

# ATLAS Pixel and Strip Radiation Damage Studies

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Pixel

SCT

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Total Ionising Dose

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Readout chip current consumption; IBL

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Lorentz Angle; IBL and Pixel

Charge collection efficiency; IBL and pixel

## Summary

# Motivation

**Radiation damage** is a key parameter **affecting the performance** of the silicon modules used in **ATLAS**

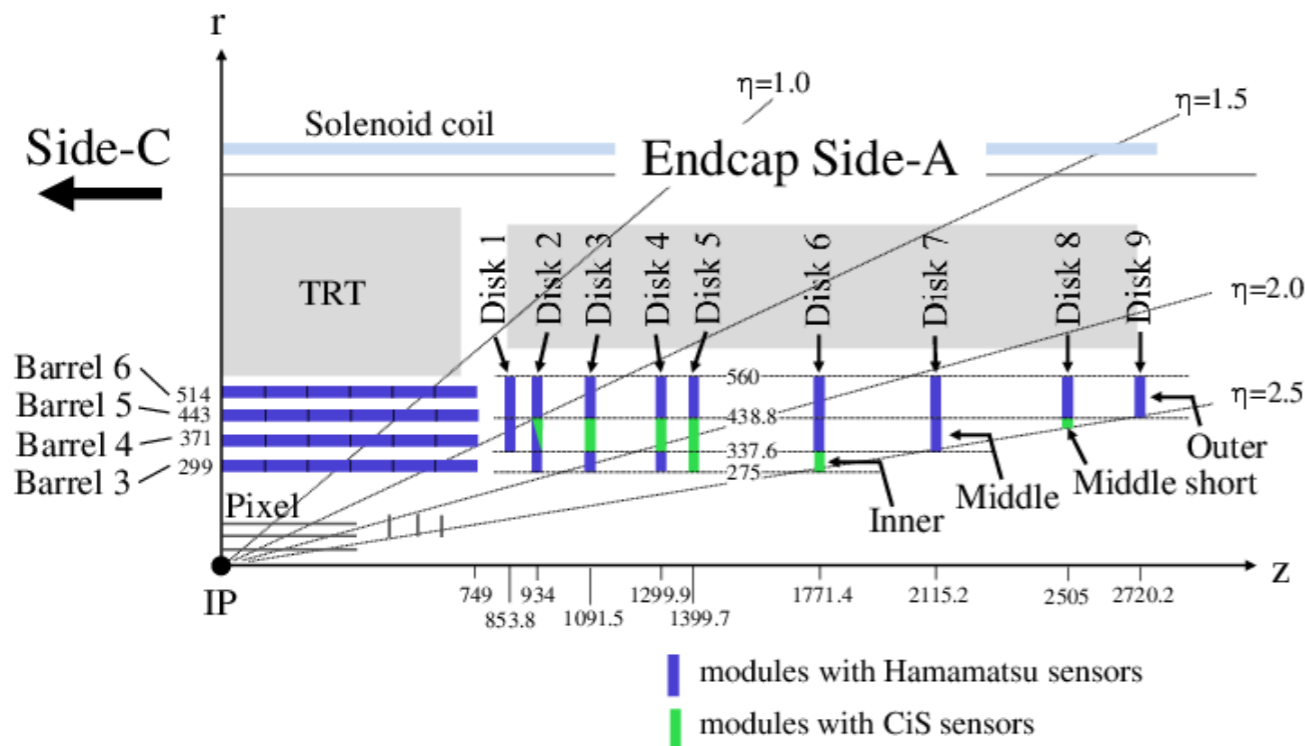
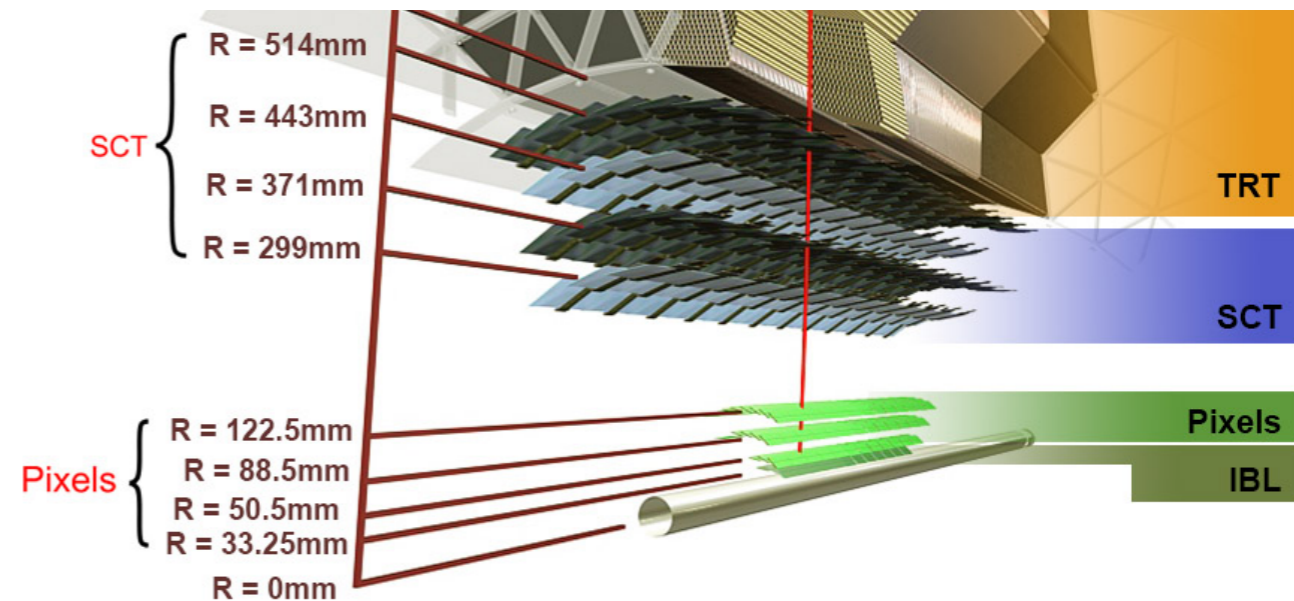
ATLAS have **simulations which predict the radiation levels in the ATLAS detector**; we can use these simulations to predict future performance of detector

**Imperative we check the accuracy of these simulations** and predictions of other sensor parameters, affected by radiation damage

Results of these **measurements are fed back to ATLAS Radiation Simulation group**, can also be used to optimise operation conditions, and future detector designs

We also **use radiation damage measurements as inputs for simulations** of detector performance; see Ben Nachman's talk!

**We have studies from IBL, Pixel and SCT**



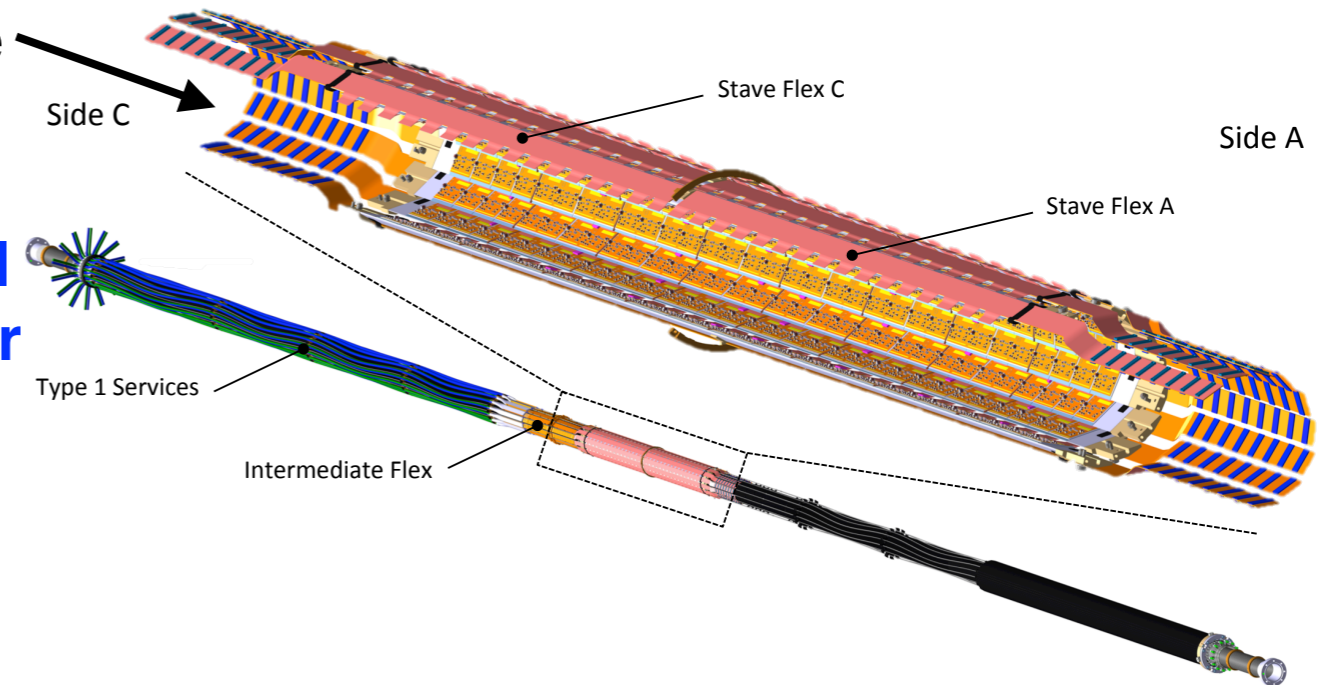
# Detector layout: IBL

**Barrel layer of hybrid silicon pixel modules**, 30 mm from beam pipe, inserted in 2015. Looks like this

**Operation temperature -4°C in 2015, 20°C until June 2016, 10°C until 2017 and -15°C thereafter**

Planar bias voltage initially 80 V, rising to 350 V.  
3D bias voltage 20 V till 2017, 50 V thereafter

**Expected fluence range of 5-6  $10^{12}$  1 MeV n.eqv fb and TID of 0.3 mRad fb.** Expect lifetime dose of  $5 \times 10^{15}$  1 MeV n.eqv



**14 staves, each containing 8 module groups,** each module group contains 4 FE-I4B readout chips, bump bonded to IBL sensors with 50 x 150  $\mu\text{m}$  pixels

Module groups measure  $\sim 20 \times 80$  mm; **temperature, sensor leakage current and readout chip current draw recorded for each module group**

**75% planar modules** (M1-3,  $|z| = 0 - 240$  mm) use 2 double-chips

**25% 3D modules** (M4,  $|z| = 240 - 320$  mm) use 4 single chips

Cooling Pipe

M4-A	M3-A	M2-A	M1-A	M1-C	M2-C	M3-C	M4-C
3D	Planar	Planar	Planar	Planar	Planar	Planar	3D

-30      -20      -10      0      10      20      30

Distance from center [cm]

Cooled using  $\text{CO}_2$



# Detector layout: Pixel

**3 barrel layers of hybrid silicon pixel modules**, 50, 88 and 122 mm from beam, called B-layer, layer 1 and layer 2, with **3 disk layers** at end.

