# **Pixel Technologies for the JLC**

generic future Colliders of any shape

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## In the beginning ...

- SLD's VXD3 (1996)
  - 307 Million channels
  - 20 µm pixels
- The Grandfather of all LC pixel detectors
- Still provides valuable "lessons learned" from SLC
- Starting point for ILC pixel R&D





## How does a Silicon Pixel work ?

- From a semiconductor perspective
  - Silicon pn-junction (aka Diode)
  - not really different from a strip detector ...
- Particle passing through
  - always treated as MIP
  - generate electron-hole pairs
  - 80 e/per µm
- Reverse bias pn junction
  - can fully deplete bulk
  - either collect holes or electrons



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### **Materials**

#### High resistivity Silicon

- $R = 1k\Omega cm$
- used mostly for detectors
- Quite expensive
- Charge Collection
  - thickness up to 500  $\mu m$
  - Fully depleted
  - Collect charge via drift
  - Fast (~ 10 ns)
  - small charge spread

### Low resistivity Silicon

- $R = 10\Omega cm$
- Used in CMOS industry (epi)
- Cheap
- Charge collection
  - thin (10 µm)
  - basically undepleted
  - collect charge via diffusion
  - Slow ( ~ 100 ns)
  - larger charge spread



### **Reality is more complex !**

### There are more things between p and n, Horatio, Than are dreamt of in your philosophy !



## **Pixel RD for the ILC**

- Very active field for the last ten years
- Plenty of groups involved in all 3 ILC regions
  - Europe
  - Asia
  - Americas
- A lot of progress has been made
- I'll focus on
  - Pixel technologies
  - Silicon-only pixels
- Apologies in advance for omissions ...



## SiD - a typical ILC detector



## **ILC Detector Requirements**

Impact parameter resolution •

 $\sigma_{r\varphi} \approx \sigma_{rz} \approx 5 \oplus 10/(p \sin^{3/2} \theta)$ 

Momentum resolution

$$\sigma\left(\frac{1}{p_T}\right) = 5 \times 10^{-5} \left(GeV^{-1}\right)$$

Jet energy resolution goal

 $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{30\%}{\sqrt{E}}$ 

- **Detector** implications
  - Calorimeter granularity
  - Pixel size
  - Material budget, central
  - Material budget, forward

Need factor 3 better than SLD

 $\sigma_{r_{\theta}} = 7.7 \oplus 33/(p \sin^{3/2} \theta)$ 

Need factor 10 (3) better than LEP (CMS)

Need factor 2 better than ZEUS

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{60\%}{\sqrt{E}}$$

- **Detector** implications
  - Need factor ~200 better than LHC
  - Need factor ~20 smaller than LHC
  - Need factor ~10 less than LHC
  - Need factor  $\sim >100$  less than LHC

#### Highly segmented, low mass detectors required -> pixels !



### **The ILC Vertex Detector**

- 5 layers, either
  - long barrels
  - barrels + endcap disks
  - gas-cooled
- First layer ~ 1.2 cm away from primary vertex
- Occupancy 1 %
- Material budget: ~1 % X<sub>0</sub>



## And the pixels spread ...

- Pixels originally only intended for the vertex detectors
  - like SLD ...
- But pixels are becoming affordable
  - Pixel detectors spread outwards
- Silicon pixel trackers are now feasible
  - ~70  $m^2$  silicon , 30 Gigapixel
- Digital EM calorimetry using pixels as particle counters
  - 2000 m<sup>2</sup> area, 1 Terapixel



### **Pixels everywhere ...**



## **ILC timing**



- ILC environment is very different compared to LHC
  - Bunch spacing of ~ 300 ns (baseline)
  - 2625 bunches in 1ms
  - 199 ms quiet time
- Occupancy dominated by beam background & noise
- Readout during quiet time possible



## **ICL Pixel Timing & Readout**

- Time stamping
  - single bunch resolution
  - buffer hits
  - readout during quiet time
- Time slicing
  - divide train in n slices
  - readout during train/quiet time
- Time-integrating
  - no bunch information
  - readout during quiet time

- On-Pixel processing
  - each pixel self-sufficient
  - digital data stream off pixel
  - minimal amount of interconnects
- Off-Pixel processing
  - data is moved to a readout chip
  - requires additional circuitry and interconnects



## How to achieve Occupancy goal ?

- Goal is 1 % occupancy
  - can't be just done by integrating over the entire train
- Pixel size
  - go to very small pixels
- Time stamping and buffering
  - read and store hits on pixel
- Time Slicing
  - read out the entire detector n times during the train
- Combination of the above



## And CLIC ?

- CLIC is an alternative proposal for a linear collider driven by CERN
  - Up to 3 TeV center-of-mass energy
  - 48 km long
- Innovative "Drive-Beam" Technology
  - Drive beam is used to generate accelerating field for main beam
  - Proof -of-principle ongoing
  - CTF3 at CERN is becoming online now
- Very small beams
  - Larger beam backgrounds
  - vertex detector moves outwards (~ 4 cm)







### **CLIC Bunch structure**

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**ILC:** 1 train = 2680 bunches

0.5 ns apart 50 Hz 337 ns apart 5 Hz

#### **Consequences for a CLIC detector:**

- Assess need for detection layers with time-stamping
  - Innermost tracker layer with sub-ns resolution
  - Additional time-stamping layers for photons and for neutrons
- Readout electronics will be different from ILC
- Consequences for power pulsing?



