

Irradiation studies for ATLAS ITk at the Bern Cyclotron

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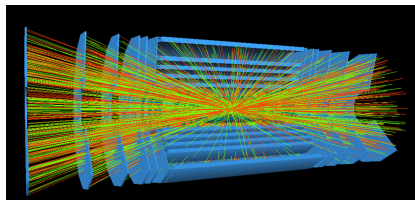
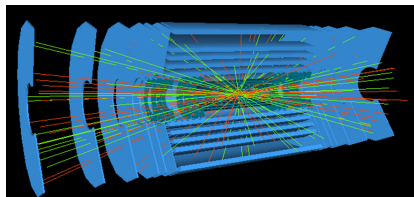
TIPP 2021 - Online Format

- ① High-Luminosity LHC and ATLAS ITk Upgrade
- ② Irradiation Facility in Bern
- ③ Recent Irradiation Campaigns:
 - Optosystem Connectors
 - Cable Shielding Material
 - Twinax Cable
- ④ Summary & Outlook

HL-LHC

High-Luminosity LHC: at least $10\times$ higher integrated luminosity (3000/fb)

- Study rare processes (e.g. Higgs to muons), search for new particles (SUSY, heavy W' and Z' bosons), and precision measurements



Higher luminosity will increase average number of interactions per beam crossing (pile-up) by factor 4-5!

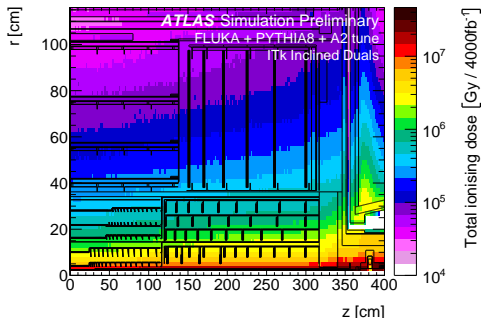
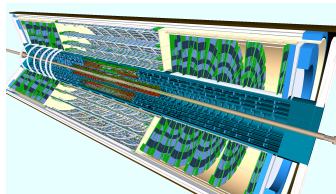
→ **Radiation level increases!**

The ATLAS Detector: HL-LHC Upgrade

One of the essential upgrades: the new **Inner Tracker (ITk)**

F. Munoz Sanchez's Talk , K. Krizka's Talk

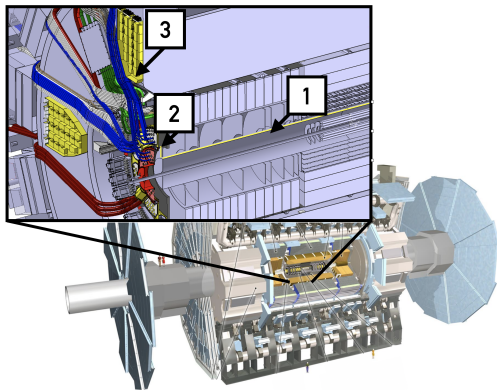
- All-silicon tracker, with finer **granularity** ($> 10^9$ channels)
- Improved **material budget**
- Capability for increased **data rate** (trigger rate: 1 MHz)
- **Has to withstand high radiation levels**



Expected radiation levels:

