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Oxford, 6th September 2023







Time resolution of single pixel irradiated 3D devices up to 10^{17} n_{eq}/cm^2 at 120 GeV SPS pion beams

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3D Sensors

Timing at Extreme Fluences

3D Sensors: Decoupling of charge generation and drift volume (Standard columns, TimeSpot, Hex geometries ect.)

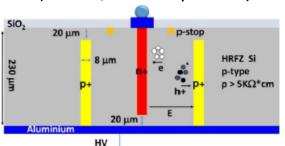
Pros

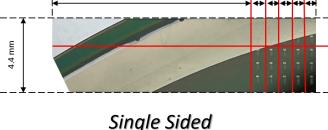
- High radiation tolerance up to several times $10^{16} \, n_{eq}/cm^2$
- Short drift distances with fast rise times
- Reduced Landau fluctuation, practically non-existent for perpendicular tracks

Cons

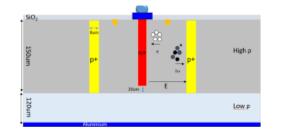
- Non-uniform field geometry
- High cost
- Increased cell capacitance

Double Sided (thicker, more expensive)





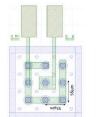
Single Sided (thinner, simpler process)



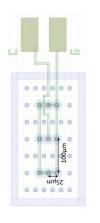


Pixel Size vs Field Uniformity

ATLAS IBL Type

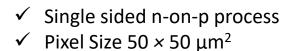


- ✓ Double sided n-on-p process
- \checkmark Pixel Size 55 × 55 μm²
- ✓ Active thickness 230 µm
- \checkmark High Resistivity (> 2 kΩm × cm) Fz silicon

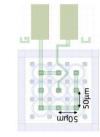


ATLES Pre-Production type

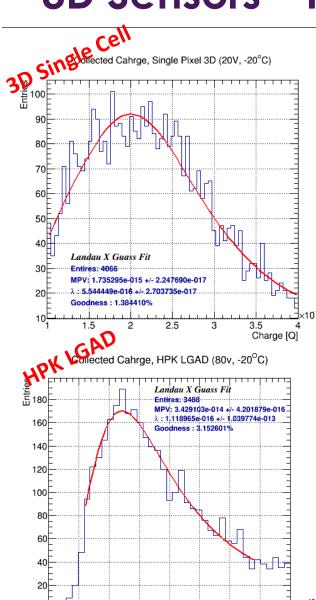
- Single sided n-on-p process
- ✓ Pixel Size $25 \times 100 \, \mu \text{m}^2$
- ✓ Active thickness 150 μm
- ✓ High Resistivity (> 2 kΩm × cm) Fz silicon

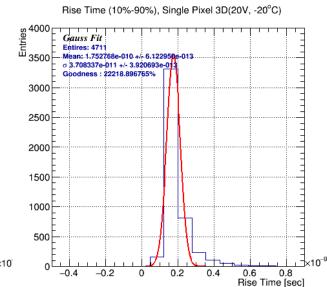


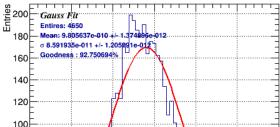
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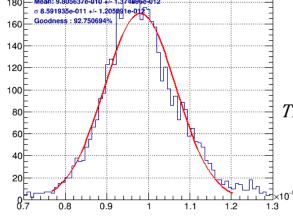
•3D Sensors - Timing







Rise Time (10%-90%), HPK LGAD (80V, -20°C))



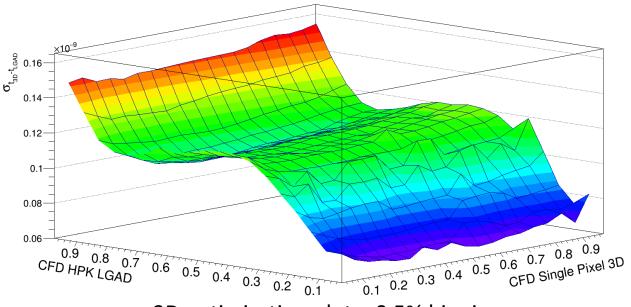
V. Gkougkousis, 17th Trento workshop on advanced radiation silicon detectors

"Single cell 3D timing: Time resolution assessment and Landau contribution evaluation via test-beam and laboratory measurements"

- Extremely fast rising edge (< 180 psec)
- Linear stable behavior with CFD, good SNR control

$$(\sigma_{\mathrm{Dut}})_{\mathit{CFD}_{ij}} = \sqrt{(\sigma_{\mathrm{Tot}}^2)_{\mathit{CFD}_{ij}} - (\sigma_{\mathrm{Ref}}^2)_{\mathit{CFD}_i}}$$

CFD Map, LGAD - Single Pixel 3D (-20°C, 20V)



2D optimization plot – 0.5% binning

Time Resolution:
$$\sigma_{tot}^2 = \sigma_{timewalk}^2 + \sigma_{jitter}^2 + \sigma_{conversion}^2 + \sigma_{Clock}^2$$

$$\sigma_{Dist.}^2 + \sigma_{Landau}^2 \quad \left(\frac{t_{rise}}{S/N}\right)^2 \quad \left(\frac{TDC_{bin}}{\sqrt{12}}\right)^2 \quad Fixed \ Term \sim 5-7 \ psec$$

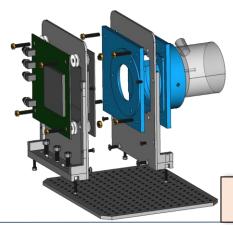
•3D Sensors – Signal Integrity

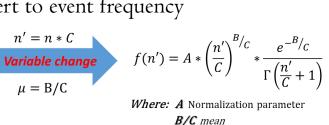
- Frequency of radioactive decay events follows Poisson law
- Record trigger time and convert to event frequency

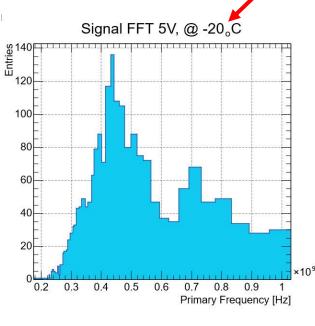
Poisson Distribution: $f(n) = \mu^n * \frac{e^{-\mu}}{n!}$

Where: n number of events in interval **µ** mean f(n) frequency

- Efficiency dependent on bandwidth
- Signal distribution in the Fourier domain highly depends on bias
- Minimum time over threshold effect for trigger latching of instrument affect efficiency

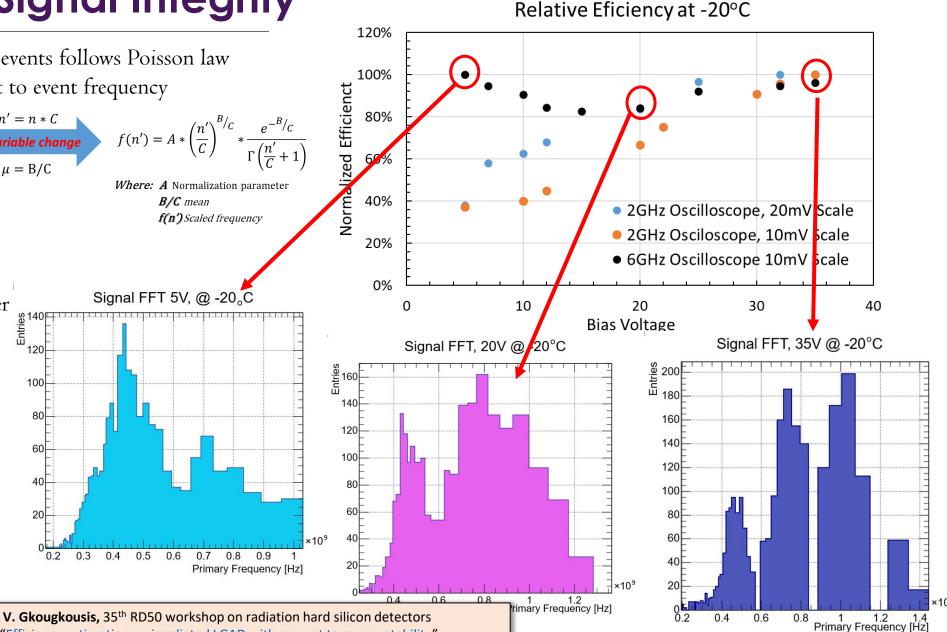






"Efficiency estimation on irradiated LGAD with respect to sensor stability"

f(n') Scaled frequency



Planar Sensors

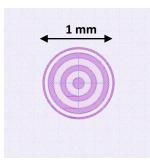
Sensors: CERN EP-R&D n-on-p planar sensor run with ADVACAM at 50, 100, 200 and 300 µm active thickness

