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# **ATHENA Proposal Committee: Integration & Global Design Subgroup NEWS**

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# HOW ARE WE WORKING

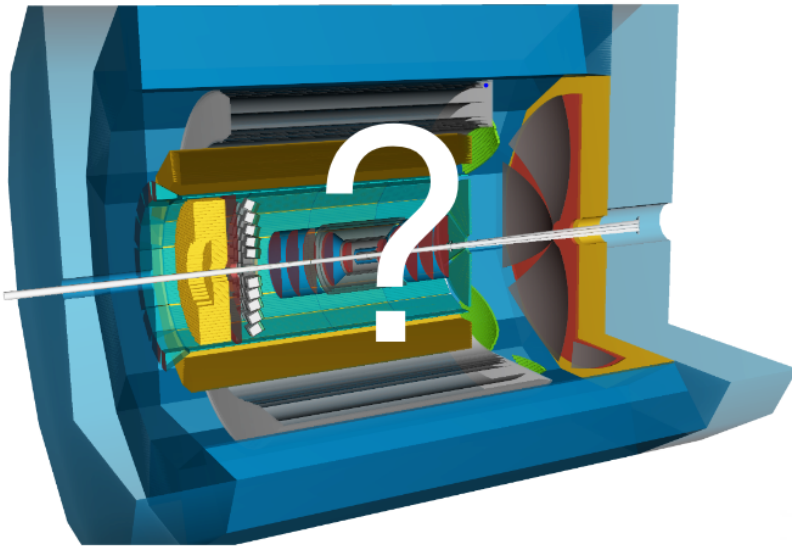
## Proposal Committee: Integration & Global design

- 13 meetings so far
- each Wednesday, at 11.00 am (EDT)
  - WG conveners invited according to the needs of the agenda of each individual meeting
  - An opportunity to thank all of them for their help and collaborative attitude
  - Material posted in INDICO
- INDICO page: <https://indico.bnl.gov/category/378/>

# Integration & Global Design Subgroup, GOAL

## The Goal of the I/GD Subgroup is ...

**Design this:**



**In a constructive and friendly way**

**and:**

- Meet all physics requirements
- Low risk
- Upgradable
- Cost effective
- Superior to other concepts

**with:**

- Detector Working Groups
- Engineers
- Project
- Software Group
- DD4HEP
- Physics Working Groups
- Patience
- Little Time



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**Our report at the previous bi-weekly (9/16), slide by Thomas Ullrich**



# WHERE ARE WE vs GOAL

## INTRODUCTION - The principle that guides us

- Design a detector where:

- All the **essential subdetectors** are present in the baseline configuration and no more than that
- The configuration is **realistic from the engineering** point of view:
  - The different subdetectors do not interfere one with another
  - The subdetectors can be mechanically supported
  - The subdetectors can be supplied (power, cooling, data transfer)
  - The detector can be assembled
- Later, strategic **upgrades can be easily accommodated** within the baseline configuration

Essential contribution  
of the project thanks to  
our project contact person

- **Minimize** the number of detectors
- With the help and support of the WG conveners, **operate choices**
- Define the **R&D's of interest** for the base-line and the possible upgrades



# WHERE ARE WE vs GOAL

## **TODAY we report about the CENTRAL DETECTOR**

- **Most of our recent activity dedicated to CD**
- **Progress also in defining the design of FF and FB**
  - Next report



