



Planar Edgeless Silicon Detectors for the TOTEM Experiment

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1. The TOTEM experiment



In order to determine the total cross section of pp interactions with 1% uncertainty at $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV, the TOTEM experiment will detect leading protons scattered in angles of microradians. This is achieved using tracking detectors with a minimized insensitive edge not exceeding 50 µm inserted into Roman Pots (RP).



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The tracking detectors must be placed as close as possible to the 10 σ envelope of the beam



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1.3 Requirements on the "edgeless"

The detectors must fulfill the following requirements:

- Spatial resolution of 10-20 μm
- Charge collection time not exceeding 25 ns
- Radiation hardness up to 10¹⁴ "n"/cm²
- Operational temperature not below -20°C
- Inactive edge not exceeding 50 μm

Two different technologies are being considered:

- planar "edgeless" detectors
- planar "edgeless" detectors with 3D edges



This design allows full separation of surface and bulk generated current

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2.1 Small size detector test setup







Back Side



Arrangement of the detectors along the beam line

Module with detectors and readout electronics: •Test Detectors placed edge-to-edge, reference detector pitch 50 µm •APV25 chips used for read-out

The small size detectors were tested in a high energy muon beam at CERN

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2.2 Small size detector performance

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Signal-to-noise ≈18 for a detector thickness of 300µm



Detectors fully sensitive up to 60 μ m from the edge



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Studies on irradiated silicon detectors:

- No increase in the surface current with fluence (as expected)
- Bulk current increases with fluence in agreement with what is observed in standard planar detectors (damage factor $\alpha = \frac{Current}{Volume \times Fluence} = 5 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm}$)

These data suggest a radiation hardness for the Edgeless Planar detectors equal to the standard planar detectors up to 10¹⁴ "n"/cm²



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Smaller dead area than for planar technology

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Final size edgeless detectors were produced and tested in 2004 :

- In a fixed target experiment with high energy muons
- In a coasting beam experiment with high energy protons

4.1 Temperature performance of the final size detectors



Surface current less reduced than bulk current by cooling

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4.2 Detector performance test in fixed target experiment



Triggering: VFAT digital chip and/or scintillators
Tracking readout: APV25 analog chip

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2 triggering planes

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4.3 Detector response



Faster collection time with increasing voltage, signal-to-noise ratio allows high signal selection efficiency

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4.4 Hit distributions of reference and test detectors



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4.5 Track reconstruction







4.6 Full size detectors test setup in coasting beam



Tests of full size detectors in coasting beam:

- High energy (200 GeV) proton beam
- Beam halo particles detected for various d₁, d₂ distances
- Typical event rate of 3 kHz

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4.7 Final Size Detector Performance in coasting beams



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5. Conclusion



The edgeless planar detectors fulfill following criteria:

- Sensitivity up to 60 μm from the edge
- Charge collection time below 25 ns
- Radiation hardness up to fluences of 10¹⁴ "n"/cm²
- Operational temperature not below -10°C





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