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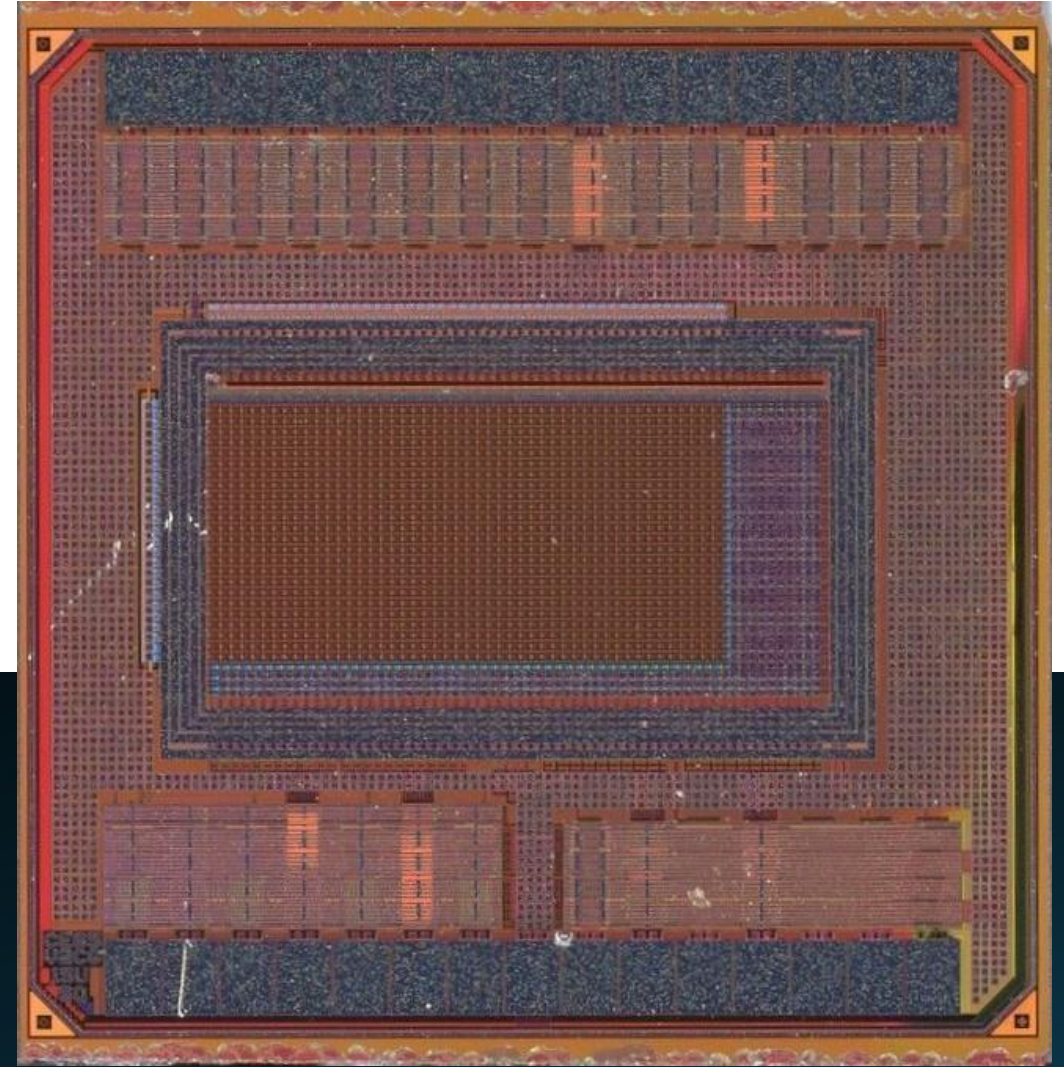
Performance studies of the CE-65v2 MAPS prototype structure

2nd DRD3 week on Solid State Detectors R&D

Alessandra Lorenzetti on behalf of the CE-65 team



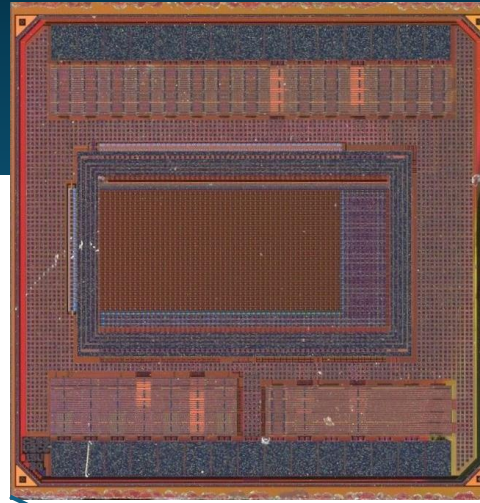
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Talk based on [poster at Pixel 2024](#)

CE 65 v2

- 65 nm MAPS
- Designed by IPHC
- AC coupling
- Analog rolling shutter readout
- 48x24 pixel
- Different pitches, processes and pixel arrangements

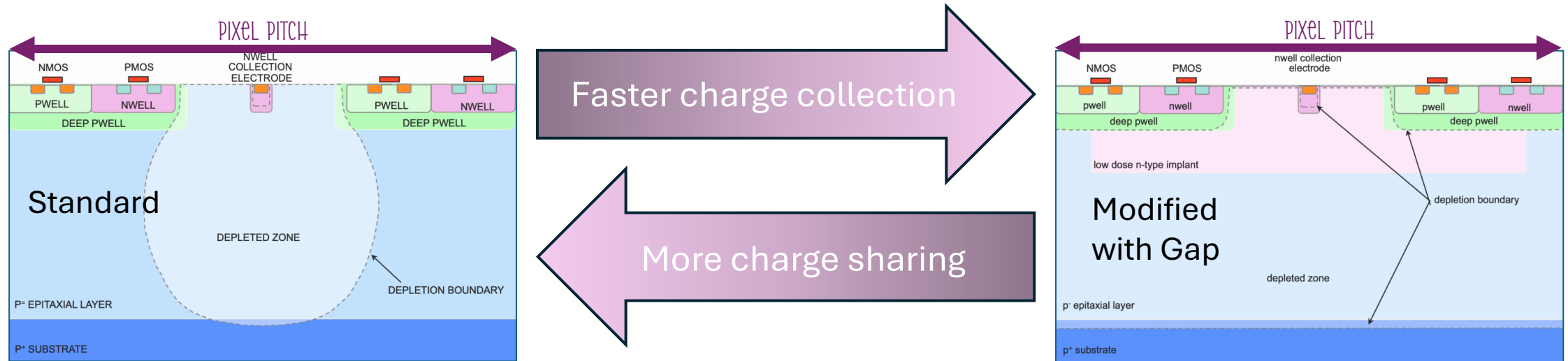


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Pitch [μm]	Process		
	Standard	Modified	Mod. w. GAP
15			
18			
22.5			

K. Gautam and A. Kumar, Characterisation of analogue MAPS fabricated in 65 nm technology for the ALICE ITS3, NIM-A: Accelerators, Spectrometers, Detectors and Associated Equipment **1068**, 169787 (2024). ([DOI](#))

Different kinds of processes



Undepleted regions at the pixel edges
→ Charge collection is *diffusion-dominated*

