

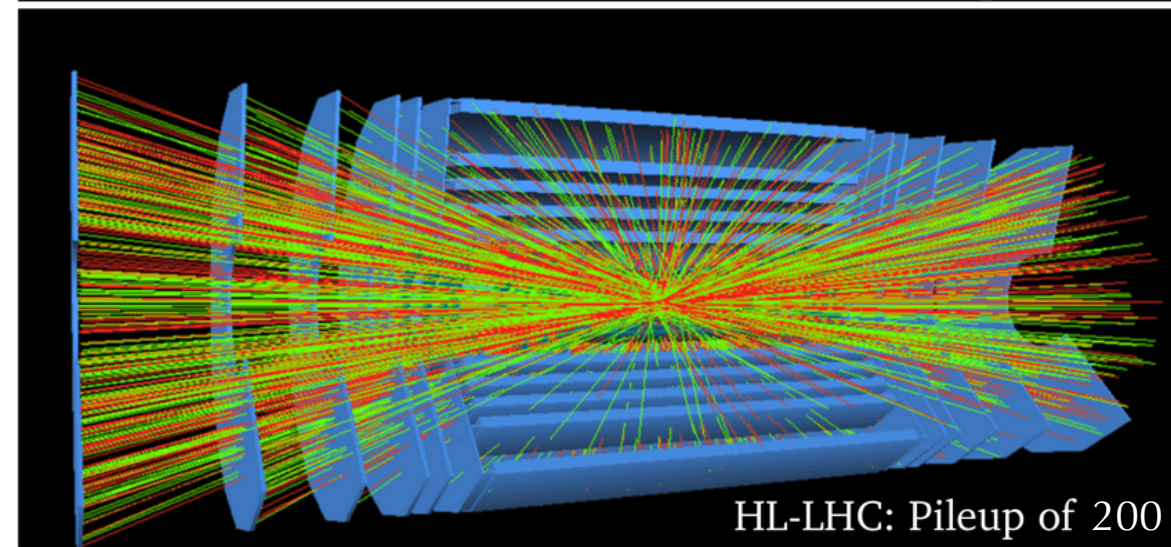
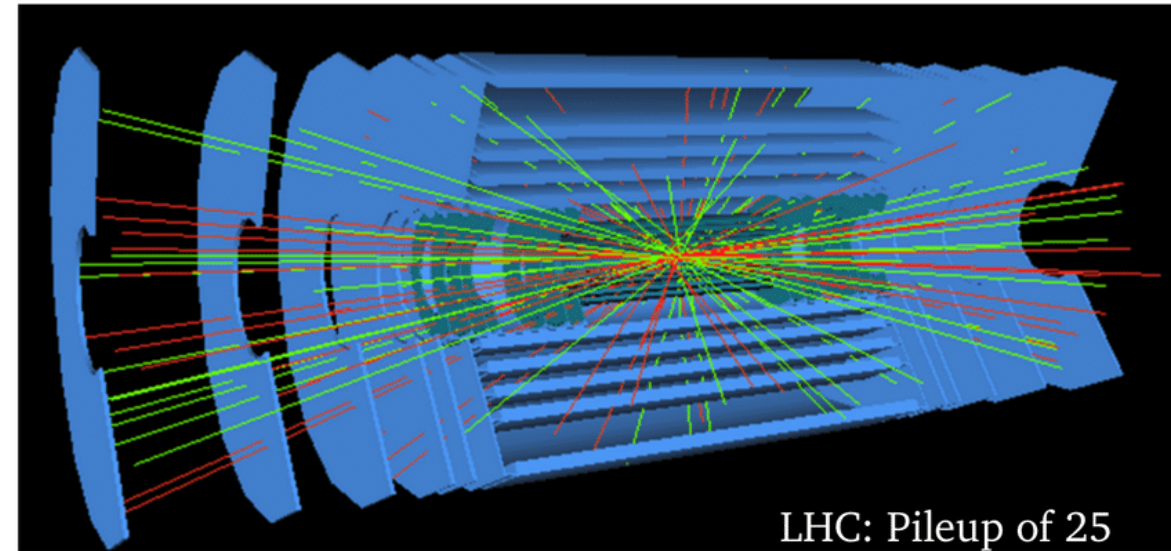
The ATLAS High-Granularity Timing Detector: *test beam campaigns and results*

