Strip Detectors

- First detector devices using the lithographic capabilities of microelectronics
- First Silicon detectors -- > strip detectors
- Can be found in all high energy physics experiments of the last 20 years



Principal: Silicon strip detector

- Arrangement of strip implants acting as charge collecting electrodes.
- Placed on a low doped fully depleted silicon wafer these implants form a one-dimensional array of diodes
- By connecting each of the metalized strips to a charge sensitive amplifier a position sensitive detector is built.
- Two dimensional position measurements can be achieved by applying an additional strip like doping on the wafer backside (double sided technology)

First HEP Application: NA11

- After discovery of charm (1974), τ -- lepton (1975) and beauty (1977) with lifetimes cτ ~100 µm : need fast (ns), and precise (µm) electronic tracking detectors
- strip detector for NA11 in 1981
 - 1200 strip-- diodes
 - 20 μm pitch
 - 60 μ m readout pitch
 - 24 x 36 mm² active area ~ 0.01 m²
 - position resolution \sim 5.4 μ m
 - 8 layer at the start
 - precise track reconstruction
- readout electronic: ~1m²!



Strip Module CMS



ATLAS SCT



ATLAS SCT

- 61 m² silicon, \sim 6.2 M channels
- 4088 modules, 2112 barrel (1 type), 1976 in the discs (4 different types)







CMS Si --Tracker



- $\sim 210 \text{ m}^2 \text{ Silicon}$
- 25 000 Sensors, 9.6 M channels
- 10 barrel layers, 2x 9 discs
- The largest silicon tracker ever built



CMS Tracker -- Beauty Shot



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Limits of Strip Detectors



 Deriving the point resolution from just one coordinate is not enough information to reconstruct a secondary vertex



- Pixel detectors allow track reconstruction at high particle rate without ambiguities
- Good resolution with two coordinates (depending on pixel size and charge sharing between pixels)
 - Very high channel number: complex read --out
 - Readout in active area a detector

First pixels (CCDs) in NA11/NA32: ~1983

Hybrid Pixels – "classical " Choice HEP

- The read-- out chip is mounted directly on top of the pixels (bump-- bonding)
- Each pixel has its own read-- out amplifier
- Can choose proper process for sensor and read-- out separately
- Fast read-- out and radiation-- tolerant
- ... but:
- Pixel area defined by the size of the read-- out chip
- High material budget and high power dissipation





- CMS Pixels: ~65 M channels
 100 μm x 150 μm
- ATLAS Pixels: ~80 M channels
 50 μm x 400 μm (long in z or r)
- Alice: 50 μm x 425 μm
- LHCb
- Phenix

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Hybrid Pixel Chip

FE chip



Pixel Sensor



Different sensor materials can be used: Si, CdTe, GaAs, ...

FE chip

Depending on application (tracking, single photon counting, ..)

Usually several readout chips are connected to one sensor.

Pixel cell (50µm x 425µm)

Bump Bond



sensor



MCNC-RDI x1.00k

50.0um

Industry Scaling Roadmap

10µm New generation every ~ 2 years Nominal Feature From 1970 (8 µm) to 2013 (22 5um nm) (industrial application) 1um 1µm 0.5um HEP nowadays at 130nm and 180nm Size 65nm 90nm 100nm Problem: by the time a Phys 22nm Gate technology is ready for HEP -- > Length "old" in industry standards. 10nm

1970

1980

1990



2000

2010

2020

Resolution of Tracking Detectors

- Depending on detector geometry and charge collection
- Strip pitch
- Charge sharing between strips

Simple case: all charge is collected in one strip



- Simple case: all charge is collected by one strip
- Traversing particle creates signal in hit strip
- Flat distribution along strip pitch; no area is pronounced
- ➔ Probability distribution for particle passage:

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{d} \qquad \Rightarrow \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} P(x) \, dx = 1$$

The reconstructed point is always the middle of the strip:

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} x P(x) \, dx = 0$$
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• Calculating the resolution orthogonal to the strip:

$$\sigma_x^2 = \left\langle (x - \langle x \rangle)^2 \right\rangle = \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} x^2 P(x) \, dx = \frac{d^2}{12}$$

• Resulting in a general term (also valid for wire chambers):

$$\sigma = \frac{d}{\sqrt{12}}$$

- For a silicon strip detector with a strip pitch of 80 μ m this results in a minimal resolution of ~23 μ m
- In case of charge sharing between the strip (signal size decreasing with distance to hit position)
- Resolution improved by center of gravity calculation

Charge Collection

 p^+

MIP

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Picture: U.C.DaVia

- Collected charge in a detector volume
 - important parameter which shows effects with radiation damage or other effects
 - charge induced by particles from a radioactive source, by a laser or test beam particles
 - measurement of CC in comparison to optimal value versus different parameters (CC efficiency)
 - bias voltage
 - radiation level
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Example: with 90Sr source



Signal/Noise Ratio

- Signal size for a certain input signal over the intrinsic noise of the detector
 - parameter for analog signals
 - good understanding of electrical noise needed
 - noise measurements
 - noise simulations
 - signal induced by source or laser (or test beam particles)
 - optimal S/N is larger than 20



