

# AC-LGAD Detectors for Spatial and Timing Measurements at the Electron-Ion Collider

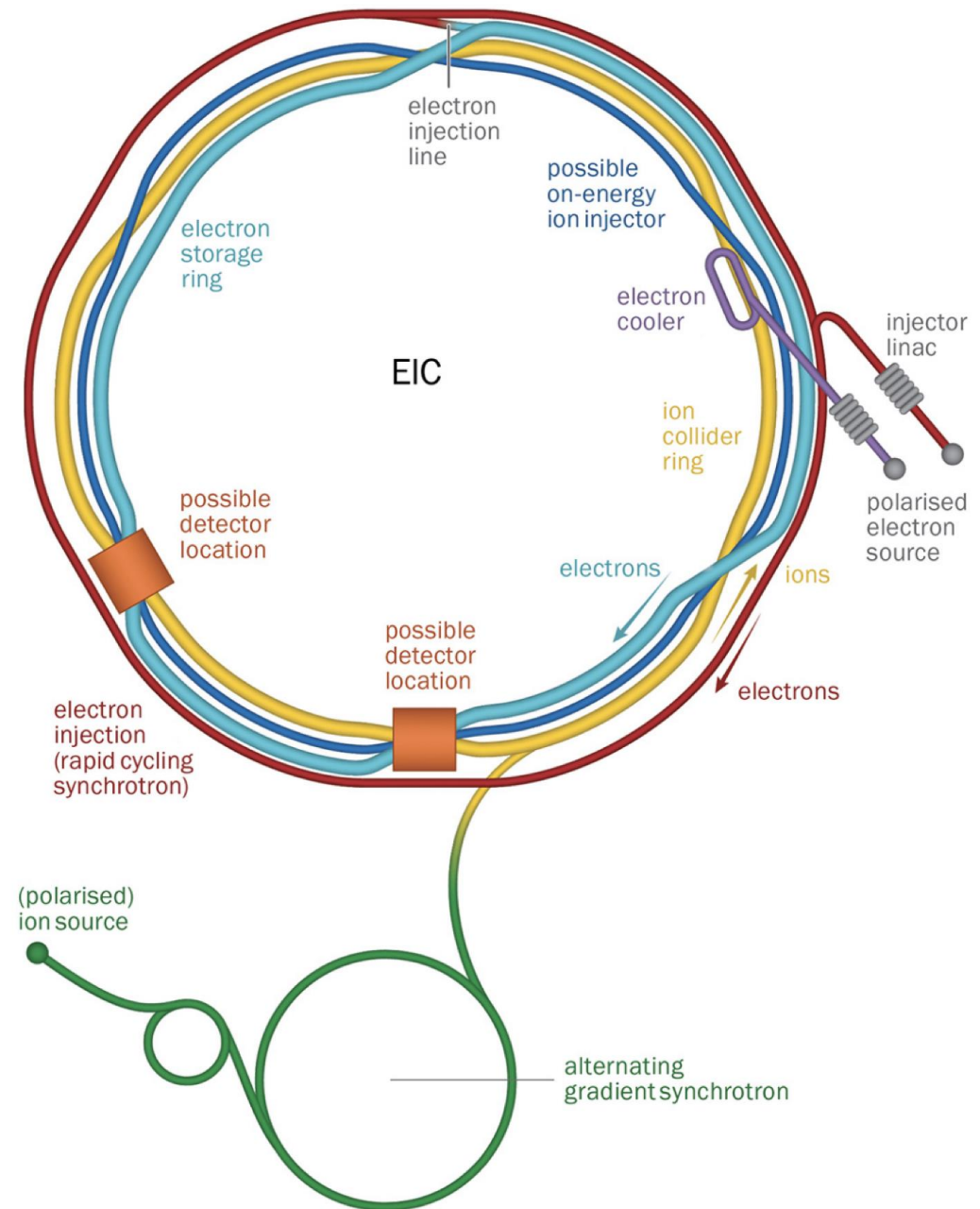
