

Charge Collection and Trapping in Epitaxial Silicon Detectors after Neutron-Irradiation

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Introduction

Trapping

- Most limiting factor for S-LHC
- Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE) decreases

Aim of this work

- Determination of trapping time τ
- taking into account double peak distortions to the electric field
- Investigation of field dependence of τ

Introduction

Why field dependent?

$\tau = \text{constant}$

- often used for $\phi < 2 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ (FZ, MCz)
- not suitable for $\phi > 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

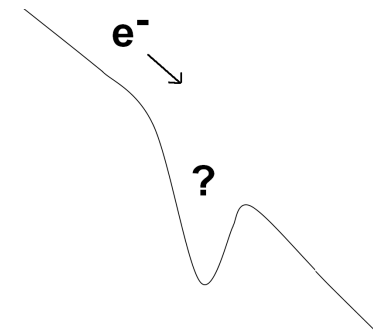
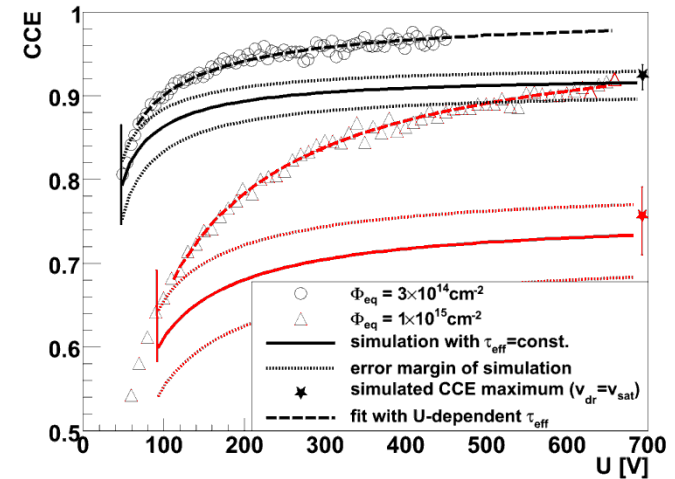
τ voltage dependent

empirical model, good description for $\phi > 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ possible

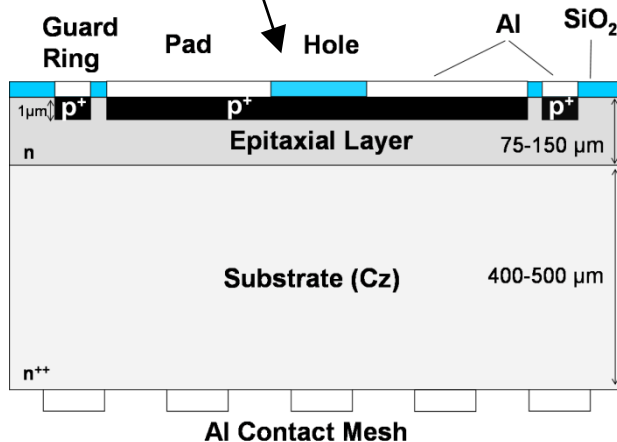
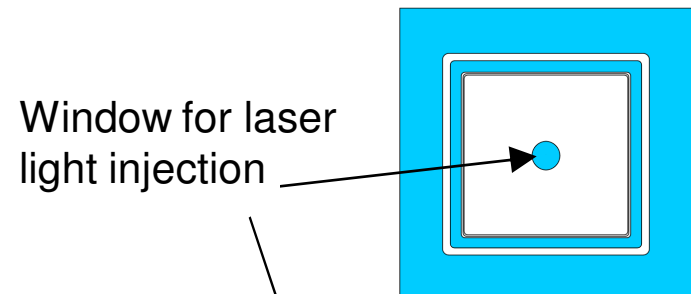
τ field dependent

motivated by:

- field dependent trapping cross section $\sigma(E)$?
- field enhanced detrapping ?
- trap filling ?



