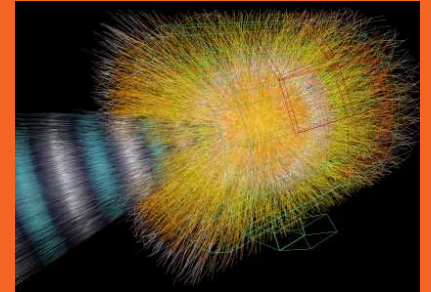

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Time Projection Chamber



The HIBEAM-NNBAR tracking & PID detector

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Outline

- Particle detection principles
 - interactions of radiation with matter
 - gaseous detectors
- Time Projection Chambers
- NNBAR TPC
- LADEP-UNICAMP activities

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Physics of Particle Detection

Every effect of particles or radiation can be used as a working principle for a particle detector.

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Particle Detectors

Second Edition

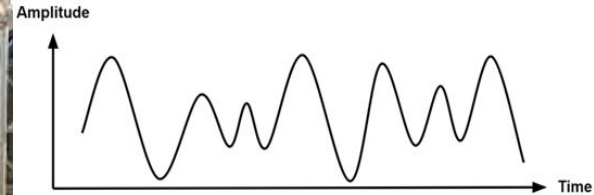
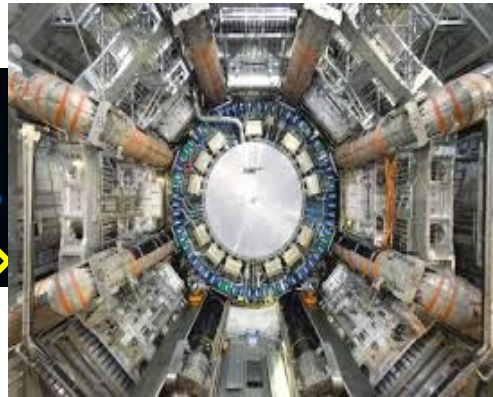
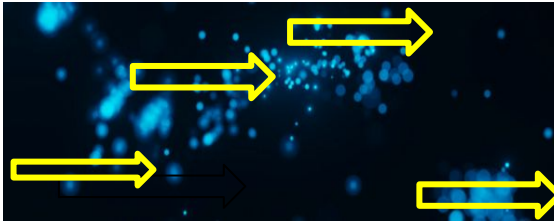
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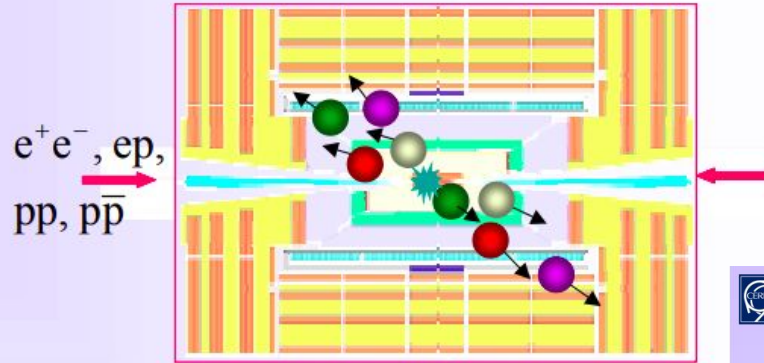
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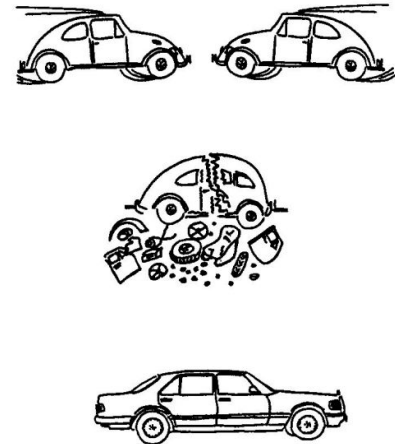
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- measurement of momentum and/or energy
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- fast response, no dead time
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- end products
- charged particles
 - neutral particles
 - photons

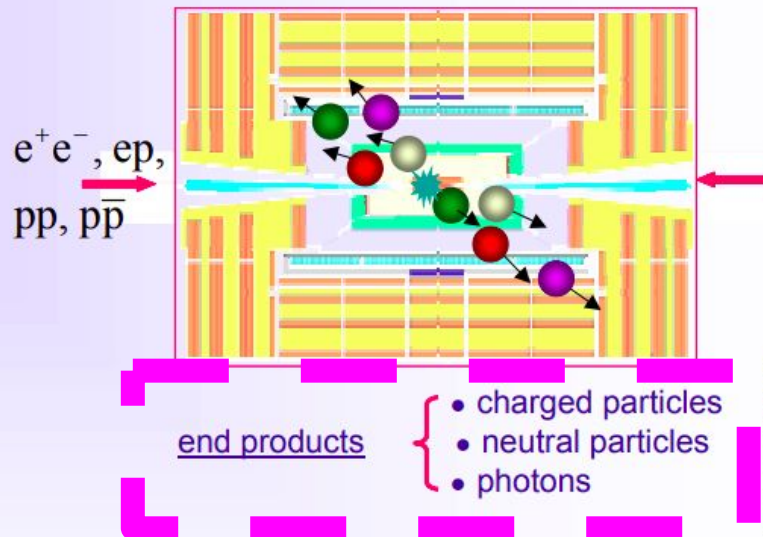
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Cartoon by Claus Grupen, University of Siegen

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Interações da radiação com a matéria : fótons

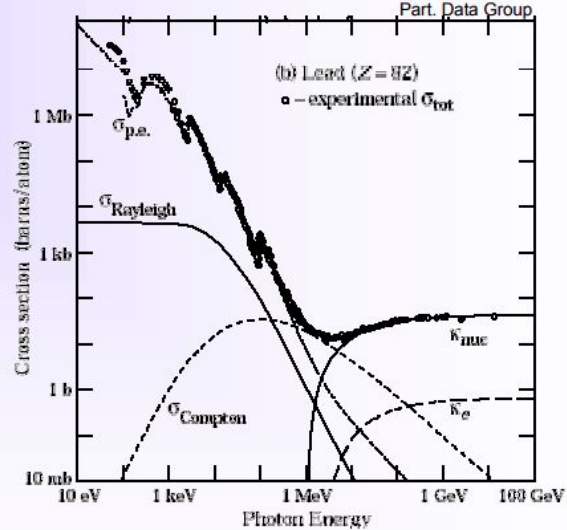
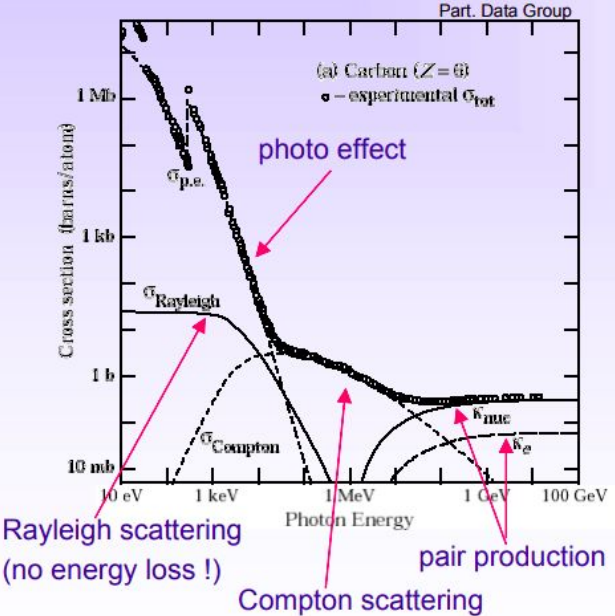


Interaction of photons

4. Calorimetry

In summary: $I_\gamma = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$

μ : mass attenuation coefficient $\mu_i = \frac{N_A}{A} \sigma_i \quad [cm^2 / g]$ $\mu = \mu_{photo} + \mu_{Compton} + \mu_{pair} + \dots$



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Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas neutras

- PRINCÍPIO BÁSICO:

- partículas neutras precisam gerar ou interagir com partículas carregadas para gerarem sinais mensuráveis em detectores. Alguns exemplos:

- π^0 : $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$; $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + e^- + e^+$; $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^- + e^+ + e^- + e^+$...

- neutrinos:

CC Charged Current Reaction	$\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$
NC Neutral Current Reaction	$\nu_x + d \rightarrow \nu_x + p + n$
ES Elastic Scattering Reaction	$\nu_x + e^- \rightarrow \nu_x + e^-$

Obs.: γ SECUNDÁRIOS
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PARTÍCULAS CARREGADAS

IBD (CC): $\bar{\nu}_e + p^+ \rightarrow n^0 + e^+$

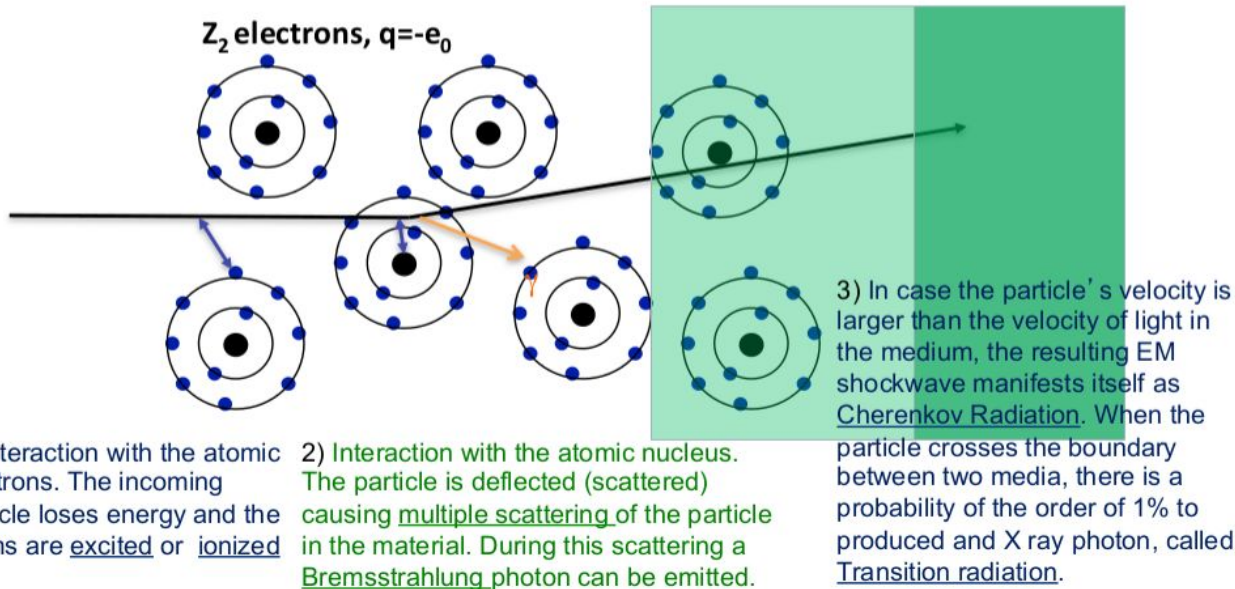
Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas neutras

- nêutrons:
 - Espalhamento:
 - colisão com núcleos, mudando de direção e energia.
 - Absorção:
 - Os nêutrons podem ser absorvidos por núcleos no material, levando a várias reações nucleares, como captura ou fissão.
 - Difusão:
 - Os nêutrons podem difundir-se pelo material, passando por movimento aleatório devido a colisões com outras partículas, resultando em um deslocamento líquido

Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas

Three type of electromagnetic interactions:

1. Ionization (of the atoms of the traversed material)
2. Emission of Cherenkov light
3. Emission of transition radiation



Interações da radiação com a matéria : resumo

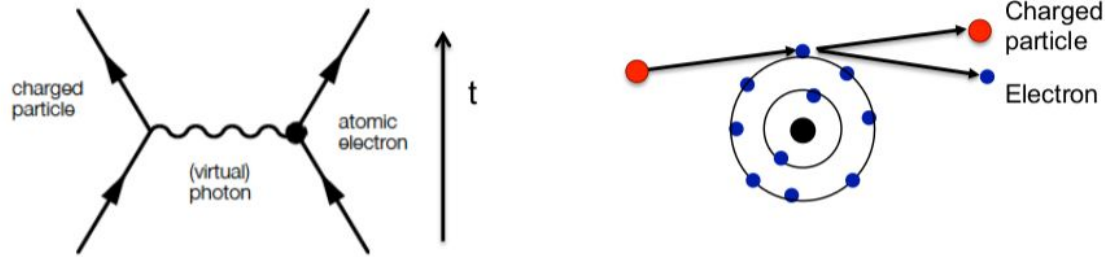
Charged particles	Photons, γ
Ionisation and excitation	Photoelectric effect
Bremsstrahlung	Compton scattering
	Pair creation
Cherenkov radiation	
Transition radiation	

TPC



Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas

Energy loss by ionization – dE/dx



First calculate for $Mc^2 \gg m_e c^2$:

Energy loss for heavy charged particle [dE/dx for electrons more complex]

The trajectory of the charged particle is unchanged after scattering

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \propto \frac{Z^2}{\beta^2} \ln(a\beta^2\gamma^2) \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\beta^2}} \quad a = \text{material-dependent constant}$$



Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas

Bohr's calculation of dE/dx

Particle with charge Ze and velocity v moves through a medium with electron density n .