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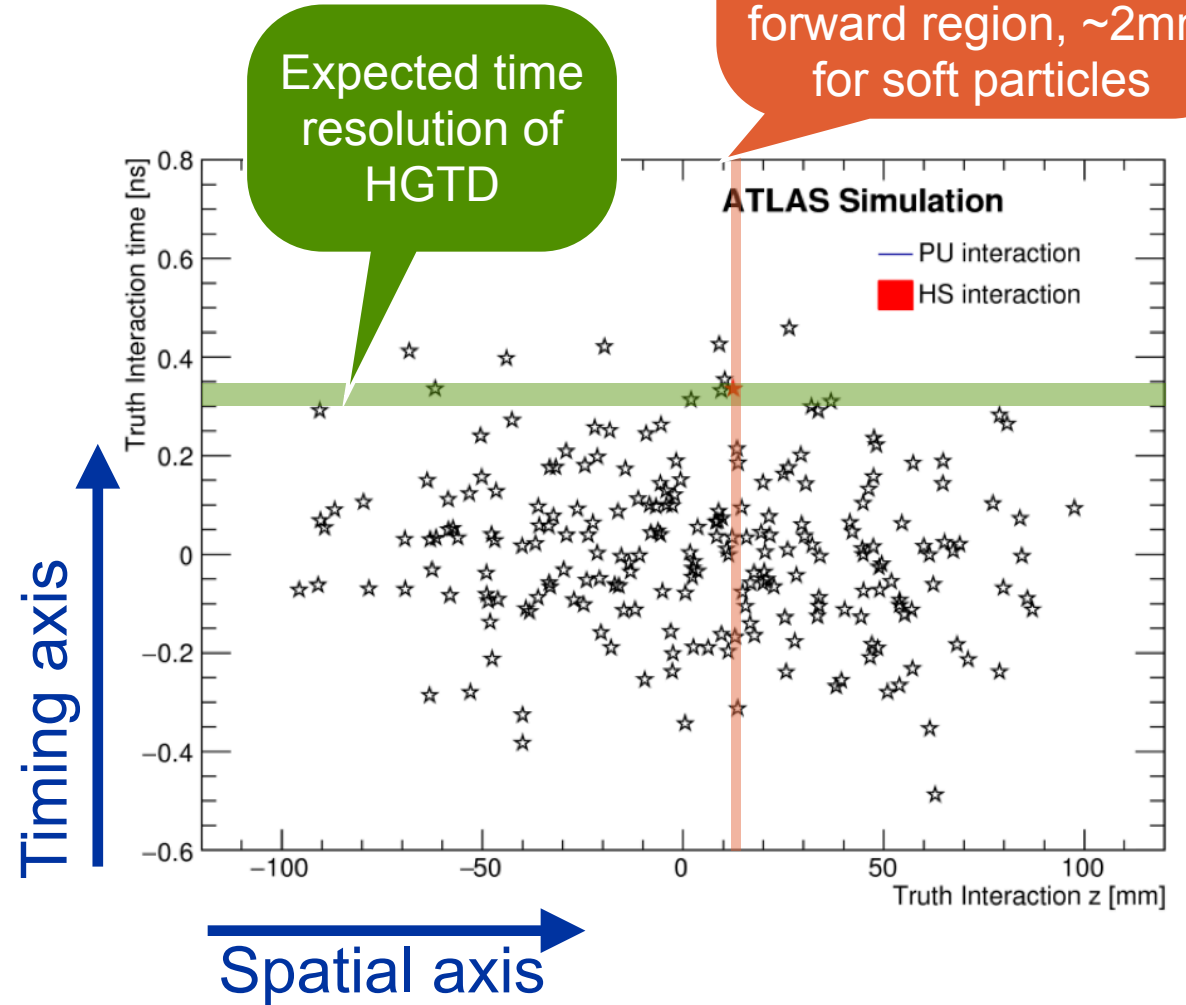
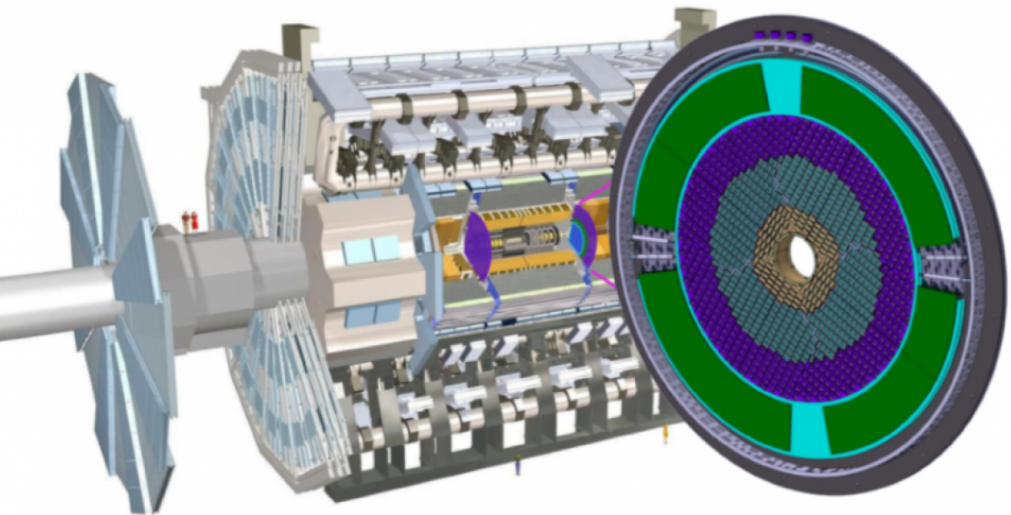
The HL-LHC: challenges and opportunities

- From ~2029, LHC will operate in "high luminosity" mode
- Collisions will occur with **~5x higher intensity than at present**
- This will allow us to collect **~x10 more data than Run3** in the long term...
- But with **~10x more interactions per proton bunch crossing**
- *Pileup* of ~200 vertices per interaction !
- Track reconstruction: complexity increases **exponentially or worse with pileup**
- How can ATLAS do physics in these conditions?



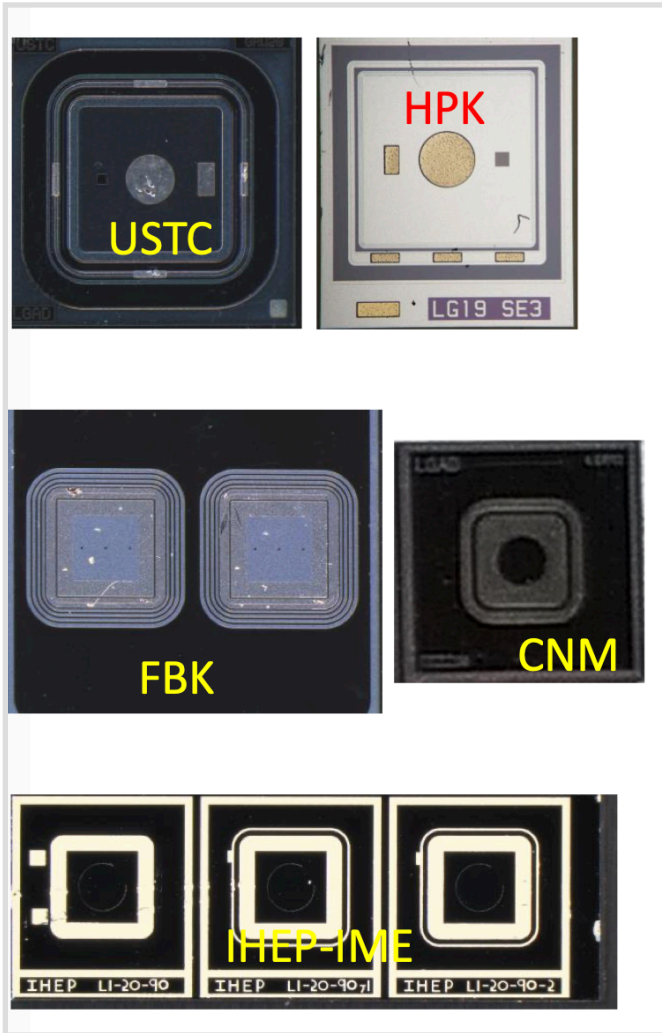
Exploiting the 4th dimension: time

- Additional vertices resolved using **timing information!**
- Solution: a new sub-detector with extremely precise time resolution
- Enter the High-Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD): **resolution ~40ps!**



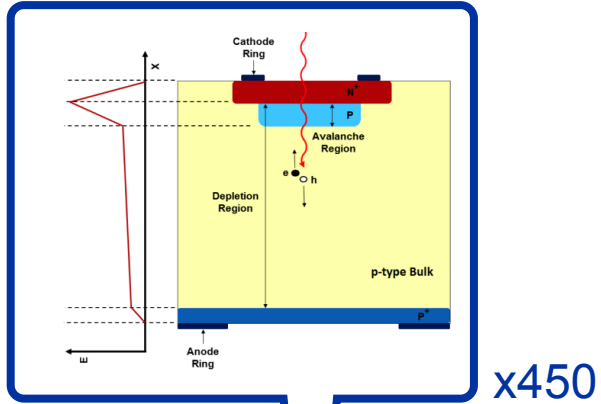
Using both spatial and timing information, will be able to **unambiguously associate tracks to vertices** in the forward region

