

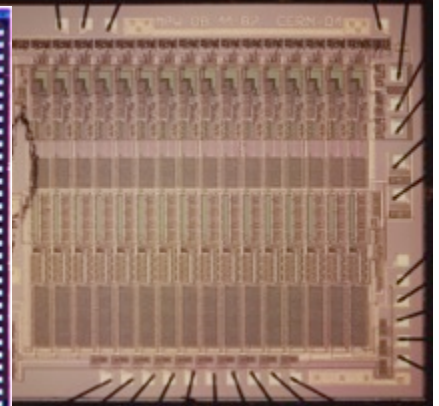
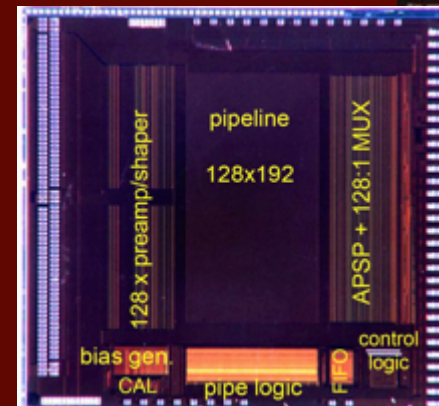
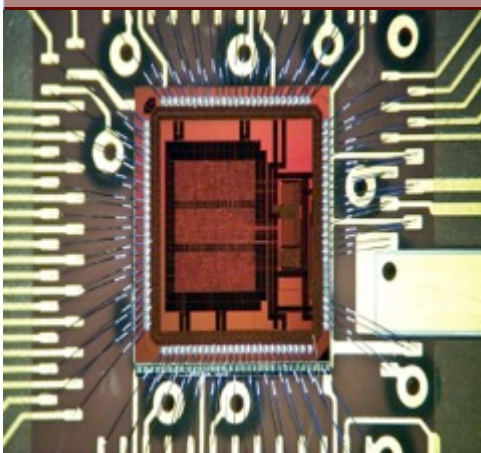
# How Chips Pave the Road to the Higgs Particle: *Chips at CERN*

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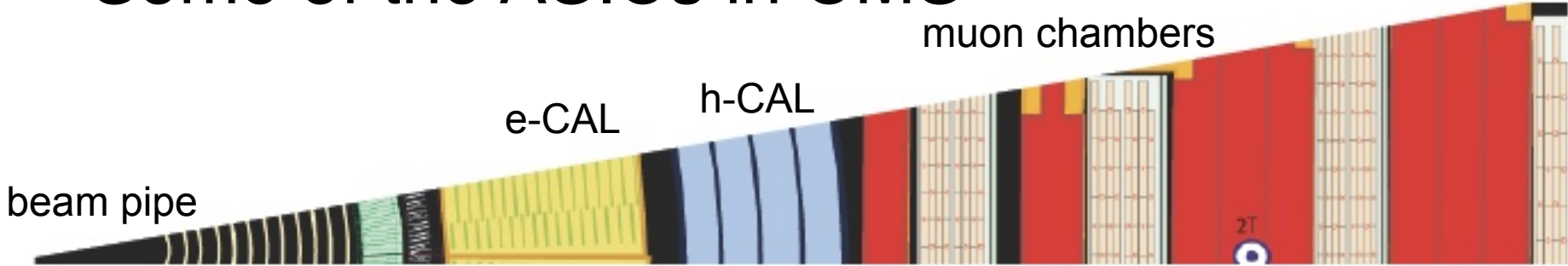


# Experiment is Giant 'Camera' with Magnetic Field

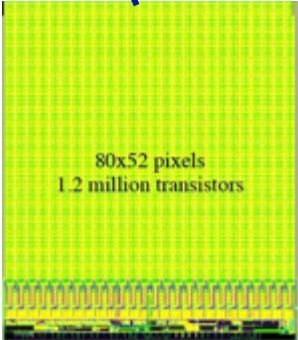


source: CERN - CMS

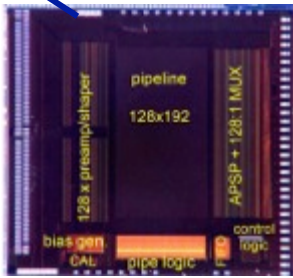
# Some of the ASICs in CMS



pixel detector  
Si strip tracker



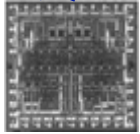
PSI46 pix det  
16 800 chips  
66 M segments  
1 m<sup>2</sup> Si sensor



APV25 Si det  
110 000 chips  
9.3 M segments  
198 m<sup>2</sup> Si sensor



QIE8 calorimeter  
220 400 chips



MAD muon det  
181 000 chips  
25 000 m<sup>2</sup> gas-filled

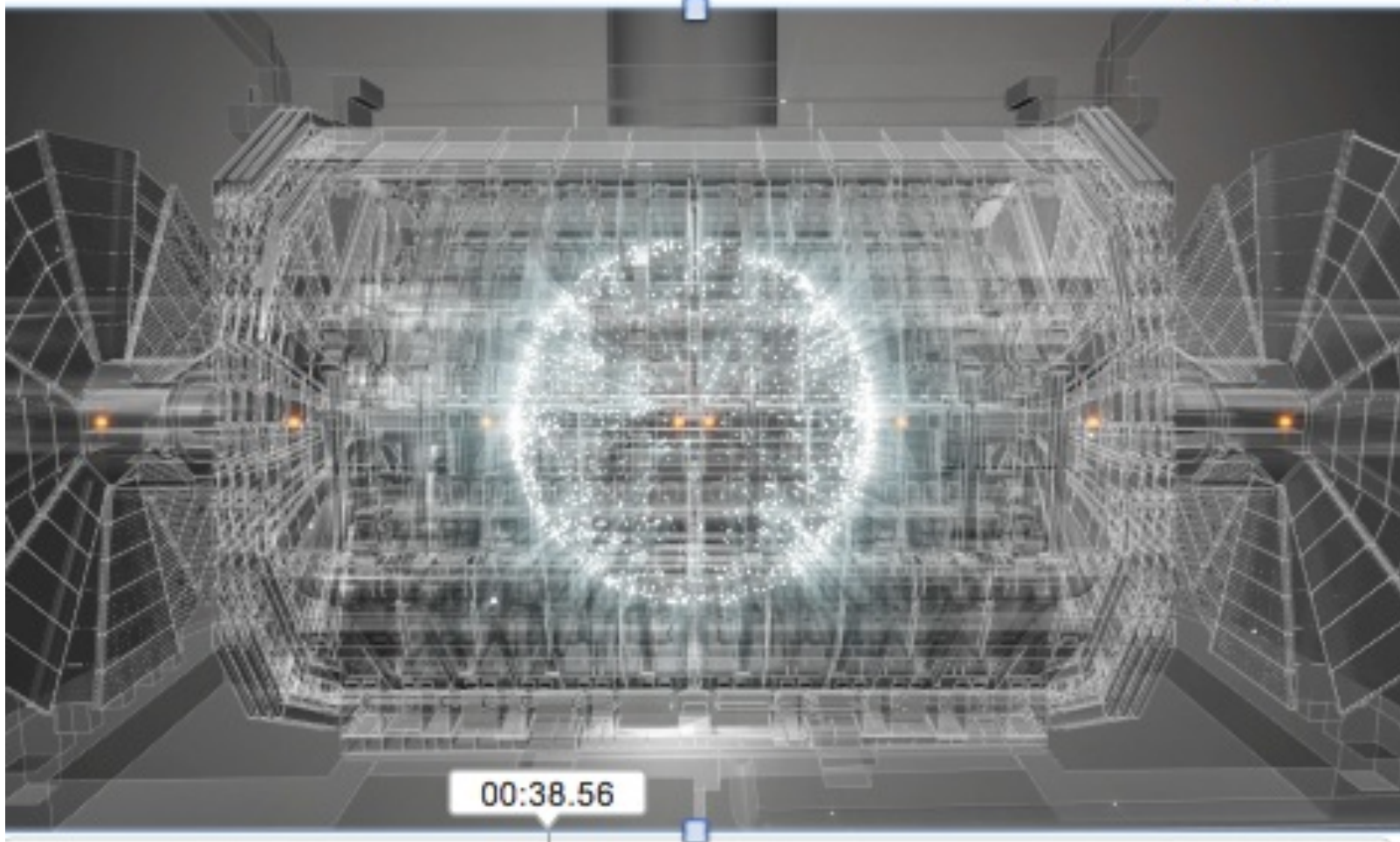
Chips to scale 1 cm

Total CMS  
appr. 1 million chips  
700 000 ASICs

# Animation of Bunch Crossings and Timing

screenshot

~70 sec



source: CERN

# Chip design for CERN experiments

## Highly segmented sensors essential

increasing particle multiplicity

Si lithography provides  $\mu\text{m}$  precision

multiple chains ampli-discr/ADC-SRAM-logic

## Radiation hardness needed

rare good events impose high rates

$10^7$  crossings/s x 100 collisions x  $10^7$  s/year

Start of radhard studies ~1980 NRL, LETI, Sandia, ..

Serious design efforts from 1986 + IMEC/INVOMECE

# Our approach for experiments at CERN

Understand details of our environment

TID, displacements, SEE, (flash?) ...

Understand effects on sensors and chips

leakage currents, threshold shift, gain,..  
instruments, test-chips, irradiation facilities,..

