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**Laser ablation technics for Micromegas :
laser zigzag readout and laser mesh**



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The idea of laser ablation for zigzag pattern is brought by **Alexander Kiselev** from Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL).

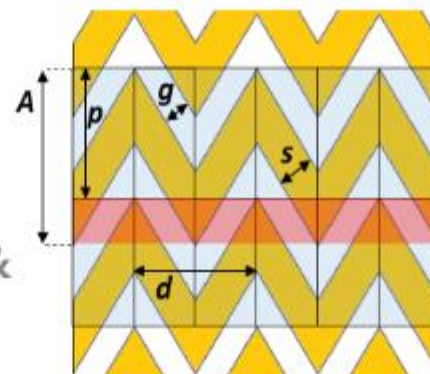
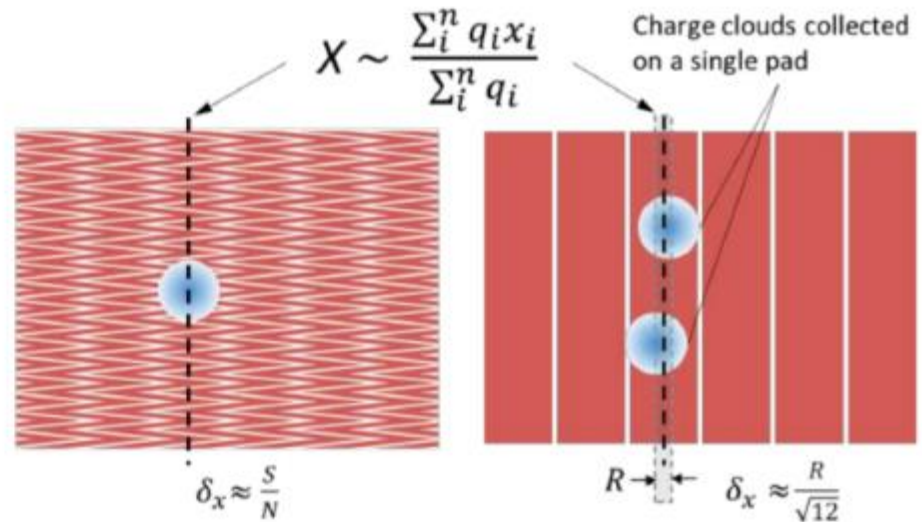
In June 2017 at MPGD 2017 meeting we meet Alexander and decide to try for a LDRD funding (~10 pages of proposal) focused on zigzag pattern for future Electron-Ion Collider (EIC) tracker with the knowhow from:

- BNL (GEM, zigzag),
- Saclay IRFU (micromegas, bulk, clas12 tracker)
- Stony Brook University (GEM, sPhenix TPC)

In October 2017: LDRD "MPGD-4-IEC" is selected 😊
1.2 M\$ is obtain on 3 years (FY18-FY20)

- ▶ Minimal number of instrumented channels without loss of performance (spatial resolution)
- ▶ Resolution limit: single-strip/pad cluster
- ▶ Zigzag pattern: avoid single-strip cluster and increase the charge sharing with the same pitch as rectangular strips
- ▶ Geometry parameters can be tuned to have an optimal performance: best resolution & linear response

IEEE 2018, Bob Azmoun



Legend

- p : pad pitch
- d : zigzag period
- s : trace width
- g : gap width
- A : full pad width
- B : region with no overlap of neighboring pads
- C : region where neighboring pads overlap

The idea is to decrease the size of gap between strips on a MPGD readout, in order to have zigzag patterns with copper...

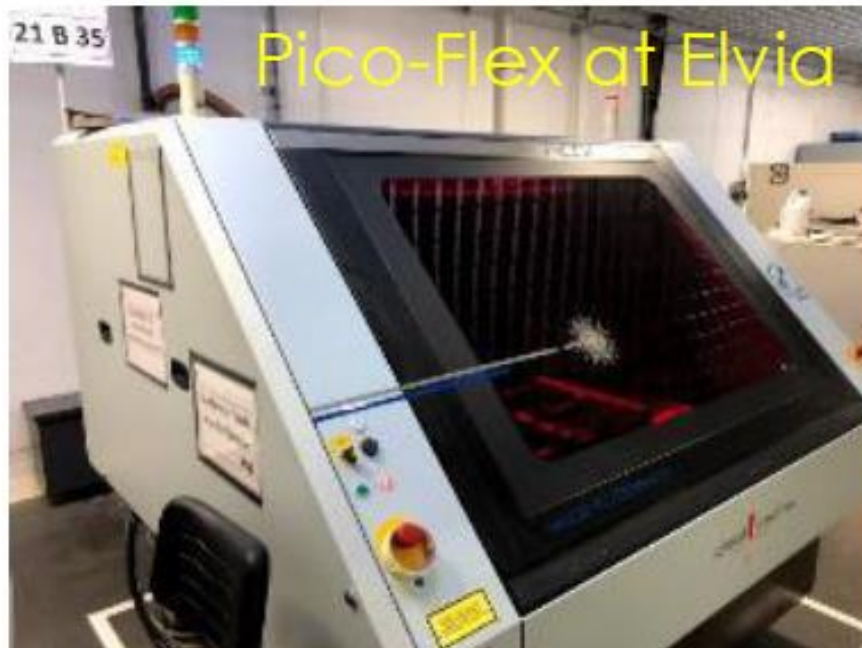
- Actual inter gap by chemical process:
 - $\sim 70 \mu\text{m}$ to $\sim 120 \mu\text{m}$ (depends on: surface, cost, manufacturer)
- Could we by laser ablation of copper lower this gap ?
- The need of high density pattern is to have zigzag pattern in order for a **same spatial resolution** the **lower the number of strip** (elec. channels)



In October 2017 we go two days at Elvia to try laser ablation of thin copper (9 μm) PCB.

Elvia possess a UV laser machine used to cut thin PCB and to make thin via.

R&D on site is possible thanks to close relation with them.



- We laser etched many ZZ patterns into sample substrates (50um FR4 with 5um Cu), and varied a number of parameters like the laser power, the number of passes of the laser over the pattern, etc.
- Laser can generate pattern on an area of about 500mm x 600mm
- Surprisingly it only takes a few minutes (depending on the number of passes) to generate a ZZ pattern on a ~10cm x ~10cm area
- We made our gap width equal to the laser profile, but needed to make several (4-8) passes to fully cut through the copper (the precision of the XY translation is at the level of a few um so that the laser retraces over its path very accurately)



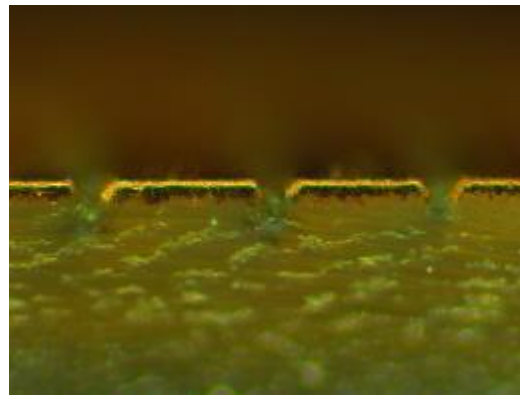
With Picoflex laser several parameter are tested:

- UV power (1 W to 20 W) we take ~ 5 W
- Number of path on same pattern: ~ 8 loops
- Recovery on close angle strips
- Diameter of laser is $\sim 25 \mu\text{m}$ (fixed)
- We try different pattern (~ 10) to have an idea of possibilities.

IT work ! After tuning we obtain $\sim 25 \mu\text{m}$ gap



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A first beam test for spatial resolution on Bulk and GEM detector is done in March 2018 at Fermilab test beam

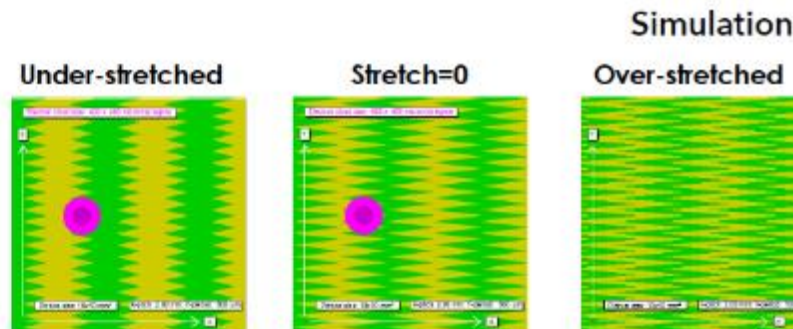
The 10x10 cm² active area is divided in 100 zigzag different patterns. (change in pitch and density on zigzag)

BNL try to have laser ablation at TTM in the US, very difficult to obtain good results with a collaboration based only on quotation with few (~no) information exchanges: all board are made at Elvia.

