

Outer Barrel services chain characterization for the ATLAS ITk Pixel Detector

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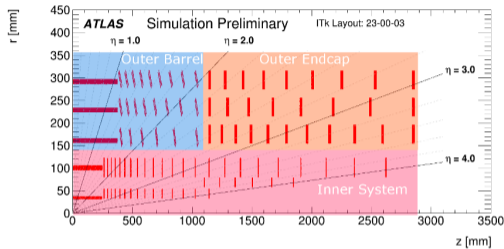
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HL-LHC & ATLAS ITk upgrade for High Luminosity



▶ HL-LHC

- ▶ Circular p-p collider, 14 TeV, 40 MHz
- ▶ ≈ 200 collisions per bunch-crossing

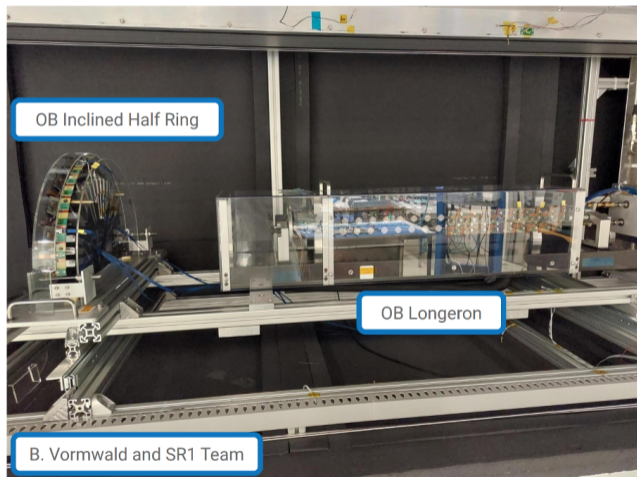
▶ ITk upgrade

- ▶ Pixel and strips part
 - ▶ High granularity
 - ▶ Radiation hard modules
 - ▶ Fast readout electronics
 - ▶ The ITk Pixel system:
 - ▶ Inner System, with flat and ring modules
 - ▶ Outer Barrel, with flat and inclined modules
 - ▶ Outer Endcap, with ring modules
- in total 5×10^9 channels
 \Rightarrow new readout system required



ATLAS ITk Outer Barrel

- ▶ 1.7 MGy at 4000 fb^{-1}
- ▶ 3 layers of flat staves and inclined rings
- ▶ 4772 quad modules, 6.94 m^2
- ▶ Output data ($\approx 2 \text{ MB/event}$) with up to $4 \times 1.28 \text{ Gb/s}$ links
- ▶ data transmission relies on data merging:
 - ▶ 2-to-2 mode for layer 2
 - ▶ 4-to-1 mode for layers 3&4

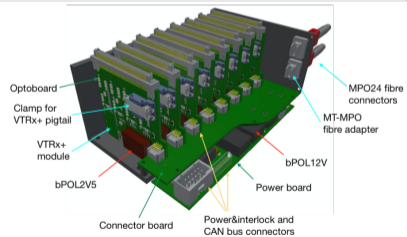
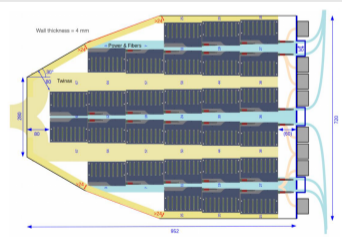
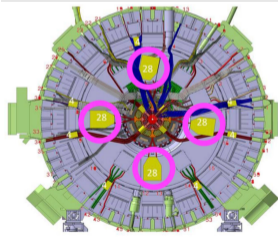
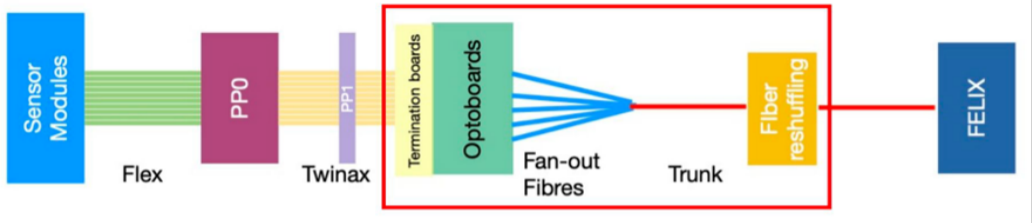


ITk Pixel data transmission chain I

- ▶ Transports detector signals from modules to readout cards in electronics room
- ▶ Routes trigger and command from readout system to detector
- ▶ Opto-electrical conversion system is key component in readout path

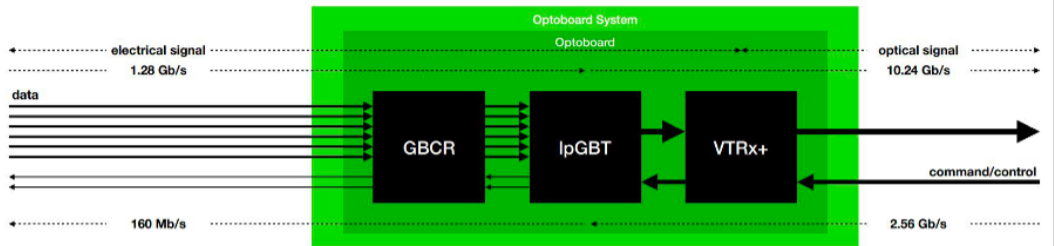


ITk Pixel readout system



The ATLAS service caverns house power supplies which deliver 9 V to the Optosystem





