



# Power Distribution in the Mu3e Experiment

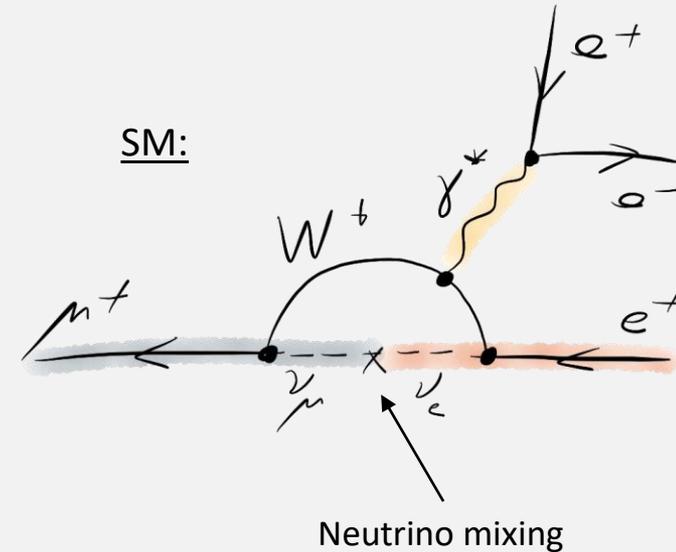
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# The Mu3e Experiment

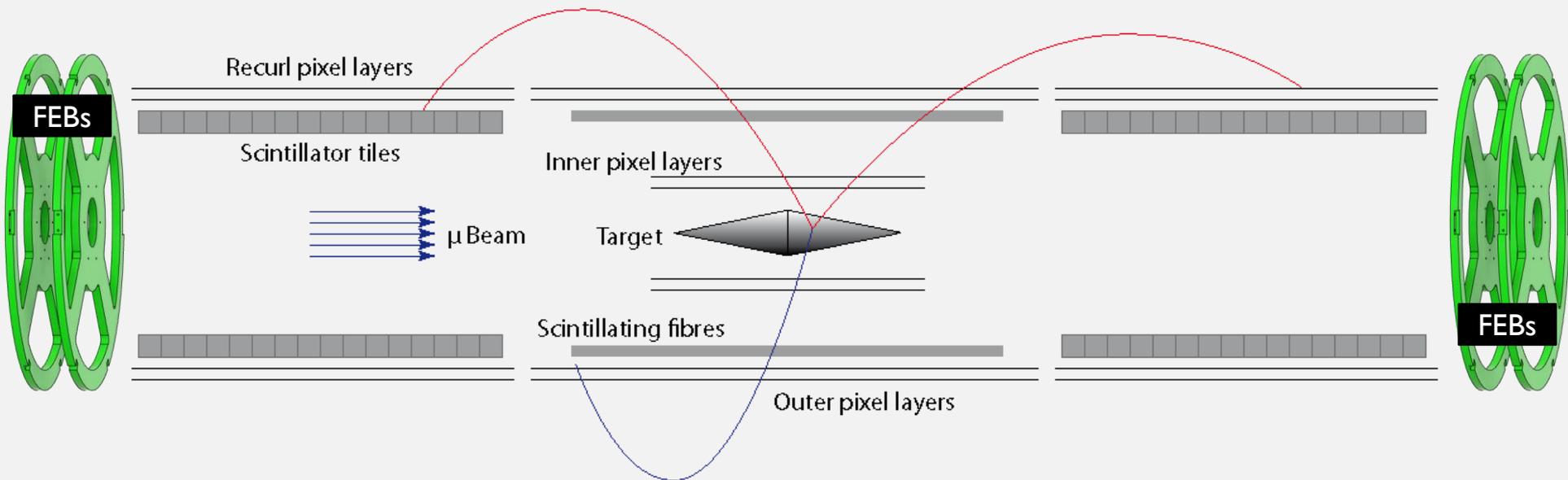
- Lepton-flavor-violating decay:  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$
- Standard Model:  $\text{Br} < 10^{-54}$  (essentially not observable)
- Any decay observed will be a hint toward new physics
- Aim for final sensitivity one in  $10^{16}$  muon decays
- High intensity muon beam
  - Paul Scherrer Institute, Switzerland
  - (currently  $10^8 \mu/s$ , planned  $> 10^9 \mu/s$ )
- Commissioning in 2021-2022



