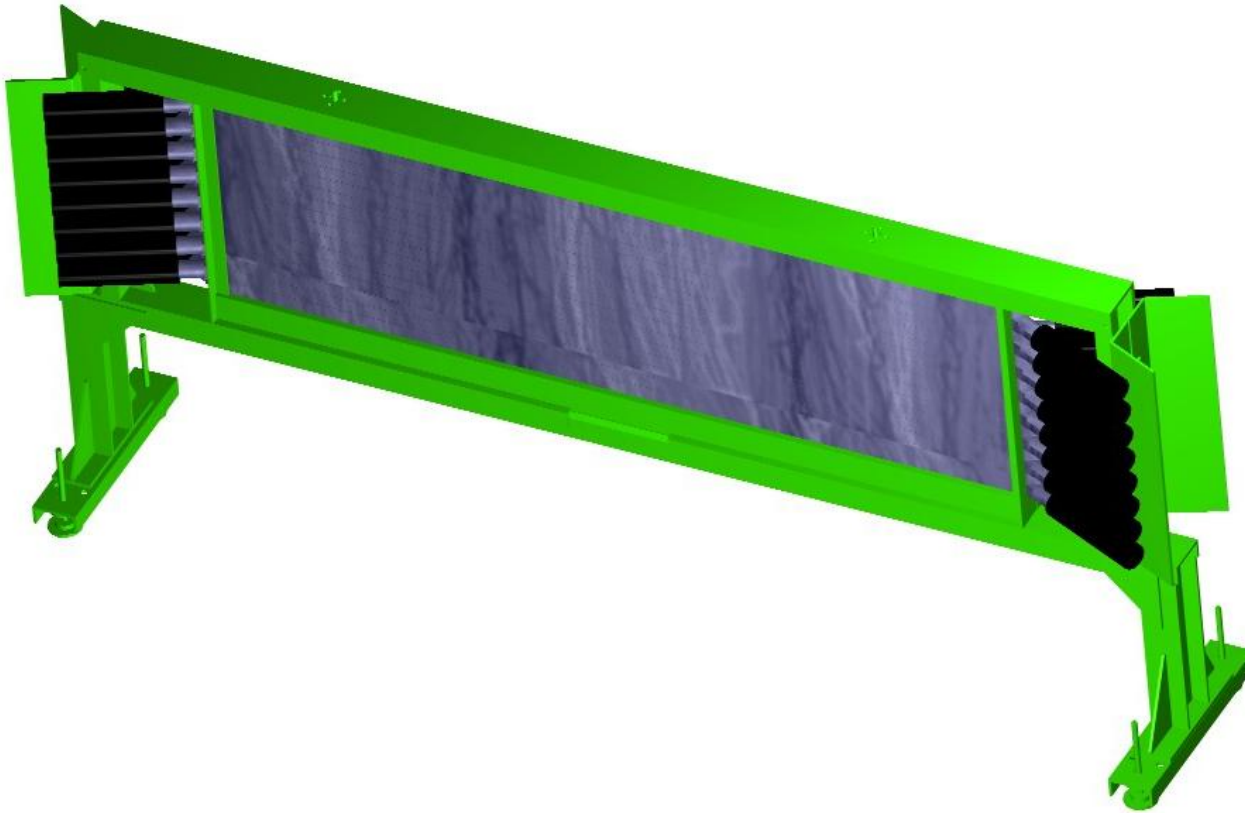
Philips XP2008

Time resolution

320 ps

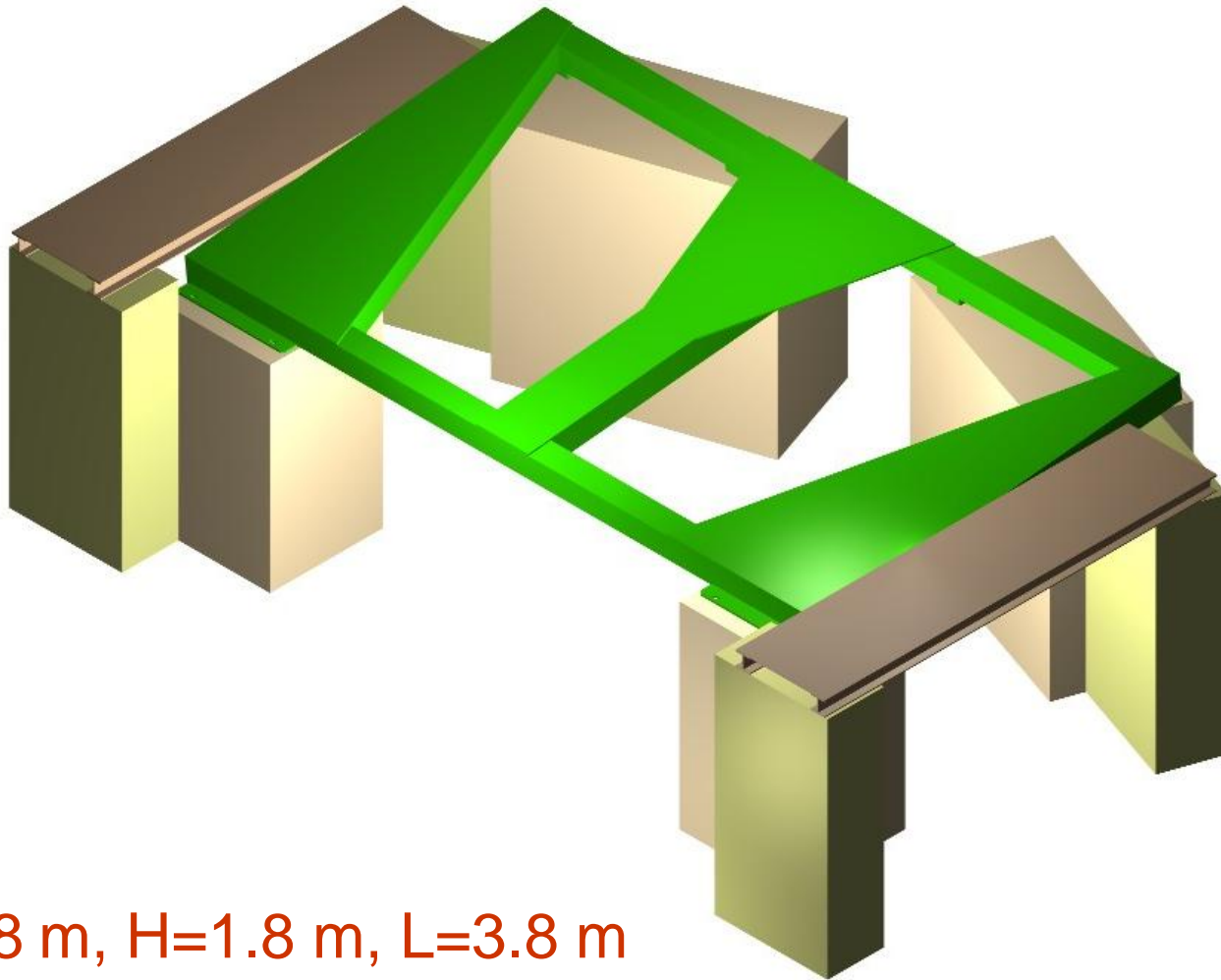
Coplanarity criterion

Horizontal hodoscope (2006)



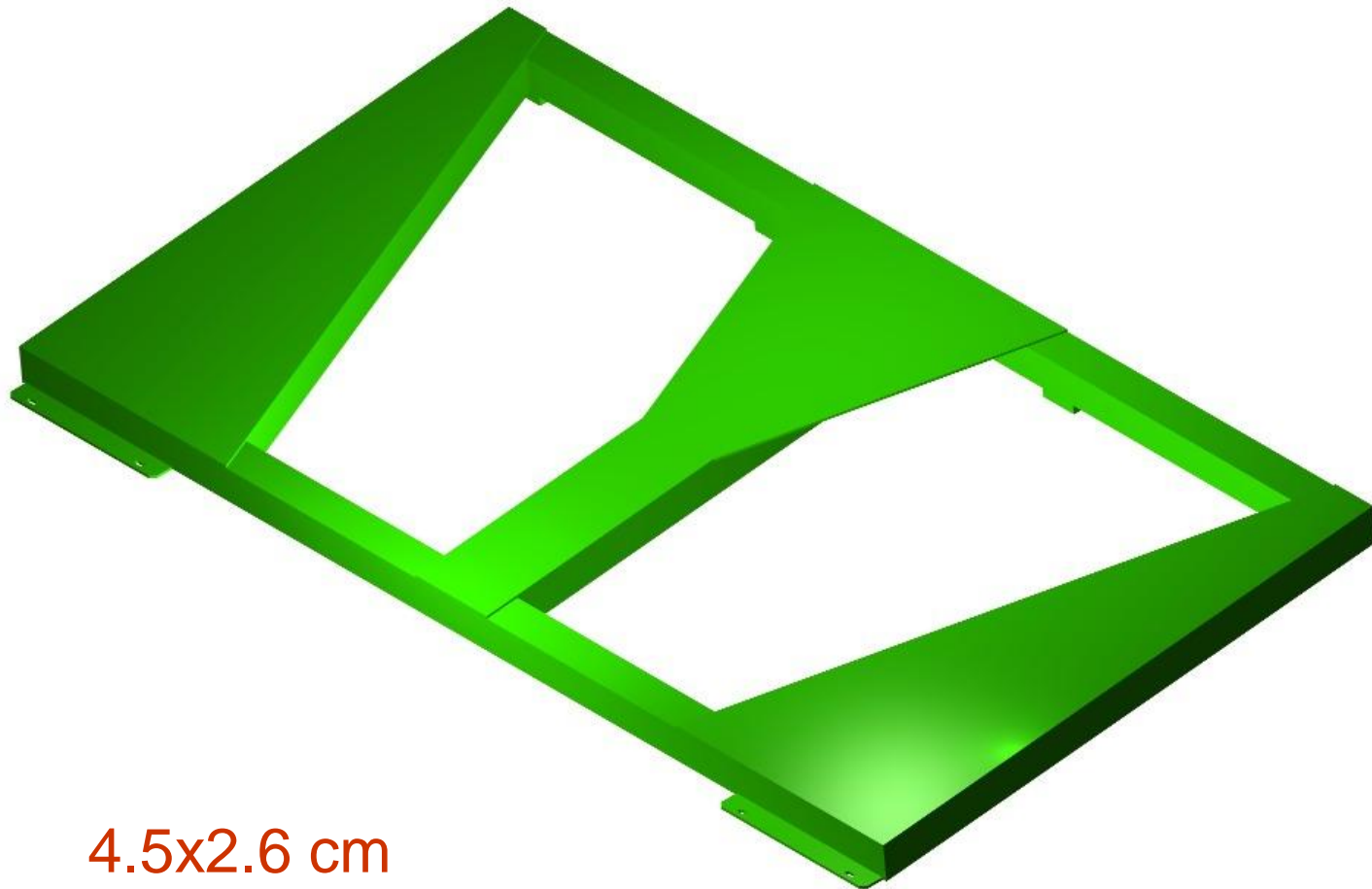
Area 150x40 cm
16 slabs
150x2.5x2.5 cm
Philips XP2008
Time resolution
330 ps (2)
Time resolution
233 ps (1)

Support for DC, VH, HH (1998)



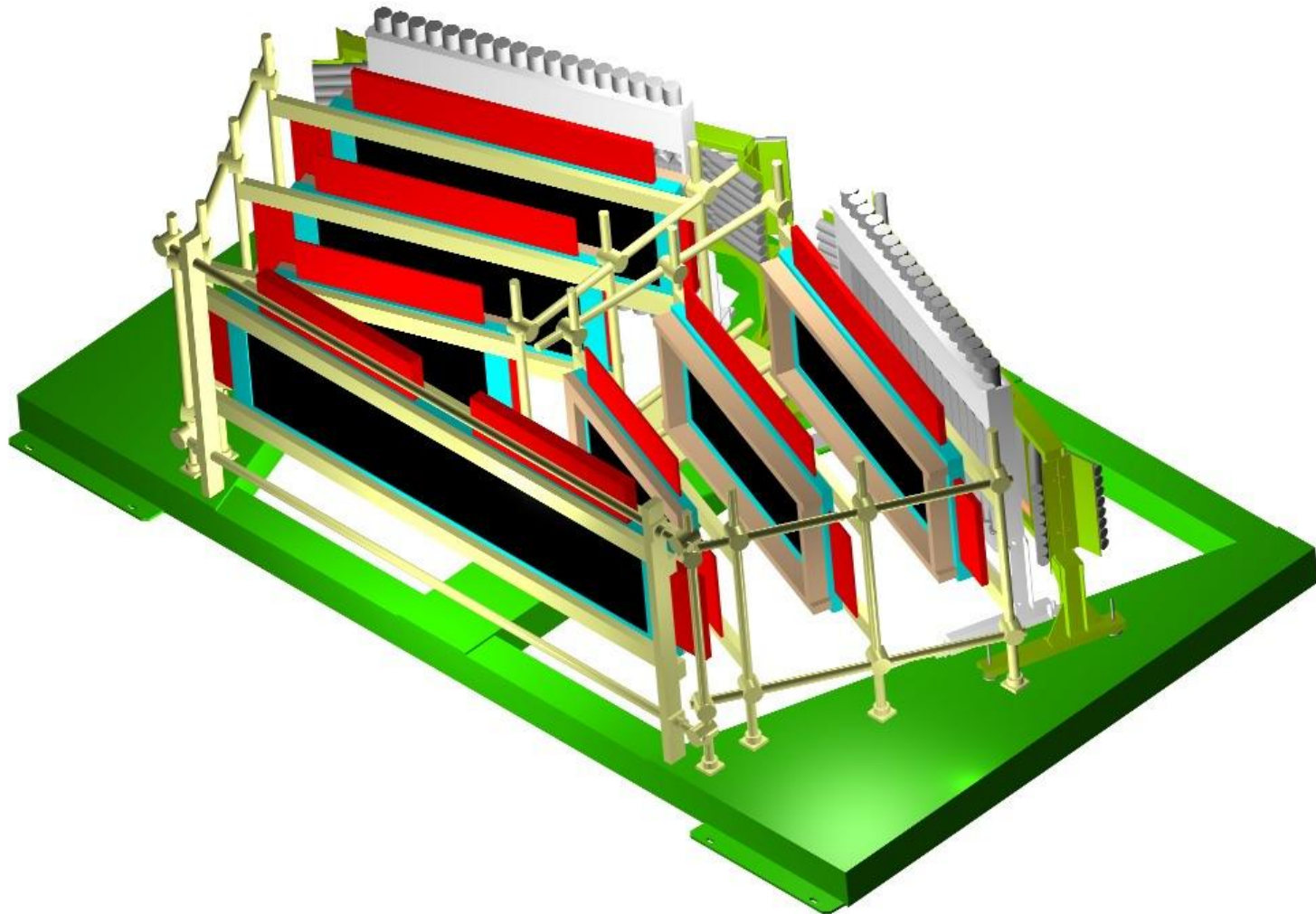
W=5.8 m, H=1.8 m, L=3.8 m

Support for DC, VH, HH (1998)

