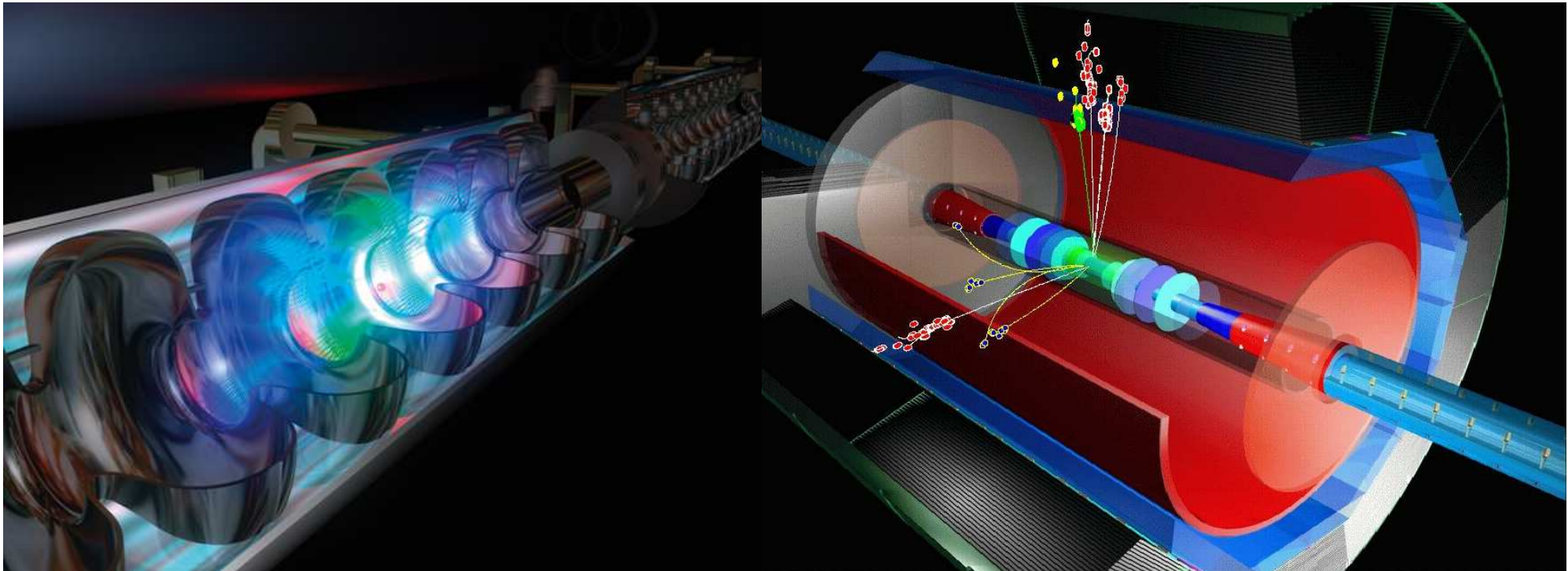


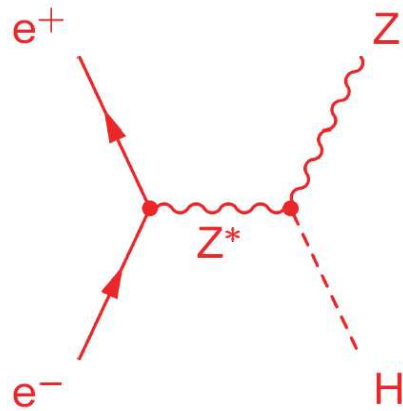
# The GEM-TPC for the ILC

Stefan Roth, RWTH Aachen



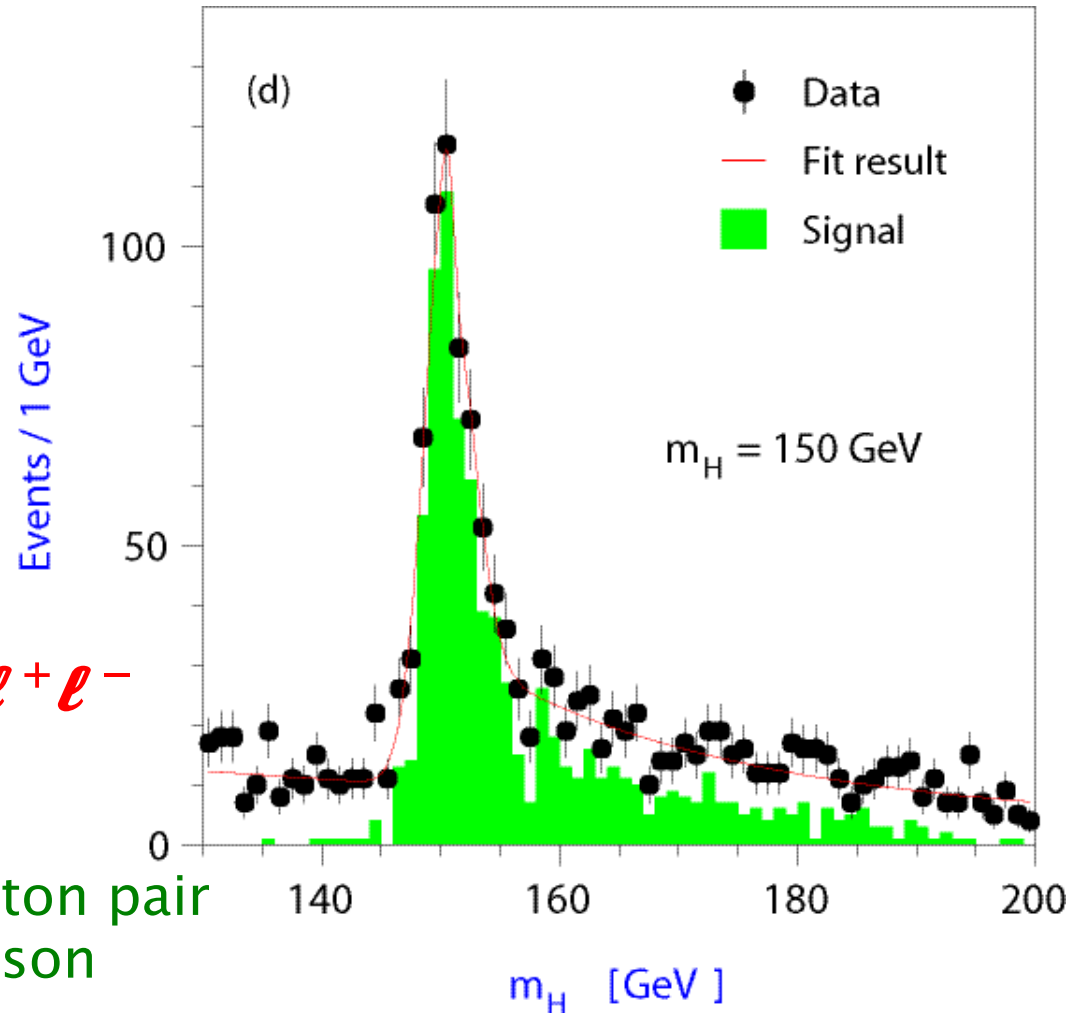
# Precision Measurement of Higgs

Measure Higgs production independent of decay



Reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow H Z \rightarrow X \ell^+\ell^-$

Resolution of recoil mass of lepton pair limited by natural width of Z boson



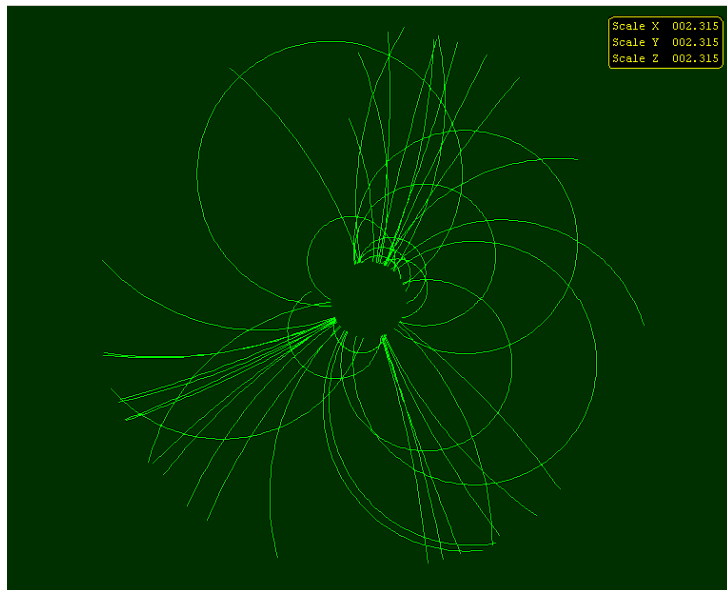
required momentum resolution:  $\Delta(1/p_t) < 5 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$   
(CMS-Tracker:  $\Delta(1/p_t) \approx 1.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$ )

