

General framework



- Our goal in the next six months: not to design a complete system;
- Pin down a limited number of options and define a clear path to arrive at choice;
- Define a clear R&D strategy.
- Work strictly nested with the one of the others WG.
- Key specifications for detector design:
 - Pixel size;
 - Event rate per pixel;
 - Charge measurement/resolution:
 - Time resolution:
 - Radiation load.
 - Power consumption

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Hybrid pixels



- Minimum cell size in the range 50 um x 50 um to 100 um x 100 um.
- In a hybrid pixels the "key specifications" affect both the minimum cell size and the size of the periphery.
- Limiting factor in hybrid pixel: material budget and cost (bump bonding);
- Power consumption can be kept reasonably low and might depend mostly on digital processing....
- R&D activity already on-going at CERN on cheaper alternatives to bump bonding (electroless bump deposition);
- R&D activity also on-going on thinning.
- These activities can be carried-out with existing sensors/FE chips.



Monolithic pixels



- In monolithics most of the signal processing is done at the periphery: more stringent performance requirements translates in increased dead area.
- TID is more of a concern with respect to hybrid (diode leakage);
- Neutron damage is a primary concern. How often can we replace the sensors??
- State of the art: 185 us integration time with 170 mW/cm2 (STAR).
- Can be made much faster (10 us?)
- A very personal feeling: very fast monolithics might not be so advantageous with respect to hybrid in term of power consumption. However they will retain their advantages in term of cost and sensor thickness.
- Watch new developments with thick epitaxial substrates.



Monolithic pixels in 90 nm HR (Lepix)



- High resistivity: (400 Ω cm or more)=50 um depletion and collection by drift;
- Larger signal and more radiation tolerance;
- 90 nm: enough interconnect capability to read-out simultaneously each pixel.
- Sensor which is monolithic, fast and rad-hard.
- Sounds beautiful, but still in its infancy.
- Detector concept can be proven within next year.
- Can we have a "sensor independent" read-out architecture?