



Layout and prototyping of the new ATLAS Inner Tracker for the High Luminosity LHC

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The Current ATLAS Experiment

- General purpose experiment
- 44m long, 25m tall, 7k tons, 100 Million channels
- Collaboration of ~3000 physicists from 175 institutions and 35 countries
- The Inner Detector (ID) lies at the centre of ATLAS
 - Responsible for tracking particles from collision to the calorimeters
 - Composed of Pixels and Strips silicon detectors and Transition Radiation detector





The road from LHC to High-Luminosity LHC



- From 2026, LHC enters new phase : High Luminosity LHC (HL-LHC)
 - x5-x7 increase in luminosity (5-7 x 10^{34} cm⁻² s⁻¹)
 - Goal is to deliver 4000 fb⁻¹ over 10 years
 - Extend searches for new physics into the multi-TeV region
 - Improved measurements of Higgs boson's properties
- By 2026, ID will have accumulated too much radiation damage to be usable for HL-LHC : replacement tracker will be needed



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- HL-LHC simulated event of a tt event with 200 pile-up events
- ID-TRT will have 100% occupancy at HL-LHC
- ID readout links will be saturated at HL-LHC



ID replacement is not enough an upgraded tracker design is required for HL-LHC



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Tracker Layout Evolution



Letter of Intent (LoI) Layout : First Version



- Lol Layout ~ 2012, guided by requirement of at least 14 hits and coverage to $|\eta| \sim 2.7$
- The "stub" layer included to provide additional points between barrel to disk transition

Evolution of tracker layout : Addition of very forward pixel detector



- Simulations showed benefit of adding more pixel detectors in the very forward region
- More Pixels disks added to out to $|\eta| \sim 4$

Evolution of tracker layout : Additional Pixel Layer

- Further studies showed benefit of having 5 pixel layers in HL-LHC environment
 - better performance
 - robustness to missing single hit
- Example: τ lepton reconstruction
 - 4 pixel layers improves reconstruction efficiency at large momentum
 - 5th pixel layer adds redundancy





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Evolution of tracker layout Optimising Pixel Layout : Extended vs Inclined

- There are two options for the pixel detector layout
- Extended has extended barrel layers
- Inclined layers has pixel detectors
 ~perpendicular to tracks in the
 forward region
 - less material traversed
 - multiple hits per track close to interaction point
 - less Silicon surface area required to cover same η range
- Inclined layout is the baseline design for the pixel detectors
- Further optimisation is in progress







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- ITk needs to power more sensors and electronics with less cable
- ITk has to support a larger structure with less material





Pixel Serial Power

Module powering

- Pixels: Serial Powering
 - Power with constant current source
 - Shunt low-dropout regulator to control voltage across pixel module
 - Physically small and low material cost
 - AC connections have to made as modules don't share a common ground
- Strips: DC/DC converter
 - Local generation of voltages
 - Large strip sensors are susceptible to common-mode pickup.
 - Difficult to implement shielding without common ground
 - Each DC/DC converter has a shield box to reduce EMI

 Both schemes reduce electrical cabling, the major material contribution for trackers



Strips DC/DC Converter





ITk Support Structures

- Support structures provide
 - mechanical support of sensors and associated electronics
 - thermal path to keep sensors and electronics cool
- The supports have to be low mass and stiff











Pixel Local Support : Inclined Layout

- SLIM: Pixel modules supported on longeron-like structure.
 - $|\eta| < 1.2$: Modules installed flat
 - $|\eta| > 1.2$: Modules installed inclined
 - Titanium cooling pipes along each longeron corner
- Programme to evaluate and validate the SLIM concept: longeron coupling 3 or 4 cooling lines with flat and inclined modules



TRUSS longeron for layer 2 and layer 3 (1.6 m) 4 cooling lines 52 flat quad and 124 inclined double modules





Pixel Local Support: Rings

- Pixel rings cover the high η region
- The number of rings and positions in z are optimised for hermetic coverage of tracks for each pixel layer, separately
- The pixels rings gives flexibility in location and number without large engineering changes
 - leaves room for further optimisation





Strips Local Supports

• Strip sensors, readout electronics, and power (*Module*), are assembled onto larger structures that provide mechanical support and cooling



 Each Petal/Stave has embedded Titanium cooling pipes, surrounded by high thermal conductivity foam and sandwiched by carbon fibre