# CENTRAL DETECTOR, MAJOR DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED

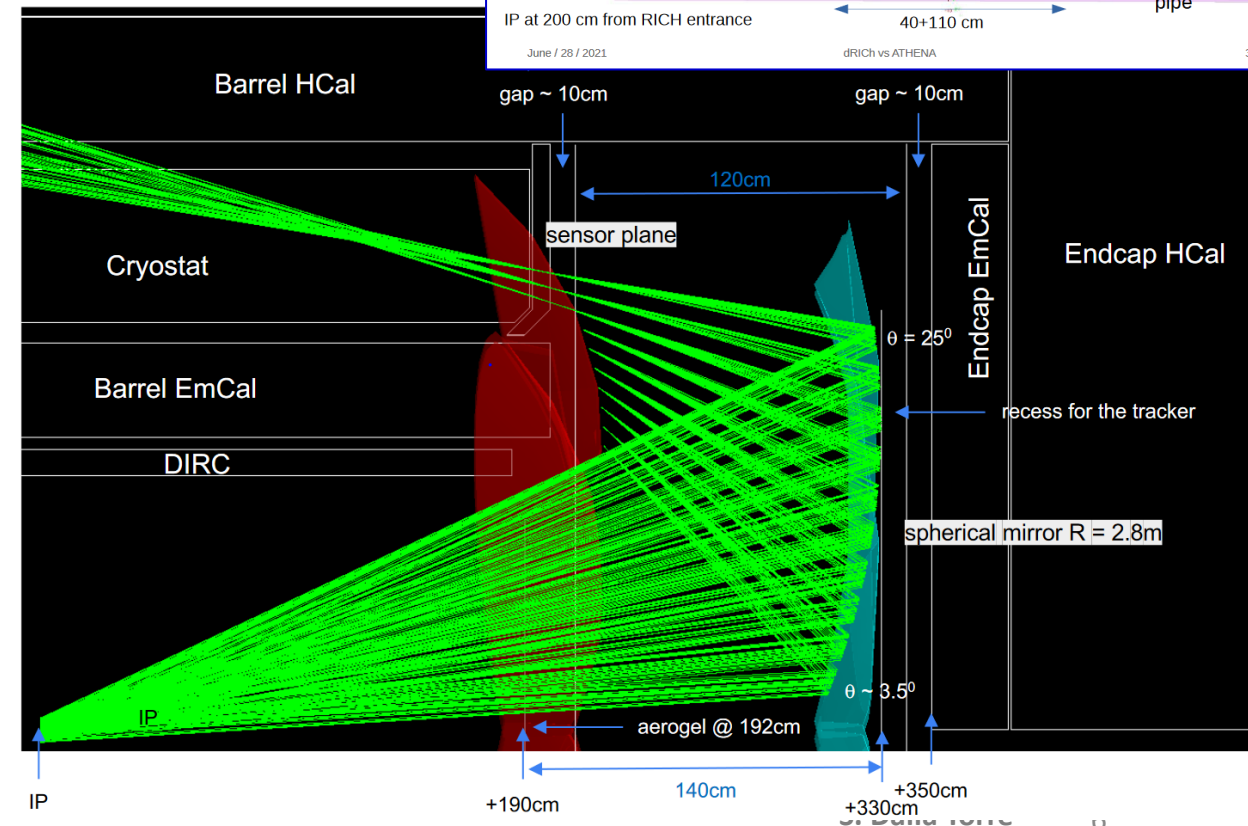
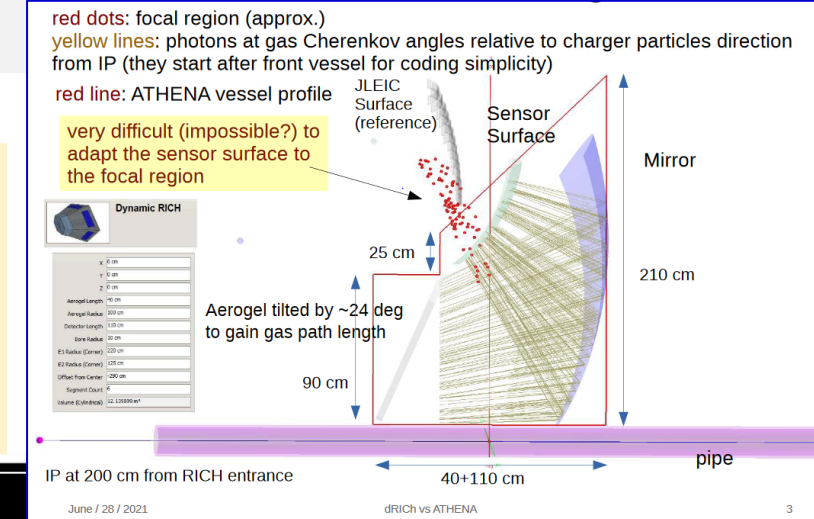
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## Forward endcap, conflicting requirements

- Support of the heavy ( $\sim 100$  t) barrel em calorimeter
- Routing out the services for the calorimeter and more inner subdetectors
- Design an effective dRICH optics
  - Conflicting:** large angular acceptance, short available space in z, more critical at large radius

