

# MONOPIX -RADIATION HARD MONOLITHIC CMOS PIXEL DETECTORS

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#### OUTLINE

- □ Setting the stage
- □ The Monopix developments at UBonn (in coll. w/ CERN, CPPM, IRFU)
- Results on LF-Monopix1 and TJ-Monopix1
- □ The Monopix2's
- □ (Impressions on Bonn's new FTD)





# **TRACKER UPGRADES @ HL-LHC**







2024/25++: Phase 2 ATLAS/CMS
 completely replace their trackers
 to face the very fierce environment

– <u>ATLAS:</u>

- ~ 165 m<sup>2</sup> silicon strips
  - ~ 12 m<sup>2</sup> silicon pixels (currently 2m<sup>2</sup>)

– <u>CMS:</u>

- ~ 220 m<sup>2</sup> silicon strips
- ~ 5-6 m<sup>2</sup> silicon pixels (currently 2m<sup>2</sup>)

# FIERCE ENVIRONMENT AT THE HL-LHC (PP)









No need for fine pitch bump bonding between sensor and readout circuitry.

- → Easier to produce and easier to test (one detector entity)
- $\rightarrow$  Large cost reduction: sensor + R/O chip + BB  $\rightarrow$  one chip
- → Plus all the advantages that large CMOS Fabs may offer, including fast turn around, large wafer sizes, large throughput

## **CMOS PIXEL DETECTORS**

#### **ARE THE FUTURE !**

- for particle physics
- for high energy pp









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for pCT	RHIC	ALICE-LHC	ILC /	HL-	LHC
for imaging appl.	STAR		CLIC	Outer	Inner
other	coming	next: Belle II up			
Req. time resolution [ns]	110	20 000	350 / 156	25	25
Particle Rate [MHz / cm <sup>2</sup> ]	0.4	< 10	< 3	100-200	2000
Fluence [n <sub>eq</sub> / cm²]	> 10 <sup>12</sup>	> 10 <sup>13</sup>	< 10 <sup>12</sup>	10 <sup>15</sup>	2 x 10 <sup>16</sup>
lon. Dose [MRad]	0.2	< 3	< 1	80	> 1000
	MAPS (e.g. ALPIDE)		Hybrid pixels -> DMAPS rejected		

HL-LHC devm't: radhard (TID & NIEL) + fast response time + fast readout => Q coll. by drift & full R/O arch.

#### WHAT IS NEEDED TO REALISE (RADHARD) DEPLETED CMOS PIXELS?





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# LARGE VERSUS SMALL COLLECTION ELECTRODE (FILL FACTOR)



Electronics inside charge collection well

- large collection electrode
   => little low field regions
   => on average short(er) drift paths
   => less trapping -> radiation hard
- Larger sensor capacitance (pw & dnw!)
   => noise & speed/power penalty
   => possible x-talk (digital to sensor)



Electronics outside charge collection well

- small electrode
  - => very small sensor capacitance (< 5fF)
  - => lower analog power budget (noise, speed)

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- => less prone to x-talk
- on average long(er) drift distances and potentially low field regions

   radiation hardness needs process mods

## E.G. PROCESS MODIFICATION – TOWERJAZZ 180 NM CMOS





Standard process

- ALICE ITS type
- High res. p-type epi. (> 1 kΩ·cm)
   => thickness typ. 25 μm
- Quadruple-well
  - => deep pwell shields nwell => full CMOS
- Reverse bias typ. -6V
  - => enhanced (but not yet full) depletion
  - => some charge collected by diffusion only => slow



#### Modified process

- Additional planar medium dose N implant
   => depletion from two junction boundaries full volume can be depleted
   better charge collection in lateral direction
- Maintain small capacitance
- No significant circuit/layout changes

#### W. Snoeys et al. DOI: 10.1016/j.nima.2017.07.046

#### FOUNDRIES CONSIDERED & CHARACTERISED AT UBONN





#### LARGE WORLDWIDE INTEREST IN DEPLETED CMOS PIXELS





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# THE TWO DEVELOPMENT LINES







Different electrode (large/small) approaches lead to different

# DMAPS ANALOG FRONT END CHOICES

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#### ANALOG FRONT-ENDS - CSA VS. VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER



(a) Large fill-factor



#### **Charge Sensitive Amplifier**

- Choice for large electrode design
- Gain (ideally) independent of  $C_D$ => G ~ 1/C<sub>f</sub> (typ. C<sub>f</sub> ~ 5 fF)
- $\tau_{CSA} \propto \frac{C_D}{g_m \cdot C_f}$ ,  $ENC^2_{therm} \propto \frac{kT}{g_m} \frac{C_D^2}{\tau}$ => requires larger  $g_m$  (power) for large  $C_D$ => typ. power 30 – 40  $\mu$ W per pixel
- threshold trimming is advised and a standard in typical implementations

### ANALOG FRONT-ENDS - CSA VS. VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER





## Voltage amplifier (ALPIDE like)

- => Profit from small sensor capacitance
   => large voltage signal Q/C<sub>D</sub> @ input node
- Very compact design
  - => amplification + shaping in one stage
  - => simple inverter as discriminator

=> no threshold trimming used (see later)

- Optimized power for required timing
  - => ~1 µW/pixel for 25 ns peaking time

$$\frac{S}{N} \approx \frac{Q/C_D}{\sqrt{g_m}} \sim \frac{Q/C_D}{\sqrt[m]{P}}, \quad P \sim \left(\frac{Q}{C_D}\right)^{-m}$$



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# DMAPS READOUT ARCHITECTURE CHOICES

wanted

- Small pixels
- High logic (memory) density

- Fast shaping
- High data transmission bandwidth

# WE CHOSE A "COLUMN DRAIN" ARCHITECTURE









- Well established scheme in ATLAS FE-I3 like (current pixel detector)
- Demonstrated rate capability for the addressed goal (ITk outer pixel layers)
- Affordable in-pixel logic (storage & digital R/O)
- Challenges: preventing digital cross talk, pixel size, C<sub>D</sub> (for large electrode design)

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# ALTERNATIVE: ASYNCHRONOUS READOUT SCHEMES



#### DMAPS with asynchronous matrix => time stamping at periphery

=> Hits transferred to periphery immediately => calls for massive parallelism



Shared bus by pixel groups



- Two high speed buses w/ short pulses (~1ns)
- Complicated balancing for multibit data to arrive simultaneously at bottom
- GHz synchronization needed
- Challenge: avoid data collisions

### THE "MONOPIX1" CHIPS

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- Two large scale DMAPS chips were developed targeting data rates and radiation levels expected at ATLAS ITk outer layers
  - Following both, large and small electrode sensor designs employing two CMOS technologies
  - and using the "column drain" architecture for the R/O matrix
    - Simplified "downstream" data processing, e.g. no data buffering & triggering, no Gbps-link





# RESULTS ON LFOUNDRY 150 NM DESIGNS

#### CCPD\_LF

#### LF-CPIX

- Pixel size: 33  $\mu$ m imes 125  $\mu$ m
- Chip size: 5 mm  $\times$  5 mm
- Fast R/O with FE-I4
- Thickness: 750/300/100 μm
- Design by Bonn/CPPM/KIT



- Pixel size: 50  $\mu$ m imes 250  $\mu$ m
- Chip size: 10 mm × 10 mm
- Fast R/O with FE-I4
- Thickness: 750/200/100  $\mu m$
- Design by Bonn/CPPM/IRFU

#### LF\_Monopix1



- Pixel size: 50 μm × 250 μm
- Chip size: 10 mm  $\times$  10 mm
- Integrated column drain R/O
- Thickness: 750/200/100 μm
- Design by Bonn/CPPM/IRFU



# LFOUNDRY 150 NM LARGE ELECTRODE (55% FF)



#### LFA150:

- LFoundry 150 nm process (deep N-well/P-well)
- Quadrupel well
- 7 metal layers
- Resistivity > 2 kΩ·cm
- Backside processing
- Voltages > **350 V**

## **LF-MONOPIX1: PIXEL LAYOUT**





Careful layout / precautions required to

prevent cross talk from circuit layer to sensing electrode through psub/dnw capacitance

- 1. Separated analog/digital power domains
- 2. Digital "bulk" (in a separate pwell) is separated from digital ground
- 3. Full custom in-pixel digital design, optimising transient signal switching

## SENSOR IRRADIATION PERFORMANCE

Good radiation hardness of large electrode sensor proven in various prototypes

LFoundry 150 nm CMOS P-substrate > 2 k $\Omega$ ·cm Bias 100 - 400 V 7 metal layers

T. Hirono et al., DOI: 10.1016/j.nima.2016.01.088 P. Rymaszewski et al., DOI: 10.1088/1748-0221/11/02/C02045





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#### PASSIVE CMOS SENSORS

#### LFoundry 150 nm + FE-I4



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### IRRADIATED ACTIVE SENSORS OF LF\_MONOPIX1



