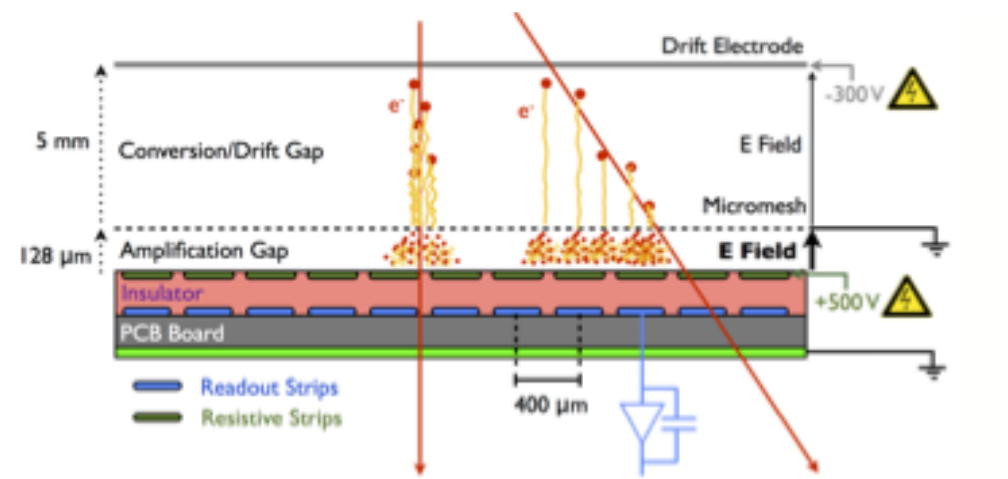
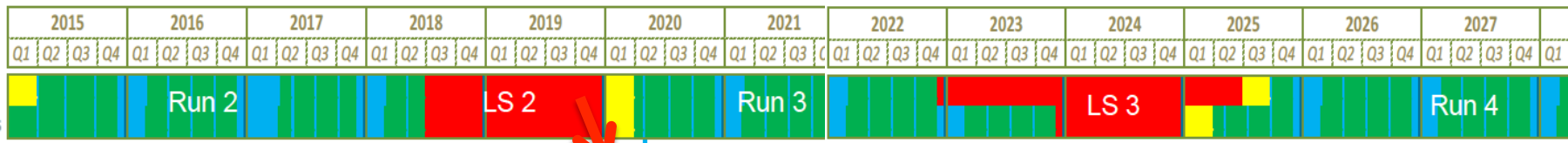


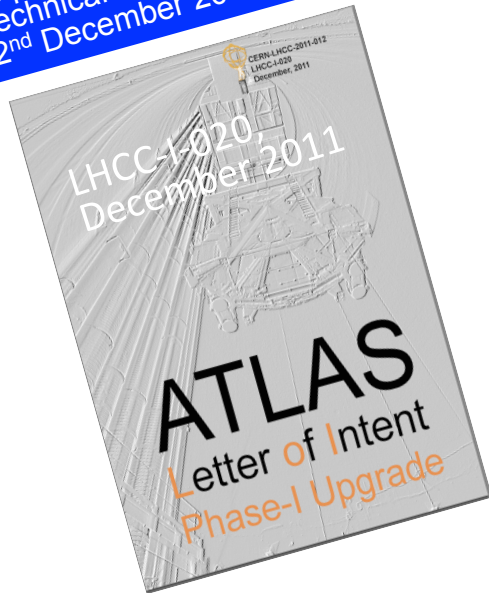
ATLAS MicroMegas



The New Small Wheel upgrade for LHC Phase 1



LHC schedule approved by CERN management and LHC experiments spokespersons and technical coordinators Monday 2nd December 2013



The New Small Wheel is one of the ATLAS upgrade project proposed in the LoI for Phase1 LHC

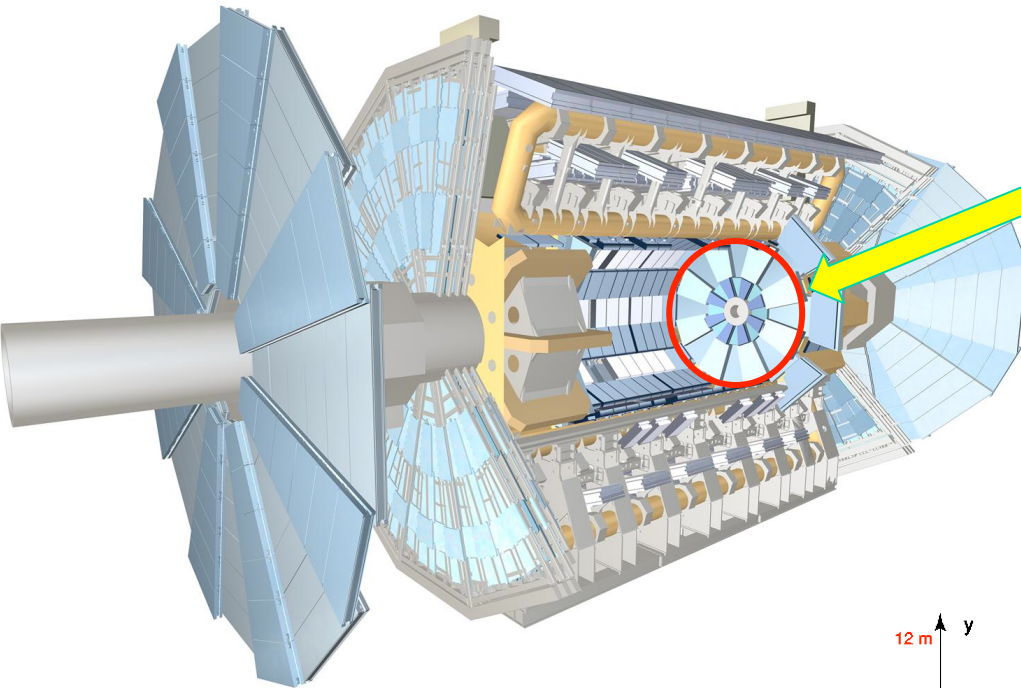
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- Fast TracKing (FTK) for the Level-2 trigger
- Topological Level-I trigger processors
- New forward diffractive physics detectors (AFP)

The NSW must cope with LHC Phase-2 running conditions

- In operation from 2017 to >2032
- Instantaneous luminosity up to $5-7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Average number of interactions per bunch-crossing ~ 140
- Background hit rate up to 14 kHz/cm^2
- Total dose expected in the hottest regions in 15 years $\sim 1 \text{ Coulomb/cm}^2$
- Total Ionizing Dose (TID) in 10 years at large η : about 0.5 Mrad

The ATLAS Muon Spectrometer – present layout

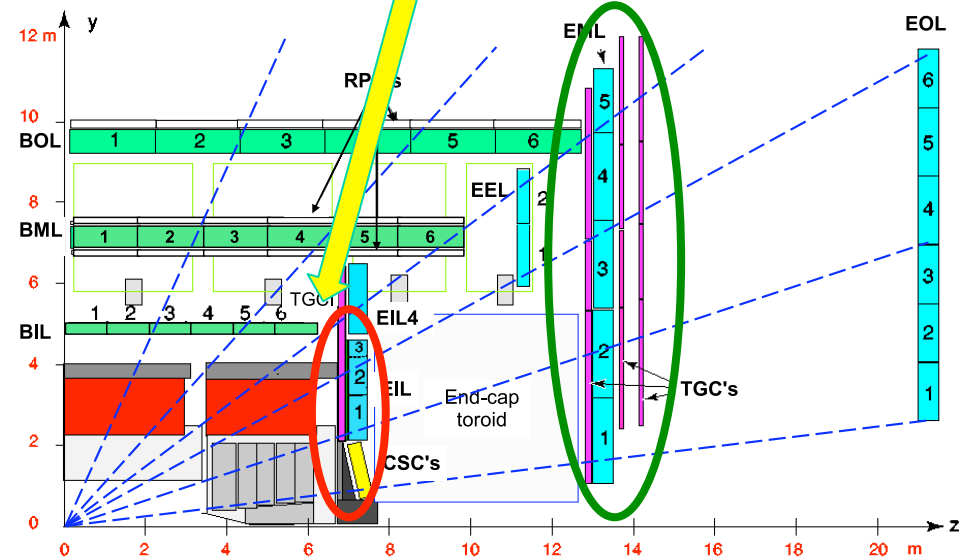


The small wheels

Pseudorapidity coverage:
 $1.3 < |\eta|$

BigWheel
L1 trigger chambers

- The Small Wheel: region with highest background rates in the present ATLAS Muon Spectrometer
- Cathode Strip Chambers (**CSCs**) and Monitored Drift Tubes (**MDTs**) for particle tracking
- Thin Gap Chambers (**TGCs**) for trigger

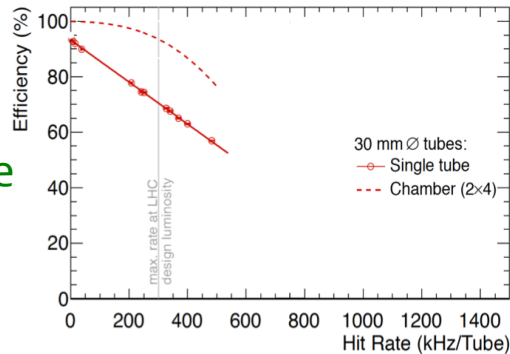


New Small Wheel - Motivations

1) Cavern

Background

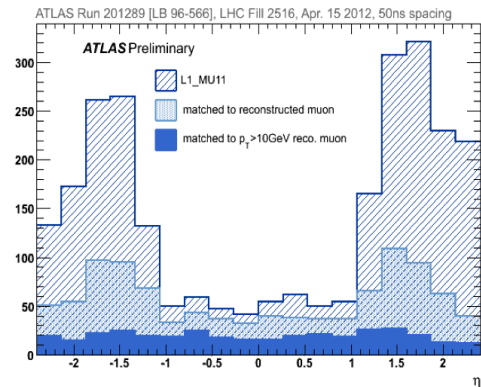
The MDT efficiency drops for tube-hit rates > 300 kHz/tube (tube hit and segment tracking inefficiency)



At 7×10^{34} (luminosity of phase2) the rate estimate is (safety factor 1.5) **14 kHz/cm²** (> 5 MHz/MDTtube)

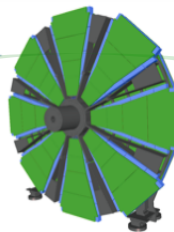
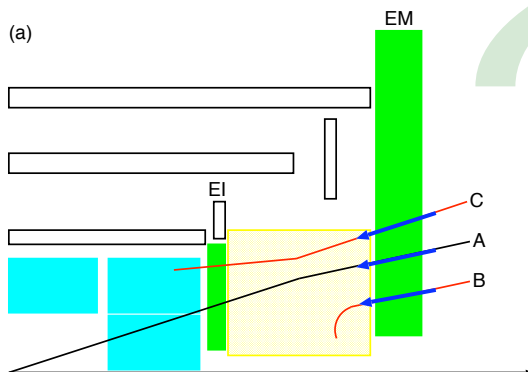
2) TRIGGER

L1 muon trigger rate in the end-cap (based on Big Wheel) dominated by fake triggers.