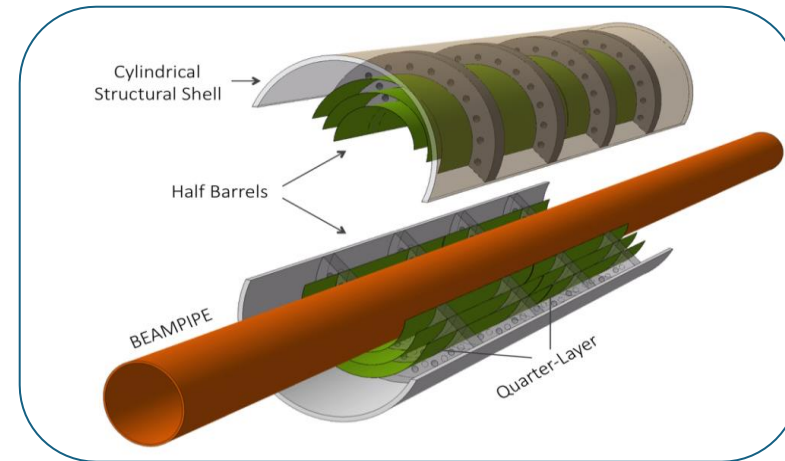
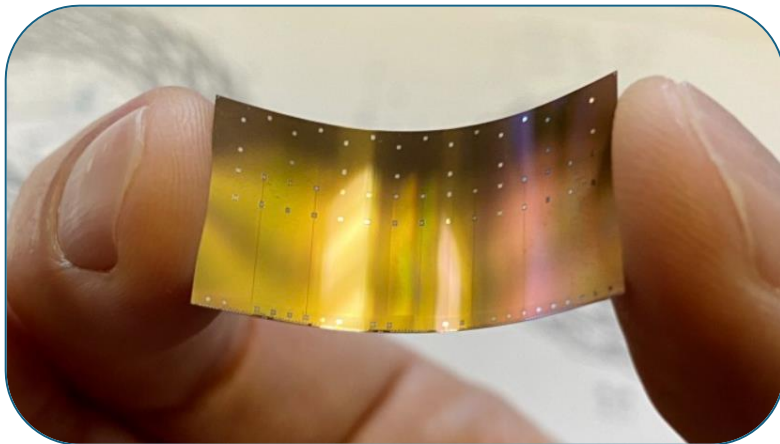
- High charge sharing between neighb. Pixels
- Slow charge collection
- subject to charge trapping, less radiation tolerant

Electric field expands laterally due to gap in low dose n-type implant at pixel edges
→ Charge collection is *drift-dominated*

- Low charge sharing
- Even at the edges fast charge collection
- More radiation tolerant

ALICE ITS3

- Upgrade of the Inner Tracking System, installation in 2027-30
- Three innermost layers of ITS2 will be replaced with wafer-scale, thin, bent sensors
- Ultra-light design to minimise multiple Coulomb scattering
- CE-65 originating from ALICE ITS3 R&D, to go beyond ITS3



ALICE and FCC?

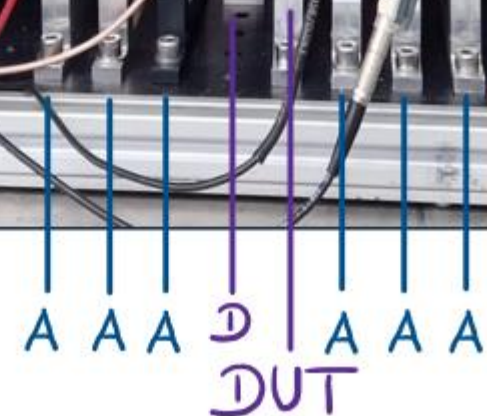
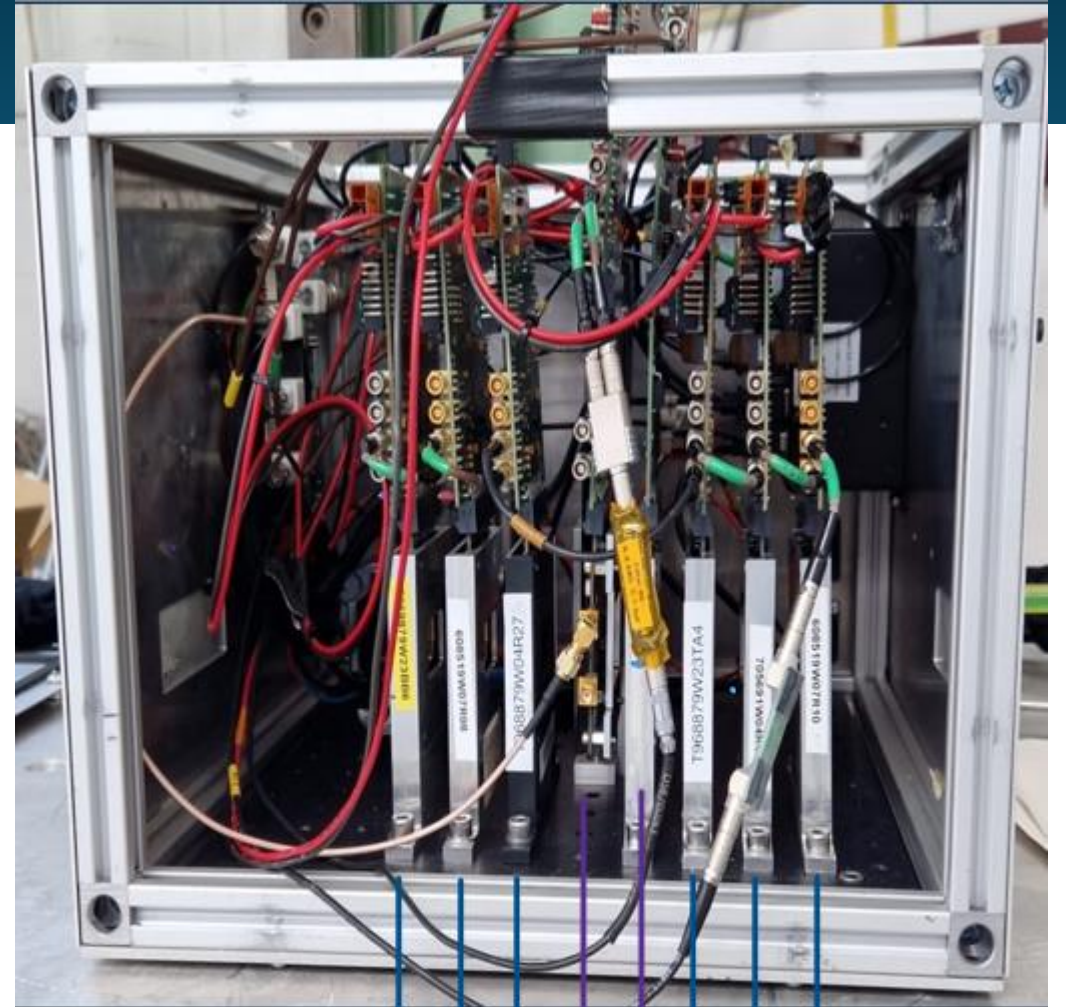
Requirements	ALICE ITS3	FCC-ee vertex
Sensor spatial resolution	5 μm	3 μm
Material budget per layer [X_0]	0.07%	< 0.3%
Radiation tolerance [$1\text{MeV } n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$]	10^{13}	$\sim 10^{14}$ per year
First layer radius r_{min}	19 mm	13.7 mm
Power density	40 mW/cm^2	$\lesssim 50\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$
Particle hit density in 1 st layer	8.5 MHz/cm^2	$\sim 250 \text{MHz}/\text{cm}^2$

