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Gaseous Tracking Detectors: From Basic Ideas to Novel Detector Concepts Maxim Titov, CEA Saclay, France

MWPC /

Drift Chamber

1 mm

Outline of the Lecture:

Introduction: The History of Particle Detection
 Gaseous detector family
 Multi-wire proportional (MWPC) and drift chambers, time projection chamber (TPC)
 Novel Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detectors
 MPGD Applications
 Future Trends

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To do a <u>HEP experiment</u>, one needs:



A theory:



Mary Gaillard

Murray Gell-Mann



Clear and easy understandabl e drawings

O. Ullaland/2006



and a cafeteria

and a tunnel for the accelerator and magnets and stuff





Physicists to operate detector/analyze data



and a Nobel prize



the gaseous detectors O. Ullaland/2006

Tracking Detectors: History and Trends

Detect and reconstruct the trajectory of charged of charged particles:

- Determine direction and momentum
 Minimize the distortion of the trajectory(as little material as possible)
- Decay time (lifetime, flavor tagging)
- II. Gaseous Detectors:
- Wire Chambers, RPC, TPC
- Micro-Pattern Gas Detectors



I. History of "Tracking Detectors":

- Geiger Counter
- Cloud chamber
- Nuclear emulsion
- Bubble chamber
- ✤ … and many others
 - III. Solid State (Si) Detectors:
 - Microstrip/Pixel Detectors
 - 3D technology and integration



HEP Experiments: Increasing Challenges e: 0.1 ns 11

Particle Interactions with Matter

All interactions of particles with matter involve energy loss, that is seen as either: → Ionization, Scintillation light, Cerenkov light, ...

Charged particle interaction with matter → energy (kinetic) loss by Coulomb interaction with the atoms/electrons :

■ Excitation : the atom (or molecule) is excited to a higher level atom* → atom + γ
 low energy photons of de-excitation
 → light detection

Ionization : the electron is ejected from the atom electron / ion pair

→ charge detection

Instead of ionization/excitation real photon can be produced under certain conditions

➔ Cherenkov or Transition radiation

The History of Instrumentation is VERY Entertaining

- ✤ A look at the history of instrumentation in particle physics
 - → complementary view on the history of particle physics, which is traditionally told from a theoretical point of view
- The importance and recognition of inventions in the field of instrumentation is proven by the fact that
 - → several Nobel Prices in physics were awarded mainly or exclusively for the development of detection technologies

Nobel Prizes in instrumentation ("tracking concepts"):

- ✤ 1927: C.T.R. Wilson, Cloud Chamber
- 1960: Donald Glaser, Bubble Chamber
- 1992: Georges Charpak, Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber

History of Particle Detection







Image Detectors (Cloud Chamber, Bubble Chamber)





Can be seen outside the Microcosm Exhibition

First Tracking Detector: Wilson Chamber Cloud chamber (1911 by Charles) Prize in Physics 1927

Flux of particles

Allow water to evaporate in an enclosed container to the point of saturation and then lower the pressure

 \rightarrow over-saturated volume of air





Discovery of a Positron e+ from Cosmic Rays

1932 C.D. Anderson :

- Particle with positive curvature and minimum ionisation (droplets size)
- Track length is at least 10 times greater than the possible length of a proton path of this curvature

Energy loss in a 6 mm of Pb: compatible with that of electron

 <u>Hypothesis (discovery !) :</u>
 ▶ particle with mass ~m_e and charge +1, the positron

✤ First anti-particle



FIG. 1. A 63 million volt positron $(H_{\rho}=2.1\times10^{4} \text{ gauss-cm})$ passing through a 6 mm lead plate and emerging as a 23 million volt positron $(H_{\rho}=7.5\times10^{4} \text{ gauss-cm})$. The length of this latter path is at least ten times greater than the possible length of a proton path of this curvature.

Discovery of the positron by Cloud Chamber (1932 by Carl Anderson, Noble Prize 1936)

Bubble Chamber

1952 by Donald Glaser, Noble Prize 1960 (4.8 x 1.85 m²) chamber with liquid (H₂) at boiling point ("superheated"

Similar principle as cloud chamber:

- Instead of supersaturating a gas with a vapor one would superheat the liquid.
- ➤ A particle leave a trail of ions along its path → make a liquid boil, and form gas bubbles around ions

was used for discovery of the "neutral current" (1973 by Gargamelle Collaboration, no Noble Prize)



electron



Bubble Chamber

• <u>Advantages:</u>

liquid (hydrogen) is BOTH detector medium AND target

high precision (~ 5 μm)

Disadvantages:

- NO TRIGGER -> has to be in superheated state when particle is entering

LOW RATE CAPABILITY Need FASTER detector (electronics !)



Classical Tracking Detector - Bubble Chamber

Particle colliding with proton in liquid hydrogen Look through photos to understand what happened!

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For DATA ANALYSIS one has to take HUGE NUMBER of PICTURES on film:

• Many people employed - film needs to be developed, shipped to institutes and optically scanned for interesting events

Social Aspects of the « Bubble Chamber » Era

Mirror

Scanning table (1972)

Films (multiple views) and projection system

scanning often done by young "scanning girls" (students)... ...who later got married with the physicists...

History of Gaseous Detectors





Gaseous Detectors: Why do we use gas medium ?

