

The ATLAS Upgraded Tracker for the High-Luminosity LHC

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Introduction (current ATLAS Tracker)

Tracking of charged particles with a
<10um on track resolution

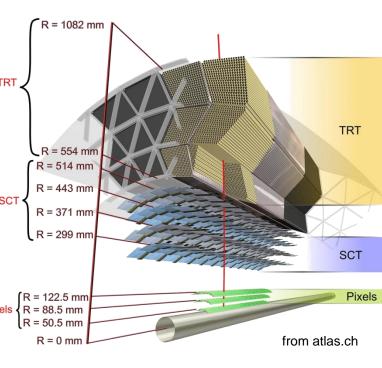
Using about 36 hits per track

 Designed for the LHC lifetime up to long shutdown 3

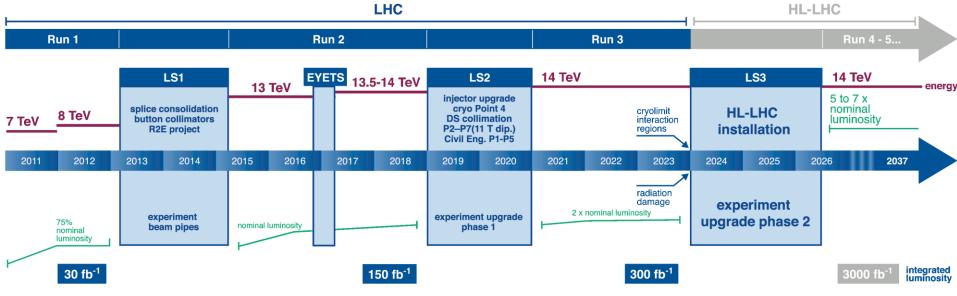
300 fb⁻¹ total integrated luminosity

- 1e34 cm⁻²s⁻¹ instant. luminosity

Currently operated beyond design



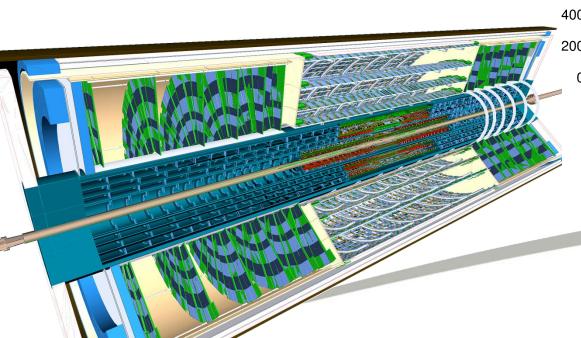
Expectations for the HL-LHC

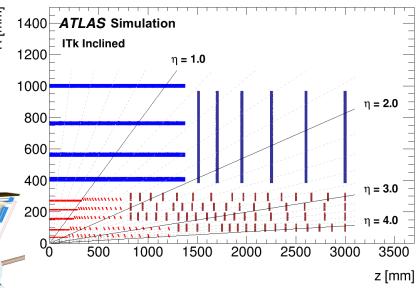


- Higher Luminosity leading to higher:
 - Occupancy (transmission rate limits): expected up to 200 interactions per bunch crossing - current Strips fall over at ca. 85 PU
 - Radiation damage designing to 4000 fb⁻¹
 - Resolution
 - TRT saturation
 - Higher P_T expectation, hence higher track density in jets
- More recent hardware allowing for better detectors to be built

The Inner Tracker (ITk) upgrade

- Future all Silicon based tracker
 - Outer Strip tracker
 - Inner Pixel tracker
- Total of >13 hits per track
- Eta coverage up to |4|



