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***Η ΟΜΑΔΑ ΤΟΥ ΔΗΜΟΚΡΙΤΟΥ ΣΤΟ ATLAS/LHC***  
***ΕΡΓΑΣΤΗΡΙΟ ΟΡΓΑΝΟΛΟΓΙΑΣ ΑΝΙΧΝΕΥΤΩΝ «ΕΛΕΑ»***

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- **October 2017:** NCSR Demokritos **full member** of **ATLAS**

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## **ΕΡΕΥΝΗΤΙΚΕΣ ΔΡΑΣΤΗΡΙΟΤΗΤΕΣ**

### **1) ΤΟ ΠΕΙΡΑΜΑ ATLAS ΣΤΟ LHC**

**ΑΝΑΒΑΘΜΙΣΗ ΤΟΥ ATLAS (2020 – 2021): Μυονικό Σύστημα Ανιχνευτών  
Ανιχνευτές Μικρομέγας και sTGC (NSW: New Small Wheel)**

**ΑΝΑΚΑΤΑΣΚΕΥΗ ΤΡΟΧΙΩΝ ΜΙΟΝΙΩΝ - ΑΝΑΛΥΣΗ ΦΥΣΙΚΗΣ  
... Φυσική με το νέο ανιχνευτή**

### **2) ΕΡΕΥΝΑ ΚΑΙ ΑΝΑΠΤΥΞΗ ΣΕ ΑΝΙΧΝΕΥΤΙΚΑ ΣΥΣΤΗΜΑΤΑ**

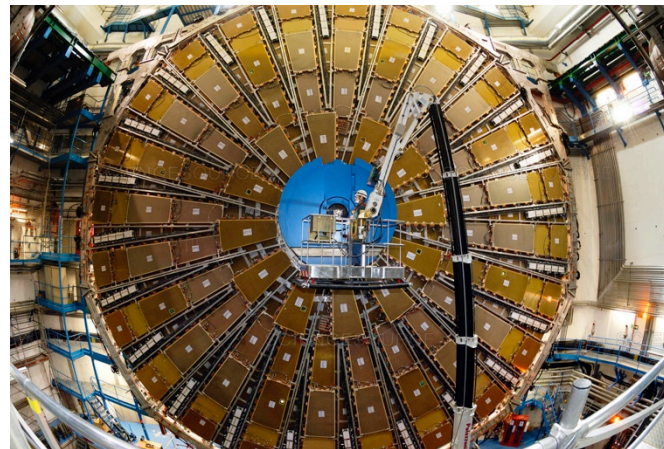
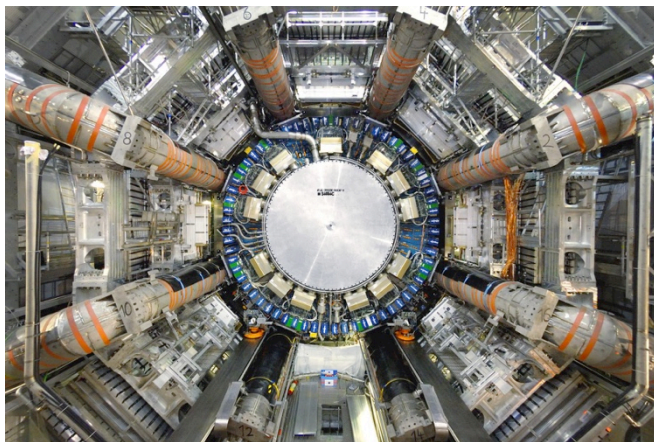
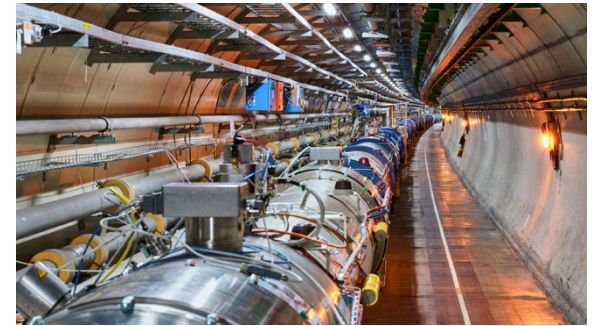
- α) Μικρομέγας τεχνολογίας Microbulk πραγματικού x-y**
- β) Αντιστατικοί Μικρομέγας για υψηλές ροές σωματιδίων**
- δ) Τεχνολογία Μικρομέγας με χρήση γραφενίου**

