

ATLAS ITk Pixel Detector Overview

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High Luminosity LHC upgrade

- LHC and LHC experiments are currently running in Run 3
- HL-LHC period will start in 2029 and is supposed to accumulate $\int L dt \approx 4000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



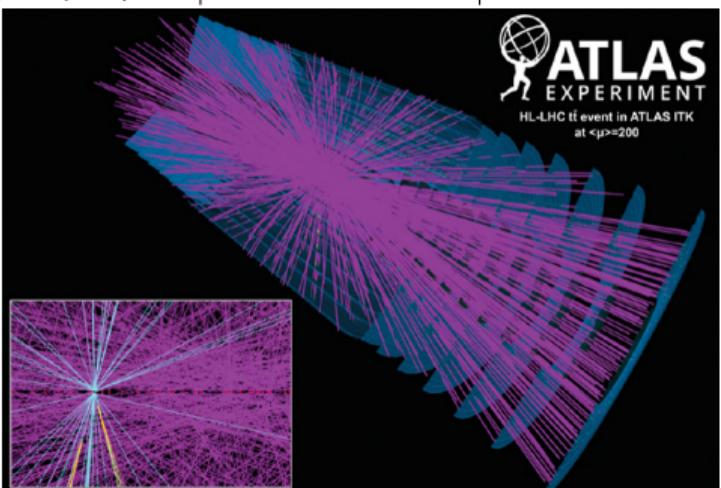
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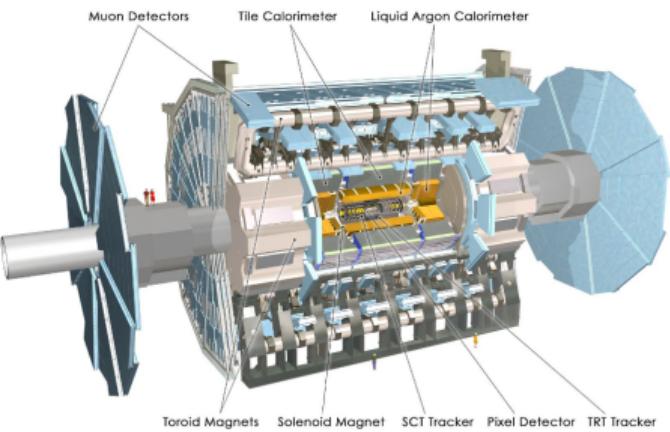
Upgrade to enhance physics reach: higher luminosity (L) and energy (E) → HL-LHC

	LHC	HL-LHC (2026)
E	7 - 13.6 TeV	14 TeV
L	$2 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$	$7.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
pile-up $\langle \mu \rangle$	≈ 50	≈ 200



<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/UpgradeEventDisplays>

Present Inner Detector pixel technology cannot cope with HL-LHC challenges

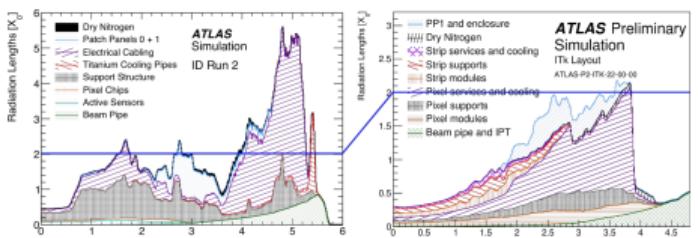
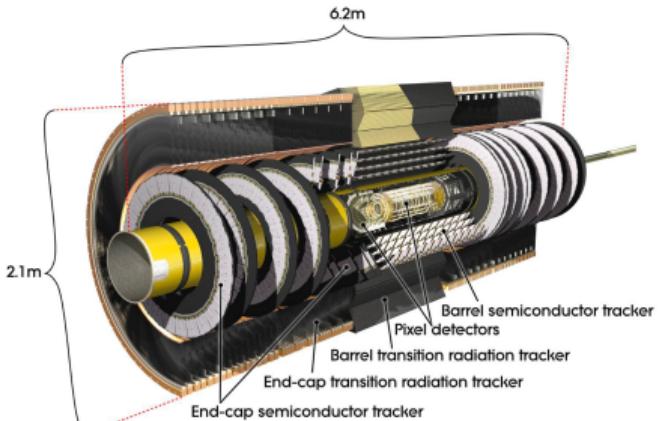


