### SCIPP and RD50

- Greetings from the SCIPP group!
  - I have been around for only 10 workshops but I immediately realized it's a fantastic collaboration
  - I feel honored to start off the last session of RD50
- Words from Hartmut: "we can compare the friendly, collegial, supportive atmosphere within RD50 shown in the talks with the one we try to maintain at SCIPP."
- Let's continue working together in DRD3!
  - Maybe with a workshop in sunny California





# Fabrication of DJ-LGAD in RD50



- Proposed Fabrication within RD50 of DJLGAD at FBK
  - Establishment of deep junction technology using epitaxial growth
- 12 institutes are contributing to the production
- Approved few months ago, I thank RD50 for the support!
- First short loop production (Epitaxial growth) will start soon

Deep-Junction LGAD to achieve high granularity and radiation hardness

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Total project	101.600 €
RD50 request	50.000 €

# Synchrotron light source X-ray detection with LGADs

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# LGADs for X-rays detection

- LGAD tested for X-ray detection at the **SLAC** Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Light source **(SSRL)** 
  - <u>https://www-ssrl.slac.stanford.edu/</u>
- X-rays of energy in a wide range: 5 70 KeV

• Why LGADs?

- LGADs are thin: fast charge collection, higher repetition rate
- LGADs have gain: detection of low energy X-rays
- Studied energy linearity/resolution, time resolution, gain suppression
  - Both for LGADs, PIN and AC-LGADs
- Collaboration of SCIPP and U. Sao Paolo (DOI 10.1088/1748-0221/18/10/P10006)







#### Sensors studied

- 50 um-thick HPK LGADs and PIN produced for ATLAS and CMS (old production)
- 20 um-thick BNL LGAD
- 50 um-thick BNL strip AC-LGADs
- Sensors mounted on 1ch "SiGe" Santa Cruz boards or FNAL 16ch boards
  - Read out by 13GHz oscilloscope or CAEN 16ch DT5742

\*Thanks to G. Giacomini and W. Chen for providing the BNL sensors!

Device	Producer	BV	Thickness	Gain layer	Geometry
HPK 3.1	HPK	$230\mathrm{V}$	$50\mu{ m m}$	shallow	$1.3 \mathrm{x} 1.3 \mathrm{mm}^2$
HPK 3.2	HPK	$130\mathrm{V}$	$50\mu{ m m}$	deep	$1.3 \mathrm{x} 1.3 \mathrm{mm}^2$
HPK PIN	HPK	$400\mathrm{V}$	$50\mu{ m m}$	no gain	$1.3 \mathrm{x} 1.3 \mathrm{mm}^2$
BNL 20um	BNL	$100\mathrm{V}$	$20\mu{ m m}$	shallow	$1.3 \mathrm{x} 1.3 \mathrm{mm}^2$
BNL AC-LGAD 10mm	BNL	$250\mathrm{V}$	$50\mu{ m m}$	shallow	$5 \mathrm{x} 10 \mathrm{\ mm}^2$
BNL AC-LGAD 5mm	BNL	$250\mathrm{V}$	$50\mu{ m m}$	shallow	$5 \mathrm{x5} \mathrm{mm}^2$







# SSRL apparatus

- SSRL beam line 11-2
  - Energy 5-35 KeV, with harmonic 2x component
  - Energy resolution  $\Delta E/E \sim 10^{-4}$
  - Monochromator to filter harmonics
- Beam size: 25x1mm
- Beam structure: 4 groups of 70 bunches
  - 10 ps length (RMS)
  - Separated by 2.1 ns
- Triggered on timing signal with low jitter



13 GHz oscilloscope for readout (Keysight UXR 13GHz, 128 Gs/s)



# Results – energy response

- The signal maximum (peak) is used as estimator for X-rays energy
  - Using pulse area gives roughly the same result
- Baseline correction\* is applied to reduce fluctuation from amplification circuit
  - Signal peak at least  $> 7\sigma$  noise
  - Time separation between peaks at least 2.1 ns
- Using mean(μ) and width(σ) of the Gaussian fit to the peaks distribution:
  - Energy response:  $\mu$
  - Energy resolution:  $\sigma/\mu$



\* S.-J. Baek, A. Park, Y.-J. Ahn and J. Choo, Baseline correction using asymmetrically reweighted penalized least squares smoothing, Analyst 140 (2015) 250–257.

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#### Results – Energy linearity



### Results – Energy resolution

• Energy resolution between 5-10%, lower at very high gain, best at medium-low gain



#### Gain mismatch

• The gain measured with X-rays is not in agreement with the one measured using a Sr90 beta source (MiP-like deposition)



E.g. HPK 3.1 at 200V Gain from 30 KeV X-ray ~10 But expected for MIPS ~20

(A MiP should be around 20-30 KeV)



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### TCAD simulations – gain mismatch

- Effect can be explained by the different kind of ionization (line vs spot charge deposition)
- TCAD simulation of the two types of ionizations shows the factor  $\sim$ 2 gain suppression we see in data
- Also seen in TCAD simulation depositing 2x 20KeV photons and a single 40KeV photon
  - Two photon deposition should not be the same as the harmonic X-ray with twice the energy
  - Gain suppression is local in time (few hundred ps) and space (< 5 um)



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Slightly sub-linear

#### Results – time resolution

- Measured as CFD20% time of arrival of two peaks with 2.1 ns separation
- Distribution is fitted with a Gaussian, sigma is time resolution
- Results are quite worse than LGAD performance with MIP (sub 50 ps)





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# Why the bad time resolution?