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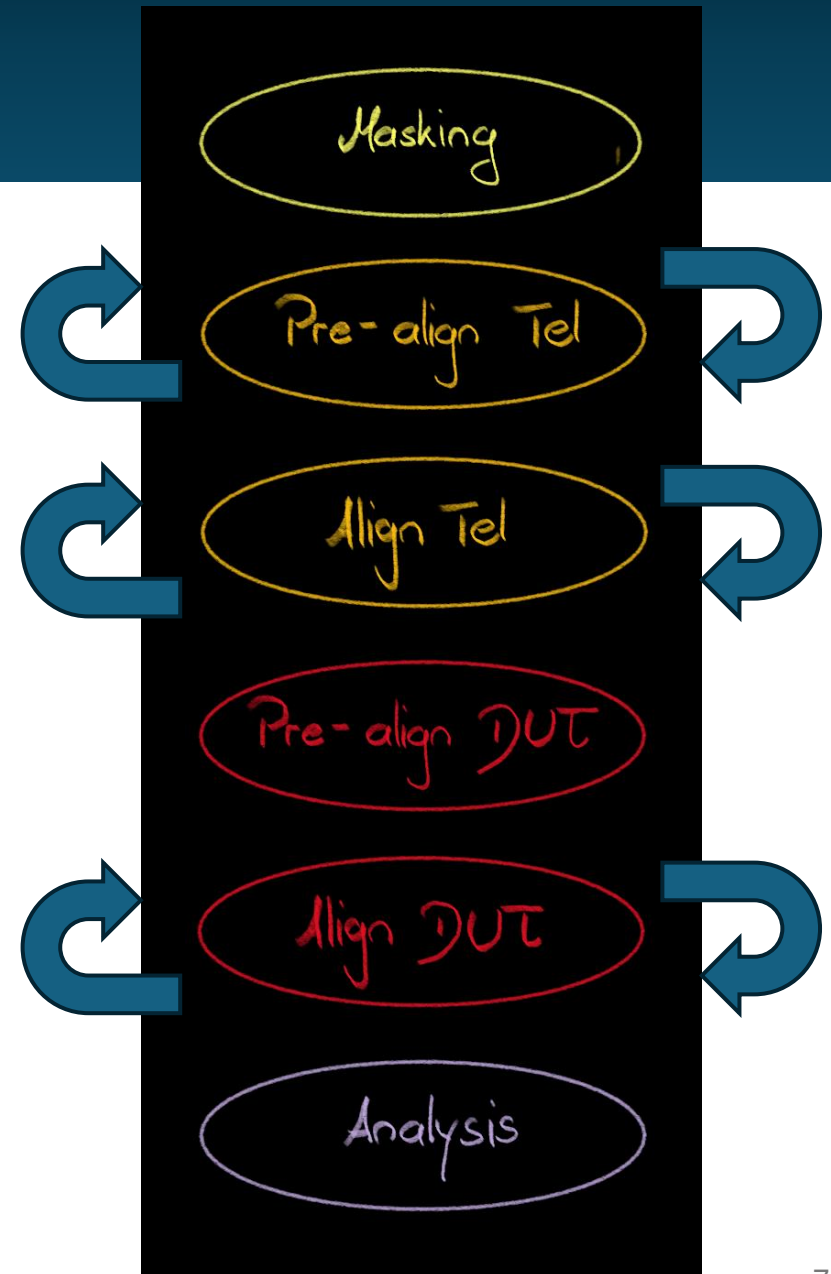
Testbeam at CERN SPS

- Mixed hadron beam
- Telescope consists of:
 - 6 ALPIDE planes **A**
 - DPTS as trigger **D**
 - 2.2 μm resolution of telescope



Analysis

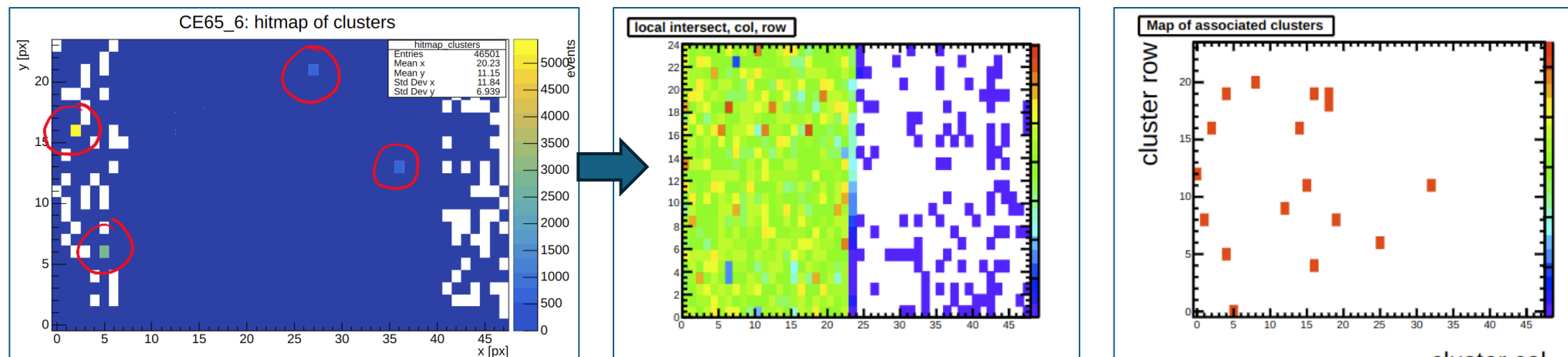
- Mask noisy pixels on ALPIDE planes
- Mask noisy pixels on DUT (next Slides)
- Pre-align the telescope
- Align the telescope
 - Require hit on all ALPIDE planes
- Pre-align DUT
- Align DUT
 - “Cluster” clustering method
 - Seed charge at thresholds:
90, 110, 130, 170, 210, 250, 290, 330, 370, 390
- Analysis
 - Cut on ROI



Problem with DUT pixels in all 4V GAP 15 runs

At seed charge threshold = 290 electrons, the analysis failed:

Efficiency = $0.1 \pm 0.0\%$



Map of hits

Alignment Shifted

Clustermap

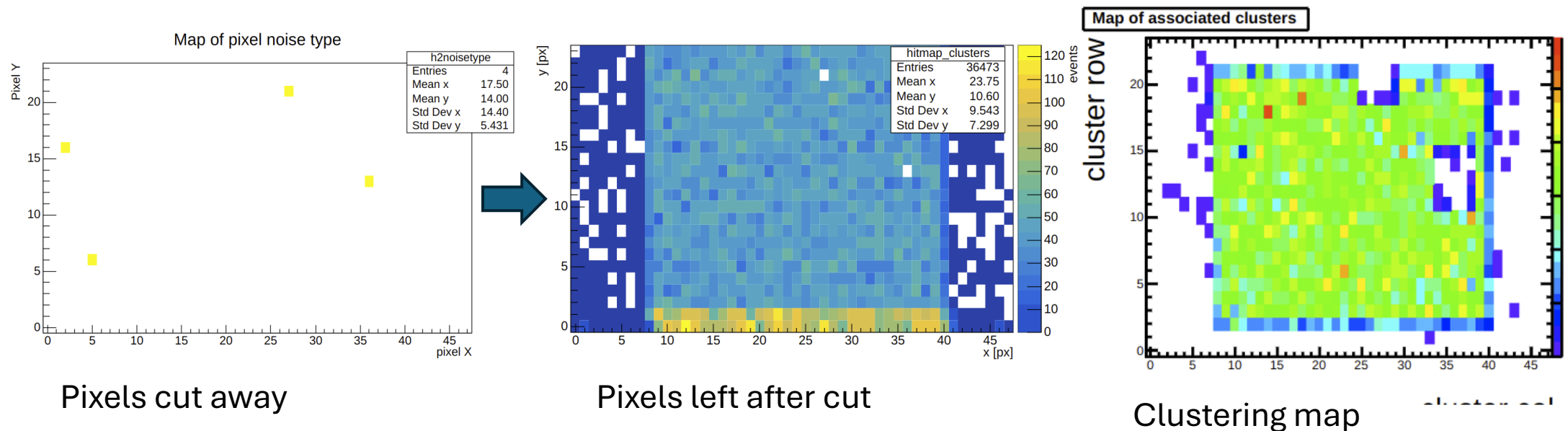
From the plot on the left, one can see that there are 4 noisy pixels which cause the alignment to be shifted and thus the efficiency and the clustering to be bad.

=> Mask noisy DUT pixels!

done by increasing the cut on the noise per pixel

Mask DUT pixels, noise cut = 400

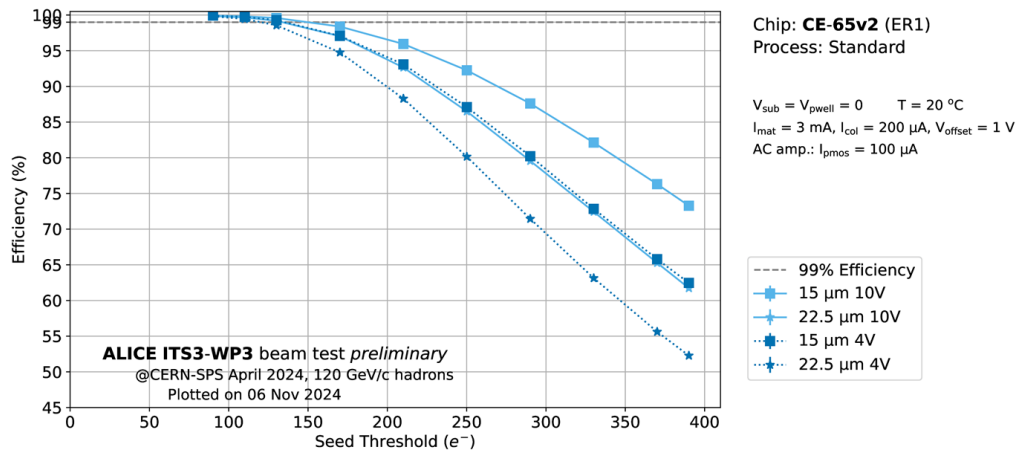
Cut away 4 noisiest pixels to ensure the clustering still works well. Also checked this threshold for the other chips and for HV 10, for safety reasons changed it to 380. Didn't change the efficiencies
Efficiency = $93.9 \pm 0.2 \%$



Test beam analysis: global efficiency

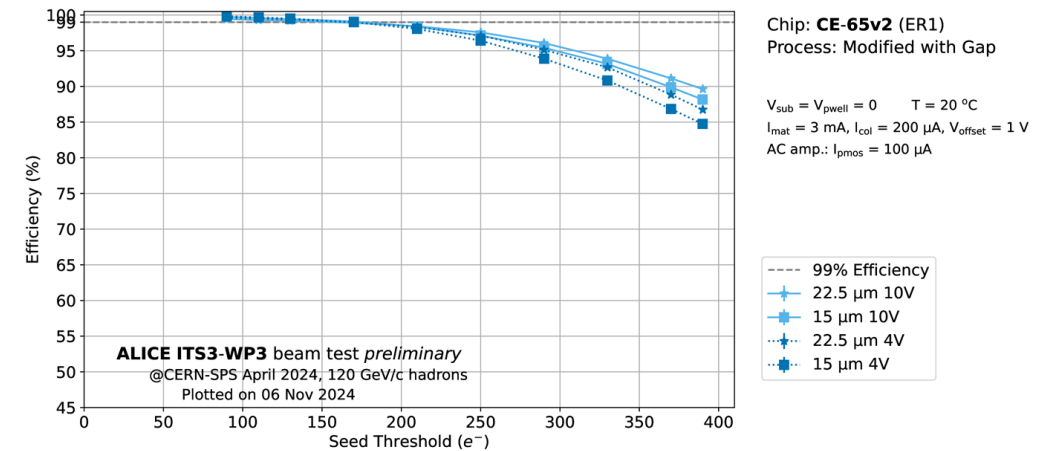
- Mask noisy pixels on reference and DUT
- Telescope pre-alignment and alignment
→ DUT pre-alignment and alignment → Analysis
- *Cluster* method with threshold_{nbh} = threshold_{seed}
- First seed threshold at 3 x RMS noise (90 e⁻)
- Subtract telescope resolution in quadrature

