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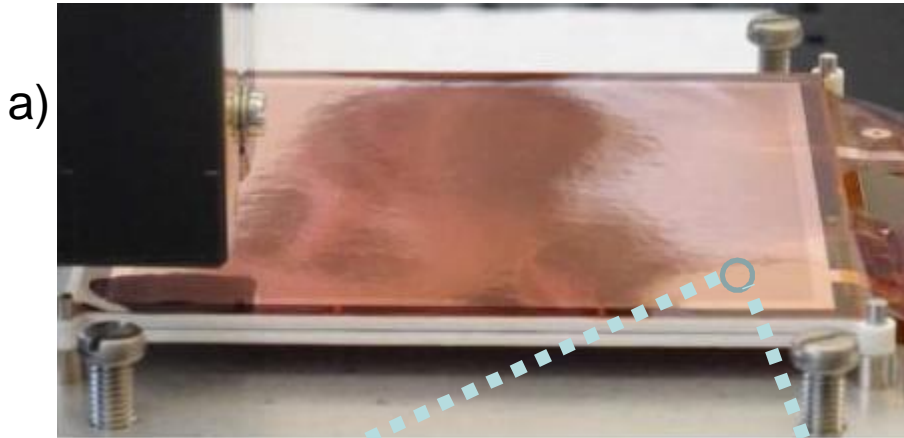
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Mechanical Properties
of a GRID GEM
system

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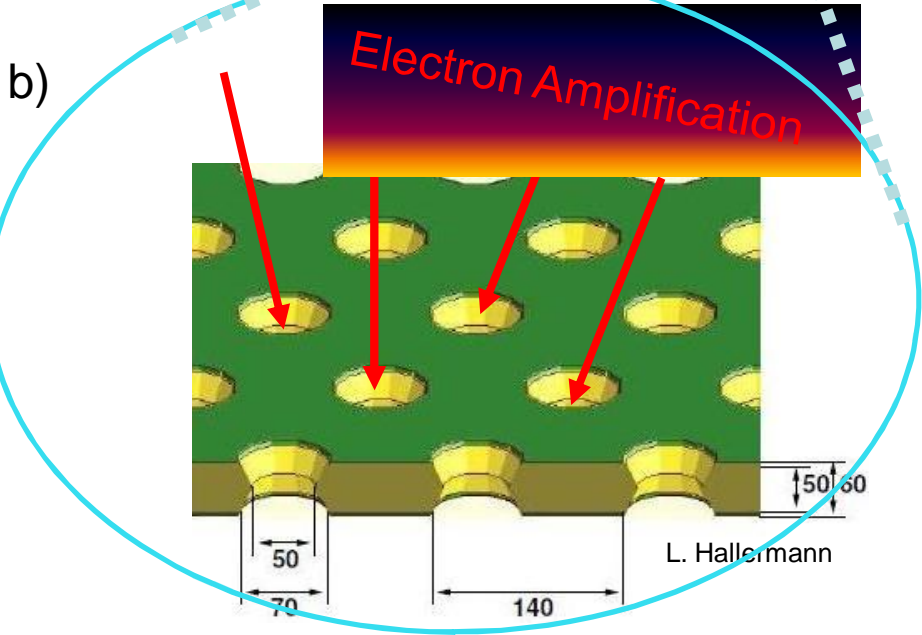
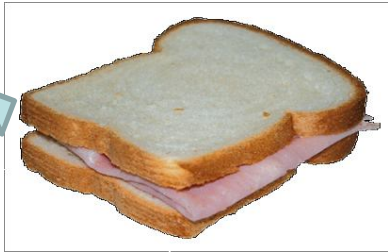
GEM: What is it?

