

Status and Prospects of Electron-ion collider in China (EicC)

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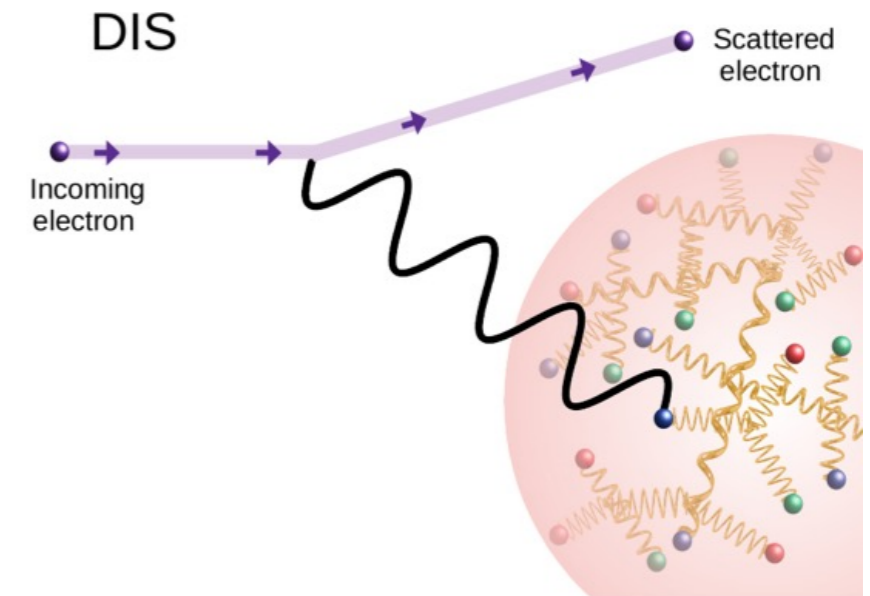
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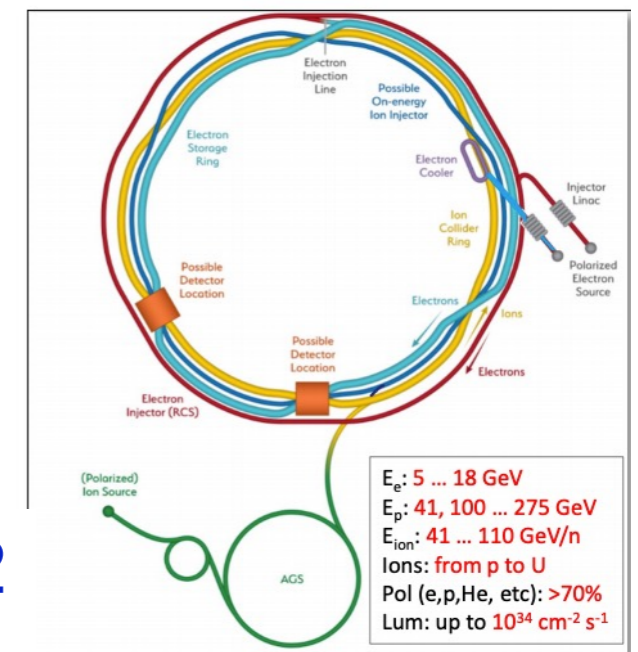
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Lepton Scattering: An Ideal Tool

- Modern “Rutherford Scattering” experiment in understanding internal structure of nucleon
 - Start from unpolarized fixed targets
 - Extended unpolarized collider experiments
 - Polarized fixed-target experiments for spin structure of nucleon
- Need polarized electron-ion collider for deeper understanding of nucleon spin structure & nuclear structure
 - High luminosity: $10^2 \sim 10^3 \times$ HERA lumi.
 - High polarization: both electron and ion beams
 - Large acceptance: nearly full detector coverage
- EIC will be built at Brookhaven National Lab. in ~ 2032 at $E_{cm} \sim 29 - 141$ GeV

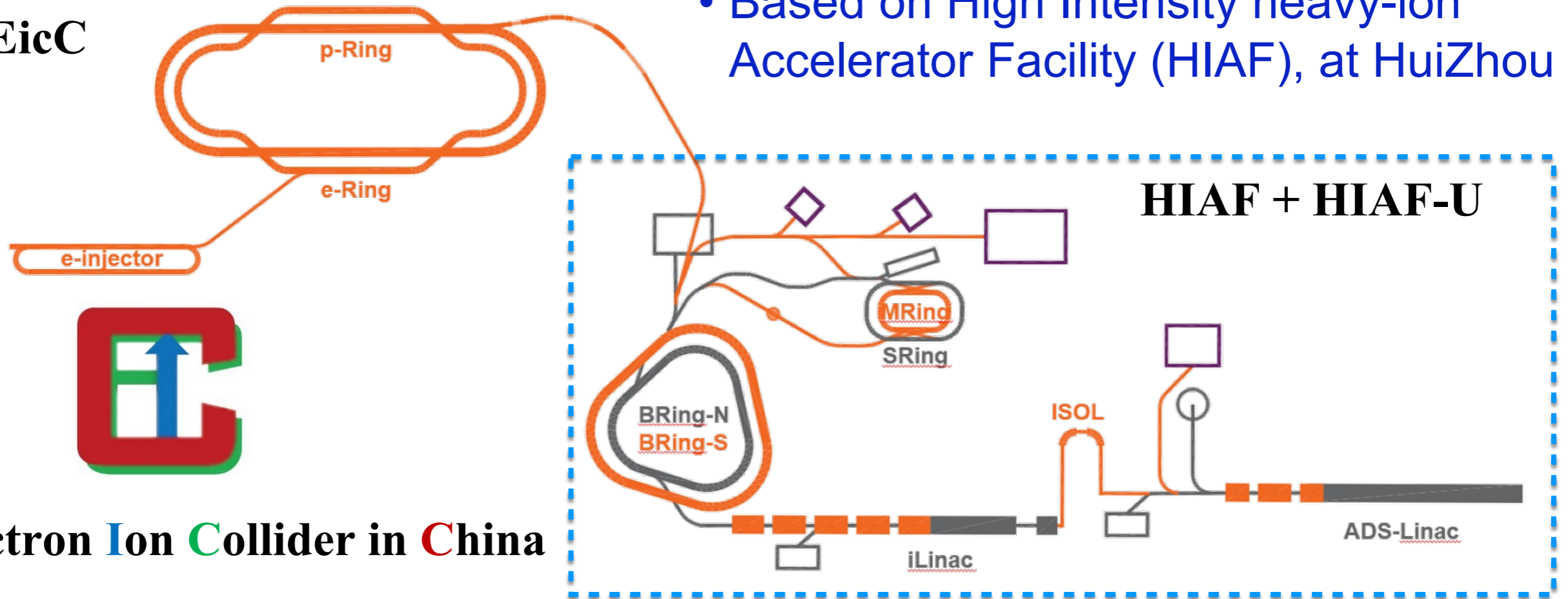


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Electron-ion collider in China (EicC)

EicC



- Based on High Intensity heavy-ion Accelerator Facility (HIAF), at HuiZhou

Electron Ion Collider in China

- Energy in c.m.: 15 ~ 20 GeV
- Electron beam: 3.5 GeV, polarization ~ 80%
- Proton beam: 20 GeV, polarization ~ 70%
- Luminosity: $\gtrsim 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$
- Other available polarized ion beams: d, $^3\text{He}^{++}$
- Available unpolarized ion beams: $^7\text{Li}^{3+}$, $^{12}\text{C}^{6+}$, $^{40}\text{Ca}^{20+}$, $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$, $^{208}\text{Pb}^{82+}$, $^{238}\text{U}^{92+}$

[Figure by EicC Accelerator WG]

HIAF in Huizhou (惠州)



HIAF in Huizhou city, Guangdong Province

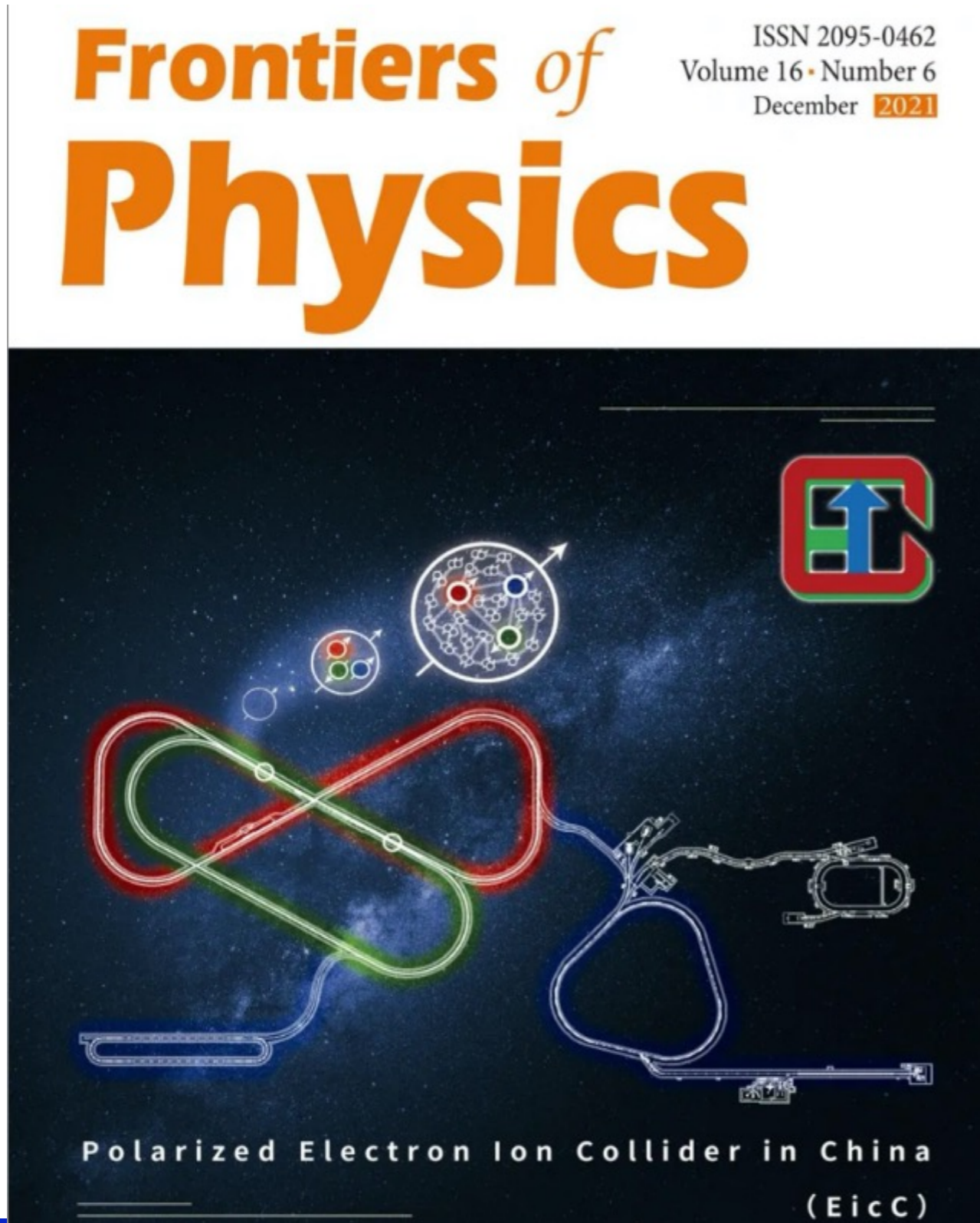


High Intensity heavy-ion Accelerator Facility

- A national facility on nuclear physics, atomic physics, heavy-ion applications ...
- Open to scientists all over the world
- Provide intense beams of primary and radioactive ions
- Beam commissioning is planned in 2025