- The major time walk effect from photon absorption at different depth inside the sensor contributes to the time resolution
  - PIN is not affected by the delay (current is istantaneous)
- Using 20% CFD reduces the effect but doesn't remove it completely
- The absorption depth also affects the gain of the device
  - Tmax vs Pmax plot in data shows correlation
  - Absorption on the back has more gain due to charge cloud expansion during drift



0

0.5

1.5

t<sub>may</sub>[ns]

-2 -1.5 -1 -0.5

50

-2.5

20



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#### AC-LGADs

- AC-LGAD sensors tested in the same beam line with 16ch FNAL board and CAEN DT5742 16ch digitizer
- Since beam is broad there's no information on position
  - AC-LGADs rely on charge sharing
  - But from TCT studies on the same devices the response is know: everything is mostly contained in 3 strips
- Searching for events with one middle strip with higher response than its two neighbors and no response on the remaining strips
  - Sum the three pulses to get the total energy response
- Energy response roughly linear as expected
  - Energy resolution between 12% and 21%, slightly worse than DC devices
  - Better for 5cm device with reduced charge sharing







## Next steps

- Next test beam scheduled for February 2024
  - (Actually was scheduled for February 2023, but there was a unexpected SSRL shutdown)
- Beam line 7-2 with focused beam (50x100um)
  - Allows for better study of standard LGADs (beam is always contained in the sensor)
  - Test of LGAD array interfaces
  - AC-LGAD can be studied properly using the rough position information
- Tentative measurement of Compton response using a SiPM trigger/tag
  - Tried in previous test beam but unsuccessful
- Other areas in SSRL can go to sub-KeV
  - Eventually test LGADs suitable for that



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# Conclusions

- LGAD show very promising performance for the detection of X-rays in synchrotron facilities
- Energy resolution between 6% to 20%, tested down to 5 KeV
  - LGADs can detect even down to few KeV (limited by entry window)
- Time resolution is between 50 to 200 ps, worse than with MIPs
  - Effect of deposition depth and drift to the gain layer
- Easily resolve the 500 MHz repetition rate
- A gain reduction effect was observed for X-rays in comparison to MiP due to charge deposition profile

	HPK PIN	HPK3.1		HPK3.2		BNL 20um	
Bias V	$200\mathrm{V}$	$150\mathrm{V}$	$230\mathrm{V}$	80 V	$130\mathrm{V}$	$50\mathrm{V}$	$100\mathrm{V}$
Energy Resolution	14%	6%	17%	10%	20%	6%	16%
Energy Response	$19\mathrm{mV}$	$75\mathrm{mV}$	$185\mathrm{mV}$	$68\mathrm{mV}$	$211\mathrm{mV}$	$66\mathrm{mV}$	$147\mathrm{mV}$
$\sigma_t \operatorname{CFD}$	$78\mathrm{ps}$	$141\mathrm{ps}$	$123\mathrm{ps}$	$371\mathrm{ps}$	$171\mathrm{ps}$	$69\mathrm{ps}$	$65\mathrm{ps}$



# Backup

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## Low Gain Avalanche Detectors

- Sensors envisioned for the ATAR are Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (LGADs)
- LGAD: silicon detector with a thin (<5  $\mu m$ ) and highly doped (~10^{16} P++) multiplication layer
  - High electric field in the multiplication layer,
- LGADs have intrinsic modest internal gain (10-50)
  - Gain =  $\frac{Q_{LGAD}}{Q_{PiN}}$  (collected charge of LGAD vs same size PiN)
  - Not in avalanche mode  $\rightarrow$  controlled tunable gain with applied bias voltage
- Great hit time resolution and fast full collection time



#### LGAD arrays

- Granularity is a current limitation for LGADs
- Due to high fields in the multiplication layer the pads needs electrical insulation
  - Protection structure: Junction Termination Extension (JTE)
  - Causes inter pad (IP) gap to 50-150um, also changes with applied bias voltage
  - Limits LGAD granularity to mm scale
- However 50um pitch (and lower) is required for next generation colliders and 4D tracking
  - At least same level as the ATLAS new inner tracker (ITk) needed
- Several possible solutions are being investigated by the community
  - AC-coupled (RSD) LGADs, Trench insulated LGADs, inverted LGADS...







- One possible explanation to this is related to the generated e-h density and the gain layer E-field relaxation process.
- This variation of E-field depends on the generated e-h paris density per unit distance.
- MiP generates less e-h paris per unit distance comparing to point-like X-rays deposition.



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