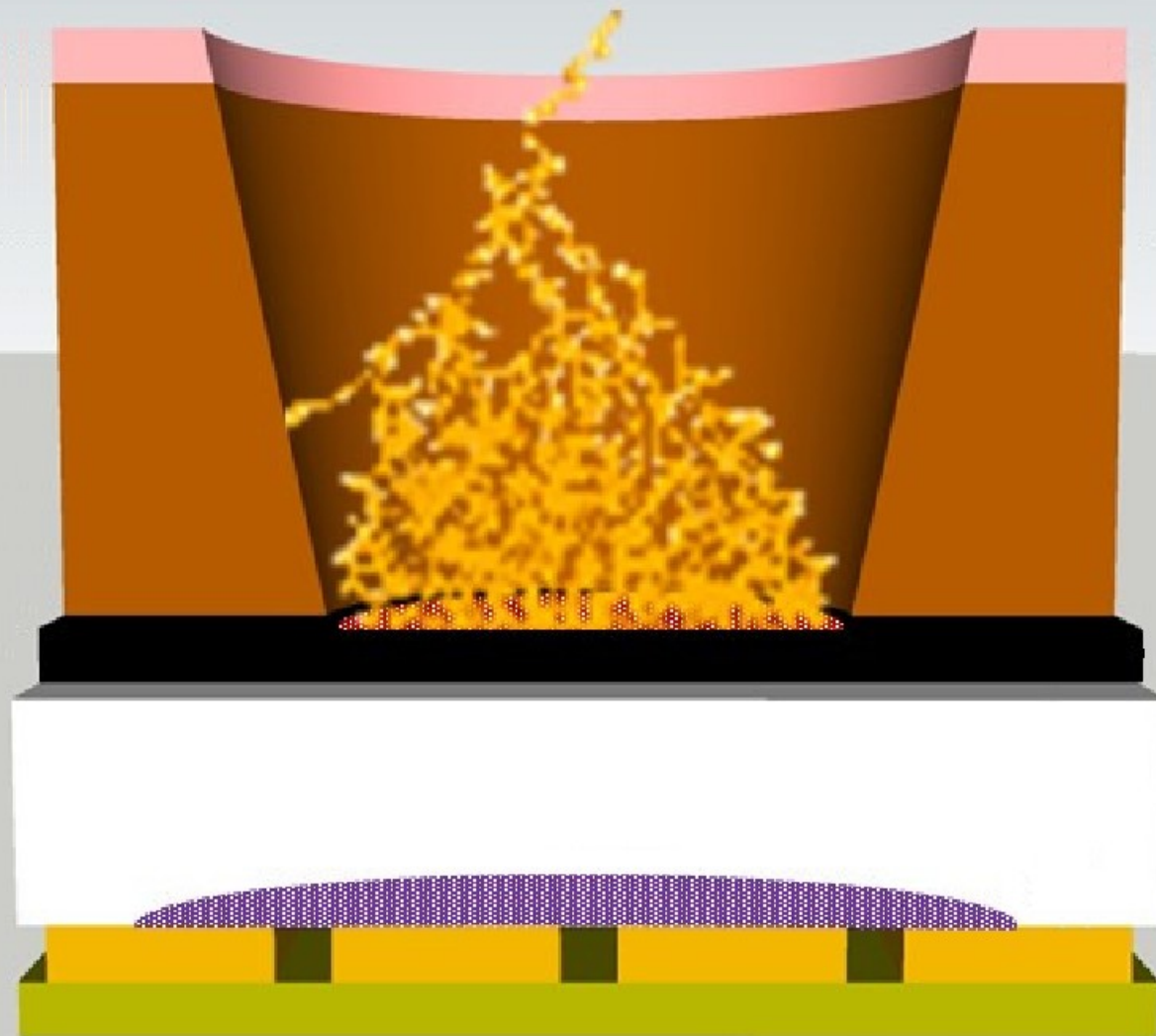


Latest  
MPGD:  
 $\mu$ -RWell  
detector



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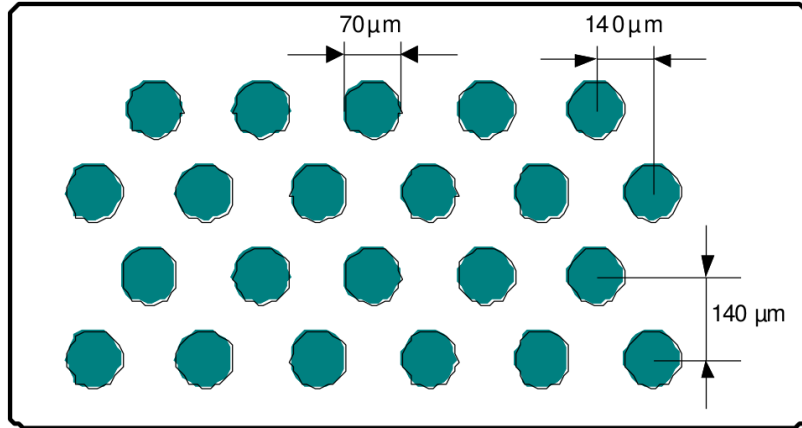
The micro-Resistive WELL is proposed in

1. **CLAS12 @ JLAB:** the upgrade of the muon spectrometer
2. **X17 @ n\_TOF EAR2:** for the amplification stage of a TPC dedicated to the detection of the X17 boson
3. **TACTIC @ YORK Univ.:** radial TPC for detection of nuclear reactions with astrophysical significance
4. **Muon collider:** hadron calorimeter