⇒ Replacement of detectors of the experiments to

- have higher granularity
- have higher bandwidth
- be 4 – 10× radiation harder

Tracker Upgrade

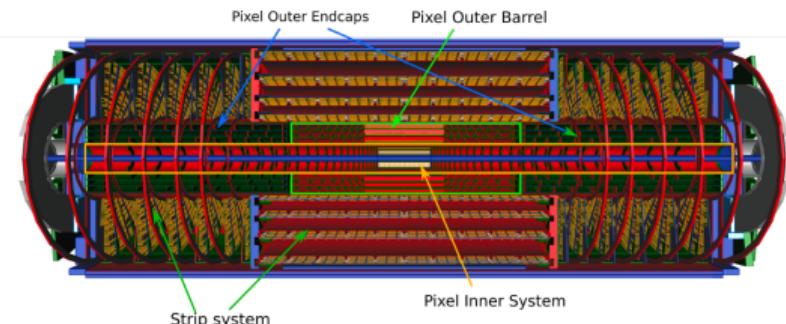
Upgrade of current ATLAS Inner Detector



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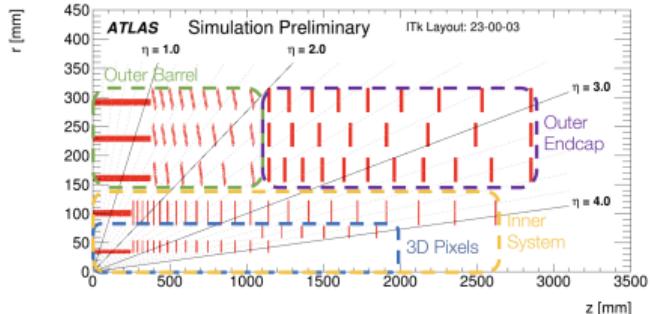
to all-silicon Inner Tracker (ITk) ATL-PHYS-PUB-2021-024



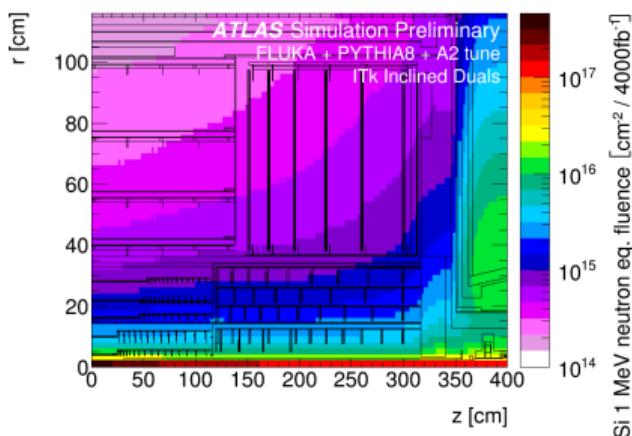
	ID Pixel	ITk Pixel
# pixels	92 M	1.4 G
# modules	≈ 2000	≈ 19400
Active area	1.9 m^2	13 m^2
η	2.5	4.0

- Increased granularity to maintain occupancy < 1%
- Low mass mechanics, cooling and serial powering
- Increased radiation hardness up to $2 \times 10^{16} \text{ n/cm}^{-2}$

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ATLAS Public Radiation Simulation
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- Outer Barrel:

- 3 layers of flat staves and inclined rings
- n-in-p planar quad modules, 6.94 m^2 active area
- $2.3 \times 10^{15} \text{ n/cm}^{-2}$, 1.7 MGy @ 4000 fb^{-1}

- Outer End Cap

- 3 layers of rings
- n-in-p planar quad modules, 3.64 m^2 active area
- $3.1 \times 10^{15} \text{ n/cm}^{-2}$, 3.5 MGy @ 4000 fb^{-1}