Electrons considered free and initially at rest

The momentum transferred to the electron is:

$$\Delta p_{\perp} = \int F_{\perp} dt = \int F_{\perp} \frac{dt}{dx} dx = \int F_{\perp} \frac{dx}{v}$$

$$F_{\perp} = eE_{\perp}$$

$$\Delta p_{\perp} = e \int E_{\perp} \frac{dx}{v}$$

$$\downarrow$$

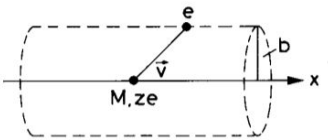
$$= \frac{2ze^2}{bv}$$

Gauss law: The electric flux through any closed surface is proportional to the enclosed electric charge

$$\leftarrow \int E_{\perp} (2\pi b) dx = 4\pi(ze) \rightarrow \int E_{\perp} dx = \frac{2ze}{b}$$



Relativity:



Symmetry!

Δp_{\parallel} : averages to zero

Bohr's calculation of dE/dx

$$\Delta E(b) = \frac{\Delta p^2}{2m_e} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta p_{\perp} = \frac{2ze^2}{bv}$$

Energy transfer to a **single electron**

For n electrons distributed on a barrel

$$n = N_e \cdot (2\pi b) \cdot db \, dx$$

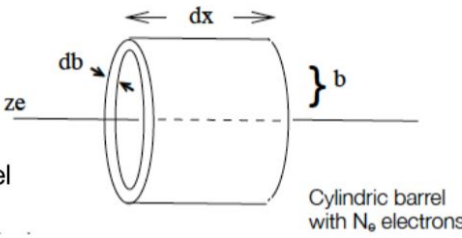
Energy loss per path length dx for distance between b and $b+db$ in medium with **electron density** N_e :

$$-dE(b) = \frac{\Delta p^2}{2m_e} \cdot 2\pi N_e b \, db \, dx = \frac{(2ze^2)^2}{2m_e (bv)^2} \cdot 2\pi N_e b \, db \, dx = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 e^4}{m_e v^2} \cdot \frac{db}{b} \, dx$$

(-) Energy loss !

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 e^4}{m_e v^2} \cdot \int_{b_{\min}}^{b_{\max}} \frac{db}{b} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 r_e^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2} \ln \frac{b_{\max}}{b_{\min}} \quad (r_e m_e c^2 = e^2)$$

Diverges for $b \rightarrow 0$; integration only for relevant range $[b_{\min}, b_{\max}]$



Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas

Bohr's calculation of dE/dx

$$\text{Stopping power: } -\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 r_e^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2} \ln \frac{b_{\max}}{b_{\min}}$$

Determination of the relevant range [b_{\min} , b_{\max}]:

b_{\min} : for head-on collisions in which the kinetic energy transferred is maximum

$$\rightarrow E_{\max}(b_{\min}) = \frac{(2ze^2)^2}{2m_e v^2 b_{\min}^2}$$
$$b_{\min} = \frac{ze^2}{\gamma m_e v^2}$$

$$\leftarrow E_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2 m_e (2v)^2 = 2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2$$

(calculated from conservation of momentum)

b_{\max} : particle still moves faster than the e in the atomic orbit (~ **electron at rest**).
electrons are bound to atoms with an average orbital frequency $\langle v_e \rangle$
the interaction time has to be smaller or equal to $1/\langle v_e \rangle$

$$b_{\max} = \frac{\gamma v}{\langle v_e \rangle} \quad \text{or distance at which the kinetic energy transferred is minimum } E_{\min} = I \text{ (mean ionization potential)}$$

In this interval the stopping power does not diverge: **Bohr classical formula**

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 r_e^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2} \ln \frac{\gamma^2 m v^3}{z e^2 \langle v_e \rangle} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 r_e^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2} \ln \left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I} \right)$$



Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas

Behte-Bloch equation

Quantum mechanic calculation of Bohr stopping power

Valid for heavy charged particles ($m_{incident} \gg m_e$), e.g. proton, k, π , μ

$$-\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = 2\pi N_a r_e^2 m_e c^2 \rho \frac{Z}{A} \frac{z^2}{\beta^2} \left[\ln\left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I^2} W_{max}\right) - 2\beta^2 - \delta(\beta\gamma) - \frac{C}{Z} \right]$$

=0.1535 MeV cm²/g

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \propto \frac{Z^2}{\beta^2} \ln(a\beta^2\gamma^2)$$

Fundamental constants
 r_e =classical radius of electron
 m_e =mass of electron
 N_a =Avogadro's number
 c =speed of light

Absorber medium
 I = mean ionization potential
 Z = atomic number of absorber
 A = atomic weight of absorber
 ρ = density of absorber
 δ = density correction
 C = shell correction

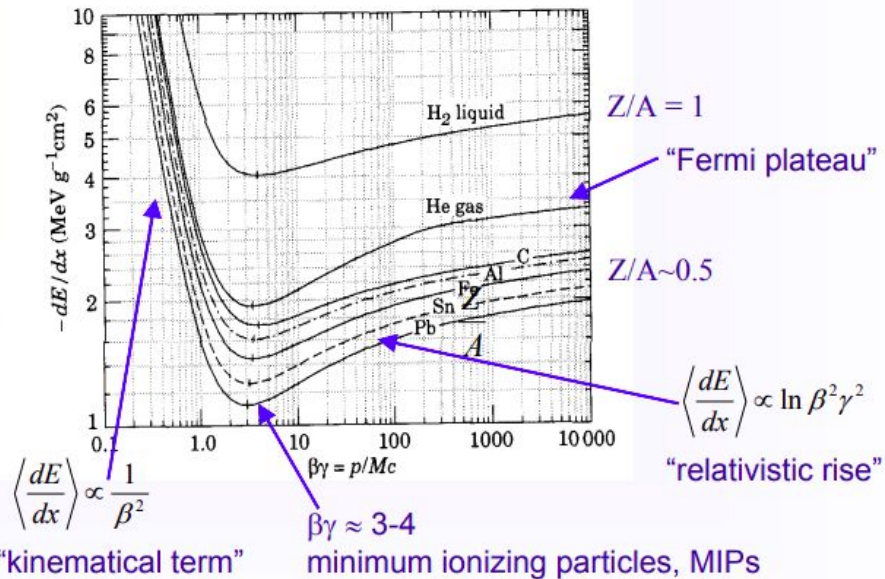
Incident particle
 z = charge of incident particle
 β = v/c of incident particle
 γ = $(1-\beta^2)^{-1/2}$
 W_{max} = max. energy transfer in one collision

Note: the classical dE/dx formula contains many features of the QM version: $(z/\beta)^2$, & $\ln[]$

$$\frac{-dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi N_e z^2 r_e^2 m_e c^2}{\beta^2} \ln \frac{b_{max}}{b_{min}}$$

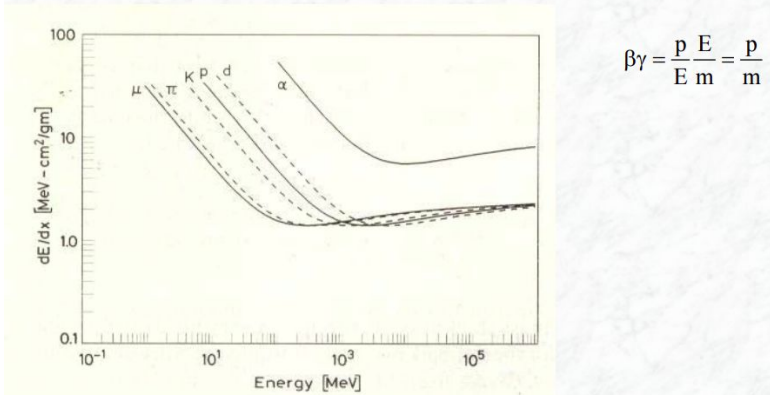


Interações da radiação com a matéria : partículas carregadas



Except in hydrogen, particles of the same velocity have similar energy loss in different materials.

Consequence: dE/dx measurements can be used to identify particles



- universal curve as function of $\beta\gamma$ splits up for different particle masses, if taken as function of energy or momentum
- a simultaneous measurement of dE/dx and p, E → particle ID

Elétrons: atenção especial

Energy loss for electrons

Bethe-Bloch formula needs modification

Incident and target electron have same mass m_e
Scattering of identical, indistinguishable particles

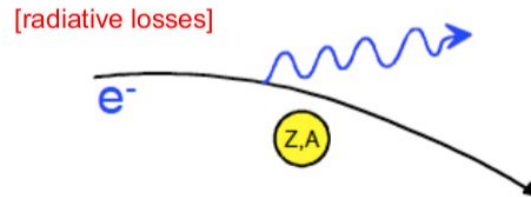
$$-\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle_{\text{ionization}} \propto \ln(E)$$

Dominating process for $E_e > 10\text{-}30$ MeV is not anymore ionization but

Bremsstrahlung: photon emission by an electron accelerated in
Coulomb field of nucleus

$$-\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle_{\text{Brems}} \propto \frac{E}{m^2}$$

energy loss proportional to $1/m^2 \rightarrow$ main relevance for
electrons (or ultra-relativistic muons)



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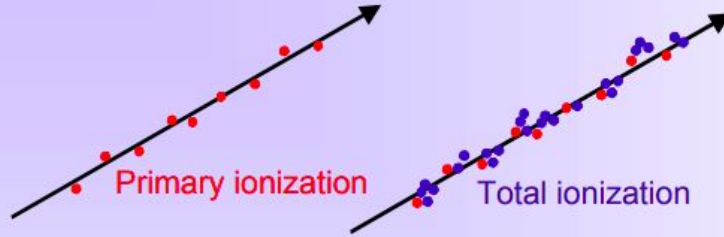
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Detectores gasosos



Ionization of Gases

Princípio Básico de Operação



Fast charged particles ionize atoms of gas.
Often resulting primary electron will have enough kinetic energy to ionize other atoms.

$$n_{total} = \frac{\Delta E}{W_i} = \frac{\frac{dE}{dx} \Delta x}{W_i}$$

$$n_{total} \approx 3 \dots 4 \cdot n_{primary}$$

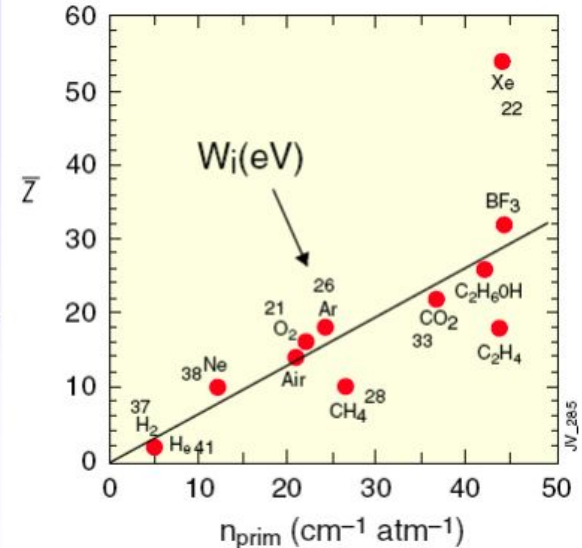
n_{total} - number of created electron-ion pairs

ΔE = total energy loss

W_i = effective <energy loss>/pair

Number of primary electron/ion pairs in frequently used gases.

