

# Assembly and preliminary tests on the new prototype for the fast timing mpgd (FTM)

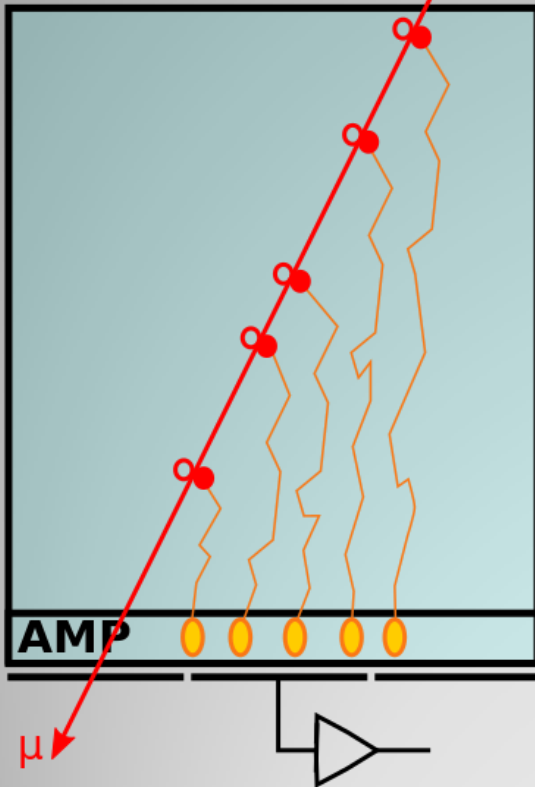
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# Fast Timing MPGD Principle

## Traditional MPGD



$\sigma_t$  driven by distance fluctuations.

$$\sigma_t \propto 1/\lambda v_{\text{drift}}$$

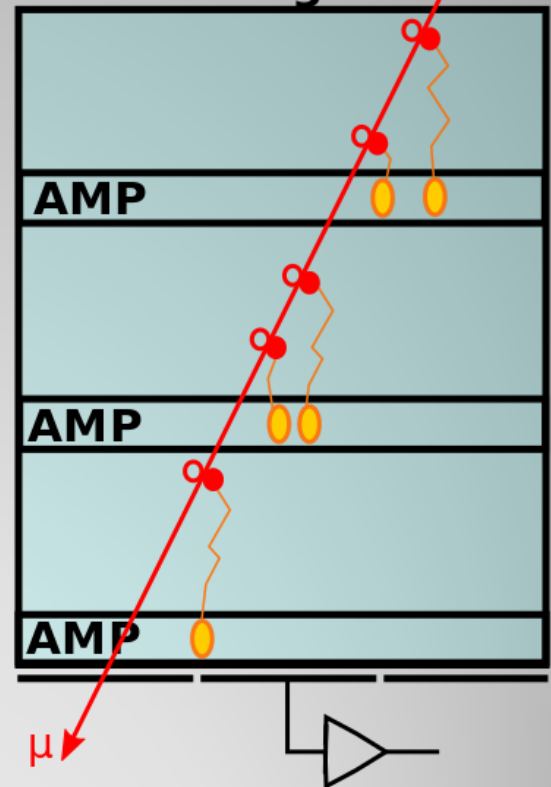
$\lambda = \# \text{ primary cls}$

electron-ion pairs created **close** to the amplification structure result in fast signals