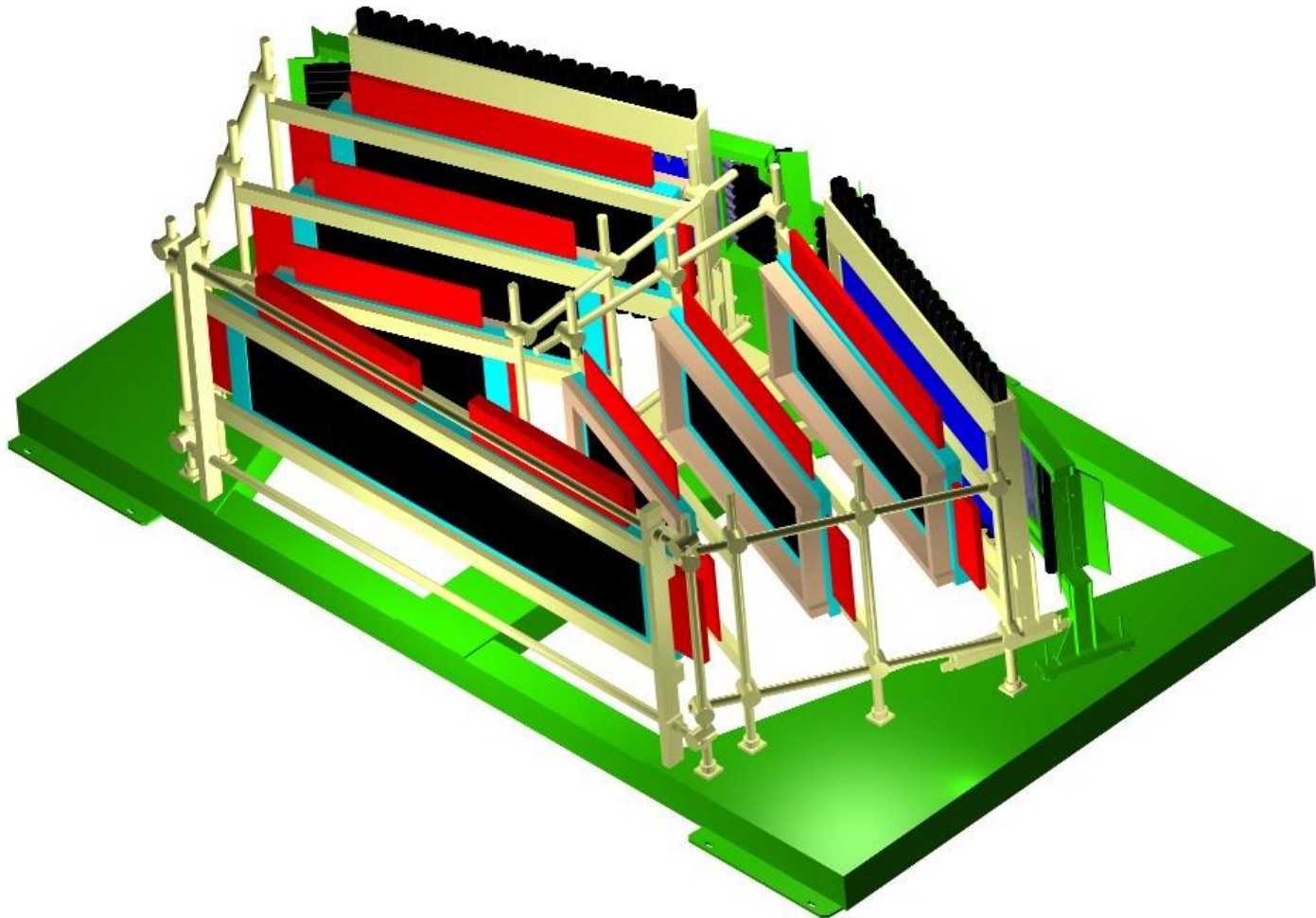


4.5x2.6 cm

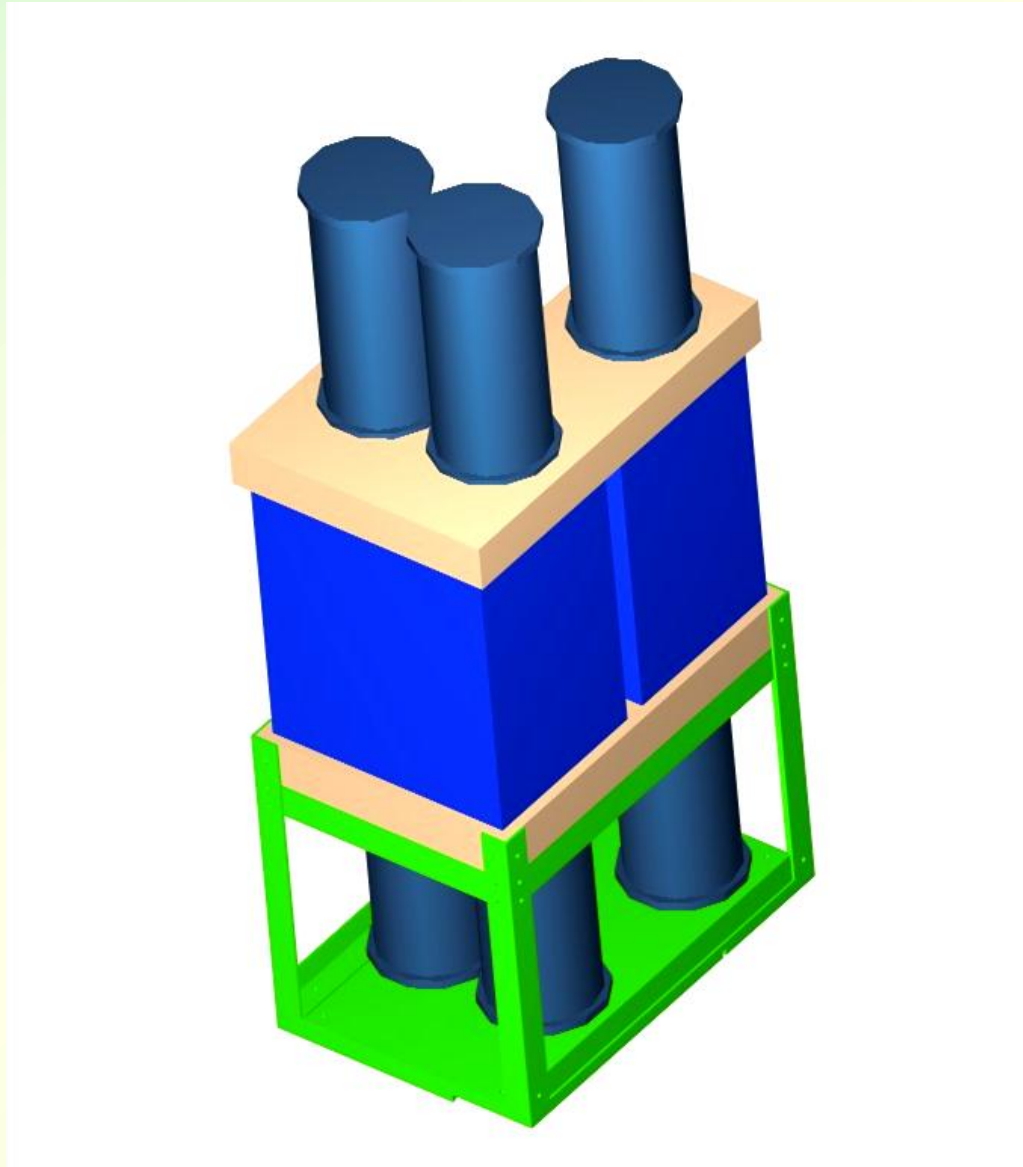
Downstream detectors DC, VH, HH (1998)



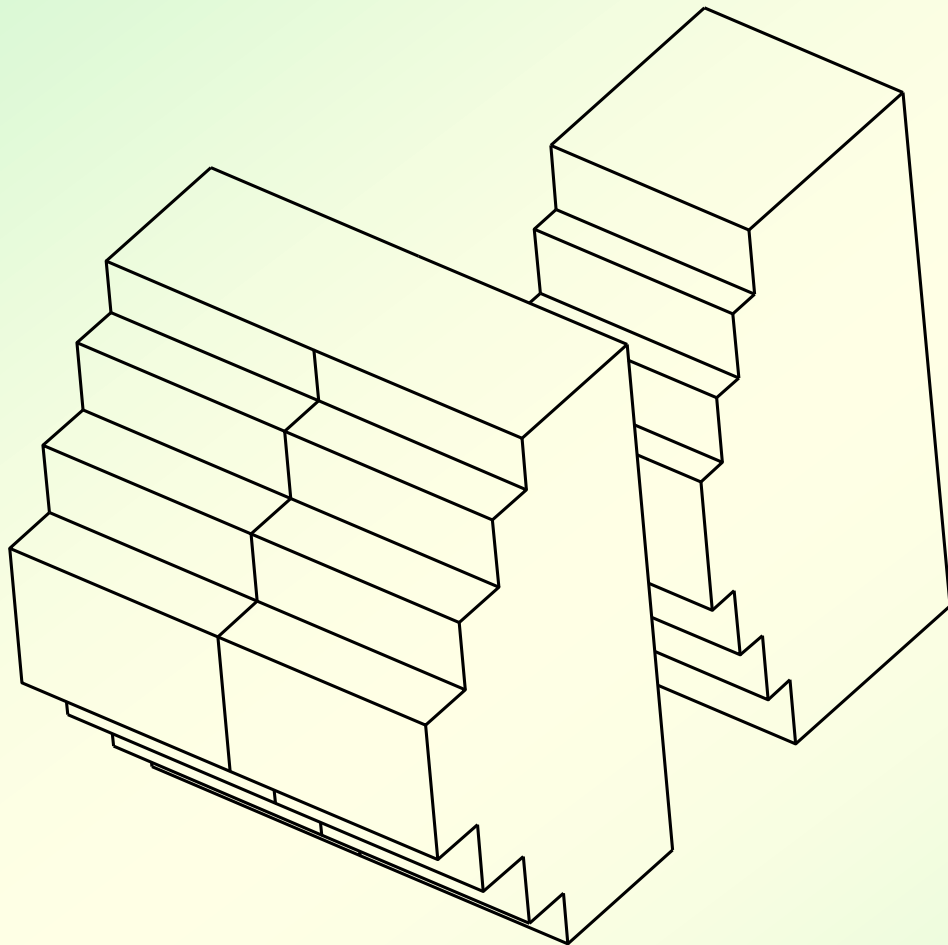
Downstream detectors DC, VH, HH (2006)



Aerogel Cherenkov detector (2006)



Aerogel (2006)



Three modules

Novosibirsk

$n=1.015$: for 4-5.5 GeV/c
33x42 cm, L=11-23 cm

Japan

$n=1.008$: for 5.5-8 GeV/c
16x42 cm, L=16-23 cm

Pyramidal shape

Wavelength shifter

p-terphenyl on

tetratex reflector foils

50% increase in light

PMTs Photonis XP4570/B

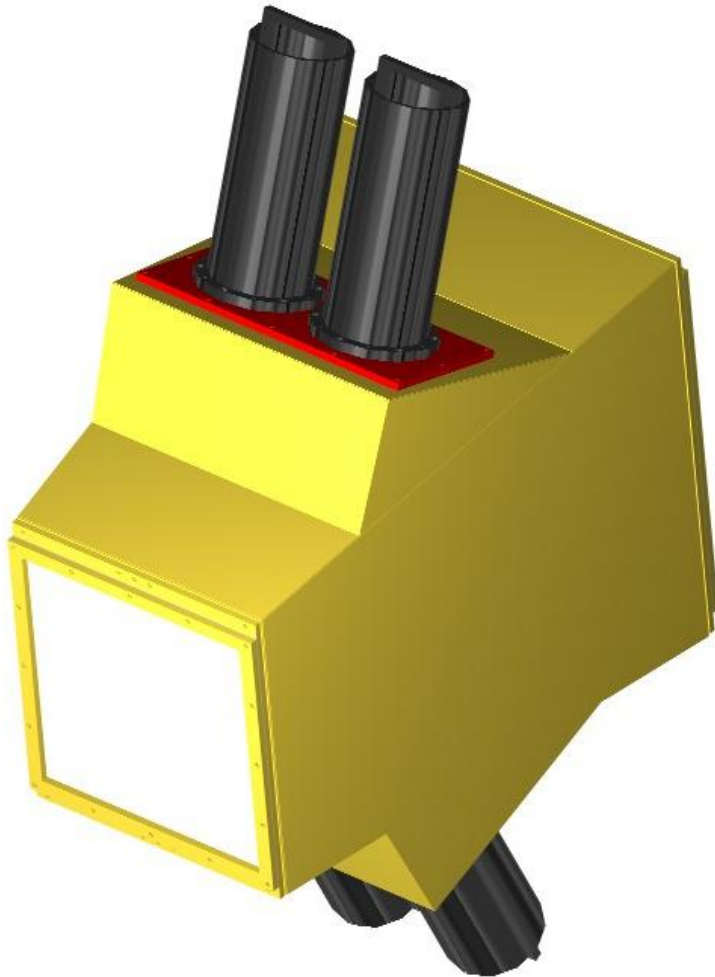
5-inch. UV-glass

N_{phe} : 6.9 and 3.9 for

heavy and light modules

Efficiency for K^+ : 85-95%

C4F10 Cherenkov detector (2006)



