

# Numerical simulation of radiation damage effects in p-type silicon detectors

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# OUTLINE

- development of the radiation damage **model** for **p-type** silicon
- simulation of the Leakage Current and Depletion Voltage as a function of the Fluence
- simulation of the Charge Collection Efficiency (**CCE**) on irradiated silicon detectors as a function of the Fluence

## Simulation tool:

ISE-TCAD – discrete time and space solution of drift/diffusion and continuity equations

## Damage modelling:

- Deep levels:  $E_t$ ,  $\sigma_n$  and  $\sigma_p$
- SRH statistics
- Uniform density of defect concentration

## Radiation damage Effects to simulate:

- The increasing of the Leakage Current
- The increasing of the Full Depletion Voltage
- The decreasing of the Charge Collection Efficiency

# Simulation setup

## Simulated device structure and parameters:

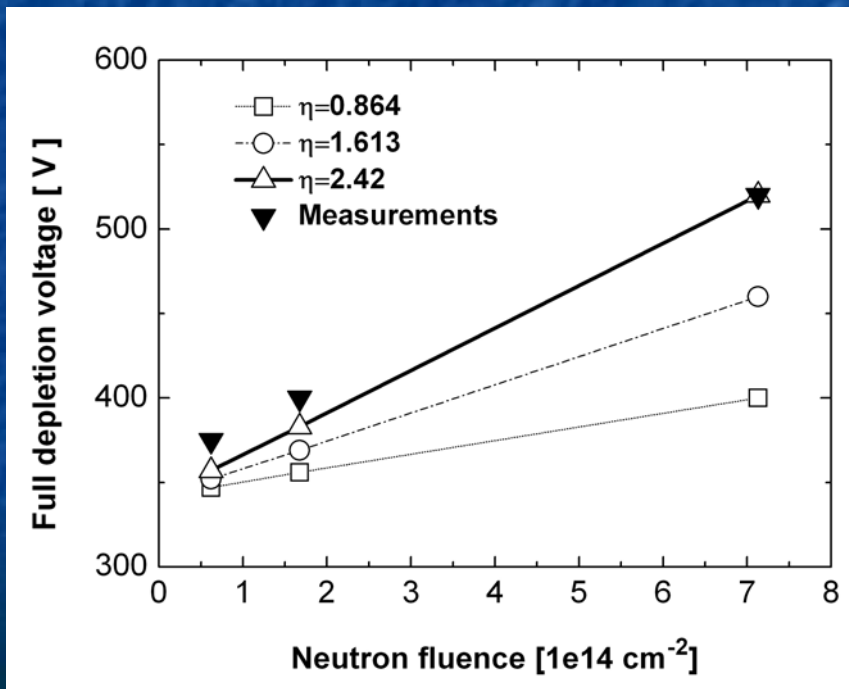
- Doping profiles:
  - **P doped** substrates ( $7 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )  $\rightarrow$  **6k $\Omega$ cm**.
  - Charge concentration at the silicon-oxide interface of :
    - $4 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  pre-irradiation
    - $1 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  post-irradiation
- Optimized variable mesh definition
- Temperature = 300 K
- D (thickness) = 300  $\mu\text{m}$



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<b>E<sub>c</sub>-0.42eV</b>	<b>VV(-/0)</b>	<b>2·10<sup>-15</sup></b>	<b>2·10<sup>-15</sup></b>	<b>2·10<sup>-15</sup></b>	<b>2·10<sup>-13</sup></b>	<b>2.42</b>



\*\* 2 order of magnitude higher

$\beta$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ] simulated
<b>3,72 · 10<sup>-3</sup></b>
$\beta$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ] experimental
<b>4,0 ± 0,4 · 10<sup>-3</sup></b>