Electron-ion collider China(EicC)

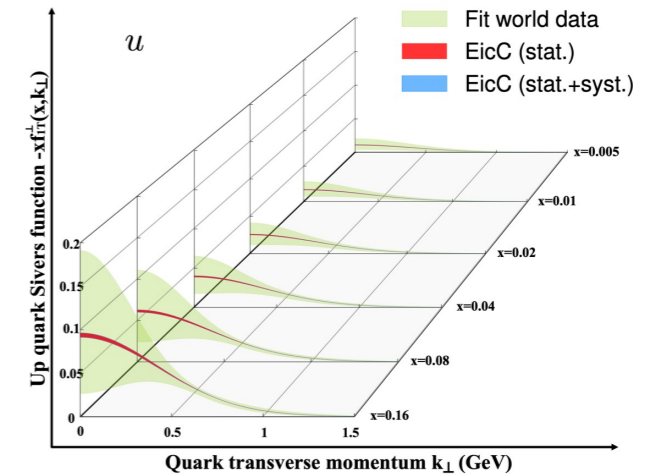
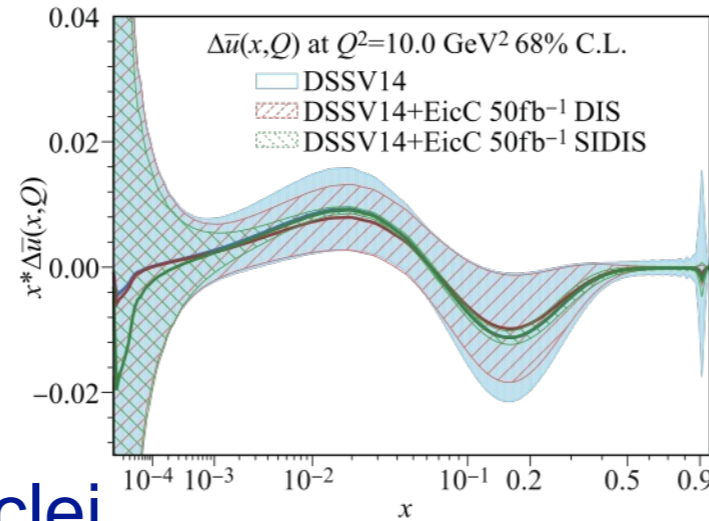
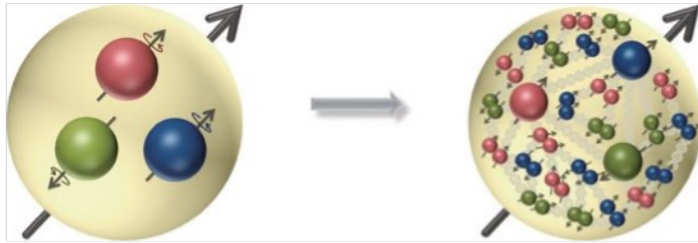
- EicC White paper: arXiv: [2102.09222](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.09222), Front. Phys.16(6), 64701 (2021)



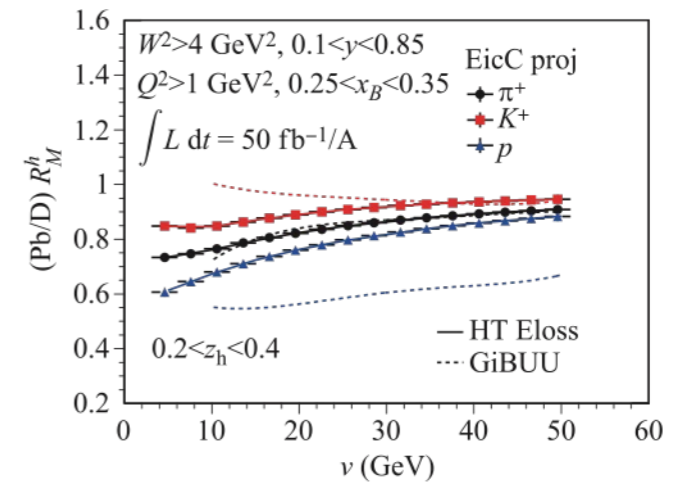
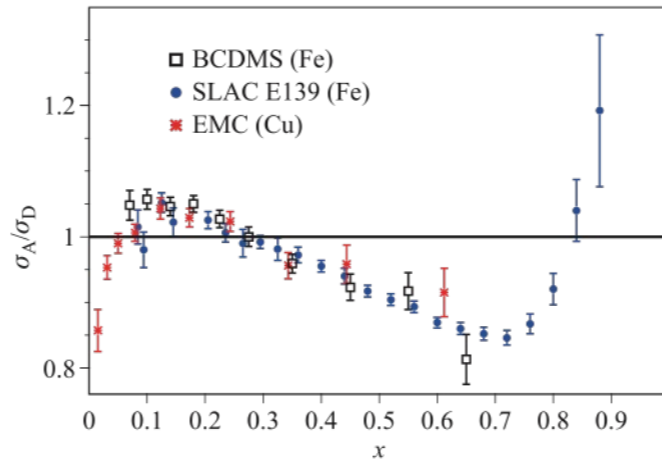
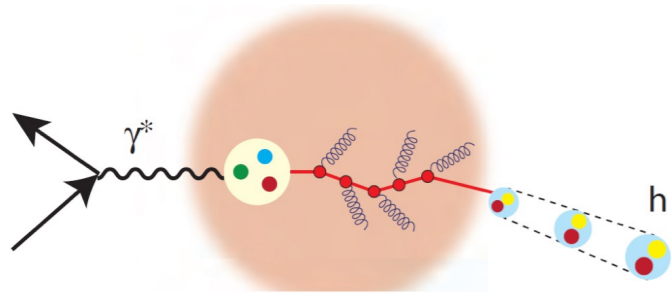
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Physics Highlights

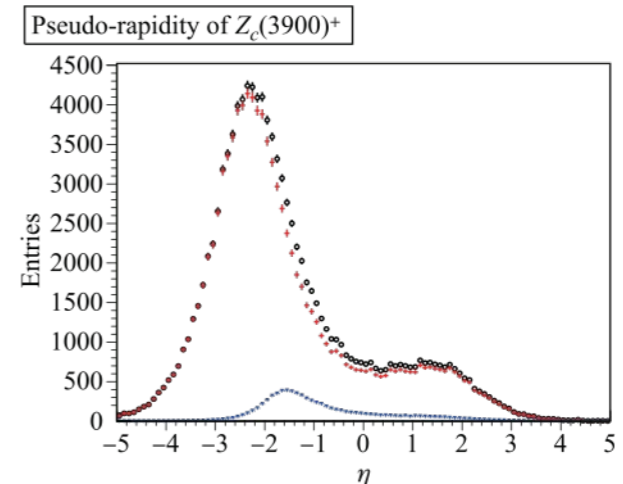
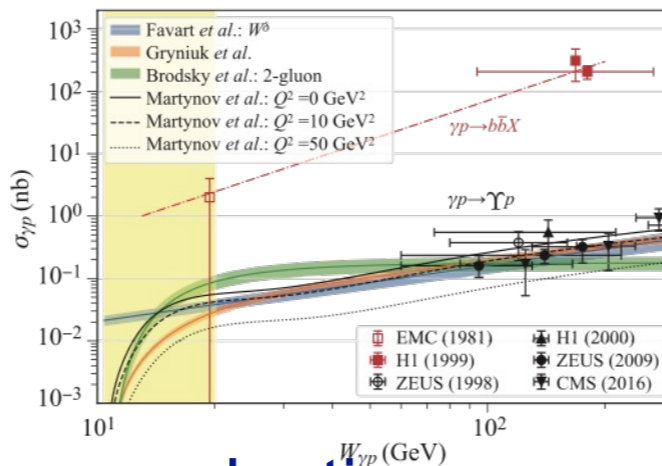
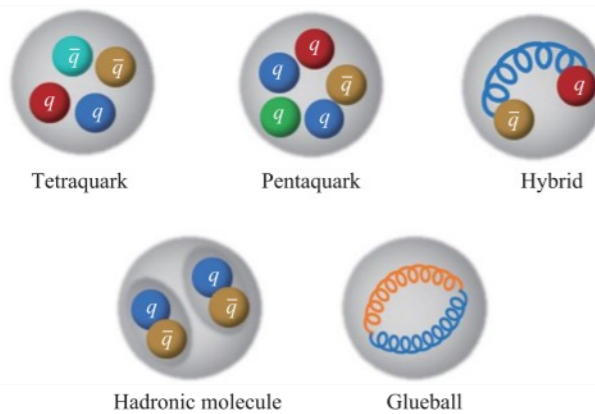
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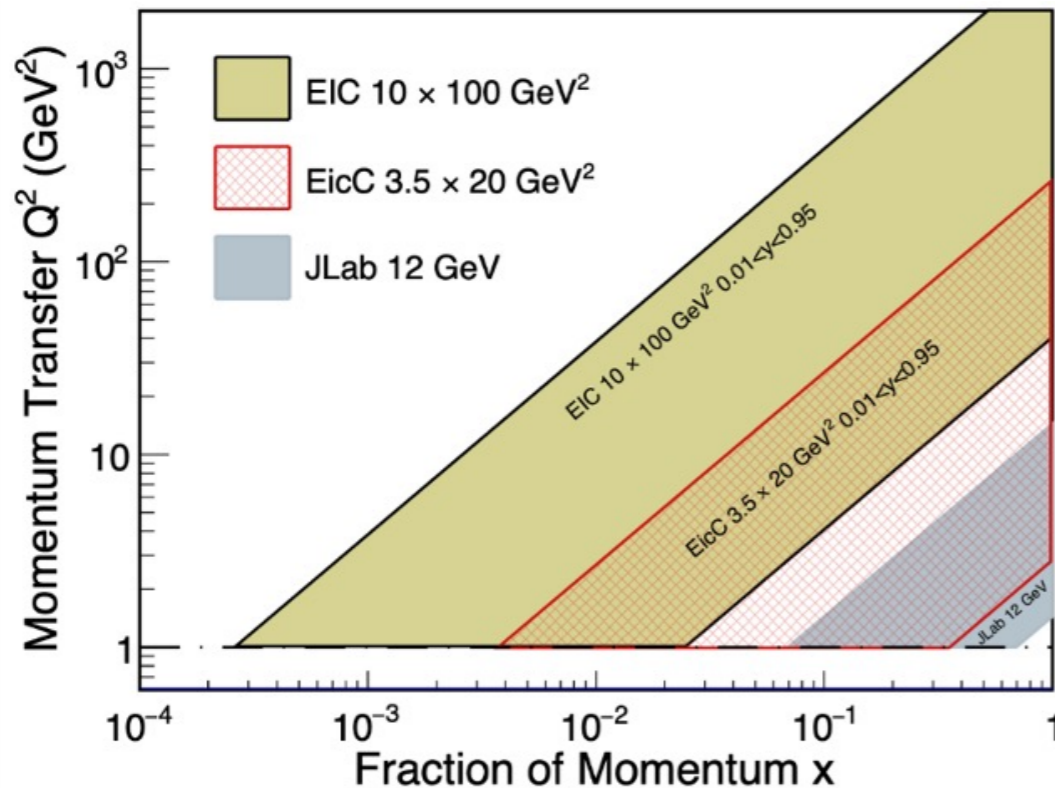