Three states of matter: Solid, Liquid, Gas – why use Gas as a medium for ionization ?

* Effectively quite light in terms of gm/cm², requirement for reducing multiple scattering in particle physics

* Few other technologies can easily realize detectors with as large a sensitive area as gas-filled devices

* Gas-filled detectors are relatively cheap in terms of \$ per unit area/volume

* There are optimized gas mixtures for charged particles detection (high energy and nuclear physics), X-rays (synchrotron physics, astronomy) and neutrons (neutron scattering, national security)

* Electron transport characteristics are favorable and well characterized

***** Gas gain, *M* (electron multiplication factor), can be achieved, over many orders of magnitude (large dynamic range)

* Ionization collection or fluorescence emission can form the signal

Schematic Principle of Gas Detectors

TOTAL IONIZATION:

- Primary electron-ion pairs
- Clusters **
- Delta-electrons

Statistics of primary ionization:

Poisson: $P_k^n = \frac{n^k}{k!} e^{-n}$

n: average k: actual number



Ionization energy Average energy/ion pair Average number of primary ion pairs [per cm] Average number of ion pairs [per cm]



δ-electrons lead to secondary ionization and limit spatial resolution; typical length scale of secondary ionization: 10 μm. Example: kinetic energy: Tkin = 1 keV; gas: Isobutane > range: R = 20 μm ... [using R [g/cm²] = 0.71 (T_{kin})^{1.72} [MeV]; valid for T_{kin} < 100 keV]

| Gas | <z></z> | ρ [g/cm³] | Ei [eV] | W _i [eV] | dE/dx [keV/cm] | n _p [cm ⁻¹] | n⊤ [cm ⁻¹] |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| He | 2 | 1.66·10 ^{_4} | 24.6 | 41 | 0.32 | 5.9 | 7.8 |
| Ar | 18 | 1.66 ⋅ 10-3 | 15.8 | 27 | 2.44 | 29.4 | 94 |
| CH ₄ | 19 | 6.7 · 10-4 | 13.1 | 28 | 1.48 | 18 | 53 |
| C ₄ H ₁₀ | 34 | 2.42·10 ⁻³ | 10.6 | 23 | 4.50 | 46 | 195 |

 $N_{TOTAL} \sim 100$ e-ion pairs (typical number for 1 cm of gas) is impossible to detect \rightarrow the typical noise of very modern pixel ASICs is ~ 100e-Need to increase number of e-ion pairs \rightarrow ... but \odot ... how ???

Drift and Diffusion of Electrons / lons in the Gas

ELECTRIC FIELD $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$: THERMAL DIFFUSION



Maxwell energy distribution: $F(\varepsilon) = C\sqrt{\varepsilon} e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{KT}}; \quad <\varepsilon > \sim kT \sim 0.025 eV$

RMS of charge diffusion: $\sigma_x = \sqrt{2Dt}$

ELECTRIC FIELD E > 0: CHARGE TRANSPORT AND DIFFUSION



Drift and Diffusion of Electrons in the Electric Field

→ balance between energy acquired from the field and collision losses

Drift velocity and diffusion of electrons are <u>gas mixture dependent</u>

Electron drift velocity (w)
$$w = (\tau : mean \ collision \ time)$$

 $\sigma < \epsilon >^{1/2}$

 $w = \frac{e}{2m} E \tau$

(σ –total scattering cross section;<ε> - mean electron energy)



Electric field alters the diffusion \rightarrow it is necessary to introduce two diffusion coefficients σ_{L} , σ_{T}





Ion Transport in Electric Fields

Ion Drift Velocity (w): almost linear function of reduced field E/P $m = w (E/P)^{-1}$

Mobility (m) ~ constant for a given gas at fixed P,T (ions remain thermal up to the very high fields)

| GAS | ION | µ⁺ (cm² V⁻¹ s⁻¹) |
|--------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Ar | Ar+ | 1.51 |
| CH ₄ | CH_4^+ | 2.26 |
| Ar-CH ₄ 80-20 | CH_4^+ | 1.61 |

IONS DIFFUSION (Einstein's law):

 $\frac{D}{\mu} = \frac{KT}{e} \qquad \sigma_x = \sqrt{2Dt}$ $\sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{2KT}{e}} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Linear diffusion is} \\ \text{independent of the} \\ \text{nature of ions and gas !} \end{array}$



E. McDaniel and E. Mason, The mobility and diffusion of ions in gases (Wiley 1973) G. Schultz, G. Charpak, F. Sauli, Rev. Physique Appliquee 12, 67 (1977)

Avalanche Multiplication in Gaseous Detectors

Single Wire Proportional Counter:





Strong increase of E-field close to the wire

electron gains more and more energy

> Above some threshold (>10 kV/cm)

electron energy high enough to ionize other gas molecules newly created electrons also start ionizing

- Avalanche effect: exponential increase of electrons (and ions)
- Measurable signal on wire

organic substances responsible for "quenching"(stopping) the discharge



Electrons



$$M(x) = \frac{n}{n_0} = e^{\alpha x}$$

Modes of Operation of Gas Detectors

Ionization mode:

full charge collection no multiplication; gain ≈ 1

Proportional mode:

multiplication of ionization signal proportional to ionization measurement of dE/dx secondary avalanches need quenching; gain $\approx 10^4 - 10^5$

Limited proportional mode: [saturated, streamer]

strong photoemission requires strong quenchers or pulsed HV; gain ≈ 10¹⁰

Geiger mode:

massive photoemission; full length of the anode wire affected; discharge stopped by HV cut





Spark Chamber



Beam of the energetic protons to produce π -mesons showers

 \rightarrow Decaying into muons and neutrinos

Only neutrino could pass through a 5,000ton13-m thick steel wall into gas detector ("Spark Counter")

A tiny fraction of neutrinos react in the detector (90 layers of aluminum plates, 10 tons) giving rise to muon spark trails \rightarrow existence of muon-neutrinos.

