

COMPASS PixelGEM Production

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Tracking

- Silicons ($\sigma_x \sim 10 \mu m$),
SciFis ($\sigma_t \sim 0.4 ns$)
- GEMs ($\sigma_x \sim 70 \mu m$),
MicroMegas ($\sigma_x \sim 90 \mu m$)
- Drift Chambers ($\sigma_x \leq 200 \mu m$)

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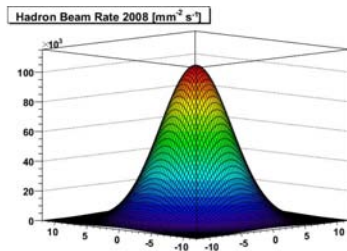
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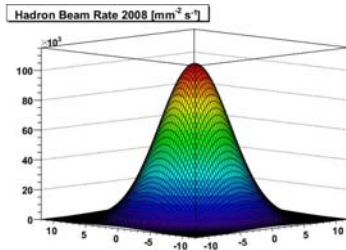
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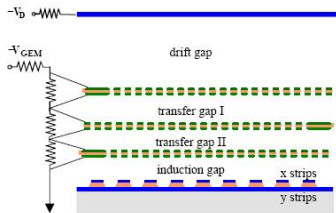
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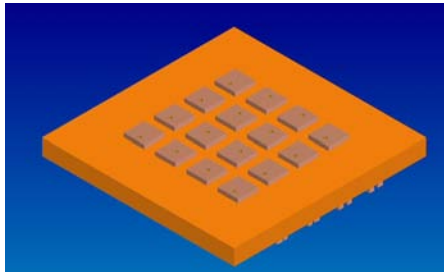
GEM detector with combined pixel/strip readout

The combined Pixel-Strip-Readout

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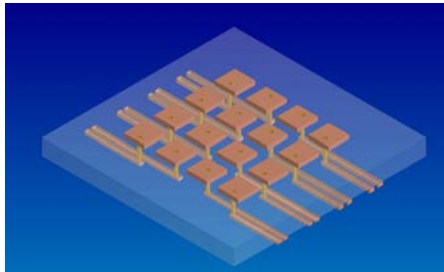
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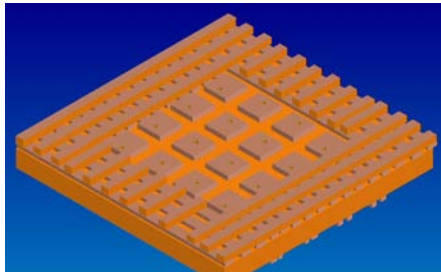
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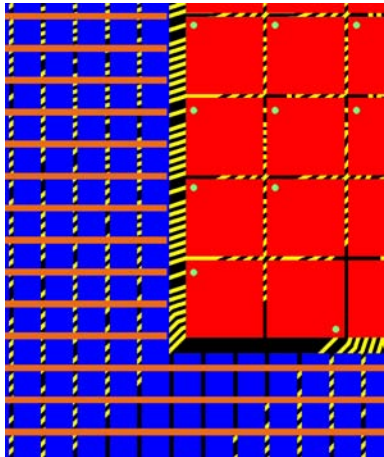
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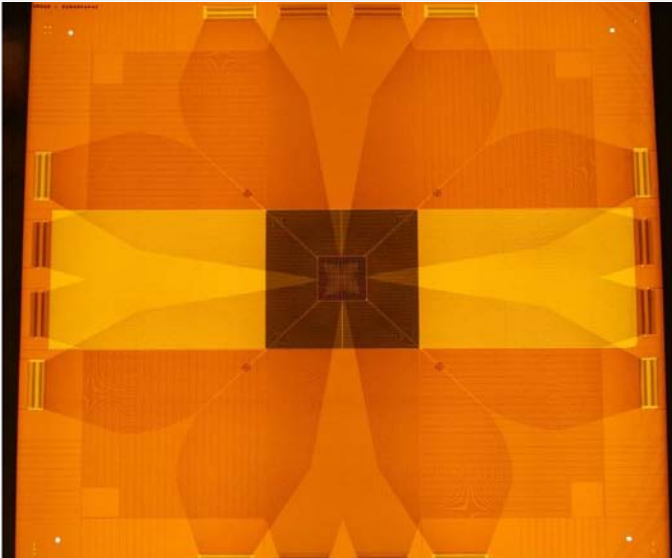


