



TCT simulations of synthetic diamonds using Allpix squared

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Diamond's advantages as sensor material in HEP

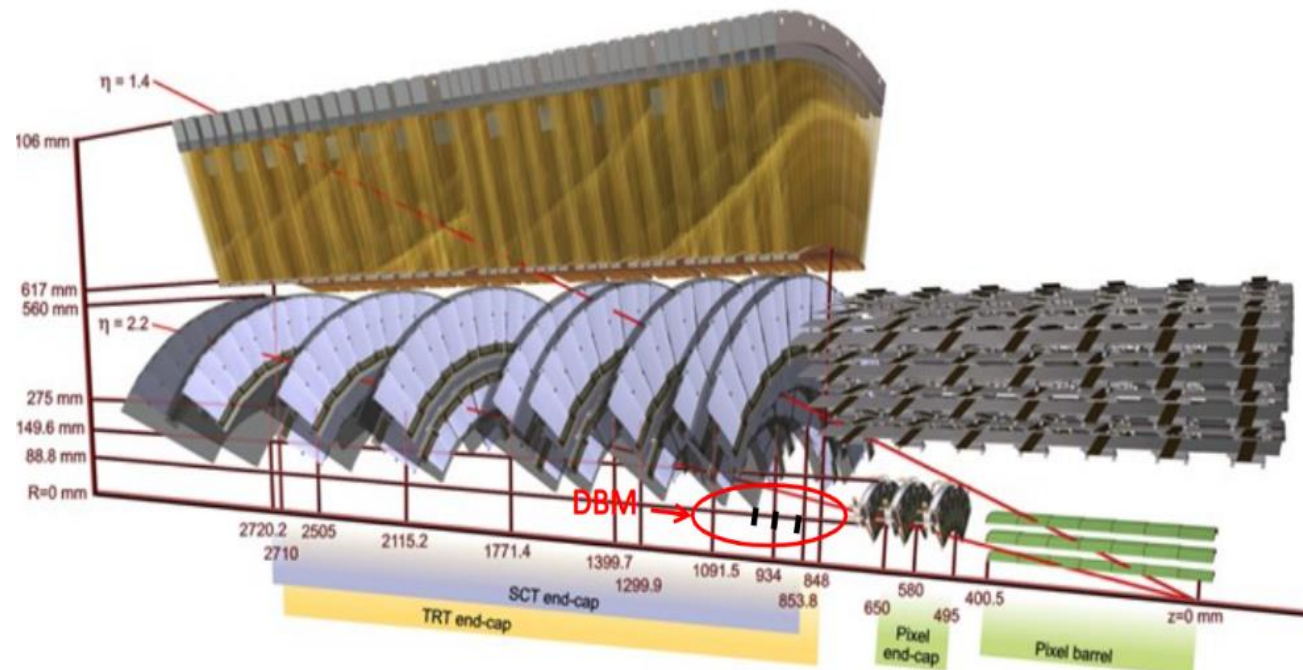
- Low Atomic Number – ideal for tracking detectors but low signal
- 43 eV Displacement energy – Radiation hard
- High drift velocities – Fast Signal Readout



Property	Diamond	Silicon	
Band Gap (ev)	5.5	1.12	Low Noise
Atomic Number (z)	6	14	Low Signal
Displacement Energy (ev/atom)	43	13 – 20	Radiation Hard
Mobility (cm ² /Vs)*	1900(e), 2300(h)	1350(e)480(h)	Fast Signal
Saturation Velocity (10 ⁷ cm/s)	1.3(e), 1.7(h)	1.1(e), 0.8(h)	Fast Signal
Aver. Signal Created/100 um (e)	3602	8892	Low Signal

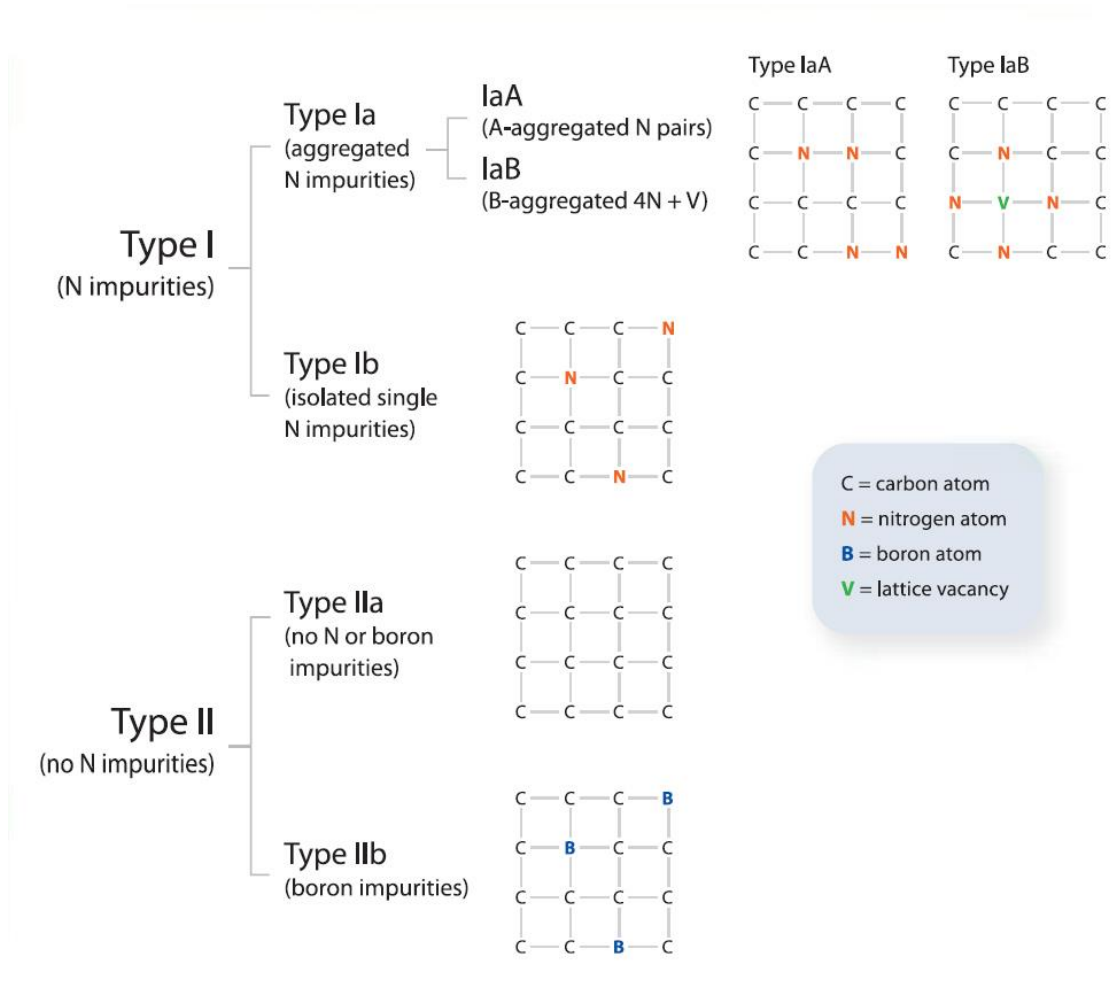
*4551(e),2750(h) <https://doi.org/10.1002/pssa.201532230>
 4500(e),3800(h) [DOI: 10.1126/science.1074374](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1074374)

