

# SSD – Solid State Detectors

- **R&D**: Development of radiation tolerant silicon detectors in the framework of **RD50** and **CMS**
- **Service**: Characterization of semiconductor devices



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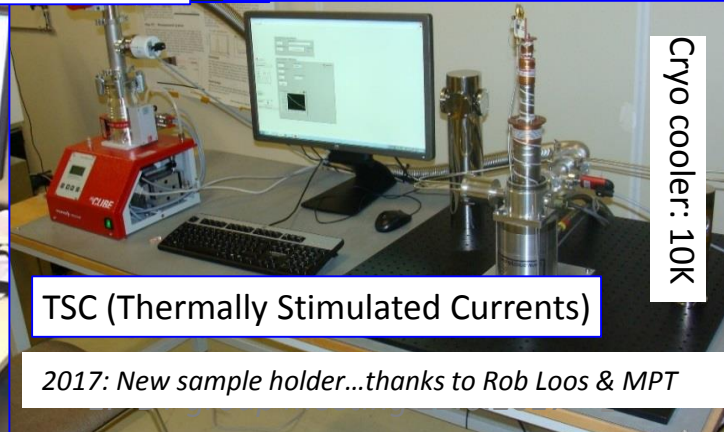
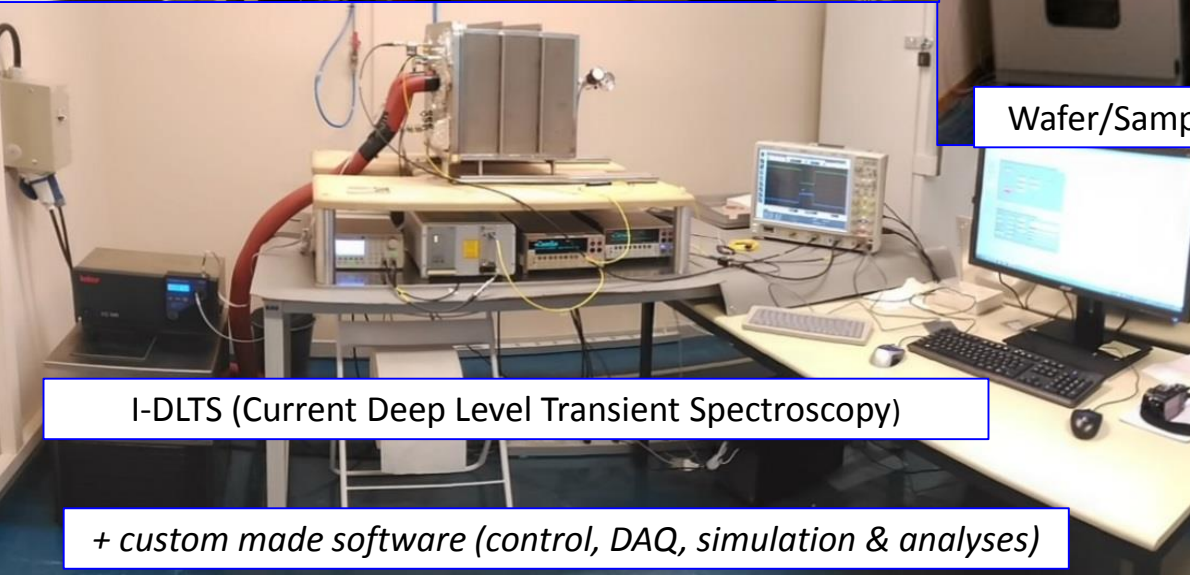
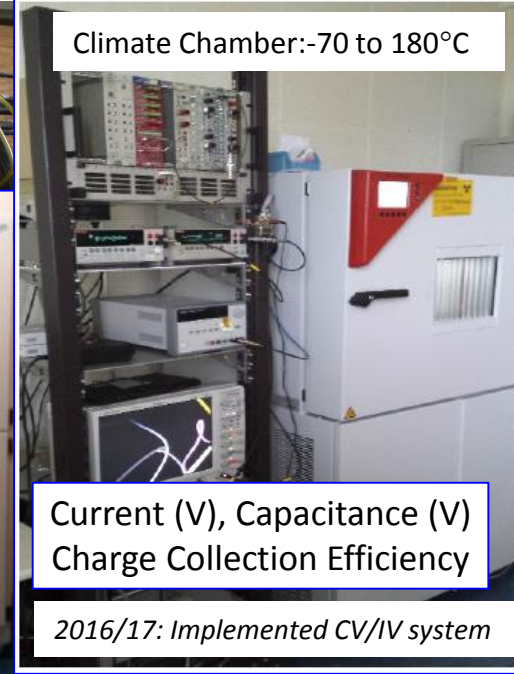
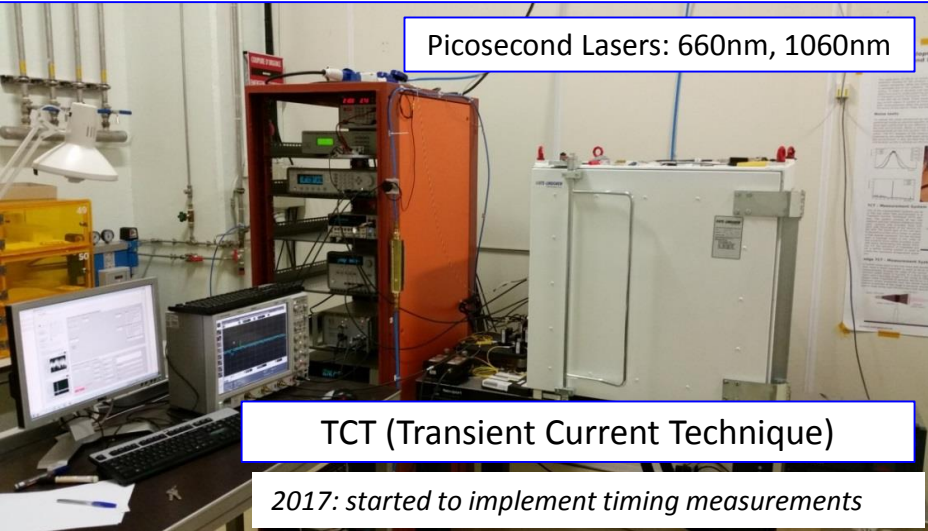
## RD50 support:

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# Solid State Detectors (SSD) lab

- Several bench tests in bldgs.28 and 186 (4 labs)
- Characterization of (electrical) sensor properties before and after irradiation



# Development of Characterization Tools

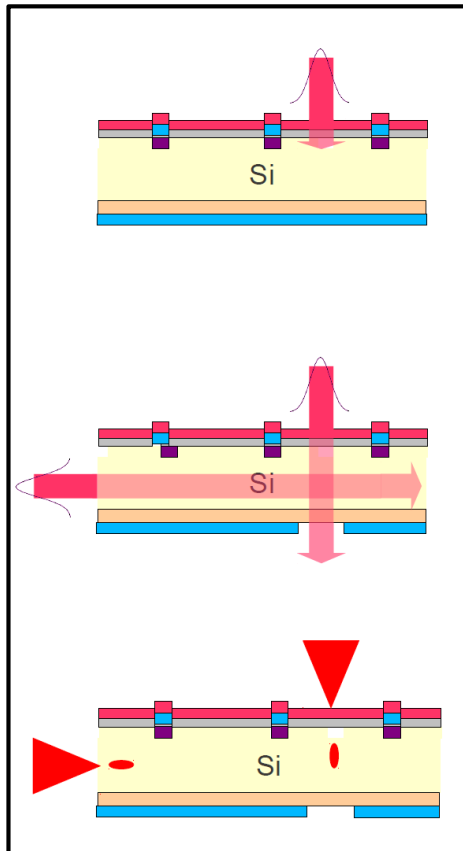
## TCT - Transient Current Technique

- Pulsed laser induced generation of charge carriers in the detector
- Study of: electric field in sensor, charge collection efficiency, homogeneity,..
- Benchmarking of simulation tools, measure physics parameters from mobility to impact ionization



- **New:** Two Photon Absorption TCT (TPA-TCT) developed by SSD & IFCA, UPV, Seville