**Fast Timing MPGD:** split drift volume in **N** layers, each with own amplification structure

$$\sigma_t \propto 1/\lambda v_{\text{drift}} \mathbf{N}$$

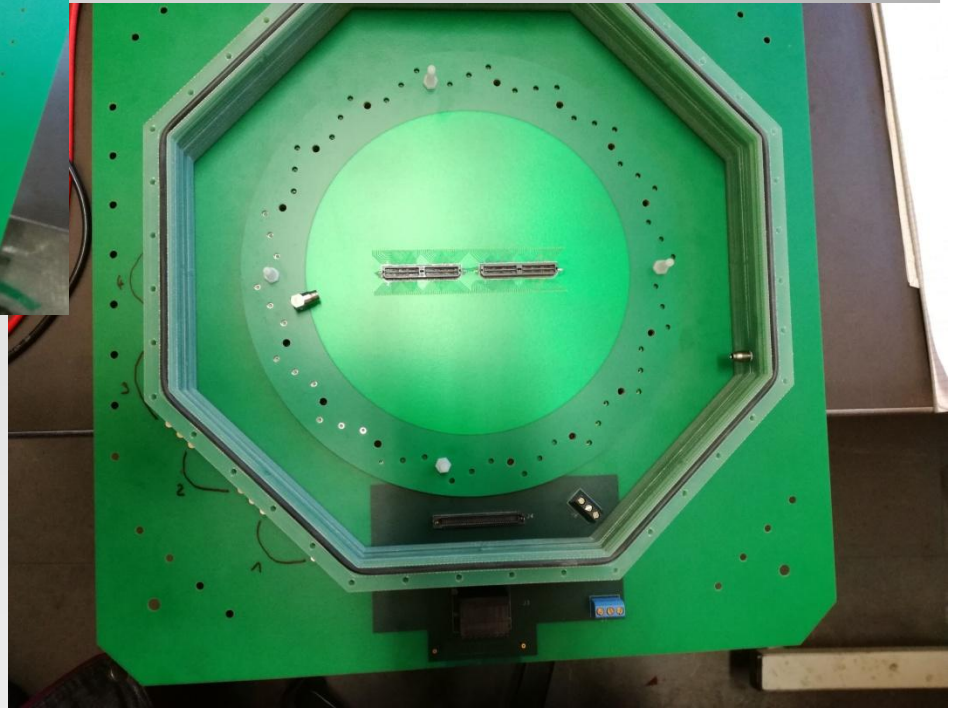
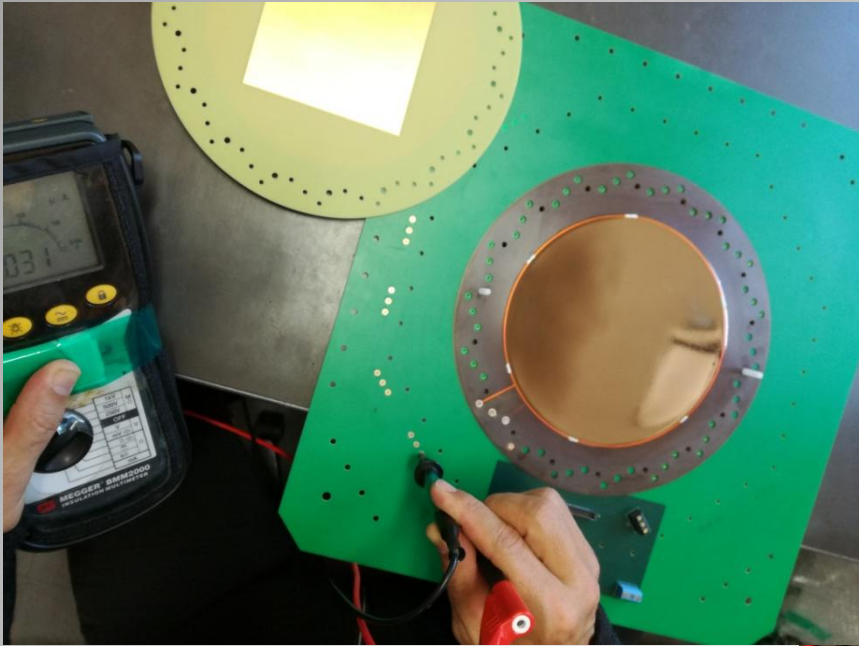
## Fast Timing MPGD



- Resistive structure  $\rightarrow$  transparency  $\rightarrow$  signal from any layer induced in readout
- Time resolution should improve with **N** = number of layers

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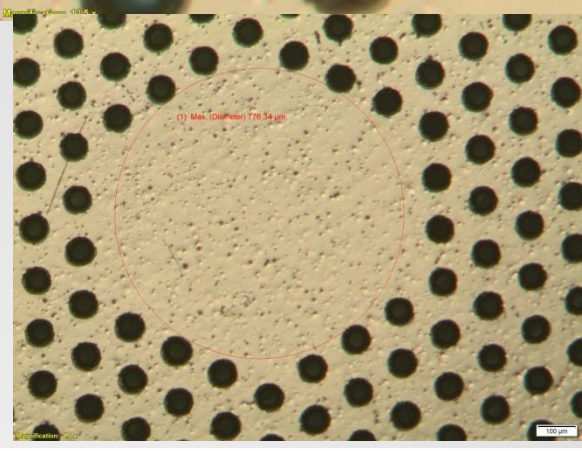
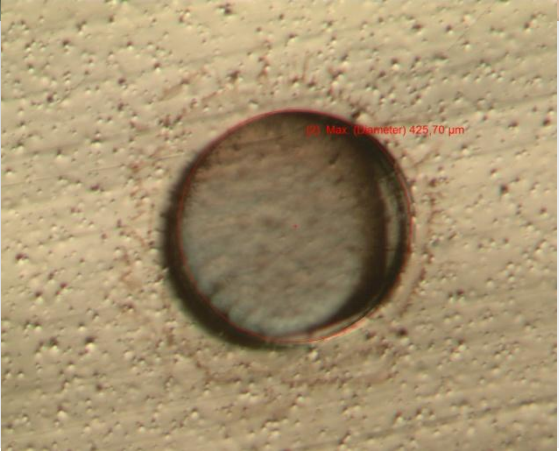
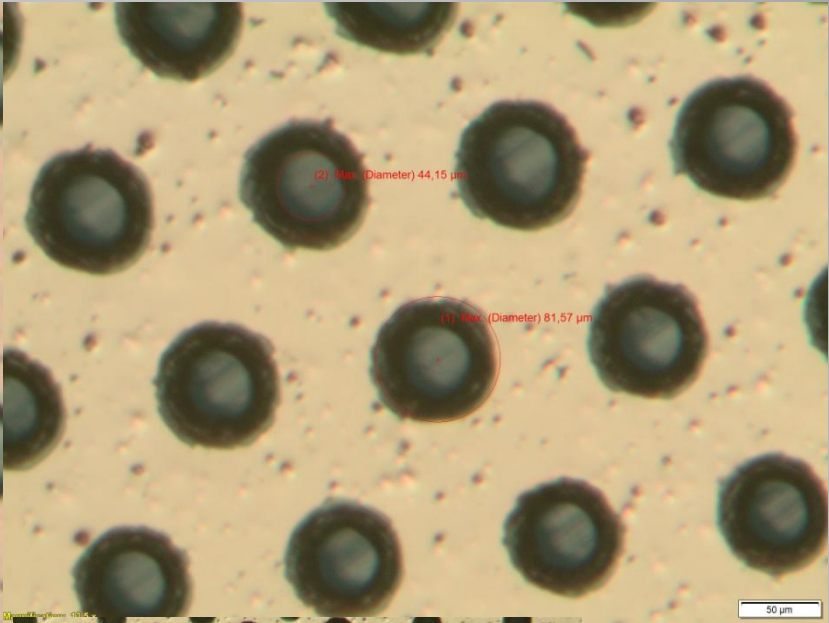
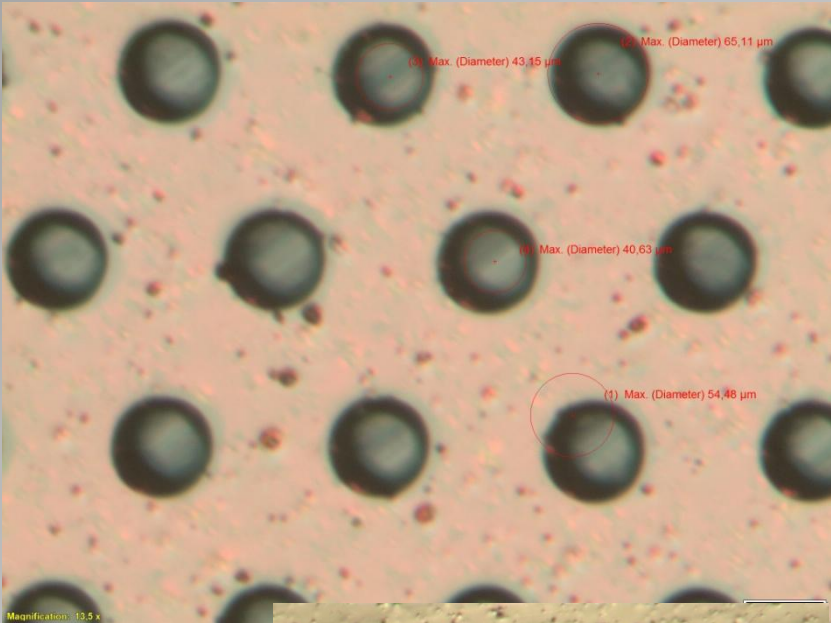
# FTM v4: assembly



