

# CMOS pixel sensors developments in Strasbourg

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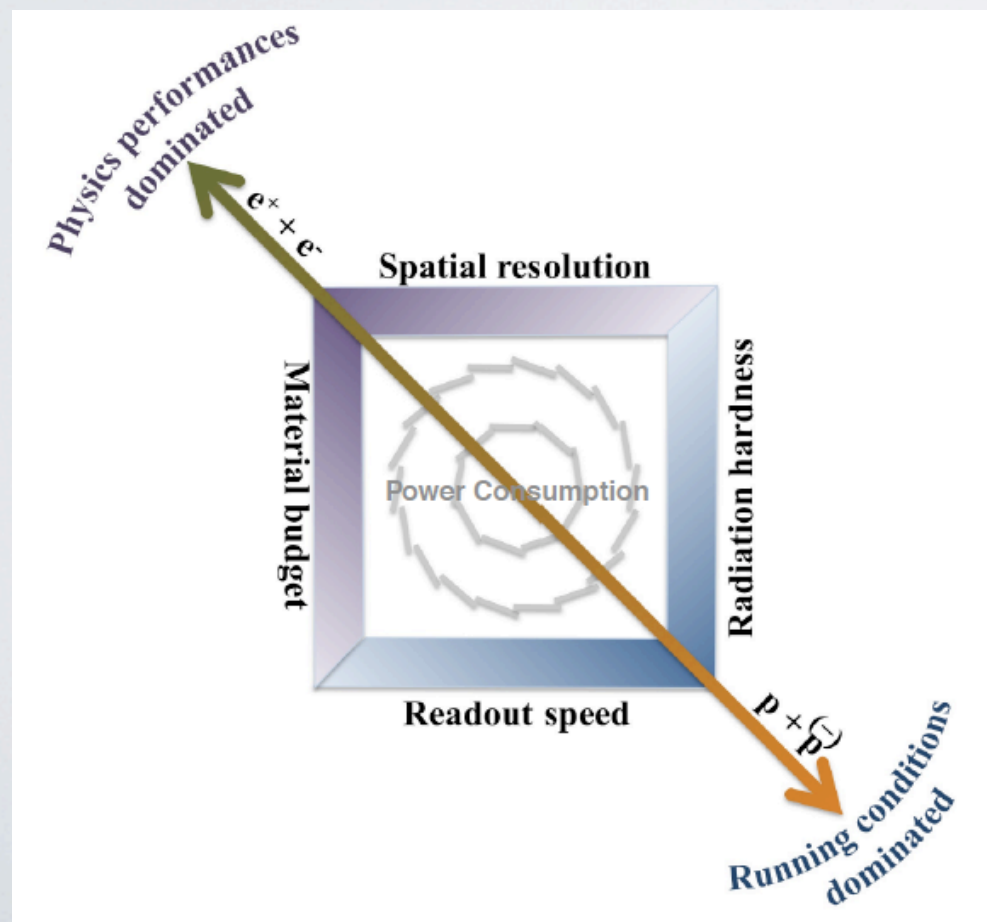
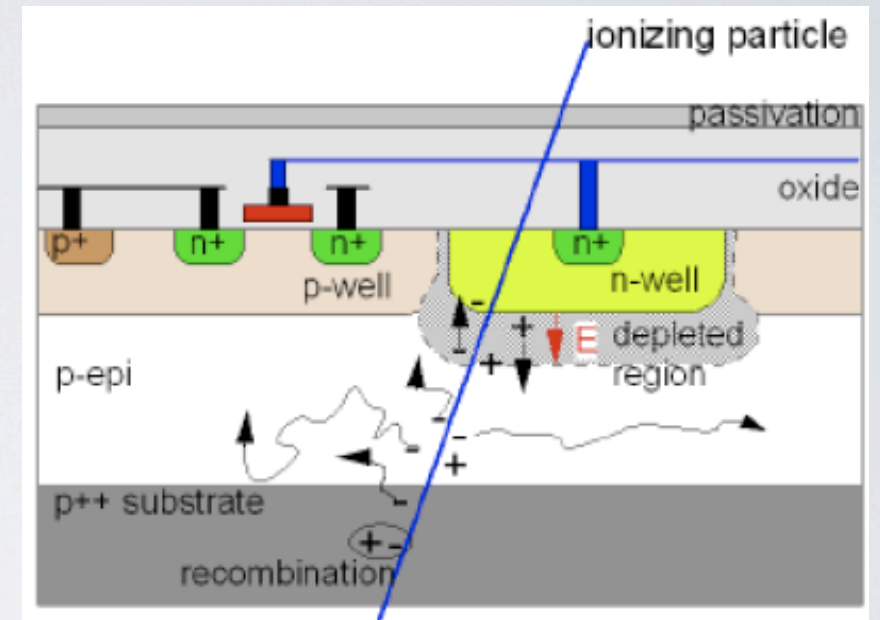
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# CMOS pixel sensors for vertex detectors

- Prominent advantages:
  - **granularity**: pixels of  $\sim 10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^2$ 
    - excellent spatial resolution
  - **monolithic**: signal processing within the sensor
    - easier to integrate
  - **material budget**: total thickness  $< 50 \mu\text{m}$
  - and also: room  $T^\circ$  operation, manufacturing, cost, power consumption, ...



→ CMOS pixel sensors appear as an optimal solution for the next generation of vertex detectors, but developments are needed to optimise them according to different requirements.