- LHC (CERN) [1] and CDF (Collider Detector at Fermilab) [2] use diamond sensors for beam monitoring and accident Protection. ATLAS BCM/BLM, CMS BCM/BCM-F
- LHCb BCM
- ATLAS Diamond Beam Monitor (DBM)
- Inner layer ? Big disadvantage is cost (financial aspect, not physics)



[1] F. Hugging: Diamond Detectors
 [2] FERMILAB-CONF-07-112-E

- Type IIa is desired with single crystal structure



- A simple single-crystal CVD sensor sandwiched between two metallic electrodes
- metal-insulator-metal (MIM) detector

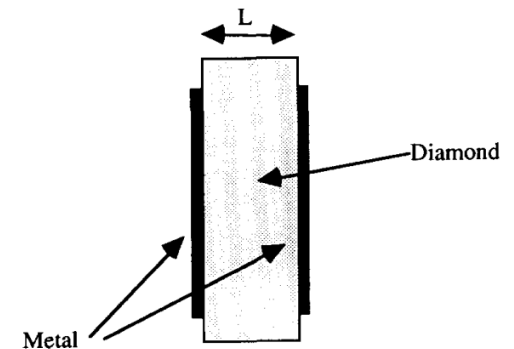
$$V_{drift} = \frac{d}{t} = \frac{L}{\tau}$$

$$V_{drift} = \mu(E)E$$

$$L = \mu E \tau$$

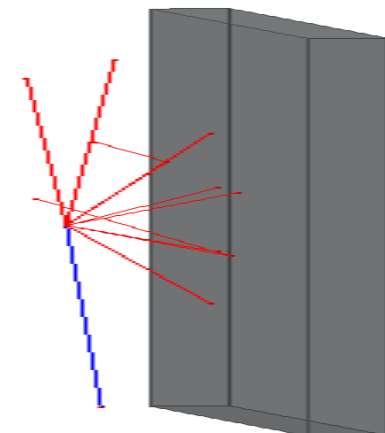
- the important parameters
 μ, τ and $\mu\tau$

- Detector Type: pixel scCVD
- Detector Size: (3mm × 3mm) × 500um
- Mobility Model: Caughey model (custom)
- Energy Source: Am-241 Alpha source
- Energy Deposited: 5.486 MeV
- Applied Bias Voltage = -1000V

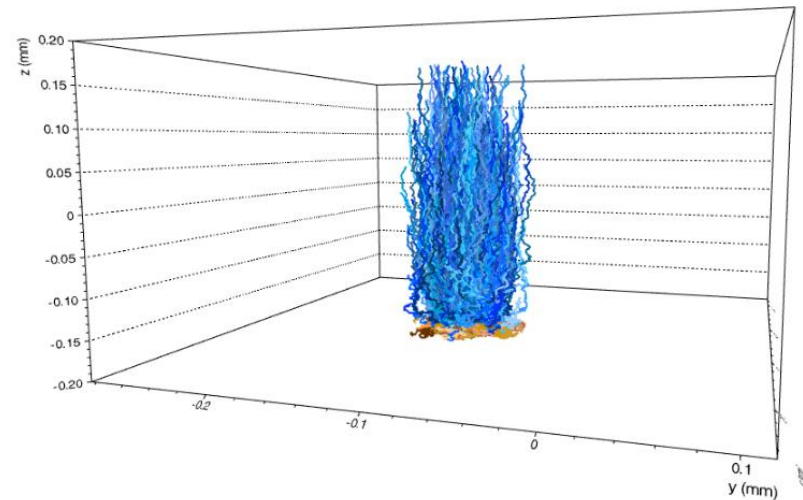
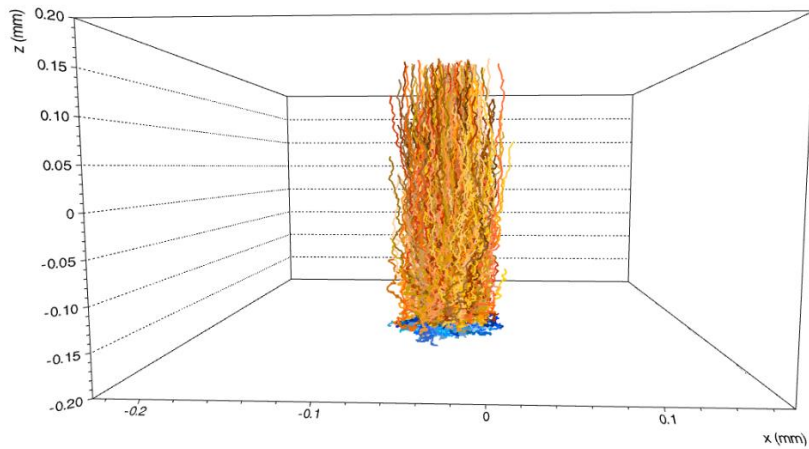


