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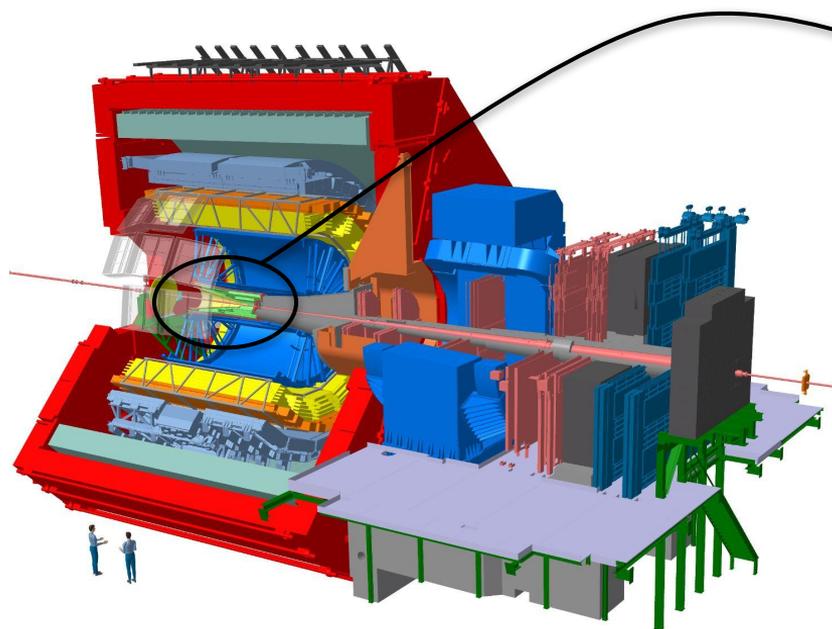
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# Material Budget Imaging with ALPIDE sensors

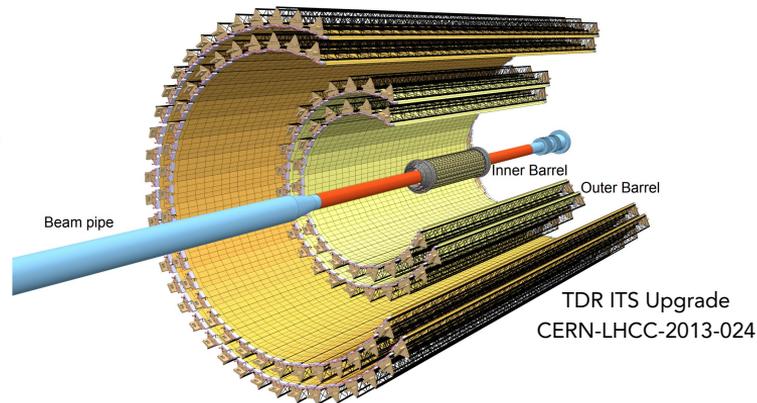
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# ALICE detector - the Inner Tracking System (ITS2)

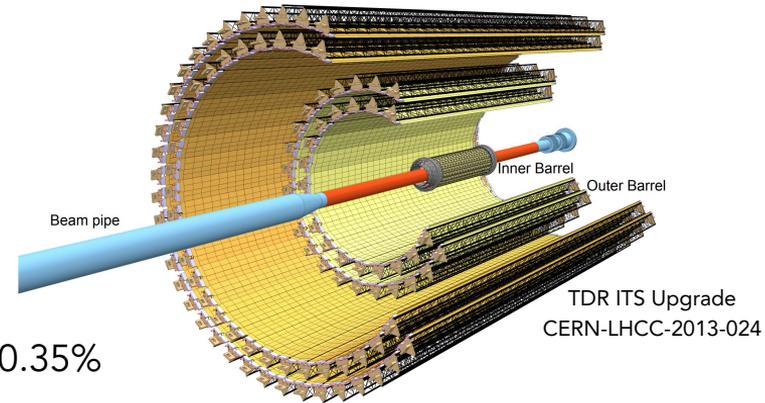


ALICE figure repository

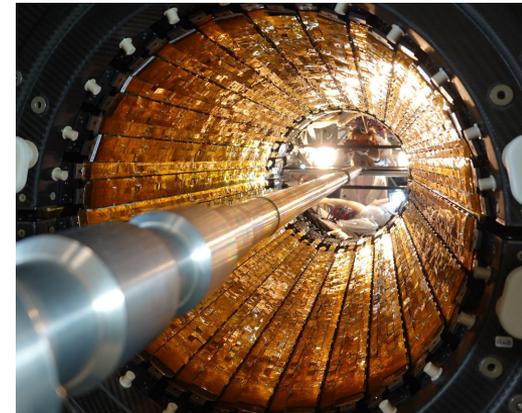


- ALICE is the heavy-ion physics-focused experiment at the LHC
- Main goal: study of the quark-gluon plasma in heavy-ion collisions
- Currently LHC LS2 → detector upgrades
- Inner Tracking System 2 (ITS2)

