



LCTPC Collaboration Meeting – DESY

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First mechanical FEM studies on the advanced ILD-TPC

outline

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- 2) Proceeding and mechanical parameters
- 3) Three different „models“
- 4) Mechanical support of the ILD-TPC
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1 Introduction

The goal is, to gather some information about

- the mechanical stability of the ILD-TPC model
- The stress in the used material
- The strain energy
- The distortion of the fieldcage / endplate

...simulated with FEM

2 Proceeding and mechanical parameters

- three different models → progressive enhancements
- Different mechanical support of the ILD-TPC → suspended and supported system
- Different mechanical attachment on the fieldcage or endplate respectively
- Simple design!
 - » use of well known materials only
 - » all calculations base on an **isotropic behavior** of the used material (honeycomb shows in fact orthotropic behavior!)
 - » no further mass of cables, electronics, gas etc. included

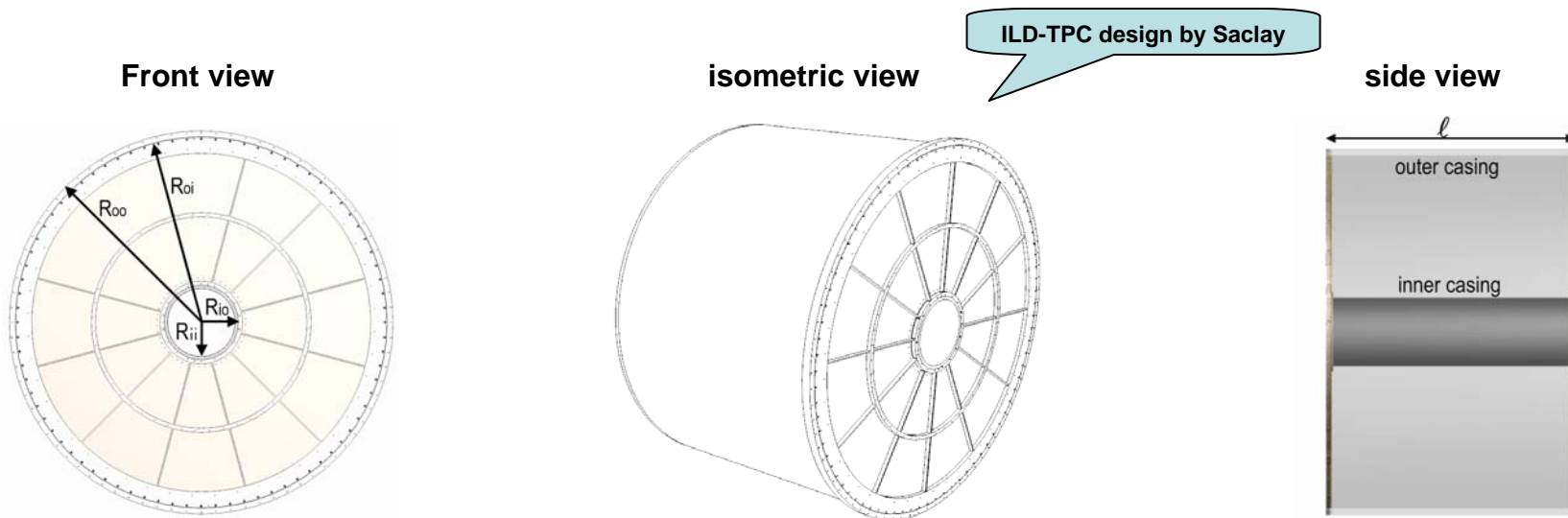
Parameters of the endplate / fieldcage

Endplate

- Material: Epoxy glass fiber (*I-DEAS* Desy data base material)
- Radius
 - R_{oo} : 1808 mm
 - R_{oi} : 1743 mm
 - R_{io} : 395 mm
 - R_{ii} : 330 mm
- Thickness: 100 mm

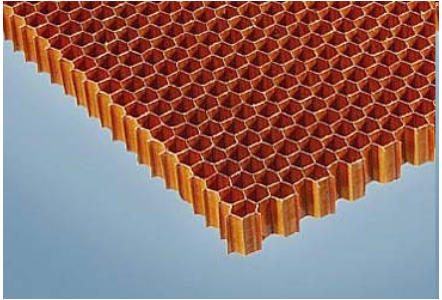
Fieldcage

- Material: different ply materials...
→ Creating of a test-laminate for the TPC casing...
- Total length: 4695 mm
- Thickness: up to 44mm (regarding to the model)



