

Quality Control in the Construction of new small-diameter Muon Drift Tube (sMDT) Chambers for the ATLAS Muon Spectrometer at the HL-LHC

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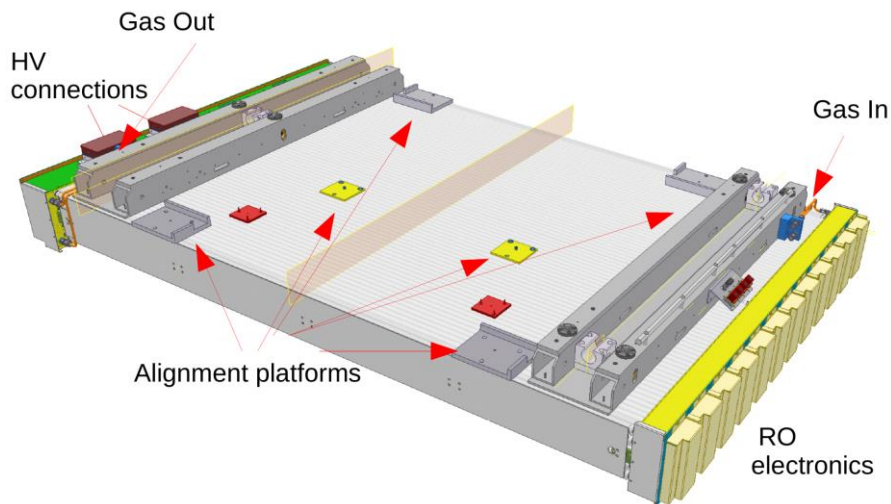
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- Installation of 96 small-diameter Muon Drift Tube (sMDT) chambers + thin-gap RPCs during the ATLAS detector upgrade for the High-Luminosity LHC in the small barrel sector
- Goal: increase the trigger acceptance, rate capability, efficiency and selectivity
- sMDTs half the diameter of previous MDTs (30 mm \rightarrow **15 mm**)
- 464 (BIS2-6) up to 560 (BIS1) sMDTs make up a chamber

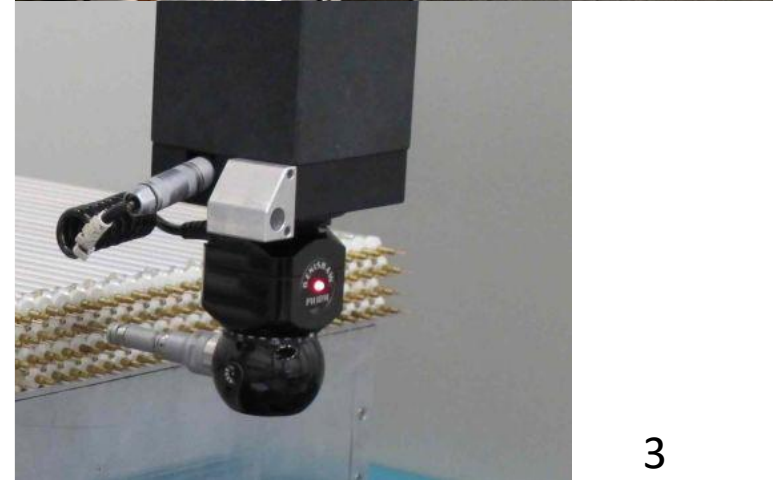
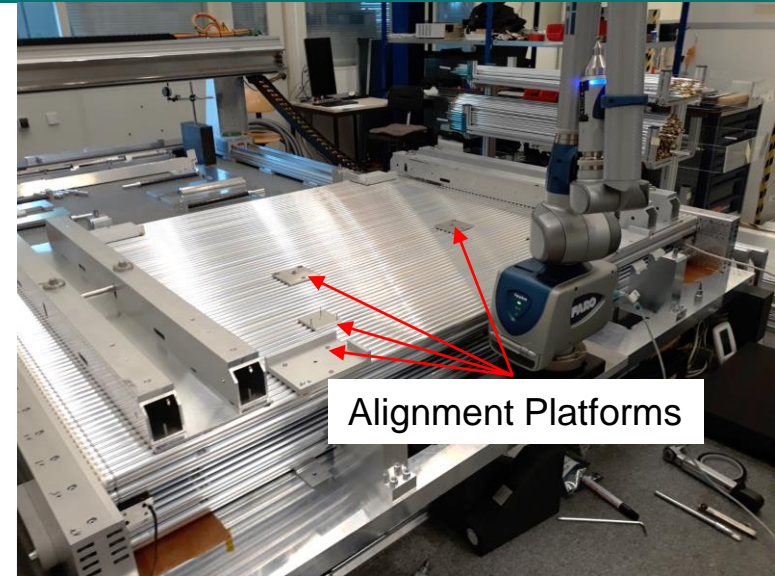


- Operated with Ar:CO₂ (93:7) gas mixture at 3 bar absolute pressure and 2730 V operating voltage to provide a **single tube resolution of 100 microns**
- Sense **wire positioning accuracy of 20 microns** required to achieve desired momentum resolution
- 48+2 chambers built at MPI, 48+2 chambers built at University of Michigan

Quality Control Motivation



- High mechanical precision, high reliability and lifetime over >15 years of ATLAS operation at HL-LHC
- Stringent quality control and documentation of all components and at all steps of the chamber construction (see Alice's talk, T 23.5):
 - Tube production
 - Chamber and alignment sensor platform gluing
 - Wire position measurements
 - Gas system installation (covered by Alice)
 - Electronics installation (covered by Alice)
 - Cosmic ray tests (covered by Alice)





