The ATLAS upgrade and the contribution of the Laboratory for Testing of Semiconductor Particle Detectors

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- 4) The ATLAS ITk Strips
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High-Luminosity LHC project



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High-Luminosity LHC project



- HL-LHC will deliver 200 proton-proton interactions per bunch crossing at the maximal peak luminosity of 7.5 × 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹.
 - Total integrated luminosity will reach the value of **4000** fb⁻¹.
 - Significantly increased radiation damage of detector components (radiation hardness of ID PIX ~ 400 fb-1, ID SCT ~ 700 fb-1, IBL ~ 850 fb-1).
- ATLAS upgrade projects for HL-LHC will be installed during LS3, between years 2026 and 2030.

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High-Luminosity LHC project

Upgrade of:

1) Experiments:

- · Cooling systems,
- Four major experiments ATLAS, ALICE, CMS, and LHCb,
- Electronics and DAQ (read-out),
- Tracking and reconstruction systems.

2) Accelerator:

- Superconducting cavities,
- Magnets in the interaction regions (Nb-Ti → Nb₃Sn),
- Cooling systems,
- Collimators,
- Trigger systems,
- Electronics and DAQ (read-out),...



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ATLAS upgrade



ATLAS upgrade

- 1) Inner Tracker (ITk) Pixels and Strips
 - complete replacement of inner detector by all-silicon ITk
- 2) High-Granularity Timing Detector
 - covering 2.4 < $|\eta|$ < 4, time resolution of of 30 to 50 ps, Si LGADs
- 3) Liquid Argon Calorimeter and Tile Calorimeter
 - complete replacement of readout and powering el., individual readout of \sim 200 k cells for every bunch crossing, providing info to trigger

4) Muon Spectrometer

- new on-detector el. for resistive plate chamber (RPC), thin-gap chambers (TGC), and muon drift tubes (MDT), new layer of RPCs and MDTs
- 5) Luminosity detectors
 - upgrade of Luminosity Cherenkov Integrating Detector (LUCID), new luminosity info from HGTD, other new detectors
- 6) TDAQ System and HL-LHC Computing
 - readout rate of 1 MHz (x 10 current) requires a new architecture with L0 trigger based on calorimeter and muon system, 50 Tb/s as input

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ATLAS Inner Tracker (ITk)



ATLAS Inner Detector will be completely replaced by the new all-silicon ATLAS Inner Tracker

- higher (~ 10 times) radiation hardness sufficient to withstand HL-LHC conditions,
- extended η coverage (| $\eta|$ < 2,5 $_{\rightarrow}$ | $\eta|$ < 4),
- pixel detector with 13 m² and 5B channels,
- strip detector \rightarrow the active area will be increased from 60 m² to 160 m² with 60M channels.

ATLAS Inner Tracker (ITk) - layout



- All-silicon system
- Increased granularity to keep <1% occupancy
 - Pixel: 50x400 (μm²) → 50x50 (μm²) : 1/8
 - Strip (length) : 128 mm \rightarrow 24 mm : 1/5
- Wide coverage in η : 2.5 \rightarrow 4.0

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ATLAS ITk – material budget

- Sufficient reduction of material:
 - CO₂ cooling with thin titanium pipes.
 - Low mass carbon structures.
 - Minimizing material in modules using thin Si layers.
 - Reducing cabling by serial powering and data sharing for pixels.



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ATLAS ITk Strip

General features:

- Four layers of barrel and two six-disk endcaps.
- Six types of endcap sensors and two types of barrel sensors.
- 18k modules

Sensors:

- Strip pitch ~75 µm
- Total Fluence: 1,1E15 neq/cm²
- Total Ionizing Dose: up to 53.2 Mrad

Production:

- Sensors: in production
- Hybris and modules: in pre-production
- Mechanics: in production





Module: strip silicon sensor + hybrid with chips + power board (everything is glued and wire-bonded together)

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ATLAS ITk Strips barrels

4 barrel layers

- barrels consist of 392 double sided staves
- 14 modules/stave/side
- 10976 modules (sensor + electronics)
- Two types of ~ 9.7 cm x 9.7 cm sensors:
 - outer 2 layers: Long Strips (LS)
 - inner 2 layers: Short Strips (SS)



