

Изучение свойств строу-трубок и определение  
требований к считывающей электронике

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on behalf of the Straw Tracker Team

- Mechanics and geometry (not covered here) - ongoing
- Prototyping - ongoing
- Lab and testbeam measurements - ongoing
  - + establishing approaches for:
    - Prototype quality control - initiated
    - Electrical connections - initiated
  - Defining parameters of the readout electronics - ongoing
- Garfield/LTSpice simulation studies - well developed
  - Validation with lab/testbeam measurements with the known electronics
  - Prediction of the readout performance for various readout options
  - Prediction for various operation conditions (field, particle momentum, angle)
- Defining requirements and conceptual design of the readout electronics - ongoing
  - Stage2 - fast, optional charge measurements
  - Stage1 - ~10 times lower max occupancy, good charge measurements
- Realistic simulation of the tracker response in SPDroot - initiated
  - Realistic parametrization based on Garfield/LTSpice - started
  - Implementing realistic noise, finite TDC/ADC, finite dynamic range - scheduled
  - Pattern recognition also with realistic noise - needed...

# prototyping

## Combined prototype

Straw and wire diameters:

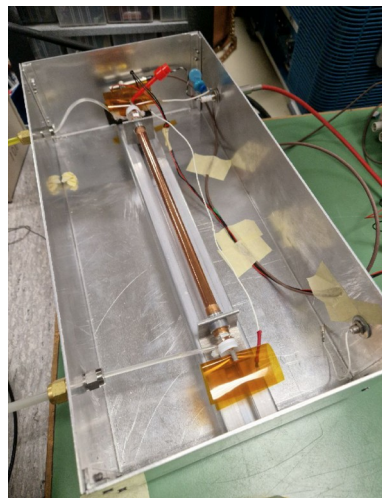
20mm / 30um : SHiP type

10mm / 30um : SPD type

5mm / 20um :

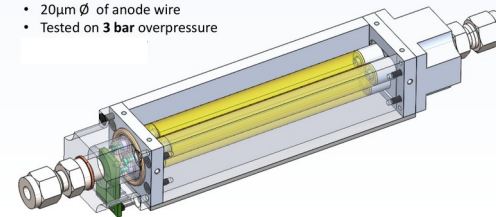
NA62 upgrade (Cu/Au coating)

DUNE (Al metallisation)



## Various single straw or small assembly setups

- 3x straw tubes
- $\varnothing$  10mm, 120mm length
- 20 $\mu$ m  $\varnothing$  of anode wire
- Tested on 3 bar overpressure



Laboratory tests with sources:

- Gas gain measurements
- Tests with different custom readout
- Tests with different gas mixtures

## Further prototypes

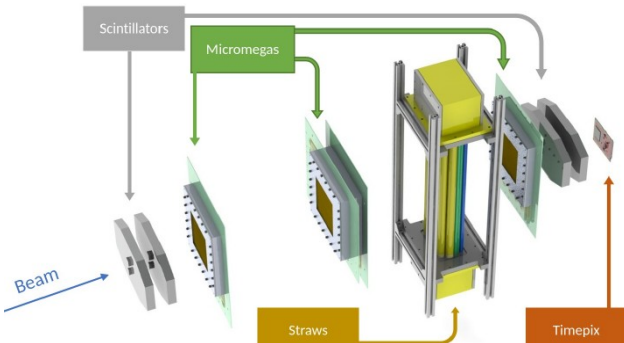
- Single straw max length for lab tests
- Assembly with a stereo-angle? Which angle??

- Dedicated small size prototype for testbeam measurements and alignment control studies
- Good for x-check with existing measurements (NA62, SHiP)
- Tests of x-talks, impedance measurements etc
- Lessons learned
  - Calibration/termination connector from opposite side
  - ....

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# SPS testbeam measurements

## setup-23



## goals

- Precise measurement of the spatial resolution for different readout parameters (gas and electronics gain, thresholds, pressure,...)
- Validation of the simulation results
- Evaluation of the realistic tracker parameters (noise, cross-talks)
- Evaluation of the charge measurements performance (MIP) with the available electronics
  - Direct charge measurements (VMM3, equivalent number of bits~8)
  - Time-over-threshold measurements (Tiger)
- Developing a set of measurements for the prototype quality control