Here, examples of the non-successful exercises performed to fit the dRICH optics in the available space (Evaristo Cisbani, Alexander Kiselev)

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## FORWARD ENDCAP, THE WAY OUT

New field map now available:  
<https://wiki.bnl.gov/athena/index.php/Project#Magnet>

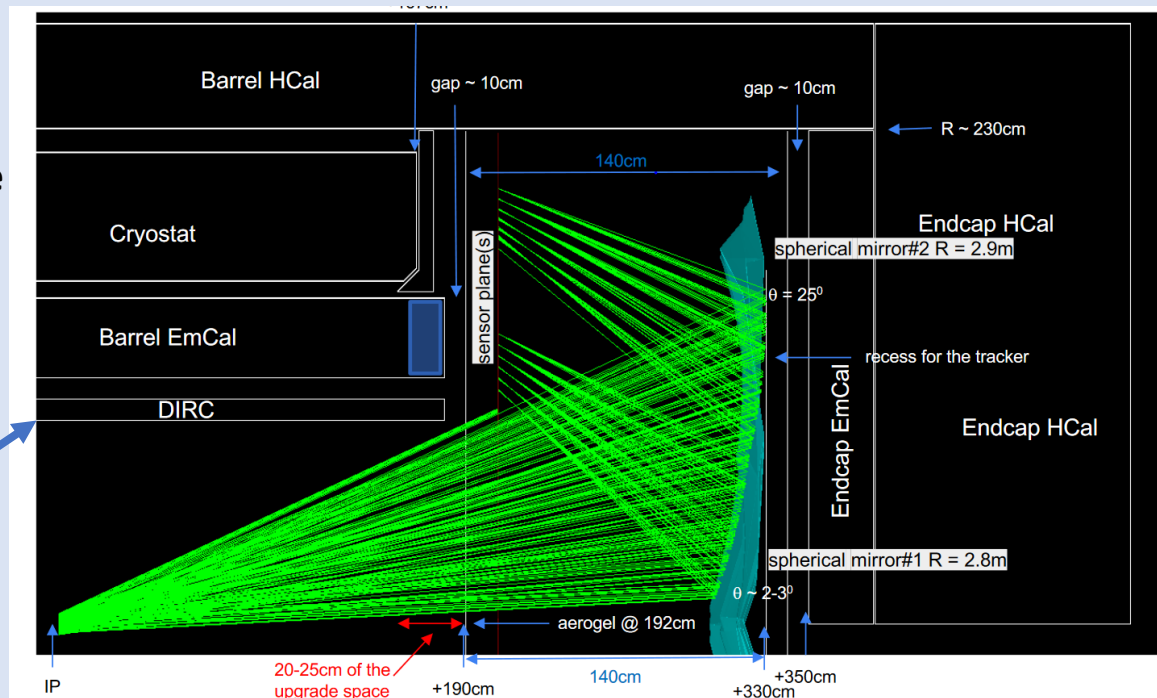
### Move the solenoid 25 cm backward (thanks, Elke!)

- Correspondingly, make the EC calorimeter shorter in the forward direction
- Obtain more space in z at large radius for dRICH
- Check that an effective dRICH optics can be designed
- **STILL IN THE TO DO LIST**

- Design an optimized dRICH optics
- Check magnetic field at the DIRC expansion volume
- Check the effect (no surprises expected) of :
  - More  $\int B dl$  for e
  - Less  $\int B dl$  for h

Here, an example of the dRICH optics by Alexander Kiselev

**Not yet an optimized optics:** it shows that very reasonable optics are allowed thanks to the more relaxed constraints from integration



## CENTRAL DETECTOR, MAJOR DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED

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### ■ PID by Cherenkov in the backward endcap

