

The MIMOSIS pixel sensor

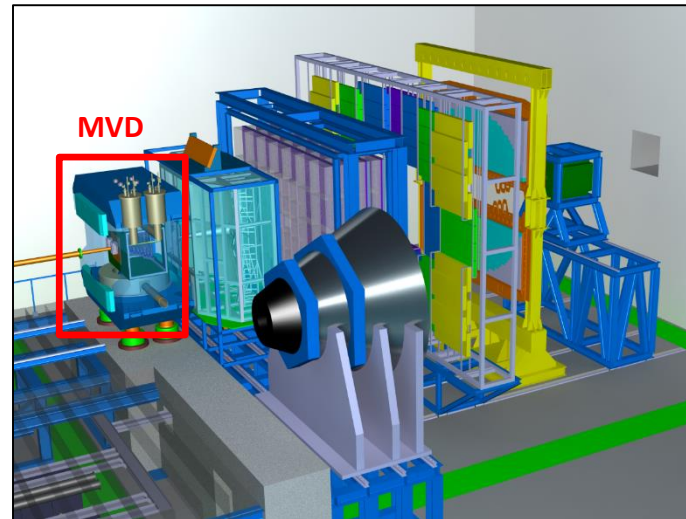
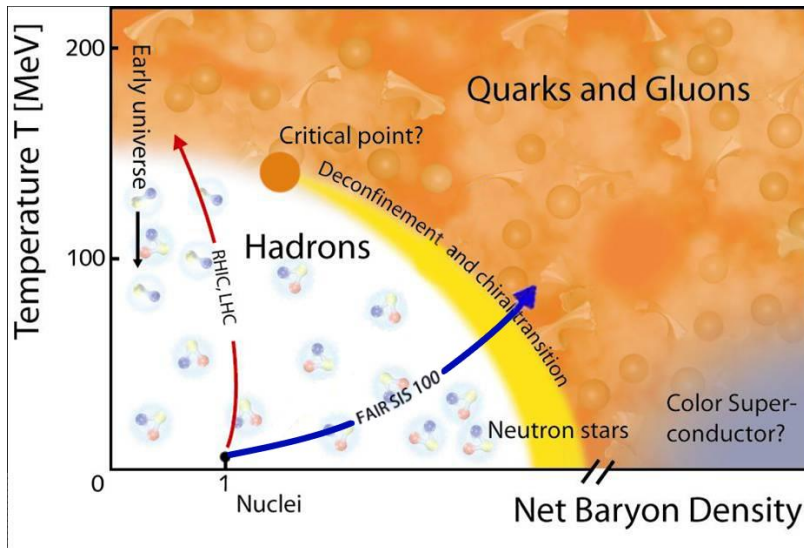
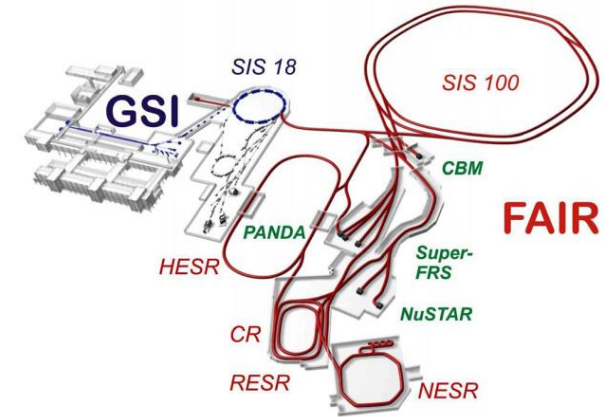
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The Compressed Baryonic Matter experiment @ FAIR

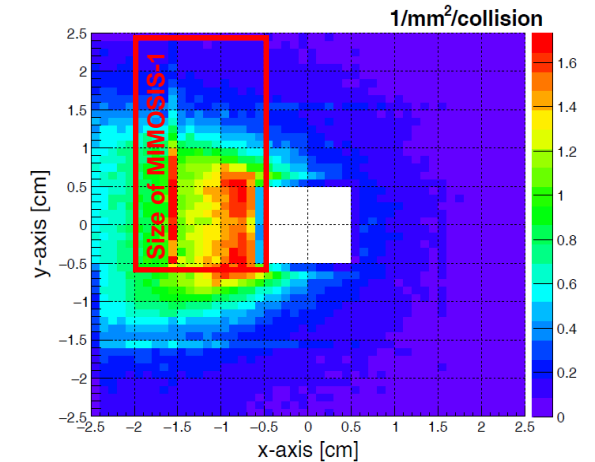
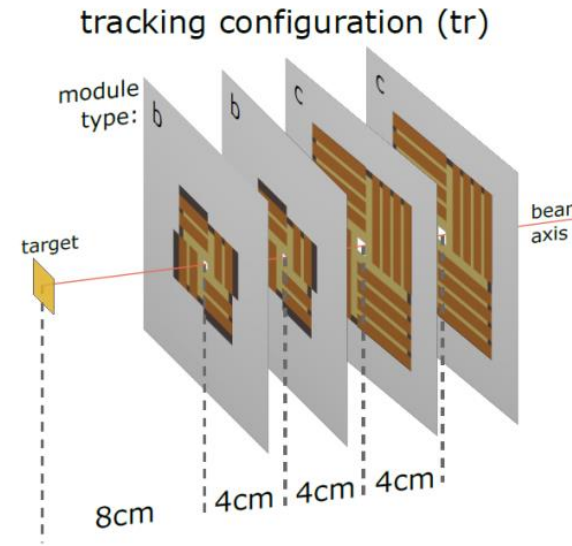
- Explore phase diagram at region of highest net-baryon density
- Fix target
- Beam start is scheduled for end 2024



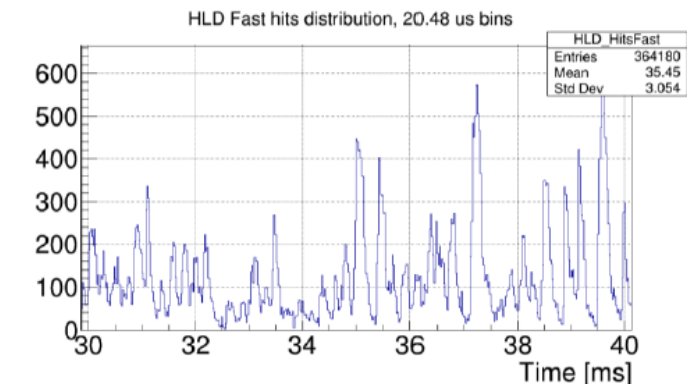
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Micro Vertex Detector