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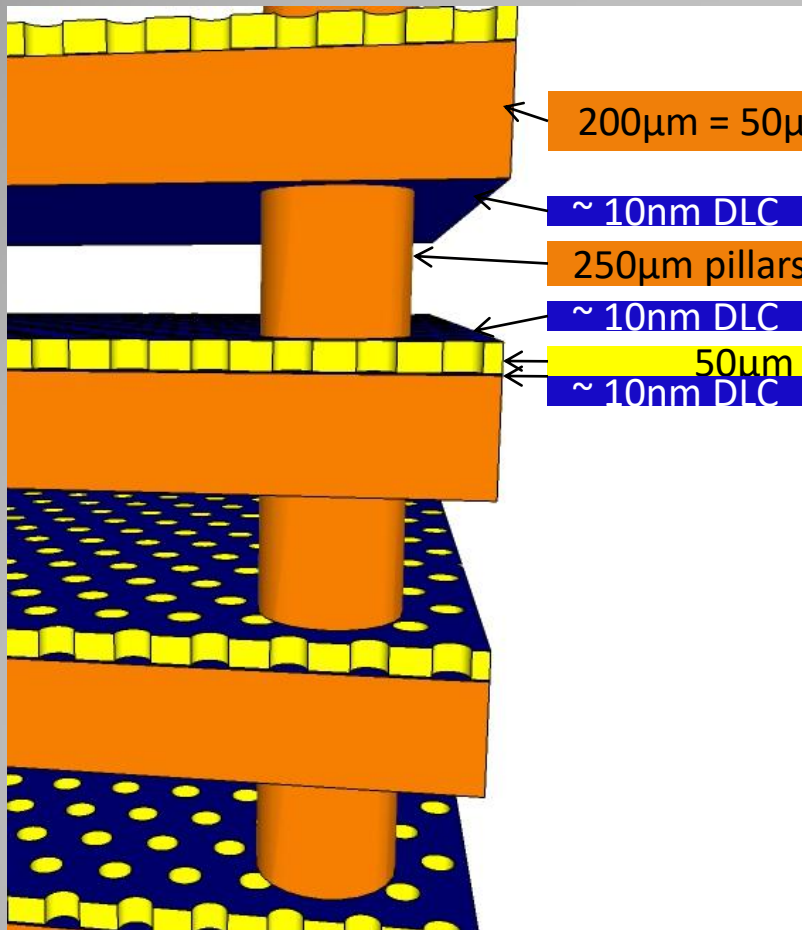
# FTM v4: foils



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# FTM v4: design



200 $\mu\text{m}$  = 50 $\mu\text{m}$  kapton + 100 $\mu\text{m}$  FR4 + 50 $\mu\text{m}$  kapton