C4F10, perfluorocarbon

Transparency up to 190 nm

$n=1.00135$

Max. Cherenkov angle 3.03 deg

For pion detection 4-8 GeV/c

Threshold for pions 2.7 GeV/c

Window 42x44 cm

Radiator thickness 85 cm

Volume 0.4 m³ per detector

4 spherical mirrors 293x286 mm

$R=1194$ mm

4 flat mirrors 185x185 mm

4 PMs: HAMAMATSU 6528

5 inch with UV-glass

$N_{phe}=30$ for electrons

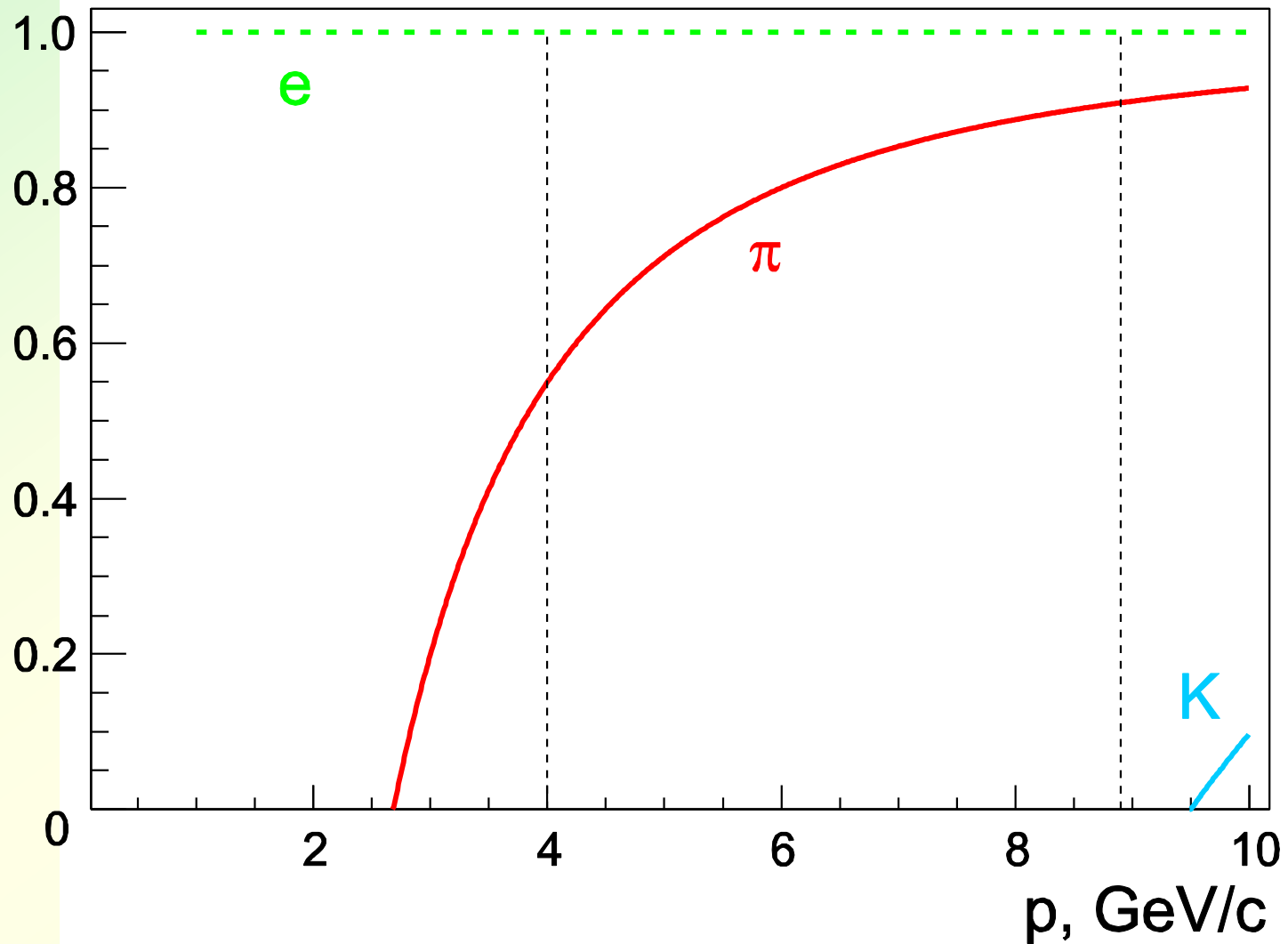
Quality factor $N_0=125$ cm⁻¹

Efficiency for pions with

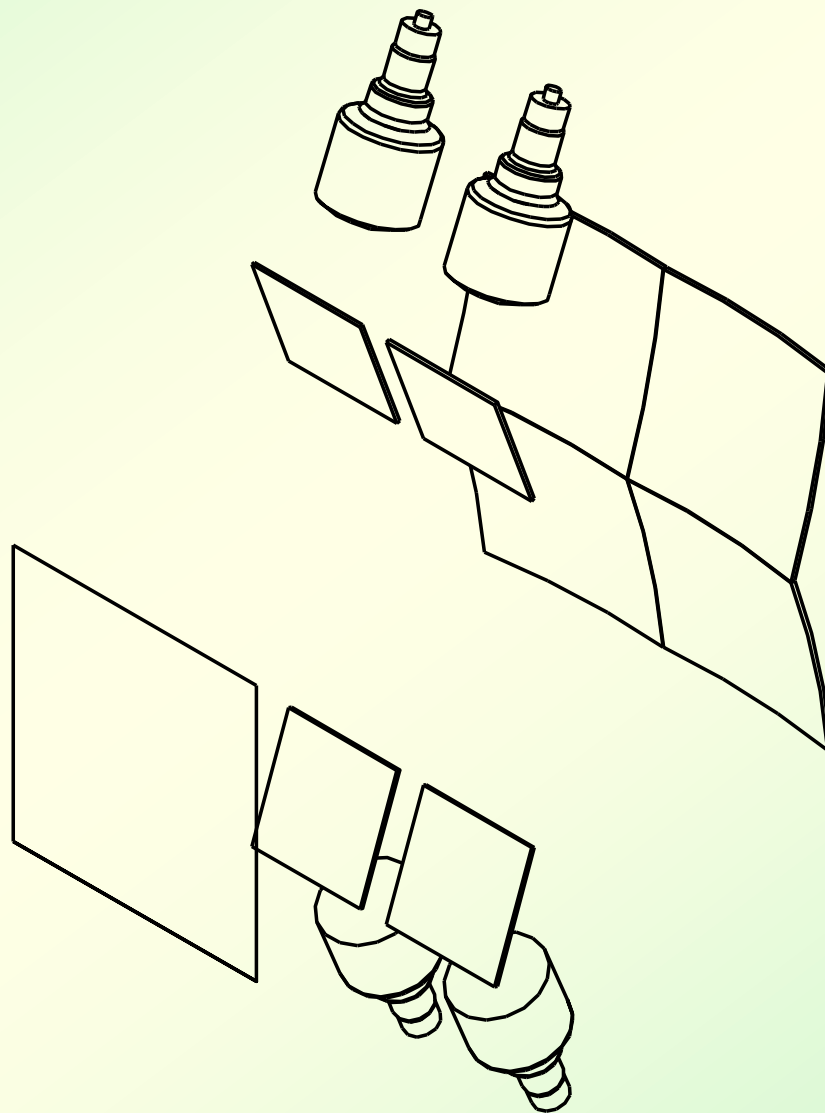