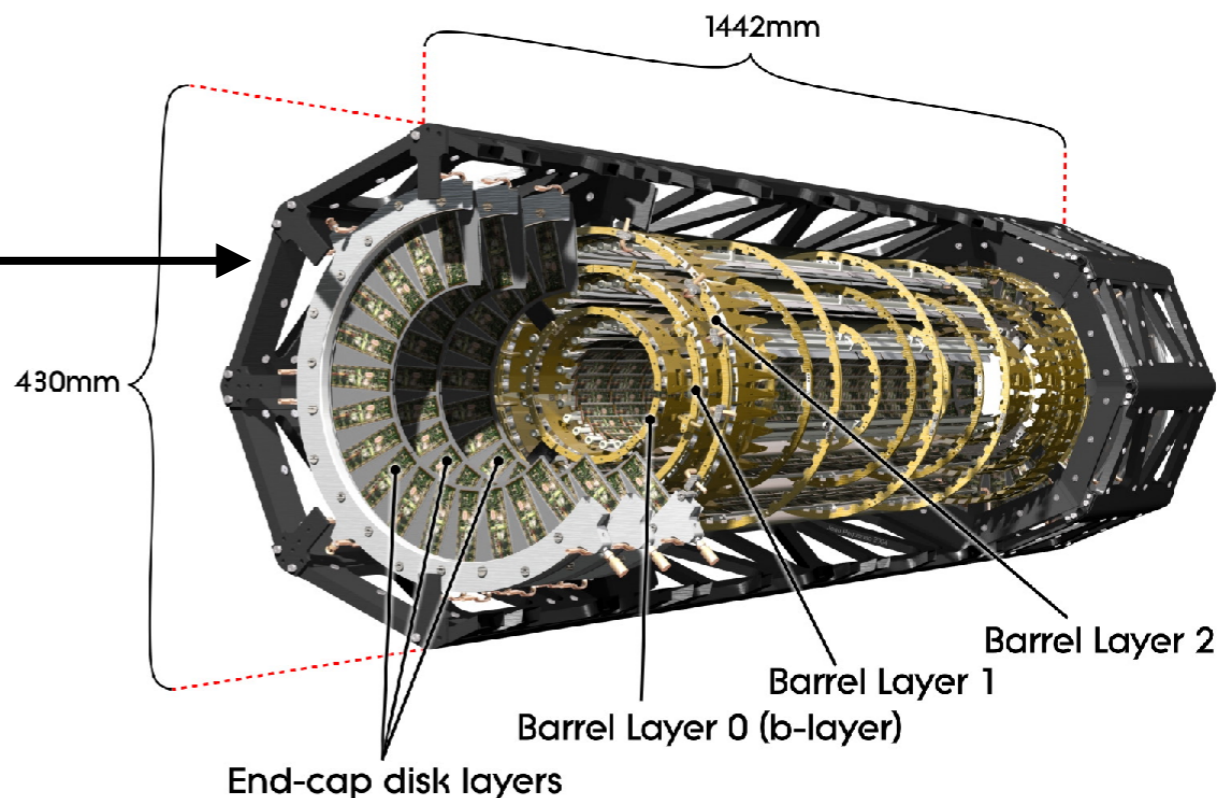
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**Operation temperature -13°C in Run 1, -10°C in Run 2**

Bias voltage initially 150 V, currently 350 V

**Expected fluence range of 0.8-2.9  $10^{12}$  1 MeV n.eqv fb and TID of 0.16 mRad fb. (~ 50% IBL)**

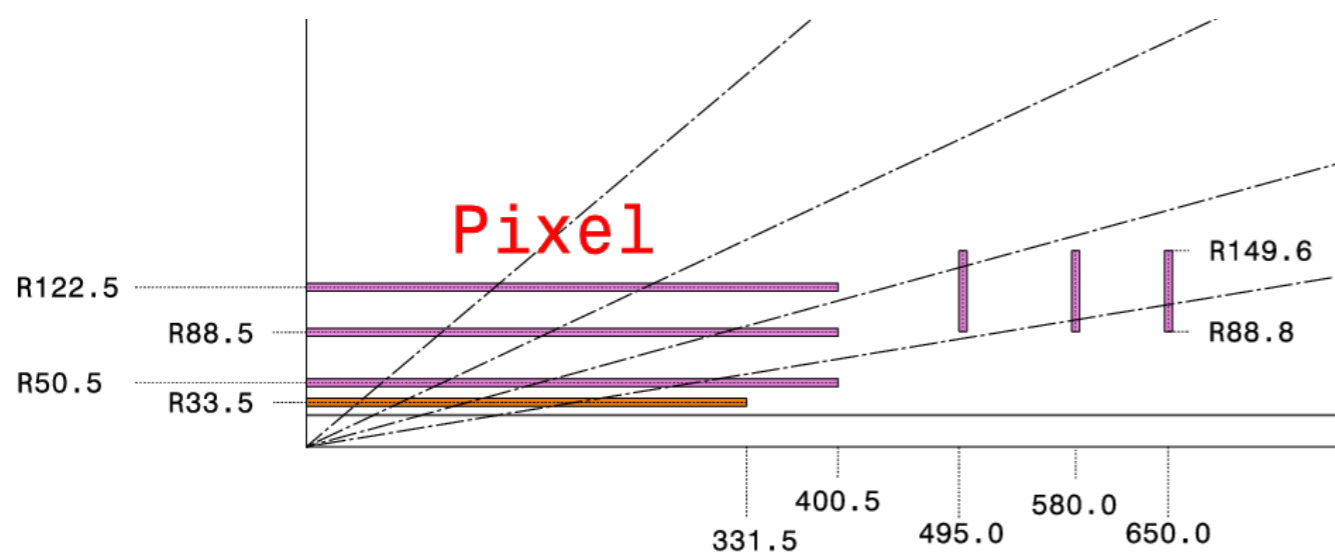
Expect lifetime dose of  $2 \times 10^{15}$  1 MeV n.eqv



Pixel barrel uses 62.4 x 22.4 mm modules, with 50 x 400  $\mu\text{m}$  pixels

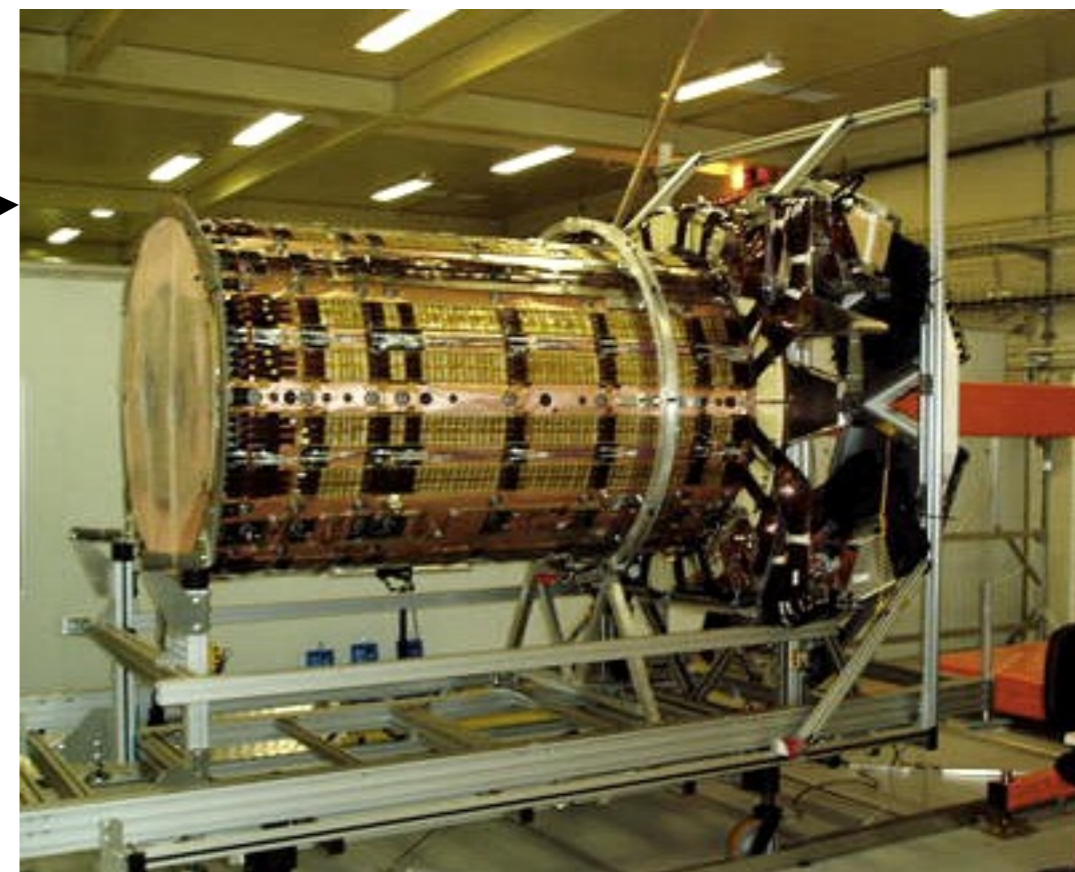
Sensors read-out using FE-13 chips, bump-bonded to sensors

Cooled using  $\text{C}_3\text{F}_8$  evaporative cooling system



# Detector layout: SCT

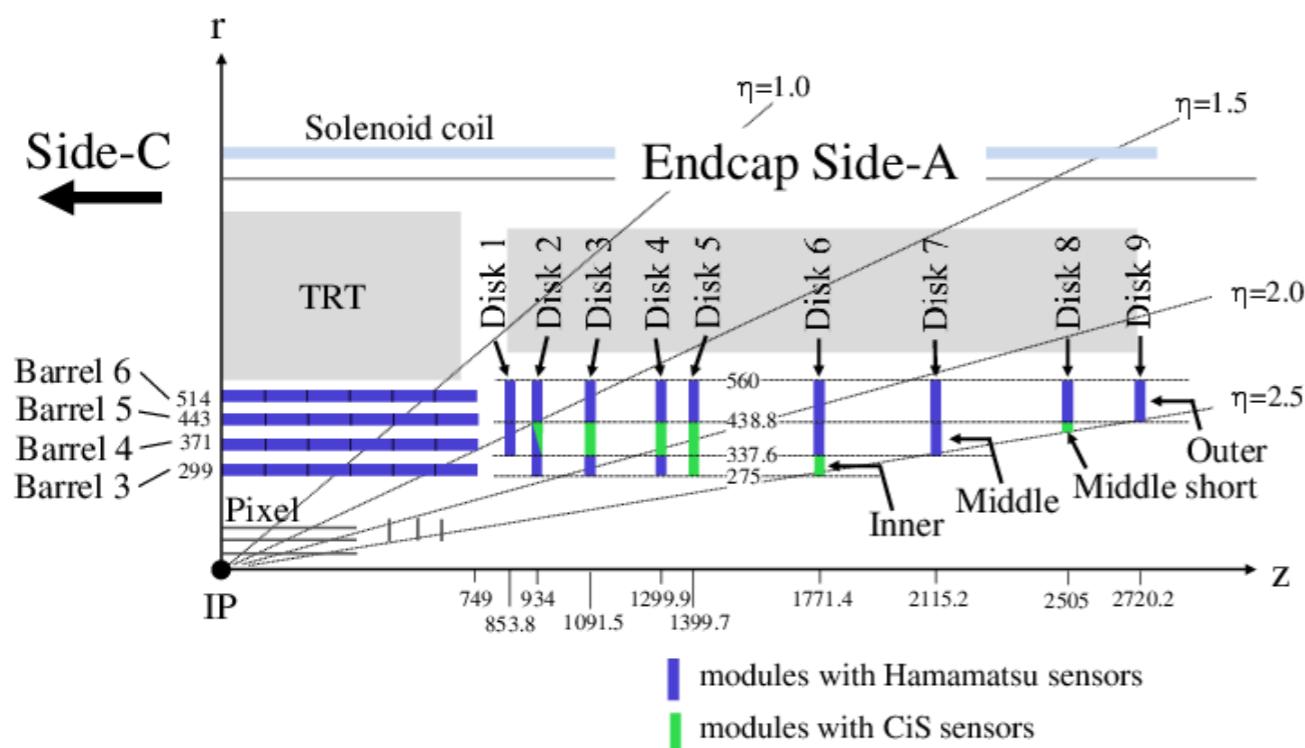
**4 barrel layers of silicon strips**, 300-514 mm from beam, labelled Barrel 3-6 respectively. **9 disk layers** at end. Looks like this! →



**Operation temperature  $\sim -2^\circ\text{C}$  for layers B3-5,  $\sim 8^\circ\text{C}$  for layer B6 and disks**

Initial bias at 150 V, rising to 450 V over lifetime

**Expected fluence range of  $0.2-0.3 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ 1 MeV n.eqv fb}$  and TID of  $0.02 \text{ mRad fb}$  ( $\sim 5\%$  of IBL)**



SCT uses  $\sim 60 \times 60 \text{ mm}$  sensors, with  $\sim 80 \mu\text{m}$  strip pitch