- ITS2 (installed)
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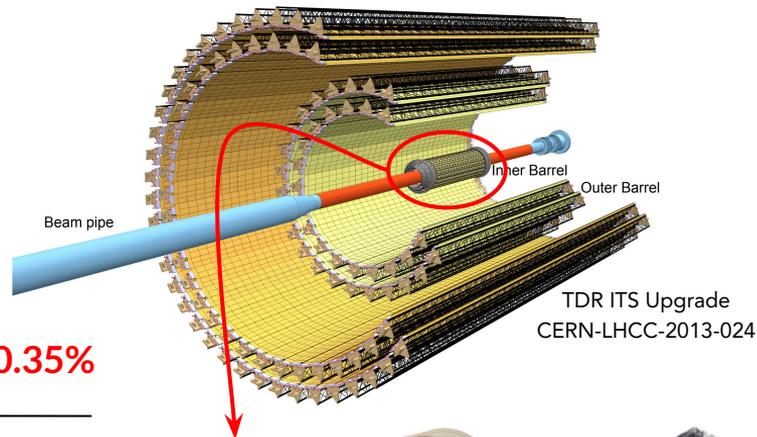
- ALPIDE
  - 30×15 mm, 50(100)  $\mu\text{m}$  thick IB(OB), 29×27  $\mu\text{m}^2$
  - Full CMOS circuitry within the pixel matrix
  - 180 nm CMOS IP
  - 5  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution,  $\gg$  99% detection efficiency,  $\ll 10^{-6}$  fake hits /px /event,  $\sim 40 \text{ mW/cm}^2$
- ITS2 is a state of the art MAPS detector
- Further improvements are possible



# ALICE detector - what the future entails

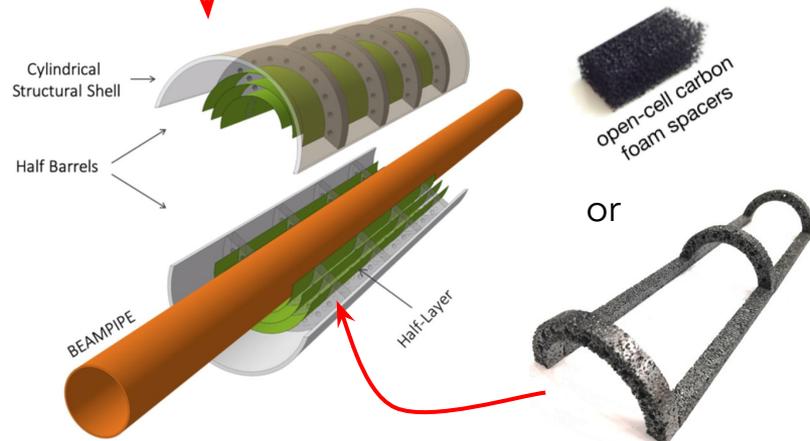
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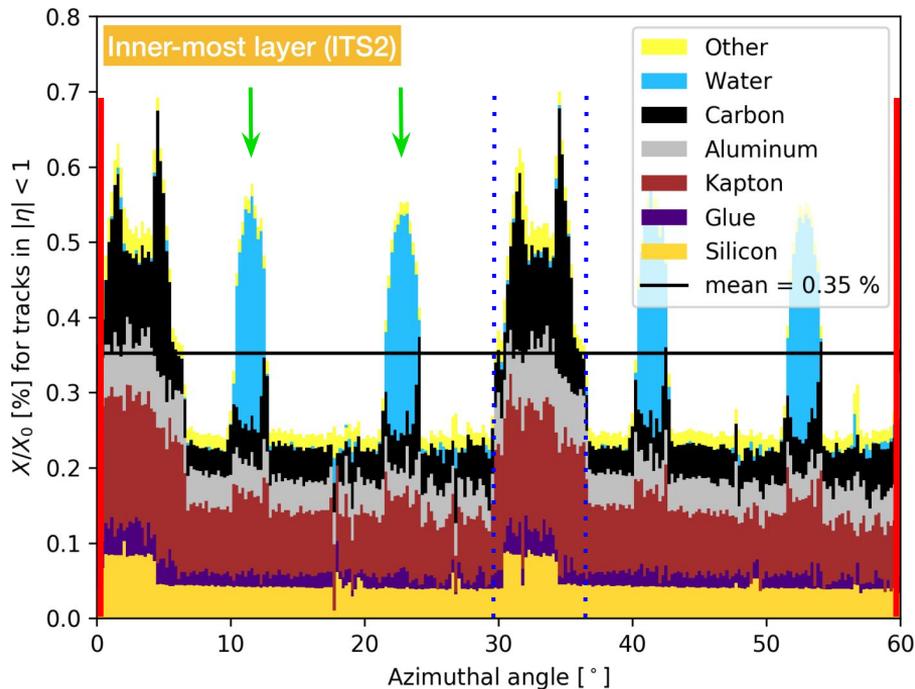