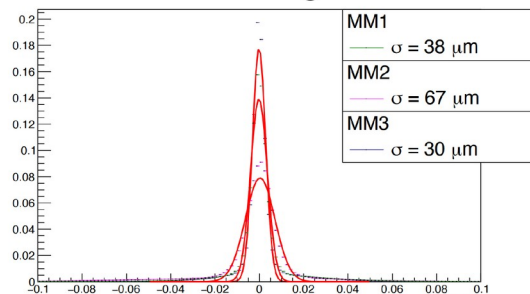
### Reference tracking:

- MM detectors (250  $\mu\text{m}$ ) + Tiger readout (Torino University)
- Timepix4 – 50 $\mu\text{m}$  x 50 $\mu\text{m}$

### Under the test: a combined straw tracker prototype with the Tiger and mu2e (VMM3) readouts

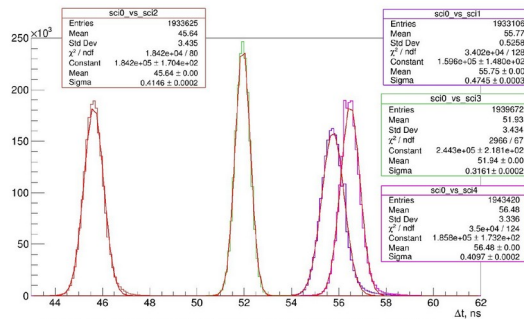
Good data taking with MM+straw and success in integrating the Timepix4

### Reference tracking -- residuals



Significant improvement wrt TB22 due to careful MM alignment: maximal sigma of 67 $\mu\text{m}$  instead of ~100 $\mu\text{m}$

### Time resolution -- T0



Significant improvement wrt TB22: four scintillators with adjusted thresholds/delays each with sigma ~ 400/1.4 ps wrt ~1ns in 2022

Reference tracking (MM only): **better than 70  $\mu\text{m}$**

work on adding the timepix layer in the analysis is ongoing

Reference time (T0): **better than ~300 ps**

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# Preliminary results (work in progress)

# SPS testbeam measurements

## Noise studies (work in progress)

Andrey

$\sigma_T$  from the fit associated with Time resolution. The idea is to obtain the **Spatial** resolution from the **Time** resolution

$$\sigma_U = \frac{\sigma_T}{|f'(U)|}$$

Dima

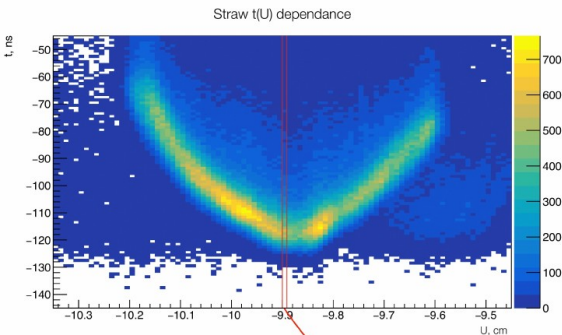
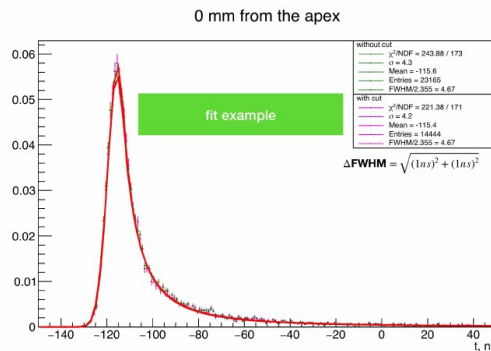
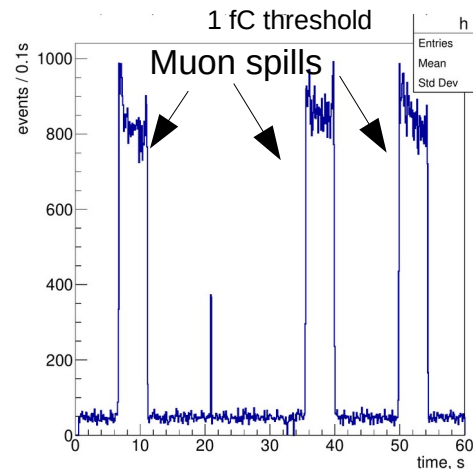
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Sigma vs Threshold