Schematic diagram of a MIM

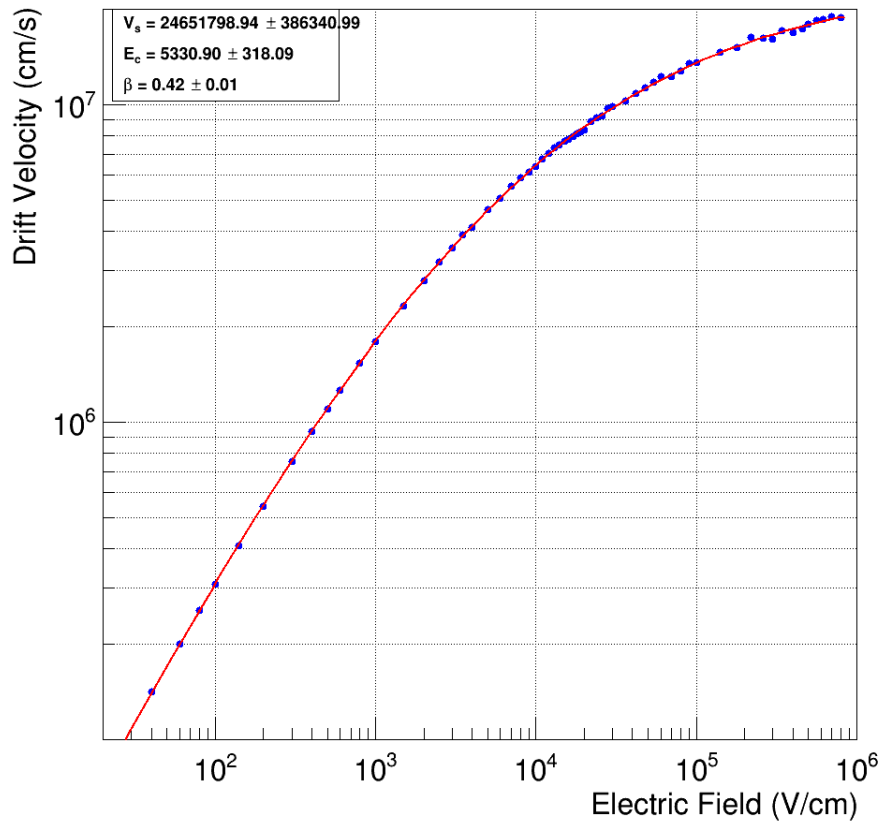
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- TCT with an alpha source, an efficient technique to investigate the dynamics of charge carriers individually.



Diamond-Electron Drift Velocity vs Electric Field at 300K

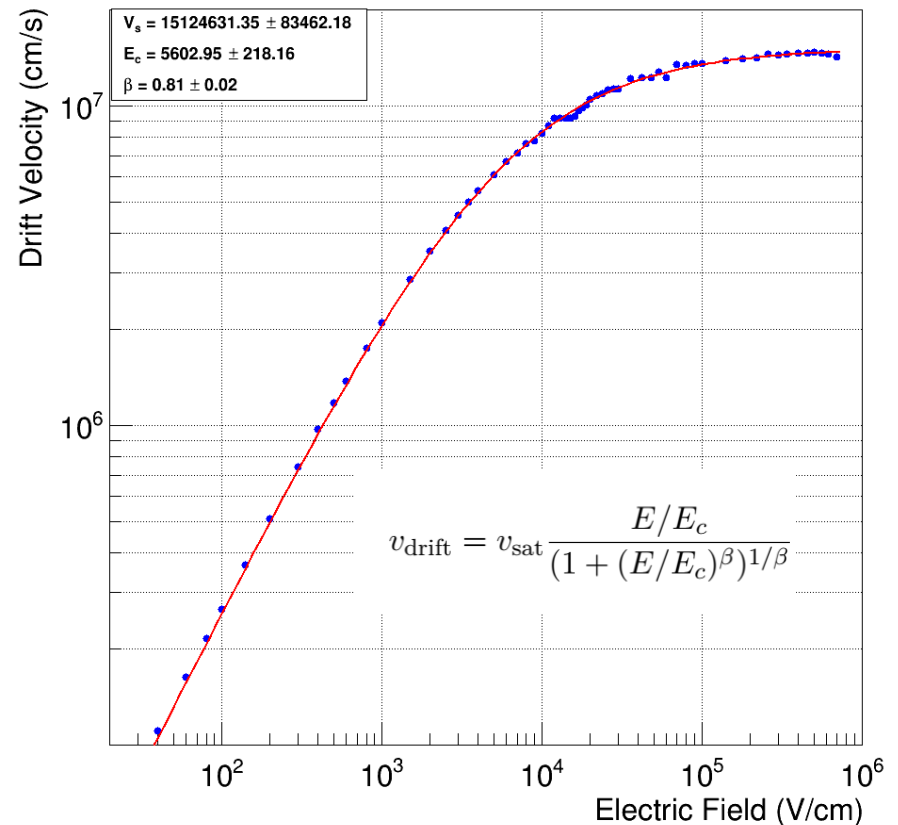


Values in Literature

- $V_s = 2.63 \times 10^7 \pm 0.2 \times 10^7 \text{ cm/s}$
- $E_c = 5779 \pm 772$
- $\beta = 0.42 \pm 0.01$

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Diamond-Hole Drift Velocity vs Electric Field at 300K