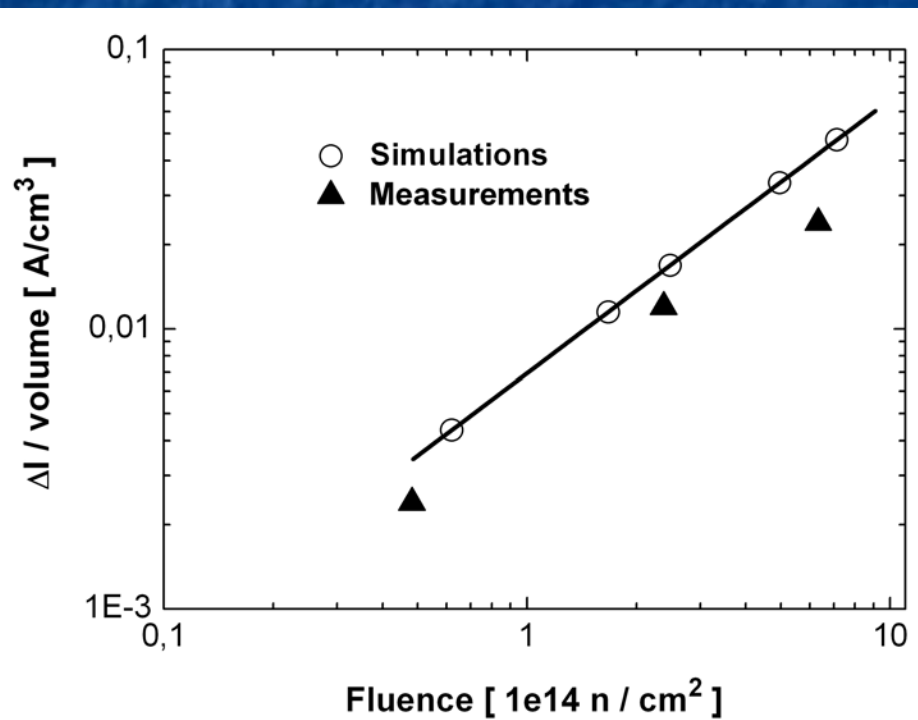
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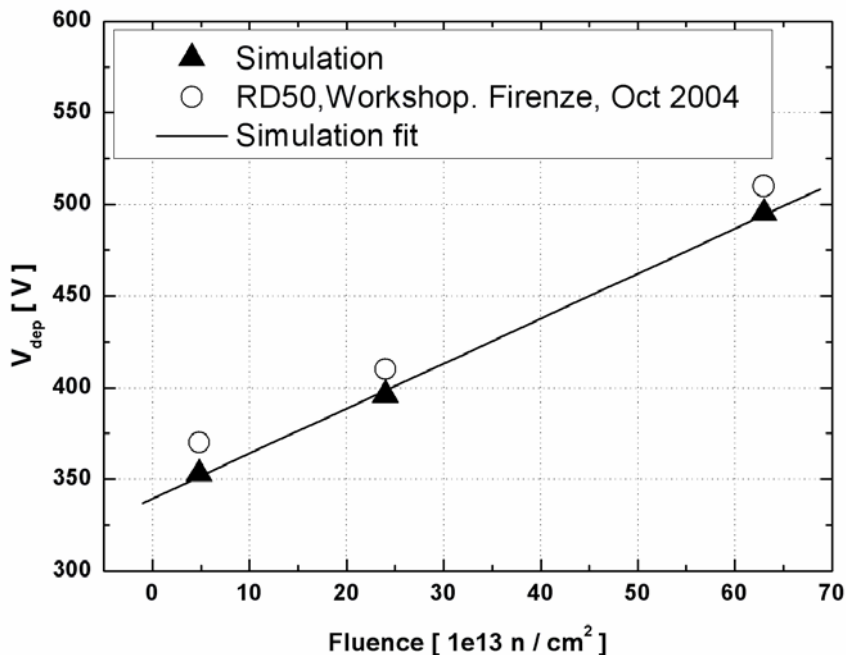


<b>α [A/cm] simulated</b>
<b>6,6 · 10<sup>-17</sup></b>
<b>α [A/cm] experimental</b>
<b>4,0±0,11 · 10<sup>-17</sup></b>

# The p-type Two-Level Radiation Damage Model

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$E_c-0.42\text{eV}$	VV(-/0)	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-14}$	<b>1.613</b>
$E_c-0.46\text{eV}$	VVV(-/0)	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	<b>0.9</b>