~ 10nm DLC

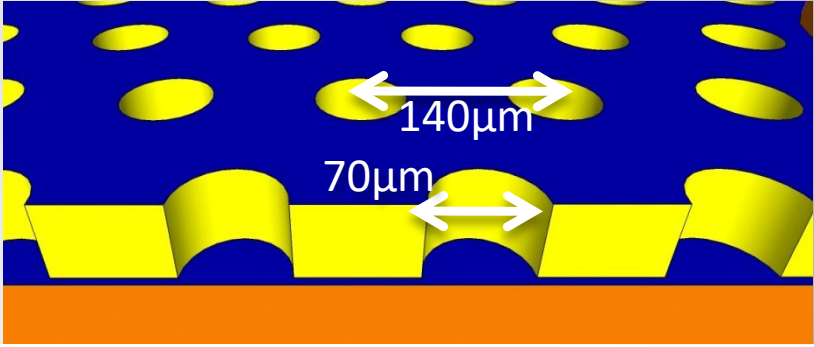
250 $\mu\text{m}$  pillars in "Coverlay" material

~ 10nm DLC

50 $\mu\text{m}$  PI

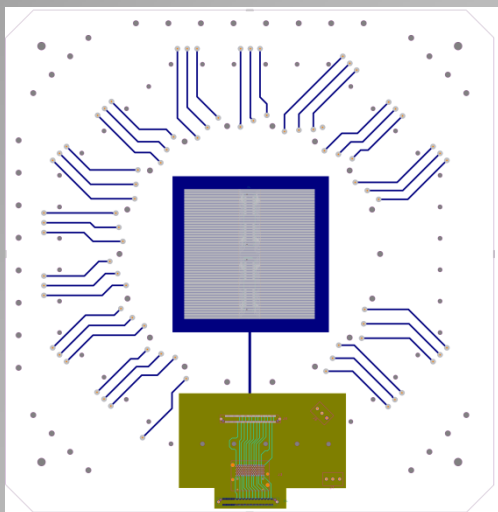
~ 10nm DLC

- 4 independent drift – amplification layers
- 250 $\mu\text{m}$  drift gap
- "GEM-like" amplification foils

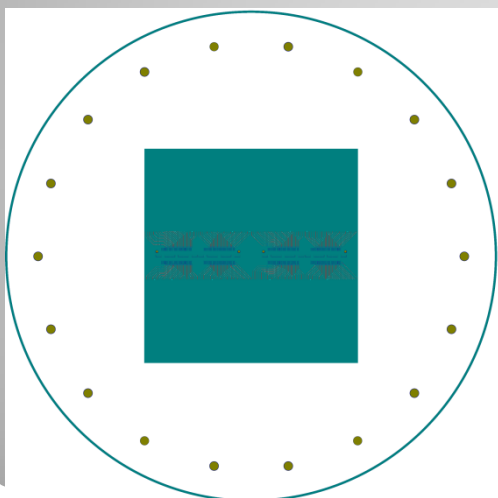


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# FTM v4: specs

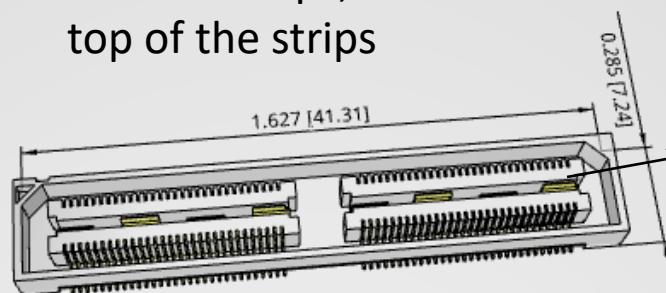


Bottom PCB design



Top PCB design

- **Modular design**
- **Forced gas circulation** through all layers
- Signals are read capacitively both on top and bottom, each **readout** board has 200 strips of 500um width
- Preserve fast pulse: Panasonic → **SAMTEC**
  - QSH-060-01-L-D-A high-speed connector
  - massive central ground pin close to each channel
- **Reduce noise** pick-up:
  - Connector directly on middle of strips → no long vias
  - Large ground plate, grounded connectors
  - Discriminators (fatic chip) as close as possible to the readout strips; front end board directly mounted on top of the strips