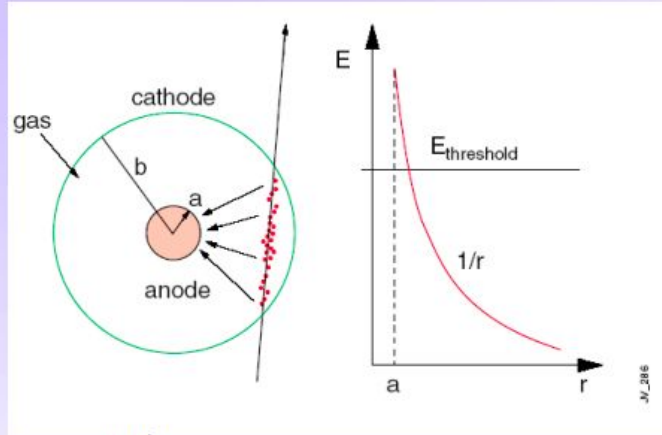
Lohse and Witzeling, Instrumentation In High Energy Physics, World Scientific, 1992



Método Básico de Detecção



Single Wire Proportional Chamber



Electrons liberated by ionization drift towards the anode wire.

Electrical field close to the wire (typical wire \varnothing ~few tens of μm) is sufficiently high for electrons (above 10 kV/cm) to gain enough energy to ionize further \rightarrow **avalanche** – exponential increase of number of electron ion pairs.

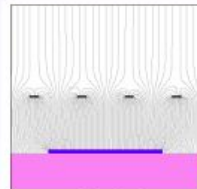


$$E(r) = \frac{CV_0}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r}$$

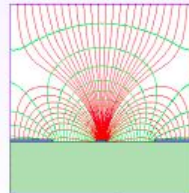
C – capacitance/unit length

$$V(r) = \frac{CV_0}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \ln \frac{r}{a}$$

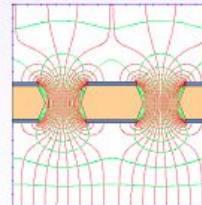
Cylindrical geometry is not the only one able to generate strong electric field:



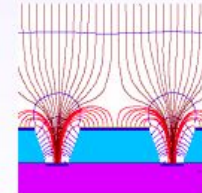
parallel plate



strip



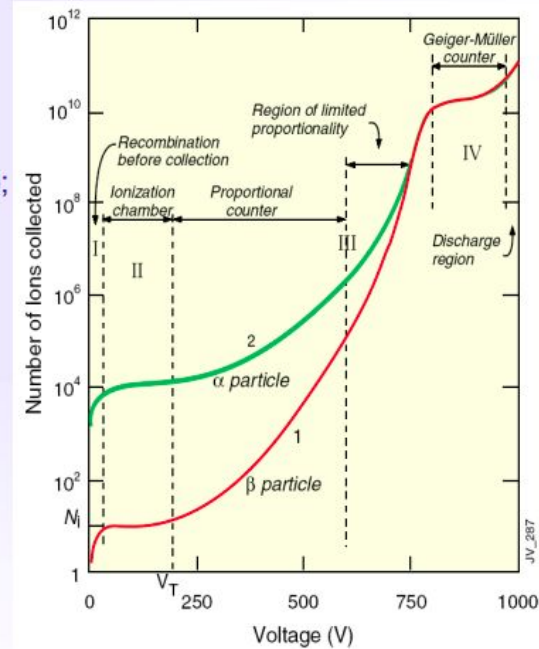
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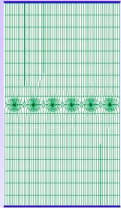


- **ionization mode** – full charge collection, but no charge multiplication; gain ~ 1
- **proportional mode** – multiplication of ionization starts; detected signal proportional to original ionization \rightarrow possible energy measurement (dE/dx); secondary avalanches have to be quenched; gain $\sim 10^4 - 10^5$
- **limited proportional mode** (saturated, streamer) – strong photoemission; secondary avalanches merging with original avalanche; requires strong quenchers or pulsed HV; large signals \rightarrow simple electronics; gain $\sim 10^{10}$
- **Geiger mode** – massive photoemission; full length of the anode wire affected; discharge stopped by HV cut; strong quenchers needed as well



Variações da ideia

Multiwire Proportional Chamber 2a. Gas Detectors



Simple idea to multiply SWPC cell : Nobel Prize 1992


First electronic device allowing high statistics experiments !!

Typical geometry
5mm, 1mm, 20 μ m

Normally digital readout :
spatial resolution limited to

$$\sigma_x \approx \frac{d}{\sqrt{12}}$$

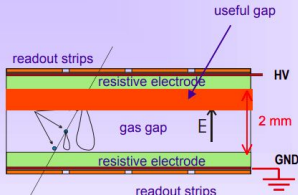
for $d = 1 \text{ mm}$ $\sigma_x = 300 \mu\text{m}$



G. Charpak, F. Sauli and J.C. Santiari

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RPC – Resistive Plate Chamber 2a. Gas Detectors



useful gap

readout strips / resistive electrode HV

gas gap E 2 mm

resistive electrode GND

readout strips

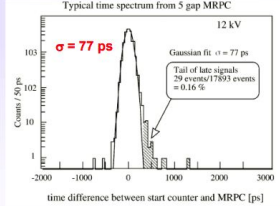
MRPC

HV

GND

Multigap RPC - exceptional time resolution suited for the trigger applications

Rate capability strong function of the resistivity of electrodes in streamer mode.



A. Akimov et al., NIM A456(2000)16
Typical time spectrum from 5 gap MRPC

12 kV

$\sigma = 77 \text{ ps}$

Gaussian fit: $\sigma = 77 \text{ ps}$
Tail of late signals: 29 events / 17893 events = 0.16 %

Counts / 50 ps

time difference between start counter and MRPC [ps]

Time resolution

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Plastic streamer tubes and their applications in high energy physics

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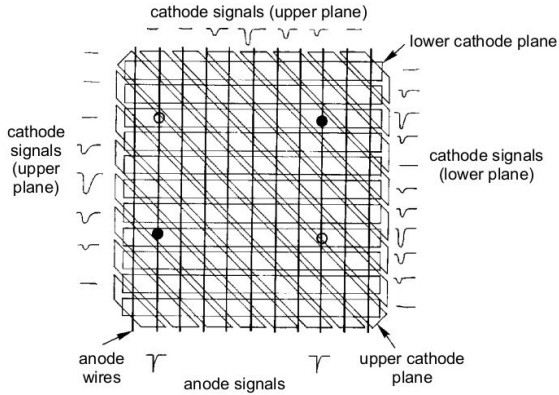
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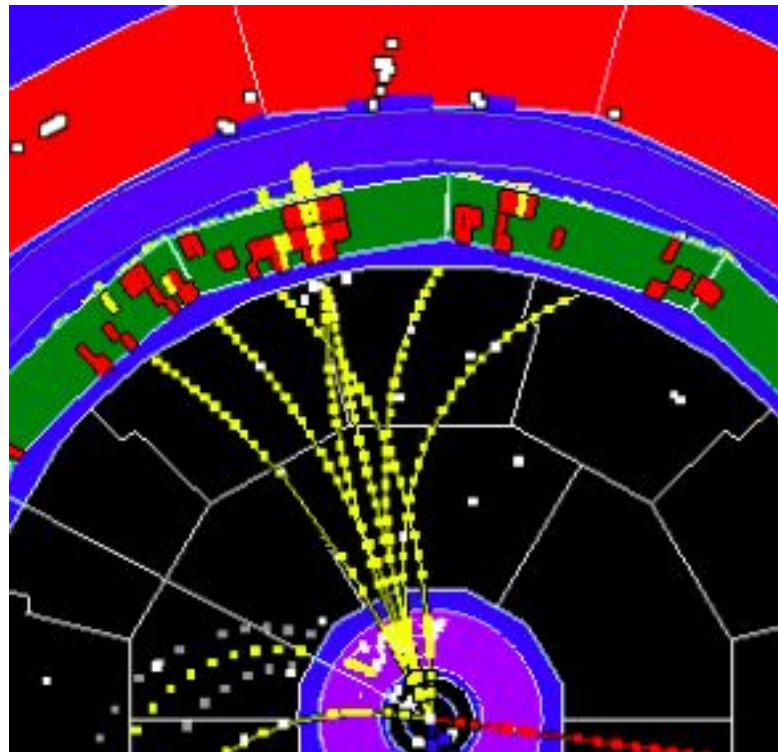
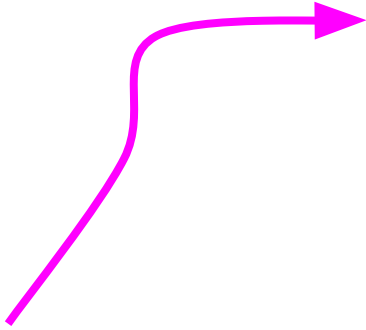
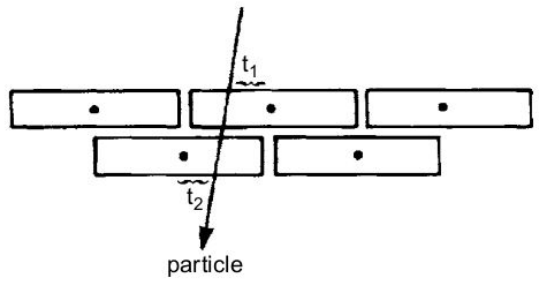
Abstract

A review of the basic performance and technology of plastic streamer tubes is presented, together with their applications and developments essentially in the field of digital tracking calorimetry, based on either digital patterns or charge readout, or both, with different pick-up electrode arrangements.

Detectores Planares (2D)



Tracejamento (3D)



CÂMARAS DE ARRASTO (DRIFT CHAMBERS)

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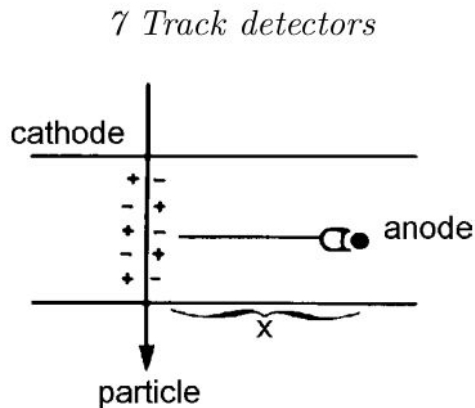


Fig. 7.6. Working principle of a drift chamber.

v^- : velocidade dos elétrons do gás

v^- cte $x = v^- \cdot \Delta t$

$v^-(t)$ $x = \int v^-(t) dt$

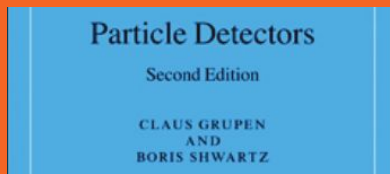
ganhamos uma nova
coordenada, usando o mesmo
tipo de detector gasoso !

