
Input from eRD108 for MPGD Technology choices

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EIC Detector 1 Tracking WG

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EIC detector 1 Barrel Tracker: Original layout

❖ hpDIRC MPGD: Planar MPGD rectangular module (~400 cm × 36 cm)

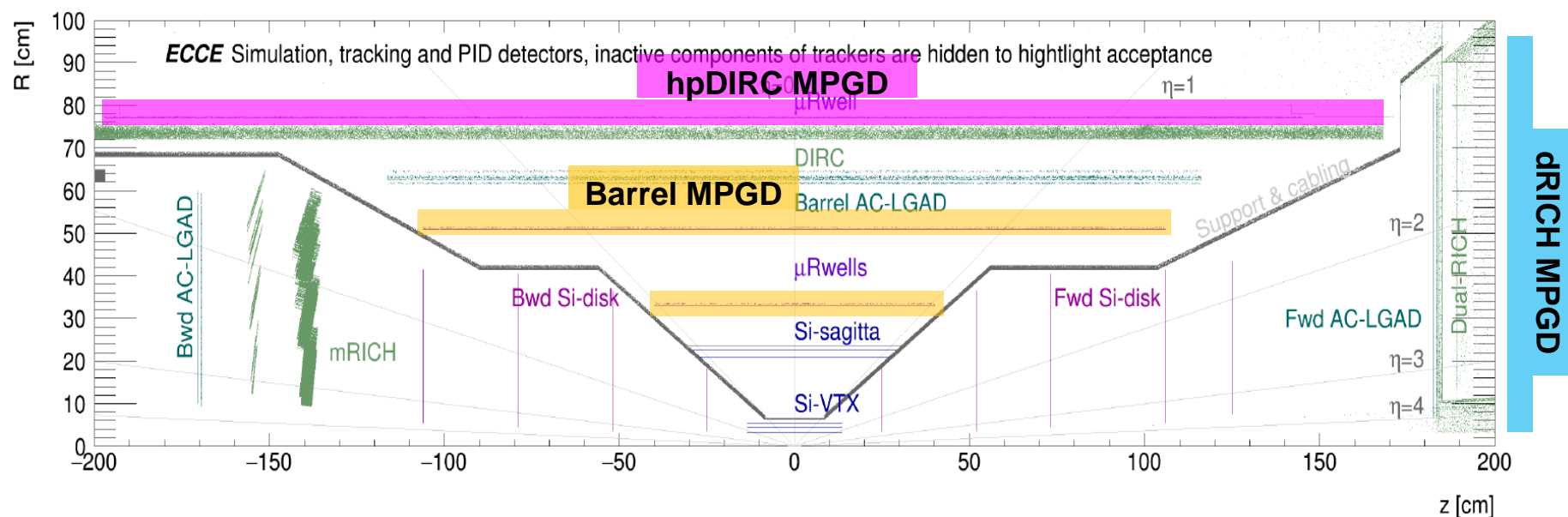
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❖ dRICH MPGD: Planar trapezoidal MPGD module

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❖ Barrel MPGD: Cylindrical MPGD layers

- **Low mass** and high spatial resolution in both rphi and z?
- Full cylindrical? Curved modules, planar tiles in cylindrical arrangement?
- Challenges: resolution vs. track angle and Lorentz angle



