# **GEM DHCAL Status**

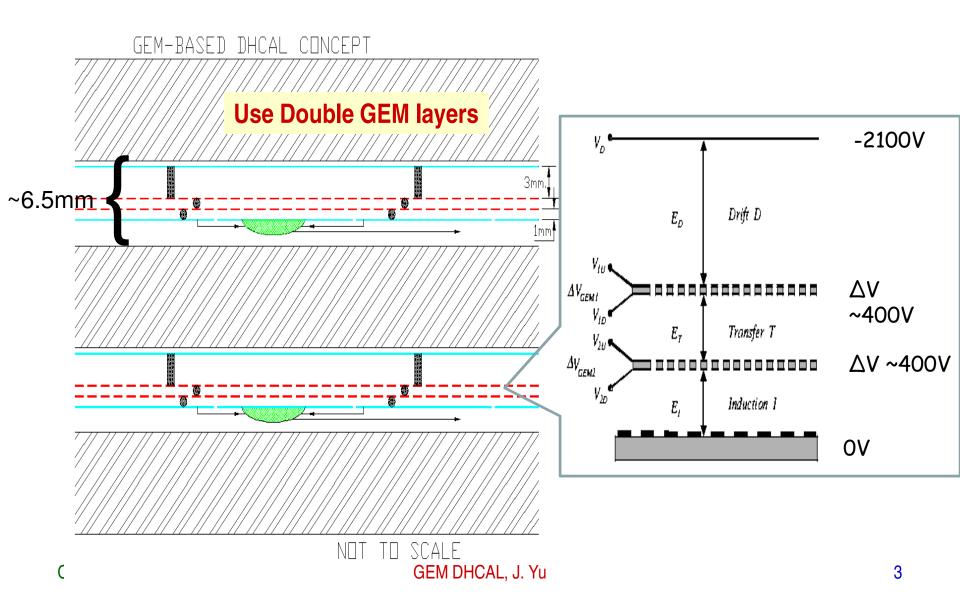
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- Introduction
- What has been done?
- Multi-channel readout with Kip
- Large GEM chamber
- Plans
- Summary

## Why GEM?

- Flexible configurations: allows small anode pads for high granularity
- Robust: survives ~10<sup>12</sup> particles/mm<sup>2</sup> with no performance degradations
- Fast: based on electron collection, ~few ns rise time
- Short recovery time → can handle high rates
- Uses simple gas (Ar/CO<sub>2</sub>) no long-term issues
- Runs at relatively low HV (~400V across a foil)
- Stable and robust operations

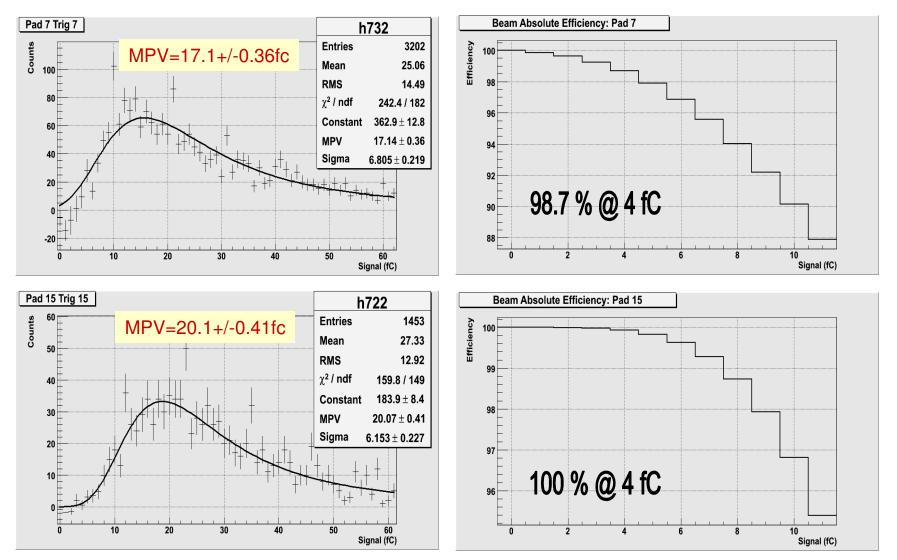
#### **GEM-based Digital Calorimeter Concept**