*Concept: TPA TCT*



### • TCT (red)

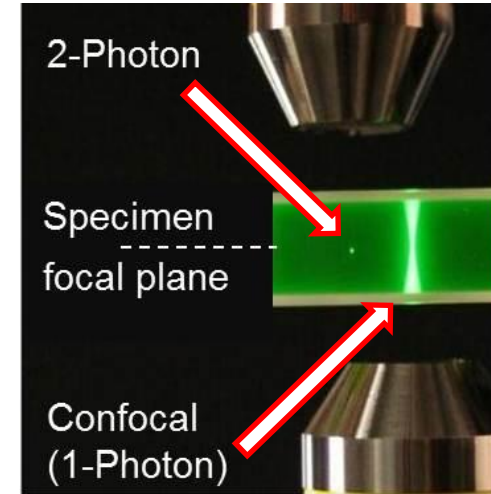
- short penetration length (660nm = 1.9eV)
- **carriers deposited in a few  $\mu\text{m}$  from surface**
- front and back TCT
- study electron and hole drift separately
- 2D spatial resolution (5-10 $\mu\text{m}$ )

### • TCT (infrared)

- long penetration (1064nm = 1.17 eV)
- **similar to MIPs (though different  $dE/dx$ )**
- top and edge-TCT
- 2D spatial resolution (5-10 $\mu\text{m}$ )

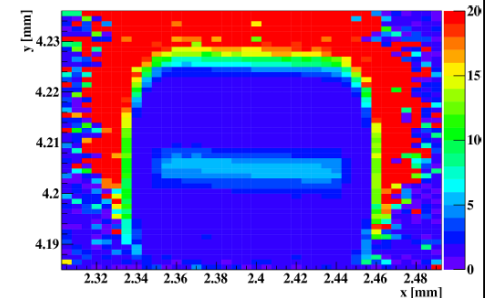
### • TPA-TCT (far infrared)

- No single photon absorption in silicon
- 2 photons produce one electron-hole pair
- **Point-like energy deposition in focal point**
- **3D spatial resolution ( $1 \times 1 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^3$ )**



Photography: Ciceron Yanez, University of Central Florida

*Example: HV-CMOS*  
100x100  $\mu\text{m}^2$ , 10  $\mu\text{m}$  depleted



# Motivation: Radiation Damage!



- **Detectors fail from radiation:** Need for radhard technologies and understanding of damage (physics, modelling, design,...)

- **RD50: Radiation Hard Semiconductor Devices for High Luminosity Colliders** (55 Institutions, 300 members)

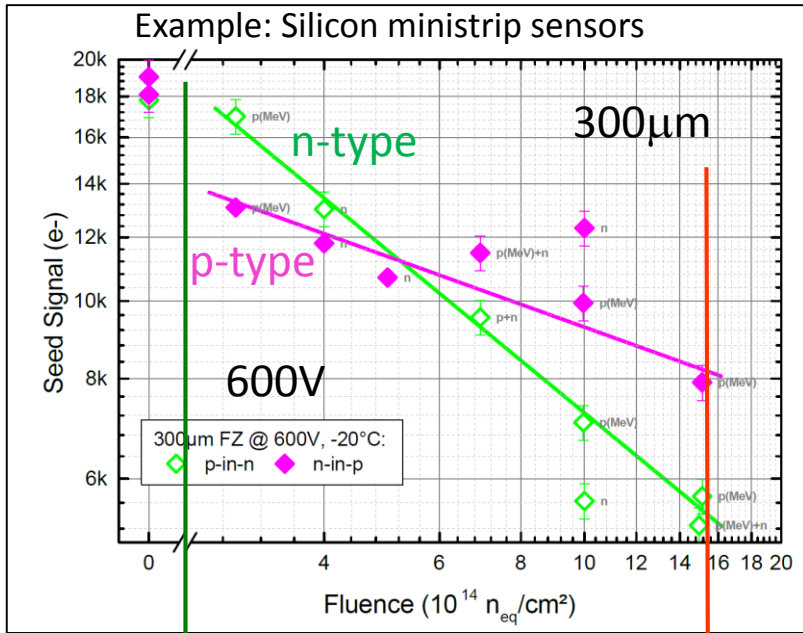
- Introduced **p-type silicon** i.e. n-in-p sensors (Used for ATLAS, CMS tracker upgrades)
- First commercialization of **3D sensors** (Used for ATLAS-IBL; ATLAS, CMS pixel upgrades)
- Reliable models for damage prediction
- Fundamental understanding of radiation damage

Hot topics in RD50 today:

- **Precision timing detectors**
- **MAPS** – Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (with drift fields)