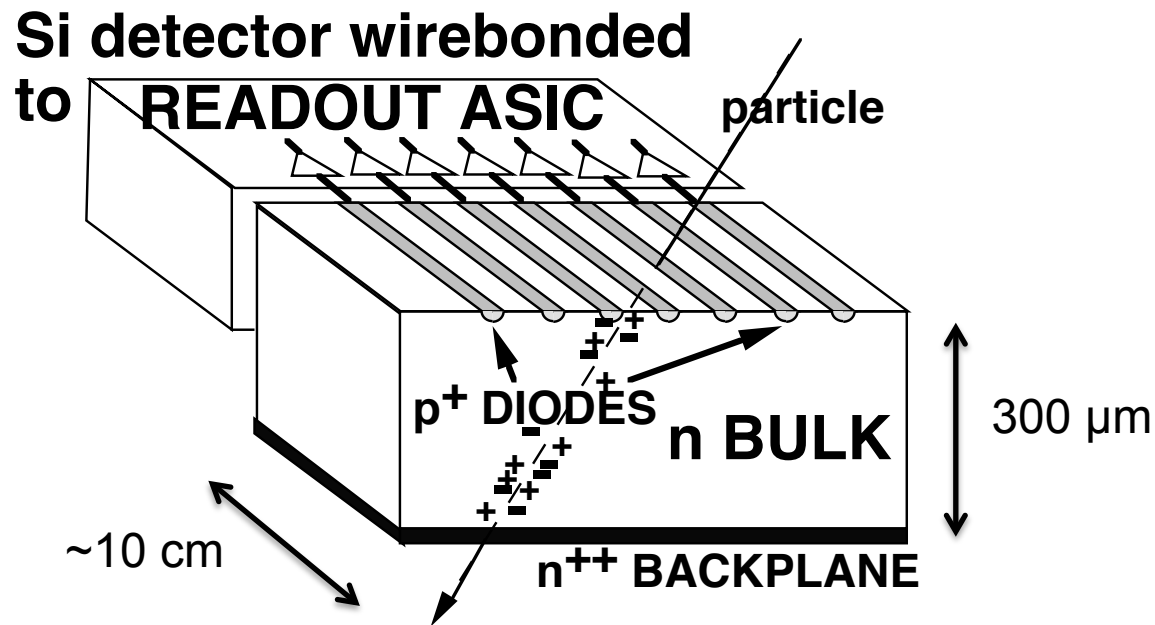
Find implementation to achieve radhard

standard CMOS  
need >10Mrad

Evaluate samples in realistic test situations



# Si Sensors and CMOS Chips

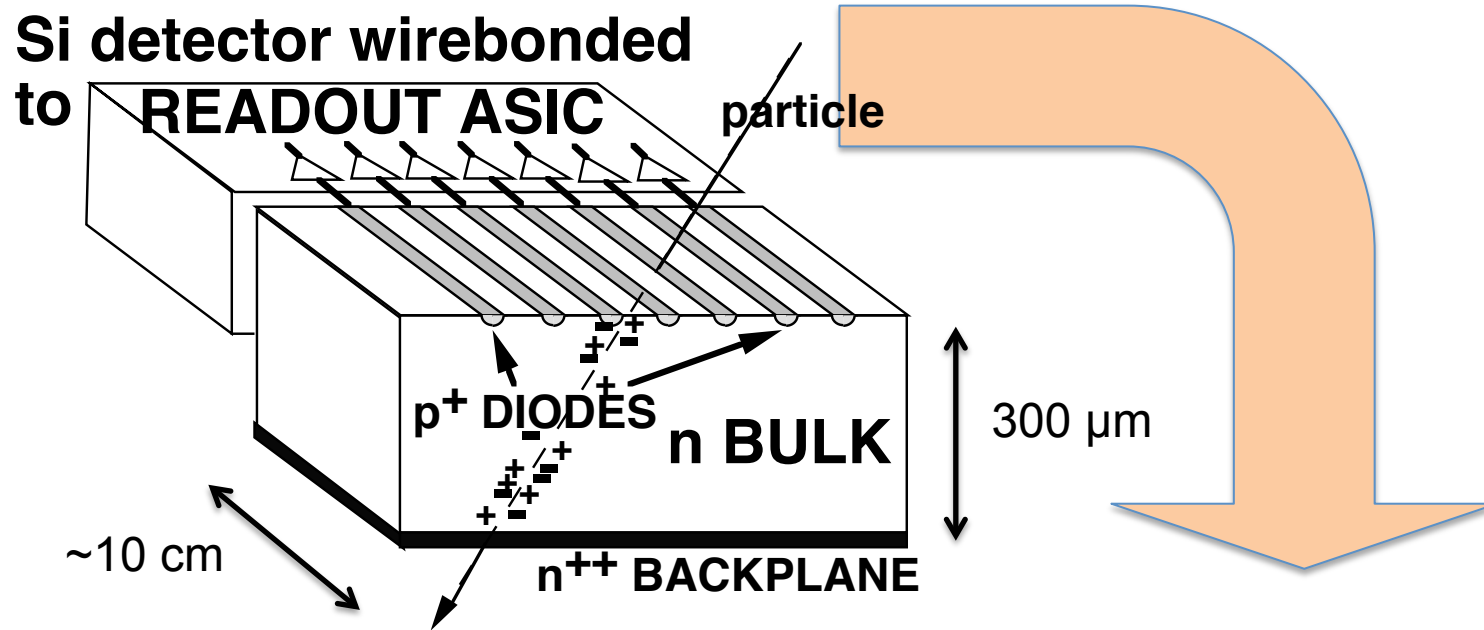


Fully depleted Si Sensor  
divided in parallel strips:  
“Microstrip Detector”

Individual readout chain  
for each segment  
Signal  $\sim 20\,000$  e-h pairs

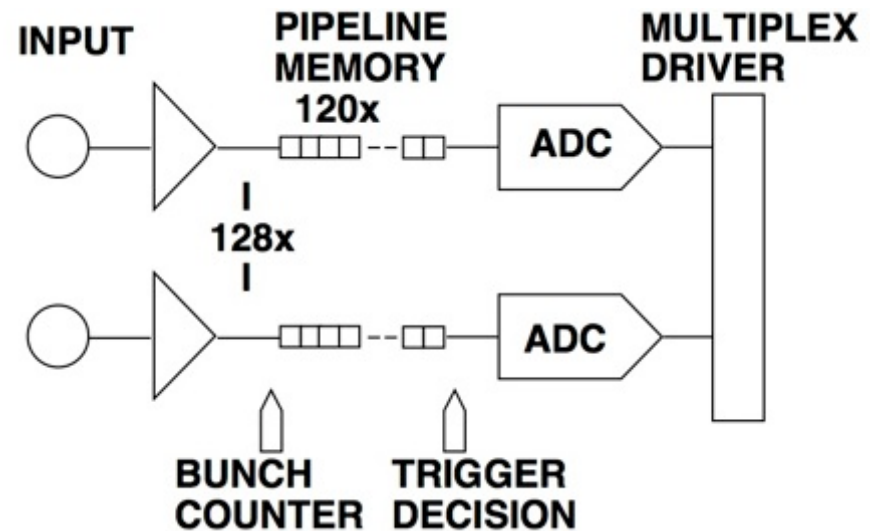


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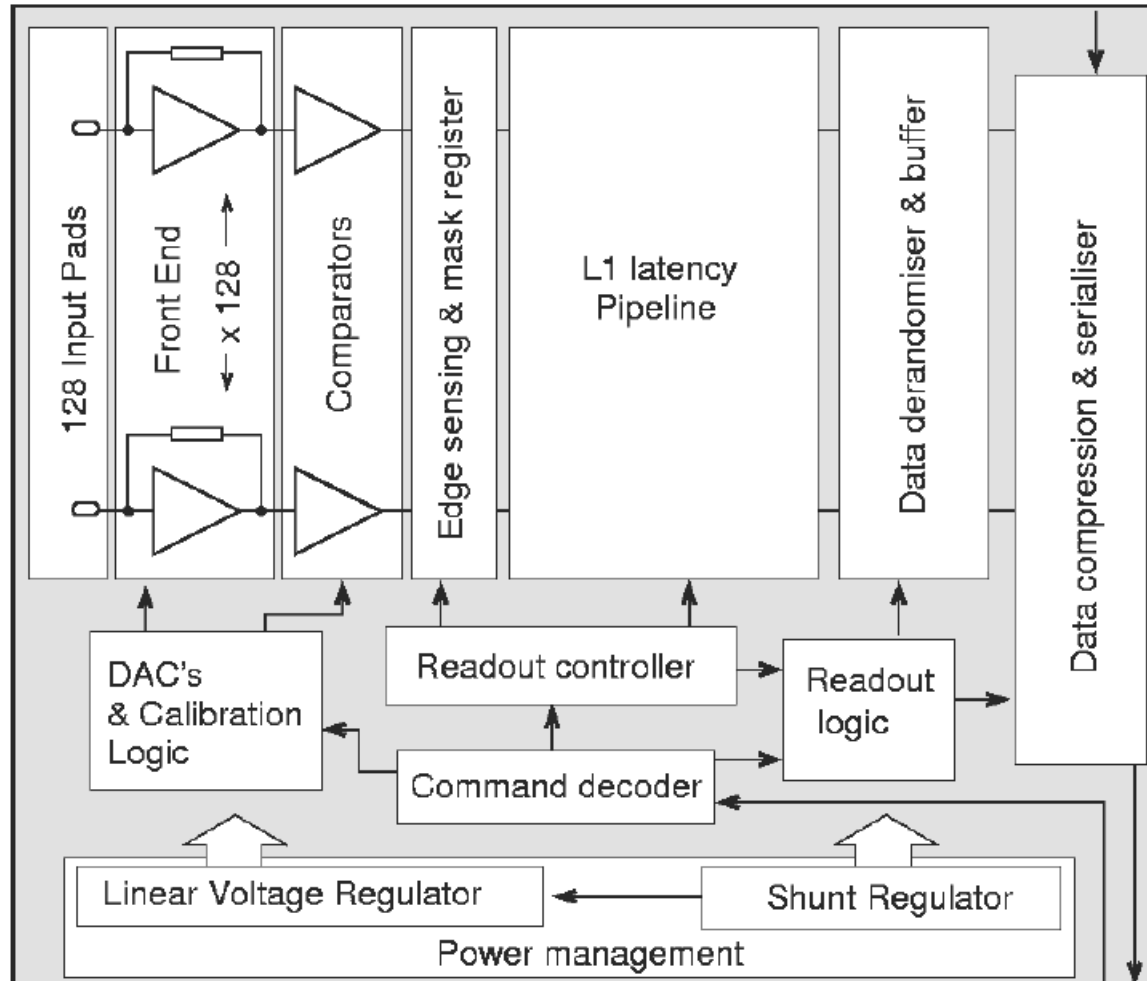
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# ATLAS Si Detector Readout ABCN25

