

***Preliminary results  
from the cosmic data taking  
of the BESIII  
Cylindrical GEM detectors***

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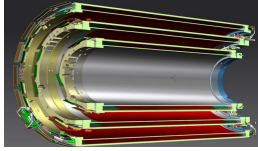
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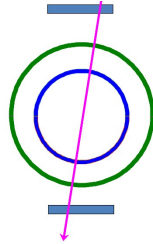


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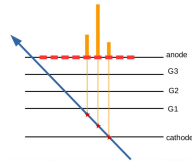
# Outline



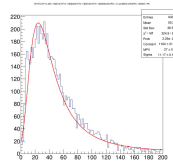
Cylindrical **GEM**: detector and electronics



Cosmic ray **setup**



Reconstruction and **analysis**

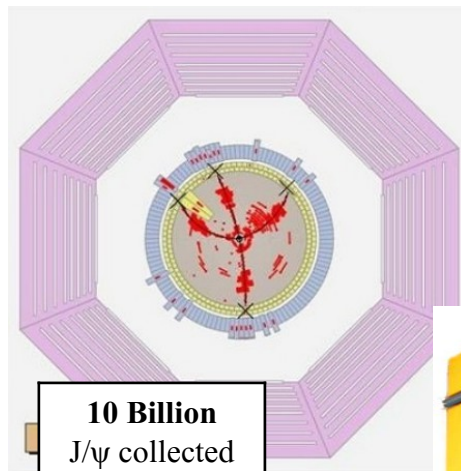


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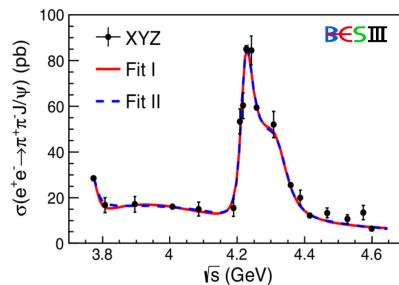


# BESIII experiment

- Beijing Electron-Positron Collider **BEPCII** and BEijing Spectrometer **BESIII** operate in the  $\tau$ -charm region
- Luminosity =  $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- **Energy<sub>cm</sub> : 2 - 4.6 (4.9) GeV**
- The main physic programs include:
  1. Light hadron physics with meson and baryon spectroscopy
  2. QDC exotics and XYZ charmed states
  3. Studies in  $\tau$ -charm region and R values
  4. Charm physics, CPV, D mixing, charmed baryon



**10 Billion**  
J/ $\psi$  collected  
on 2019



BEPCII

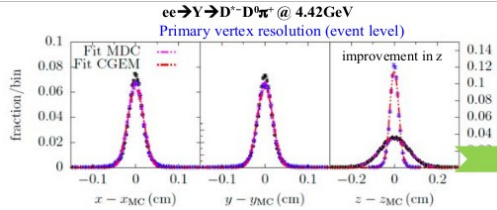


BESIII



# Cylindrical GEM Inner Tracker

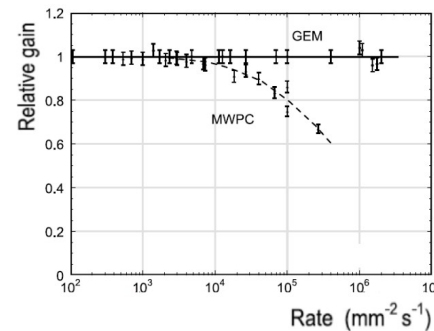
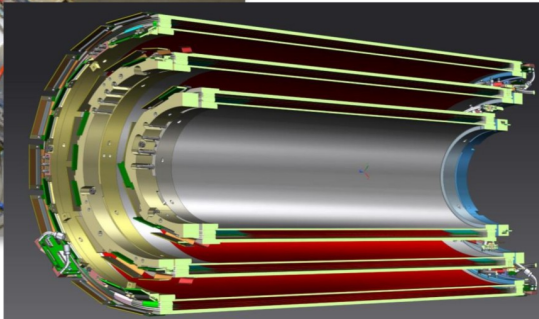
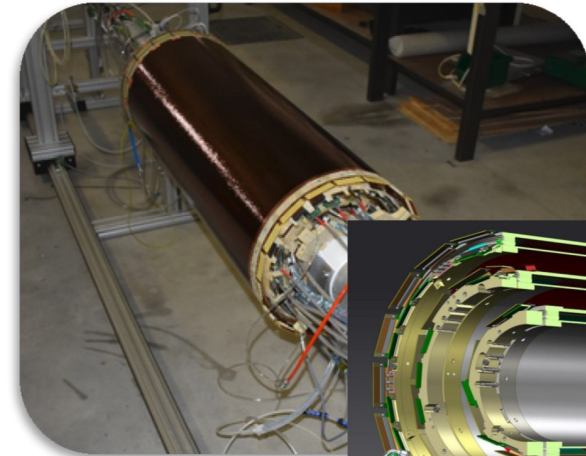
## Benchmark channel



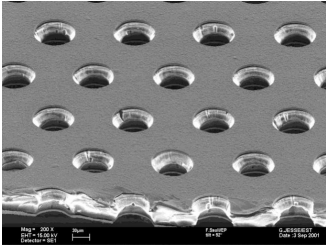
- A cylindrical GEM IT will replace the BESIII inner MDC since **aging** is affecting its performance
- A double view readout for **3D** reconstruction with time and charge measurements
- GEM technology improves the rate capability and the radiation hardness

