



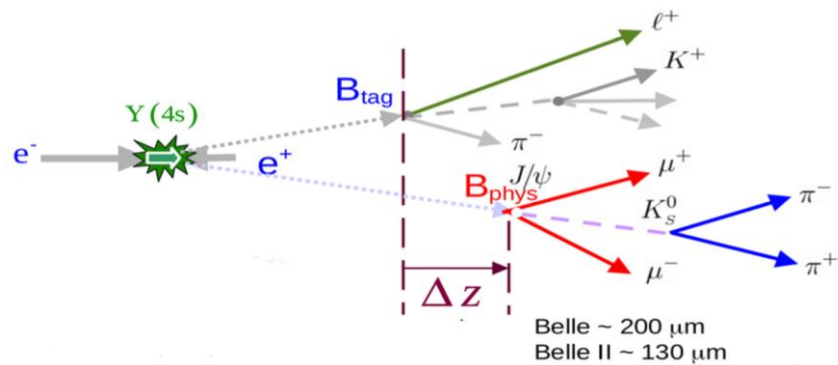
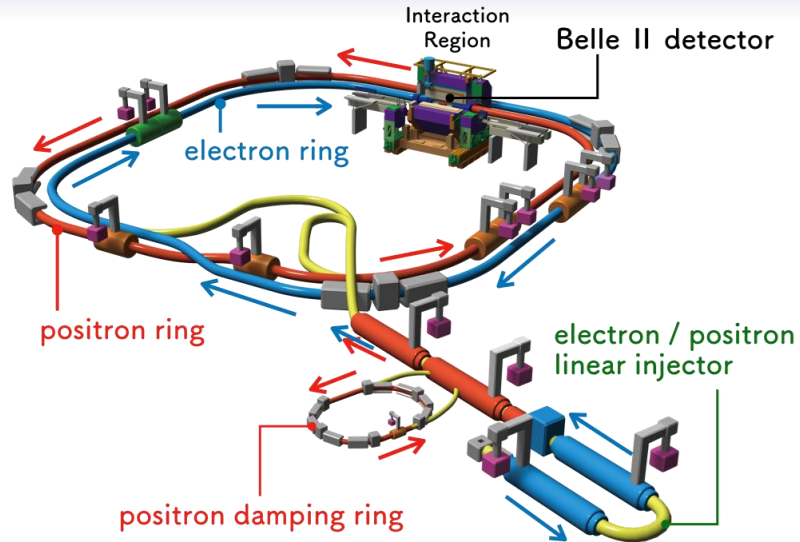
Belle II Vertex Detector: Run Performance (PXD + SVD) and Upgrade Developments (VTX)

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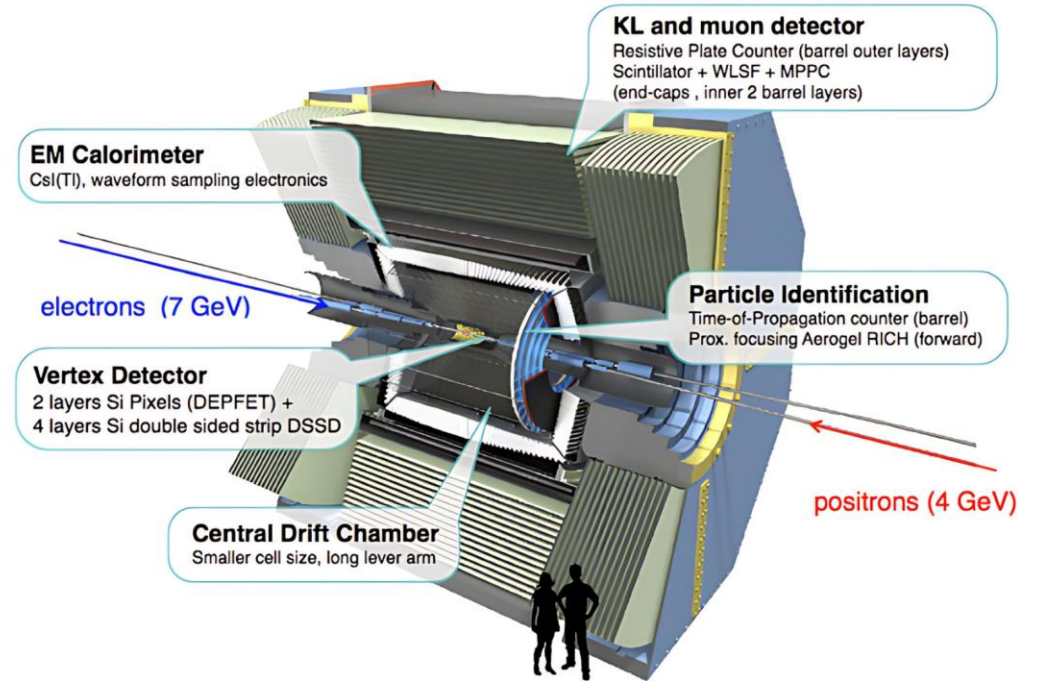


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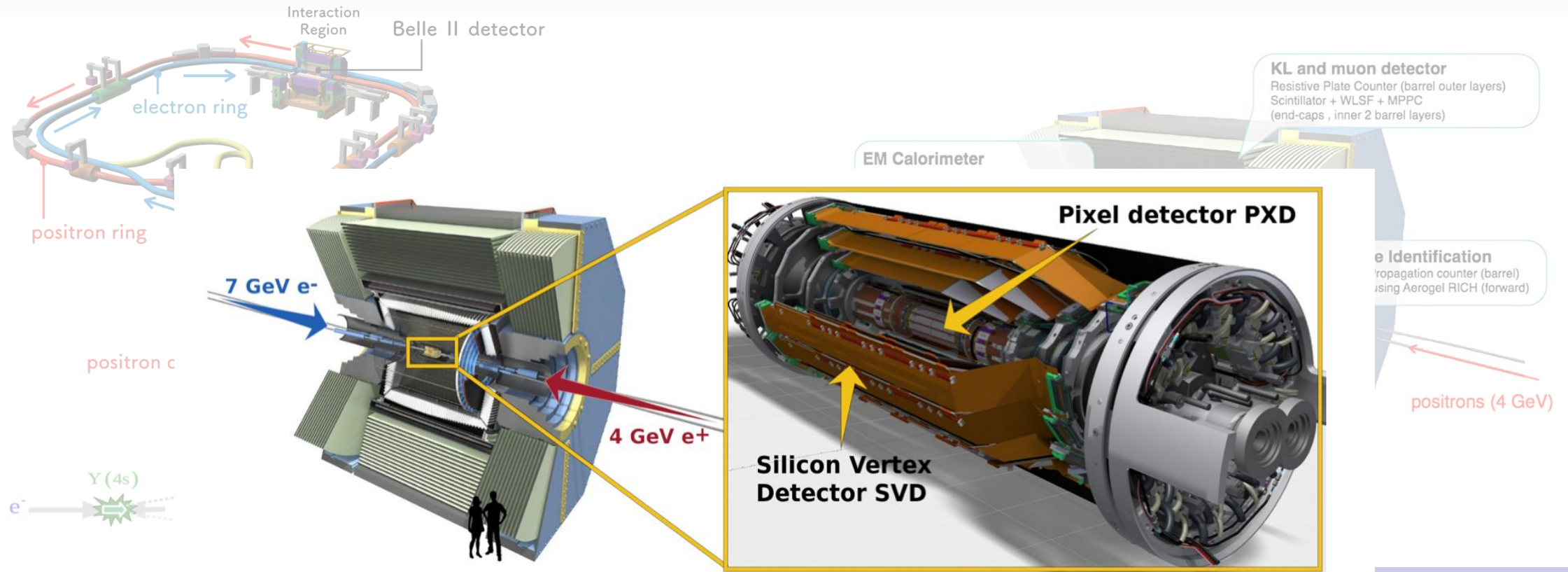


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Δz

Belle ~ 200 μm
Belle II ~ 130 μm

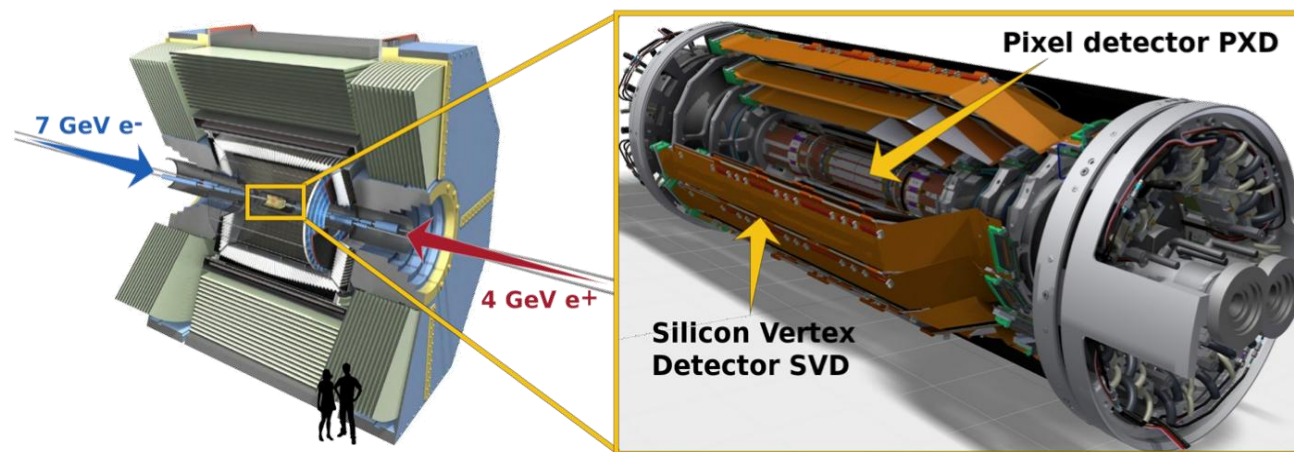
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Vertex Detector (VXD)

Why VXD?

- Excellent vertexing and Tracking down to low p_t (<100 MeV/c)
- Close to the interaction point (inner layer only 14 mm away)
- Impact parameters resolution $\sim z < 20$ μm
- Operate in high background environment
- Trigger rate 30 kHz



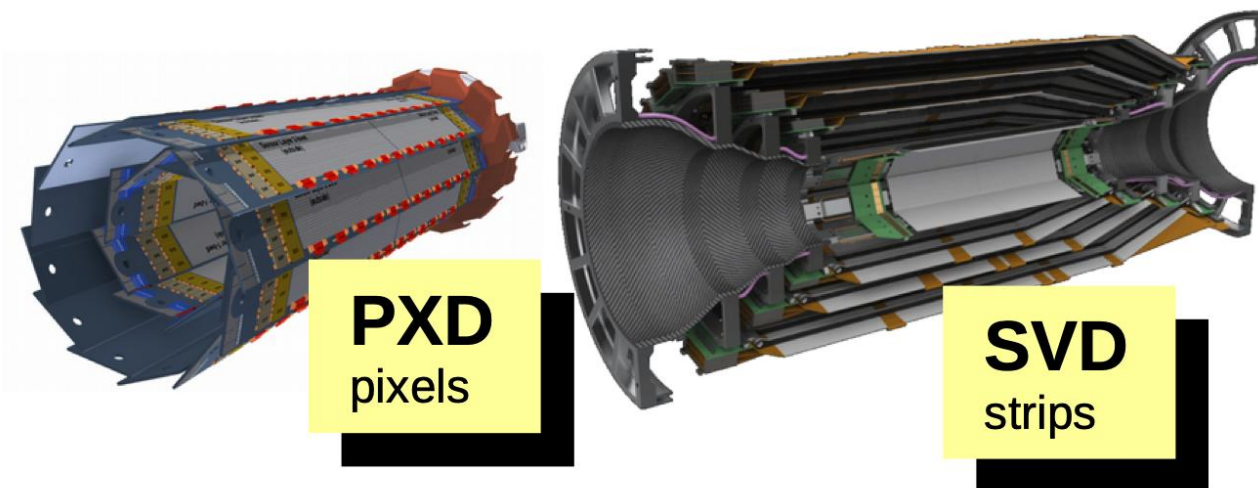
Two sub-systems:

Pixel Vertex Detector (PXD)

- DEPFET sensors
- 2 Layers : 14, 22 mm radii
- PXD 1: 2019 – 2022 - incomplete 2-layer
- PXD 2: from 2024 - complete

Silicon Vertex Detector (SVD)

- Four layers double-sided silicon strips
- 39 - 135 mm radii

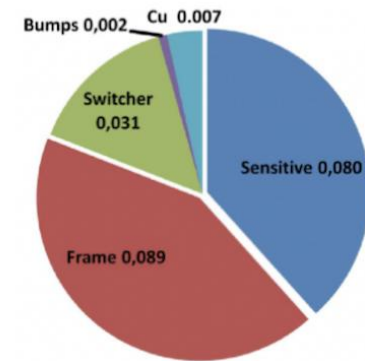
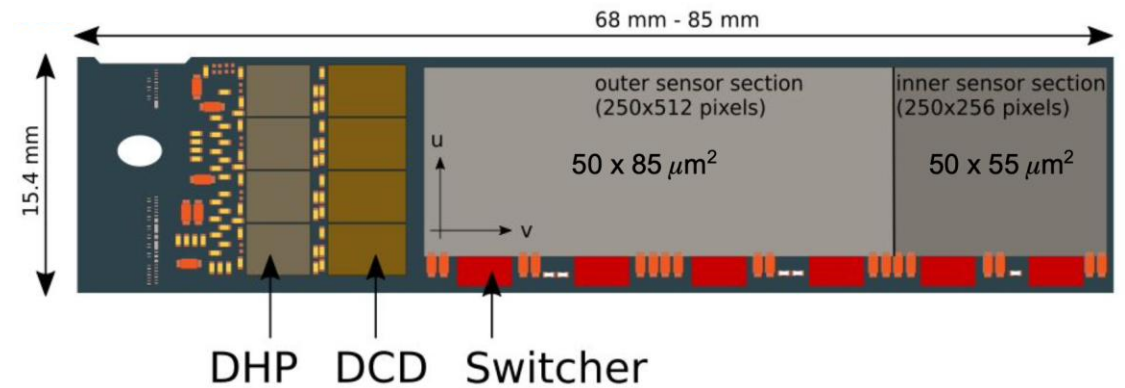


The Pixel Vertex Detector (PXD)

Depleted P-channel Field Effect Transistor (DEPFET)

(concept developed at Semiconductor Laboratory of the Max Planck Society (MPG HLL))

- Fast charge collection (\sim ns) into internal gate
- Lower power consumption and heat dissipation
- Modules: Self - supporting “all - silicon” structure
 - › Support frame \sim 525 μ m/450 μ m thick
 - › Monolithic active area 75 μ m thick
- ASICs on module
 - › Switcher:
 - » Consecutive row selection for data readout
 - › DCD: Drain Current Digitizer
 - » Analog to digital conversion of signal
 - › DHP: Data Handling Processor
 - » Digital Processing, data formatting
- Low material budget (\sim 0.21% average X_0)