Example

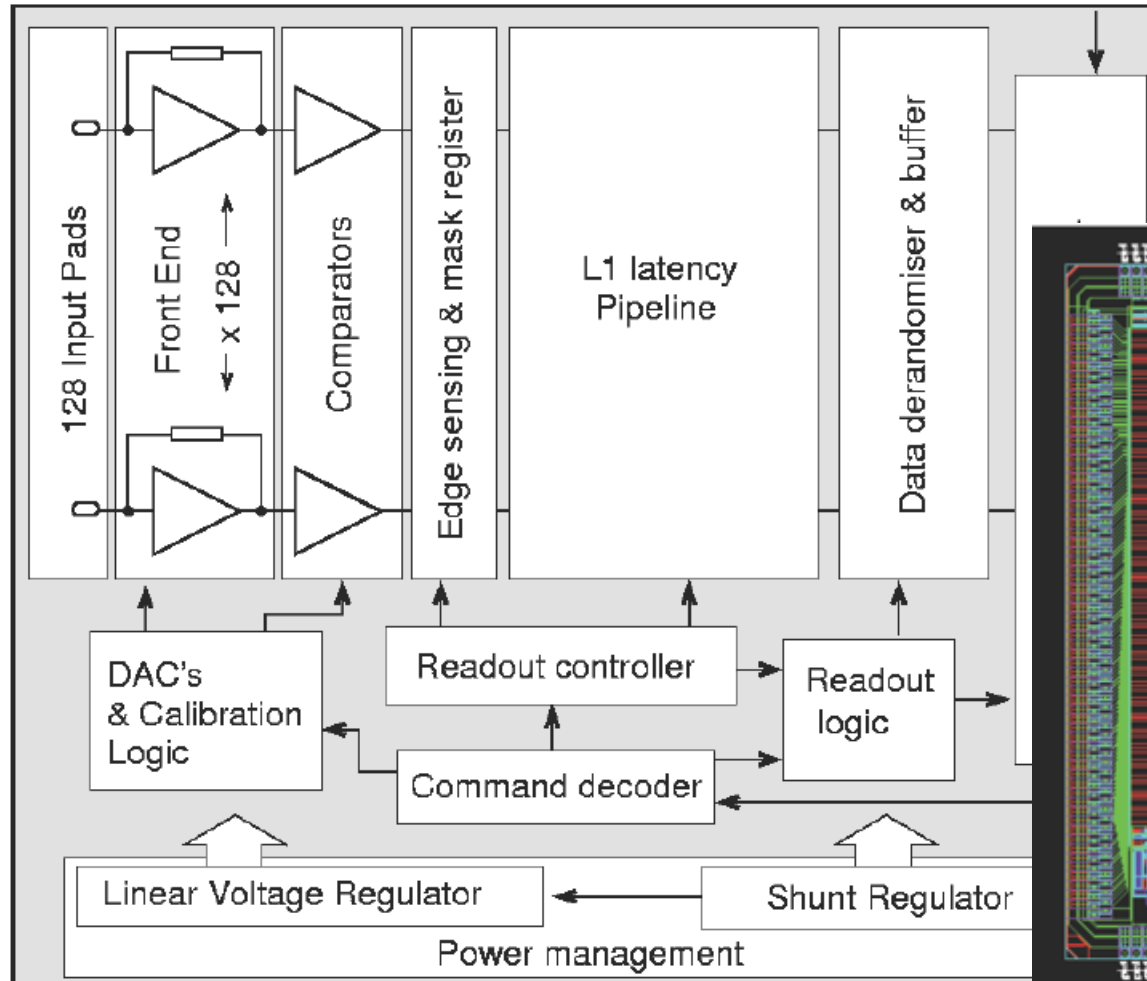


128 parallel channels  
Amplifier + Comparator

Binary Pipeline Memory

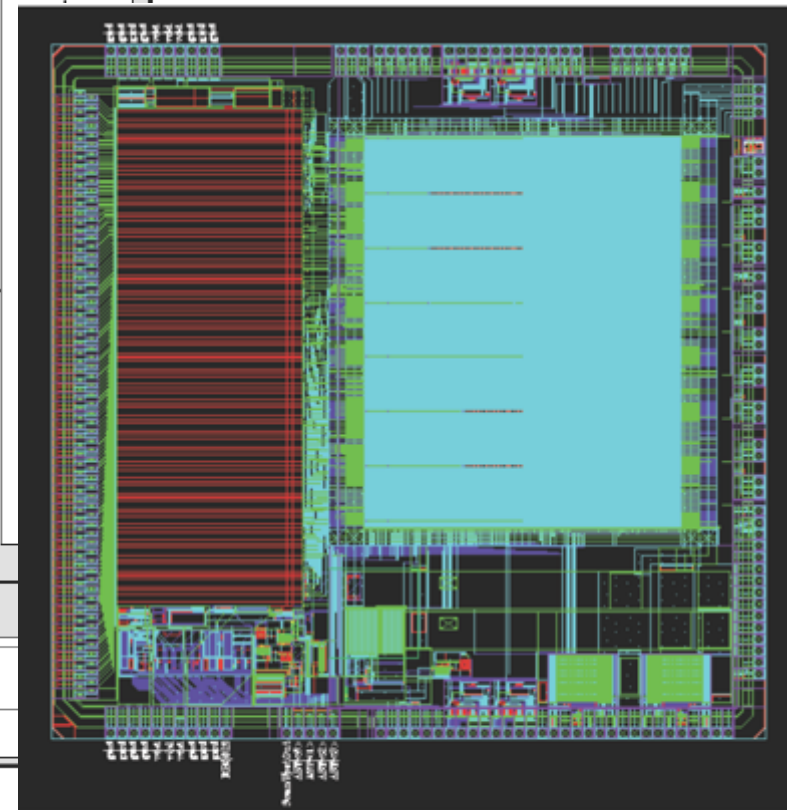
# ATLAS Si Detector Readout ABCN130

Example



128 parallel channels  
Amplifier + Comparator

Binary Pipeline Memory

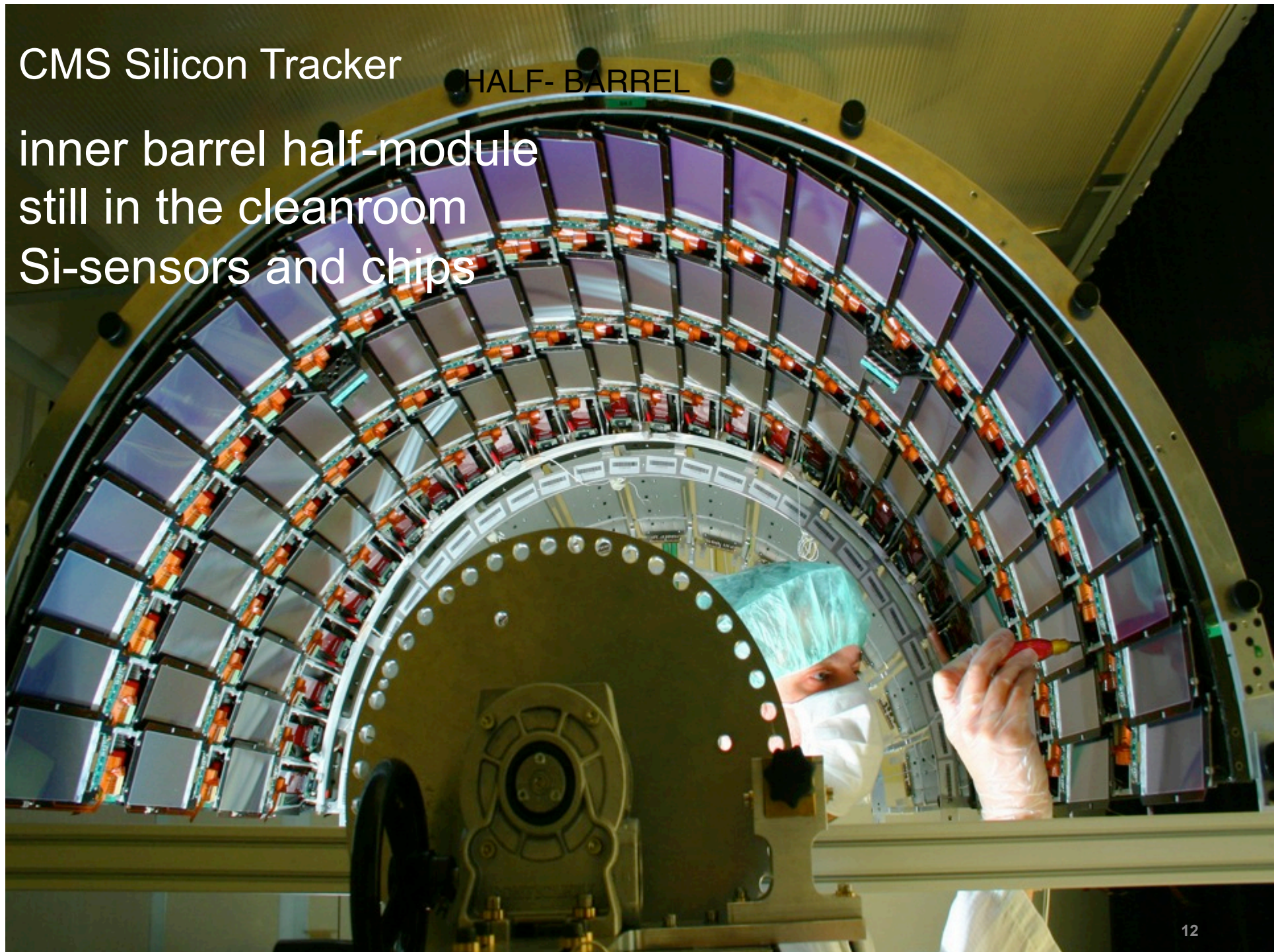


7.7 x 7.5 mm<sup>2</sup> 0.5W

# CMS Silicon Tracker

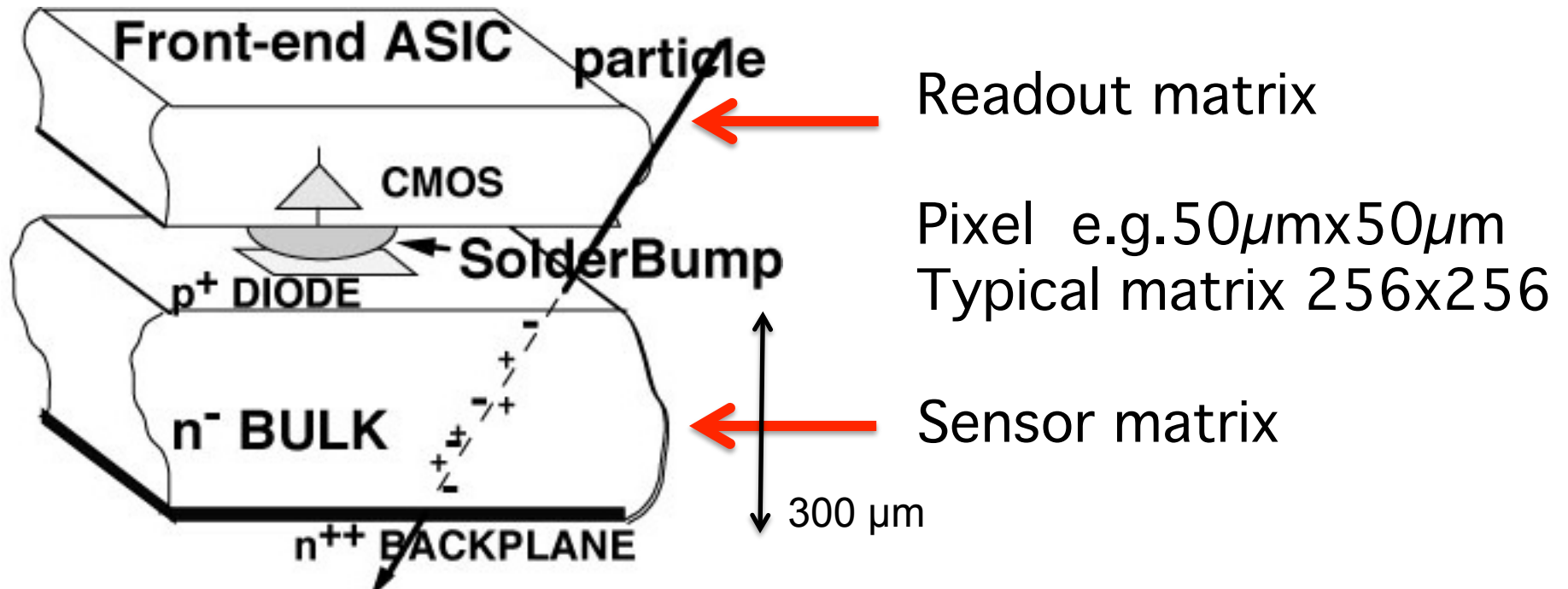
inner barrel half-module  
still in the cleanroom  
Si-sensors and chips

