

# Gaseous Detectors for Future Accelerators

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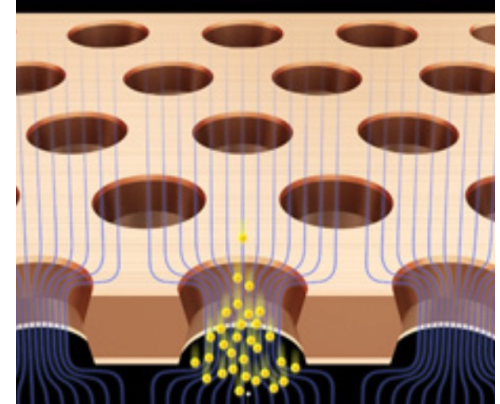


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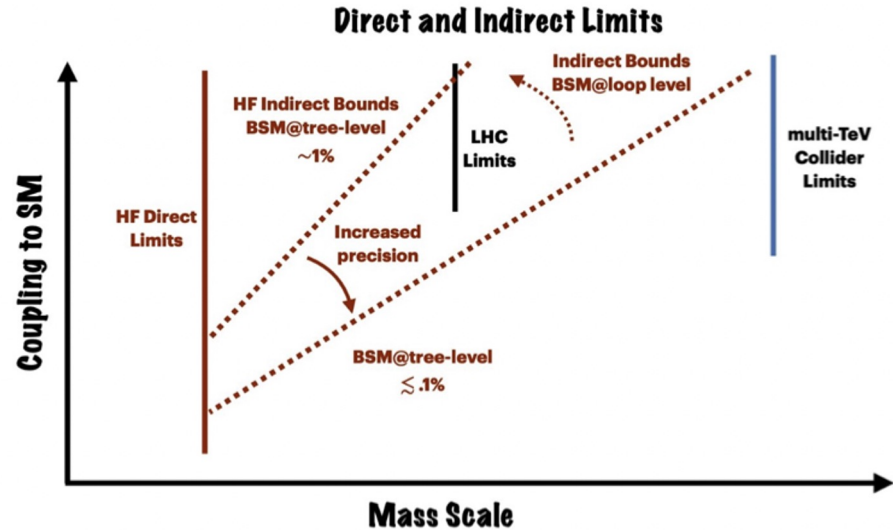
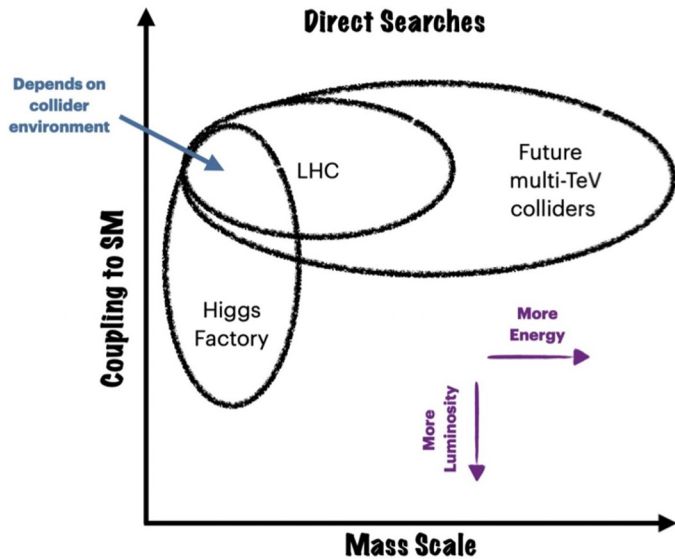


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- Introduction: Future Colliders
- Gaseous Detectors for
  - Upgrade of LHC experiments
  - Lepton Colliders
  - Electron-Ion Collider
  - FCC-hh
- Trends and R&D on Gaseous Detectors
- Summary



- New physics can be at low as at high mass scales,
- Naturalness would prefer scales close to the EW scale, but LHC already placed strong bounds around 1-2 TeV.



Higgs coupling measurements and direct searches will complement each other in exploring the 1-10 TeV scale and beyond.

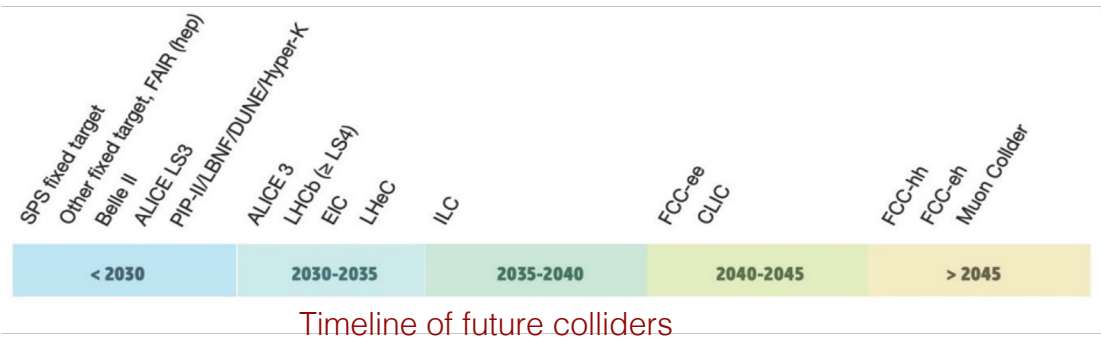
# Future Colliders

## Higgs-boson factories (up to 1 TeV c.o.m. energy)

Collider	Type	$\sqrt{s}$	$\mathcal{P}[\%]$ $e^-/e^+$	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$ $\text{ab}^{-1}/\text{IP}$
HL-LHC	pp	14 TeV		3
ILC & C <sup>3</sup>	ee	250 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	2
		350 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	0.2
		500 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	4
		1 TeV	$\pm 80/\pm 20$	8
CLIC	ee	380 GeV	$\pm 80/0$	1
CEPC	ee	$M_Z$		50
		$2M_W$		3
		240 GeV		10
		360 GeV		0.5
FCC-ee	ee	$M_Z$		75
		$2M_W$		5
		240 GeV		2.5
		$2 M_{\text{top}}$		0.8
$\mu$ -collider	$\mu\mu$	125 GeV		0.02

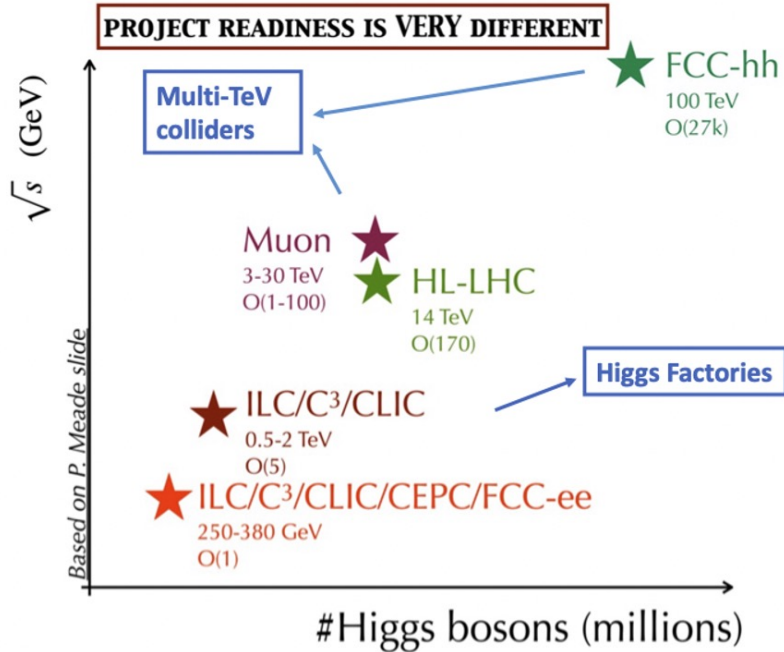
## Multi-TeV colliders (> 1 TeV c.o.m. energy)

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					Const.	Physics
HE-LHC	pp	27 TeV		15		
FCC-hh	pp	100 TeV		30	2063	2074
SppC	pp	75-125 TeV		10-20		2055
LHeC	ep	1.3 TeV		1		
FCC-eh	ep	3.5 TeV		2		
CLIC	ee	1.5 TeV	$\pm 80/0$	2.5	2052	2058
		3.0 TeV	$\pm 80/0$	5		
$\mu$ -collider	$\mu\mu$	3 TeV		1	2038	2045
		10 TeV		10		



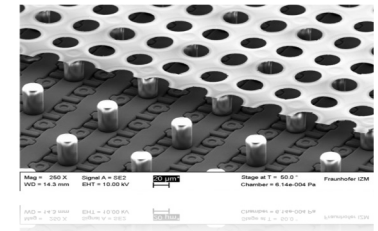
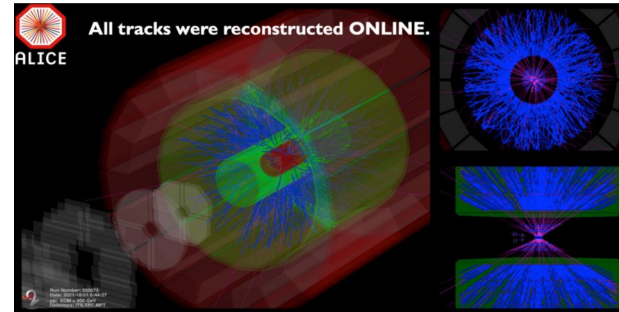


# Future Colliders



Detector requirements depend strongly by the machine parameters

- Hadron Colliders → high pile-up, high rate
- Lepton Colliders → cleaner environment



From micro-patterns to large experiments, gaseous detectors are still largely exploited

# Gaseous detectors at LHC

- Gaseous detectors devices are successfully used in HEP since many decades
- They are key detectors in current forefront experiments, e.g. at LHC
- Mostly as central tracker (TPC) and Muon systems



- **ALICE**
  - CSC
  - MWPC
  - RPC
  - Timing RPC
  - GEM
- **ATLAS**
  - MDT
  - CSC
  - TGC, sTGC
  - RPC
  - Micromegas
  - TRT
- **CMS**
  - DT
  - CSC
  - RPC, iRPC
  - GEM
- **LHCb**
  - MWPC
  - GEM

Gaseous detectors at the 4 large LHC experiments,  
including legacy (Run1, Run2) and Phase1 upgrade (Run3)

# Applications

- Gaseous detectors are used in and are being developed for many HEP applications
- Each one challenging one or more performance or construction limits



**Gaseous Detectors**

**Operations**

**Performance**

**Construction**

- Large detector surface for big experiments

- Industrialisation
- Maintenance

- Geometry

- Planar
- Cylindrical
- Spherical

- Time resolution

- Fast gas
- Multistage
- Cherenkov

- Space resolution

- Granularity
- uTPC
- Si readout

- Rate capability

- Ion background suppression
- Small-size readout

- Gas mixture

- Drift velocity
- Diffusion
- Amplification vs HV stability
- Aging...

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- Gas mixture
- Materials

- Spark protection

- Resistive coating
- Segmentation
- Gas mixture

# Disclaimer

- Impossible to cover all the ongoing efforts on gaseous detectors for future accelerators
- I will show a selected number of representative examples focused on detectors at Colliders
- What is not mentioned is NOT less relevant!

### MPGD-based Neutron Detectors

MPGD coupled to non-converters  
 > TIER / Spallation sources  
 > Neutron-beam diagnostics

Experiment/Technology	Application Domain	MPGD Technology	Total detector size / Single module size	Operational Characteristics / Performance	Special Requirements / Remarks
SPN-SM, Neutron Spallation Source (CERN)	Neutron counting, Neutronuclear Cryodiagnostics	CEM or Gas conversion	Total area: 1 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Locate the secondary peak in low neutron fluxes Measure the neutron rate
SPN-SM, Neutron Spallation Source (CERN)	Neutron counting, Small Angle	CEM or Gas conversion	Total area: 1 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Measure T <sub>2</sub> of neutron interaction in a 3D reconstruction
SPN-SM, Neutron Spallation Source (CERN)	Neutron counting, Beam profile	CEM or Gas conversion	Total area: 100 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Measurement of the neutron intensity and composition of the neutron beam parameters

### MPGD Technologies for Neutrino Physics

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LSH-3000	Neutrino physics (Tracking)	TPC or Microstrip	Total area: 100 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Provide fine timing of the neutrino interaction
LSH-3000	Neutrino physics (Tracking)	Microstrip, CEM, drift cell	Total area: 100 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Provide fine timing of the neutrino interaction
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### LHC

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### MPGD Technologies for the International Linear Collider

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### MPGD Tracking Concepts for Hadron / Nuclear Physics

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EXCALIBUR	X-ray Physics (Tracking)	Microstrip	Total area: 1000 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit: 10 cm x 10 cm	Max. rate: 100000 Spat. res.: 10 cm Time res.: 10 ns	Radon tracking and triggering
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### Cylindrical MPGDs as Inner Trackers for Particle / Nuclear Physics

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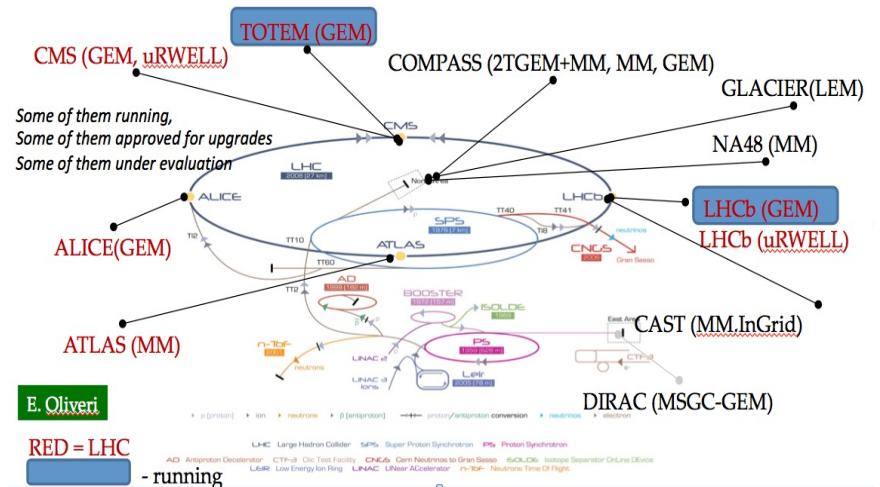
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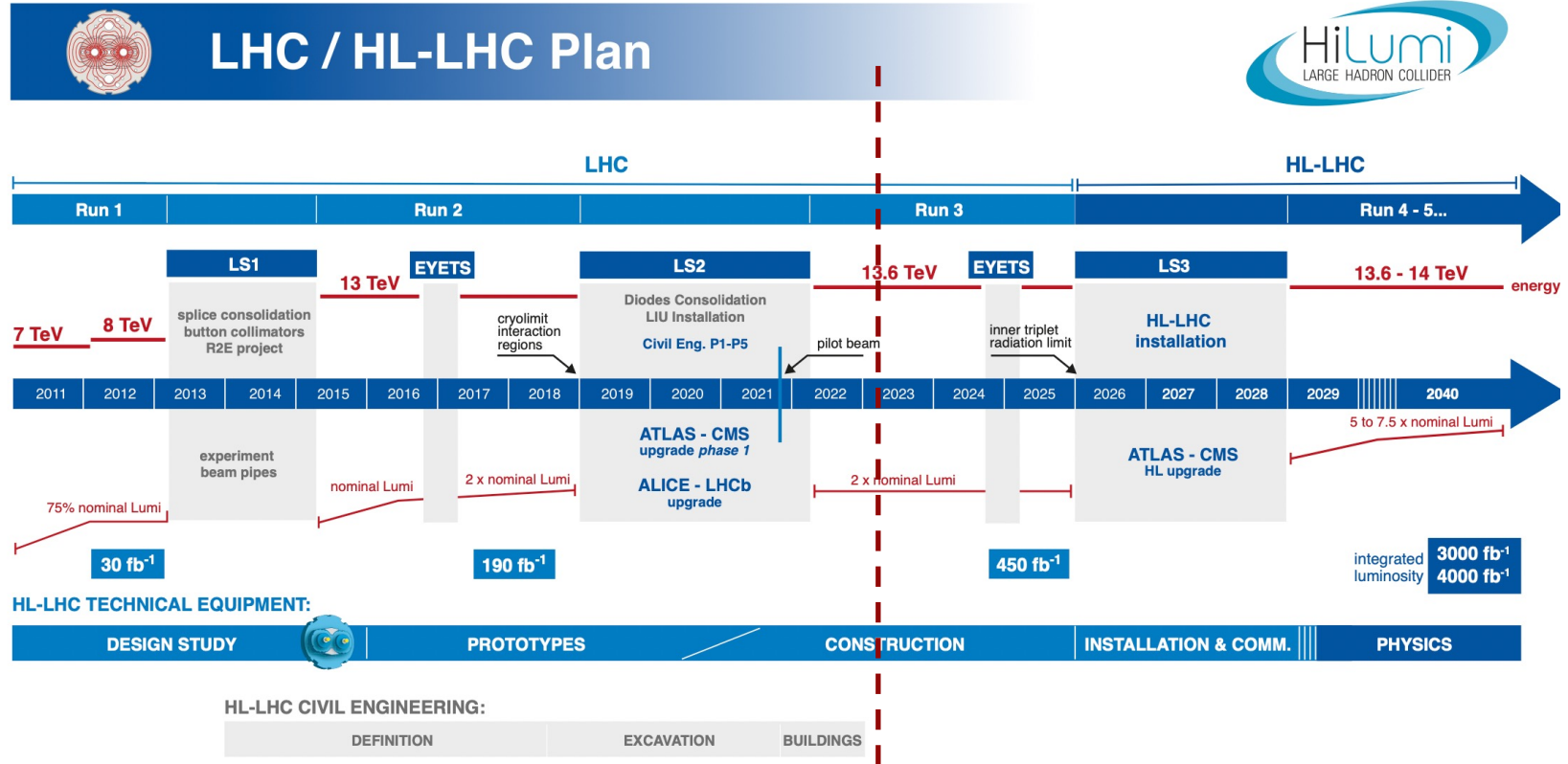
(Out-of-date) list of MPGD application  
 M. Titov, 5<sup>th</sup> MPGD conference

# LHC experiments upgrade





# High Luminosity LHC



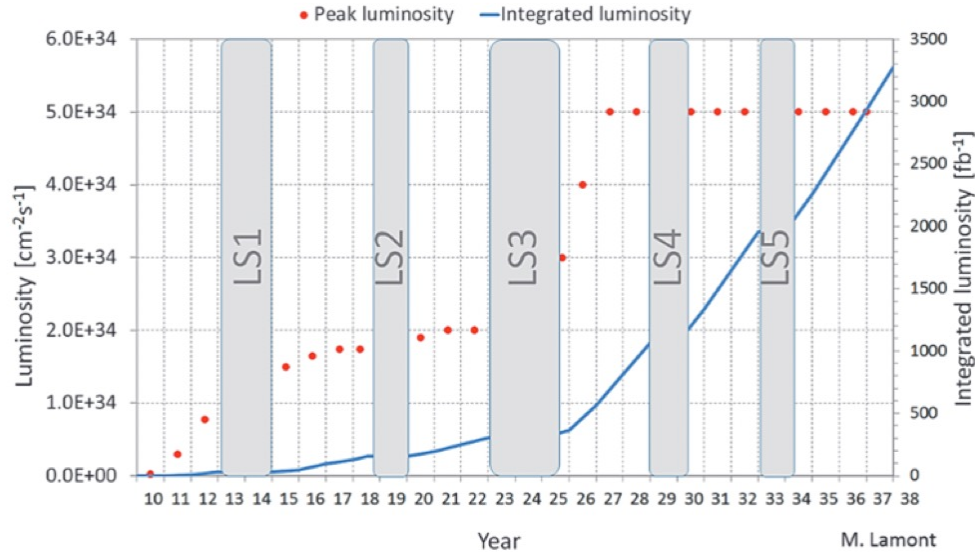


Fig. 7. Peak luminosity (red dots) and integrated luminosity (blue line) vs time till 2035.

The development of gaseous detectors for HiLumi LHC is driving the effort for (most although not all) technologies proposed for experiments at future colliders

All challenges already here:

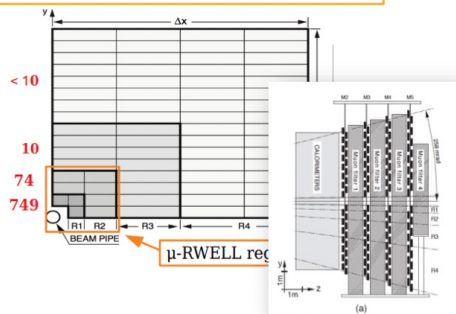
- High rate
- High radiation
- Pileup

# High rate

- Increase in luminosity  $\rightarrow$  rate increase
- Extend the coverage to high eta region  $\rightarrow$  rate increase

## LHCb M Stations

**M2 station - max rate (kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>)**



CERN-LHCC-2021-012 ; LHCb-TDR-023,  
Framework TDR for the LHCb Upgrade II -  
Opportunities in flavour physics, and beyond, in the  
HL-LHC era, <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2776420/>

## CMS ME0

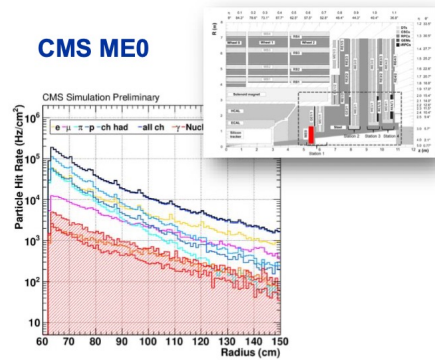
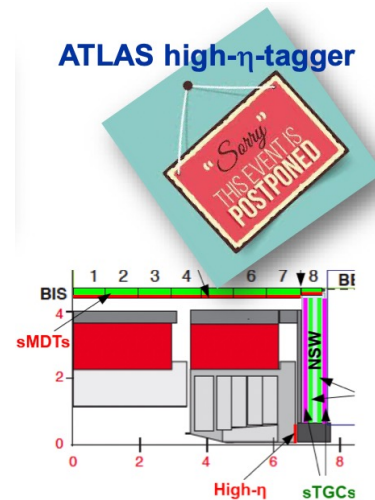


Fig. 2. Expected background flux in the ME0 environment as a function of the distance from the LHC beam line.