Wiring and wire tensioning stations



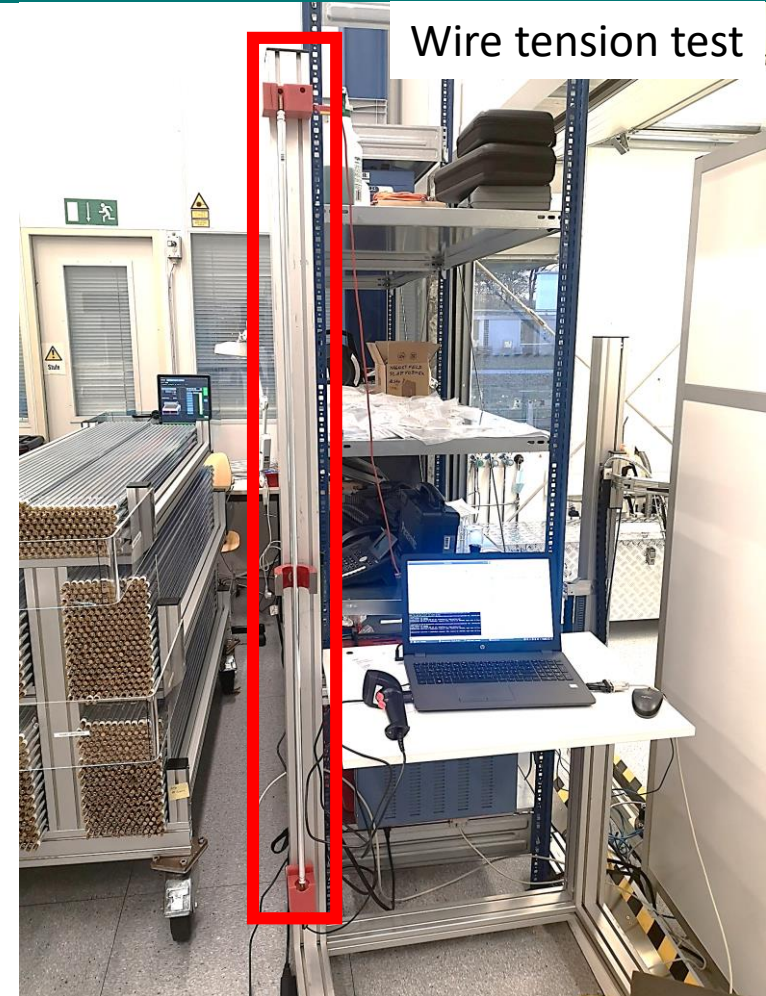
Gas tightness and dark current tests

- Drift tube production under **class 1000 clean room** conditions to avoid any contamination
- Semi-automated assembly
- Up to 300 tubes can be produced + tested per week

Drift Tube QC:

- **Gas leakage rate**
 - Tube filled with Ar:He (95:5) gas mixture at 3 bar overpressure in evacuated cylinder
 - detecting leaking He, translate to leaking Ar
- **Dark current**
 - Dark current tested with nominal ArCO₂ gas mixture at the nominal voltage + 300 V
 - Measured and averaged over 10 minutes

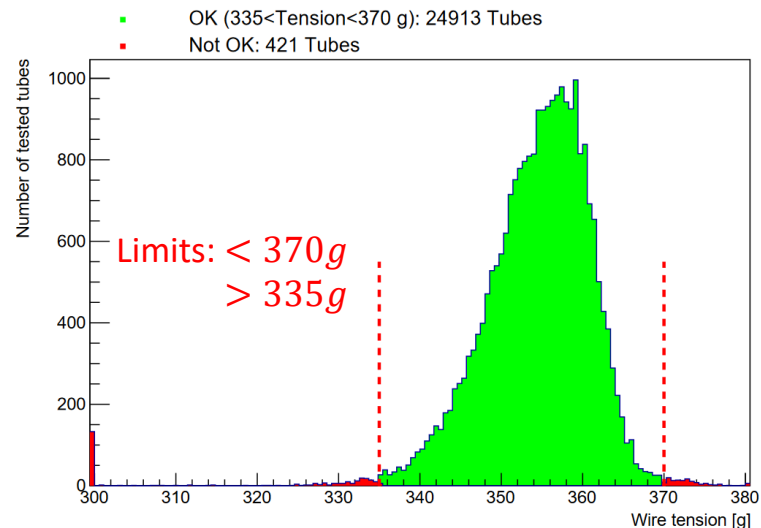
- **Tube length**
 - Selection into 3 length categories
 - Tubes of similar lengths in the same multilayer to avoid problems during gas system installation
- **Wire tension**
 - Assures knowledge of wire position over whole tube length
 - 2 measurements with over 2 weeks delay → make sure wires don't slip out of the crimps
- Production **failure rate** ~5 %



