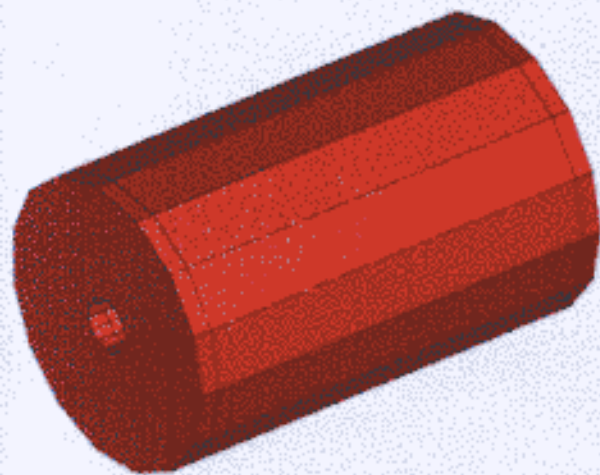


TPC in the TDR

Markus Schumacher , DESY

- **Why a TPC ?**
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Why a TPC ?



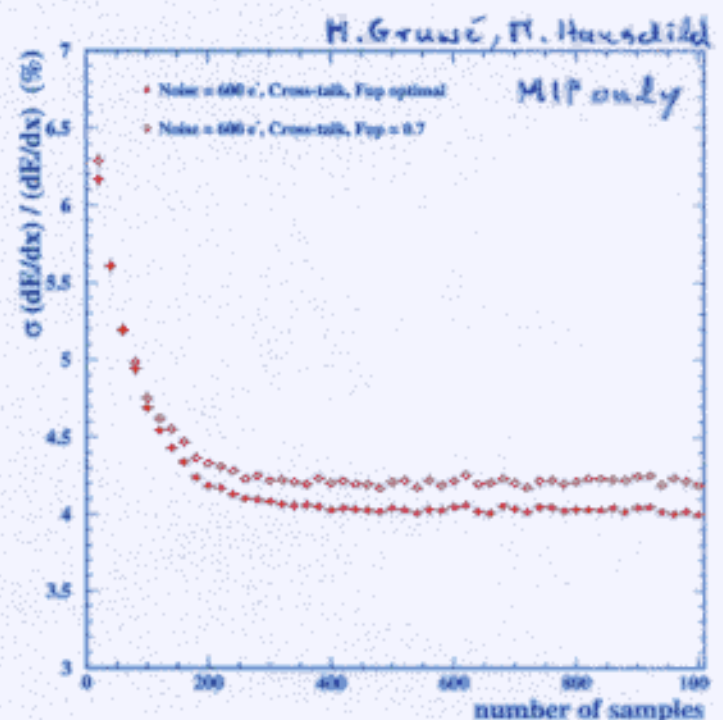
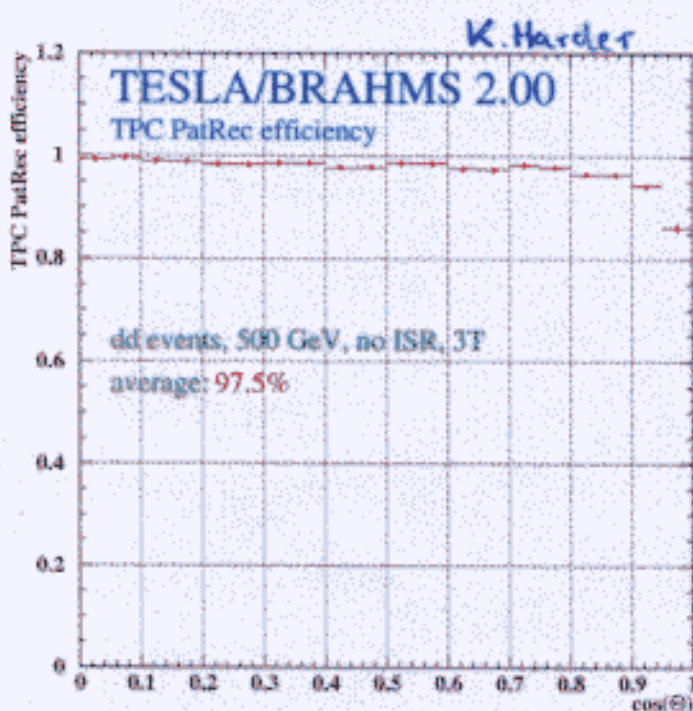
- true 3-dimensional track points
- high redundancy (≥ 120 track points)
- low material $\leq 3\% X_0$
(gas + inner field cage)