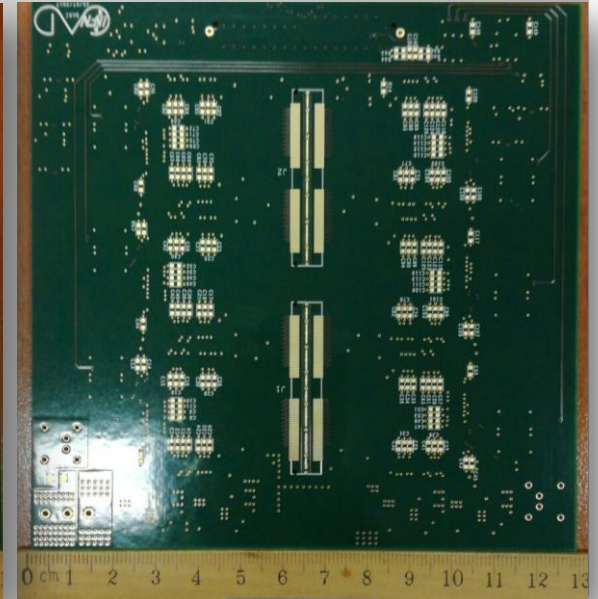
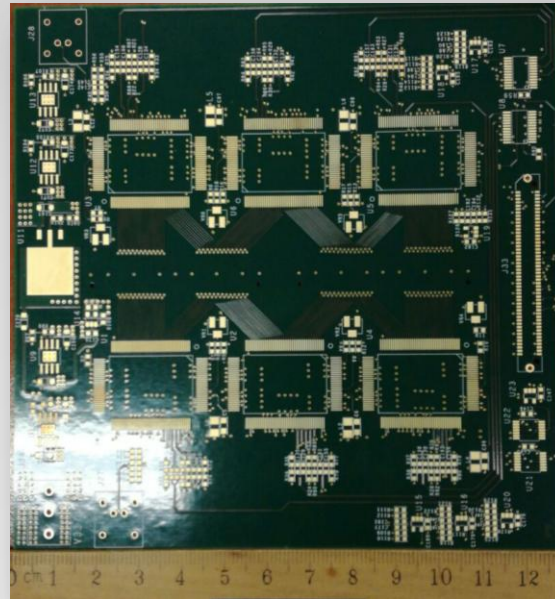


**SAMTEC QSH-060-01-L-D-A**  
**(120 pins)**

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# FTM v4: frontend and DAQ

- **Fast Timing Integrated Circuit (FATIC) chip:** 32 channel CSA + Comparator + TDC (100ps resolution)  
CSA: high gain 50mV/fC;  
low gain 10mV/fC;  
risetime of 7.5ns
- **High speed Digital output** (320 Mbps): Frontend board mounted on top of connector (in gas box) containing 6 FATIC chips (low noise fast discr.) -> 182 channels
- **DAQ with MOSAIC board** (INFN Bari design)



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# Test Setup

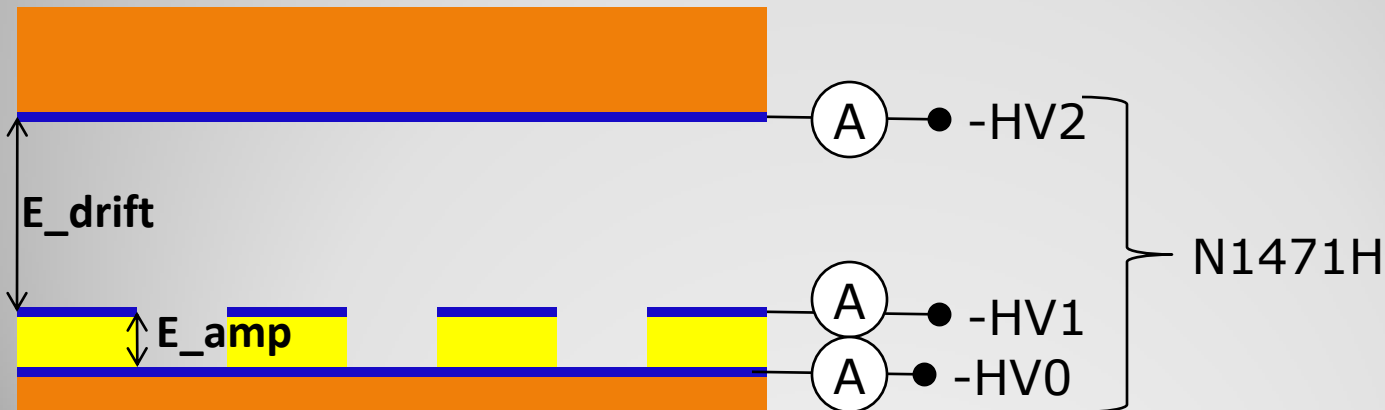
- Gas mixture: Ar/CO2 70/30
- HV Power supply w/ high resolution current monitoring (50pA, e.g. CAEN 1471H)
- Source: X-ray tube

## Single layer:

- HV slow ramp up ( $\rightarrow E_{\text{drift}} = 3\text{kV/cm}$ ,  $E_{\text{amp}} = 10 \div 100\text{kV/cm}$ )
- Linearity test (All currents vs source power)
- Gain estimation

