

The SAMURAI TPC, research goals, technical design and schedule

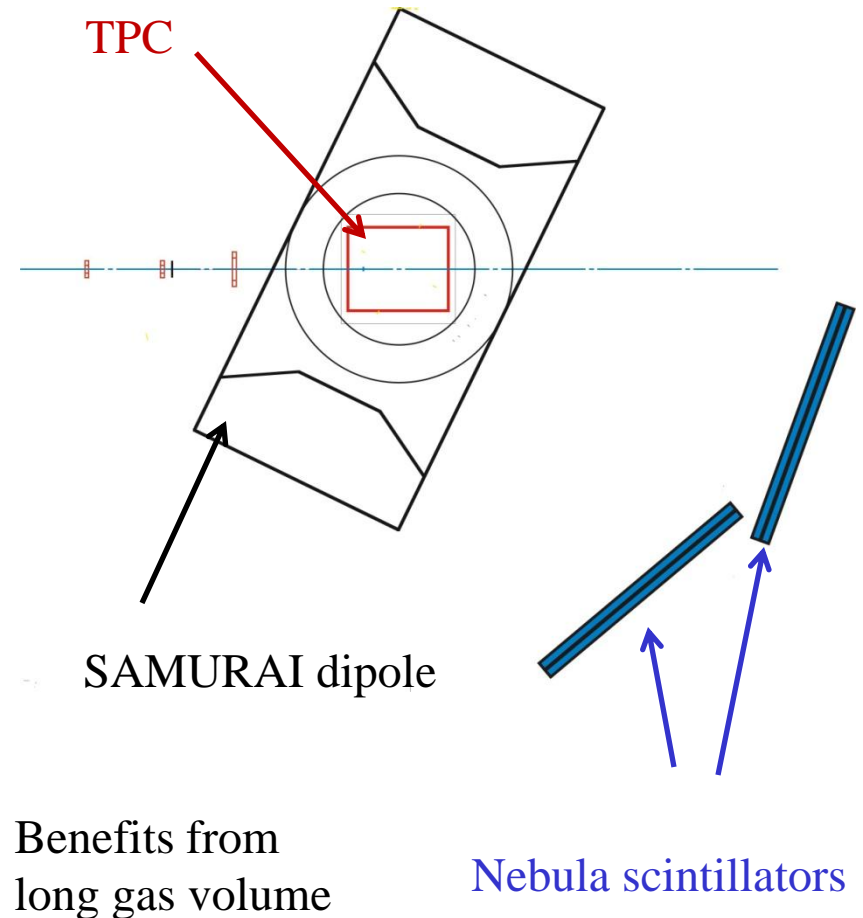
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Outline

- Research goals for the TPC
- Technical/Design Questions
- Conceptual design
- Time frame
- Some issues to be considered

Device: SAMURAI TPC

- Design and build TPC for use within the gap of the SAMURAI dipole.
- The SAMURAI TPC would be used to constrain the density dependence of the symmetry energy at densities greater than saturation density ρ_0 through measurements of:
 - Pion production
 - n, p, t and ^3He flow, including neutron flow measurements with the NEBULA array.
- The TPC may also serve as an active target both in the magnet or as a stand alone device.
 - Asymmetry dependence of fission barriers, extrapolation to r-process. }
 - Giant resonances.
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EoS Program Measurement Requirements

- The ability to identify both positive and negative pions, as well as the isotopes of hydrogen and helium.
- The ability to separate the tracks of positive pions from the more abundant hydrogen and helium isotopes.
- Measurements of momentum resolutions to about 2%.
- Measurements of momentum and rapidity distributions both in and out of the reaction plane, with impact parameter selection.
- An efficient scintillator wall for trigger purposes.
- The possibility to measure neutrons.
- The possibility to measure heavier isotopes with ancillary detectors placed at forward angles.
 - This requires a thin window in the field cage.