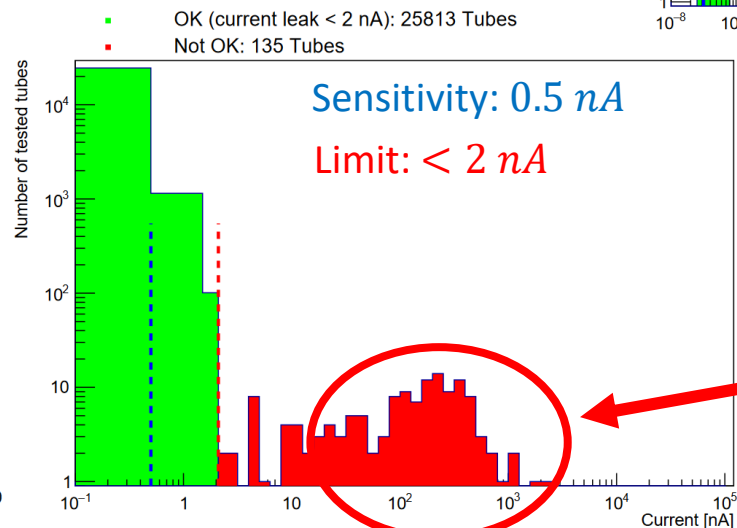
Drift Tube QC

Tube certification:

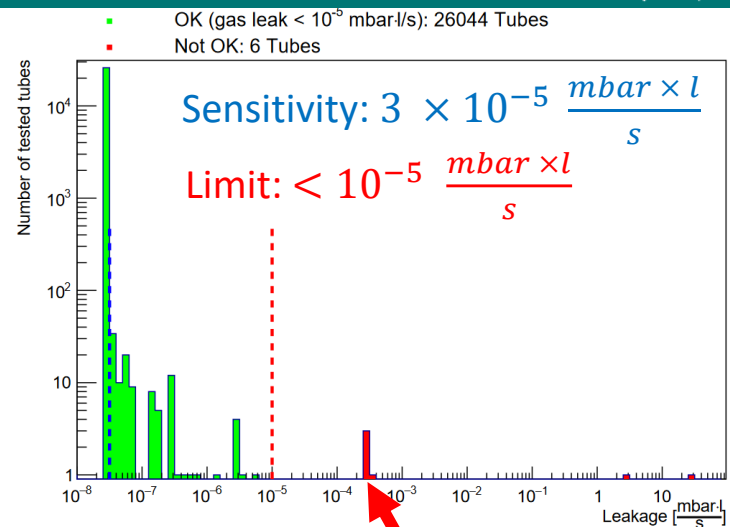
- Each tube labeled and identified with a bar code in the QC database including its location in the chamber
- Tubes checked to be **"good"** according to the database **before gluing** them in the chamber



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Dust contamination inside tubes for short time period

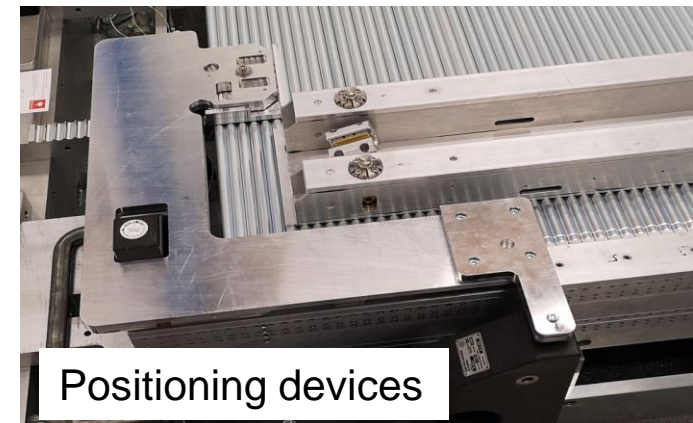
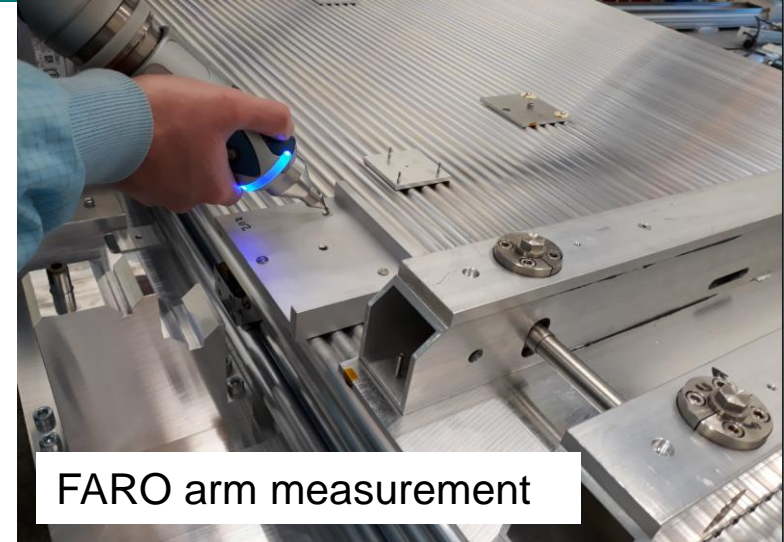