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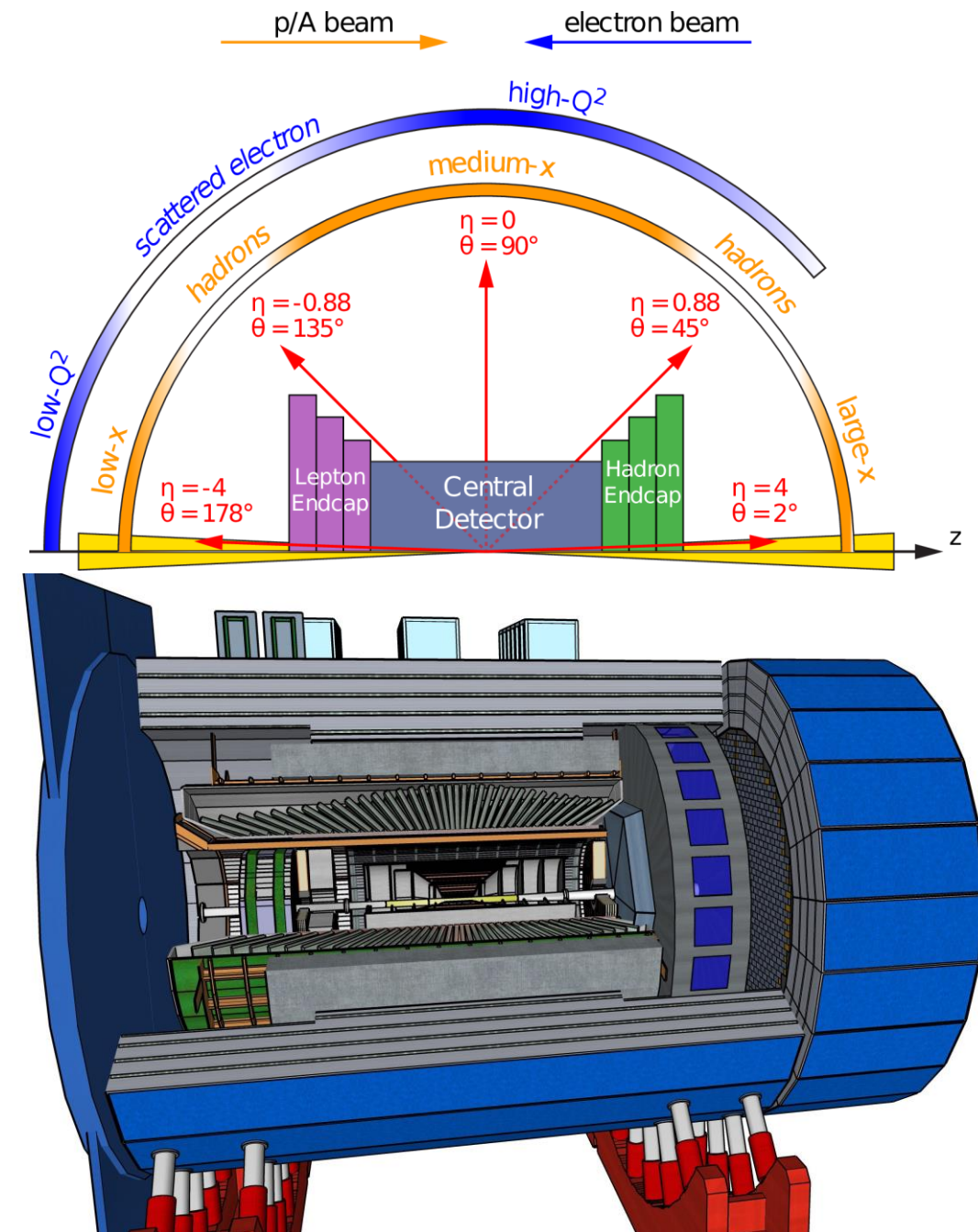
# The Electron-Ion Collider

