

DETECTORS FOR HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS

Part 4



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OVERVIEW

I. Detectors for Particle Physics

II. Interaction with Matter

III. Calorimeters

IV. Tracking Detectors

- Gas detectors
- Semiconductor trackers
- Muon detectors

V. Examples from the real life

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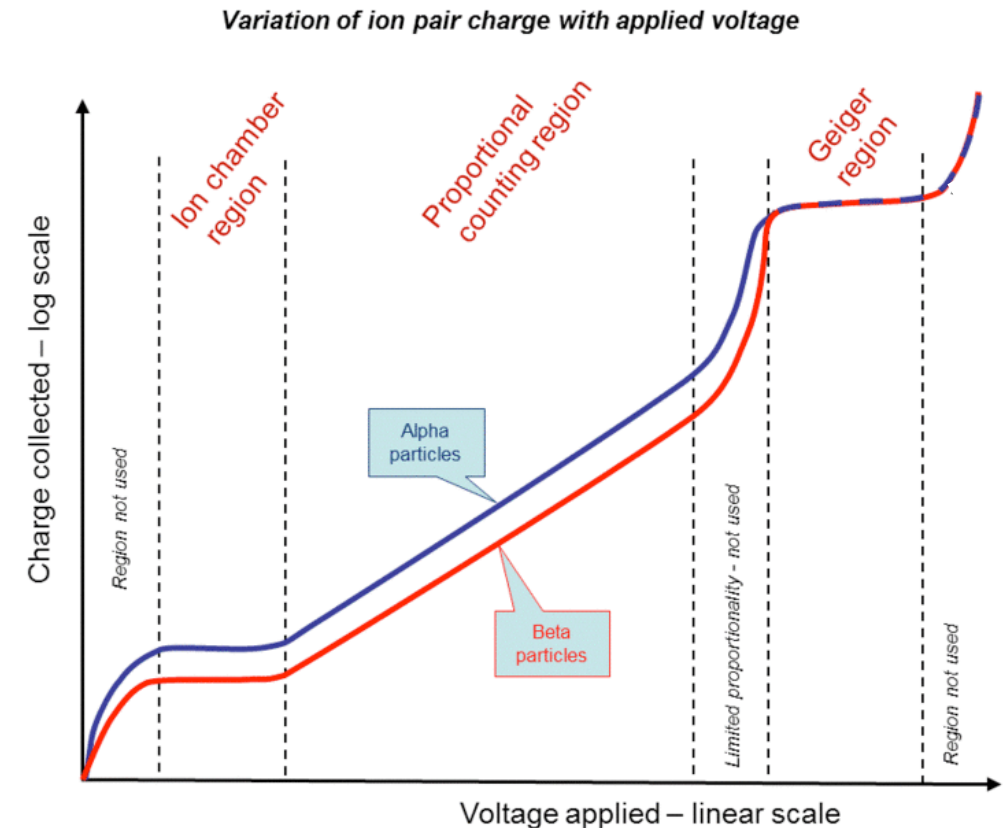
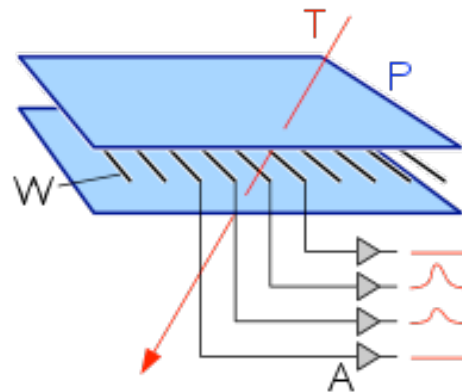
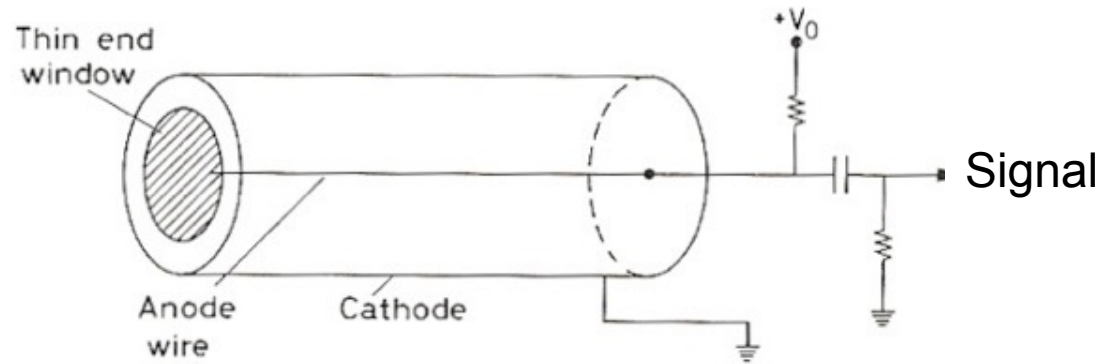
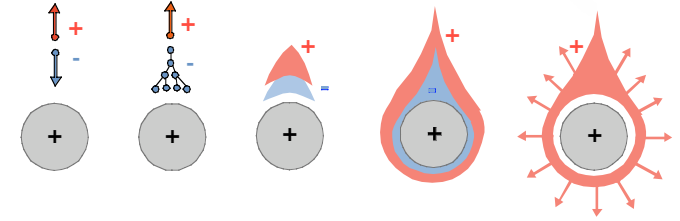
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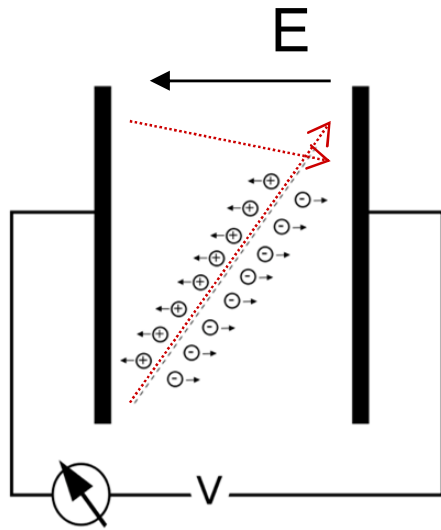
IV.B GAS-DETECTORS

ANOTHER CLASSIC: IONISATION CHAMBER

- Passage of particles creates within the gas volume electron-ion pair (ionisation)
- Electrons are accelerated in a strong electric field -> amplification
- The signal is proportional to the original deposited charge or is saturated (depending on the voltage)



PROPORTIONAL CHAMBER

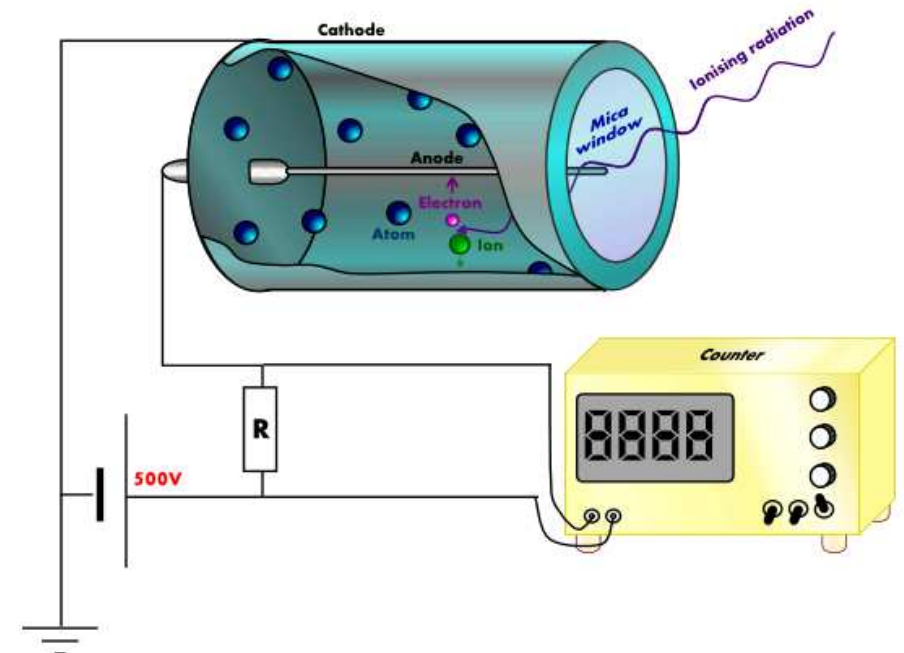


Disadvantage of planar design:

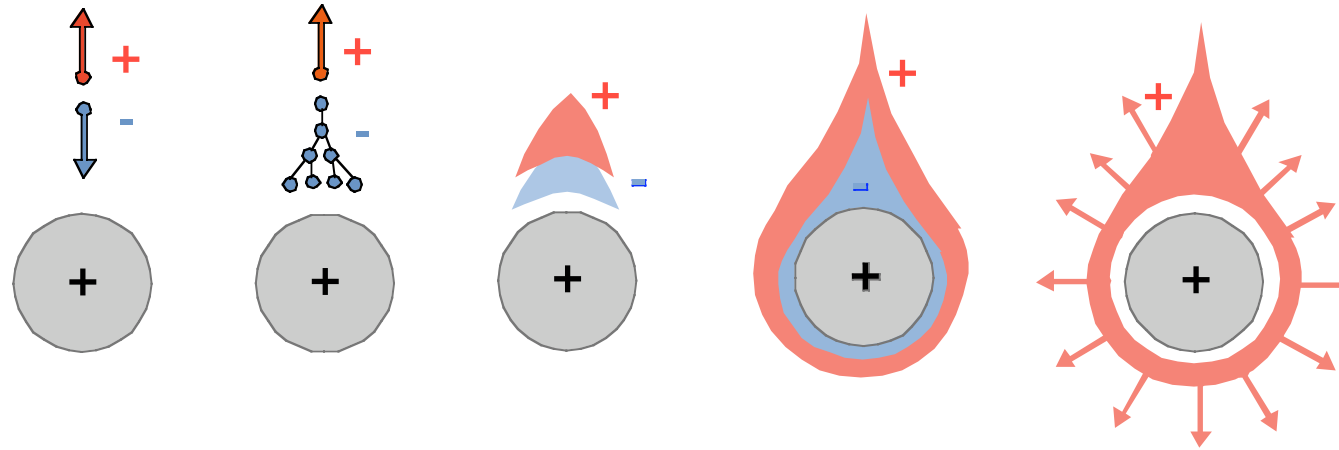
- E uniform and \perp to the electrodes:
- amount of ionisation produced proportional to path length and to position where the ionisation occurs
-> not proportional to energy

Problem solved using **Cylindrical proportional counter:**

- Single anode wire in a cylindrical cathode
- $E \sim 1/r$: weak field far from the wire electrons/ions drift in the volume multiplication occurs only near the anode



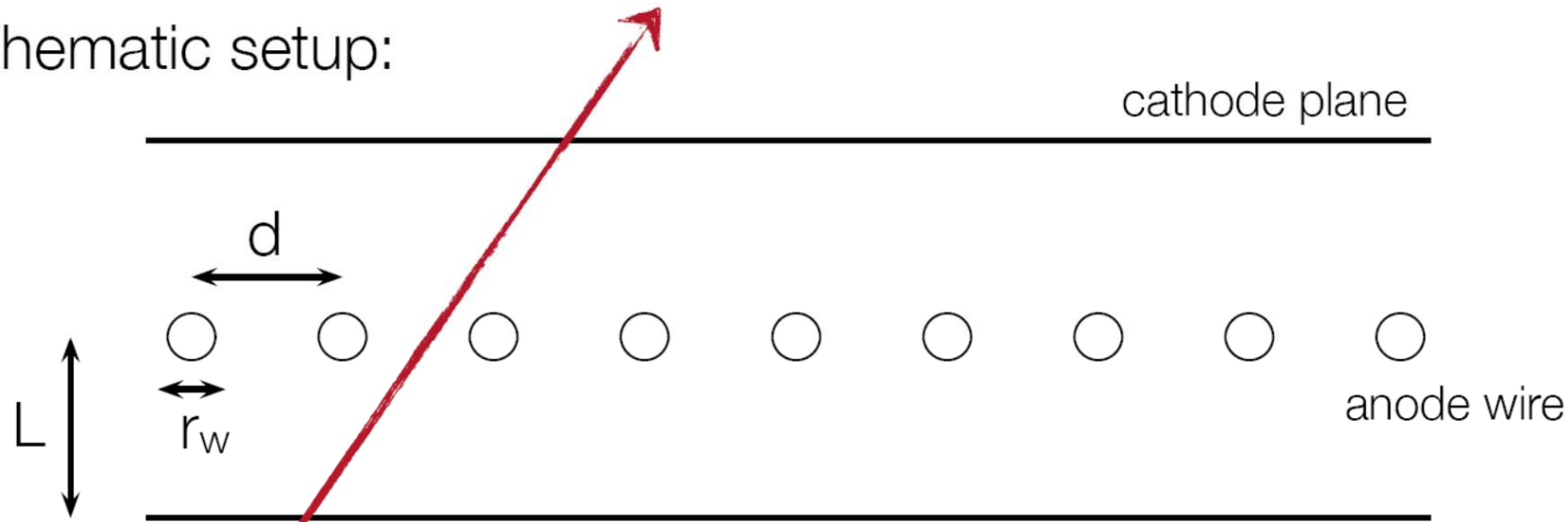
TIME DEVELOPMENT OF THE SIGNAL



- The signal on the electrodes is **induced by the movement of ions and electrons as they drift towards the cathode and anode** respectively rather than by collection of charge at the electrodes
- The electrons are collected very fast (in $\sim 1\text{ns}$) while drifting over the few mm drift distance, while the positive ions drift slowly towards the cathode.
- It is the **ion drift** which determines the time development and the size of the induced signal. The electrons induce very little signal.

MULTI-WIRE-PROPORTIONAL CHAMBER

Schematic setup:



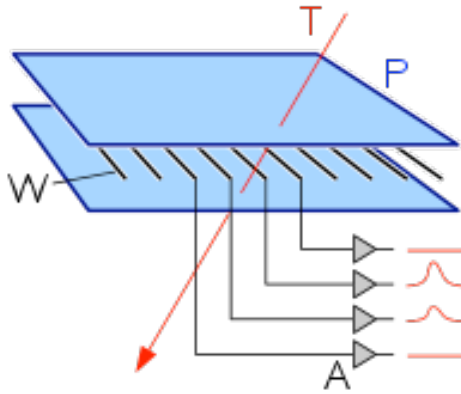
Parameters:

- $d = 2 - 4 \text{ mm}$
- $r_w = 20 - 25 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$
- $L = 3 - 6 \text{ mm}$
- $U_0 = \text{several kV}$
- Total area: $O(\text{m}^2)$

Features:

- Tracking of charged particles
- Some PID capabilities via dE/dx
- Large area coverage
- High rate capabilities

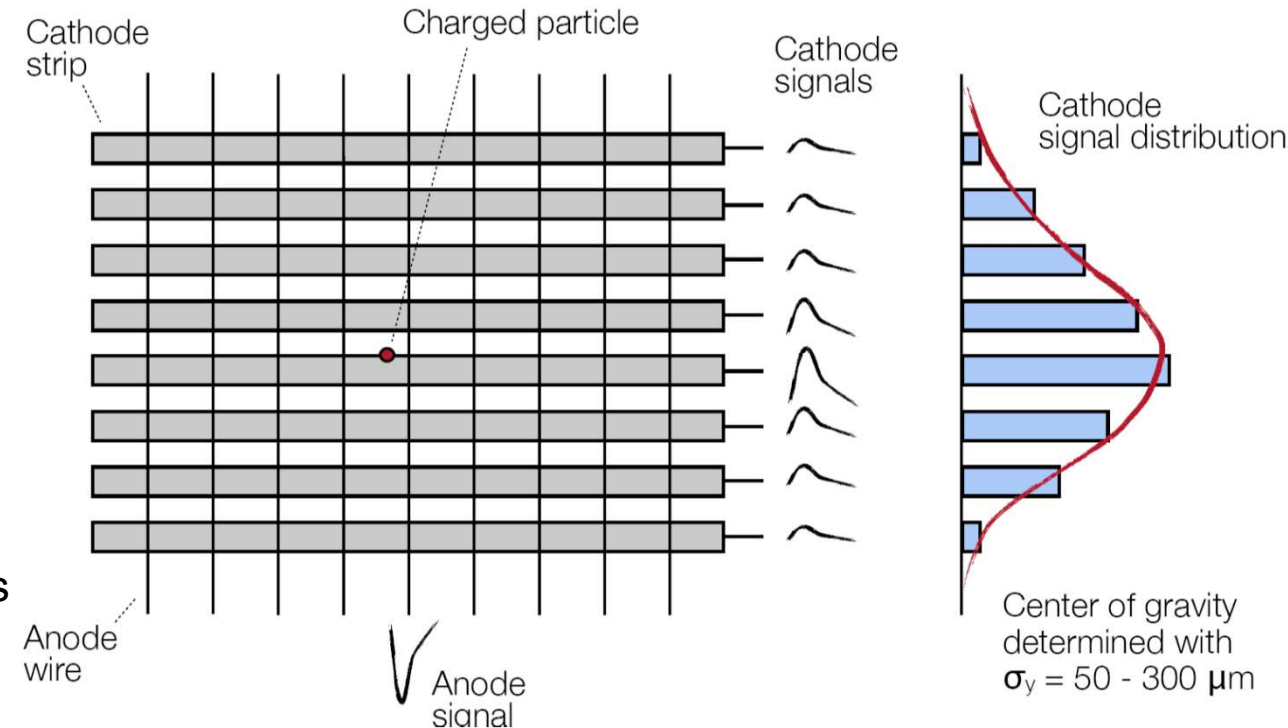
SIGNAL IN MWPC



Signal generation:

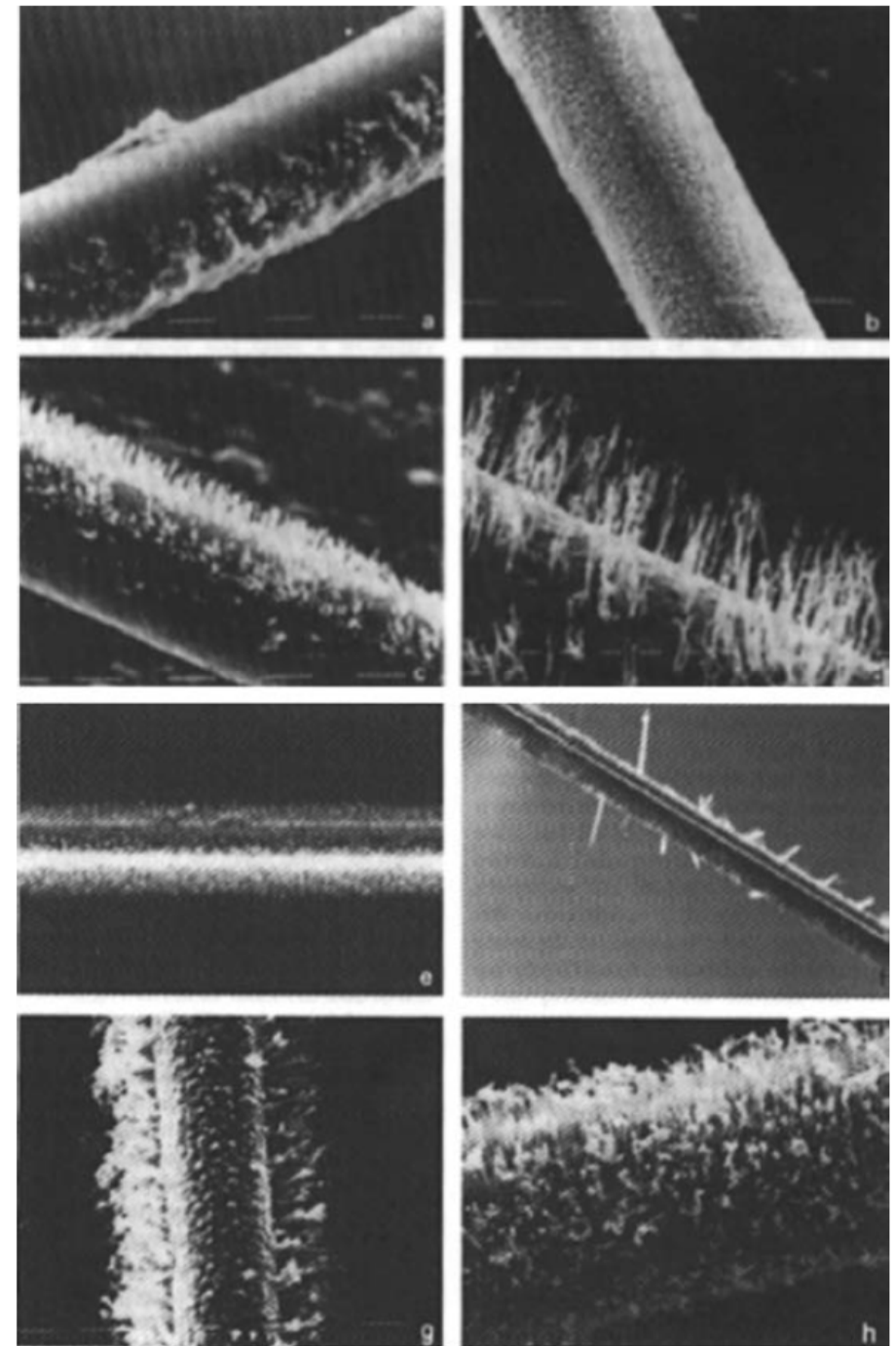
- Electrons drift to closest wire
- Gas amplification near wire → avalanche Signal generation due to electrons and **mainly slow ions**

- Only information about closest wire
→ $\sigma_x = d/\sqrt{12}$
[Only one dimension information]
- **Possible improvements:** - segmented cathode
 - 2-dim.: use 2 MWPCs with different orientation
 - 3-dim.: several layers of such X-Y-MWPC combinations [tracking]



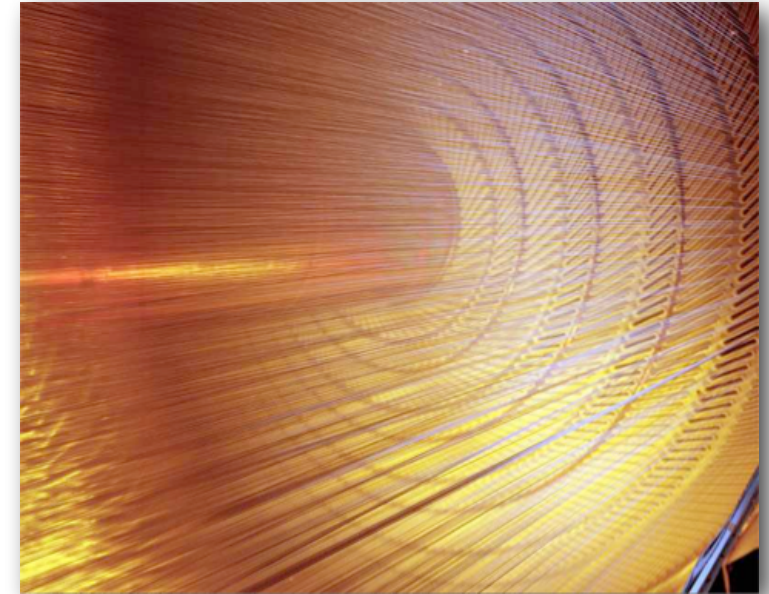
AGEING IN WIRE CHAMBERS

- Avalanche formation can be considered as micro plasma discharge.
- Consequence:
 - Formation of radical i.e. molecular fragments
 - Polymerisation yield long chains of molecules
 - Polymers may be attached to the electrodes
 - Reduction of gas amplification
- Important: Avoid unnecessary contamination such as
 - Halogens or halogen compounds
 - Silicon compounds
 - Carbonates, halocarbons
 - Polymers
 - Oil, fat



ADDING TIME: DRIFT CHAMBER

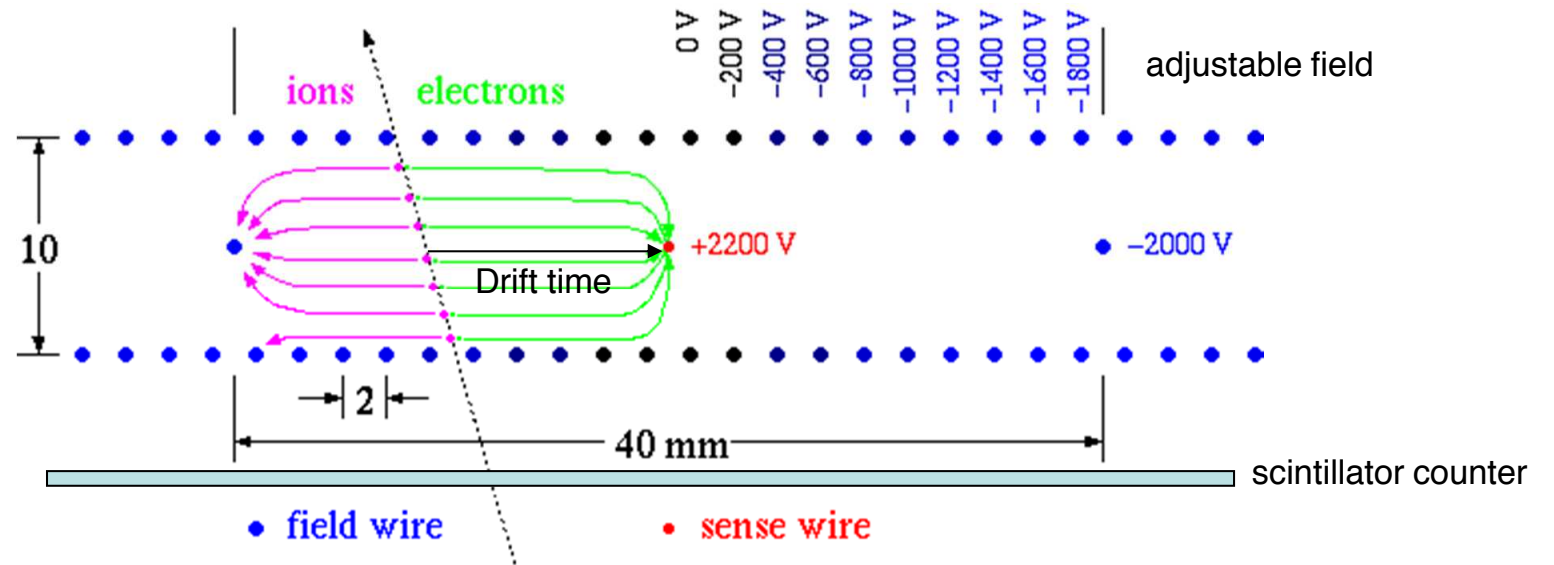
- Alternative way to obtain spatial information: **measure the electrons drift time:**
 - time measurement started by an external (fast) detector, i.e. scintillator counter
 - electrons drift to the anode (sense wire), in the field created by the cathodes with constant velocity
 - the electron arrival at the anode stops the time measurement
 - one-coordinate measurement:



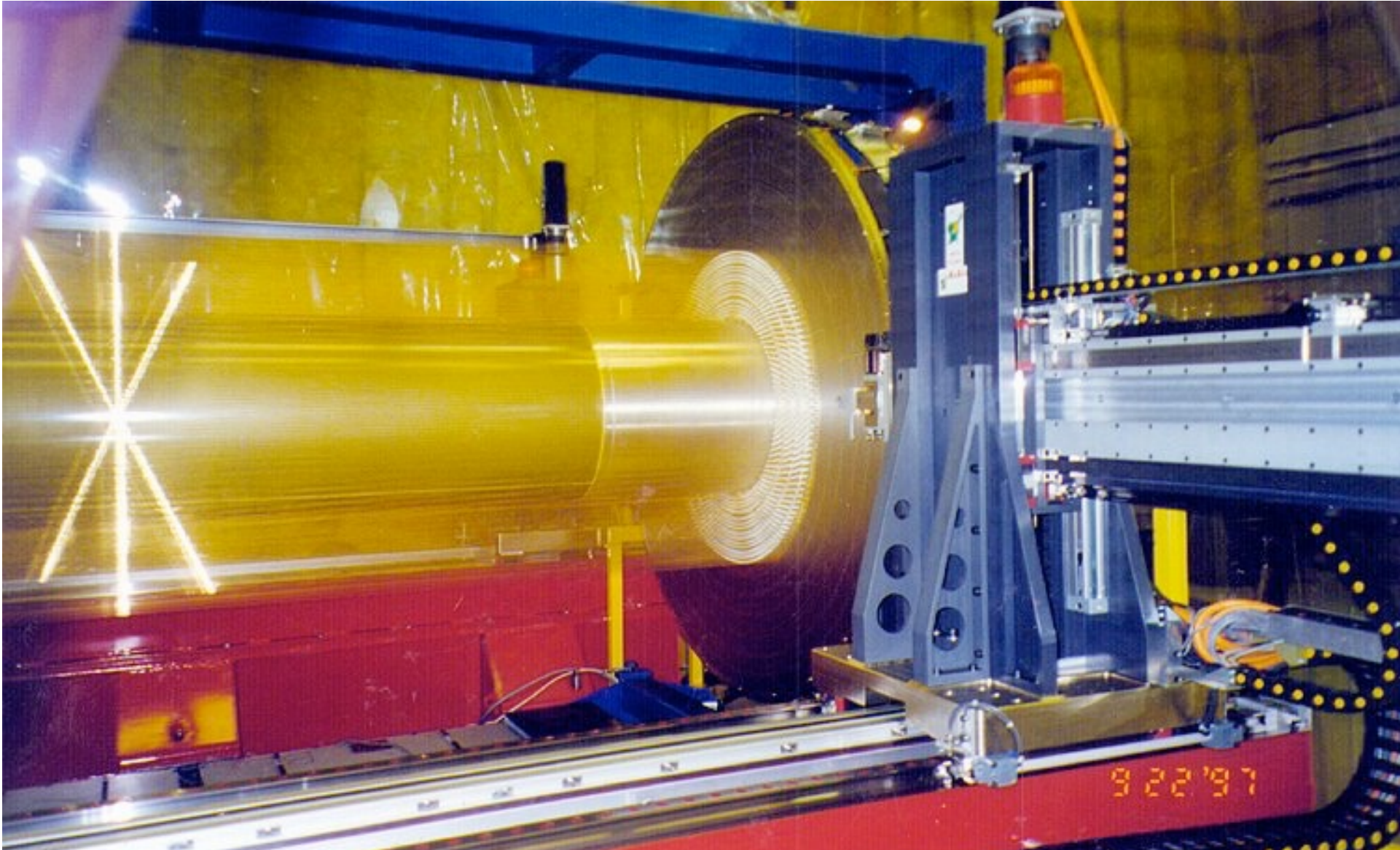
Wire chamber CDF (@Tevatron)

$$x = \int_0^{t_D} v_D dt$$

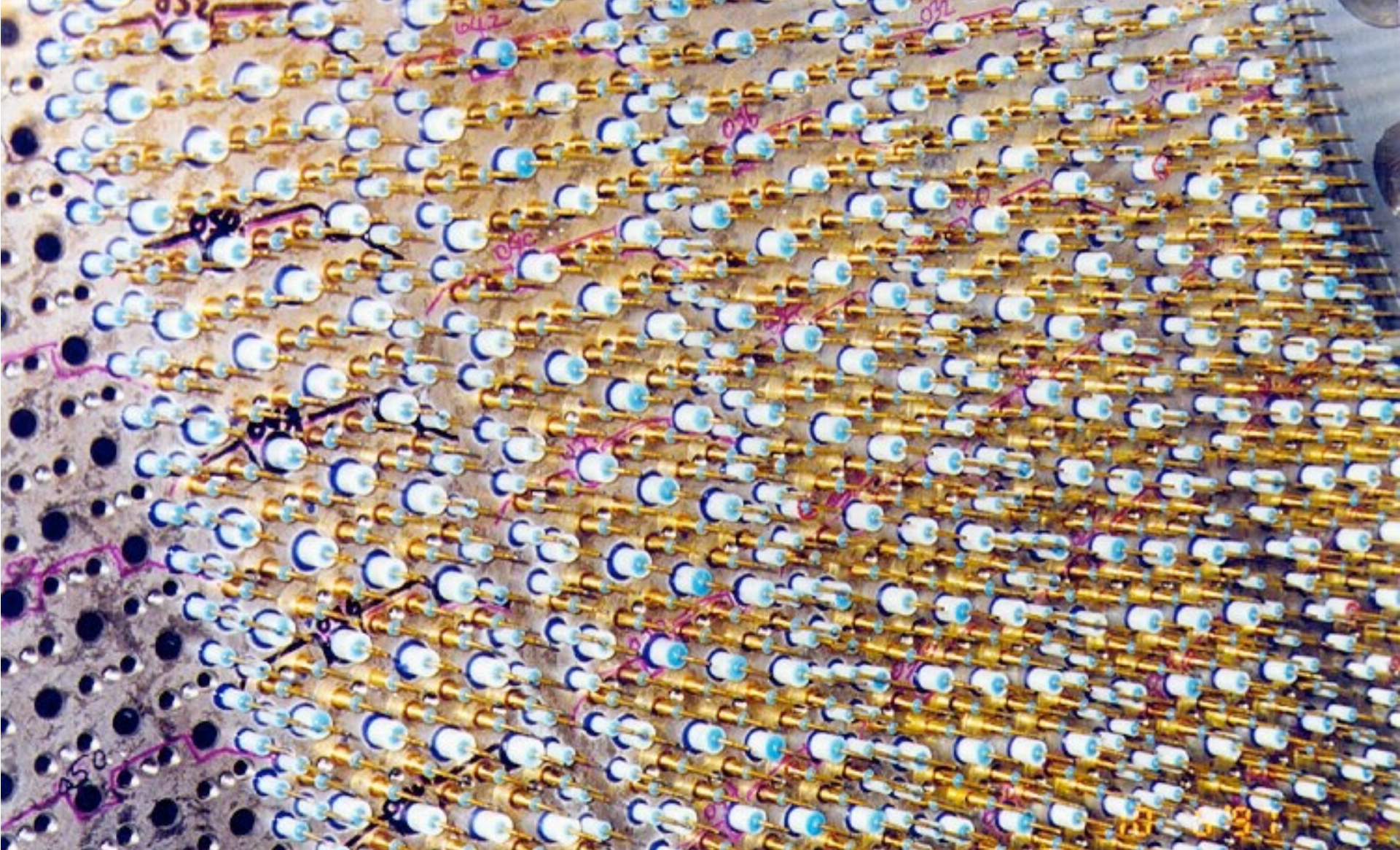
velocity $\vec{v}_D = \mu_{\pm} |\vec{E}|$
 μ_{+} mobility



WIRE STRINGING IN PROGRESS



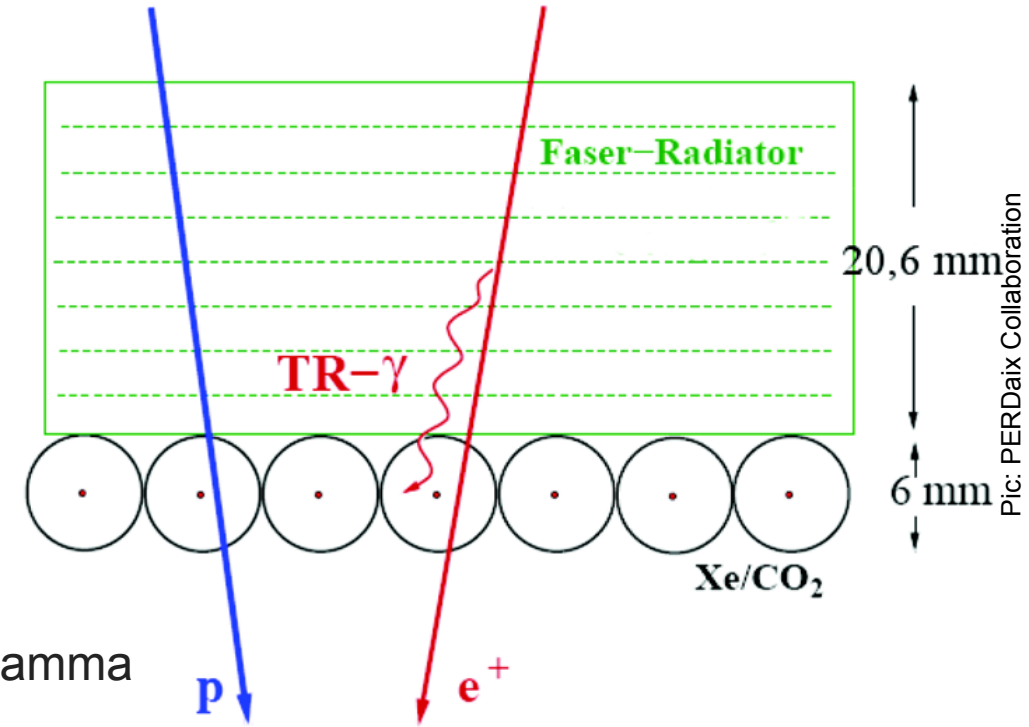
END PLATE CLOSE UP



TRANSITION RADIATION

Transition Radiation

- Produced by relativistic charged particles when they cross the interface of two media of different refraction indices
- Can be explained by re-arrangement of electric field
- Energy loss at a boundary is proportional to the relativistic gamma factor.
- A significant amount of transition radiation is produced for a gamma greater then 1000.
- Gamma factor of protons is, up to a momentum of 5GeV, still in the order of 10.
- Positron's gamma is greater than 1000 starting at 0.5GeV momentum.