Exploiting new technologies for HGTD

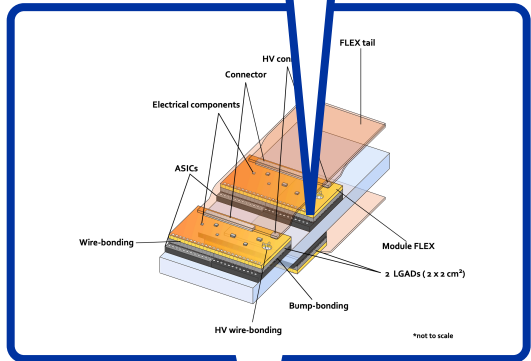


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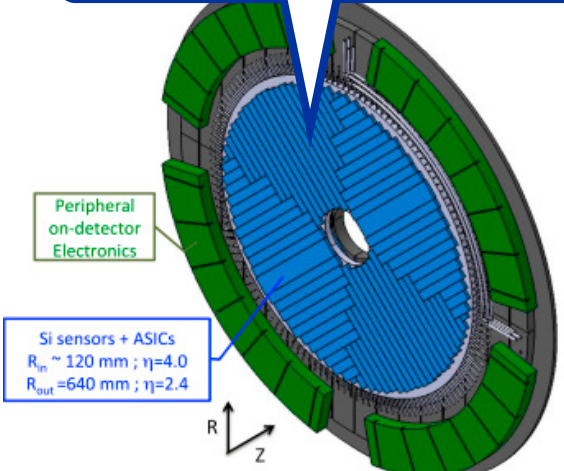


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- **ALTIROC:** readout using ASIC integrated circuits
 - ASIC time resolution ~25ps, minimum threshold 2fC
 - Reading $15 \times 15 = 225$ LGAD channels
 - 2 ASICs + 2 LGAD arrays = 1 module
 - HGTD = 2 x ~4000 modules
 - HGTD design constrained by available space

Impact on pileup rejections, track/jet reconstruction, b-tagging... critical to success of ATLAS programme



Si sensors + ASICs
 $R_{\text{in}} \sim 120 \text{ mm}$; $\eta = 4.0$
 $R_{\text{out}} = 640 \text{ mm}$; $\eta = 2.4$

Peripheral on-detector Electronics

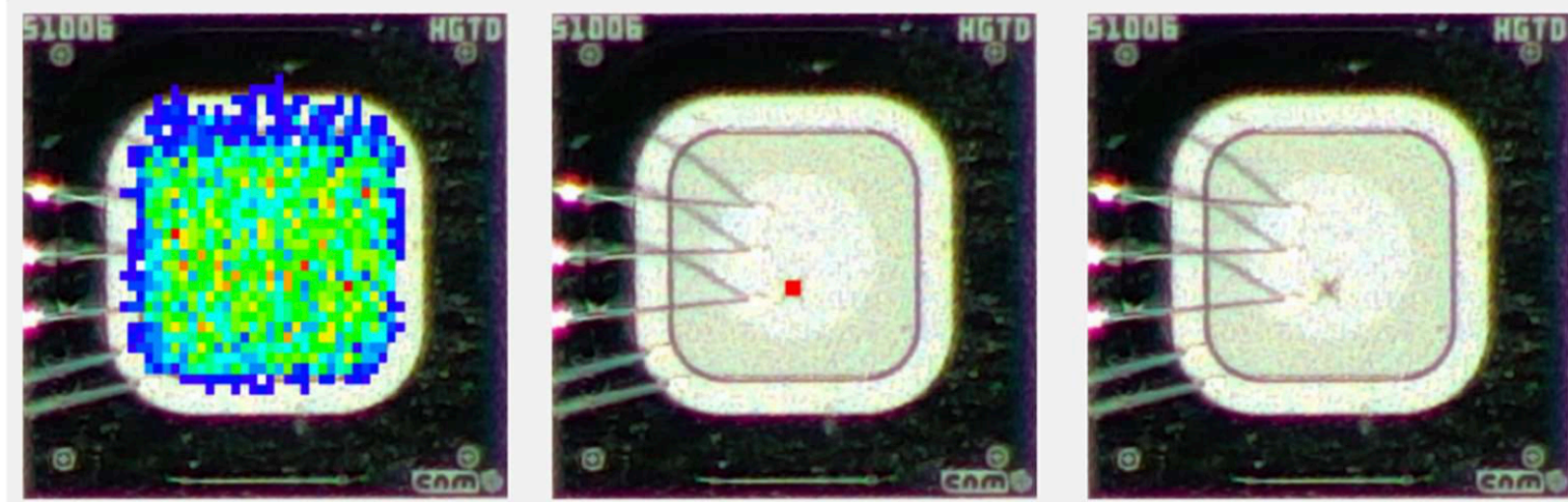
HGTD milestones and testbeam objectives

- In past year, the main objectives of the HGTD testbeam campaigns have been to work towards our **sensor Final Design Review** (FDR)
- In other words, two main objectives:
 - **Qualify sensor performance** (timing resolution, efficiency, collected charge) from different manufacturers
 - Determine **safe bias voltages** to avoid "single event burnout" (SEB) (see next slide)
- Objectives reached over **4 testbeam campaigns** in 2021 and early 2022:
 - SEB studies at **DESY in June 2021** and **SPS in November 2021 (no telescope)**
 - SEB + performance studies at **SPS in July-Nov 2021 using MALTA telescope**
 - Sensor performance studies at **DESY in March 2022 using DATURA telescope**

SEB: what is it and why do we care?

- **"Single Event Burnout"**
destructive breakdown of irradiated LGAD at high voltages, seen by CMS/ATLAS/RD50 teams
- Usually triggered by single particle: visual **"crater"** on device, and complete **irrecoverable failure**