- Exotic hadronic states



- Proton mass / quarkonium production

Complementarity of EicC and EIC-US



Nucleon spin structure:

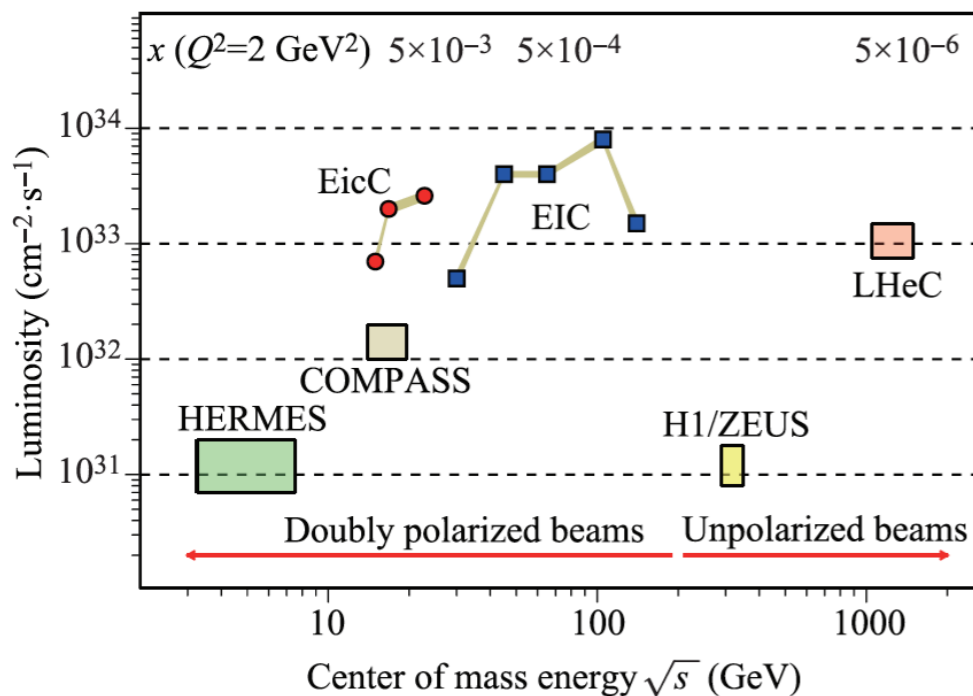
EicC is optimized to systematically explore the gluon and sea quarks in moderate x regime
At a crucial place between JLab and EIC-US

Partonic structure in nuclear environment:

Parton distribution in nuclei at moderate x
Fast parton/hadron interaction with cold nuclear matter

Exotic hadron states:

Independent confirmation of hidden-charm pentaquarks and search for hidden-bottom analogues
Exotic hadron production: final particles in mid-rapidity



Proton mass / quarkonium production:

Systematic investigation of Υ near threshold production
Complementary kinematic coverage to EIC-US
Combine with J/ψ production at JLab

[Figures from EicC White paper]

Physics Processes

- **Inclusive DIS at a large momentum transfer**

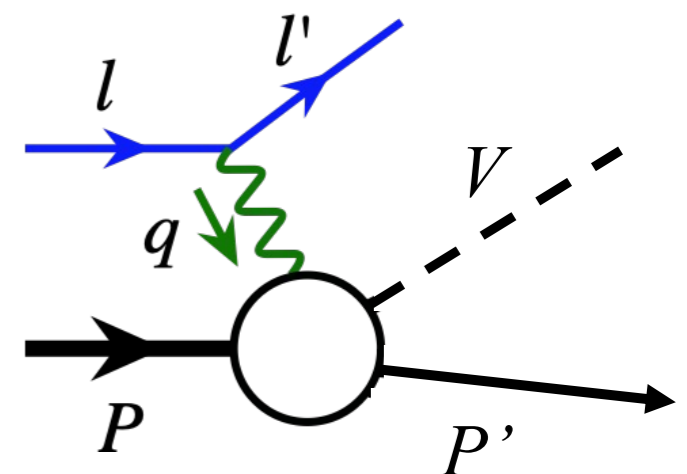
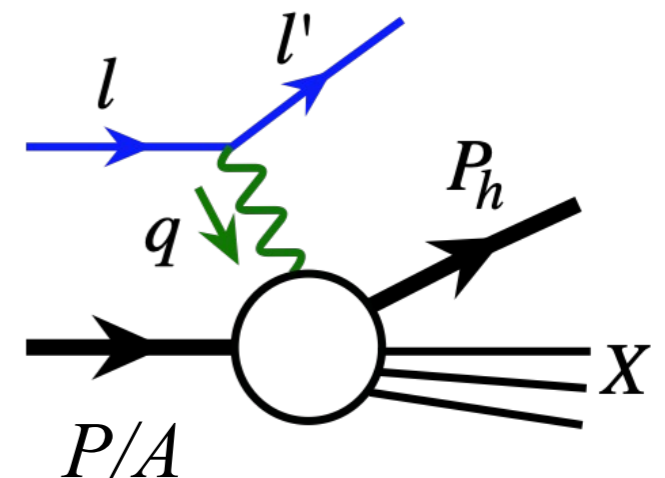
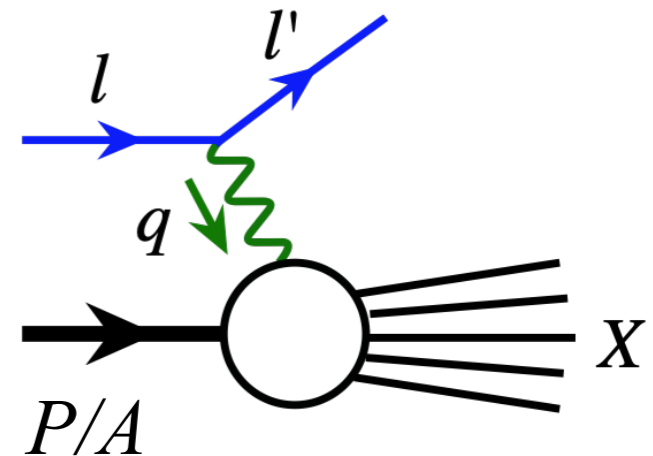
- dominated by the scattering of the lepton off an active quark/parton
- collinear factorization
- indirectly “see” quarks, gluons and their dynamics

