The TPC

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Field Cage Status

Infrastructure Status

Electronics Status

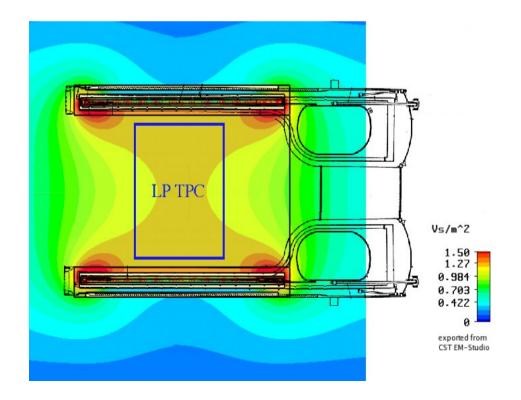
Others (Auxiliary systems)

The work described in here has been done in close collaboration with the LC-TPC collaboration

The TPC fieldcage

Goal: contruction of a field cage for a TPC to be used within the EUDET test beam infrastructure

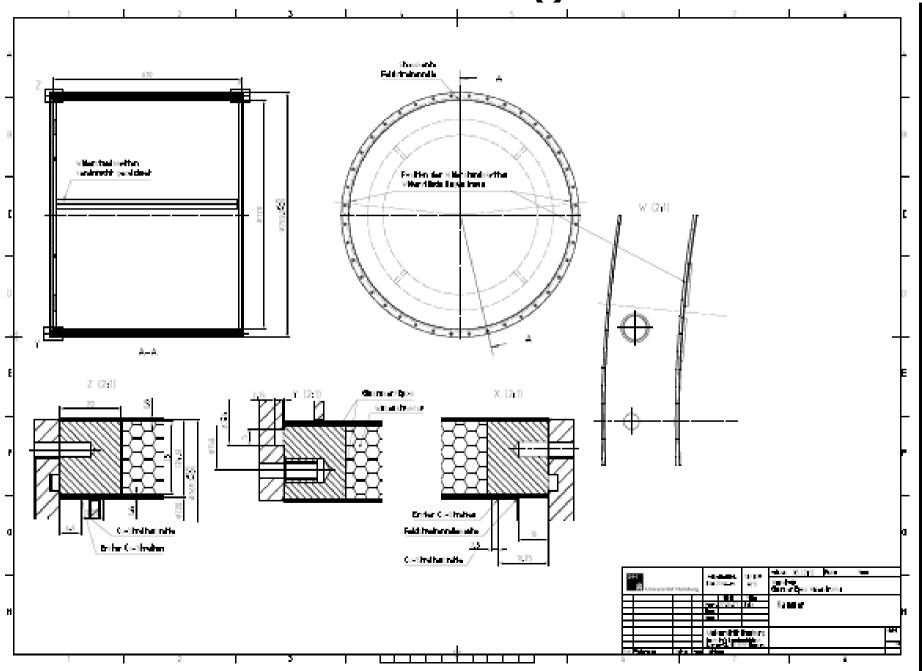
Dimensions: defined through the magnet (PCMAG)



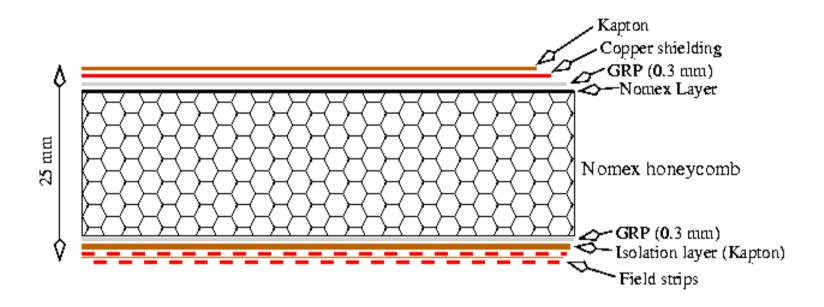
Diameter 76cm Length 61 cm

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The Design



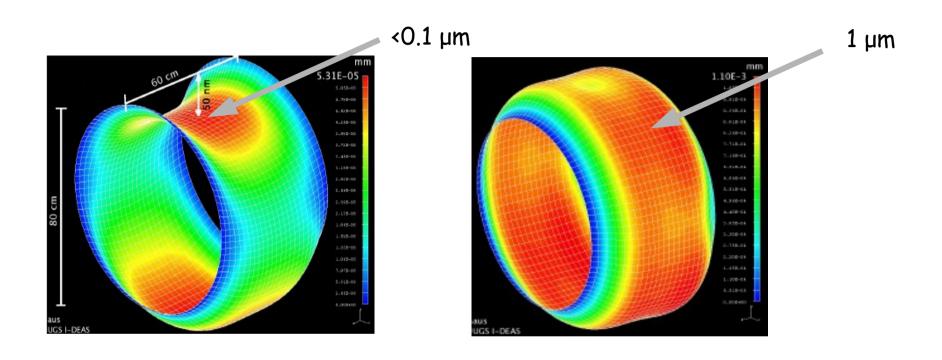
The Design



Challenge is the design of the wall of the field cage:

- light weight, thin, but very stable
- solution: composite structure,

Simulation of the Structure



Sag of the field cage under its own weight

Inflation of the field cage with 100 mbar overpressure

Planned structures is mechanically sound and meets requirements.

