

The ATLAS ITk Strip Detector System for the Phase-II LHC Upgrade



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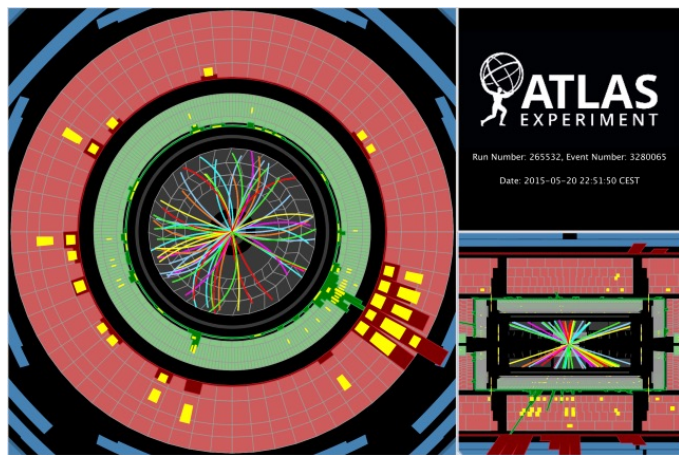
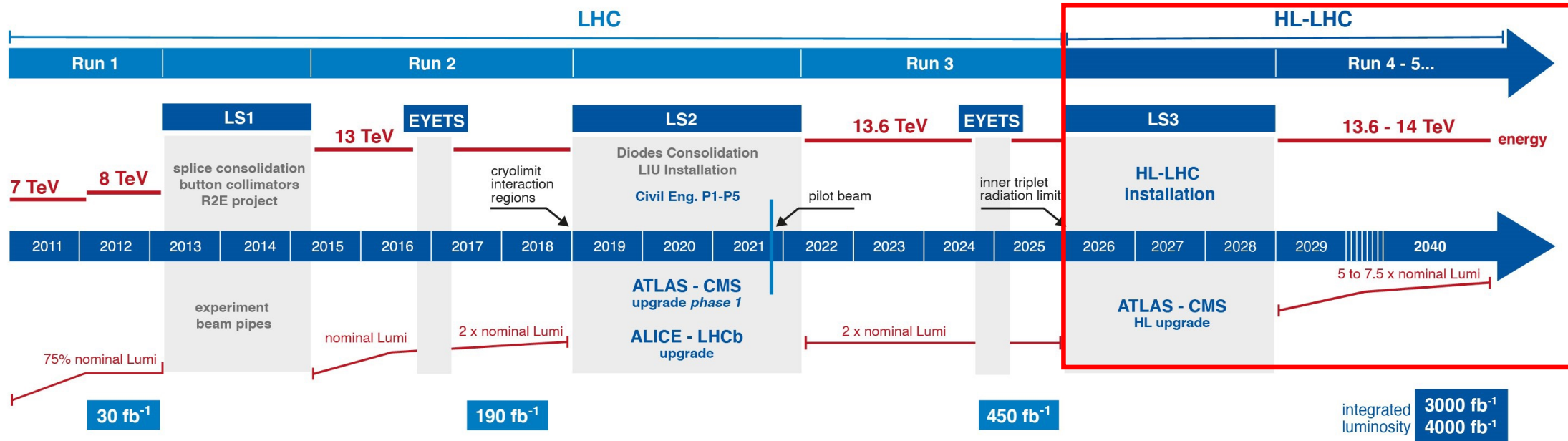
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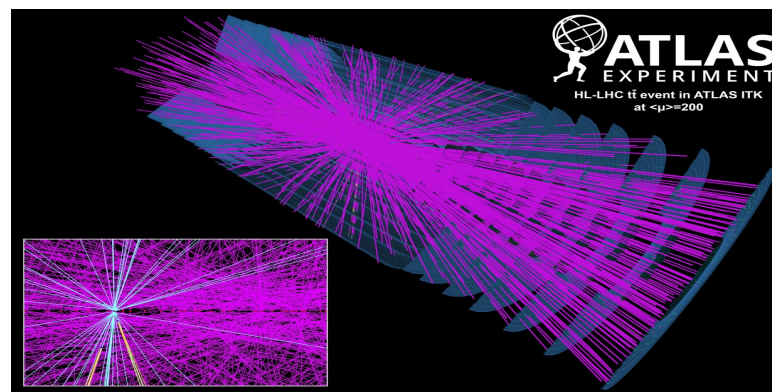
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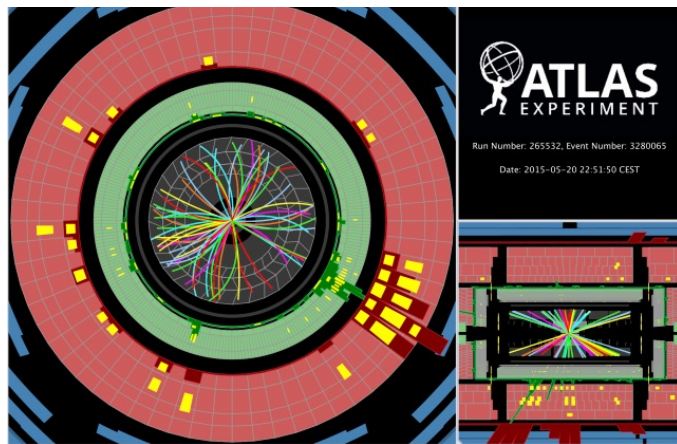


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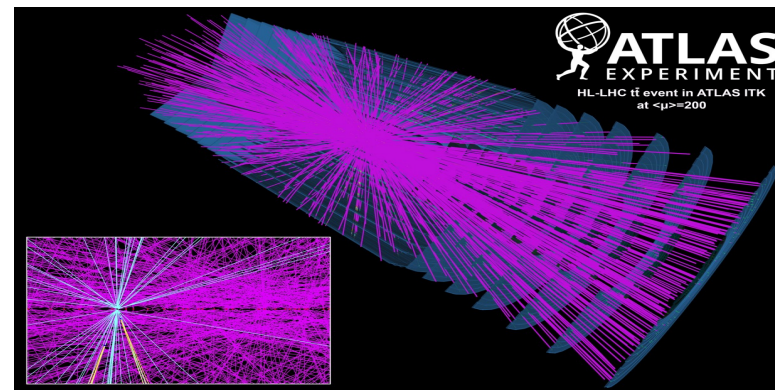
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Current tracker will be replaced by the new **all-silicon**
ATLAS Inner Tracker