Rate capability of large-area triple-GEM detectors and  
new foil design for the innermost station, ME0, of the  
CMS endcap muon system, [arXiv:2201.09021](https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.09021)

## ATLAS high- $\eta$ -tagger



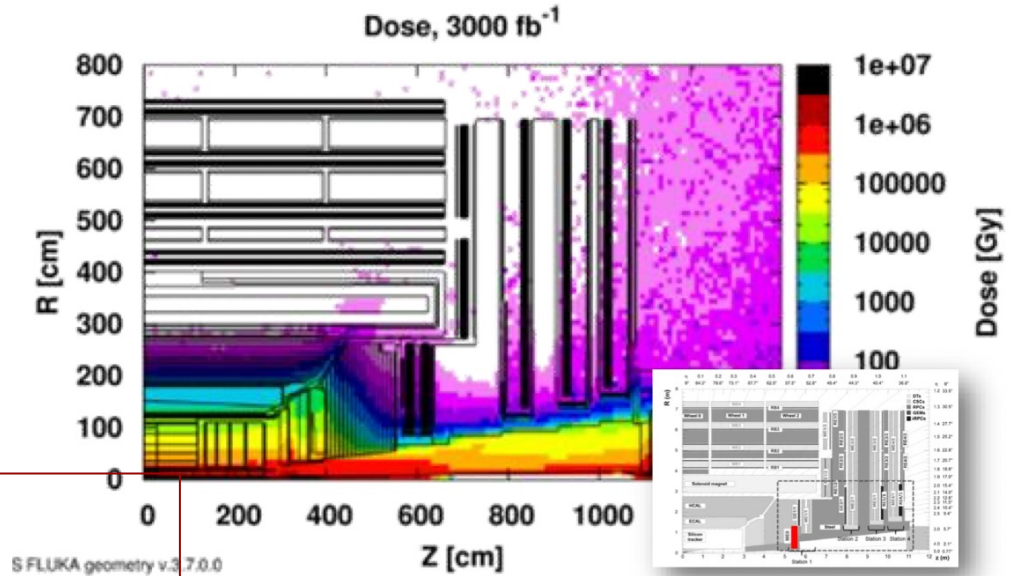
Rate Capability (@ inner radius  
 $R = 25$  cm): up to 10 MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>)

CERN-LHCC-2017-017 ; ATLAS-TDR-026,  
Technical Design Report for the Phase-II  
Upgrade of the ATLAS Muon Spectrometer,  
<http://cds.cern.ch/record/2285580/>

To cope with rates up to 1 MHz/cm<sup>2</sup> Micro Pattern Gaseous Detectors are becoming a popular choice  
Wire chambers, drift tubes and RPC remain a valid option for rates up to O(10-100 kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>)

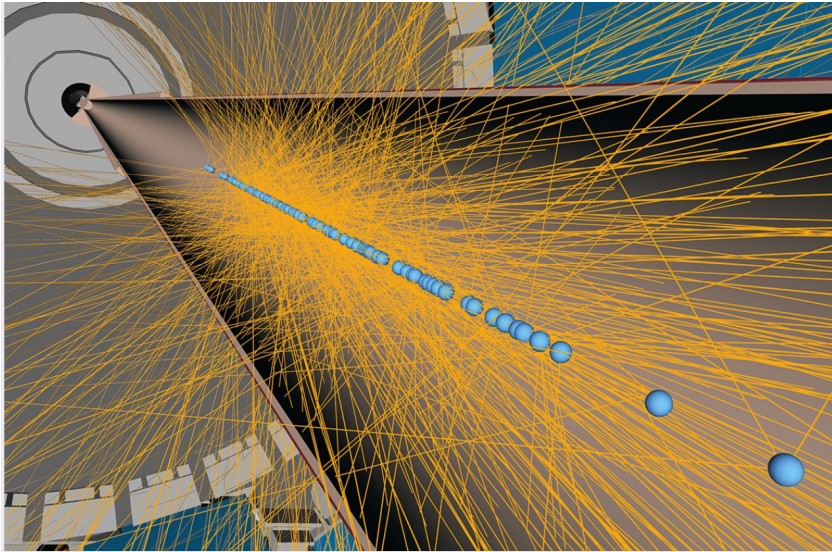


Annual dose delivered to the detector per year in the HL-LHC era will be similar to the total dose of all operations from the beginning of the LHC program to the start of LS3



## Detector challenges:

- Detector longevity (aging)
- Material validation
- Radiation tolerant front-end electronics
- Sensitivity to low energy neutrons and photons



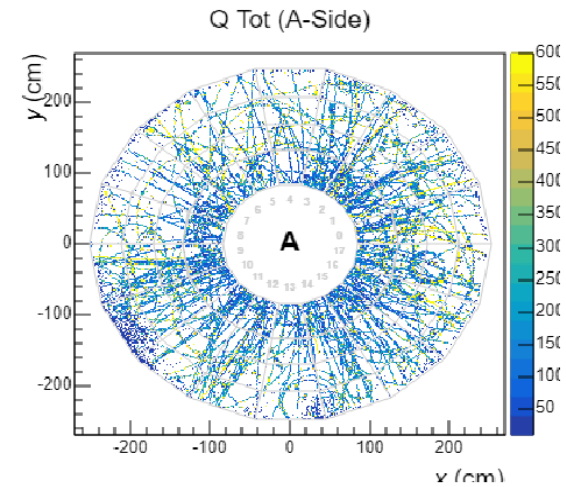
- ATLAS simulated  $t\bar{t}$  event at 14 TeV at HL-LHC
- 200 pileup interaction in the same BC
  - 2000 reconstructed tracks

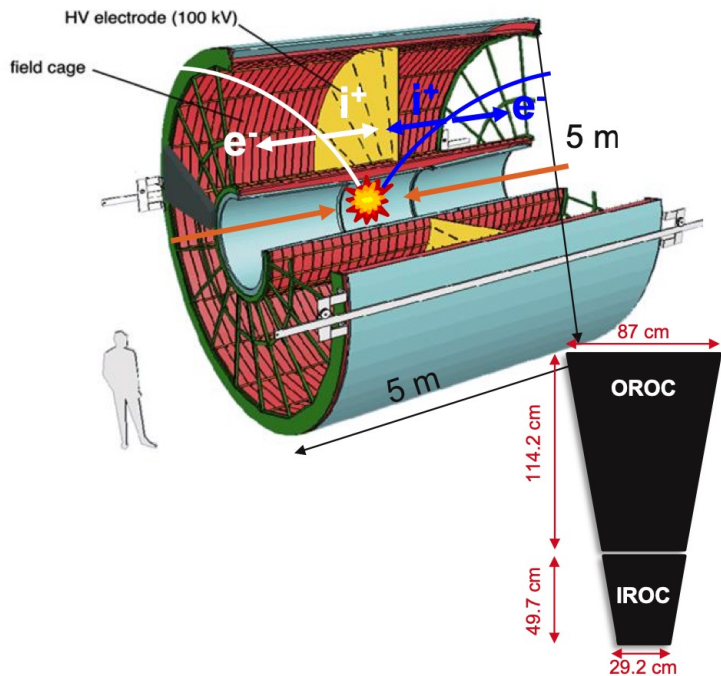
Pileup impacts track identification and reconstruction, adds extra energy to the calorimeter, hide “isolated” leptons, impact trigger and offline reconstruction...

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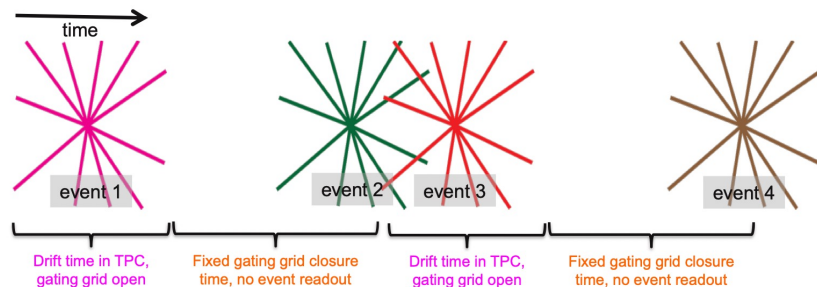
- High space granularity
- High time granularity → 4d reconstruction
- Low material budget (central regions)

# ALICE TPC





## GATED OPERATION IN RUN 1 & RUN 2

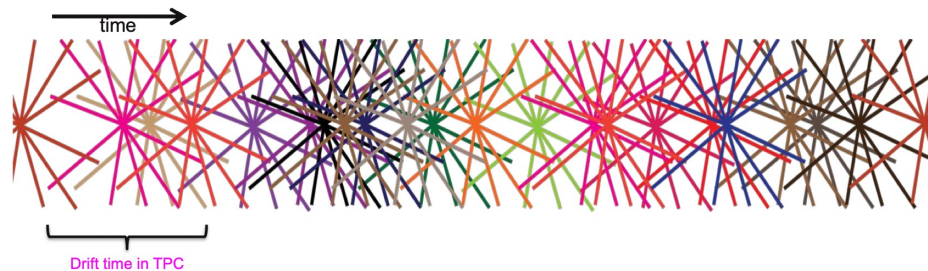
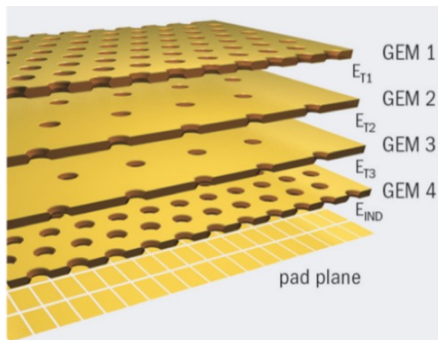


- **Multi Wire Proportional Chamber readout**
- A pulsed gating grid is used to prevent back-drifting ions from the amplification stage to distort the drift field (ion backflow (IBF) suppression  $\sim 10^{-5}$ )
- 100  $\mu\text{s}$  electron drift time + 200/400  $\mu\text{s}$  gate closed (Ne/Ar) to minimize ion backflow and drift-field distortions
- **300/500  $\mu\text{s}$**  in total limits the maximal readout rate to **few kHz** (in pp)
- Limitation of readout electronics:  $\sim\text{kHz}$  in Run 2 (**2017 pp: 2040 Hz**)

Gated operation used in Run1 & 2 becomes unacceptable after Run3 (current run) and beyond

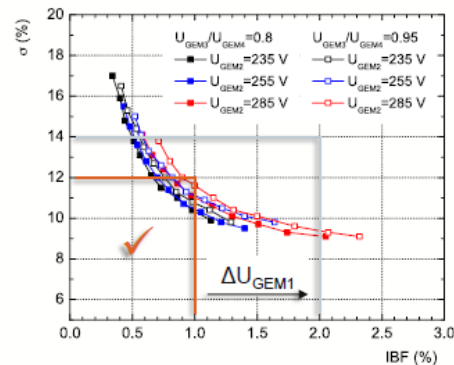
- Mandatory to identify a stable amplification stage with reduced IBF and good energy resolution  
 → move to non-gated, continuous operation

## CONTINUOUS OPERATION IN RUN 3 AND BEYOND

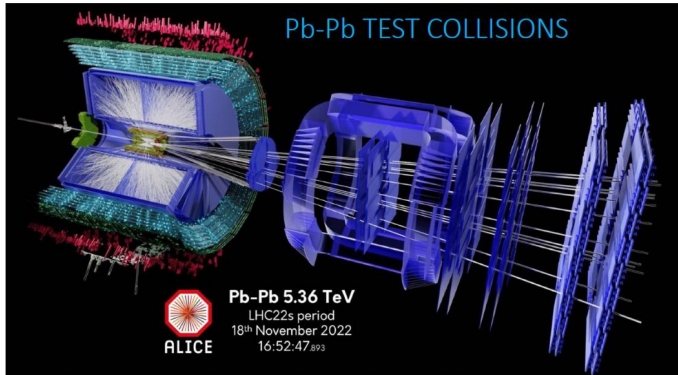
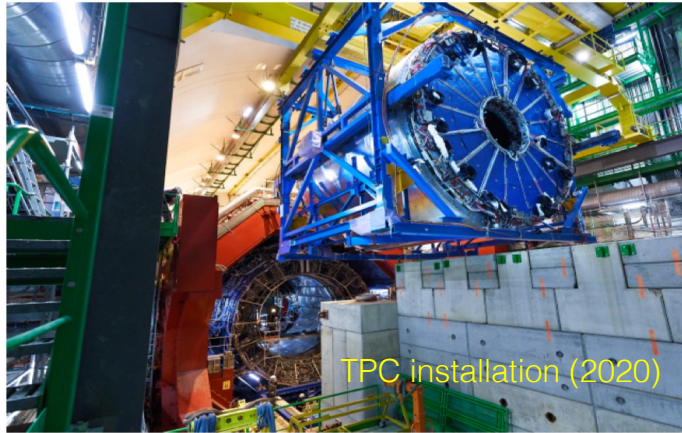


- Maximum drift time of electrons in the TPC:  $\sim 100 \mu\text{s}$
- Average event spacing:  $\sim 20 \mu\text{s}$
- Event pileup: 5 on average
- Triggered operation not efficient
- Minimize IBF without the use of a gating grid

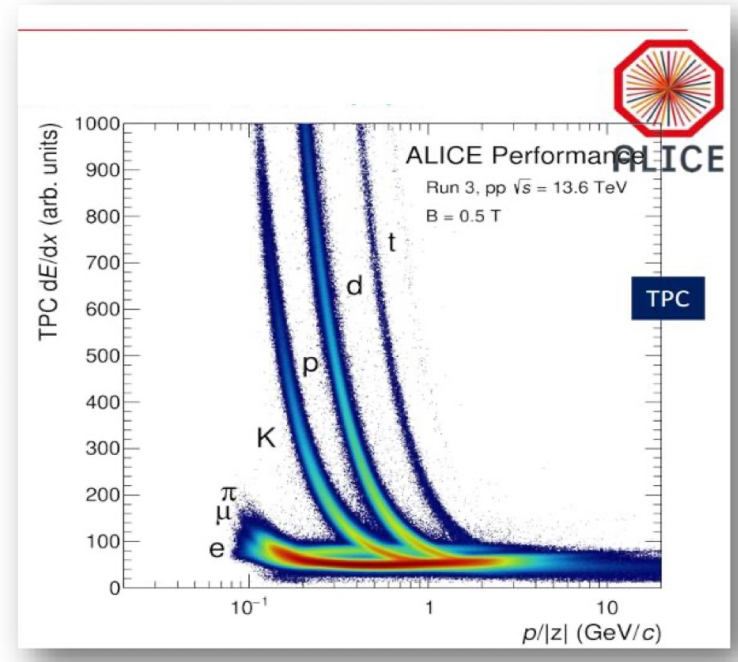
- ALICE: ungated GEM-based TPC
- Cascade of 4 GEM foils  $\rightarrow$  reduction of Ion backflow from  $\sim 5\%$  (3 GEM) to  $< 1\%$
- Continuous operation at  $> 50 \text{ kHz}$  Pb-Pb
- PID with  $dE/dx$ : fine tuning of geometry and HV sharing between foils; Energy resolution  $\sim 5\text{-}8\%$
- TPC volume:  $\sim 90 \text{ m}^3$ ; Active GEM area:  $\sim 32 \text{ m}^2$
- $B=0.5 \text{ T}$ ; Gas:  $\text{Ne}:\text{CO}_2:\text{N}_2$  (90:10:5)

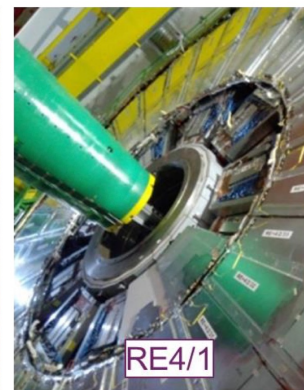
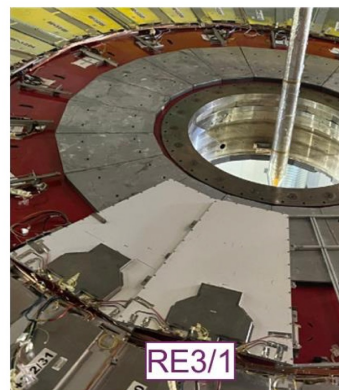






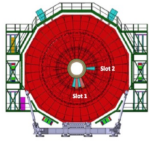
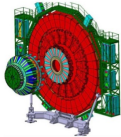
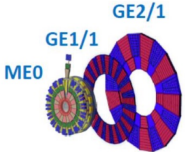
## ALICE PERFORMANCE IN 13.6 TeV pp



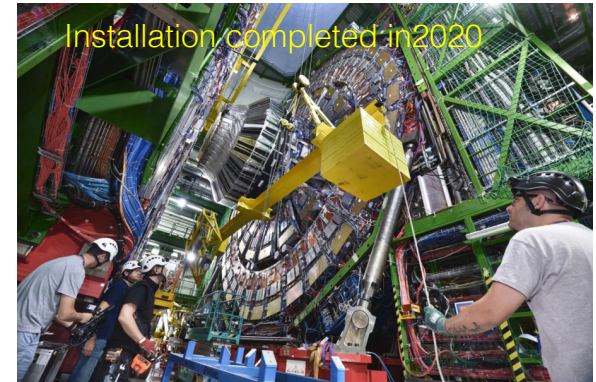
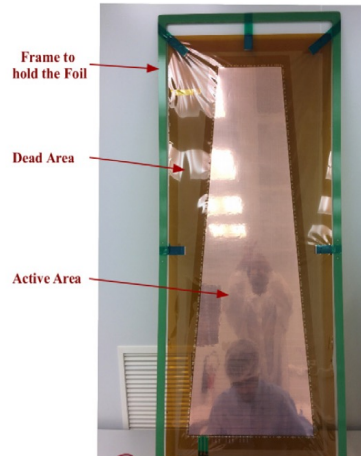
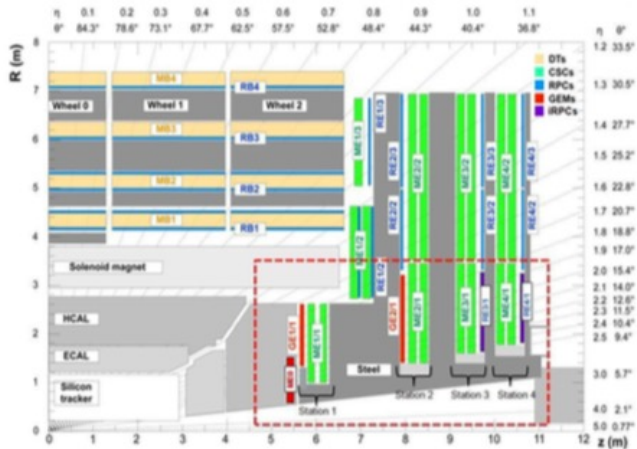


## CMS GEM

- GEM End-cap: Project on several phases
- 'Slice test' → Run2
- GE1/1 → Inner endcap Muon station → Phase 1
- GE2/2 → Second endcap Muon station → Phase 2
- ME0 → High rapidity region ( $|\eta|=2.03-2.8$ ) → Phase 2
- Gas: Ar:CO<sub>2</sub> 70:30

- **RUN 2**  
2017-2018  
  
Slice test  
Demonstration of GEMs in CMS
  - **Long Shutdown 2**  
**NOW**  
  
GE1/1 installation
  - **Year End Technical Stops and Long Shutdown 3**  
2022-2026  
  
Installation of ME0 and GE2/1 GEMs stations by the end of LS3
- Demonstrator: 4 GEM installed and successfully operated in CMS in Run2
  - GE1/1 2 wheel each of
    - 72 detectors → 36 'super-chambers'
    - Total active surface ~50 m<sup>2</sup>

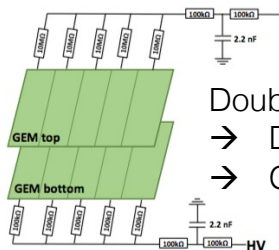
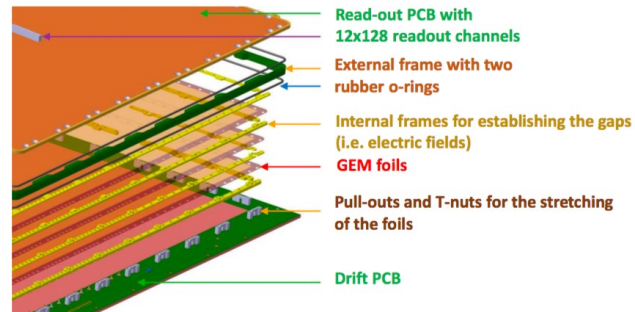
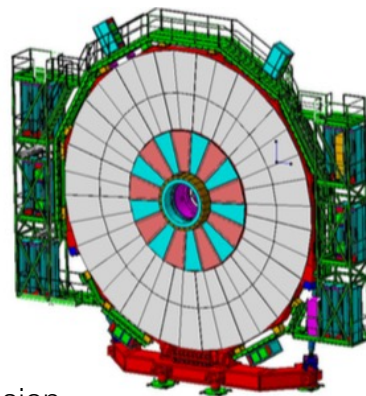
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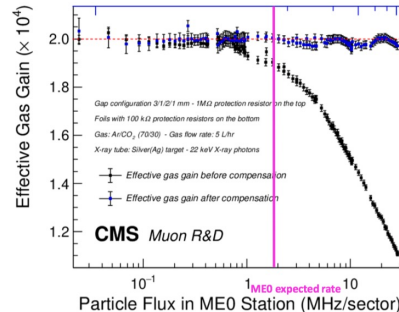
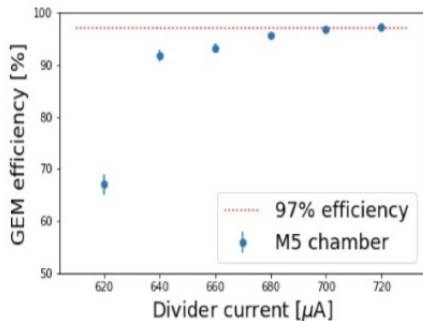
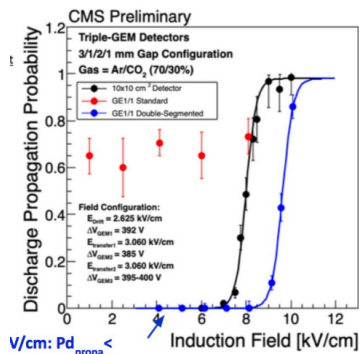
# CMS GEM