- TID = 10 MGy
- NIEL = 1.3×10^{16} 1 MeV n_{eq}/cm^2

The ATLAS Detector Upgrade: ITk Optosystem

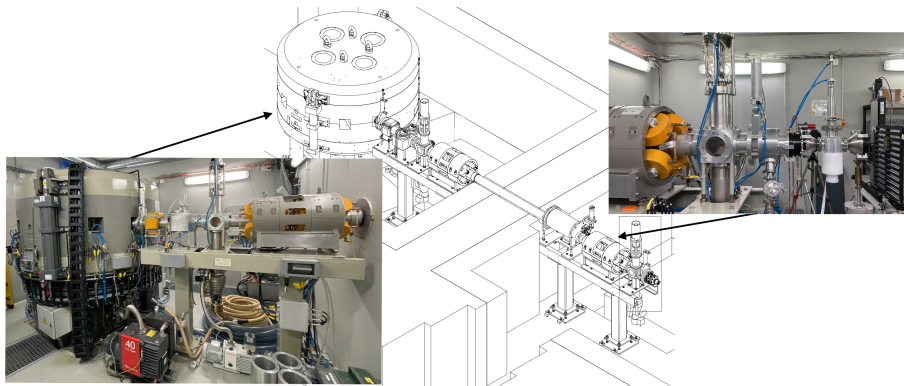


L. Franconi's Poster

- **Twinax cables (1)** transfer electrical signals from the ITk pixel modules
- They are shielded from electromagnetic interference by a **Z-shield (2)**
- The **Optosystem** located on **Optopanel (3)** converts the electrical signals into optical signals
- From here, data is brought to the surface (~ 100 m)

These components have to be tested for radiation effects,
failing Optosystem = no physics data to analyse!

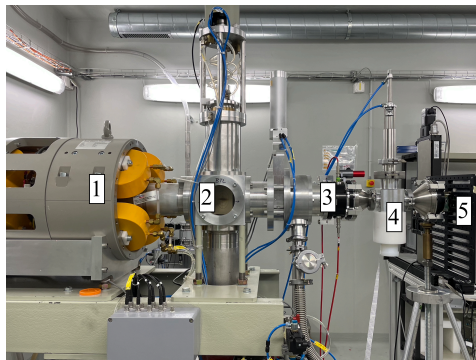
The Irradiation Facility: The Bern Medical Cyclotron



- Bern Medical Cyclotron (18 MeV protons) for F^{18} -isotope production
- Unique infrastructure with Beam Transfer Line (BTL), allowing multi-disciplinary research applications in a separate bunker

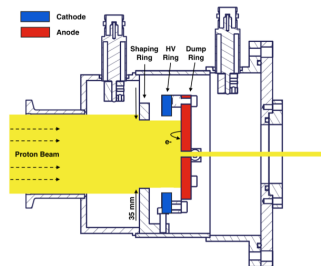
The Irradiation Facility: Irradiation Setup

Flexible irradiation setup in BTL bunker with beam monitoring, dose measurement, and different mounting structures for targets



1: Quadrupole Dublets, 2: Beam Viewer, 3: Collimator, 4: 2D Beam Monitoring Detector (Pi2), 5: 2D Stage

Collimator for dose measurement:



$$\text{TID} = \frac{\phi(E)}{\rho} \frac{dE}{dx}$$

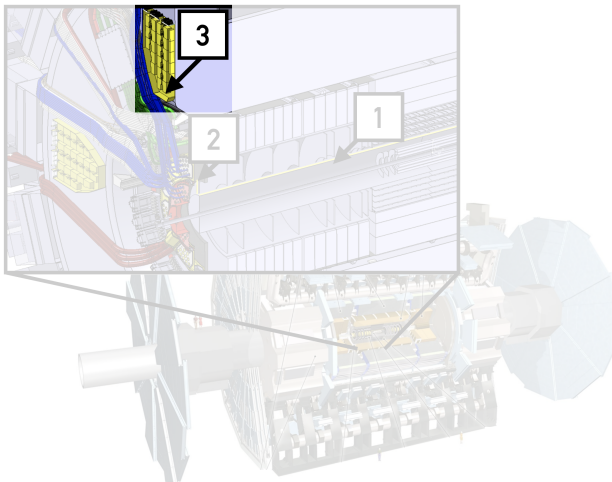
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[arXiv1803.01939](https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.01939) , [I. Mateu's Poster](#)

