

Experience with LGAD sensor development for CMS ETL

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The Large Hadron Collider



- Currently accelerates protons to 6.8 TeV - Collides ~ 10^{11} protons per bunch every 25 ns
- Collisions occur at 4 points (detectors) along the LHC



- We measure many particles of varying energies, flavors, charges, and types
- Actively preparing a massive upgrade for the High Luminosity-LHC era

• CMS is a general purpose detector and optimized to measure a wide range of particles





The HL-LHC challenge

- HL-LHC will deliver 3-4 times more instantaneous luminosity - Causing enhanced pileup
- Aiming to have 10x more data by 2040
- CMS has to be upgraded



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CMS Average Pileup (pp, \sqrt{s} =13 TeV)





The Mip Timing Detector



Endcap Timing Layers (ETL) LGADs

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The MTD Endcap Timing Layer





- 2 disks at each endcap: 2 hits per track
- Single-hit resolution $< 50 \text{ ps} \rightarrow \text{track resolution} < 35 \text{ ps}$
- Will need ~8000 modules covering ~14 m²
 - **Novel Low Gain Avalanche Diodes (LGAD) sensor**
 - Novel ASIC readout chip (ETROC)

Low Gain Avalanche Detectors

- High occupancy & radiation
 → Highly granular silicon detector
- LGADs: novel ultra-fast silicon detectors
 - Moderate internal gain (10-30)
 - Thin (50 micron depletion region)
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Impact of radiation

- Expect some areas of the detector get a dose up to $3x10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$
- Throughout the lifetime of ETL we will need to increase the bias voltage to compensate and maintain nominal time resolution
 - Can we just keep doing this?
 - No, the sensors will die
- - Left behind a hole in the sensor







LGAD Single Event Burnouts

- When operated at high fields $\sim 11.5 \text{ V/}\mu\text{m}$ LGADs are susceptible to single event burnout (SEBs)
 - Active area of study
 - Low rate results (38th RD50)
 - High rate results (TREDI 2022)
 - ATLAS results (TREDI 2023)
- Death tends to leave "cross" shape crater where charge particle track points
 - Not always found (different levels of severity?)
- Death has interesting ringing waveforms

For 20 µm thick sensor expect death at ~230 V







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LGAD Readout Electronics ETROC1





Building the Full System

Backend DAQ KCU 105

Optical fiber connecting Backend and Frontend

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Wire bonded ETROC1 System Prototype

- Full system did not work out of the box
 - System is very sensitive to thermal and pickup noise
- After appropriate modifications to module design we now achieve sufficient performance

90 ps line



9 ps line

ETL front end power board





Bump bonded ETROC2 System Prototype Wire bonded ETROC2 System Prototype

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- Observe decrease noise for bump bonded devices vs. wire bonded (~50%)







4D tracking research



- The CMS ETL is a stepping stone to 4D trackers
- AC-coupled LGADs for the ePIC detector
- Need to push the limit of 4D trackers for future colliders



Summary

- The upgrade for HL-LHC is fast approaching
- Endcap timing layer will use LGADs readout by the novel ETROC
- Overcame many challenges and well positioned for production
- Timing detectors have a bright future
- Thank you!









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LHC Timeline



We are here





Fermilab 4D-trackers test beam infrastructure

- Permanent setup in FNAL test beam facility (FTBF)
 - Movable: slide in and out of beamline as needed, parasitic use of beam
 - Environmental controls: sensor temperature (-25 C to 20 C), and humidity, monitoring
 - Time reference with ~ 10 ps resolution (MCP)
 - DAQ: high bandwidth, high ADC resolution 8-channel scope
 - Record 20k events during 4 s spill,
 - Tracker with ~5 µm resolution
- Developed readout boards for the characterization of LGADs
 - Without complex ASIC and DAQ





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of beam Id humidity, monitoring

Cold box

(5 LGAD slots)

LV, motor stage

control, thermal

HV

monitoring

High BW

Scope

AINL

Multiplexer



Burnout in PIN diode Gamma-irradiated HPK PIN diode (50 micron)







High-rate survival demonstration

- Next performed a test beam to replicate SEB death for 20 sensors
- Needed to expose sensors to emulate lifetime exposure levels
- Bottom line can not operate 50 µm thick sensor above 550 V





Module assembly using a gantry



Step 1: Apply film to module PCB