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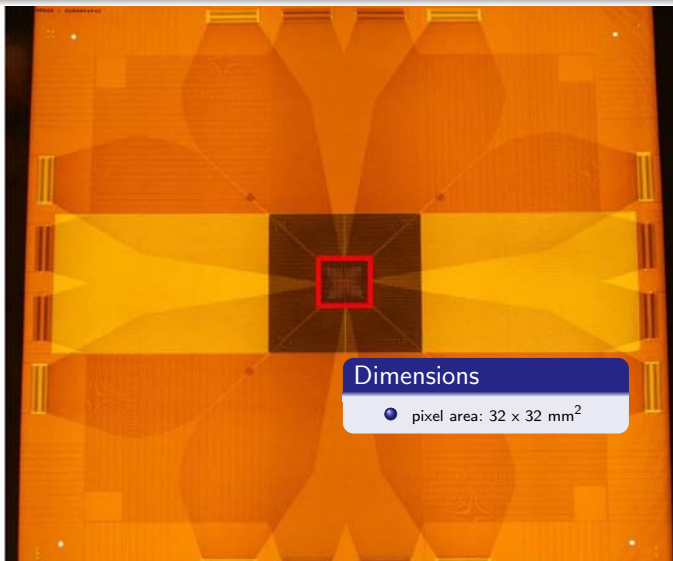
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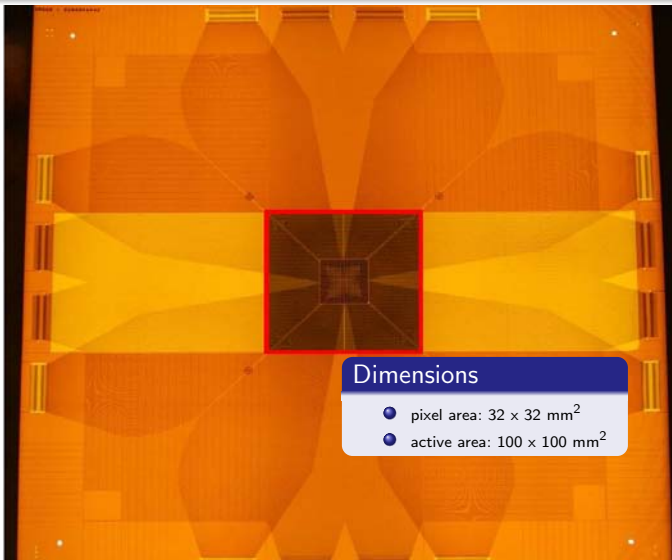
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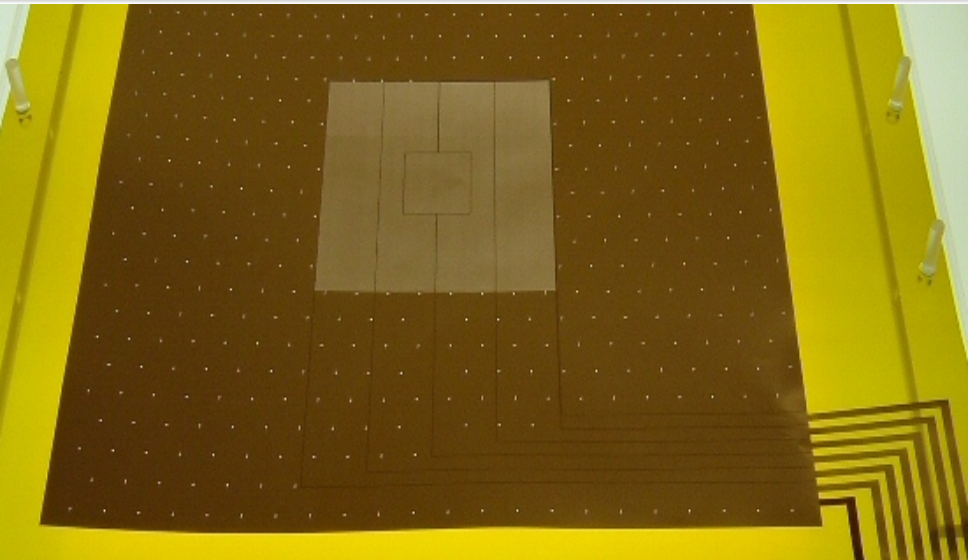
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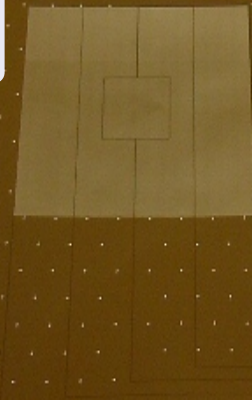
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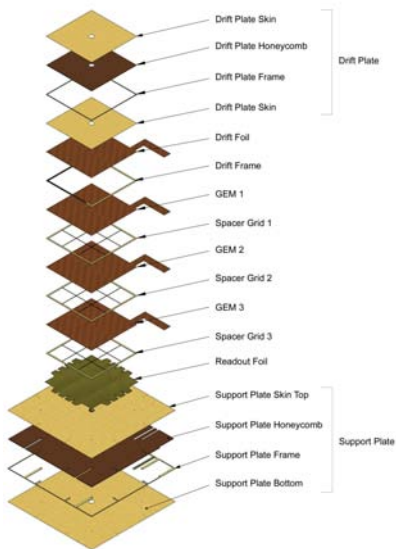
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- foils with only 1-2 μm thick copper¹

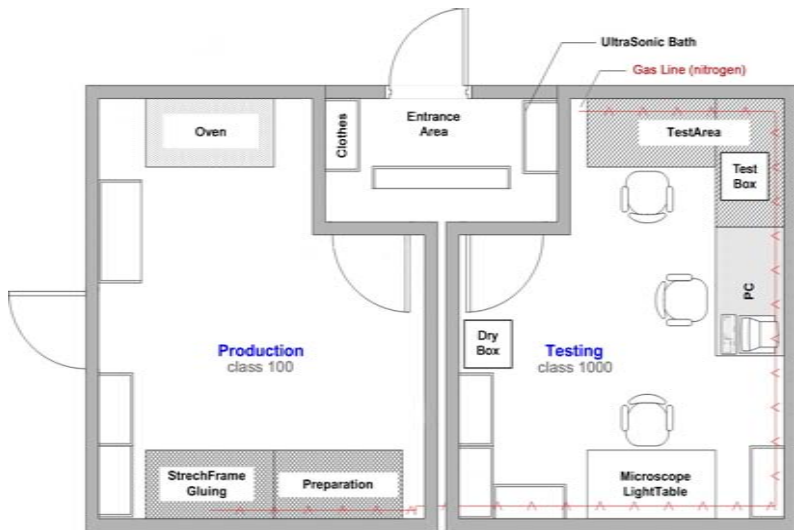
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Assembly



- All constructional drawings done at TU Munich (with advice of CERN engineers)
- The same for the layout of the foils (Gerber files)
- Foils and support structures manufactured at CERN
- Testing, assembly and commissioning done at TU Munich

