# STATE OF THE WIRES OF THE STRAW TUBE TRACKER

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STT





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## Why "Straw" Tube?

You will find the answer to this question in the picture:





Straw is long and thin ...

#### What is the STT?

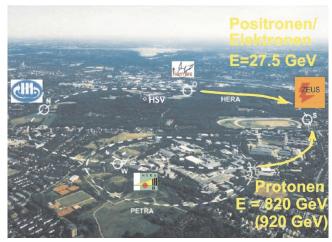
The STT (Straw Tube Tracker) is a component of the ZEUS detector

It is designed to improve the track reconstruction in the forward region of the detector

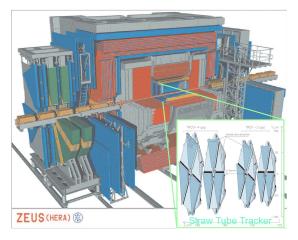
It was installed during the HERA shutdown in 2000



#### Where is ZEUS?

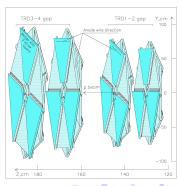


#### Where is the STT inside the detector?



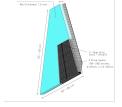
#### Parts of the STT

- Two STT: STT1 (small sectors) and STT2 (large sectors)
- Eight superlayers (wheels): four for each STT
- Six sectors per superlayer
- Sectors consists of tubes with wires inside:
  - Small sectors: 64Large sectors: 88
- Also three layers of wires per sector
- Position of the superlayers:



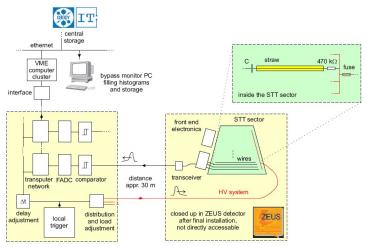
#### Sectors

- A sector is something like this —
- Each sector has at one side two or three data acquisition electronic boards
- But not all the wires of the sectors are OK! There are:
  - Dead wires
  - Unstable wires



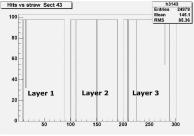
- Analysis of these wires is very important to:
  - Know the state of the STT
  - Analyse if there is any similar evolution in order to detect a source of damage in the system
- To check the wires we use injected pulses (Pulse Test) →
  Big amount of **DATA** to analyse

### Pulse Test Setup



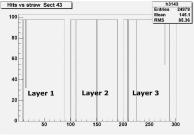
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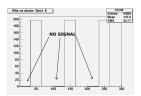


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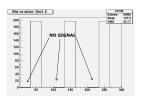
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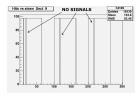
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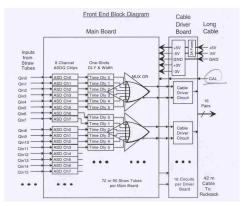
It seems that there are dead wires at the same position in each layer





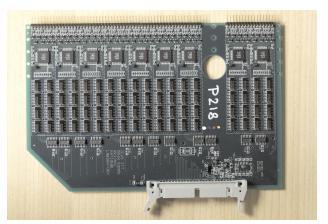
# Previous knowledges II

The main board of the acquisition uses MUX-OR gates for each 6 wires so if one of these is broken  $\rightarrow$  **Transmission line fail** 



## Previous knowledges III

A typical electronic board with mux gates, pre-amplifiers, ...:



#### Results I

• Number of dead and unstable wires (10944 wires in total):

	Number
Dead wires	199
90-100 % Unstable wires	10
80-90 % Unstable wires	18
70-80 % Unstable wires	3
60-70 % Unstable wires	4
50-60 % Unstable wires	3
40-50 % Unstable wires	6
30-40 % Unstable wires	2
20-30 % Unstable wires	2
10-20 % Unstable wires	6
0-10 % Unstable wires	6

Only 1.82 % of the wires are dead  $\longrightarrow$  **Not Bad!** 



#### Results II

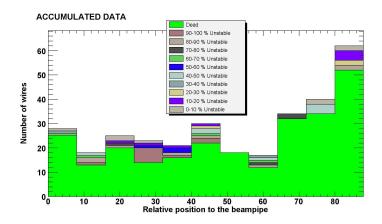
• Quality of the wires:

# RESPONDING WIRES (10944 total) 100 99 98 97 96 8 95 94 93

Quality of the wires

91

#### Results III



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#### Results IV

# Dead wires with respect to the relative position to the beampipe:

- Inner wires: no general behaviour found
- Outer wires: dead wires increasing with the relative position

# Unstable wires with respect to the relative position to the beampipe:

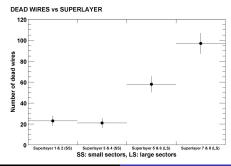
- No conclusion has been found
- Not enough unstable wires to establish a pattern



#### Results V

#### Dead wires with respect to the superlayers:

- First superlayers: no tendency
- Last superlayers: increasing number of dead wires with the axial coordinate





# Supposed reasons of the damage of the wires

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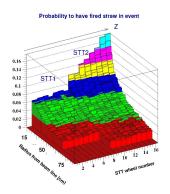
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#### Thank you for your attention