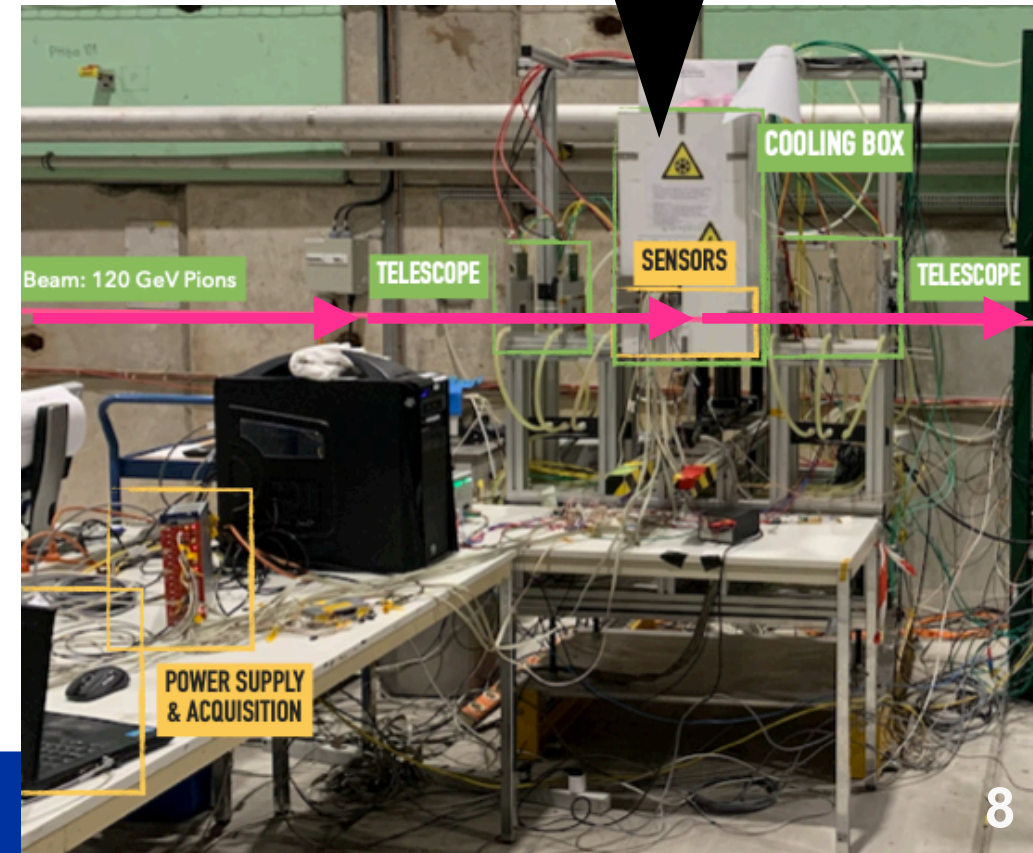
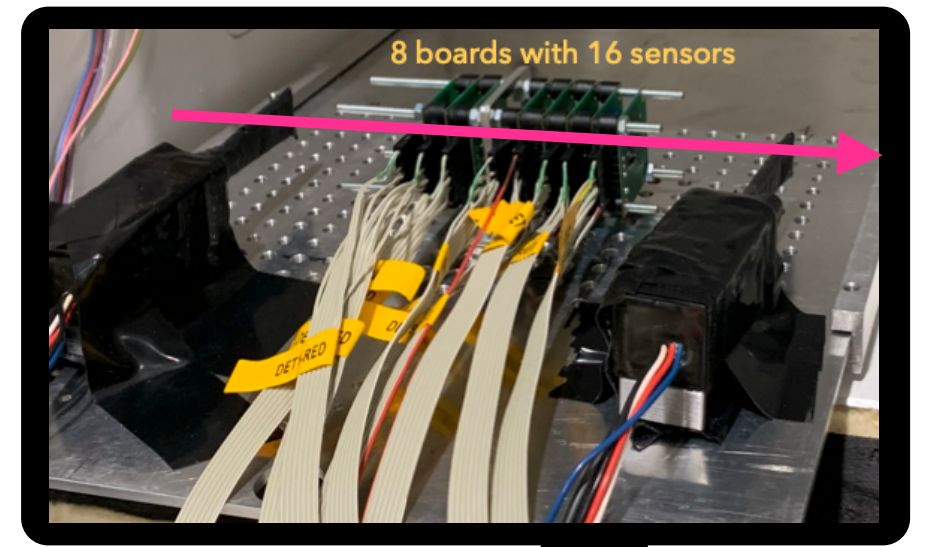
ATLAS HGTD Preliminary



- Likely a **effect of rare large energy deposits**: Electric field (V/thickness) is key parameter determining the fatality. E field collapse in present of high concentration of free carriers. See [here](#) for more information and details.
- Implication for HGTD: **ensure sensors can be operated** at biases reaching design specs **without risk of SEB**

SEB testbeam setup

- Several testbeam campaigns dedicated to:
 - Gain **more information on SEB** mechanism
 - Check candidate **sensors are safe from SEB** at biases meeting HGTD specifications
- Experimental setup (DESY and SPS):
 - Mount **16 sensors on 8-board train** at a time
 - High voltage: **CAEN N472** Power Supply
 - Readout: 3 **NI-USB 6001**
- Procedure: expose irradiated sensors to beam, keeping track of rate, at **8h per bias point**. Increase bias until SEBs occur, check if above **required voltage for 4fC collected charge**

