

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker Upgrade Status

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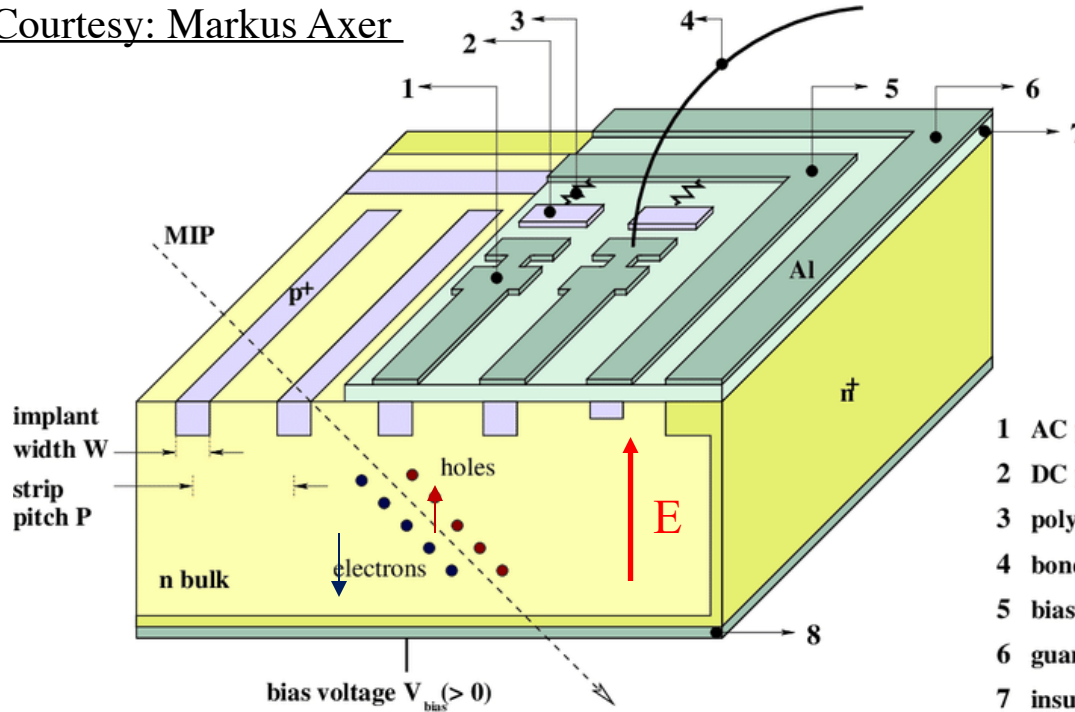


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# Brief Introduction to Silicon Strip Detectors

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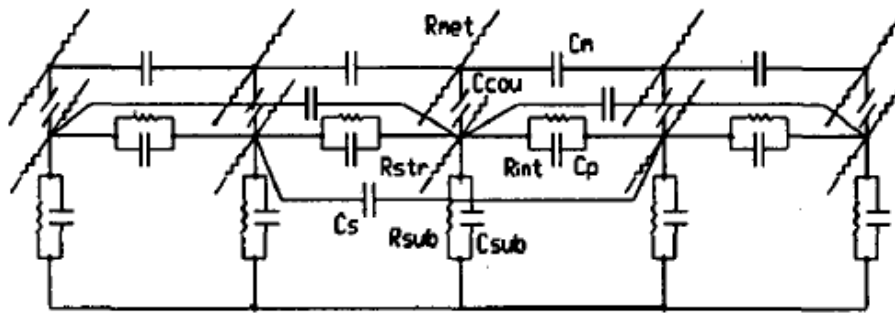


AC-coupled p-in-n Si strip sensor

- reverse bias of p-n junction to deplete free charges in Silicon
- ionization signal proportional to thickness:  $\sim 300\text{-}500$  microns
- noise linearly depends on input capacitance  $C_{sub} + C_p$  to FEE preamplifier: typically  $\sim 1\text{pF/cm}$

- 1 AC pad
- 2 DC pad
- 3 polyresistor
- 4 bond wire to readout
- 5 bias ring (ground)
- 6 guard ring
- 7 insulating layer
- 8 aluminium backplane (positive HV)

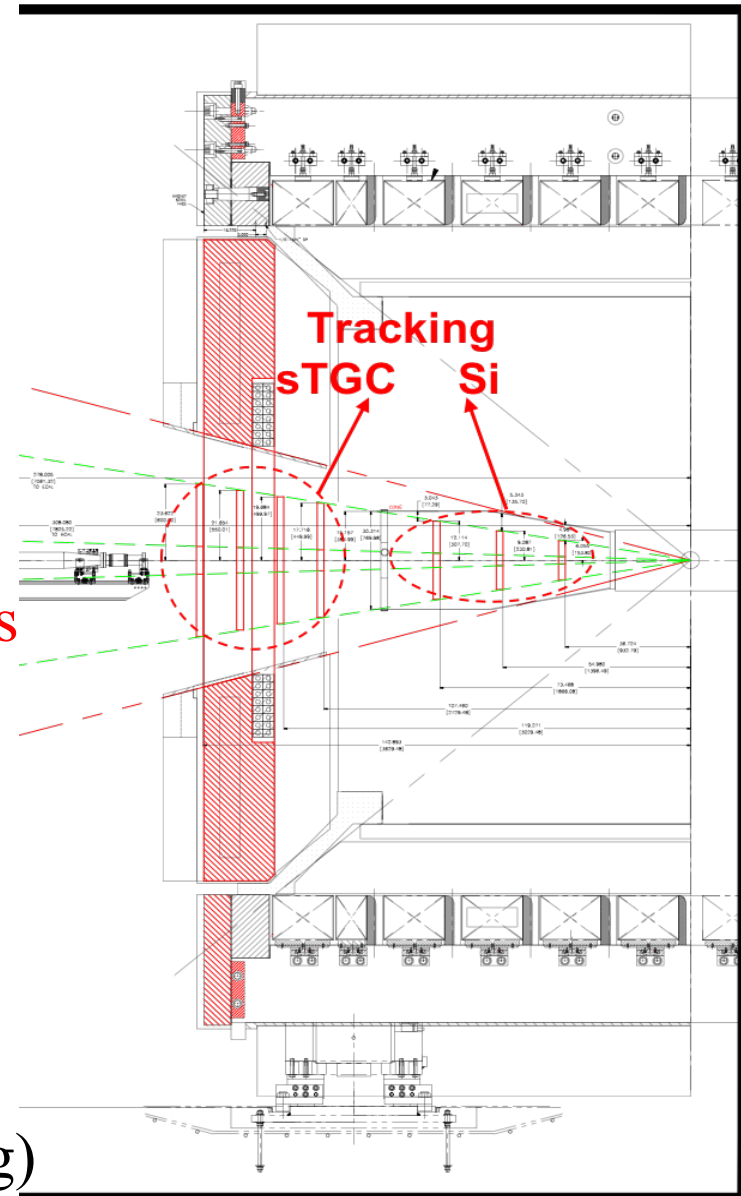
- Resolution
- Efficiency
- Lifetime
- Cost



$R_{net}$	Resistance of the Al strip
$R_{str}$	Resistance of the p+ implant
$R_{sub}$	Resistance between p+ implant and backside
$R_{int}$	Interstrip resistance with first neighbours
$C_{cou}$	Coupling capacitance
$C_{sub}$	Substrate capacitance
$C_p$	First neighbour capacitance
$C_s$	Second neighbour capacitance
$C_m$	Intermetal capacitance

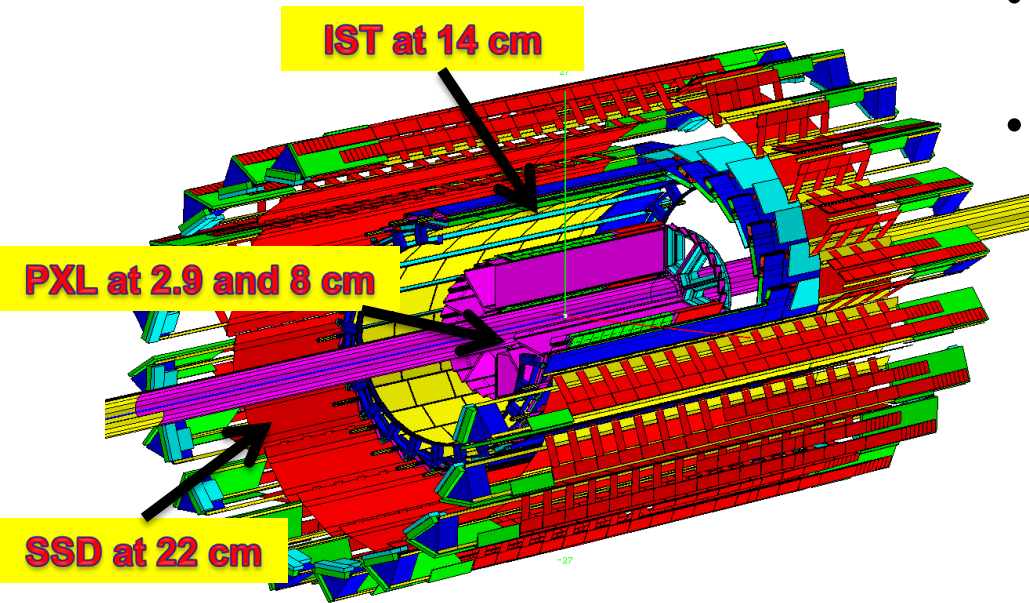
N. Bacchetta et al., 1995

- **Forward Tracking System** provides
  - high tracking efficiency
  - charge separation
  - momentum measurement (20-30%) for charged particles in  $2.5 < \eta < 4$  in p+p, p+Au and Au+Au collisions.
- **Forward Tracking System** includes
  - 3 layers of **Silicon microstrip detectors**
  - 4 layers of small Thin Gap Chambers inside a 0.5T solenoidal magnetic field.
- **Forward Silicon Tracker**
  - fine  $\phi$  segmentation and coarse in r
  - low material budget
  - cost effective (reuse IST DAQ/cooling)



# STAR Heavy Flavor Tracker in 2014-2016

- 2 layers of thin Silicon MAPS (PXL) 360M pixels, each  $12 \times 12 \mu\text{m}$
- 2 layers of Si strip sensors (IST/SSD) fast readout, bridging TPC/PXL