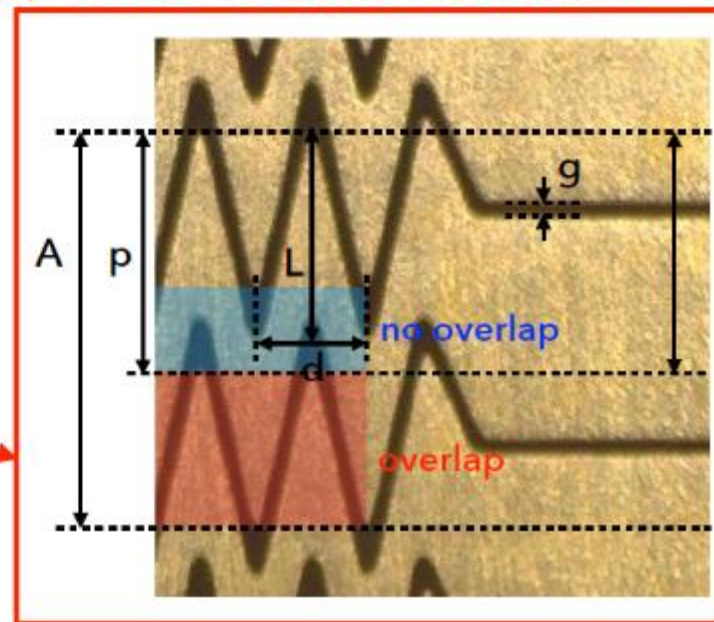
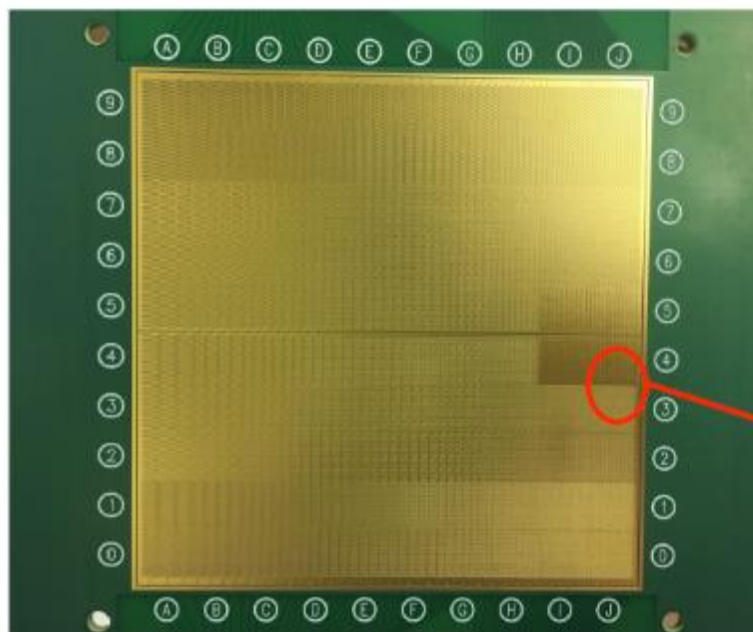
~ 8 boards are done: 4 micromegas and 4 GEM are done = a fully MPGD beam test 😊

► Tuning zigzag geometry parameters:

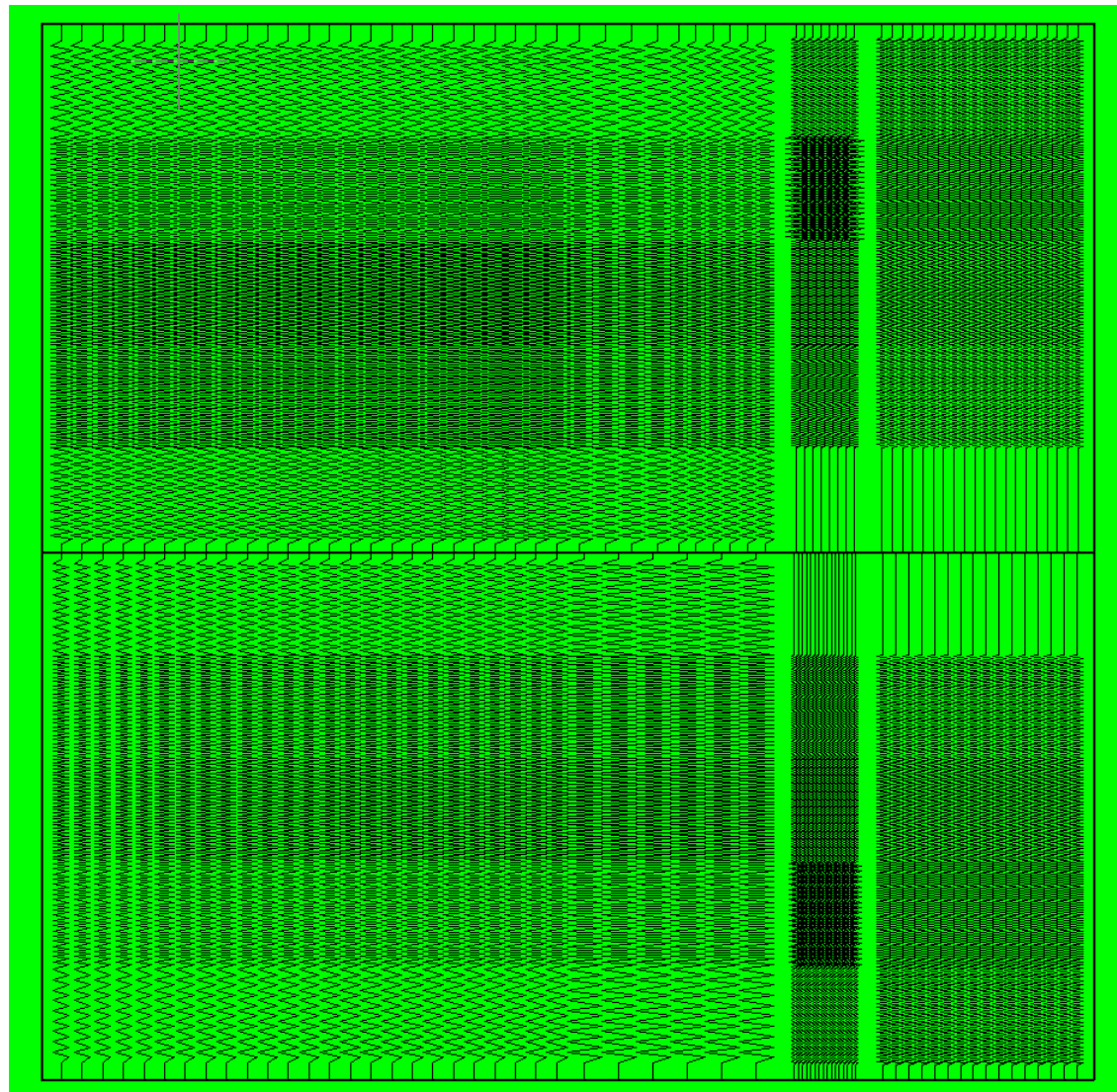
- ◆ Pitch p (same for rectangular strip)
- ◆ Period d
- ◆ Gap g =0: 100% overlap
- ◆ Stretch $(L/P-1) \times 100\%$ >0: over-stretch
<0: under-stretch