Investigated Samples



Samples and irradiation

n-type epitaxial silicon pad detectors

- thickness d : 150 μm
- area: 2.5 x 2.5 mm²
- neutron fluence ϕ : $1 \cdot 10^{15}$ to $4 \cdot 10^{15}$ cm⁻²
 - ⇒ type inversion
 - ⇒ probably below charge multiplication range

Why epitaxial detectors?

- thin layer can be grown (device engineering)
- high oxygen concentration (good radiation hardness)

All properties can be tuned

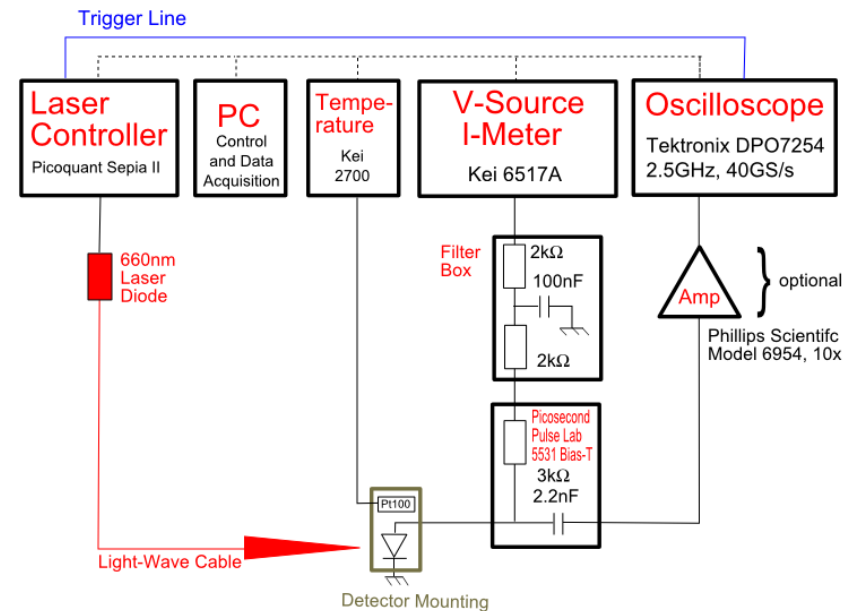
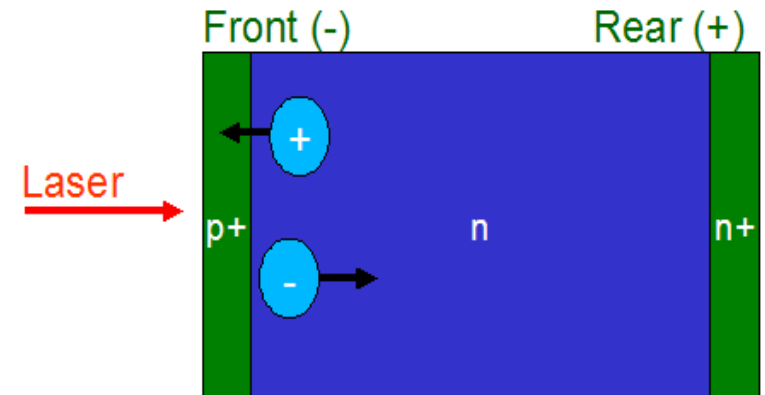
⇒ Optimization of radiation hardness possible

Transient Current Technique (TCT)

- Front side injection (p+ side)
- 660 nm / 670 nm laser light (penetration depth 3 μm)
 \Rightarrow electron signal