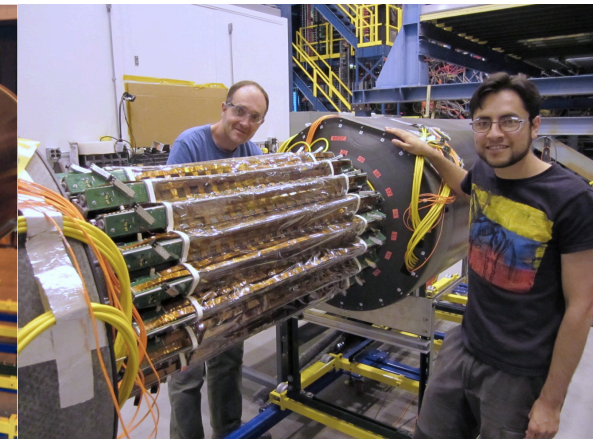
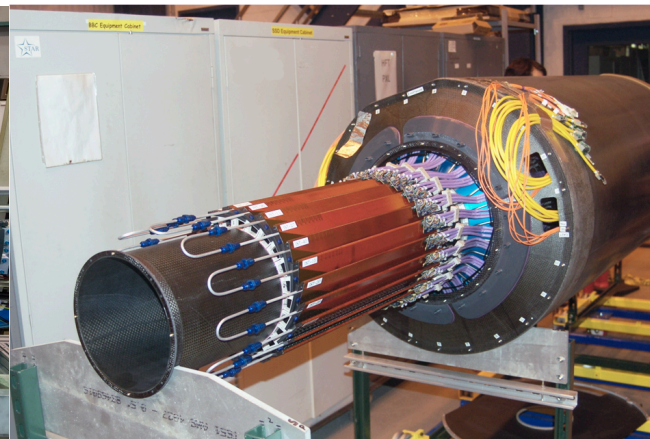
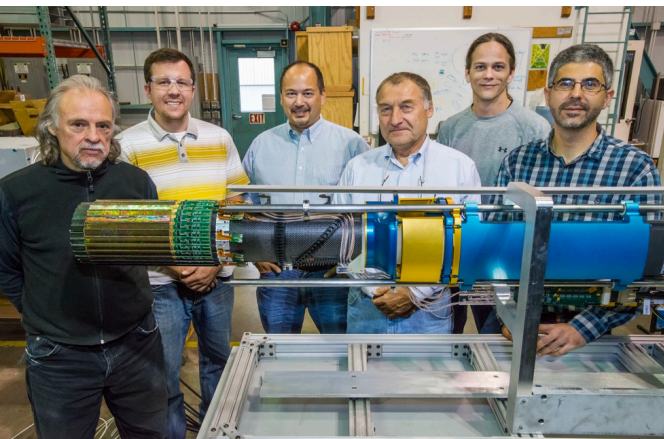


Detector	Radius (cm)	Hit Resolution R/ $\phi$ - Z ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Radiation length
SSD	22	20 / 740	1% $X_0$
IST	14	170 / 1800	<1.5 % $X_0$
PXL	8	12 / 12	$\sim 0.6$ % $X_0$
	2.9	12 / 12	$\sim 0.4$ % $X_0$

PXL

IST

SSD



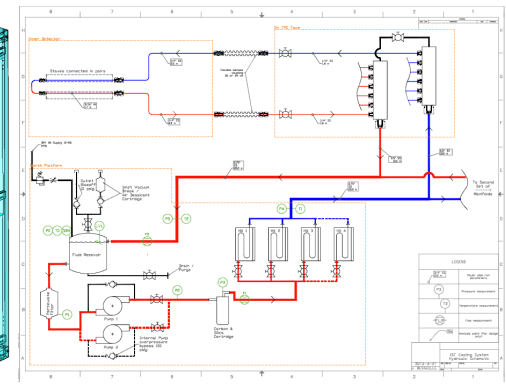
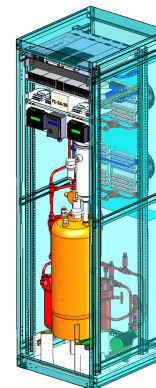
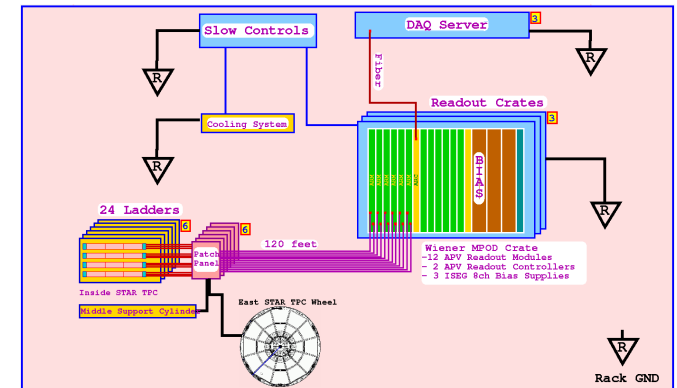
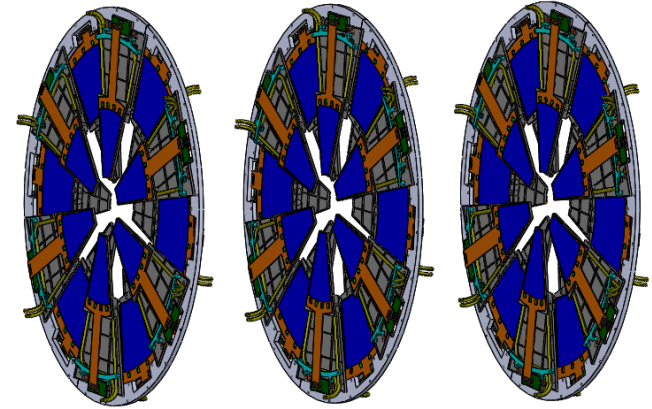
- **A very successful run for IST in 2014**
  - Operational with beam for more than 110 days since March 15
  - Participated in physics data taking for low/medium/high luminosity Au+Au @ 200 GeV and most of the He3+Au collisions
- **Performance exceeds all of the optimal specifications**

	Functional parameter	Threshold value	Optimal value	Achieved
7	IST hit efficiency and noise	> 90% from S/N better than 10:1	> 95% from S/N better than 15:1	~99% S/N 15:1-30:1
8	IST Live channels	> 85%	> 95%	>95%
10	IST Readout speed and dead time	< 5% additional dead time at 1 kHz average trigger rate and simulated occupancy	~2% additional dead time at 1kHz average trigger rate and simulated occupancy	~0%

- **All project deliverables are provided**

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker

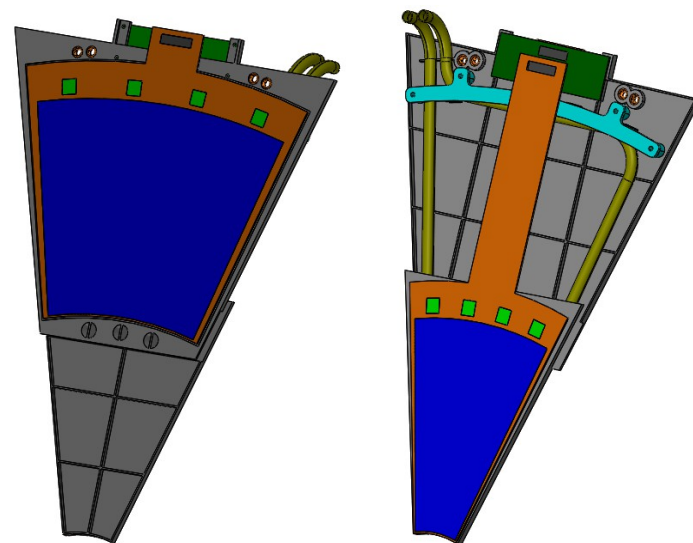
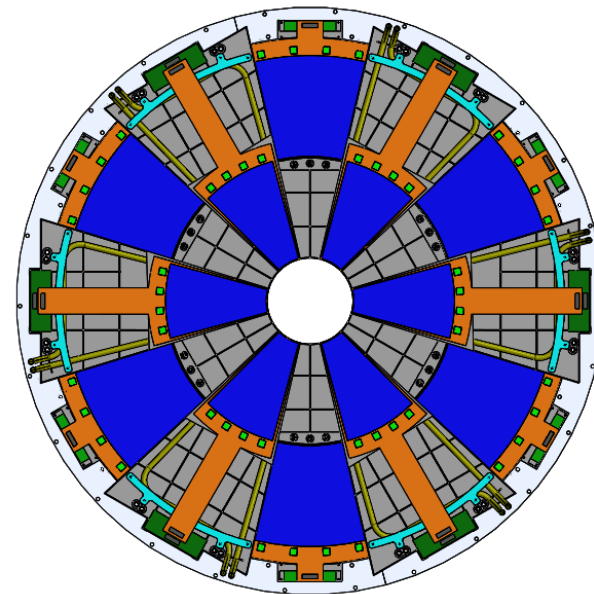
- Three layers of identical Silicon disks
  - Silicon microstrip sensors
  - APV25 frontend readout chips
  - Flexible hybrid
  - Mechanical structure
- DAQ system
  - Inner signal cables
  - Outer signal cables, patch panel boards, readout modules, readout controllers, crates
- Cooling system
  - cooling manifold, cooling lines
  - rack (cooler, pumps)
- Integration
  - supporting structure



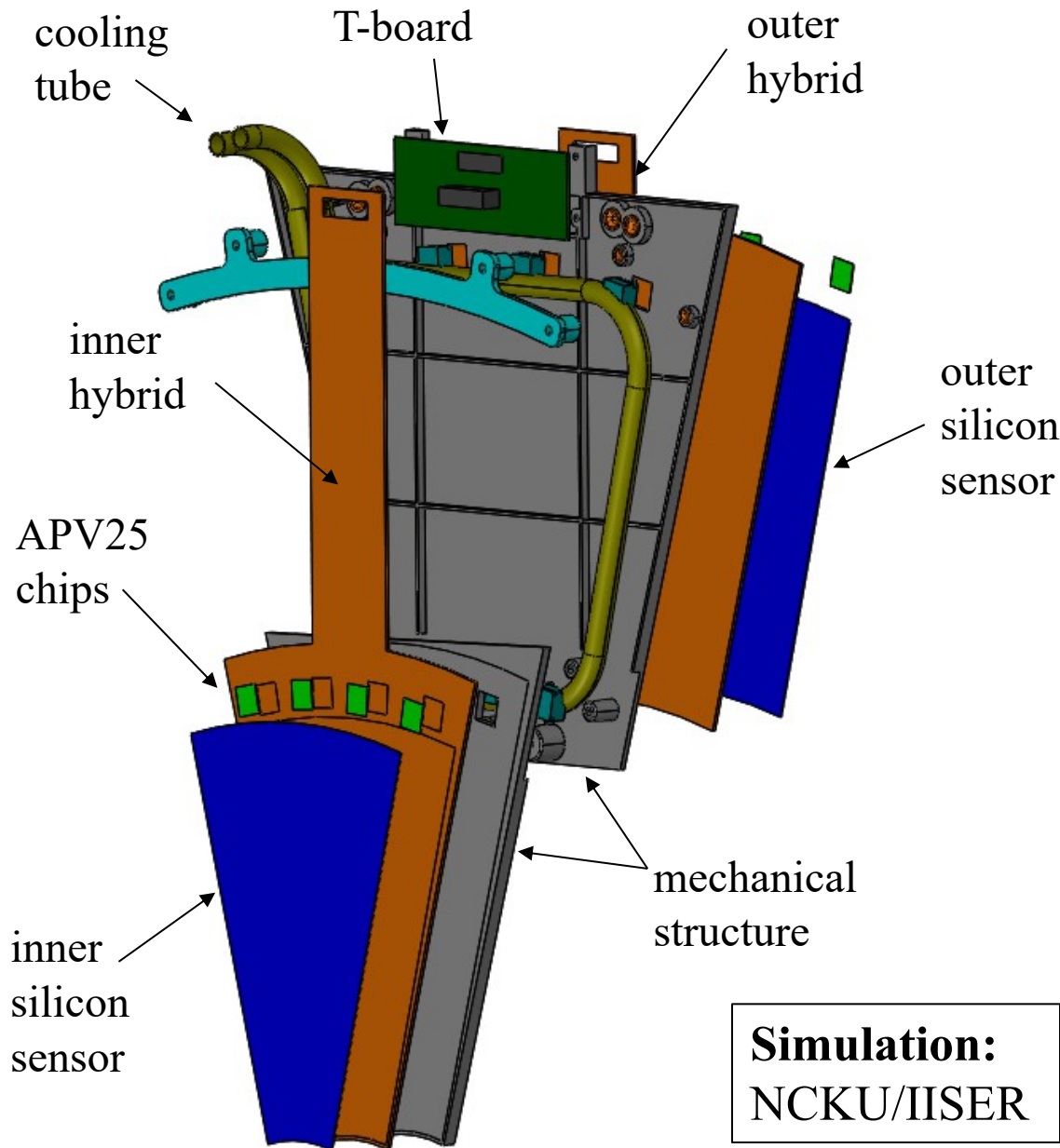
Blue: existing Red: new

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Module Design

- Each disk: 12 modules,  $\leq 1\% X_0$
- Each module split into two regions
  - **inner region (front side)**
    - 1 Silicon microstrip sensor:  
each  $128 \times 4$  ( $\phi \times r$ ) strips
    - 4 APV chips
    - 1 Kapton flexible hybrid
  - **outer region (back side)**
    - 2 Silicon microstrip sensors:  
each  $64 \times 4$  ( $\phi \times r$ ) strips
    - 4 APV chips
    - 1 Kapton flexible hybrid
- Mechanical structure for each module
  - Made of PEEK + Carbon Fiber, with  
Stainless Steel cooling pipe



# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Module Design



**Silicon sensor:**  
Shandong/UIC

**APV25:**  
UIC

**Hybrid, T-board:**  
Shandong/BNL/Indiana

**Mechanical structure:**  
National Cheng Kung Univ.

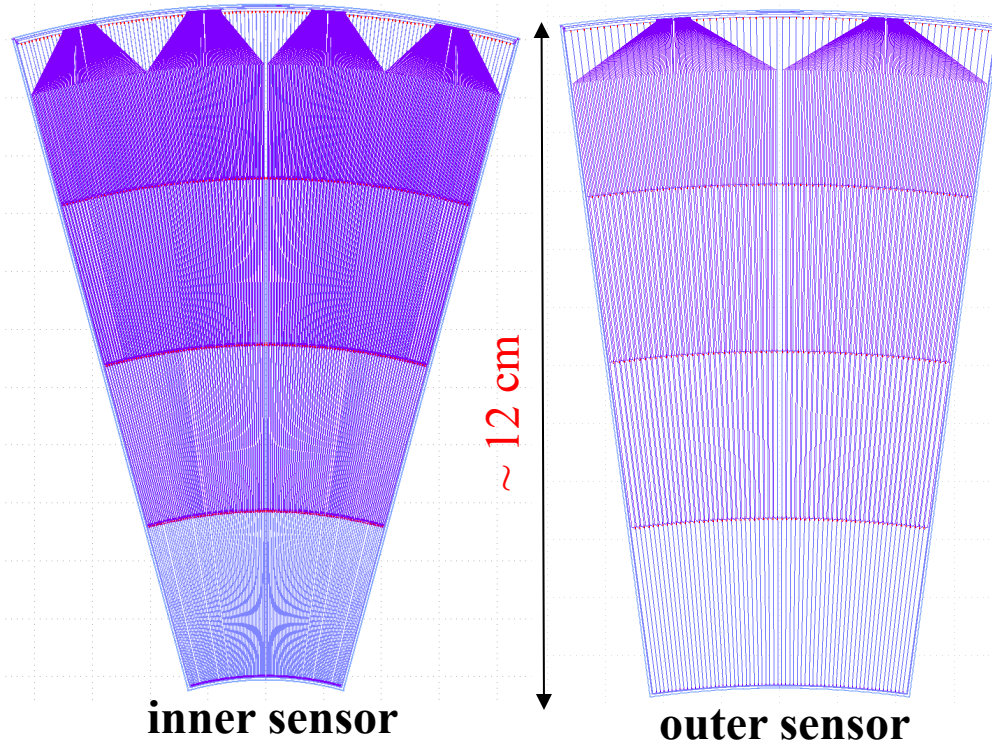
**Cooling system:**  
BNL/NCKU

**DAQ system:**  
BNL/Indiana

**Supporting structure:**  
BNL

**Simulation:**  
NCKU/IISER





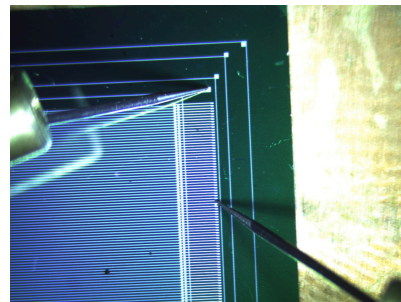
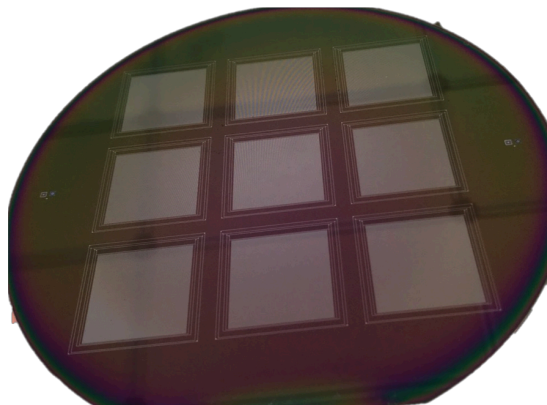
## Hamamatsu Sensors

	Inner	Outer
<b>Radii (cm)</b>	5-16.5	16.5-28
<b>Angle (o)</b>	30	15
<b># strips (<math>R*\phi</math>)</b>	4*128	4*64
<b>Thickness (<math>\mu\text{m}</math>)</b>	320	

- Design completed at UIC in 2019/1
- 4+6 prototype sensors ordered in 2019/2
- **Prototype sensors expected in 2019/8**
- **Performance tests in 2019/9-2019/12**
- **Delivery of production sensors in 2020/8**

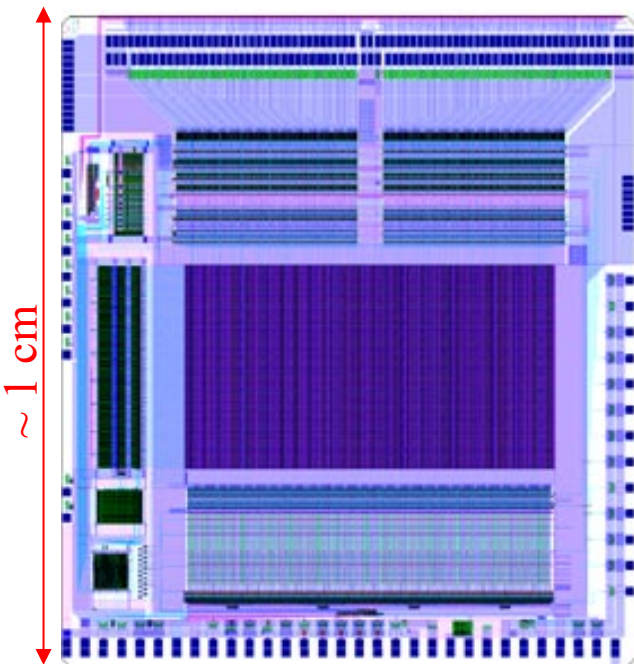
## NCKU-NDL Sensors

- Investigation into alternative vendors
- Design with simplified layout in 2018/7
- 1<sup>st</sup> batch received in 2019/1
- **2<sup>nd</sup> batch production ongoing**

