

Upgrading the Belle II vertex detector: *The VTX project*



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- Belle II & SuperKEKB program
- Motivations & requirements for a vertex detector upgrade
- Monolithic sensor development
- Inner & outer ladders developments
- Toward a system concept

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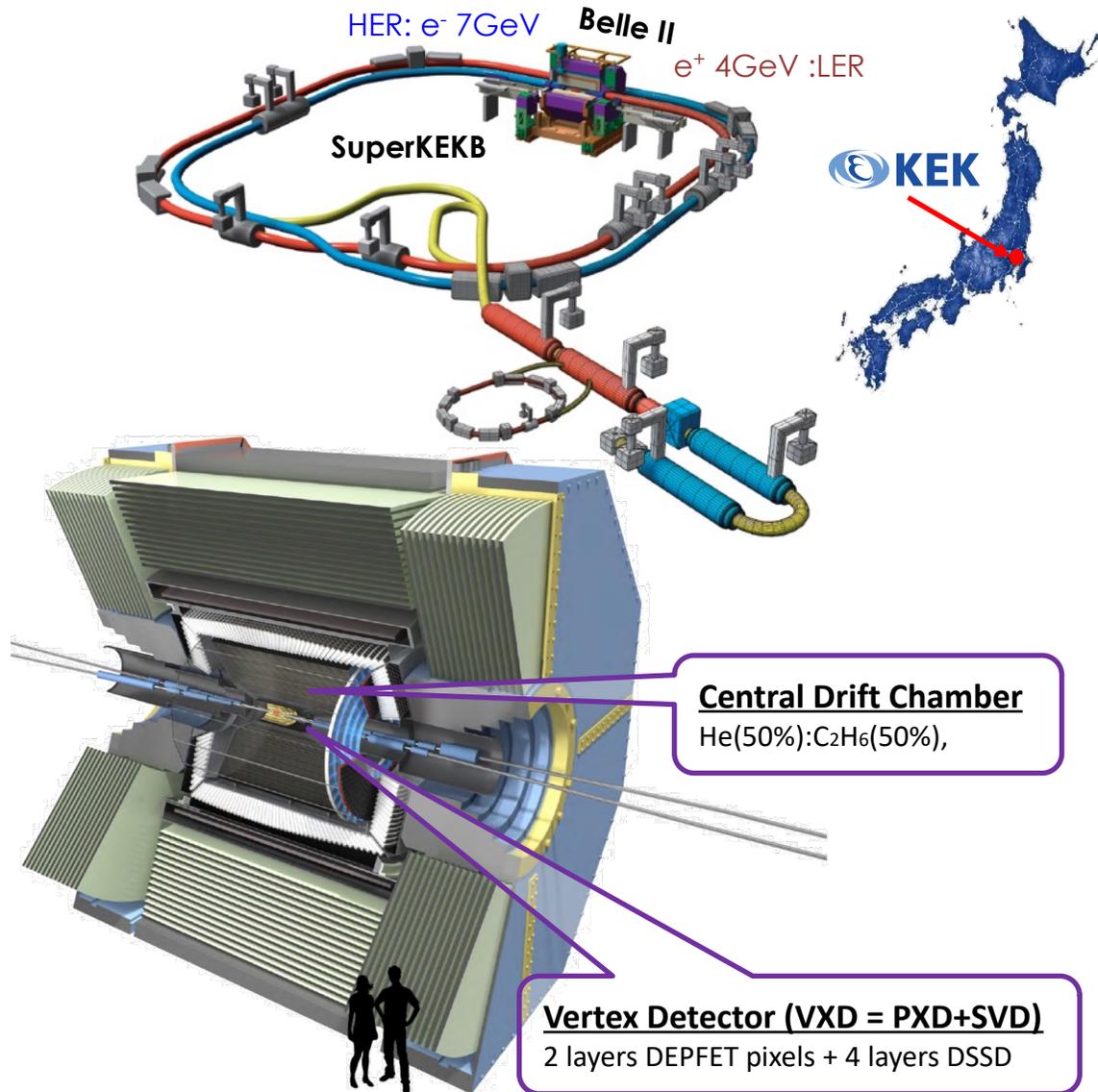
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Belle II @ SuperKEKB



Luminosity driven program to search for physics beyond Standard Model with cc , bb , $\tau\tau$ pairs

- SuperKEKB: e^+e^- collider at $\sqrt{s} = M_{Y(4S)}$
 - High-lumi reach: nano-beams + high-current
 - Challenging beam-background conditions worsening with \mathcal{L} but predictions suffer very large uncertainty
- Run I 2019-2022
 - **World record $\mathcal{L} = 4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**
 - 428 fb⁻¹ integrated with full SVD + 80% PXD
- Run II 2024-
 - LS1: accelerator improvements, 100% PXD+SVD
 - **Push toward $2 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$**
- Further planning
 - Target $6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
 - Requires interaction region improvements

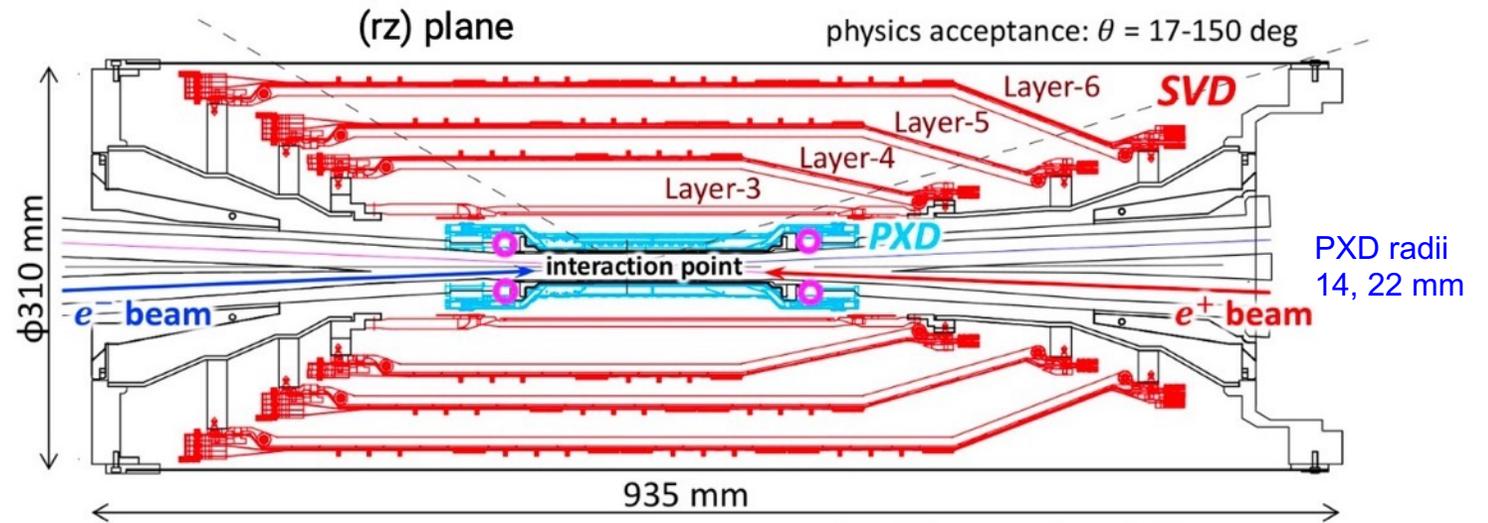
Current vertex detector: VXD

■ 2 inner layers: PXD

- DEPFET sensors
- **Pitch 50-75 μm , Integration time 20 μs**
 - Not triggered
- full silicon layer (sensor 75 μm thick)
 - material budget: 0.25 % X_0 / layer
- Occupancy limit 3%

■ 4 outer layers: SVD

- DSSD sensors
- **Time resolution 3 ns, Strip length 6 cm**
- Origami-concept, CO2 cooling
 - material budget: 0.75 % X_0 / layer
- Triggered read-out, latency limited to 5 μs
- Occupancy limit 6%



■ Excellent performance @ occupancy $\lesssim 1\%$

- Warning: PXD sensitivity to large dose from beam aborts

■ Prospect for the $10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ lumi regime

- High uncertainty on beam induced background level
- Occupancy limits may be reached (SVD-L3)

Upgrading the current VXD?