Test Structures

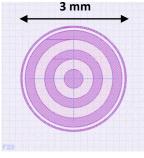
- Small diodes (3.14 mm2 active area) Circular diodes for timing studies due to lower capacitance
- Big diodes (28.27 mm2 active area) Circular diodes for radiation damage studies
- 5x5 Pixel matrix (0.003 mm2 active area) for charge sharing and interpixel efficiency – timing studies

Issues

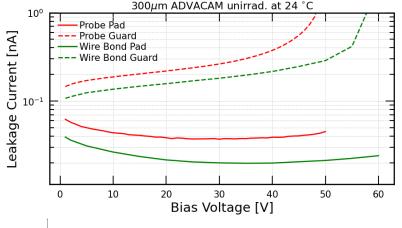
- Early breakdown due to high p-spray concentration leading to impact ionisation at the interface between p-spray and electrode implant
- Breakdown first visible in guard ring due to bigger interface region compared to pad

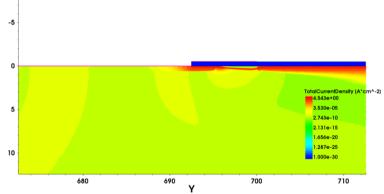


Small Diode

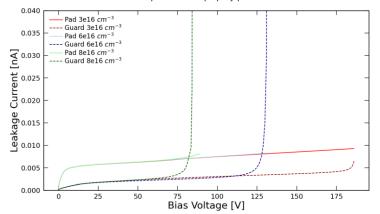


Big Diode





Simulation 50 μm different p-spray peak concentrations



Irradiations

(both 3D and planar)

Neutron @ JSI (Ljubljana)

 $\sqrt{1 \times 10^{15} \, n_{eq}/cm^2}$

 \checkmark 8 × 10¹⁵ n_{eq}/cm²

 \checkmark 6 × 10¹⁶ n_{eq}/cm²

 $1 \times 10^{17} \, n_{eq}/cm^2$

Proton @ PS

 $1 \times 10^{15} \, n_{eq}/cm^2$

 \checkmark 8 × 10¹⁵ n_{eq}/cm²

 \checkmark 6 × 10¹⁶ n_{eq}/cm²

 $\checkmark 1 \times 10^{17} \, \mathrm{n_{eq}/cm^2}$

Part I - Test Beams









Aug



Sep

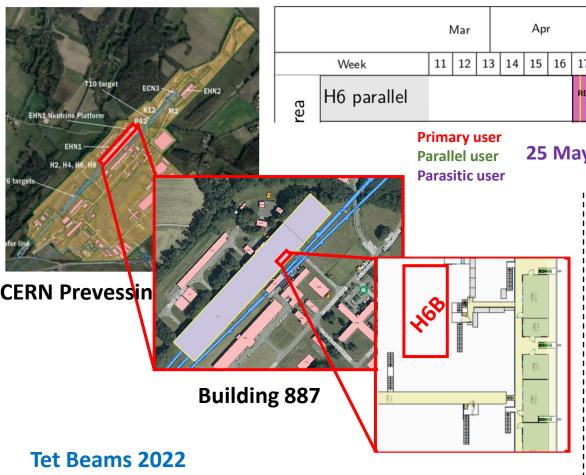


Oct

38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45

21 September - 12

October



Several periods but only two as primary user

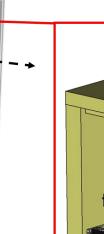
Main target irradiated Planar / 3D sensors

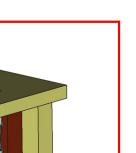
No / Limited possibility of extension

Extensive infrastructure developments

Mai Jul Jun 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | RD42 ATLAS PIXEL 25 May - 8 June **6 July – 13 July** 15 - 29 June 17 August - 14 September Beam The Setup AIDA Telescope **Custom Cold Box**

- DUTs on individual motorized individual stages
- Pixelated alignment & ROI plane

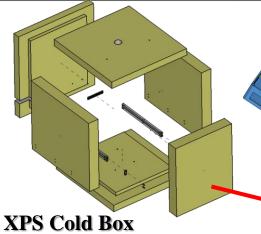




26 October – 2 November

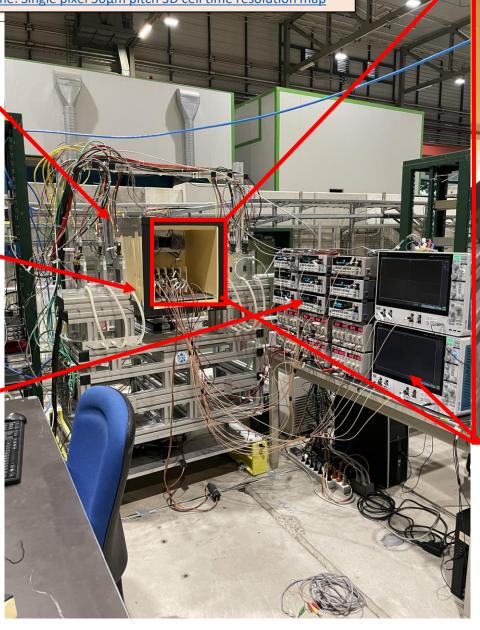


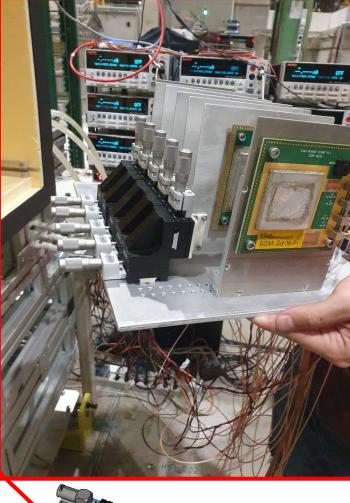
V. Gkougkousis, 10th Beam Telescopes and Test Beams Workshop "Tracking the time: Single pixel 50µm pitch 3D cell time resolution map"