Nearly no rejections

Alignment Platforms



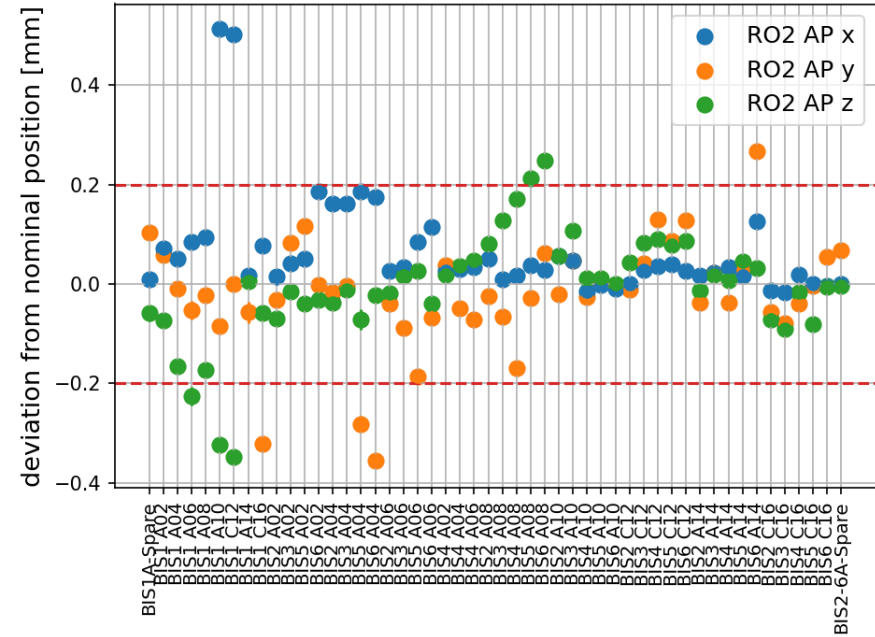
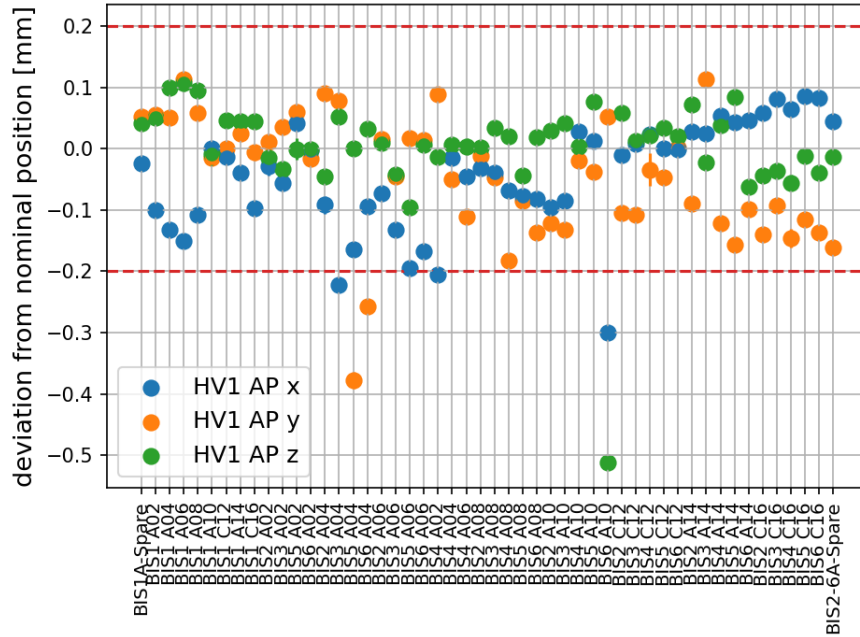
- Chamber and platform gluing in temperature-controlled class 10000 clean room
- Platforms for mounting of optical sensors of the global chamber alignment monitoring system
- 3D electro-mechanical feeler (FARO arm) measures platform positions in each direction → **tolerance of 200 (500) μm** for AP and CCC (B-field) platforms
- Positions relative to the sense wire grid must be known with **at least 30 μm precision**
- FARO arm measurement **achieves 10 μm precision**



Platform Positions



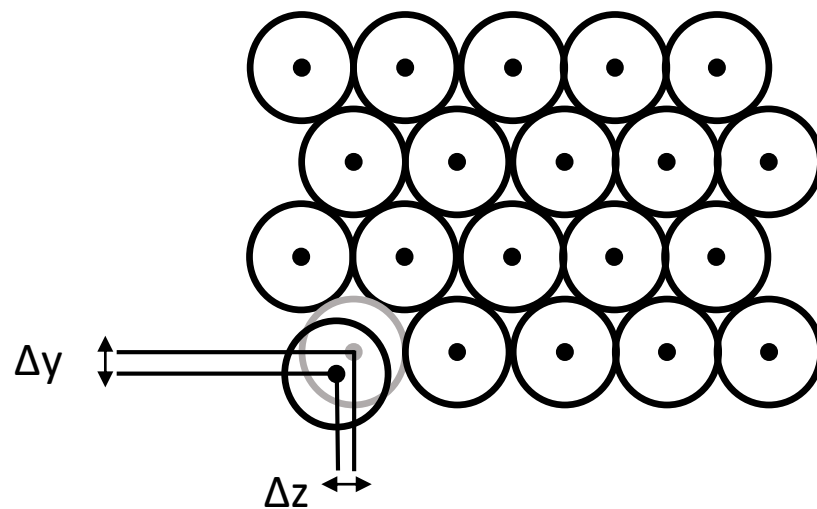
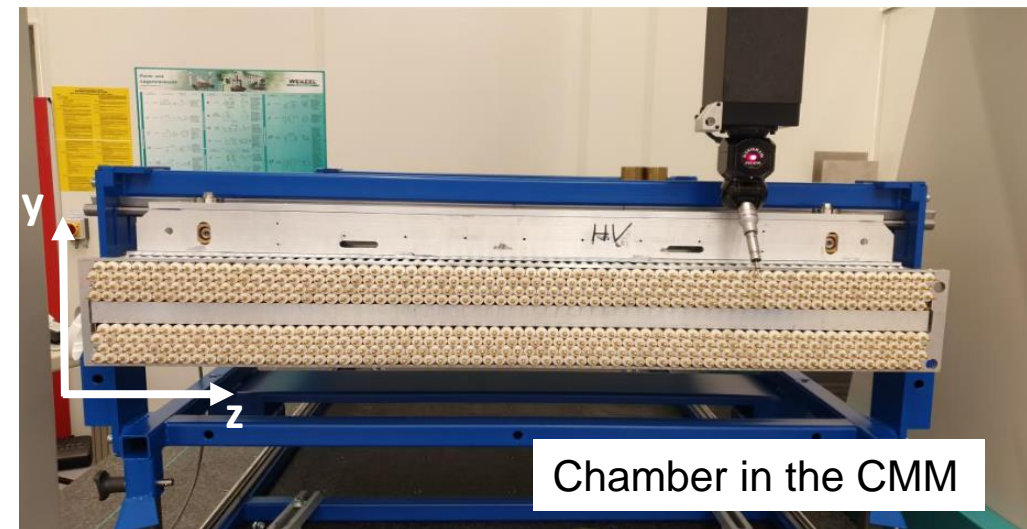
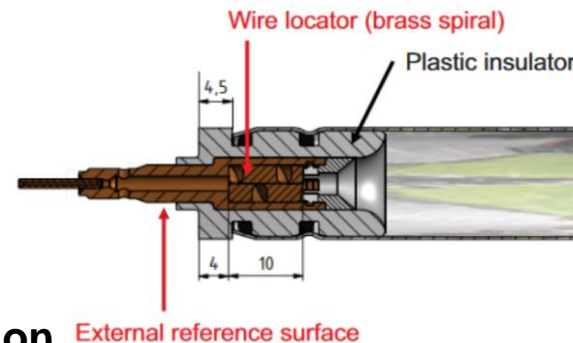
- E.g. AP platform position results:



- All 3 angles are derived from measurements as well
- Platform positions **within specifications with few exceptions**

Wire Position Measurements

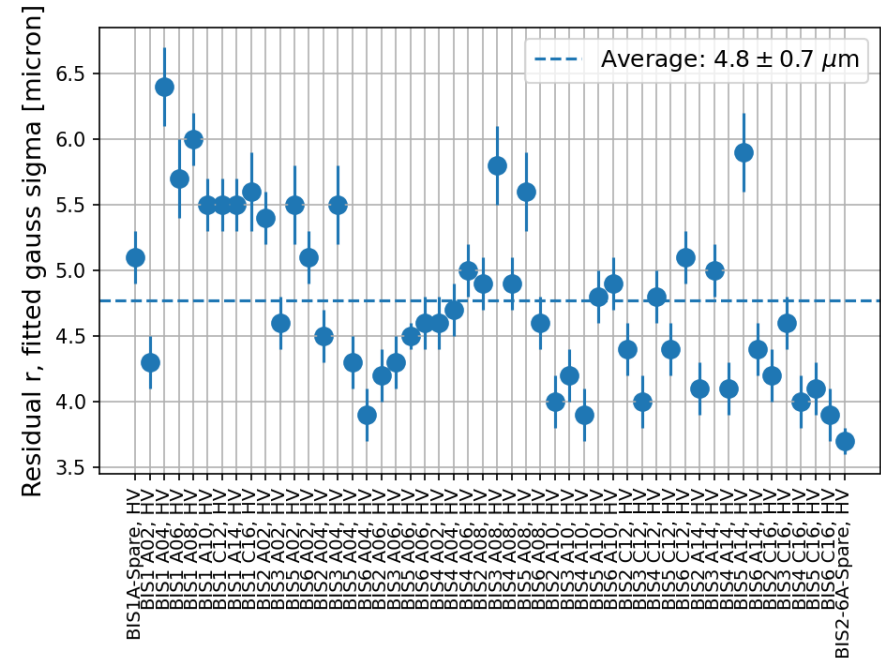
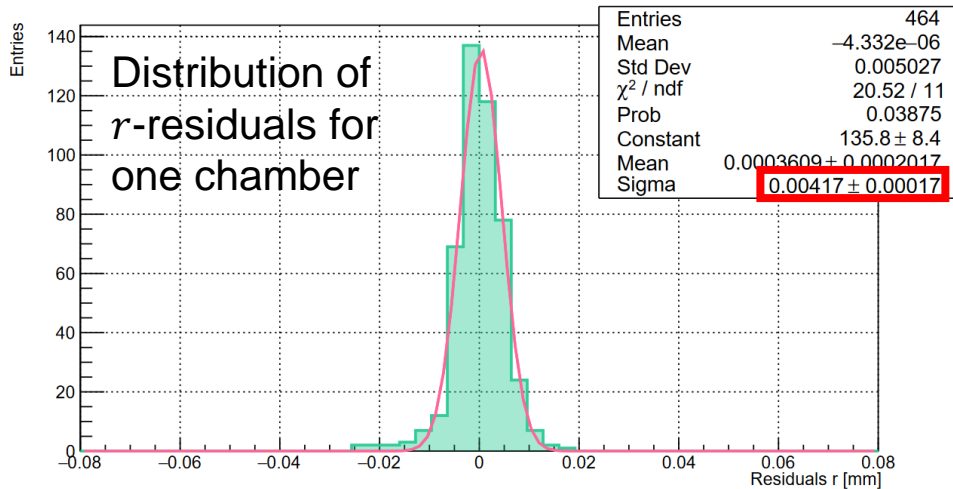
- Automated Coordinate Measurement Machine (CMM) used to measure position of each endplug
- Derive wire position accuracy w.r.t. fitted sense wire grid Δr ($r^2 = y^2 + z^2$)
- **20 μm precision required** to achieve desired momentum resolution
- Monitor further important quantities: layer distances, gravitational sag, **torsion**



