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2D simulation of n-on-p strip detectors with different p-stop and p-spray structures

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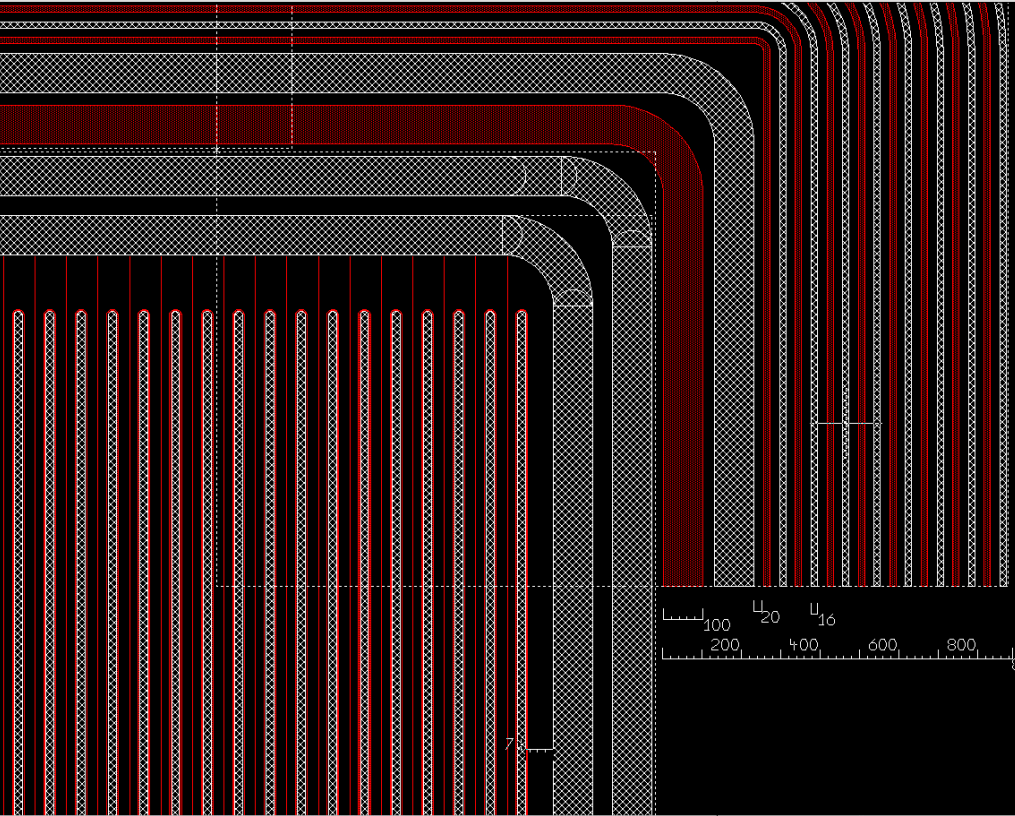
Motivation

- It has been shown that the charge collection in silicon strip detectors is effected by the properties of the surface in the inter-strip gap [*V. Eremin et al., NIM, A500, (2003) 121*].
- For device and material characterization and development of radiation hard detectors it is essential to investigate some special constructions of detectors for evaluating or even eliminating this effect.
- One of the constructions is an n-on-p strip detector.

Benefits of n-on-p strip detector structure

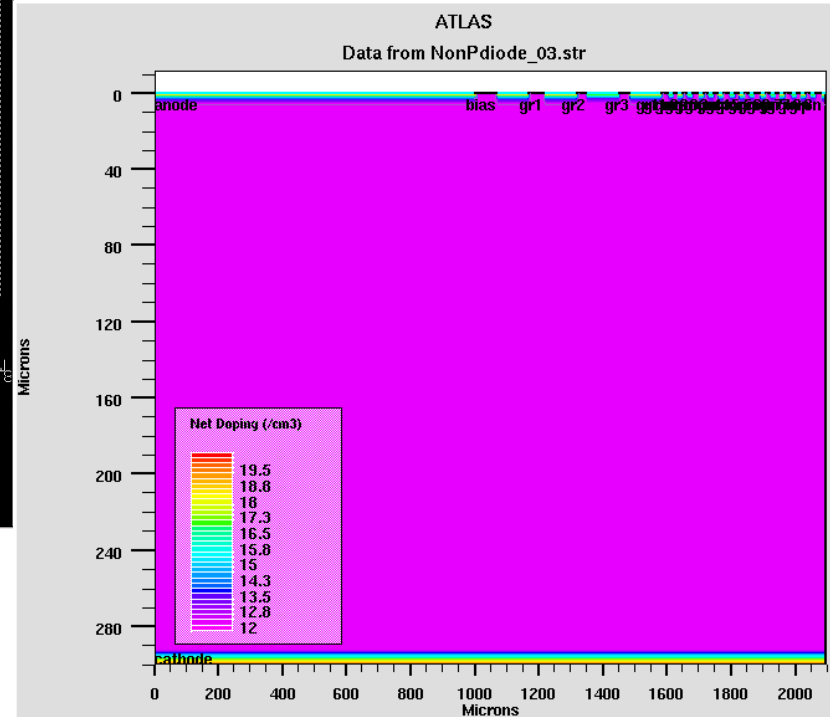
- The strips collect electrons
 - the charge loss problem is less effected because electron mobility is three times that of holes
 - trapping drops to one third