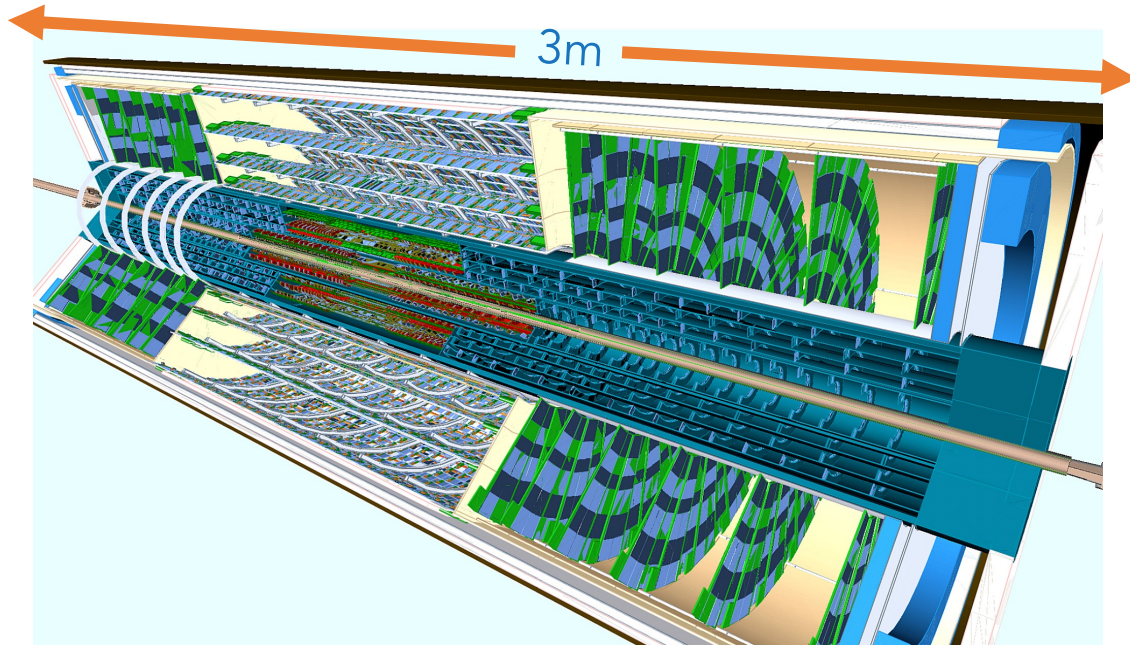
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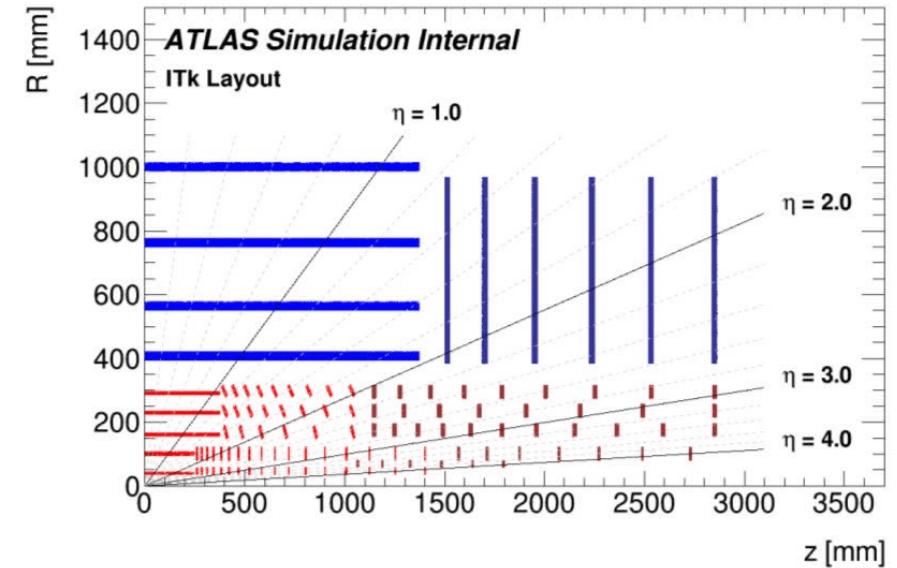
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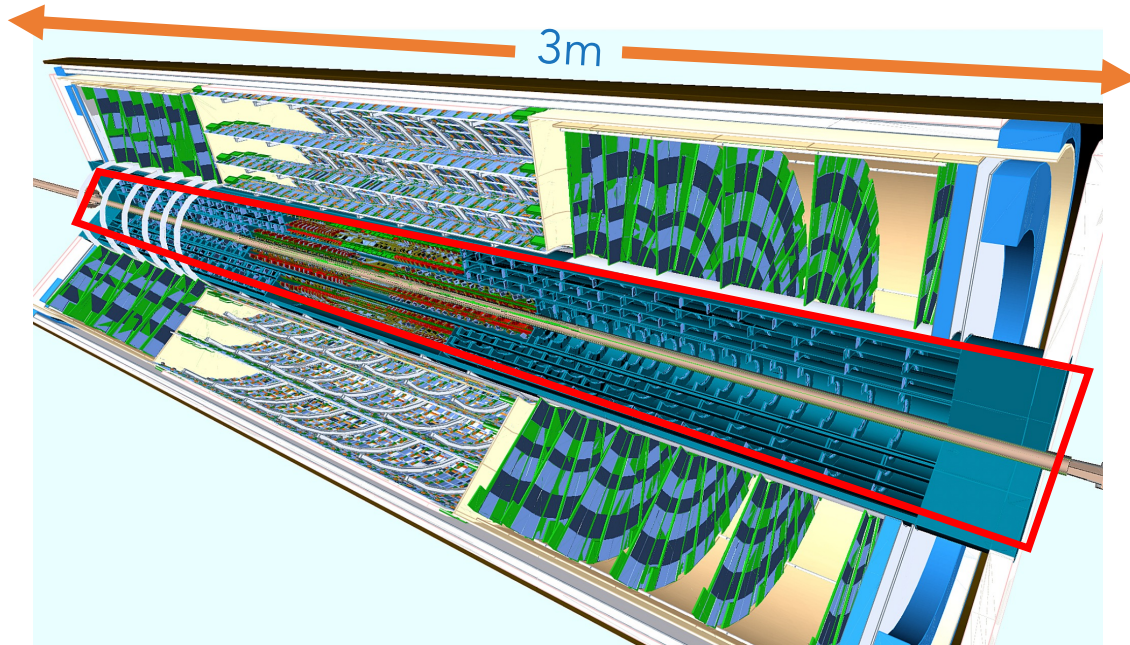