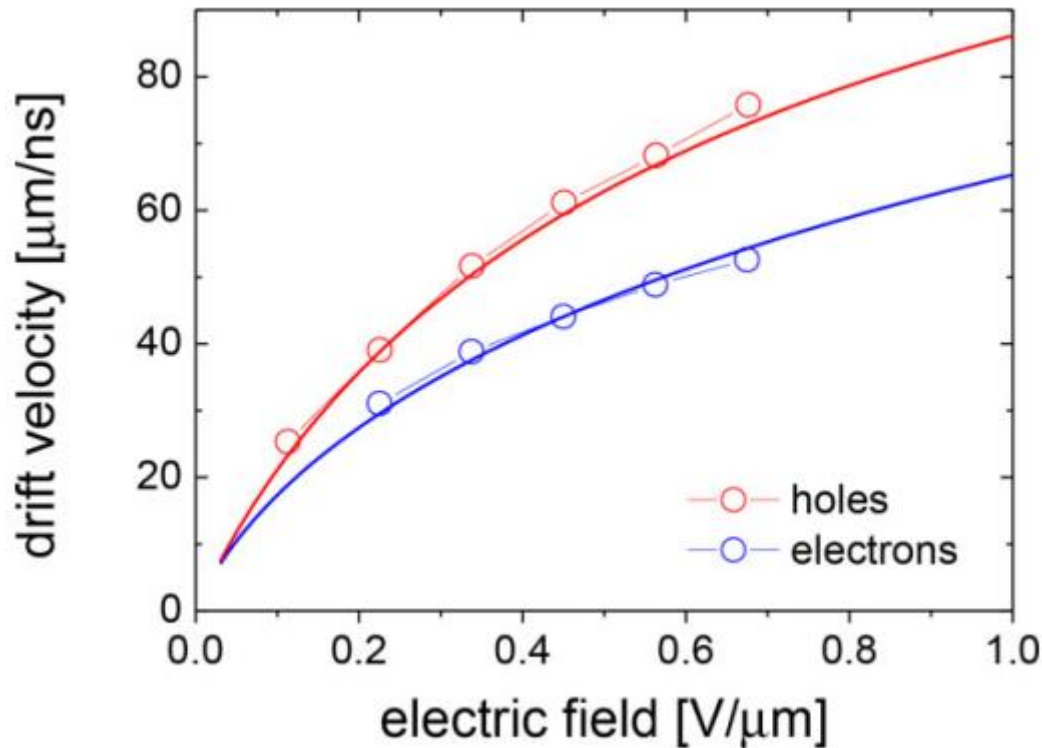
Values in Literature

- $V_s = 1.57 \times 10^7 \pm 0.14 \times 10^7 \text{ cm/s}$
- $E_c = 5697 \pm 529$
- $\beta = 0.81 \pm 0.01$

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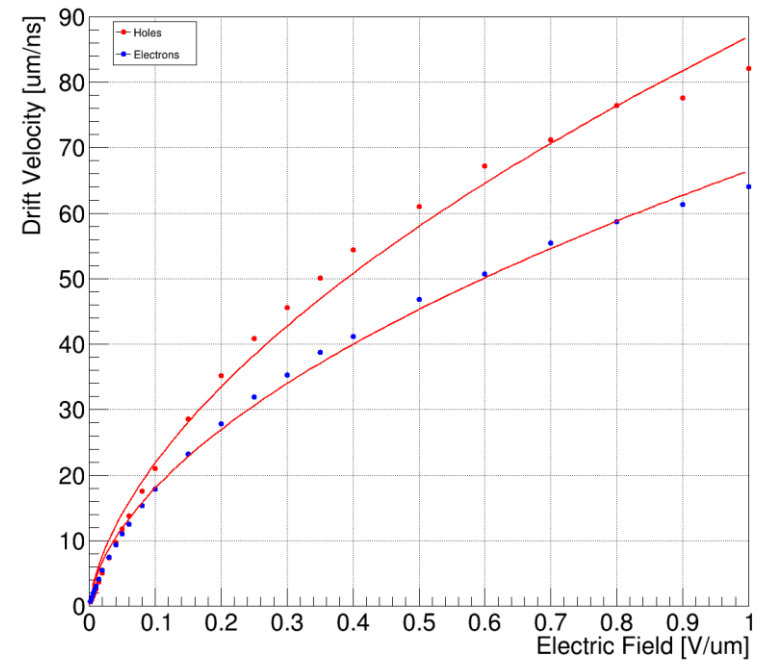
- e-h drift velocities for scCVD diamond Left: Experimental (Literature), Right: Simulation with Allpix-Squared

Literature



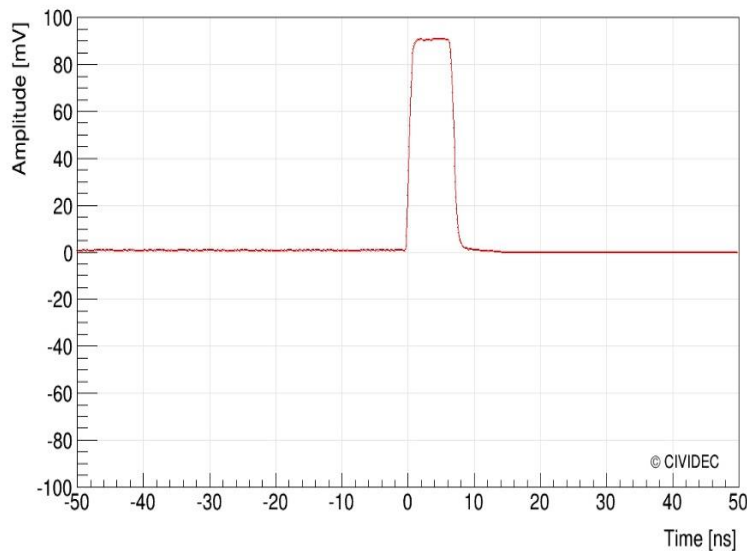
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e-h Drift Velocities vs applied Electric Field in Diamond at 300K

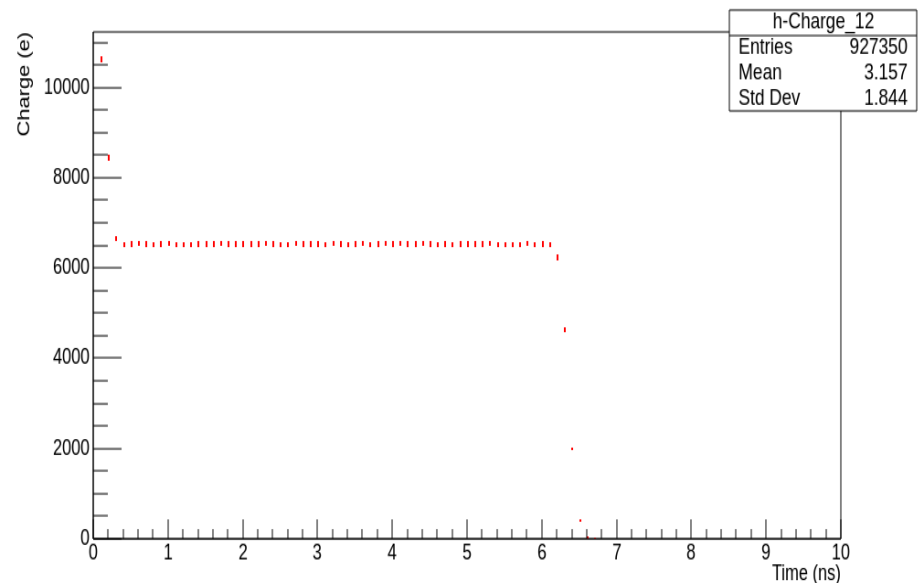


- sc CVD diamond TCT signal with alpha source
- Constant amplitude -> impurities below detection limit
- Very fast signal read out (orders of nano seconds)