- ▶ Electrical signal recovery, serialisation and conversion to optical signal
- ▶ Radiation-hard components (GBCR, IpGBT and VTRx+) (estimated absorbed dose for optoboards is 150 kGy)
- ▶ Compliant with cooling and grounding and shielding specifications



Validation of data transmission chain I

Past tests:

- ▶ Tests on the single components: VTRx+, IpGBT, GBCR
- ▶ Tests of the first prototypes of the optoboards
- ▶ Different data transmission chains: from FELIX card to readout chip with different cables and connectors
- ▶ Irradiation of components of the data transmission chain
- ▶ Test of operation of the optoboard during irradiation
- ▶ Experimental verification of the powering scheme concept
- ▶ Tests and simulation of the thermal management

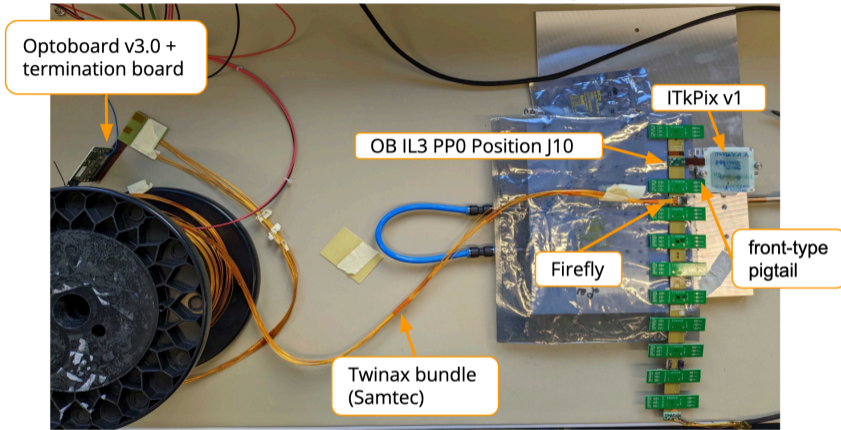


Recent tests:

- ▶ BER tests on data transmission chain with final components
 - ▶ Using PRBS7 signal
 - ▶ Pattern checker on the IpGBT can execute a BERT
 - ▶ Result is sent via optical fiber to FELIX
 - ▶ Using 64b/66b ITkPix idle signal → test on realistic data stream
- ▶ Multiple BERTs are performed, changing the parameters of the equalizer of the GBCR



Outer Barrel IL3 PP0 + Samtec bundle - Setup



First complete functioning data transmission chain:

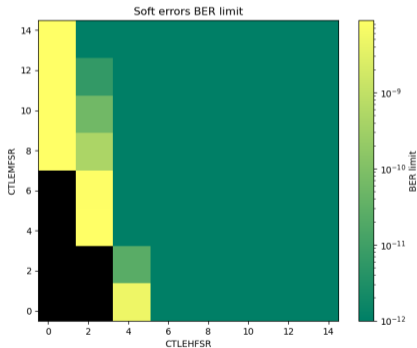
- ▶ Working communication with ITkPix v1.1 (almost final module type)
- ▶ Manually assembled 6 m long twinax bundle (10 cables) with ECUE and termination board



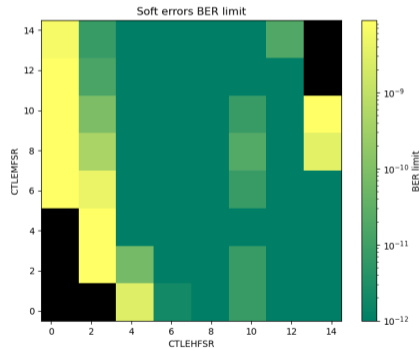
Outer Barrel IL3 PP0 + Molex/Samtec bundle - Results

BER tests with 95% CL BER limit $< 10^{-12}$ for several configurations, using 64b/66b ITkPix idle signal

Molex bundle

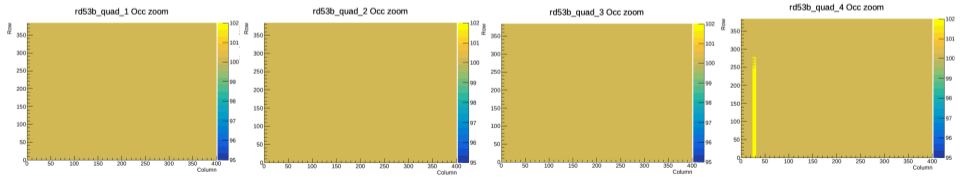


Samtec bundle



Data merging

- ▶ Space issues in the detector and data rates low enough: not every channel in the modules is individually read out
- ▶ Data merging mechanism in chip allows to get data from several FEs in one physical cable
 - ▶ ITkPix v1.1 has known issue: prevents data merging to work according to phase of the data of all FEs in the module
 - ▶ Workaround: Changing powering of individual FEs in order to change phase of the data
 - ▶ Fixed in final version of the chip



Summary and Outlook

- ▶ Almost final data transmission chain working within required BER limits
- ▶ Final version of the optoboard to arrive soon and be tested
- ▶ Final version of the readout chip fixing data merging problems

Moving towards system tests on a larger scale \Rightarrow several institutes are testing modules with the full data transmission chain