# Ο ΜΕΓΑΛΟΣ ΑΔΡΟΝΙΚΟΣ ΕΠΙΤΑΧΥΝΤΗΣ – LARGE HADRON COLLIDER (LHC)

Επιταχυντής LHC: Συγκρούσεις  $p - p$ ,  $Pb - Pb$ ,  $p - Pb$

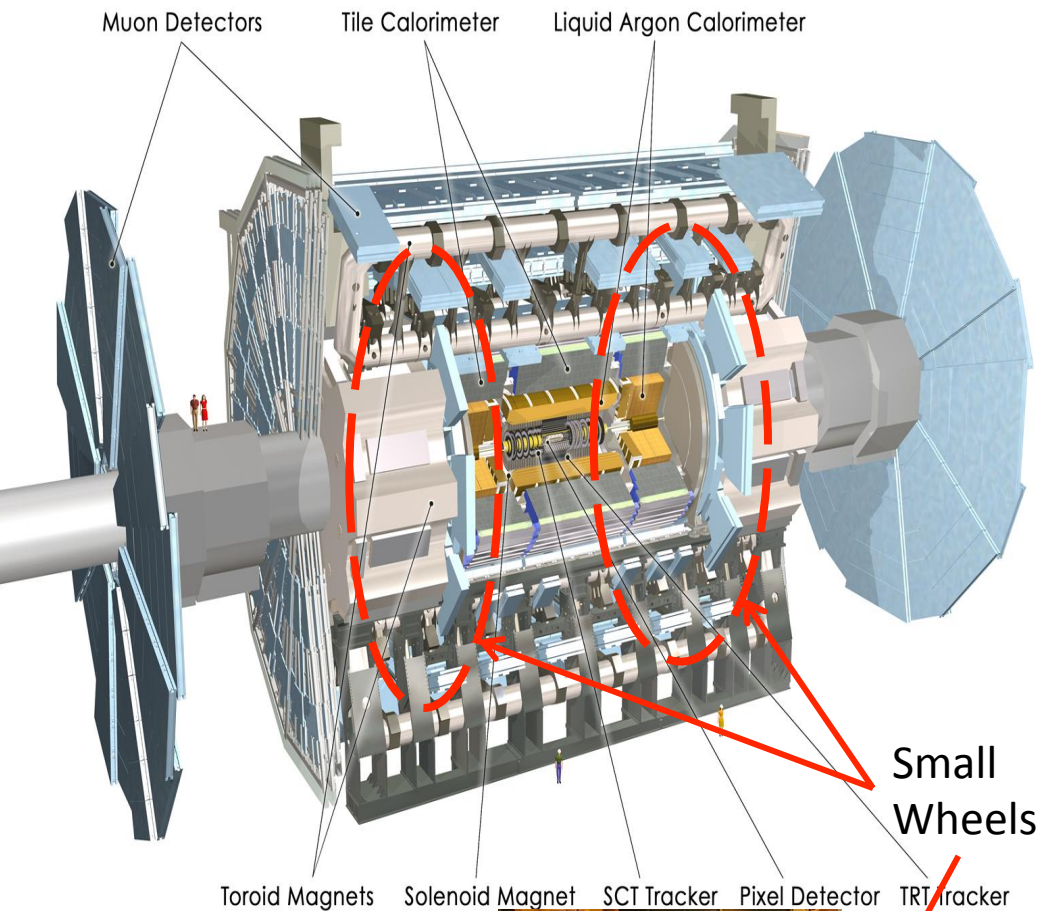
$E_{cm}(p-p) = 13 \text{ TeV}$

Στόχοι: Μελέτη του Καθιερωμένου Προτύπου – Ενδελεχής μελέτη του Higgs  
Έρευνα για Υπερσυμμετρία (Πρόβλημα ιεραρχίας – Μεγάλη ενοποίηση – Σκοτεινή Ύλη)  
Έρευνα για Σκοτεινή Ύλη  
Επιπλέον διαστάσεις  
Μη προβλεπόμενα φαινόμενα



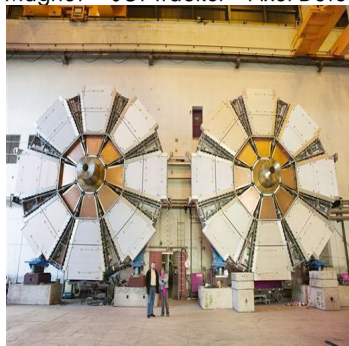


# Το πείραμα ATLAS και η Αναβάθμισή του

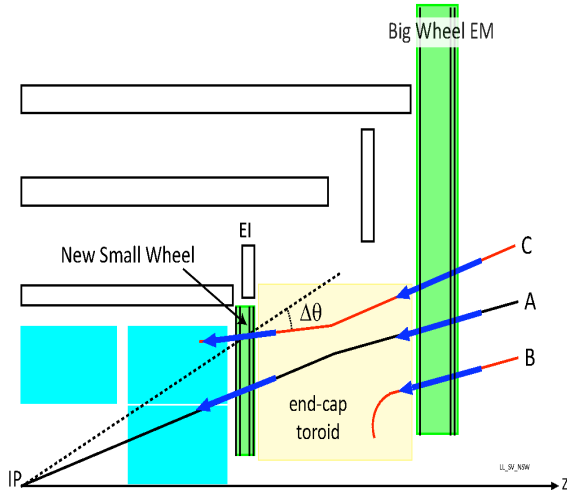


- ATLAS – Πείραμα Γενικού στόχου (δες προηγούμενη σελίδα)
- Μιονικό φασματόμετρο: Small wheels (between end-cap calorimeter and end-cap toroid)
- Διάμετρος 10 m
- Αποτελείται από ανιχνευτές:
  - Cathode Strip Chambers (CSC)
  - Thin Gap Chambers (TGC)
  - Monitor Drift Tube (MDT)

## NEW SMALL WHEELS

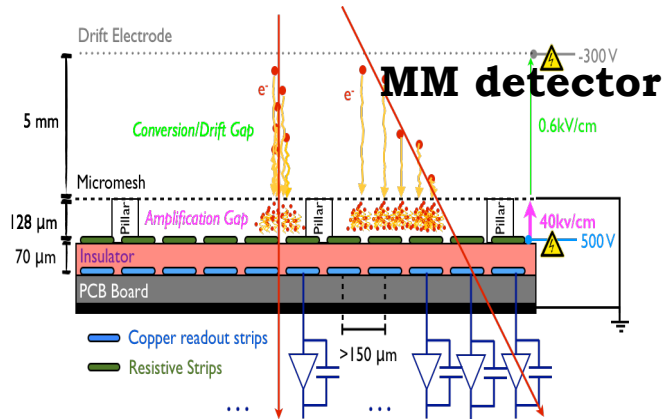


# Operation principle MMs and sTGC (NSW Technologies)

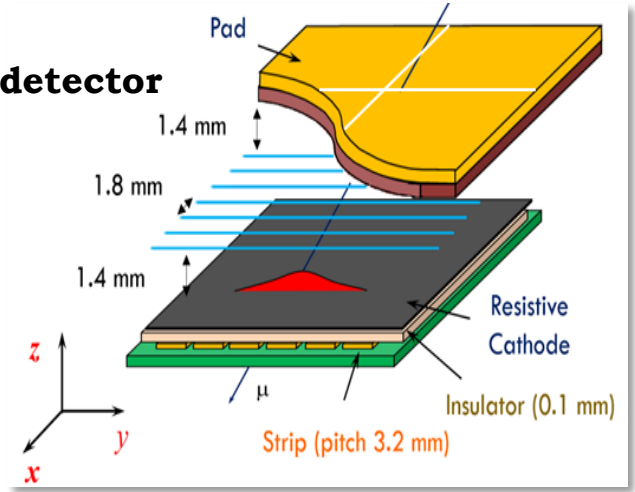


## New Small Wheels (NSW)

- Work at high rates  $20\text{kHz}/\text{cm}^2$
- Will provide online high angle resolution ( $\sigma_\theta \sim 1\text{mrad}$ ) IP pointing segments
- Spatial resolution at  $100\ \mu\text{m}$
- Significant reduction of fake triggers



## sTGC detector



## sTGC – 331,744 channels

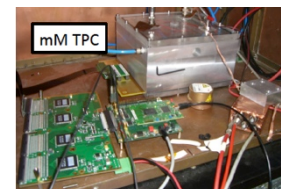
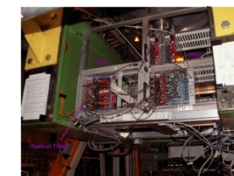
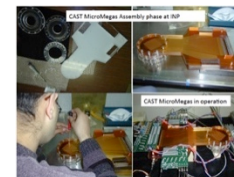
- sTGC wires/strips for tracking, strips/pads for trigger
- Wires:  $50\ \mu\text{m}$ , pitch  $1.8\ \text{mm}$
- Strips: pitch  $3.2\ \text{mm}$
- Data rates: up to  $1.77\ \text{Gbps}/\text{plane}$

Micromegas – 2,097,152 channels  
 MM strips for tracking, first hit for trigger  
 -Strip pitch:  $450\ \mu\text{m}$ , Readout Strips:  $300\ \mu\text{m}$   
 -Data rates: Up to  $8\ \text{Gbps}/\text{plane}$   
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# ELEA past Activities

