Highly-integrated light-weight mechanical structures for the **Silicon Tracking System of CBM** at FAIR

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Silicon Tracking System of the CBM experiment

core detector for rare probes of compressed nuclear matter in high-rate heavy-ion collisions



- ► Challenges for tracker:
 - Silicon Tracking System $\blacktriangleright \lesssim 700$ tracks in aperture /interaction, high granularity
 - low momenta \rightarrow low material budget $(3 8\% X_0)$
 - spatial ($< 30 \,\mu m$) + timing ($< 5 \,ns$) + amplitude ($15 \,fC/5 \,bit$) information collected in free-streaming mode Mechanics of Silicon Tracking System of CBM m.teklishvn@gsi.de

Design and components of the STS

Detector inside the CBM magnet











18 c-frame assemblies

Components:

- 8 stations
- 18 half-units
- 106 ladders
- 896 Sensor modules

STS assembly sequence and structure



▶ 876 modules, 106 ladders, $\gtrsim 14\,000$ r/o ASICs, $\gtrsim 7\,000$ LDOs

Large number of unique components: 199 module variants, 38 ladder types
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Detector module construction



Ultra-thin r/o micro cables

aluminium analog lines on the polyimid base

 Front-end electronics connected to double-sided silicon sensors via mictro-cable lines (64 lines/cable)



- Stack of 32 micro cables per module, 8 sub types
- Overall length from 160mm to 495mm



- Read-out lines are protected from EMI by aluminium shielding layers
- \searrow Schematics of a single cable:





Micro-cable production ongoing at LTU, Kharkiv (60% of $\sim 15\,000$ cables ready at GSI)

Front-end electronics

New FEB8-2_B design (PCBs ordered):



Recent update on FEB8-5_B design:



 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LV}}\xspace/\ensuremath{\mathsf{HV}}\xspace$ circuit updated in new iteration



- PCBs to provide mechanical support, powering, and data links for 8 SMX
- Two flavors for A/B data cable topology
 - multi-layer design with dozens differential lines
 - two FEBs per module (A/B for right-, B/A for left-oriented)
 - up to 8 W power dissipation
 - withstand HV up to $\pm 250\,{
 m V}$
 - ▶ 30.6 × 100.1 mm² size



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FEB mechanical and electrical features



solder stop mask pads to maintain distance to aluminum cooling fin

- Data lines + clock: 40 or 100 lines (FEB8_2/FEB8_5)
 - HV decoupling w/ capacitors
 - ZIF connector for data cable
- Analogue lines covered with EM shielding on HV (each layer)



- Ground interfaces through PCB to cooling fin
- Powering:
 - service connector for testing
 - permanent soldering at the edge to the flat LV cable + coax. HV cable

Module assembly

- STS detector modules are produced in the assembly centres in GSI and KIT
 - tools and procedures are shared between centres
 - highly integrated objects: extensive testing at each step





Pre-series production in spring 2022 to validate the sequence

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Gluing of the thermal interface



- After module assembly, 2.7mm thick aluminum cooling fin is glued in between
- Low viscosity glue, $150 \,\mu m$ thick
 - thermal interface
 - ▶ insulation for ±250 V

Details in poster of Shaifali Mehta

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Module functionality tests: reception, calibration, burn-in

Module installed into the carrier structure with interfaces for testing:



Module beseline width measured



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- Module burn-in: performance test under thermal stress:
 - ▶ cycles from $+25^{\circ}$ C to -40° C



See poster of Marcel Bajdel about temp./humidity sensors



Ladder assembly and integration



Central ladder shape

- CF ligjt-wight (but sufficiently stiff) ladder structures to hold on sensors
- Central ladders w/ cut-out for beam pipe (various designs considered):



Ladder assembly sequence

- From 8 to 10 detector modules installed on the light-weight carbon structures: ladders
- Sensors precisely positioned $(\lesssim 30 \,\mu{\rm m})$ with jigs





 Assembled ladders undergo metrology survey and functionality tests



After tests ladder is installed on c-frame



Optical metrology and functionality tests of the ladders



- dedicated table with camera
- ▶ $\mathcal{O}(10\,\mu\mathrm{m})$ measured precision
- multi-point probing





Actual position of the sensors stored in data base m.teklishyn@gsi.de

- Performance check with the assembled ladder:
 - DAQ communication testHV (spark) test
- flexible design to mount every type of ladder
- Dimensions: 1500mm x 400mm x 110mm
- Weight: ≈ 40kg





Optimisation of the c-frame structure



C-Frame design workflow:

- Starts with the rough definition of the component positioning and description
- Iterations CellCore:
 - use case and loads definition for the Unit
 - \blacktriangleright optimization study with FE \rightarrow mass reduction and stiffness increase
- \blacktriangleright Redrawing of the FE Result \rightarrow compatibility with manufacturing

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Tracker mechanics and services



Mainframe assembling sequence



- Alu. rails installed
- Verticals then horizontal CF beams mounted on bottom plate
- Top plate and front/back walls attached (CF + AIREX sandwich of 30 mm)

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Beam pipe

- Beam pipe full-size prototype will be produced this year ►
- ► FEM simulation: critical part is transition from membrane to cone



