# Silicon Detector opportunities at the LUXE experiment

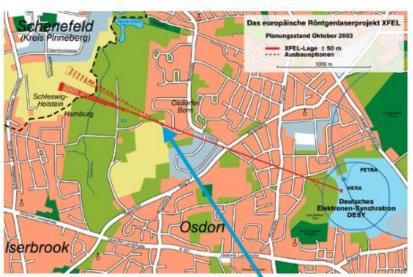
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#### The LUXE experiment

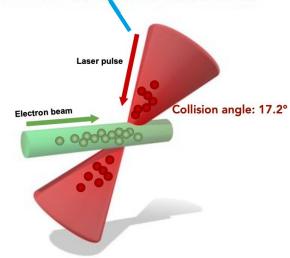




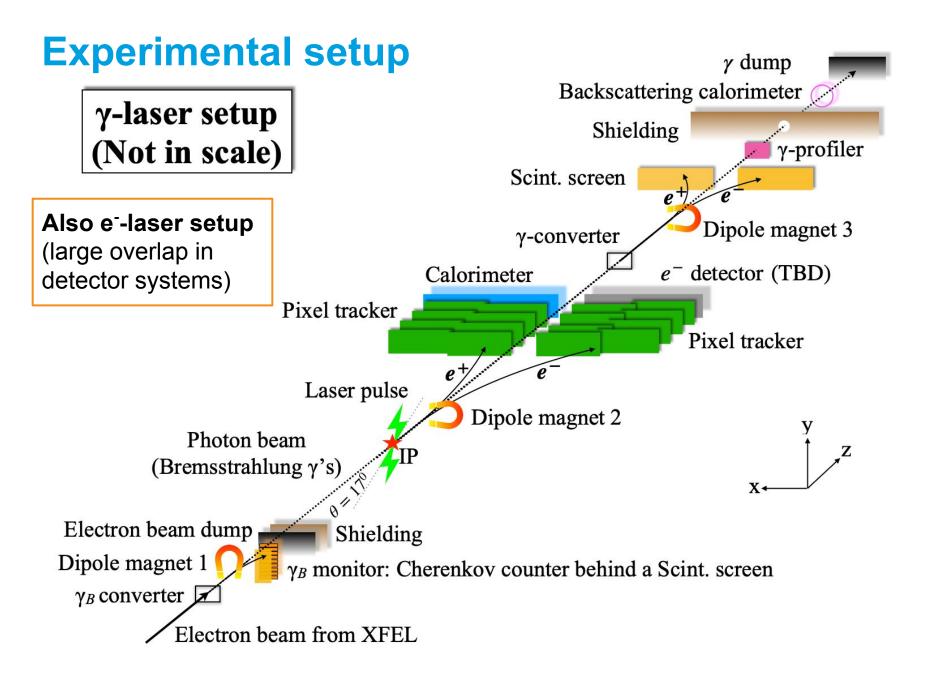
Precision measurement of QED phenomena in uncharted non-perturbative regime

CDR arXiv: <u>2102.02032</u>

TDR arXiv: <u>2308.00515</u>



Timeline: end of decade, run for several years, with potential upgrades



#### Tracker(s)

Stave surface ~1 × 50 cm<sup>2</sup> x 4 staves

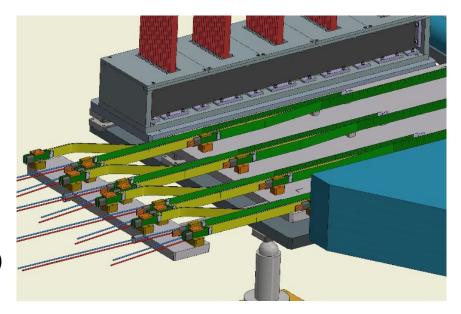
Low material budget (**a few 100 μm**)

Radiation tolerant ~10³ Gy/year

Measure the single-particle energy (O(1%)) and spatial origin (O(100  $\mu$ m))

Dynamic range: from 10<sup>-4</sup> to several 10<sup>6</sup> particles per BX

Current tracker exists (led by Weizmann), based on **ALICE ALPIDE pixels**.



Detector Reference	Hit Density [mm <sup>-2</sup> ] 2303.08533		
	MCD	ATLAS ITk	ALICE ITS3
Pixel Layer 0	3.68	0.643	0.85
Pixel Layer 1	0.51	0.022	0.51

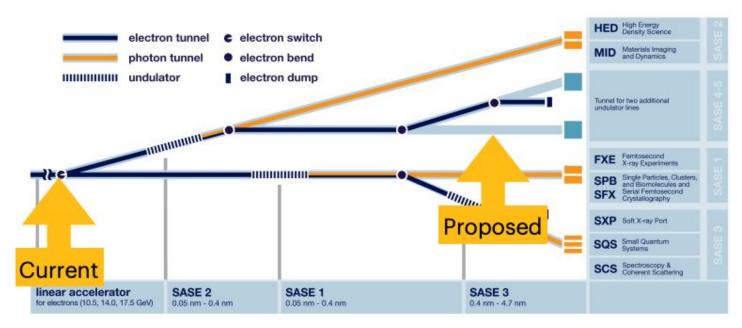
LUXE peak hit density = 100 hits/mm<sup>2</sup>
Upgrade with higher granularity and ToT?

**People:** 1-2 staff(s) + 3/4 fellows/students + technicians and engineers (x2?)

**Space/equipment requirements:** fraction of DAF - potential re-use of most LHC upgrade infrastructure (at a smaller scale)

Other German contributions to project: not yet

#### **Updated LUXE** baseline location



The baseline location of the experiment has been changed to the XTD8 tunnel

Better access, more (longitudinal) space, ...

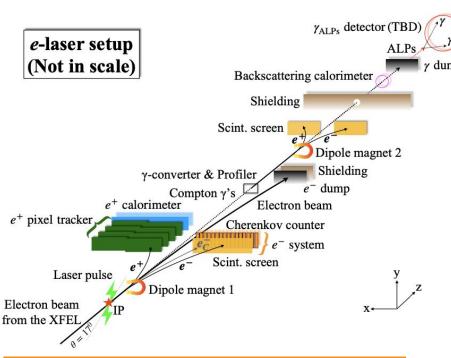
Starting effort to update experiment design for new area (might use permanent magnets and space out detectors a bit more)

Plan not to alter any of the built detectors, but more space = more flexibility

More opportunities?

#### **Digital SiPM for Cherenkov counter?**

## Led by DESY and needed by core LUXE programme



**People:** 1-2 staff(s) + 2/3 fellows/students + technicians and engineers (x2?)

**Space/equipment:** little (?)



### Cherenkov counter

Air-filled straws with SiPM

- Prototype exists, needs refinement
- Challenges in noise, background and radiation hardness
- DESY dSiPM?

# Thank you!