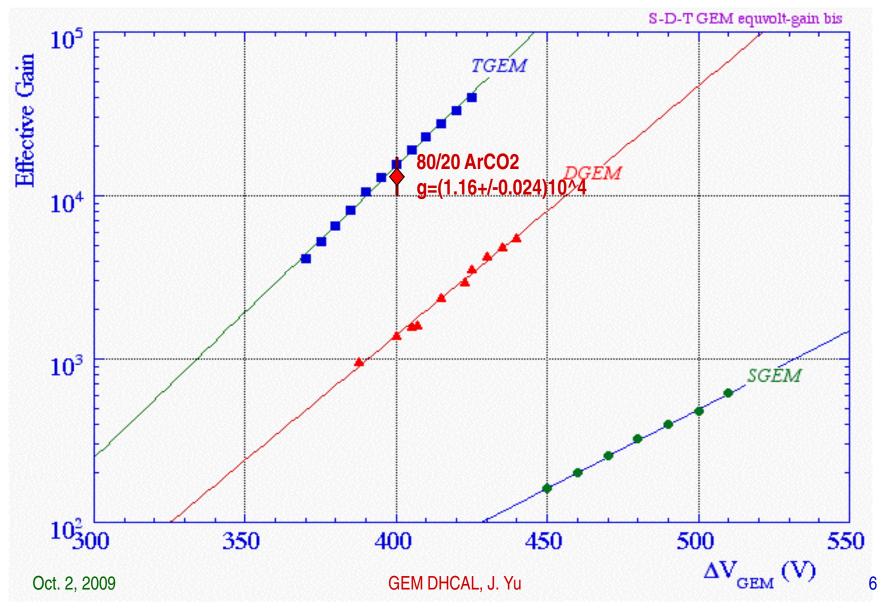
## What have been done so far?

- Bench tested with various source and cosmic ray
  - Used QPA02 chip based preamp
  - Verified the signal shape, responses and gain
- Took a beam test at a high flux electron beam
  - First chamber built with 3M's 30cmx30cm GEM
  - Used QPA02 chip based preamp
  - Verified that the chamber can survive
- Took two beam tests at FNAL's MTBF
  - Used QPA02 chip based preamp
  - 8 GeV pion beams and 120GeV proton beams
  - Measured chamber responses, efficiencies and gain

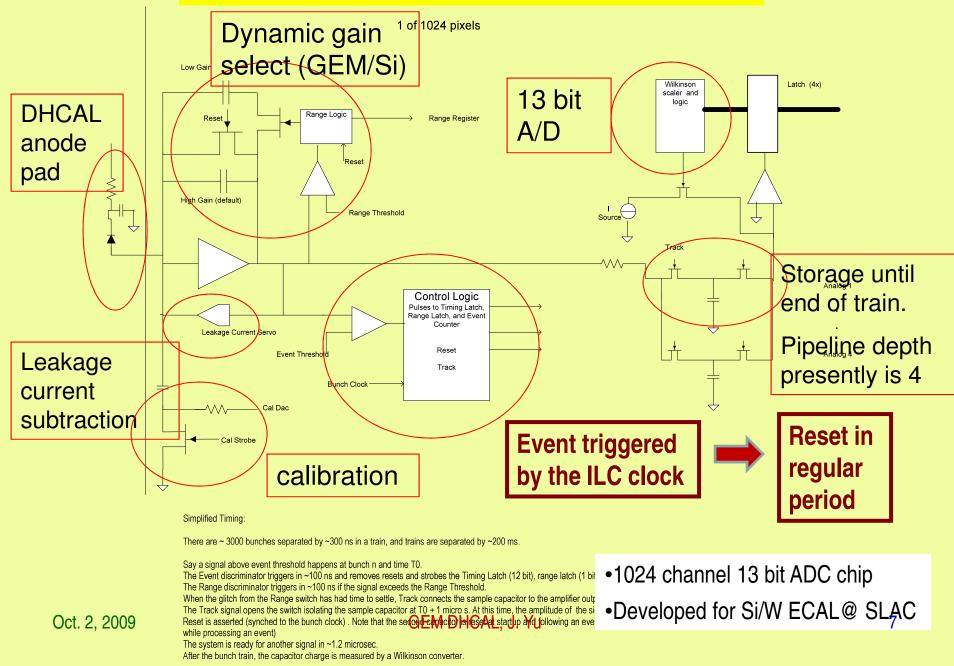
#### Efficiency vs Threshold w/ 120GeV P



