











The Upstream Tracker: the silicon strip detector for the LHCb upgrade

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LHCb Detector





Single arm forward spectrometer

- Coverage: 2<η<5
- Designed for CP violation studies in b and c hadrons decays and their rare decays



LHCb Upgrade I - Run 3

- 5x luminosity \rightarrow L= 2*10³³cm⁻²s⁻¹
- 5 fb⁻¹ / year
- 40 MHz readout and full software trigger
- New tracker (VELO, UT, SciFi)
- New optics and PMTs of RICH 1, RICH 2

Run 1 \rightarrow 3 fb⁻¹ collected Run 2 \rightarrow 6 fb⁻¹ collected

Precision of many physics measurements at LHCb statistically limited at the end of Run 2





Upstream Tracker upgrade



4	⊢9 fb-1								grad	e I	Goal: 50 fb-1								
Run	Run 1		LS1		Run 2			LS2			Run 3			LS3			Run 4		
2010 2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030

UT in the LHCb tracking:

- Intermediate measurements between VELO and downstream tracking → ghost tracks reduction
- Fast estimate of the particle momentum
 - → $\sigma(P_T)/P_T \sim 15\%$ VEL0+UT momentum resolution

 - \rightarrow 3x reduction of the time required by the forward tracking algorithm
- Increase reconstruction efficiency of long lived particles:

e.g. $K_{0_S} \rightarrow \pi + \pi -, \Lambda \rightarrow p\pi -$.

Run 3

5x luminosity Increase of detector occupancy Increase of radiation level





UT upgrade Finer granularity and improved coverage 40 MHz readout Improved radiation hardness



UT overview





Single-sided silicon strip sensors on both sides of the stave

- Sensors/staves overlapping to **reduce gaps** in acceptance
- Finer segmentation in high-occupancy region
- Inner-most sensors with circular cut-outs to maximize the acceptance near the beam line

Four detection layers constructed using vertical "staves".

Measure of XUVX coordinates: 0° and ±5° strips providing **stereo information**



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Silicon sensors



- Four designs to cope with occupancy and radiation. Sensors produced by Hamamatsu
- **Top-side** HV biasing ٠
- Inner region: n-in-p type with 93.5 um pitch and circular ٠ cutout near the beam pipe
- Outer region: p-in-n type with 187.5 um pitch and ٠ embedded pitch adapter





Α

В

С

D



Sensor R&D



60.68 micron

FanIn : active strips

with routing on top

Embedded pitch adapter

FanUp : routing in

inactive region

541.68 micror

Sensor R&D:

- Different designs investigated and tested in 2014-2017 testbeams
- Embedded pitch adapter for Type A sensor:
 → FanIn vs FanUp
- Top side vs Back side biasing scheme
- Different technologies: p-in-n vs n-in-p



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"Silicon ASIC for LHCb Tracking"

Good shaping time:

- T_peak ≤25 ns
- <5% after 2 T_peak</p>





TSMC CMOS 130 nm technology

- **128 channels**, wirebonded to sensors
- Input pitch 80µm
- 30 MRad radiation tolerance
- 40 MHz readout
- Up to 5 SLVS e-links @ 320 Mbps
- DSP functions :
 - \rightarrow pedestal subtraction
 - \rightarrow common mode noise subtraction
 - \rightarrow zero suppression



SALT SEU issues



- SALT v3.5 is vulnerable to radiation in its TrimDAC and Pedestal registers
- **Issues** due to:

→ increased combinatorial logic when moving
 from RTL Compiler/Encounter to Genus/Innovus
 → Some registers grouped for SEU corrections

- New SALT v3.9 version with more synchronizers, reduced logic, no register grouping
- **SALT v3.9 tested** at CIAE 100 MeV proton synchrotron facility in late 2020
- SEUs in TrimDAC and Pedestal registers rates reduced from V3.5 by factors of 165 and 21, respectively
- SALT v3.9 will be used for the readout of the **innermost sensors** with higher particle fluence











Module hosting a 4-chip hybrid and a type A sensor

Flex hybrid:

- Hosts the front-end ASICs
- Routes power and data between sensor and periphery
- Two designs:
 - \rightarrow VERA, hosts 4 ASICs and is used for type A sensors
 - \rightarrow **SUSI**, hosts 8 ASICs and is used for type B,C,D sensors
- ASICs are glued to the hybrid with thermally and electrically conductive glue, then wirebonded to both the hybrid and the sensor

A Module is composed of:

- A ceramic stiffener for support and thermal conductivity
- Flex hybrid and sensor



8-chip hybrid and sensor mounted on a on a prototype test board



Sensor and ASIC testbeam



Testbeam at Fermilab in March 2019

First test with nearly final modules, with Type A and B sensors:

- DELTA hybrid (4-chip prototype not for production)
- SALT v3.5 ASICs
- Excess noise due to interference with external tracking system









Testbeam at Fermilab in March 2019:

- Type A non-irradiated sensor:
 → 99.5% efficiency with S/N ~ 12
- Type B irradiated sensor:
 → 6.2 * 10¹³ n_{eq}/cm² : ~ 2 x max. exp. dose
 → 94% efficiency and S/N ~ 11
- **Lower efficiency** mostly due to readout limitations:

S/N~12

100

200

 \rightarrow will be recovered with LHCb readout

99.5% efficiency

Efficiency

Unirradiated sensor

300

Bias voltage (V)

--Signal (Landau MPV)

500

400



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12

10

8

6

2

0

0

Peak of Landau fit (MPV)

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Dataflex





Dataflex:

- Low mass kapton flex cables for readout, power and grounding
- Sensor modules are wirebonded to the flex cables
- 100 Ω differential input impedance traces
- Up to 1000 V between adjacent lines
- Less than 500 mV roundtrip voltage drop









Stave:

- 1.6 m x 10 cm low-mass support
- Foam support with **CO2 cooling tubes** sandwiched in carbon fiber
- Overlap between sensors, mounted on front and back of the stave
- Wirebonded modules are anchored to the flex cables using epoxy at 3 points, to allow for replacement in case of damage
- Total of 68 staves for the UT detector

Stave Flex cable Hybrid + ASICs Sensor











Assembled stave tested at CERN in the UT Slice Test setup, which allows for:

- Connection to the CO2 cooling system
- Humidity control
- Light-tight environment

Results:

- Similar to the single-module tests
- example at 5°C, 400V bias: noise ~0.88, MIP signal ~13 \rightarrow S/N ~15







Peripheral electronics (PEPI)





- A **flexible pigtail** connects the each stave to the peripheral electronics (**PEPI**)
- The backplane distributes balanced loads to the data concentrator boards (DCB)

 $\rightarrow\,$ ultra-dense 28 layers layout at the limit of the manufacturability





- DCBs send data to the DAQ
- 7 GBTx ASICs per board
- 3 VTTx + 1 VTRX (6 Tx, 2 Rx optic links @4.8Gbps)



- 248 DCBs:
 - \rightarrow **7.1 Tbps** output bandwidth
 - \rightarrow organized into 8 PEPI crates



UT integration









- VERA (4-chip) hybrids production and assembly almost complete and SUSI (8-chip) hybrids production starting
- **Dataflex** and **pigtail** cables production being finalized
- **PEPI** electronics (backplane, DCB, LVR) **produced, QA-ed,** and currently being re-tested at CERN
- Modules and Staves assembly is ongoing
- First fully instrumented staves shipped to CERN





Summary



The **Upstream Tracker** plays a critical role in the tracking for the LHCb Upgrade

Major upgrades with respect to the current TT tracker

- Finer granularity in the inner region
- Improved radiation hardness
- Fast readout at 40 MHz

The UT is currently being built, and most components have been produced and delivered

- Silicon sensor and ASICs have been tested in multiple testbeams
- Hybrid production and ASIC mounting almost finished
- **PEPI** electronics being tested at CERN
- Modules and Staves assembly is ongoing
- Mechanics, cabling, etc. being prepared at CERN
- Aiming for installation underground by the end of 2021