HALF-BARREL

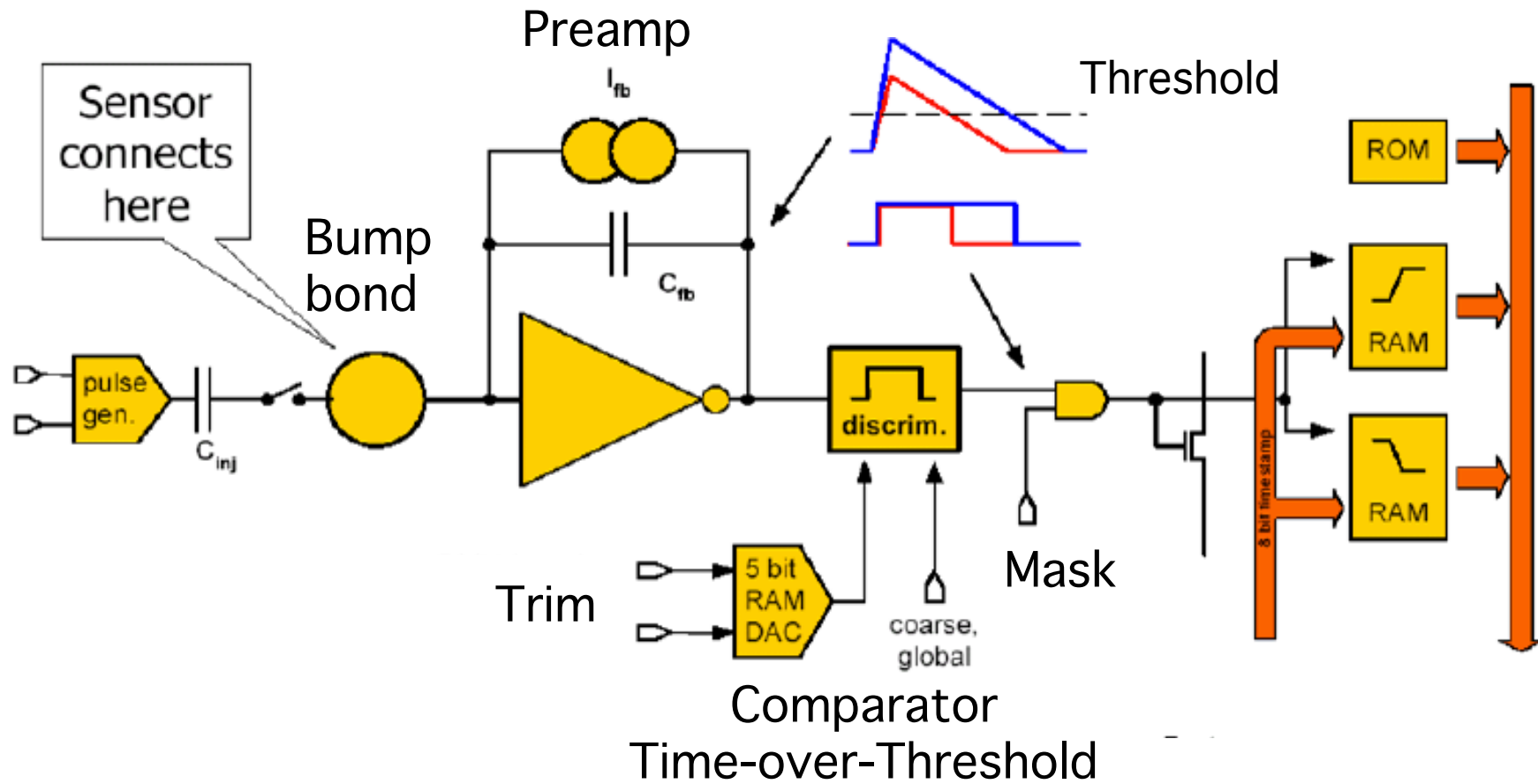


# Hybrid Pixel Detectors

critical development for inner layers  
high precision, high rate capability

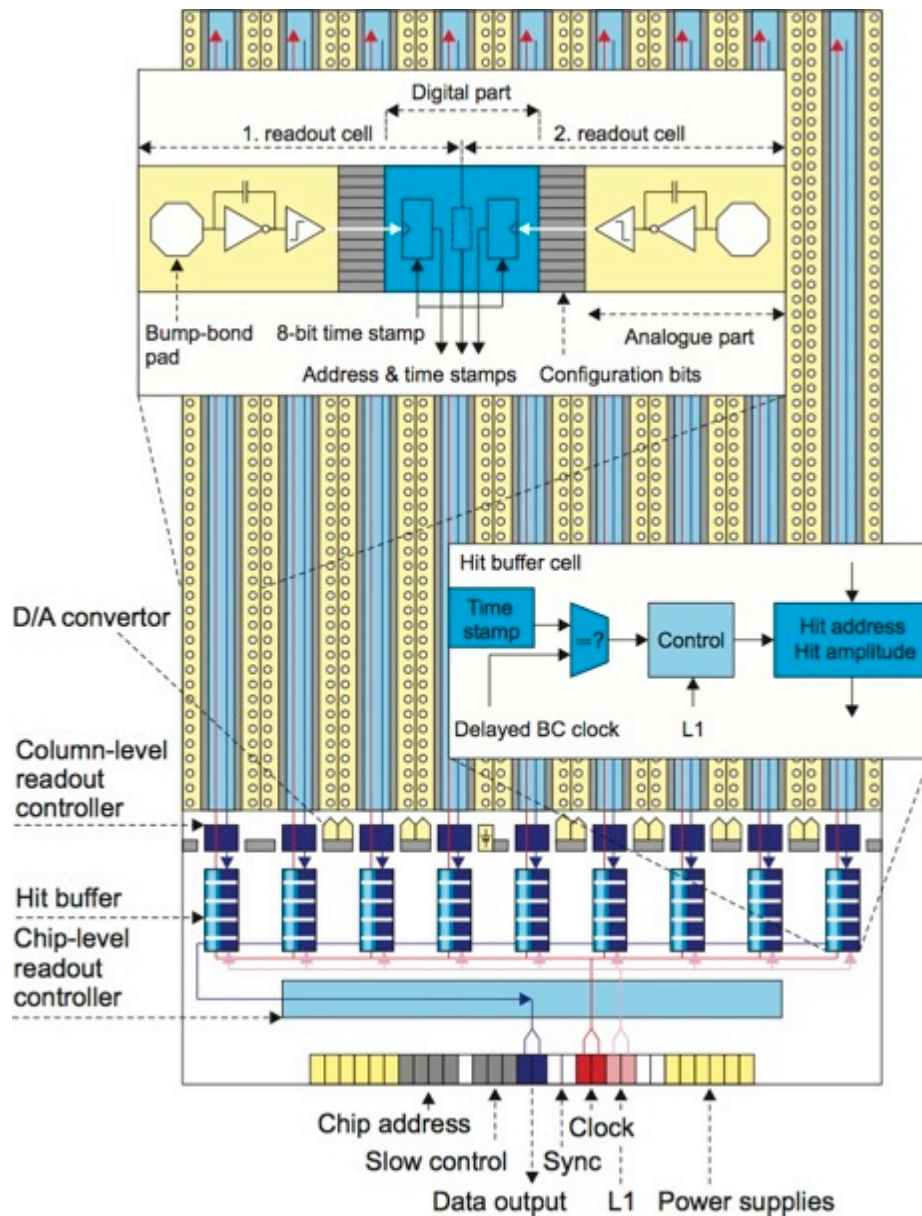


