

New possibilities of Straw Tubes for DUNE STT Detector

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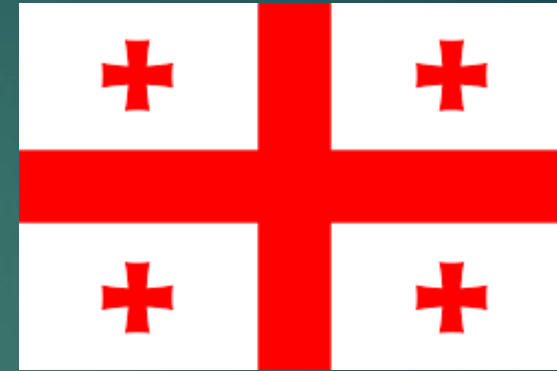


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- ❑ Examination the quality of seam at CERN
- ❑ Future plans



Georgian technical university



One of the oldest and biggest state universities in Georgia, hosting 15 Scientific-Research Institutes, taking part in world-wide scientific collaborations like CERN (CMS, ATLAS) and in KEK, J-PARC (COMET experiment)

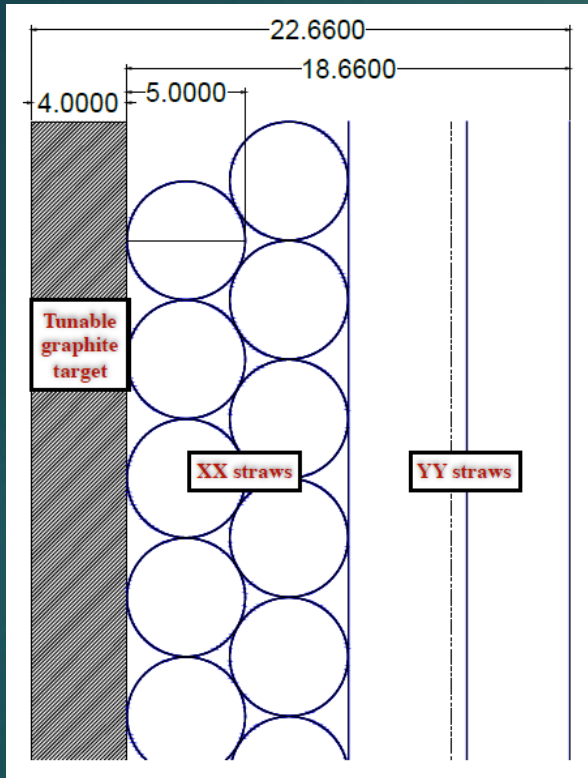
Working experience



- ❑ GTU group has 5 year working experience of straw R&D with international institutes like KEK, JINR, CERN
- ❑ Started with NA62 JINR-Group collaboration
- ❑ Main activity in R&D and production of new thin wall straw tubes for phase-1 and R&D of 5 mm diameter for Phase-2
- ❑ Testing and measuring properties of straws



DUNE near detector complex



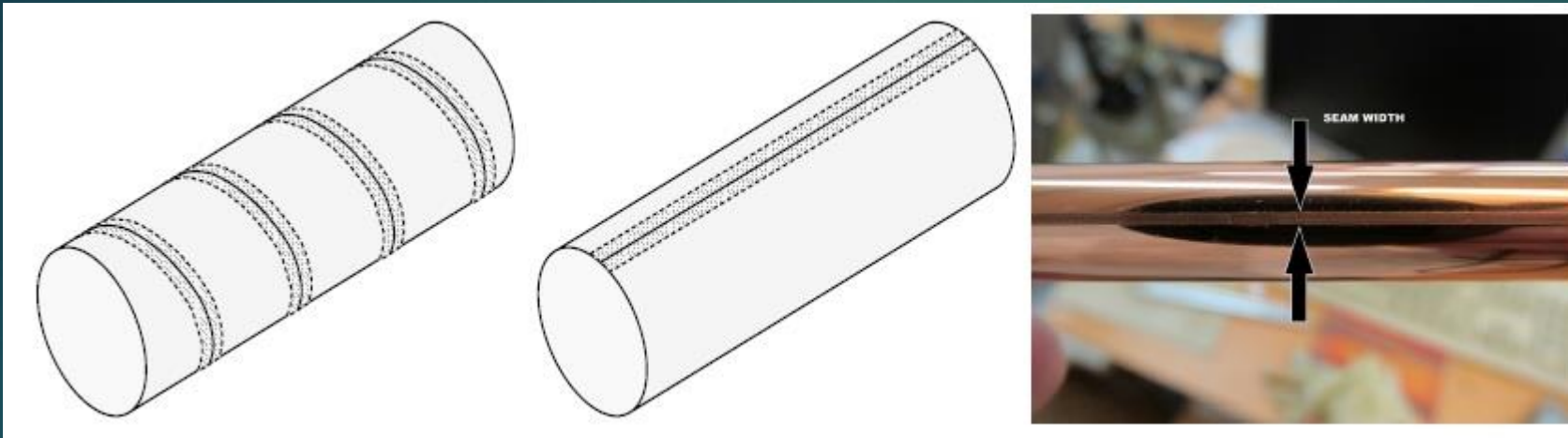
Drawing of one compact STT module equipped with graphite (pure C) target

- ❑ The key detector element is a central Straw Tube Tracker (STT)
- ❑ The main parameters of the proposed STT are:
 - ❑ magnetic field $B = 0.6 \text{ T}$
 - ❑ average density 0.17 g/cm^3 ,
 - ❑ straw tube traditional winding technologies or made single ultrasonic welding technologies
 - ❑ A conservative requirement on the single hit spatial resolution $< 200 \mu\text{m}$