- **Manufacturing and testing the CAST Micromegas detectors (2001 – 2005)**
- **Built VME DAQ for Micromegas (LabView and C++ parallel threads) – CAST, SPS test beams (2003, 2012)**
- **Design and built the Global Trigger Processor Emulator (GTPe) for CMS (2005 – 2010) – 10 complete systems**
- **Build the first RD51 telescope with Micromegas, for the SPS test beam (2010)**
- **Build Micromegas TPC for fission studies FIDIAS project (2012)**
- **Participate in the MAMMA collaboration for The ATLAS New Small Wheel upgrade (2010)**





## ELEA aim at:

- 1) Innovative R&D on Micro Pattern Gaseous Detectors - MPGDs
- 2) Development of MPGD related electronics and DAQ systems
- 3) Dedicated detectors for HEP, Nuclear Physics and applications



## INFRASTRUCTURE

### •THREE FULLY EQUIPPED TEST BENCHES FOR STUDYING MPGDs

- Electronics Rack, Gas distribution, Workstation, Oscilloscope

### •GAS MIXER and distribution of premixed gases

### •ELECTRONICS AND DAQ SYSTEMS

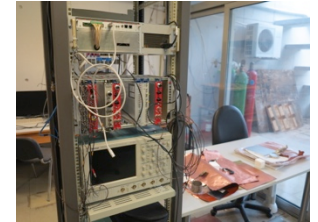
- VME Data Acquisition (CAEN controller, optical fiber connection CRAMS, sequencer, ADC unit, Gate generator, etc)
- SRS - Scalable Readout System (APV FE, 2000 channels readout)
- FEMINOS readout for TPC mode
- Electronics: Racks (1 VME and 4 NIM crates), NIM units  
(Multifunction NIM modules, Amplifiers, Discrim., HV PS, LV PS, Pulse generators, NIM/TTL/NIM conv, etc), MCAs (2), Preamps
- Faraday cage

### •DESIGN PACKAGES

- Electronics design (Europractice packages)
- Finite Element Analysis (COMSOL, ANSYS)
- DAQ software (Labview version, C++ version)
- FPGA (Altera, Xilinx) design workstations
- FPGA Design platforms

### •CLEAN ROOM (12 m<sup>2</sup> - two rooms Class 10,000 and Class 100,000)

- Microscope

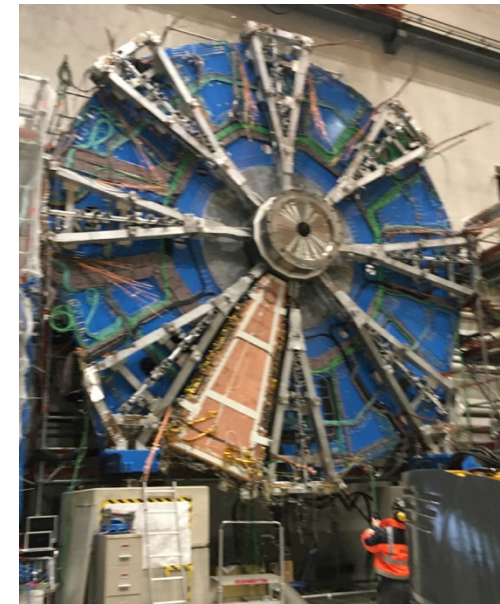
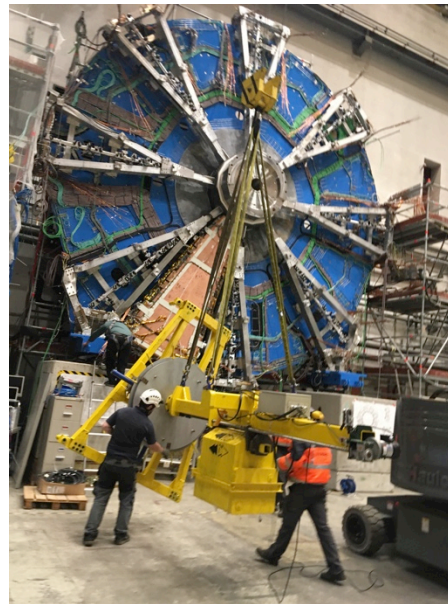
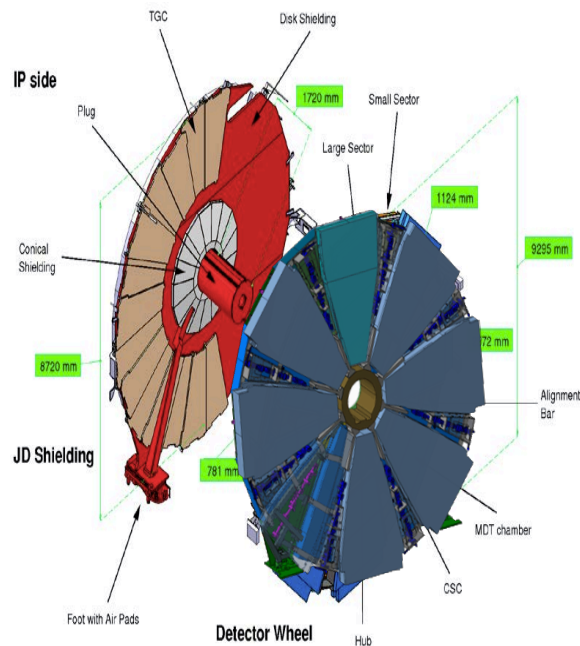
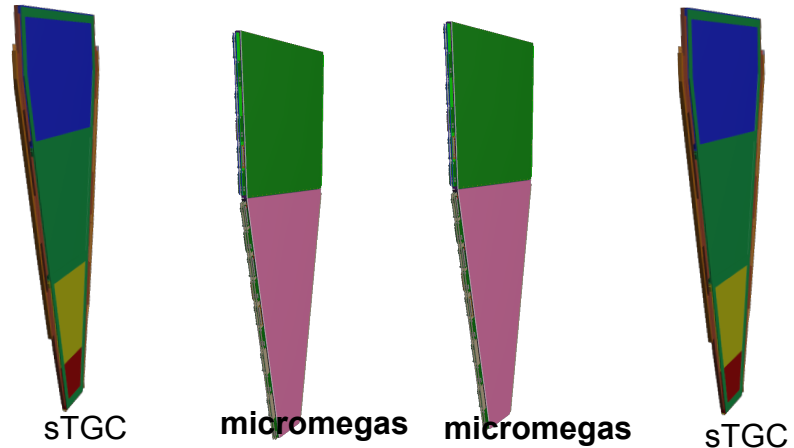