- Aim for high collision rate capability
 - ↗ 100 kHz Au+Au @ 11 AGeV
 - ↗ 10 GHz p+Au @ 30 AGeV
- Aim to contribute to tracking
 - ↗ 4 planar detector stations
- Aim for good sec. vertex resolution
 - ↗ Operate in target vacuum
 - ↗ First station 5 cm from target (in vertexing configuration)
 - ↗ $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$ resolution
 - ↗ Thin stations
 - $\sim 0.3 \% X_0$ (first station)
 - $\sim 0.5 \% X_0$ (other stations)
- Sensor must handle occupancy gradients in space
- Sensor must handle beam fluctuations in time



kHz modulation ON



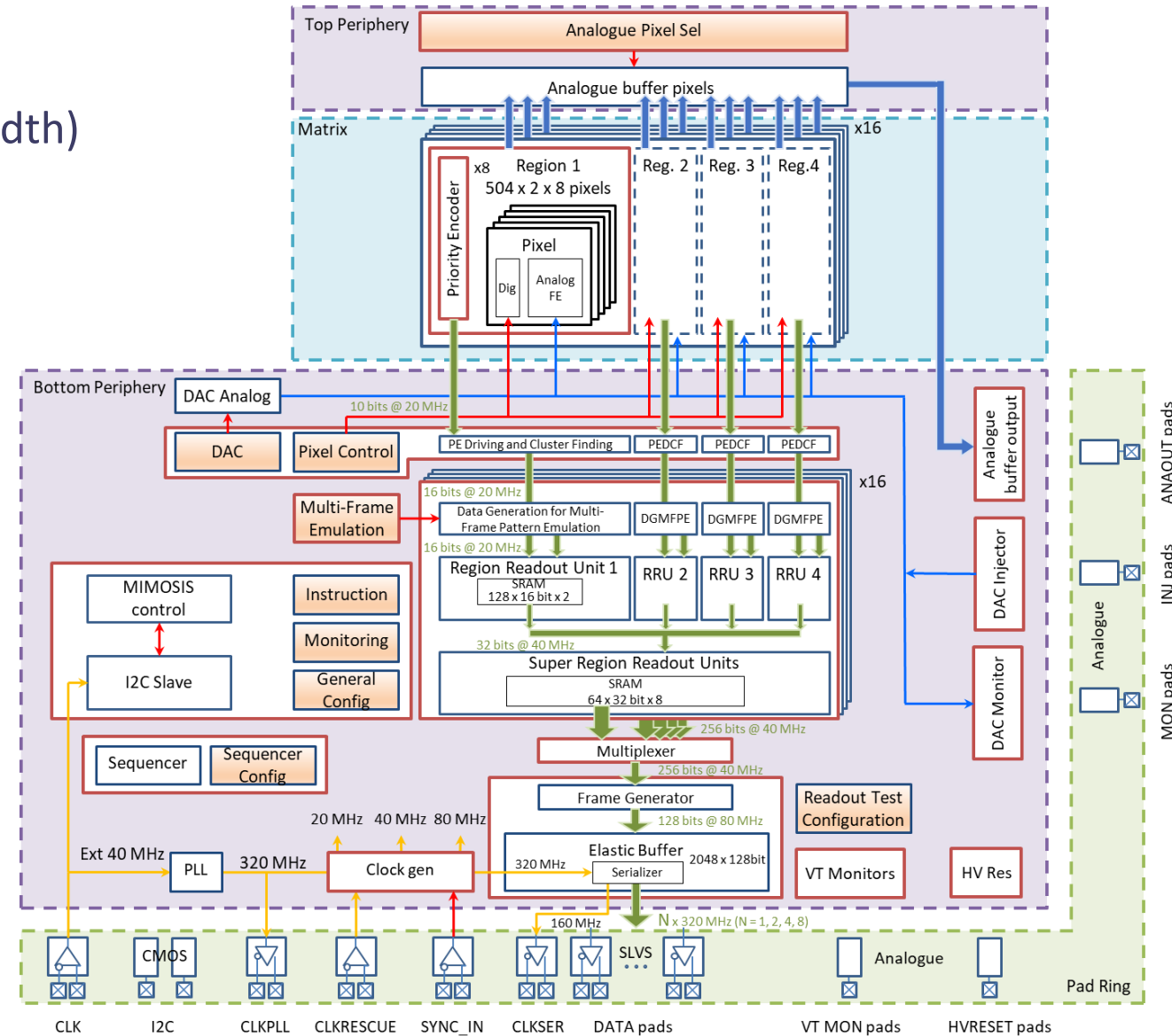
MIMOSIS Requirements

	Requirement
Spatial resolution	~5 μm
Time resolution Triggerless without dead-time	~5 μs
Sensor thickness	~50 μm
Radiation length	~ 0.3 % X_0 (first station) ~ 0.5 % X_0 (other stations)
Power dissipation	<100 - 200 mW/cm ²
Operation temperature	- 40°C to +30°C
Temperature gradient on sensor	5 K
Radiation* (non-ionizing)	~ 7×10^{13} n _{eq} /cm ²
Radiation* (ionizing)	~ 5 Mrad
Radiation gradient on chip	100%
Heavy Ions-tolerance	10 Hz/mm ²
Rate (average/50 μs peak)	200/800 kHz/mm ²

* No safety factor

MIMOSIS diagram

- Matrix dimension: 1024 col. X 504 row
- Pixel dimension: 26.88 μm (height) x 30.24 μm (width)
- Integration time: 5 μs
- Tower Semiconductor 180 nm
- 4 sub-arrays for threshold adjustment
- 3 steps prototyping:
 - ↪ MIMOSIS0 small scale prototype (2017)
 - ↪ MIMOSIS1 first full scale prototype (2020)
 - ↪ MIMOSIS2 final prototype (2021)
 - ↪ MIMOSIS3 pre-production run (>2022)



Charge collection

■ Tower Semiconductor 180 nm

- ↪ 4 process variants and various epi layer thickness
- ↪ Optimize charge collection
 - efficiency after irradiation
- ↪ Based on the experience accumulated with ALPIDE and MALTA/MONOPIX

■ Goals:

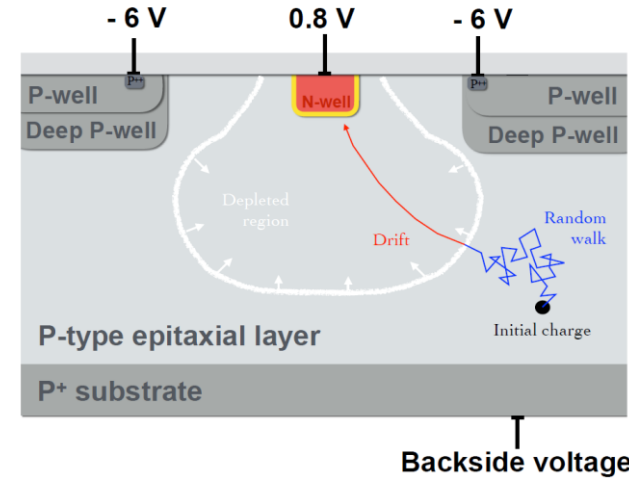
- ↪ Increase depletion region with a small collection diode
- ↪ Avoid charge traps due to low lateral electric field on the edges

■ Additional degree of freedom for MIMOSIS:

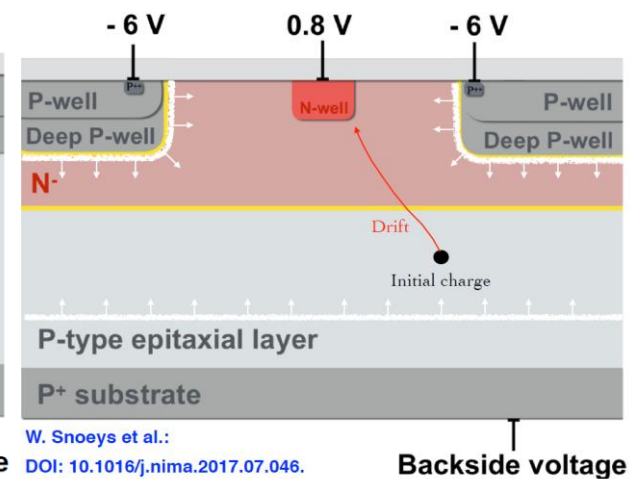
- ↪ AC coupled pixels to increase collection diode voltage

Study of the depletion depth in a frontside biased CMOS pixel sensors
J. Heymes <https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/14/01/P01018>

Standard process:

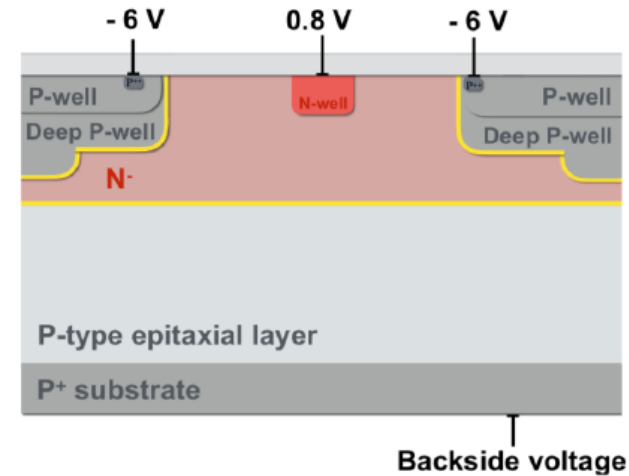


Modified process with additional deep n-layer:

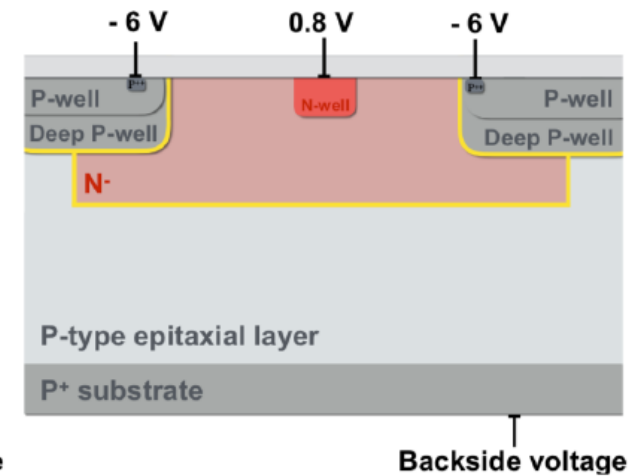


W. Snoeys et al.:
DOI: 10.1016/j.nima.2017.07.046.

Additional p-implant:



Gap in deep n-implant:



Monolithic CMOS sensors with a small collection electrode
Seminar by M. Munker at Royal Holloway University of London (2019)

Pixel

■ 2 versions of sensing part evaluated:

- ↗ DC or AC coupled
 - Polarization of the collecting diode to ~10-20 V in AC
 - Variants are in MIMOSIS0 and MIMOSIS1 prototype

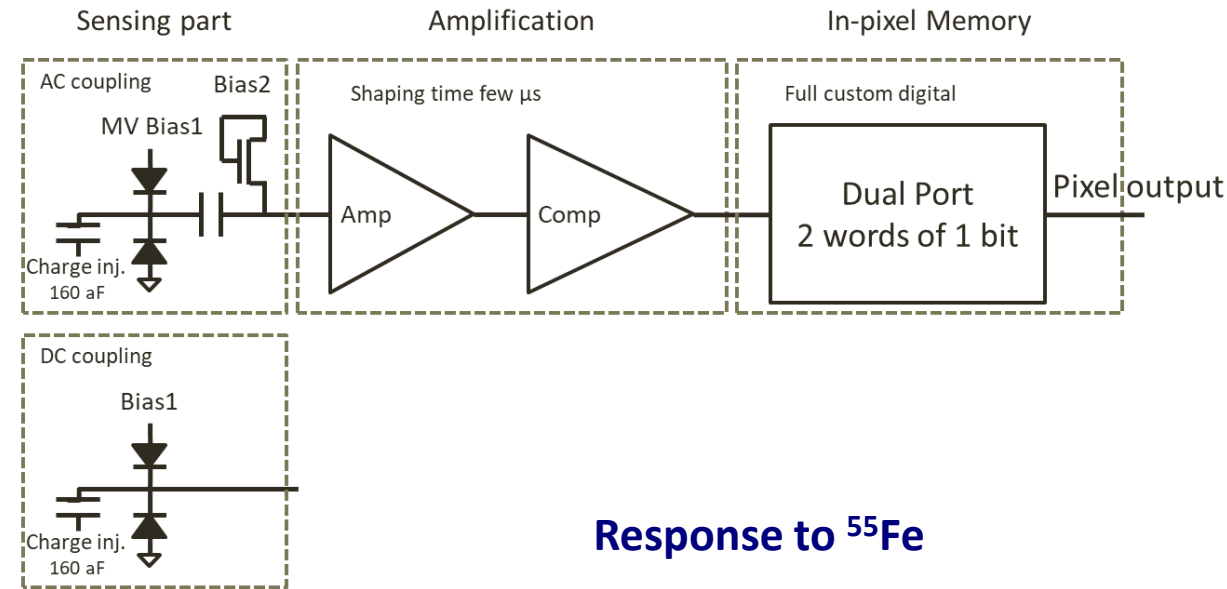
■ Amplification:

- ↗ Similar to ALPIDE
- ↗ Non linear and with clipping technique

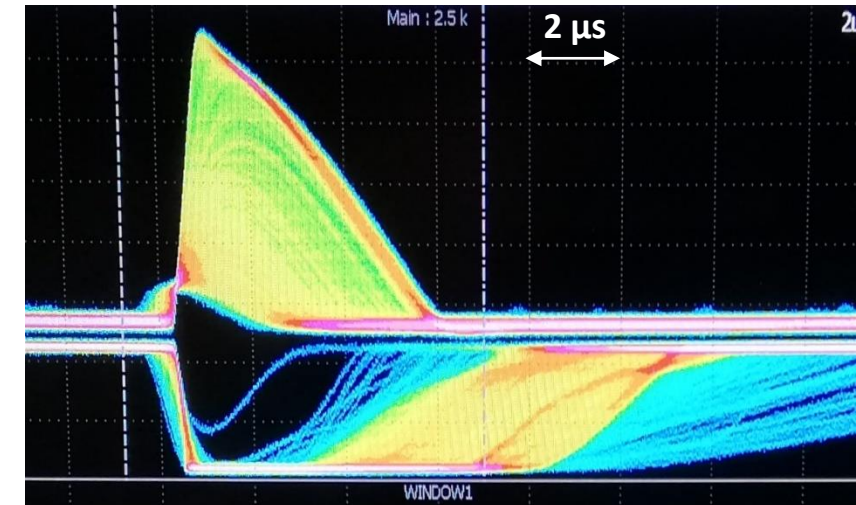
■ In-pixel Memory:

- ↗ Dual ports for triggerless framing (5 μ s)
 - One to write the hit (current frame)
 - One to read the hit (previous frame)
- ↗ Avoid multiple counting
 - For impact which spread over several capture windows
- ↗ High density full custom block

■ Amplifier and sensing part tested in MIMOSIS0



Response to ^{55}Fe



M. Deveaux NIM A 958 (2020) 162653

Matrix readout

■ Priority Encoders Functions:

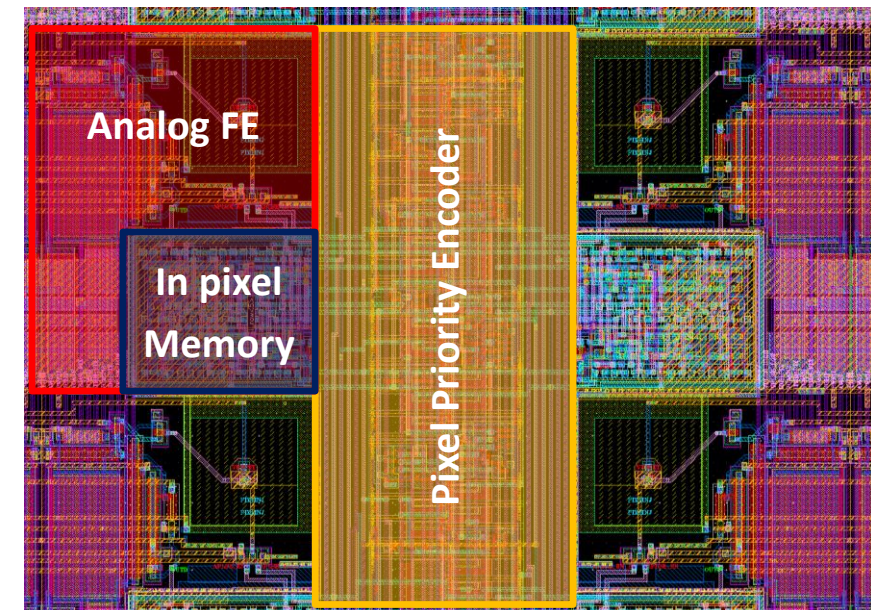
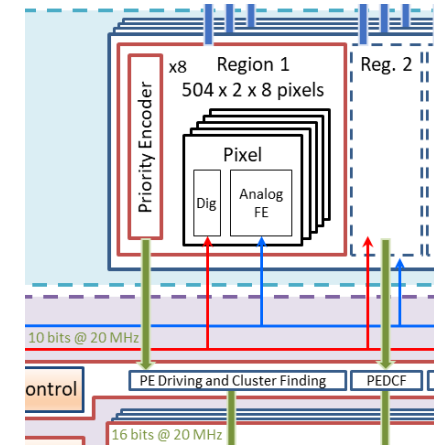
- ✎ Give the address of the hit pixel with the highest priority
- ✎ Aim the pixel reset signal to the selected pixel

■ 2 levels of priority encoders to read a Region:

- ✎ Pixel level
 - inside the pixel array to read 2 columns of 504 pixels
- ✎ Region level
 - at the bottom of the pixel array to read 8 Pixel level Priority encoders

■ Characteristics:

- ✎ Reading is done at 20 MHz (100 pixels/frame/region)
 - $\sim 3 \text{ MHz/mm}^2 \rightarrow 1 \text{ MHz/mm}^2$ (hit multiplicity of 3) $> 800 \text{ kHz/mm}^2$