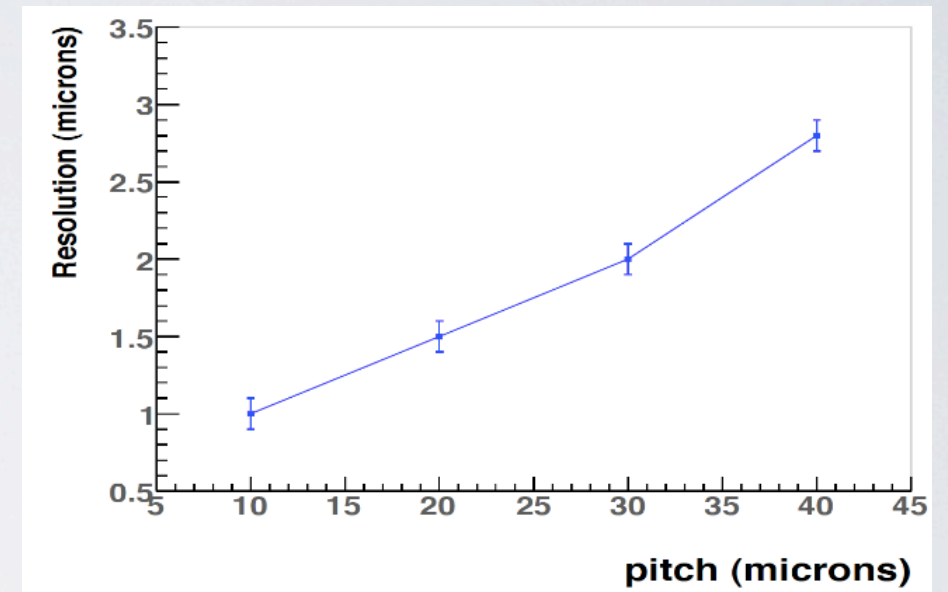


# sensor performances assessment

## MIMOSA sensor prototypes:

see: <http://www.iphc.cnrs.fr/List-of-MIMOSA-chips.html>

- various technologies:
    - 2 different 0.35  $\mu\text{m}$  processes
    - 2 different 0.18  $\mu\text{m}$  processes
  - various pitches:
    - $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^2 \rightarrow 40 \times 40 \mu\text{m}^2$ ,
    - elongated pixels  $16 \times 64 \mu\text{m}^2$ ,  $18.4 \times (36.8 \text{ to } 73.6) \mu\text{m}^2$ .
  - various sensitive volumes:
    - w/ and w/o epitaxial layer  $\rightarrow$  various thicknesses and dopings,
    - standard and high resistivities.
- $\rightarrow$  more than 10 years of **exhaustive studies** (S/N,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\sigma_{s.p.}$ , clustering, charge sharing) under different operating conditions ( $T^\circ$ , irradiation, read-out frequency) and **systematic beam test validations**.
- $\rightarrow$  useful data base of the charge collected per pixel for each technology & architecture.

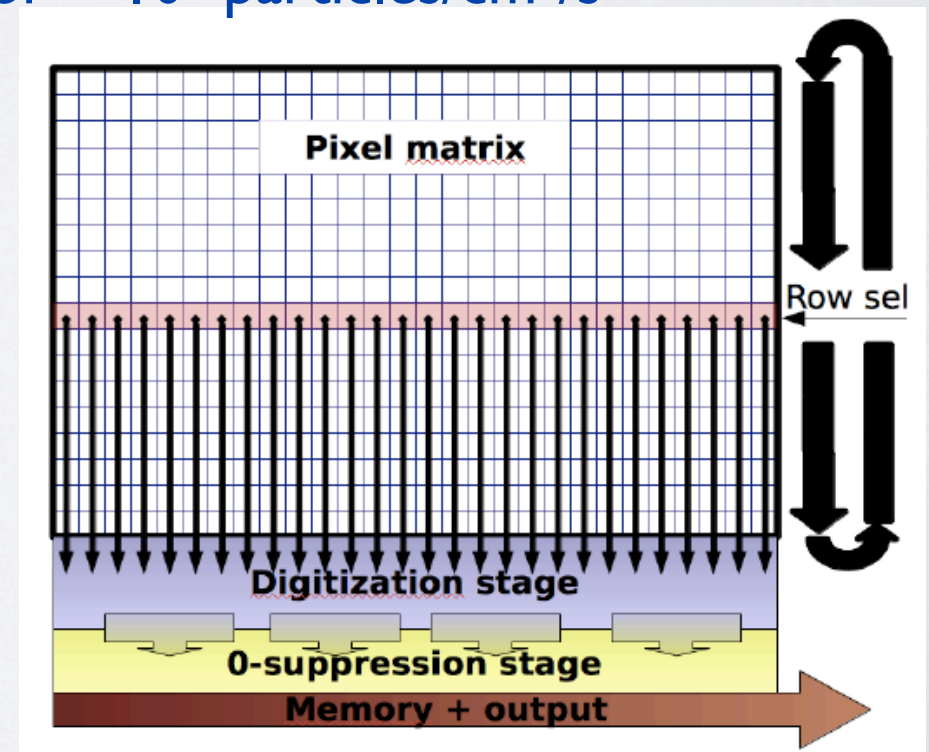
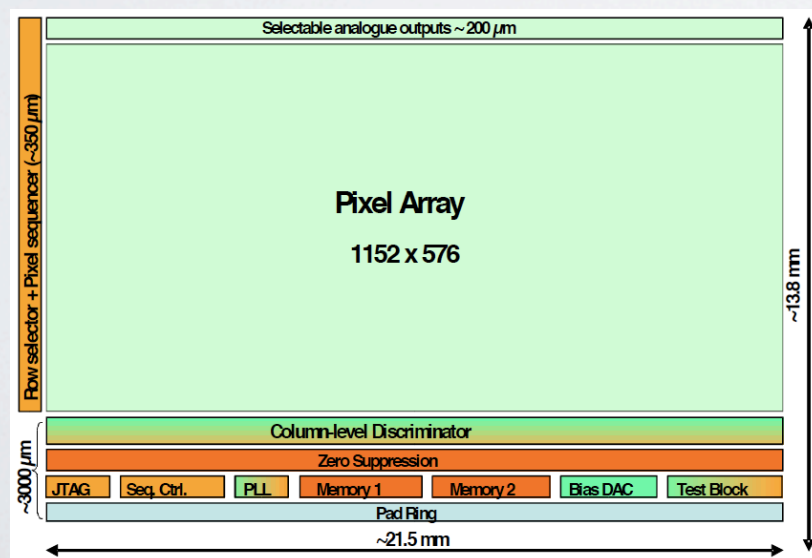




# MIMOSA sensors: state of the art

- **MIMOSA-26 prototype:**

- **0.35  $\mu\text{m}$  process with high resistivity epitaxy**
- fabricated 2008-2010:  $> 90$  sensors tested with different features
- active area 1152 columns of 576 pixels ( $21.2 \times 10.6 \text{ mm}^2$ )
- pitch  $18.4 \times 18.4 \mu\text{m}^2 \rightarrow 660\text{k}$  pixels with  $\sigma_{\text{s.p.}} = 3.5 \mu\text{m}$
- detection efficiency  $\sim 100\%$  for very low fake rate ( $\sim 10^{-4}$ )
- in-pixel amplification and CDS
- end-of-column discrimination and 0 suppression (digital output)
- **rolling shutter read-out:** pixels grouped in columns, readout in //
  - $\rightarrow$  **no dead-time**
- read-out time:  $10^4$  frames/s  $\rightarrow \sim 100 \mu\text{s} \rightarrow$  suited for  $> 10^6$  particles/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- **power dissipation:** 250 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>





# MIMOSA-26 applications

- **applications of MIMOSA-26 technology** in different projects and vertex detector upgrades, requiring:

- **material budget 0.15 % - 0.5 %**
- **tolerance up to several MRad and fluences  $> 10^{13} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$**   
depending on  $T^\circ$ , pitch, read-out time.

- **$\sim$  few  $\mu\text{s}$  read-out time**

- - Beam Telescope of the FP6 project EUDET
  - STAR @ RHIC → data taking in 2013-2014,  
**first vertex detector equipped with CMOS sensors**
  - CBM @ FAIR → data taking  $> 2016$  (SIS-100)
  - Hadrontherapy: FIRST (GSI)
  - other applications: ALICE @ LHC, ILD vertex @ ILC, ...