Sensors read-out using custom ABCD3TA ASIC

Cooled using  $\text{C}_3\text{F}_8$  evaporative cooling system

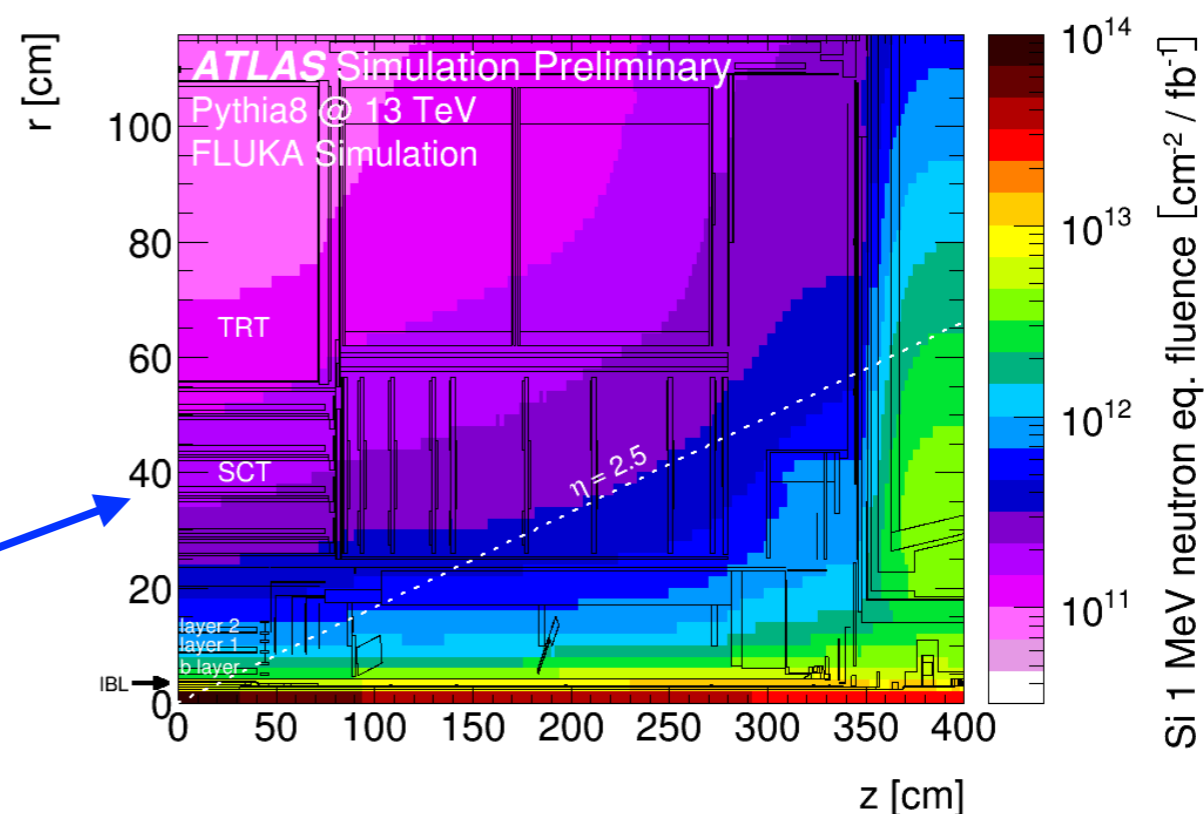
# Radiation Types: NIEL fluence

**Main radiation damage mechanism for sensors is from Non Ionising Energy Losses (NIEL)**

Fluence is proportional to integrated luminosity, the **ATLAS Radiation Simulation group calculates fluence rate for all areas of the ATLAS detector**, using Pythia and FLUKA

We **convert integrated luminosity to fluence, using the fluence rate** [ $10^{14}$  1 MeV n.eqv  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  per  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ]

Fluence also affects depletion voltage of sensors; predicted by Hamburg model



**Hamburg/Sheffield-Harper models can accurately predict sensor leakage current** as a function of fluence, temperature and time. Hamburg model was validated at 20-80°C.

Can **measure the fluence rate for a sensor by plotting leakage current** against integrated luminosity, and fitting the Hamburg model to measurements

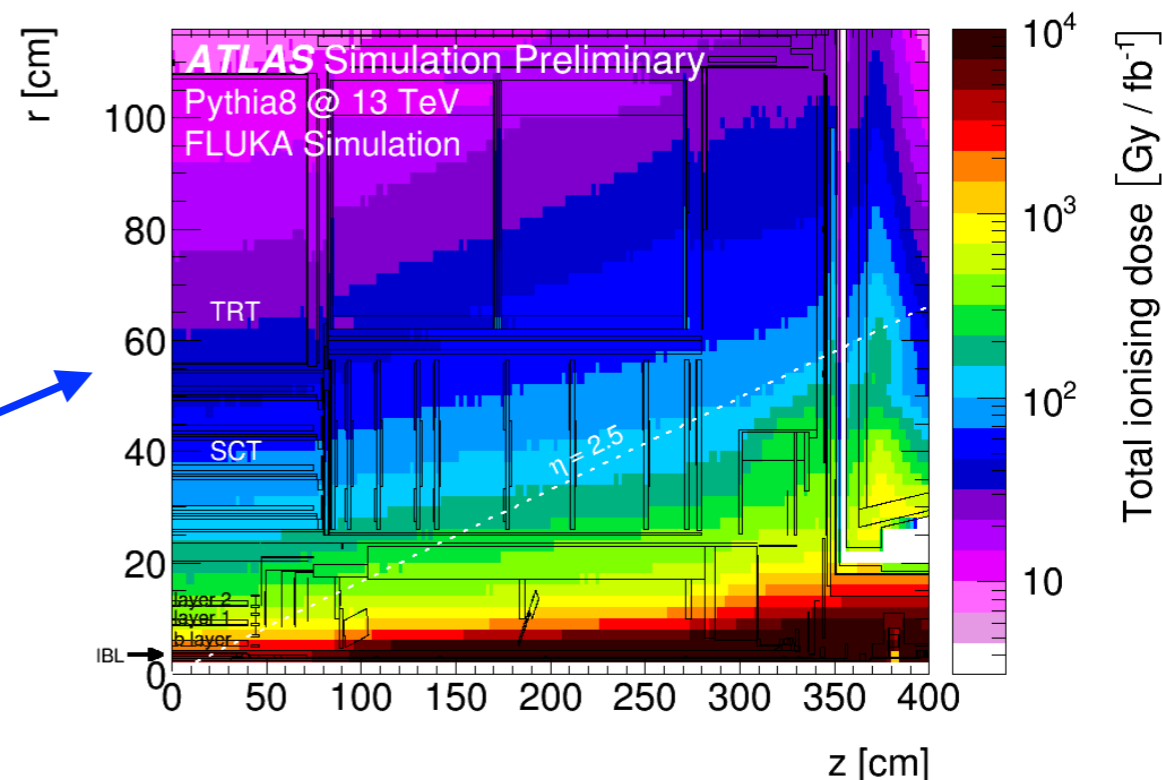
**More information on simulations in Paul Miyagawa's talk**



# Radiation Types: TID

Main radiation damage for readout chips is from **Total Ionising Dose (TID)**, measured in Mrad.

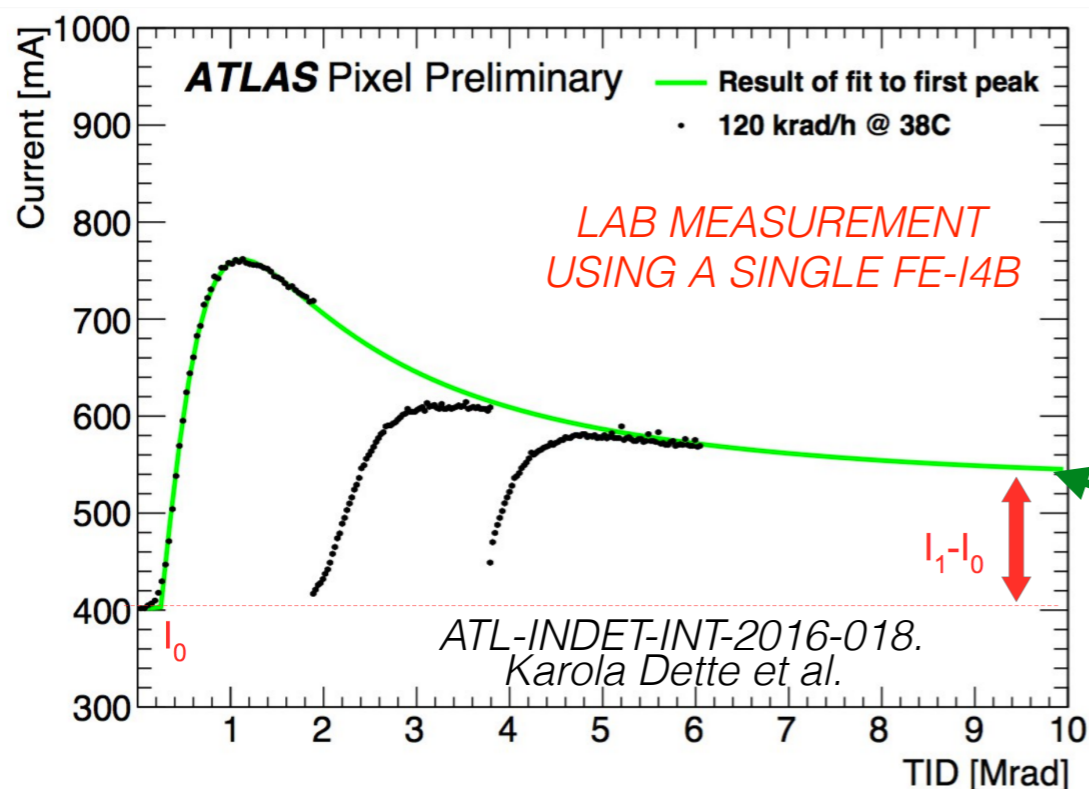
Again, TID is proportional to integrated luminosity, and the **ATLAS radiation simulation group calculates TID per fb for all areas of ATLAS**, using Pythia and FLUKA



**TID affects readout chip current consumption; there is not yet a model which accurately predicts this; [see Backhaus paper](#)**

At best, **can state the maximum expected current consumption at a given TID**

**We expect peak IBL current consumption at ~1 Mrad**

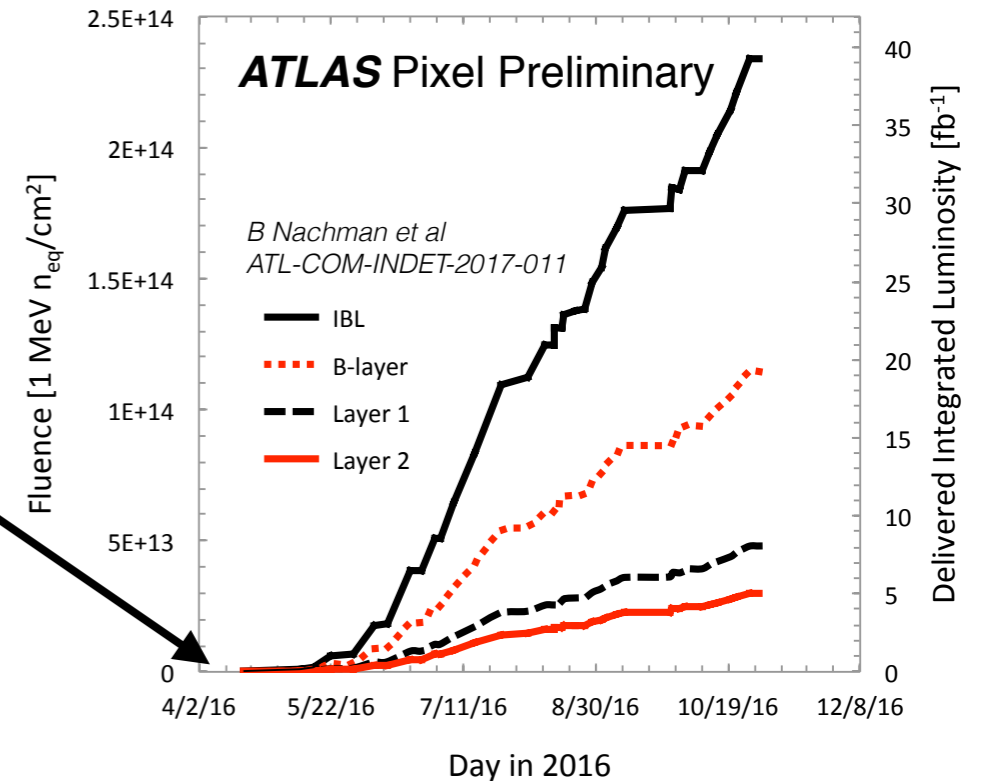




# Radiation Types: Summary

We have detailed **FLUKA simulations of fluence and TID rates for the entire ATLAS detector**, predicting **significantly different radiation levels for IBL, Pixel and SCT**