- GE2/2: 2 end-caps each of
- 36 chambers on 2 layers
- 4 modules/chamber → 288 modules
- Total active surface ~110 m<sup>2</sup>



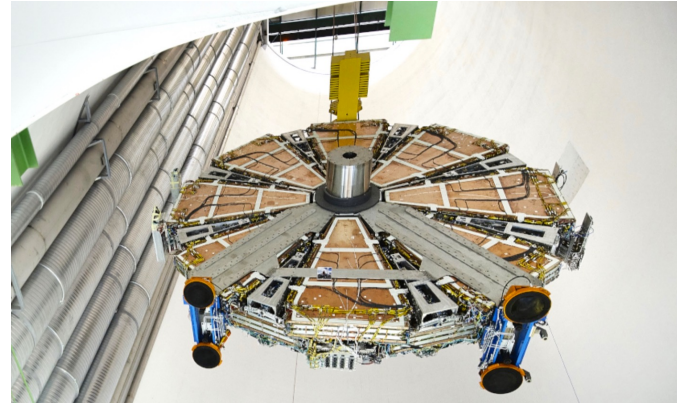
Double segmented foils 1 and 2  
 → Discharge probability suppression  
 → Good efficiency reached

- ME0: 2 end-caps each of
- 6 modules x 18 stations → 216 modules
- Module area 0.296 m<sup>2</sup> → total active area: 64 m<sup>2</sup>

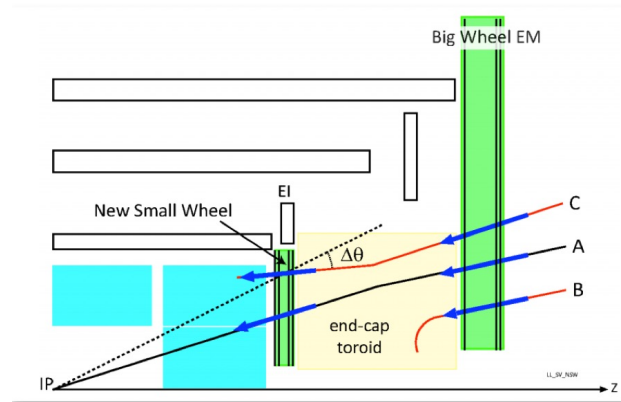
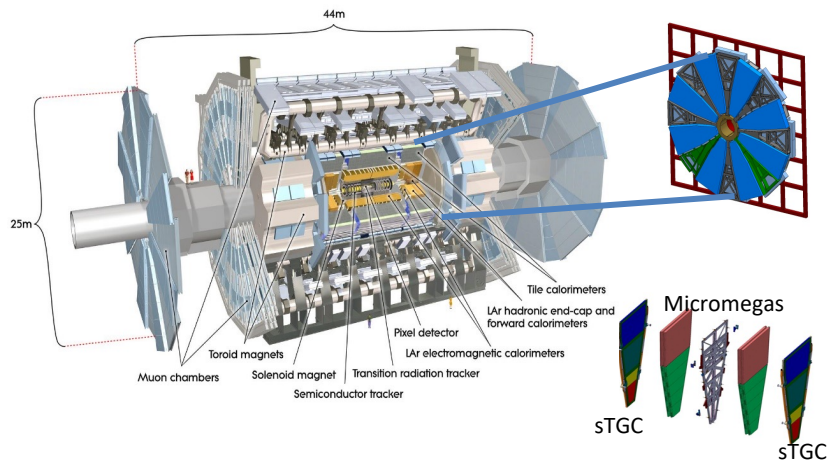


Voltage-drop compensation:  
 Promising results for triple GEM  
 working with stable gain at  
 particle flux of O(MHz/sector)

# ATLAS



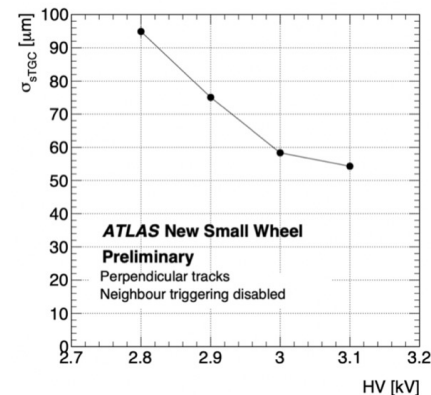
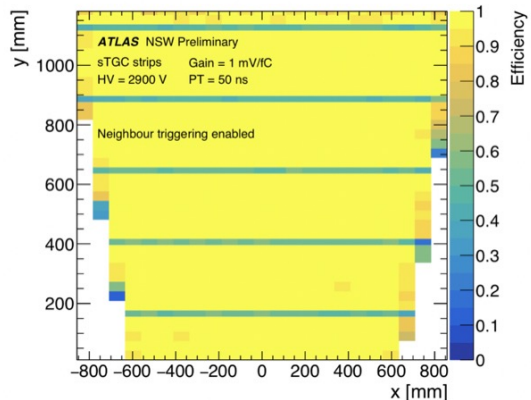
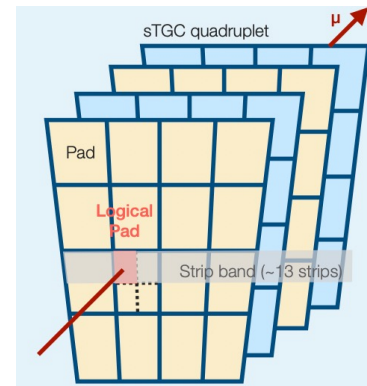
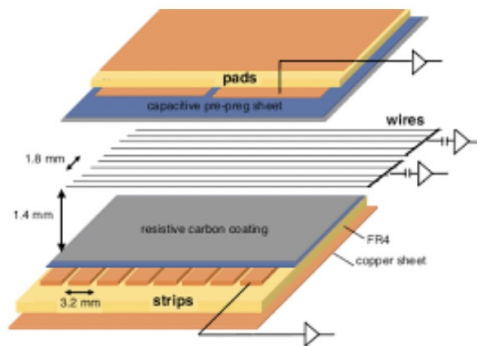
- Major ATLAS upgrade of Phase 1



Run1 & 2: Level 1 End-Cap trigger, dominated by fake trigger events (type B e C)

- Complementary technologies are used for triggering and for track reconstruction.
  - sTGC: good bunch crossing assignment with high radial resolution and rough  $\phi$  resolution from pads
  - Micromegas: good offline radial resolution and a good  $\phi$  coordinate due to its stereo strips
  - 1280 m<sup>2</sup> active surface for each technology

- **Small Strips Thin Gap Chambers (sTGC):**
  - Two cathode boards
  - Gold-Tungsten wires between the cathode boards
  - 380k channels
  - 192 detectors
  - CO<sub>2</sub>+n-Pentane



- ATLAS Micromegas is the largest MPGD-based system ever conceived and built
- 2.1 M readout channels
- 128 detectors
- Gas: Ar:CO<sub>2</sub> 93:7 → Ar:CO<sub>2</sub>:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> 93:5:2

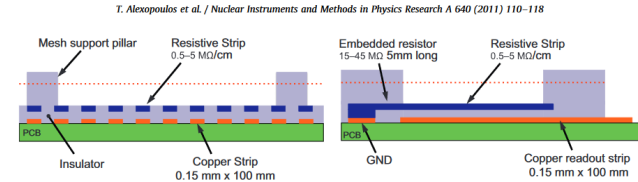
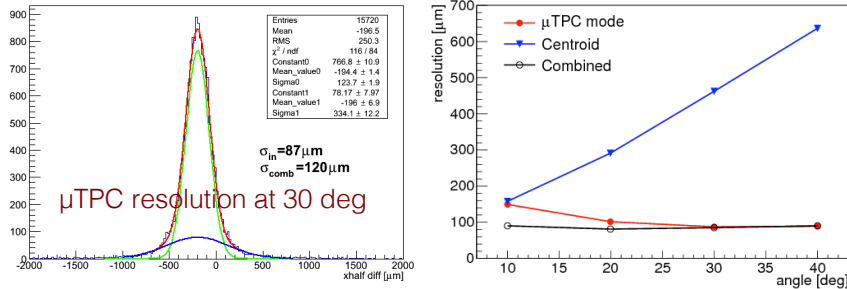
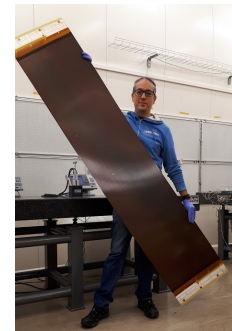


Fig. 1. Sketch of the detector principle (not to scale), illustrating the resistive protection scheme: (left) view along the strip direction, (right) side view, orthogonal to the strip direction.

The Micromegas R&D for ATLAS pioneered the development of resistive MPGD

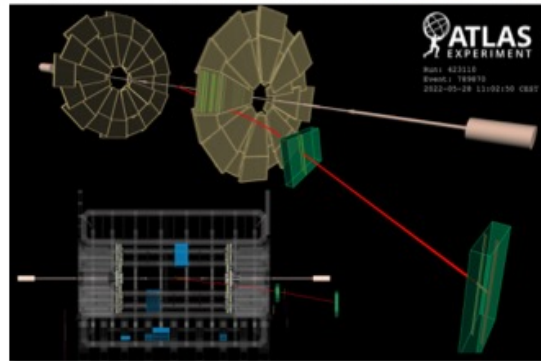
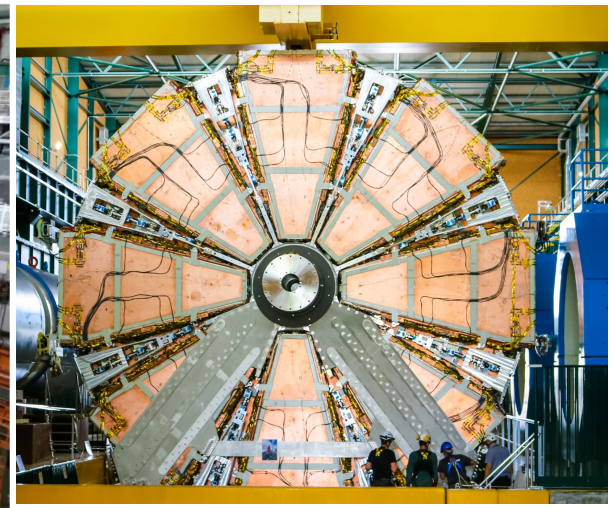
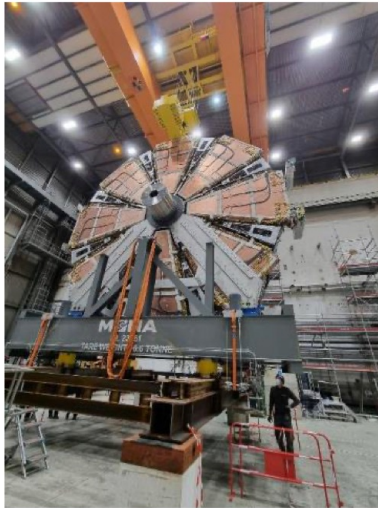


- The  $\mu$ TPC reconstruction technique allows for precise tracking at large impact angle

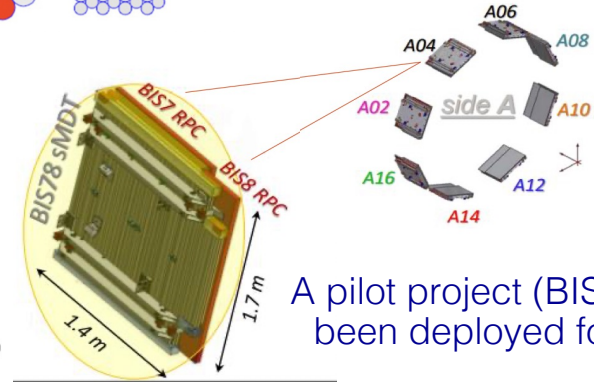
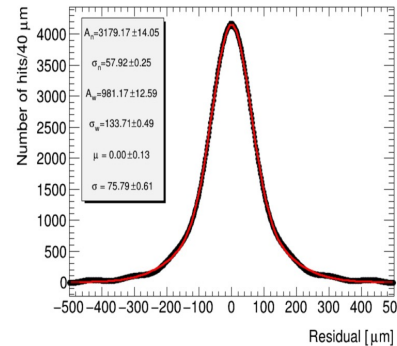
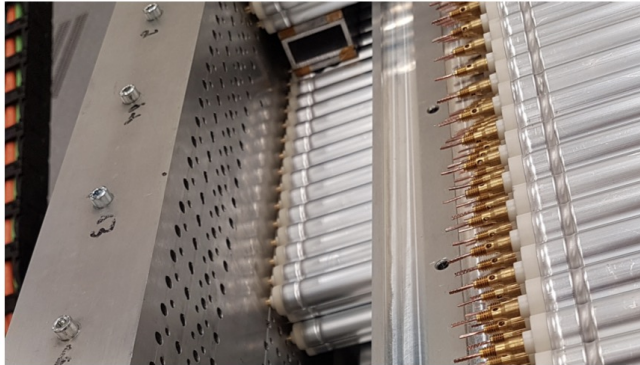
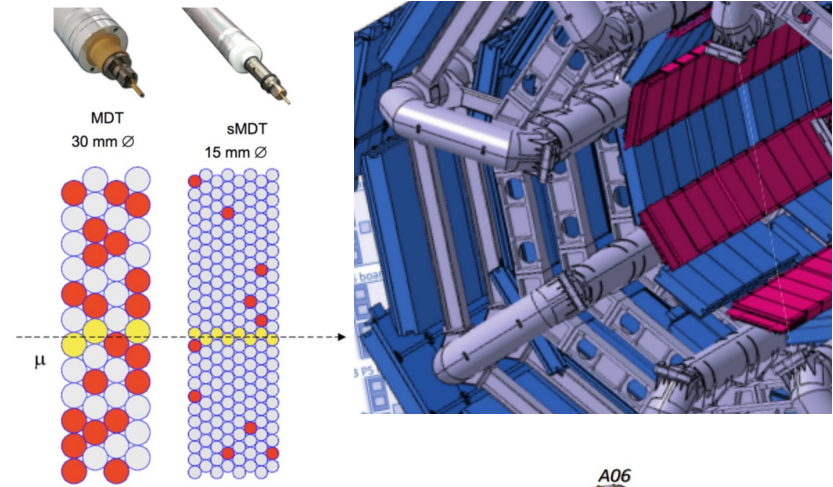
- Micromegas boards fully produced in industry
- ~2500 foils produced → big technological challenge



# ATLAS NSW



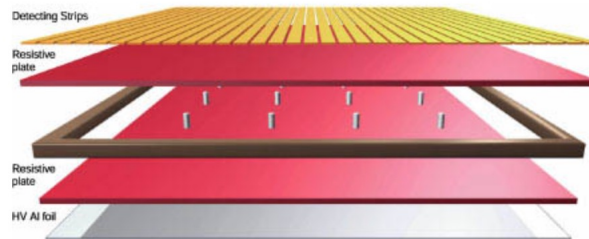
- The Phase-2 BI project
  - Replacement of the inner barrel MDT BIL with new detectors: sMDT and iRPC
  - iRPC layer to be added to BIS
- 30 mm  $\rightarrow$  15 mm:
  - increase rate capability
  - reduce geometrical encumbrance
- Well established technology, excellent performance



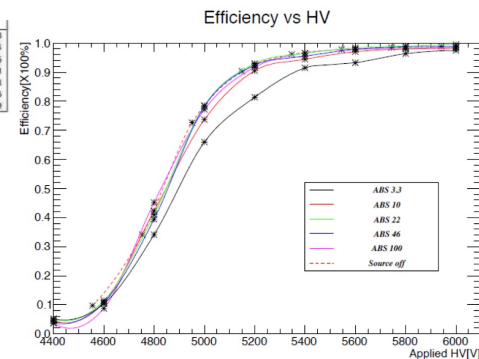
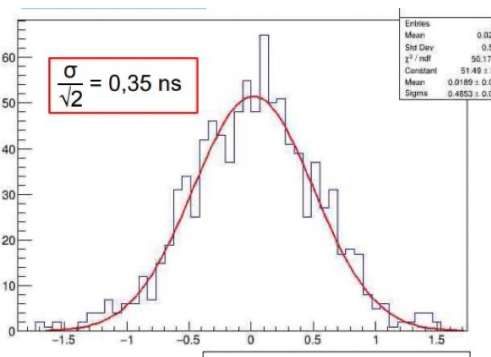
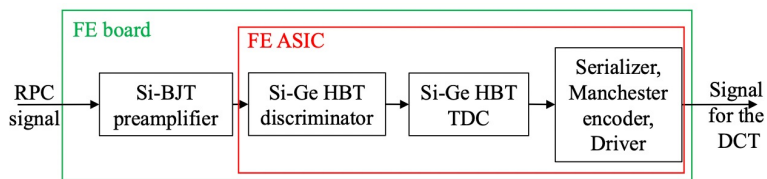
A pilot project (BIS7-8) has been deployed for Run3

## Improved RPC:

- Reduced electrode thickness 1.4 mm
- Resistivity  $5 \times 10^{10}$
- Gas gap 1 mm / chambers with 3 layers
- Rate capability or longevity  $\times 10$
- Time resolution  $< 400$  ps



Transfer amplification from gas to FE electronics  
 → new FE with new chip, threshold as low as 1 fC



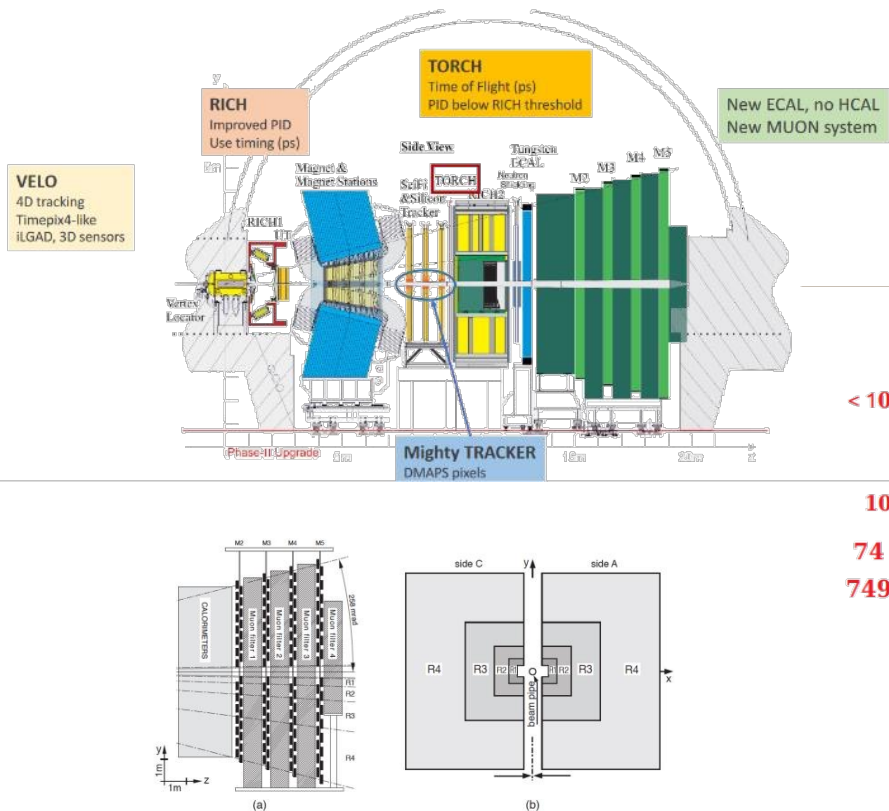
Silicon BJT for the discrete component preamplifier  
 Full custom ASIC in IHP BiCMOS technology

iRPC also used in CMS for Phase2 upgrade:  
 extension of the RPC coverage to  $1.9 < |\eta| < 2.4$

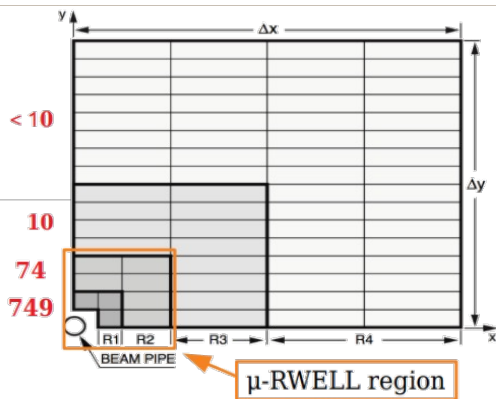




LHCb



- LHCb Upgrade of the Muon system for Run5 and beyond
- Rate up to 1 MHz/cm<sup>2</sup> on detector single gap
- Rate up to 700 kHz per electronic channel
- Efficiency quadrigap  $\geq 99\%$  within a BX (25 ns)
- Stability up to 1C/cm<sup>2</sup> in 10y at M2R1
- Gain=4000



Rates (kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> )	M2	M3	M4	M5
R1	749	431	158	134
R2	74	54	23	15
R3	10	6	4	3
R4	8	2	2	2

