

# Fast Timing in Higgs Factory Detectors

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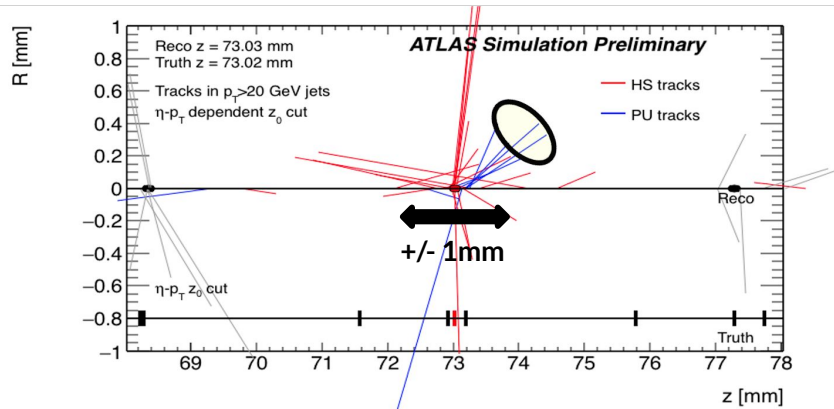
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# Introduction

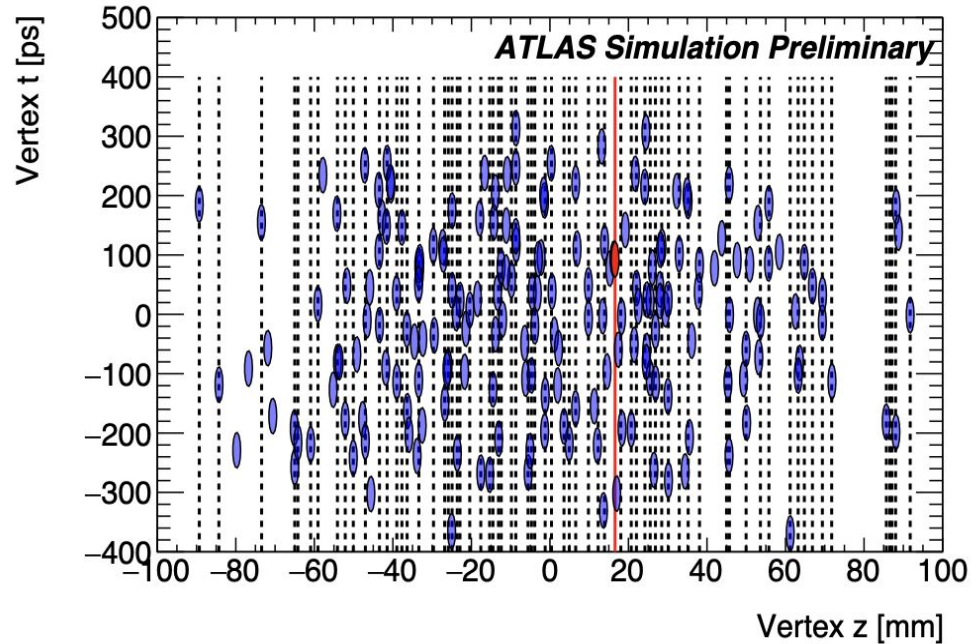
- **While the use of timing in collider detectors has a long history, precision timing at the level of 10-30ps is a new capability for the next generation of particle physics detectors at all future colliders**
  - Address the increasing complexity of events at hadron colliders
    - 4D trackers to resolve vertices at very high pileup densities
  - Identify long-lived particles (LLPs) and expand the reach for new phenomena
  - Enable particle ID capabilities at low momentum
  - Improve calorimetry measurements (PFA and jet energy resolution)
  - Suppress out-of-time beam Induced backgrounds (muon collider)
- **R&D to investigate the full potential of fast timing detectors in future Higgs Factories is an exciting opportunity for the particle physics community**

# Fast Timing at the HL-LHC



At the HL-LHC, the typical separation between vertices can be comparable to the track longitudinal impact parameter resolution: **the association of tracks to vertices becomes ambiguous!**

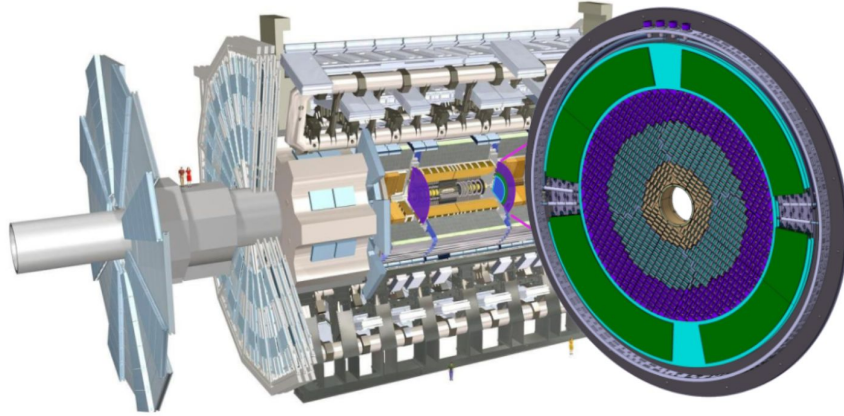
**Exploit the time spread of collisions to reduce pileup contamination**



**Nominal HL-LHC Luminous region  $\sigma_t = 180$ ps (30ps detector)  $\rightarrow 30/180 = 6x$  pile-up rejection**

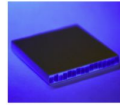
# ATLAS and CMS

## ALIAS HGTD



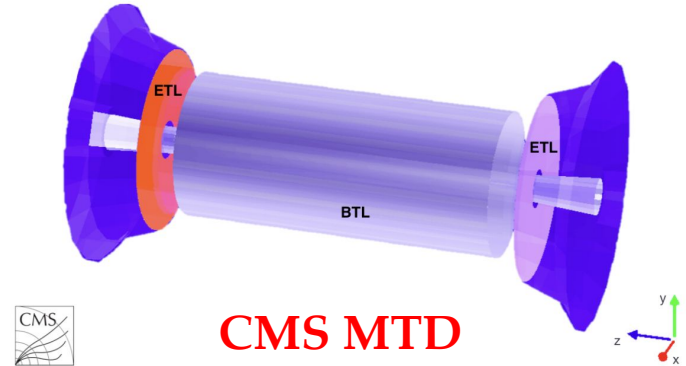
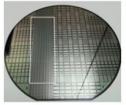
### BTL: LYSO bars + SiPM readout:

- TK / ECAL interface:  $|n| < 1.45$
- Inner radius: 1148 mm (40 mm thick)
- Length:  $\pm 2.6$  m along z
- Surface  $\sim 38$  m<sup>2</sup>; 332k channels
- Fluence at 4 ab<sup>-1</sup>:  $2 \times 10^{14}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>



