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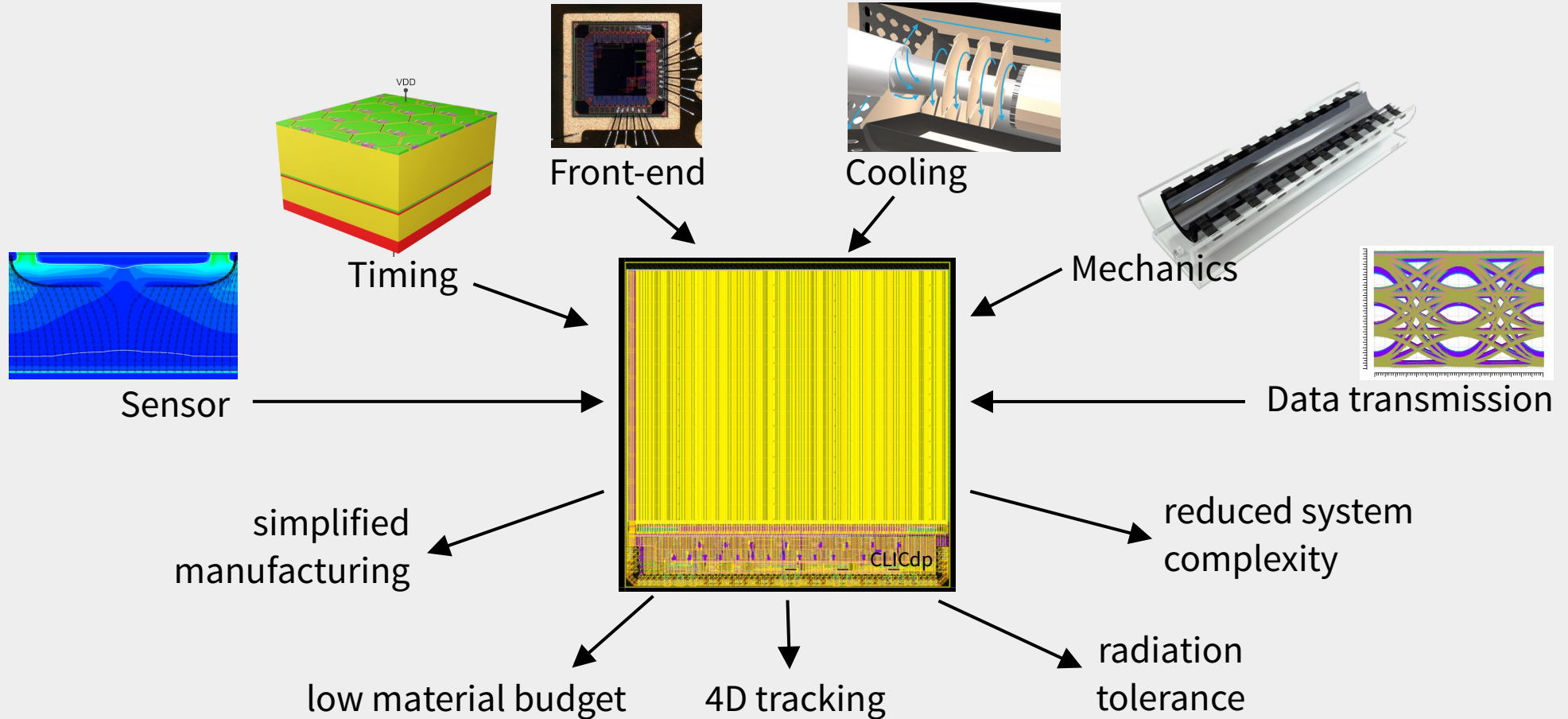
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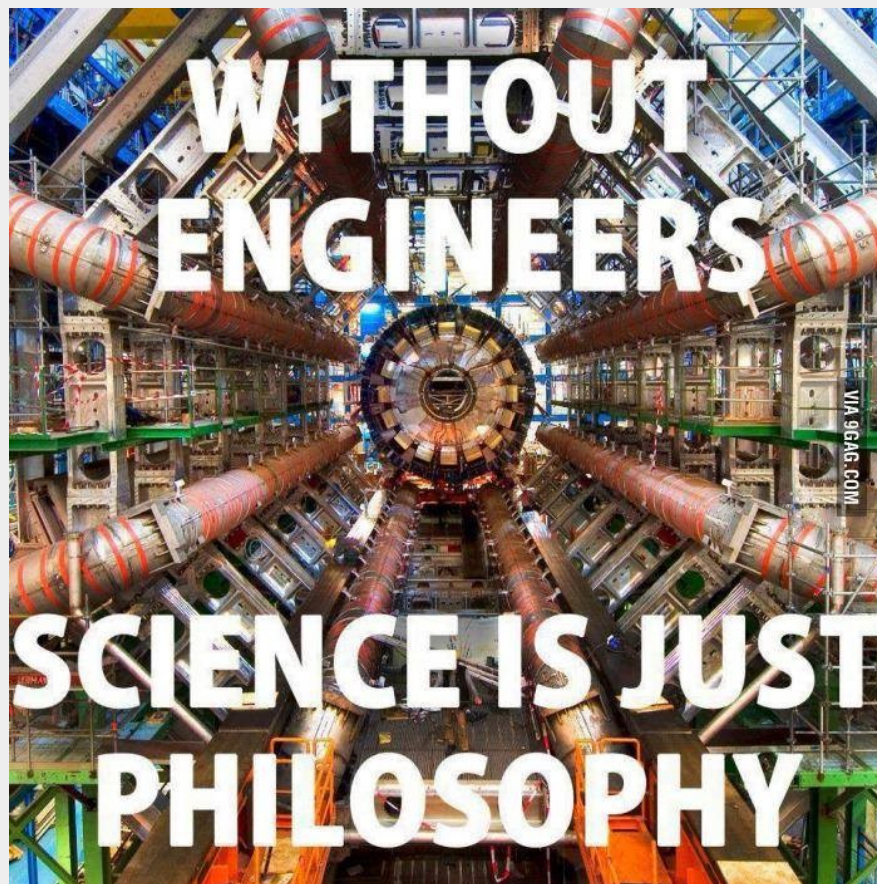
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Scooter, 2009

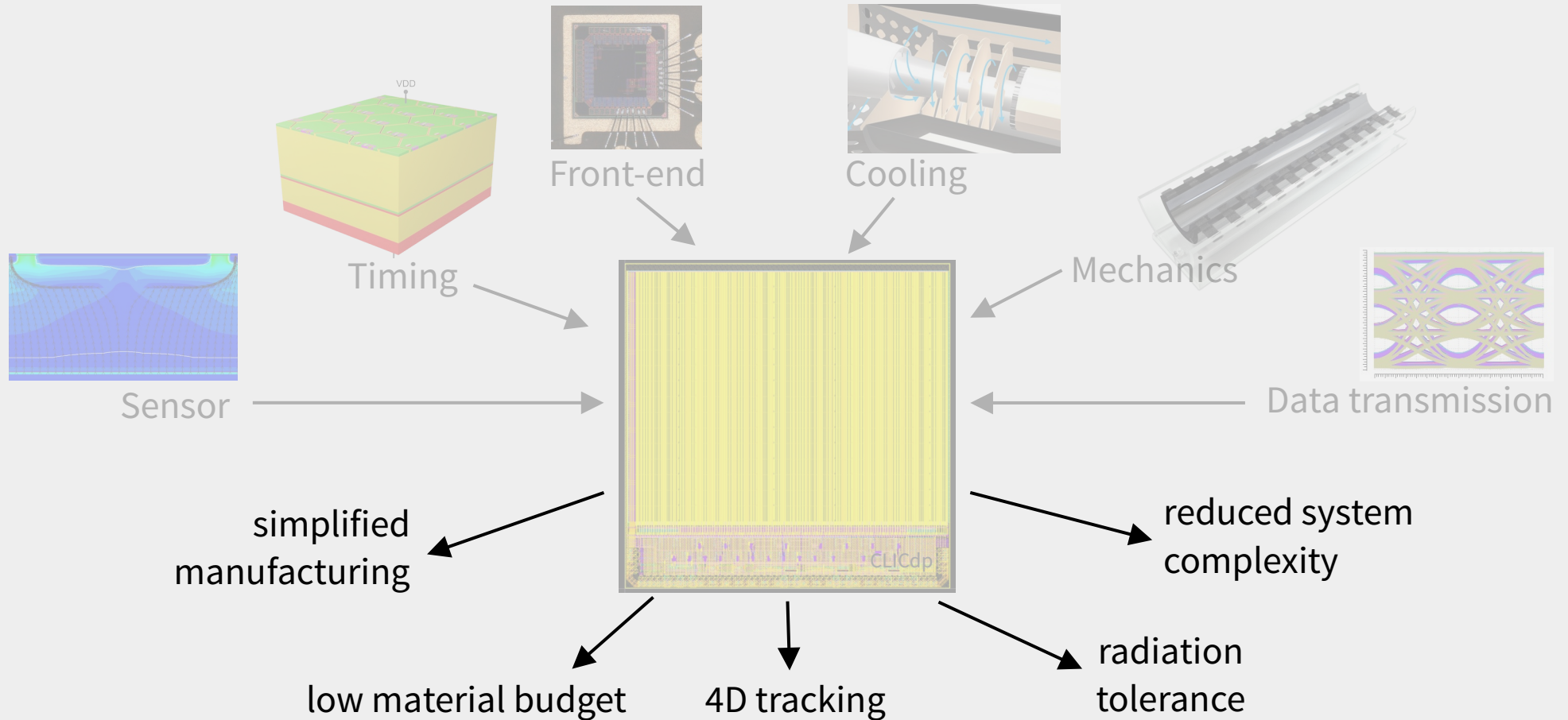
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Detector