Strips Global Supports

- The strips global supports connect the strip substructures together
- The global supports have to be low mass and sufficiently stiff for track based alignment
 - stability of 20μm, 20μm, 2μm in z,r,φ over ~1 day
- Barrel:
 - there are 4 concentric barrels one for each barrel layer
 - Staves are mounted on carbon fibre barrels before integration
- End cap:
 - petals are mounted onto a carbon fibre frame that forms an end cap disk





Material Budget

- After optimisation of tracker layout, innovations on delivering electrical power to sensors, and support mechanics, a significant reduction in the total radiation length
- ITk silicon surface area (165m²) is 2.6 times larger than the current ID, but the maximum radiation length reduced from $5.5X_0$ to $2X_0$





Summary

- HL-LHC is next major phase of LHC to open new window to HEP
- Tracker upgrade (ITk) is essential upgrade to allow full exploitation of this new phase
- Major international R&D towards development of low mass supports, thermal performance, routing of services to minimise material budget, including optimising of tracker layout
- Strip TDR was completed a few months ago and Pixels TDR is expected at the end of the year
- Community is transitioning from R&D to preparations for production



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Backup





The Large Hadron Collider

- The World's highest energy particle collider in the world, located just outside of Geneva, Switzerland
- Circular proton-proton accelerator, 27km in circumference
- Proton beams collide every 25ns (40MHz)
- Centre-of-Mass Energy : 13TeV
- Luminosity: 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹
- 4 Experiments located at the LHC, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, ALICE
- Discovery of the Higgs Boson by CMS and ATLAS



Fluence and dose distributions for ITk





Maximal Fluences and Doses

Layer	Radius [mm]	$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Maximal \ Fluence} \\ [\mathrm{n_{eq}/cm^2} \] \end{array}$	Maximal Dose [MRad]
Strips			
Long Strips	762	3.8×10^{14}	9.8
Short Strips	405	7.2×10^{14}	32.5
End-cap	385	1.2×10^{15}	50.4
Pixels			
Layer 0	39	1.87×10^{16}	1268
Layer 1	75	0.59×10^{16}	549
Layer 2	155	0.22×10^{16}	129
Layer 3	213	0.15×10^{16}	87
Layer 4	271	0.11×10^{16}	53
End-cap	80	0.62×10^{16}	477

Overview on maximal fluences and doses. The values including a safety factor of 1.5.



Tracker Layout : Surface Area

Barrel Layer:	${f Radius} \ [mm]$	$\# \text{ of} \\ \text{staves}$	# of modules	# of hybrids	# of of ABCStar	# of	${f Area}\ [{f m}^2]$
L0	405	28	784	1568	15680	$4.01 \mathrm{M}$	7.49
L1	562	40	1120	2240	22400	$5.73 \mathrm{M}$	10.7
L2	762	56	1568	1568	15680	$4.01 \mathrm{M}$	14.98
L3	1000	72	2016	2016	20160	5.16M	19.26
Total half barrel		196	5488	7392	73920	$18.92 \mathrm{M}$	52.43
Total barrel		392	10976	14784	147840	$37.85 \mathrm{M}$	104.86
End-cap Disk:	z-pos. [mm]	# of petals	# of modules	# of hybrids	# of of ABCStar	# of channels	$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Area} \\ [\mathbf{m}^2] \end{array}$
D0	1512	32	576	832	6336	1.62M	5.03
D1	1702	32	576	832	6336	$1.62 \mathrm{M}$	5.03
D2	1952	32	576	832	6336	$1.62 \mathrm{M}$	5.03
D3	2252	32	576	832	6336	$1.62 \mathrm{M}$	5.03
D4	2602	32	576	832	6336	$1.62 \mathrm{M}$	5.03
D5	3000	32	576	832	6336	$1.62 \mathrm{M}$	5.03
Total one EC		192	3456	4992	43008	$11.01 \mathrm{M}$	30.2
Total ECs		384	6912	9984	86016	22.02M	60.4
Total		776	17888	24768	233856	59.87M	165.25

Number of components for the ITk Strip Detector in barrel (top half) and end-cap (bottom half). The numbers for the barrel are for the full barrel with 2.8 m length. The numbers for the end-caps (EC) are given both for one and both end-caps.