$$I \propto m\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \beta^2)}}$$

=> particle identification

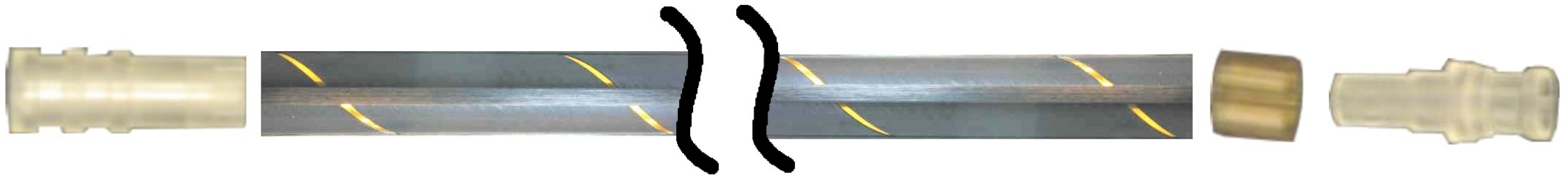
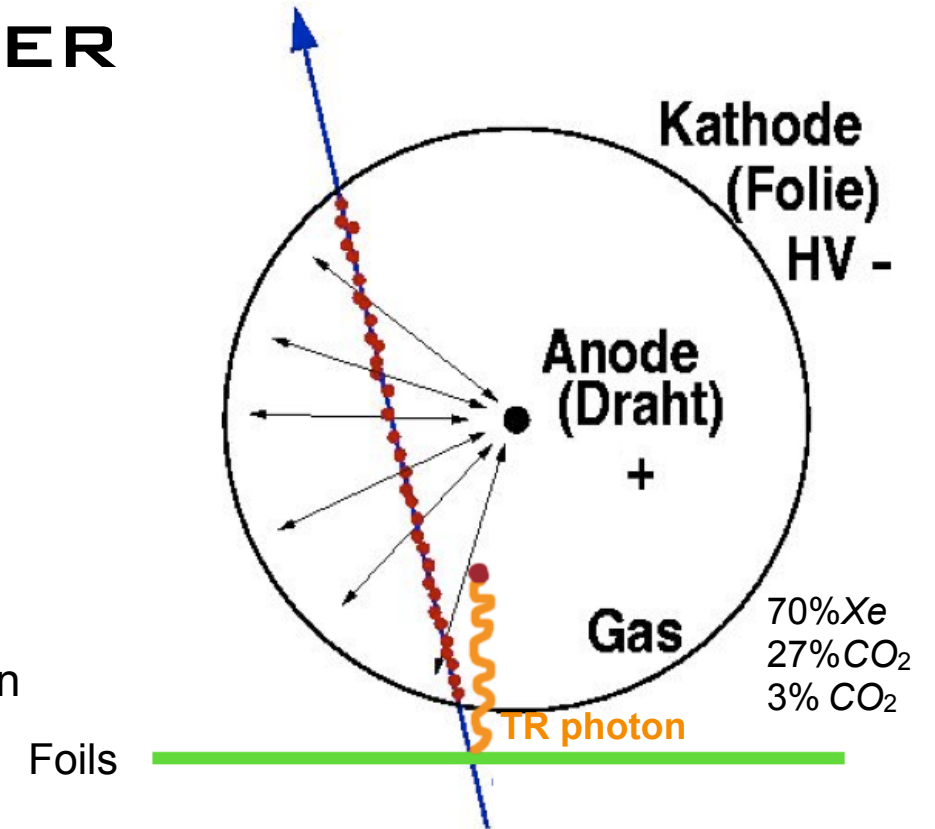
TRANSITION RADIATION TRACKER

Signal formation

- charged particles ionize the gas
- electrons drift towards the wire
- gas amplification avalanche
- first arrival determines drift time

Signal readout

- signal gets amplified
- sampled in 24 time bins of 3.12 ns
- each time bin compared against threshold (≈ 300 eV): 24-bit pattern
- buffered in 6- μ s readout pipeline
- passed on to central ATLAS DAQ



allows self supporting structures

ATLAS TRT

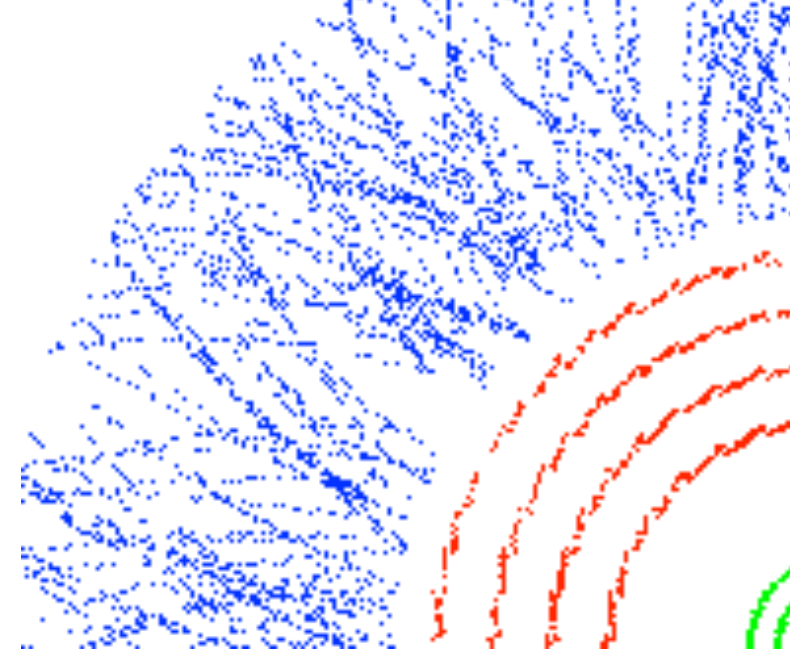
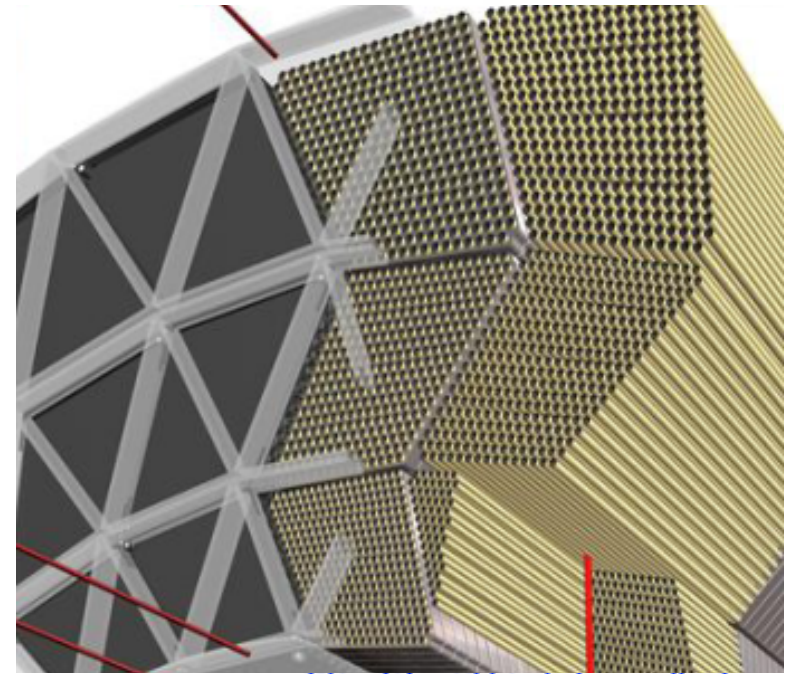
- Many thin radiator fibres/foils increase emission probability
- Xenon gas acts as X-ray absorber
- Ternary readout electronics register high-threshold hits (6 keV) sampled in 25-ns time bins

TRT Barrel

- longitudinal straws of 1.5 m length
- three layers of 32 modules each, 52 544 straws
- wires electrically split, read out on both sides
- ranging from $r = 0.5$ m to $r = 1.1$ m, covering $|\eta| < 1$

TRT Endcap A and C

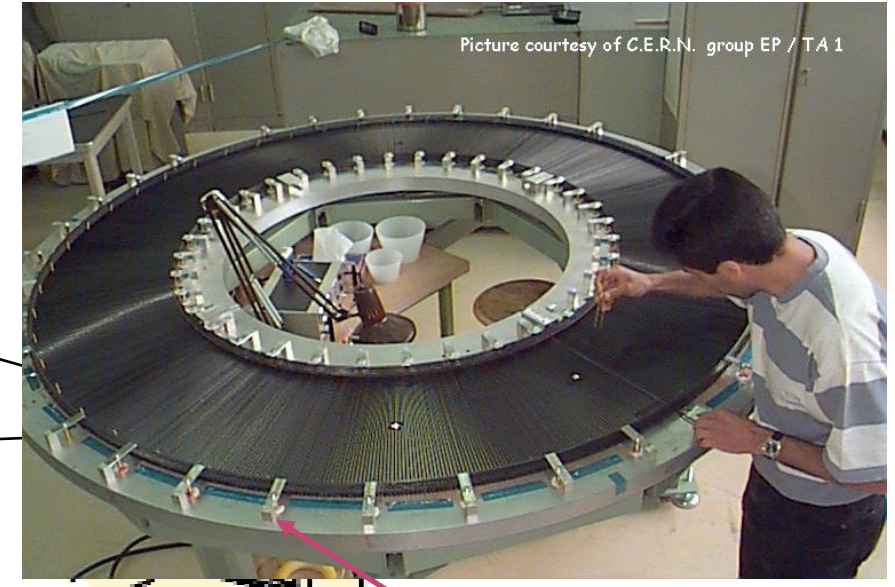
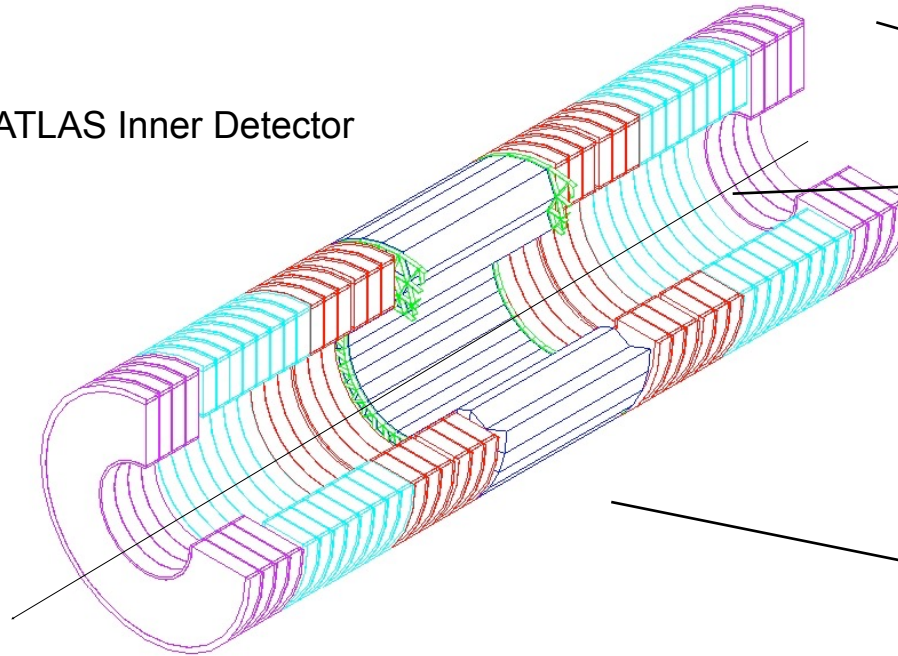
- radial straws of 0.4 m length
- 8 inner wheels, 12 outer wheels per side, 122 880 straws
- wires read out at their outer end
- ranging from $|z| = 0.8$ m to $|z| = 2.7$ m, covering $1 < |\eta| < 2$



A STACK OF STRAWS

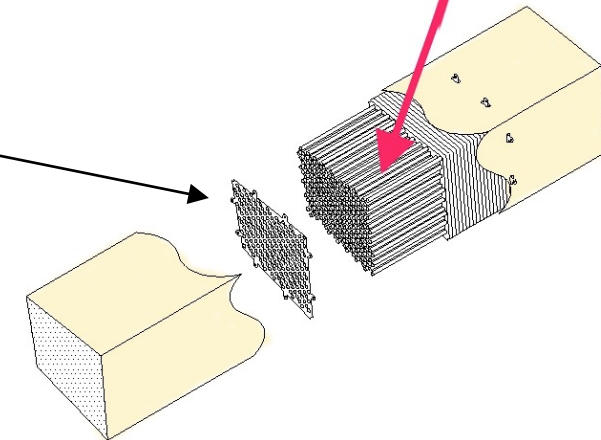
Endcap (~32000 straws)
radial from beam axis

ATLAS Inner Detector

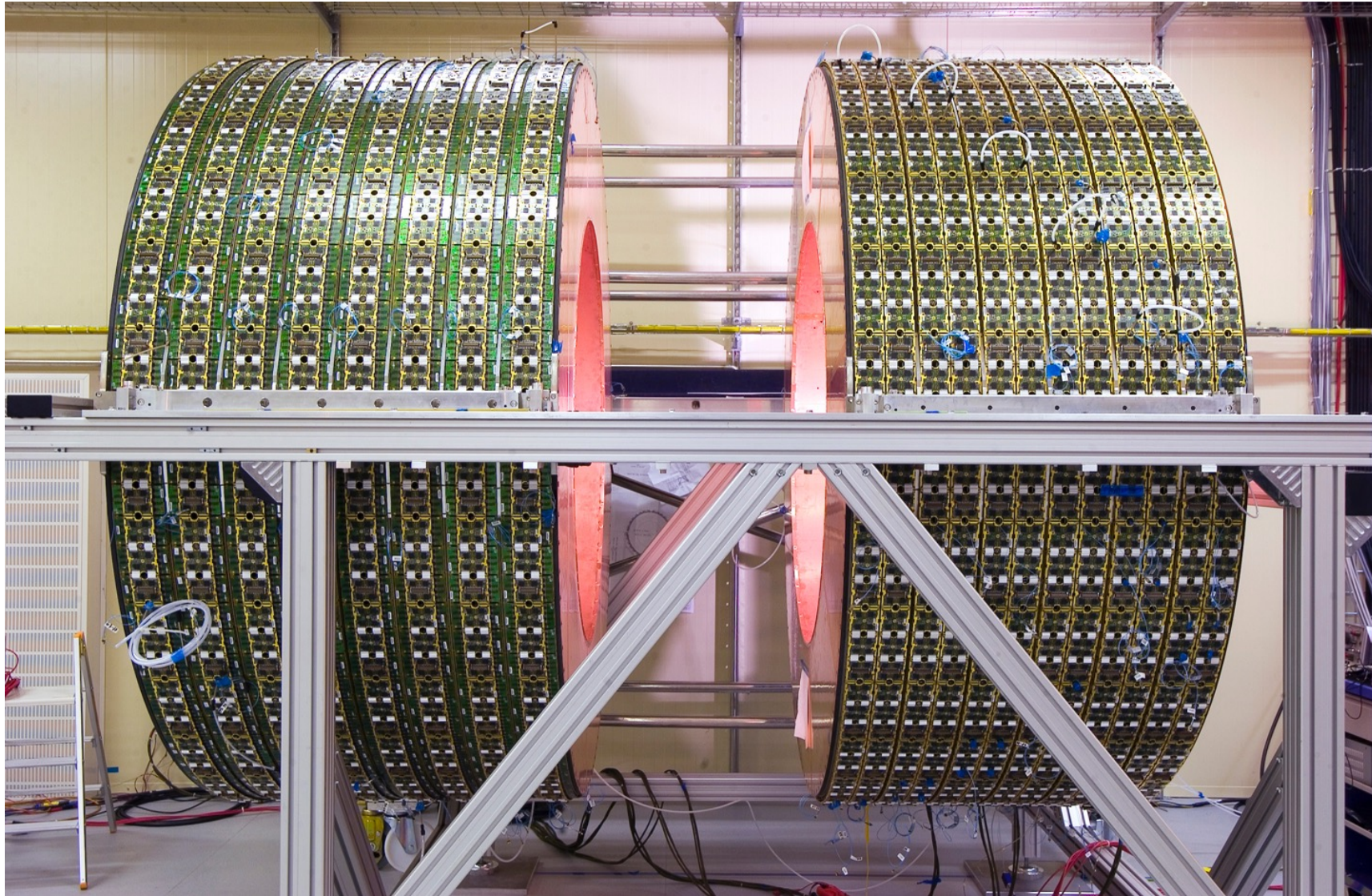


straws

Barrel (~10000 straws)
parallel to beam axis

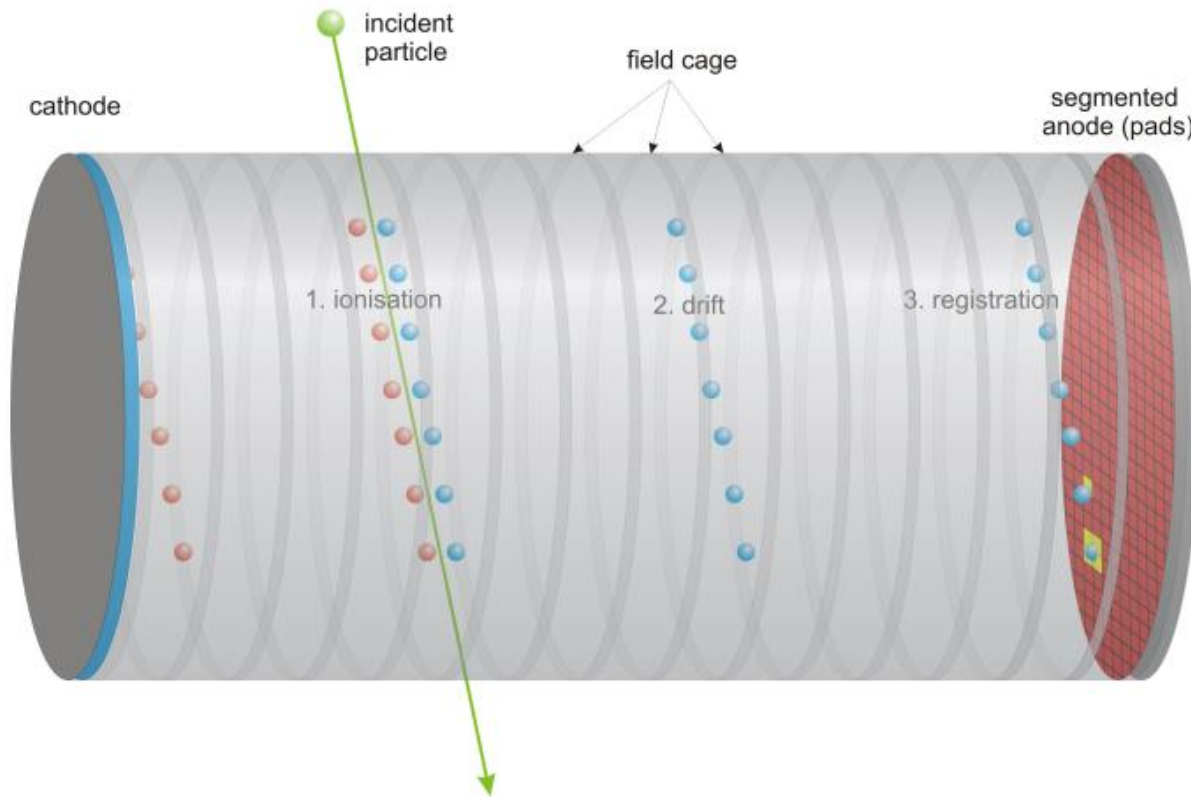


THE FIRST ATLAS TRT END-CAP (3 AUG 2005)



