



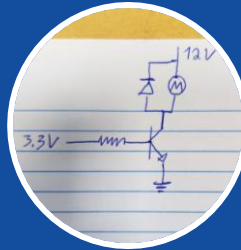
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E FÍSICA EXPERIMENTAL DE PARTÍCULAS
partículas e tecnologia

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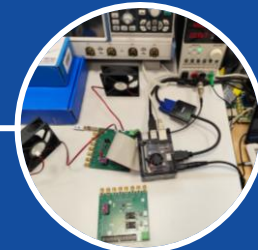
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1. PPS Cold Box

Environment Control Board



Proof of
Concept



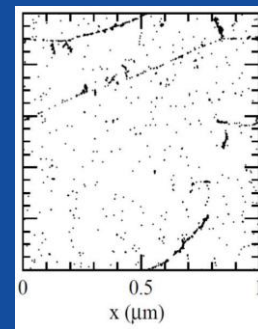
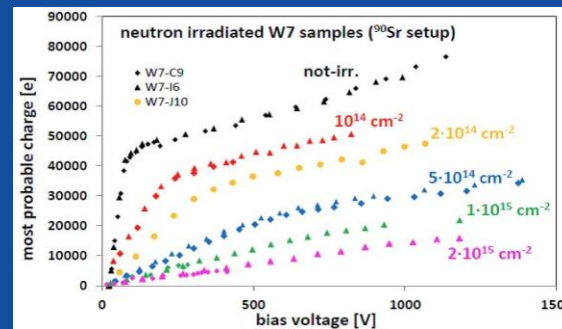
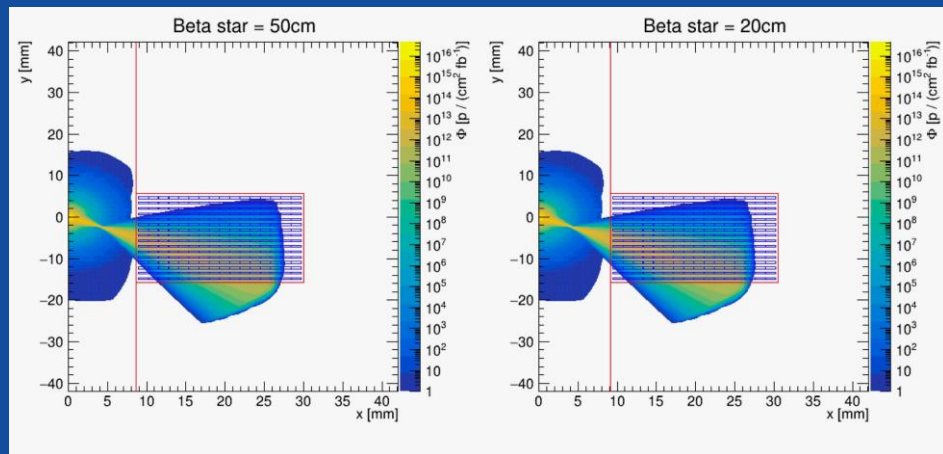
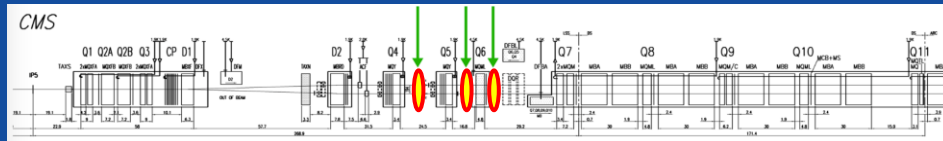
Prototyping



