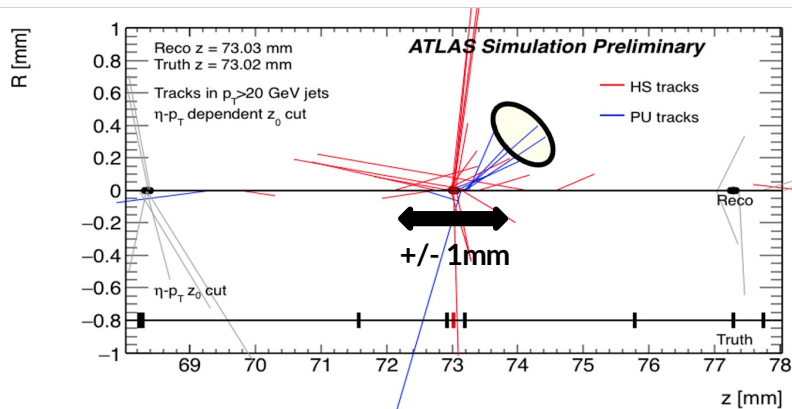
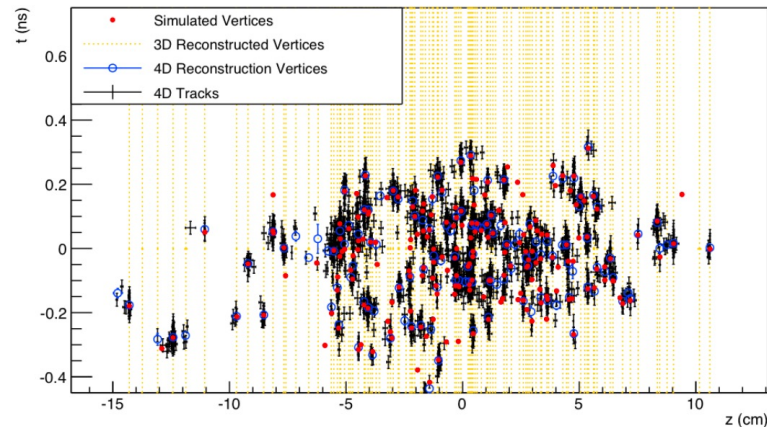
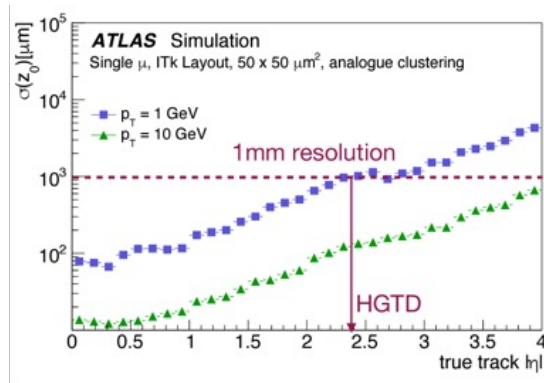
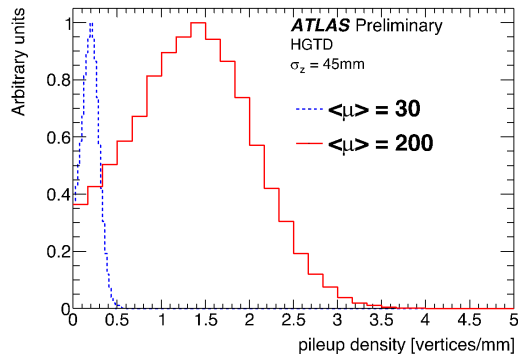


Introduction

- **Precision timing at the level of 10-30ps is a new capability for the next generation of particle physics detectors at all future colliders**
 - Address the increasing complexity of events at hadron colliders
 - 4D trackers to resolve vertices at very high pileup densities
 - Identify long-lived particles (LLPs) and expand the reach for new phenomena
 - Enable particle ID capabilities at low momentum
 - Enhance calorimetry measurements
 - Suppress out-of-time beam induced backgrounds
- Coarse timing at the ns-level can complement fast timing layers for enhanced overall 4D tracking and 5D calorimetry
- **R&D to investigate the full potential of fast timing detectors in future colliders is an exciting opportunity for the particle physics community**

Hadron colliders



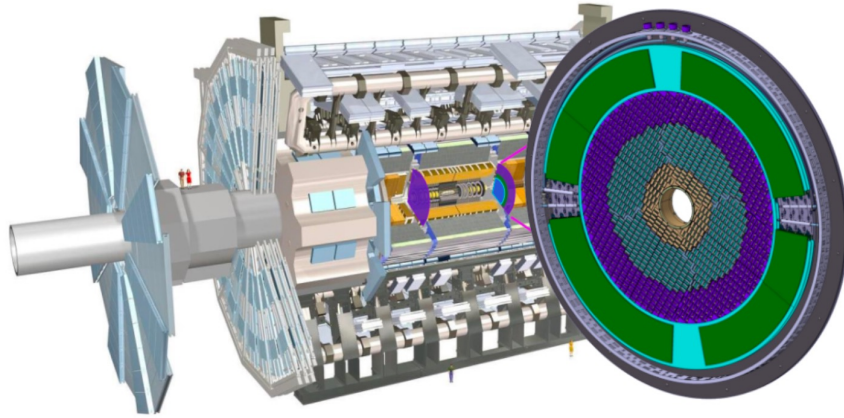
HL-LHC pileup density is comparable or larger than the track longitudinal impact parameter: **the association of tracks to vertices becomes ambiguous!**

Exploit the time spread of collisions to reduce pileup contamination

**Nominal HL-LHC Luminous region $\sigma_t = 180\text{ps}$
(30ps detector) $\rightarrow 30/180 = 6\times$ pile-up rejection**

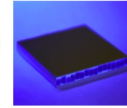
ATLAS and CMS

ALIAS HGTD



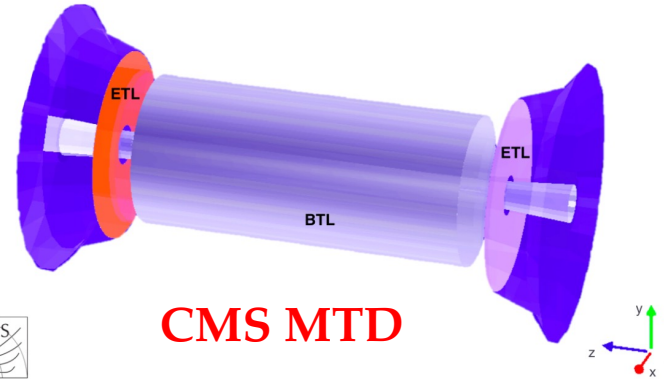
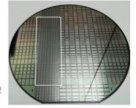
BTL: LYSO bars + SiPM readout:

- TK / ECAL interface: $|η| < 1.45$
- Inner radius: 1148 mm (40 mm thick)
- Length: ± 2.6 m along z
- Surface ~ 38 m²; 332k channels
- Fluence at 4 ab⁻¹: 2×10^{14} n_{eq}/cm²



ETL: Si with internal gain (LGAD):