$p > 4$ GeV/c >99.5%

C4F10, light vs pion momentum

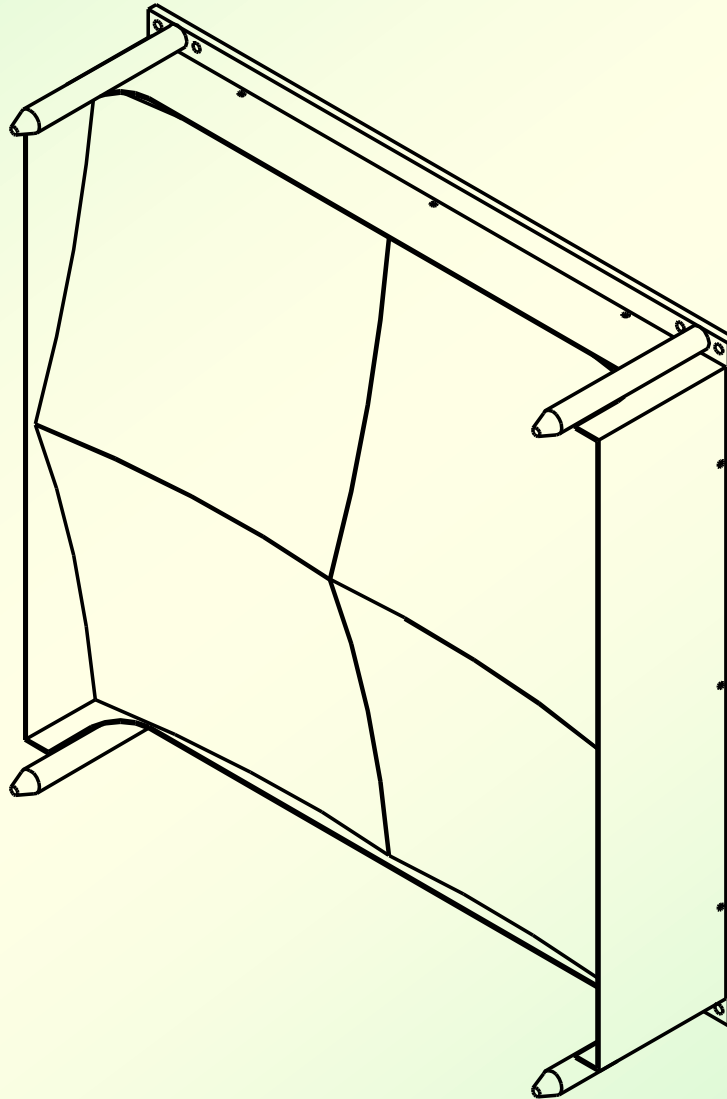
Относительный выход Чер. света в C₄F₁₀



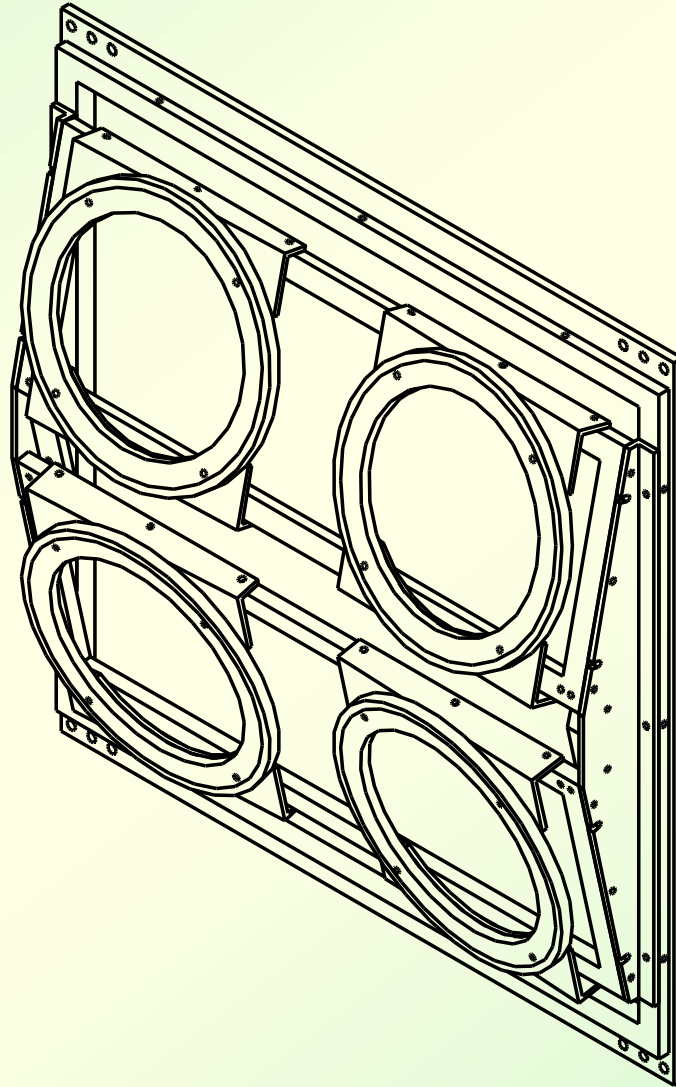
C4F10, spherical, flat mirrors, PMs



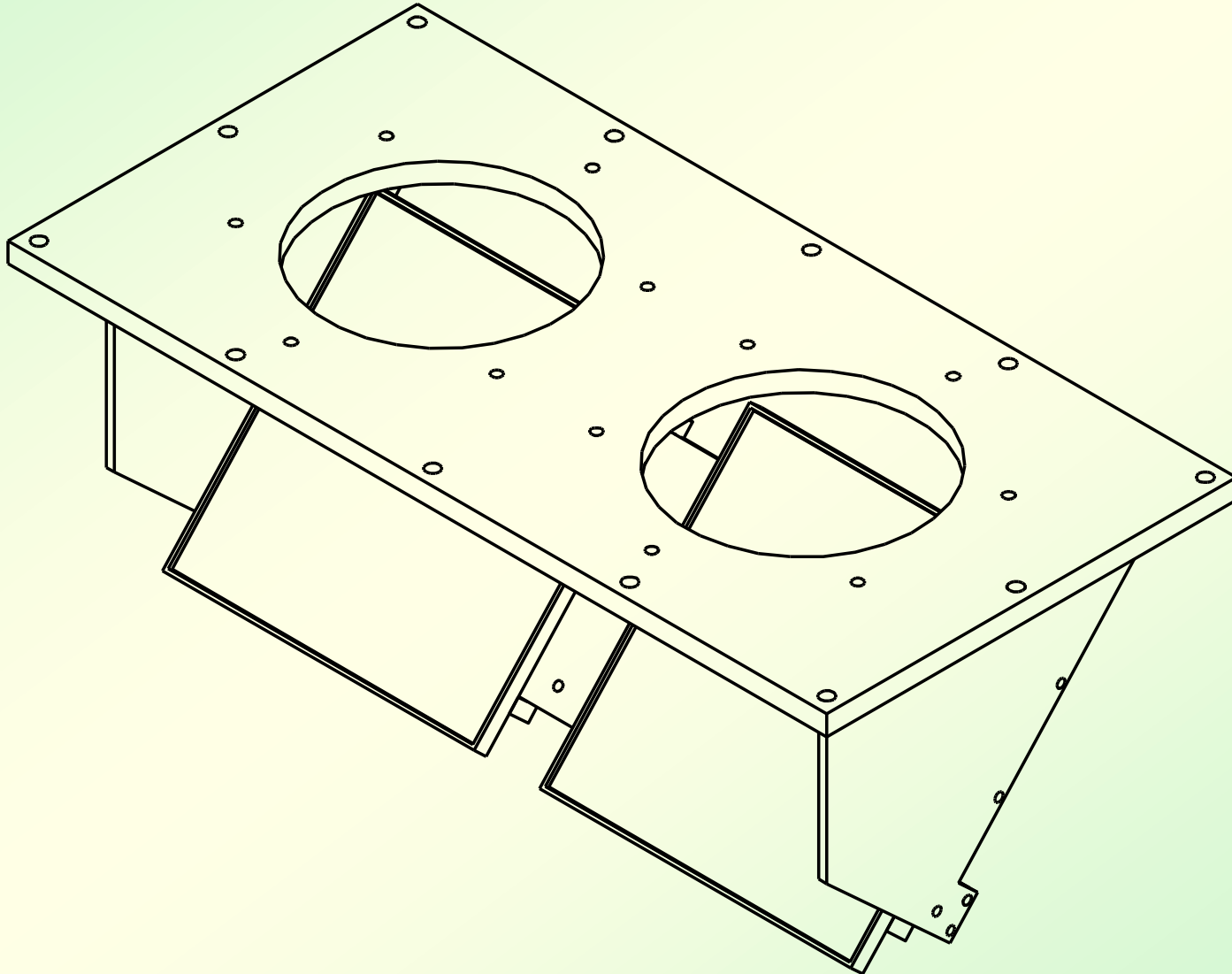
C4F10, spherical mirrors and support



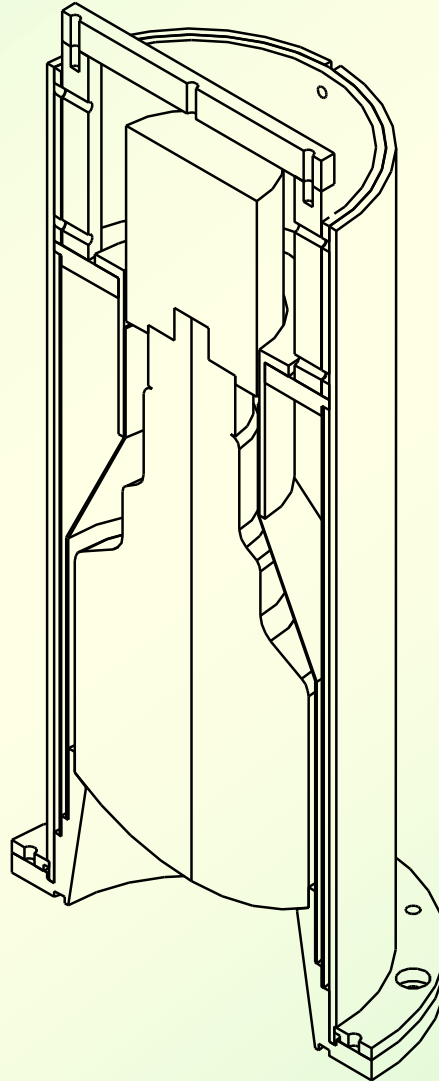
C4F10, support for spherical mirrors



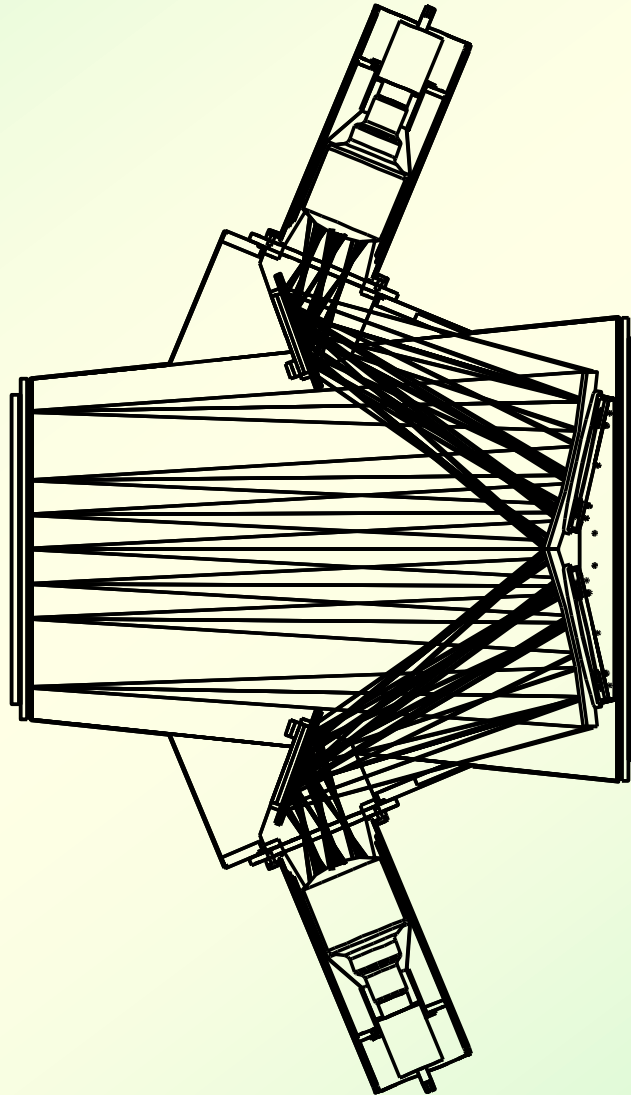
C4F10, flat mirrors and support



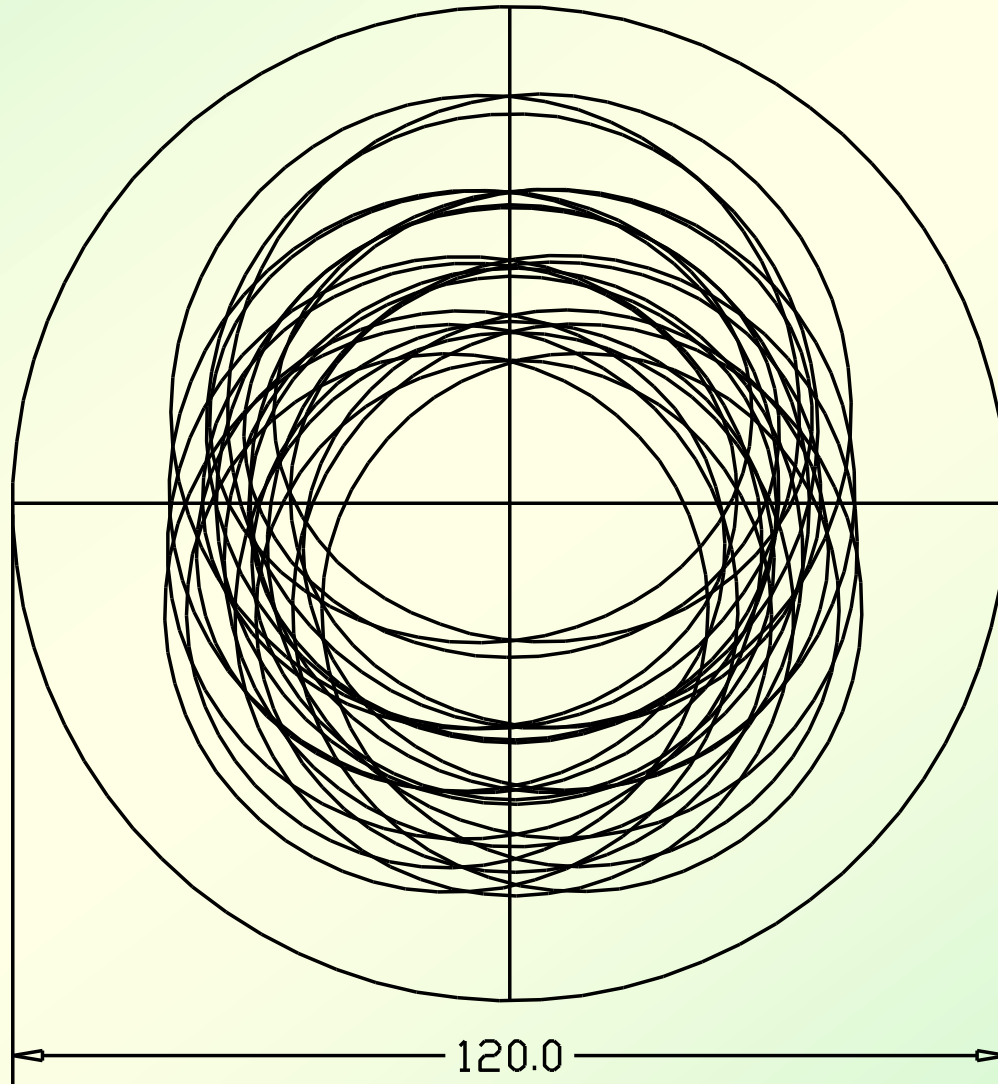
C4F10, PM and housing