At $3 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ rate L1MU20 ($p_T > 20$ GeV) ~ 60 kHz exceed the available bandwidth for L1Mu (~ 15 kHz)

Present Level1 muon trigger

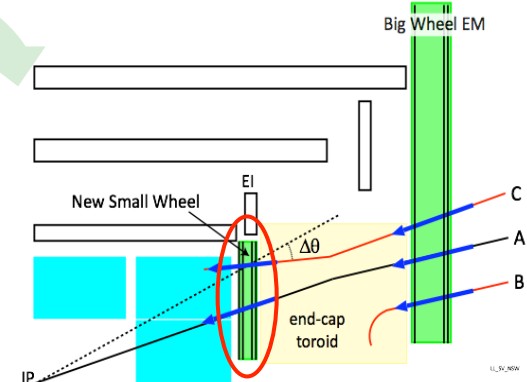


“New Small Wheels”

Reduce fake muon triggers requiring:

- Segments with High precision IP pointing ($\sigma_\theta \sim 1 \text{ mrad}$)
- Matching BigWheel segments

Upgrade L1 with NSW

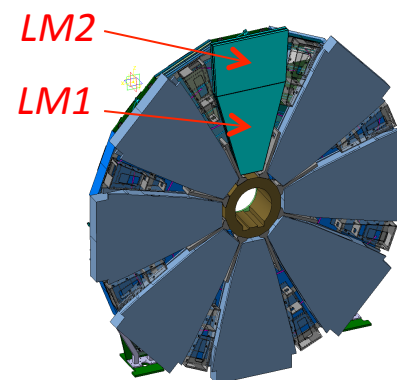


New Small Wheel – Layout

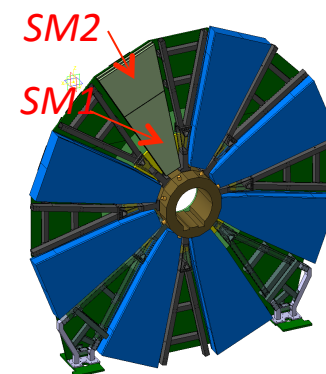
The present Small Wheel defines the basic layout and envelopes

- 16 sectors per wheel (8 Large – 8 Small)
- 2 detector technologies: *MicroMegas* and *sTGC*

MM Large Sector

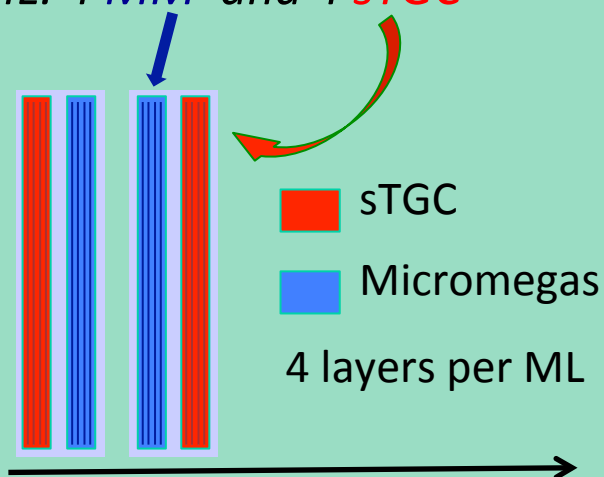


MM Small Sector



16 detector layers per wheel :

- 2 Multilayers per sector
- Each ML: 4 *MM* and 4 *sTGC* planes



sTGC (small strip TGC) primary trigger detector

- Bunch iD with good timing resolution
- Good online space resolution for NSW track vector with <1 mrad angle resolution

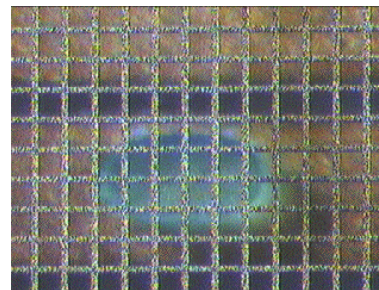
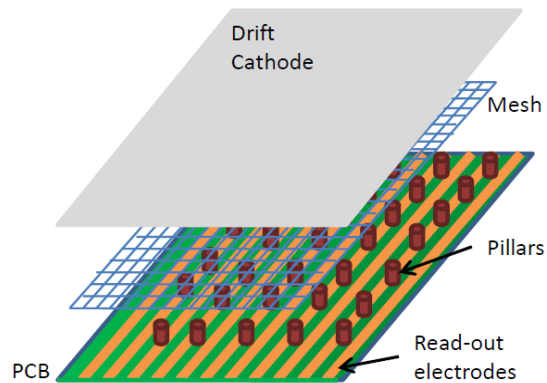
MicroMegas (MM) primary precision tracker

- Good Space resolution ~ 100 μm , independent of angle
- Good track separation (0.5 mm readout granularity)
- Provide also online segments for trigger

- Work together to make a robust detector for the high rate region of very limited access
- The NSW will operate from 2017 until 2032 → ROBUSTNESS and REDUNDANCY

Micromegas Technology

- MM belongs to the family of Micro Pattern Gaseous Detectors (MPGDs)
- Space resolution $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ independent of track incidence angle
- Good track separation due to small 0.4 mm readout granularity (strips)
- Excellent high rate capability due to small gas amplification region and small space charge effects

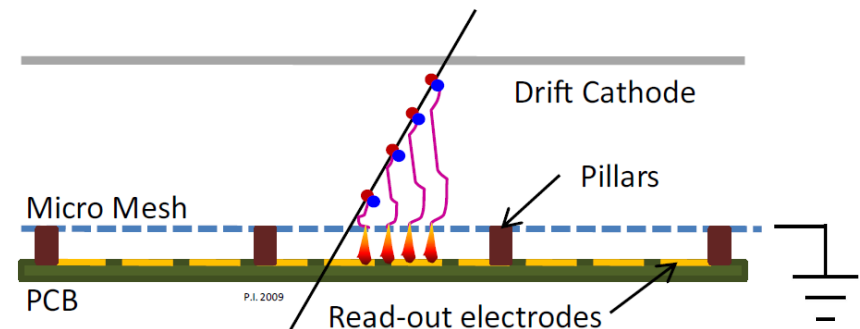


Gas mixture: Ar:CO₂ (93:7)
V drift = 47 $\mu\text{m}/\text{ns}$

Drift Gap = 5 mm
Amplification Gap: 128 μm

$E=600 \text{ V/cm}$

$E=50 \text{ kV/cm}$



Micromegas Chambers

MM module segmentation scheme and work sharing

2 (small sector) + 2 (large sector) module types module production will be done in several production sites according to type:

- SM1: Italy INFN (Cosenza, Frascati, Lecce, Napoli, Pavia, Roma1, **Roma3**)
- SM2: Germany (Freiburg, Mainz, LMU Munich, Würzburg)
- LM1: Saclay
- LM2: Dubna, Thessaloniki

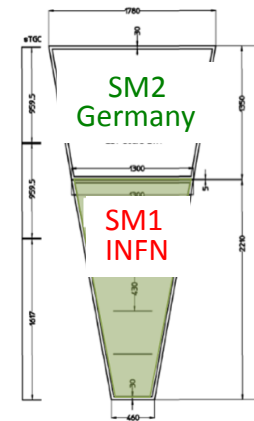
MM Configuration Scheme (decided in January 2014)

Two Quadruplet per module with read-out panels back-to-back

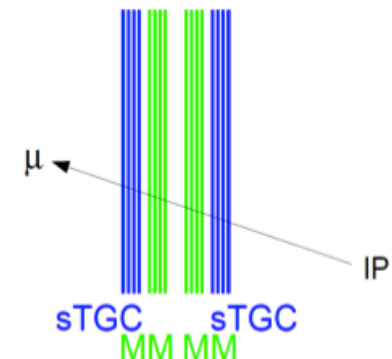
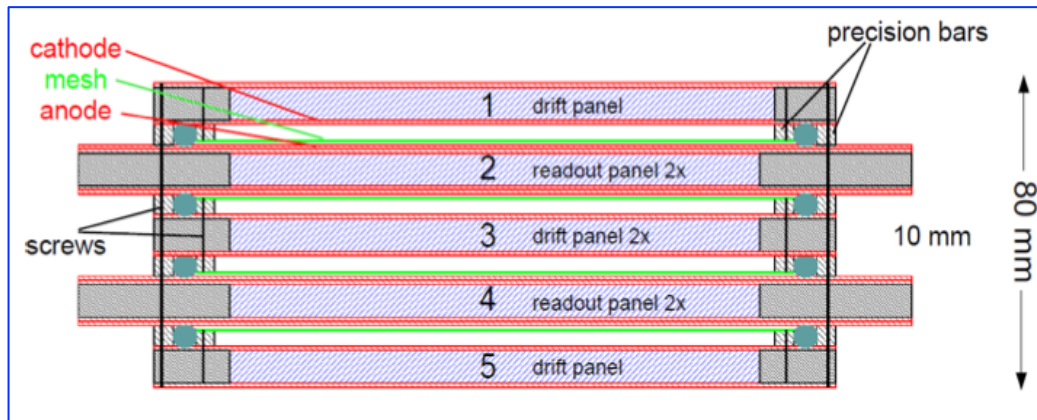
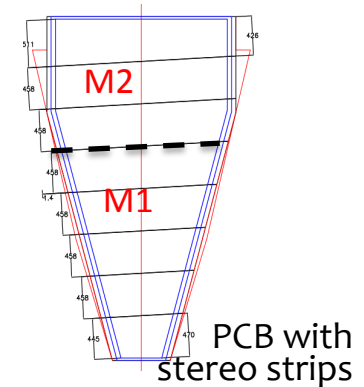
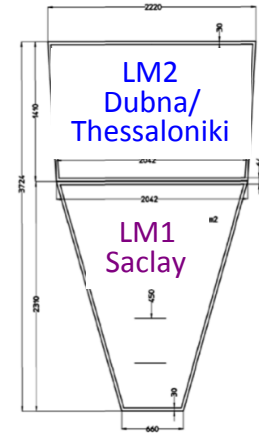
Each module composed by 5 panels and 4 read-out planes:

- 2 planes with “eta” strips (precision coordinate $\sim 100\mu\text{m}$ resolution)
- 2 planes with stereo strips ($\pm 1.5^\circ$) (second coord. $\sim 2\text{mm}$ resolution)

Small Sectors



Large Sectors



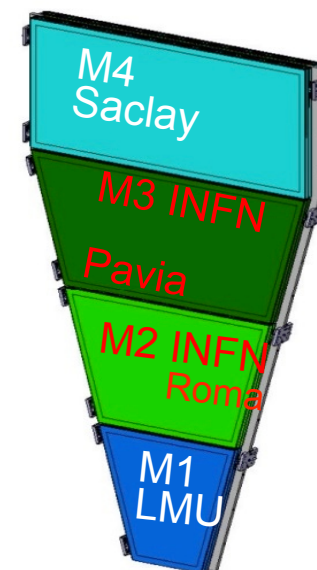
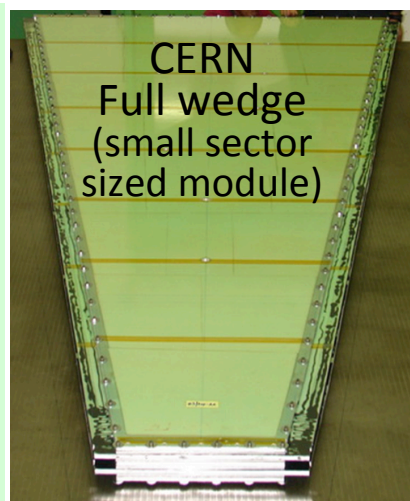
Micromegas Construction - Mechanical prototypes

