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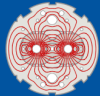
The ATLAS ITk Detector System for the Phase-II LHC Upgrade

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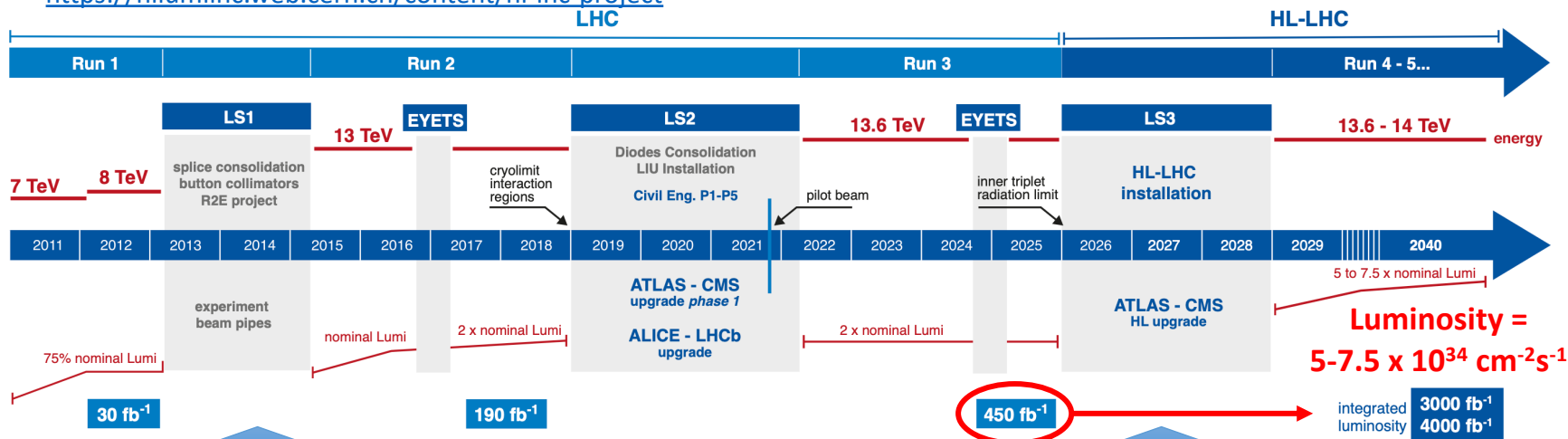
High Luminosity LHC Upgrade



LHC / HL-LHC Plan

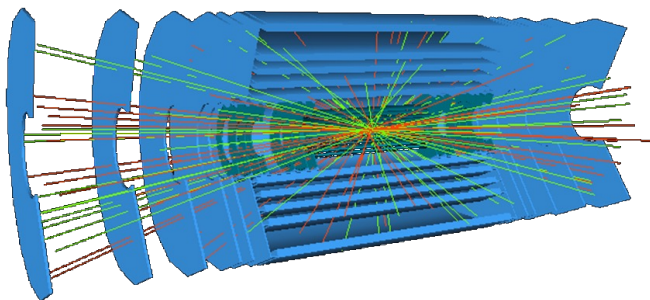


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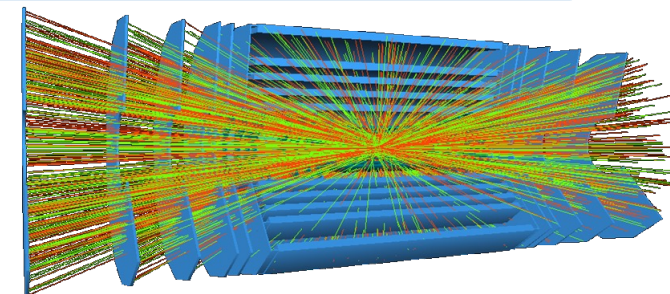
LHC: Inner Detector (ID) system, TRT (gas detector) + Strips + Pixels (with new Insertable B-Layer)

HL-LHC: New all-silicon Inner Tracker (ITk), Strips + Pixels



LHC:
19 – 55
pile up events

HL-LHC:
140 – 200
pile up events



Tracking Challenges at the HL-LHC

- The ITk has to meet the HL-LHC challenges while maintaining (or improve upon) the tracking performance of the ATLAS ID.

- Instantaneous conditions

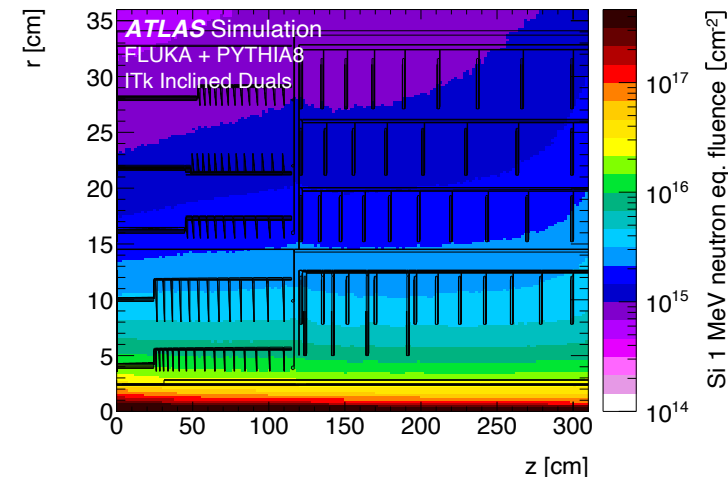
- Pile up, high event rate, increased occupancy.

→ *Higher granularity sensor; SEE-robust, faster readout ASICs; redundant tracking for combinatorics.*

- Integrated effects

- Particle fluence up to $2 \times 10^{16} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}\text{cm}^{-2}$ in the pixel region and $1.6 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}\text{cm}^{-2}$ in the strip region.
 - Total Ionizing Dose (TID) up to **10 MGy** in the pixel region.

