

Micropattern Gas Detectors

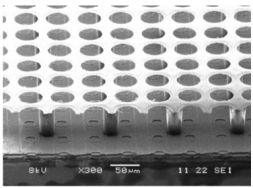
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Vertex 2008, Utö, Sweden

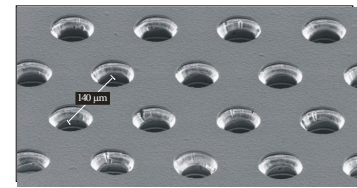


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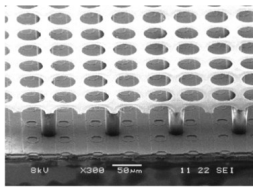
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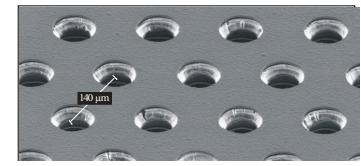
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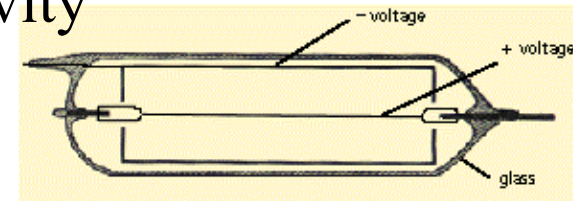
History of Gaseous Detectors



1908: First wire Counter

used by Rutherford in the Study of natural radioactivity

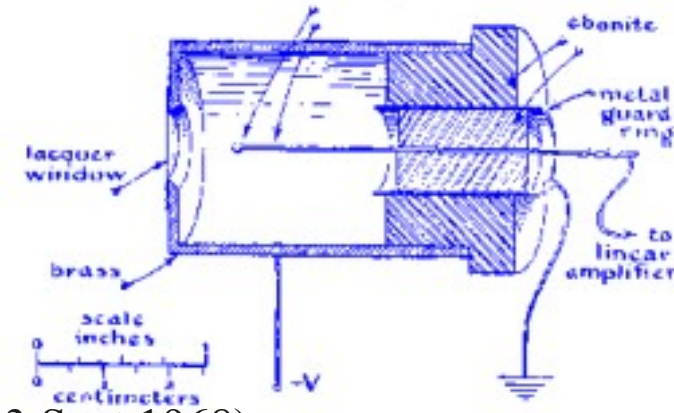
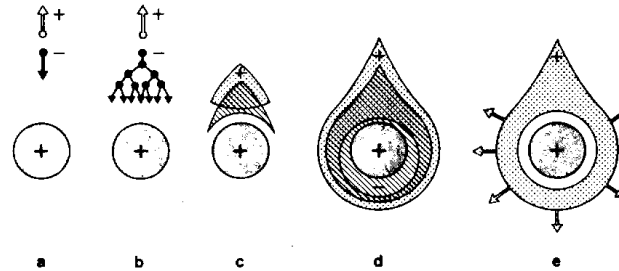
E. Rutherford and H. Geiger, Proc. Royal Soc. A81 (1908) 141



1928: Geiger-Müller Counter - single Electron sensitivity

H. Geiger and W. Müller, Phys. Zeits. 29 (1928) 839

1945: Proportional tubes



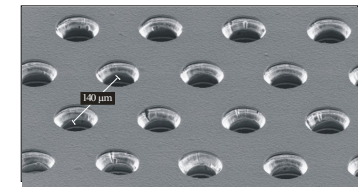
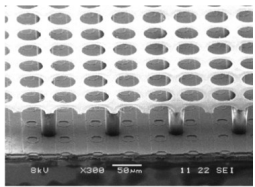
1967: Multi-wire Proportional chambers

G. Charpak, Proc. Int. Symp. Nuclear Electronics (Versailles 10-13 Sept 1968)

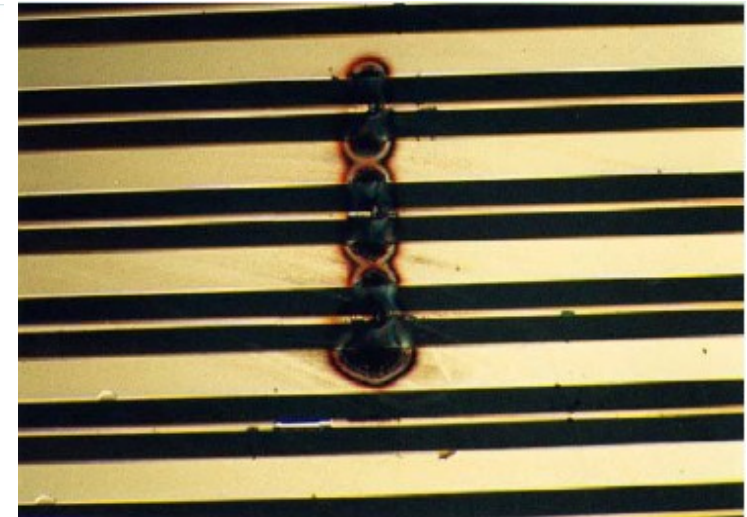
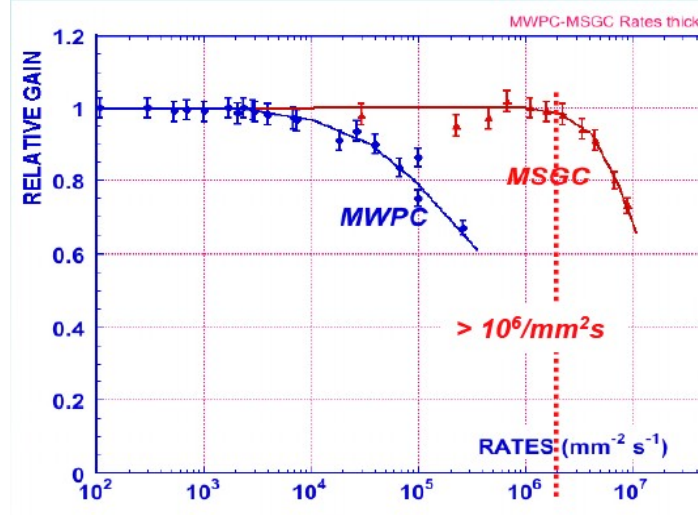
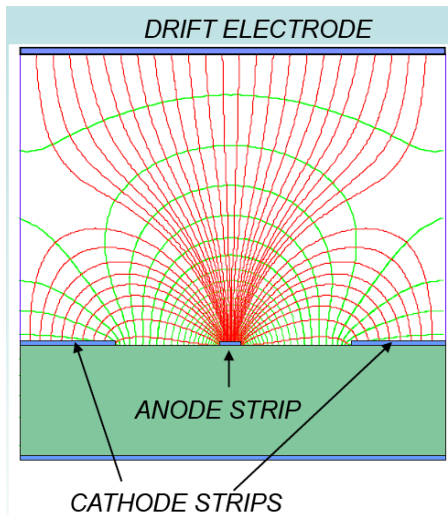
1974 Time Projection Chambers

D. R. Nygren, LBL Internal Report (Feb. 1974)

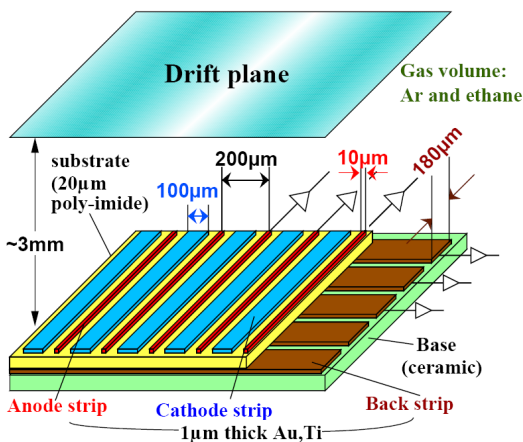
Historic Overview MPGD



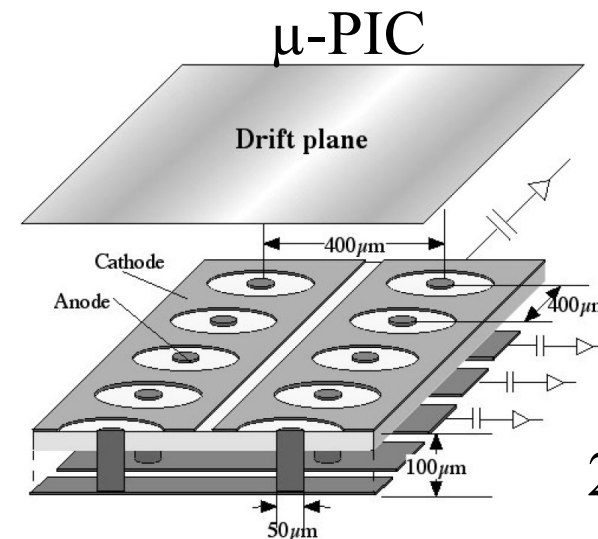
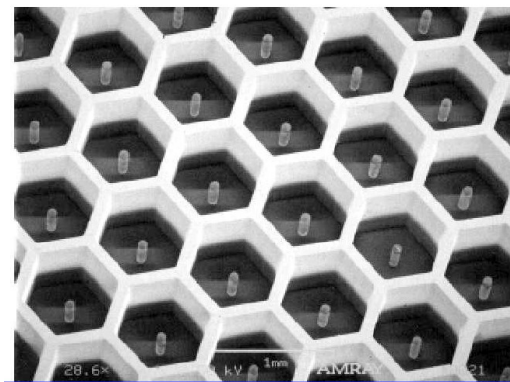
In 1988 A. Oed introduced the age of micro pattern gas detectors.



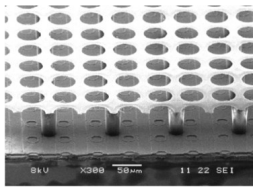
Many new geometries were tested, ...



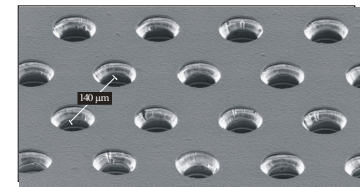
MICRO-PIN ARRAY (MIPA)



but only 2 prevailed

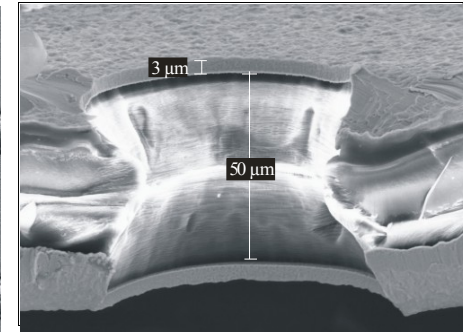
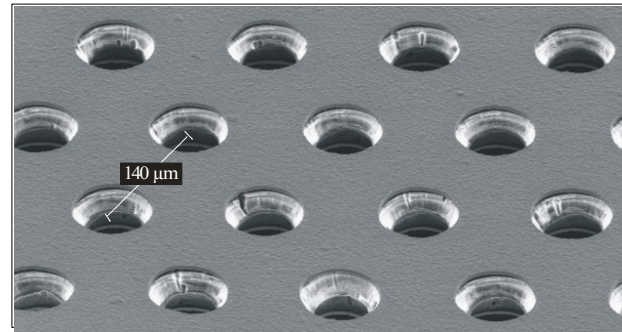
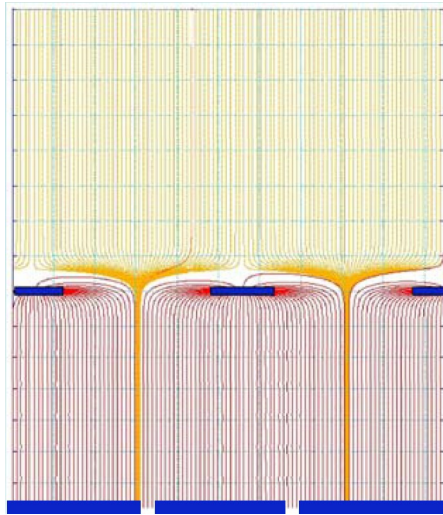
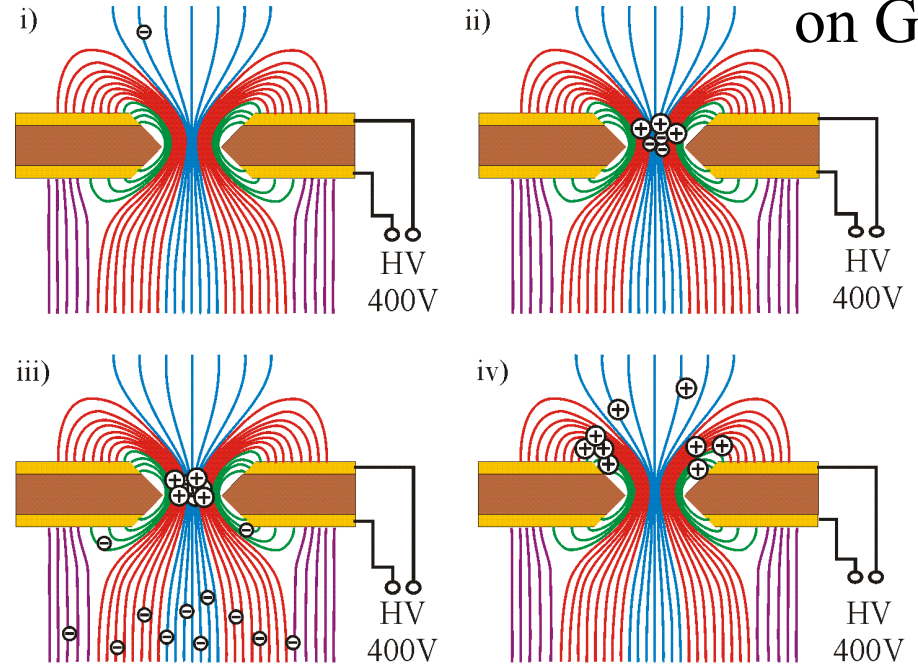
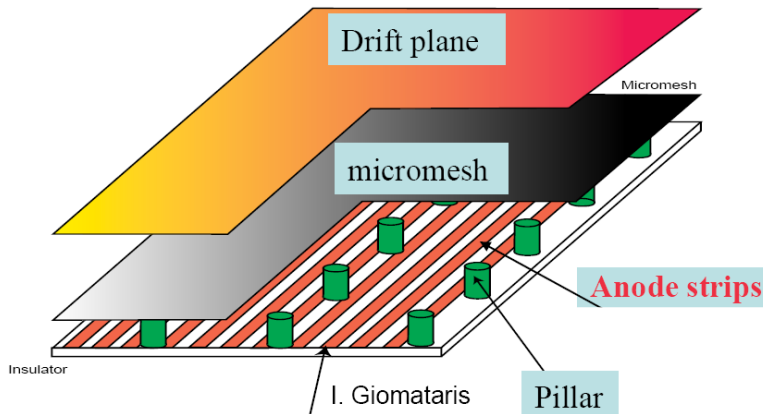