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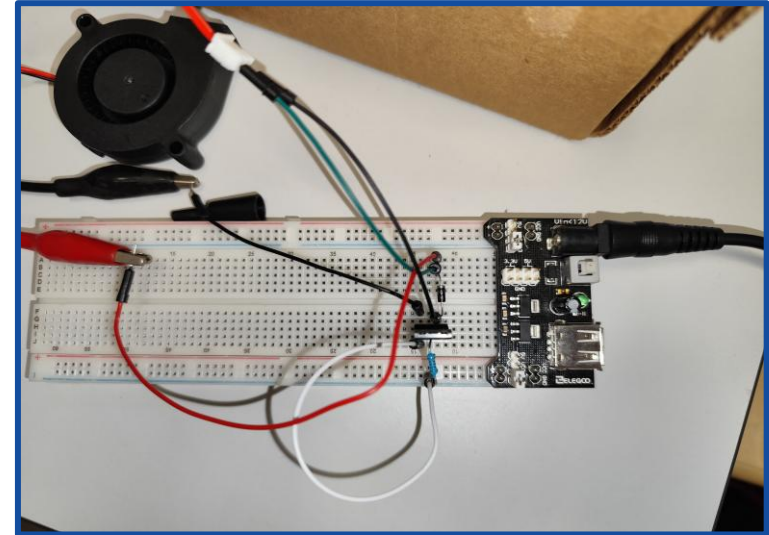
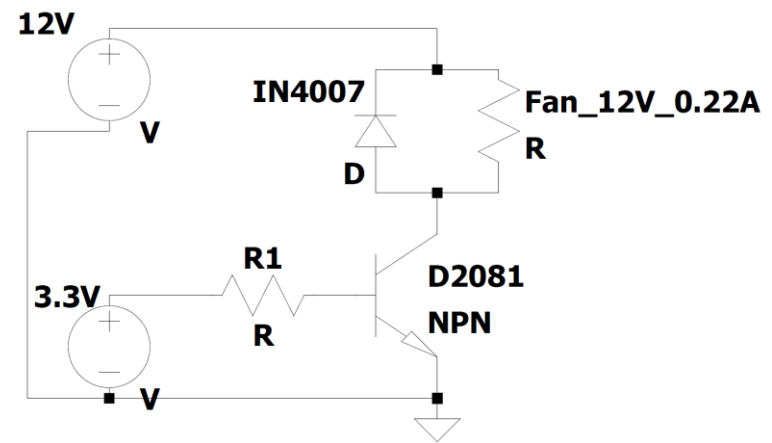
Intro: What is PPS and why do we need a cold box?

- Trackers and Precise Timing
 - High-Luminosity LHC
- Center Exclusive Production
 - Near-Beam Spectroscopy
 - Extreme Radiation intensity
- Non-uniformly irradiated detectors
 - Impacts of Radiation Damage need to be characterized



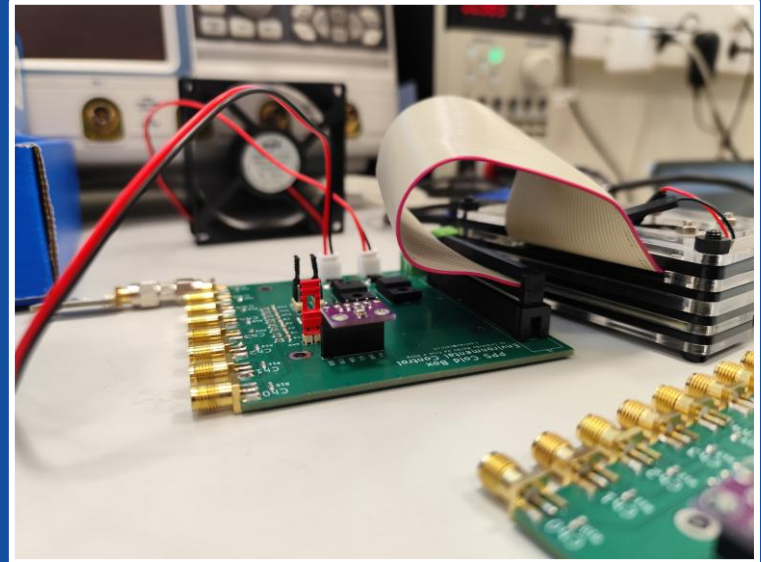
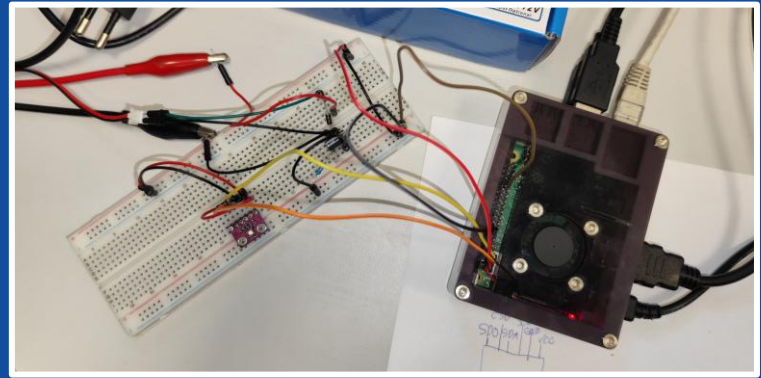
Proof of Concept