Câmara de Projeção Temporal

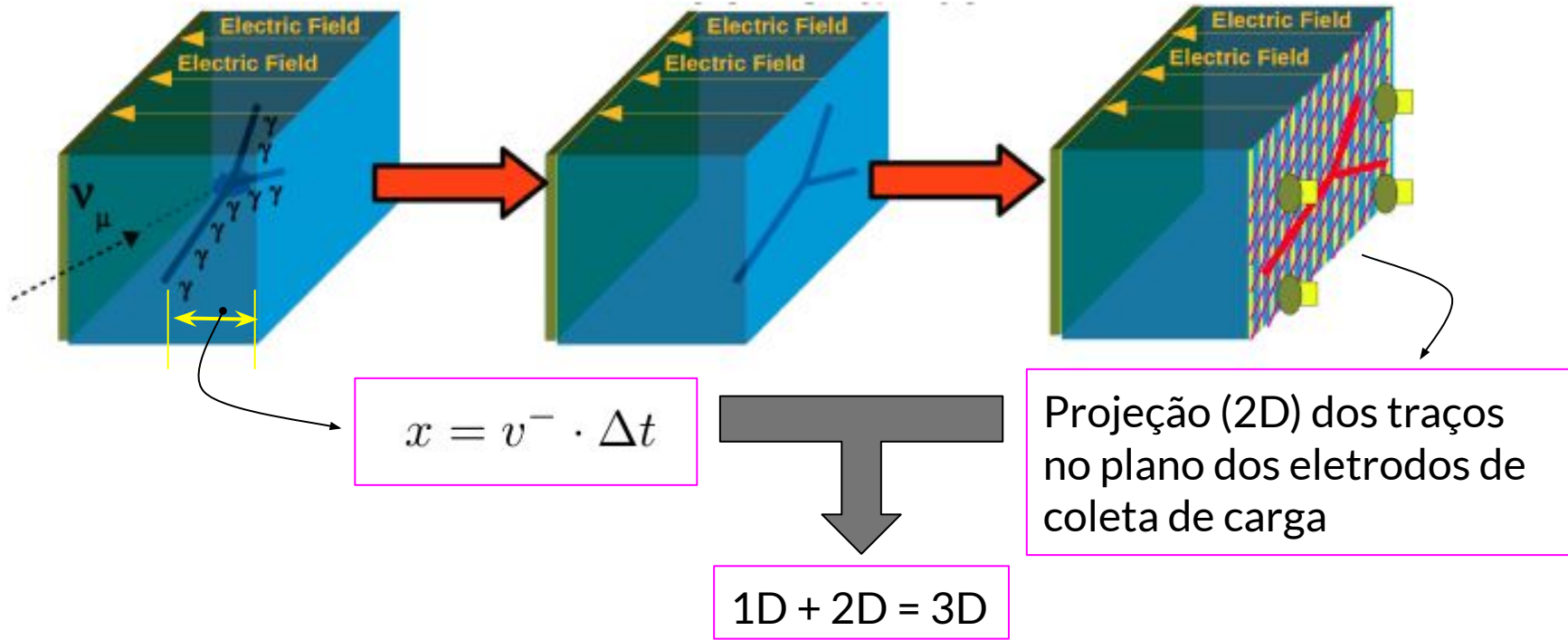
Time Projection Chamber - TPC

7.3.3 *Time-projection chambers (TPCs)*

The *crème de la crème* of track recording in cylindrical detectors (also suited for other geometries) at the moment is realised with the *time-projection chamber* [63]. Apart from the counting gas this detector



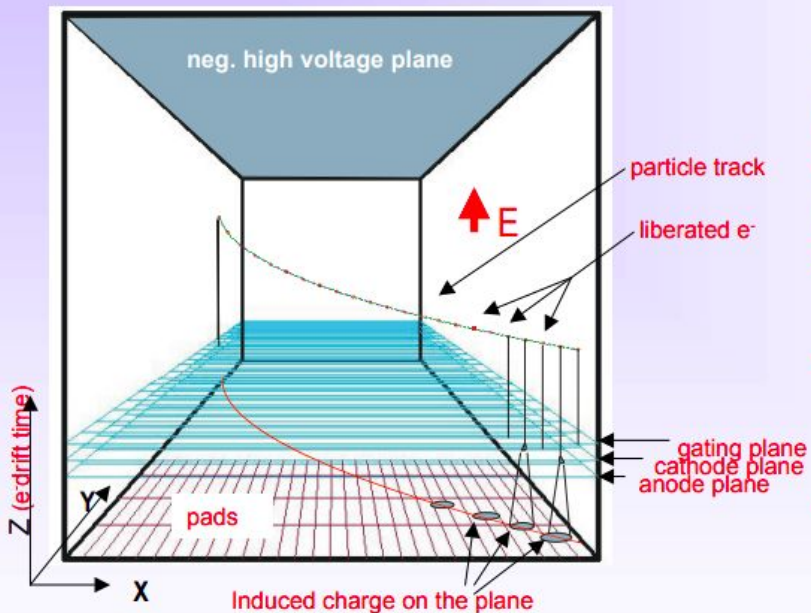
TPC: princípio de funcionamento



Neutrino Detection in a Liquid-Argon

Time Projection Chamber

A hand-drawn diagram on a whiteboard. It features a dashed line starting from the left and extending towards the right, and a solid line starting from the left and extending downwards and to the right, branching off from the dashed line.



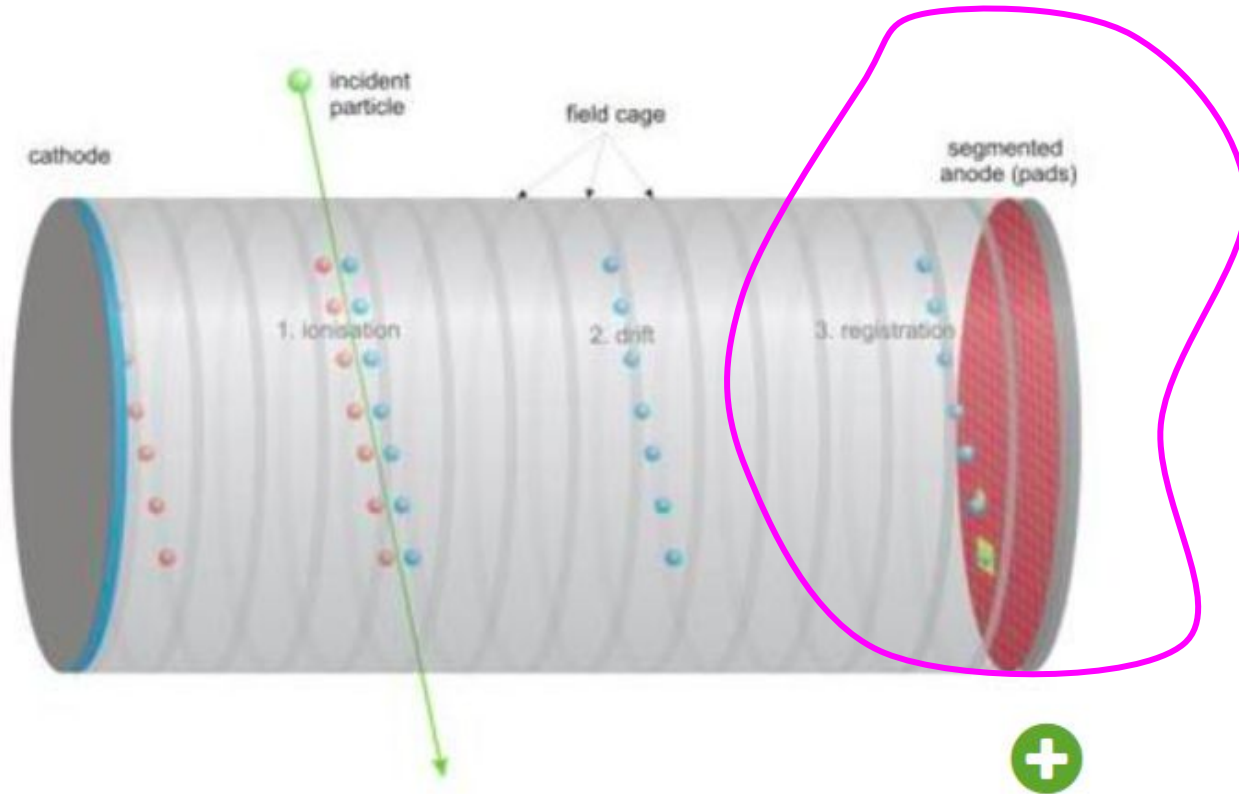
Time Projection Chamber
full 3D track reconstruction:

x - y from wires and segmented cathode of MWPC (or GEM)

z from drift time

- **momentum** resolution
space resolution + B field (multiple scattering)
- **energy** resolution
measure of primary ionization

TPC: princípio de funcionamento



Temos cargas (e^-)
nos nosso eletrodo
positivo

elas são
suficientes?

Amplificadores e coletores de carga

MPGD: micro-pattern gas detectors

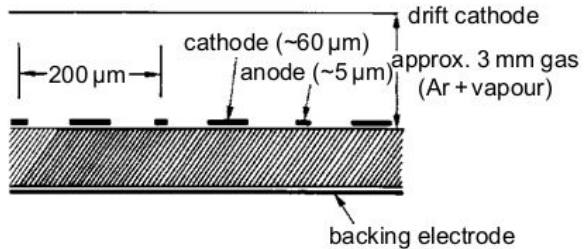


Fig. 7.35. Schematic arrangement of a microstrip gas detector

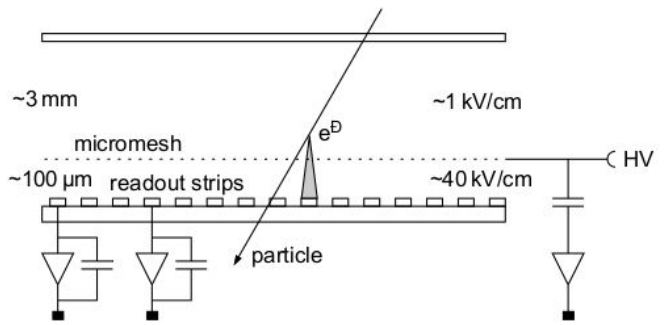


Fig. 7.36. The layout of the Micromegas detector [11, 95].

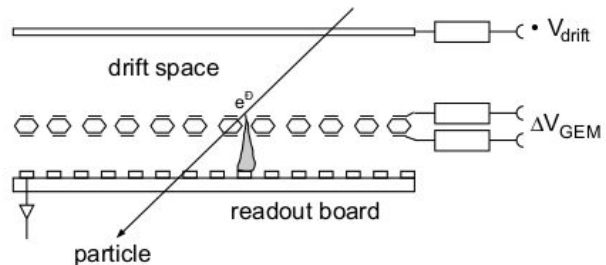


Fig. 7.37. Detailed layout of a GEM detector

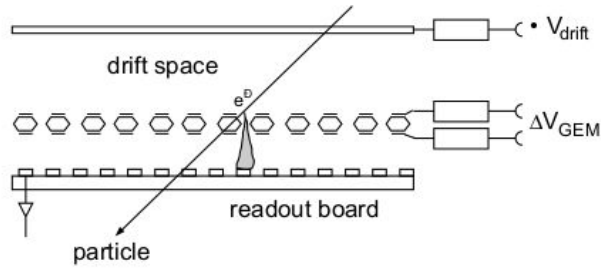
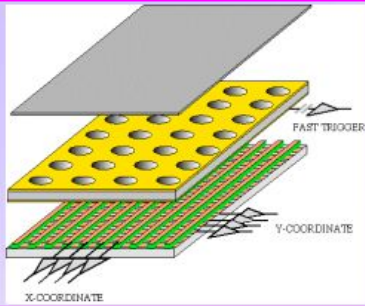


Fig. 7.37. Detailed layout of a GEM detector

Another structure providing charge multiplication is the *Gas Electron Multiplier* (GEM). This is a thin ($\approx 50\ \mu\text{m}$) insulating kapton foil coated with a metal film on both sides. It contains chemically produced holes of $50\text{--}100\ \mu\text{m}$ in diameter with $100\text{--}200\ \mu\text{m}$ pitch. The metal films have different potential to allow gas multiplication in the holes. A GEM schematic view and the electric field distribution is presented in Figs. 7.37 and 7.38.

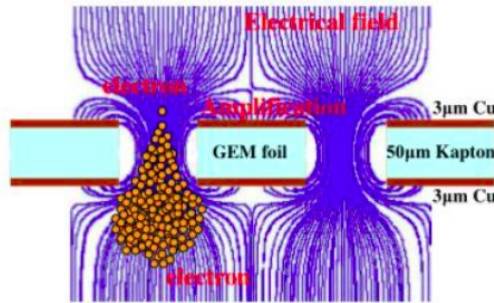
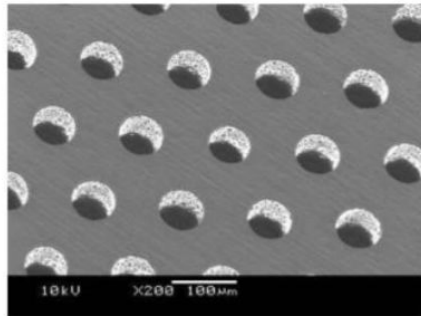


Full decoupling of the charge amplification structure from the charge collection and readout structure.