Design requirements for active target

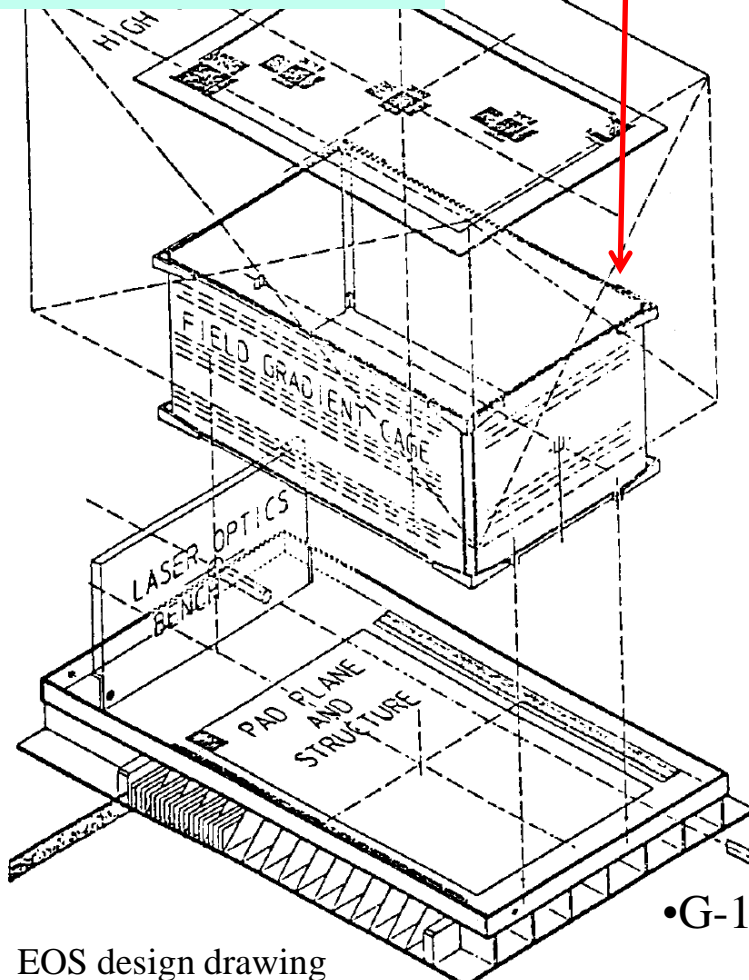
- The ability to run non-standard gases; e.g. H_2 , D_2 , He. Separate detector and insulation gas volumes
 - The drift velocities in pure H_2 , D_2 and He gases are low.
 - The dielectric strengths of pure H_2 , D_2 and He gases are not that high.
 - The lack of UV photon suppression (He) which leads to continuous discharge can be a problem.
 - H_2 and D_2 can be a safety concern.
- The ability to position ancillary detectors at forward angles.
 - This requires a thin window in the field cage.

Motivates
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gases

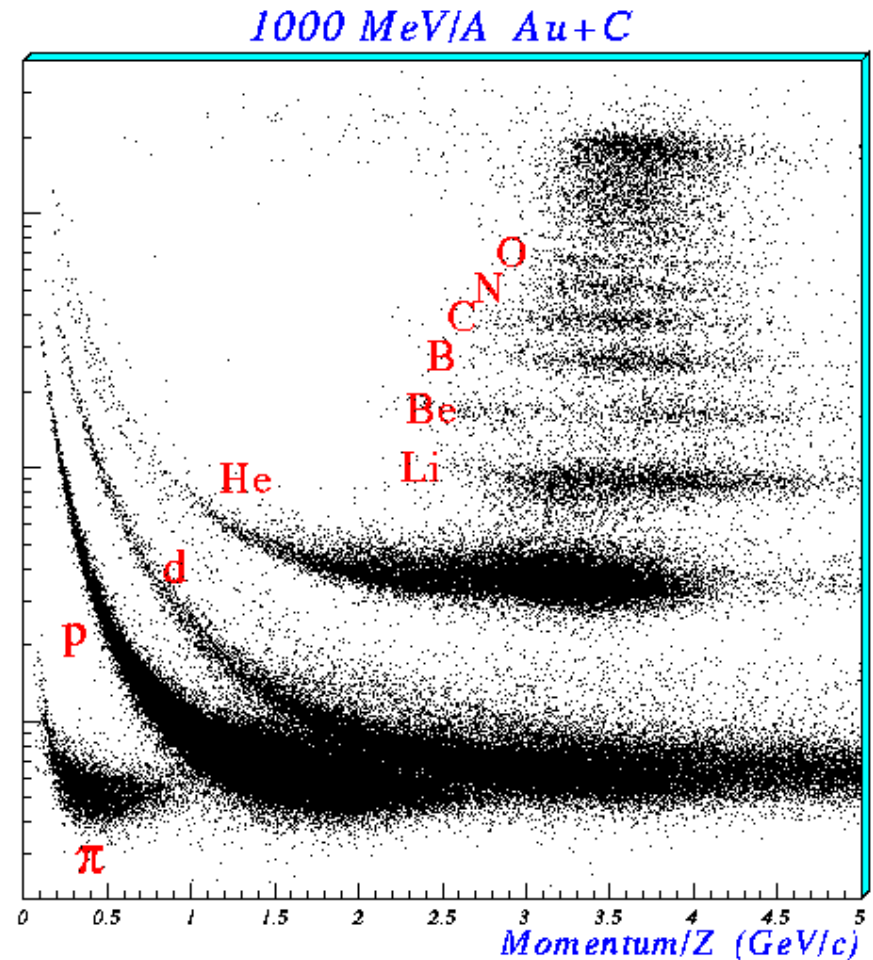
SAMURAI requires a dipole design e.g. EOS TPC

Q in pads, and time of arrival yields x, y, z, dE/dx for each particle.