$$L=5\text{m}, r_i=0.32\text{m}, r_A=1.70\text{m}$$

$$\bullet \delta p_t / p_t^2 = 2.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ for } \sigma_{point} = 140\mu\text{m}$$

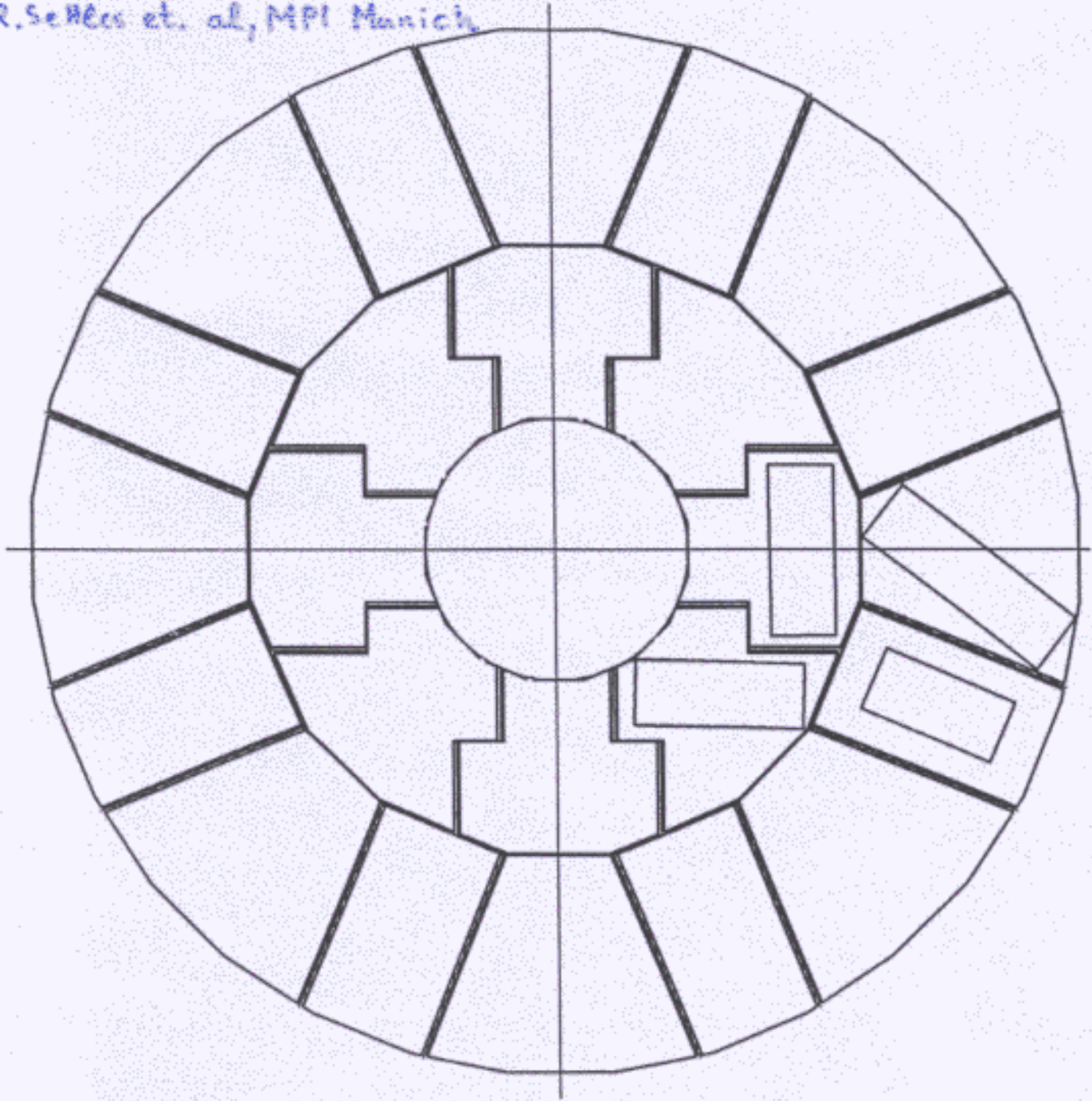
- simple and efficient pattern recognition