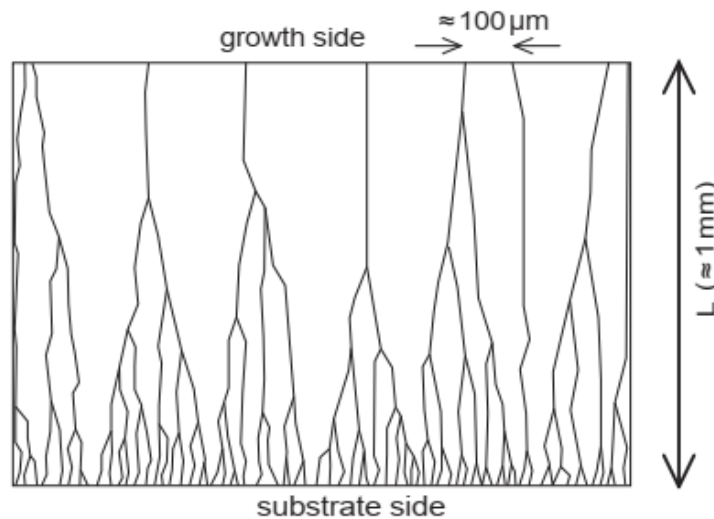
- BUT scCVD Diamond is very expensive, pcCVD is a cost efficient alternative



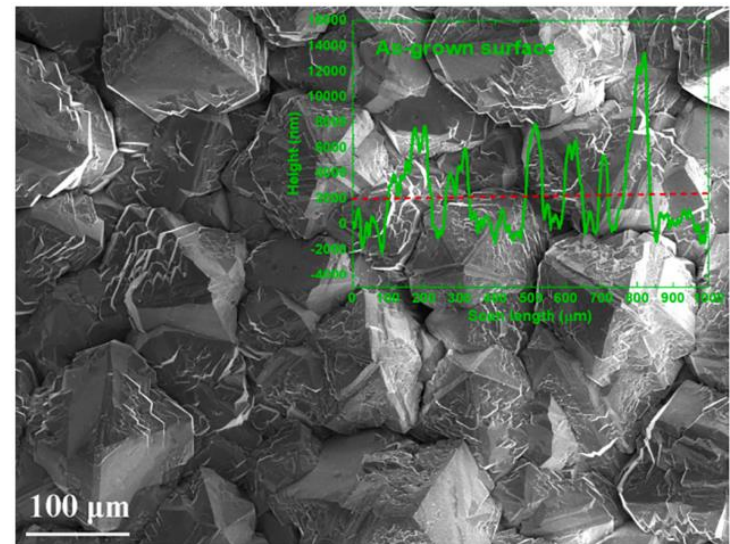
<https://cividec.at/electronics-C2-TCT.html>



- Grain boundaries and deep level traps of pcCVD diamond needs implementation of diamond specific trapping models
- RD42 model: pcCVD Diamond = irradiated scCVD Diamond
- Mean free path (λ) = charge collection distance (CCD): detector performance parameter



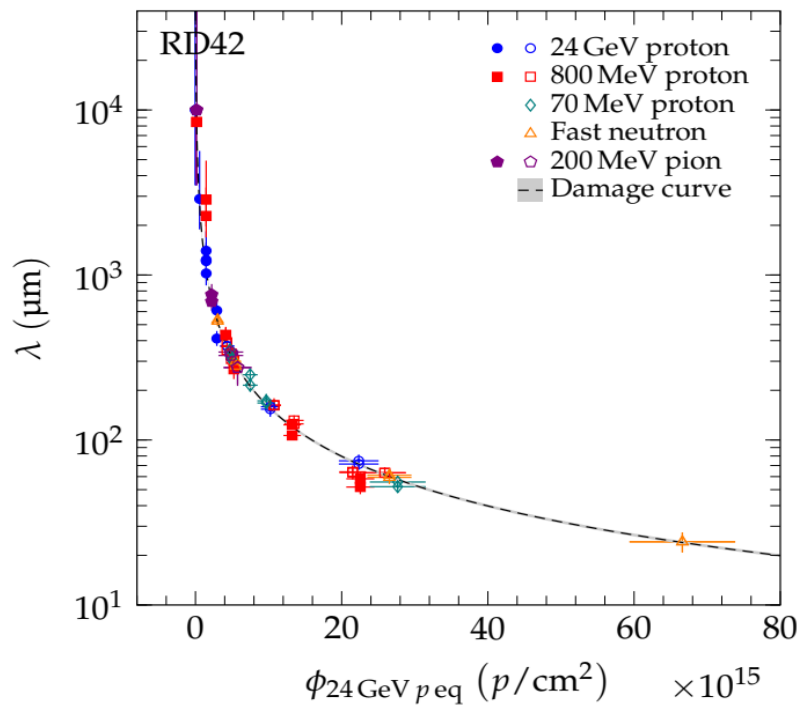
Grain boundaries in pcCVD Diamond
 From Particle Detectors: Fundamentals and Applications by Kolanoski & Wermes



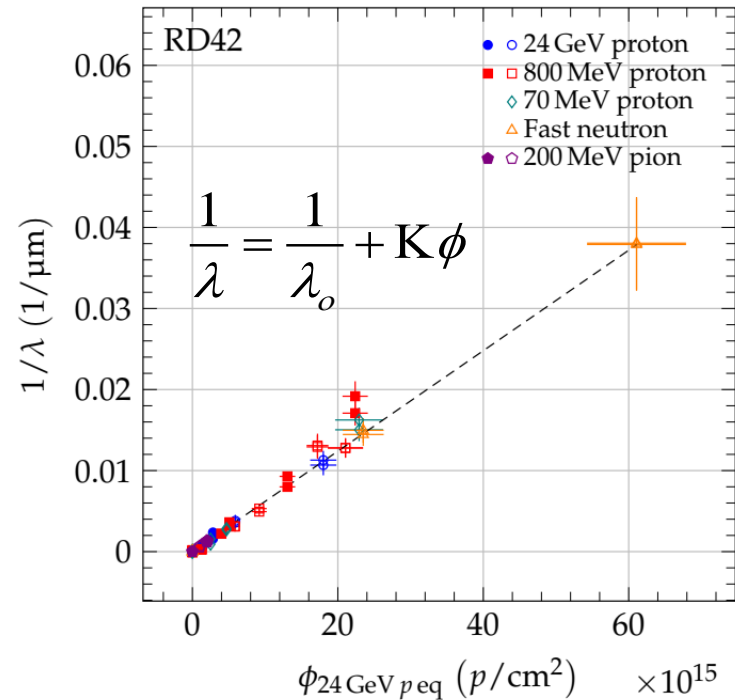
Scanning electron microscope (SEM) image the growth surface of pcCVD film

