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Radiation Hardness Assurance

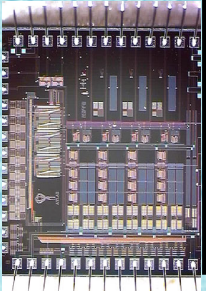


Types of radiation effects:

- Total Ionizing Dose (TID)
 - Change of device (transistor) properties, permanent
- Single Event Effects (SEE)
 - Single Event Latchup (SEL), possibly destructive
 - Single Event Upset (SEU), temporary (reset)
- ~~Non-Ionizing Energy Loss (NIEL)~~
 - not relevant for pure CMOS processes

TID and SEE tests have been performed according to the ATLAS standard radiation test procedures.

Additional data on the radiation hardness of the process exist from other sources



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Total Ionizing Dose (TID) test



Radiation Facility:

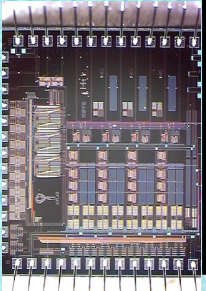
- Harvard Cyclotron
- 160 MeV proton beam, variable fluence up to $3 \cdot 10^{10}$ p/sec
- Beam diameter adjustable from 0.1 cm to 30 cm

Beam Setup and dose calculation:

- $4.41 \cdot 10^8$ p/cm² per Monitor Unit (MU)
- Ionizing dose in Silicon: 30.21 rad(Si)/MU.
- 2.38 MU/sec yields a dose rate of ~ 70 rad/sec.

DUT and total dose :

- 10 devices were irradiated to a TID of 302 krad
- 5 non-irradiated devices characterized for comparison



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TID test setup

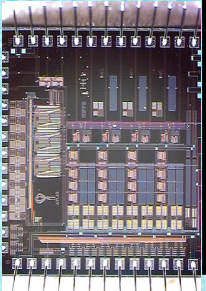


Online monitored DC parameters:

- ◆ On-chip bias generator voltages
- ◆ Pre-amp input levels
- ◆ LVDS output levels
- ◆ Power consumption

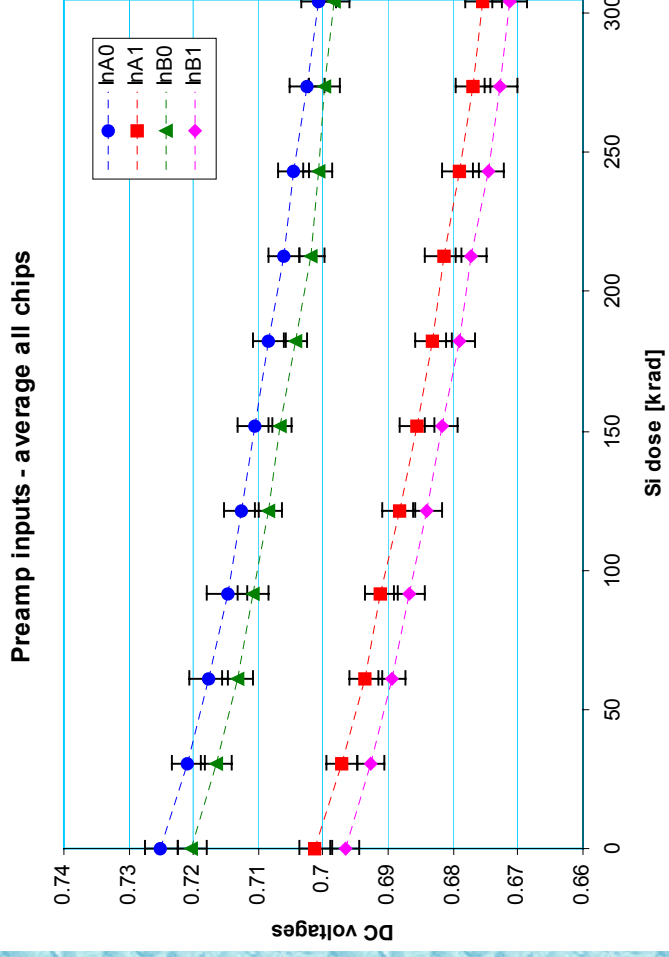
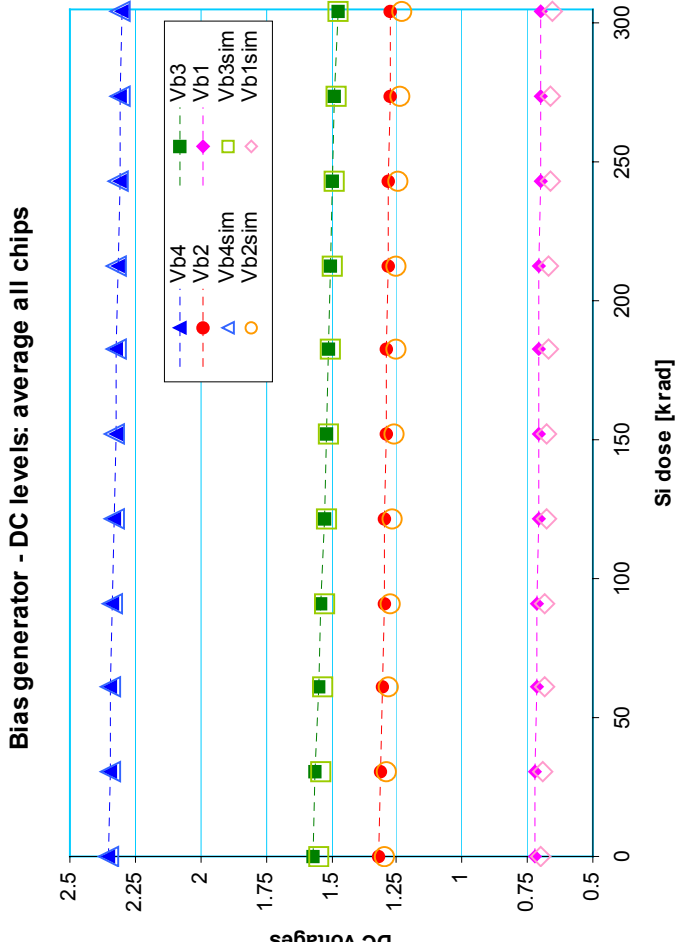
All values are displayed on screen for immediate observation and are also recorded with the proper timing information for offline analysis