Garfield/LTSpice

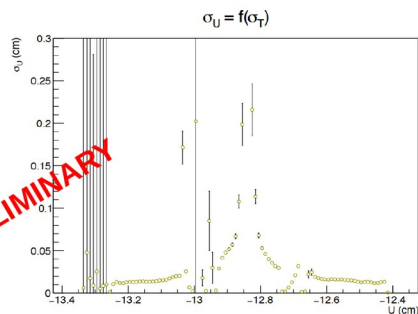
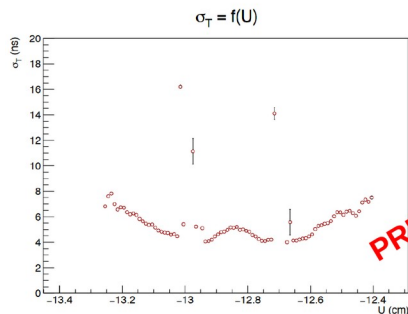
no noise

1 fC



Tiger readout

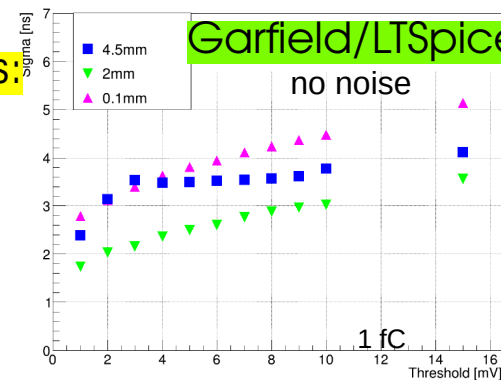
10mm Straw Resolution



PRELIMINARY

Resolution for different thresholds:

- Resolution vs threshold - data available for VMM3 and Tiger - analysis ongoing
- Evaluation of the expected thresholds for 100 Hz noise - ongoing
- Simulation validation with the testbeam results - ongoing



1. The best time 'resolution' is about **4 ns**!
2. The weighted mean of Coordinate resolution distribution is **150 μm**!

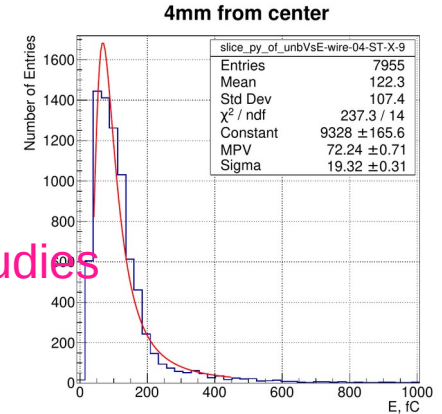
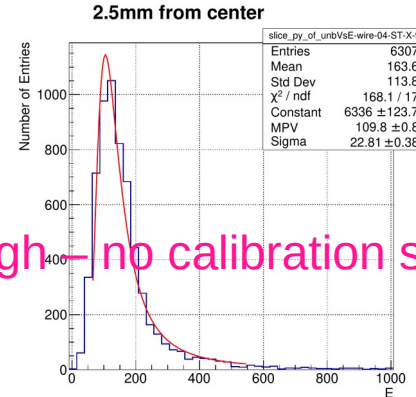
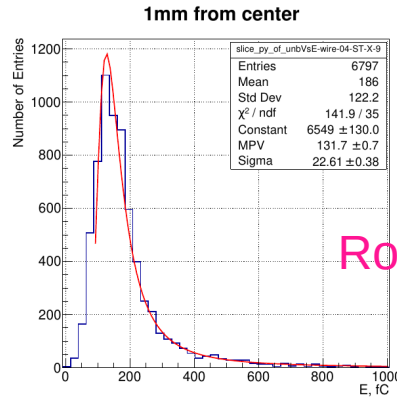
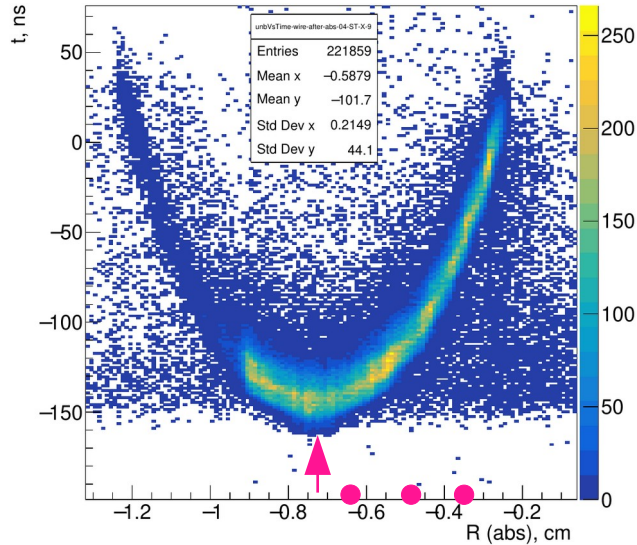
# Preliminary results (work in progress)