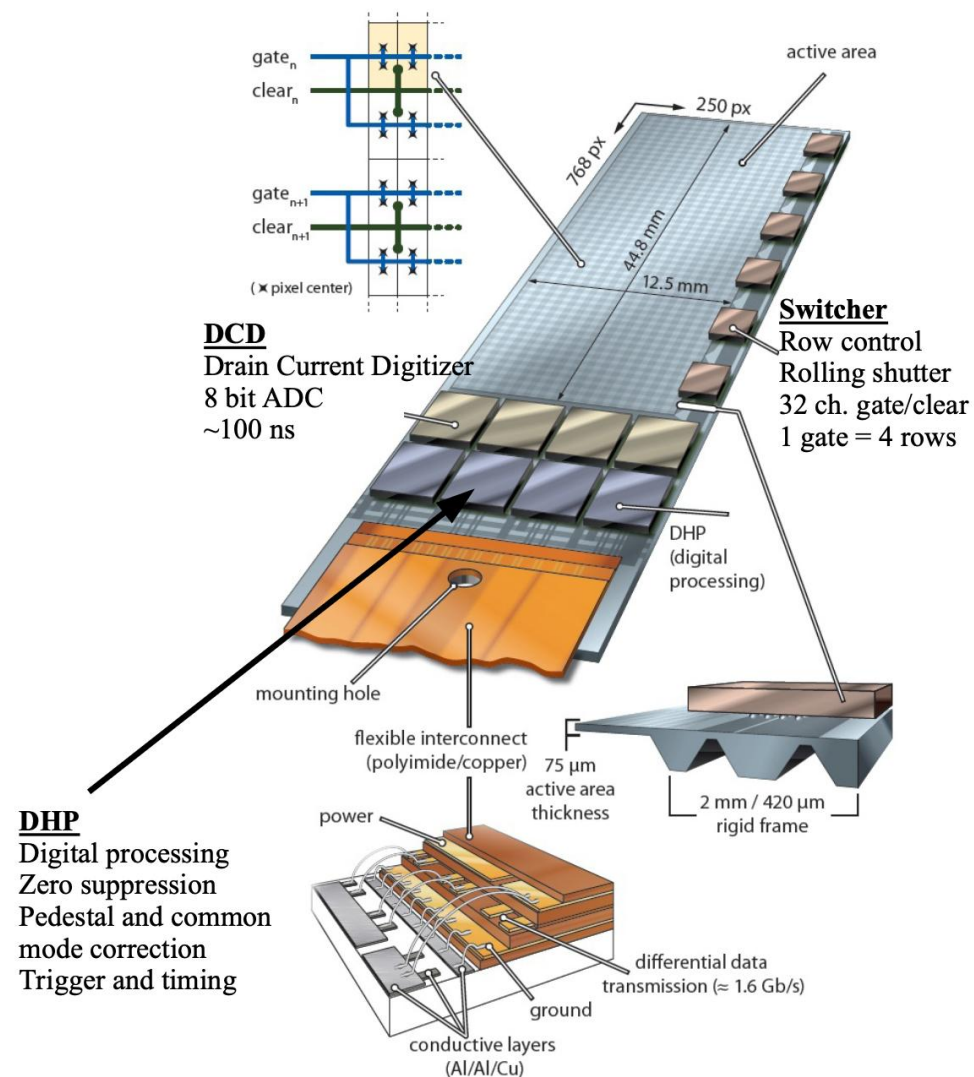


\sim 0.21% X_0 / layer material budget

PXD: Readout and Reconstruction

Depleted P-channel Field Effect Transistor (DEPFET)

- Readout Scheme
 - > Rolling shutter readout → low power
 - > 192 gates, ~100 ns per gate → full frame ≈ 20 μs
- Design
 - > 1% occupancy (Layer 1)
 - > system limit ≈ 3% (DHP/DAQ/tracking)
- Sensor Scale
 - > 40 sensors, each 250 × 768 pixels → ~8 Mpixel total
- PXD reconstruction uses high-granularity clustering (end-pixel positions for long clusters) and track-hit matching
- Achieves ~98-99% efficiency for low- p_t tracks despite background from the 20 μs integration time



PXD Design: Modules, Ladders, and Cooling

Module

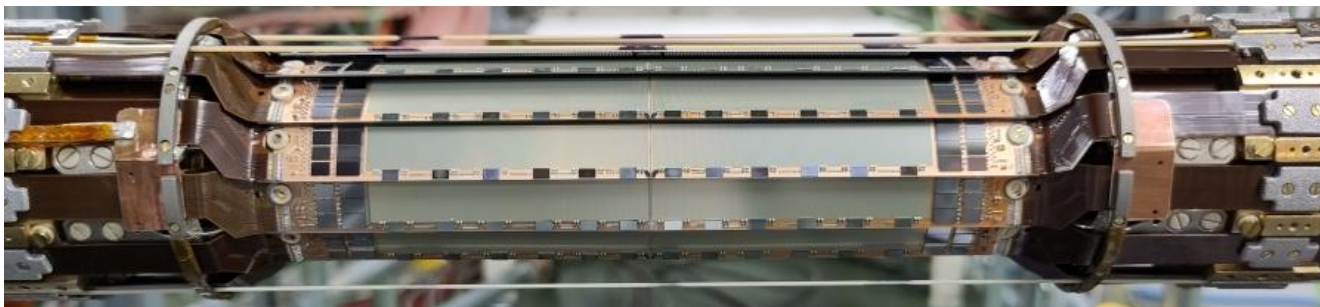
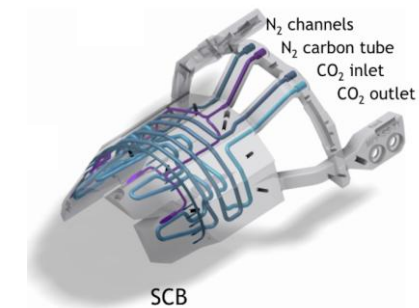
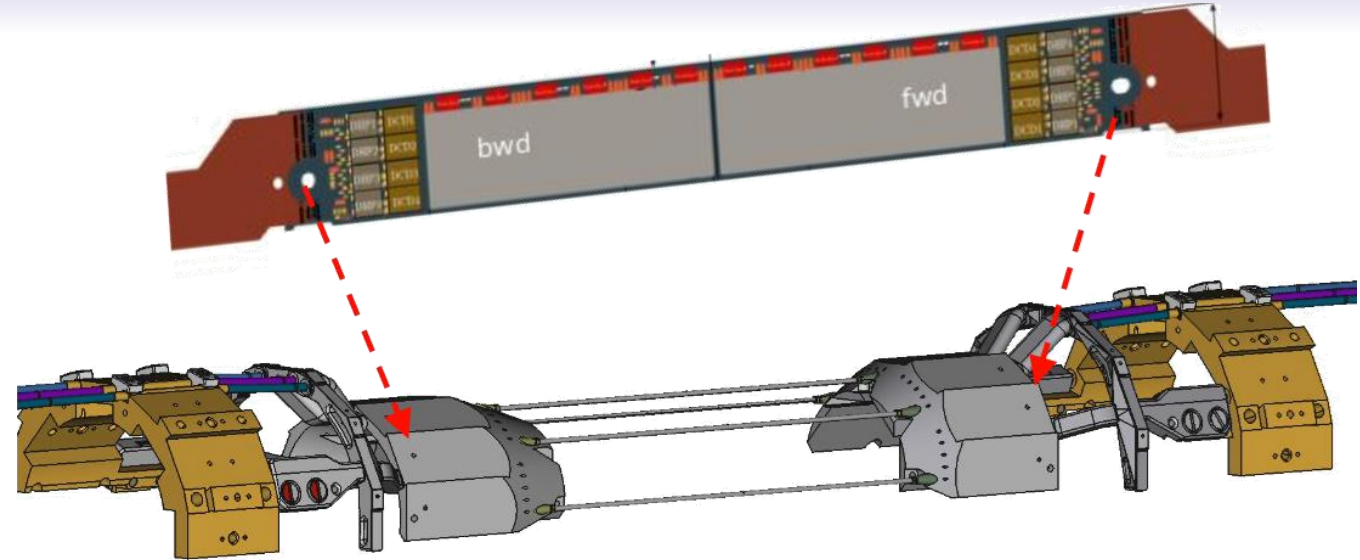
- 2 modules glued to one ladder
- 20 ladders in total (2 modules per ladder)

Ladders

- 10 ladders – 1 half-shell
- Screwed on support colling block (SCB)
- Half-shell (HS) mounted on beam pipe

Cooling

- ~ 9 W per module = ~ 360 W for full detector
- 2-phase CO₂: DHP + DCD (8 W)
- N₂ gas: Switcher + sensor (1 W)



PXD 1: 2019 – 2022

Run 1 details

- from 2019 - 2022 with incomplete 2nd layer
- 8 ladder - inner layer (fully populated)
- 2/12 ladder - outer layer (incomplete)

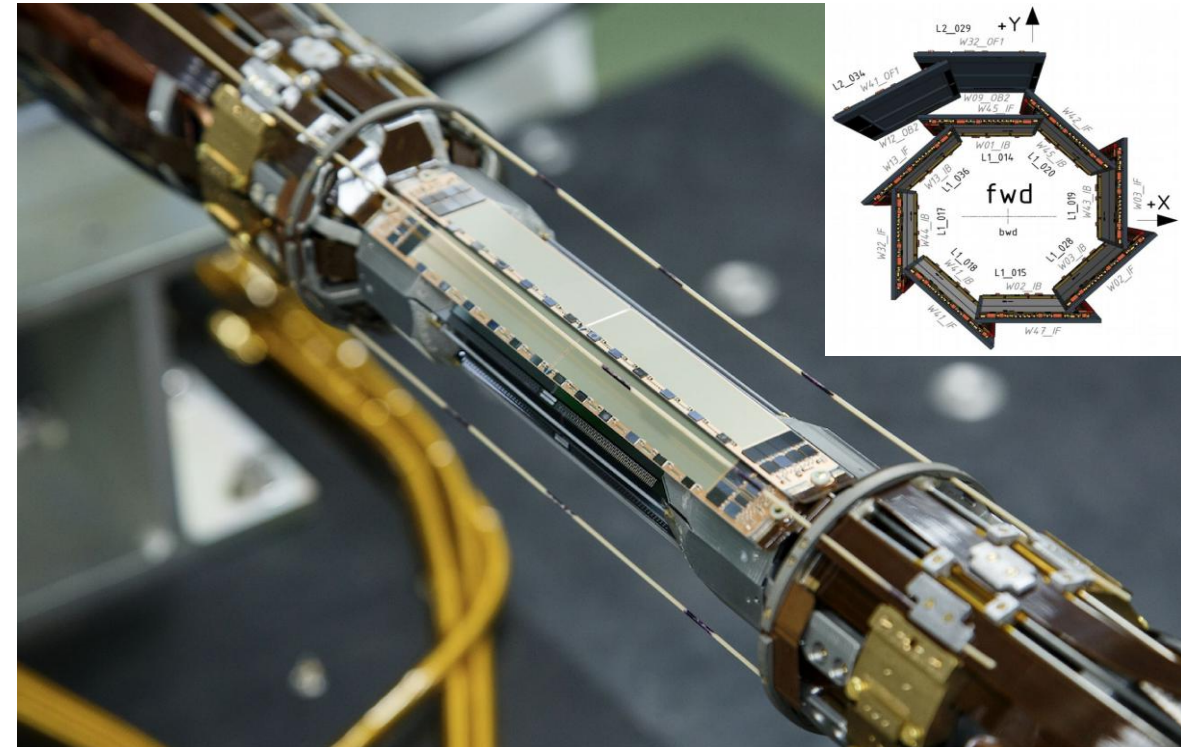
PERFORMANCE

- Di - muon hit efficiency
 - > ~ 99 % in fiducial region
 - > ~ 96 % in tracking acceptance
 - > Noise performance < 1 ADU ($\sim 200 e^-$)
- Impact parameter resolution: $\sim 1.5 - 2$ times better than Belle
- The lower efficiency in Run 1 was largely due to damage from sudden beam losses (SBLs)

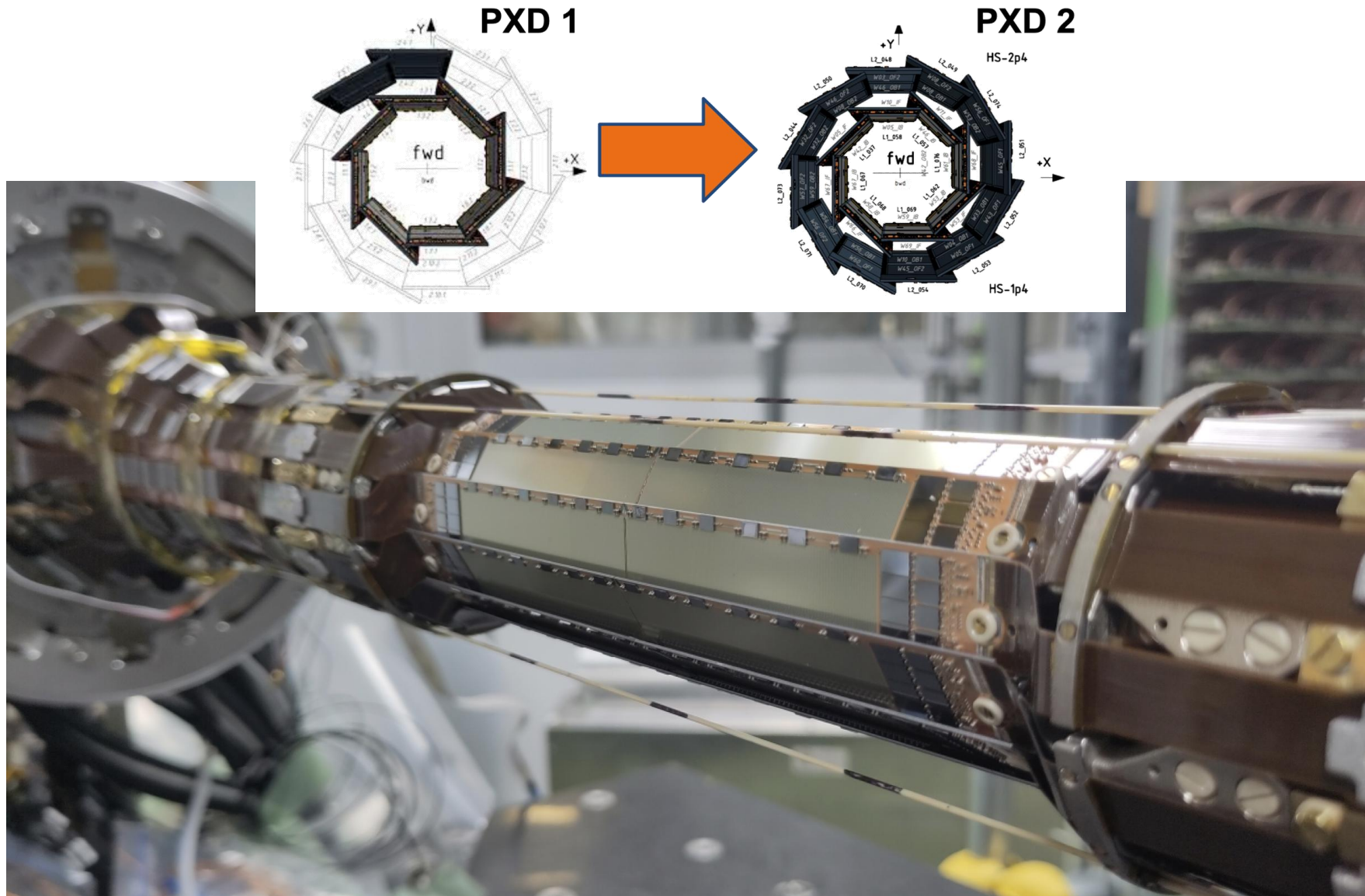
Sudden Beam losses:

- Causes: Most likely dust particles
- High instantaneous radiation doses

Improve detection and PXD power shutdown



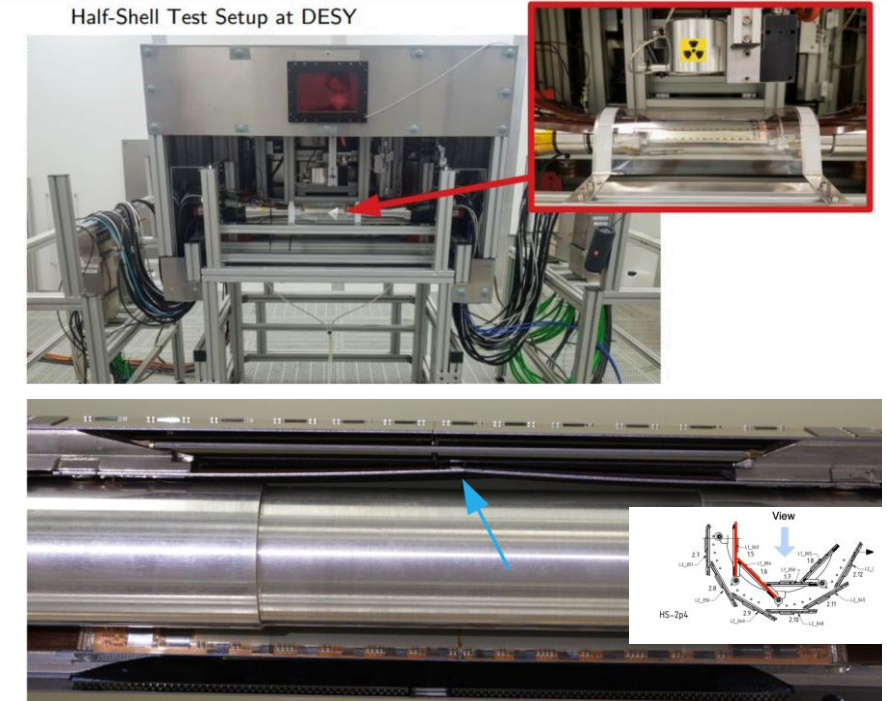
PXD 2: Installed in 2023 with completed 2nd layer