- **Our role (SSD team): RD50 base at CERN**

- Co-spokesperson, strategy, management
- Administration and technical service to collaboration
- Active contribution to R&D program



**LHC**

highest fluence for strip detectors in LHC: p-in-n technology is sufficient

(pixel up to  $\sim 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^2$ )

**HL-LHC**

n-in-p technology needed at radii presently (LHC) occupied by strip sensors

(pixel up to  $\sim 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^2$ )



**FCC (Future Circular Collider)**

up to  $7 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  and 300 MGy ( $30 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ )

**no technology available** for inner layers

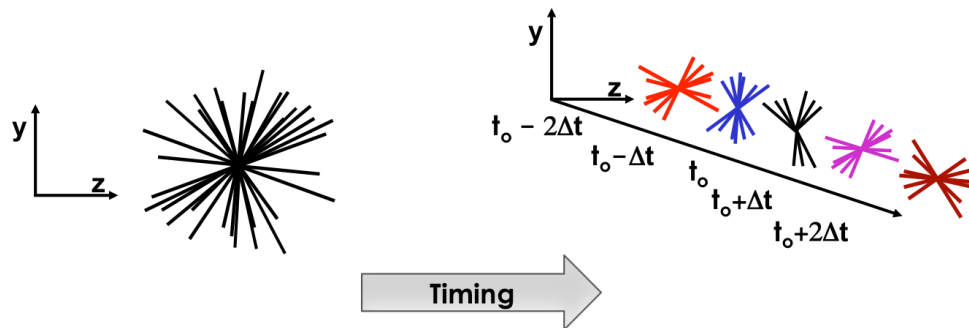
..even testing for these radiation levels

is a challenge by itself (see IRRAD facility talk)

# SSD: Project Oriented R&D

- R&D with LHC Experiments for specific detectors and with fixed timeline
  - [2010-16] CMS Tracker HPK Sensor Campaign (qualification of n-in-p-sensors)
  - [2014-17] CMS HGICAL High Granularity Calorimeter ...continued by LCD/DT group (Eva Sicking et al.)  
Evaluation of radiation hardness to neutrons of sensors for the HGC
  - since 2017: CMS Endcap MIP Timing Layer, ATLAS HGT (High Granularity Timing) & AFP, ...
- Precision timing detectors
  - Aim for **4D tracking**: **10 ps** time and **10  $\mu\text{m}$**  position resolution

**Why?** Counteract HL-LHC pile-up ( $\text{PU} \approx 140$ )  
FCC ( $\text{PU} \approx 1000$ ) will not work without!



**How?**

Technology: Sensors with intrinsic gain  
LGAD (Low Gain Avalanche Detectors)  
DD-APD (Deep Diffused Avalanche Particle Detector)

**RD50 status** (after only  $\sim 5$  years development)

Demonstrated 30ps (one layer) and 18 ps (3 layers) resolution;  
first LGAD operating in LHC (CTPPS), ATLAS and CMS counting on LGADs (HGT, MTL, AFP,...)

Impressive!

...but devices suffer from **RADIATION DAMAGE**

# SSD: Generic R&D

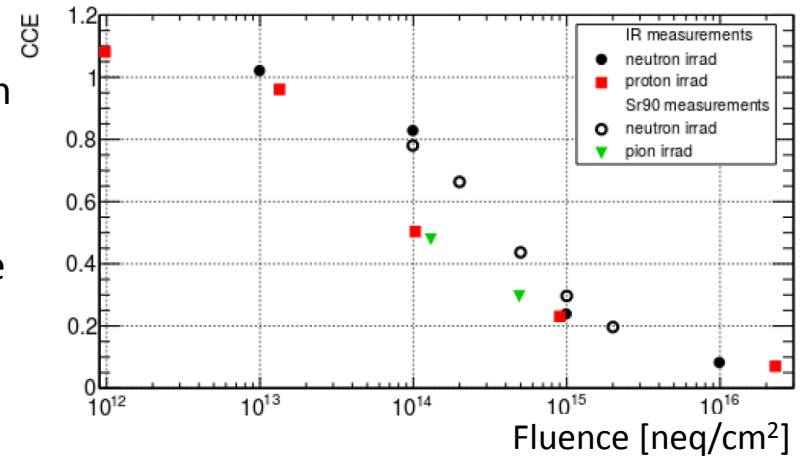
Example:  
Acceptor removal

- **LGAD** Low Gain Avalanche Detector

A gain layer produced by Boron doping provides a high electric field that leads to charge multiplication (i.e. increased signal → improved timing)