C4F10, Cherenkov light



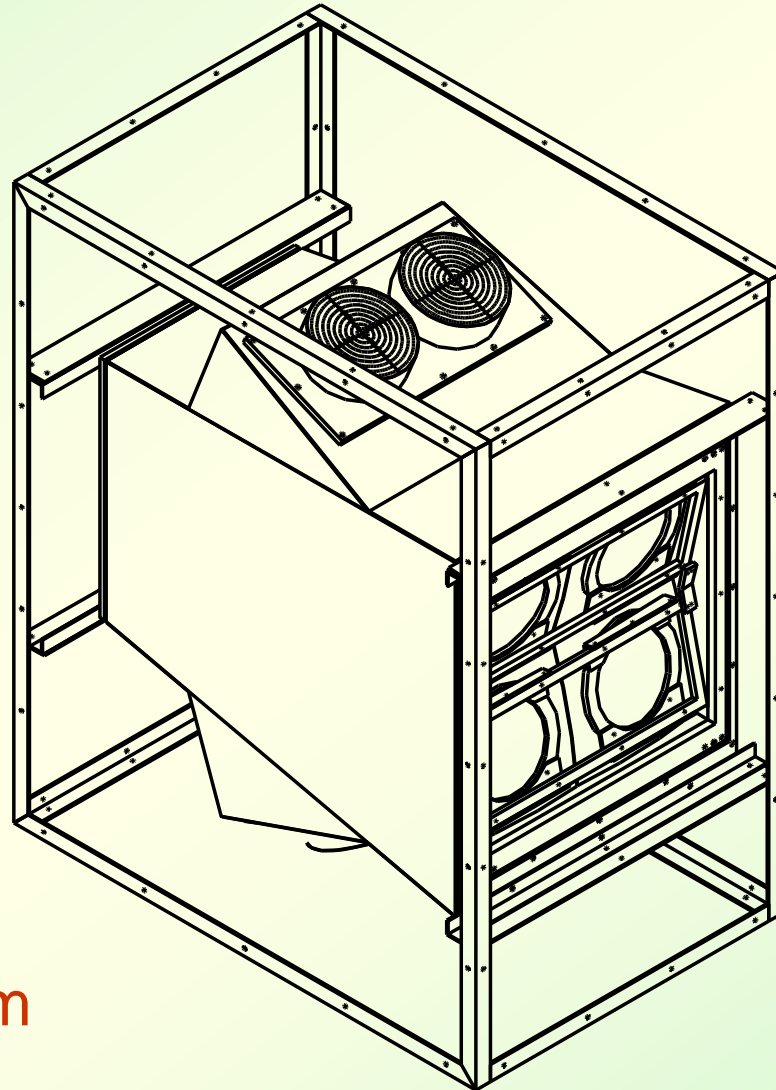
C4F10, Cherenkov rings



C4f10, Cherenkov ring

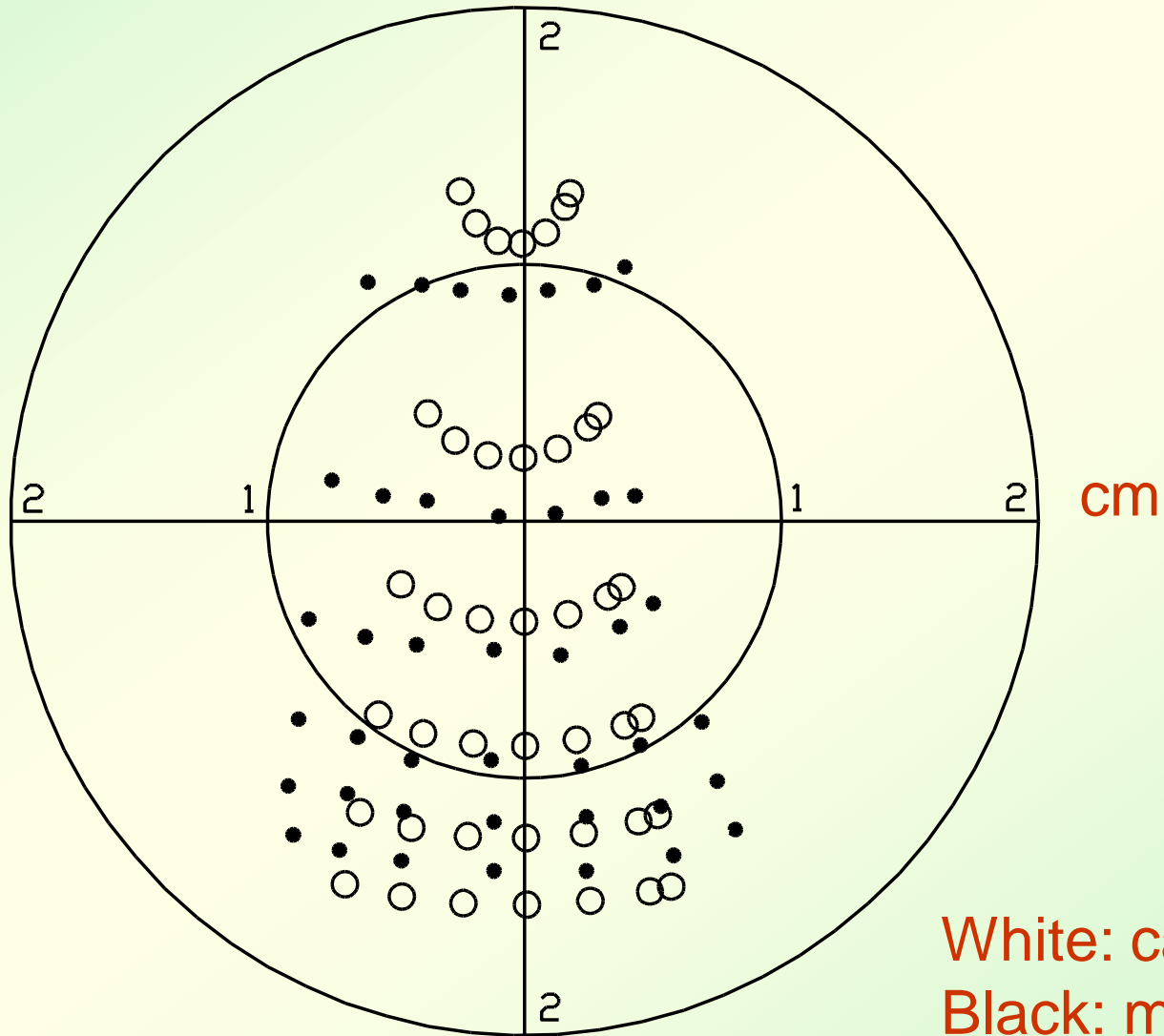


C4F10, laser test

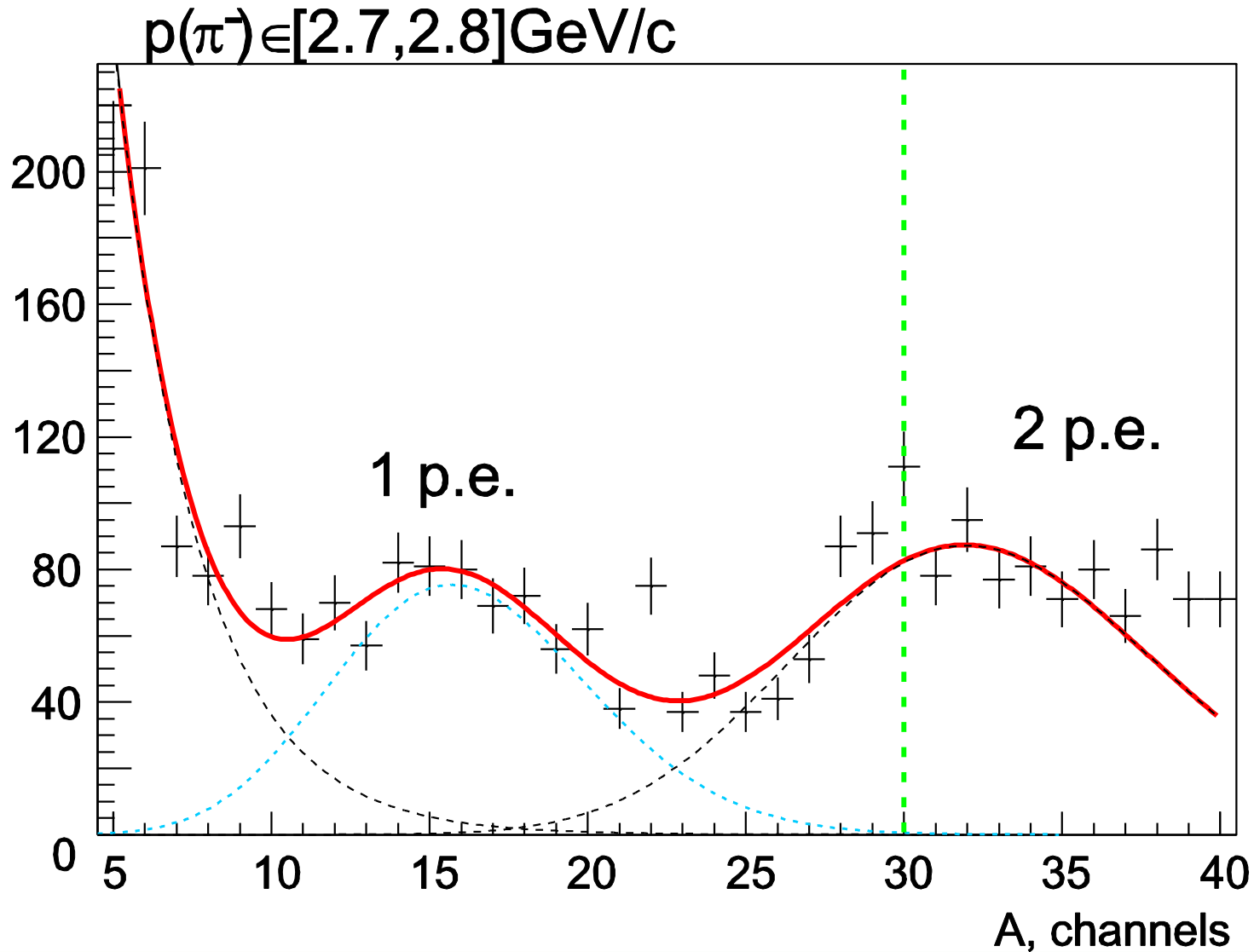


Base 4.4 m

C4F10, laser test

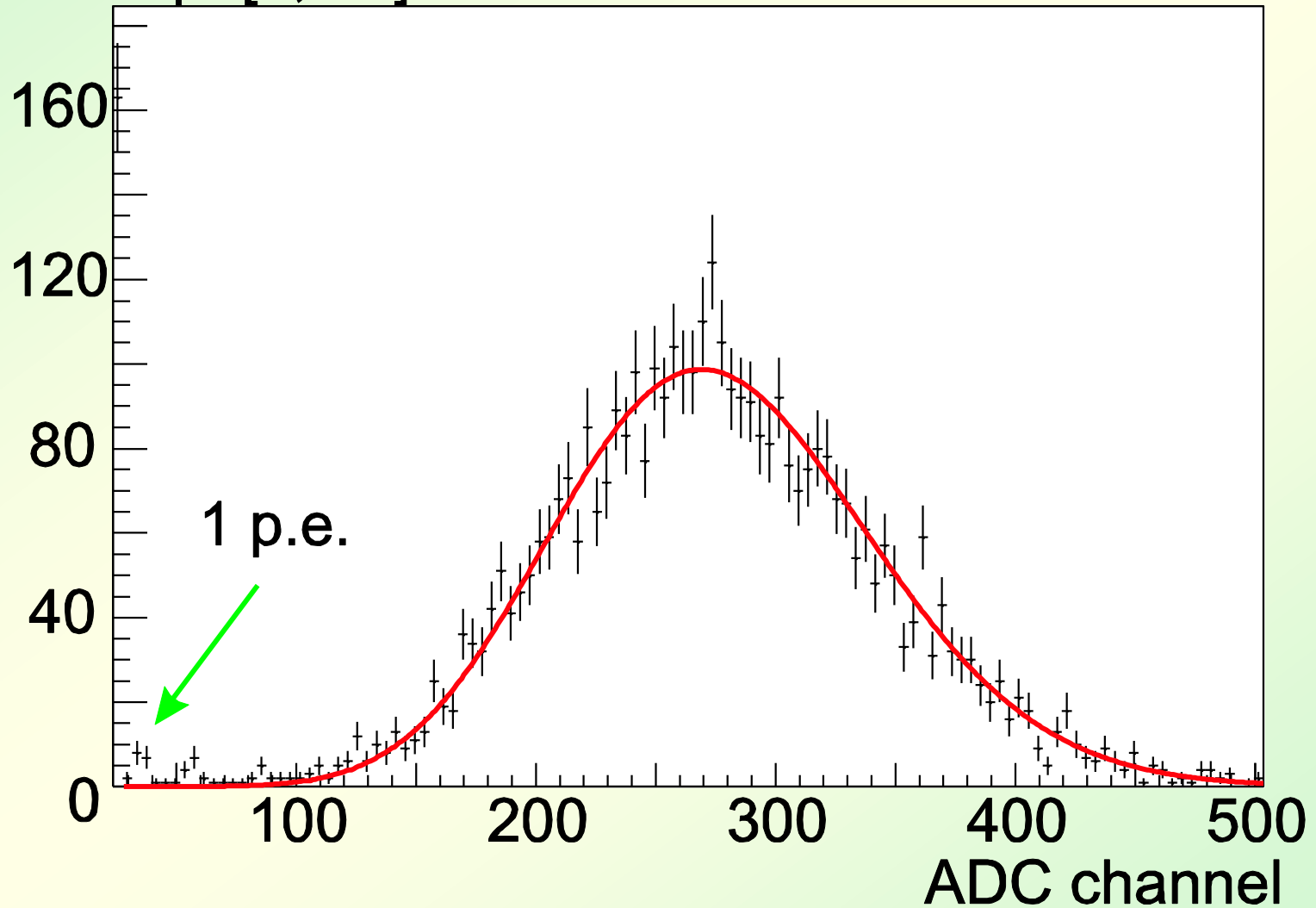


C4F10, single and double photoelectrons



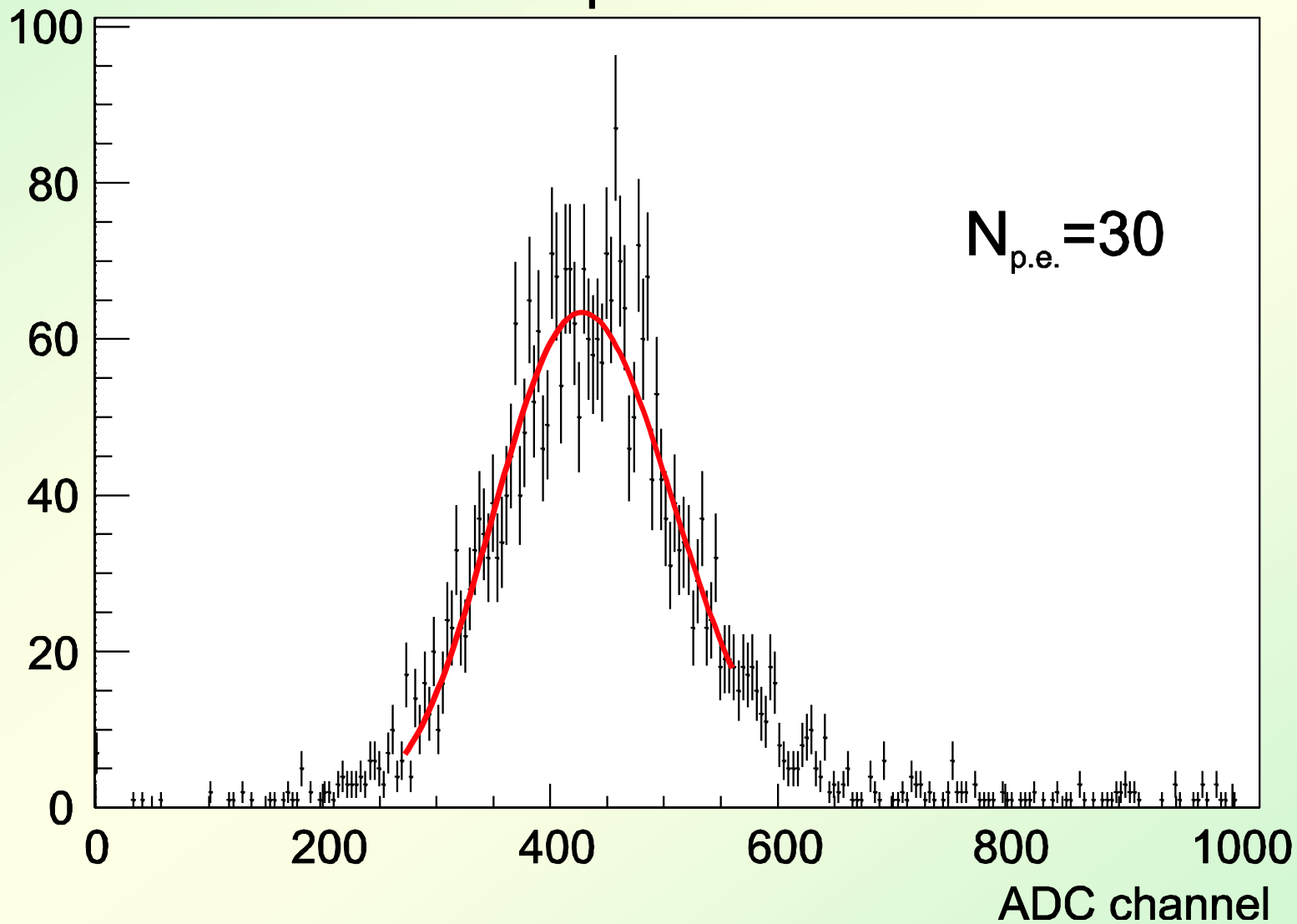
C4F10, pions

$p=[4,4.1]\text{GeV}/c$

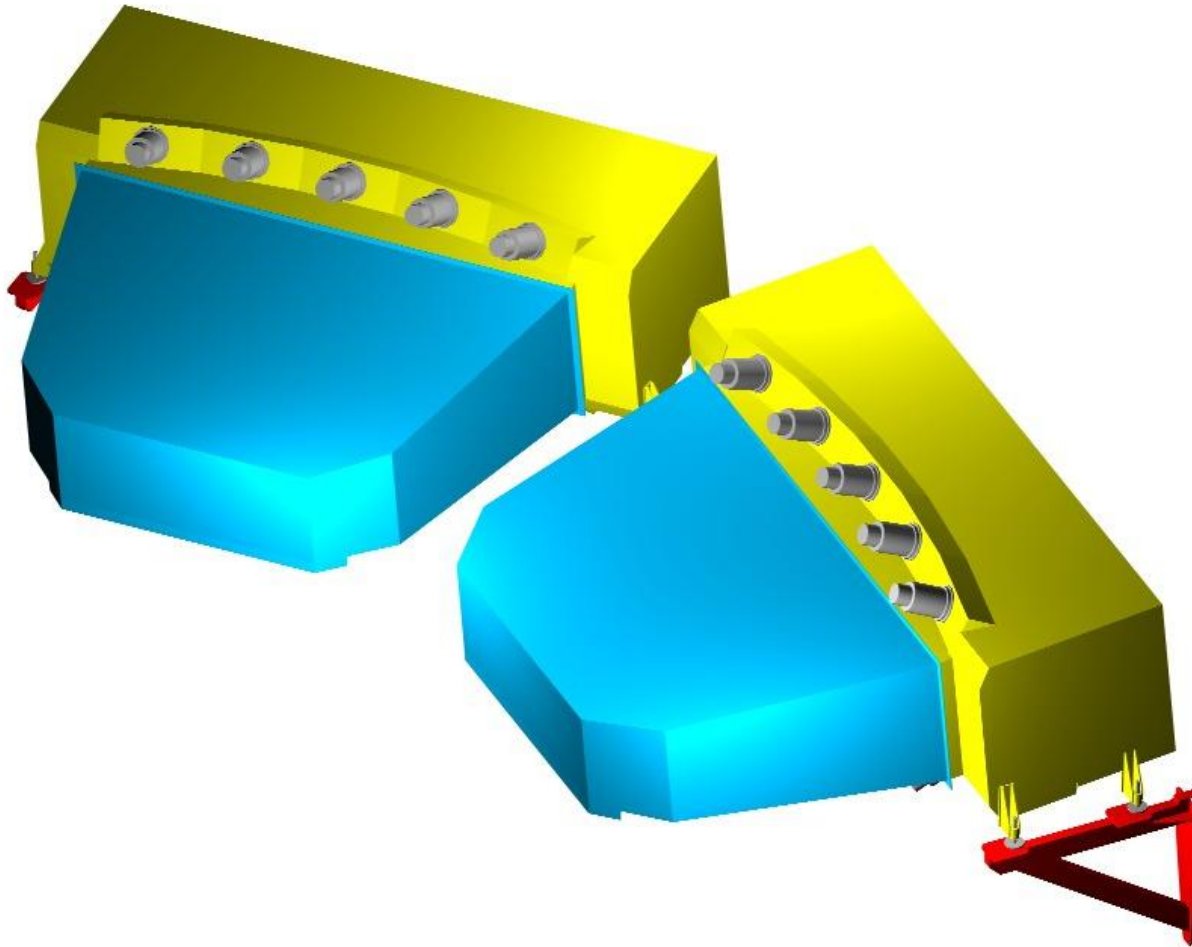


C4F10, electrons

Отклик на электроны

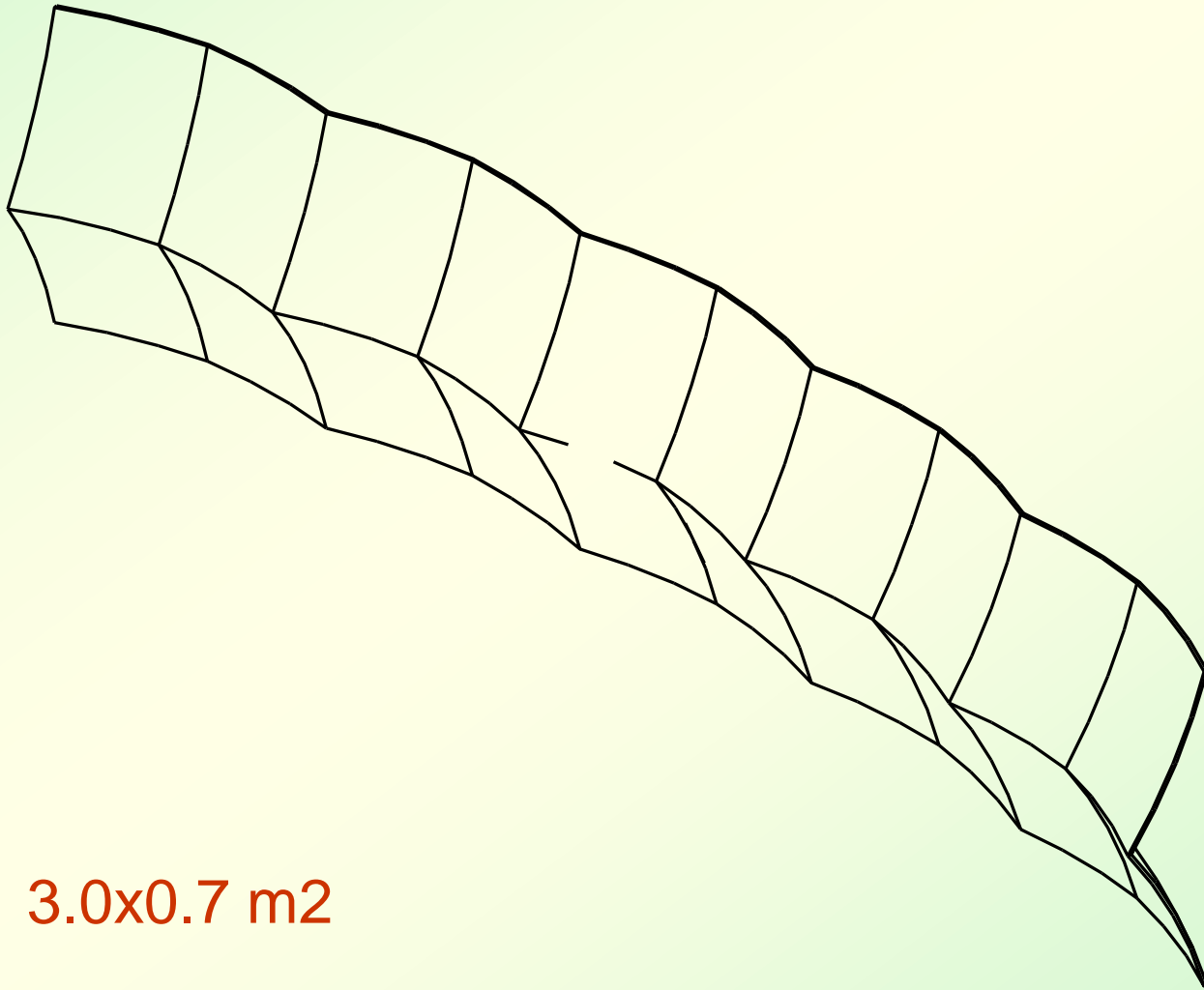