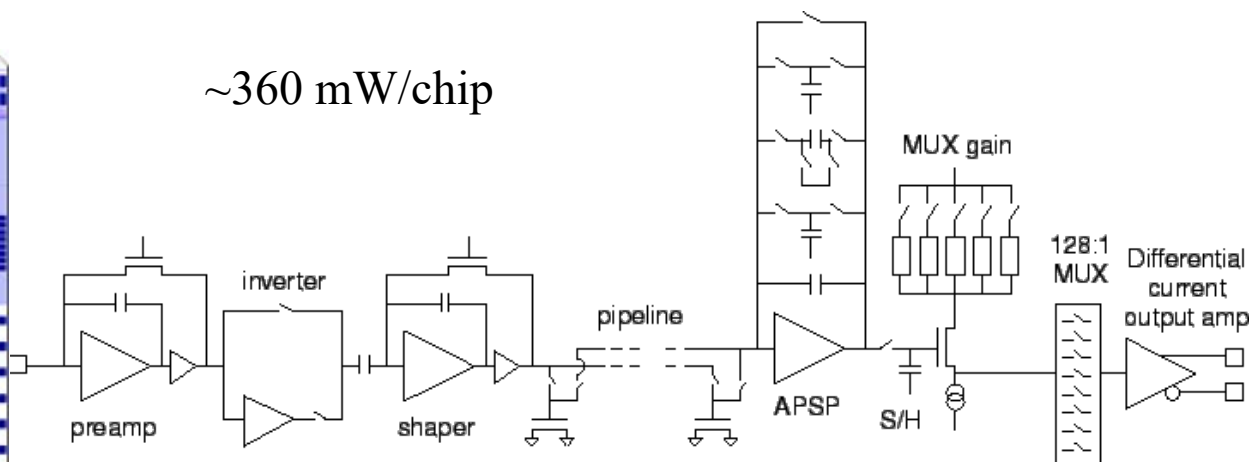


# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker - APV25 Chip

128 front-end input pads



control and output pads



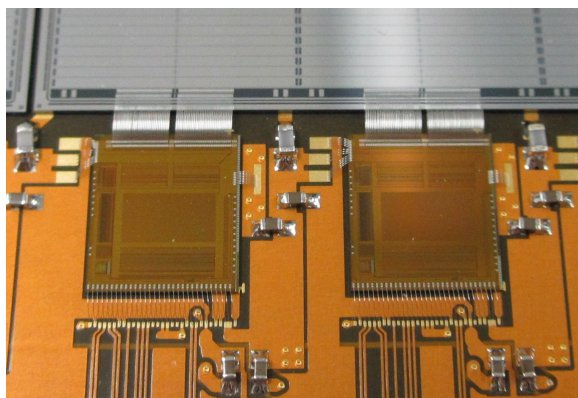
~360 mW/chip

preamplifier + shaper + 192 analog pipelines + capacitor filter + multiplexer

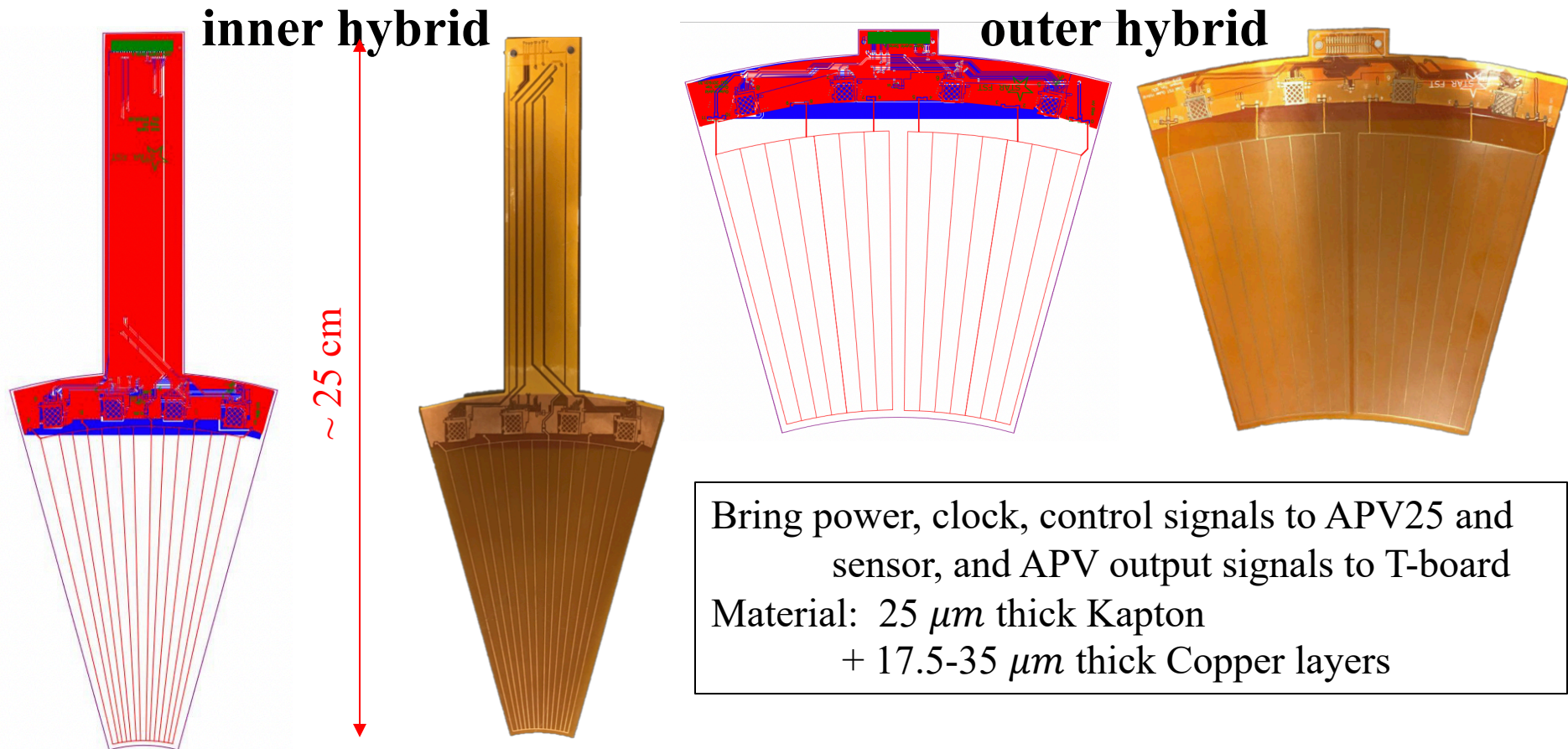
Designed for CMS Silicon strip detector

Fabricated in 0.25 $\mu$ m CMOS process

More than enough probe-tested APV25 chips in-hand for STAR Forward Silicon Tracker



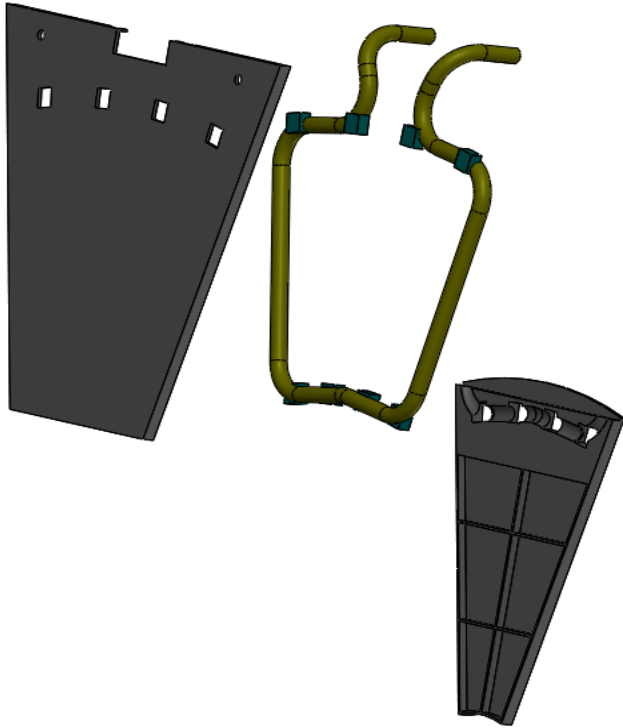
# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Flexible Hybrid



- 1<sup>st</sup> version design completed at SDU (Jianing Dong et al.) in 2019/2
- 1<sup>st</sup> version hybrids received from vendor in 2019/3
- 2<sup>nd</sup> version design completed at SDU in 2019/7: adjust dimensions and connector type
- 2<sup>nd</sup> version hybrids expected in 2019/8
- Delivery of production hybrids in 2020/3

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Mechanical Structure

## Solidwork Drawings

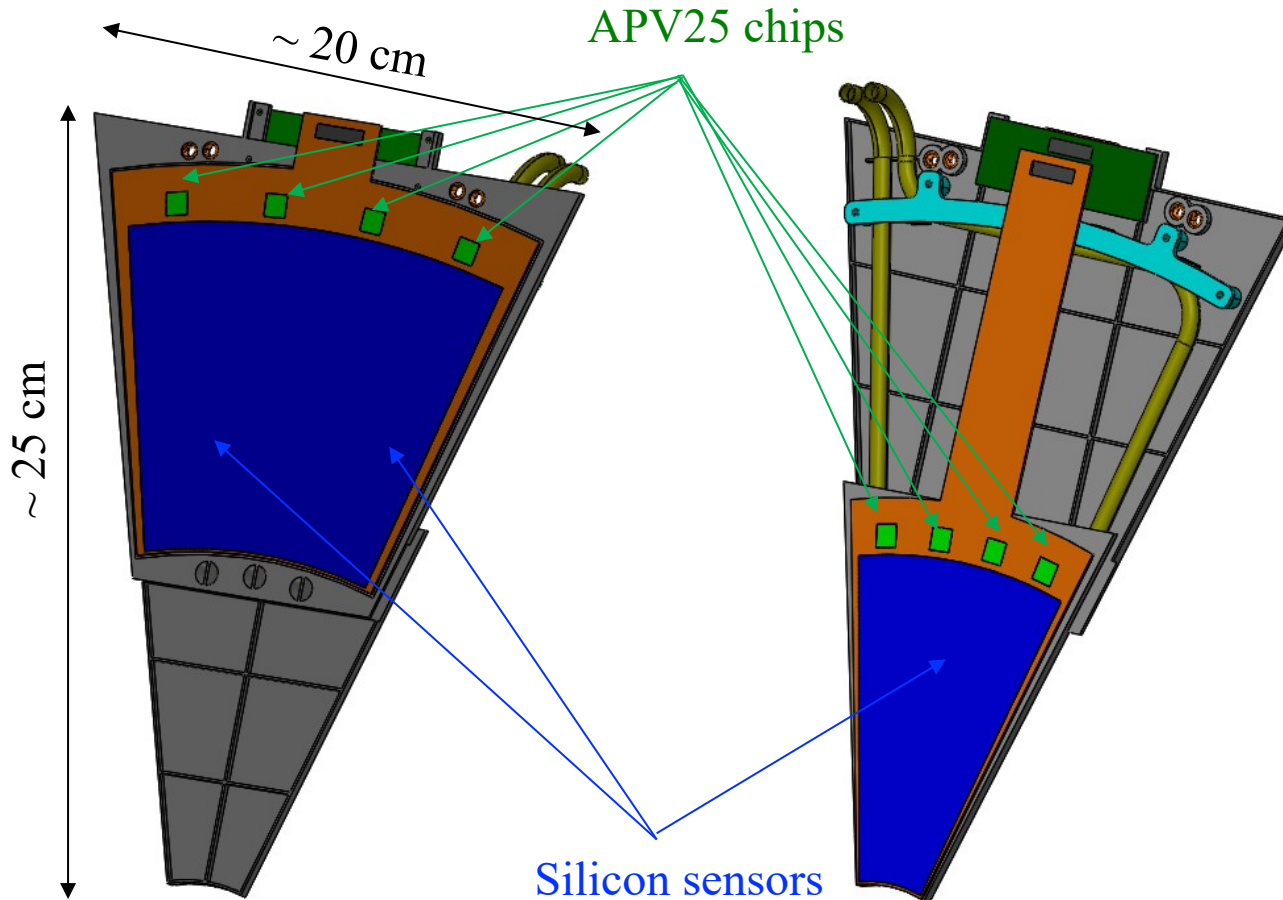


## Photographs



- 1<sup>st</sup> version design completed at NCKU (Yi Yang et al.) in 2019/2
- 1<sup>st</sup> version structures received with uneven surface in 2019/3
- 2<sup>nd</sup> version design completed at NCKU in 2019/7: optimize material composite and thickness; adjust dimension and shape; thermal-stress simulation
- 2<sup>nd</sup> version structures expected in 2019/8
- Delivery of production mechanical structures in 2020/5

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Module Assembly



## Assembly procedure

1. Hybrid wire-bonding pull test
2. Chip mounting and wire-bonding
3. Readout test
4. Sensor mounting and wire-bonding
5. Readout test
6. Encapsulation
7. Readout test
8. Survey

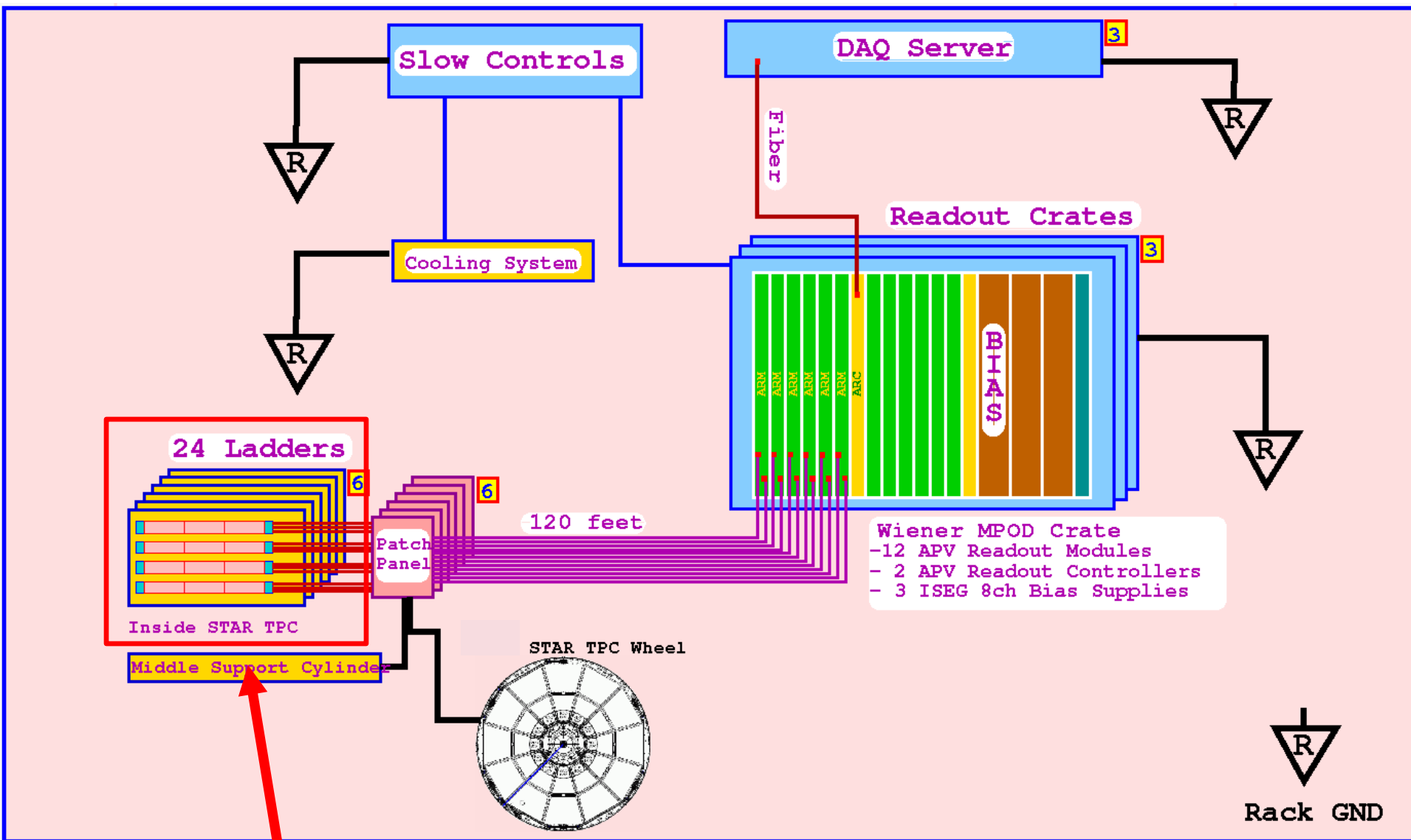
- **Prototype module:** 3 modules, each with 3 Silicon sensors and 8 APVs