During irradiation the DUT is biased and run under its nominal operating conditions, however there are no signals passed through the analog amplifier chain. The digital part is exercised periodically



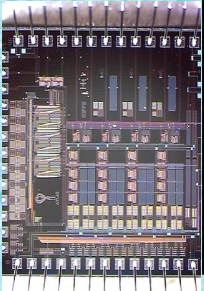
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Results - DC parameters (I)



The observed changes in DC parameters appeared very similar on all of 10 irradiated devices so only the averages across all DUTs are plotted.

- Pre-amp bias voltages dropped between 2% (Vb4) and 5% (Vb3)
- Pre-amp input DC levels dropped by 3% - 4%.

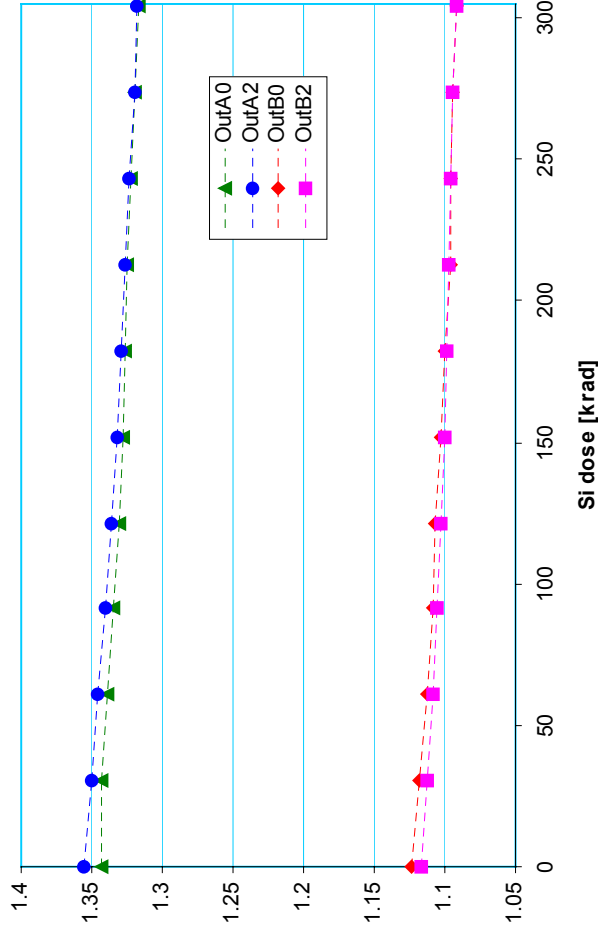


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Results - DC parameters (II)