# The Ultimate Silicon Sensor: A Detector-On-Chip System





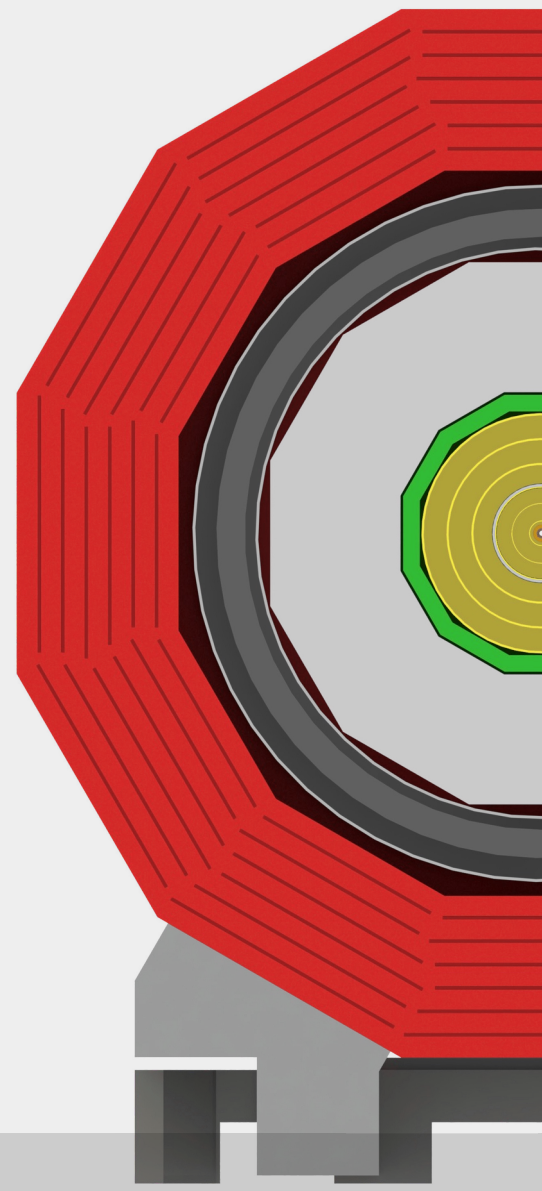
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# The Question Is What Is The Question

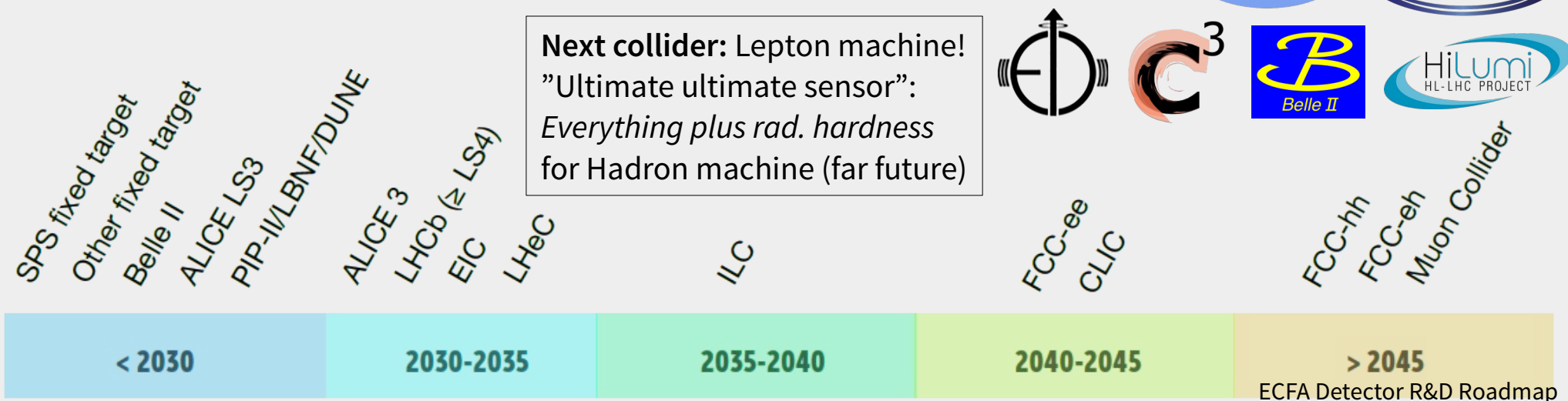
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Requirements Differ...



# The Landscape of Future Colliders & Upgrades

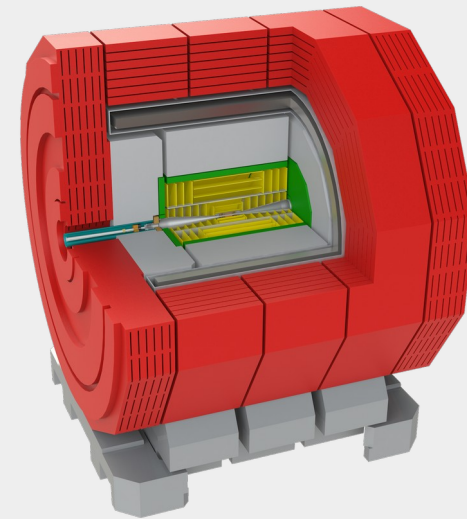
- European Strategy Update evaluated possible directions for particle physics
- ECFA published Detector R&D Roadmap to structure development of detectors & technology  
ECFA, 2021
- Higgs boson plays unique role in extending knowledge
  - Address questions within SM, provide sensitivity to new physics
  - Precision measurements required





# Challenges at Linear Colliders

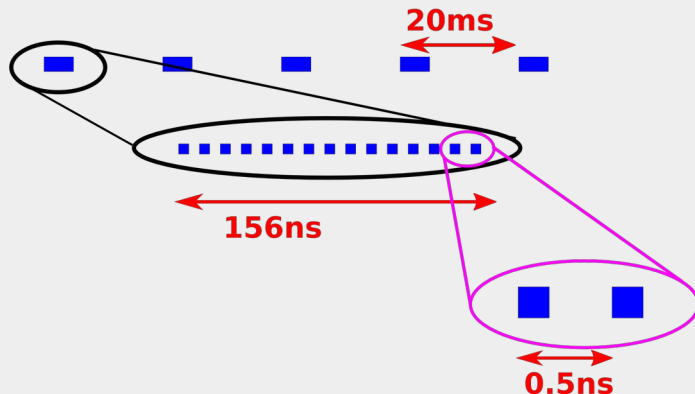
- High precision, low material, radiation hardness less of an issue
- Adjustable cms energies – emphasis on different components
- LC operate in bunch trains with low duty cycle:  
trigger-less, frame-based readout architecture possible



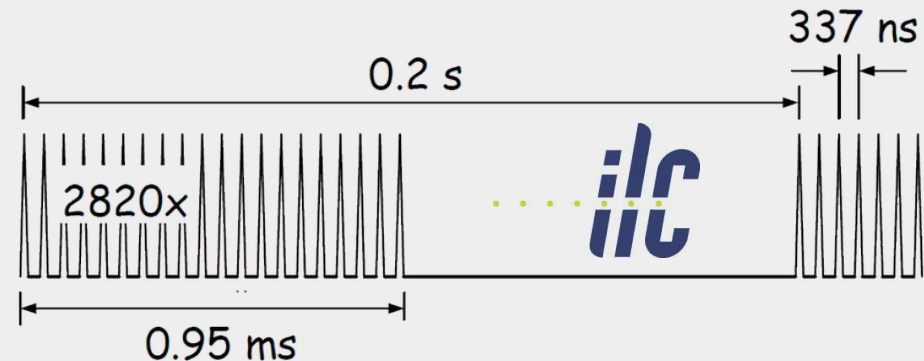
CLIC: 312 bunches (**156 ns**), 50 Hz rep. rate  
0.5 ns bunch spacing