*Assembly: 2019/9-2019/10; Testing: 2019/11-2019/12*

- **Production module:** 48 modules, each with 3 Silicon sensors and 8 APVs

*Assembly: 2020/9-2021/2; Installation and testing on supporting structure: 2021/3-2021/4*

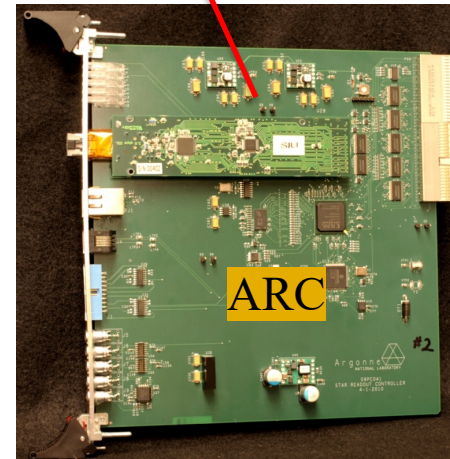
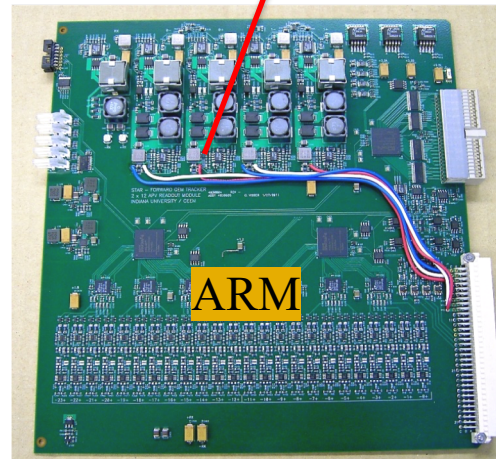
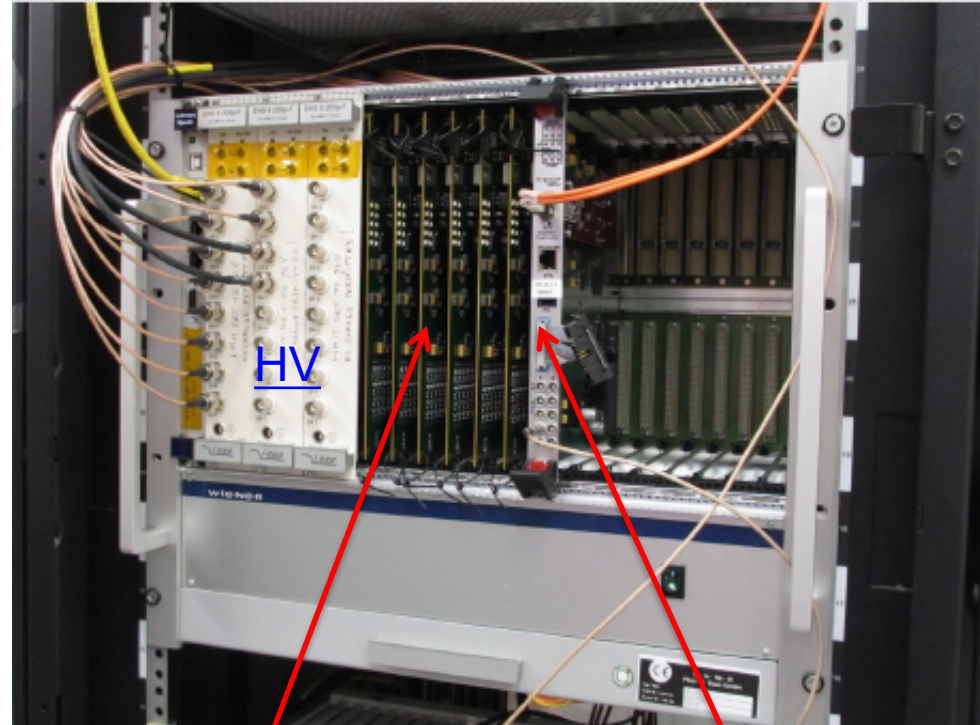
# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – DAQ System



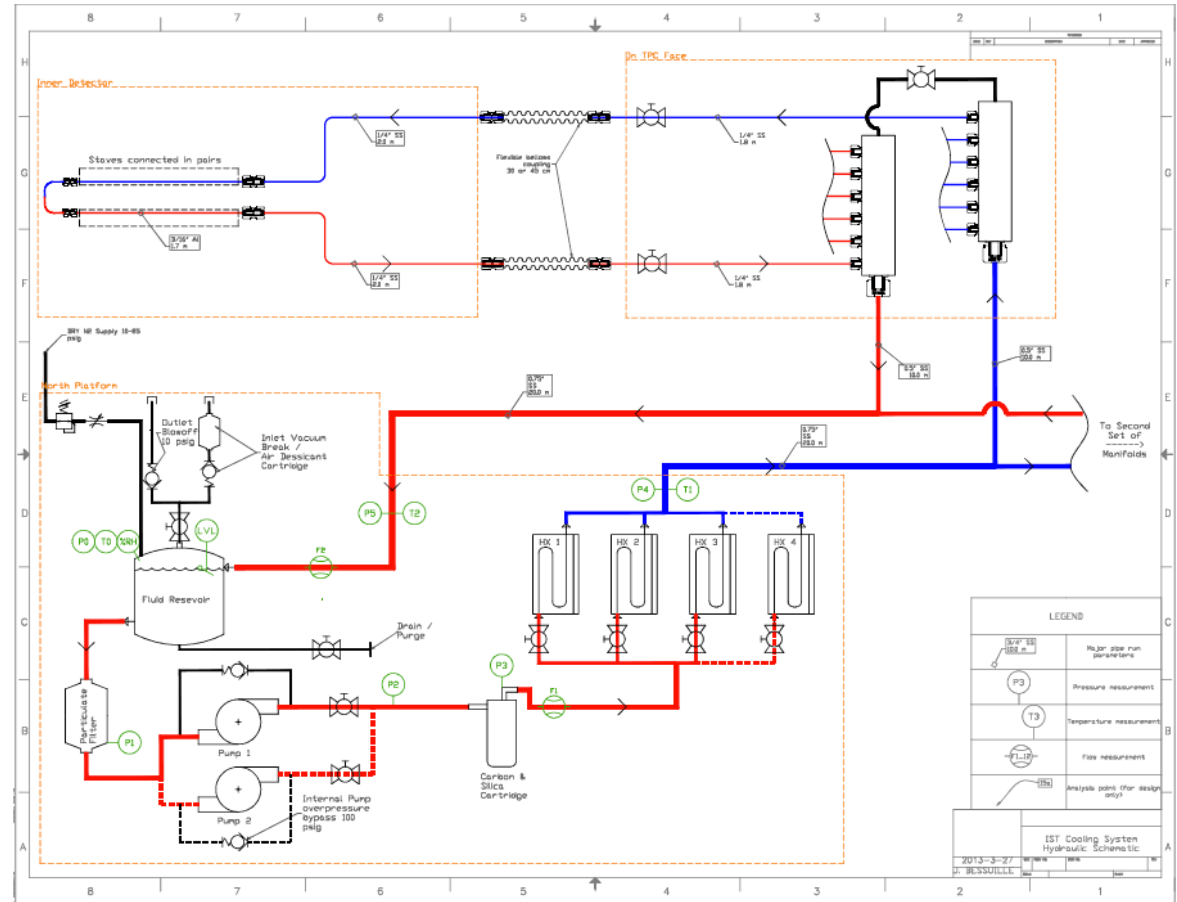
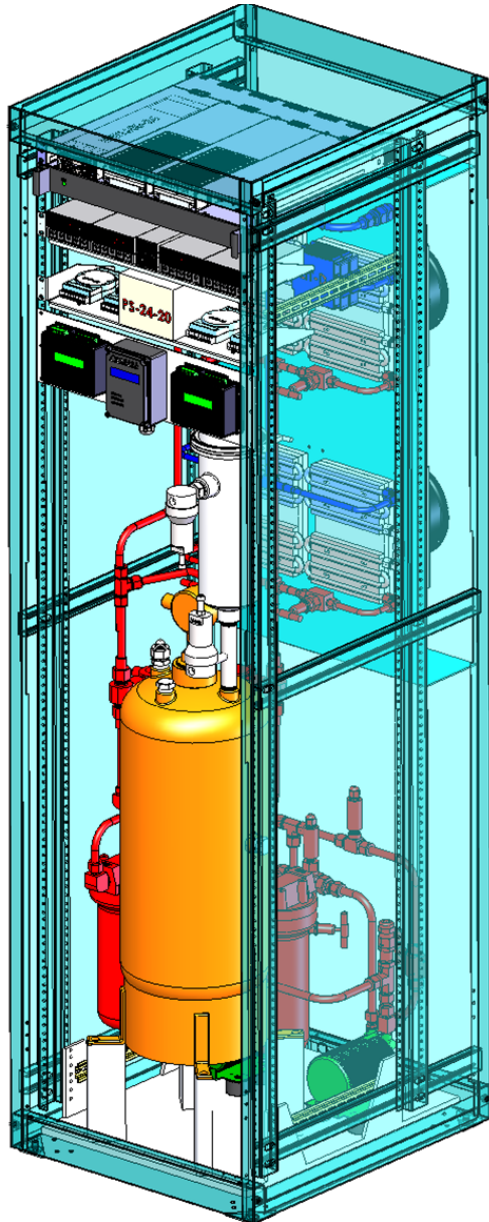
FST with new inner signal cables read out with the existing IST DAQ system

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – DAQ System

- Custom-designed DAQ system in a WIENER MPOD HV-cPCI frame
- 3 crates, 6 ARCII, 36 ARM, 36 Patch-panel boards, 72 outer signal cables from IST can be used for FST.
- **Status verification in 2019/9**
- FST T-board and inner signal cable designs completed by SDU/BNL/IU
  - 1<sup>st</sup> version assembled in 2019/8
  - **2nd version expected in 2019/9**
  - **Delivery of production cables and T-boards in 2020/6**



# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Cooling System



Heat load ~ 100W (300W for IST)

Coolant: 3M™ Novec™ 7200 ( $C_4F_9OC_2H_5$ )

Sitting on STAR platform, maintenance needed



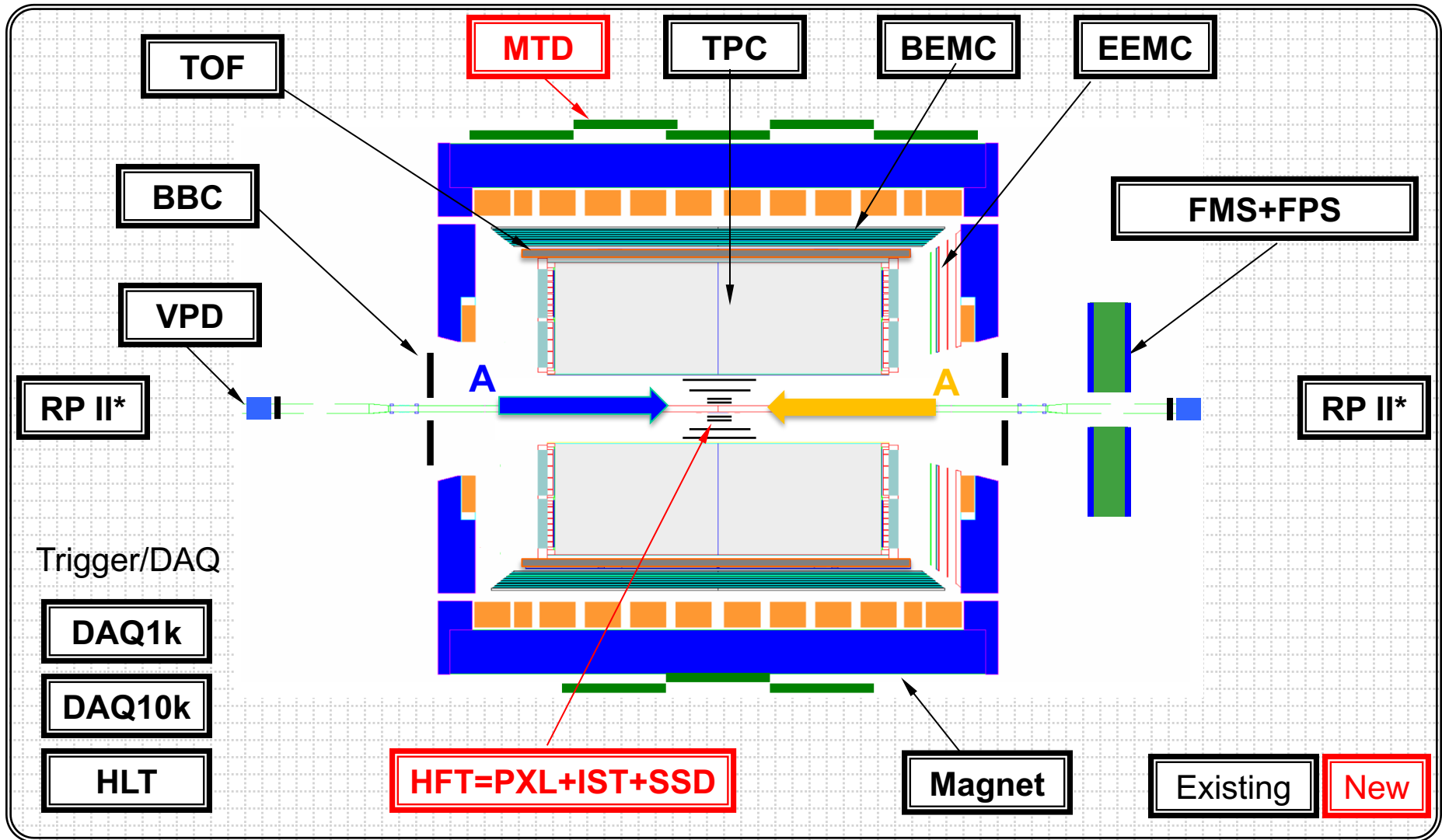
# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Milestones

- **Prototype**
  - Mechanical structure: 1<sup>st</sup>: 3/28/2019, 2<sup>nd</sup>: 8/30/2019
  - Flexible hybrid: 1<sup>st</sup>: 3/21/2019, 2<sup>nd</sup>: 8/15/2019
  - Silicon sensor: 08/30/2019
  - Detector module assembly: 10/31/2019
  - Detector module testing: 12/31/2019
- **Production**
  - Ordering: 01/31/2020
  - 1<sup>st</sup> batch of flexible hybrid: 03/31/2020
  - 1<sup>st</sup> batch of mechanical structure: 05/31/2020
  - 1<sup>st</sup> batch of Silicon sensors: 08/31/2020
  - Detector module assembly complete: 02/28/2021
- **Supporting structure and cooling system**
  - Design 12/31/2019
  - Fabrication 05/31/2020
- **Installation**
  - Installed onto supporting structure: 04/30/2021
  - Installed into STAR: 07/15/2021
  - Ready for data taking: 08/31/2021

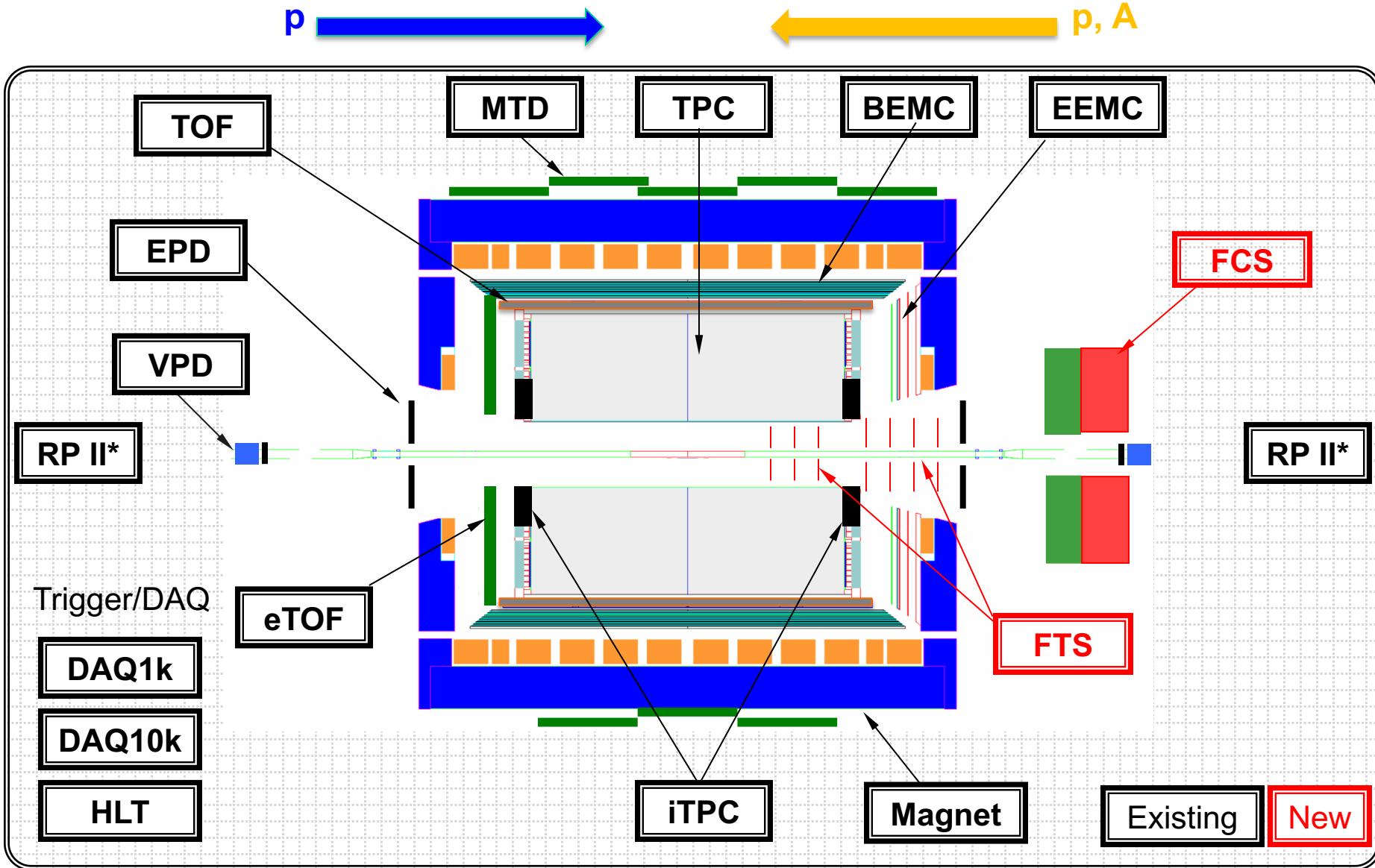
- A 3-layer forward tracking detector based on the Silicon microstrip detector technology is designed for STAR Forward upgrade.
- The FST utilizes the successful experience and infrastructure of the previous STAR Intermediate Silicon Tracker, in order to reduce cost and risk.
- The project is currently in the R&D phase to build prototype detector modules, including Silicon sensors, hybrids, mechanical structures, T-boards, inner signal cables.
- Production of the detector is expected to start in 2020 and completed in early 2021, so that it will be ready for the installation into STAR in summer 2021.

BNL, IISER, Indiana, NCKU, SDU, UIC ...