- Window and conical pipe:
 - separate target/MVD vacuum and non-interacting beam from STS aperture
- Carbon fiber material: 0.5 mm (window) 1.0 mm $(1.8^{\circ} \text{ cone})$
- Window attached to target vacuum chamber
- Zero-force interface at back wall towards downstream section

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Mechanics of Silicon Tracking System of CBM

STS Beampipe

RICH Beampipe

Powering and electrical r/o lines



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Topology of the STS services

Power section



- One round bundle per POB approximation 16,5mm
- POB to feed through routing

Optics section



- Individual optic lines from ROB to fan out
- Bundles to feed through and MPO-MPO panel

Cooling section



- 1" manifold with 1/4" pipes towards C-Frames
- 1/4" swagelok steel flex hoses

All sections



STS front wall and services



The front wall of the STS enclosure hosts inlets for detector services:

- Suitable feed-through for
 - optical fibres
 - HV/LV power cables
 - cooling pipes
- Additional custom enclosure for optical connections on the front wall
- Areas reserved for additional services still available

Optics section Power section

Power and optical feed throughs:

Roxtec EzEntry™

Leichte Kabeleinführungsdichtungen mit Verbundrohmen.

Die Rontec EzEintry¹⁴ Kobeleinführungsdichtungen hoben leichte Verbundrohmen und passen direkt in Stendordoffnungen. Sie sind in 6 Größen erhöltlich für 4 bis 30 Kabel in Stendordkonfigurationen und bieten Schutzkloss IP 66/67.



Wosserdich

Stoubdicht

- Platzsparence
- Nimmt varkonfektionierte Kabel a

Cooling feed throughs: Roxtec-Dichtung RS

Die Rostec RS Abdichtung ist ein nunder Stopfen, bestehend aus zwei Höfften und einem Kern, dessen Innendurchmesser durch das Entfernen der Pellen anpassbar ist. Die Kompression ist in die Dichtung integriert. Ermöglicht die Installation um ein vorhanderen Kabel date Rahr.

- Expansionsmontage in der Einbauöffnung
 Für ein einzeines Kabel oder Rohr
- Optionale Manteirohre erhältlich



RS 75 A252310

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Mechanical deformation for the mainframe

FEA simulations



Mechanical precision

- Knowledge of the mechanical behavior of the system is essential
 - number of free parameters of the sensors: 850×5 (3 coordinates + 2 angles)
 - ▶ par. matrix reduced by constraints (down to 18×3 w/ ladder/unit metr.)
 - known and predictable deformation of the structural elements



- Track-based alignment cannot be avoided
 - external "coarse tuning" information
 - from metrology during assembly + validated simulations

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Assembling and transportation table



ergonomic height

worknlace system for tools and

Substructure holds the weight of 2t, movable with 2 persons

- Size: \blacktriangleright H: ergonomic height (~ 70 75 cm)
 - W: not larger than the STSBox to allow manoeuvres in the lab

Extendable thread bolts in the bottom table frame could fix table position

- Place for cable storage
- ★ First ready prototype in the STS lab@GSI

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Mechanical mock-up of the detector



Real life mechanical behaviour

- cabling and wiring
- micro cables, detectors
- Test bench for the assembling
 - evaluation of the accessibility
 - exercise metrology



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Thermal demonstrator



- Close-to-final prototype to check thermal behavior of the system
- Playground for mechanical studies:
 - CF sandwich panels but aluminium frame
 - aluminium c-frames + CF ladders + pipes + dummy components (heat loads, structural components...)

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mSTS: functional full-scale detector prototype



- Final Two tracking stations (layers) $12 \times 12 \, {\rm cm}^2$ and $18 \times 18 \, {\rm cm}^2$ arranged by 4 units
- Ultimate test of the detector performance in the fully integrated system
- Close-to-final running conditions
- Commissioning of the assembling and testing procedures to be used
- Hit/track reconstruction performance with the heavy ion beam at SIS18



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mSTS construction

c-frame mechanical assembly



▶ All mech. components + services integrated on c-frame before ladder installation

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mSTS construction

c-frame mechanical assembly



All mech. components + services integrated on c-frame before ladder installation
 Back-end electronics (CROBs) and power electronics (POBs w/ FEASTs) installed after mechanics (cooling blocks, support elements...)

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mSTS construction

ladder integration and services



mSTS: functional full-scale detector prototype

tests with ion beam at GSI

- mCBM was operated in beam campaigns in 2020 and 2021
- mSTS demonstrated tracking with 2/2 detector layers mostly operational





Outlook and conclusions



Outlook: possible modularity of STS

- Very preliminary study: modular two-part STS design
 - additional space reqs. completed in X, Y, Z follows
 - service separation concept between movable and stationary STS Units almost done
 - movable inner frame conceptually done
- Better upgradability potential
- Adjustable geometry to accommodate acceptance for different energies



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Status of work in progress

The mechanical design of the STS detector is close to its conclusion 1/8 module

2018

1 module on 1 ladder

- Concept is well developed
- Key features are established
- Module design frozen
 - new pre-serial production with last FFB iteration
 - gluing/powering to be checked

1/16 module r/o

COSY beam tests

- Ladder assembling procedure tried out and established
- Ladder integration questions to be addressed:



11 modules on 5 ladders

- attachment of the data cables/power cables, installation sequence...
- Simulations + prototypes to validate critical issues of design and assembling