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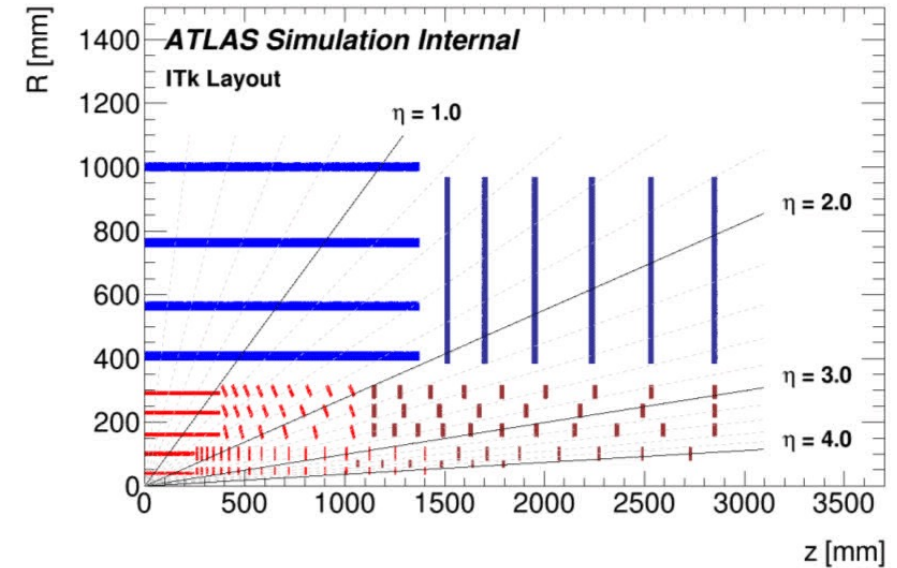
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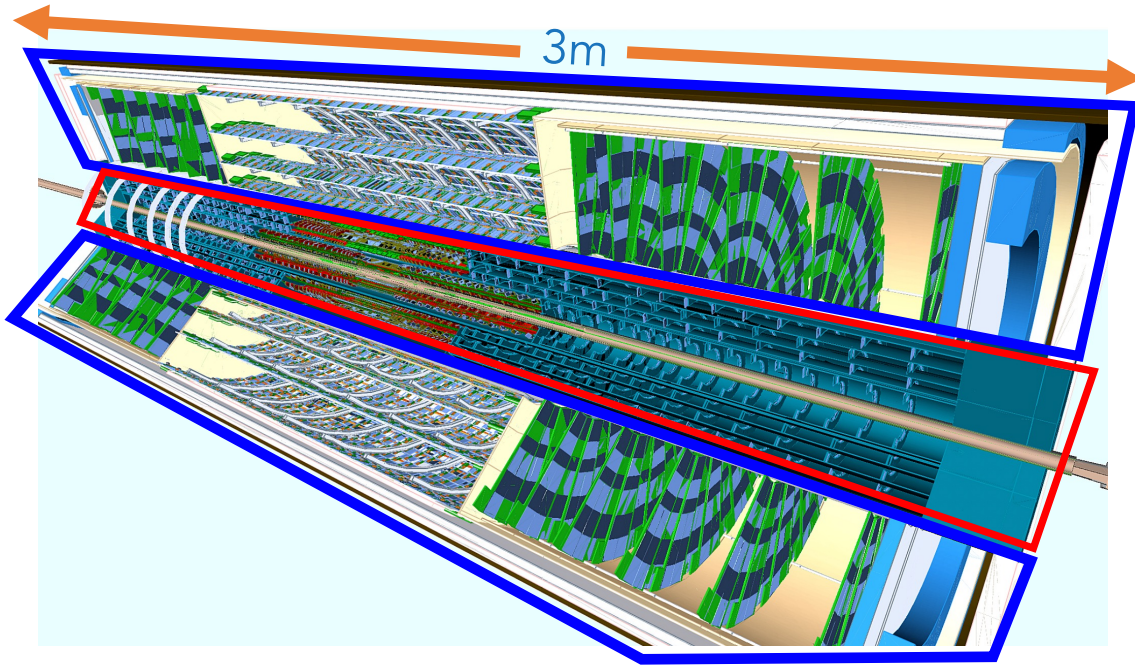
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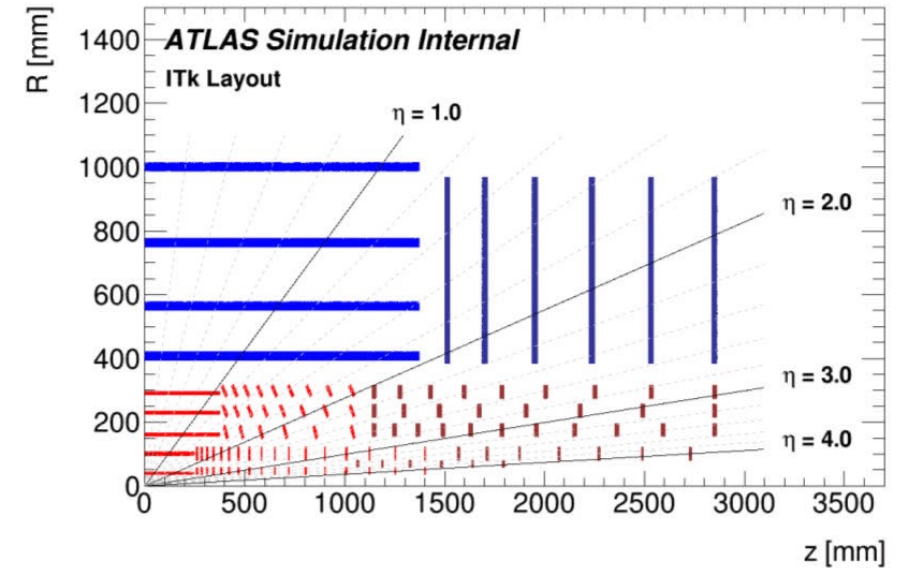
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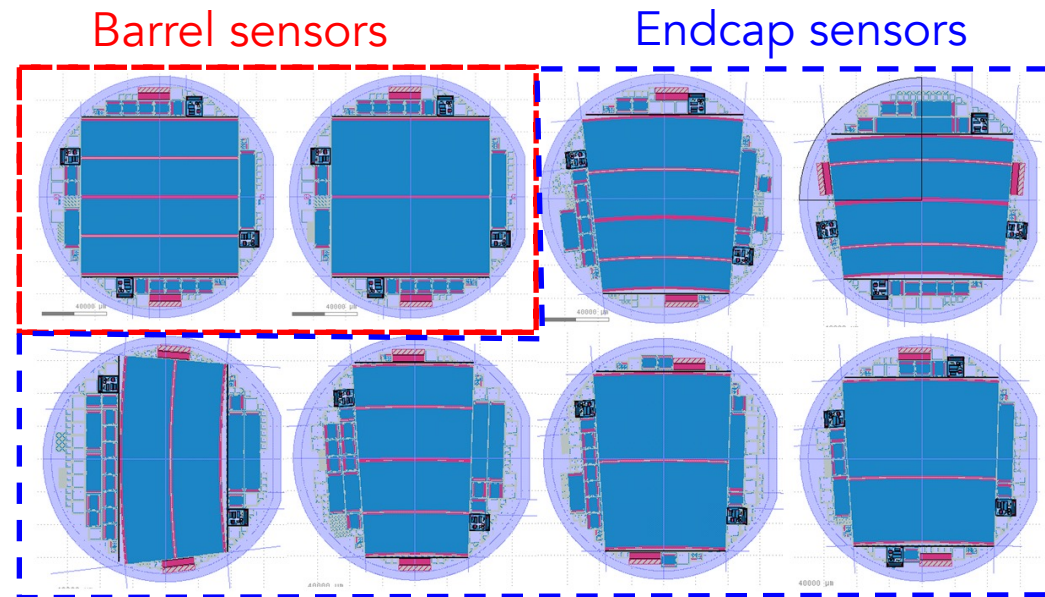
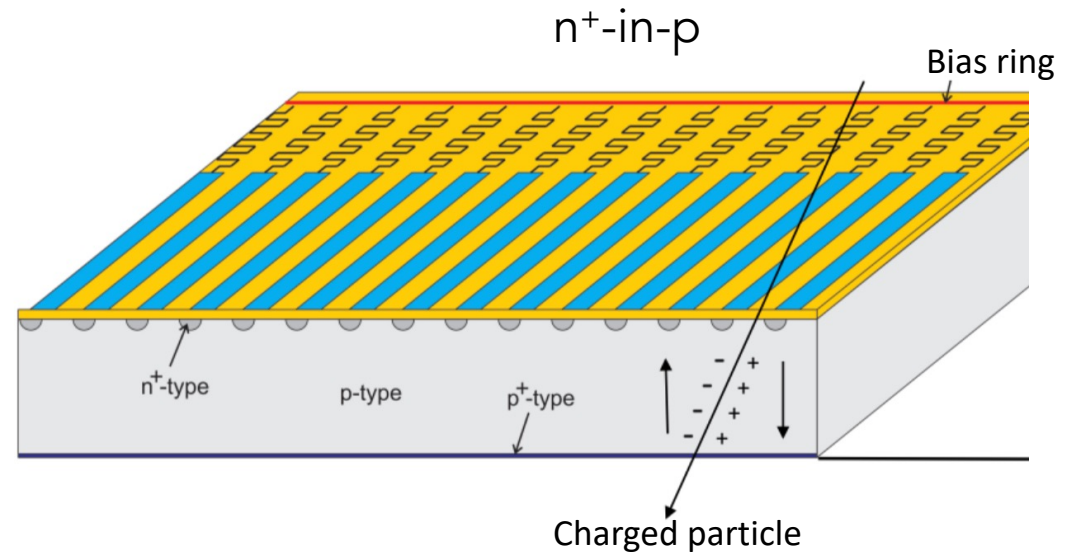
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- Pixel detector close to the beamline
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- Strip detector surrounds pixels
 - 4 barrel layers and 6 endcap disks/forward region
 - 18K modules
 - 65M channels
 - 165 m² of silicon

Sensors

- AC coupled strips with n^+ implants in p-type bulk
- Radiation-tolerant up to fluences of $1.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ neq/cm}^2$ [expected max $5.4 \times 10^{14} \text{ neq/cm}^2$]
- Smaller strip lengths for better occupancy
- **In Production** since August 2021
- Two types of **barrel sensors**:
 - Inner 2 layers Short-Strip (2.4 cm)
 - Outer 2 layers Long-Strip (4.8 cm)
 - Active area of $9.7 \times 9.7 \text{ cm}^2$ with $75.5 \mu\text{m}$ pitch
- 6 **endcap sensor** geometries
 - 1.5-6cm strip length
 - $70 - 80 \mu\text{m}$ pitch



Power boards

- Powers front-end electronics and monitors and controls sub-detectors

DCDC

- Buck converter
- 11V input, 1.5V output to front-end ASICs
- Al shield

LinPOL

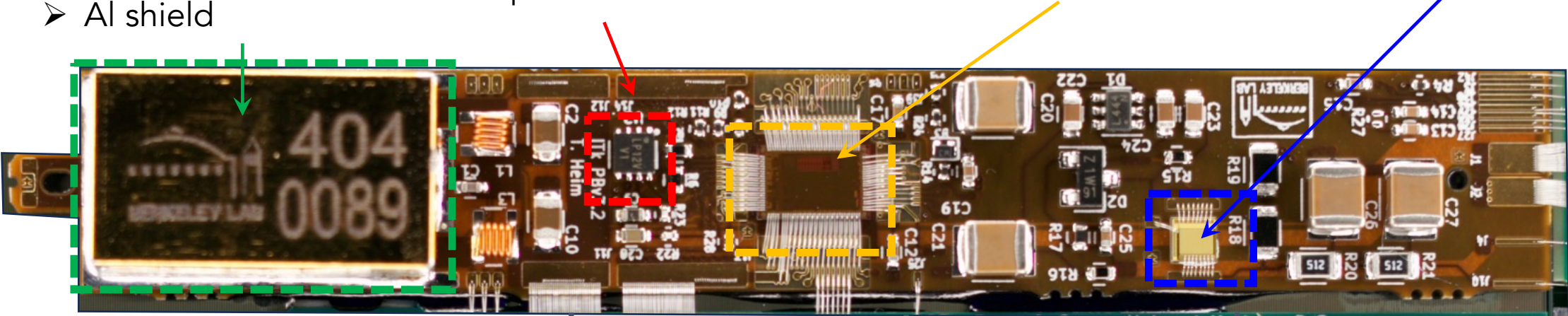
- Linear regulator
- 11V input, 1.4V output to AMAC and 3.3V output to GanFET

AMACStar

- Monitoring and control
- Measures voltage, current, temperature
- Enables/disables DCDC

