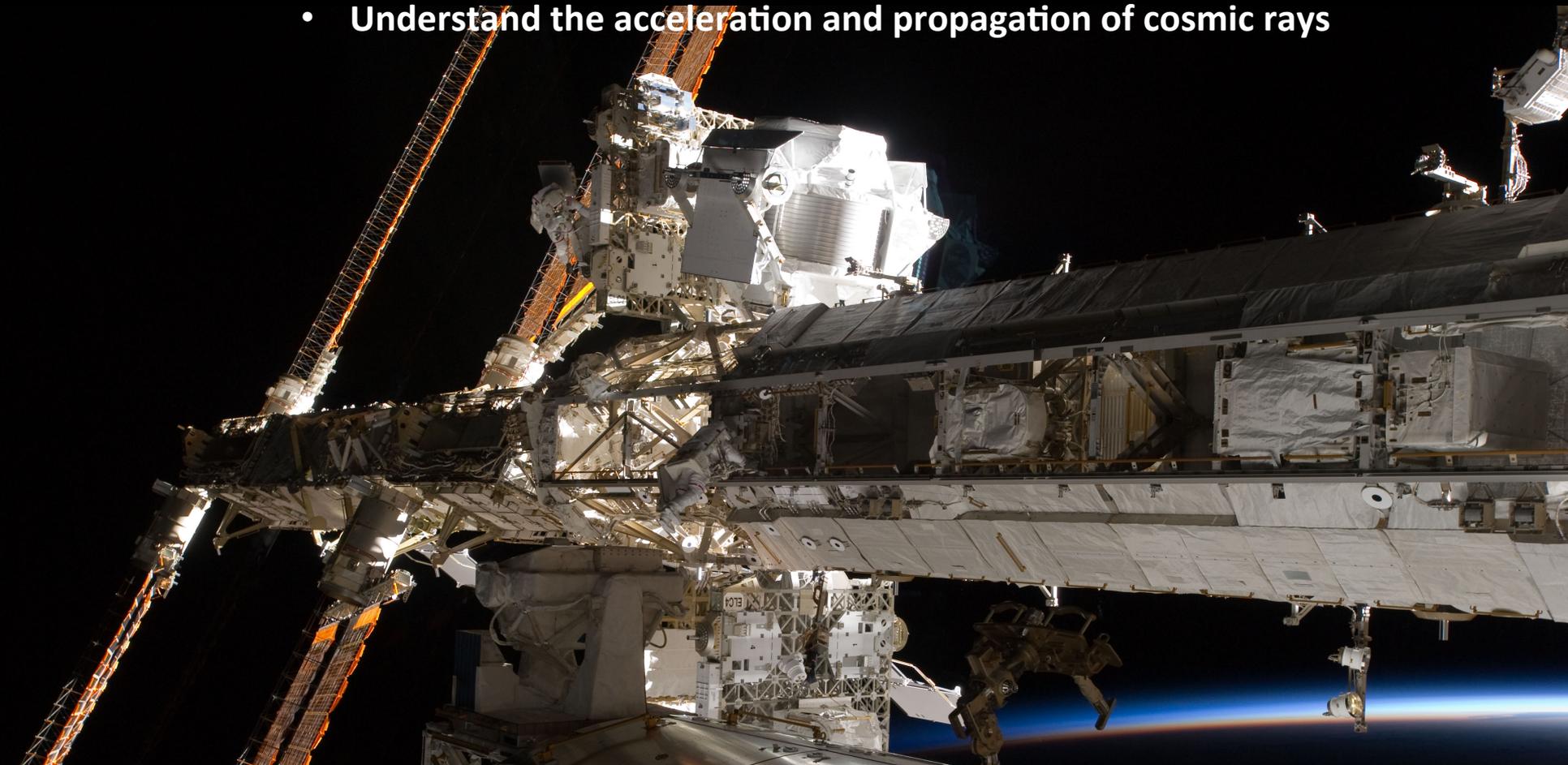


# AMS Experiment on the ISS

## Prof. Gast and Prof. Schael, I. Physics Institute

AMS is a particle physics detector in space to study the properties of charged cosmic rays and:

- Search for primordial antimatter
- Search for Dark Matter
- Search for new particles (Stranglets, magnetic monopoles, ...)
- Understand the acceleration and propagation of cosmic rays