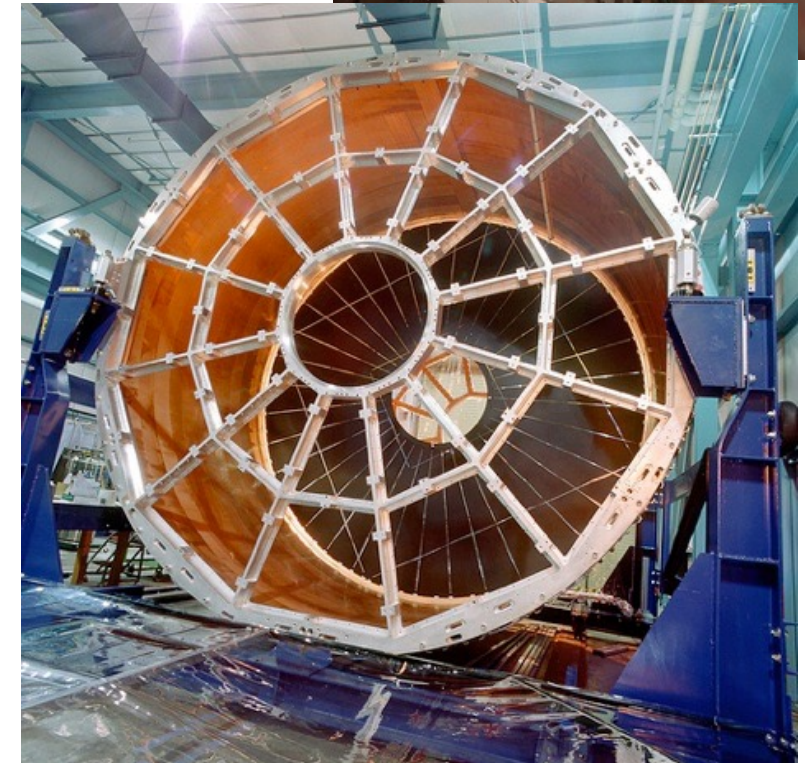
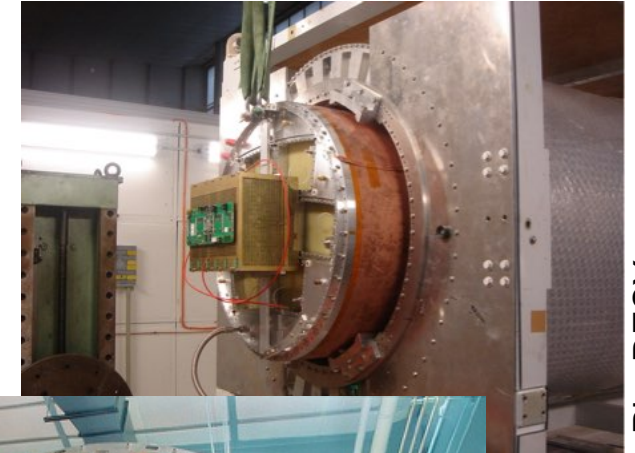
TPC- TIME PROJECTION CHAMBER: 3D

- Combination of the the 2D track information and the time results in a real 3D point



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- Readout of the anode usually with multi wire projection chambers
- Nowadays new developments under way.

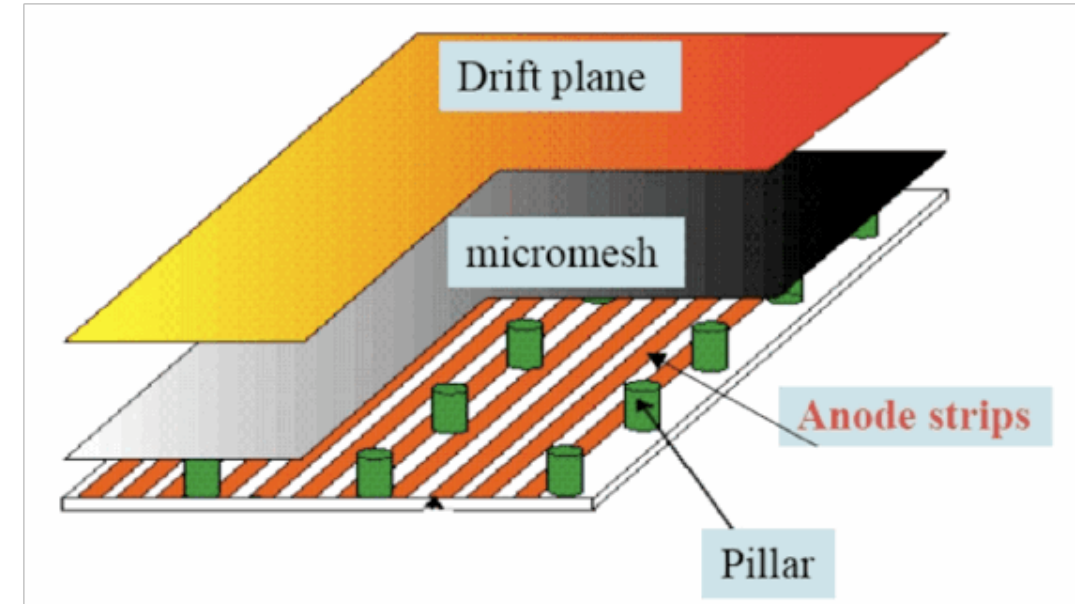
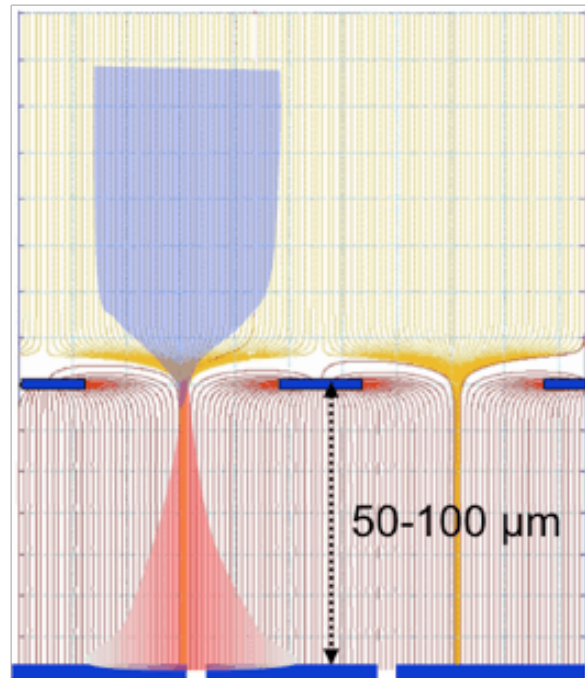


NEW DEVELOPMENTS

- Largely improved spacial resolution and higher particle rates:

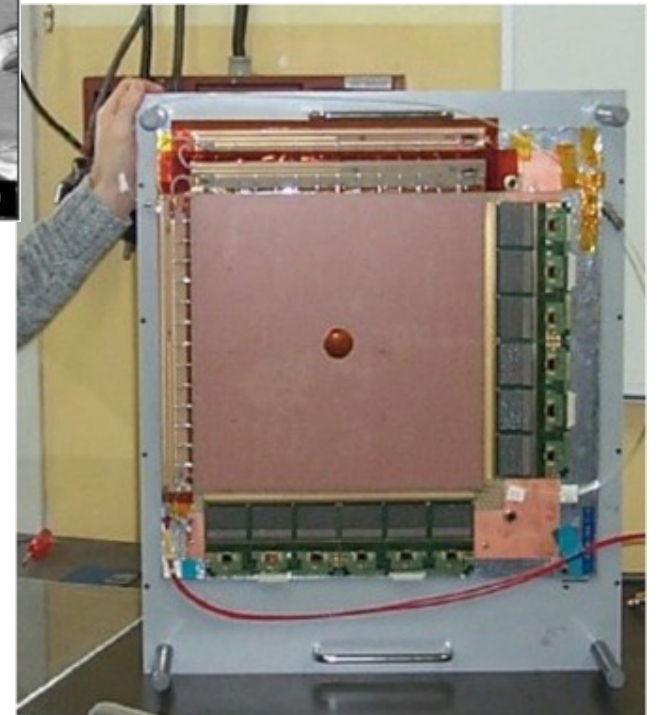
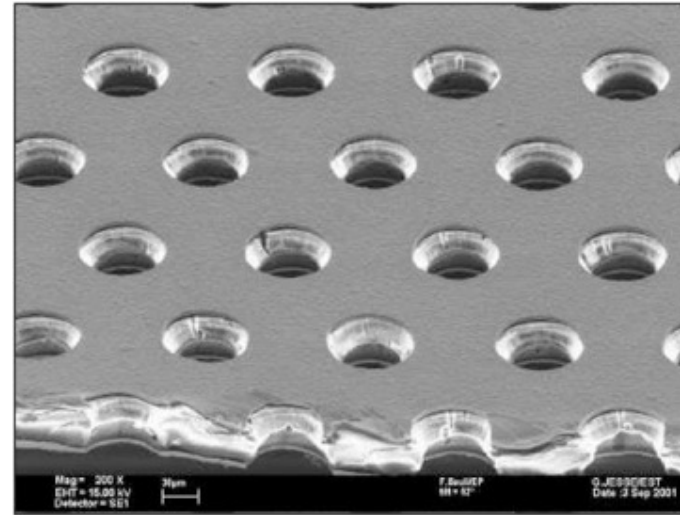
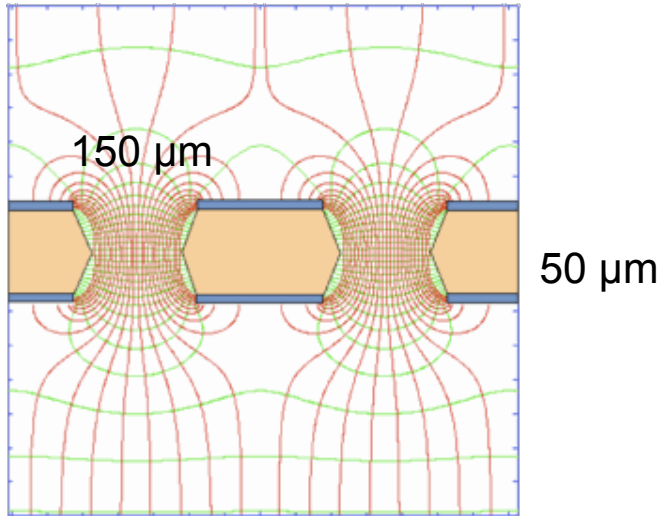
Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors

- a number of developments were started, some with a lot of problems
- two technologies are currently the most successful: GEMs and MicroMegas
- MicroMegas: Avalanche amplification in a small gap



NEW DEVELOPMENTS

- GEM: Gas Electron Multiplier: Gas amplification in small holes in a special foil

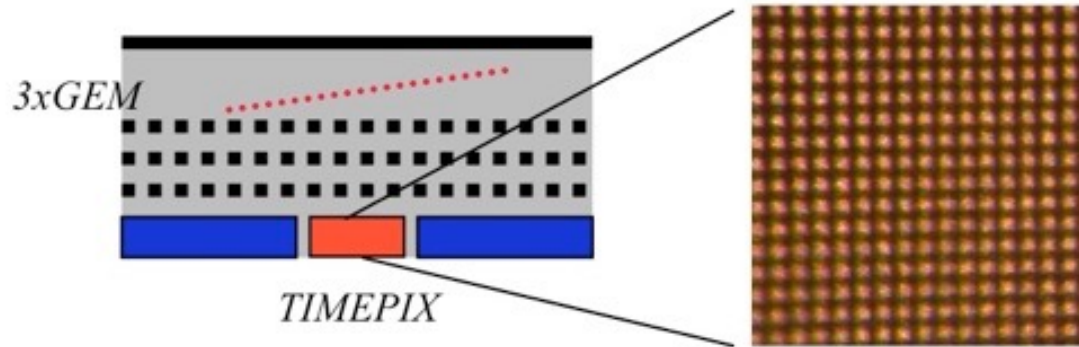


Charge collection on two separate levels: 2D structure possible: separation of amplification and read out

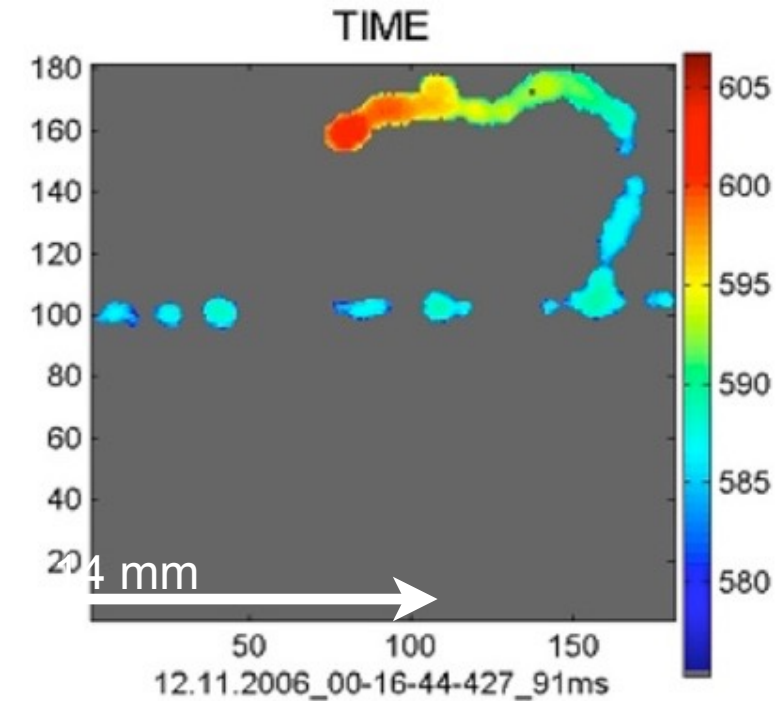
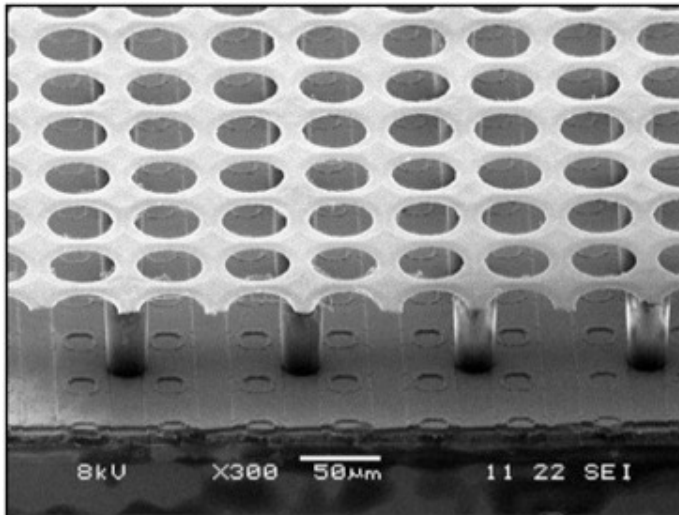
Both technologies, MicroMegas and GEMs are used in experiments. Typical spatial resolution: $\sim 70 \mu\text{m}$

MPGDs AS NEXT GENERATION DETECTOR

- Combination of gas detectors and Silicon
 - Integration of MPGDs with pixel read out chips



- Amplification and read out made of silicon



Advantages of gas detectors:

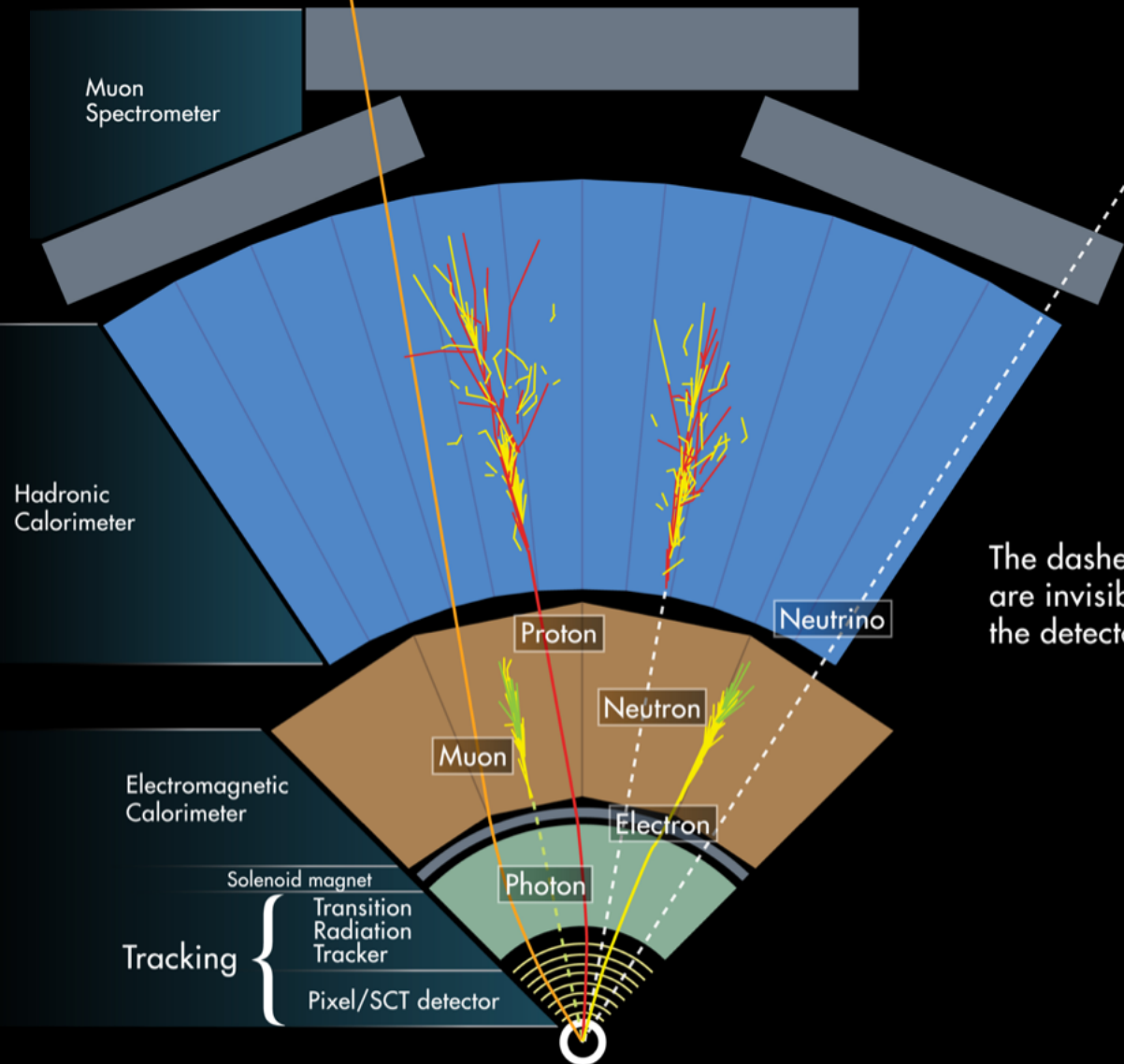
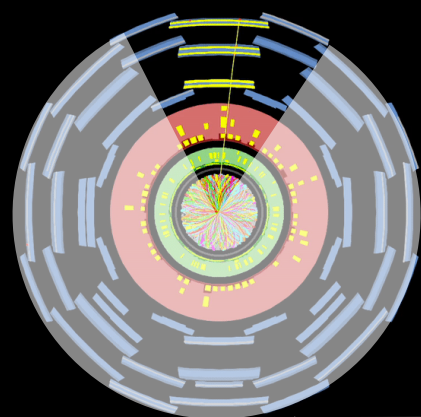
- Low radiation length
- Gas can be replaced regularly: Reduction of radiation damages!