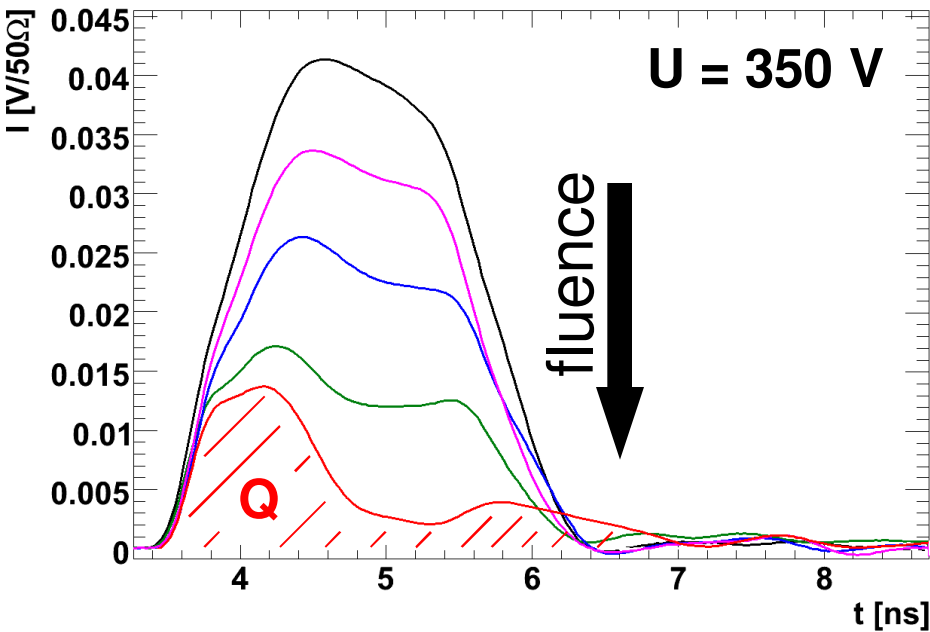
- Short laser pulse
 - FWHM 70 ps
- Small pad diodes
 - $d = 150 \mu\text{m}$, $C = 4.3 \text{ pF}$
- 2.5 GHz Oscilloscope

measured rise time = 600 ps



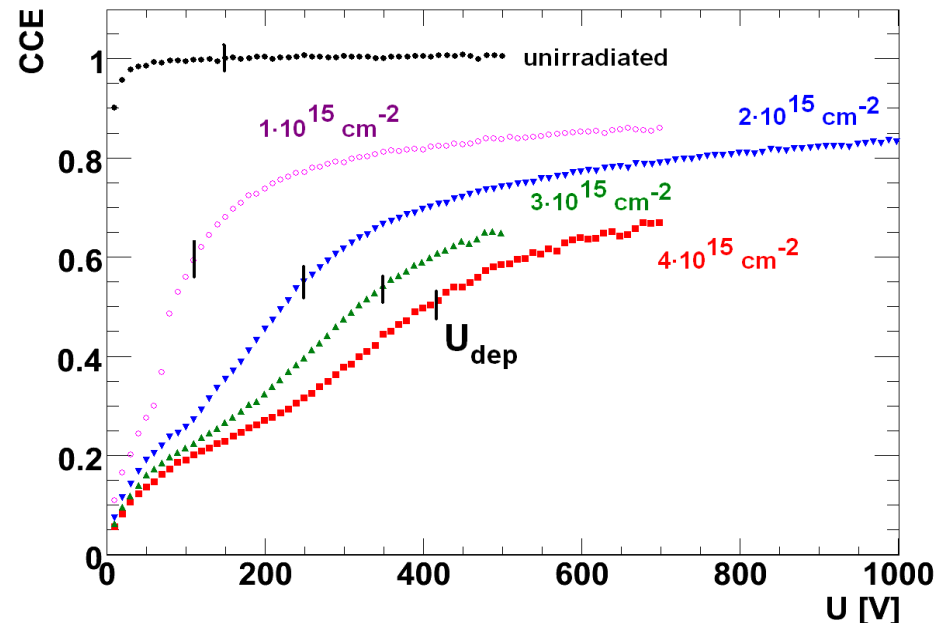
Determination of Charge Collection Efficiency from TCT Measurements

TCT signal



- Collected Charge $Q = \int I \, dt$
- Deposited Charge $Q_0 = \int I_{\text{non-irradiated}} \, dt$
- Trapping reduces collected charge Q .

Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE)



- $\text{CCE} = Q / Q_0$
- Unirradiated diodes: $\text{CCE} = 1$

Determination of $\tau(E)$

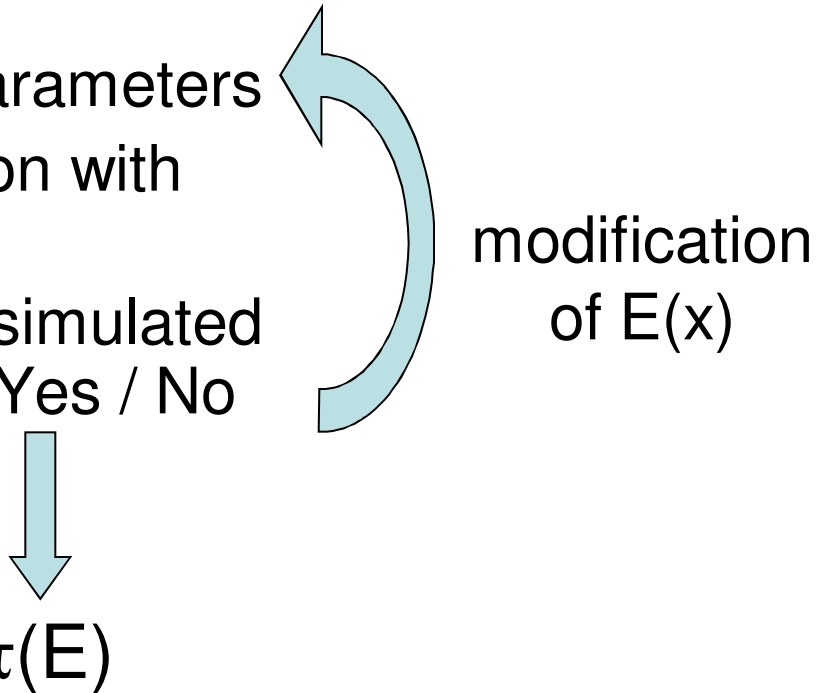
Initial guess of field distribution (i.g. linear, parabolic)

- Assumption of electric field parameters
- Fit of CCE curves by simulation with parameter τ
- Agreement of measured and simulated TCT signal?