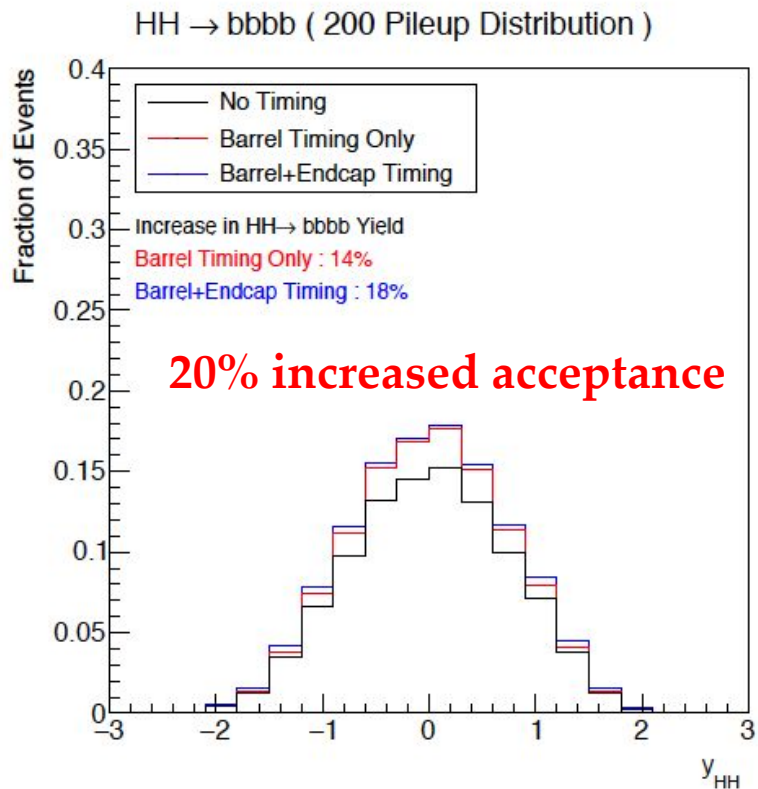
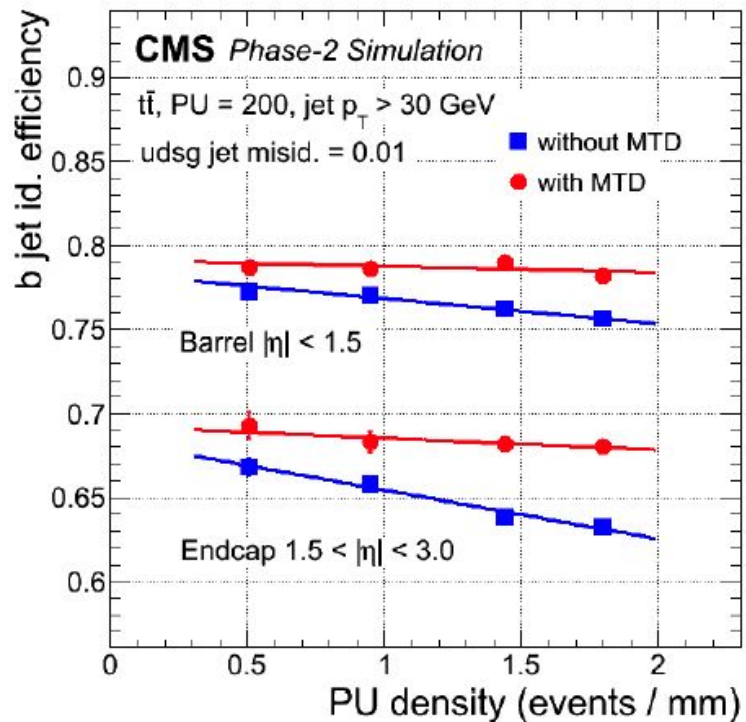
### ETL: Si with internal gain (LGAD):

- On the CE nose:  $1.6 < |n| < 3.0$
- Radius:  $315 < R < 1200$  mm
- Position in z:  $\pm 3.0$  m (45 mm thick)
- Surface  $\sim 14$  m<sup>2</sup>;  $\sim 8.5$ M channels
- Fluence at 4 ab<sup>-1</sup>: up to  $2 \times 10^{15}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>

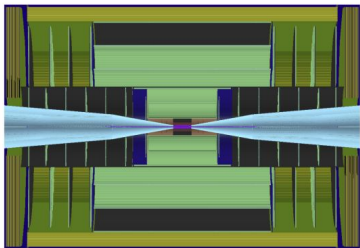


- LGAD sensors in the endcap/forward regions ( $1.3 \times 1.3$  mm<sup>2</sup>)
- Crystals and SiPM readout in the barrel central region
- $\sim 30$ ps time resolution per track
- ATLAS improves forward VBF final states (pileup suppression, lepton isolation)
- CMS hermetic coverage improves b-tagging, LLP, and provides PID capabilities
- **Precursors to future timing layers in collider experiments**

# Physics impact: Di-Higgs

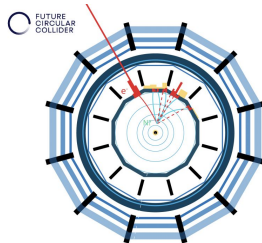
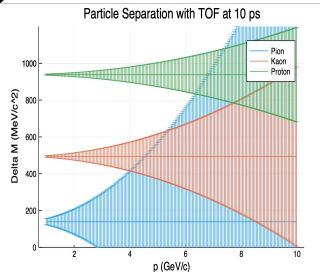


# Fast timing in Higgs Factories



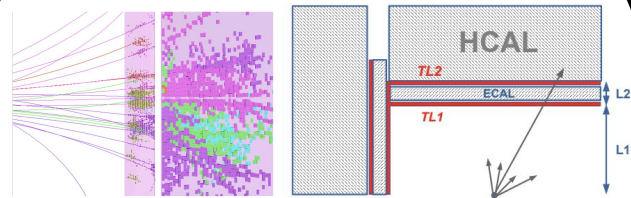
Suppression of beam induced backgrounds at muon colliders