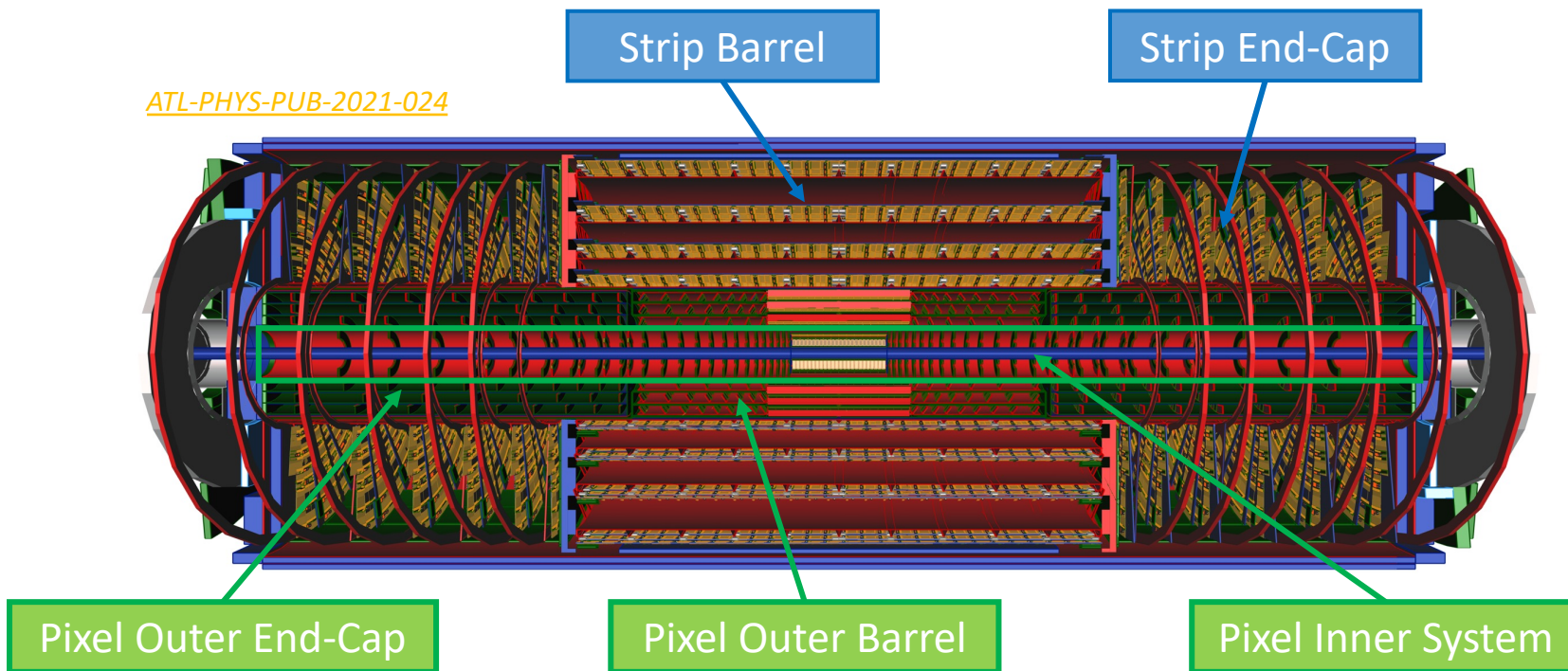
→ *Radiation hard technologies.*



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The ATLAS Inner Tracker - ITk

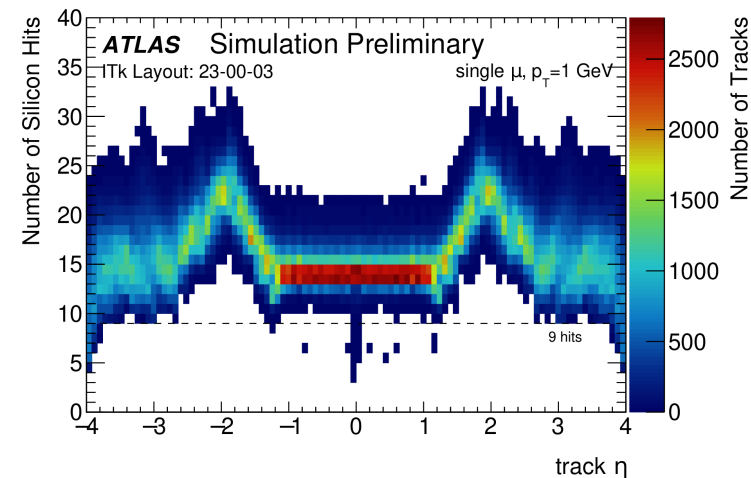
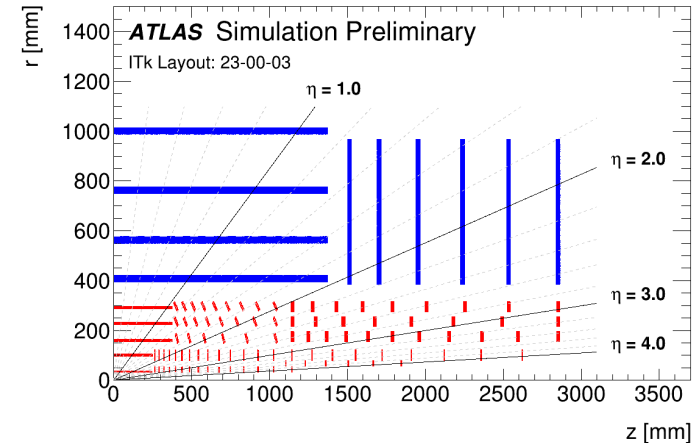
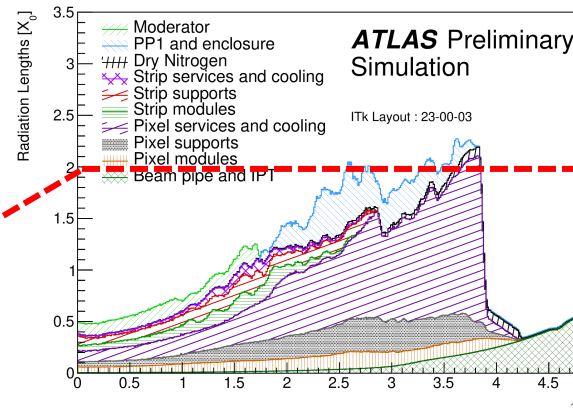
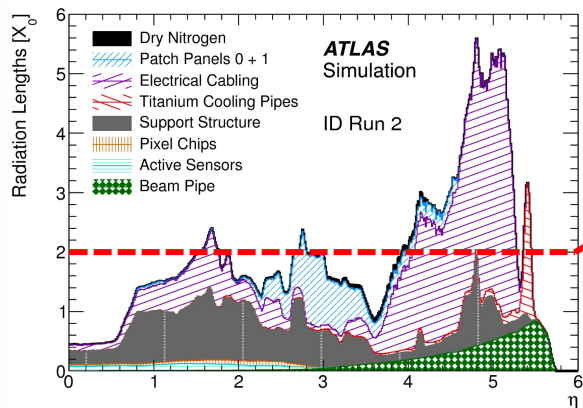
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ITk (ID)	Area (m ²)	# Modules	# Channels (M)
Pixels	13 (1.6)	9164 (2000)	5100 (92)
Strips	165 (61)	17888 (4088)	60 (6.3)