# Why using a Drift Chamber?

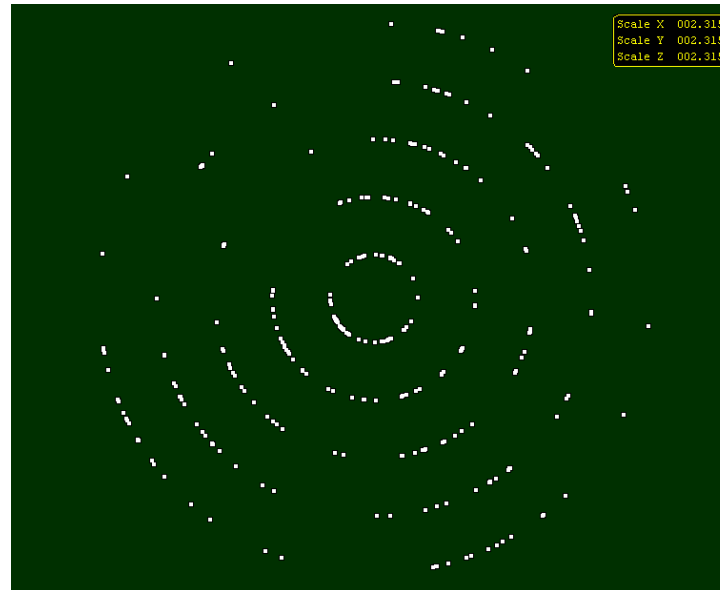
Advantage of TPC versus full-silicon tracker à la CMS :

- **small material budget** in front of precision calorimeter
- **little multiple scattering** improves momentum resolution
- measurement of  **$dE/dx$**
- **efficient pattern recognition**

drift chamber (TPC)



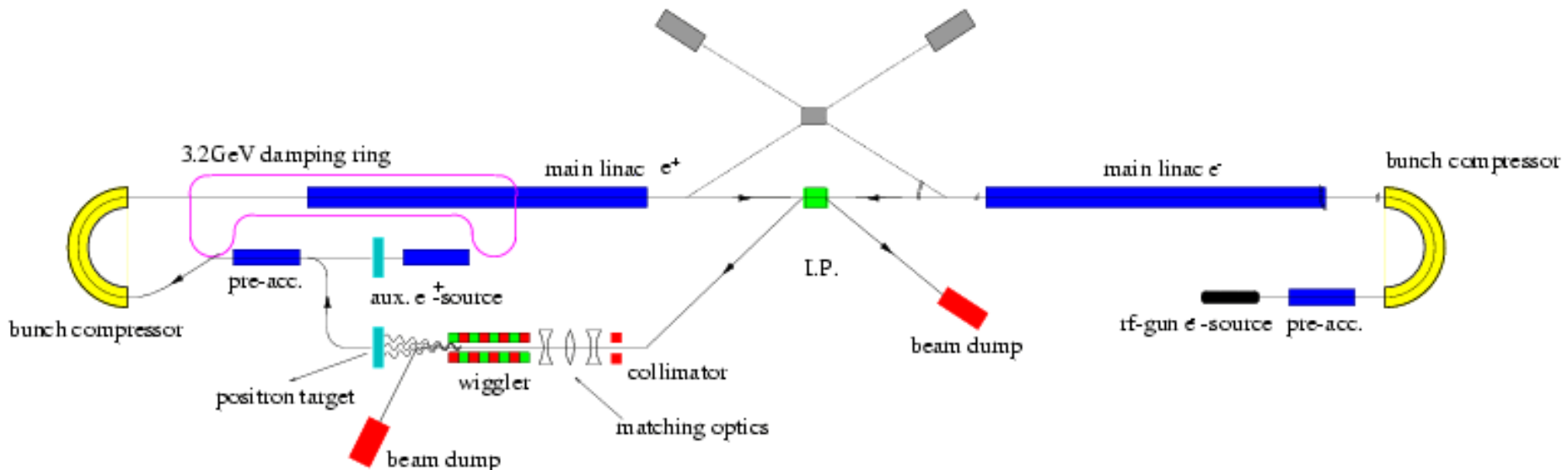
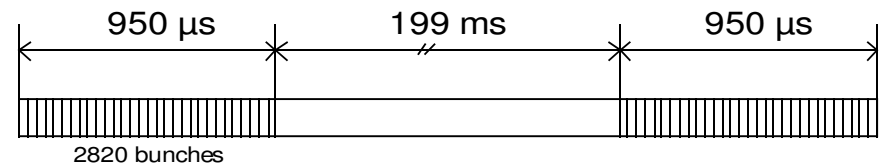
silicon detector



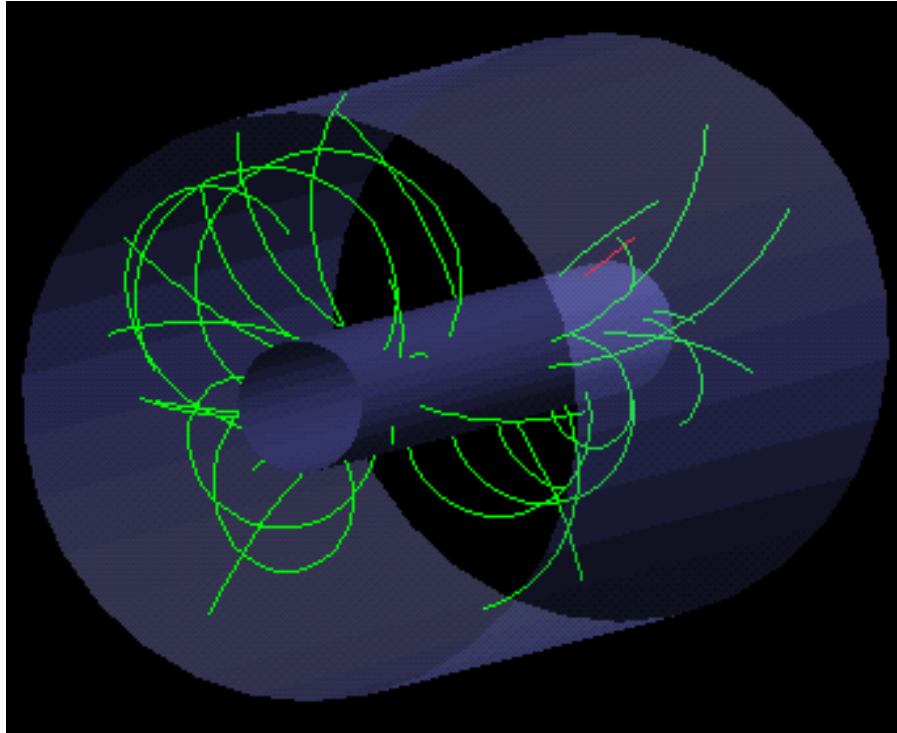
much smaller particle rates than at the LHC !