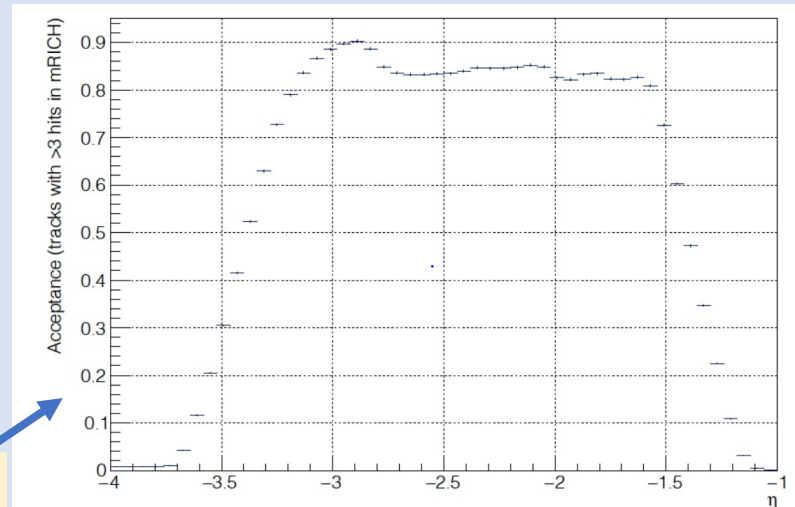
#### ■ YR default - mRICH, supported by:

- Years of R&D
- two test beam (n. of ph.s, ring size OK; resolution not yet demonstrated)
- Stand alone simulation, now also GEANT4 in DD4HEP with reconstruction in progress
- $\pi/K$  sep.  $> 3\sigma$  up to 10 GeV/c making use of limited space thanks to Fresnel lenses (to be demonstrated)

#### ■ Problematic aspects

- Material budget to be better understood (10-12%  $X_0$  ?)
- Non-homogeneity of the material budget
- Dead area due to modules at  $\sim 15$ -20% level
- Resolution that can be obtained with Fresnel lenses

From Murad Sandor at PID meeting



$\pi^-$  p:05-11.5 GeV/c &&  $-4 < \eta < -1$  and full azimuth  
vertex(x,y,z) = (0,0,+35 cm)

Efficiency = (Tracks with at least 3 hit in mRICH) / (all tracks)



# PID by CHERENKOV in the BACKWARD ENCAP, A RECENT ALTERNATIVE

- Starting point: with the evolution of the design of the ATHENA detector, more space along z available
- A proximity focusing aerogel RICH with LONG proximity gap can fit the available space
  - Total length:  $\sim 60$  cm, proximity gap  $\sim 40$  cm
  - Initial simulation study indicate performance similar to what expected for mRICH (LONG proximity gap)
  - NOTE: initial study do not foreseen Fresnel lenses, that can be added when it demonstrated that the bring further improvements

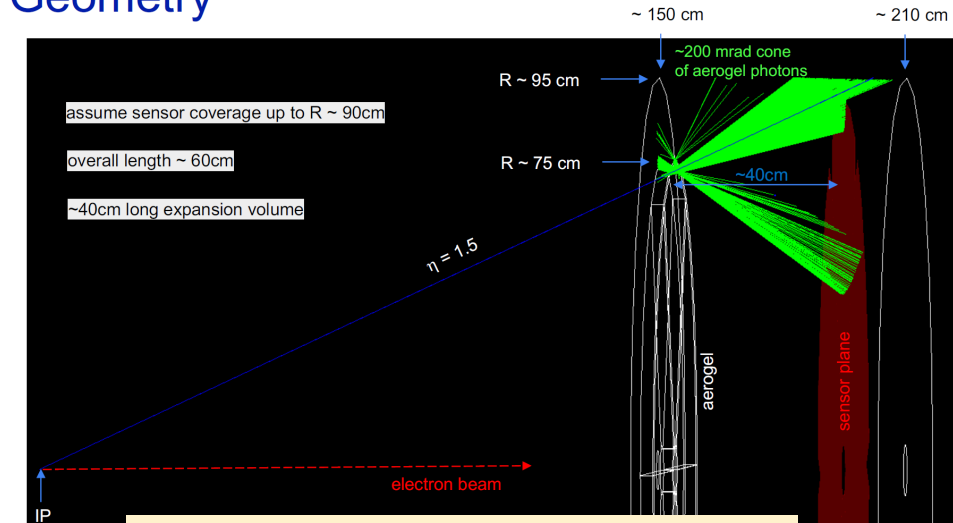
## ADVANTAGES

- Better established technology
- Less material budget
- More complete coverage
- OPTION TO HAVE PROXIMITY FOCUSING RICH (with Fresnel lense option) AS DEFAULT discussed with mRICH team →
  - Agreed upon also with their help for the new default
  - constructive attitude GREATLY appreciated