# Thesis - AMS Experiment on the ISS

Prof. Gast, Prof. Schael

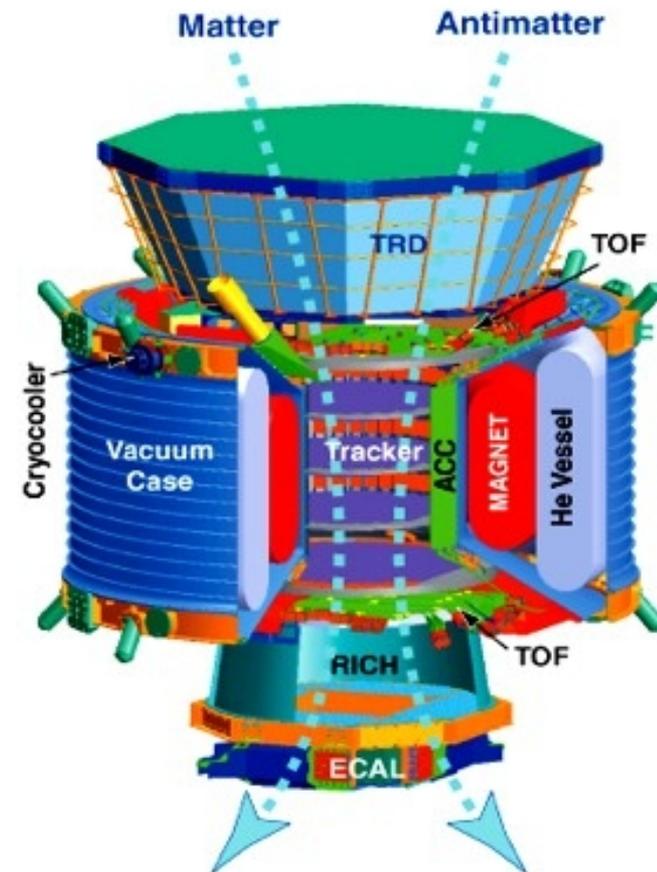


The following topics are available:

- Measurement of charged cosmic rays with AMS
- Photon Reconstruction with AMS
- Calibration of the AMS Detector on the ISS
- Search for dark matter with AMS
- Investigation of the production and propagation of charged cosmic rays

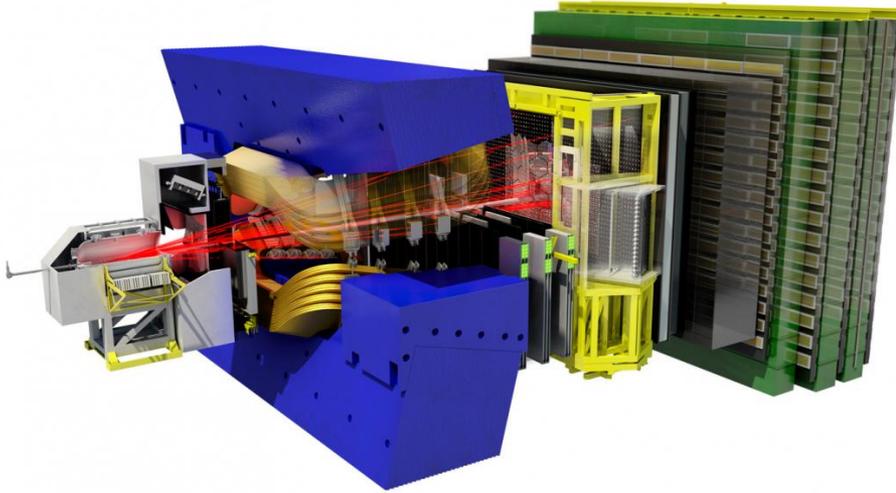
Expected skills:

- Good knowledge in particle- and astroparticle physics
- Good knowledge C++ and ROOT  
for bachelor students we offer special courses in C++ & ROOT



