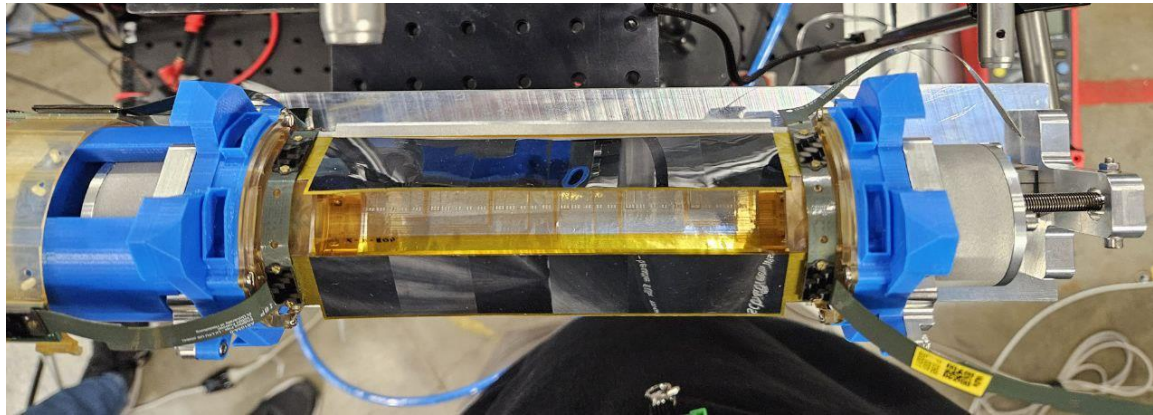




# Production and Qualification of the Mu3e Vertex Detector

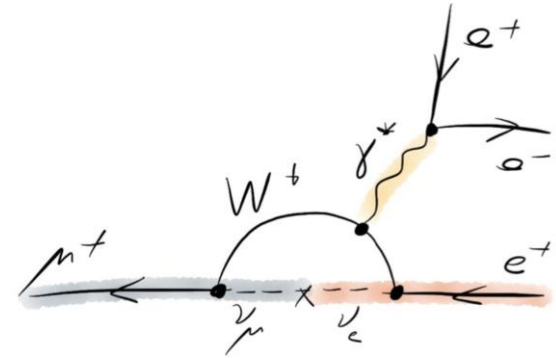


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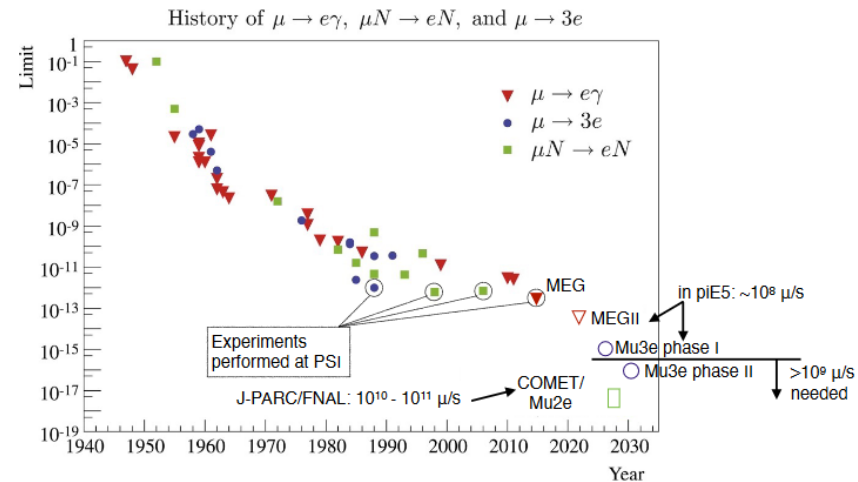
# Probing the standard model with Mu3e

- Mu3e is a high-precision experiment at Paul Scherrer Institut (PSI) in Switzerland
- Search for the Charged LFV decay  $\mu \rightarrow eee$ 
  - Highly suppressed in the SM  $BR(< 10^{-54})$ 
    - Via neutrino mixing
  - Best current upper limit  $\mu \rightarrow eee \approx 10^{-12}$  @90%C.L. from SINDRUM in 1988