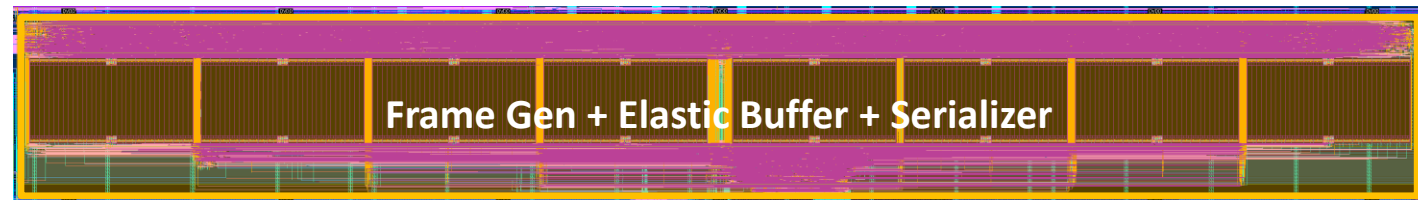
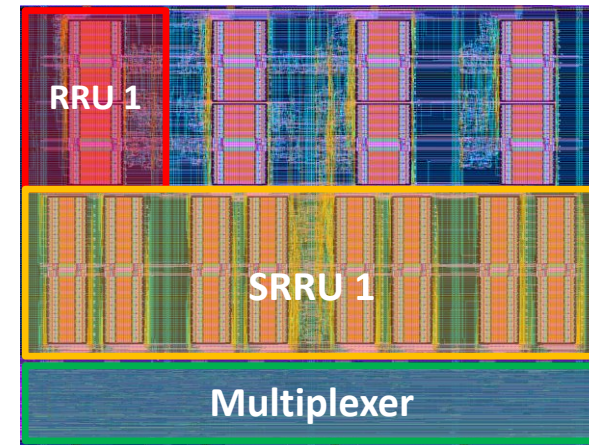
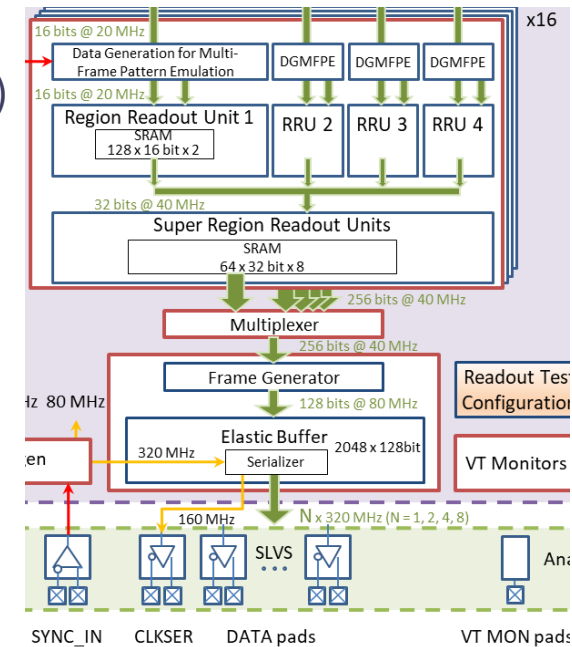
Bottom periphery readout

■ Function:

- ↗ Averaging the data fluctuations over the pixel array (gradient in space)
- ↗ Averaging the data fluctuations in time (beam fluctuations)
- ↗ Works like a funnel for the data
 - 20.48 Gb/s (16 bits x 64 regions @ 20 MHz spread over ~3 cm)
 - 2.56 Gb/s (8 serial links @ 320 Mb/s spread over ~3 mm)

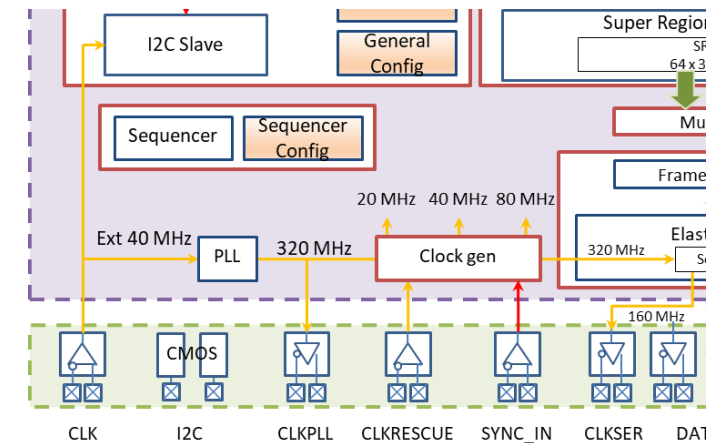
■ 3 levels of dual port memories

- ↗ 64 Regions and 16 Super-Region (for space averaging)
 - Write frame N in parallel @ low speed
 - Read frame N-1 in serial @ high speed
 - No data loss between matrix readout and Super-Region
- ↗ 1 elastic buffer (for time averaging)
 - Works like a circular buffer
 - Write speed 10.24 Gb/s > Read speed 2.56 Gb/s (for 8 links)
 - Configurable number of serial links (8,4,2 or 1)
 - Can store 3 x nominal beam during 50 μ s