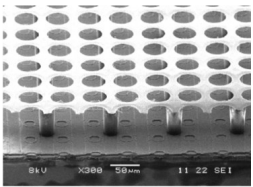
The 2 Favorites: Micromegas & GEMs



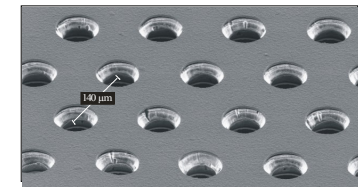
1996 first publication of MM

1997 F. Sauli publishes first paper on GEMs



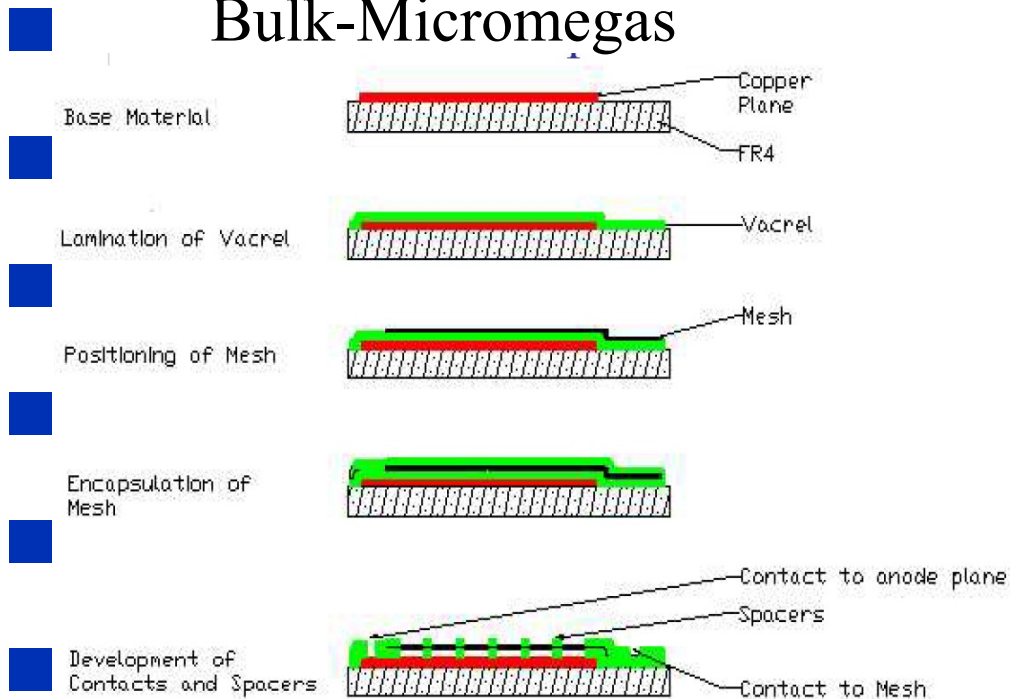


Micromegas



$B = 5 \text{ T}$ $D_T = 19 \mu\text{m}/\sqrt{\text{cm}}$
M. Dixit et al., NIM581(2007)254-257

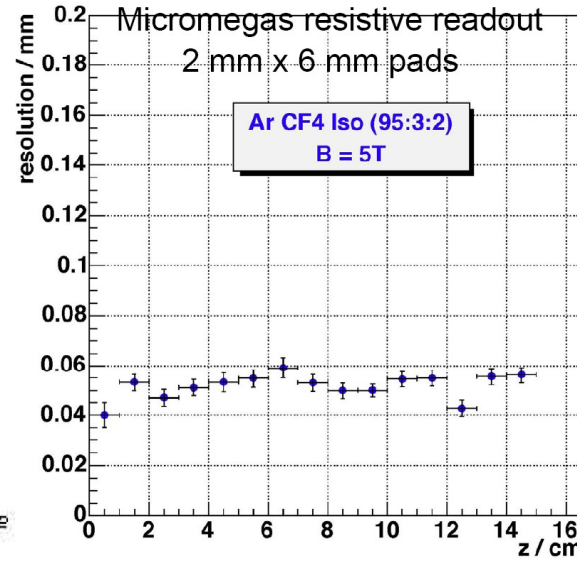
Bulk-Micromegas



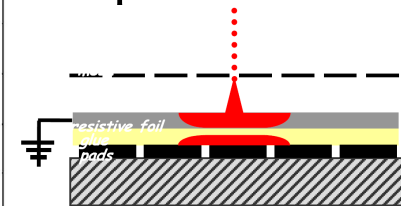
Bulk Micromegas obtained by lamination of a woven grid on an anode with a photo-imageable film

large area and robustness
easy implementation
low cost
industrial process

T2K Micromegas TPC:
 about 12 m² detector surface

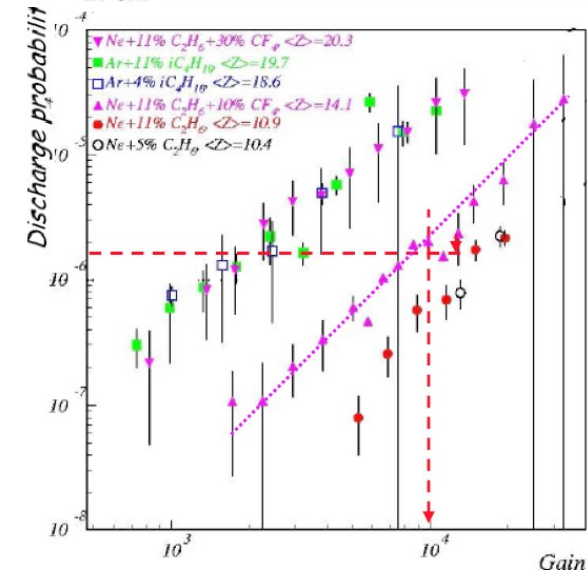


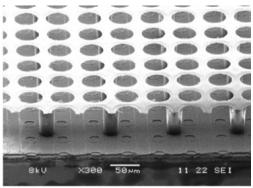
Cover readout pads with resistive foil to broaden signal shape



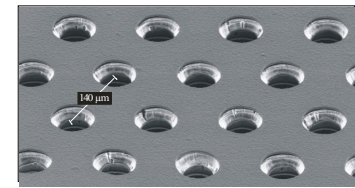
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discharge probability
 at COMPASS tracker:
 $\sim 10^{-6}$

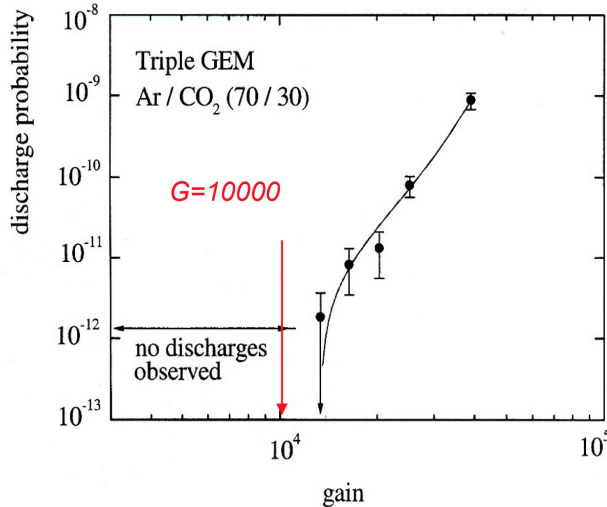




GEMs

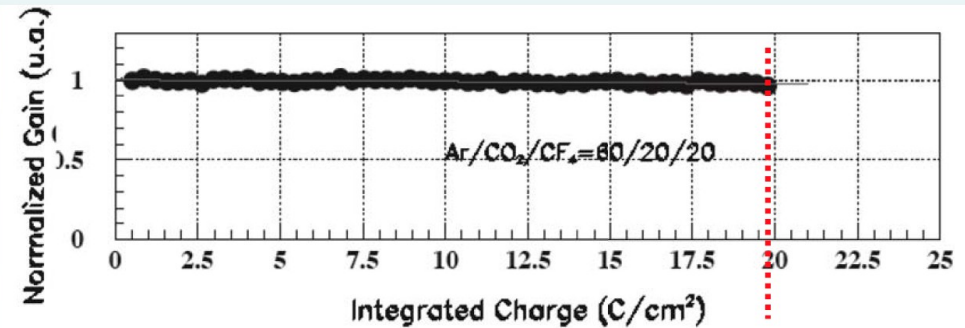


A large number of experiments have led to a fair understanding of the enormous parameter space in GEM-detectors.



discharge probability at COMPASS tracker: $<10^{-12}$

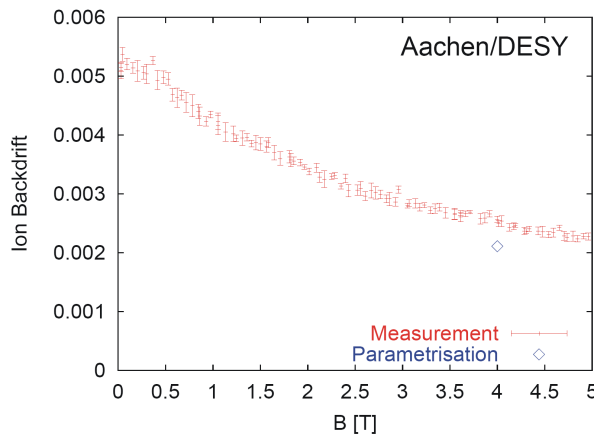
GEM RADIATION HARDNESS:



M. Alfonsi et al, NIMA518(2004)106

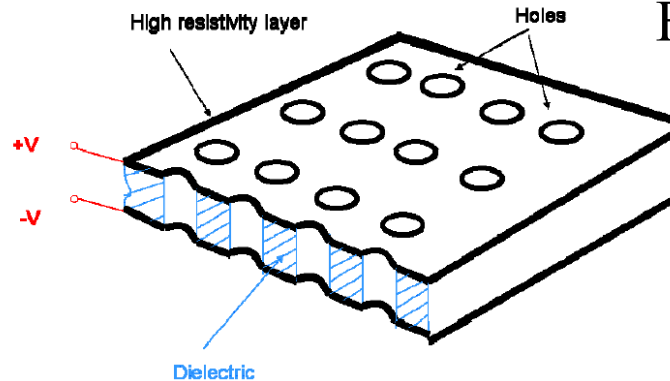
20 C/cm^2
 $\sim 4 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ MIPS cm}^2$

low ion backflow



There are many modifications e.g. the RETGEMs

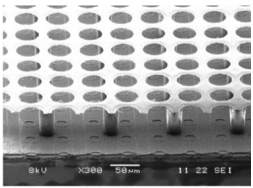
Fully spark protected detector



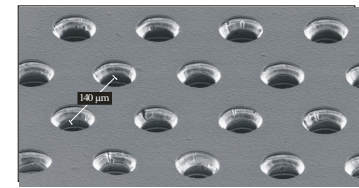
geom. and elec. characteristics:
0.3-0.8 mm, pitch 0.7- 1.2 mm,
thickness 0.5-2 mm.