GEM : Gas Electron Multiplier

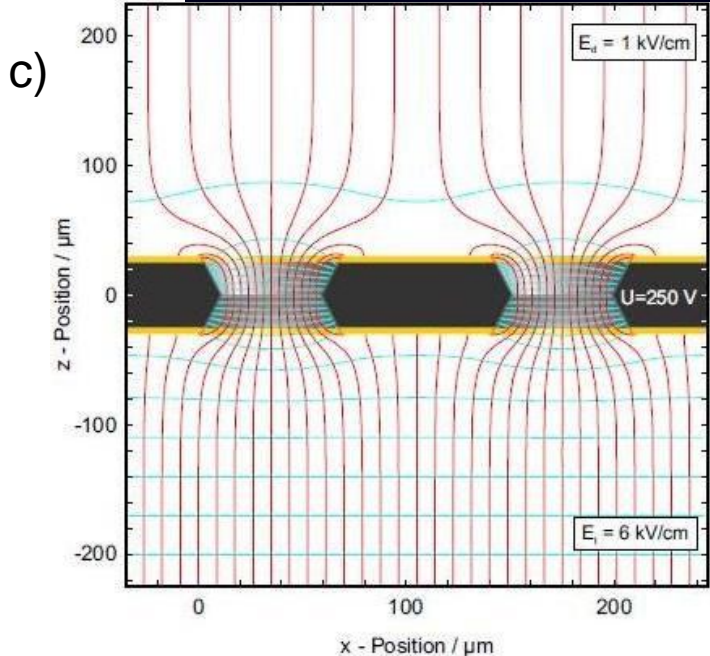


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Same structure



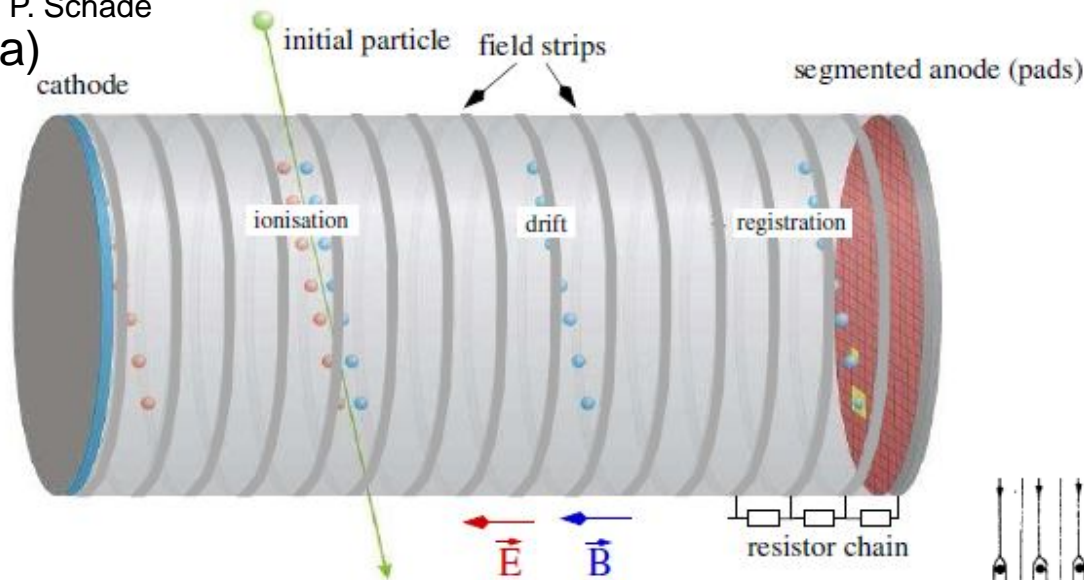
Simulated field lines of a GEM



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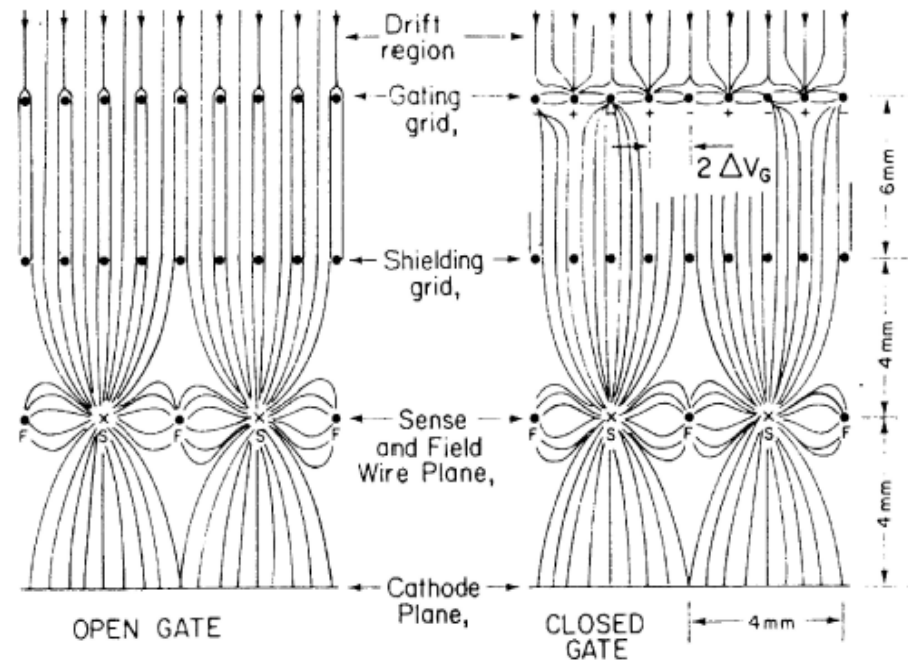
Why a GEM ?

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a)

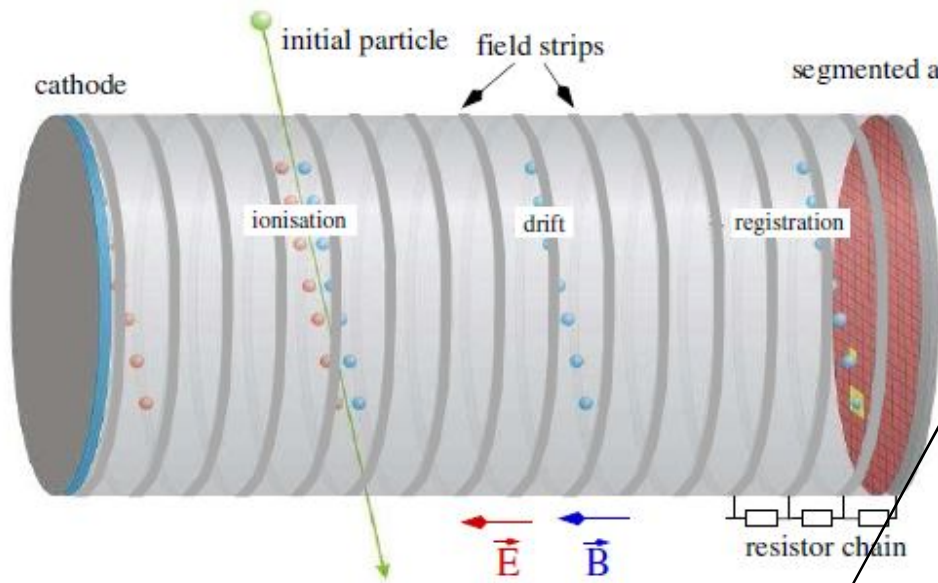


- Capacitor in a gas container:
- Gas ionization
- e^- drift towards anode
- Registration due to charge amplification
- Sampling on segmented anode
- Determination of z-coordinate due to time measurement

Conventionally charge amplification via MWPC



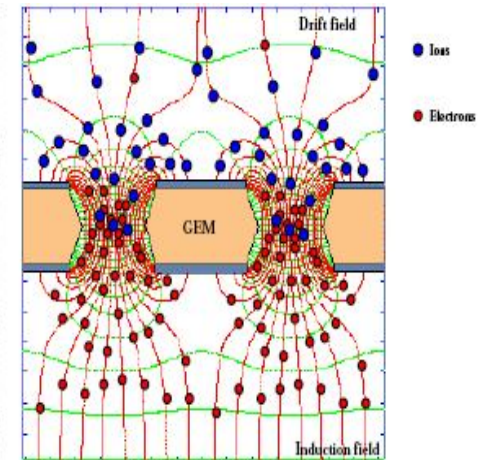
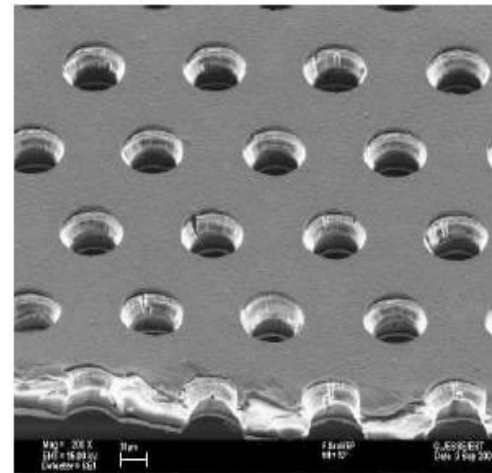
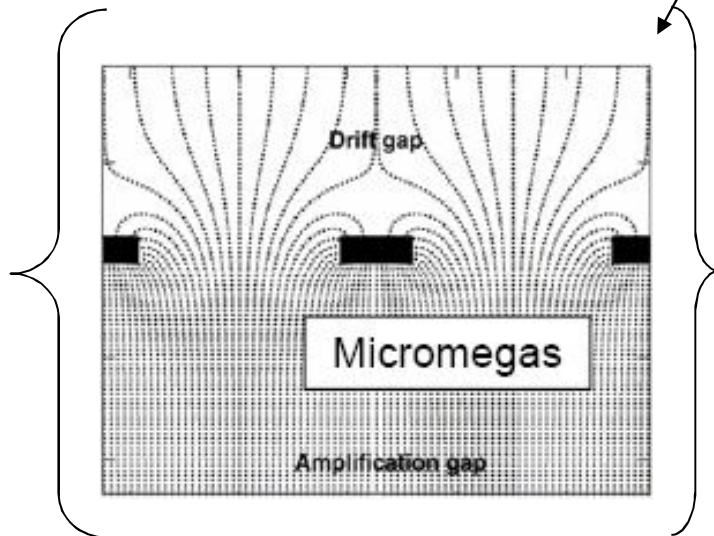
Why a GEM ?