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# The Mu3e Detector



- Muon decays at rest
- 1 Tesla magnetic field

## Pixel Layers

- HV-MAPS
- Thin & high granularity sensors
- Combined with onboard signal processing  $\rightarrow$  MuPix chips
- Very good spatial resolution

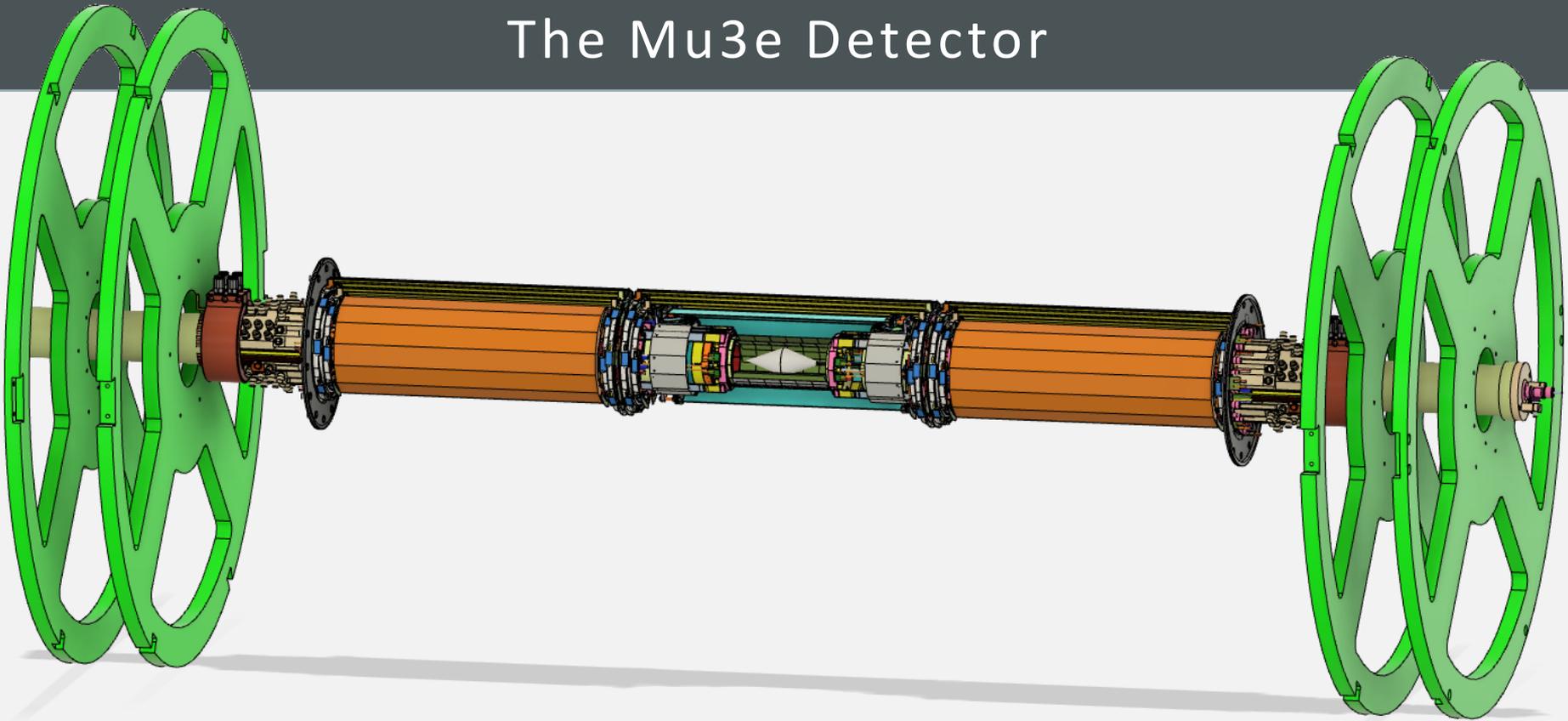
## Scintillating Fibres/Tiles

- Very good time resolution