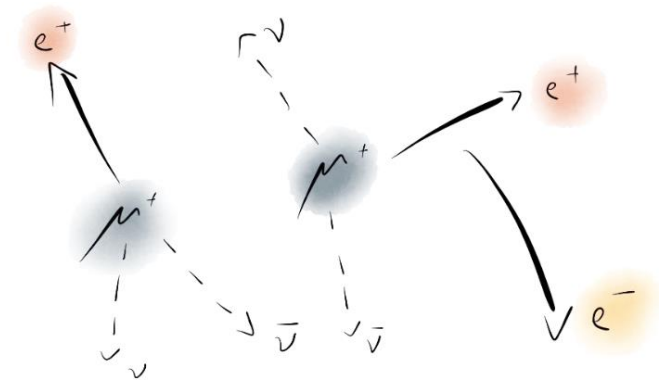
Standard model decay via neutrino mixing

- **Goal of Mu3e**
  - Improve limit by 3 to 4 orders of magnitude
  - $BR(\mu \rightarrow eee \approx 10^{-15})$  in phase I (2025+2026)
  - $BR(\mu \rightarrow eee \approx 10^{-16})$  in phase II (2029+)



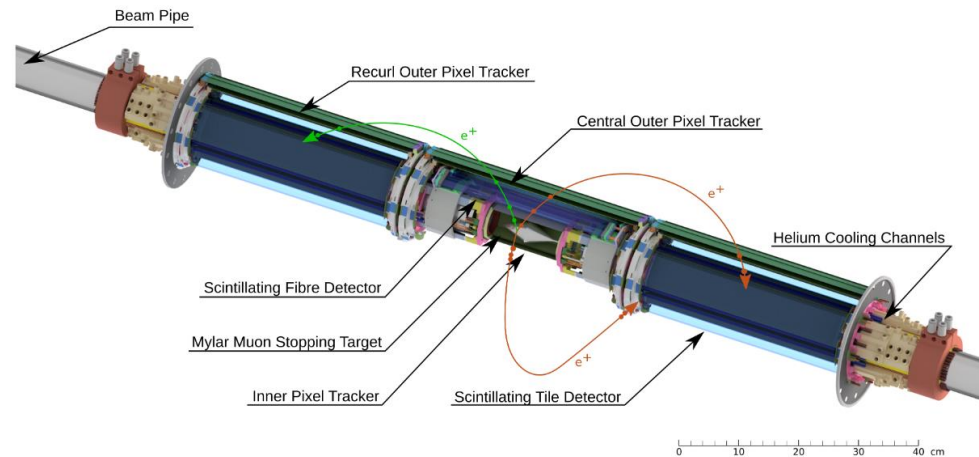
## Experimental challenges

- Low momentum particles
    - Muons decay at rest
      - Electron/Positron momenta  $< 53\text{MeV}/c$
  - Momentum resolution limited by multiple Coulomb scattering
  - Accidental background in signal region must be minimized
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- Low material budget
  - High granularity and fast processing
  - Excellent momentum resolution
  - Good timing (order of 100 ps) and vertex resolution ( $\approx 0.5\text{ mm}$ )