- see details in previous review on Strasbourg activities by M. Winter,  
October 2010 SuperB meeting @ LNF

<http://agenda.infn.it/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=2303>



# next steps

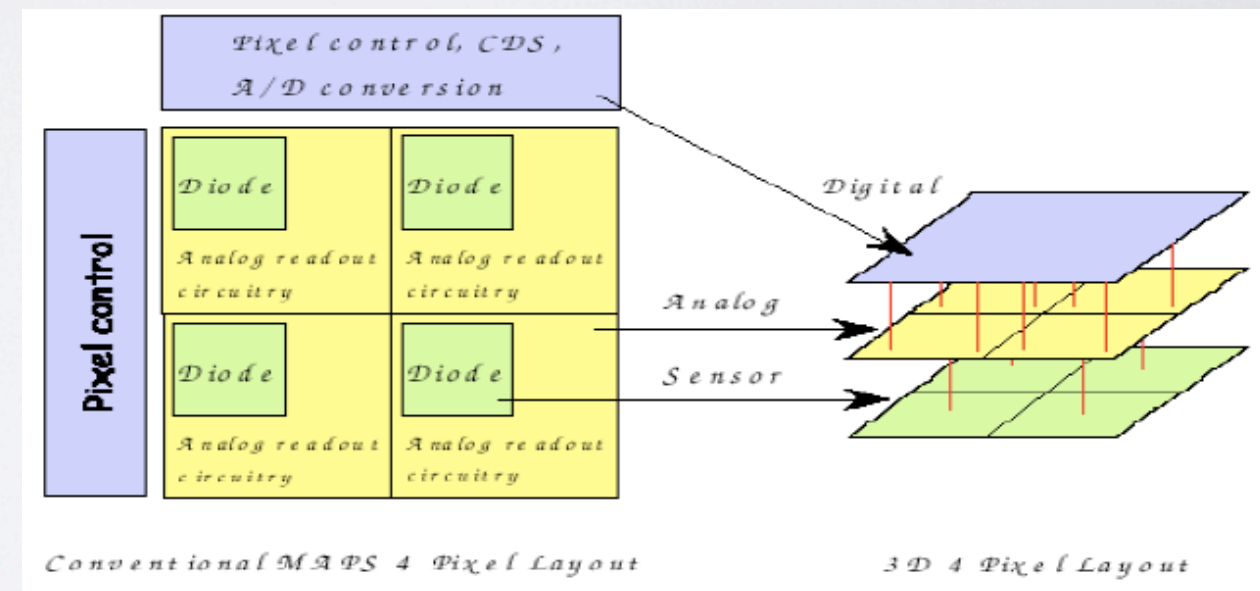
- **exploration of 0.18  $\mu\text{m}$  technologies:**

- MIMOSA-32: 1<sup>st</sup> 0.18  $\mu\text{m}$  prototype will be studied in 2012  
(Multi Project Wafer Run #62 24/10/11)
- ① ▪ MIMOSA-22THR: study of pixel architecture  $\rightarrow$  2013
- MISTRAL-like: first big prototype for ALICE and CBM,  
with read-out time  $\sim$  20 to 40  $\mu\text{s}$
- ② ▪ investigate all features: 3T, 4T, all metallisation layers used, ...
- ③ ▪ study of parallel rolling-shutter read-out  $\rightarrow$  read-out time  $< 10 \mu\text{s} \geq 2016$

- **exploration of 3D Integration Technologies:**

- participation to the 3D Integration Consortium (coordinated by FNAL): CAIRN chips (CMOS Active pixel sensors with vertically Integrated Read-out and Networking functionalities) submitted to foundry in Spring 2009.
- high expectations
- longer term program

$\rightarrow$  Strasbourg: improve performance of the charge collection (S/N, noise reduction) and the pre-amplification.

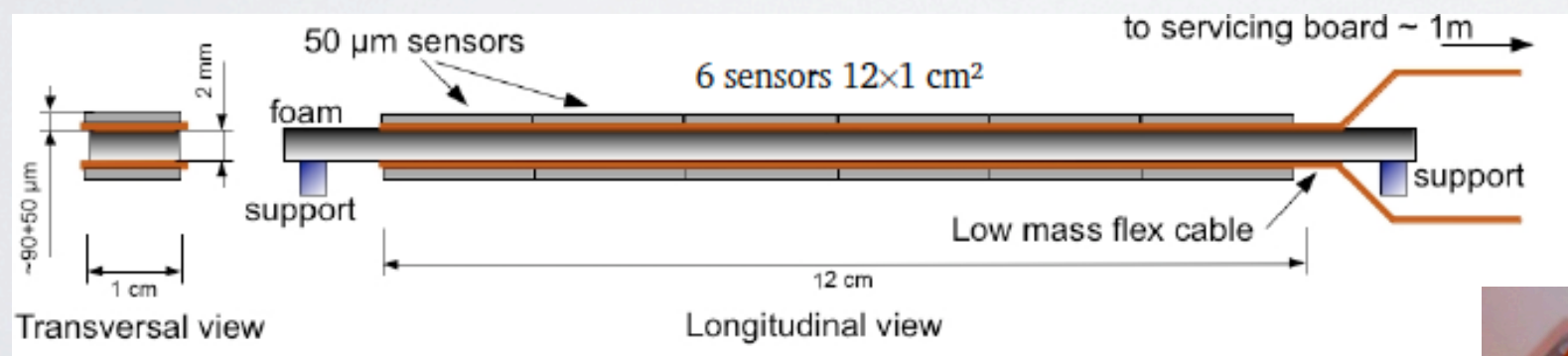




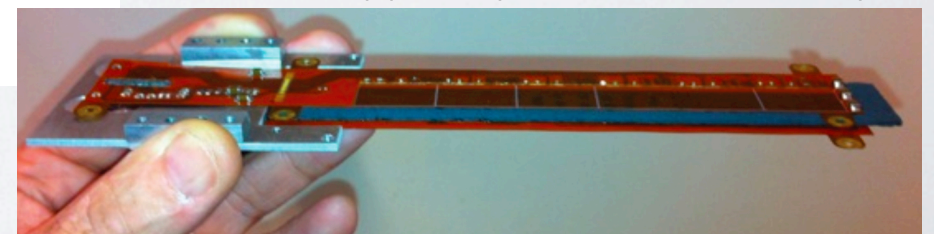
# sensor integration

**the PLUME project:** Pixelated Ladder with Ultra-low Material Embedding  
collaboration between IPHC Strasbourg, DESY, Oxford and Bristol  
see: <http://www.iphc.cnrs.fr/CMOSILCPLUME.html>

- motivation: ILD vertex detector at the ILC
- goal: **to achieve by  $\geq 2012$  a prototype double-layer ladder equipped with CMOS pixel sensors with material budget  $\leq 0.3 \% X_0$**
- added value of a double-sided layer w.r.t. a single-sided layer?
- design: sensitive area  $2 \times 12 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$   
2x6 MIMOSA-26 thinned down to  $50 \mu\text{m}$   
binary read-out  
air cooling