## ➤ ITS3 (LHC LS3, 2026-2028)

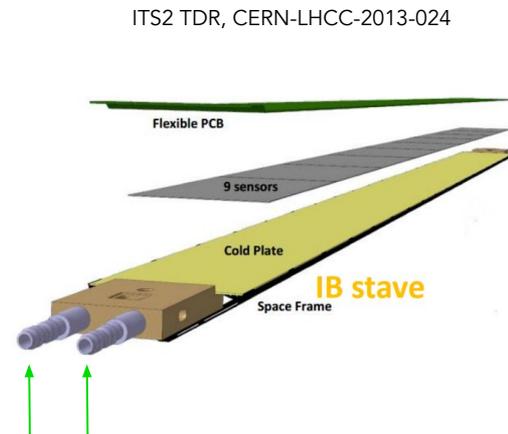
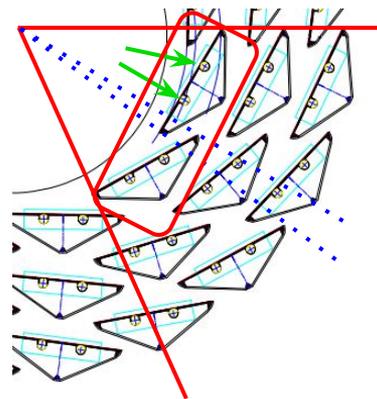
- Aim: replace the Inner Barrel (3 inner layers) of the ITS2
- Ultra light, wafer-scale, curved sensors
- Extremely low material budget (**0.35% → 0.05%** per layer)
- Mechanical support by carbon foam spacers + used to define the radial distance between the layers



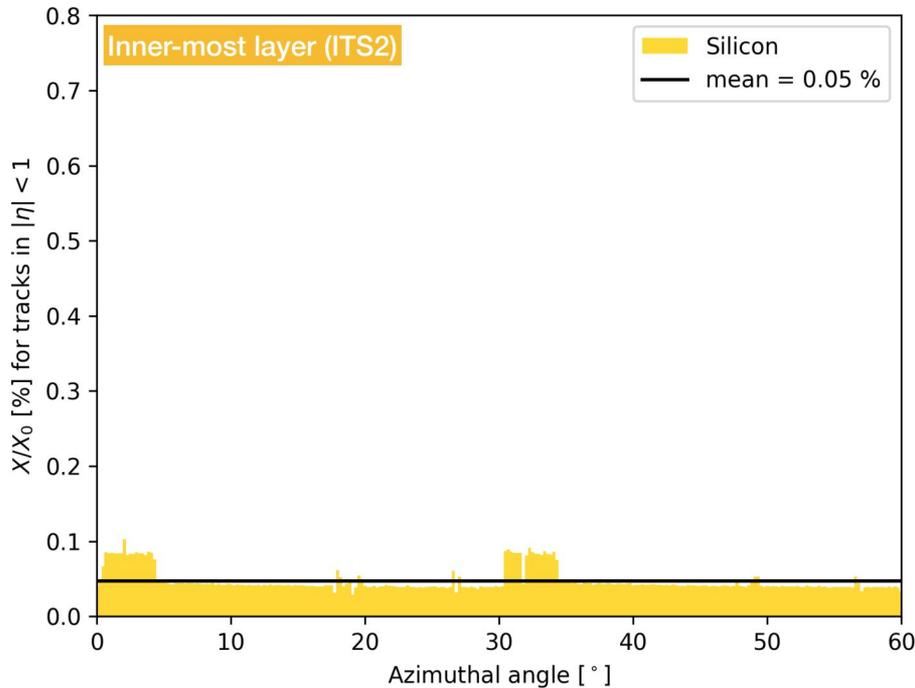
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- Removal of water cooling possible  
→ if power consumption < 20 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> (ALPIDE: 40 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 7 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> matrix)
- Removal of the circuit board for power distribution and data lines possible  
→ if integrated on chip (make single large chips, use CMOS metal layers)
- Move mechanical support outside acceptance → benefit from self-supporting bent Si (+ ultra-light carbon foam spacers)

**An almost all-Si detector is possible!**  
**Ultra-light spacers needed!**

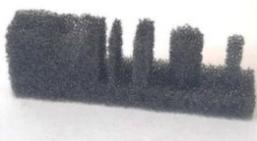
# Engineering Model 1 with carbon foam wedges



- Engineering Model 1 (half barrel)
- Several types of foams considered (structural, thermal considerations)
- Top choice: ERG, ALLCOMP

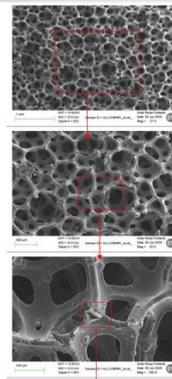
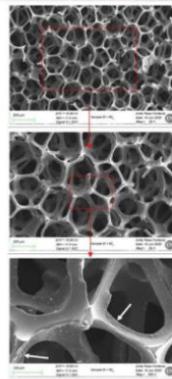
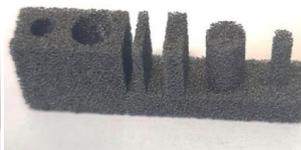
## ERG DUOCEL\_AR