## BESIII requirements

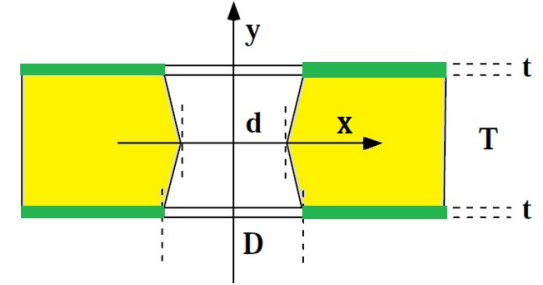
- Rate capability:  $\sim 10^4$  Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Spatial resolution:  $\sigma_{r_\phi} \sim 130 \mu\text{m}$  ;  $\sigma_z \sim 1\text{mm}$
- Momentum resolution:  $\sigma_{p_t}/P_t \sim 0.5\%$  @ 1 GeV
- Efficiency =  $\sim 98\%$
- Material budget  $\leq 1.5\% X_0$  in all layers
- Coverage: 93%  $4\pi$
- 1 Tesla magnetic field



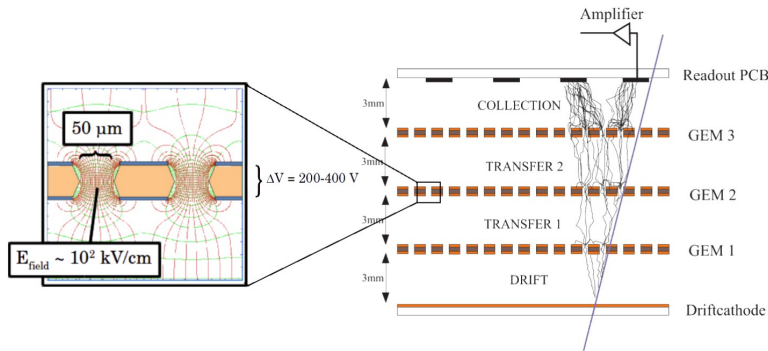
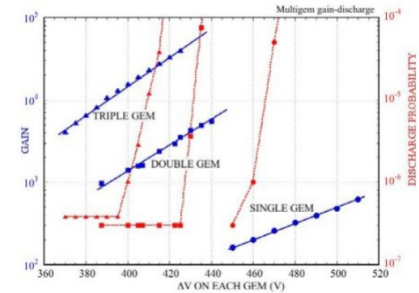
# Gas Electron Multiplier in a nutshell



Polymeric kapton foil ( $T = 50 \mu\text{m}$ )  
 Copper coated ( $t = 3/5 \mu\text{m}$ )  
 Pierced by etching technique ( $d = 50 \mu\text{m}$ )



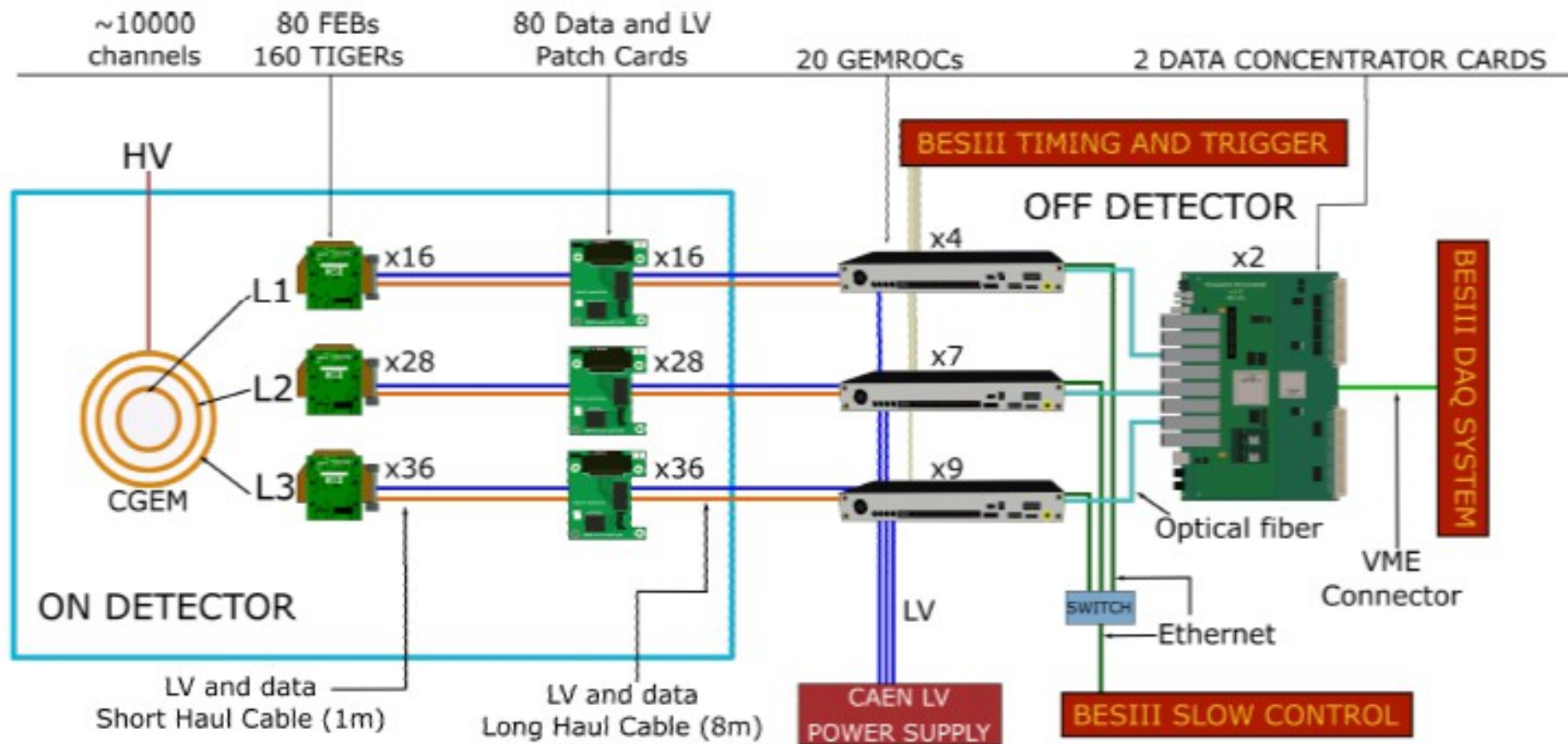
- GEM technology was invented by **F. Sauli** in 1997
- Hundreds of Volts applied on the **two copper faces** generate an electric field
- An electron entering the hole creates an **electron avalanche**