- **Semi-inclusive DIS**

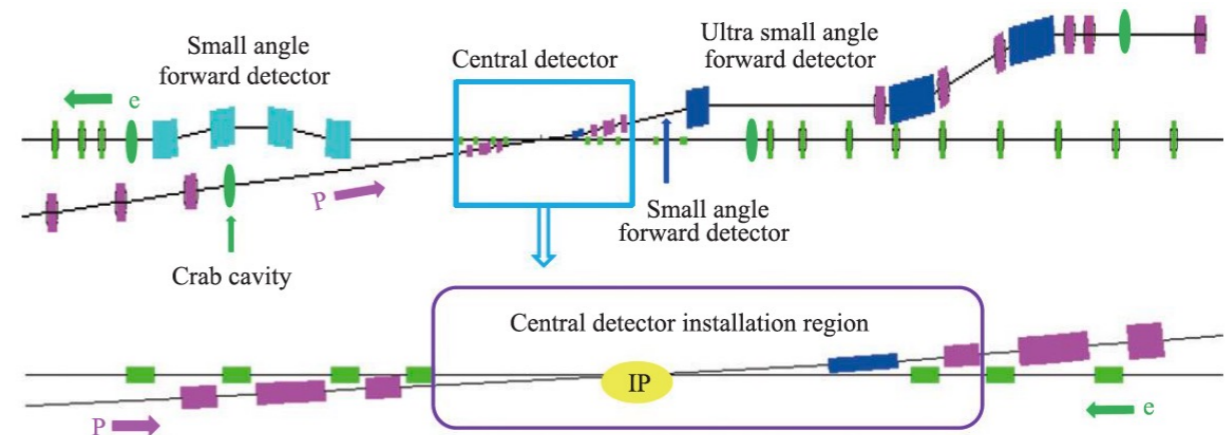
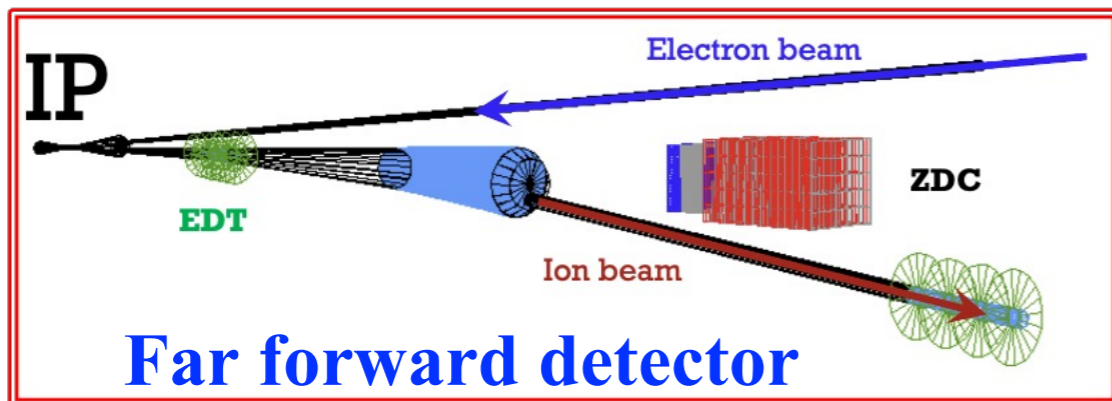
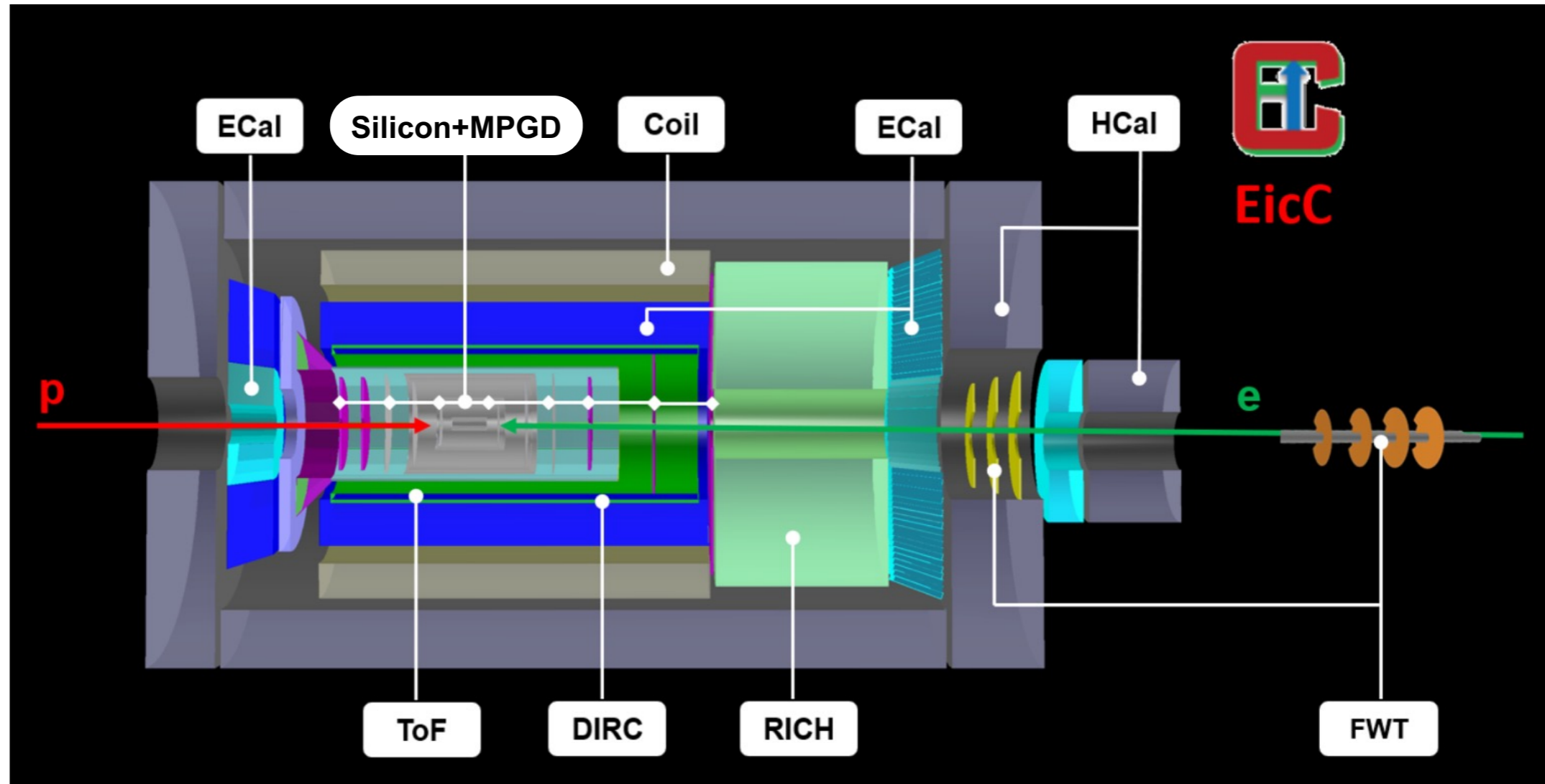
- identify a final state hadron
- explore the emergence of hadrons from colored quarks/gluons
- flavor dependence by selecting different observed hadrons

- **Exclusive process**

- identify all the final state particles
- explore the exotic hadron states, proton mass

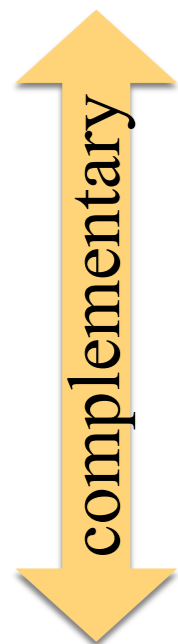


Conceptual Design of the EicC Detector

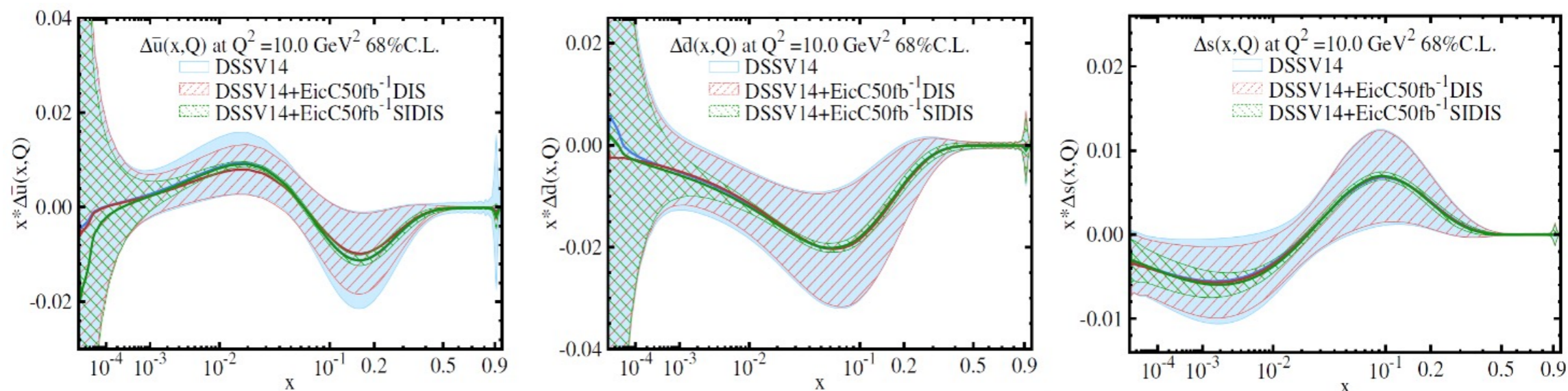


EicC Impact: Helicity distribution

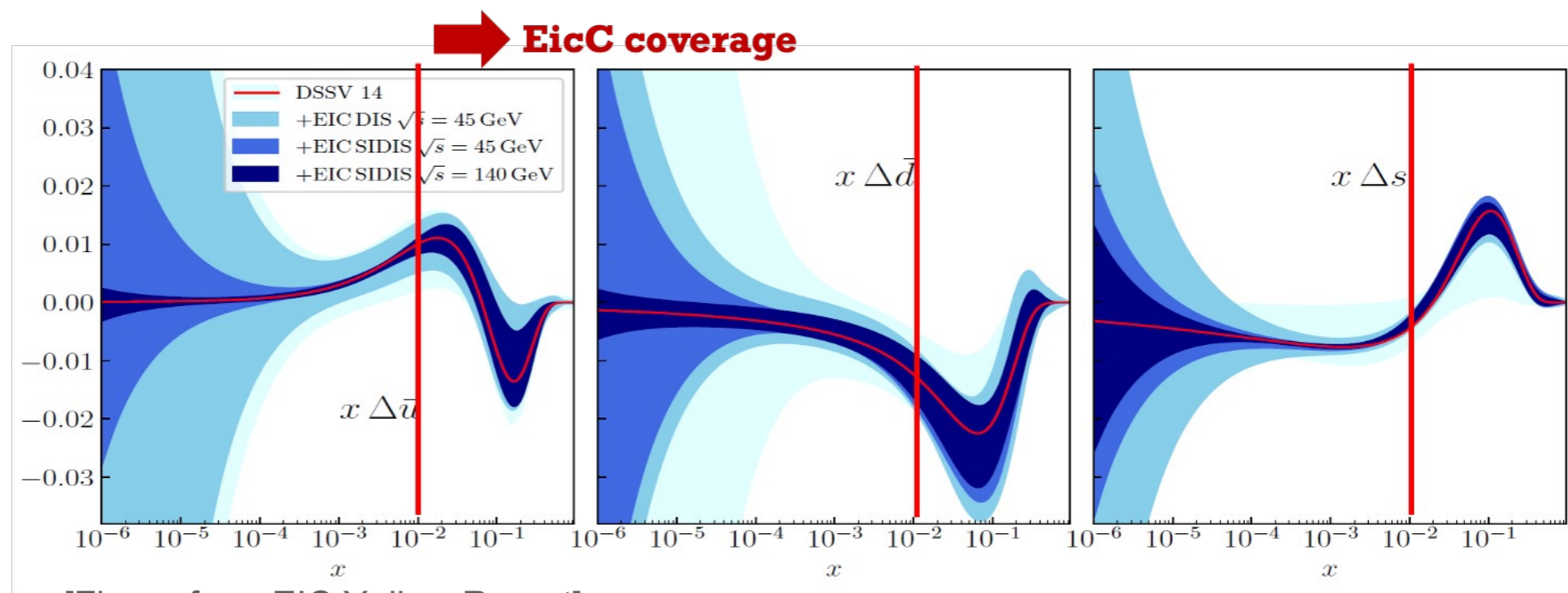
EicC:



EIC-US:



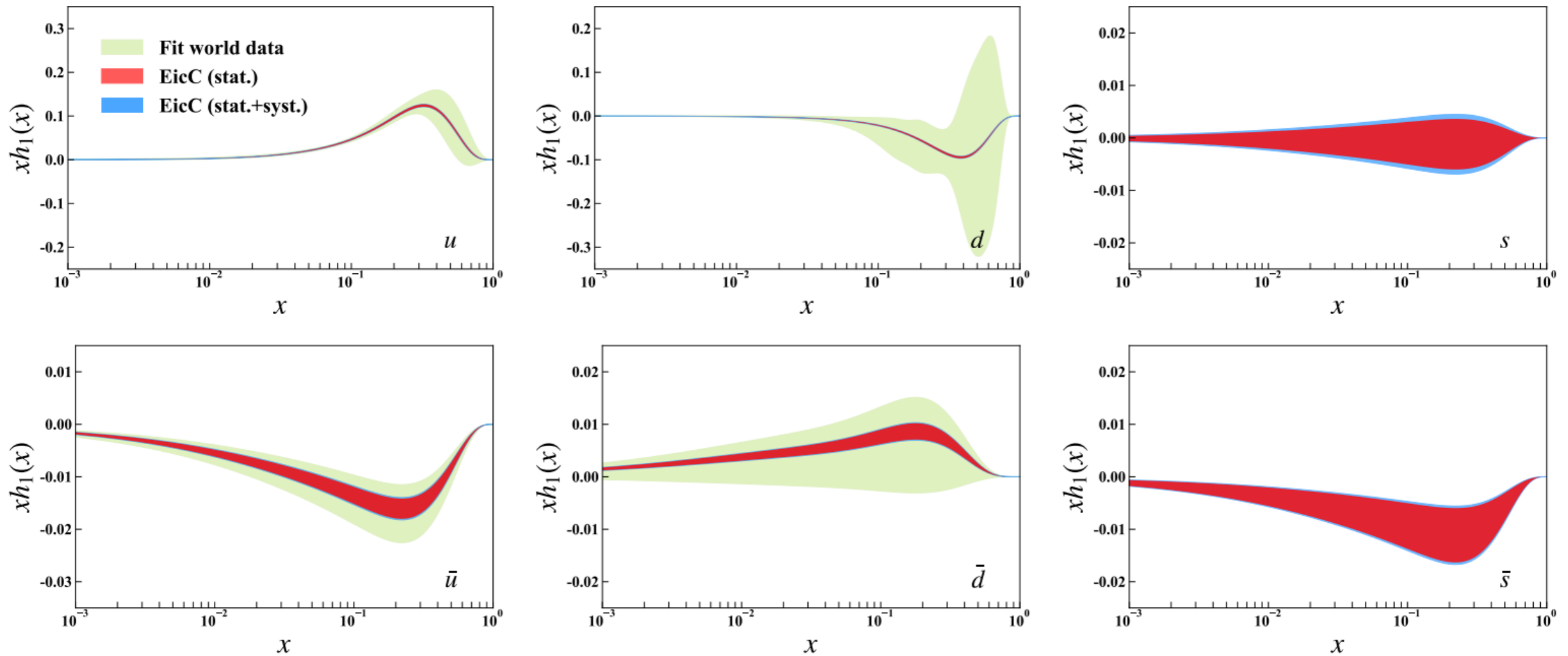
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[Figure from EIC Yellow Report]

EicC Impact: Transversity and Collins

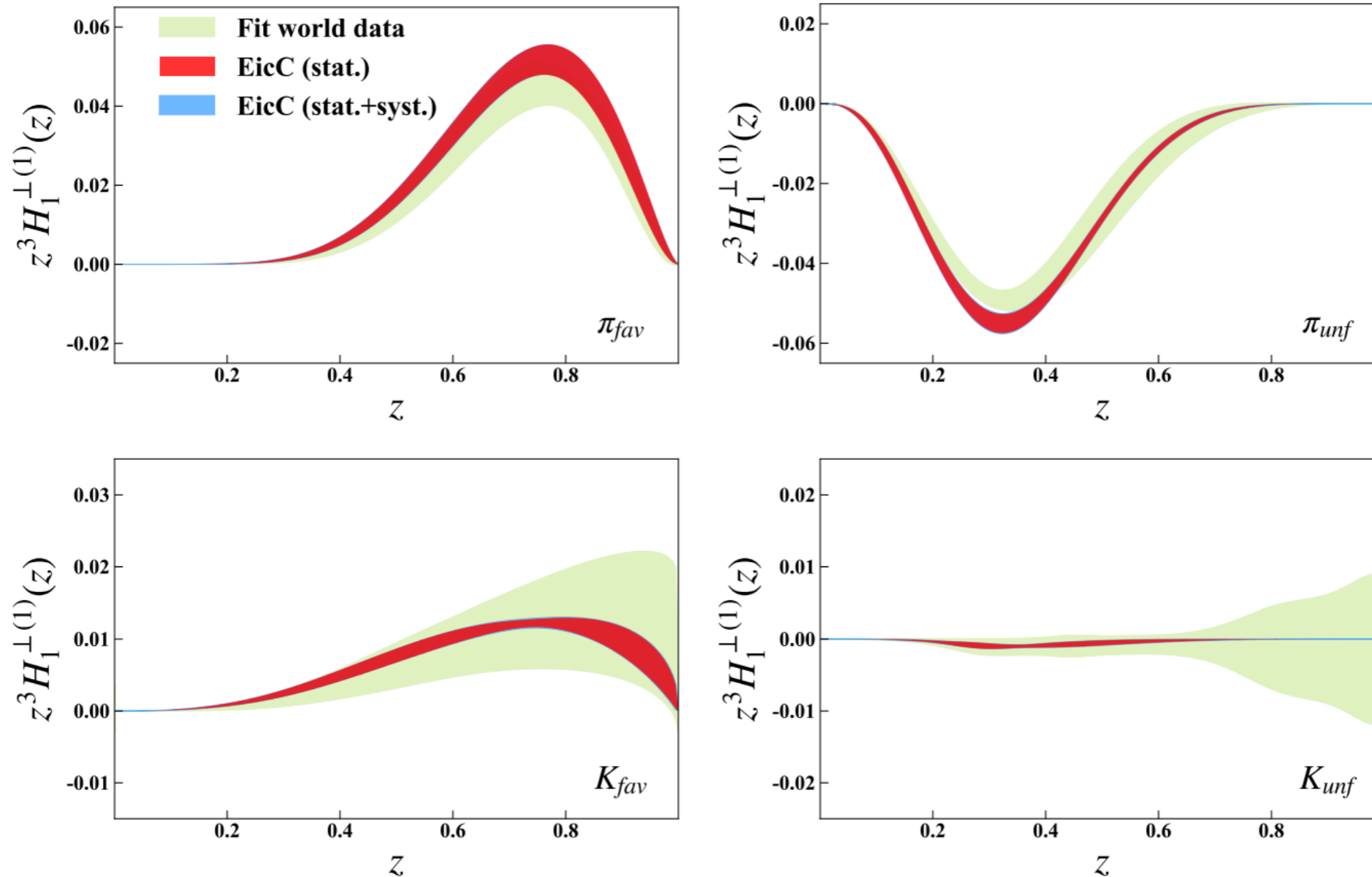
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EicC Impact: Transversity and Collins

- Fit results and EicC impact: Collins fragmentation functions

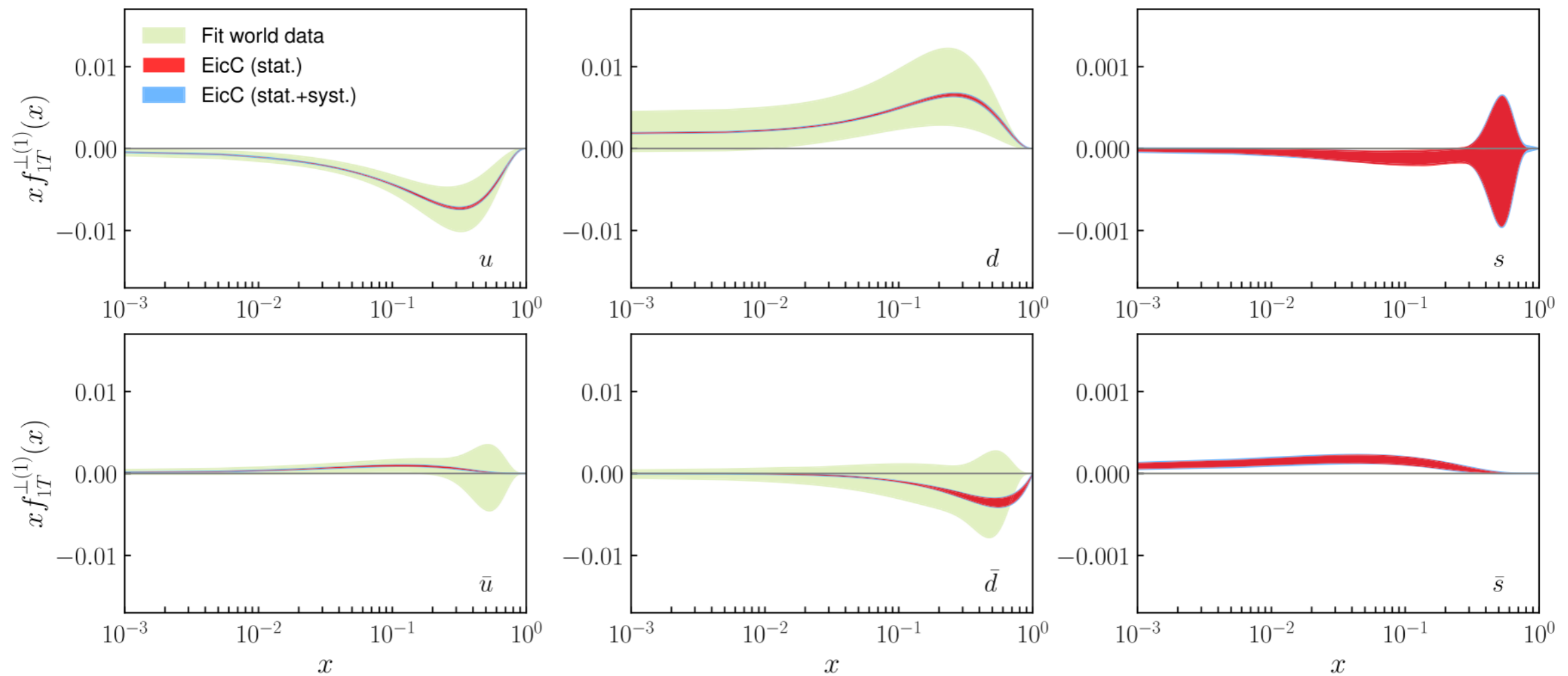


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EicC Impact: Sivers function

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$$f_{1T}^{\perp(1)}(x) = \pi \int d\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 \frac{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2}{2M^2} f_{1T}^{\perp}(x, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2)$$



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EicC CDR in preparation

Volume I: Accelerator

Volume II: Physics and Detectors

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- Final version expected by the end of 2024

CDR Working Groups

Accelerator

- 1) EicC Accelerators
- 2) Ion Sources
- 3) Ion Machine
- 5) Electron Machine
- 5) Polarization
- 6) Electron cooling
- 7) IR
- 8) Common System

EicC CDR Volume I

Physics

- 1) 1D spin
- 2) 3D spin (TMDs + GPDs)
- 3) Exotic states
- 4) EHM and proton mass
- 5) Nuclei
- 6) LQCD
- 7) DSE
- 8) New ideas

EicC CDR Volume II

Detector

- 1) Vertexing + tracking
- 2) PID
- 3) Calorimetry
- 4) IR + Magnet
- 5) Luminosity and polarimetry
- 6) Forward detector
- 7) DAQ
- 8) Simulations

