

# Performance of diamond timing detectors after collecting 2.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>

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- ✓ Diamond as time of flight detector
- ✓ Double diamond
- ✓ Set-up at the test beam
- ✓ Results







Measures forward protons, joint project between CMS and TOTEM

In each arm:

2 stations of tracking detectors: Precise measurement of proton trajectory

1 timing station: Time-of-Flight of proton

**Vertex measurement** by timing eg.:  $\sigma_t$ =10ps  $\rightarrow \sigma_v$ =2mm

Needed time resolution depends on magnitude of pile-up,

Depending on beam optics needed resolution ranging from 10ps to 50ps

Note: Requirements for time precision are for detector package. Current timing detector package consists of 4 planes.

Bunch crossing at CMS interaction point





# CT-PPS Timing detectors



Booster Shaping amplifier

ABA

single stage voltage amplifier

Pre-amp

transconductance preamplifier

- ✓ First installation in June 2016: 4 Diamond planes
- ✓ The detectors collect 2.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data and spend some time inserted without taking data
- ✓ One plane replaced with Ultra-Fast Silicon Detectors (UFSD) during the LHC technical stop from Dec 2016 to Apr 2017
- ✓ One of the removed planes (labelled in this presentation as IP5) taken to beam test at CERN SPS Northern Experimental area (beamline H8) May 2017
- It was also characterized with radiation sources in Helsinki Institute of Physics Novemeber 2017

## **CT-PPS** Timing detectors



 ✓ Working well
 ✓ Hitmaps of installed detectors at the LHC

Hitmaps from Nicola Minafra: "CT-PPS timing and pixel detector status" <u>https://indico.cern.ch/even</u> <u>t/673941/contributions/27</u> <u>93163/</u>



# Double layer diamond detectors



Borrowed slide from talk in 5<sup>th</sup> BTTB by Tommaso Isidori: *Timing Performance of a Double Layer Diamond Detector* <u>https://indico.desy.de/in</u> <u>dico/event/16161/sessio</u> <u>n/8/contribution/33</u>

See also: Timing Performance of a Double Layer Diamond Detector, 2017 JINST 12 P03026, <u>https://doi.org/10.108</u> <u>8/1748-</u> <u>0221/12/03/P03026</u>

#### New Prototypes: "Double Diamond"





The DD signal is **compared with a signal obtained from a single scCVD diamond of twice the area** (pixel area  $1.02 \times 4.2 \text{ mm}^2$ ), and therefore its capacitance is within 10% equal to the one of the double arrangement, with a pixel of 0.55 x 4.2 mm<sup>2</sup>.

Diamonds have small dielectric constant and small capacitance (0.1 pF/mm<sup>2</sup>) ...

... More than one diamond sensors can be connected in parallel to one amplifier without degradation of the timing performance !!

# Set-up at SPS Northern experimental area



Good channel

-- Noisy channel

Dead channel

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- Sensor mounted on TOTEM hybrid
  [2] as it was installed
- ✓ Three stage amplification chain
- ✓ Signal readout with fast oscilloscope (Agilent DSO9254A)

 ✓ Signal processed offline using ROOT





- ✓ Test each channel with Sr-90
- ✓ Test full DAQ & DQM
- LV-scan (optimized for Signal to noise ratio (SNR) and MIP signal amplitude Most Probable Value (MPV))
- ✓ HV-scan (low end)
- ✓ MIP spectrum on each channel
- ✓ Coincidence with MCP as timing reference







- MIP signal amplitude spectrum fitted with
  - ✓ Exponential background
  - ✓ Signal: Landau convoluted with Gaussian
- ✓ For channels without coincidence with reference, background was significant

#### MIP spectrum



**Disclaimer**: Direct comparison of signal amplitude to reference is problematic!

- ✓ Strong dependence on amplifier settings
- $\checkmark$  SNR ratio also depends on environment, electronics and settings



- ✓ Signal amplitude (Most probable value in Landau fit) varies from 0.4 V to 0.7 V
- ✓ Boards were checked before installation, with typical signal to noise ratio SNR=40...50
- ✓ For double diamond expected same noise as for normal diamond
- Reference board had broken electronics on one channel, which injected noise to other channels
  - ✓ Might affect signal height
  - Either double diamond signal should be higher or single diamond lower
     [3]
- Maximum signal around pad 4. Is the structure in signal height significant?

#### MIP spectrum



 $\sim$ 2 MeV  $\beta$  at lab (almost MIP)

180GeV  $\pi$  MIP at beam test



#### MIP spectrum

 $\checkmark$ 

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Disclaimer: Direct comparison of signal amplitude to reference should be avoided!



Strong dependence on amplifier settings

✓ Pad 10 largest pixel on the board ✓ reduced signal amplitude due to pixel size ✓ Difference between reference and IP5 probably due to differences in the electronics



- ✓ The board removed from IP5 working properly
- ✓ Reference detectors had problems with noisy channels
- $\checkmark$  Differences could be explained by differences in the electronics
- Strange features in signal amplitude versus location not significant
  Explained by random fluctuations and pixel size
- ✓ Continue with efforts to extract time resolution
- ✓ In future beam tests: estimation of efficiency (requires tracking)

# Thank you for your attention!



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Image source: inspirobot.me



[1] TDR for CT-PPS:LHCC-2014-021; TOTEM-TDR-003; CMS-TDR-13, <u>https://cds.cern.ch/record/1753795</u>

[2] Diamond detectors for the TOTEM timing upgrade:
 2017 JINST 12 P03007, <u>https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/12/03/P03007</u>

[3] Double diamonds :
 2017 JINST 12 P03026, <u>https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/12/03/P03026</u>

#### Backup



#### Time resolution

- MCP data lost in data analysis
- Data taken with coincidence required for IP5 & reference & MCP
- Available distribution of difference of arrival time to investigated diamond (IP5) and reference
- Standard deviation = 197ps
  - If assumed identical time resolution for reference and IP5: 140ps, which is far from the expected 80ps
- Is problem with reference, IP5 or set-up in general?
- Much more analysis needed



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#### Polarization with alpha source

- Polarization (uneven accumulation • of space charge) often observed with irradiated diamonds
- Best visible with alpha source •
- Signal compared when the state let to stabilize (and diamond become polarized) and when polarization prevented by alternating HV (10s HV off, 5s stabilizing, 20s measuring)
- No strong polarization observed •
- on channels closes to beam 8±2% ۲ signal loss explained by polarization