- Three amplification stages allow the triple-GEM to reach a **gain** of  $10^3 - 10^4$  while the **discharge probability** is below  $10^{-5}$



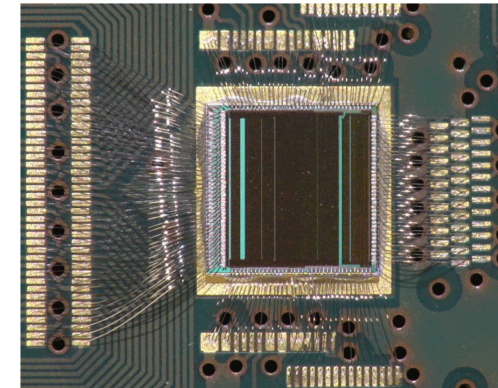
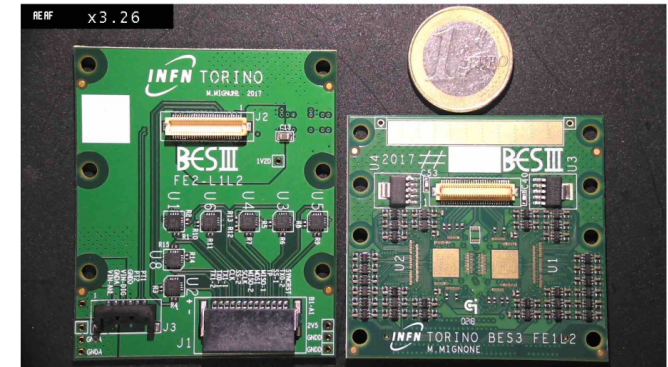
# Final readout chain



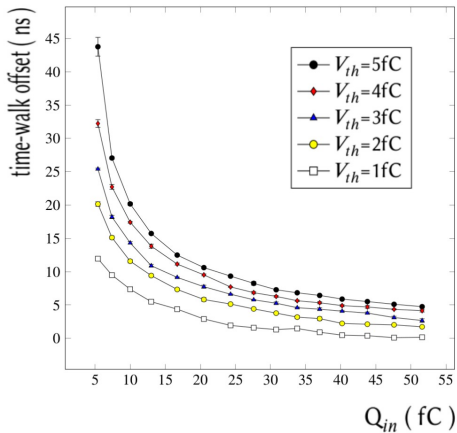
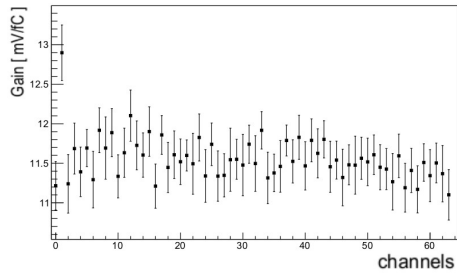
# TIGER chip

- TIGER: Torino Integrated Gem Electronics for Readout is a chip that provides **time** and **charge** measurement and features a fully digital output
- Each chip has **64 channels**
- Two readout methods are implemented: “sample and hold” or “time over threshold”

Parameters	Value
Input Charge	2-50 fC
Input Capacitance	Up to 100 pF
Data Rate	60 kHz/ch
Readout Mode	Trigger-less
Non-linearity	<1%
Charge Collection Time	60 ns
Time resolution	<5 ns
Power Consumption	<12 mW/ch
Technology	110 nm process



# TIGER characterization

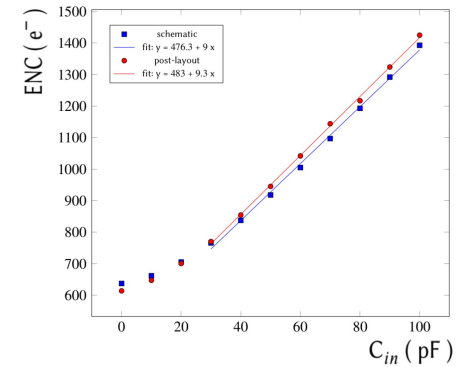
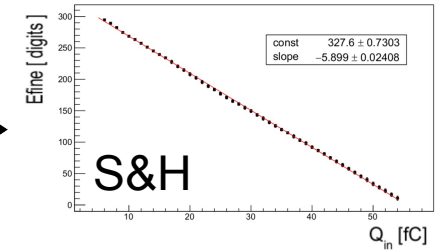
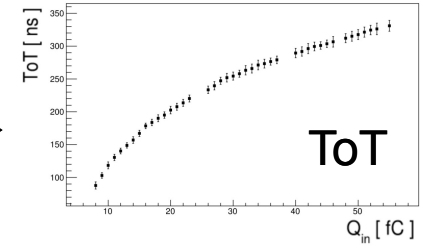


Calibration of the **dynamic range** with an external test pulse generator for **S/H** and **ToT**

**Baseline equalization** leads to an average gain of 12 mV/fC

Calibration of the **time-walk** contribution for different input charge and threshold