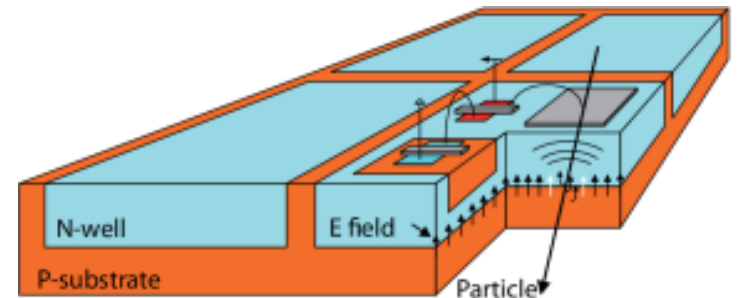
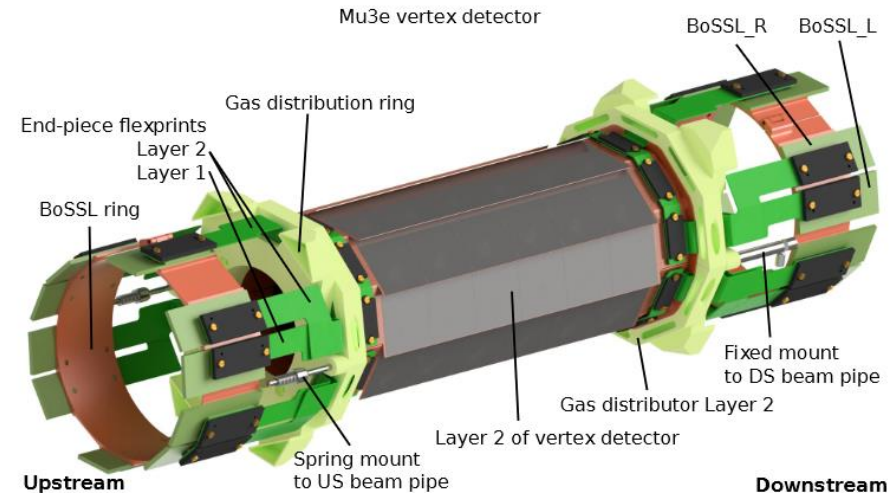
## The Mu3e detector

- Hollow double cone stopping target
- Homogeneous solenoidal magnetic field
- 4 layers of pixel sensors
  - Inner two layers for vertexing
  - Pixel recurl stations for optimal momentum resolution and acceptance
- Scintillating fibres and tiles for precise timing measurements
- High rates  $10^8$  muon decays per second)
- Expected data rate of up to 100GBit/s

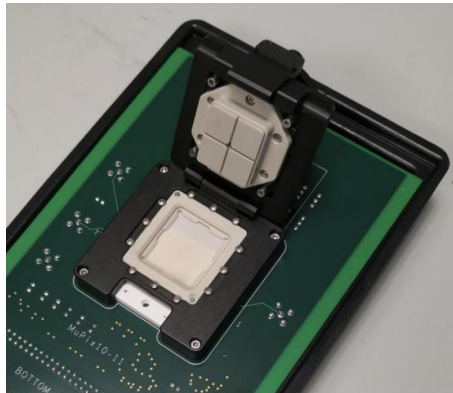


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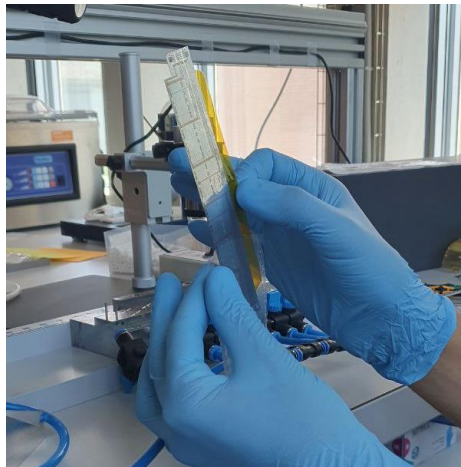
- Two layers of 50 $\mu$ m thin Mupix 11 pixel sensors
  - High-Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor (HV-MAPS)
  - Detection and Readout combined in one chip
  - Fully digital 1.25Gbit/s LVDS output
  - 99% efficiency with less than 20ns time resolution
- Mechanical support
  - Aluminized Kapton foils HDI
  - Sensors glued on foils + spTAB for electrical connection
- DAQ to sensor connection via micro-twisted pair cables and other flexes produced with standard processes
- Cooled by gaseous helium



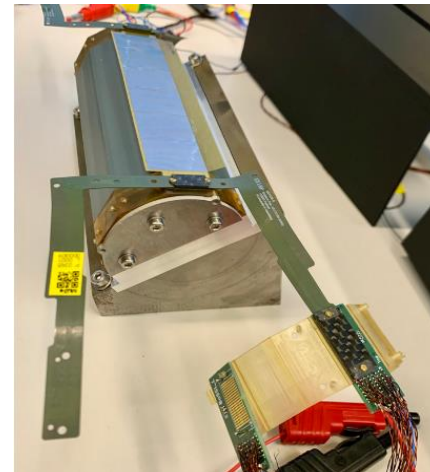
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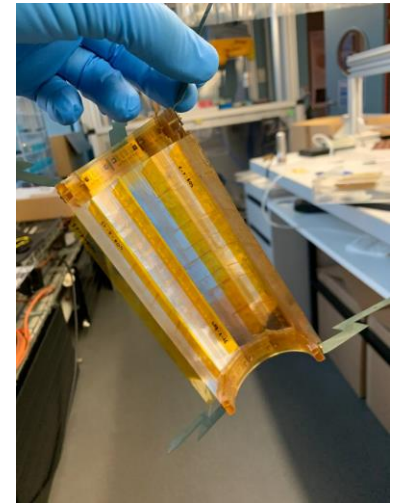
Single Chip QC