Detection Efficiency

- **Detector efficiency** : probability to detect a transversing particle
 - should be as close to 100% as possible
 - i.e. 6 layer silicon detector with 98% efficiency per layer -- > overall tracking efficiency is below 90%
 - needs to be measured in test beam
- Cluster size : number of hit pixels/strips belonging to one track
 - usually given in unit of strips or pixels
 - depending on angle of incidence

 $\epsilon_{\text{track}} = (\epsilon_{\text{laver}})^n$

n = number of layer is tracking system





Lorentz Angle

- increase of cluster size due to Lorentz drift in a magnetic field
- Important parameter in particle physics as most tracking detectors operate in a magnetic field



Measurement in ATLAS after full installation





• as cluster size, drift velocity and depletion voltage are depending on radiation damage this changes with the accumulated irradiation (fluence)

Next Generation Tracking

- ATLAS&CMS plan for ~200 m² silicon strip detector
- Commonalities:
 - 20000 modules to be produced
 - choice of sensor technology (n-- in-- p)
 - radiation level $(10^{15} \text{ neq/cm}^2)$
- CMS:
 - modules discriminate low-- pT tracks in the FE electronics
 - hybrid is key element: Wire-- bonds from the sensors to the hybrid on the two sides
- ATLAS:
 - stave concept where silicon is directly glued onto carbon fibre 1.4 m









ATLAS and CMS Pixel Detectors

- The requirement of radiation tolerance is particularly demanding for the Inner Pixel:
 - ~16 x hit rates (occupancy)
 - 2-- 4 x better resolution needed (smaller pixel)
 - 10 x readout rates
 - >10 x radiation tolerance (new sensors and electronics needed)
 - increased forward coverage
 - less material ...
- Current pixel layout for ATLAS and CMS based on existing solutions
 - hybrid pixel approach with standard or novel sensors under investigation.
 - read-- out chips in 65 nm technology.
 - alternatives emerging
- Several more years of R&D allow the use of more performant technologies.





Example : ATLAS quad modules



New Technologies

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3D Silicon

- Both electrode types are processed inside the detector bulk
- Charge collected by implants in pixels
 - max. drift and depletion distance set by electrode spacing
 - reduced collection time and depletion voltage
 - low charge sharing
 - Iower leakage current and power dissipation
 - radiation tolerant
- First use case -- > ATLAS IBL





FE chip

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New Technologies

FE chip

Diamond Sensors

- Chemical vapor deposition (CVD) diamond
 - band gap 5.5 eV (silicon: 1.1 eV)
 - displacement energy 42 eV/atom (silicon: 15 eV)
 - only 60% as many charge carriers as silicon
 - radiation tolerant
 - low Z
- Some issues:
 - availability (only two suppliers)
 - reduced charge collection after irradiation
 - difficulties with bump bonging







New Alternative: CMOS

- Use of commercial CMOS technologies for replacement of sensor or even full hybrid (monolithic)
 - possible advantages: integration, cost, power consumption and material budget
 - currently in two experiments: DEPFET in Belle-- II and MAPS in STAR but only for moderate radiation suited
- Classical CMOS sensors:
 - typically no backside processes
 - signal charge collection mainly by diffusion
 -- > moderate radiation tolerance (diffusion is suppressed by trapping < 1015 neq/cm 2)

Main challenge for HL-- LHC: need combination of

- tolerance to displacement damage (depletion)
- integration of complex circuitry without efficiency loss
- keep using commercial technology



Monolithic = front --end electronics on same substrate as active sensor



"Classic" CMOS sensor based on diffusion Mimosa

HR/HV CMOS

- HV/HR-- CMOS: in pixel collection electrodes plus readout circuitry
- Depletion either through high voltage (HV) or high resistivity substrate (HR)
- Charge is collected by drift, good for radiation tolerance
- But: risk of coupling circuit signals into input -- > careful design required
- Being followed up by ATLAS (pixels and strip);; CMS starting to look into it
- Current results are **encouraging**
 - indication of good radiation tolerance
 - optimisation of signal and efficiency is one of next steps



Example:



A technology which could be used to build a **dream** tracker:

- fully monolithic but radiation hard
- high resolution
- thin material
- cost effective

Silicon detector size 1981 -- 2006



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Summary

- Semiconductor detectors play a central role in modern high energy and photon physics
- Used in tracking detectors for position and momentum measurements of charged particles and for reconstruction of vertices (specially pixel detectors)
- By far the most important semiconductor: Silicon, indirect band gap 1.1 eV, however: 3.6 eV necessary to form e-h pair
- Advantages Si: large yield in generated charge carriers, fine segmentation, radiation tolerant, mechanically stable, ...
- Working principle (general): diode in reverse bias (pn junction)
- Important : S/N has to be good. Noise ~1/C for systems that measure signal charge, smaller feature sizes are good. Pixel!
- Pixel detectors are used in most major current particle detectors and are planned for future experiment
- R&D for semiconductor detectors always has to be on the edge of technology