Environmental Control



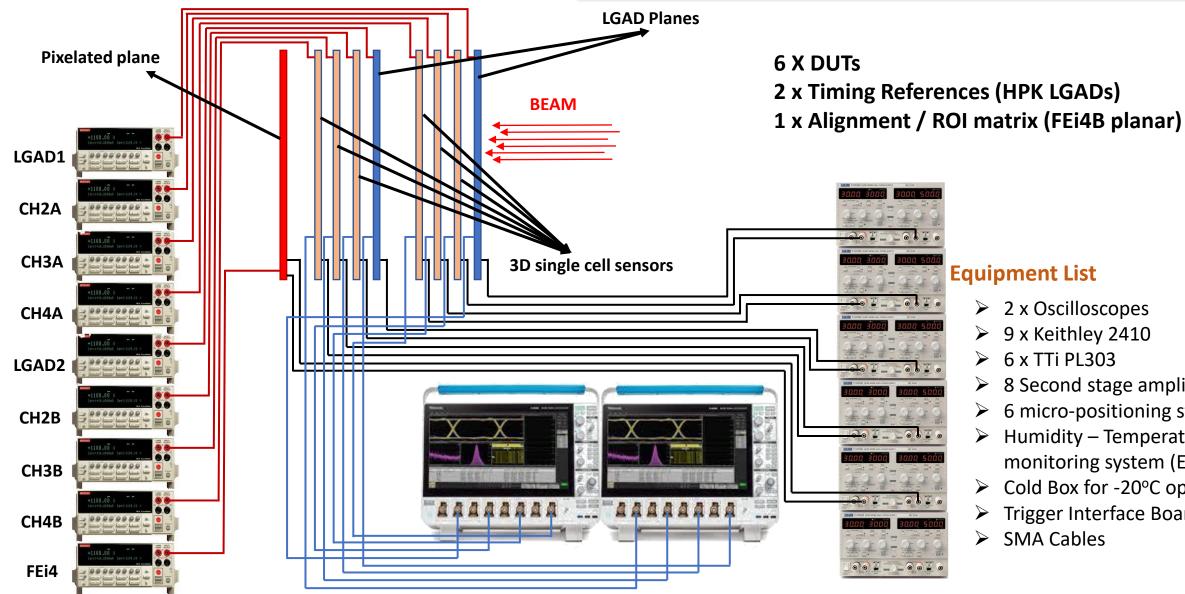






Test Beam Configuration

V. Gkougkousis, 40th RD50 Workshop on Radiation hard semiconductor devices for very high luminosity colliders "Time resolution of single cell 3D devices on SPS pion beams"

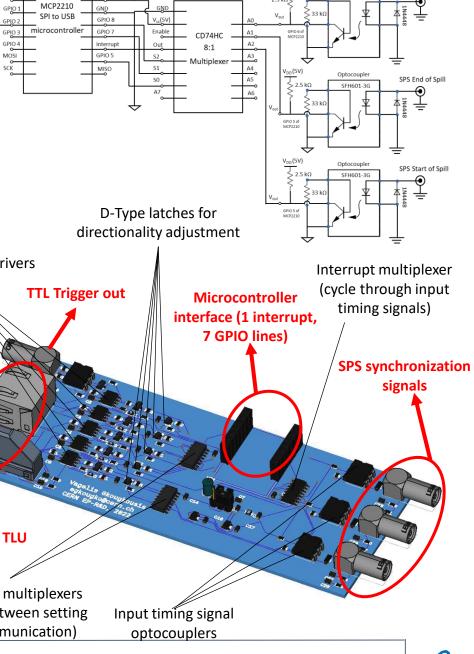


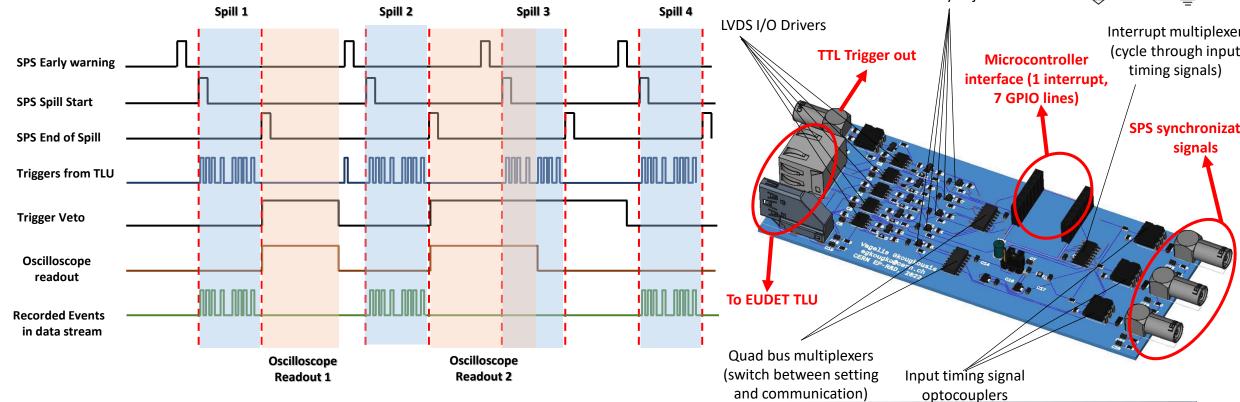
Equipment List

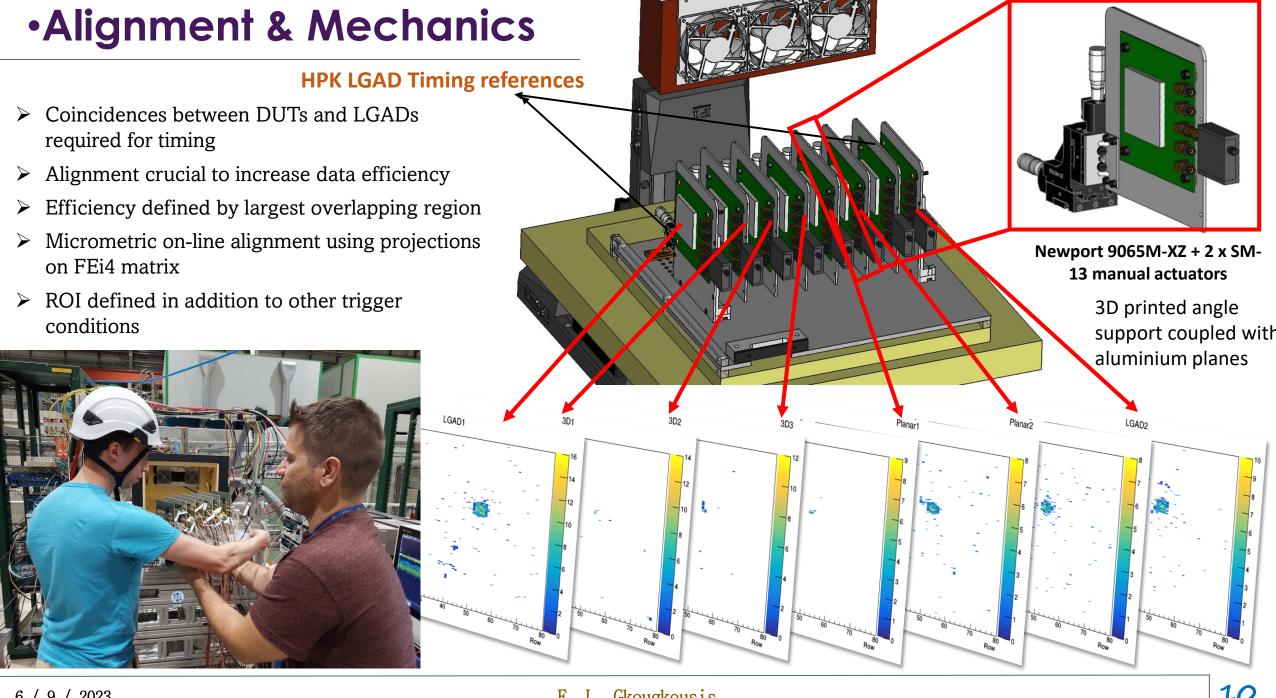
- 2 x Oscilloscopes
- 9 x Keithley 2410
- 6 x TTi PL303
- 8 Second stage amplifiers
- 6 micro-positioning stages
- Humidity Temperature monitoring system (EnViE)
- Cold Box for -20°C operation
- Trigger Interface Board V2.0
- **SMA Cables**

Trigger Interface Board (TiB)