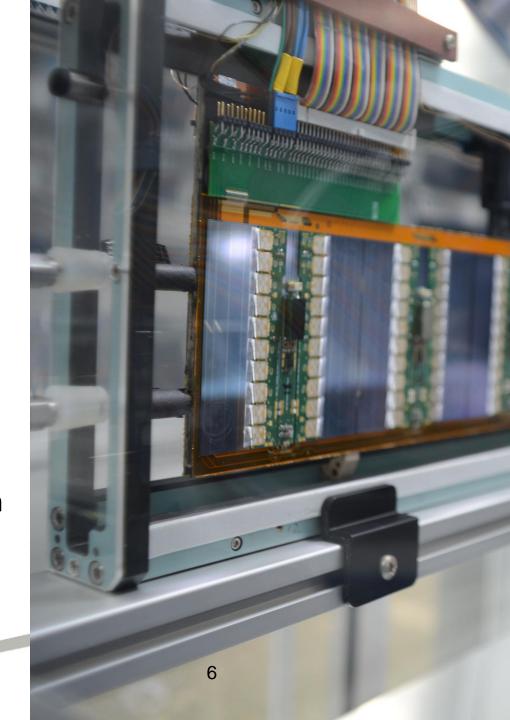






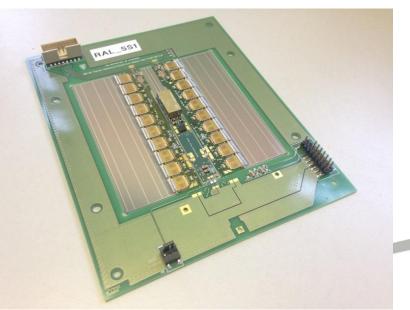
Strip Tracker

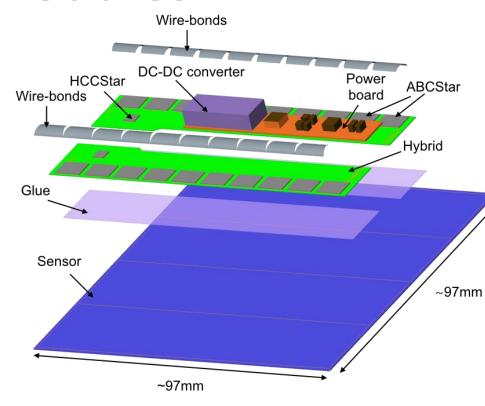
- 4 Barrel layers, 6 endcaps disks per side
 - All endcap disks are the same
 - Barrel layers differ inner/outer in the types of modules they employ
- Just short of 18000 sensor tiles, 165m² silicon
- Total available readout bandwidth around 18Tbit/s



Barrel Modules

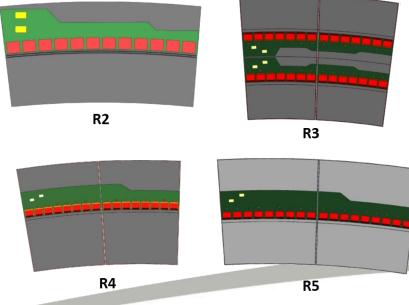
- Sensors are n-in-p
 - 5k/2.5k sensing elements
- Front-end ASICs are 130nm feature size
- Local power conversion from >10V down to 1.5V

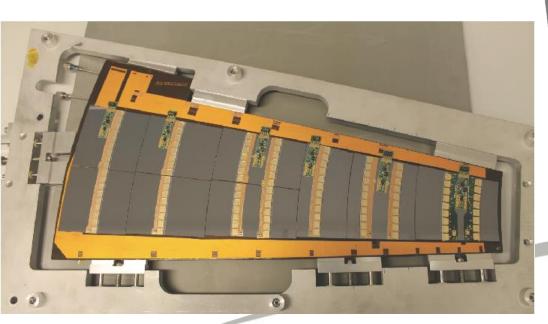


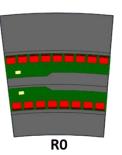


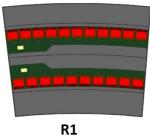
Endcap Modules

- Round sensor edges!
- Increased complexity due to multiple sensors being interlinked
- Strip length varies with radius









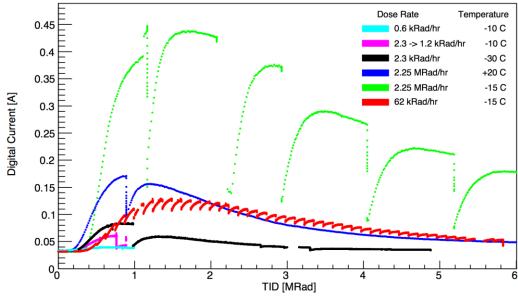




Radiation Hardness

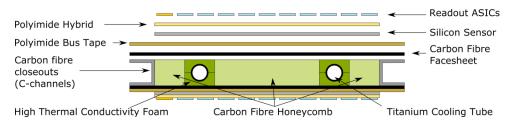
- ITk Strip Tracker requires 10 times the previous tracker radiation hardness:
 - 1e15 n/cm² NIEL
 - O(100Mrad) ionising
 - New sensors acquire electrons
- New technology nodes suffer from radiation induced power consumption