# New Small Wheel (NSW) Layout

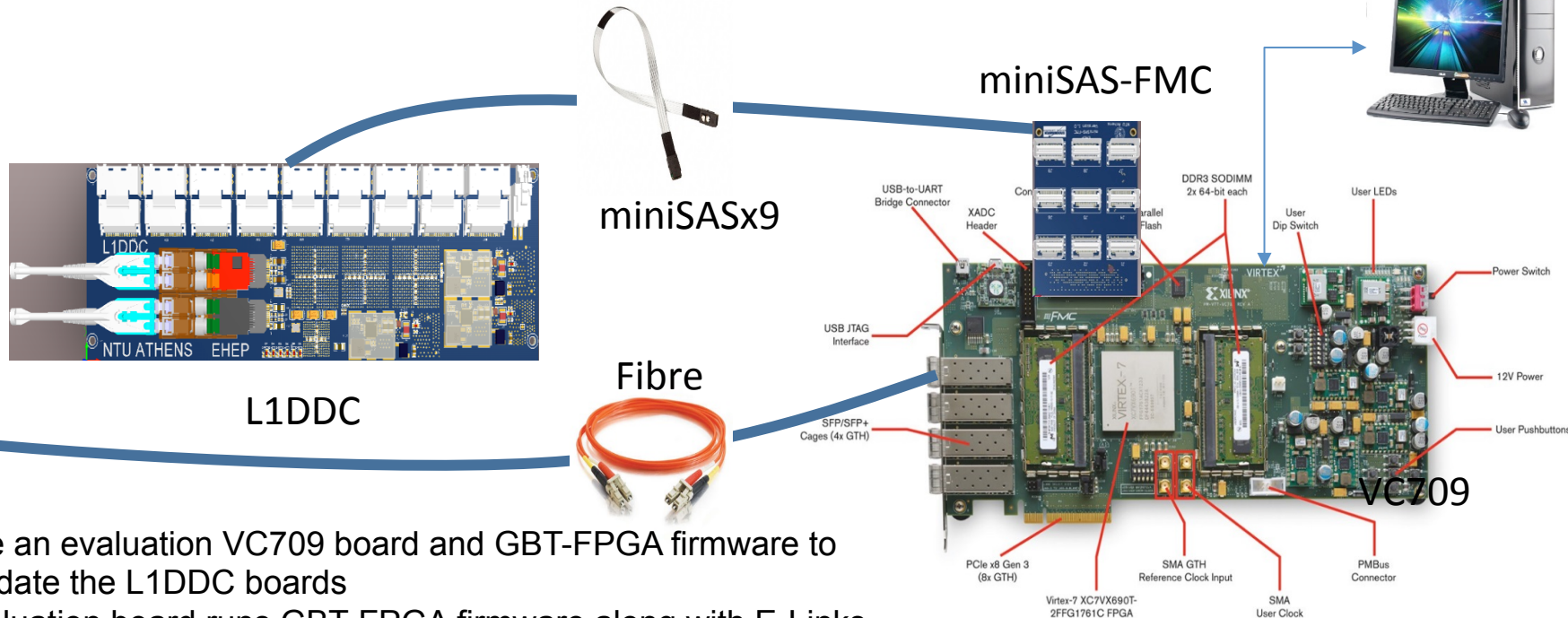
8 MM + 8 sTGC layers per NSW sector

- Two technologies: Both Micromegas & sTGC detectors will provide tracking and trigger data
- 16 Sectors per Wheel (8 large, 8 small)
- 2 Multilayers (Modules) per Sector for Micromegas & 3 Multilayers (Modules) per Sector for sTGC
- 8 Micromegas Layers & 8 sTGC Layers per Multilayer



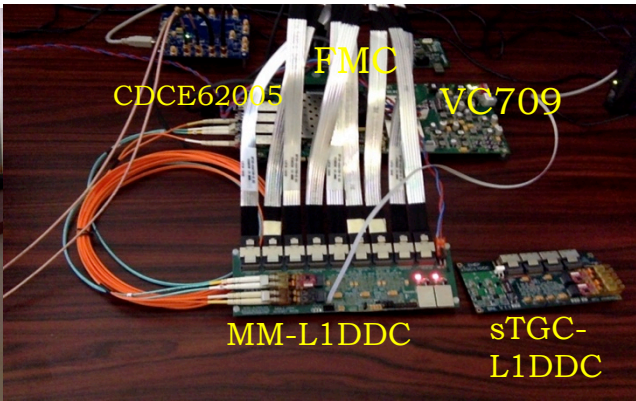
sTGC (mainly for triggering) & Micromegas (mainly for tracking) detectors, both providing tracking and triggering information, combined into a fully redundant NSW system!

# Testing the L1DDC boards (NTUA/BNL)



- Use an evaluation VC709 board and GBT-FPGA firmware to validate the L1DDC boards
- Evaluation board runs GBT-FPGA firmware along with E-Links
  - Data are generated in VC709 with respect to that clock and send to L1DDC via E-links and then through fiber back to the evaluation board

## Test setup at Demokritos



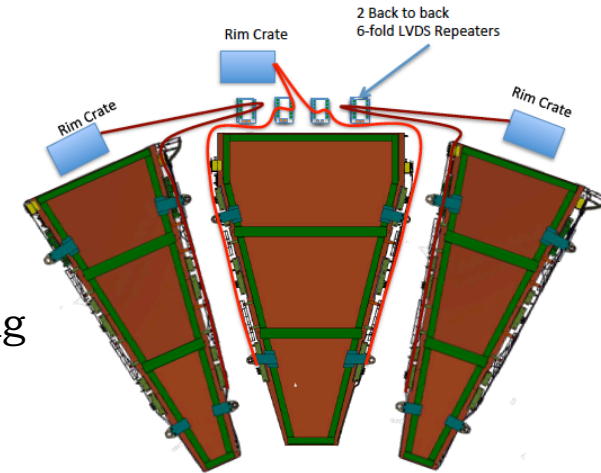
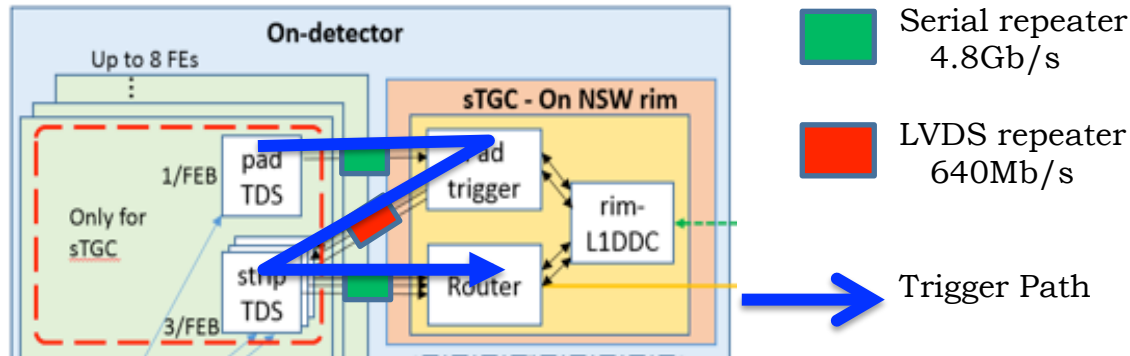
# NCSR Demokritos group responsibilities

## B) The sTGC Repeaters Boards design, construction, commissioning and Integration. (Current major Project, Sept. 2018 – today)

- Repeaters design
- Construction and testing
- Commissioning and integration

### Problem addressed

- 1) High rate signals are attenuated at long transfers (~6.5m)
- 2) We need repeater cards to boost the signals to the receiving end. Critical for Trigger path.