 Repeat for all layers

$$G = \frac{I_{ON} - I_{dark}}{I_{ON,drift} - I_{dark,drift}}$$



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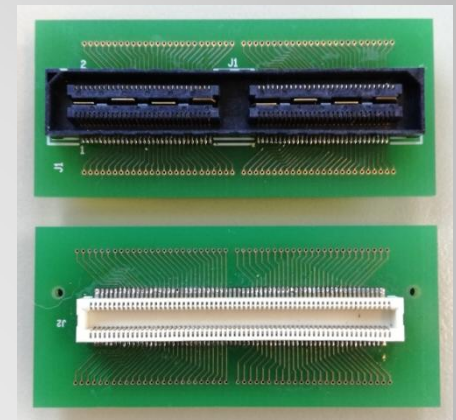
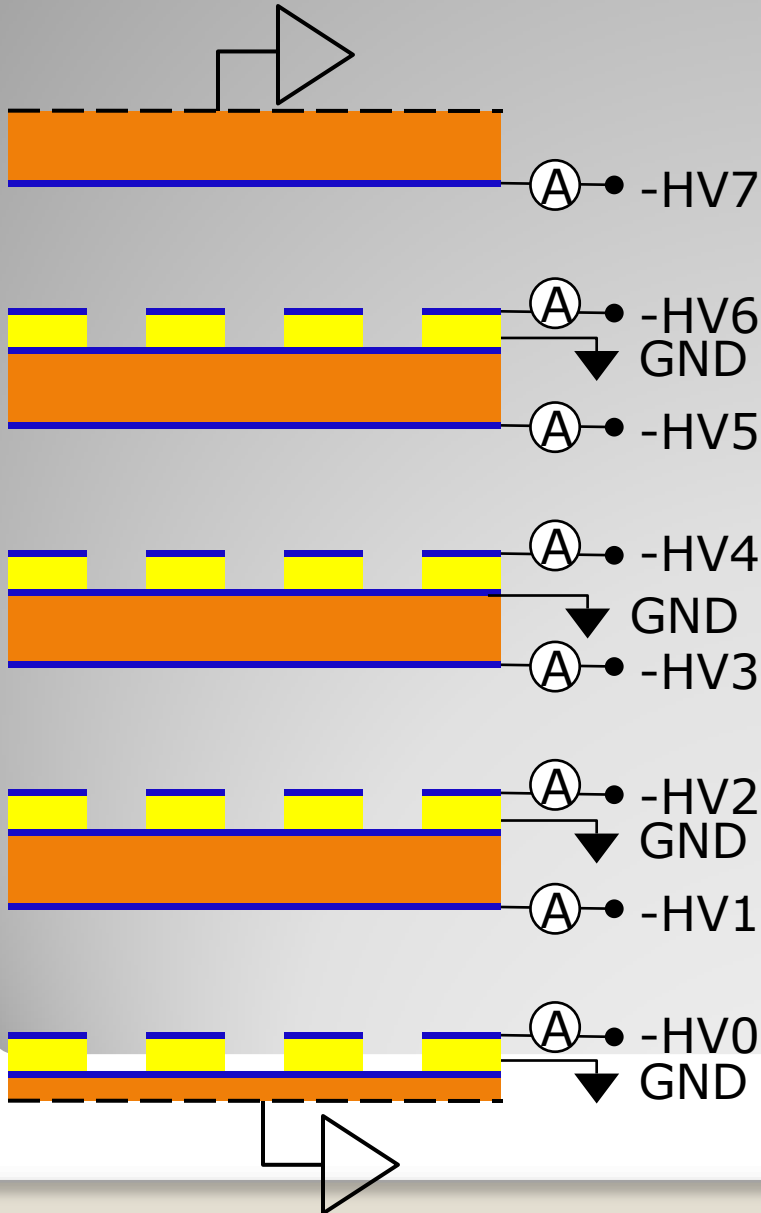


# First tests without frontend board

All layers powering scheme

In order to see the signal from one layer or a group of layers:

- SAMTEC-to-Panasonic → Panasonic-to-Lemo → pre-amp → scope
- Signal = OR of all the strips at the bottom