# SPS testbeam measurements

Mu2e: 3mV/fC, 25ns peak time, 5mV thr

Dima

Mu2e: 0.5mV/fC, 200ns peak time, 5mV thr



Rough – no calibration studies

Rough selection, quick estimate:  
**MPV: 12.0-13.5 fC/mm – 10% deviation**  
**sigma/MPV: 27-17 %**

More dedicated analysis is expected soon  
 (Artem)

Rough x-check: Ar at 18 degC and 1 bara:  $\rho \sim 1.7 \text{ e-3 g/cm}^3$   
**MIP**  $SP[\text{MeVcm}^2/\text{g}] = dE/dx/\rho \sim O(1) \text{ MeV}/1.7\text{e-3/cm} \sim \text{keV/cm}$   
 Charge uncertainty (w/o electronics):

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_Q}{Q}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_{n_0}}{n_0}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{n_0} \left(\frac{\sigma_{A_{\text{typical}}}}{A_{\text{typical}}}\right)^2$$

Prim charge                      Gain fluct (Polya)

Ionization   Fano   par from Polya, F, b<1 (F, b~0.5)

$$\frac{\sigma_Q}{Q} = \sqrt{\frac{W(F+b)}{E}} \quad E - \text{energy loss}$$

Largest rel error:  $\text{sqrt}(2*26 \text{ eV}/1\text{keV}) = \text{sqrt}(5)*0.1 = 0.22$   
 If  $b=0.5, F(\text{Ar})=0.2 \Rightarrow 0.13$

**BUT: no electronics, no non-uniformities**  
**BUT: the larger energy loss, the less fluctuations**

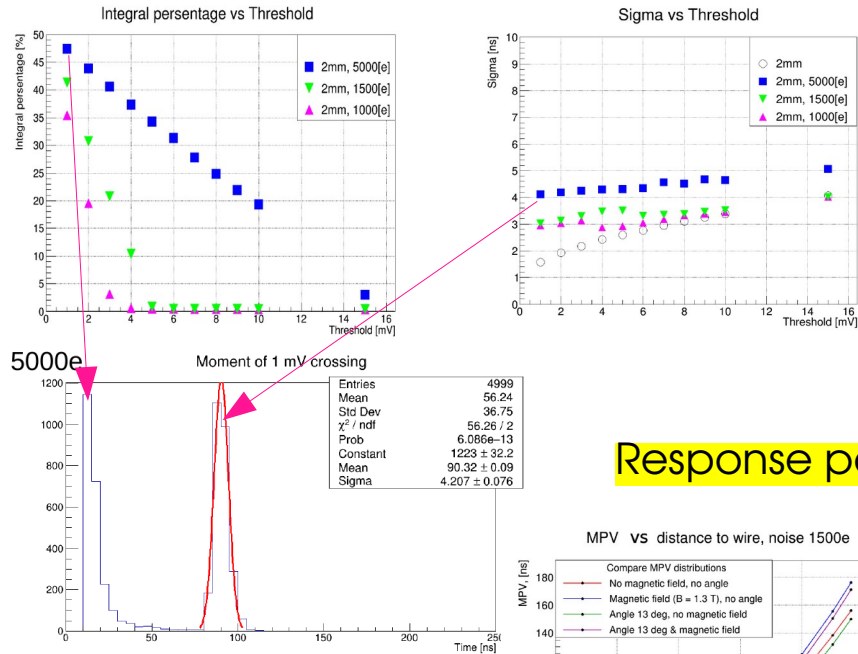


# Garfield/LTSpice

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- Garfield – some fixes is needed (gain)
  - communication with the developers
  - X-checks with lab measurements
- LTSpice
  - Models of VMM3, Tiger
  - Validation with TB data
- Accounting for noise
- Next steps:
  - => input to SPDrout (together with digitization, dynamic range etc)
  - => ready for modelling custom readout (further development)