Rohacell (plastic closed cell material, mostly gas)



EOS design drawing

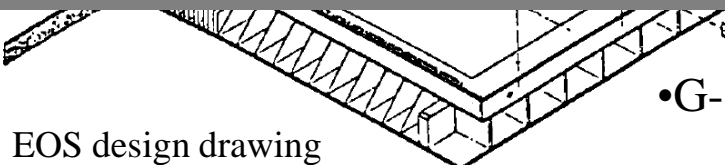
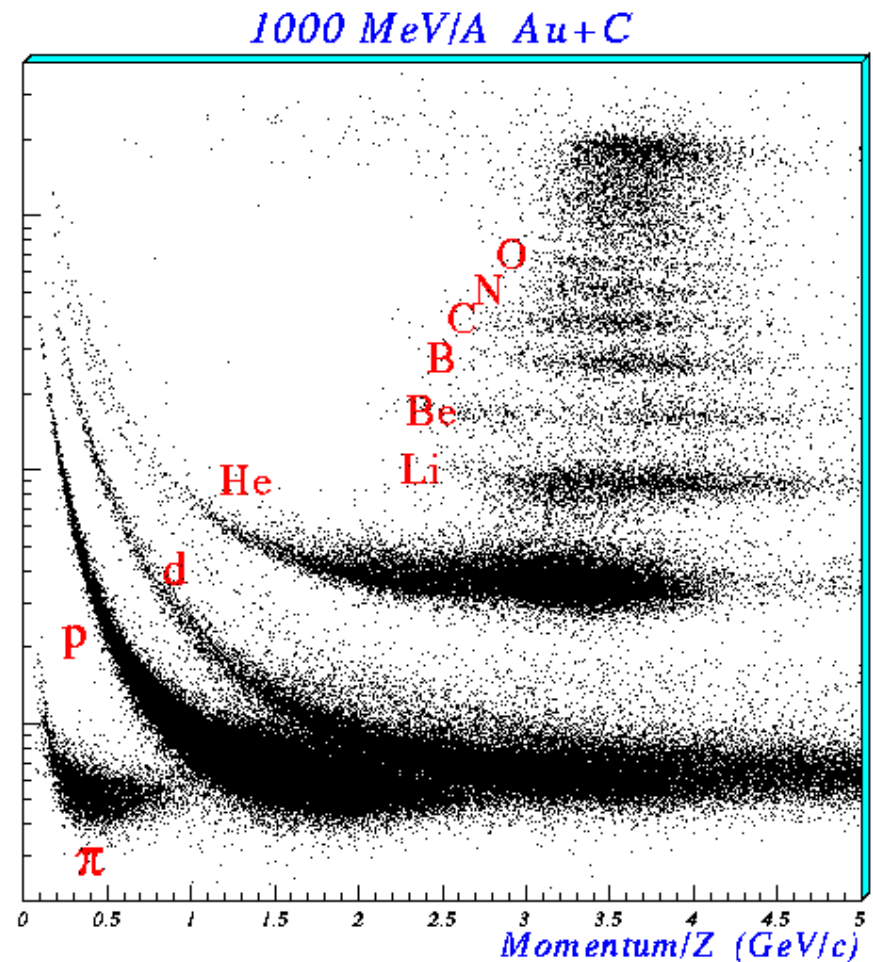