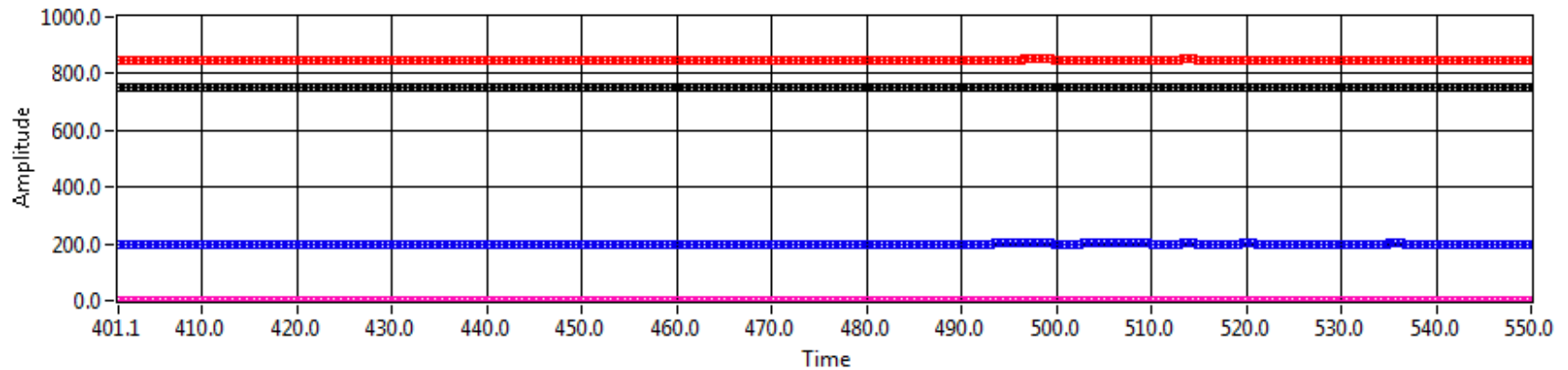


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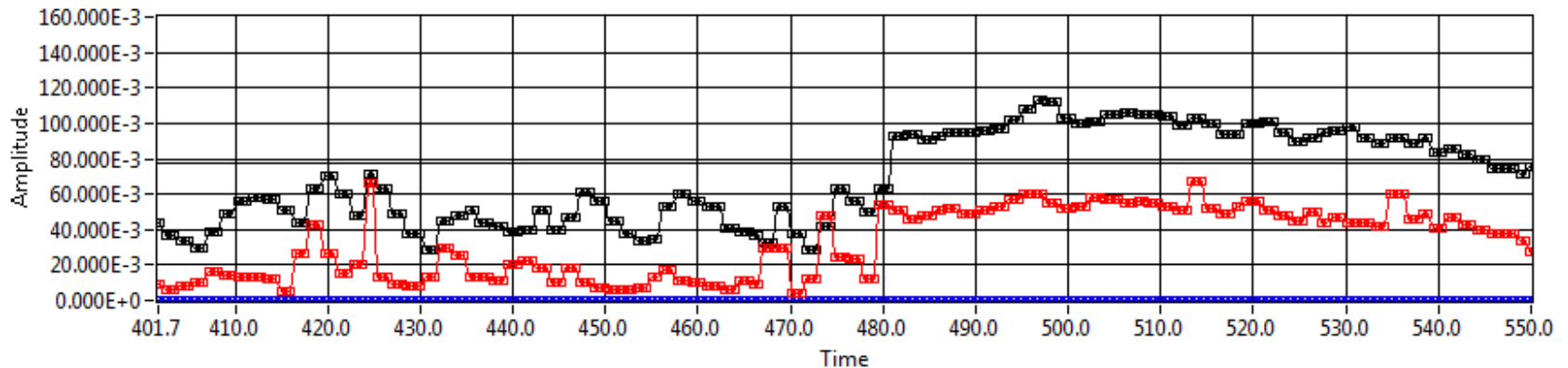
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# FTM powering

VMon Graph



IMon Graph



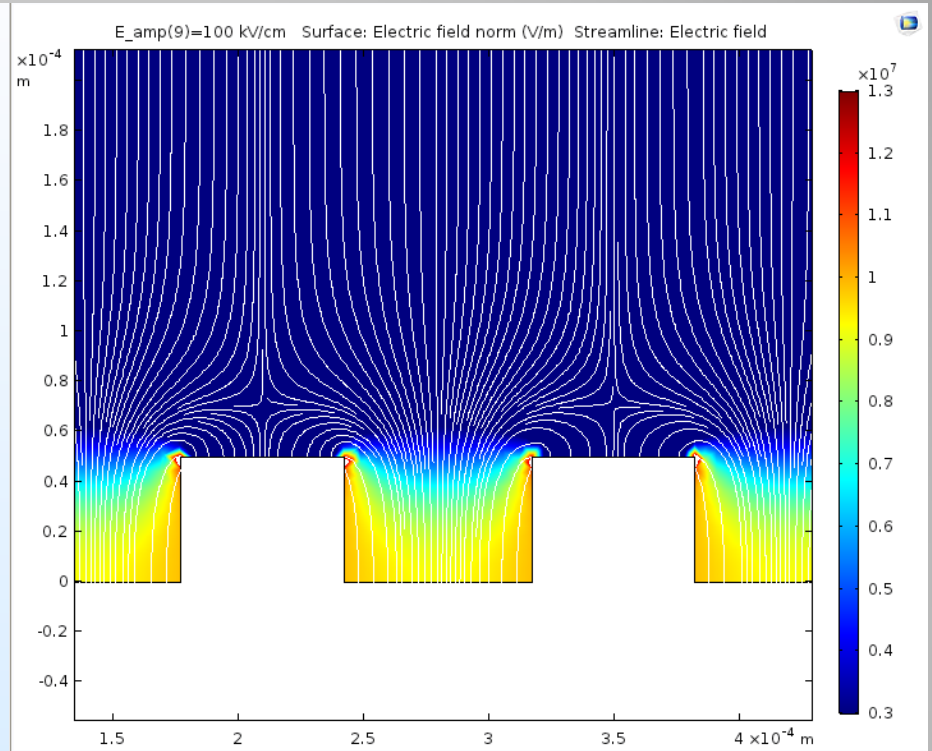
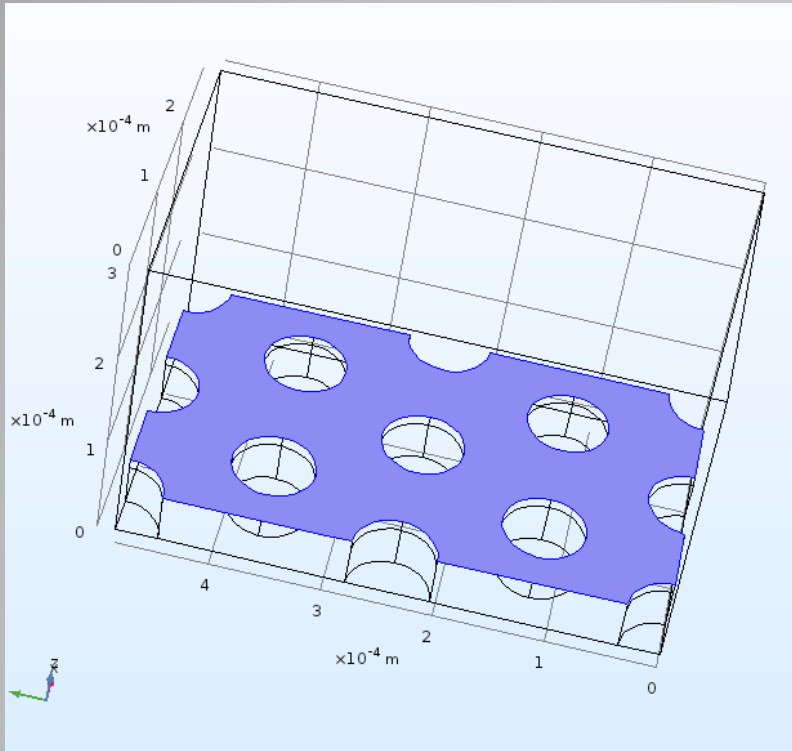
- Current fluctuations ( $\approx 10$  nA) with peaks of  $\mu$ A
- 4° layer is drawing current (N1471H overload )