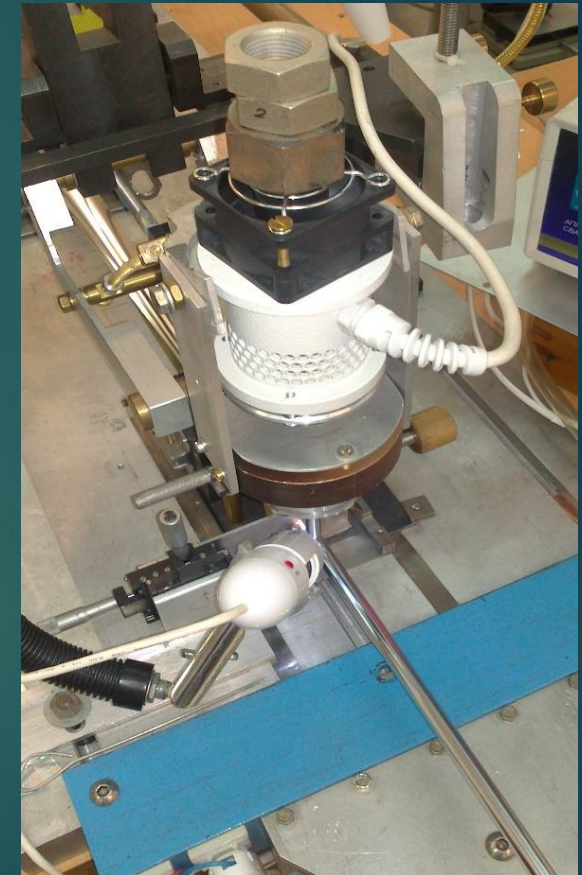


- ❑ COMET Straw tracker prototype
- ❑ X & Y coordinates measurements
- ❑ Contains 32 straw tubes channels
- ❑ Spatial resolution $< 150 \mu\text{m}$
- ❑ Momentum resolution $\sigma_p < 200 \text{ keV}/c$

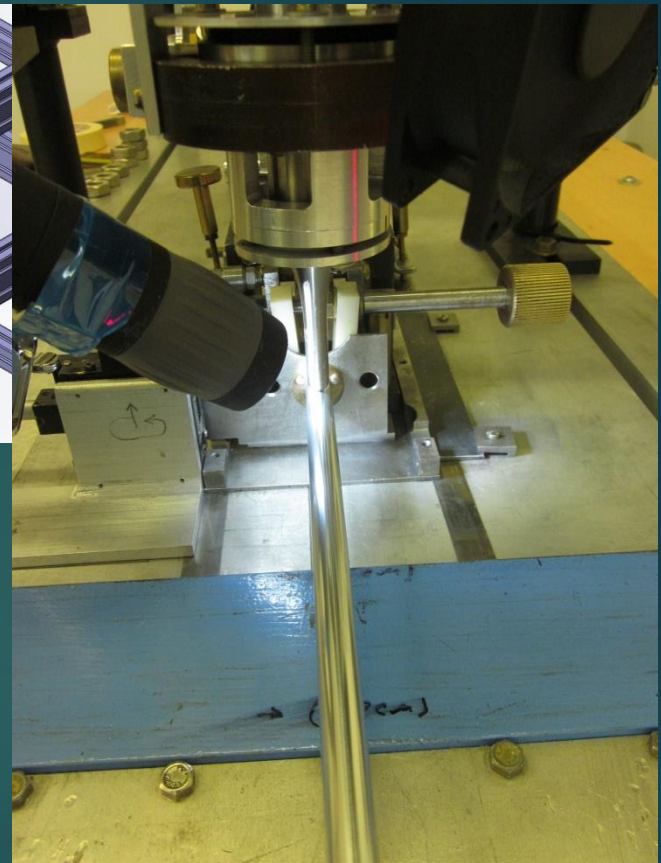
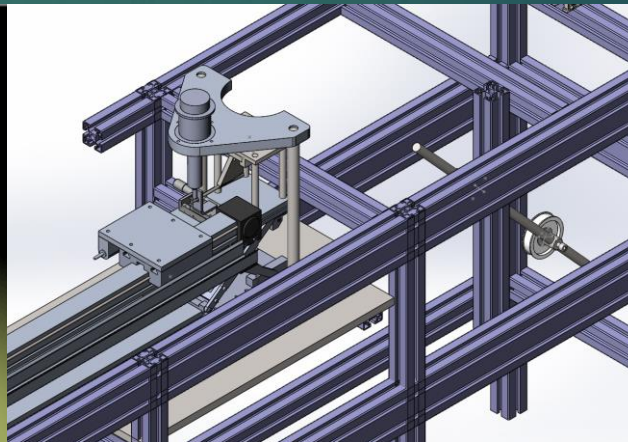
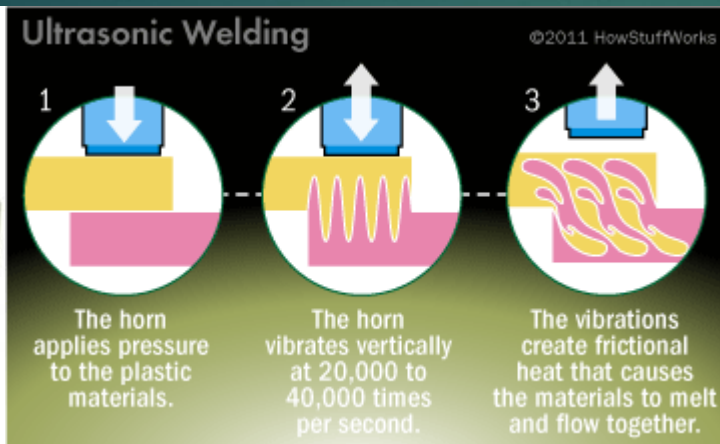
New straw tubes design