0.06 kg/dm<sup>3</sup>  
0.033 W/m·K

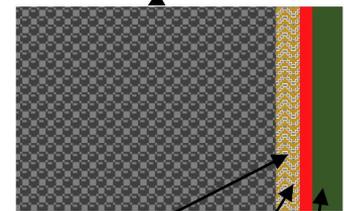


## ALLCOMP\_LD

0.2-0.26 kg/dm<sup>3</sup>  
>17 W/m·K



## Carbon foam



Impregnated  
fleece

Glue

Silicon

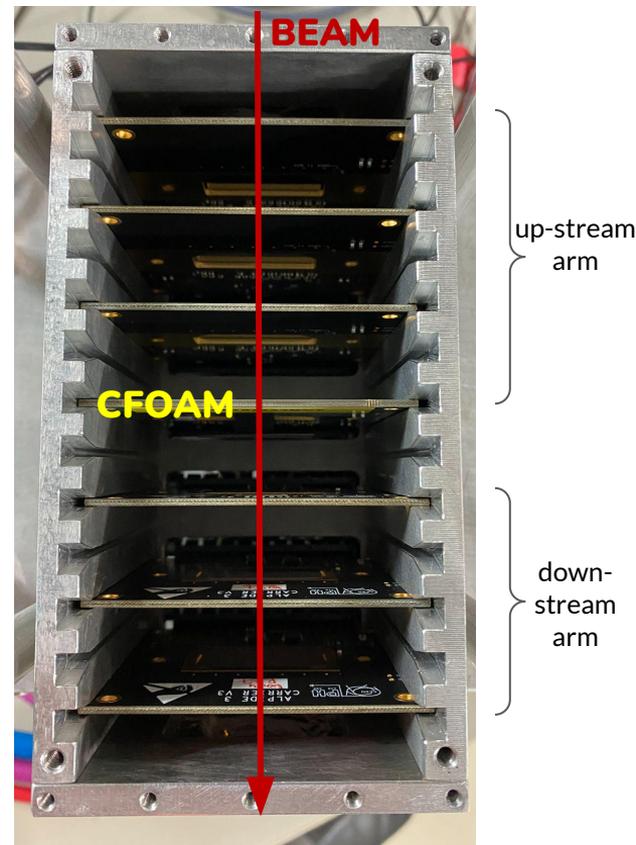
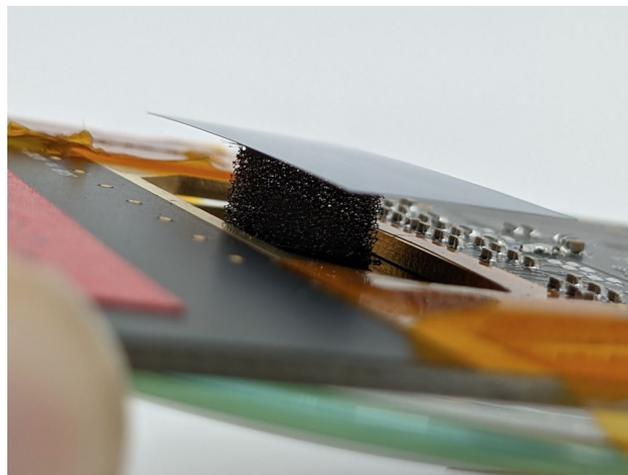
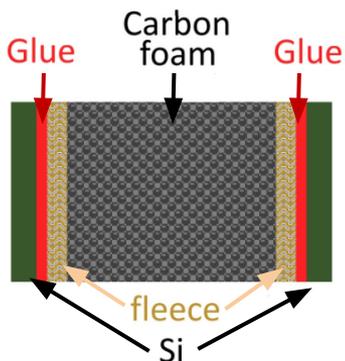
- Noticed glue infiltration (capillarity) in the foam  
→ add carbon fleece
- Aim: study material budget of such a wedge composite

# Material budget imaging of carbon foam wedges

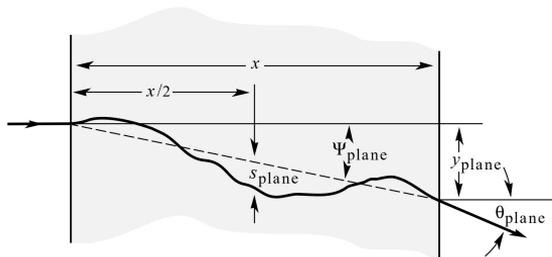
6 mm thick foam + 50  $\mu\text{m}$  fleece + 50  $\mu\text{m}$  glue + 50  $\mu\text{m}$  silicon

- Mimic an ITS3 layer by glueing a carbon foam wedge to an ALPIDE
- Place inside a 6 plane telescope and subject it to a beam of particles
- Measure (extra) scattering due to extra material (foam)
- Active ALPIDE + non-working ALPIDE