# ILC – International Linear Collider

- Design based on “cold technology”  
**TESLA – TeV Energy Superconducting Linear Accelerator**
- CM energy: **90 – 1000 GeV**
- Luminosity:  **$3 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**  (ca. 5000 x LEP)
- Time structure: **1 ms** long bunch trains with **5 Hz**
- Bunch separation: **337 ns**



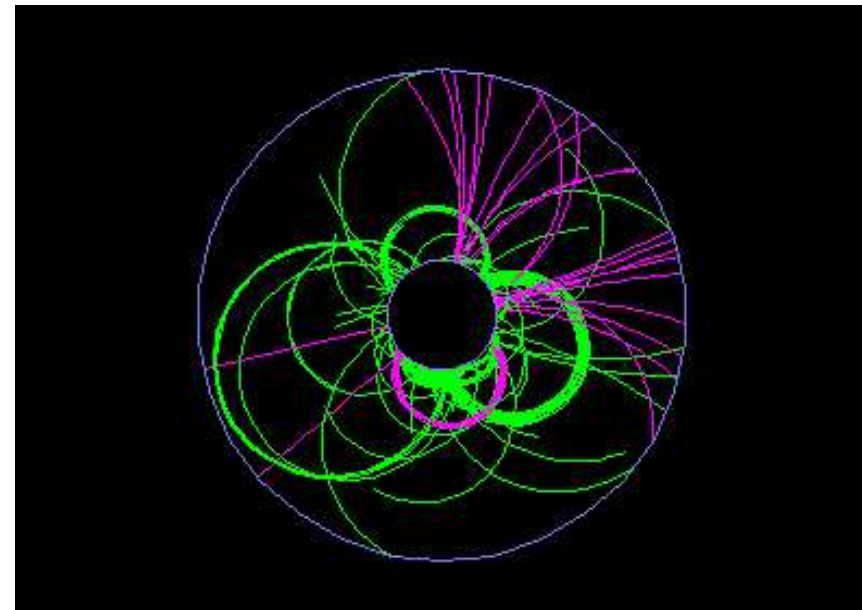
# Timing



- continuous TPC read-out during bunch train (2820 BX)
- no hardware trigger
- 1 ms of raw data in front end

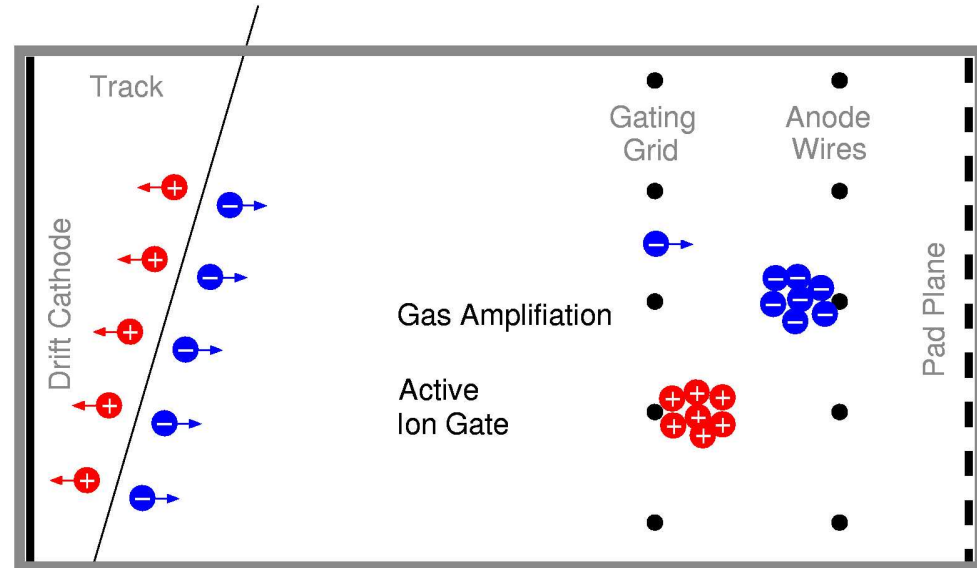
Time measurement in TPC

- z coordinate
- event tag



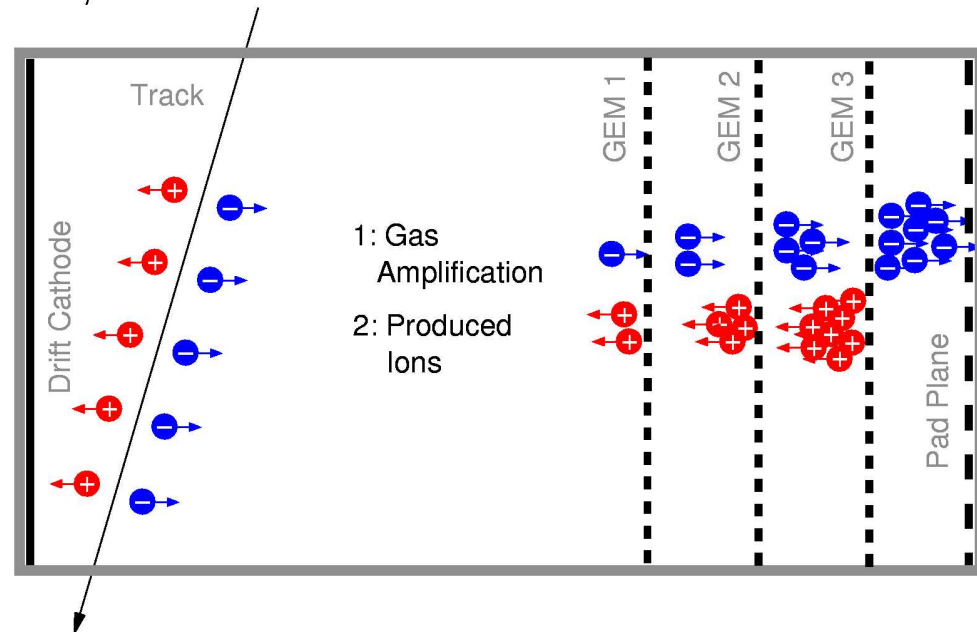
# Ion Back-Drift

LEP: Gating between bunches  
 $\Delta t = 22 \mu s$



ILC: Length of bunch train  
 $2820 \times 337 \text{ ns} = 950 \mu s$

Drift time is about  $50 \mu s$ ,  
no Gating between  
individual events possible



# Ion Back-Drift in Magnetic Field

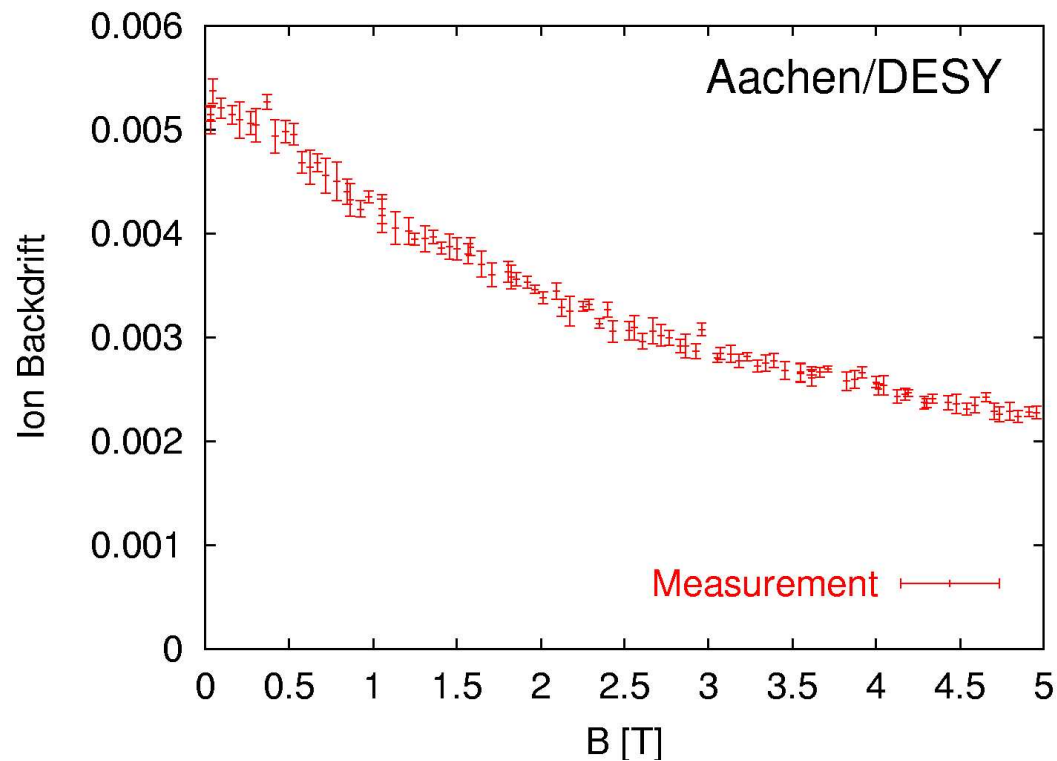


Measurements in 5 T magnet

Anode current increases with magnetic field

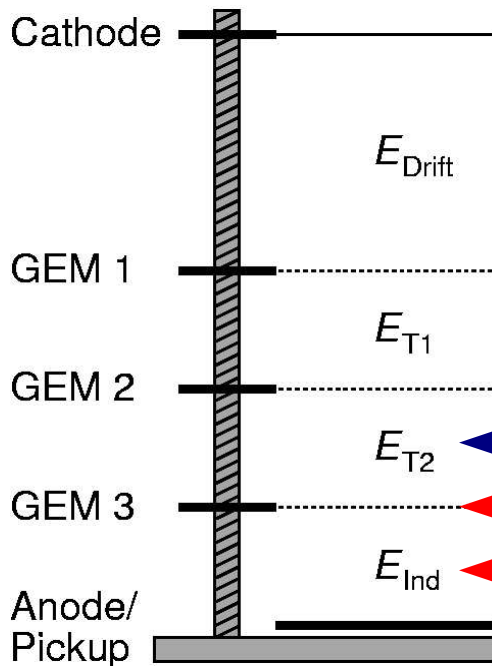
Explained by increased extraction efficiency