■ Motivations

- Robust tracking & vertexing for any beam-background
- Adapt to possible new Interaction region
- Possibly increase performance for physics

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- Higher space-time granularity
 - Lighter material budget
 - Higher radiation tolerance
 - Simplified services

■ Requirements

Same r-φ acceptance	14-135 mm / 17-150 deg	~1 m ²
Spatial resolution	< 15 μm	
Time-stamping	50-100 ns	
Total material budget	< 3.5% X ₀	
Triggered read-out	30 kHz, latency 10 μs	
Average hit rate	up to 120 MHz/cm ²	
Total Ionizing Dose (inner)	100 kGy / year	
NIEL fluence (inner)	5x10 ¹³ n _{eq} /cm ² / year	

- + **Strong interest for**
 - Time stamping < 5 ns
 - Inputs to L1 trigger

Includes safety x4
/ conservative scenario

■ Same sensor everywhere

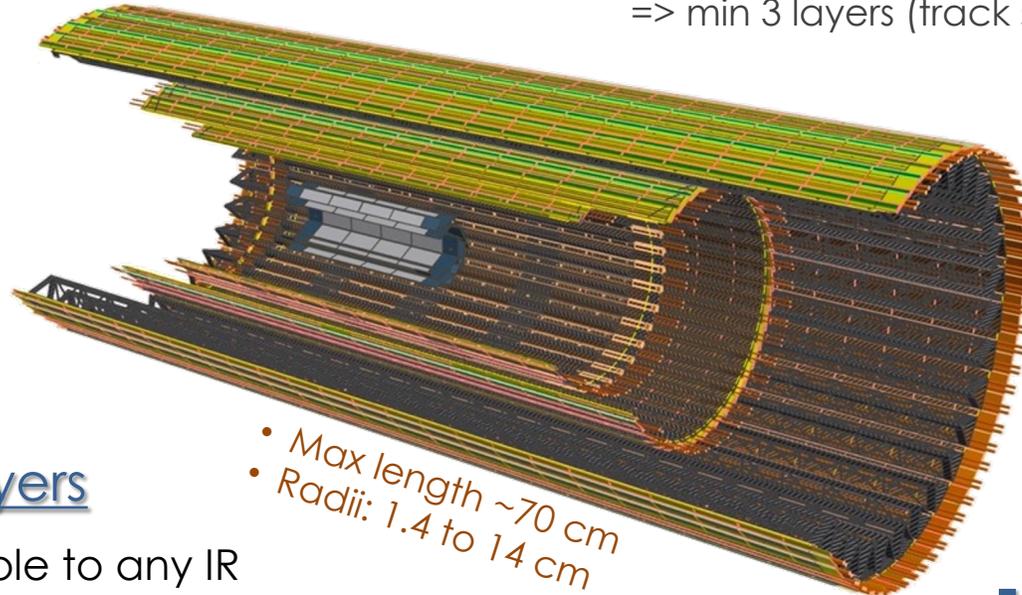
- Space-time granularity => occupancy \ll 1%
- Depleted MAPS: **OBELIX**
 - alternative SOI: DuTIP

■ Low radius inner layers

- “On” beam pipe
- Monobloc of Si: **iVTX**
- Material \lesssim 0.2 % X_0

■ Light & straight outer layers

- Straight sections => adaptable to any IR
- “traditional” approach: **oVTX**
 - sensors + flex + cooling-plate + support
- Material \lesssim 0.8% X_0



Framework Conceptual Design Report
[arXiv:2406.19421](https://arxiv.org/abs/2406.19421) [hep-ex]

■ Geometry for vertexing & tracking

- Inner layers as close to beam pipe as possible
=> 2 layers for redundancy
- Outer layers overall material budget as low as possible
=> min 3 layers (track seed) up to 4 (pattern recognition)

■ Fast track reconstruction

- Impact on High Level Trigger

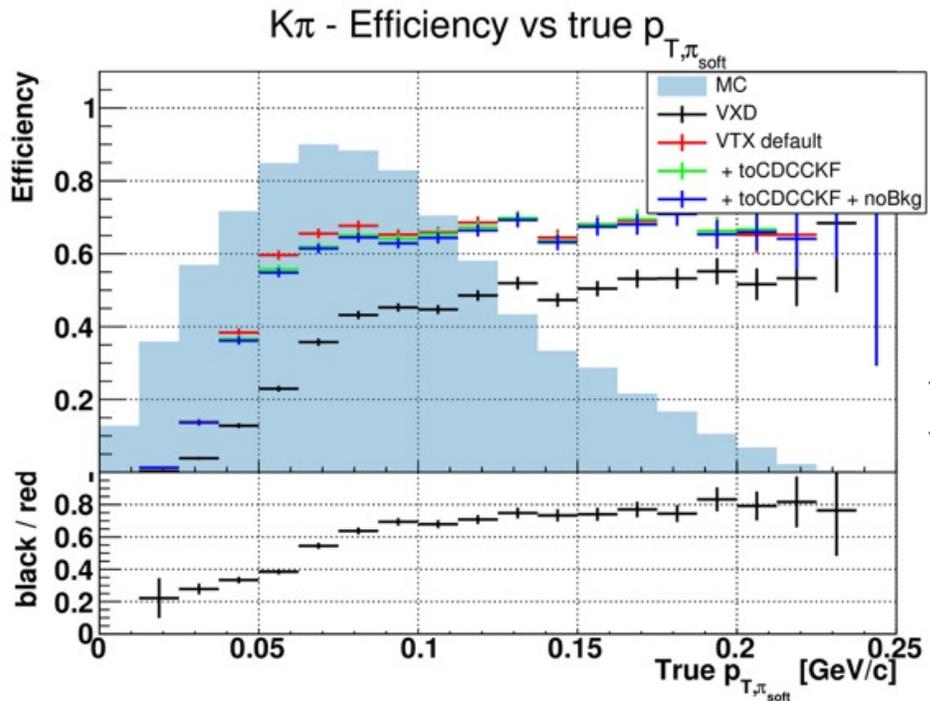
■ Simple services

- Single-side connexion whenever possible
- Simple cooling (air or liquid)

Expected VTX performance

Full simulation

- Pixel response modeled + Simplified 5 layer geometry
 - Belle II Reconstruction SW (BASF2)
 - 3 Beam-induced background scenarios
 - V1: optimistic, v2 intermediate, v3: conservative
- => occupancy reduced /200 with VTX



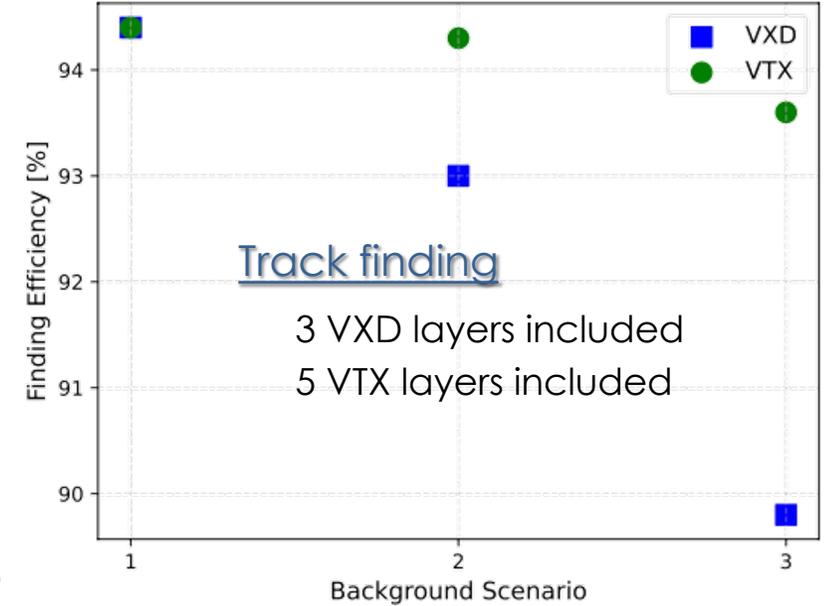
Resolutions studies

- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K_S(\pi\pi)$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K_S\pi\pi\gamma$
- B vertex resolution 20 to 50%
- Flavour tagger ~ performance

Improvement at low momentum

Soft π reconstruction in $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-}\mu^+\nu_\mu$
 $\hookrightarrow D^0\pi^-$

Finding Efficiency for Different Background Scenarios



- Strong resilience to background
- Improved performances

=> Geometry optimisation on-going
 • 6 layers

VTX sensor requirements & strategy

	Belle-II depleted MAPS	TJ-Monopix2
Sensitive area	~30x17 mm ²	17x17 mm ²
Sensitive thickness	~30 μm	25-100 μm
Pitch	30 to 40 μm	33 μm
Signal digits	1 to few bits	7 bits ToT
Integration time	50 to 100 ns	25 ns
Hit rate (average)	120 MHz/cm ²	> 100 MHz/cm ²
Triggered read-out	30 kHz, lat. 10 μs	
Power	~200 mW/cm ²	200 mW/cm ²
TID fluence	~1 MGy ~5.10 ¹⁴ n _{eq} /cm ²	1 MGy 3.10 ¹⁵ n _{eq} /cm ²
Oper. Temp.	room+	-20 °C