The layout of the n+/p-/p+ strip detector



The layout: Jaakko Härkönen, HIP

white = Phosphorus
red = Boron



Problems of the p-type detectors

- Larger leakage current
- Surface inversion
 - Reducing surface inversion can be done with two methods: using **p-spray** implant, or using **p-stop** implant

P-spray and p-stop implant

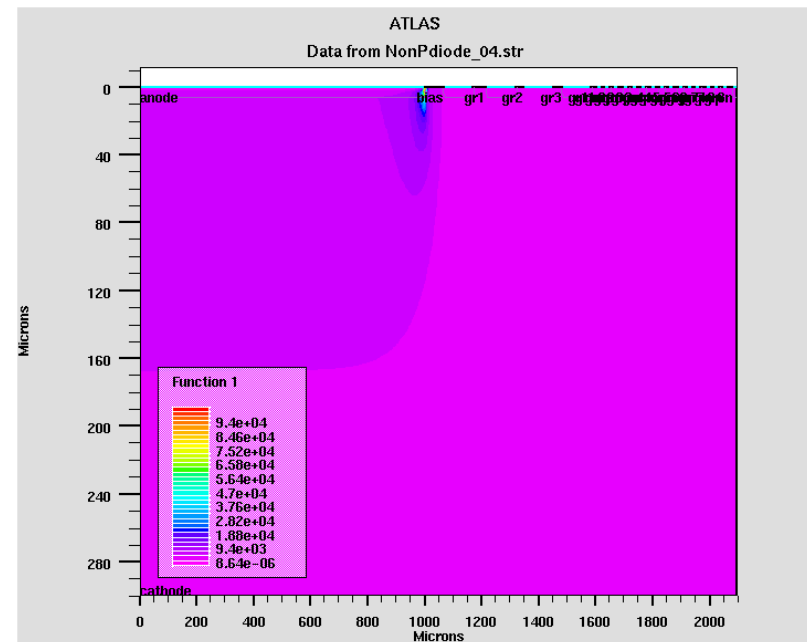
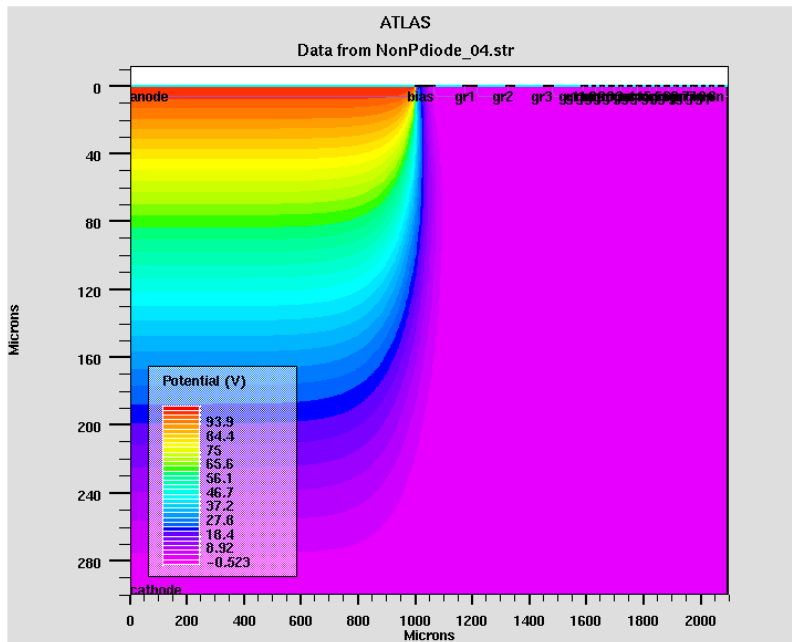
- In case of p-spray implant: the whole wafer surface is doped with a small amount of boron
- In case of p-stop implant: the big dose of boron is doped to the area separated by mask level.
- In this design of n-on-p strip detector the combined p-stop structure [Unno Y. et al. *IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science*, vol. 45, no. 3, June 1998] is used where each n-strip region is splitted into a cell with a narrow p-implant line and placed the individual p-stop frame within the cell.