$$\text{Ion back-drift} = I_{\text{Cathode}} / I_{\text{Anode}}$$

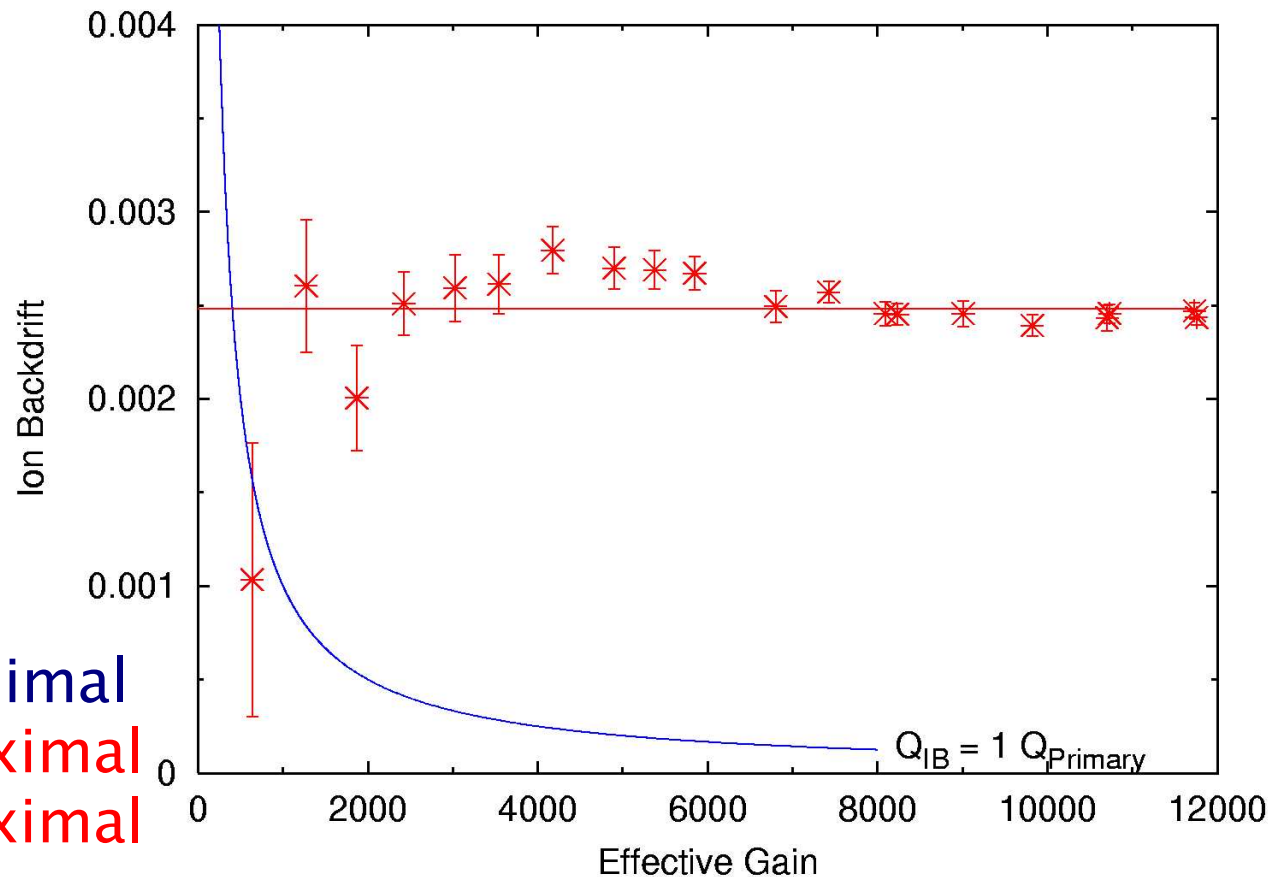


# Minimisation of Ion Back-Drift

- Search for GEM setting with **minimum Ion back-drift**
- Important: **Remove ions at place of origin !**
- Ideal case: **back-drifting ioncharge  $\leq$  primary ionisation**  
**relative ion back-drift  $\leq 1 / \text{gas-gain}$**