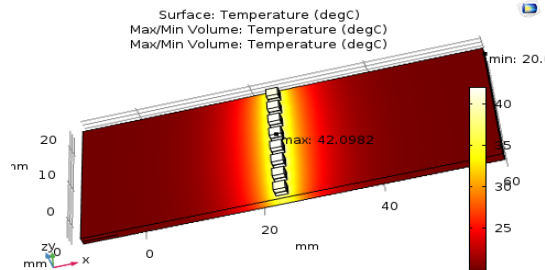
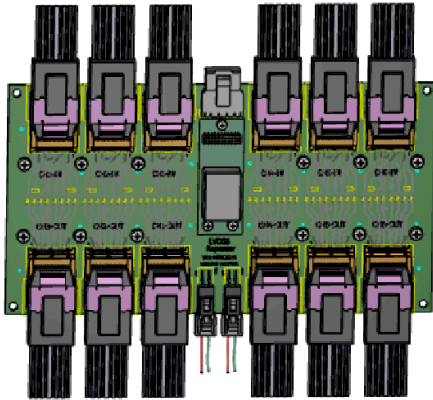


Frequency (GHz)	0.50	1.0	2.0	5.0	10.0	15.0	20.0
Tin Plating (dB/m)	-0.90	-1.4	-2.2	-4.0	-7.5	-10.9	-14.6
Silver Plating (dB/m)	-0.85	-1.2	-1.7	-3.2	-4.9	-6.8	-8.8
difference	-0.05	0.2	-0.5	-0.8	-2.6	-4.1	-5.8

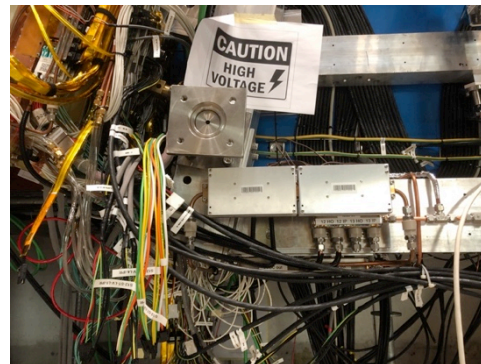
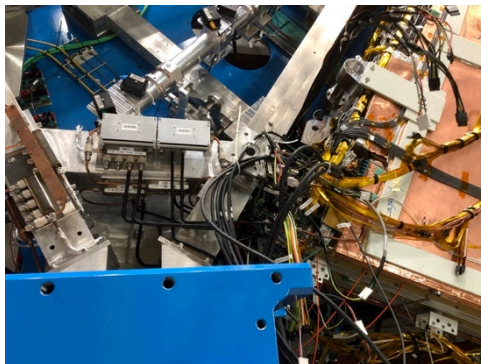
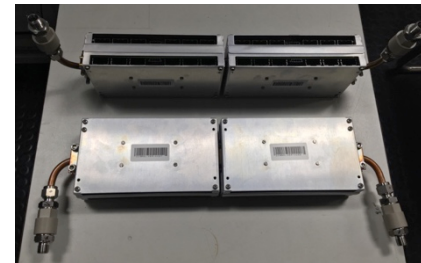
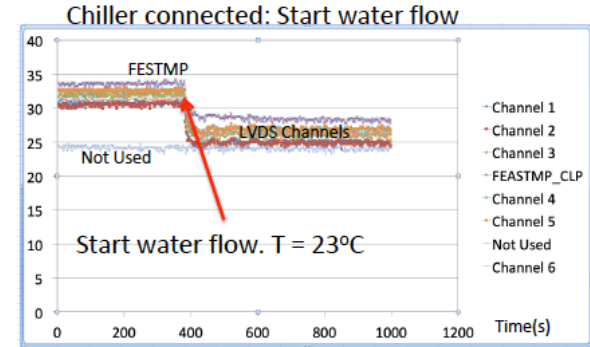


# LVD6R Repeaters – LVD6R: Ελληνικές Εταιρείες (Prisma: κατασκευή ηλεκτρονικών, Rentron: Κλωβοί Faraday

Comsol calculation of the T distribution – Cooling  
**Master Thesis** by K. Damanakis



Effectiveness of cooling



**Τοποθέτηση μονάδων  
Στο NSW/ATLAS**





# Real x-y Segmented Mesh Microbulk Micromegas

- 1) Real x-y structure
- 2) Mass minimization
- 3) Production Simplification

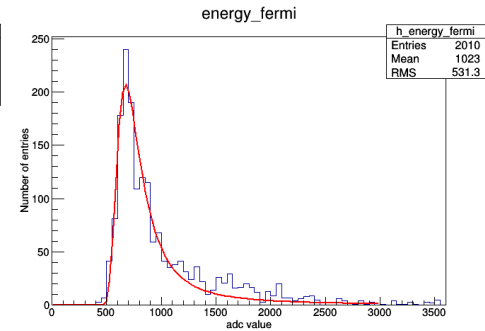
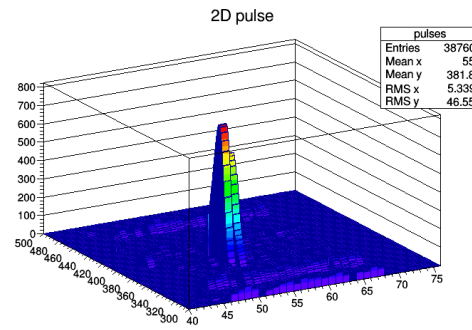
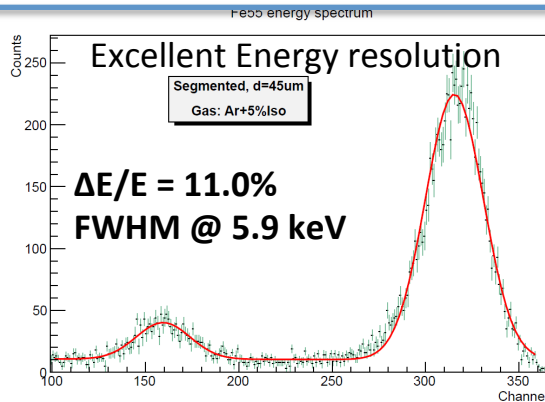
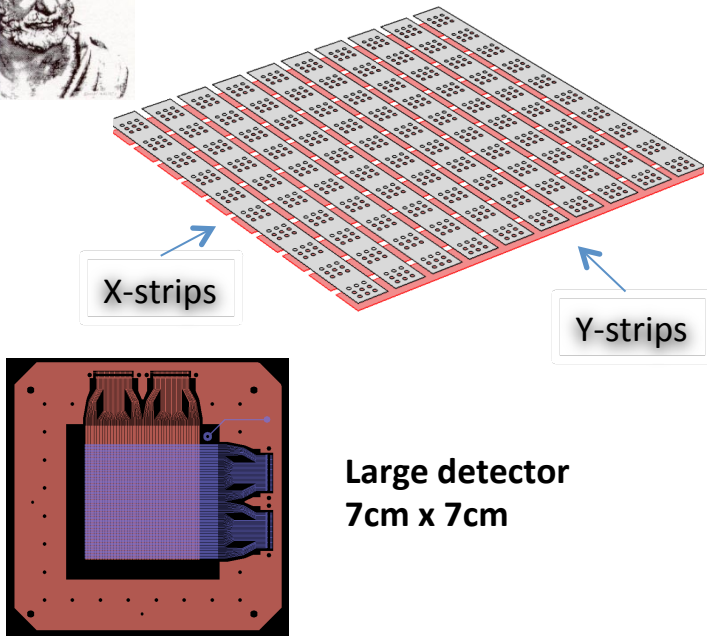
Ideal for:

- 1) Rare searches (axion, dark matter)  
Background  $\rightarrow \sim 10^{-7}$  cnts/keV/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- 2) Neutron Beam profiler (nTOF)

Very low material Budget:

Current activity (2018 – 2019):

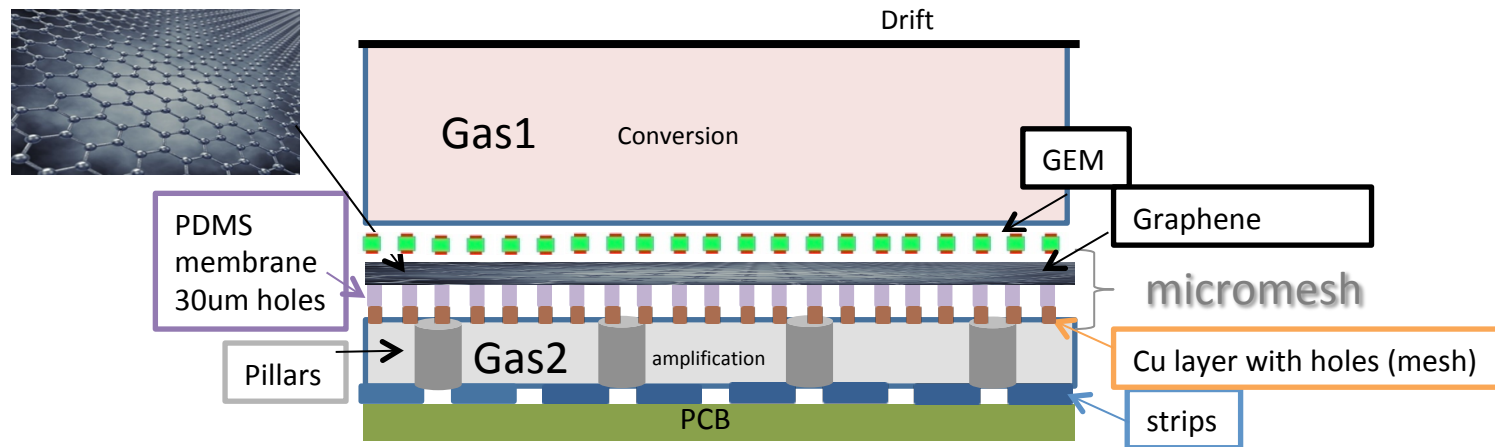
Real x-y microbulk with strip pitch 700  $\mu$ m  
Operation in TPC mode for tracking



Strip wave form  $\rightarrow$  x,y,z coordinates Landau distribution from Cosmic muons

M. Diakaki et al., "Development of a novel segmented mesh MicroMegas detector for neutron beam profiling", NIMA 903(2018) 46-55.