- Flagship Nuclear Physics Collider Experiment constructed at Brookhaven National Laboratory
  - Protons/nuclei 41-275 GeV/Z
  - Electrons up to 18 GeV
  - Up to 70% polarized beams
  - Luminosity up to  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  (100-1000x HERA)
- Two interaction regions
- First beams in early 2030s



# EPIC – The First Detector for EIC

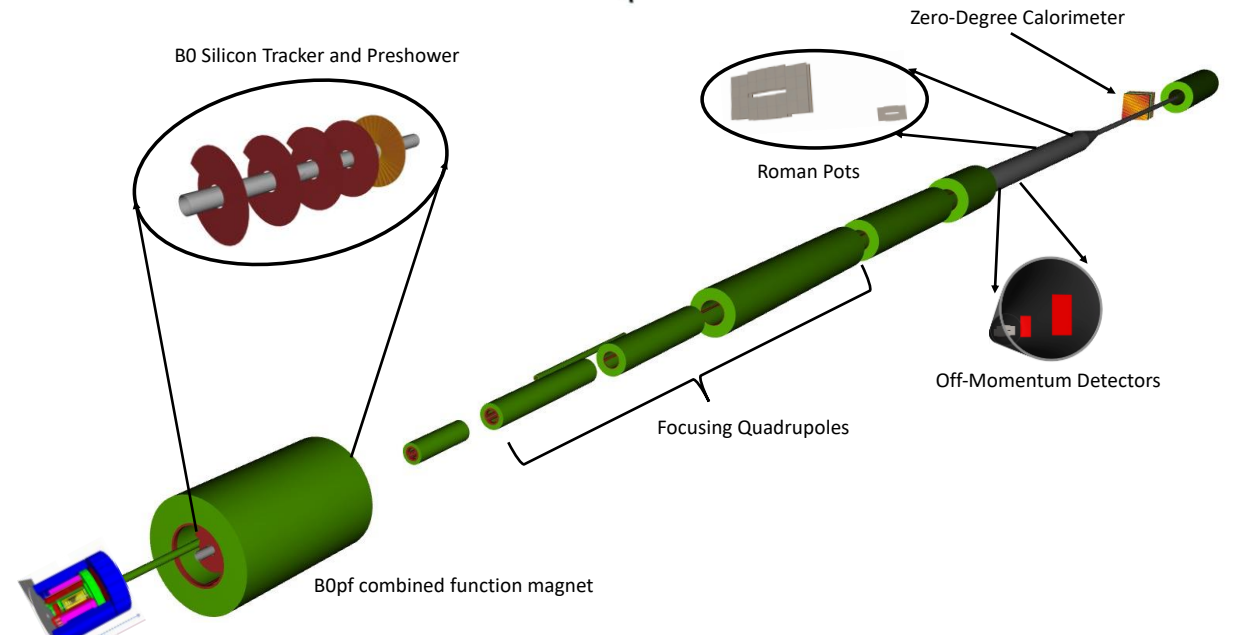
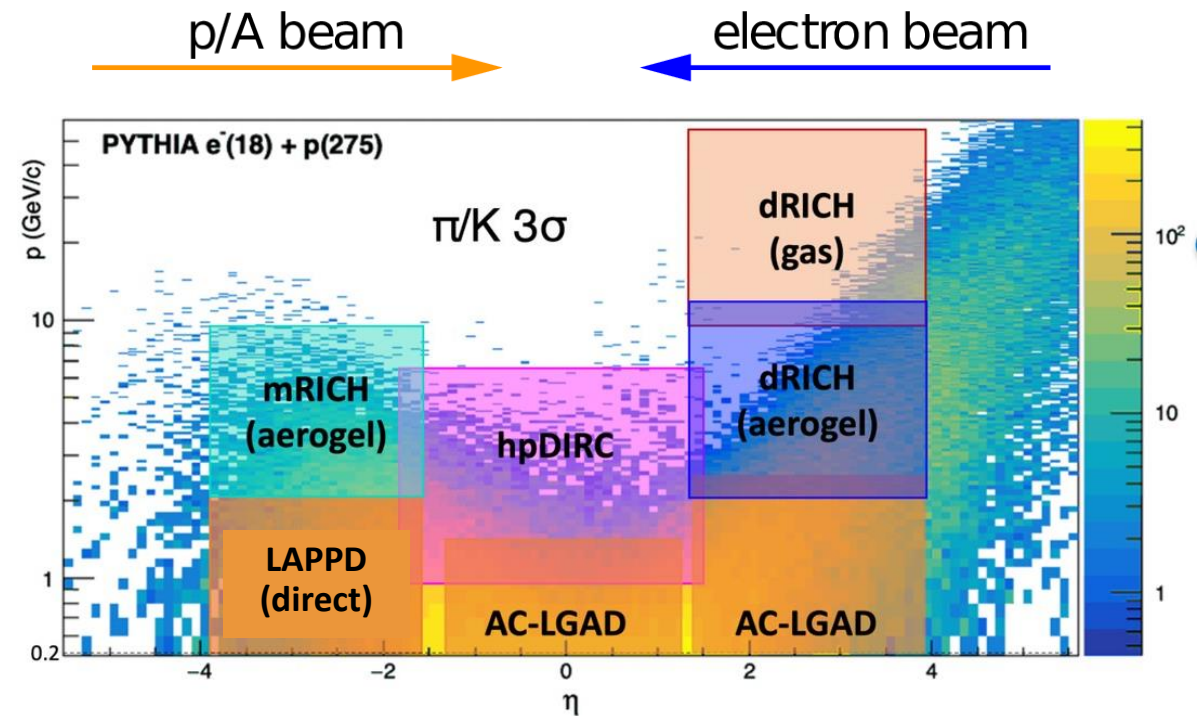
- Full coverage detector  
See [[talk by T. Ullrich](#)]
  - High precision tracking [[MPGD](#)]
  - Particle Identification [[dRICH](#)]
  - High granularity calorimeters [[1,2,3,4](#)]
  - Far forward/backward systems
- EPIC Collaboration formed July '22
  - Proponents of ATHENA/CORE/ECCE
  - Logo to be revealed soon!