- Fan Control Circuit;
- Troubleshooting & Component Specifications;



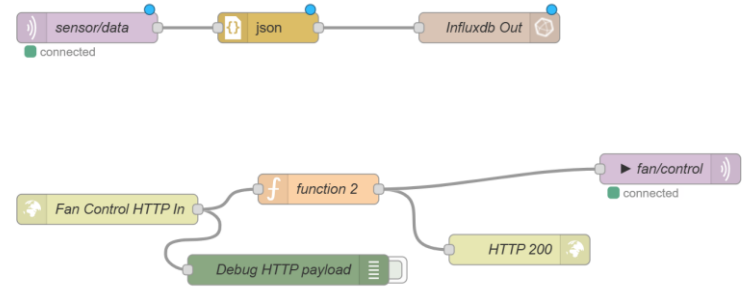
Prototyping

- PWM using Raspberry Pi
- BME280 Sensor
 - Temperature
 - Pressure
 - Humidity
- ADC & PT1000
 - Temperature



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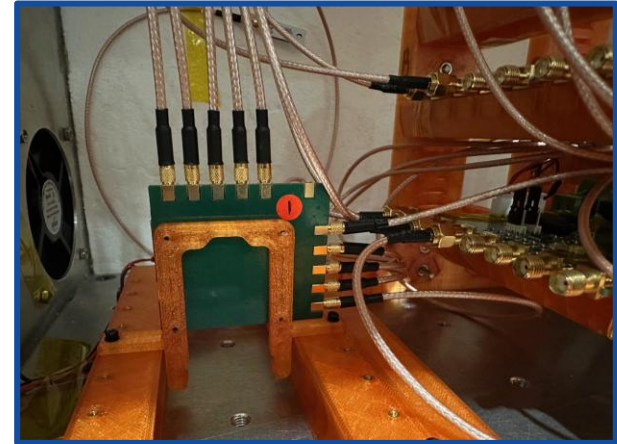
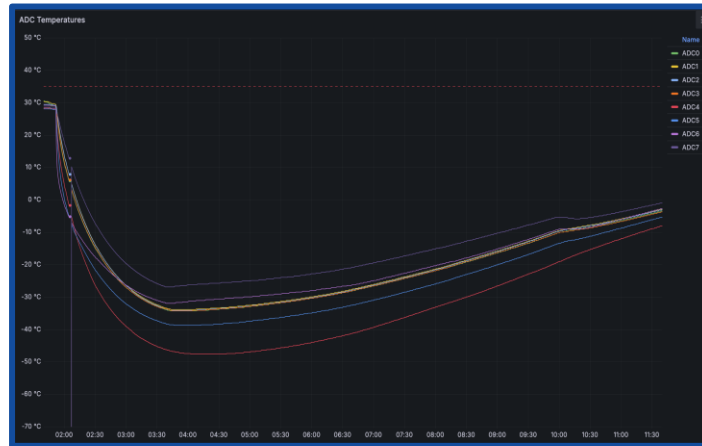
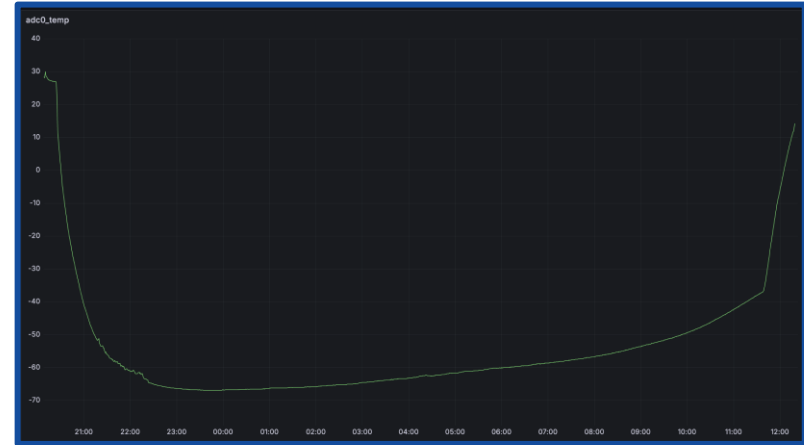
- MQTT-based server
- InfluxDB Database
- Visualization & Fan Control via Grafana



