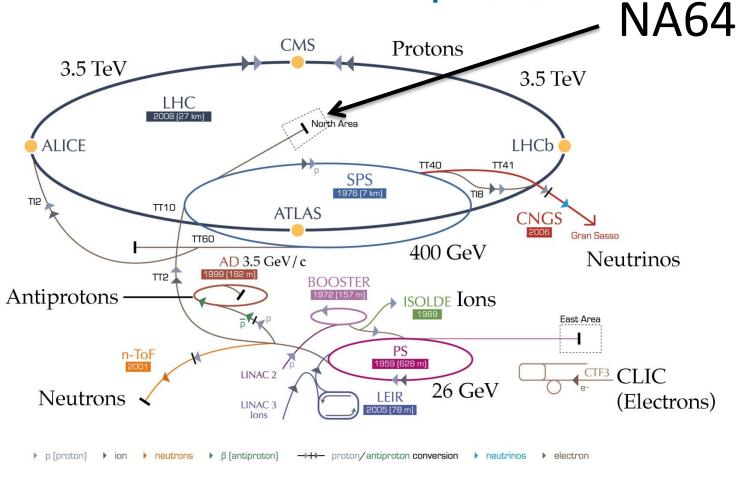
# Straw tubes for the NA64 experiment at CERN

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#### **CERN's accelerator complex** (2010)



LHC Large Hadron Collider SPS Super Proton Synchrotron PS Proton Synchrotron

AD Antiproton Decelerator CTF3 Clic Test Facility CNGS Cern Neutrinos to Gran Sasso ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine DEvice LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LINear ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight

# The goal of experiment

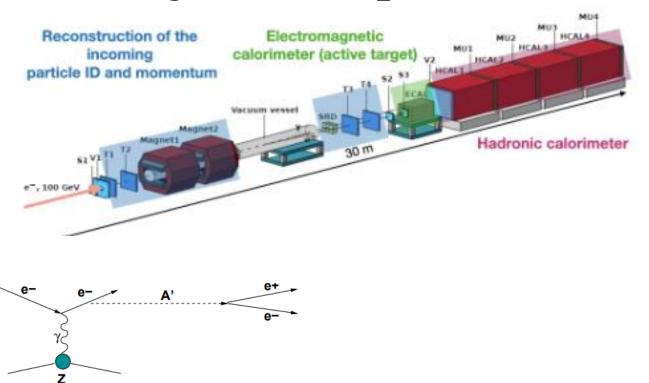


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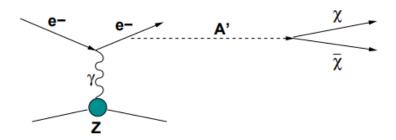
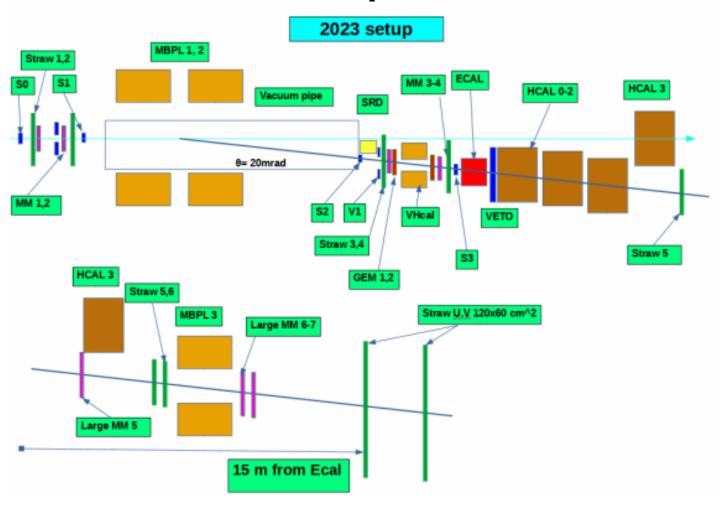