→ Large proto ~4 cm² chosen as pixel matrix

- TJ 180 nm CIS process
- Bonn, CERN, CPPM, CEA-IRFU
[DOI: 10.1016/j.nima.2020.164403](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2020.164403)
- Modified process for depletion => radiation tolerance
- Column-drain read-out inherited from ATLAS FE-I3



↳ Steps toward Optimised BELLE II pIXel sensor (OBELIX)

- Characterisation of TJ-Monopix2 pixel matrices
- Start design of **1st complete sensor OBELIX-1**
 - Extension of TJ-Monopix-2 pixel matrix
 - Completed with new digital logic + LDO regulator
- Characterisation of OBELIX-1
- **From OBELIX v1 to v2**
 - corrections & option choice driven by tests
 - Addition of SEU protection

<===== now

Characterisation of TJ-Monopix2

In laboratory

- Stable threshold $\sim 250 e^-$
- Temporal noise $\sim 8 e^-$
- Threshold Dispersion $\sim 17 e^-$
– after tuning
- ToT calibration

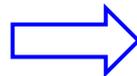
In DESY beam, 5 GeV e^-

- Campaigns: 2022, 2023, 2024
- Non irradiated sensors (Room temperature, thres. 500 e^-)
=> uniform 99% det. efficiency, $\sigma_{\text{position}} \sim 9 \mu\text{m}$

Sensors irradiated with $5 \cdot 10^{14} n_{\text{eq}}\text{cm}^{-2}$

ampli	coupling	Efficiency (%)
Normal	DC	99.99
Cascode	DC	99.79
Normal	AC (HV)	99.13
Cascode	AC (HV)	98.11

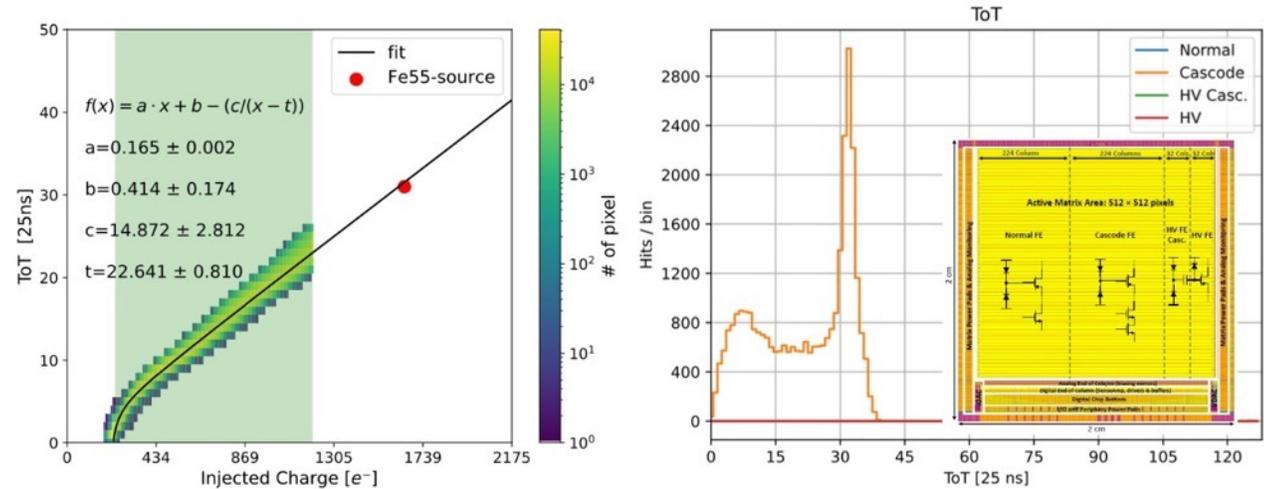
2023 result
Room temp.
Thresh. $\sim 300 e^-$



- 2024 measurements Temp $\sim 45^\circ\text{C}$
 - Different sensor
 - Threshold $\sim 300\text{-}400 e^-$
 - Det. Efficiency 90-98 %
- **High temp & fluence = difficult!**
 - Leakage current