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ATLAS ITk Strip endcaps

Endcaps:

- 2 endcaps
- 6 disks per endcap
- 32 double-sided petals per disk
- 6 modules per petal-side
- => 4608 modules

Petal:

- 6 sensor geometries
- R0,R1,R2 one sensor / module
- R3, R4, R5 two sensors / module
- strip length: 1.4 6 cm



Petal





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ATLAS ITk Strip - sensors

Strips implanted on p-type silicon bulk (n+-in-p)

- single sided, AC coupled, produced by Hamanatsu Photonics (Japan)
- 320 μm thick (active thickness 300 μm)
- full depletion voltage VFD ~280 V (specifications VFD < 350 V)
- 8 sensor geometries:
 - 2 for the barrel, 75.5 µm strip pitch
 - 6 for the end-caps, trapezoidal + arc, 70 to 80 µm pitch
- one sensor per 6 inch wafer + test structures
- spatial resolution
 - $\sim 20 \ \mu m$
- time resolution
 - ~ 3 ns
- Barrel strip length: 2.41 and 4.83 cm
- Endcap strip length: 1.5 6 cm
- Barrel strip pitch: 75.5 µm
- Endcap strip pitch: $70 80 \ \mu m$





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ATLAS ITk Strip - sensors

- production at HPK started in 2021 and will be finished in 2025
- totally ~ 24 000 sensors will be delivered
- ~ 82% already delivered (following the original plan, almost 20 000 sensors already delivered)



Accumulated number of sensors received

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QC main sensor testing

 Upon delivery, ATLAS performs detailed measurements of sensors to monitor quality of all fabricated devices to ensure that their characteristics are within specifications defined by the ATLAS collaboration

• QC tests

- 1) Visual Inspection and Visual Capture tests,
- 2) Mechanical tests (bow and thickness),
- 3) Current-voltage (IV),
- 4) Capacitance-voltage (CV),
- 5) Leakage Current Stability: 10%-20% samples,
- 6) Full Strip Tests: 2%-5% samples.

QC sensor testing sites

- 1. KEK/Tsukuba, Japan,
- 2. SCIPP, California, USA,
- 3. Univeristy of Cambridge, UK,
- 4. Queen Mary University in London, UK,
- 5. FZU Prague, CZ,
- 6. SFU/TRIUMF Vancouver, Canada,
- 7. Carleton University, Canada.





Leakage cuurent stability setup







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QC main sensor testing - FZU

FZU is responsible for QC testing of one half of all EC sensors (~ **4500** sensors). Currently, testing of almost **4000** sensors successfully finished.















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ATLAS ITk Strip – rejection and recovery

- very low rejection rate ~ 3 %
- strong correlation with high static charge measured on sensors and electric tests failures
- big part of failed sensors can be recovered with different treatments:
 - 1) UV-A (315-400 nm) light setups with typical exposure between 2 and 8 hours,
 - 2) UV-C (100-280 nm) light setups with typical exposure of 60 seconds,
 - **3) ionizing air blowers** with typical exposure of a few minutes up to 30 minutes,
 - 4) High-temperature (160 °C) exposure ("**baking**") of sensors in an oven for more than 16 hours





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QA chips testing

- structures sampled from batches of wafers
- irradiated with:
 - up to 1.6e15 neq/cm² neutrons at TRIGA reactor in Ljubljana + TID to 660 kGy with \(\chi from 60\)Co source in UJP Prague
 - protons at CYRIC(KEK) (70 MeV) or Birmingham (27 MeV)
 - CSNS (70 MeV protons) Dongguan, China, is being qualified
- various parameters and tests are measured:
 - Charge Collection efficiency,
 - Vbd (Breakdown voltage),
 - Rint (Internal resistance),
 - PTP (Punch through protection),
 - Cint (Internal capacitance)
 - ...
- A few imperfect batches were identified and had to be rejected.
- QA testing sites:
- 1) FZU Prague,
- 2) JSI Ljubljana Slovenia,
- 3) Birmigham UK,
- 4) Toronto Canada,
- 5) Valencia Spain,
- 6) Barcelona Spain.



Mini strip detector

Test chip



UJP γ source



Irradiated testchips in the housing

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QA chips testing - FZU

In FZU, around **700** testchips were **y** irradiated and around **150** were measured up to now. FZU is the only testing site that performs both QC and QA measurements.