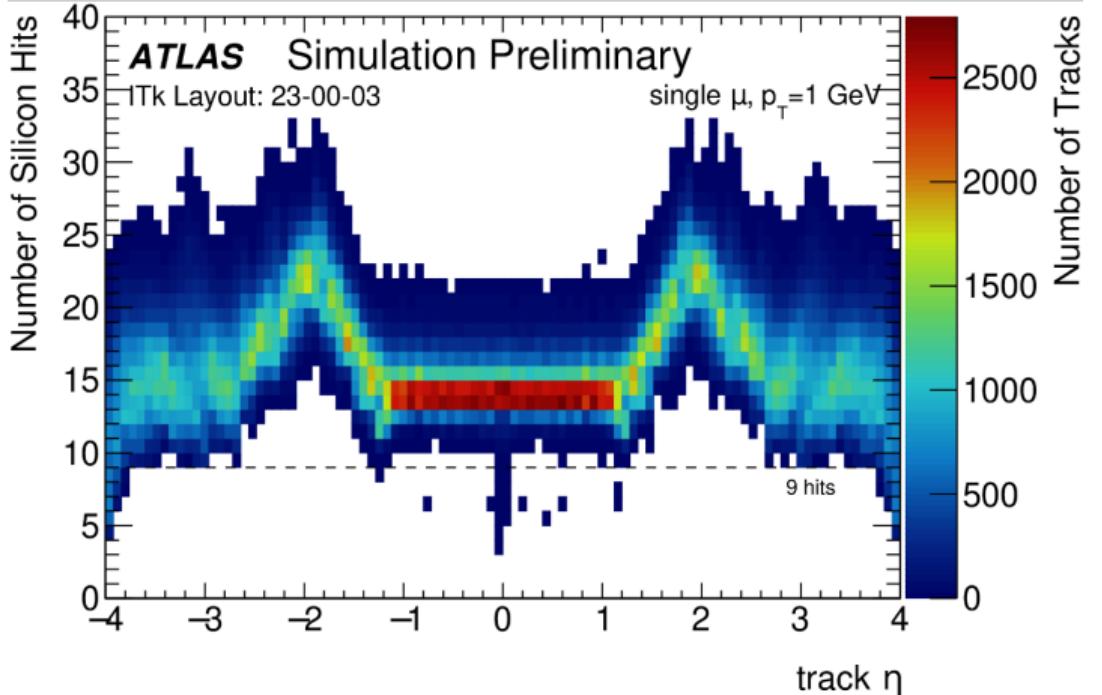
→ in total 7116 modules with $150 \mu\text{m}$ sensor and ASIC

- Inner System (Replacable)

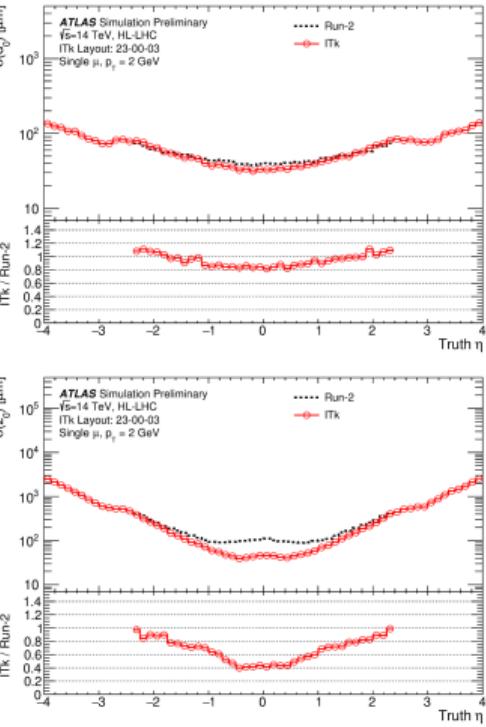
- 2 layers of flat staves and rings
- L0: 3D single modules
- and L1: n-in-p thin planar quad modules
- 2600 modules, 2.4 m^2 active area
- $9.2 \times 10^{15} \text{ n/cm}^{-2}$, 7.3 MGy @ 2000 fb^{-1}