Mechanical Prototypes - Recent activity

- Construction of 4 modules Mechanical Prototypes is CONCLUDED (according to old segmentation): **INFN PV**, **INFN RM**, **Saclay**, **LMU-Germany**
- Construction of single wedge full size mech. Prototype CONCLUDED: **CERN**

Ongoing measurements:

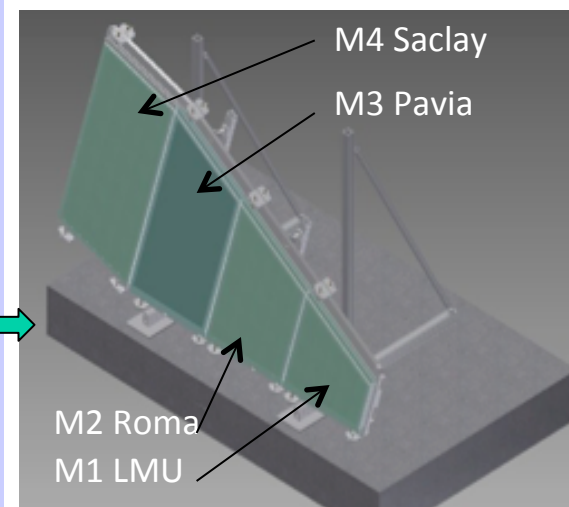
- Thermo-mechanical deformations
- Mesh tension and gas overpressure induced deformations



Mechanical prototypes
(based on old segmentation)

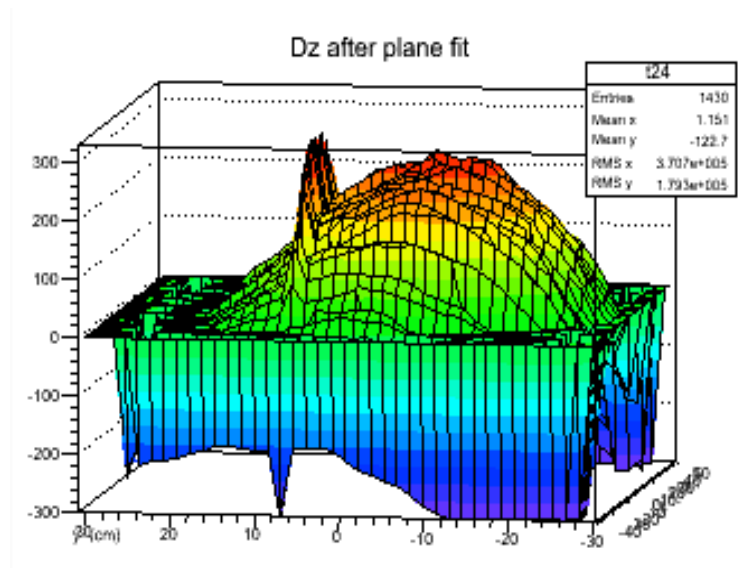
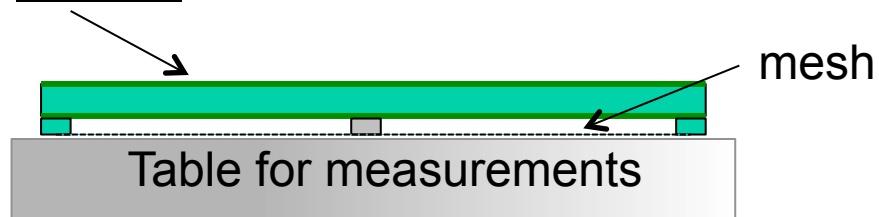
Current measurements being carried on in Freiburg

- Assembly prototypes into 2 dummy sectors, with dummy counter weights as 2nd wedge, to study mechanical deformation and stress
- Measurements to be done at Freiburg (4 modules) and at CERN (full wedge)
- Validation of simulation of Thermo-mechanical deformations
- Crucial input to settle In-plane alignment needs
- Assess and define method to attach modules to sector structure – glueing, kinematic mounting,



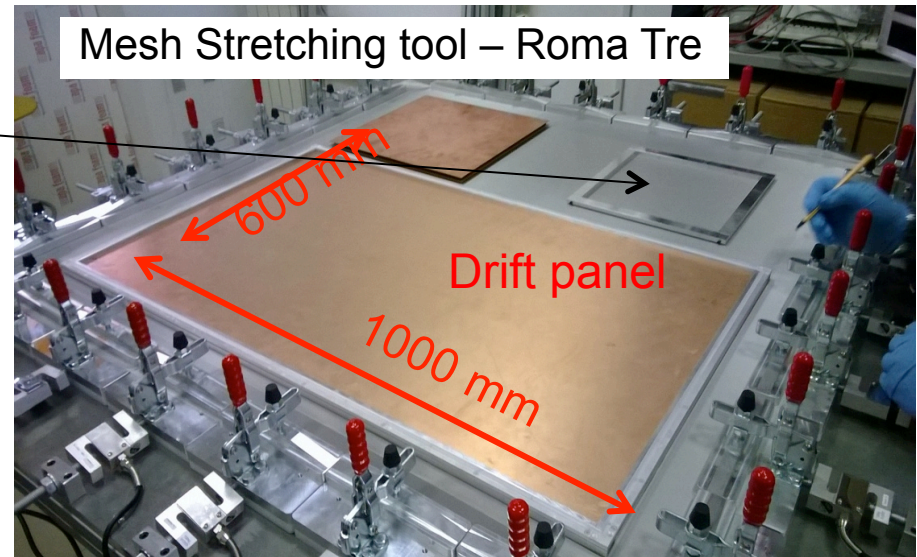
Mesh Tension Induced Deformation (example: test on 100x60cm² in Roma)

Surface measured for deformations



(The spike is a fake measurement)

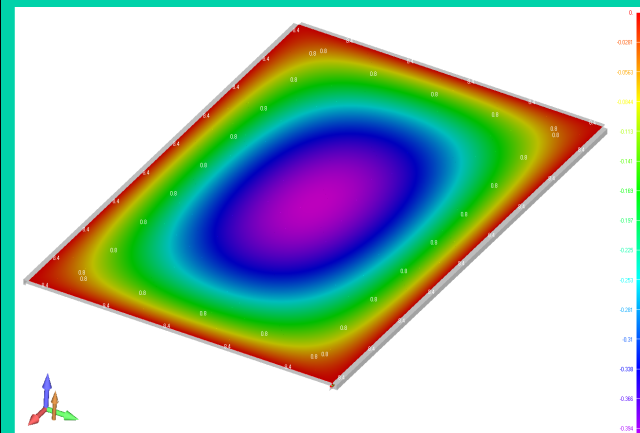
z scale $\pm 300 \mu\text{m}$
Max deformation $\sim 550 \mu\text{m}$



Simulation (A.Zullo)

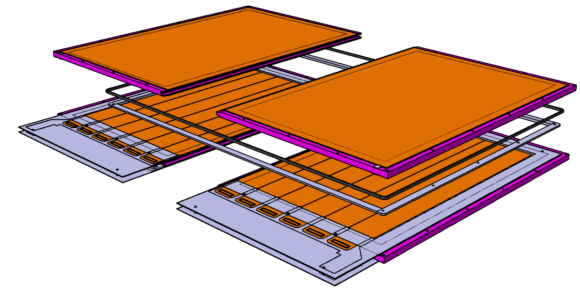
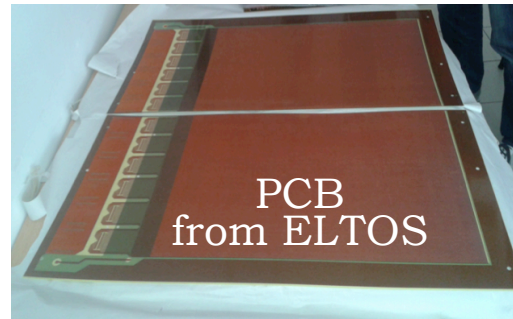
Mesh tension: 10 N/cm \rightarrow max $520 \mu\text{m}$

Mesh tension: 8 N/cm \rightarrow max $440 \mu\text{m}$



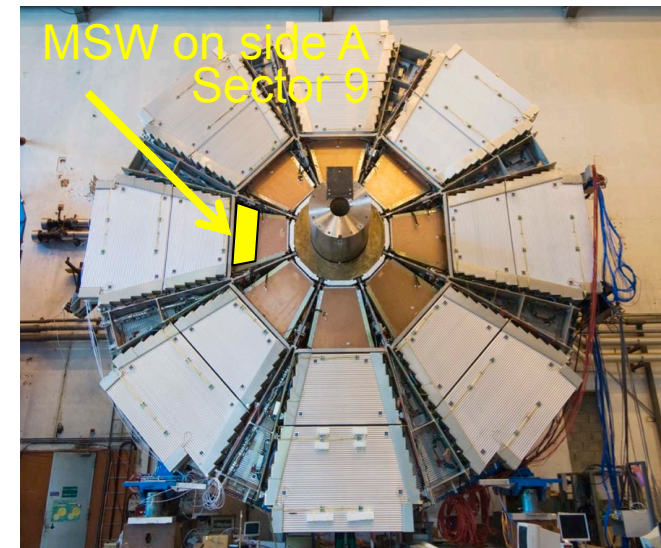
Functional prototypes

Ongoing construction of functional Multiplets in Frascati ($780 \times 730 \text{ mm}^2$) and Saclay ($600 \times 1000 \text{ mm}^2$)



The MSW Project

- One CERN/Mainz prototype (Micromegas Small Wheel module – MSW) will be installed in ATLAS on the Small Wheel to operate during Run2 in real conditions in (*Installation July 2014*)
 - Dimensions $1.2 \times 0.5 \text{ m}^2$ (to fit upper half of CSC)
 - Four layers (quadruplet) 2 eta 2 stereo
 - strip pitch 0.425 mm , 1024 strips/layer
 - PCB Production as close as possible to final production
- Goal is to integrate the data into the ATLAS data stream.



Major Milestones

- The schedule is determined by the installation in ATLAS in mid-2018.
- Before the installation, it is planned that the completed wheels are fully tested on surface during 2017 for about one year.
- In order to match the above schedule, the production of the chamber multiplets, which is expected to take at maximum two years, should start in 2015.
- Year 2014 will be devoted to the production of module-0 and its qualification. Finalization of the chamber construction procedure, preparation of the tooling and infrastructure for qualification should proceed in parallel during this period.