- ❑ Traditional two tape double winded glued straw tube
- ❑ Single-layer straw from a single tape, made by ultrasonic welding technology
- ❑ Advantage: low mass and ability to work in vacuum
- ❑ Ultrasonic welded straw tube evolution:
 - 36 μm thickness 9,8 mm diameter for NA62 experiment
 - 20 μm thickness 9.8 mm diameter for COMET Phase-1 experiment
 - 12 μm thickness 5 mm diameter for COMET Phase-2 experiment (challenge)

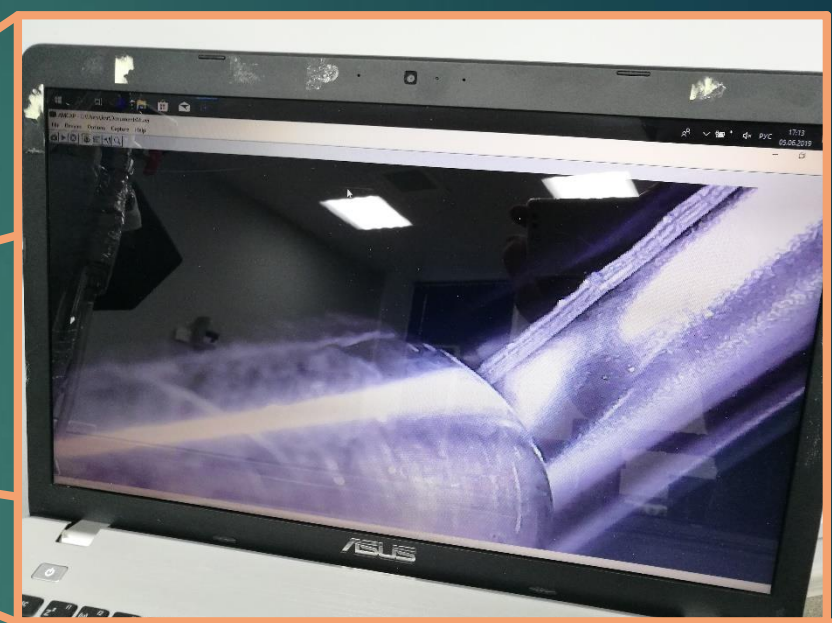
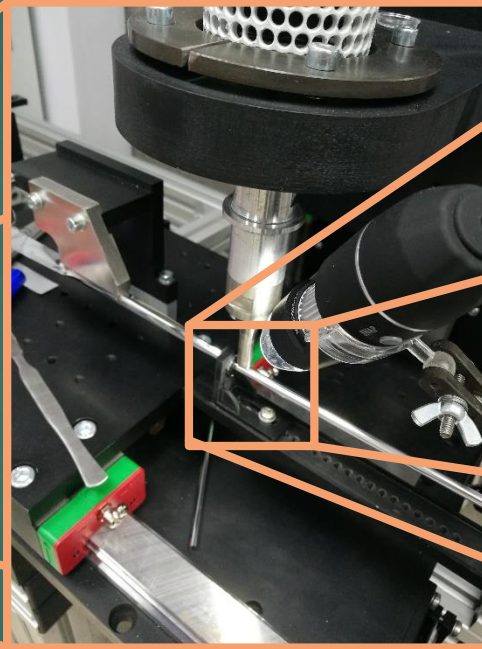


Development of ultrasonic technology



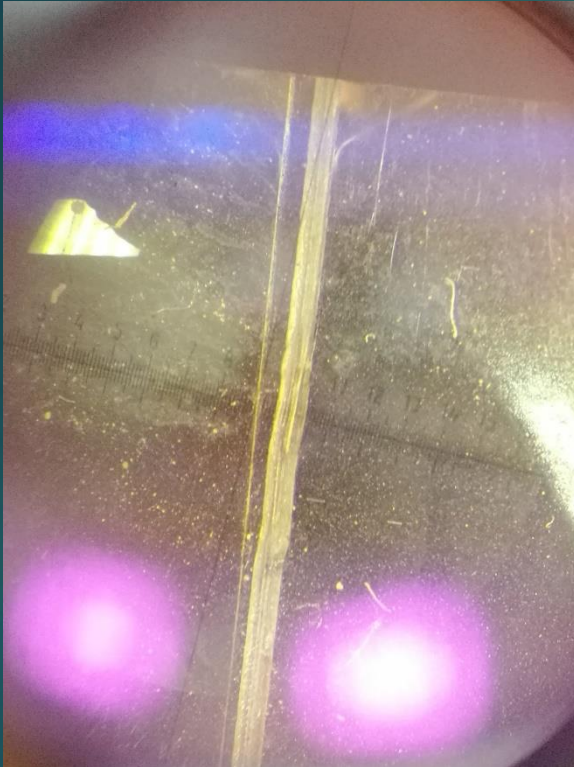
- ❑ 27 kHz Ultrasonic generator Giminey AYC-0,1/27-OMA with welding head
- ❑ Ultrasonic welding process, melting Mylar in local point and attaching edges of tape to each other forming cylindrical shape straw tube
- ❑ Principal welding machine design
- ❑ Welding machine in development process