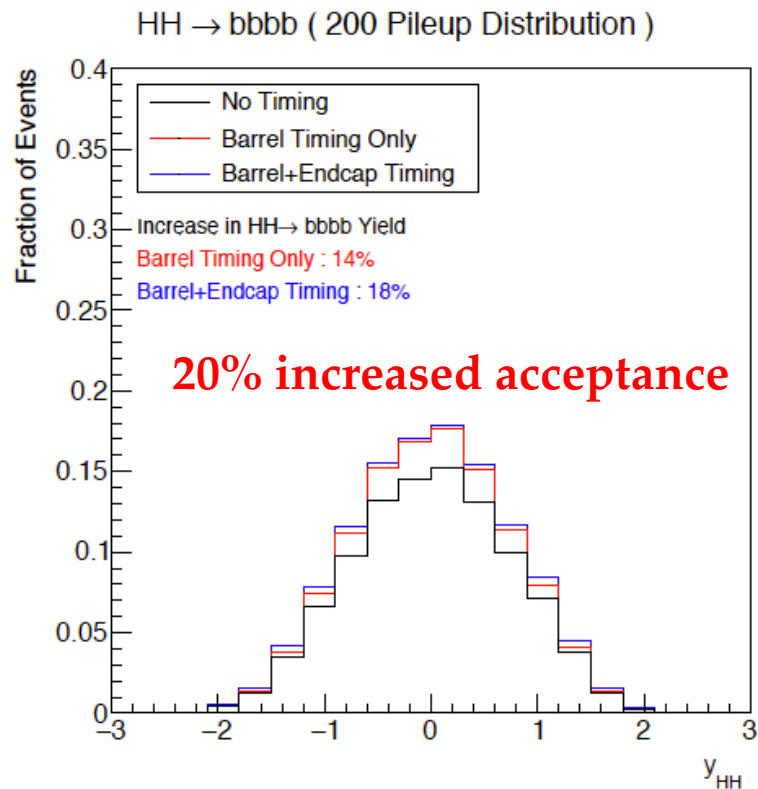
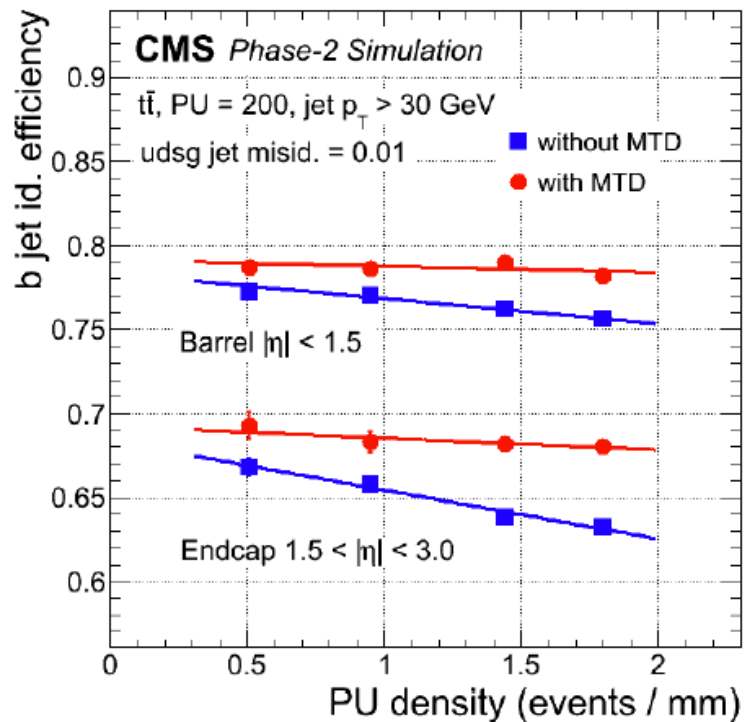
- On the CE nose: $1.6 < |η| < 3.0$
- Radius: 315 < R < 1200 mm
- Position in z: ± 3.0 m (45 mm thick)
- Surface ~ 14 m²; ~ 8.5 M channels
- Fluence at 4 ab⁻¹: up to 2×10^{15} n_{eq}/cm²



CMS MTD

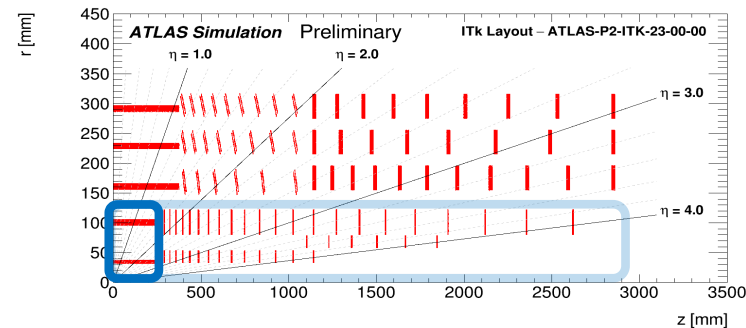
- LGAD sensors in the endcap/forward regions (1.3×1.3 mm²)
- ~ 30 ps time resolution per track
- ATLAS improves forward VBF final states (pileup suppression, lepton isolation)
- CMS hermetic coverage improves b-tagging, LLP, and provides PID capabilities
- **ATLAS and CMS HL-LHC timing layers are precursors to future 4D trackers and excellent first platforms for developing precision timing in collider environments**

Physics impact: Di-Higgs

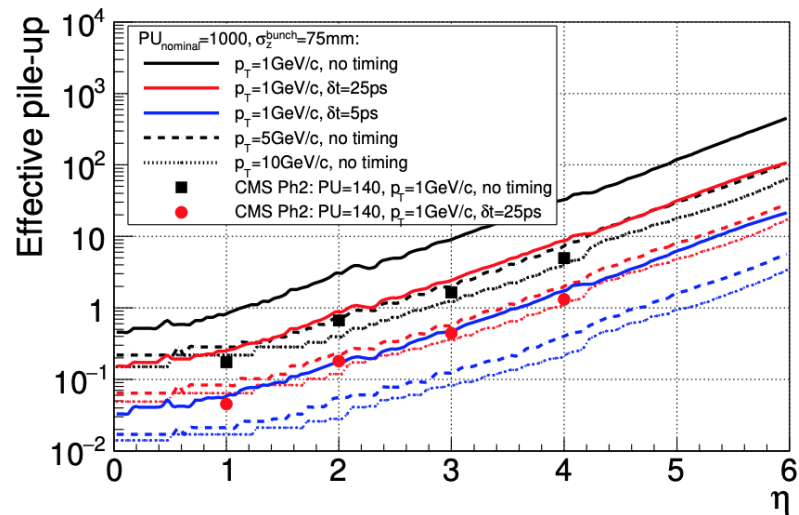


Future Hadron colliders

- **ATLAS inner pixel** is designed to last 2000 fb^{-1} , to be replaced mid-way through HL-LHC
 - Exciting opportunity to introduce a 4D single pixel layer for additional barrel coverage and improved physics performance



- **FCC-hh**
 - Unprecedented $O(1000)$ pileup conditions
 - Very clear case for the use of 4D technology in all tracking layers
 - Associate hits consistent in time
 - Need 5-10ps resolution per track
 - Dedicated R&D required to archive a radiation hardness for an intensity 30 times larger than HL-LHC



