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Outline

- Driver/Receiver Arrays with Redundancy
- VCSEL/PIN Array Irradiation with Protons/Pions
- Summary

Driver/Receiver with Redundancy

- designed an updated version of VCSEL driver and PIN receiver of current ATLAS Pixel detector but with redundancy
 - possible applications include current ATLAS pixel detector and its upgrade, IBL (Insertable Barrel Layer)
 - experience gained from the development/testing of such new chips would help the development of on-detector array-based opto-links for SLHC
 - submission of 1st prototype chip (130 nm) in 2/2010

Summary of Prototype Chips

prototyped 4-channel VCSEL driver and PIN receiver/decoder:

- ✓ redundancy to bypass broken PIN or VCSEL channel
- ✓ individual VCSEL current control
- ✓ power-on reset to set VCSEL current to ~ 10 mA on power up
- ✓ VCSEL driver can operate up to ~ 5 Gb/s with BER < $5x10^{-13}$
- ✓ receiver/decoder properly decodes signal with low threshold
- irradiation with 24 GeV protons to 1.7 x 10¹⁵ p/cm²
 - ✓ small decrease in VCSEL driver output current
 - ✓ very low SEU rate in latches: $\sim 3x10^{-7}$ /year/link
- submission of 12-channel chips: 5/2011



2011 PIN Receiver/Decoder



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- Decodes 40 Mb/s bi-phase mark (BPM) signal
- 4 spare PIN receivers for redundancy
- 8 FE-I4 command decoders
 - Allows remote control by voting between commands received by the 8 FE-I4 command decoders
 - If one of the 8 inner PIN diodes fail
 - signal from one of the 4 redundant channel amplifier outputs can be steered to the digital portion of the failed channel
 - Majority voting of the command decoder values determines the command to be executed
 - Allows working control if only 2 PIN channels are alive



VCSEL Driver Chip



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VCSEL Driver Chip

- Designed for 8 channel operation up to 5 Gb/s
- 4 spare VCSEL driver outputs
- Receives serial data from PIN receiver/decoder (command decoder vote) for configuration
- If one of the 8 inner VCSELs fail
 - the data signal from the detector can be steered to any of the spare VCSELs



Plan for SLHC Driver/Receiver

- Goal is to design 4-channel chips with GBT driver/receiver
- Use some circuits developed from prototypes
 - control circuit
 - high-speed switch/mux
 - serial transmitter/receiver
 - redundancy circuit
 - voltage regulator
- submission date: end of 2011?

VCSEL/PIN Irradiation

- Study radiation hardness of VCSEL/PIN arrays since 2006:
 - vendors: AOC, Optowell, ULM, Hamamatsu
 - speed: up to 10 Gb/s
 - results: identified following devices for irradiation with 20 arrays
 - Optowell 3.125 Gb/s PIN arrays (2009): large leakage current
 - ULM 4.25 Gb/s PIN arrays (2010): see next slides
 - AOC 10 Gb/s VCSEL (2010): see next slides

Irradiation of PIN with Protons

20 ULM 12-channel PIN arrays (4.25 Gb/s) were irradiated to a dose of 1.0 x 10¹⁵ p/cm² (24 GeV/c)

• decrease in PIN responsitivity is modest



Irradiation of PIN with Pions

2 ULM 12-channel PIN arrays (4.25 Gb/s) were irradiated to a dose of 4.3 x $10^{14} \pi/cm^2$ (300 MeV/c)

decrease in PIN responsitivity is small





Test of NIEL Hypothesis

• NIEL hypothesis:

- damage is proportional to the non ionizing energy loss (NIEL)
- 300 MeV pion is 1.5 more damaging than 24 GeV protons
- decrease in PIN responsivity with 4.3 x $10^{14} \pi/cm^2$: 81%
- decrease in PIN responsivity with 6.4 x 10^{14} p/cm²: 76%
- consistent with NIEL hypothesis

Irradiation of AOC VCSEL arrays

AOC 10 Gb/s VCSEL arrays were irradiated:

- 12 arrays to a dose of 8.0 x 10¹⁴ p/cm² (24 GeV/c)
- 1 array to a dose of 4.1 x $10^{14} \,\pi/cm^2$ (300 MeV/c)
- decrease in optical power is modest
- test of NIEL hypothesis complicated by annealing...





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Plan for VCSEL/PIN Array Irradiation

AOC 10 Gb/s VCSEL arrays:

- NIEL study: need to perform proton irradiation with no annealing
- need to repeat proton irradiation with higher statistics
 - half of arrays produced no light before irradiation last summer
 - AOC claimed due to material from sticky membrane
- ULM 10 Gb/s PIN arrays:
 - will test two of these newly available arrays to start



Summary

- 4-channel driver/receiver chips with redundancy and other improvements work well
- 12-channel driver/receiver chips will be submitted in May
- submission of 4-channel driver/receiver for SLHC in November???
- ULM PIN arrays: modest decrease in responsivity after irradiation
 - damage from pion/proton consistent with NIEL hypothesis
- AOC VCSEL arrays: modest decrease in opto-power after irradiation
- more irradiation of 10 Gb/s PIN/VCSEL arrays in summer 2011