Experimental verification is pending

Schedule

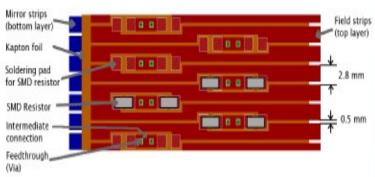
Design of field cage (DESY + LC-TPC collaboration): finished

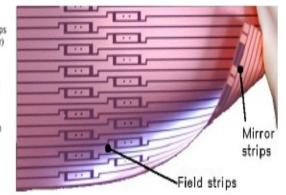
Negotiations with vendor for production of field-cage:

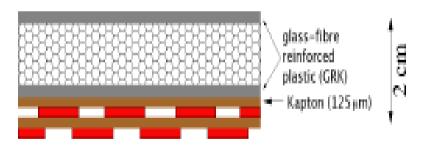
- Done with three companies
 - Selection of vendor December 2006
 - Detailed negotiations during January February 2007
 - Vendor pulls out due to technical problems in February 2007
- New search for additional vendors started in Spring 2007
 - Detailed negotiations started in April, test pieces received May and August 2007
 - Final agreement expected early September
- Schedule: delivery of Field Cage in November (5 month late)

Field shaping strips

Detailed design of field shaping strips finished including detailed simulation







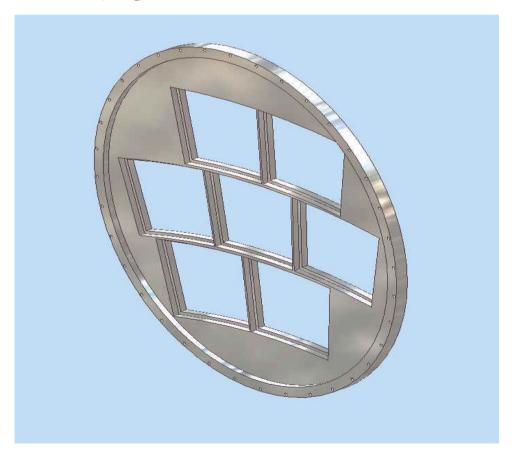
Production of first full size test piece failed

- Alternative technical solution has been developed
- Test pieces have been successfully produced, waiting for samples, then finalization
- Compatible with field cage production schedule

Interfaces

Interface between field cage and user groups has been defined

Design work on end plate and several readout structures is progressing within LC-TPC



Drawing of the endplate (LC-TPC)

Integration of Field Cage

Integration into Magnet Facility
Support structure
movable structure

Support structure

TPC

Si-ladder

Instrumentation
SI detectors
cosmic trigger hodoscopes

Readout Electronics

Two approaches are being followed:

"traditional" TPC electronics

Preamp - FADC - Signal processing based on Alice electronics

Preamp Version one successfully tested end 2006 Preamp Version two developed, submitted, expected for fall 2007

FADC + processing chips have been ordered, material for 1000 channel demonstrator are in hand

(there is still hope that a full system is operational end 2007)

DAQ

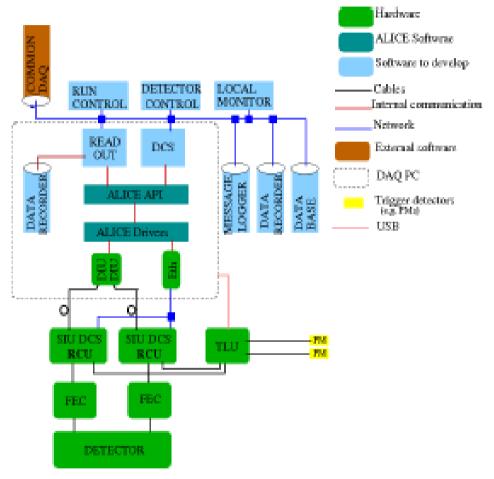


Figure 2: A schematic view of a possible design of the local DAQ

DAQ is based on ALICE DAQ

adopted to the ILC environment

and designed within the EUDET DAQ schemes

Auxiliary Systems

HV System: simple system is in hand, more sophisticated system (software controls, some hardware) will be developed starting fall '07

Slow controls: simple system exists, hardware has been ordered to extend this for large prototype operation

Fall 2007: new student will start to further develop the system negotiations are under way with external partner (Siegen University) to take over part of this responsibility

Overall Schedule

Fieldcage: delayed by ca 6 month, but now seems to be on track (most technical problems have been solved)

Fieldcage support and monitoring: on track for delivery in time for the field cage availability

Electronics: Hope to meet major milestone end of this year, production of full scale readout on track for commissioning of LC-TPC middle 2008

Auxiliaries: on Track, tough final systems are expected only in 2 quarter 2008

Summary: Overall project is progressing well, though with some delays due to hardware problems.

Financial Status

Hamburg: one scientists payed by EUDET: budget for 07/08 spent/ will be spent

DESY: Field cage

- one postdoc since 1/07
- estimated cost 10k, actual cost will be around 15k
- estimated cost HV 10k, will partially cover for field cage cost overrun

Electronics: (Lund/CERN) (information might be wrong or incomplete)

- EUDET money is supplemented by significant additional funds to provide a significant number of channels to the community in time with the large Prototype field cage