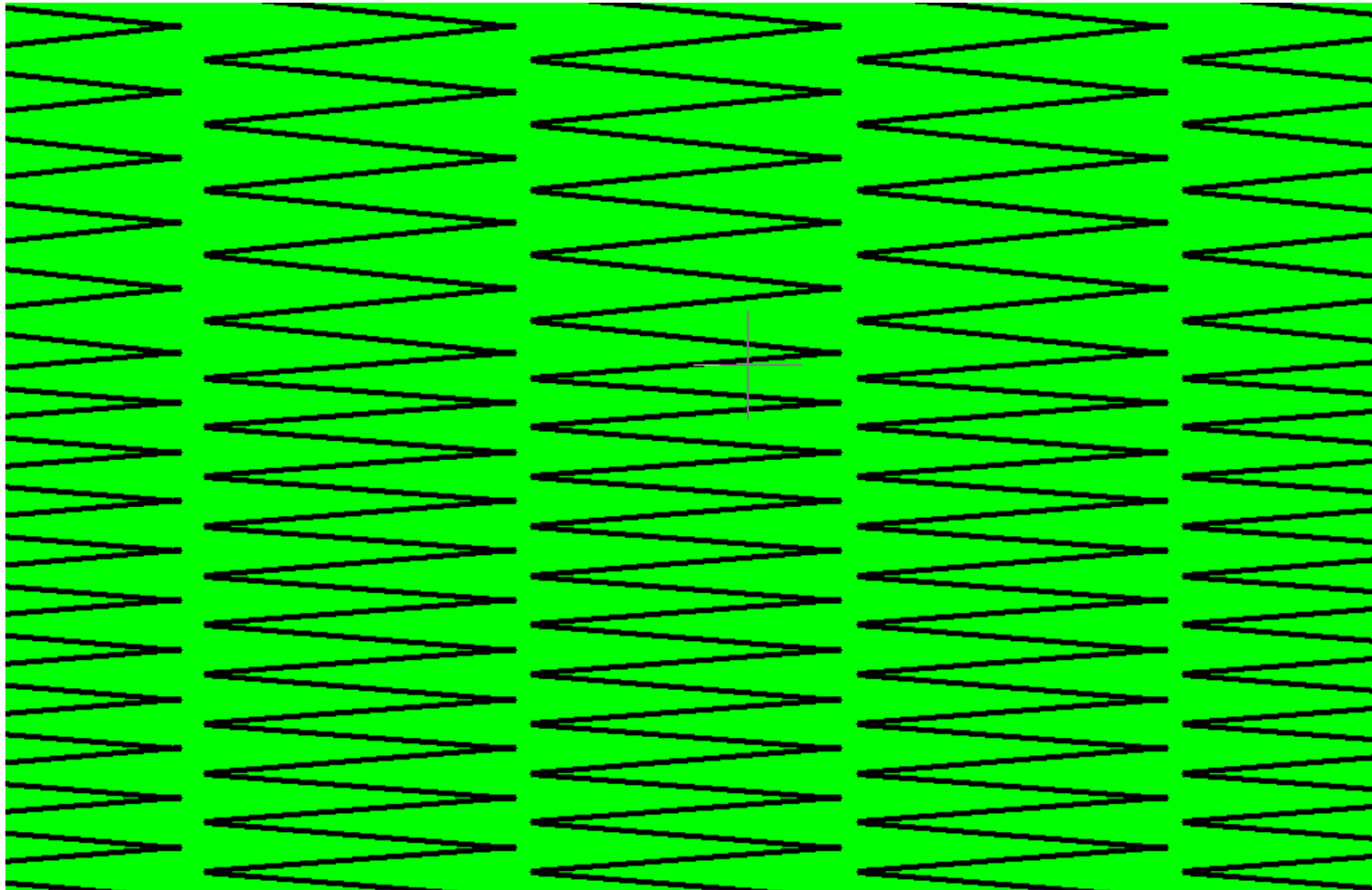
E.g. $p=2\text{mm}$, $d=500\mu\text{m}$, $g=75\mu\text{m}$, stretch = -10%



