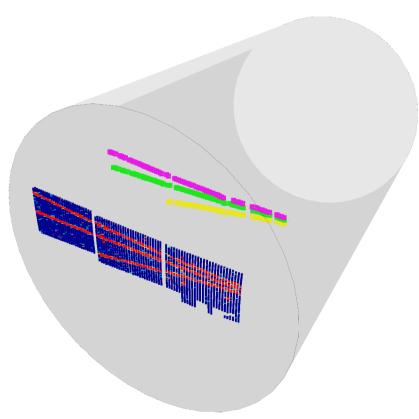
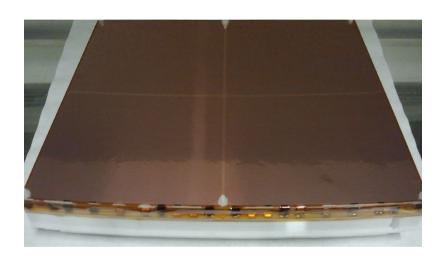
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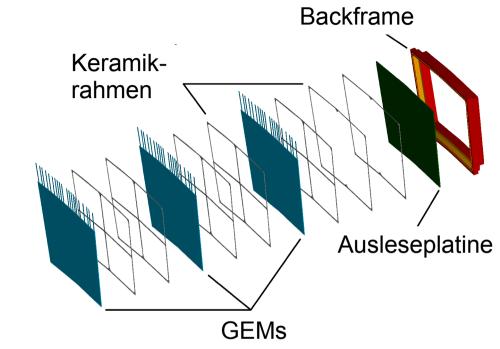


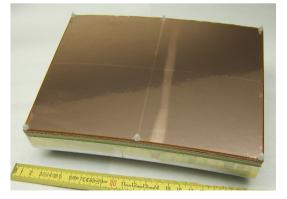
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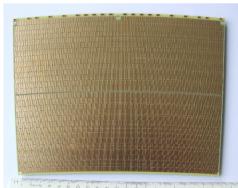


- Goals:
  - Minimal material budget
  - Maximal sensitive area
  - Minimal gaps
- Integrated, self supporting GEM/ceramics structure
  - Stack of 3 GEMs on thin ceramic frames

- Size, shape as planned for ILD TPC endplate
  - Area ~ 17 x 23 cm²
- Padplane
  - 28 rows
  - Pad size: 1,26 x 5,85 mm²





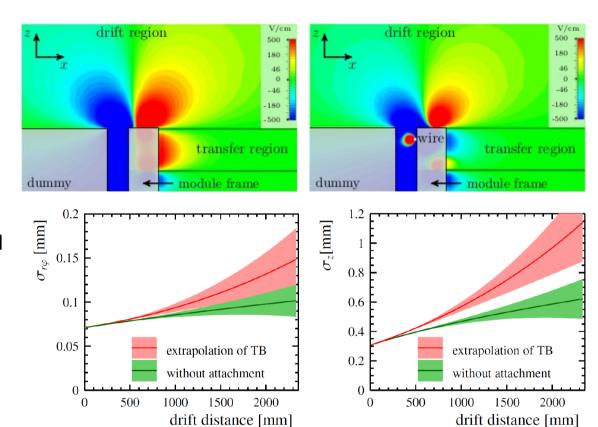


## **New Iteration**



- Last module iteration worked well during testbeam effort in 2013
  - HV stable during testbeam
  - Guard ring reduced field distortions significantly
  - Alignment procedure established
  - Excellent hit efficiency > 99.5%
  - Point resolution requirements in z and rφ reached
- > R&D and goals for new iteration
  - Improved, reproducible production techniques
  - Controlled, improved GEM flatness
  - Optimized guard ring
  - Revised mechanics and drawings
  - Long term HV stability → see Oleksiy's presentation

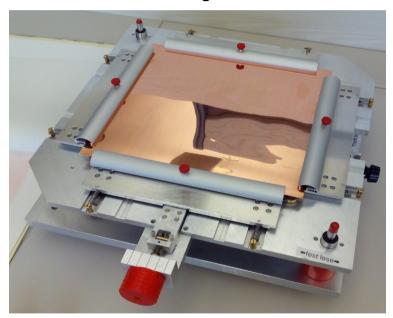


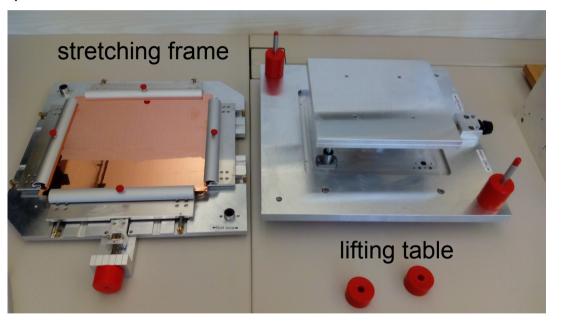


# Improved, reproducible production techniques



- GEM mounting in ceramic frames
  - Before done by manual stretching on aluminum form and fixing by tape
  - New, flatter aluminum form for flatness measurements produced
  - New GEM mounting tool for controlled, reproducible construction