### **UTA GEM Chamber Gain**



#### **KPiX Analog Readout for GEM DHCAL**

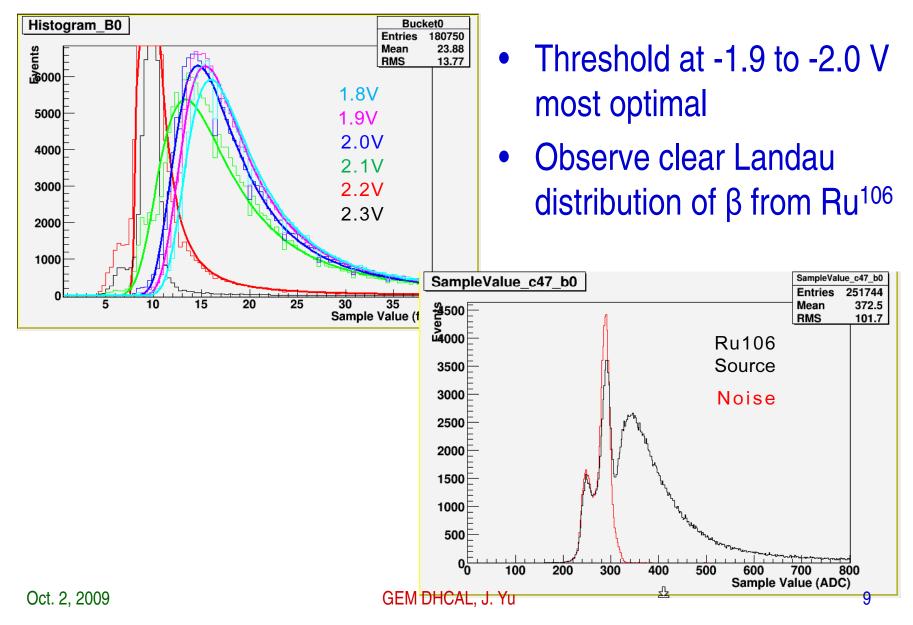


#### GEM-DHCAL/KPiX boards with Interface and FPGA boards

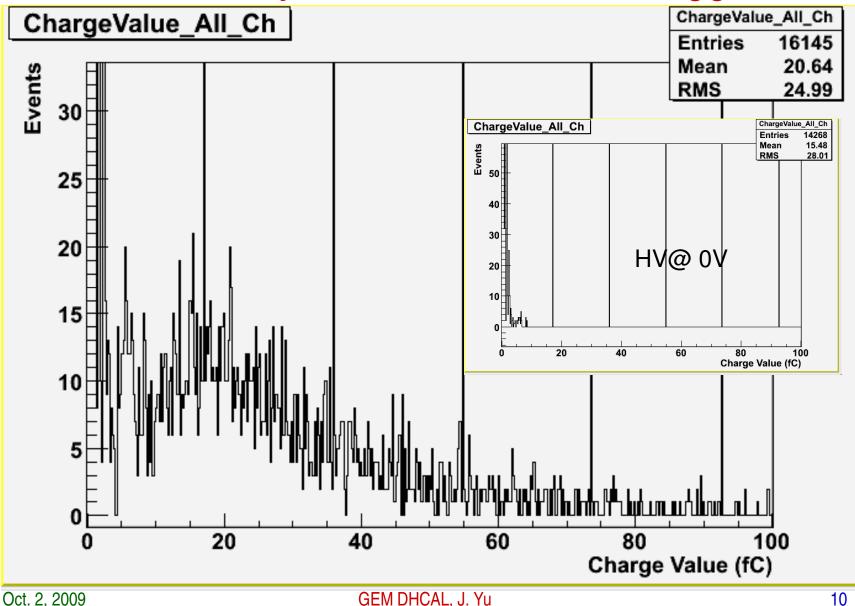
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#### KPiX Self Trigger Threshold and Noise Scan