ITk Layout

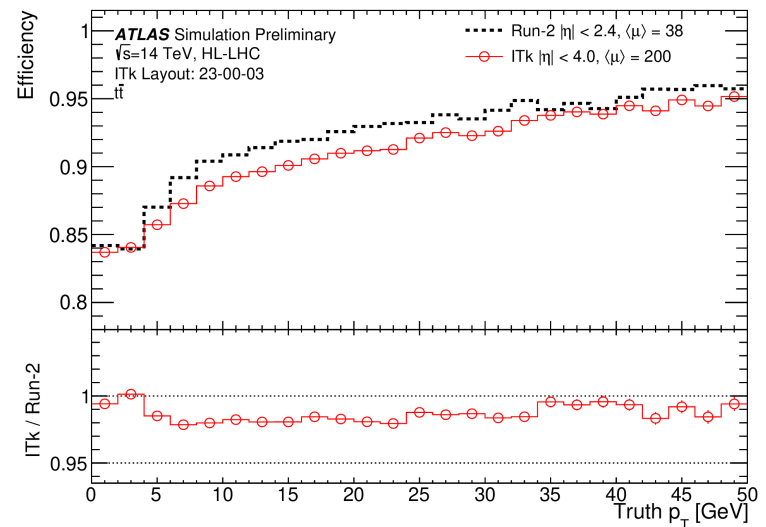
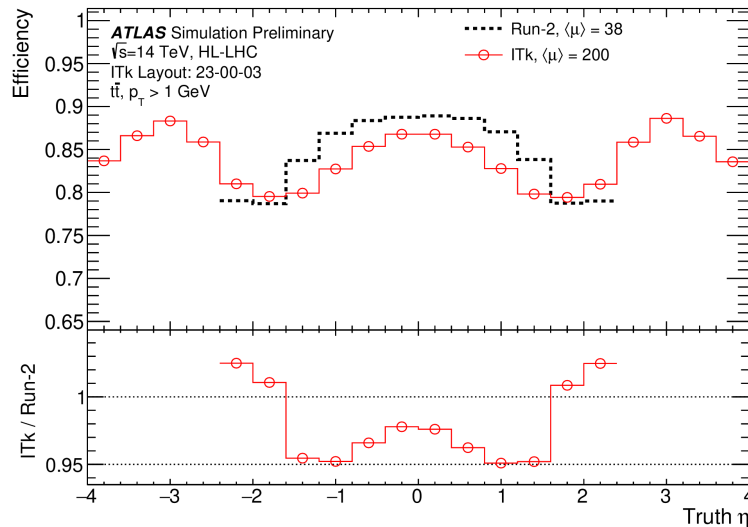
- Extended coverage up to eta 4 with at least 9 space points per track.
 - 4 strips barrel layers, 2x 6 strips end-cap disks.
 - 5 pixels barrel layers (flat + inclined), novel pixel ring structure.
- Lower material budget than ATLAS ID.
 - Evaporative CO2 cooling system with titanium pipes.
 - Carbon structures for local supports.
 - Optimised number of readout cables using link sharing.
 - Innovative Serial Powering (SP) scheme in the pixels.



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Example of Tracking Performance

- Tracking efficiency at 200 events pileup (ITk @ HL-LHC) vs 38 (ATLAS ID @ Run-2).
 - Similar performance to Run-2 in the barrel.
 - Improved efficiency **over 85% at high-eta.**



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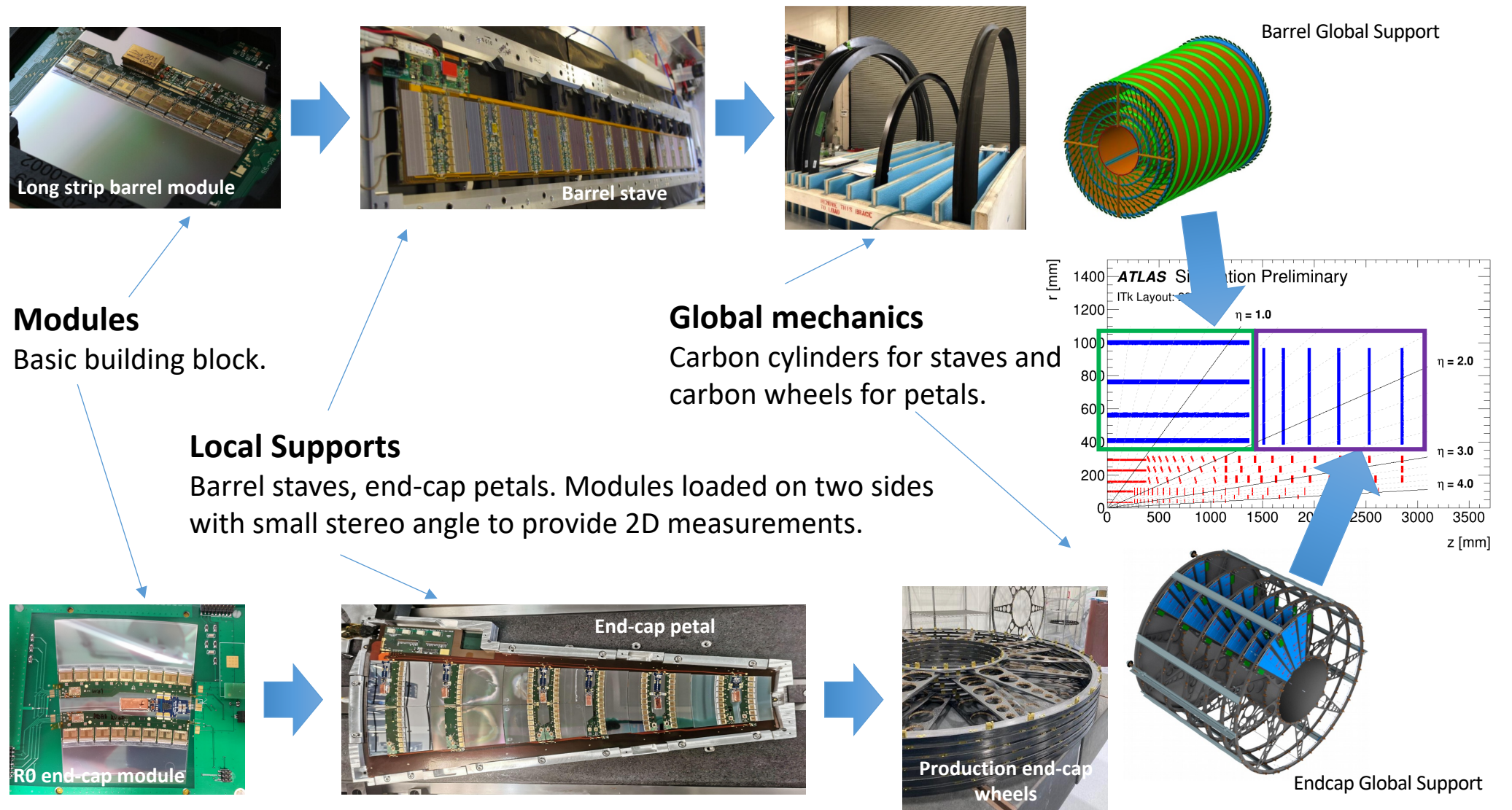
More results on ITk performance in these posters:

- Expected tracking and readout performance of the ATLAS Phase-II Inner Tracker Upgrade - Daniela Bortoletto.
- Expected reconstruction performance with the new ATLAS Inner Tracker at the High-Luminosity LHC - Marianna Testa.