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Dipole design e.g. EOS TPC

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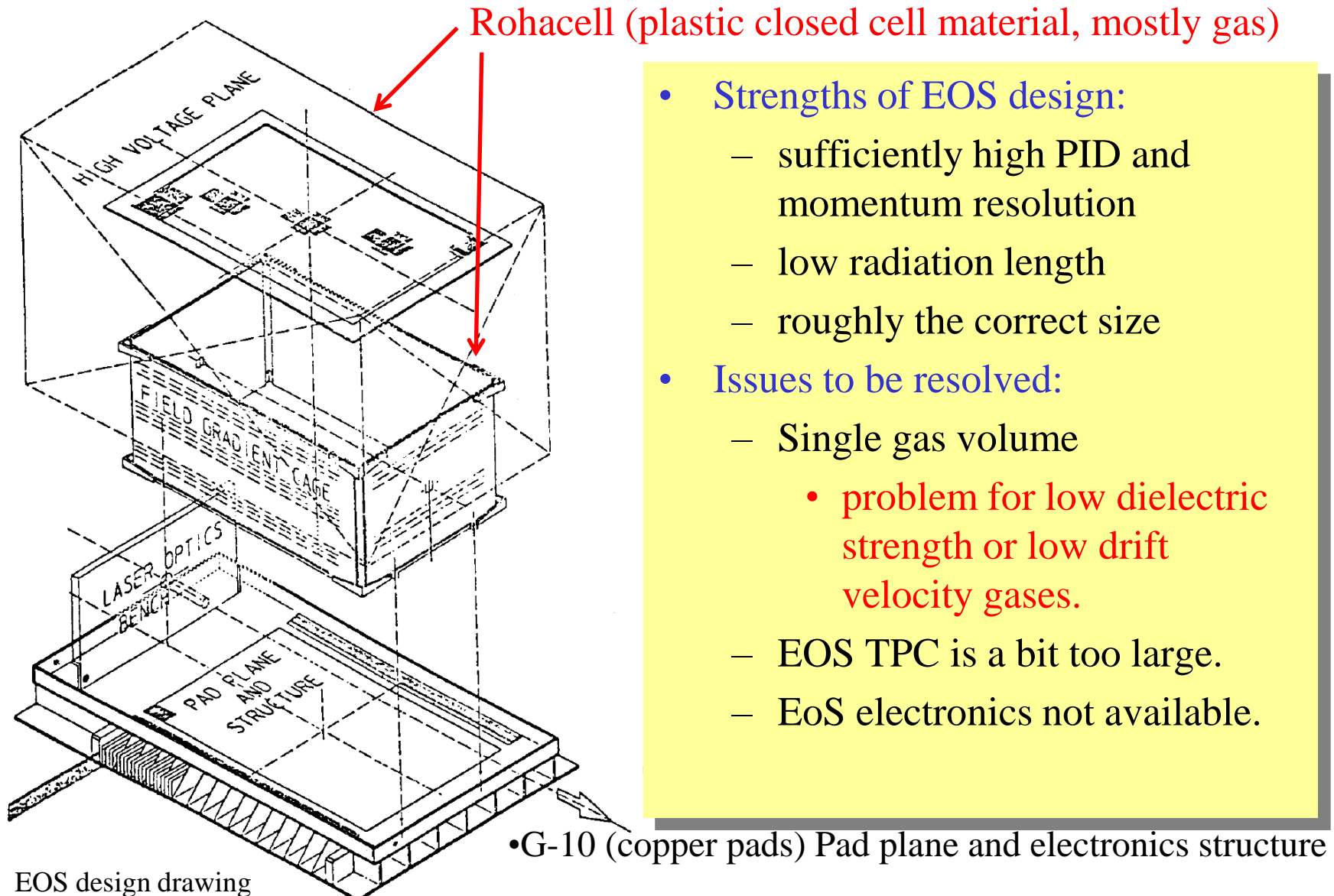
- Strengths of EOS design:
 - sufficiently high PID resolution



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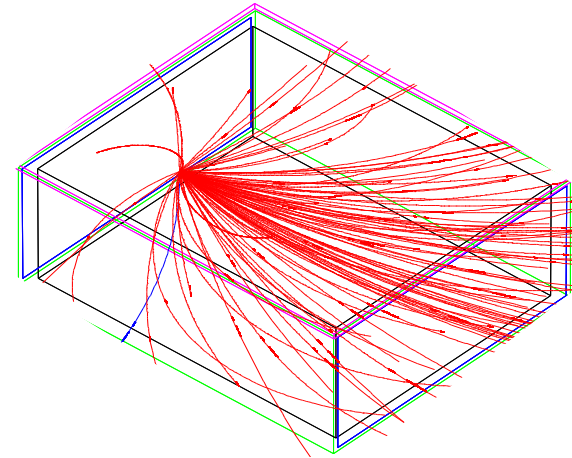


Proposed SAMURAI TPC properties

(DOE FOA awarded Oct 2010)

SAMURAI TPC proposed design parameters

Pad plane area	130 cm x 86 cm
Number of pads	11664 (108 x 108)
Pad size	12 mm x 8 mm
Momentum resolution (Isobe)	2%
Drift distance	55 cm
Pressure	1 atmosphere
dE/dx range	Z=1-3 (Star El.), 1-8 (Get El.)
Two track resolution	2.5 cm
Multiplicity limit	200 (may impact absolute pion eff. in large systems.)



GEANT simulation

$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ collisions at $E/A=300$ MeV

- Good efficiency for pion track reconstruction is essential.
- Initial design is based upon EOS TPC, whose properties are well documented.

SAMURAI TPC Design Issues

- The choice of electronics readout and the associated mechanics of pad plane and electronics readout (RIKEN/MSU)
- The gas amplification scheme (MSU)
- The overall size and placement within SAMURAI magnet (RIKEN)
- The mechanics for chamber, field cage, target (MSU, TAMU)
 - Ancillary detectors in gas volume?
 - Use of difficult counter gases?
 - Separate insulation gas? (useful for helium or hydrogen)
- The laser system (WMU, RIKEN)

The Electronics Decision

- EoS had a 12 bit ADC. This provides a dynamic range that extends from pions to oxygen.
- STAR (new and old) and ALICE electronics have 10 bit digitization, which reduces the dynamic range
- AGET (SACLAY active target electronics) has a 12 bit ADC, and will be in production in 2012-2013.
- This new electronics has a higher rate capability.
- We proposed to use STAR electronics initially and upgrade to the AGET electronics at the end of 2014.
 - This rules out MICROMEGAS, which cannot use STAR electronics (polarity is wrong).