- Guard ring structure essential for high breakdown voltage (up to 300 V)
- Full depletion voltage @ 100  $\mu$ m: unirr. V<sub>dep</sub> = 7 V, irradiated V<sub>dep</sub> = 130 V

#### **TID PERFORMANCE**

- LF-CPIX X-ray irradiated to 100 Mrad
  - Irradiated and measured at room temperature
  - Tunable thresholds with almost unchanged dispersion
  - Gain degradation <5%</li>
  - Noise increase ~25%

(probably largely due to ileak increase after irrad.)





#### Normalized gain and ENC (LF-Monopix1)

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#### LF-MONOPIX1: IN-PIXEL DIGITAL LOGIC





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time (us)

## **LF-MONOPIX1: EFFICIENCY**



High and uniform efficiency even after irradiation



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TIMING?





>80% in-time efficient after 1 x 10<sup>15</sup>n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>.

<u>Remarkable</u> for  $C_D \sim 400$  fF and promising for new design with smaller  $C_D$ 

There is still plenty of room for improvement by tuning for lower thresholds and faster response optimise CSA tune, discriminator settings, etc., ... higher bias voltage, backside bias



# RESULTS ON TOWER JAZZ 180 NM DESIGNS



#### TowerJazz 180 nm CMOS CIS

- Deep pwell allows full CMOS in pixel
- 6 metal layers
- High res. epi-layer: 1–8 kΩ·cm
  - => epi thickness: **18 40 μm**
- Modified process to improve lateral depletion

Derived from ALICE development (led by CERN)

#### TJ – MALTA AND TJ - MONOPIX



TJMonoPix

#### **Small electrode designs**



- Sensor design is identical
- Front ends similar (different biasing schemes)
- R/O architectures very different

"MALTA" Full ATLAS size

#### **TJ-MONOPIX1: PIXEL LAYOUT**







- Pixel size  $36 \times 40 \ \mu m^2$
- 2 μm collection diode + 3 μm spacing
- Separated digital & analog region, several
- Full-custom digital design
  - 6 bit ToA & ToT
  - Minimized area for small pixel size

Four equal sectors with different pixel/periphery designs (4 × 224 × 112 pixels

#### 112 columns



#### TJ-MONOPIX1 MEASUREMENTS (LAB & TESTBEAM)



- Good noise performance 10 15 e<sup>-</sup>
   -> Increased by ~10 e<sup>-</sup> after 10<sup>15</sup> n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Thres. dispersion 30 40 e<sup>-</sup>

-> 50 - 65 e<sup>-</sup> after 10<sup>15</sup> n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>



#### Better noise & threshold tuning needed !



I. Caicedo et. al, DOI: 10.1088/1748-0221/14/06/C06006

# CHARGE COLLECTION WITH SMALL ELECTRODES

- Epi thickness 20-30 μm
- Field strength and shape under DPW in pixel corners is critical
  - Full depletion under the DPW
  - > and operating at low threshold is essential

pitch

> Transverse field components in corners essential for radiation hardness

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Irradiated 10<sup>15</sup>n/cm<sup>2</sup> @ 350e- threshold 2x2 pixel at 36 µm pitch





## **OPTIMATIONS FOR RADIATION HARDNESS**







n-irradiated (IJS) to 2x10<sup>15</sup> n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup> followed by DESY beam test Full-size MALTA sensor with original front-end design on HR pCz (i.e. only measure no. 3)



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# FROM MONOPIX1 TO MONOPIX2

#### **GOALS LF-MONOPIX2**



- > Smaller cell size ->  $50 \times 150 \,\mu\text{m}^2$
- Reduce detector capacitance from 400 fF -> 250 300 fF
- Optimise digital design for minimum dig./ana. coupling
- New amplifier design (faster timing)
- Keep conservative and safe design (e.g. wide power metals, guard rings) to ensure high breakdown tolerance