GanFET

- Switch for isolating failed sensors connected to the same HV line



DCDC conversion

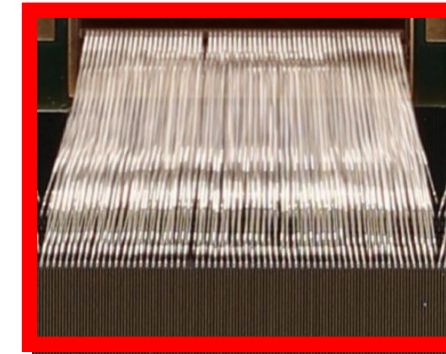
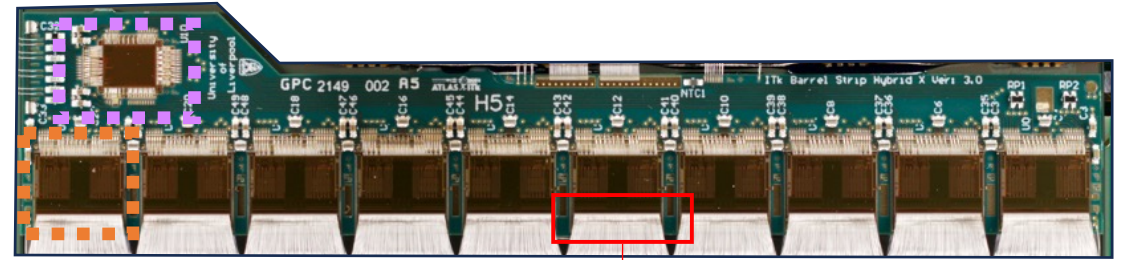
Measurement and control

HV switch

HV filter

Barrel module PB layout

Hybrids



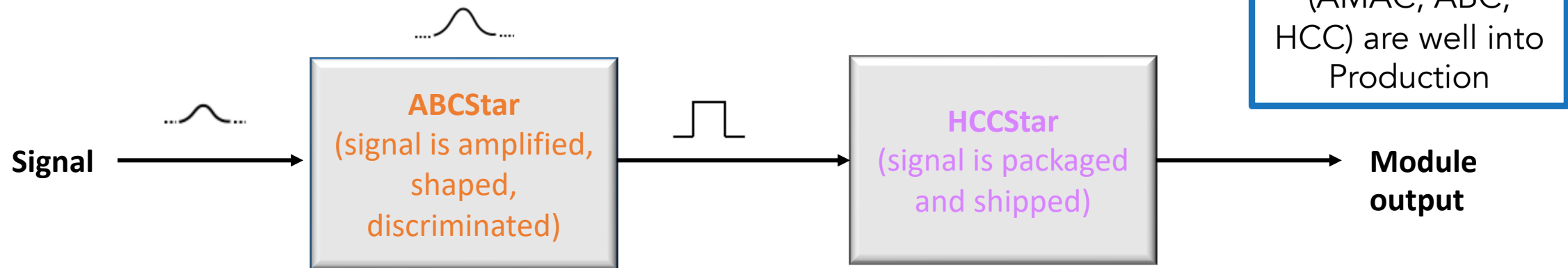
Wire bonds from each strip to ABC

7-12 ATLAS Binary Chips

- Front-end chips
- 256 channels
- Read analog signals from sensor and provide binary per strip readout

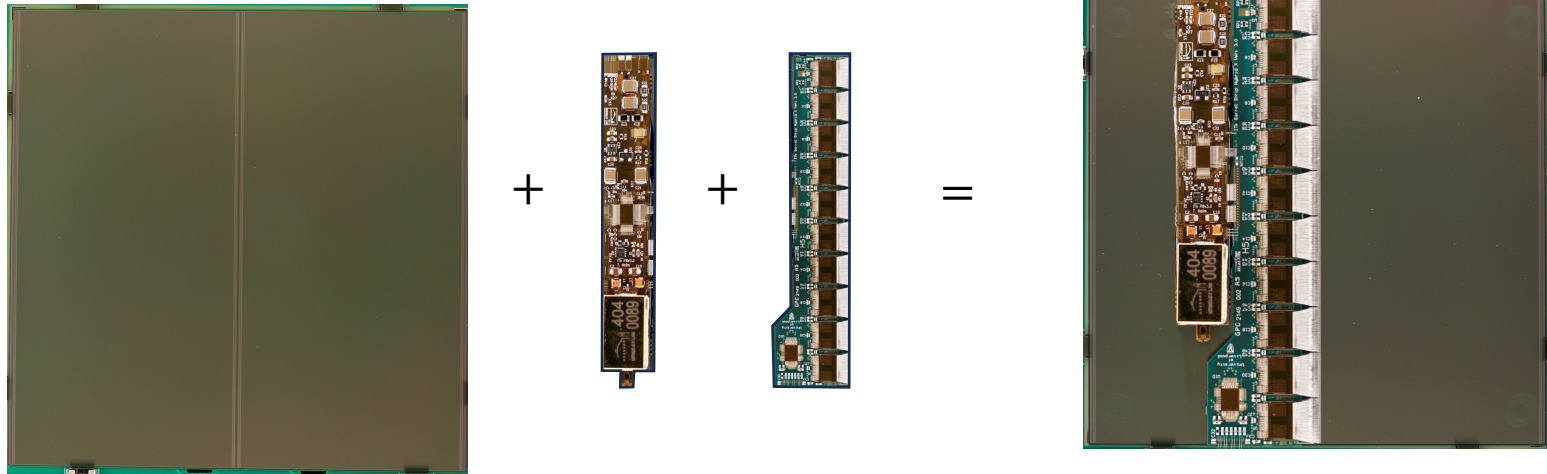
0-2 Hybrid Controller Chips

- Sends data from ABCs out of the sub-detector
- Distributes bunch crossing clock and control signals to ABCs



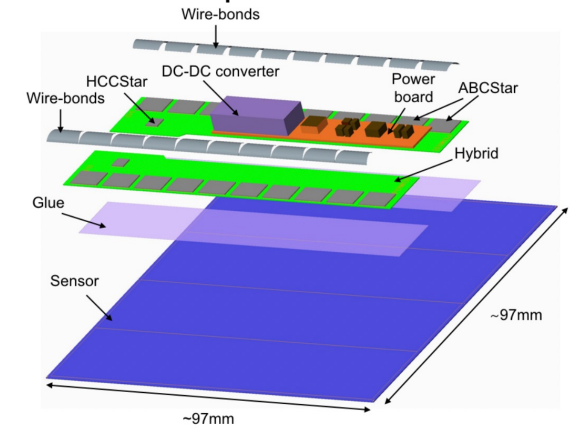
Modules

- 1-2 sensors, 1-4 hybrids, 1 power board
 - Hybrid(s) & power board glued directly onto the sensor
- Biased up to -500V
- Production-ready, contingent upon resolution of "cracking" problem (slide 13)

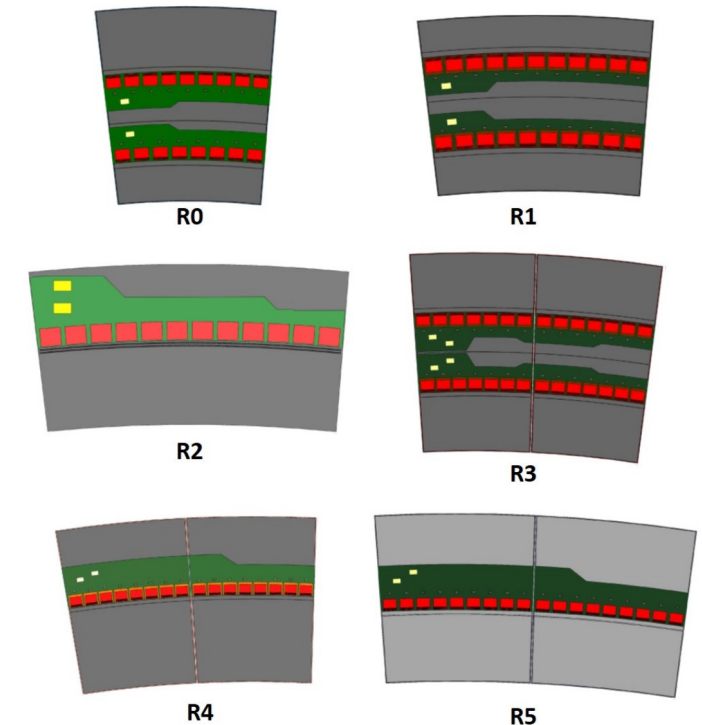


Long Strip Barrel module

Short Strip Barrel module



Endcap modules



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Local support structures

Staves (barrel)

- Modules rotated $\pm 26 \text{ mrad}$ wrt beamline
- 28 modules/stave
- 392 total staves