- particle identification via dE/dx measurements



Endplate Design

R. Seifert et. al, MPI Munich



Gas, Field Cage

Gas

Mixture	σ_n	E_{max}	v_{dmax}	D_l, D_t
$Ar - CO_2 - CH_4$	[barn]	[V/cm]	[cm/ μs]	$\mu m \sqrt{cm}$
90-0-10	34.0	135	5.47	368, 55
90-5-5	18.0	450	4.92	217, 119
90-10-0	2.0	750	4.99	184, 152

find compromise between: $\sigma_n \leftrightarrow E_{max}, v_{dmax}$

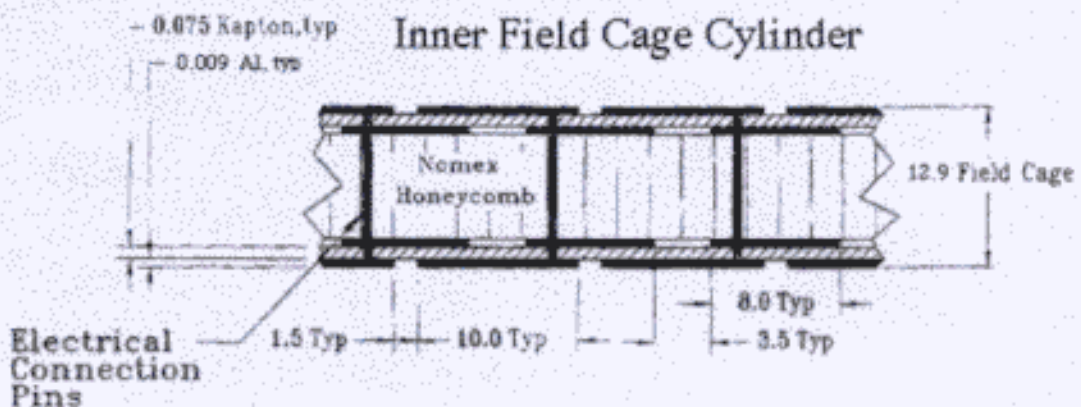
now in DESY setup: 92-5-3

Field Cage

STAR type field cage

OK for up to 100 kV

movable for maintenance of inner detectors



Read out technologies

- aim: untriggered running
- hope: no gating needed with alternative read out technologies

- **main option: double (triple) GEM for read out**

second option: Micromegas (P.Colas et al., Saclay)

several advantages above wire chambers

- shorter pulses (only e^- signal) \rightarrow better intrinsic $r\phi$ and z resolution
- no (small) track angle, $\vec{E} \times \vec{B}$ effects due to 2-dim. symmetry
- lower mass due to simpler support structure
- suppression of ion feedback ($\leq 1\%$?)