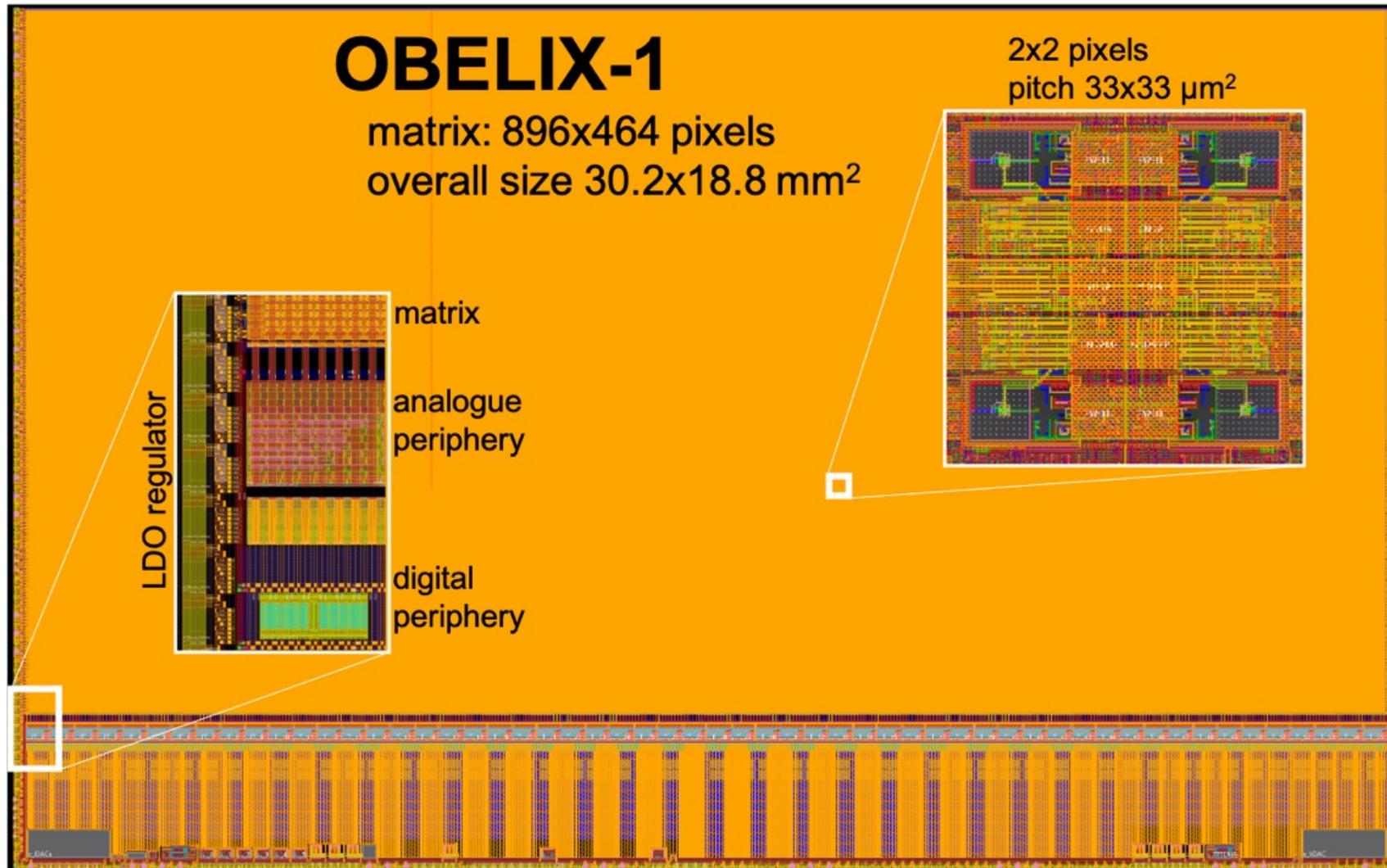
➔ Further investigation
in 2025

– Various Fluence-Temp
combinations



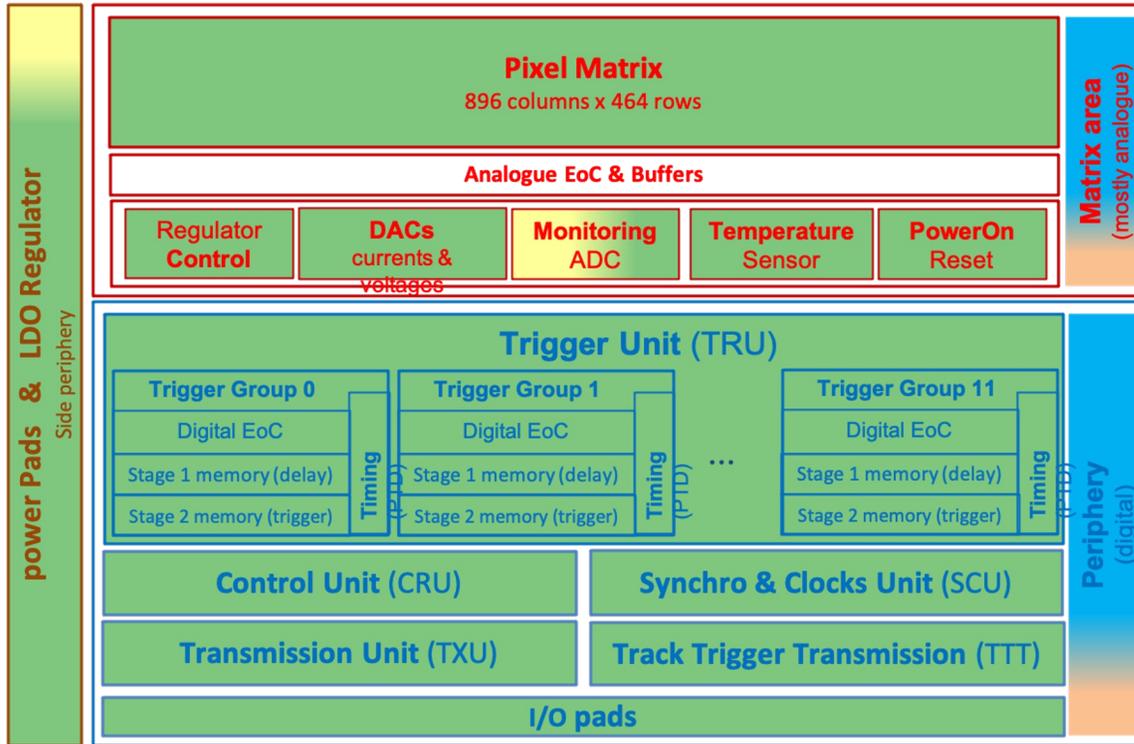
TJMP2
sensor is
divided in
4 regions
with
different
pixel FE

Design of OBELIX-1



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DOI: 10.1016/j.nima.2023.168015



Design: on-going done Simulation/Verification: on-going done

=> Fabrication in 2025

Matrix design

- Extended copy of TJ-Monopix2
- Clock for time-binning slowed down: 100ns

Powering

- LDP regulator for easier voltage distribution
- Overall power depends on hit rate: 200-300 mW/cm²

Trigger Unit

- Simulated with realistic inputs: 120 MHz/cm²
- Can sustain 800 MHz/cm² for 0.5 μs

Fine time stamping

- 6 ns achievable with end-of-column fast clock
 - Limited to hit rate > 10 MHz/cm²

Track trigger

- Reduced granularity to 8 strplets (~4 x18 mm²)
- Increased transmission rate: 30 ns

Track trigger performance

■ A software estimation

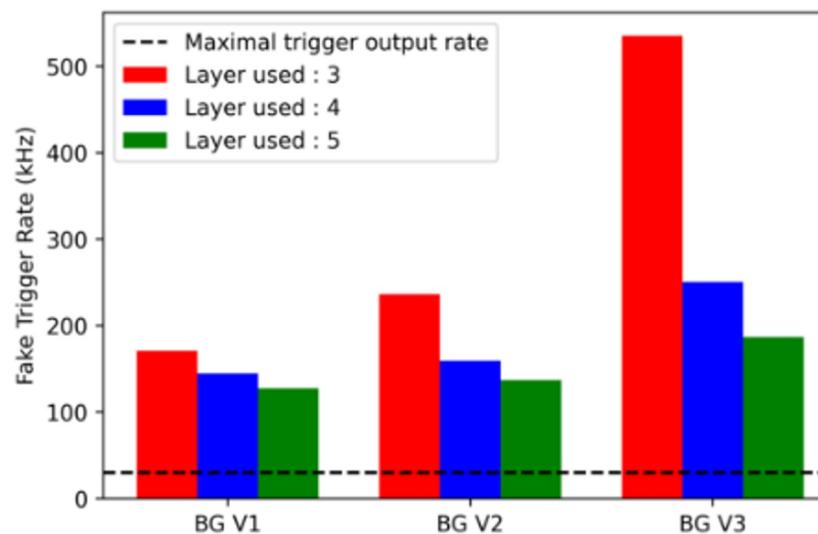
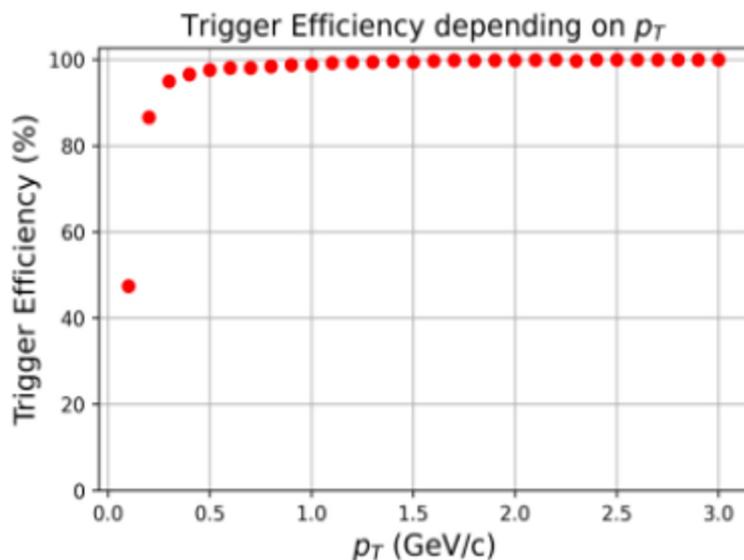
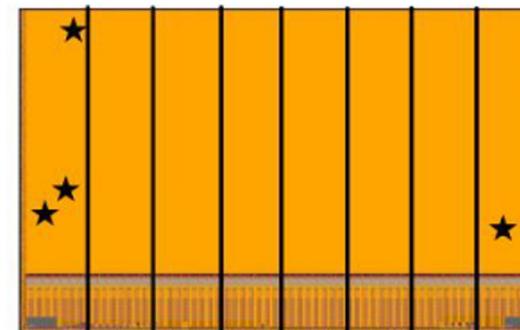
- Exploit Full 5 layer geometry simulation
- Granularity reduced to 8 triplets/sensor

■ Track reconstruction

- Training: store track hit-patterns in Look-up table
- Reco: search hit-pattern in table => track

OBELIX-1

matrix: 896x464 pixels
overall size 30.2x18.8 mm²



➤ Excellent standalone efficiency

➤ Fake track rate too high for standalone trigger

BUT ok with drift-chamber
=> improved z-resolution

iVTX: inner layer design

Self-supported all silicon module

- 4 contiguous sensors diced out of wafer => 12cm long
- Interconnected with redistribution layer (IZM-Berlin)

