The 1m³ SemiDigital Hadronic CALorimeter prototype (SDHCAL)

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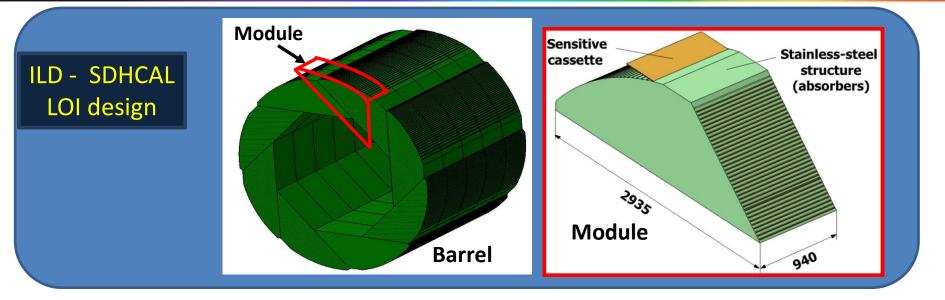


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Towards a SHDCAL Technological Prototype





The technological prototype

We intend to validate the SDHCAL concept by building a prototype which is as close as possible to the proposed SDHCAL for ILD to understand key issues of integration and operation

- 1- Large detector with almost no dead zones
- 2- Large and embedded electronics board
- 4- One-side services: HV, LV, gas, readout
- 5- Self-supporting mechanical structure
- 6- Power-pulsed electronics
- 7- New generation of DAQ system

Size: 51 stainless steel plates + 50 detector cassettes ~ 1m³ ~500K channels

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SDHCAL Technological Prototype



Up to 50 GRPC detector plans of 1m²

20mm stainless steel (absorber + cassette support) 6mm GRPC (Glass Resistive Plate Chamber), readout pads 1x1cm² (huge granularity)

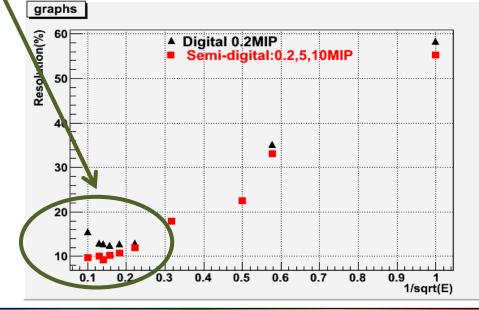
Semi-digital Readout

Use number of hits instead of deposited energy

→ How many & which pads over certain thresholds A semi-digital readout (2-bits) improves the resolution at high energies with respect to digital (saturation effect)

Advantage of digital or semi-digital Simpler electronics (just a comparator) Simplifies requirements on uniformity of the active medium, reduces costs of electronics

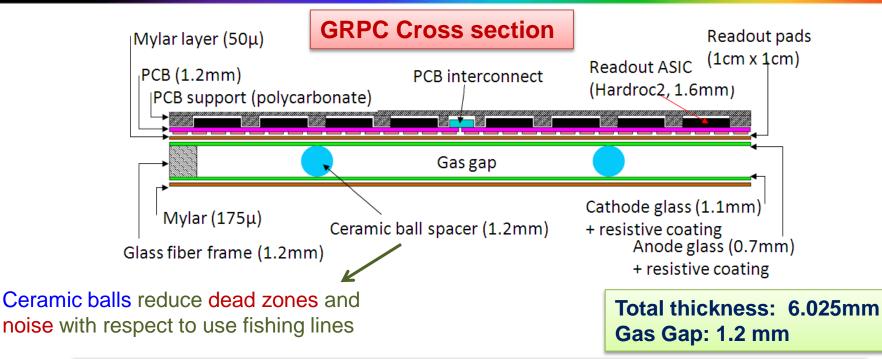
But, price to pay higher granularity 1x1cm² (→ > 50 millions of channels for a full detector)



~1m³ ~6 λ₁ ~450K readout channels

The SDHCAL's GRPCs





Main characteristics Gas: TFE/i-C4H10 (or CO2) /SF6 (93-94.5) / 5 / (2-0.5) HV: ~7.4 kV Avalanche mode (→2-4 pC, rate up to 100Hz/cm²) Efficiency >95%, Multiplicity: 1.4-2 pads/mip