Standard



Better efficiency for 10V than 4V

Modified with Gap

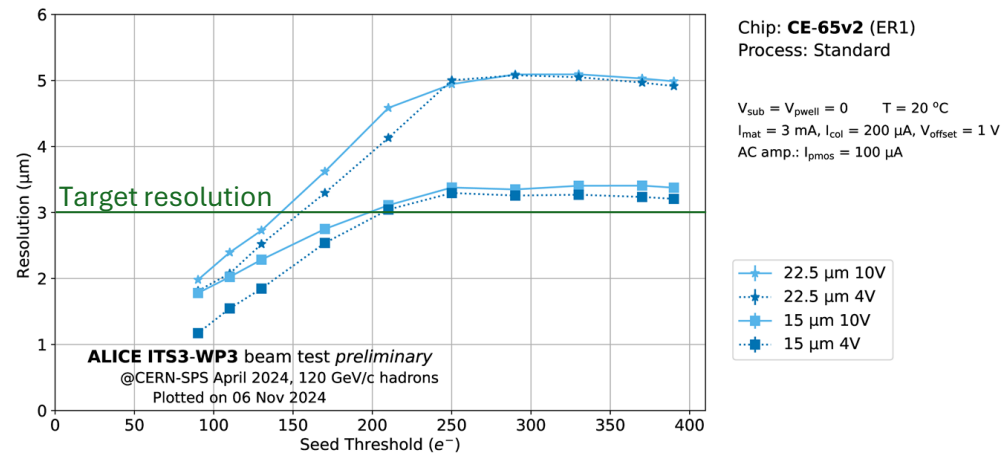


Negligible impact of higher voltage

Test beam analysis: global resolution

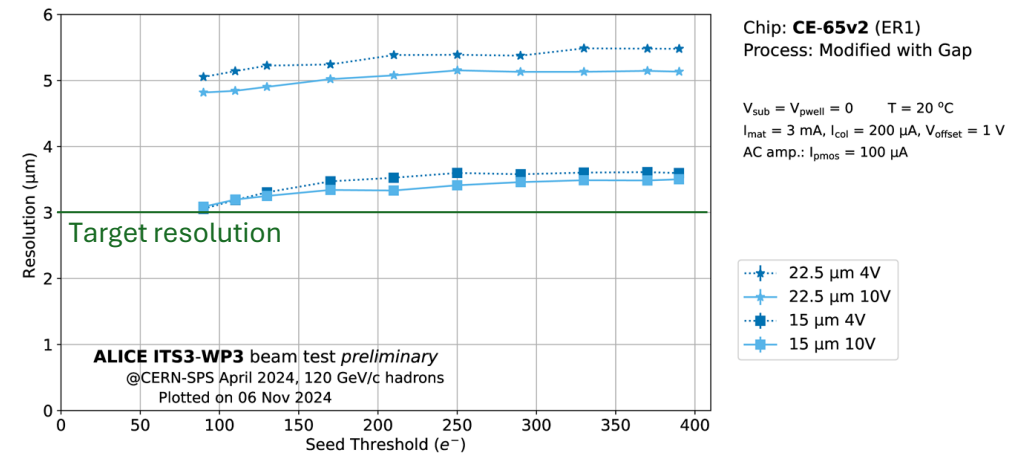
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Standard



< 2.5 μm and < 3.5 μm resolution for 15/22.5 μm pitch at efficiencies > 99%

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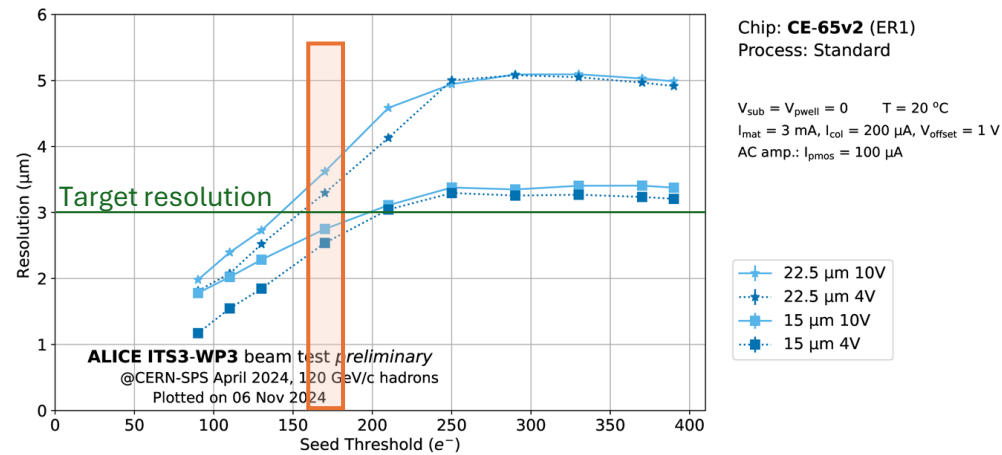


< 3.5 μm and < 5.5 μm resolution for 15/22.5 μm pitch at efficiencies > 99%

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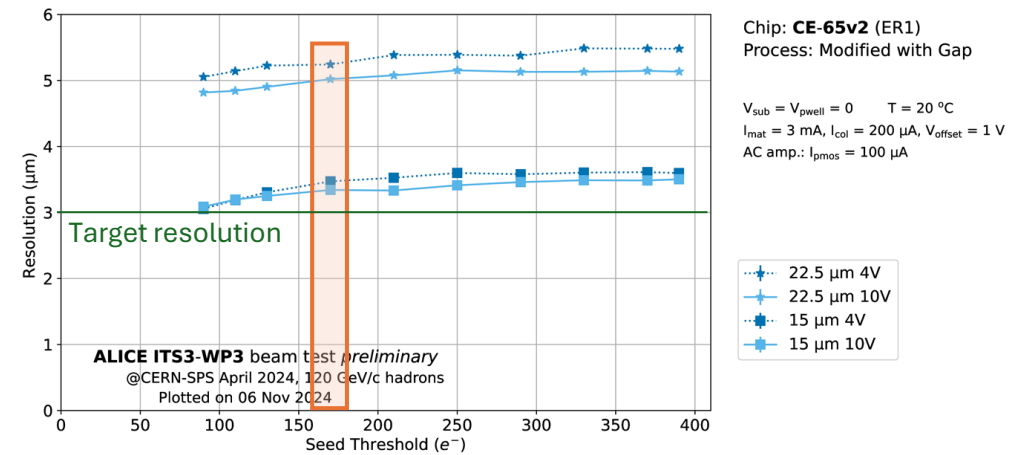
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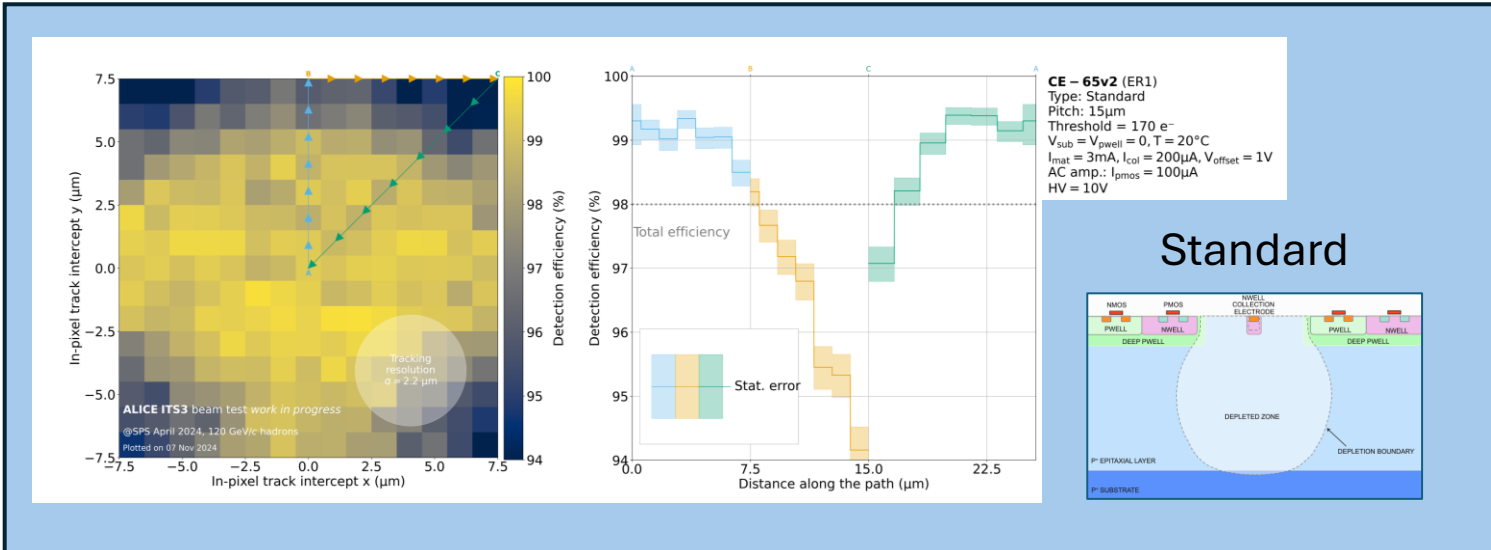
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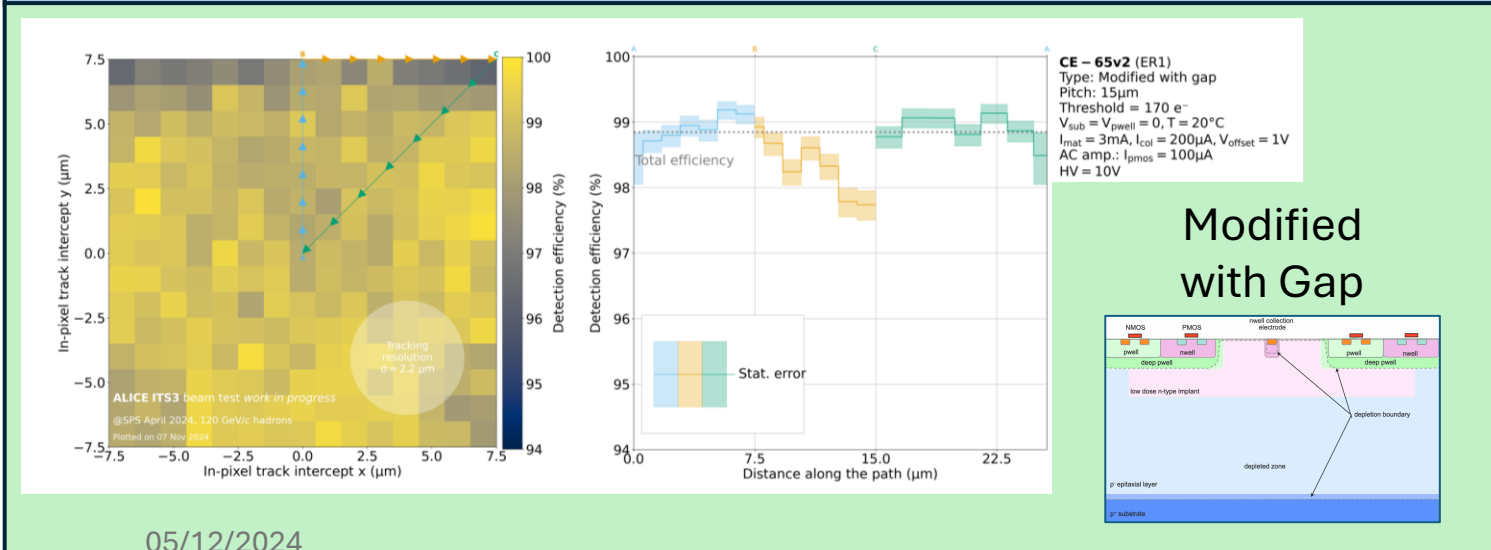