EIC detector 1 Barrel Tracker: ECCE layout vs. LBNL layout

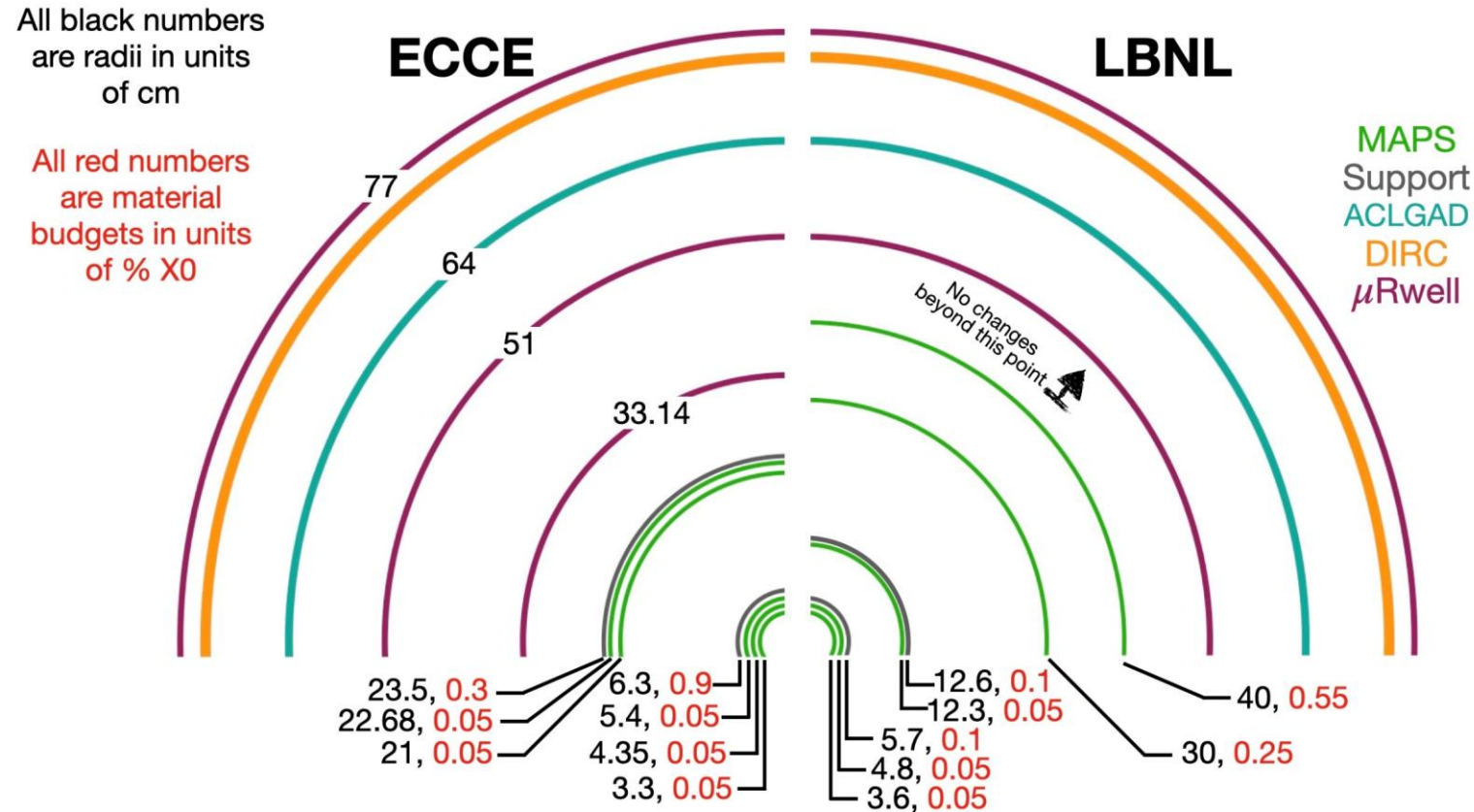
❖ Barrel tracker layout update from EIC SC

- Proposed by Ernst
- Account for realistic Si-MAPS technology with thicker material at large radius
- Rearrangement of layers for performances optimization

❖ New layout

- 2 Si-vertex layers
- 3 sagitta layers with larger radius except the first one
- MPGD @ 33.14 cm disappears**

❖ Adopted option for the detector geometry for the current simulation campaign

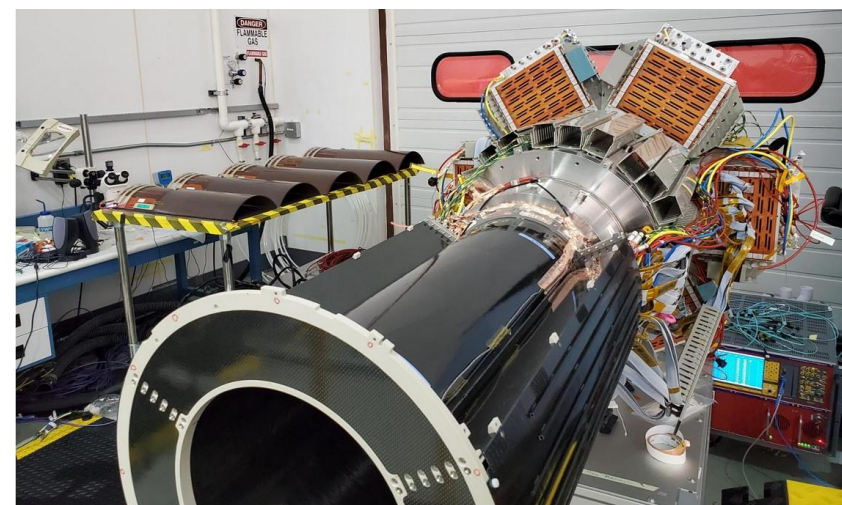
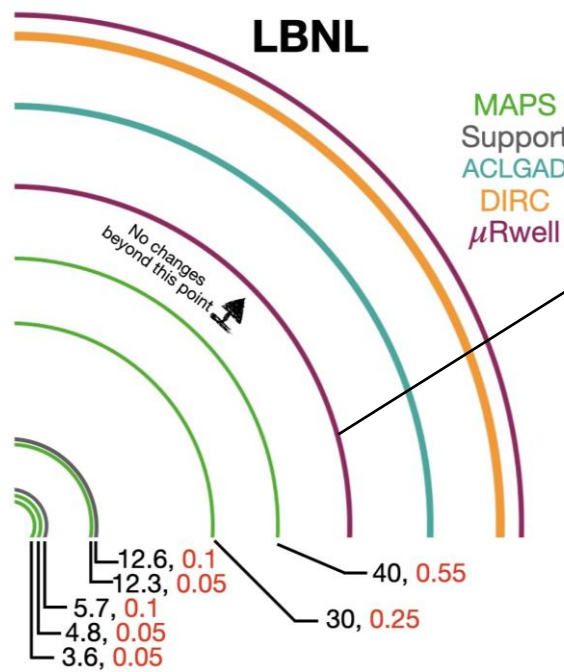
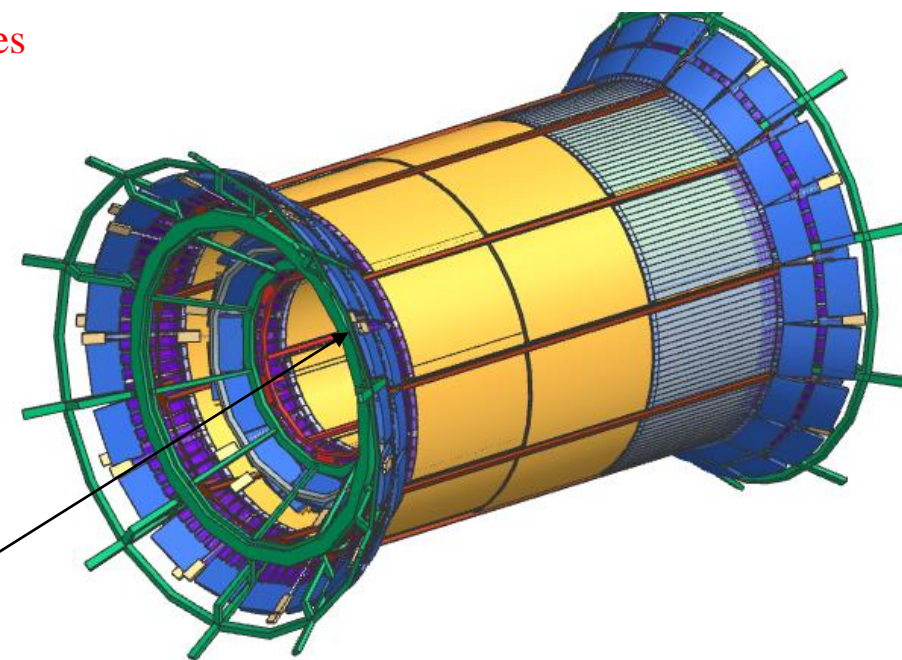