Wire Position Measurements



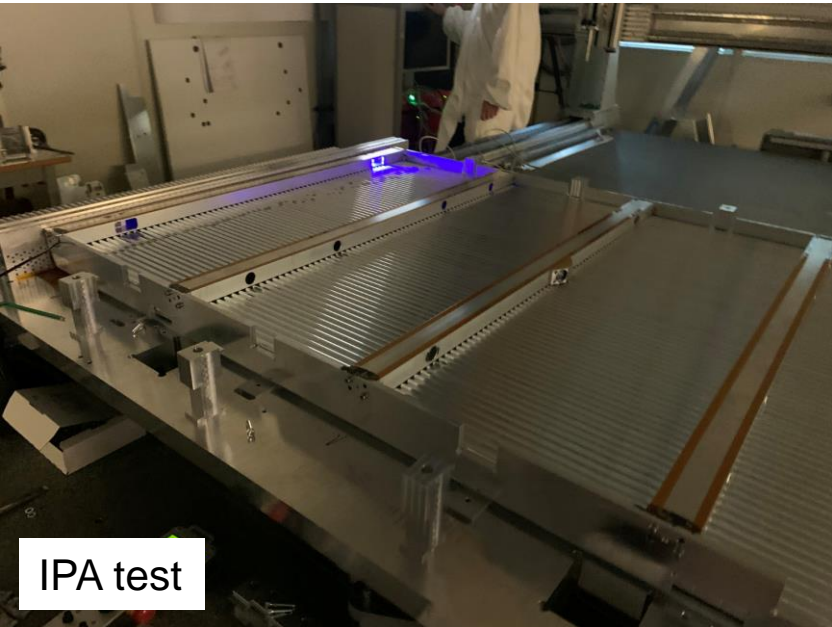
- Residual Δr (w.r.t. fitted wire grid) calculated for both sides (RO, HV) of each chamber
 - Wires positioned with around **5 μm precision** relative to the wire sense array
- Well below the required 20 μm !



In-Plane Alignment System and Torsion

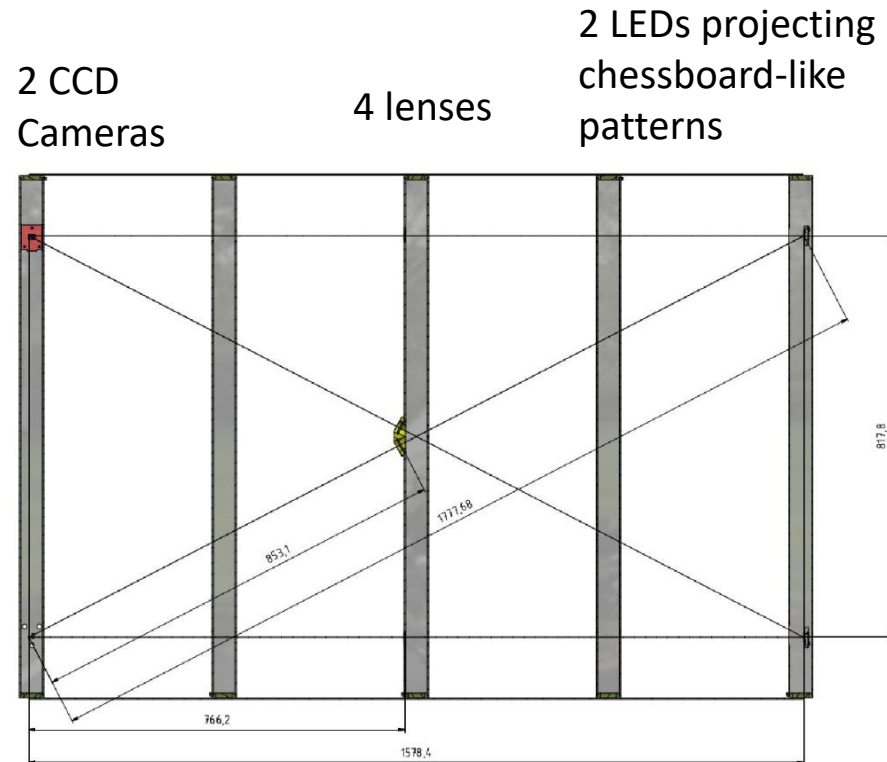


- In-Plane Alignment System (IPA) situated in the spacer between the multilayers
- Responsible for the monitoring of unstable **chamber torsion**
- Validate IPA configuration by comparing CMM and IPA torsion results