Ladder Production



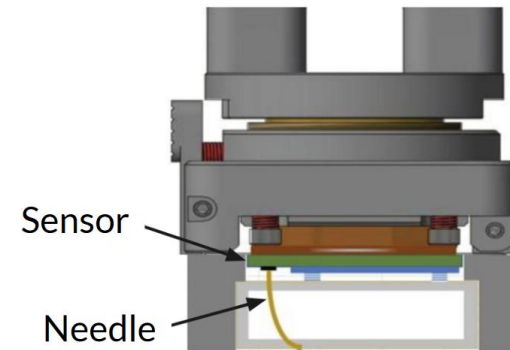
QC of Ladders and  
Services



Module assembly

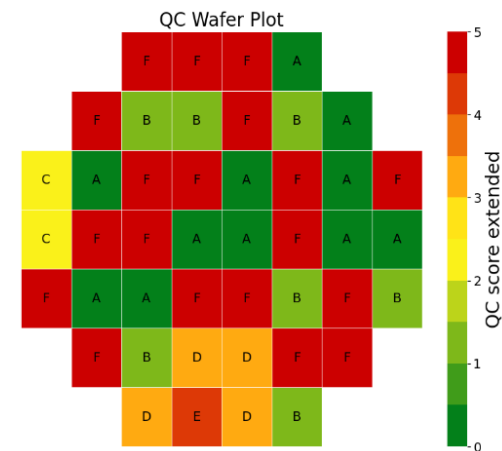
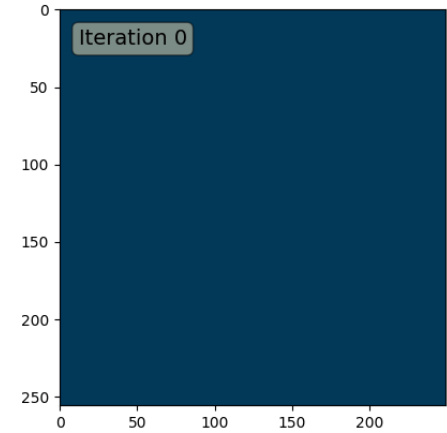
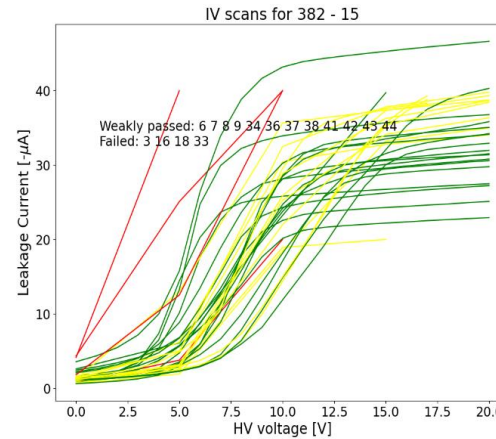
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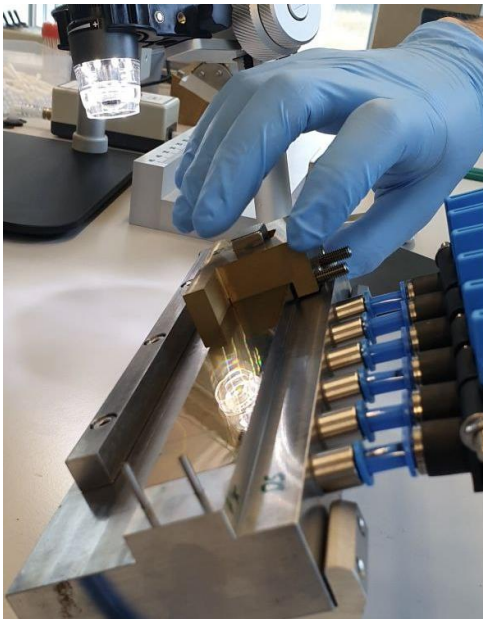
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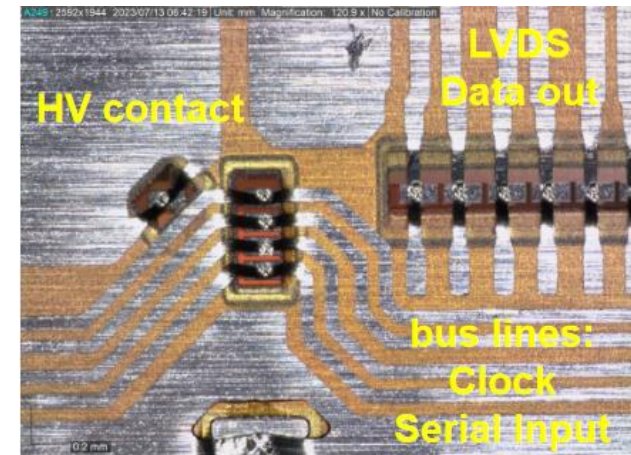
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Manual chip placement