And on general ITk detector operation and safety aspects on these posters:

- An environmental monitoring and control system for the ATLAS Outer Barrel QC and Integration - Nicola Pacifico
- The ITk interlock hardware protection system - Susanne Kersten

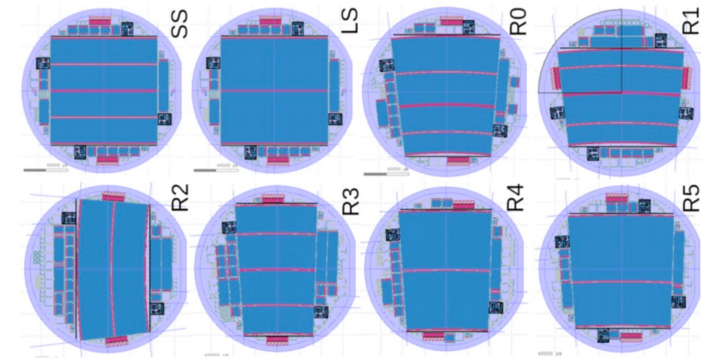
ITk Strips Detector Overview



ITk Strips Modules

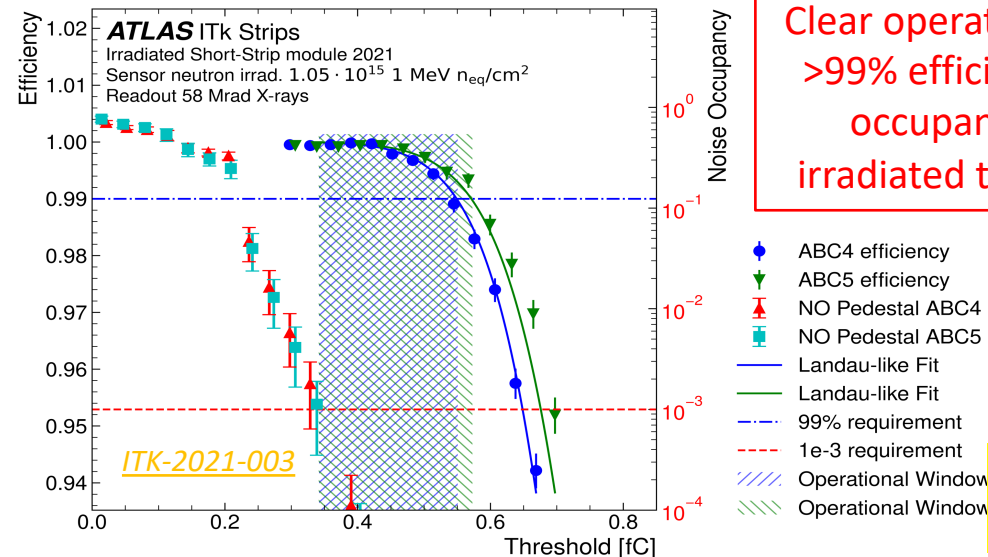
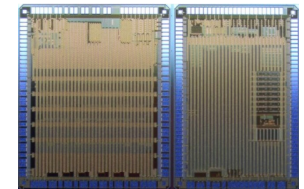
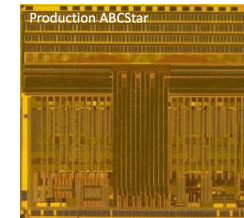
- Different module flavours based on sensor geometry for barrel (short and long strips) and end-caps (R0, ..., R5).
- Common modular design: **sensor + hybrid + powerboard**.
 - Hybrid: (up to 12) strips binary readout chips (**ABCStar**) and up to 2 controller chips (**HCCStar**).
 - Powerboard: HV switch and filter, LV DC-DC converter, Monitor and control chip (**AMAC**).

SS, LS are barrel, R# are end-cap

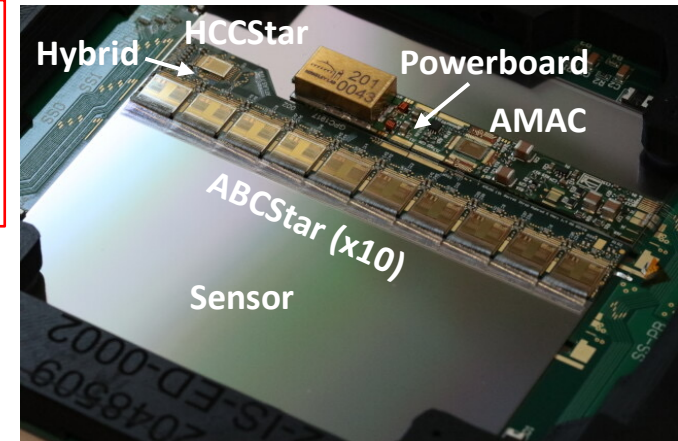


ABCStar

HCCStar + AMACStar



Clear operational window with
>99% efficiency, <0.1% noise
occupancy for modules
irradiated to end-of-life dose.