Homogeneous, easy/low-cost to build, robust

GRPC Chambers: Gas & coating

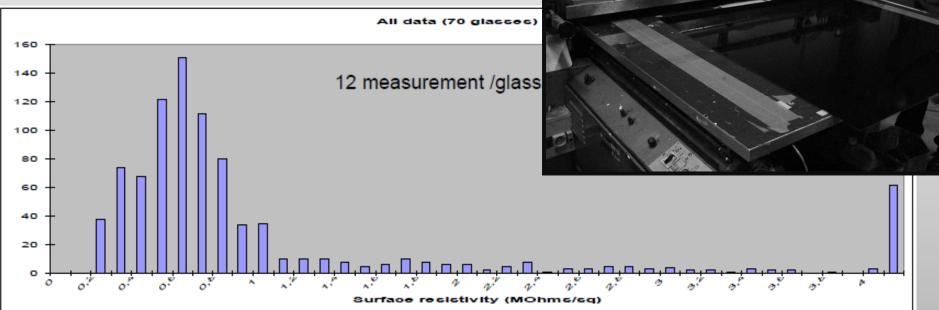
To guarantee the same performance all along the GRPC surface the gas and the electrode resisitivity must be homogeneous.

A good **gas distribution** within chamber is needed Large area $(1x1m^2)$ and very thin (1.2mm)

Multiplicity depends on the coating resistivity

- → higher resistivity lower multiplicity
- → Lower resistivity higher rate capability

Different **coatings** tested on different chambers. The best one was **colloidal graphite**



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Gap = 1mm

Capillary 1.2x01.0

PEEK dividers 20mm Ø = 1.2mm

(Simulation without including diffusion)

Silk screen printing with colloidal graphite

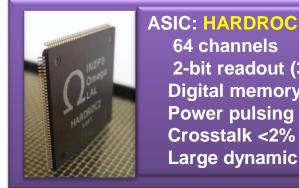
homogeneous and well controlled coating

GRPC chambers – Electronics: ASIC

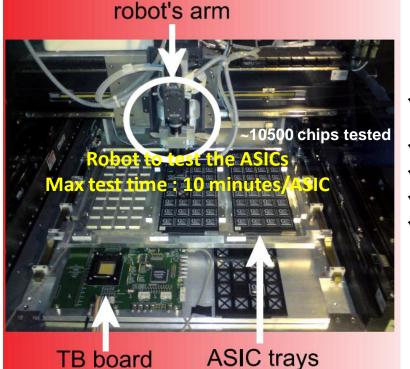


Due to the large number of readout channels (~4x10⁵ for 1m³) the readout electronics must be embedded in the detector, possible thanks to the chip miniaturization.

Test bench @ Lyon



64 channels 2-bit readout (3 thresholds) **Digital memory: 128 events** Power pulsing system. Crosstalk <2% Large dynamic



~10500 chips tested with a dedicated test bench using Labview based application:

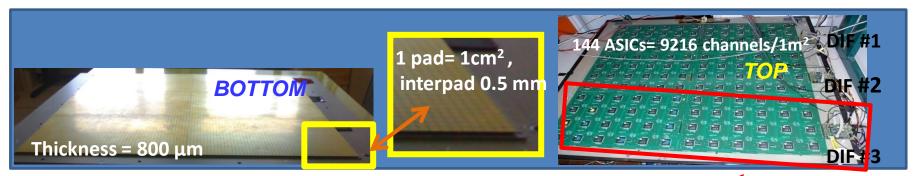
- Measurement of the DC levels and power consumption
- Test of the Slow Control loading
- Memory test
- **DAC** linearity \checkmark
 - Trigger efficiency measurement Pedestal for the 3 shapers
 - 100 fC trigger efficiency measurement for fsb0 + gain correction for each channel
 - 1 pC trigger efficiency measurement for fsb1 and fsb2