## Why not using LHC-style pixels ?

- LHC requirements
  - extremely rad hard
  - very fast (25 ns)
- LHC pixels ..
  - "large"
  - cooling required
- ILC requirements
  - slow and not rad-hard
- ILC pixels
  - very low material budget
  - high granularity



### The material budget





### **Other short comings**

- Excessive use of bump-bonding
  - difficult
  - yield issues
  - limits minimum pixel size ...
- Cooling requirements
  - more material
  - more complexity
- Manufacturing & Cost
  - Everything is custom
  - Cost per m<sup>2</sup> too high for large systems











## CCD's

- Charge-Coupled Device
- Extensively used in imaging
- Established technology
- SLD's VXD3 used CCD's
- Basic working principle
  - charge storage
  - readout as bucket-chain
  - robust against pick-up
- Require
  - high charge transfer efficiency
  - cooling to -20 C
  - high drive currents





# CPCCD (LCFI)

- "Classic " CCD readout is slow
- Column Parallel CCD
- Idea: divide readout chain into columns
  - Higher speeds possible (50 MHz)
  - Time slicing approach (20 frames)
  - 20 µm pixels
- CPCCD requires a dedicated readout chip
- High currents driving the readout
- already second generation design



### **A CPCCD Module**



## FPCCD (KEK et. al.)

- Fine Pixel CCD
- Time-integrating
  - Instead of time slicing ...
  - requires 5 µm pixels
- Fully depleted epitaxial layer
  - minimize the number of hits due to charge spread
- Requires cooling
- Readout similar to CPCCD
- currently 12 µm pixel size
  - Expect 5  $\mu$ m pixels in 2011











# ISIS (LCFI)

- In Situ Image Storage
  - charge collection with photo diode
  - Transfer to CCD-like structure
  - Time-slicing (20x)
- Readout chips separate
  - semi-integrated pixels
  - plans for full integration
- First proof of principle devices
  - ISIS1
  - Successor ISIS2 has been received

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## **DEPFET (DEPFET collaboration)**

- **DE**pleted **P**-channel **FET**s
- Basic principle
  - Bulk fully depleted
  - Collection by drift
  - Internal gate collects charge
- Clear gate necessary
- Charge collection with FET's switched off, low power
- Unique process developed by MPI Halbleiterlabor München





## **DEPFET Prototypes**

- DEPFET readout
  - External gate row select
  - Signal charge modifies current
  - CDS style readout using Clear gate
- Two driver ASICs needed
- Latest version PXD05
  - 24 µm pixel size
  - tests ongoing











## **MAPS** basic principle

- Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors
- CMOS technology
  - Down to 180 nm/130 nm
- Charge is collected by diffusion
  - Slow > 100 ns
- Integrated readout
- Thin Epi-layers (< 15 µm)</li>
- Parasitic charge collection
  - can't use PMOS ...
- Basic MAPS cell for Particle Physics
  - The 3T array





## MIMOSA (IRES et. al.)

- MIMOSA family
  - 3T architecture
  - Restricted to NMOS
- MIMOSA 22
  - 0.35  $\mu m$  AMS OPTO process
  - 18.4 µm pixel size
  - 128 columns
  - 128 x 576 pixels in total
  - Read-out time 100 µs
- Readout as Rolling-Shutter
  - One column read out at a time





## LDRD (LBNL et. al.)

- Current: LDRD03
  - 3T with in-pixel "CDS"
  - Readout at the end of a column
  - Made in 0.35 µm AMS OPTO process
  - 20 µm Pixels
  - 96 columns with 96 pixels each
- Rolling-Shutter readout





## **Overcoming the limits**

- Two approaches
- Deep n-well
  - n-well diode as a deep implant covering most of pixel
  - Can have PMOS (small number)
- Deep p-well
  - Encapsulate electronics nwells with deep p-implant
  - shielding, so no parasitic charge collection
  - Realized e.g. in INMAPS process and in ISIS







## Deep n-Well MAPS (INFN)

- Made in ST 130 nm process
  - Triple-well approach
- 25 x 25 µm pixels with binary readout
  - Goal 15 x 15 µm
- Integrated electronics
  - Pre-amp, discriminator
  - Sparsification, timestamping
- Plans to explore smaller feature sizes







# **TPAC (CALICE-UK)**

- 50 x 50 µm with binary readout
  - Deep p-well/INMAPS 180 nm
  - Pixel developed for digital EM calorimetry
  - Different optimization
- integrated electronics
  - Pre-amp, comparator
  - Pixel masks and trim
- Logic strips
  - Hold buffers and timestamping
  - Add ~ 11 % dead area





## Chronopixels (Yale/Oregon)

- Similar to previous pixels
  - In-pixel electronics
  - Hit buffering
  - Time-stamping
  - Binary readout
- Prototype made in 180 nm TSMC
  - Pixel size 50 x 50  $\mu$ m
- Goal
  - 45 nm process
  - 10 x 10 µm pixels
  - Deep p-well and high-res epi