- E.g. background suppression

## Frontend Boards

- Readout electronics
- Preprocessing + sorting of hits
- Send data to GPU farm

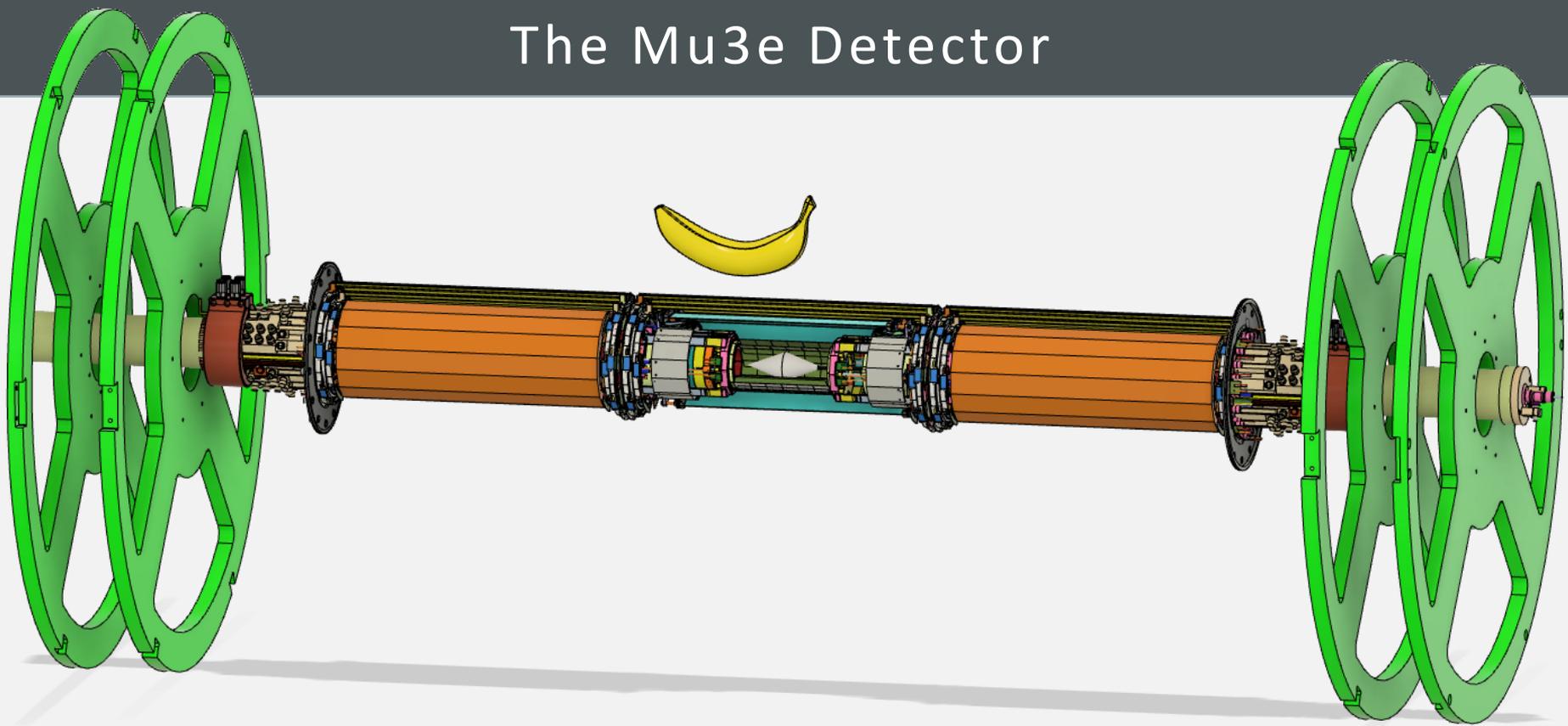
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MuPix (inner layers)	2.3	8	10
MuPix (outer layers)	2.3	78	21
Fibre	2.0	12	7
Tile	2.0/3.3	14	9/3
Front-end board	1.1/1.8/3.3	8	2/1.7/2.2