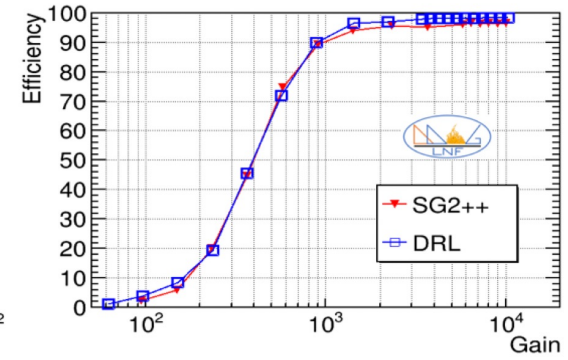
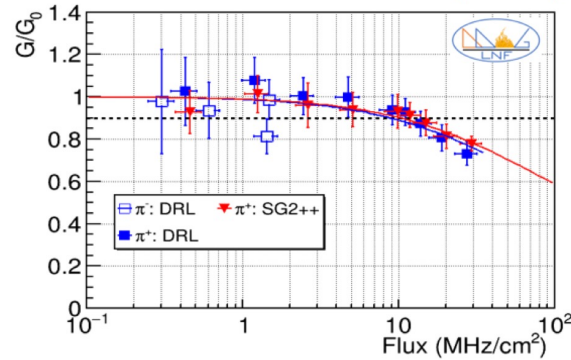
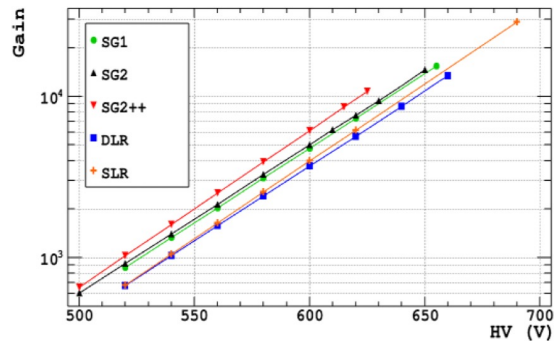
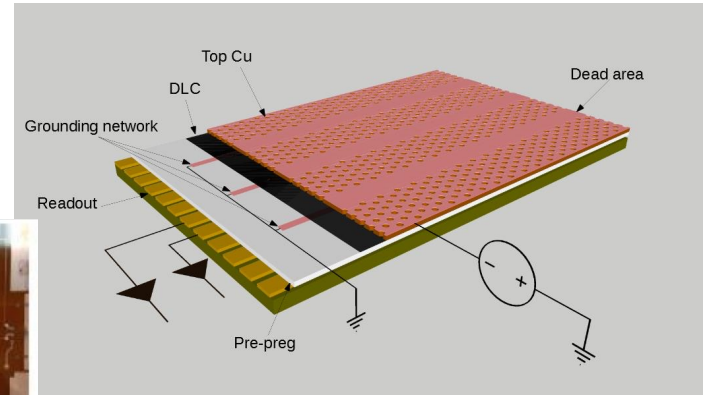
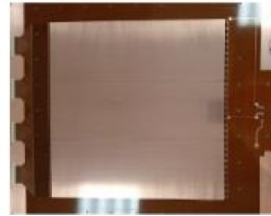
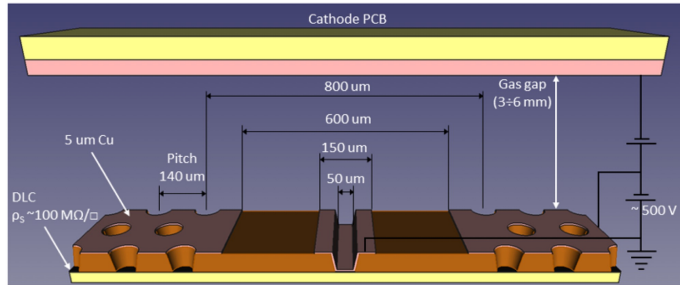
Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	M2	M3	M4	M5
R1	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.4
R2	3.6	4.2	4.9	5.5
R3	14.4	16.8	19.3	22.2
R4	57.6	67.4	77.4	88.7

R1/R2  $\mu$ RWELL (4 gaps/chamber)  
 R3/R4 MWPC (alternative solutions for R4 are RPC or Scintillating-tile+WLS+SiPM)

Figure 4.15: (a) Side view of the LHCb muon system for the Phase-I Upgrade. (b) Station layout with the four regions R1–R4 indicated.

## uRWELL for LHCb

- 76 detectors, size 30x25 to 74x31 cm<sup>2</sup>
- 90 m<sup>2</sup> detector (130 m<sup>2</sup> DLC)
- Gas: Ar:CO<sub>2</sub>:CF<sub>4</sub> (45:15:40)



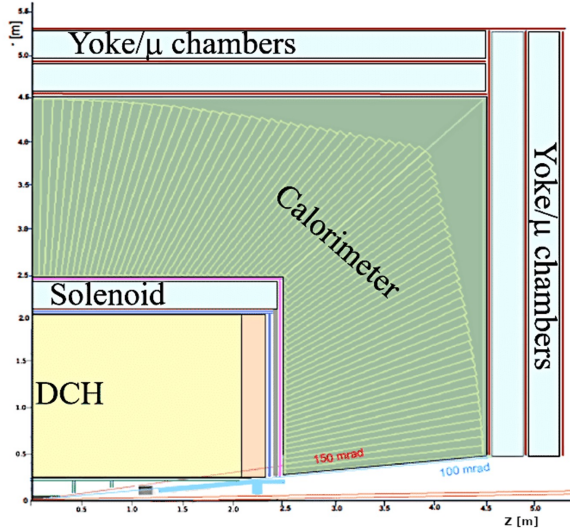
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# Lepton Colliders

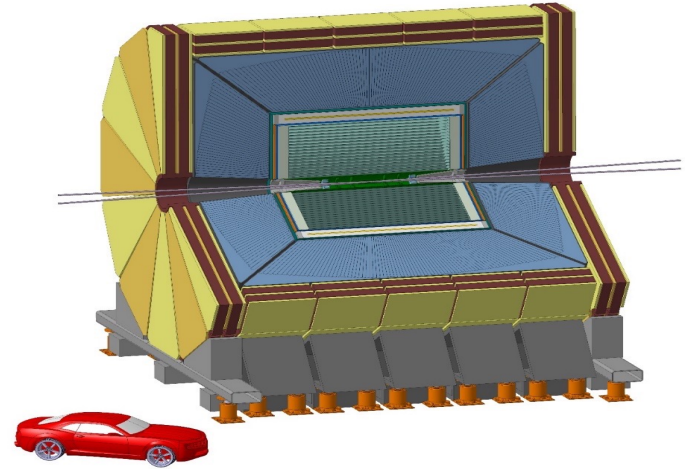


# Lepton colliders

- In Lepton Colliders gaseous detectors are still the optimal choice for inner trackers → low material budget
- The example is the IDEA detector concept
  - Proposed for large lepton colliders (FCC-ee, CEPC)



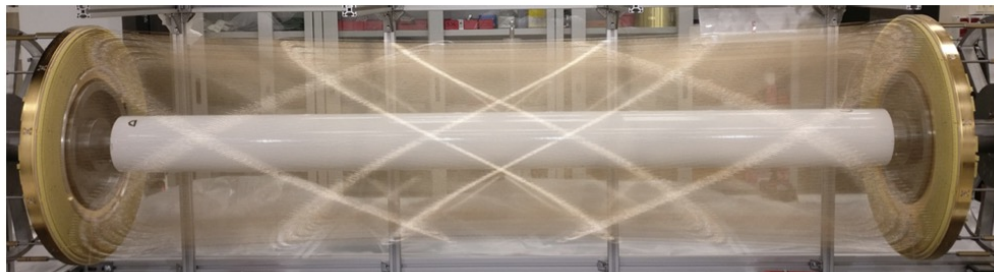
- Tracker:
  - Si pixel vertex detector
  - Drift Chamber (DCH)
  - Si wrappers (strips)
- U-RWELL for pre-shower detector and Muon system inside the magnet return yoke
- Superconducting solenoid 2T, 30cm, ~0.7X0, 0.16λ@90°



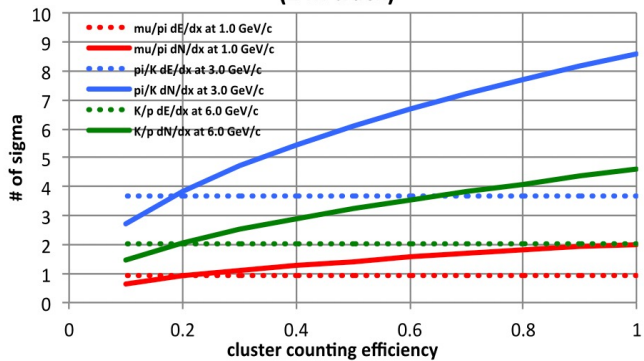
Physics process	Measurands	Detector subsystem	Performance requirement
$ZH, Z \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$ $H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	$m_H, \sigma(ZH)$ $BR(H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$	Tracker	$\Delta(1/p_T) = 2 \times 10^{-5} \oplus \frac{0.001}{p(\text{GeV}) \sin^{3/2} \theta}$
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}/c\bar{c}/g g$	$BR(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}/c\bar{c}/g g)$	Vertex	$5 \oplus \frac{\sigma_{r\phi} = 10}{p(\text{GeV}) \times \sin^{3/2} \theta} (\mu\text{m})$
$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}, WW^*, ZZ^*$	$BR(H \rightarrow q\bar{q}, WW^*, ZZ^*)$	ECAL HCAL	$\sigma_E^{\text{jet}}/E = 3 \sim 4\% \text{ at } 100 \text{ GeV}$
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$BR(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	ECAL	$\frac{\Delta E/E = 0.20}{\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}} \oplus 0.01$

- Developed from previous DCH: MEG II
- Compromise between granularity and transparency
- High momentum resolution
- Ultra light detector
- Assisted by Si wrappers
- Dimensions:  $L=400\text{mm}$  ;  $R=35+200\text{cm}$
- Total thickness: 1.6% of  $X_0$  at  $90^\circ$
- 112 layers for each  $15^\circ$  azimuthal sector

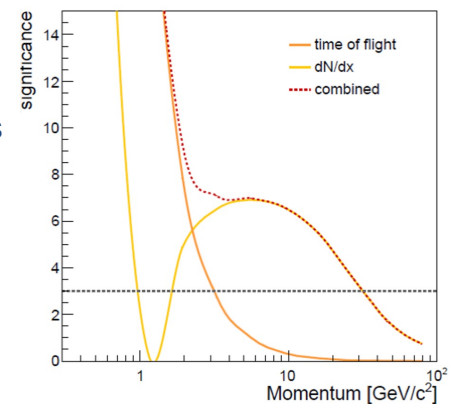
MEG-II DCH



Particle separation vs cluster counting efficiency  
(2 m track)

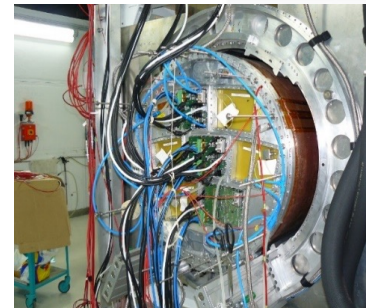
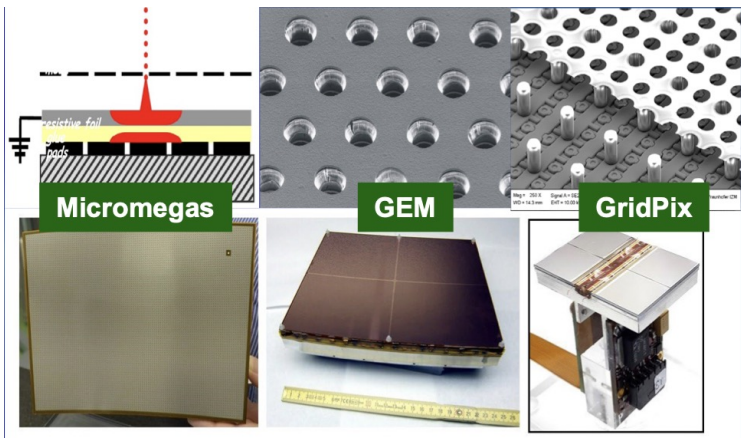
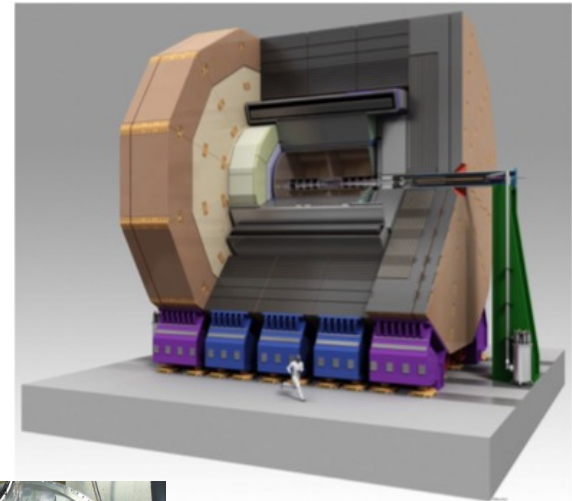


- Particle ID with cluster counting
- Tracks with rather low  $p_T$  ( $<50$  GeV)
- Gas: He:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> (09:10) → ionisation signals few ns; drift time 350 ns
- Fast readout (GHz sampling)
- PID with  $dN/dx$  expected to be better than  $dE/dx$  except for  $0.75 < p < 1.05$  (recoverable with ToF)





- A TPC ideally combines  $dE/dx$  measurement and low material budget, allowing a continuous measurement of the tracks. A strong magnetic field aligned with the TPC drift field limits diffusion and allows charged track momentum measurement.
- Together with silicon (vertex) detectors, it provides excellent performance in resolution
- TPC is the main tracker for the ILD detector concept. At ILC, it profits from a beam time structure allowing power switching and gating.



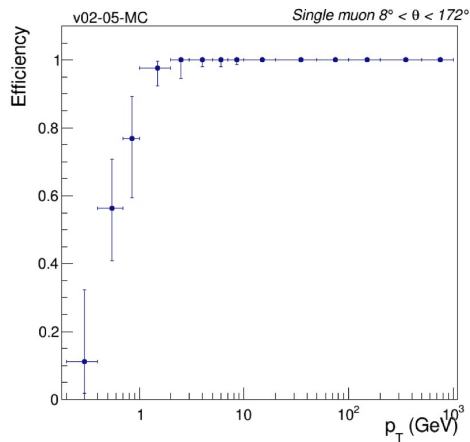
First development of large scale GridPix detector

~10 m<sup>2</sup> detector surface. Three option under study: Micromegas / GEM / GridPix





- Gaseous detectors (RPC) considered for Muon system, interleaved in an iron yoke
- Targets 100  $\mu\text{m}$  space and 1 ns time resolutions
- High number of hits in the forward disks due to the beam induced background
- Good efficiency observed throughout the momentum and rapidity range, further improvements in progress



## hadronic calorimeter

- ◆ 60 layers of 19-mm steel absorber + plastic scintillating tiles;
- ◆ 30x30 mm<sup>2</sup> cell size;
- ◆ 7.5  $\lambda_I$ .

## electromagnetic calorimeter

- ◆ 40 layers of 1.9-mm W absorber + silicon pad sensors;
- ◆ 5x5 mm<sup>2</sup> cell granularity;
- ◆ 22  $X_0 + 1 \lambda_I$ .

## muon detectors

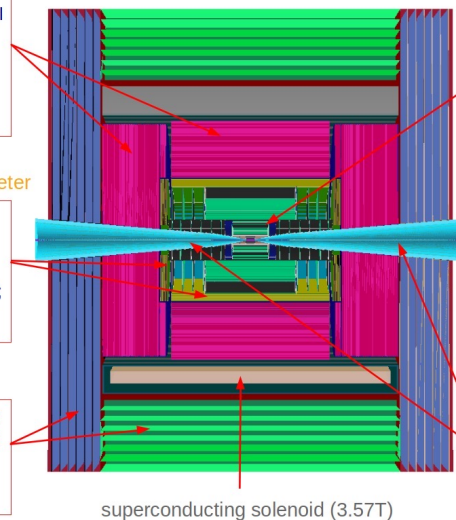
- ◆ 7-barrel, 6-endcap RPC layers interleaved in the magnet's iron yoke;
- ◆ 30x30 mm<sup>2</sup> cell size.

## tracking system

- ◆ **Vertex Detector:**
  - double-sensor layers (4 barrel cylinders and 4+4 endcap disks);
  - 25x25  $\mu\text{m}^2$  pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Inner Tracker:**
  - 3 barrel layers and 7+7 endcap disks;
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 1 mm macro-pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Outer Tracker:**
  - 3 barrel layers and 4+4 endcap disks;
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 10 mm micro-strip Si sensors.

## shielding nozzles

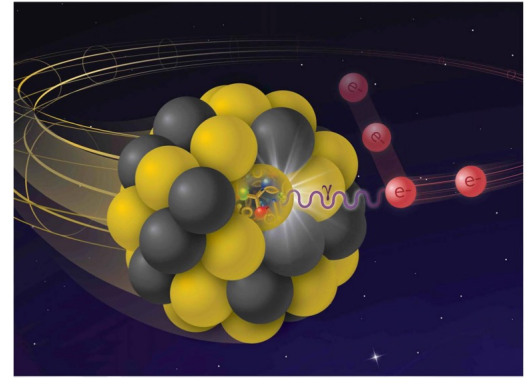
- ◆ Tungsten cones + borated polyethylene cladding.



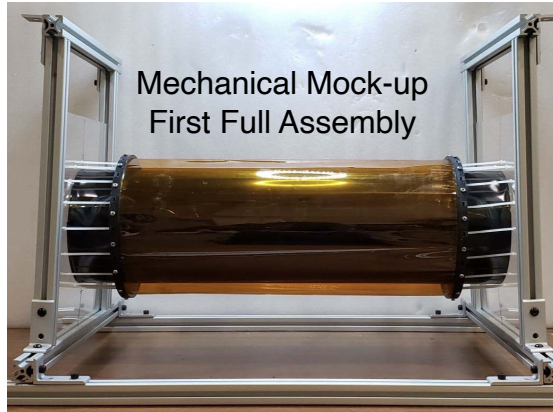
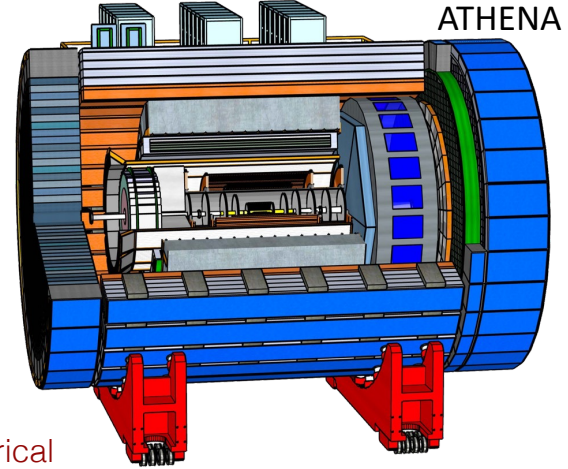
superconducting solenoid (3.57T)

- Very high energy muon momentum reconstruction in 10 TeV collisions remain challenging
- Future R&D directions: better timing and resolution: GEM, Micromegas, mRPC, PicoSec...