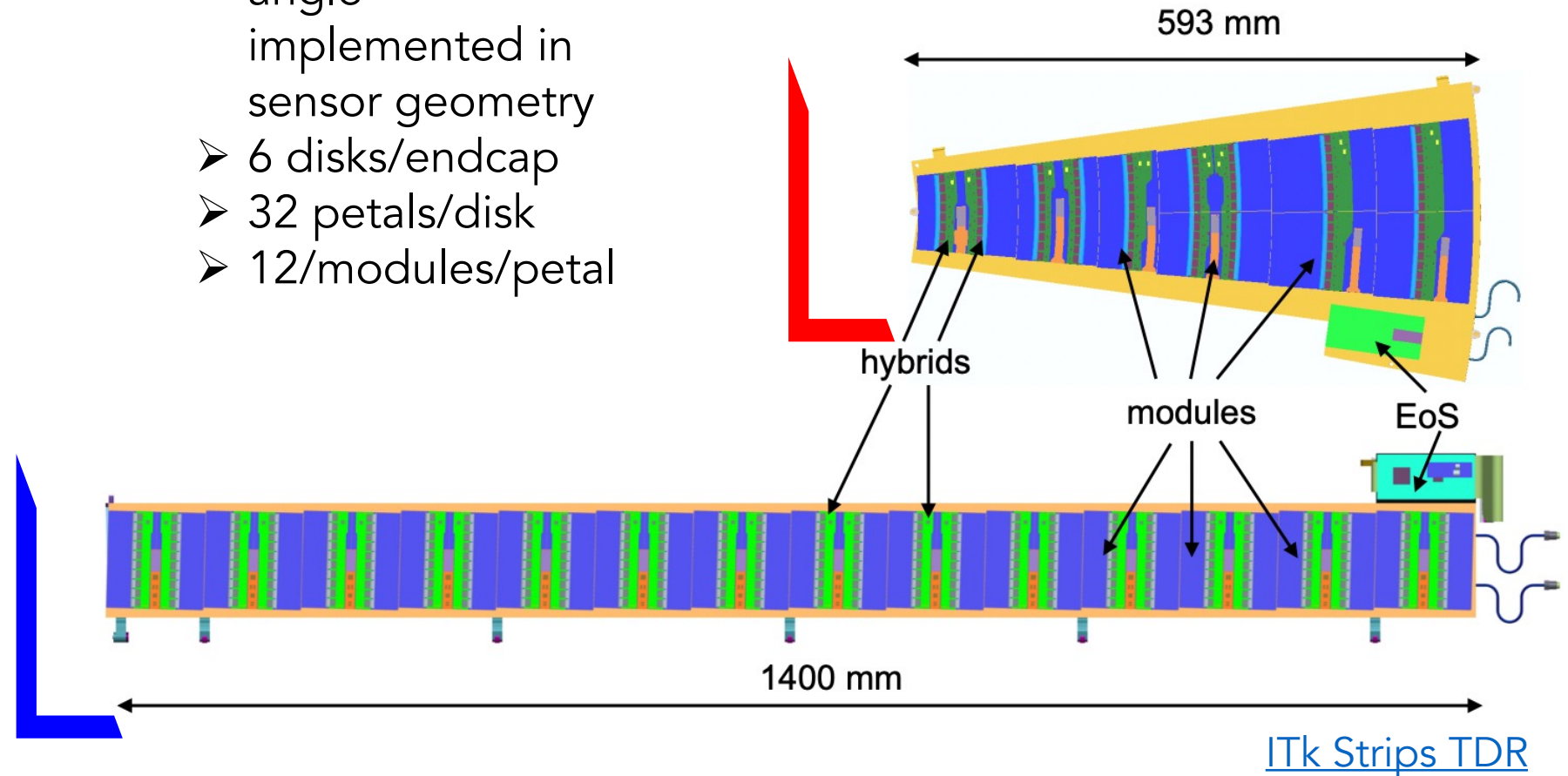
Petals (endcaps)

- $\pm 20 \text{ mrad}$ stereo angle implemented in sensor geometry
- 6 disks/endcap
- 32 petals/disk
- 12/modules/petal

End of Substructure Card

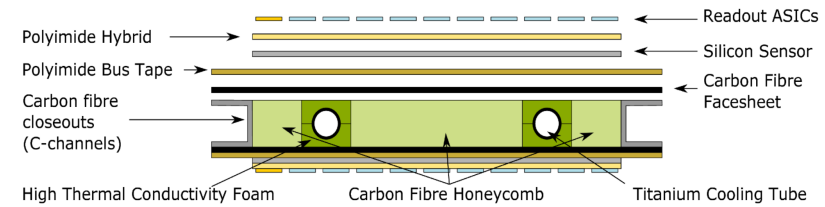
- VTRx+: fibre-optic driver/receiver package
- lpGBT: associated electrical transceivers
 - communicates with off-detector electronics

Total staves
+ petals =
776

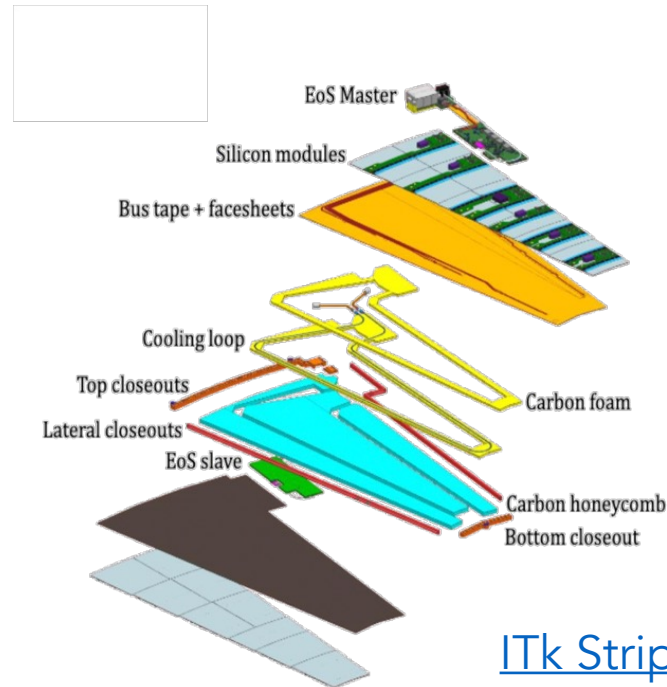
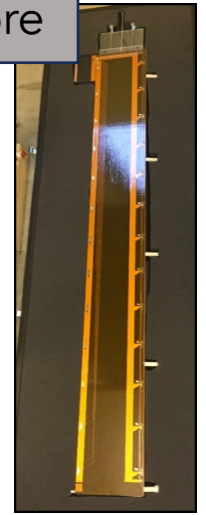


Local support structures

- Modules are glued onto a lightweight carbon fiber support structure (core)
 - Mechanical support and thermal conductivity
 - Ti pipes for cooling
 - Copper/Kapton bus tape routes electrical services for modules