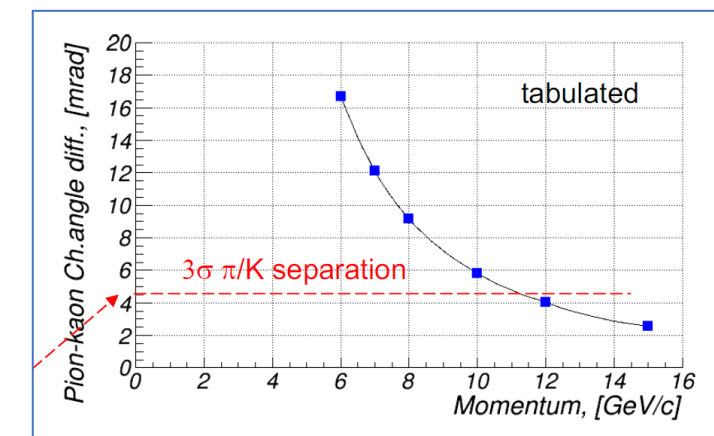
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## Geometry



From Alexander Kiselev

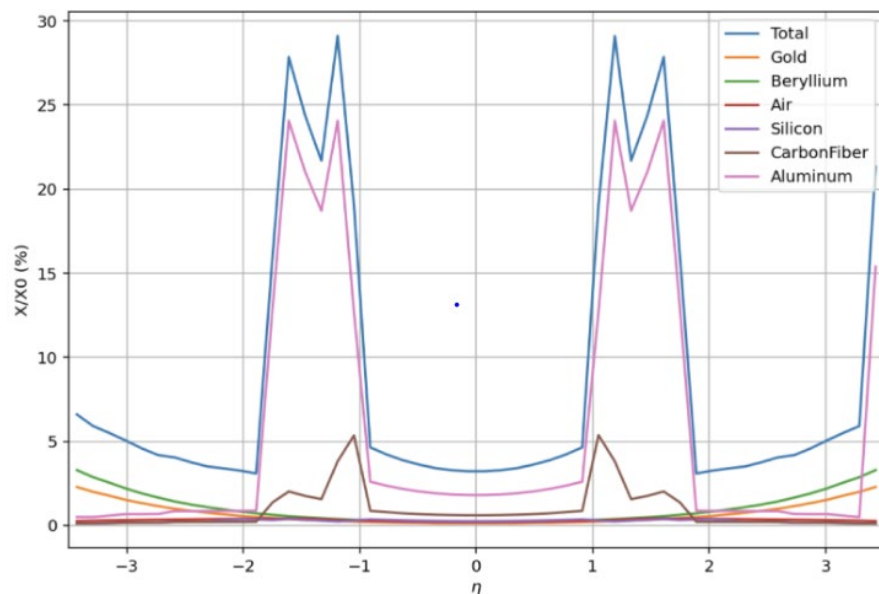
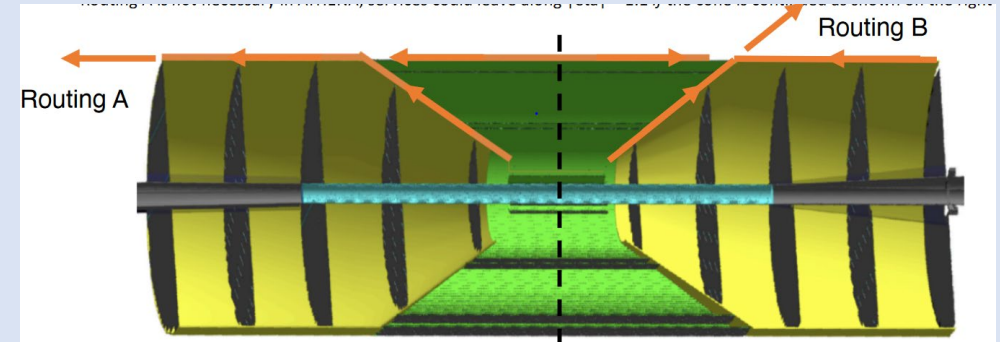