Figures adapted from Rai et al.,

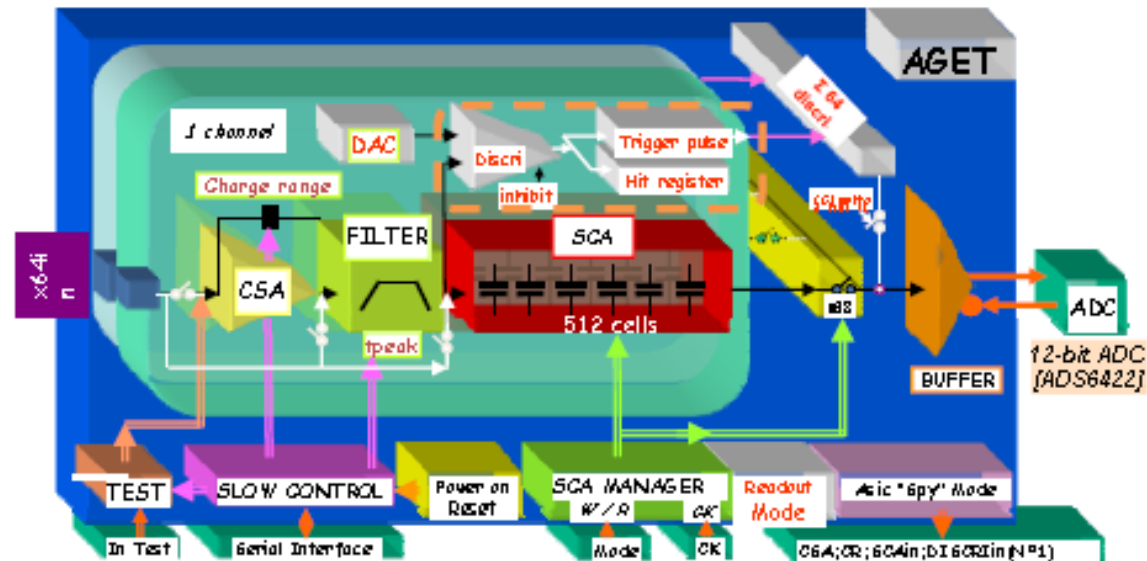
EOS pad signal for centered minimum ionizing particle (in P10)	
dE/dx (eV/cm)	1250
Pad Length (cm)	1.2
Electrons/eV loss	26
Gas Gain	2400
Pad signal (e's)	8800
channel (EoS)	40

Electronics	bits	noise (e's)	Dynamic range	ch/ noise	M.I. ch #	max charge at $y_b/2$	max charge at y_b	max rate(s ⁻¹)
EOS	12	700	150 fC	3	40	~5	8	20
STAR	10	600	125 fC	.77	40	2-3	4	100
AGET	12	850	120 fC	4.5	40	~5	8	1000

AGET: Planned final SAMURAI electronics

AGET ASIC design: incorporates aspects of the T2K ASIC design

Collaborators from IRFU, GANIL, CENBG, NSCL, RIKEN, U. Kyoto ...