eRD108 choice for cylindrical trackers: Micromegas technology

Requirements & expectations from YR & various detector proposals:

- ❖ Low mass ($< 0.5\% X_0$ / layer) is justified for this layers → Starting point: CLAS12
Micromegas technology ($\sim 0.4\% X_0$ in active area), evolution to 2D readout
- ❖ Full acceptance → Arrangement of cylindrical tiles with overlaps
- ❖ Spatial resolution → 50–100 μm challenging at large angle in R → **more on following slides**
- ❖ FEE close to the detectors: placement on the supporting cones?
- ❖ **Backup solution:** Cylindrical μRWELL (eRD108 R&D ongoing) or flat tiles

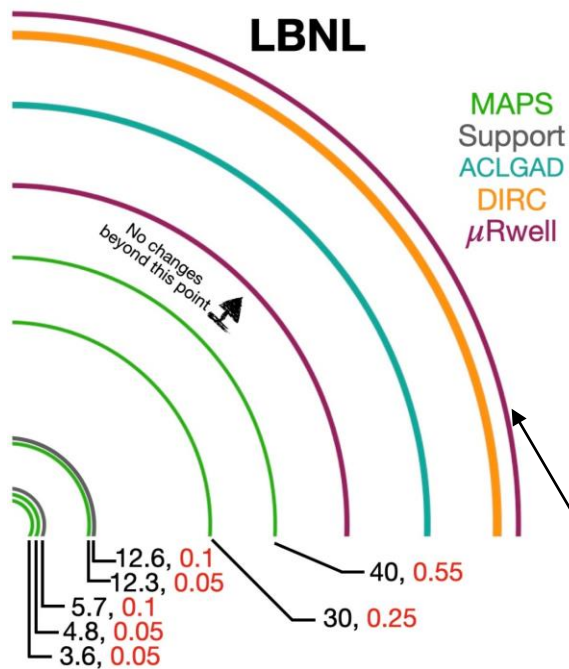
Preliminary design of micromegas tracker for ATHENA proposal



