



The High Granularity Timing Detector of the ATLAS Experiment

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LHC and HL-LHC



- Increase of the luminosity -> Upgrade : HL-LHC (2019 and 2024)
- More luminosity -> see signal with a smaller cross section
- HL-LHC : Instantaneous luminosity : $L \approx 5 \times 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ Integrated luminosity (2037) : $\int L \approx 3000 fb^{-1}$

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Simulation of the pile up in Atlas for 200 events



- Pile-up : interaction happening during the same bunch crossing as the event we are interested in
- Create track and calorimeter cluster that could be associated by error to the event of interests
- Affect the signal reconstruction and can create fakes
- Increase of the instantaneous luminosity -> increase of the pile up
- Run2: 20-60 pile up interaction in ATLAS (per bunch crossing)
- HL-LHC : 200 pile up interaction in ATLAS



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Precise timing measurement ?

- Silicon based detector (PN junction)
- Particle go through the detector -> creation of electrons-holes pairs
- The drifting of those pairs create the signal
- Timing resolution inversely proportional to (Signal/background)
- LGAD sensors : Silicon detector with a gain : extra PN junction in the detector -> high electric field -> showering -> Gain
- Expected time resolution : 30 ps (60 ps after irradiation)

Principe of the timing measurement

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Hits multiplicity

- Single muons with a flat distribution in R have been used to study the hit multiplicity in the detector
- More hits need at low radius to balance the timing resolution -> Study of the hit multiplicity
- Result consistent with the one obtain previously :
 - ~2 hits at large radius (R>320 mm)
 - ~3 hits at low radius (R<320 mm)
- Oscillation at low radius : period ≈ module size
- For different radius the timing resolution is computed : it is the sigma of the distribution of t_{reco} – t_{truth}

Pileup-jet rejection

- Rejection of pile-up jets done using R_{pt} (PU -> low R_{pt}) $R_{PT} = \frac{\sum P_T^{track}}{P_T^{Jet}}$
- Effect of the R_{pt} reduce for high PU
- Use the HGTD to remove the track not in time with the primary vertex
- Recover the barrel performance of R_{pt} in the endcaps

TK + HGTD / ITK

b-tagging

- Studies of H->bb need a way to identify jets coming from b -> b-tagging
- *b*-jets -> displaced vertex -> large z₀ window -> very sensitive to pileuptrack contamination
- HGTD -> reduction of the PU contamination -> Improvement of the *b*-tagging efficiency

Isolation des Leptons

- Pileup-robust when using only tracks from primary vertex
- Not robust to merged/close-by vertices
- HGTD can mitigate the merged vertices problem by associating a time to each track
- Computed with full simulation and different time resolution

- Track isolation used in many analysis with leptons to fight QCD background
- Isolated lepton -> Lepton that come from the studied process (and not from showering)

Conclusion

Timing information can enhance the ATLAS detector capabilities under HL-LHC conditions :

- Assigning time to tracks can improve offline physics
 - Lepton isolation, *b*-tagging, pileup-rejection ...
- Can also be used for luminosity mesurement, studies of non-collision beam background, ...

The HGTD was optimise to minimise the inefficiency and the timing resolution for each tracks

- Helix_2 geometry with two layer which are mirror image of each other
- Sensor on both side of the cooling plate with an overlap of 80% for R<320 mm and 20% for R>320 mm

This detector as been officially approved as an Atlas Phase-II upgrade Project last March.

Backup

Forward detector

- Forward detector : 2.4 < |η| < 4 (between 2° and 10° from the beam axis)
- In the forward region the resolution of the tracker on the position of the vertices decrease
- It is much more likely to have merged vertex in this region
 - Forward detector :
 - Useful for the VBF production of the Higgs in which the Higgs is produced with 2 forward jets
 - Can be use to increase the η region in which some analysis are perform
 - Can provide luminosity measurement that can improve all the analysis

Layers Geometry

- Illustration of the implementation of the HGTD in the simulation
- Each black rectangle correspond to a modules. The with space correspond to the noninstrumented region
- Inter modules dead zones as function of the radius :
 - 4 mm for 80% overlap
 - 16 mm for 20% overlap

Dead zones in the HGTD

- Between each stave there is a 1 mm dead zones
- Between each half circle there is a 3 mm dead zones (in the simulation one between each quadrant)
- Dead zones align between layer 1 and 2 -> the particle can be completely lost -> mirror symmetry between the two layer
- 0,7% of the muons with a flat distribution in eta go through the detector without interacting

Hits multiplicity

- Single muons with a flat distribution in R have been used to study the hit multiplicity in the detector
- 3 overlap scenarios :
 - 20% overlap everywhere
 - 20% overlap for R>320 mm and 50% for R<320 mm
 - 20% overlap for R>320 mm and 80% for R<320 mm

Number of layers

- Number of hits per track in the HGTD as function of the number of layer
- Studies of the performance of the detector as
- function of the number of layer to optimise the cost After irradiation the timing resolution is worst at low radius so a geometry with 2 layer with 3 effective layer at low radius have been chosen Two layers Three layers Four layers ٠

Track matching efficiency

- One of the main objective of the HGTD is to remove PU track using timing information
- A way to associate hits in the HGTD to ITk track is need
- The tracks are extrapolated up to the HGTD then the closest hit (less than 5mm away) in each layer is associated to the track

- Matching efficiency defined as the probability of having at least one hit matched with the track
- Without PU it goes up to 95% at high P_T, with PU the result are similar but 4% lower

Luminosity

- Knowing precisely the number of interaction per crossing is important :
 - Correction of the signal in the calorimeter
 - Luminosity already the dominant uncertainty in in (some) SM measurement
- High granularity detector in the forward region -> good luminometer
- Number of hits in the HGTD scale linearly with the number of vertex
- Non linearity :
 - Multihit -> Solve by the low occupancy
 - Afterglow (background activity) -> can be determine with the time resolution by looking before and after the collision