Both structures can be optimized independently !

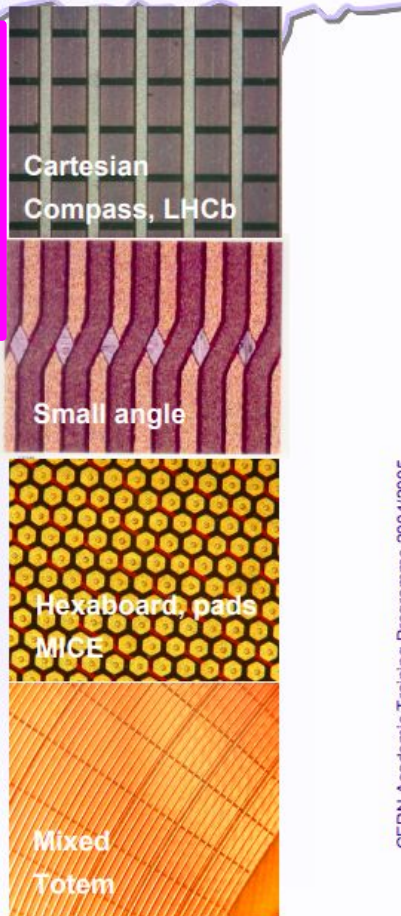
Double side flexible printed circuit board

Electric field



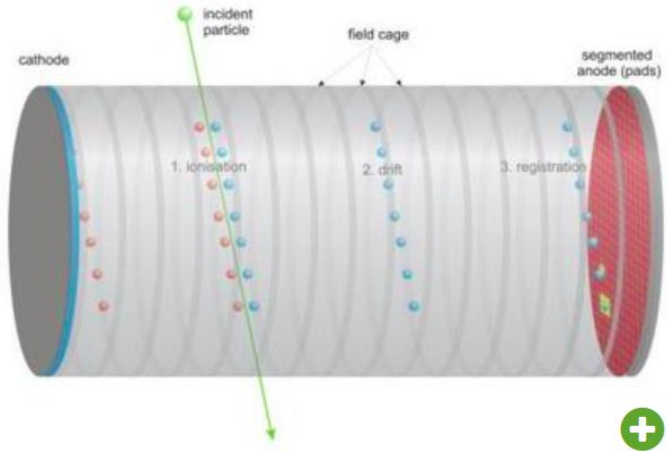
- Hole diameter 70µm
- Hole pitch 140µm
- Thickness 50µm
- Cu thickness 5µm

Developed by F.Sauli (CERN) in 1997.
NIMA 386(1997)531

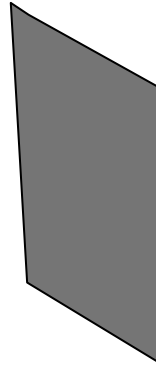


TPC: a nossa escolha (hibeam-nnbar) em sua essência

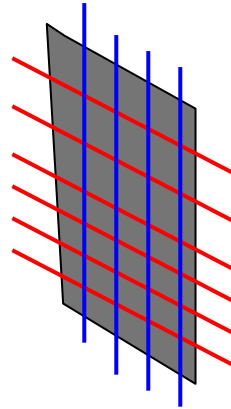
TPC



GEM

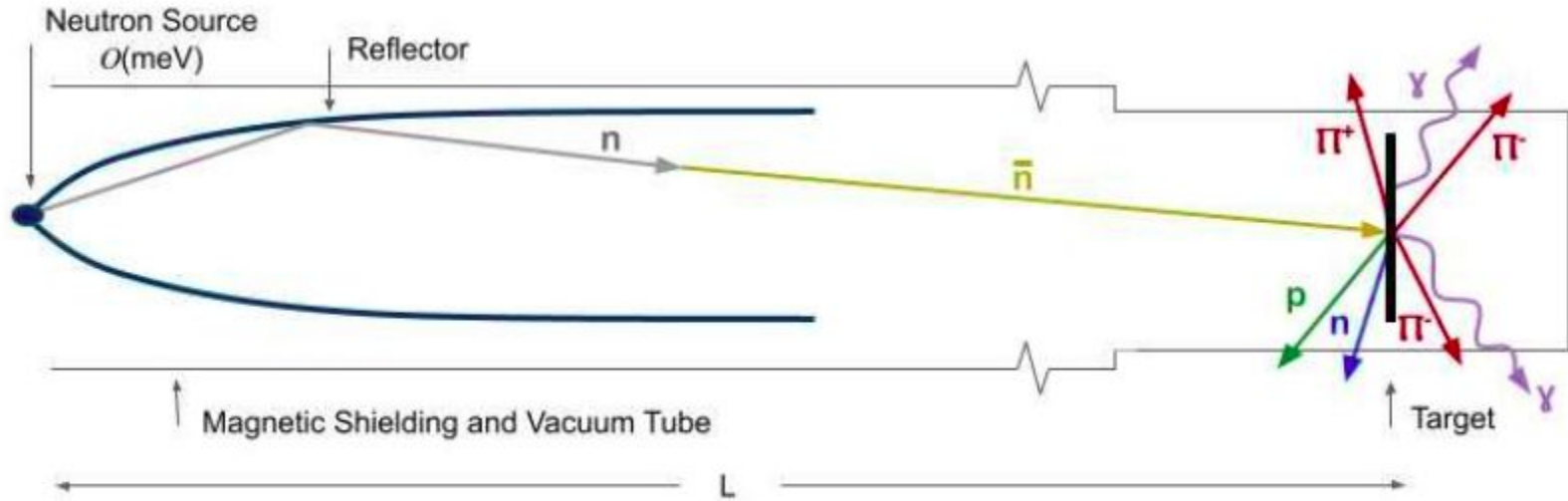


Coletor de carga



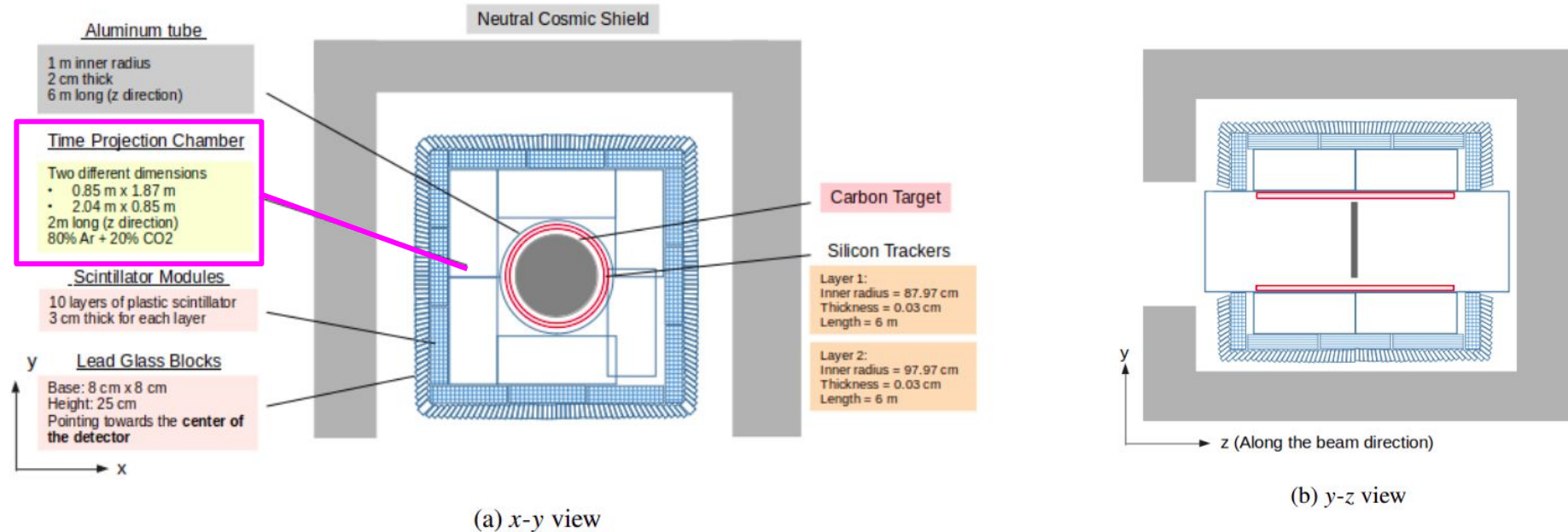
A TPC do HIBEAM-NNBAR

Lembrando nossa produção de $n-\bar{n}$



Bernhard Meirose - 2nd HIBEAM NNBAR Sweden-Brazil STINT Workshop - 2024-04-30

A TPC do HIBEAM-NNBAR



NNBAR - desenho de base e requisitos

- Vértice comum do qual surgem várias trilhas de píons carregadas
 - pode ser reconstruído (com precisão de ~ mm).
 - requer excelente identificação de partículas (PID).
 - deve ser possível discriminar entre píons carregados de prótons de
- Como: medições da perda de energia, dE/dx

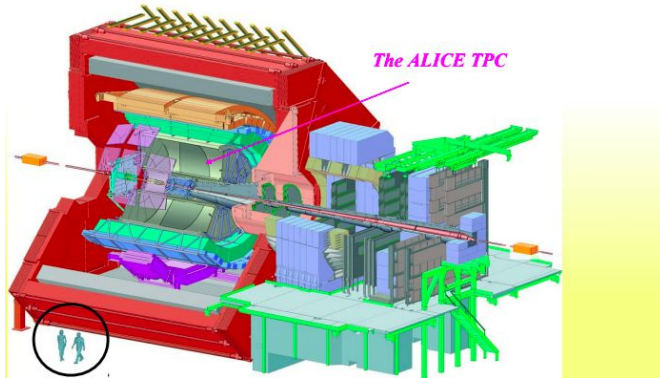
As câmaras de projeção temporal (TPCs) são adequadas para esta tarefa.

- Além disso: é importante que as energias e direções das partículas sejam medidas