New features

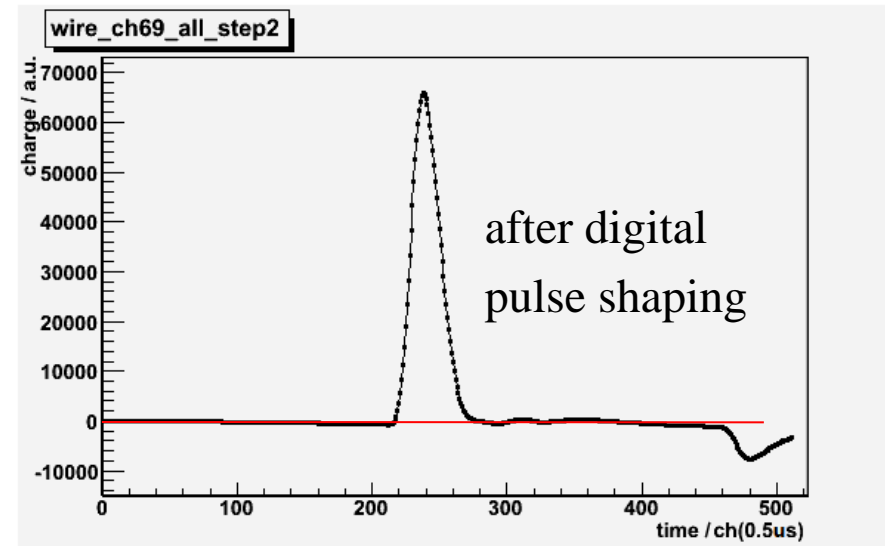
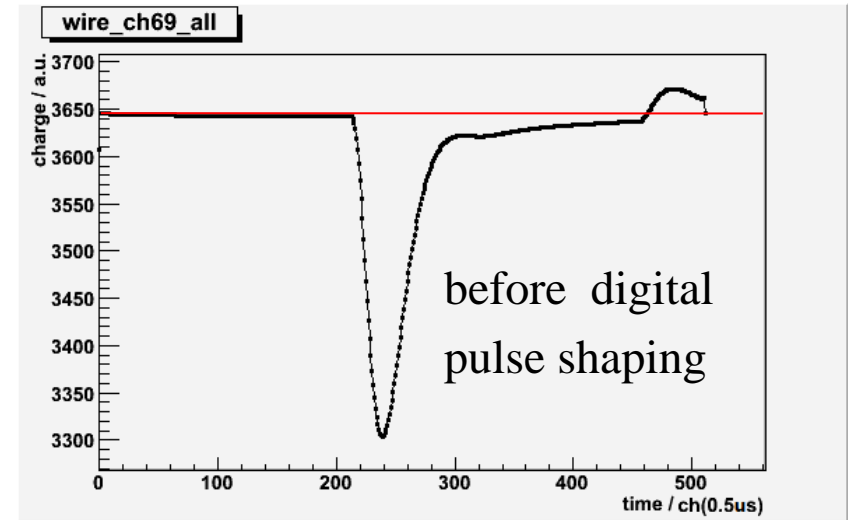
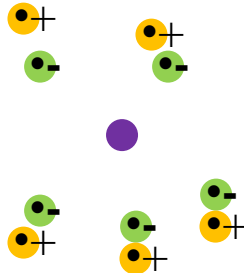
- Discriminator -> 'Hit' channel
- Internal trigger
 - Level 1; hit-pad multiplicity, Level 2; hit pattern analysis
- Trigger rate $\sim 1,000$ Hz (<-Selective SCA readout)
- Data compression, Timestamp

- Prototype is being tested now.

AGET is designed for Micromegas

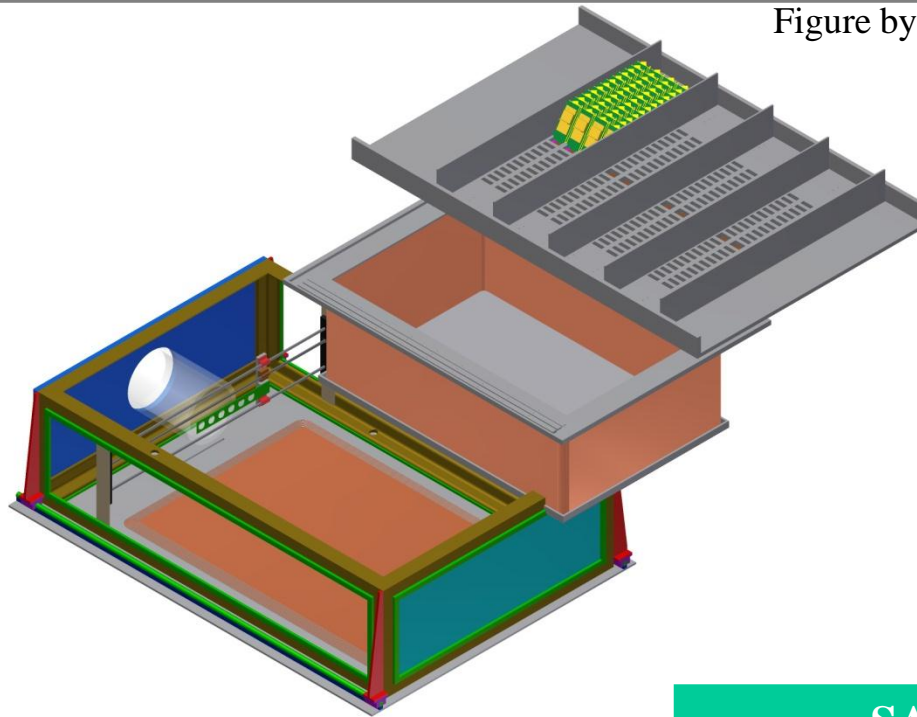
Can we use AGET electronics with wires?

- The AGET and T2K electronics have no pole-zero circuit to compensate for slow ion drift.
- We have observed the slow ion drift in a test of wire readout technology using the T2K readout board.
- We have removed the slow ion drift tail by digital pulse shaping techniques.



