

TOF Support Structure – next steps

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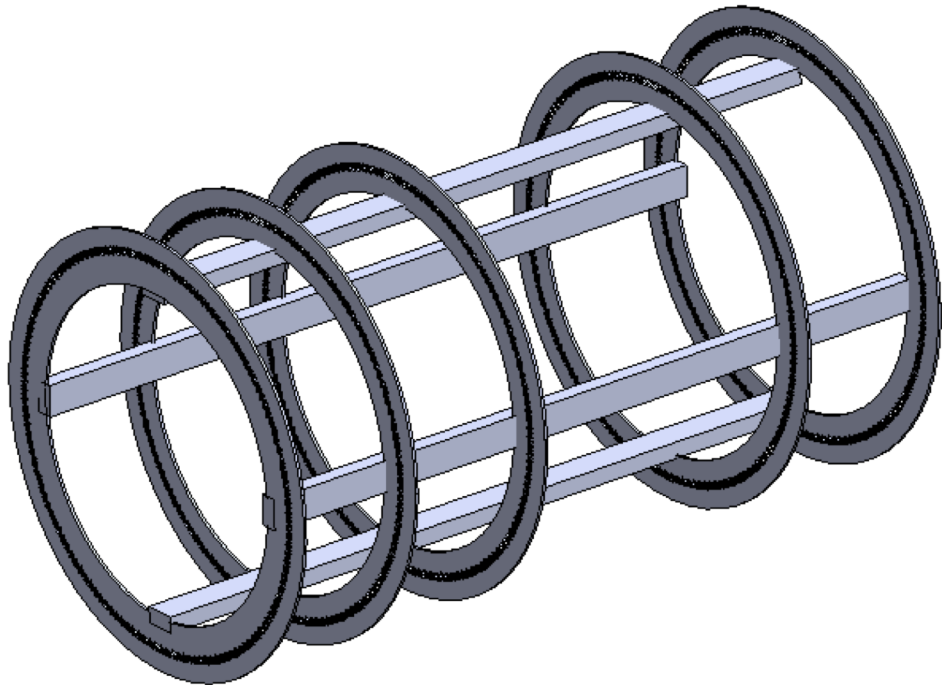


“Global” support structure for TOF

1. Set of engagement rings mounted on temporary inner rigid supports at 12, 3, 6, 9 o'clock positions for TOF assembly

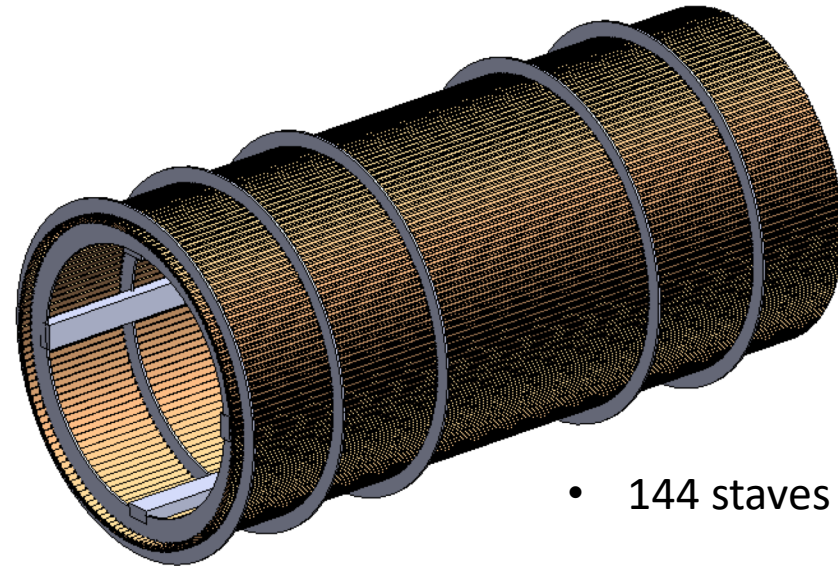
Nomenclature:

- Stave = full length mechanical structure



2. Completely mount and wire up the AC-LGAD staves when there is full access from inside and outside of these engagement rings

- Permanent support for services via larger global CF support tube
- Needs temporary support to feed out mechanics

