# IR Transparent Si microstrips

### (alignment optimized Si sensors)



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# IR track alignment

• Aim: align Si microstrip sensors using IR laser tracks



• Higher  $%T \Rightarrow$  simpler implementation of the system:

Transmittance	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
Traversed	30	15	10	7	5	4

- System features:
  - Laser intensity~200 MiPS  $\Rightarrow$  sharing same DAQ as Si detector
  - Silicon modules are directly monitored, **no external fiducial marks**



# An idea that works ...



AMS-01 innovation (W. Wallraff)

- $\lambda = 1082$  nm, 110  $\mu$ m RO pitch
- IR "pseudotracks"
- 1-2 µm accuracy obtained

Transmittance~ 50%





 $\lambda = 1075 \text{ nm}$ 



- Some sensors need to be operated in saturation
  - 100 μm reconstruction error needed for L1 trigger





## SiLC HPK alignment sensors





Set of 5 sensors out of a batch of 30 sensors produced by HPK.



3 used for SiLC alignment test beam prototype (Dec 08): LPHNE's SiTr-130-88 chip



2 used for **SiLC test beam (Aug 09):** APV25 readout by HEPHY

Note: Using CMS sensor optical design T[ $\lambda$ =1060 nm] ~16%

# Constraints for maximum %T

• Developed <u>full simulation</u> of light propagation through sensor multilayer. <u>Diffraction</u> by strips taken into account (first time such detailed simulation has been done). Details in Eudet-Memo-2008-37

- Transmittance depends mostly on pitch over strip width
- Idea to boost %T:
  - 1) Choose optimal layout (sw/pitch=10%)
  - 2) Use passivation (=SiO<sub>2</sub>+Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>) as an AntiReflection Coating (ARC)
- Recipe for production process:

Deposit each layer and measure its thickness (design thickness tolerance ≤5%)

Correct last Si3N4 layer if needed, according to plots like:



CNM sensors (GICSERV08)

- Prototypes built by CNM-Barcelona (Spain)
- Aims:
- Test %T vs multigeometry
- Use optical test structures (continuous layers) to extract refraction index and control deposition
- Test of electrical test structures



• 5+1 wafers

12 µstrip detectors
 per wafer (6 with
 intermediate strips,
 without metal
 contacts)

- 50 μm RO pitch
  (25 μm interm. strip)
- 256 RO strips
- 1.5 cm length
  varying strip width
  (3,5,10,15 μm)

- Mask designed by **D. Bassignana** (CNM)
- Electronic test structures designed by **M. Dragicevic** (Vienna) including: CAP TS AC, CAP TS DC, CMS Diode, MOS, GCD, Sheet
- Optical test structures available (Si, Si+p<sup>+</sup>,SiO<sub>2</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub>+passivation)

# Production progress

- Production started on 11<sup>th</sup> of May 09
- All processes done until deposition of 1<sup>st</sup> passivation layer (end of July 09)
- Thickness of all layers measured after each deposition
- For the 1<sup>st</sup> batch, we decided to hold the production just before deposition of the last passivation layer. Like this we can measure the wafer at an intermediate step
- Optical measurements were taken by end of July
  - Test structures (no internal structure)
  - Sensors (strips  $\Rightarrow$  diffraction)

- NIR spectrophotometer used for Optical measurements
  - --- %T : Measures spectrum with sample in/out
  - --- %R: Comparison against calibrated reflector



#### **Top and bottom SiO2 passivation thickness measurements**

Wafer 1 top SiO2 passivation thickness (nm)

Wafer 1 bottom SiO2 passivation thickness (nm)



- Aluminum (not shown) also measured
- All materials within requested 5% tolerance thickness

#### WAFER 1: Measured optical test structures vs simulated



• Test structures simulated (no fit involved)

n<sup>+</sup> and p<sup>+</sup> taken optically
 identical to Si

• 1<sup>st</sup> result: Transmittance of Si can be increased by ~30% with just 2 layers of 1 pr SiO2

New parametrization

for SiO2 refr. index used !!!