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.diamond.2021.108461>

- Same radiation damage constant for pcCVD and scCVD
- scCVD shifted to left by $\phi = 3.8 \times 10^{15} p/cm^2$ (left plot)



pcCVD and scCVD lies on the same fit line 2018
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2019.162675>



Universal Radiation Damage constant for pcCVD and scCVD diamonds
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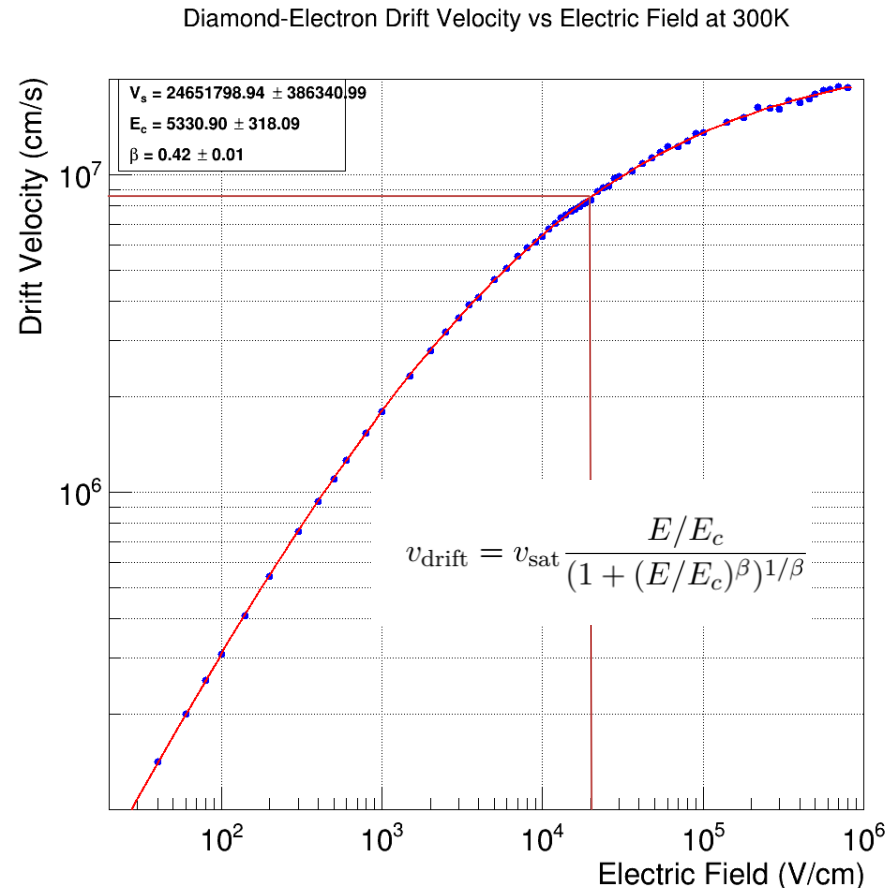
- Trapping times from Mean free path for the electric field of 2V/um (20000/cm)

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda_o} + K\phi$$

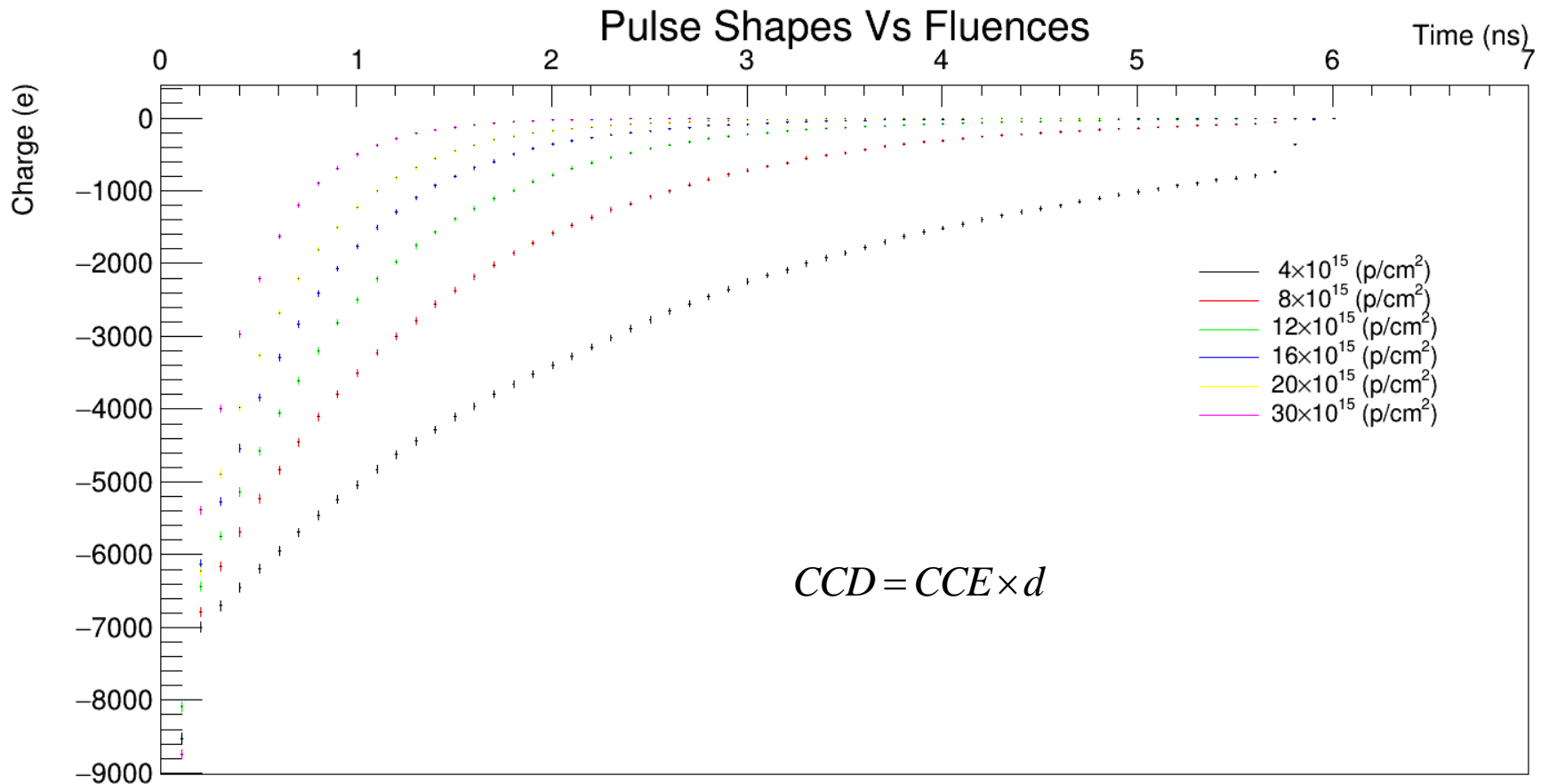
$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_o} + (Kv_{drift})\phi$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_o} + \beta\phi$$