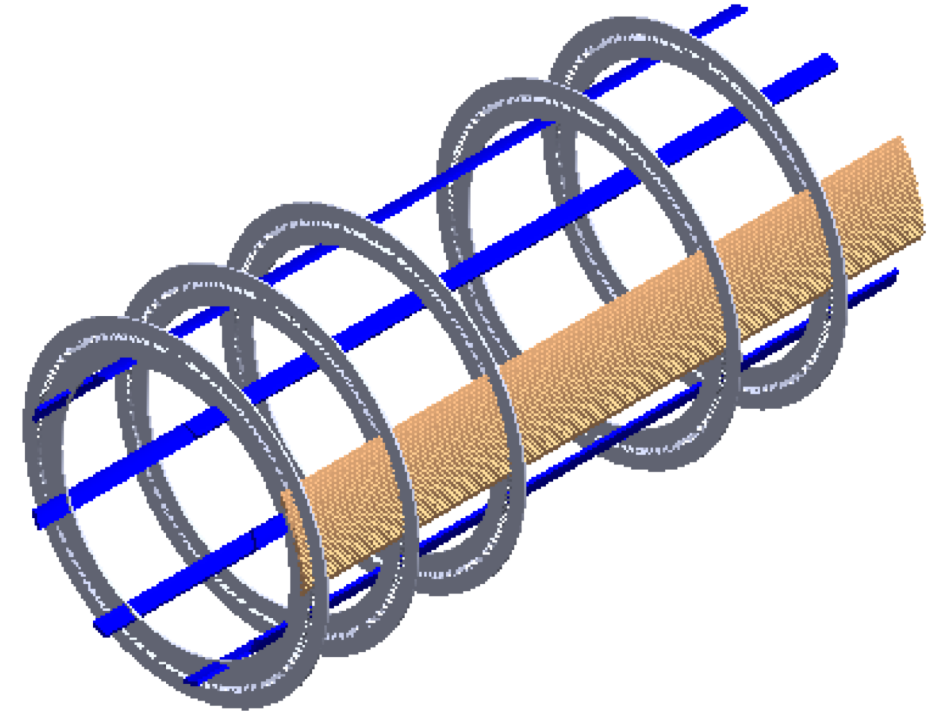


- 144 staves of 2.7m length



Plan for the 30 arc length TOF structure

- BTOF Design & manufacture an arc section in terms of mechanically and dimensionally correct staves
 - 12 staves total, 2.7 m long
 - Only 1-2 would be fully functional
 - All staves include “cooling” connectors at ends to study service routing and supports (temp and perm)
- Full sized engagement rings, not just 30 degree
 - Allows to study supporting inner detectors, aka SVT
 - Allows to study MPGD mounting
 - Integration and deflection/loading tests
- Updates on thermal load which drives in the end the support design for thermal performance
 - Already discussed in previous session...follow-ups needed

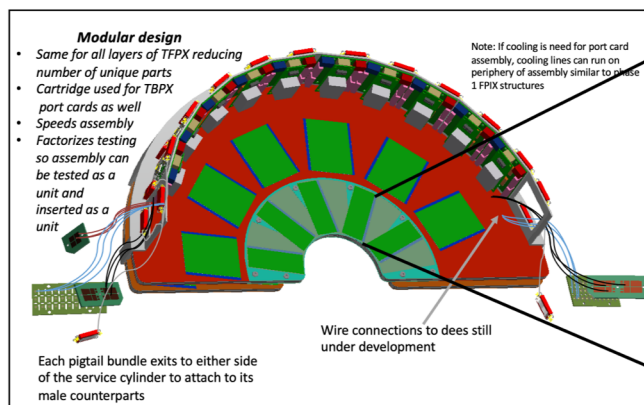
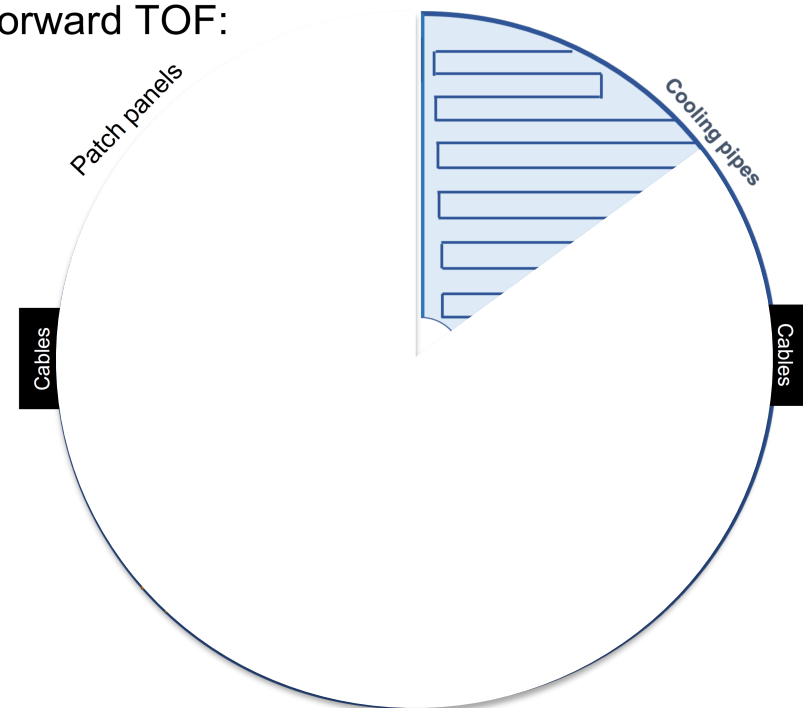