5. **CMD3:** uRWELL Disk for the upgrade of the tracking system
6. **URANIA-V:** a project funded by CSN5 for neutron detection, an ideal spin-off of the EU-funded ATTRACT-URANIA
7. **UKRI:** neutron detection with pressurized  $^3\text{He}$ -based gas mixtures

The state of art of the  $\mu$ -RWELL technology by M. Poli Lener  
for G. Bencivenni, R. De Oliveira, G. Felici, M. Gatta, M. Giovanetti, G.  
Morello at MPGD2022

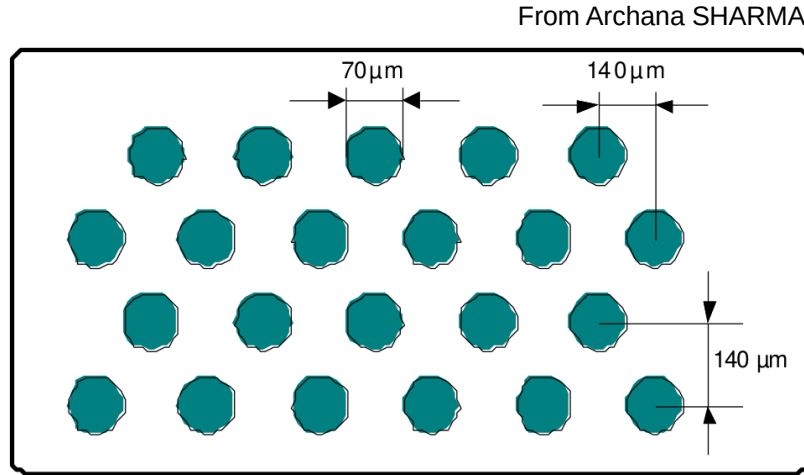
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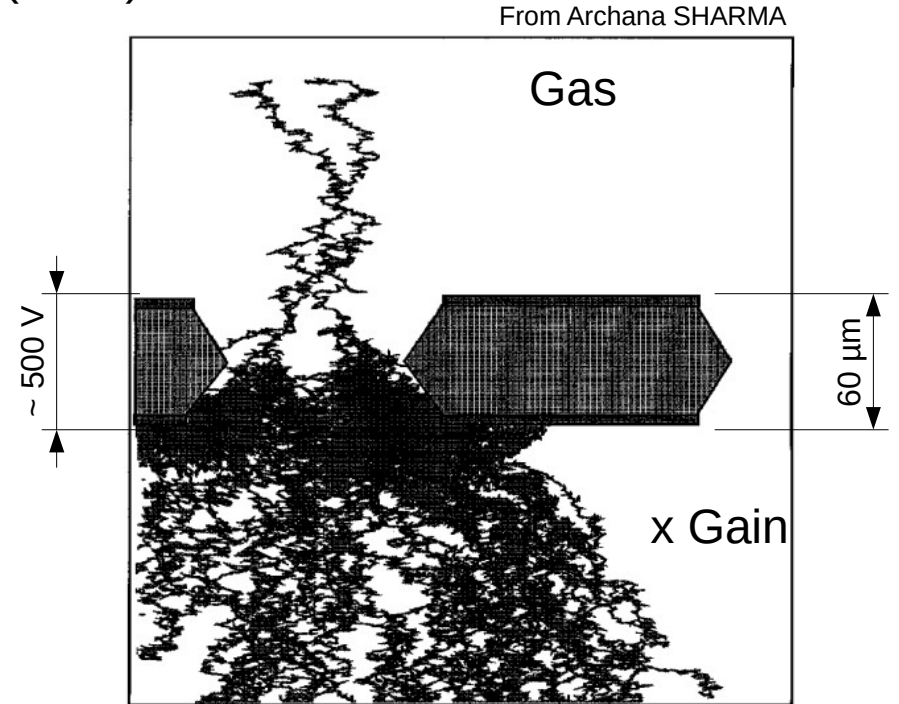


