

InGrid: An integrated gaseous detector using wafer post-processing technology

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### **Overview**

- Wafer post processing idea
- InGrid:Fabrication
- Experimental results
- Sparking
- Conclusions and future plans

#### The MICRO MEsh GASeous detector



# Wafer post processing

- Use microelectronics to add functionalities
- Process must not damage the chip
- Enlarge pixel surface
- Deposition of high resistive layer
- Integration of micromegas
  - Perfect alignment holes/pixels
  - No dead areas
  - No manual manufacturing

Sensor



## **Materials for our structures**

- SU-8 negative resist as insulating pillars
  - Easy to define structures
  - Wide range of thickness (5 μm to 250 μm)
  - High precision
- Aluminum as conductive grid
  - Commonly used in microelectronics
  - Easy to deposit
  - Easy to pattern



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### **InGrid: Integrated Grid**



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### Any field structure feasible



#### And now we start to record spectra

Histogram of <sup>55</sup>Fe source in Ar/Isobutane 80/20



### Gain for different gap sizes

Maximum predicted in gain vs gap curve



$$\alpha = pAe^{-Bp/E}$$

Rose & Korff

### Gain for different gap sizes

• But now we can make measurements



## Homogeneity

- Gain measurements scanning the surface of the detector
- Homogeneity given by grid quality



#### Simulated gain for different hole size

- Electric field along z axis decreases with hole size
- Different gain expected for different hole size



#### Measured gain for different hole size

And measurements confirm simulations



# **Energy resolution**

- Resolution depends on
  - Primary,attachment,T,P
  - Collection efficiency (field ratio)
  - Gain homogeneity & transverse diffusion



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**Energy resolution** 

#### **Energy resolution as function of gap**

• Why a parabolic behavior ?



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# Sparking

- Chip faces 80kV/cm with no protection
- Degradation of the field, or total destruction



10µm

# **Solution: high resistive layer**

- Resistive plate chamber principle
- Amorphous silicon deposited
  - 4um thickness, resistivity ~10<sup>11</sup> $\Omega$ .cm, temperature ~250 ° C
- Signals recorded in first experiments



### **Future plan**









### Conclusions

- New detector described
- Completely flexible design
- Measurements for different structures
- Sparking solution presented
- On chip integration is coming



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### **BACK UP SLIDES**

#### Advantages of GOSSIP compared to silicon sensors

- **No bias current**, only signal induced currents will be observed
  - < 10 pA/pixel at sLHC
  - => Low current setting in frontend amplifier
- Very low electrode capacity(0.5 fFto micromegasfor 60 μm pixel pitch and 50 μm amplification gap)
- => minimal cooling requirements or cooling by environmental air for electronics(1.8 µA/pixel => 0.1 W/cm2)
- High rate capability observed
  - Possibly exceeding 3.3 x 109/cm2 mips
- Good aging performance observed
  - Tests suggest mip operation possible until 1016 /cm2
  - No aging for neutrons expected
  - Almost insensitive for X rays
  - No aging at beam accidents(tuning)
    - Bias voltage switched off by over-current protection
- Operation at a wide temperature range (-30 to 50 °C)
- Average signal can be kept constant during irradiationup to 1016mips/cm2
  - by regularly readjustingVgrid
- Low material budget: X/X0= 0.05%
  - for GOSSIP + pixel chip thinned to 30 μm

#### Disadvantages compared to silicon sensors

- Different technology: gas system required
- Gas gain strongly dependent on several parameters(Vgrid, Pabs, T, distance grid to anode)
  - Better gain uniformity expected for INGRID
- Occasional spark discharges
  - Requires resistive protection to avoid damage to pixel chip => SIPROT
  - Will be most likely solved
- **Poor statistics of primary ionisation** (2.3 4.7 clusters/mm)
  - Reduced efficiency: 90-99% (gas dependent)
  - Charge signal has big variance
- Bigger thickness of detecting medium(1 mm vs≤300µm)
  - Worse resolution for inclined tracks and systematic deviation (ballistic deficit)
    - Improvement possible by drift time measurement (Timepixchip)
- High dust sensitivity
  - Assembly sensors in high class clean room like for semiconductormanufacturing
  - But dust sensitivity is over as soon as the gas volume is closed
- Aging depending on certain pollutants
  - Aging of gaseous detectors is never a natural constant but oftendepends on minor traces of pollutants (ppB level) in the chamber gas
  - => aging monitoring (special aging chambers have to be built in)

### **Radiation source**

- 55Fe of few MBq
  - 5.9 keV + 6.5 keV lines emitted in ratio 9/1
  - After 2.5 cm of Argon, ratio = 7/1
- 0.5 mm Ø collimation
- 3.5 cm above grids
  - $\sim 20 \text{ mm2 on grid}$
  - ~ 9 % grid surface



### Resolution

- What does it depend on?
  - Primary & Fano, attachment, T, P
  - Collection efficiency (field ratio)
  - Gain homogeneity & transverse diffusion
- What we measure with 500 V on grid:
  - @ 1310 V/cm  $\alpha \sim 50$
  - σt ~ 260 μm/cm1/2
  - 17 % FWHM
  - @ 340 V/cm  $\alpha \sim 200$
  - σt ~ 260 µm/cm1/2
  - 21 % FWHM
- Resolution seems to depend only on gain
- Why a parabolic behavior ?









### **Pressure and gas dependence**

- Correction of gain for pressure variations
  when measuring different fields
- Increment in pressure gives less eficient collisions





Gain decreases of 80 every mbar-1

## **Resolution different drift field**