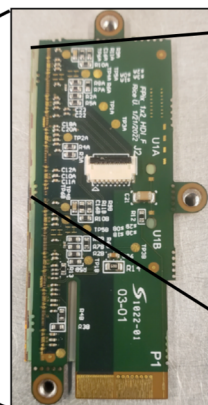
Plan for the 30 arc length TOF structure

- FTOF 1-few “wedges” of FTOF disc
 - Designing for 13.6 kW, but not up-to-date
 - Again include a full 360 diameter ring to look at attachment to larger global CF supports
 - Also allows to offset cards / electronics to outer perimeter
 - Service routing & cooling
 - At least 1 wedge fully functioning in terms of cooling

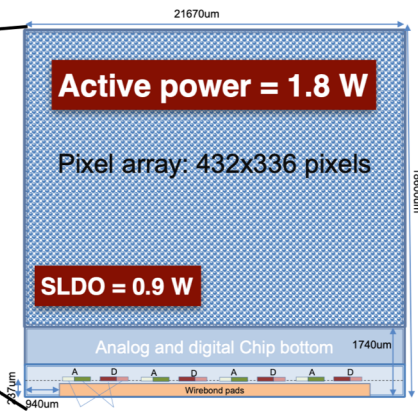
Forward TOF:



TFPX Cartridge housing Dee

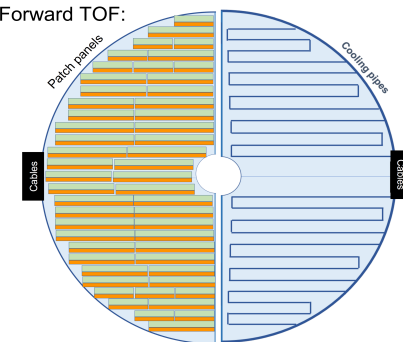


1x2 CMS-ROC module HDI over ROC



Dissipation in one Readout Chip

Forward TOF:



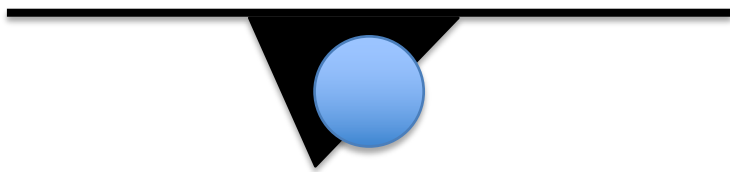


Material budget

- Started to collect information and optimizing for lowest X0
- Can converge fast once accurate inputs, allows to look at options and realize material savings
- Lots of experience to draw from: CMS, Alice, ATLAS, etc.
- Alternative designs possible, but consequences for global supports