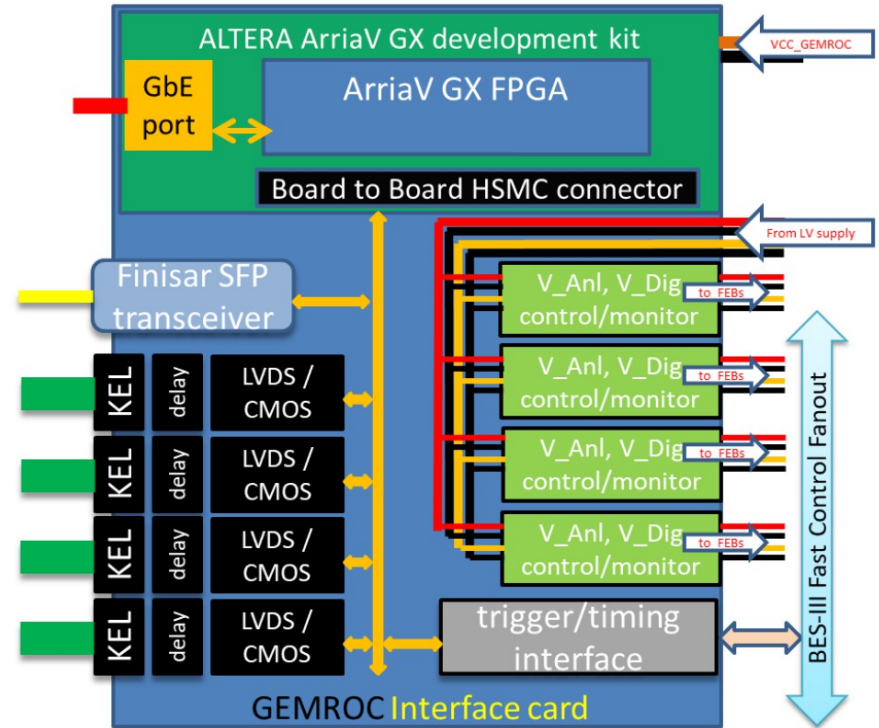
**Noise** evaluated for each input capacitance





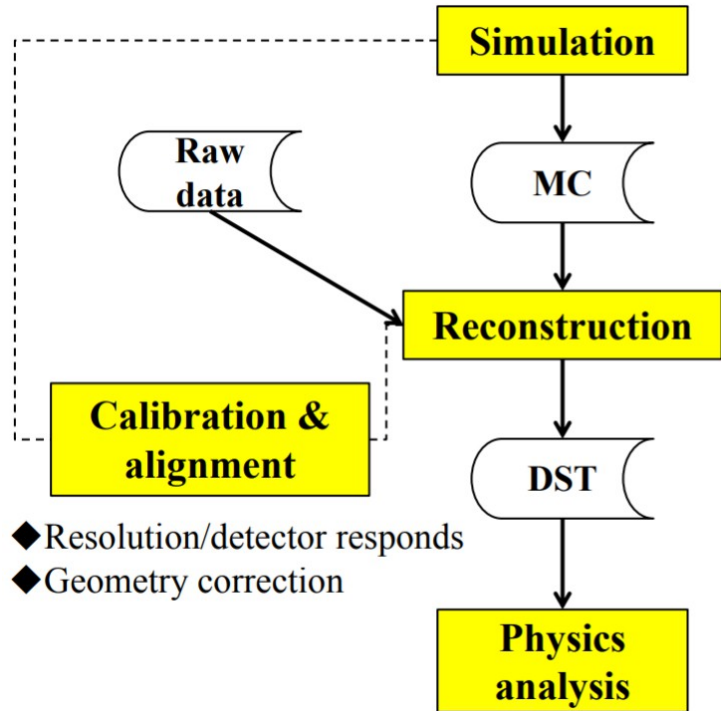
# GEM - Read Out Card module

- The off-detector readout electronics GEM-ROC **manages the LV**, the **configuration of the TIGER** and the **data collection** from the detector to the DAQ computer
- For each signal above the threshold, the TIGER chip sends its output to the GEMROC
- The GEMROC recovers the data from the proper memory slot for each trigger
- The entire readout electronics is designed to take care to up to 10k channels and a rate of 50 kHz per channel



# CGEM - Bes Offline Software System

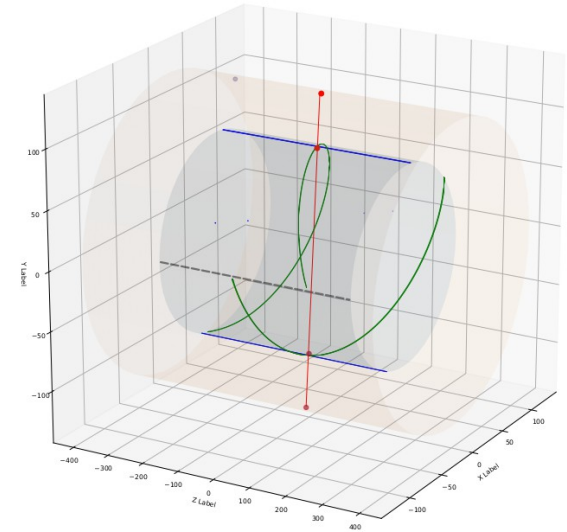
CGEMBOSS is the BESIII collaboration framework used for the data reconstruction, for simulation and physics analysis



- ◆ Detector description (Geometry/material)
- ◆ Digitization

- ◆ Cluster reconstruction
- ◆ Track segment finding with CGEM
- ◆ Track matching
- ◆ Global track finding with Hough transform
- ◆ Track fitting

- ◆ performance check (efficiency, resolution ...)