Resistivity: 200-800kΩ/cm

Kapton type: 100XC10E

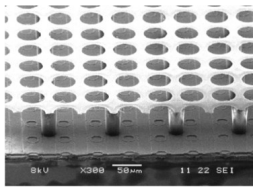


Advantages of MPGD

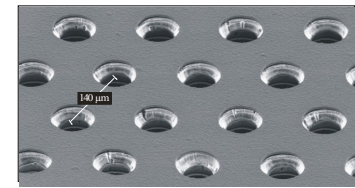


- **ion backflow** can be reduced significantly
=> continuous readout is possible
- **small pitch** of gas amplification regions (i.e. holes)
=> strong reduction of ExB-effects
- **no preference in direction** (as with wires)
=> all 2 dim. readout geometries can be used
- **no ion tail** => very fast signal ($O(10\text{ns})$)
=> good timing and double track resolution
- **no induced signal**, but direct e^- -collection
=> small transverse width
=> good double track resolution

Applications in thin tracking devices - e.g. COMPASS
photon detection – e.g. CAST, Weizmann Institute
large volume drift chambers – e.g. TPC



COMPASS Upgrade



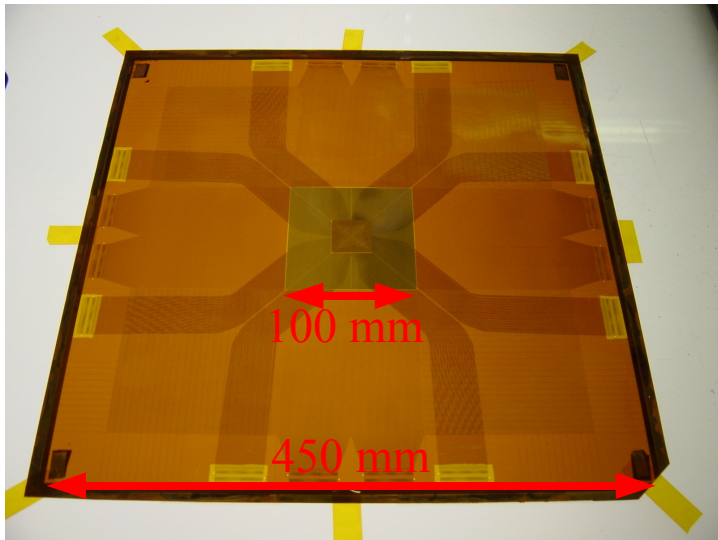
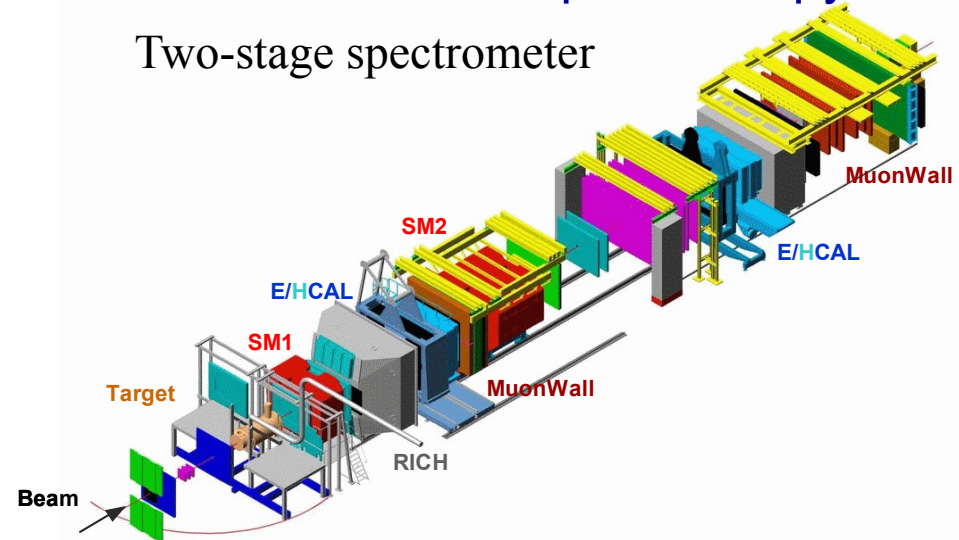
COmmon Muon and Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy

Plans to upgrade the detector for 2008

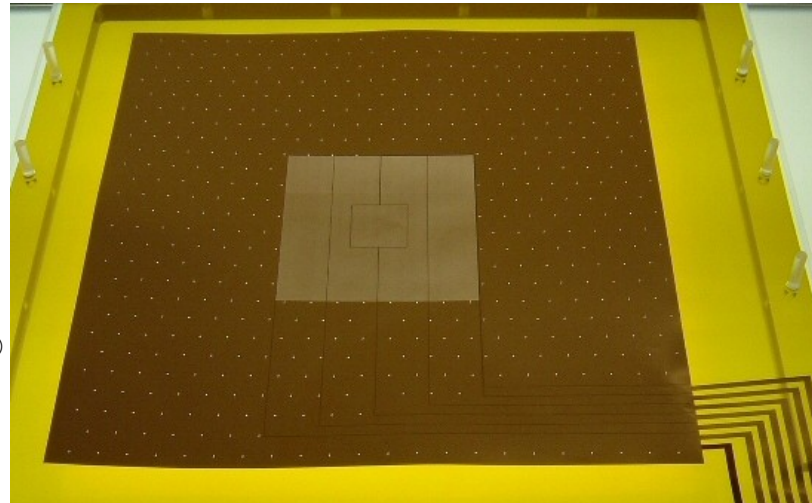
beam tracking with GEM detectors:

- GEM material budget 0.4% X_0
- beam rate $2 \cdot 10^7 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- rate capability $> 10^5 \text{ mm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Two-stage spectrometer



Gas: Ar/CO₂ (70/30)

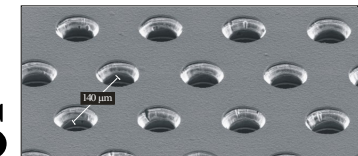
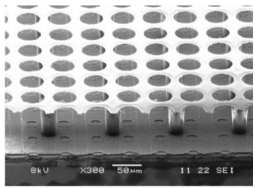


discharge prevention:

- triple GEM
- asymmetric gain sharing
- segmented GEM foils

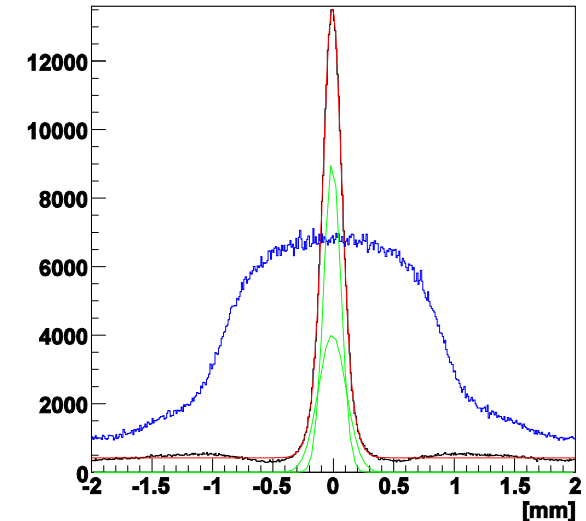
- 3-layer PCB, 100mm APICAL®
- center: 32×32 pixels, 1 mm²
- periphery: 2×512 strips (2D)

COMPASS Beam Test Results

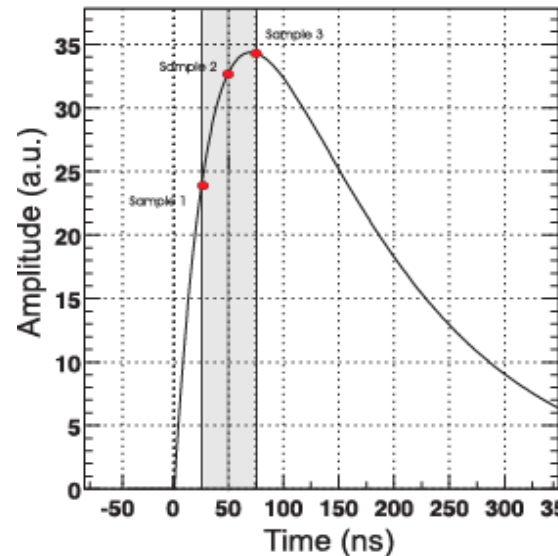


- beam test at CERN
- 160 GeV/c muons
- intensity $4.2 \cdot 10^7/s$
- up to $1.2 \cdot 10^5 /mm^2/s$
- 190 GeV/c π
- intensity $10^6/s$
- up to $1.2 \cdot 10^4 /mm^2/s$

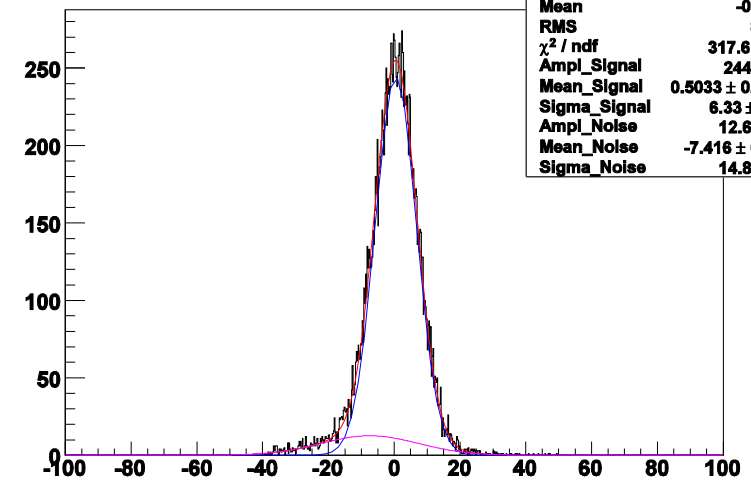
spatial resolution:
 low intensity ($4 \cdot 10^6 \mu/s$):
 90 μm
 high intensity ($5 \cdot 10^7 \mu/s$):
 135 μm
efficiency: 96% -98.5%



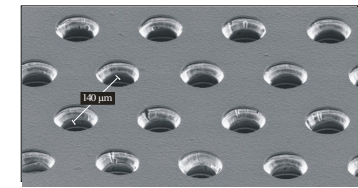
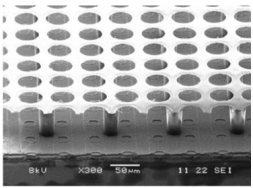
- time residuals:
- 3 samples of rising edge
- t_0 reconstructed from known pulse shape
- low intensity ($4 \cdot 10^6 \mu/s$):
6.3 ns
- high intensity ($5 \cdot 10^7 \mu/s$):
7.3 ns



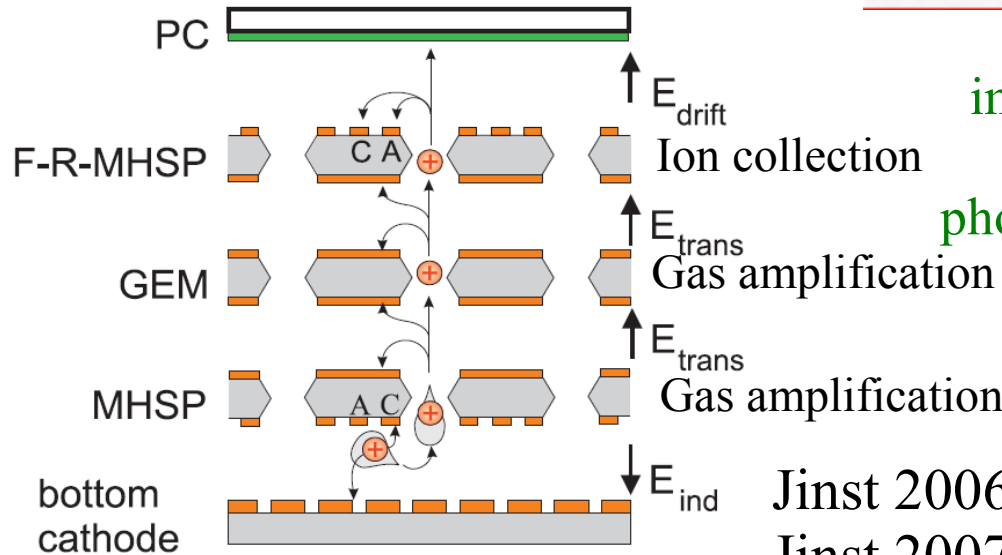
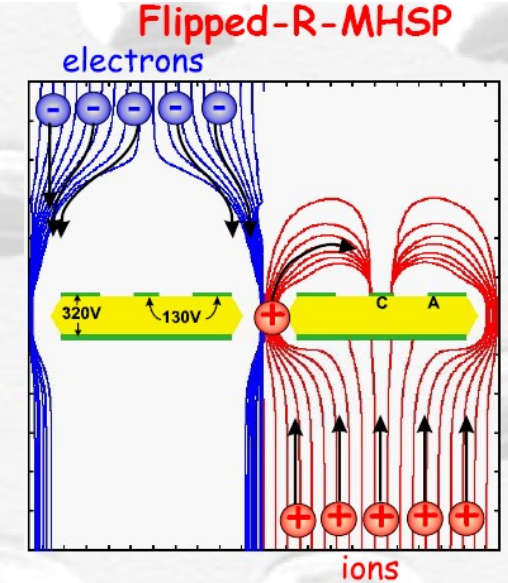
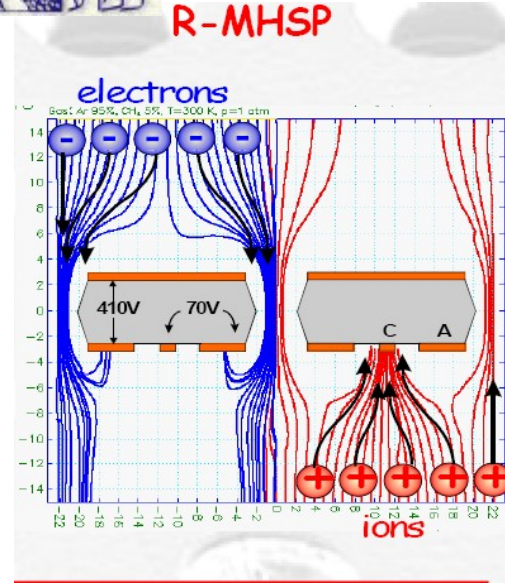
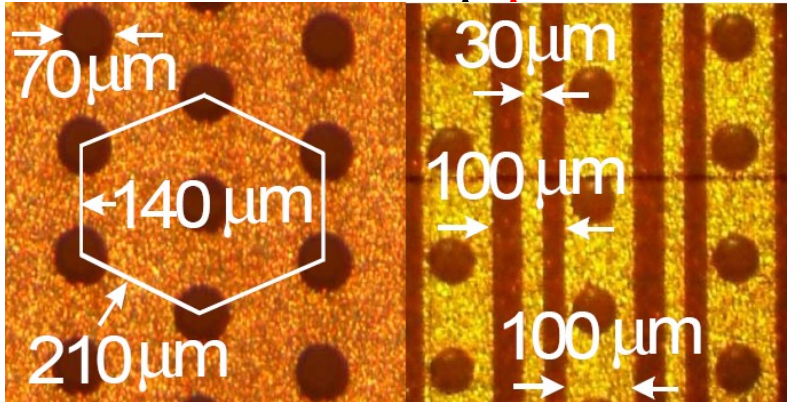
Cluster Time Residual