ITk Strip Detector Parameters

Layer	Radius [mm]	Channels in ϕ	Strip Pitch $[\mu m]$	Strip Length [mm]	Tilt Angle [°]
0	405	28×1280	75.5	24.1	11.5
1	562	40×1280	75.5	24.1	11.0
2	762	56×1280	75.5	48.2	10.0
3	1000	72×1280	75.5	48.2	10.0

$\operatorname{Ring}/\operatorname{Row}$	Inner Radius	Strip Length	Strip Pitch
	[mm]	[mm]	[µm]
Ring 0 Row 0	384.5	19	75.0
Ring 0 Row 1	403.5	24	79.2
Ring 0 Row 2	427.5	29	74.9
Ring 0 Row 3	456.4	32	80.2
Ring 1 Row 0	489.8	18.1	69.9
Ring 1 Row 1	507.9	27.1	72.9
Ring 1 Row 2	535	24.1	75.6
Ring 1 Row 3	559.1	15.1	78.6
Ring 2 Row 0	575.6	30.8	75.7
Ring 2 Row 1	606.4	30.8	79.8
Ring 3 Row 0	638.6	32.2	71.1
Ring 3 Row 1	670.8	26.2	74.3
Ring 3 Row 2	697.1	26.2	77.5
Ring 3 Row 3	723.3	32.2	80.7
Ring 4 Row 0	756.9	54.6	75.0
Ring 4 Row 1	811.5	54.6	80.3
Ring 5 Row 0	867.5	40.2	76.2
Ring 5 Row 1	907.6	60.2	80.5

Layout parameters for the ITk Strip Detector barrel. Each strip barrel layer is 2.8 m long extending from -1400 mm to +1400 mm along the z-axis.

Main layout parameters for the strip end-cap.



ITk Pixel Parameters

Pixel Central Barrel						
Layer	Sensor Size $[mm^2]$	Sensors per Half Stave	Half Stave Length [mm]	Staves	Radius [mm]	
0	40.2×16.8	4.5	1250	18	39	
1	40.2×33.8	5	1250	18	85	
2	40.2×33.8	6	780	32	155	
3	40.2×33.8	7	780	44	213	
4	40.2×33.8	8	780	54	271	

Main layout parameters for the Pixel barrel as simulated. The numbers of sensors per half stave refer to the central part of the barrel where sensors are placed parallel to the beam axis.

Pixel Forward Barrel for Inclined layout

Layer	Sensor Size $[mm^2]$	Positions on Barrel Stave [mm]	Main layout parameters
0	20.0×16.8	197.8 - 1206.9 (17 positions)	Inclined layout as curren
1	20.0×33.8	214.4 - 1206.5 (18 positions)	barrel shares a common
2	20.0×33.8	254.1 - 719.6 (13 positions)	positions between inclin
3	20.0×33.8	295.7 - 719.5 (17 positions)	staves in ϕ , with sensor
4	20.0×33.8	336.7 - 719.4 (13 positions)	positions 4 mm closer to

Main layout parameters for the forward barrel in the Inclined layout as currently simulated. The forward barrel shares a common mechanical structure with the central barrel, There is a stagger of 4 mm in z positions between inclined sensors on neighbouring staves in ϕ , with sensors on half of the staves having positions 4 mm closer to the centre of the detector than indicated here.

Ring Layer	$\begin{array}{c} {\bf Sensor \ Size} \\ [{\bf mm}^2] \end{array}$	Sensors per Ring	Inner Radius [mm]	Ring Positions [mm]
0	40.2×33.8	24	80	1308 - 3000 (18 positions)
1	40.2×33.8	36	150	823 - 3000 (19 positions)
2	40.2×33.8	48	212.5	823 - 3000 (16 positions)
3	40.2×33.8	60	275	823 - 3000 (16 positions)

Pixel end-cap ring



ITk Barrel Stave Brackets





Strips Local Support Thermal Requirements

	Stave	\mathbf{Petal}	$\mathbf{Comment}$
Max. module power	$10 \mathrm{W}$	$12 \mathrm{W}$	For module R3
EoS power	$12 \mathrm{W}$	$6 \mathrm{W}$	
Local suport total power	$300 \mathrm{W}$	$130 \mathrm{W}$	

Local support thermal requirements.



LHC Higgs Discovery