# LHCb at CERN

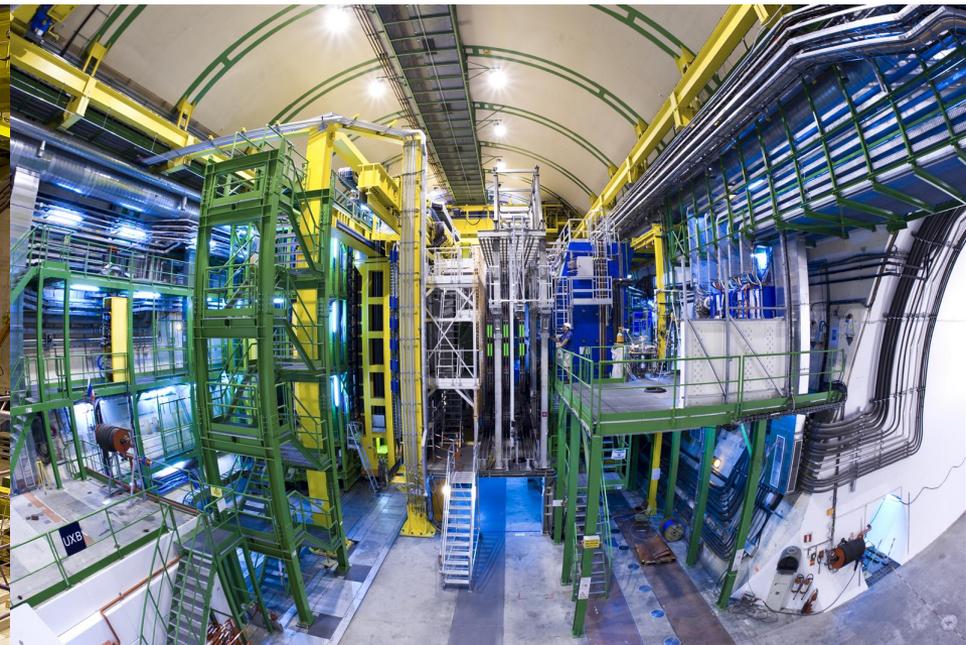
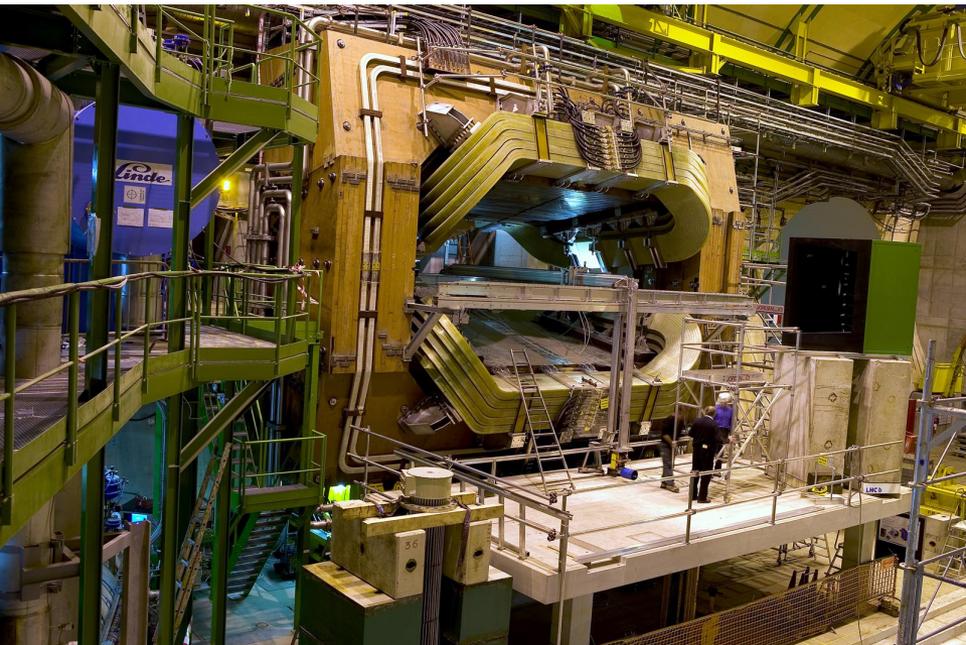
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LHCb is a single arm spectrometer covering  $2 < \eta < 5$

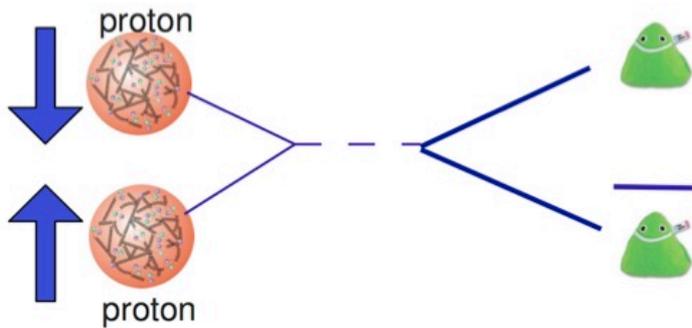
Designed to study heavy flavour physics to

- Understand the Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry in the Universe i.e. measure CP-Violation using B-Hadrons
- Search for new Physics in loop diagrams i.e. study rare B-Hadron decays

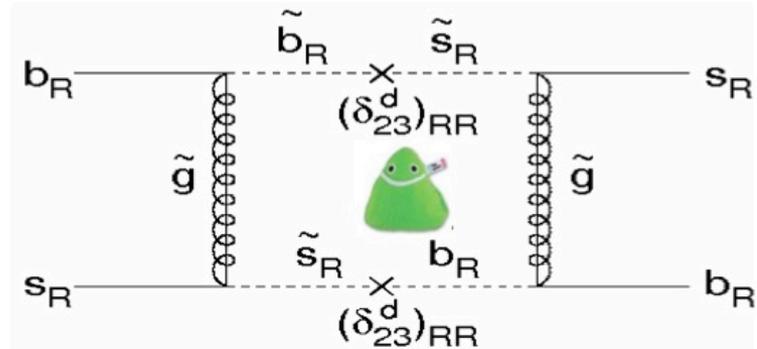


# Direct vs indirect observations

The *absolute* energy frontier:



The *virtual* energy frontier:



- **Direct observation:**

- Produce particles on-shell and detect decay properties
- More intuitive, „really“ produced
- Limited by collision energy

- **Indirect observation**

- Less intuitive, quantum level
- Limited by precision, not by collision energy
- CP observables sensitive to imaginary couplings