\* 1 order of magnitude higher

$\beta$  [cm<sup>-1</sup>]  
simulated

$3.98 \cdot 10^{-3}$

$\beta$  [cm<sup>-1</sup>]  
experimental

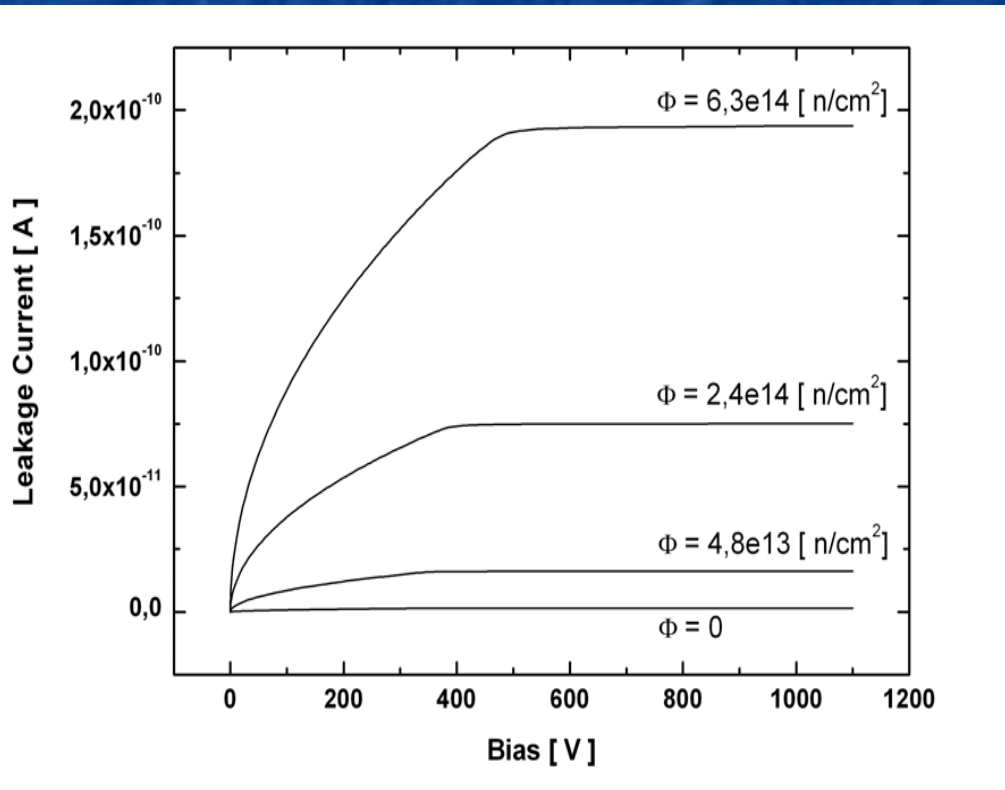
$4,0 \pm 0,4 \cdot 10^{-3}$

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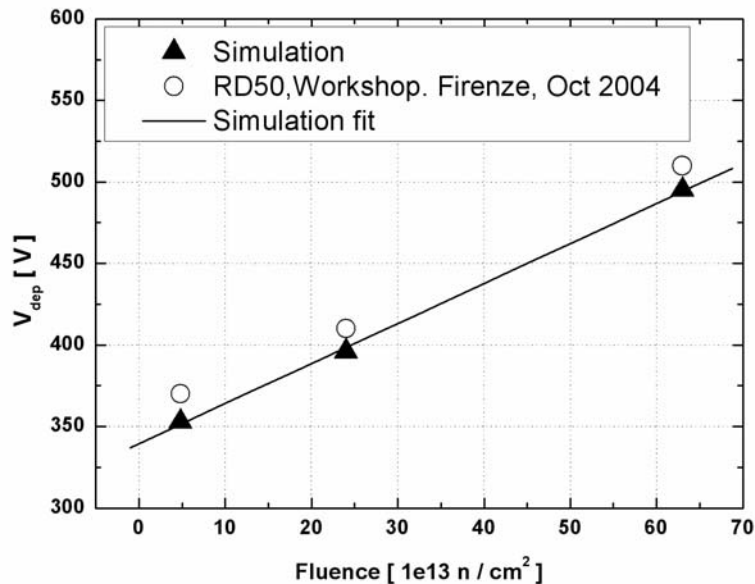
<b>α [A/cm] simulated</b>
<b>3.75·10<sup>-17</sup></b>
<b>α [A/cm] reported (*)</b>
<b>4,0±0,1 ·10<sup>-17</sup></b>



