

LAMPS GEM based TPC R&D

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- Nuclear collision experiment and LAMPS at RAON
- LAMPS TPC
- Characteristics of GEM for TPC
- TPC prototype with GEM
- Test setup of TPC prototype
- Test results with positron beam and cosmic ray muons
- New design of LAMPS TPC
- Summary

Large Acceptance Multi-Purpose Spectrometer (LAMPS)
Time Projection Chamber (TPC)
Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM)



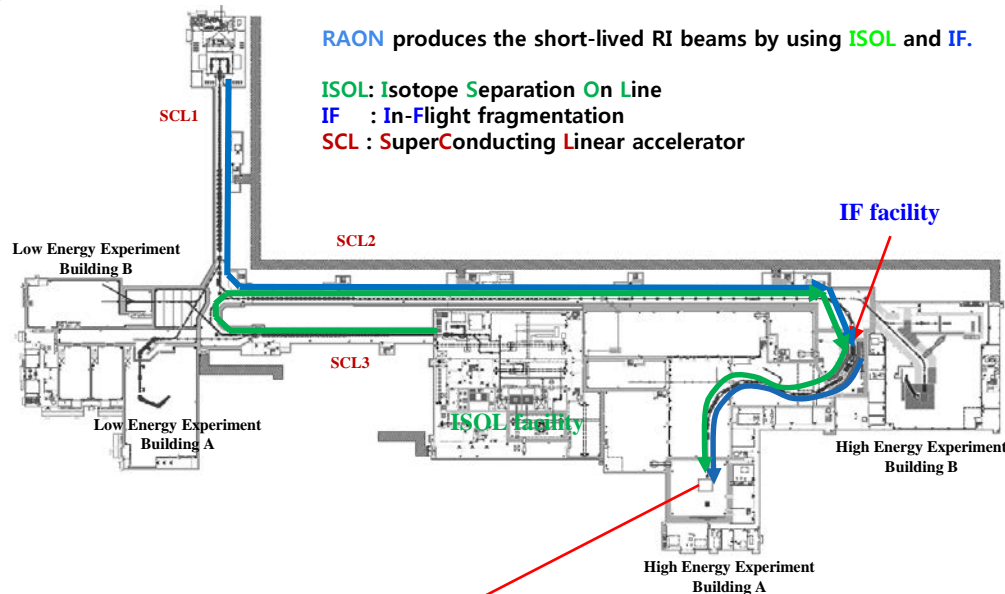
Rare isotope
Accelerator complex for
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High energy nuclear collision experiment at RAON

RAON

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Plenary talk "Status of RAON construction"
by Y.K.KWON at AFAD2018 in Jan 29 2018



Initial design concept of RAON facility

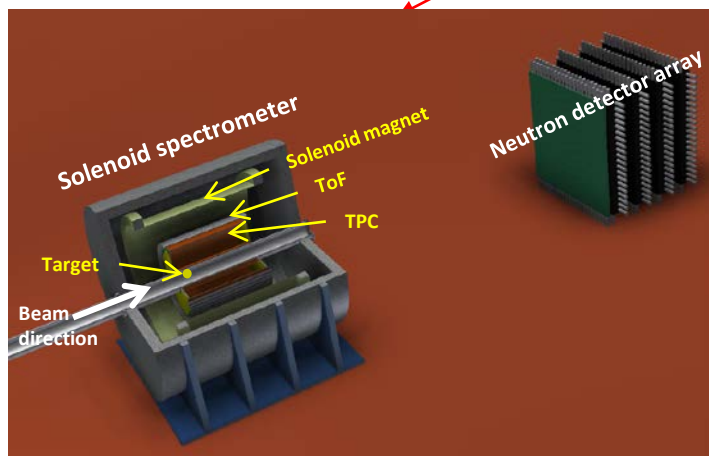
High intensity short-lived RI beams by ISOL & IF

- ISOL: direct fission of ^{238}U by 70 MeV proton
- IF: ^{238}U of 200 MeV/u (8.3 pμA)

More exotic RI beams by ISOL+IF

Stable heavy-ion beams

Schematic view of LAMPS



Goal of LAMPS

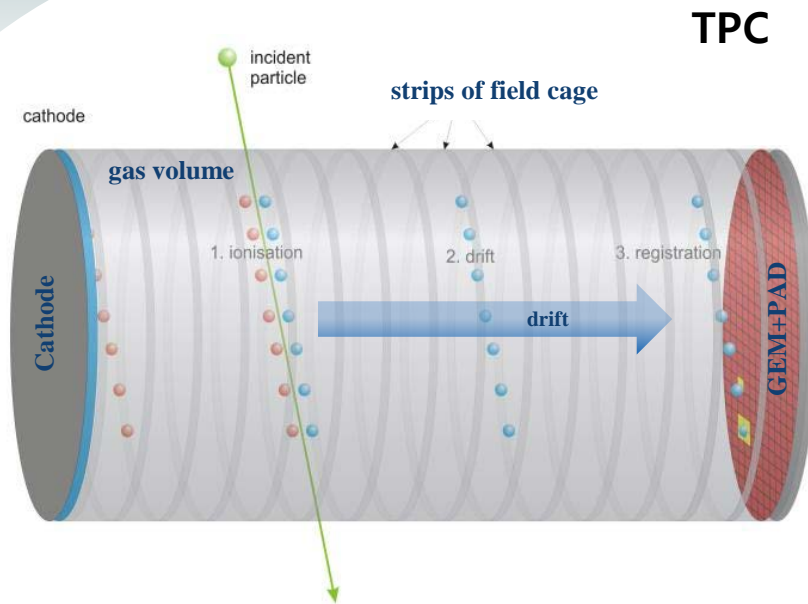
- Study of nuclear symmetry energy at supra-saturation density via heavy-ion collision experiment and nuclear reaction study

Requirements of LAMPS

- Magnetic strength (B): 0.5 T ($B_{\text{max}} \sim 1$ T)
- homogeneity of B field in TPC ($\Delta B/B$) < $\pm 1\%$
- more than 3π solid angle acceptance
- momentum (p) and particle identification (PID) of charged particles
- detection range of neutron energy: 10-300 MeV

Five institutes for LAMPS collaboration

- IBS, Korea Univ., Inha Univ., Chonnam National Univ., Chonbuk National Univ.