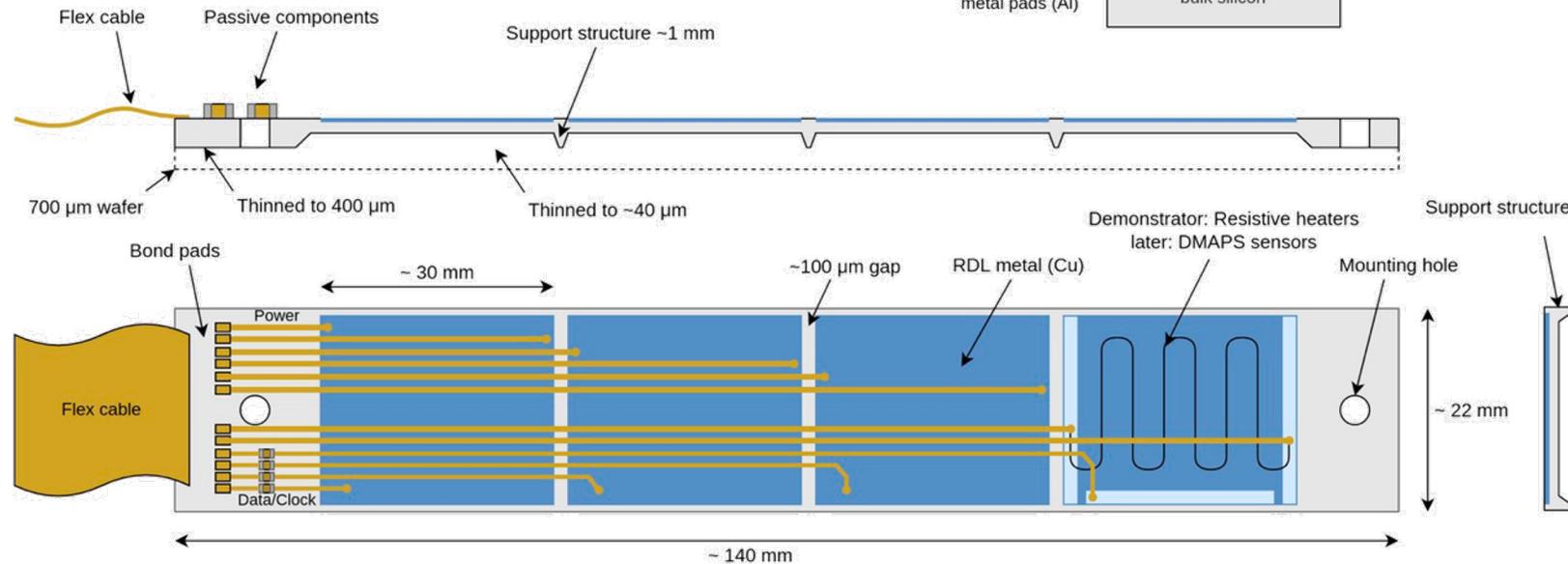
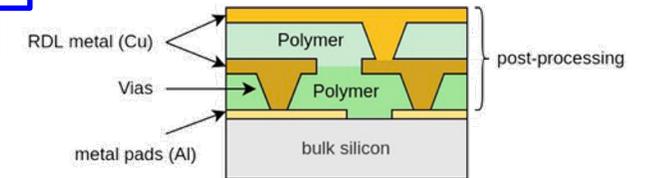
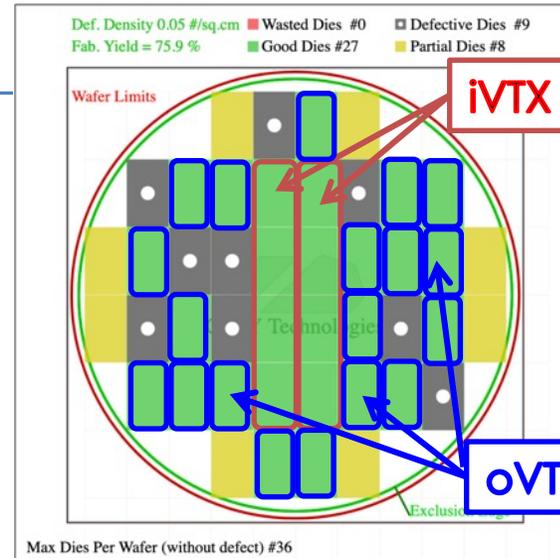
Options for cooling under study

Heterogeneous thinning

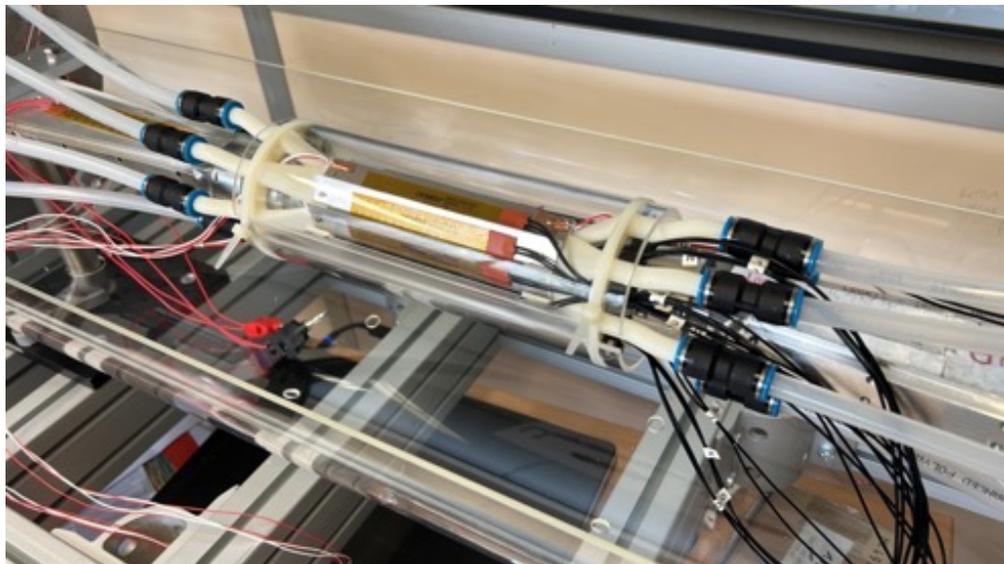
- thick edges versus thin matrix
- Favoured for air cooling
- Toperation ~45 C with large uniformity
- => minimal material ~0.1 % X_0

Uniform Si thickness + 1 cooling tube

- Material ~ 0.2 to 0.3 % X_0
- => Toperation ~25 C, uniformity OK



iVTX: Inner layer prototyping

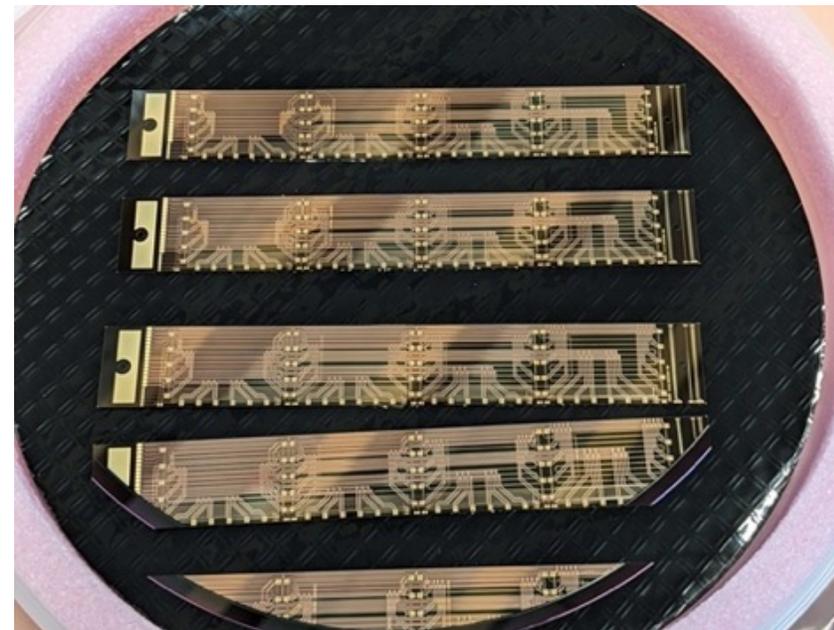


■ Instrumented wind tunnel

- Controlled air-flow, heaters, vibrations
- Allow global investigation with layer interaction

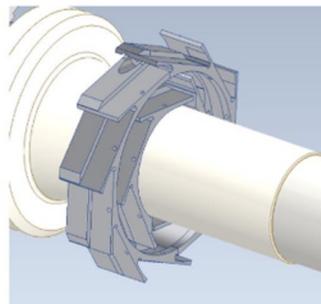
+ Investigation on support options

- On beam pipe
- From outer layers



■ First dummy wafers with redistribution layer

- Heaters integrated to reproduce OBELIX power
- Thermal & electrical test on-going



oVTX: outer layer design

■ Recipe for long and light loaders

(Inherited from ALICE-ITS2)