Samurai TPC conceptual design features

Figure by McIntosh, Dunn, Barney, Gilbert

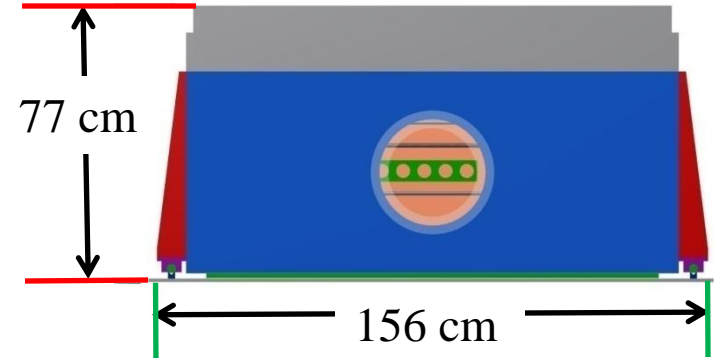


- Separate detector and insulation gas volumes.
- Very thin field cage and chamber walls to allow measurements of fragments and neutrons.
- A pad plane design that allows switch from STAR to AGET electronics.

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Number of pads	11664 (108 x 108)
Pad size	12 mm x 8 mm
Drift distance	53 cm
Pressure	1 atmosphere

Figures by McIntosh, Dunn, Barney, Gilbert



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Present status of SAMURAI TPC project

- Conceptual design will be completed this month.
 - followed by design review and costing.
- STAR electronics is packed and will be shipped to Michigan soon.
- Detailed design of the chamber will be completed by the end of summer.
- Construction and assembly will be completed by end of 2012.
- Testing will be completed by summer 2013
- Installation in RIKEN is planned for 2014.

Star electronics before packing

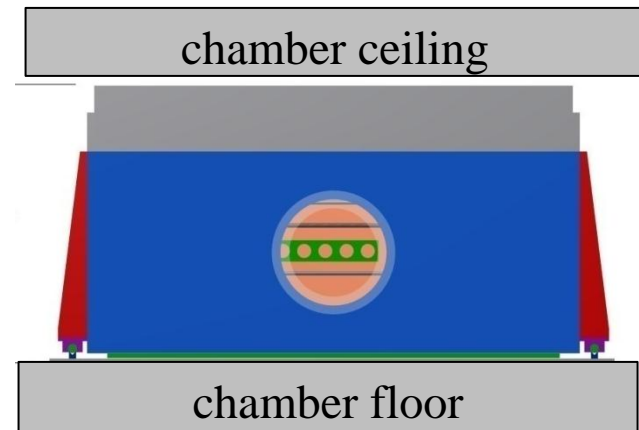


Photos by Chajecski, et al.

Issues for discussion

(What we presently know. It is not a complete list)

- Water cooling:
 - Need to remove ~ 2 kW of power dissipated in FEE and RDO cards
- Clean power: ~ 4 -5 kW?
- Installation:
 - rails bolted to chamber floor
 - Access for insertion
- Electronics location
- gas handling
- laser
- alignment
- clean room