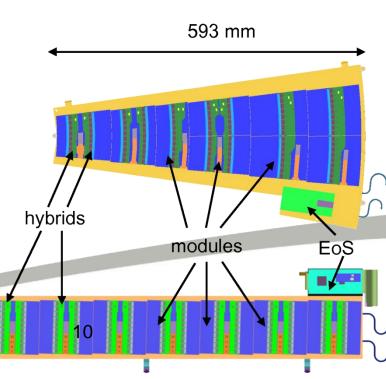


Local Support Structures

 Local support cores for barrel and endcap based on the same concept:

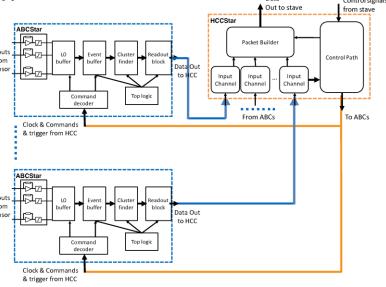


- Carbon fibre sandwich panel
- Titanium cooling tube to transfer heat out
- Bus tapes co-cured to CF faces to allow powering and data transmission
- End-of-Substructure (EoS) card to provide connectivity to the outside world



Readout

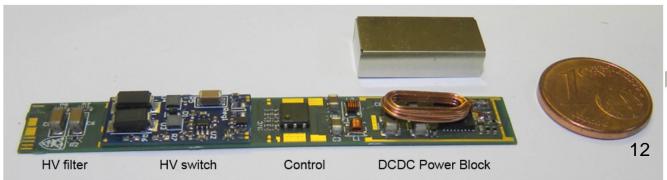
- Baseline 1MHz trigger rate system
 - Required a new readout scheme within each module: Star architecture
 - Still supporting a two stage trigger system (4M/ca. 500k)
- 640Mbit/s downlinks from each from hybrid controller chip
- Shared 160Mbit/s control link
- Links are aggregated through 1 or 2 CERN lpGBT(s) at the end-of-substructure card (10/20 Gbit/s per side)
 - Optical transmission from here



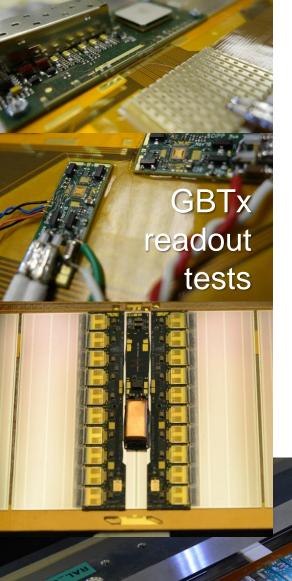
Clock &

Services

- To minimise the outside power consumption, the strip detector operates low voltage powering based on a 2-step DC-DC conversion:
 - 48V to 12V at high radius (O(5m)) within the ATLAS detector
 - 12V to 1.5V only at the module
 - Reduces current supplied within the local support structure and therefore material within the tracker
- Only two temperature sensors per local support structure will be wired out directly (allowing cooling system interlocks)
 - All other monitoring will be merged into the data stream, allowing fine grained monitoring
- Optical readout through new optical fibre cables







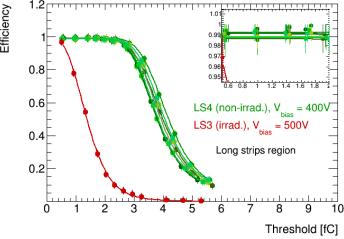
Current Status

- With the TDR published, the strip detector project is currently undergoing production preparation
- All Object types have been built (excluding global structures)
- Production methods are still being refined

Testbeam results

- Multiple Modules of different dimensionality and irradiation level operated successfully in test beams
- Given current sensors and ASICs, we expect better than 20:1 S/N after irradiation in the final chipset
 - New Frontend amplifier design in response to current 130nm ASIC behaviour, already proven in silicon





A word on Pixels

- New Front-end ASIC in 65nm technology:
 - Analogue frontend already tested as standalone circuit
 - First full chip revision expected soon
- Modules built from 1-4 Front-end ASICs
- Strip-equivalent local support structures, but:

Smaller structures

- Higher power densities
- Higher readout rates

4 Chip Module



Summary & Outlook

- The ITk strip tracker project recently published its TDR: https://cds.cern.ch/record/2257755?ln=en
- Prototyping has gone through O(10) years of ASIC, module and structure design
 - Structures are going through last changes as per layout taskforce recommendation (longer staves)
 - Next Asics round is expected to be production material
- Pre-production of the ITk strip tracker to start in 2018
 - Production procedures are still being refined, but working
- Expecting to write the ITk pixel TDR within this year