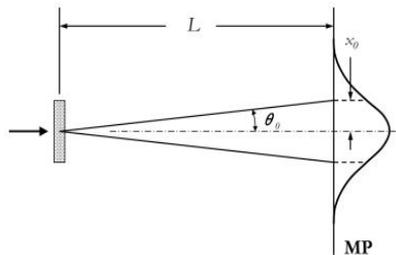
$L \times l \times w$   
 $10 \times 3 \times 6$  [mm]



# Intermezzo: Multiple Coulomb Scattering



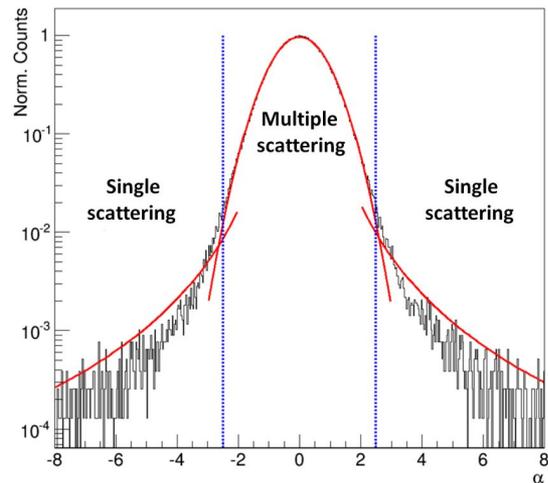
Source: PDG



- The trajectory is altered due to many small deflections (Multiple Coulomb Scattering) or to a single large deflection (Single Rutherford Scattering)
- Distribution: Gaussian core (98%) with non-Gaussian tails → width given by:

$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{\beta c p} z \sqrt{x/X_0} \left[ 1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0) \right] \quad (\text{Highland formula})$$

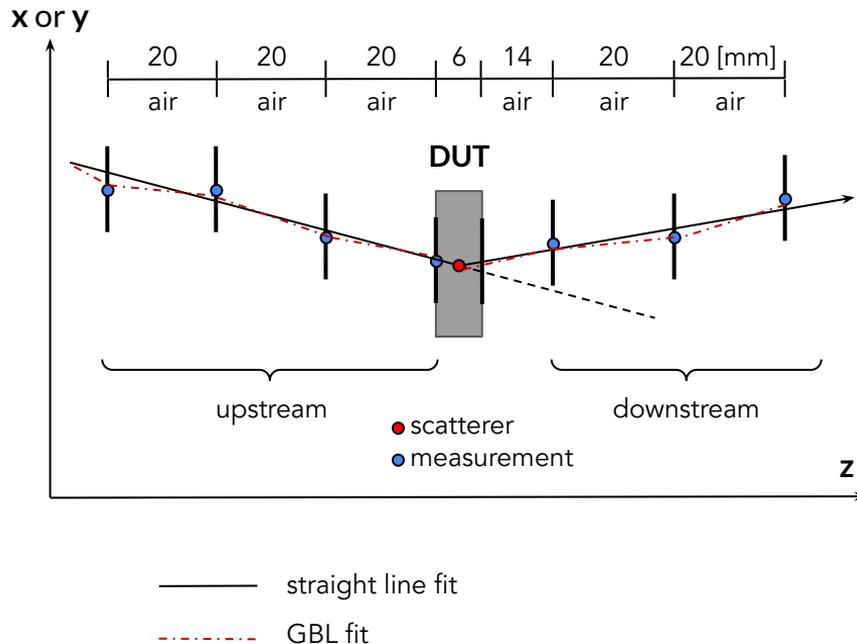
- Expect broader distribution for extra material



