Test-beam Measurements of Instrumented Sensor Planes for a Highly Compact and Granular Electromagnetic Calorimeter

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The LUXE project at DESY, Hamburg

LUXE: Laser Und XFEL Experiment



LUXE milestones documents:

- LOI (2019) 1909.00860
- CDR (2021) EPJ ST 230, 2445 2560
- TDR (2023) 2308.00515 (EPJ ST Accepted)



- at DESY as the host laboratory
- at Eu.XFEL 16.5 GeV electron beam

- over 20 participating institutes
- about 130 active scientists



LUXE: Two modes of operation

- e-laser: using 16.5 GeV XFEL e⁻ beam
- γ -laser: using bremsstrahlung γ photons
- collide them with **High Power** (40 or 350 TW) optical Laser (HPL) [phase-0 / phase-1]

non-linear and non-perturbative QED



• physics at and above Schwinger limit: ${\cal E}_{cr} = rac{m_e^2 c^3}{\hbar e} = 1.3 imes 10^{18} \, {
m V/m},$

• boosted frame:
$$\chi = \gamma rac{\mathcal{E}_{HPL}}{\mathcal{E}_{cr}}$$

 $RMS(\mathcal{E}_{HPI}) \sim 10^{14} \, \mathrm{V/m} ~(\times 10^4 \, \mathrm{e^{-} \ boost})$



LUXE: the detectors challenge: very high rate of particles



• laser intensity, dimensionless amplitude of \mathscr{E} field): $\xi = \frac{m_e \mathscr{E}_L}{\omega_l \mathscr{E}_{cr}}, \ \omega_L$ - laser frequency



• expected positron rate: $10^{-5} - 10^{6}$ per BX, EM showers overlap at high multiplicity



- compact, high density sampling calorimeter
- ullet small Moliére radius: \sim 9.3 mm
- high granularity
- 21 layers of 3.5 mm $(1X_0)$ tungsten absorber
- 1 mm gaps instrumented with active sensors

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ECAL-p: semiconductor sensors investigated on the test-beam



- National Research Tomsk State University
- GaAs crystals compensated with chromium
- $\bullet~4.7\times4.7~mm^2$ pads, 0.3 mm gap between pads
- pads are made of 0.05 μ m vanadium layer
- sensor thickness 500 μm
- total wafer area: $51.9 imes75.6~{
 m mm^2}$
- 1 μ m thick Al traces in the gaps between pads
- better radiation tolerance than silicon

Silicon sensor:



- produced by Hamamatsu (CALICE design)
- Si crystals: p+ on n substrate diodes
- $\bullet~5.5\times5.5~mm^2$ pads, 0.01 mm gap between pads
- few nm pads Al metalization
- sensor thickness 500 μ m (320 μ m)
- $\bullet\,$ total wafer area: 89.7 $\times\,89.7\,\,mm^2$
- external kapton fan-outs with copper traces connected to the sensor pads with conductive glue

FLAME/FLAXE front-end ASIC designed by AGH University of Krakow

- FLAME (FcaL Asic for Multiplane rEadout) is a 32-channel ASIC in CMOS 130 nm
- 10-bit ADC in each channel, two fast (5.2 Gbps) serializers and data transmitters
- FLAME has been already used in several test-beams of FCAL and LUXE-ECAL collaborations
- final DAQ version will use a new front-end ASIC FLAXE, which is based on FLAME (in progress)

FLAME ASIC specification

- Analog front-end in each channel:
 - CR-RC shaping ($T_{peak} \sim 50$ ns)
 - two switched gains (high gain for MIPs, low gain for showers)
 - $C_{in} \sim 20 40 \text{ pF}$
- 10-bit ADC per channel:
 - f_{sample} = 20 MHz
 - ENOB > 9.5 (effective resolution)
 - FPGA to extract amplitude and time
 - Power < 350 μ W @ 20 MHz



Test beam setup, DESY, Hamburg (September 2022)

Beam telescope (EUDET collaboration), scintillators and Detector Under Test (DUT)

• Electrons arrive from the right, pass the first scintillator, then six ALPIDE pixel sensors, the second scintillator, and hit the sensor, denoted as DUT (Detector under Test) \sim 35 μ m resolution of the track extrapolated from the TB telescope



- Two 16 \times 8 pad arrays of Silicon sensors and two 15 \times 10 pad arrays of GaAs sensors were tested on 5 GeV electron beam at the DESY-II facility
- investigated were homogeneity of the sensor response, edge effects and signal sharing between pads
- in addition: test of the FPGA based data on-line preprocessing (amplitude and time reconstruction)