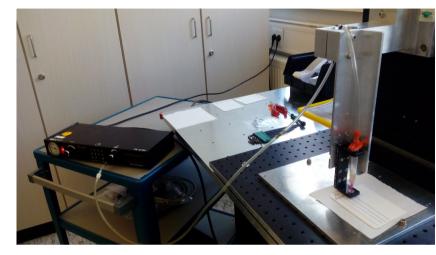


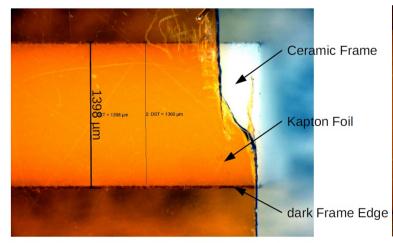
Low force stretching of GEM foils during mounting, controlled merging of GEM and frame for gluing

# Improved, reproducible production techniques

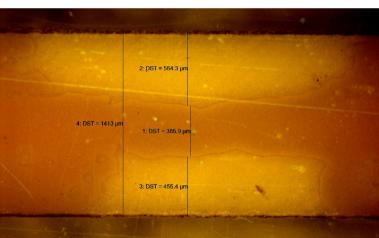


- Repeated/extended previous gluing tests
  - Different glues, table speeds and syringe pressures
  - Result: Stycast 1266, 10mm/s speed, 10psi

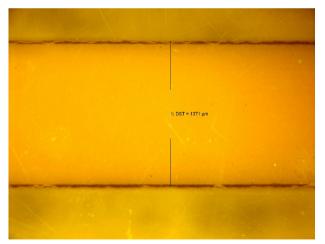




Schematics without glue



Example showing result using too high speed



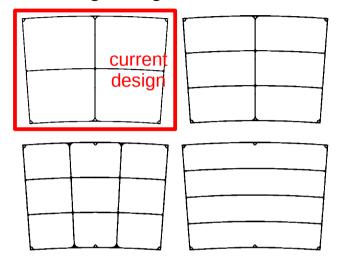
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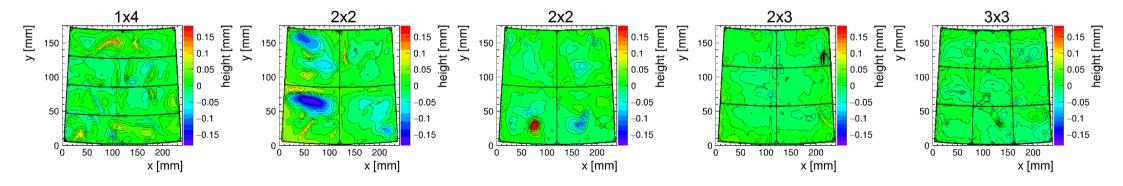
# **Ceramic Frame Geometry**



> Study of four different frame geometries regarding GEM flatness using aluminium frames



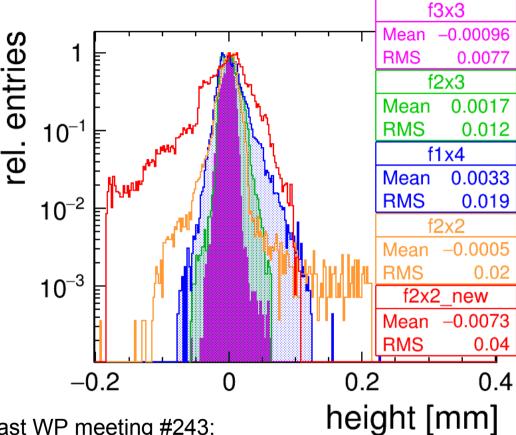




# **Ceramic Frame Geometry**



- Variation for same geometry can be bigger than between different geometries
  - e.g. 2x2 old and new
- No clear preference for one frame geometry
- Gathering more statistics by repeating takes too long for the current test beam preparations
  - Established 2x2 design will be used for this module iteration
- More intense tests planned on flattening GEM foils by overstretching with large force before mounting



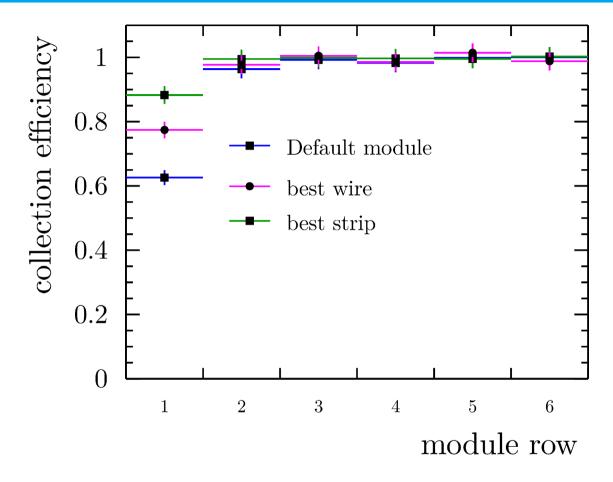
- More on flatness studies in Paul's presentation in last WP meeting #243: http://agenda.linearcollider.org/event/7083/
- Remark: study of impact of gaps on ILD TPC performance would be interesting as input to decide future frame designs



