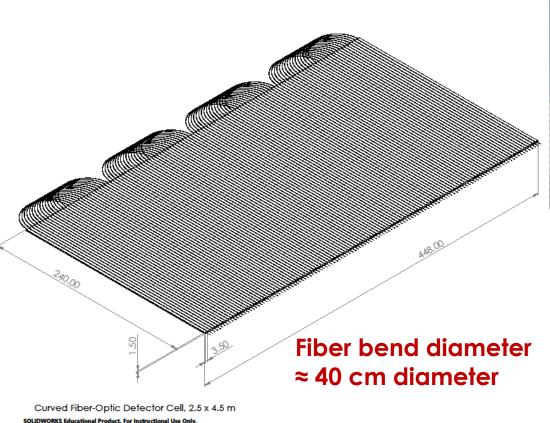
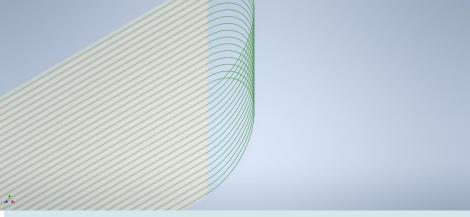
- Considering some possible layouts for scintillating detector planes NB not a proposal
 - Layout option where all SiPM connections on one side of layer.
 - Leads to ≈ 2.4 m extruded bars.
- For this exercise consider scintillating bars that have width w = 3.5 cm, length L = 2.4 m and thickness t = 1.5 cm read out by 2 mm WLSF.
 - With 3.5 cm bar $\sigma \approx 1$ cm for dimension transverse to the bar.
 - NB For 2 mm WLSF minimum bend radius is 200 mm (20 cm).
- Begin the exercise by looking at options that have number of bars that are multiples of 16 - may be convenient for DAQ.
- ► Thus 128 bars of dimensions noted above result in 2.4x4.48 m² units.
- Eight such units may allow for overlap and allow us to cover $\approx 9x9$ m².
- Each unit weighs about 177 Kg and the 8 units that form one detector layer about 1.4 metric tons (using bar density of I.1 gm/cc).

Detector plane layout studies

- Left view of an assembled cell where readout is in units of 16 bars.
- ► Here fiber exiting first bar on left is inserted in bar 17, fiber from second bar in bar 18 ...
- ▶ WLS fiber entering bar 1 & fiber exiting bar 17 used to determine longitudinal position...
- Right, view of the first 32 bars.





Advantages

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- SiPMs one same side simplifies DAQ read out.
- Cooling, insulation all in one unit on one side.

Complications

- Complicates assembly of WLS fiber and increases probability of fracturing of damaging fiber during installation.
- Requires protective cover on WLS fibers

More to Come – Stay Tuned

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