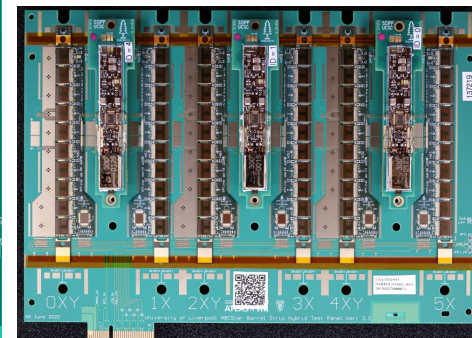
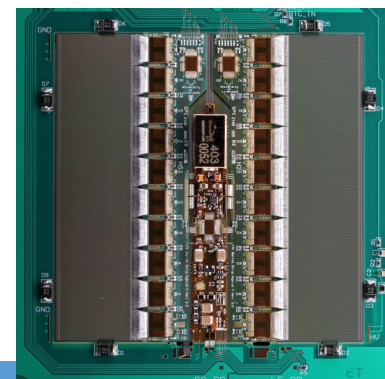
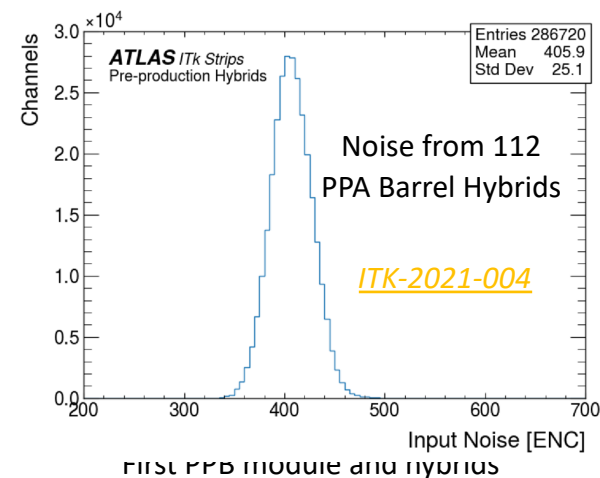
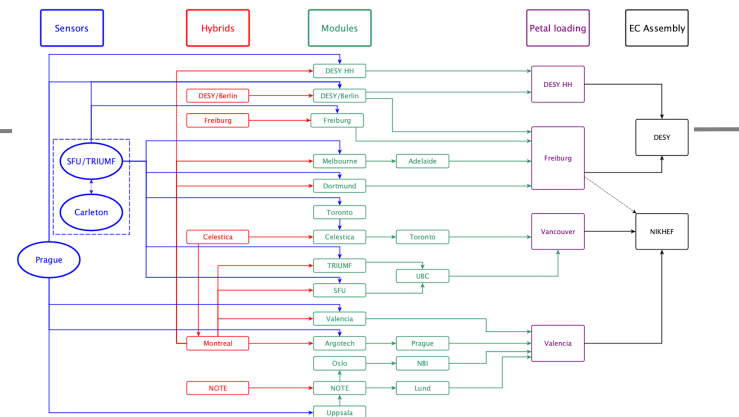
Four posters on ITk strip sensor characterisation
(Jiri Kroll; David Roussos; Xavi Fernandez-Tejero; Vera Latonova).

ITk Strips Module Production

- Global effort with 11/20 assembly and testing sites for barrel/endcaps to **build 17888 modules in 3 years**
 - Including yield 20625 to be built.
 - Extensive **QC/QA procedures** on all components and on the modules.
- All sites undergoing **site qualification** to setup and verify full assembly, bonding, storage/shipping, electrical/QC testing, DB upload procedures; **72% completed**.
- Module **Pre-Production (PP)** well underway.
 - Build ~1000 modules to demonstrate readiness for full production.
 - PP-A with PP sensor and ABCStar, else prototype components, almost completed.
 - PP-B modules with all PP parts starting.
 - Production Readiness Review in Sept 2022.

Production to start in Q4 2022

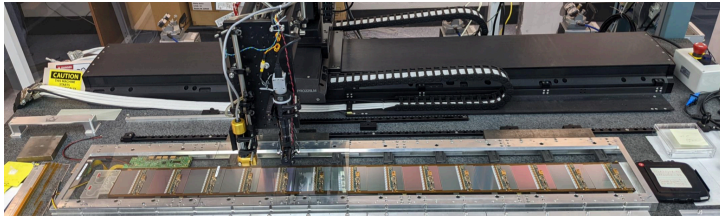
End-cap overall part flow



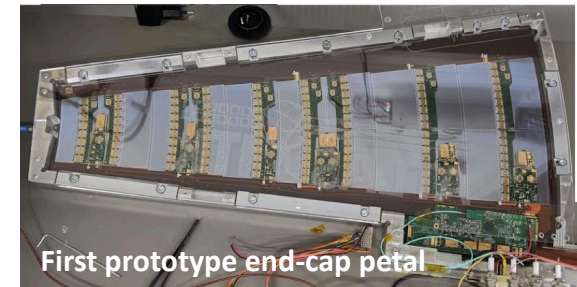
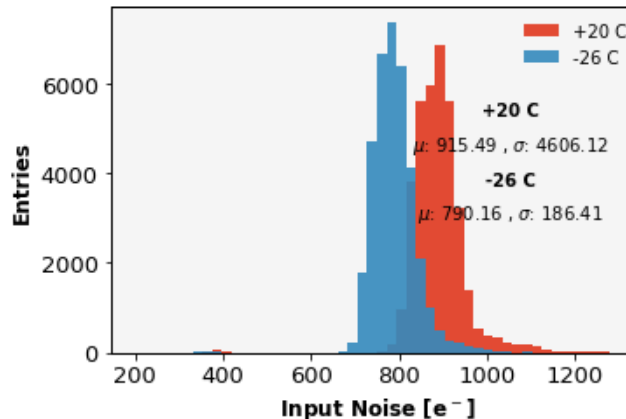
ITk Strips Support Structures

- Local support structures
 - Carbon-fiber composite with integrated electrical and cooling interfaces.
 - Co-cured polyimide/copper bus tapes, EOS card (data links & power).
 - Pre-production of both staves and petals ongoing.
 - First pre-production stave loading ongoing, one side fully assembled, preliminary results on noise performance as expected.
- Global mechanics parts are in production, most elements nearing completion in end-cap.

First PP-A barrel stave (one side)

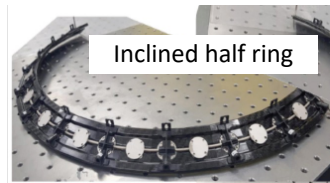


See poster session: Electrical performances of pre-productions staves for the ATLAS ITk Strip Detector Upgrade - Punit Sharma

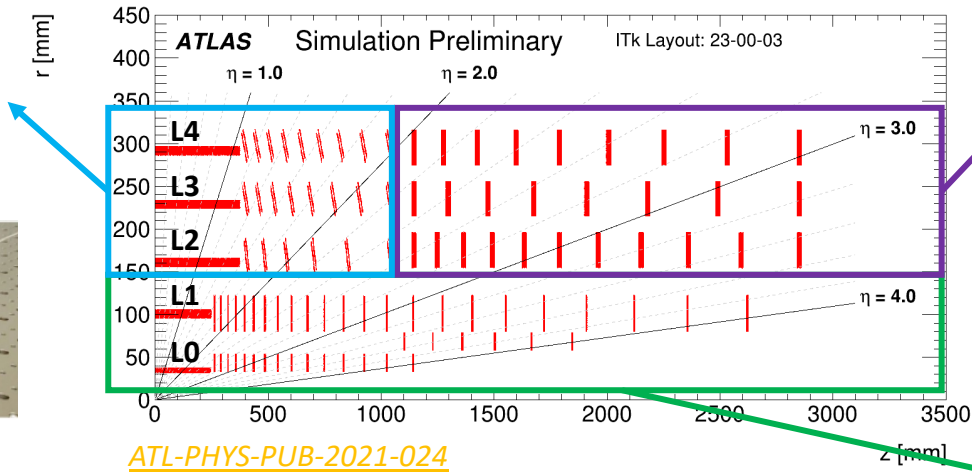
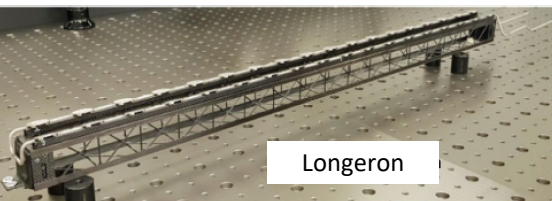