ATLAS ITk Pixel Detector Performance

There will be at least nine hits per track



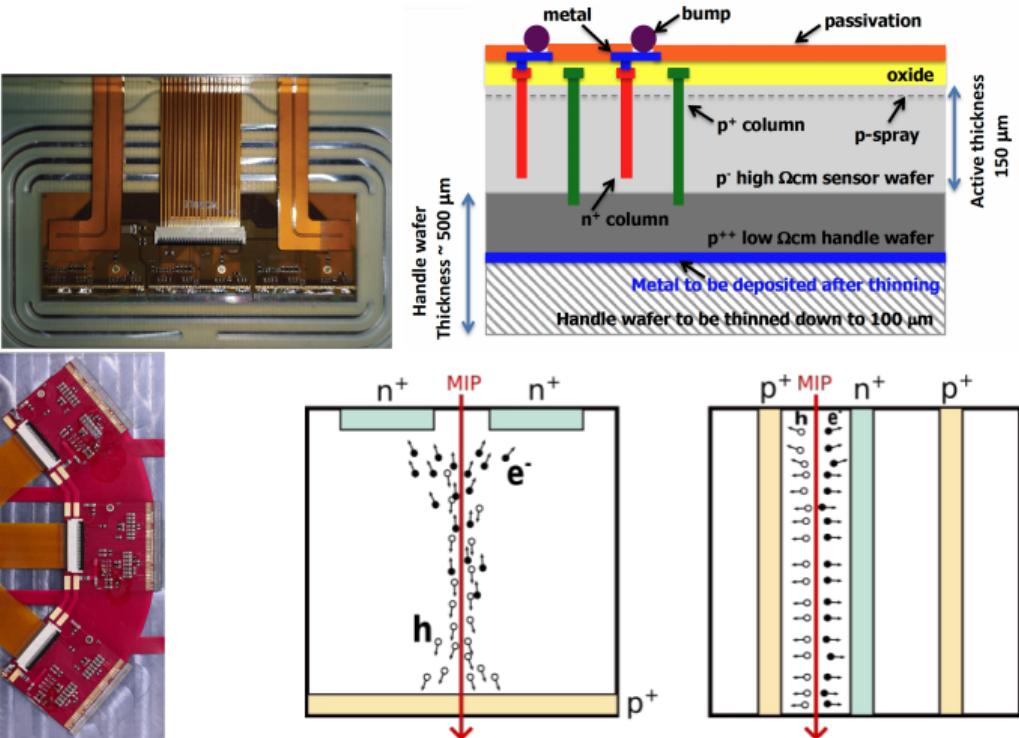
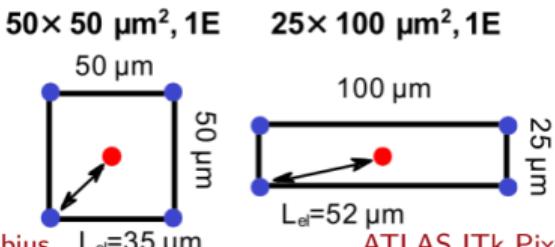
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ITk Pixel 3D Sensors

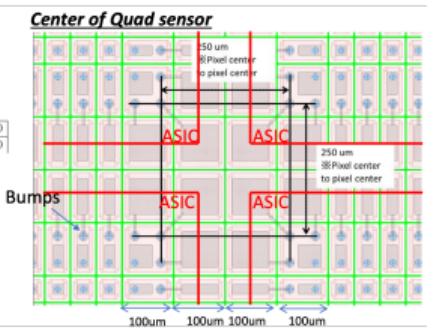
- 3D sensors are used in L0 (FBK, SINTEF, CNM)
- 150 μm thickness
- Radiation hard to $\approx 10^{16} \text{n/cm}^{-2}$
- Operating voltage < 250 V
- > 97 % hit efficiency at end of life
- $25 \times 100 \mu\text{m}^2$ pixel size in L0 barrel,
 $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ pixel size for L0 rings

See dedicated talk of Martina Ressegotti tomorrow at 5:15 pm

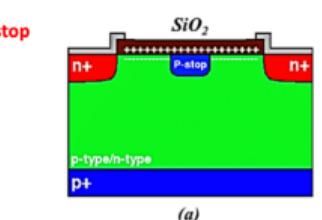


ITk Pixel Planar Sensors

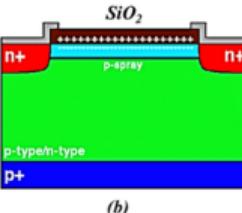
- Thin planar sensors in L1 (100 µm thickness)
 - Thick planar sensors in L2-L4 (150 µm thickness)
 - Radiation hard to $\approx 3.1 \times 10^{15} \text{ n/cm}^{-2}$
 - Dies of $4 \times 4 \text{ cm}^2$ for quad modules
 - Bias voltage up to 600 V (at end of life)
 - > 97 % hit efficiency at end of life
 - $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ pixel size
 - Various design details left up to vendor:
 - p-stop vs p-spray insulation
 - Polysilicon bias or punch-through
 - Guard-ring geometry
- ⇒ Requirements defined on performance