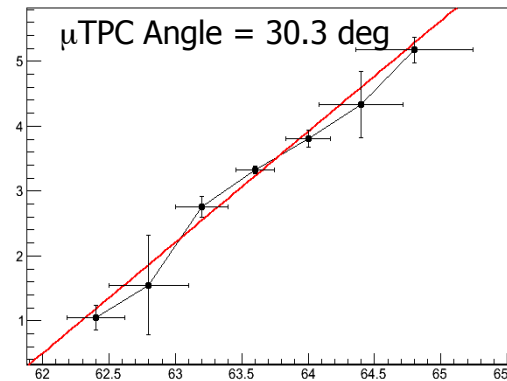
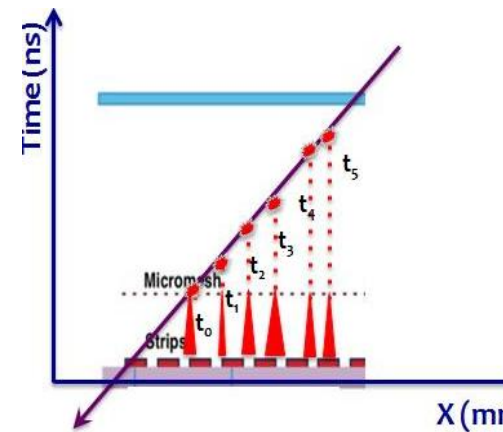
| Milestone | Due |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Submission of VMM ASIC prototype 1 | Beginning 2012 (done) |
| Submission of VMM ASIC prototype 2 | January 2014 (done) |
| Submission of final FE ASIC | 2015 |
| Construction of module-0 | End of 2014 |
| Start chambers production | March 2015 |
| Start assembly of sectors | End 2015 |
| NSW Assembly | Mid-End 2016 |
| Installation | Mid 2018 |

The MSW is a pre-series quadruplet for the NSW MMs

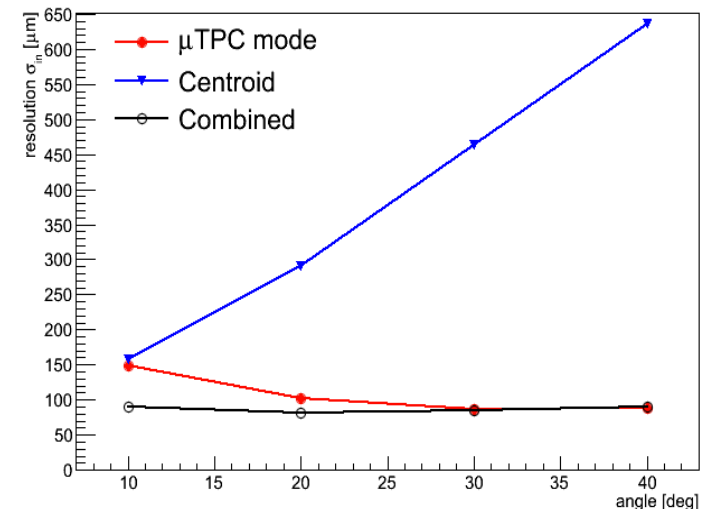
- It will be operational in 2015-2018 under realistic background conditions.
- Test for the integration of the MMs into the forward muon tracking system

Performance studies

- Initiate a process of MM Performance Review, implying test-beam re-analysis, simulation, software development, algorithms improvements



Exploit time information for μ TPC reconstruction



- Spatial resolution $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ in the whole angular range of the NSW
- Studies ongoing for possible improvements

Test-Beam Plans:

- 6-12 August (1 week) at PS T9 line: test of VMM2 chip on small or large MM prototypes
- 1-7 October (1 week) at PS T10 line: test of VMM2 chip on small or large MM prototypes
- 20 Oct. 2 Nov. (2 week) at SPS H6 line (to share with pixels): test of VMM2 on small or large MM prototypes
- 1 week (minimum) between 26 Nov. And 14 Dec. At SPS H4 line: test in Goliath magnet

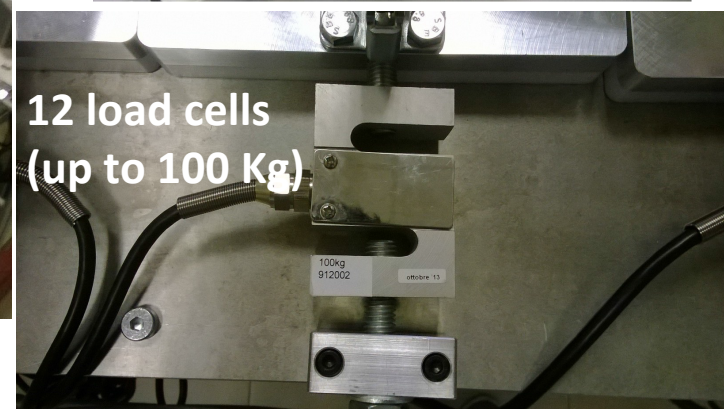
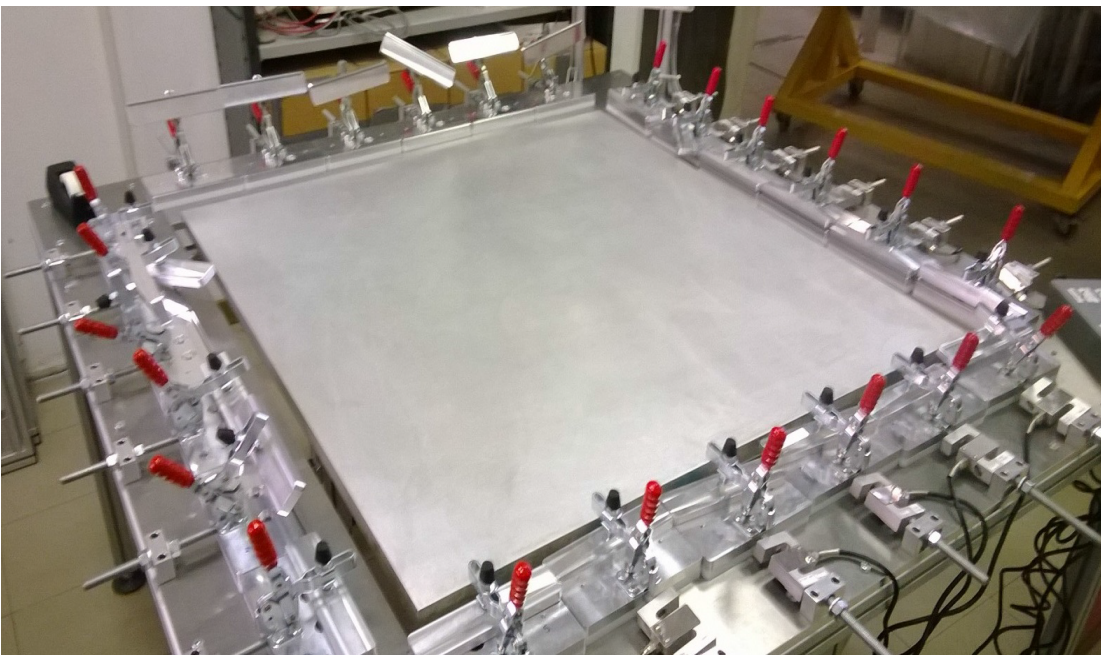
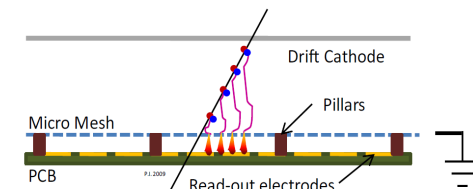
RM3 contribution

We are involved in different aspects of the ATLAS NSW MM project since the beginning:

- Active in preliminary studies, performance measurements, layout definition → **TDR**
- Mauro is the deputy NSW project leader (MicroMegas Detector Working Group)
- We are contributing to the **analysis of the performance** and to the coming **test beam activities**
- We are involved in the definition of the construction procedures:
 - **mesh stretching**, gluing, ...
 - assembly tools
- We will contribute to the detector construction and test:
 - **all the meshes will be stretched in Roma Tre** and then transported to the assembly site (Frascati)
 - we will **participate in the assembly and in the test** at the production site

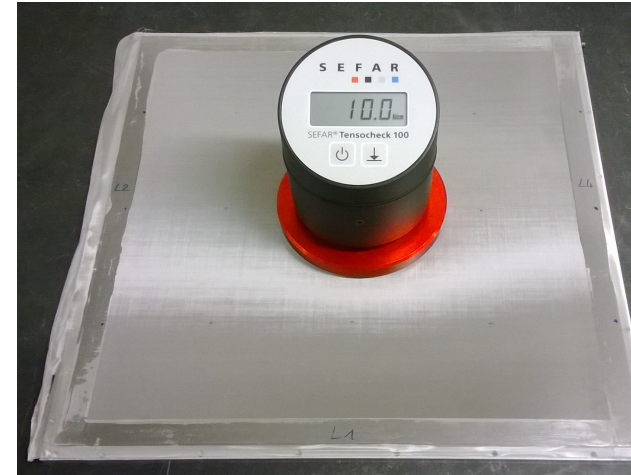
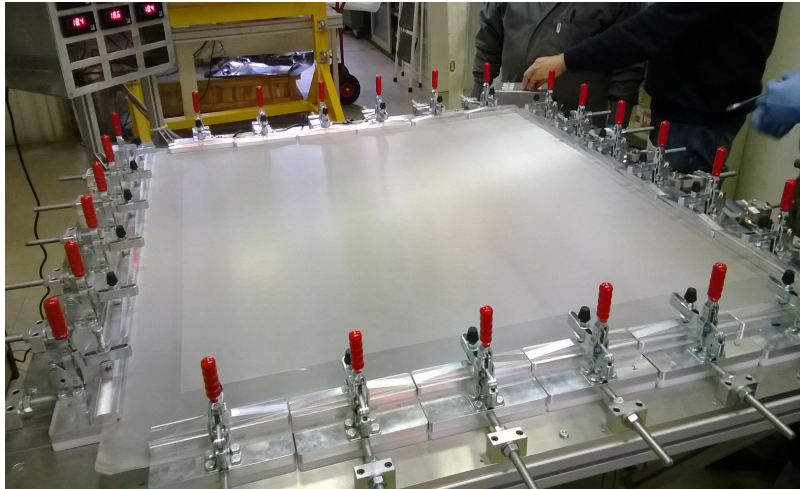
Set-up at Roma Tre

- The mesh is a crucial element of Micromegas chambers.
- It divides drift gap from amplification gap. The distance of $128\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ between mesh and readout plane has to be more accurate as possible, for a uniform amplification .
- It is necessary to stretch the mesh and glue it on the drift panel in way that tension will be constant during all life of ATLAS.
- A mesh stretching tooling is being designed and built in Roma Tre.
- A 1m x 1m prototype is already operative.