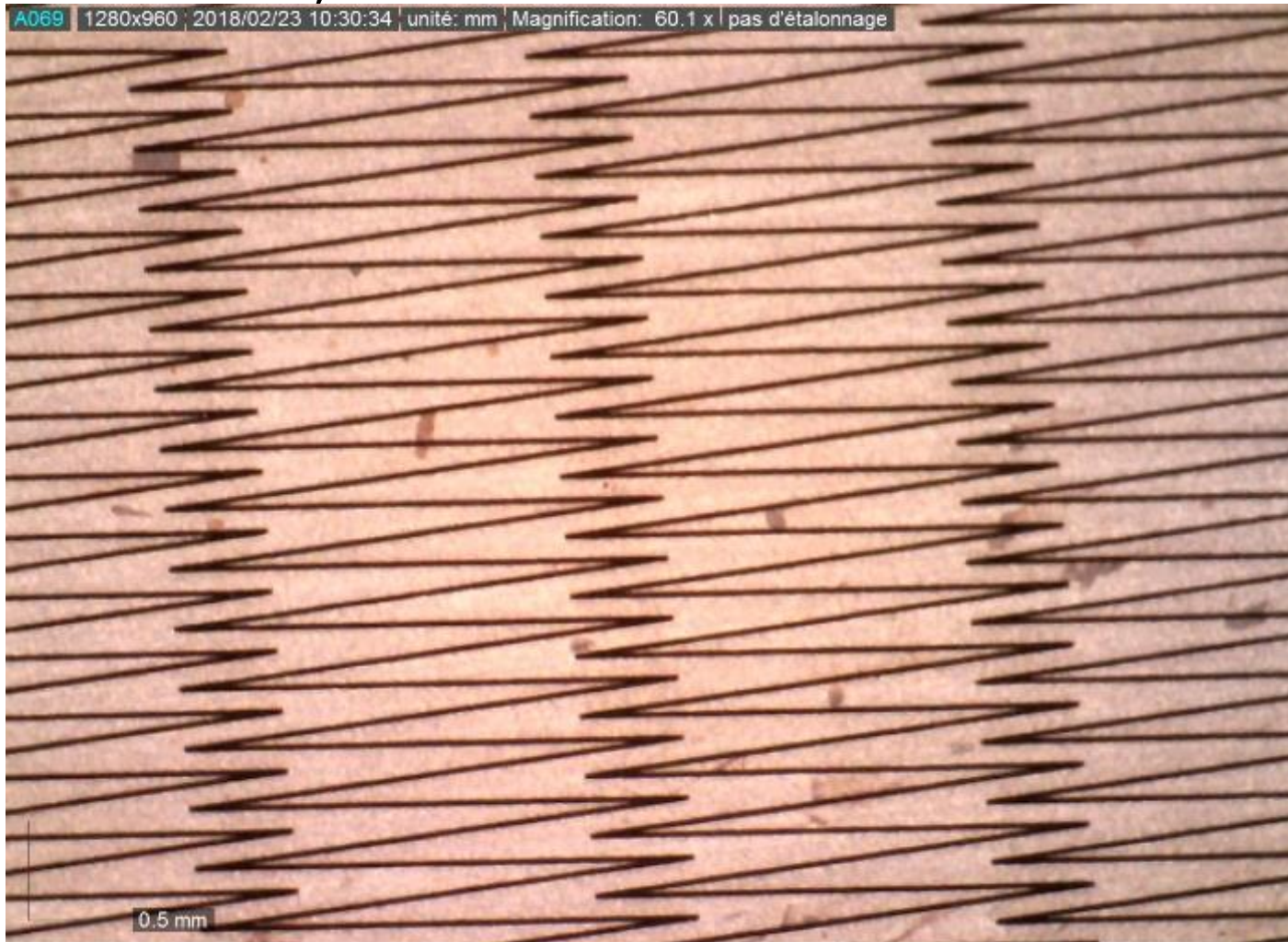
RD3 active area



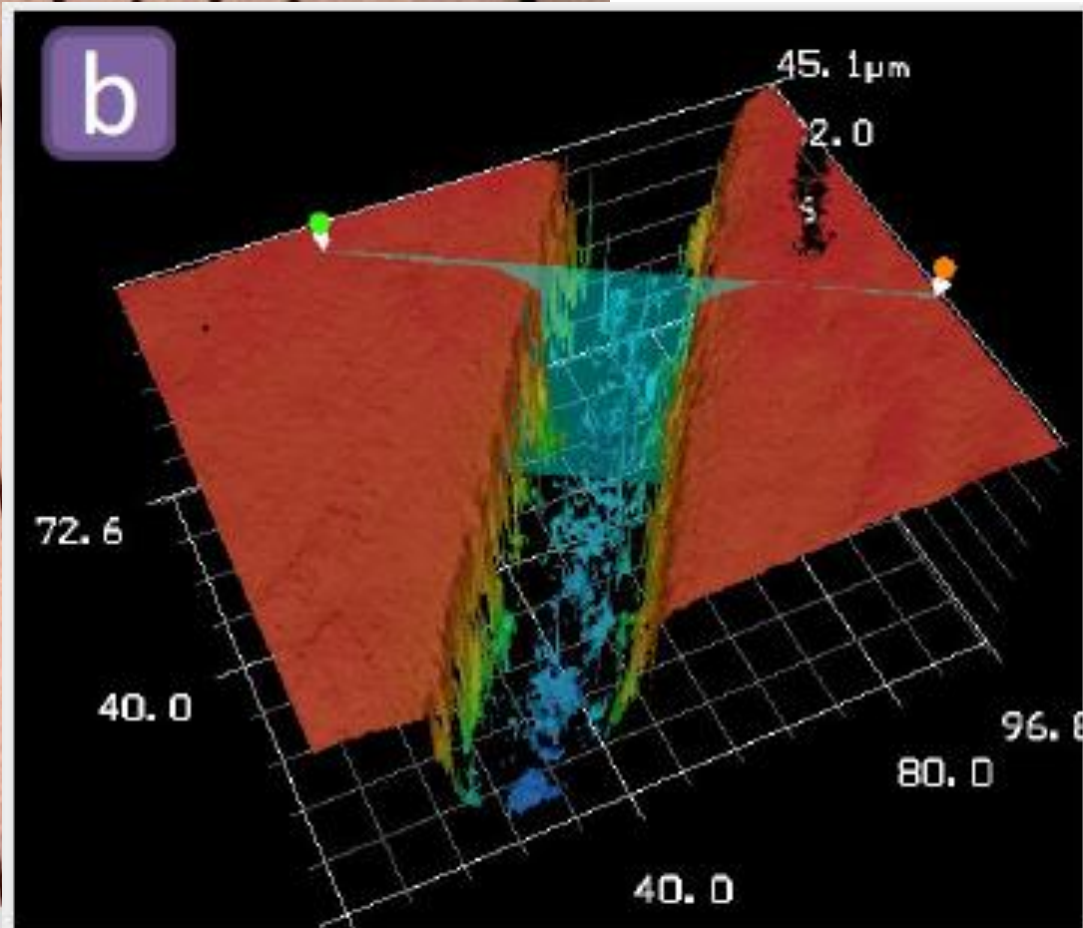
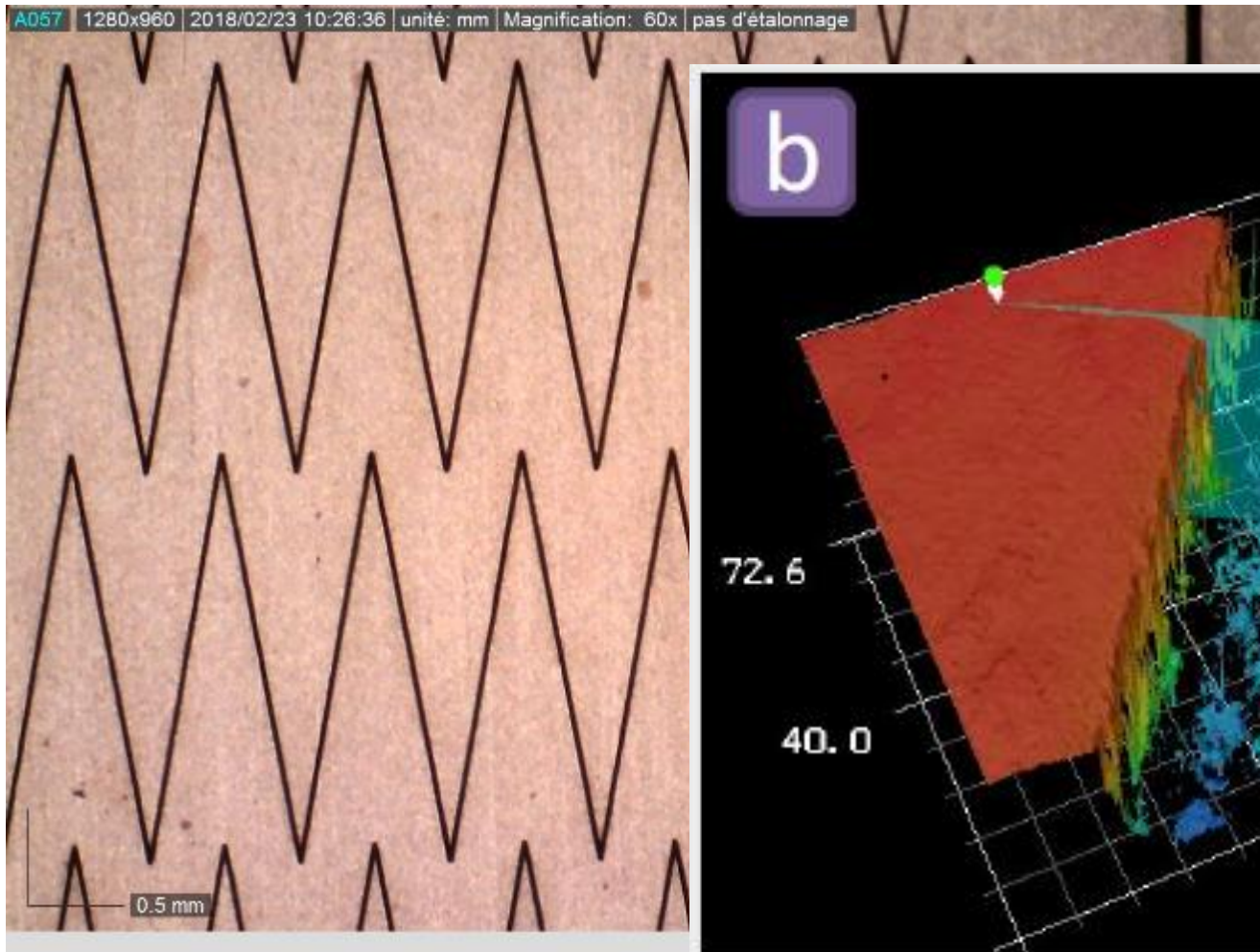
RD3 active area, zoom



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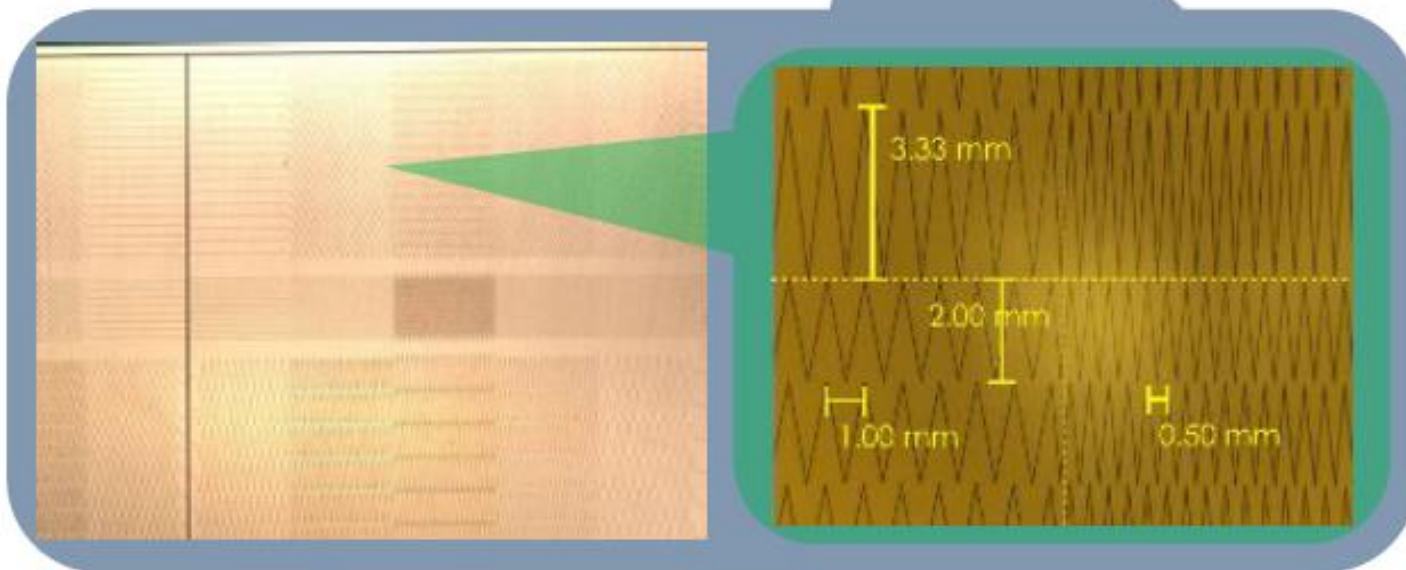
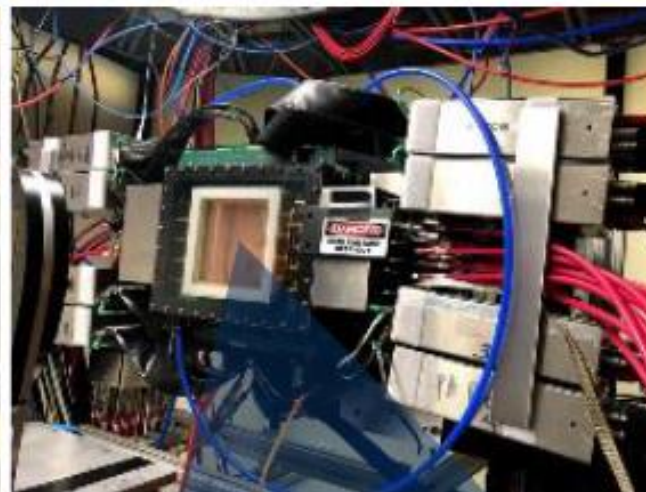
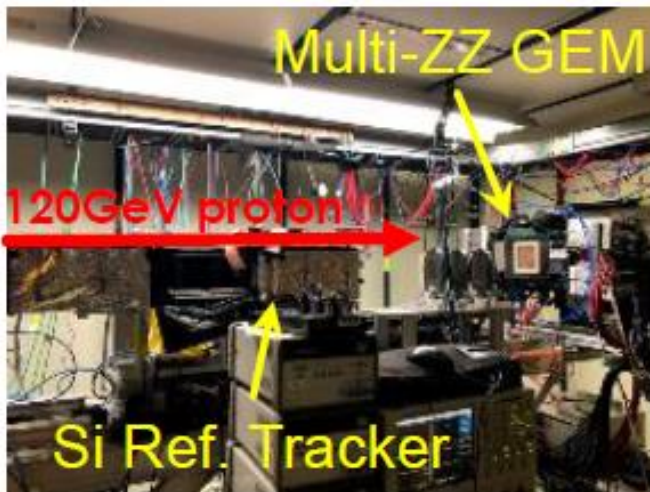
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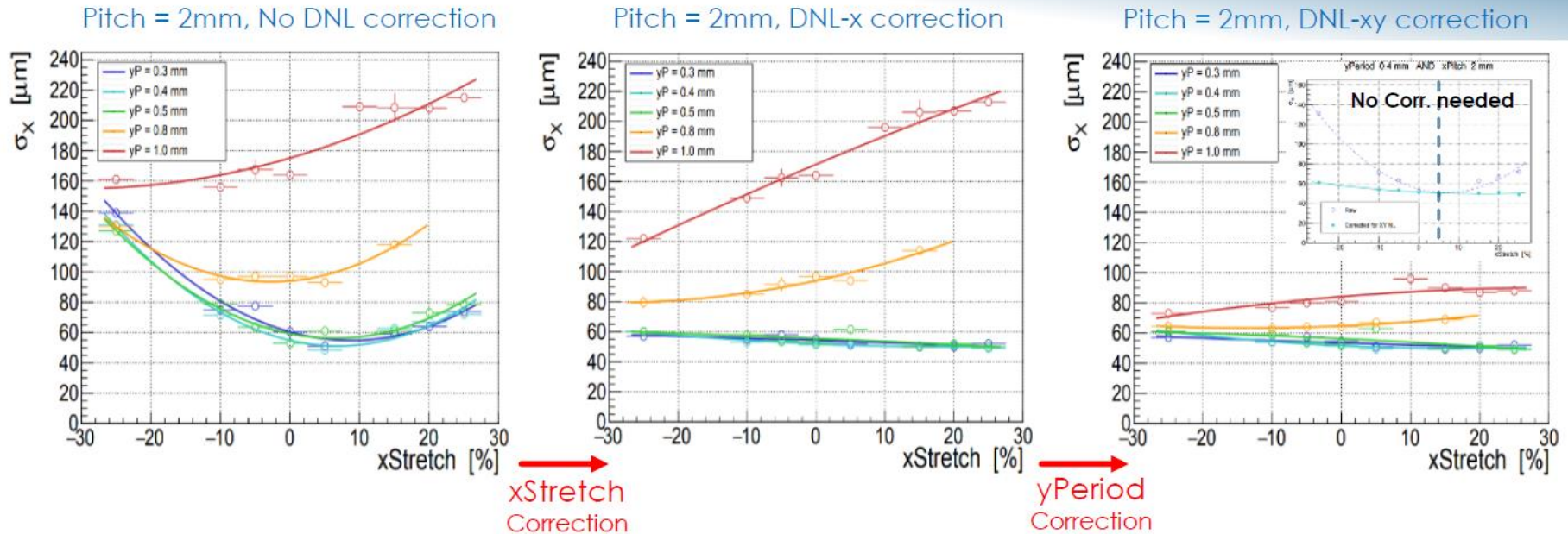
For beam test we are late....