Would like to **validate FLUKA fluence simulations** with **leakage current measurements**



**Summary table of radiation rates for each detector**

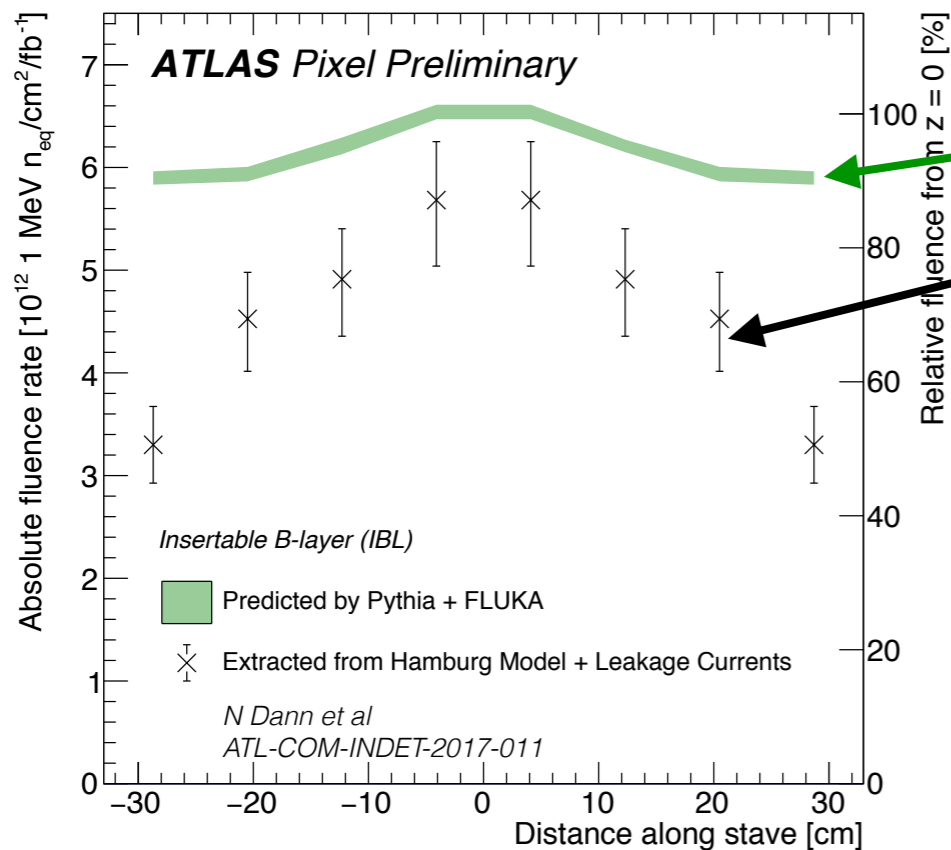
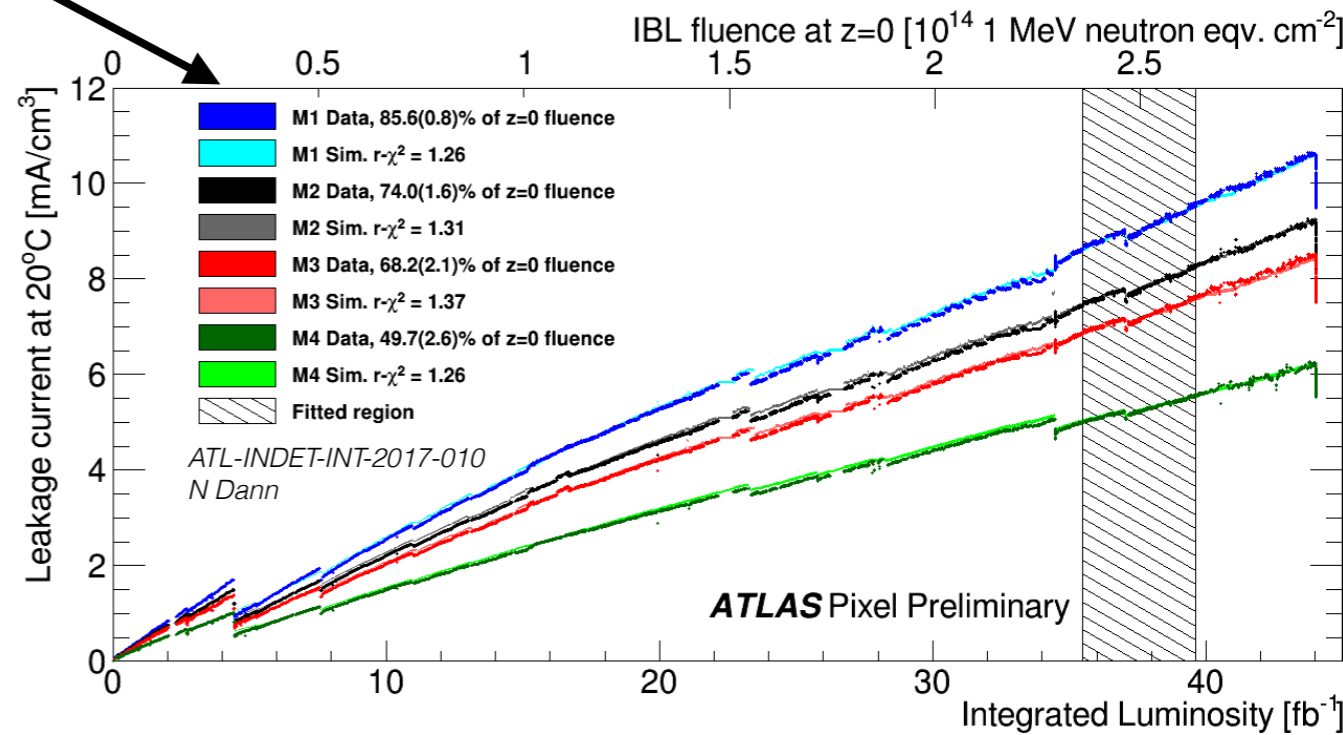
	Fluence rate [ $10^{12}$ 1 MeV n.eqv $\text{cm}^{-2}$ fb]	Percentage of IBL fluence [%]	TID rate [Mrad fb]	Total fluence [ $10^{14}$ 1 MeV n.eqv]	Total TID [Mrad]
IBL	5.9 - 6.6	100	0.30 - 0.35	6.23	33.04
Pixel barrel	0.8 - 2.9	~50	0.04 - 0.16	3.57	19.69
Pixel disks	0.8 - 0.8	~12	0.04 - 0.05	0.98	6.15
SCT barrel	0.2 - 0.3	~5	0.00 - 0.01	0.37	1.23
SCT disks	0.2 - 0.3	~5	0.00 - 0.02	0.37	1.23

# Measurements: IBL leakage currents

We investigated how **IBL leakage currents evolve as a function of integrated luminosity**, for all modules at  $|z| = 0-80$ ,  $80-160$ ,  $160-240$  and  $240-320$  mm

We then **calculate IBL fluence rate** by fitting **observed leakage currents** with **prediction from Hamburg model**. There is a clear z-dependence in leakage currents.

Find **excellent agreement for 2016 data at  $T = 10^\circ\text{C}$**  ( $r-\chi^2 < 1.3$ ). Poorer agreement elsewhere, due to temperature or under depletion



Compare **predicted rate** from Pythia + FLUKA with **measured IBL fluence rate**.

**General agreement between simulation and data** (correct order of magnitude, greatest fluence at  $|z|=0$ )

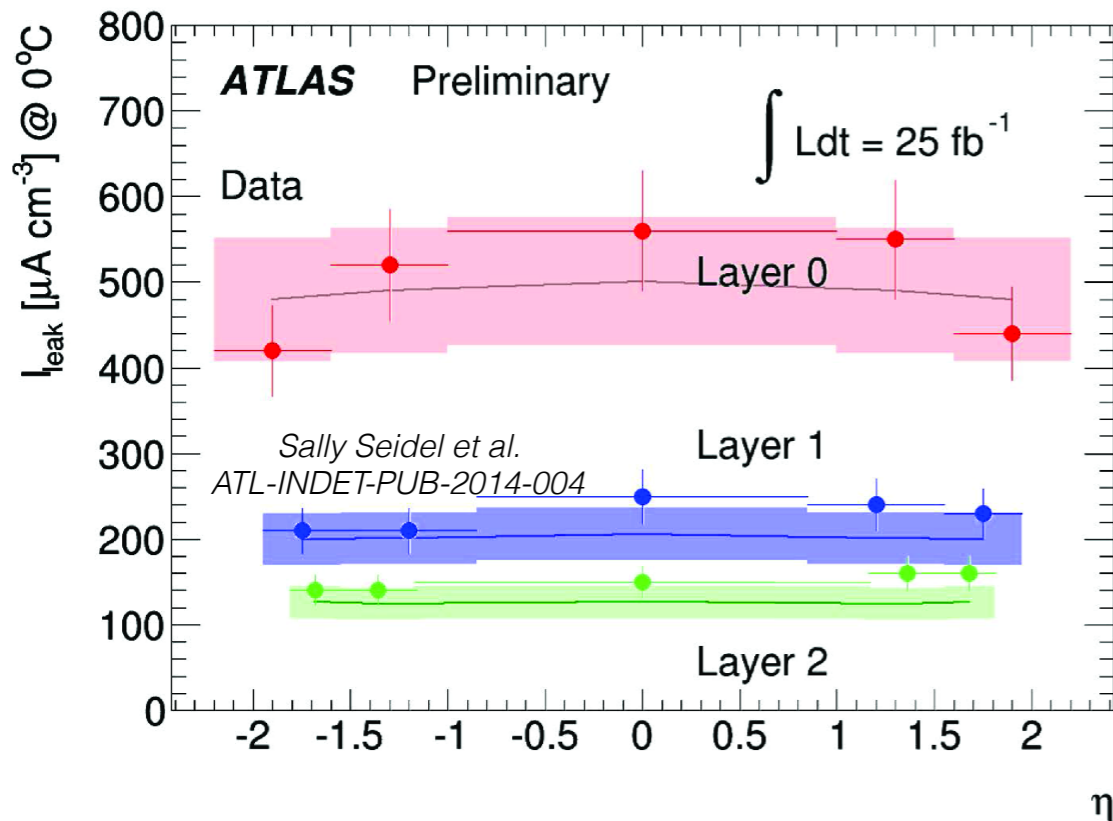
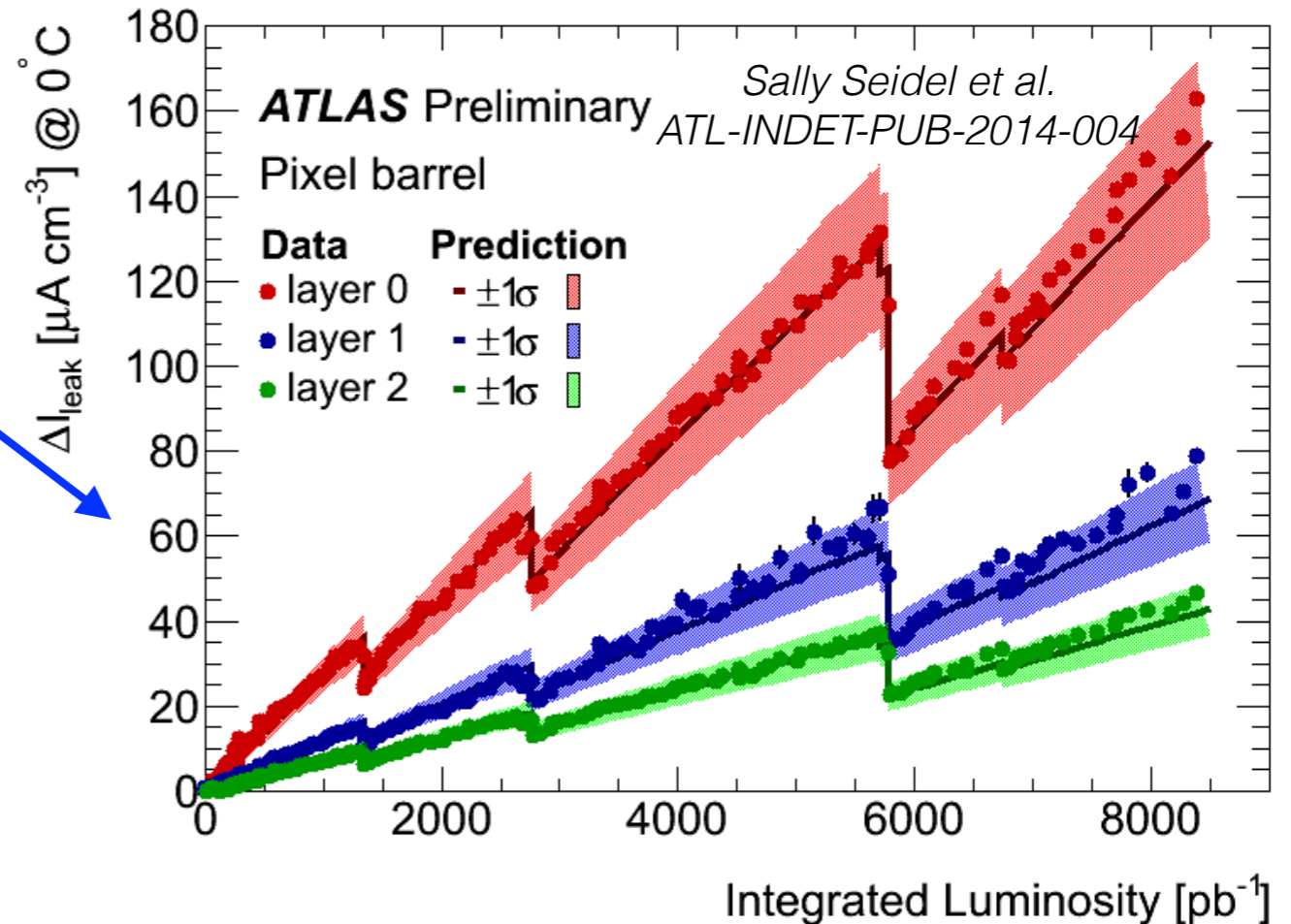
**FLUKA simulation overestimates fluence rate by 15-40%**, and **underestimates the z-dependence** (observed a 35% decrease, expected 10%)