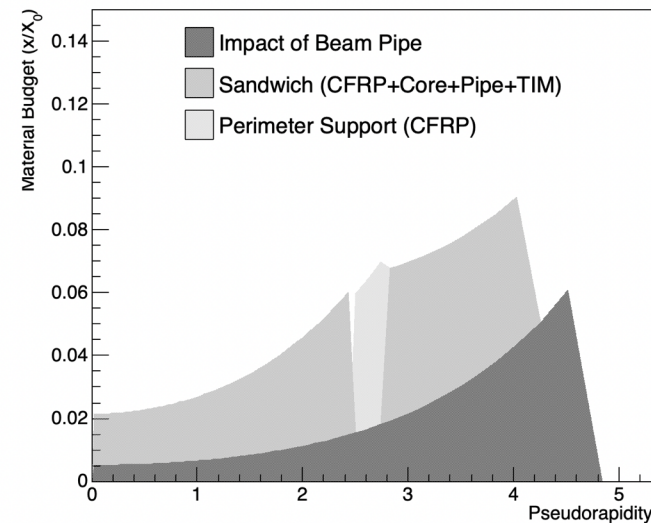
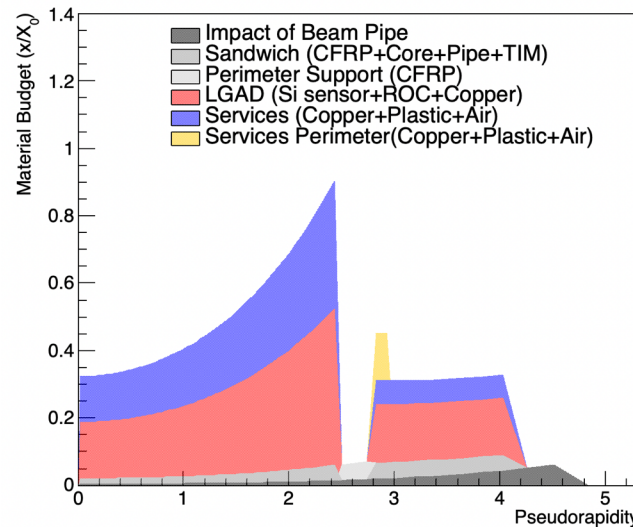
CMS tilted barrel

Al-CF triangle + pipe and 5-ply highly thermally conductive CF



Caveats:

- **No need to be scared, below is TOF/EIC geometry but CMS pixel assumptions for sensors and supports**
- **Means: global offset of being (much) higher**
- **Discussion started to run this with proper inputs**





Schedule for next ~ 12 months

- Schedule not up-to-date but gives a rough idea
- Pre-production is 3 months for staves, 6 months for barrel and another 3 months for global supports
- Enough time for changes and if need-be to accelerate

TOF LGAD endcap (for now standard sandwich structure)			
Milestones	Plan start	Duration	
Pre-production & Prototype, earliest for 1st wedge available	9/3/25	4	
Finalize loads/BCs	1/1/26	0.5	
Current Design Review	1/16/26	0.5	
Final FEA & Coolant pipe layout	1/31/26	0.5	
Tool Preparation & Machining	2/15/26	1	
Practice Layup	3/17/26	0.25	
Final Manufacturing FEA	3/24/26	1	
3D print sub-parts	4/23/26	1	
Final adjustments to manufacturing	5/23/26	1	
First wedge layup	6/22/26	1	
First wedge part prep	7/22/26	0.25	
Tool Preparation & Machining	7/30/26	1	
Remaining wedges layup	8/29/26	2	
Remaining wedges	10/28/26	2	
Endcap assembly	12/27/26	2	
QA/QC + loading	2/25/27	1	
Total	3/27/27	19	

TOF LGAD staves (cost savings via NCKU machine shop possible)			
Milestones	Plan start	Duration	
Pre-production & Prototype, earliest for final stave available	1/1/25	3	
Finalize design & choice	4/1/25	2	
Purchase Consumables	5/31/25	0.5	
Practice Layup	6/15/25	0.5	
QA/QC	6/30/25	0.25	
Layups 1 to 72	7/7/25	2	
Layups 72 to 144	9/5/25	2	
Layups > 144 (spares)	11/4/25	2	
Pipe preparation	1/3/26	2	
Assembly/Gluing	3/4/26	2	
QA/QC	5/3/26	0.75	
Total	5/26/26	17	



Summary & Discussion

- Expect pick-up of pace for the pre-production of TOF structures

- For global mechanics need detailed FEAs: started
 - Closely connected to mechanics work in TOF LGAD (barrel and endcap)
 - Integrate and develop global mechanics for SVT to connect to
 - Establish hierarchy of supporting structure, i.e. which system supports whom
 - Establish better understanding of service masses and space, routing
 - General envelope's need to be refined

- Next high priority near time goals:
 - Make animation of the insertion with updated CADs for better understanding
 - Consistent FEA to understand EPIC inner detector supports better and optimize to lower mass solution where ever possible

- More tomorrow in SVT mechanics session...