# Block diagram of circuit in ATLAS pixel imager



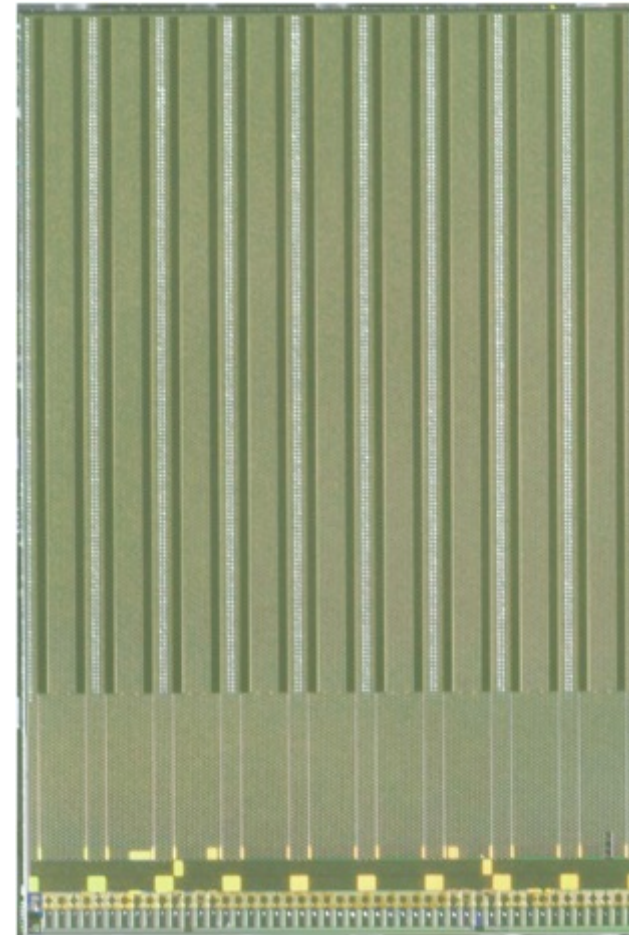
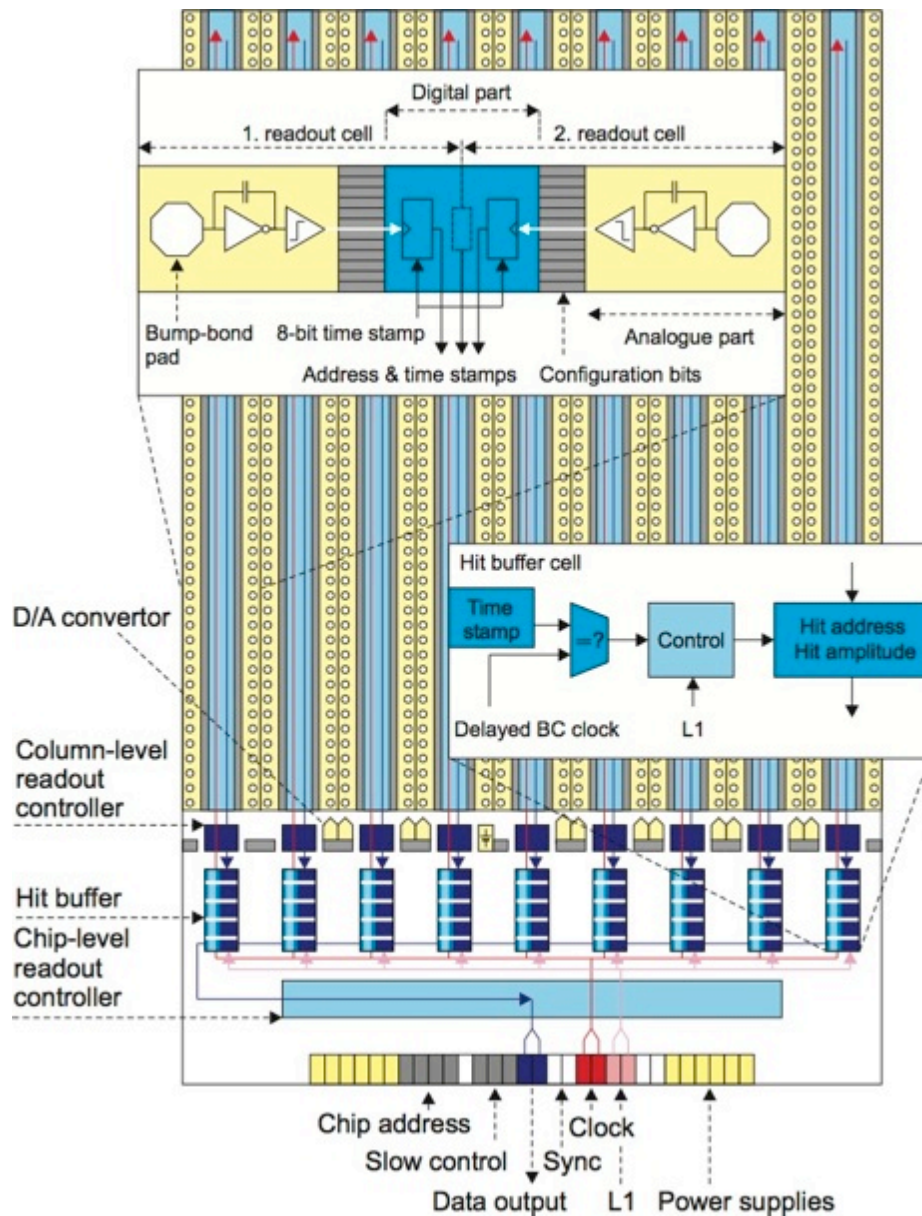
from Garcia, LBNL Berkeley