Commissioning of PXD 2 – From DESY to KEK Installation

Commissioning at DESY

- Conducted source scans and system tests on half-shell setups
- Tested power supply, DAQ, CO₂, and N₂ cooling with Aluminium dummy beam pipe
- Two ladders were damaged by glue joint failure, highlighting sensitivity to heating and bending
- The half-shell was repaired with ladder replacements and improved mounting, with careful monitoring of temperature and bending

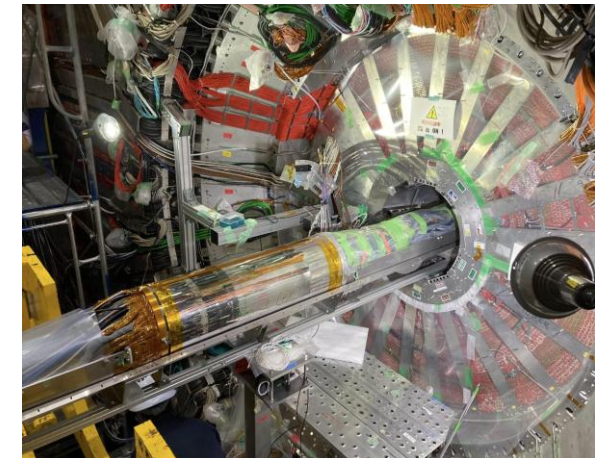
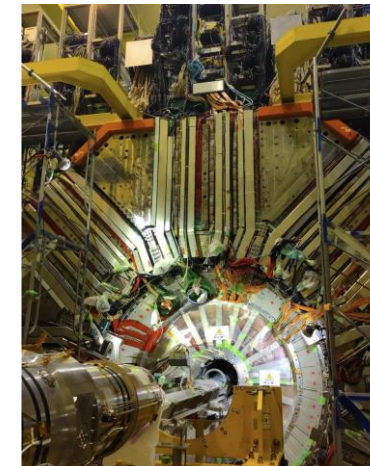
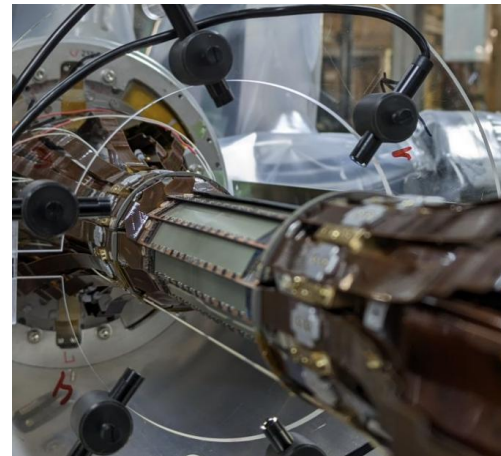


Commissioning at KEK

- First operation of full PXD 2
- Issue:
 - › 2 ladders with significant bowing
 - › One module with high noise

Installation in Belle II

- Attached SVD and installed in Belle II
- Perform cosmic runs to study bending more precisely

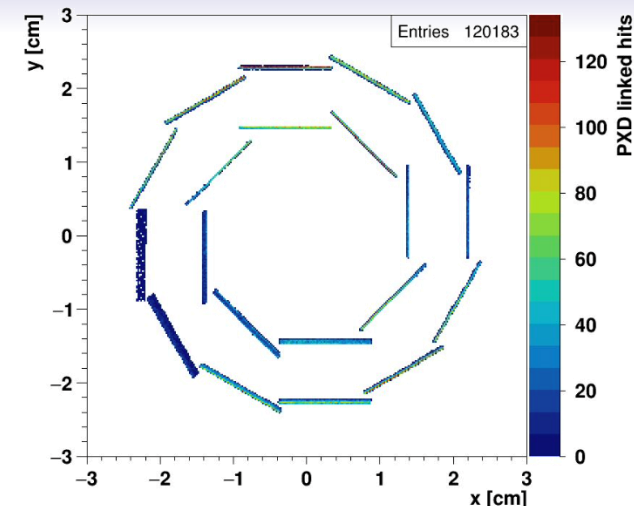
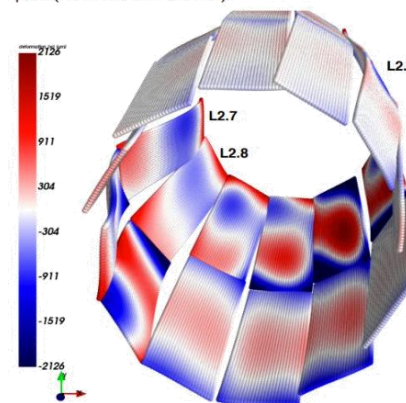


PXD 2 Cosmic Study and Operation Performance

PXD 2 cosmic data taking

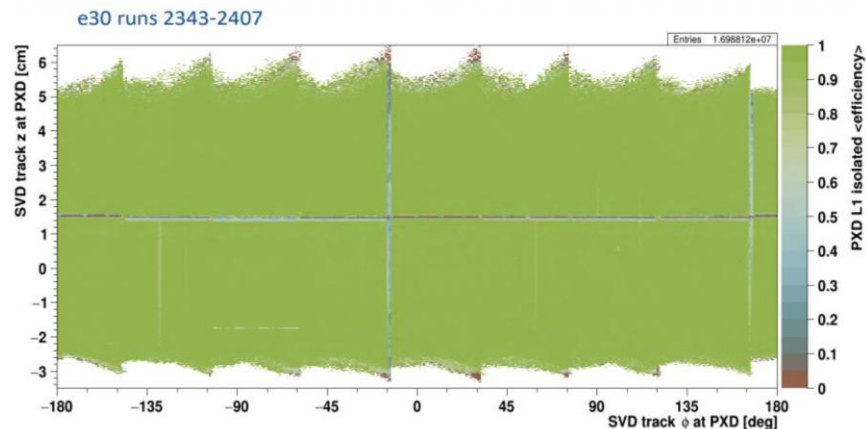
- Study ladder behaviour with cosmic data
 - › Test with different cooling setups
- Bending in 2 ladders (4 Modules):
 - › ~1 mm sagitta observed, smaller than the 2 mm, safe limit from endurance studies
- ✓ Decided to keep both ladders off during operation start

Here: All misalignment parameters in payloads multiplied by 10. Sensor 3D surface plotted point by point (+ color for w-coordinate)

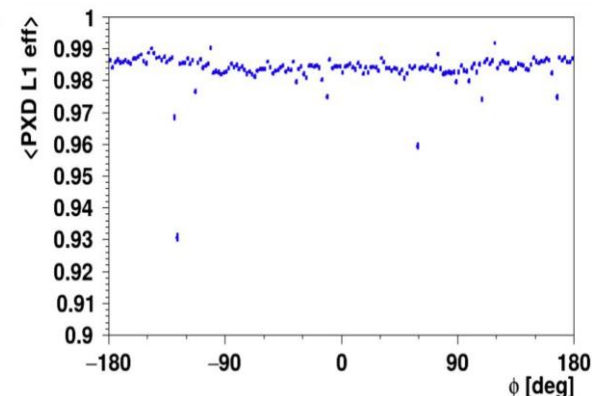


Operation Performance from March - April 2024

- Running with 35/40 modules:
 - › 4 Modules off because of bowing
 - › 1 Module off because of noise
- L1 and L2 efficiency > 98 % in fiducial region
- Operation temperature high but within limits
- Noise < 1 ADU
- Smooth operation with minor down times



Efficiency map for the PXD Layer 1 modules



Efficiency as a function of the azimuth angle Φ

Sudden Beam Loss and Damages

Two beam losses with high dose in PXD

Possible Reason for SBL:

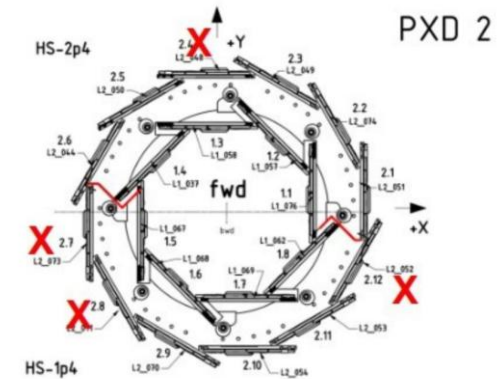
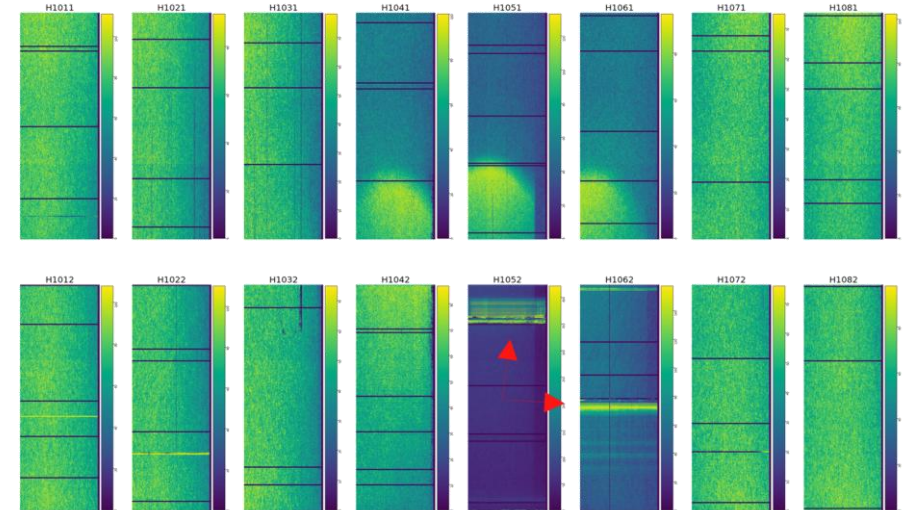
- Vacseal residue in the vacuum system
- Other sources of SBL likely exist

SBL effect on PXD

- SBLs damaged Switcher ASICs, causing ~2% PXD readout loss and increased currents
- After the 2nd SBL, three L2 modules were switched off for thermal safety, and PXD 2 was subsequently powered down
- PXD 2 remains functional with good performance, however, additional SBL events may cause further damage

Therefore, PXD 2 will be turned off during beam operations to prevent further damage

PXD 2 L1 hitmap after second beam loss



The PXD group is developing a fast-shutdown board to power down the Switcher ASICs rapidly (target $<30 \mu\text{s}$), to minimize the risk of SBL-induced damage

Current Status and Future Plan

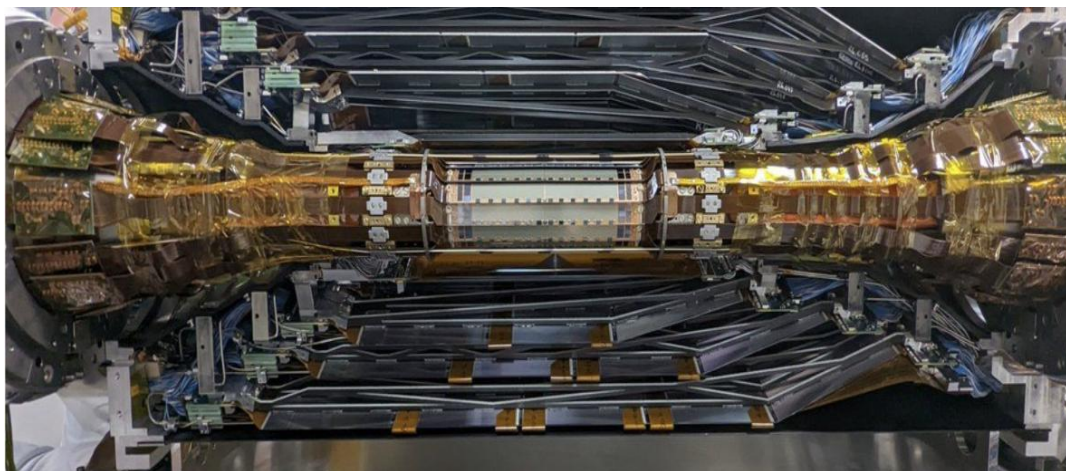
Current status

- Belle II is the first particle physics experiment to use a DEPFET pixel vertex detector
- PXD 1 run from 2019-2022
- PXD 2 commissioned and installed in 2023
- PXD 2 data taking has been started in 2024
 - › 35/40 modules in operation
 - › Efficiency > 98 % in fiducial region

- Two major SBL events happened in 2024
- ~2% of PXD 2 readout affected

Future Plans

- Improving faster detection of beam instabilities earlier beam abort
- Decided to turn off PXD 2 for now to investigate
 - › To optimize beam operation
 - › To solve origin of SBL events

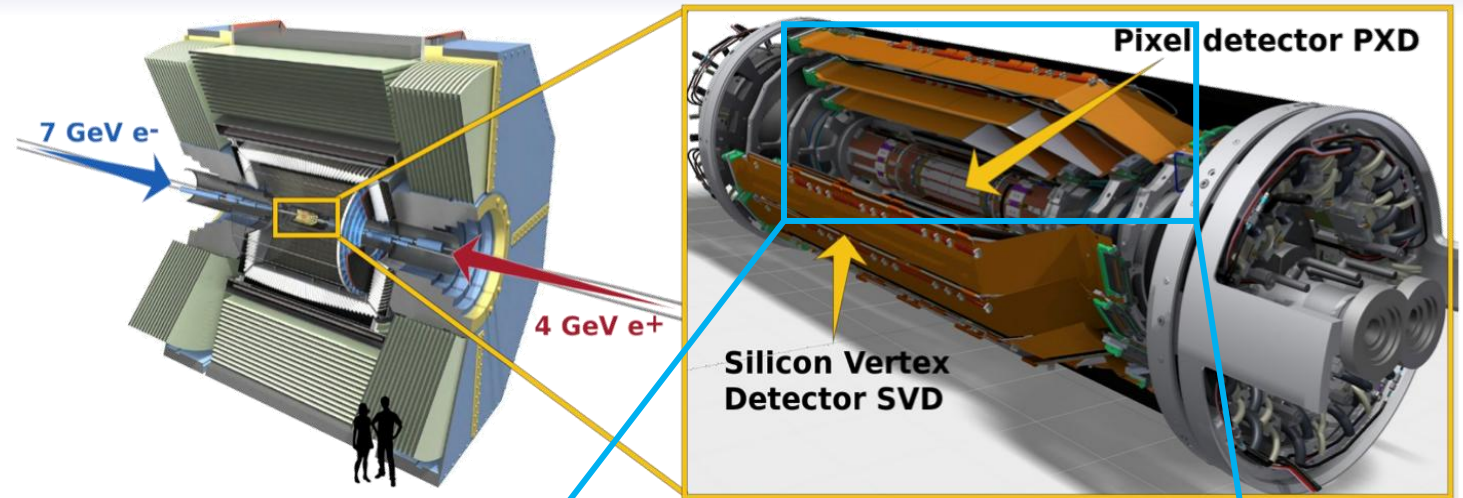


Silicon Vertex Detector (SVD)

ref: K. Adamczyk et al 2022 JINST 17 P11042

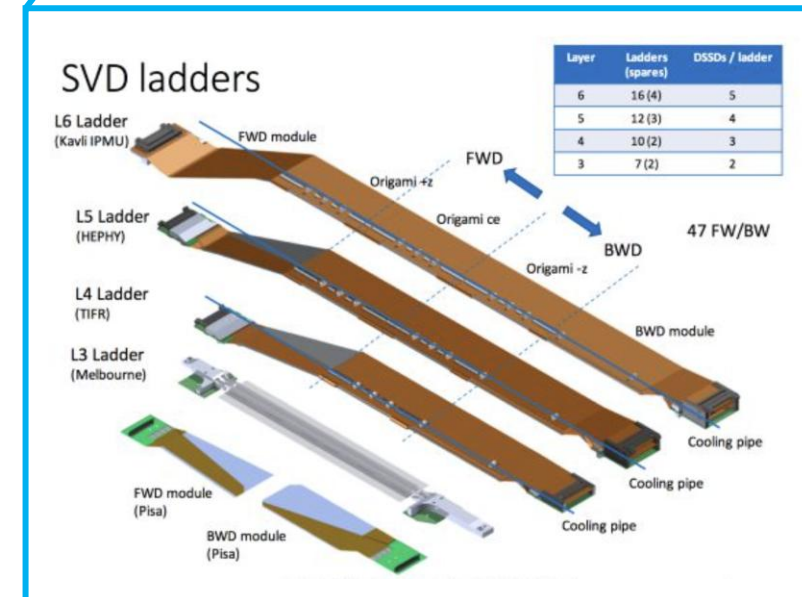
SVD Design

- 4-layers structure
- Double-sided Silicon Strip Sensor (DSSD)
- DSSD modules arranged in structurally and electrically independent unit called ladders
- Radii of 4 Layers: 39 -135 mm
- Low material budget: 0.7% X_0 per layer



What SVD can do?