**Full 4D tracking**



Time of Flight for Particle ID at low momentum and Long Lived particles

**Timing layers**

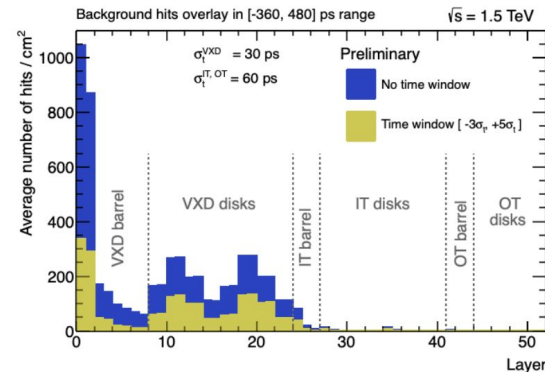
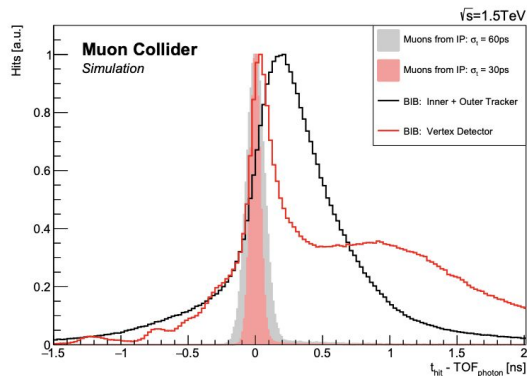
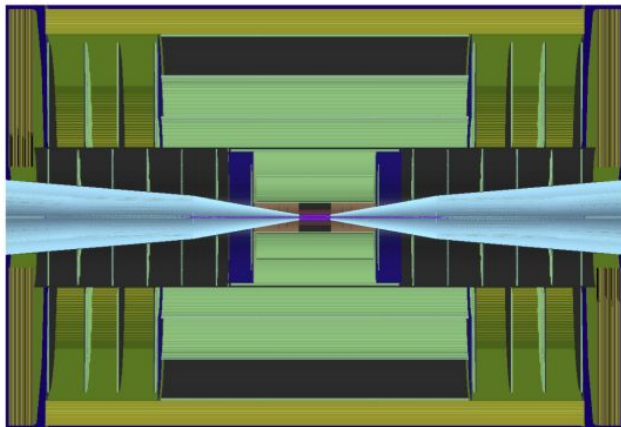


Exploit the time structure of hadronic showers to enhance PFA and improve jet energy resolution

**5D Calorimetry**

Timing layers or volumetric timing

# Muon Collider: 4D Tracking



**Full 4D tracking design to address the challenge of Beam Induced Backgrounds**

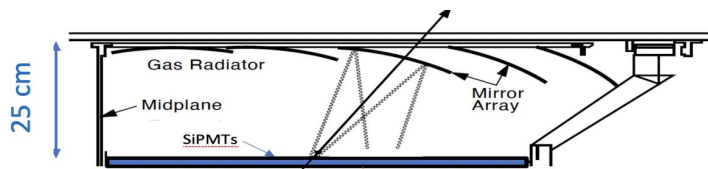
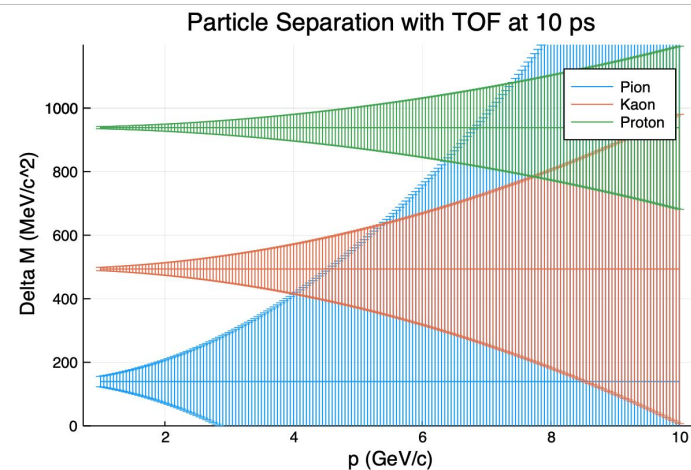
- Picosecond timing plays a key role reducing the hit densities from BIB (10 x HL-LHC!)
- Large number of hit combinations create a challenge for tracking pattern recognition
- **Timing information reduces hit densities by a factor of 2**

	Vertex Detector	Inner Tracker	Outer Tracker
Cell type	pixels	macropixels	microstrips
Cell Size	$25\mu\text{m} \times 25\mu\text{m}$	$50\mu\text{m} \times 1\text{mm}$	$50\mu\text{m} \times 10\text{mm}$
Sensor Thickness	$50\mu\text{m}$	$100\mu\text{m}$	$100\mu\text{m}$
Time Resolution	30ps	60ps	60ps
Spatial Resolution	$5\mu\text{m} \times 5\mu\text{m}$	$7\mu\text{m} \times 90\mu\text{m}$	$7\mu\text{m} \times 90\mu\text{m}$

# ToF: Particle ID

Updating the SiD Detector  
concept [Breidenbach, et. al.]

- Large-radius timing layers in the in front of the calorimeter can provide **Time-of-Flight (ToF) for PID**
  - Flavour physics
- Need 10ps resolution for K/pi separation at low momentum (up to ~3-4 GeV)
- **Complements other PID sub-detectors in the low momentum region**
  - RICH detector for high (10-50 GeV) momentum
    - Strange tagging for  $H \rightarrow s\bar{s}$
    - Fast-timing ( $\sim 100$ ps) for background suppression



[Strange quark as a probe for new physics in the Higgs sector, I. Va'vra, et.al.](#)

[A gaseous RICH detector for SiD or ILD](#) 8



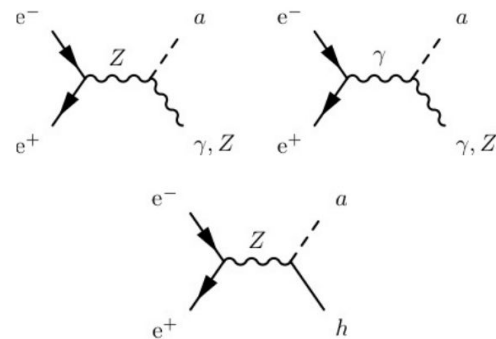
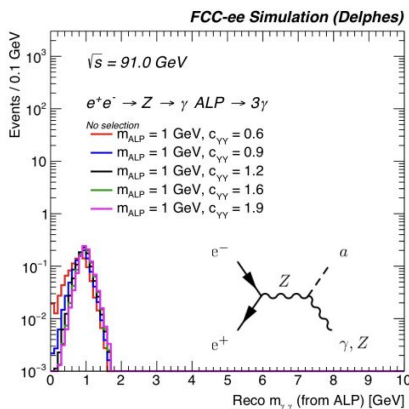
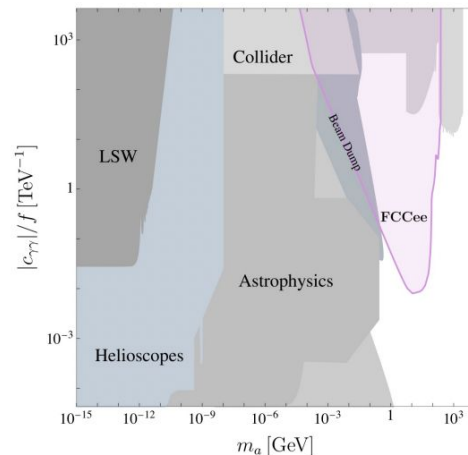
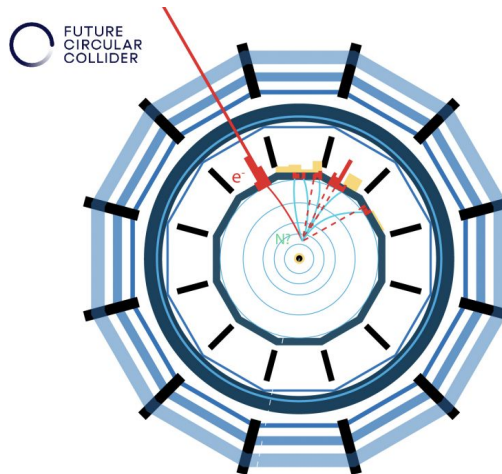
# ToF: Long Lived Particles