CLIC@3TeV

beam structure

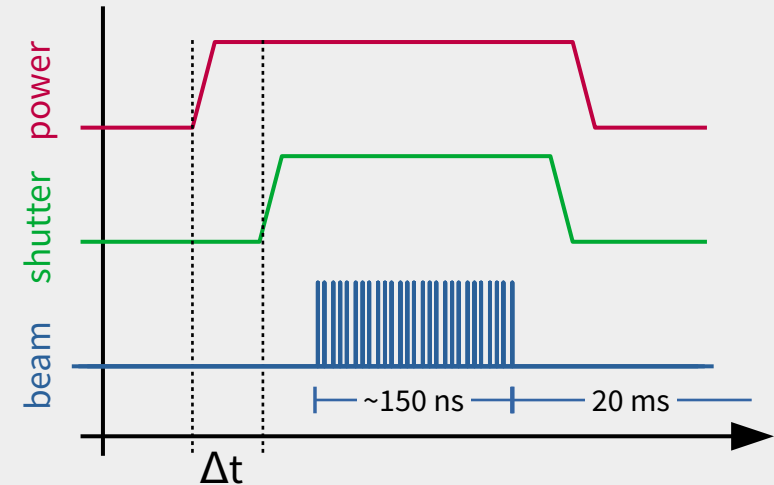


ILC: 2820 bunches ( $\sim 1$  ms), 5 Hz repetition rate  
337 ns bunch spacing



# Linear Colliders: Power Pulsing

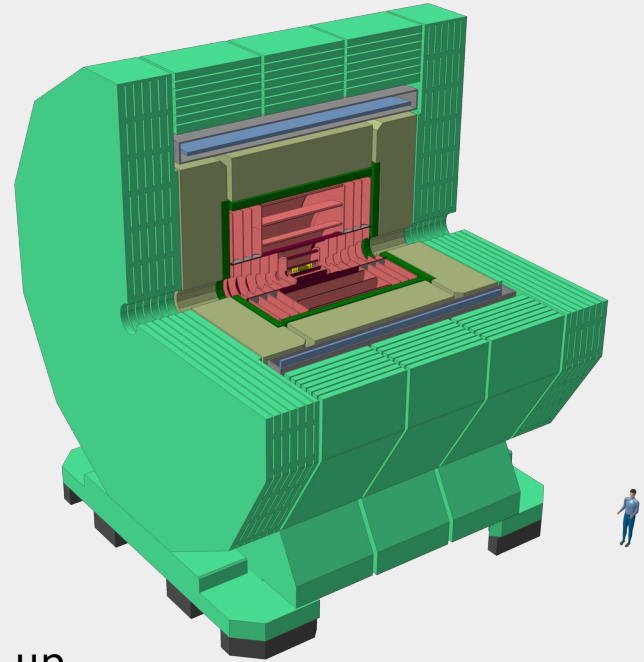
- LC have very low duty cycle, for CLIC < 0.01 %
- Save power by switching to lower-power idle state between bunch trains
  - **Analog power pulsing:**  
Multiplex DACs of amplifiers, discriminators between ON and OFF state
  - **Digital power pulsing:** e.g. by gating clock to pixel matrix
- Allows to significantly reduce overall heat dissipation, reduce requirements on cooling capacity, material, ...



# Challenges at Circular Lepton Colliders

Precision requirements similar to linear colliders,  
however...

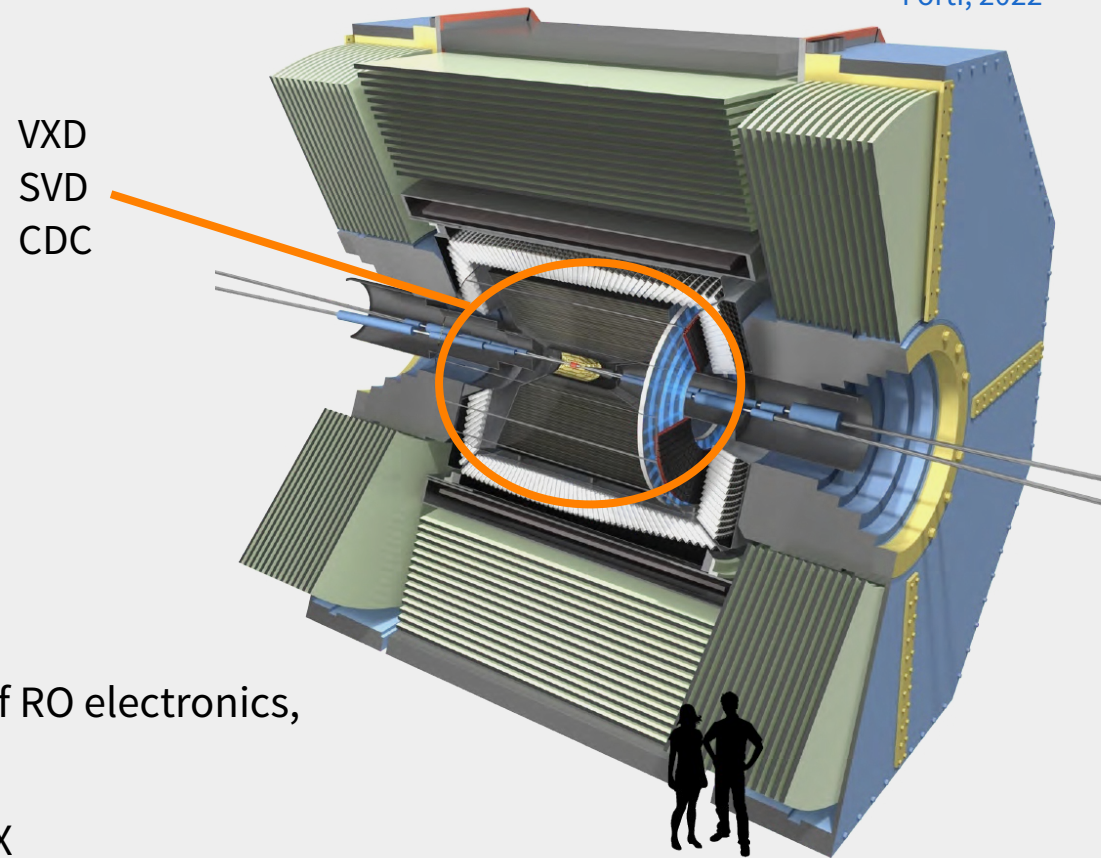
- Continuous beams (no bunch trains);  
bunch spacing down to 20 ns
- Power management and cooling (no power pulsing)
- Physics events at up to 100 kHz
  - Fast detector response ( $\lesssim 1 \mu\text{s}$ ) to minimize dead-time and pile-up
  - Strong requirements on front-end electronics and DAQ systems
- At the same time: low material budget!  
Minimize electronics, cables, cooling, ...