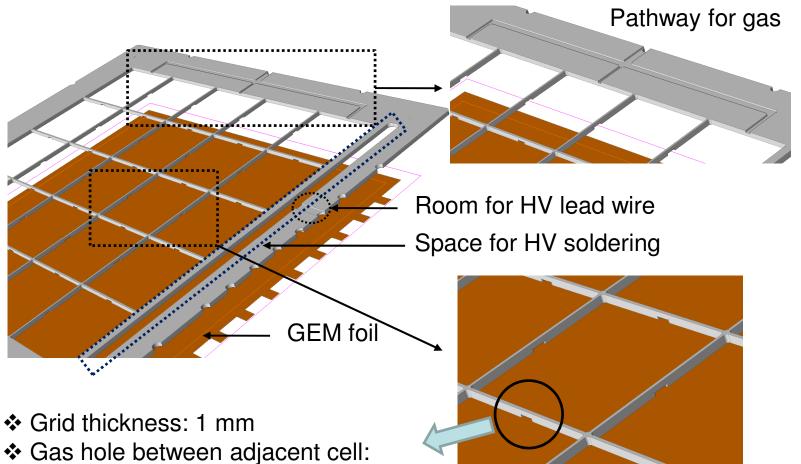
#### Cosmic Ray Data with External Trigger



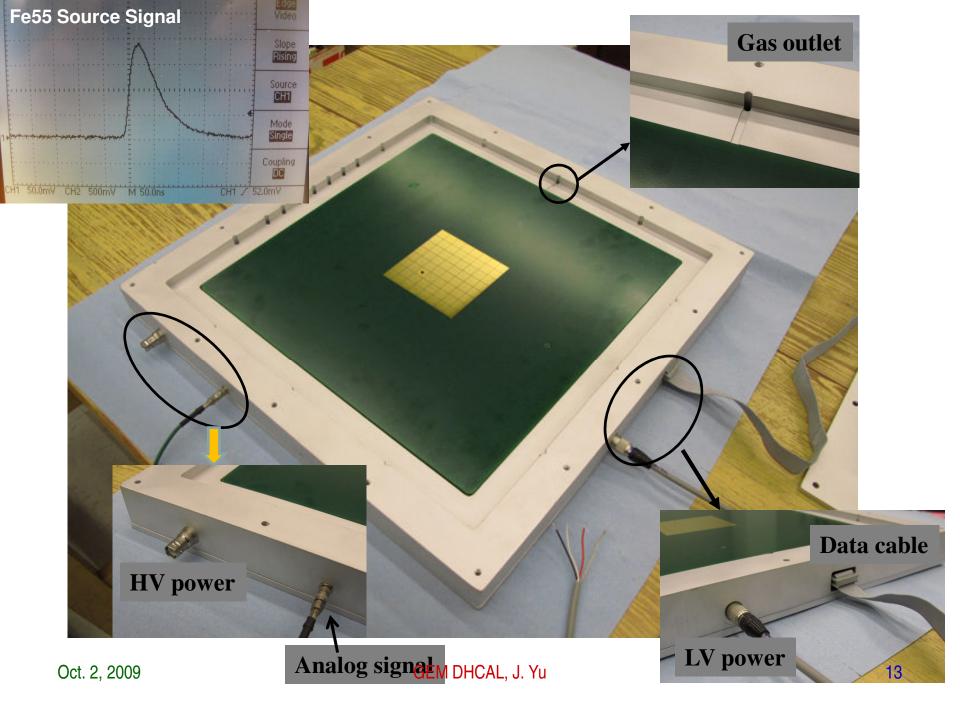
## GEM DHCAL Plans - I

- Through late 2009
  - 30cmx30cm chamber
    - Construct a new chamber with optimal gas flow design
    - Complete characterization of the chamber with sources and cosmic rays using 64 channel KPiX v7