Reduction of Ion Backflow

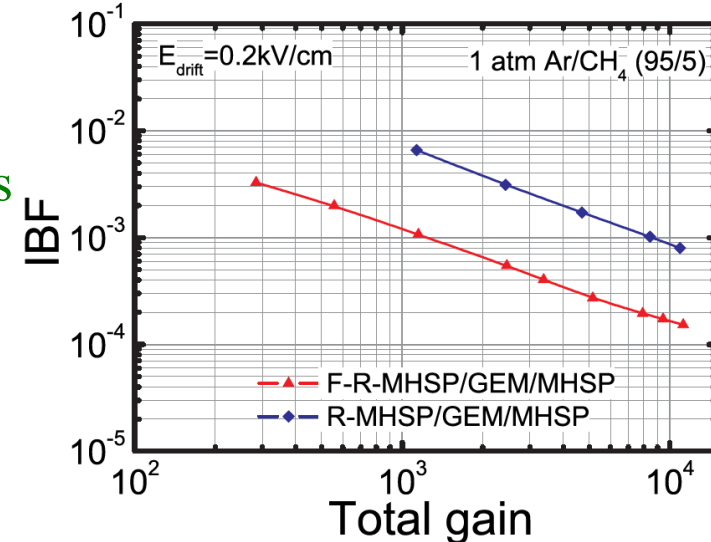


Microhole & Strip plate

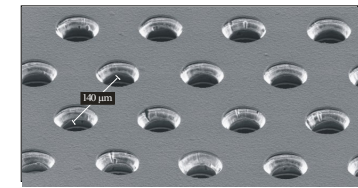
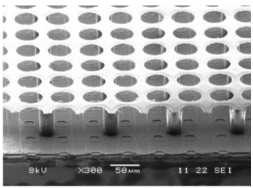


important for
TPC and
photon detectors

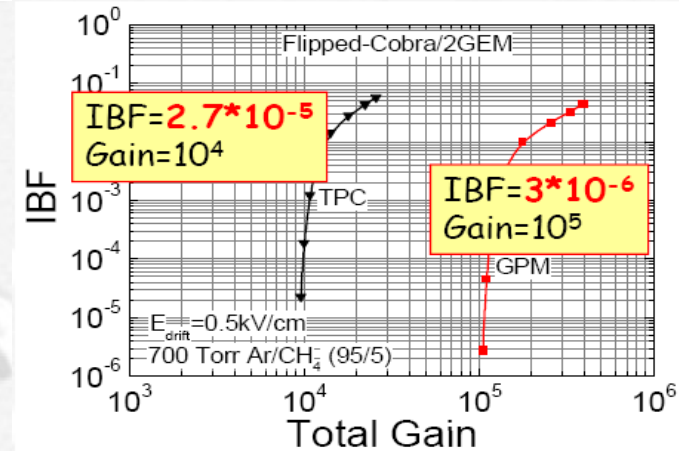
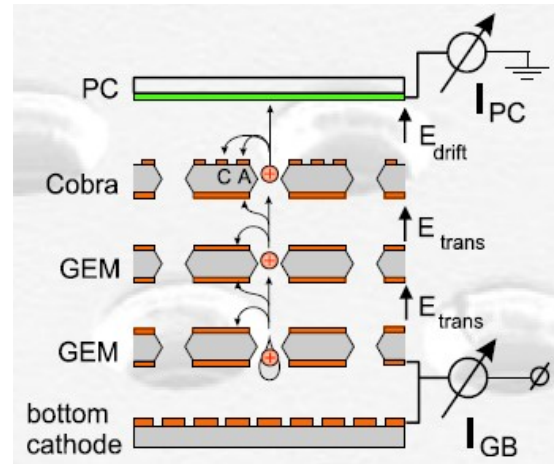
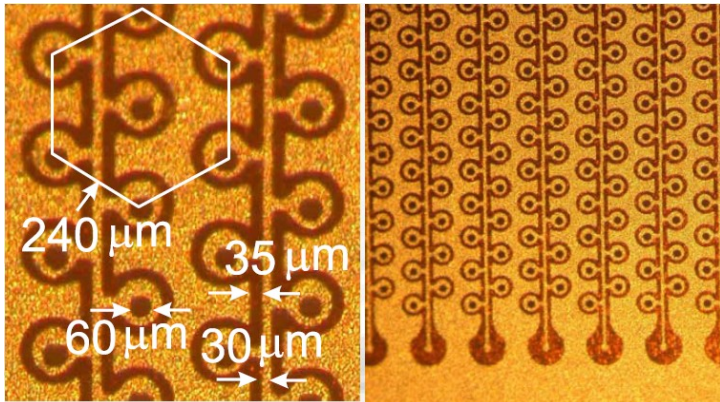
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More on Reduction of Ion Backflow

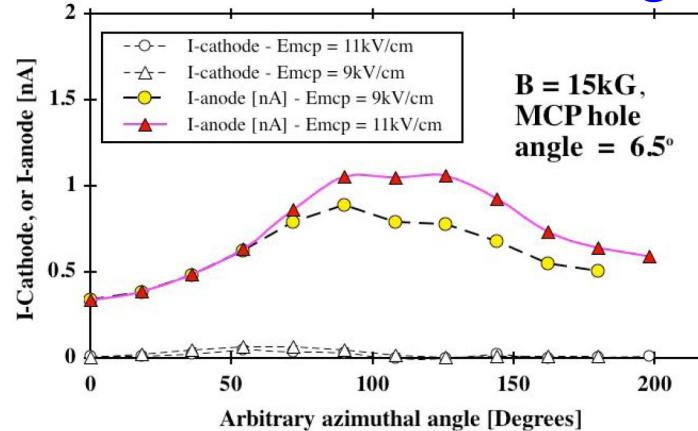
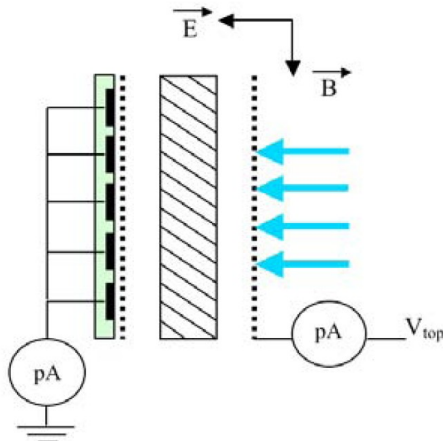


COBRA



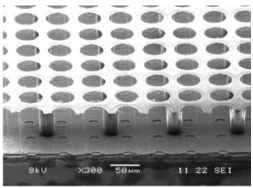
Ion backflow = 0.0027%
electron collection efficiency is only 20 %

Microchannel Plates with inclined holes in magnetic fields

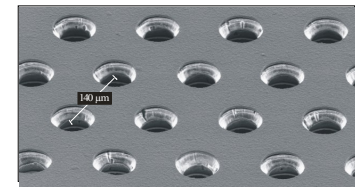


Lorentz-angle is used to neutralize ions

J. Va'vra, T. Sumiyoshi,
NIM A 553 (2005) 76-84



TPC with MPGDs



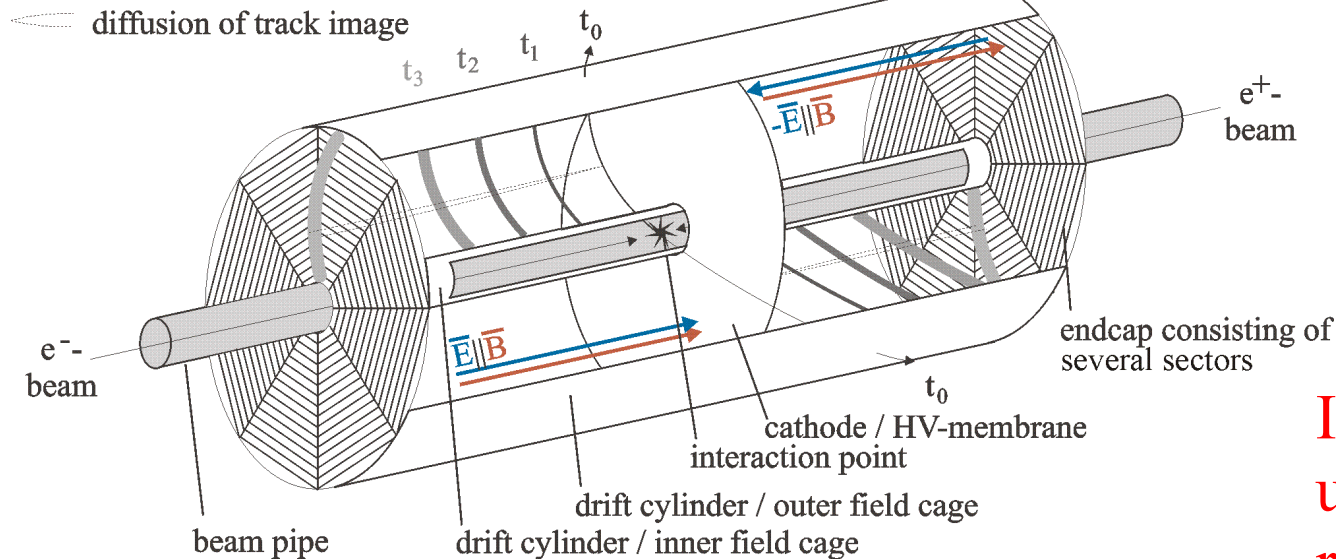
- good spatial resolution ($O(100\mu\text{m})$)
- large number of measurements (200)
- good energy resolution with dE/dx (5%)
- true 3-dimensional detector (no ambiguities)
- high granularity (10^9 voxels)
- low material budget ($3\%X_0$)
- very homogeneous (only gas)
- comparably cheap

Large number of experiments are designing and constructing TPCs with MPGD:

GEM: FOPI, PANDA, Crystal Barrel, ILC, MICE

MM: T2K, ILC

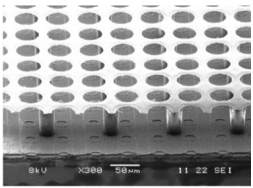
t_i track images at different times



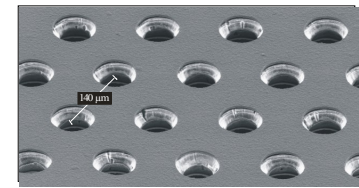
Disadvantages:

- long drift times ($40\mu\text{s}$)
- ions have to be neutralized after gas amplification
- diffusion and pad size limits spatial resolution

Improve spatial resolution:
use 'naked' CMOS pixel readout chip as anode

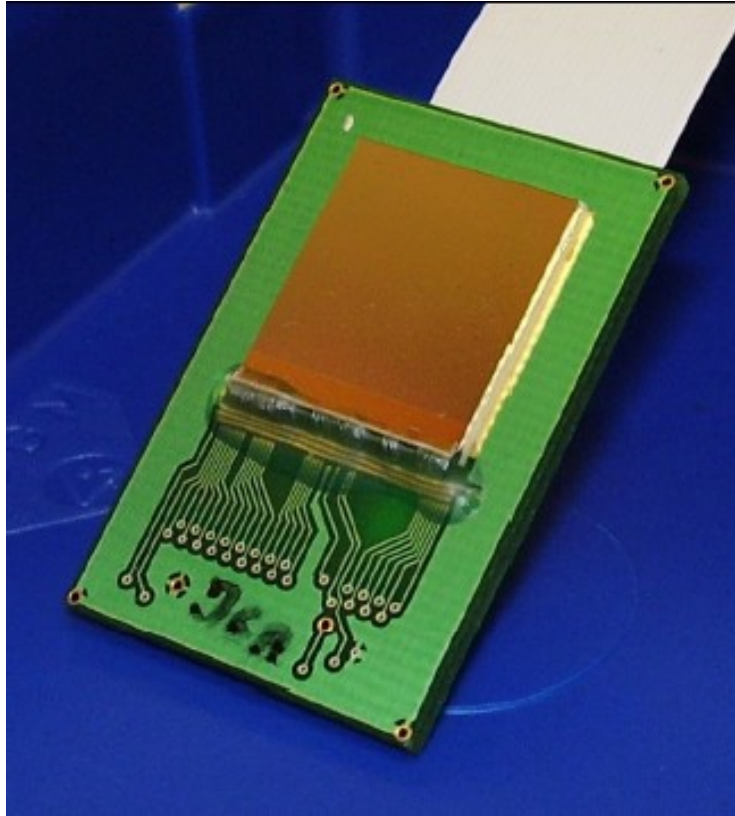


TimePix



Timepix chip (1st version) derived from MediPix-2

Available for detector tests since Nov. 2006



256 * 256 Pixel

Pixel size: 55 * 55 μm^2

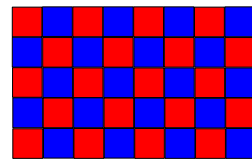
chip dimensions: 1.4 * 1.4 cm^2

Each pixel can be set to one of these modes:

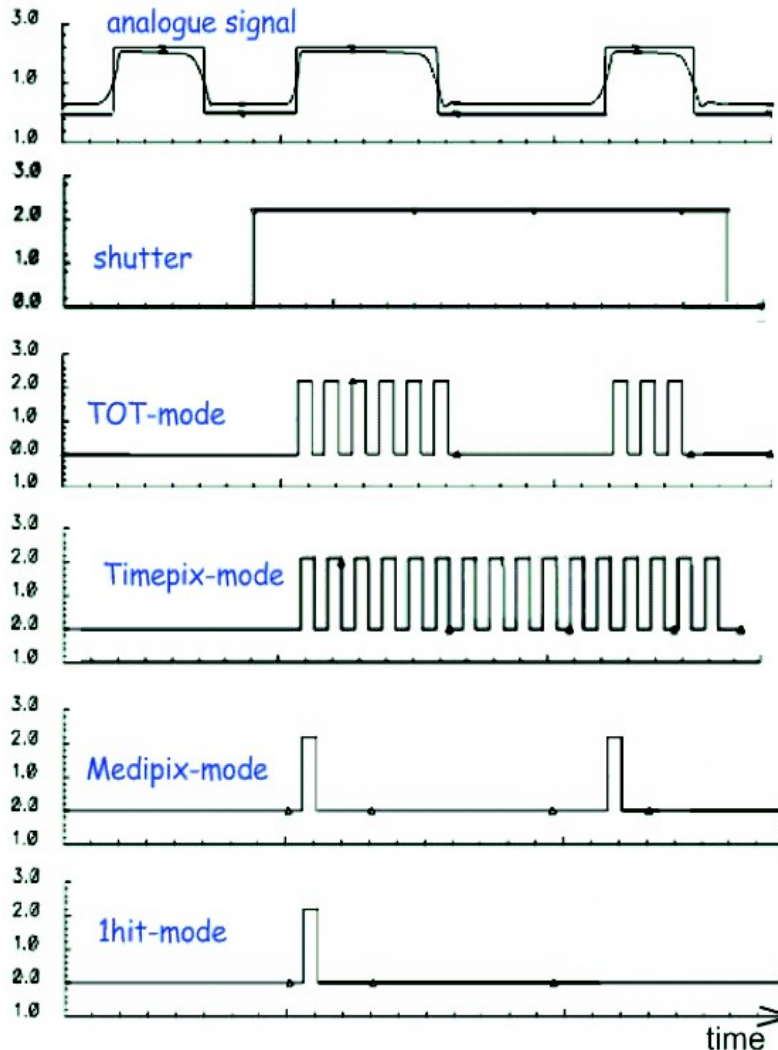
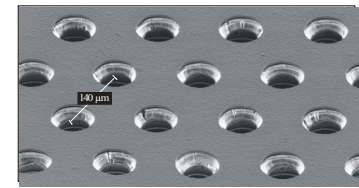
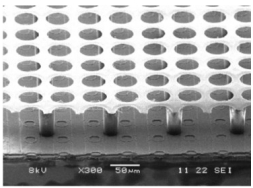
- Hit counting
- TOT = time over threshold
gives integrated charge
- Time between hit and shutter end
- Hit/no-Hit

current running condition:

checker-board pattern
of TOT and Time



TimePix working principle



output of analogue circuit

shutter: activates digital readout

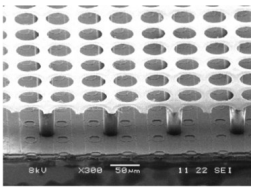
time-over-threshold: charge measurement
=> integrates over all hits

time-mode: measures time from first hit
to end of shutter

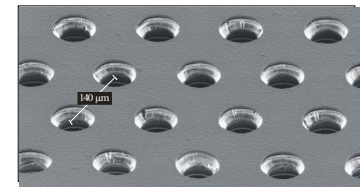
MediPix-mode: number of hits

1-hit mode: hit/no hit

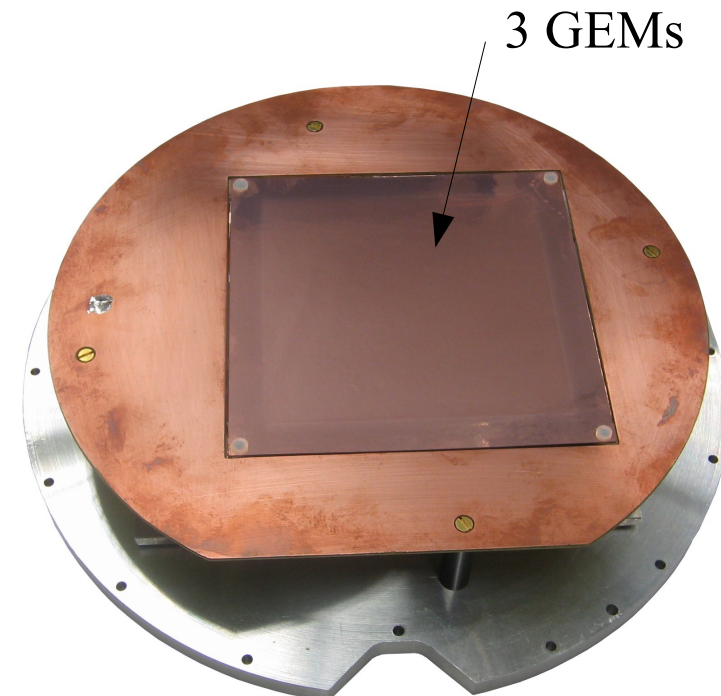
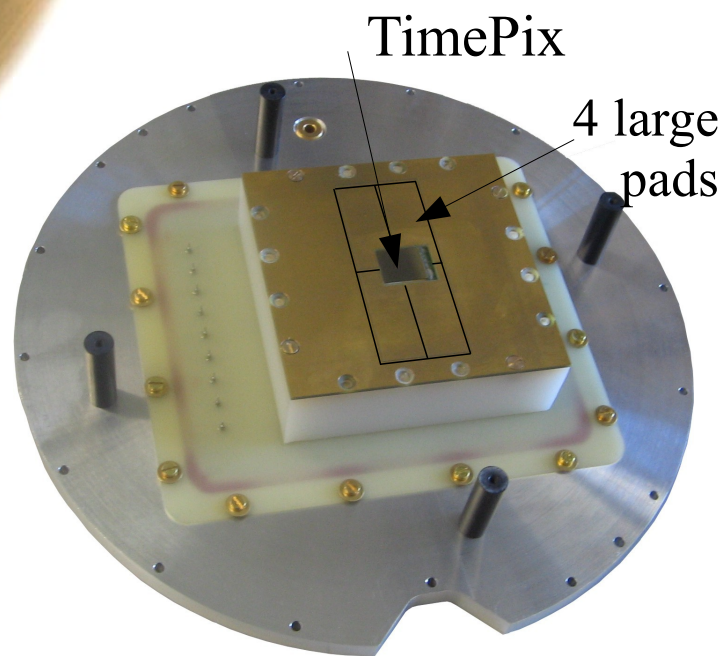
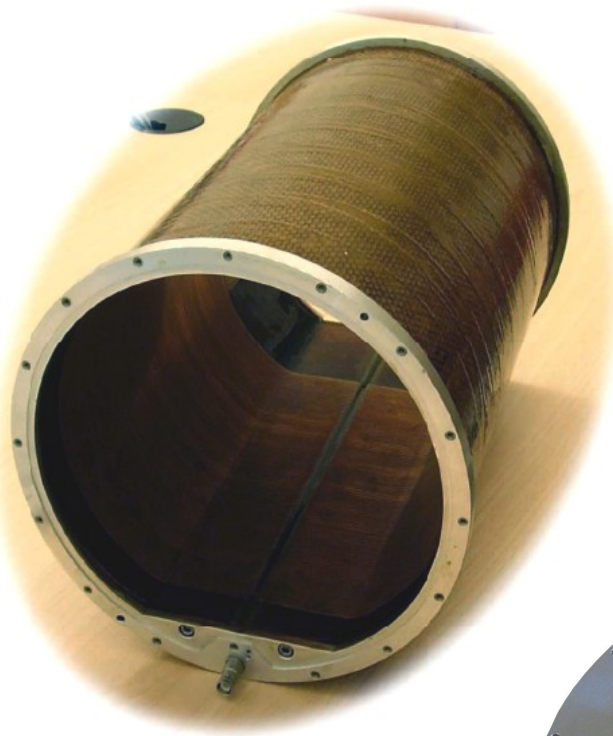
Disadvantage: not multi-hit capable



Test Detector at Bonn



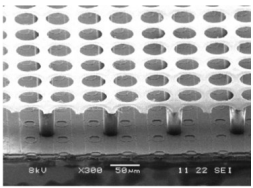
Field cage designed and produced at Aachen
drift distance: 26 cm
inner diameter: 23 cm
double layer field cage with ~ 200 field strips
material budget: 1 % X_0
up to 30 kV \Rightarrow drift field of 1 kV/cm



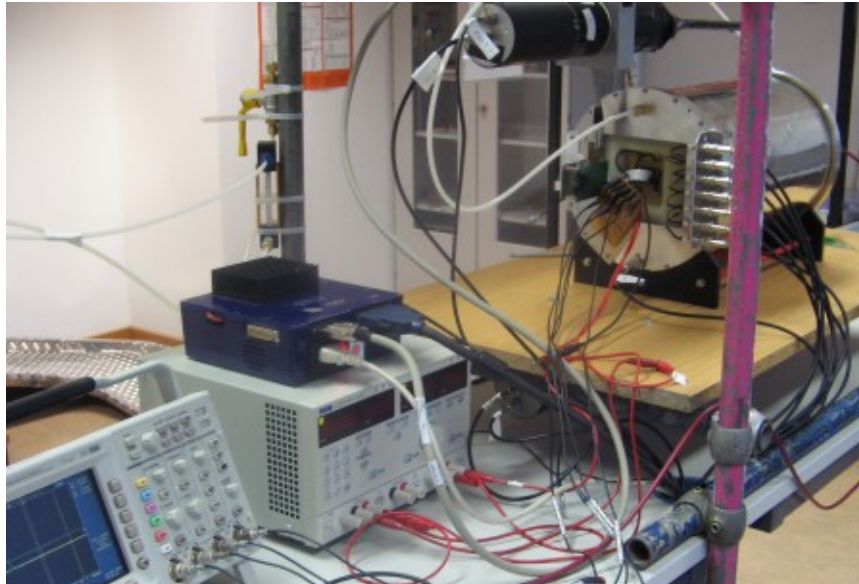
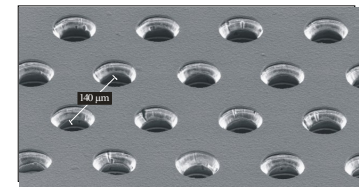
For now:

Ar : CO₂ 70:30

E_{drift} : 500 V/cm

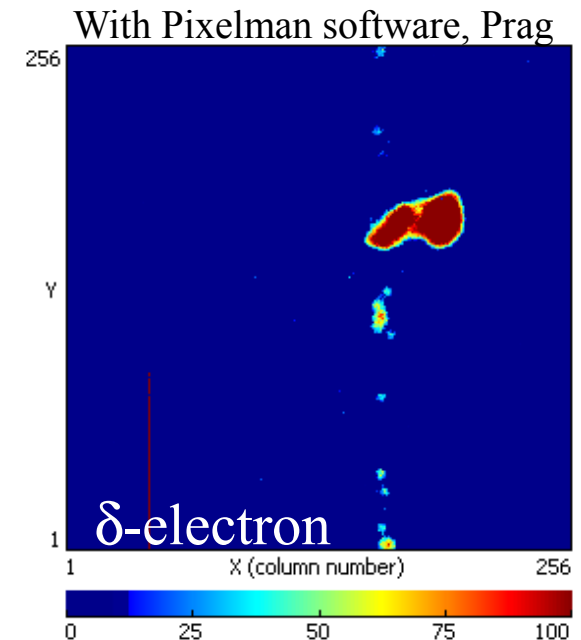
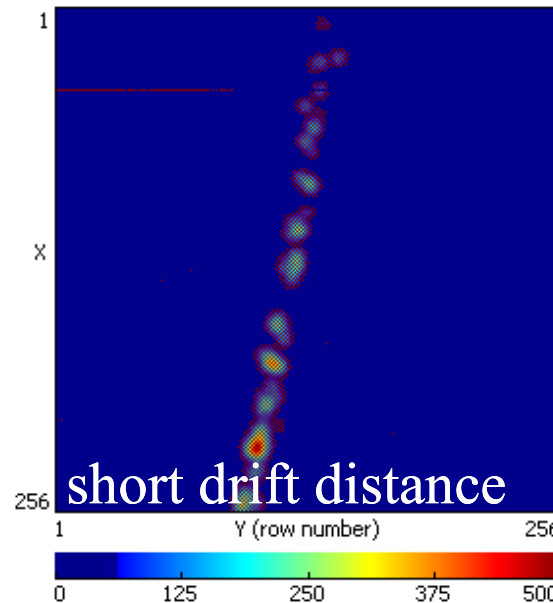
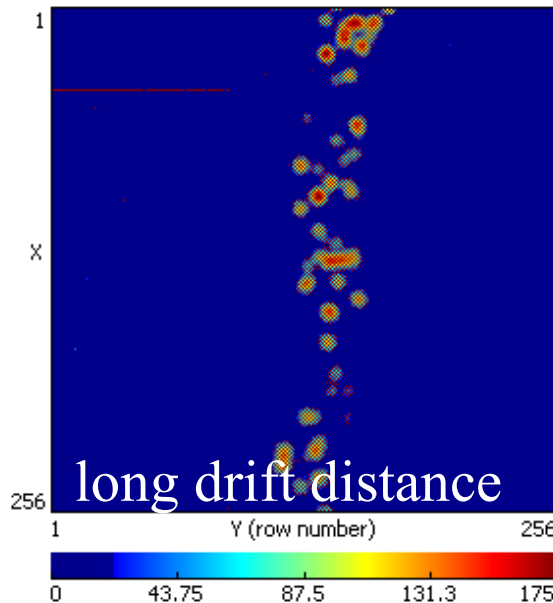