Nitrogen Cherenkov detectors (1998)



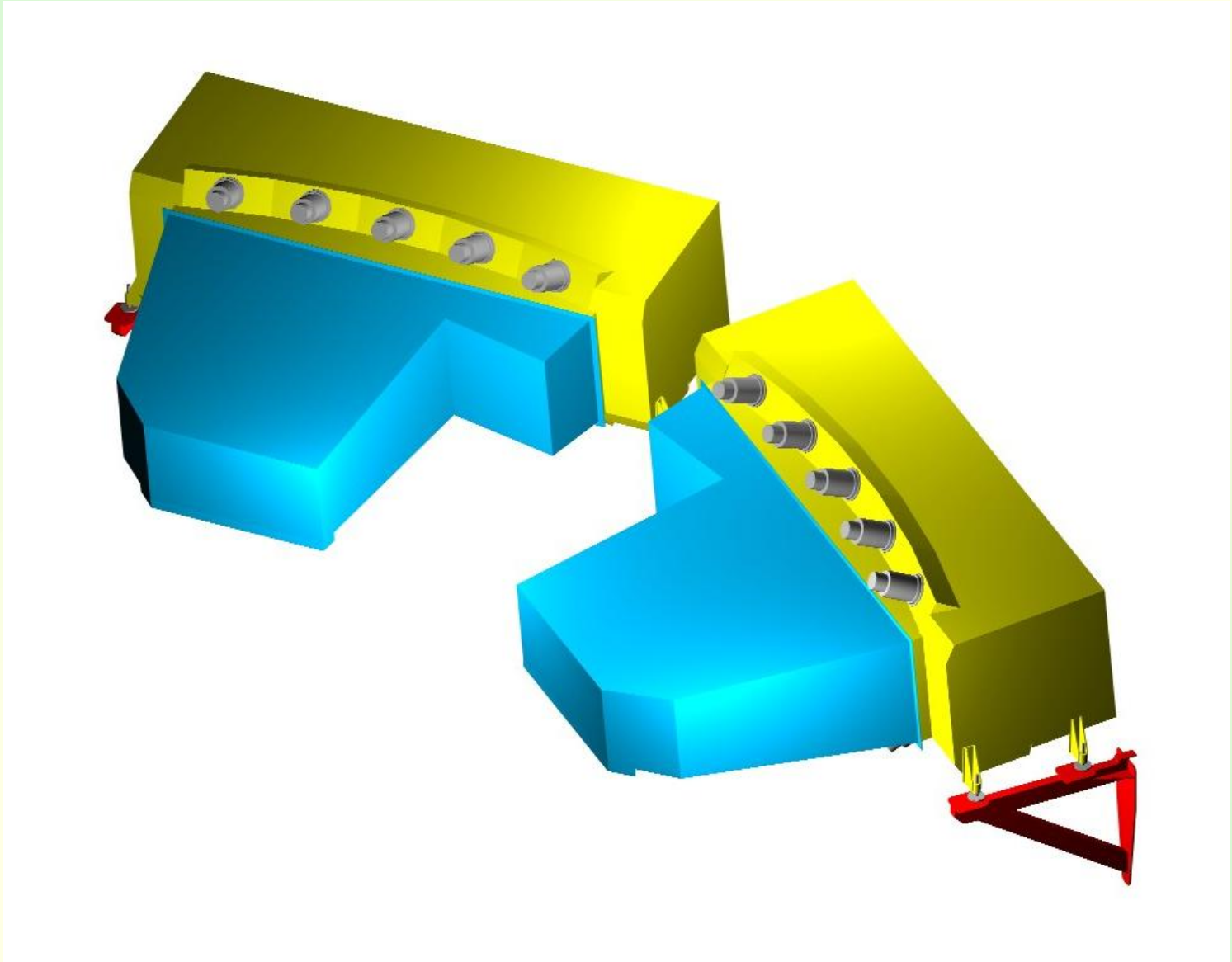
Nitrogen $n=1.00029$
 $\theta=1.39$ deg
Windows
143x56 cm, 336x96 cm
 $L=310$ cm
Radiator length 285 cm
20 spherical mirrors
30x35 cm, 6 mm thick
 $R=1194$ mm
10 PMs
Hamamatsu R1587
130 mm UV-glass
 $N_{phe}=16$
Efficiency >99.8 %
Pions <1.5 %.

Mirrors of Nitrogen Cherenkov detector

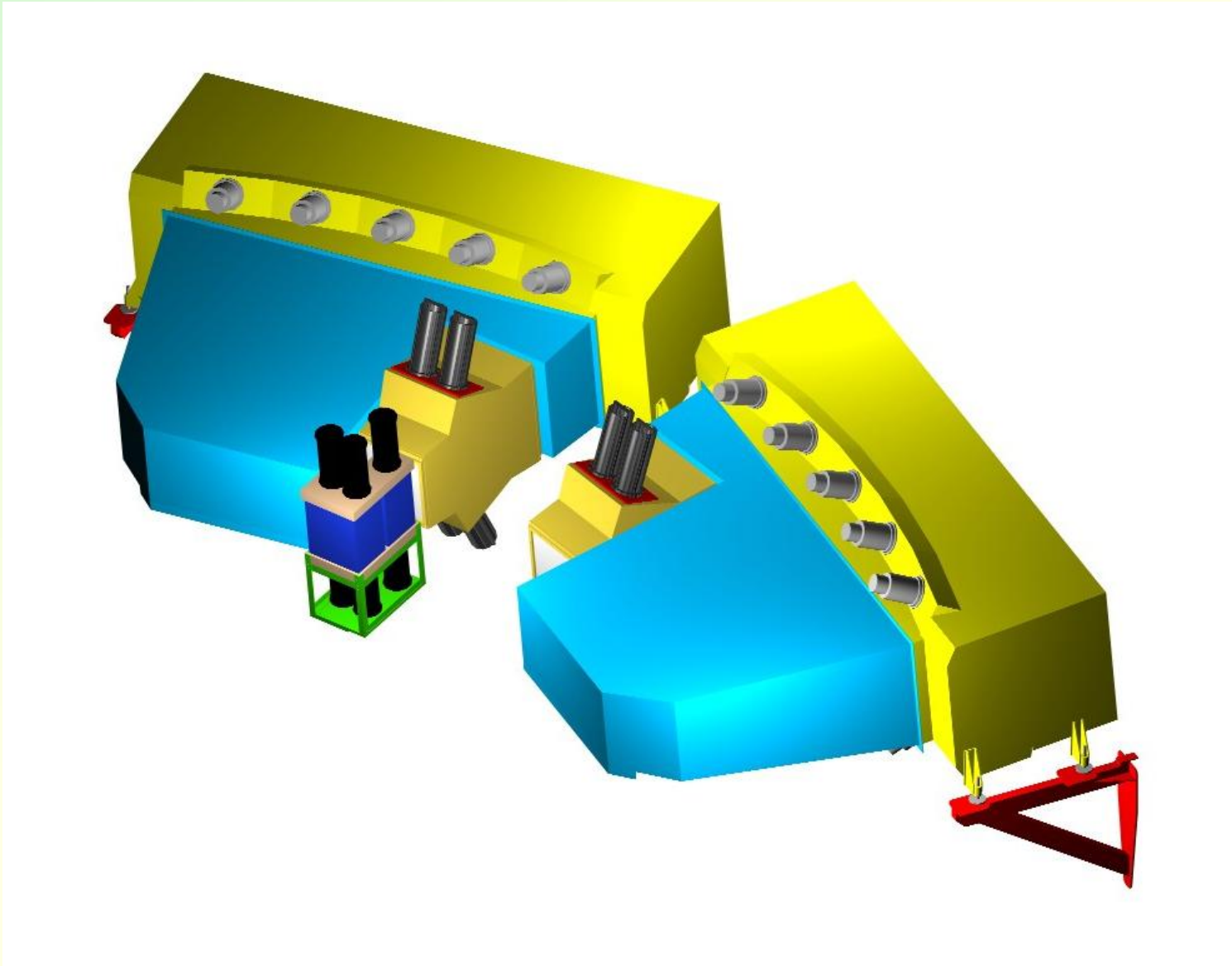


3.0x0.7 m²

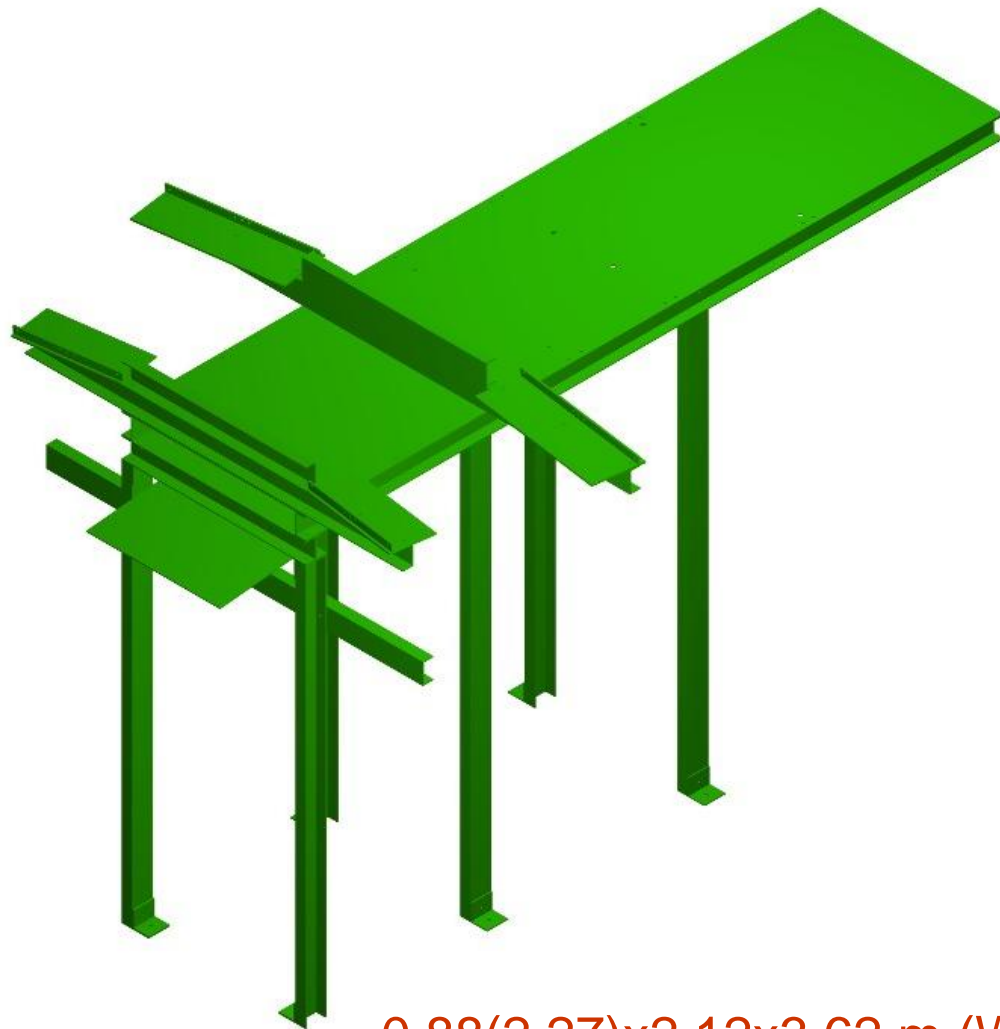
Nitrogen Cherenkov detectors (2006)