P-stop



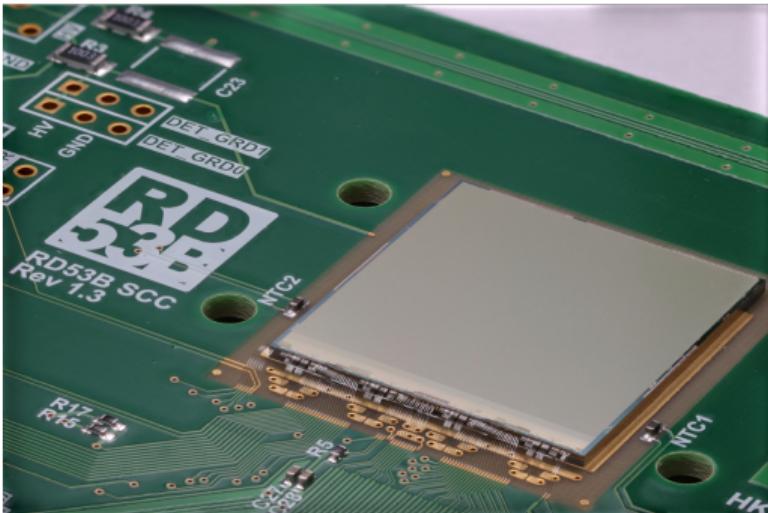
P-spray



FE-chip ITkPixV2

All pixels read out with same ASIC ITkPix (ATLAS flavour of common RD53 ATLAS-CMS ASIC):

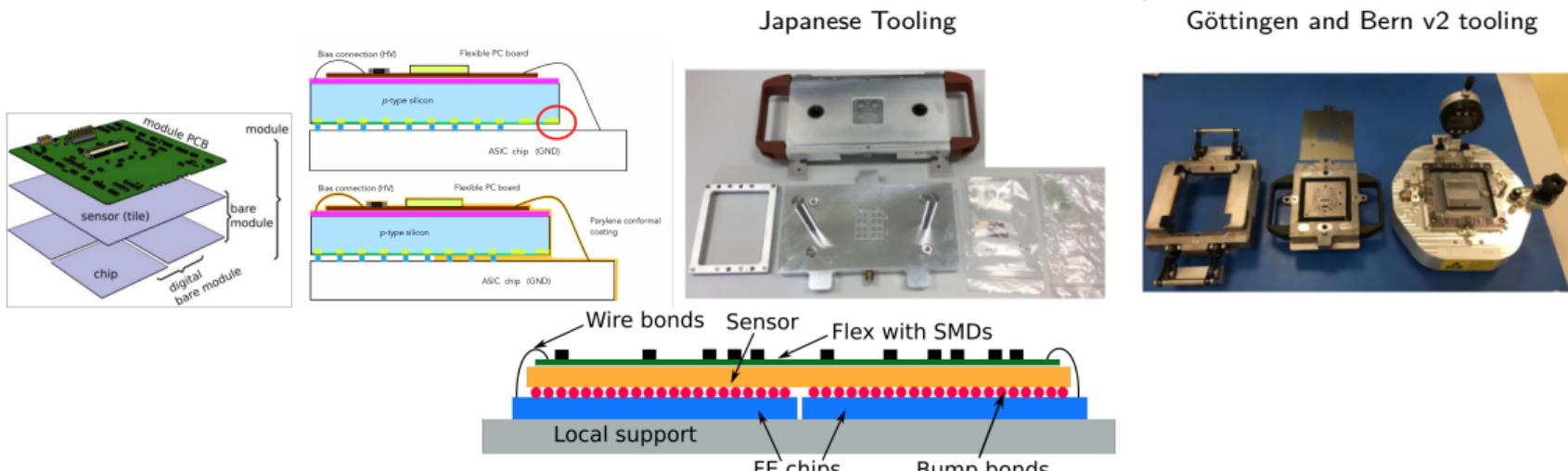
- 152800 pixels per chip (384 rows, 400 columns)
- 65 nm technology, $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$, total area $2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$
- Power: 0.56 W/cm^2
- 4 data links per chip at 1.28 Gbps
- Threshold: 1000 e, noise: 40 e
- Digital readout with Time over Threshold = ToT
- Column readout, data encoding
- Shunt Low Drop Output regulators ($I = \text{const.}$)
- 40 MHz clock with 780 ps phase adjustment
- Data merging: FE readout via another FE