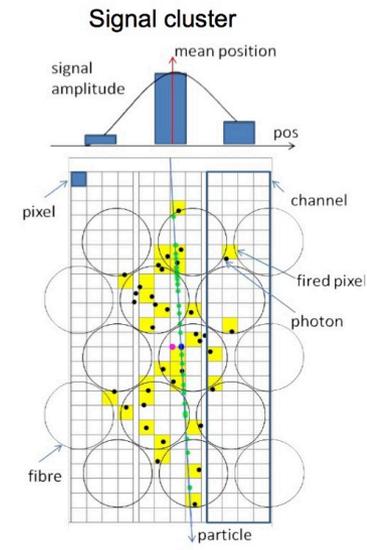
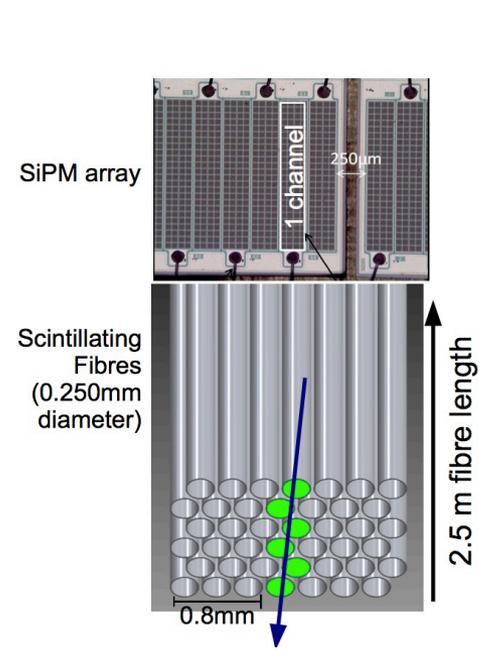
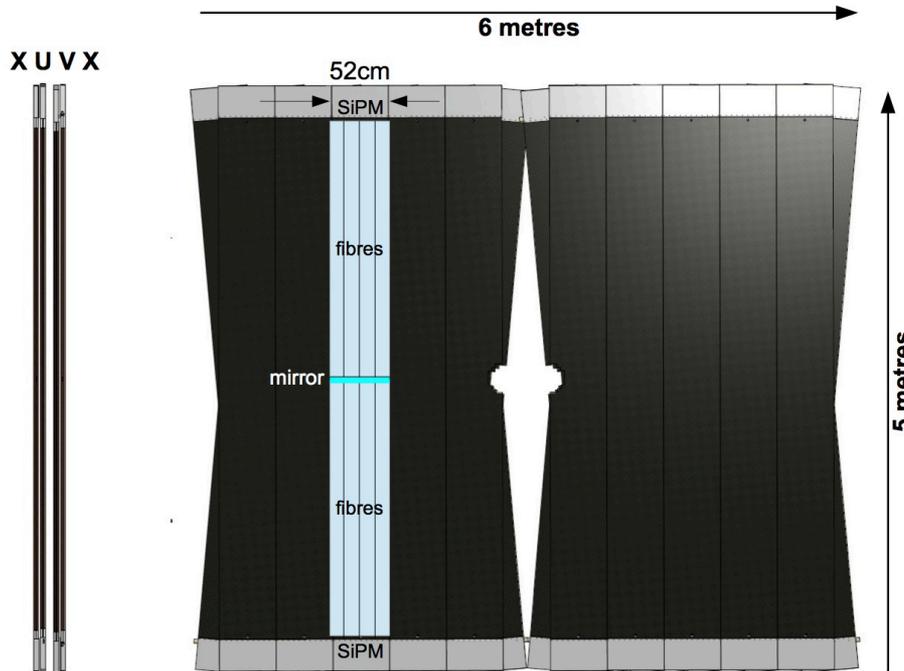
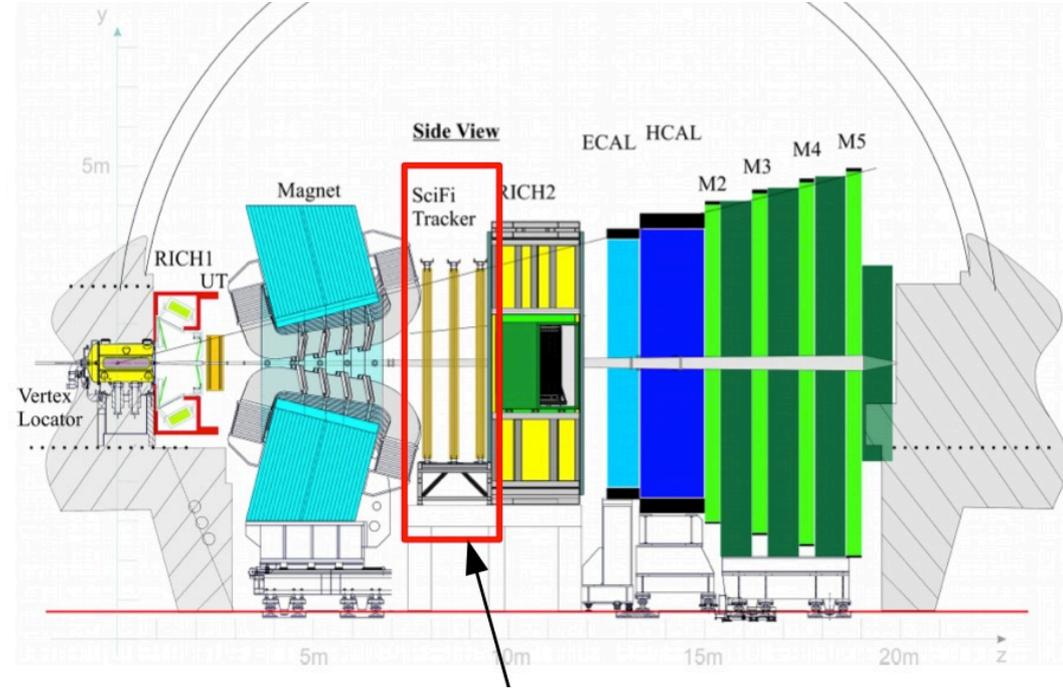
- **Indirect observations in the past:**