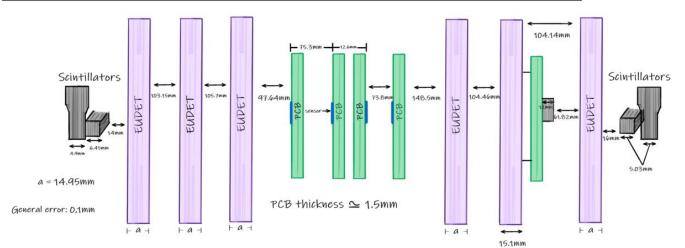
- Scilloscope in fast readout mode with binary format
- Event readout only between SPS-spills or when event buffer full ti increase efficiency
- > TLU Synchronization by vetoing data taking during read-out
- ➤ RJ-45 or HDMI for EUDET TLU communication (EUDET 2 compatible)
- Versatile design, I/Os Reconfigurable and microcontroller Reprogrammable via USB





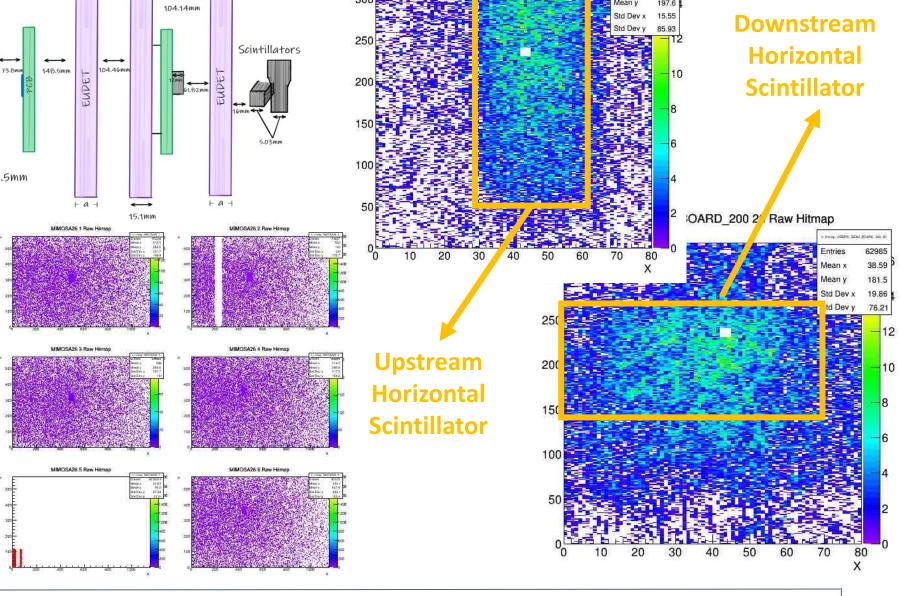


Tracking and ROI

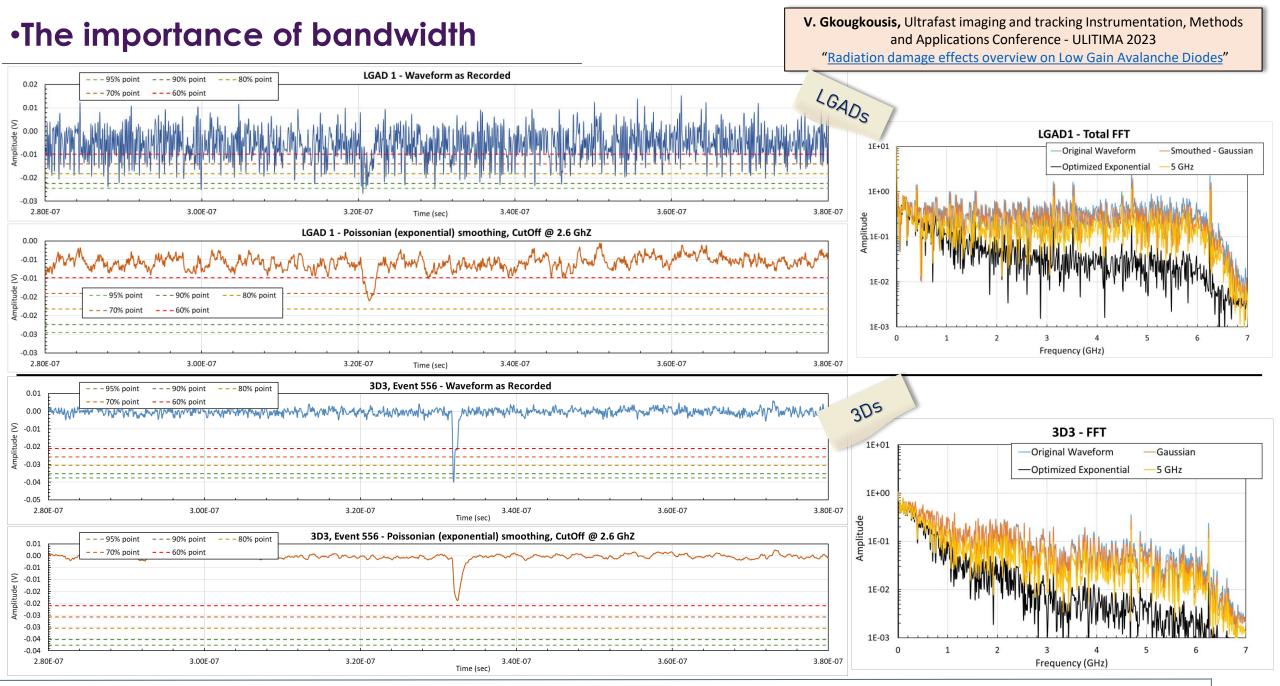


Telescope Planes

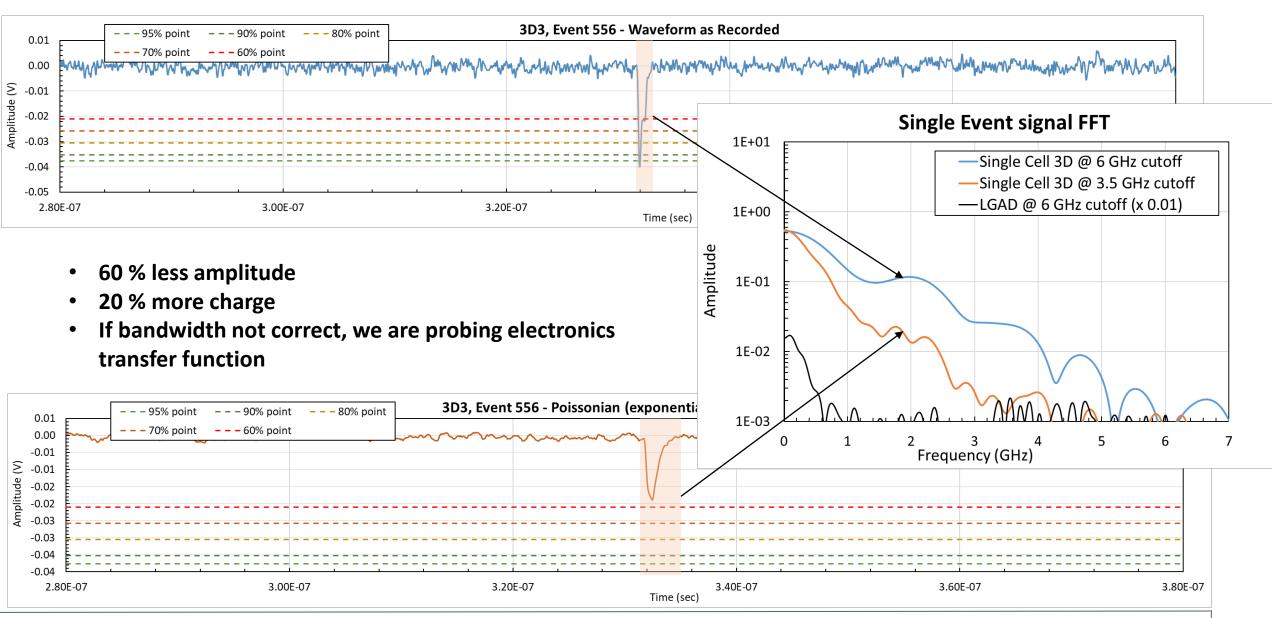
- 6 MIMOSA planes for tracking
- Plane no. 5 known to be bad
- Expected 5µm tracking resolution
- Estimated acquired number of events ~1M
- Limited beam control as parasitic user
- Suffer from low intensity and low data rates of EUDAQ