# Pixel-readout chip “FE-I3” in ATLAS



18 x 160 pixels of  $50\mu\text{m} \times 400\mu\text{m}$

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11 mm

7.4 mm

18 x 160 pixels of  $50\mu\text{m} \times 400\mu\text{m}$

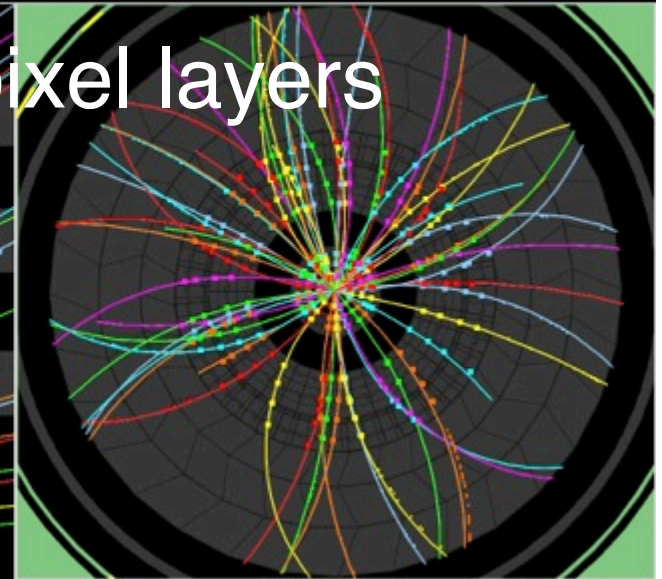
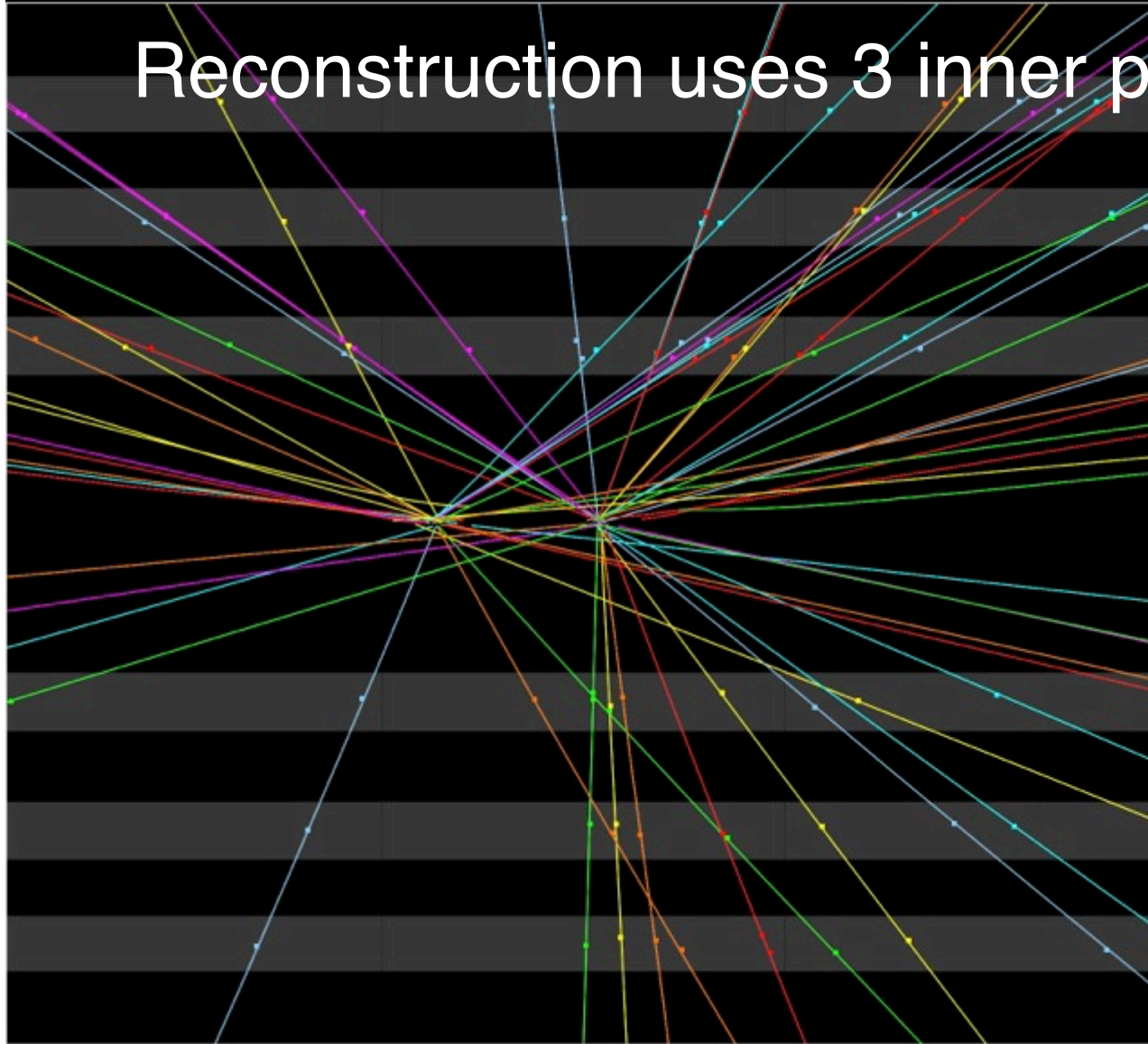


# ATLAS Inner Si Pixel Layer



# Collision Event at 7 TeV with 2 Pile Up Vertices

Reconstruction uses 3 inner pixel layers



Run Number: 152166, Event Number: 467774

Date: 2010-03-30 13:31:46 CEST

<http://atlas.web.cern.ch/Atlas/public/EVTDISPLAY/events.html>

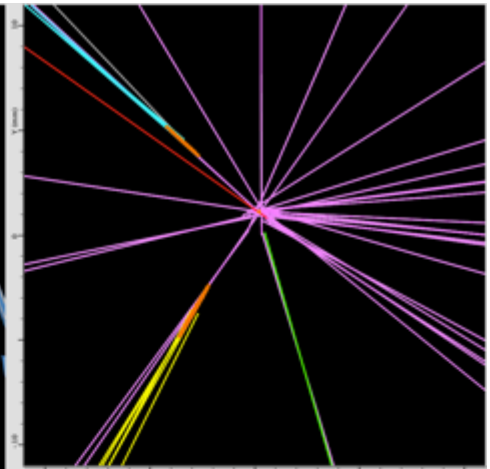
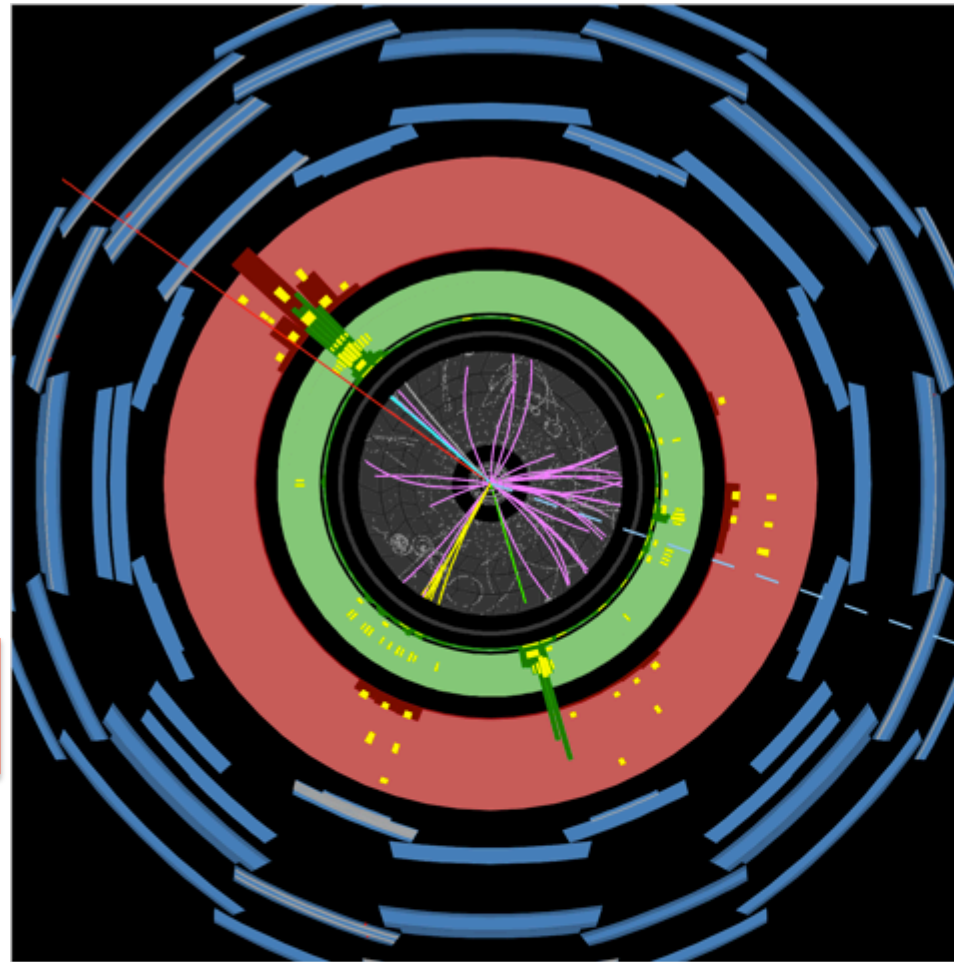
2011 LHC  
Imaging now  
All Electronic  
2 views

Many Tracks  
and 2 “Jets”