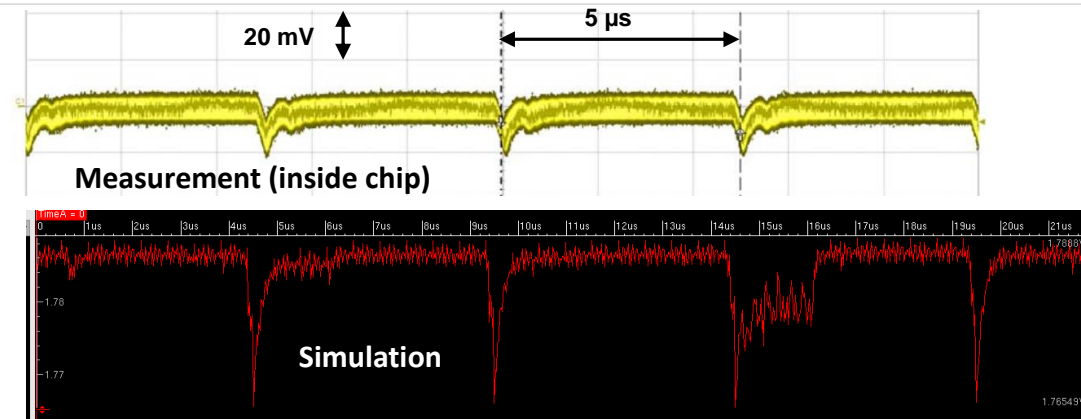
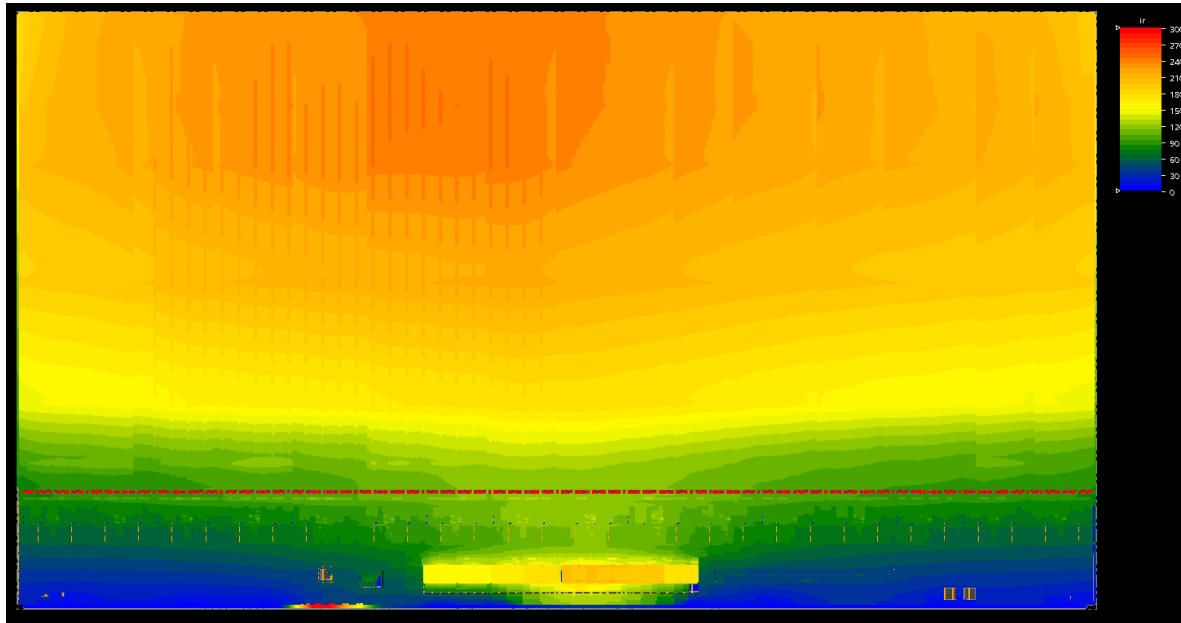
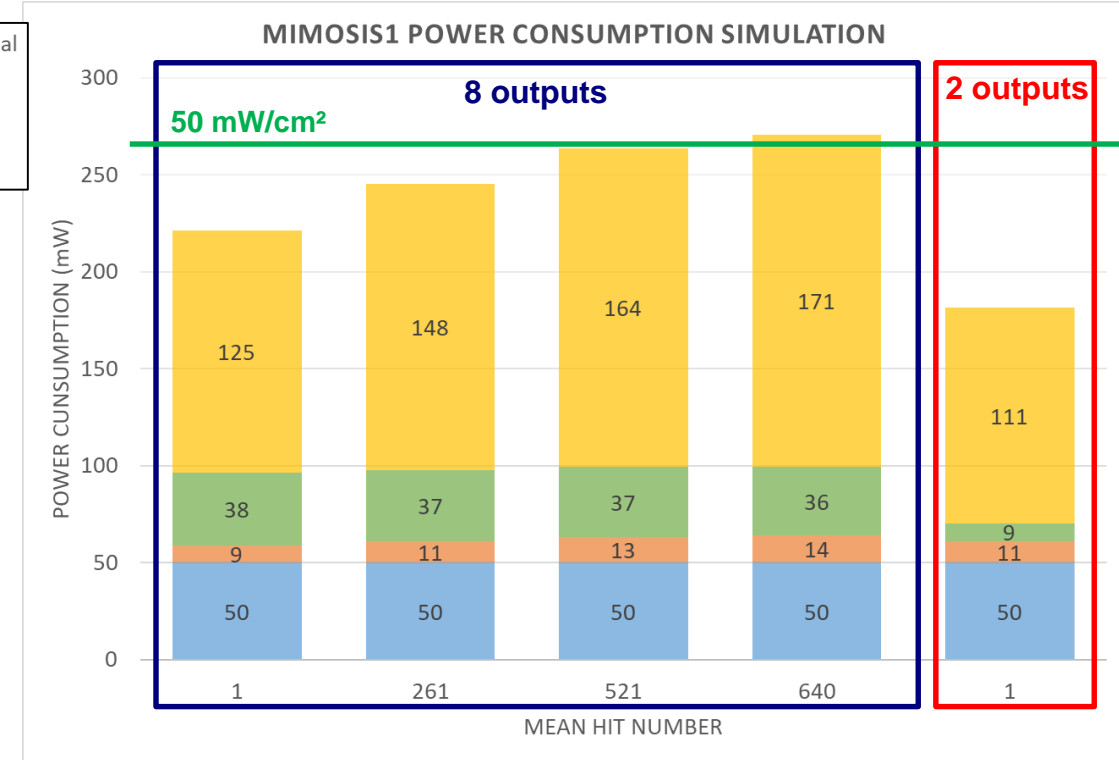
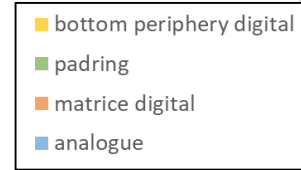
Multi-chips synchronization

- No trigger available
 - ✦ Need a mechanism to synchronize several chips for common base time
- All the clocks derive from the 320 MHz clock from the PLL
 - ✦ Synchronisation pad (SYNC_IN) acts like a reset for the clock generator
- Principle
 - ✦ Synchronisation signal is latched 2 times
 - With external 40 MHz clock
 - With 320 MHz clock from the PLL
 - ✦ Timing constraints for the synchronisation signal over several chips is relax to the 40 MHz clock



Power consumption

- Well below the requirements:
 - ↪ $\sim 50 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ (for whole chip surface)
 - ↪ To be confirmed by measurement
- Dominated by:
 - ↪ The number of hits for the bottom periphery
 - ↪ The number of outputs in the padding
- Voltage drop will be mitigate in next submission



Testability and SEE mitigation

■ Several levels of testability

↳ Pixel level

- Analogue and digital pulsing over the whole matrix
- Output of the amplifier and comparator of the first row is accessible