The Spark Chamber was developed in the early 60ies.

Schwartz, Steinberger and Lederman used it in discovery of the muon neutrino



Discovery of Muon Neutrino by Spark Chamber (1962 by Lederman, Schwartz, Stainberger; Noble Prize 1988)



Melvin Schwartz in front of the apark chamber used to discover the muon neutrino



Resolution of MWPCs limited by wire spacing better resolution \rightarrow shorter wire spacing \rightarrow more (and more) wires...

1968: Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber (MWPC)

NUCLEAR INSTRUMENTS AND METHODS 62 (1968) 262-268; @ NORTH-HOLLAND PUBLISHING CO.

THE USE OF MULTIWIRE PROPORTIONAL COUNTERS TO SELECT AND LOCALIZE CHARGED PARTICLES

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CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

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Properties of chambers made of planes of independent wires placed between two plane electrodes have been investigated. A direct voltage is applied to the wires. It has been checked that each wire works as an independent proportional counter down to separations of 0.1 cm between wires.

Counting rates of 10¹/wire are easily reached; time resolutions

1. Introduction

Proportional counters with electrodes consisting of many parallel wires connected in parallel have been used for some years, for special applications. We have investigated the properties of chambers made up of a plane of independent wires placed between two plane electrodes. Our observations show that such chambers offer properties that can make them more advantageous than wire chambers or scintillation hodoscopes for many applications.

2. Construction

Wires of stainless steel, 4×10^{-3} cm in diameter, are stretched between two planes of stainless-steel mesh, made from wires of 5×10^{-3} cm diameter, 5×10^{-2} cm apart. The distance between the mesh and the wires is 0.75 cm. We studied the properties of chambers with wire separation a = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3 and 1.0 cm. A strip of metal placed at 0.1 cm from the wires, at the same potential (fig. 1), plays the same role as the guard rings



 Fig. 1. Some details of the construction of the multiwire chambers.
 A copper shield protects the wires at their output from the chamber and contains the solid state amplifiers.

of the order of 100 nsee have been obtained in some gases; it is

possible to measure the position of the tracks between the wires

using the time delay of the pulses; energy resolution comparable

to the one obtained with the best cylindrical chambers is ob-

in cylindrical proportional chambers. It protects the wires against breakdown along the dielectrics. It is

served; the chambers operate in strong magnetic fields.

Fig. 2. Equipotentials in a chamber. Wires of 4×10^{-8} cm diameter, 0.3 cm separation, and 1.5 cm total thickness. 20 V applied between the wires and the external mesh. Results from an analogic method.

ENERGY RESOLUTION ON 5.9 KeV:



DEPENDENCE OF COLLECTION TIME FROM TRACK'S DISTANCE:



DRIFT CHAMBERS

G. Charpak, R. Bouclier, T. Bressan, J. Favier and C. Zupancic: The use of Multiwire Proportional Counters to select and localize Charged Particles, Nuc. Instr. and Meth. 62(1968)262

First Public Presentation of the Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber

colloque international sur l'électronique mucléaire VERSAILLES, 10-13 September 1968 international symposium on nuclear electronics

Chambres à Etincelles Spark chambers



Scientific Secretary M. FEUVRAIS Faculté des Sciences - Lyon (France)



First Large Experiment with MWPCs



1972-1983: SPLIT FIELD MAGNET DETECTOR 40 LARGE AREA MWPCs AT CERN ISR:

Multi-Wire Proportional Chamber (MWPC): Electronics Imaging Device



The 1st "Large Wire Chamber":

Georges Charpak with Fabio Sauli, Jean Claude Santiard

The invention revolutionized particle detection and High Energy Physics, which passed from the manual to the electronic era.



MWPC: 1968 by Georges Charpak; Noble Prize 1992

A Tribute to Georges Charpak

Four Seas Conference: « Physique-sans-Frontières »

- * "Physique-sans-Frontières" (PSF) was born in 1992, during the war in Bosnia when many scientists felt the necessity to "do something" for their colleagues of South East of Europe
- Georges CHARPAK has kindly accepted to preside "Physics-without-Borders" and supported the effort of the association to set up the "Four-Seas-Conference"
- The 1st Trieste-95 conference was a real success, despite the renewed war in Bosnia : 150 physicists, half of them from the South-Eastern Europe; all the countries of the Balkanic area were represented, despite the existing state of war between some of them



A Tribute to Georges Charpak

Four Seas Conference: Physics in Service of Mankind

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2014: CERN is celebrating "60 Years of Science for Peace!" Five conferences were organized (Trieste-95, Sarajevo-98, Thessaloniki-02, Istanbul-04, Iasi, Romania-07) to give opportunity for scientists, mainly the youngest ones, to hear about the most recent developments in sciences and technologies