For producing and R&D of 12 μm straw tube the new machine were design and build at JINR with the Georgian group participation



- ❑ Clean room 5-th class temperature and humidity controllable
- ❑ New welding machine design
- ❑ 12 μm thickness Mylar welding process in 5mm straw tube
- ❑ Quality control stands, tube pressurization observing gas leakage

R&D of new 12 mic straw tubes and quality test results

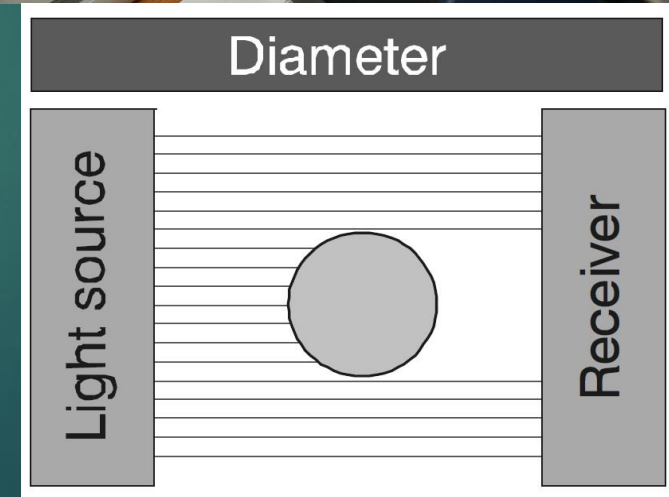
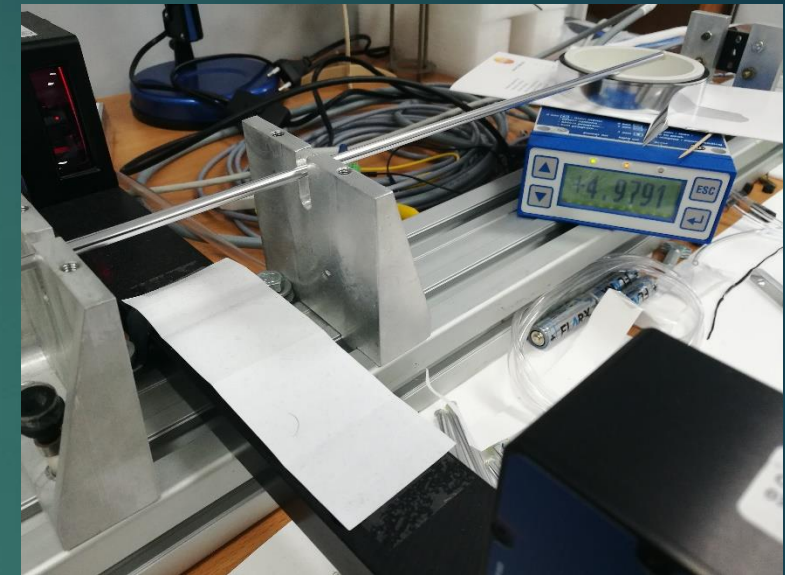


