# Radiation issues in the single tunnel environment

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  - neutrons
- influence of radiation on electronic devices
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#### FLASH – the Pilot Project for XFEL



#### **XFEL Tunnel Layouts**



Panoramic view of the XFEL Tunnel showing the Cryomodule, Utility ducts and Electrical cable trays

## Shielded Space for LLRF-Electronics



#### In-situ Radiation Dosimetry at FLASH Module





Gamma Dose Rate along the module tank



Neutron Fluence Rate along the module tank

#### Gamma Dose Measurement along FLASH during Routine Operation at a gradient of ~21 MV/m



- Accelerated dark current from RF gun is the prime source of gamma dose
- Gamma dose rate drops with the distance from the RF gun
- Gamma dose rate at the cryomodule (ACC 1) near bunch compressor (BC #1) is two orders of magnitude higher than the distant module ACC 5
- The dose distribution pattern along the module surface is non-homogeneous
- The radiation dose at modules far away for the RF gun caused by the accelerated field emission electrons

Gamma Dose Measurement along the Accelerator Module 5 at different Gradients (RF Gun off)



Gamma dose rates along ACC 5 running in field emission mode (RF gun off)

Average Gamma dose rate as a function of Gradient

Gamma Dose Rate skyrockets with the Gradient across the accelerator module

#### In situ Dosimetry of Neutron and Gamma Radiation Fields in FLASH Environment



Gamma dose rates along ACC 5 running in field emission mode (RF gun off)

Neutron dose (kerma) rate along ACC 5 running in Field-Emission mode

> Gamma Dose rate is 4 orders of magnitude higher than neutron kerma (Si) rate.

#### Radiation Induced Cryogenic Loss



The TLD (gammas) and Bubble detectors (Neutrons) were used to assess radiation doses (kerma) and then used to derive the Cryogenic Losses

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## The influence of radiation on electronic devices

Photons and particles in a form of radiation can basically generate following types of effects in silicon components:

- permanent
  - ionizing effect (TID)
  - displacement damage (DDD)
- transient (SEE Single Event Effect)
  - non-destructive (SET, SEU, SEFI)
  - destructive (SEL, SEB, SEGR)

#### Ionization effects in MOS transistor



#### Degradation of MOS transistor parameters

- modification of the threshold voltage V<sub>1</sub>
- decrease of transconductance
- increase of leakage currents
- reduction of drain-source breakdown voltage
- deterioration of noise parameters
- reduction in surface mobility
- increase of the surface recombination rate

### Single Event Effects (SEE)



A parasitic thyristor structure responsible for SEL in CMOS inverter



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#### Monte Carlo Simulation of Shielding Concrete



(a) Input neutron spectrum (fission spectrum)

- (b) Ordinary concrete with no  $B_{4}C$
- (c) Heavy concrete with 5%  $B_{a}C$
- (d) Heavy concrete with 10%  $B_{4}C$
- (e) Heavy concrete with 20%  $B_4C$

Showing the integrated neutron dose equivalent on the surface of a 50 cm radius concrete shield with different amounts of  $B_4C$ 

#### **Thin Thermal Neutron Shield**

SRAM No	Irradiation Mode	SEU count			
1	Am-Be (bare)	40			
2	Am-Be (water mod)	275			
3	Am-Be (water mod + B shield)	19			
4	Linac (bare)	117			
5	Linac (Polyeth. mod)	619			
<mark>6</mark>	Linac (Polyeth. mod + B shield)	<mark>15</mark>			

The normalised SEU counts of the bare, polyethylenemoderated and shielded with Borated Polyethylene



#### **SEU tolerance**

- SEU tolerant hardware (microcontroller based on PIC16C57 architecture designed and implemented)
- SEU tolerant algorithms (IQ detection designed and implemented)
- development of SEU-tolerant operating system (sCORE operating system - in progress)

#### **Radiation-tolerant Microcontroller**



#### SEU tolerant IQ detection algorithm



#### IQ detection algorithm - simulation

- Randomly generated SEUs were affecting all registers
- Almost all errors were corrected (except errors in output registers – application of error correcting codes is required)
- Only double hardware redundancy



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#### Conclusion

- In the environment of high-energy electron accelerators driving the FLASH/XFEL the Gamma rays predominate over the neutrons
- Total Ionizing Dose (TID) is the main source radiation of effects while Displacement Damage is negligible
- Real-time (on-line) gamma monitoring is imperative to optimize the module gradient in order to reduce the gamma doses, thereby lowering the TID effects to electronics
- The efficient countermeasures can be applied
  - 20 cm thick borated heavy-concrete shield reduces the gamma dose by a factor of 50 (simulation results using MCNP code, the measurements in FLASH are ongoing)
  - 6 mm thick composite material based local shield reduces the SEU probability by a factor 10<sup>-4</sup>
  - application of the hardware and software redundancy allowing detection and correction SEU driven errors