Source: 10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.20.124702

# MBI: Tracklet based analysis

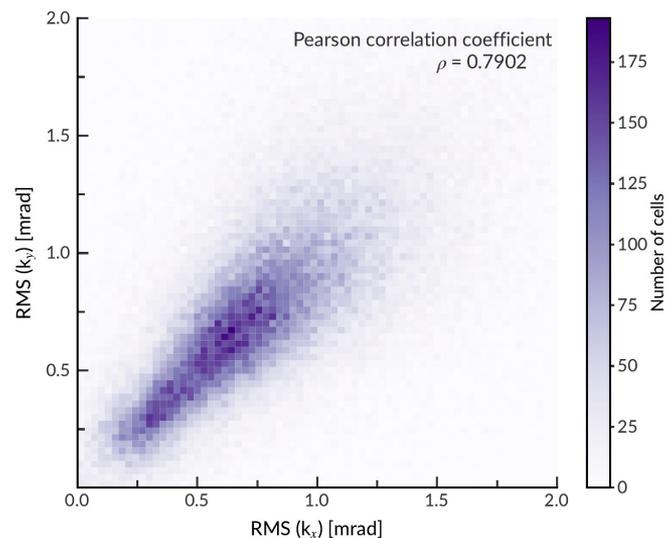
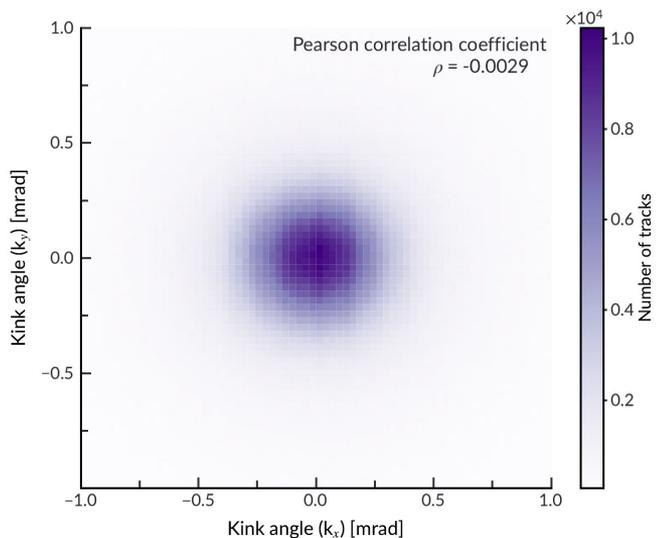
MBI: [Paul Schütze](#), [Jan-Hendrik Arling](#)



- Tracking
  - require 4 (3) hits in each up(down)-stream telescope arms to form tracklets
  - account for scattering in air and Si before/after the foam composite (General Broken Lines)
- Tracklets connect along  $z$  in the middle of the foam, where an arbitrary kink of the track is allowed, representing the scatterer
  - here, a virtual reconstruction plane is defined and divided into image cells ( $100\mu\text{m} \times 100\mu\text{m}$ )

# Correlations

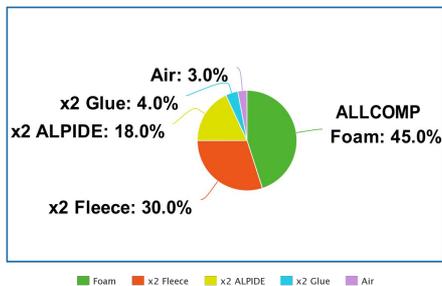
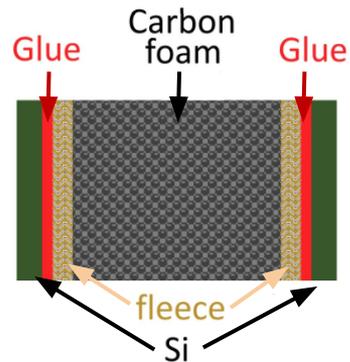
- Two independent measurements of the particle's deflection angle: horizontal and vertical plane,  $k_x$  and  $k_y$
- x and y-axis are orthogonal to each other + quantum mechanical nature of the scattering processes
  - the two kink values ( $k_x$ ,  $k_y$ ) are fully uncorrelated
  - measurements ( $\text{RMS}(k_x)$ ,  $\text{RMS}(k_y)$ ) in x and y used as independent estimators (twice the statistics)



# Material budget estimation

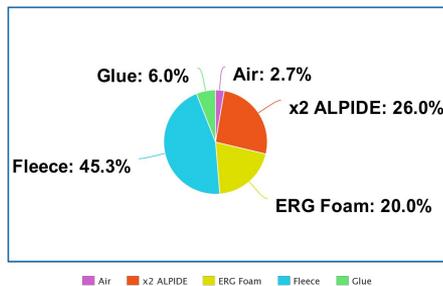
$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{\beta_{cp}} \approx \sqrt{x/X_0} \left[ 1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0) \right]$$

- Unknown  $X_0$  for fleece, glue and foam; estimated from densities or basic principles



