# Validation of the CMS Barrel Timing Layer and searches for HH $\rightarrow$ bb $\tau\tau$

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# Precision timing in CMS for High Luminosity LHC



- CMS is undergoing major upgrades to withstand such harsh conditions:
  - MIP Timing Detector will enable the measurement of the time of arrival of charged particles

• New High Luminosity phase of LHC

$$\rightarrow$$
  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ultimate}}$  up to ~ 7 x 10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

- $\Rightarrow$  higher vertex density (up to x5) will lead to increases in:
- O Radiation damage
- O Pileup



## MTD design

Thin and hermetic detector ( $|\eta|$ <3) between the tracker and the calorimeter with different specifications contingent on radiation dose

 $\rightarrow$  employing diverse technologies to equip the barrel and the endcap areas of CMS:

- Endcap Timing Layer (ETL): modules of Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (LGADs)
- **Barrel Timing Layer** (BTL): arrays of LYSO crystal bars readout at both ends by SiPMs



## **BTL** sensors

### LYSO:Ce crystal

- large LY, fast scintillation rise time (<100 ps), short decay time (~40 ns)
- bar-like geometry:  $3 \times 3 \times 52 \text{ mm}^3$

### SiPM

- fast timing properties, magnetic field tolerant, compact and robust
- 15 µm cell size (initial design)

### Module

- array of 16 crystal bars coupled to a pair of SiPMs through optical glue
- modules will be exposed to an accumulated radiation levels of 50 kGy of ionizing dose and a neutron fluence of  $2 \times 10^{14} n_{eq}/cm^2$ 
  - O No other large area experiment has ever used SiPMs in such a harsh radiation environment





### BTL performance

 $\sigma_{t}^{BTL} = \sigma_{t}^{clock} \oplus \sigma_{t}^{digi} \oplus \sigma_{t}^{ele} \oplus \sigma_{t}^{phot} \oplus \sigma_{t}^{DCR}$ 



# Tackling Hi-Lumi challenges in BTL

#### Decreasing dark count rate

• *Thermo-Electric Coolers integration* on the SiPM packaging: lower operational temperature and higher annealing temperature

#### Reducing electronic noise contribution

• *SiPMs with a larger cell size*: increase in gain and PDE, faster rise time

#### Increase number of photoelectrons produced

• Increasing module thickness: increase in energy deposit (~25%)





 $\rightarrow$  intense laboratory and test beam measurements focused on the validation of these studies

### Larger cell size SiPMs

- Modules with larger cell sizes confirmed to achieve the best performance
  - O Good agreement between test beam and laboratory measurements
- Some SiPM arrays irradiated to the total radiation level expected at the end of HL-LHC operation (2 x  $10^{14}$  n<sub>ed</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>)
  - O assembled with LYSO arrays into sensor modules and tested at various temperatures to emulate different points of HL-LHC lifetime in terms of DCR
- Time resolution of ~ 65 ps achieved with both modules, within the available power budget



# Thickening

- Non-irradiated SiPMs with a cell size of 25  $\mu$ m were coupled to LYSO arrays
  - Significant enhancement in time resolution observed from type 3 to type 1
- When subjected to irradiation, SiPMs with larger active area exhibit high DCR and increased power consumption  $\rightarrow$  crucial to evaluate irradiated modules with different thicknesses
- Both T1 and T3 SiPMs, featuring a 25  $\mu\text{m}$  cell size, underwent irradiation to half of the total radiation level (1 x 10^{14} n\_{eq}/cm^2)
  - Enhanced performance of the thickest modules was validated also in the case of irradiated SiPMs



### Validation

- BTL prototyping phase now concluded
- Innovations in sensors design:

**TECs integration**: reduced DCR  $\rightarrow$  improved performance

 $\square$  25 µm cell size SiPM: improved performance compared to 15 µm

Thickest module: better timing performance both at BoO and EoO

 Performance of the final prototypes aligned with the design target





### Towards the assembly

Prototyping phase concluded, ready for production!

- *4 BTL Assembly Centers* (Milano-Bicocca, Caltech, U. Virginia and Peking U.)
- *Common tools* for module assembly (e.g. gluing tools and tester boards) are being finalized
- 2 trays/month production and testing @ each BAC, then shipment to CERN
- Tray integration @ Tracker Integration Facility + tray test
- *Final installation* in the BTL Tracker Support Tube by Summer *2025*







## Impact of MTD on the CMS physics

- Reduced number of tracks from PU vertices that are incorrectly associated with the PV
  - O Improved reconstruction performance of ~ all physics objects and, thus, significance of some benchmark cases such as Higgs boson self coupling
  - O Since timing information not available until HL-LHC, now focusing on analysis of Run 2 data

35  ps BTL, 35  ps ETL						
Channel	No MTD	ETL Only	BTL Only	MTD		
bbbb	0.88	0.90	0.93	0.95		
bb au au	1.30	1.38	1.52	1.60		
$bb\gamma\gamma$	1.70	1.75	1.85	1.90		
Combined	2.31	2.40	2.57	2.66		

50 ps BTL, 50 ps ETLNo MTD ETL Only BTL Only Channel MTD bbbb 0.880.900.930.951.50 $bb\tau\tau$ 1.301.361.441.80 $bb\gamma\gamma$ 1.701.721.78Combined 2.312.372.472.53

70  ps BTL, 35  ps ETL						
Channel	No MTD	ETL Only	BTL Only	MTD		
bbbb	0.88	0.90	0.92	0.94		
bb au au	1.30	1.38	1.36	1.44		
$bb\gamma\gamma$	1.70	1.75	1.76	1.81		
Combined	2.31	2.40	2.41	2.51		



CMS Preliminary

signal

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### Preliminary studies on jet mass correction

- Traditional analysis reconstructed the jet mass through Soft Drop declustering
  - O which recursively removes soft wide-angle radiation from a jet
- Exploiting the jet mass correction, we achieve **improved precision** in terms of both **resolution** and **mass** values
  - O This allows both for a background reduction since we will be asking  $m(jet) \sim m_H$  and, in perspective, an improved reconstruction of the mass resonance



### Next step

- <u>MTD:</u>
  - O Final design validated
  - O Procedures for assembly and quality control are now being finalized
    - Ready for assembly



### • <u>HH:</u>

- O ParticleNet information (already available in MiniAOD) now included in the production of big-ntuples
- O I am currently assessing the potential increase in significance by incorporating ParticleNet for b-tagging
- O Perspectives for Run 3, contributing to:
  - Inclusion of ParticleNet information for tau leptons tagging in NanoAOD
  - Development of a new framework