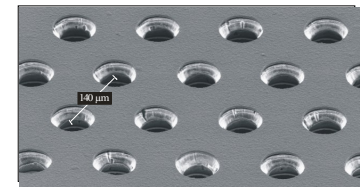
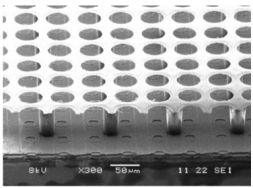
Cosmic Ray Setup



coincidence of 2 scintillators
(2 * 23 cm², 4.5* 35 cm²)
gives external start signal

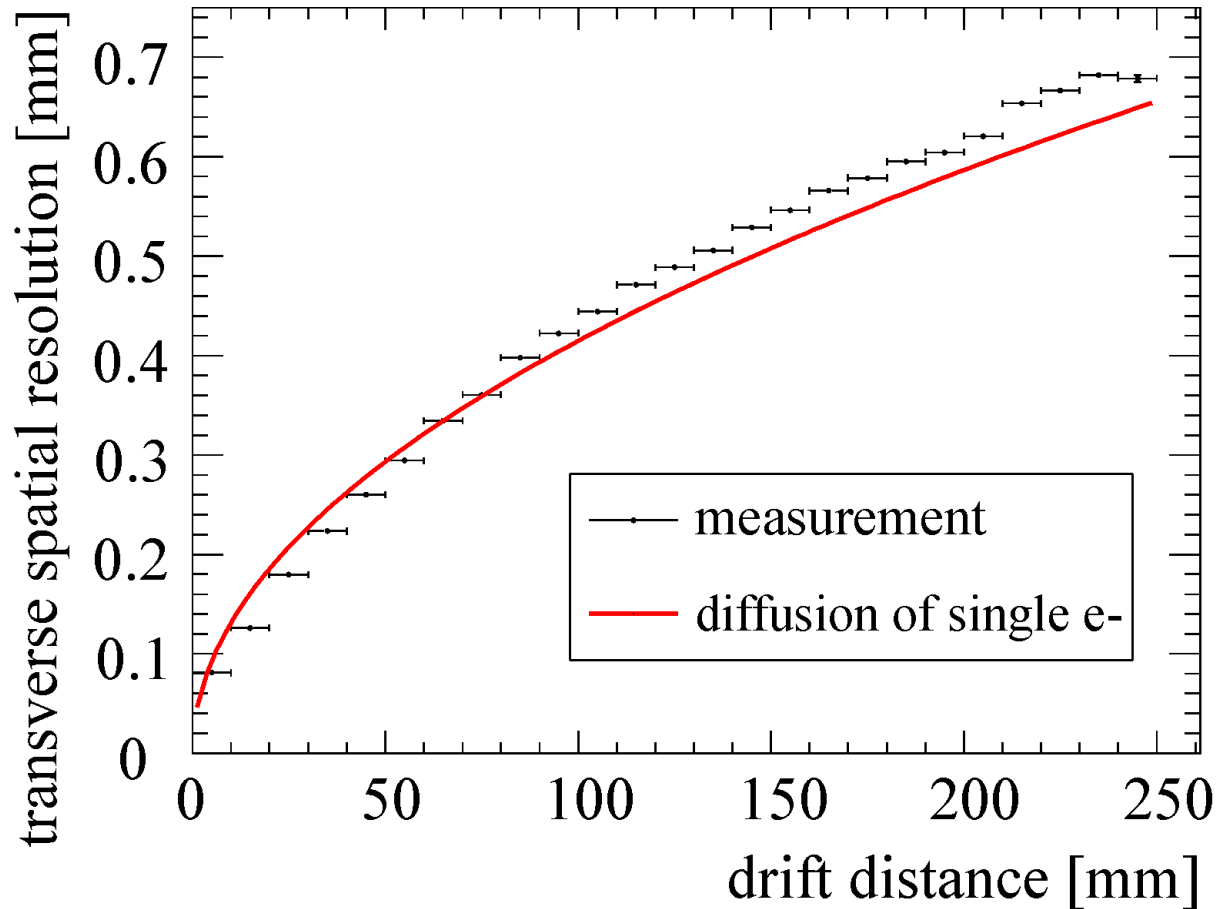
=> 40,000 tracks collected





Cosmic Ray Results

preliminary !

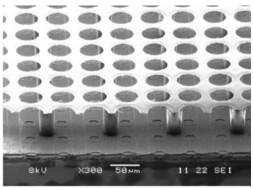


diffusion of
single e^- :

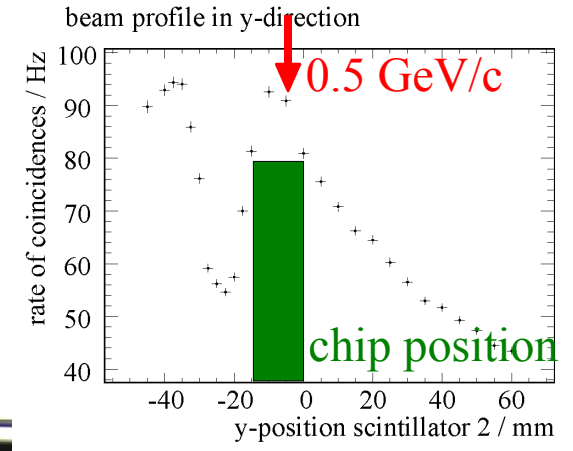
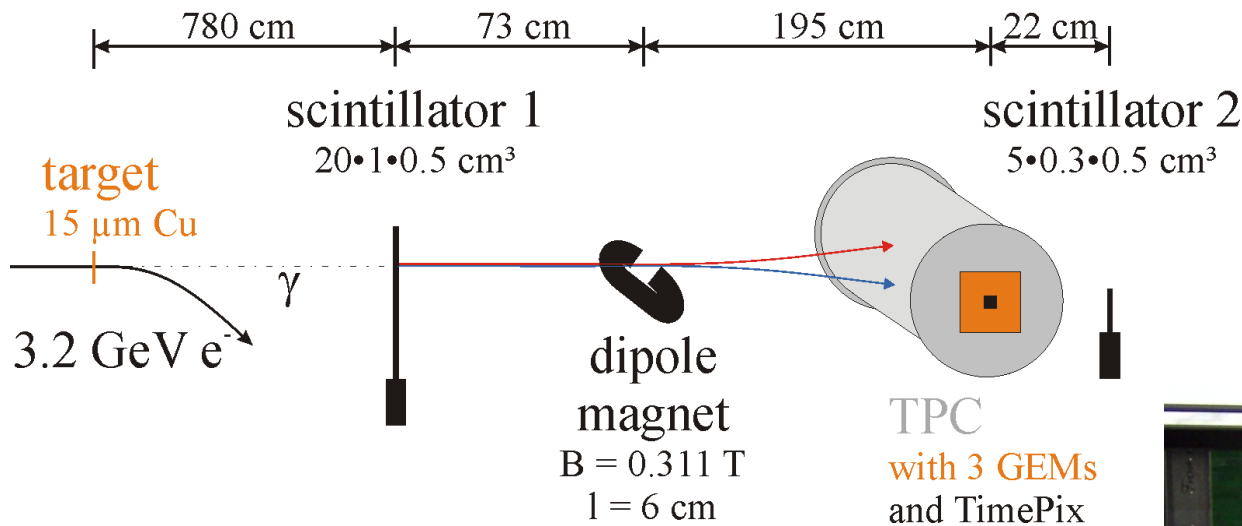
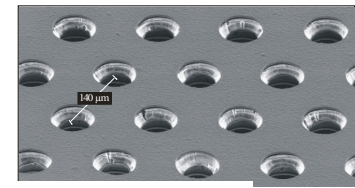
$$\sigma = D_T * \sqrt{x}$$

note: $n_{\text{eff}} = 1$

Only selection criteria:
tracks with more than 5 hits

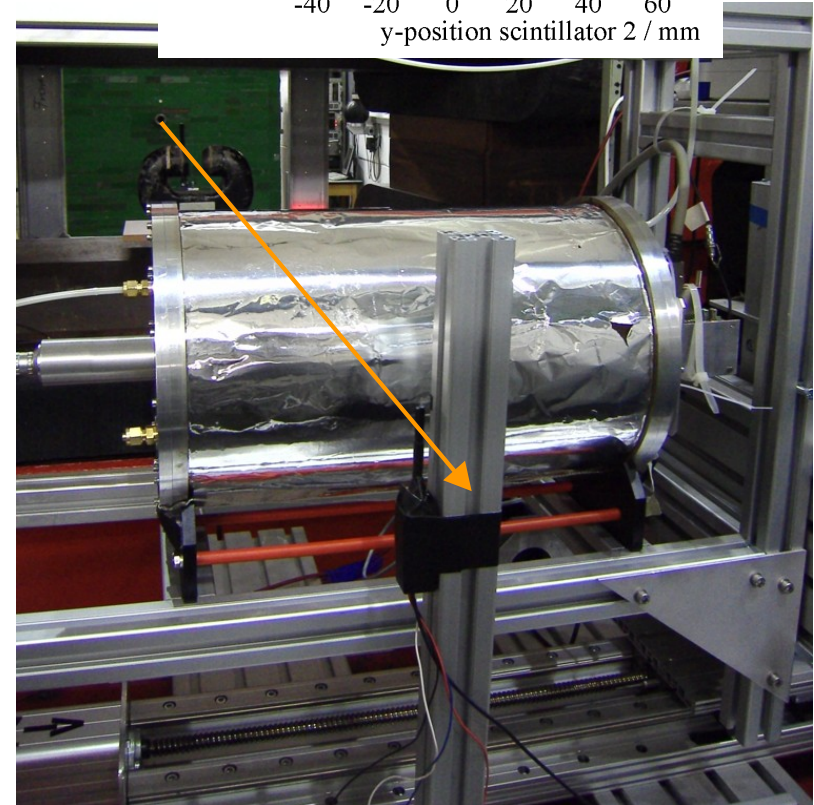


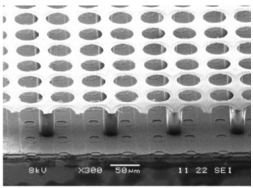
Test Beam Setup



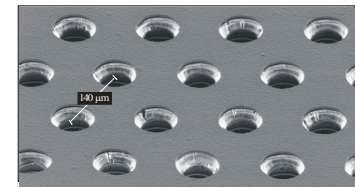
- γ were created at a target
- primary e^- -beam was dumped
- photons converted in scintillator 1
- dipole separated e^+e^-
- Coincidence of scinti 1 and 2 select single particle events

begin of this month



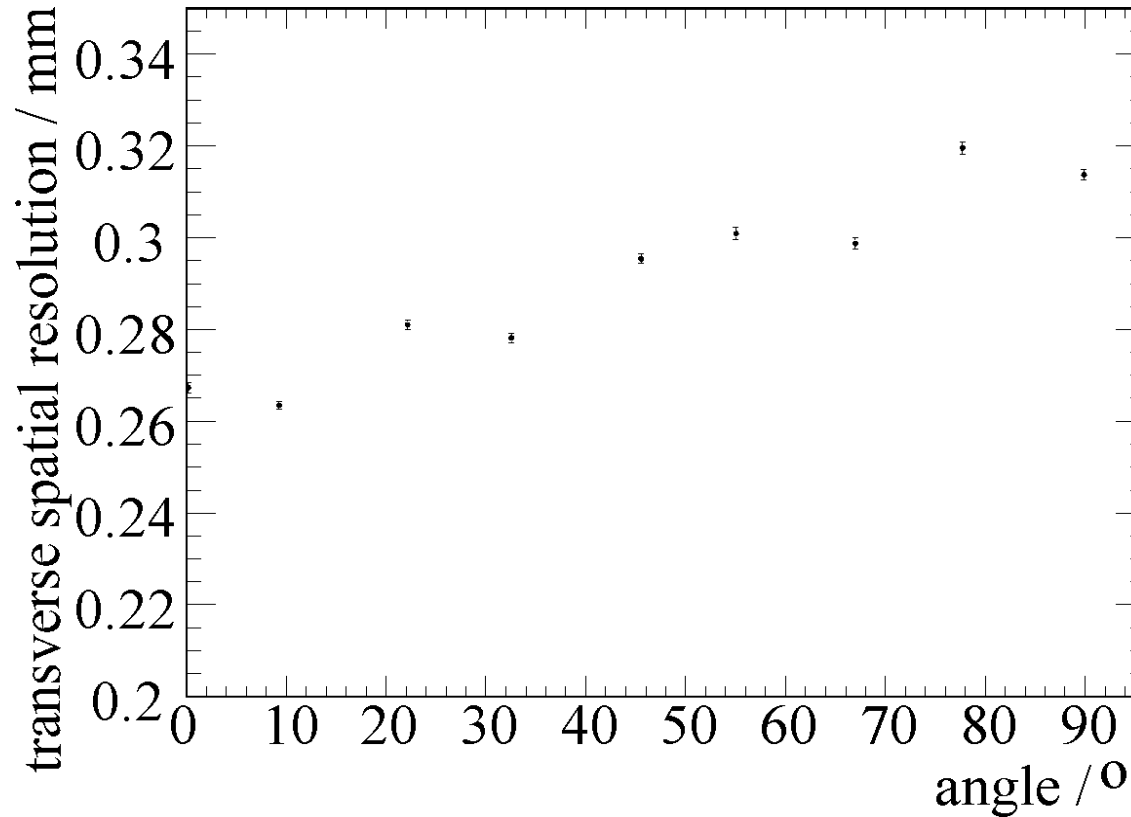


Test beam Results



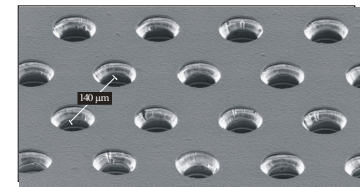
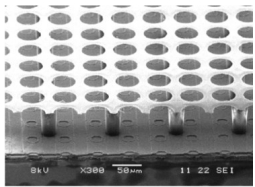
Very preliminary!!!