Software: EicCRoot

EicC Detector: Physics Requirement

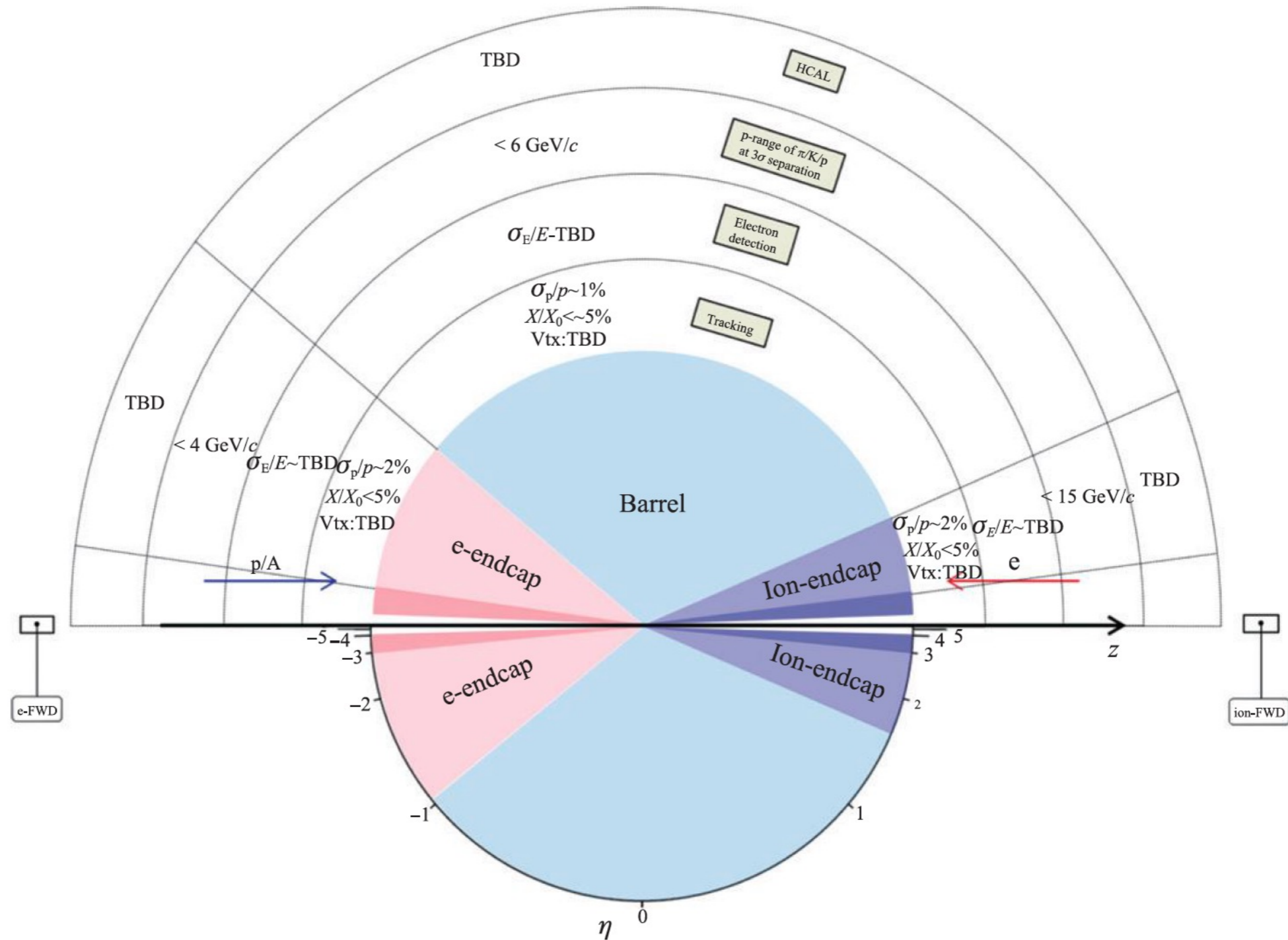


Fig. 4.7 Physics requirements for EicC.

[Figure from EicC White paper]

EicC Detector design- evolving to CDR

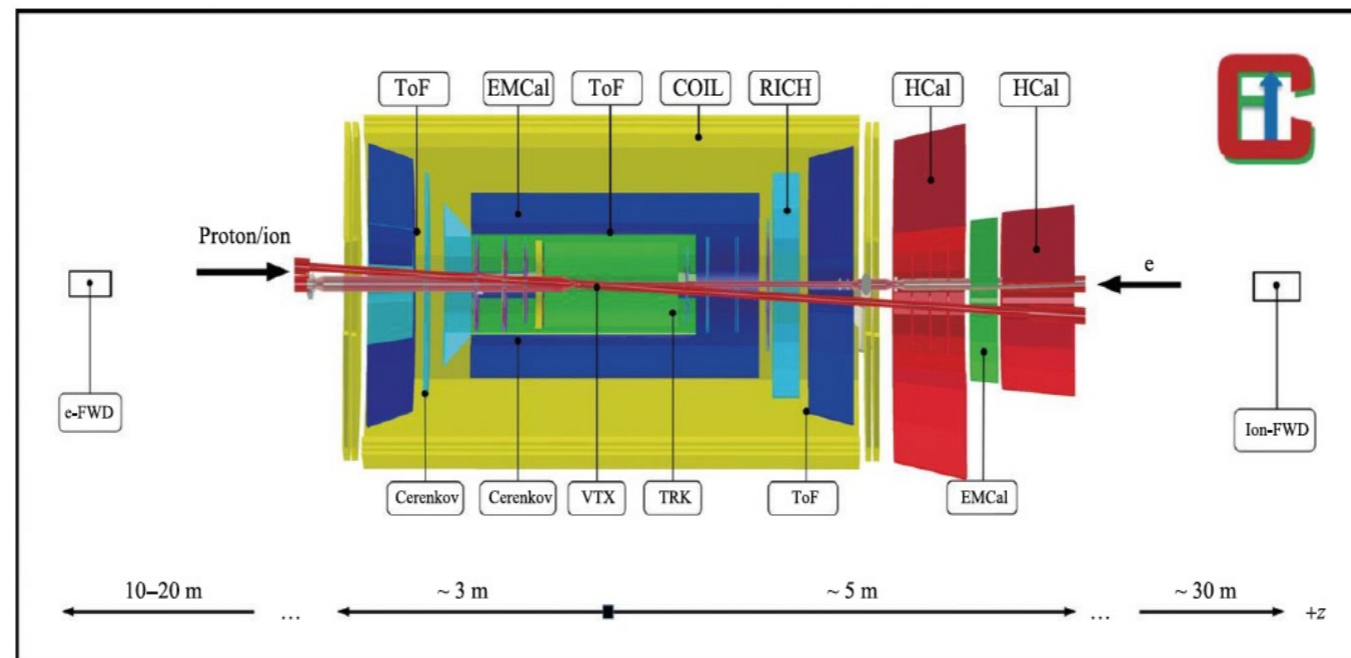
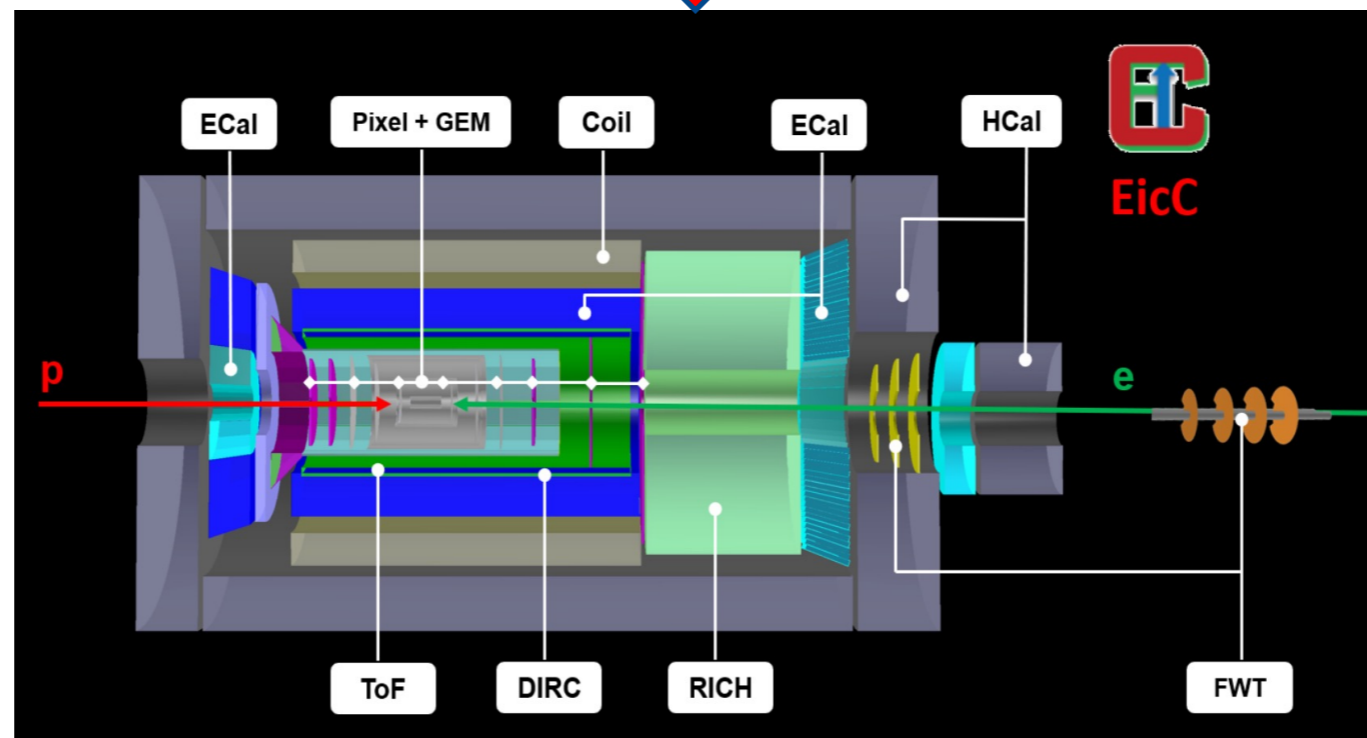


Fig. 4.10 Conceptual design of the EicC detector.