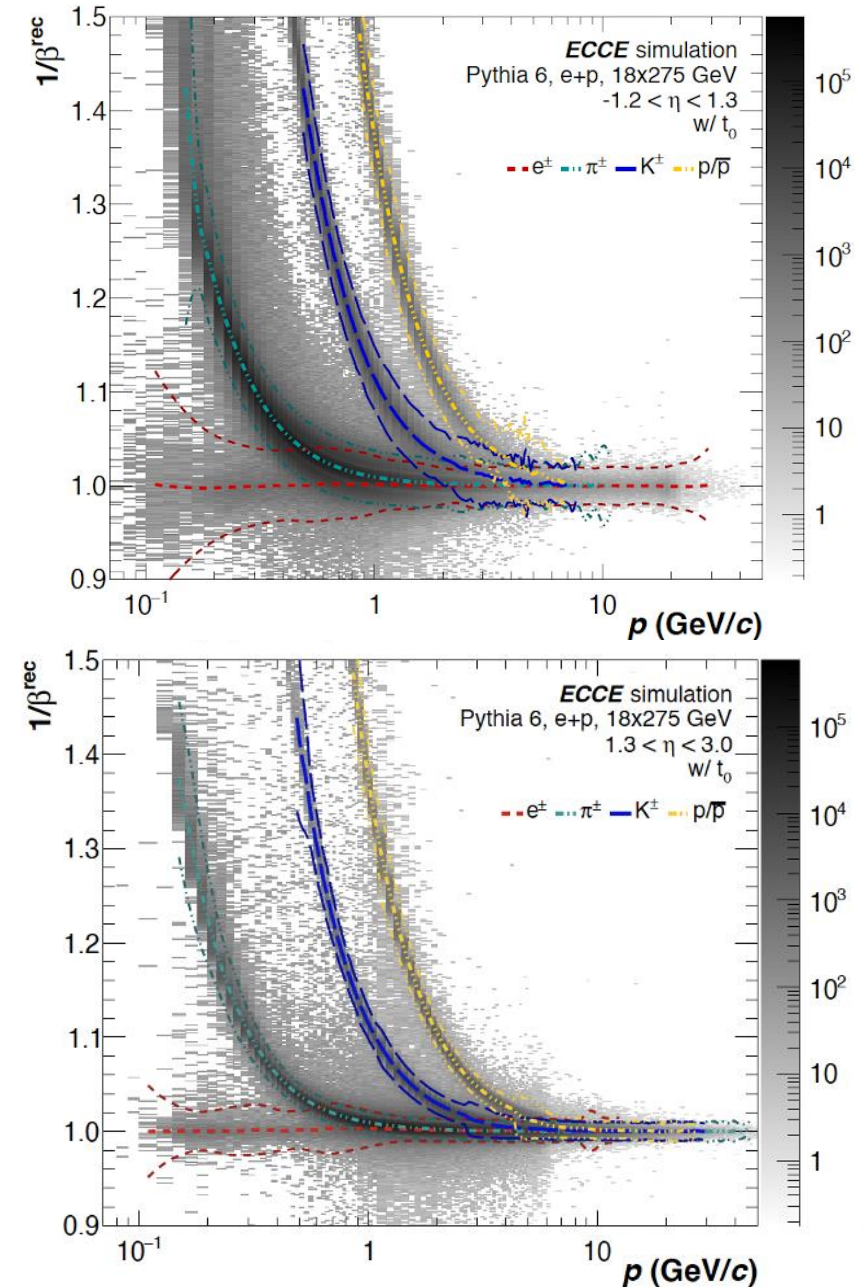
# AC-LGADs in EPIC

- AC-LGADs: true 4D tracking
  - <30ps MIP sensor timing achieved
  - Adjacent electrodes share signal, improving resolution
  - No dead area between electrodes
  - Several talks at this workshop: [\[1,2,3,Plenary\]](#)
- Several EPIC systems based on AC-LGAD
  - Time-of-flight PID
  - Far forward
  - >10m<sup>2</sup> total active area
- EIC AC-LGAD Consortium
  - ~12 institutes involved
  - Joint R&D for all systems
  - Paving the way into the future...



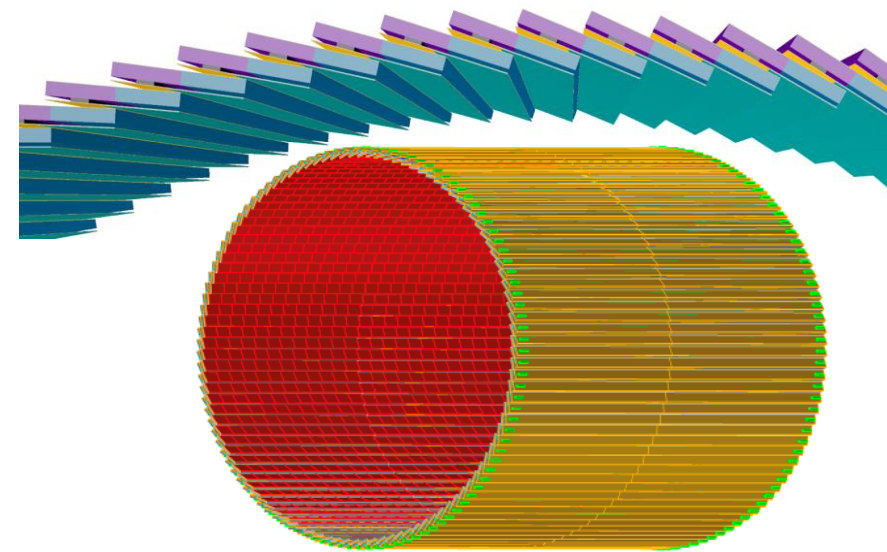
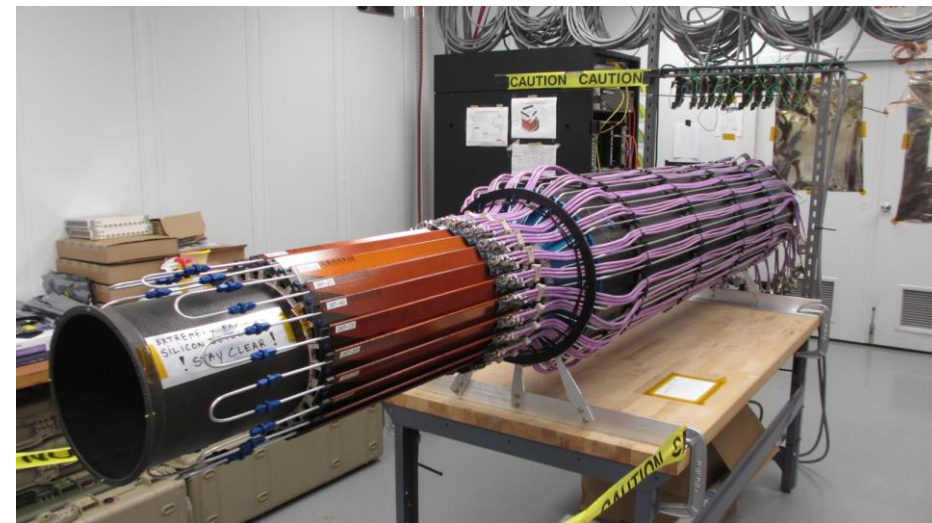
# AC-LGAD TOF in EPIC

