

Upgrade of the Belle II Vertex Detector with monolithic active pixel sensors

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The Belle II experiment considers upgrading its vertex detector with new pixel sensors to prepare for the target luminosity of $6 \cdot 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The 5 layers of the new VTX detector are equipped with the same depleted monolithic active CMOS pixel sensor, featuring a $33 \mu\text{m}$ pitch, a 100 ns integration time and a trigger logic matching 30 kHz average rate and 10 μs trigger latency for a maximum hit rate of 120 MHz/cm².

The two innermost layers are based on an all-silicon ladder concept with air cooling, aiming for a material budget below 0.2 % X₀/layer. The three outer layers follow a more traditional approach still targeting aggressive material budget, from 0.3 % to 0.8 % X₀ depending on the radius.

The VTX could be the first MAPS-based vertex detector running at an e⁺e⁻ collider, facing high rate and featuring low mass. This contribution will overview the VTX concepts, detail critical aspects, and discuss the various tests on-going with prototypes to validate the technical choices.

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