A high performance tracker in the forward angle experiments

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# <u>Outline</u>

High rate tracking needs for forward angle experiments.
Tracking at very high rates: Pixel Sensors - HV - MAPS
MPGD technology for high rate tracking.
GEM detectors for forward angle experiments.
Future possibilities.

# Tracking needs for forward angle experiments

- High rates kHz to MHz per cm<sup>2</sup>
- Good spatial Resolution: ~0.1 mm
- Old wire-chamber technology can't deliver.
- Two possible solutions
  - Pixel detectors like HV-MAPS promise:
    - ultra high rates,
    - very good resolution
    - affordability.
    - Very thin
  - Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD) provide:
    - Mature technology
    - high rates
    - Good resolution
    - Highly affordable

# High Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (HV-MAPS)

Ivan Perić (I.Perić, P. Fischer et al., NIM A 582 (2007) 876 )

- Use a high voltage commercial process (automotive industry)
- Small active region, fast charge collection via drift
- Readout electronics directly built on pixel



- MuPix chip developed for Mu3e exp. at PSI
- Large area detector planed for P2 @ MESA

The MuPix system-on-chip for the Mu3e experiment: http://dx.doi.org/ 10.1016/j.nima.2016.06.095

- Resolutions < 38 μm: limited by pixel size
- 50 μm thin full system chip with sensor and full readout
- 0.1% radiation length
- Ultra fast: 100s of MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Still in development stage

# Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD)

**Solution to MWPC rate limitation:** Fast evacuation of the ions ⇒ Combine Micro structure technology with gas amplification  $\Rightarrow$  Birth of the MPGDs

### **Micro Gap Chambers**





Figure 25 Two variants of unail-gap chambers, using thick polyimide edges to prevent the onset of discharges.

#### Angelini F, et al. Nucl. Instrum. Methods A335:69 (1993)

### Micro Gap Wire Chamber



Figure 2.27 Scheme of a MGWC with equipotential and field lines. The circle filled with lines is the sections of an anode wire [CHRISTOPHEL1997].

#### E. Christophel et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth, vol 398 (1997) 195

### Micro Wire Chamber



B. Adeva et al., Nucl. Instr. And Meth. A435 (1999) 402

μPIC



Ochi et al NIMA 471 (2001) 264 MicroPin



### MicroGroove



MicroWELL

# Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD)

## Two MPGD Technologies stood out



# GEM foil: Electron amplification device

- Thin, metal-clad polymer foil chemically perforated by a high density of holes, typically 100/mm<sup>2</sup>
- Voltage of ~ 350 V across the Cu electrode creates a strong field in the hole leading to amplification
- · The ionization pattern is preserved by design with the electric field focusing the charges inside the holes



### **UNIQUE FEATURE**

Charge amplification is decoupled from the charge collection  $\Rightarrow$  Multi-stage amplification

# Why GEMs?

- Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) detectors provide a cost effective solution for high resolution tracking under high rates over large areas.
- Rate capabilities higher than many 100s of MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- High position resolution ( < 70  $\mu\text{m})$
- Ability to cover very large areas (10s 100s of m<sup>2</sup>) at modest cost.
- Low thickness (~ 0.5% radiation length)
- Already Used for many experiments around the world: COMPASS, Bonus, KLOE, TOTEM, Prototypes for CMS upgrade, SBS etc.
- Now come in many sizes and shapes:
- To go to the highest possible rates need a pixel readout.
- With large areas and high resolution needs lead to impossible channel counts

• Strip readouts give good resolution with affordable readout, but lead to very high occupancy and multi-hit ambiguity.

• Need to come up with creative solutions.







### Recent developments: now very large areas possible



123 cm x 55 cm active area GEM detectors for pRad experiment during construction at UVa





- Non-magnetic and calorimetric method with GEM detectors, aiming at an unprecedented low Q<sup>2</sup> region,  $Q^2 = 2 \times 10^{-4} 1 \times 10^{-1} (GeV/c)^2$  with sub-percent precision
- Simultaneous measurement of e-p elastic scat. and Møller processes
- Beam currents up to 100 nA.
- But very thin gas flow target.
- Rate in GEM detectors ~ 100 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>









Moller Geometry





# SoLID-EIC GEM prototype



# Large Size GEMs in MT6-2B @ FTBF (Fermilab)



### Solid GEM Prototype test results

#### EIC-FT-GEM (SoLID) Prototype I

- Trapezoid shape 1-m long triple-GEM (3-2-2-2): widths at the inner radius and outer radius equal to 23 cm and 44 cm respectively.
- Readout board: flexible 2D U-V strip readouts (COMPASS style) with a pitch of 550 µm, top layer (140 µm, wide U-strips) run parallel to one radial side of the detector and bottom layer (490 µm, V-strips) run parallel to the other side.
- Test beam results published in <u>NIM A 808 (2016) 83-92</u>