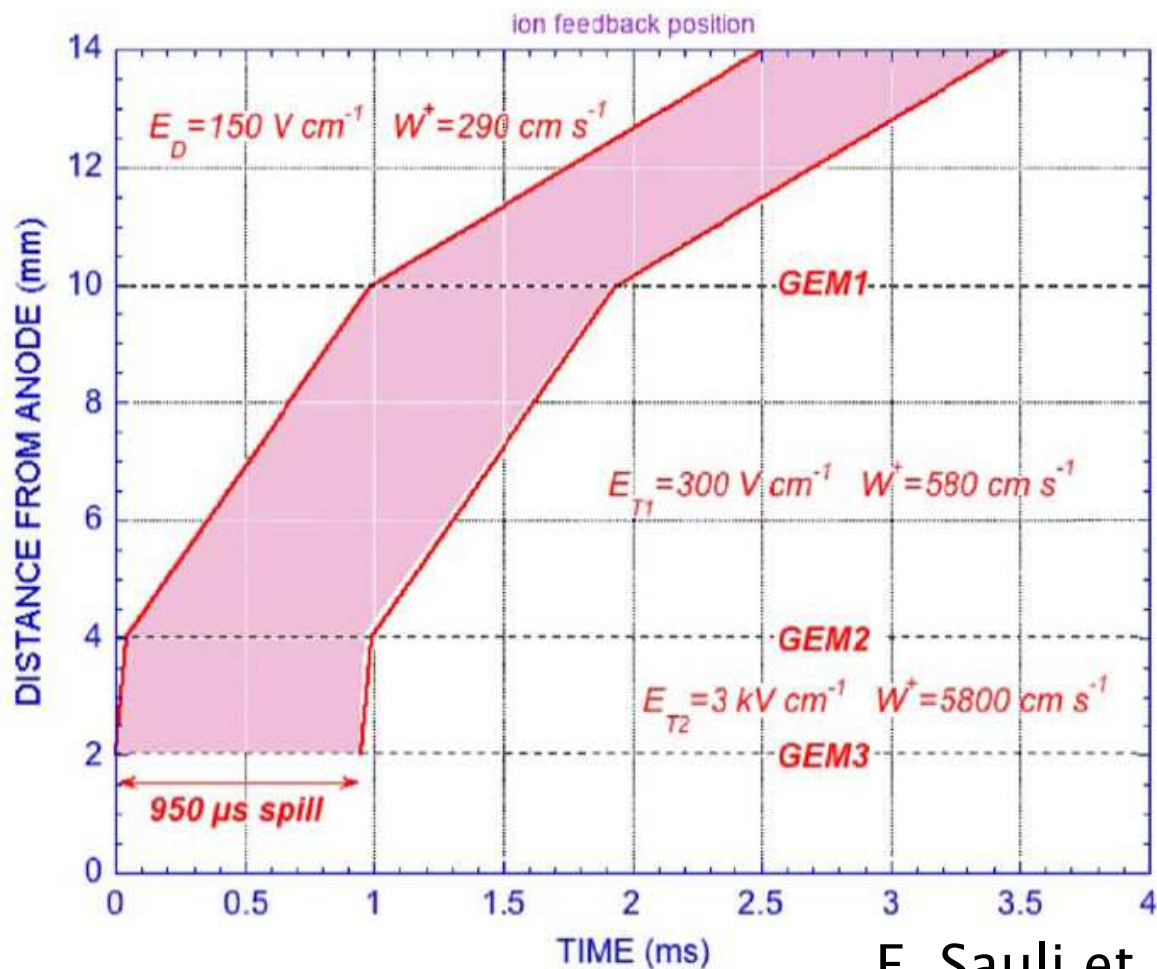
minimal  
 maximal  
 maximal





# Gating after Spills

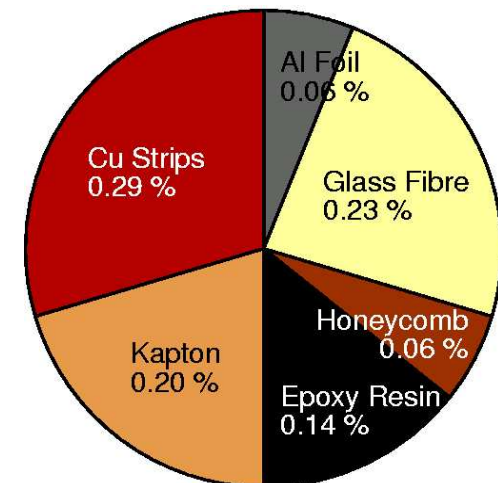
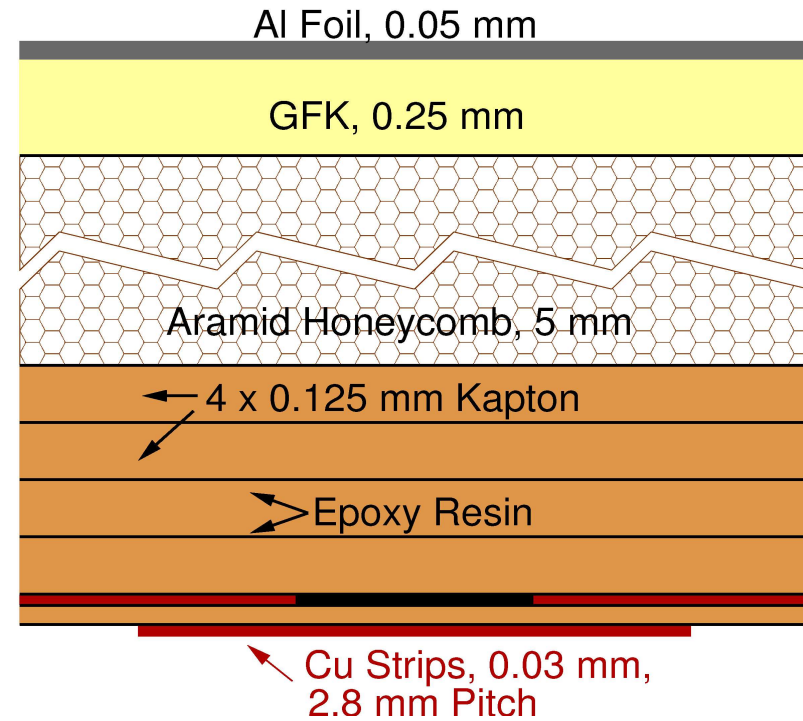
- Slow Ion mobility: Place additional GEM above Readout system
- Important: Distance large enough to cover ions of 1 ms bunch trains
- End of train: Reverse voltage at GEM to hold off ions from drift region



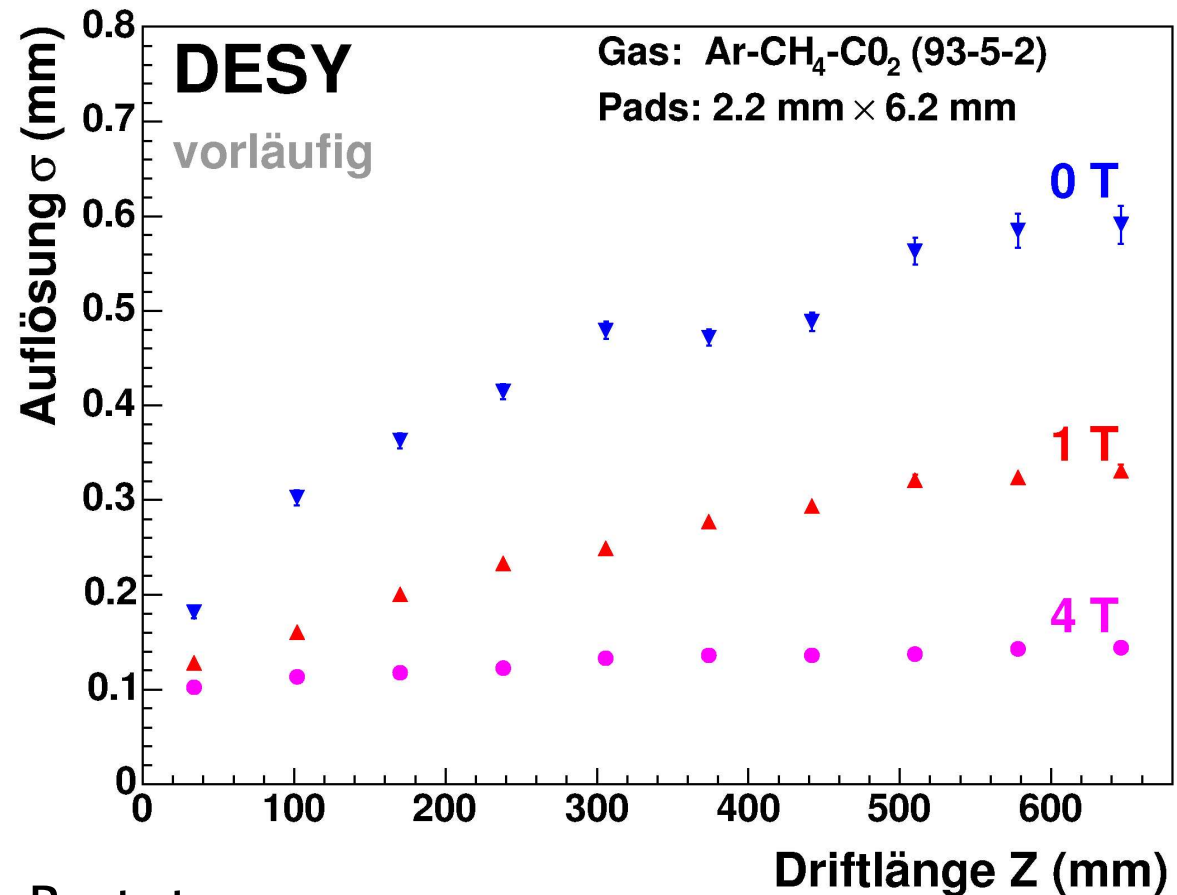
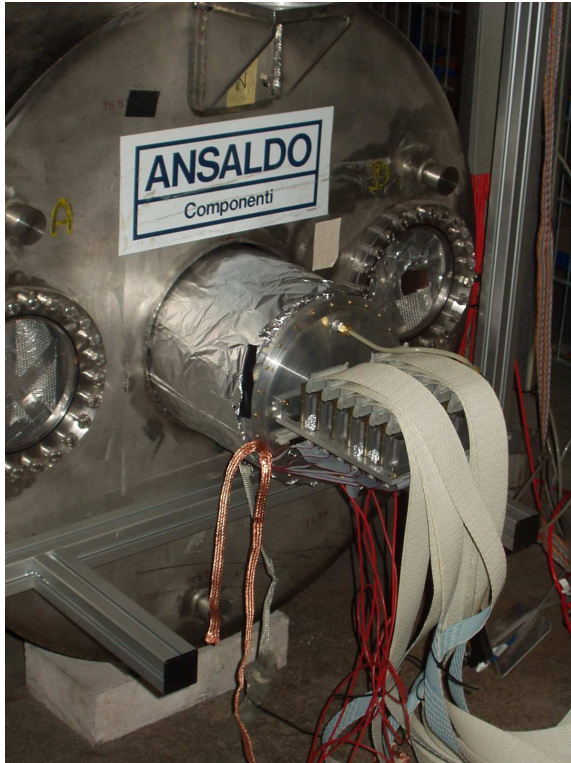
F. Sauli et al, subm. to NIM