MicroPattern Gas Detector
MPGD

not limited by $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ effects

Gas Electron Multiplier GEM

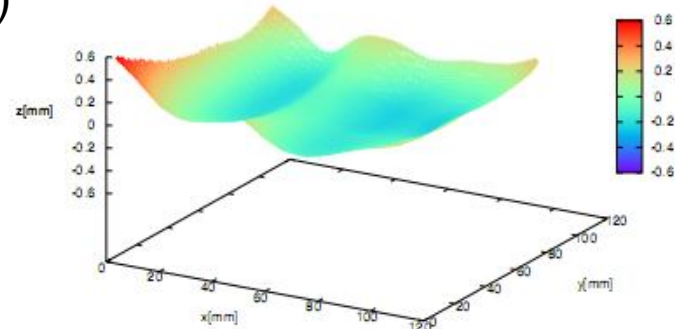


Traditional Support: GRP Frame

a)



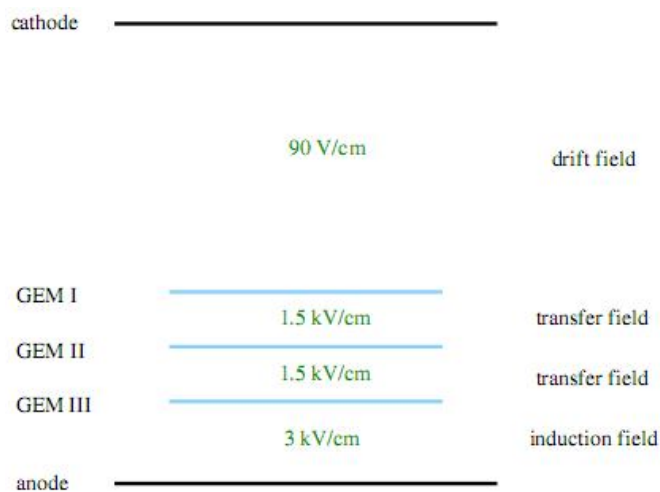
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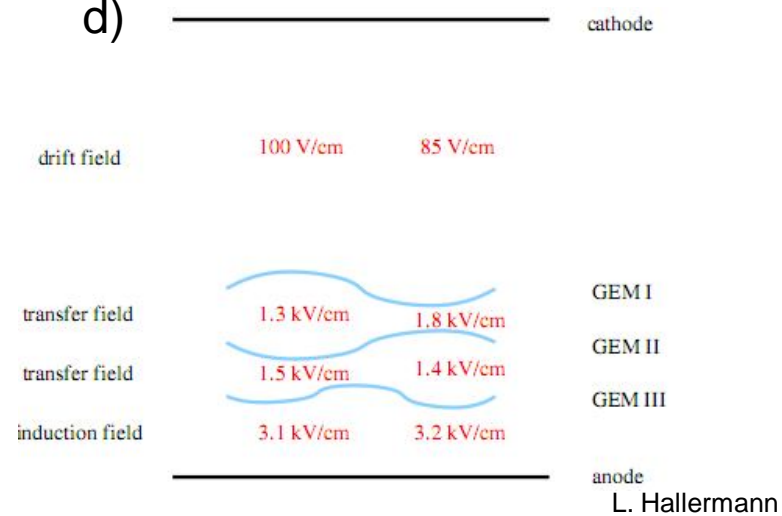
Sag in the middle

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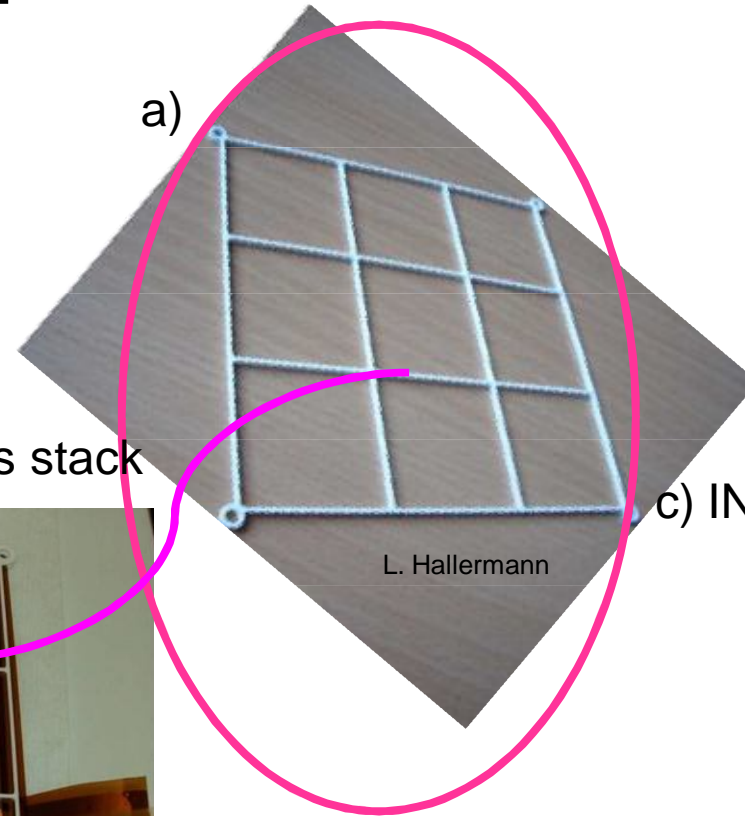
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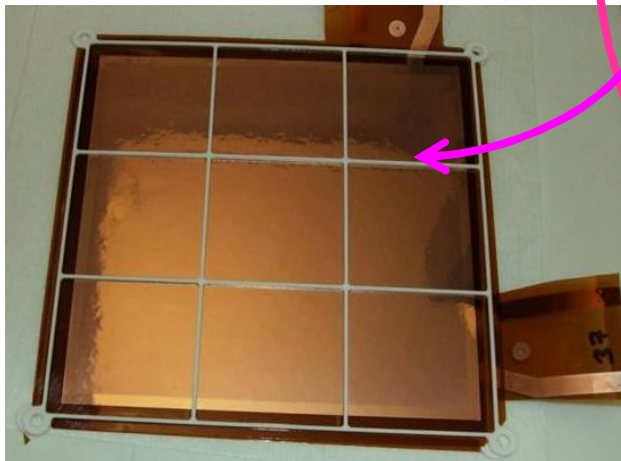
d)