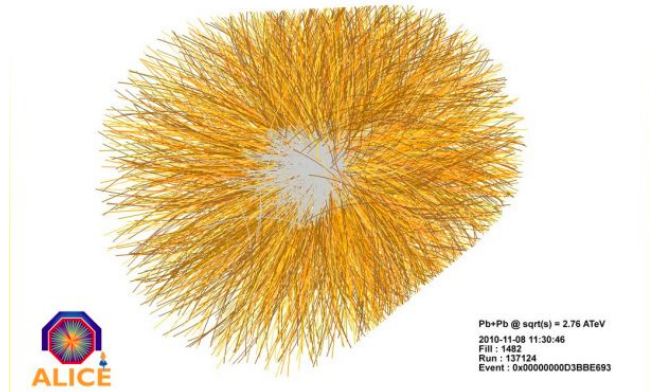
NNBAR - desenho de base e requisitos

- Escolha do “modelo”
 - A TPC do ALICE

The ALICE experiment



TPC Pb+Pb event



Time Projection Chamber

Two different dimensions

- 0.85 m x 1.87 m
 - 2.04 m x 0.85 m
- 2m long (z direction)
80% Ar + 20% CO₂

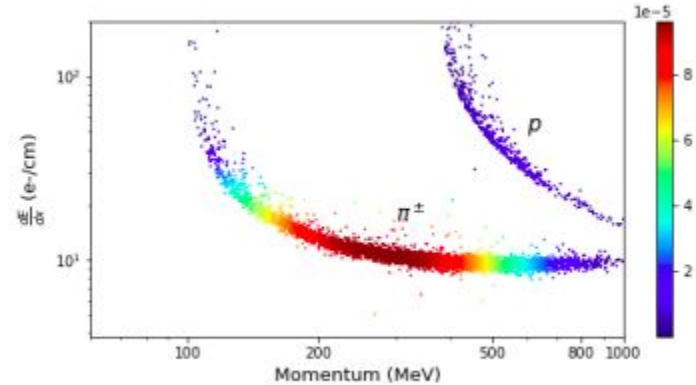
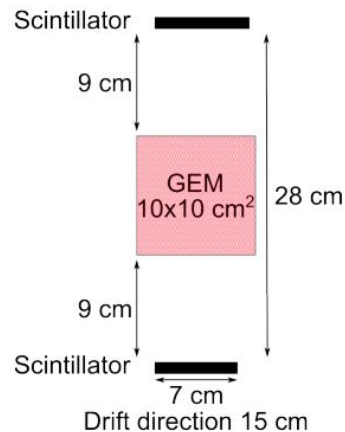
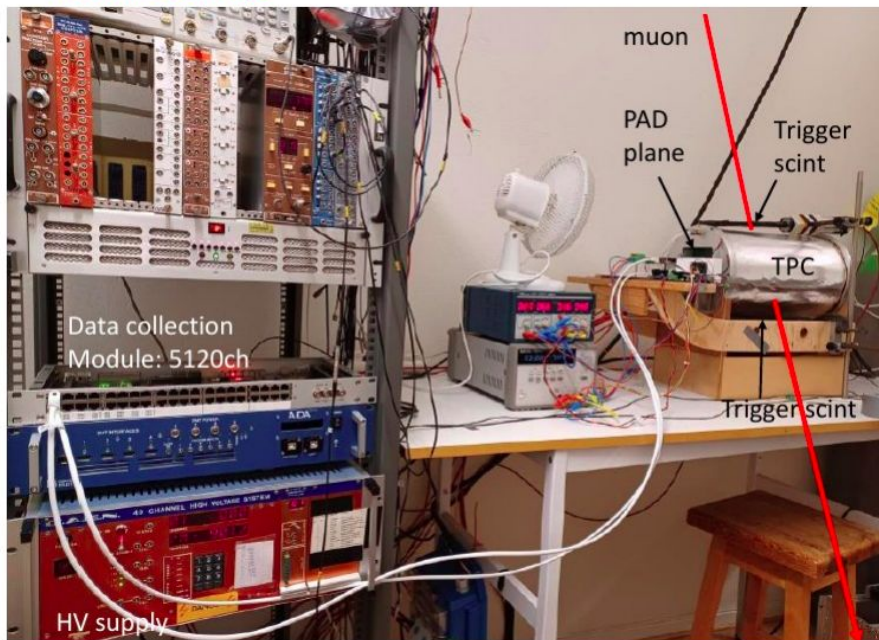


Figure 7. The expected mean energy loss in the TPC, $\frac{dE}{dx}$, for simulated pions and protons.

TPC: protótipos (R&D)

TPC

Cosmics Setup



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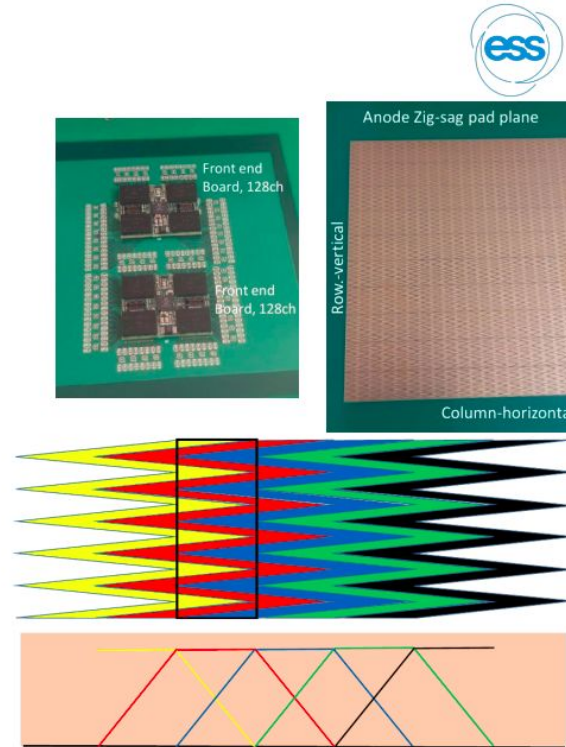
TPC: protótipos (R&D)

TPC

Readout

- TPC
 - 30 cm drift length
 - Drift field 250 V/cm
- ZIGZAG GEM
 - 10 cm x 10 cm
 - 256 pads in 10 pad rows
 - pitch 4.5 mm
- Frontend Board
 - SALTRO chips
 - 256 channels
 - 20 MHz sampling

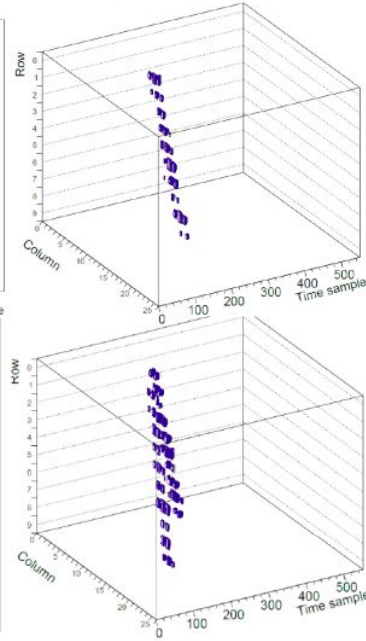
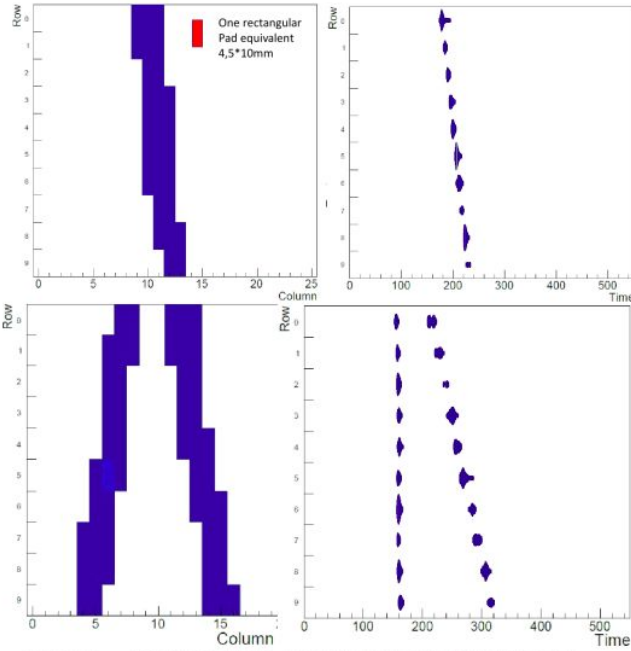
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TPC: protótipos (R&D)

TPC

Tracks



- Expected resolution after signal averaging
5-10% of pad width
(=0.5 mm)
- Multiple tracks surprisingly frequent
 - Air showers? Pair production?

A. Oskarsson

TPC tests and R&D @ UNICAMP



TPC R&D itens under discussion

- Charge collection: zig-zag pads optimization
 - maximize spatial resolution keeping a reasonable number of readout channels



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1st proposal: 1985

Design Studies for a TPC Readout Plane Using Zigzag Patterns with Multistage GEM Detectors

B. Azmoun, P. Garg, T.K. Hemmick, M. Hohlmann, A. Kiselev, M.L. Purschke, C. Woody, A. Zhang

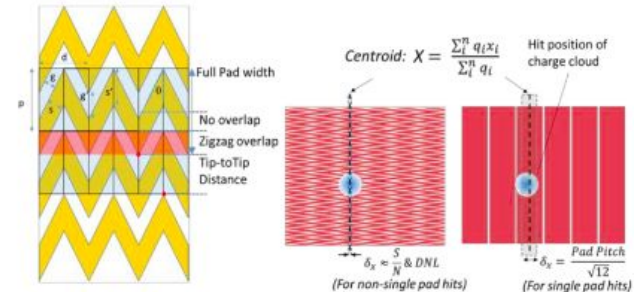
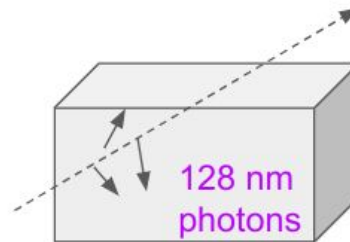


Fig. 1 The sketch on the left shows the 4 basic parameters of the zigzag pattern, including the pitch, zigzag period, gap width, and trace width, denoted by p , d , g , and s respectively. (θ , s' , and g' are resultant parameters representing the characteristic angle, the trace width, and gap width at the zigzag apex.) The sketches on the right demonstrate charge sharing and centroid calculations for a zigzag and rectangular pad readout. 6 channels are shown for each pattern with a pitch of 2mm. (The drawings on the right are to scale.)

Time: t_0 from primary scintillation



- In what extent it could help the track tagging?
- Assumption: From Table 4, which shows the number of tracks per 50ns, we conclude that ~ 1200 tracks would be expected during the $\sim 25 \mu\text{s}$ time-frame.

Sub-detector	Intensity per 50ns		
	Particle of origin	Photon	Electron/Positron Neutron
TPC	0.60	2.4	0.09
Scintillators (all)	670	6.5	52
Scintillators/stave	0.17	0.0018	0.014
Lead-glass (all)	31	0.53	
Lead-glass/block	0.002	0.00003	

Backgrounds from low energy neutrons near the detector

Billy's work written up by DM

November 2022

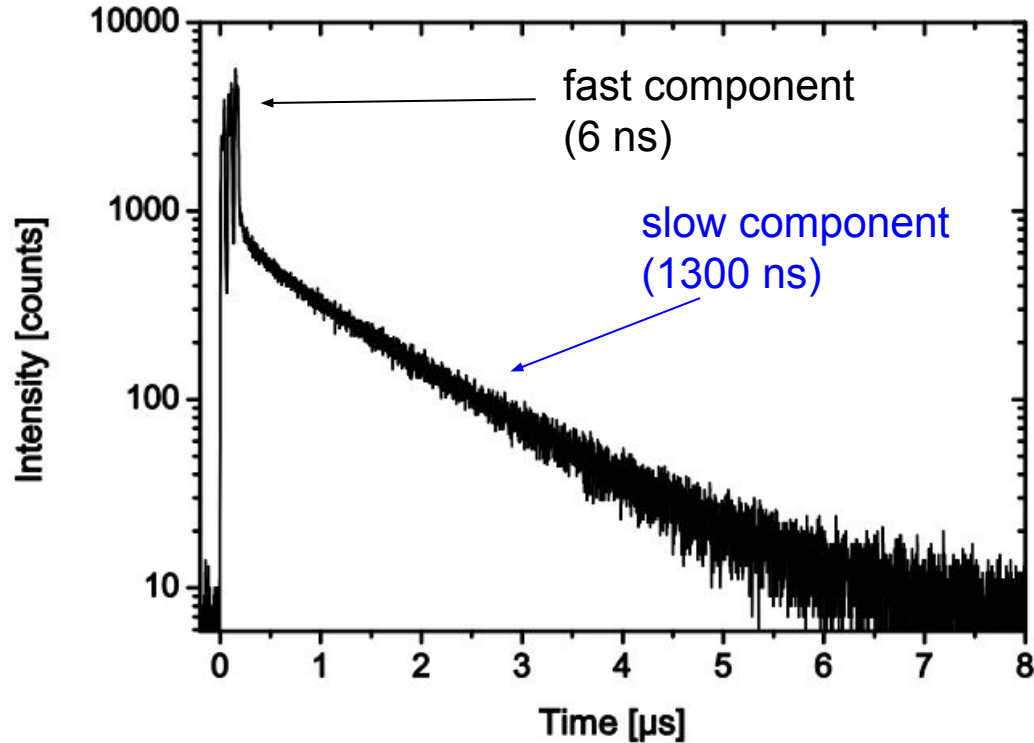
Ask Bernhard for your own copy...