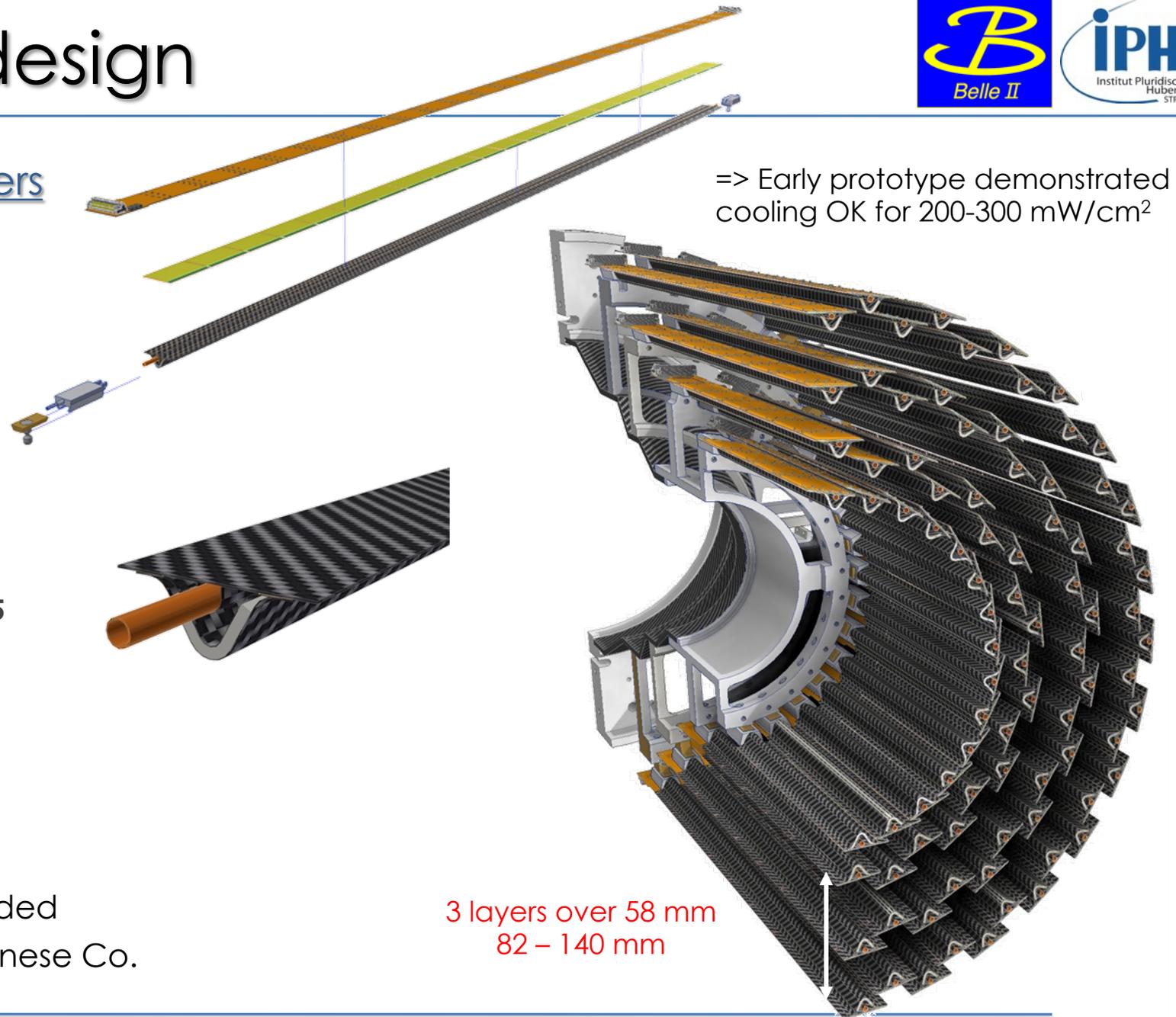
- Carbon-fiber truss support frame
- Cold-plate with 1 coolant tube
- Long-flex for power & data

■ New Omega shape support

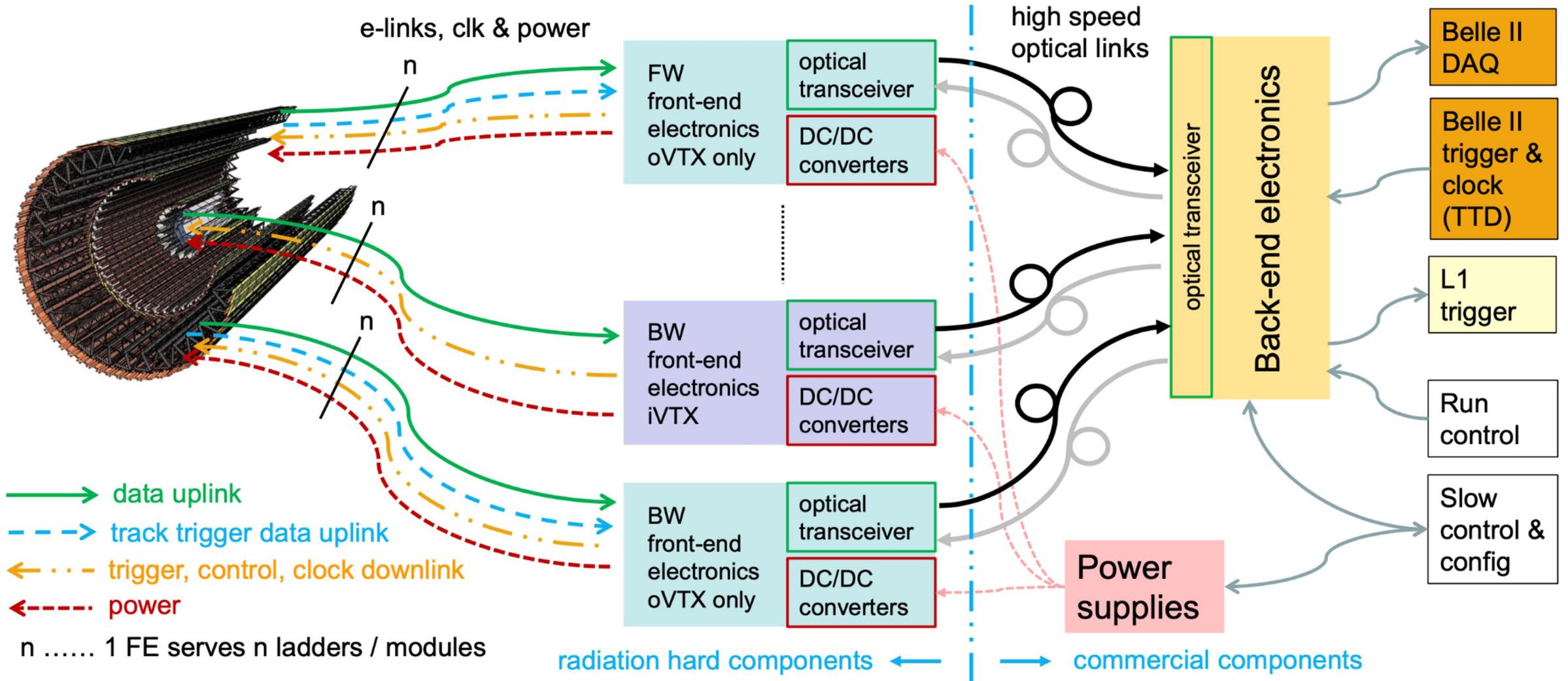
- Carbon fiber skin with rohacell core
=> way more compact / truss structure
=> **material budget ~0.45% X_0 from L4 to L5**
- Current staggering measurements & comparison with simulation

■ Flex development

- 4 to 6 aluminium layers
- Single or multiple-flex/layers not decided
- Investigating CERN workshop & Japanese Co.



DAQ system concept



Rough schedule of VTX project

■ R&D phase till 2027

- Fabrication and extensive tests of OBELIX-1 => design of final sensor OBELIX-2
- Prototyping of detection layers with OBELIX-1 => design of final iVTX and oVTX layers
- Prototyping of DAQ / Environment control systems => demonstrator
- Prototyping of mechanical support in parallel with interaction region potential change