# Measurements: Pixel Leakage Currents

ATLAS has also **investigated how B-layer leakage currents evolve** as a function of integrated luminosity in Run 1.

Compare **observed leakage current with modelled leakage current**, using simulated fluence rate values, for **B-layer, layer 1 and 2**

**General agreement for all layers in Run 1**, limited by large uncertainties on fluence-rate simulations



Also **investigated z-dependence of Pixel leakage current in Run 1** for **B-layer, layer 1 and 2**

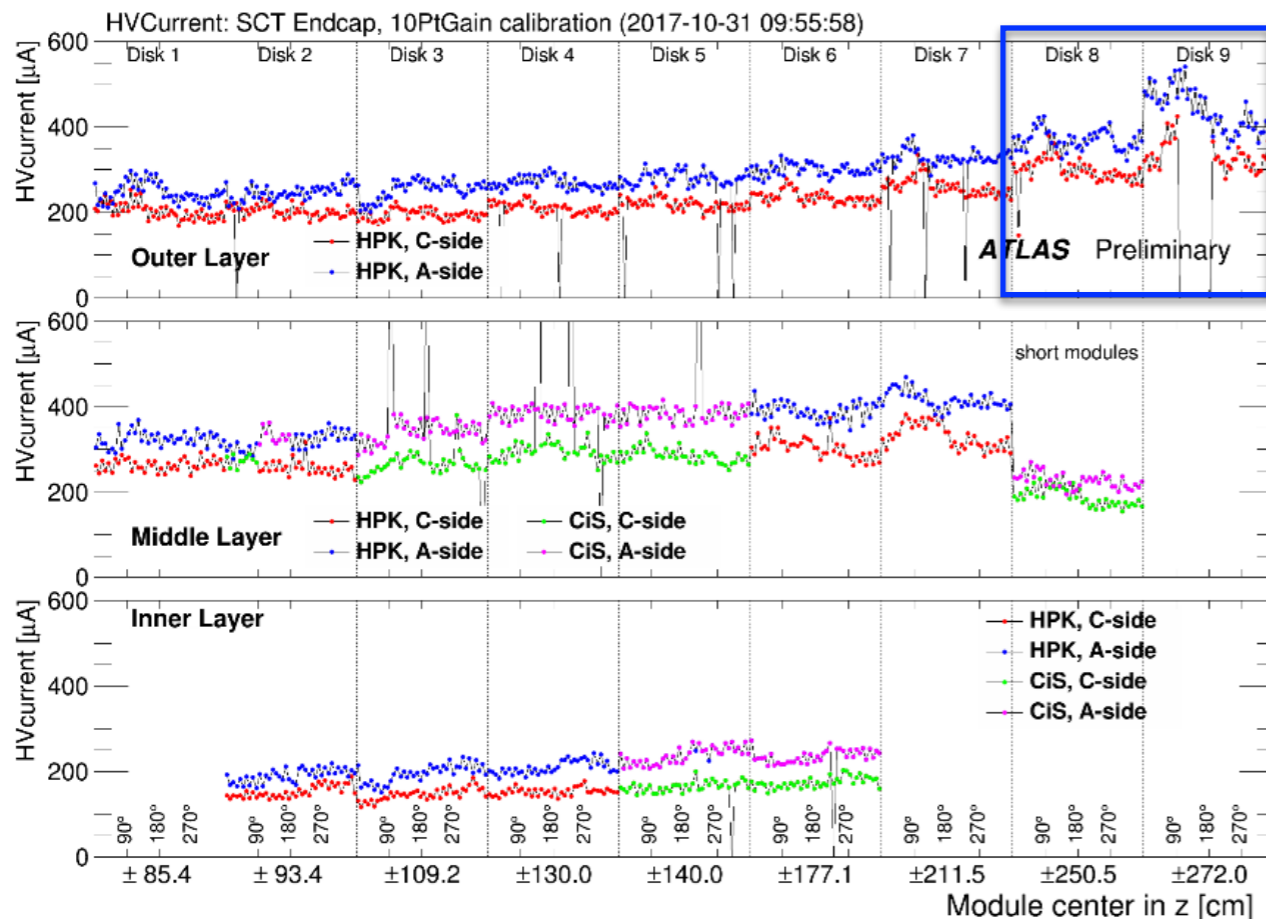
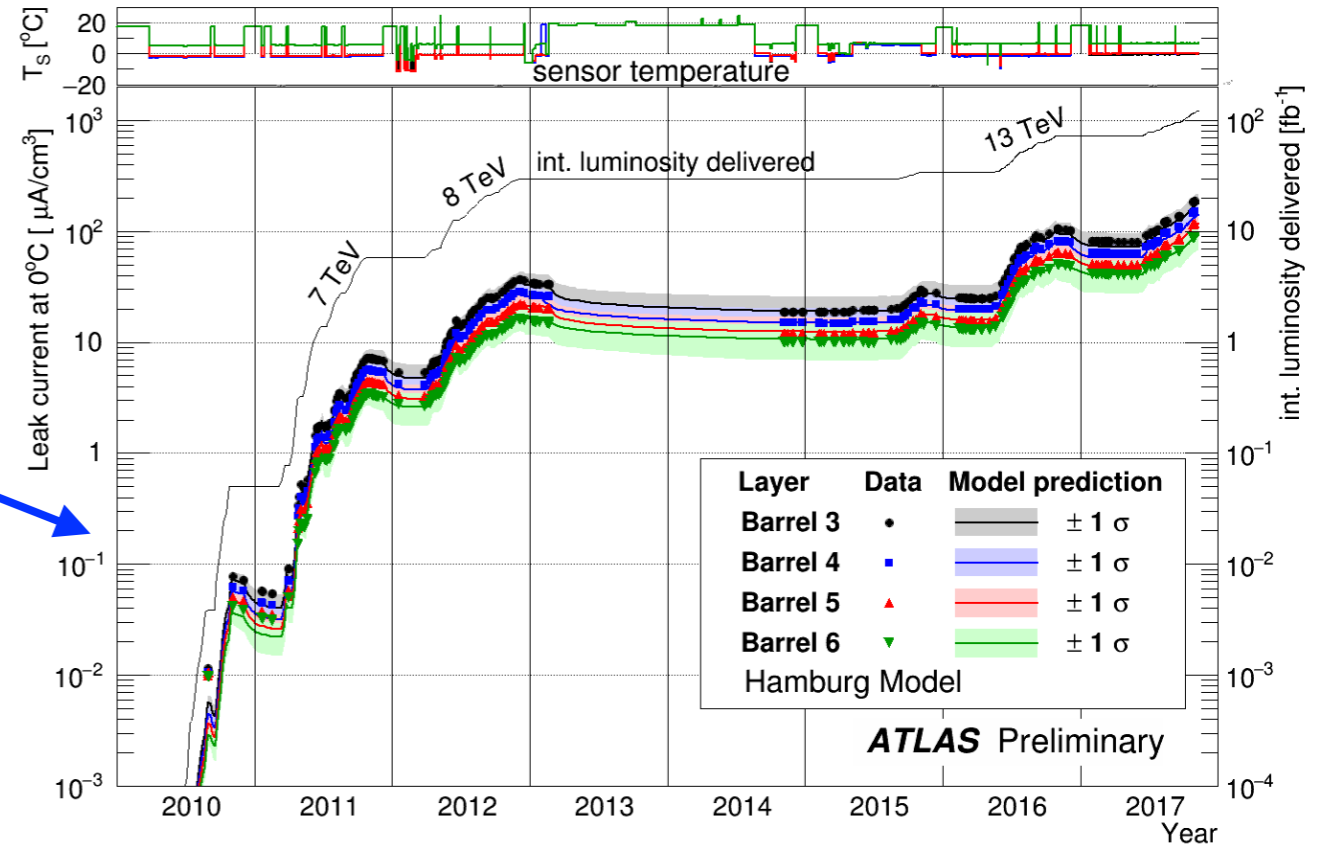
We can clearly **see a similar structure to the IBL**, with higher values in the central regions. **Structure is largest in the B layer, smallest in Layer 2.**

# Measurements: SCT leakage currents

Investigated **evolution of SCT leakage current against time for all SCT layers**

Compare **observed SCT leakage current with modelled leakage current**, using simulated fluence rate values.