GRPC chambers – Electronics

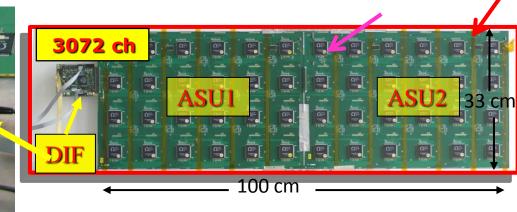


The HARDROCs are hosted in a Printed Circuit Board (PCB)→ ASU (Active Sensor Unit) It provides the connection between adjacent chips and links the first to the readout system and contains in the opposite face the 1x1cm² copper pads for the GRPC readout

1m² board fabrication too difficult → 6 ASU hosting 24 ASICs



Every two ASUs connected to each other and connected to one DIF 3 DIFs (connect to the DAQ) for a 1m²

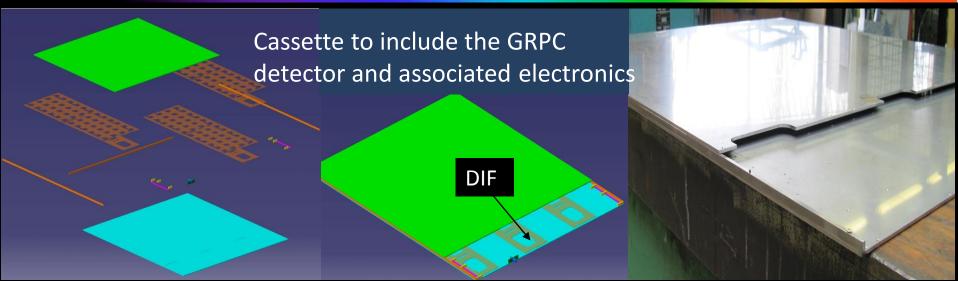




Thin ASU to ASU connector

GRPC Mechanic structure - Cassette



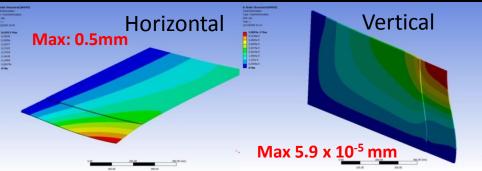


Box: 2 stainless steel plates 2.5mm thick 6x6 mm² stainless steel bars

PCB supports in polycarbonate (cut with water jet)

PCB fixed to plate using 1.6mm screws PCB fixed on the detector using 3mm screws

Mylar foil (175 μ m) separates detector from box

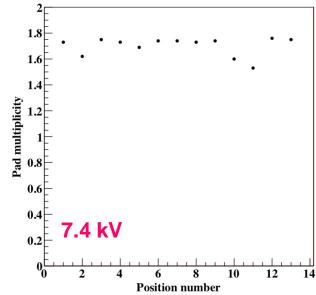


Deformation under its own weight as a function of storage orientation

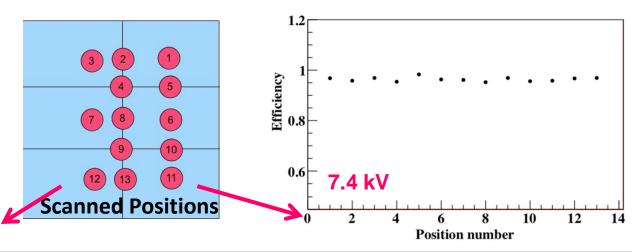
GRPC beam tests



Beam Line	Date	Aim	
CERN PS T10	July 2008 (7 days)	Small chambers Studies	Test beam
CERN PS T9	August 2008 (6 days)	Mini SDHCAL setup	
CERN PS T9	Nov. 2008 (5 days)	Small chambers Coating tests	1m ² GRPC
CERN PS T9	June/July 2009 (22 days)	Large Chamber + Small chambers High rate	Small GRPCs
CERN SPS H4	August 2009 (7 days)	Large chamber studies	Cinian Cita Cos
CERN PS T9	May 2010 (11 days)	Large chamber homogeneity	
CERN SPS H2	June 2010 (7 days)	PowerPulsing	CERN
CERN SPS H4	Sept 2010 (10 days)	Large chambers tracking	May 2010