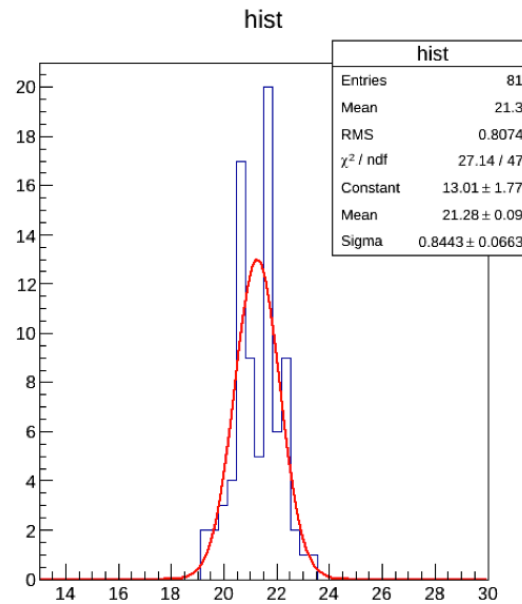
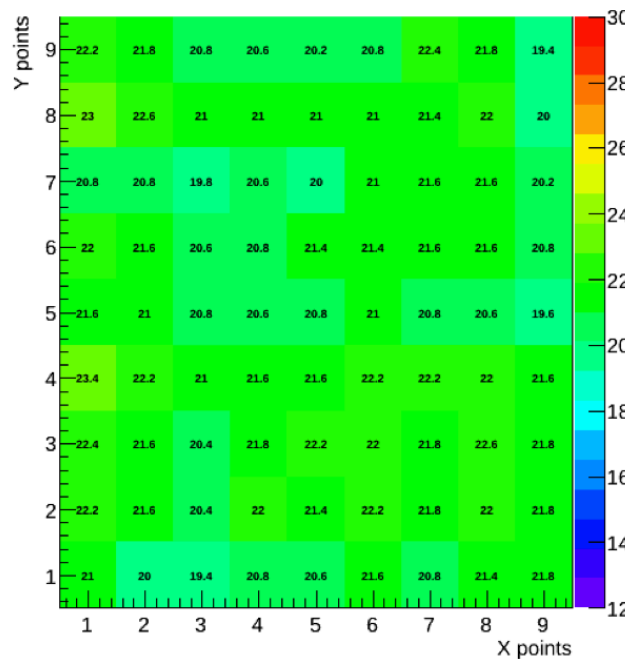
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Mesh tensioning and tests



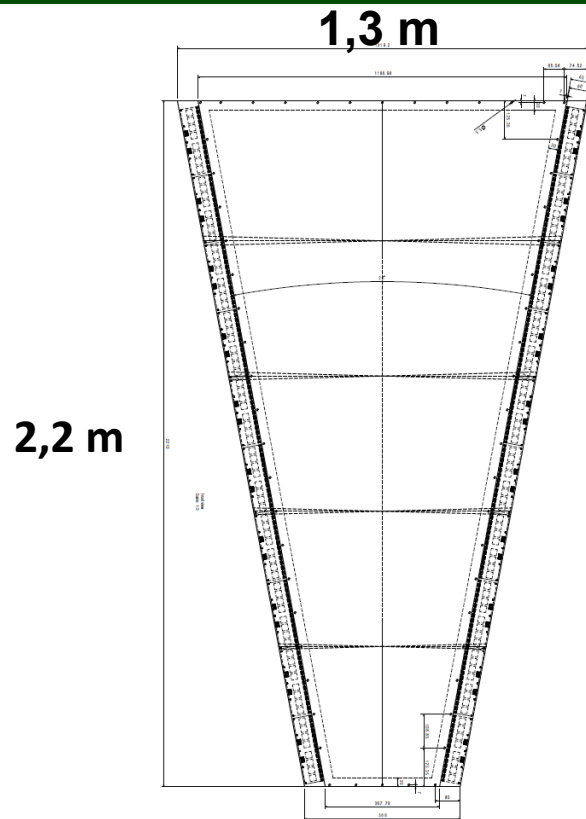
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Tension values



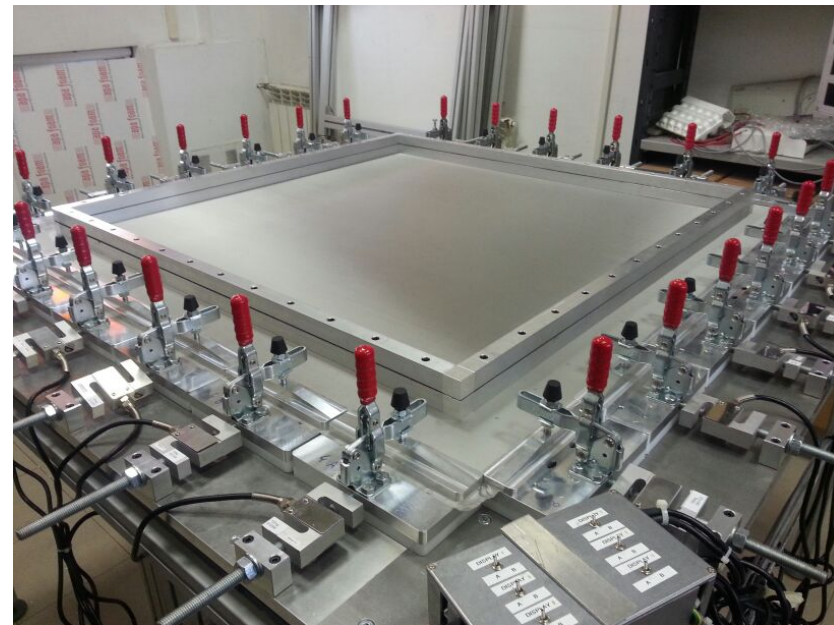
Map of tensions of the stretched mesh

Final mesh stretching tool and transport



Sizes of the MM module that will be realized in Italy

A new stretching tool **2.5 m x 1.5 m** is currently being designed



Prototype 1m x 1m transfer frame:
two frames screwed together, the
same principle of the clamps is used

Advantage: reusable several times

- More than 10 years ago we started contributing to the construction and test of the MDT precision chambers for the Barrel Muon Spectrometer; now we are in the new NSW phase...
- Overall, the construction of the MicroMegas for the NSW is less demanding (32 4-layer chambers will be built in Italy)
- The amount of work to be done in our lab is limited: we should stretch the mesh for all of them (128 meshes).
 - **Spaces:**
 - the stretching tool will be 2.5 m x 1.5 m. We need room for that (plus some temporary storage area + other service desks).
 - Although the meshes will be cleaned before assembly, our lab should be clean **enough** (a clean room?)
 - **Manpower:**
 - in 2015-2016 we need the help of the technicians (one more person is needed!)

Backup slides

Micromegas Mechanical Requirements

Aim: $\sigma(p_T)/p_T < 15\%$ @ 1 TeV

Exercise:

- p_T from “sagitta” = $(x_1 + x_3)/2 - x_2$

$$\sigma(x_1) = \frac{\sigma_{hit}}{\sqrt{N}} \oplus \sigma_{chamber} \oplus \sigma_{align}$$

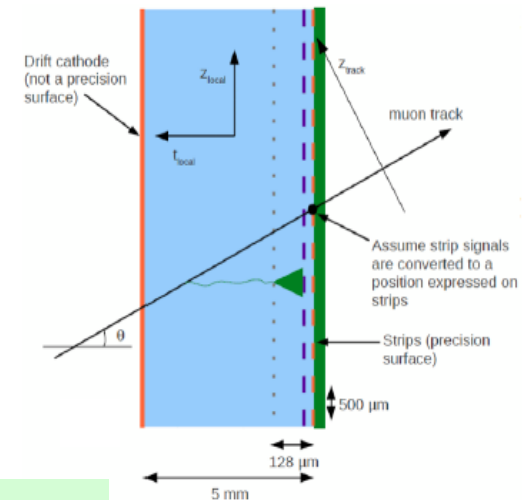
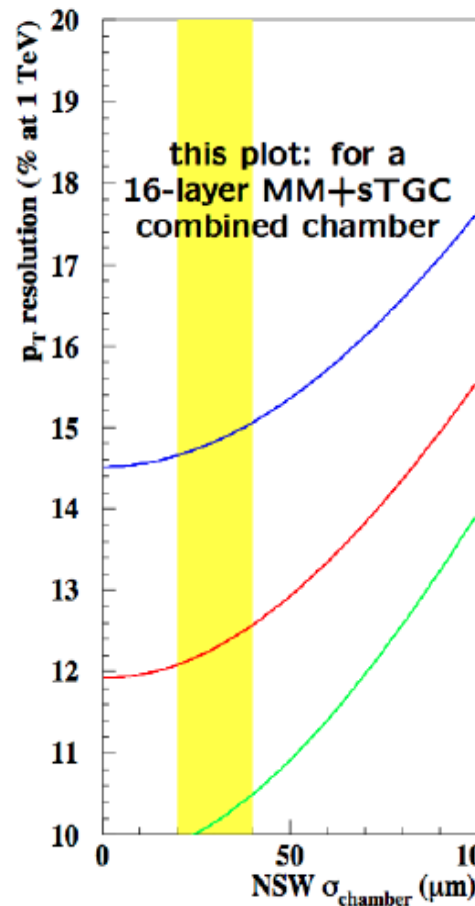
- $\sigma_{chamber}$ = “granite table” accuracy
- Assume (blue line):

$$\sigma_{hit} = 100 \mu\text{m}; N = 16$$

$$\sigma_{align} = 50 \mu\text{m}$$

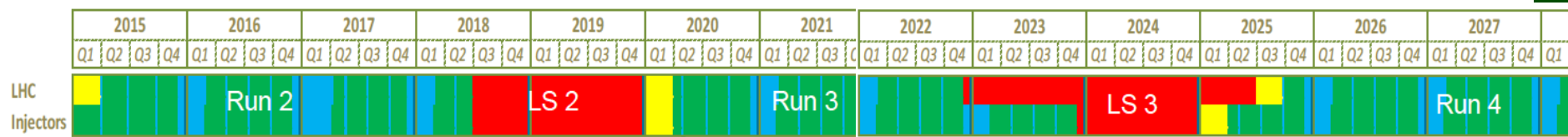
Up to which $\sigma_{chamber}$ can we tolerate?

$\sigma_{chamber} = 40 \mu\text{m}$ is ok



Strip Position Accuracy:
 In plane: $\sigma(z) < 30 \mu\text{m}$ RMS ; MaxDev $< 100 \mu\text{m}$
 Out-Plane: $\sigma(t) < 80 \mu\text{m}$ RMS ; MaxDev $< 200 \mu\text{m}$

ATLAS UPGRADES



“Phase-0” upgrade: consolidation
 $\sqrt{s} = 13\sim 14$ TeV, 25ns bunch spacing
 $\mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\mu \approx 27.5$)
 $\int \mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

“Phase-I” upgrades:
 ultimate luminosity
 $\mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 2\text{-}3 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\mu \approx 55\text{-}81$)
 $\int \mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 350 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

“Phase-II” upgrades:
 $\mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\mu \approx 140$) w. leveling
 $\approx 6\text{-}7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\mu \approx 192$) no level.
 $\int \mathcal{L}_{inst} \approx 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

ATLAS has devised a 3 stage upgrade program to optimize the physics reach at each Phase

- New Insertable pixel b-layer (IBL)
- New Al beam pipe
- New pixel services
- New evaporative cooling plant
- Consolidation of detector elements (e.g. calorimeter power supplies)
- Add specific neutron shielding
- Finish installation of EE muon chambers staged in 2003
- Upgrade magnet cryogenics

- New Small Wheel (nSW) for the forward muon Spectrometer
- High Precision Calorimeter Trigger at Level-1
- Fast TracKing (FTK) for the Level-2 trigger
- Topological Level-1 trigger processors
- New forward diffractive physics detectors (AFP)

- All new Tracking Detector
- Calorimeter electronics upgrades
- Upgrade part of the muon system
- Possible Level-1 track trigger
- Possible changes to the forward calorimeters

Cost of the Project

| Item | CORE (kCHF) | Possible addition | Common item | 2013 | 2014 | CORE 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|------|-------|--------------|-------|-------|------|
| sTGC detector | 2,419 | | | 385 | 962 | 874 | 173 | 25 | |
| MM detector | 2,804 | | | 15 | 430 | 2,070 | 289 | | |
| Alignment system | 610 | 132 | | | | 59 | 474 | 77 | |
| Mechanics, integration | 150 | | 1,558 | | | 60 | 60 | 30 | |
| FE ASIC | 1,049 | | | | | 682 | 367 | | |
| FE electronics | 2,206 | | | | 149 | 829 | 1,227 | | |
| DAQ(*), configuration | 267 | | | | | | 19 | 248 | |
| DCS system | 87 | | | | 32 | | 55 | | |
| HV, LV | 1,600 | | | | | 500 | 500 | 600 | |
| On-detector services | 181 | | | | | 60 | 100 | 21 | |
| Total | 11,373 | 132 | 1,558 | 400 | 1,573 | 5,134 | 3,265 | 1,001 | |