Served as a way to express the solidarity of the scientific community with all those who, under difficult conditions, seek to keep alive the diverse intellectual and cultural links that constitute the essence of our civilization

Drift Chambers

FIRST DRIFT CHAMBER OPERATION (H. WALENTA ~ 1971) HIGH ACCURACY DRIFT CHAMBERS (Charpak-Breskin-Sauli ~ 1973-75)

THE ELECTRONS DRIFT TIME PROVIDES THE DISTANCE OF THE TRACK FROM THE ANODE:

ANODE FIELD

Measure drift time t_D [need to know t₀; fast scintillator, beam timing]

Determine location of original ionization:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x_0 \pm v_D \cdot t_D \\ y &= y_0 \pm v_D \cdot t_D \end{aligned}$$

If drift velocity changes along path: $x = \int_0^{t_D} v_D \, dt$

In any case: Need well-defined drift field ...

The spatial resolution is not limited to the cell size



 $\sigma_x^2 = \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{64N^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x^2}}_{1^{\text{at}} \text{ ionization statistics}} + \underbrace{\frac{2D}{v_d} \cdot x}_{\text{diffusion}} + \frac{\sigma_{\text{const}}^2}{\frac{1}{2}}$

Factors affecting spatial resolution:

- Distribution of primary ionization
- Diffusion
- Readout electronics
- Electric field (gas amplification)
- Range of 'delta electrons'



"Enormous Wire Chambers": Wide-Spread Tool in HEP for > 40 Years

Interior of OPAL drift chamber Length: 4 m; R = 185 cm; 159 measurements per track [σ_{rp} = 135 µm, σ_z = 60 mm]

Nobel Prize: W, Z - Discovery at UA1/UA2 (1983)

UA1 used <u>the largest imaging drift</u> <u>chamber of its day</u> (5.8 m long, 2.3 m in diameter)

It can now be seen in the CERN Microcosm Exhibition Particle trajectories in the CERN-UA1 3D Wire Chamber Discovery of W and Z bosons C. Rubbia & S. Van der Meer Nobel 1984


Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

The TPC is a gas-filled cylindrical chamber with 1 or 2 endplates (D. Nygren, 1974)







Separate two regions:

- Long drift along z ~ 1-3 m;
- Amplification at the end plate

Challenges: Long drift time; limited rate capability



TPC Characteristics

• Track point recorded in 3-D

(2-D channels in x-y) x (1-D channel in $z = v_{drift} x t_{drift}$)

• Particle identification by dE/dx

long ionization track, segmented in 100-200 measurements



- LBL STAR TPC - at BNL RHIC ion collider

Powerfull tool for:

- Lepton Colliders
- Modern heavy ion collisions
- Liquid and high pressure noble gases for neutrino and dark matter physics program



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|---|-----------------------------------|------------|----------|------------------|
| | | STAR | ALICE | ILC |
| 1 | Inner radius (cm) | 50 | 85 | 32 |
| | Outer radius (cm) | 200 | 250 | 170 |
| | Length (cm) | 2 * 210 | 2 * 250 | 2 * 250 |
| | Charge collection | wire | wire | MPGD |
| 2 | Pad size (mm) | 2.8 * 11.5 | 4 * 7.5 | 2*6 |
| | | 6.2 * 19.5 | 6*10(15) | |
| - | Total # pads | 140000 | 560000 | 1200000 |
| | Magnetic field [T] | 0.5 | 0.5 | 4 |
| | Gas Mixture | Ar/CH4 | Ne/CO2 | Ar/CH4/CO2 |
| | | (90:10) | (90:10) | (93:5:2) |
| | Drift Field [V/cm] | 135 | 400 | 230 |
| 2 | Total drift time (μs) | 38 | 88 | 50 |
| | Diffusion σ _T (μm/√cm) | 230 | 220 | 70 |
| | Diffusion σ∟(μm/√cm) | 360 | 220 | 300 |
| | Resolution in $r\phi(\mu m)$ | 500-2000 | 300-2000 | 70-150 |
| | Resolution in $rz(\mu m)$ | 1000-3000 | 600-2000 | 500-800 |
| | dE/dx resolution [%] | 7 | 7 | ·<5 |
| | Tracking efficiency[%] | 80 | 95 | 98 |

Some Detectors in Particle and Ions Physics using a TPC

PEP4 (SLAC)



| TPC Reference | | |
|---------------|---|--|
| PEP4 | PEP-PROPOSAL-004, Dec 1976 | |
| TOPAZ | Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A252 (1986) 423 | |
| ALEPH | Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A294 (1990) 121 | |
| DELPHI | Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A323 (1992) 209-212 | |
| NA49 | Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A430 (1999) 210 | |
| STAR | IEEE Trans. on Nucl. Sci. Vol. 44, No. 3 (1997) | |

STAR (LBL)



TOPAZ (KEK)