- Target: 25ps detector resolution
- <20ps event  $t_0$  determination
  - Machine clock + X-t correlation
  - Scattered e<sup>-</sup> timing, fitted hadron timing
- Serves as additional tracking layer
  - Barrel: 0.5mm x 10mm strips
  - Hadron endcap: 0.5mm x 0.5mm pixels



# EPIC Barrel TOF

- Based on STAR IST mechanics
  - Carbon foam, Kapton flex PCB
  - Expect  $\sim 1\%$   $X/X_0$  material
- Long staves: 2.40m span
- Large area:  $10\text{m}^2$  sensors
- $\sim 4\text{kW}$  total power dissipation
- Requires fabrication tests and demonstrators

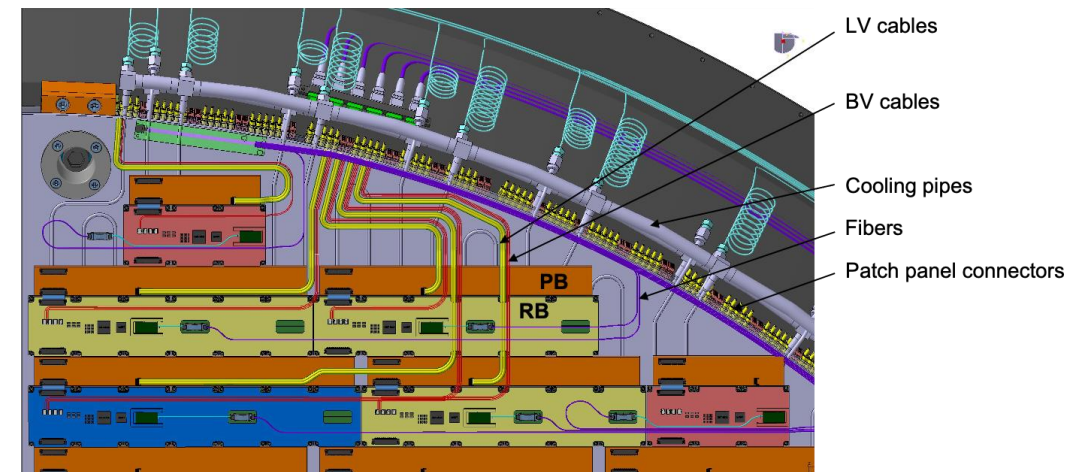
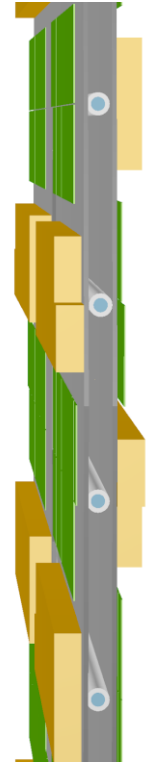
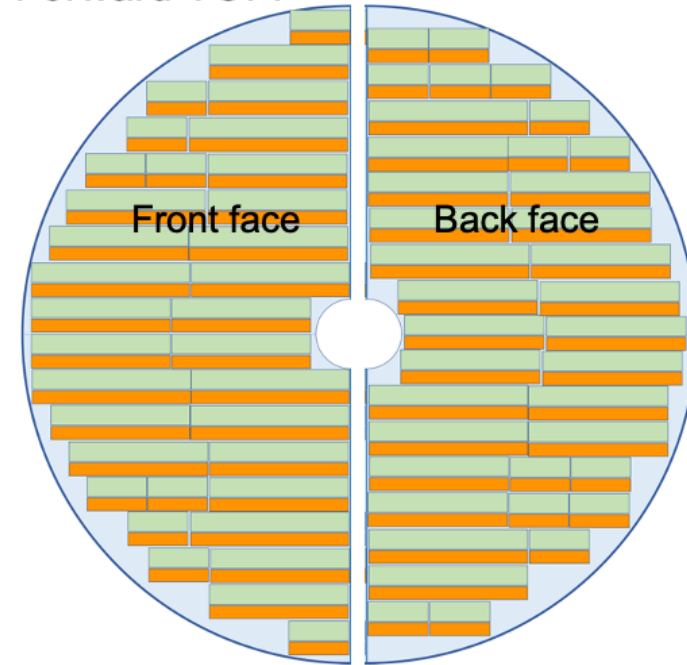




# EPIC Endcap TOF

- Based on CMS-ETL design
  - Double-sided clamshell
- 1.3m diameter (1.5 m<sup>2</sup>)
  - <10cm total thickness
  - Expect ~8%  $X/X_0$  material
- Significant power dissipation
  - 13kW at 0.5 x 0.5mm<sup>2</sup> segmentation, scaling with pixel size/density
  - Operation at room temperature

Forward TOF:



# EPIC Far Forward Tracking

B0 Silicon Tracker and Preshower

## **B0 tracking:**

- Far forward tracking in magnetic field.
- High spatial resolution (~10 $\mu$ m) required!
- Integrated timing layer for background rejection