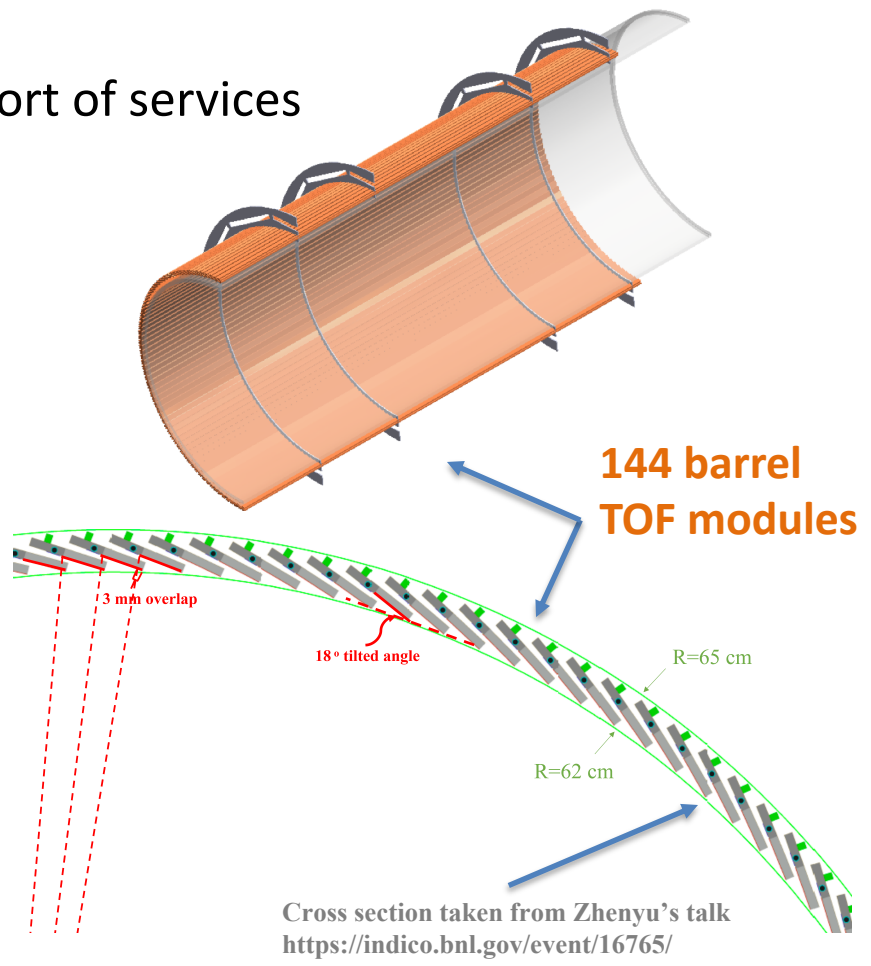
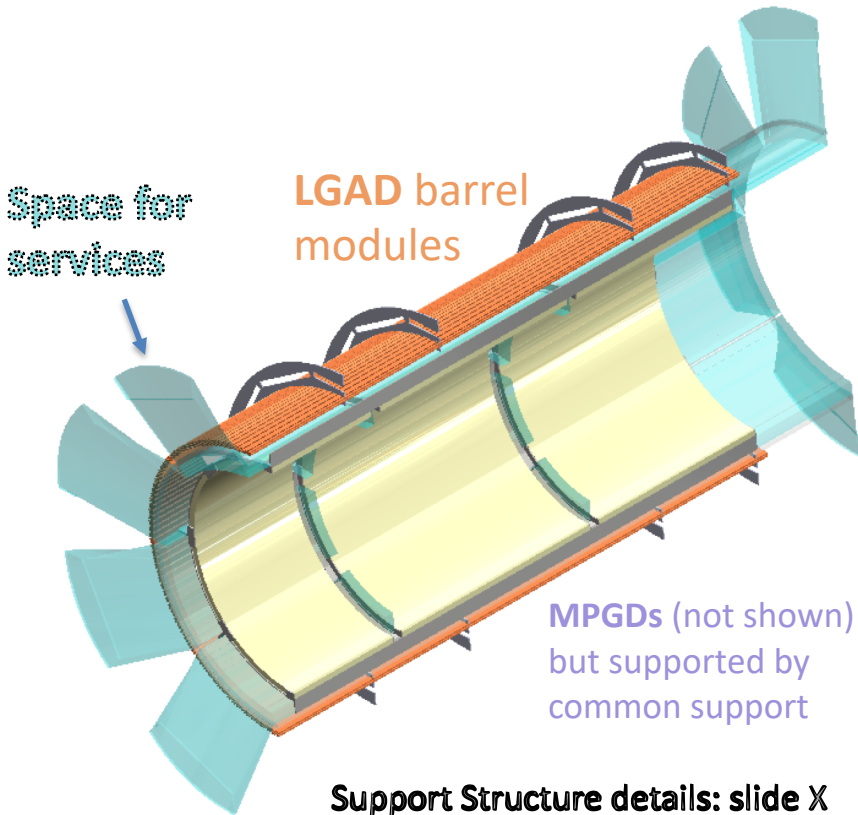
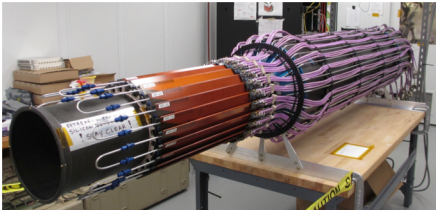