IPA test

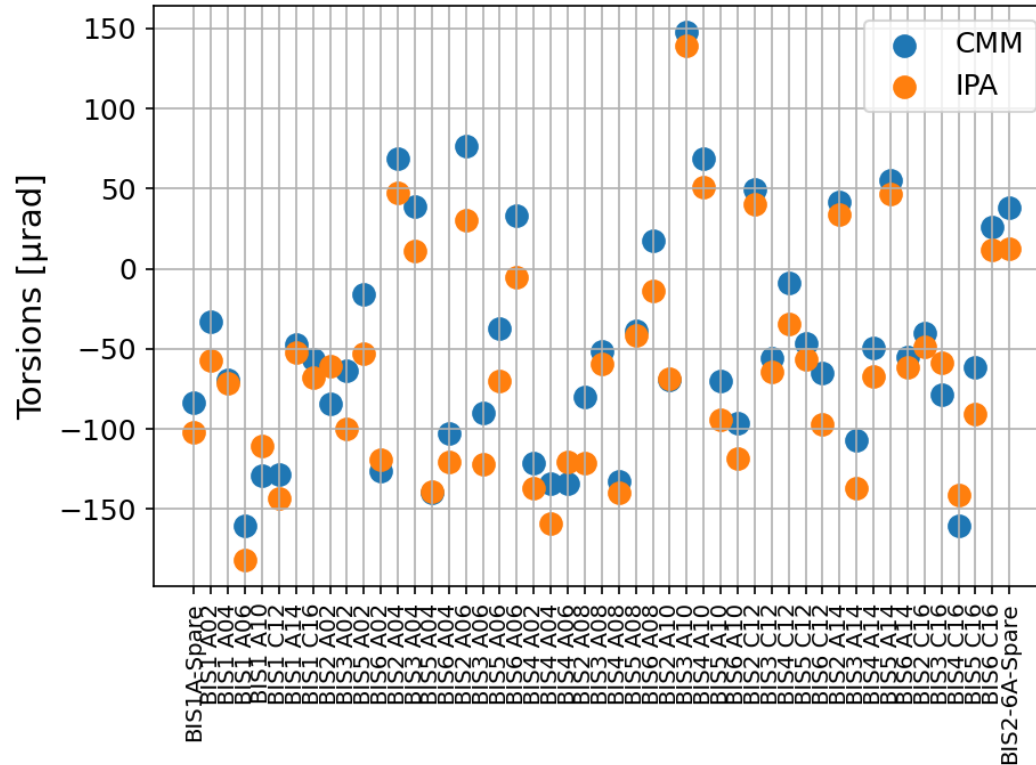
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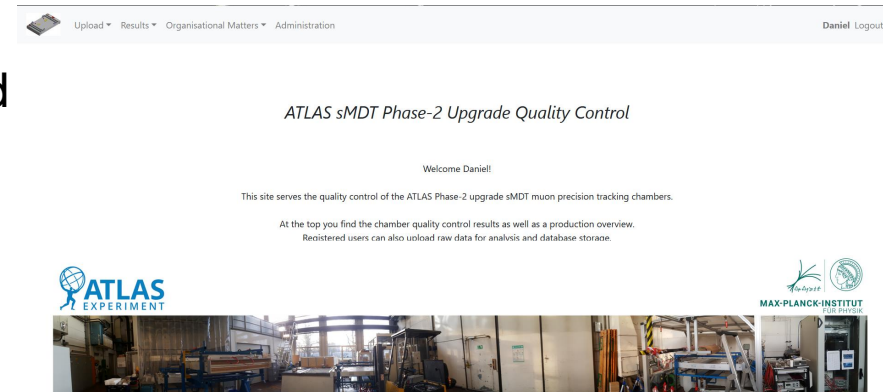
In-Plane Alignment



- CMM and IPA torsion angles typically **within $< 20 \mu\text{rad}$** of each other
→ Negligible compared to overall torsion variation, validates IPA precision



- **Common QC database** for the two production sites at MPI Munich and Michigan, hosted at CERN
- Web-frontend, **upload raw data** from QC measurements
- **Automated analysis** of e.g. platform position or CMM wire position measurements
- Mechanical and electronics performance posted on webpage in real time
- **Automatic email notification** of experts about new results
 - fast feedback for the chamber construction
- **Storage of data** about each individual drift tube and chamber production steps