Exploit high luminosity Z run of FCC-ee to search for LLP:

- Heavy Neutral Leptons
- Axion-like particles
- Exotic Higgs decays

Timing information:

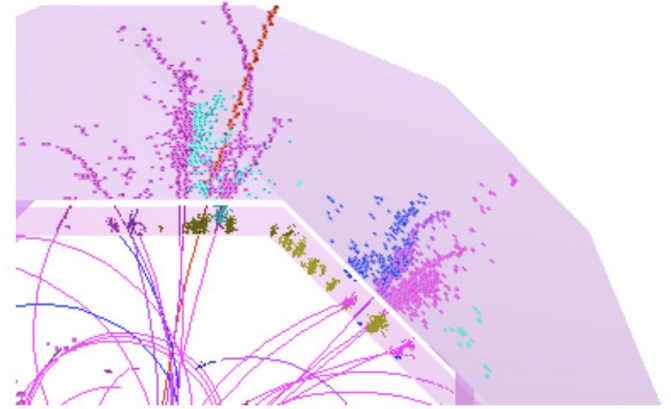
- Simultaneous determination of mass and proper decay time combining decay path and ToF
- Combine with displaced vertex reconstruction for enhanced performance



# 5D Calorimetry

Precision timing for collider-experiment-based calorimetry [Chekanov, et. al.]

- **Performance of particle flow reconstruction depends on the ability to associate showers to particles**
  - Challenging when showers overlap in space
- **Precision timing information can help resolve close-by particles, exploiting the full space-time structure of showers, improving the jet energy resolution**
  - separate delayed shower components from neutron induced processes
  - resolve track-cluster associations following shower development cell-to-cell (PFA pattern recognition)

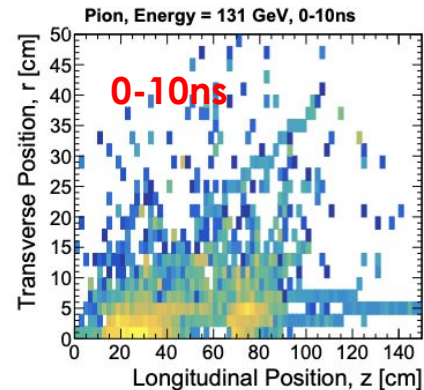
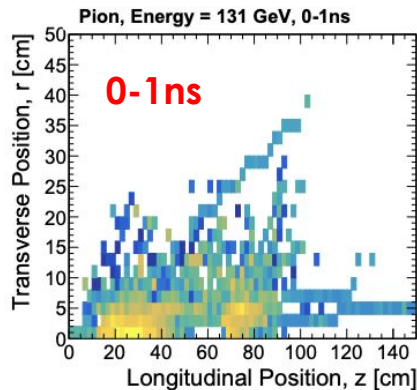
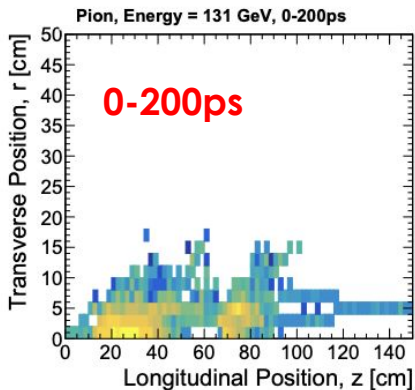
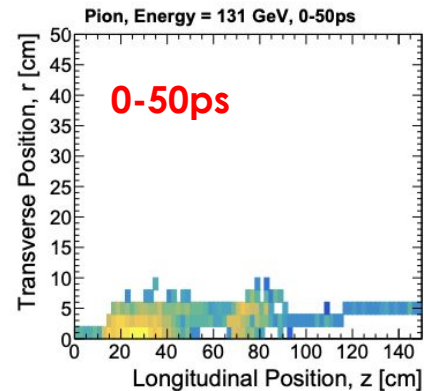
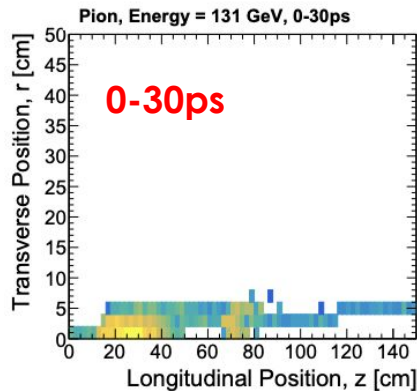
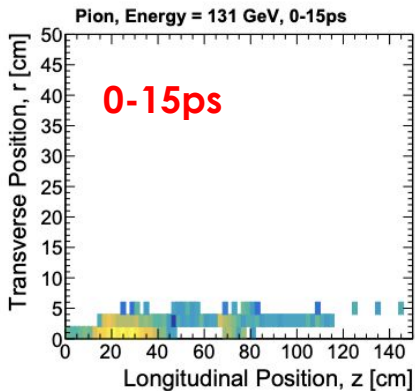


## Different approaches:

- Volume (cell-level) timing
- Dedicated timing cells
- Timing layers within the calorimeter

# 5D Calorimetry

On the Use of Neural Networks for Energy Reconstruction in High-granularity Calorimeters [Akchurin, et. al.]