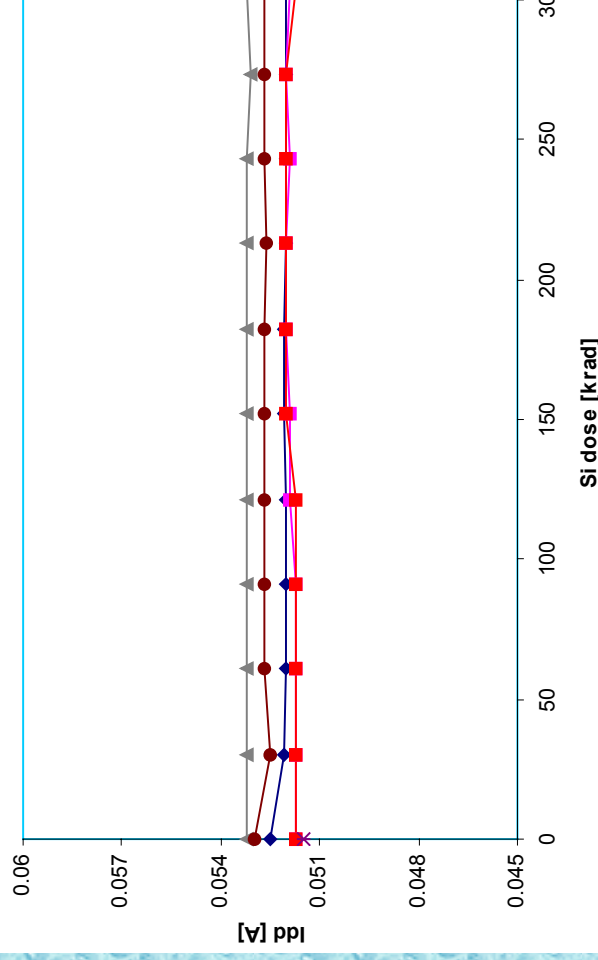


LVDS outputs - average all chips

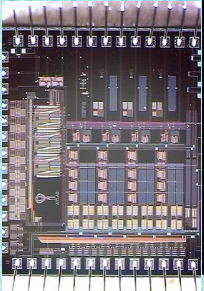


- The DC levels of the LVDS output drivers drop 2% - 3%

Supply current - Idd (chip 5 - 10)

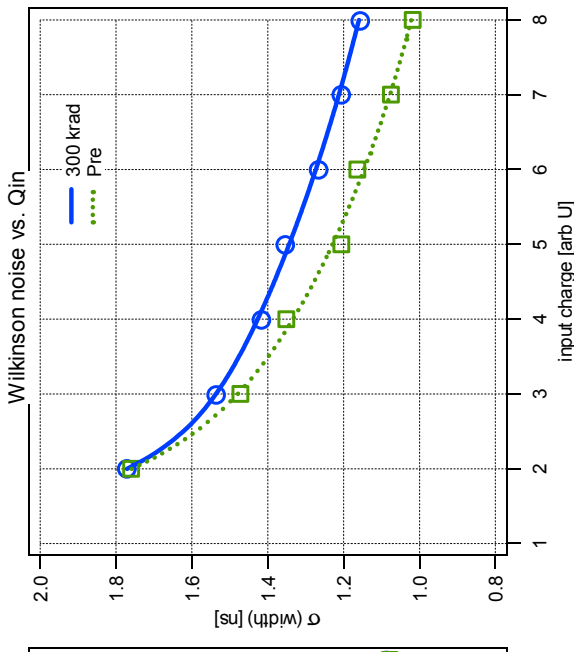
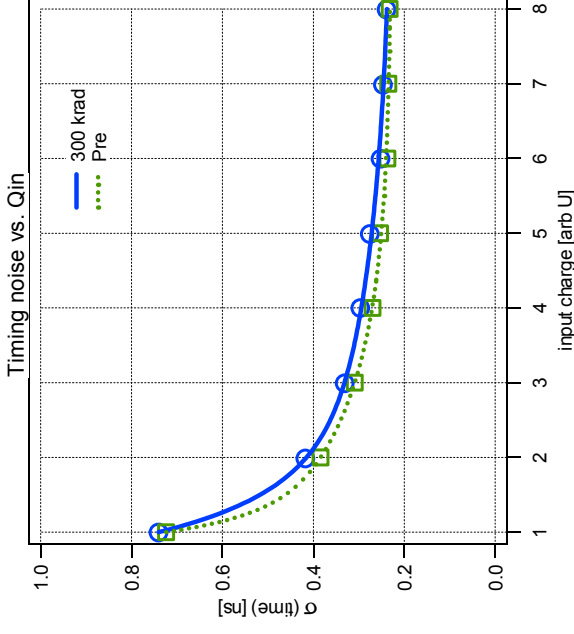
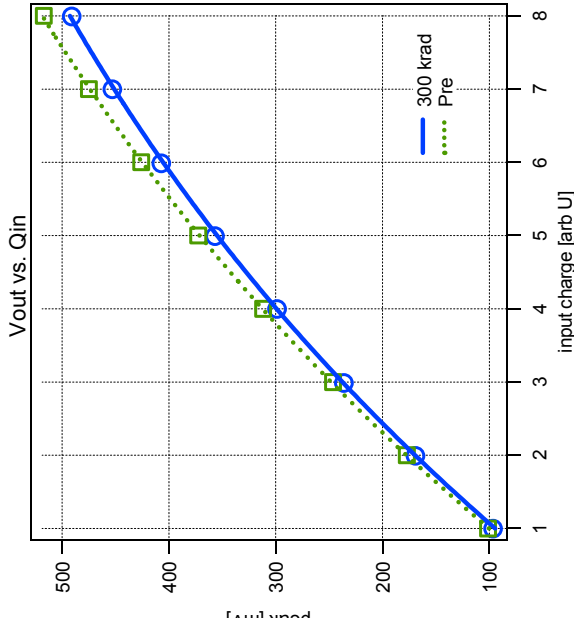