Infrastructure

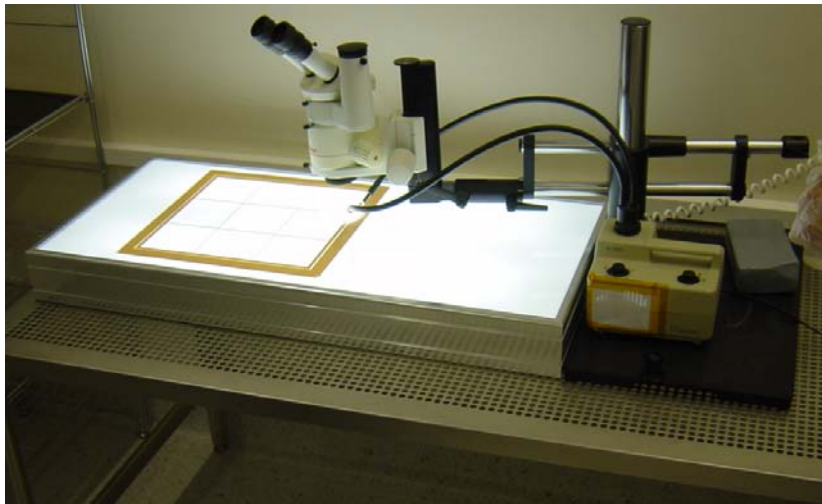


Preparation

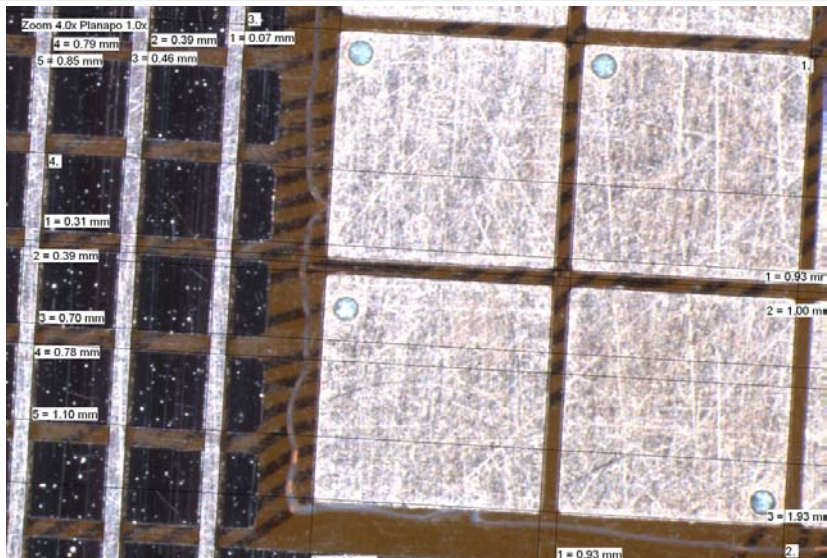
- Sanding of all support frames to remove grouts (danger of shortcuts in the detector)
- Cleaning of components with Isopropanol and demineralized water in ultrasonic bath
- Storage of foils in nitrogen atmosphere to avoid oxidation

After preparation touch components only with gloves
(fingerprint on foils can cause 1 mA leakage current!)

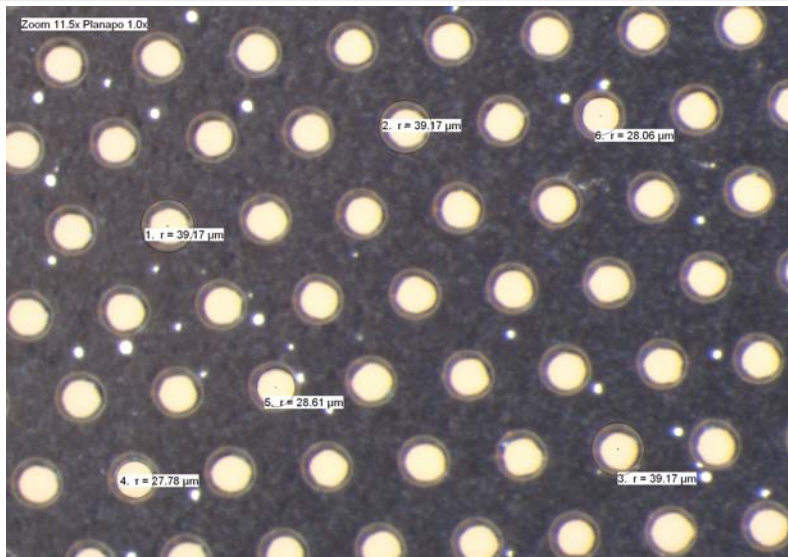
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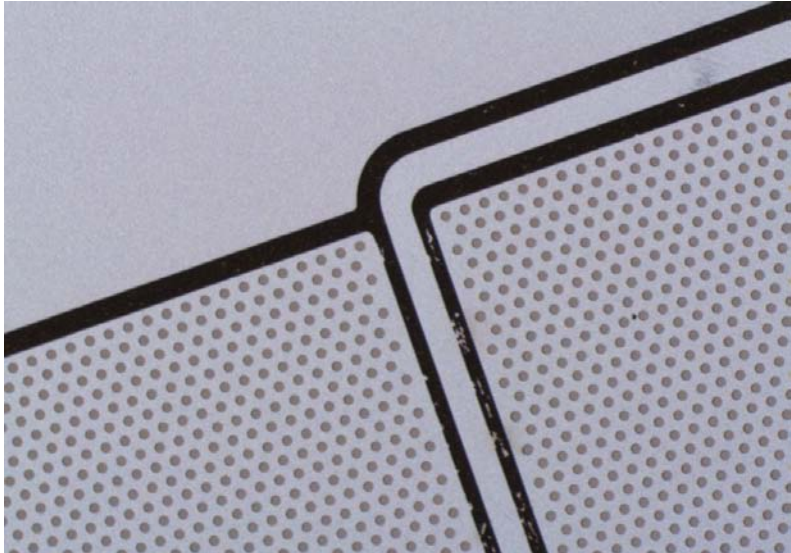
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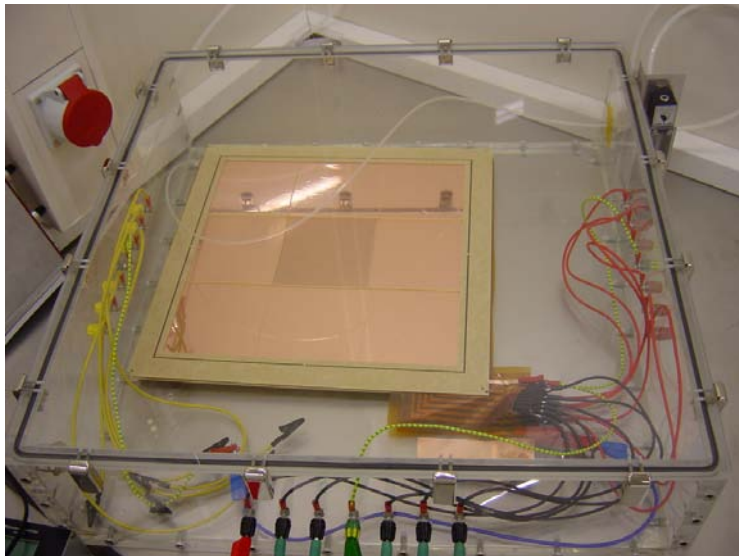