Simulations done by Silvaco VWF

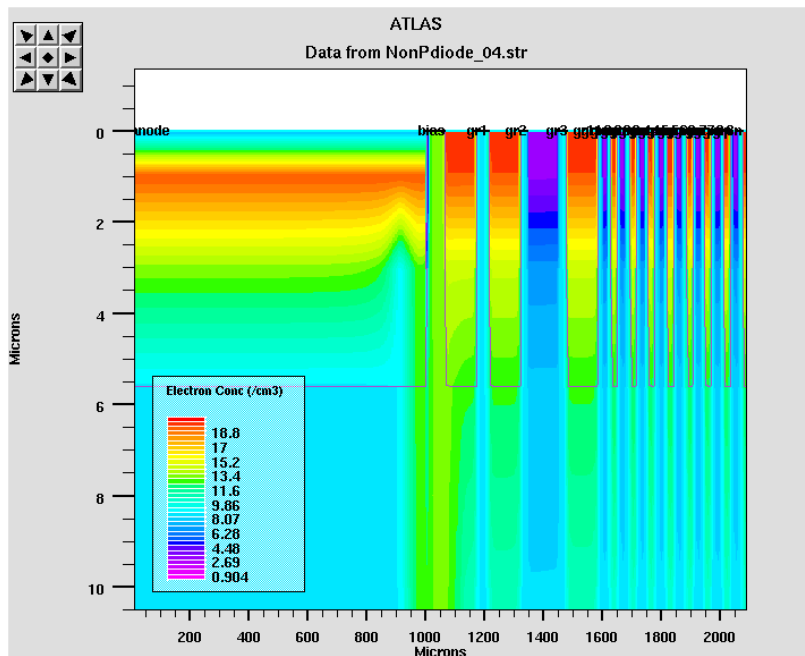
- The computer simulations of the n-on-p strip detector are done using Silvaco Virtual Wafer Fab (VWF) software.
- VWF software is a simulation tool for electronic design.
- It includes different kind of tools for device and process simulation (atlas and athena).
- Silvaco is a physically based simulator, which predicts the electrical characteristics associated with specified physical structures and conditions.

Simulation of n-on-p strip detector

- n-on-p strip detector structure is under simulation
→ these results are the first ones and not correct!



Simulation of n-on-p strip detector



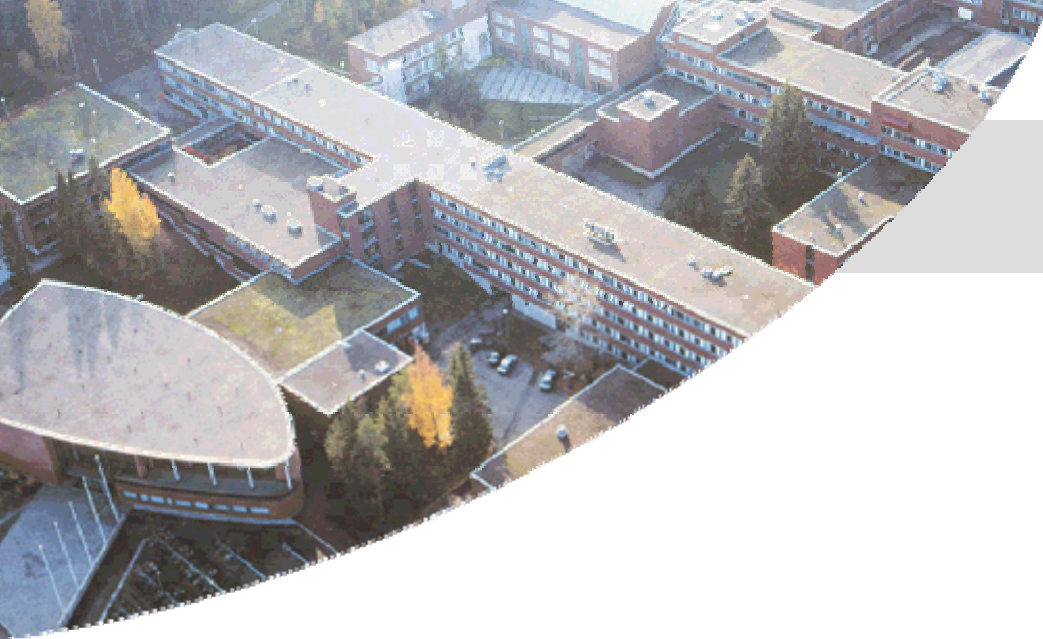
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Simulation problems to overcome

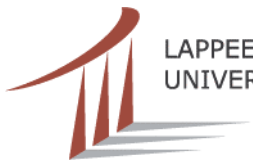
- Include parameters for trap states
- Define oxide charge
- Investigate if the simulation of dynamical response is possible

Summary and future work

- Simulations are in process
→ big amount of work still to be done
- Develop structure model for simulation
- Include parameters
- Confirm results with measurements



Thank you for your attention!



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