New Support: Ceramics Structure



b) BEHIND a two GEMs stack

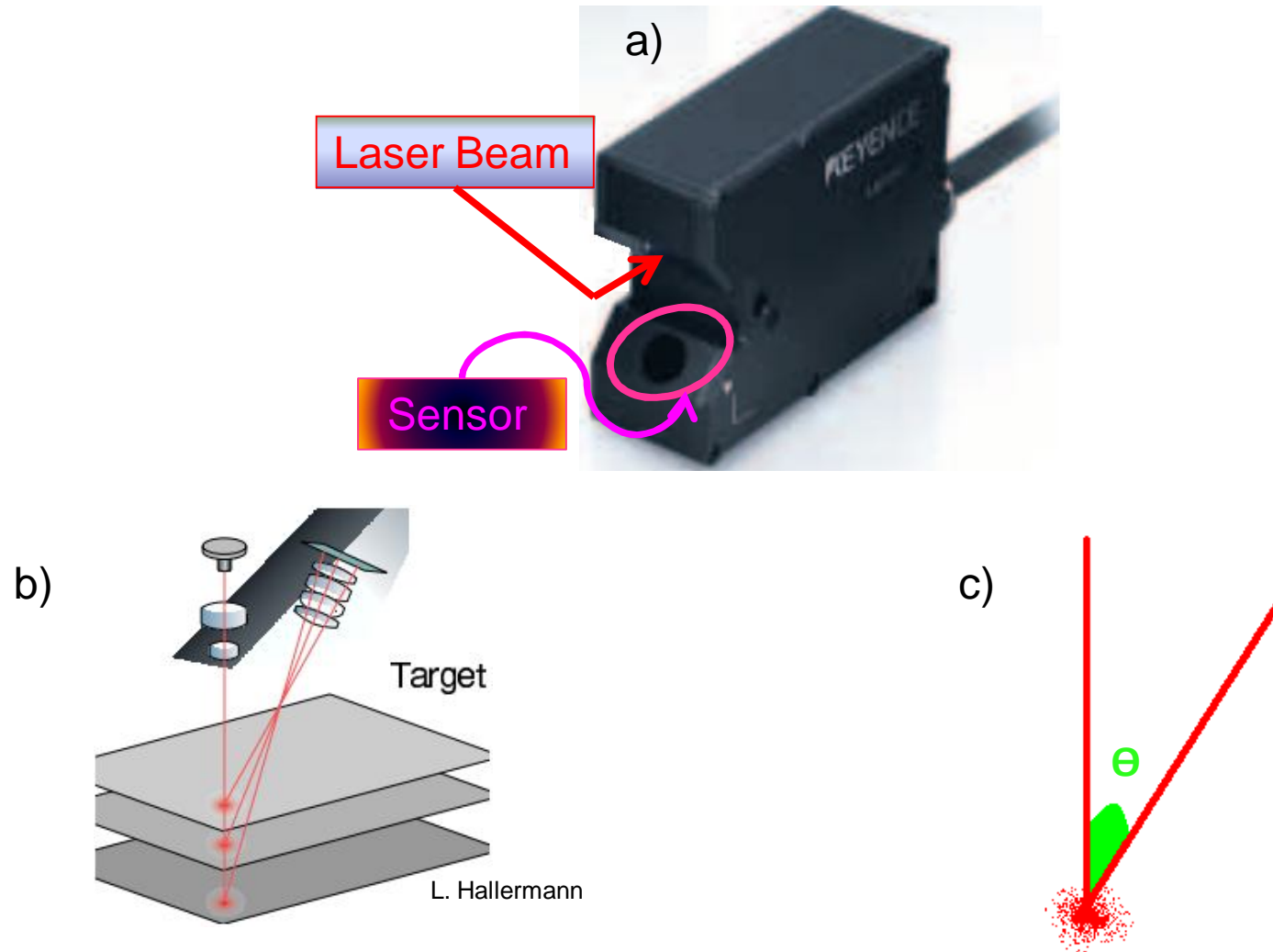


c) IN FRONT of a two GEMs stack

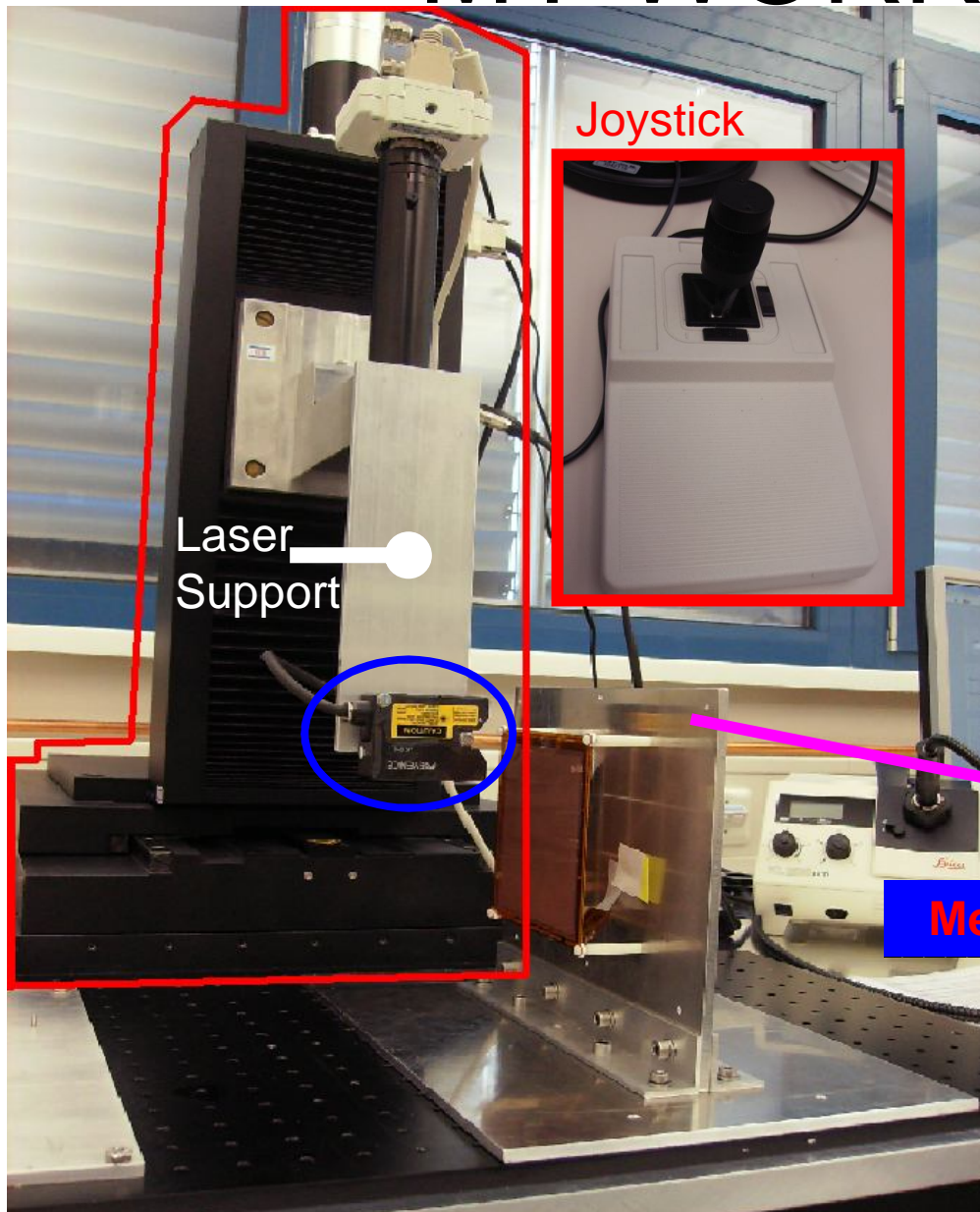


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Laser: Triangulation Principle



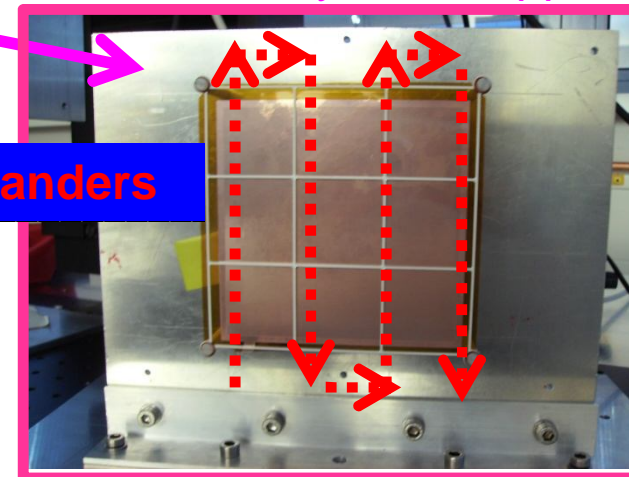
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Joystick

Laser Support

- Moving Table
 - 3 independent axes
 - Sub-micrometrical Resolution
 - Laser
 - Resolution 1micron
 - Reference distance 10mm
 - Measurement range ± 1 mm
- GRID GEM System Support Structure



Meanders

LABview: Meander.vi

The screenshot shows the Meander.vi LabVIEW interface with several sections and annotations:

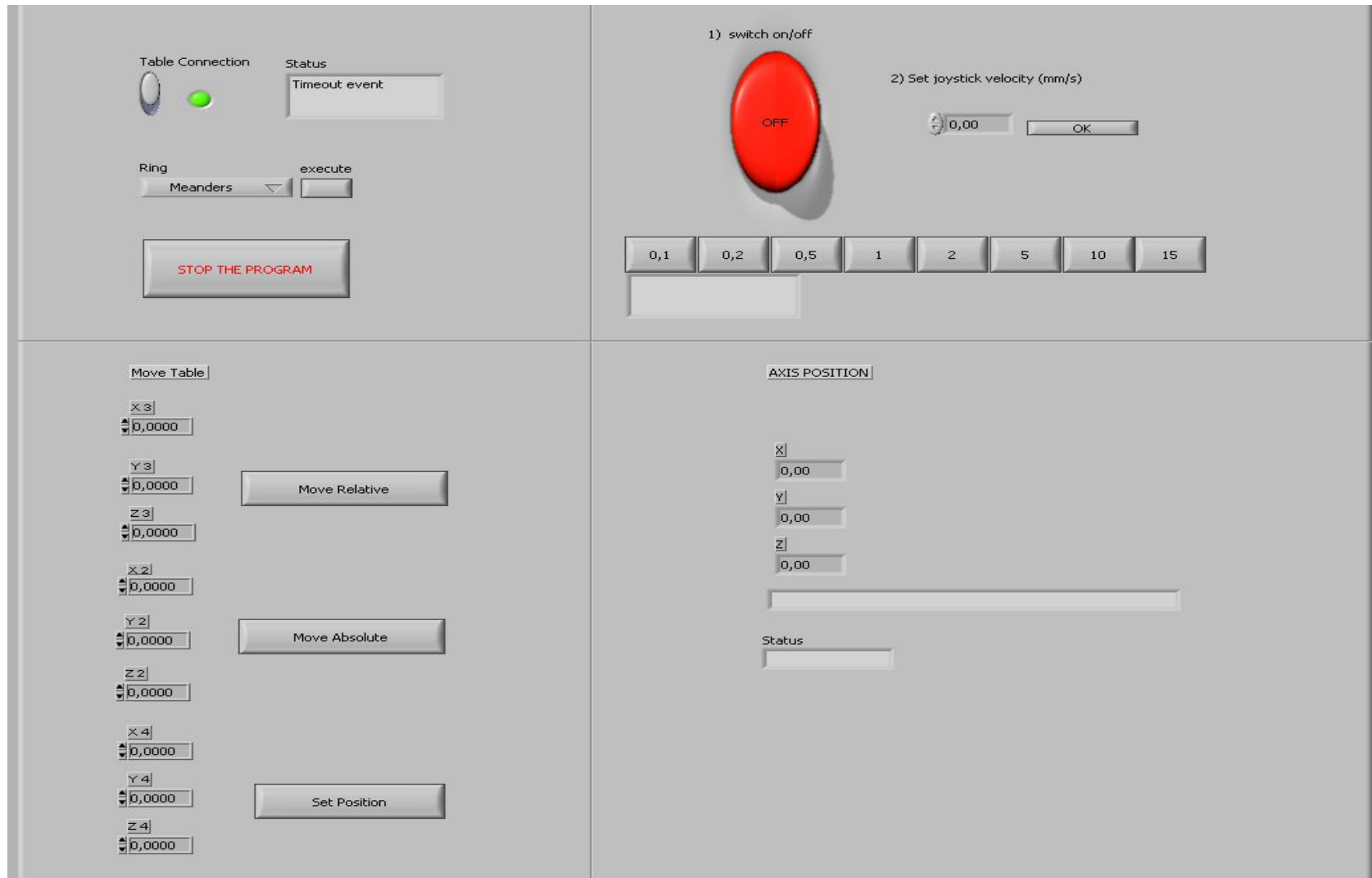
- PLANE SETTINGS:** Contains dropdown menus for Axis 1 (set to Y) and Axis 2 (set to Z). A yellow circle highlights these, with an arrow pointing to the "Choose Axes" callout.
- 1st AXIS SETTINGS:** Contains a numeric spinner for "N steps 1st axis" (set to 1) and another for "1st axis steps length (mm)" (set to -125). A pink box highlights these, with an arrow pointing to the "Set the number of data rows and the distance in between them" callout.
- 2nd AXIS SETTINGS:** Contains a numeric spinner for "N steps 2nd axis" (set to 106) and another for "2nd axis steps length (mm)" (set to 1). A pink box highlights these, with an arrow pointing to the same callout.
- VELOCITY SETTING (mm/s):** Contains a dropdown menu set to "Same speed every axes" and a numeric spinner for velocity (set to 15,000). A blue circle highlights the spinner, with an arrow pointing to the "Set Speed" callout.
- START:** A large button to initiate the meander.
- Status Meander:** A smaller button.
- Return to initial position:** A button labeled "Return".
- STOP THE PROGRAM:** A button with red text.
- DELAY SETTING:** A numeric spinner for "Delay between steps (ms)" (set to 0).
- NOTES:** Located in the bottom right, explaining axis directions: Y axis -> move FORWARD +, move BACK -; Z axis -> move UP -, move DOWN +.