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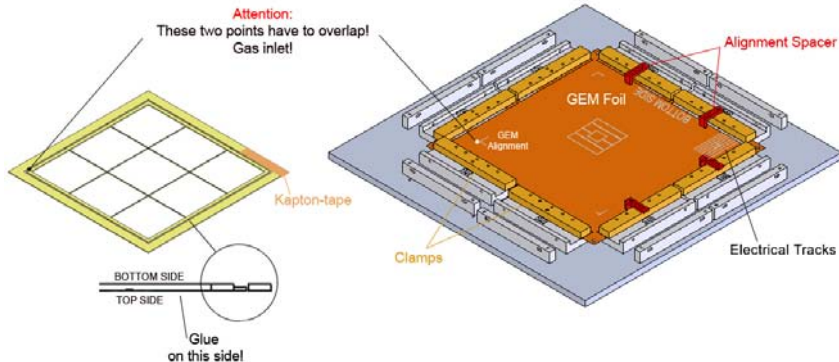


- HV tests for Driftplates, Spacergrids and Driftfoils done by ambient atmosphere
- HV tests for GEM foils under nitrogen atmosphere (no oxygen or water allowed)

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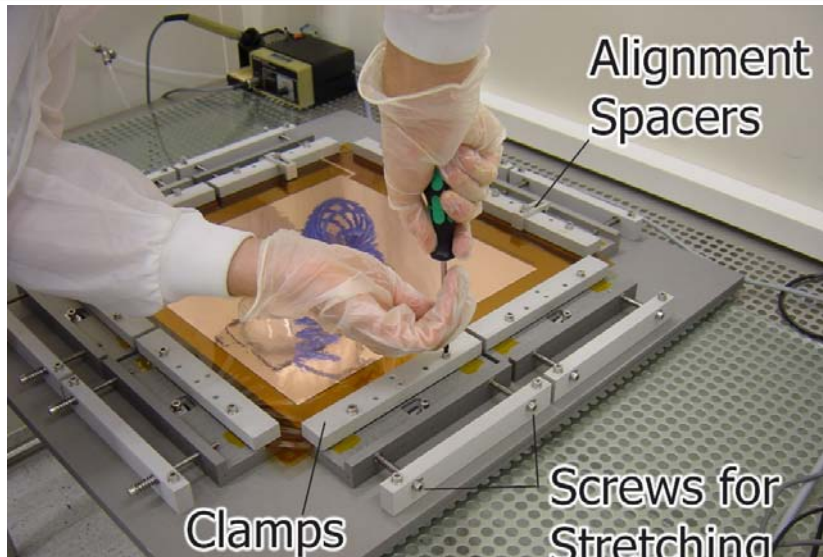


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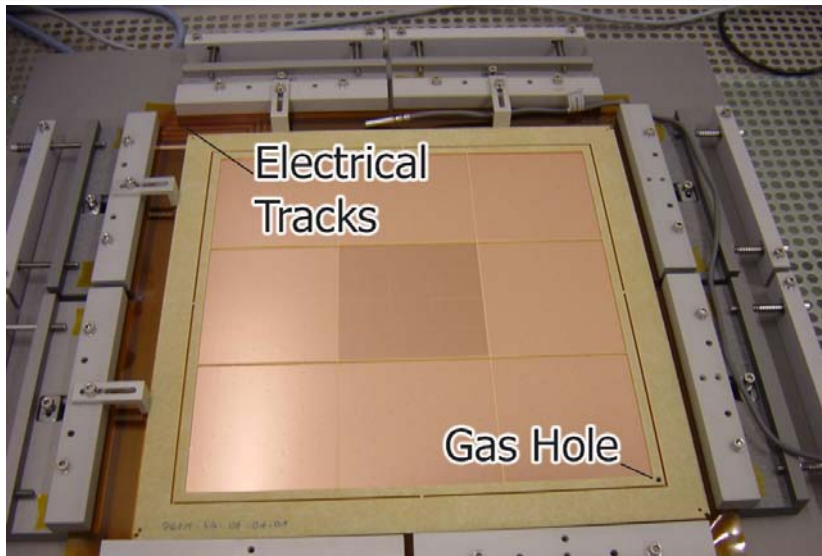