# Construction of Prototypes

- Compact design to fit into test magnet
- Material budget only 1%  $X_0$



# Cosmics in Magnetic Field

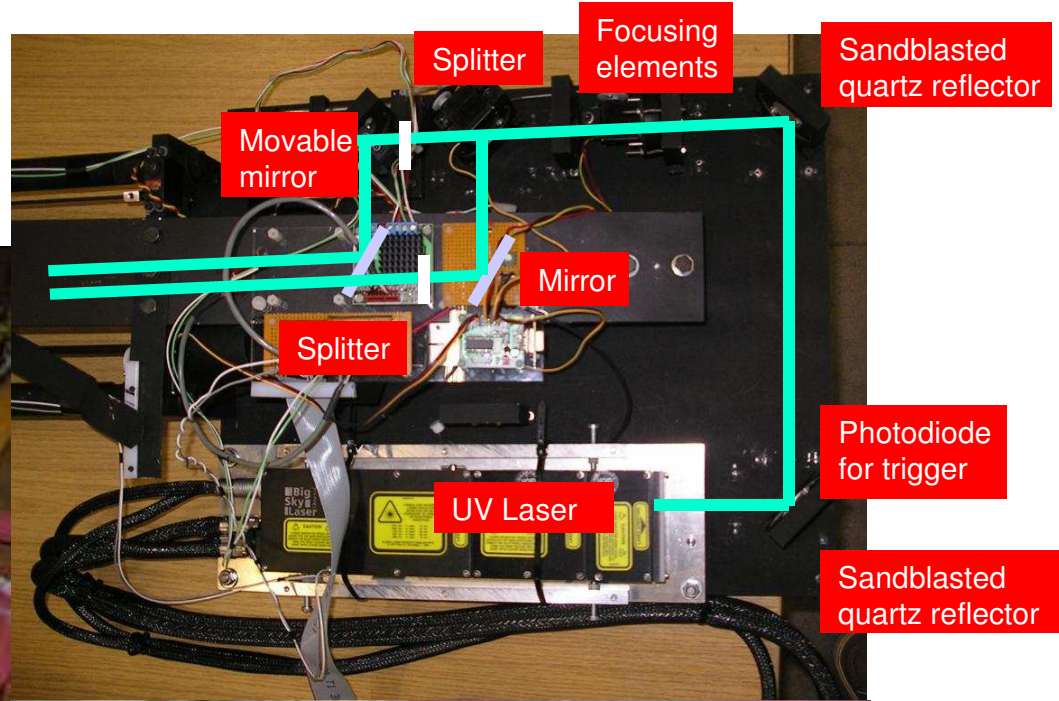


Measurements with DESY-Prototype

- Improvement of spatial resolution for high magnetic fields  
Reduction of transversal diffusion
- At 4 T magnetic field the spatial resolution is dominated by read-out structure

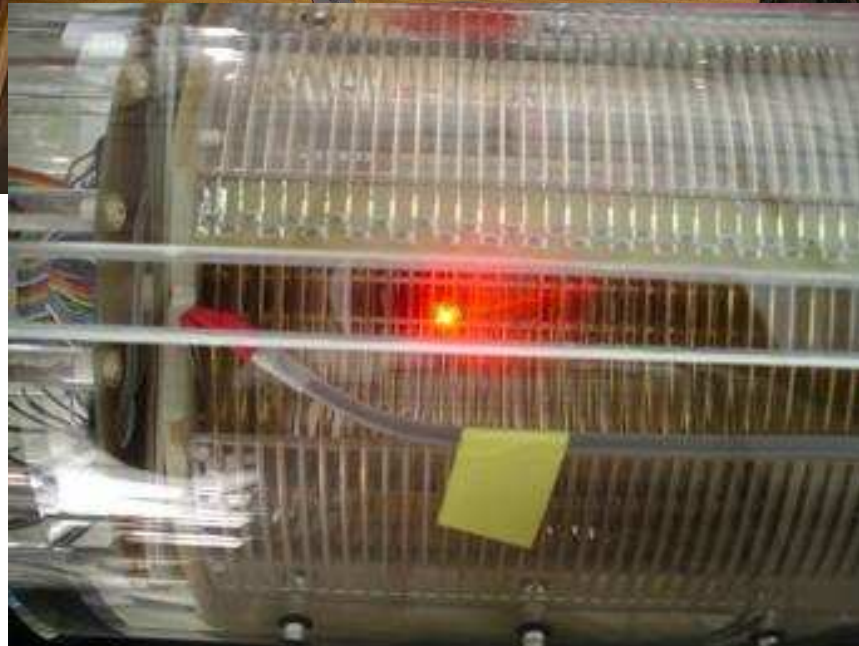
# Measurements with UV-Laser

Victoria University / DESY



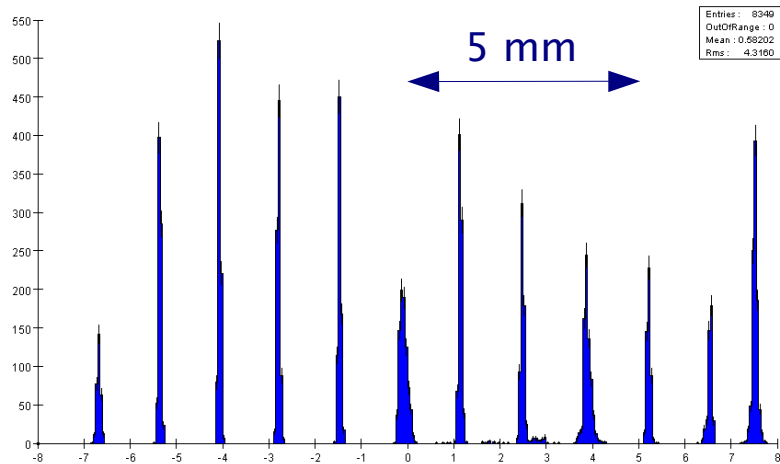
Laser beam integrated  
into TPC

Measurements in 4 T  
magnetic field



# Tracks from UV Laser

## Scan of laser beam:



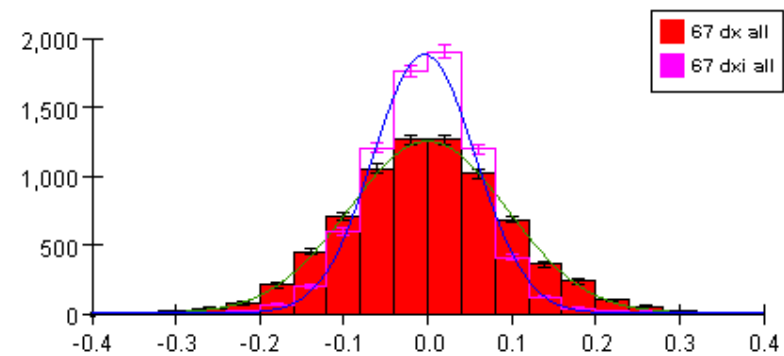
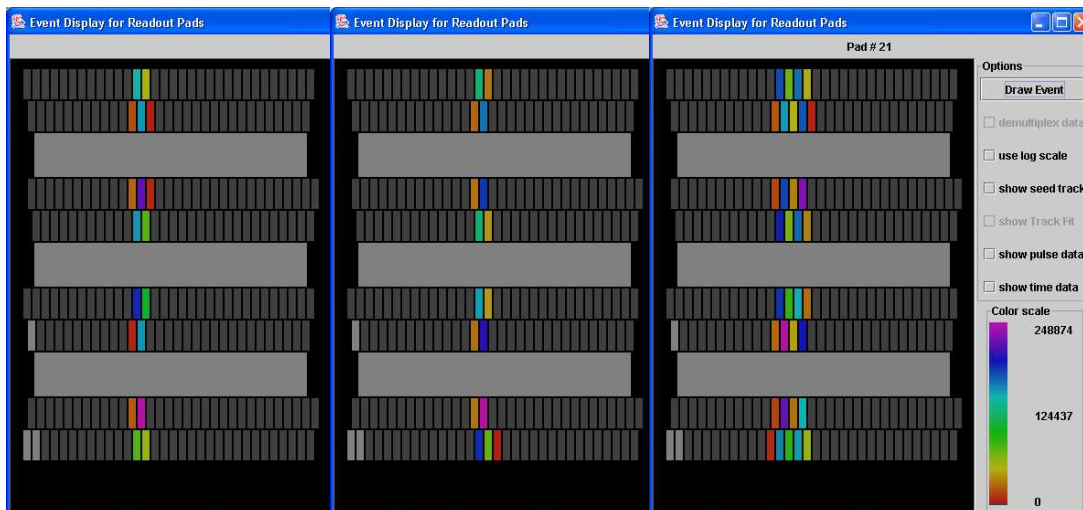
- very stable beam position  
RMS < 4  $\mu\text{m}$  over 20 min
- **Spatial resolution ca. 75  $\mu\text{m}$**

