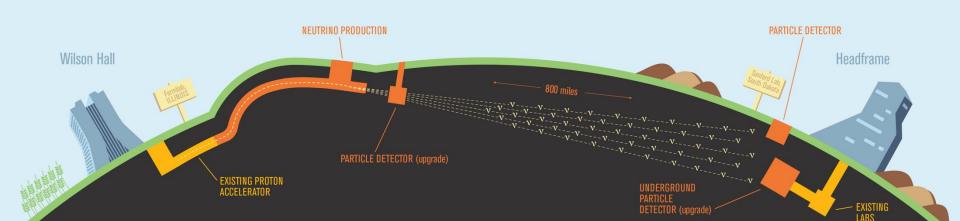




### QC on W&M PCBs

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# **Tooth strip lateral positions**

Measurements with the Keyence imaging machine at Manchester suggested that some boards had tooth strips misplaced by more than the 200 µm tolerance

The worst out by a little over 300 μm

This should be visible by eye when lined up with an in-tolerance board

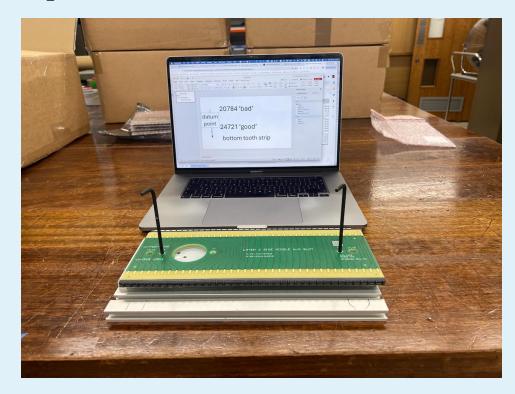
8760026 Board From W&M (UK ID:20784) 22/07/2024				
S/N	nsion in Model ured Dimension Difference (mm)			Position
	Top Board Part			
1	280.9	281.028	0.128	edge
2	277.165	277.062	0.103	core
3	133.165	133.115	0.05	core
4	14.7	14.721	0.021	edge
5	10.835	10.874	0.039	core
	Middle Board Part			
6	60.3	60.431	0.131	core
7	60.3	60.391	0.091	core
8	60.3	60.39	0.09	core
9	60.3	60.382	0.082	core
10	60.3	60.386	0.086	core
11	60.3	60.396	0.096	core
Bottom Board Part				
12	13.265	12.907	0.358	core
13	130.735	131.048	0.313	core
14	274.735	275.037	0.302	core
15	278.6	278.741	0.141	edge
16	17	16.993	0.007	edge





We used the board with UK ID 24721 as the comparison board, as the Keyence measurements showed this tooth strip to be well aligned

The comparison board is then aligned on top of this





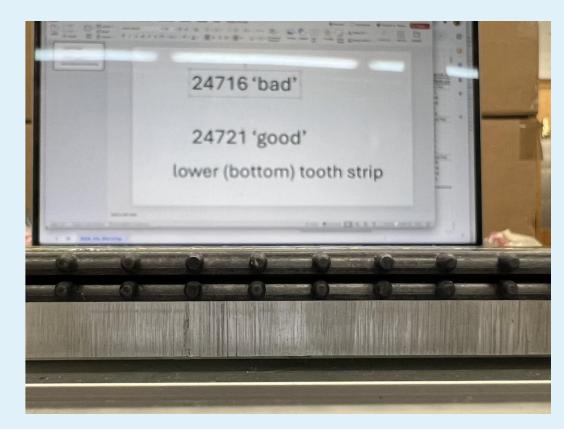


#### This is an example of a 'bad' board

- UK ID 24716, showing the 'bottom' tooth strip
- Shifted slightly to the right

In all cases, Justin didn't tell Hamza what to expect, and in all cases Hamza was able to identify a shift consistent with that seen by the Keyence

8760026 Board From W&M (UK ID:24716) 22/07/2024				
S/N	nsion in Model ured Dimension Difference (mm)			Position
	Top Board Part			
1	280.9	281.067	0.167	edge
2	277.165	276.887	0.278	core
3	133.165	132.908	0.257	core
4	14.7	14.71	0.01	edge
5	10.835	11.075	0.24	core
	Middle Board Part			
6	60.3	60.423	0.123	core
7	60.3	60.433	0.133	core
8	60.3	60.408	0.108	core
9	60.3	60.307	0.007	core
10	60.3	60.367	0.067	core
11	60.3	60.43	0.13	core
	Bottom Board Part			
12	13.265	13.044	0.221	core
13	130.735	130.971	0.236	core
14	274.735	274.953	0.218	core
15	278.6	278.755	0.155	edge
16	17	17.143	0.143	edge