The board are transformed into bulk at Saclay the week before the travel to FNAL !





BEAM TEST RESULTS: PERFORMANCE TRENDS



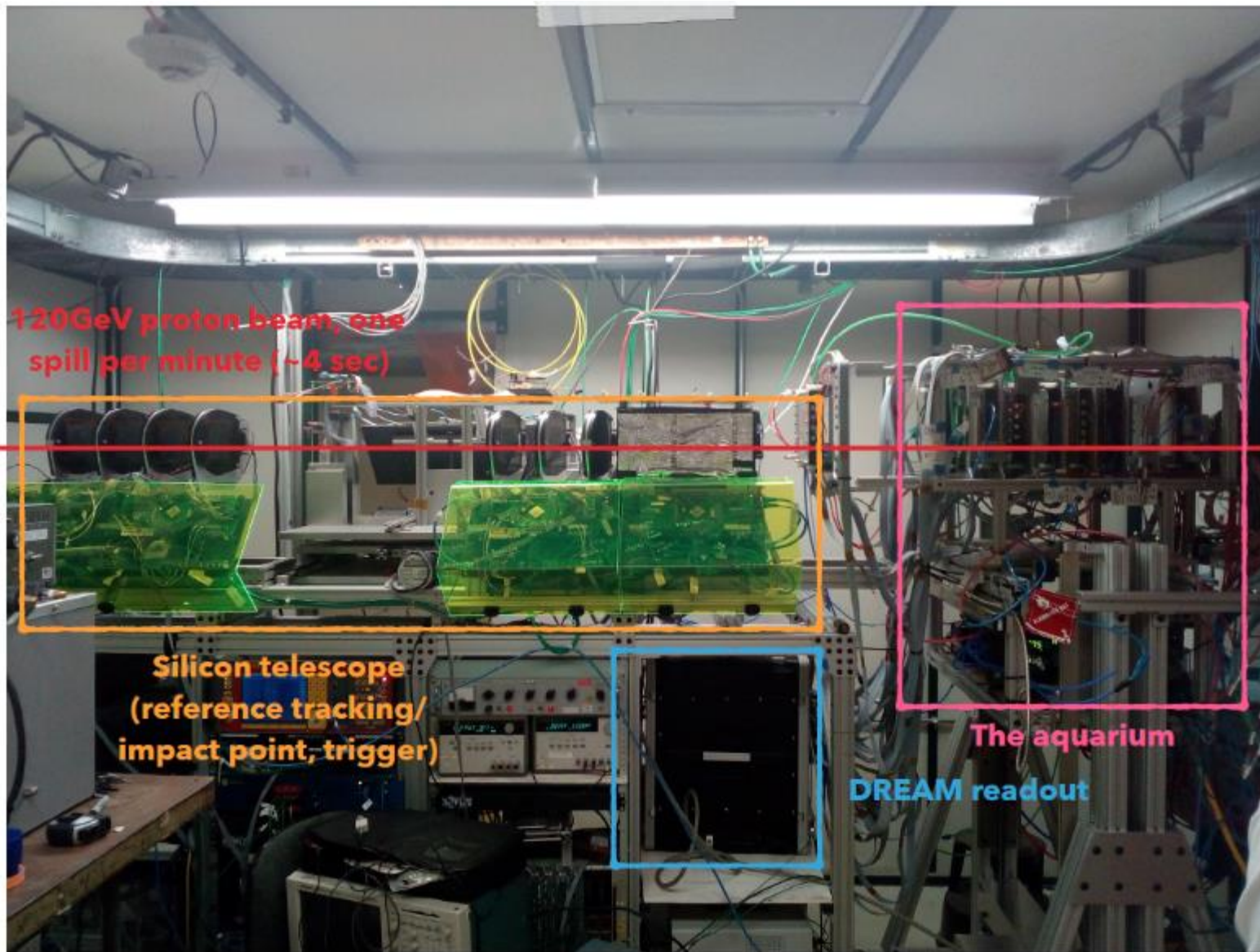
- Recover systematic offset in residuals using DNL-y correction followed by DNL-x correction
- Use centroid for correction, so process is limited by resolution of centroid itself
- At small periods, the impact of this parameter on performance becomes saturated
- **Inset plot identifies the point where no correction is required and 50 μm resolution is obtained**