→ 4.6 kW

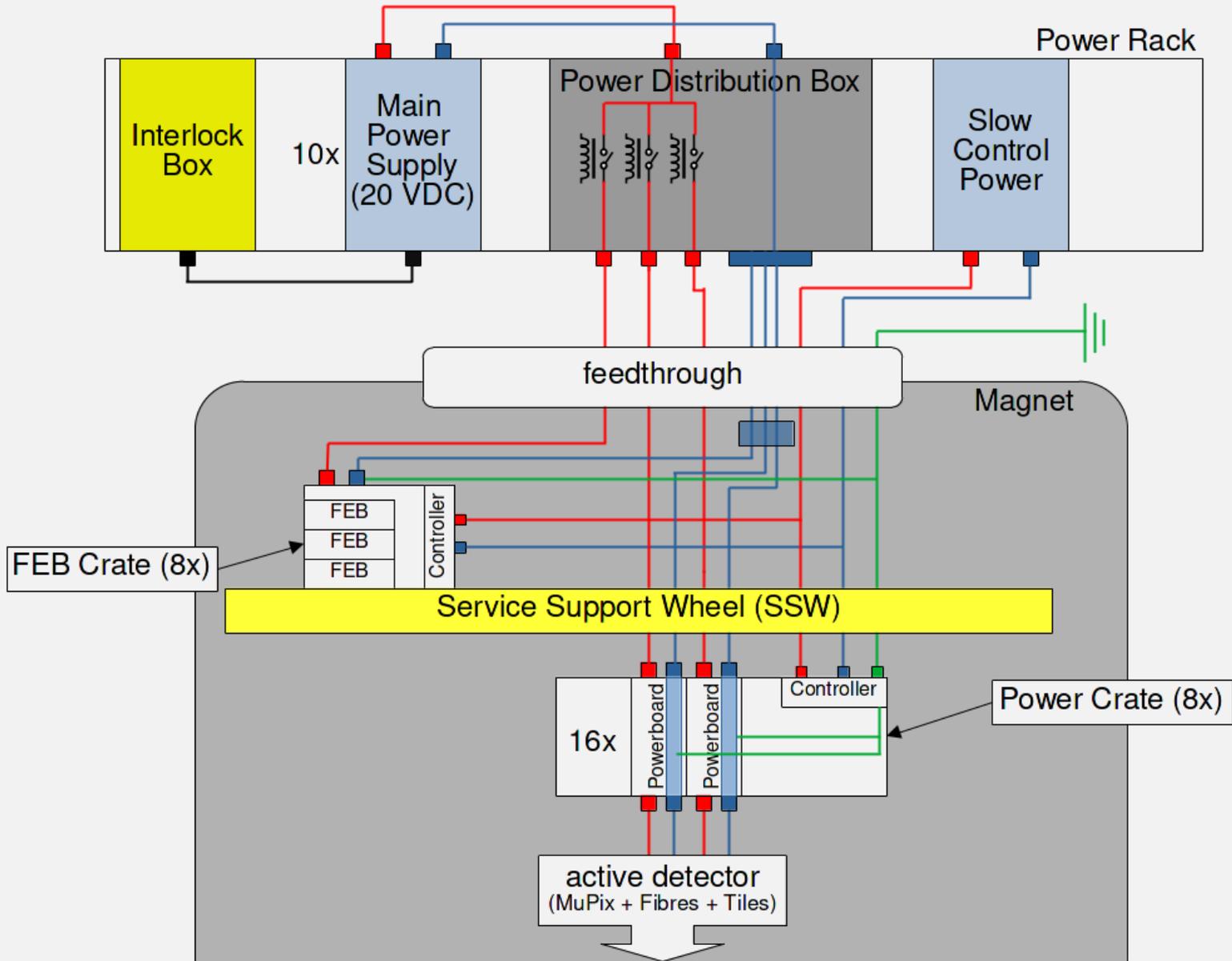
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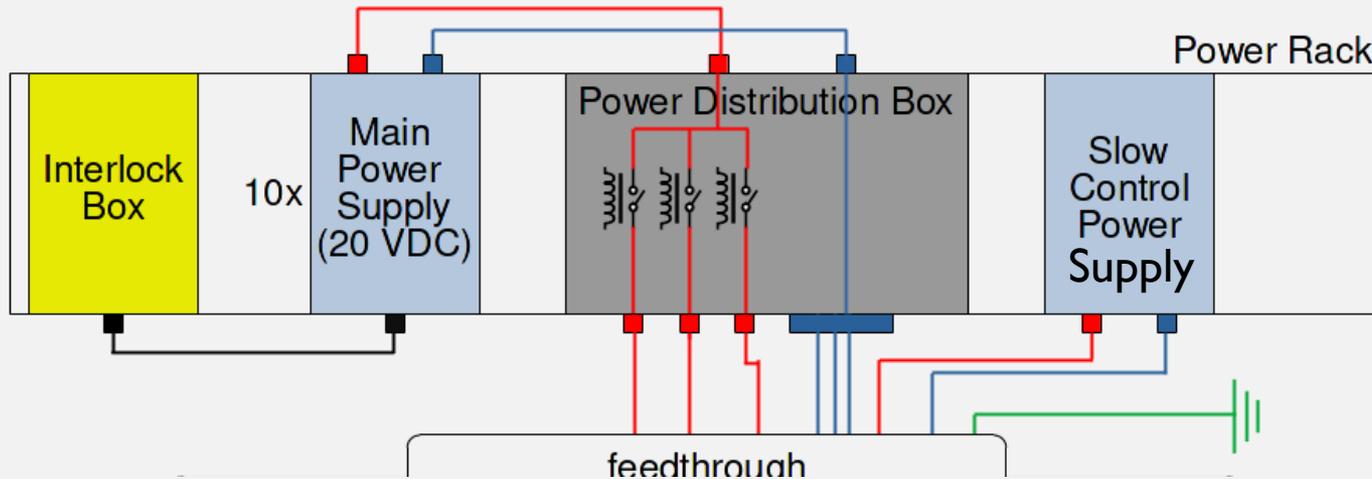
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# Overview Power Distribution



