# A field line focusing drifter for GridPix (tracking) TPCs 

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GridPix: best tiling now

For TPC readout: dead regions due to non-perfect tiling

- perfect tiling possible with Si-Medipix ReLaXd at the cost of through-vias
- dead regions acceptable for tracking TPCs
- for ILC TPC: no urgency to minimize dead regions


Focus drift field by means of guard electrode to avoid dead regions


## Strong focusing

-cover only 25 of fiducial surface with active pixel chip

- saves \$\$
- saves power, thus cooling, thus radiation length

But: larger effective pixel pitch ( $256 \times 256$ pixels @ $55 \mu \mathrm{~m} \times 55 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ )
$\Rightarrow 110 \mu \mathrm{~m} \times 110 \mu \mathrm{~m}$
Moore'sLaw: smaller pixels in future


Octopuce: attempt to minimize dead regions

- very hard to exchange broken chips
- yield: skip GridPix dicing



## Octopuce



## Renext: relaxd for gaseous detectors

- Quad timepix carrier board for gaseous detectors
- Provides gas enclosure
- Relaxd read




Focusing drifter for Quad TimePix on ReNexd



Extract copper pattern for 3D field calculations

Flat Cable with 16 leads: external potential settings

| 4.540e+002 |
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| 4.209e+002 |
| $3.879 \mathrm{e}+002$ |
| $3.549 \mathrm{e}+002$ |
| $3.219 e+002$ |
| $2.889 e+002$ |
| 2. $558 \mathrm{e}+002$ |
| 2. $228 \mathrm{e}+002$ |
| $1.898 \mathrm{e}+002$ |
| 1.568e+002 |
| 1.237e+002 |



4．933e＋002

4． $490 \mathrm{e}+002$

4．047e＋002
$3.604 e+002$
$3.160 \mathrm{e}+002$
$2.717 e+002$
$2.274 \mathrm{e}+002$
$1.831 e+002$
$1.388 \mathrm{e}+002$
$9.447 e+001$
$5.015 e+001$

Inc:
Time
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Fleatric Patential


## Autocalibration

-get initial $f(X, Y) \rightarrow\left(X^{\prime}, Y^{\prime}\right)$ from 3D e-field
-make scatter plots of residials
-modify $f(X, Y)$ until residuals are minimized

Basic correction: $\mathrm{X}^{\prime}=\mathrm{CX}, \mathrm{Y}^{\prime}=\mathrm{C} Y$
$+E \times B$ effect

## Performance

- requires knowledge of local vectors E, B
- effective pixel size related to electron diffusion
- E x B effect, allthough correctable, may worsen resolution

Plans

- Quad Focus Drifter under construction
- Testbeam @ DESY in August 2013
- Data analysis, Monte Carlo simulation, correction procedure