USBPIX GEN2 BOARD 200 20 Raw Hitmap



The importance of bandwidth



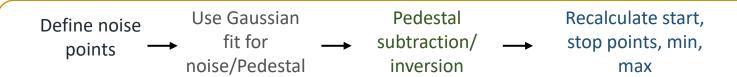
Event by Event Strategy

- A four sequential step analysis approach
- Analysis escalates in a pyramid structure

Five preliminary sequential steps before we even start looking at the waveform

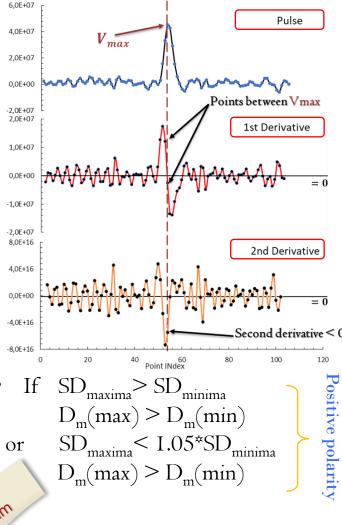
File: WaveForm.cxx

Set Waveform values Determine polarity Pind max, stop point Stop point Determine if pulse within window



Compute charge Determine Determine CFDompute dV/dT Determine rise time Time Trigger Time CFD ToT

Perform CFD time to voltage Correction → Signal FFT → Noise FFT (Time Walk)



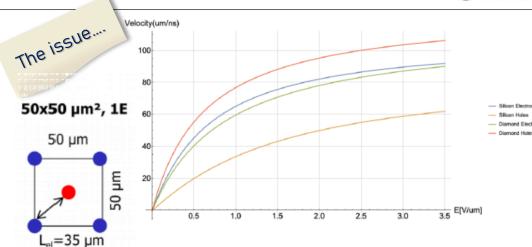
Kagorithm Number of points with 0.8 V max

- If $N_{points} > 2$ test 0.7, 0.6 & 0.5• V_{max} to account for wavy waveforms
- If $N_{points} > 2$ then require $dN_{points} < 8/12/16/20$

•16 Channel Board



The solution



- Assuming a linear filed dependence and a -15 V operation point at 35 μ m column distance: $|E| \cong 0.43 \ V/\mu m$
- Estimating drift velocity for electrons:

$$v_{drift}^{e} = \frac{\mu_{0,e} \times E}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{\mu_{0,e} \times E}{v_{sat.}^{e}}\right)^{\beta_{e}}\right]^{1/\beta_{e}}}$$

with $v_{sat.}^e = 107 \ \mu m/ns$, $\mu_{0,e} = 1417 \frac{cm^2}{Vs}$, $\beta_e = 1.109$

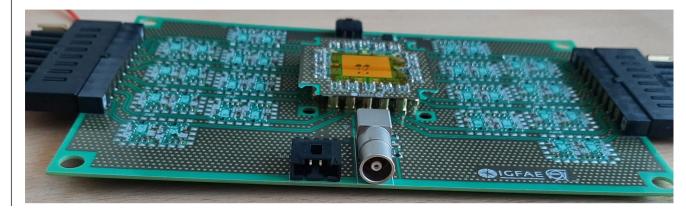
$$v_{drift}^{e} \approx 41.4 \, \mu m/ns$$

• Extrapolated Rise time and Frequency:

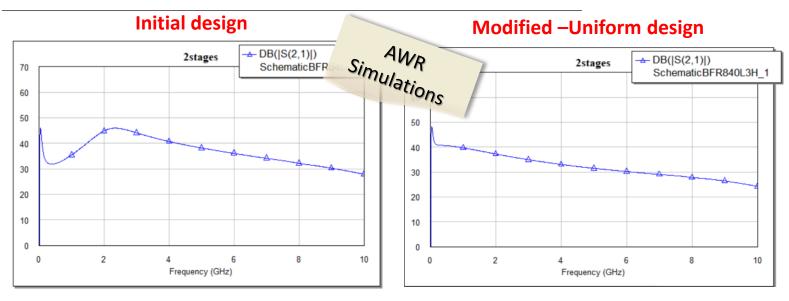
$$t_{Rise} \approx \frac{1}{3} \times t_s = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{d/2}{v_{drift}^e} \approx 140 \ psec \Rightarrow 2.3 \ \text{GHz}$$



- High frequency multichannel versatile board
- * Mezzanine design for fast sensor interchangeability
- Suitable for matrices (AC-LGAD applications) but also for single pad devices
- ➤ High Frequency SiGe discreate electronics @ 12 GHz bandwidth
- > 2 Stage configuration with a transimpedance followed by a voltage stage
- ightharpoonup Low max current (\sim I0mA) with well behaved gain linearity vs V_{DD}
- ➤ Ruggers 3000 High Frequency substrate
- ➤ Pre-assembled miniaturized coaxial edge connectors with panel-mounted SMA plugs (Im cable length)
- > 140 x140 mm outer dimensions

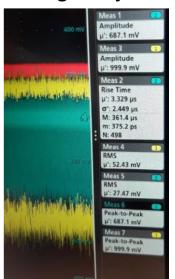


Simulations and performance I

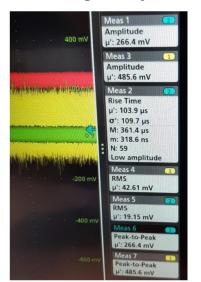


- Optimized design for uniform response with frequency
- No sharp gain change discontinuities
- ➤ No undershoot/overshoot observed
- ➤ Gain moderated to ~70 for a two-stage configuration
- ➤ 20% Higher SNR than UCSC board (with both stages)
- ➤ 2 x SNR with respect to UCSC board + niniCircuits second stage amplifier
- On going energy and transimpedance simulation

With signal injection

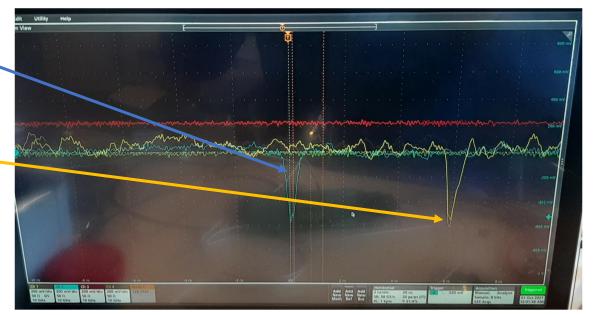


Without signal injection



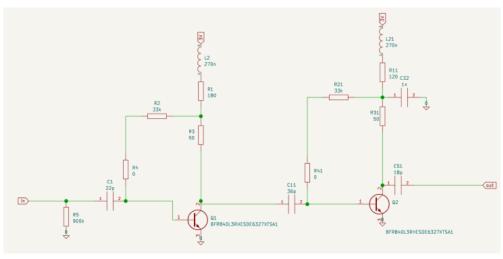
Blue: 16 channel board

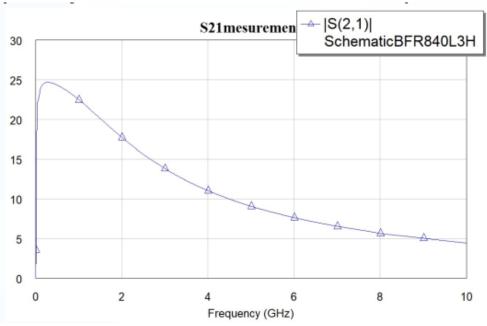
Yellow: UCSC board (only one stage)