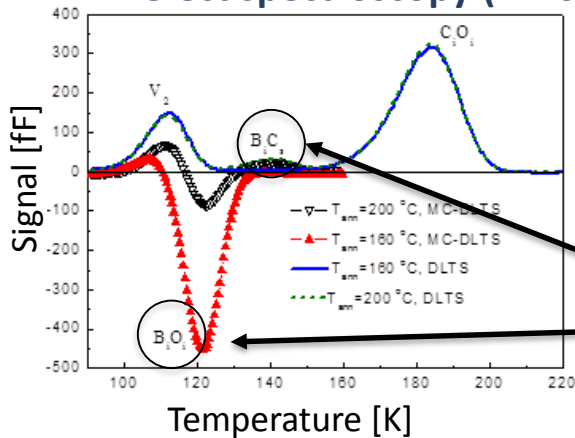
- **Problem:** Loss of gain in LGAD sensors due to radiation damage
- **Reason** (most likely, ongoing R&D effort): Boron doping is de-activated by radiation damage

Damage: We are losing the gain!



[SSD: submitted for publication]

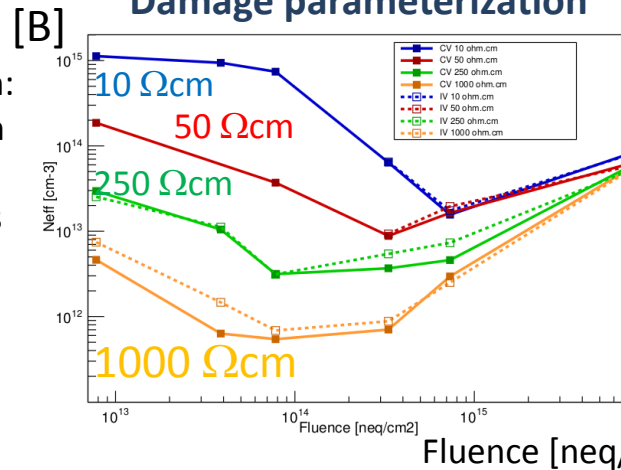
Defect spectroscopy (DLTS)



After irradiation:  
Boron bound in defects; visible as defect levels

$B_iC_s$   
 $B_iO_i$

Damage parameterization



Silicon with different Boron content (i.e. different resistivity)  
Epi-p, 50μm

[SSD: presented on RD50 Workshop in June 2017]

- **Mitigation approach** (under study)
  - Replace Boron by Gallium (another acceptor type)
  - Enrich silicon with Carbon (acts as defect getter)

[SSD & L.Makarenko (Minsk)]



# Solid State Detector Lab

## Summary & Outlook

- **Solid State Detector Lab** team working on radhard silicon sensor development and testing with very visible contributions to **RD50** and some **CMS** projects in generic and applied R&D projects.
- Well equipped sensor characterization laboratory (come and visit us!)
  - **Service:** equipment and expertise is made available to clients
  - Strong expertise in laser based characterization techniques (TCT techniques)
- **RD50:** Good example that international R&D projects (with moderate CERN resources) have a very fruitful impact on detector developments [*p-type sensors saved the HL-LHC trackers*]
- **SSD Outlook:** Precision timing detectors and CMOS MAPS will dominate future work
- **General outlook**(RD50 and beyond): R&D for HL-LHC and FCC
  - Expertise on radiation damage, damage prediction and damage mitigation will be needed.
  - Timing detectors are not yet sufficiently radiation hard (HL-LHC)
  - There is no technology available for FCC inner tracking layers
  - Fluence range expected for FCC has not even been explored
- **SSD activities not shown:** DD-APD development with RMD & US CMS groups, 3D sensor development for CMS, defect characterization within RD50, TRACS signal simulator (licensed with help of KT), TCAD modelling, study of Nitrogen enriched silicon within RD50, SiPM testing with CMS HCAL group; TCT-TPA testing at Bilbao laser facility, RD50 test beam support, .... (sorry to the colleagues working on this)

Strong need to define  
R&D roadmap reaching  
beyond 2020!