eRD108 choice for planar trackers: μ RWELL technology

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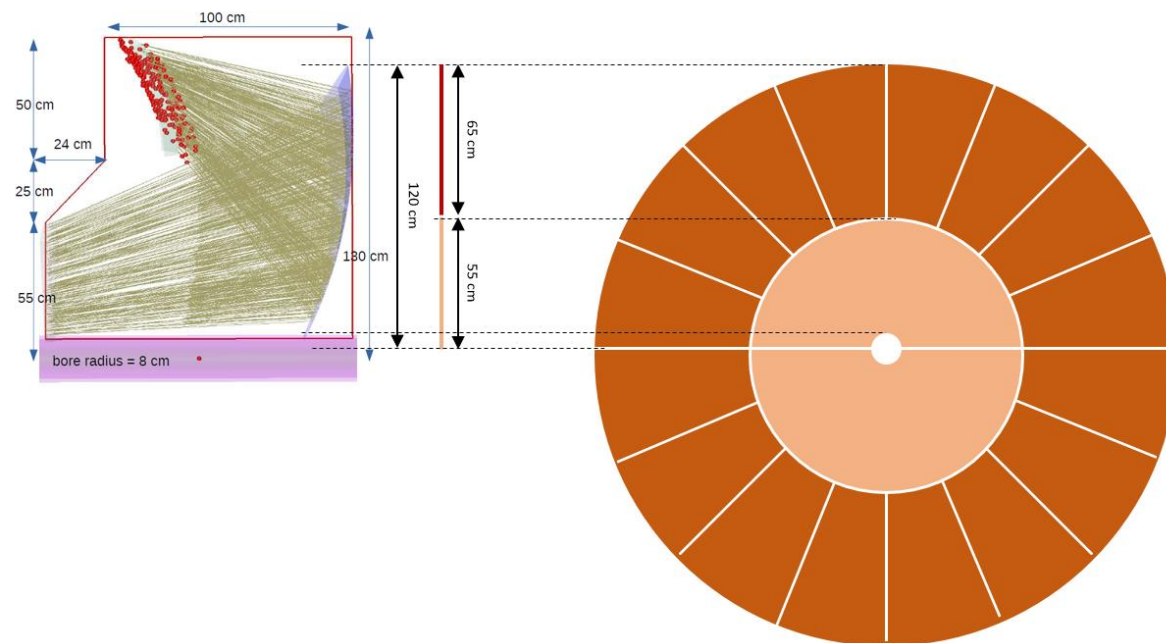
- ❖ Low mass ($< 1\% X_0$) not justified here \rightarrow **1% to 2% X_0** in front of EM Cal. is not an issue
- ❖ But space limitation for layer behind hpDIRC \rightarrow 2 cm thick box space for MPGD layer
- ❖ Spatial resolution (50 - 100 μm) in both phi and z (or R for the disc layer behind dRICH)
- ❖ FEE close to the detectors: placement on hpDIRC support structure?
- ❖ **Backup solution:** Given space limitation MM for the hpDIRC, GEM or MM behind the dRICH



μ RWELL layer behind hpDIRC

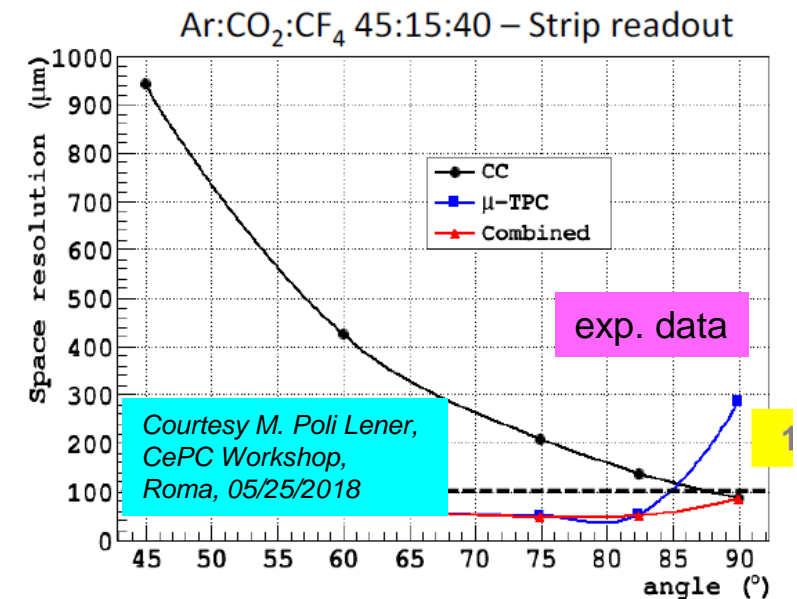
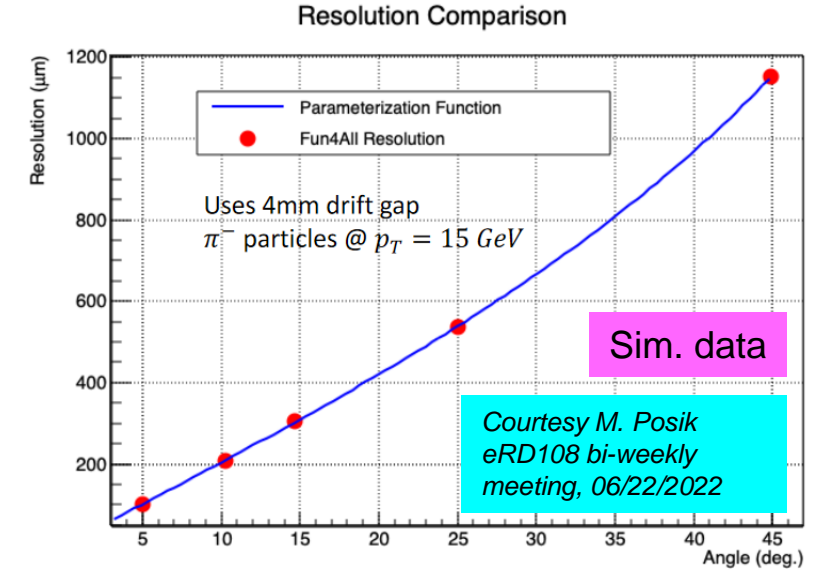
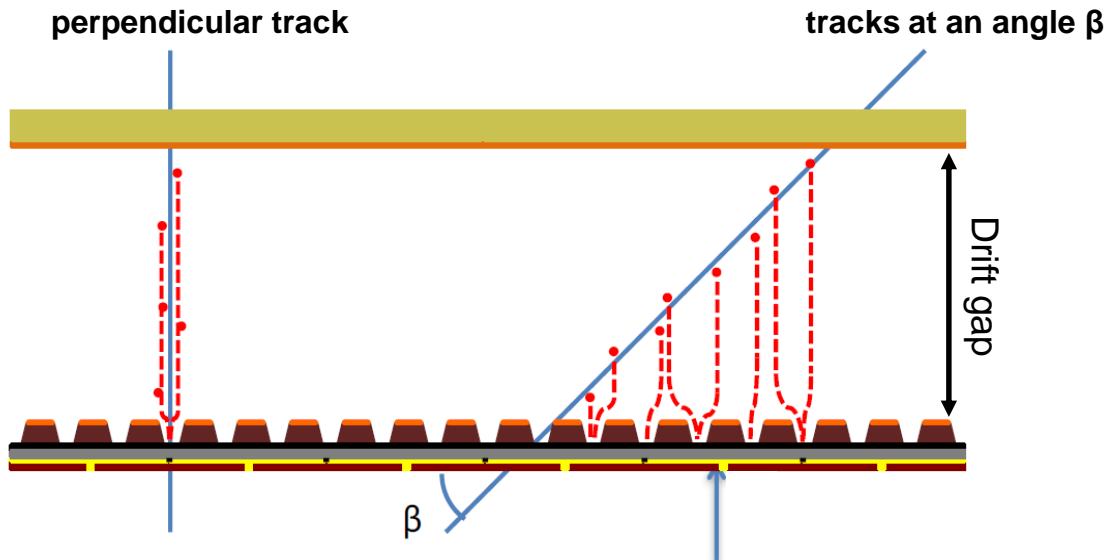