# The p-type Three-Level Radiation Damage Model:

no improvement for the  $V_{dep}$  and Leakage Current due to the donor defect level

Level	Ass.	$\sigma_n$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> ] Experimental	$\sigma_p$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> ] Experimental	$\sigma_n$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> ]	* $\sigma_p$ [cm <sup>-2</sup> ]	$\eta$ [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
$E_c - 0.42\text{eV}$	VV(-/0)	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-14}$	1.613
$E_c - 0.46\text{eV}$	VVV(-/0)	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	0.9
$E_v + 0.36\text{eV}$	? C <sub>i</sub> O <sub>i</sub> ?	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	0.9



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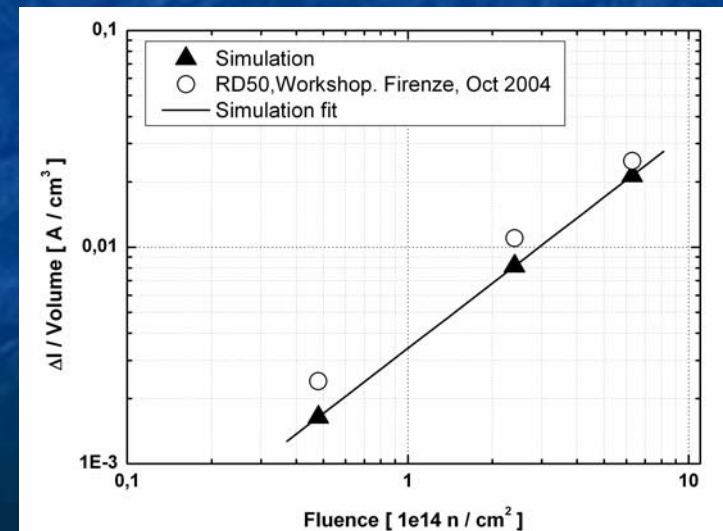
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$\alpha$  [A/cm] experimental