GEM top view

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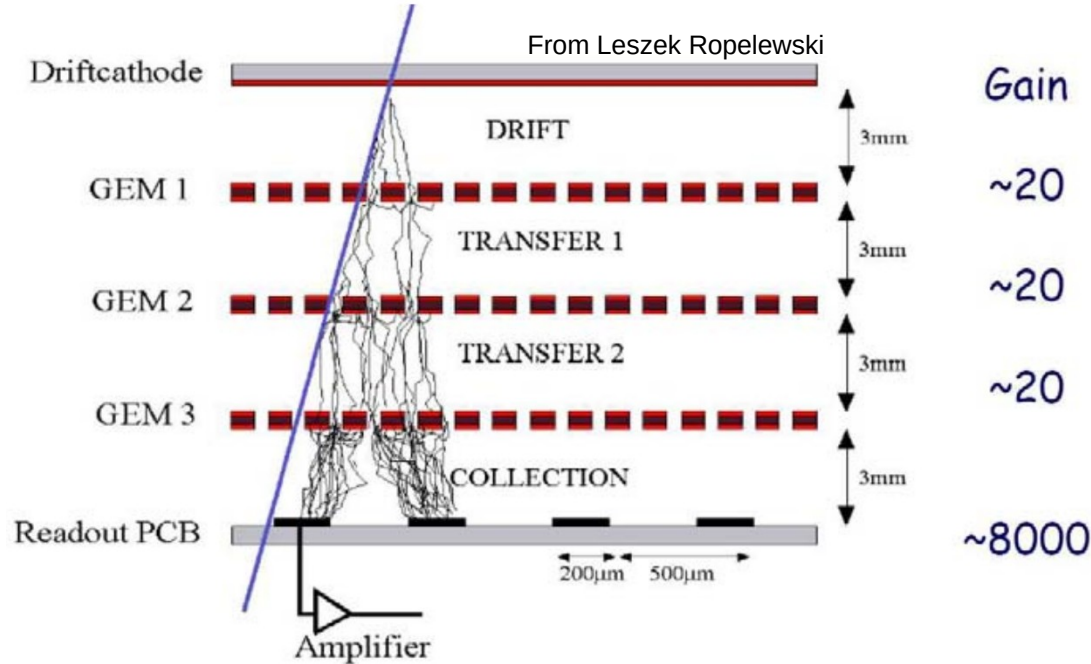
GEM top view



GEM side view with avalanche

500V necessary to reach gain of 300, breaks above 550V.

Increase achievable gain



Currently still R&D on the topic and used in numerous experiments but...

- Mechanical constraints due to the three layers
- Non negligible amount of material
- Spark free but still fragile
- Can we be faster? Can we stand higher fluxes?