# Time-assisted software compensation

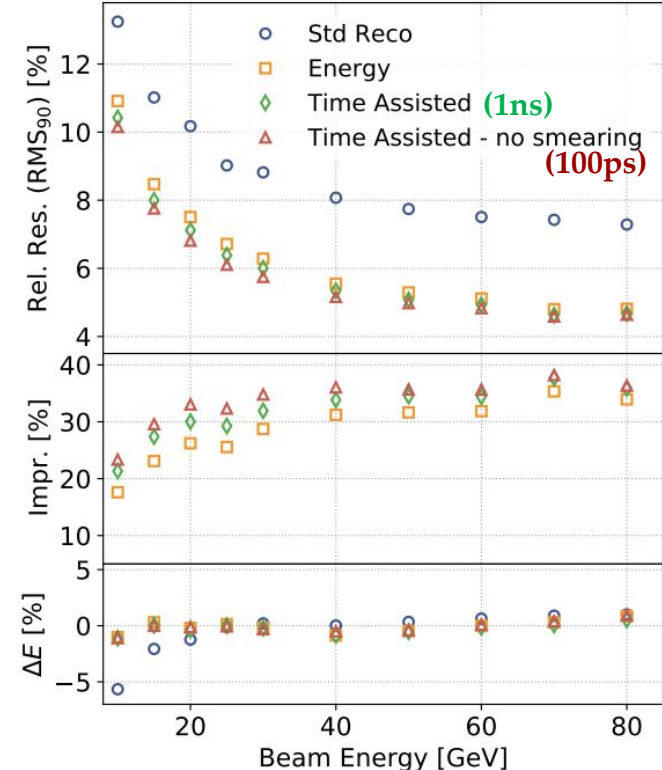
Time-assisted energy reconstruction in a highly-granular hadronic calorimeter Christian [Graf, Simon]

- CALICE AHCAL LTP
  - cell-by-cell time measurement for full 5D reconstruction of particle showers
- Local software compensation incorporating time:

$$E_{\text{reco}}^{\text{local}} = \sum e_j w(e_j, E_{\text{std}})$$

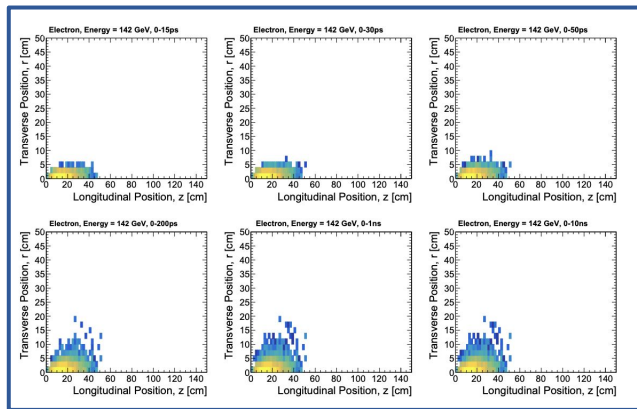
split 14 energy bins in  $t < 3\text{ns}$  and  $t > 3\text{ns}$

- **Use of (local) timing information in highly-granular hadronic calorimeters improves the energy resolution**
- Simple algorithm: expect Machine Learning techniques exploiting full 5D reconstruction will enable further improvements

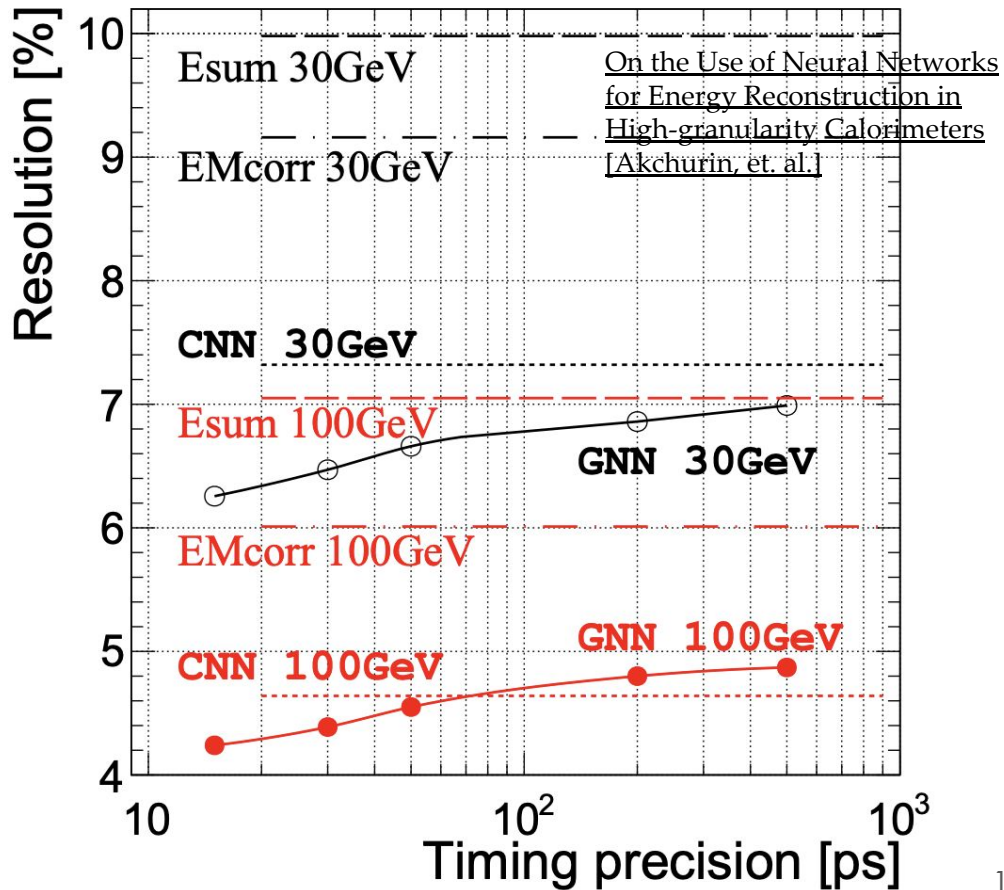
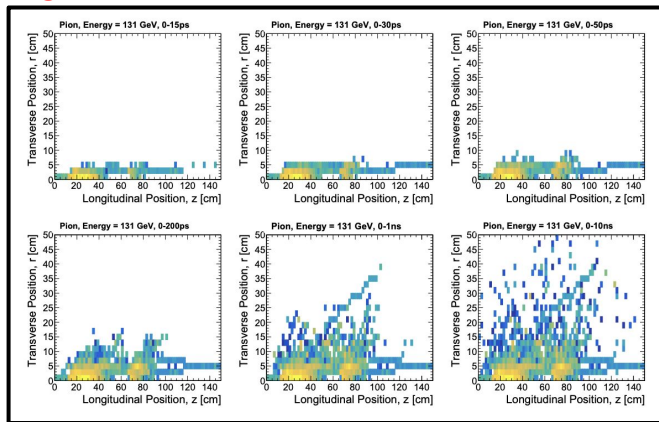