↳ Region level

- Generates data over several frames for each region

↳ Serializer level

- Serialize a 128 bits words over the 8 serializer

■ Single Event Effect mitigation*

↳ All FSM are triplicated

↳ All configuration registers use a self corrected hamming register

↳ Partial triplication of clock and reset trees

- Full trees in next submission

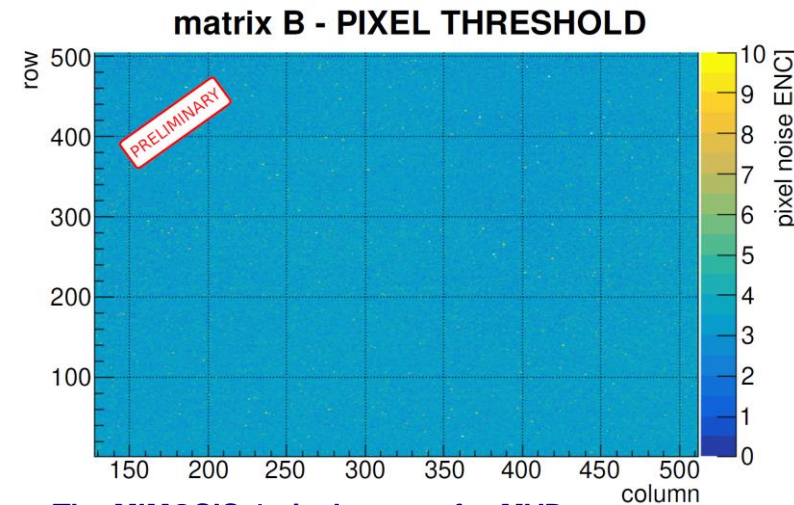
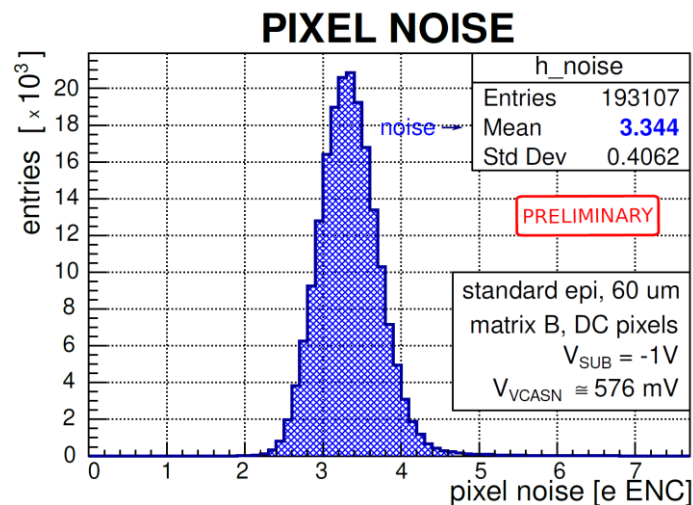
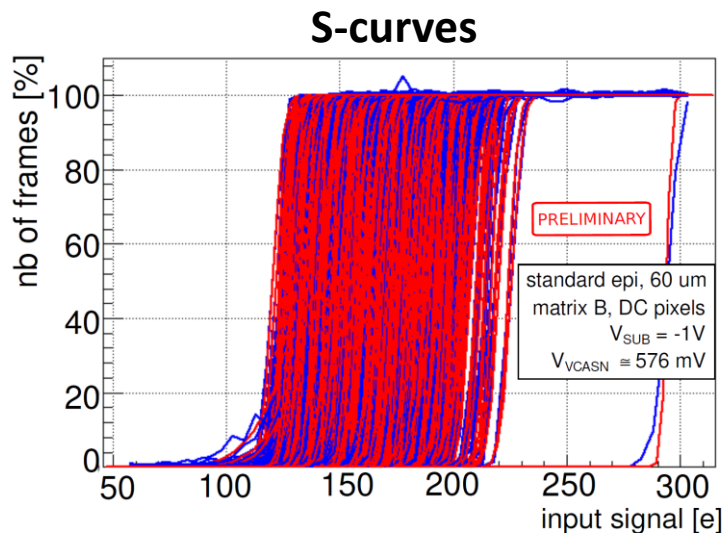
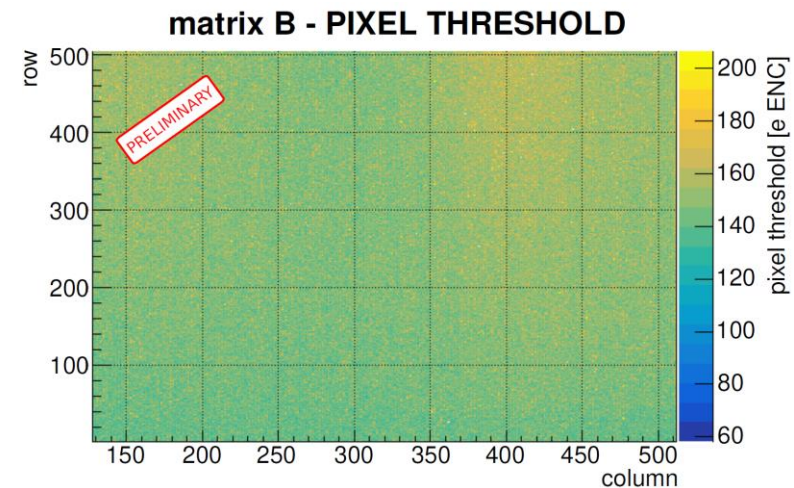
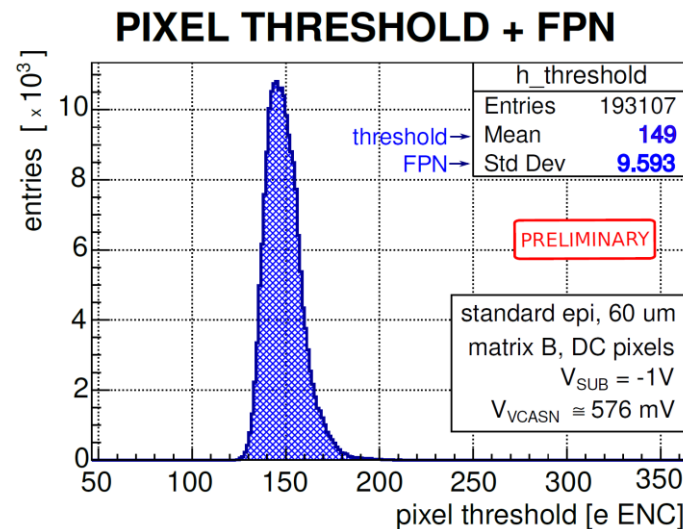
↳ Only a CRC check for data corruption

↳ Classic latchup protection

Preliminary Results DC pixel

■ Matrix B (DC pixels 24 regions)

- ✍ Vsub=-1 V
- ✍ Threshold scan obtain through charge injection
- ✍ Preliminary conversion factor (mV/e-)
 - 25 % of precision
- ✍ Exemplary Results:
 - Pixel noise: ~3.4 e- ENC
 - Threshold: ~150 e- ENC
 - FPN: ~10 e- ENC