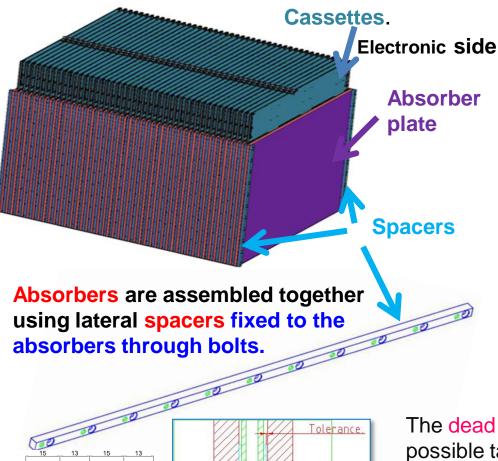


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Design of the 1m³ SDHCAL prototype



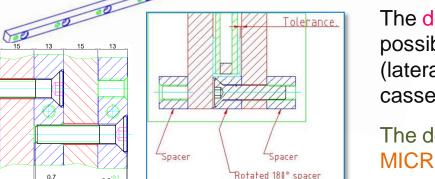
The design allows the insertion and further extraction of the cassettes.

Absorber Plates:

1011 x 1054 mm² lateral dimensions 15 ± 0.05 mm thick Surface Planarity < 500μm

Spacers: 13 mm thick (30-50µm accuracy)

Material: Stainless steel 304L (low permeability → it allows to use it in B=4T)



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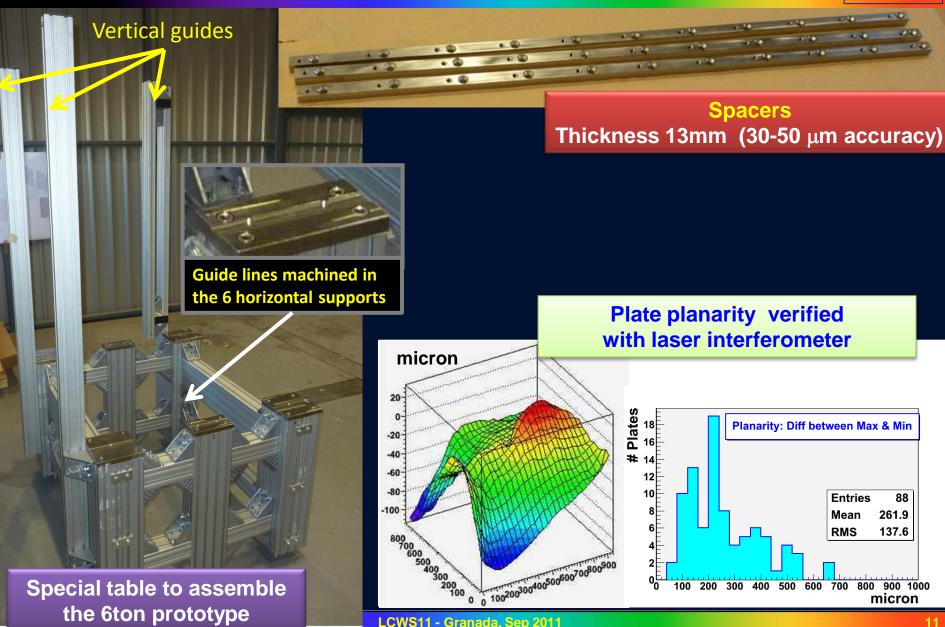
The dead spaces have been minimized as much as possible taking into account the mechanical tolerances (lateral dimensions and planarity) of absorbers and cassettes to ensure a safe insertion of the cassette.

The design also allows interchange the GRPC by MICROMEGAS

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Mechanical assembly





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Mechanical assembly @ CIEMAT