# Graph Neural Network

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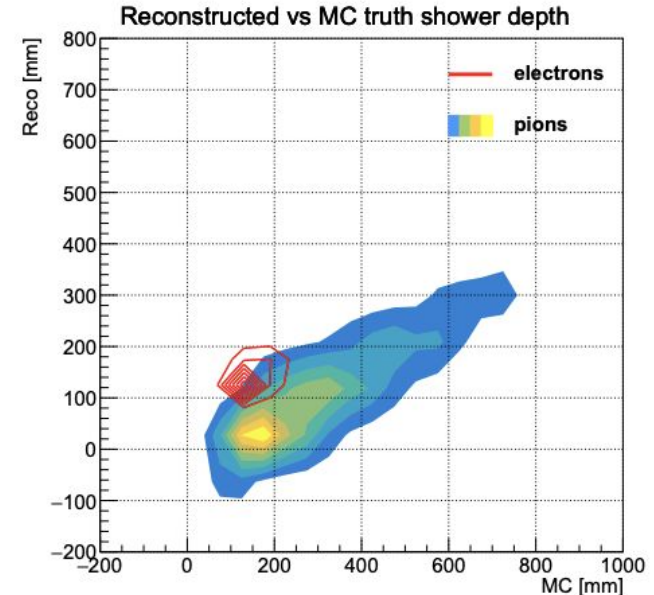
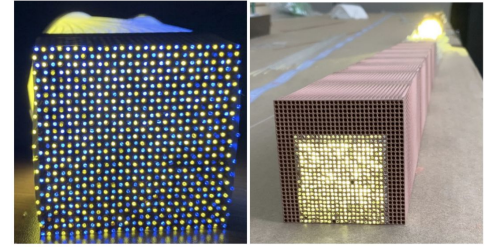


charged pion



# Longitudinal segmentation by timing in dual-readout fiber calorimeters

- Optical fibers inserted longitudinally and attached to SiPMs at the rear end
  - Energy deposits closer to the readout lead to shorter propagation times
- Utilize the entire timing structure of the electronic pulse with digital processing methods
- **Timing information at the level of 10ps can effectively segment longitudinally fiber calorimeters, providing new capabilities for shower shape reconstruction**



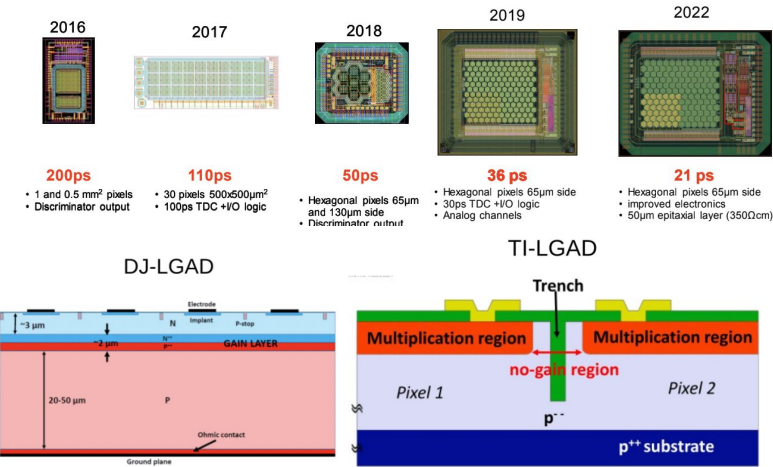
[Reconstruction of 3D Shower Shape with the Dual-Readout Calorimeter, Sanghyun Ko, Hwidong Yoo, Seungkyu Ha](#)

# Detector Technologies

- **Timing layers / 4D tracking:**

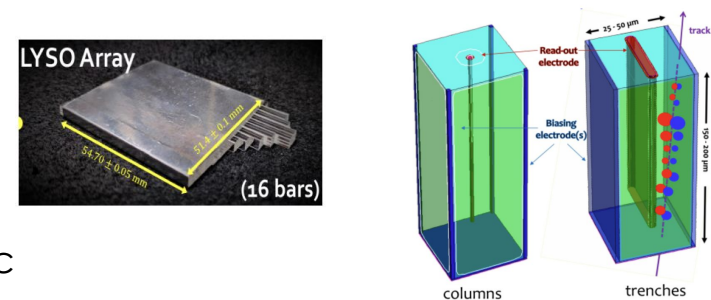
- (LYSO) Crystals + SiMPS (timing layers)
- Silicon sensors (timing layers / 4D tracking)
  - **Advanced LGADs** with  $O(10\text{ps})$  and  $O(10\mu\text{m})$  resolution
    - AC-LGAD, TI-LGAD, DJ-LGAD, Buried LGAD, DS-LGAD
  - **Monolithic CMOS**
    - LGAD MAPS, miniCACTUS, PicoAD, Monolith, HV-CMOS, DMAPS
- Silicon Carbide LGADs
- 3D silicon sensors

Monolithic prototypes with SiGe BiCMOS



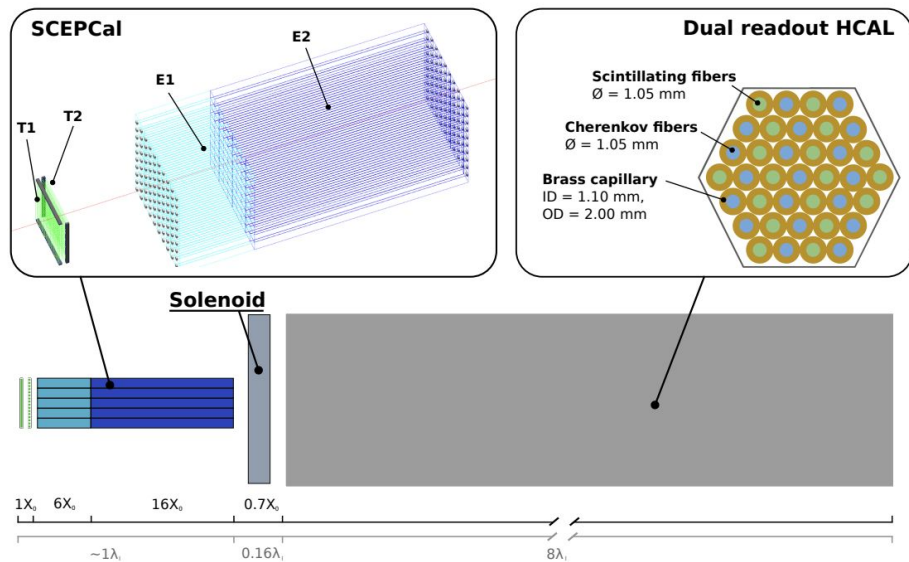
- **Volume calorimeter timing:**

- LGAD or Silicon pads in Si+W calorimeter (CMS HGCAL)
- Highly granular crystals
- Plastic scintillator tiles or strips + SiPMs
- RPC can cover large active areas for digital hadronic calorimeters (SDHCAL CALICE)