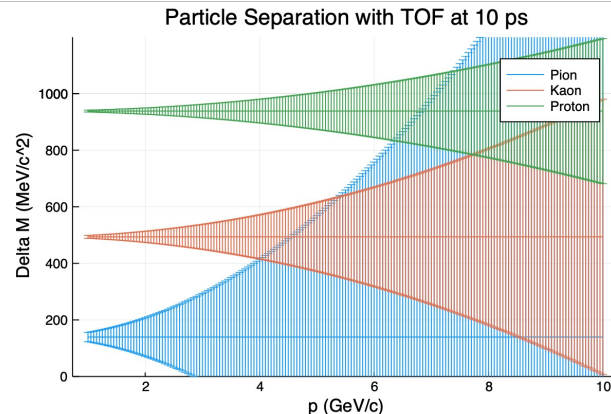
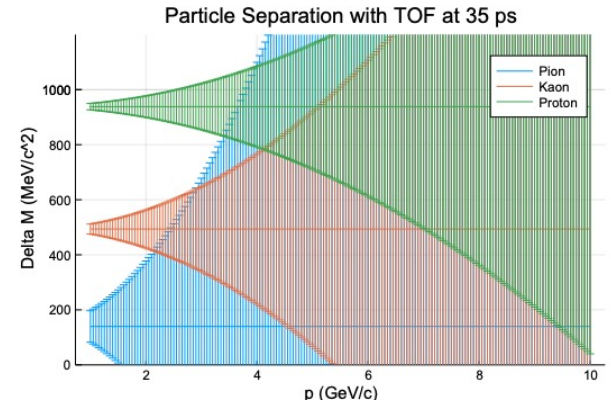
e^+e^- colliders

- **Clean environment**
- **Physics measurements require very high precision → very low passive material in tracking/vertexing detectors**
- Most studies so far focus on the use of ~ns level resolution to remove particles from beam induced backgrounds
- **The community is pursuing studies to assess the potential of O(10) picosecond timing resolution to enhance the physics capabilities of the next Higgs Factory**
 - Large-area, large-radius 4D tracking layer(s) for PID
 - Enhancing calorimeter jet reconstruction:
 - timing can help resolve nearby hadronic showers, and effectively provide longitudinal segmentation in fiber dual-readout calorimeters
 - Various approaches: timing layers, “volume” timing, hybrid, ... with different requirements
 - Various technologies for materials, sensors, and electronics being explored to address the many challenges involved
 - **Plenty of room for new ideas and innovation!**

Particle ID

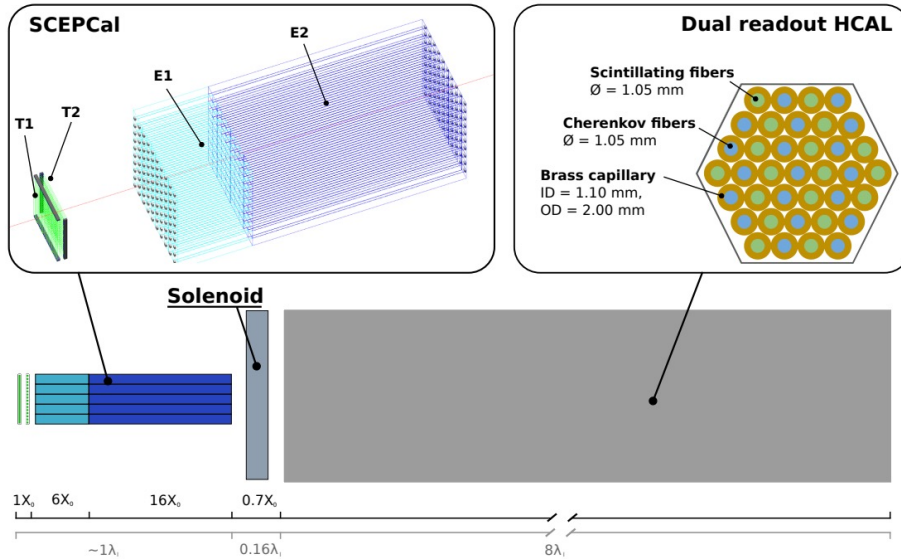
[Updating the SiD Detector concept](#)
[\[Breidenbach, et. al.\]](#)

- Large-radius timing layers in the in front of the calorimeter can provide **Time-of-Flight** (ToF) for PID
- Need 10ps resolution for K/pi separation at low momentum (up to ~ 3 GeV)
- Complements other PID subdetectors in the low momentum region
 - for example, a RICH detector for high (10-30 GeV) momentum – [See talk by J. Vavra](#)
- Large-radius timing layers can also improve **LLP searches** (heavy particles decaying to jets and photons)
 - More study needed

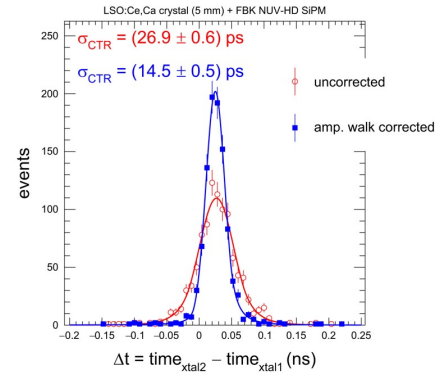


Timing layers

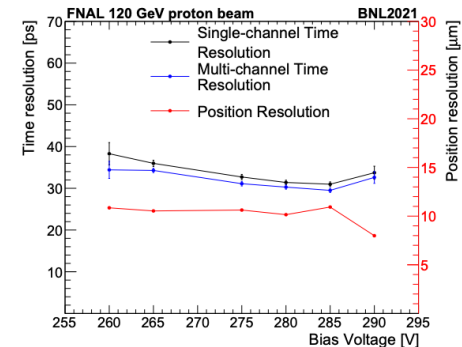
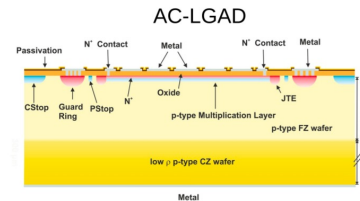
[New perspectives on segmented crystal calorimeters for future colliders](#)
[Lucchini, et. al.]



- Hybrid segmented dual-readout calorimeter
 - Two thin timing layers in front of EM Calorimeter



[Detection of high energy muons with sub-20 ps timing resolution using L\(Y\)SO crystals and SiPM readout](#)
[Benaglia, et. al.]

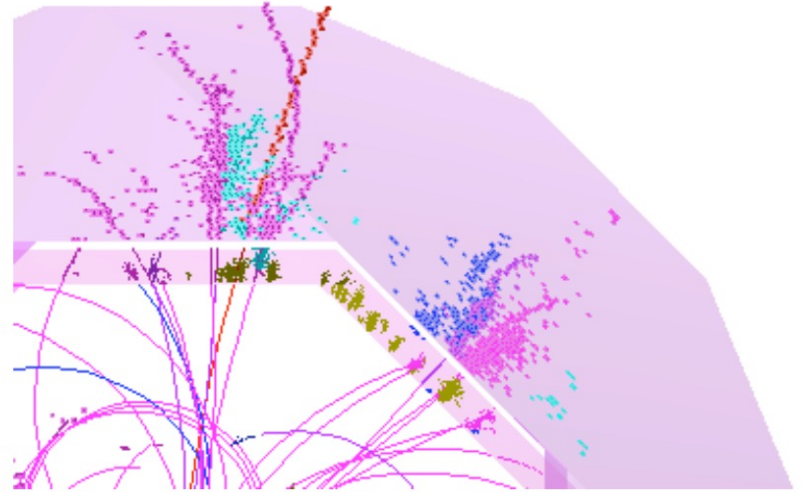


[Characterization of BNL and HPK AC-LGAD sensors with a 120 GeV proton beam](#) [Heller, et. al.]