ITk Pixels Detector Overview

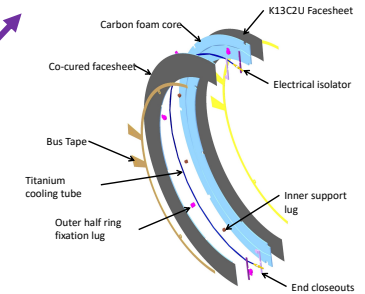
Local supports: Different designs to support flat and inclined module mounting.



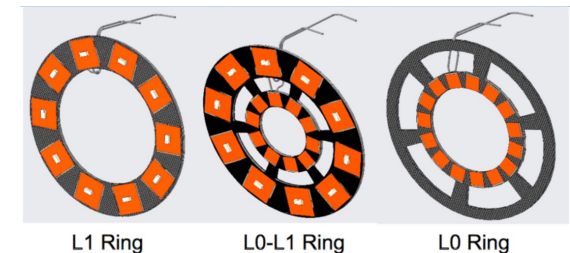
Outer Barrel (OB)



Outer End-Cap (EC)



Inner System (IS)



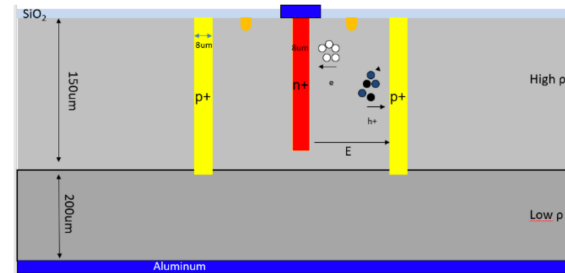
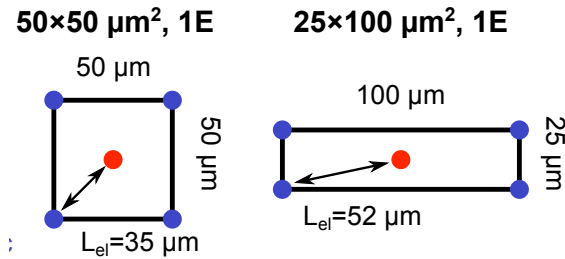
Modules: two main module types, quad & triplet.
(Variations of pixel size and sensor thickness within each type)

Layer	Module type	Sensor type	Sensor thickness [μm]	Pixel size [μm ²]
L0 barrel	Triplet	3D n-in-p	150	25x100
L0 rings	Triplet	3D n-in-p	150	50x50
L1	Quad	Planar n-in-p	100	50x50
L2-4	Quad	Planar n-in-p	150	50x50

IS to be **replaced after 2000fb⁻¹** to reduce radiation damage.
L0 placed **34 mm from beam pipe**.

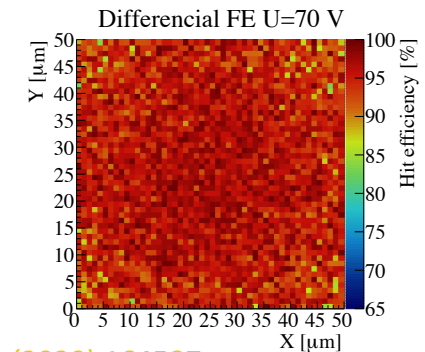
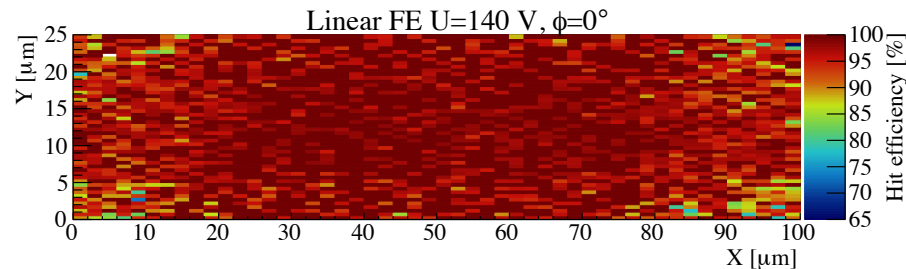
ITk Pixels 3D Sensors

- 3D sensors with **new single-side technology**.
 - Thin** active substrates ($150\text{ }\mu\text{m}$) \rightarrow Reduced cluster size and data rates.
 - Small pixels** \rightarrow Low occupancy, improved impact parameter resolution.



- Efficiency >96-97% at $1.6 \times 10^{16}\text{ n}_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$.**
 - Bias <150V, power < 40 mW/cm² (at -25C).
 - Measured on prototypes. Irradiation of PP sensors starting.

In pre-production

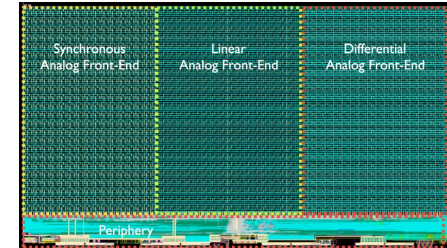


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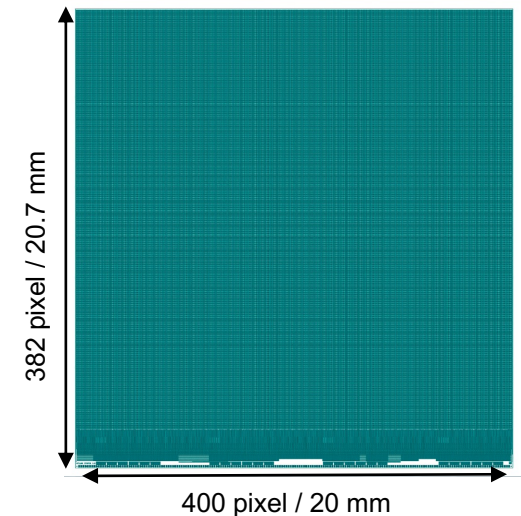
ITk Pixels ASIC

- New Front-end ASIC in **65 nm CMOS technology**.
 - Common ATLAS and CMS R&D.
- **RD53A**: large prototype.
 - Small pixel size: $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$.
 - Three different Analog Front End (FE).
 - Integrated shuntLDO regulators for serial powering.
- Full size chip ITkPixV1/V1.1/V2.
 - Radiation hard above **5 MGy** ($10^{16} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}\text{cm}^{-2}$), SEE hardened.
 - Trigger rate: 1 MHz.
 - High hit rate: $3 \text{ GHz}/\text{cm}^2$.
 - Improved shuntLDO design for serial powering.
 - Data format including compression.
 - Command forwarding.