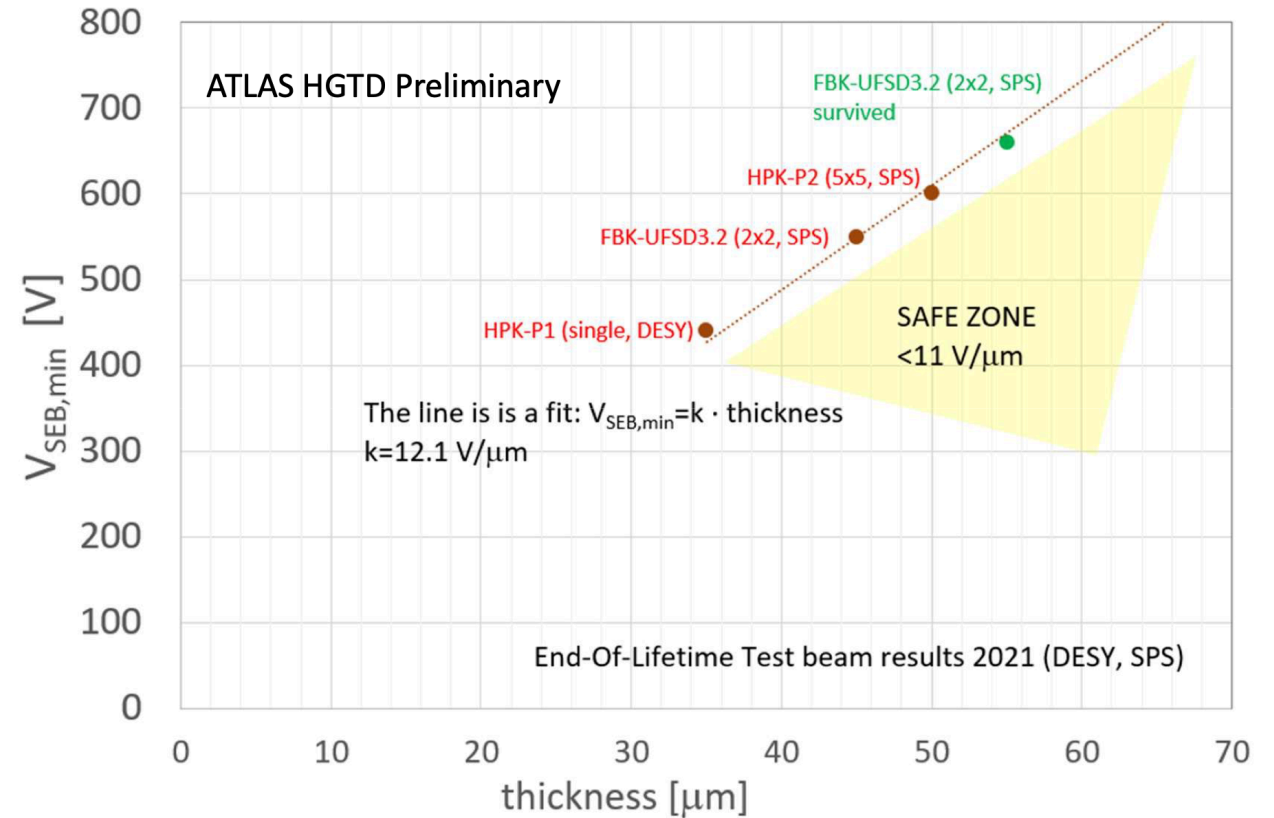


SEB testbeam results

- Can determine SEB prob: scale particle rate measured from scintillator in beam to sensor size. SEB probability studies conducted during two campaigns:
- **DESY in June 2021 (6 GeV electrons)**
 - 32 sensors tested, **24 survived to voltages expected to meet HGTD specs**
 - **SEB probability** $\sim 10^{-6}$ to $\sim 10^{-5}$ depending on irradiation, for $\sim 12\text{V}/\mu\text{m}$
 - Agrees with results from GEANT
- **SPS in November 2021 (120 GeV pions)**
 - 42 sensors tested, **31 survived to voltages expected to meet HGTD specs**
 - **More recent sensors than at DESY testbeam**
 - $>100\text{k}$ pions per bias point (**10^6 to 10^7 particles / mm² per per exposure**)
 - **SEB probability typically below 10^{-5}** , often much less for latest sensors

SEB testbeam: results

- DESY and SPS studies confirmed:
- For many sensors, **SEB issue occurs only above required operational bias voltage** for the 4fC collected charge target, even after irradiation
- For many of the more **modern sensors, SEB did not occur** even high above the required bias
- There is a "safe zone" at $<11\text{V}/\mu\text{m}$



But what are the sensor performances wrt the HGTD specs in this safe zone?

Sensor performance: MALTA telescope at SPS

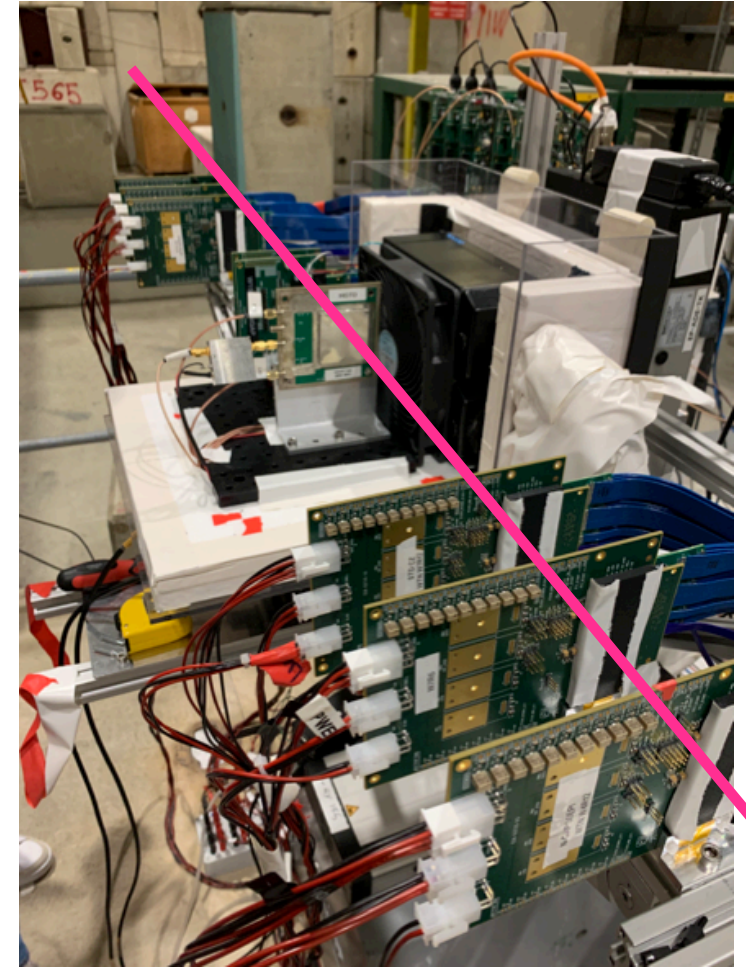
(more info: [JINST 15 P02005 2020](#) or [this talk](#))

- **MALTA monolithic CMOS sensor prototype produced in 180nm TowerJazz technology**
- Matrix of 512 x 512 pixels of 36.4 x 36.4 μm^2 size
 - Tracking resolution of $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$ (6 layers)
 - Efficiency of almost 100 %
 - Also take high intensity beams (*unlike MIMOSA*)

At SPS: permanent parasitic setup in H6A

- 6 Malta Planes
- Cold box with climate chamber
- Special supports made for LGAD sensors

Special MALTA runs performed July-Nov 2021

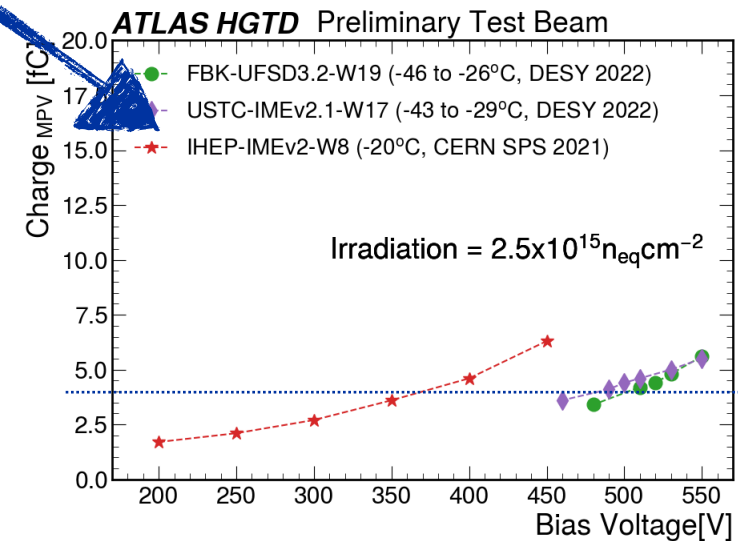
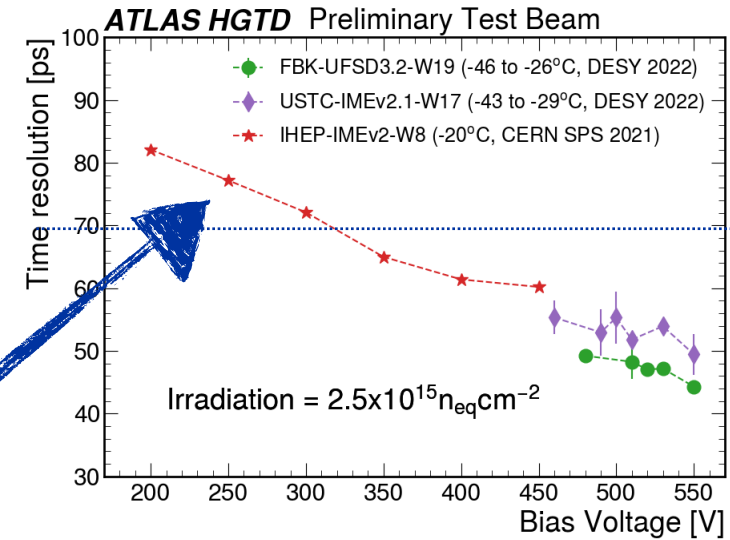