## **SoI Basics**

- Silicon on Insulator (SoI)
- Thin active circuit layer on insulating substrate
- ~200 nm of silicon on a "buried" oxide (BOX) carried on a "handle" wafer.
- Handle wafer can be high resistivity silicon
- Integration of electronics and fully depleted detectors in a single wafer
- Diode implant through the buried oxide





## MAMBO (Fermilab)

- Monolithic Active pixel
  Matrix with Binary cOunters
- Made in 150 nm Oki Process
  - 200 nm BOX layer
- Pixel size is 26 x26 µm
  - Implements a 12 bit counter
- Common problem for all SoI
  - Backgate effect handling wafer
  - Can be fixed by using thicker BOX layer
  - Alternatively design workarounds













## **3D Pixels**

- The ultimate dream of any pixel designer
  - Fully active sensor area
  - Independent control of substrate materials for each of the tiers
  - Fabrication optimized by layer function
  - In-pixel data processing
  - Increased circuit density due to multiple tiers of electronics
- A new way of doing things

#### **Conventional MAPS**





## VIP-I (Fermilab)

- Vertically Integrated Pixel
- Pixel array 64x64, 20x20 µm pixels
  - Analog and binary readout
  - 5-bit Time stamping
  - Sparsification
- Designed for 1000 x 1000 array
- Chip divided into 3 tiers
- Made in MIT-LL process
- VIP2a is on its way





## **3D Process Developments**

- The MIT LL process
  - Demonstrated a fully functional device
- However:
  - Poor yield- both processing problems and overly aggressive design
  - VIP2 will use degraded design rules (0.15 -> 0.2 or 0.3 µm) with improved transistor models
  - Analog SoI design is challenging
  - Long turn-around time
  - Not a commercial process

- Tezzaron 130 nm
  - Existing rules for vias and bonding
  - Relatively fast turn around
  - One stop shop for wafer fabrication, via formation, thinning, bonding
  - Low cost
  - Process is available to customers from all countries

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### **Future Trends**

- Always in motion the future is ...
  - especially for pixels
- Higher integration
  - Smaller feature sizes and 3D integration will make this possible
- Larger sensor areas
  - Real CMOS <u>Stitching</u> allow wafer-scale sensors
- Low power designs
  - Large pixel system will need to reduce power usage per channel



### **Process trends**



## Why not deep submicron ?

- Some problems
  - Mostly pure digital processes (CPU, DRAM, etc)
  - Leakage Currents become a problem
  - small dynamic range due to operating voltage of 1 V
    - ADCs are way more difficult
  - New design kits, tools etc
  - Smaller process does not automatically mean smaller pixels
- Access to deep submicron processes
  - Very difficult, foundries are not keen on a runs with a few wafers only
  - Costs are not compatible with STFC funding
    - 180 nm mask set (~ 50.000 US-\$)
    - 65 nm mask set (1.000.000 US-\$)



### Where does it end ...



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### Large CMOS sensors

- CMOS structures have size limits
  - the reticle size
  - process-dependent
  - usually 25x25 mm
- This is a technology limit for large sensors
- Mainstream Industry not very interested
  - e.g. Intel Core2 (65 nm) 12x12 mm
  - Only imaging application became interested
- Way out : Stitching sensors



## Stitching



Stitched Sensor Design



### **Some comments**

- Stitching can't be a second thought
  - design for it from beginning
- Stitchable designs are more complex
- Mask set more expensive ...
- But then
  - normal wafer costs
  - mass producible
  - wafer size (300 mm) is the limit
- Caveat
  - larger structures mean lower yield ...



## Which Technology to choose?

- Even more difficult to make a forecast
- For a vertex detector
  - Small area (1 m<sup>2</sup>) so choose technology that can do the job
  - Cost is a minor issue
- For trackers/ECAL etc
  - Industrial processes
  - Mass producible and cheap (large areas)
  - Minimize interconnects
- Interesting times ahead ...



### **SPiDeR**

- CALICE-UK and LCFI got canceled by STFC
  - despite being major players in the pixel world
  - big innovations
- UK Pixel Community made a new proposal
- SPiDerR (Silicon Pixel Detector R&D)
  - Birmingham, Bristol, Imperial College, Oxford and RAL
- 3 year Program
  - Generic Pixel R&D (TPAC, new structures)
  - *Generic* Techniques using Pixels (DECAL)
- stay tuned



### Summary

- If you like to know more ...
  - The ILC R&D reviews are an excellent summary of the activities
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## Who is doing what

- LCFI (UK collaboration)
  - CPCCD/ISIS
- FPCCD group
  - FPCCD
- DEPFET Collaboration
  - DEPFET
- LBNL/INFN/Purdue
  - MAPS/SoI MAPS
- Fermilab
  - SoI MAPS/3D Pixels

- CALICE-UK
  - MAPS (TPAC)
- CMOS-VD
  - MAPS (MIMOSA)
- Hawaii
  - CAP