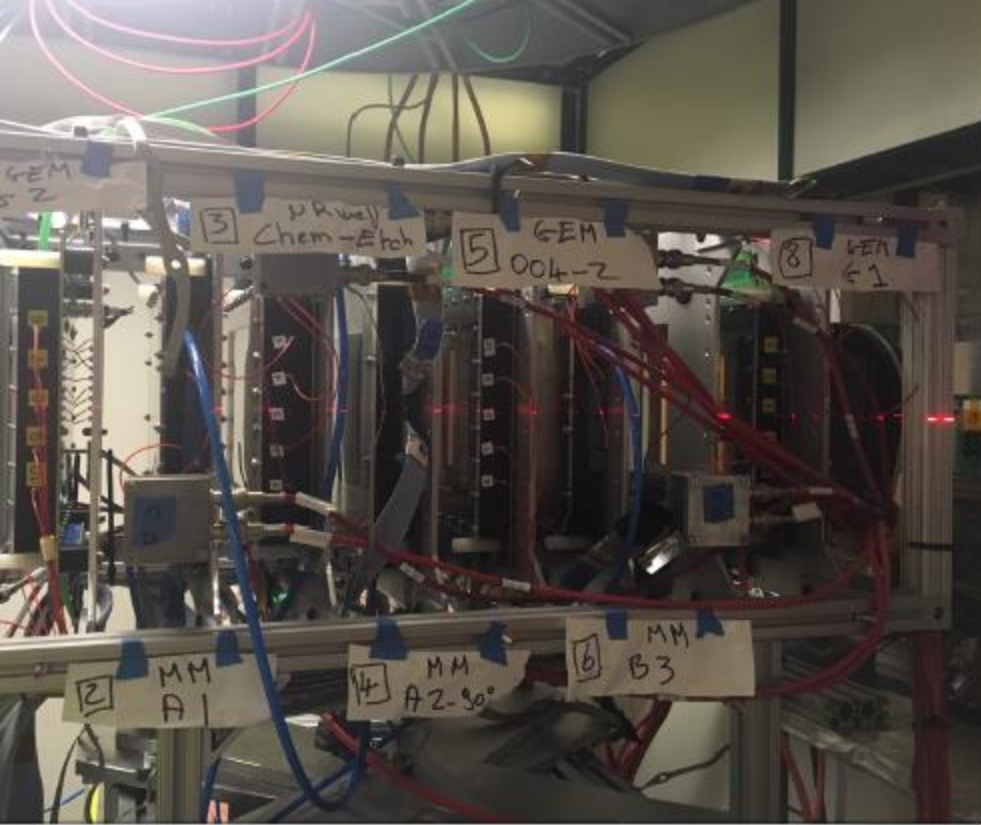
1D improvement for short:

We have idea to avoid short between strip at low angle crossing: it work !

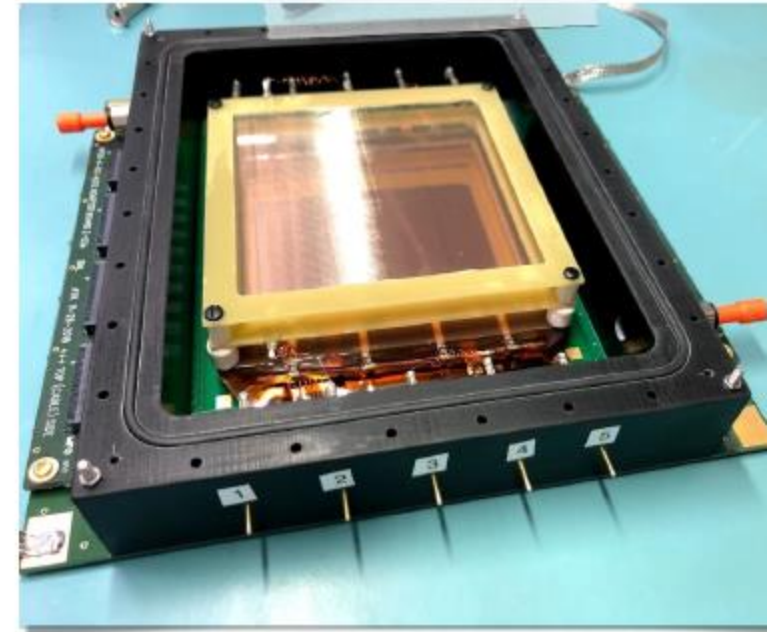


Over shooting the laser path improve greatly electrical insulation between zigzag strips



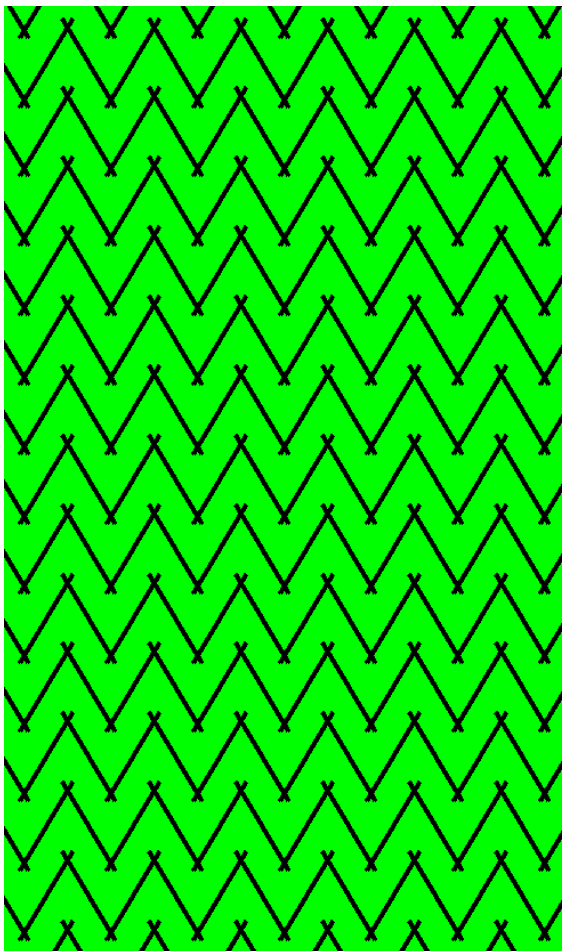


Different GEM/MM/uRW detectors are mounted on different boards, into a particular slot of the aqua filled with a certain kind of gas



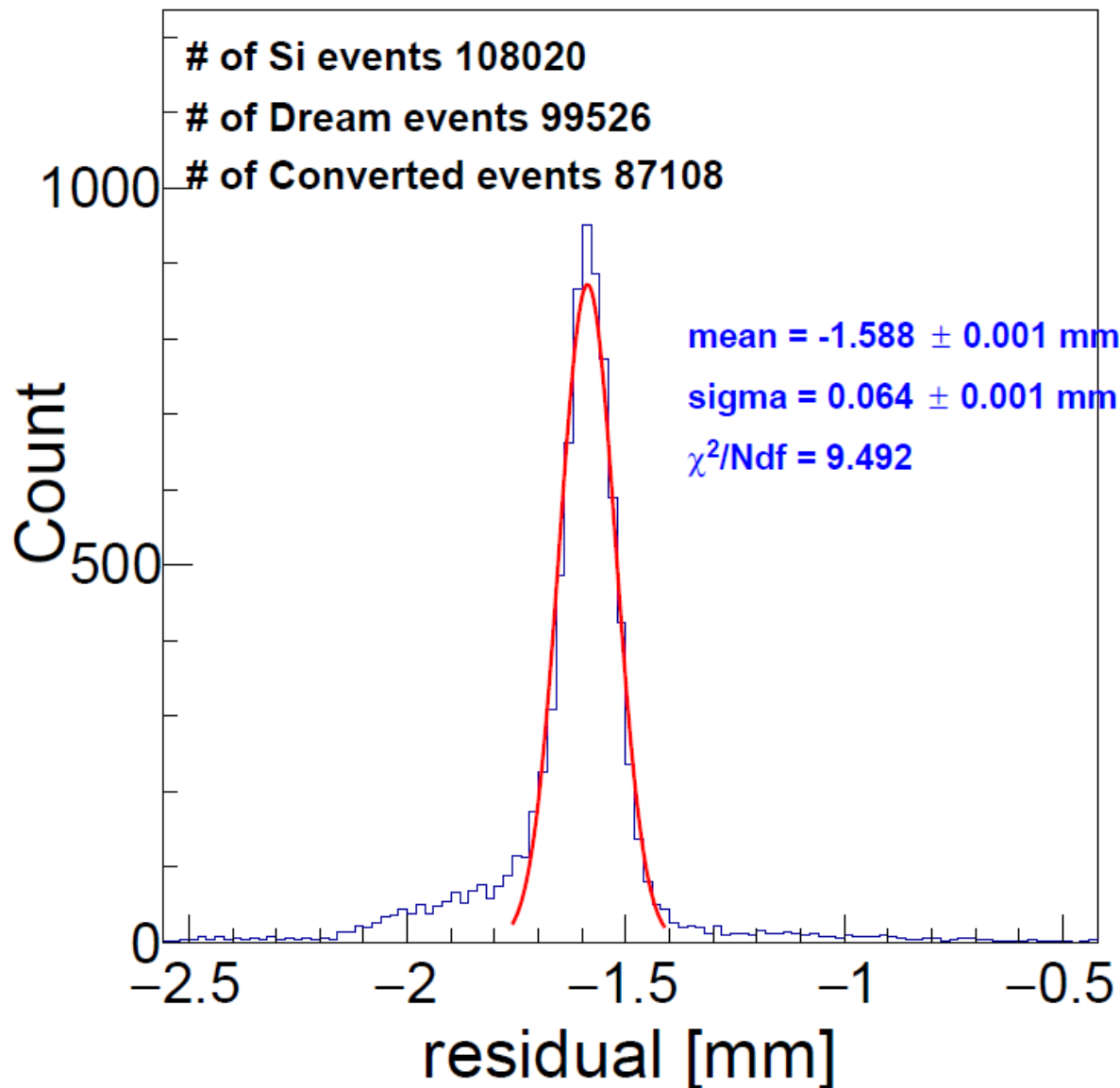
Slot # Gas Detector

0	0	
1	0	ArCO2_7030 GEM G2 Elvia 2018
2	0	ArCO2_7030 MM A1 - Flow AS3 - New Gas - Drift change from 5mm to 12.4mm
3	0	ArCO2_7030 uRW #1
4	0	ArISO_9505 MM A2 Elvia 2019 drift 5mm
5	0	ArCO2_7030 GEM C2
6	0	ArISO_9505 MM A5 Elvia 2019 Resit 10 MOmh
7	0	ArISO_9505 MM TTM BNL70-2 Metal drift 5mm