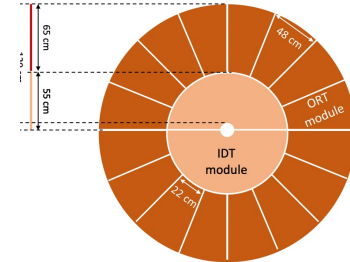
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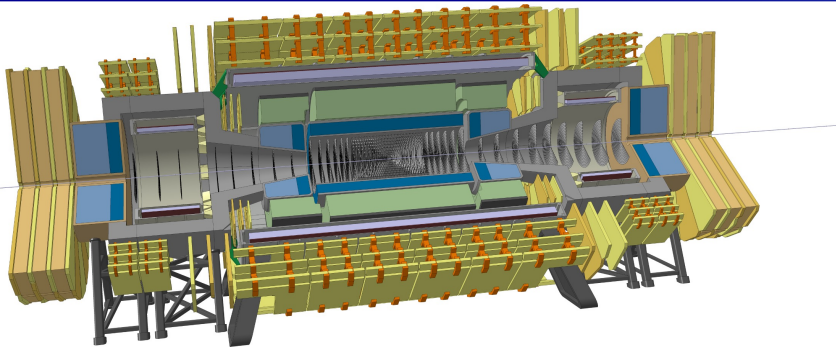
- 3 proto-collaborations: ATHENA, CORE, ECCE
  - ATHENA as example
- Hermetic detector, low mass inner tracking
- Moderate radiation hardness requirements
- Excellent PID ( $\pi/K/p$ )
  - forward: up to 50 GeV/c
  - central: up to 8 GeV/c
  - backward: up to 7 GeV/c



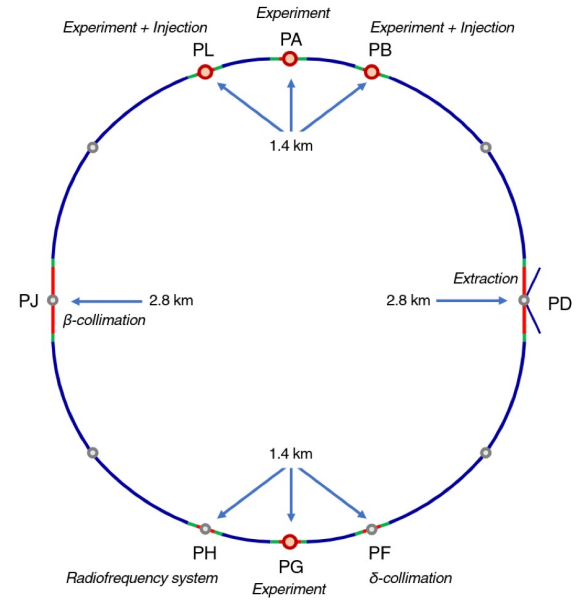
- Outer barrel tracker uses cylindrical Micromegas
- Endcap tracker uses planar u-RWELL
- Envision capacitive-sharing pad readout: Vertical stack of pads layers → reduce readout channels
- GEM or uRWELL proposed as forward tracker in CORE as well



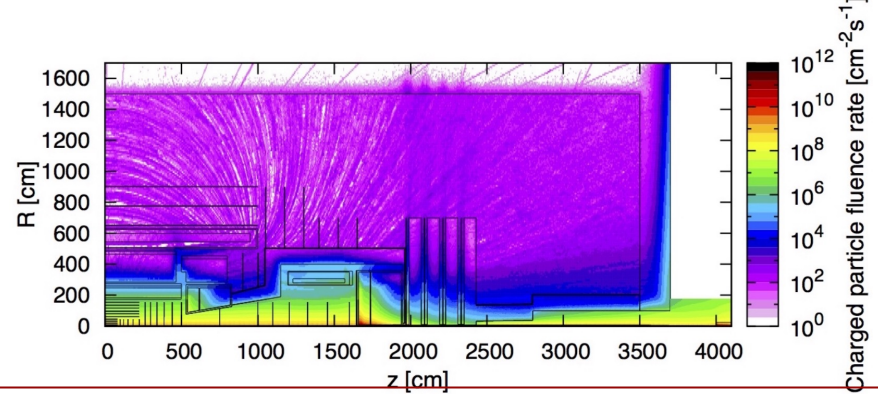
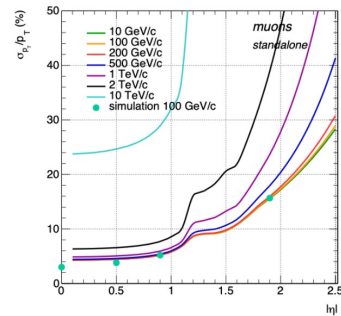
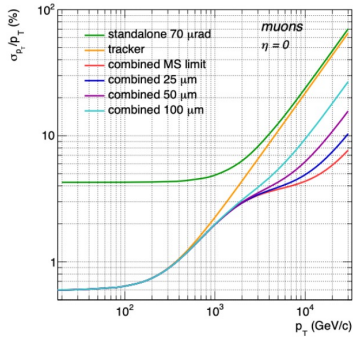
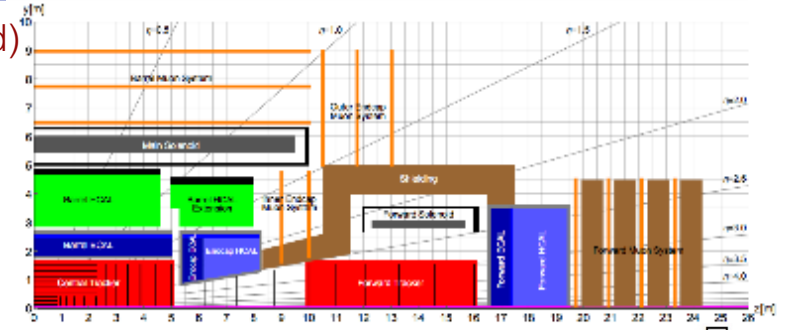
CORE EIC GEM prototype  
U-V strip readout



# FCC-hh



- Gaseous detectors in Muon systems (Barrel and forward)
- No standalone muon performance required  
→ Muon system providing Muon ID and trigger capability
- Requirement for combined muon momentum resolution: 10% for momenta of 20 TeV/c at  $\eta = 0$ .
- In forward muon system, standalone momentum measurement and triggering can only be achieved when using a forward dipole (like ALICE, LHCb)



- Gas detectors like the ones employed for HL-LHC are good candidates for the muon systems
- Different choices for Barrel&Outer EC and Inner EC
- Dedicated R&D needed to exploit recent trends in frontier gaseous detectors (sub-ns time res.,  $O(1)\text{MHz/cm}^2$  rate capability, longevity, eco-friendly gas etc.



(Selected) Recent trends and R&D on gaseous detectors

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# RPC

# Eco-friendly gas

- RPC technology continuously improved, aiming at more and more challenging applications
- In HEP, typically operated in avalanche mode with the standard gas mixture: CH<sub>2</sub>FCF<sub>3</sub> (> 90%)/ C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> / SF<sub>6</sub>
- Need to investigate more eco-friendly gas: environmental and cost reasons

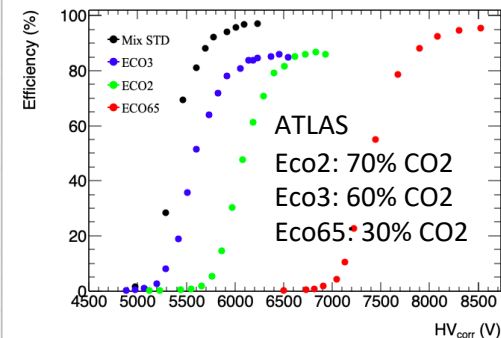
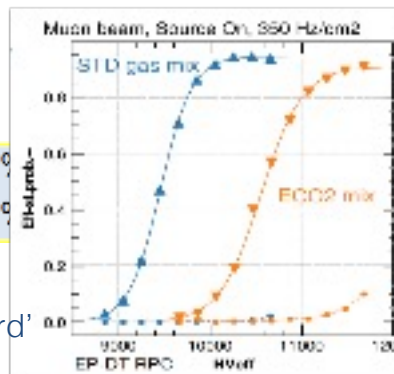
Gas	GWP* values 100-year time horizon
CO <sub>2</sub>	1
CH <sub>2</sub> FCF <sub>3</sub>	1300
SF <sub>6</sub>	23500

Tested several options. Promising results with:  
HFO+CO<sub>2</sub> replacing R134a (GWP reduced by 80%)

$$\text{ECO2} = \text{CO}_2 / \text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{F}_4 / \text{i-C}_4\text{H}_{10} / \text{SF}_6 = (60/35/4/1)\%$$

$$\text{ECO3} = \text{CO}_2 / \text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{F}_4 / \text{i-C}_4\text{H}_{10} / \text{SF}_6 = (69/25/5/1)\%$$

Search for optimal gas continuing in conjunction with development of new RPC for a new 'green and standard' mixture (larger CO<sub>2</sub> content under investigation too)



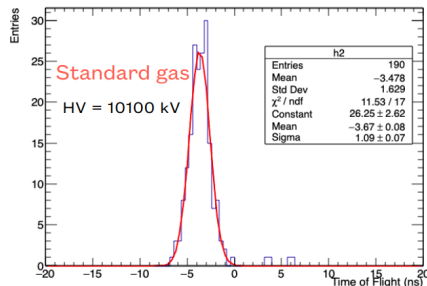
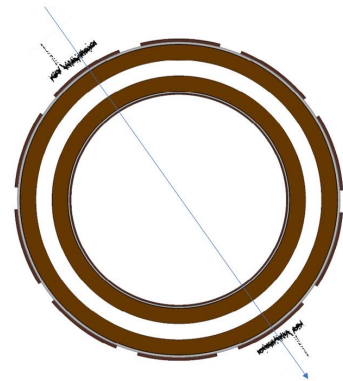
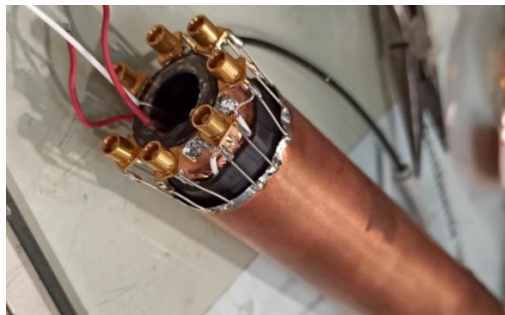
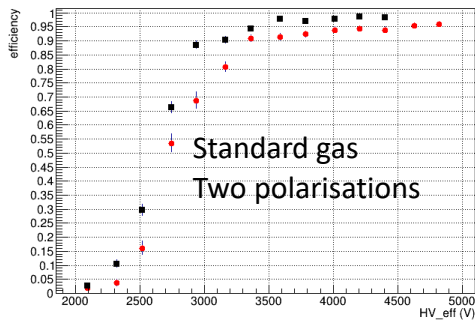
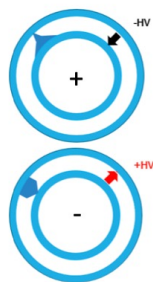
Similar performance but higher working point

System aspect also relevant to reduce impact (and for cost saving): recirculation and recuperation largely used in LHC experiment are becoming more and more efficient

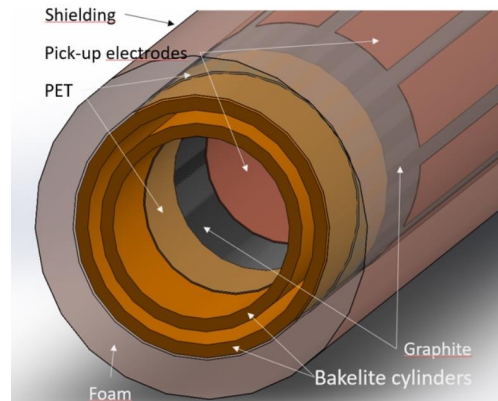
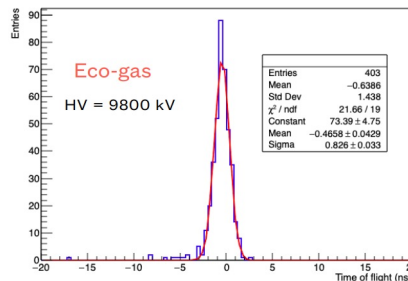
# Cylindrical RPC

- Resistive Cylindrical Channel (RCC)
- Simple construction and solid mechanics, allowing gas pressurization : Increase the gas target density → more primaries → light eco-friendly CO<sub>2</sub> based gas mixtures
- Double gap: Tracking capability Improvement in time resolution and efficiency

Gas-gap 1 mm



Test with  
pressurised gas



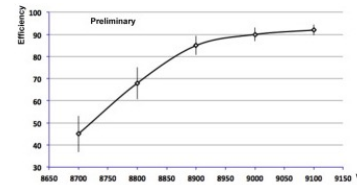
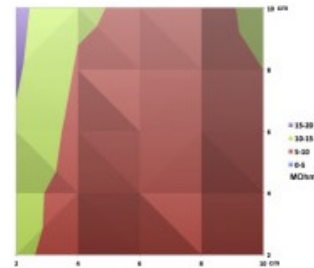
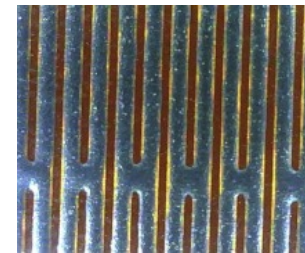
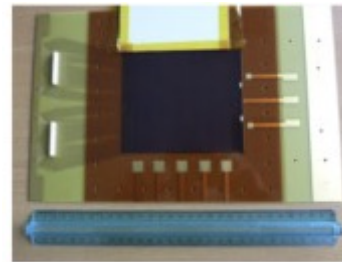
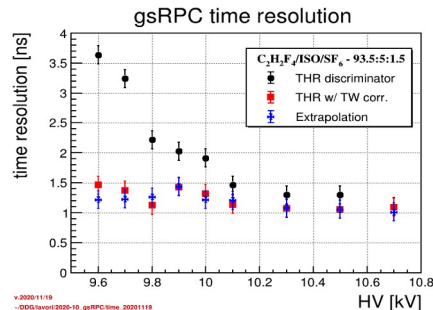
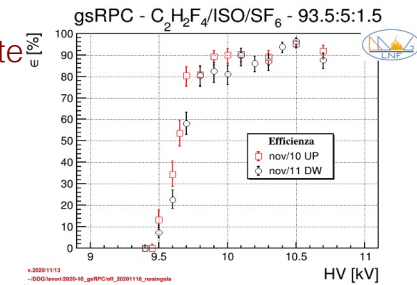
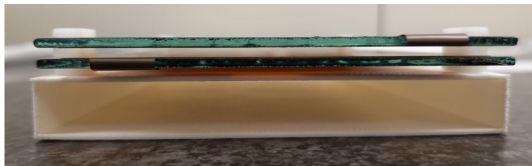
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# MPGD



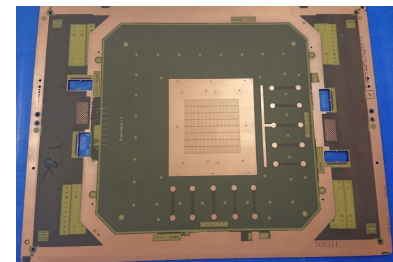
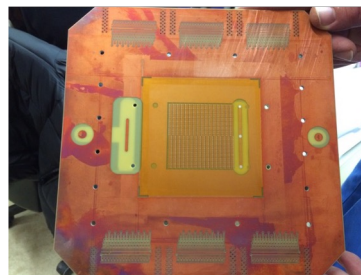
# MPGD as RPC

- The resistive coating of PCB allows to develop RPC-like structures for time resolution comparable to RPC (~ ns)
- Main difference with RPC: surface vs planar resistivity
  - Resistive pattern possible
  - Tuning of resistivity
- Some activities ongoing to explore the potential
- sRPC: surface RPC
  - Standard DLC on substrate
  - $\sigma_t = 1$  ns reached
- RSD: Resistive Strip Detector
  - First prototype with screen-printed resistive strips
  - Good resistivity uniformity reached
  - Promising performance



# Resistive MPGD for high rate: Small-PAD Micromegas

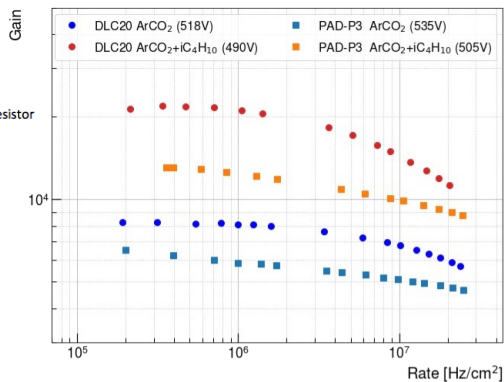
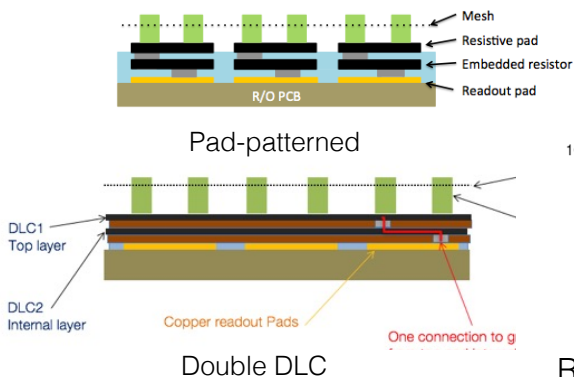
- High-rate stable operation ( $>10 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$ ) requires effective spark quenching mechanism  $\rightarrow$  resistive material
- But resistivity limits the max attainable rate  $\rightarrow$  charge evacuation path and voltage drop  $\rightarrow$  fast evacuation path
- Low occupancy is required too  $\rightarrow$  high granularity readout electrodes (pixel/pad readout; integrated electronics)



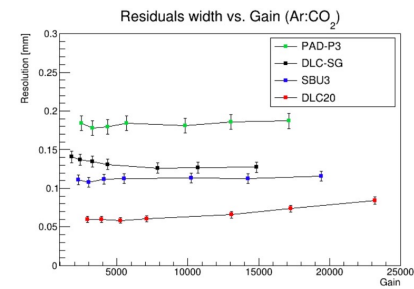
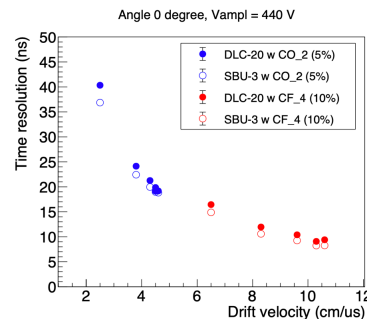
Prototype with integrated elx

Keep sufficient local surface resistivity to quench discharges with low resistance to ground

Several construction techniques



Rate capability  $\sim 5\text{-}10 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$   
at Gain  $\sim 2 \times 10^4$



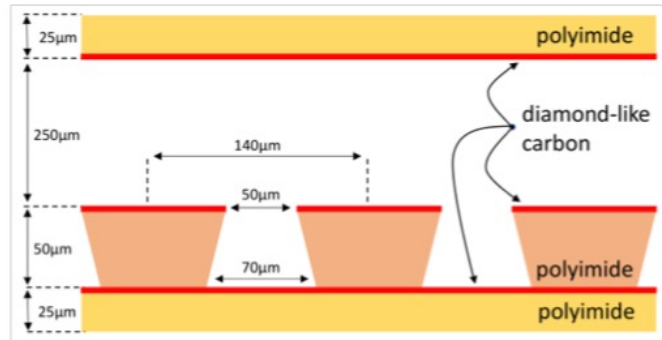
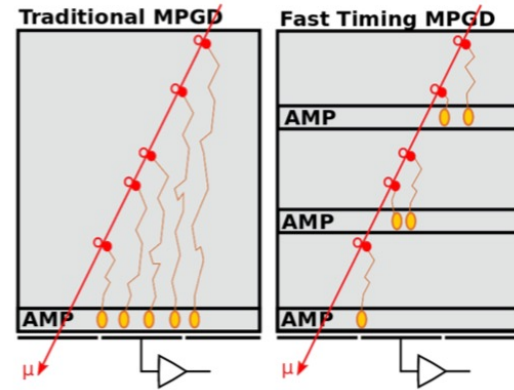
Few ns time resolution  $O(100\mu\text{m})$  space resolution  
with 1 mm pads (dependence on resistivity)

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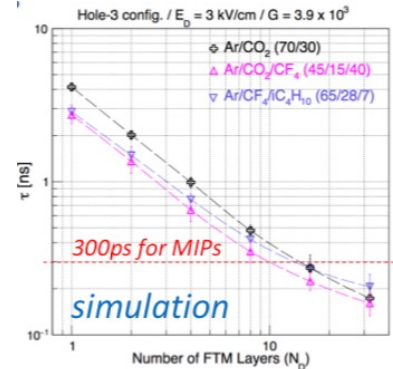
# Timing MPGD

# Fast Timing MPGD

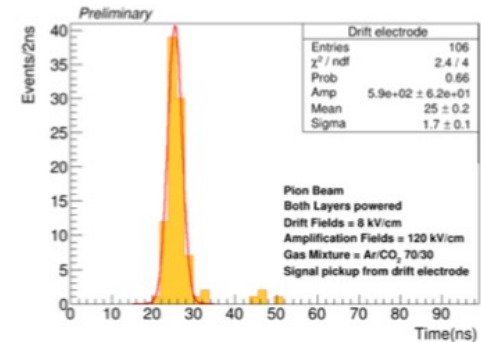
- Fast Timing MPGD (FTM): Principle, similar to mRPC
  - Divide drift in multiple layers, each with amplification stage
  - Resistive electrodes  $\rightarrow$  Electrode Transparency
  - Signal induced in External pick-up strips
  - Closest primary electron  $\rightarrow$  Fastest Signal
  - Time Resolution  $\sigma_t = 1/(\lambda \cdot v_{drift} \cdot N)$ , where  $N = \text{layers}$
  - Measured 2 ns with 2-layer detector



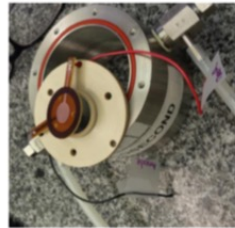
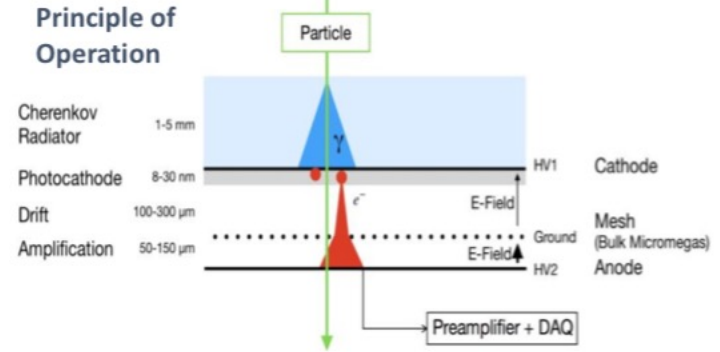
R&D to develop resistive GEM



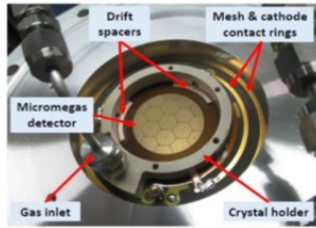
Test Beam Results (2 layers)



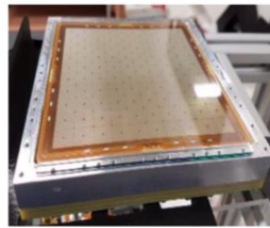
- Pushing MPGD to ps time resolution
- Operation principle:
  - (Cherenkov radiator + Photocathode) to get rid of intrinsic fluctuation in primary ionisation + Micromegas amplification and readout stage
- Nominal configuration:
  - Radiator: 3 mm  $MgF_2$  + 5.5 nm Cr substrate; Photocathode: 18 nm CsI
  - Bulk MicroMegas 200  $\mu m$  drift + 128  $\mu m$  amplification gap
  - Gas:  $Ne:C_2H_6:CF_4$  (80:10:10)  $\rightarrow$  gain of few  $10^5$ - $10^6$
- Other configurations tested:
  - Different bulk MM: Thin Mesh, Resistive, Floating Pads
  - Different Photo Cathodes: CsI, Cr, Al, DLC,  $B_4C$ , B, doped DLC