μ RWELL layer behind dRICH



Spatial resolution: issues to address

- ❖ **Nominal position resolution:** hits from **tracks perpendicular to detector plane.**
 - Depends on technologies, readout structures & pitch (strips, pads, ZZ...), gas properties
 - Ranging between 50 – 100 μm for MPGD trackers
- ❖ **Incoming track at large angle**
 - Ionization in drift generates signal **on too many strips** Nb of strips increases linearly drift gap
 - COG no longer valid way, spatial resolution $\sim d / (\cos(\beta) \times \sqrt{12}) \rightarrow$ determined by drift gap
- ❖ **Two approaches under consideration to partially recover resolution performance**
 - Micro-TPC (μTPC) \rightarrow increasing the drift gap (from 3 mm to 10, 20 mm)
 - Thin gap MPGDs \rightarrow reducing the drift gap (**from 3 mm to 1 mm or less**)



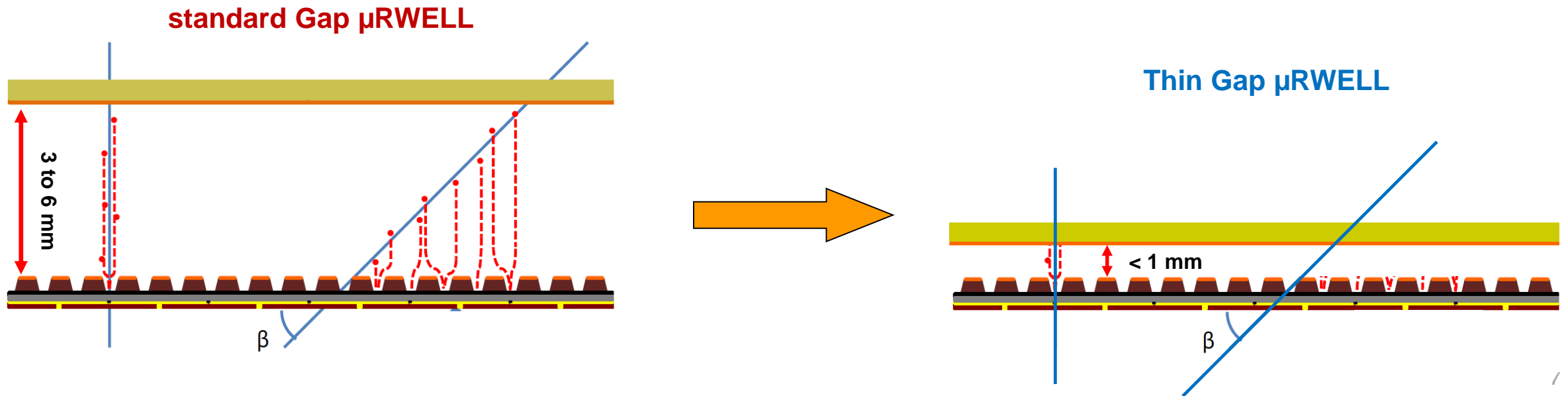
Solutions for improving resolution: Thin Gap MPGD