The Irradiation Campaigns

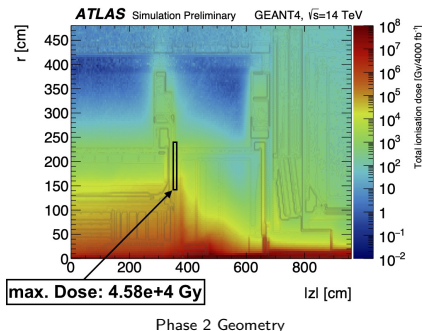
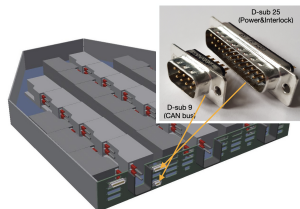
- ① Determine **dose (TID/NIEL)** for sample to be irradiated depending on:
 - Expected dose after 10 years of HL-LHC
 - Energy loss in specific material for 18 MeV protons
- ② Design appropriate **adjustment tool/setup** for the irradiation
- ③ Define **pre- and post-irradiation tests** to verify the effect of the irradiation
- ④ Perform irradiations

Campaign 1: Optosystem Connectors



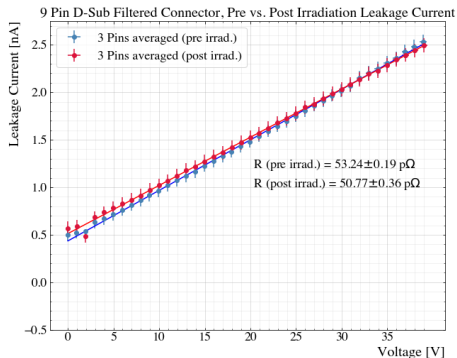
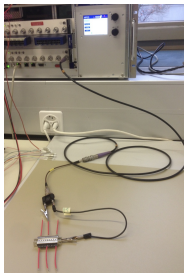
Opto Patch Panel Connectors

- Filtered connectors for power and monitoring lines: 2 types of low-pass filters (330 pF, 6800 pF)
- Irradiation up to **15 Mrad** (incl. $SF > 2$) TID
- **Pre-/Post irradiation tests:**
 - 1 Optical inspection
 - 2 **IV leakage current**
 - 3 **Current stability**
 - 4 Cutoff frequency



Opto Patch Panel Connectors: IV Leakage Current

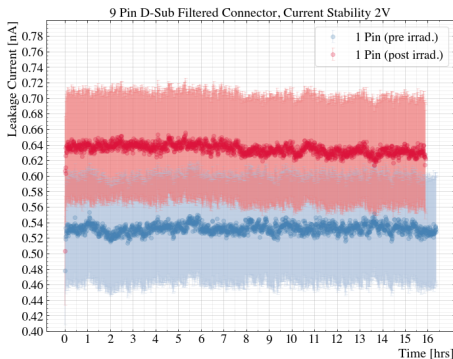
- IV measurements with M-pod HV module
- At each voltage step: 60 seconds, 12 measurements, averaged over multiple pins and “runs”



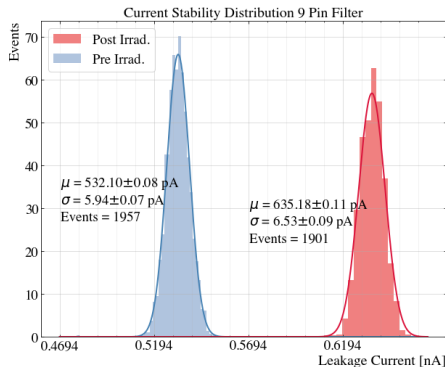
→ Result from 25-pin connector in the Appendix.