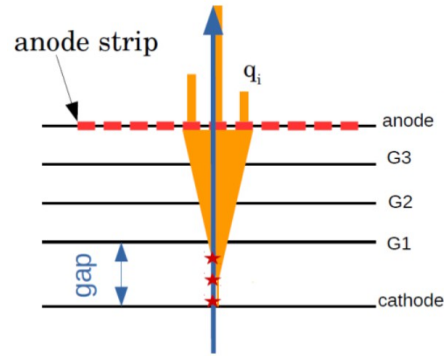


# Cluster digitization

**Contiguous strips** with charge higher than the threshold

particle position reconstruction → two algorithms are used:

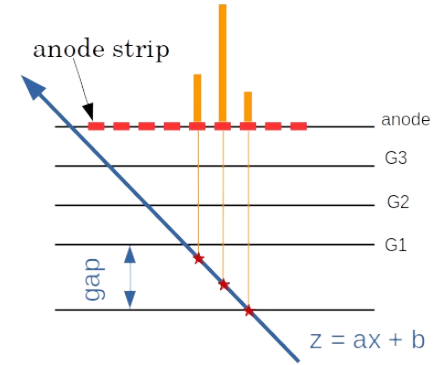
## Charge Centroid



position reconstructed as average of the fired strips  
weighted by the charge on each strip

$$x_{CC} = \frac{\sum_i^{N_{hit}} Q_{hit,i} x_{hit,i}}{\sum_i^{N_{hit}} Q_{hit,i}}$$

## micro-TPC

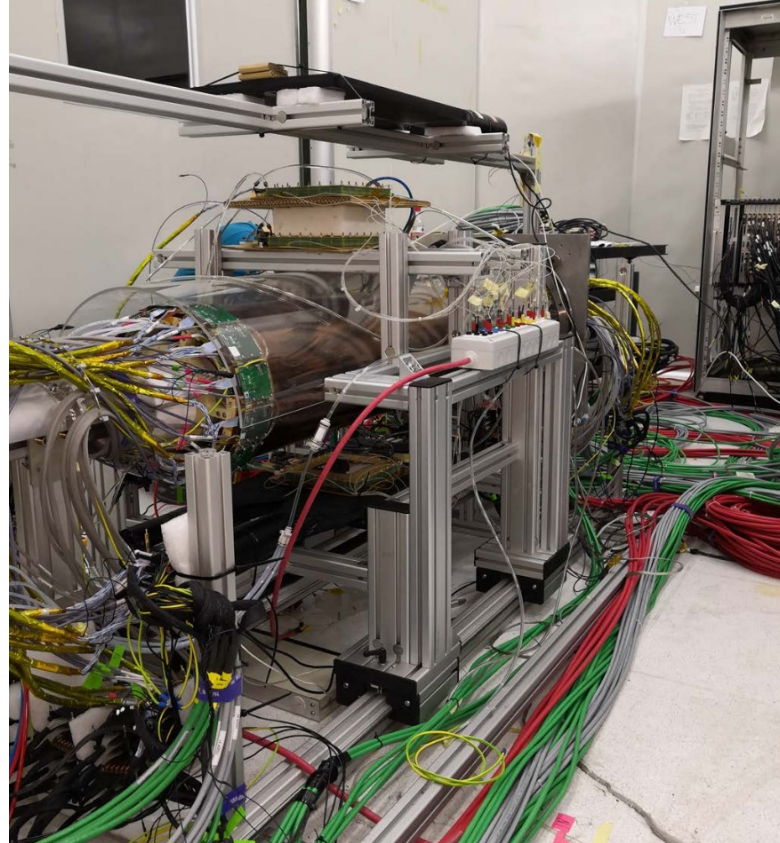


drift gap as a TPC gives the position of each ionization  
by the drift time and velocity → linear fit

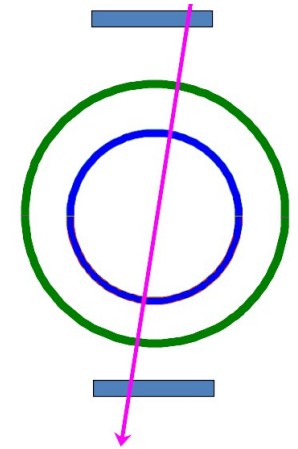
$$x_{\mu TPC} = \frac{gap/2 - b}{a}$$

# Cosmic setup status

- Two CGEM layers have been installed in a clean room in **Beijing** with a trigger system
- About **5k channels** are instrumented and readout by the on-detector and off-detector electronics
- **Debug** of the DAQ chain and the noise optimization are **ongoing**
- Fine alignment and time calibration are **not** yet implemented
- The third layer will be integrated with the other two after the summer
- An aluminum cylinder sustains the detectors