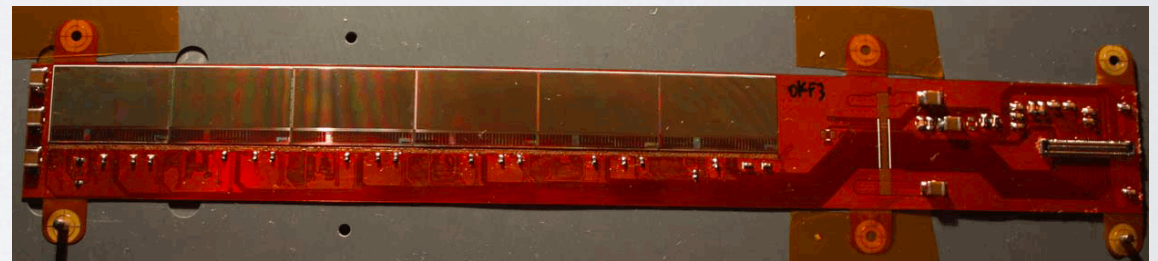
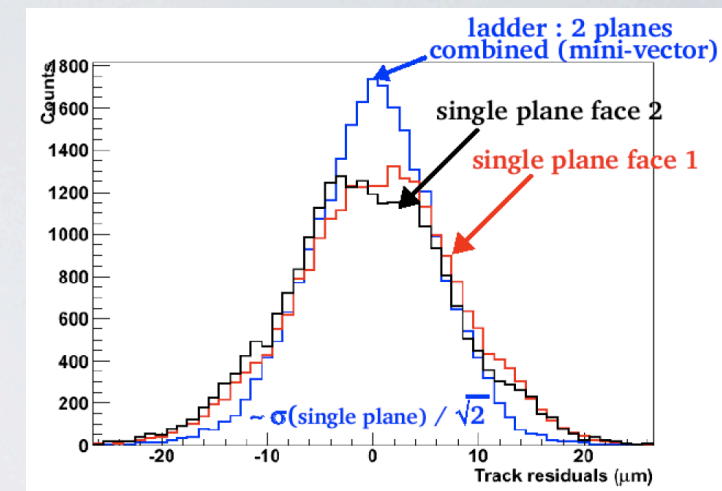
bare support (foam stiffener+flex)





# sensor integration (2)

- Prototype 0 (2009-2010):
  - 2x2 MIMOSA-20 2x4x1 cm<sup>2</sup> sensitive area, 204k pixels
  - analog readout
  - material budget  $\sim 0.6\%$  X<sub>0</sub> (copper cable)
  - beam test @ SPS (CERN) with 120 GeV in November 2009:
    - ➔ feasibility study and beam test procedure implementation
- Prototype 1 (2010-2011): focus on functionalities
  - 2x6 MIMOSA-26 2x12x1 cm<sup>2</sup> sensitive area, 660k pixels
  - digital read-out
  - material budget  $\sim 0.6\%$  X<sub>0</sub>
  - already tested @ IPHC
  - work plan:
    - Summer 2011: thermo-mechanical measurements,
    - November 2011: beam test @ SPS.
- Prototype 3 (2011-2012): optimised for material budget
  - $\sim$  the same as proto-1 with material budget  $\sim 0.3-0.4\%$  X<sub>0</sub>
  - new tool to glue the sensors on the flex with high precision (Fall 2011).
  - first ladder  $\sim$  Fall 2011, beam test  $\sim$  Summer 2012.

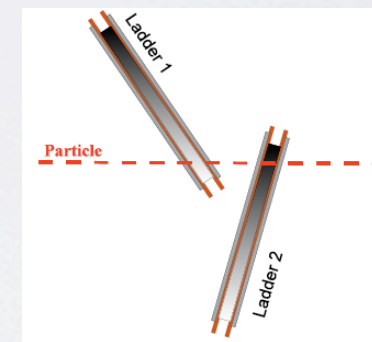
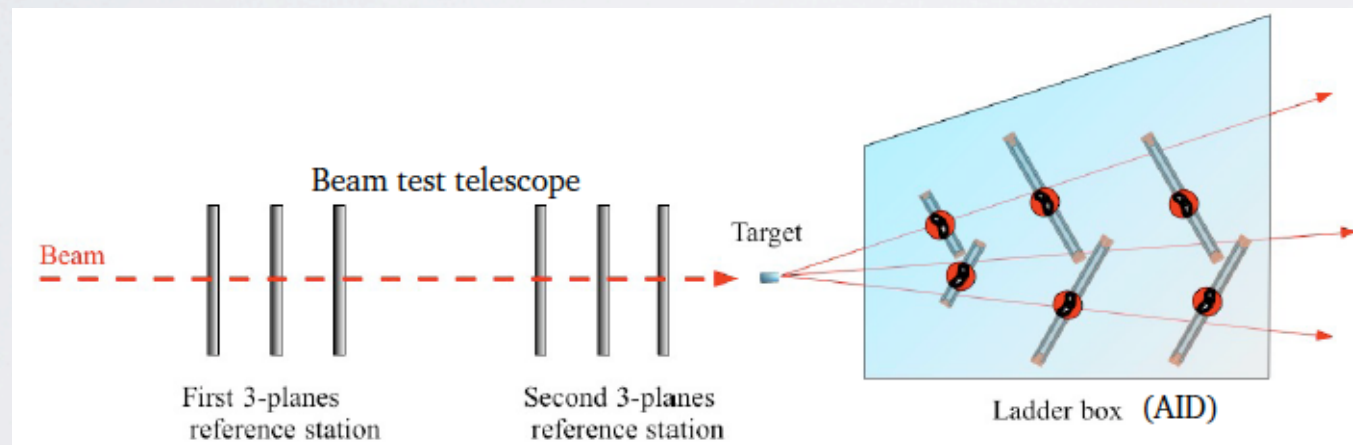




# alignement and tracking

**the AIDA project:** Advanced European Infrastructures for Detectors and Accelerators  
collaboration between IPHC Strasbourg, IRFU Saclay + PLUME  
see: <http://www.iphc.cnrs.fr/AIDA-Project.html>

- On-beam test infrastructure:
  - Large Area Beam Telescope (LAT, now Single Arm LAT):  
EUDET-like Beam Telescope  
**aim at providing impact positions on DUT with 2  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution**
  - Alignment Investigation Device (AID): PLUME  $\rightarrow$  2012-2013
  - very thin removable target

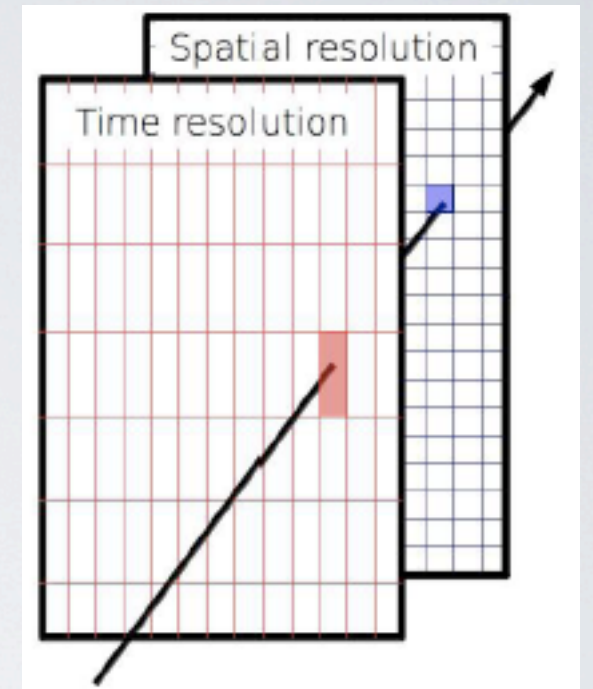


- SALAT demonstrator with current sensors (MIMOSA-28 from STAR-PXL)  
 $\rightarrow$  commissioning 2012  
Final chips: large active area  $5 \times 5 \text{ cm}^2$ ,  $2500 \times 2500$  pixels with  $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}^2$  pitch,  
based on multi-reticule sensors: **stitching process to be investigated** (advantage of  $0.18 \mu\text{m}$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  expected Summer 2014



# detector geometry optimisation

- **Estimation of the added value from double-sided layers:**
  - better pointing accuracy,
  - mini-vector could help working under unfavourable conditions (high occupancy rate w.r.t. read-out time),
  - combination of time resolution on one side and time resolution on the other side,
  - improved neighbouring hit separation,
  - may also help for the alignment.
- ➔ **especially interesting in high density conditions.**
- **Importance of the quality from the extrapolated track** on the Layer-0, reconstructed with the other layers from the tracker.
- Twofold investigation:
  - beam tests with PLUME and AIDA,
  - simulations: “super-fastsim”, and in the future, physics benchmarks studied within the *a la* SuperB fastsim.