**General agreement for all layers** in Run 1 and 2.



**SCT barrel leakage currents show no significant z-dependance**

**SCT disks show much higher (~2x) leakage current in end disks (8&9), as predicted by FLUKA simulations**

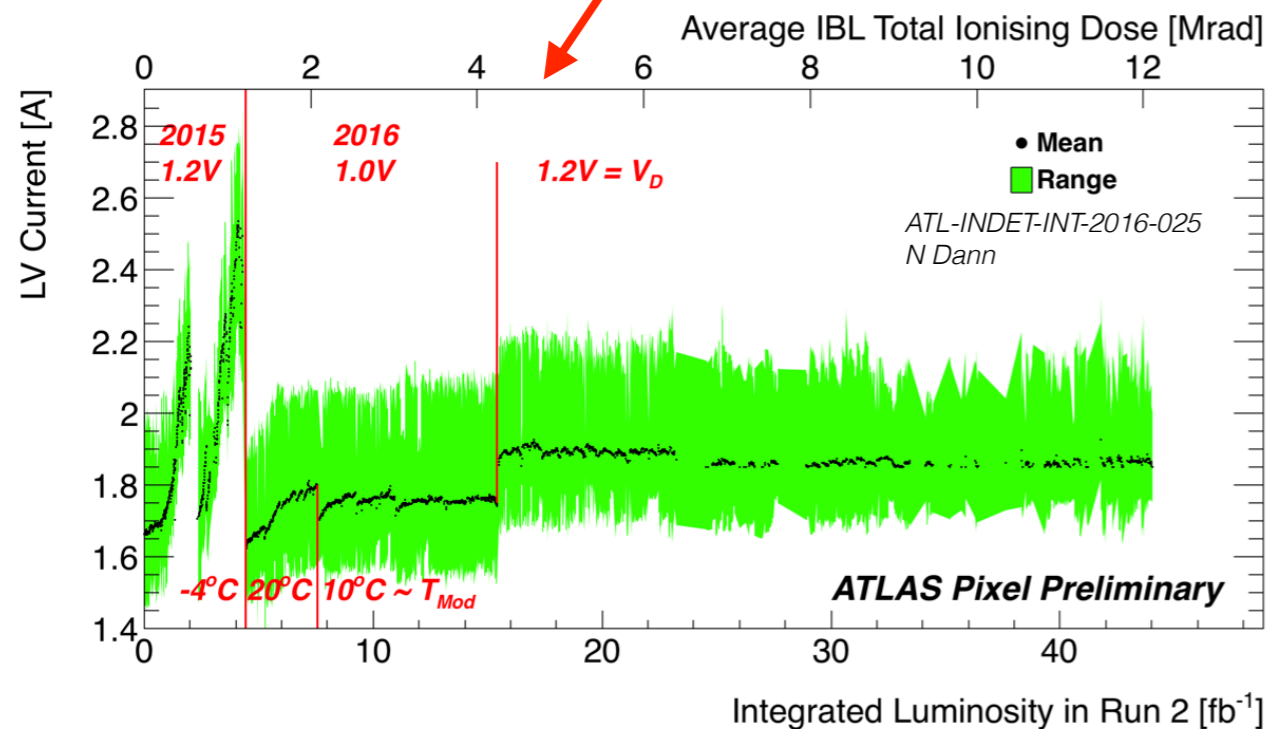
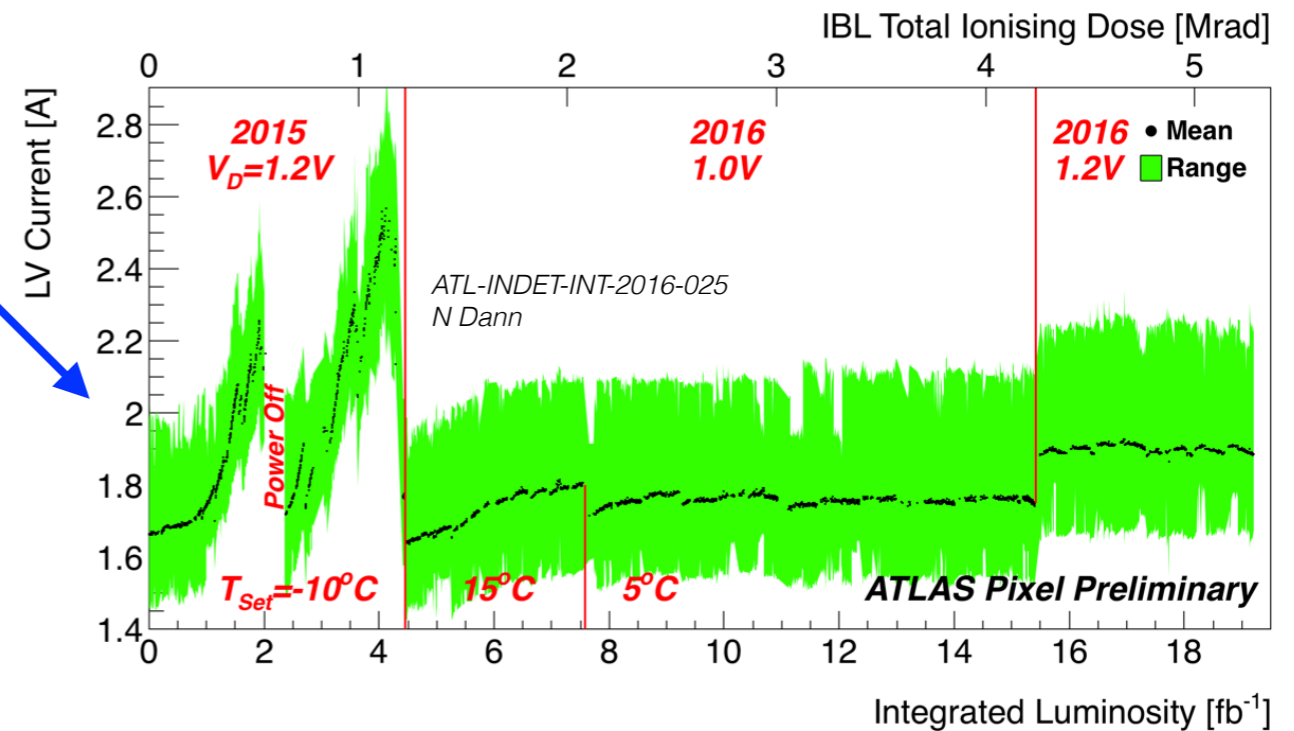


# Measurements: IBL Readout Chips

Investigated how **IBL readout chip current consumptions evolved**

Clearly see **IBL readout chip currents increased dangerously in 2015**. Currents stable in 2016 after increasing operating temperature

**Currents have remained stable since**



There is **not yet a good predictive model for readout chip currents** as a function of TID

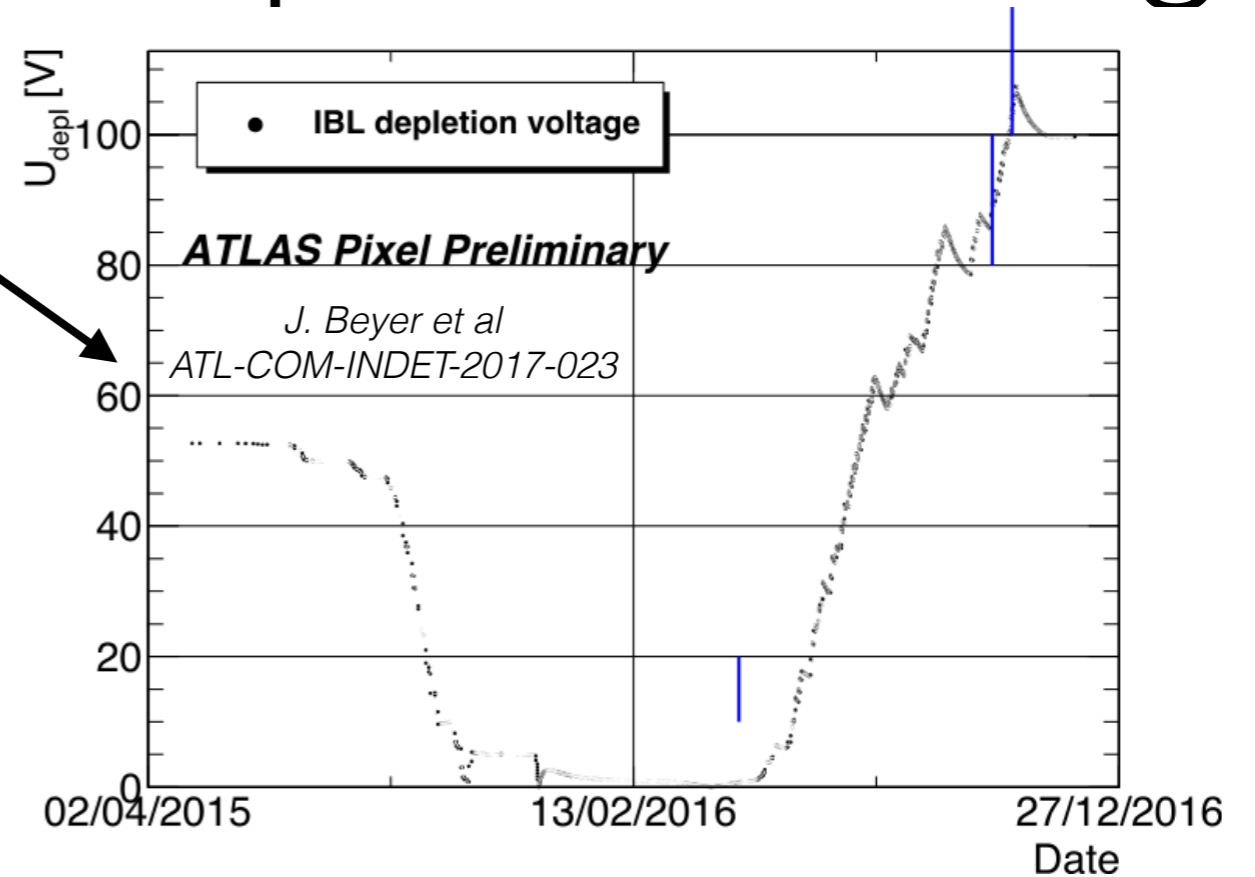
At best, we **expected to see a peak in chip current consumption at  $\sim 1$  Mrad; results are consistent with this**

Changes in temperature/operating voltage may have hidden a later peak.

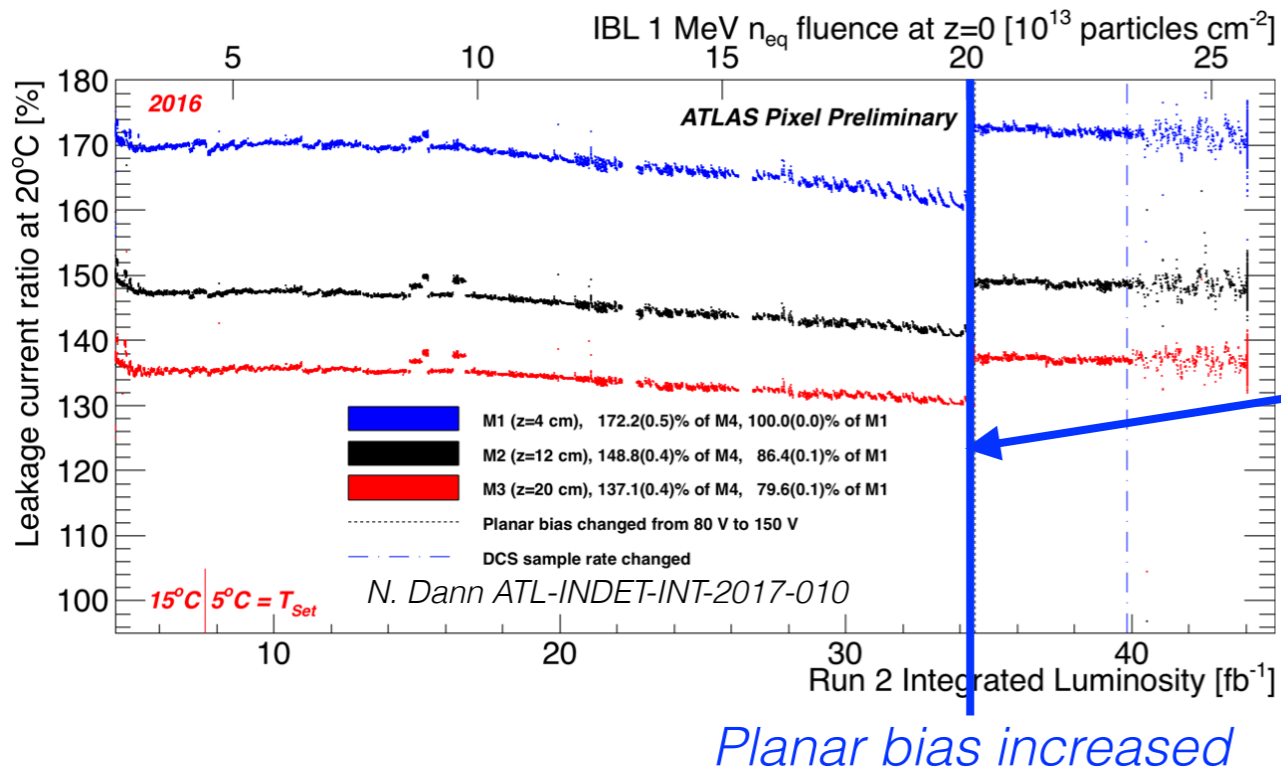
# Measurements: IBL Depletion Voltage

Also investigated how **IBL depletion voltages evolve** in IBL planar sensors, comparing **predicted values** from the Hamburg model, against **measured data**

**Hamburg model does not account for the first depletion voltage measurement, does accurately predict the rest**



The **IBL sensors receive different fluence rates**, and thus **have different leakage currents**. The Hamburg model predicts the **ratio of leakage currents should be constant for all groups**