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Test beam analysis: In-pixel efficiency

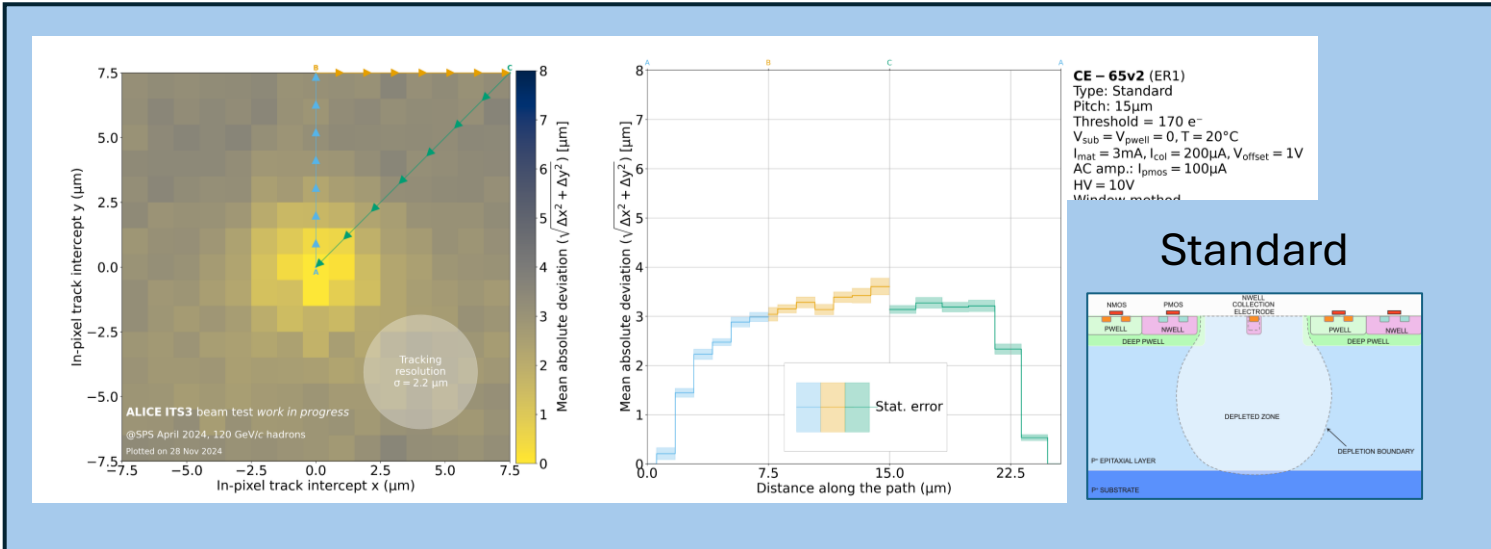


- Seed threshold at 170 e⁻
- *Cluster* method with threshold_{nbh} = threshold_{seed}

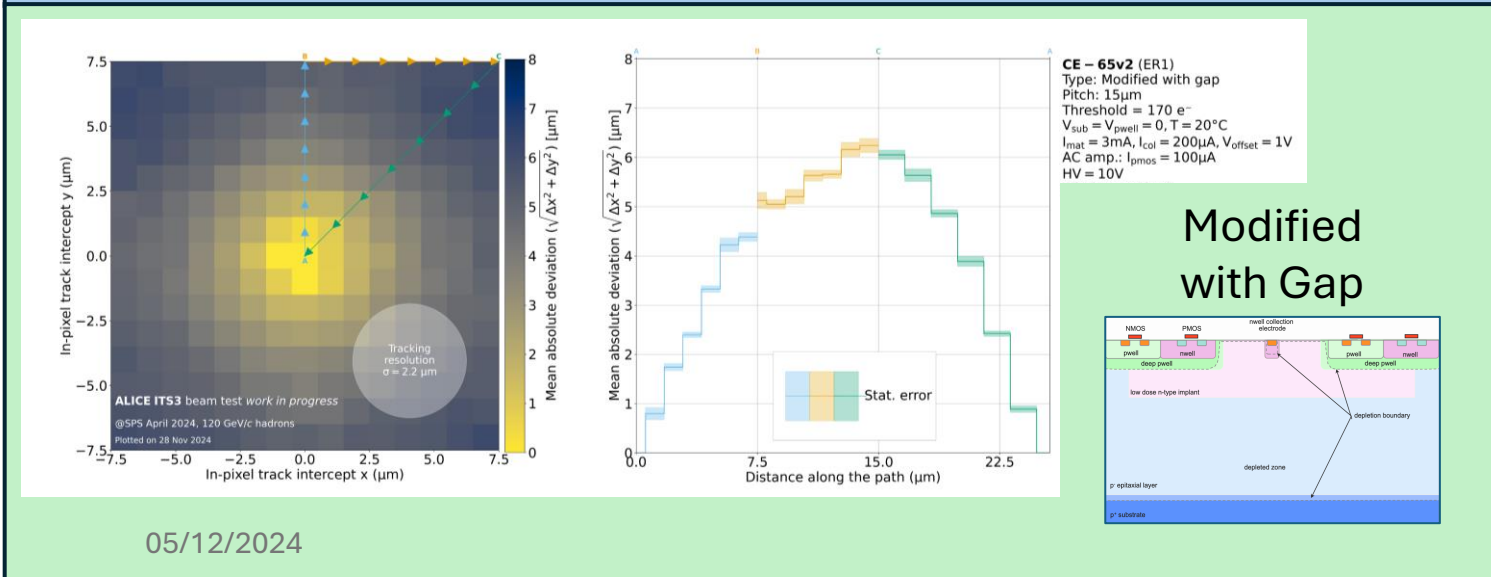


Modified with gap process has higher efficiency at the edges and corners, but performs slightly worse in the centre