Table 4: Intensity of particles entering and being produced in a detector sub-system for Configuration 3.

$$\Delta t = 1.2\text{e}3 \text{ ev} / 25\text{e-}6 \text{ us} \sim 48 \text{ MHz} \sim 20 \text{ ns}$$

in principle is doable

Time spectrum of Ar



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SiPM rise time

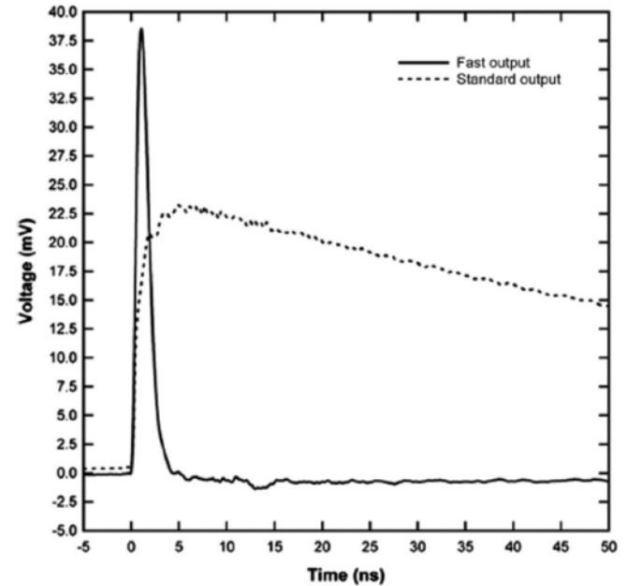


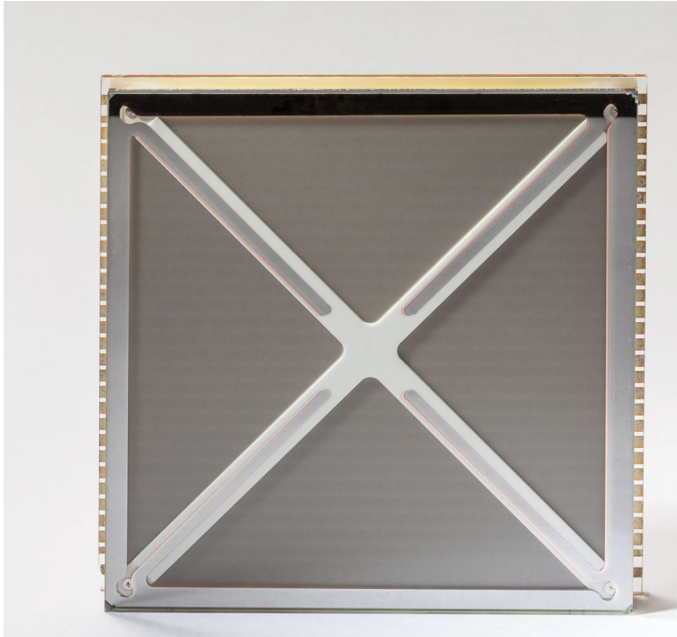
Figure 5. Example fast and standard output signals from an ON Semiconductor SiPM.

LAPPDs

- Large Area Picosecond PhotoDetector

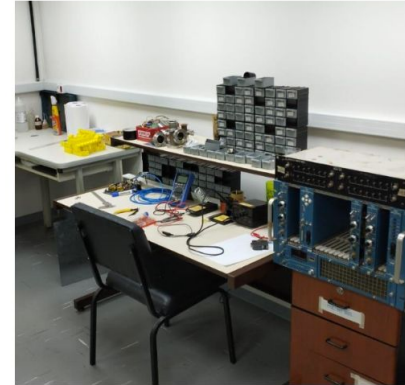
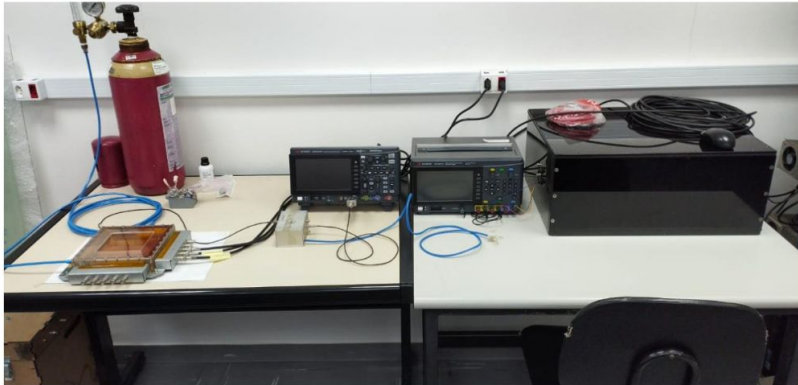
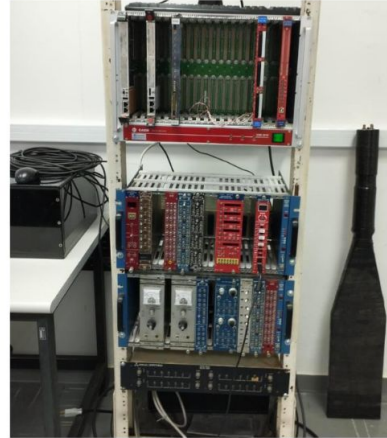


20 CM SQUARE LAPPD™



FEATURES

- ✓ Large area 200 mm x 200 mm
- ✓ Quantum Efficiency > 20% (90% uniformity)
- ✓ Chevron pair of 203 mm x 203 mm ALD-GCA-MCPs
- ✓ Gain > 1×10^7
- ✓ Independent control of voltage to the photocathode and MCPs
- ✓ High temporal resolution
- ✓ 1mm Spatial resolution
- ✓ Dark count rate less than 150 Hz/s/Cm²



TPC R&D @ UNICAMP: multipurpose chamber + GEM kit

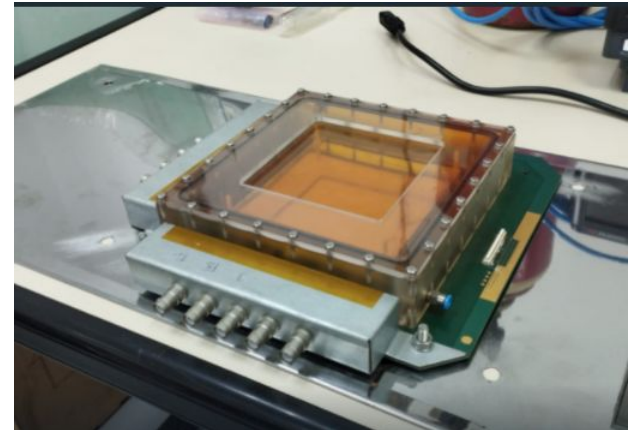
Test Chamber

- Black-box
- Vacuum ($\sim 10^{-6}$ torr)
- Cryo (LAr in the finger)

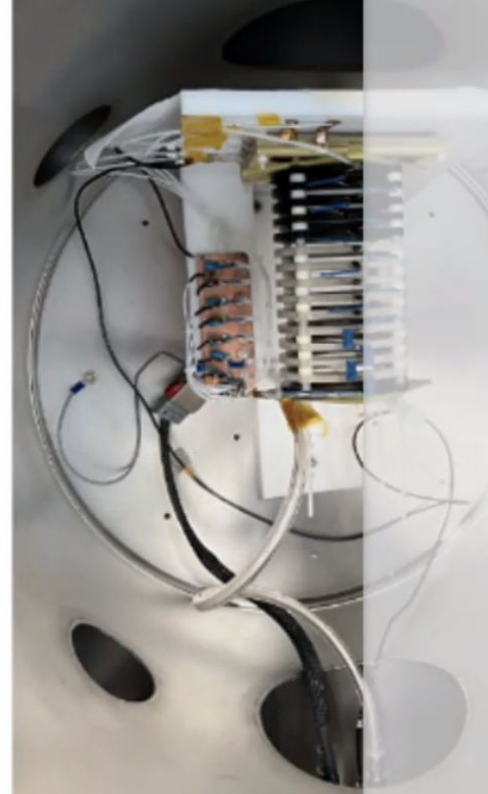
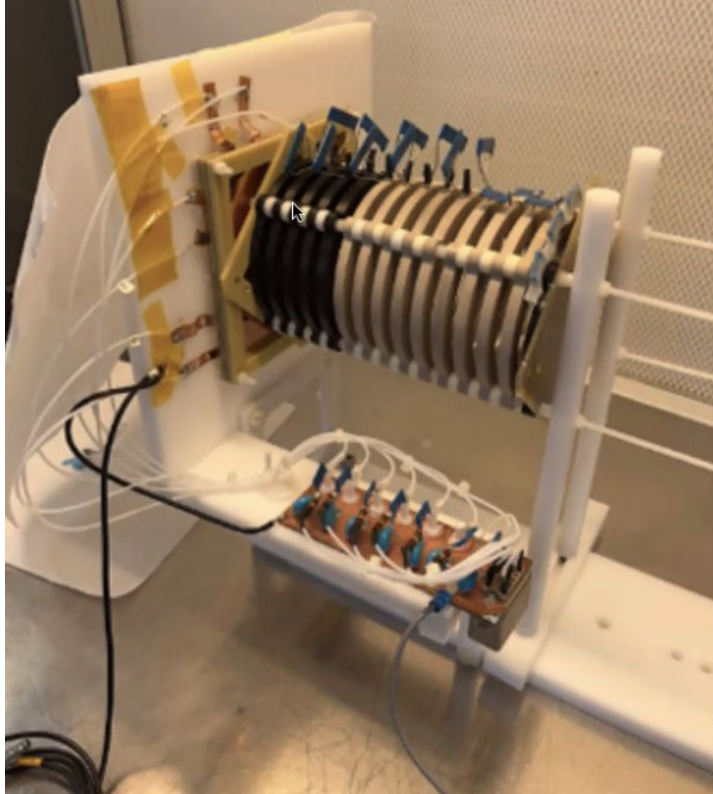


3ple GEM

- h_diam=70um,
pitch=140 um,
t_mylar=50um,
t_copper=5um,
244x244 channels



Example of how to build a TPC test prototype for R&D

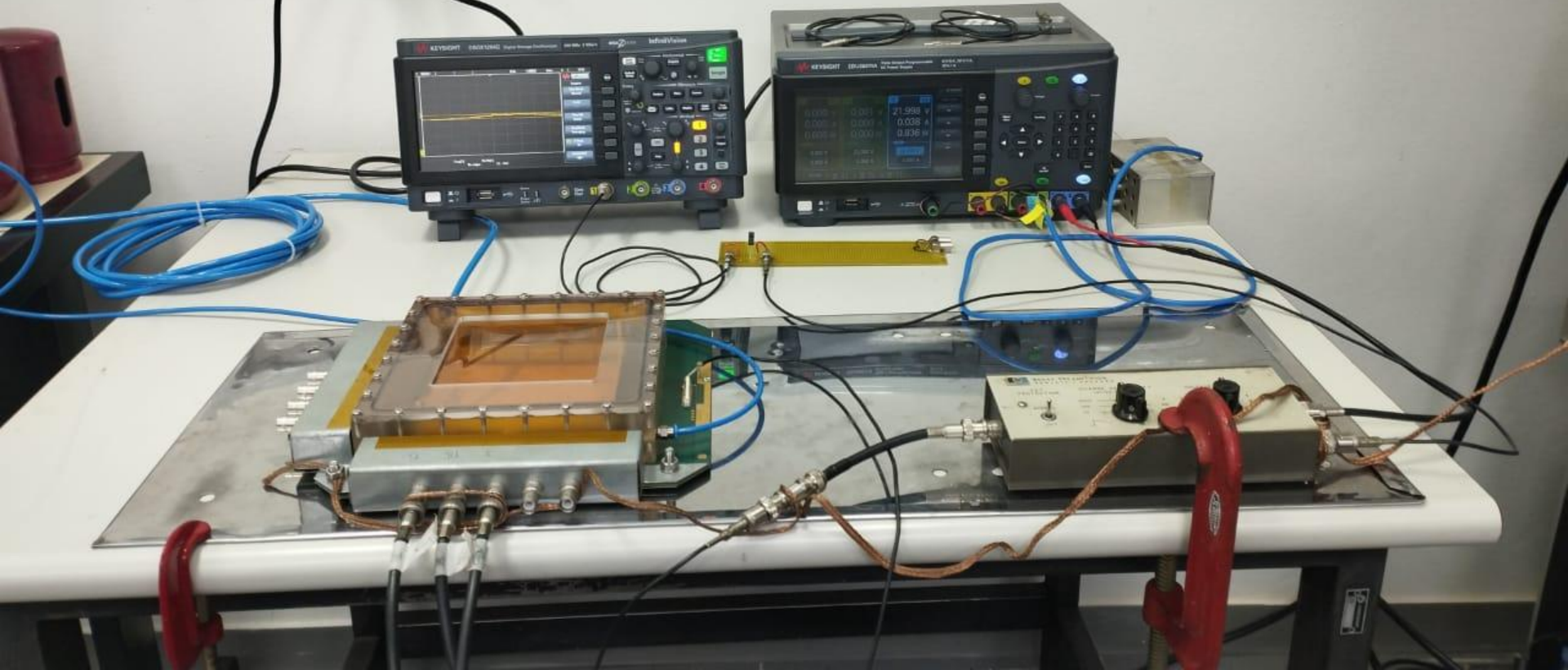


MANGO
prototype
detector

CYGNO
collaboration
(INFN - Italy)