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# Backup

- Gain estimation
- E\_Field simulation

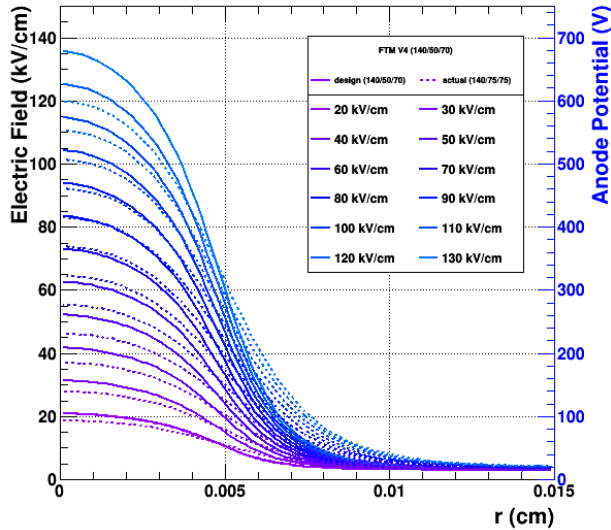
# FTM v4: E field simulations



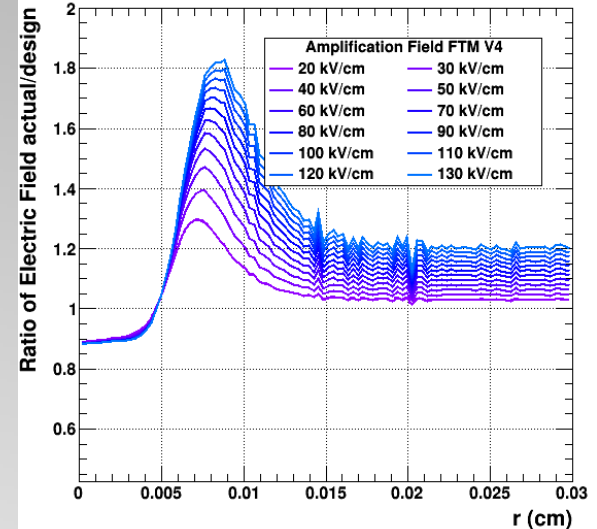
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# FTM v4: Gain estimation

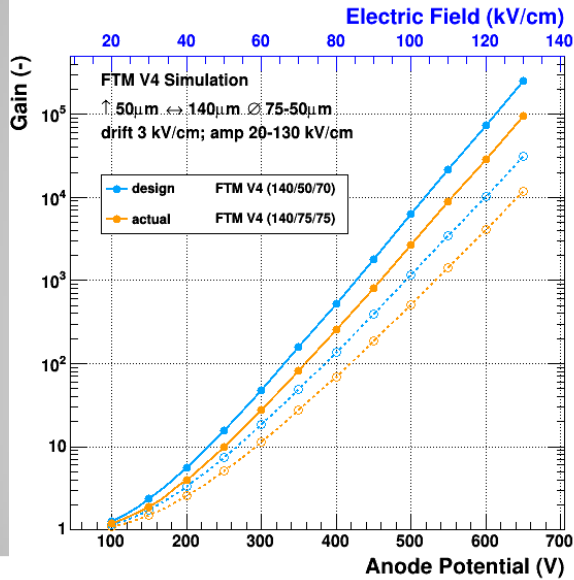
E Field in Center Hole



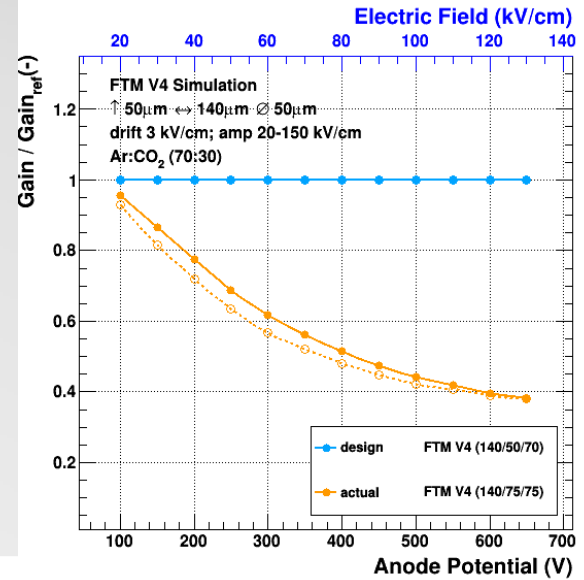
Ratio of E field Hole



Gain Estimate



Ratio of Gain



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