- There was no measurable increase in power consumption - no noticeable radiation induced leakage current increase occurred

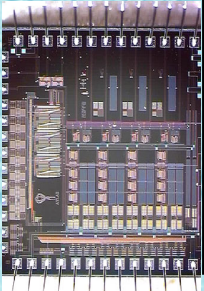


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Results - Performance Parameters



Parameter	MAX change	AVG(input charge) change	System context/comment
Wilkinson pulse width	± 0	± 0	—
Wilkinson width jitter	+ 146 ps r.m.s.	+ 93 ps r.m.s.	< 0.1% of typical pulse
RMS timing error	+ 45 ps r.m.s.	+ 28 ps r.m.s.	3.5% of TDC bin width
Amplifier gain	- 26 mV peak	- 15 mV peak	minus 5%
RMS noise	± 0	± 0	—
Shaper peaking time	- 161 ps	- 153 ps	minus 0.1%



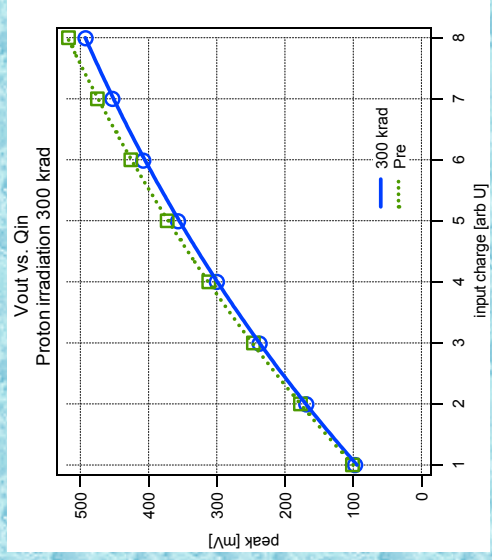
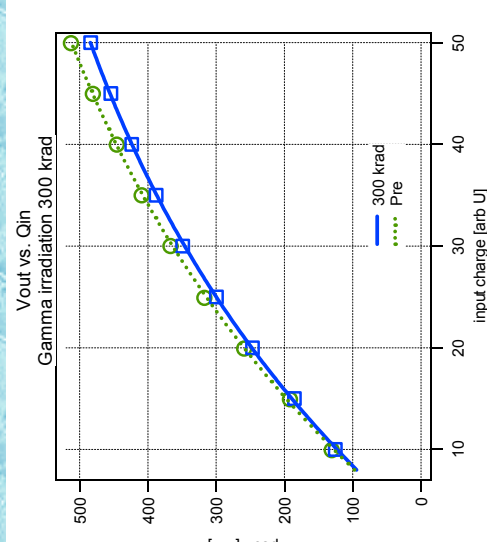
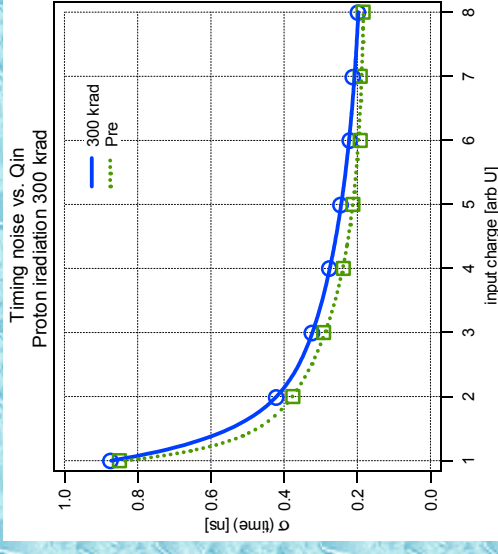
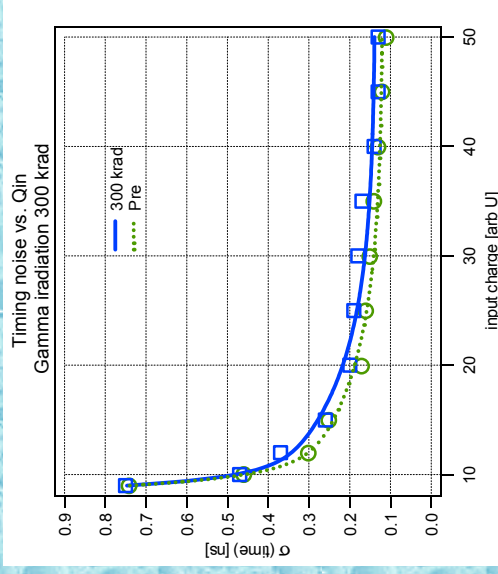
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Comparison to Gamma Radiation Data