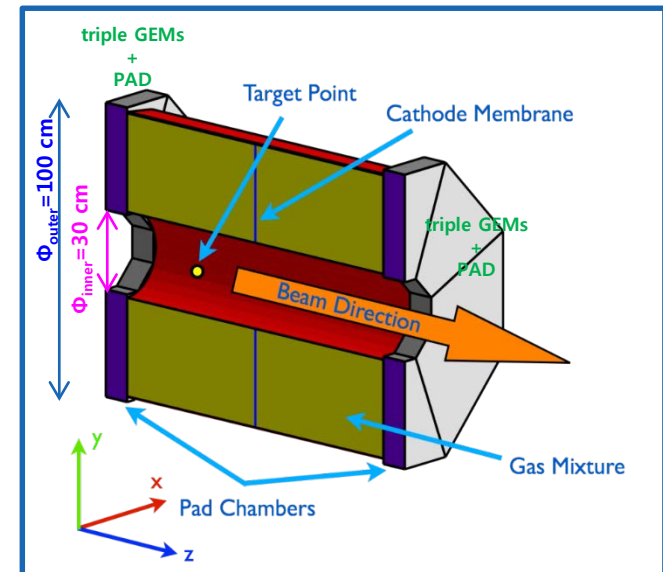


Operation of TPC

1. Incident particle ionizes gas molecular into an ion-electron pair ionization following the particle path in the gas volume.
2. Electrons drift toward triple GEMs and PAD readout.
3. Amplified electrons in GEMs are registered on PAD readout.

Requirements of LAMPS TPC

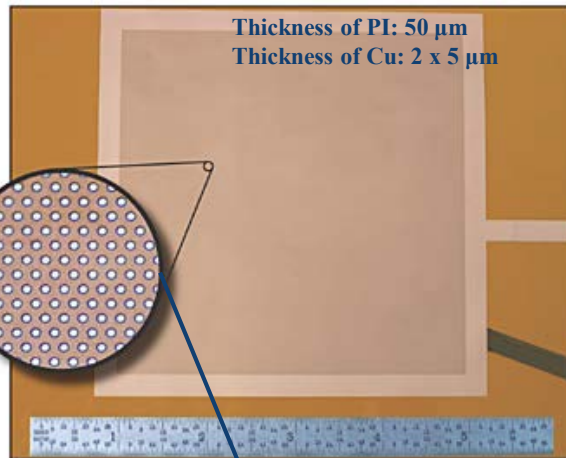
- **Gain** of triple GEMs $\sim 10^5$ in P-10 ($\text{Ar}:\text{CH}_4=90:10$)
- **Position resolution** (σ_p) 200-300 μm
- Good **E** field homogeneity of field cage



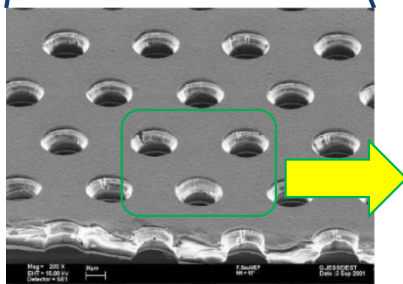
LAMPS TPC initial design

- Field cage (2x60 cm)
- Length: 120 cm
- Inner and outer diameters: 30 and 100 cm
- Triple GEMs in each 8 sectors
- PAD readout
- GET system ($\sim 30\text{k}$ channels)

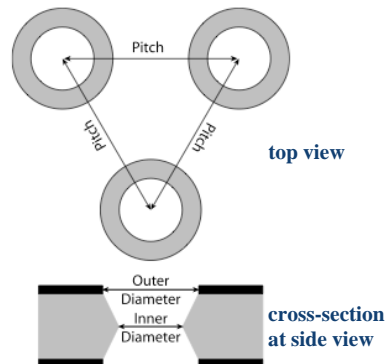
Gaseous Electron Multiplier (GEM)



Standard structure of GEM

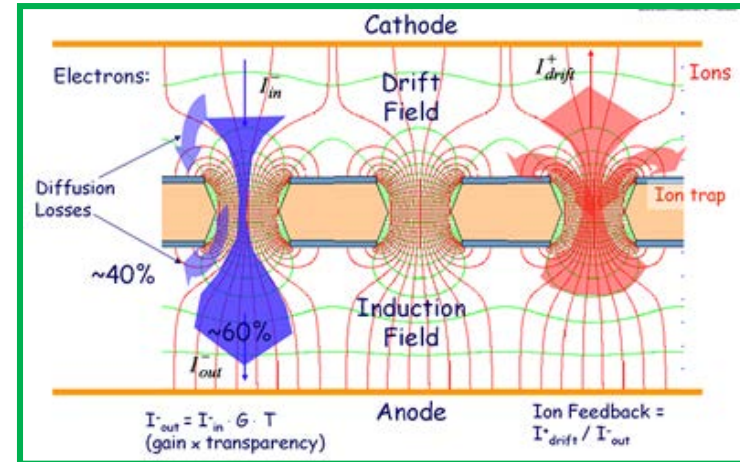


Pitch: 140 μm
Outer (Cu) hole: 70 μm
Inner (PI) hole: 40 μm



Electron multiplication in the GEM

M. Hohlmann's presentation for CMS Upgrade Review, Feb. 2013



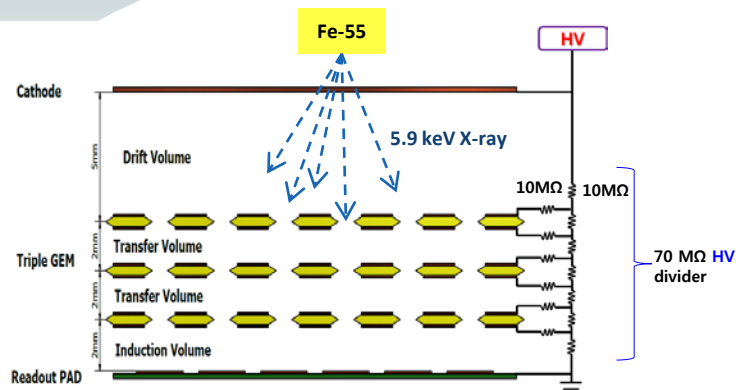
Disadvantages of wire method for TPC

- Difficult to handle thin wires & limited spacing in between wires
- Dead time for data taking due to gating grid
- limited operation with continuous wave (CW) beam