Calorimetry

[Precision timing for collider-experiment-based calorimetry \[Chekanov, et. al.\]](#)

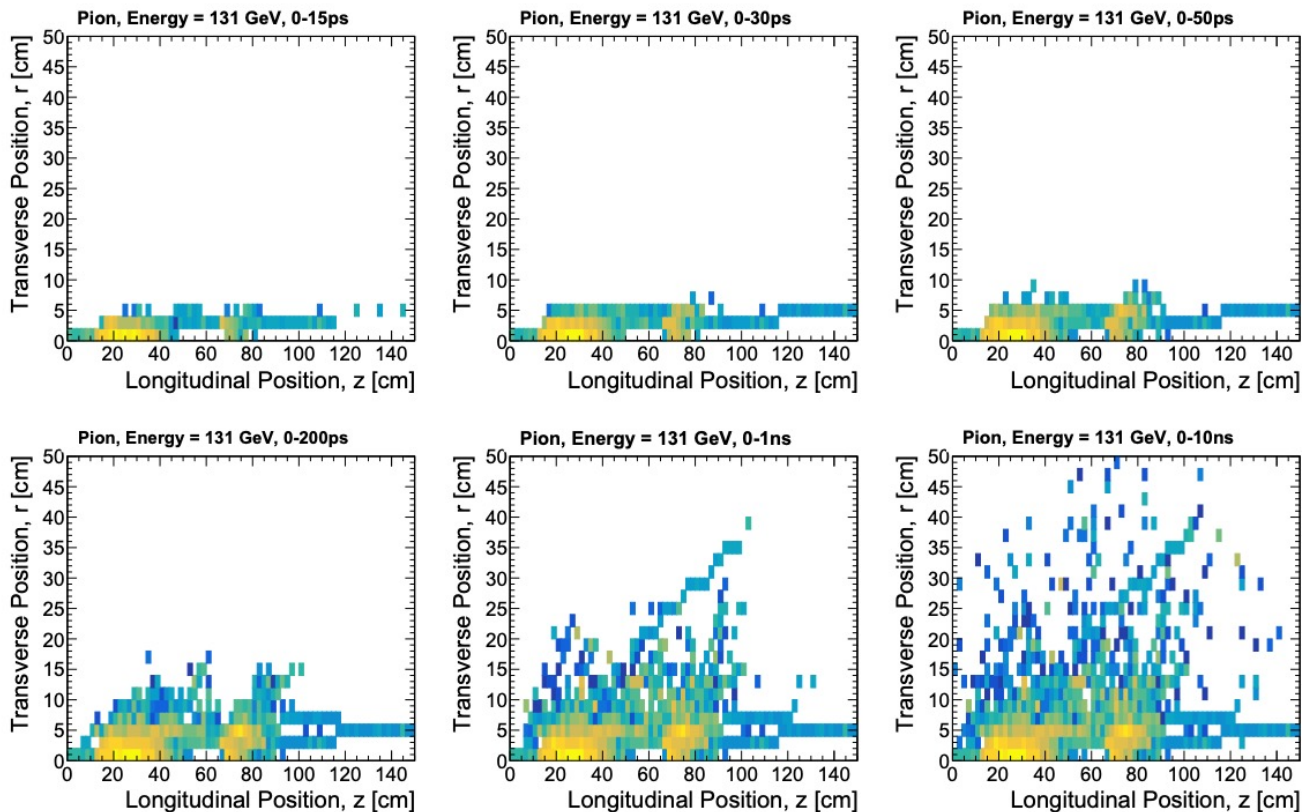
- Performance of particle flow reconstruction depends on the ability to associate showers to particles
 - Challenging when showers overlap in space
- Precision timing information can help resolve close-by showers, exploiting the full space-time structure of showers, improving the jet energy resolution



- Different approaches:
 - “Volume” (cell-level) timing
 - Dedicated timing cells
 - Timing layers within the calorimeter

Calorimetry

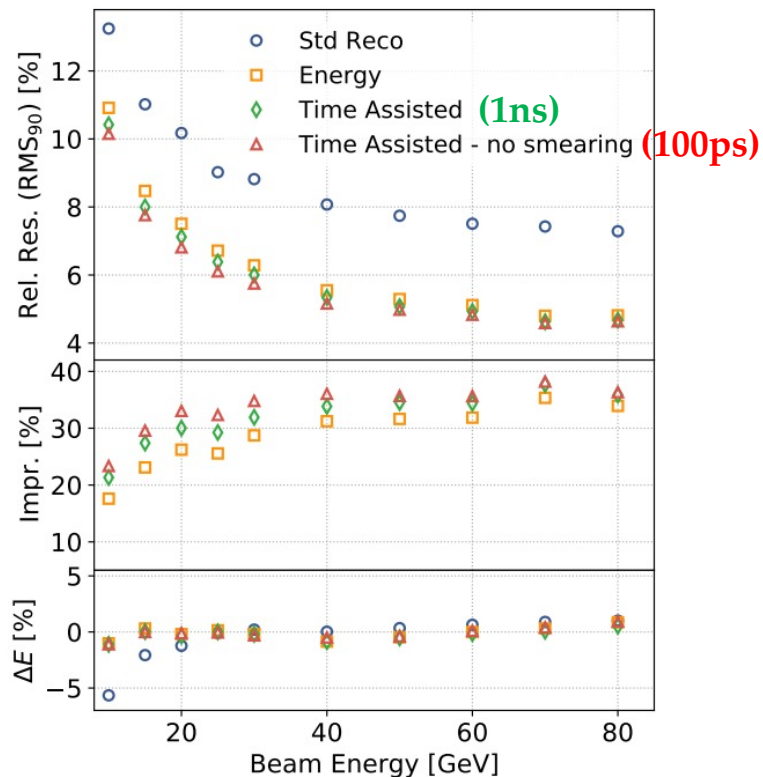
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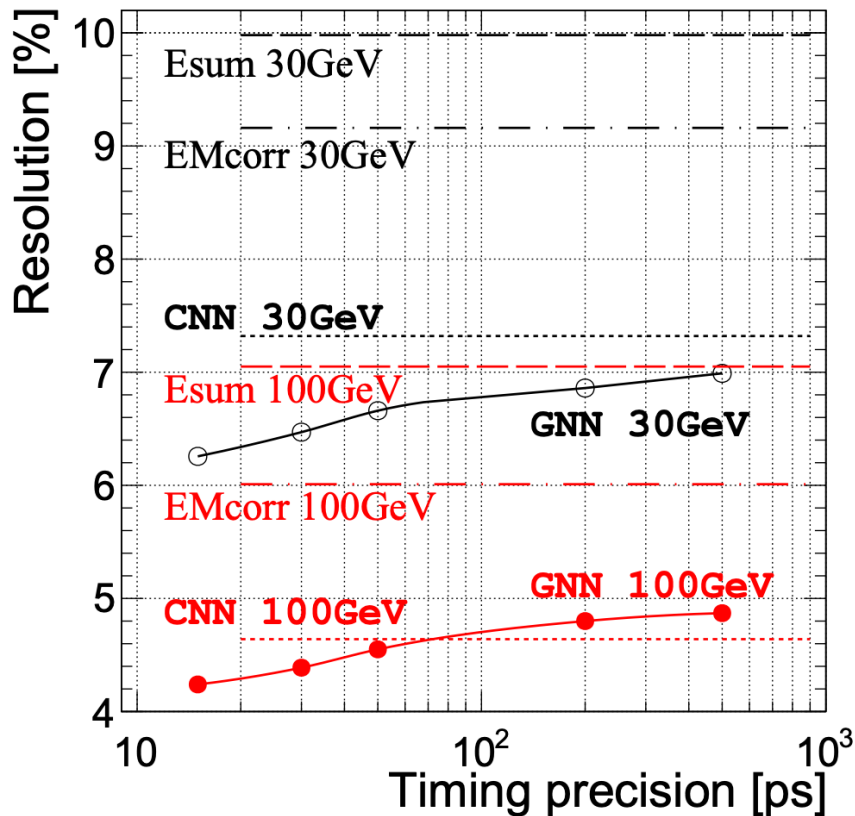
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CALICE SiPM-on-file analog
hadron calorimeter