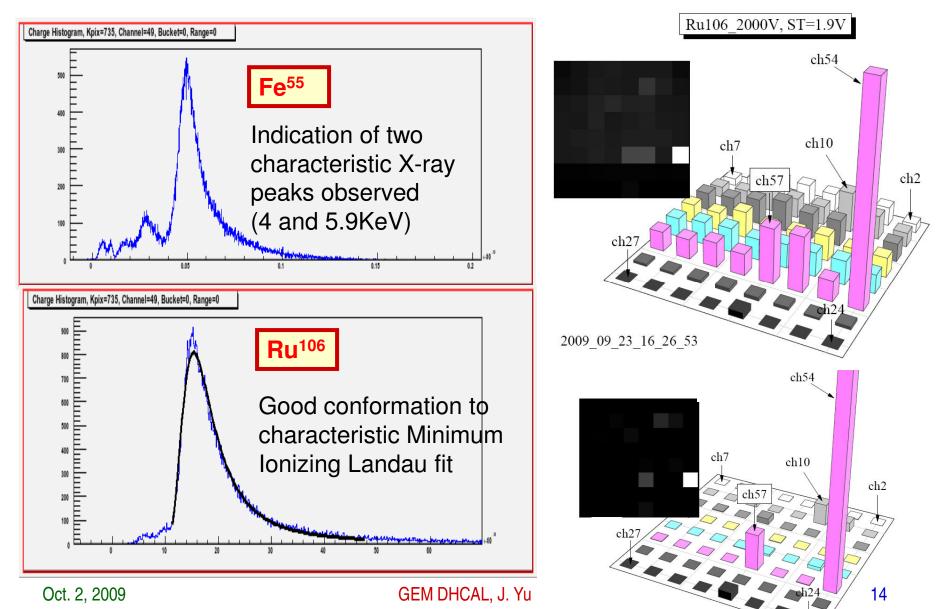
### **Gas Transparent Spacers**



- $\rightarrow$ 5x1 mm<sup>2</sup> for 3 mm spacer
- $\rightarrow$  5x0.5 mm<sup>2</sup> for 1 mm spacer

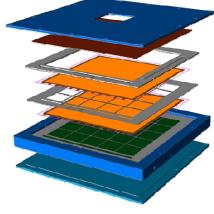


### GEM+kPiX Fe<sup>55</sup> and Ru<sup>106</sup> Spectra



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- Through late 2009
  - 30cmx30cm chamber
    - Construct a new chamber with optimal gas flow design
    - Complete characterization of the chamber with sources and cosmic rays using 64 channel KPiX v7
    - Characterize the chamber in particle beams
    - Understand the chamber behaviors with DCAL chips (thru early 2010)
    - 33cmx100cm unit chamber
      - Finalize 33cmx100cm (32cmx96cm active area) large GEM foil silkscreen design and submit to CERN GDD
      - Initial prototype tried in late Aug. 2009