40 million / sec

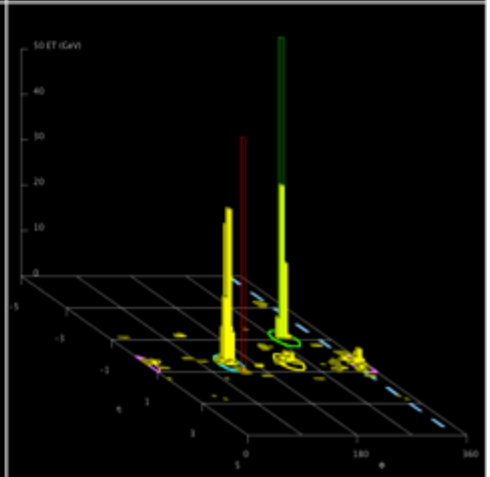
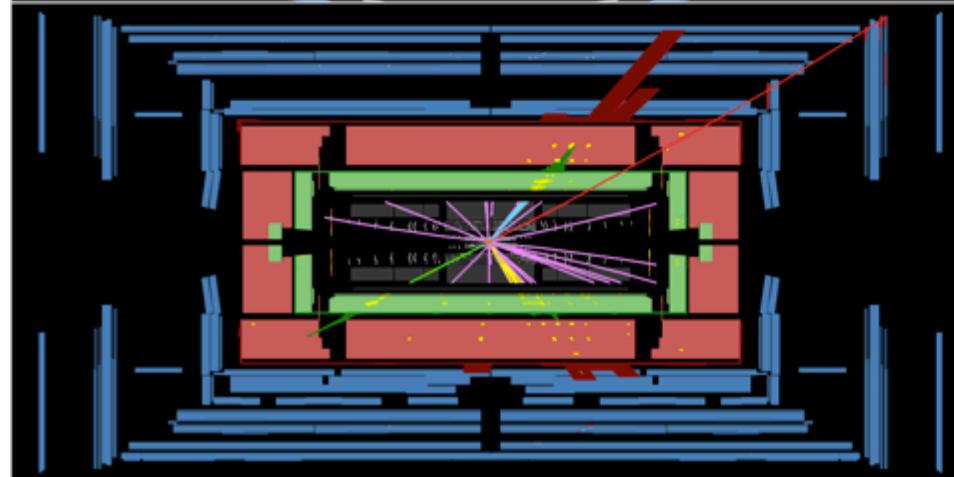
Secondary  
Vertices:  
indicate  
short-lifetime  
particles

see blow-up



 **ATLAS**  
EXPERIMENT

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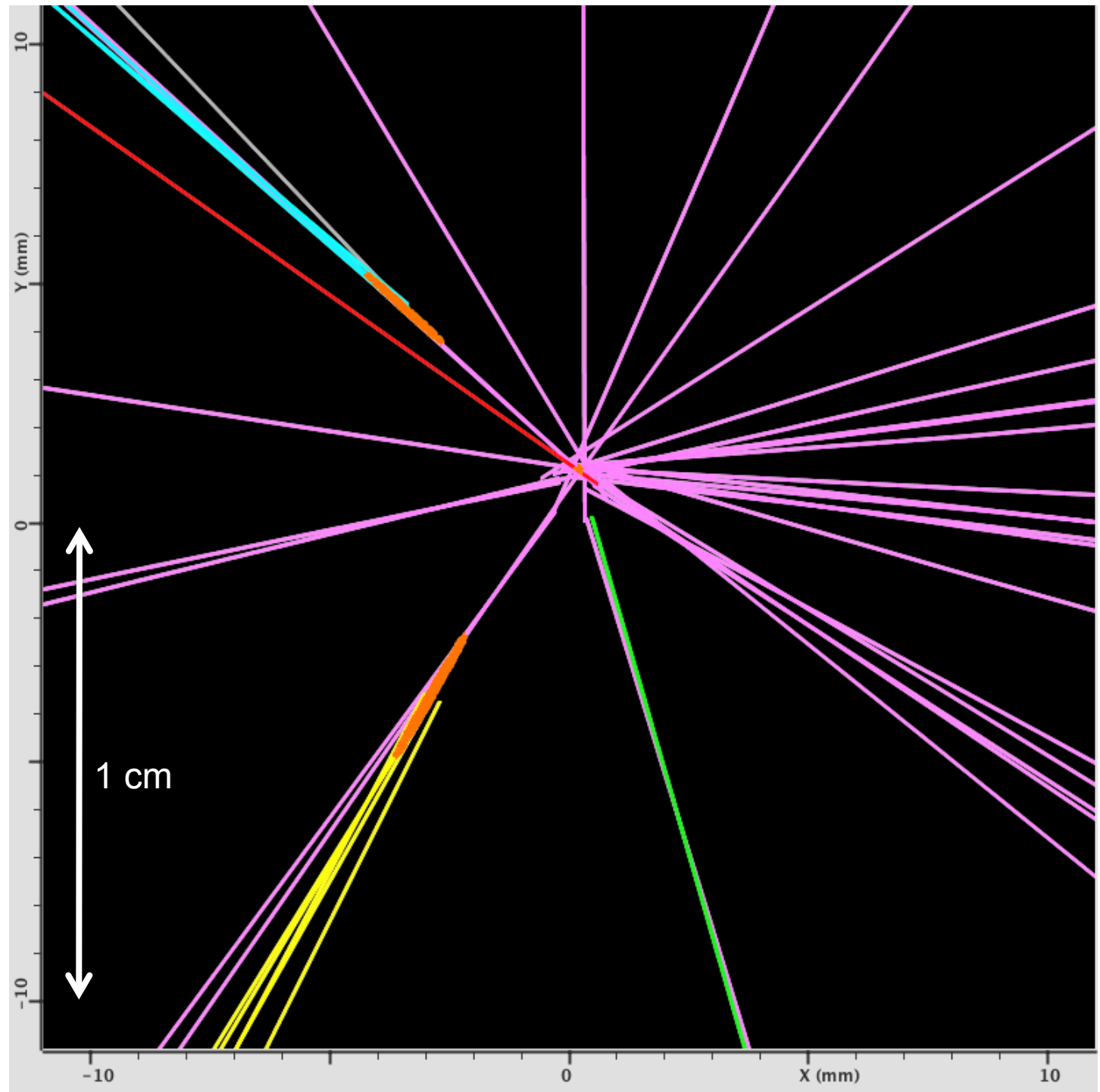


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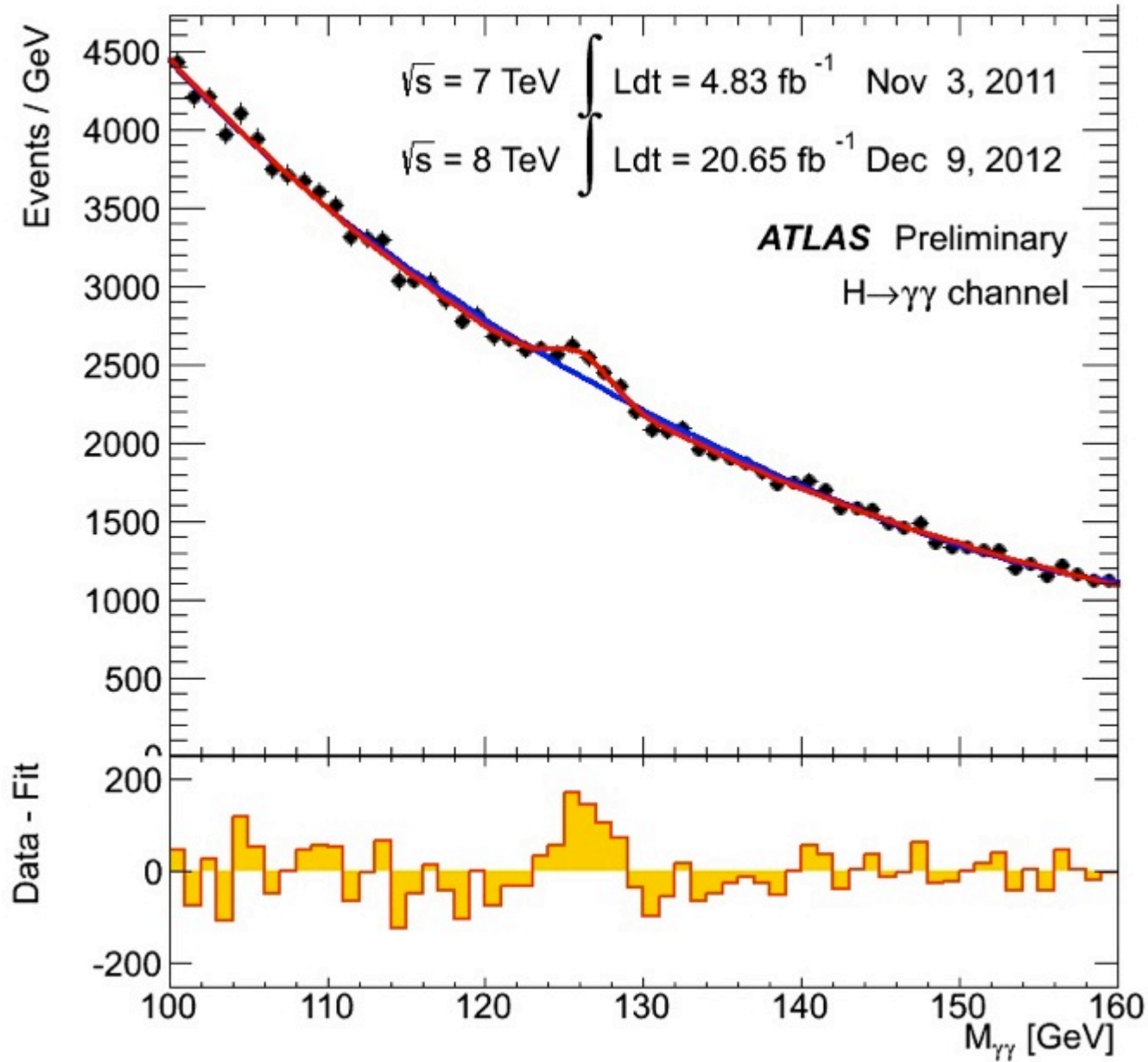
Details around  
Primary Vertex