# Belle II Upgrades

Forti, 2022

- Currently luminosity limited by
  - beam-beam effects,
  - Beam lifetime,
  - injection backgrounds
- Upgrade detectors for
  - better resilience against backgrounds,
  - improved performance
- Many Upgrade ideas currently discussed:
  - "adiabatic improvements", replacement of RO electronics, entirely new sub-detectors, ...
  - Upgrade proposals with MAPS, e.g. OBELIX



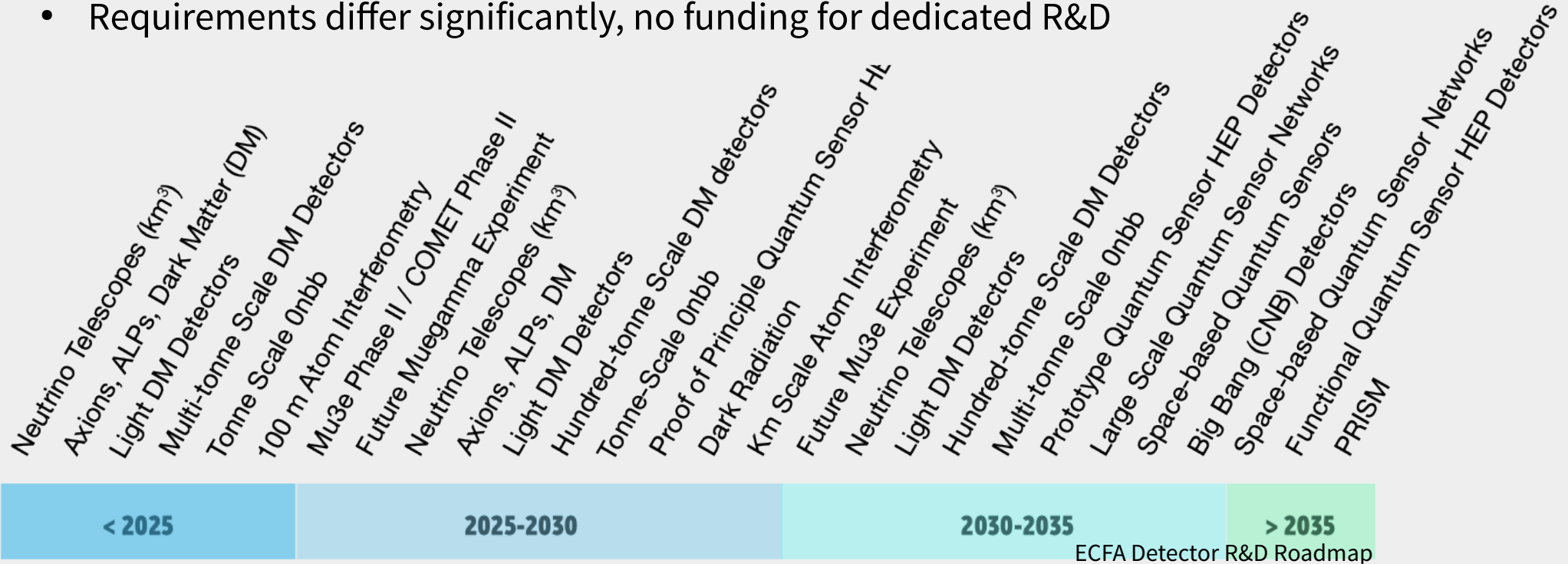
# Silicon Detector Requirements at Lepton Colliders

- Precision measurements especially demanding on vertex & tracking detectors
  - Momentum resolution – large lever arm, minimum scattering
  - Impact parameter resolution – high resolution, min. scattering, small radii
  - Time resolution – fast sensor response, large S/N

	Lepton Colliders		(HL-) LHC (ATLAS/CMS)
Material budget	$< 1\% X_0$		10% $X_0$
Single-point resolution	$\leq 3 \mu\text{m}$		$\sim 15\mu\text{m}$
Time resolution	$\sim \text{ps} - \text{ns}$		25ns
Granularity	$\leq 25 \mu\text{m} \times 25 \mu\text{m}$		50 $\mu\text{m} \times 50\mu\text{m}$
Radiation tolerance	$< 10^{11} n_{\text{eq}} / \text{cm}^2$		<b><math>O(10^{16} n_{\text{eq}} / \text{cm}^2)</math></b>
Duty cycle	$< 0.01 \text{ ‰ @ } \sim\text{ms (linear)}$	100 % @ $\sim\text{ns (circular)}$	100 % @ 25ns

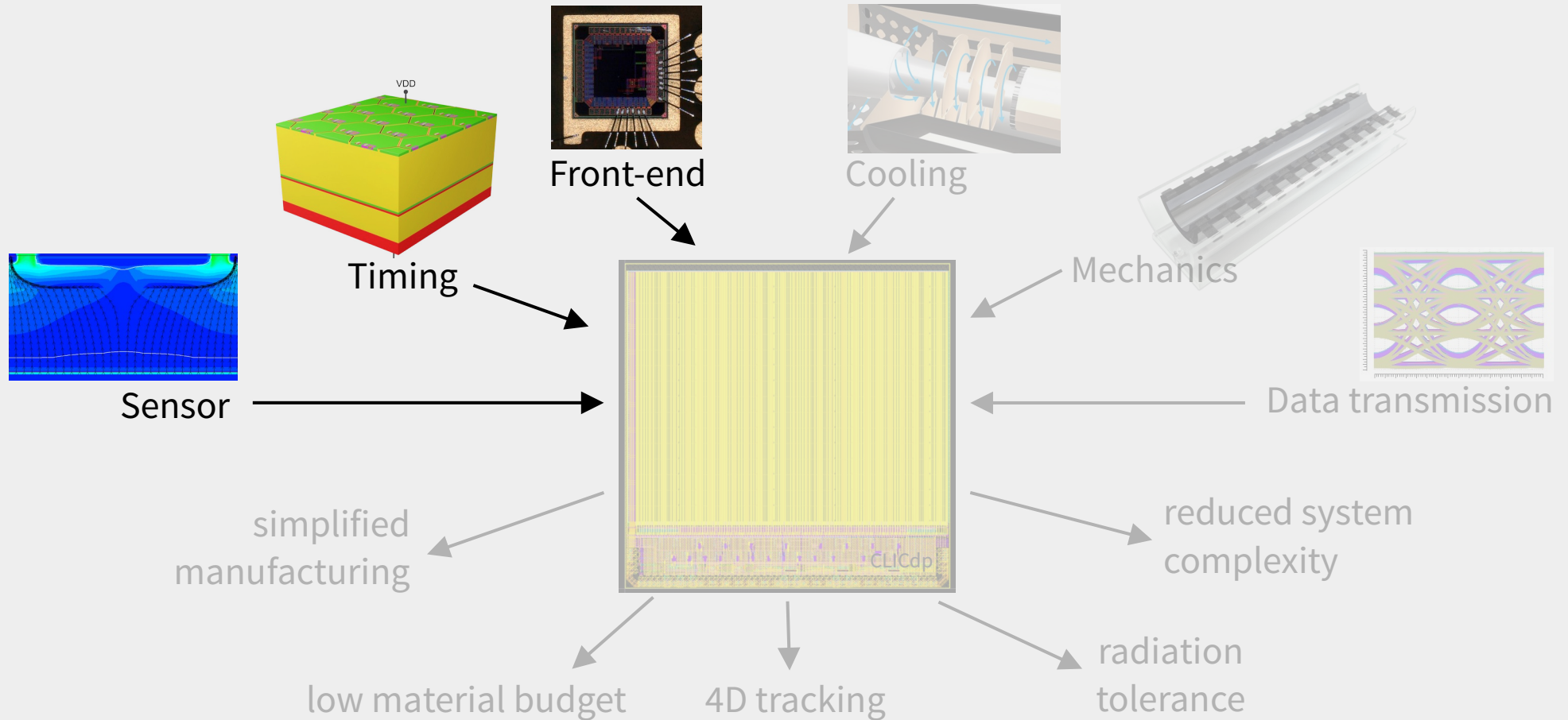
# Opportunities in Small-Scale Experiments

- Many non-accelerator (or small accelerator) based experiments planned
- Several will require silicon detectors (e.g. LUXE)
- Requirements differ significantly, no funding for dedicated R&D