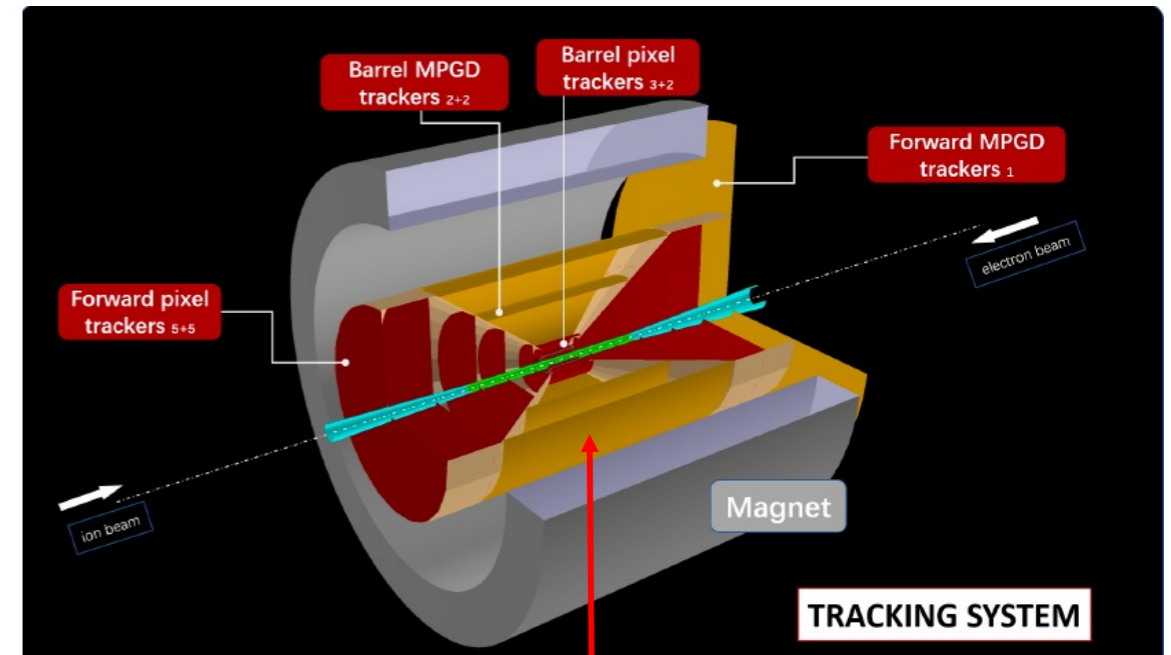
[Figure by EicC Detector WG]

I. Vertex and tracking detectors

- Physics requirements for EicC tracking:

- Assume $B \sim 1.5$ T

- ◆ Barrel ($-1 < \eta < 1.6$):
 - $\sigma(p)/p \sim 1\%$ @ 1GeV;
- ◆ E-endcap ($-3 < \eta < -1$):
 - $\sigma(p)/p \sim 2\%$ @ 1GeV;
- ◆ P-endcap ($1.6 < \eta < 3$):
 - $\sigma(p)/p \sim 2\%$ @ 1GeV;

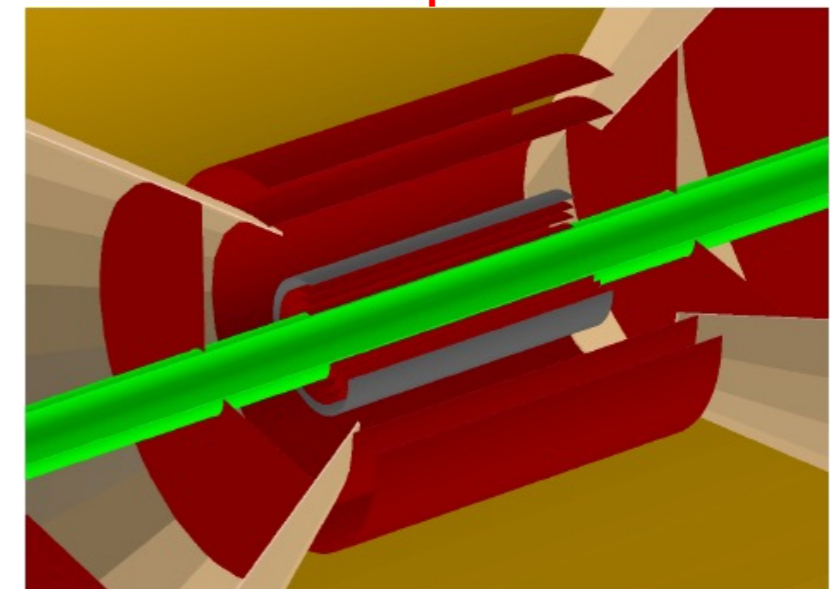


[Figure by EicC Detector WG]

- Silicon+MPGD hybrid design

- Silicon tracking detector concept

- Reduced Material budget is **$\sim 0.26\%$**
- Optimal Pixel size: **10 to 20 micron**
- Thickness: **50 micron**

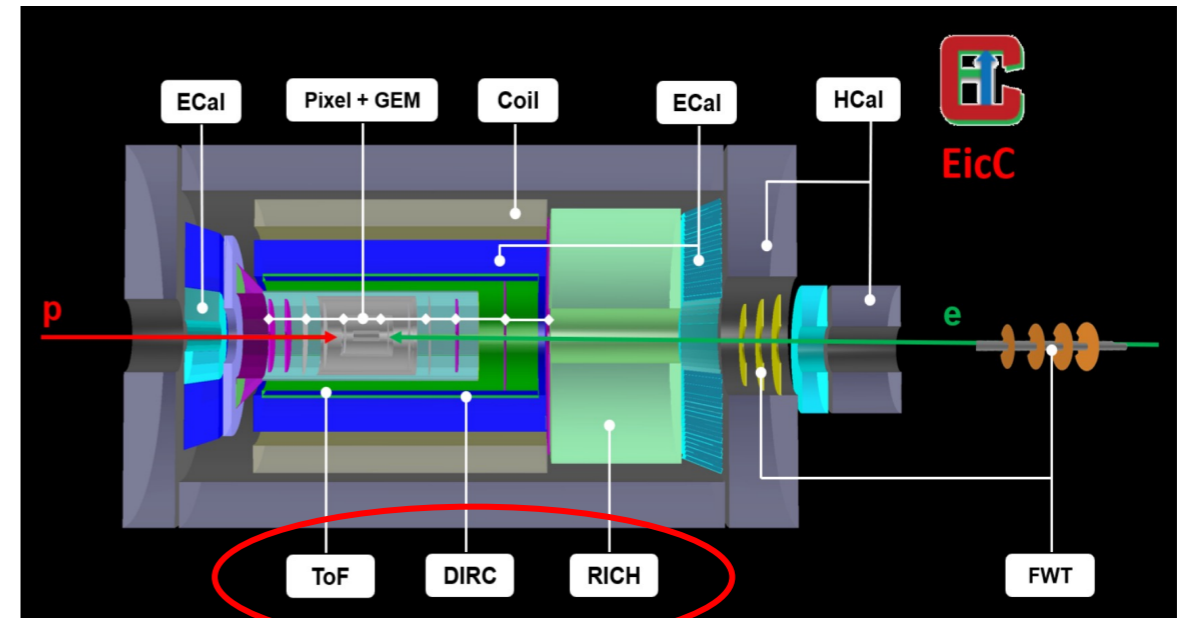


the vertex and inner tracker

2. PID detectors

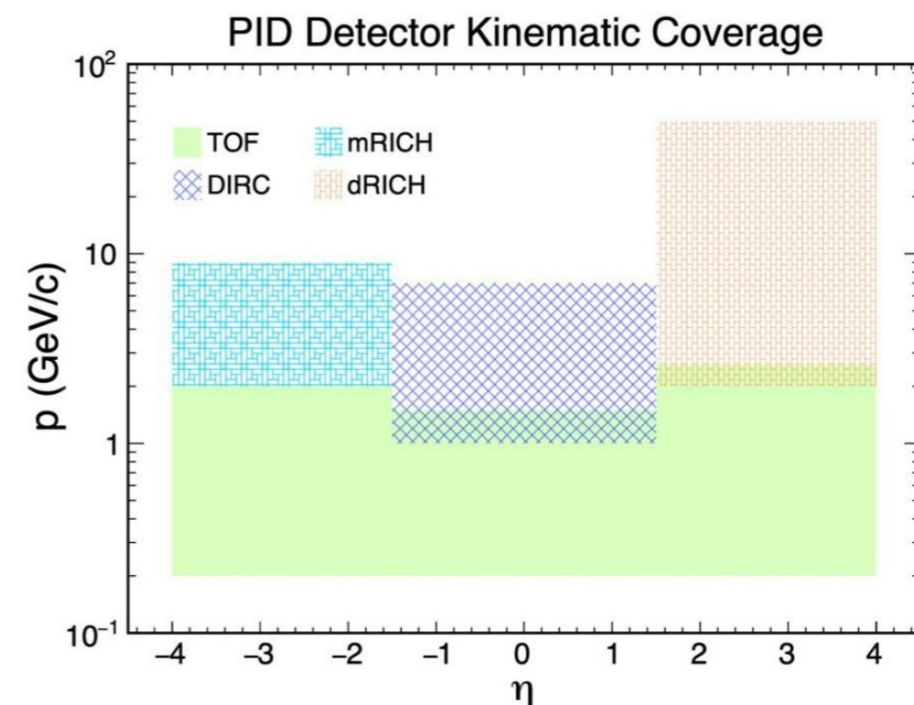
- PID design concept:

- Barrel region: DIRC+TOF
- Backward e-Endcap: mRICH
- Forward ion-Endcap: dRICH



- PID momentum coverage:

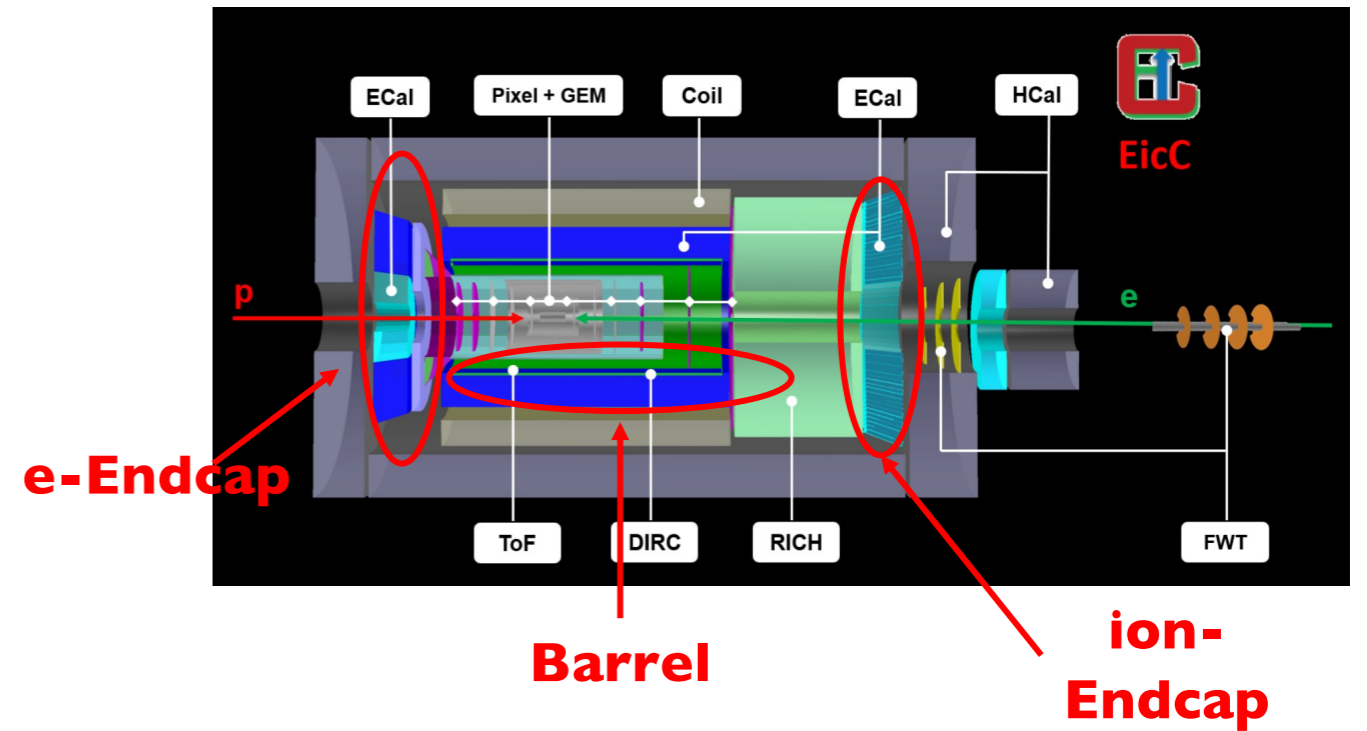
- <6 GeV/c at Barrel
- <4 GeV/c at e-Endcap;
- <15 GeV/c at ion-Endcap ;