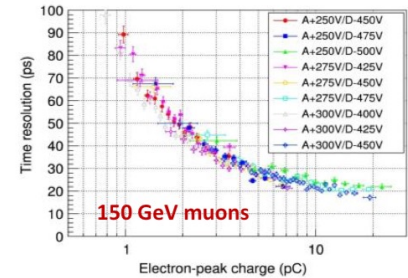
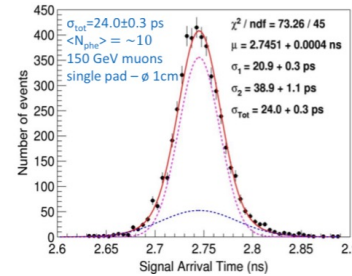
Single pad PICOSEC detector



Multi-pad PICOSEC: 19 hex pads  $\phi$  1cm



10x10 pad PICOSEC module with :



$\sigma_t = 24$  ps for 150 GeV muons ( $N_{pe} = 10$ )

First prototype with single small ( $\phi$  1cm) readout plane  
Larger prototypes built and tested

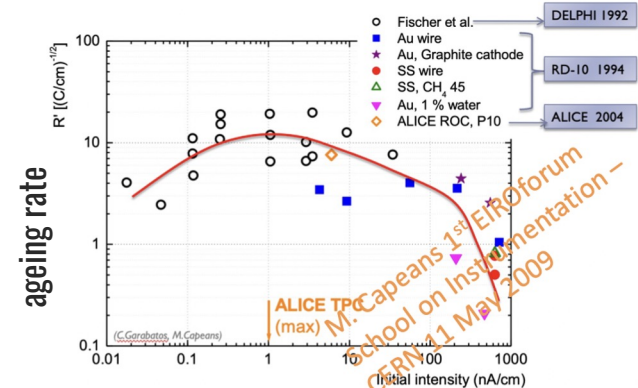
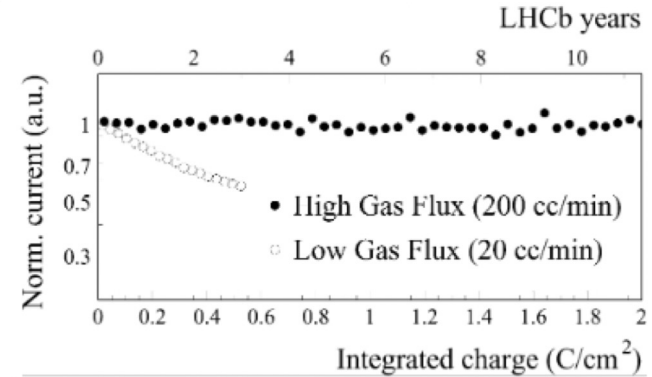
Photocathode optimisation studies ongoing  
DLC is rad hard and allowed to reach  $\sigma_t < 50$  ps



# Gaseous detector longevity

- Ageing phenomena in gaseous detectors can be the subject of a dedicated conference (was in the past; the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition will be this fall). Here only few hints

- Main source of classical ageing:
  - Degradation of material with integrated charge / time
  - Chemical effects of gas compounds
- Ageing is however a subtle phenomena, depending on many parameters (gas mixture, materials, operating conditions, rates...) and detector ageing must be studied for each specific application
- Example: relevance of controlling the operation parameters (e.g. gas flow) in GEM. LHCb test
- Ageing test must be long-term: acceleration might mitigate the aging effect (well known from wire chambers)



# Gaseous detector longevity

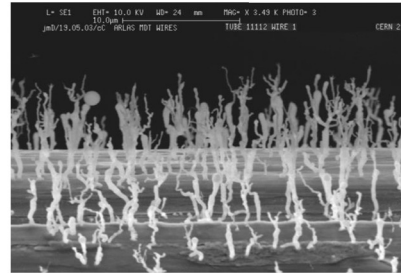
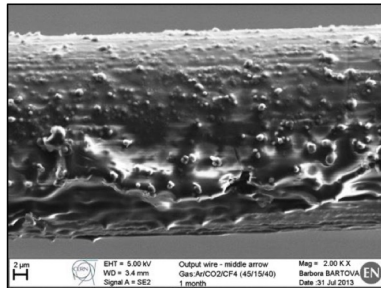
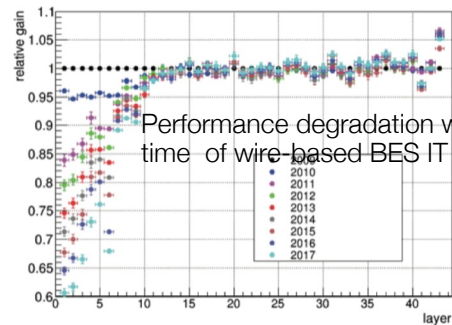
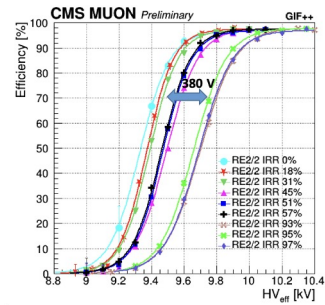
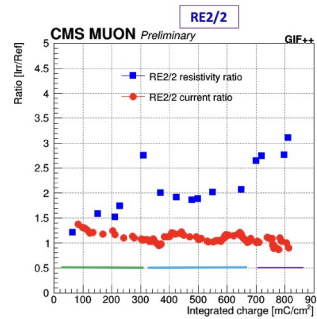
- Ageing behavior of traditional gaseous detectors (wire chambers, RPC) well known

- Bakelite RPC

- Surface degradation mainly due to F- radicals combining in HF → increase of dark current.  
Mitigation: reduce F-based gas components; increase gas flow
- Increase of bulk resistivity → increase in working point  
Mitigation → restore rH value. Effect can be fully controlled

- Wire chambers

- Deposits (whiskers) on the wire surface → distortion of pulse height spectra, gain loss, noise rate  
Mitigation: no hydrocarbons, no silicon material



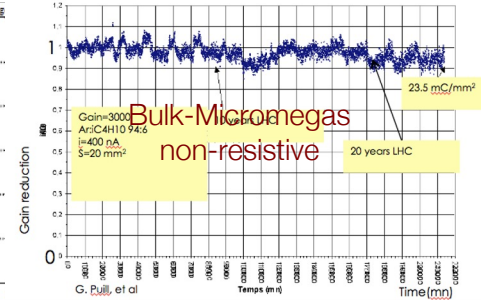
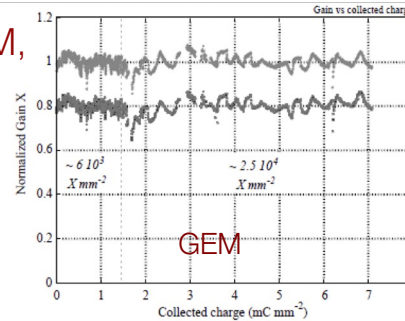
## 8. Conclusions on Gases

A. If we obtain regular purity gases, a basic conclusion of the workshop is that Noble gas + hydrocarbon mixture should be trusted for more than 10 years. The Noble gas + CO<sub>2</sub> mixture appears to behave about ten times better.

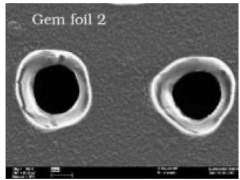
Typical aging phenomena on wire chambers

# Gaseous detector longevity

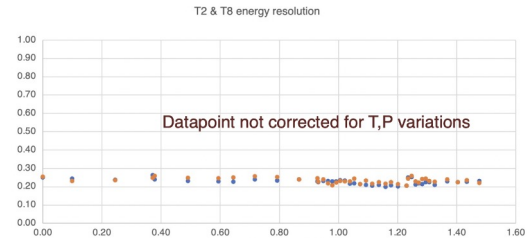
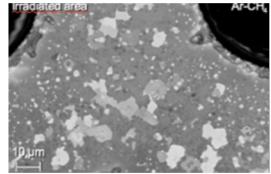
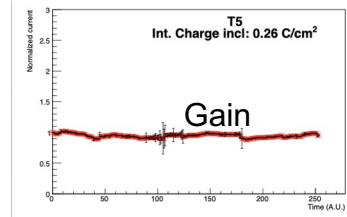
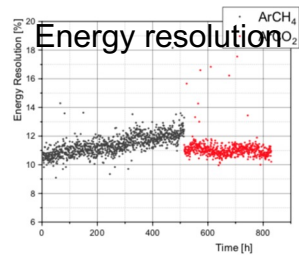
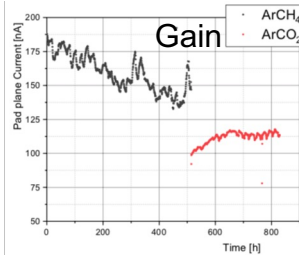
- MPGD better behavior compared with wire chambers
- Accelerated aging tests have been conducted on GEM, Micromegas and other MPGD with excellent results
- New materials (resistive coating) and challenging detector operations (high rates, large integrated charge) calls for dedicated studies
- Effects of hydrocarbons must be re-evaluated for the specific application



Resistive Micromegas (ATLAS-like): 3-years exposure at GIF++  
 Total collected charge  $\sim 0.3 \text{ C/cm}^2 \rightarrow$  No sign of aging in Ar:CO<sub>2</sub>



Etching effect on Triple-GEM operated with CF<sub>4</sub>-based mixture at low flow



Aging in ALICE GEM prototype operated with hydrocarbons (CH<sub>4</sub>) in Ar 95% mixture. Aging stops when CH<sub>4</sub> is replaced with CO<sub>2</sub>

Test with 2% of iC4H10. Results from accelerated test (up to  $>1 \text{ C/cm}^2$ ) and from long-term test at GIF++ : no aging observed

- Gaseous detectors are still playing a central role for detector systems in present and future experiments, in spite of their age!
  - Unreplaceable to equip large system like Muon detectors
  - Low material budget for central trackers
  - TPC
- Community very active in developing new structures and proposing new ideas
  - Wire chambers and tubes widely used
  - RPC moving to high rates and eco-friendly gas
  - MPGD explosion boosted by resistive material

**Gaseous detectors have a glorious past, a solid present and a brilliant future!**



Thank you!

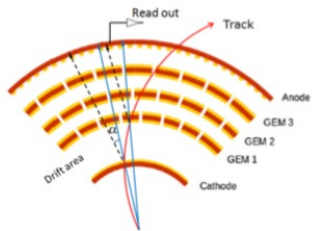


# Additional Material

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# Inner Tracker with MPGD

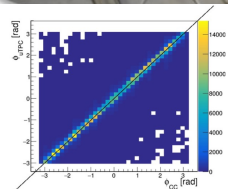
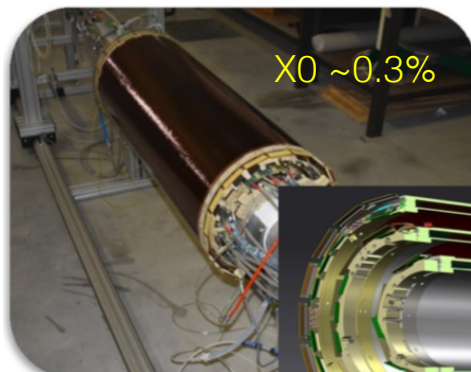
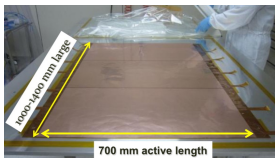
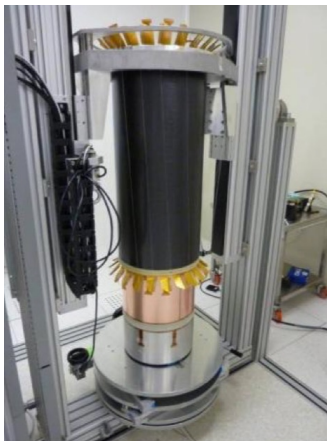
# GEM Inner tracker



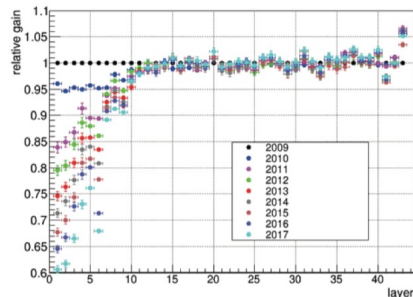
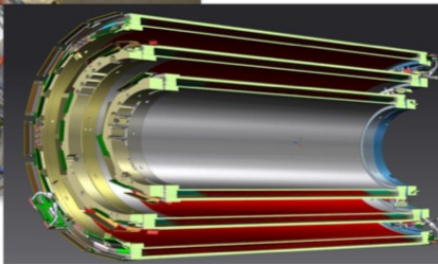
- MPGD suitable for Inner Tracker for their intrinsic light structure → low material budget
- IT exploit mechanical flexibility of MPGD → cylindrical shape

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- First development of cylindrical GEM
- Gas: Ar:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> (90:10)



First  $\mu$ TPC event (cosmic)



Performance degradation with time of wire-based BES IT (aging)

Table 1.1. List of requirements for the new inner tracker.

Value	Requirements
$\sigma_{xy}$	$\leq 130 \mu\text{m}$
$\sigma_z$	$\leq 1 \text{ mm}$
$d\eta/p$ for 1 GeV/c	0.5%
Material budget	$\leq 1.5\% X_0$
Angular Coverage	$93^\circ - 4\pi$
Hit Rate	$10^6 \text{ Hz/cm}^2$
Minimum Radius	65.5 mm
Maximum Radius	180.7 mm

GEM-based IT fulfill all the requirements of the experiment

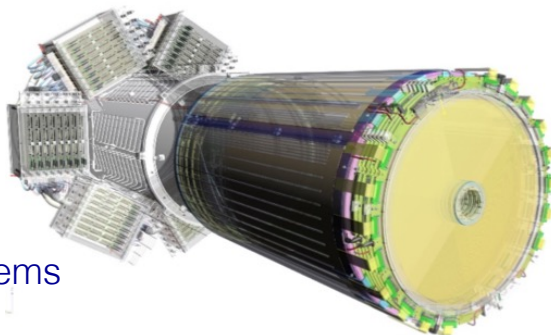
# Cylindrical Micromegas

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- Nuclear Physics/Hadron Spectroscopy/Deep Processes
- $B=5$  T magnet
- 11 GeV e- beam

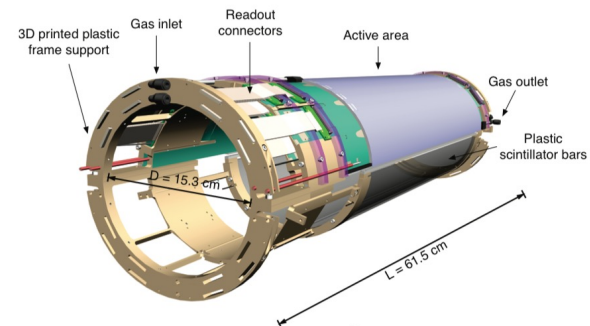
## Two Micromegas-based systems

- Barrel → cylindrical /  $A = 2.9$  m<sup>2</sup> / 18 units / Gas: Ar:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> (90:10)
- Forward → Planar /  $A = 0.6$  m<sup>2</sup> / 6 units / Gas: Ar:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>:CF<sub>4</sub> (80:10:10)
- 6 layers /  $X0 \sim 0.33$ /layer

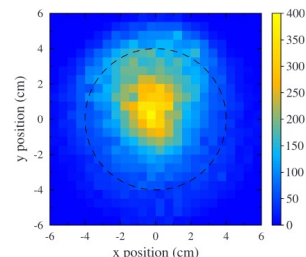


## ASACUSA @ CERN

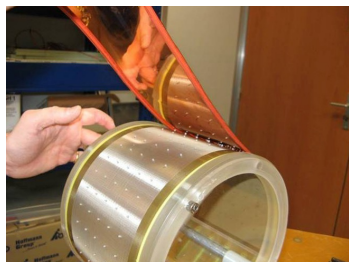
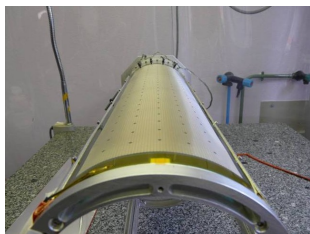
- Antimatter
- $B=3-4$  T magnet
- 2 Micromegas layers 413 mm long
- $r_1 = 78.5$  mm  $r_2 = 88.5$  mm
- Gas: Ar:iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> (90:10)



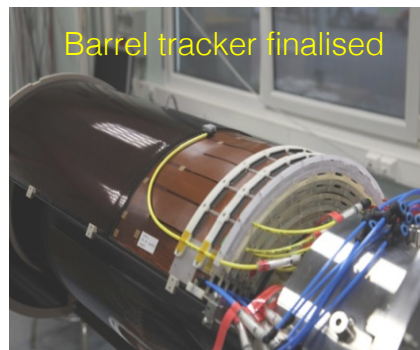
Antiproton annihilation event fully reconstructed with ASACUSA Micromegas



Curved MM bulk



Drift electrode integration



Barrel tracker finalised

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# RICH & photon detection with MPGD



# Thick GEM

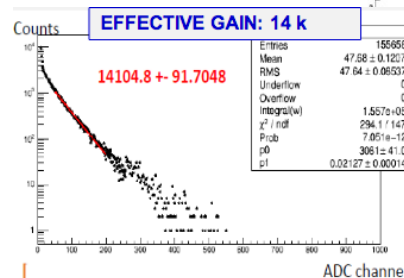
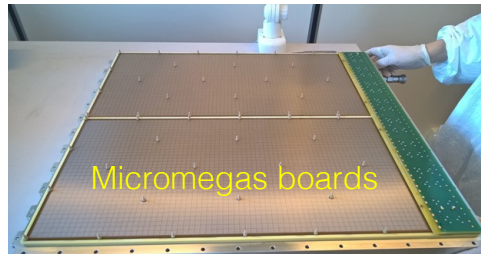
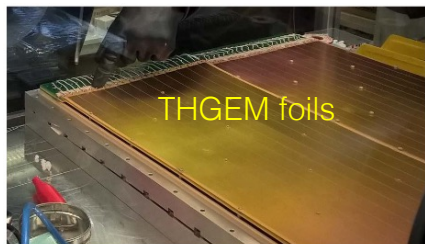
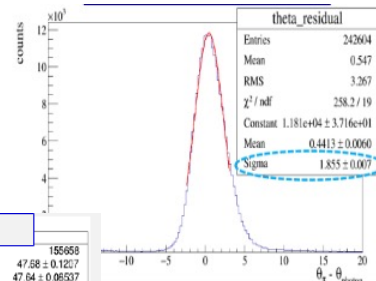
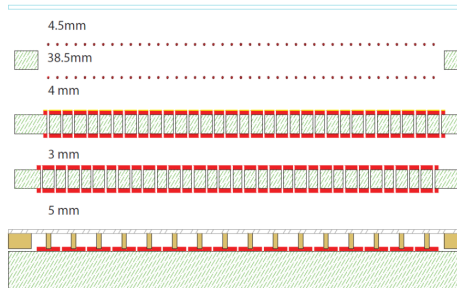
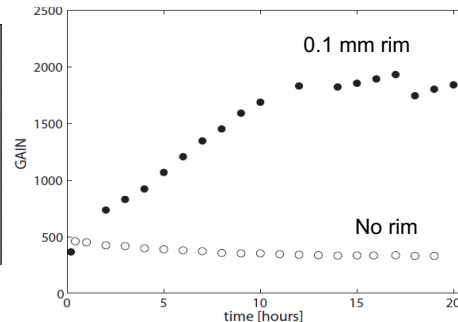
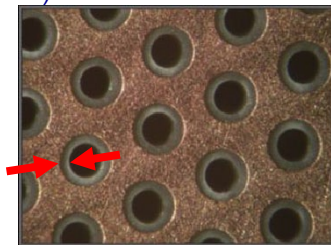
- THGEM: Same principle as GEM but with thick material (FR4)

- o PCB thickness ~ 0.4-3 mm
- o Hole – drilled - diameter ~ 0.2-1 mm
- o Pitch ~ 0.5-5 mm

- Industrial production for large size
- Mechanically self-supporting
- Robust

- Successfully used in COMPASS RICH-1 for single-photon detection

- o Hybrid configuration: THGEM+Micromegas;  $A = 1.4 \text{ m}^2$
- o eff. gain ~ 15000, gain stability ~5%
- o single  $\gamma$  angular res. 1.8 mrad
- o Gas: Ar:CH<sub>4</sub> 50:50 → optimal photoelectron extraction from CsI to gas
- o IBF = 3%

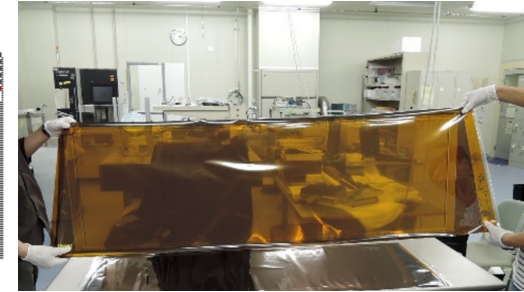
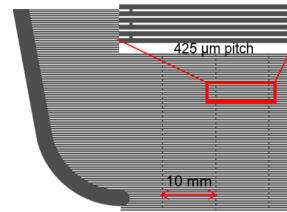