SEB and sensor performance: MALTA telescope at SPS

- **HGTD MALTA testbeam:**
 - Oscilloscope to measure waveforms/collected charge
 - MALTA tracking for efficiency calculation
 - Reference LGAD (known 35ps resolution): extract time resolution
- Test **sensors of most promising varieties**
- Only **one SEB**, for non-Carbon sensor
- **Non-carbon samples** hit specs for $1.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ at $>600\text{V}$
- **Carbon samples** hit specs for $2.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ at $<550\text{V}$

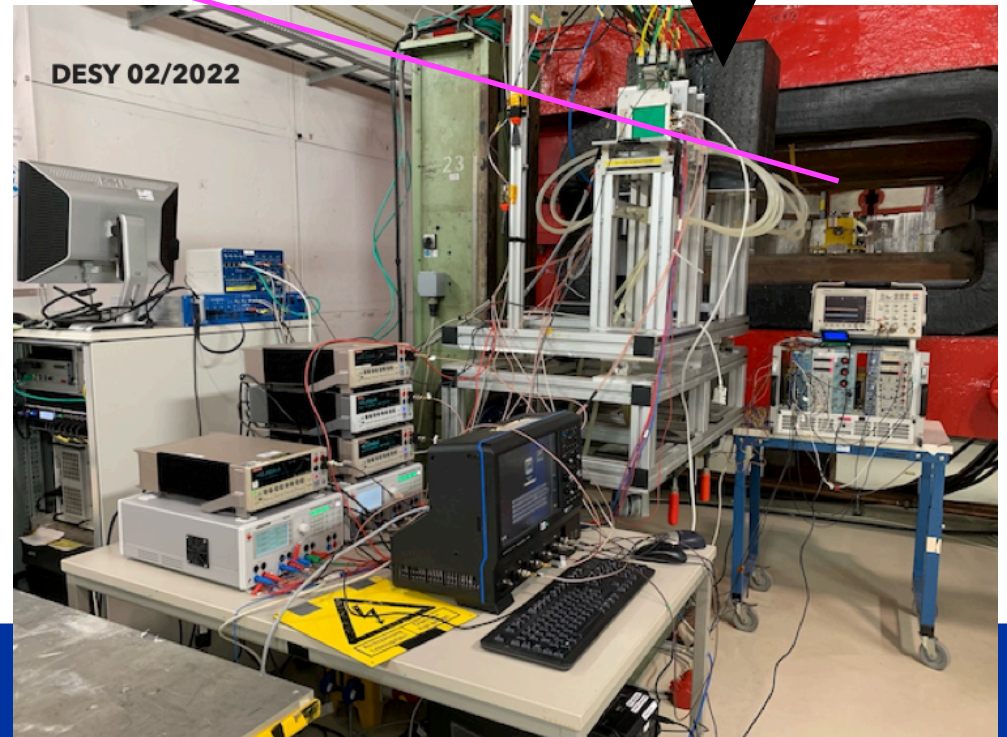
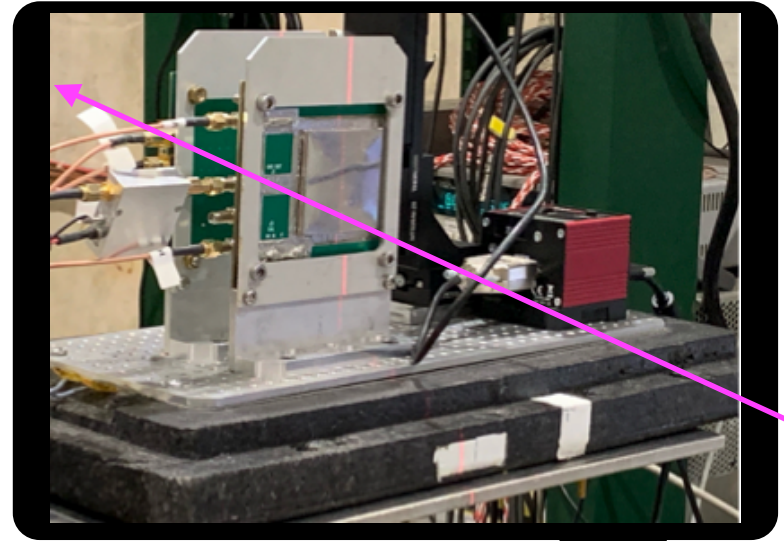
Conclusions: Recent HGTD testbeam results indicate that LGADs exist which **can** be operated to meet HGTD specifications while at low-enough biases to avoid SEB.