Advantages of GEM for TPC

- Physical strength better than wire
- Prevent positive ions in ion back flow (IBF)
- High gain and good radiation hardness
- Enable to be operated at high event rate and under CW beam

Schematic view of triple-GEM detector



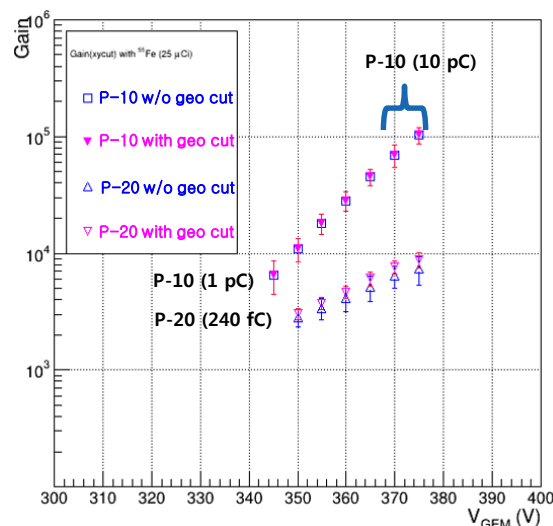
$$\text{Gain} = \frac{\langle Q_{\text{tot}} \rangle}{N_0 Q_e} = \frac{\langle Q_{\text{tot}} \rangle}{220 \times 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}}$$

$\langle Q_{\text{tot}} \rangle$: mean value of measured charge
 N_0 : initial number of p-e pairs
 Q_e : electric charge of electron

Picture of gain measurement test



Gain in mixed gases



Gap configuration: 5:2:2:2 mm

Mixed gases:

- P-10 (Ar:CH₄=90:10)
- P-20 (Ar:CH₄=80:20)

Input dynamic range:

- 1 and 10 pC in P-10
- 240 fC in p-20

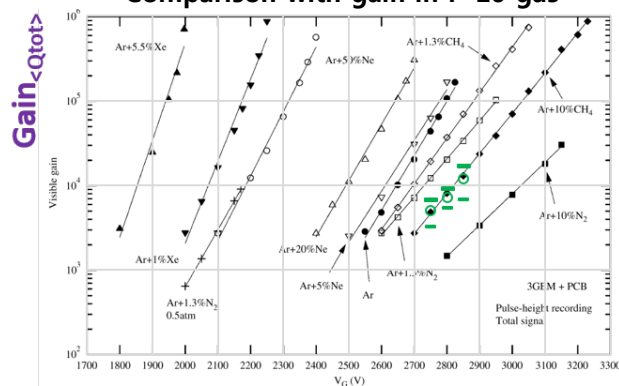
Data Analysis:

- no region selection
- region selected near Fe-55

Gain at $V_{\text{GEM}}=375$ V:

- ~ 10^5 in P-10
- ~ 8×10^3 in P-20

Comparison with gain in P-10 gas



Gap configuration: 1.9:1.8:2.0:1.9 mm

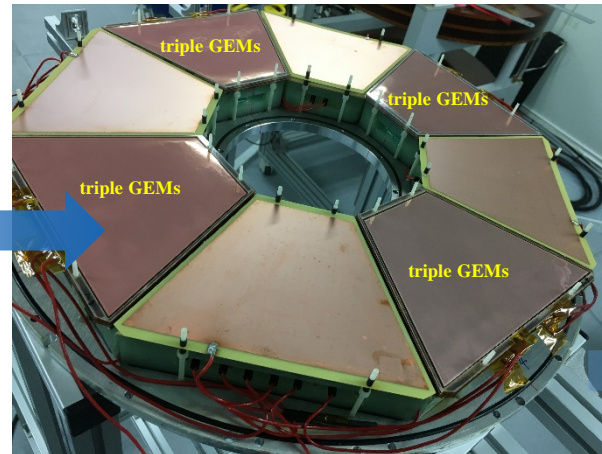
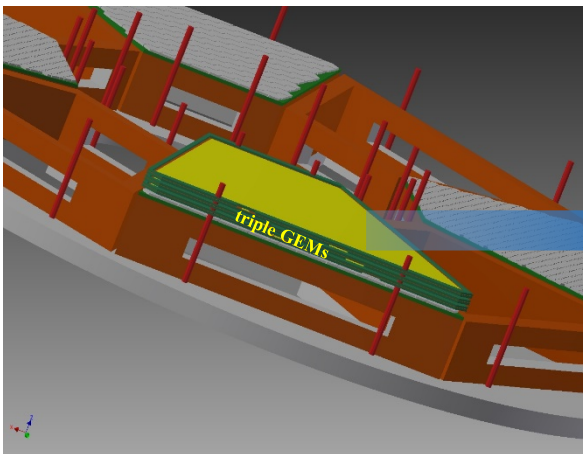
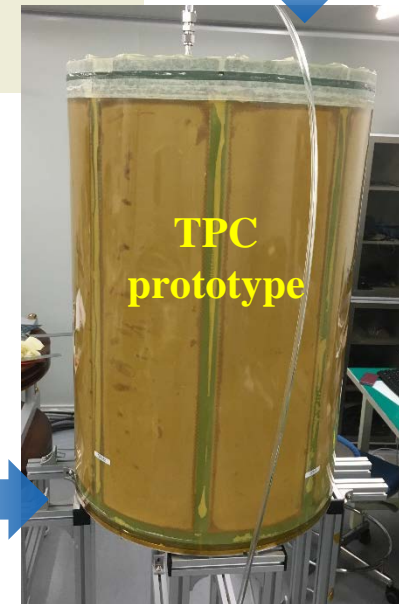
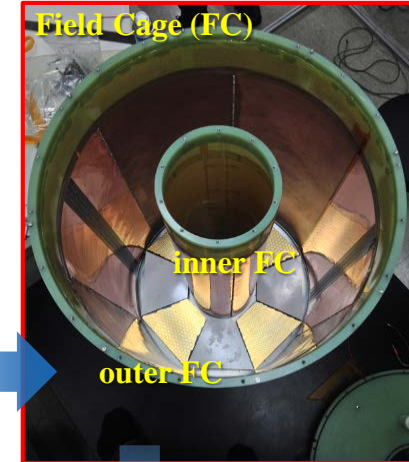
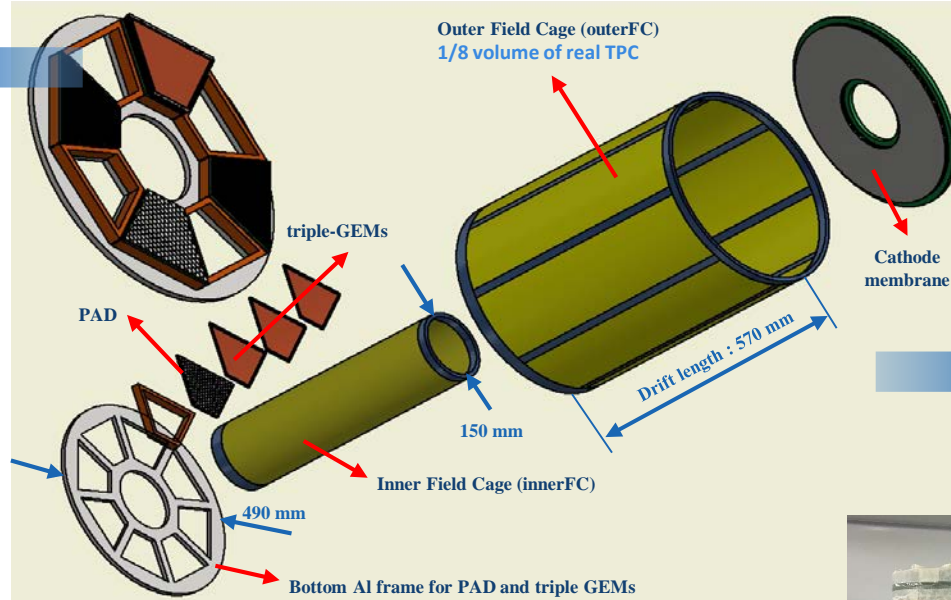
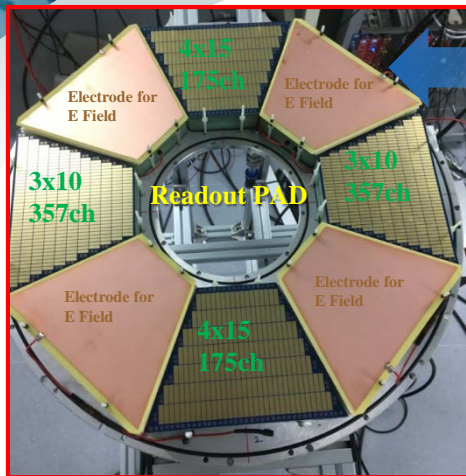
Same V_{GEM} and V_{GAP} configuration

Gain at $V_G = 2850$ V:
 > 10^4 in P-10

Fig. 7. Gain-voltage characteristics of a 3GEM + PCB photomultiplier in different gas mixtures for the total anode signal, detected with a charge amplifier, including both fast (primary) and slow (secondary scintillation-induced) components.

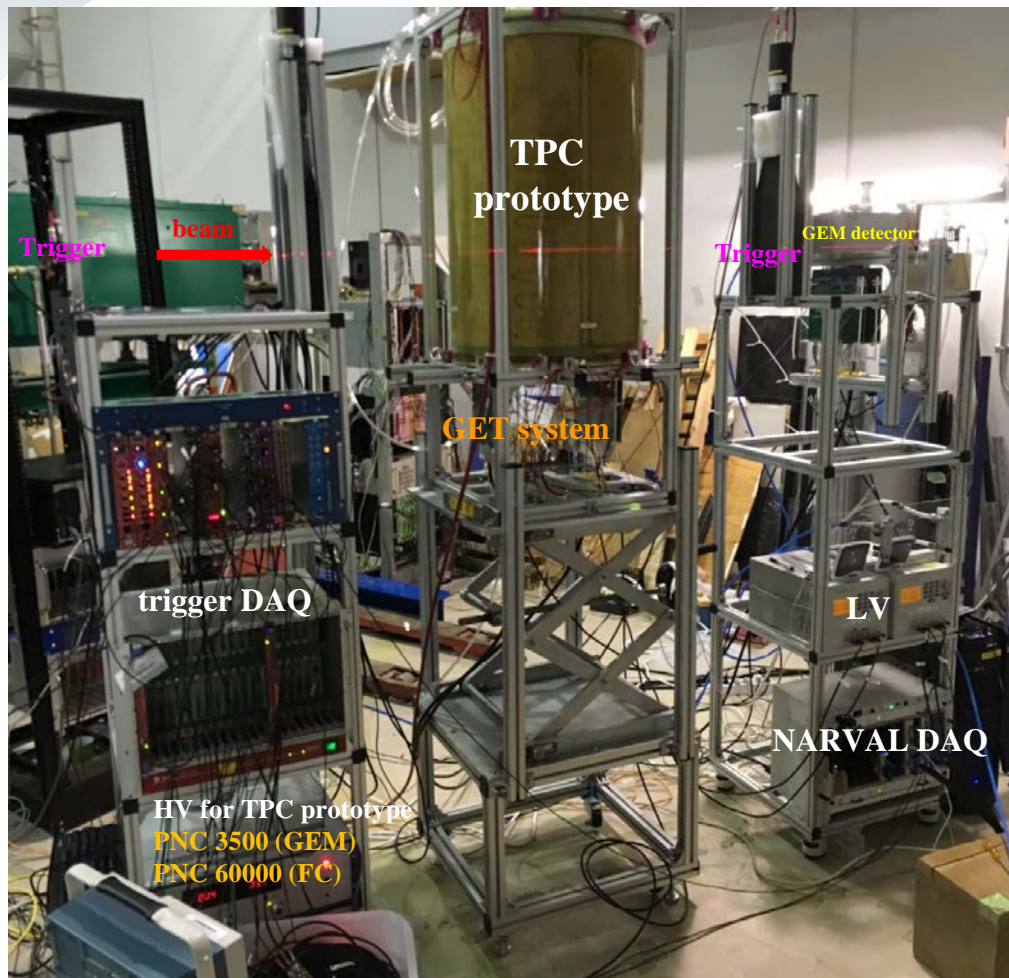
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TPC prototype with triple GEMs