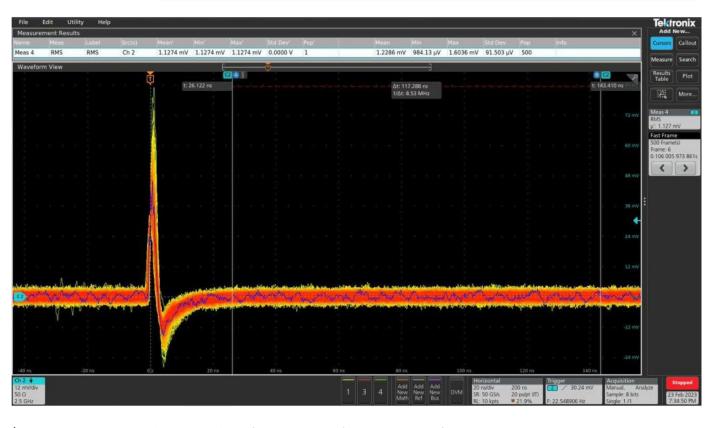


Simulations and performance II

Edgar Lemos Cid, 18th Trento Workshop on Advanced Silicon Radiation Detectors "Multichannel board for picosecond timing measurements of silicon sensors"







- \blacktriangleright Mean noise (\sim RMS) of 1.2 mV for a gain of \sim 70
- \blacktriangleright Tested with a 55 x 55 μm 3D double sided sensor of 230 μm
- Not frequency optimized for this sensor geometry with fast dropout at lower scale
- Leads to bipolar signal due to the increased trans-impedance at lower frequencies

Conclusions

3D Pixels - Planar measurement campaign

- Several productions under investigation of different pixel size and thickness
- Estimate filed non-uniformity impact on time resolution vs pixel size
- Determine minimal acceptable thickness for time resolution applications (SNR)
- Investigate effects after irradiation up to 1e17 n_{eq}/cm^2 in protons and neutrons

Primary Goals

Test-Beam Setup

• Trigger Interface board: Versatile, allows interfacing any acquisition instrument with EUDET

• **Control Software:** Polymorphic UI with seeming-less multi-instrument support

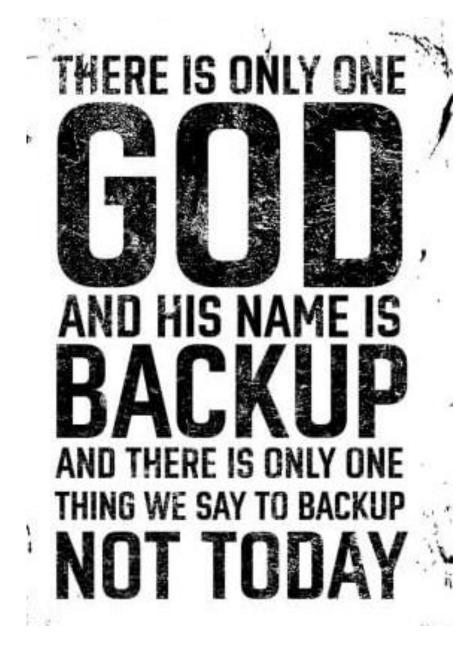
Cooling: XPS cold box with web interface temperature controllable system @ -18°C

• *Mechanics:* Micrometric alignment with individual DUT stages

• **Analysis Framework:** Advanced framework with signal shapes, iterative re-fitting and shape-based noise rejection

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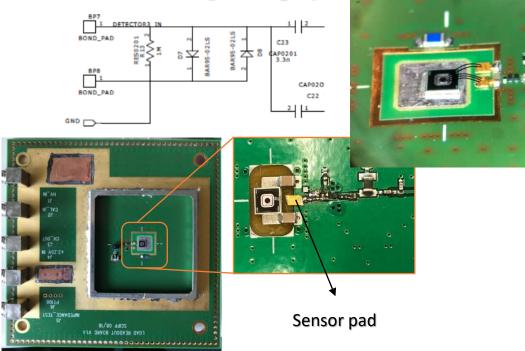
Backup



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Readout Electronics

First Stage amplifier



- High frequency SiGe (\sim 12 GHz) common emitter first stage charge amplifier (470 Ω trans-impedance)
- Fully enclosed faraday cage surrounding sensor
- Mean sensor + amplifier noise < 1.8 mV
- Use of identical sensors for calibration and comparison

Second Stage amplifier

- Mini-circuits (Gali 52+) Gallium arsenate voltage amplifier with a 2 GHz bandwidth for LGADs
- Mini-circuits (ZX60-V63+) 6 GHz microwave voltage amplifier for 3D and planar planes
- Amplification factor of ~ 10 at 12 and 5 V respectively
- Amplifiers mounted directly on the boards and placed inside the cold box



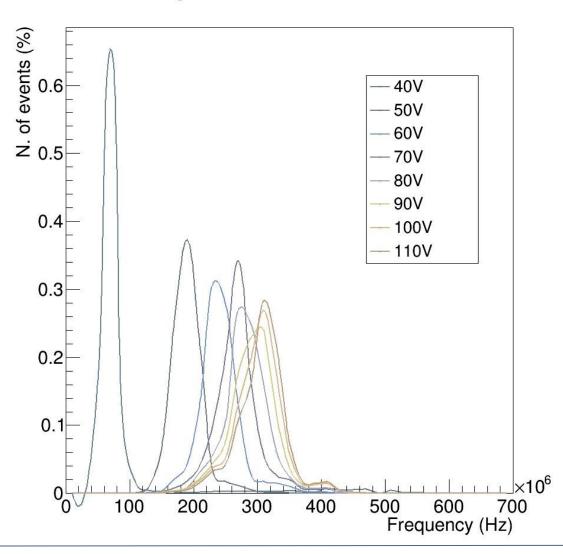
Gali 52+ GaAs , <2Ghz, 50Ω



ZX60-V63+ **50 - 6000 MHz, 50**Ω

Signal Evolution with bias in LGADs

Signal FFT - 1e14n, -30C

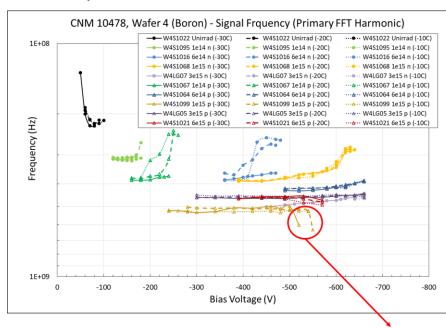


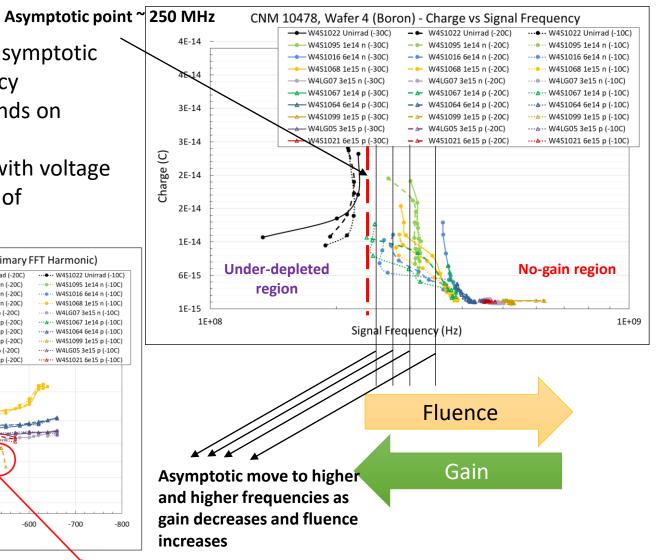
Signal Analysis LGADs

FFT

✓ FFT vs Voltage presents an asymptotic behavior towards a frequency

- ✓ Asymptotic frequency depends on fluence and remaining gain
- ✓ Signal frequency increases with voltage and decreases on the onset of multiplication





Towards the Future: Sampic

The ASIC (SAMPIC)