- Standalone tracking for low momentum tracks and precise vertexing of B^0 , K_s and Λ^0
- Extrapolate tracks to PXD
- Provide dE/dx information for charged-particle identification



SVD Sensor Design

Double Sided Silicon Strip Sensors (DSSD)

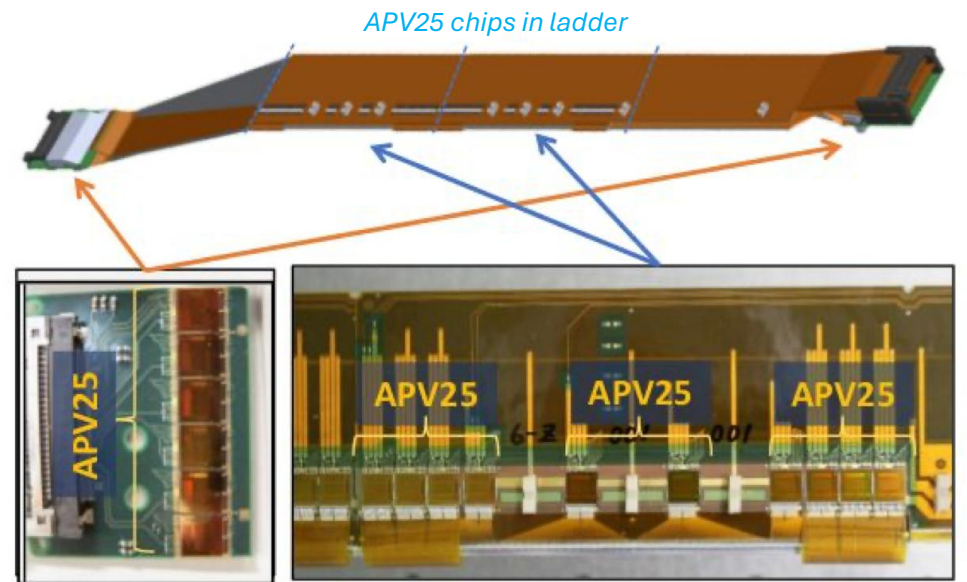
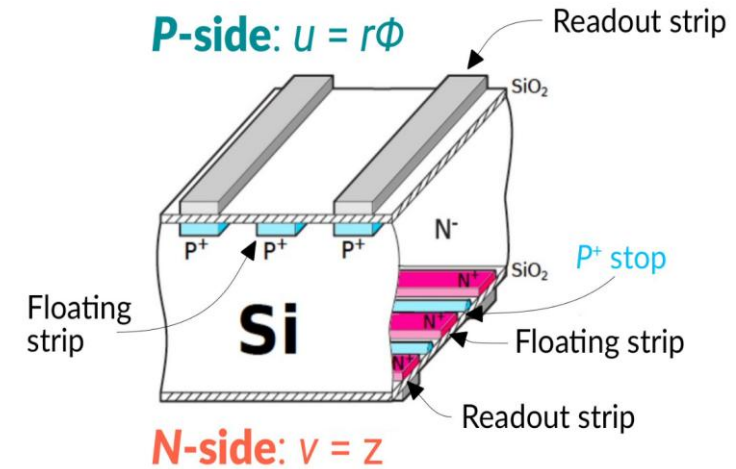
- 172 DSSD with area coverage 1.2 m²
- Bias voltage: 100 V
- Perpendicular strips to provide 2D spatial info
- Depletion voltage: 20 - 60 V
- Strip pitch: 50/75 μm (r-φ) and 160/240 μm (z)
- Readout: APV25 chip, 50 ns shaping time
- Cooling: two-phase CO₂ system
(-20° C with PXD1 and -25° C with PXD2)

Front-end electronics : APV25 chip

A high background in Belle II requires short signal shaping time and a good radiation hardness.

- › APV25 chip is a suitable solution for SVD
- › Originally developed for the harsh radiation environment at the LHC

All 1748 APV25 readout chips functional

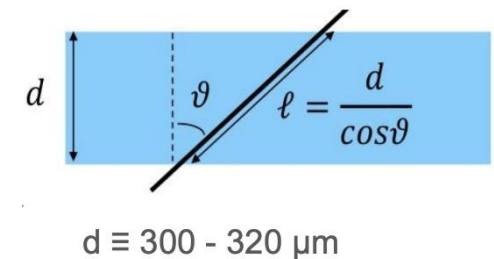
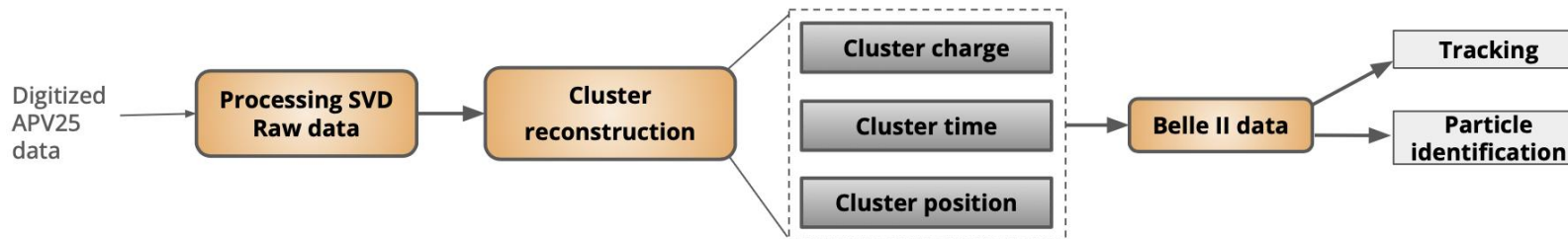
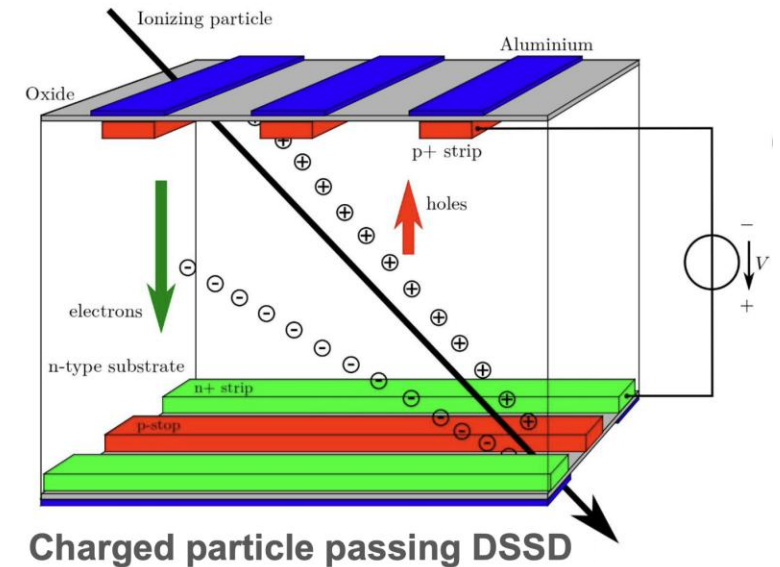


More information on SVD:
[K. Adamczyk et al 2022 JINST 17 P11042](#)

SVD Data Reconstruction

Charged particles passing through fully depleted sensors creates e-h pairs, which produces hits in the strips

- **Cluster:** Collection of strips with signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) above certain threshold
- A cluster has
 - › **Charge:** Sum of the charges of each strip belonging to the cluster, depends on incident angle of the particle
 - › **Time:** Charge-weighted average of strip times relative to trigger
 - › **Position:** reconstructed from strip charges
 - › **Noise:** Quadrature sum of noise of each strips



SVD Operation during Run 1

Performance in Run 1 (March 2019 – June 2022)

Cluster charge

- Stable throughout and matching the expectation; $24ke^-$ for a MIP passing through a $\sim 320 \mu\text{m}$ thick silicon sensor

Cluster SNR

- Very good cluster SNR in all 172 sensors
- Small reduction in 2022 due to radiation damage

Position resolution

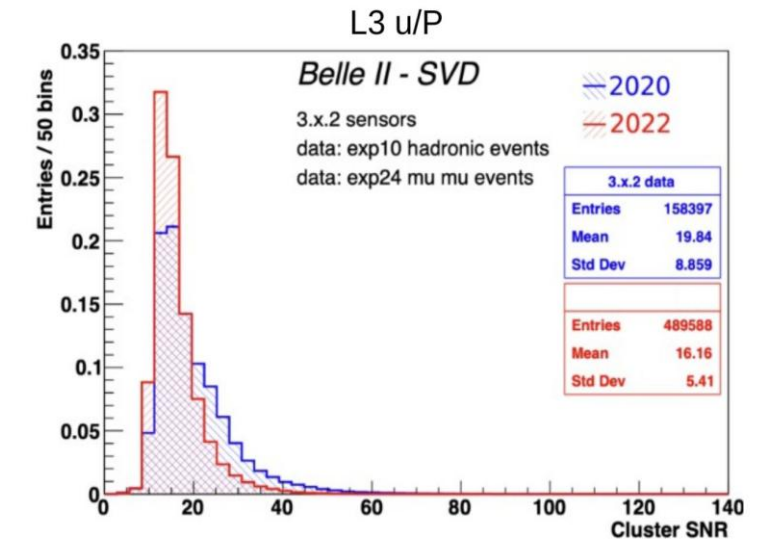
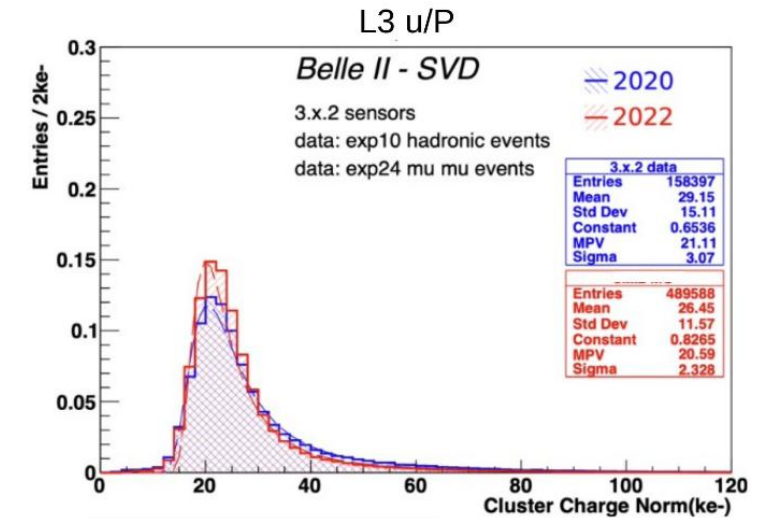
- Stable position resolution within $10\text{--}25 \mu\text{m}$ observed, as expected from strip pitches

Hit efficiency

- Hit efficiency $> 99\%$ per sensor

Masked strips

- Total masked strips $< 1\%$



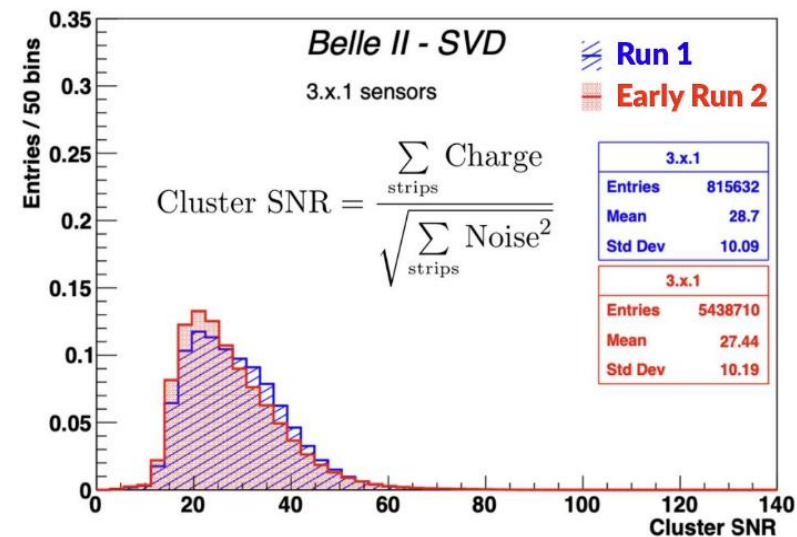
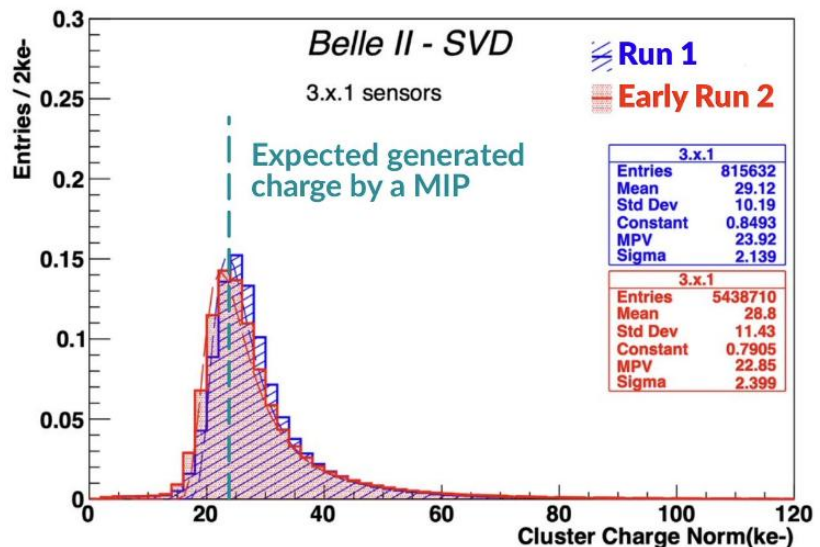
SVD Operation during Run 2

- SVD was extracted and reinserted during PXD 2 installation (LS1), making Run 2 performance crucial