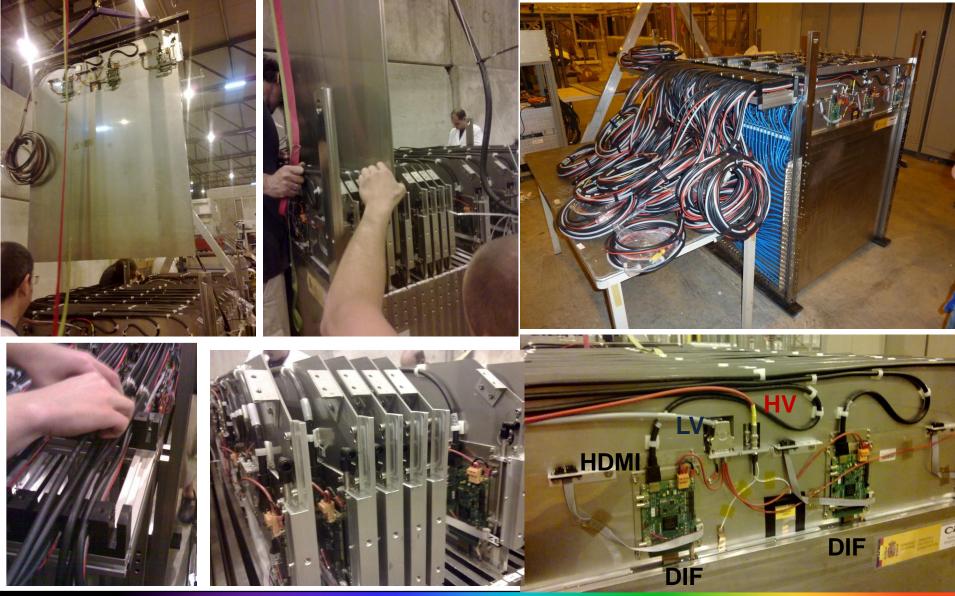
Mechanical assembly @ CIEMAT





GRPC Insertion & cabling @ CERN





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H2 SPS @ CERN June test beam



First attempt to show that both, detectors & electronics were performing well

Unfortunately the new DAQ generation wasn't yet ready by June .

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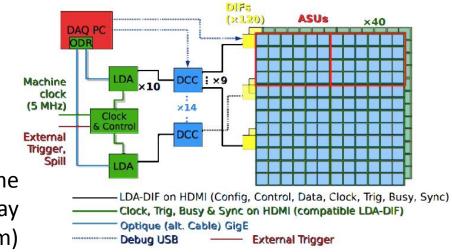
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But by using the USB DIF readout we were able to take a very small amount of data

USB readout is not designed for the prototype:

- → Extra cabling
- → Synchronization very difficult
- ➔ Very slow readout



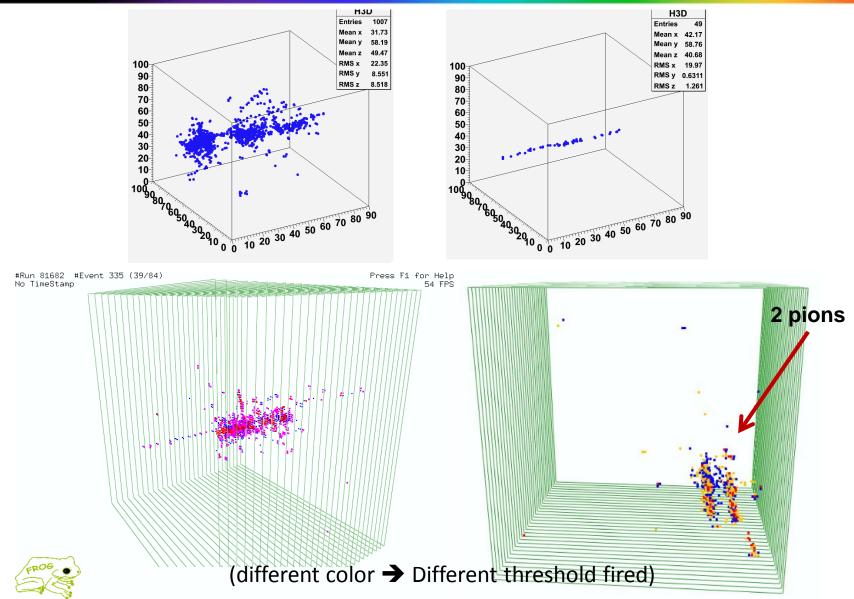


DAQ system scheme (see V.Boudry's talk on thursday Second Generation DAQ for CALICE beam)