$$x/X_0 = 0.613\%$$

ALLCOMP



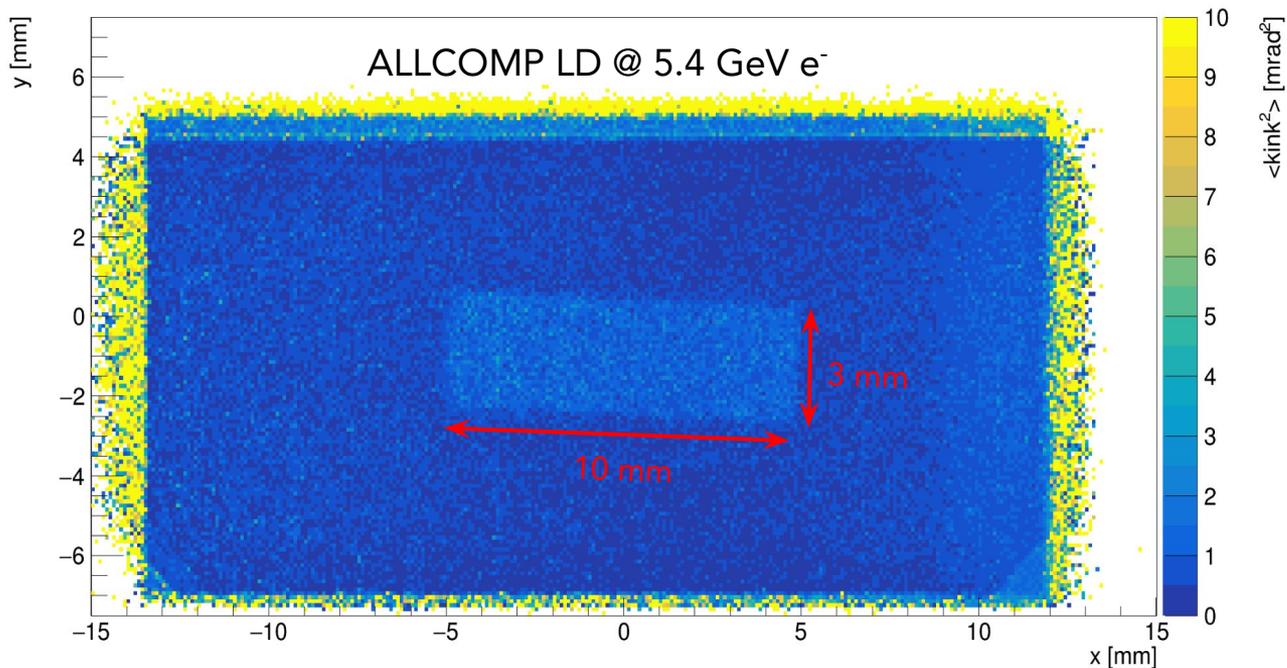
$$x/X_0 = 0.417\%$$

ERG

	ERG	ALLCOMP
$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.06	0.2
$X_0$ (mm)	7116	2135
$x/X_0$ (%)	0.084	0.28

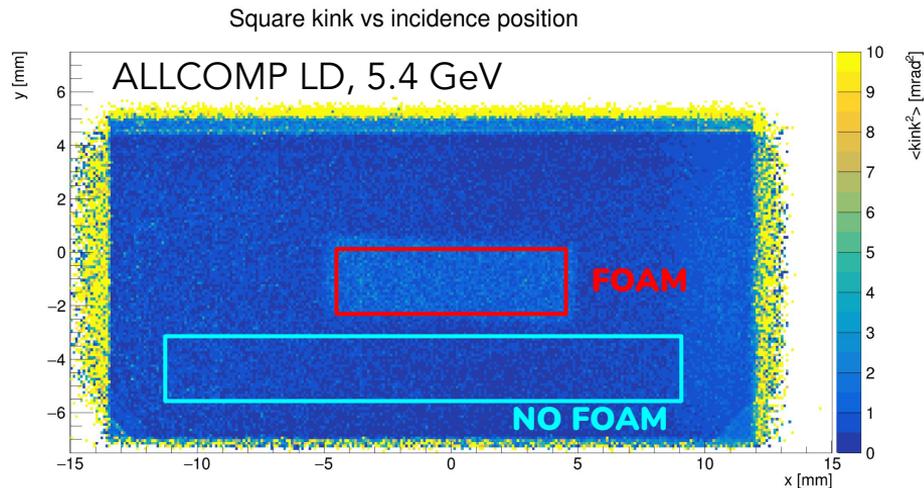
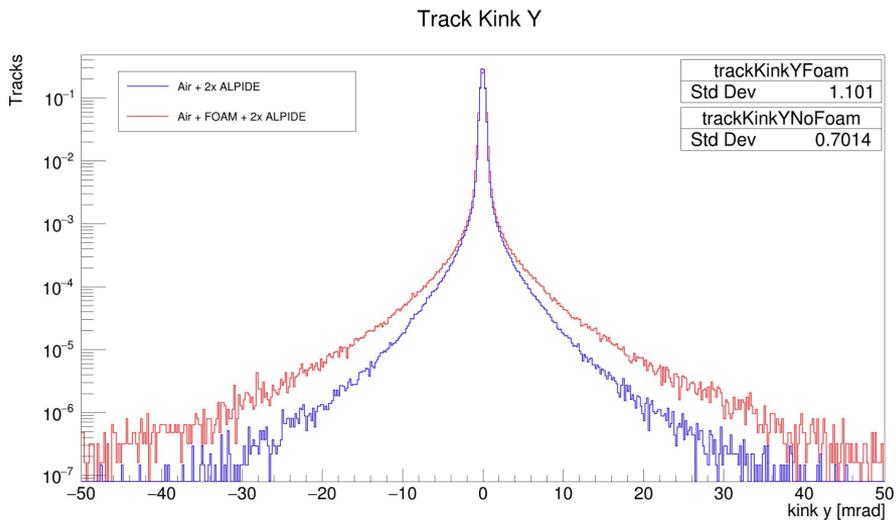
# Spatially resolved scattering angle hitmap