# Outside the Magnet



## Power supplies: TDK Lambda Genesys

- providing 20 VDC (rated 90 A @ 30 V)
- Floating outputs, referenced ground inside magnet
- Connected to interlock box  
→ safety, e.g. no power without cooling of detector

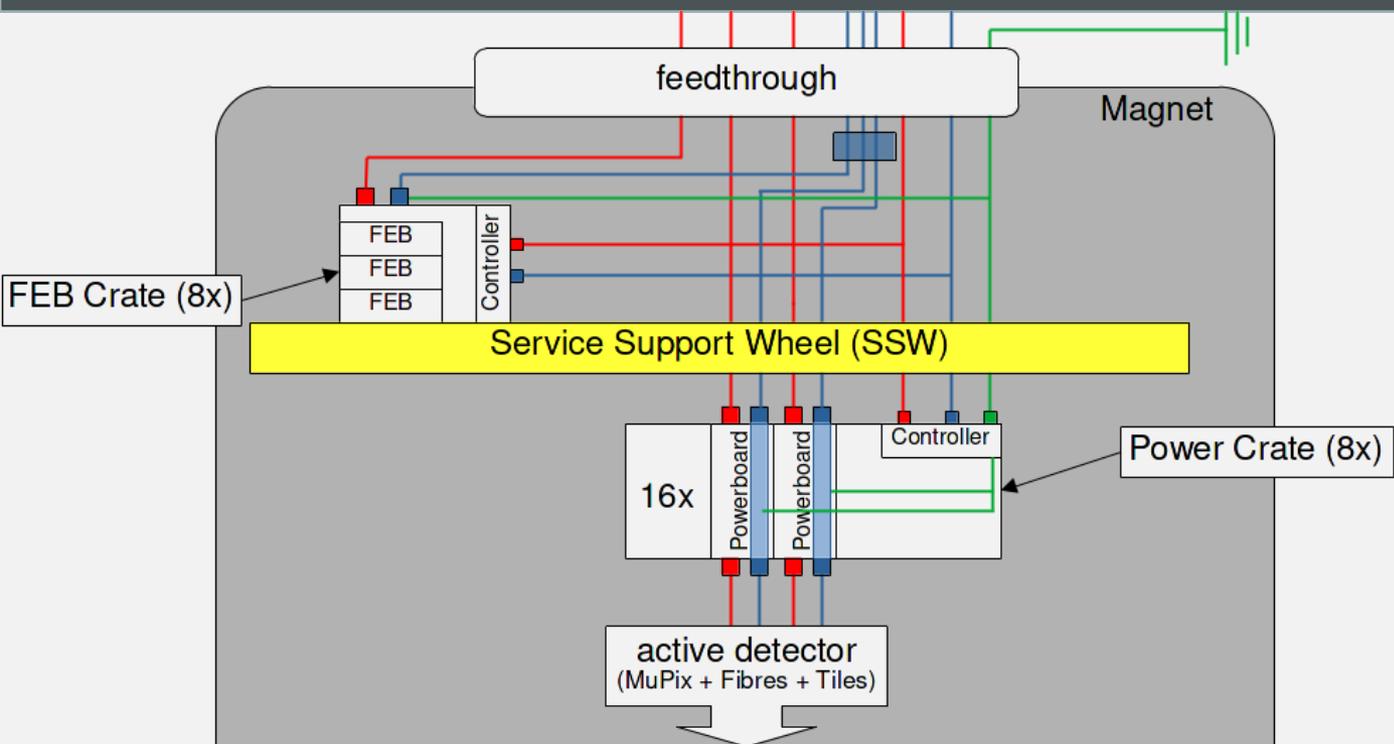
## Slow Control Power

- E.g. environment sensors, crate controllers, alignment system
- Operate independent from main power

## Power Distribution Box

- Power supply outputs multiplied via relay bank  
→ each power partition can be switched separately
- 112 power partitions for active detector (MuPix, Fibre, Tile) (each 6 A @ 20 V)
- 8 power partitions for FEBs (20 A @ 20 V)  
→ 120 cables @ 20V going in magnet + return lines