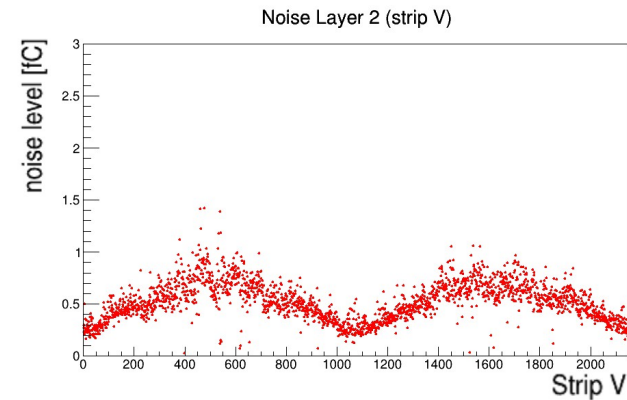
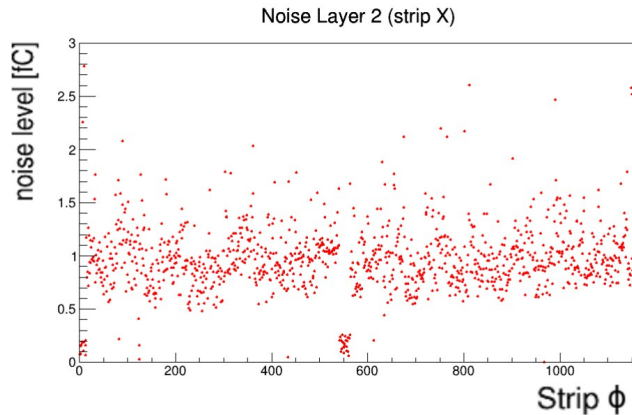
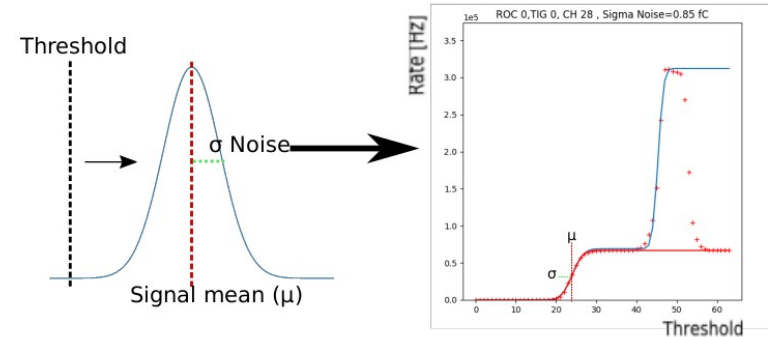
Cosmic ray  
Scintillating bar  
Layer 1  
Layer 2



**CGEM numbers**  
pitch: 650  $\mu\text{m}$   
gas mixture. :  
Ar+10% $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{10}$   
radius: 76.9 mm / 121.4 mm  
length: 532 mm / 690 mm

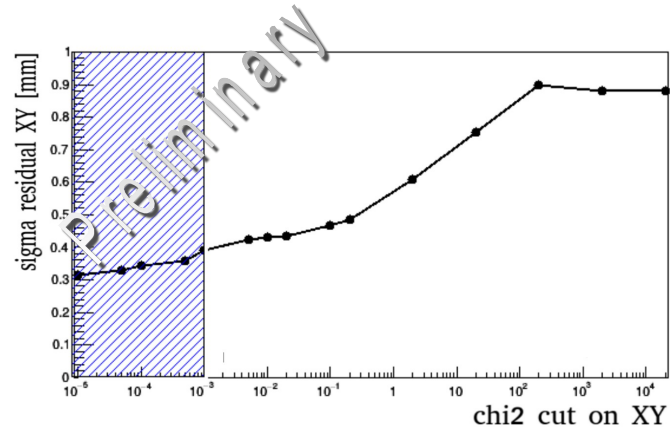
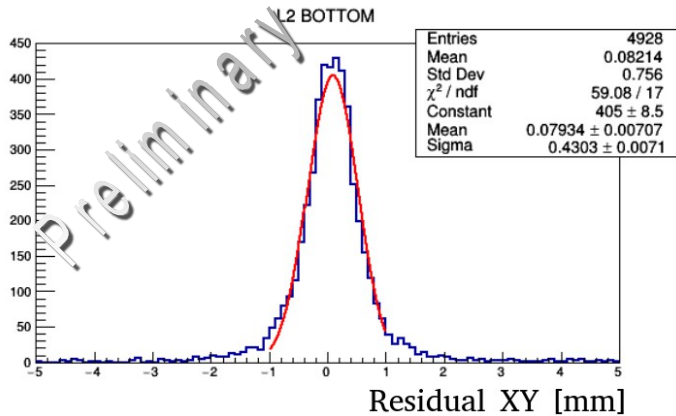
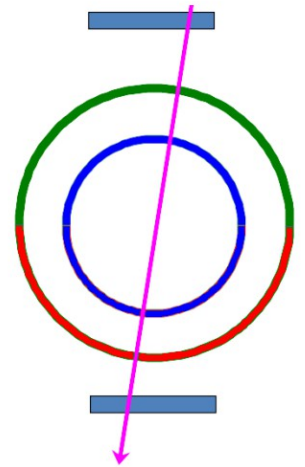
# Setup configuration: thresholds

- Calibration of the threshold performed channel by channel
- On chip test pulse is used to measure the width of the noise distribution
- Different behavior for strip X and V due to different strip length
- Equalization of the noise rate around 5kHz/channel



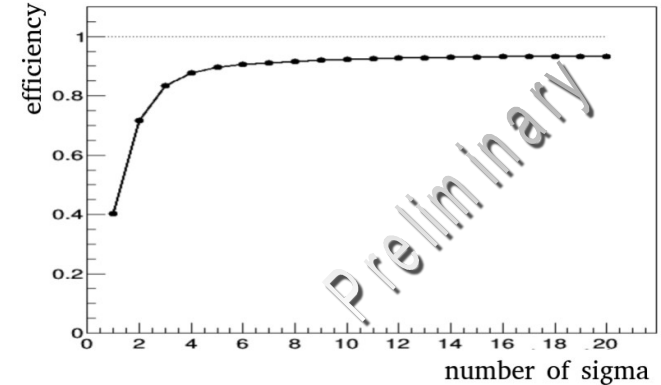
# Tracking system and signal evaluation

- Each cosmic ray creates two clusters for each CGEM layer: three points tracks the cosmic ray while the fourth characterizes the CGEM signal/detector
- The residual distribution of the fourth point position is fitted with a Gaussian distribution
- A **selection of the good tracks** is performed with a chi2 cut on the tracking system
- The position of the clusters up to now is measured with **charge centroid only**