Choose Axes

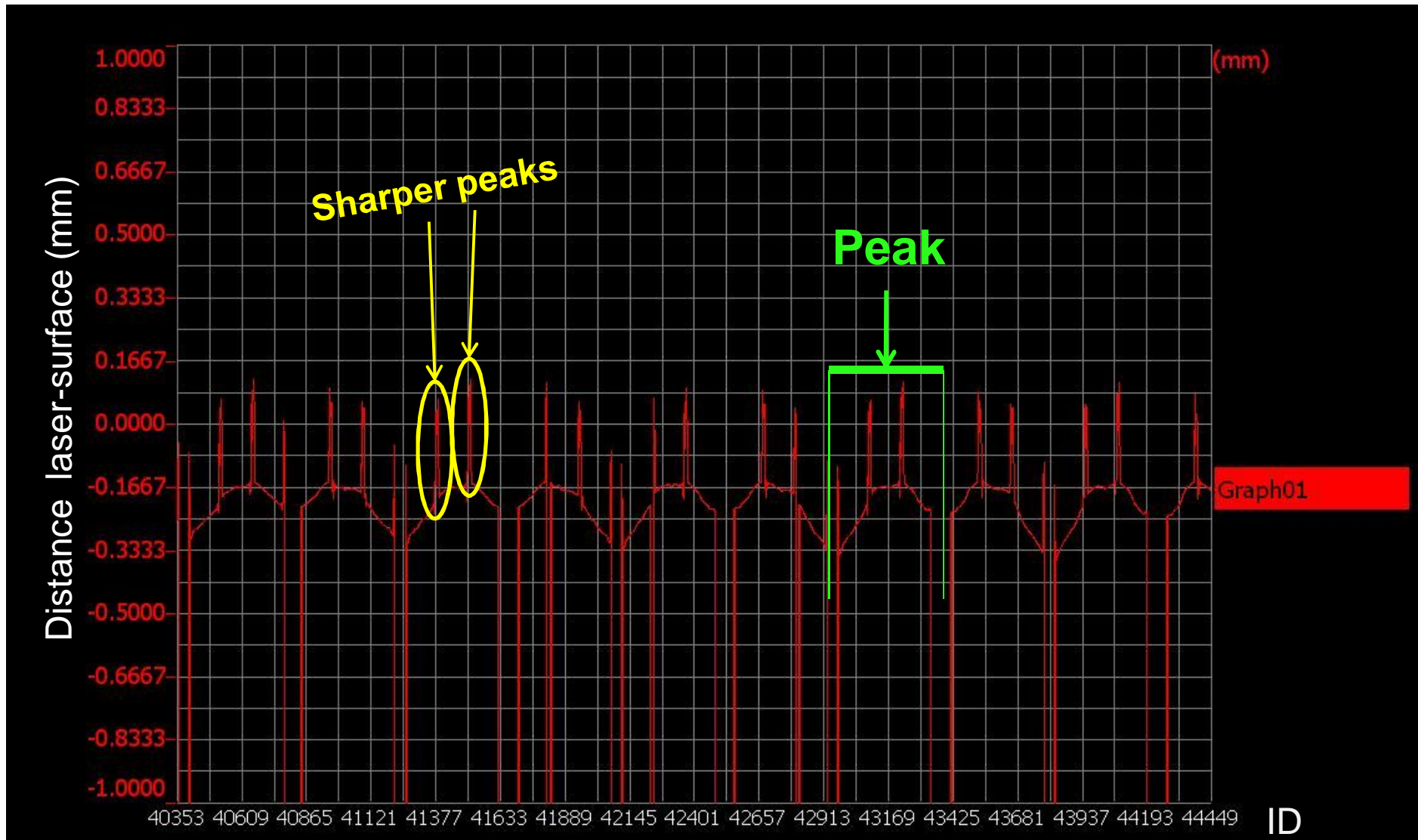
Set Speed

Set the number of data rows and the distance in between them

System set up completed: The Main Panel

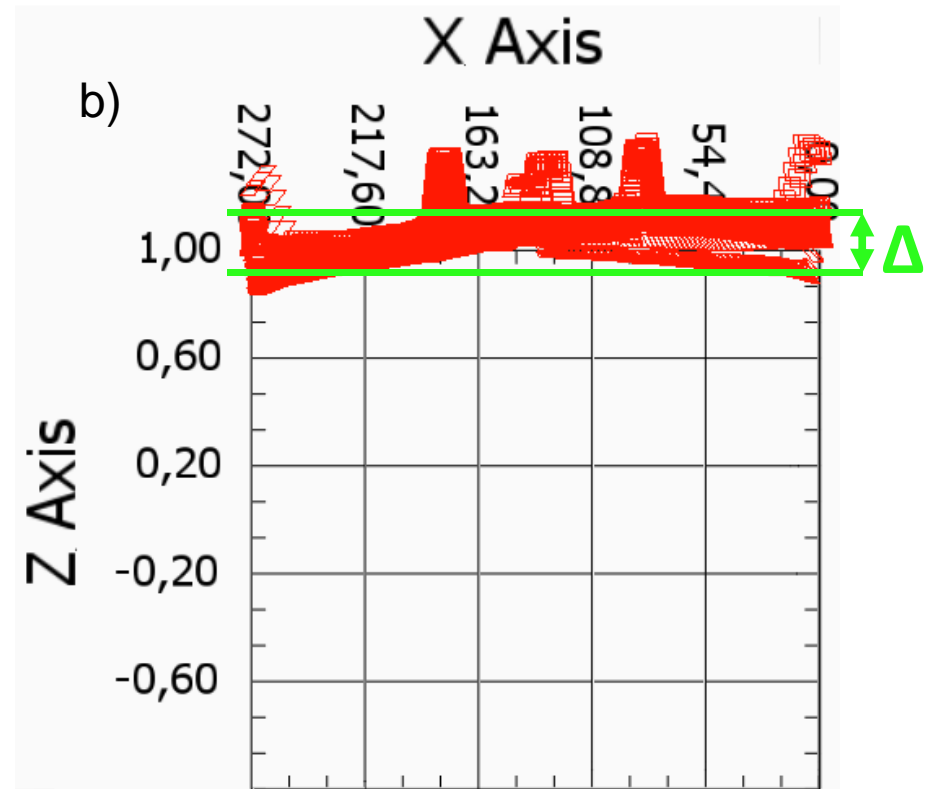