❖ idea: Narrow drift gap from 3 mm (or more) to 1 mm (or less)

- Improve spatial resolution demonstrate better 150 μm for 45 $^\circ$ tracks with 1 mm drift gap
- Thin Gap MPGDs will also minimize Lorentz angle effect on resolution performances

❖ Cons / challenges

- Will require high density gas like Xe, Kr etc .. \rightarrow cost
- Needs R&D to develop and test prototypes to validate the idea
 - Reduce the average number of primary ionization cluster to 1 and compensate by higher gain \rightarrow hybrid amplification
 - Recover full efficiency with twin readouts configuration

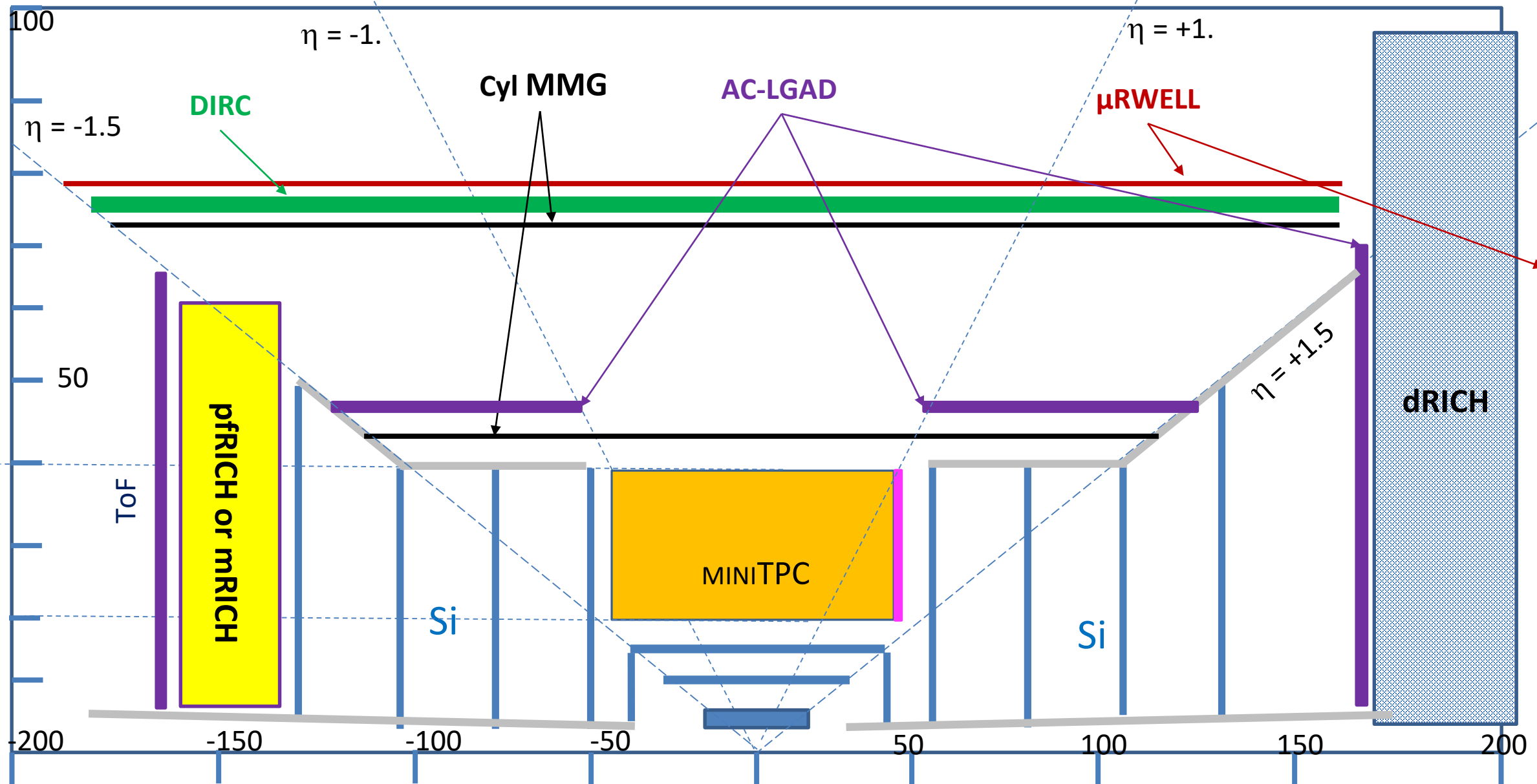


EIC detector 1 Tracking: Open questions on tracking / PID requirements

Concerns expressed by Nikolai Smirnov and shared by many people

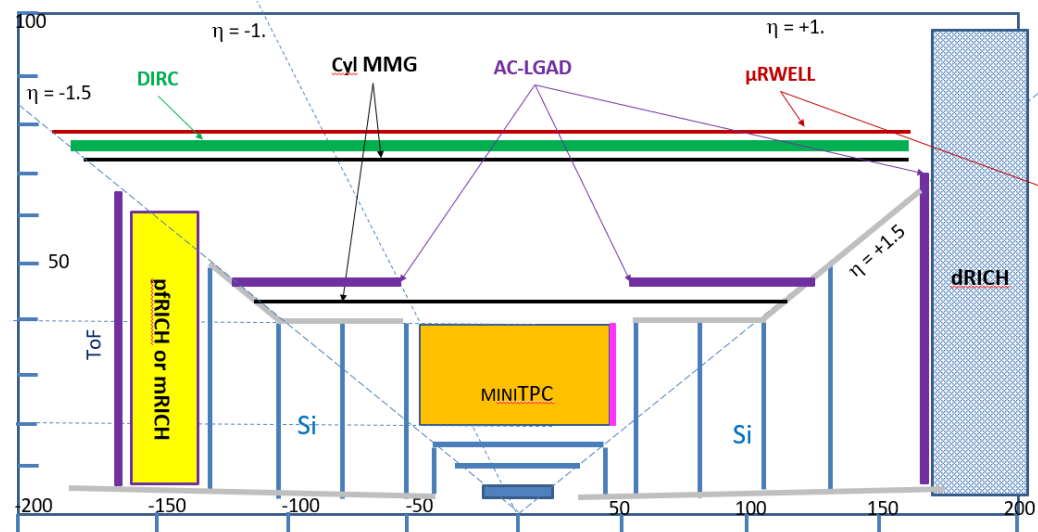
- ❖ Original ECCE tracking / PID setup does not fit the YR request.
- ❖ “Fast” simulations were done using unrealistic material thickness and hit smearing parameters with a misleading conclusion.
- ❖ BaBar magnet, 1.4 T B-field is not good enough for high precision momentum reconstruction.
- ❖ Very small number hits / track is extremely “sensitive” to background.
- ❖ PID (ToF) proposed R-position does not work up to 0.3 GeV/c (~30% of all particles in +/- 1.5 rapidity).
 - ❖ Need input from Physics WGs if there is a needs for PID below 0.3 GeV/c
- ❖ A lot of barrel tracking simulation were done for (1. – 20.) GeV/c. The optimization should be done for (0.1 – 1.0) GeV/c (>85% of all (hadron) particles).
- ❖ It should be checked / simulated the option of the barrel (+/- 1 rapidity) with mini TPC on (low mass, very good PID up to 0.7 GeV/c, ~large number of hits / track – exactly fits all demands for low momentum particle track finding and reconstruction)
- ❖ and “projective” setup for +/- (1. – 1.5) rapidity. (Alexander’s original idea; see next slide).
- ❖ 4. Expedite the production of the “spare” magnet with ~(2. – 2.5) T B-field.

EIC detector 1 Barrel Tracker: The eRD108 mini-TPC option