Setup at LADEP – One single
ThickGEM
Gas Mixture – Ar/CO₂ (70/30)



Next Step

Cern Kit GEM

03 Standard GEM

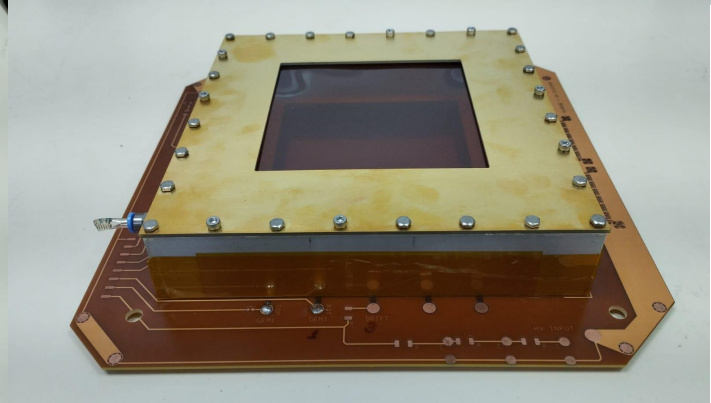
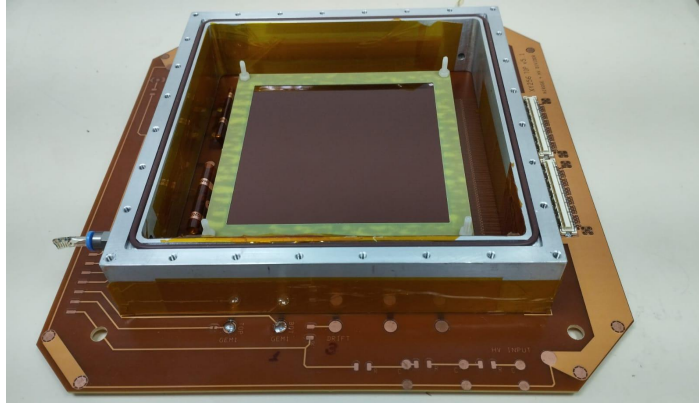
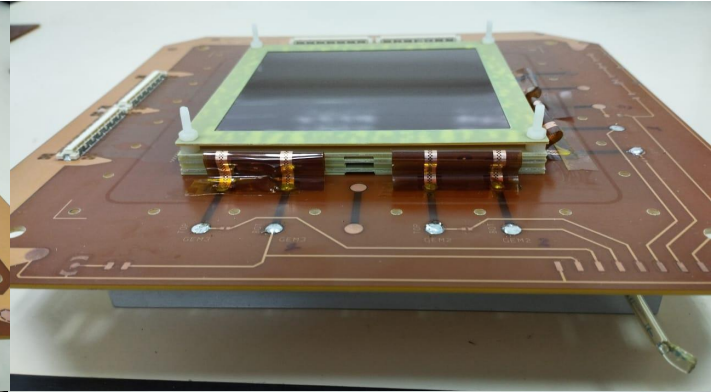
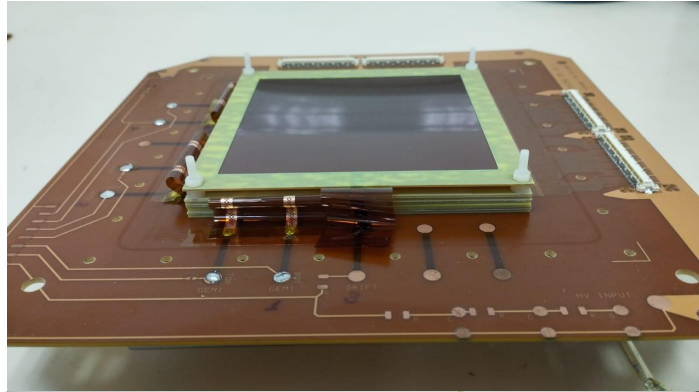
The same Spacing
used on CMS:

3mm (drift) – 1mm (B1-T2)
– 2mm (B2-T3) – 1mm
(induction)

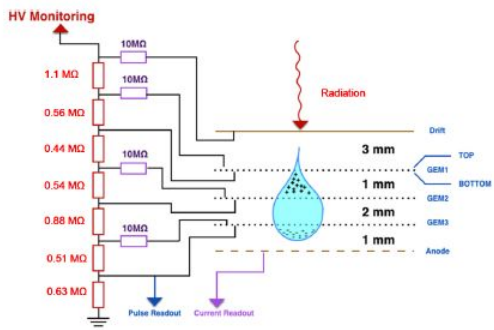
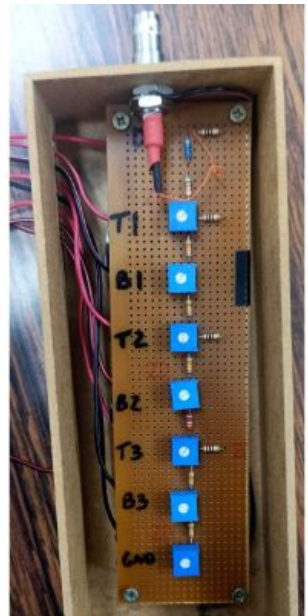
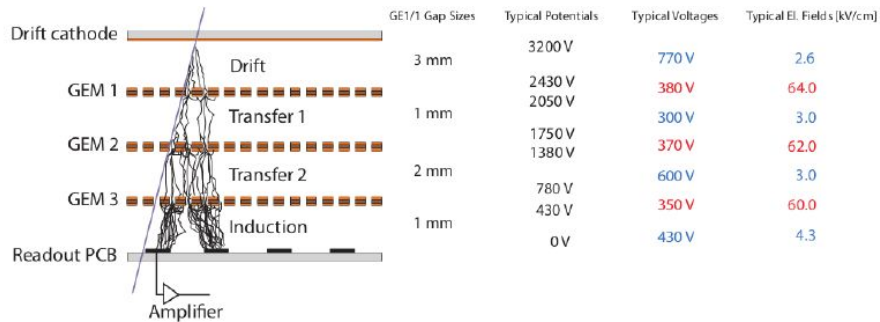
XY 256 (Readout)

Using Resistive
Chain

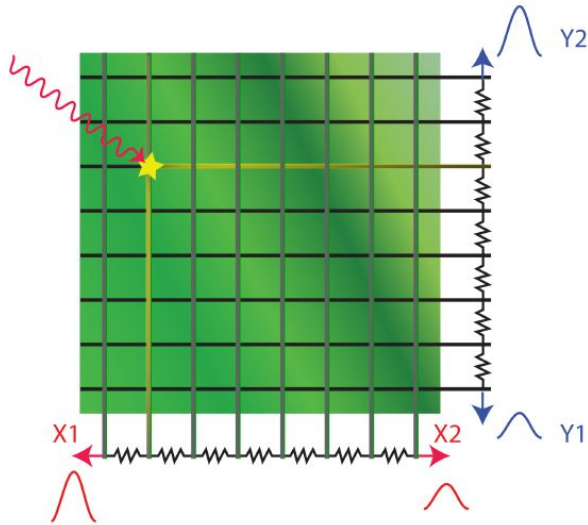
Gas Mixture – Ar/CO₂
(70/30)



Gain tests by V-scan



Readout System – Resistive Charge Division



$$x = A \frac{Q_{X2} - Q_{X1}}{Q_{X2} + Q_{X1}}, \quad y = B \frac{Q_{Y2} - Q_{Y1}}{Q_{Y2} + Q_{Y1}}$$

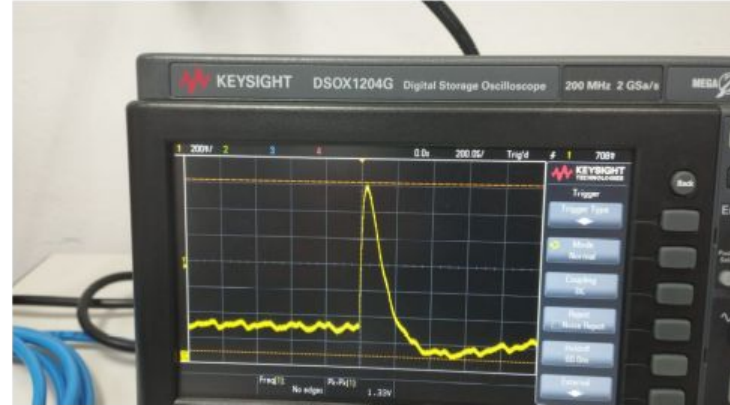


128 channels resistive chains

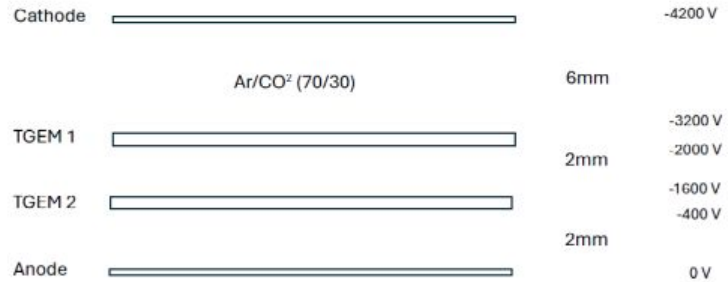
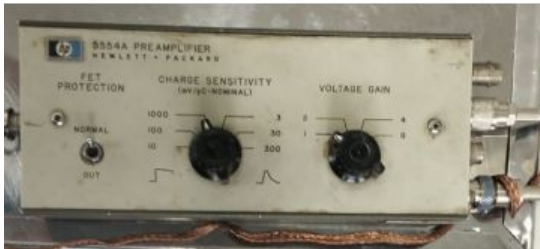
Single ThickGEM



Double ThickGEM



Charge Sensitive Preamplifier 8V/pC



GEM Next Steps

- Comprehensive characterization and comparison of GEM setups (standard, 1T, 2T)
 - Gain x V scan (different combinations)
- Test the Cern Kit GEM, using our V divider.
- Develop the readout system: simple approach using resistive chains.
- In parallel: Development of a cost effective and efficient technique to study the GEM foils holes geometry, distribution, and defects.

Equipe: E. J. T. Manganote (PVC) + G. Lickel (IC)

TPC

- Vessel has not been used for a while (since september/2023)
- Cleaned up 2 days ago
- Pumps, gas inlets, and seals checked
- Charge collection pads:
 - Optimization of zigzag geometry : Gabriel Gomes (PhD)
 - 1st step: Utilize the existing pads from the GEM setup for initial readout optimization (utilizing resistive chains).
 - In parallel: Assemble the zigzag pad (connectors and cables)
 - **simulations are an ongoing activity at UERJ (Jorge Amaral)**
- Fast Simulation implementation of the TPC:
Joelson C. Silva (MsC) + **André A. Nepomuceno (UFF)**
- Eletrônica de leitura: Vitor Palaveri (IC) + **Tiago Quirino (UERJ)**

THANK YOU