Test setups of TPC prototype at ELPH in Tohoku University

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Run summary

Beam time: 2 days (12h+12h) in Nov 1-2 2016

Beam: positron

Mixed gases:

- P-10 ($\text{Ar}/\text{CH}_4=90/10$)
- Ar-CO₂ ($\text{Ar}/\text{CO}_2=90/10$)

PAD sizes:

- $4 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2$ for TPC prototype
- $3 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$ for GEM detector

Electric field on field cage (FC):

- $E_{\text{FC}} = 115, 125, 135, 145, 155 \text{ V/cm}$ in P-10
- $E_{\text{FC}} = 170 \text{ V/cm}$ in Ar-CO₂

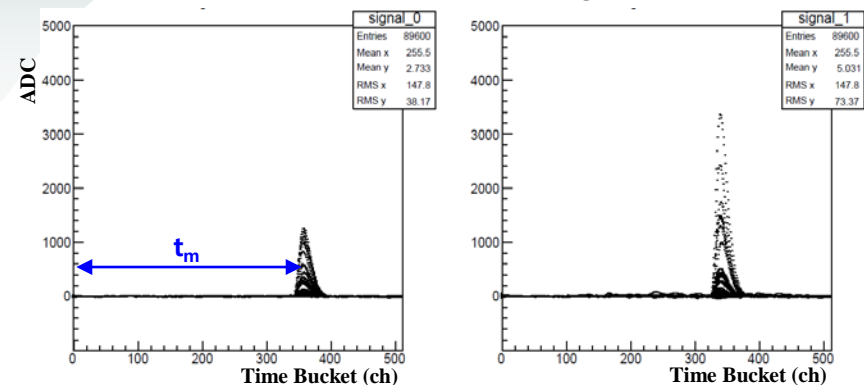
Applied voltage on a GEM, gap, and GEM1top:

- $V_{\text{GEM}} = V_{\text{GAP}} = -345 \text{ V}$
- $V_{\text{GEM1top}} = -2,070 \text{ V}$ ($3V_{\text{GEM}} + 3V_{\text{GAP}}$)

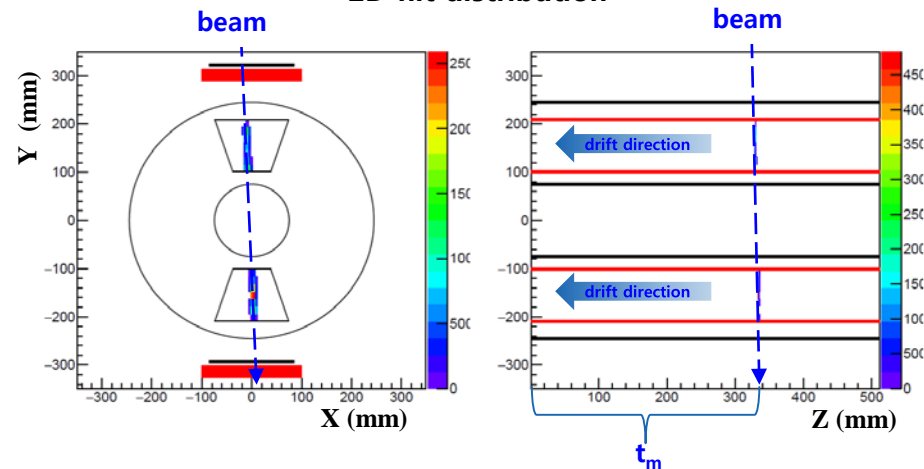
Beam height (or drift length, L_d) at TPC prototype:

- $L_d^{\text{MAX}} = 57 \text{ cm}$
- $L_d = 20.24, 35.24, 50.24 \text{ cm}$

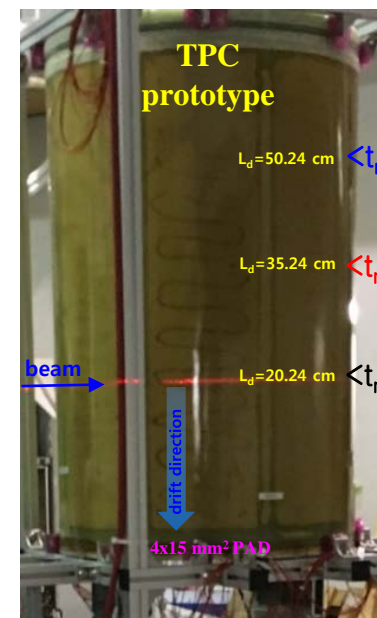
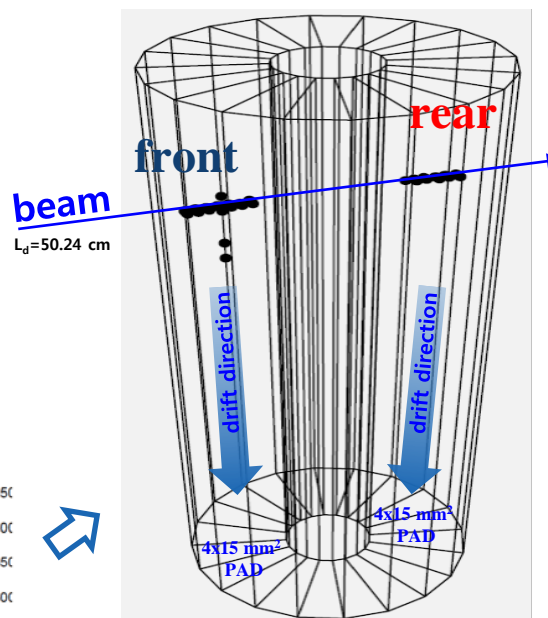
Distribution of raw signal