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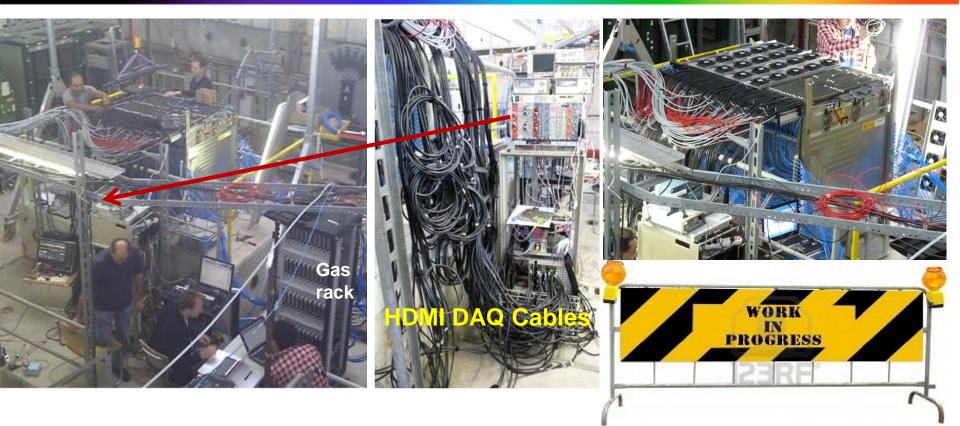
June test beam – Event displays





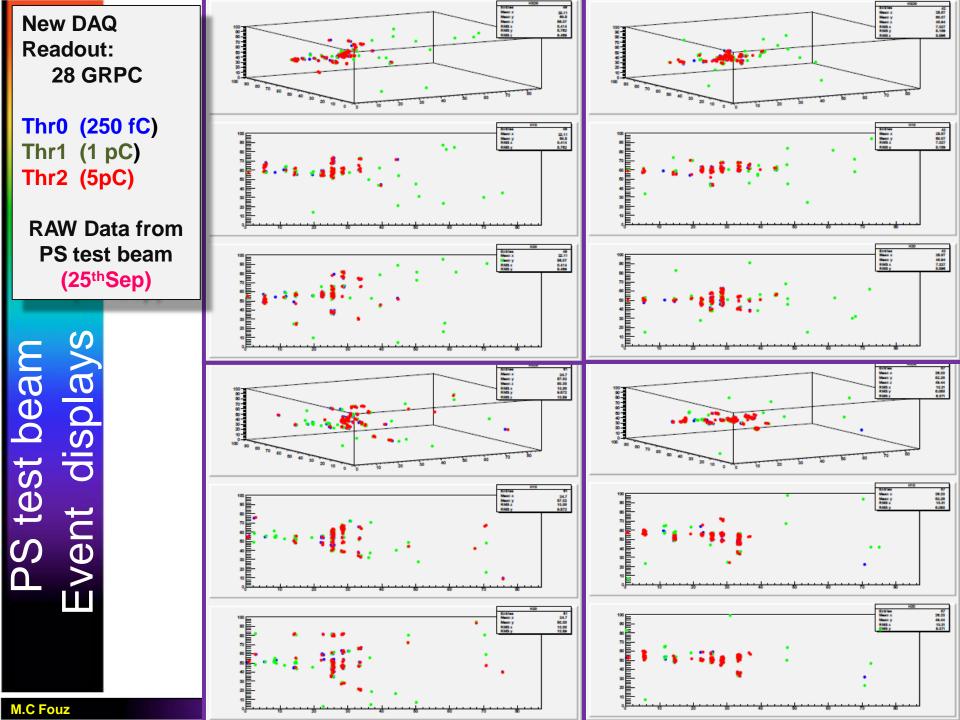
PS @ CERN September test beam





More GRPC chambers being inserted \rightarrow 47 GRPC

Final DAQ being commissioning



Summary & plans



A technological ~1m³ SDHCAL has been built.

- → Extensive GRPC (chambers & electronics) R&D during last years
- → Design & construction of a technological prototype
 - ➔ Reduced dead zones, self-supporting mechanical structure, embedded electronics, power-pulsed, one-side services.
 - → Construction of the mechanical structure (51 plates)
 - → 47 GRPC built, tested and integrated in the mechanical structure.

Cabling and first test with beam particles at SPS on June

New DAQ version being commissioned now with the prototype at PS, CERN

Test beam @ H2 SPS CERN October 2011 (9 days)

→ First tests for physics

But not enough to perform a full study.

Several months of test beam are needed at SPS CERN in 2012