SUMMARY TRACKING DETECTORS

- Tracking detectors are playing an important role in HEP since the late 50ties
- Starting with bubble chamber the development of tracking detectors was rather rapidly
- Modern gas detectors and silicon trackers play an equal important role in HEP
- LHC silicon trackers are used for the inner systems while gas detector dominate the outer tracking systems (muon detectors)
- The technologies are rapidly evolving giving hope to have really fancy detectors for example for the future LC



MUON SPECTROMETER

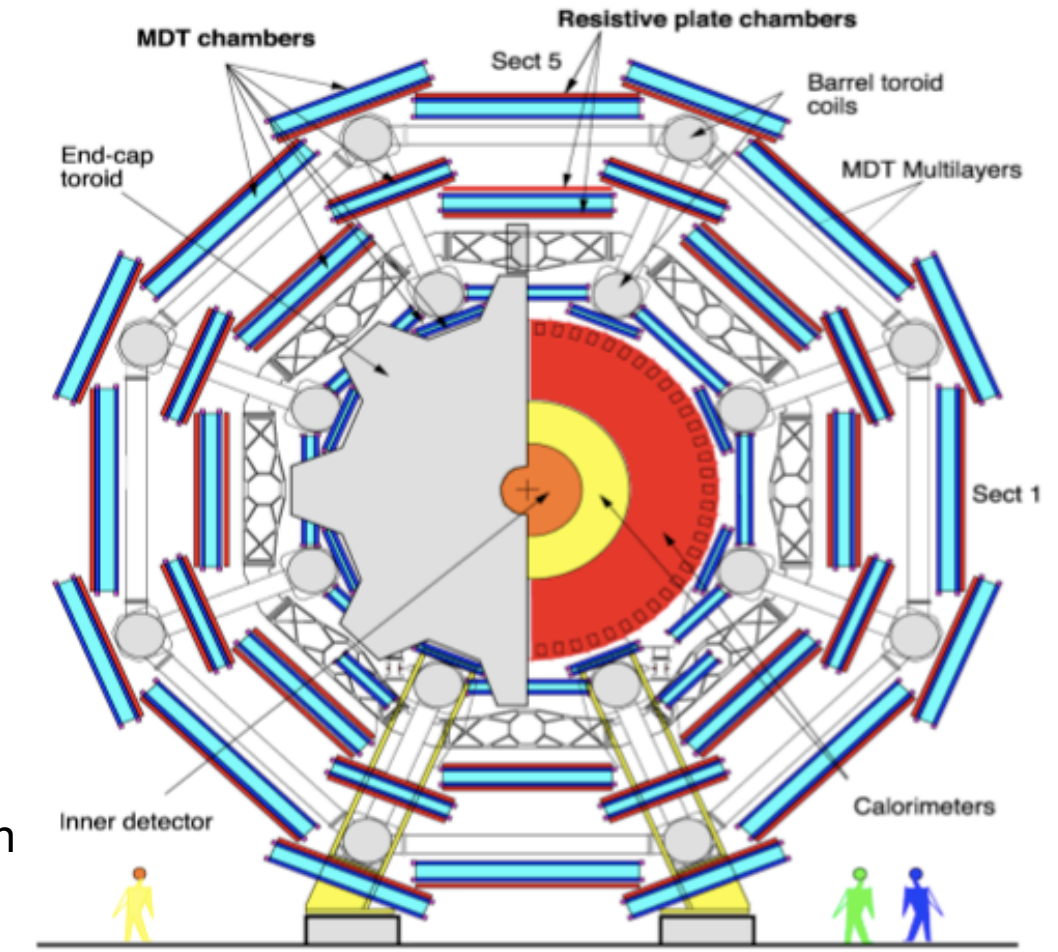


Muon-Detectors: Identification and precise momentum measurement of muons outside of the magnet

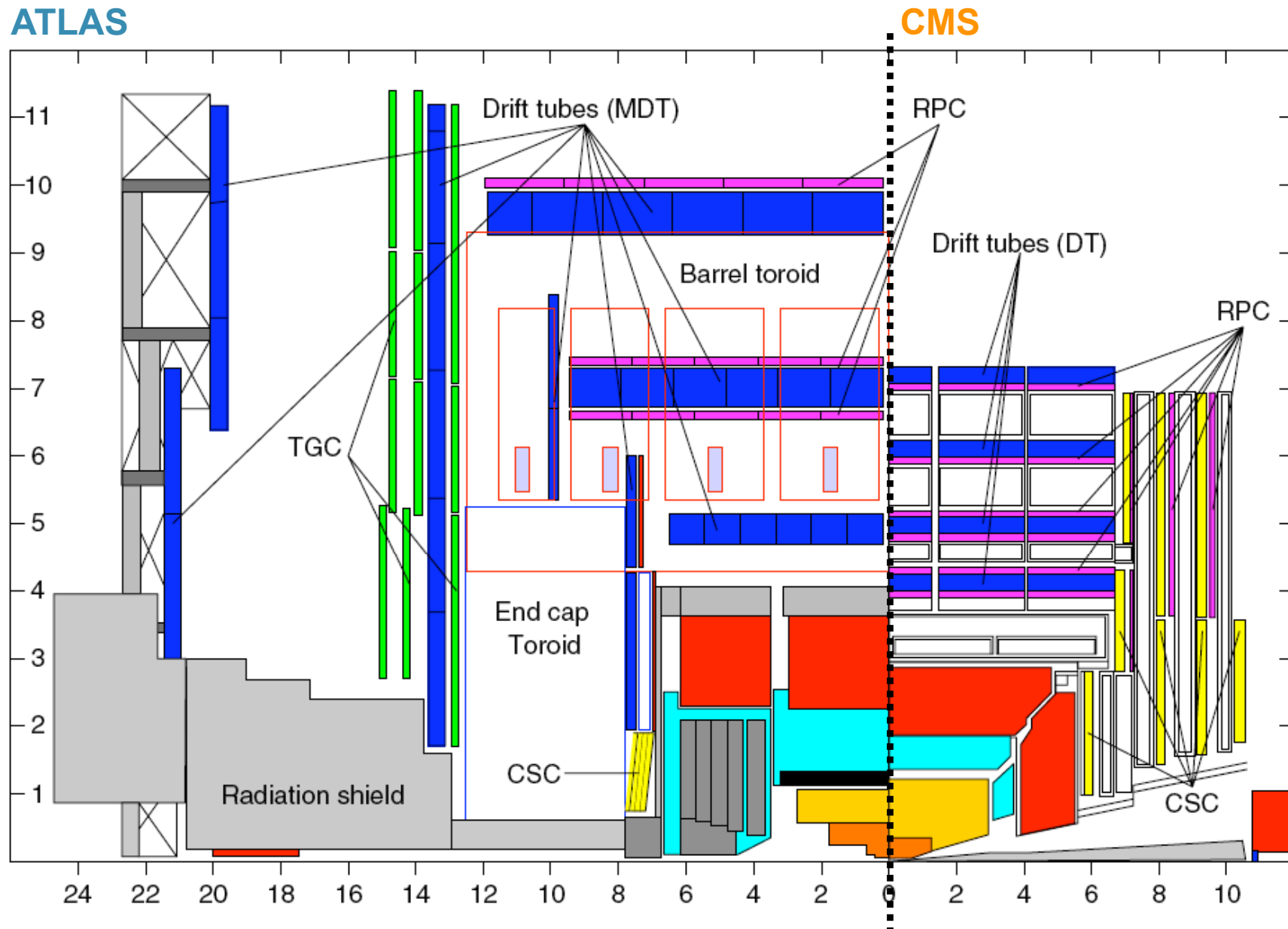
The dashed tracks are invisible to the detector

MUON DETECTORS

- Identification and precise momentum measurement of muons outside of the magnet
- Benchmark design for muon detectors: momentum measurement better than 10% up to 1 TeV.
 - $\Delta p_T/p_T \approx 1/BL^2$
- Typical track in Muon System has ≈ 20 hits
- A muon tracks can be:
 - “standalone” purely based on MS
 - “combined” btw MS and ID
- The standalone capability can be crucial at high luminosity when ID is “very crowded”
- The momentum measurement is dominated by
 - ID @ low p_T
 - MS @ high p_T

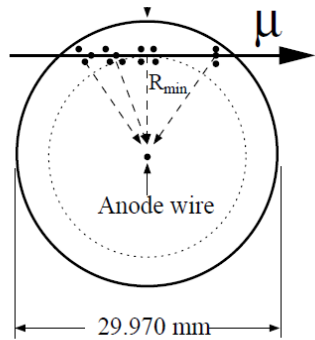


MUON SYSTEMS



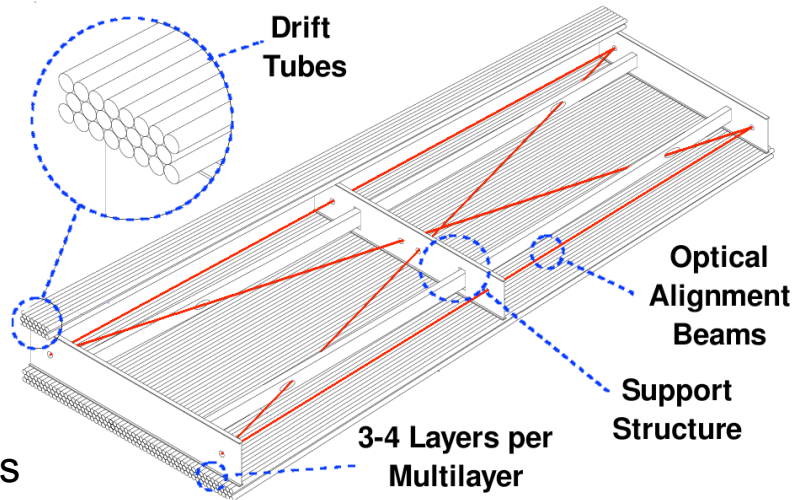
PRECISION CHAMBERS

1) Monitored Drift Tubes (MDT)



Drift Tube

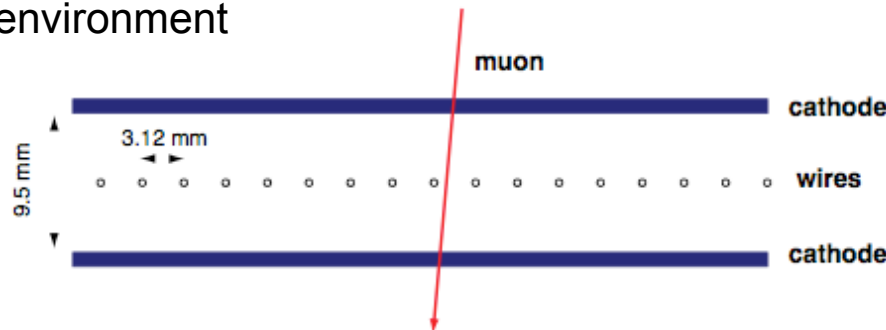
High-pressure drift tubes
 $\sigma(R) \approx 100 \mu\text{m}$, $T_{\text{drift}} \approx 700 \text{ns}$



- Gas-filled drift tubes with central wire
- Signal read out on both ends
- Spatial resolution increased by recording drift time.
- Three concentric barrel layers plus end-cap ($\eta=2.7$).
- Total of 355000 tubes.

2) Cathode Strip Chambers

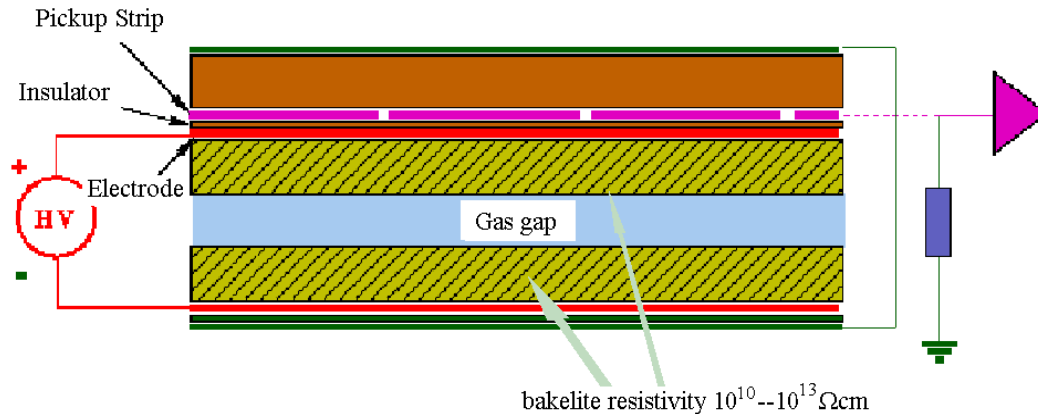
Operation in high rate environment
 $\sigma(R) \approx 60 \mu\text{m}$, $T_{\text{drift}} \approx 20 \text{ns}$



- Array of anode wires crossed with copper cathode strips within gas volume.
- Short drift distances.
- Suited for high η

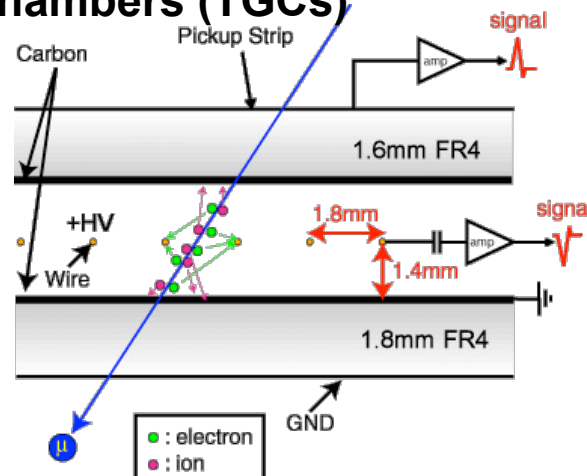
TRIGGER CHAMBERS

1) Resistive Plate Chambers (RPCs)



- Robust detector with up to 5ns time resolution
- Charge carriers drift towards anode and get multiplied by electric field (avalanche).
- Applied high voltage at parallel plate electrodes leads to uniform electric field in the gas gap.
- The propagation of the growing number of charges induces a signal on a read out electrode.
- In ATLAS the Barrel is equipped with RPCs.

2) Thin Gap Chambers (TGCs)



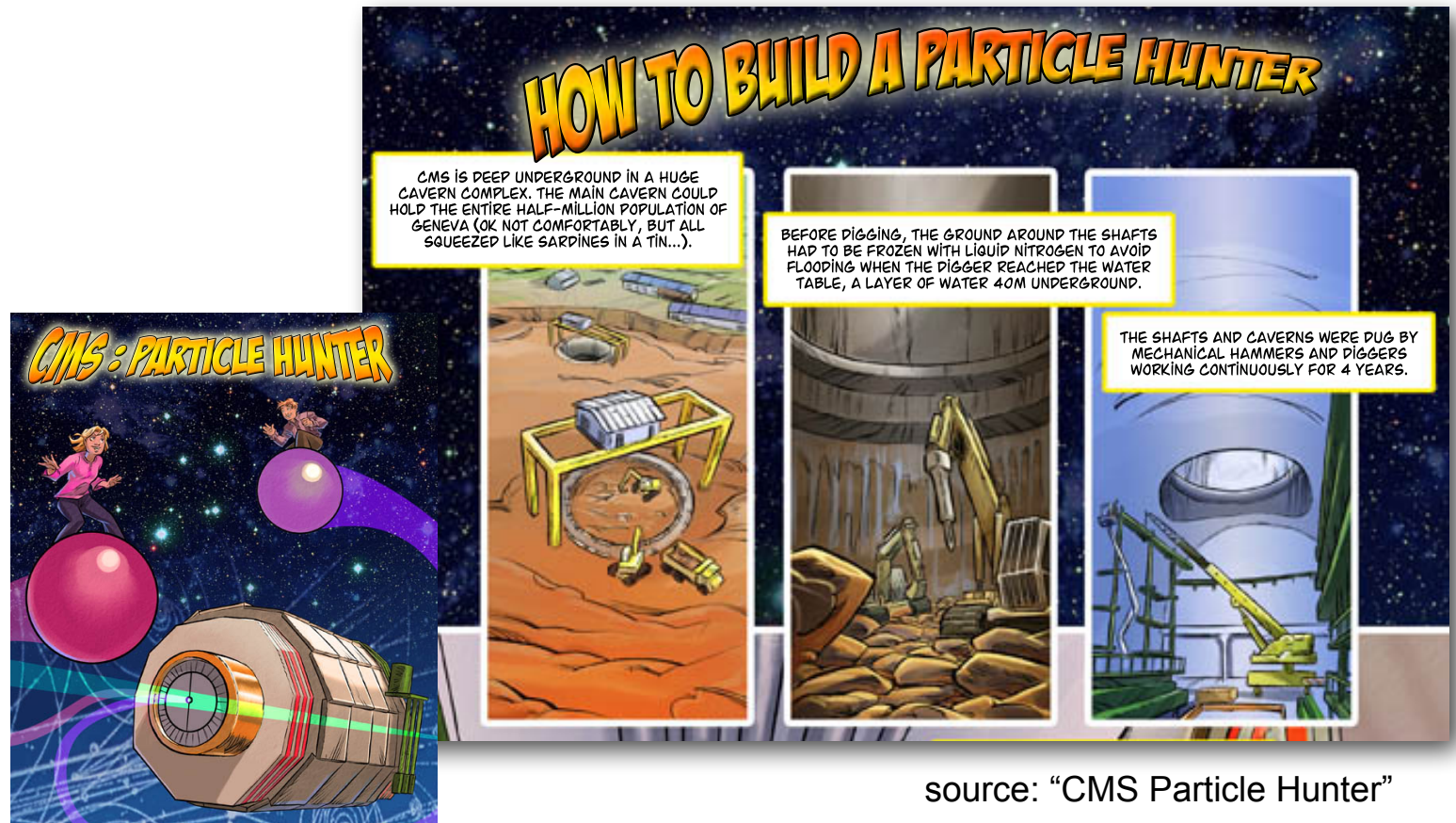
- Derivative of MWPCs
- Operation in saturated mode. Signal amplitude limited by the resistivity of the graphite layer
- In ATLAS the End-cap is equipped with TGCs.