Stretching frame for fixation and flattening of GEM foils during gluing process

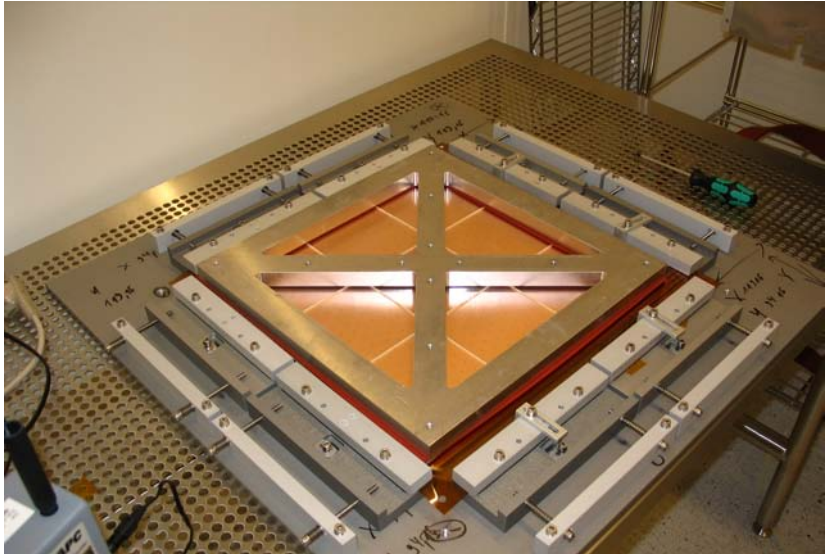
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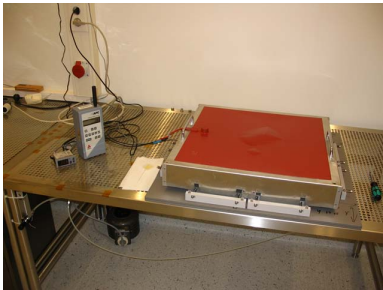
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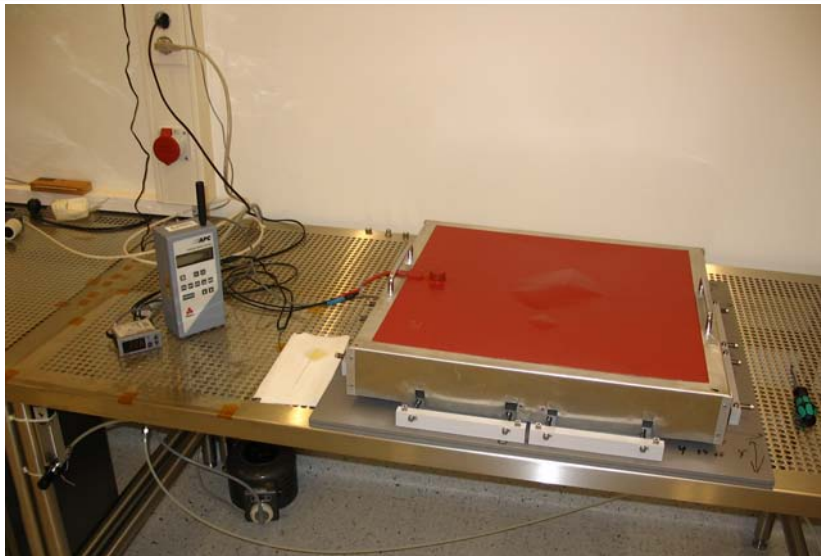


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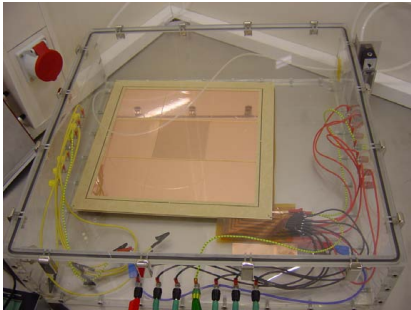


- monitoring of environmental conditions during each production step
- complete polymerization of glue important
→ constant, defined temperature for several hours

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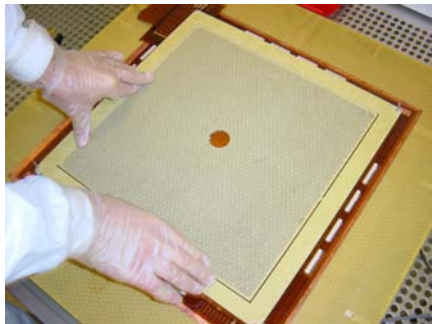


Quality Assurance II



- After each production step the components have to be tested for their stability and functionality

Assembly



Complete assembly in two steps


- Step1: Gluing the GEM stack, consisting of 3 GEM foils - Spacergrid pairs and Driftfoil glued on Driftplate
- Quality control
- Step 2: Gluing tested GEM stack on Readout

Documentation

[PixelGEM Project Page](#) [Show logs](#) [Show GEM foils](#) [Detector Summary](#) [Log in](#)

Test of GEM foil PGEM-G-07-03-01

Assembly-Step: framed GEM
Optical inspection



Temperature: 22 °C
Humidity: 23 % RH
Time under nitrogen: 100 h
Flow of nitrogen: 5 l/h

Sector	300 V	500 V	550 V (test)	max. V	550 V (2nd)
I	0.2 nA	0.4 nA	0.4 nA		
II	0.1 nA	0.4 nA	0.4 nA	---	---
III	0.1 nA	0.2 nA	0.2 nA	---	---
IV	0.1 nA	0.2 nA	0.2 nA	---	---
V	0.1 nA	0.2 nA	0.3 nA	---	---
VI	2.8 nA	0.3 nA	0.2 nA	---	---

Date: 01.02.2008
Tested by: Daniel, Sebastian

Comments:

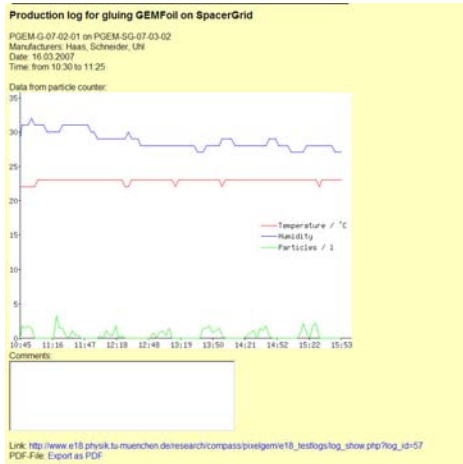
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First test on 30.1.: trap@450V in sector IV,
afterwards high currents between sector IV and
bottom side of foil. Result: up to that point
Sector VI: 0.5A@300V, 0.5A@500V, 0.5A@550V
Sector V: 0.5A@300V, 0.1nA@500V, 0.5A@550V
Sector IV: 0.5A@300V, trap@450V

Before second test it was tried to wrap foil disc
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Link: http://www.e18.physik.tu-muenchen.de/research/compass/pixelgem/e18_testlogs/log_show.php?log_id=258
PDF-File: Export as PDF