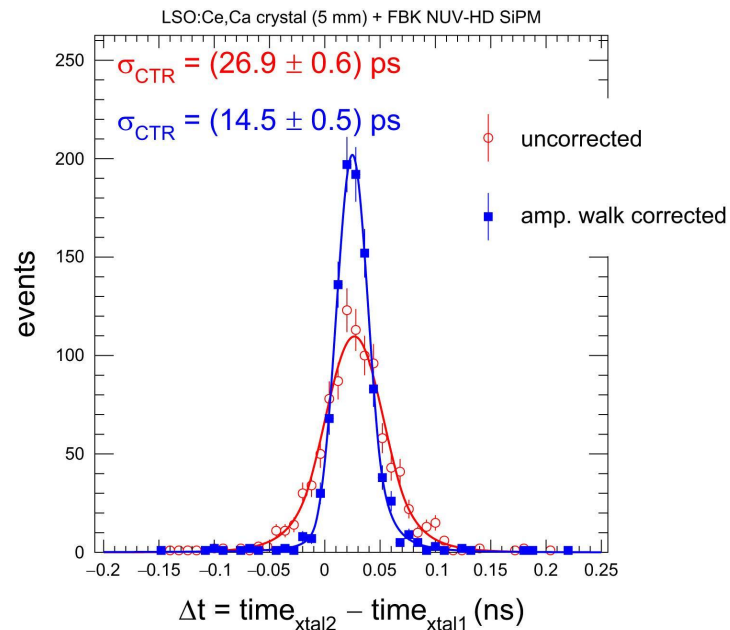
# Timing layers: Crystals

New perspectives on segmented crystal calorimeters for future colliders  
[Lucchini, et. al.]



- **Hybrid segmented dual-readout calorimeter**

- Two thin timing layers in front of EM calorimeter to measure **MIPs with 20ps resolution**
- Provides ToF particle ID at low momentum
- Timing layers integrated within calorimeter

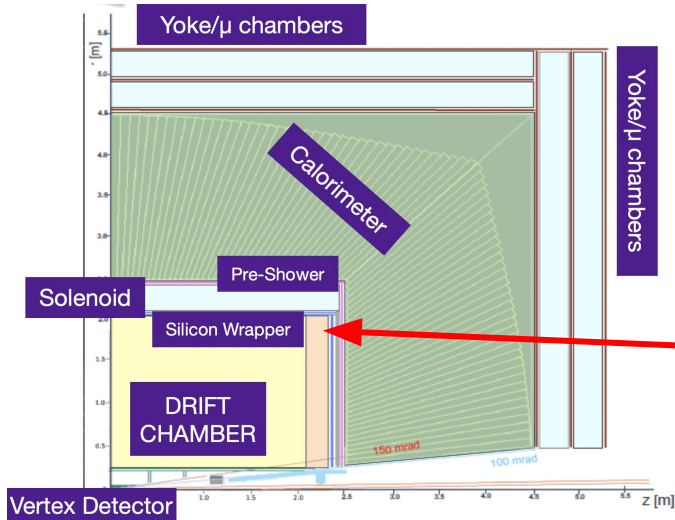


Detection of high energy muons with sub-20 ps timing resolution using L(Y)SO crystals and SiPM readout [Benaglia, et. al.]



# Timing layers: Silicon

FCC-ee IDEA



Silicon Wrapper

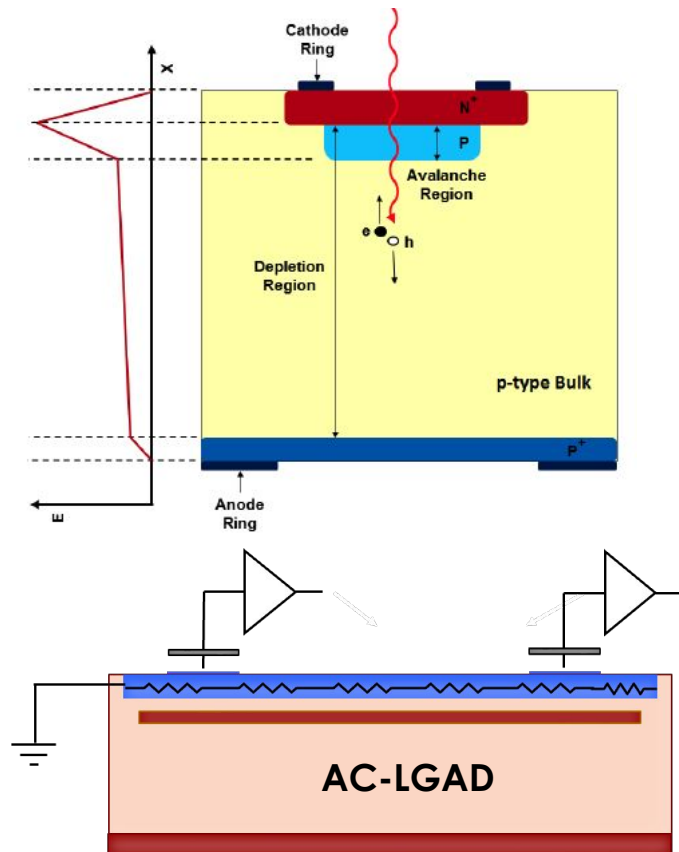
FCC-ee Novel Liquid ECAL based



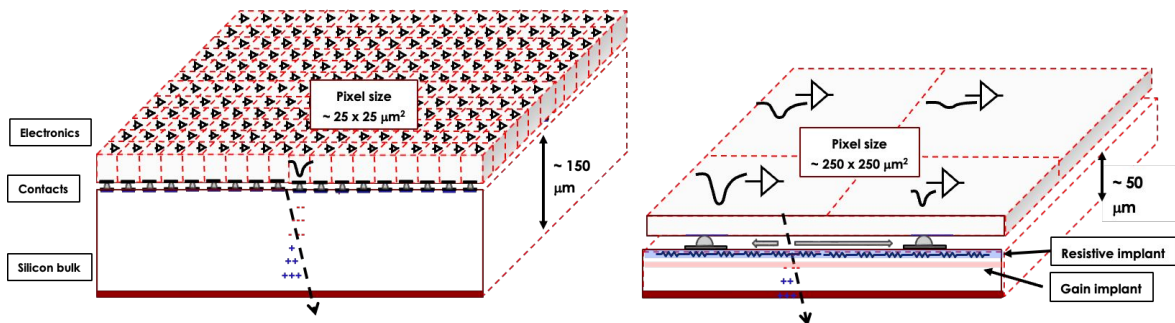
- **Silicon Wrapper detectors in FCC-ee detector concepts**
  - ToF particle ID, LLP
  - Several silicon sensor options being explored

# LGAD sensors

- **Thin silicon sensors with modest intrinsic gain (5-50) provided by a doped p+ multiplication layer**
  - thin: reduces Landau fluctuations
  - high S/B from internal gain
  - short rise time minimizes jitter
  - 30ps resolution sensors used in ATLAS and CMS HL-LHC endcap timing layer upgrades
- Standard LGADs require mm-size pads and require junction termination extensions to interrupt the gain between channels introducing inactive regions
- **Advanced LGAD designs**
  - Resistive silicon detector (AC-LGAD), Trench-isolated, Deep junction, Buried layers, ...