2D hit distribution

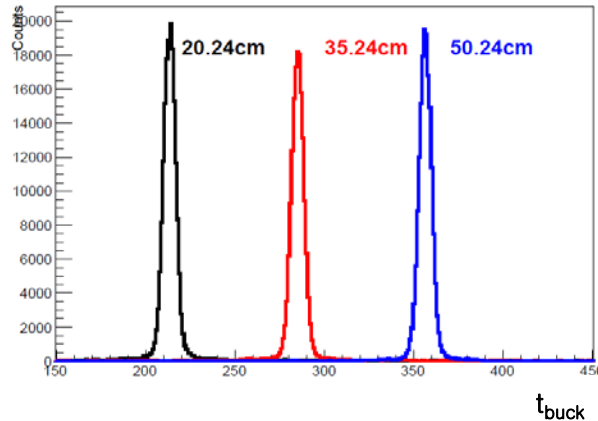


3D hit distribution

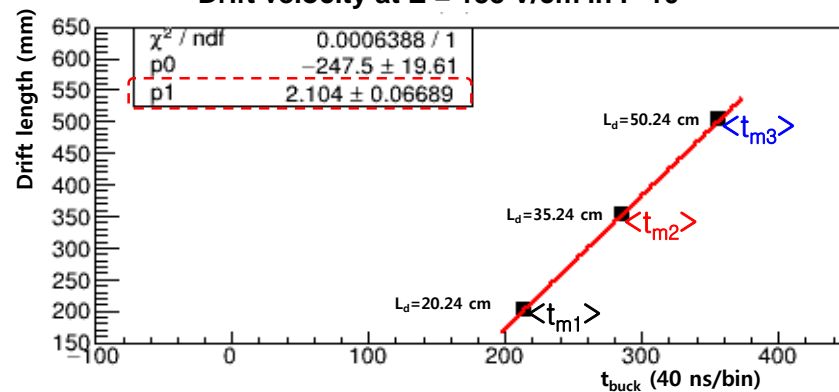


Test result: drift velocity

Time distribution for each beam height

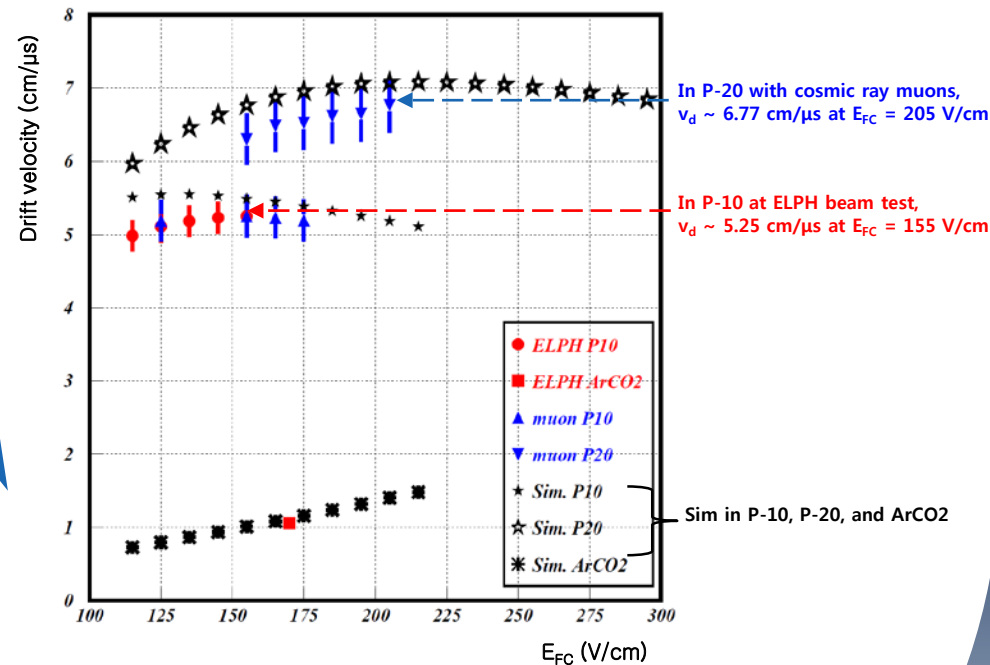


Drift velocity at E = 155 V/cm in P-10



$$v_d = 2.104 (\pm 0.167) \text{ mm}/t_{buck}$$

$$= 5.26 (\pm 0.167) \text{ cm}/\mu\text{s}$$