Run 2: Feb – July 2024,
Oct – Dec 2024

Cluster charge and SNR

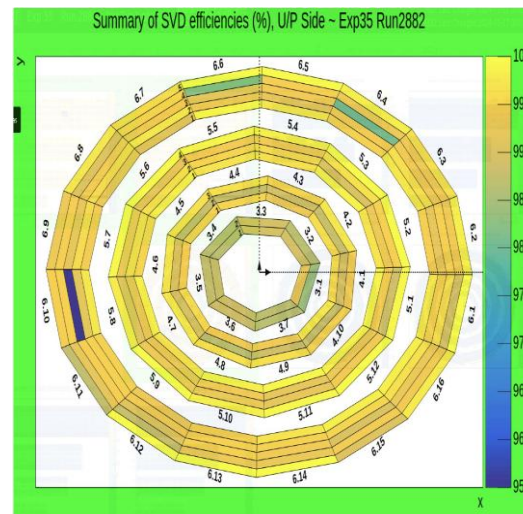
- No significant changes in cluster charge and SNR



Sensor efficiency

- Sensor efficiency is very high (>99%) for most of the sensors
- Very stable over the whole period of data taking

Occupancy during this run ~1%



Radiation and Beam Background Effects on SVD

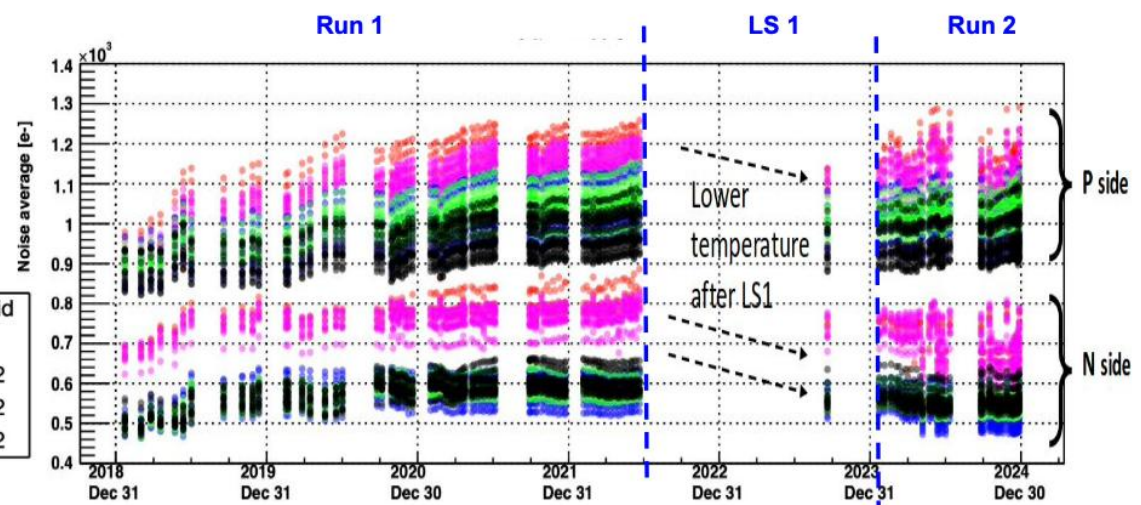
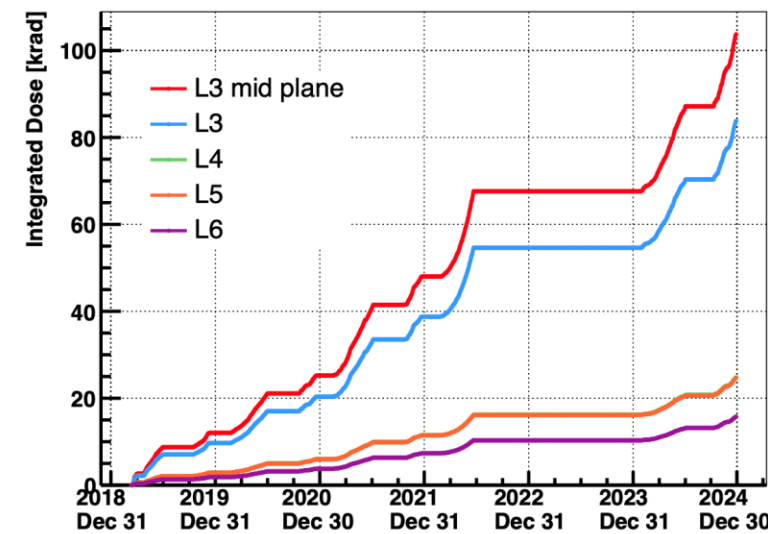
Beam Background Effects

- Sudden beam loss are a risk, but no pinhole defects observed in DSSDs during Run 2
- Integrated radiation dose can still degrade sensor performance: increased leakage current, strip noise, and reduced charge collection efficiency

Radiation Dose Measurements

- Total integrated dose on Layer 3 mid-plane: ~ 100 krad, equivalent to $\sim 2.5 \times 10^{12}$ n/cm² (measured via diamond detectors) with no observed performance degradation
- Sensor noise rose 10–35% in Run 1 (due to radiation)
- Partially recovered (10%) after LS1 (annealing + better cooling)

Integrated dose in SVD Layers



SVD Performance Resilience

- No significant degradation in SVD performance was observed
- Current SVD hit occupancy $< 1\%$, increased during Run 2 due to machine conditions
- Sensors still collect charge effectively after 10 Mrad from test campaign

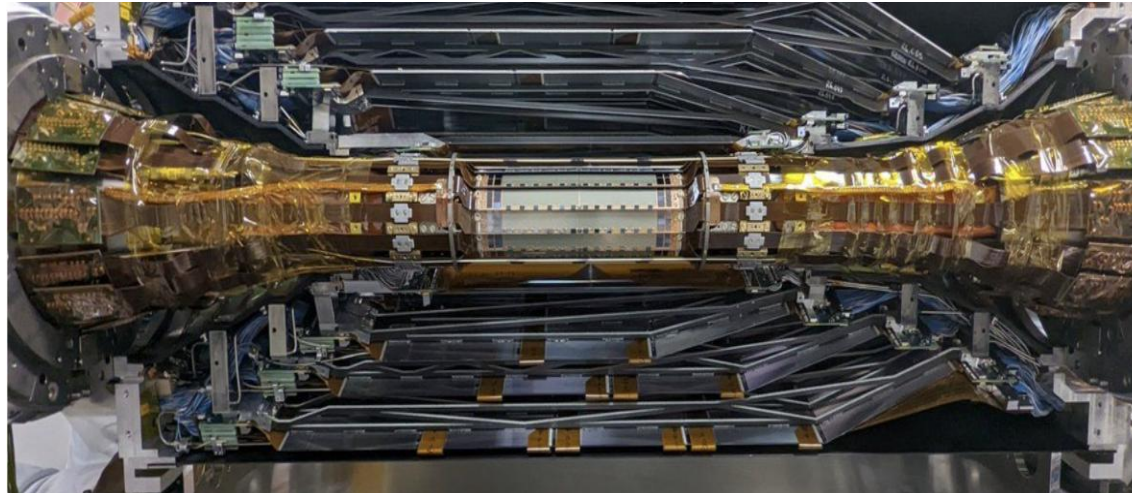
Current Status and Future Aim

Current Status

- Smooth and stable operations
- Strict monitoring in place for SVD due to increase in beam current
- Occupancy and radiation damage remains below the critical threshold, SVD behaves as expected
- Excellent SVD hit-time performance: resolution < 3 ns for signals, while time range of beam-induced background is around 100 ns

Future Plan

- New algorithms use time resolution to suppress background and preserve tracking performance at high rates
- Maintain SVD performance with higher occupancy anticipated with increased SuperKEKB luminosity



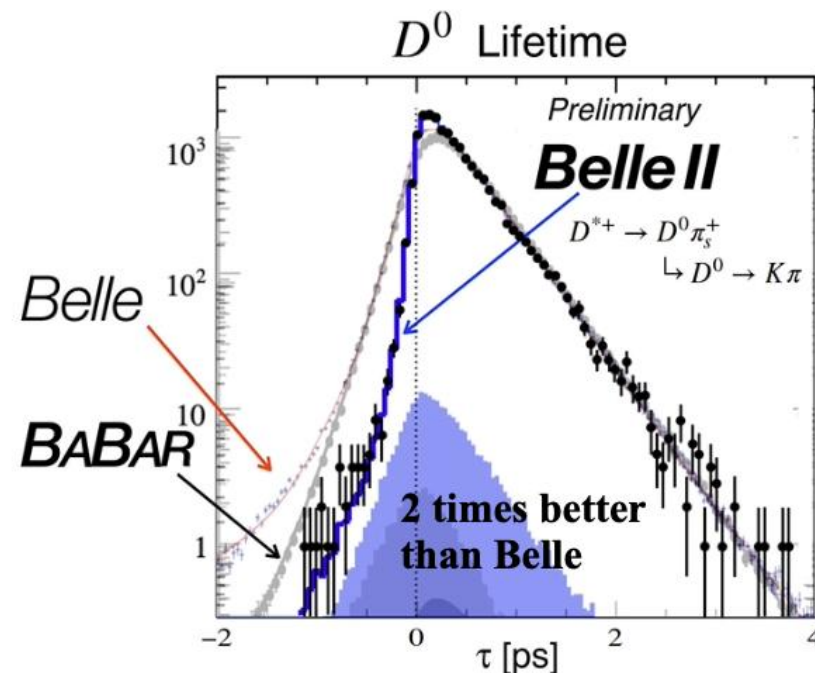
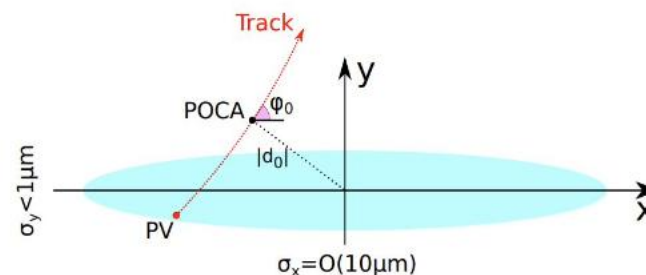
Impact of Vertex Resolution

Vertex Resolution

- Vertex reconstruction essential for time-dependent CP violation and lifetime measurements, enabling precise decay-time resolution for B meson
- PXD and SVD play a key role
- Measuring the point of closest approach from particles from the interaction point in x, y
- Taking advantage of tiny interaction point with PXD at 14 mm
- d_0 resolution of 10-20 μm
- z_0 resolution of 20-40 μm

Belle II lifetime measurements that benefited from the excellent vertex resolution:

D_s^+ : [PRL 131, 171803 \(2023\)](#)
 B^0 : [PRD 107, L091102 \(2023\)](#)
 Ω_c^+ : [PRD 107, L031103 \(2023\)](#)
 Λ_c^+ : [PRL 130, 071802 \(2023\)](#)
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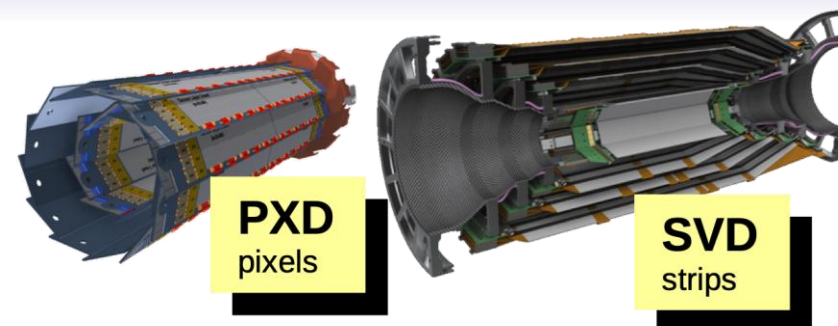


Impact of better vertex resolution

Vertex Detector Alignment

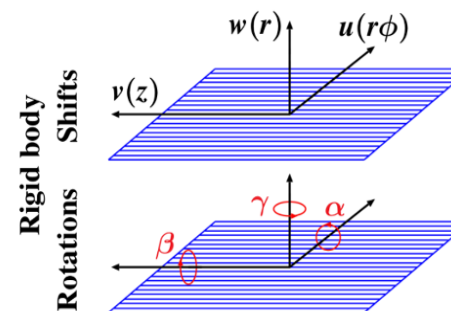
What is detector alignment?

- Calibration of the true spatial positions and orientations of detector sensors (PXD, SVD)
- Track reconstruction is matched with actual hit measurements using global track-based fits
- Minimizes track-to-hit residuals across thousands of events



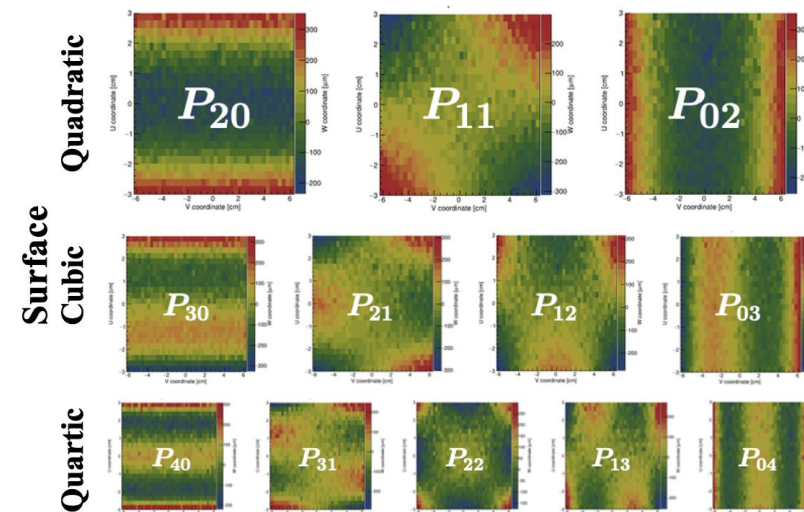
What do we align?

- VXD includes: 2 PXD half-shells, 4 SVD layers (~ 65 ladders)
- Each has 6 rigid-body DOFs (translations and rotations)
- Includes surface parameters (Legendre polynomials up to 4th order)
- In total >4000 parameters are solved using Millepede II



Why is alignment needed?