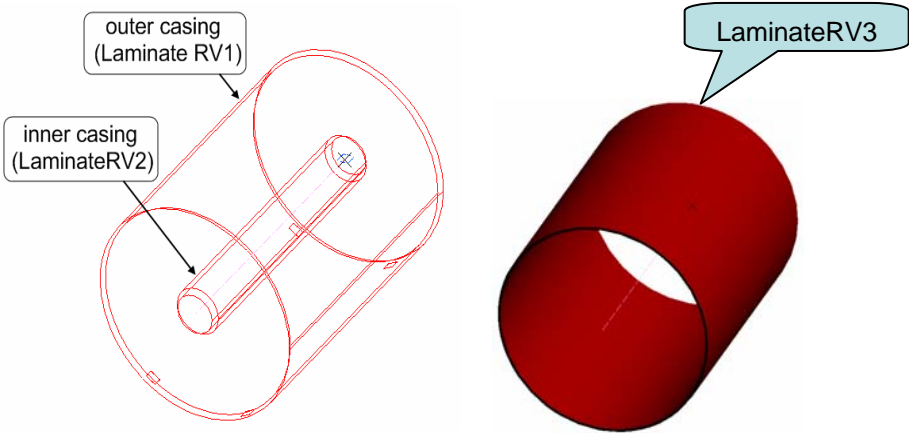
Parameter of the used material

- The nomex honeycomb used in the current LCTPC is a very complex material (orthotropic behavior and not all mechanical values available yet)



➤ Definition of different ply materials:

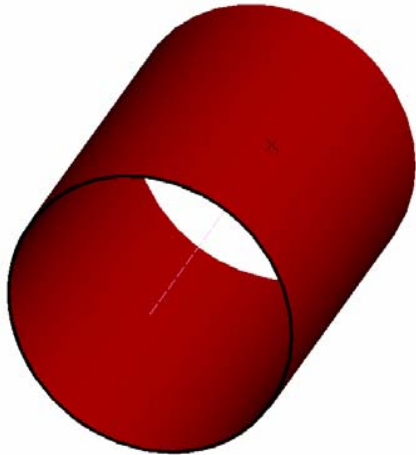
- LaminateRV1** 0.5mm GraphiteSemiconductor
5mm epoxy glass fiber
0.5mm GraphiteSemiconductor
- LaminateRV2** 2mm epoxy glass fiber
30mm GraphiteSemiconductor
2mm epoxy glass fiber
- LaminateRV3** 2mm epoxy glass fiber
40mm honeycomb similar structure
2mm epoxy glass fiber