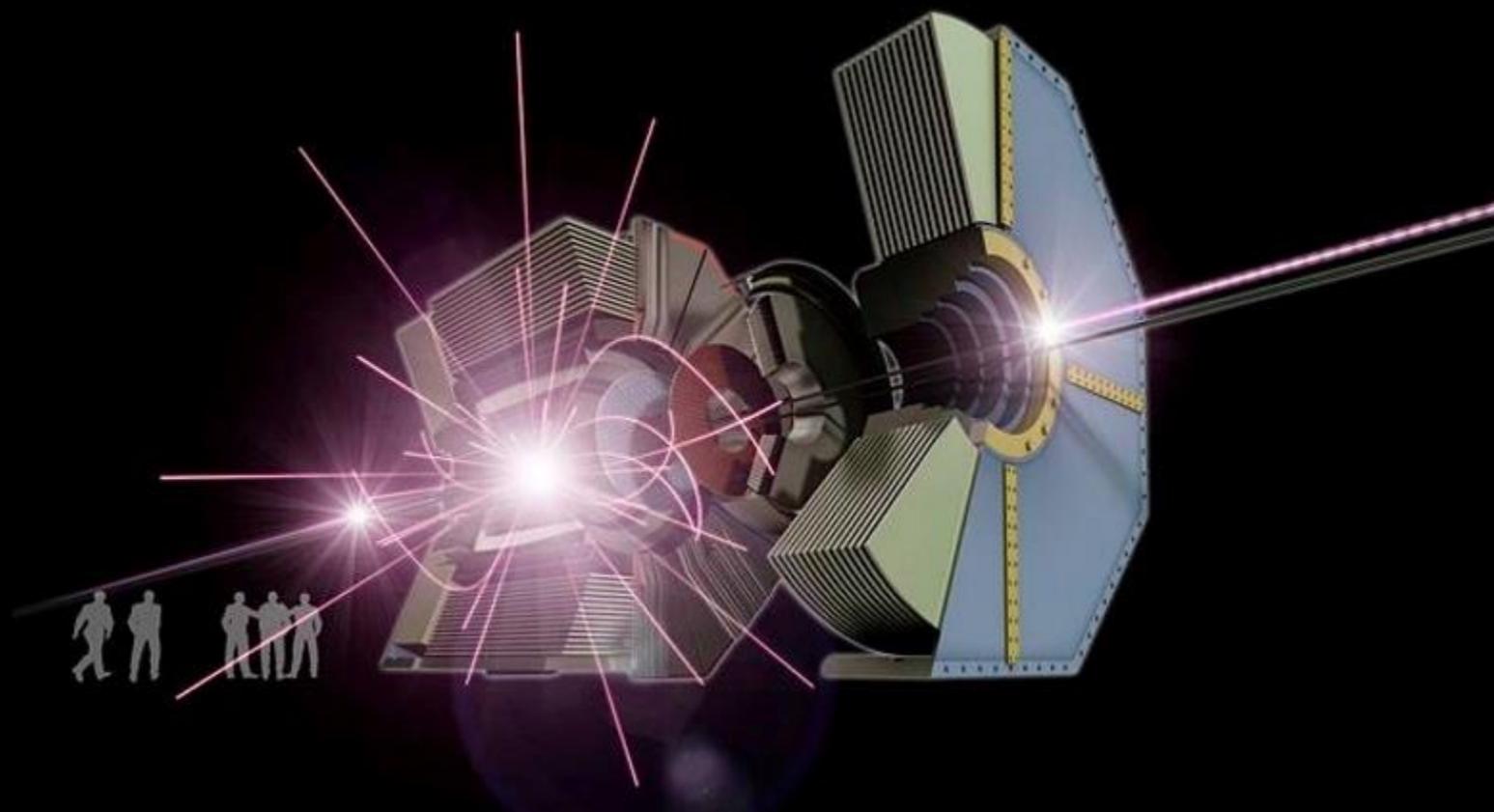
■ Construction phase from ~2027

- Classical sequence: Pre-production / Production / Installation / Commissioning

Conclusion

- The VTX is a new generation of MAPS vertex detector
 - Requirements combine: High hit rate / low material budget / low inner radius
 - Challenging operational conditions: Room temperature & Radiation tolerance
- Intense detector R&D program still for ~3 years
 - Phase transition with OBELIX-1 fab in 2025
 - Full system concept → demonstrator system (telescope / VTX sector) → In line with Detector R&D roadmap (DRD3)
 - Parallel to accelerator R&D for potential new interaction region

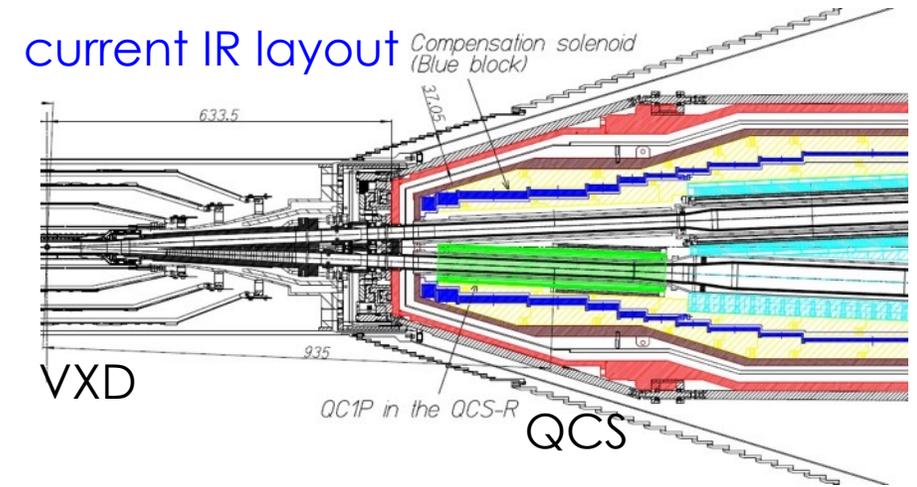
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Interaction region for higher lumi

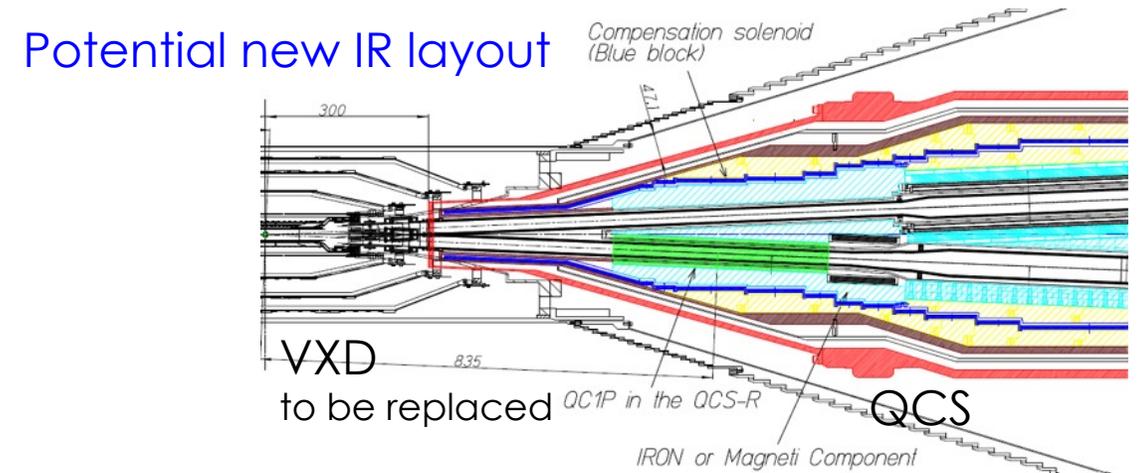
■ Current machine

- World luminosity record $4.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ (2022)
- Expected max lumi $\sim 2 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$
 - Main limit from dynamic aperture at Interaction Region (IR)

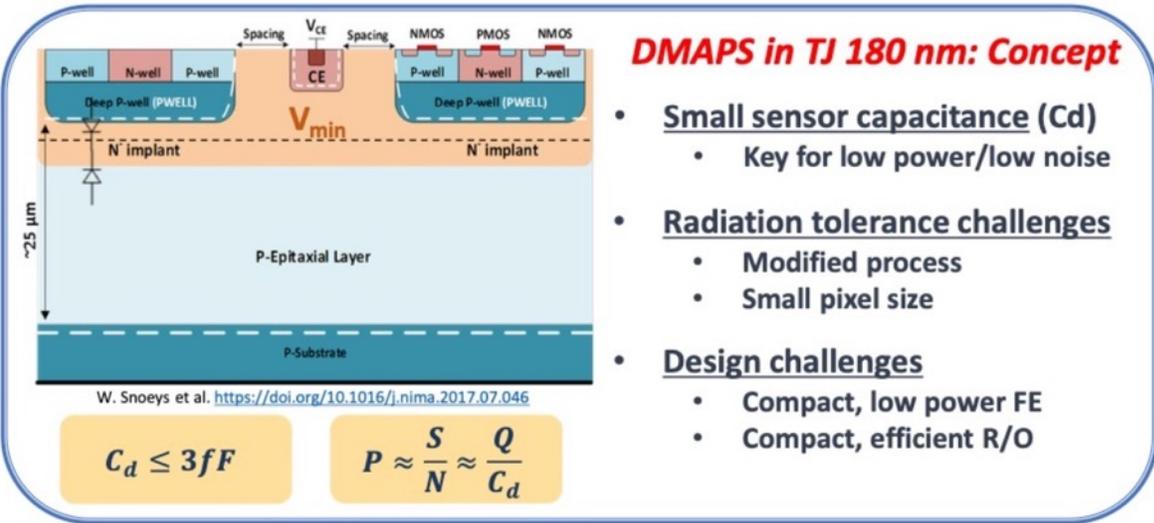


■ Potential road toward $6 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$