## Split of laser beam:

only beam 1

only beam 2

both beams

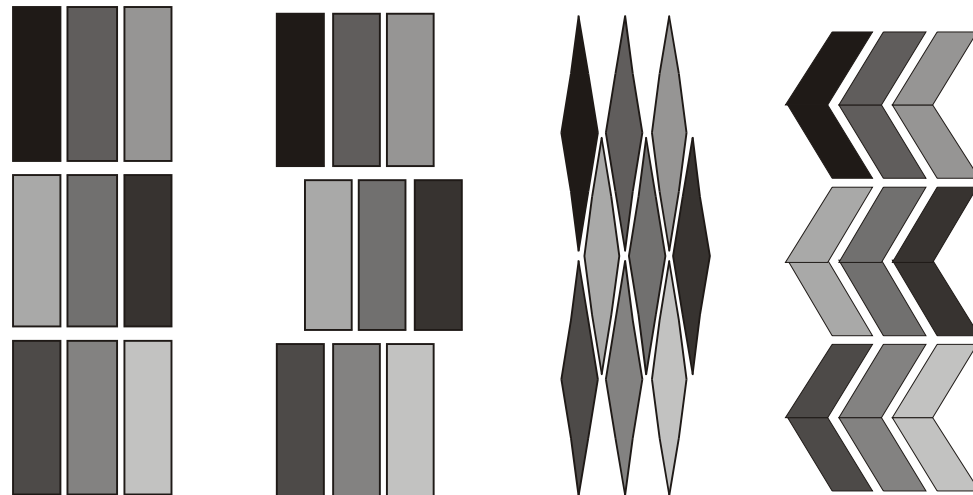
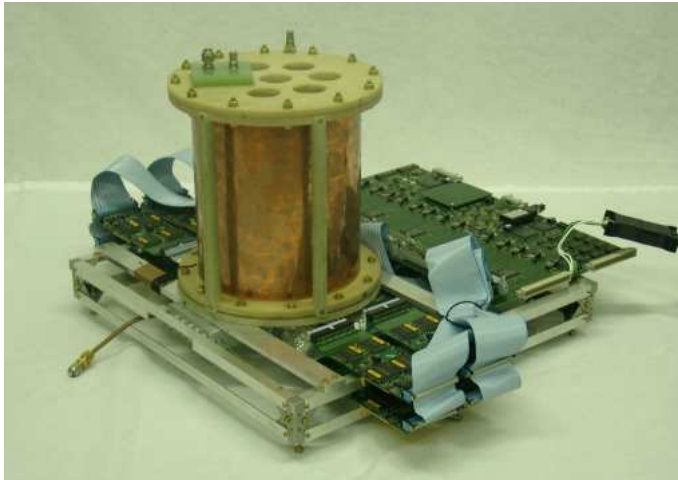


**Double track resolution:  
ca. 3 mm for 2 mm pads**

# Study of Pad Geometries

Uni Karlsruhe / DESY

TPC prototype with  
different pad geometries  
(typical size 2x6 mm)



rectangular staggered rhombus chevron



5.6 GeV  $e^+$  test beam at DESY  
Prototype TPC in 1 T magnet

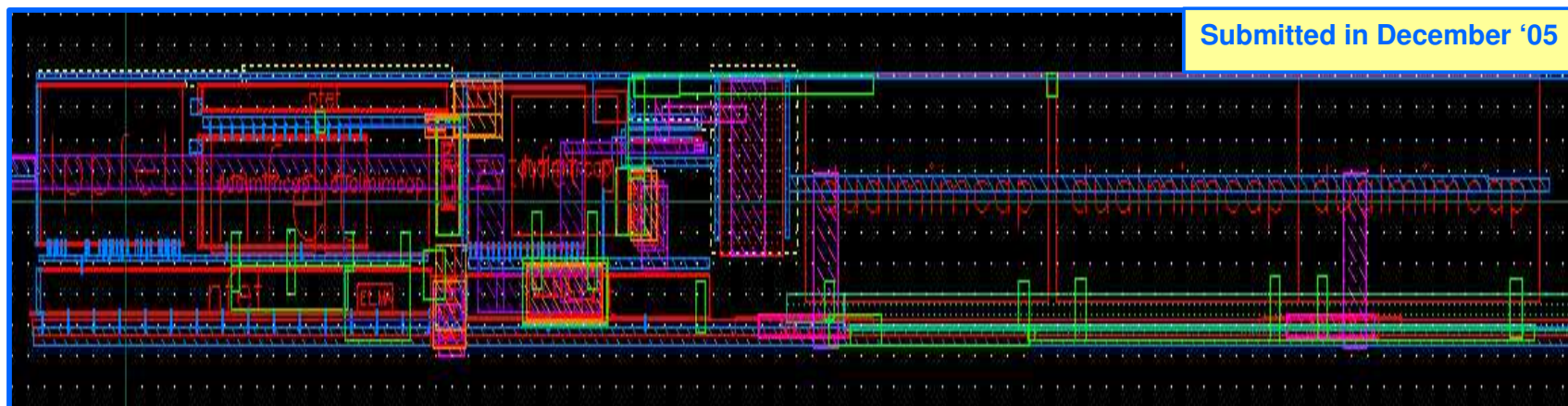
# General Purpose TPC Readout Chip

CERN (L. Musa et al.):

- Number of readout channels: 32 or 64
- Programmable charge amplifier:  
charge in the range:  $\sim 10^2$  –  $\sim 10^7$  electrons
- high-speed high-resolution A/D converter

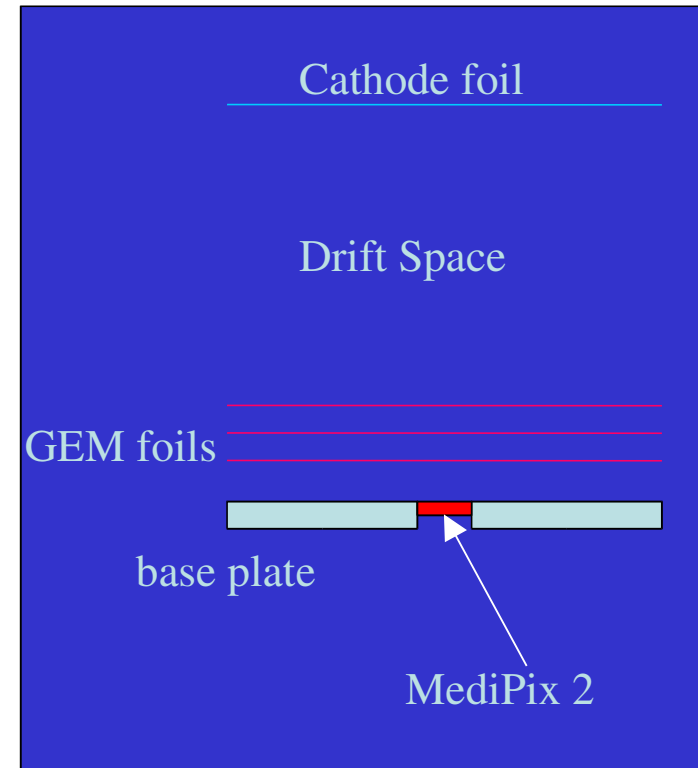
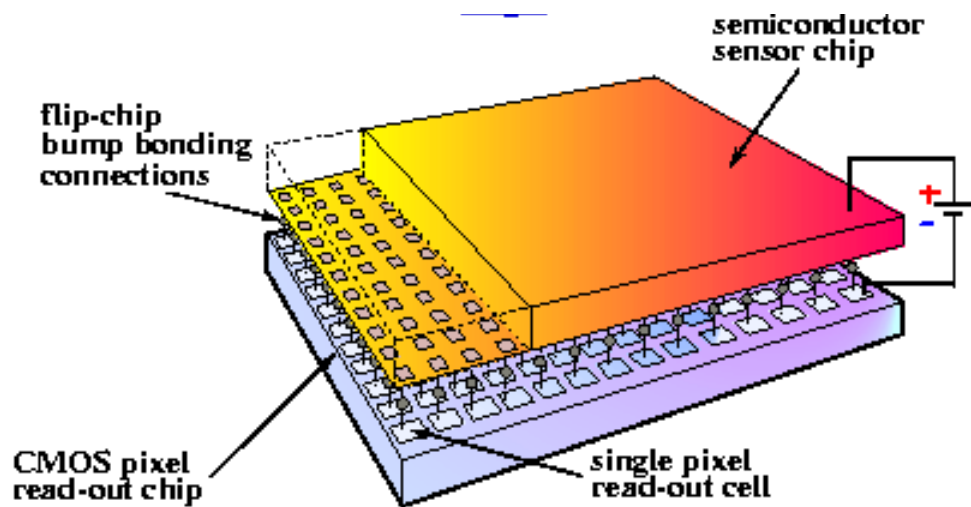
➔ Upgrade of ALTRO chip used for ALICE TPC