data was taken only 2 weeks ago



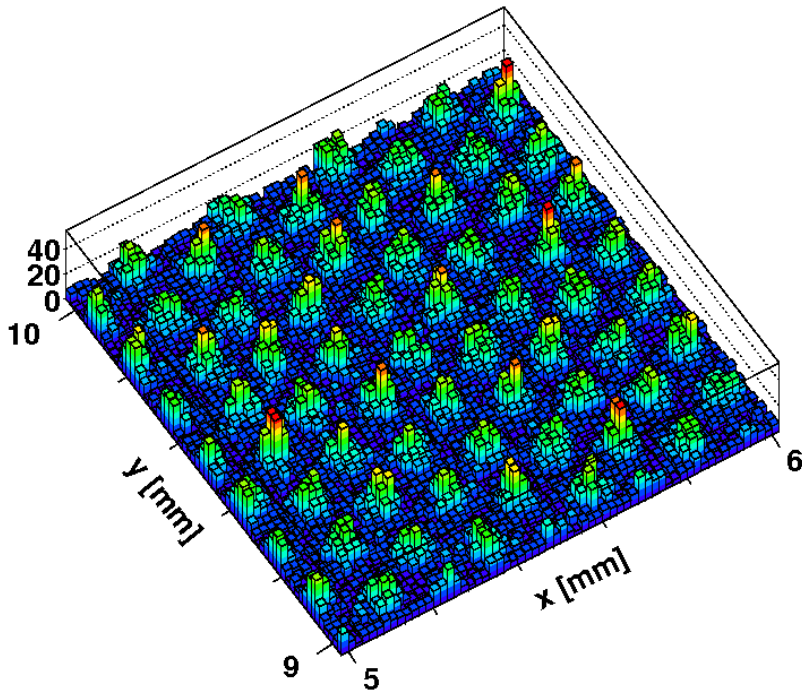
transverse spatial resolution in
dependence on track inclination

'Electron-tomography' of a GEM

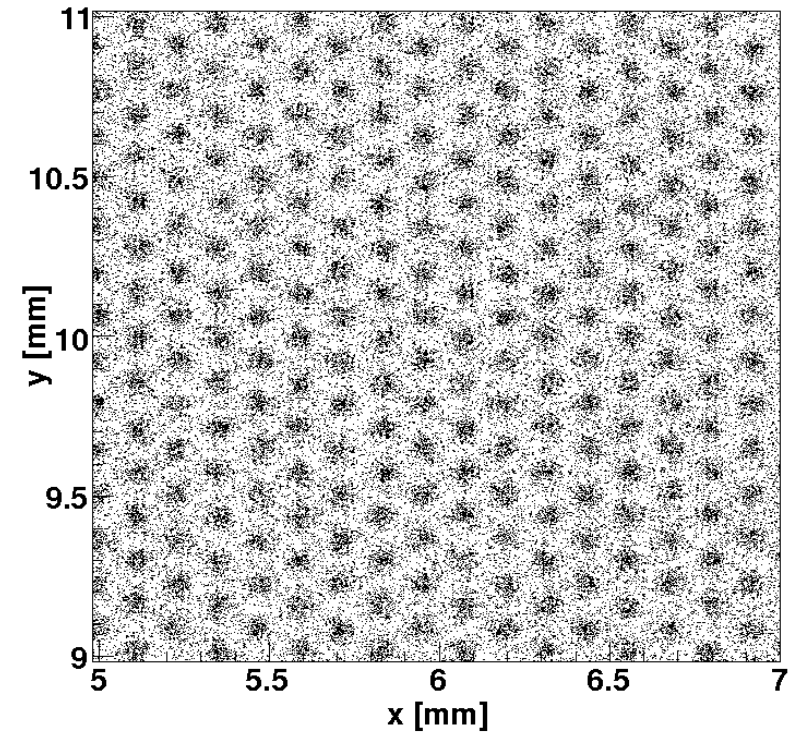


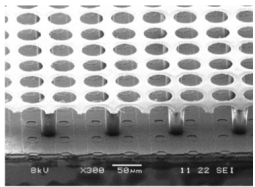
- ^{90}Sr placed at a drift distance of 25 cm
- untriggered data taking
- reconstruction of hit positions

Distribution of Cluster Centres

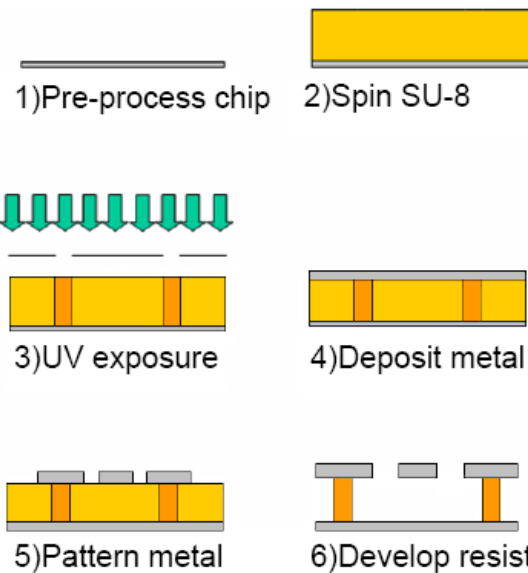
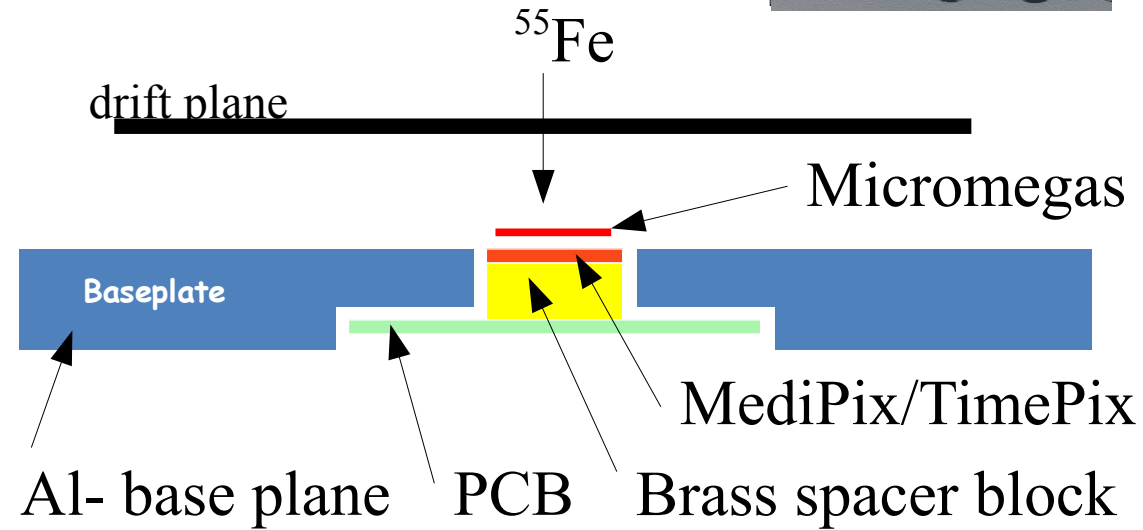
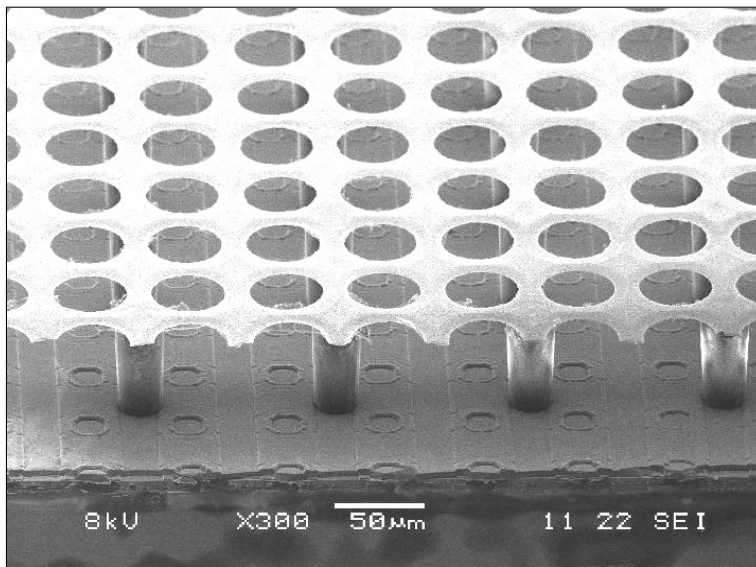
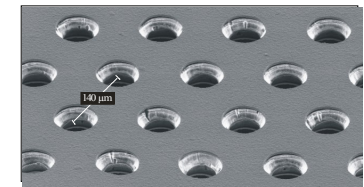


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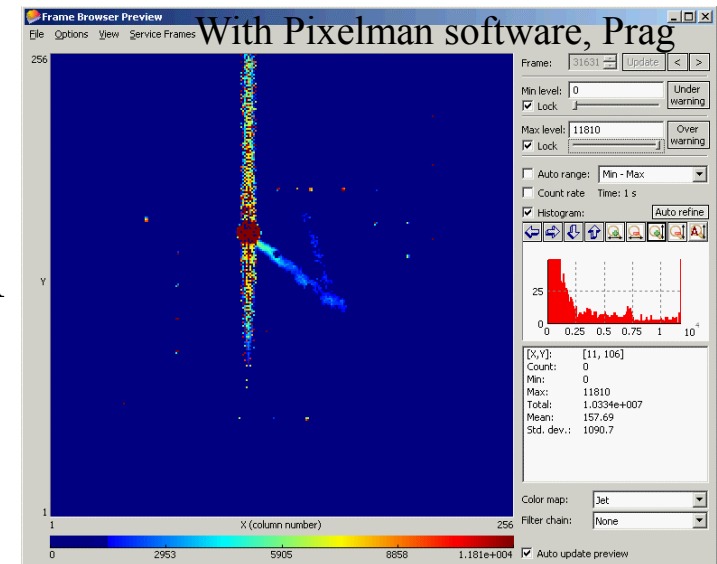




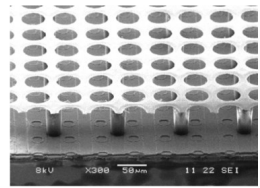
InGrid



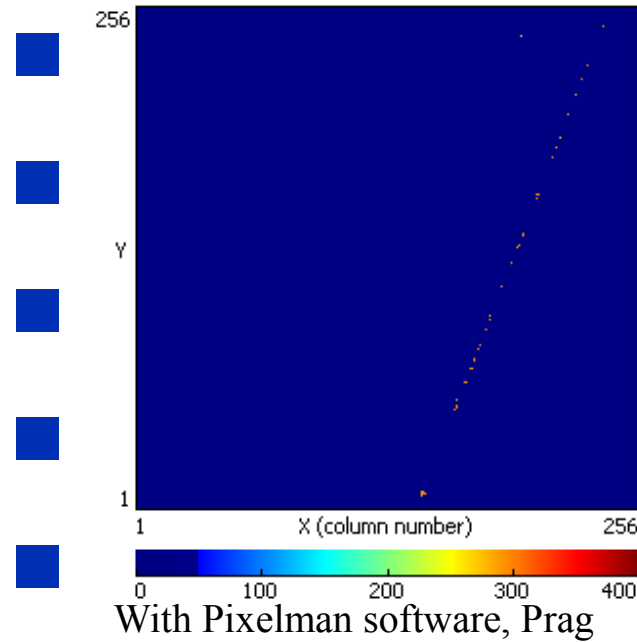
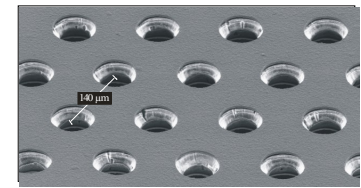
IMT Neuchatel:
 15 or 20 μm highly resistive aSi:H protection layer ($\sim 10^{11} \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$)
 MESA+: InGrid