ECFA Detector R&D Roadmap

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# And No Matches

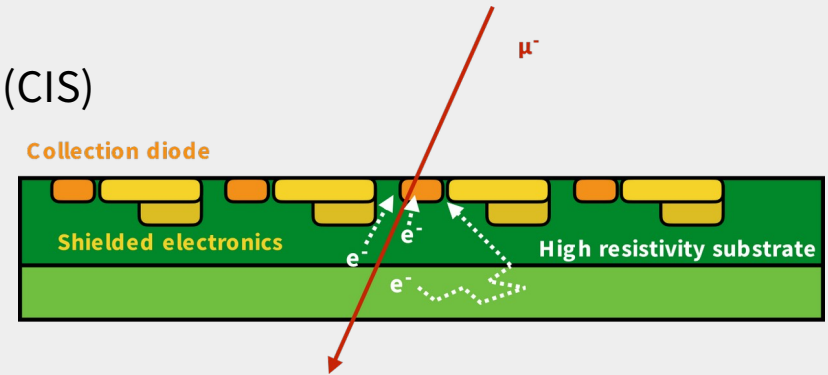
Scooter, 2013

New Technologies for the “Ultimate” Sensor

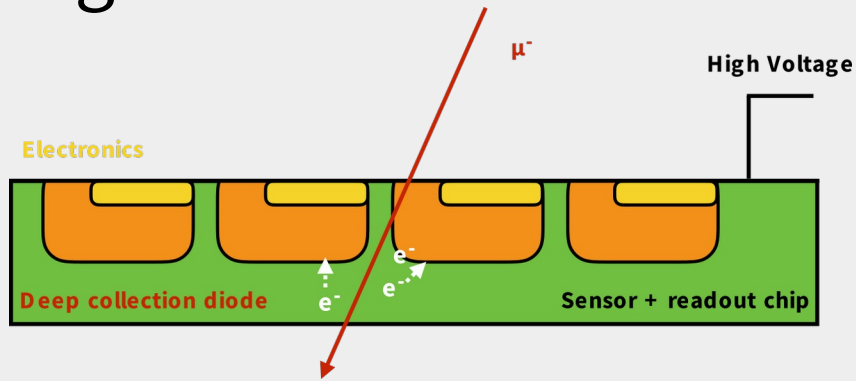


# Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors

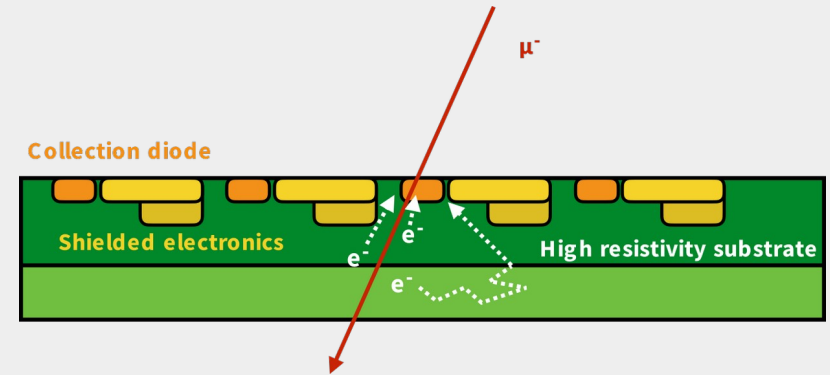
- Electronics & sensor in the same wafer
  - Produced in commercial CMOS imaging processes (CIS)
  - Fully integrated: amplification, discrimination & readout
  - Shield electronics via additional implants
- Large-scale manufacturing simplified compared to hybrids
  - No bump bonding required
  - No limitation on minimum pitch size
- Design can be very intricate
  - Sensor: electric field complex
  - ASIC design, process limitations, ...
- Different approaches
  - Deep collection diode surrounding electronics
  - Separate shielding & collection diode



# Large & Small Electrode Designs



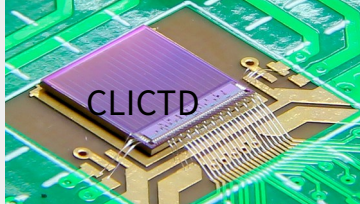
- Shield electronics via deep collection diode around electronics
  - Allows high bias voltage to be applied
  - Fast & large signal, large depletion volume
- Challenge: large collection diode leads to
  - large input capacitance
  - increased power consumption



- Electronics outside charge-collection well
  - Requires high-resistivity material (e.g. epitaxial layer) to allow depletion
  - Small collection diode leads to small capacitance
- Challenge: effect of p-well potential on electric field / charge collection

# Many Technologies, Many Chips

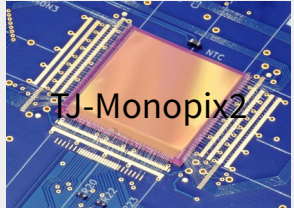
- Started with 350nm process, now at 180nm – 130nm technologies
- Many successful chips designed & produced over last few years
  - First large-area detectors built in HEP
  - Many spin-offs for applications outside HEP (medical, space)
- So far: no single prototype satisfies *all* requirements!



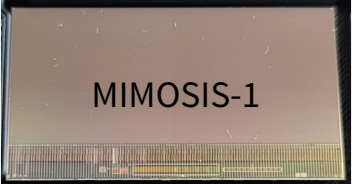
Pernegger et al., 2021



IPHC, 2021



Bespin, 2023



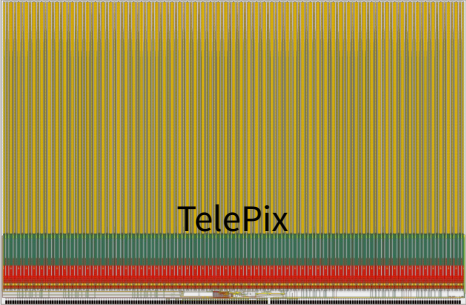
Mager et al., 2016

List by no means exhaustive, chips not to scale...

Augustin et al, 2020



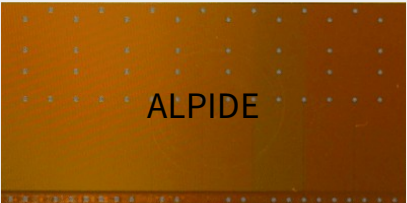
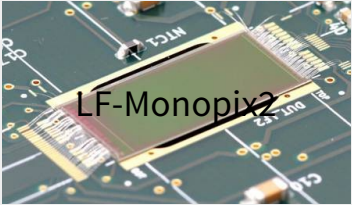
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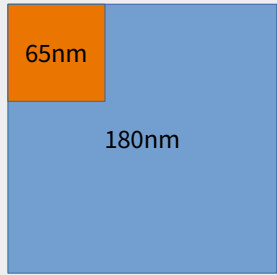
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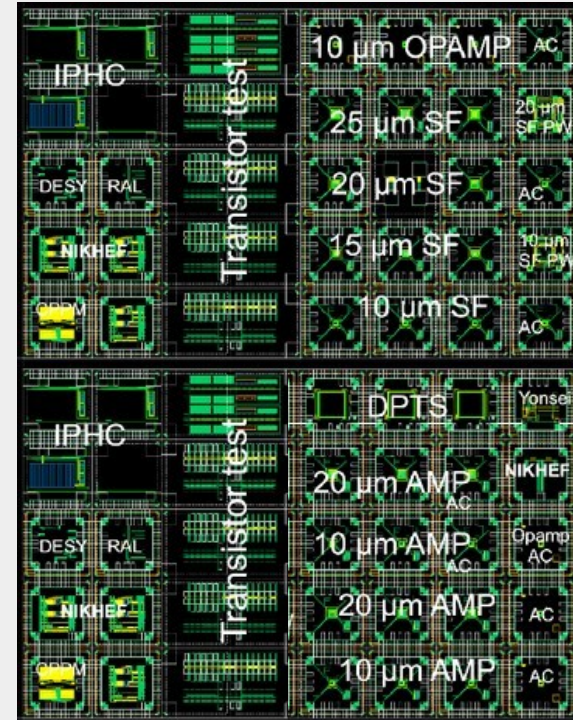
# 65nm CMOS Imaging Technology Node



- MAPS design in 65 nm CMOS imaging process – first application in HEP
  - Higher logic density → reduced pixel pitch
  - Lower analog/digital power consumption
  - Large 300 mm wafers
- International collaboration for common submissions to foundry, organized through CERN EP R&D programme
- Goal: explore new technology in terms of
  - Scalability - wafer-scale sensors through stitching
  - Timing resolution - through sensor layout optimization
  - Position resolution - through increased granularity

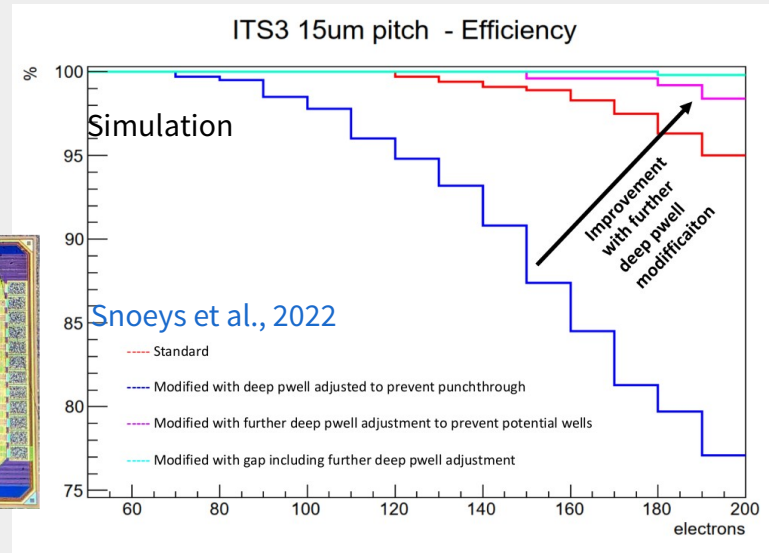
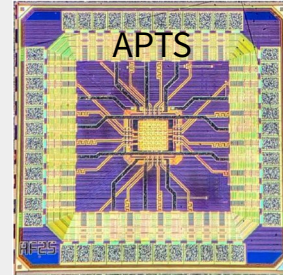