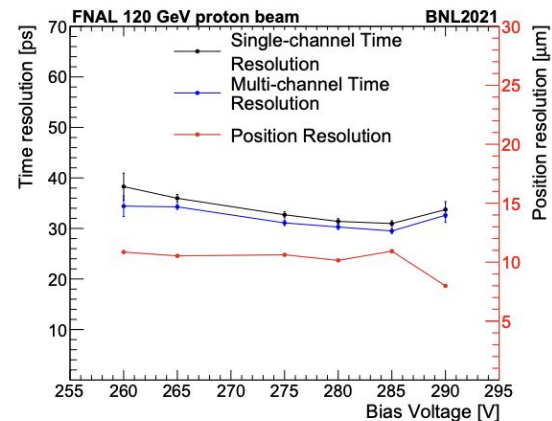
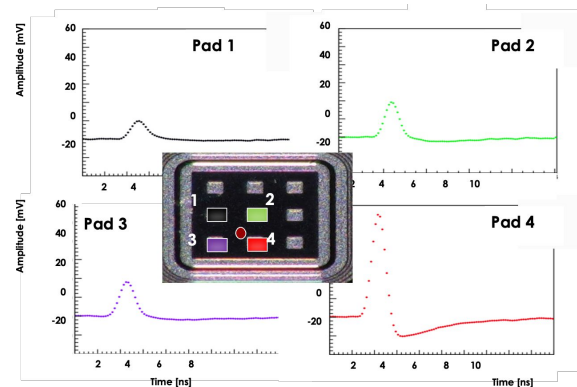
# AC-LGAD



Standard Tracker

RSD-based tracker

- Replace many p-n diodes by a single one
- The n-doped implant is resistive and acts as a signal divider (**100% fill factor**)
- Charge sharing enables **precise position resolution** ( $5\text{-}10\mu\text{m}$ )
- For the same spatial resolution, the **number of pixels is reduced** by 50-100
  - **Much lower power consumption:** could be air-cooled ( $0.1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ) depending on electronics



Characterization of BNL and HPK AC-LGAD sensors with a 120 GeV proton beam [Heller, et. al.]

# Electronics and System Design

- **The development of fast electronics is a critical element for realizing large-scale detectors**
  - impacts cooling and mechanics which can deteriorate performance in space/time
- HL-LHC timing ASICs are a revolutionary step forward to bring ps timing to collider experiments, applying similar techniques at Higgs Factories present **many challenges**:
  - High granularity → **ASICs with smaller pixel sizes**, maintaining power consumption
  - Including the required electronics for timing extraction (TDCs and memories) in pixel pitches of  $O(10\mu\text{m})$  → **adoption of deeper low power and fast nodes beyond 65nm**
  - The entire pixel electronics will need to be designed with **low power techniques and novel timing extraction architectures**
  - **Clock distribution**

Electronics for Fast Timing [Braga, et. al.]

- **System design:**
  - The fine spatial resolution demands towards low material budget and low power may require a mix of layers with different balance of spatial and time resolutions or a combination of 3D + 1D timing layers
  - Full-scale calorimeters with 10ps resolution in each cell can be very challenging. Alternatives include dedicated time-cells, or timing layers within the calorimeter

Name	Sensor	Node [nm]	Pixel size [ $\mu\text{m}^2$ ]	Temporal precision [ps]	Power [W/cm <sup>2</sup> ]
ETROC	LGAD	65	1300x1300	~ 40	0.3
ALTIROC	LGAD	130	1300x1300	~ 40	0.4
TDCpix	PIN	130	300x300	~ 120	0.32 matrix + 4.8 periphery
TIMEPIX4	PIN, 3D	65	55x55	~ 200	0.4 analog + 0.3 digital
TimeSpot1	3D	28	55x55	~ 30 ps	3-5
FASTPIX	MAPS	180	20x20	~ 130	5-10
miniCACTUS	MAPS	150	500x1000	~ 90	0.15 – 0.3
MonPicoAD	MAPS	130 SiGe	100x100	~ 36	1.8
Monolith	Multi Junct. MAPS	130 SiGe	100x100	~ 25	0.9

[4D Tracking: Present Status and Perspective, N. Cartiglia, et. al.](#)

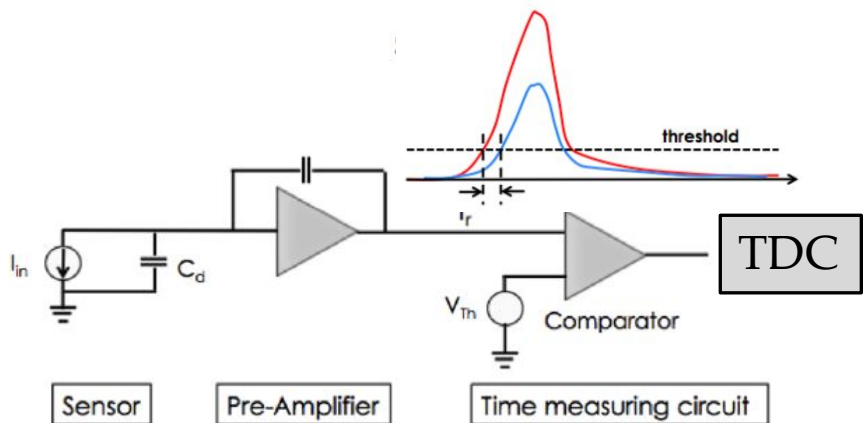
# Summary

- **Fast timing capabilities present an exciting opportunity for the next generation of detectors at Higgs Factories**
  - **4D Tracking** will be crucial to suppress BIB at Muon Colliders
  - **Timing layers** can enhance particle identification and long lived particle searches
  - **5D Calorimetry** can improve Particle Flow reconstruction and jet energy resolution
- **Many technologies exist and new are under active development, but significant R&D is required to address the multiple challenges of integrating fast timing in realistic detector concepts**
  - Electronics (power consumption, granularity, novel timing extraction architectures), clock distribution, and system design

# Backup

# Time resolution

$$\sigma_t^2 = \sigma_{Landau}^2 + \sigma_{timewalk}^2 + \sigma_{jitter}^2 + \sigma_{TDC}^2 + \sigma_{clock}^2$$



**Key to precision timing:** Large signal with short rise time and low noise (reduce jitter), limited thickness (reduce Landau), and small TDC bin size (reduce TDC component)

- Time walk

- Variable threshold (CFD)
- Correction based on TOT

$$\sigma_{jitter} = \frac{N}{\frac{dV}{dt}} \propto \frac{t_{rise}}{S/N}$$

- TDC quantization error (bin size)

- ATLAS/CMS 20-30ps ToA
- ATLAS/CMS 40-100ps TOT
- $\sigma_{TDC} = \frac{binsize}{\sqrt{12}} \sim 7ps$