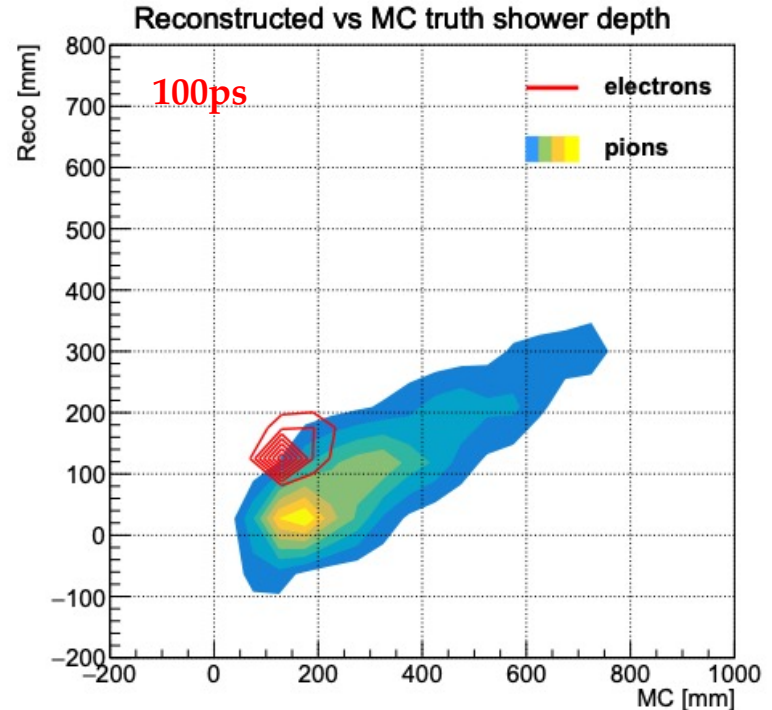
[Time-assisted energy reconstruction in a highly-granular hadronic calorimeter Christian \[Graf, Simon\]](#)



Calorimetry

Longitudinal segmentation by timing in dual-read out fiber calorimeters

- Timing information at the level of 30-100ps can effectively segment longitudinally fiber calorimeters, providing new capabilities for shower shape reconstruction
- Similar concept could be used to enhance RICH ring reconstruction using SiPMs with ~ 100 ps time resolution (See Vavra talk)



[Precision timing for collider-experiment-based calorimetry \[Chekanov, et. al.\]](#)

Detector Technologies and R&D

- **Timing layers:**

- LGADs sensors with $O(10\text{ps})$ and $O(10\mu\text{m})$ resolution
 - AC-LGAD, TI-LGAD, DJ-LGAD, Buried LGAD, DS-LGAD (see backup)
 - Silicon Carbide LGADs
 - Monolithic CMOS LGADs

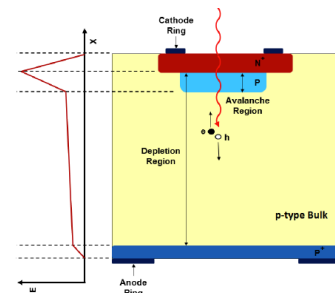
[4-Dimensional Trackers \[Berry, et. al\]](#)

- 3D silicon sensors
- LYSO crystals + SiPMs

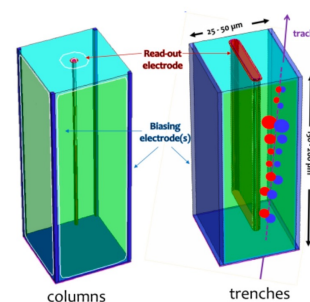
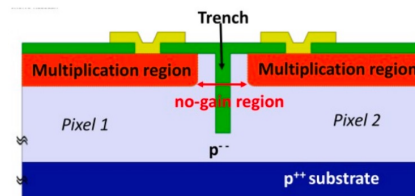
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- **Volume timing:**

- LGADs or Silicon tiles (CMS HGCal)
- Plastic scintillator tiles or strips + SiPMs
- ...



TI-LGAD



Electronics

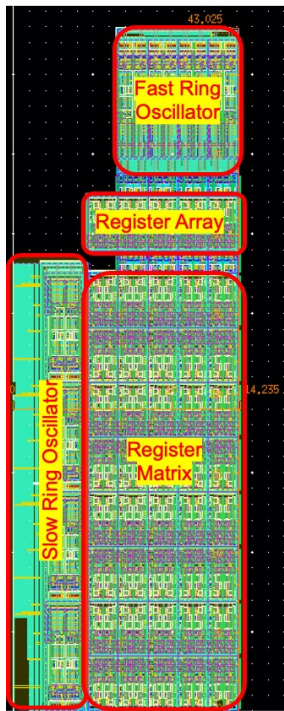
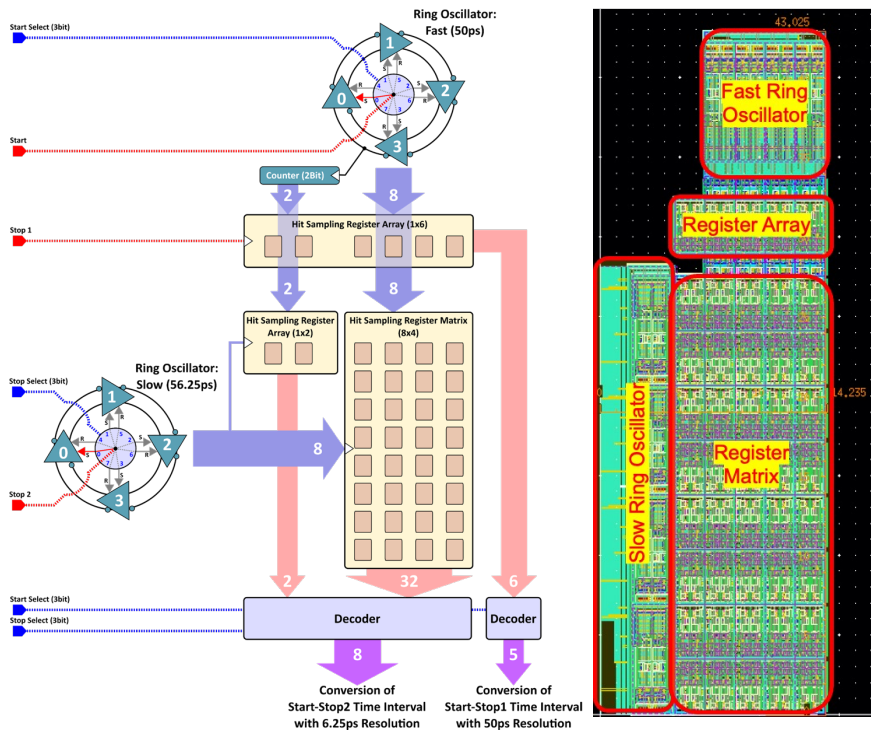
- HL-LHC timing ASICs are a revolutionary step forward to bring O(ps) timing to collider experiments, but use significant more space and power than what is required for 4D trackers → **Need R&D to minimize both power consumption and channel size**