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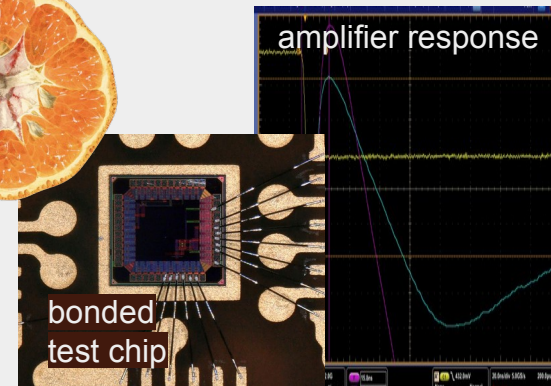
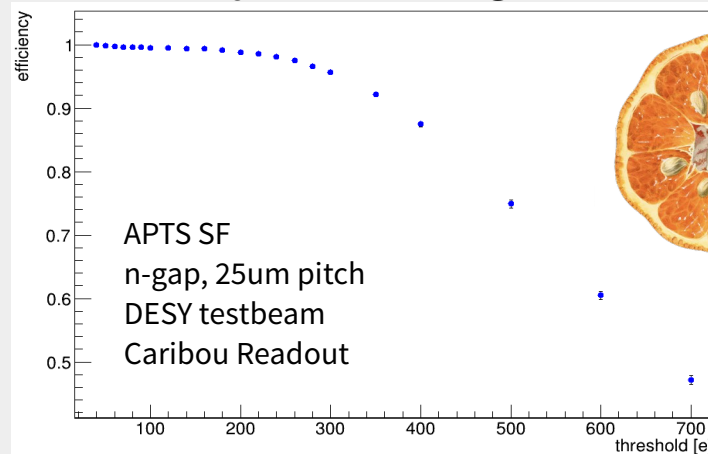


# (Some) Results from First Submission

- Many test chips for pixel characterization & front-ends: APTS, DPTS, CE65, DMLR1
  - Enormous effort from many groups to characterize different pitches, front-ends
  - Validation of process modifications in 65nm

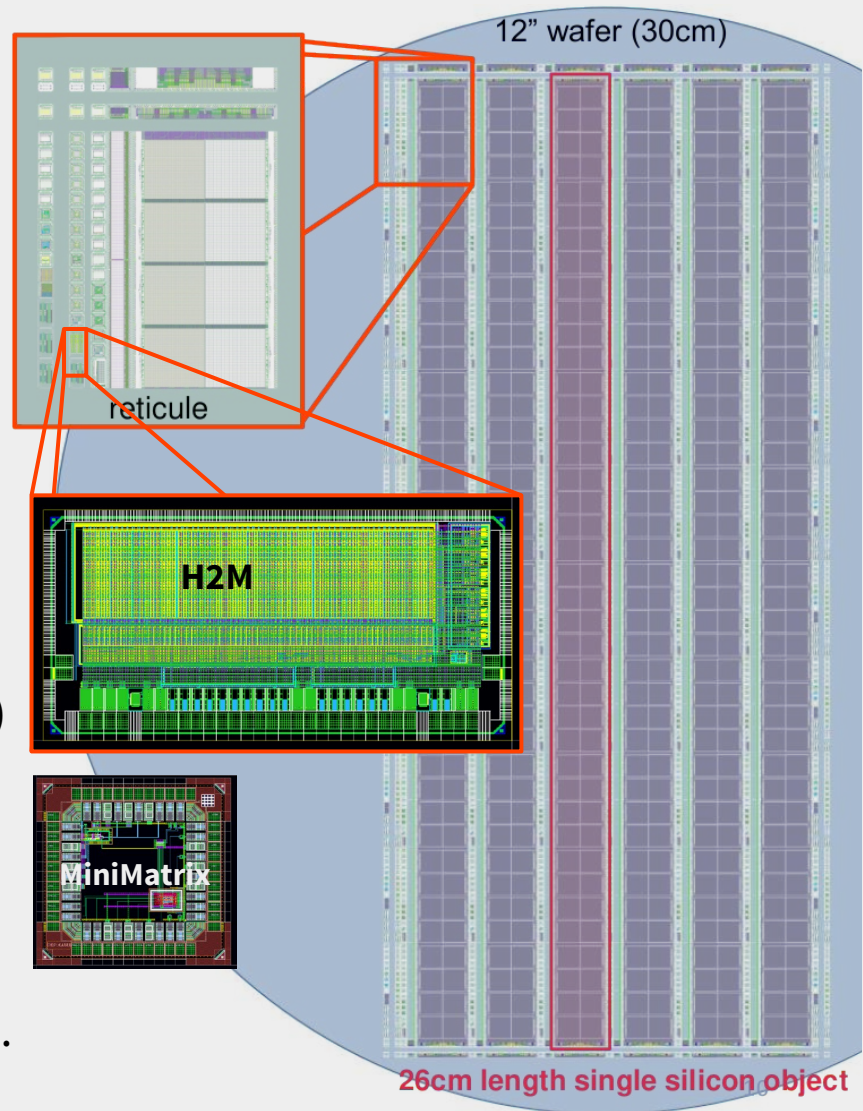


- “Tangerine” – Helmholtz Innovation Pool project for next-generation silicon detectors
  - Focus: fast pixel front-end (ns timing, with ToT and ToA)
  - Sensor charact. with APTS chip
  - Sensor simulations with TCAD & Allpix<sup>2</sup> MC



# Second Submission Taped Out

- ALICE ITS3: wafer-scale stitched sensor MOSS
  - Learn stitching, yield, defects masking
  - Study power schemes, leakage, spread, noise, speed
- H2M – Hybrid to Monolithic (DESY, CERN, IFAE)
  - Full-matrix chip following digital-on-top design
  - Port full hybrid feature set to monolithic chip
  - Timepix-like architecture, different modes (ToT, ToA, ...)
- Expected back from foundry end of April 2023
- This isn't the end – have not yet found the holy grail: Analog circuitry doesn't scale, very thin active region, ...



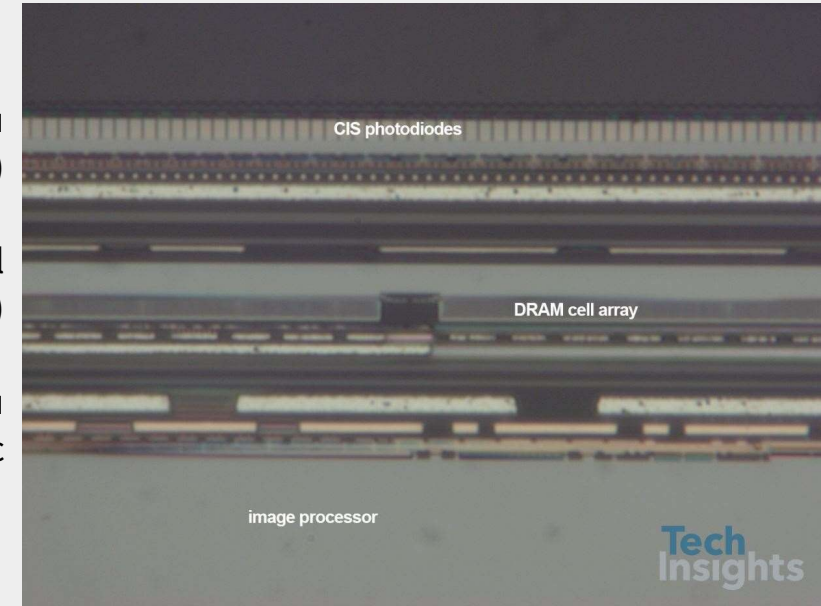
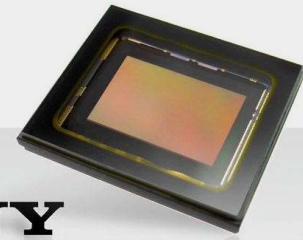
# Break It Up

Scooter, 2009

- 3D Integration / Wafer-Wafer Bonding
- Hybrid approach to separate functionality:
  - CIS process: sensor & amplifier
  - CMOS process: digital logic, readout
- Bonding & thinning at wafer level can be expensive for prototyping
- Popular in industry, e.g.
  - Sony IMX400 for Cell Phones  
20 Million 1.22- $\mu\text{m}$  Pixel @ max. 1 kfps
- More flexibility on digital circuitry, but might come with higher power dissipation