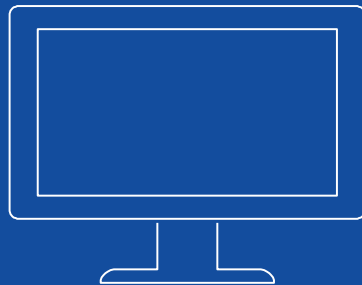
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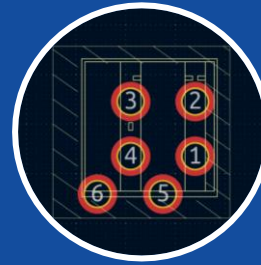
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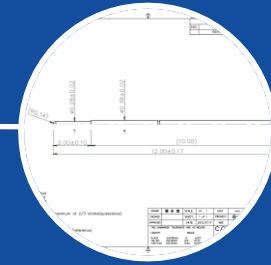
All code and setup instructions are available at:
<https://github.com/JoseVM-2005/LIP>

2. LGAD Characterization

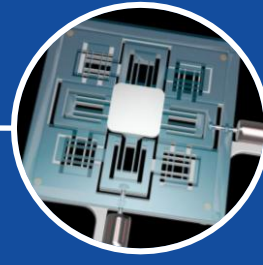
Circuit and Probing Apparatus



PCB



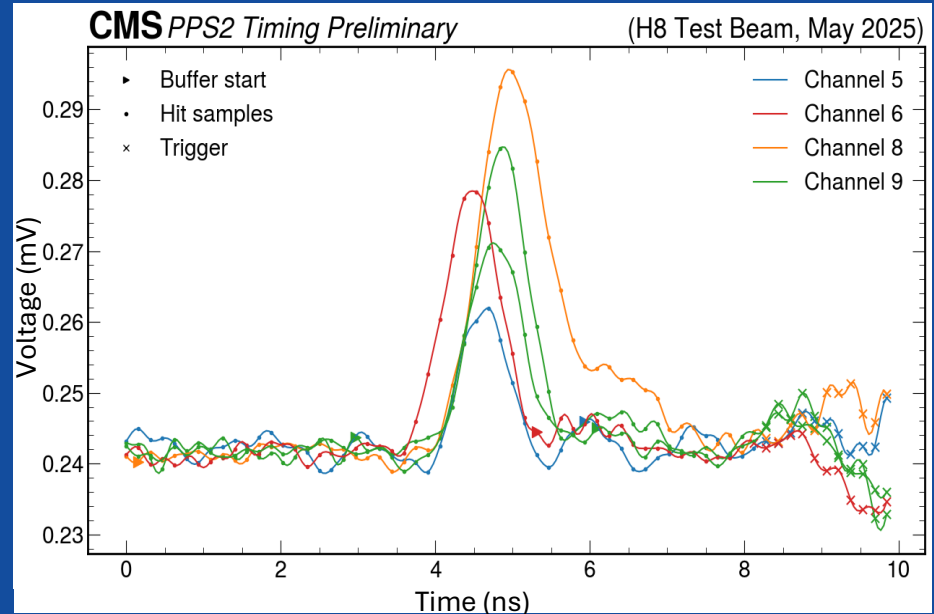
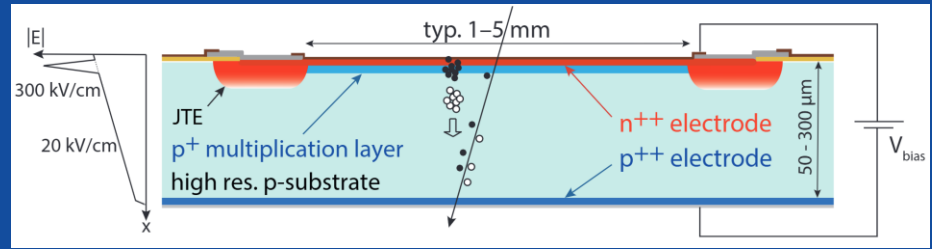
Probes



