

iTPC Combs

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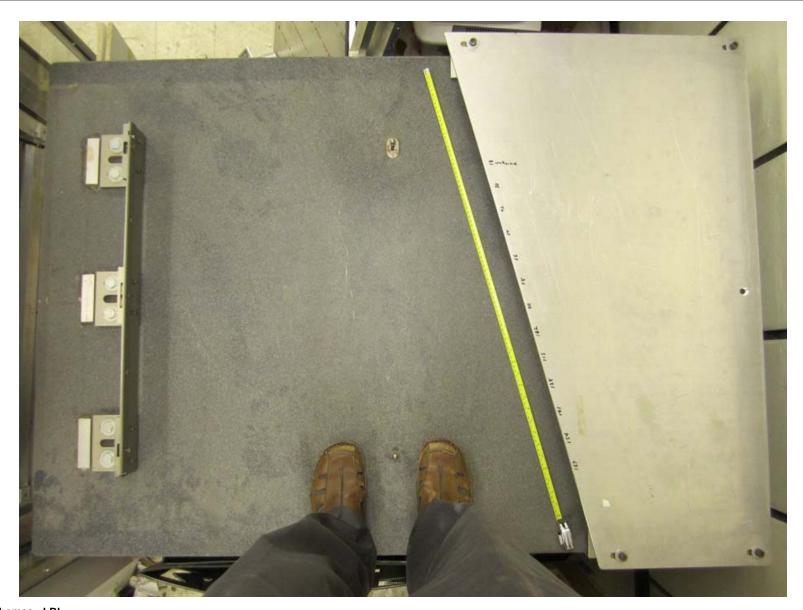
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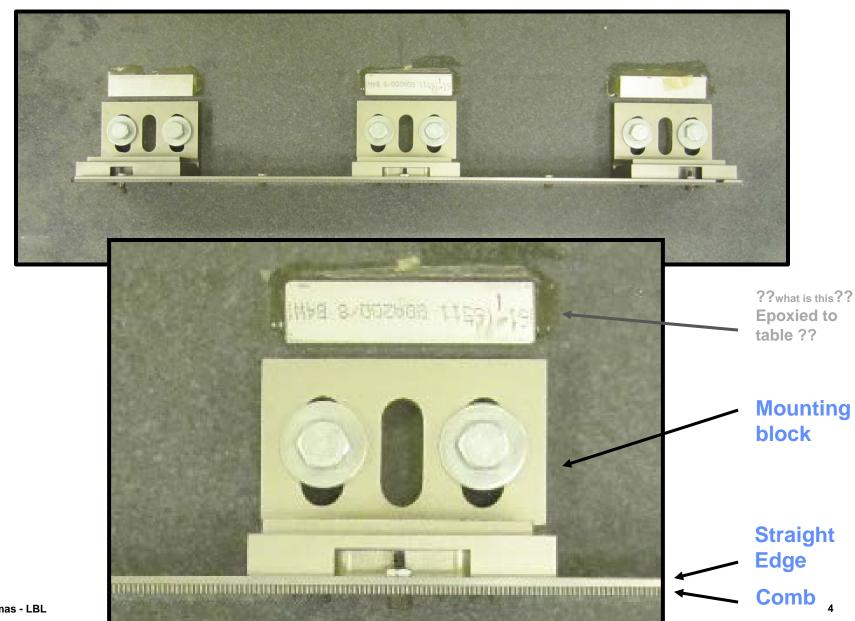
"Comb" exposed – table has 2 combs





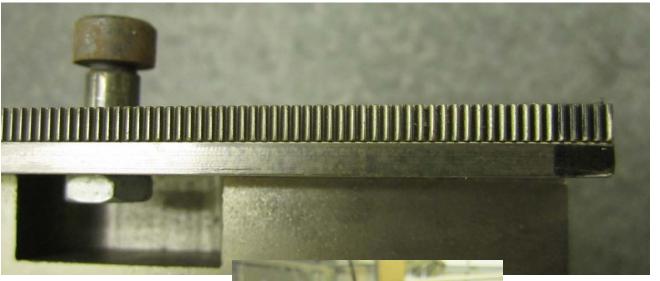
Detail: Comb, straight edge and mount





Teeth on the comb



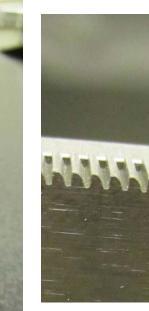


Teeth on the comb have an asymmetrical shape – does this shape have a name?

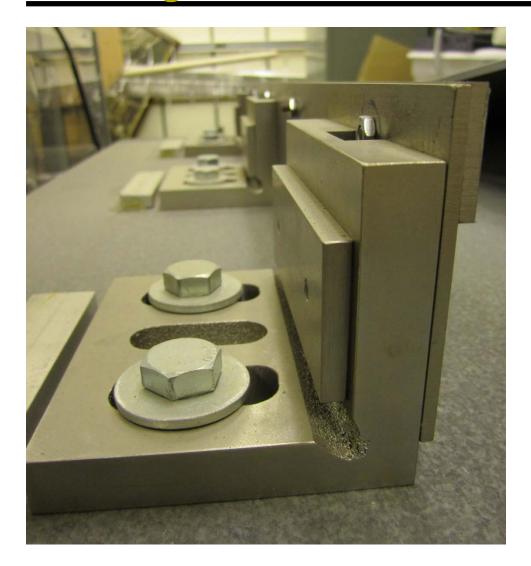
Comb plate and top of straight edge plate shown, below. Wires rest on the top surface of the straight edge