Backup



Barrel TOF

- Use similar concept of STAR IST (starting point)
- LGADs supported by “long staves”, next slide
- Common support structure
 - Barrel TOF, MPGDs, space & support of services





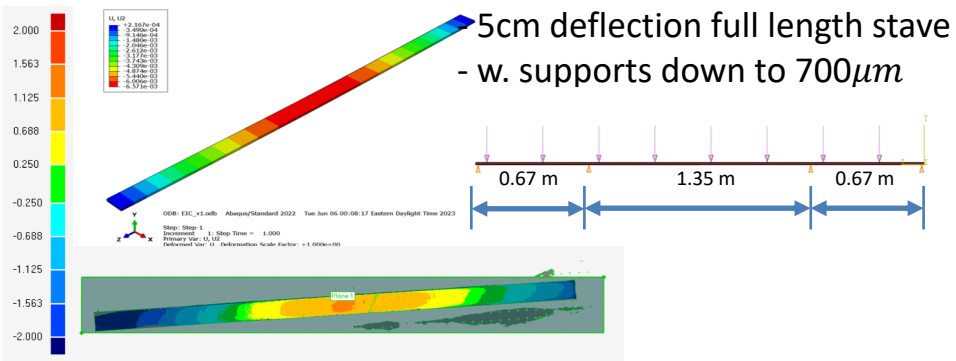
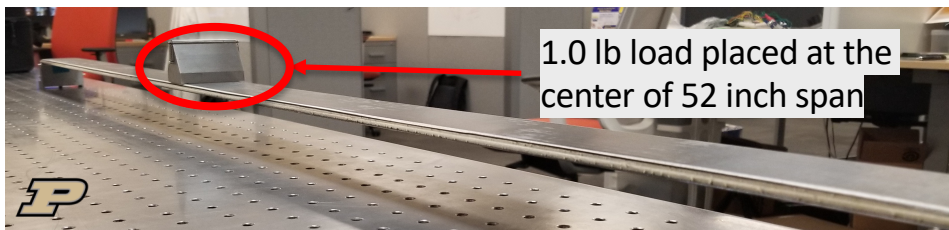
Barrel TOF

○ Total of 144 barrel TOF modules

- 9216 sensors, 18,432 ASICs, 2.4 M channels
- Mass ~70kg and 4kW heat load

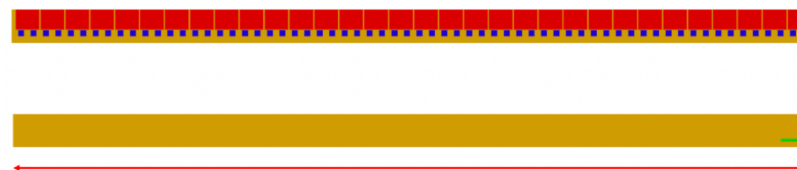
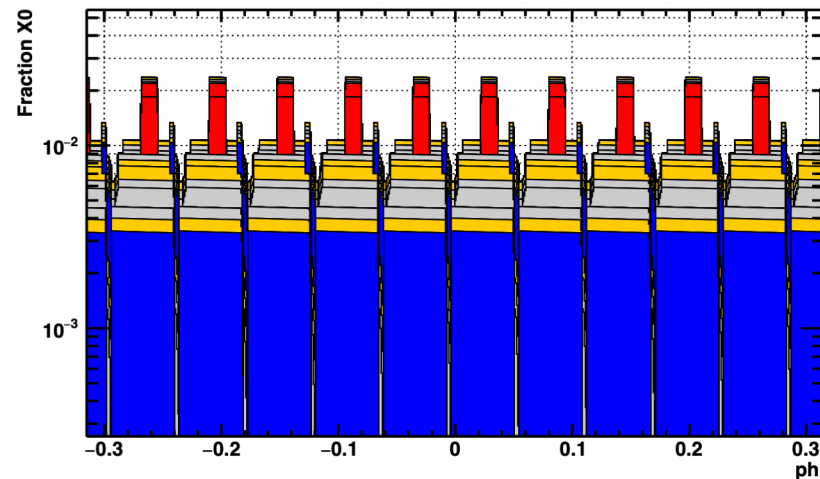
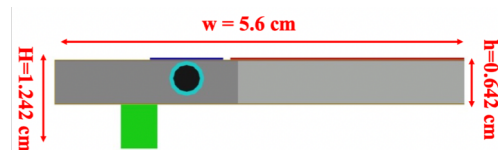
○ 1st Preliminary stave structure made

- FEA and prototype for full length
- Deflection of 700 micron – further optimization possible



Unit: mm
Top down view of the loaded stave.