- Kaon decay  $K^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$  hints at **c-quark** via GIM in 1970
- **3<sup>rd</sup> quark family** predicted 1972 to explain CP violation
- **Neutral current** observed in neutrino experiment in 1973
- **1987 BB mixing** hints at large **top** mass, 1990 LEP predicts top mass
- prediction of **Higgs** Boson mass  $\sim 100$  GeV in  $\sim 2000$

- ( $J/\psi$  found in 1974)
- (b found in 1977, t in 1994)
- (Z-boson found in 1983)
- (top found in 1994)
- (Higgs found 2012)

# Scintillation Fiber Tracker

- Concept developed at I. Physics Institute (2005-2011)
- Will be installed 2018-2020
- 2020-2025 increase LHCb data set by a factor of 20



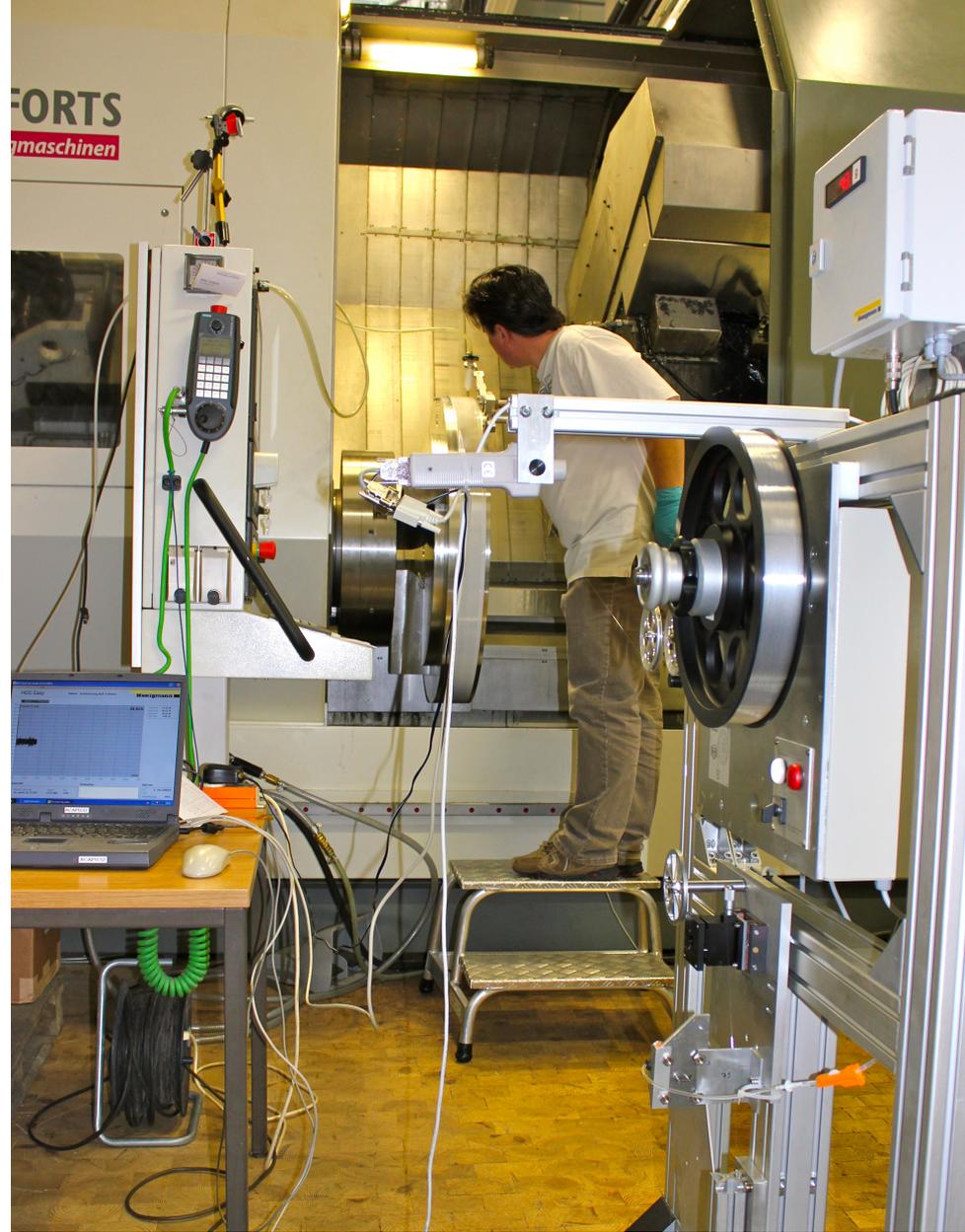
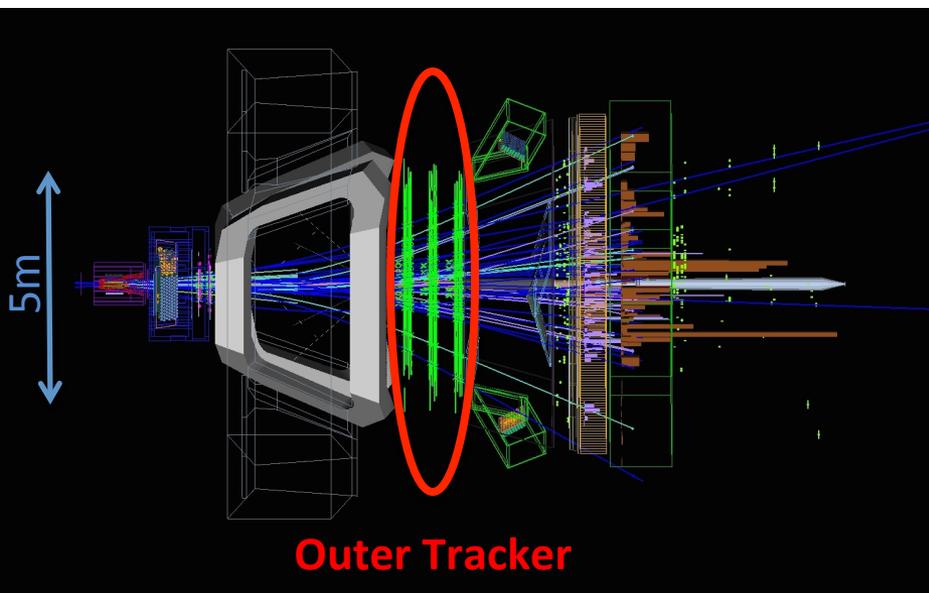
Typically one observes 15-20 photoelectrons for 5 layers of fibre

# Bachelor-, Master- and PhD Thesis LHCb Experiment at CERN

Prof. Dr. Stefan Schael

## Topics:

- Construction and Quality Control of 5m long Scintillating Fiber Modules with Silicon-Photomultiplier readout
- Search for Majorana Neutrinos in rare B-Hadron decays
- Search for Matter-Antimatter Asymmetries in B-Hadron Decays
- Search for Excited  $B_c$ -States at LHCb