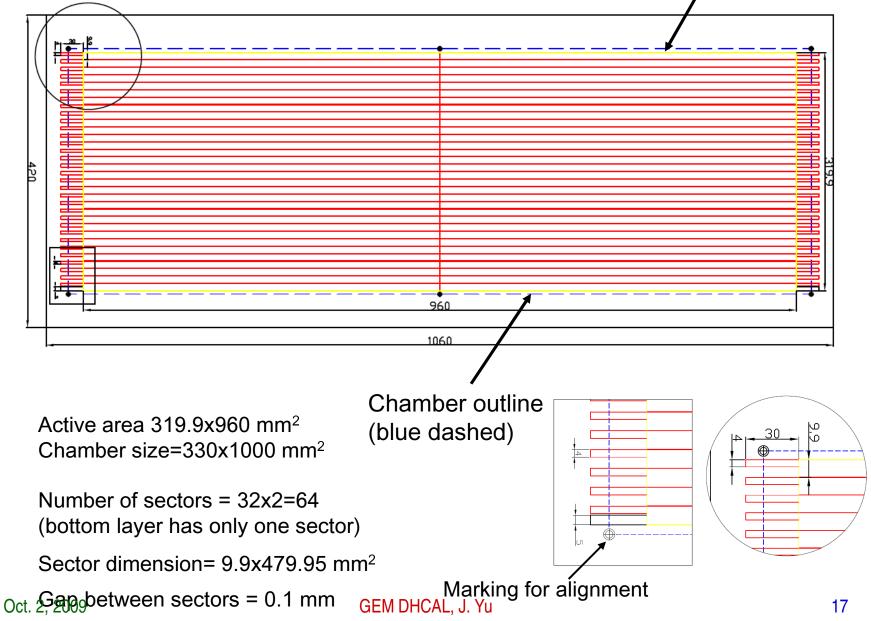
#### Large GEM Foil Development with CERN

- The size of the foils are 33cmx100cm, the same as the physical size of the unit chamber
  - Active area is 33cmx100cm
  - Is this realistic to think of constructing a chamber with the same physical size foils?
- The design of large GEM foil completed and delivered to CERN GDD Workshop
- One-side etching technique successful
- CERN GDD workshop is working on prototype foil production

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#### Large GEM Foil Design

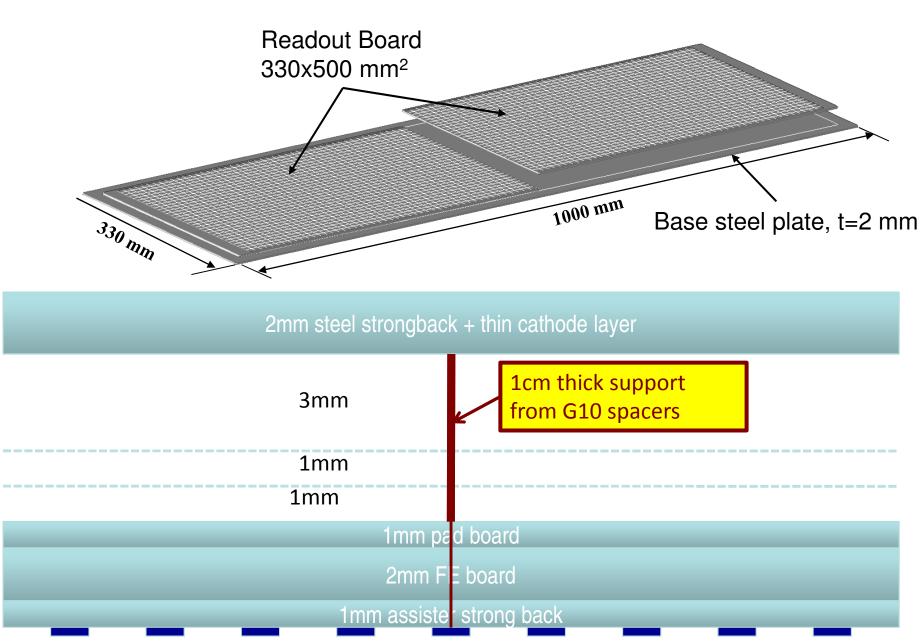
Active area (yellow dashed)



## GEM DHCAL Plans - II

- Late 2009 Late 2010
  - 33cmx100cm thin GEM unit chambers
    - Production and certification of 33cmx100cm foils
    - Characterization of 1024 KPiX chips
      - To be available in late 2009 to early 2010
      - Use 30cmx30cm the new GEM chamber
    - Understand chamber behaviors with DCAL chips
    - Begin construction and characterization of 33cmx100cm unit chambers
      - One with anode board with available KPiX chips
      - Remainder with DCAL Chips