- Different β parameter values reported from 0.42 to 1.
- Affects the value of drift velocity at specific electric field value

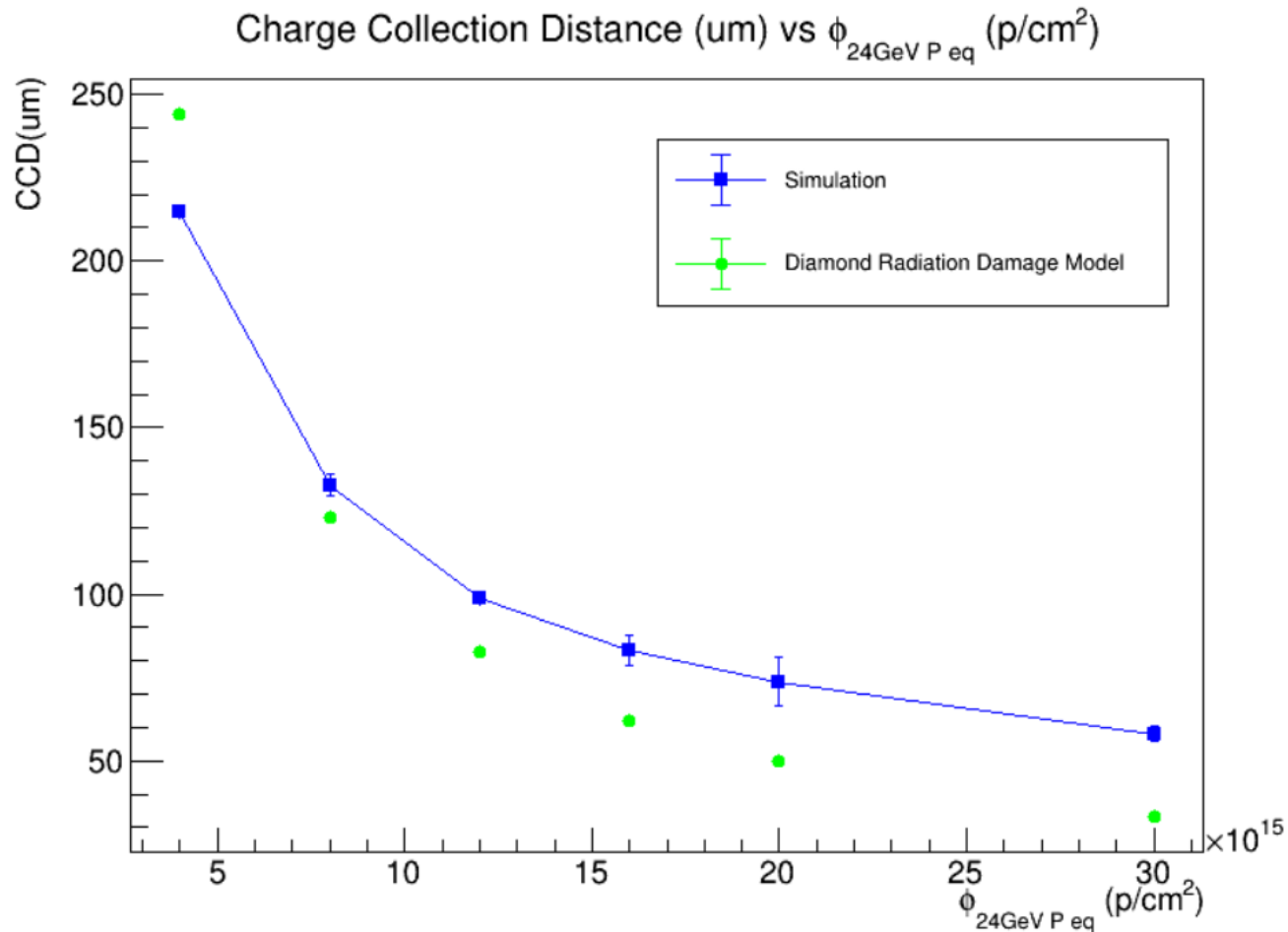


- TCT pulse shapes -> smooth curves – no real information about defects distribution
- Needs TCAD simulations of electric fields