# detector geometry optimisation (2)

## fast-estimation tool of a tracker system performances:

tool inherited from STAR (J.Thomas) via our ALICE colleagues.

- Principle:

- easy to calculate  $\sigma_{IP}$  for a track reconstructed with 2 layers:

$$\sigma_{IP}^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2 r_2^2 + \sigma_2^2 r_1^2}{(r_2 - r_1)^2} + \frac{\theta_{MCS}^2 r_1^2}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

- more complicated with more than 2 measurements

→ P. Billoir method (NIM 225 (1984) 352) based on an outside-in Kalman filter:

matrix method [Mult. Cb Scatt.] [Drift] [Measur.] [MCS] [D]

- Given the detector parameters ( $r, x/X_0, \sigma_{s.p.}, t_{r.o.}$ ) and the collider quantities (background and physics cross-sections, luminosity), we are able to study:

- pointing resolution at collision point,
- transverse momentum resolution,
- efficiency to match a measured point on a given layer to a reconstructed track:

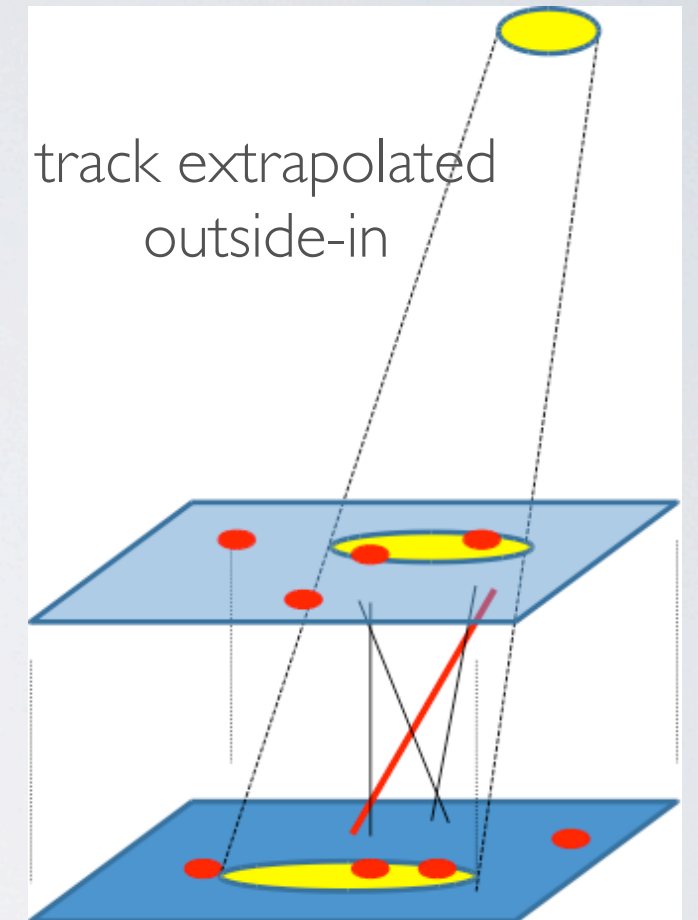
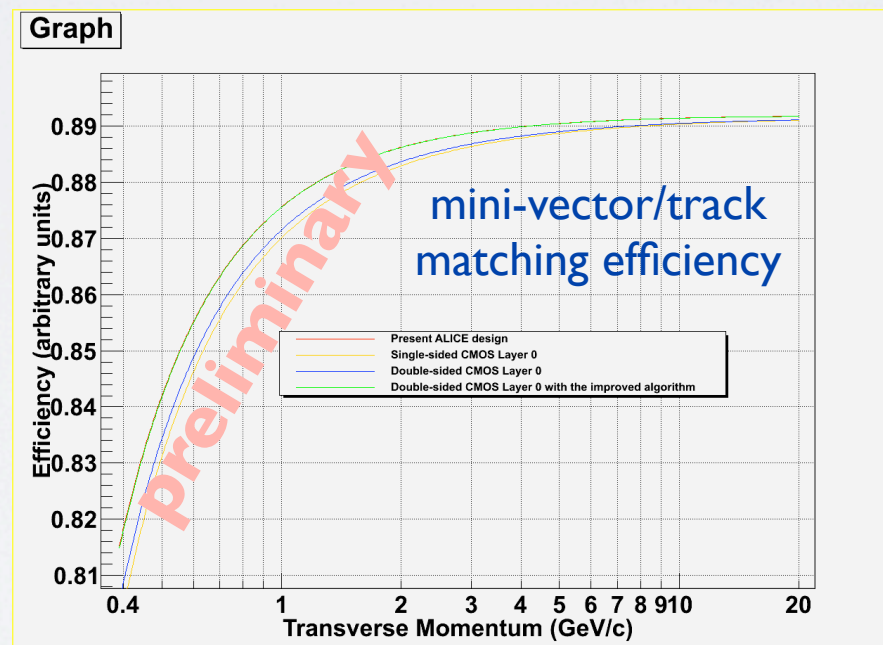
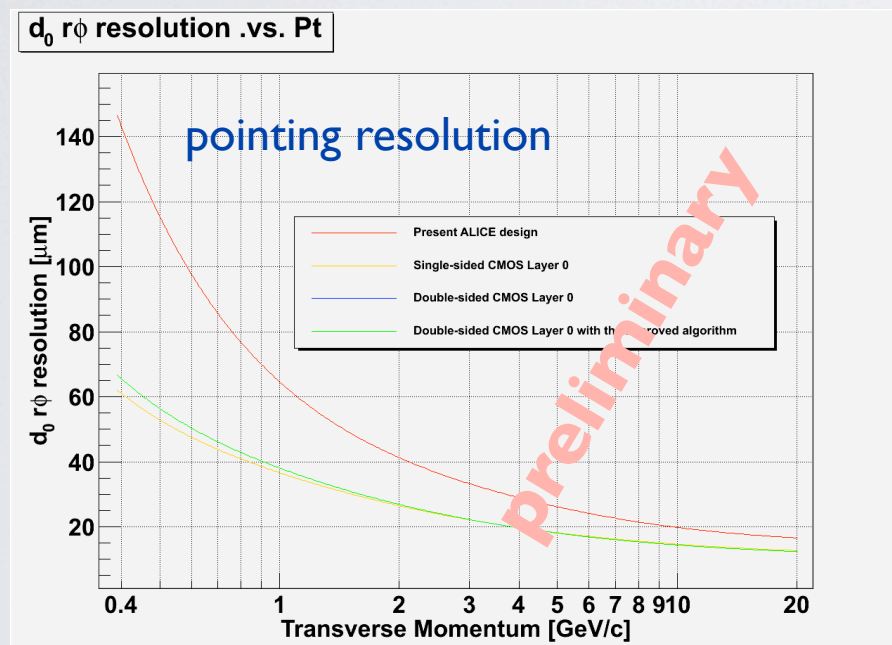
to ensure that the hit finding can be done efficiently at each layer in a high hit density environment,

- **global vertex detector geometry optimisation**: interplay between all layers.