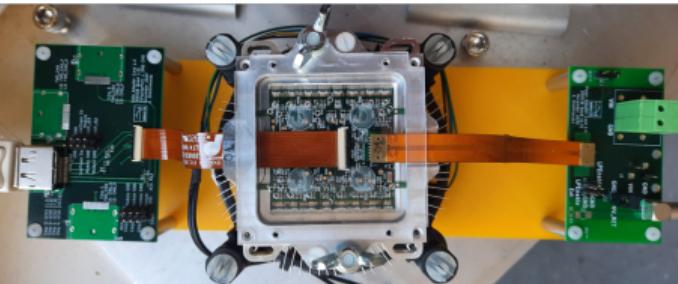
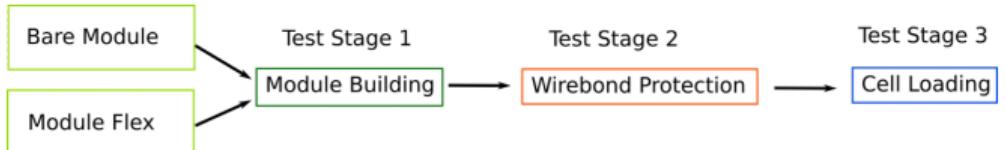
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Modules

- Hybridisation → low pitch bump bonding $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$
- Wire bond protection by CFRP roof and HV protection with Parylene coating
- Module assembly (gluing of flex PCB to bare module) with $100 \mu\text{m}$ precision, using stencil + precision tools, curing of glue (Araldite) at room temperature
- Large temperature range: operating at -25°C to -10°C , warmed up to 20°C during maintenance → thin metal flex circuit to avoid delamination of bumps



Module Electrical Testing



QC process for all modules to catch low quality modules:

- x-ray images of flip-chip assemblies
- Sensor IV at several stages: on wafer, after flip-chip, after assembly, after thermal cycles
- Electrical tests and disconnected bump tests: as assembled (weak bonds), after thermal cycles (defects induced by thermal stress (delamination))
- Cold test at operating temperature (-15°C)
- Burn-in for 48 h at room temperature (20°C) on module: look for sensor and chip early failure

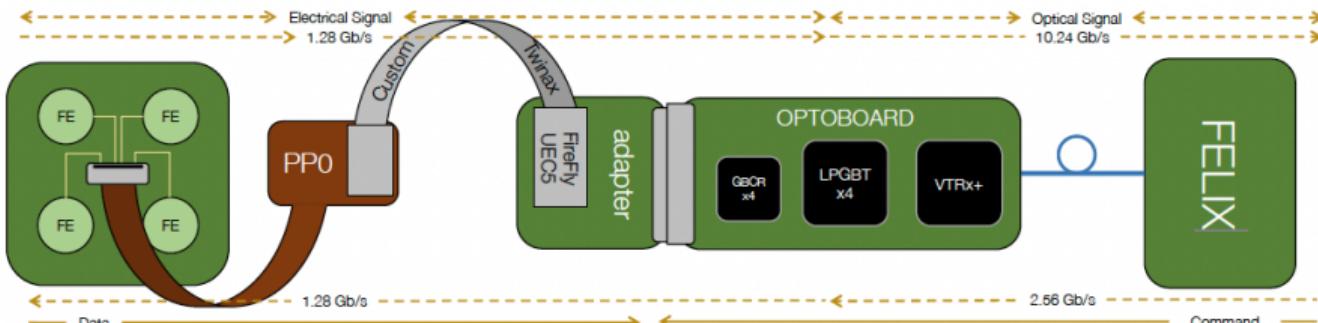
⇒ 3 categories of tests:

- Test of module quality;
- Check that module still functional after process step
- Module characterization and final working point setup

Data Transmission

- Readout of FE-chip at 1.28 Gbps with up to 4 links per chip depending on position in system
- Uplink sharing on module used on all layers to reduce material, sharing of downlinks
- Up to 6 data links per IpGBT from 1-6 modules sharing one 10.24 Gbps fibre, downlink 2.56 Gbps per IpGBT
- Custom low-mass 34AWG twinax cable for transmission from detector to optoboxes, up to 6 m
- Losses below 20 dB from FE-chip to GBCR including connectors, flexes and cable
- Signal recovered on Optoboard in Optobox by GBCR
- Aggregation of electrical signals and electro-optical conversion by IpGBTx and VTRx+
- Optical fibres to readout PCs with FELIX boards