- Higher CCD predicted values by simulation at higher fluence

$$CCD = CCE \times d$$

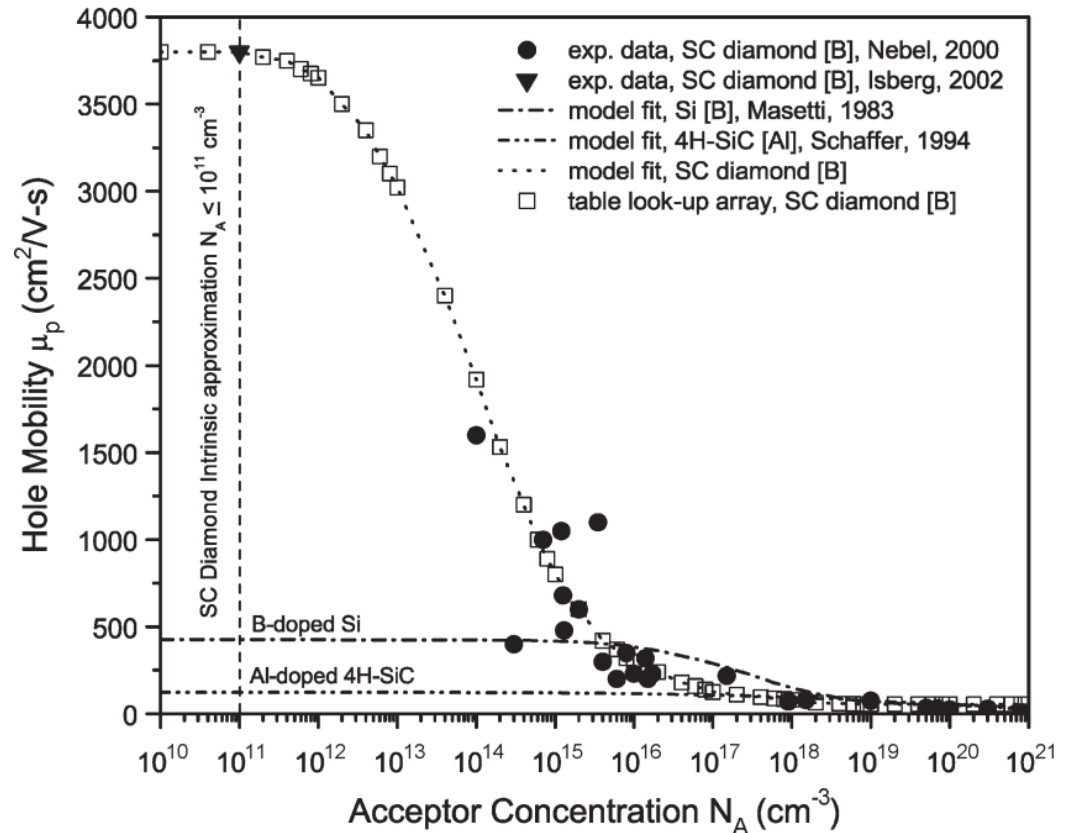
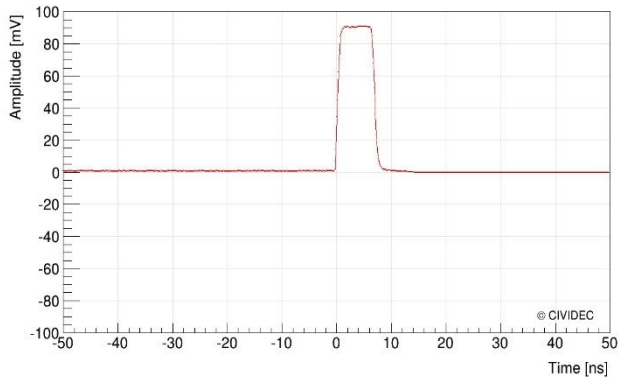


- Low field Mobility parameters implemented, -> predict drift velocities
- Implemented RD42 model -> pcCVD diamond = scDiamond + radiation damage in terms of CCE and CCD.
- Trapping times from RD42 Test beam data, predict CCD and TCT pulse shapes by simulation
- **Next steps:** TCT experiments in the lab with alpha and beta sources, TCAD simulations

Thank You

- Low Atomic Number – ideal for tracking detectors as radiation length $X_o \propto \frac{1}{Z^2}$
- Radiation Hardness – 43 eV Kick off energy, Strong lattice bonds – Damage constant is lower
- Fast signal readout – High drift velocities
- High thermal conductivity – Large band gap
- High spatial resolution
- Optical Transparent

- Diamond mobility is affected by very low concentrations of impurities
- Needs to be implemented in Allpix squared



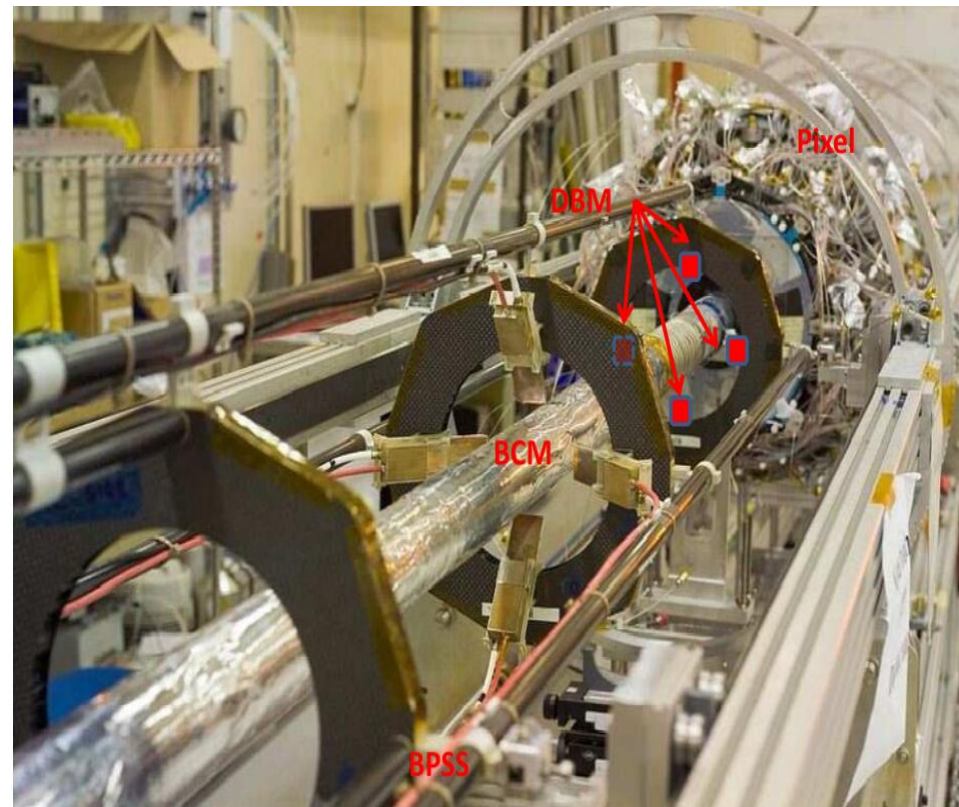
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The ATLAS Diamond Beam Monitor

Designed to measure the instantaneous luminosity, the background rates, and the beam spot position.

- **Single DBM module:** 18 mm × 21 mm pCVD diamond **500 μm** thick instrumented with an **FE-I4 pixel chip**.
- **26,880 pixels:** in 80 columns on 250 μm pitch and 336 rows on 50 μm pitch. This fine granularity provides high-precision particle tracking.
- **charge collection distance** of 200-220 μm at an applied bias voltage of **500 V**.



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