V. REAL LIFE EXAMPLES

BUILDING AN EXPERIMENT (EXAMPLE LHC)

CURRENT HEP DETECTOR R&D

- Detector development is always an important topic in high energy physics
- Technical demands are constantly increasing due to new challenges in particle physics
 - higher occupancy, smaller feature size, larger trigger rates, radiation level,
- New HEP detector projects are planned for
 - Detector upgrades during different LHC phases up to HL-LHC (ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb)
 - Detector R&D for a future linear collider (ILC and CLIC)
 - Belle II (construction phase ongoing)
 - PANDA and CBM @Fair
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HOW TO DO A PARTICLE PHYSICS EXPERIMENT

- Ingredients needed:

- particle source
- accelerator and aiming device
- detector
- trigger
- recording devices

- Recipe:

- get particles (e.g. protons, antiprotons, electrons, ...)
 - accelerate them
 - collide them
 - observe and record the events
 - analyse and interpret the data
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- many people to:
 - design, build, test, operate accelerate
 - design, build, test, calibrate, operate, understand the detector
 - analyse data

● lots of money to pay all this



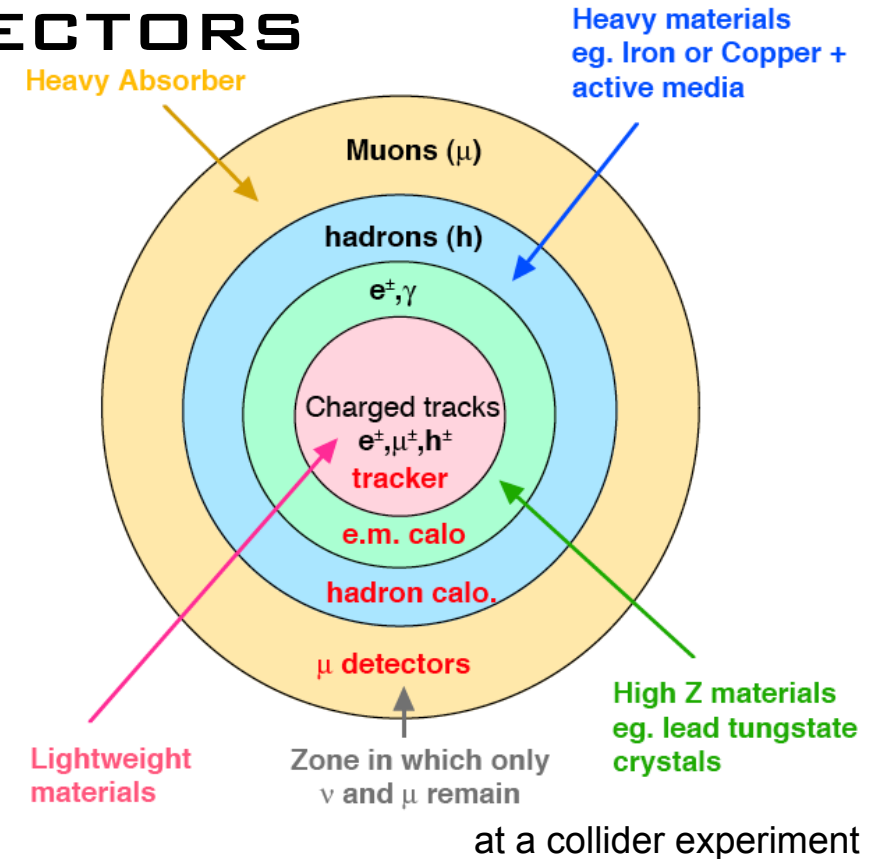
typical HERA collaboration: ~400 people
LHC collaborations: >2000 people

Pic: DESY



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF HEP DETECTORS

- Need detailed understanding of
 - processes you want to measure (“physics case”)
 - signatures, particle energies and rates to be expected
 - background conditions
- Decide on magnetic field
 - only around tracker?
 - extending further ?
- Calorimeter choice
 - define geometry (nuclear reaction length, X_0)
 - type of calorimeter (can be mixed)
 - choice of material depends also on funds



- Tracker
 - technology choice (gas and/or Si?)
 - number of layers, coverage, ...
 - pitch, thickness,
 - also here money plays a role

Detailed Monte Carlo Simulations need to guide the design process all the time !!

A MAGNET FOR A LHC EXPERIMENT

● Wish list

- big: long lever arm for tracking
- high magnetic field
- low material budget or outside detector (radiation length, absorption)
- serve as mechanical support
- reliable operation
- cheap
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● ATLAS decision

- achieve a high-precision stand-alone momentum measurement of muons
- need magnetic field in muon region -> large radius magnet

● CMS decision

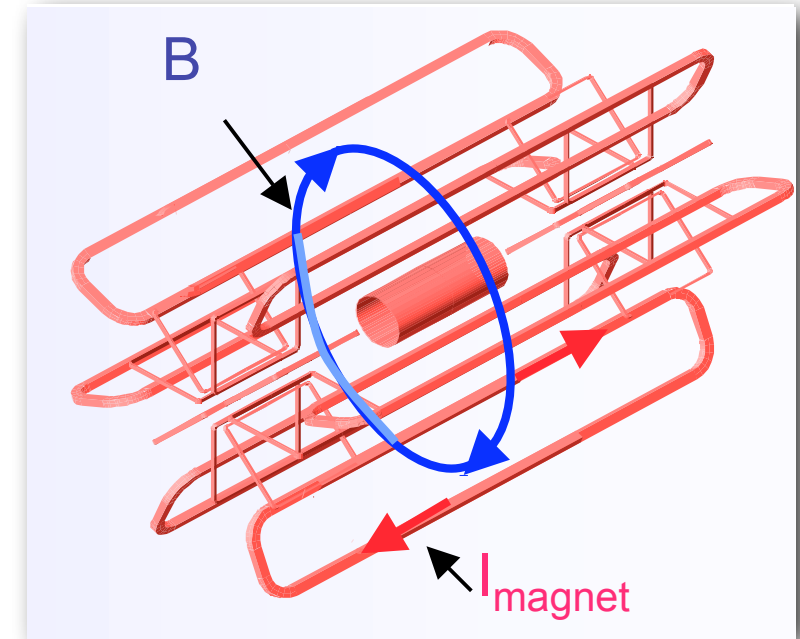
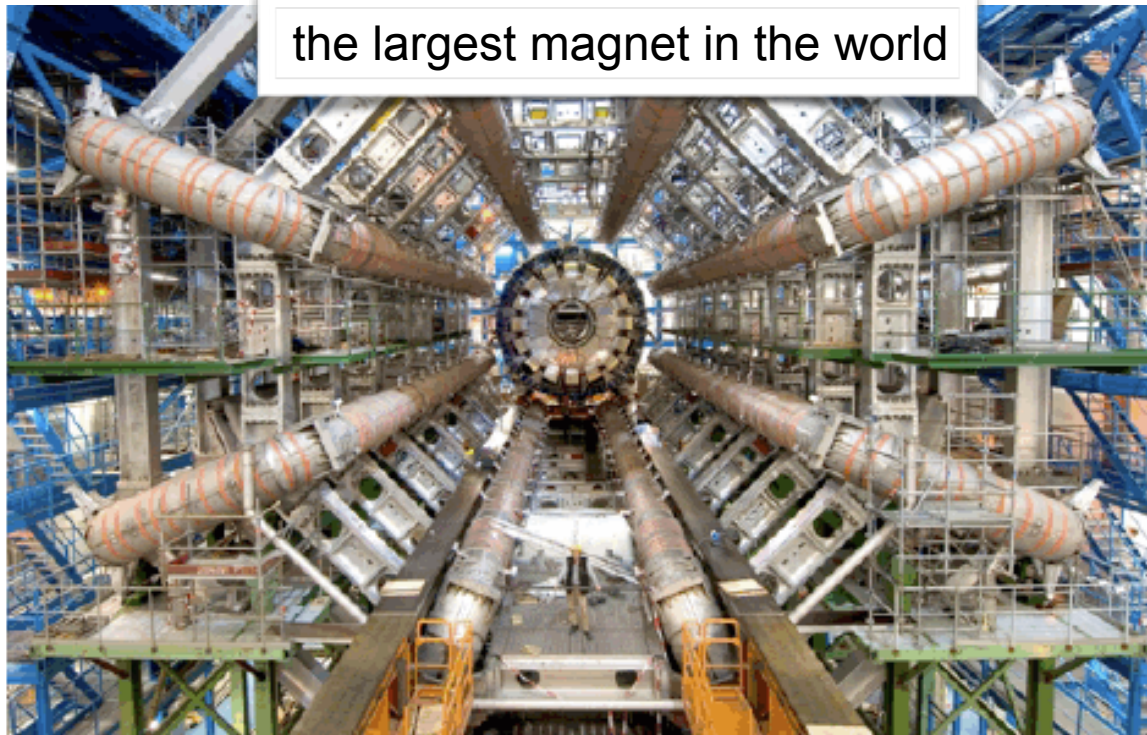
- single magnet with the highest possible field in inner tracker (momentum resolution)
- muon detector outside of magnet



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MAGNET-CONCEPTS: ATLAS -> TOROID



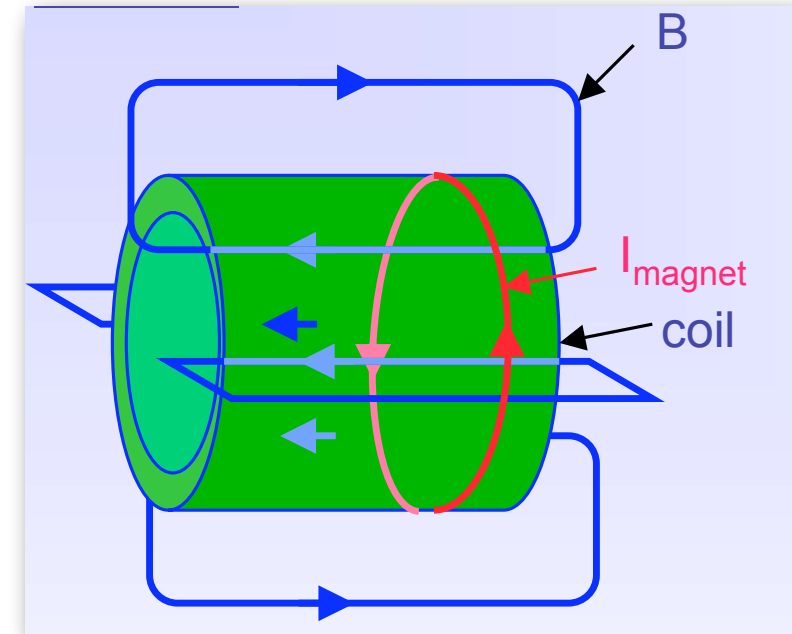
- Central toroid field outside the calorimeter within muon-system: < 4 T
 - Closed field, no yoke
 - Complex field
- Thin-walled 2 T Solenoid-field for trackers integrated into the cryostat of the ECAL barrel

- + field always perpendicular to \vec{p}
- + relative large field over large volume
- non uniform field
- complex structure

MAGNET-CONCEPTS: CMS -> SOLENOID



Largest solenoid in the world:



- super conducting, 3.8 T field inside coil
- weaker opposite field in return yoke (2T)
- encloses trackers and calorimeter
- 13 m long, inner radius 5.9 m, $I = 20$ kA, weight of coil: 220 t

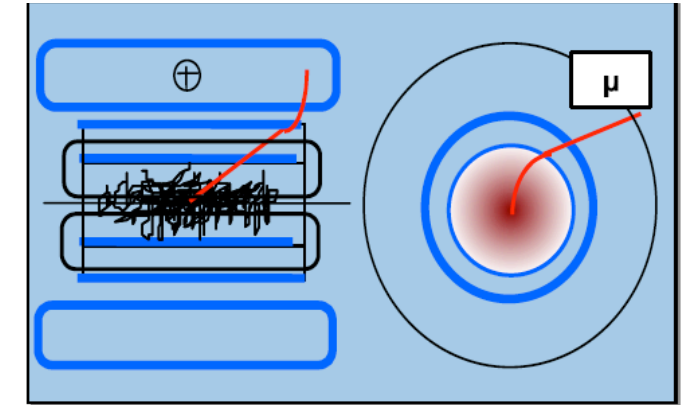
- + large homogeneous field inside coil
- + weak opposite field in return yoke
- size limited (cost)
- relative high material budget

MUON DETECTORS

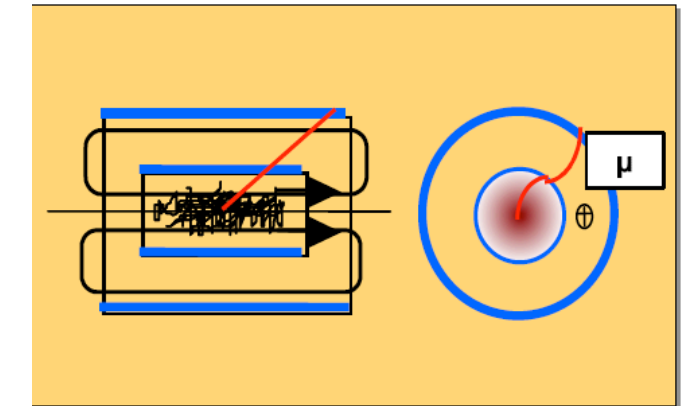
another tracker outside of the magnet

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momentum measurement better than 10% up to 1 TeV.
 - $\Delta p_T/p_T \approx 1/BL^2$
- ATLAS
 - independent muon system -> excellent stand capabilities
- CMS:
 - superior combined momentum resolution in the central region;
 - limited stand-alone resolution and trigger capabilities (multiple scattering in the iron)
- ATLAS and CMS have both a combination of different gas detectors in the larger radius
 - Drift tubes
 - Resistive plate chambers
 - Multi-wire proportional chamber

ATLAS

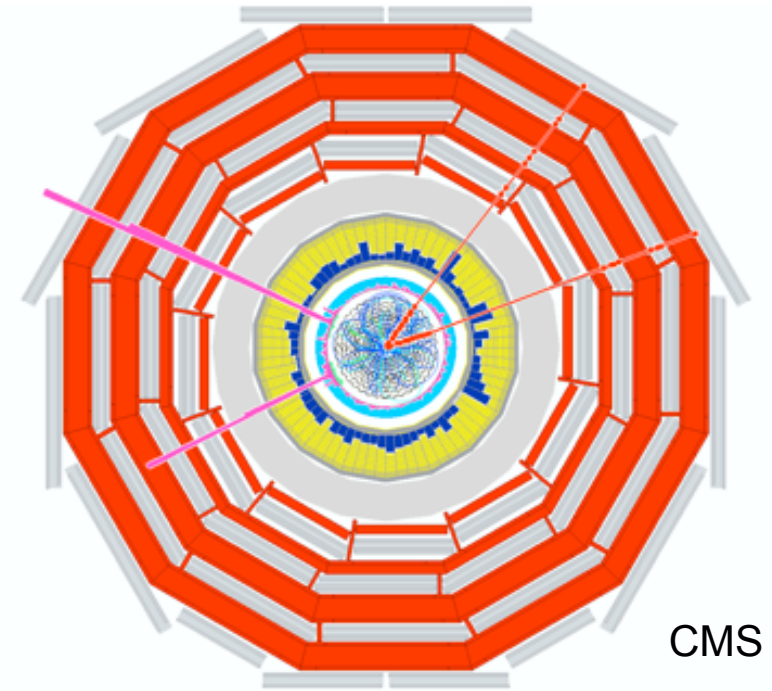


CMS



WHAT IS A TRIGGER ?

- Collisions every 25 ns with many simultaneous interactions
- A lot of information stored in the detectors - we need all information
- Electronics too slow to read out all information for **every** collision
- But: a lot of the interactions are very well known - we only want rare events
- “Trigger” is a system that uses simple criteria to rapidly decide which events to keep when only a small fraction of the total can be recorded.



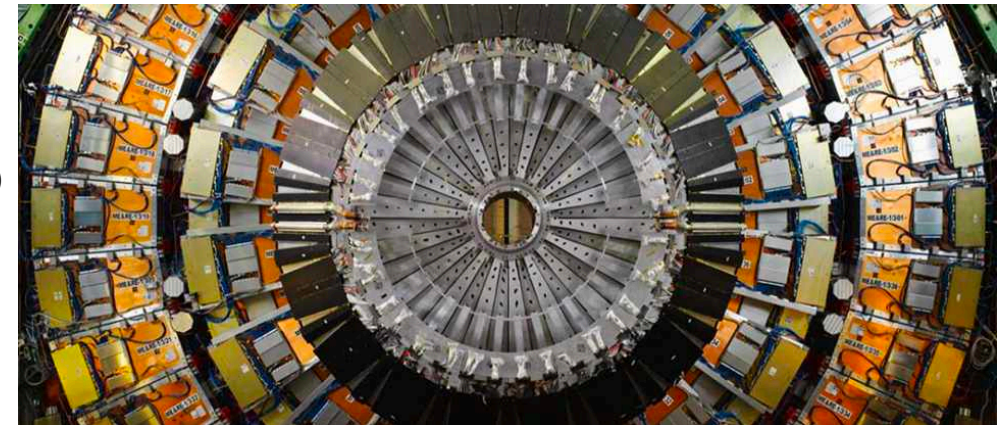
- Want to know the information of green cars
 - number of passengers
 - speed
 - weight
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- Trigger = system detecting the color and initiating the information transfer all information



EXPERIMENTAL CONSTRAINTS

Different experiments have very different trigger requirements due to operating environments