RD53A prototype



Full size chip **ITkPixV1/V1.1/V2**

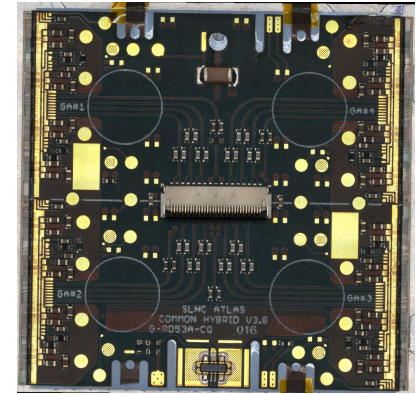


ITkPix V1 in pre-production.
ITkPix V2 submission in June.

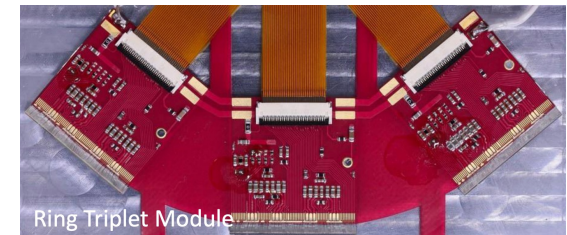
ITk Pixels Modules

- Module = Sensor + ASIC + flex circuit.
 - **Hybridization**: bump bonding of sensor to ASICs.
 - Flex attachment.
 - **Parylene protection** deposition: reinforce bonds, avoid corrosion, prevent discharge between sensor and front-end.
- Quad module: one large single sensor bump bonded to four ASICs.
- Triplet: three single-chip modules connected to one flex.
- More than 200 **RD53A module prototypes** built.
- First prototype modules with ITkPixV1/1.1. becoming available.
- Module pre-production starts Q3-22.
- Module production starts Q3-23.
 - 2 years, 9000 modules, approx. 20 assembly sites.

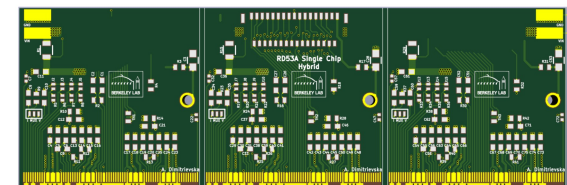
Quad module



Ring triplet module



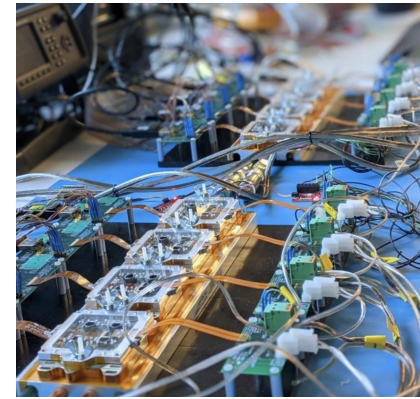
Barrel triplet flex



See poster session: Module development for the ATLAS Phase II Pixel Inner Tracker - Abhishek Sharma

ITk Pixel Demonstrators

- Early programme of pixel system demonstrators with ATLAS IBL FE chip (innermost ID layer) for OB and EC.
- Demonstrators programme now moving to **RD53A modules** → all the subsystems are building loaded supports in view of the pre-production.
- **Serial Power chain tests** with RD53A modules.
 - Quad and irradiated single chip modules.
- **IS rings and staves** partially loaded, testing ongoing.
 - R0/1 ring, 1 side fully loaded, 3 ring triplets, 10 quads.
 - L0 stave, 1 side fully loaded, 1 side partially loaded, 4+4 linear triplets.
 - L1 stave, 1 side fully loaded, 1 side partially loaded, 6+6 linear triplets.

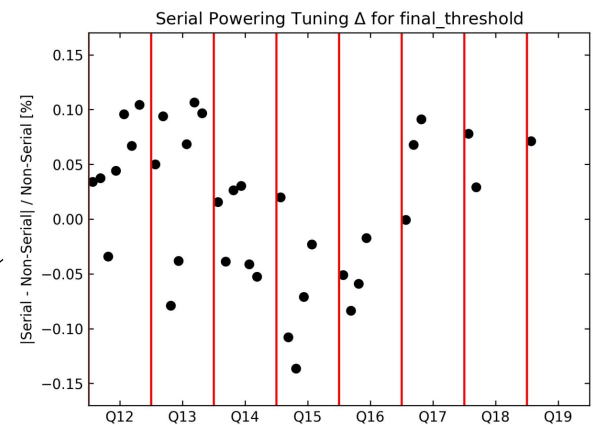


8-module serial power chain



R0/1 demonstrator with RD53A modules

Quad module minimum threshold operation versus powering option



See poster session: ATLAS ITk Pixel demonstrators - Jonathan Thomas Taylor

Conclusion

- A new tracking system is being developed by the ATLAS experiment for the HL-LHC to cope with **increased particle multiplicity and radiation levels**.
- The new all-silicon Inner Tracker (ITk) provides large **acceptance**, a large number of points per track, high **granularity** and **radiation hardness** with minimised material budget.

Strips and pixels detectors have demonstrated the required functionality for tracking is maintained up to end-of-life dose.

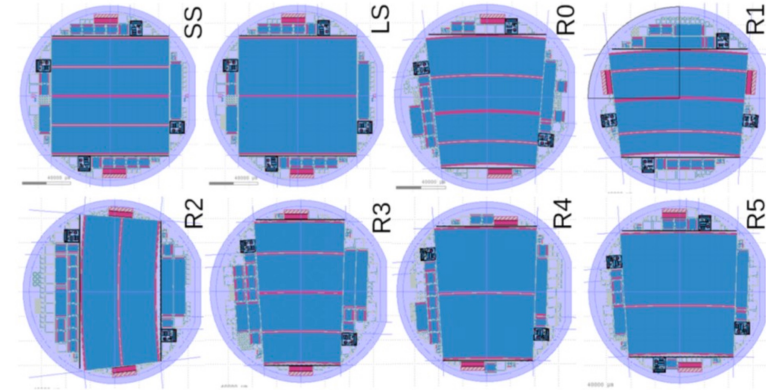
- The Strip system is progressing through pre-production and production has started for several parts (sensors, ASIC, global mechanics).
- The Pixel system is finalising an extensive prototyping phase and has recently started pre-production of some components.