GEM foil directly in/on the PCB



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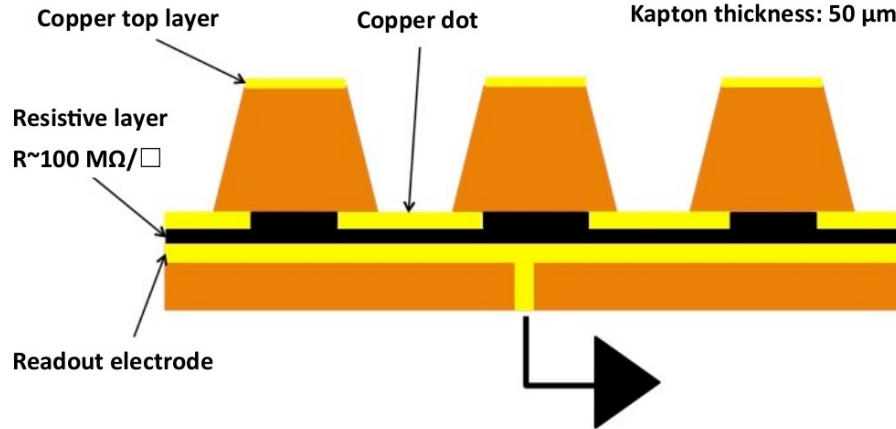
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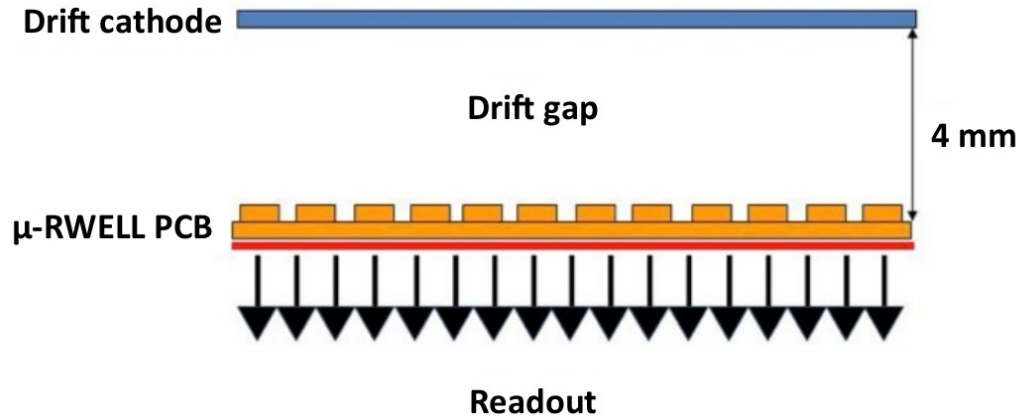

  
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 Kapton thickness: 50  $\mu\text{m}$



