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SMART Structures, Methods, Advanced Research Technologies



SMART.3 Detectors, Quantum Sensors, and Accelerators

 Optimize detector concepts based on extreme spatial granularity and time resolution to operate at a circular e+/e- collider,

(Garutti, Krüger, Nikolopoulos, Sefkow, Spannagel, Schwandt, Steinbrück)

 Qualify superconducting radio frequency (SRF) and quantum sensors for applications in DM and GW detectors

(Garutti, Horns, Januschek, Lindner, Nikolopoulos, Reinhardt, Schnabel)

 Pursue acceleration technologies towards high-energy e+/e- linear colliders,

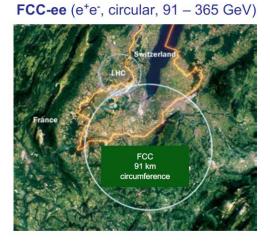
(Grüner, Hillert, Moortgat-Pick, Wenskat)

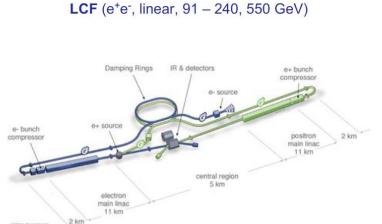
SMART: Detectors for particle physics



- → European Strategy for Particle Physics 2026 ongoing
- → Decision for the next flagship project for CERN to be taken in 2028

e⁺e⁻ colliders ("Higgs factories")







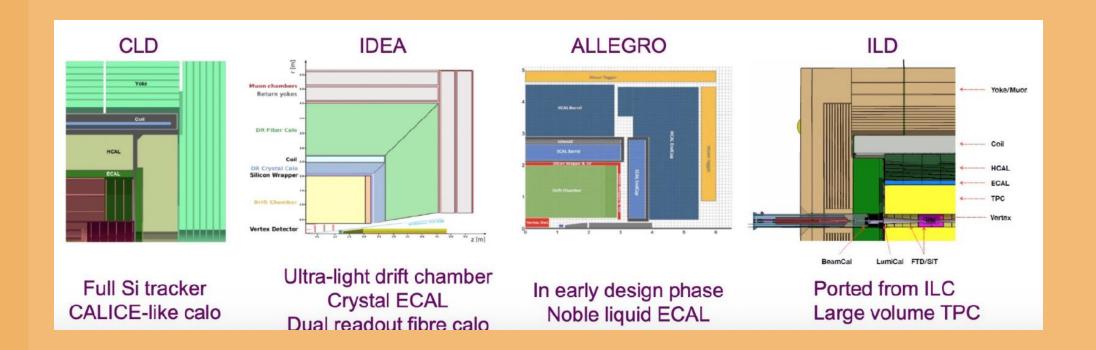
→ The next large machine will likely be a e⁺e⁻ collider

SMART: Detectors for particle physics



FCC-ee concepts gaining momentum

- o excellent vertexing \rightarrow silicon detectors (pitch < 25 µm, < 0.1% X_0 / layer, O(1 ns) time resolution, power < 50 mW/cm²)
- excellent tracking → gaseous trackers (high rate capability, transparency, PID, continuous tracking)
- particle flow reco. → high-granularity calorimeter



SMART: Detectors for particle physics



The landscape

HH / QU Level

Gaseous Detectors

4D Tracking

5D Calorimetry

Quantum Sensors

German Level

German R&D consortia

HOCHRAGEND

High-D Calo

Si-D

European Level

DRD collaborations

DRD1 Gaseous detectors

DRD3 Semiconductor detectors

DRD6 Calorimetry

DRD4 Photodetectors & Particle ID

DRD2 Liquid detectors

DRD5 Quantum sensors

DRD7 Electronics

DRD8 Integration

DRD9 Training

→ QU supports the international effort to prepare for a future e⁺e⁻ collider

SMART: 4D Tracking



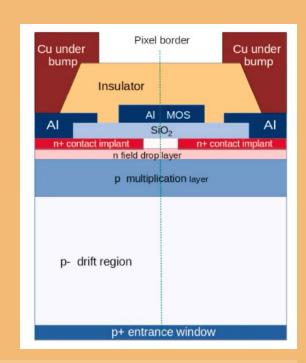
High resolution tracking detectors with ps time resolution

Position resolution: $\sim 10 \, \mu m \sim 5\%$ of electrodes distance

Time resolution: \sim 25 ps for 50 µm thick sensors

Radiation Hardness up to ~ 2 x 10¹⁵ cm⁻²





→ Establish Low Gain Avalanche Diode for timing layers instrumentation

SMART: 5D Calorimetry



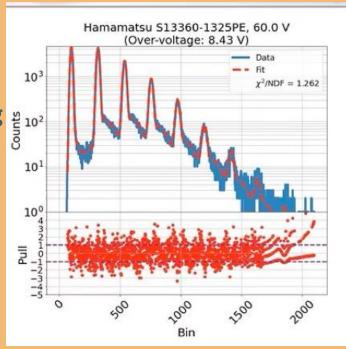
High granular calorimeters with good energy and time resolution