- Unaligned detectors show up to hundreds of μm shifts
 - > Essential for maintaining vertex and tracking resolution required for Belle II physics
- Detector positions change due to vibrations, temperature fluctuations, and mechanical shifts



Alignment Monitoring and Results

Challenges

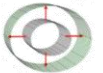




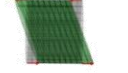

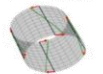
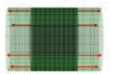
- Misalignments
- Weak Modes
- Deformations

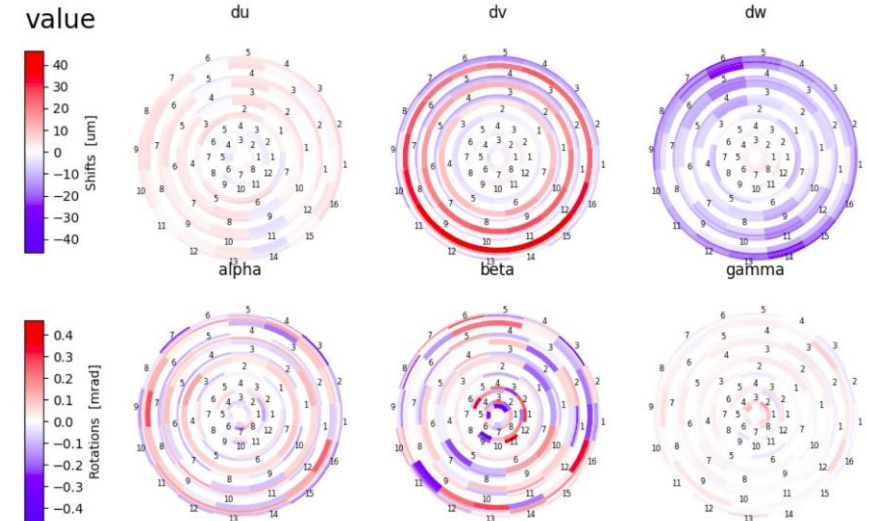
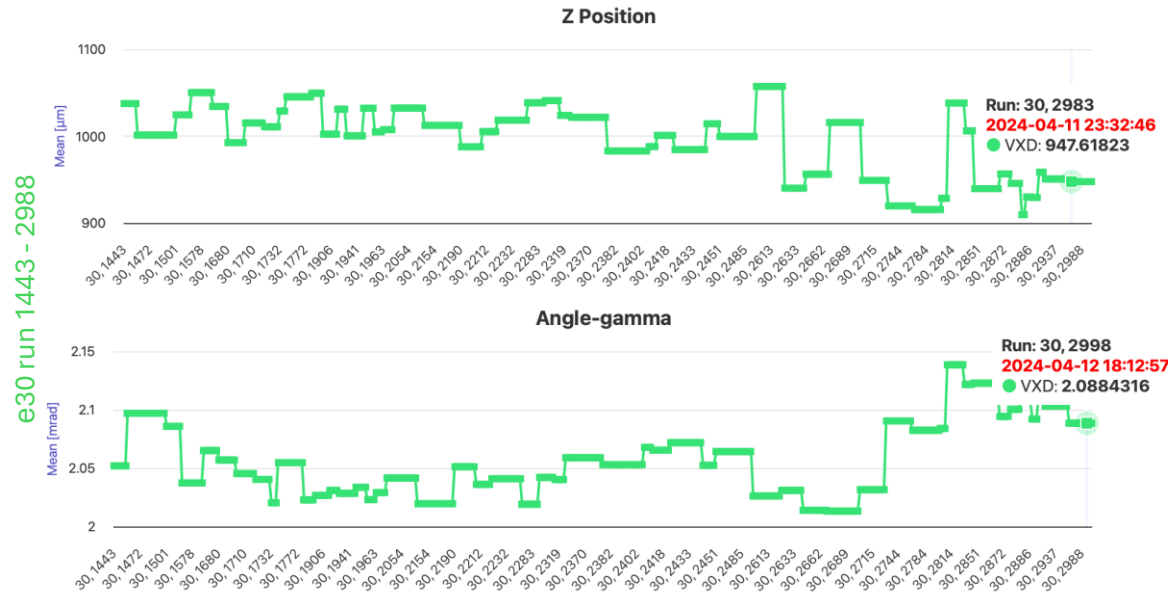
Track-based alignment method

- Performed using Millepede II and GBL track model
- Simultaneous global fit of rigid-body DOFs, surface shapes, and time-dependent parameters

Alignment data

- Cosmic-ray muons with B-field off/on
- Collision events: dimuons, hadronic events

	Δr	$r\Delta\phi$	Δz
r	Radial expansion $\Delta r = C_{scale} \cdot r$ 	Curl $r\Delta\phi = C_{scale} \cdot r + C_0$ 	Telescope $\Delta z = C_{scale} \cdot r$ 
ϕ	Elliptical expansion $\Delta r = C_{scale} \cdot \cos(2\phi) \cdot r$ 	Clamshell $\Delta\phi = C_{scale} \cdot \cos(\phi)$ 	Skew $\Delta z = C_{scale} \cdot \cos(\phi)$ 
z	Bowing $\Delta r = C_{scale} \cdot z $ 	Twist $r\Delta\phi = C_{scale} \cdot z$ 	Z expansion $\Delta z = C_{scale} \cdot z$ 



Upgrade Proposal VXD → VTX

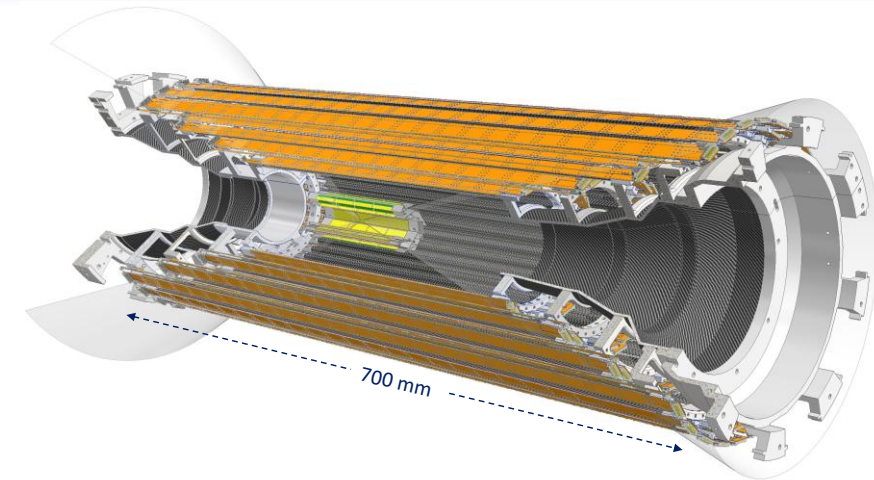
ref: [arXiv:2406.19421](https://arxiv.org/abs/2406.19421)

Why upgrade of the Belle II detector is required:

To Aim towards:

$$\mathcal{L} = 6 \times 10^{35} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$
$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = 50 \text{ab}^{-1}$$

- Handle increased backgrounds and occupancy at target luminosity
- Improve radiation tolerance and ensure long-term detector performance
- Adapt to possible new interaction region re-design



A new vertex detector concept VTX is proposed

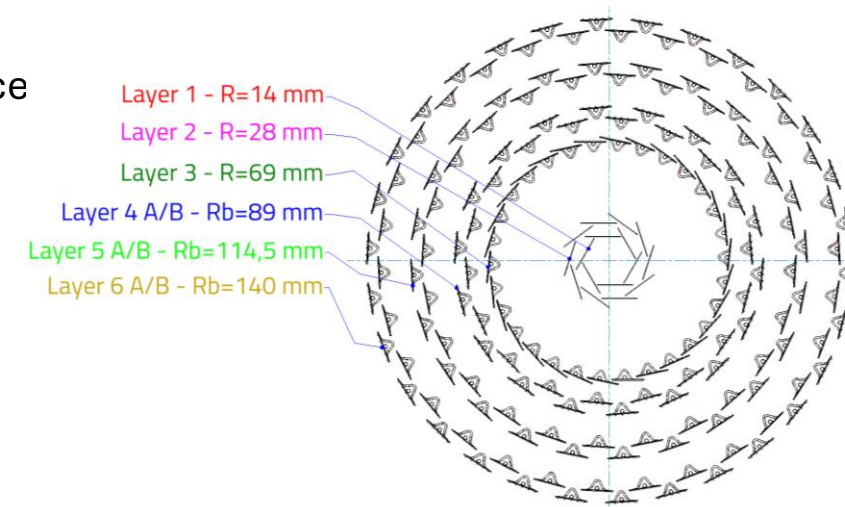
- A new fully pixelated CMOS detector to replace the VXD
- Improved tracking resolution and space-time granularity
- Reduced material budget $\approx 3\% X_0$ instead of $3.8\% X_0$ (sum of all layers)
- 6 straight layers with Depleted Monolithic Active CMOS Pixel Sensors (DMAPS) proce

VTX Design

- L1 and L2 (iVTX): Inner layers
- L3 to L6 (oVTX): Outer layers



Installation of the upgraded detector is targeted during the upcoming long shutdown planned in 2032



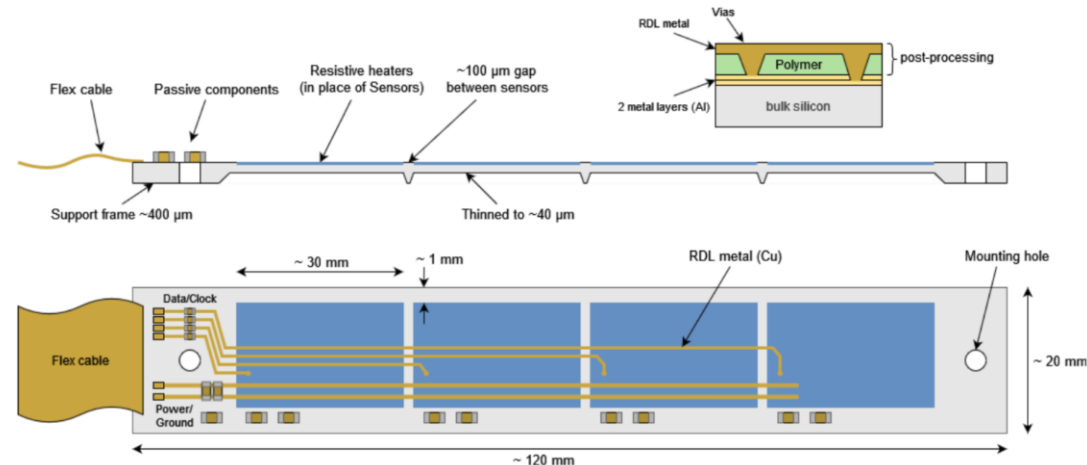
Structure and Layer Information

iVTX Inner Layers Concept

- 4 contiguous sensors diced as a block from the wafer
- Flex print cables
- Redistribution layer for interconnection
- Heterogeneous thinning for thinness and stiffness
- Several cooling options under evaluation: thermal conduction with thermal pyrolytic graphite, liquid cooling in Al -thin pipes

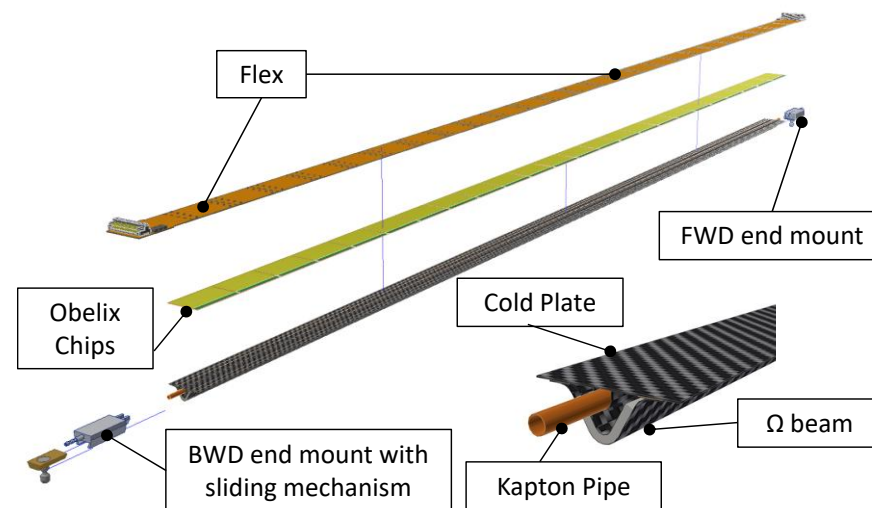
oVTX Outer Layers Concept

- Ladder structure design inspired by ALICE ITS2, composed of:
 - › Carbon Fiber support structure
 - › Cold – plate with pipes for liquid coolant circulation
 - › Chip and Flex circuit for power and signal glued on top



	L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	L6	Unit
Radius (mm)	14.1	22.1	62.5/69.0	82.5/89.0	108/114.5	133.5/140	mm
# Ladders	6	10	30	36	48	60	
# Sensors per ladder	4	4	12	16	20	24	per ladder
Mat budget (% X0)	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	% X0
Expected hit rate* (MHz/cm ²)	21	9	0.68	0.45	0.25	0.17	MHz/cm ²

*Large uncertainty on BG extrapolation/possible changes in IR region



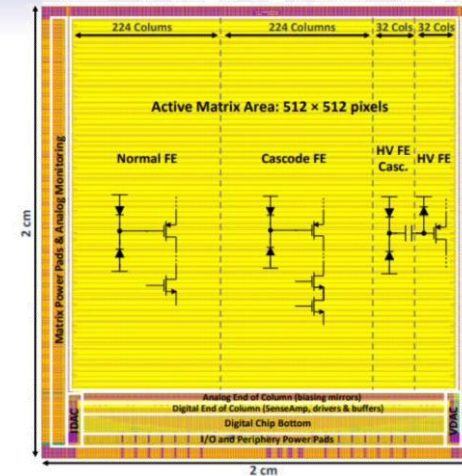
A same monolithic CMOS pixel sensor chip for all layers : Optimized Belle II pIXel sensor (OBELIX)

VTX Sensors: TJMP2 & OBELIX Overview

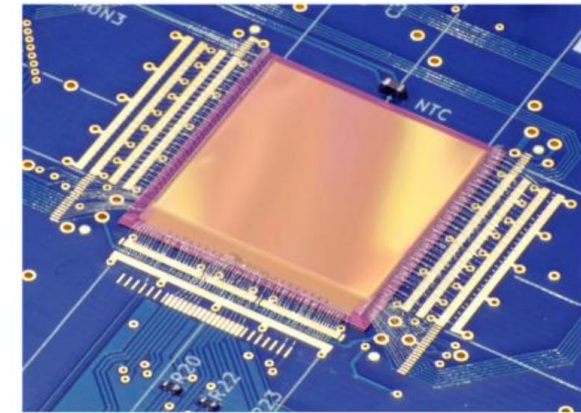
TJ-Monopix2 (TJMP2)

Developed for the ATLAS ITK as a DMAPS using Tower 180 nm CMOS, modified for rad-hardness & faster readout (good at high fluence at low temps), FE derived from ALPIDE

- Pixel & Matrix Specs:
 - 512×512 pixels ($2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$), pitch $33.04 \times 33.04 \mu\text{m}^2$, 7-bit ToT, 3-bit threshold tuning, thicknesses $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$ (epi/CZ-bulk)
- Readout Architecture:
 - Column-drain R/O for $>120 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$, triggerless in TJMP2, 25 ns integration.
- Front-End Flavors:
 - 4 variants in amplifier & coupling (AC/DC) for rad environments



Layout of TJMP2 sensor: divided in 4 regions with different FE



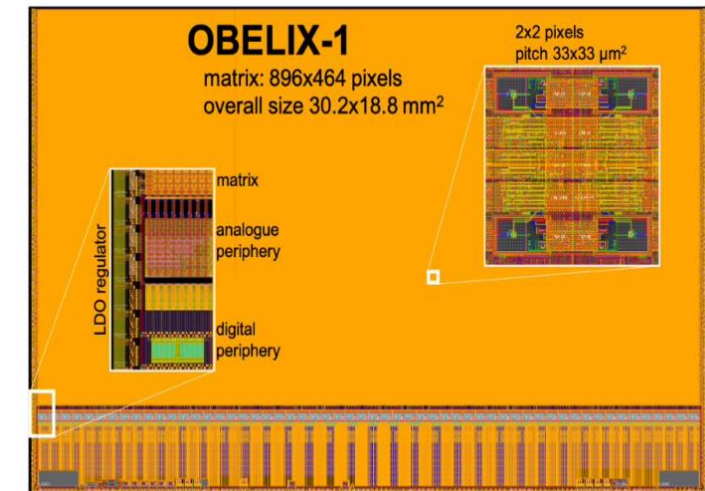
TJMP2 sensor bonded on a test board

OBELIX

Optimized Belle II pIXel sensor

- Based on Tower Semiconductor 180 nm CMOS & TJMP2 design + new digital periphery
- Designed for high hit rates (120 MHz/cm^2) with strong radiation tolerance (TID 100 MRad, NIEL $5 \times 10^{14} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$)
- High performance with $<15 \mu\text{m}$ spatial resolution, $<200 - 300 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ power consumption, for hit rate from few to 120 MHz/cm^2 and $<50 \text{ ns}$ time stamping