Low-noise Amplifier (CMOS 0.13  $\mu\text{m}$ ) already designed



# Silicon Read-Out

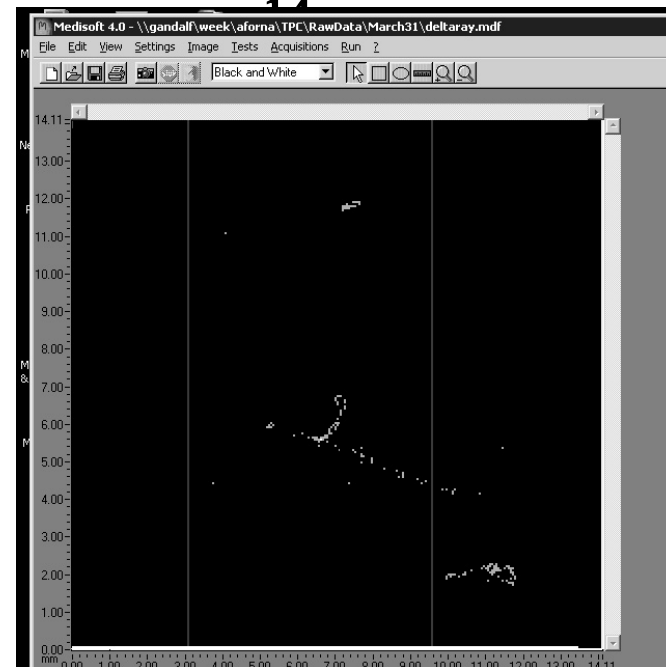
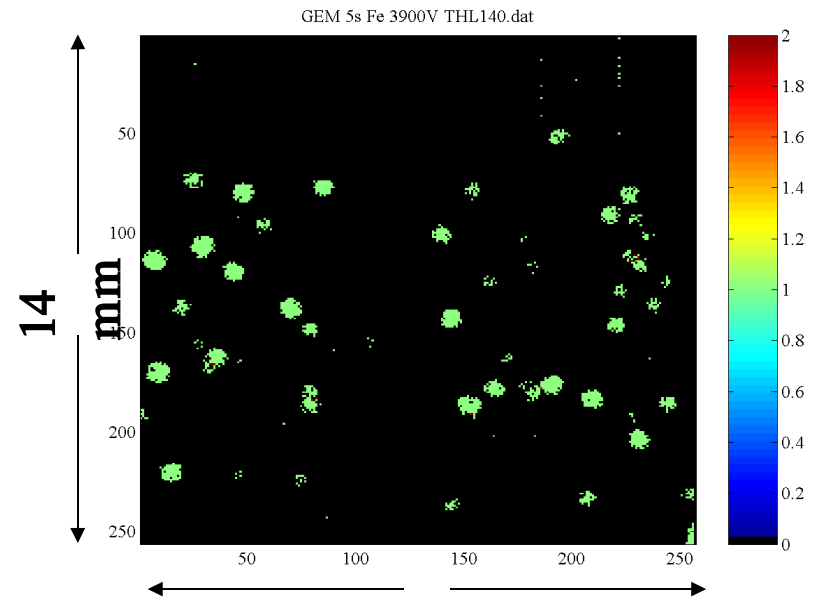
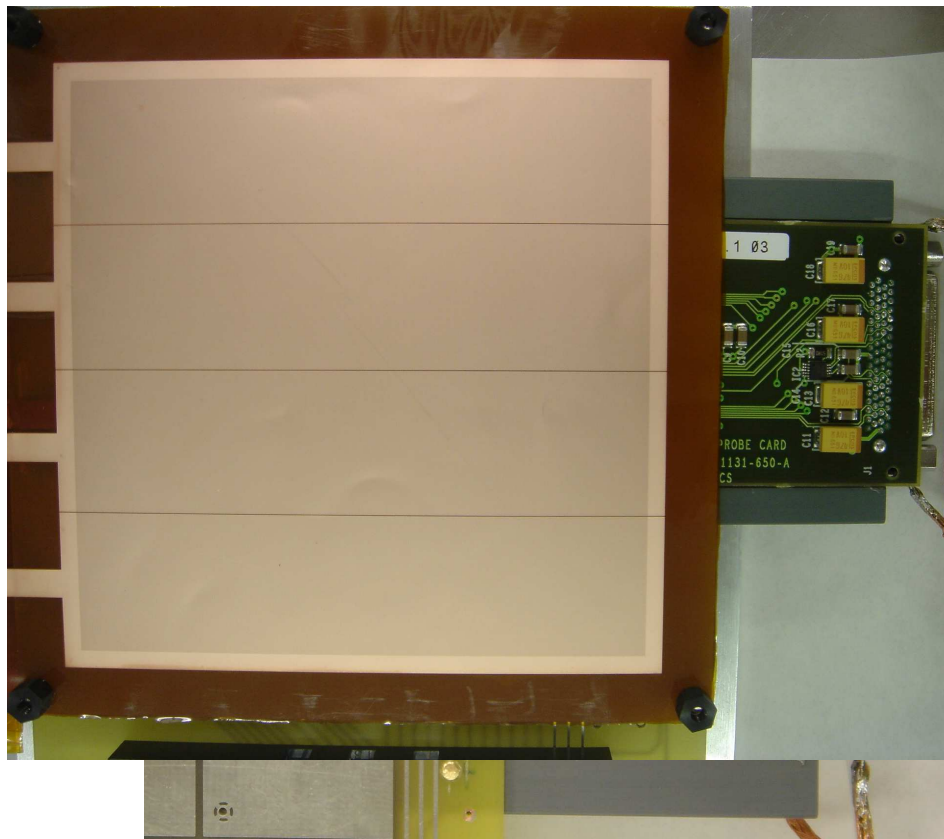
- MediPix 2 pixel detector (CERN development)
- Remove silicon sensor
- Use read-out electronics to detect GEM signal





# GEM Read-Out with Medipix-Chip

Uni Freiburg / NIKHEF:



# From MediPix to TimePix

CERN (M. Campbell et al.), NIKHEF, Napoli, Prague:

- Include timing information: Develop TimePix readout chip with only small modifications to MediPix to avoid failures in chip design
- Brainstorming meetings at CERN
- Use “pixel arrival time” and “time over threshold”
- Two possible timestamp methods under study:
  - local oscillator per pixel
  - clock sent to all pixels

# Summary and Outlook

- Relative ion back-drift at the level of 2 permille reached
- Additional options for ion suppression under study
- Field cage prototypes constructed
- First measurements of spatial resolution are promising
  
- Design and construction of a large prototype (EUDET)
- Measurements in electron and hadron test beams
- Study of various read-out planes (GEM, Micromegas, Si-GEM)
- Decision on the final TPC design