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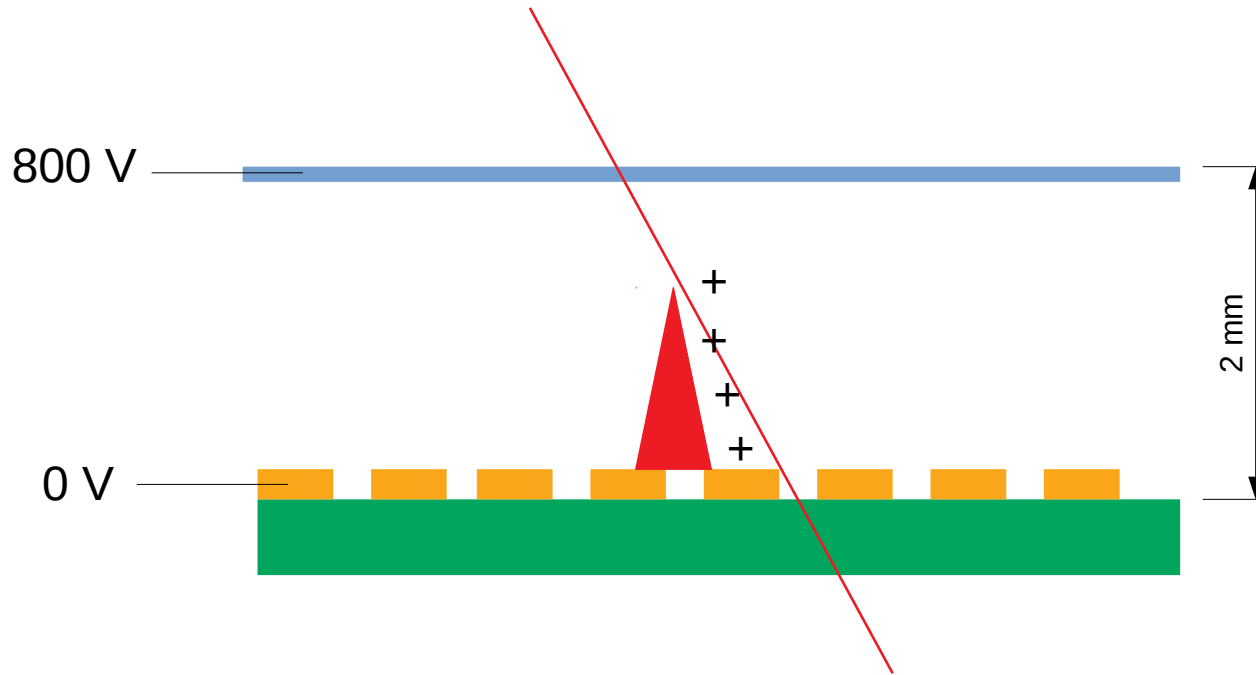
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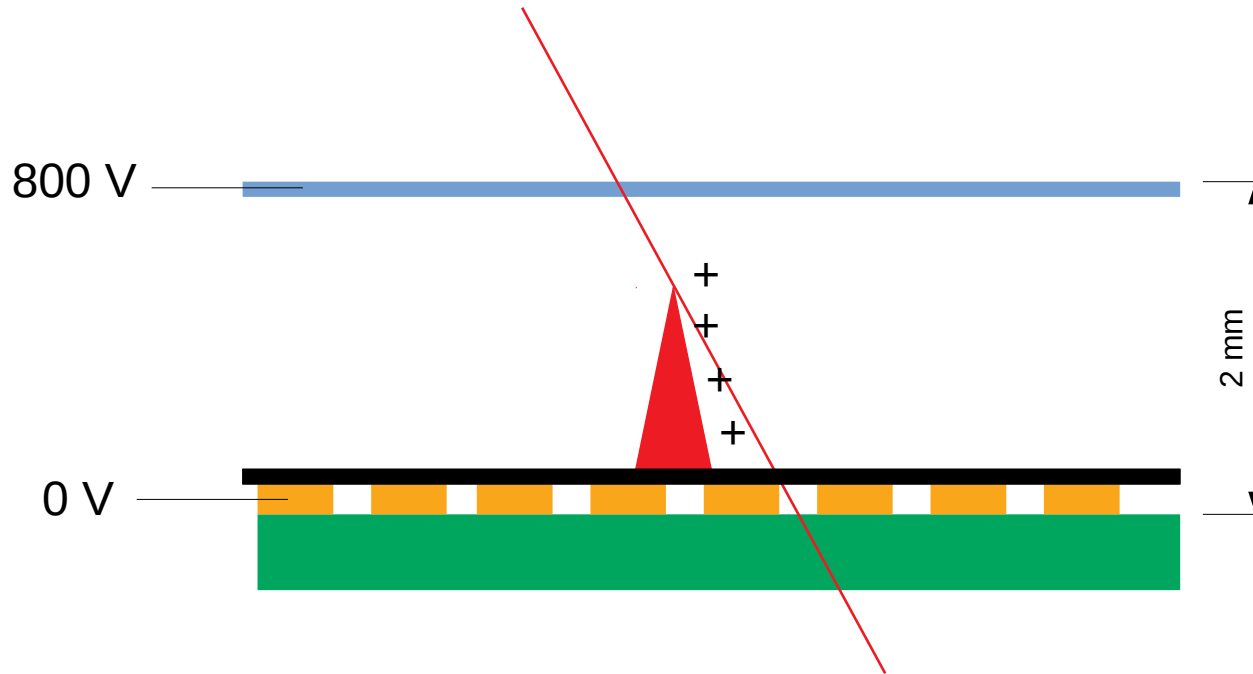






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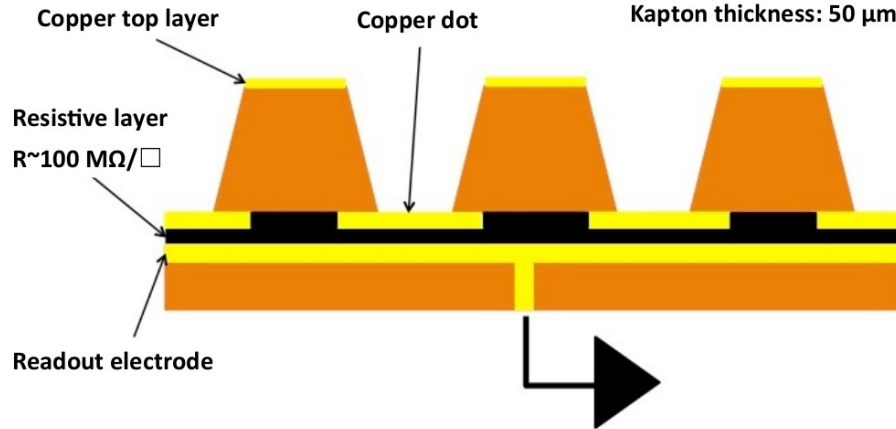
But due to the resistivity of the resistive layer the phenomenon is local and instantaneous. The spark occurs but goes unnoticed