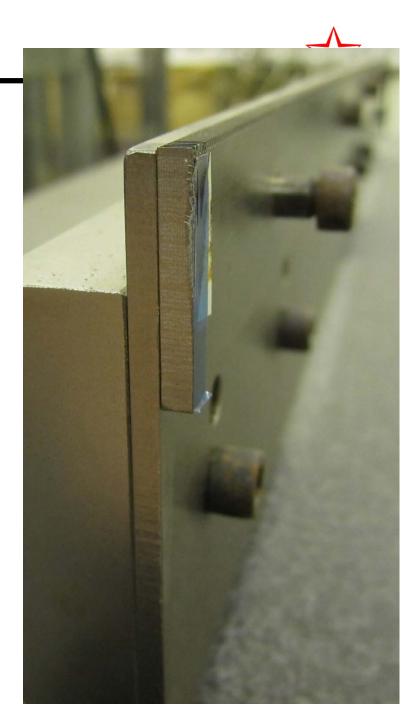
"Bottom" of comb is below the level of the straight edge

Wires are laid on surface of straight edge then "slid" to contact vertical sides of comb



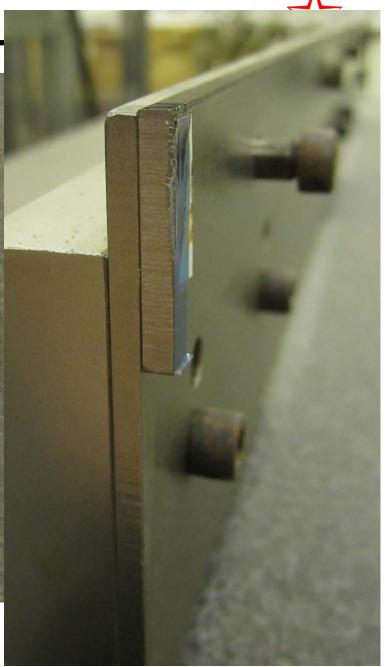
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Platform Guards





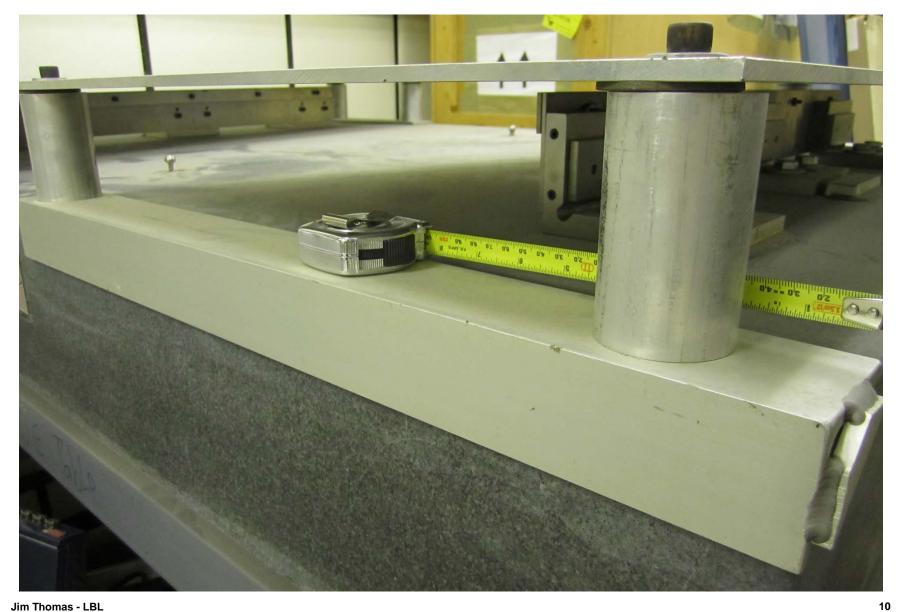
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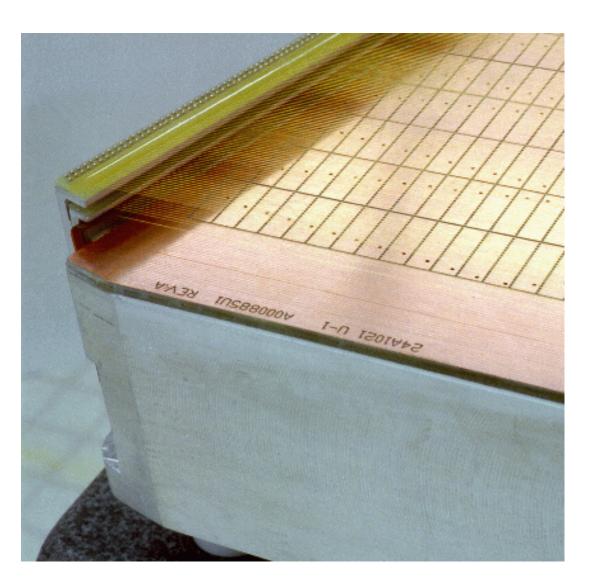




Backup Slides

New Pad Plane - new strongbacks (outer shown)





- **Avoid "missing rows"**
- Hermetic coverage $\eta > 1$
- **Increased segmentation**
- Better dE/dx & tracking for tracks that leave thru the endcaps
- **Optimized installation** schedule: no down time
- One goal of this proposal is to relearn the lost arts
- Recover 2D drawings and recast in 3D - cheaper and more efficient fab

Our concern is about the inner sectors



- The inner sectors are affected the most due to 1/r² distribution of charge in the TPC
- We expect a gain shift on anode wires due to charge, gain & dirt
 - Figure of merit is 1 mC / cm
- Malter effect on the cathode wires due to build up of insulating oxide layers ... leads to breakdown