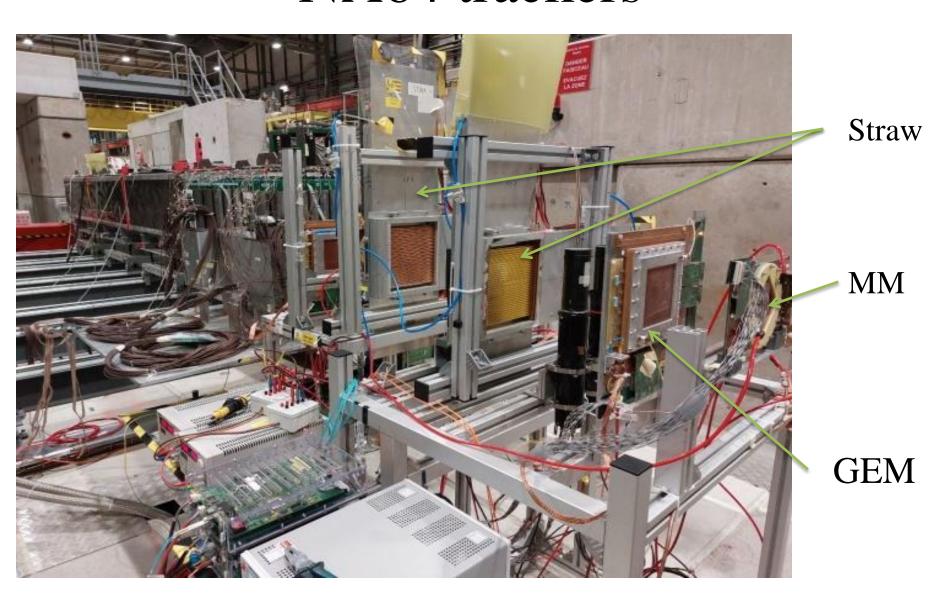
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# NA64 experiment



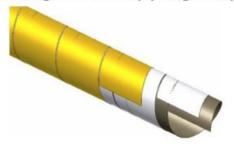
TRIGGER = S0 x S1 x S2 x S3 x V1 x Veto ECAL and HCAL MM, GEM, Straw MBPL SRD

# NA64 trackers



### Production of straw chambers I

#### Glueing 2 overlapping strips



Straw tubes contains two overlapped capton strips.

Thickness of external and internal layers are 40 and 12,5 microns respectively

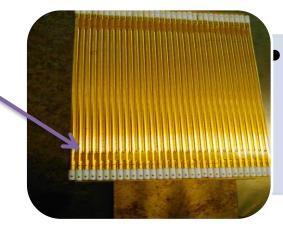


Singel straw tubes are glued to each other in order to create a plane

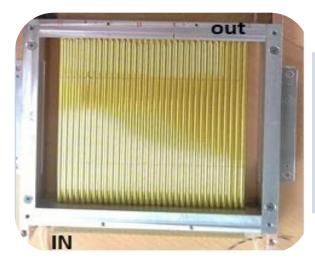


Each plane is offset by the radius of the tube to cover the entire volume

## Production of straw chambers II



 each tube in the plane has a hole for uniform gas supply



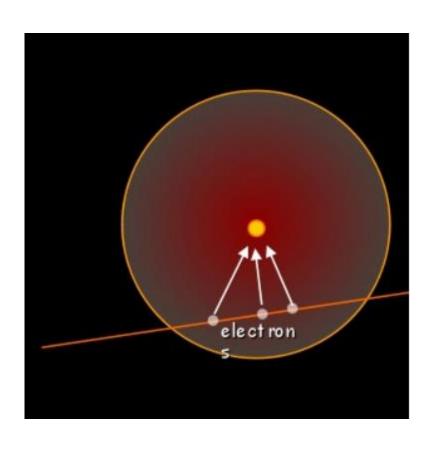
 layer of straw are made hermetic from each ends with in and out tubes for gas mixture As any other proportional chamber

The first 10ns -~100ns differ depending on gas and electric field

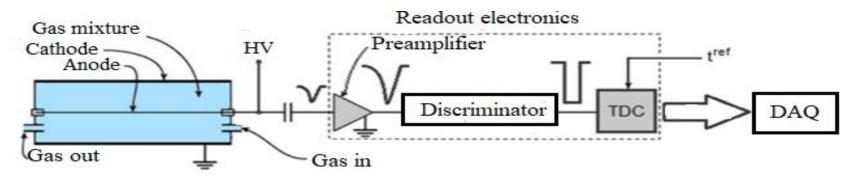
The tail lasts until last ion arrival, can be ~100-s microseconds

NA64 Straw detectors filled Ar/CO2(80/20)

How straw tube works?