# Inside the Magnet – Converters



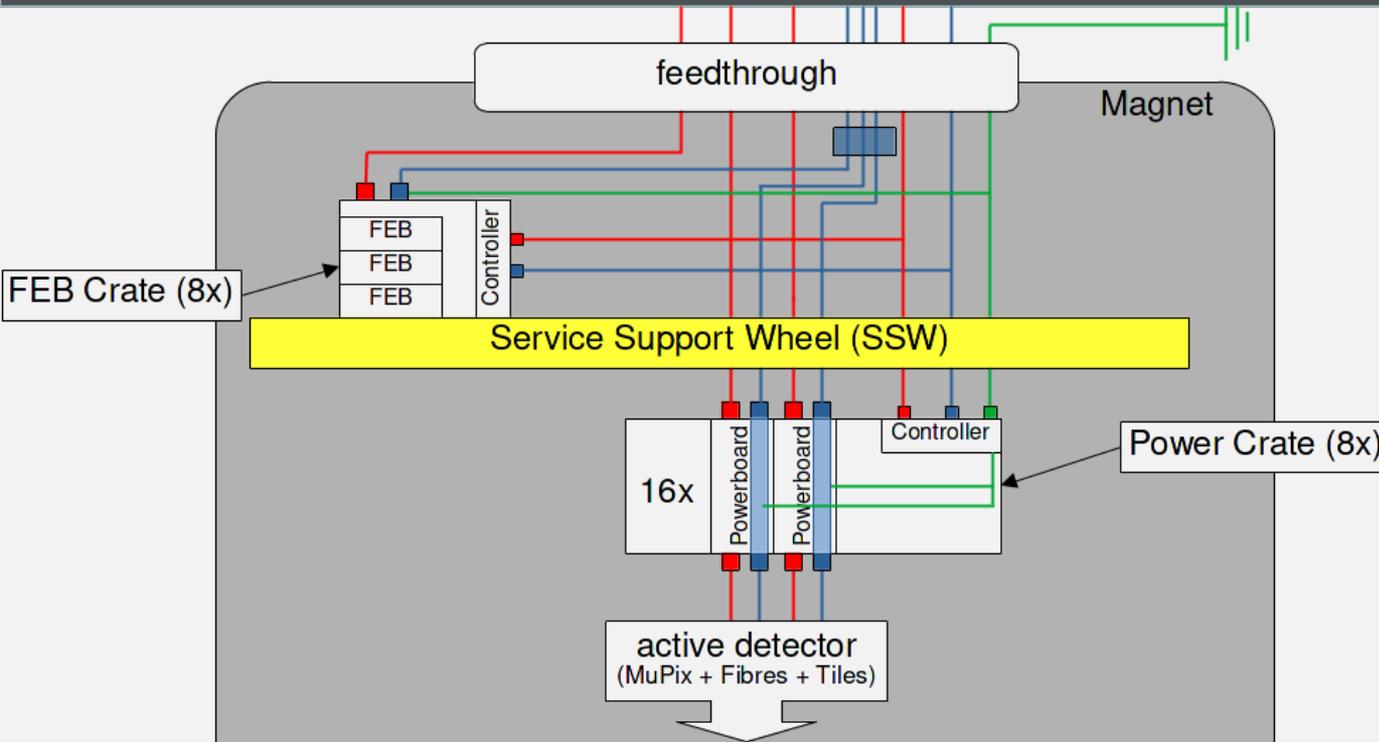
## General Design Choices

- Buck converters for high-power application and large voltage steps
- LDOs for low-power applications or small voltage steps
- can't use ferrite core inductors in magnet → use custom air coils

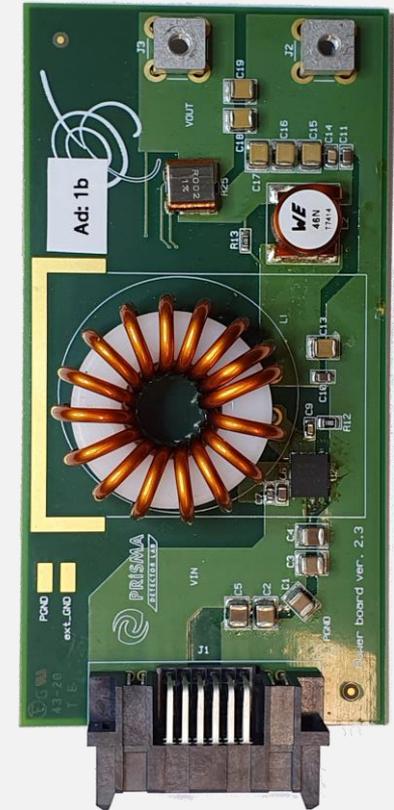
## Frontend Boards

- Located in FEB-crates with crate controller
- Each crate has its own power partition → 8 partitions needed
- Embedded buck converters 20 V to 1.1 V, 2.5 V, 3.3 V