First full-scale prototype (OBELIX-1) targeted for submission in Winter 2025



Current Status and Future Plan

Current Status

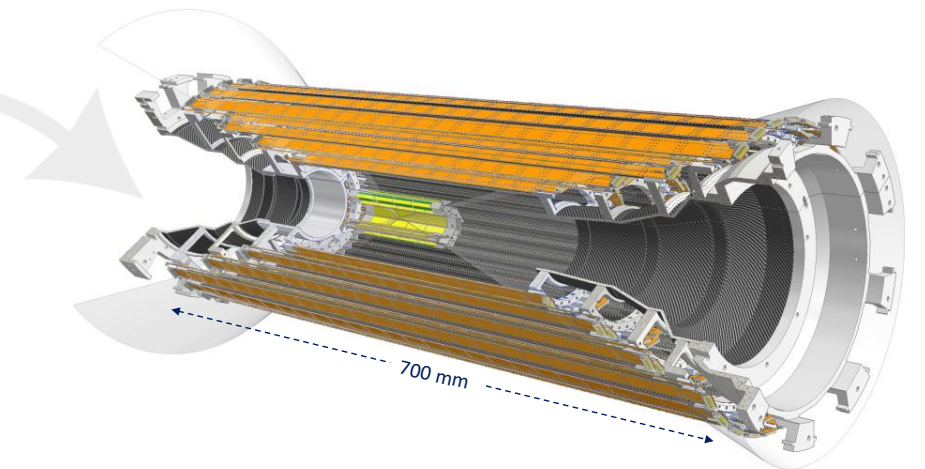
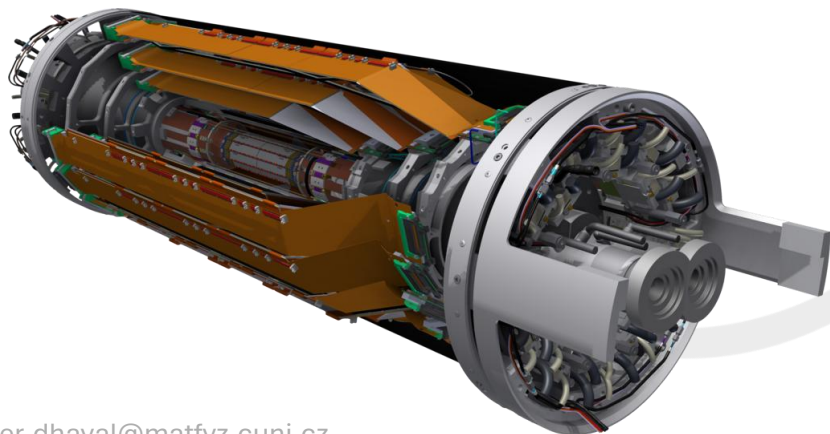
- Multiple beam tests (2022–2025) with 3–5 GeV electrons at DESY confirmed expected performance of non-irradiated and irradiated TJMP2 sensors

Irradiation Study (March 2025)

- Tested 3 p-irradiated and 1 e⁻-irradiated chips at NIEL fluences up to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- Efficiency degrades with temperature, especially for AC-coupled FE
- DC-coupled remains > 99% efficient up to ~40 °C, AC-coupled dropped faster with temperature

Future Plans

- Continue testing and validation of TJMP2 and OBELIX sensors
- Finalize OBELIX design and production
- Aiming submission of first version of OBELIX sensor in winter 2025
- Continue R&D and engineering activities on cooling and ladder prototypes.
- Prepare technical design report in 2027
- Goal to integrate and commission the upgraded detector for high luminosity operation after long shutdown 2 in ~2032



Conclusion

Current Status

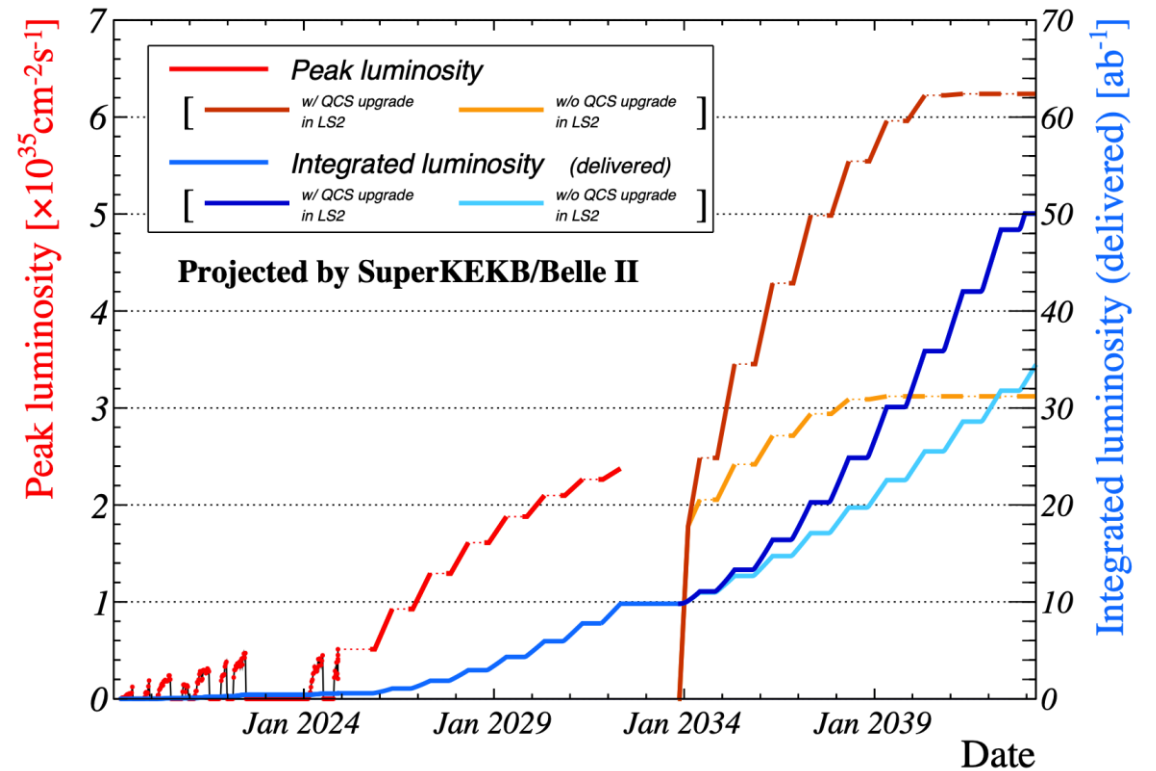
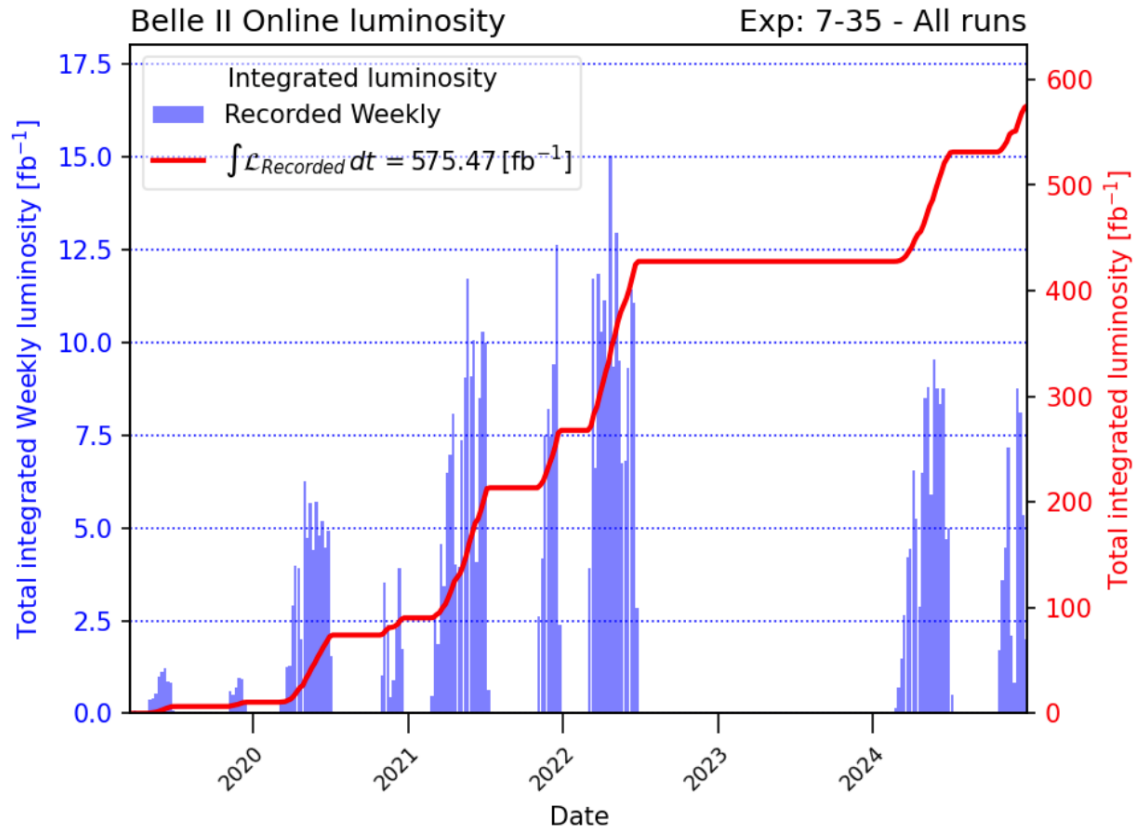
- Belle II is the only high energy/particle physics experiment to use a DEPFET-based pixel vertex detector
- PXD 1 running successfully (2019–2022) and PXD 2 showing stable performance in 2024, before sudden beam loss (SBL) events
- SVD continues to perform with >99% sensor efficiency, excellent signal-to-noise ratio, and minimal radiation-related degradation over multiple runs.
- Alignment systems and monitoring procedures ensure optimal vertex resolution for precise CP violation and lifetime measurements.
- VTX: Beam test and irradiation studies confirm that TJMP2 and OBELIX sensor designs meet performance expectations

Future plan

- Investigate sudden beam loss (SBL) events and implement enhanced fast-shutdown systems to safeguard the PXD
- Maintain and optimize the SVD performance under increased luminosity by developing new algorithms
- Complete the OBELIX sensor design, submit the first full-scale prototype by winter 2025
- Prepare for the major Belle II upgrade around 2032, featuring a fully pixelated CMOS-based vertex detector, VTX



Luminosity status



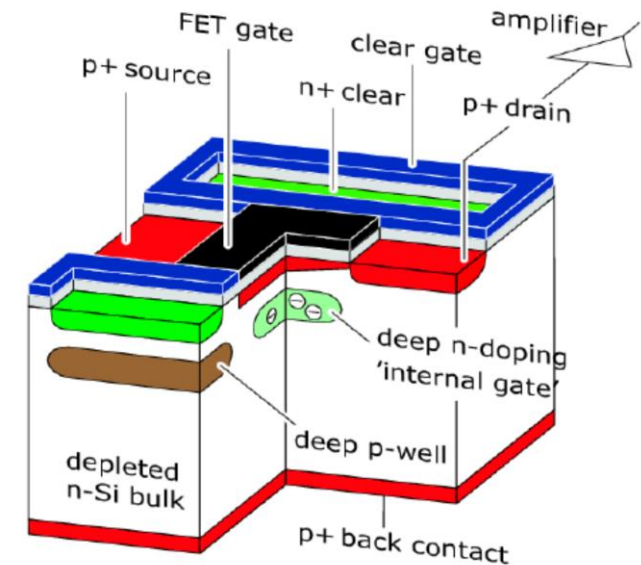
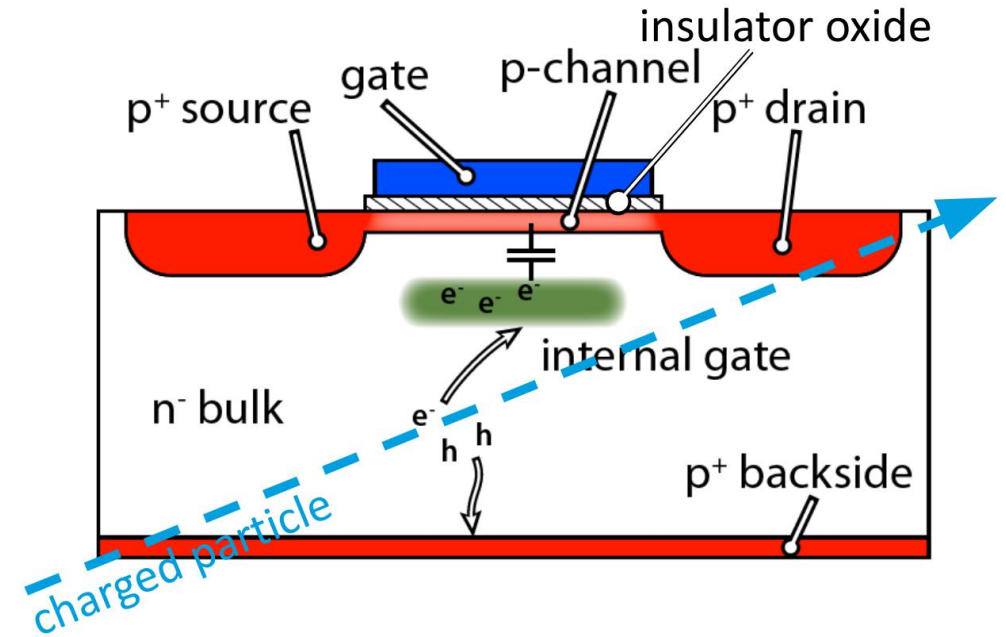
DEPFET sensor principle

How it works

- A Field Effect Transistor (FET) is built directly into a fully depleted silicon bulk.
- The internal gate (a deep n-implant beneath the channel) collects signal electrons, which in turn modify the source–drain current.
- After readout, the stored charge is removed through an n+ implant using a punch-through reset mechanism.

Why it's Important

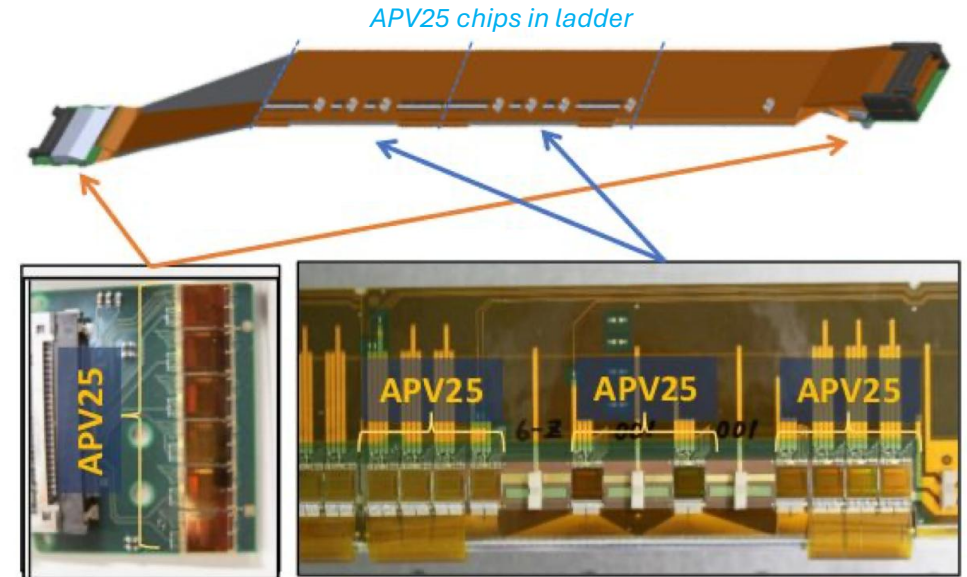
- Fast response
 - > charges are collected within nanoseconds
- ensuring excellent signal-to-noise performance
- Low power and low mass
 - > with only $\sim 75 \mu\text{m}$ active thickness, the sensor adds minimal material to the tracker
- Non-destructive readout



SVD Principle

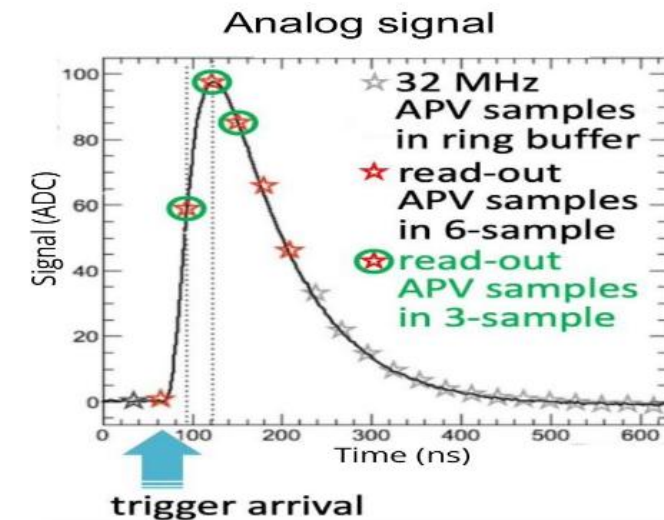
- **APV25 readout Architecture**

- > 50 ns shaping time
- > 192-cell analog pipeline / 128 channels
- > 40 MHz clock, >100 Mrad tolerance, 0.4 W power