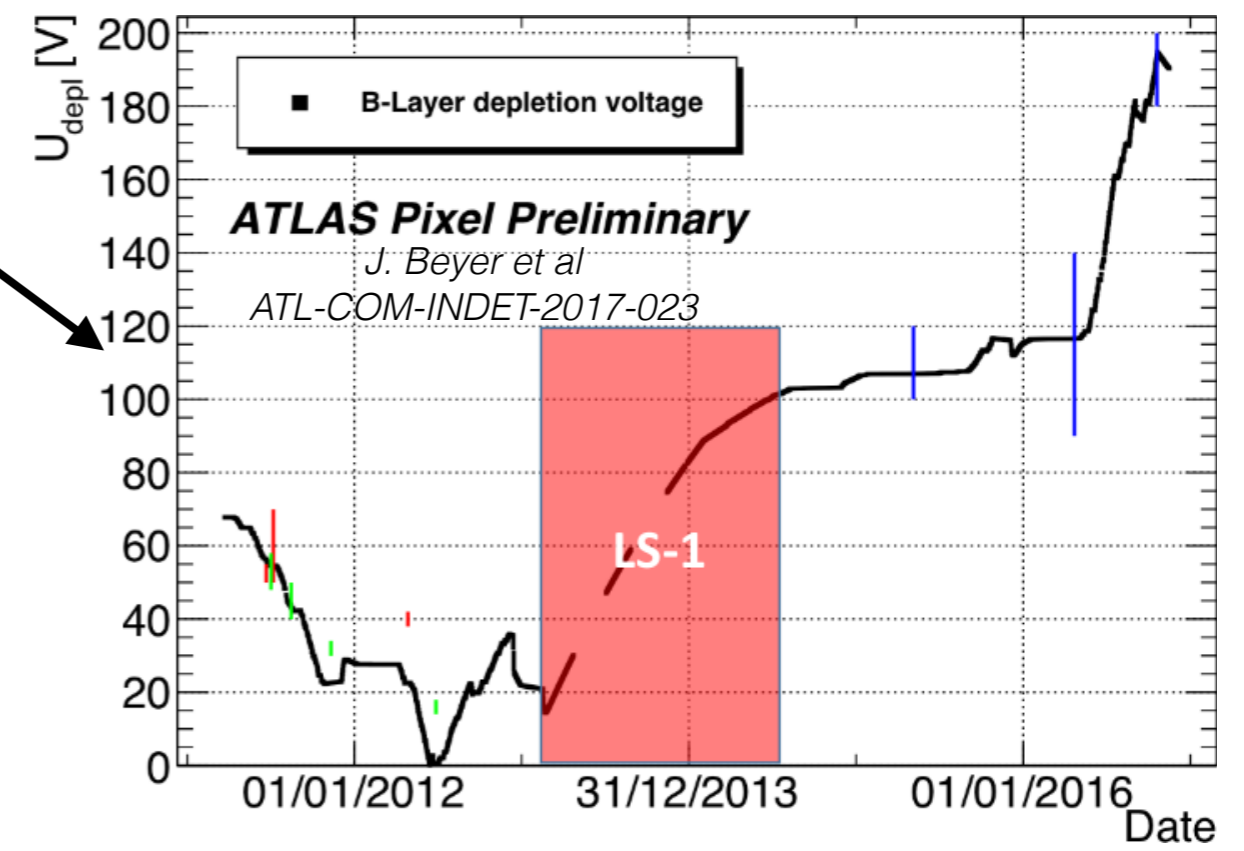


The **IBL leakage current ratios are clearly stable after the increase in planar IBL bias** in 2016, as predicted. We compare 3D modules at  $|z| = 240-320$  with planar modules at  $|z| = 0-80, 80-160, 160-240$  mm

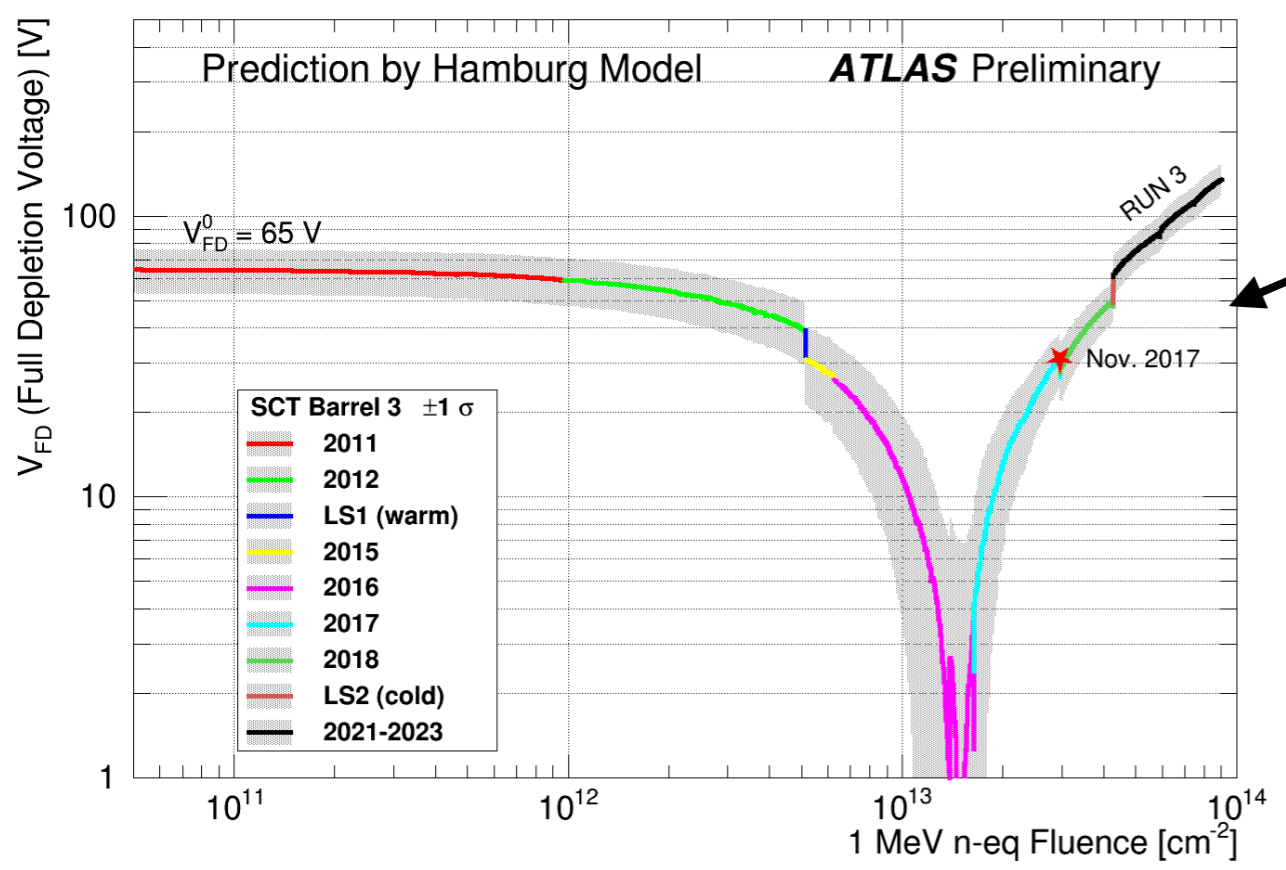
The **decrease in leakage current ratios** before this is **evidence that the modules were under depleted**

# Measurements: Pixel/SCT Depletion Voltage

**Depletion voltages** have also been **simulated and measured in the B-layer** comparing **predicted values** from the Hamburg model, against measured data in **Run 1 and 2**



The **Hamburg model accurately predicts the measured depletion voltage values**



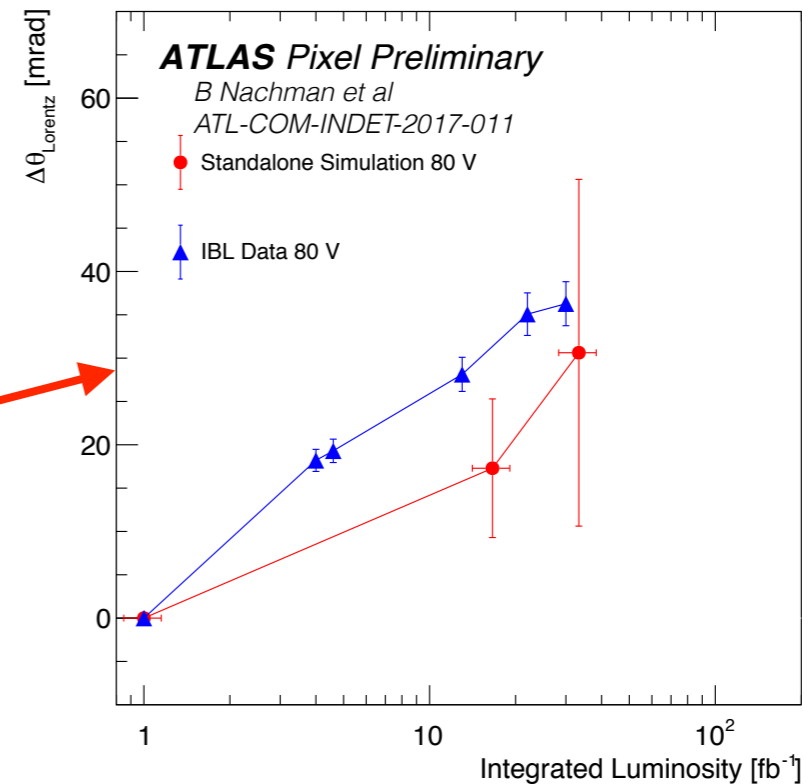
**Depletion voltage simulations** have also been done for **SCT Barrel 3**, but no measurements have been made yet

**Hamburg model predicts Barrel 3 should have passed the type-inversion point**, and that the depletion voltage will approach 200 V by 2023

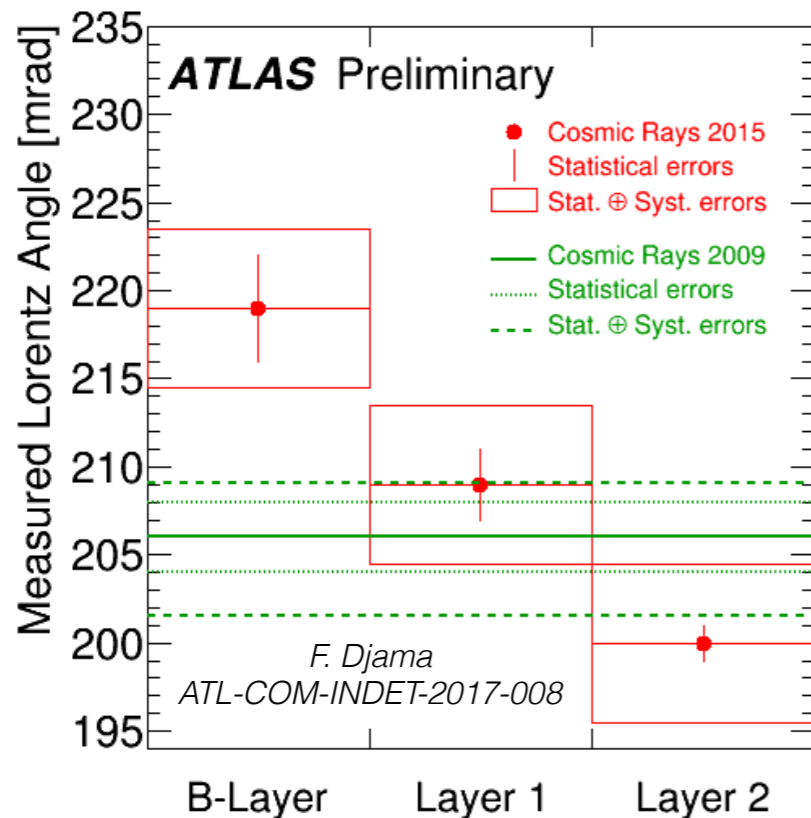
# Measurements: Lorentz Angles

Charge carriers in ATLAS's silicon sensors are deflected by a magnetic field, the angle of this deflection is called the Lorentz angle

The **Lorentz angle can be measured**, and **varies as a function of radiation damage**. We **observe the expected increase of angle with integrated luminosity**



See Ben Nachman's talk for details on the simulation



Also found Lorentz angle for Pixel before Run 1 and Run 2

Can clearly see there was no difference in Lorentz angle between layers, before Run 1

Can clearly see B-layer has highest Lorentz angle, Layer-2 has lowest, before Run 2