Pitch 0.4 mm
Over 0.25 mm

Run1313, Chamber D1, Spot G8



Spatial resolution result for different MPGD (2 mm pitch) $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$ for GEM, $\sim 140 \mu\text{m}$ for Micromegas

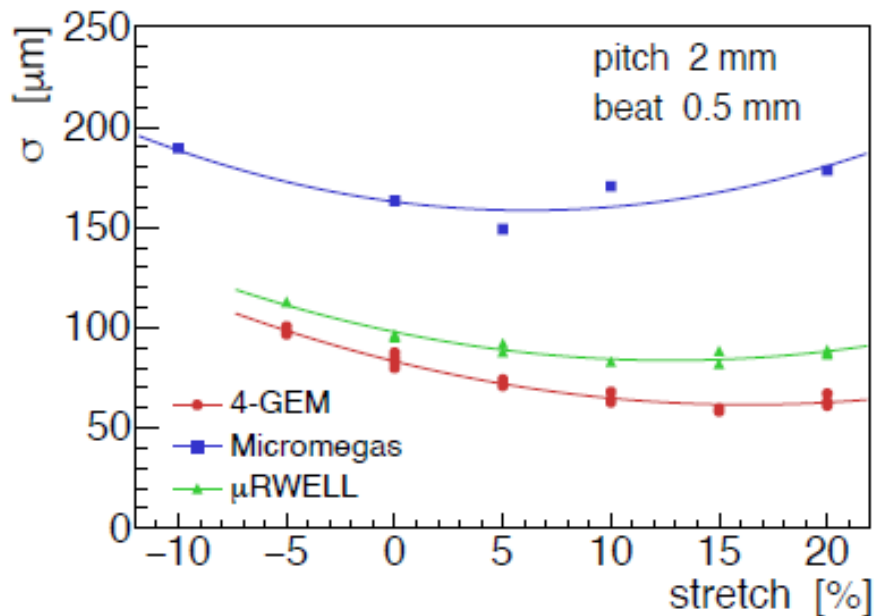


Fig1: Initial residual (Cluster X - Silicon X) width as a function of geometric stretch for a particular zigzag anode pitch (2mm) and beat (0.5mm) showing the response for 4-GEM, Micromegas and uRWELL detectors working under ArCO27030.

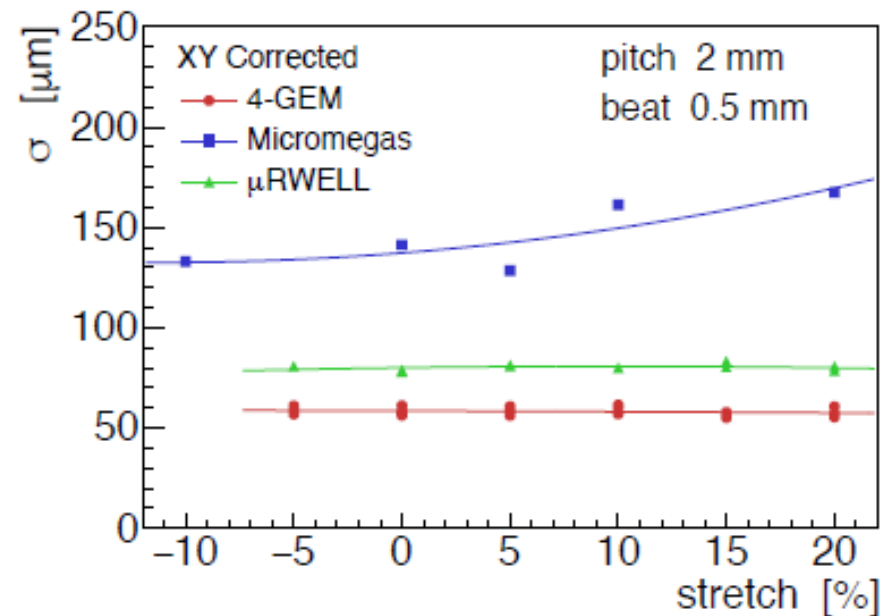


Fig2: Achievable residual width after non-linear corrections as a function of geometric stretch for a particular zigzag anode pitch (2mm) and beat (0.5mm) showing the response for 4-GEM, Micromegas and uRWELL detectors working under ArCO27030.

Also tested during beam test was classic chemical etching zigzag strip ($\sim 75 \mu\text{m}$)