Sony, 2017

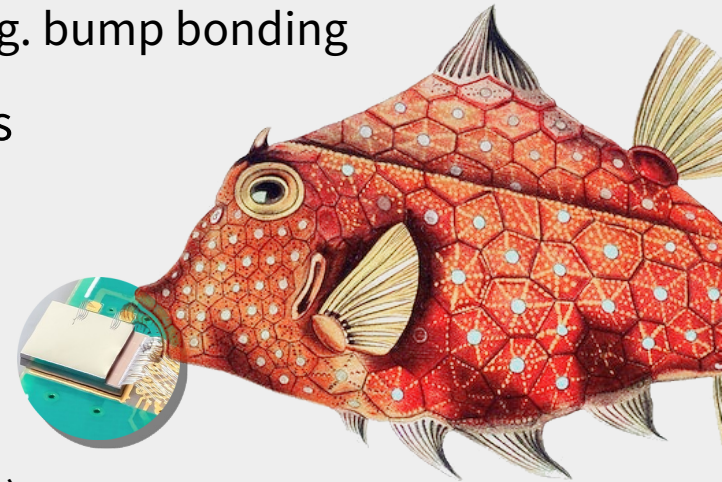
**SONY**



# How Much Is The Fish Submission?

Scooter, 2013

- “CMOS sensors are cheap and production is scalable” – yes and no
  - Initial cost of small technology nodes very expensive (mask production, ...)
  - Multi-project wafer runs (MPWs) not always available, prototypes require engineering runs
  - Scaling for final production indeed scales better than e.g. bump bonding
- Same issues of course also apply to CMOS readout ASICs
- General issue: single-vendor problem
  - Processes & designs specific to individual vendors
  - Also true for specialty foundries (LGADs, current sensors)





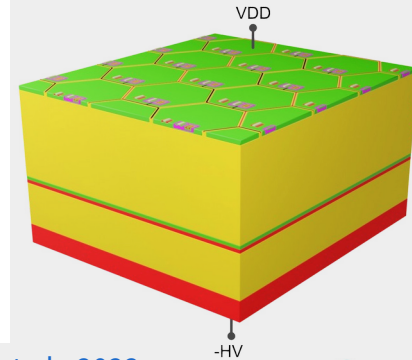
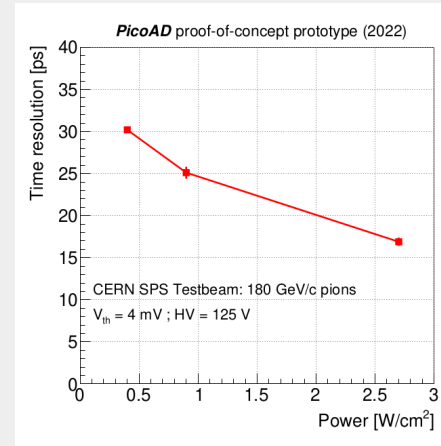
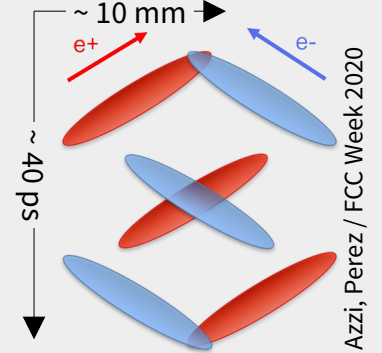
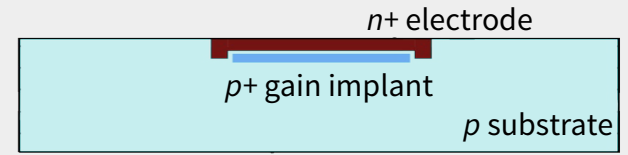
# Picosecond Timing

- Timing information for pile-up mitigation
- PID for heavy flavor physics, CP violation, B physics
- Chromaticization:  $\sqrt{s}$  depends on longitudinal bunch pos.
- Dedicated timing detectors with **LGAD sensors / UFSD**
  - Low gain (x10–30)  $\rightarrow$  fast-rising pulse enables timing
  - Dedicated timing layers: additional material
  - Integration into MAPS detectors: 4D measurements

$$\sigma_t \sim O(30 \text{ ps})$$

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$$\sigma_t \sim O(6 \text{ ps})$$

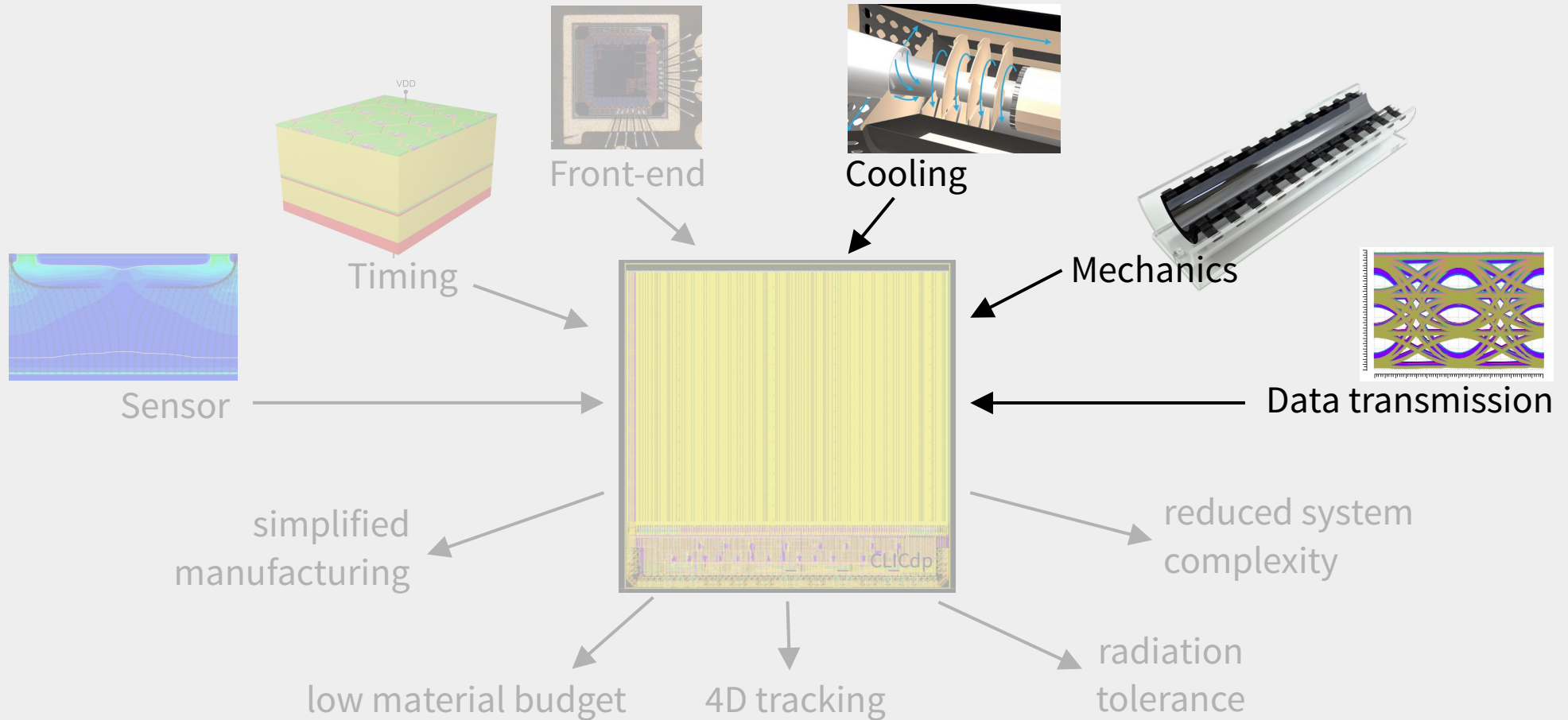


← 180nm commercial CMOS process  
130nm BiCMOS, dedicated processing →

Iacobucci et al., 2022



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# Liquid Is Liquid

Scooter, 2019

Considerations for Cooling, Mechanics & Data Transmission

# I Want You To Stream – Data Transmission

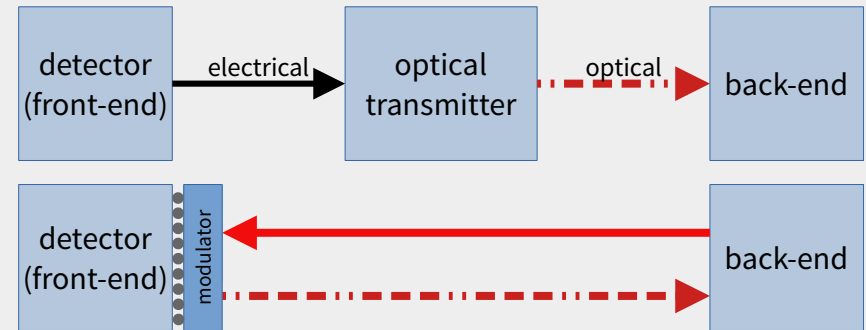
Scooter, 2020

- Bandwidth & power consumption of data transmission critical for future experiments:

$$\frac{1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ chip area}}{(15 \mu\text{m})^2 \text{ pixel pitch}} \geq 450 \text{ kPix} \rightarrow 450 \text{ kPix} \cdot 20 \text{ bit} \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ occupancy} \simeq 90 \text{ b} \rightarrow \frac{90 \text{ bit}}{20 \text{ ns}} \geq 4.5 \text{ Gb s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