Zero-Degree Calorimeter

Roman Pots

Off-Momentum Detectors

Focusing Quadrupoles

B0pf combined function magnet

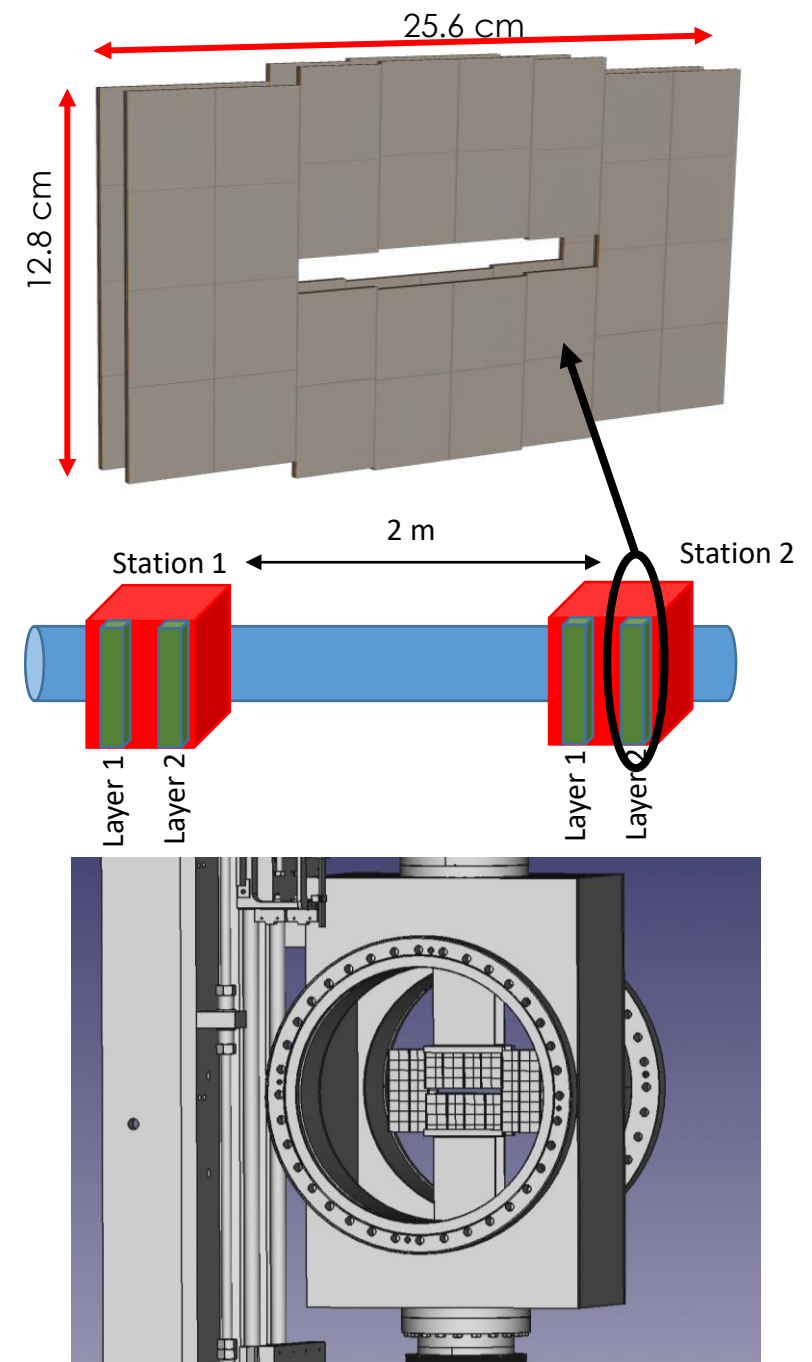
## **RP/OMD Tracking**

- Less stringent spatial resolution requirements.
  - Sensitive to misalignment.
- Sensors inside beam vacuum



# EPIC Roman Pots

- Two Roman Pot stations
  - ~25m from IP, ~2m between stations
- At least two layers of AC-LGAD tracking per station
  - 25ps timing, 0.5mm x 0.5mm pixels
- Sensor modules placed directly in machine vacuum
  - Linear actuation of sensors based on beam conditions
  - High precision, repeatability for alignment
- Low mass cooling system in vacuum
  - ~500W total, silicon micro-channels?