## Noise studies, VMM3



## Response parametrization, VMM3

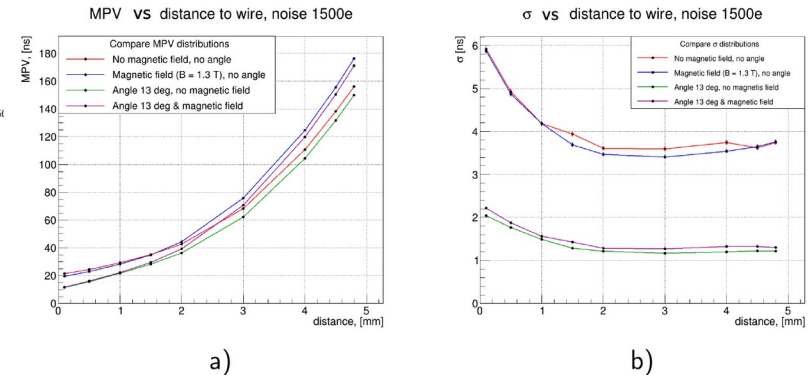
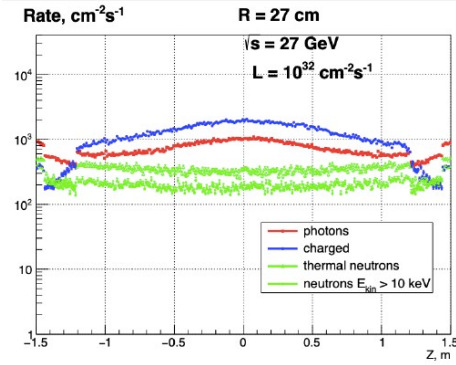


Рис. 13: (а) Зависимость MPV (ns) и (б)  $\sigma$  (ns) временных распределений от расстояния между треком и анодом проволокой.

# Readout electronics concept

## Our requirements

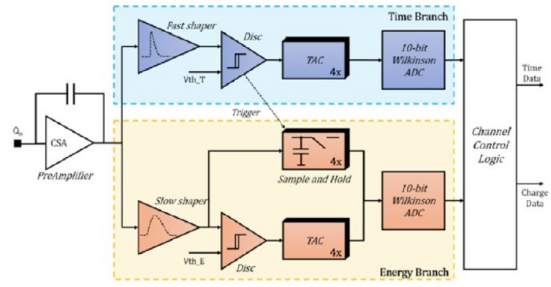
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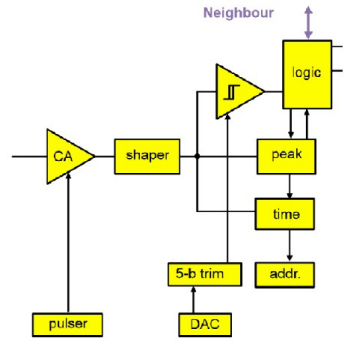
Minor update still expected  
 Stage2 : > 200kHz  
 Stage1 : factor ~0.1

## “Existing” ASICs

TIGER Architecture



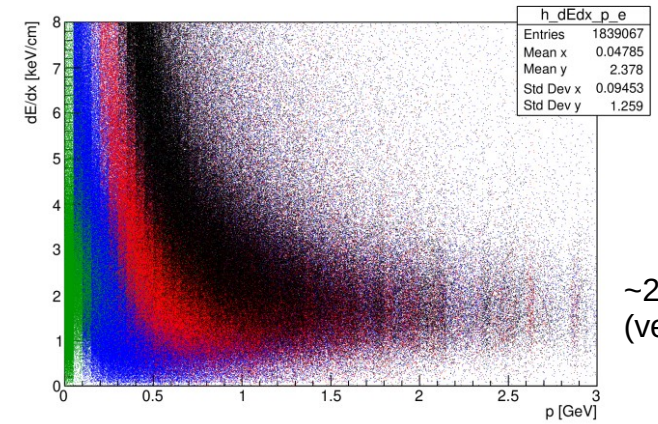
VMM3 Architecture



	VMM3	TIGER
Number of channels	64	64
Clock frequency	10...80 MHz	160...200 MHz
Input capacitance	<300 pF	<100 pF
Dynamic range	Linearity within $\pm 2\%$ up to 2 pC	50 fC
Gain	0.5, 1, 3, 6, 9, 12, 16 mV/fC	12 mV/fC
ENC (energy branch)	<3000	<1500
TDC binning	~1 ns	50 ps
Maximum event rate	140 kHz/ch	60 kHz/ch
Consumption	15 mW/ch	12 mW/ch

## dE/dx vs p

Ruslan Akhunzyanov



~200 fC/cm  
 (very roughly)



# Readout electronics concept

## Other (non-SPD) developments

Dune:

- triggerless
- identical requirements for time resolution
- similar requirements to charge measurements
- significantly lower bandwidth (<kHz)

Torino (post-Tiger):

- triggerless
- charge measurements adopted for MWPC/straws
- worse time resolution

Other options:

- Time-Over-Threshold for charge measurements?