Examples of results obtained with MALTA

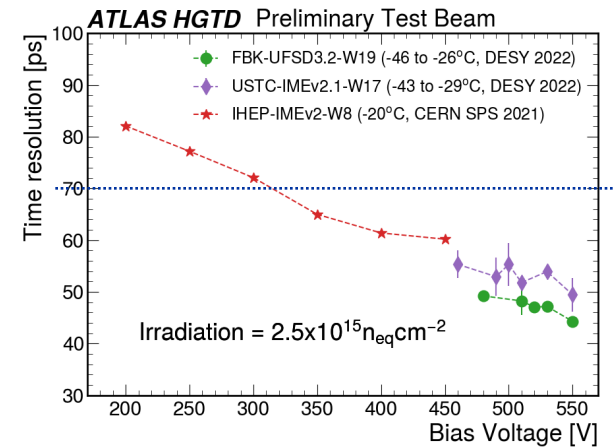
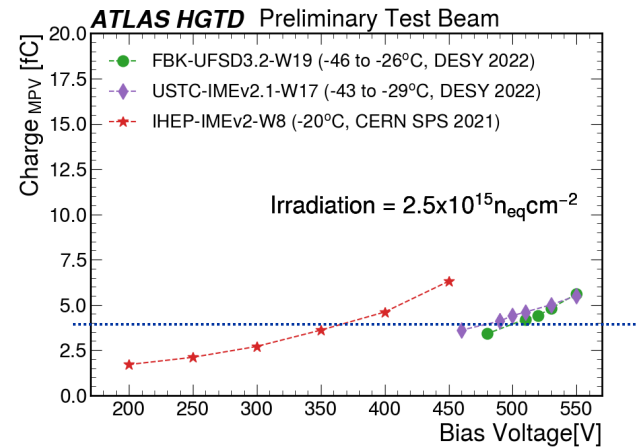
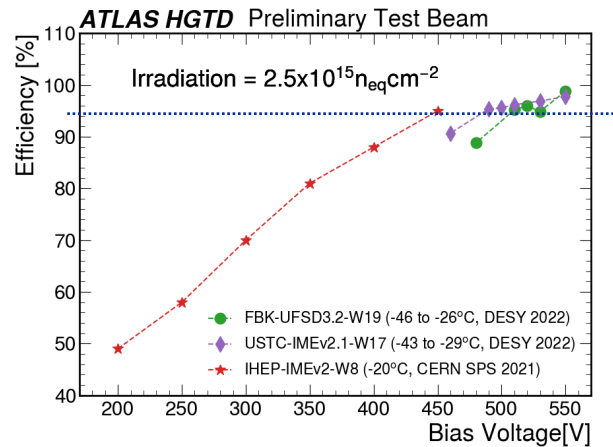
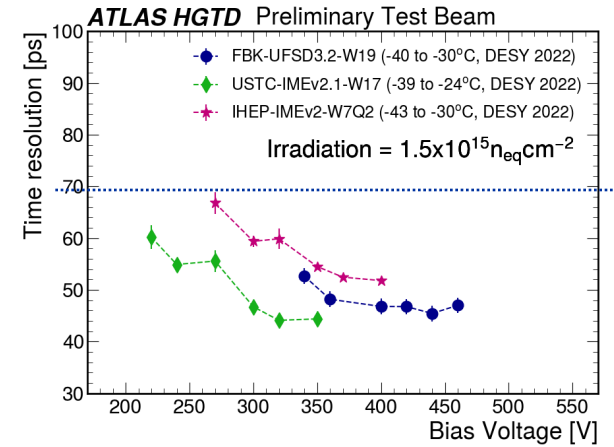
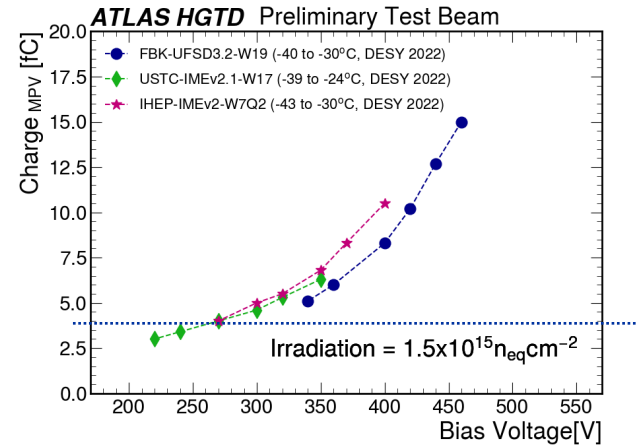
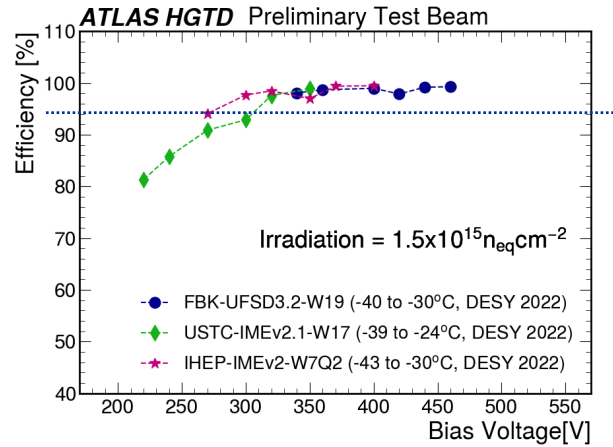


Sensor performance: DESY testbeam Mar 2022

- Use DATURA EUDET telescope with 6 MIMOSA planes for tracking
- FEi4 with MMC3 for trigger/ROI
- AIDA v1 (Bristol) TLU
- EUDAQ1 for DAQ
- WaveRunner Oscilloscope for waveform readout
- Use NIM-logic crate to count 4096 events and send busy signal to block new events during Scope readout
- Cooling provided by dry ice in cold box
- 2 DUTs per run
- Use SiPM as time reference



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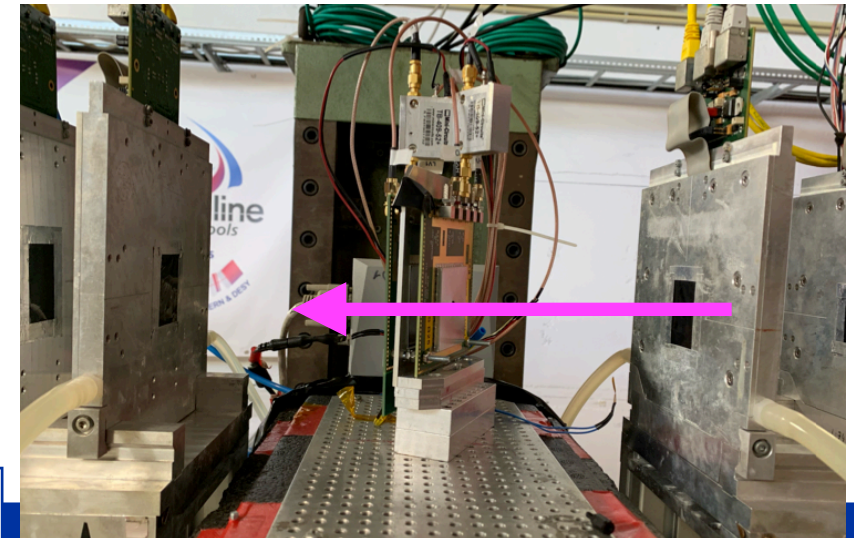
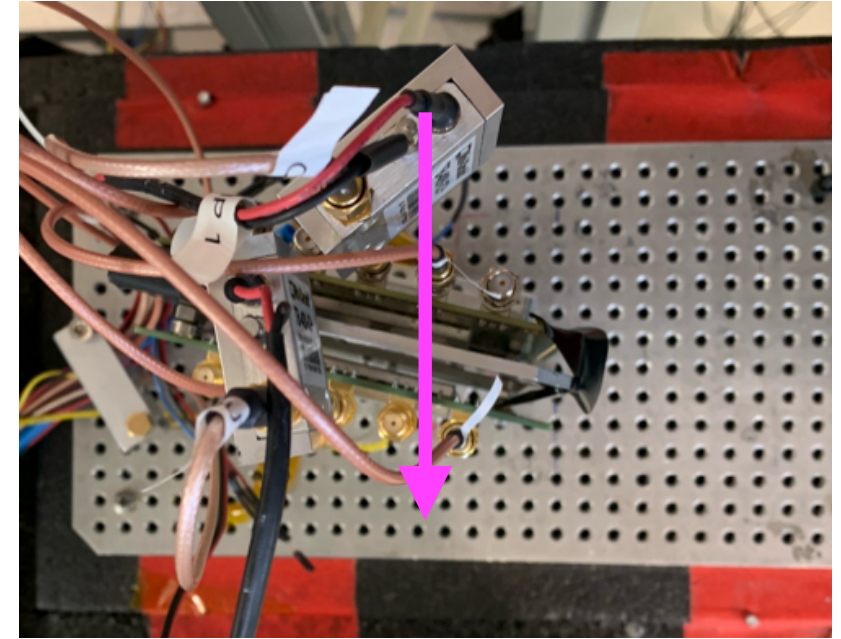
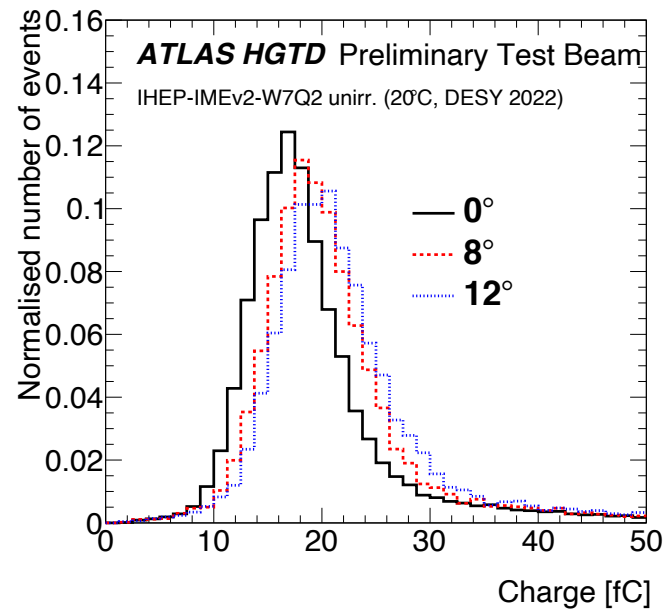
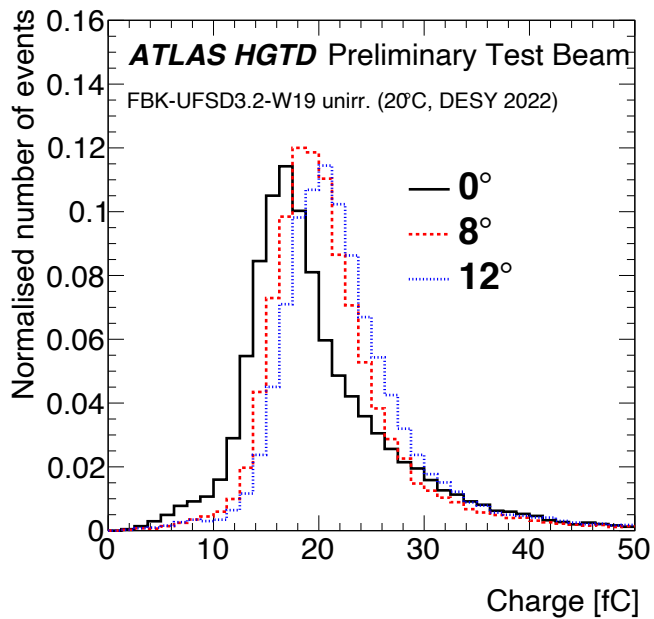
All sensors are with Carbon.