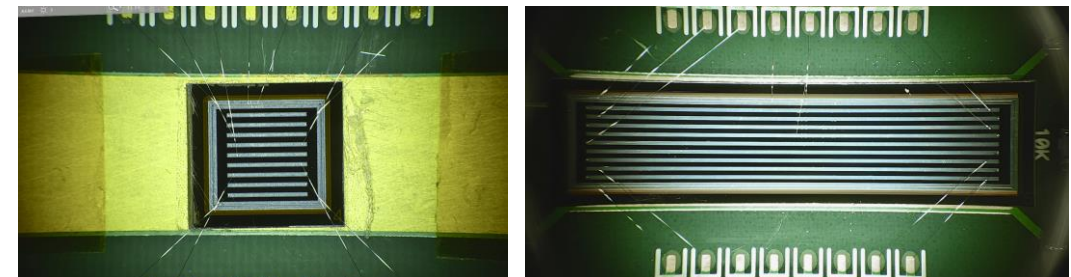
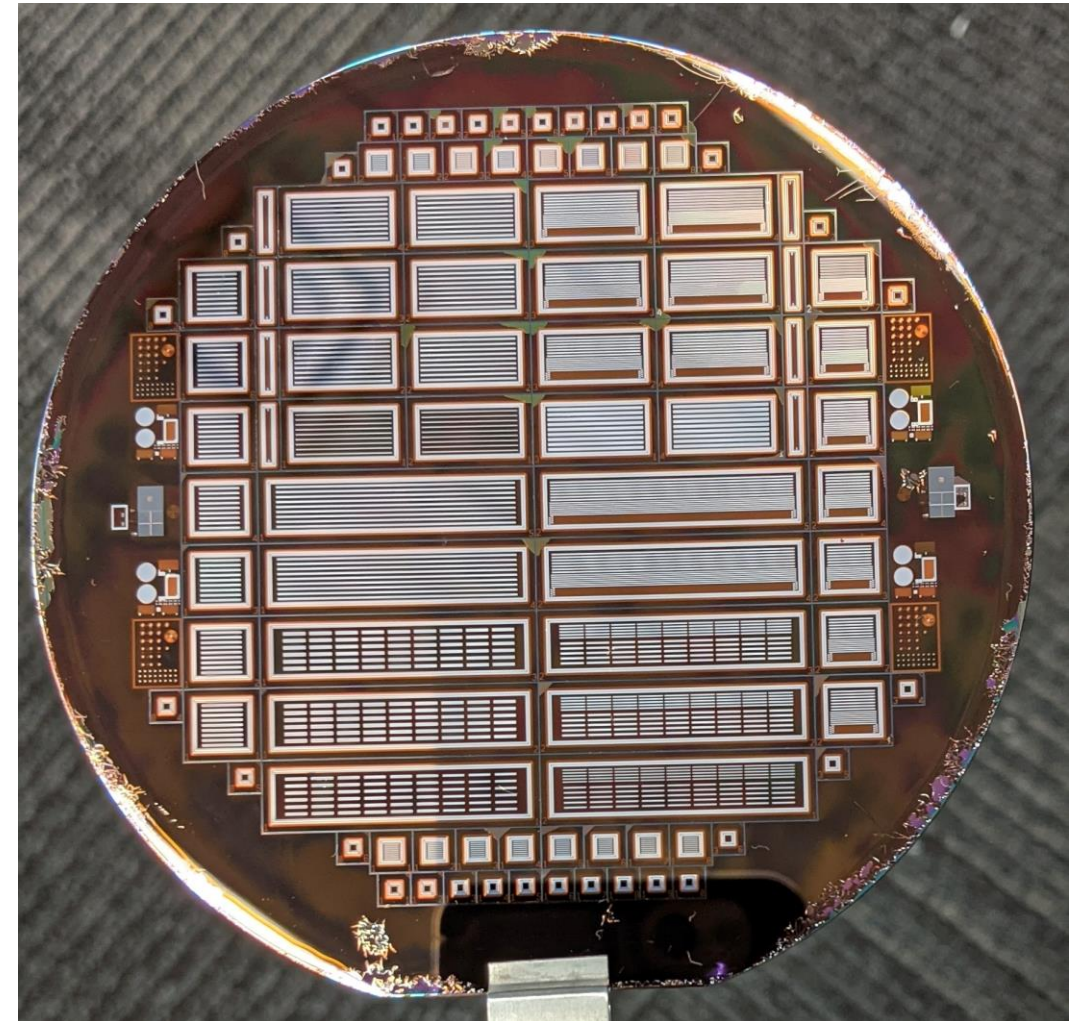


AC-LGAD Detectors at EIC

# AC-LGAD Sensor R&D

- Custom AC-LGADs from BNL
  - Various geometries: pixels, strips, zigzags!
  - 0.5mm x 0.5mm pixels: 30ps, 25um
  - 10mm x 0.5mm strips: 35ps, 37um
- Next prototype production underway
  - Thinner Si, doping, electrode geometries...
- More details: [[1](#),[2](#),[3](#),[Plenary](#)]

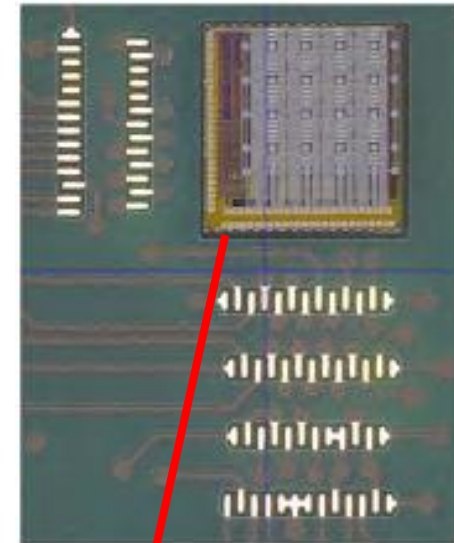
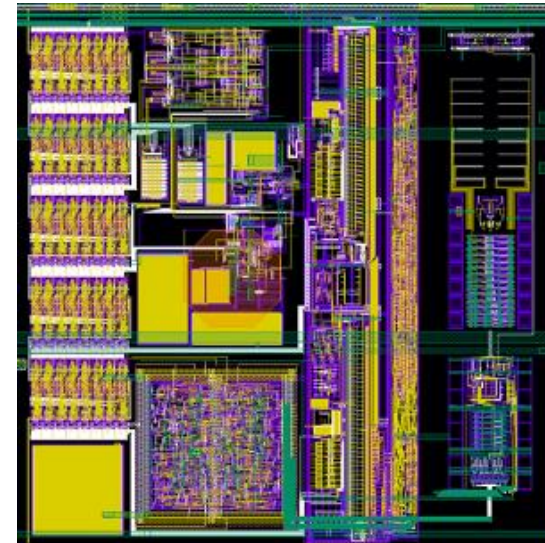
Strip Length	Strip Width	Timing	Position (eff.)
5 mm	200 um	$30 \pm 1$ ps	$37 \pm 1$ um
10 mm	100 um	$35 \pm 1$ ps	$37 \pm 1$ um
10 mm	200 um	$32 \pm 1$ ps	$55 \pm 1$ um
10 mm	300 um	$36 \pm 1$ ps	$60 \pm 1$ um
25 mm	200 um	$51 \pm 1$ ps	$117 \pm 1$ um