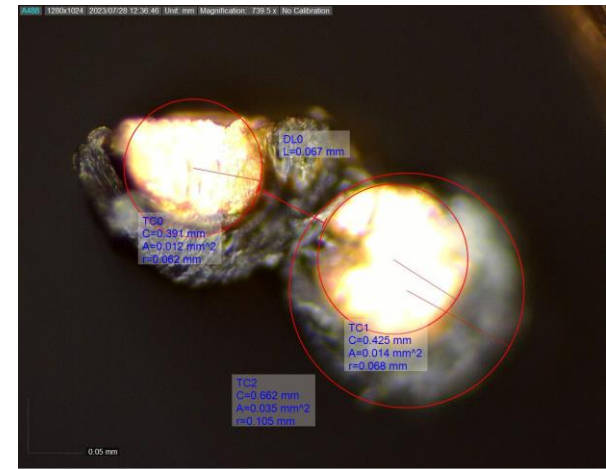
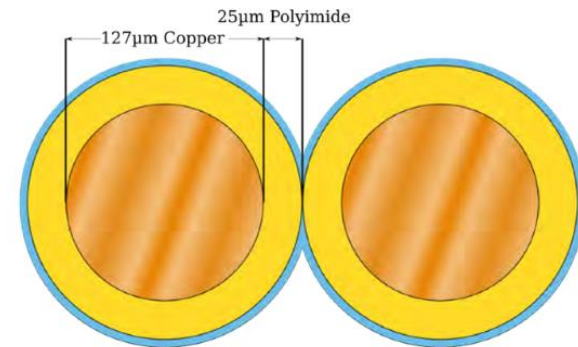
Distribution of the glue on the  
Mupix sensors