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Module production

- starting production for barrel LS and endcap modules
 - silicon sensor + readout electronics + power control
 - precision work:
 - parts need to be positioned within 10 μm,
 - the glue thickness controlled with 50 μm accuracy,
 - wire-bonding
- modules are mounted ("loaded") to stave and petal cores at loading sites
 - again a high precision module positioning
 - wire-bonding
- staves and petals will be then assembled into barrels and endcaps at CERN, Nikhef, and DESY

Stave loading – mounting modules on cores



Petal loading system



Long Strips barrel module (2 rows of strips):



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Module production in MFF UK

- Prague is responsible for module assembly and testing of ~ 500 ITk strip modules (R2 and R4 EC types)
- reception of module components (MFF/FZU), assembly and wire bonding (Argotech), final QC testing and shippment to IFIC Valencia
- thermal cycling of modules electrical tests + study of module bow after thermal cycling
- · preparation of technical drawings for new module metrology procedures
- building of a new clean room





Module assembly



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Module production – cold noise

- First observed on SS modules when thermal cycling to detector operating temperatures (-35 °C) ~ June 2022.
- Vibrations of capacitors on module powerboard were transfered to sensor via the frozen glue found as a source of cold noise.
 - Using an alternative glue for module assembly removes fully the cold noise for LS modules.
 - For SS modules works also an alternative glue + interposers integration.
- End-cap modules **do not see** this problem.

After a hard work of the whole community this problem is fixed and cold noise is not a barrier for module production anymore.



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Module production – cracking

- Discovered ~ May 2023 in sensors while thermal cycling modules loaded to staves/petals.
- Different thermal expansion of flexes, sensors, and glue causes stress.

Cracks on barrel modules



Mitigation: Option#1: Hysol Hysol (rigid) • Rigid Hysol glue • Simulation predicts ~ 50 % stress reduction. • After building testing staves and

petals, some improvement observed, but issue not solved completely

Peak stress

• It is not the solution



Option#2: Interposers



- Add soft glue + kapton under flexes
- Simulation predicts ~ 95% stress reduction.
- After building testing staves and petals **no cracks** seen down to -70°C.



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Flexes Stiff Glue

Sensor Soft Glue Stave

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Irradiation and testbeam campaigns

- FZU group part of many irradiation and testbeam campaigns related to ATLAS ITk upgrade
 - \rightarrow a huge amount of work
- Irradiation of ITk strip modules at CERN IRRAD and FNAL(USA) protons
- DESY testbeams electrons
- CERN SPS testbeam protons
- Irradiations of ITk strip components by ⁶⁰Co source gammas



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Global structures

Global structures are mostly Carbon Fibre

- the first endcap structure finished, the second in production
- 4 barrel cylinders in production



Barrel cylinder with mounting brackets



Endcap support structure

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ITk Strip - integration

Preparing for integration:

- staves inserted to barrel at CERN
- petals inserted to endcap at DESY and Nikhef
- barrel and endcaps will be integrated into ITk at CERN



ITk integration area at CERN



Stave insertion tool



Petal insertion tool

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ITk Strip – system testing

System tests to validate the full ITk Strip systems (cooling, powering, readout,....)

Barrel testing infrastructure (at CERN):

- can host up to 8 staves
- tests made with 4 preproduction staves
- demonstrated parallel readout of multiple staves at 1 MHz
- first tests with CO₂ cooling system

End-cap testing infrastructure (at DESY):

- can host up to 12 petals
- electrical services and cooling infrastructure ready
- full powering chain installed and tested
- installation of the first petal in progress



Barrel system test at CERN

Endcap system test at DESY

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Conclusion & Summary

- Building a "new" detector for operation at the HL-LHC is a challenge
 → Radiation hardness, increased granularity, low mass
- The new tracking system for the ATLAS experiment for the HL-LHC will cope with increased particle multiplicity and radiation levels
- ITk provides large acceptance, large number of points per track, high granularity, and radiation hardness with minimised material budget.
- The ITk Strip detector is progressing through production and integration
 → sensors, ASICs, modules, structures, global mechanics
- Complete ITk (Strips and Pixels) installation in the ATLAS experiment planned for 2029.

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