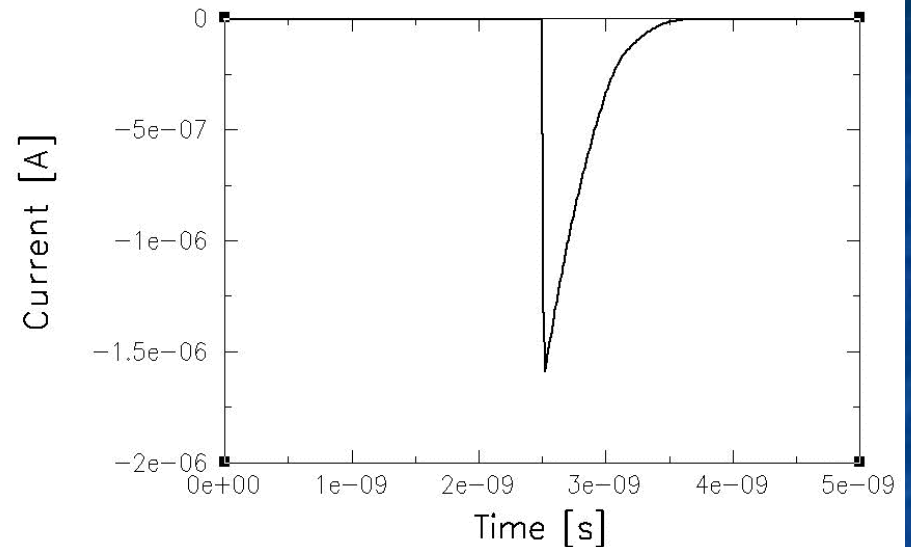
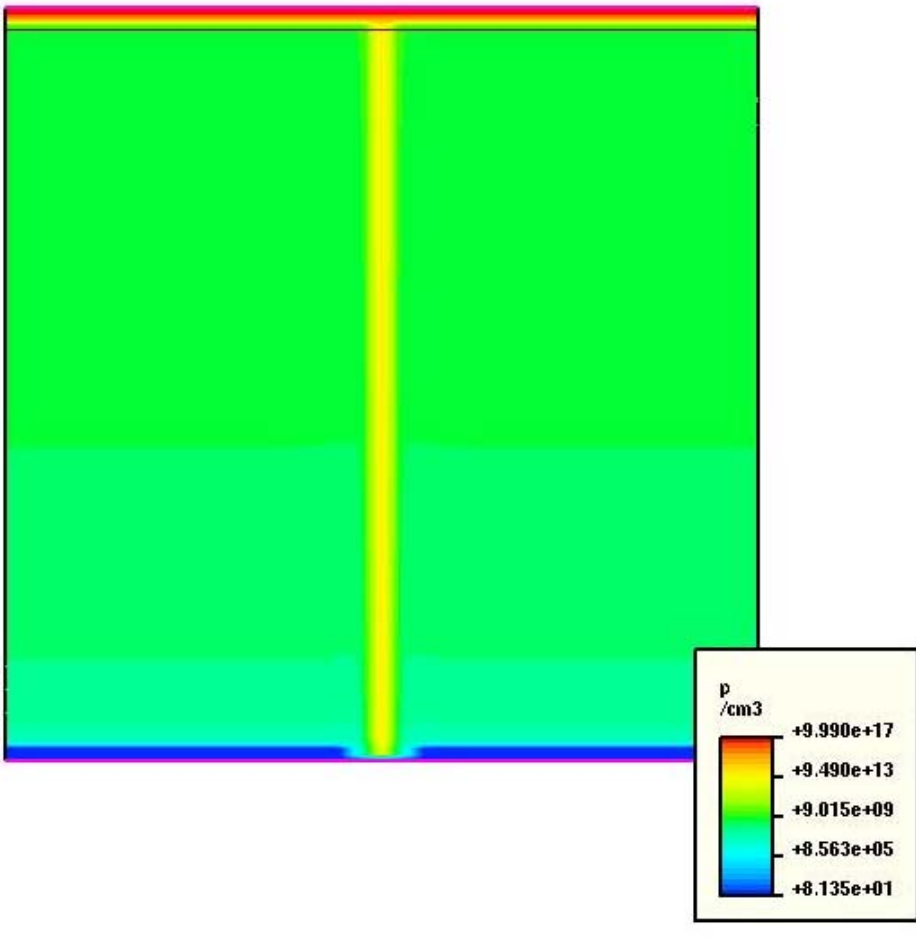
$4 \pm 0,11 \cdot 10^{-17}$

$\alpha$  [A/cm] simulated

$3.75 \cdot 10^{-17}$



# CCE Simulation



$$Q = \int I(t) dt$$

MIP: 80 e-h pairs/  $\mu\text{m}$   
cylinder diameter =  $2 \mu\text{m}$

# CCE Simulation

The Recombination implemented in DESSIS simulator is based on a model called Scharfetter/Auger Trapped Assisted

$$R^{SRH} = \frac{np - n_{i,eff}^2}{\frac{\tau_p^{SRH}}{1 + \frac{\tau_p^{SRH}}{\tau_p^{TAA}}} \left( n + n_{i,eff}^2 e^{\frac{E_{trap}}{kT}} \right) + \frac{\tau_n^{SRH}}{1 + \frac{\tau_n^{SRH}}{\tau_n^{TAA}}} \left( p + p_{i,eff}^2 e^{\frac{E_{trap}}{kT}} \right)}$$

$$\tau_{n/p}^{SRH} = \tau_{dop} F(T, E)$$

$$\tau_{dop}(N_{eff}) = \tau_{min} + \frac{\tau_{max\ e/h} - \tau_{min}}{1 + \left( \frac{N_{eff}}{N_{REF}} \right)^\gamma}$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{n/p}^{TAA}} = c_{n/p}^{TAA} (n + p)$$

change the  $c_{n/p}^{TAA}$  parameters in order to obtain the correct value of the recombination time for high resistivity substrates

From RD50 status Report (2004):