Secondary  
Vertices with  
reconstruction  
uncertainty  
ellipses (orange)

Note the  
1 cm scale:  
all this is INSIDE  
beam pipe



# ATLAS



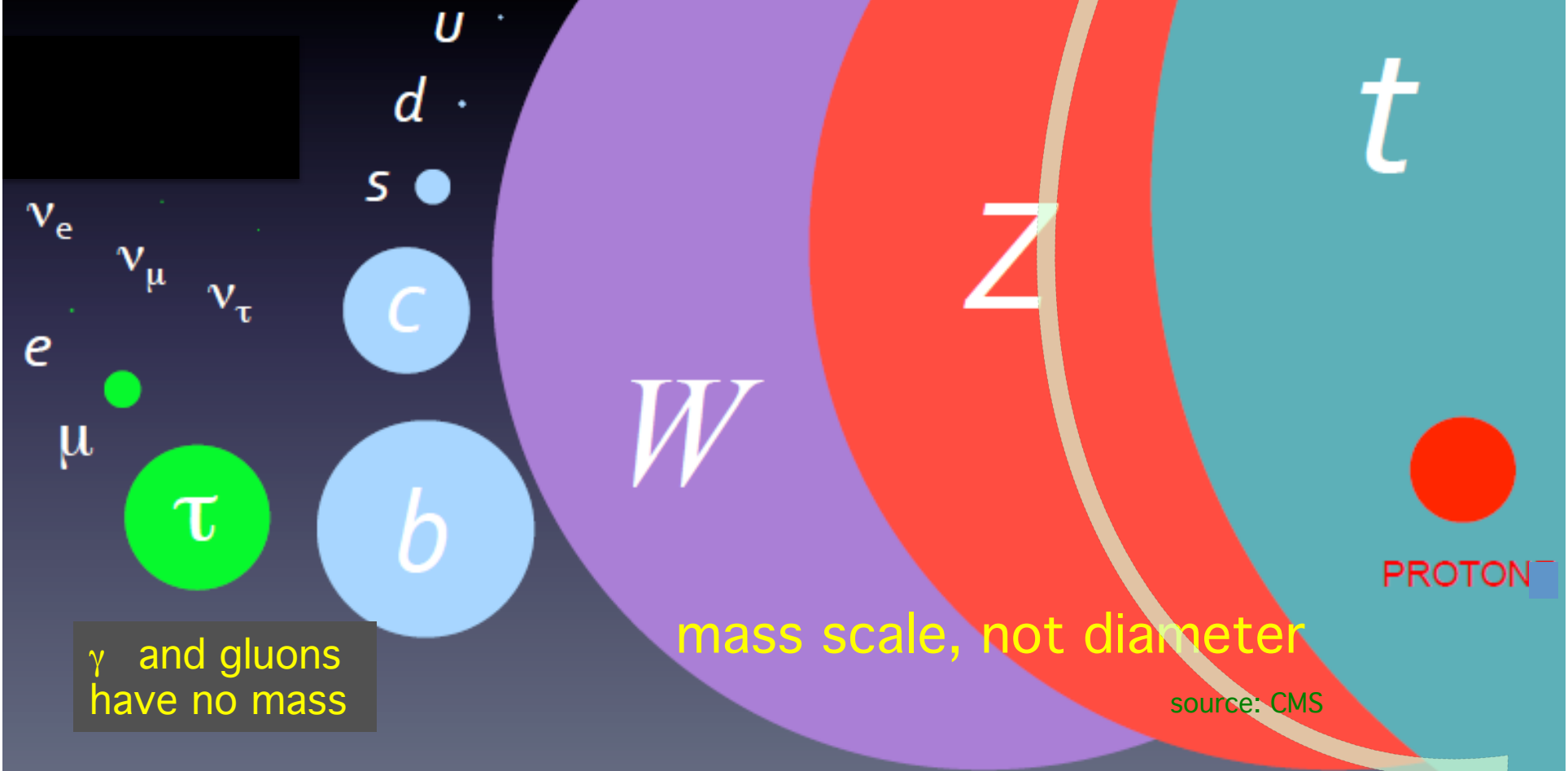
All “events” with 2 energetic photons emerging from the primary vertex

Ordered by sum of measured energy in GeV of all decay products in each interaction

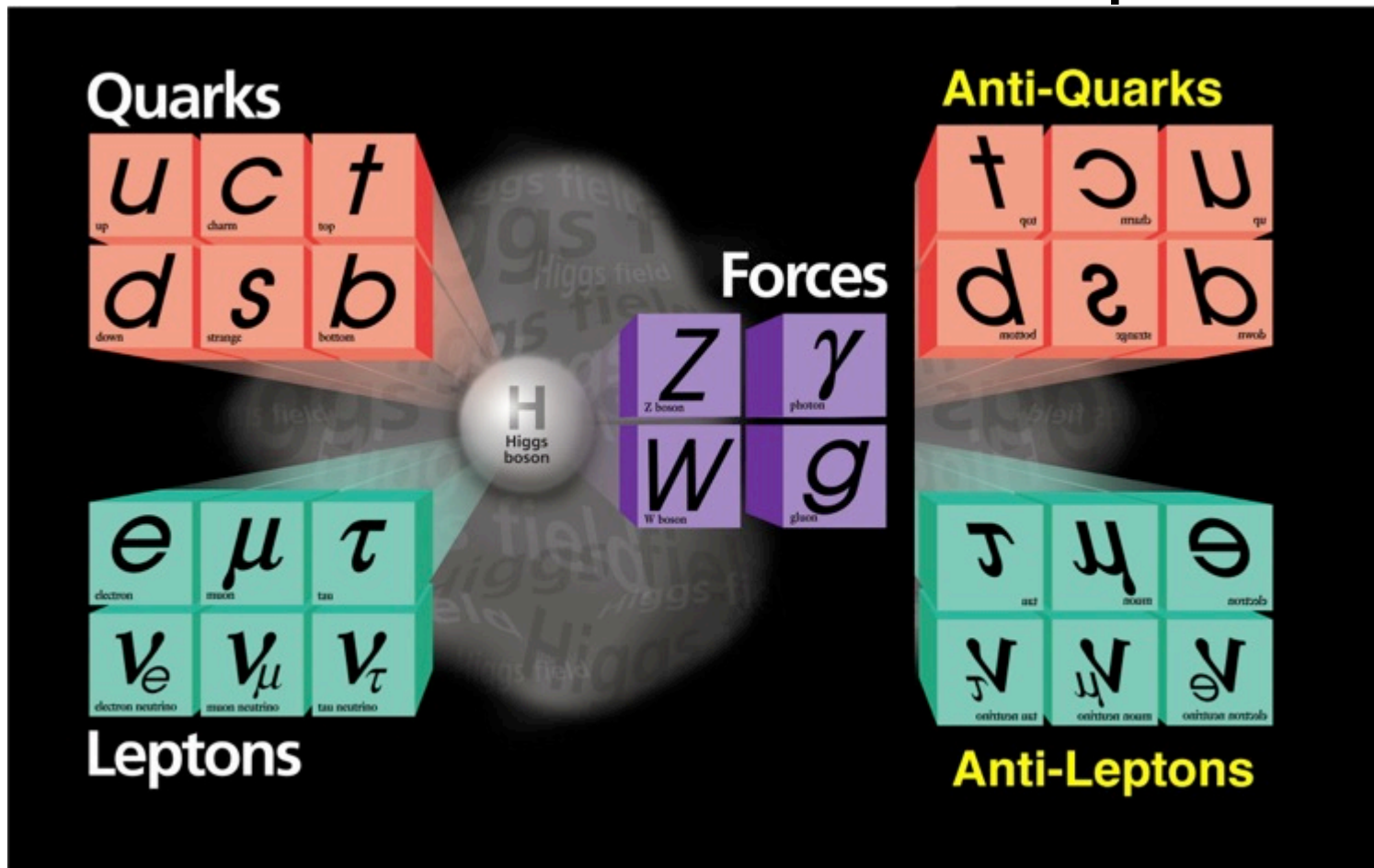
An excess of events is observed around 126 GeV

just OK at  
4 July 2012

# The mass problem



# A new Periodic Table is complete



Many questions remain:  
why 3 generations  
where are the original antiparticles  
why are masses so different

.....

**THE END**



# Some History

Earliest PMOS chip for particle physics: LETI ~1977

Mead-Conway revolution: can we have own chips on MPW?

1984 Sherwood Parker/Terry Walker at Stanford:  
Microplex switched capacitor feedback

1987 Pierre Jarron/Erik Heijne  
Amplex continuous feedback with dark current compensation

1990 several groups start similar projects

2000→now  
chips become primary focus of experiment design

## Evolution in on-chip data storage

~1985 parallel-serial CCD analog pipeline

1992 analog storage on feedback capacitors

1999 analog storage on memory bank:  
“APV25” installed in CMS

2002 comparator first, binary storage  
iteration “ABCD” actually installed in ATLAS

2005 SRAM allows variable retention times

2014 more input channels  
more digital processing

# Chain of Data Processing and Filters