# Photometric measurements of transparent microstrip detectors prior to last Si3N4 deposition

This is a control measurement before completion of sensor Last passivation layer(s) top and bottom Si3N4 determine overall transmittance









#### WAFER 1: Measured sensor vs simulated

• Diffraction orders:



• Plots show cummulative %T distribution up to 38 diffraction orders. For example:  $T[2]=T[order 0]+T[o=\pm 1]+T[o=\pm 2]$ 

 Our calculation overestimates %T. Why? (see next page)



#### **Diffraction: Far field calculation**

Geometrical acceptance problem. Due to limited size of the sensing optics, not all radiation is captured  $\Rightarrow$  Update simulation to account for this effect (work in progress)







- IR tracks useful to align selected sensors. Higher %T needed to simplify system
- We are after a simple production process that can be easily implemented by large scale producer
  - Passivation=ARC
  - Layers deposited to 5% thickness tolerance
- 5+1 wafers with multigeometry sensors produced. Production stopped (foreseen) for control
   New SiO2 parametrization was needed
- Deposition tolerance at CNM is remarkable. Better than 5% in almost all layers
- Measurements of %T and %R were done
  - Simulated continuous optical test structures very close to measurements
  - Working on full sensor simulation

# BACKUP

#### Framework and objectives

SITRA is one of the tasks of the Joint Research Activitiy JRA2 of EUDET.



**These institutes, together with many other form the the SiLC** (Silicon for the Linear Collider) collaboration, which is a **generic R&D collaboration** to develop the next generation of large area Silicon Detectors for the ILC. It applies to all detector concepts and gathers teams from all proto-collaborations.

The main goal of SITRA within the EUDET project is to develop and install a test beam infrastructure based on silicon tracking detectors.

The role of IFCA within the SITRA task is to beam-test a prototype of the alignment system to work out the alignment challenges, the distortions handling and calibrations for the overall tracking system. The alignment prototype will be based on a system developed for LHC, using laser beam and Si sensors to measure the detector position with high precision. (from EUDET Annex 1 documentation, pg. 45)





SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

Annex I - "Description of Work"

Project acronym: EUDET Project full title: Detector R&D towards the International Linear Collider

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Can observed difference be due to thickness measurement error?

No (as long as measurement error < 5 nm)

Observed that 5 nm error on SiO2 influences much more than 5  $\mu$ m error on Si



Can observed difference be due to refraction index scaling?

Maybe... (if we allow n(SiO<sub>2</sub>) change of 2.5%)



Propagation angle of diffraction order i:  $\theta_i$ sin $\theta_i$  = sin $\theta$  + i  $\lambda/(n_{siO2}p)$ 

#### Notes:

- First diffraction order falls 5.3 mm away from normal
- We have a 1.5 mm diameter pinhole at the measurement plane



### Simulation of planeparallel structures



# • Simple simulation: multiple reflections $\Rightarrow$ interferences $\Rightarrow$ Calculation of (T,R)

Refraction index either tabulated or modeled using dispersion relations

$$n(\lambda), k(\lambda), d_i \implies \mathbf{T}_{calc}, \ \mathbf{R}_{calc} = f[n(\lambda), k(\lambda), d_i]$$
  
(i=1...Number of layers)

— Or solve the **inverse problem**:

$$\mathbf{T}_{meas}$$
,  $\mathbf{R}_{meas} = f[n(\lambda), k(\lambda), d_{i}] \Rightarrow n(\lambda), k(\lambda), d_{i}$ 

using non-linear least squares fit

 Inverse method used to characterize material samples from CNM





# Full optical simulation



- Microstrip layer is not continuous.
- Interferences alone do not describe measured spectra. Needed to account for **diffraction**
- Fresnel and Fraunhoffer approximations for diffraction not applicable here, because some layers are transparent..

#### Then:

- Solve Maxwell equations rigorously
- Using **RCWA method** (see <u>EUDET-memo-2008-37</u>):
  - Fields expressed as Fourier expansions
  - RODIS software for diffraction efficiency at any order.



Measurement of CNM diffraction sample

• CNM produced a simple wafer to test the simulation, using GICSERV07 access.





Optimization constraints

— Study done at 2 different wavelengths:

1) Readily available IR laser wavelength  $\lambda$ =1085 nm

2) longer (exotic) wavelength  $\lambda$ =1100 nm (higher transmittance of Si).

— Fixed readout pitch (SiLC baseline+Beetle chip) is 50 μm. One intermediate strip What is the best strip width?



— Repeatability on the deposited thickness of a material is a percentage of its thickness.
 So the thicker the material is, the worse accuracy on thickness achieved