EIC detector 1 Barrel Tracker: The eRD108 mini-TPC option

- ❖ Original ECCE tracking / PID setup does not fit the YR request.
 - ❖ Developing simulation to evaluate the mini TPC options performance
- ❖ BaBar magnet, 1.4 T B-field is not good enough for high precision momentum reconstruction.
 - ❖ mini TPC option will address this question
- ❖ Very small number hits / track is extremely “sensitive” to background.
 - ❖ mini TPC option will address this question
- ❖ If PID for momentum < 0.3 GeV/c is needed
 - ❖ mini TPC option will address this question → need validation with simulation
- ❖ Limited impact of the TPC readout material budget in the hadron endcap **η 1 to 1.5** already covered by AC-LGAD and hpDIRC
- ❖ Impact of the TPC readout material budget in barrel region **$-1 < \eta < 1$ is smaller than for AC-LGAD option**



“Summary & Consensus” on MPGD technology

- ❖ MPGD community (eRD108) has a solution and clear R&D path for the current EIC detector 1 gaseous tracking layout
- ❖ Identify Micromegas for the cylindrical tracker and uRWELL for the planar layer behind hpDIRC and dRICH
- ❖ The two technologies are mutually fallback solution. GEM is still an option for the layer behind dRICH in hadron endcap
- ❖ An alternative option with mini TPC under discussion within community
- ❖ We will soon contact all institutions beside eRD108 members expressing interest in participating the EIC MPGD trackers effort to join the discussions

Backup

EIC detector 1: MPGD technologies - Micromegas

Technology

- Leading institutions in eRD108 and Tracking WG: **CEA Saclay, BNL, Yale, Vanderbilt U.**
- Mature technology (CLAS12 MVT, ATLAS Muon chambers, T2K TPC readout ...)
- Planar and tiles modules for cylindrical trackers

CLAS12 Micromegas Vertex Tracker (MVT)

- Compact & light-weight ($\sim 0.4\%$ X0 / layer) cylindrical tracker in a B=5T solenoid, total active area $\sim 4\text{m}^2$
- 1D readout per tile (either phi or z coord)
- Taking data since 2017