Positioning

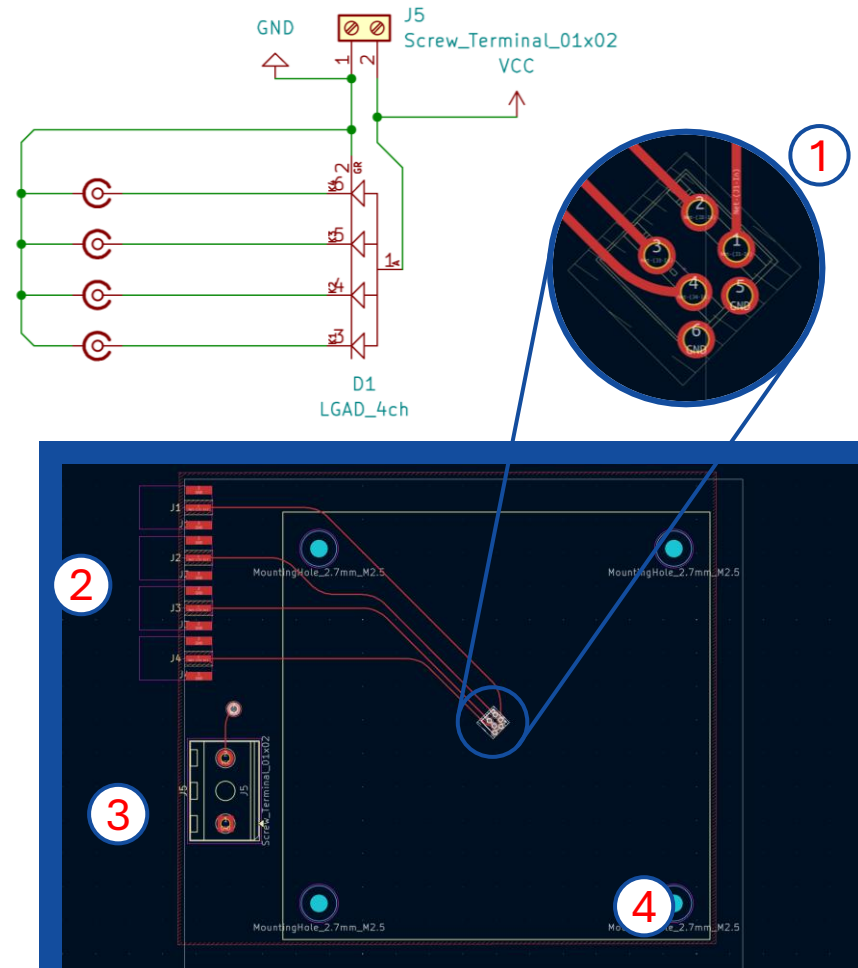
Intro: What is an LGAD and why do we need to characterize them?

- Low Gain Avalanche Detector
 - Internally Amplified
 - High Signal-to-Noise Ratio
- High Slew Rate
 - Precision of $\sim 50\text{ps}$ for PPS
 - Variations to be studied
- Customized Production
 - Tailor-made for PPS
 - Different versions to be studied



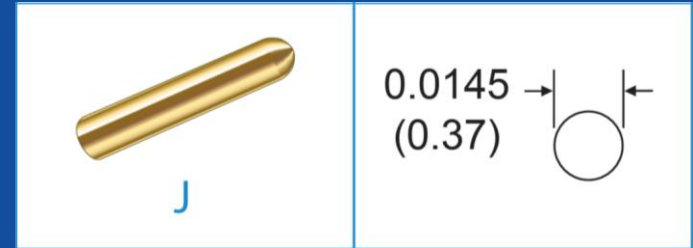
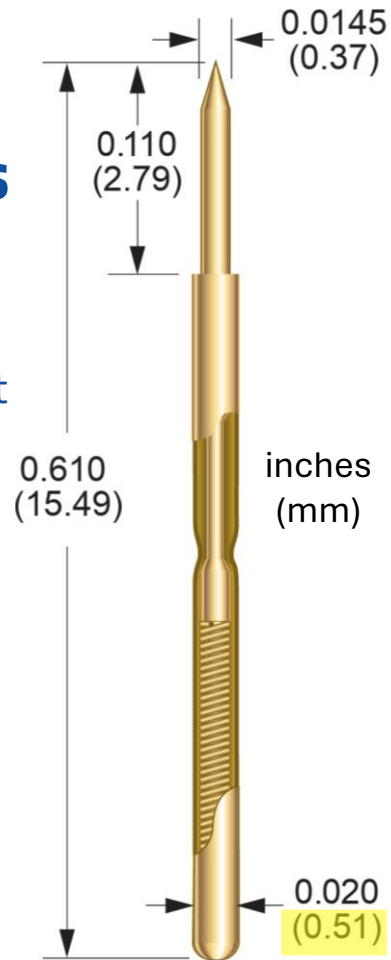
PCB Design

