# PNPI activity in MuCh

- Hit producer (Misha Ryzhinsky, separate talk)
- Thick GEM (Leonid Kudin, separate talk)

### Outlook:

- Micromegas prototype tests
- Micropattern detectors: some news from CERN
- MuCh chambers: general considerations
- Integration: possible scenario

### Micromegas prototype tests



#### It is a-priori known that MM can work in MuCh environment

#### Goals:

- To lean how to work with the device
- To see the signal shapes
- To study basic properties

Ionization gap = 3 mm

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### Anode charge distribution in case of Micromegas (ArCO<sub>2</sub>, 80:20)







Wide strip zone, 100 microns gap

# VERY preliminary!!!

### Anode charge distribution in case of Micromegas (HeCO<sub>2</sub>, 80:20)



Wide (10 mm) strip zone, 200 microns.



Wide strip zone, 100 microns gap,

# VERY preliminary!!!

## **Gas Gain: HV dependence**



Micromegas, amplification gap of 200 microns

### VERY preliminary!!!

### **GEM vs Micromegas: Summary**

- High rate capabilities are similar, but the electronics for micromegas needs specific filters to eliminate the ion tail.
- Both detectors could suffer from discharges, but there are methods to reduce the risk to the affordable level
- HV granularity inherent to micromegas, but it is difficult to achieve in case of GEM
- **GEM** is much more **expensive**, but micromegas requires more careful assembling
- Charge radius is smaller (3-5 times compared to classic GEM).

### GEM vs Micromegas Anode charge distribution for GEM

#### GEM PERFORMANCES



The figure is taken from the report by F. Sauli (borrowed from the PhD thesis by M. Zeigler)

#### Spot size: FWHM ~ 0.8 mm ( $\sigma$ ~0.4 mm) Typically 3 strips fired

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### GEM vs Micromegas Anode charge distribution in case of Micromegas



SUBATECH prototype

2 strips fired (mean), strip pitch 0.2 mm

To be compared with GEM where 3 strips with pitch of .5 mm fired

# Size of a charge in MM is factor of 3-5 smaller than in GEM.

Approximately proportional to the ratio of the mean electron drift path (1.5+3x2) / 1.6

**R&D to reduce the spot:** to decrease the distances between GEM foils and the foil and the anode

Simulations are required to study the level of importance of the effect

### Last news: CERN, Sept'07

#### http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceOtherViews.py?view=standard&confld=16213

Available (in nearest future, not now!) MAX sizes:

**GEM** size (500x800 mm) is limited by Laser direct imaging machine, bad alignment **Micromegas** woven mesh – quality of mesh (up to 1000x1000 mm)

Future improvements are possible...

GEM cost reduces **VERY** slowly :(



Waves on the surface of the Micromegas mesh (from 3 {good} to 30 microns {bad}) in amplitude)... To be studied. Tooling to detect(?) / eliminate (??) Raw material: 1200mm x 1000mm in any thickness

#### **CNC drilling:**

-size : 600mm x 500mm -time : 3000 to 6000 holes/hour -tooling : 1 tool= 1000 to 3000 holes -possibility to drill up to 5 circuits at a time ( 0.2 to 0.3mm boards)

Screen printing:

-size: 600mm x 500mm

-absolute resistor value accuracy +/- 50% on large sizes (estimated)

#### Price:

400 Euros for Compass like size (300mm x 300mm) for 1 piece 266 Euros """""""""(qty 100 pieces) These prices are without any post treatment Company ELTOS (Italy) Holes of 0.2mm pitch 0.5mm (250 000 holes)

Maximum size 600mm x 500mm



### Natural way of HV segmentation!!!

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### MUCH Design Specifications (to be discussed)

- Chambers up to 3.5 m in diameter of the sensitive zone
- Thickness envelope below 40 mm (preferably 30 mm)
- Possibilities for the displacements:
  - Side (working/servicing positions)
  - Storage position
- Spatial resolution to be discussed (0.3 0.5 mm??)
- Reproducibility of the detector geometry
  - In XY ~0.3 of the chamber spatial resolution  $\sim 0.1 \text{ mm}$
  - In Z ~ doubled of the chamber spatial resolution (at base ratio ~4) ~0.5 mm

These tolerances should be checked within CBMroot analysis

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Approaches for the chamber design: Monolithic option

Though less probable, should be studied (e.g. glued pieces of GEM)



### Approaches for the chamber design: Mosaic



# Chamber design considerations

Careful finite element analysis is required for both designs

FEE location:

- On the surface of a chamber (requires complicated machining of sandwich and increase of its thickness).
- Over the chamber perimeter (requires expensive multilayer PCB)

# **Geometry Monitoring System**

Goal: to measure the displacements due to temperature (change and gradients), magnetic fields, etc in order to have a possibility to introduce the software or hardware corrections.

- Absolute overall positioning of the detector **EMS** (external)
- Reproducibility of the detector elements position, time stability LMS (longitudinal, the chambers assumed to be rigid)
- Detector deformation monitoring **TMS** (transverse)
  - Bending
  - Twisting

A set of devices is developed (BCAM, RASNIK); they are widely used in LEP (L3) and LHC experiments (ATLAS, ALICE)

IR lasers + CCD

# Integration MuCh detector Problems:



 Independent installation/removal of the chambers and absorbers (for purpose of calibration with direct particles without magnetic field) (???)

- Servicing of the first chambers
- Chamber size >> size of active zone (stiffness requirements + GMS)

# Integration – first considerations

- The common concrete basement for MUCH and RICH in the middle of the cave; floor outside
- Detector either:
  - Sits on the movable along Z platform capable to get out of the magnet (?? one of the approaches)
  - Or the first chambers will be accessed by removing of the absorber-2
- The half-chambers are grouped in blocks of 3. (?)
- The beam-pipe consists of several elements coupled with vacuum flanges
- Chamber suspension system enabling :
  - Chamber movements in work/service positions
  - Chamber shape correction
- Ground floor used for services and electronics
- Gangways along the walls

# Integration – first considerations

Half-chambers are bound in blocks of 3

- The inserting/removing procedure is simpler
- Better stiffness
- Deformations (non-planarity) could be measured/corrected outside

individual access – in servicing position

A half-chamber (a set of "small" detectors) could be calibrated with thin X-ray beam mounted on high precision XY device: all offsets and mutual rotations with respect of the GMS sensors will be known

### **R&D** plans for nearest future

- To try to develop bulk micromegas in Russia
- To test the detectors with alpha source (5.5 MeV)
- To optimize the gas (signal shape and discharges)
- To build a prototype with resistive electrodes
- To develop the anode PCB close to the required one
- To build a classical GEM prototype
- To develop the detector design and integration

### Conclusions

• The tested micromegas has been tested with 2 gas mixtures and 2 gap sizes; it works as expected

- All detectors of interest can work in MUCH conditions, the choice is not evident
- Several options for the chamber design and integration should be studied; integration in case of MUCH has special importance.

• We prefer to have the first chambers **outside the magnet**, however existing design of MUCH is also feasible. The goal is to minimize number of movements.

• The design of MUCH should be done **in tight contact** with the design of the Dipole **magnet**, **beam pipe** and **RICH** 

Rui di Oliveira (CERN):

Maximum size possible with existing equipments in low volume:

## → GEM : 1400mm x 500mm foil – 1350mm x 450mm active area

- → Micromegas : 550mm x 1000mm
- → THGEM : 600mm x 500mm

# Thank you