ASIC	Technology	Pitch	Total size	Power consumption	TID tolerance
ALTIROC	130 nm	1.3 mm	19.5 × 19.5 mm ²	5 mW/chan	2 MGy
ETROC	65 nm	1.3 mm	20.8 × 20.8 mm ²	3 mW/chan	1 MGy
RD53A/HL-LHC pixels	65 nm	50 μm	20 × 11.6 mm ²	< 10 μW/chan	5–15 MGy

- Some current ongoing R&D projects:**

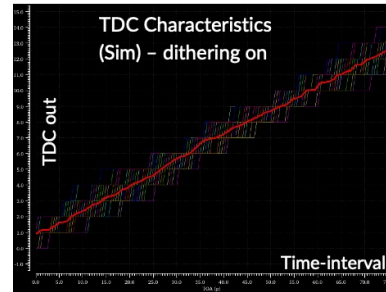
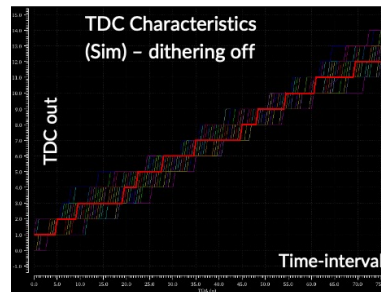
- CERN EP R&D WP5 has promoted the selection of 28nm CMOS node as the next step in microelectronics for HEP designs. Twice as fast and allows 4-5x circuits densities than 65nm. SLAC has designed a **TDC in 28nm with target resolution 6.25ps**. Fabrication expected January/2023
- Fermilab has developed an ASIC in 65 nm for LGAD fast timing readout based on **Constant Fraction Discriminator** (FCFDv0) with 10ps jitter (Current collaboration to pair with SLAC 6.25ps TDC)
- **SiGe chips optimized for low power and 10ps resolution** are being produced by Anadyne Inc. and UC Santa Cruz (TowerJazz 130nm)
- **Full waveform digitization chip**: UC. Santa Cruz is working with Nalu Scientific to design and fabricate a waveform digitization ASIC for AC-LGAD sensor arrays (TSMC 65nm)

Timing Electronics R&D at SLAC



One of the critical circuit blocks necessary to enable 4D operation in trackers are low-power and compact TDCs capable of high time-measurement precision

SLAC has designed a TDCs in 28nm technology implementing dithering with 6.25ps time resolution.

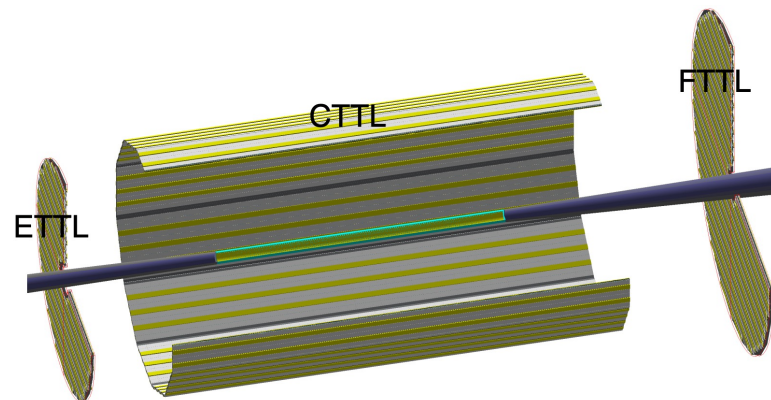
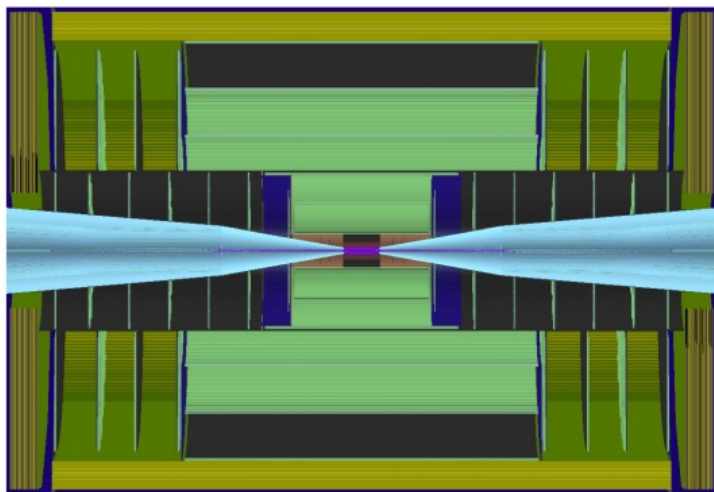


Summary

- **Detectors with ultra-fast timing present a new exciting opportunity for the next generation of particle colliders**
- Adding a 4th timing dimension brings new information that can enhance the capabilities of all future particle colliders
 - The case for precision timing at e^+e^- Higgs factories is being investigated with various opportunities in PID, and calorimetry
- Many interesting R&D directions in sensors, electronics, and overall detector system design need to be pursued to address the multiple challenges associated to how to best utilize timing information at a future e^+e^- Higgs Factory

Backup

Muon collider and EIC



	Vertex Detector	Inner Tracker	Outer Tracker
Cell type	pixels	macropixels	microstrips
Cell Size	$25\mu\text{m} \times 25\mu\text{m}$	$50\mu\text{m} \times 1\text{mm}$	$50\mu\text{m} \times 10\text{mm}$
Sensor Thickness	$50\mu\text{m}$	$100\mu\text{m}$	$100\mu\text{m}$
Time Resolution	30ps	60ps	60ps
Spatial Resolution	$5\mu\text{m} \times 5\mu\text{m}$	$7\mu\text{m} \times 90\mu\text{m}$	$7\mu\text{m} \times 90\mu\text{m}$

Precision timing:

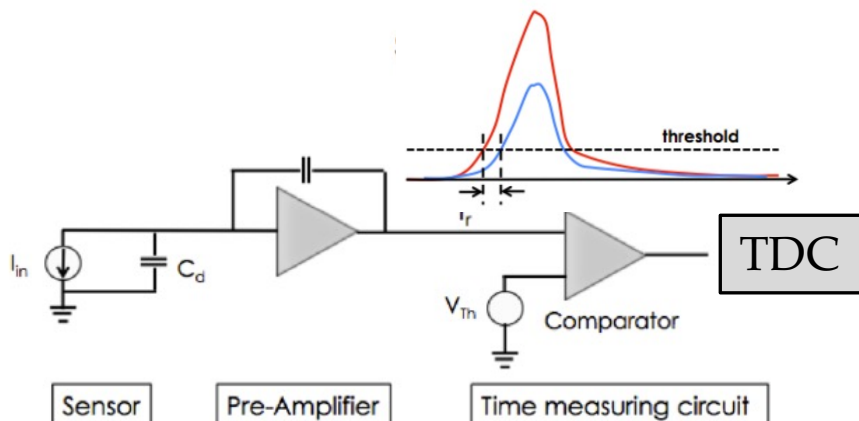
- PID using TOF and vertex identification for far-forward hadrons
- **CTTL/FTTL: 4D tracking detectors with 25-30ps time resolution and 3um-50um (AC-LGADs)**

May become the first demonstration of 4D tracking layers in a collider experiment

R&D for 4D and 5D (directional information) tracking

Time resolution

$$\sigma_t^2 = \sigma_{Landau}^2 + \sigma_{timewalk}^2 + \sigma_{jitter}^2 + \sigma_{TDC}^2 + \sigma_{clock}^2$$



Key to precision timing: Large signal with short rise time and low noise (reduce jitter), limited thickness (reduce Landau), and small TDC bin size (reduce TDC component)

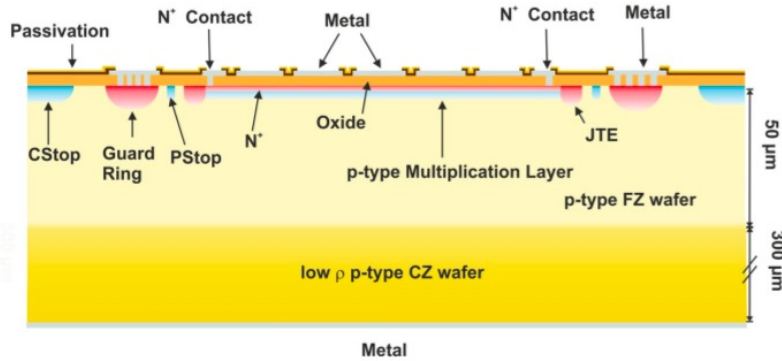
- Time walk
 - Variable threshold (CFD)
 - Correction based on TOT

$$\sigma_{jitter} = \frac{N}{\frac{dV}{dt}} \propto \frac{t_{rise}}{S/N}$$

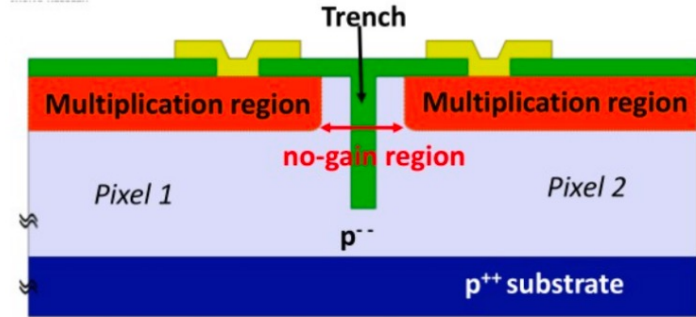
- TDC quantization error (bin size)
 - ATLAS/CMS 20-30ps ToA
 - ATLAS/CMS 40-100ps TOT
 - $\sigma_{TDC} = \frac{binsize}{\sqrt{12}} \sim 7ps$

Advanced LGADs

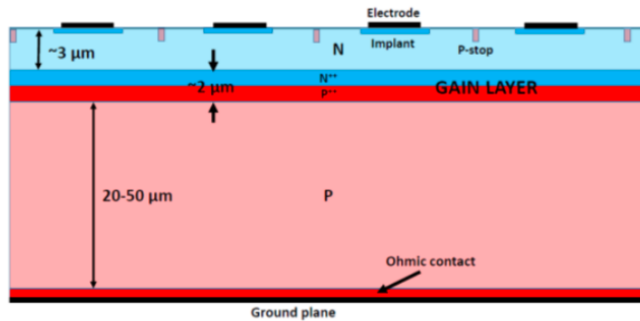
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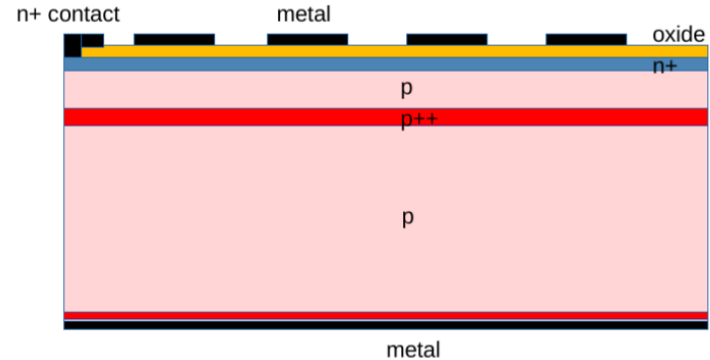
TI-LGAD



DJ-LGAD



Buried-LGAD



Si Sensor technologies

- **Based on physics requirements, future tracking sensors will require:**
 - simultaneous fine resolutions in both time and space of order 5-30ps and 5-25um
 - some colliders: radiation hardness, high occupancy, low material budget
 - coarser ns-level time resolution layers can be complementary for some applications
 - some applications will benefit from single-layer directional measurements (5D)
- **Two main approaches**

Low Gain Avalanche
Detectors (LGADs)