Time Projection Chamber in the ALICE/CERN Experiment



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Gaseous Detectors in LHC Experiments

| | Vertex | lnner Tracker | PID/ photo- det. | EM CALO | HAD CALO | MUON Track | MUON Trigger |
|--|--------|------------------|--|------------|-------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ATLAS | - | TRD (straws) | - | - | - | MDT (drift tubes), CSC | RPC, TGC (thin gap chambers) |
| CMS TOTEM | - | - | - | - | - | Drift tubes, CSC GEM | RPC, CSC GEM |
| LHCb | - | Straw Tubes | - | - | - | MWPC | MWPC, GEM |
| ALICE | - | TPC (MWPC) | TOF(MRPC), PMD, HPMID (RICH-pad chamber), TRD (MWPC) | - | - | Muon pad chambers | RPC |
| ALICE | | | Straw tu | Jbes | | CMS CS | |
| Gaseous detectors are still the first choice whenever the large- | | | | | | | |

area coverage with low material budget is required

Gaseous Detectors in LHC Experiments



ALICE Multi-Gap RPC: Timing Resolution

• Relevant scale in HEP: t ~ L(m)/c ~ o(ns)

 $T_1 - T_2 = \frac{L}{c} (\frac{1}{\beta_1} - \frac{1}{\beta_2}) = \frac{L}{c} (\sqrt{1 + m_1^2/p^2} - \sqrt{1 + m_2^2/p^2}) \cong (m_1^2 - m_2^2) L/2cp^2$

- Traditional technique:
 - Scintillator + PMT $\sim o$ (100 psec)
- Breakthrough with a spark discharge in gas
 - Pestov counter \rightarrow ALICE MRPC ~ 50*psec*

Multi-Gap Resistive Plate Chamber: Basic Principle



Stack of equally-spaced resistive plates with voltage applied to external surfaces (all internal plates electrically floating)

Pickup electrodes on external surfaces - (any movement of charge in any gap induces signal on external pickup strips)

Internal plates take correct voltage - initially due to electrostatics but kept at correct voltage by flow of electrons and positive ions feedback principle that dictates equal gain in all gas gaps

C. Williams, CERN Detector Seminar "ALICE Time of Flight Detectors": <u>http://indico.cern.ch/conference</u> <u>Display.py?confId=149006</u>



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ALICE-TOF has 10 gaps (two stacks of 5 gas gaps);



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ATLAS Muon Detector: Modern Large-Volume Spectrometer



Why do Tracking Detectors Change ?



Higher Rate, enormous occupancy: 1D easily saturated \rightarrow 2D \rightarrow 3D

➢ <u>Silicon detectors:</u>
Strips → Pixels (2D) → 3D det-electr. integ.

▶ <u>Gaseous detectors</u>
 Wire Chamber → Wireless MPGD (2D)
 → InGrid/Timepix (3D)



Advances in Micro-electronics & Etching Technology → Micro pattern Gaseous Detectors



Micro-Strip Gas Chamber (MSGC)

MWPC





Typical distance between wires limited to 1 mm due to mechanical and electrostatic forces

Typical distance between anodes 200 mm thanks to semiconductor etching technology

A. Oed, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A263 (1988) 351.

MSGC

1.2

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

0

 10^{2}

Relative gain

x-ray

MSGC

Rate (mm⁻².s⁻¹

 10^{7}

charged

charge overcome by increased

±∎∎,

 $A=3x10^5e$

 10^{4}

 10^{3}

amplifying cell granularity WPC-MSGC Rates

MWPC

10⁵

10⁶





MSGC Performance

EXCELLENT RATE CAPABILITY, SPATIAL AND MULTI-TRACK RESOLUTION



RATE CAPABILITY > 10⁶/mm² s SPACE ACCURACY ~ 40 μm rms 2-TRACK RESOLUTION ~ 400 μm



ENERGY RESOLUTION ~11% for 5.9 keV





MSGC Discharge Problems

we have been in the

Discharge is very fast (~ns) Difficult to predict or prevent

MICRODISCHARGES

Owing to very small distance between anode and cathode the transition from proportional mode to streamer can be followed by spark, discharge, if the avalanche size exceeds RAETHER'S LIMIT $Q \sim 10^7 - 10^8$ electrons



FULL BREAKDOWN

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OW, Faidley - Weatherstock Inc.

Micro-Strip Gas Chamber (MSGC)



Telescope of 32 MSGCs tested at PSI in Nov99 (CMS Milestone)



The D20 diffractometer MSGC is working since Sept 2000 1D localisation 48 MSGC plates (8 cm x 15 cm) Substrate: Schott S8900 Angular coverage : 160° x 5,8° Position resolution : 2.57 mm (0,1°) 5 cm gap; 1.2 bar CF4 + 2.8 bars 3He



DIRAC 4 planes MSGC-GEM Planes 10x10 cm²

HERA-B Inner Tracker MSGC-GEM detectors $R_{min} \sim 6 \text{ cm}$ $\Rightarrow 10^6 \text{ particles/cm}^2 \text{ s}$ 300 µm pitch 184 chambers: max 25x25 cm² $\sim 10 \text{ m}^2$; 140.000 channels



Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detector Technologies for Future Physics Projects

- Micromegas
- > GEM
- Thick-GEM, Hole-Type and RETGEM
- MPDG with CMOS pixel ASICs ("InGrid")
- Micro-Pixel Chamber (μPIC)



Micromegas







THGEM



MHSP









GEM (Gas Electron Multiplier)

Thin metal-coated polymer foil chemically pierced by a high density of holes

A difference of potentials of ~ 500V is applied between the two GEM electrodes.

→ the primary electrons released by the ionizing particle, drift towards the holes where the high electric field triggers the electron multiplication process.





