

# CyMBaL Micromegas for EIC



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## Cylindrical Micromegas Barrel Layer (CyMBaL)

- Tracking System (Barrel)
  - Silicon Vertex Trackers (SVT)
  - CyMBaL
  - Barrel Time of Flight (BTOF)
  - µRWELL-BOT
- What will CyMBaL do?
  - Fast tracklets for track seeding
  - Full hermetic coverage
  - Reliable redundancy
- CyMBaL Requirements
  - $\circ$  Spatial Resolution: ~150µm
  - Timing Resolution: ~10ns
  - Low Material Budget: ~0.5%X0



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### CyMBaL: Gap Coverage



- Silicon Vertex Tracker has a gap in rapidity between barrel and forward disks, as low as 3 hits max at  $\eta=1$
- CyMBaL and BTOF cover this gap, bringing tracking back to 5 hits



## **CyMBaL: Layout**

- Fully hermetic: Overlap in phi and z
- Two curvature radii
  - Central cylinders: 50 cm
  - Forward cylinders: 55 cm
- 32 modules
  - 4 along z, 8 around azimuth
  - $\circ \quad 1024 \ readout \ channels/module \rightarrow 32k \ total$





### CyMBaL: Module

- Single module design with two curvature radii simplifies production and reduces cost
- Front end boards based on SALSA ASIC at edges of detector to reduce material budget
  - 50cm micro-coaxial cables connecting central modules
- 2D readout strips with pitch ~1 mm







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Key Difference:

Upgrade necessary for readout **1D** CLAS12  $\rightarrow$  **2D** CyMBaL











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### Design Goals

- Spread charge over multiple strips to improve spatial resolution by a weighted average
- Share charge equally between top and bottom strips

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# **Developing and Characterizing Prototypes**

Two Options for Testing Prototypes

### **Beam Test**



- Key Measurements
- Time resolution
- Spatial Resolution
- Efficiency
- Charge sharing
- Cluster Size
- Gain Curves

### Cosmics



- Mainz test in July 2023
  - Limited results due to multiple scattering
- Possible future test at CERN

- Test bench set up at CEA-Saclay
- **Pro** Can quickly test new detectors
- **Con** Limited statistics for precise measurements



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- More equal sharing in **D1** where **Top** strip width reduced 0.2
  - Can tune **Top** strip width to optimize charge sharing





- Cluster Size: Number of adjacent strips above threshold
  - For cluster size > 2, a weighted average can improve spatial resolution. Larger cluster size desirable
- Smaller pitch increases cluster size
- Wider **Top** strips (**D2**) increase cluster sizes



### **Spatial Resolution**



- Residuals: Difference between a track's true position and measured position
- Finer pitch gives better (smaller) residuals at the expense of more readout channels
- Residuals under **200µm** for 0.5 and 1.0 mm pitch





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### **Thanks for your attention!**

### Backup



- Choice of the 2D readout pattern
- Large scale prototype
- Design of the final module
- First production of few modules Production of 32 modules
- Adjustment of the design
- Test of components from vendors
- Test of assembly line ٠
- Start procurement for prod
- Validation of detector . mechanics with ePIC support structure

- Validation of modules with cosmics and with Fe55
- Shipments to BNL .









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### Dimensions:

- Size: 65 x 46 cm<sup>2</sup>
- Active area: 59x44 cm<sup>2</sup>
- r/o strips: ~1 mm pitch in both directions
- Readout strips per module: 1024
- 32 channels per connector  $\rightarrow$  32 connectors

### Services:

- HV: 2 channels (drift and resistive layer)
- Gas: 2 tubes (in and out)
  - Two tiles can be in series
- 4 FEBs per module
- 4 ASICs per FEB:
  - 1x8ch FireFly per FEB to the RDO or optical fiber FreFly
  - 2 short flex cables per ASIC
  - Low voltages: 2 voltages and 2 grounds
  - Cooling in and out, possibly in series



The final decision on the readout pattern design is pending the completion of the R&D







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Detector
Track
True Hit
Measured Hit

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Residual distribution can tell us resolution of detector: → precision of tracking

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