3 Three different ILD-TPC models

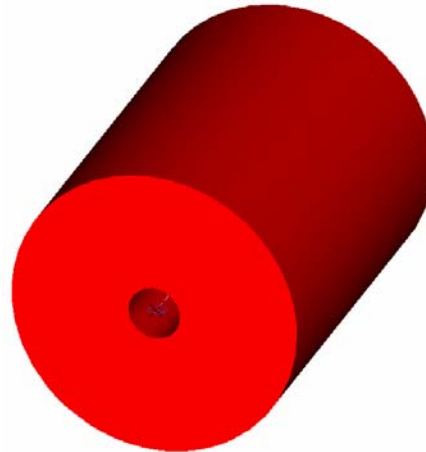
1st model

- Simple hollow cylinder without endplates



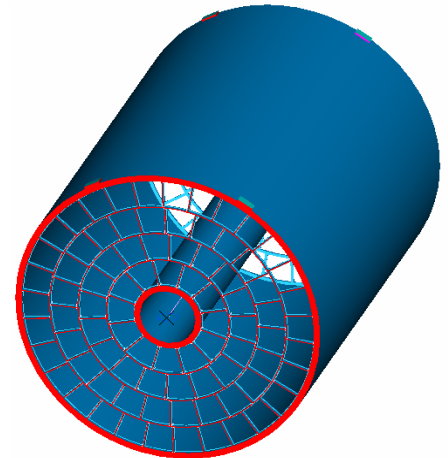
2nd model

- Inner and outer cylinder with solid endplates



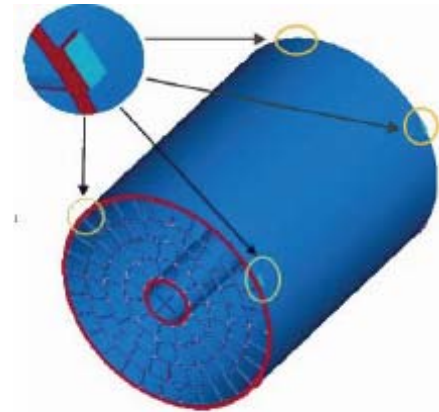
3rd model

- Inner and outer cylinder with advanced endplates

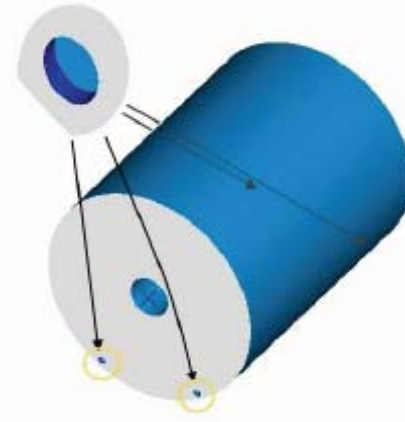


4 Mechanical support of the ILD-TPC

- Either a supported or a suspended system attached on the endplates or at the fieldcage
- No well-thought-out solution yet of the attachment to the TPC, so ...
- Simulation of a “virtual” attachment to the endplates or the fieldcage



a „virtual“
suspended
attachment
on the
fieldcage



a „virtual“
supported
attachment
on the
endplates

5 Simulations

□ 1st model: suspended (“hanging”) fieldcage

□ 2nd model:

- 1) suspended
 - i) on the fieldcage
 - ii) on the endplate
- 2) supported on the endplates

□ 3rd model:

- 1) suspended
 - i) on the fieldcage
 - ii) on the endplates
- 2) supported
 - i) on the fieldcage
 - ii) on the endplates

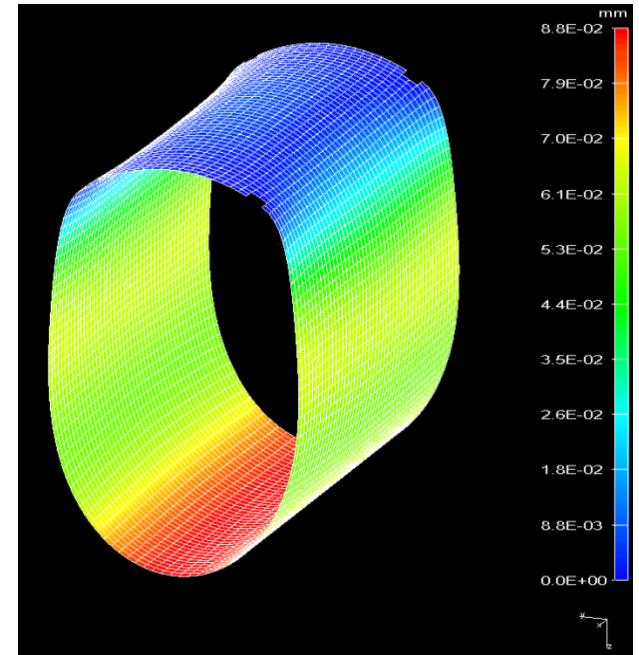
1st model

tensile stress

Boundary Conditions

bilateral hanging on two rectangular surfaces (150x200)mm on each side of the fieldcage, within 30° of axis each. surfaces constrained in all 6 DOF

gravity in +z



Meshing

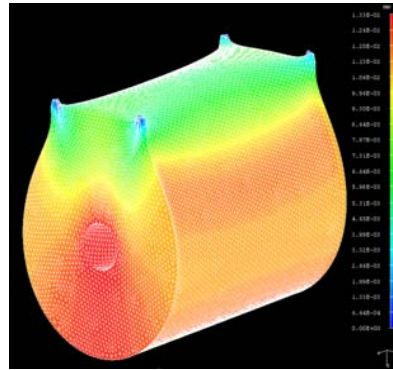
entity	material	mesh type	element length/type
outer casing	LaminatRV3	thin shell	100 / rectangle (4 nodes)

Results Solver

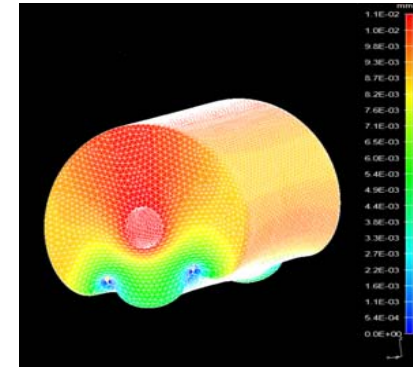
max. strain energy
max. displacement

1.0 N mm
88 μm

2nd model



tensile stress



compressive stress

Boundary Conditions

bilateral hanging on two circular surfaces (R=30mm) on the endplates within 30° of axis each.