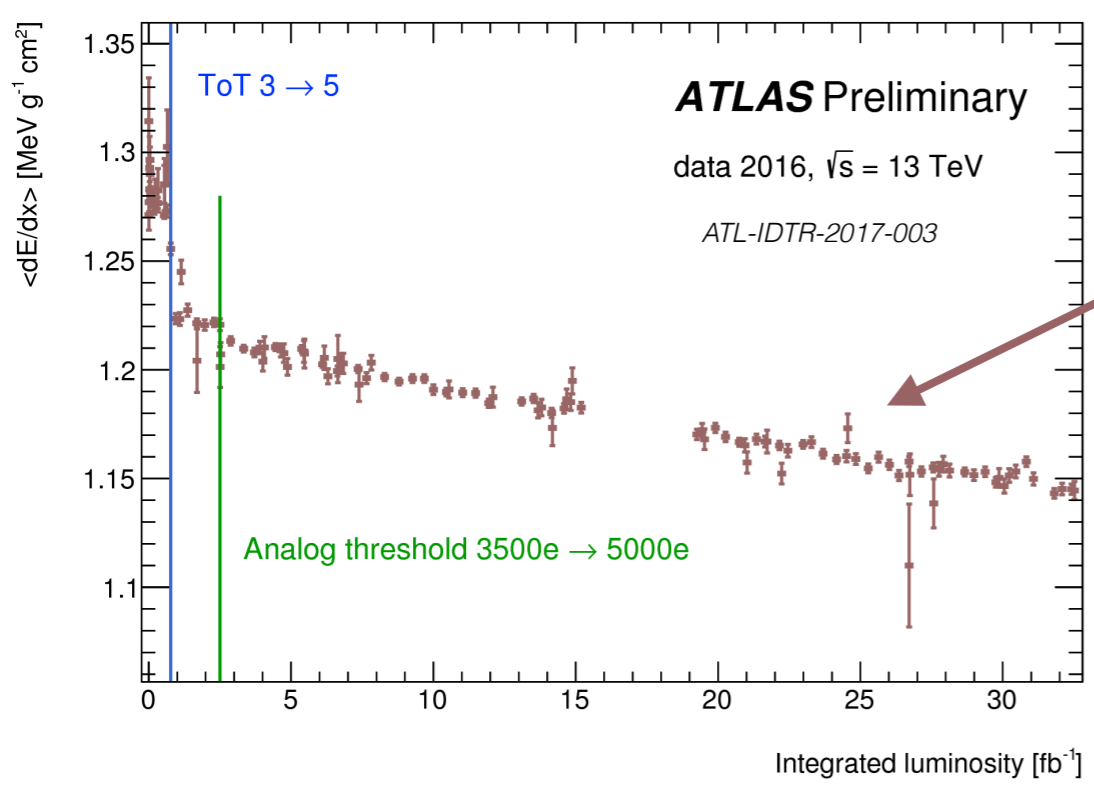
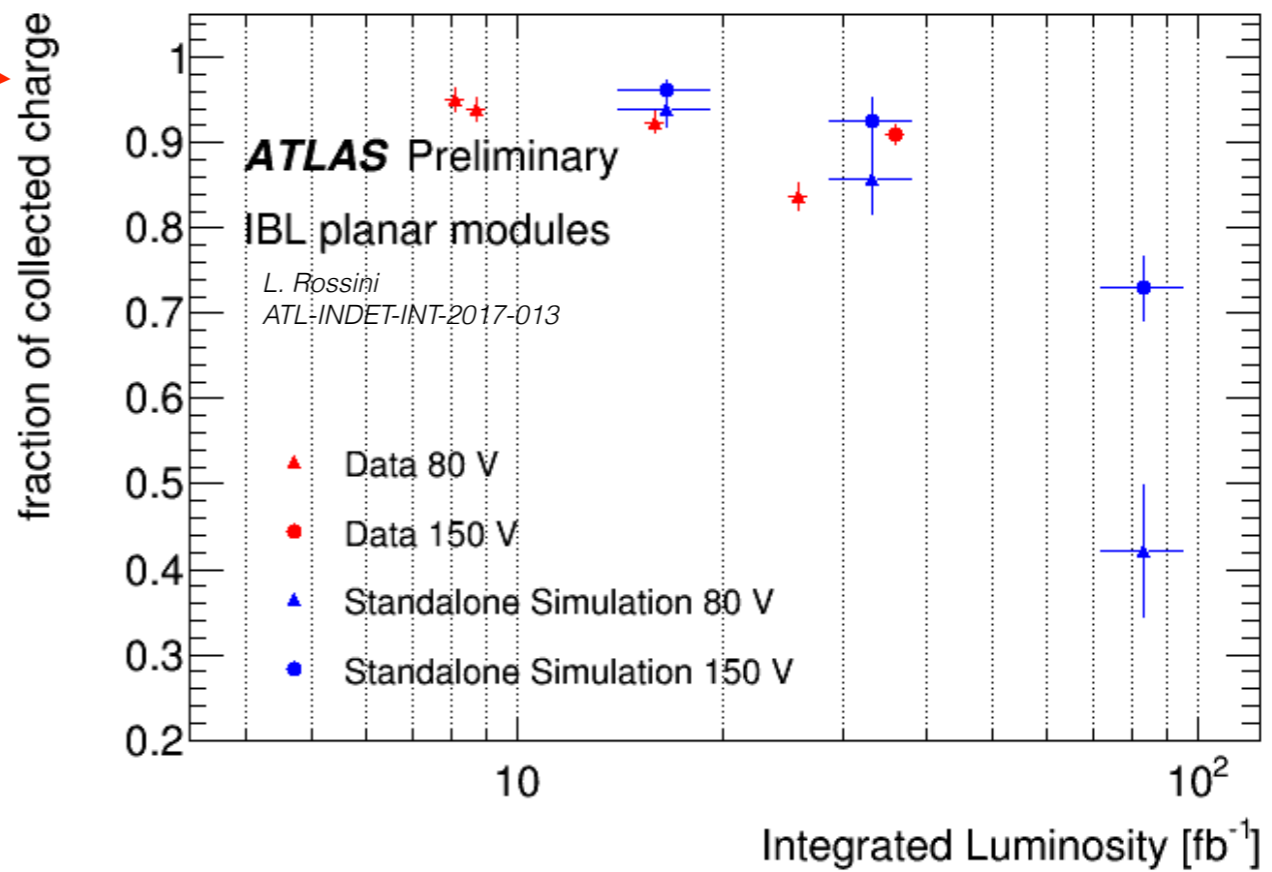


# Measurements: IBL and Pixel Charge Collection

Measured how **IBL charge collection efficiency varied** as integrated luminosity increased; expect the efficiency to decrease due to radiation damage

**Observe the expected decrease in charge collection efficiency**

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Performed **similar measurements for B-layer, using dE/dx instead**

**dE/dx value is related to the charge collection efficiency**, and will decrease as radiation damage increases

Can clearly see the **gradual decrease in dE/dx due to radiation damage**, and the step changes, due to changing tuning thresholds in the readout chips

# Summary

We have very **detailed models of fluence and TID per ifb for the entire ATLAS detector**

**General agreement between FLUKA simulations and leakage current observations** in IBL, B-layer, layer 1 and 2 and SCT

**Significant difference in z-dependance of fluence for IBL**. Smaller effect seen in Pixel. No z-dependence found for SCT Barrel

**IBL readout chips affected by TID**, observations consistent with FLUKA TID simulations

**Hamburg model predicts depletion voltage evolutions**; these generally **match measurements in the IBL and B-layer**

**Lorentz angles have been measured for IBL**; values increasing as expected, but observe lower angles than predicted. From pixel measurements, we clearly **see highest Lorentz angles in B-layer and lowest in Layer-2**

**Charge collection efficiency is decreasing in IBL**, in line with simulations

# Back up

# Temperature normalisation

$$\text{(eq. 1)} \quad \frac{\Delta I}{V}(\Phi, T, t) = \alpha(T, t) \cdot \Phi = R(T) \cdot \alpha(T_R, t) \cdot \Phi$$

where  $R(T)$  is the ratio between the leakage current measured at temperature  $T$  and a certain reference temperature  $T_R$ .  $R(T)$  is given by [6] as:

$$\text{(eq. 2)} \quad R(T) = \frac{I(T_R)}{I(T)} = \left(\frac{T_R}{T}\right)^2 \exp\left(-\frac{E_g}{2k_B} \left[\frac{1}{T_R} - \frac{1}{T}\right]\right).$$

In this work all presented data have been normalized to  $T_R = 20^\circ\text{C}$  using an effective energy gap of  $E_g = 1.12$  eV. Most previously reported data on the annealing of the leakage current have been parameterized with a normalized annealing function  $g(t)$  consisting of a sum of exponentials [7,8]

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/download?doi=10.1.1.55.2759&rep=rep1&type=pdf>

[6] : S.M. Sze, *Physics of Semiconductor Devices*, 2nd ed. (Wiley, 1984)



# Leakage current dependence on fluence

**Change in leakage current** ( $\Delta I$ ) in silicon sensors **mostly due to** electron-hole pair generation at radiation-induced **defects in sensor bulk**

Bulk defects mainly created by NIEL, **number of defects increases ~linearly with fluence** ( $\Phi_{eq}$ ), and **leakage current should be ~proportional to fluence**, mathematically where  $\mathcal{V}$  is the sensor volume and  $\alpha$  is the damage function

$$\Delta I = \alpha \Phi_{eq} \mathcal{V}$$

Complication; **defects can anneal over time**, with greater annealing at higher temperature => **expect leakage current to decrease over time**, => add time ( $t$ ) and temperature ( $T_k$ ) dependence to damage function  $\alpha$ . Also add empirical  $\ln$  term to account for long-term effects

$$\alpha(t, T_k) = \alpha_1 \exp(-t/\tau_1) + \alpha_0 - \beta \ln(t/t_0)$$

Final complication;  $\alpha(t, T_k)$  is only valid for a single irradiation. IBL is irradiated multiple times => instead find and update  $\alpha(t, T_k)$  and  $\Phi$  for each luminosity block, then sum them together to find total  $\Delta I$ , i.e.

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*(current = sum of all alpha parameters \* fluence \* volume)*

**Finally**, substitute fluence = constant conversion factor \* integrated luminosity ( $\Phi_i = F * L_i$ ) can see that  $\Delta I = F * \sum \alpha_i * L_i$

For **IBL**, **all modules** should **have same alphas**, any **differences in fluence** should **result in proportional differences in leakage current**; i.e.

$$\Delta I_1 / \Delta I_2 = F_1 / F_2$$

*(current 1 / current 2 = conversion factor 1 / conversion factor 2)*

Test this on next slide by plotting relative leakage currents in each module group (i.e. plot  $I_{\text{module group 1}} / I_{\text{module group 4}}$ )

# Can we predict leakage currents?

**Record time** ( $t$ ), mean **temperature** ( $T_k$ ) and use these to **find** the **damage function**  $\alpha^i$  for every lumi block, **and** the **evolution** of all previous  $\alpha^i$ 's

**Find lumi** delivered in every lumi block, **convert to fluence** ( $\Phi_{eq}^i$ )

**Multiply** all  $\alpha^i$ 's by relevant  $\Phi_{eq}^i$ , **sum results** to find total  $\alpha$

Temperature dependence studied in range 20 - 100 C, we're at ~10C. Recent studies find greater than expected annealing at room temperature => **model will** likely underestimate annealing and **overestimate leakage current**



# Hamburg model parameterisation values

Change in leakage current ( $\Delta I$ ) with fluence ( $\Phi_{eq}$ ), where  $V$  is the sensor volume and  $\alpha$  is the damage function

$$\Delta I = \alpha \Phi_{eq} V$$

Time ( $t$ ) and temperature ( $T_k$ ) dependance of damage function  $\alpha$

$$\alpha(t, T_R) = \alpha_1 \exp(-t/\tau_I) + \alpha_0 - \beta \ln(t/t_0)$$

$$\alpha_1 = 1.23 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm}$$

$$1/\tau_I = k_{0I} \exp( E_I / (k_B * T_k) )$$

$$k_{0I} = 1.2 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$E_I = 1.11 \text{ eV}$$

$$k_B = 8.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K.}$$

$$\alpha_0 = -8.9 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm} + ( 4.6 \times 10^{-14} / T_k ) \text{ A K/cm}$$

$$\beta = 2.9 \times 10^{-18} \text{ A/cm}$$