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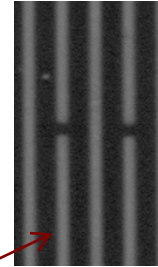
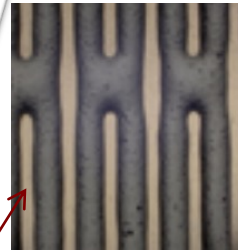
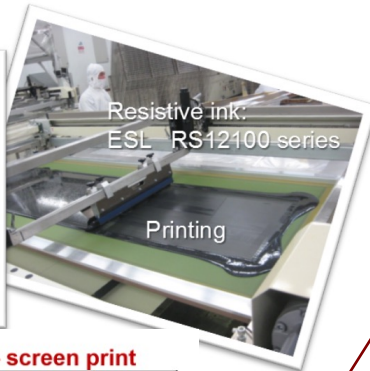
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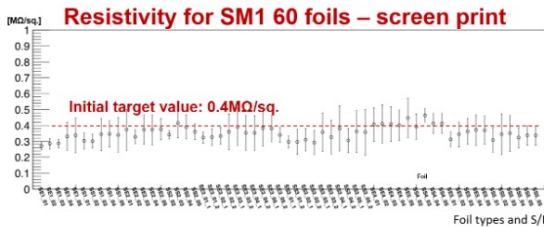
- The success of resistive Micromegas induced the development of many new resistive MPGD structures and the optimisation of the resistive coating
- During the R&D for ATLAS Micromegas to different coating techniques have been tested:



## 1. Screen-printing

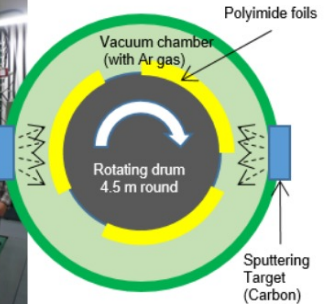
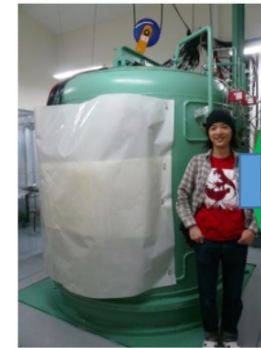


## 2. Carbon-dry sputtering (vacuum deposition) - DLC



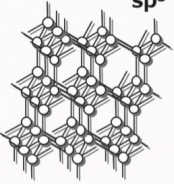
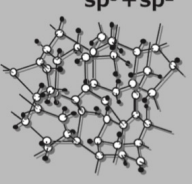
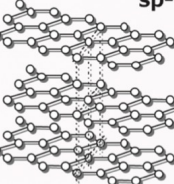
Printing: thick strips (~10-15 µm) slightly irregular edges  
 Sputtering: thin (~100 µm), regular shape

## Sputtering machine (JP)



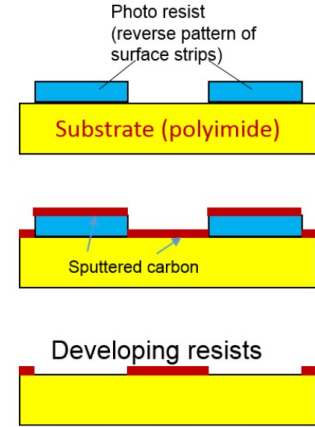
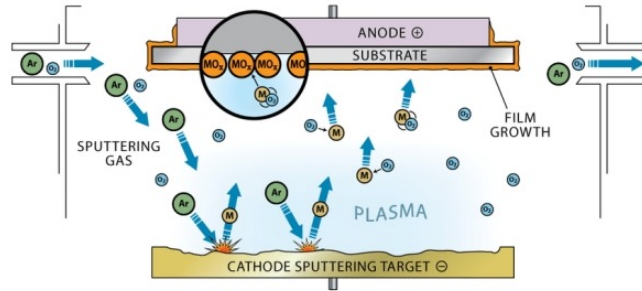
# Diamond Like Carbon (DLC)

- Sputtering techniques uses carbon in 'Diamond Like', amorphous structure → carbon particles of molecular sizes
- Fine structure with given resistivity attainable

Diamond	D L C (Diamond-like carbon )	Graphite
$sp^3$	$sp^3 + sp^2$	$sp^2$
		

Random mixture of  $sp^3$  (diamond) and  $sp^2$  (graphite) carbon creates conductive paths of molecular size

Schematization of sputtering technique  
 Exposure time →  
 Thickness of deposited film →  
 Final resistivity



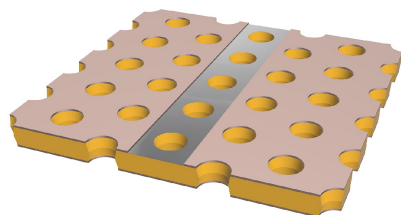
Carbon is sputtered uniformly on the substrate.  
 The lift-off method allows to create the desired pattern

- Diamond Like Carbon (DLC) coatings: stable and mechanically robust material
- Offers new possibilities to develop new detector structures

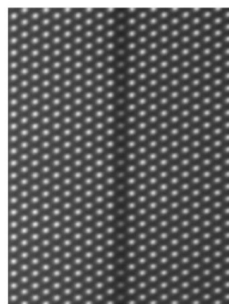
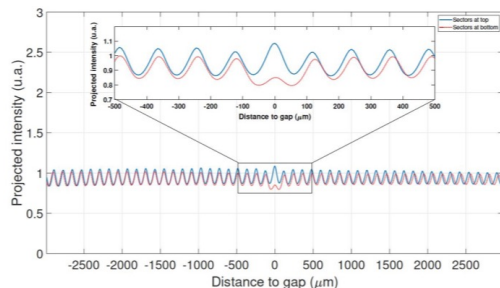
# DLC GEM and THGEM

- Resistive DLC is being applied to several GEM and GEM-like detectors for different goals

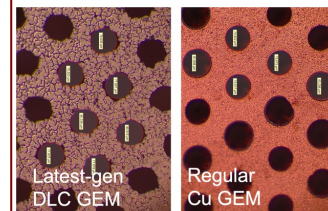
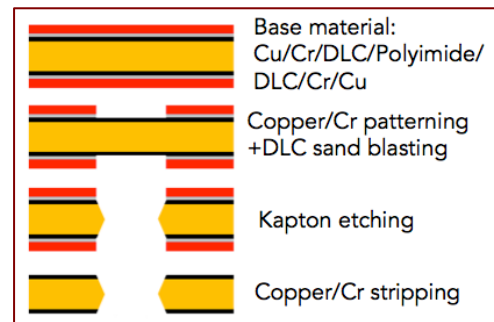
- Maximum surface of GEM foil is limited to  $\sim 100 \text{ cm}^2$  to limit discharge energy
- Foils are thus segmented ( $O(100 \mu\text{m})$  between sections) with the effect of a local field distortion and  $\sim\%$  efficiency loss



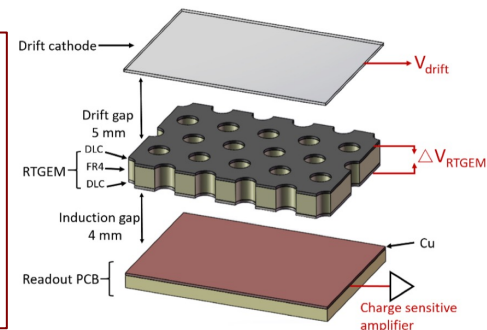
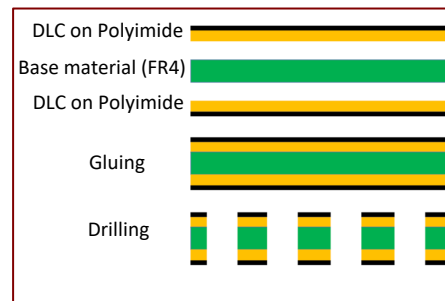
Promising results have been obtained with segmentation of GEM manufactured on DLC polymer foils



## Resistive GEM under development



## Resistive THGEM





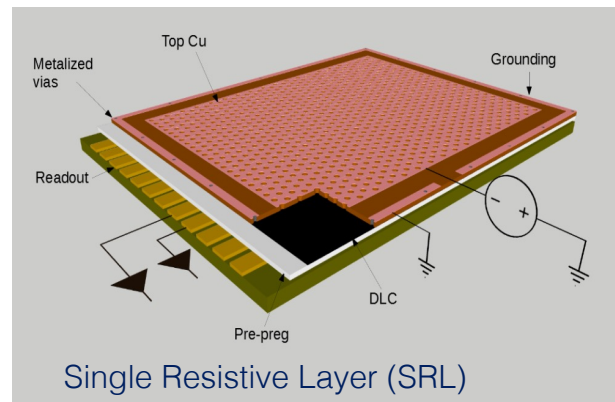
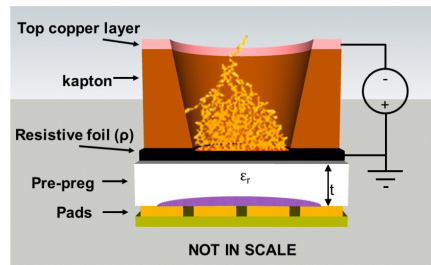
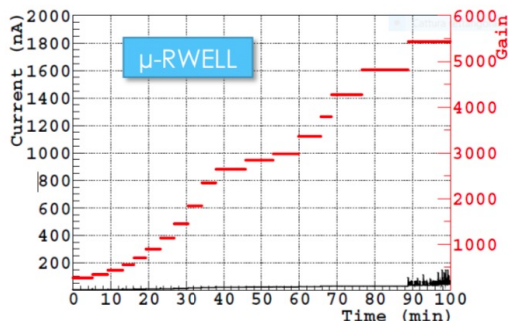
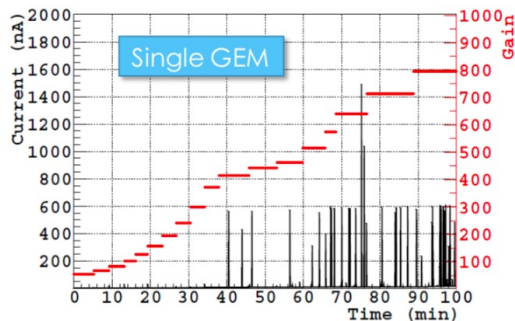
# $\mu$ -RWELL and $\mu$ -PIC

- $\mu$ -RWELL: full DLC-based detector with 3 elements:**
  - WELL patterned Kapton foil acting as amplification stage (GEM-like)
  - resistive DLC layer
  - standard readout PCB
- Single layer device with good stability

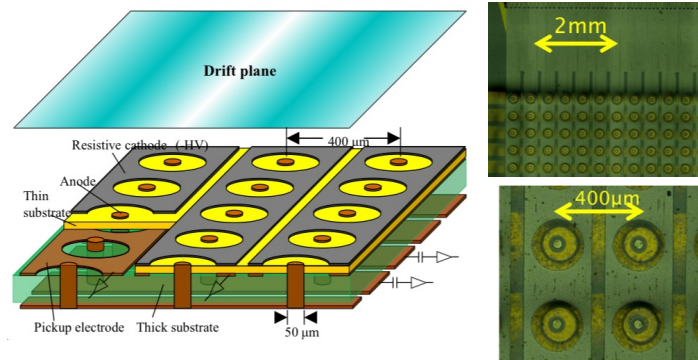
Comparison of single GEM and  $\mu$ RWELL

Single GEM: discharges of  $\sim 500$  nA @  $G \sim 1k$

$\mu$ RWELL: discharges of  $\sim 50$  nA @  $G \sim 5k$



$\mu$ -PIC: radial electric field. Now resistive variant



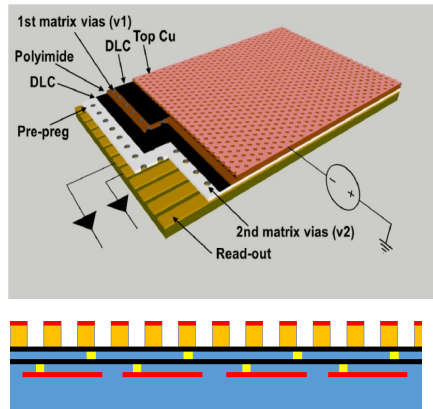
Limitation for large area: the signal amplitude depends on the particle incident point: electrons are evacuated on the side of the structure  
 $\rightarrow$  limited rate capability -  $O(10 \text{ kHz/cm}^2)$

# Resistive MPGD for high rate

- High-rate stable operation ( $> 10 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$ ) requires effective spark quenching mechanism  $\rightarrow$  resistive material
- But resistivity limits the max attainable rate  $\rightarrow$  charge evacuation path and voltage drop  $\rightarrow$  fast evacuation path
- Low occupancy is required too  $\rightarrow$  high granularity readout electrodes (pixel/pad readout; integrated electronics)

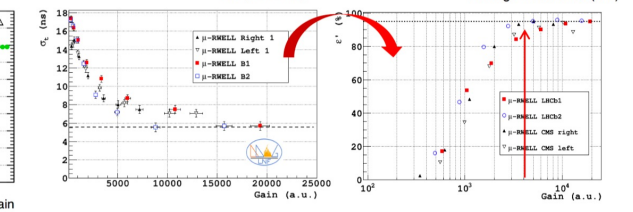
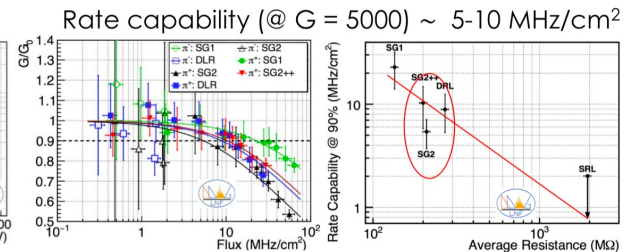
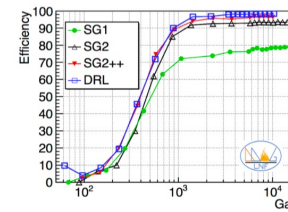
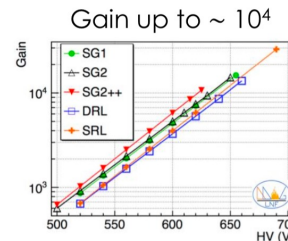
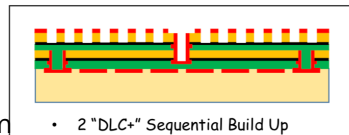
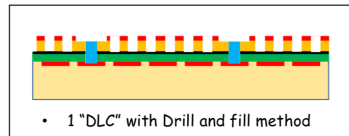
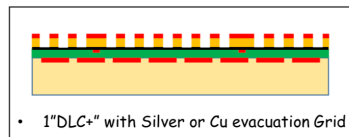
Keep sufficient local surface resistivity to quench discharges with low resistance to ground

## Double DLC $\mu$ RWELL: conductive vias every few mm



Concept of the Double DLC layer with conductive vias to ground every few mm

Several construction techniques under study



$\sigma_t \sim 5\text{-}6 \text{ ns}$

Efficiency in 25 ns

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# Optical Readout

# Optical readout

- During the multiplication process, photons are produced along with e<sup>-</sup> → light can be detected instead of (or together with) an electric signal
- Take advantage of the state-of-the-art imaging sensors and readout ASICs
- Image immediately available, no need for reconstruction
- Three declinations:
  - Pure optical readout with imaging sensors
  - Hybrid readout (optical+electronic)
  - Pixellated readout with ASICs

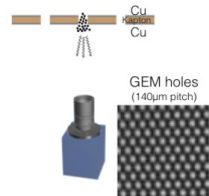


Different MPGD technologies have been used with optical readout for maximising spatial resolution  
 Integration on transparent substrate (coated glass) for optical light transmission  
 High gain (light yield) amplification matched with pixel size of imaging sensor

### Micromegas on Timepix ASIC

- Bump-bond pads used for charge collection
- CMOS-ASIC designed by the Medipix collaboration
- GridPix based on Timepix 3:
  - 256 × 256 pixels with 55 × 55 μm<sup>2</sup> per pixel
  - Charge (ToT) and time (ToA) information with 1.5ns time resolution

**GEMs**  
Open structure inherently suited for optical readout  
High gain in multi-GEM stacks

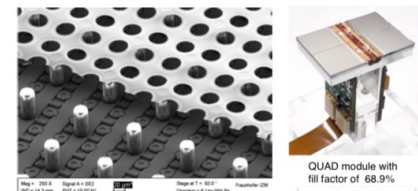
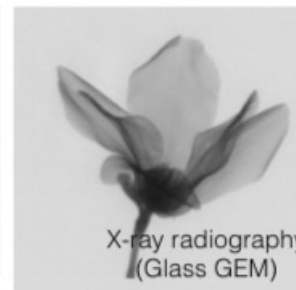
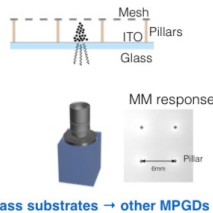


**THGEMs**  
Long amplification region for e.g. low pressure operation  
Variants: GlassGEM, MM, THGEM, ...



### Glass Micromegas

High single stage gain, uniform amplification region and high energy resolution

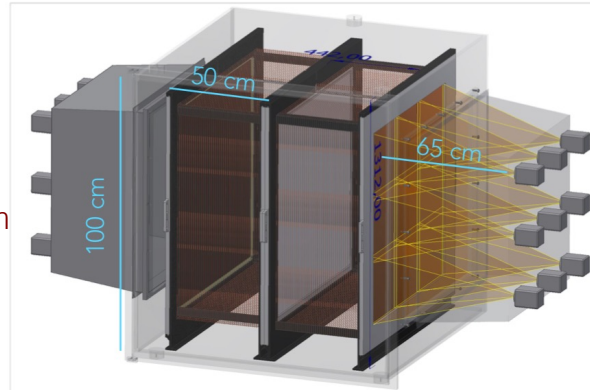


GridPix

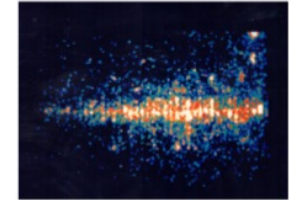
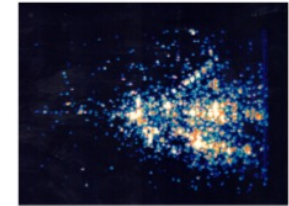
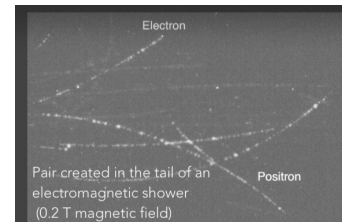
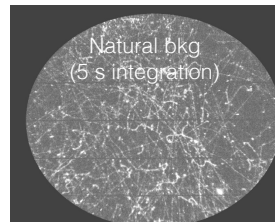
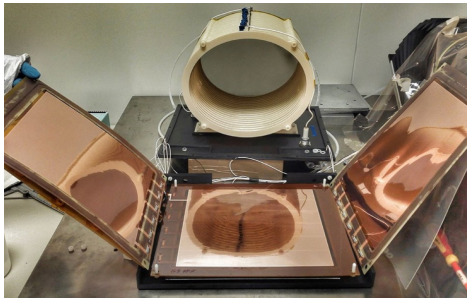
- Optically readout TPC have a long history
- Modern imaging techniques allow to exploit OTPC
- Detailed 2D projection → auxiliary timing for 3D reconstruction is needed
- Proposed in several experiments, particularly suited for DM searches

- The CYGNO Experiment

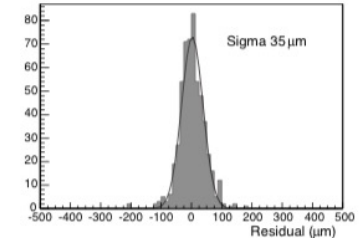
- Volume 1 m<sup>3</sup>
- Gas: He:CF<sub>4</sub> (60:40) at P atm
- 3x3 Triple-GEM readout by a CMOS sensor from a transparent windows and a fast light detector (PMT or SiPM)
- Total of 72x10<sup>6</sup> readout 165x165 μm<sup>2</sup> pixels



First prototype (LEMO<sub>n</sub>, 7l volume) successfully tested



Fonte P., Breskin A., Charpak G., Dominik W. & Sauli F. (1989) NIM A. 283, 3, p. 658-664.



Space resolution (x-y) 35 μm  
Energy resolution 18%

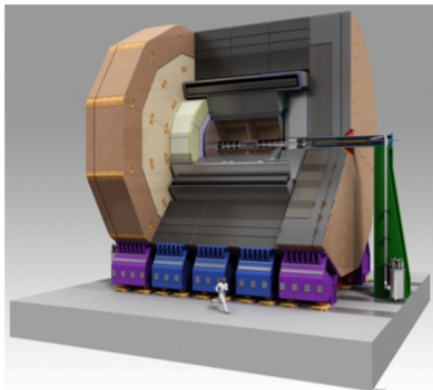


# MPGD for future experiments

- MPDG are proposed for large future experiments.
- Here a shirt list for FCC and Muon collider

Experiment / Timescale	Application Domain	Gas Detector Technology	Total detector size / Single module size	Operation Characteristics / Performance	Special Requirement
FCC-ee and/or CEPC IDEA PRESHOWER DETECTOR START: >2030	Lepton Collider Tracking	$\mu$ -RWELL	Total area: 225 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit detect: (0.5x0.5 m <sup>2</sup> ) ~0.25 m <sup>2</sup>	Max. rate: 10 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~60-80 $\mu$ m Time res.: 5-7 ns Rad. Hard.: <100 mC/cm <sup>2</sup>	
FCC-ee and/or CEPC IDEA MUON SYSTEM START: >2030	Lepton Collider Tracking/Triggering	$\mu$ -RWELL RPC	Total area: 3000 m <sup>2</sup> Single unit detect: ~0.25 m <sup>2</sup>	Max. rate: <1 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~150 $\mu$ m Time res.: 5-7 ns Rad. Hard.: <10 mC/cm <sup>2</sup>	
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MUON COLLIDER MUON SYSTEM START: > 2050	Muon Collider	RPC or new generation fast Timing MPGD	Total area: ~ 3500m <sup>2</sup> Single unit detect: 0.3- 0.4m <sup>2</sup>	Max.rate: <100 kHz/cm <sup>2</sup> Spatial res.: ~100 $\mu$ m Time res.: <10 ns Rad. Hard.: < C/cm <sup>2</sup>	Redundant tracking and triggering

## TPC for ILC



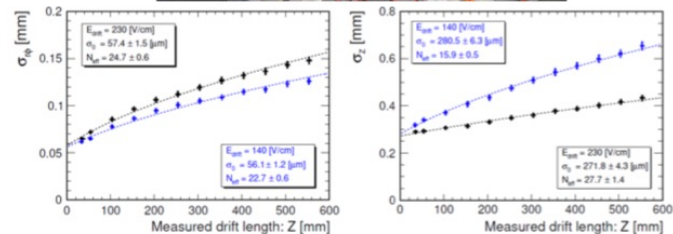
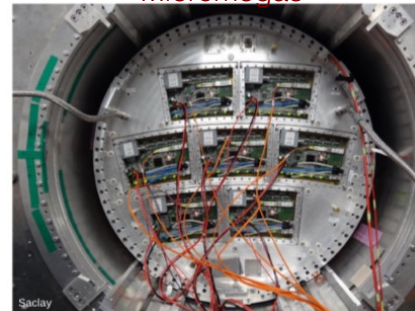
Parameter	$r_{in}$	$r_{out}$	$z$
Geometrical parameters	329 mm	1808 mm	$\pm 2350$ mm
Solid angle coverage	up to $\cos\theta \approx 0.98$ (10 pad rows)		
TPC material budget	$\approx 0.05 X_0$ including outer fieldcage in $r$		
	$< 0.25 X_0$ for readout endcaps in $z$		
Number of pads/timebuckets	$\approx 1-2 \times 10^6/1000$ per endcap		
Pad pitch/ no.padrows	$\approx 1 \times 6 \text{ mm}^2$ for 220 padrows		
$\sigma_{point}$ in $r\phi$	$\approx 60 \mu\text{m}$ for zero drift, $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ overall		
$\sigma_{point}$ in $r_z$	$\approx 0.4 - 1.4$ mm (for zero - full drift)		
2-hit resolution in $r\phi$	$\approx 2$ mm		
2-hit resolution in $r_z$	$\approx 6$ mm		
dE/dx resolution	$\approx 5 \%$		
Momentum resolution at B=3.5 T	$\delta(1/p_T) \approx 10^{-4}/\text{GeV}/c$ (TPC only)		

In addition: very high efficiency for particle of more than 1 GeV.