circumference constrained in 6 DOF
gravity in +z

bilateral supported on two circular surfaces (R=30mm) on the endplates within 30° of axis each

circumference constrained in 6 DOF
gravity in -z

Meshing

entity	material
outer casing	LaminatRV1
inner casing	LaminatRV2
endplates	Epoxy glass fiber

mesh type	element length/type
thin shell	50 / triangle std
thin shell	50 / triangle std
thin shell	50 / triangle std

Results Solver

max. stress (von Mises)	21.3 N/mm ²
max. strain energy	0.56 N mm
max. displacement	13 μm

31 N/mm ²
0.57 N mm
11 μm

...2nd model

tensile stress

Boundary Conditions

bilateral hanging on two rectangular surfaces (150x200)mm on each side of the fieldcage, within 30° of axis each.

surfaces constrained in all 6 DOF
gravity in +z

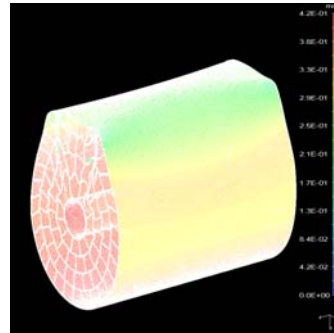
Meshing

entity	material	mesh type	element length/type
outer casing	LaminatRV1	thin shell	50 / triangle std
inner casing	LaminatRV2	thin shell	50 / triangle std
endplates	Epoxy glass fiber	thin shell	50 / triangle std

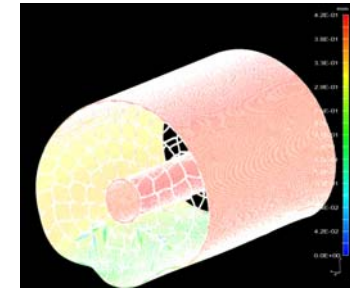
Results Solver

max. stress (von Mises)	2.5 N/mm ²
max. strain energy	1.0 N mm
max. displacement	3 μm

3rd model



tensile stress



compressive stress

Boundary Conditions

bilateral hanging on two circular surfaces (R=30mm) on the endplate within 30° of axis each.

circumference constrained in 6 DOF
gravity in +z

bilateral supported on two circular surfaces (R=30mm) on the endplate within 30° of axis each

circumference constrained in 6 DOF
gravity in -z

Meshing

entity	material
outer casing	LaminatRV1
inner casing	LaminatRV2
endplates	Epoxy glass fiber

mesh type	element length/type
thin shell	50 / triangle std
thin shell	50 / triangle std
thin shell	50 / triangle std

Results Solver

max. stress (von Mises)	280 N/mm ²
max. strain energy	350 N mm
max. displacement	420 μm

280 N/mm ²
350 N mm
420 μm

...3rd model

tensile stress

compressive stress

Boundary Conditions

bilateral hanging on two rectangular surfaces (100x200)mm on each side of the fieldcage, within 30° of axis each. surfaces constrained in all 6 DOF gravity in +z

bilateral supported on two rectangular surfaces (100x200)mm on each side of the fieldcage, within 30° of axis each. surfaces constrained in all 6 DOF gravity in -z

Meshing

entity

outer casing
inner casing
endplates

material

LaminatRV1
LaminatRV2
Epoxy glass fiber

mesh type

thin shell
thin shell
thin shell

element length/type

50 / rectangle (8nodes)
50 / rectangle (8nodes)
10 and 20 / rectangle (8nodes)

Results Solver

max. stress (von Mises)

770 N/mm²

770N/mm²

max. displacement

300 μm

300 μm

6 summary and outlook

- The FEM-simulations were made as a first rough idea!
 - Results are very preliminary and base onto the specific models though
- first results:
 - max. mechanical distortion of a suspended or supported ILD-TPC < 0.5 mm
 - Max. strain energies 350 N mm
 - Max. stress 770 N/mm²
 - A suspended or supported ILD-TPC system shows similar mechanical stability
- further simulations need more details:
 - Advanced ideas about the supported/suspended ILD-TPC system
 - A bigger *know-how* about composite materials (laminates with nomex honeycomb)
 - New (updated) ILD-TPC model?