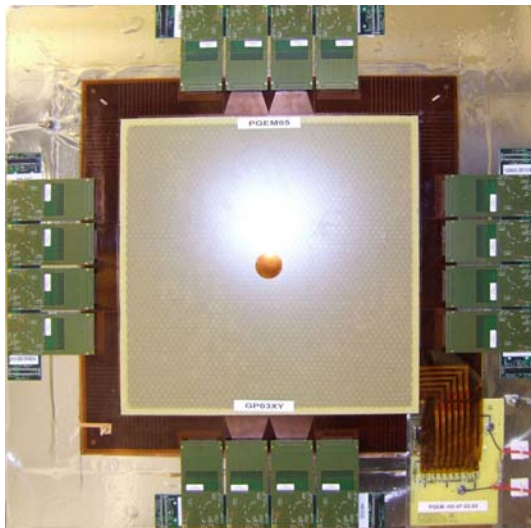
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- Each production step, from the preparation to the last commissioning must be documented
- Webbased MySQL database including
 - Photos
 - Quality tests
 - Production logs
 - Environmental datafor each production step
- For each detector complete summary available (PDF or online)

Complete Detector

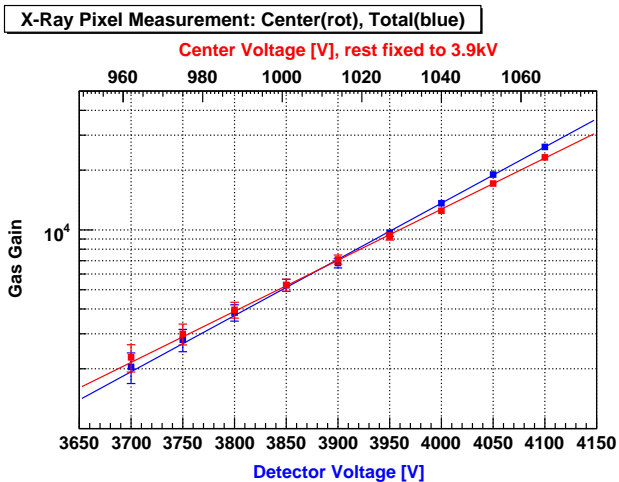


For detailed procedure steps and further commissioning see
production guide¹ at
www.e18.physik.tu-muenchen.de

¹Construction and Test of PixelGEM Tracking Detectors

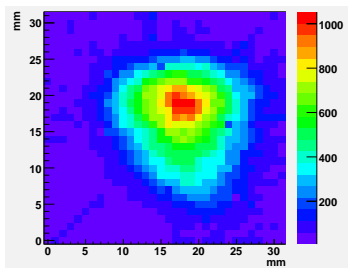
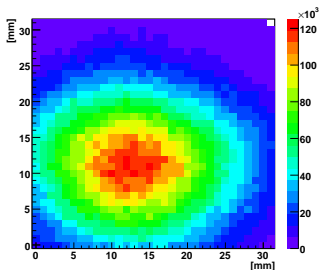
Detector Performance

Gain



Beam Intensities

Estimations of particle flux in the pixel region



Myon beam

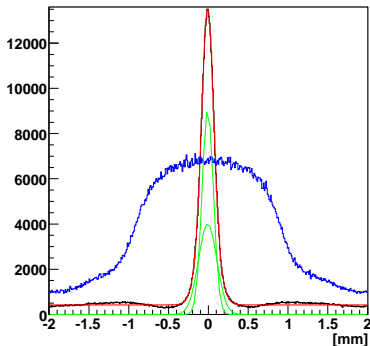
- $4.8 \cdot 10^7 / \text{s}$
- $\leq 1.2 \cdot 10^5 / \text{s} / \text{mm}^2$

Pion beam

- $5 \cdot 10^6 / \text{s}$
- $\leq 1.6 \cdot 10^4 / \text{s} / \text{mm}^2$

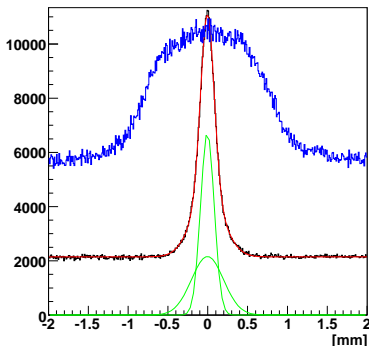
Spatial Resolution

Low Intensity: $\leq 2 \cdot 10^3 / \text{s} / \text{mm}^2$



$$\bar{\sigma} = 90 \mu\text{m}$$

High Intensity: $\leq 1 \cdot 10^5 / \text{s} / \text{mm}^2$

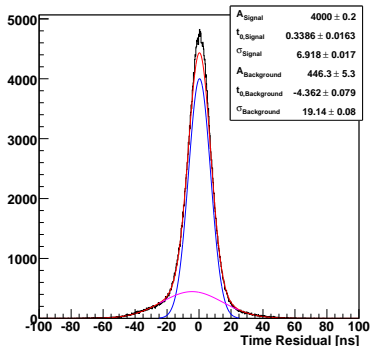


$$\bar{\sigma} = 135 \mu\text{m}$$

with/**without** Clustering, **green:** Gauss fit components

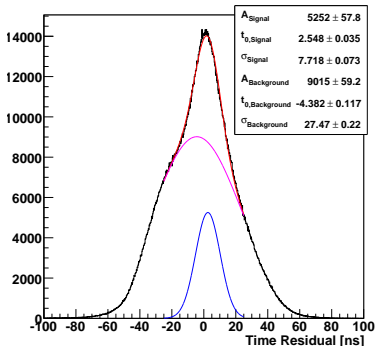
Time Resolution

Low Intensity: $\leq 2 \cdot 10^3 / \text{s/mm}^2$



$$\sigma_t \leq 7\text{ns}$$

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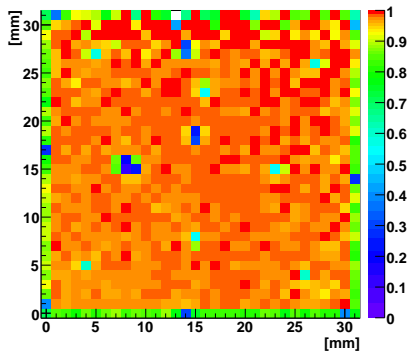
$$\sigma_t \leq 8\text{ns}$$