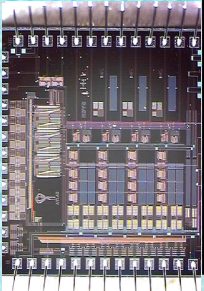


Gamma irradiation of ASD00A at the CERN X-ray facility

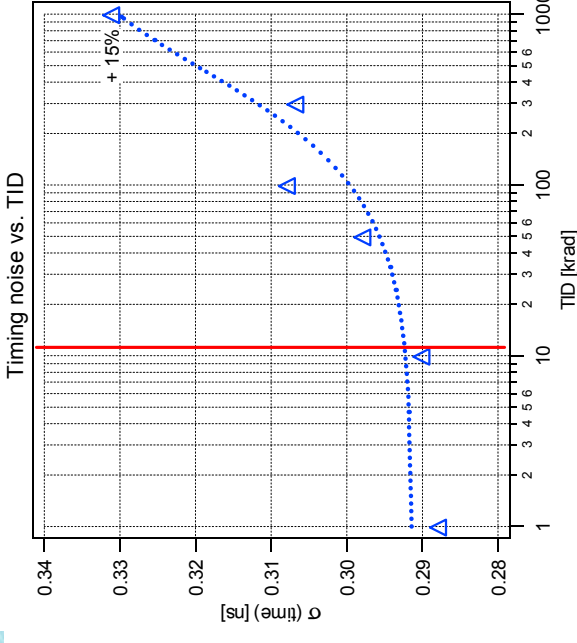
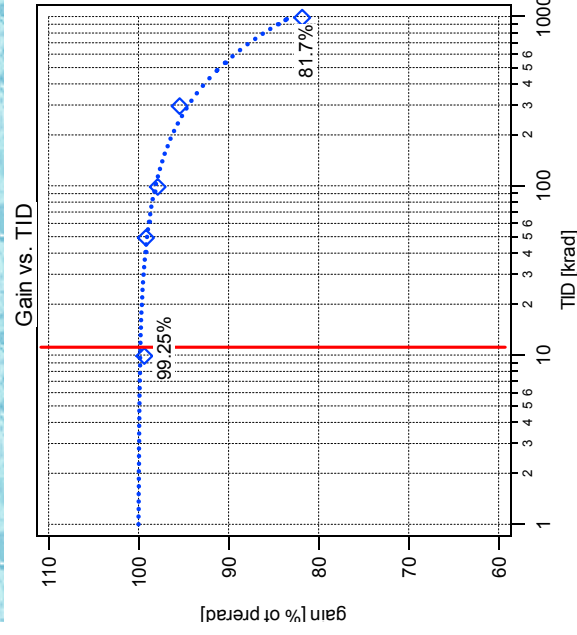
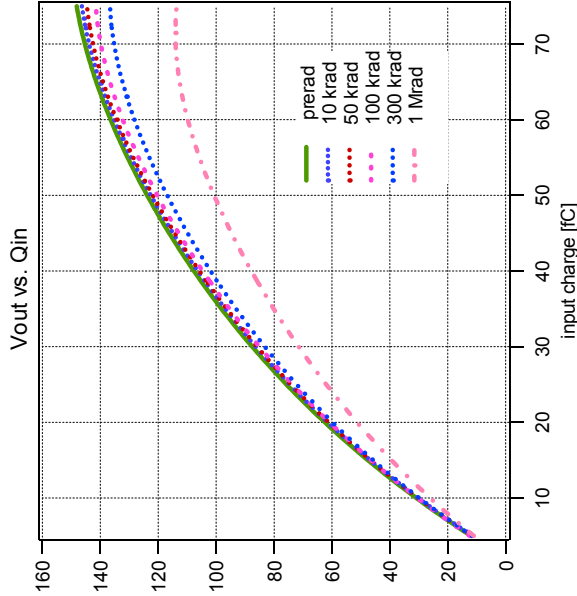
- ◆ 30 keV gammas
- ◆ TID of 1 Mrad
- ◆ Steps: 10k, 50k, 100k, 300k, 1Mrad
- ◆ Dose rate: ~ 170 rad/sec