Test beam analysis: In-pixel resolution



- Window method: threshold_{nbh} = 0
- Seed threshold of 170 e⁻
- 5x5 window around seed to define cluster
 - See backup for in-pixel resolution with cluster method
- Subtract telescope resolution in quadrature



Better resolution in standard process comes from edge and corner regions, thanks to charge sharing

Importance of beyond-binary analog-to-digital conversion when having strong charge sharing

See [link](#) for benefits of having more than one threshold to benefit from charge sharing

Conclusion

- Analog resolution for pitch size of $15\ \mu\text{m} < 2\ \mu\text{m}$ (STD process) resp. $3 - 3.5\ \mu\text{m}$ (modified with gap process), efficiency greater than 99% at thresholds larger than $3 \times \text{RMS noise}$
 - Compatible with FCC-ee vertex spatial resolution requirement. Further development needed to fulfil other requirements
 - Nota bene: Spatial resolution in fully-functional sensor is heavily influenced by analog-to-digital conversion scheme
- Able to efficiently perform detailed in-pixel studies thanks to large matrix size. Result confirming previous findings on process variations

Outlook

- CE-65 v2 characterisation almost finished
 - Radiation tolerance of CE-65 under investigation (May 2024 test beam at DESY)
 - Analysis of staggered pixel mimicking hexagonal pixels arrangement ongoing
 - Request for SPS test beam in 2025 to test 18 μm pitch and modified process in detail
- Great starting point for DRD3 WG1/WP1 project OCTOPUS (Optimized CMOS Technology for Precision in Ultra-thin Silicon), see this [link](#) for more information on OCTOPUS, this [link](#) to an article on tracking and vertexing detectors at FCC-ee vertex, or this [link](#) to a presentation at Pixel conference 2024 concerning the vertexing challenge at FCC-ee

Thanks for your attention!

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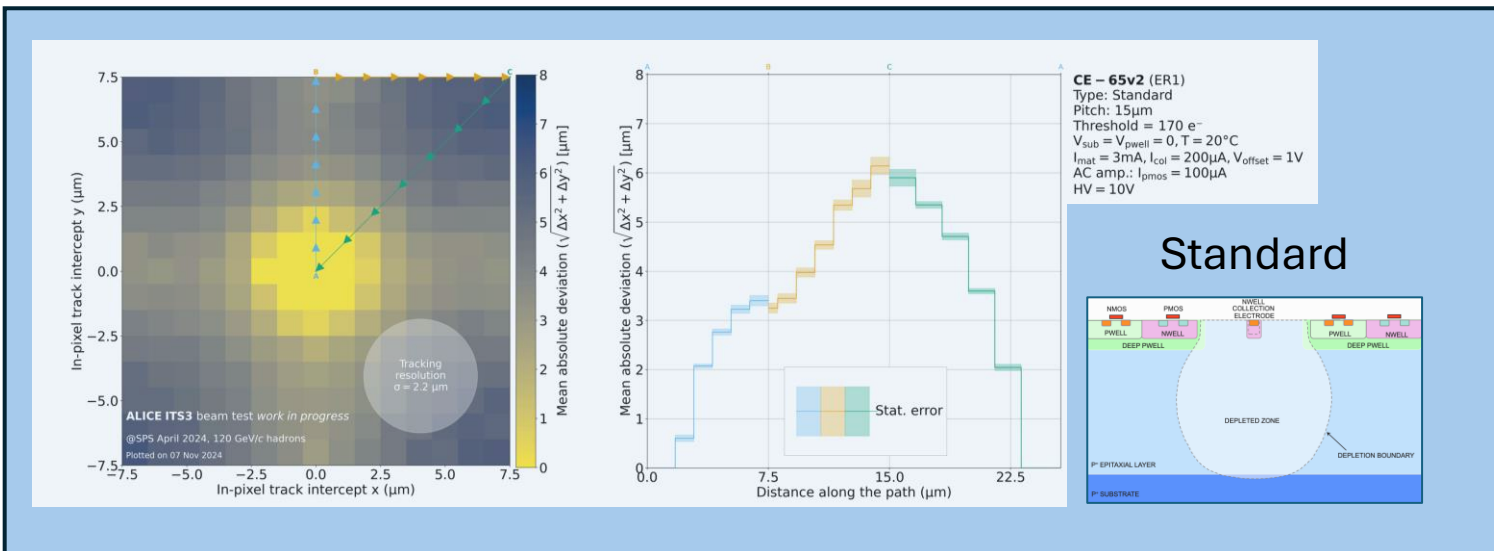
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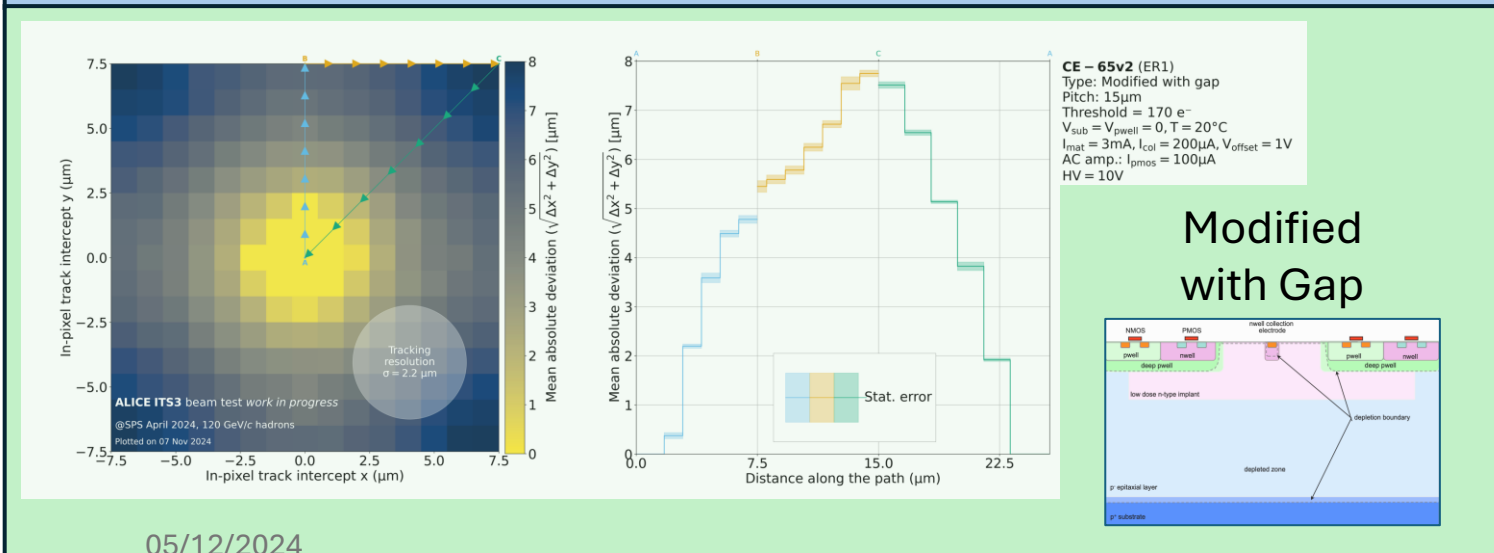
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Backup