Opto Patch Panel Connectors: Current Stability

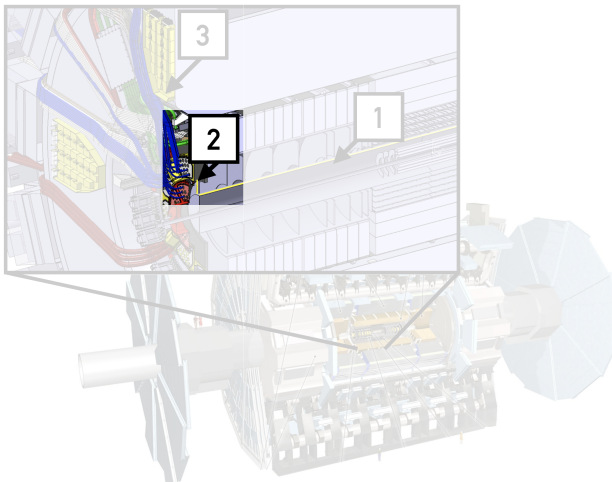
- Same setup as for the IV leakage current measurement
- Applied 2 V for 15+ hours to qualify the current stability



→ Result from 25-pin connector in the Appendix.

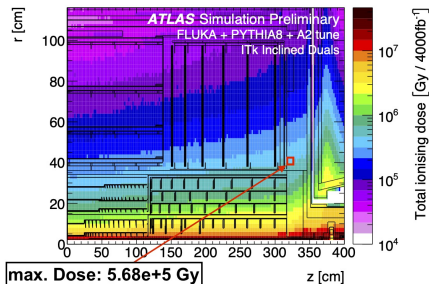


Campaign 2: Cable Shielding Material



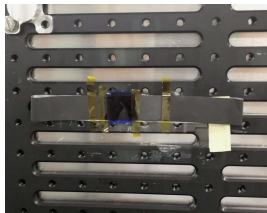
Z-Shield

- Shielding material (foil) for cables to avoid electromagnetic interference
- Irradiation up to **120 Mrad** (incl. $SF > 2$) TID
- Irradiation of 2-cm-wide “rings”
- **Pre-/Post irradiation tests:**
 - 1 Optical inspection
 - 2 Pull tests along the adhesive
 - 3 Electrical conductivity



Z-Shield: Optical Inspection & Pull Tests

1. Optical Inspection



Irradiation caused change of color and “bubbles” on surface.

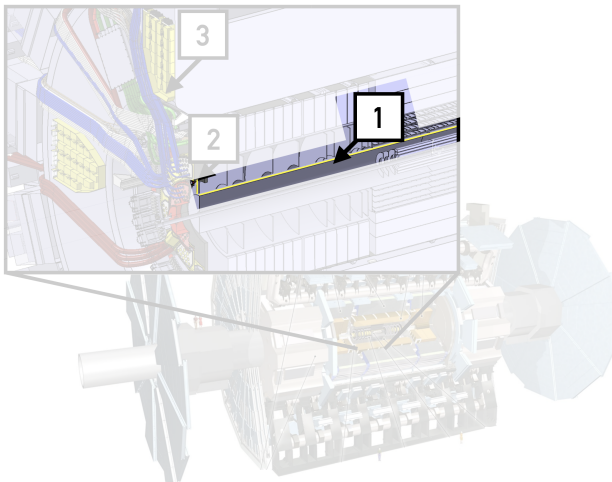
2. Pull tests with Newtonmeter:

- Before Irrad.: 55 N (after re-gluing: 48 N)
- After Irrad.: 46 N (re-gluing **not possible!**)

Qualification status under discussion.

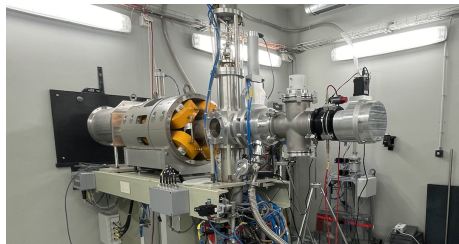
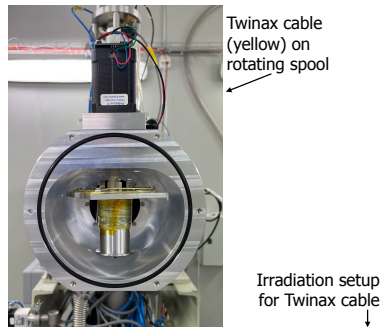