blau: Signal, magenta: Underground

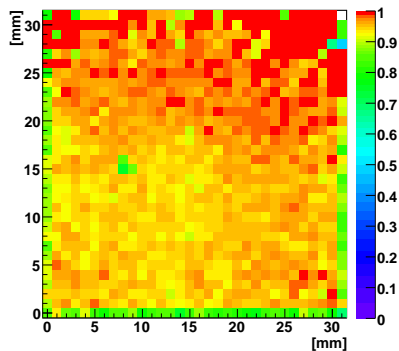
Detector Efficiency

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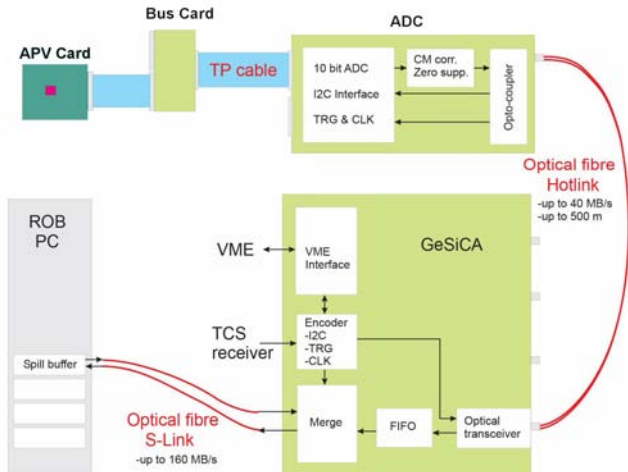


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Mean Efficiency $\approx 95.5\%$

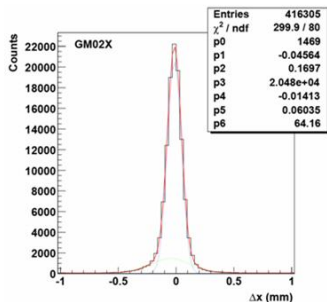
Readout Chain



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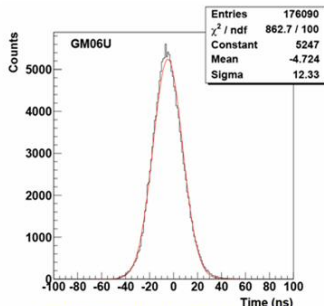
- Test beam/low intensity:
 $\langle \sigma_x \rangle \approx 50 \mu\text{m}$
- Standard physics run: $4 \cdot 10^7 \mu^+/\text{s}$:
 $\langle \sigma_x \rangle \approx 70 \mu\text{m}$



Time resolution

- 3 analog samples per trigger
- Rising edge of signal
- Reconstruct t_0 from known pulse shape

$$\langle \sigma_t \rangle \approx 12 \text{ ns}$$



[B. Ketzer et al., NIM A535, 314 (2004)]

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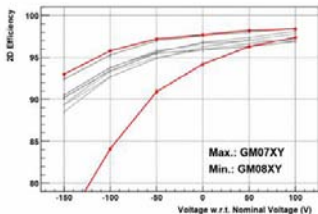
Low intensity beam: $5 \cdot 10^6 \mu^+/\text{s}$

- All detectors reach plateau ($\varepsilon > 98\%$)
- Gain ~ 8000
- SNR ~ 18
- Losses due to spacer grid: 1.2-1.5%

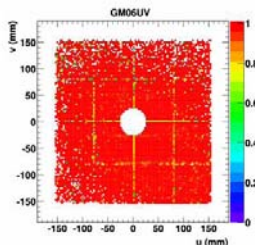
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- Background correction

$$\varepsilon_{\text{app}} = \varepsilon + (1 - \varepsilon) \cdot b$$
- Single plane: $\langle \varepsilon_{1D} \rangle = 97.2\%$
- 2D (space point): $\langle \varepsilon_{2D} \rangle = 95.6\%$



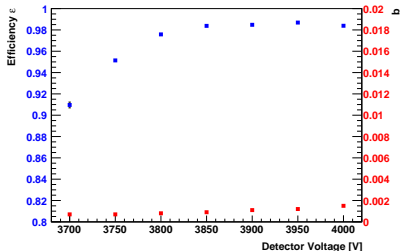
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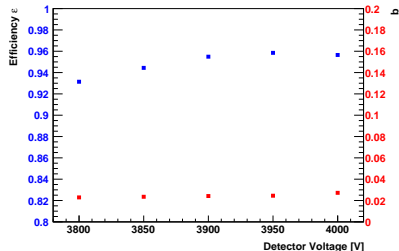
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Background per pixel: ≤ 0.1 %

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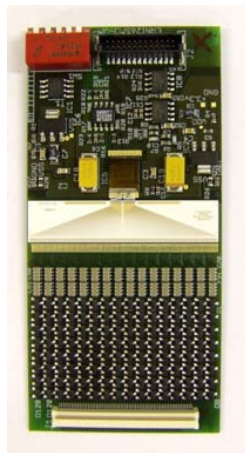
Efficiency Plateau: 95.5 %

Background per pixel: ≈ 2 %

Background: probability to find uncorrelated clusters within a certain roadwidth around a track

FrontEnd-Electronics

- APV25 S1 ASIC¹
- 128 channels per APV
- 160 samples pipeline
- 40 MHz sampling frequency
- average noise:
~ 1300 - 1500 electrons
- used for Silicon, GEM and RICH
at COMPASS



¹M.J. French, et al. Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A 466 (2001) 359