- Currently: **Electrical transmission** off-chip, conversion by optical transmitters

- Limited bandwidth  $\sim \text{Gb/s}$
- Driving signals is power consuming  $\sim \text{pJ/bit}$
- Additional material, electromagnetic interference, ...



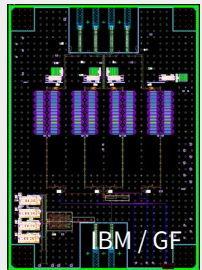
- Silicon Photonics:** external laser, modulation on ASIC

- Increased bandwidth  $\gg 10 \text{ Gb/s}$
- Energy efficient, only modulation  $\ll \text{pJ/bit}$
- 3D integration with MAPS**



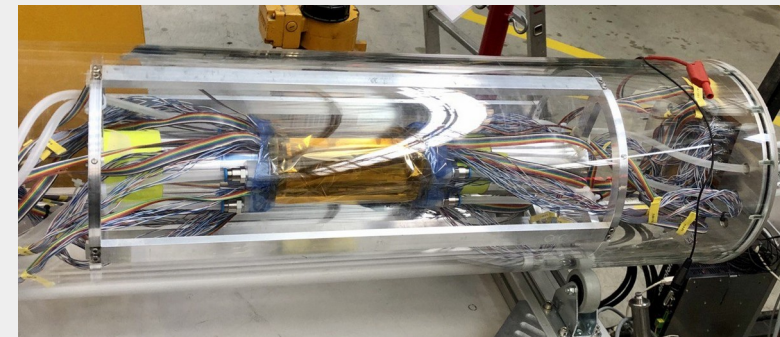
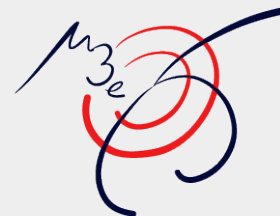
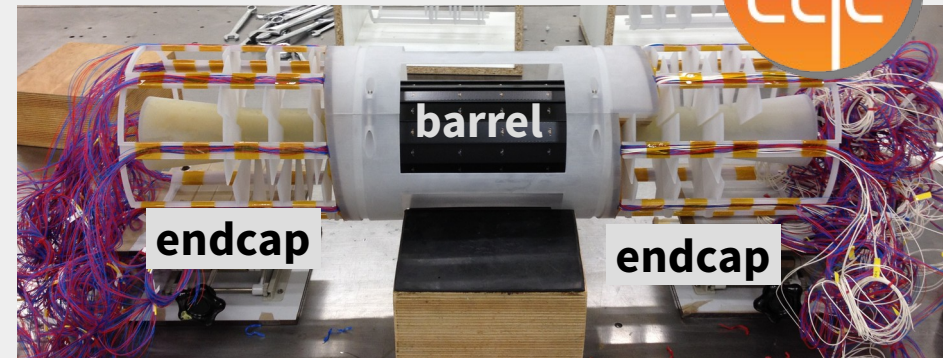
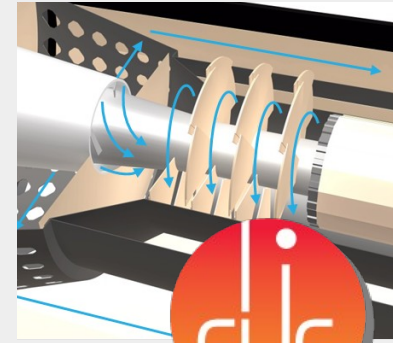
90 nm SOI CMOS

100 Gbps Transceiver (COTS)



# Forced Gas Flow Cooling

- To drastically reduce material budget, we need to avoid “active cooling”
  - Cooling with forced gas flow through tracking volume
  - Remove material for piping, coolant, thermal connectors, ...
  - Demands reduction of heat dissipation
- Example: CLIC Vertex Detector
  - Cooled with forced air flow
  - Spiral vertex disks direct air
- Example: mu3e Detector
  - Cooled with helium flow



# Mind The Gap – Fully-Active Detectors

Scooter, 2013

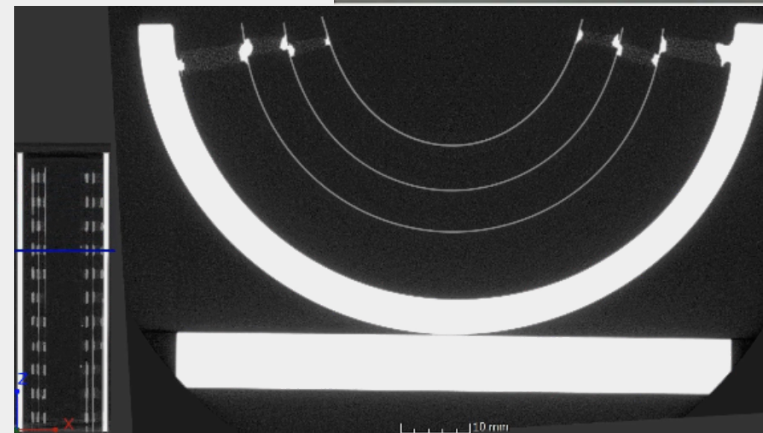
- “Remove everything that doesn’t look like a sensor”
  - Below 50  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness silicon becomes flexible
  - Bending wafers into cylinders adds stability
  - Building half-shells from full-wafer sensors

- ALICE started R&D effort for **ITS3 upgrade**

- Monolithic CMOS pixel detectors
- Wafers thinned & bent
- Held in place by low-density carbon foam spacers



Šuljić, 2020



# Neverending Story

Scooter, 2017

## Summary

# The Only One – The Ultimate Silicon Detector

Scooter, 2011

- The ultimate silicon sensor will be a **detector-on-chip system**.
- Requirements for **future lepton collider experiments** similar:
  - Very low material budget
  - High position & time resolution
- **Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors** matured in past years
  - Many new prototypes & full detectors
  - Move to smaller technology nodes on the way
  - Considerations for future developments: cost, 3D integration, timing
- Sensor is always **part of a system**
  - Data transmission – power reduction, bandwidth increase with silicon photonics
  - Cooling with forced gas flow to minimize material – power dissipation critical
- Far future: Radiation hardness – industry is developing processes for wide-bandgap semiconductors

*Missing Powering Aspects?  
Wait for the next talk... :-)*





**Solid state**

- DRDT 3.1** Achieve full integration of sensing and microelectronics in monolithic CMOS pixel sensors
- DRDT 3.2** Develop solid state sensors with 4D-capabilities for tracking and calorimetry
- DRDT 3.3** Extend capabilities of solid state sensors to operate at extreme fluences
- DRDT 3.4** Develop full 3D-interconnection technologies for solid state devices in particle physics

**Electronics**

- DRDT 7.1** Advance technologies to deal with greatly increased data density
- DRDT 7.2** Develop technologies for increased intelligence on the detector
- DRDT 7.3** Develop technologies in support of 4D- and 5D-techniques
- DRDT 7.4** Develop novel technologies to cope with extreme environments and required longevity
- DRDT 7.5** Evaluate and adapt to emerging electronics and data processing technologies

**Integration**

- DRDT 8.1** Develop novel magnet systems
- DRDT 8.2** Develop improved technologies and systems for cooling
- DRDT 8.3** Adapt novel materials to achieve ultralight, stable and high precision mechanical structures. Develop Machine Detector Interfaces.
- DRDT 8.4** Adapt and advance state-of-the-art systems in monitoring including environmental, radiation and beam aspects