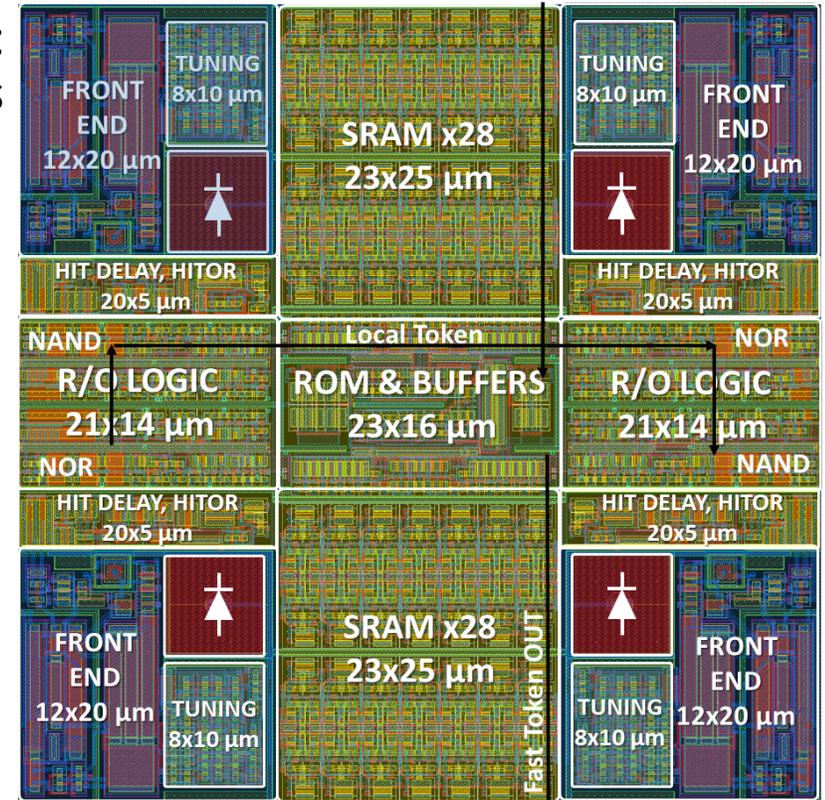
- New final focusing magnet (QCS) required
 - To increase dynamic aperture at IR
 - On-going R&D for feasibility
- **Foreseen new QCS conflicts with current VXD volume**
=> new VTX length & support



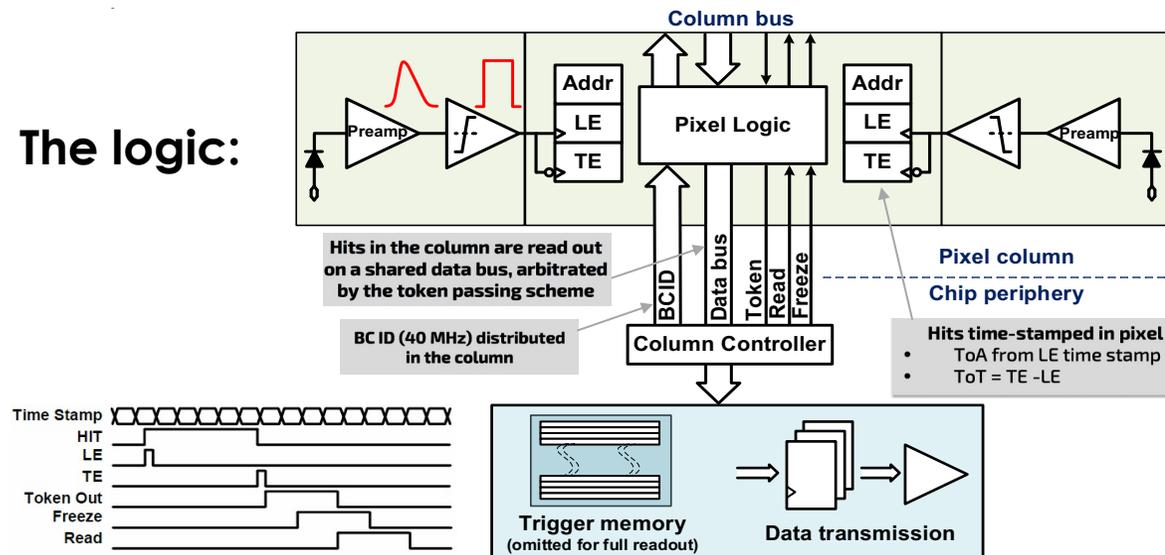
Modified process & TJ-Monopix2 details



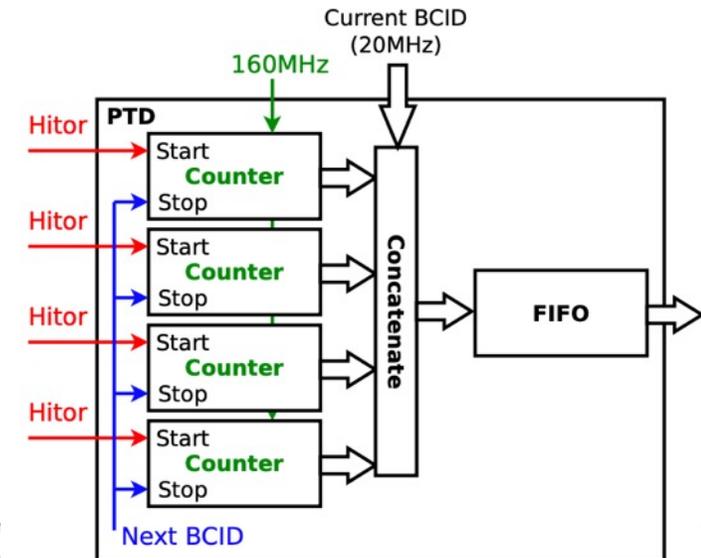
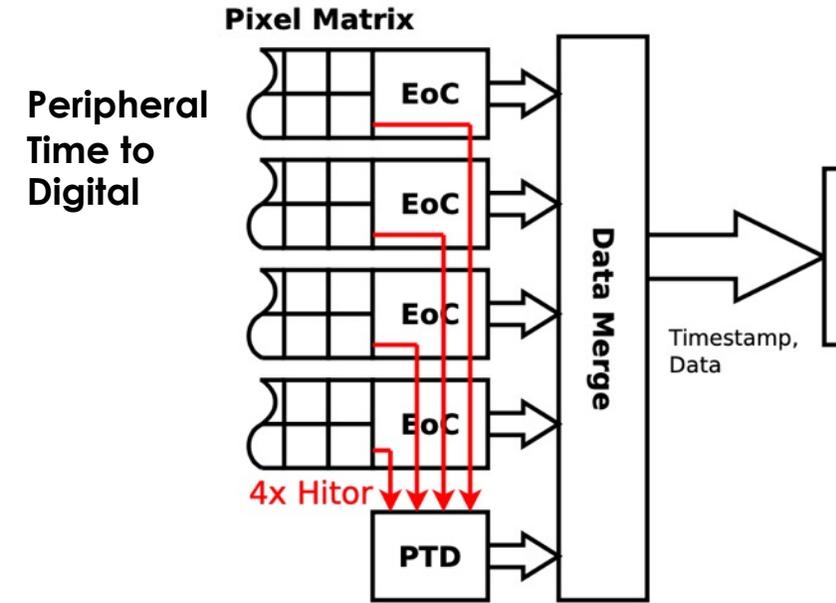
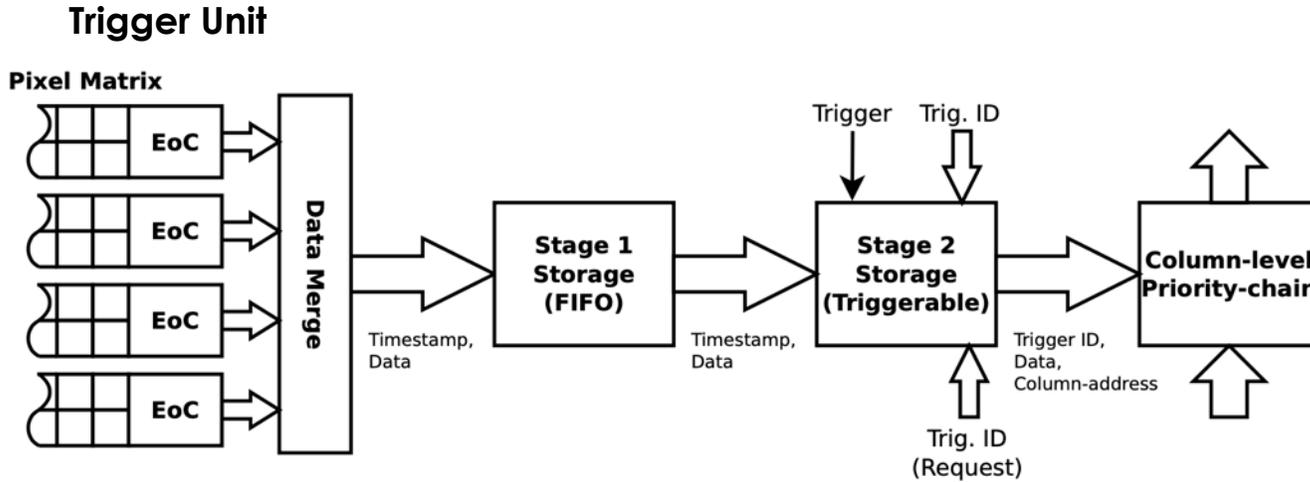
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2x2 pixels



The logic:



Logic detail within OBELIX-1



Belle II detector

Upgraded or new / Belle