$\sim 10$  p.e. per track and  $\sim 1.5$  mrad track-level Cherenkov  $\theta$  resolution

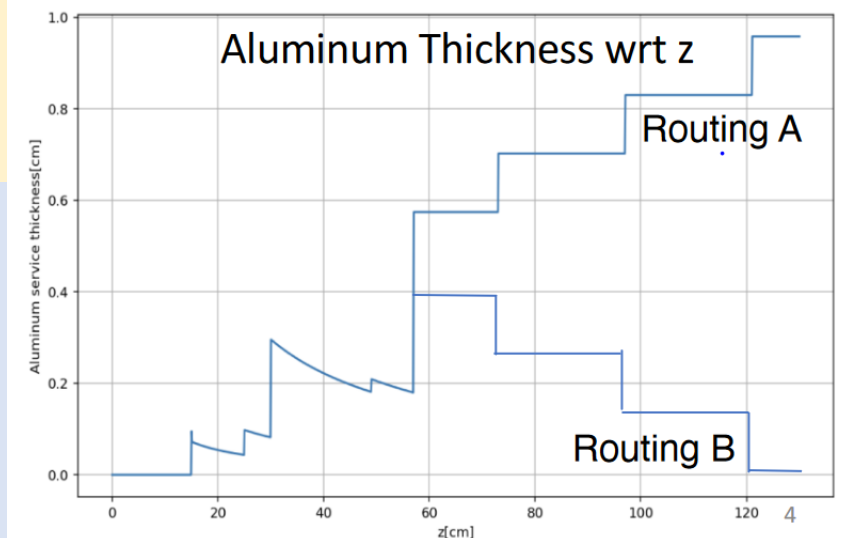
## CENTRAL DETECTOR, MAJOR DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED

### Material Budget spectrum for the whole Si option in end caps

- Main problem coming from the material for the services
- Brilliant option of different cable routing



Material from Ernst  
Sichtermann  
at Tracking meeting

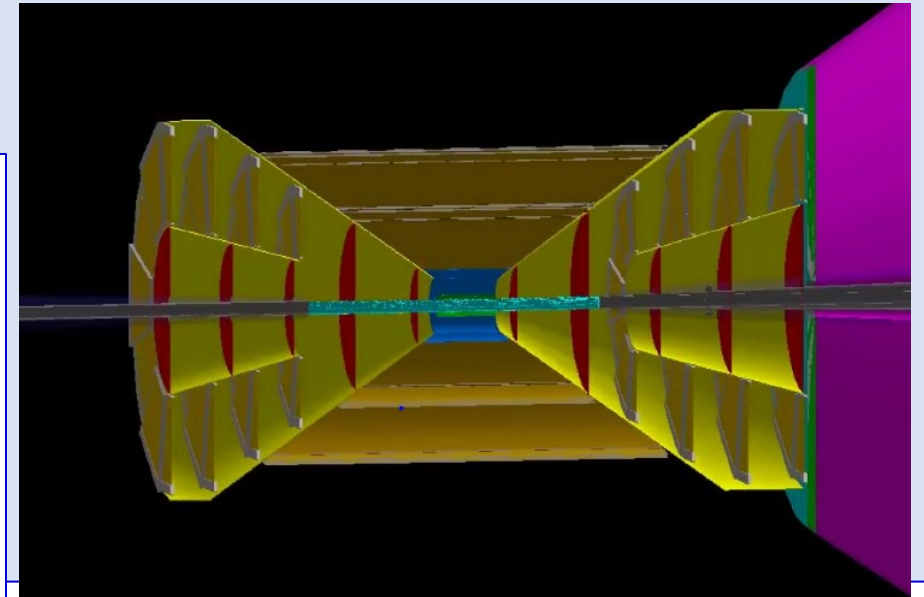
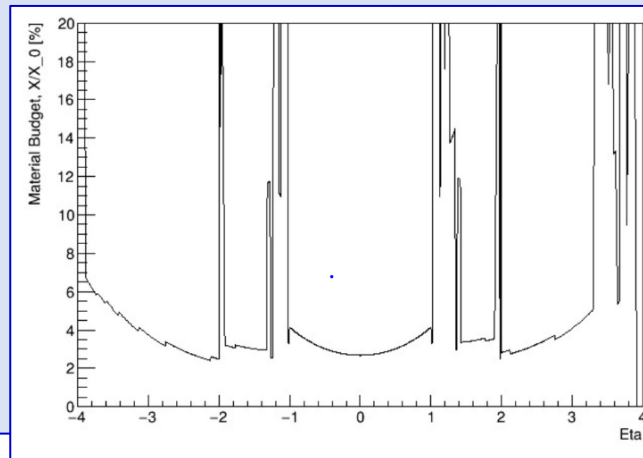
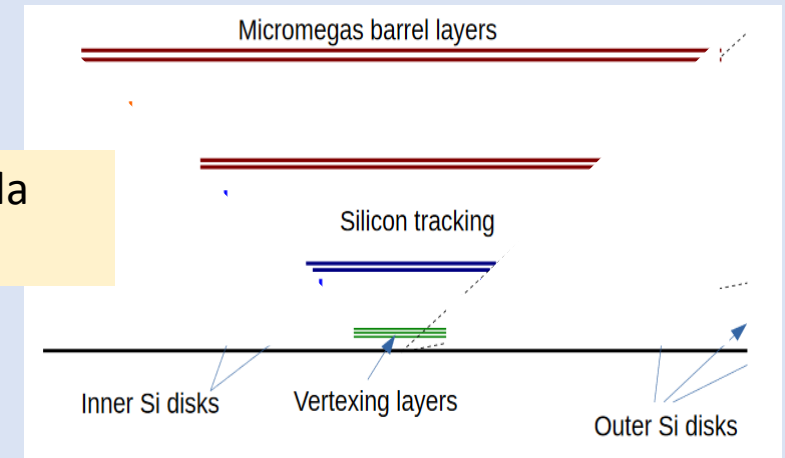