Seam inner and outer structure in optical microscope

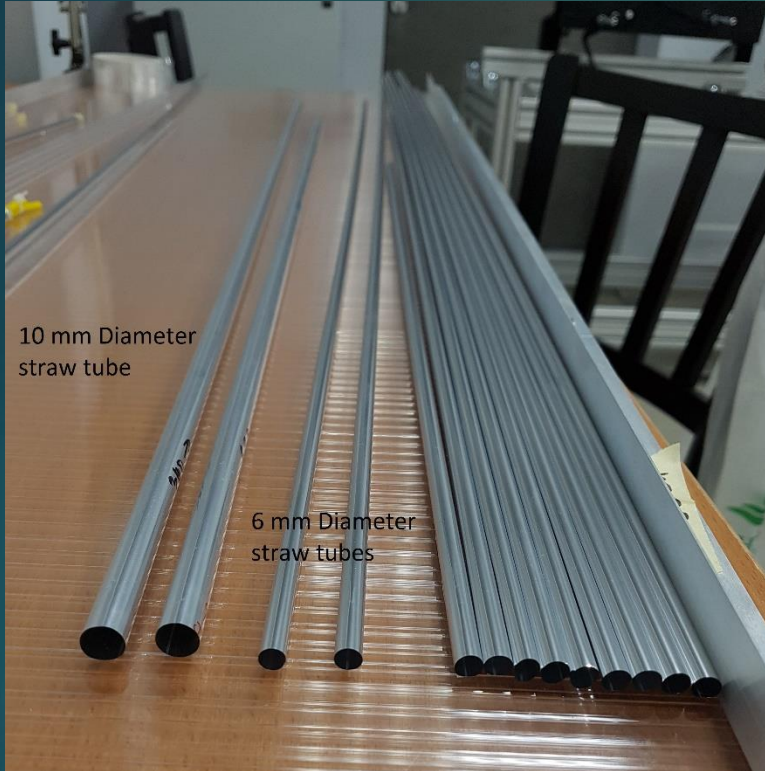


Quality check control

1 bar overpressure
straw tube diameter
measurement with 0.1
 μm accuracy



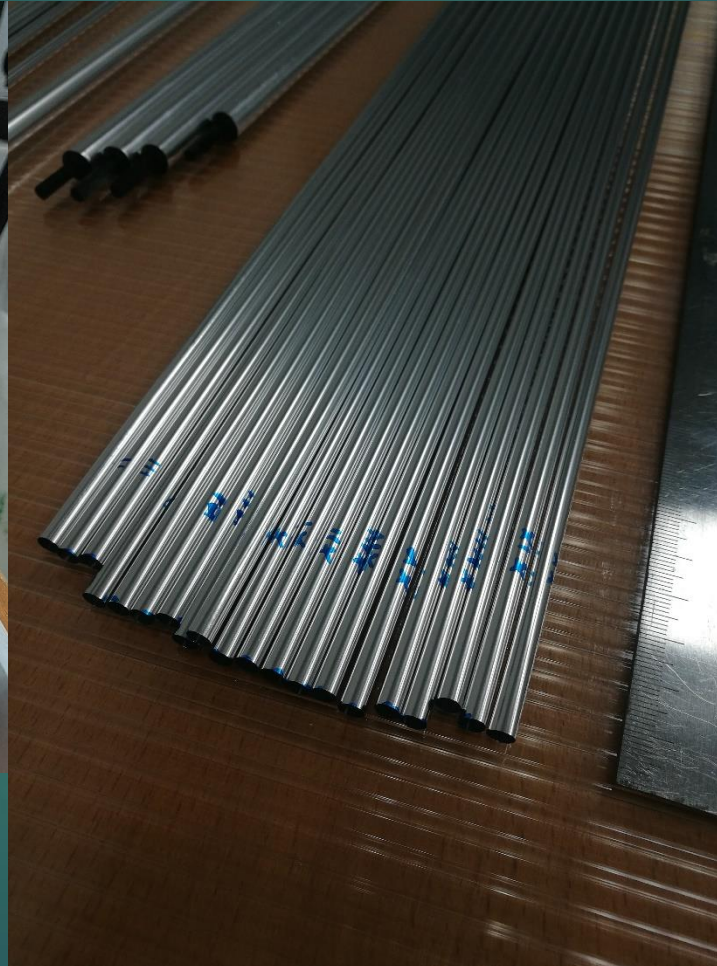
First in the world ultrathin 12 μm thick wall 5 mm diameter straw tubes



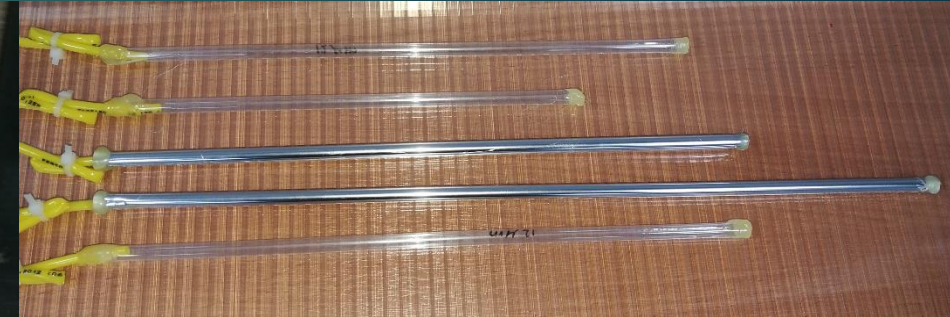
10 mm Diameter
straw tube

6 mm Diameter
straw tubes

12 μm thickness straw tubes
6-10 mm diameter
length 1200 mm



12 μm and 4.8 mm
diameter straw tubes



3 bar absolute presurization

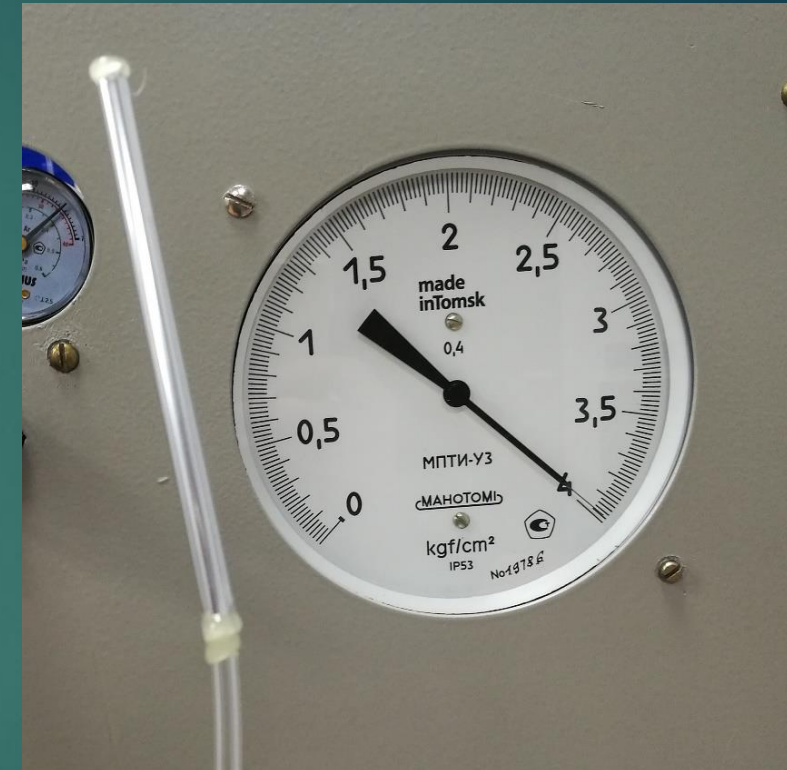


Samples prepared for
testing



R&D of new 12 μm straw tubes and quality test's results for Phase-1 and Phase-2

Straw tubes thickness	20 μm	12 μm
Diameter	9.8 \pm 0.04mm	4.8-6 mm
Length	1600 mm	50-1600 mm
Test pressure	2 bar absolute	2 bar absolute
Max. pressure	7 \pm 1.2 bar absolute	4+? bar absolute
Seam width	~500 μm	~ 350 μm ?
Production speed per/day	80 units	80 units
Requirement amount	2700	~?