Stave core



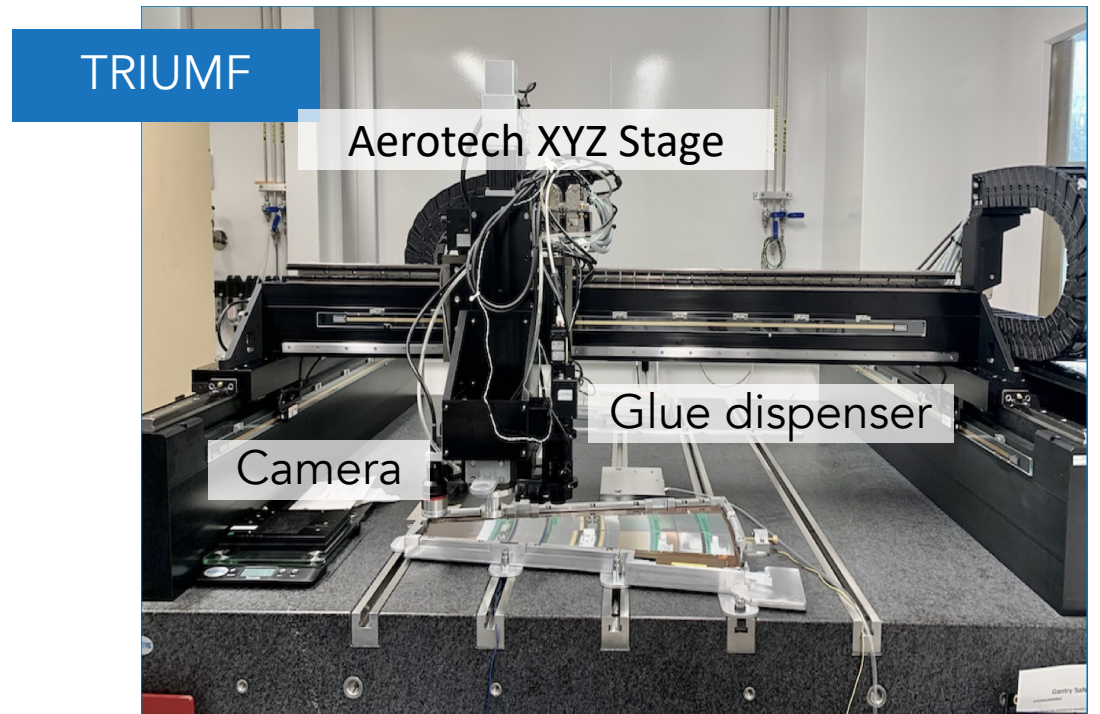
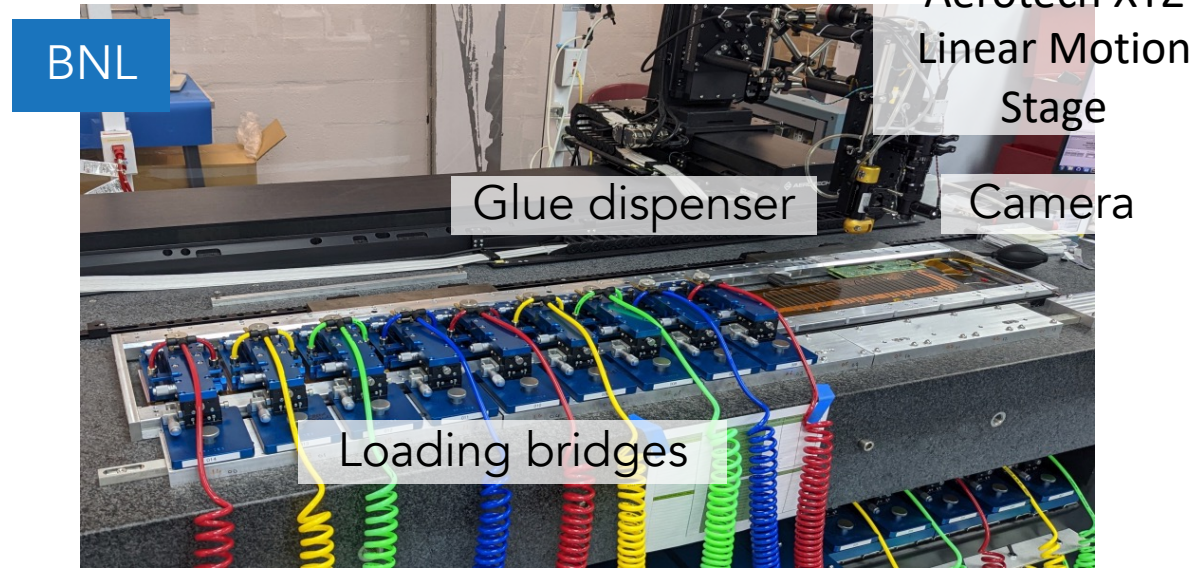
Petal core



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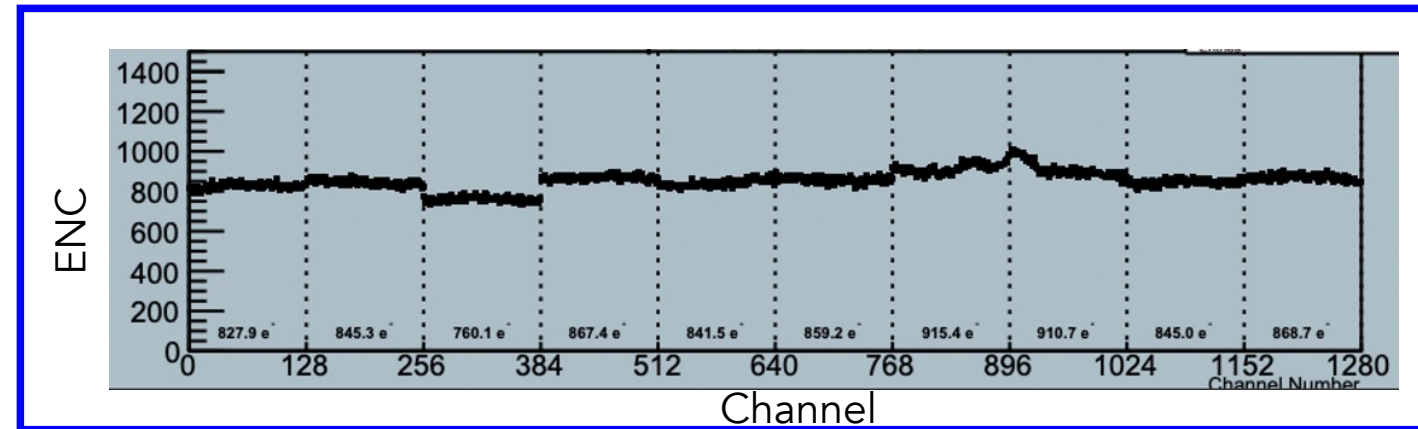
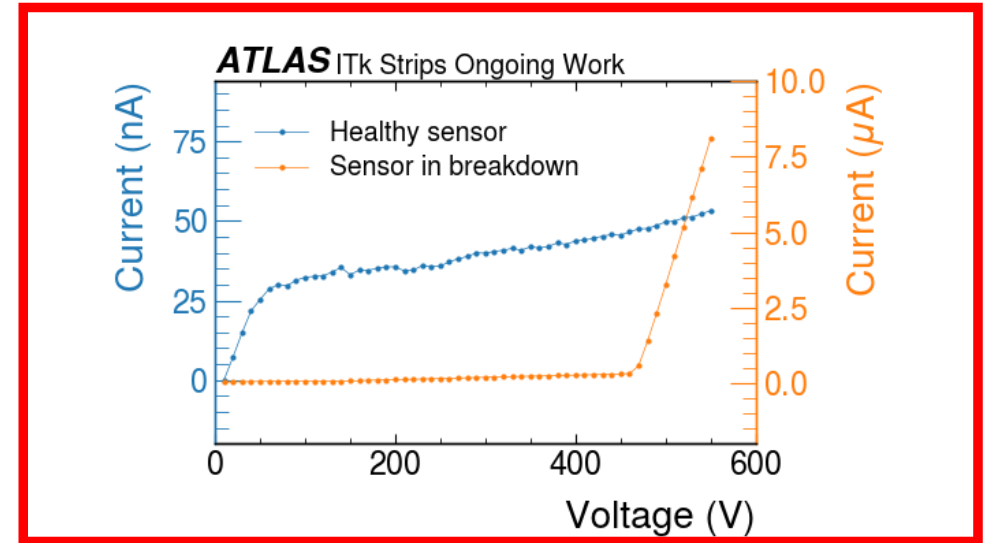
Stave/petal loading

- Barrel loading sites: BNL, RAL
 - Different glue patterns + loading bridges
- Petal loading sites: DESY, Freiburg, Valencia, TRIUMF
 - Some difference in procedures, i.e. metrology
- General loading procedure
 - Glue dispensed
 - Modules placed within $50 \mu\text{m}$ accuracy
 - Final XYZ metrology scan



Quality control

- Modules + staves/petals must be **extensively tested at every stage**
 - Visual inspections + metrology
 - Hybrid burn-in
 - IV curves + electrical tests
 - Thermal cycling
- Electrical tests for QC
 - **HVret current as a function of bias voltage (IV scans)**
 - Calibrate front-end timing
 - Ensure channel uniform response
 - **Characterize noise**