Campaign 3: Twinax Cable



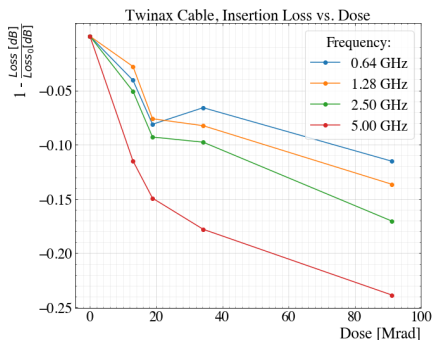
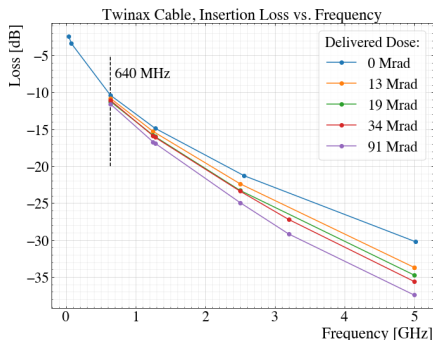
Irradiation Studies: Twinax Cable

- 6 m differential cable for electrical signals coming from the individual silicon modules to the Optosystem
- Irradiation of Twinax cables up to **500 Mrad!**
- Twinax cable mounted on a spool in two layers to maximise irradiated length in minimal time span
- **Pre-/Post- irradiation tests:**
 - 1 Bit error rate
 - 2 **Signal loss**



Irradiation Studies: Twinax Cable

- Preliminary irradiation campaign in 2019 went up until 92 Mrad
- New campaign with two cables is about to start!



Irradiation with highest dose to be delivered → dedicated “cyclotron setup” to test and validate the cable at the irradiation facility

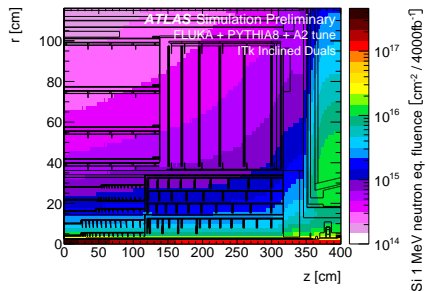
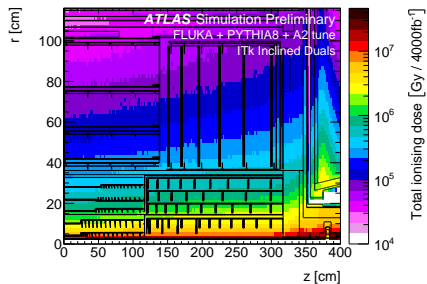
Summary & Outlook

- Recent irradiation campaigns for ATLAS ITk Optosystem show that the tested components satisfy radiation related requirements so far
- Upcoming tests related to ITk Optosystem:
 - ① 2 Twinax cables in multiple steps up to 500 Mrad
 - ② More components of the Optosystem, as soon as availability allows
- Bern medical cyclotron can be utilised as a flexible facility for various irradiation campaigns
- Not only for the ATLAS ITk irradiation studies, but also other samples (e.g. CMS silicon sensors, ESA space mission) have been irradiated and more to come!

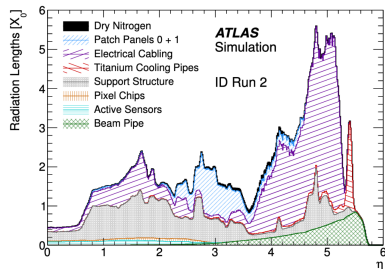
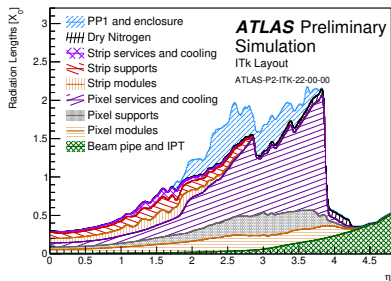
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Questions?

