## Use of Allpix<sup>2</sup> in the LUXE experiment: **Digitizing the Hits of the Tracker Sub-detector**

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## In the previous presentation:

- Custom electric field functionality of Allpix<sup>2</sup> proves to be very useful.
  - After lots of efforts, the result from our simulation is now very close to the Allpix paper (2002:12602) result.
- Applied the custom electric field to particle gun relevant for LUXE tracker.
  - The cluster energy and size distribution for low energetic electron beam is markedly different from that of the high energetic signal positron.
- Progress over the last month: use the LUXE tracker energy deposition as input to Allpix<sup>2</sup>
  - Digitize the LUXE tracker hits using Allpix<sup>2</sup>.
    - Used the CDR simulation files for signal and background.
  - Look at the clusters made by high energetic positron signals with low energetic electron background.

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## Timing distribution

### From the simulation, found that the timing information of the signal and distribution are different.



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time [ns]

Combined, bkg timing shifted by -30ns

## Input to Allpix<sup>2</sup> framework:





 $\star$ Used only second chip on the first layer, first stave in the tracker (for now): Stave01  $\star$ Allpix<sup>2</sup> needs the energy deposition and the position of the hits for the simulation.

## **Result after digitization by Allpix**<sup>2</sup>



 $\bigstar$  After digitization, Allpix<sup>2</sup> gives us the clusters, cluster charge, cluster position, pixel charge etc.  $\star$ The clustering algorithm used in Allpix<sup>2</sup> is very basic:  $\bigstar$ Add all the adjacent pixels which got fired.  $\bigstar$ This may be a good starting point for us.  $\bigstar$ Complicated scenario like pixel sharing among two clusters may be worked on later.

 $\star$ If we cut on cluster charge  $\leq 1.5$  ke ★Signal efficiency 93% ★Background rejection 62%  $\star$ If we cut on cluster size  $\leq 3$ pixels ★Signal efficiency 98% ★Background rejection 32%  $\star$ Need to match the clusters with the tracks to understand which tracks are coming from the particle, which are coming from secondary interactions of the signal.





## Summary and To Do:

- Digitization of LUXE simulation on tracker are done by Allpix<sup>2</sup> framework.
  - We can exploit the cluster size and cluster charge distribution to cut on background before we even go for Kalman Filter algorithm.
  - The exact cuts need to be decided after seeing the simulation from the new samples.
- Clustering
  - Using basic clustering now, any adjacent pixels which are fired are added to the cluster.
- Challenges:
  - The digitization is slow.
  - Only one stave with couple of BXs took ~10 minutes.
  - Divide and conquer
    - Thinking of dividing the tracker into each chip and each BX.
    - submit jobs to the batch.



## Back up

## **Check the response of ALPIDE in Allpix**<sup>2</sup>

- with data.
  - We want to reproduce some of the results from the paper in order to see the response of our ALPIDE chips.
  - After reproducing the result from arXiv 2002:12602, we will produce same kind of plots from the Geant4 simulated deposited energy on the tracker.
- Why are we interested in this?
  - The paper uses an electric field based on precise TCAD simulation.
  - This field depends on many properties of the ALPIDE (e.g. doping profiles etc) which are proprietary of TowerJazz.
  - We do not yet have the E-field mesh from the TCAD simulation: hoping to get it at some point
  - In principle, if we had the doping profiles from TowerJazz, we could produce the TCAD simulation ourselves but this is even more difficult than getting the E-field itself.
  - Custom electric field in Allpix<sup>2</sup> bypasses the problem of not having precise TCAD field.
  - Started with simple linear electric field up to a certain depletion depth.
    - Move to a tailored custom-field similar to what is in the paper.

• A paper (2002:12602) written by the Allpix<sup>2</sup> developers working on CMOS monolithic pixel chip - compared the simulation





## Custom electric field

- Allpix<sup>2</sup> version 2 included the possibility of introducing a custom electric field.
- Here custom electric field can be defined using ROOT::TF3 objects: provide three functions for

 $\overline{E_x}(x, y, z), \overline{E_y}(x, y, z)$  and  $\overline{E_z}(x, y, z)$ .

- Built custom electric field to look as much as the field produced by the mesh.
- Took a lot of effort because the plot from <u>2002:12602</u> shows the 3D magnitude of the electric field without the axes scales.
  - Needed to find three custom electric field functions such that their quadrature looks like that in the paper.
- Had to do a lot of trial and error method in the dark to match the electric field both visually and in terms of replication of the cluster charge, cluster size, efficiency etc results.