# **Ceramic frames**



- > New ceramics supplier
- > Plates and cutting from same company
- Guaranteed flatness: 0.3%
- Possibility to produce guard ring as a strip directly onto a frame
- > Frame design ready, ordering in progress

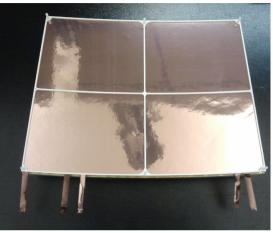


#### **GEM foils**



- Adjusted GEM foil design
  - Before, all 3 foils with the same layout
- Now HV supply lines separately for each foil
  - Avoids sharp edges from cutted HV lines
  - Saves some insulation by Kapton tape
- Fixed mismatch in frame/foil drawings: perforation did go under the ceramic frame → adjusted according to gluing tests
- Topmost GEM: more area coverage of the copper coating
- Design to be finished this week



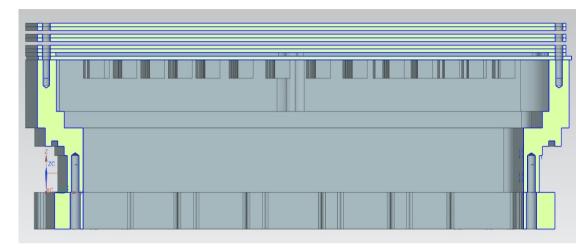




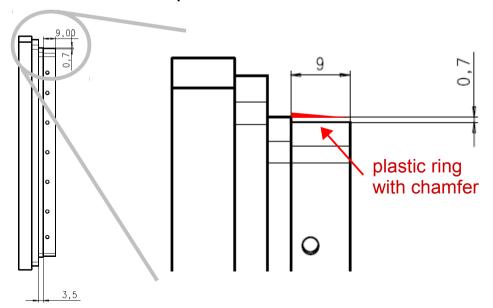
# **Mechanics**

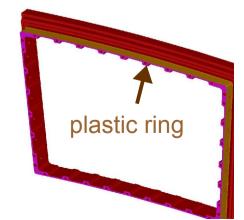


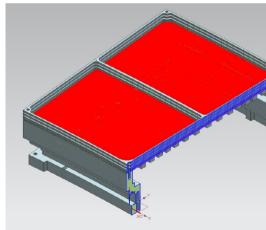
- Adjusted and reviewed design/drawings of all components (backframe, pad plane, frames, GEMs)
  - Detected small offsets of different parts in previous drawings which have been corrected



Introduced plastic ring at backframe for easier insertion into endplate without aluminum abrasion









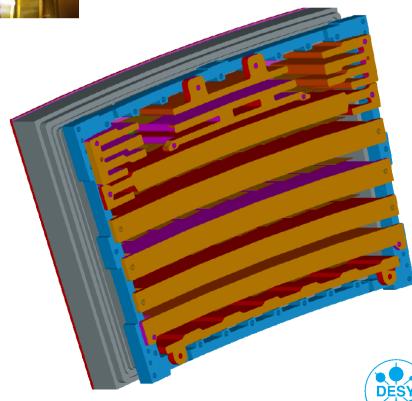
## **Mechanics**



- ALTRO plug holding clamps
  - Old design did not perfectly fit
  - Did not hold plugs reliably in place
    - → loss of readout channels
  - Applied pressure to pad plane
    - → spoiled gas tightness at glueing between pad board and backframe
- New design ready
  - Fastened by same screws as mounting bracket
  - Made with rapid prototyping printer (lightweight)
  - Nearly zero force on the pad board
  - Next step: tests with samples
- Pad board adjustment to be able to include HV protection (see Oleksiy's presentation)
  - Board design ready
  - Ordering in progress







## **Testbeam + Planned Measurements**



- Testbeam measurements planned for Sep. 12th to October 3rd this year
  - Tight schedule due to delivery times and testing
- Measurement Plan (not only testbeam):
  - Standard LCTPC test beam agenda +
    - more beam momentum scans: at different drift positions and magnetic fields
    - more angle scans: at different drift positions (>2)
    - larger angle coverage in angle scans
  - Double hit/track studies (with target)?
  - Distortions studies using laser?
  - dE/dx (calibration with pulsing GEMs and/or source)?
  - Long term HV stability tests

## Conclusion



- New GridGEM module under development including improvements based on experience with the previous iteration
- Designs and construction techniques are being / have been improved
- Improved GEM flatness and distortion control
  - Long term HV stability not covered here
- > Time is tight, but we are still on schedule for our testbeam in September