XY hits distribution



- after alignment with beam telescope (\sim 35 μ m resolution on DUT XY)
- color (Z scale) indicates the size of the signal
- loss of signal for GaAs sensor in the region between pads

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Sensor homogeneity study



- ullet Pads were subdivided into 10 \times 10 XY sections and plotted was amplitude distribution in each section
- ullet Fits of Landau distribution convoluted with Gaussian \rightarrow Most Probable Value (MPV) on next page
- color (Z scale) encodes the statistic of hits

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Sensor homogeneity study (cont.) : 10×10 pad subsections



• color (Z scale) encodes the MIP value



Sensor homogeneity study (cont.) : 100 vertical (Y) strips on pad



• Normalized to MPV of central strip. Similar response along X direction

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GaAs sensor: signal sharing between pads



- \bullet MPV measured as a function of x and y, crossing the area between two pads
- gap between GaAs pads 300 μ m

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Si sensor: signal sharing between pads



- $\bullet\,$ MPV measured as a function of x and y, crossing the area between two pads
- gap between Si pads 10 μ m

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Uniformity of front-end amplification



- relative gain vs. chanel number for 4 ASICs
- using calibrated charge injector (2 - 12 fC for MIPs gain)



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good homogeneity of front-end preamplifiers, some dependence on ASIC fabrication

Gain corrected MPV



• MPV distribution after gain correction, excluding edge effect (20% margin)

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Comparison with Geant4 MC simulation

response of a Si sensors to 5 GeV electrons

- energy loss dE/dx [GeV] in 500 μ m Si sensor from Geant4
- energy loss converted into number of charge carriers using 3.6 eV per electron-hole pair
- gain of the read-out chain determined from charge injection: 3.45 LSB/fC
- as a cross-check 3.46 LSB/fC was obtained fitting the gain as a free parameter



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• Thank You Very Much for Your Attention !

BACKUP PLOTS FOLLOWS...

CPA: Chirped Pulse Amplification



2018 Nobel Pize Donna Strickland and Gerard Mourou "for method of generating high-intensity, ultra-short optical pulses"

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dimensionless intensity parameter (filed energy density) ξ^2

- $\xi^2 = 4\pi \alpha (\frac{\mathscr{E}_L}{m_e \omega_L})^2 = (\frac{m_e \mathscr{E}_L}{\omega_L \mathscr{E}_{cr}})^2$, \leftarrow "classical picture" ω_L - laser frequency, ξ - "dimensionless amplitude" of \mathscr{E} field • $\xi^2 = 4\pi \alpha \lambda_L \lambda_C^2 n_L$, \leftarrow "quantum picture" λ_L and λ_C - reduced laser and Compton wavelengths, $\lambda_L \sim 1 \ \mu m$ $\lambda_C \sim 10^{-6} \ \mu m$ n_L - number density of laser photons
- for low and moderate ξ≲1 the probability of net absorption of *n* laser photons ∝ (ξ²)ⁿ ~ αⁿ (consistent with perturbative QED vertex counting)

Non-linear Compton γ spectrum



- low laser intensity $(\xi) \rightarrow \text{KleinNishina process}$
- $\xi \nearrow$: increasing flux of Compton photons
- $\xi \nearrow$: shift of Compton edge with laser intensity (\rightarrow next page)
- additional structure due to multi-photon absorption

$e^- + n\gamma_L ightarrow e^- + \gamma$

- for monochromatic, circularly polarized laser pulse: $|\vec{\mathscr{E}}| = const$
- ullet in transverse plane circular motion of electron with frequency ω_L
- energy accumulated in this transverse degree of freedom can be treated as extra, effective mass of the electron
- ullet electron transverse momentum: ${\it P}_\perp \sim \xi m$
- $E^2 = m^2 + P_{\perp}^2 + P_{\parallel}^2 \sim (1 + \xi^2) m^2 + P_{\parallel}^2$
- electron effective mass: $\overline{m} = m \sqrt{1+\xi^2}$
- \rightarrow shift of the lowest order Compton edge (scaling as $1/\sqrt{1+\xi^2}$)
- $\bullet \rightarrow$ can be used to monitor the intensity parameter ξ

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Rate of e^+e^- pair production



- in a constant static field: $\propto \exp\left(-\pi \frac{\mathscr{E}_{cr}}{\mathscr{E}}\right)$ (Schwinger process)
- in plane wave laser (asymptotic): $\propto \exp\left(-\frac{8}{3}\frac{1}{1+\cos\theta}\frac{m_e}{\omega_l}\frac{\mathscr{E}_{cr}}{\mathscr{E}}\right)$
- good agreement for $\xi \ll 1$ and $\xi > 1$
- \bullet initial growth with ξ then drop due to the Compton edge shift