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## Settings comparison for custom electric field

- The <u>2002:12602</u> Allpix<sup>2</sup> paper used:
  - CMOS monolithic chip with thickness 100 um (25 um epitaxial layer thickness, 75 um silicon substrate)
  - Pion beam with 120 GeV energy
  - Used more rigorous Generic propagation for charge transfer
    - Used TCAD electric field model, they have more accurate charge transport
  - Digitizer charge collection threshold 120e unless otherwise stated.
  - Results shown are from a "demonstrator" ALPIDE sensor.
    - The differences to the nominal ALPIDE are not expected to be very different.

### • I used:

- ALPIDE chip with thickness 100 um (epitaxial layer thickness)
- Pion beam with 120 GeV energy
- We did not have TCAD model, we only used a custom electric field going into 25 um.
  - No electric field from 25 um to 100 um depth.
- Used generic propagation.
- Digitizer charge collection threshold 120e unless otherwise stated.

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## Charge propagation in custom electric field:



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### Comparison between 2002:12602 and custom electric field: I









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 $\star$ Cluster size mean for different charge collection threshold match perfectly. Our efficiency is little higher than the paper for high charge collection threshold.  $\star$ Still optimizing the field.

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## What we want to achieve

- Digitize the hits of signal and background
- Look at the hits, cluster sizes, cluster charge etc in signal and background samples
  - Want to check the sensor's response when signal and background hit the sensor together.
- Need to get the realistic electric field inside the ALPIDE chips for good simulation.



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This background comes from signal hitting tracker material.

From Meir Weissman Jonathan Kogman, and Shimon Nowik, linear electric field.

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### Sample config file

[Allpix] number\_of\_events = 1000 model\_paths = "/Users/arkasantra/AllPix2/allpix-squared/examples/ arkaExamples" log\_level = "WARNING" detectors\_file = "tutorial-geometry.conf" multithreading = true workers = 15root\_file = "modules\_customElectricField.root"

[GeometryBuilderGeant4]

[DepositionGeant4] physics\_list = "FTFP\_BERT\_EMY" enable\_pai = true particle\_type = "Pi+" source\_type = "beam" source\_energy = 120GeV source\_position = 0um 0um -200um  $beam_size = 0.5mm$  $beam_direction = 0.0.1$ number\_of\_particles = 1 max\_step\_length = 1.0um

#### custom electric field prepared by Noam #### 

[ElectricFieldReader] model = "custom" log\_level = "WARNING" 

field\_function =  $"[0]^*(x^*x+z^*z)"$ field\_parameters = 125000V/mm depletion\_depth = 25um

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 $output_plots = 1$ output\_plots\_project = y output\_plots\_single\_pixel = true

[GenericPropagation] temperature = 293K $charge_per_step = 5$ timestep\_min = 0.5ps timestep\_max = 0.5ns integration\_time = 20ns

[SimpleTransfer]  $output_plots = 1$ 

[DefaultDigitizer] log\_level = "WARNING" electronics\_noise = 10e threshold = 120e threshold\_smearing = 5e $output_plots = 1$ 

[DetectorHistogrammer] log\_level = "WARNING"  $output_plots = 1$ 

[ROOTObjectWriter]



## The Tracker Sub-detector

Using the ALPIDE pixel sensors Built for the ALICE ITS phase-1 upgrade - already installed Manufactured by TowerJazz in Israel Many proprietary restrictions.



**\bigstarALPIDE silicon pixel chip size:** 15 x 30 mm<sup>2</sup>. ✦Each chip has 1024×512 pixels.

 $\mu m$ . ✦Good performance under irradiation



 $\bigstar$  The timing resolution of ALPIDE isn't great **★**Not a problem for LUXE as the repetition rate of the laser is <10Hz ★Electron bunches will arrive at LUXE in 10 Hz at most.



## Use of Custom Electric Field to Particle Gun related to LUXE Tracker

## Particle Gun Settings

- ALPIDE epitaxial layer thickness 25 um
- Positron particle
  - Energy 5 GeV
  - source\_position = 0um 0um -200um
  - beam\_size = 0.5mm
- **Electron particle** 
  - Energy 100 KeV, 1 MeV and 100 MeV
  - source\_position = 0um 0um -200um
  - beam\_size = 0.5mm
- Photon particle
  - Energy 100 KeV
  - source\_position = 0um 0um -200um
  - beam\_size = 0.5mm
  - But it was found that they do not make hits on the ALPIDE.
- Custom electric field

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## **Results from Allpix<sup>2</sup> for particle guns**



 $\bigstar$ Cluster charge MPV for 5 GeV positron: 0.89 ± 0.04 ke  $\bigstar$ Cluster charge MPV for 1 MeV electron: 0.53±0.24 ke  $\bigstar$ Cluster charge MPV for 100 MeV electron: 0.56±0.24 ke  $\bigstar$  Fit with Landau function



Low energy electrons can be removed if we cut on cluster size > 4

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# Electron $\frac{dE}{dx}$ distribution $\frac{dE}{dx}$

### dE/dx vs. E of electrons in silicon