The cost of the project is planned to be covered by all institutions participating the NSW project

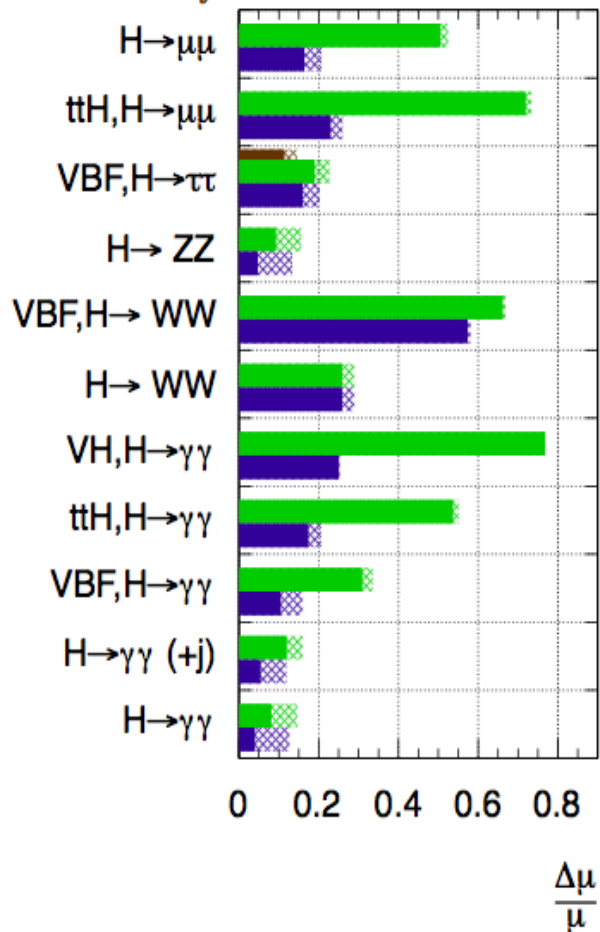
The commitments of each funding agencies will be formulated in the MoU of NSW construction (currently being finalized)

- Branching ratios (molti canali di decadimento possibili...) in particolare per il settore fermionico (e quindi per i fermioni piu' pesanti accessibili: τ e b)
 - Higgs self-coupling (e.g. $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$)
 - ttH ; $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ per misure di coupling a t e μ
- Inoltre potremmo estendere ricerche BSM (in particolare SUSY) grazie ai $\sim 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ previsti, raddoppiando i limiti di massa attuali
- Per poter far questo (in particolare per $m_{\text{Higgs}} = 125 \text{ GeV}$) bisogna mantenere (o migliorare) le performance di ATLAS per tutte le osservabili importanti (p , E , $E_{T\text{-miss}}$, identificazioni e vertexing) e per le soglie di trigger nelle condizioni di maggior luminosita' e pile-up

ATLAS Preliminary (Simulation)

$\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$: $\int L dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$; $\int L dt = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

$\int L dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ extrapolated from 7+8 TeV

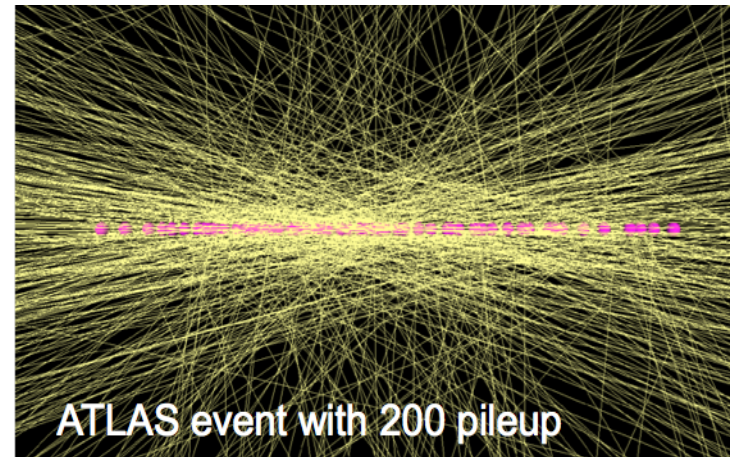


MOTIVAZIONI PRINCIPALI PER GLI UPGRADE DEI RIVELATORI

- Gli upgrade dei rivelatori sono motivati dal mantenimento e/o miglioramento delle performance con l'aumento della luminosità istantanea:

da 1×10^{34} a $> 5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- Il numero elevato di interazioni per bunch-crossing, pile-up fino a $\langle \mu \rangle \sim 200$ rappresenta la sfida principale per la ridefinizione del trigger (hardware – Level1 – e software – High Level Trigger) ai fini di mantenere la sensitività ai pochi eventi interessanti
- L'alto pile-up può saturare read-out links (alta occupancy)
- Alcuni rivelatori (specialmente quelli vicino alla beam-pipe) sono danneggiati dall'accumulo di dosi elevate. Fluence fino a $10^{16} n_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$



GLI UPGRADE DI FASE 0 (2013-2014)

| 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | ... | 2030 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|------|
| | | | | LSI | | | | | LS2 | | | | LS3 | | | |

“Phase-0” upgrade: consolidation
 $\sqrt{s} = 13\sim 14 \text{ TeV}$, 25ns bunch spacing
 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{inst}} \approx 1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\mu \approx 27.5$)
 $\int \mathcal{L}_{\text{inst}} \approx 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- New Insertable pixel b-layer (IBL)
- New Al beam pipe
- New pixel services
- New evaporative cooling plant
- Consolidation of detector elements (e.g. calorimeter power supplies)
- Add specific neutron shielding
- Finish installation of EE muon chambers staged in 2003
- Upgrade magnet cryogenics

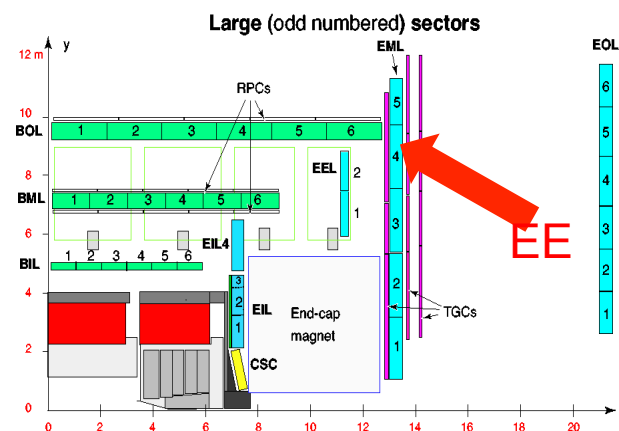
UPGRADE di Fase 0

- Oltre alle attività di “consolidamento” del rivelatore, due “upgrade” principali:

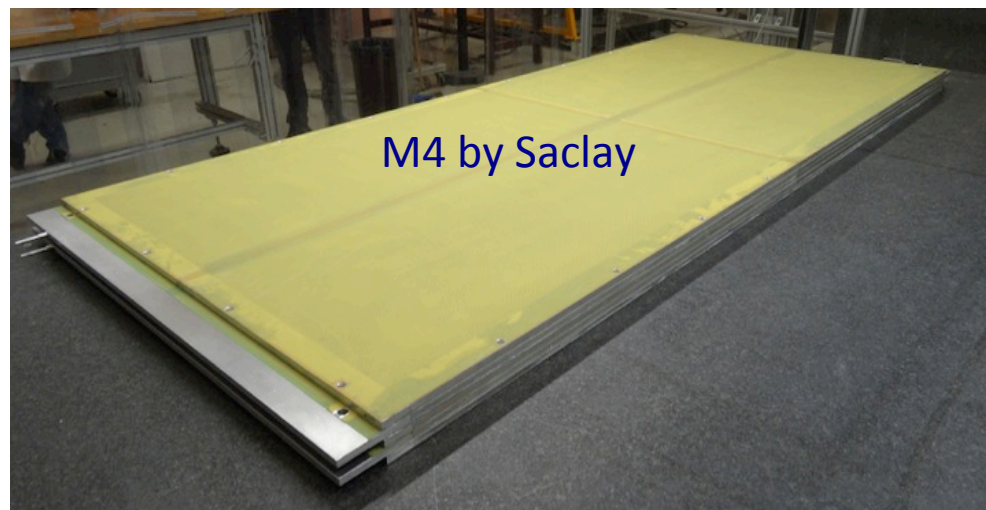
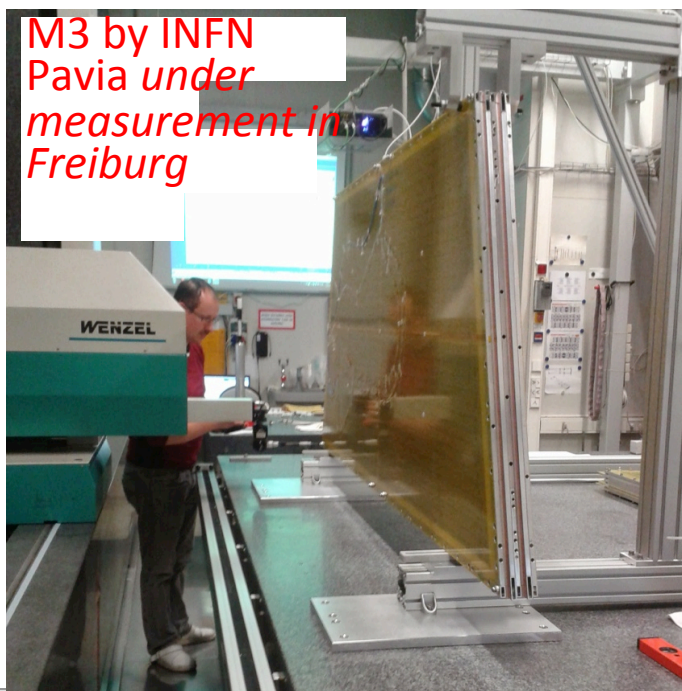
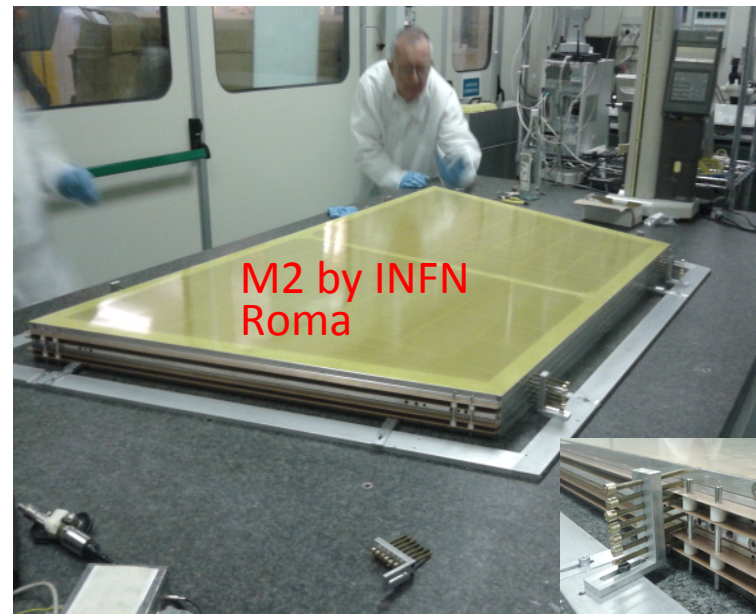
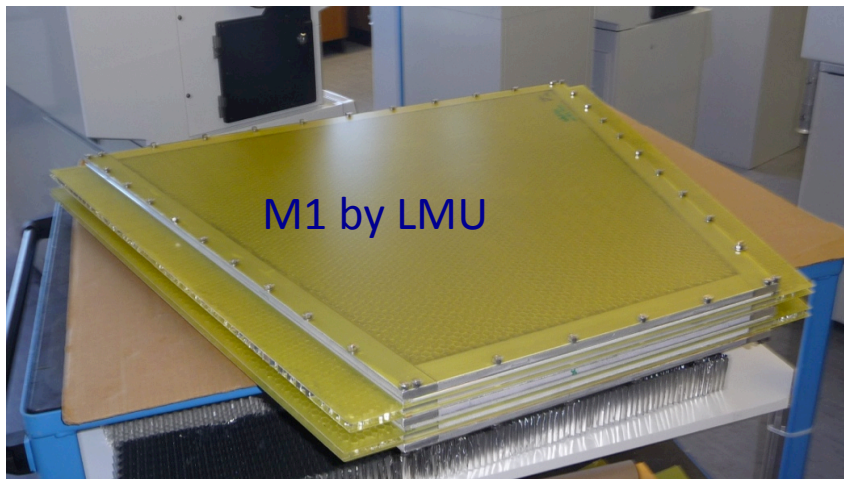
→ PIXEL: Insertable B-Layer (prossima slide)



