# **Test Beam Setup**

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## Test Beam<br/>SetupTest Beam Setup



- Set up in DESY II test beam area T24/1 (e+/e- from 1 to 6 GeV/c):
  - Large field cage with modular end plate
  - PCMAG magnet mounted on movable
  - Lifting stage (3 axis)
  - HV, gas and slow control systems
  - Cosmic and beam trigger
  - Laser calibration system, planned: external silicon layers







# Test Beam Setup Test Beam Usage



### • 2008:

- Nov-Dec Micromegas module w/ resistive anode (T2K electronics)
- 2009:
  - Feb-Apr 3 Asian GEM Modules w/o Gating GEM (3,000ch ALTRO electronics)
  - Apr TDC electronics with an Asian GEM Module
  - Apr-May Maintenance of PCMAG
  - May-Jun Micromegas w/ two different resistive anodes (New T2K electronics) Setup and test of laser–cathode calibration
  - Jun GEM+Timepix (Bonn)
  - Jun Installation of PCMAG moving stage and SiTR support
  - Jul TDC electronics with an Asian GEM module ALTRO electronics study w/ Asian GEM
  - Jul-Aug Full installation of PCMAG moving stage
  - Aug Micromegas w/o resistive anode with lasercathode calibration
  - Sep Bonn GEM module (small area GEM with ALTRO electronics)
  - Nov Micromegas with SiTR

## • 2010:

• Mar Micromegas using PCMAG movable table.

### Mar+Sept

3 Asian GEM modules w/ gating GEM or a field shaper using the PCMAG movable table (7616ch ALTRO electronic)

- Dec Octopuce (8 Ingrids) test on LP with 1T (Saclay/Nikhef)
- 2011:
  - Apr First test of DESY GridGEM module (B=0T)
  - May New AFTER electronics for Micromegas
    Installation of new cosmic trigger logic
  - Jun/Jul DESY GridGEM module with ALTRO read-out
  - Jul PCMAG shipped to Japan
- 2012:
  - Mar Return of PCMAG
  - Apr-Jun Installation of upgraded PCMAG
  - Summer / Autumn (tentative):
    - Test with 7 Micromegas modules with integrated AFTER electronics
    - Test of Japanese GEM modules
    - Test of DESY GridGEM module

#### **Test Beam** Large TPC Prototype Setup

- Light weight; made of composite materials
- Ø 72cm, L= 61cm
- Modular end plate, up to 7 read-out modules



• 2<sup>nd</sup> field cage to fix mechanical inaccuracies: autumn/winter of 2012



Investigation of HV stability ongoing



• Studies for "next generation" cathode based on stretched foil: on hold



# Test Beam Setup Test Beam Area – PCMAG Upgrade



- Power:
  - Improved cables for PCMAG up to 448A, 1kV
  - New power lines for PCMAG compressors: 35A each
- Instead of water chiller: cooling water
  - 7 °C
  - From central DESY lines
  - Available 20. April



## Test Beam Setup Test Beam Area – PCMAG Upgrade



- Area for compressors and new power lines cleared
- Power lines to PCMAG will be replaced
- 2<sup>nd</sup> rack for PCMAG monitoring/steering
- New arm for guiding pipes and cables to PCMAG









- Work to prepare T24/1 for upgraded PCMAG ongoing
- Current schedule (tentative)
  - Till mid/end April •
    - Installation of PCMAG in movable stage
    - Installation of additional power and cooling water lines
  - End of May till mid July
    - Installation work at stage, alignment, new magnet power cables
    - Installation of compressors and monitoring & steering racks
    - Cooldown / test runs / settings of dump resistor and quench protection
  - Setup available end of June



## Test Beam<br/>SetupMovable Stage

- PCMAG left DESY 26. July '11
- During absence: work on the movable stage
  - Improved cabling including end switches, stop buttons and other safety devices
  - Position measurement system
  - Axis covers, improved holding structure, etc.
  - "Steering rack" upgraded till beginning of May





### Test Beam Setup Movable Stage

 New movable table for LP and ALTRO rings installation and mounting (currently being modified to include height adjustment ↔ uneven ground)

- New steering software
  - Includes position measurement from new, external system and signal from end switches
  - Basic user part (nearly) ready
  - Expert GUI under development

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Current end plate modified to include additional ring for position measurement





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**Test Beam LP Support Structure Measurement Setup** 



• Bending under weight in the order of 100  $\mu$ m





### Test Beam Setup Odds and Ends

- Air compressor for ALTRO cooling might be available again in summer
  - Alternatives being discussed
- Hodoscope: on hold
  - Zeus vertex detector parts available except Helix driver card
  - Still no manpower to work on this
- Module insertion tool: on hold
  - Ideas discussed, next steps defined
  - Due to overlap with other project delayed; not ready for test period this summer





- Demand for use of T24 increasing (already 4 users this year)  $\rightarrow$  we will have to coordinate our schedule with other users
- Will be worse in 2013: SPS shutdown
  - DESY test beam coordinators expect high traffic
  - Planning already started
  - 3 months shutdown in March, April, May
- Known plans:
  - June: Micromegas 7 module test (postpone due to PCMAG?)
  - End of summer / autumn: Japanese and DESY module tests
  - Anybody else? Please inform me as soon as possible.