[Figure by EicC Detector WG]

3. Calorimeter system

- General EMCal requirement:
 - E-endcap: energy resolution, $2.5\%/\sqrt{E}$
 - Barrel: good angle resolution, $5.0\%/\sqrt{E}$
 - Ion-endcap: angle resolution, $5.0\%/\sqrt{E}$

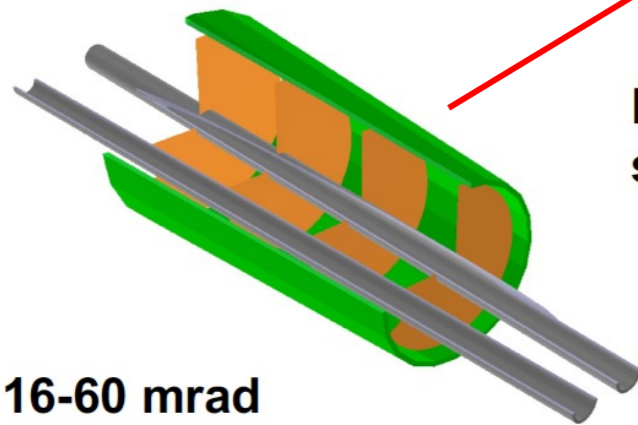
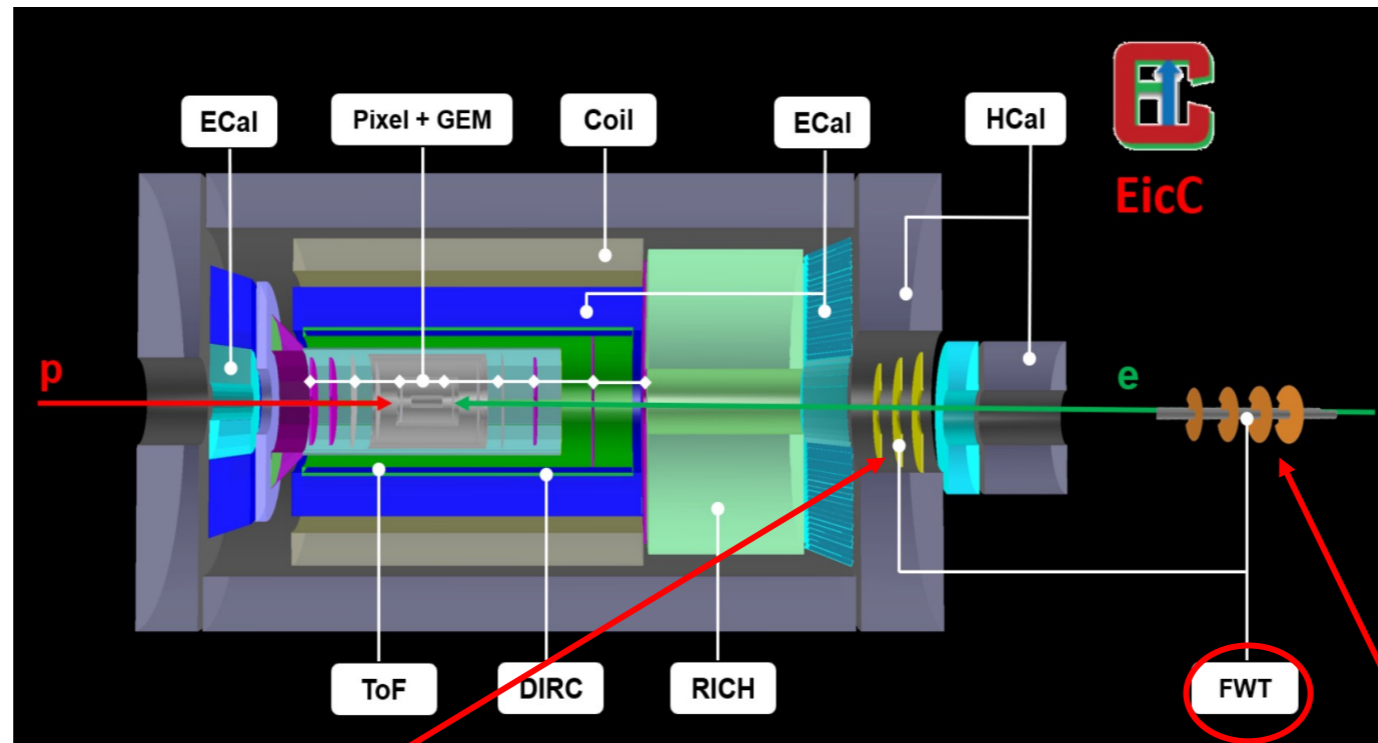


- General design of EMCal:

	EMC	type	z/r[m]	Length[cm], X_0	Coverage[cm]	pseudorapidity y	Tower size
EicC	e-endcap	CsI/crystal	Z=-1.5	30, $16X_0$	$15.0 < r < 128$	$(-3.0, -1.0)$	4.0*4.0(front)
	barrel	Shashlik	R=0.9	45, $16X_0$	$-105.8 < z < 187.5$	$(-1.0, 1.5)$	4.0*4.0 (front)
	Ion-endcap	Shashlik	Z=2.4	45, $16X_0$	$24.0 < r < 113$	$(1.5, 3.0)$	(front)

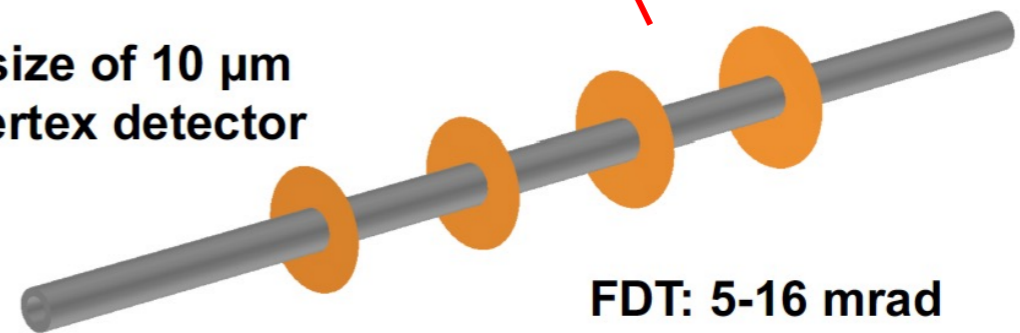
4. Far Forward Detectors

- General design concept for far forward detectors EDT+FDT:



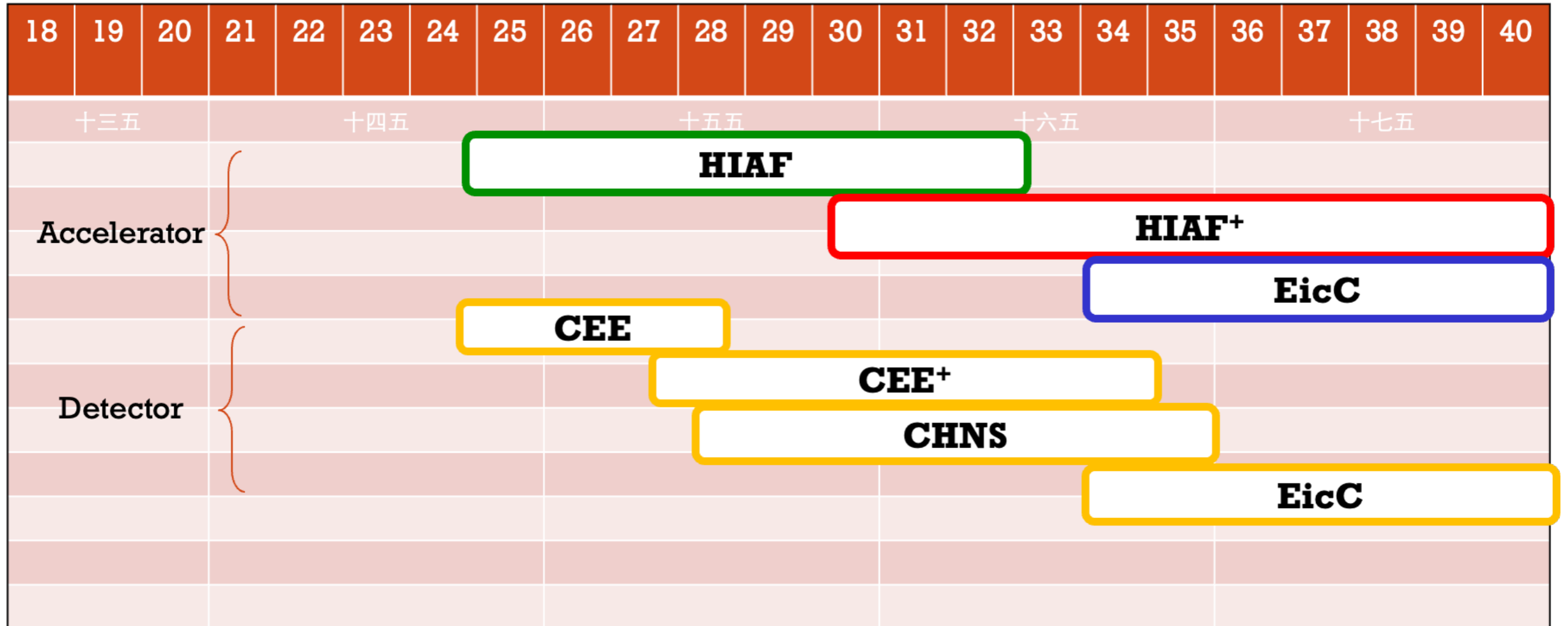
EDT: 16-60 mrad
EDT (Endcap Dipole Tracking)

Four disks with pixel size of 10 μm
same as the central vertex detector



FDT: 5-16 mrad
FDT (Forward Dipole Tracking)

EicC @HIAF Timeline



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