- Electrons are collected on patterned readout board.
- A fast signal can be detected on the lower GEM electrode for triggering or energy discrimination.
- > All readout electrodes are at ground potential.
 - **F**. Sauli, Nucl. Instrum. Methods A386(1997)531 F. Sauli, http://www.cern.ch/GDD

MPGD Simulation Tools (Avalanche Simulation in GEM)



Animation of the avalanche process (monitor in ns-time electron/ion drifting and multiplication in GEM):

electrons are blue, ions are red, the GEM mesh is orange

- ANSYS: field model
- Magboltz 8.9.6: relevant cross sections of electronmatter interactions
- Garfeld++: simulate electron avalanches



http://cern.ch/garfieldpp/examples/gemgain

Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM)

F. Sauli, NIM A386(1997) 531; F. Sauli, http://www.cern.ch/GDD



Full decoupling of amplification stage (GEM) and readout stage (PCB, anode)



Amplification and readout structures can be optimized independently !







Totem



NA49-future



Mixed Totem

Multiple GEM Structures

Cascaded GEMs achieve larger gains and safer operation in harsh environments



MICro MEsh GAseous Structure (MICROMEGAS)

Micromesh Gaseous Chamber: micromesh supported by 50-100 µm insulating pillars

Multiplication (up to 10⁵ or more) takes place between the anode and the mesh and the charge is collected on the anode (one stage)

Small gap: fast collection of ions



Y. Giomataris et al, NIM A376(1996)29

MICROMEGAS

Y. Giomataris et al, NIM A376(1996)29



Parallel plate multiplication in thin gaps between a fine mesh and anode plate



Piccolo Micromegas in Casaccia Reactor

Micromegas:

CAST readout:



"Bulk" Micromegas:

80 µm



<u>2 mm</u>



Micromegas Performance



Thick-GEM Multipliers (THGEM)

Simple & Robust → Manufactured by standard PCB techniques of precise drilling in G-10 (and other materials) and Cu etching



- Effective **single-electron** detection (high gas gain ~10⁵ (>10⁶) @ _____ **single (double**) THGEM)
- Few-ns RMS time resolution
- Sub-mm position resolution
- MHz/mm² rate capability
- Cryogenic operation: OK
- Gas: molecular and noble gases
- Pressure: 1mbar few bar





Advancing Concepts: Cylindrical Tracking Detectors

Thin Curved Micromegas for CLAS12

Cylindrical GEM for KLOE2 Inner Tracker:



S. Aune, Proc. of the MPGD Conf., Crete, June 2009

A. Balla et al., 2009 IEEE NSS/MIC Conference Record.

MPGD-Based Gaseous Photomultipliers (GPM)

GEM Gaseous Photomultipliers (GEM+CsI photocathode) to detect single photoelectrons

Multi-GEM Gaseous Photomultipliers: Largely reduced photon feedback (can operate in pure noble gas & CF₄) Fast signals [ns] → good timing Excellent localization response Able to operate at cryogenic T



Single Photon Position Accuracy: 600 200 µm Counts Intrinsic accuracy 500 $\sigma(RMS) \sim 55 \ \mu m$ 400 300 *FWHM* ~160 μm 200 Beam ~ 100 µm 100 0 3 4 Center of gravity (strips)

E.Nappi, NIMA471 (2001) 18; T. Meinschad et al, NIM A535 (2004) 324; D.Mormann et al., NIMA504 (2003) 93

Sealed GEM-based Gaseous Photomultiplier

Semi-transparent CsI photocathode: towards large area, position-sensitive photomultipliers



A. Breskin et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A478(2002)225 F. Sauli, http://www.cern.ch/GDD Number of advantages over vacuum photomultipliers: insensitivity to magnetic field, large active area, excellent localization response, flat-panel geometry and low cost

Single photo-electron signals:



MPGD-Based Cryogenic Avalanche Detectors: Concept Gallery



Why Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detectors are so attractive ...

- ➢ High Rate Capability
- High Gain
- High Space Resolution
- > Good Time Resolution
- Good Energy Resolution
- Excellent Radiation Hardness
- Ion Backflow Reduction
- Photon Feedback Reduction

One of the recent reviews describing the progress of the MPGD technologies:

Modern Physics Letters A Vol. 28, No. 13 (2013) 1340022 (25 pages) © World Scientific Publishing Company DOI: 10.1142/S021773231340022





MICRO-PATTERN GASEOUS DETECTOR TECHNOLOGIES AND RD51 COLLABORATION



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Historical Roadmap of the MPGD Technologies and RD51 Collaboration





- Many of the Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detector Technologies were introduced before the RD51 Collaboration was founded
- With more techniques becoming available (or affordable), new detection concepts are being introduced and the existing ones are substantially improved

RD51 – Development of Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detector Technologies



The main objective is to advance MPGD technological development and associated electronic-readout systems, for applications in basic and applied research"



http://rd51-public.web.cern.ch/rd51-public

World-wide Collaboration for the MPGD Developments → RD51 (91 institute, > 500 people):

- Large Scale R&D program to <u>advance MPGD Technologies</u>
- Access to <u>the MPGD "know-how</u>"
- Foster <u>Industrial Production</u>

A <u>fundamental boost</u> is offered <u>by RD51</u>: from isolate MPGD developers to a world-wide net