# R&D on Double gas Phase Micromegas

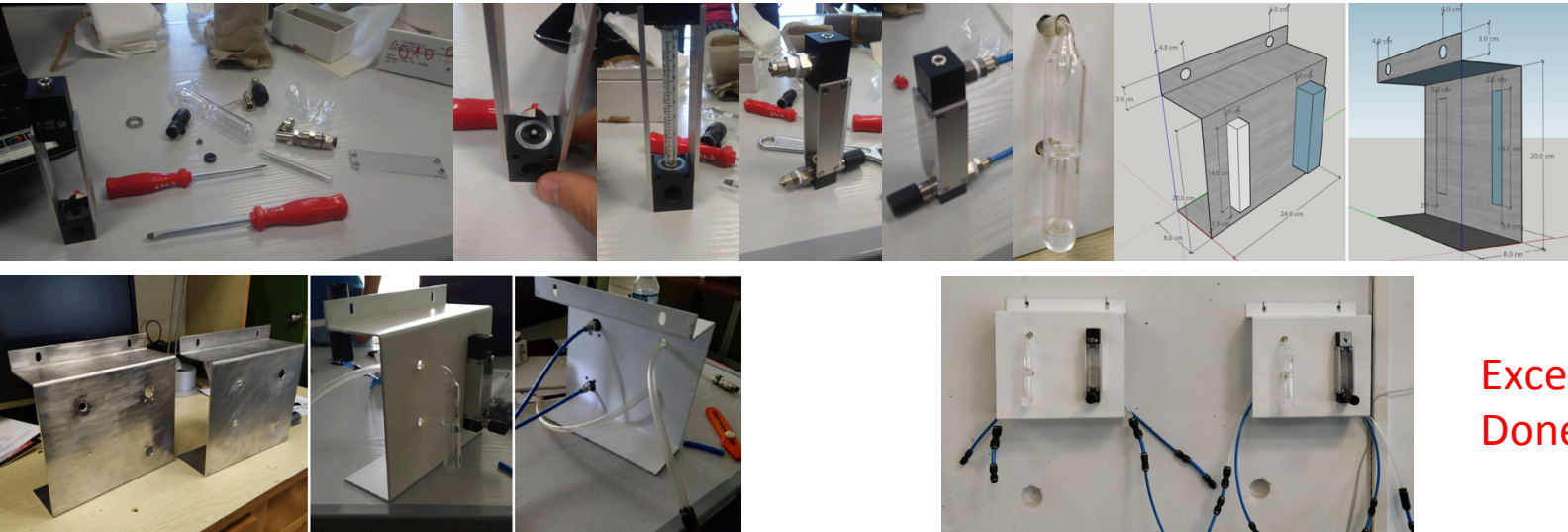


## Our ambition:

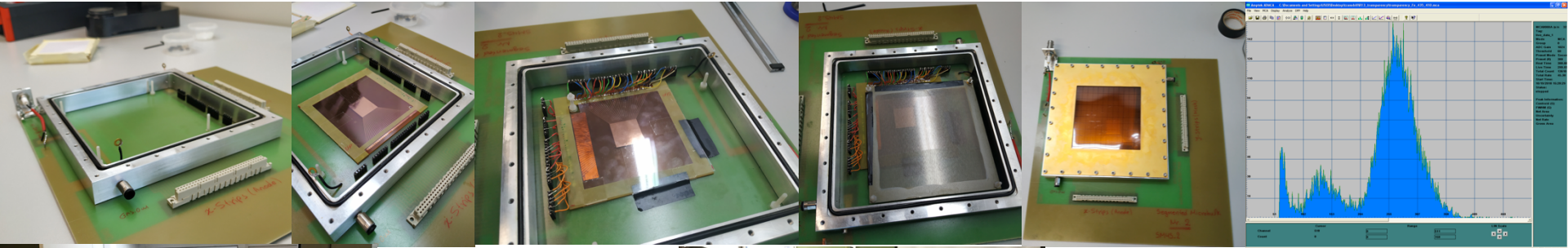
- 1) Two-gas phase detector separated by a Graphene layer
- 2) Exploit differences in gas properties to improve performance
- 3) Should have high electron transparency (test to be performed)
- 4) It may be used to eliminate ion backflow

# Work by the Practical students: Stamatis Tzanos, Vasilis Blanas

## Build 2 Gas Flow Controllers



## Work on the “Real x-y Segmented Microbulk”: First real x-y with 700 $\mu$ m strip pitch



Working in the Clean Room



Preparing the Cloud Chamber For Researcher's Night

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- 5) Βασίλης Μπλάνας «Segmented mesh Microbulk Micromegas” (NTUA)
- 6) Stathis Logothetis, Cosmic Stand (NTUA)
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## **Θέματα για εκπόνηση Master Thesis**

### **1) Λήψη και ανάλυση δεδομένων με το νέο Ανιχνευτή Μιονίων New Small Wheel του πειράματος ATLAS**

- Εργασία στο Σύστημα Λήψης Δεδομένων (Data Acquisition)
- Λήψη δεδομένων με κοσμικές ακτίνες
- Μελέτη της απόδοσης των ανιχνευτών του NSW με κοσμικά μίονια

### **2) Μελέτη Ανιχνευτή Μικρομέγας του New Small Wheel για το πείραμα ATLAS παρουσία νετρονίων**

- Λήψη δεδομένων με ανιχνευτές Μικρομέγας τύπου NSW με αντιστατική επικάλυψη
- Μελέτη Μικρομέγας με κοσμικά μίονια
- Ανίχνευση Κοσμικών Μιονίων χρησιμοποιώντας Cosmic Stand (Veto σπινθηριστών) παρουσία μεγάλης ροής νετρονίων μέσα στην Tandem. Η ροή νετρονίων θα ρυθμιστεί να είναι ίδια με τις ροές στο LHC.

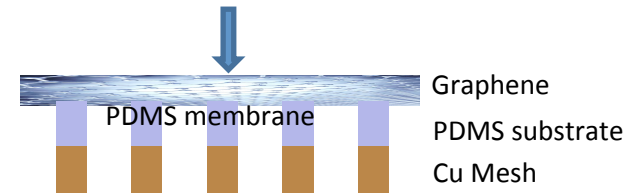
# BACKUP

# Transport Graphene on PDMS

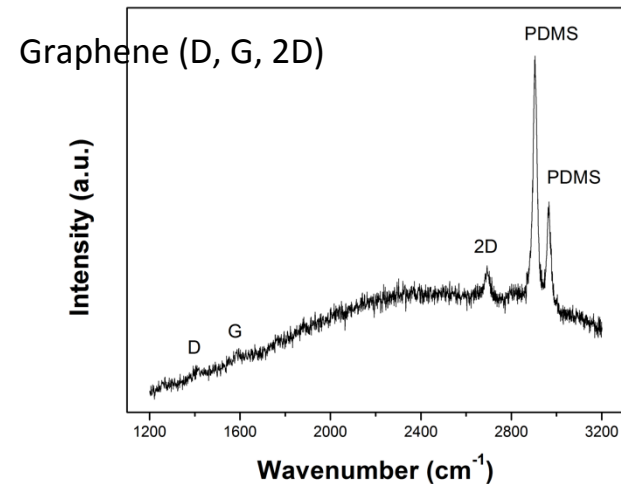
- i) Produce Graphene on Cu foil
- ii) Cover it with PMMA
- iii) Dissolve Cu
- iv) Place PMMA+Graphene on PDMS
- v) Dissolve PMMA

We have placed a graphene surface of  $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$  on to of the PDMS substrate

Deposition of graphene monolayer



▪ Raman spectroscopy was used to confirm the graphene transfer uniformly on the PDMS membrane



## Future plans

- 1) Optimize technique for the Graphene – PDMS – mesh membrane
- 2) Add GEM foil and test electron transparency
- 3) Measure gas diffusion through Graphene
- 4) Possibly lay double or triple layers





# SCREAM: Sampling Calorimetry with Resistive Anode MPGDs Resistive Bulk Micromegas for High Rate applications

## Collaboration

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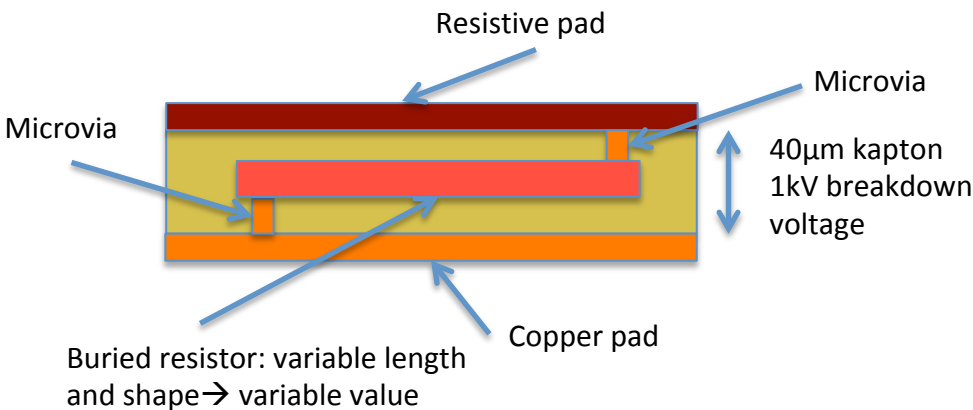
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## Future Resistive Micromegas applications within ATLAS

- 1) At HL-LHC (ATLAS upgrade) Muon High-Eta Tagger
- 2) At the Future Circular Collider (FCC)