## CENTRAL DETECTOR, MAJOR DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED

### ■ Designing the hybrid tracking configuration

- Barrel, consolidated design since a while
- Proposed double projective geometry problematic for engineering integration, even if favorable concerning material budget spectrum

From Laura Gonella  
at I/GD meeting

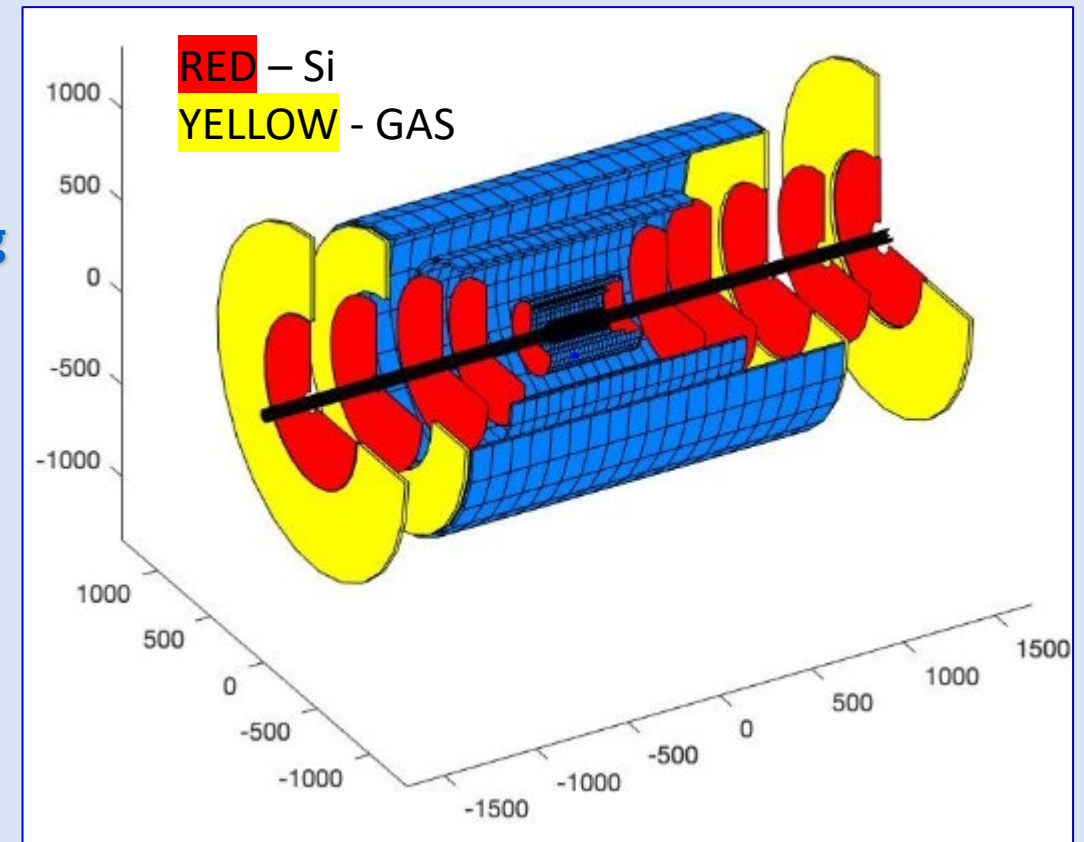


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## THE NOVEL DESIGN OF THE HYBRID TRACKING CONFIGURATION

From Laura Gonella  
at I/GD meeting

- **Fixed for the forward endcap:** no major integration problems as some material in front of GEMs to support disks can be tolerated
- **With/without GEMs in the backward endcap** according to the impact of the disk support material; also option of larger Si disc considered
  - Remaining open points to be fixed by October 6<sup>th</sup>
- **In other words, in 1 w, we will now about these two options:**
  - Barrel: Hybrid, Fwd: Hybrid, Bkwd: Hybrid
  - Barrel: Hybrid, Fwd: Hybrid, Bkwd: Si



## CENTRAL DETECTOR, baseline Design in the PROPOSAL

### ■ Includes

#### ■ Tracking, 2 options

- Full Si
- Hybrid
  - Configuration largely defined, frozen within 1 week

#### ■ Calorimetry (configuration stable since ~July)

- YR-like for HCal
- YR-like for ECal Backward endcap
- YR-like for ECal forward endcap
- Novel hybrid concept (imaging layers followed by sampling layers) in the barrel
  - First Imaging layer also providing space point information (res. ~150  $\mu\text{m}$ ) downstream of the DIRC bars

#### ■ PID

- hpDIRC in the barrel
- dRICH in the forward endcap
- Proximity focusing aerogel RICH in the backward endcap
  - Fresnel lenses optional

**IMPORTANT !!!**  
There is still a lot to understand about these baseline detectors:

- With simulation for Proposal