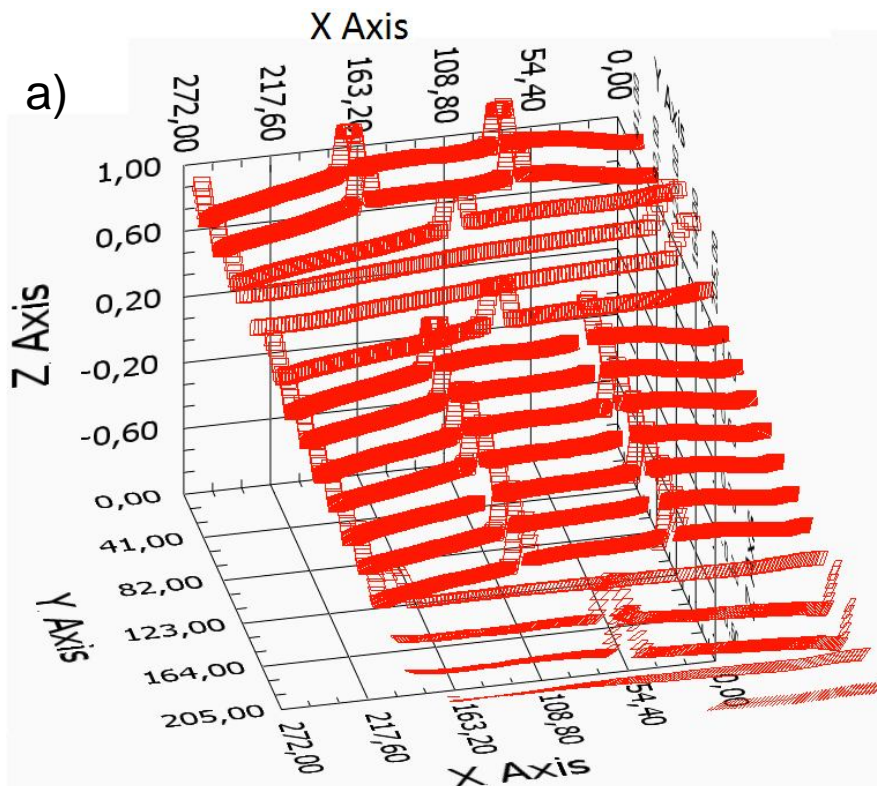
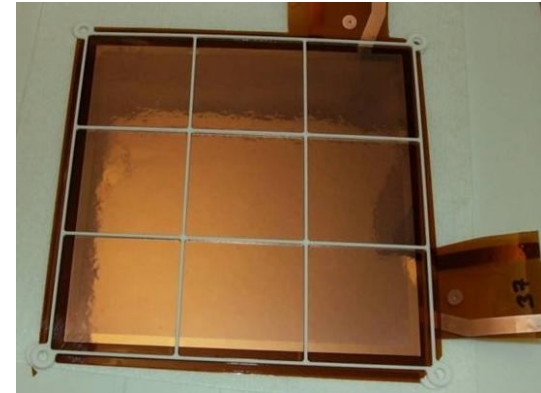


GRID GEM System Analysis



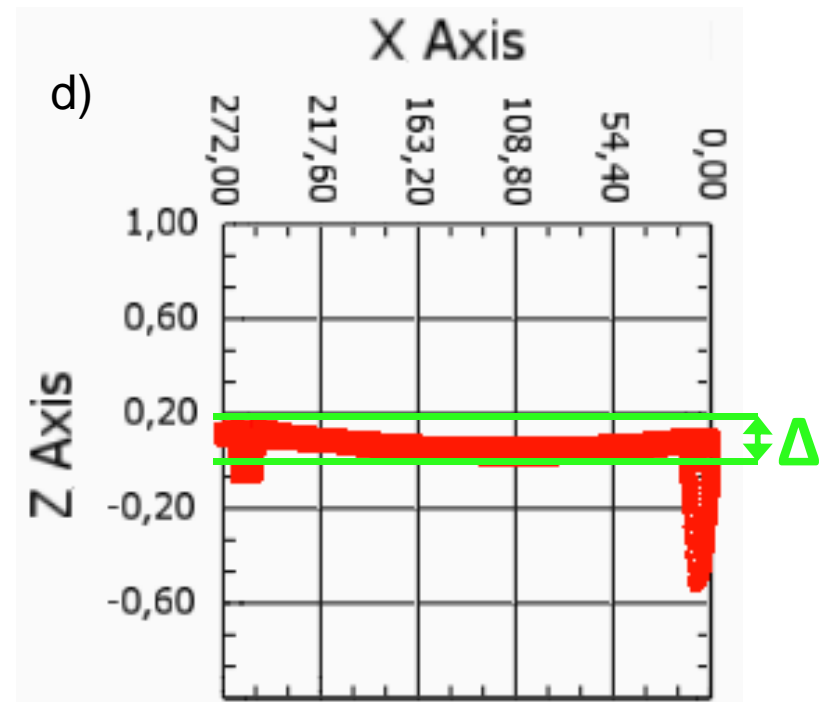
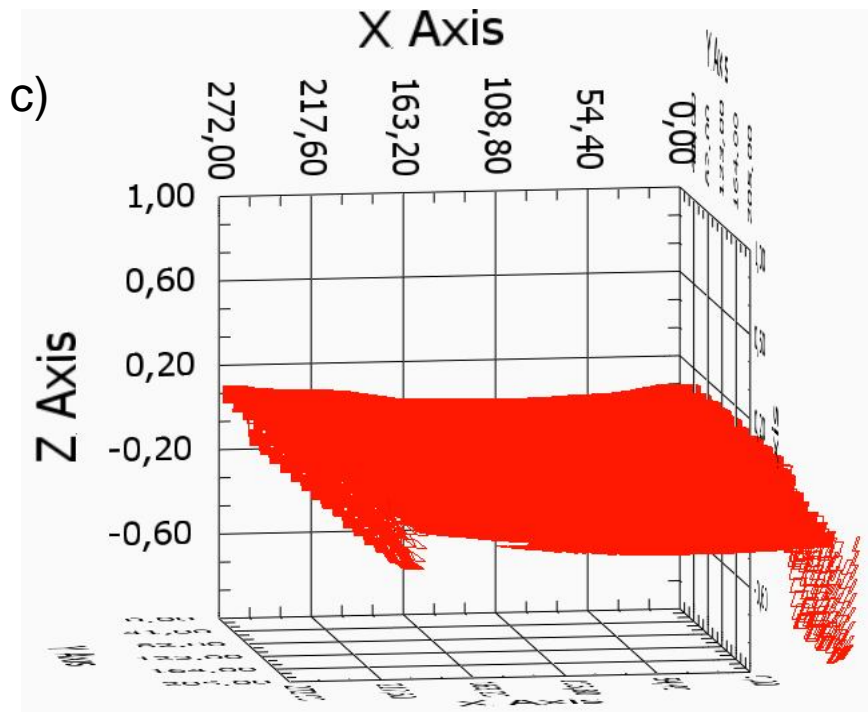
Results: First surface elaboration