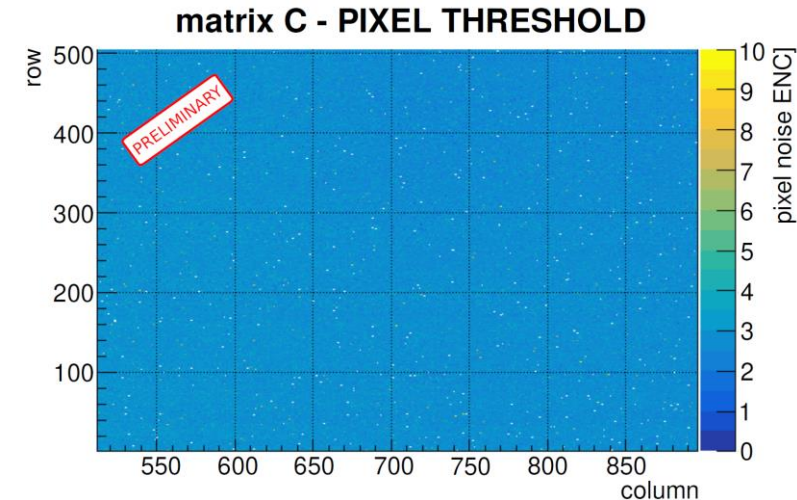
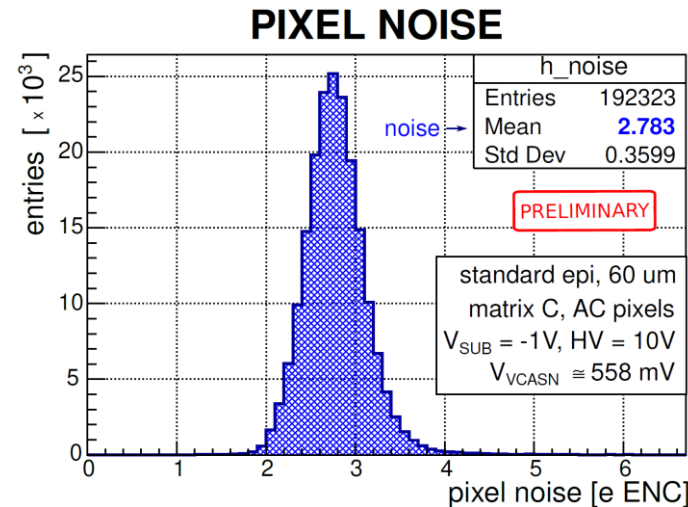
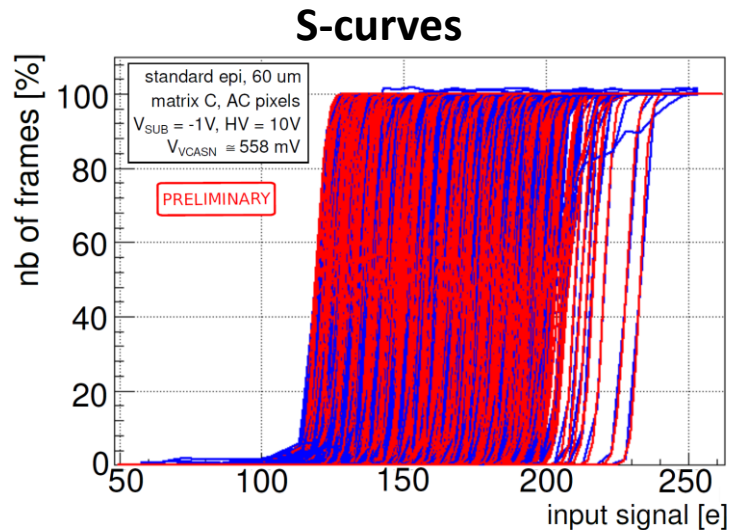
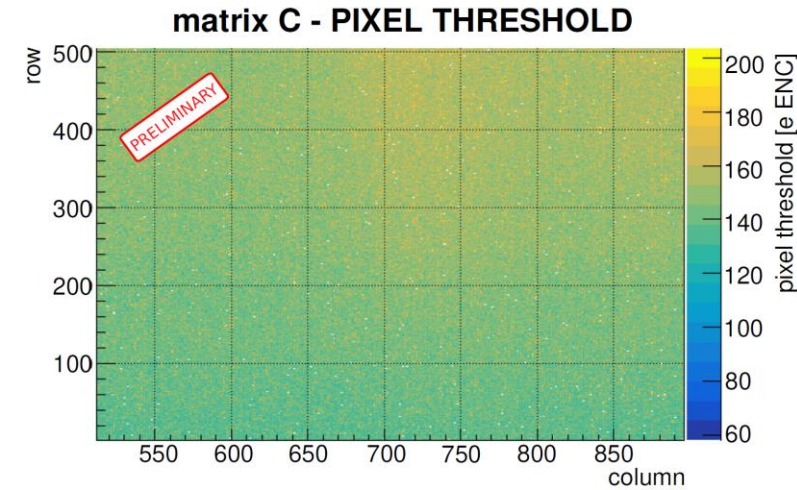
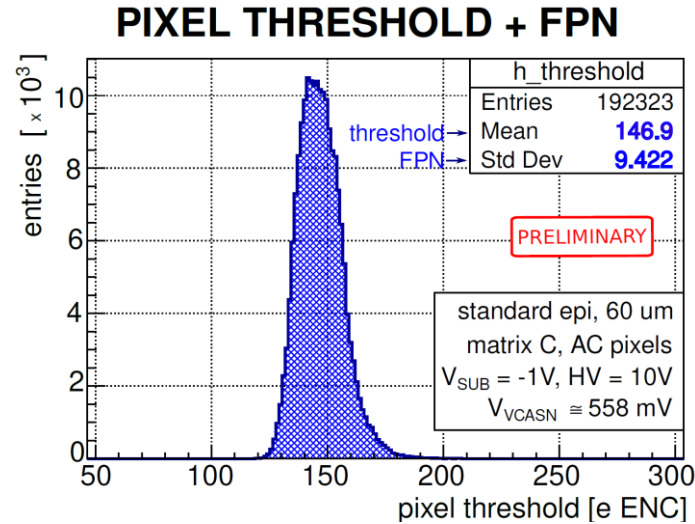


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Preliminary Results AC pixels

Matrix C (AC pixels 24 regions)

- ↗ $V_{\text{sub}} = -1 \text{ V}$, Diode pol. = 10 V
- ↗ Threshold scan obtain through charge injection
- ↗ Preliminary conversion factor (mV/e-)
 - 25 % of precision
- ↗ Exemplary Results:
 - Pixel noise: $\sim 2.8 \text{ e- ENC}$
 - Threshold: $\sim 150 \text{ e- ENC}$
 - FPN: $\sim 10 \text{ e- ENC}$



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Conclusion

- MIMOSIS1 is the first full scale prototype for the MVD
 - ↪ High peak rate to handle occupancy gradients and beam fluctuations
 - ↪ Triggerless without dead time
 - ↪ Ultra low power MAPS
 - ↪ Single Event Effect hardened for Heavy Ions (fix target)
 - ↪ Early results seem promising
- Next steps:
 - ↪ Pursue heavy testing program
 - Process flavours, pixels variants, irradiation
 - Lab tests, SEE/latchup tests
 - Beam tests planned in the coming months
 - Measurement of detection efficiency, spatial resolution, fake hit rate
 - Will help the pixel selection for MIMOSIS2
 - ↪ Submission of MIMOSIS2 after this summer
 - Add missing features, fix few bugs
 - Focus on promising pixels and processes



Thank You