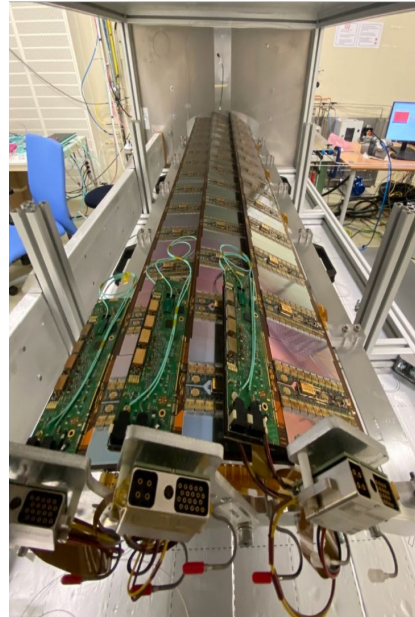
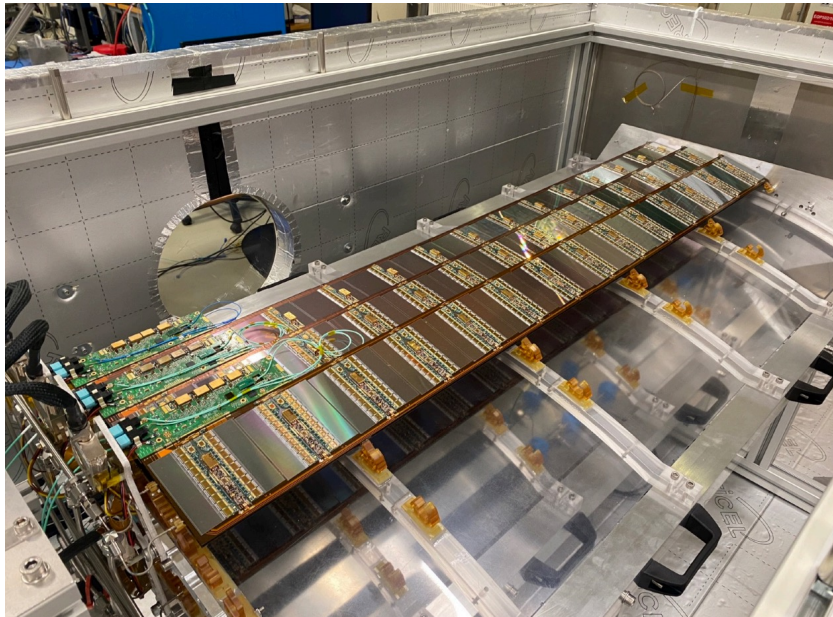
Tests done at room temp and -35 °C

System tests

- Tests production chain with final parts and cooling
 - Powering chain, cooling infrastructure, electrical services, interlocks, DAQ systems...
- Used for long term DAQ and DCS development

[Barrel system test @ CERN](#)

- Hosts up to 8 staves
- 4 already installed



[Endcap system test @ DESY](#)

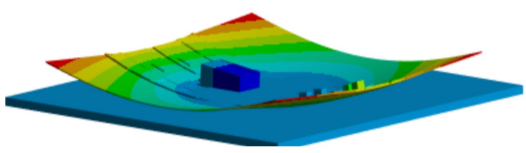
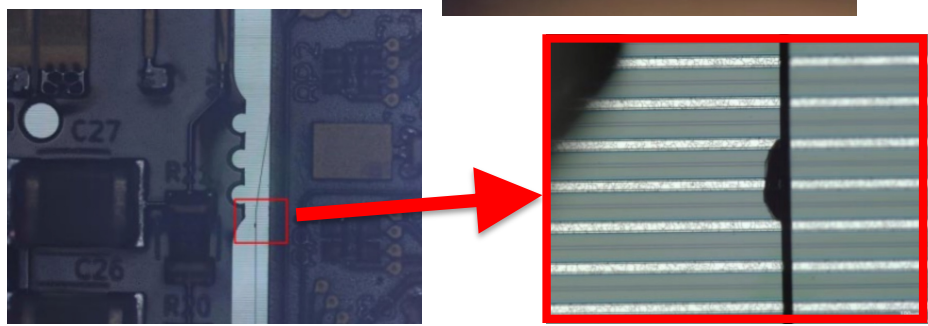
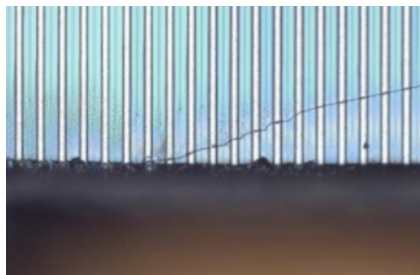
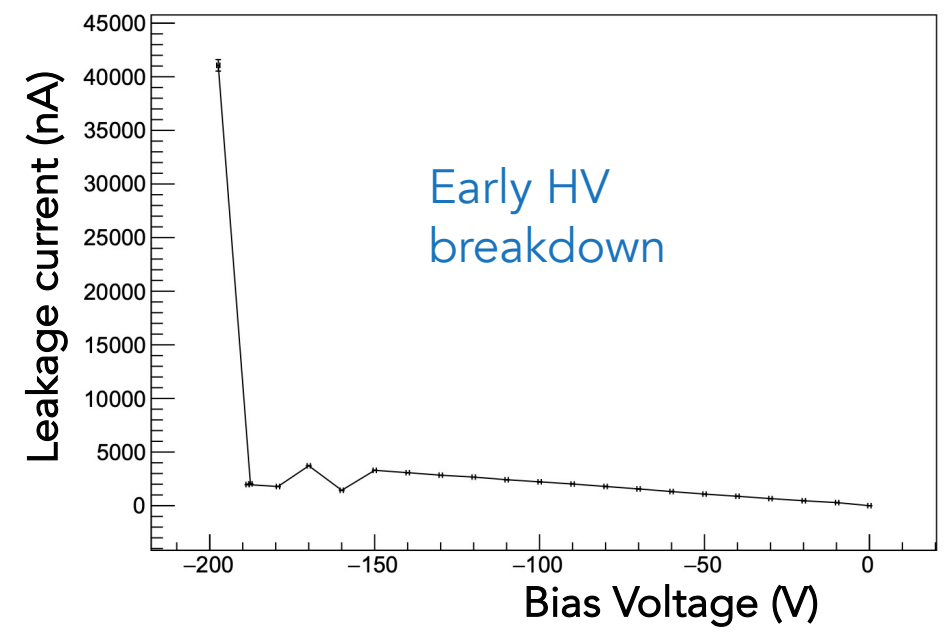
- Hosts up to 12 petals
- 1 installed



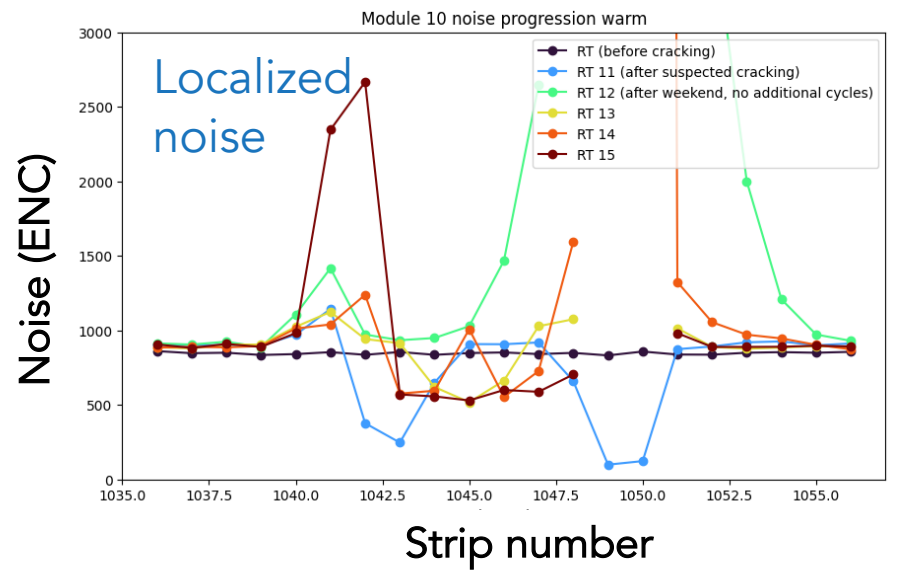
Sensor cracking

- Early HV breakdown on a fraction of modules during stave and petal cold tests, accompanied by noisy channels
 - Developed only after mounting on cores
 - Cracks typically around hybrid(s) and power board
- Coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) mismatch between electronics, glue, and sensor
 - Hybrids and power board contract more than the sensor, causing curling
 - Sensor cannot curl up when glued to the support structure
- **Module production halted while testing remediation strategies**

Electrical signatures of cracks



Free sensor (before stave loading)



Sensor cracking remediation

Hysol loading glue

- Use more rigid hysol glue to load modules onto staves/petals
- Stress reduction in simulation O(50%)
- Staves and petals still exhibit cracking when cycles 10 times to -35 °C



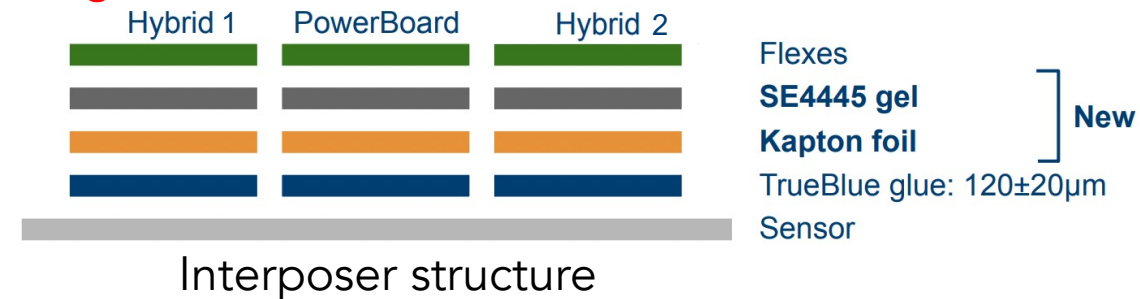
Staff loading with Hysol @ BNL

Wide gap modules

- Increase gap between hybrid and power board
- Not applicable to all module types
- Stress reduction in simulation O(10%)
- Hysol + wide gap module stave cycled 50x to -35 °C without cracks
 - Followed by cracking at -45 °C