Backup slides

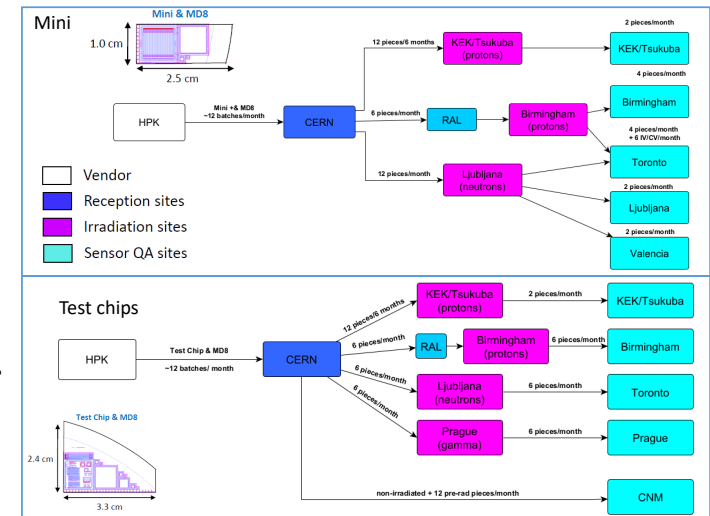
ITk Strips Sensor

- 320 μm thick float zone n-in-p silicon.
- 8 sensor geometries.
 - 2 for the barrel, 75.5 μm strip pitch.
 - 6 for the end-caps, 70 to 80 μm pitch.
 - One sensor/wafer + test structures.
- First production batch delivered August 2021.
 - **17% of production sensors delivered.**
 - 40/114 batches approved so far, 1 rejected after QC/QA.
 - 4 months acceptance testing period.
- Extensive QC on main sensor and QA on test structures.
 - 7 QC and 7 QA testing sites.
 - QA irradiations with neutrons, protons, gamma rays.
 - ~ 500 production QA pieces (108 batches) irradiated and tested.

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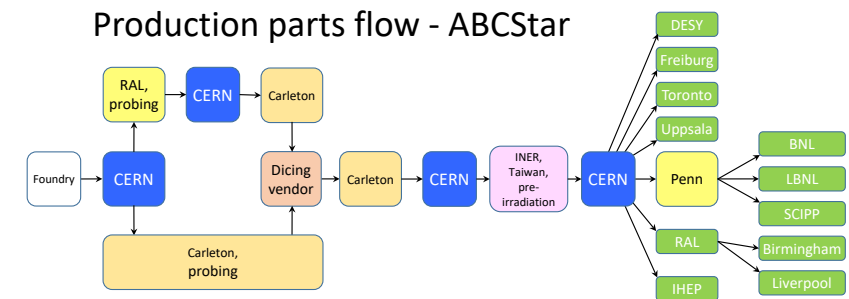
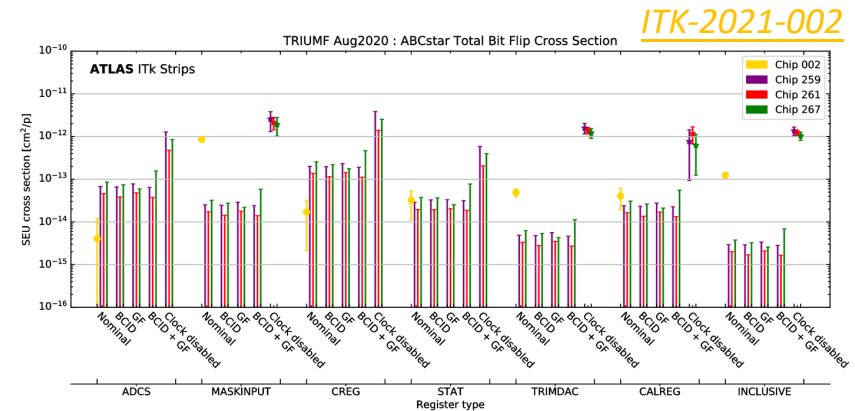
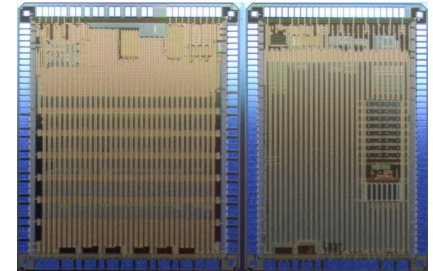
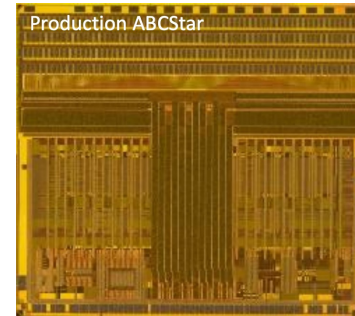


QA test structures distribution for irradiation and testing



ITk Strips ASICs

- Three custom developed ASICs in 130 nm technology.
- Pre-production version of all three ASICs extensively modified to improve SEE protection.
 - Tested in heavy-ions and protons with excellent performance.
 - **Pre-production ABCStar with triplication enabled had no measured Single Event Upset (SEU).**
- ABCStar
 - Wafer probing at two sites, including one industrial partner.
 - **Pre-production completed with yield ~92%**, dicing and distribution to hybrid assembly sites ongoing.
 - **Production started**, received ~30% of first batch.
- HCCStar/AMAC
 - Produced on same wafers, one probing site.
 - Pre-production delivered, **yield well above 90%**.
 - PRR in June, production to start Q3-2022.



(Carleton runs probing at their industrial partner, DA-Integrated, who sub-contract the dicing)

ITk Pixels Planar Sensors

- Thin n-in-p planar n-in-p sensors technology (single-side process) with $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ pixel cells.
 - $150 \mu\text{m}$ for the outer layers, $100 \mu\text{m}$ for the Layer-1 (more rad-hard).
- Different testing solution employed.
 - Punch through (PT).
 - Bias rail and bias resistor (BR).
 - Temporary Metal (TM).
- Performance required.
 - Hit efficiency $>98\%$.
 - Bias voltage at $5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ up to:
 - 600 V for $150 \mu\text{m}$ active thickness.
 - 400 V for $100 \mu\text{m}$ active thickness.
- Pre-production ongoing for both thicknesses.