- With R&D for further and complete consolidation



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## CENTRAL DETECTOR, baseline Design in the PROPOSAL

### ■ KNOWN QUESTIONABLE ASPECTS OF THIS DESIGN

#### ■ Poor HCal in the barrel due to solenoid material:

- **Better than initially:** some replacement of Cu with Al in the solenoid design
- A choice between 3T field and better h detection/measurement:
- ATHENA has chosen 3T
- Waiting to understand from simulation what limited HCal performance in barrel implies for physics (assessment needed)

#### ■ No PID below the Cherenkov thresholds (aerogel, quartz)

- e/ $\pi$  separation in support of ECal (in particular at low p)
  - Understand from experience what Cherenkov devices in threshold mode can provide
- h-PID
  - Understand from experience what Cherenkov devices can provide for  $\pi/K$  separation below K threshold
  - Deeper understanding of the impact of this limitation on physics potential
- **Low p PID upgrades considered**



## CENTRAL DETECTOR, UPGRADE OPTIONS

### ■ From the KNOWN QUESTIONABLE ASPECTS OF THIS DESIGN

- Low p PID upgrades
- Several development on-going
  - **TRD**:  $e/\pi$  separation and tracking
    - TRD can replace a tracker in the frontend endcap
  - **MiniTPC (gridpix sensors)**: Low p  $e/\pi$  separation, h-PID and tracking
    - Space available between the MPGD cylinders in the barrel
  - **TOF by LGAD**: Low p  $e/\pi$  separation, h-PID and tracking
    - Space available in the barrel, in front of dRICH and in front of Backward ECal
  - **LAPPD**: TOF and single photon sensors (backward RICH)
    - Replacing SiPMs in backward RICH
    - Other applications ?

Effects of extra material budget  
Need to be addressed

### ■ MORE R&D OF POTENTIAL INTEREST

- **$\mu$ R-WELL** as alternative to GEM detectors for large areas