1998



Advances in photolithography → Large Area MPGDs (~ m² unit size)



MPGD Technologies for Energy Frontier (HL-LHC, LC)

Ongoing R&D Projects using MPGDs in the framework of HEP Experiments

| | Vertex | lnner Tracker | PID/ photo- det. | EM CALO | HAD CALO | MUON Track | MUON Trigger |
|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| ATLAS | GOSSIP/ InGrid | GOSSIP/ InGrid | | | | Micromegas | Micromegas |
| CMS | | | | | | GEM | GEM |
| ALICE | | TPC (GEM) | VHPMID (CsI- THGEM) | | | | |
| Linear Collider | | TPC(MM, GEM, InGrid) | | | DHCAL (MM,GEM, THGEM) | | |



MPGDs: Technology Developments Highlights

MM for the ATLAS Muon System Upgrade:

R&D Started in 2007 within the RD51 collaboration:

Standard Bulk MM suffers from limited efficiency at high rates due to discharges induced dead time:





ATLAS small wheels upgrade project resistive MicroMegas prototype (~1 m²)

◆ During LS2, a New Small Wheel containing
 ~ 1000 m² of resistive MM will be installed in
 ATLAS → the largest MM system, ever built

FOSTER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION NEEDS

GEMs for the CMS Muon System Upgrade:

R&D Started in 2009 within the RD51 collaboration:

Single-mask GEM technology (instead of double-mask) → Reduces cost /allows production of large-area GEM

Self-stretching technique: assembly time reduction from 3 days \rightarrow 2 hours



 During the LHC End-Year stop of 2016/2017, two GEM super-chamber demonstrators will be installed

MPGD-based Time Projection Chambers: Technology Highlights

2nd HEP Revolution: TPC proposal for PEP4/LBL (1976)



| | STAR | ALICE | ILC |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Inner radius (cm) | 50 | 85 | 32 |
| Outer radius (cm) | 200 | 250 | 170 |
| Length (cm) | 2 * 210 | 2 * 250 | 2 * 250 |
| Charge collection | wire | wire | MPGD |
| Pad size (mm) | 2.8 * 11.5 6.2 * 19.5 | 4 * 7.5 6*10(15) | 2*6 |
| Total # pads | 140000 | 560000 | 1200000 |
| Magnetic field [T] | 0.5 | 0.5 | 4 |
| Gas Mixture | Ar/CH4 | Ne/CO2 | Ar/CH4/CO2 |
| | (90:10) | (90:10) | (93:5:2) |
| Drift Field [V/cm] | 135 | 400 | 230 |
| Total drift time (µs) | 38 | 88 | 50 |
| Diffusion σ _T (μm/√cm) | 230 | 220 | 70 |
| Diffusion o _L (µm/√cm) | 360 | 220 | 300 |
| Resolution in $r\phi(\mu m)$ | 500-2000 | 300-2000 | 70-150 |
| Resolution in rz (µm) | 1000-3000 | 600-2000 | 500-800 |
| dE/dx resolution [%] | 7 | 7 | ['] <5 |
| Tracking efficiency[%] | 80 | 95 | 98 |

ILCTPC with MPGD-Readout: (spatial resolution < 100 μm @ 5T)

- Laser-etched GEMs 100µm thick ('Asian GEMs')
- Resistive MM with dispersive anode
- GEM + pixel readout
- InGrid (integrated Micromegas grid with pixel readout)
- Wet-etched triple GEMs

ALICE TPC Upgrade (replace MWPC with GEMs) TPC/Micromegas "Goes Resistive:



Major R&D Effort:

- 4-GEM detector to meet IB requirements
- > IB < 1%, energy: $\sigma(E)E < 12\%$ achieved
 - Continuous readout at 50 kHz (TPC – analog event pipilibe)



COMPASS RICH: Long-Term Experience, Performance and Upgrades

◆ <u>COMPASS RICH I:</u>
 ▶ 1999-2000: 8 MWPC with CsI (RD26 @ CERN)





After a long-term fight for increasing electrical stability at high rates: robust operation is not possible at gain~10⁵ because of photon feedback, space charge & sparks



beam off: stable
operation up to > 2300 V
beam on: stable operation
possible only up to ~2000 V

 2006: 4 central CsI+cathodes: remove and insert frames with MAPMTs and lense telescopes

PMTs not adequate \rightarrow only small demagnification factor allowed; 5 m² of PMTs not affordable.

✤ <u>UPGRADE OF COMPASS RICH I:</u>

MPGD-Photon Detectors are the best option

→ Micromegas +THGEM, the hybrid architecture structure, is one of the most advanced scheme:





Higher performance reached with the MM + THGEM architecture (than multiple-THGEM structures)

Advancing Concepts: Double Phase Ar LEM/TPC for Neutrino Physics

Giant Liquid Argon Charge Imaging ExpeRiment

GLACIER (hep-ph/0402110) is a proposed giant liquid argon multi-purpose next-generation underground neutrino observatory at the 100 kton scale.



produced by CERN TS/DEM group & ELTOS company (I)



"Octopuce" (8 Timepix ASICs):



PIXEL READOUT OF MPGDs – Ultimate Gas-Silicon Detector Integration




Pixel Readout of Micro-Pattern Gaseous Detectors: Ultimate Integration

Use a CMOS Pixel ASIC (w/o Si sensor), assembled below MPGDs (GEM/Micromegas), as charge collecting anode and fully integrated readout electronics for a TPC at LC