- Technology: AMS 0.18μm
- Sampling: between 3 and 8.4 GS/sec on 16 channels (depends on DAC setting)
- 16 channels per chip
- Signal Bandwidth of 1.6GHz
- Discrimination noise 2 mV, chip noise < 1.3 mV RMS
- Max input Signal: 1V unipolar (0.1V to 1.1V)

ADC

- 8 to 11 bit Wilkinson ADC at 1.3GHz
- Upon triggering 64 samples digitalized in parallel per channel
- Resolution adjustment possible to improve timing by reducing bit count
- Time resolution between 5 ps (calibrated) and 15ps (uncalibrated)

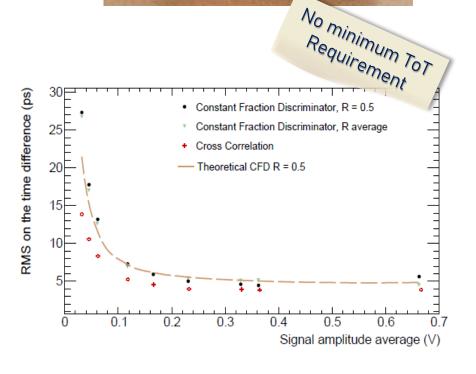
Calibration

- Calibration files provided for all operational points of the ADC
- Channel by channel calibration to be performed by user
- 64 channels x 4 operation points = 256 calibration runs

Connectivity

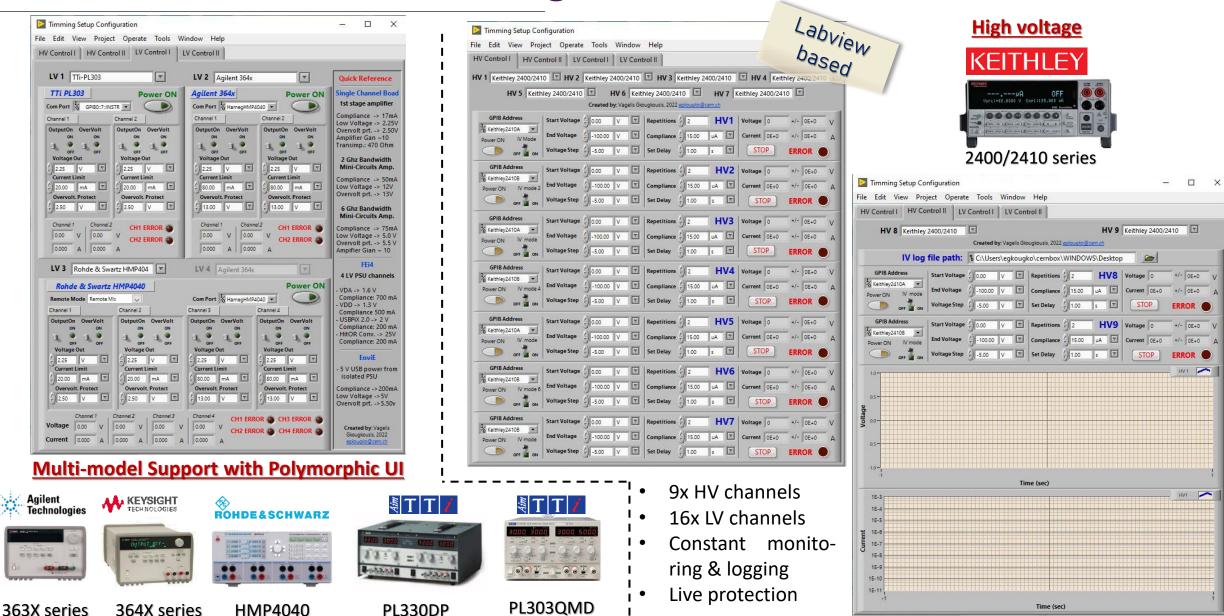
- USB2.0 + LabWindows based software (provided)
- UDP Based Ethernet, direct PC connection no router support





HV & LV Control/monitoring

> Precompiled executable available on GitLab: here



Temperature Regulation

- ➤ Running at a crisp -18 °C
- > EnviE GitLab with schematics: here
- ➤ Glycol cooling with temperature feedback Labview control
- \triangleright Humidity regulation though N_2 feeds

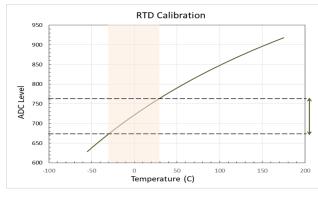
Environmental Expander V2.0 (EnviE)

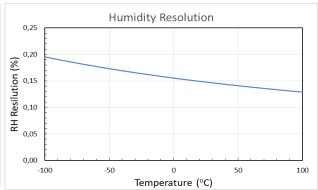
ESP8266 based with integrated 10-bit ADC, I2C and WiFi 802.11b

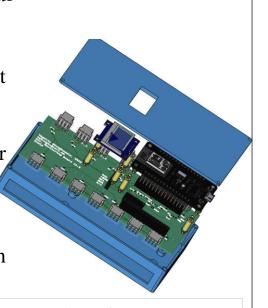
Integrated OLED 128X64 pixel screen

High precision voltage dividers and sensor decoupling

- ARDUINO / LoUA core web interface
- Temperature resolution of $0.8 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.06 \, \%$
- Humidity resolution 0.1 temperature compensation



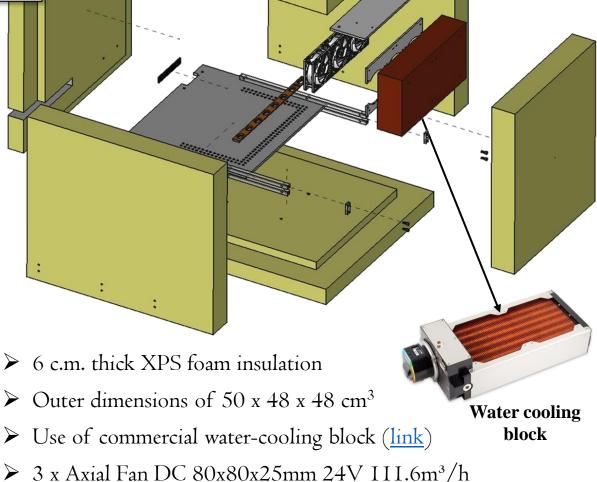






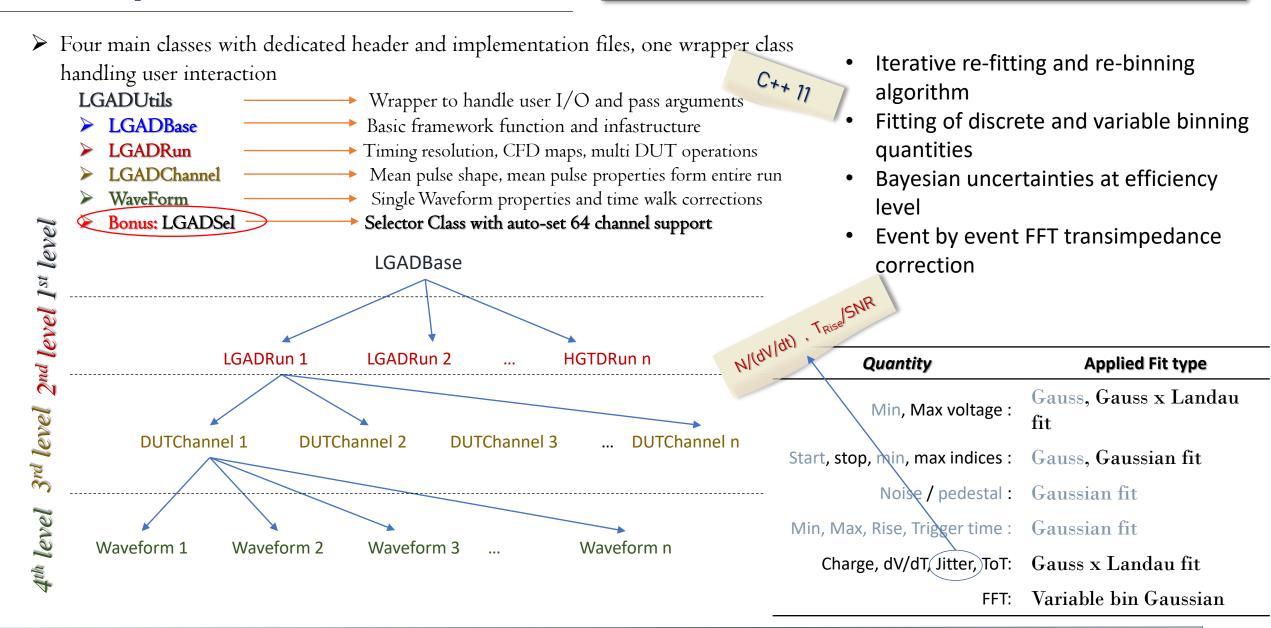
Use of commercial water-cooling block (<u>link</u>)