# Signal formation



The moment of passage of the particle through the tube is set by the operation of external detectors, which, as a "Start" signal, is fed to the Time Digital Converter (TDC) and is indicated on the diagram as . A charged particle, ionizing a gas mixture, forms a track of positive ions and electrons. Electrons drift towards the wire and, in the region of a strong field near its surface, as a result of impact ionization form an avalanche with a duration of 1–2 nsec. The positive ions formed in the avalanche slowly drift from the anode to the cathode, inducing a signal on the anode wire. This signal, amplified by the preamplifier, is digitized by a threshold discriminator and arrives as a "Stop" signal at the time at the TDC.

#### Frontend electronics I

Mother board

Mother board has 32 channels(2 board)



**Amplifier** 

Amplifier contains 64 channels

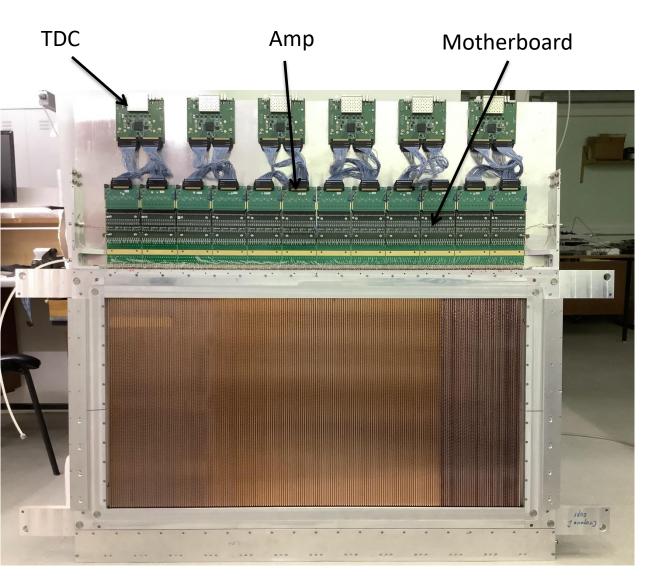


**TDC** 

Receives information from 64 channels



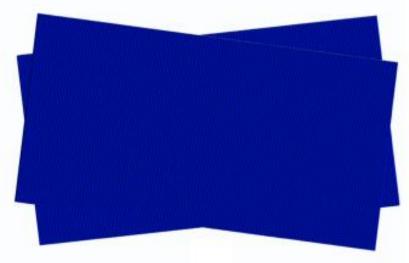
#### STRAW DETECTORS AT NA64





# Other pictures of chambers



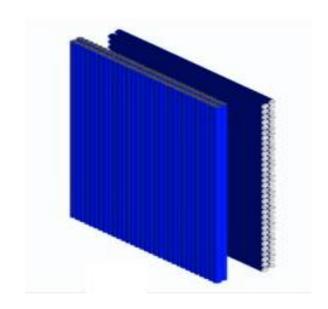


#### 1 UV station

- active area 1200x600 mm
- 4 layers UUVV
- tube length 600 mm
- 192 tubes
- incline angle ±7°

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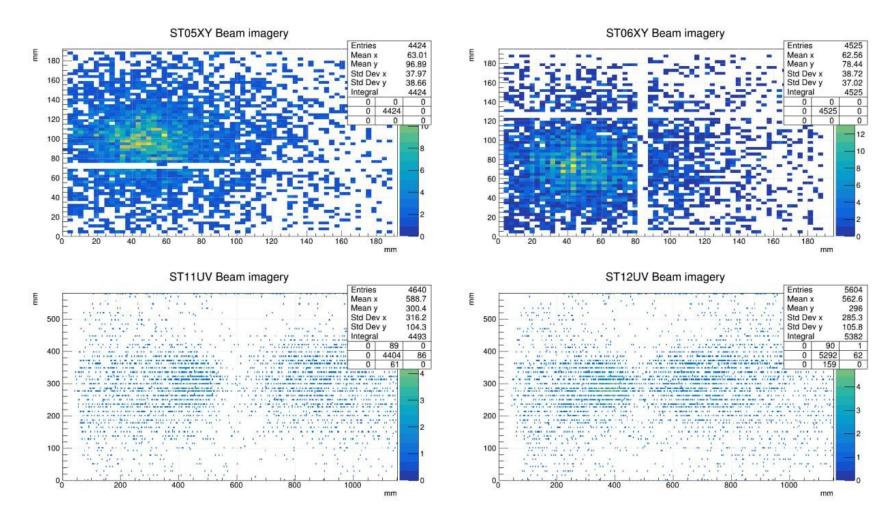