Yes / No

$\tau(E)$

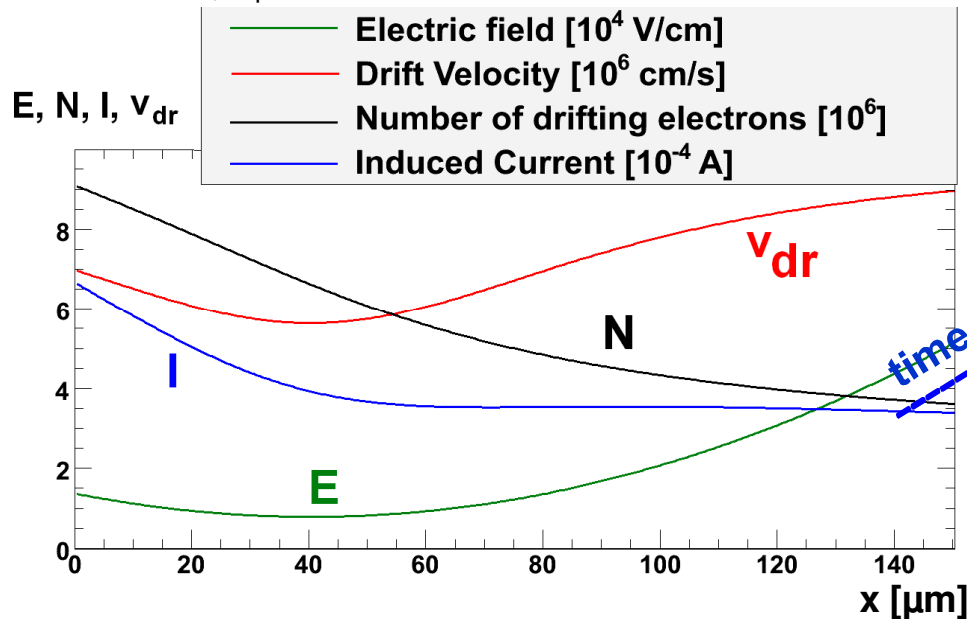
modification
of $E(x)$



Simulation of TCT Signal

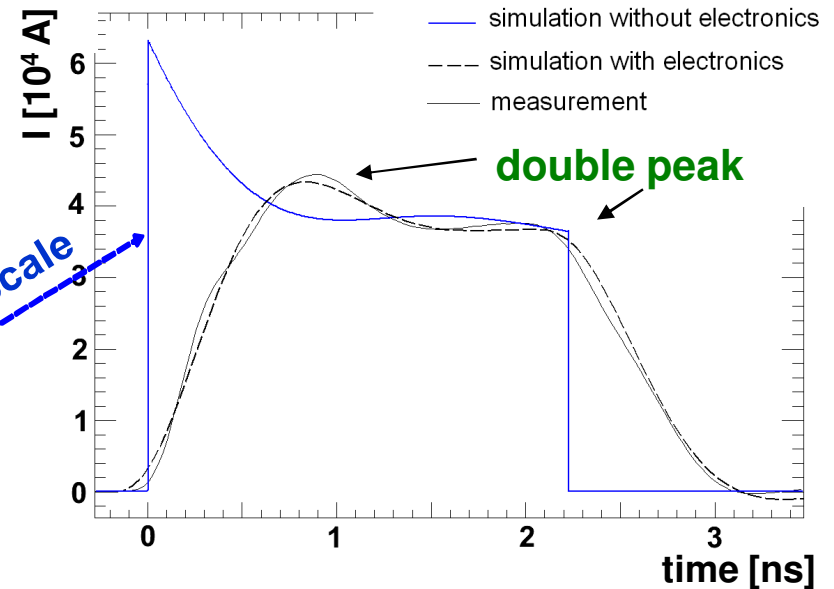
Simulation of TCT signal

$U = 300 \text{ V}$, $\phi = 2 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



TCT signal smearing

$U = 300 \text{ V}$, $\phi = 2 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

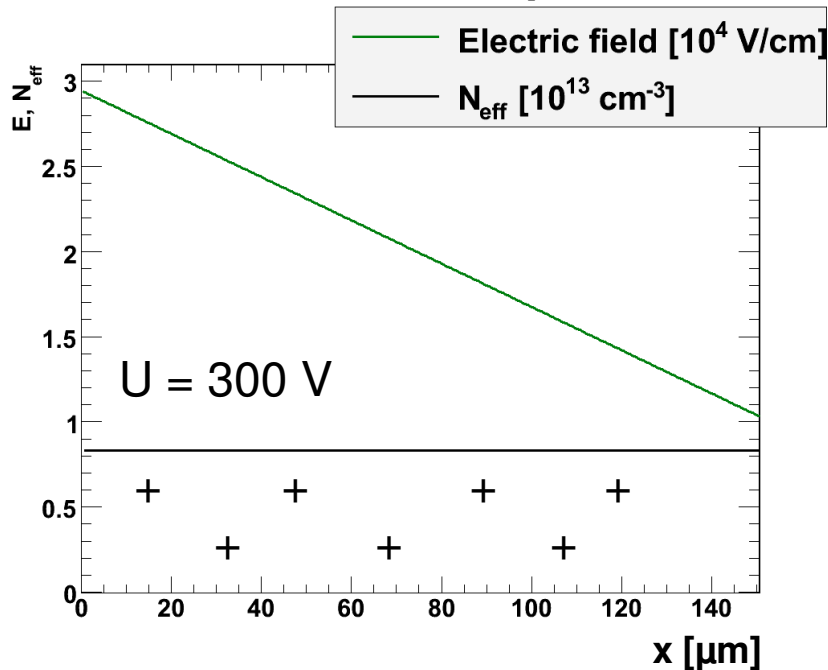


Simulation takes into account:

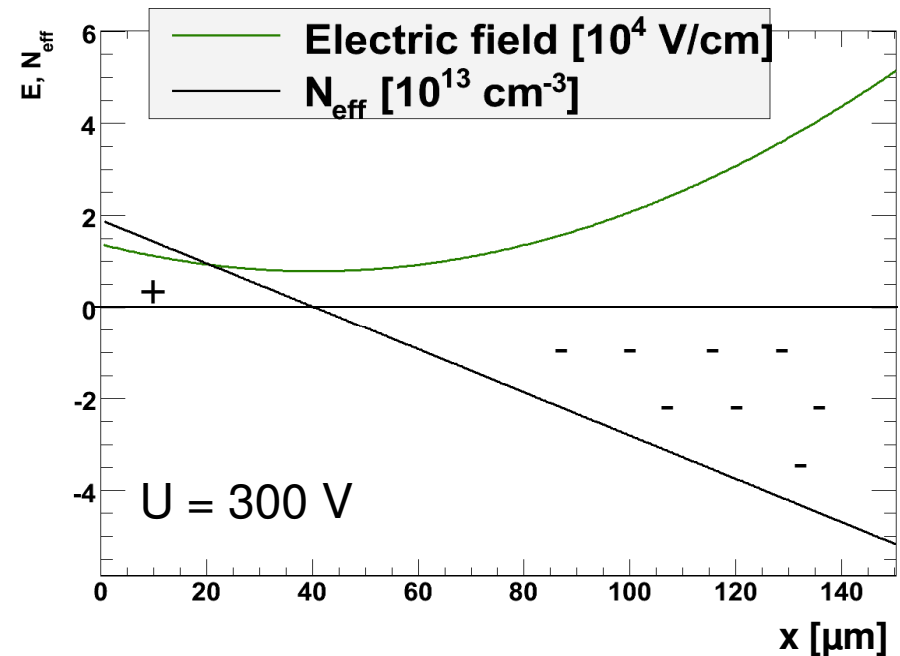
- Number of drifting electrons N reduces while drifting (trapping)
- Parabolic E-field needed to describe double peak (space charge distribution)
- Saturation of drift velocity $v_{dr}(E(x))$
- Induced current $I(t) = v_{dr} \cdot N \cdot e_0 / d$ (Ramo's Theorem)
- Electronic circuit effects (calculated with SPICE)