GEM foil directly in/on the PCB



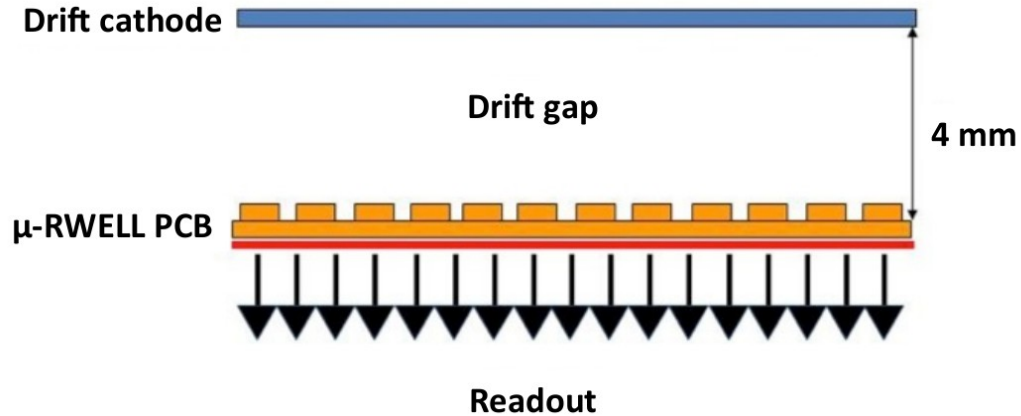

  
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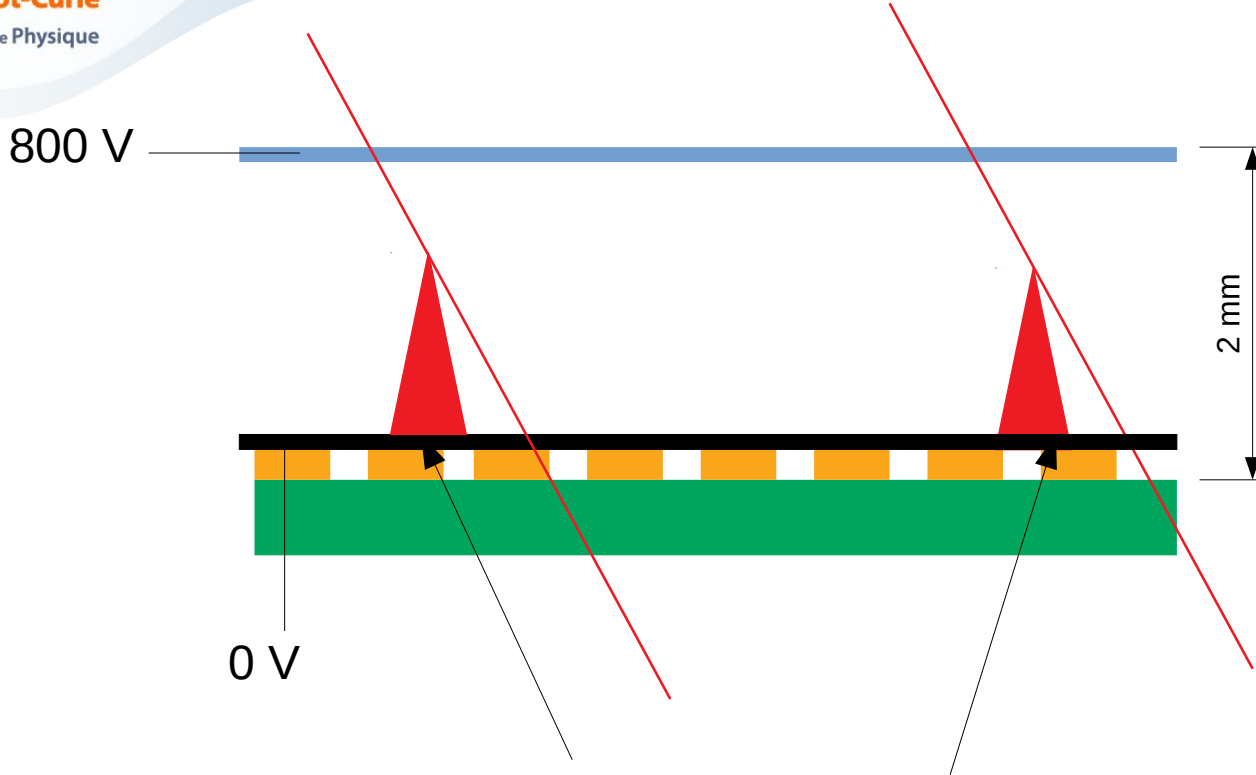