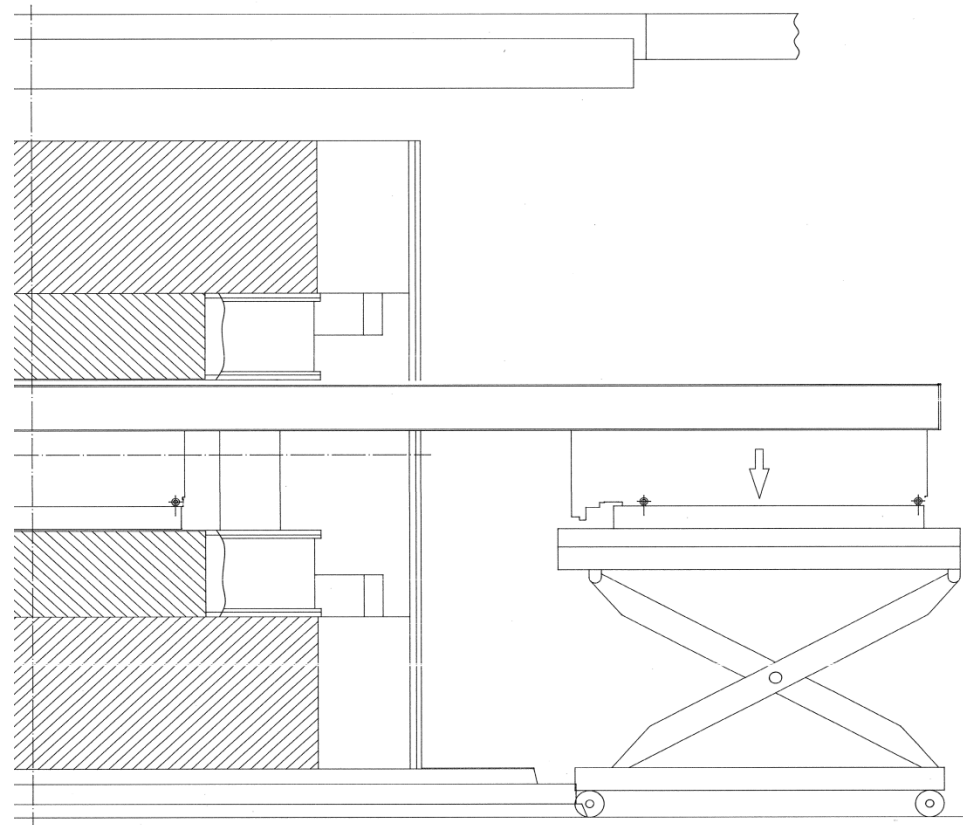
mass ~ 500 kg

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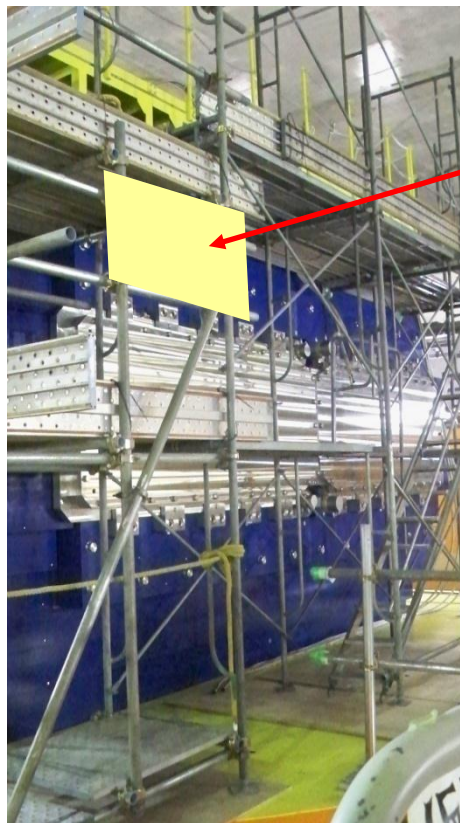


EoS TPC insertion design

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 - location of VME crate and power supplies
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- alignment
- clean room

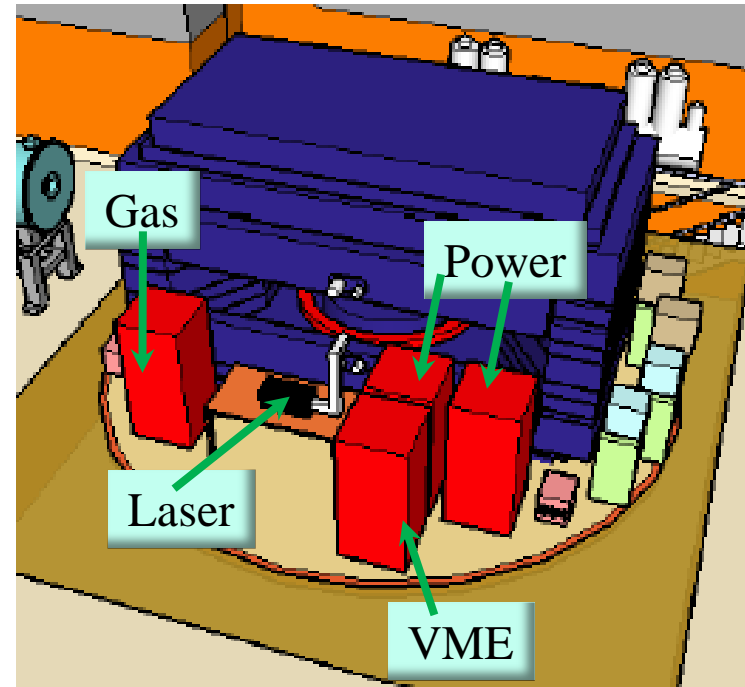


- RDO cards
 - Need to be within 2 m of TPC
 - Can be removed

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 - location of VME crate and power supplies
⇒ 2-3 racks
- gas handling: 1 rack
- laser
- alignment: want $\vec{E} \perp \vec{B}$ and knowledge of location.
- clean room: class 10000 with access to crane



- Laser positioning is critical
- Positioning of VME, gas controller and power supplies is not critically important.

Summary and acknowledgements

- The RIBF facility is the most suitable accelerator facility for many of these measurements.
- The SAMURAI magnet is well suited for a TPC designed for nucleus-nucleus collisions.
 - We would appreciate having a web site where drawings and other documentation about the SAMURAI dipole and its associated devices, including the SAMURAI TPC, could be stored and retrieved.
- We appreciate the support of the RIBF facility and the SAMURAI collaboration for this program.
- I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the SAMURAI TPC collaboration, which provide most of the information presented.
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