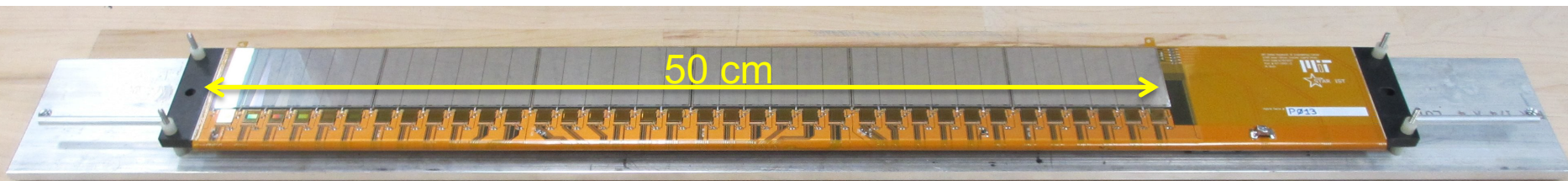
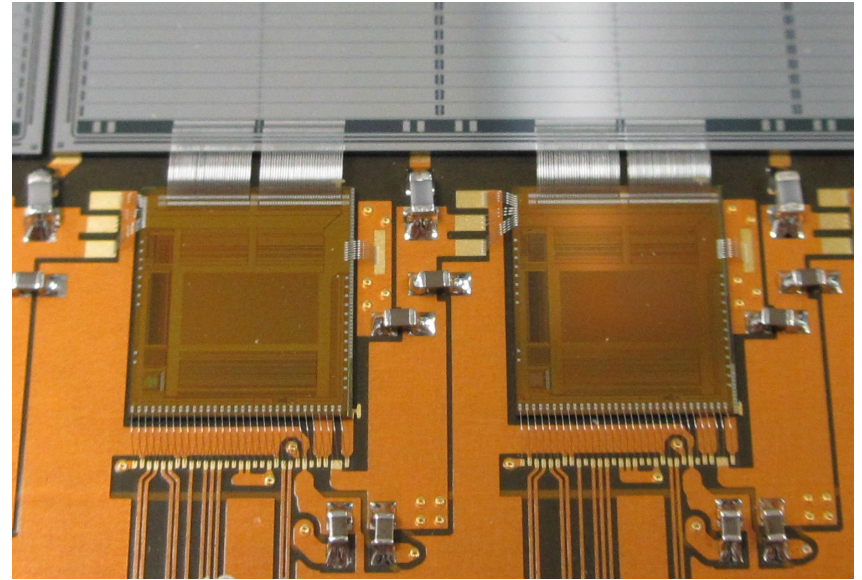
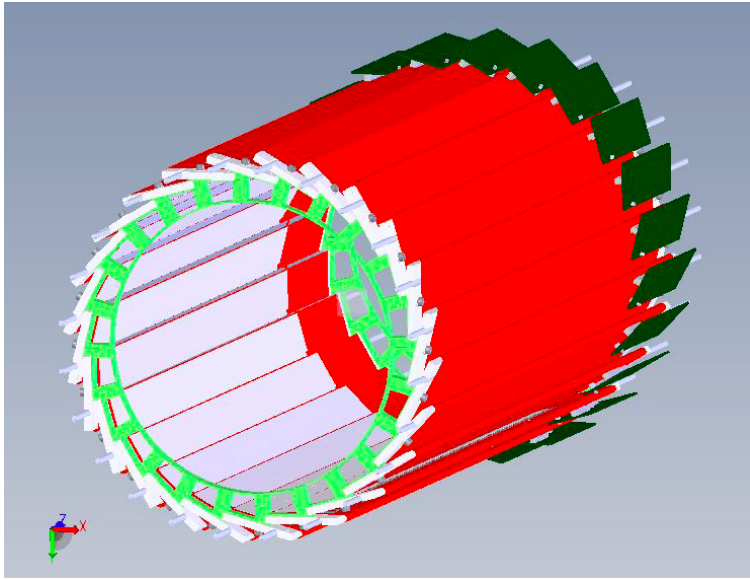


A+A @ 200 GeV - QCD in hot and dense medium, QGP dynamics and properties



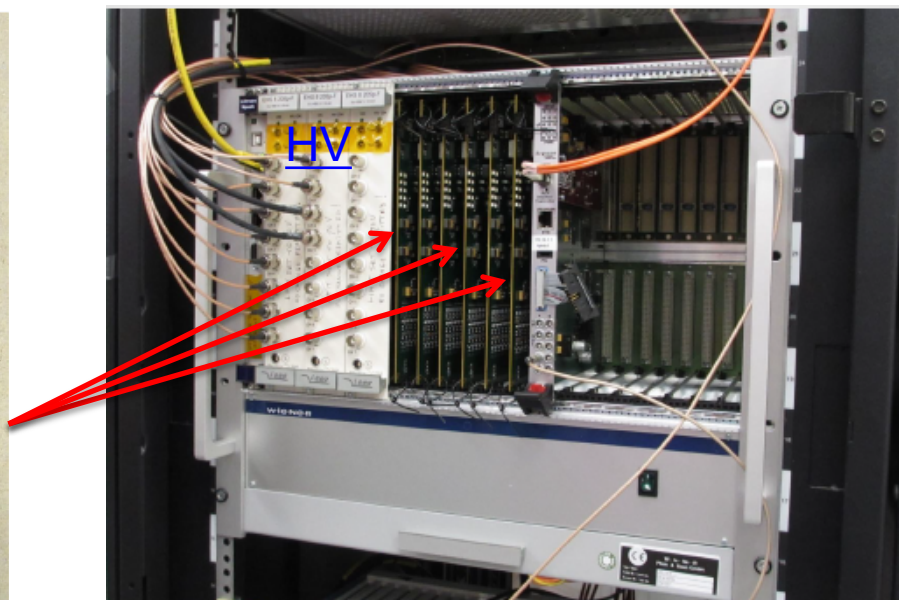
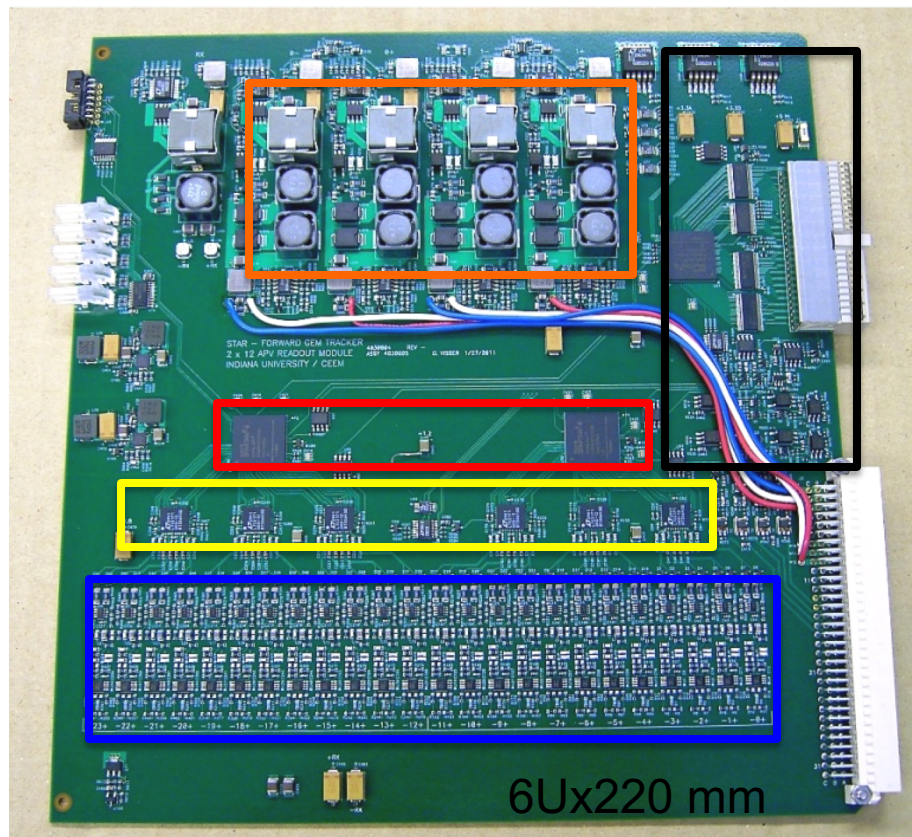
$p+p/A @ 200/510$  GeV - spin and partonic structures of nucleon and nuclei

# STAR Intermediate Silicon Tracker



24 ladders, 144 sensors, 864 readout chips, 110,592 channels

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – APV Readout Module



Custom-designed DAQ system in a  
WIENER MPOD HV-cPCI mainframe

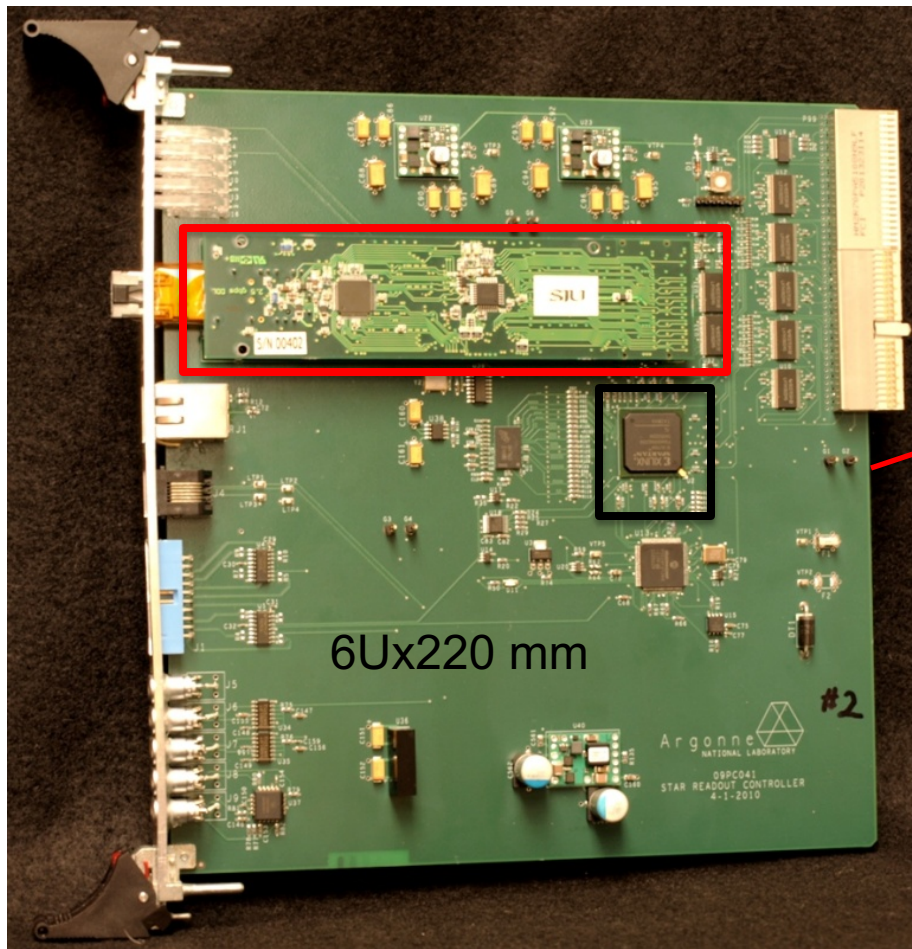
APV/ADC clock 37.532 MHz

4 1.75V Front-end Power Suppliers  
2 FPGA  
6 Quad ADC (12-bit)  
24 analog receivers (= 2 sections on a ladder)

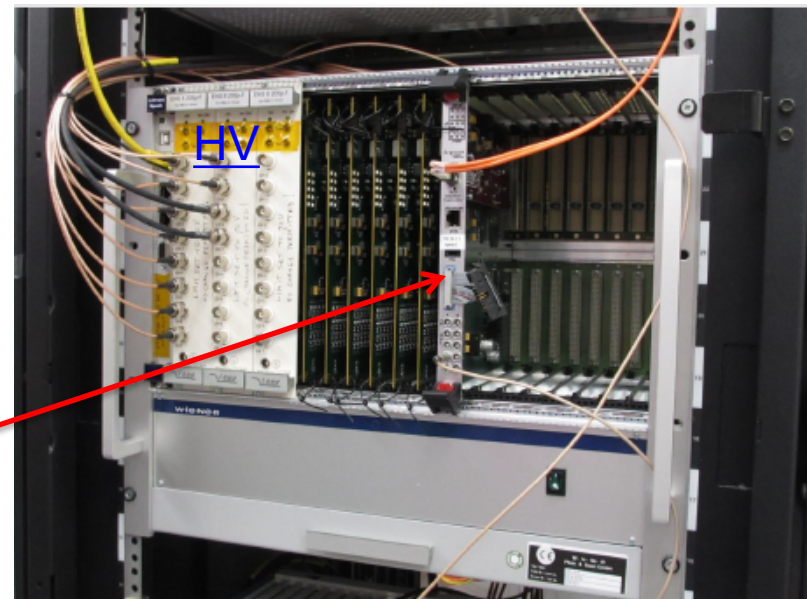
Trigger,  
Clock, I<sup>2</sup>C  
interface