Though no direct match, the experience of the ongoing R&Ds is useful

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## Possible solution:

Alexandr Solin

Параметры быстрого, временного канала		
Время формирования быстрого канала, нс	6÷10	
Разрешение временного канала, нс	1	
Регулировка порога дискриминатора, фК	0.5÷15	
ENC (r.m.s.), e Cd=60 пФ	<1000	
Временное окно ТАС, нс	500÷5000	
Параметры медленного, амплитудного канала		
Коэффициент преобразования медленного канала, мВ/фК	straw 1/3	micromegas 3/6/9
Время формирования медленного канала, нс	straw 75/150	micromegas 75/150/250
Ширина сигнала по основанию, нс	300/600	300/600/1000
Порядок формирователя	4	
Разрядность АЦП, бит	10	
ENC (r.m.s.), e Cd=60 пФ	<1000	

Параметры детектора	
Диапазон входных зарядов, фК	+/(0÷1000)
Емкость straw детектора, пФ	20÷100
Загрузка на канал, кГц	150
Режим работы	Бестриггерный

Model exists

- can be used in Garfield/LTSpice

Expected to be designed by April next year

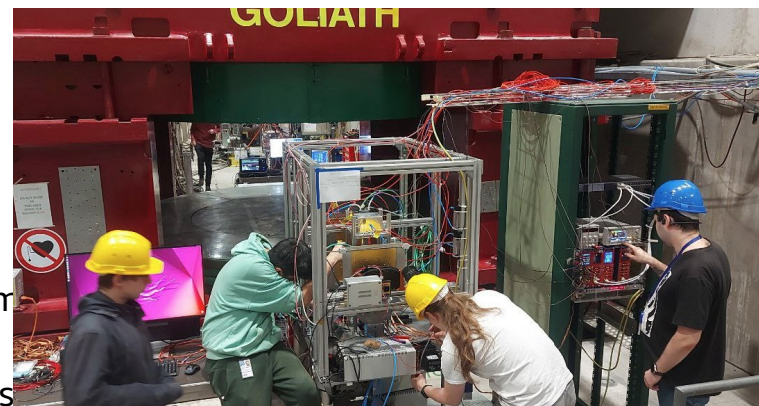
# Summary

Complimentary studies are ongoing:

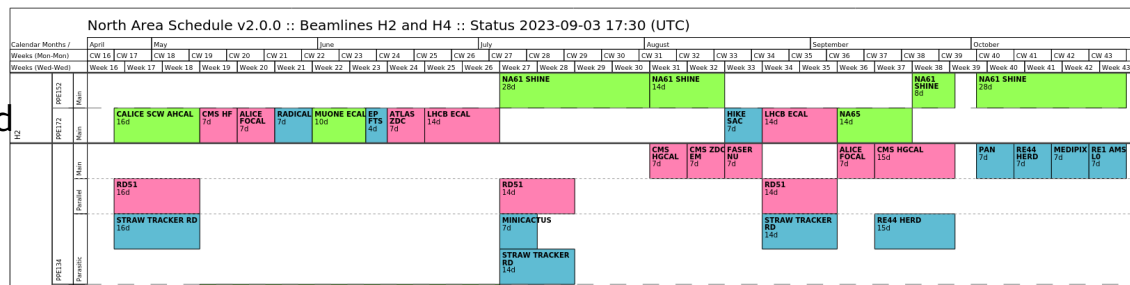
- lab and testbeam measurements
- Garfield/LTSpice simulation
- development of the readout concept

Advanced test setup is developed, combining up to three independent DAQ systems synchronized for offline merging and providing the good reference time (~300 ps) and spatial (better than 70 um even without the timepix layer) resolutions.

A significant part of the measurements is done during the scheduled SPS test beam periods (3x2 week of intense muon beam) - including the possibility to use dedicated electronics (VMM3, Tiger, Timepix4). Extra-time at the beam dump gives possibility for debugging + slow remote data taking



Measurements dedicated to PID  $E(h) < \text{GeV}$  are considered to be done next year with the PS beam. Possibility to use synchrocyclotron beam at PNPI is also considered.



Lack of experienced manpower!

But a lot of experience is being gained by young colleagues involved in R&D

Understanding the influence of the measured expected straw+readout performance on the track charge reconstruction requires support with simulation studies

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