Over pressurization test holding more then 4 bar

New tapes for 5mm straw tubes

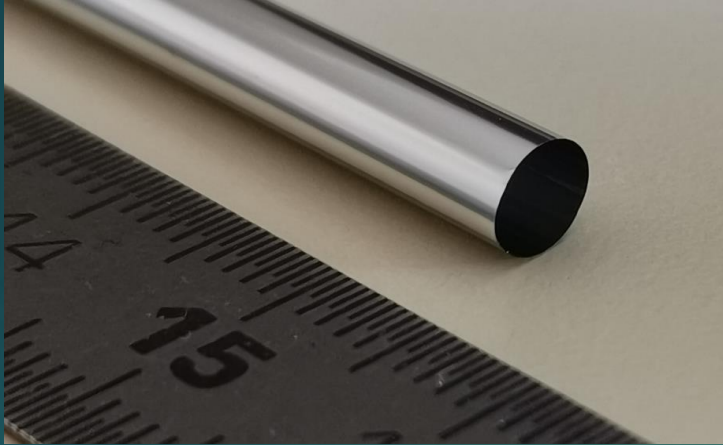


- ❑ RNK Hostaphan Mitsubishi production
- ❑ 12 μm thickness Al 70 nm metallization
- ❑ Roll size : 430 m length, width 0.6 m

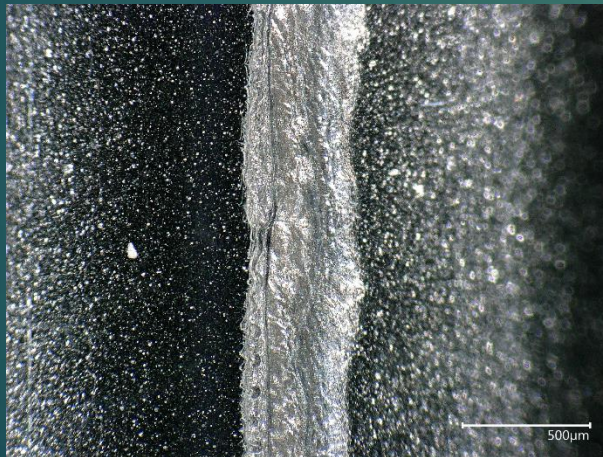


- ❑ Moscow production
- ❑ 12 μm thickness Al 70 nm metallization
- ❑ Currently looking for a company that can cut large RNK roll into strips for 5 mm straw pipes

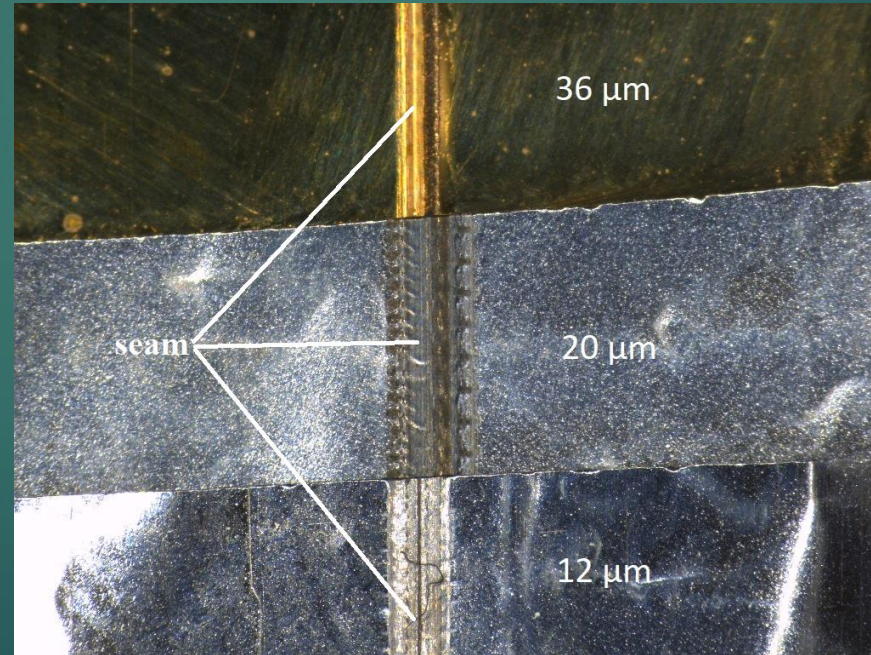
Precise examination of seam welding quality of both thickness straw tubes at CERN laboratory of material research