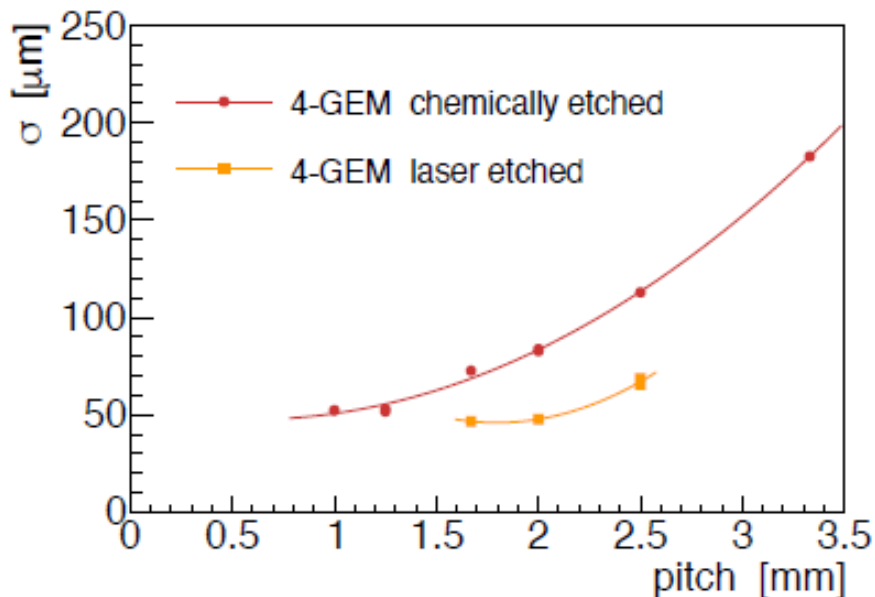


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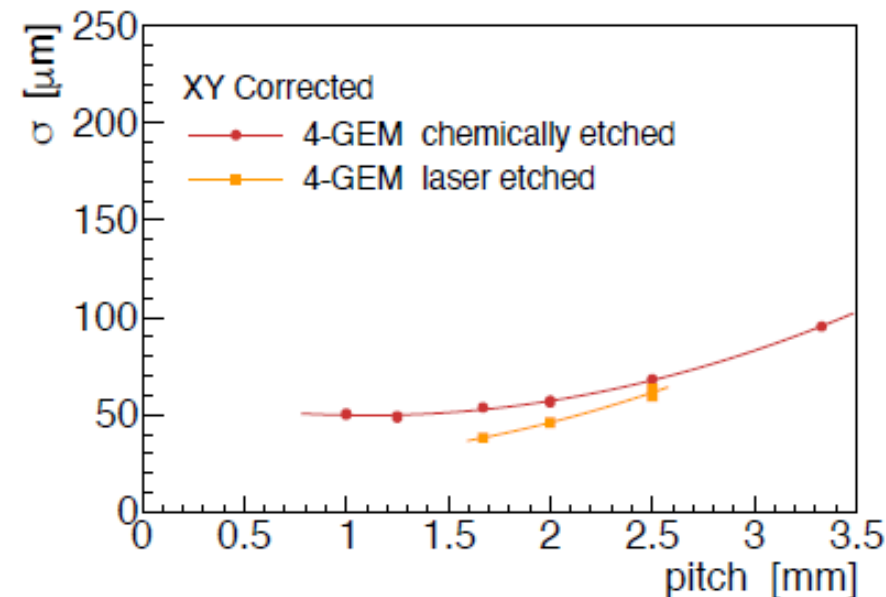
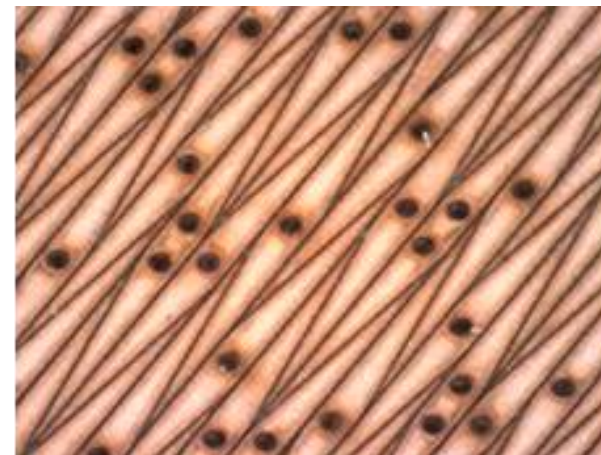
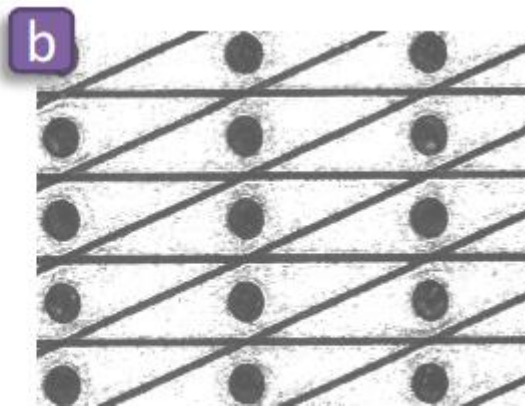
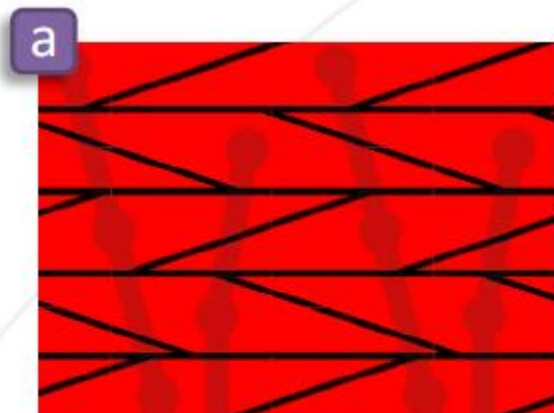
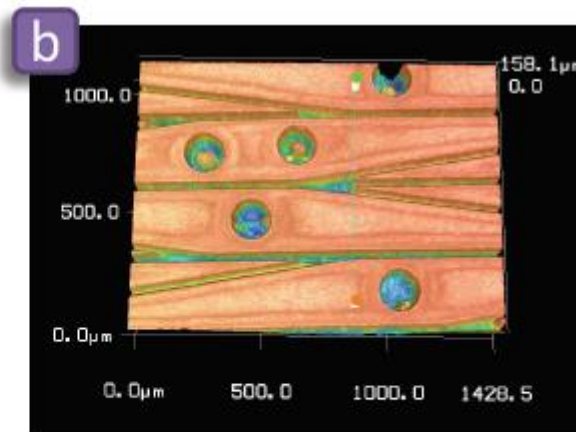
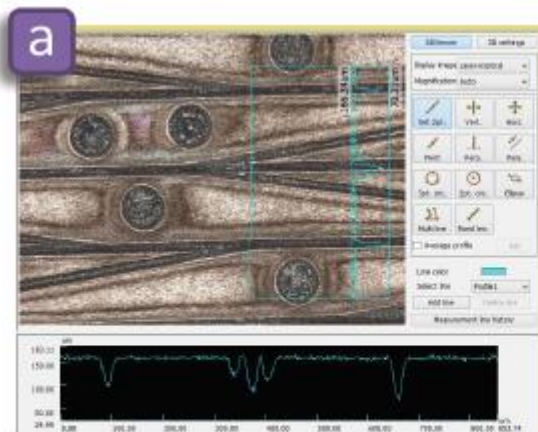


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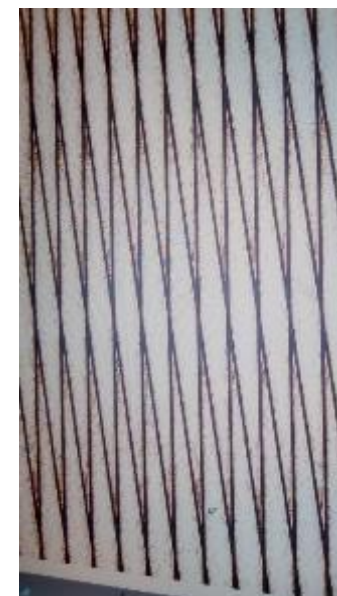
Future is in 2D



2D Zigzag strips : Diamond design with Gerber view (a) and prototype board (b)



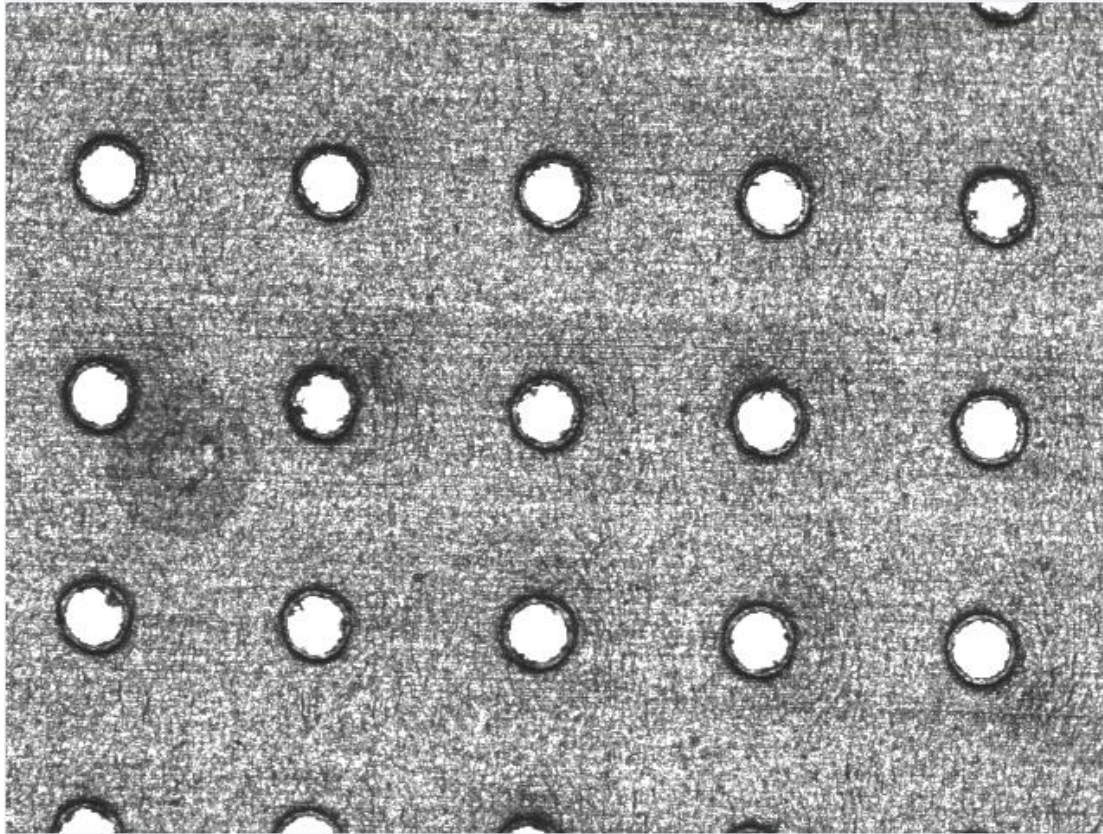
Diamond prototype board view and profile using a confocal microscope (a) and 3D reconstruction of the image (b)



For next test:

- Micromegas zigzag active area: $40 \times 40 \text{ cm}^2$ (256 channels)
 - Laser etched with $25 \mu\text{m}$ inter
 - Chemical etched with $70 \mu\text{m}$ inter
 - Resistive area (1 to 10 M Ω /sq)
 - Goal is to curve a micromegas for a tracker prototype.
- 2D zigzag (diamond pixel)
 - GEM (classic and resistive)
 - Micromegas (classic and resistive)

The laser was used to try holes of thin stretched foil = make your mesh



25 μm holes on 10 micron copper foil

More test should be done with chemical cleaning after laser
Open possibilities for thin mesh or ad hoc mesh for IBF issues



Mesh 45/20 on 10 μm aluminum foil

- Laser etching of copper on FR4 is possible
 - If copper thickness low (i.e 9 μm) = easy
 - If Cu with recharge then more delicate
- Laser can be use for other R&D
 - HOLES FOR MESH, MESH SEGMENTATION
- zigzag laser et chemical are almost identical
 - Forget about laser ?
- Zigzag allows a reduction of ~ 4 of the number of channels for the same spatial resolution
 - Try it, ask Rui for a zigzag board !

END

Thank you

Be Zigzag 😊

Testbeam data comparative analysis