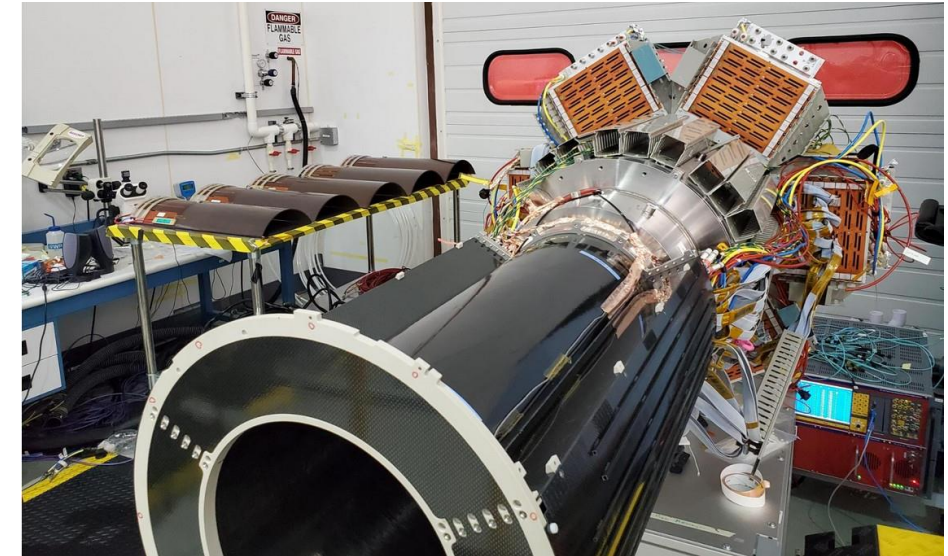
EIC needs:

- Simplify assembly of the curved tiles: one single tile module size with a fixed bending radius
 - Same module will cover different barrel layer radii
 - overlap tiles for full acceptance (no dead area gaps)
- 2D readout with **nominal resolutions 50 – 100 μm** in both directions & low channel count

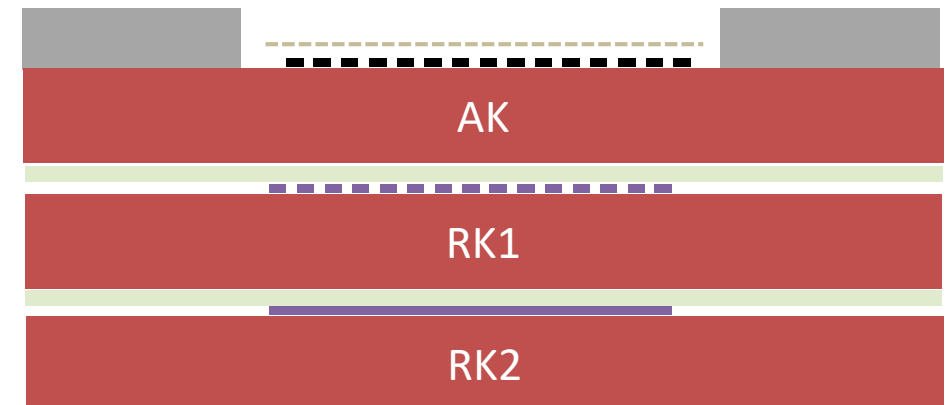
eRD108 R&D efforts

- FY22:
 - Optimization of the 2D readout for low number of channels on small prototypes
 - CAD design of the full scale prototype
- FY23:
 - Build a full scale prototype of a Micromegas tile ($50 \times 70\text{cm}^2$) with the chosen 2D readout

CLAS12 MVT open for maintenance



R&D on 2D Readout for Micromegas



EIC detector 1: MPGD technologies - μ RWELL

Technology:

- Leading institutions in eRD108 and Tracking WG: **BNL, Florida Tech, JLab, Temple U, UVa.**
- More recent technology \rightarrow never deployed in an HEP or NP experiment yet
 - Simpler fabrication, low cost, flexibility, robustness
- Planar and tiles modules for cylindrical trackers, full cylindrical module for smaller radius possible

CLAS12 High Luminosity Upgrade Forward Tracker: Large-area μ RWELL prototype:

- Large-area (150 cm x 50 cm) & light-weight (0.7% X0)
- Prototype completion by end 2022 and in test in Hall B in 2023
- A lot to learn from the test this prototype in early 2023

EIC detector 1 needs:

- Cylindrical tracking layers (full cylinder for most inner barrel layer & modular tiles option ala Micromegas all under consideration)
- Large planar module (200 cm x 34 cm)) capability for DIRC MPGD layer
- 2D readout with **nominal resolutions 50 – 100 μ m** in both directions & low channel count

Ongoing R&D efforts with eRD108:

- FY22:
 - Develop small radius (2 cm diam) cylindrical μ RWELL prototype
 - Develop 2D readout for low number of channels on small prototypes
- FY23:
 - Prototype tests in beam \rightarrow FNAL Summer 2023 (contingent R&D funding continuation)
 - Explore options optimization of track angle dependence of the spatial resolution

Gerber view of CLAS12 High-Lumi FT μ RWELL prototype