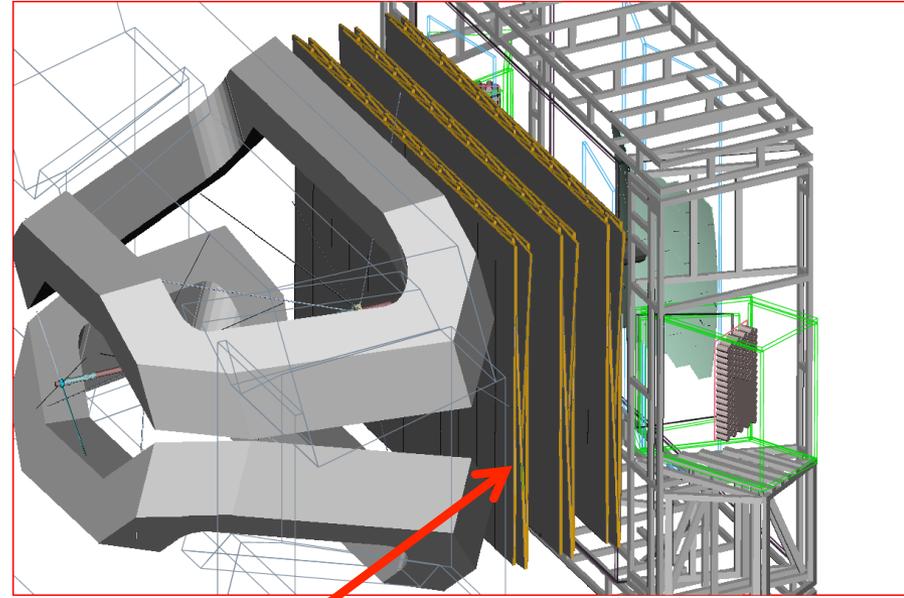
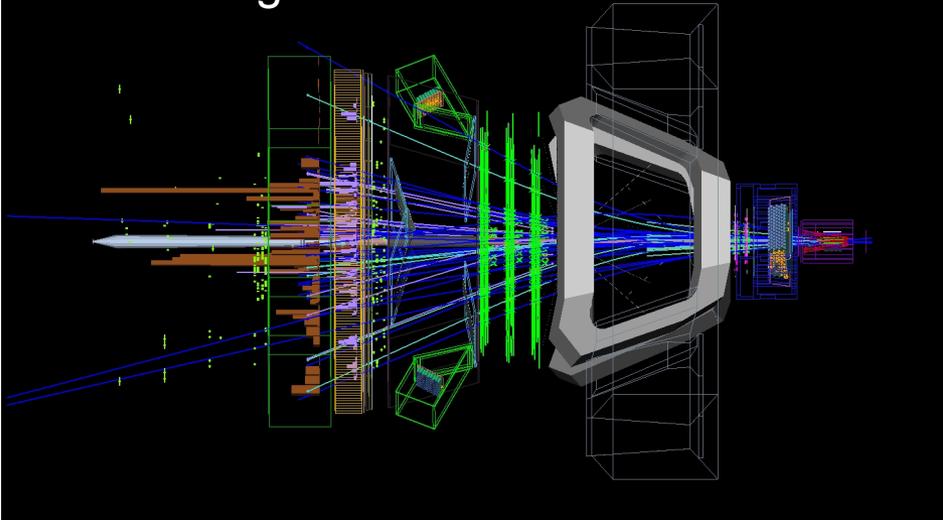
Scintillating Fiber Detector Production  
at RWTH Aachen