spTAB connections from HDI  
to the MuPix chips

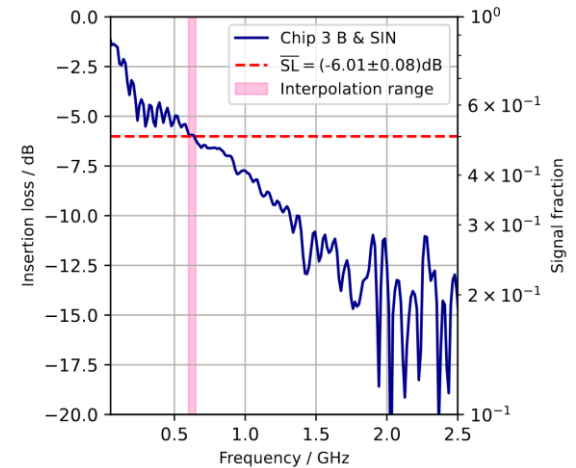
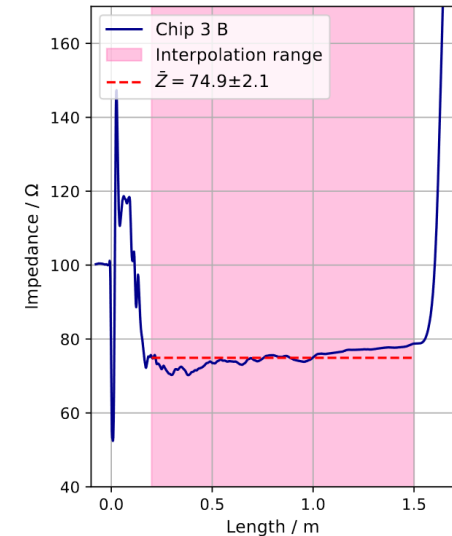
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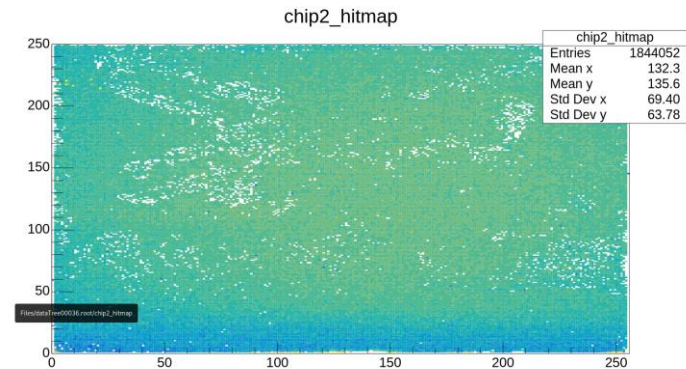
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## Ladder QC

- Ladder placed a 3D printed box
  - Cooled with two fans
  - Shielded with aluminum foil
- Ladder is connected via  $\mu$ TP to the FPGA
  - All connections placed as in the final detector
  - Only DC-DC-converter and HV boxes are replaced with commercial power supplies (Hamegs + Keithleys)
  - Temperature readout through on chip temperature diode
- Similar QC test procedure as for the single chip
  - Additional signal transmission test
  - Final source scan with applied noise masking at a low threshold
- Takes ~6h per ladder
- Goal is to find 18 good working ladders + spares





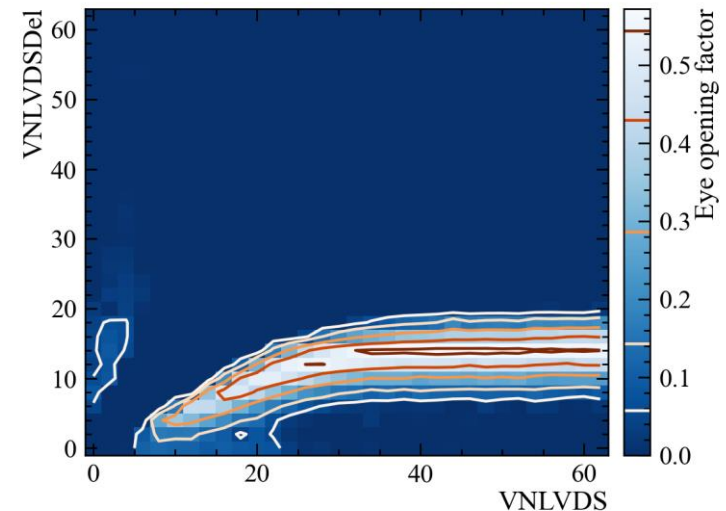
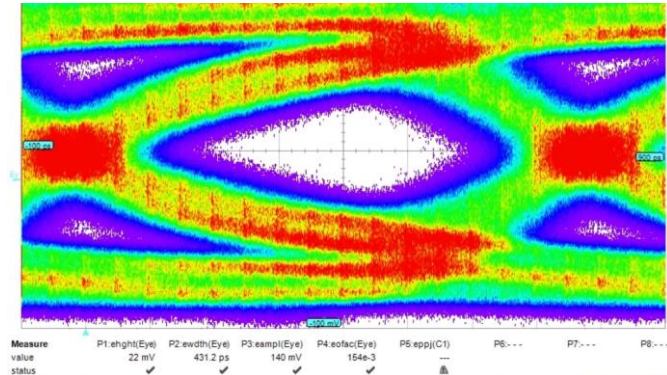
## Signal transmission test