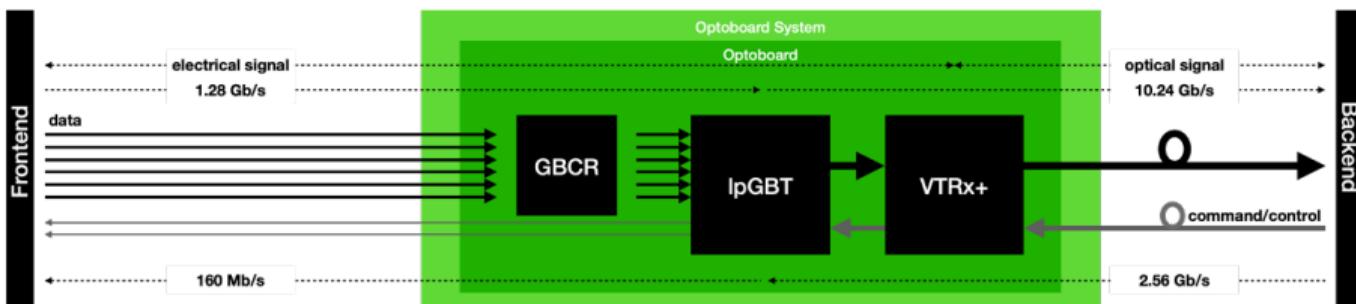
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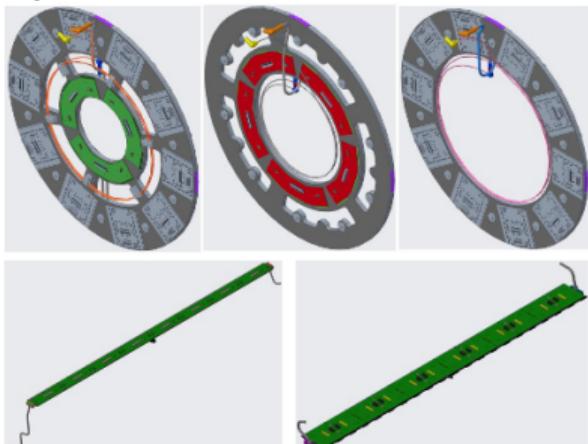
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Loaded Local supports

- Local support prototypes with carbon fibre and carbon foam to minimize mass and maximize thermal performance
- Different geometries dependent on the layers and regions of the pixel detectors:
 - Inner system: two layers of staves and double-sided rings in the endcaps
 - Outer Barrel: three layers of longerons and inclined half-rings
 - Outer Endcap: three layers of endcap rings composed by 2 half-rings (HR)

Inner System



Outer Barrel

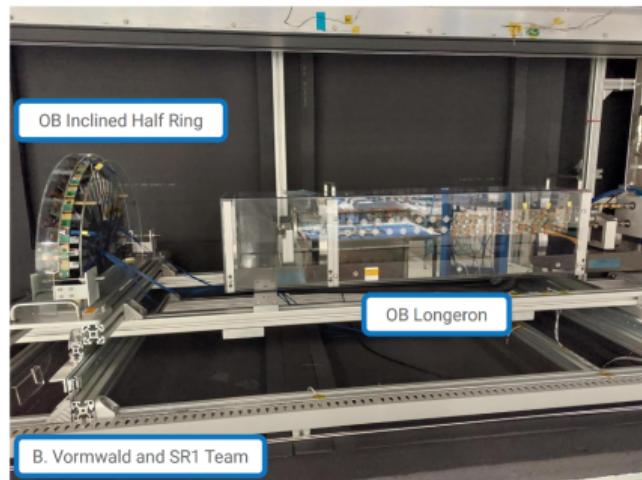
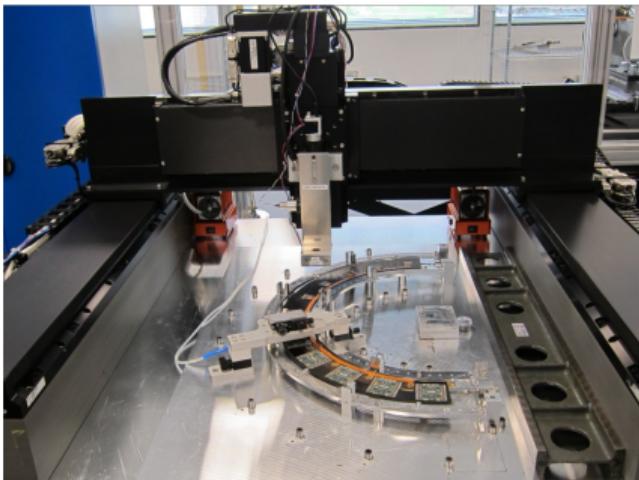