# Frontend ASIC & Readout Electronics

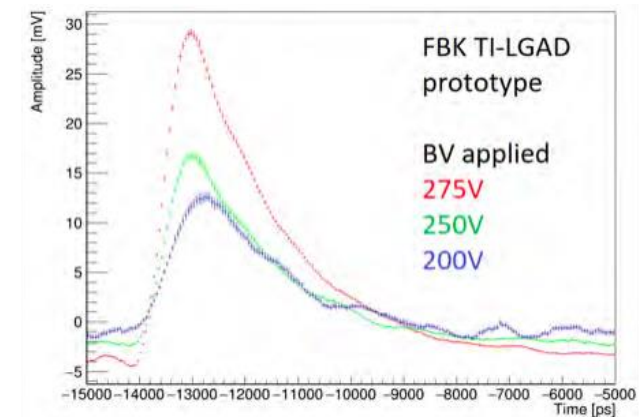
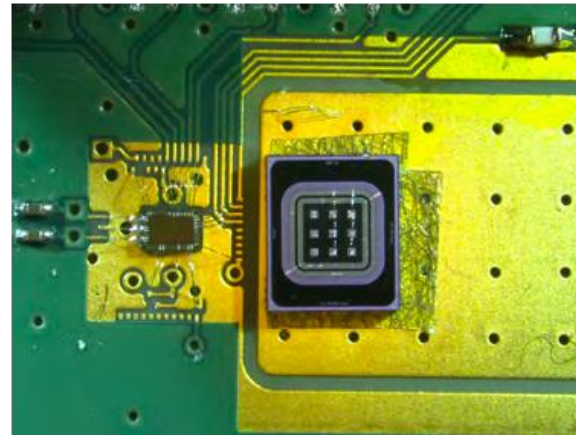
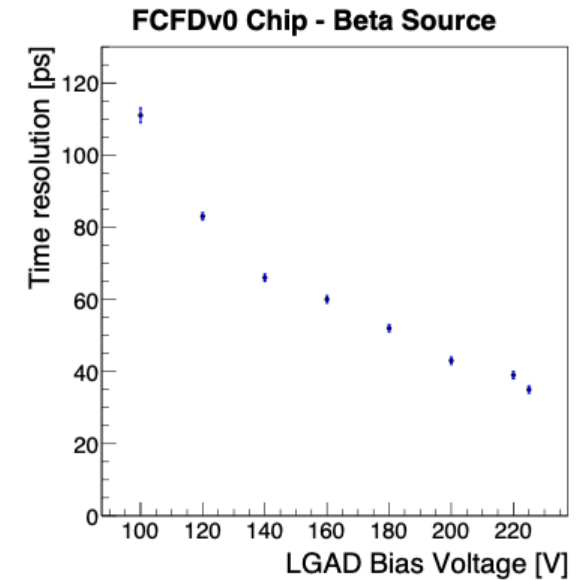
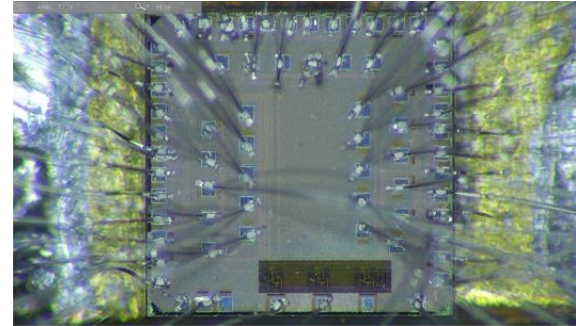
- OMEGA EICROC:
  - Designed for Roman Pot reqs.
  - Based on ATLAS ALTIROC, CMS HGCROC
- EICROC0:
  - 4x4 channels, 0.5mm x 0.5mm pitch
  - 30ps TDC/TOA
  - 8bit ADC
  - Received in July '22, tests in progress
  - Target 1mW/ch





# Frontend ASIC & Readout Electronics

- Fermilab FCFDv0: →
  - ON-chip constant fraction discrimination
- INFN Torino FAST:
  - Discriminator + TDC
- [\[Nalu Scientific\]](#) HPSoC: →
  - 8-10GSa/s digitizer, DSP
- Anadyne ASROC:
  - Si-Ge BiCMOS technology



# Summary

- EPIC at EIC plans for  $>10 \text{ m}^2$  of AC-LGADs
  - Far forward tracking, barrel and endcap time-of-flight systems
  - Largest AC-LGAD based detector project
- Activities bundled in international working group eRD112
  - BNL, UIC, LANL, ORNL, UCSC, Rice, FNAL, Purdue, OSU, NCKU, IJCLab, CEA Paris-Saclay, OMEGA
  - Sensors, ASICs, readout electronics, integration, mechanics, simulation, ...
- The future is fast timing!
  - At this workshop:
    - 11 contributions containing “[LGAD](#)”
    - 7 contributions containing “[LAPPD](#)”
    - 27 contributions containing “[timing](#)”