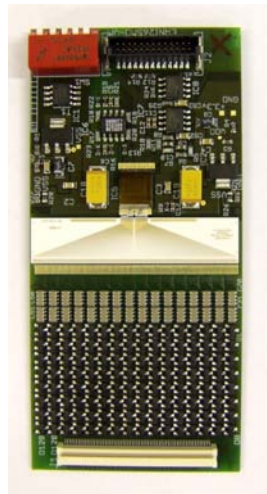
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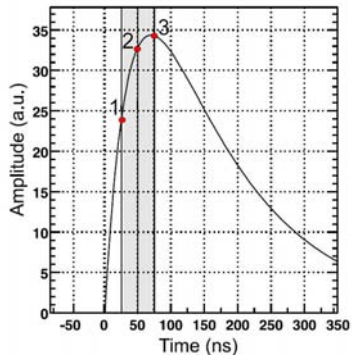
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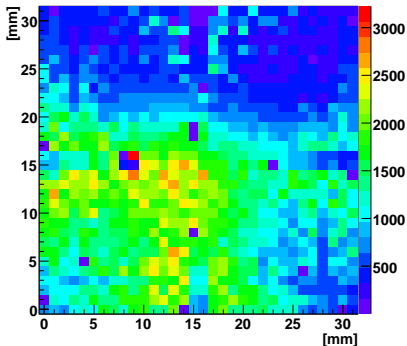
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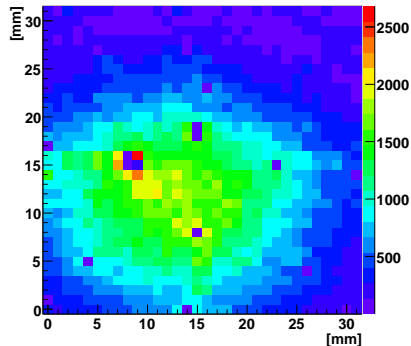


crosstalk suppression

beamspot with crosstalk



crosstalk suppressed



- tag channels with high-amplitude neighbours
- after clustering: remove clusters containing mostly tagged pixels

Material Budget

	Centre [$X_0/1000$]	Periphery [$X_0/1000$]
Support	0.0	2.9
Driftfoil	0.5	0.5
3 GEM-Foils	2.1	2.1
Readout Foil	1.0	1.3
Shielding	0.2	0.2
Gas	0.1	0.1
Sum	3.9	7.1

Centre: $r < 15$ mm, Periphery: $r > 15$ mm

Cu layer $5 \mu\text{m}$

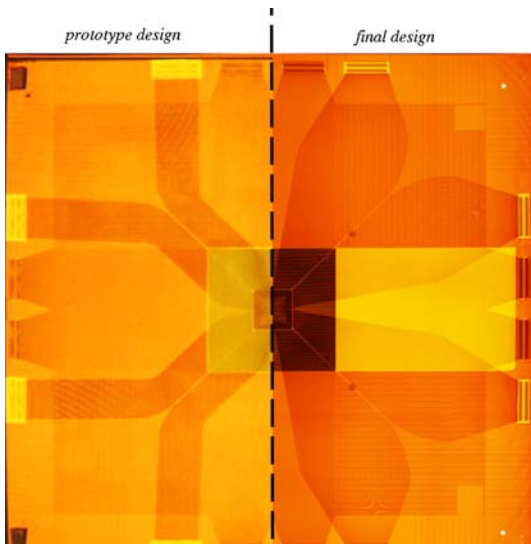
Material Budget

	Centre [$X_0/1000$]	Periphery [$X_0/1000$]
Support	0.0	2.9
Driftfoil	0.5 / 0.3	0.5 / 0.3
3 GEM-Foils	2.1 / 0.8	2.1 / 0.8
Readout Foil	1.0	1.3
Shielding	0.2	0.2
Gas	0.1	0.1
Sum	3.9 / 2.4	7.1 / 5.6

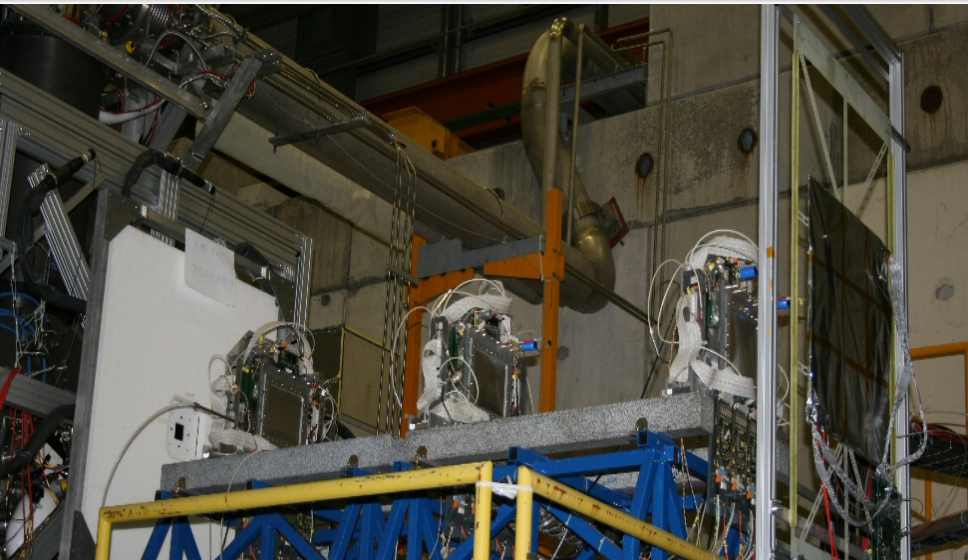
Centre: $r < 15$ mm, Periphery: $r > 15$ mm

Cu layer $5 \mu\text{m}$ / $1 \mu\text{m}$

Modifications Prototype - Prototype II



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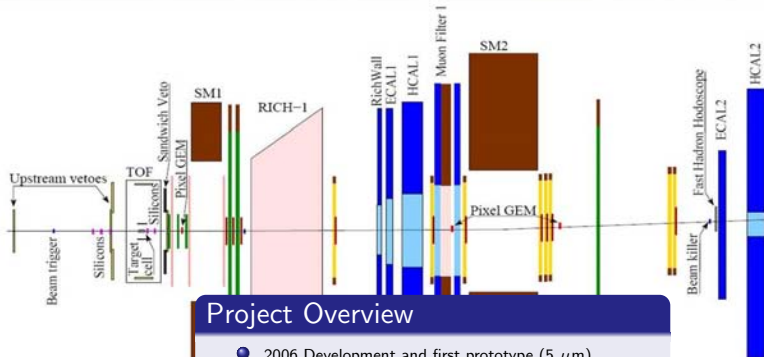


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