# Inside the Magnet – Powerboards

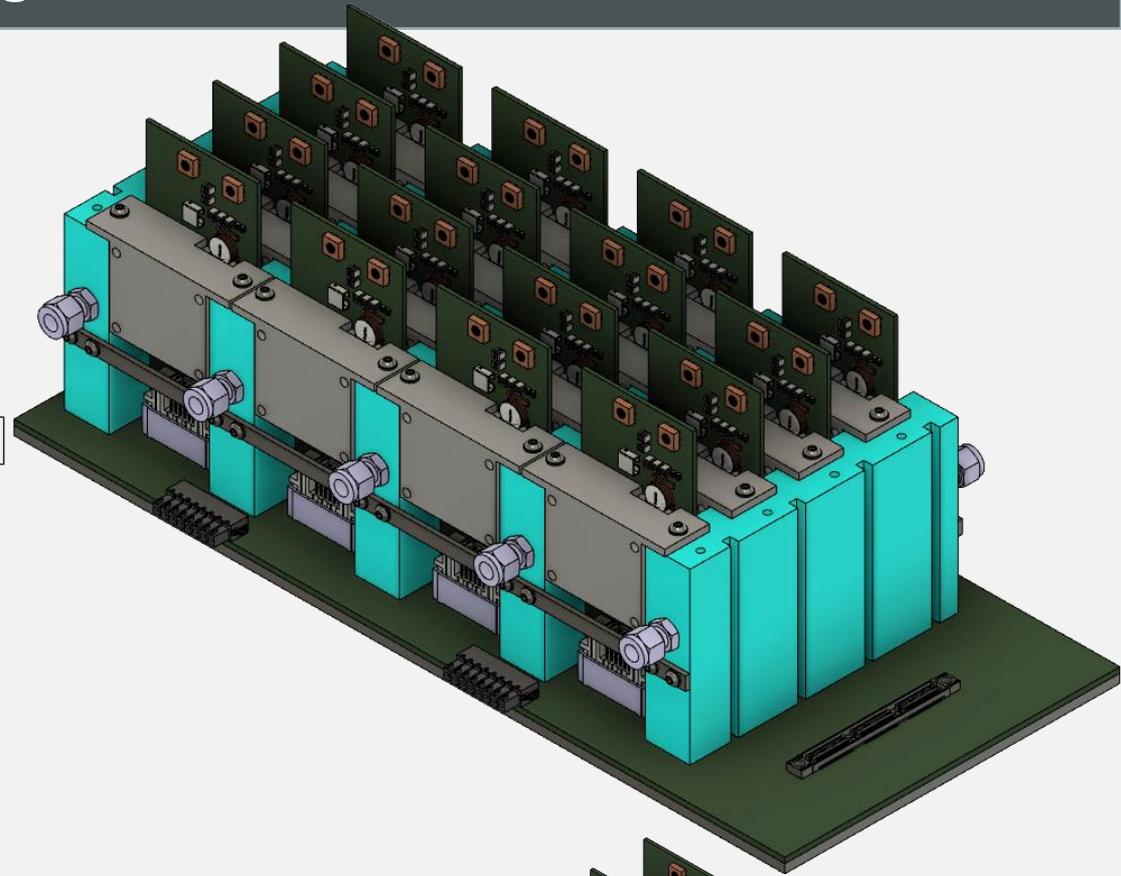
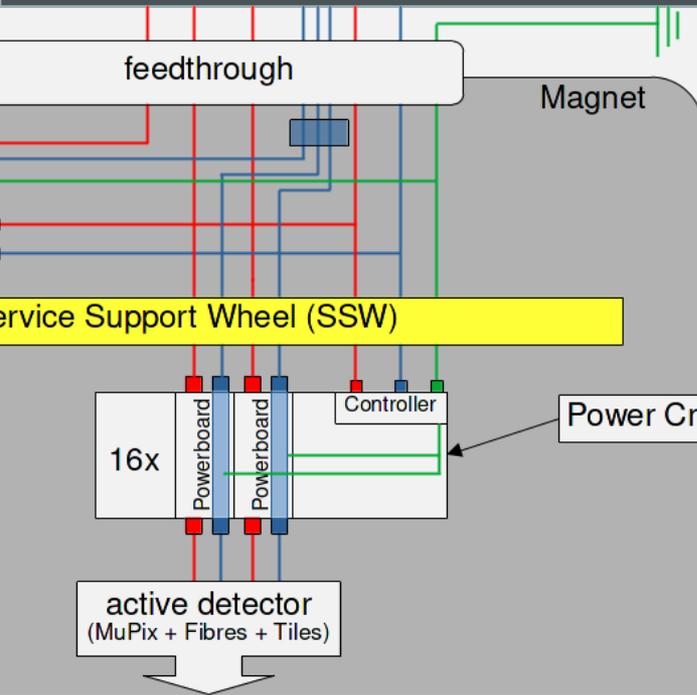


## Powerboards



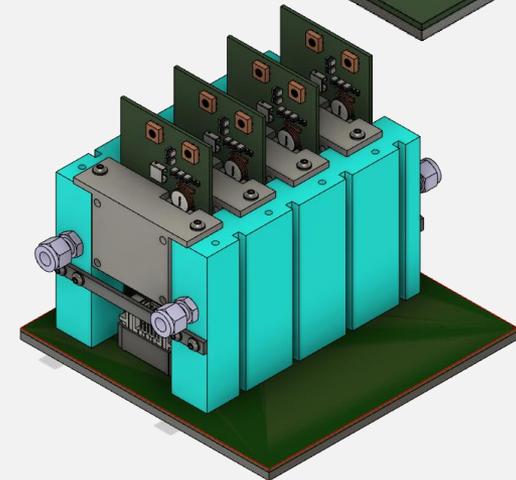
- Custom designed buck converters (using Texas Instruments controller + switching ICs)
- Provide power to active detector
- Rated for 30 A on output, nominal 20 A (2.0 - 3.3 V)
- Output ripple < 10 mV Peak-Peak
- Each powerboard is one power partition (112 partitions)
- Lots of interesting features implemented (sense wires, temperature interlock, etc.)  
→ Talk by Sophie Gagneur (T 41.7)

# Inside Magnet – Power Crate



## Power Crates

- Max. 16 powerboards mounted in one crate
- Water-cooled with custom heatsinks
- 32 pin connector (16x 6 A @ 20 V inputs + 16x return lines)
- Crate controller connected to slow control + interlock system
  - Controls powerboards through PMBus + analog enable signal



Thanks for the  
attention!