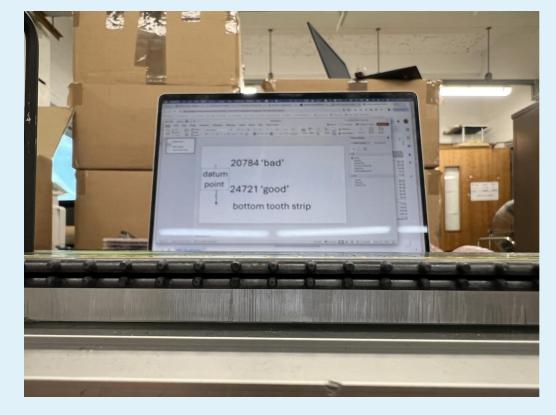




#### Another example of a 'bad' board

- UK ID 20786, showing the 'bottom' tooth strip
- Shifted slightly to the right

8760026 Board From W&M (UK ID:20784) 22/07/2024				
S/N	nsion in Model	ured Dimension	Difference (mm)	Position
	Top Board Part			
1	280.9	281.028	0.128	edge
2	277.165	277.062	0.103	core
3	133.165	133.115	0.05	core
4	14.7	14.721	0.021	edge
5	10.835	10.874	0.039	core
	Middle Board Par	t		
6	60.3	60.431	0.131	core
7	60.3	60.391	0.091	core
8	60.3	60.39	0.09	core
9	60.3	60.382	0.082	core
10	60.3	60.386	0.086	core
11	60.3	60.396	0.096	core
	Bottom Board Part			
12	13.265	12.907	0.358	core
13	130.735	131.048	0.313	core
14	274.735	275.037	0.302	core
15	278.6	278.741	0.141	edge
16	17	16.993	0.007	edge







#### An example of a good board

- UK ID 24723, showing the 'bottom' tooth strip
- No visible offset

8/60026 Board From W&M (UK ID:24/23) 22/07/2024				
S/N	nsion in Model ured Dimension Difference (mm)			Position
	Top Board Part			
1	280.9	280.926	0.026	edge
2	277.165	277.253	0.088	core
3	133.165	133.271	0.106	core
4	14.7	14.825	0.125	edge
5	10.835	10.706	0.129	core
Middle Board Part				
6	60.3	60.373	0.073	core
7	60.3	60.372	0.072	core
8	60.3	60.349	0.049	core
9	60.3	60.353	0.053	core
10	60.3	60.336	0.036	core
11	60.3	60.378	0.078	core
Bottom Board Part				
12	13.265	13.305	0.04	core
13	130.735	130.825	0.09	core
14	274.735	274.794	0.059	core
15	278.6	278.644	0.044	edge
16	17	17.091	0.091	edge







# **Tooth strip lateral positions**

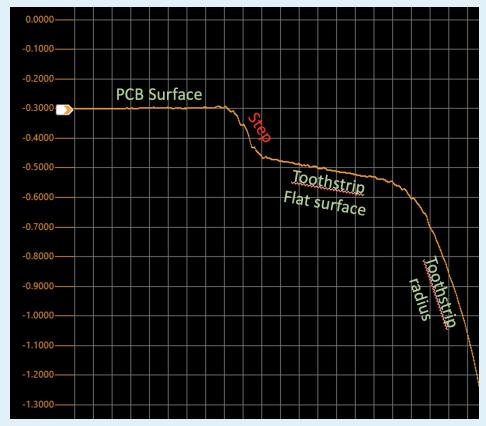
- We looked at five W&M boards
- In all cases we could could visually confirm the Keyence measurements, seeing any out-of-tolerance offsets of tooth strips
- The W&M team have narrowed this down to a misalignment of the positioning lugs on one side of one jig
- > PSL have a Keyence device on which they can reproduce these QC measurements





### Steps between PCBs and tooth strips

- W&M measurements showed all steps between tooth strips and PCBs to be less than 200 μm
- Sheffield rejected the majority of the boards for having steps greater than 200 μm
- We have used the confocal displacement sensor (1 μm precision) to scan this step on three boards

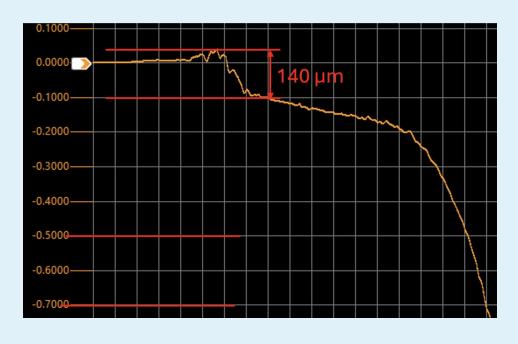






### **Examples of scans (board 18282)**







# Summary of results

Typically the dial indicator overestimates the size of the step with respect to the laser scan by some tens of µs

The laser scan would have passed board 18282, failed board 20715, and would 'just' have failed 23392