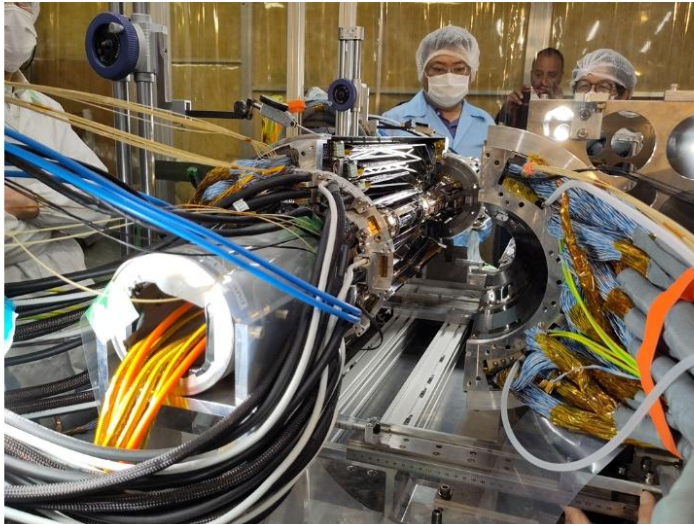
- **Operation mode**

- > Operated in multipeak mode @32 MHz ($\frac{1}{8}$ of SuperKEKB bunch crossing frequency of 254 MHz)
- > By default 6 samples of analog output are recorded to reconstruct output waveform
- > Alternative 3/6 mixed mode tested for high-luminosity to reduce data size

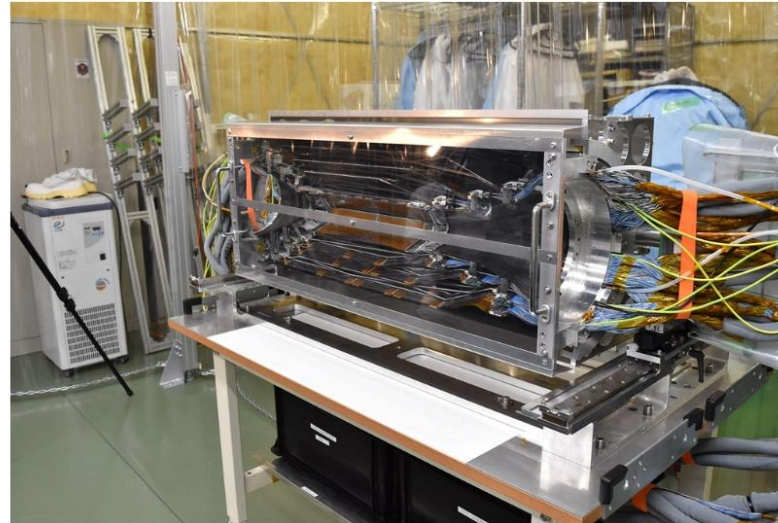


SVD During long shutdown

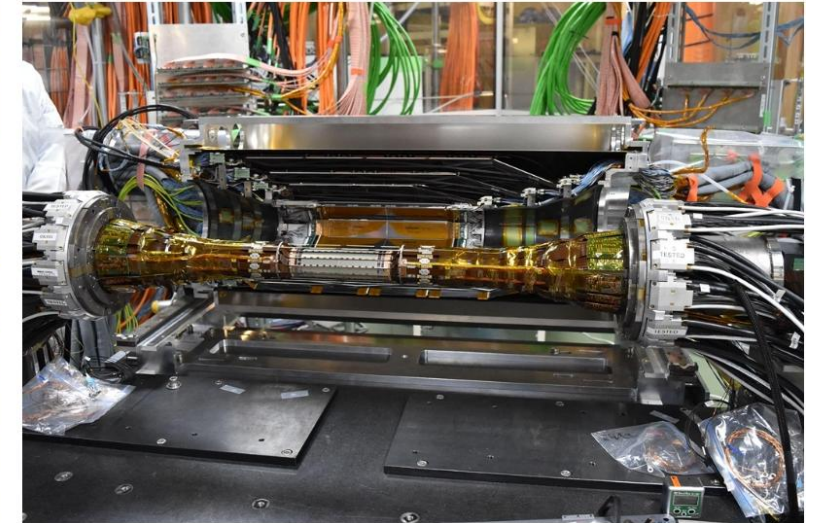
Opening the VXD



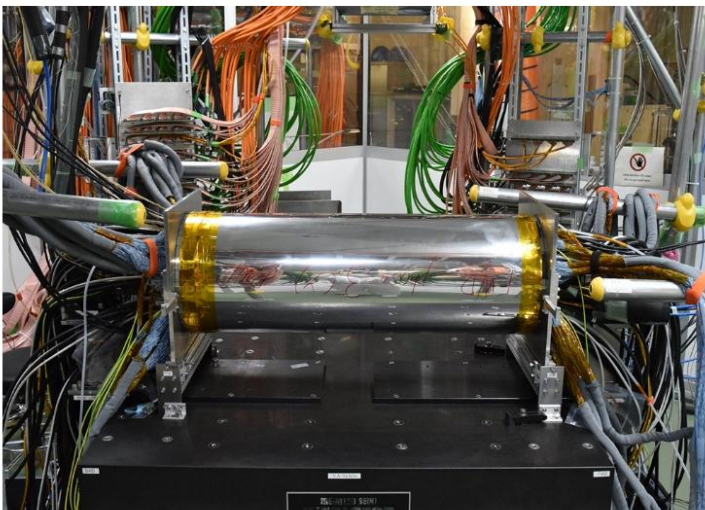
SVD Half



PXD insertion



Completed VXD



Towards Belle II



Reinstalling

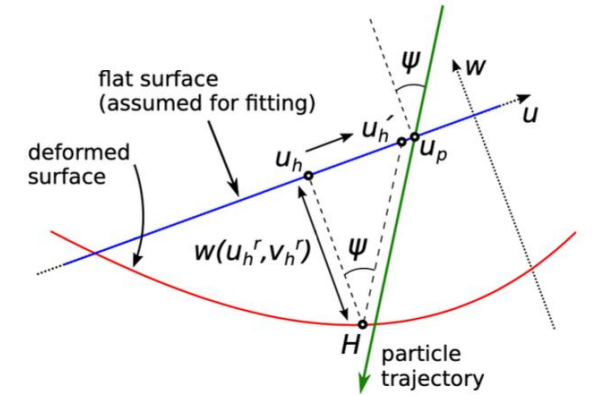
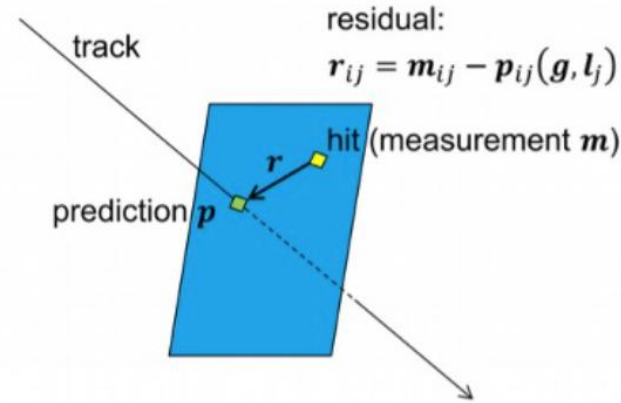


Misalignment Procedure

- The procedure uses residual between measured and expected positions of hits:

$$r_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\tau}_j, \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{u}_{ij}^m - \mathbf{u}_{ij}^p(\boldsymbol{\tau}_j, \mathbf{a})$$

- $\boldsymbol{\tau}_j$ is vector of track parameters and \mathbf{a} is vector of alignment parameters.



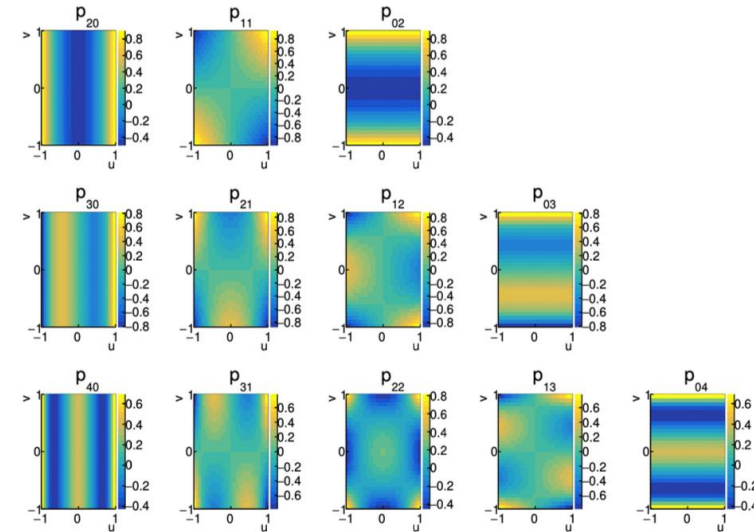
A charged track crosses the real deformed sensor surface

- For alignment purpose χ^2 function is defined as:

$$\chi^2(\boldsymbol{\tau}, \mathbf{a}) = \sum_j^{\text{tracks}} \sum_i^{\text{hits}} \left(\frac{r_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\tau}_j, \mathbf{a})}{\sigma_{ij}} \right)^2$$

$$\approx \sum_j^{\text{tracks}} \sum_i^{\text{hits}} \frac{1}{\sigma_{ij}^2} \left(r_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\tau}_j^0, \mathbf{a}^0) + \frac{\partial r_{ij}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} \delta \mathbf{a} + \frac{\partial r_{ij}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\tau}_j} \delta \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \right)^2$$

- Millepede II** algorithm: Minimizes χ^2 with respect to alignment and track parameters simultaneously.

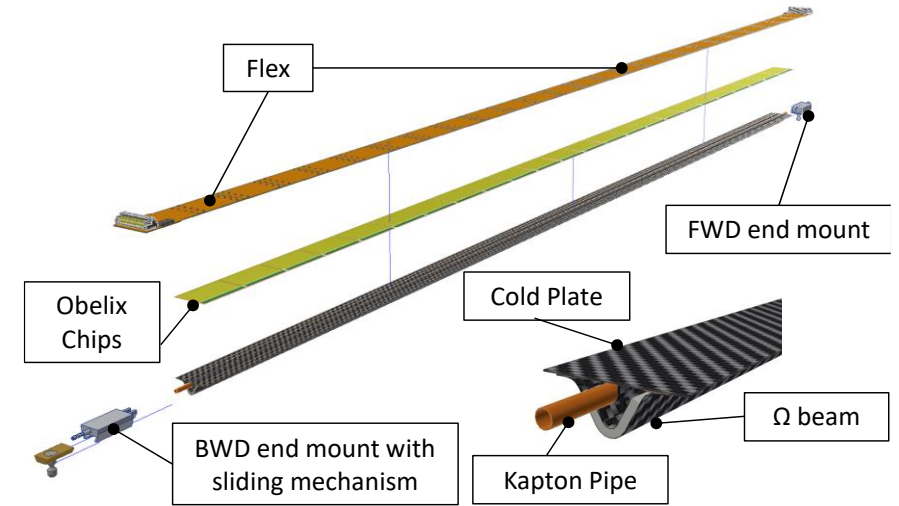


Base 2D Legendre polynomials corresponding to the decomposition coefficients and alignment parameters p_{ij}

VTX Design and Performance Details

VTX Design Specifics

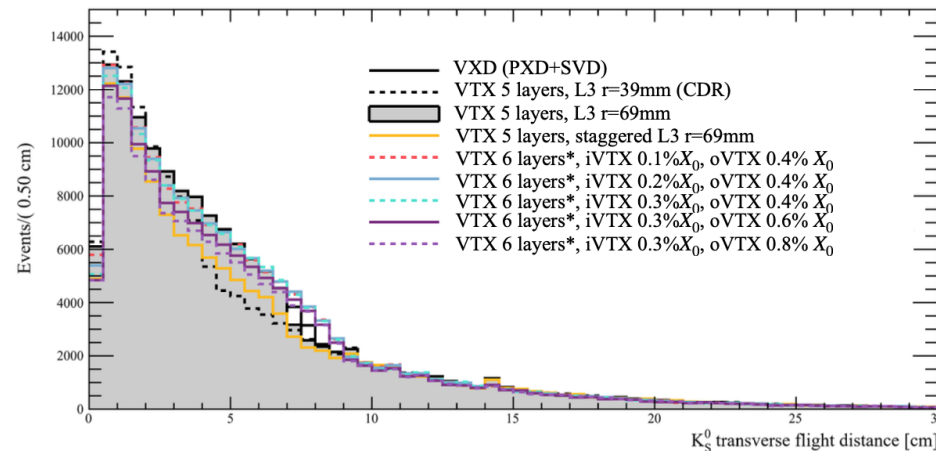
- **iVTX (L1-L2)**
 - All-silicon module with 4 OBELIX sensors diced as a block (50 μm thin, $\sim 400 \mu\text{m}$ border for stiffness)
 - Cooling
 - > liquid cooling in Al-pipes $\sim 0.4\% X_0/\text{ladder}$
 - > thermal conduction with Thermal Pyrolytic Graphite $\sim 0.3\% X_0/\text{ladder}$
- **oVTX (L3-L6)**
 - ladder design (carbon fiber Ω -beam + liquid-cooled cold-plate)



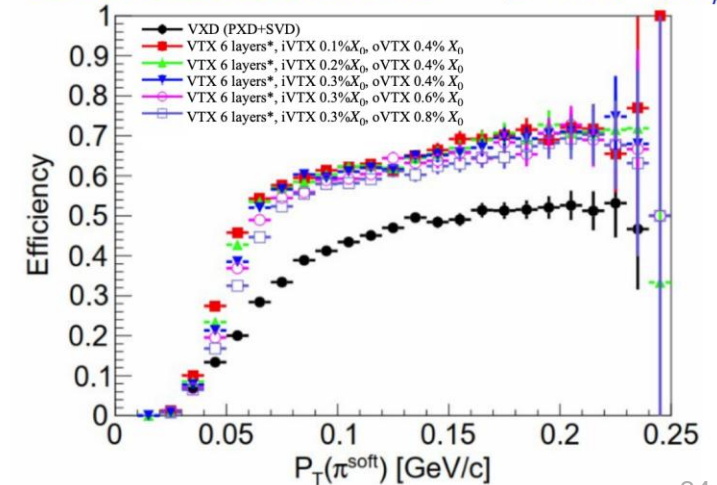
Studied reconstruction efficiency (K_S and slow π):

- Improved tracking efficiency
- Enhanced vertex resolution

K_S^0 reconstruction efficiency (from $B^0 \rightarrow J/\Psi + K_S^0$)



Soft π reconstruction (from $B^0 \rightarrow (D^0 + \pi^-) + \mu^+\nu_\mu$)



VTX Performance

TJMP2 beam tests (2022–2024) with 3–5 GeV

- **2022:** non-irradiated sensors achieved ~99% efficiency, ~9 μm resolution
- **2023:** irradiated ($5 \times 10^{14} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ protons): >99% efficiency (DC-coupled 99.99%, AC-coupled 98-99%).
- **2024:** high fluence/TID, DC-cascode >99.5% efficiency. threshold/noise rises above 40°C, e^- -irradiation less damaging, tuning less effective at high temps

TJMP2 Test Beam 2025

- Efficiency degrades with temp, especially for AC-coupled FE, DC-coupled remains >99% efficient up to $T_{\text{NTC}} \sim 40^\circ\text{C}$
- Operation above 40 °C is challenging due to increased leakage current and noise

TJMP2 Test Beam 2025