Outer Endcap

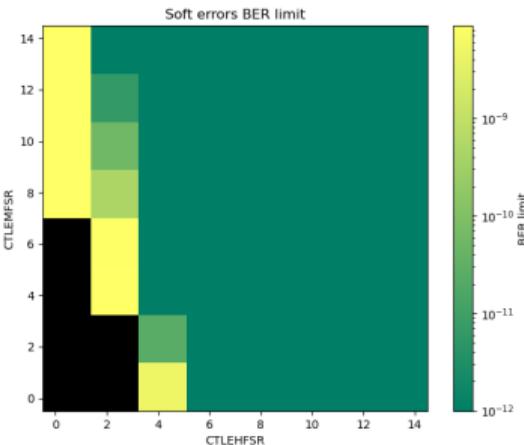
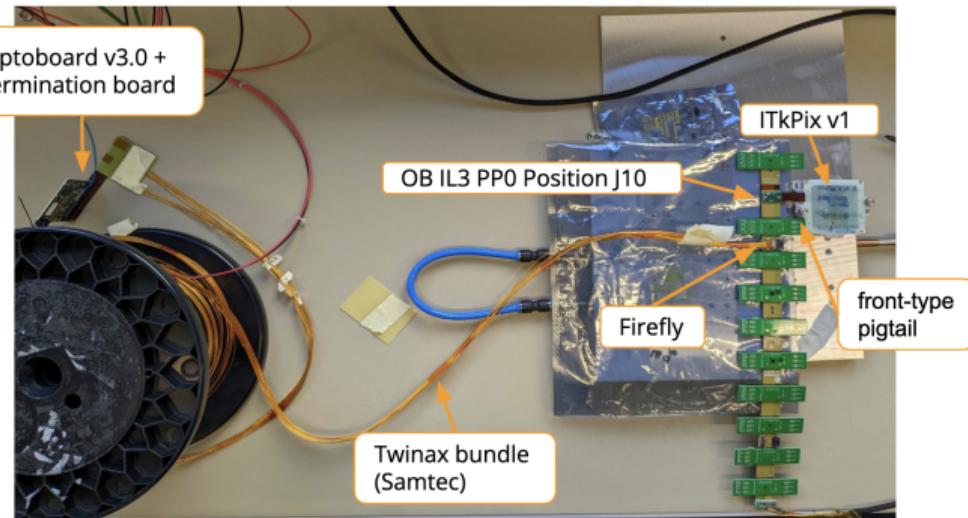


System Test Setups

- Multiple System Test Setups at different institutes
- Loaded Local support tests: 5 OB sites, 4 EC sites, 1 IS site
- Each site gets one loaded local support and an Optobox with up to 4 Optoboard
- Currently demonstrator setups in use



Outer Barrel IL3 PP0 - Setup at Bern



BER tests with 95% CL BER limit $< 10^{-12}$ for varying GBCR equaliser settings, using 64b/66b ITkPix idle signal

- Almost final Optoboard and ITkPix pre-production module
- Manually assembled 6 m long twinax bundle (10 cables) with off the shelf connector (firefly) and termination board

Conclusions

- ITk will have increased acceptance up to $\eta \approx 4$ and more than 9 hits per track with high granularity and radiation hardness
- ITk Pixel project is now moving into production and pre-production
- Production of ≈ 9000 modules will start this year (over 2 years in 20 assembly sites)

Next steps:

- Qualify 20-25 sites for production ongoing
- Set up and commission the system tests at local support level
- Integration at CERN of all subsystems
- Demonstrate to be able to produce on time all the required modules
- Demonstrate to be able to correctly place on local supports, connect and test
- Create a culture of consistent quality check in a distributed production model

Thank you for your attention.