Parameter	Gammas	Protons
Wilk. jitter increase	118 ps	91 ps
Time error increase	25 ps	28 ps
Amp gain decrease	15.4 mV	15.3 mV



MDT-ASD PRR Gamma TID results



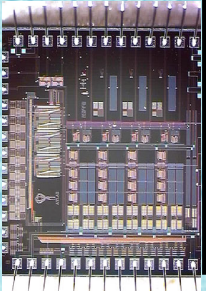
The averaged RMS timing error increases by **7 %** after **300 krad TID**

At the RTC_{TID} for ASIC qualification, the RMS timing error increase is **negligible**

The voltage gain of the complete analog signal chain - pre-amp, shaper (3 diff amps), analog pad driver drops by **5 %** after **300 krad TID**

At RTC_{TID} the gain drop of the full chain is of the order of **1 %**

The chip is fully functional after **1 Mrad** with a gain drop of **18 %** and a timing error increase of **15 %**



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HP 0.5 μ m CMOS process: TID tolerance



“Total Dose Hardness . . .”:

(Osborne et. al., IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., 1998)

Dose	V _{th} NMOS	V _{th} PMOS	Gate delay
100 krad	-40 mV	18 mV	+0.6%

“The best TID radiation tolerance is achieved in the HP 0.5 μ m process. **The average change in threshold voltage at 100 krad is less than 40 mV for the n-channel and less than 20 mV for the p-channel devices.**”

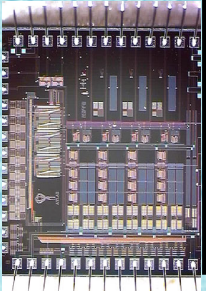
“The HP 0.5 μ m process appears to be a candidate for missions with a total dose requirement of **100 krad.**”

(Paul O`Connor, BNL, 1999)

CSC-ASD (similar circuit), ⁶⁰Co irradiation

Results (**1 Mrad**):

- increase in supply current negligible, almost no radiation induced leakage current.
- Gain drop: 4.06 -> 3.99 mV/fC (- 1.5 %)
- Noise increase: 1750 -> 2050 rms e⁻ ENC (+ 17 %)
- No wave-form change



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Single Event Effect (SEE) test



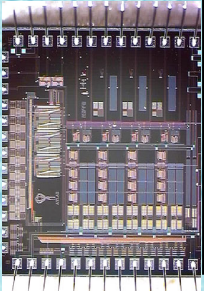
Radiation Facility:

- ◆ Harvard Cyclotron
- ◆ 160 MeV proton beam

Beam Setup and Fluence:

- ◆ $1.05 \cdot 10^9 \text{ p} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$
- ◆ 1.7 cm beam diameter
- ◆ 10 devices up to a fluence $\simeq 4.4 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ p} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$ per device
- ◆ Total fluence $4.46 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ p} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$

- For Single Event Upset (SEU) monitoring the test system periodically reads all on-chip register contents, compares them to an initial state and re-writes the registers.
- Every bit flip is recorded and time stamped. The period of this read-write cycle is approximately 3 seconds.
- The power consumption of the DUT is monitored to catch Single Event Latchups (SEL).
- During irradiation the DUT is biased and run under its nominal operating conditions, however there are no signals passed through the analog amplifier chain.



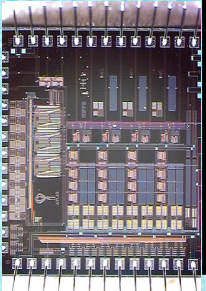
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SEE Test Results



Chip ID	# SEU	Shift Reg bit	Setup Reg bit	at p/cm ²	total p/cm ²
1	2	39	92	2.64E+012	4.40E+012
2	1	52	-	1.76E+011	4.61E+012
3	0	-	-	-	4.40E+012
4	0	-	-	-	4.76E+012
5	2	46	99	1.76E+012	4.41E+012
6	0	-	-	-	4.41E+012
7	0	-	-	-	4.41E+012
8	0	-	-	-	4.41E+012
9	2	29	82	3.53E+012	4.41E+012
10	0	-	-	-	4.41E+012
Total SEU	7			Total fluence	4.46E+013