#### 33cmx100cm DHCAL Unit Chamber

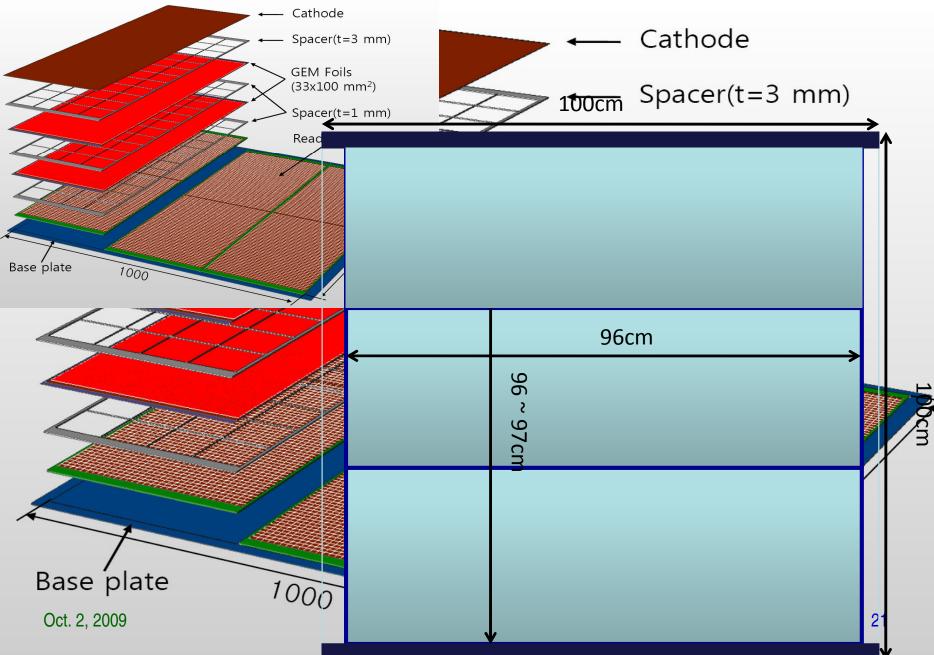


## GEM DHCAL Plans - III

- Mid 2010 Late 2011
  - 33cmx100cm thin GEM unit chambers w/ DCAL chips
    - Characterization with DCAL chip
    - Complete production of fifteen 33cmx100cm unit chambers
  - Construct five 100cmx100cm GEM DHCAL planes
    - Using DCAL readout chips
  - Beam test GEM DHCAL planes in the CALICE beam test stack together with RPC
  - If available: TGEMs and RETGEMs
    - Construction and characterization of a prototype chamber using an analog readout chip
    - Beam test of TGEM prototype chamber

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#### UTA's 100cmx100cm Digital Hadron Calorimeter Plane



## **GEM DHCAL Beam Test Plans**

- - Late 2009 Early 2010: using one to two planes of 30cmx30cm double GEM chamber with 64 channel KPiX7
- - Early 2010 Late 2010 at MTBF: Using available KPiX chips and DCAL chips
- Phase III 
   100cmx100cm plane GEM DHCAL performances in the CALICE stack
  - Late 2010 Mid 2011 at Fermilab's MTBF
  - Five 100cmx100cm planes inserted into existing CALICE calorimeter stack and run with either Si/W or Sci/W ECALs and RPC planes in the remaining HCAL

## Summary

- Good progress has been made reading out GEM chamber with 64 channel KPiX v7 chips
  - Observed clean characteristic peaks from Fe<sup>55</sup> and Ru<sup>106</sup> sources
- Cosmic ray data taking and analysis in progress
- 30cmx100cm unit chamber construction proceeding
  - GEM foil design completed and delivered to CERN →
    Prototype foil production in progress
- Mechanical designs being worked out for constructing 1mx1m planes for DHCAL testing