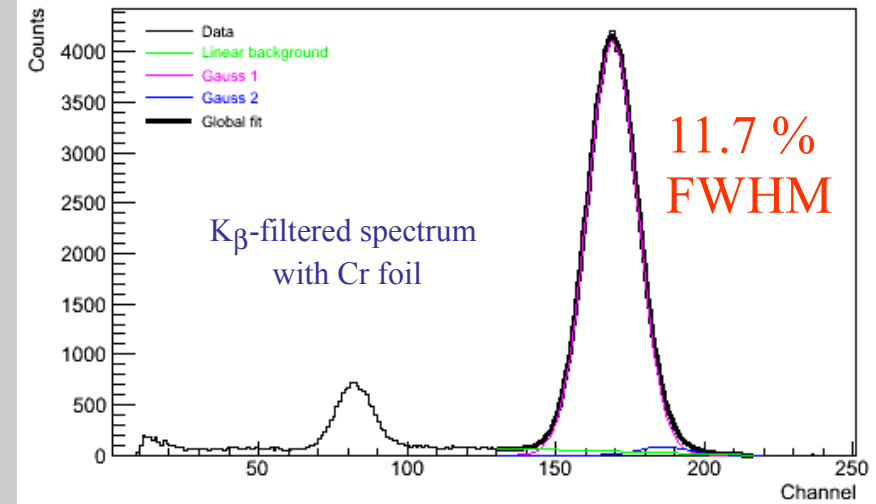
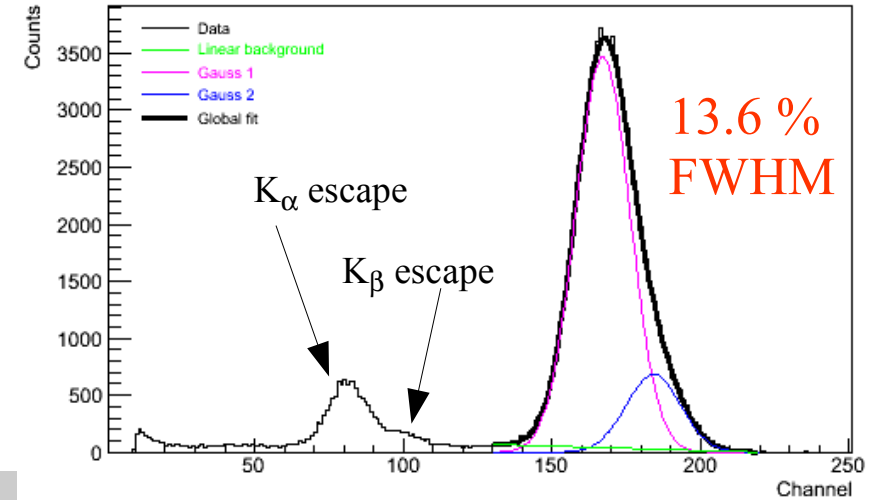
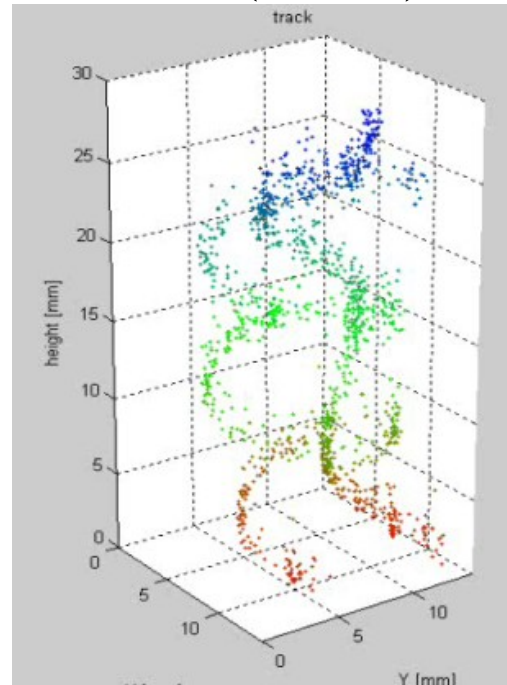
chip survives several 1000 discharges induced by Thorium



InGrid – some Event Pictures

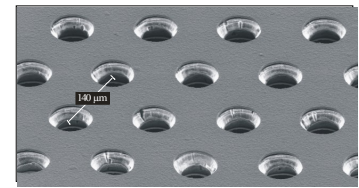
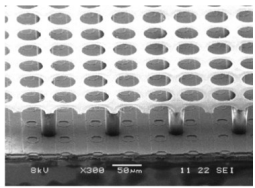


5 GeV negative
hadron beam at
CERN
- ArCO₂ (70/30)

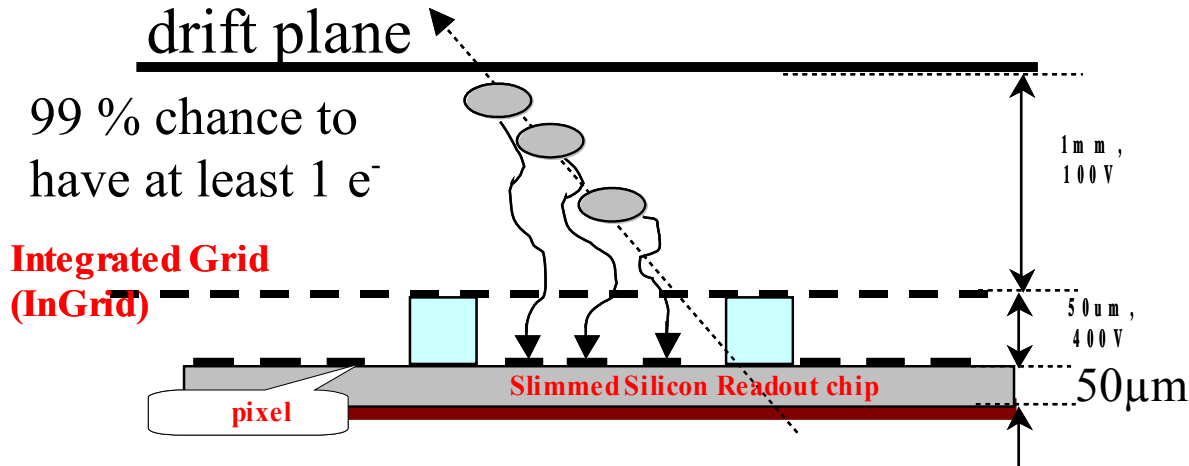


2 electrons
from ⁹⁰Sr in B=0.2T

⁵⁵Fe spectrum in Ar:CH₄ 90-10



Gas On Slimmed Silicon Pixel

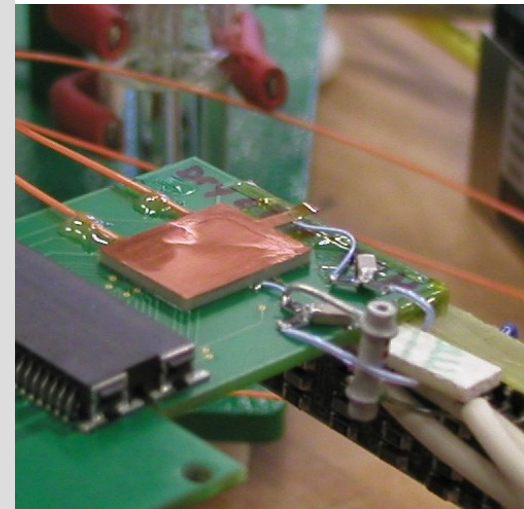
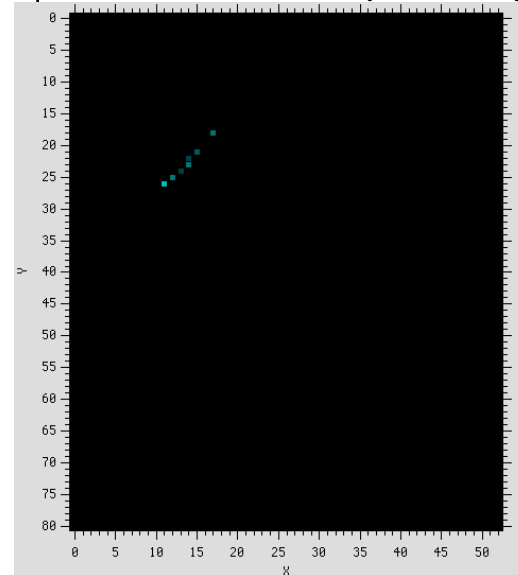


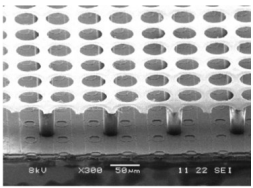
First prototype of GOSSIP on a PSI-46 (CMS Pixel FE chip) is working:

- 1.2 mm drift gap
- Grid signal used as trigger
- 30 μm layer of SiProt

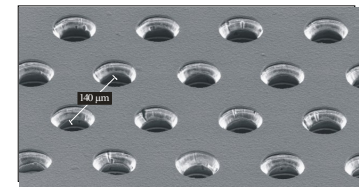
Some advantages: gas versus Si

- it is light and cheap
- gas amplification, no bias current
=> low power & simple FE circuits
- gas can be exchanged:
=> no radiation damage of sensor
- no temperature requirements
- gas has a low ϵ_r : -> low capacitance
=> fast, low-noise, and low-power preamps



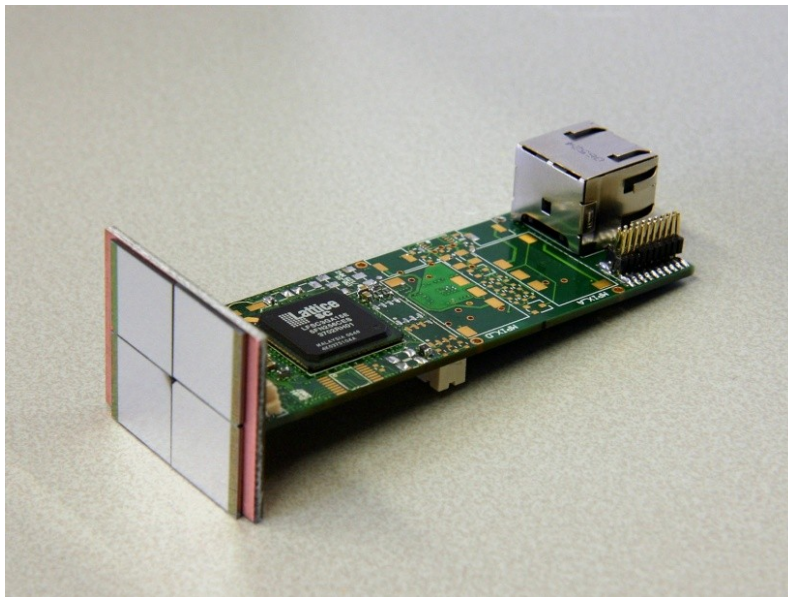
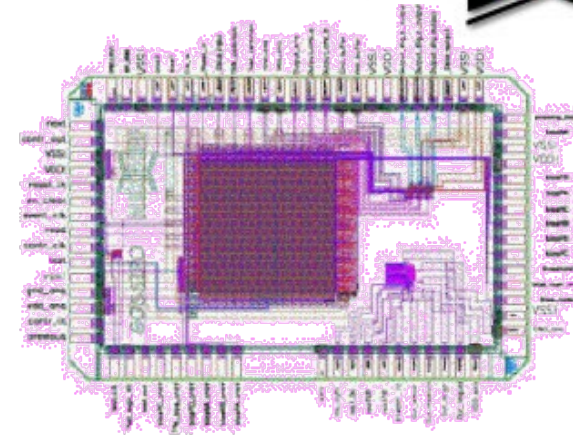


Gossip & InGrid



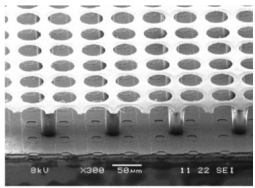
Gossip and InGrid based TPC face very similar challenges:

- spark protection solved by aSi:H – layer
- aging must be tested/ under control
- diffusion limits max. drift length
=> test low diffusion gases (e.g. Ar:CF₄)
- enlarging surface (currently only 2 cm²)
- development of new readout chips

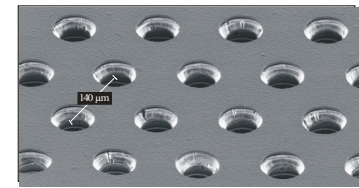


Development of new readout chips:

- GOSSIPO-2 at NIKHEF
16*16 Pixel, 0.13µm CMOS technology
low noise $\sigma_n=70e^-$ ENC
low power consumption (2µW/channel)
1.8 ns time resolution
- TimePix-2 at CERN/NIKHEF/Bonn/...
design will start soon



Conclusion & Outlook



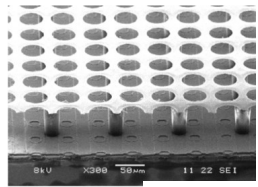
- Development of micropattern gas detectors is a very active field.

- This is underlined by the formation of a new collaboration at CERN: **RD51**. Joining the forces to cover the needs of the community: test beams, irradiation facilities, electronics, industrialization, develop simulation tools,...

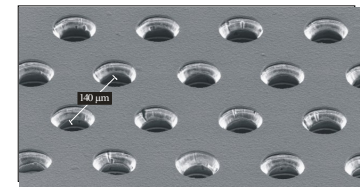
- Some very promising ideas have been made to work in the last years.

- Especially the readout with CMOS chips with very small pixels shows interesting results in a number of new applications.

New post-processing steps of readout chips are planned. e.g. pad enlarging, through-silicon-vias, ...



Modern Particle Identification



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