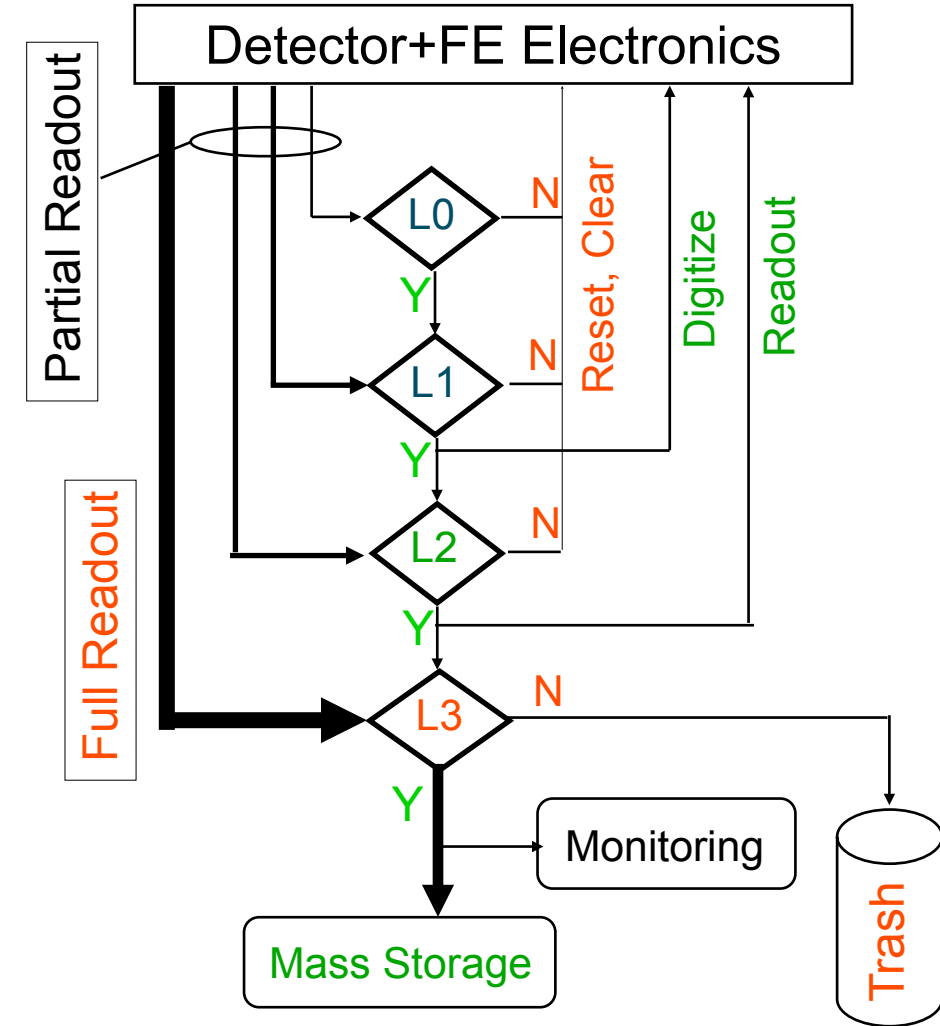
- Timing structure of beam
- Rate of producing physics signals of interest and rate of producing backgrounds
- **Cosmic Ray Experiments**
 - no periodic timing structure, background/calibration source for many other experiments
- **Fixed Target Experiments**
 - close spacing between bunches in train which comes at low rep rate (\sim Hz)
 - backgrounds from un-desirable spray from target
 - cosmics are particularly a background for neutrino beams
- **e⁺e⁻ colliders**
 - very close bunch spacing (few nsec), beam gas and beam wall collisions
- **ep collider**
 - short bunch spacing (96ns), beam gas backgrounds
- **pp/ppbar collider**
 - modest bunch spacing (25-400ns), low produced soft QCD



MULTI-LEVEL TRIGGER SYSTEMS

High Efficiency ↔ Large Rejection

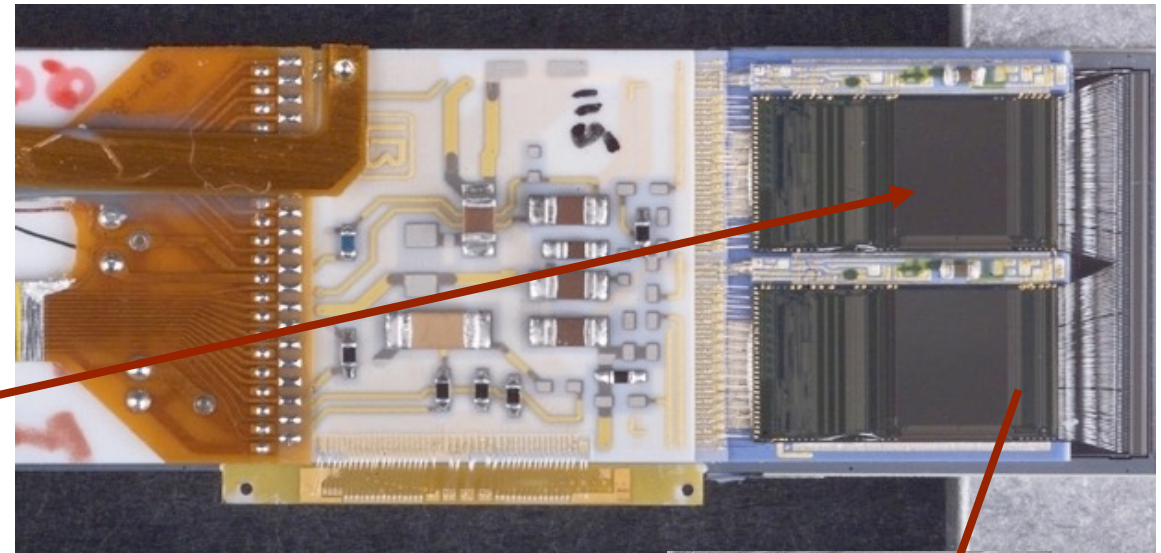
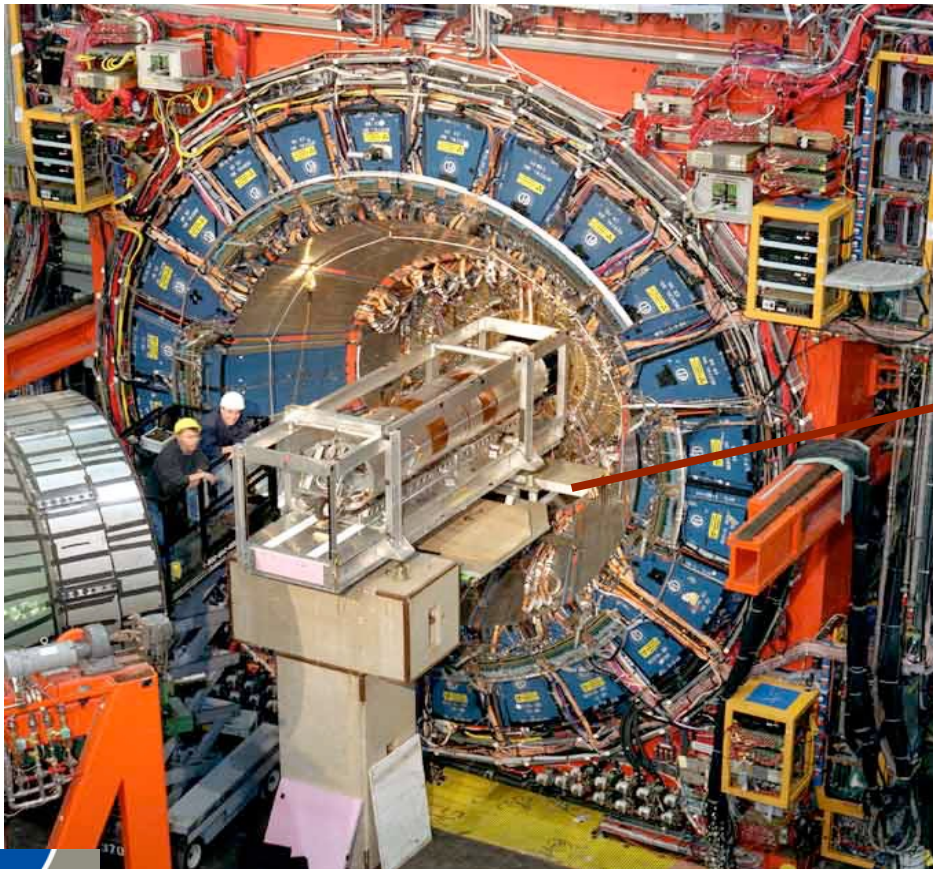
- Can't achieve necessary rejection in a single triggering stage
- Reject in steps with successively more complete information
 - L0 – very fast ($< \sim$ bunch x-ing), very simple, usually scint. (TOF or Lumi. Counters)
 - L1 – fast (\sim few μ s) with limited information, hardware
 - L2 – moderately fast (~ 10 s of μ s), hardware and sometimes software
 - L3 – Commercial processor(s)
- **Next generation:** implement triggering stage already in tracking detector to handle very high multiplicities (example: HL-LHC)
- Other extreme: trigger-less operation \rightarrow read out at 40MHz and do the work offline (LHCb)



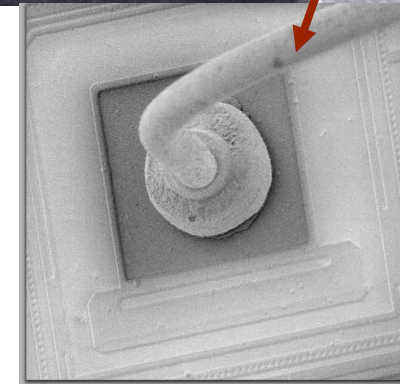
V. REAL LIFE EXAMPLES AND WHAT CAN GO WRONG ...

PROBLEMS WITH WIRE BONDS (CDF, D0)

- Very important connection technology for tracking detectors: wire bonds:
 - 17-20 μm small wire connection \rightarrow terrible sensitive
- During test pulse operation, Lorentz force on bonding wires (perpendicular to magnetic field) caused resonances ...



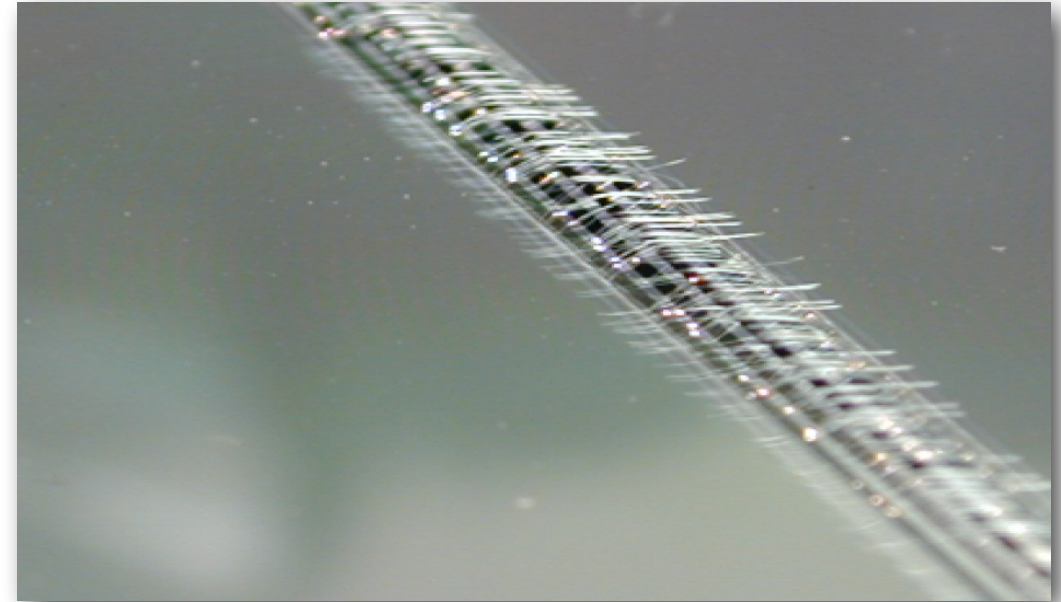
...breaks wire bonds
between detector
and read out.



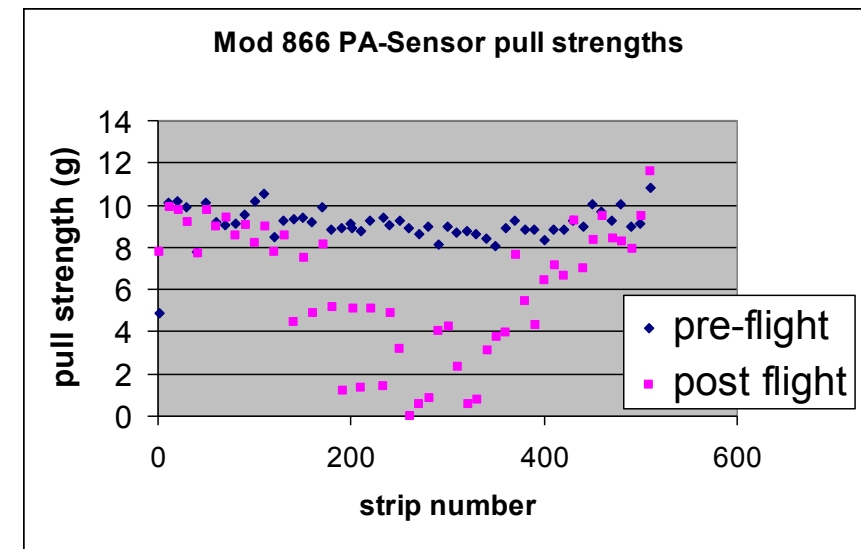
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MORE WIRE BOND WRECKAGE

- Quality of wires is tested by pull tests (measured in g)
- During CMS strip tracker production quality assurance applied before and after transport (via plane)
- Wire bonds were weaker after flight
- Random 3.4 g NASA vibration test causes similar damage
- Problem observed during production -> improved by adding a glue layer
- No further problems during production



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UNEXPECTED PROBLEMS ATLAS BARREL TRT

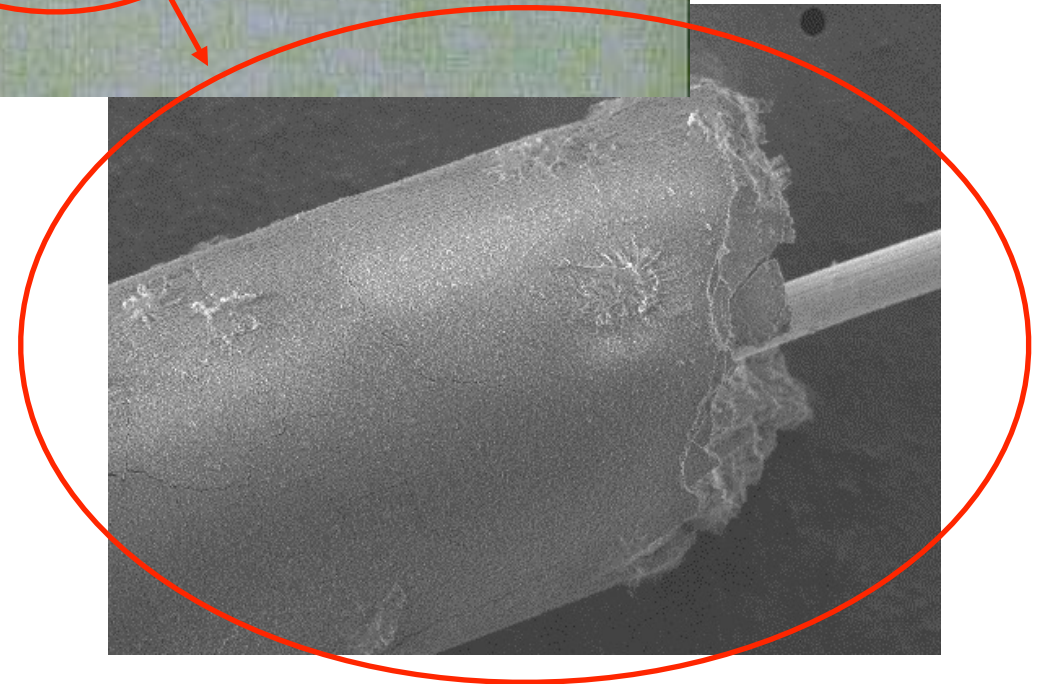
- Gas mixture: 70% Xe + 20 CF₄ + 10% CO₂
- Observed: **destruction of glass joint between long wires after 0.3 - 0.4 integrated charge** (very soon after start up)



At high irradiation C₄F turns partially into HF, F₂ (hydrofluoric acid)
-> attaches Si-based materials in the detector

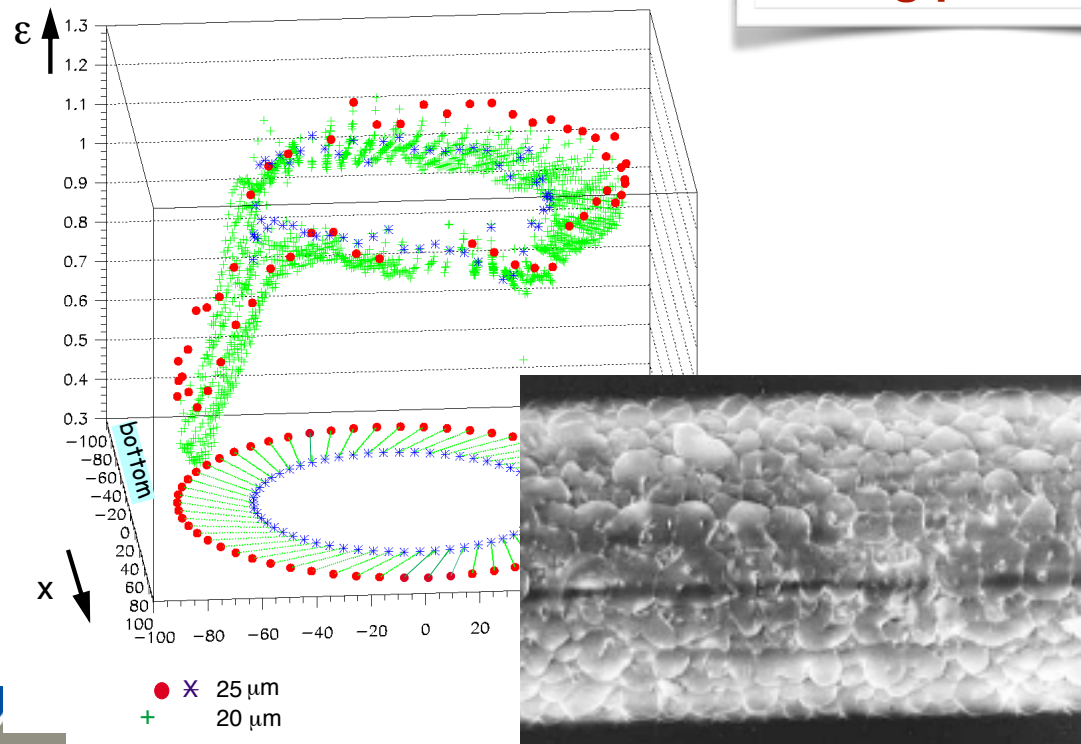
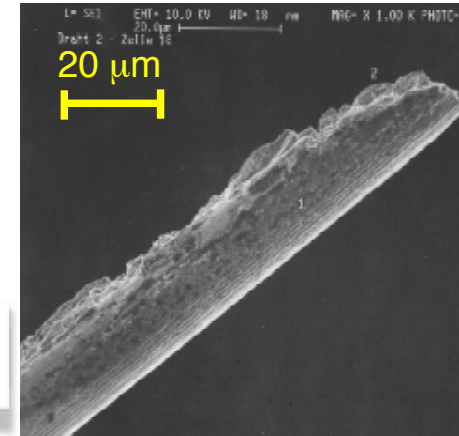
- Changed gas mixture, after ~10 years of R&D with old mixture

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WIRES H1 CENTRAL JET CHAMBER

- Outer tracker of H1 -> broken wires in CJC1
- Observation / possible reason:
 - remnants from gold plating process lead to complex chemical reactions
- New design of crimp tube: jewels • better quality control