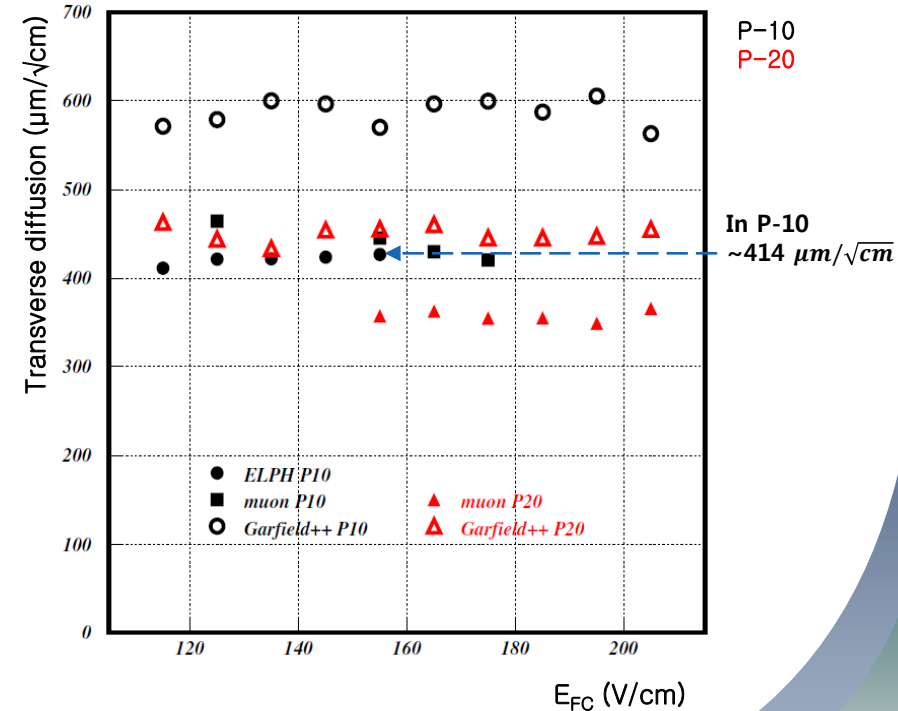
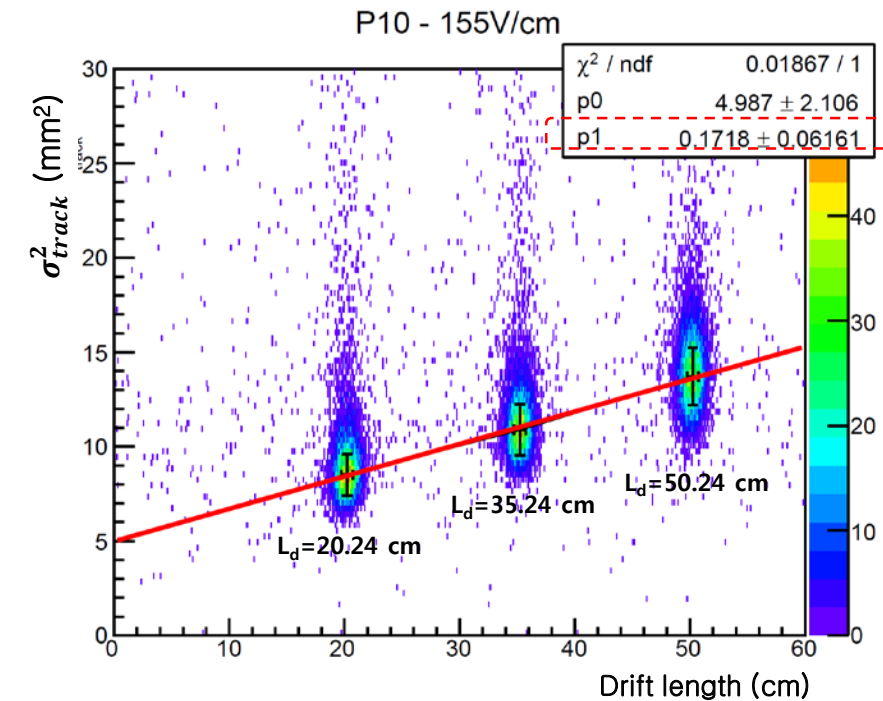
$$\sigma_{track}^2 = C_D^2 \cdot Z + \sigma_0^2$$

σ_{track} : standard deviation of charge cloud

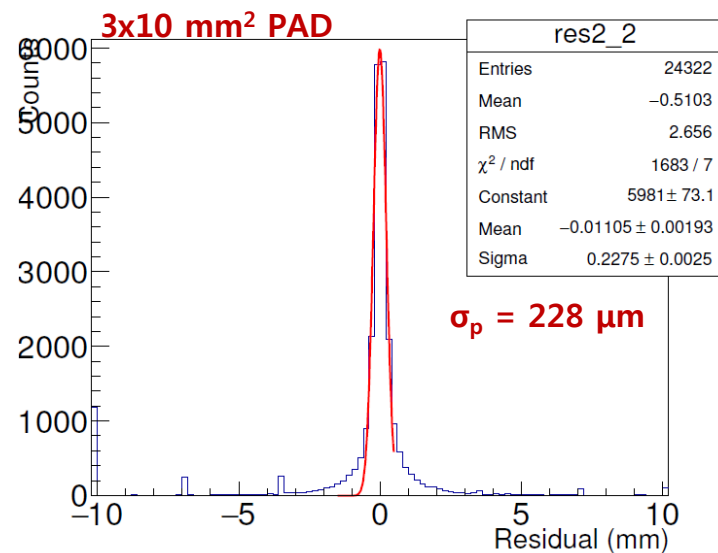
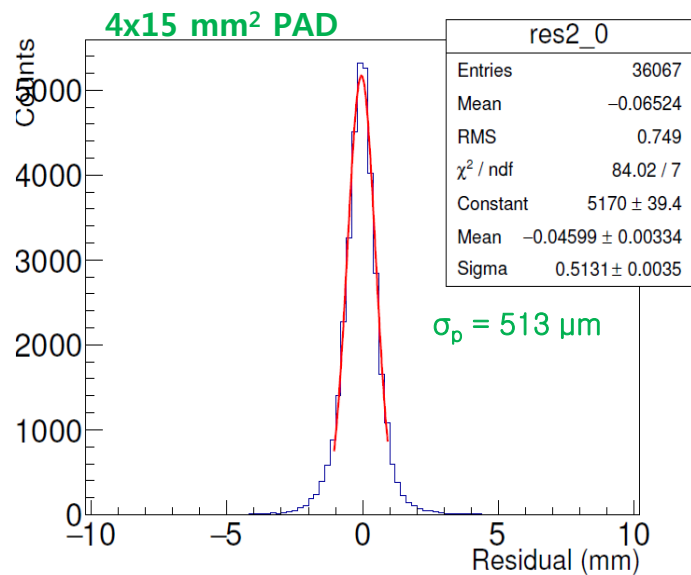
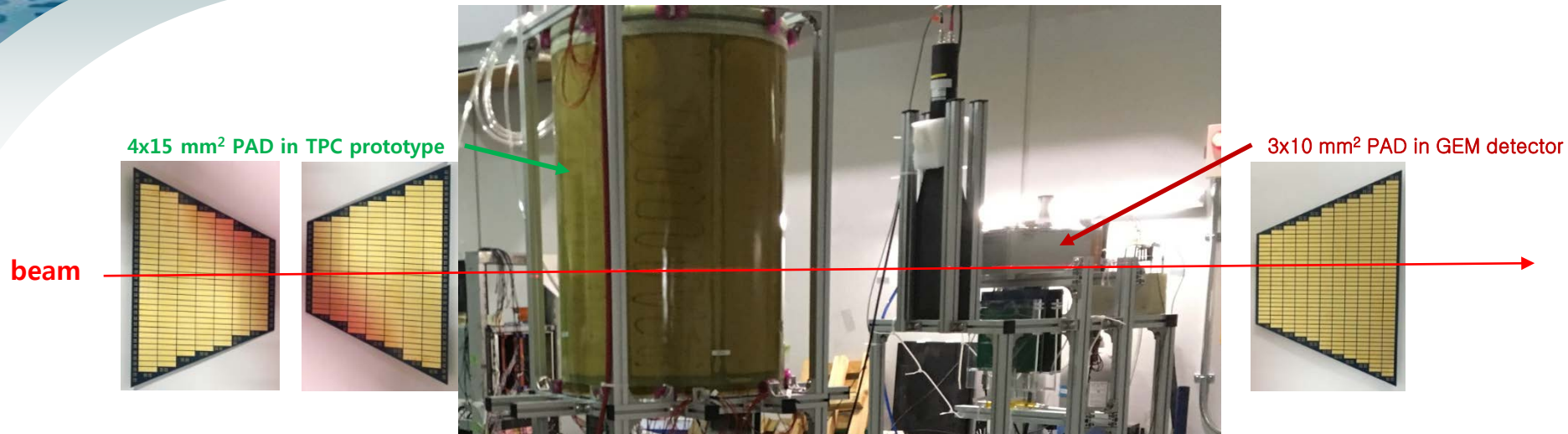
C_D : transverse diffusion