Interposers

- Kapton interfaces between hybrid/power board flex & glue
- Stress reduction in simulation O(85-90%)
- Interposer modules, staves, + petals in development
- One interposer stave side cycled 10x to -45 °C without cracks

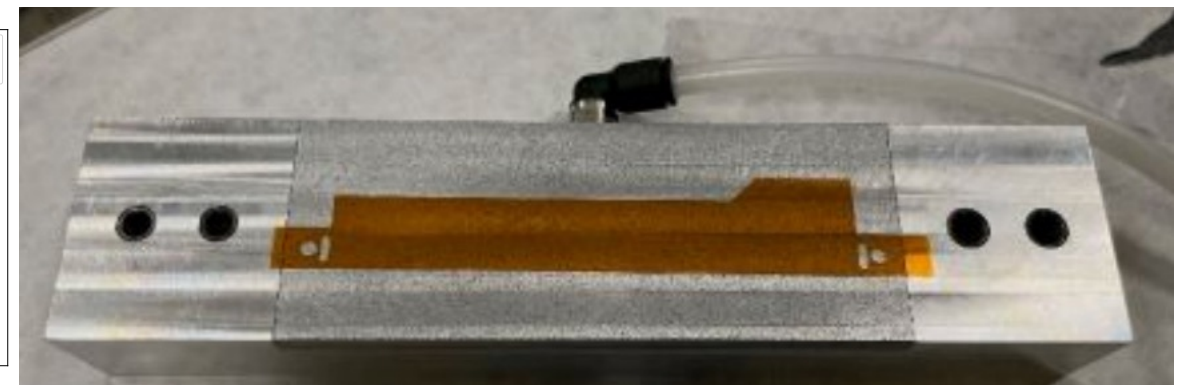
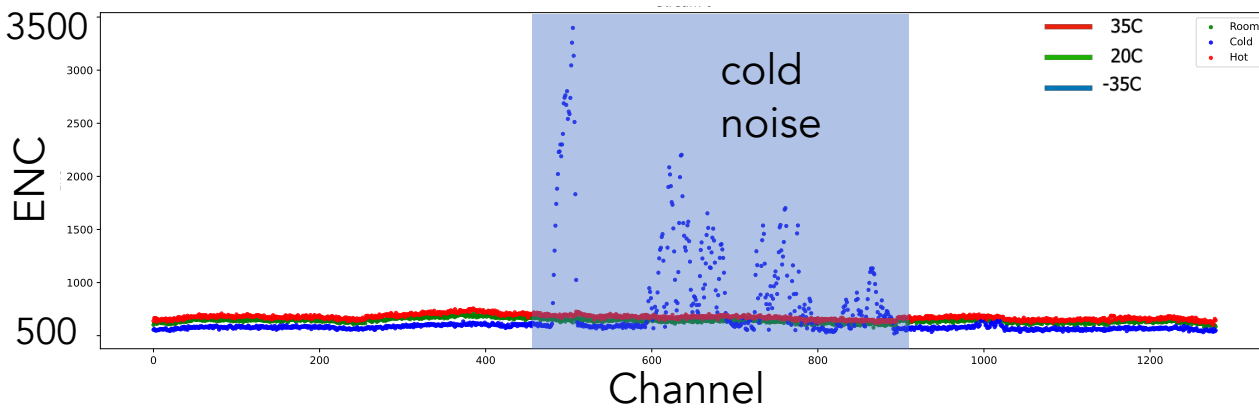
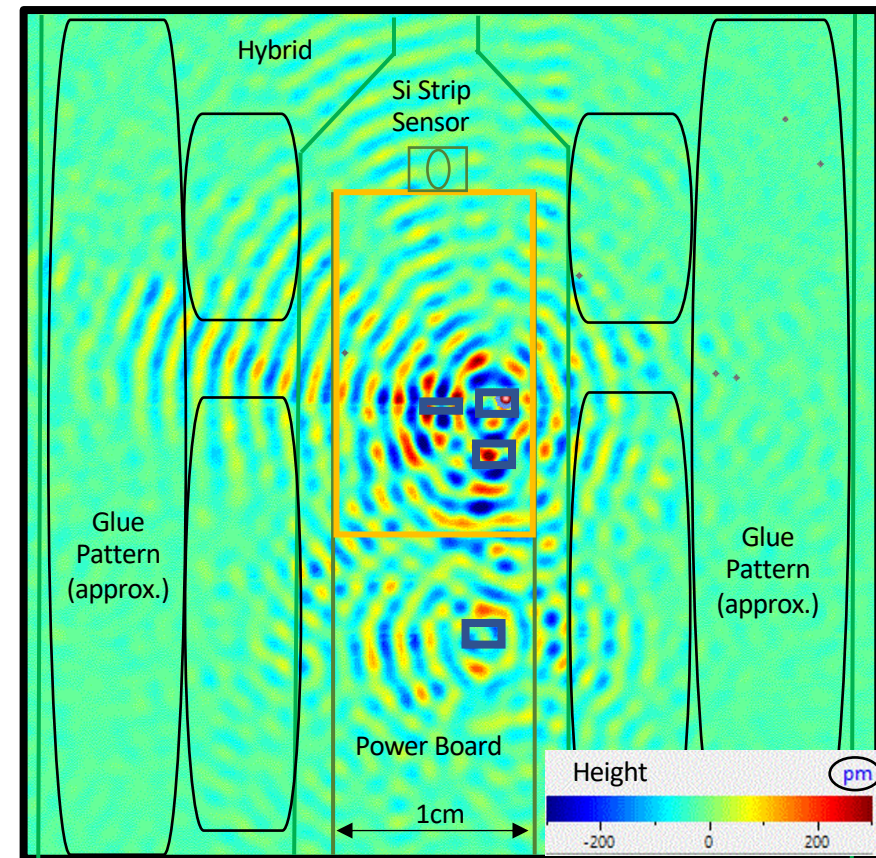


Cold noise

[Matt Kurth and Ian Dyckes TWEPP2023 talk](#)

- High noise below 0°C observed during module QC
 - Only strips under PB and hybrid affected
- Source determined to be capacitor vibrations on PB

Interposers for crack mitigation have been shown to eliminate cold noise!

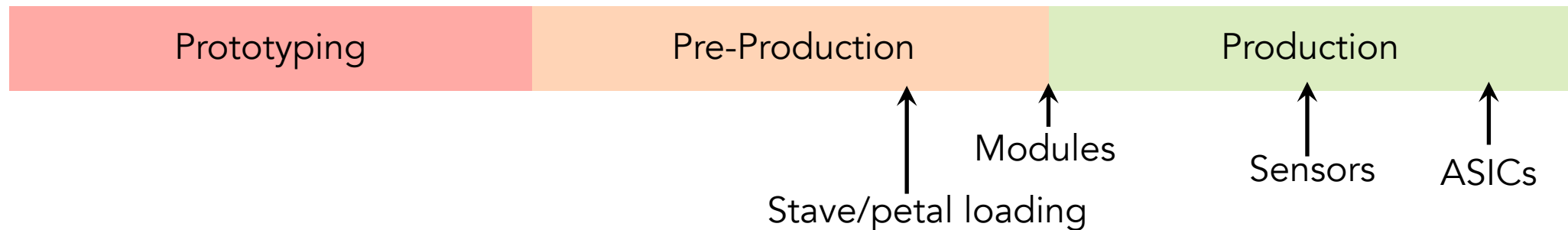


Kapton interposer for barrel module

Conclusions

- ITk will deliver similar or better tracking performance in the harsh HL-LHC environment
- Lots of work done so far
 - Years of prototyping and pre-production
 - Developed rigorous QC procedures and solved many problems along the way
- We are almost fully in production!
 - ITk Strips is in production or entering production for all components
 - ASICs and most sensors already manufactured
- Solving lingering issues
 - Cold noise mitigated
 - Cracking: promising use of interposers
- Let's build our detector! 😊

Looking forward to Production and Installation!



Backup: stave noise plots

Noise plots for one side of an LS barrel stave (14 modules)