# detector geometry optimisation (3)

- Example of study (S. Senyukov and J. Baudot, PICSEL group, IPHC Strasbourg):
  - study for the ALICE vertex detector upgrade,
  - **mini-vector with the hits from the double-sided CMOS layers are matched to the reconstructed track** rather than only using the 2 measured points separately.
  - further investigation varying detector parameters: position of layers, material budget, ....

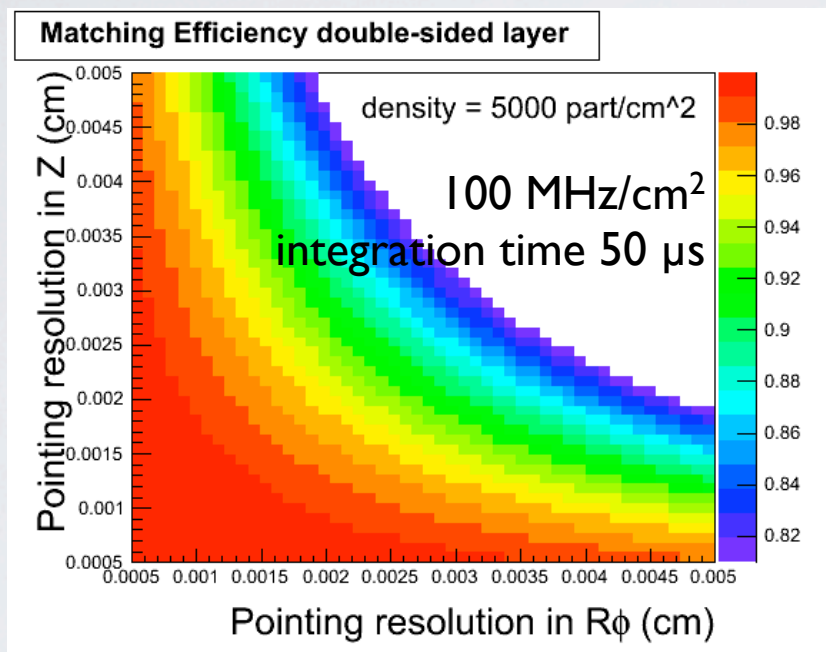


➔ double-sided layer + mini-vector approach interesting for the tracking efficiency.

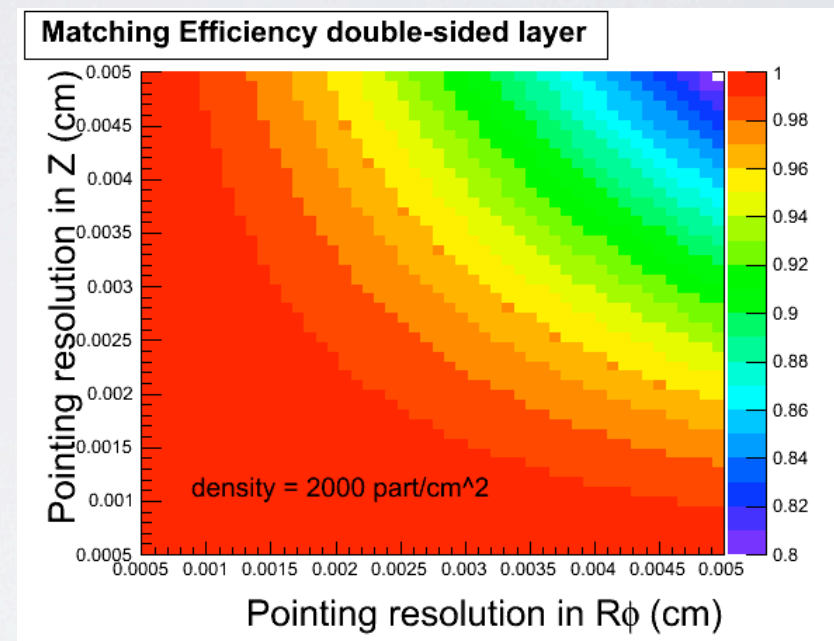


# detector geometry optimisation (4)

- Added value of mini-vectors from a double-sided layer of CMOS pixel sensors in SuperB: measured-point/extrapolated-track matching efficiency as a function of the total resolution on the extrapolated track, in both directions, for different particle densities.



for instance:  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} \sim 15\mu\text{m}$   
needed in both directions



for instance:  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} \sim 25\mu\text{m}$   
needed in both directions

with  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{(\sigma_{\text{extrapolation}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{detector}}^2)}$ , for instance  $15 = \sqrt{(11^2 + 10^2)} = \sqrt{(14^2 + 5^2)}$   
 $25 = \sqrt{(23^2 + 10^2)} = \sqrt{(24^2 + 5^2)}$

→ need more investigation but a moderate read-out time may do the work, especially during the first years.

(ALICE note in preparation by J. Baudot and S. Senyukov: “Comparison of hit-track matching efficiency with single-sided and double-sided layers”)

# conclusion

- Strasbourg expresses interest in joining the SuperB collaboration with a twofold contribution:
  - hardware developments focused on a vertex detector equipped with CMOS pixel sensors:
    - ➔ explore 0.18  $\mu\text{m}$  and 3D technologies, focusing on charge collection and pre-amplification, in synergy with INFN,
    - ➔ design of the low mass flex cable,
    - ➔ architecture of the ladder.
  - physics analyses, beginning with studies in relation with the tracking system performances:
    - ➔ investigate the asset of a double-sided layer of CMOS pixel sensors,
    - ➔ global optimisation of the whole vertex detector (which layer I?),
    - ➔ study the mandatory read-out time in parallel rolling shutter read-out mode.
- Synergy between all developments performed in Strasbourg in the PICSEL group (which is involved in several projects) and SuperB vertex detector developments.