- Designed for a 2x2 LGAD Sensor [1]
- Edge connector [2]
(represented by 4 co-axial terminals)
- High voltage input terminal [3]
- 4 mounting holes for the XY translation stage [4]



Spring Probes

- Ensures reliable contact between the probe and the LGAD
- Rounded tip for increased contact area
- Slim profile for greater versatility



Probe Specifications

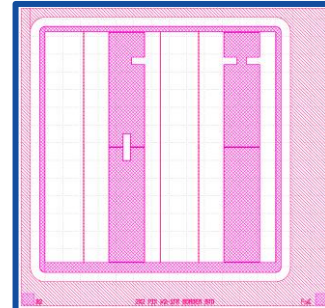
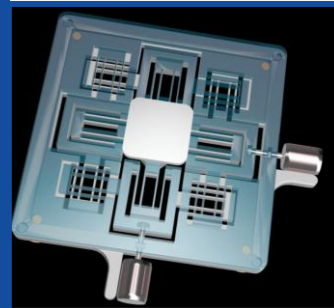
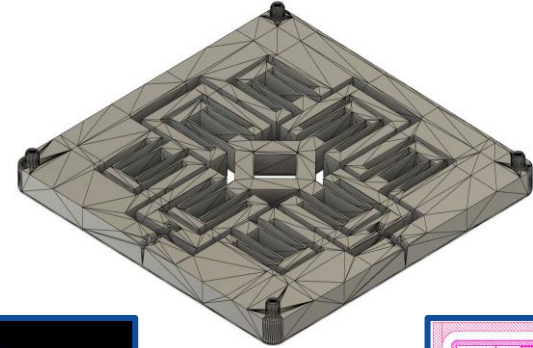
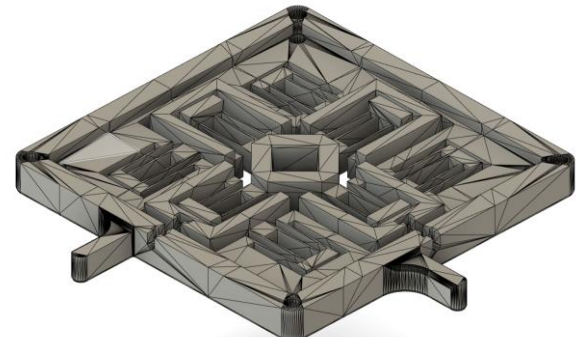
Minimum Centers	0.039 (1.00)
Current Rating	Up to 3 Amps
Spring Force	1.30 oz (37 g) or 1.60 oz (45 g) @ 0.067 (1.70) travel
Preload Force	0.50 oz (14 g)
Typical Resistance	< 40 mΩ
Maximum Travel	0.100 (2.54)
Working Travel	0.067 (1.70)

Materials

Barrel	Nickel/silver, preplated gold
Spring	Stainless steel or music wire, gold plated
Plunger	Beryllium copper, gold plated over nickel, or Duralloy™

Fine-tuning the LGAD's Position*

- 3D printed compliant XY translation stage mechanism
- Pitch of a couple millimeters (to be tested)
- Slim profile (1cm)



*See references

Next Steps

PCB Design

- Meet Impedance requirements;
- Component Selection.



Spring Probes

- Acquisition and testing.



Translation Stage

- Finish the design;
- Print and Test;
- Iterate!



Characterization Circuit

- Design an Op-Amp-based circuit to measure the expected nano-amps current;



GOAL

Versatile equipment to obtain the IV and CV curves of the 2X2 LGAD's currently in production



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Thanks!

Any questions?

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Backup Slides: Characterization