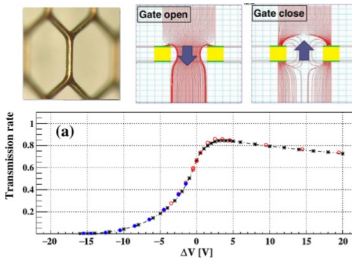
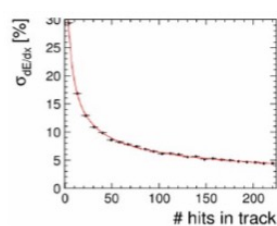
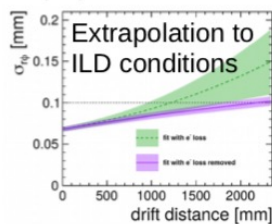
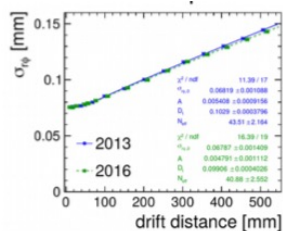
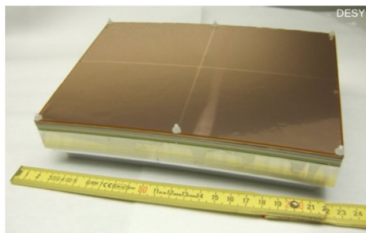
These requirements can not be fulfilled by conventional wire-based read out. New Micropattern-based readouts have to be applied

## Several options under study: GEM, Micromegas, GridPix

### Micromegas

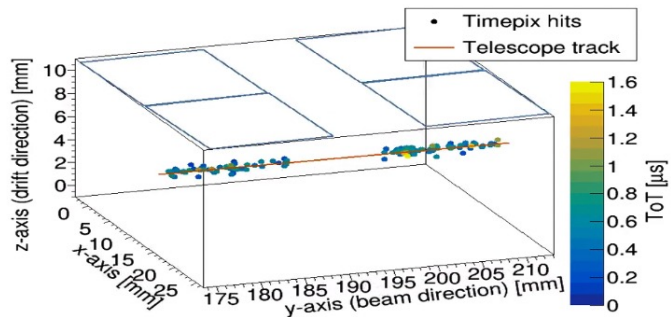
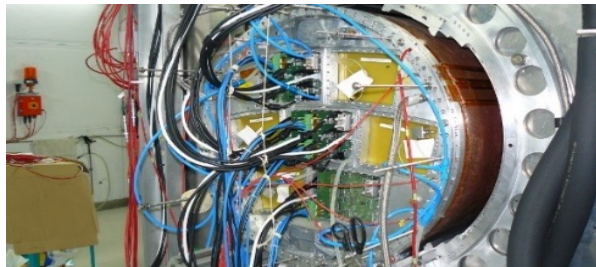
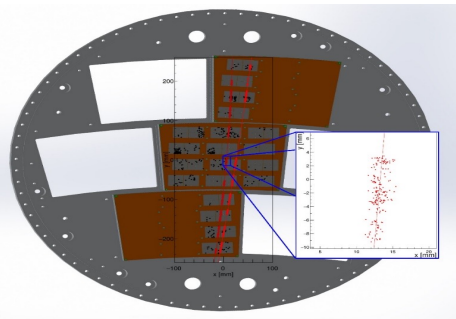
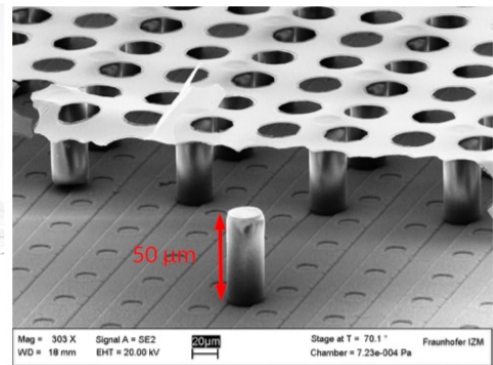
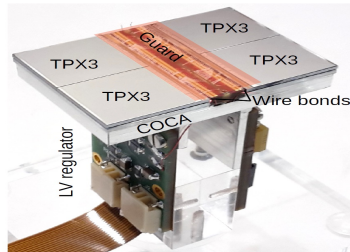


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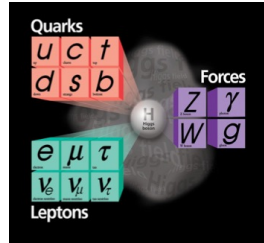
# MPGD for future experiments: TPC for ILC

- Gridpix option → first large application
  - Bump bond pads are used as charge collection pads
- Offers:
  - Lower occupancy → easier track reco
  - Improved dE/dx (4% seems possible)
- Needs:
  - ~120 chips/module on 240 modules/endcap (10m<sup>2</sup>) → ~60k GridPixels
- Demonstrator of mass production:
  - One module equipped with 160 GridPix (320 cm<sup>2</sup>)
  - Very promising results: a GridPix-based TPC possible!

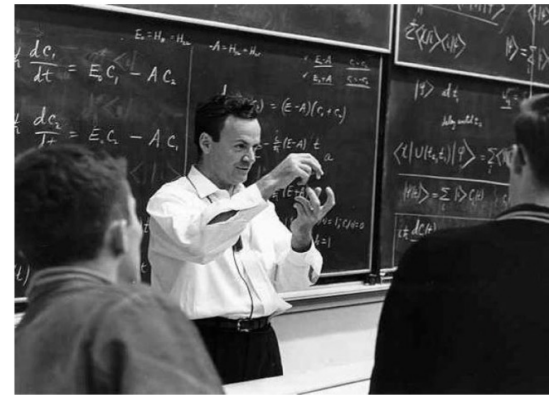


MPGD proposed for calorimetry at ILC too

- Higgs boson is turning 11 and we're desperately looking for something else...



- ...experiments at future colliders can do the job!



G. Isidori, ECTA meeting July 2022

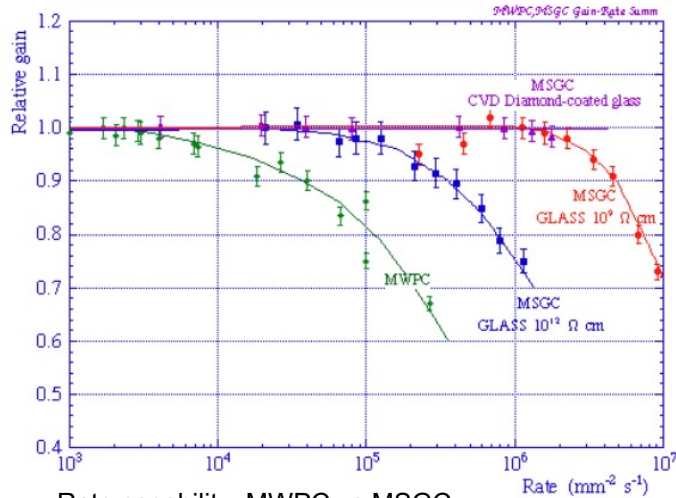
"It doesn't matter how beautiful your theory is, it doesn't matter how smart you are. If it doesn't agree with experiment, it's wrong."

[Feynman]

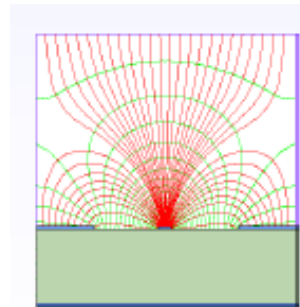
# MPGD: increasing the rate capability

- Separation between ionization and amplification regions
- Short ( $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$ ) ions drift path  $\rightarrow$  fast ions collection
- $\rightarrow$  Higher rate capability
- $\rightarrow$  Granularity, fine space resolution

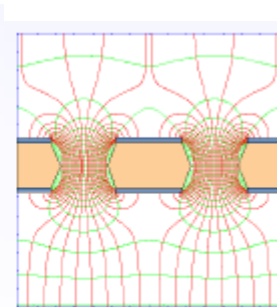
Construction based on printed circuit board production (photolithography, etching)



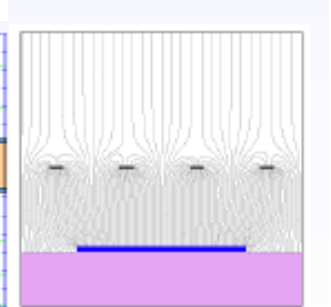
Rate capability: MWPC vs MSGC



MSGC  
A. Oed (1988)



GEM  
F Sauli (1997)

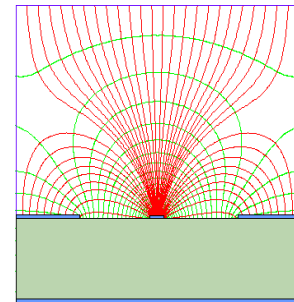


Micromegas  
I. Giomataris,  
G. Charpak (1997)

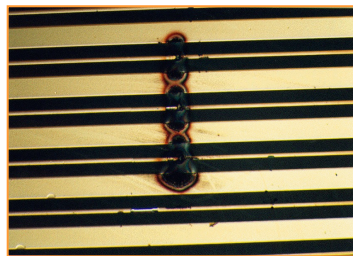
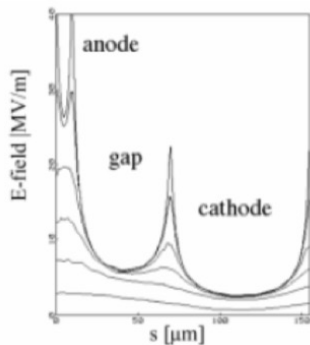


# The first challenge: disruptive discharges

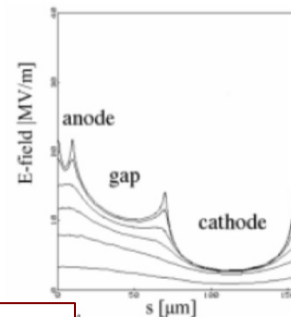
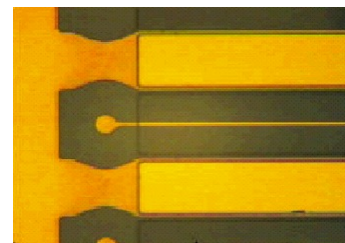
- Even in device of good quality, when the avalanche reaches a critical value  $\sim 10^7 e^-$  (Raether limit) a breakdown appear in the gas, often referred as 'spark'  
→ limit on max gain for stable operation



- Example: Gain  $\sim 10^4$ ; Ionisation gap  $\sim 1$  cm  
Avalanche size  $Q = \# \text{ of } e^- \text{ primaries} \times \text{Gain}$ 
  - MIP:  $Q = 10^2 \times 10^4 = 10^6 \rightarrow \text{OK}$
  - p of  $\sim \text{MeV}$ :  $Q = 10^4 \times 10^4 = 10^8 \rightarrow \text{discharge}$
  - Field emission from cathode strip:  $Q = 10^4 \times 10^4 = 10^8 \rightarrow \text{discharge}$



Passivation of the cathode edges (1999/2000)  
→ MSGC operational

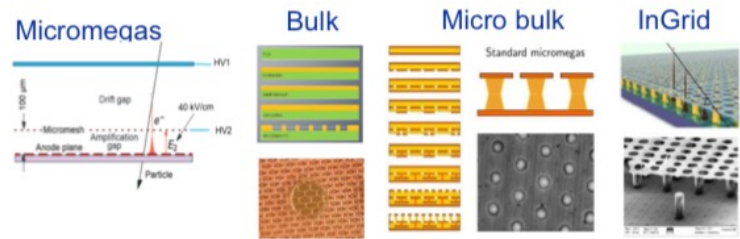


Other spark protection/reduction mechanisms adopted in other MPGD → more on that later



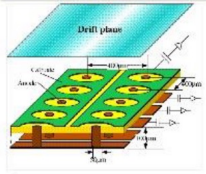
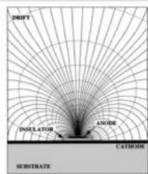
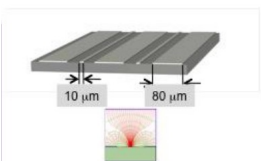
# The MPGD 'explosion'

- Since the invention of the MSGC the gas detector community has introduced many other MPGD: some very promising, some somewhat less...



## The MPGD Zoo of the 90s

**Microstrip Gas Chamber** [A. Oed, NIM A263, 351 (1988)]  
**Microgap Chamber (MGC)** [F. Angelini et al., NIM A335, 69 (1993)]  
**Microdot Chamber** [S.F. Biagi et al., NIM A361, 72 (1995)]

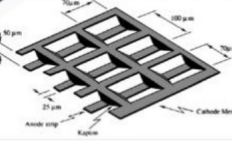
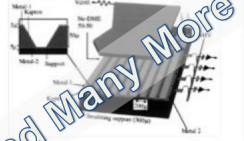


**Compteur à Trous (CAT)** [F. Bartol et al., J. Phys. III 6, 337 (1996)]

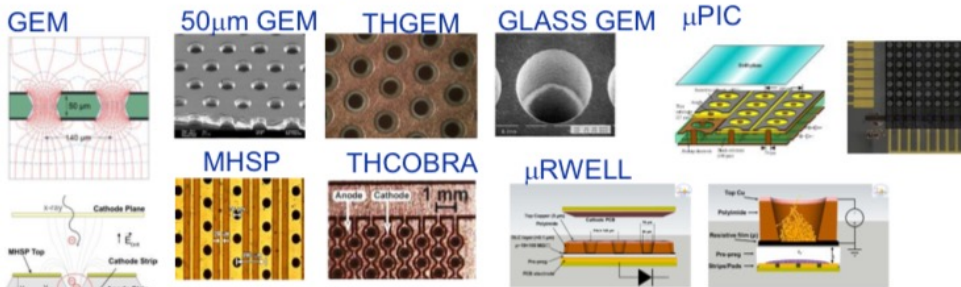
**Micro Groove Counter** [Bellazzini et al., NIM A424, 444 (1999)]

**Micro Wire Detector** [Bellazzini et al., NIM A435, 402 (1999)]

**WELL Detector (μCAT)** [R. Bellazzini et al., NIM A423, 125 (1999)]



And Many More  
 Annual Review of Science 1999  
 A. Sharma (1999)

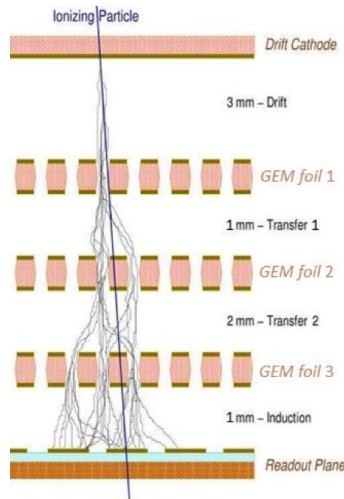
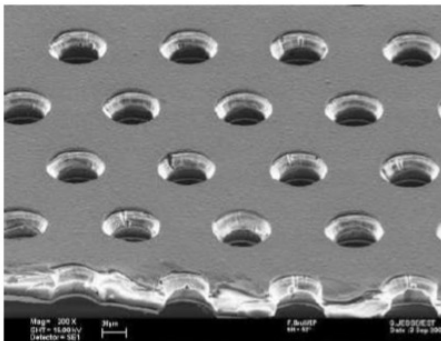
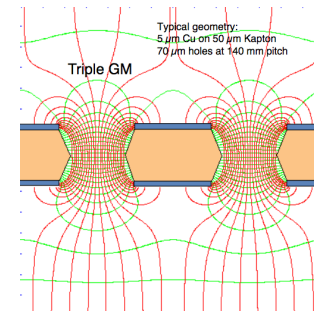
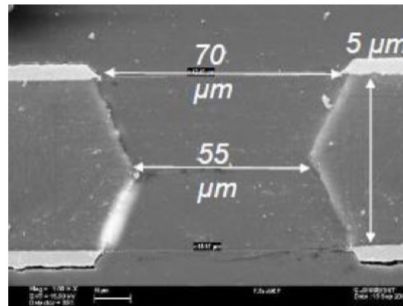


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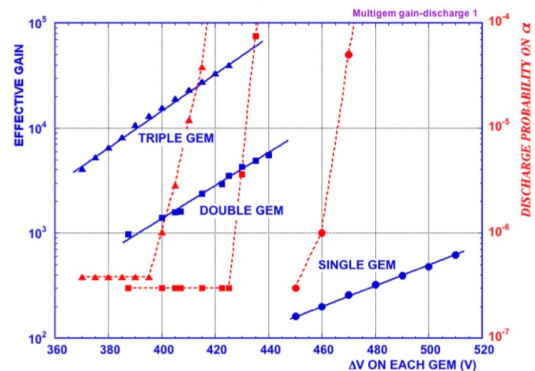
MPGD CONFERENCES (Crete, Kobe, Zaragoza, Trieste, Philadelphia, La Rochelle, next ones: Weizmann, USTC)

- Today the MPGD family includes a large number of detectors
  - Well established technologies adopted in HEP experiments
  - New ideas, R&D for future experiments or specific applications

- **GEM**
- Thin ( $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$ ) metal-clad polymer foil chemically perforated with high density of holes ( $\sim 100/\text{mm}^2$ )
- Pre-amplification and charge transfer preserving the ionisation pattern



DISCHARGE PROBABILITY ON EXPOSURE TO 5 MeV  $\alpha$  (from internal  $^{220}\text{Rn}$  gas)

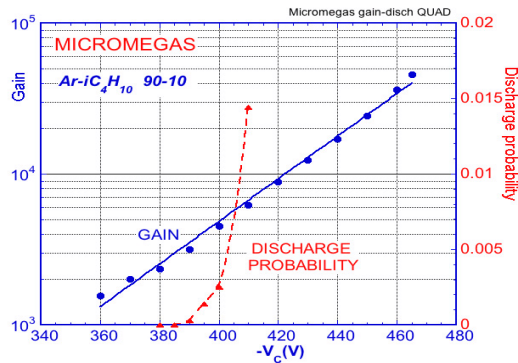
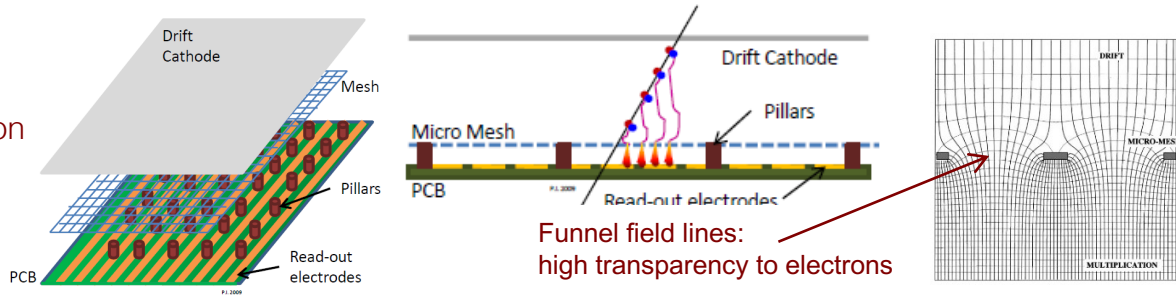


S. Bachmann et al, NIMA 479(2002)294

- GEM foils in cascade  $\rightarrow$  high gain before discharges
- Multi-stage  $\rightarrow$  triple GEM

# MICRO MESH Gas Structure

- Parallel-plate with small ( $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$ ) amplification gap
- Thin metallic mesh separating the ionisation and amplification regions
- Rate capability and energy resolution of parallel plates



- The introduction of a resistive protection (R&D for ATLAS) permits to largely suppress the discharge intensity  $\rightarrow$  spark-immune Micromegas
- Opened the road to the development of resistive MPG

- Standard (non-resistive) Micromegas successfully used in HEP experiments
- Still with non-negligible discharge rate