- Reconstructed particle tracks → kink angles:  $k_x, k_y$
- Width of kink angles within a cell ( $100\mu\text{m} \times 100\mu\text{m}$ ): spatially-resolved scattering angle map
- Foam sample recognizable by more scattering



# Kink angle distributions: foam vs no-foam

- Define regions of interest
  - FOAM only area
  - NO FOAM area
- Compute distribution of kink angles
- Gauss fit (98% core  $\sim 2.33\sigma$ , no tails)



	FOAM	NO FOAM
	$X_{0, \text{FOAM}} = 0.0061$	$X_{0, \text{NO FOAM}} = 0.0012$
$\sigma_{98\%}$ (mrad)	0.299	0.258
$\theta_0$ (Highland) (mrad)	0.159	0.0649

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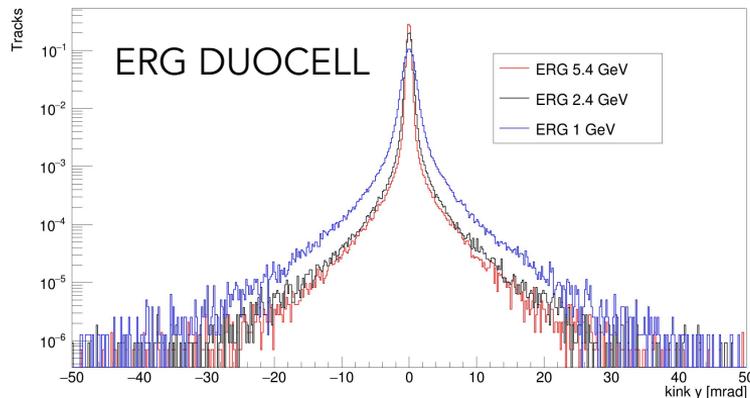
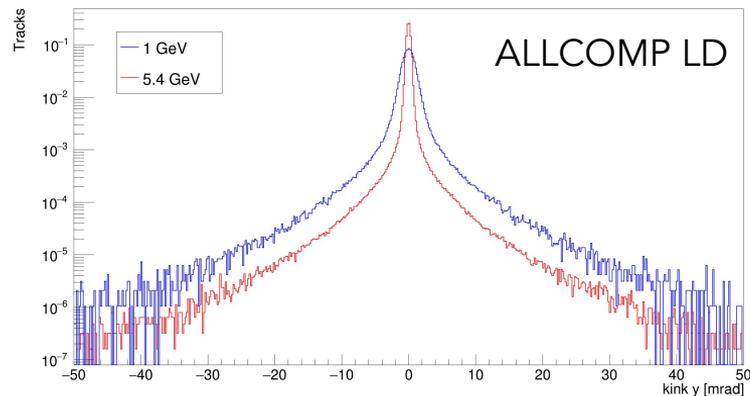
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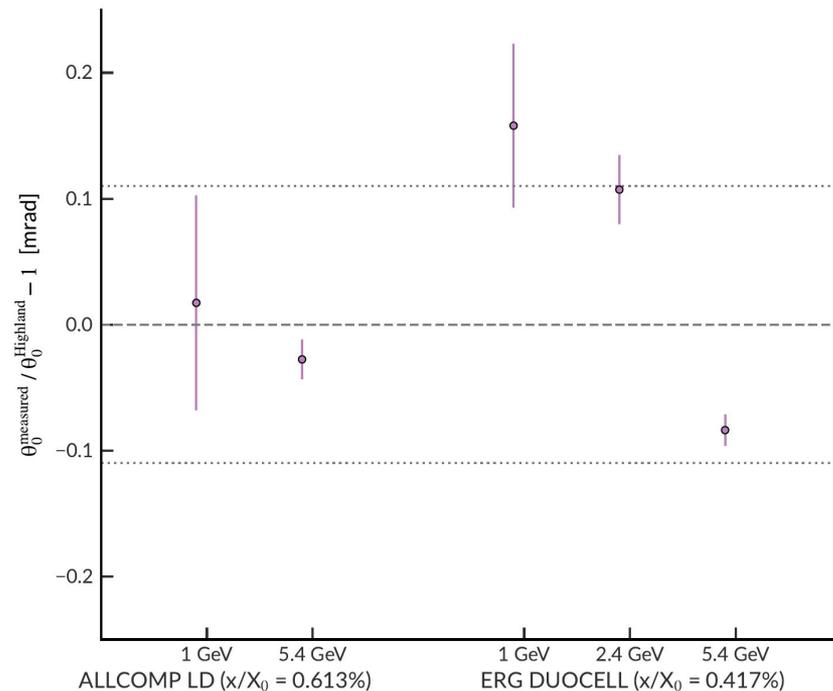
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- Material budget imaging → powerful technique for measurements of the material budget
- For the carbon foam choice in ITS3
  - ERG DUOCELL\_AR shows the best results in terms of scattering
  
- Carbon foam support for next-generation Inner Tracking System in LHC LS3
- Based on wafer scale, ultra-thin bent MAPS
  - ITS3 will push the technology even further, approaching a massless detector