Test beam analysis: In-pixel resolution



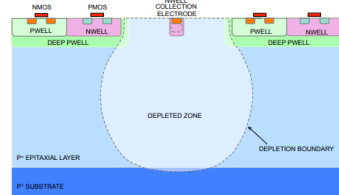
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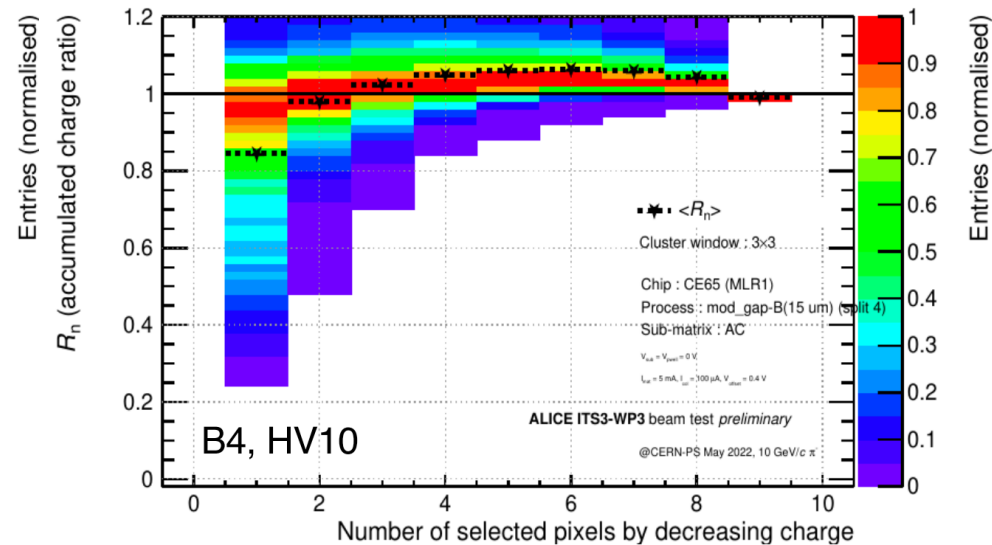
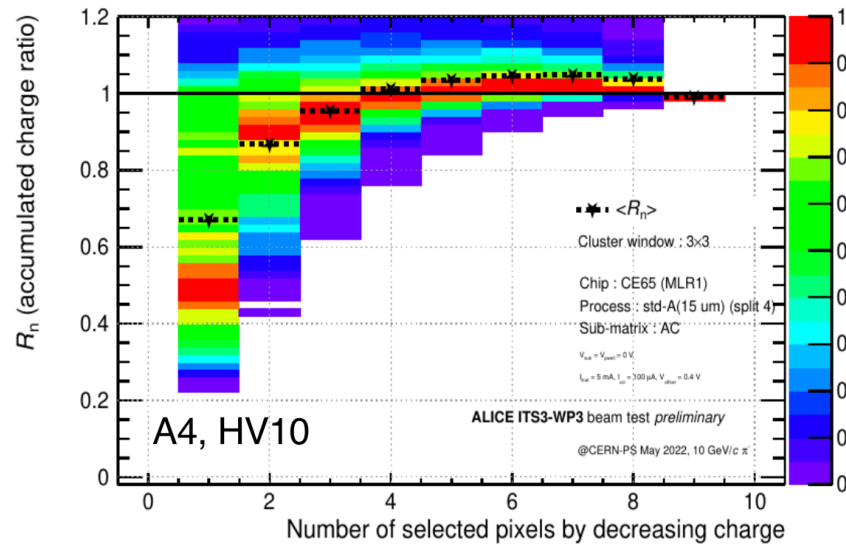
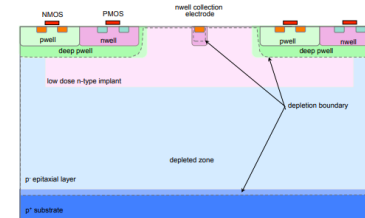
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Quantification of charge sharing

Standard

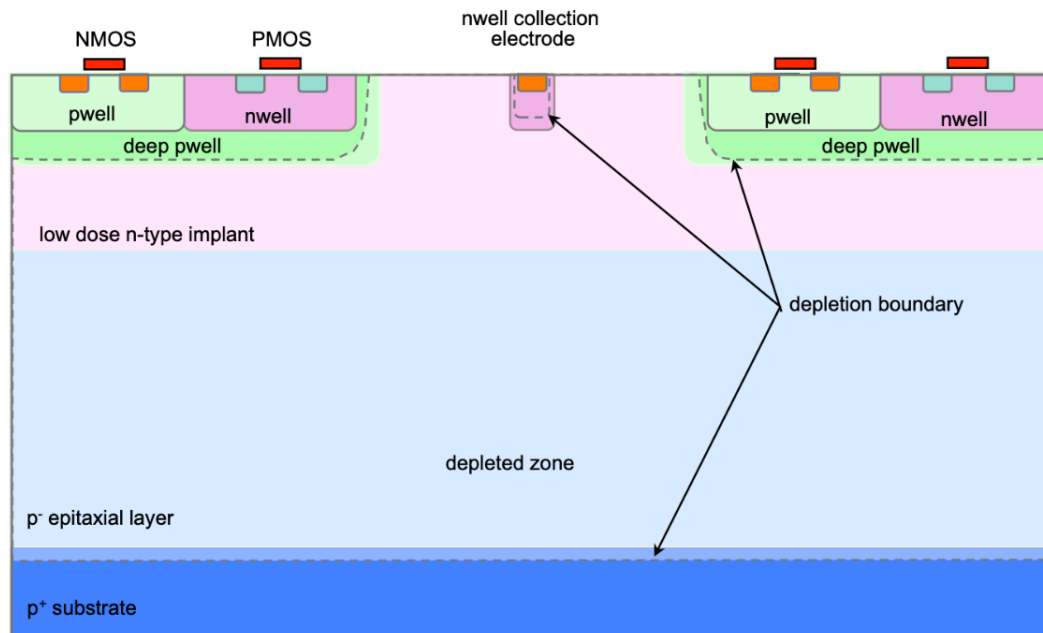


Modified with Gap



These figures quantify the level of charge sharing by providing the number of pixels collecting a charge significant in average

Modified process



With a deep blanket low dose n-type implant.

- Full depletion allows for drift-dominated charge collection
- In 180 nm this increased the radiation tolerance to 10^{14} MeV n_{eq} cm^{-2} but not beyond
- The very low lateral field near pixel edges allows for charge trapping