Completamento
 Installazione delle
 camere MDT EE
 (Endcap-
 Extension) nella
 regione $1.0 < \eta < 1.3$



MECHANICAL PROTOTYPES — READY FOR MEASUREMENTS IN FREIBURG



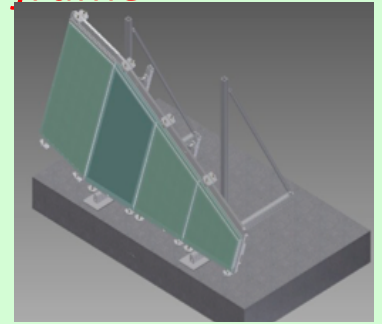
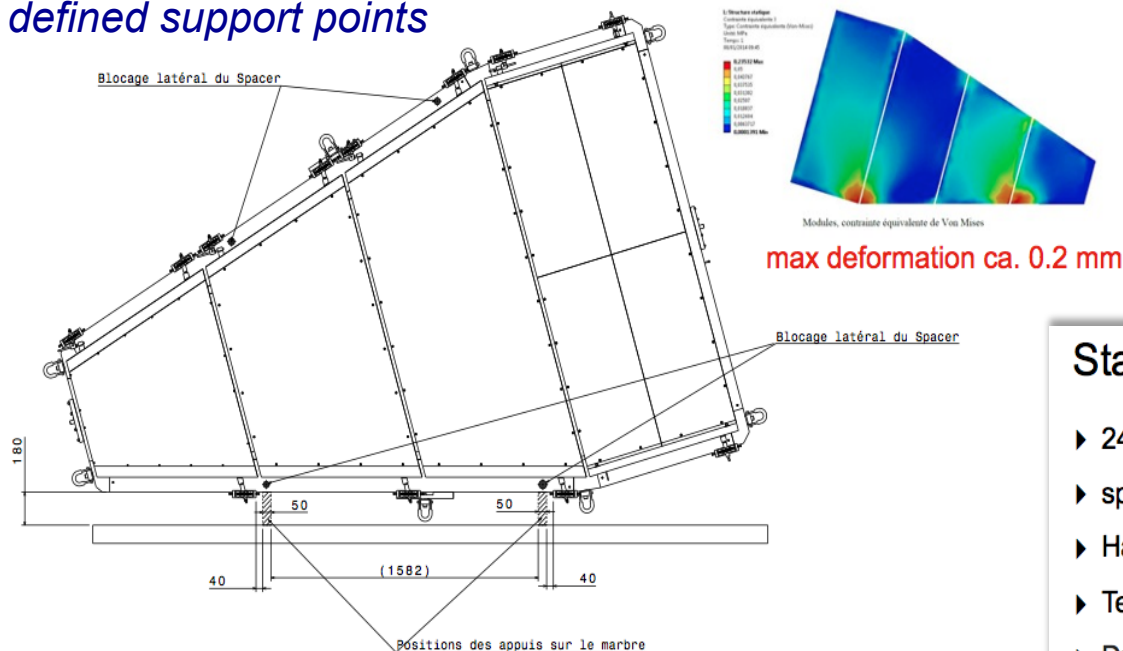
MECHANICAL MEASUREMENTS IN FREIBURG

Mechanical prototypes are currently being assembled on a spacer frame and measured with the Freiburg CMM machine

Main purpose of the measurements

- Individual module measurements in vertical position
- Assembly/Fixation on spacer and deformation studies
- Induce thermal gradients and study thermo-mechanical deformations

defined support points

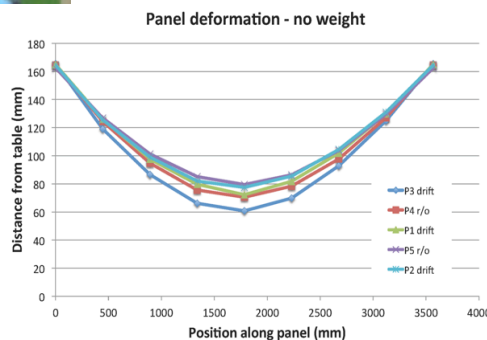


Status of preparations in Freiburg:

- ▶ 24 kinematical mounts (with ca. 10 parts each) ✓
- ▶ spacer frame , ready and glued ✓
- ▶ Handling tool: designed; ready ✓
- ▶ Templates for spacer and dummy modules glueing: ready ✓
- ▶ Dummy modules: designed, parts in workshop,

FULL WEDGE MECHANICAL PROTOTYPES BY CERN

Individual Panels sagitta
(horizontal position)

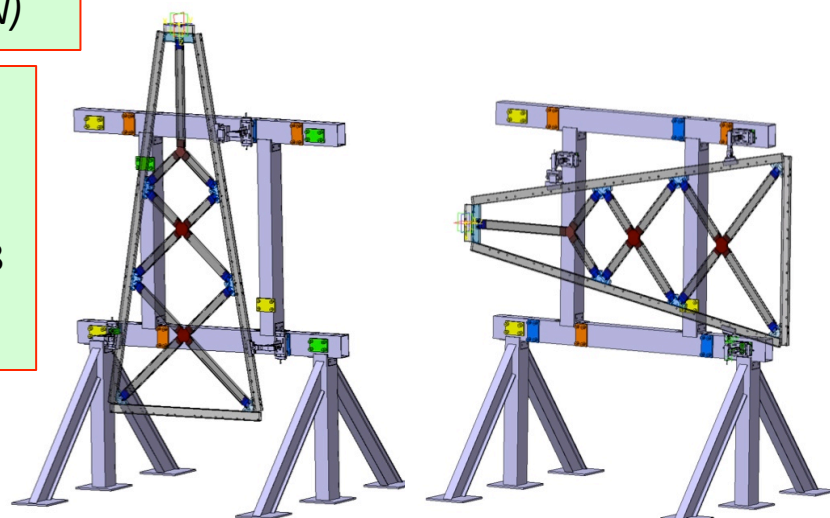


Support structure designed and under realization for vertical mounting

- Mechanical deformation at different angles (simulating different sector orientation)
- Deformation under thermal gradient

The spacer frame has been designed and simulated
(G. Spigo & M. Ciapetti)
and built (Naples, CERN)

On the other side of the spacer a dummy wedge with equal thickness and weight has been added
(2 OUKUME block board panels 22 mm thick and 28 mm spacers – 80 mm in total)



MECHANICAL PROTOTYPES – SOME EXAMPLES

M2 INFN trapezoidal shape 1628x916mm² – “Vacuum bag technique”

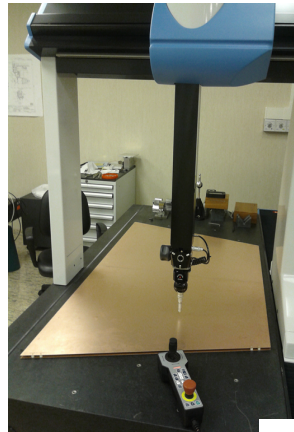
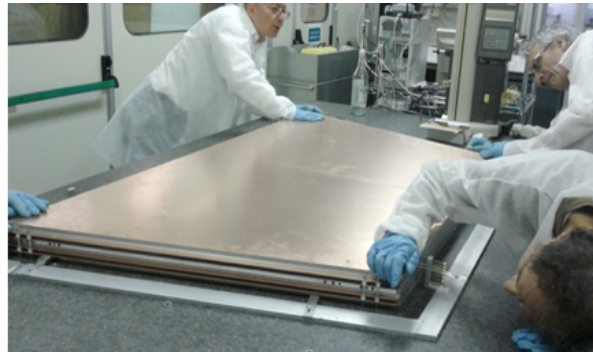
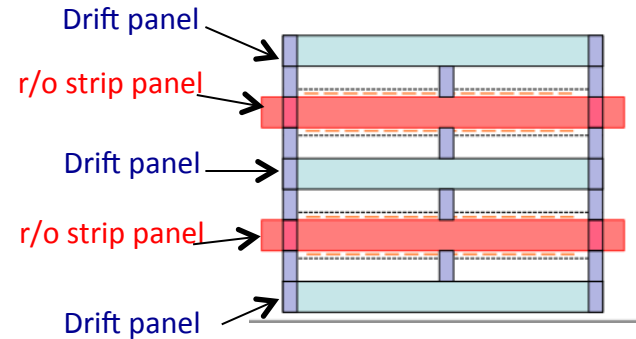
- All 5 panels built
- Quadruplet is completed

PANELS PLANARITY : Average $\sigma_{\text{fit}} \sim 30 \mu\text{m}$

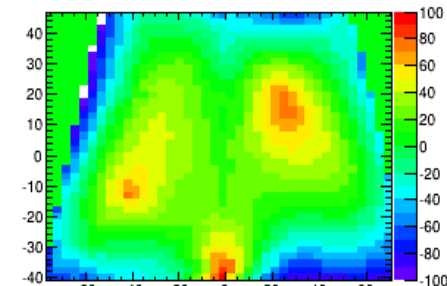
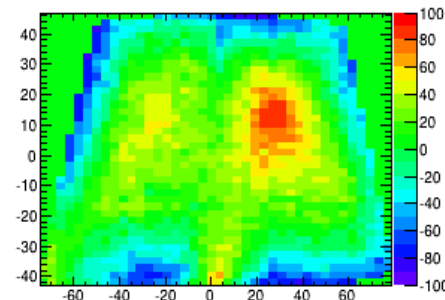
PANELS THICKNESS: average -15 μm ; RMS 17 μm

Measurements compared with two different techniques

Measurements on QUADRUPLETS will follow



Compare results
obtained with a
Coordinate Measuring
Machine (CMM) and
with a Laser Tracker:
Consistent !