- ◆ 7 SEUs (bit flips) were observed after $4.46 \cdot 10^{13}$ protons·cm⁻²
- ◆ 4 SEUs in the shift register, 3 SEUs in the setup register
- ◆ No hard/destructive SEEs (stuck bits, latch-ups) occurred



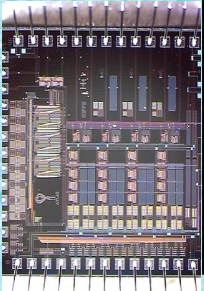
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SEU - impact calculation



$4.46 \cdot 10^{13}$ p·cm ⁻²	Total test fluence
$6.38 \cdot 10^{12}$ p·cm ⁻²	Average fluence per SEU (7)
$1.33 \cdot 10^{12}$ h·cm ⁻²	Fluence for 10 years ATLAS (SRL _{see})
0.2086	Average SEU per device (10 years)
46'000	Number of devices
9'595	Total SEU - all devices (10 years)
959.5	SEU / year
4.80	SEU / day (assuming 200 days running)
2.40	SEU / day (only setup register)
~ 1	Worst case SEU / month

- Proton irradiation of 10 devices up to a total fluence of $4.46 \cdot 10^{13}$ p·cm⁻² yielded enough statistics to make a solid prediction on average fluence per SEE per device.
- The relevant numbers are 0.2 SEUs per device in 10 years and 2.4 SEUs per day for all of ATLAS. No hard/destructive SEE (e.g. latch-ups) occurred.
- The worst case impact of one SEU is the loss of 8 channels out of 360'000 for the time of one update interval.
- Occurrence probability of 1 out of 53 SEUs or approximately once per month.
- The SEU rate is very manageable and will not cause any considerable degradation in performance of the ATLAS MDT detector.



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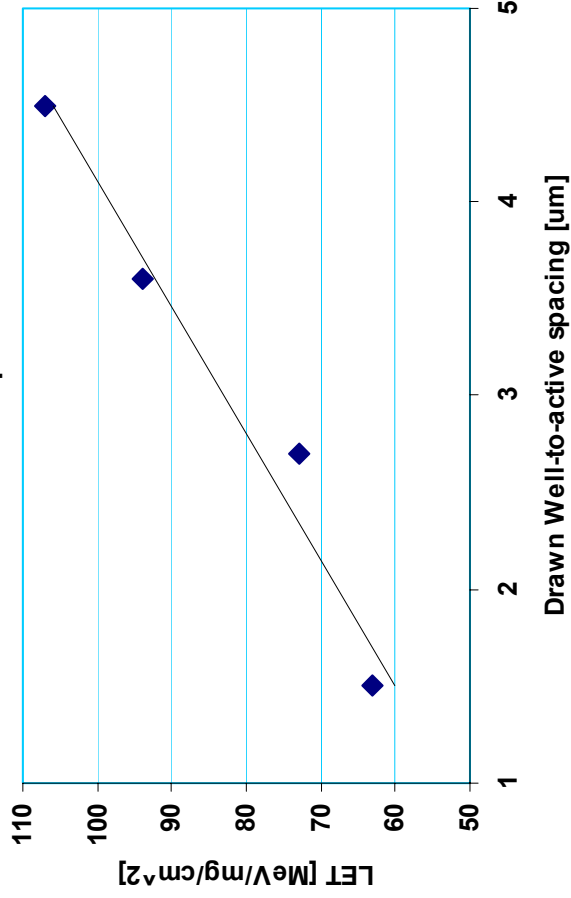
HP 0.5 μ m CMOS process: SEL tolerance



“Single Event Latchup ...”:
(Osborn et. al. 7th NASA Symposium
on VLSI design, 1998)

Conservative design rules:
(MOSIS SCMOS)

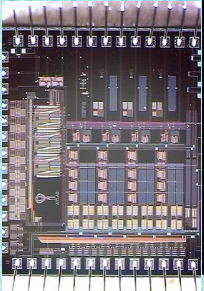
Double Min. Well-to-Active spacing: 3 μ m