Elaboration 1: BEHIND the GRID GEM system



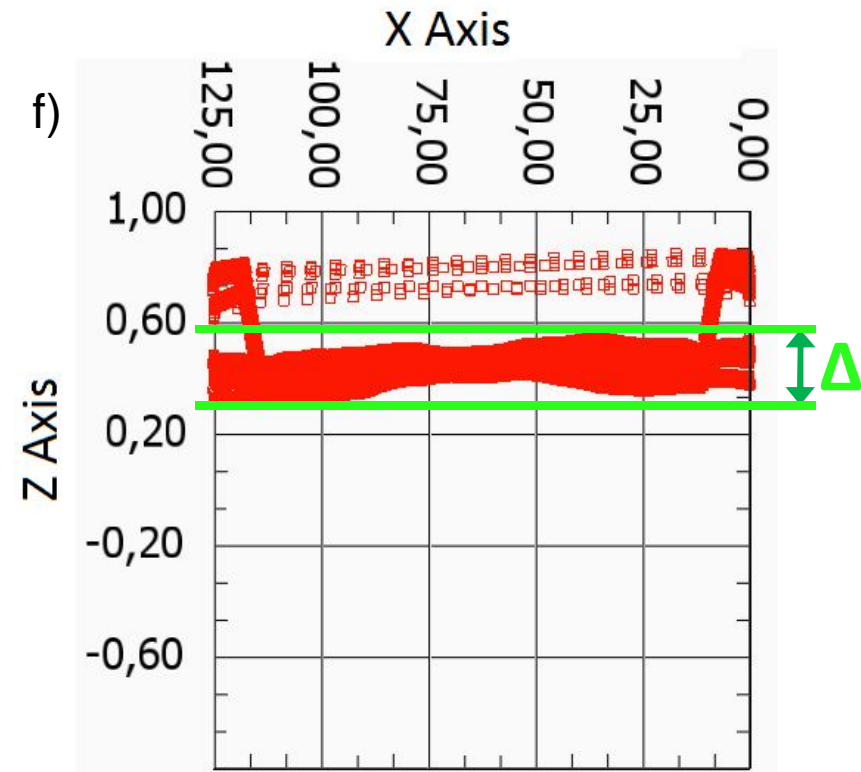
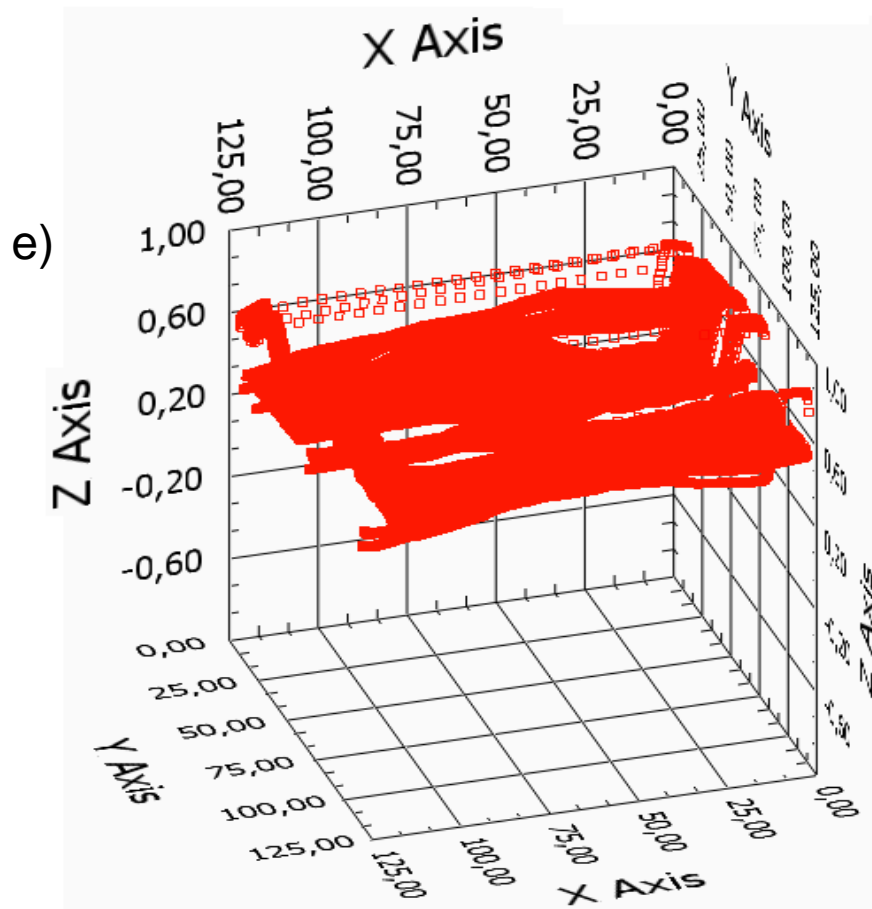
Results: First surface elaboration

Elaboration 2: IN FRONT of the GRID GEM system

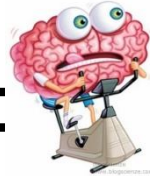


GRP framed GEM first surface elaboration

Elaboration 3: GRP framed GEM



Summary



- What I have done:
 - 1) System set up to measure mechanical properties of a GRID GEM system
 - 2) GRID GEM system and GRP framed GEM profile acquisition
- Preliminary Result :
 - 1) Ceramics grid profile has a more uniform distribution than GRP profile

Outlook

- Measure the influence of an applied high voltage
- Perform more detailed analysis of the surface structure and its influence on gain

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