- − low remperature tested to -20°C (<u>link</u>)
- ➤ Total cost ~ 400 CHF



Analysis Framework

Code available on git: https://gitlab.cern.ch/egkougko/lgadutils



Iterative Re-fitter & signal templates

File: LGADFits.cxx

- > Centralized fitter engine for all fits
- Fully automated, including limits, method and Minuit minimization
- > 36 Iterations per fit with limits and bin size variation to determine best combination
- > Over-binning protection, automatic variable discreetness test
- ➤ Variable binning for FFT, frequency histograms
- Supported ROOFit, Standalone Minuit, Integral optimization or Shape

Dataset Type	Statistic Categorization	Bin Selection Criteria		
Discrete Datasets		Lower 3 bin number variations	Optimum Bin number	Higher 3 bin number variations
	$\frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right }{\sigma} < \sqrt{N_{elements}} < N_{bins_max}$	$\left\lceil \sqrt{N_{elements}} \right\rceil - n \times \left\lceil \frac{\sqrt{N_{elements}} - \frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right }{\sigma}}{3} \right\rceil \right\rceil$ with 1 < n < 3	$\left\lceil \sqrt{N_{elements}} \right ceil$	$\left[\sqrt{N_{elements}} \right] + n \times \left[\frac{N_{bins_max} - \sqrt{N_{elements}}}{3} \right]$ with 1 < n < 3 **
	h	Lowest bin number	Rest of the bin number array	
	$ \sqrt{N_{elements}} \le \frac{\left \lim_{f \in \mathcal{U}} High - \lim_{f \in \mathcal{U}} Low \right }{\sigma} < N_{bins_max} $ $ \sqrt{N_{elements}} \le N_{bins_max} < \frac{\left \lim_{f \in \mathcal{U}} High - \lim_{f \in \mathcal{U}} Low \right }{\sigma} $	$\lfloor \sqrt{N_{elements}} floor$	$\left[\sqrt{N_{elements}}\right] + n \times \left[\left N_{bins_max} - \sqrt{N_{elements}}\right /6\right]$ with 1 < n < 6 **	
	$N_{bins_max} \le \sqrt{N_{elements}}$	$n \times \left[N_{bins_max} / 7 \right]$ with 1 < n < 7		
		Lower 3 bin number variations	Optimum Bin number	Higher 3 bin number variations
Continuous Datasets	$\frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low\right }{\sigma} < \sqrt{N_{elements}}$	$\left\lceil \sqrt{N_{elements}} \right\rceil - n \times \left\lceil \frac{\sqrt{N_{elements}}}{\frac{\sqrt{N_{elements}}}{3}} - \frac{\left \lim_{f \in \mathcal{H}} High - \lim_{f \in \mathcal{H}} Low \right }{\frac{\sigma}{3}} \right\rceil$ with 1 < n < 3	$\lceil \sqrt{N_{elements}} \rceil$	$\left[\sqrt{N_{elements}} \right] + n \times \left[\frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right }{\frac{\sigma}{3}} \right]$ with $1 < n < 3$
	$\sqrt{N_{elements}} \le \frac{\left \lim_{j \nmid t} High - \lim_{j \nmid t} Low \right }{\sigma}$	$ \left[\frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right }{\sigma} \right] - n \times \left[\frac{\left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right }{\sigma} - \sqrt{N_{elements}} \right] \\ \text{with } 1 < n < 3 $	$\begin{bmatrix} \left \lim_{fit} High - \lim_{fit} Low \right \\ \sigma \end{bmatrix}$	

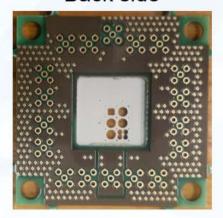
Template Method

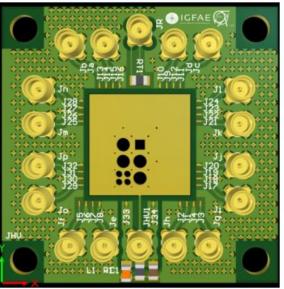
- ➤ Point by Point projection of all timewalk corrected (though CFD) signal pulses
- Landau X Gauss fit on projected point by point distribution
- Extraction of a "characteristic" signal composed of the MPVs of the Point by point projection fits
- RooKeyPdf for analytical description of signal
- Re-iteration on all events and fit of each waveform with the extrapolated analytical signal description
- ➤ Re-caclculate all quantities

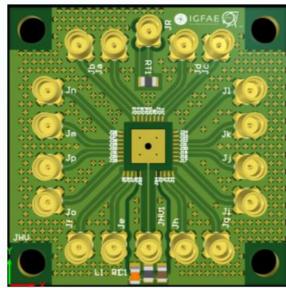
Sensor board

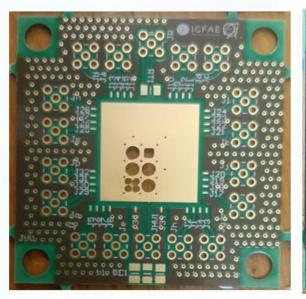
- Two types of designs. (15x15 mm and 5x5 mm central pad).
- 41 x 41 mm square shape.
- Rogers 4350B for the high speed signals.
- Connector area reinforce with 0.3 µm FR4.
- Under sensor pad thickness of 100 µm.
- Multiple drills design on the central pad to place different types and sensors sizes.
- 140 boards produced at <u>Gacem</u>.

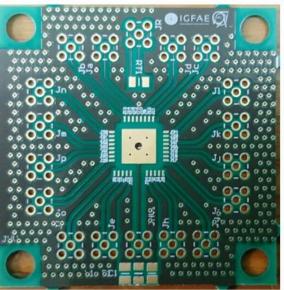
Back side











H/W and S/W developed

Category	Function	Description	Github Project Link
	TiB Board	Interface and synchronize oscilloscope with AIDA TLU	<u>Trigger Interface Board</u> <u>- TiB</u>
	FEi4 HitOr Converter	Convert CMOS level output to TTL level necessary for ROI trigger	HitOr Converter
Electronics	Environmental Expander (EnviE)	Monitor Temperature / Humidity at DUT level	Environemental Monitoring Expander - EnviE
	Front-End readout board	12 GHz fast transimpedance amplifier with integrated faraday cage	Single Channel Board
Mechanics	Cold-Box and DUT Support	XPS foam enclosure for -20C operation and individual DUT alignment	Test beam Mechanics
	Oscilloscope Fast DAQ	SCPI layer DAQ program for oscilloscope readout	Oscilloscope DAQ
Software	Power/ Temp Control Software	Labview based Low Voltage and HV control software with integrated single event burnout protection	TiCAS - Timing Control Automation Software
	Trimming analysis Software	LGADUtils timing analysis framework	<u>LGADUtils</u>