#### Cluster size vs. HV







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#### U-V strip Readout of EIC-SoLID GEM Proto I



variable length of the U strips of top layer

### For the future Low-Mass GEM R&D: Chromium GEM foil (Cr-GEM)

#### Standard GEM



#### Triple-GEM with standard GEM foil

#### Triple-GEM with Cr-GEM foil

	Quantity	Thickness	Density	XО	A/ea	XD	S-Density		Quantity	Thickness	Density	X0	Area	XO	S-Density
		//172	g/cm3	mm	Fraction	96	g/cm2			,000	g/cm3	mm	Fraction	96	g/cm2
Window								Window							
Kapton	2	25	1.42	285	1	0.0175	0.0071	Kapton	2	25	1.42	286	1	0.0175	0.0071
Drit								Drit							
Copper	1	. 5	8.96	14.3	1	0.0350	0.0045	Copper	1	0	8.96	14.3	1	0.0000	0.0000
Kapton	1	50	1.42	285	1	0.0175	0.0071	Kapton	1	50	1.42	286	1	0.0175	0.0071
GEM Foil								GEM Foil							
Copper	6	5	8.96	14.3	0.8	0.1678	0.0215	Copper	6	0	8.96	14.3	0.8	0.0000	0.0000
Kapton	3	50	1.42	286	0.8	0.0420	0.0170	Kapton	3	50	1.42	286	0.8	0.0420	0.0170
Grid Space	r							Grid Space	r						
G10	3	2000	1.7	194	0.008	0.0247	0.0082	G10	3	2000	1.7	194	0.008	0.0247	0.0082
Readout								Readout							
Copper-80	1	. 5	8.96	14.3	0.2	0.0070	0.0009	Copper-80	1	0	8.96	14.3	0.2	0.0000	0.0000
Copper-350	1	. 5	8.96	14.3	0.75	0.0262	0.0034	Copper-350	1	0	8.96	14.3	0.75	0.0000	0.0000
Kapton	1	50	1.42	286	0.2	0.0035	0.0014	Kapton	1	50	1.42	286	0.2	0.0035	0.0014
Kapton	1	50	1.42	296	1	0.0175	0.0071	Kapton	1	50	1.42	286	1	0.0175	0.0071
NoFlu glue	1	60	1.5	200	1	0.0300	0.0090	NoFlu glue	1	60	1.5	200	1	0.0300	0.0090
Gas								Gas							
(CO2)	1	15000	1.84E-03	18310	1	0.0819	0.0028	(CO2)	1	15000	1.84E-03	18310	1	0.0819	0.0028
1				Total 0.473			0.090	1				Total		0.235	0.060

About 50% reduction in the amount of material in a EIC-FT-GEM with Cr-GEM

#### **Response uniformity**

#### ADC Spectrum with Fe55

#### Cr-GEM foil:

- Copper (Cu) clad raw material comes with 100 nm Chromium (Cr) layer between Cu and Kapton, 5μm Cu layers removed, leave only 100 nm residual Cr layers as electrodes, Cr-GEM foils provided CERN PCB workshop
- Using Cr-GEM foil lead to almost 50% reduction of the material of an SoLID-like light weight triple-GEM detector: this is because the material in a lightweight triple-GEM is dominated by the GEM foils & readout board





# For the future The newcomers: InGrid + Timepix

Combining: Gaseous amplification (Micromegas) & Silicon readout (Timepix)

### Micromegas grid



RD51 Week CERN,06/19/2014

### Timepix

Facts about the Timepix ASIC

- $256 \times 256$  pixels,  $55 \times 55 \, \mu m^2$  pitch
- $1.4 \times 1.4 \text{ cm}^2$  active area
- Charge sensitive amplifier and discriminator in each pixel, 90 e ENC
- Two modes: Charge or Time

### Integrated Micromegas - InGrid

Chefdeville et al - Nucl. Inst. Meth. A 556(2006), p 490

### Micromegas on top of Timepix ASIC

- Fabrication by means of photolithographic postprocessing
- Very good alignment of grid and pixels
- Each avalanche is collected on one pixel
- Detection of single electrons possible

### Timepix + InGrid



#### Carrier board



### Production of InGrids

- Single and few chip processing: NIKHEF / Mesa+ (Twente)
- Wafer processing (~ 100 chips at once): in cooperation with IZM Berlin

#### Energy Resolution

- Resolutions down to  $\sigma_E/E \approx 3.85\%$  at 5.9 keV were observed in Ar/iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> 90/10 at optimized settings (Energy determined from pixel counting)
- In Ar/iC\_4H\_{10} 97.7/2.3 resolutions down to  $\sigma_E/E\approx$  5.33 % at 5.9 keV are possible





- Currently installing a 120 k chan. APV 25 system (based on an INFN designed system) for SBS.
- Plan to read at ~ 5 kHz with Jlab CODA
- Large amounts of data: need to address bandwidth and data writing limitations.
- Online zero suppression/background suppression at FPGA level.

# Conclusion

- The large area GEM detector + high granularity calorimeter provided a powerful combination for forward tracking in pRad.
- Experiments requiring tracks will need 2-3 layers of GEMs.
- Calorimeter + 2-3 layers of GEMs + pixel detector in front will allow forward experiments at very high rates.

# Backup

### GEM foils and frames

- The foil is divided into 32 HV sectors of roughly 100 cm2 with
- The V applied on the 16 sectors from the top and 16 from the bottom
- Frames with 300 μm spacers, 8 mm width on the side and 60 mm width on top and bottom
- Extra frame material with alignment holes for the assembly, production by RESARM (Belgium)



### Preliminary results: EIC-SoLID readout strip capacitance noise



ADC counts

- Pedestal noise distribution over all 1536 strips (768 narrow top strips and 768 wider bottom strips)
- Strips of different lengths (U/V strips on trapezoidal readout)
- Average pedestal RMS noise 16 ADC counts, maximum 30





Figure 6: rms of the pedestal (noise level) vs. strip position on the outer radius side of the chamber



### Prototype test beam results

# Data with beam scan covering the active area of the GEM module. (average particle rate $\sim 10 \text{ kHz/cm}^2$ )



Frequency