#### 4 XY station

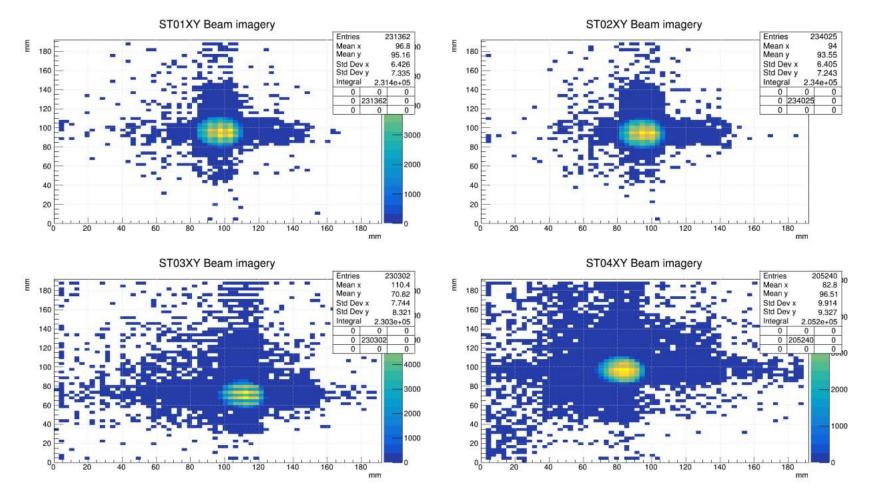
- active area 200x200 mm
- 4 layers XXYY
- tube lenghth 200 mm
- 32 tube

#### Perfomance of straw detectors



• Straw detectors online monitoring during the 4-5 sec. spill with  $6.2-6.8 \times \text{E6}$  e/spill.

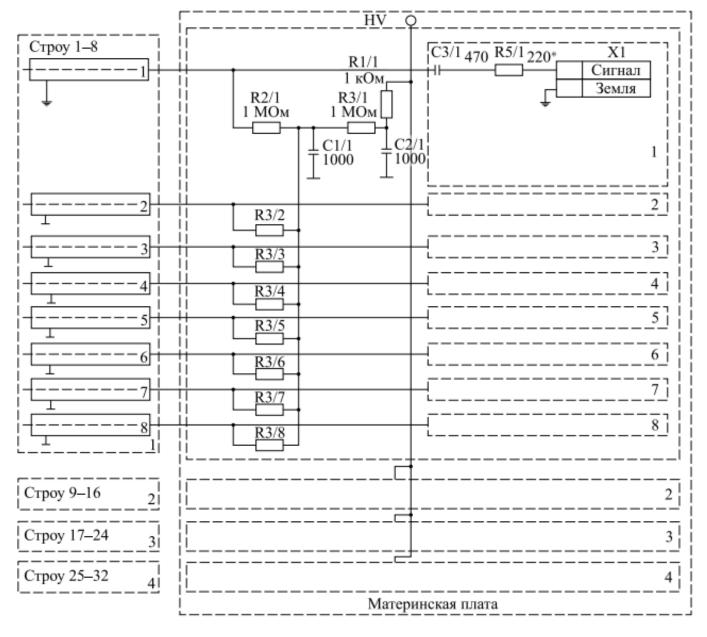
## Perfomance of straw detectors II



Straw detectors online monitoring during the 4-5 sec. spill with  $6.2-6.8 \times \text{E6 e/spill}$ .

# Thank you

## Backup for frontend (Motherboard)



# Backup for frontend (Amplifier)