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- **spark resistant**



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Avalanche induces current on the pads, here resistive hence the potential changes.

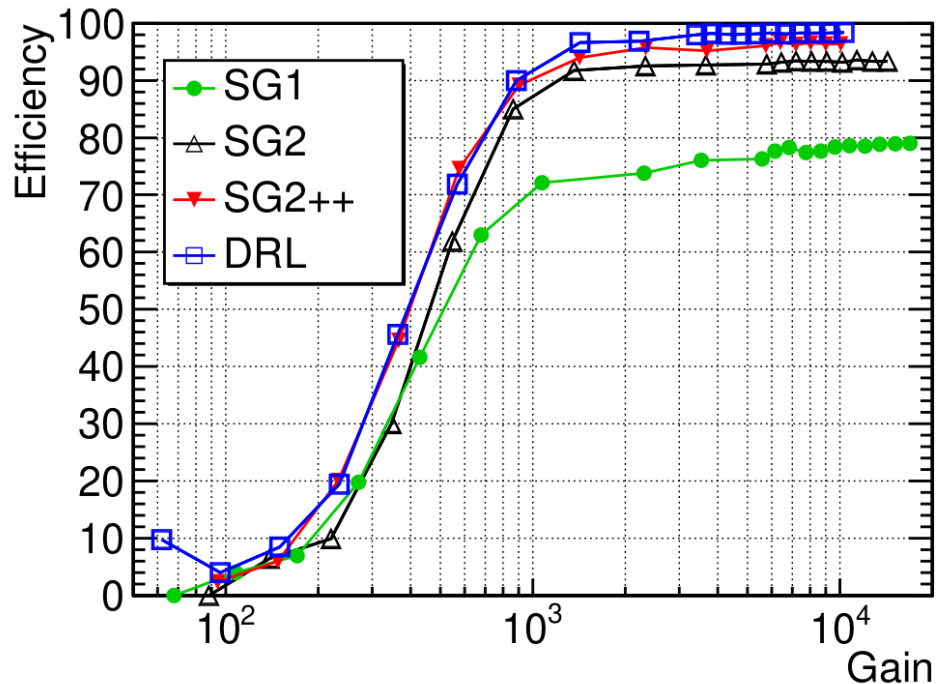
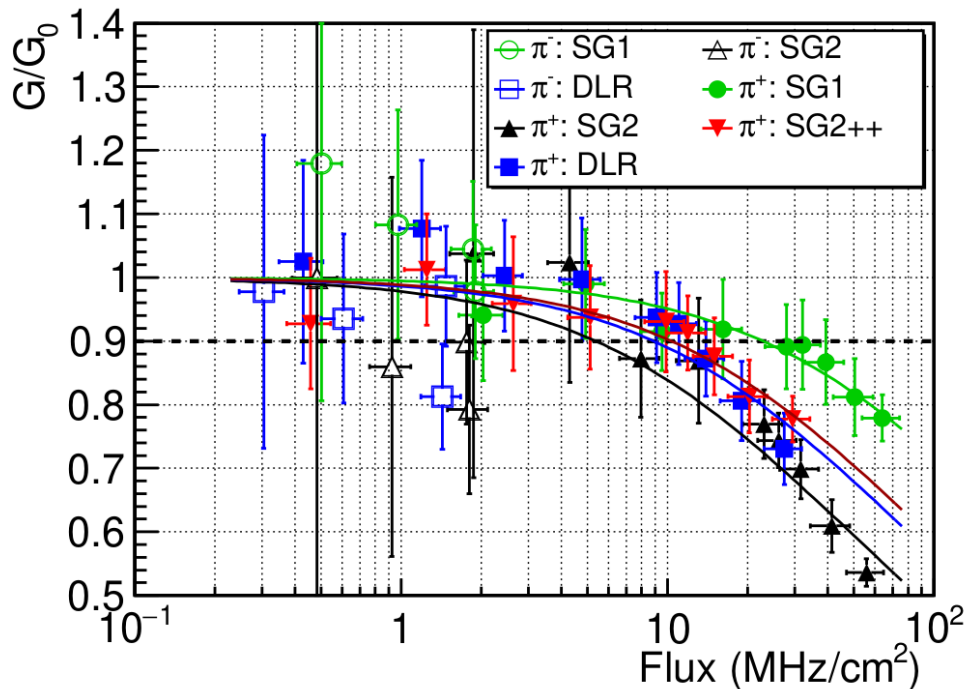
This induces a non uniform response of the detector