# CGEM efficiency vs sigma of signal

- A Gaussian fit on the **residual distribution** is used to evaluate its sigma, then the range of good signal clusters
- A first preliminary measurement of the CGEM at plateau of **90-92 %** on the double view if **five sigma** is reached
- **Good events are still in the tails** of the residual distribution due to problems in the reconstruction (missing strips, mechanical support interference, etc ...)
- Actual DAQ chain bugs recude the data communication efficiency to 92-94 %

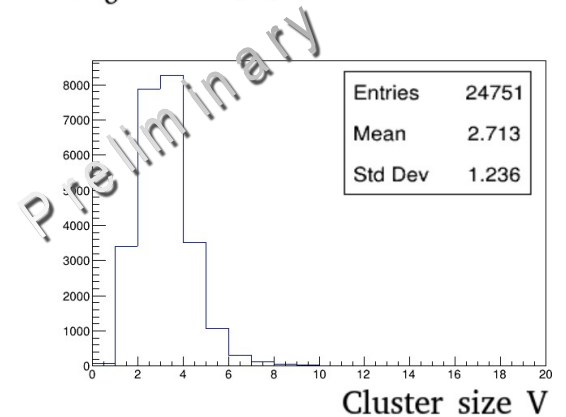
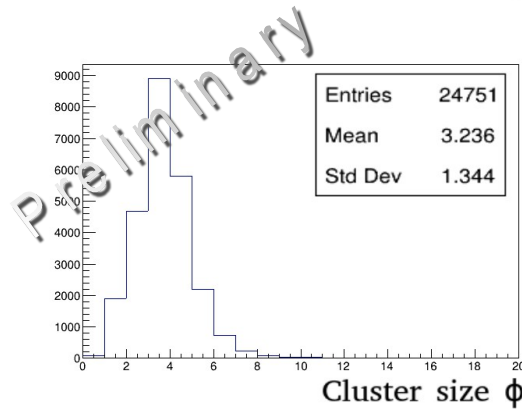
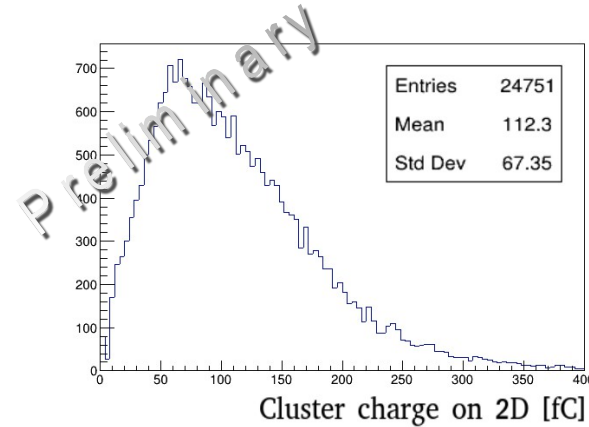


$$\epsilon = \frac{n^{\circ} \text{ of events in } N_{\text{sigma}}}{n^{\circ} \text{ of goodtracks}}$$



# Signal characterization

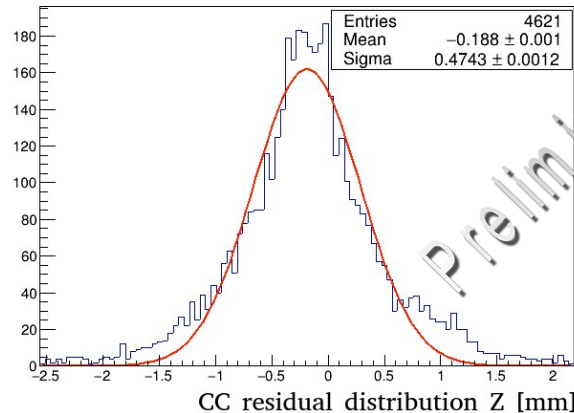
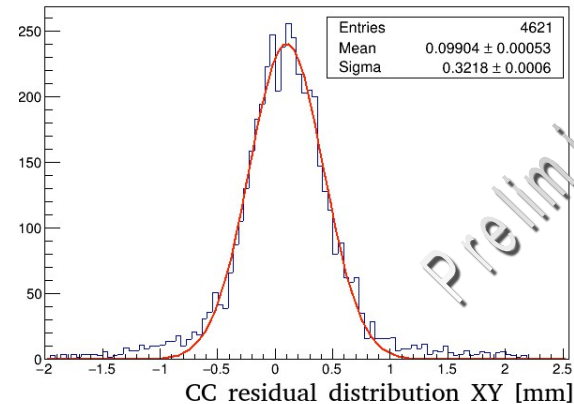
- Studies of the detector behavior are performed with the clusters within five sigma of the residual distribution
- A mean cluster charge above 100 fC on the 2D and a cluster size of about 3 for each view have been measured, as expected in this setup configuration