3 crates, 6 ARCII, 36 ARM for IST  
sitting on STAR platform

# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – APV Readout Controller



DDL Optical Data Link to DAQ-PC  
FPGA



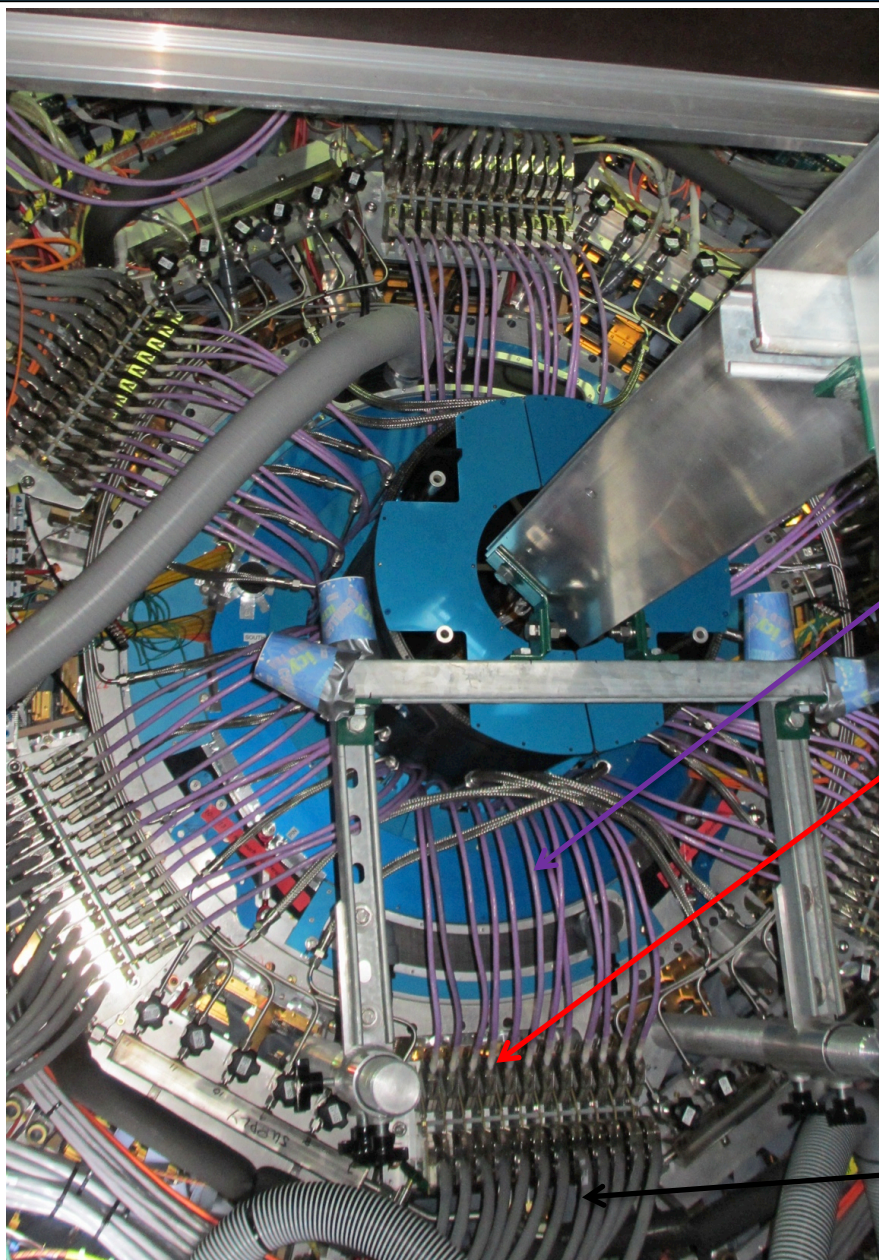
Custom-designed DAQ system in a  
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Readout clock 33 MHz

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# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Cables, Patch Panel Boards

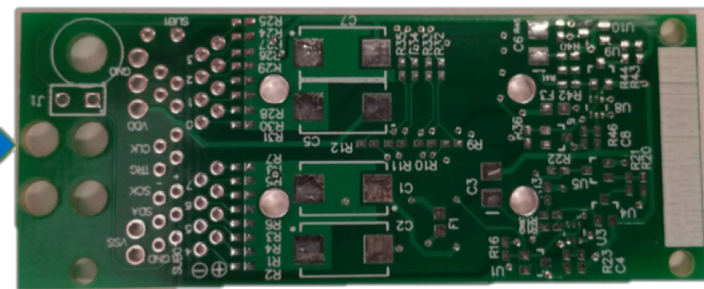
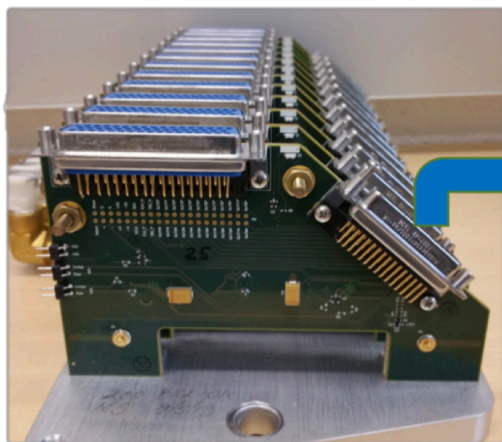
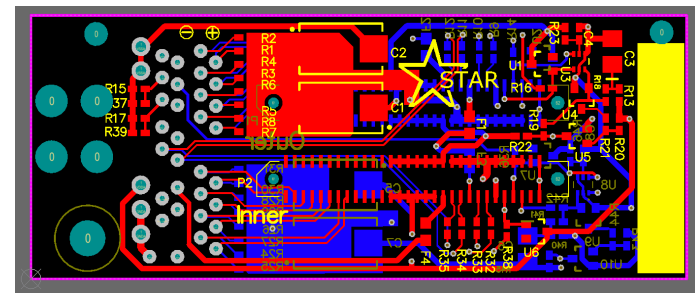


Inner signal cables

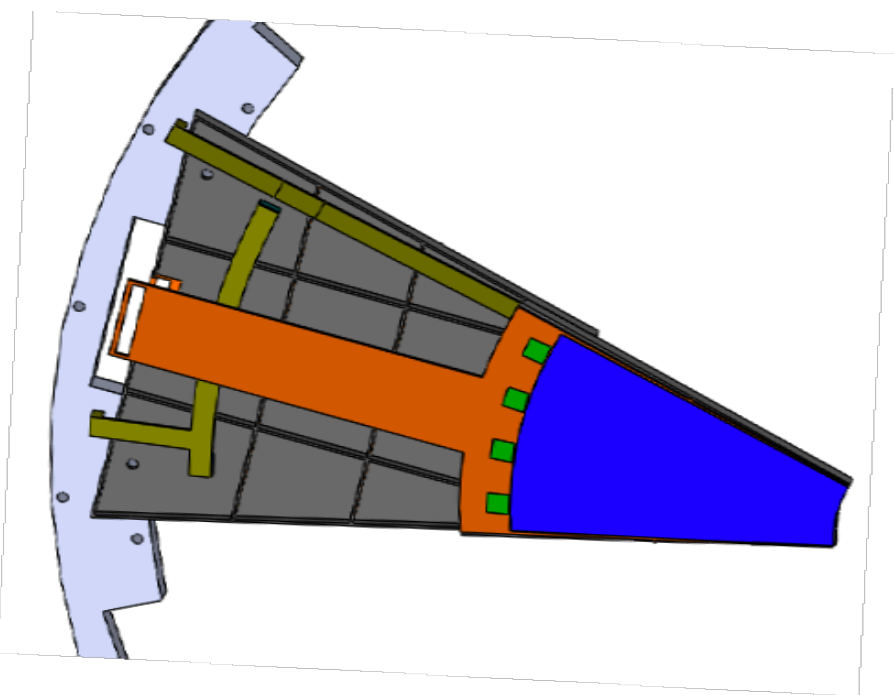
Patch Panel Boards:  
interconnect between ladders  
and readout boards;  
trigger/clock signal buffering;  
APV low voltage regulators

Outer signal cables

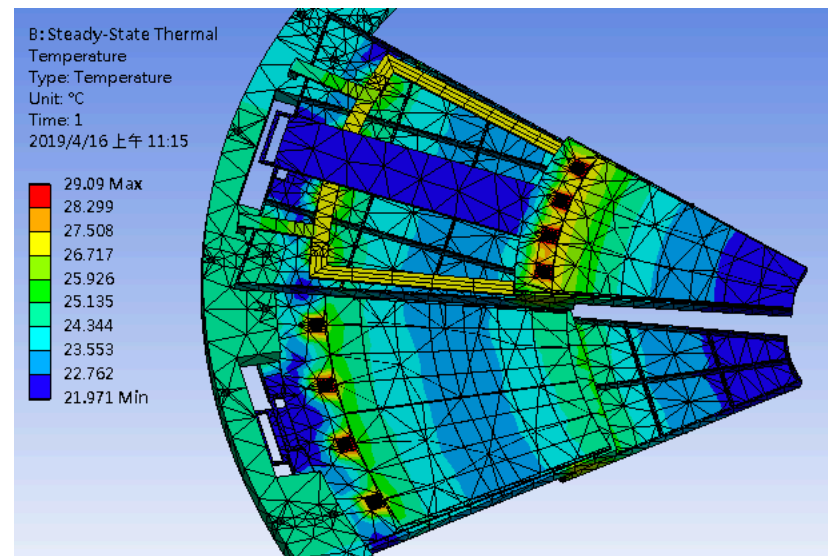
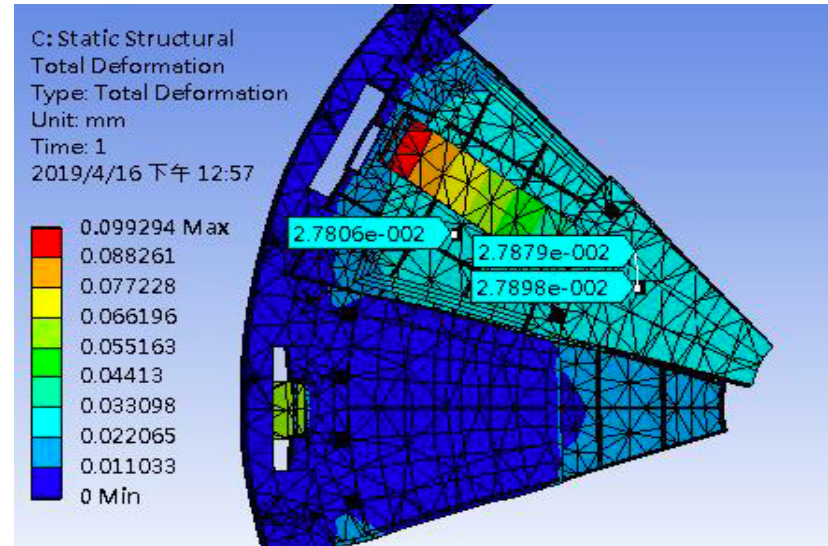
# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – T-board, Inner Signal Cable



# STAR Forward Silicon Tracker – Mechanical Structure



- The maximum deformation of mechanical structure, except the hybrid, is about 28  $\mu\text{m}$
- The maximum temperature is 29 degree C.



# STAR Intermediate Silicon Tracker – Module Assembly

- 18 (3+15) IST ladders assembled at Fermilab/UIC in 5 (3+2) months:
  - Hybrid wire-bonding pull test
  - Chip mounting and wire-bonding
  - Readout test
  - Sensor mounting and wire-bonding
  - Readout test
  - Encapsulation
  - Readout test
  - Survey