Different path to ground, hence different resistive layer potential

High density of grounding is necessary

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In Ar/CO<sub>2</sub>/CF<sub>4</sub> (45/15/40)



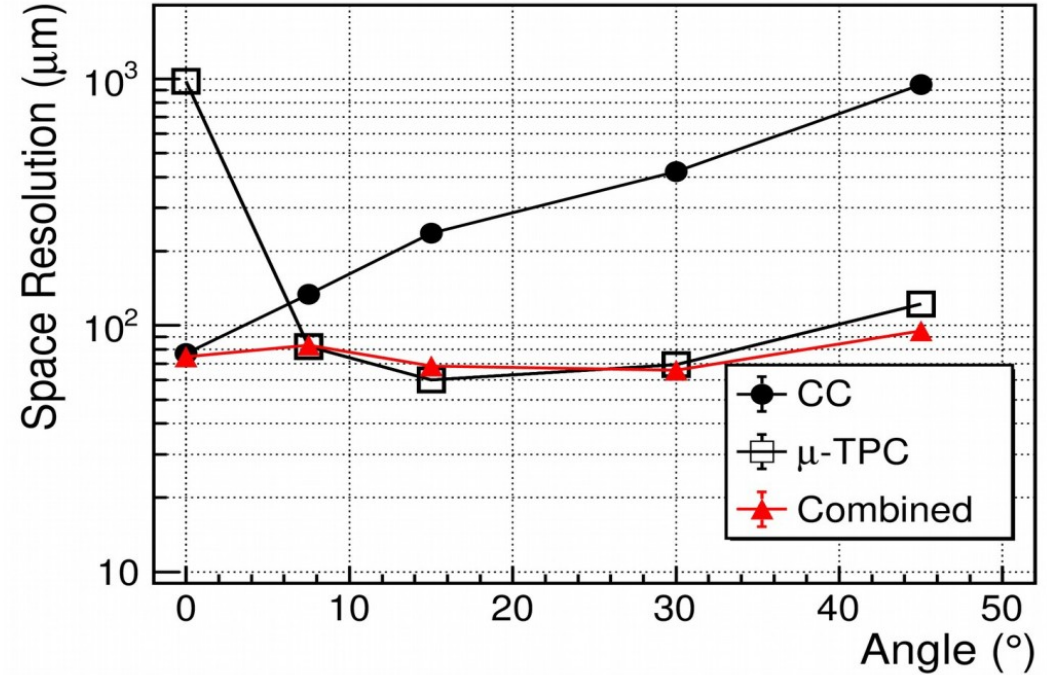
Compatible with HL-LHC and FCC-ee rate

150 GeV/c muon beam

400  $\mu\text{m}$  strip pitch

Gain = 5 000

Ar/CO<sub>2</sub>/CF<sub>4</sub> (45/15/40) gas mixture



Can stand up to  $\sim 4\text{-}5 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$   
Can reach  $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution

Aspects not presented:

- transfer to the industry started from the beginning of the R&D
- not yet square meter detector
- eco-gas mixtures R&D
- stability and aging R&D (aging is good so far, no difference for  $100 \text{ mC/cm}^2$ , 10 times more is necessary for LHCb phase 2)