Backup Slides

ATLAS ITk Radiation Levels

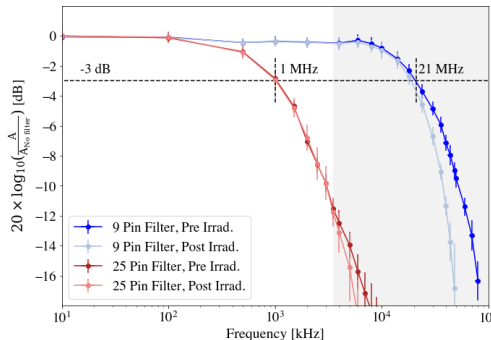
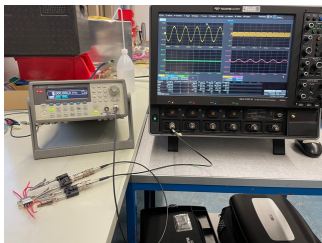


ATLAS ITk vs. ATLAS ID Material Budget



Opto Patch Panel Connectors: Cutoff Frequency

- Cutoff frequency as descriptive property of filter: $f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$
- Measurement with Agilent 80 MHz Pulse Generator and SDA 816Zi-B 16 GHz Serial Data Analyzer



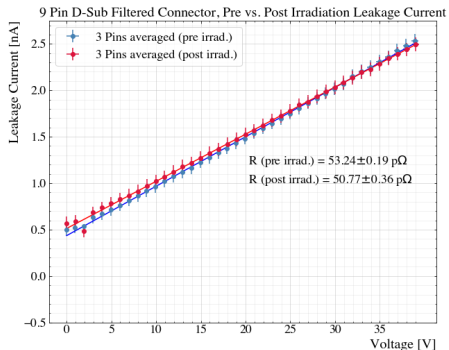
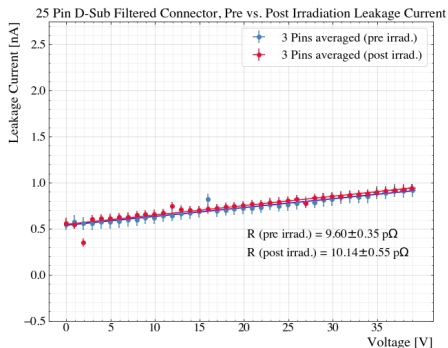
Expected cutoff frequencies:

$$f_{C,25} \cong 1.02 \text{ MHz}$$

$$f_{C,9} \cong 20.96 \text{ MHz}$$

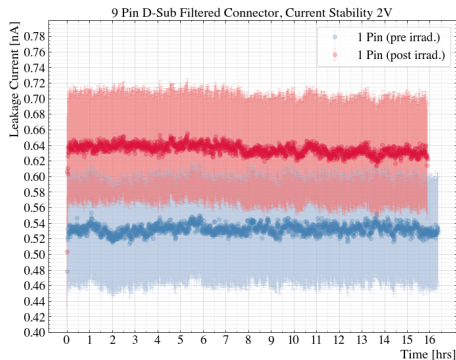
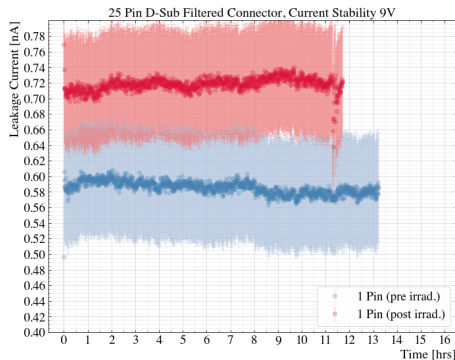
Opto Patch-Panel Connector Results