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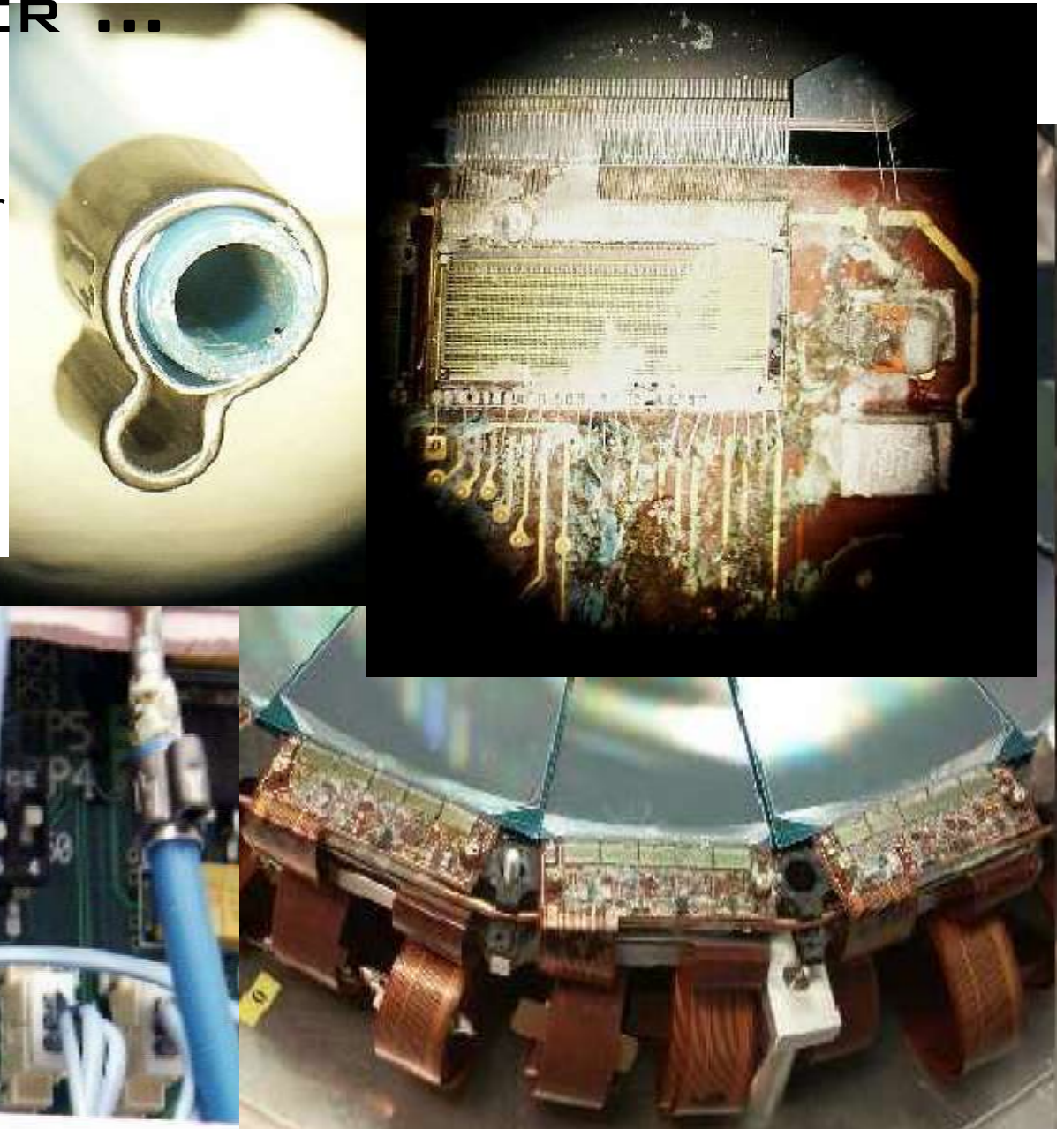
- Sense Wire Deposits in CJC2
- Observation / possible reason:
 - y dependence implies most likely gas impurity
- Consequences:
 - sense wires replaced
 - changes in gas distribution
 - increased gas flow

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WATER DAMAGE IN TRACKER ...

- H1@HERA FST in 2004
- Imperfect crimp + hardening of plastic => water leak
- Water condensation => damage
- Tracker segment had to be rebuilt

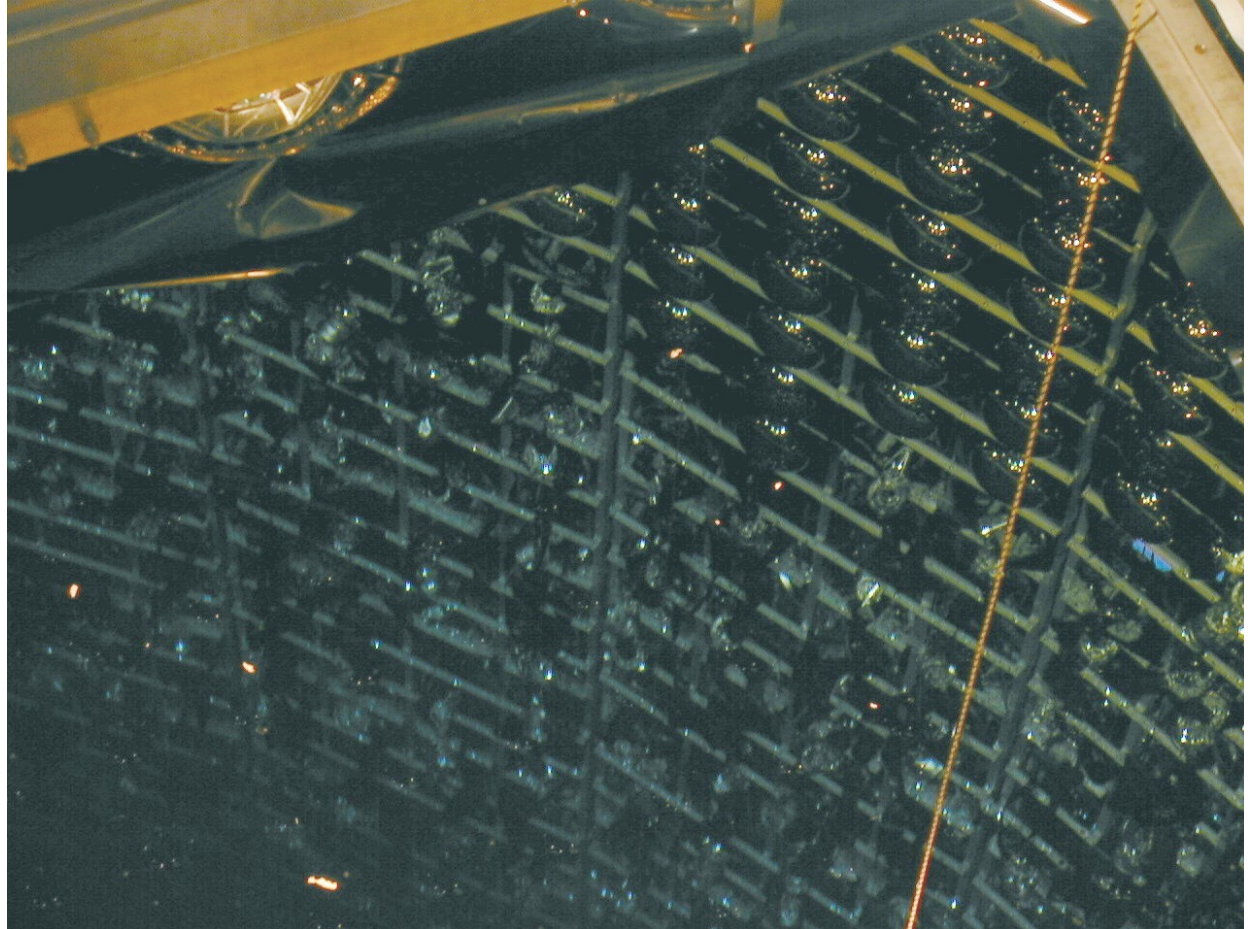
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IMPLODED PMTs @ SUPERKAMIOKANDE

- On November 2001 a PMT imploded creating a shock wave destroying about 7700 of other PMTs (costing about \$3000 each)
- Chain reaction: a the **shock wave** from the concussion of each imploding tube cracked its neighbours.
- Detector was partially restored by redistributing the photomultiplier tubes which did not implode.

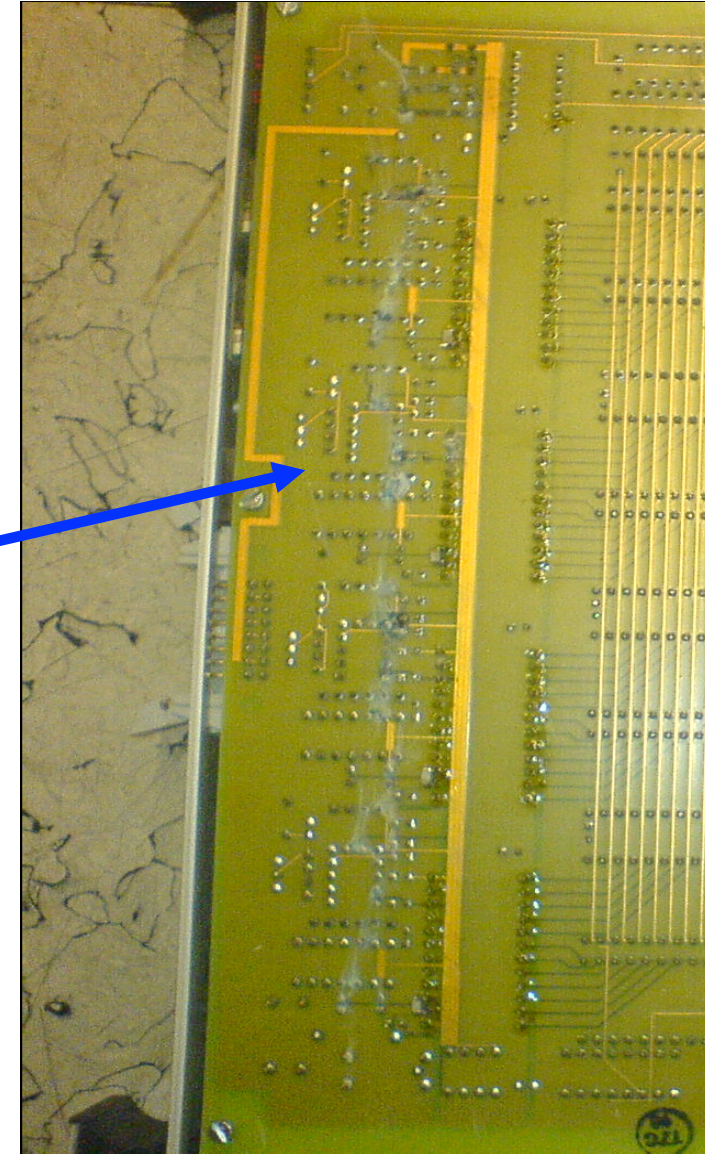
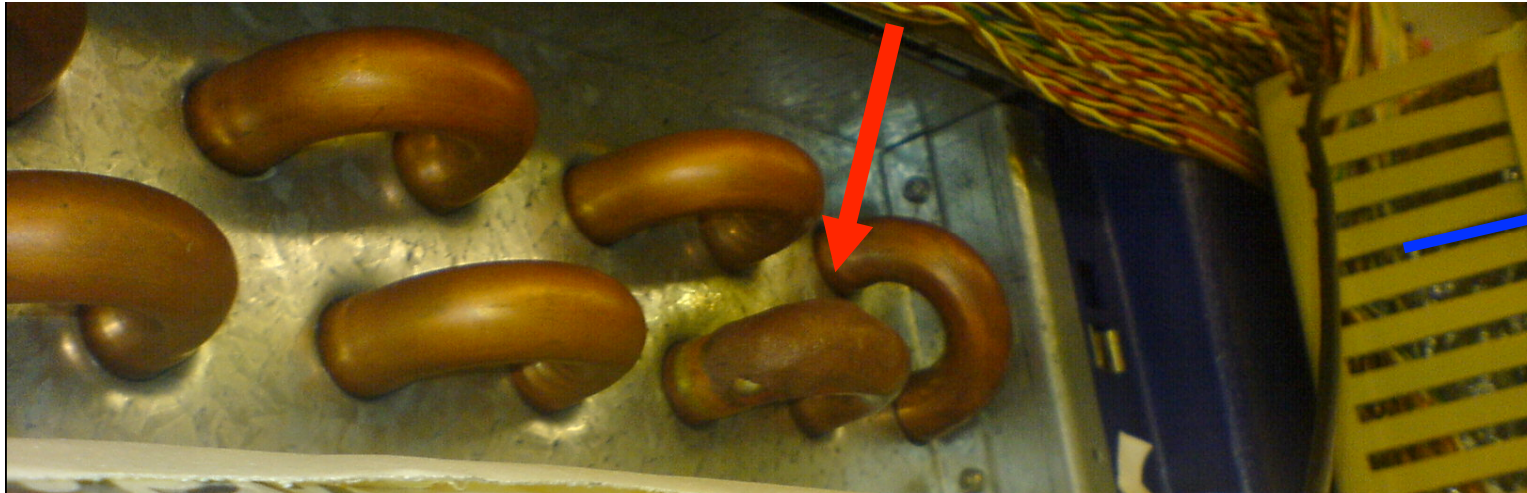
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ZEUS - ONE OF MANY WATER LEAKS

- Micro hole in copper hose led to water in the digital card crates
- Four crates were affected, but only seven cards were really showing traces of water
- Of course this all happened on a Saturday morning at 7am

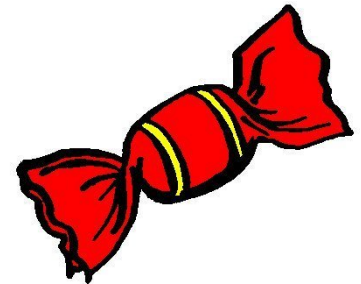


- Where ever you chose to cool with a liquid - it will leak one day !

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SUMMARY

- I could only give a **glimpse** at the wealth of particle detectors. More detectors are around: medical application, synchrotron radiation experiments, astro particle physics, ...
- All detectors base on similar principles
 - Particle detection is indirectly by (electromagnetic) interactions with the detector material
- Large detectors are typically build up in layers (onion concept):
 - Inner tracking: momentum measurement using a B-field
 - Outside calorimeter: energy measurement by total absorption
- Many different technologies:
 - Gas- and semiconductors (light material) for tracking
 - Sampling and Homogeneous calorimeters for energy measurement
- Similar methods are used in astro particle physics
- **Always looking for new ideas and technologies!**



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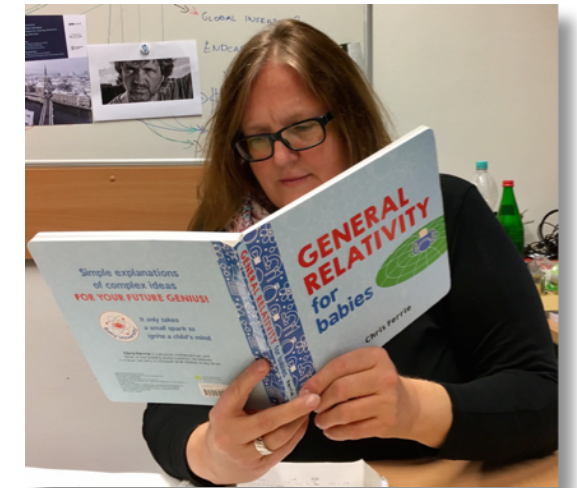
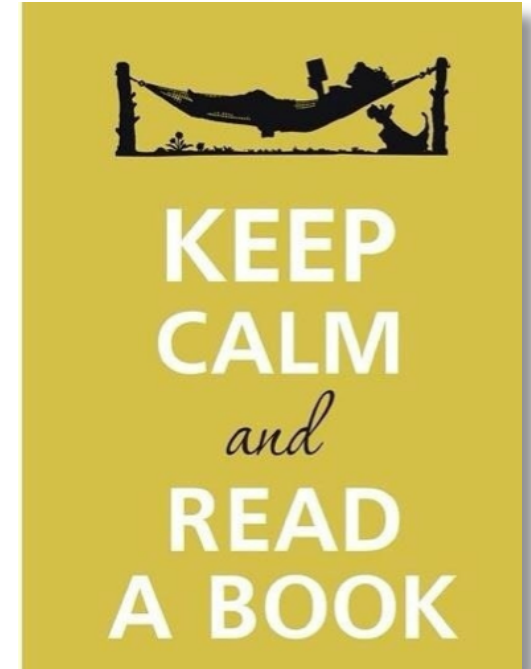
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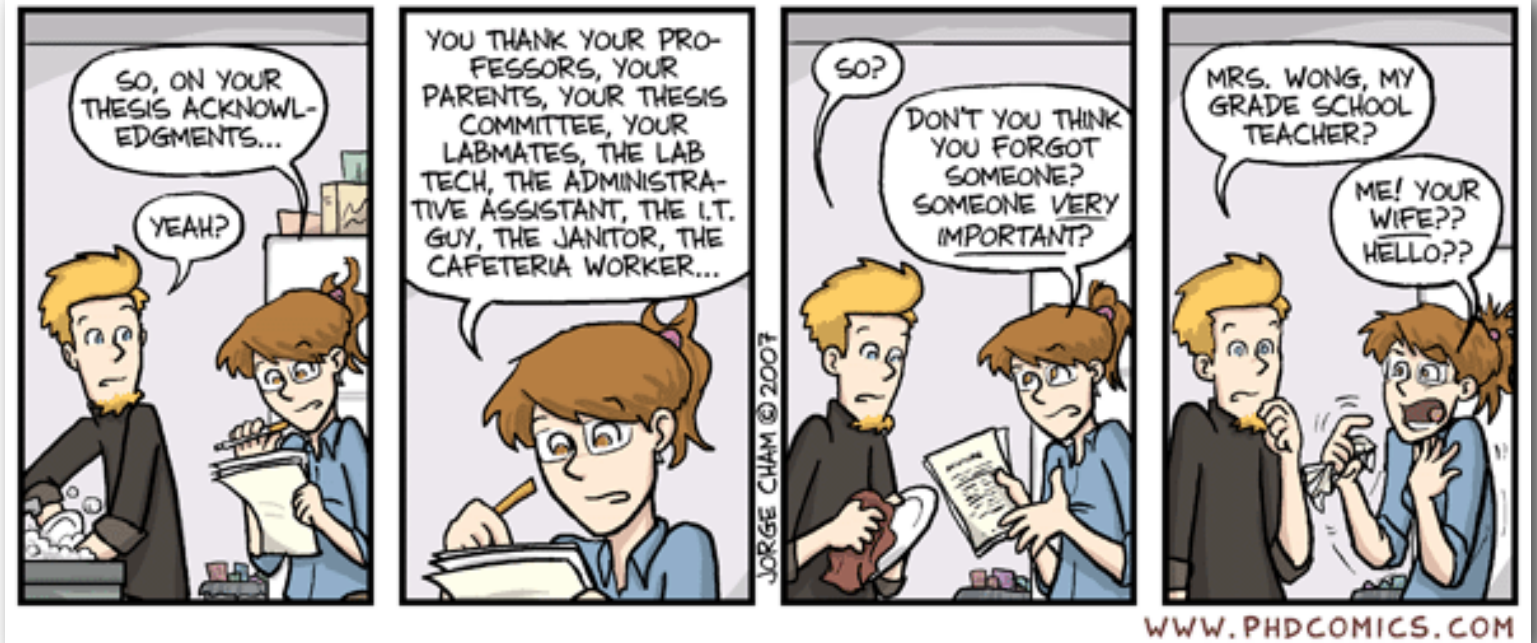
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