Pixel Readout of MPGDs: "InGrid" Concept

"InGrid" Concept: By means of advanced wafer processing-technology INTEGRATE MICROMEGAS amplification grid directly on top of CMOS ("Timepix") ASIC

3D Gaseous Pixel Detector \rightarrow 2D (pixel dimensions) x 1D (drift time)



"InGrid" Detector: Single Electron Response and Discharges

Observe electrons (~220) from an X-ray (5.9 keV) conversion one by one and count them in micro-TPC (6 cm drift) Provoke discharges by introducing small amount of Thorium in the Ar gas - Thorium decays to Radon 222 which emits 2 alphas of 6.3 & 6.8 MeV

\rightarrow <u>Study single electron response</u>

→ Round-shape images of discharges



P. Colas, RD51 Collab. Meet., Jun.16-17, 2009, WG2 Meeting M. Fransen, RD51 Collab. Meet., Oct.13-15, 2008, WG2 Meeting

GEM and VLSI pixel ASIC @ INFN Pisa

Direct coupling of pixellazed readout to GEM



REAL photo-electron tracks recorded by 105k ASIC

GEM pitch: 50 mm He/DME (40:60)



EXCELLENT IMAGING CAPABILITIES: Barycenter vs Conversion point reconstruction





Pixel Readout for Time Projection Chamber at the ILC or CLIC





MPGDs are foreseen as TPC readout for ILC or CLIC (size of endcaps of ~ 10 m^2):

Standard pads (1x 6 mm²): 8 rows of detector modules (17×23 cm2); 240 modules per endcap
▶ Pixel (55x 55µm²): ~100-120 chips per module
→ 25000-30000 per endcap

Potential advantages of pixel TPC (55x 55µm²): → very good point + momentum resolution → dE/dx via cluster counting → frontend electronics automatically integrated ('active endplate')

Potential concerns:

- → diffusion will limit resolution (gas!): how small is necessary?
- $\rightarrow \text{cost}$?
- \rightarrow stable operation possible ?

Demonstrate operability of the concept;
Measure & understand (details of) charge cloud

Triple-GEM Detector with Medipix2 and Timepix CMOS ASICs



ADVANTAGES: superior spatial & double track resolution; identification of δ-rays
DISADVANTAGE: charge cloud diffuses over ~ 100 pixels in 3GEM; single electron sensitivity hard to achieve; estimates ~20%(~45%) for Ar(He) mixture at gas gain 5*10⁴

Development of Large Area Detectors with Pixel Readout

Octopuce Board (8 "Ingrid" Detectors Readout Matrix (~ 3* 6 cm²)



DETECTOR and ELECTRONICS INTEGRATION FOR MILLIONS CH.:

- Truly 2D / 3D image (high rate capability)
- 2D high density readout plane (~50 mm)
- No long signal routine lines (low noise)



Pixel Readout of MPGD: Proof-of-Principle of Si-TPC



- Improved mass production of "InGrid"s (less dead area, higher yield, protection)
- Minimize field distortions in the « Octopuce » plane; work on more realisitic cooling and power pulsing
- Develop simulation chain to compare momentum resolution, double track resolution, dE/dx and pattern recognition to pad-based readout and to optimize the geometry
- Experimental dE/dx study by cluster counting using InGrid at the LAL/PHIL facility

Advancing MPGD Concepts for Future Projects

Applications :

- ➢ HEP and Nuclear Physics
- Neutrino Experiments
- Dark Matter
- Ground-based Astroparticle
- Space Experiments
- Spin-off outside HEP field

(some) experimental requirements:

HL-LHC (LHC luminosity upgrade) → radiation, pileup, backgrounds ILC

- → high precision, hermeticity Neutrino Facilities
- → sensitivity (mass, size), efficiency, purity Dark Matter
 - \rightarrow purity, low bkg, large sensitive areas



drift length [mm]

Tracking

TPC readout

UV photon detection

Neutron detection

Spin off is important key word for the HEP labs to survive ...



A Scintillating GEM for Dose Imaging in Radiotherapy



S. Fetal et al., NIMA513 (2003) 42

In the Family of Gaseous Detectors with a glorious tradition

1st Revolution: The invention of the MWPC revolutionized particle detection and HEP, which passed from the manual (optical) to the electronic era.

1908: FIRST WIRE COUNTER USED BY RUTHERFORD IN THE STUDY OF NATURAL RADIOACTIVITY



E. Rutherford and H. Geiger, Proc. Royal Soc. A81 (1908) 141

1928: GEIGER COUNTER SINGLE ELECTRON SENSITIVITY



H. Geiger and W. Müller, Phys. Zeits. 29 (1928) 839



Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1908



Walther Bothe Nobel Prize in 1954 for the "coincidence method"

1968: MULTIWIRE PROPORTIONAL CHAMBER





Nobel Prize in 1992

G. Charpak, Proc. Int. Symp. Nuclear Electronics (Versailles 10-13 Sept 1968)





➢ High rate capability ~10⁶ Hz/mm²
➢ Spatial res. ~ 30-50 µm (TRACKING)
➢ Time res. ~ 3-5 ns (TRIGGER)



Advances in photolithography → Large Area MPGDs (~ m² unit size)