All properties calculated assuming 2fC cut.

At highest biases, DUTs irradiated up to $2.5E15$, have efficiency $> 95\%$, charge > 4 fC and time resolution < 70 ps. **Meet HGTD specifications !**

Sensor performance: DESY testbeam Mar 2022

- Incident angle around 12° expected in final HGTD without track curvature effects
- **Angular effects investigated** in final days of testbeam after main programme completed
 - FBKW19 and IMEv2 (IHEP) at room temp



Significant dependence of amplitude on the angle

Summary and other testbeam activities

- HGTD Sensor FDR passed in June 2022: relied on results presented today:
 - **Allayed concerns about SEB** at voltages required to meet HGTD specs
 - **Qualified performance of latest generation** of LGADS
- Other ongoing testbeam work:
 - **Migration to EUDAQ2**, AIDA2 TLU
 - **Further qualification** of latest batches of sensors
 - Ongoing analysis and **tests of ASIC**: ALTIROC1.3
- In the near future:
 - Tests of **ALTIROC2 on PCB in beam (July 2022)**
 - Tests of **full detector module in beam**

Watch this
space!



Thank you!

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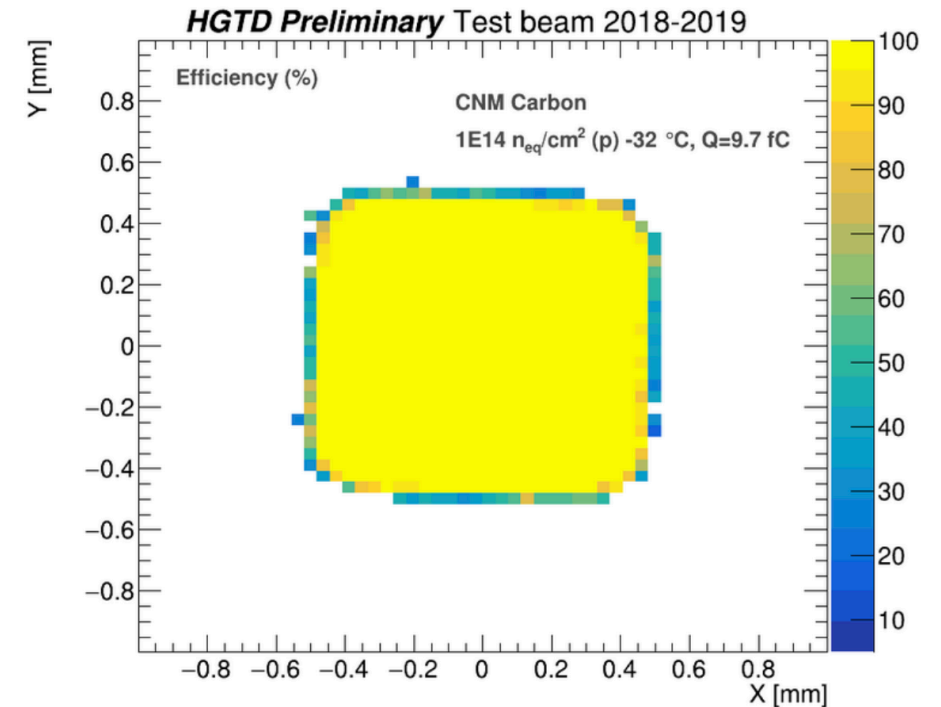
Calculation of efficiency for LGAD sensors

5.3 Hit reconstruction efficiency

The hit reconstruction efficiency is defined as the reconstructed tracks giving a signal on the sensor for which the charge in the sensor is greater than a given threshold value, Q_{cut} , divided by the total number of reconstructed tracks crossing the sensor:

$$\text{Hit Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Reconstructed tracks with } q > Q_{cut}}{\text{Total reconstructed tracks}} \quad (5.6)$$

To avoid the effect of the edge of the sensor, the global efficiency values sensor are computed in the central $0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ mm}^2$ region of the DUT, representing a quarter of its surface for the CNM sensors and less than a quarter of its surface for the HPK sensors.



For further info: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2753590/files/ATL-COM-HGTD-2021-003.pdf>