**more information**

# Overview of Rolling Shutter Architecture

- **Sensor organisation:**

- ✧ Signal sensing and analog processing in pixel array
- ✧ Mixed and Digital circuitry integrated in chip periphery
- ✧ Read-out in rolling shutter mode  
(pixels grouped in columns read-out in //)

- **Main consequences:**

- ✧ **Read-out speed :**

≡ integration time

≡ nb of pixels  $\times$  pixel read-out time ( $O(100 \text{ ns})$ )

- ✧ **Power consumption :**

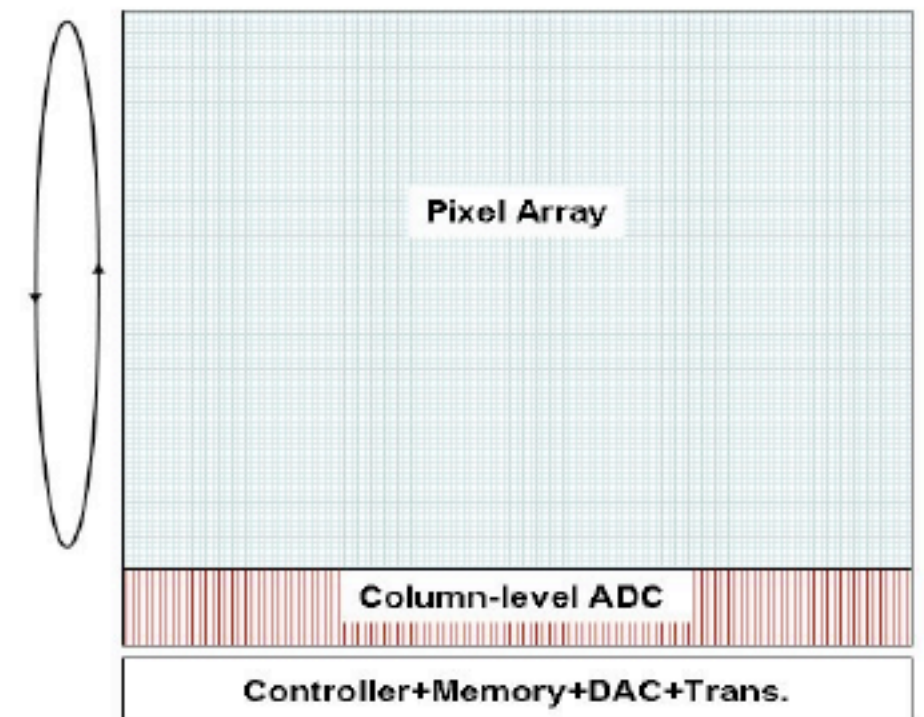
limited inside the pixel array to the row being read out

- ✧ **Material budget :**

peripheral band(s) for mixed+digital circuitry, insensitive to impinging particles ( $\sim 10 \%$  of chip surface)

- ✧ **Time stamp :**

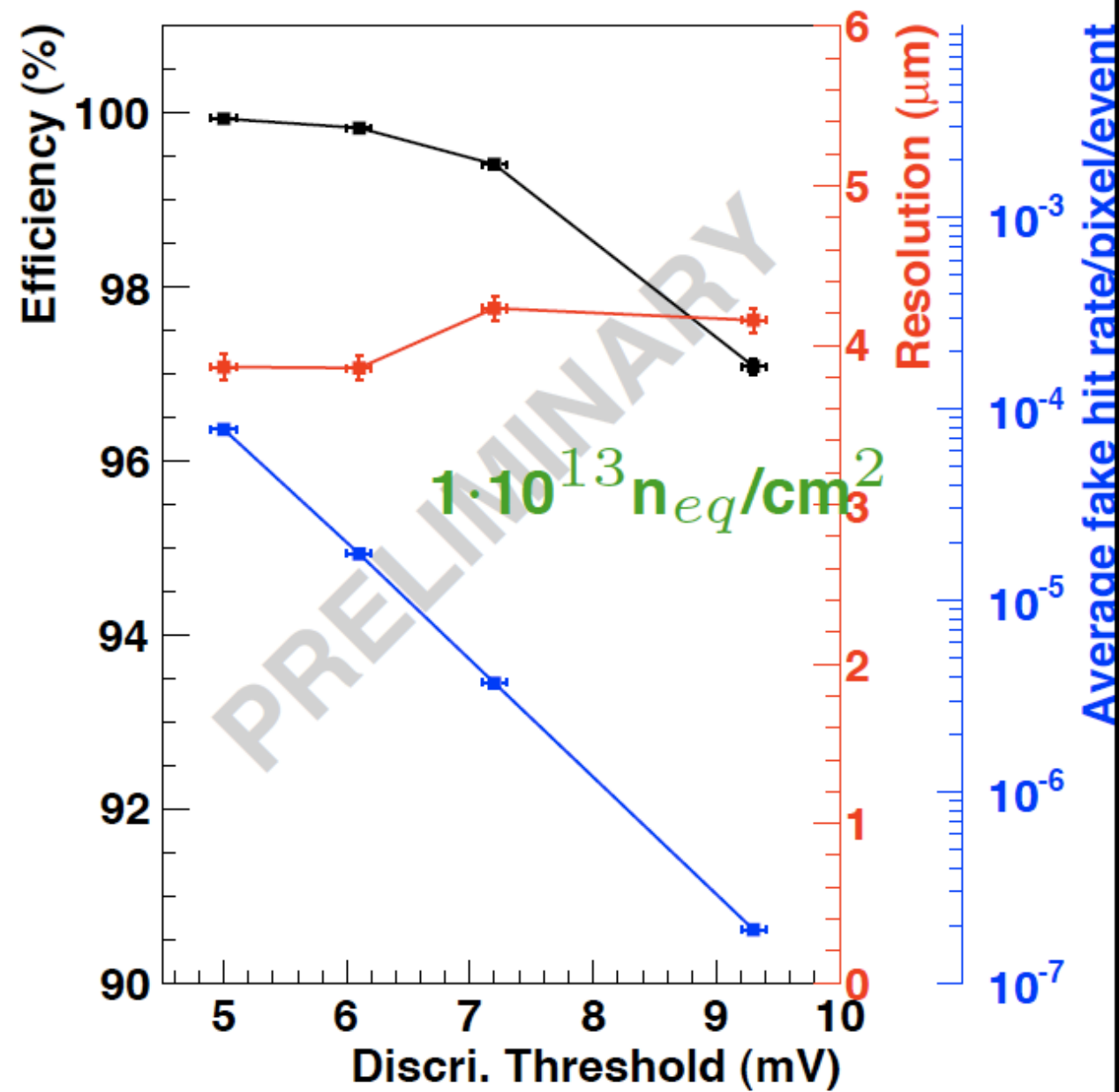
each row corresponds to a specific time interval  $\Rightarrow$  adapt track reconstruction code



(courtesy of M. Winter)



**Mi26 HR-15 Efficiency, Fake rate and Resolution**  
 for a chip irradiated with a  $1 \cdot 10^{13} N_{eq}$  dose at  $T_{op} \sim 0^\circ C$



(courtesy of M. Winter)