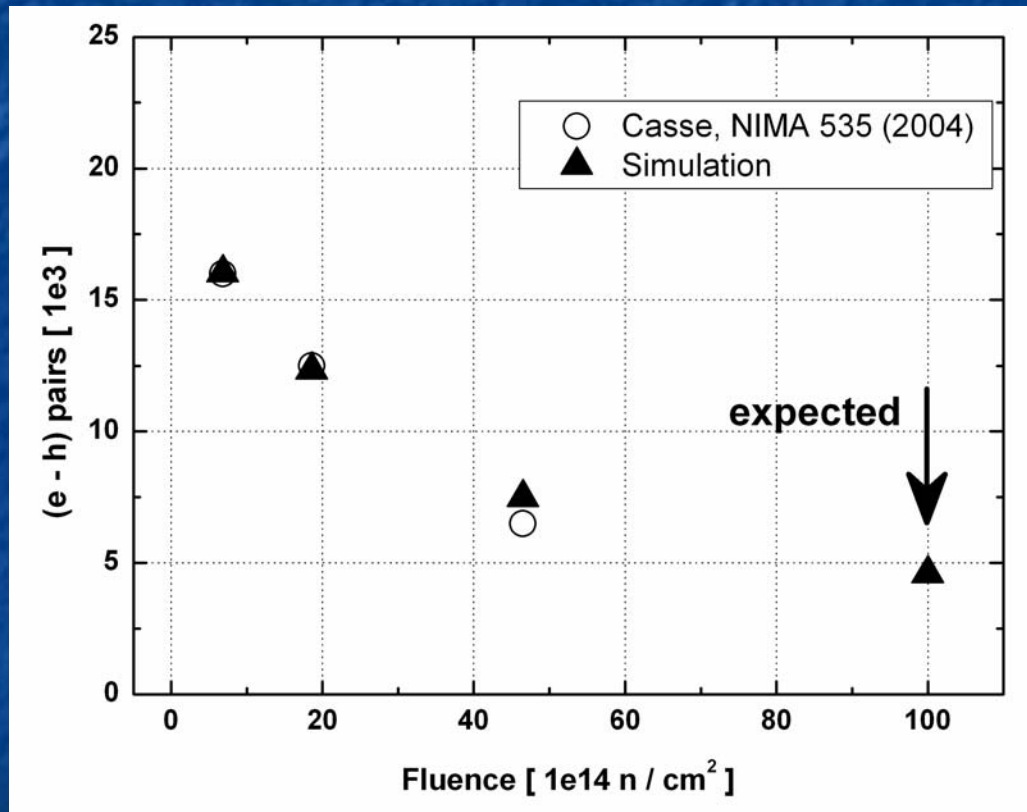
$$\frac{1}{\tau_{eff}} = \beta_{e/h} \cdot \Phi_{eq}$$

where

$\beta_e$ [ $10^{-16}$ cm <sup>2</sup> /ns]	$\beta_h$ [ $10^{-16}$ cm <sup>2</sup> /ns]
5.16 + 0.16	5.04 + 0.16

# CCE vs Fluence for p-type silicon device

Simulation data well reproduce experimental\* measure:



Simulations obtained using the **three-level radiation damage model**:

the donor defect level allows to reduce numerical convergence problems of the transient simulations.

Expected CCE at a fluence of  $1 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ n/cm}^2$  is  $< 4200$  (probably over-estimated) e-h pairs!

\* Measurements from Casse et al. NIMA 535 (2004)

# Conclusions

- Irradiated diodes have been analyzed considering a three levels simulation model for p-type Si substrates:
  - The two-level model for the p-type fits experimental data for the Leakage Current and Full Depletion Voltage
  - The  $C_iO_i$  donor level for p-type silicon seems to be un-influential (at Room Temperature) to simulate the leakage current and the full depletion voltage as a function of the fluence, but has an important function for the transient simulations stability (CCE simulation).
  - The three-level for p-type fits CCE experimental data for fluences up to  $4.85 \cdot 10^{15}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup> at the full depletion voltage.
- Next step is to develop a technique to solve the problems to simulate the CCE vs BIAS voltage (up to  $1 \cdot 10^{16}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>) for p and n type Si substrates partially undepleted.