# Bachelor/Master 2015

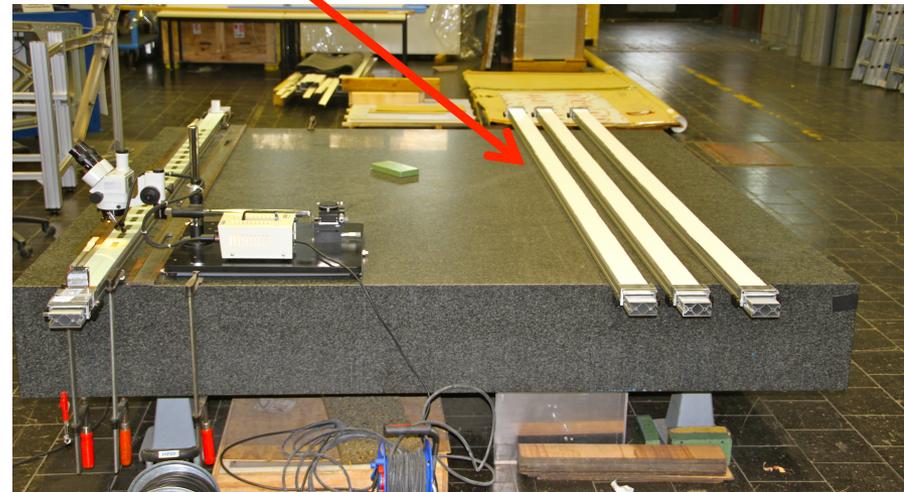
## LHCb - Spurdetektor

Prof. Schael

LHCb Ereignis



LHCb Spurdetektoren an der RWTH

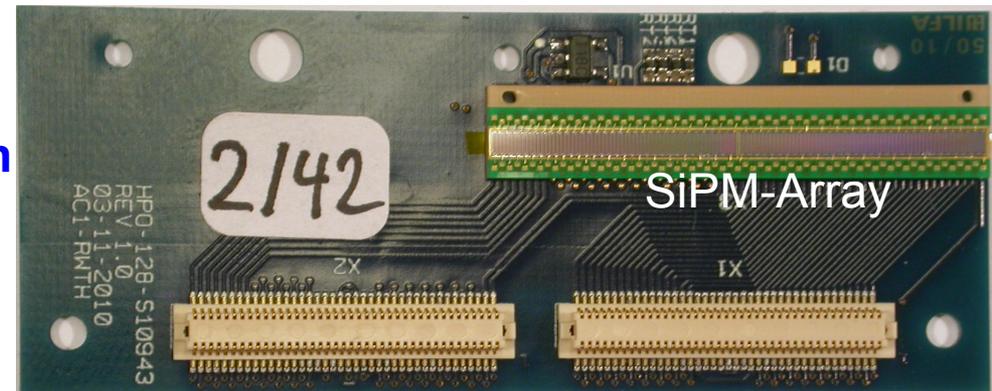
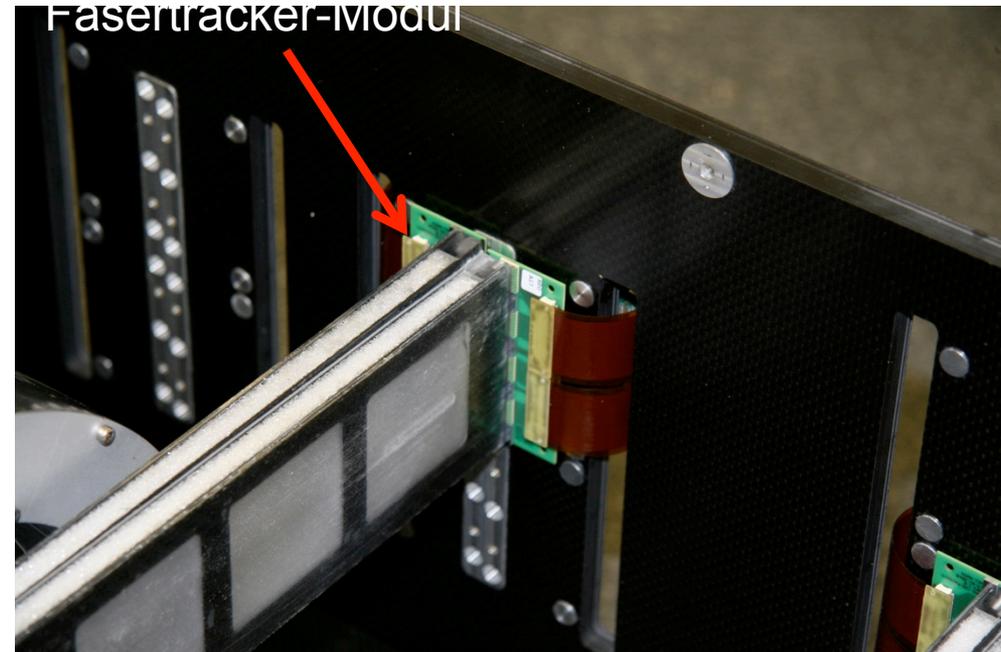
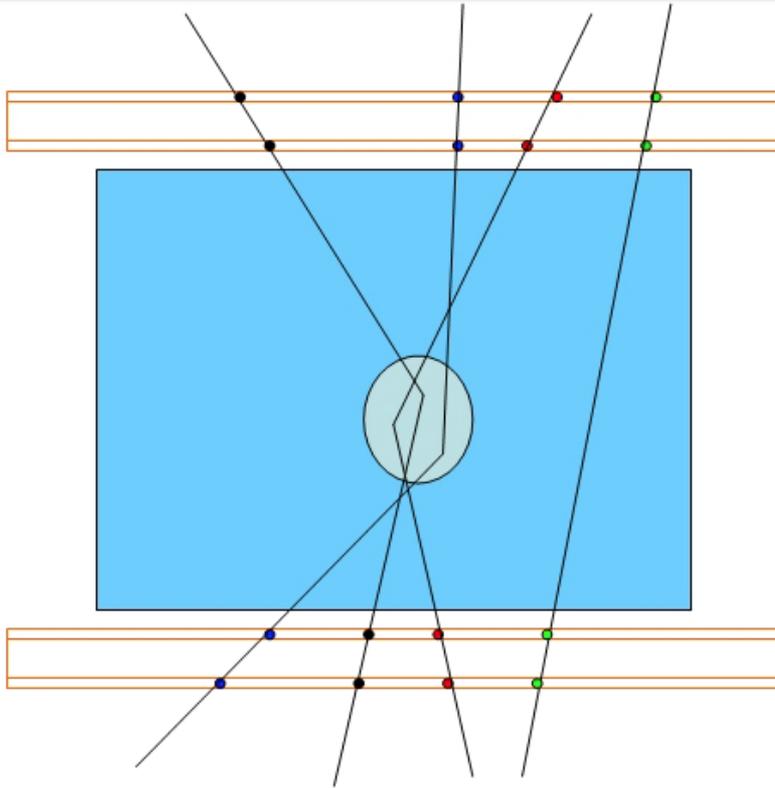


Der von uns neu entwickelte Spurdetektor, der auf dünnen szintillierenden Fasern mit SiPM-Auslese basiert, soll ab 2018 in LHCb eingesetzt werden. Die Arbeiten beschäftigen sich mit Entwicklung und Tests der Detektormodule.

# Bachelor/Master 2015

## Entwicklung eines Myontomographen

Prof. Schael



Mit Hilfe eines von uns neu entwickelten Spurdetektors, der auf dünnen szintillierenden Fasern mit SiPM-Auslese basiert, soll ein Myontomograph aufgebaut werden, um die Dichteverteilung in unbekanntem Materialproben zu bestimmen.