• 50 × 150 μm<sup>2</sup>

# LFOUNDRY MONOPIX2 (LARGE ELECTRODE DESIGN)



				9.5 mm
	LF-Monopix1	LF-Monopix2	1 t	Pads (power)
Pixel size	50 × 250 μm²	50 × 150 μm²		Power metal distribution
Cd	~ 400 <u>fF</u>	250 – 300 fF		
Analog power/pixel (CSA + Discri.)	15 µA + 5 µA = 20 µA	10 μA + 2 μA = 12 μA		
Noise	~150 e <sup>-</sup> - 200 e <sup>-</sup>	<mark>100 ~150 e<sup>-</sup></mark>		
LE/TE time stamp	8-bit	6-bit	Ę	Matrix (340 × 56
<u>ToT</u> @ 6 <u>ke</u> -		200 – 250 ns	.8 n	
Max. <u>ToT</u>		400 ns	10	
(rms) thres. dispersion	(~ 100 e <sup>-</sup> )	(80 e <sup>-</sup> )		
Min. threshold	1500 e <sup>-</sup>	1000 e <sup>-</sup>		EoC circuit
In-time threshold	~ 2000 e <sup>-</sup>	1500 e⁻		Digital periphery (slow con logic, etc.)

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- 340 × 56 pixels
- 50 × 150 μm<sup>2</sup>

#### Large 2x2 cm2 sensor featuring

- Larger signal
  - high resistivity pCz material ?
- More efficient charge collection
  - modified sensor geometry (n-gap, extra dpw)
  - optimum (smaller) cell size for given electronics
- Lower noise and threshold operation
  - improved front end gain increase RTS noise reduced less threshold dispersion threshold trimming



- 512 × 512 pixels
- $33.04 \times 33.04 \ \mu m^2$

#### **TOWERJAZZ MONOPIX2 (SMALL ELECTRODE DESIGN)**





	TJ-Monopix1	TJ-Monopix2		
Chip Size	1x2 cm <sup>2</sup> (224x448 pix)	2x2 cm <sup>2</sup> (512x512 pix)		
Pixel size	$36  imes 40 \ \mu m^2$	$33.04 \times 33.04 \ \mu m^2$		
Noise	≅ <b>11 e</b> ⁻	< 10e <sup>-</sup> (improved FE)		
LE/TE time stamp	6-bit	7-bit		
Threshold Dispersion	≅ 30 e⁻rms	< 20 e <sup>-</sup> rms (improved FE + tuning)		
Minimum threshold	≅ 300 e <sup>-</sup>	<150 e <sup>-</sup>		
In-time threshold	≅ 400e <sup>-</sup>	250 - 300 e <sup>-</sup>		
Efficiency	$\cong$ 70 % (irradiated)	> 95% (irradiated)		

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# CONCLUSIONS

- Development of DMAPS with full R/O needs time (and care)
- MONOPIX developments with large and small electrode can be considered as viable options for HL-LHC trackers
- Col-drain architecture meets Layer 4 rates with a (x10) margin

#### Large electrode

- high beak down voltage
- large signal
- high efficiency after  $10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$
- Small electrode
  - low capacitance, low noise
  - low power, large Q/C
  - ways towards radiation hardness identified
- Stay tuned for large MONOPIX2 chips





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# FTD = RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY CENTER FOR DETECTOR PHYSICS

- hosts 10 Groups from 2 institutes from
  - High Energy & Hadron Physics
    - LHC: ALICE, ATLAS, LHCb
    - Belle II, COMPASS, Crystal Barrel, BGO-OD, ILC, PANDA
    - RD42, RD50, RD53
  - Photonics
- 2 local accelerators
  - electron stretcher ring ELSA (3.5 GeV e-) cyclotron 15 MeV p (and ions)







#### **FTD BUILDING**



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#### **TARGET TECHNOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS**



#### clean room and lab area



#### EQUIPMENT



#### Existing equipment (standard for microlabs)

wire bonders (4)
wafer probers (2 x 8", 1 x 12")
laser test systems
rad. source test benches
microscopes
electronics meas. equipment (scopes, logic
analysers, function & pattern generators,
network analyser, etc.)

... has been updated within FTD acquisition

#### Newly acquired (big) equipment for FTD

A) New for micro electronics and detectors

B) Micro structuring (to try things out ... simple structures at first)









# **NEW EQUIPMENT: MICRO ELECTRONICS AND DETECTORS**





# NEW EQUIPMENT: MICRO ELECTRONICS AND DETECTORS



# cyclotron



# 15 MeV p irradiation $10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$ in about 2 hrs



#### X-ray cabin for TID irradiation 100 kV, 2 Mrad / h



irradiation and measurements



#### 3D measuring machine

laser-based tracker contact-less

1 μm resolution

## **MICRO STRUCTURING / POSTPROCESSING**







#### IMPRESSIONS