MicroMegas Chamber Construction

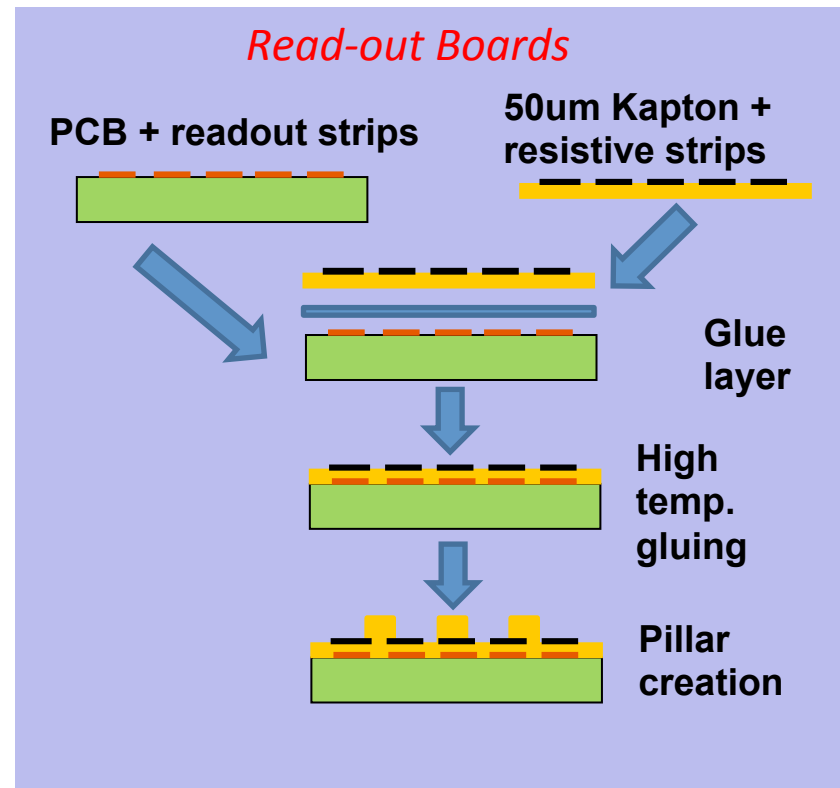
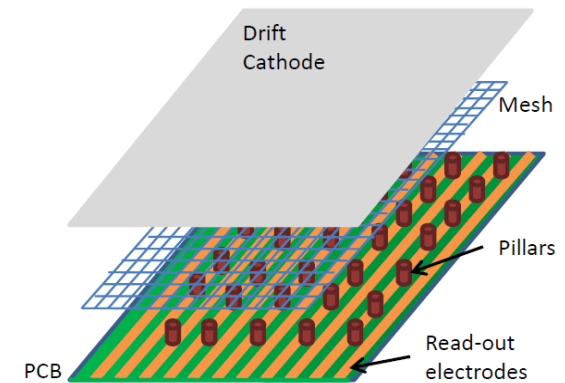
Read-out Boards

Currently finalizing requirements – Evaluating companies (ELTOS, ELVIA, Triangle Lab)

– Procurement and QA/QC by CERN

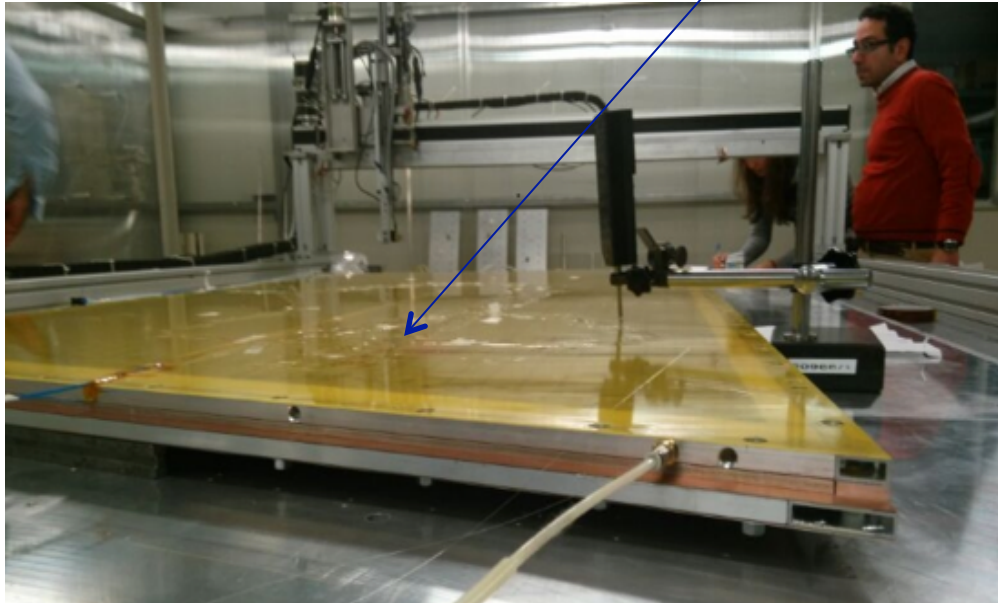
Resistive foils:

- 2 options: sputtering or screen printing
- Promising results from Japan (sputtering)



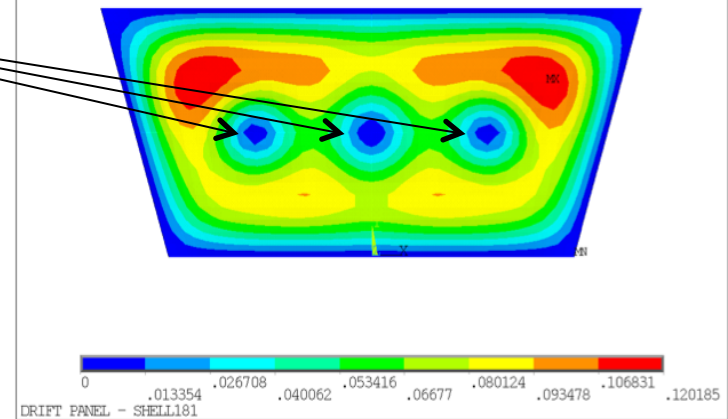
Gas overpressure induced deformations

- The effect of Gas over pressure has been tested using a Single Gap with Mesh.
- Deformation mitigation with INTERCONNECTION SCREWS (3 screws used)
- Mechanical deformations due to Gas over pressure (3 mbar) have been studied using, Laser and Optical Fibers (Fiber Bragg Grating)

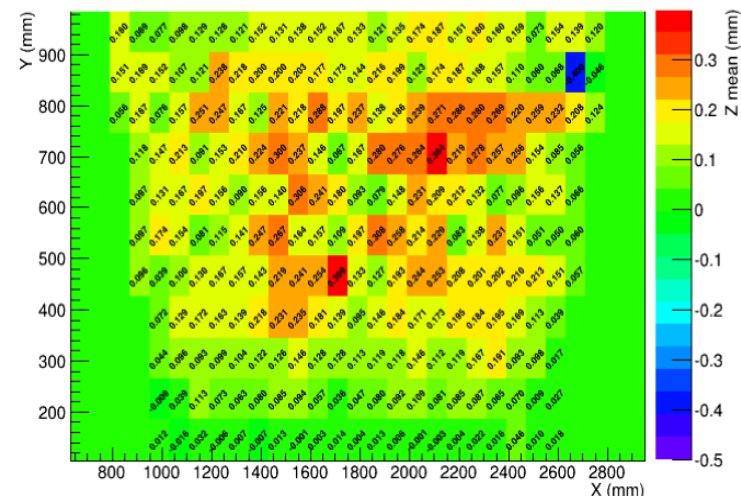


Observed deformations due to Gas over pressure
AverageDeformation = $140 \mu\text{m}$;
MaxDef < $300 \mu\text{m}$

Simulation (S.Lauciani)
 3 interconnections 3 mbar
 Max deviation $\sim 120 \mu\text{m}$



Deformation map (3mbar – 0 mbar)



Challenge:

- Find track segments within 1000ns, incl 500ns fiber propagation time, to confirm segments found in downstream “Big Wheels”.
- Micromegas: 2M 0.5mm strips
- sTGC: 300K chan: strips (3.2mm), wires, pads

Micromegas – sTGC commonalities

- Same FE ASIC, on-chamber and off-chamber readout
- Separate segment formation for trigger, but same final FPGA-based trigger processor (one ATCA crate per Endcap)
 - sTGC uses pads to select strips to read out for centroid finder
 - MM uses first strip hit in group of 64 to give track position

VMM ASICs

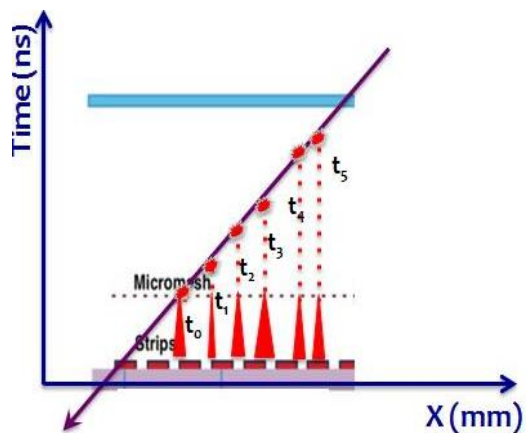
- Highly programmable ASIC provides both precision measurement and trigger primitives for both Detectors
- First version, fully functional, 64-channel analog front ends successfully fabricated in 2012
- Second version including ADC, simultaneous read/write was submitted in a custom MOSIS run last week
- About 450 samples expected in 10-12 weeks
- Nearly final version, **missing SEU mitigation of config. register and ATLAS specific readout handshake**

Companion ASICs for TTC distrib, clk gen, pgmable delays, etc.

- sTGC trigger data serializer for pads and strips
- MM address of 1st hit encoder for trigger
- Readout: VMM to E-link inputs to GBT

ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENTS – AN EXAMPLE: THE μ TPC METHOD

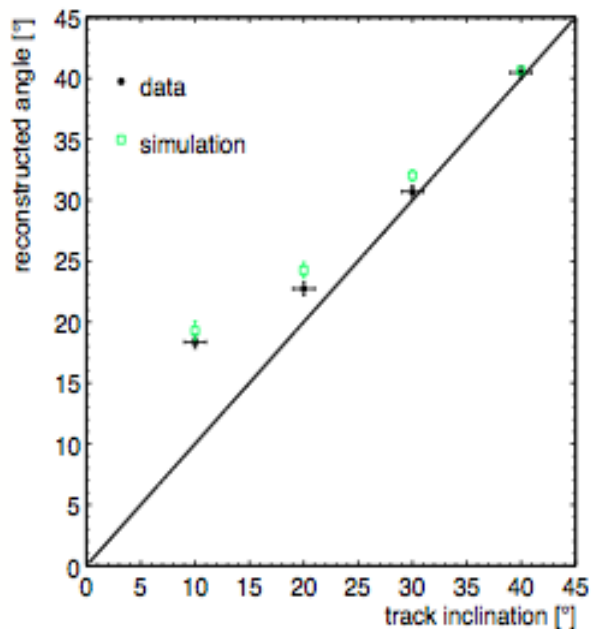
Exploit time information
for μ TPC reconstruction



The observed bias in the reconstructed track angle, stronger for smaller chamber plane inclination is due to:

- tracklet edge effects (first/last strip and finite strip pitch)
- induced charge from the neighbouring strips.

This has been studied with a circuit simulation and results are in good agreement with data (good understanding of the effect)



Ongoing studies:

- Characterization of hits affected by induced charge
- Re-weight affected hit and/or shift position

Preliminary studies are promising → can improve μ TPC resolution at small angles