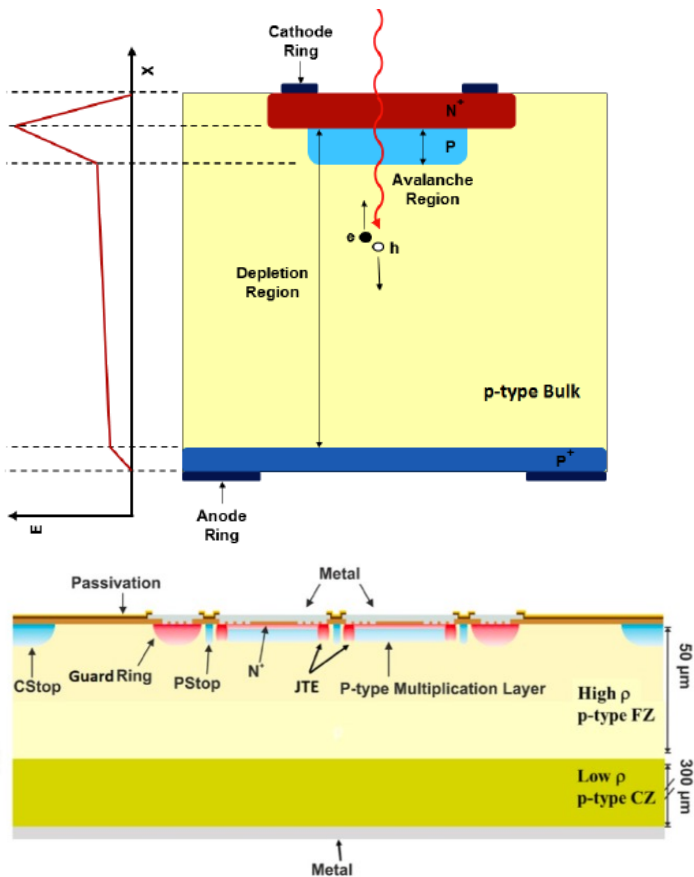
precision timing → fine segmentation

Monolithic sensors / 3D

fine segmentation → precision timing

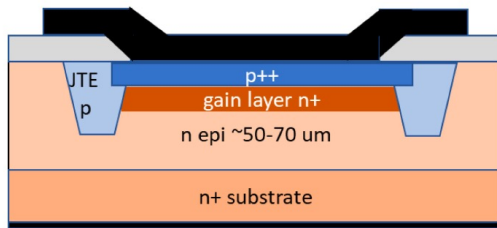
LGADs

- **Thin silicon sensors with modest intrinsic gain (5-50) provided by a doped p+ multiplication layer**
 - thin: reduces Landau fluctuations
 - high S/B from internal gain
 - short rise time minimizes jitter
 - 30ps resolution sensors used in ATLAS and CMS HL-LHC endcap timing layer upgrades
- **Standard LGADs require mm-size pads and require Junction Termination Extensions (JTE) to interrupt the gain layer between channels introducing inactive regions**
- **Advanced LGAD designs**
 - AC-coupled, Trench-isolated, Deep-Junction, Buried Layer, double sided LGAD for 5D tracking



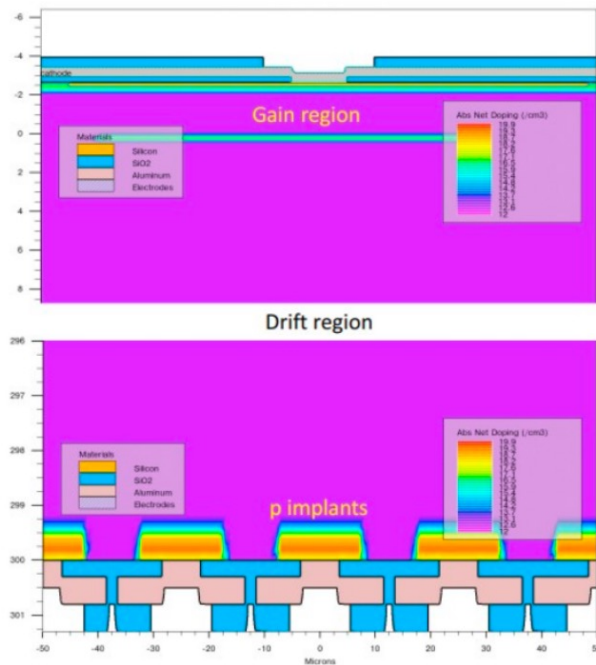
Advanced LGADs and 3D

Silicon Carbide LGADs

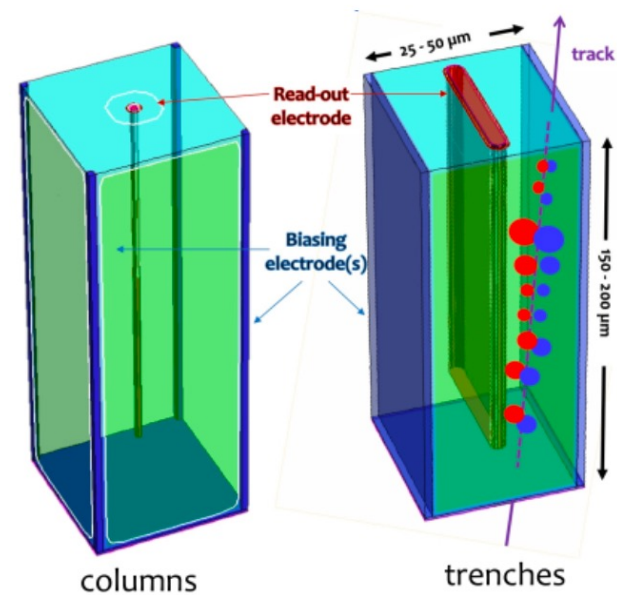


Property	Silicon	4H-SiC
Bandgap (eV)	1.12	3.27
Energy per ion pair (eV)	3.6	7.78
Dielectric constant	11.7	9.7
Breakdown field (MV cm ⁻¹)	0.3	3
Density (g cm ⁻³)	2.3	3.2
dE/dx minimum (MeV cm ⁻¹)	2.7	4.4
Atomic number Z	14	~10
Electron mobility (cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹) at 300K	1300	800-1000
Hole mobility	460	115
Saturated electron velocity (10 ⁷ cm s ⁻¹)	1	2
Threshold displacement energy (eV)	13-20	22-35
e-h pairs per micron	80	57
Thickness for equivalent signal (μm)	1	1.57
Thermal conductivity (W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	130	370
Radiation length	9.4	8.7
Impact ionization coefficient	$\alpha_n > \alpha_p$	$\alpha_n < \alpha_p$

DS-LGAD



3D



Other technologies

- **Monolithic**

- Many studies ongoing
- State-of-the-art results from MALTA show $< 2\text{ns}$ time resolution: suitable for e^+e^- colliders
- FASTPIX dedicated sensors optimizations achieve a time resolution of 120ps

- **Induced current**

- Same sensor as a traditional silicon detector but utilizes small pixel pitch and 3D integration (3DIC) techniques to create a low-capacitance pixel unit cell and readout chain
 - Allows the detection of the induced current at the readout electrode
 - Very fast rising edge (15ps) and angle of incidence information

Electronics

- While redout prototypes for the timing detectors at the HL-LHC upgrades have demonstrated their required performance, applying similar techniques to **4D trackers present several challenges:**
 - High granularity → **ASICs with smaller pixel sizes**, maintaining power consumption
 - Including the required electronics for timing extraction (TDCs and memories) in pixel pitches of $O(10\mu\text{m})$ → **adoption of deeper low power and fast nodes beyond 65nm**
 - The entire pixel electronics will need to be designed with **low power techniques and novel timing extraction architectures**
 - High luminosity hadron colliders will require trackers to survive in **extreme radiation environments**

4D Tracking layout

- A major next step towards 4D tracking at future colliders is the study of **how to best combine timing with spatial information**
- Fine spatial resolution demands towards small pixels with low material budget and power may make it impractical to instrument finest timing capabilities on all layers → **4D trackers with a different balance of spatial/timing resolution may lead to an overall optimal design**
 - Alternating spatial with timing layers, or 4D with 3D layers, or coarse/fine timing
 - More layers with coarser timing vs fast-timing layers
- Physics drivers: tracking/b-btagging, BIB (inner layers) vs LLP and TOF (outer layers)