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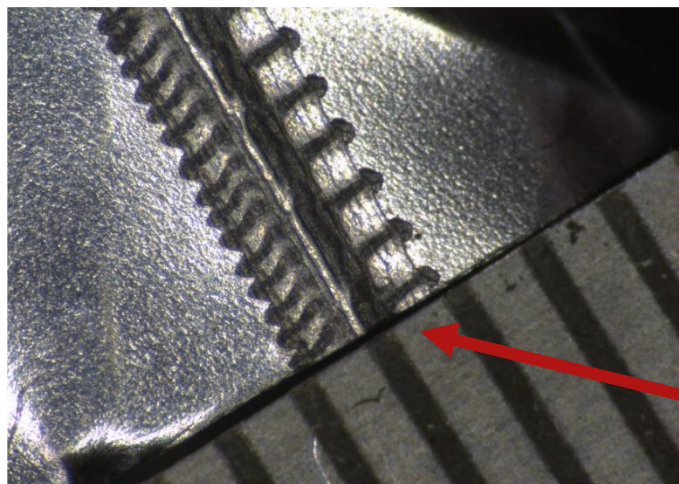
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- 1) 5 mm diameter 12 μm straw tube sample
- 2) Picture of seam
- 3) Comparison of Seam quality of NA62 COMET Phase-1 & 2 straw tubes used optical microscope
- 4) All samples were study by SEM-EDS methods

Tests and measurements

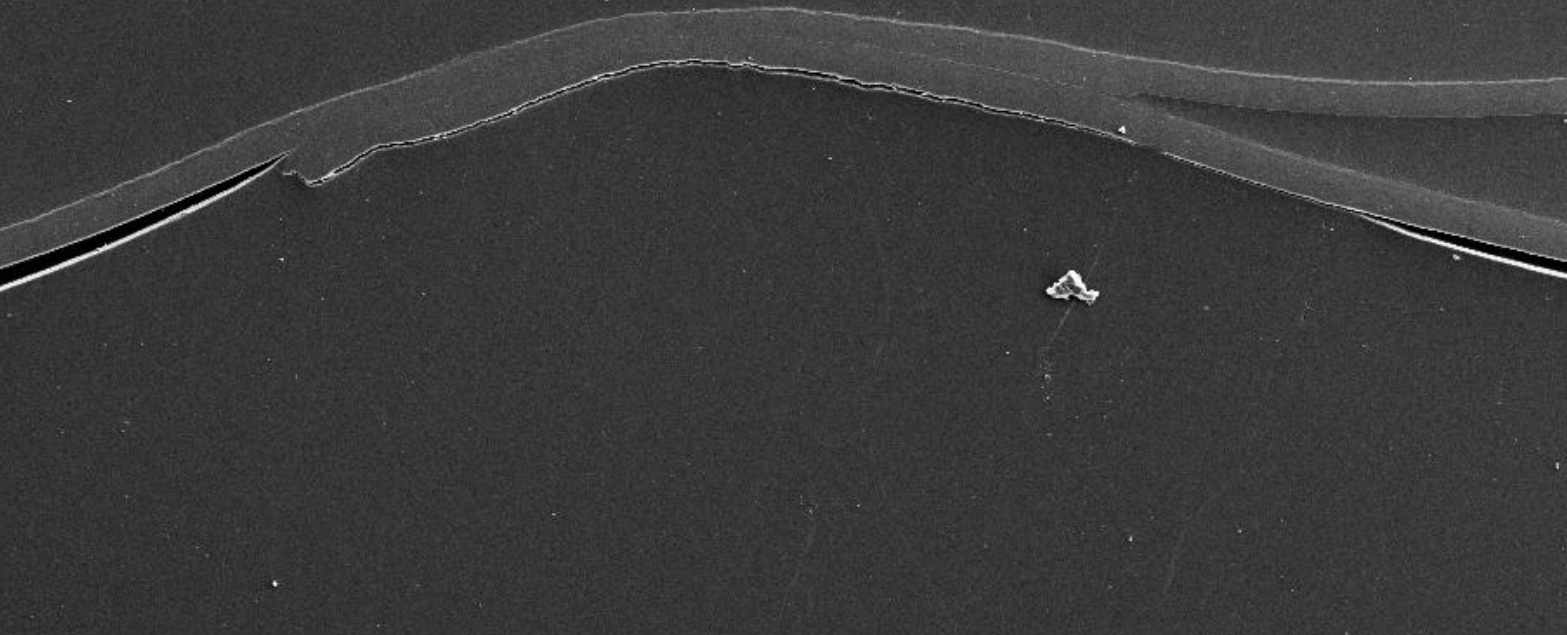


View of straw tube cross-section in digital microscope
seam area are zoomed

Straw cylinder shape and attached
with ultrasonic welding Mylar to each
other



20 μm straw seam cross-section



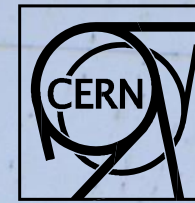
EHT = 10.00 kV
VWD = 11.9 mm
Signal A = SE2