Electric Field and Space Charge Distribution N_{eff}

Unirradiated diode p⁺n



Irradiated diode: $\phi = 2 \cdot 10^{15}$ cm⁻²



homogenous space charge distribution \Rightarrow linear electric field

\Rightarrow double peak not described

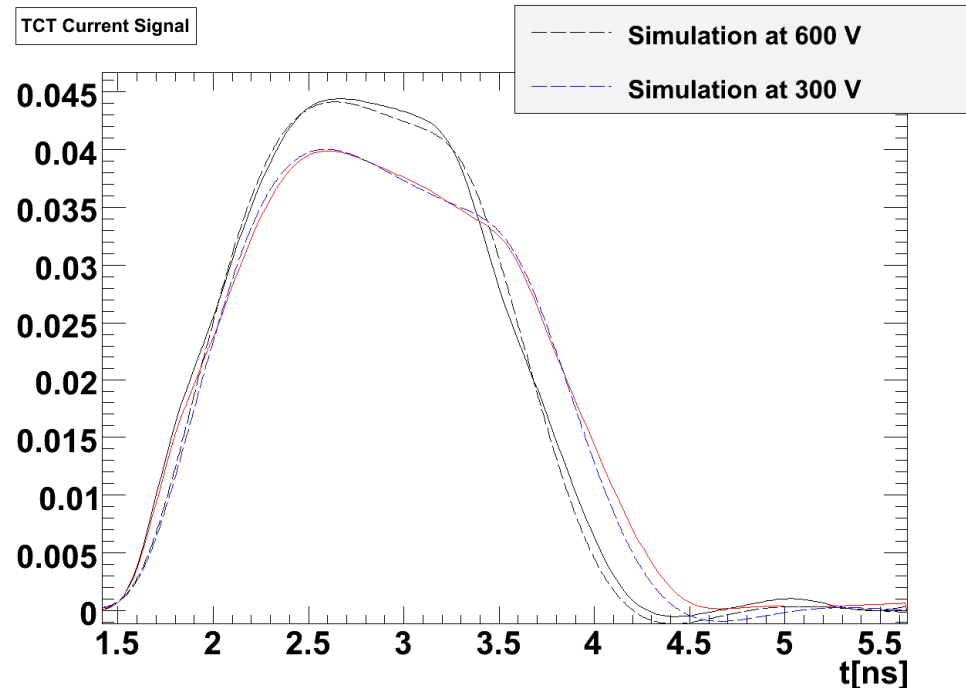
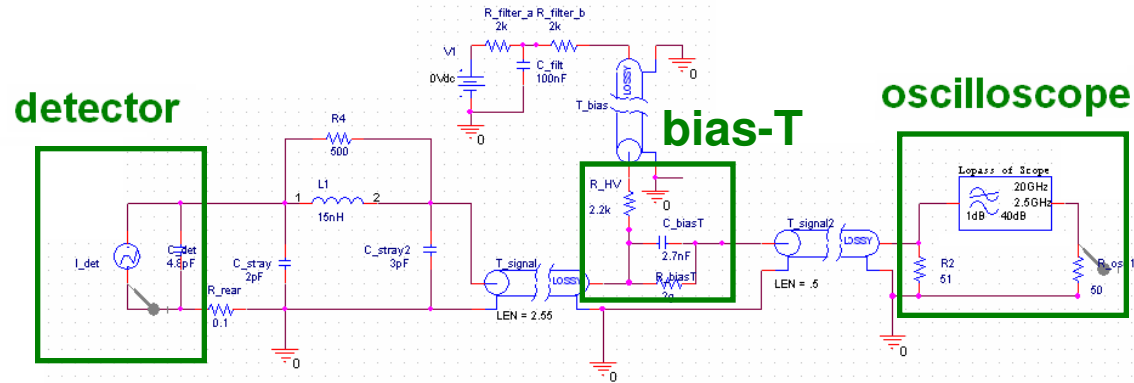
linear space charge distribution \Rightarrow parabolic electric field