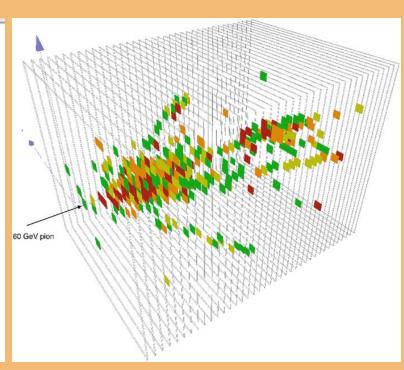
Position resolution: ~ 3 cm

Time resolution: ~ 1 ns

Characterization and modeling of SiPM response





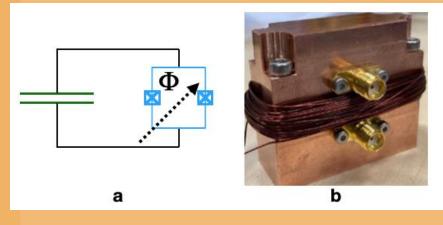


→ Optimize particle flow calorimetry design for FCC-ee

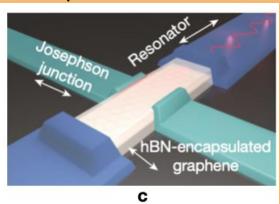
SMART: Quantum Sensors



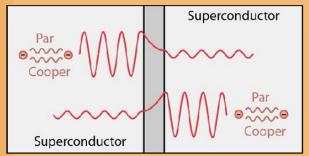
Transmon QBit

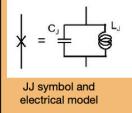


Graphene JJ bolometer

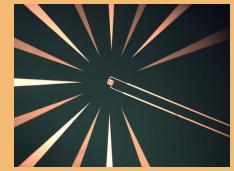


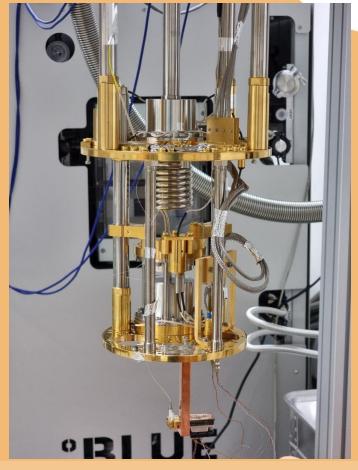
Josephson Junction (JJ)





Transition Edge Sensors



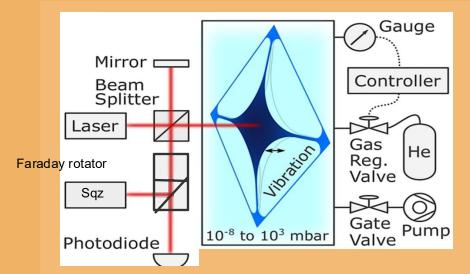


Discovered by Brian Josephson in 1962. Application in SQUIDs, superconducting qubits, and amplifiers.

→ Improve sensitivity of dark matter experiments

Based

SMART: Quantum Sensors



"Squeeze Laser" for squeezed vacuum states at 1550 nm built by the group of R. Schnabel in 2020, financed by BMBF.

The UHH spin-off *Noisy Labs GmbH* was founded in 2023. First commercial company to sell squeeze lasers.

Our membrane pressure sensor can be used at arbitrarily low temperatures, just limited by the heating of the readout laser.

The 10dB squeezing enables a tenfold reduction in light power/heating without loss of S/N.

1 PhD Proof of concept and transfer of opto-mechanical gas pressure sensing [Lindner/Reinhardt]



→ Improve sensitivity gravitational wave experiments

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SMART.2 Artificial Intelligence

Cooperation between physics & informatics

 Develop innovative and competitive AI technologies, including novel foundation models and generative AI models, with a wide range of applications in all areas of the Cluster and beyond,

> (Blekman, Brüggen, Gerkmann, Heim, Kasieczka, Laue, Lucie-Smith, Krüger, Lederer, Neumann, Schindler, Schomerus, Weigand, Westphal)

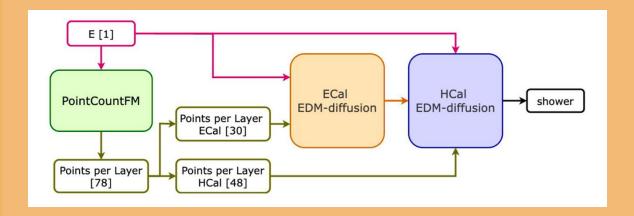
 Create a hub for ultra-fast ML techniques with wide applications, such as collider physics and seismic noise control

(Gaede, Gerberding, Haller, Kasieczka, Laue, Schröder)

SMART: Generative AI

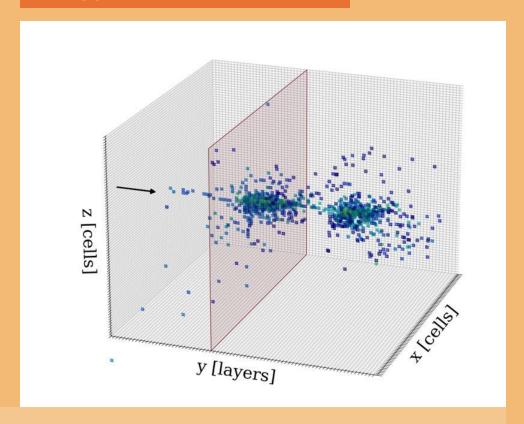
Simulation of high granular detectors via generative surrogates

→ Speed-up



1 PhDs in Foundational models [Heim]

2 PhDs in Gernative Al [Brüggen / Kasieczka]



→ Optimize detector design for FCC-ee

SMART: Fast-ML Lab



Examples of applications for fast ML-based trigger algorithms:

1. Applications of ML to decision-making in the CMS L1 trigger with microsecond latency

1 PhD in Signature based triggers [Haller / Kasieczka]

2. Real-time non-linear control for seismic isolation and suspension systems for future GW detectors, specifically the Einstein Telescope

→ Optimization and fine-tuning for specific FPGA architectures