- Challenge of errorfree links on a ladder
  - 8b10b encoding & disparity errors
  - Crucial for a precision experiment
- Different causes compared to single chip QC
  - Light + Heat → high leakage current → noise
  - Connections of various detector components
  - Different voltage drops over a ladder
  - No specific ladder DAC optimization
  - High signal loss due to transmission through  $\mu$ TP cables
  - only short connections used with single chips

 Link 21	9740	 Link 21
L  R 	0	L  R 
 Link 22	2591	 Link 22
L  R 	0	L  R 
 Link 23	2791	 Link 23
L  R 	0	L  R 

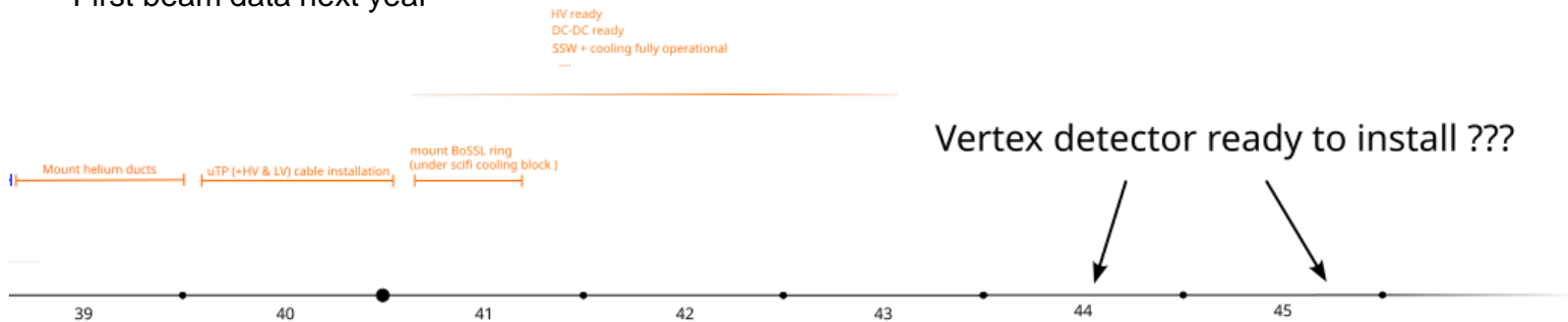
## Signal transmission test

- Chip internal preemphasis + signal amplification can recover the eye opening of transmitted chip data
- Design of additional QC test
  - $\mu$ TP signal transmission studies show optimal transmission at preemphasis  $\sim$  30% signal amplitude
- Found plateau where error free transmission is possible
  - With increase of preemphasis eye opening factor increases
  - Signal amplitude decreases
- 3 dimensional scan in „plateau region“ for each chip
  - Additional scan of another DAC for the regulation of the differential current logic



## Current time line

- Cosmic run with all services installed in November/December
  - Development of calibration, monitoring and data taking routines
- Tested seven wafers for production
- Ladders are currently constructed and qualified
  - Current ladder yield of <50% (preliminary)
- Module construction in the first week of October
  - Module QC (basic tests)
- Services/Cooling and DAQ are currently being installed
- Also other Detector components are installed
- Yifeng will give an overview in the [next talk](#)
- First beam data next year



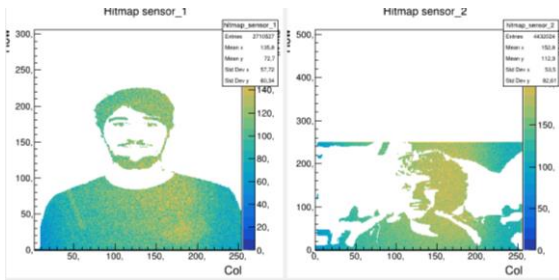


# Backup



# Testbeam at Desy in May and PSI in October 2023

- 50 $\mu$ m & 70 $\mu$ m single chip testbeam at Desy
  - Demonstrated the capability of masking
  - Efficiency studies showed capability to go to efficiency of 99%



- First testbeam with 2 operational ladders at PSI
  - Beam clearly visible on ladder
  - Correlation studies with 2 quad modules + scifi