needs confirmation by further ongoing R&D

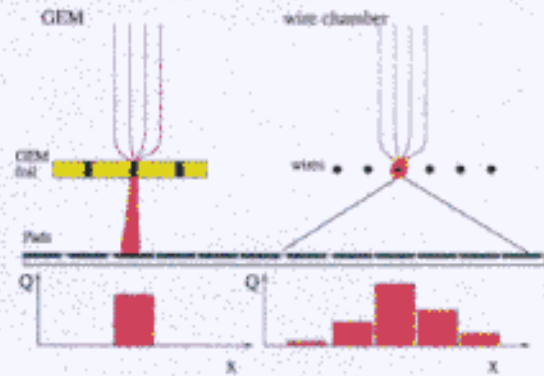
(at Aachen, Berkeley, Carleton, Hamburg, Karlsruhe, Orsay, Saclay)

+ possibly gating grid triggered by bunch trains

- fall back solution: traditional wire chambers (see CDR)

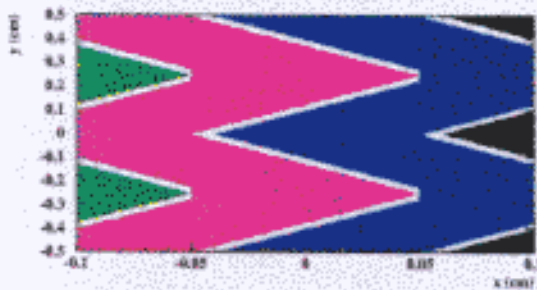
Pad Geometries

problem: resolution might degrade
when using GEMS with large pads

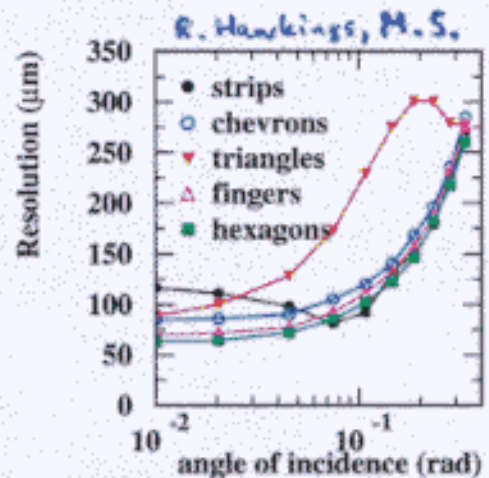
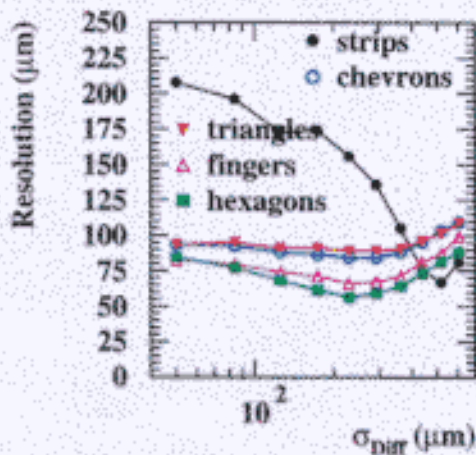


- number of channels: 1.5 million \Rightarrow pad area 10mm^2
- which pad geometry (alternatives to rectangular strips)?

(1) use charge signal only:



chevrons ($10\text{ mm} \times 1\text{ m}$) meet $\sigma_{point} = 140\mu\text{m}$
smaller dependence on drift length and track angle



(2) use charge and induction signal (Carleton):

hexagon shape (\rightarrow M. Dixit's talk in R&D session)

center distance 2.5 mm, $\sigma_{point} \approx 60\mu\text{m}$

Electronics, Costs

Electronics

- **demands: sampling and digitization on endplane**
early zero suppression
- **starting point: STAR type electronics (so far up to 40 MHz)**
ongoing R&D at Berkeley (M. Ronan et al.)
- **induction signals need sampling at ≥ 100 MHz**
ATWD chip technology at Berkeley (\rightarrow LC-Note)
Carleton: readout out of GEM induction signal with FADCs

Costs

- **estimate will be based on STAR and ALICE TPCs**
STAR: 25 million \$
ALICE: 17 MCHF