81 LET latchup threshold

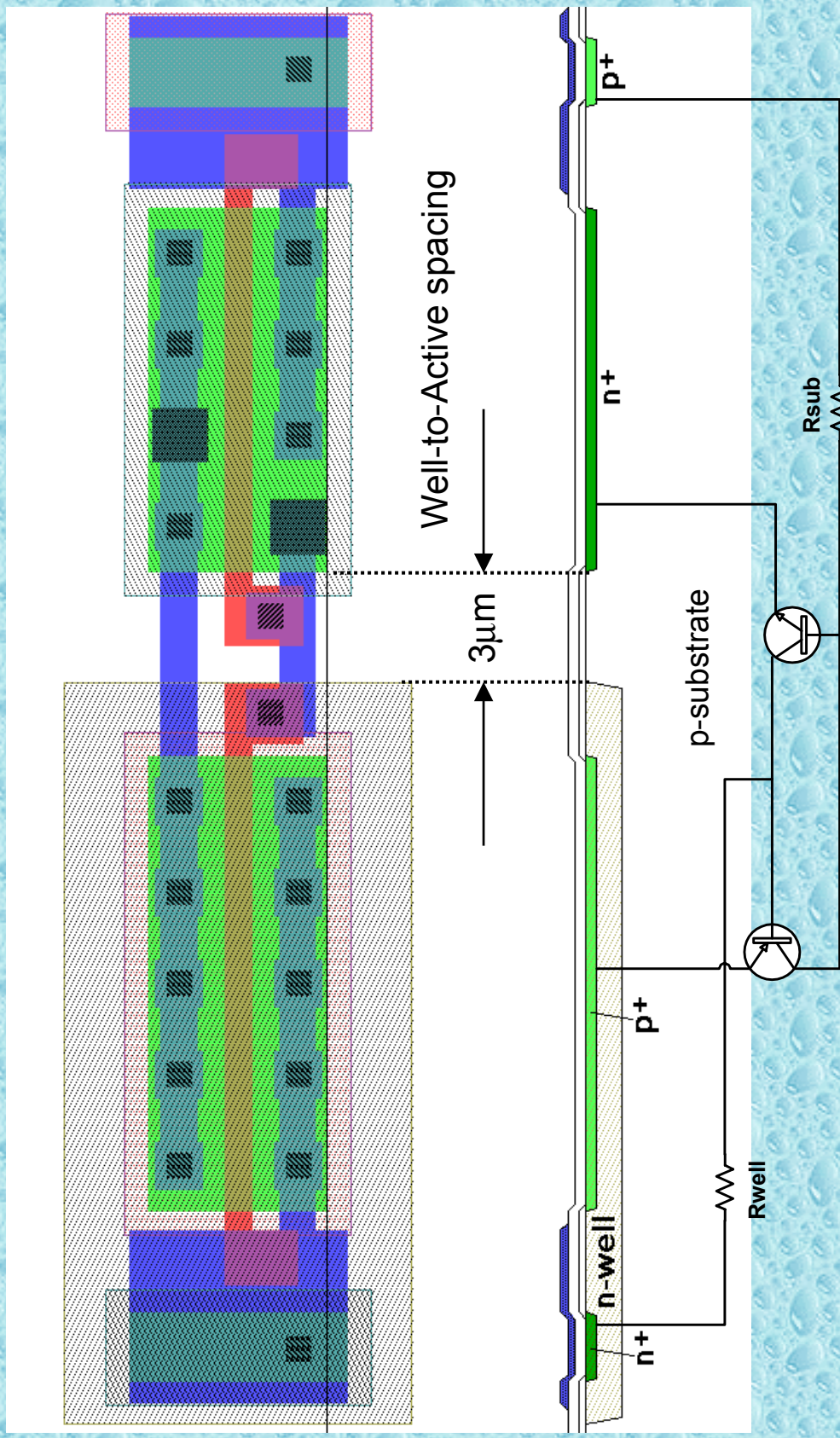
“A recent simulation study [Huthinen et al.]
has shown that the maximum energy deposition
occurring with non-negligible probability
in the LHC radiation environment will
correspond locally to a LET lower than
50 MeV cm²mg⁻¹.”

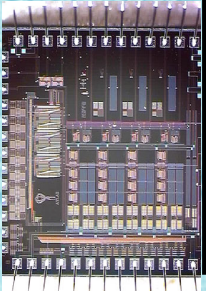
(Extremely rare “worst-case” assumption)



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CMOS Latchup - Well-to-Active Spacing





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ASD radiation tolerance: Summary



→ Total Ionizing Dose (TID)

- ASD fully functional after ionizing dose corresponding to 17 times worst case RTC (1 DUT) and ~ 5 times RTC (10DUTs)
- No measurable increase in supply current ⇒ radiation induced leakage current insignificant
- Device parameter changes at expected maximum dose completely negligible

→ Single Event Effects (SEE)

Single Event Upset (SEU)

Worst case SEU expected at a rate of ~ 1 per month

Hard/destructive SEE:

No occurrence

Single Event Latchup (SEL):

Process tested for SEL - critical LET not expected in LHC