- AC-LGAD sensor
- Frontend ASICs
- Carbon foam+ Carbon honeycomb+ CF skins
- Al cooling tube
- Liquid coolant
- Kapton PCB
- Connector



“Long stave” length ~ 2.4m

From Zhenyu’s talk
<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/16765/>



Support structure for barrel TOF

○ **Concept idea of joined mechanics structure for barrel TOF, inner & outer MPGD layers, services, and even tracker**

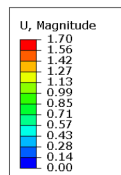
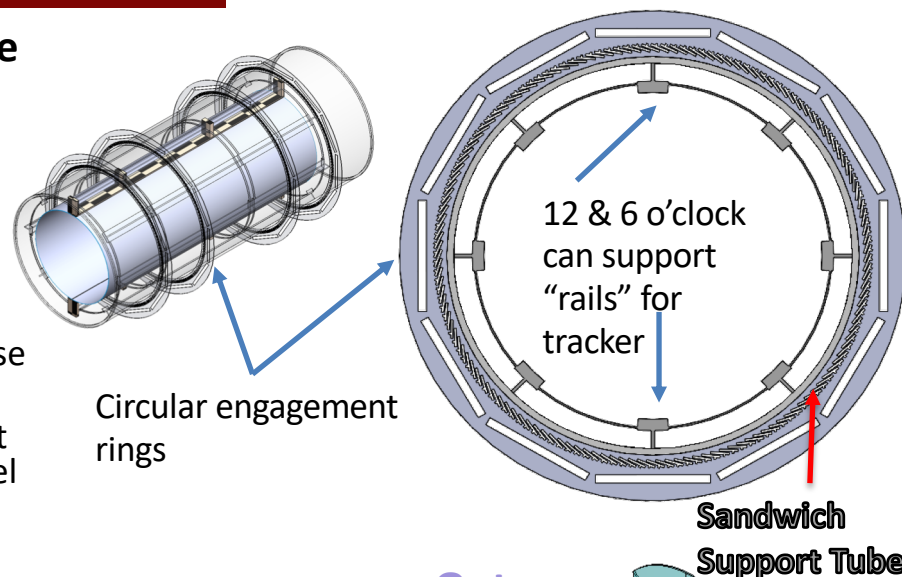
- 1+8+1 mm sandwich composite structure w "end-rings" to support beam pipe during installation & integration

○ **Integration**

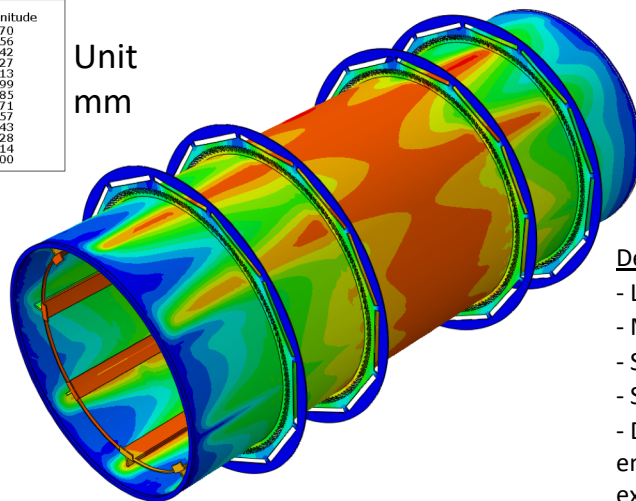
- Move/Place end cap TOF closer to dRICH to ease access to inner tracking volume
- "Rail" system (internal and external) to support half-cylinders for tracker installation after barrel TOF system is in place

○ **First preliminary FEAs for this design**

- 1.7mm deflection and weak regions at engagement rings – needs to be optimized!