All Cherenkov detectors (2006)

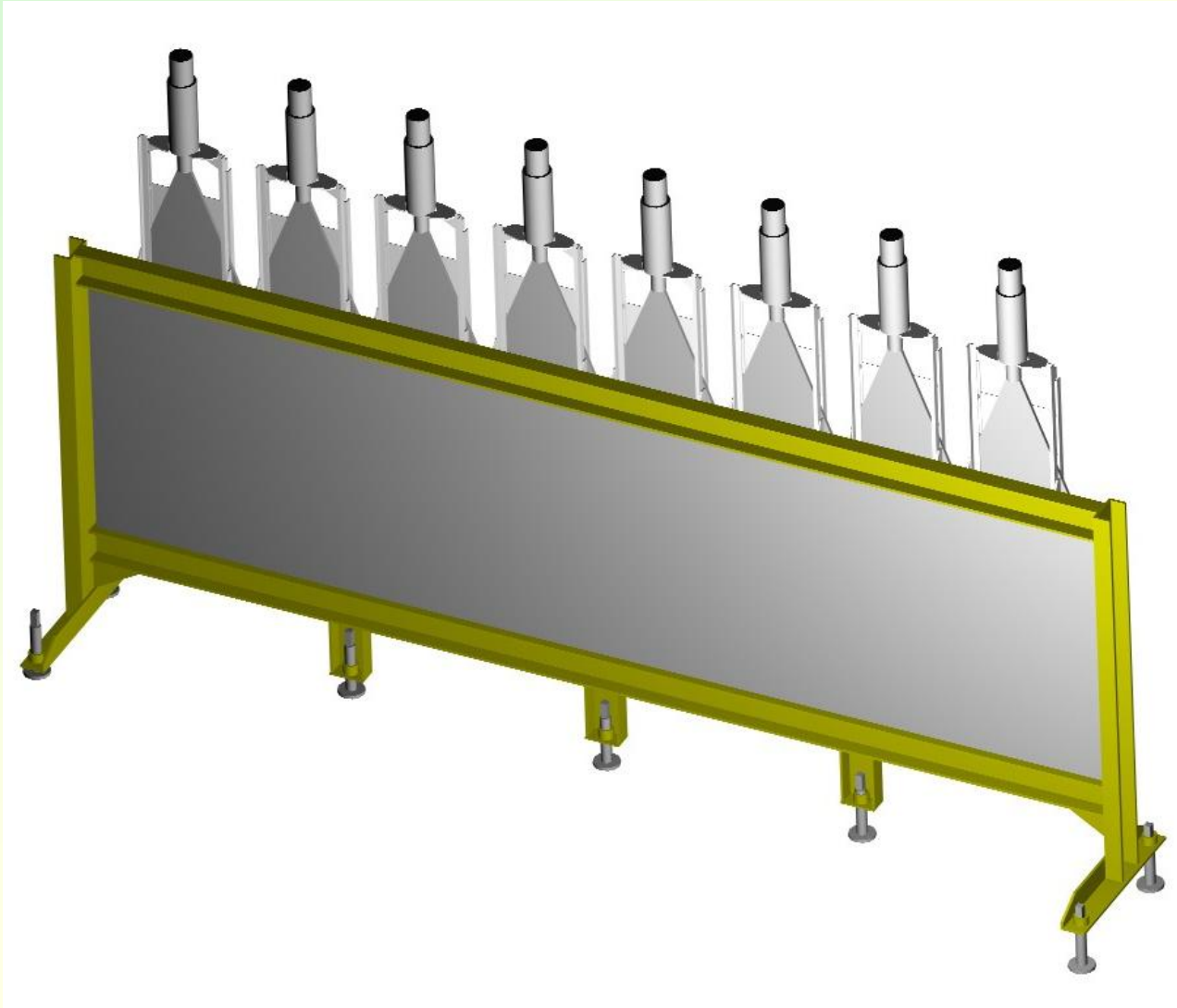


Bridge-support for C4F10 detectors



0.88(2.27)x2.12x3.62 m (WxHxL)

Preshower detector (1998)



Area

280x75 cm

8 counters

Slabs: 35x75x1 cm

BICRON BC-408

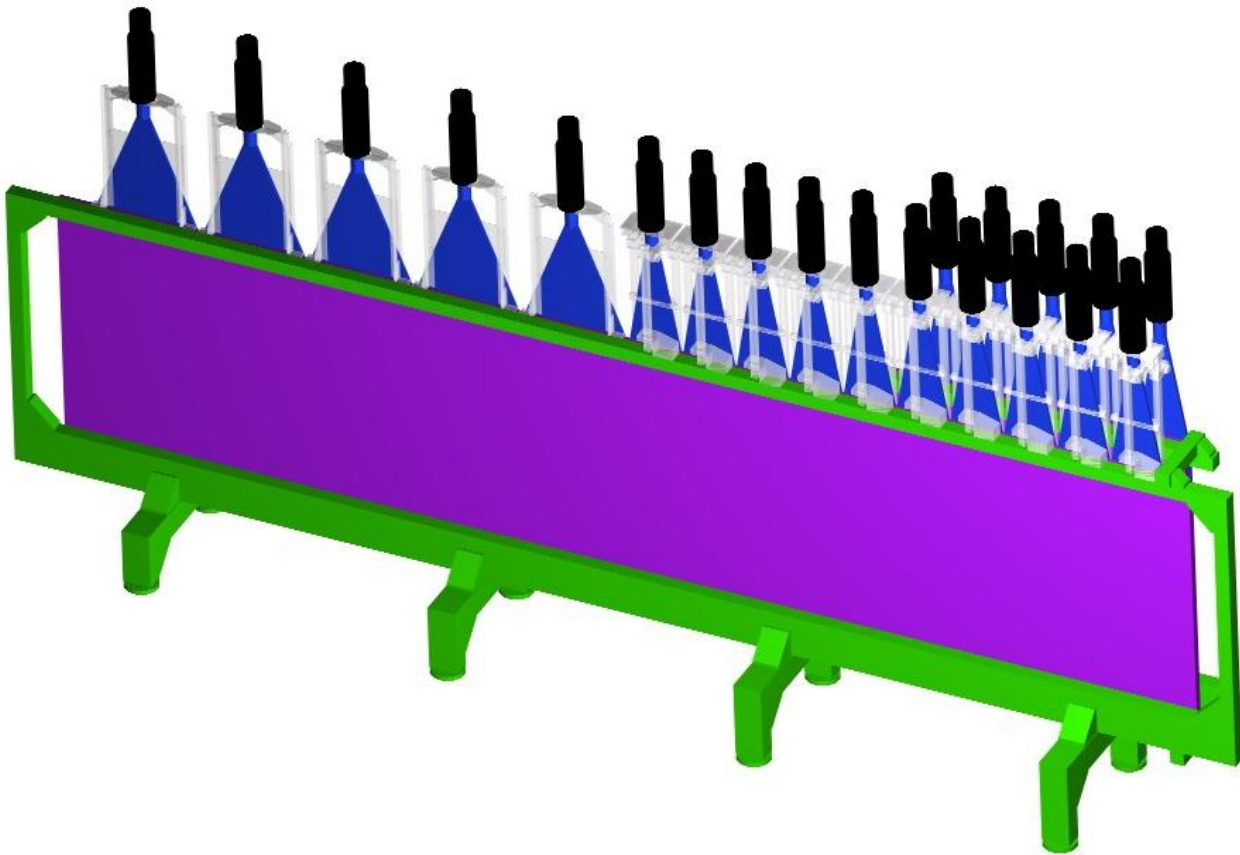
PMs EMI 9954-B

Pb 25 mm, 10 mm

Eff. for pions 99.5%

Loss. of pions <5%.

Preshower detector (2006)



Area:

350x75 cm

First layer:

Area 1:

175x75 cm

5 counters

35x75x1 cm

Area 2:

175x75 cm

10 counters

17.5x75x1 cm

Second layer:

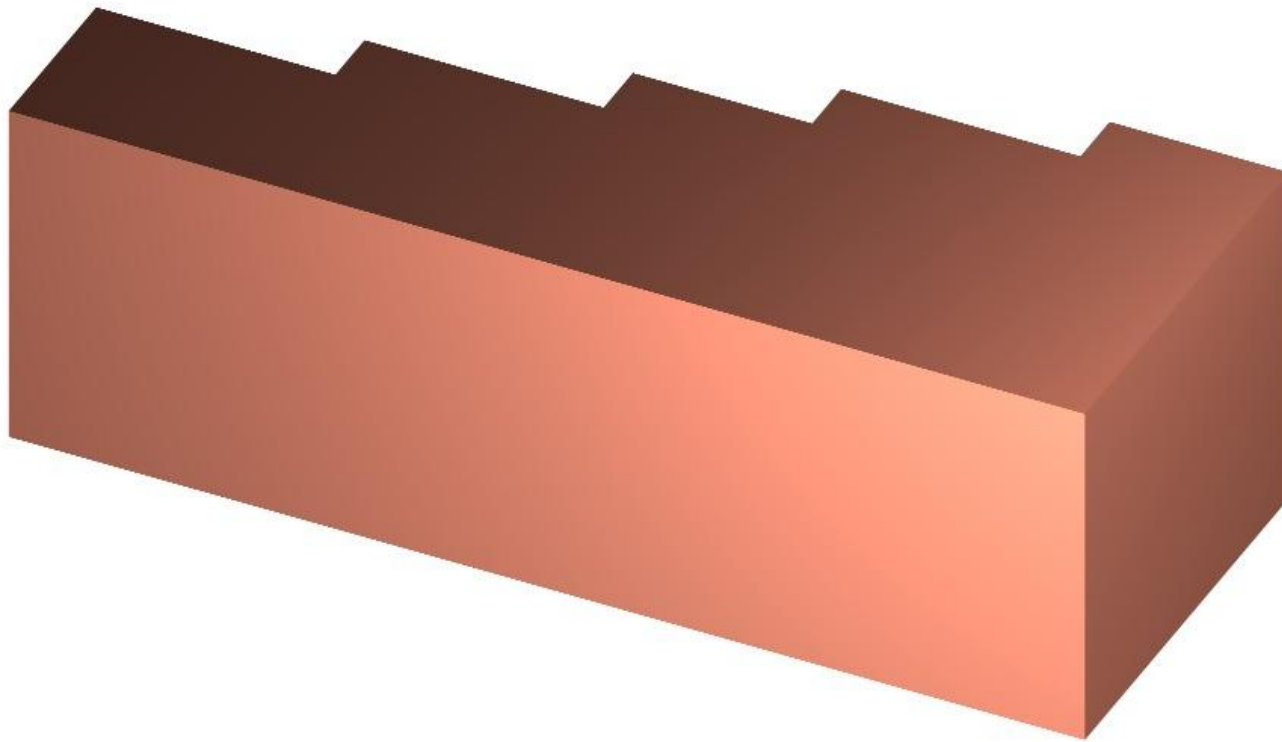
Area:

87.5x75 cm

5 counters

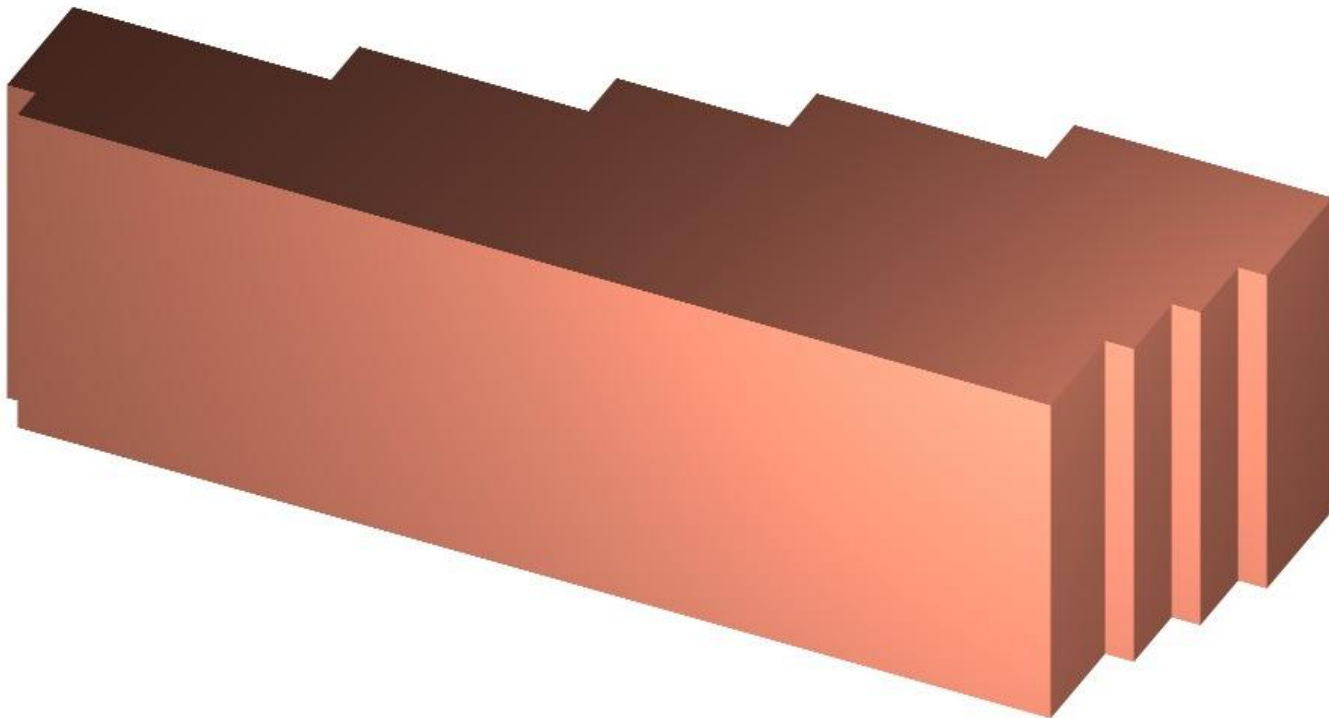
17.5x75x1 cm

Absorber (1998)



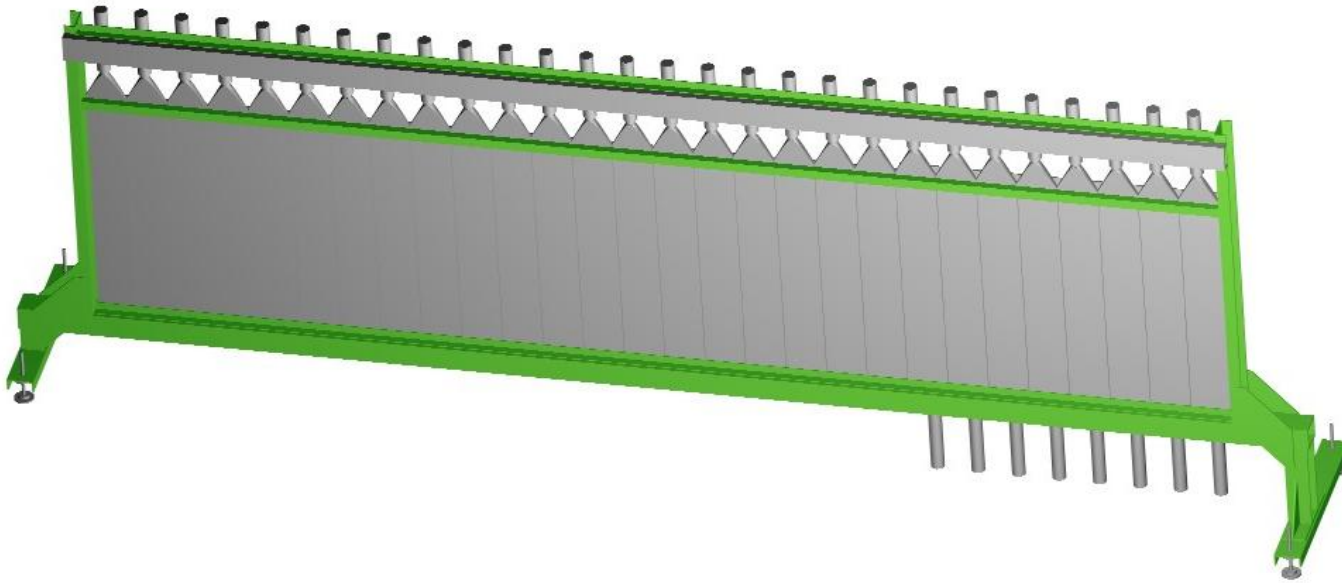
3.6x1.2x1.4(0.6) m³ (WxHxL), 30.8 ton

Absorber (2006)



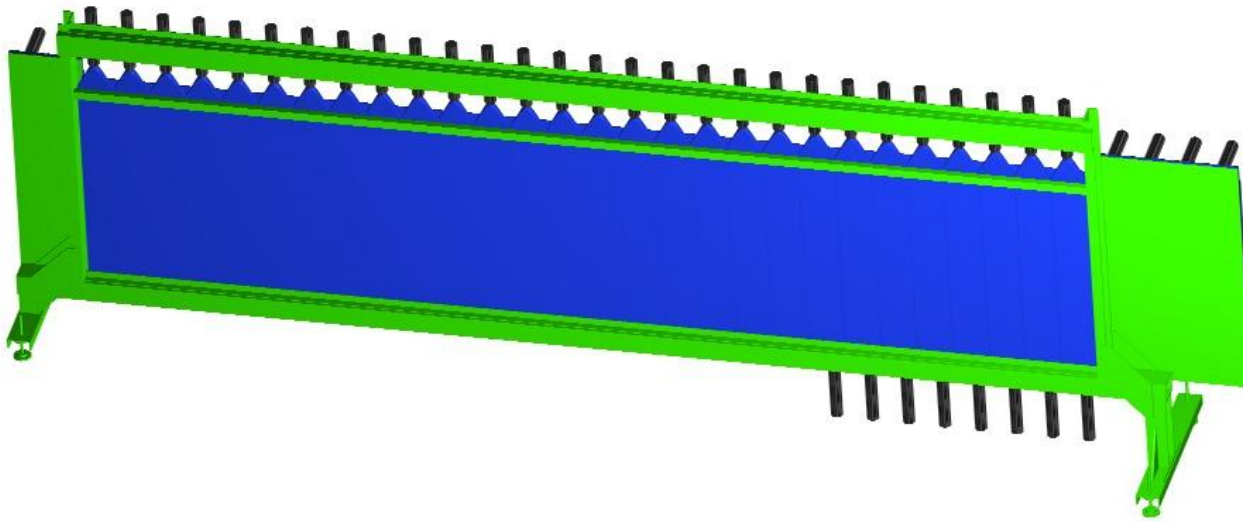
3.6x1.2x1.4(0.6) m³ (WxHxL) with additions, 33.3 ton

Muon scintillation detector (1998)



340x75 cm
Slab 12x75 cm
Scint. 5 mm
2 layers
28x2 counters
PMs FEU-85
Resol. 1.3 ns
Muons: 10%

Muon scintillation detector (2007)



410x75 cm

New counters:

Int. 8 in two layers

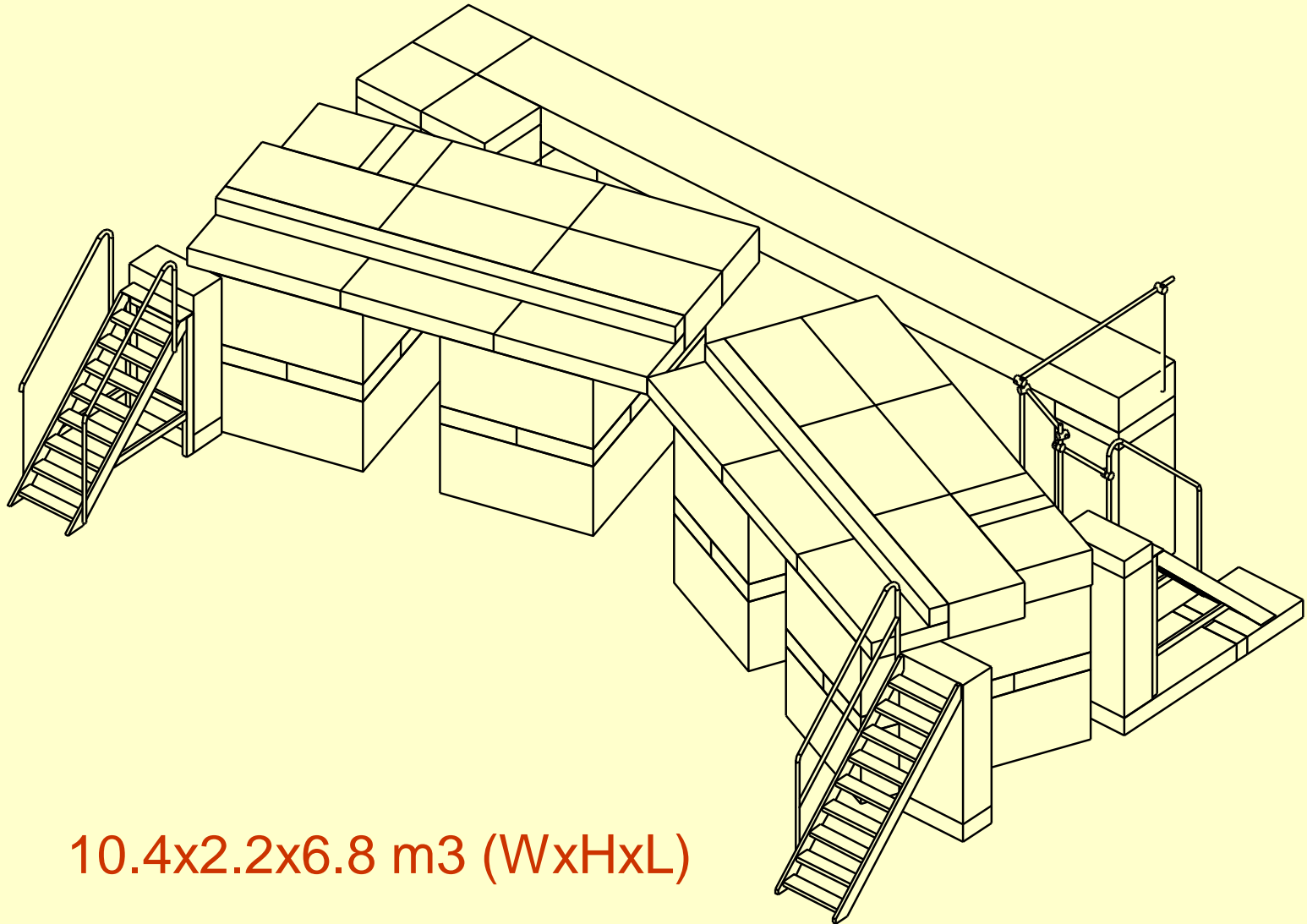
Ext. 4 in two layers

New slabs:

12x88 cm

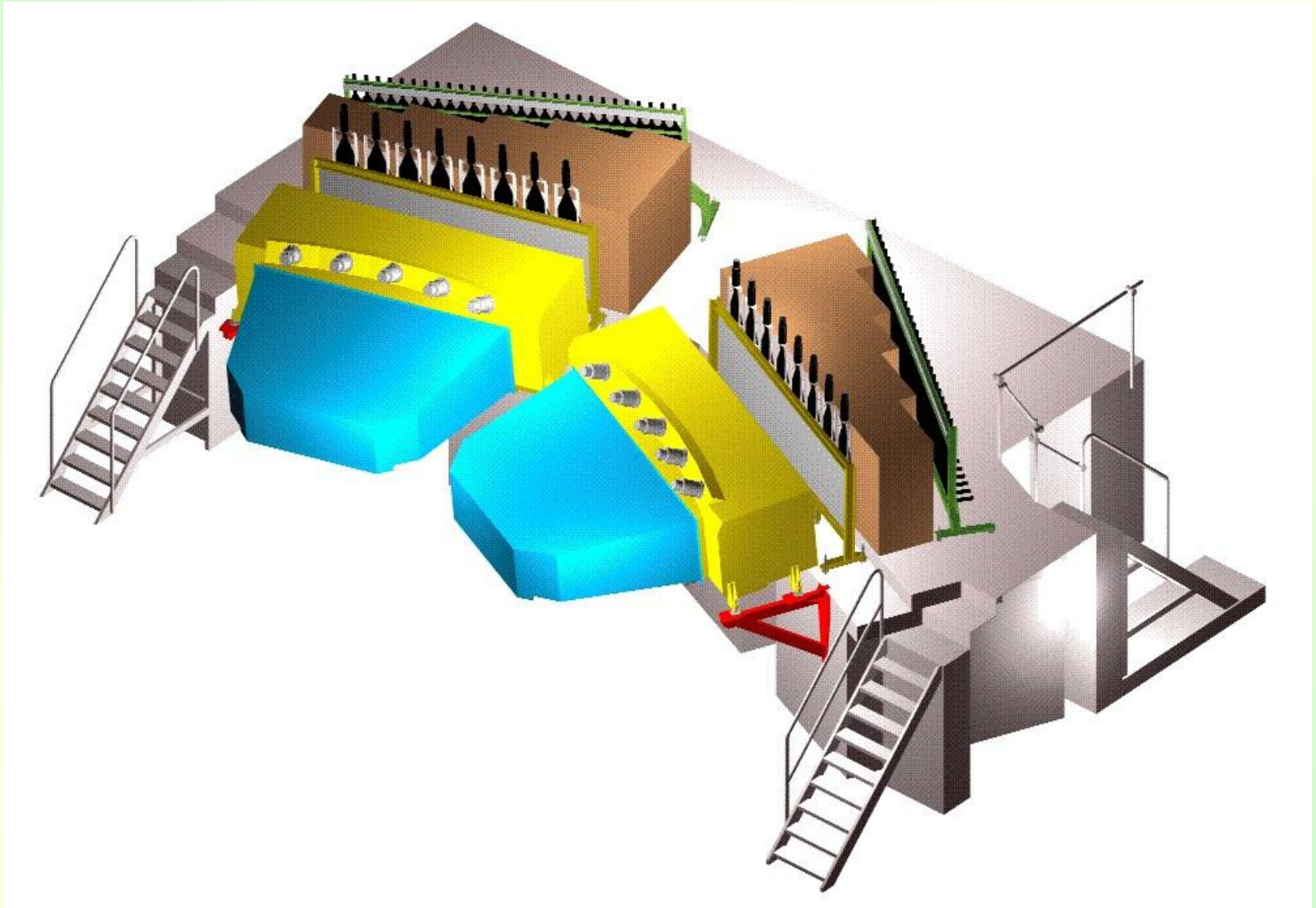
10 mm thick

Support for CH, PSH, AB, MU (1998)



10.4x2.2x6.8 m³ (WxHxL)

Downstream detectors CH, PSH, MU (1998)



Downstream detectors (2006)