Z : drift length

σ_0 : from readout system



Test result: position resolution

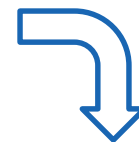
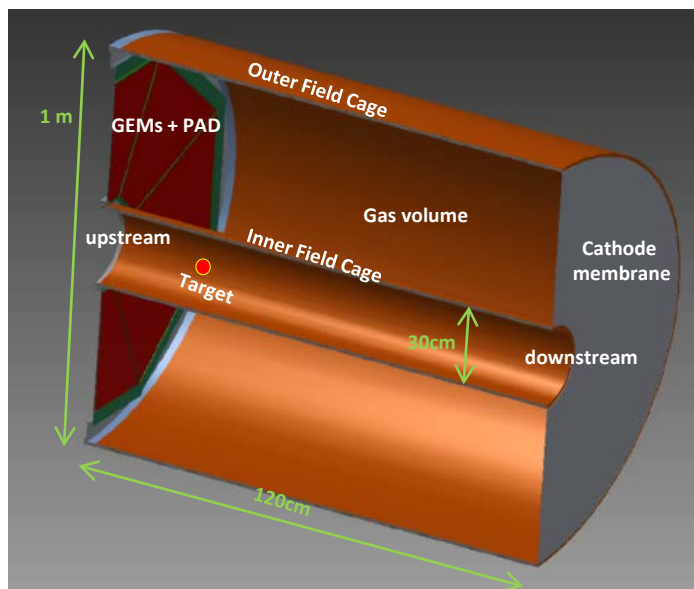


- **Why TPC re-designing?**

- **Need to improve momentum resolution ($\Delta p/p$)** of TPC initially designed ($v_D > 5$ cm/ μ s, $L_d = 60$ cm)
- **Limited electronics channels** of GET system for readout on both sides of TPC
- Expect **more radiation damage** on the electronics at downstream than upstream

- **Test results of TPC prototype**

- **Gain** of triple GEMs at $V_{GEM} = 375$ V: $\sim 8 \times 10^3$ in P-20 gas
- **Drift velocity** (v_D): over 6 cm/ μ s in $E_{FC}=155-205$ V/cm in P-20 gas
- **Transverse diffusion** (C_D): $\sim 400-500$ μ m/ \sqrt{cm} in P-20 gas
- **Position resolution** (σ_p): ~ 228 μ m with 3×10 mm² PAD



- **New design for LAMPS TPC**

- **Field cage of 120 cm long** with v_D over 6 cm/ μ s
- Length: 120 cm
- Inner and outer diameters: 30 and 100 cm
- GEMs+PAD in each 8 sectors
- **PAD readout only in upstream for better position resolution**
- GET system (Max. 30,720 channels)

- **Experimental facilities for various science topics** with stable and short-lived RI beams has been developing and constructing **at RAON**.
- **Large Acceptance Multi-Purpose Spectrometer (LAMPS)** for symmetry energy study in nuclear physics experiment has been developing.
- **TPC prototype**
 Field cage (drift length of 57 cm and strip pitch of 2.5 mm)
 2 mm gap triple GEMs (effective area $\sim 140 \text{ cm}^2$)
 PAD readout: 175 channels for $4 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2$
 357 channels for $3 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$
 GET system
- **Test results of TPC prototype with positron beam and cosmic ray muon**
 Gain of triple GEMs at $V_{\text{GEM}} = 375 \text{ V}$: $\sim 10^5$ in P-10 and $\sim 8 \times 10^3$ in P-20

 Drift velocity (v_D): $\sim 5.25 \text{ cm}/\mu\text{s}$ at $E_{\text{FC}} = 155 \text{ V/cm}$ in P-10 gas
 $\sim 6.77 \text{ cm}/\mu\text{s}$ at $E_{\text{FC}} = 205 \text{ V/cm}$ in P-20 gas

 Diffusion (C_D): $\sim 400\text{-}500 \text{ }\mu\text{m}/\sqrt{\text{cm}}$ in P-10 and P-20 gases

 Position resolution (σ_P): $\sim 228 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ with $3 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$ PAD
 $\sim 513 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ with $4 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2$ PAD
- **Outlook**
 Large GEM test chamber (effective GEM area $\sim 1,650 \text{ cm}^2$)
 Specific design of main component for LAMPS TPC

Thank you for your attention!
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