1) T. Geralis et al., 'Development of resistive anode Micromegas for sampling calorimetry', *Proceedings of the MPGD2015 conference in EPJ Web of Conf.*, 174, 01017 (2018)

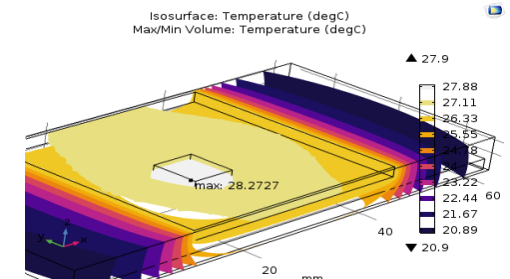
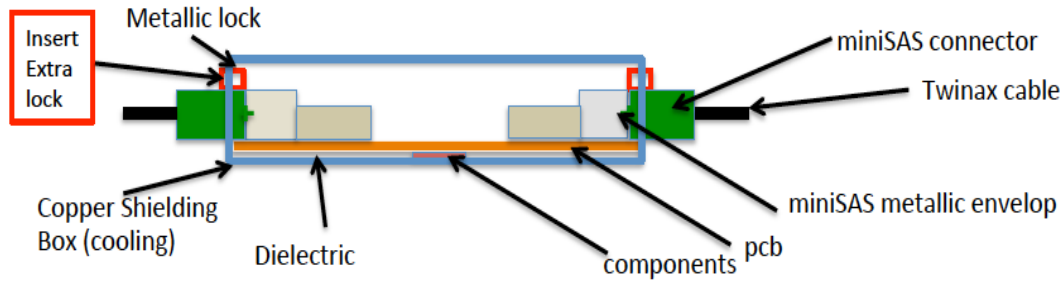
2) Publication in preparation (to be submitted to NIM ). Test beam data in Nov. 2018

### Optimization of Resistivity →

- Excellent linearity at Rates:  
0 - 10 MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- No discharges

# Shielding and Cooling

Copper box is designed as shielding and passive cooling at the same time



Temperature contour calculated using COMSOL with realistic power Dissipation and geometry (See talk by K. Damanakis)



Temperature was monitored and agrees With the COMSOL calculation

Shielding Box with the Serial Repeater Assembled. Label with bar code produced from the database



# VMM ASIC irradiation studies (2013 – 2018)

## Collaboration

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**VMM will be used at the s-LHC → Should test radiation tolerance and SEU ASIC specifications:** 130 nm Technology, 64 channels, BNL design

VMM will be used by ATLAS muon Micromegas group and also as the SRS FE chip

**Irradiation took place at the Tandem Accelerator**

Credits: T. Alexopoulos

Nuclear Reaction	Energy Range (MeV)	Range (MeV)	[0.1,0.5] MeV & quasimonoenergetic up to ~2.5 MeV
${}^7\text{Li}(p,n){}^7\text{Be}$	1.9 to 8.4	0.1 to 6.7*	** Quasimonoenergetic neutrons up to ~7.5 MeV
${}^2\text{H}(d,n){}^3\text{He}$	0.8 to 8.4	3.9 to 11.5**	*** Monoenergetic neutrons [16.4,22] MeV
${}^3\text{H}(d,n){}^4\text{He}$	0.8 to 8.4	16.4 to 25.7***	

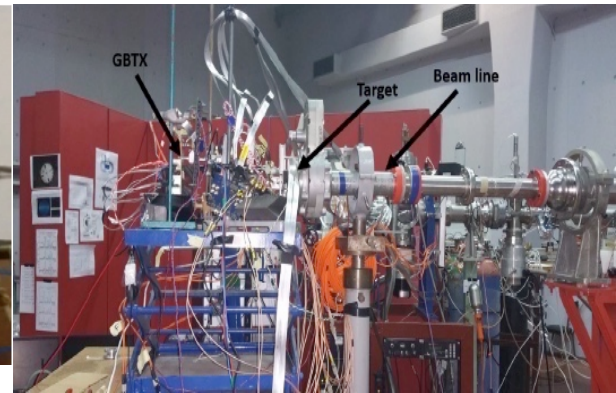
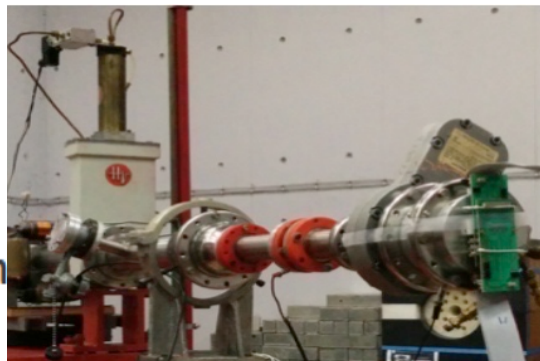
Tritium target (10 ci):

~ $10^6$  neutrons/cm<sup>2</sup>s of 18-22 MeV

Testing:

2 days @  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV, VMMs @ 26,36 mm

3 days @  $E_d = 4$  MeV, VMMs @ 12,21 mm



# NCSR Demokritos group responsibilities

## **D) Reconstruction software for the Muon and the NSW system (July 2019 – today) -- see George Stavropoulos talk**

- **Development of the NSW reconstruction software and porting of the whole Muon Reconstruction software in multithreading.**

## **E) R&D on Micromegas operation (ongoing)**

- **SRS readout system -- see talk by Vassilis Blanas**
- **Cosmic Stand system -- see talk by Olga Zormpa**
- **Cosmic muon detection under neutron irradiation**

## **F) sTGC Trigger Chain and the Chiller system (Oct. 2019 – Dec. 2019)**

- **Build autonomous station of Front End cards + Trigger boards + Felix**
- **Build the cooling system for the sTGC commissioning site**

## **G) Irradiation tests in Tandem**

# CONCLUSIONS

**INPP/ATLAS Group has undertaken important responsibilities within the NSW project:**

- **QA/QC of 200 L1DDC cards (1/4 of the total) and 600 ADDC cards (full production)**
- **Full responsibility of the Serial (SRL1R) and LVDS (LVD6R) Repeaters**
  - Finalized design, Completed preproduction, Laboratory and on detector testing
  - Completing Final Production of SRL1R and half of the LVD6R production
- **Plays major role on the Muon System and the NSW Reconstruction software**
  - Porting of the Muon software to Multithreading mode
  - New code for NSW in Multithreading
- **Plays important role in the commissioning of the sTGC**
  - Cooling systems manufacturing, testing, electronics, Trigger system

## **Plans:**

- Commissioning and Integration of the Repeaters on the NSW
- Participation in the Commissioning of the sTGCs and the Micromegas
- Development within the Trigger and DAQ system in NSW

## **R&Ds ongoing with lower priority in ELEA:**

- 1) Real x-y microbulk, 2) Resistive  $\mu\text{M}$  for High rates 3) Picosecond Micromegas
- 4) Double phase Micromegas with Graphene