1. IV Leakage Current: 25-pin & 9-pin Connector



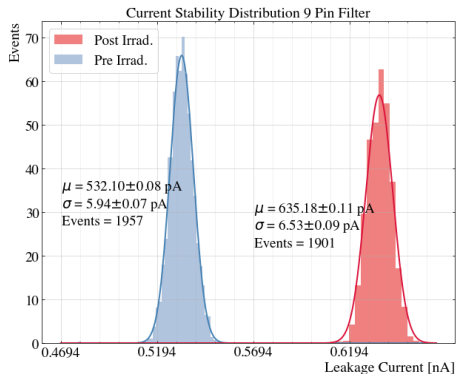
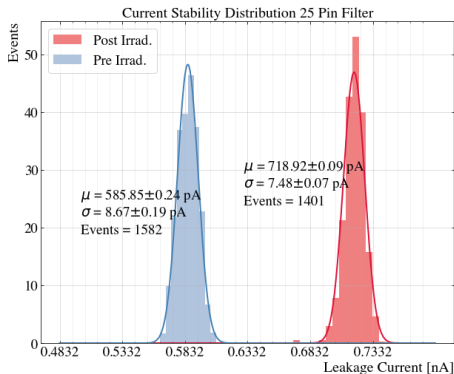
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2. Current Stability: 25-pin & 9-pin Connector

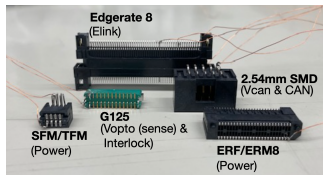
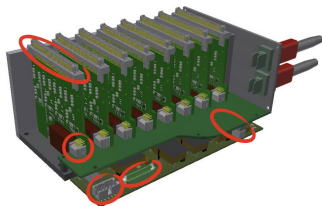


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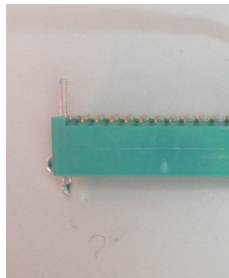
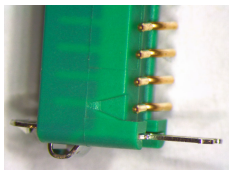
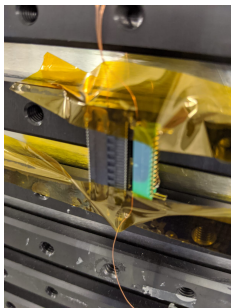


Optobox Connectors



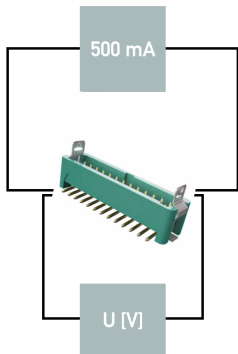
- 5 different connectors located within the Optoboxes: Edgerate 8, SFM/TFM, ERM/ERF 8, G125, 2.54mm SMD
- Irradiation up to **15 Mrad** (incl. $SF > 2$) TID
- **Pre-/Post irradiation tests:**
 - 1 Optical Inspection
 - 2 Resistance of different pins

Optobox Connectors: Optical Inspection

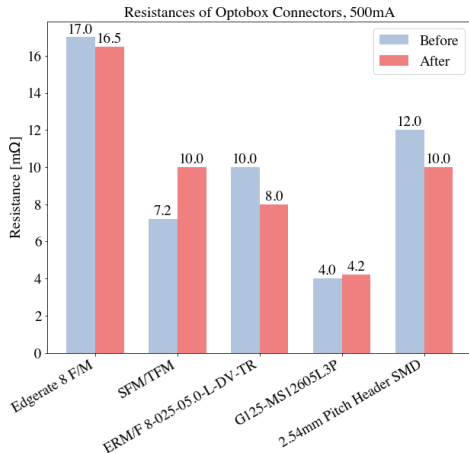


No further surface damages detected (also w. microscope)!

Optoboard Connectors: Resistance



- Apply 500 mA current with Agilent E3649A, measure voltage with Keysight 34461A 6_{1/2} Digit Multimeter



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