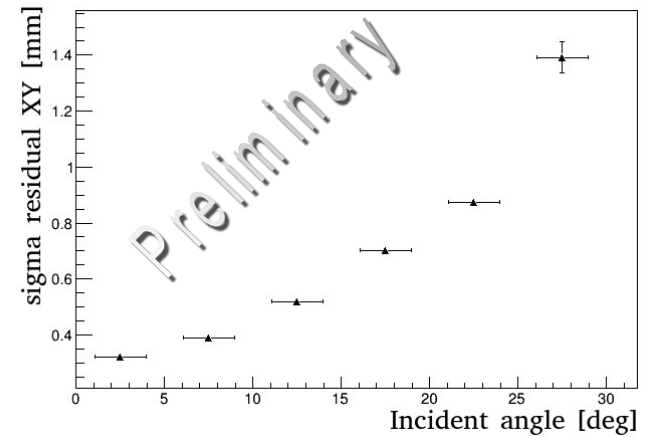
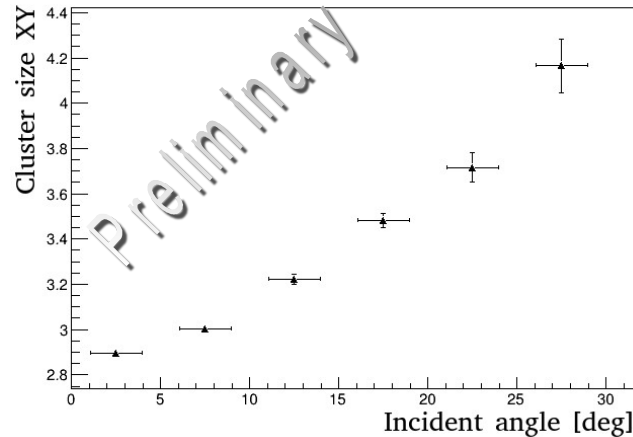
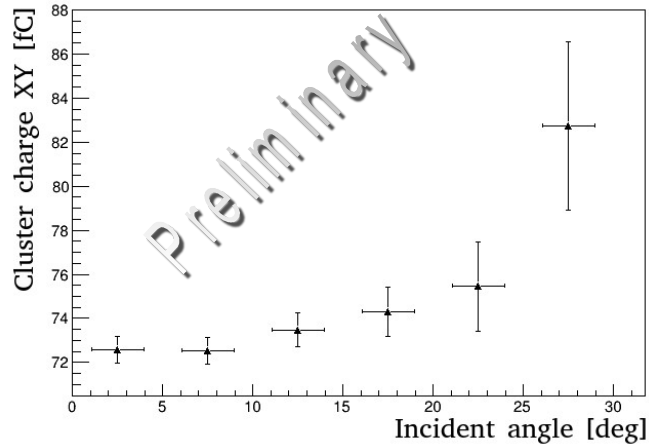
# Charge Centroid performance

- Despite the setup is **not optimal** due to the interference of the mechanical support, calibration and alignment not fully applied, good results have been achieved
- A Gaussian fit of the residual distribution of the CC position is used to extract a raw measurement of the resolution of the detector: the **sigma** of the fit contains the contribution of the **test chamber** resolution and the one of the **tracking system**
- Good tracks are selected with the **chi2 cut** and an incident **angle orthogonal** to the CGEM
- A **Monte-Carlo** simulation is used to evaluate the tracking system **contribution**. A resolution of about 250  $\mu\text{m}$  in XY plane and 350  $\mu\text{m}$  in Z direction have been extracted, if the resolution of each part of the detector is supposed to be the same.



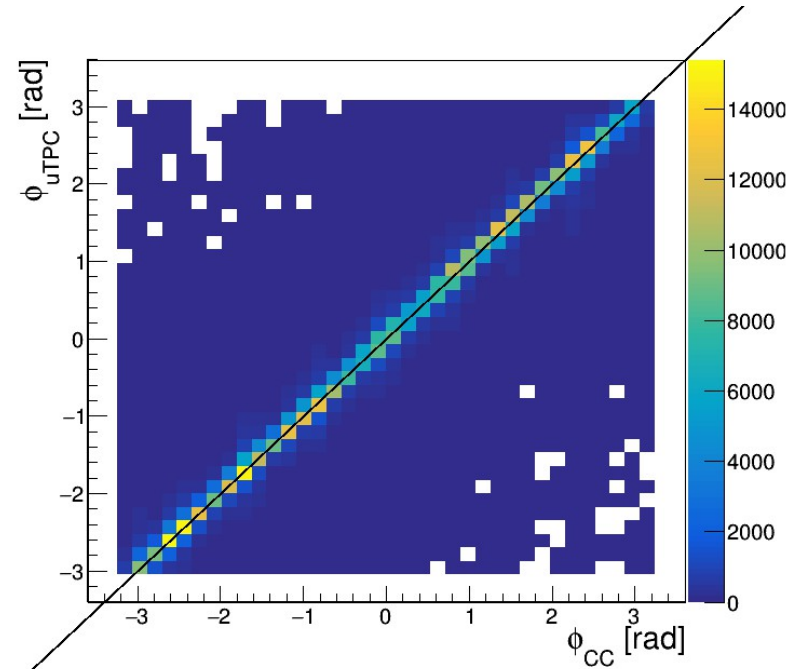
# Charge Centroid performance

- Evaluation on the single view (XY) of the cluster charge, size and CC residual shows a dependency of these variables on the incident angle between the cosmic ray and the CGEM surface
- As the angle increases, the cosmic ray ionizes on a longer path then charge and size increase too
- As the angle increases, the charge distribution collected at the anode is no more Gaussian and the CC degrades, as expected from planar triple-GEM studies



# First $\mu$ TPC event in a CGEM

- Time reconstruction is needed to extend the effectiveness of the reconstruction in the region where the CC degrades
- A first implementation of the  $\mu$ TPC method has been implemented in CGEMBOSS and the preliminary result shows a good correlation with the CC
- The reconstruction efficiency of this algorithm is above 98% if a cluster has at least 2 strips
- This method is more complicated than the CC and more work is needed for a proper reconstruction



# Conclusion

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- A cosmic ray stand has been instrumented with two CGEM layers in the last **three months**
- The detectors have been **integrated** with the final readout chain: more than 5k channels, 86 TIGER chips and 11 GEMROCs together with proper softwares to control configuration and acquisition (GUF1) and data reconstruction (CGEMBOSS)
- The noise level is in a good shape, within the expectations
- Despite the preliminary configuration of the setup and the work needed to improve the present situation, the signal shape (charge and size) follows the results from testbeams
- A **nice resolution of the CC** has been evaluated and the results in the Z direction are three times better than the current BESIII-MDC resolution
- The first reconstruction with  $\mu$ TPC in a **CGEM** read out by the **TIGER chip** has been implemented successfully



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