Width = 1.148 mm
Height = 861.3 μm

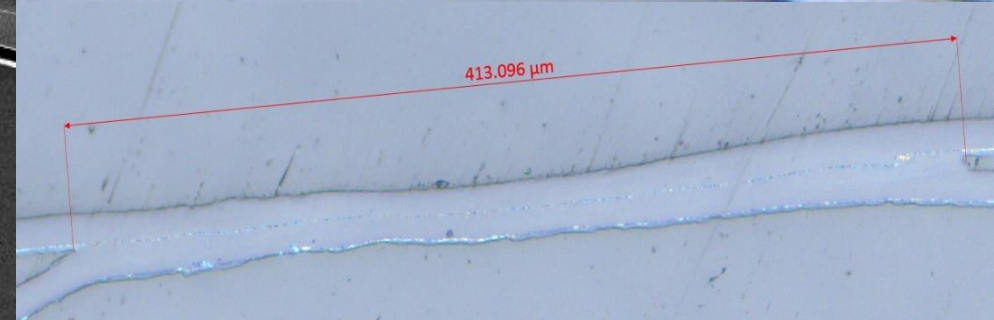
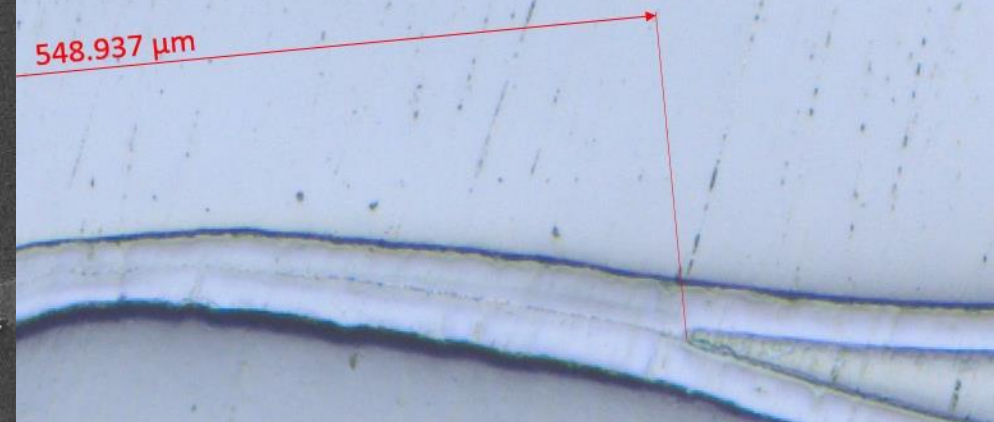
Mag = 100 X
I Probe = 419 pA
Aperture Size = 30.00 μm

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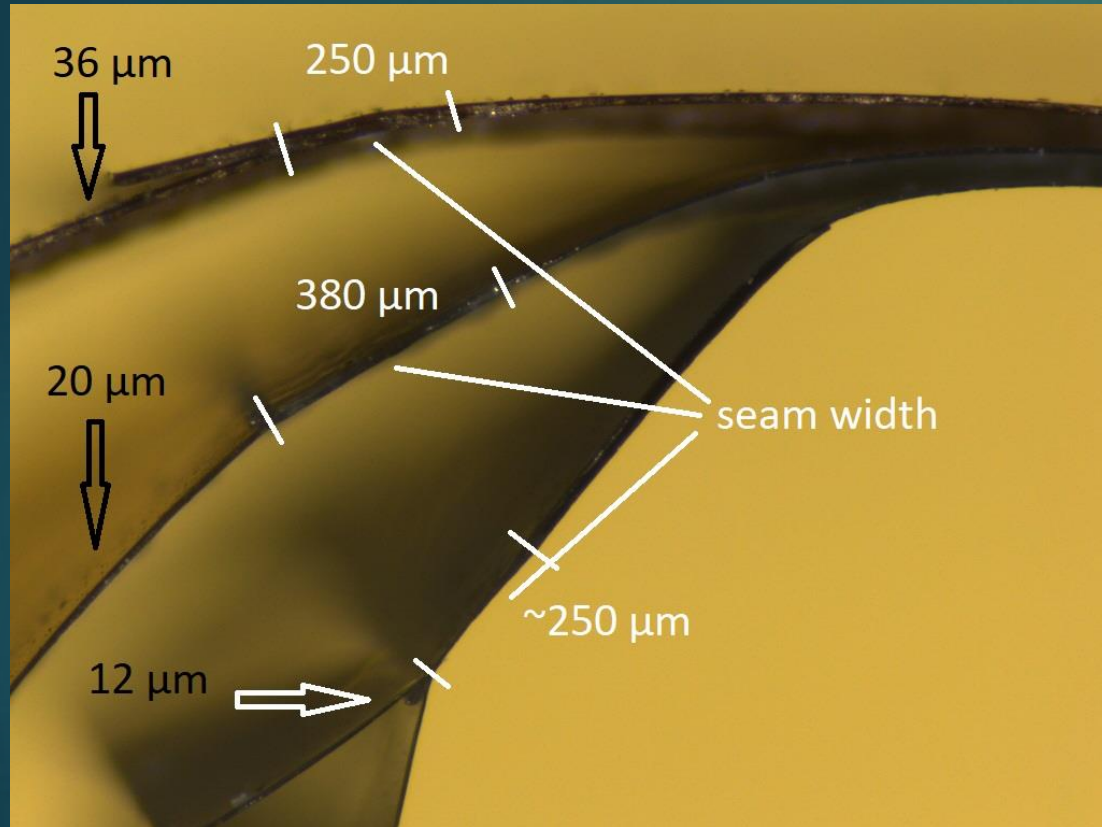
20 μm straw seam cross-section



12 μm straw seam cross-section

50 μm

R&D of new 12 mic straw tubes and quality test results



Straw wall thickness	Weld bead width	Weld bead thickness	PET film thickness
12 micrometres	375.8 ± 26.5	24.3 ± 3.4	12.8 ± 0.2
20 micrometres	532.9 ± 23.8	42.3 ± 7.1	23.2 ± 0.8

Conclusion and discussion of the CERN study

Both optical and electronic microscopic examination showed that welds are free from imperfection. The welding process seems homogeneous since no major deviation has been detected among the samples.



Future plans

- ☐ More R&D for new straw tubes (trying new tapes for improving parameters)
- ☐ Development quality control tests and methods
- ☐ Produce 5 mm diameter, ~4 m length straw tubes
- ☐ Prepare new facility for mass production



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