# The CMOS sensor-based VXD

## Inner layer – internal side

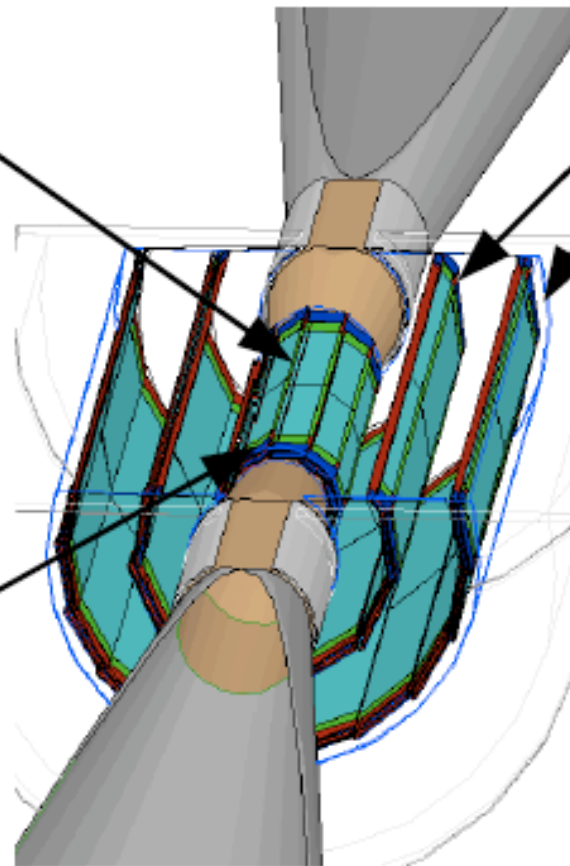
- Optimized for resolution
- $16 \times 16 \mu\text{m}^2$
- Q encoding: binary
- $t_{\text{Integration}} \sim 40 \mu\text{s}$
- Sensitive area  $\sim 2 \text{ cm}^2$

## Inner layer – external side

- Optimized for r.o. speed
- $16 \times 64 \mu\text{m}^2$
- Q encoding: binary
- $t_{\text{Integration}} \sim 10 \mu\text{s}$
- Sensitive area  $\sim 2 \text{ cm}^2$

## Outer layer

- Optimized for low power
- $35 \times 35 \mu\text{m}^2$
- Q encoding: 4-bits
- $t_{\text{Integration}} \sim 100 \mu\text{s}$
- Sensitive area  $\sim 4 \text{ cm}^2$



layer	radius (mm)	length (mm)	# ladders	# sensors*	#.10 <sup>6</sup> pixels	$t_{\text{int}}$ ( $\mu\text{s}$ )	$\sigma_{\text{s.p.}}$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
1	16/18	125	14	168	66 + 16	40 / 10	< 3
2	37/39	250	26	312	2x112	100	< 4
3	58/60	250	40	480	2x173	100	< 4
total			80	960	652		

\* Numbers corresponding to current CMOS technology (0.35  $\mu\text{m}$ ) prototypes

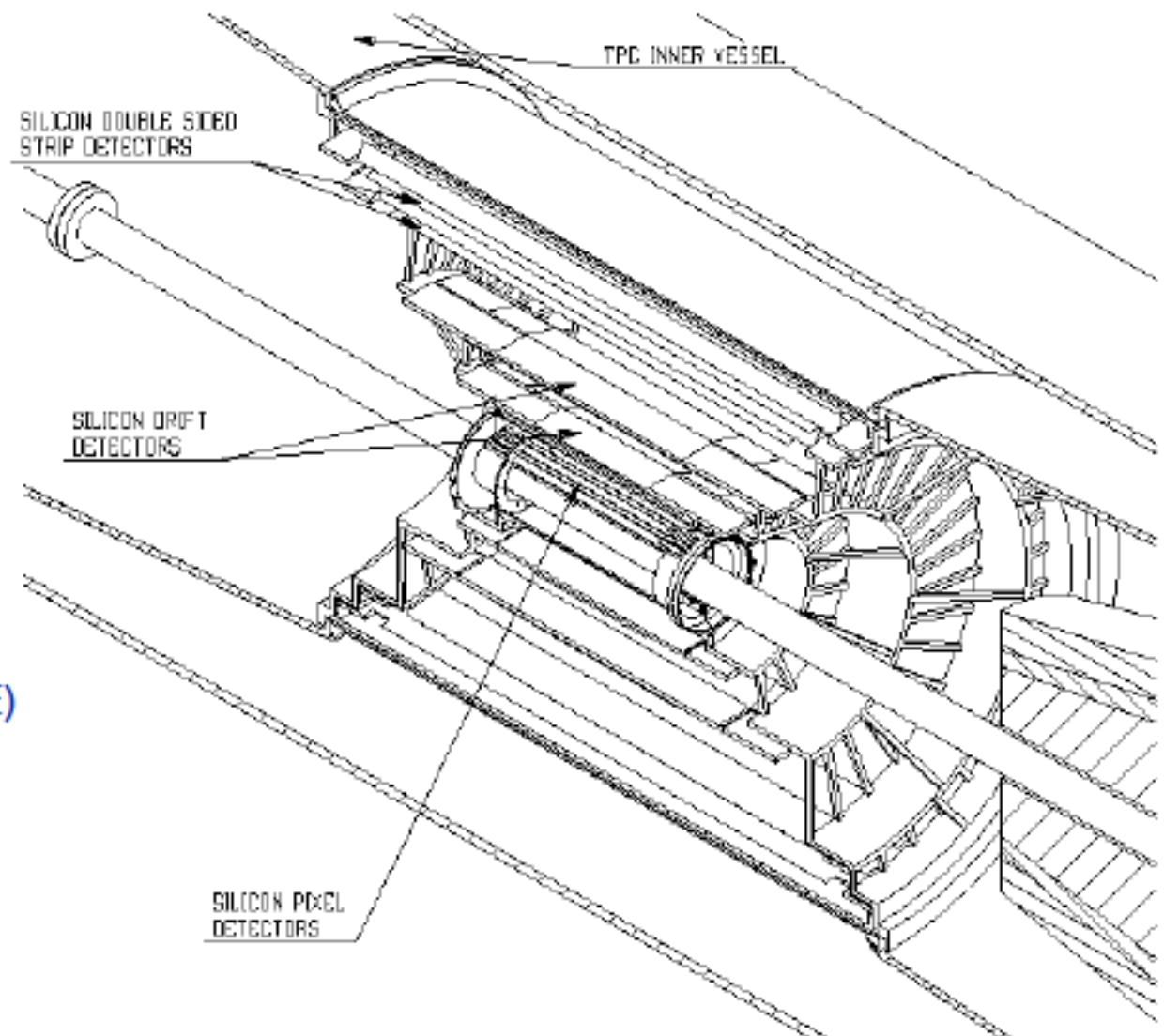


# Upgrade of ALICE-ITS

- ITS upgrade :

- \* envisioned for "2016" LHC long shutdown
- \* exploits space left by replacement of beam pipe with small radius (19 mm) section
- \* consists (at least) in introducing L0
  - ≡ additional layer at  $\lesssim 25$  mm radius (potentially : replace part of the ITS)
- \* 2 pixel options considered :
  - ◇ Hybrid pixels with reduced material budget & pitch
  - ◇ CMOS pixel sensors derived from STAR-PXL (ULTIMATE)
- \* main characteristics of CMOS option :
  - ◇ double-sided ladder derived from PLUME ( $< 0.5 \% X_0$ )
  - ◇  $\lesssim 50 \mu s$  read-out time
  - ◇  $\sim 4 \mu m$  spatial resolution
  - ◇  $> 1 \text{ MRad} \ \& \ 10^{13} n_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$  at  $T = 30^\circ \text{C}$  (target values)
    - ↪ move to  $0.18 \mu m$  technology

▷▷▷ **Technical Proposal due for 2011**



# “standard” PCB process for chip embedding in plastic foils (R. de Oliveira, CERN)