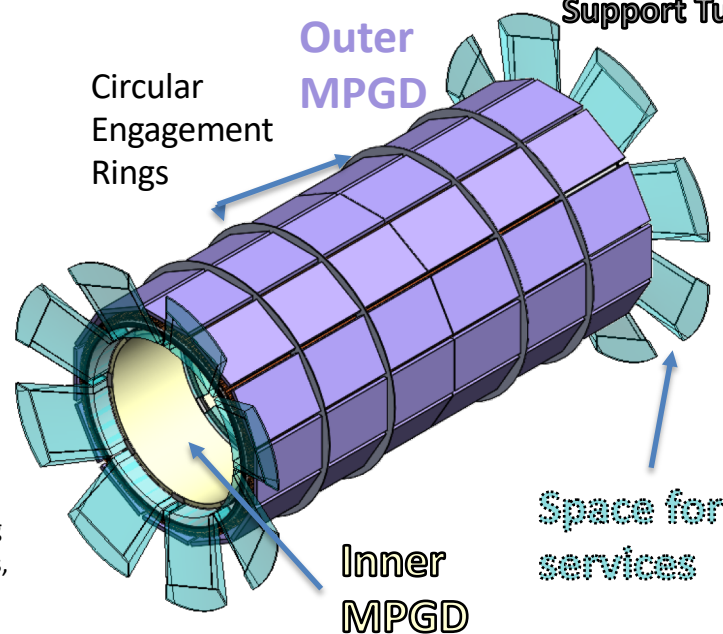


Unit mm



Details:

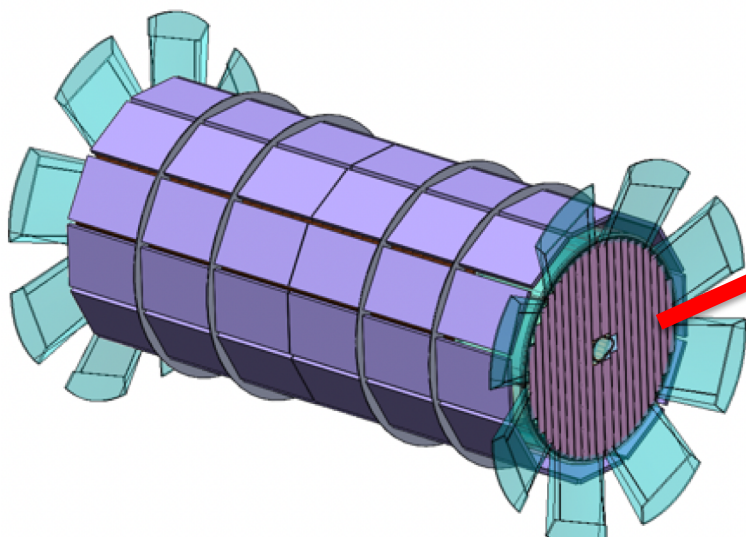
- LGADs = 70 kg
- MPGDs = 24 + 24 kg
- Silicone tracker = 10 kg
- Services (smeared) = 100 kg
- Designed engagement rings, end rings following CMS experience at Purdue



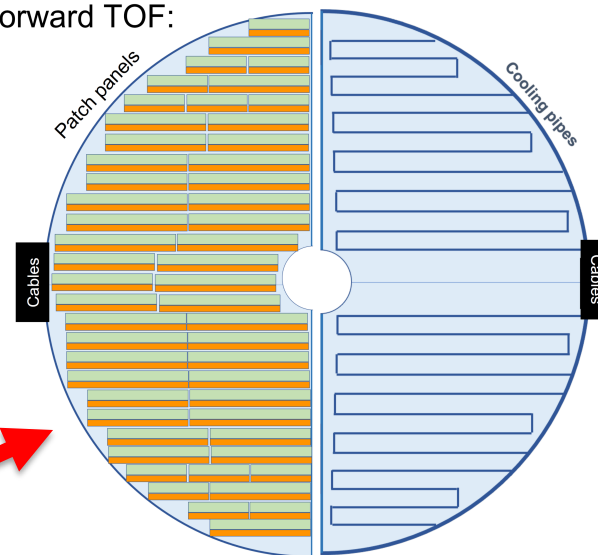


Endcap TOF

- Endcap TOF supported by common structure supporting barrel TOF system
- Under study: Integration & access to tracking volume eased if endcap TOF moved in front of dRICH



Forward TOF:



From the talk of Wei Li
<https://indico.bnl.gov/event/16742/>

Power Budget

	Endcap TOF [kW]
Sensors	0.6
ASIC	8.5
DC-DC	3.5
IpGBT, VTRx+, SCA	0.5
Power cables	0.5
Total	13.6

- “Clam shells” or DEEs
 - Convenient for installation/maintenance
 - Each is patched by TOF modules (one or more types) on both faces
 - No backward TOF