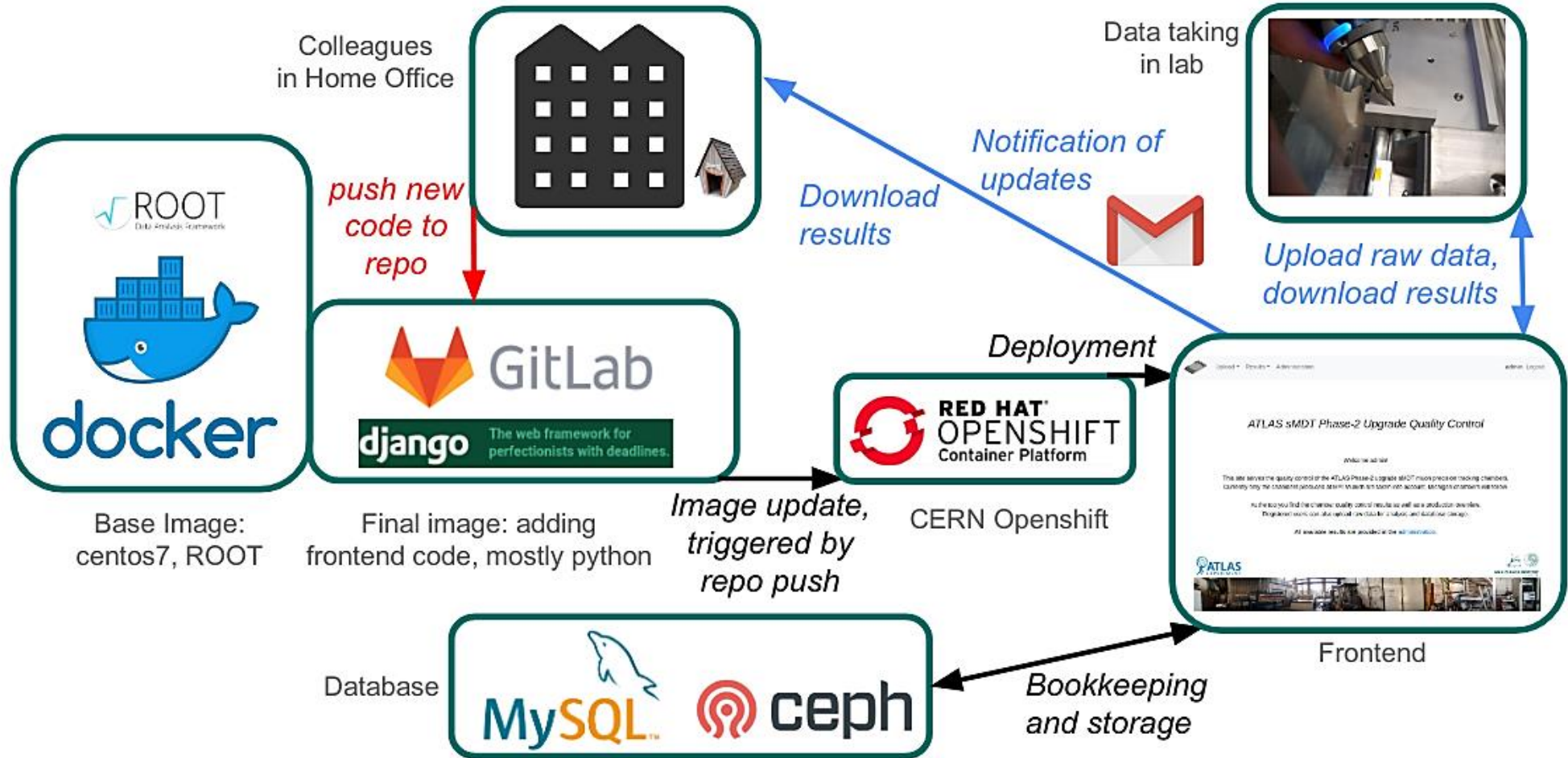


- Stringent and exhaustive QC program essential part of series production of new SMDT chambers for the ATLAS phase-2 upgrade
- Tube production finished with excess of tubes, multiple tests before certification for gluing
- Validation of chamber quality in every step of production
- Database with web-frontend to assure fast tracking of the quality measurements
- All 48+2 chambers constructed at MPI, 42+1 certified and 38 chambers shipped to CERN already
- QC continues at CERN!



BACKUP

How it works





ATLAS sMDT Phase-2 Upgrade Quality Control

Welcome Daniel!

This site serves the quality control of the ATLAS Phase-2 upgrade sMDT muon precision tracking chambers.

At the top you find the chamber quality control results as well as a production overview.
Registered users can also upload raw data for analysis and database storage.

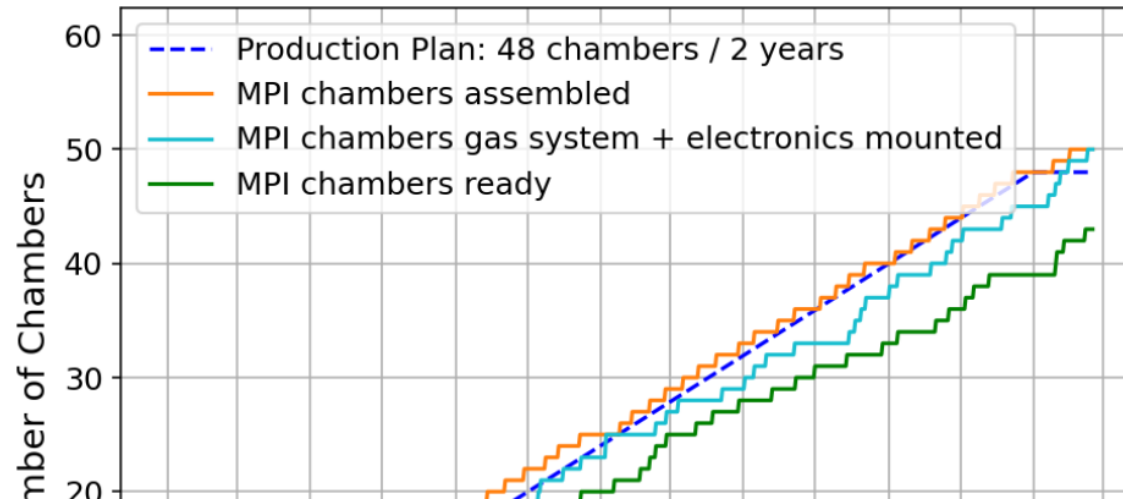


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MPI Overview

Chamber Production Progress





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Overview

Tubes

Rasnik Reference Data

Rasnik Data

Platform Positions

CMM Data

Gas Tightness

Electronics

MPI Module 25: BIS3 A08

Electronics	No
Gas Tightness	Yes
CMM Data	Yes
Platform Positions	Yes
Rasnik Reference Data	Yes
Rasnik Data	Yes

[Technical Drawing](#)

MPI Module 25: BIS3 A08

RO Axial-Praxial 1

Coordinate	Distance	Distance Stat. Error	Distance Nominal	Offset to Nominal
x	424.026	0.005	424.000	0.026
y	19.409	0.007	19.500	-0.091
z	90.482	0.005	90.450	0.032

HV Axial-Praxial 1

Coordinate	Distance	Distance Stat. Error	Distance Nominal	Offset to Nominal
x	1333.976	0.005	1334.000	-0.024
y	19.453	0.009	19.500	-0.047
z	90.488	0.009	90.450	0.038