\Rightarrow good agreement between simulated and measured TCT signal possible

Circuit Simulation

Circuit simulation

- Calculated with SPICE
- Unirradiated diodes used for calibration



Fit of the CCE curve

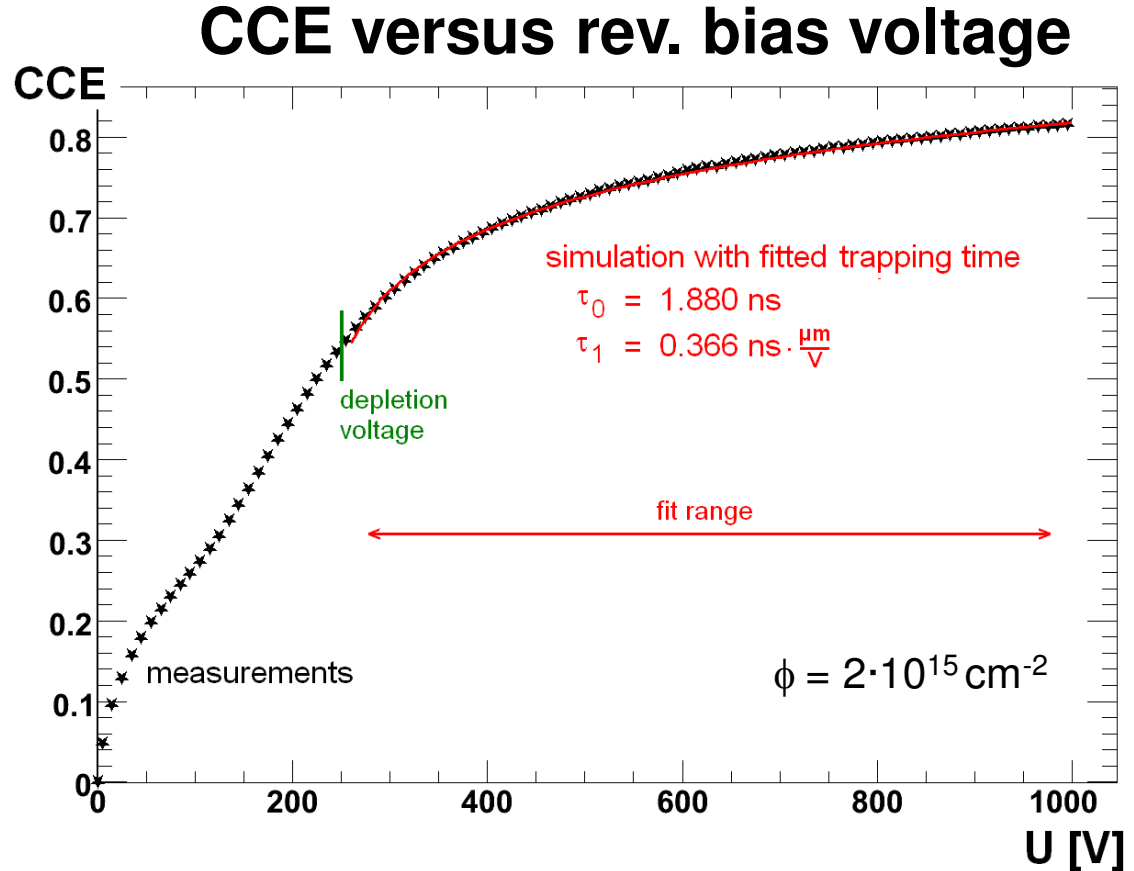
Trapping model:

$$-dN = \frac{1}{\tau(E(x(t)))} N dt$$

Parameterisation of τ :

$$\tau = \tau_0 + \tau_1 E$$

- fit simulated CCE curve to the measured CCE values
- free parameters: τ_0, τ_1



Field Dependence and Fluence Dependence of $1/\tau$

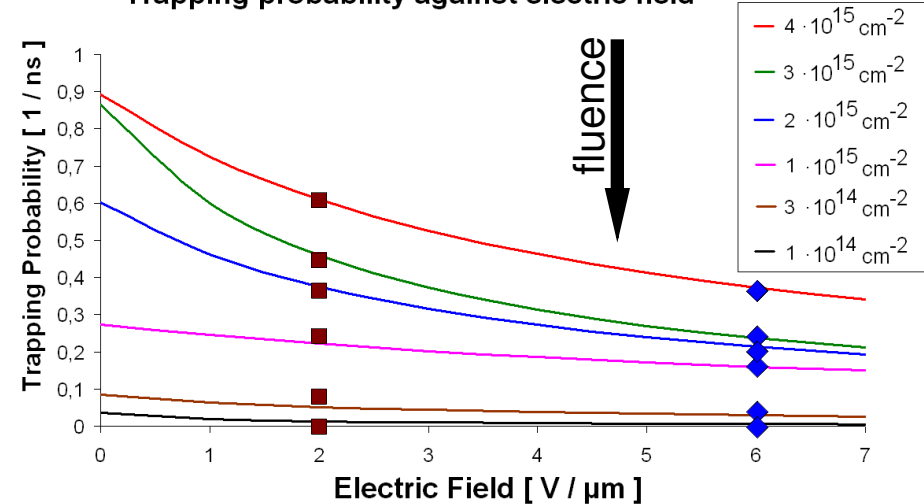
Trapping probability $1/\tau$ decreases with increasing electric field E

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_0 + \tau_1 \cdot E}$$

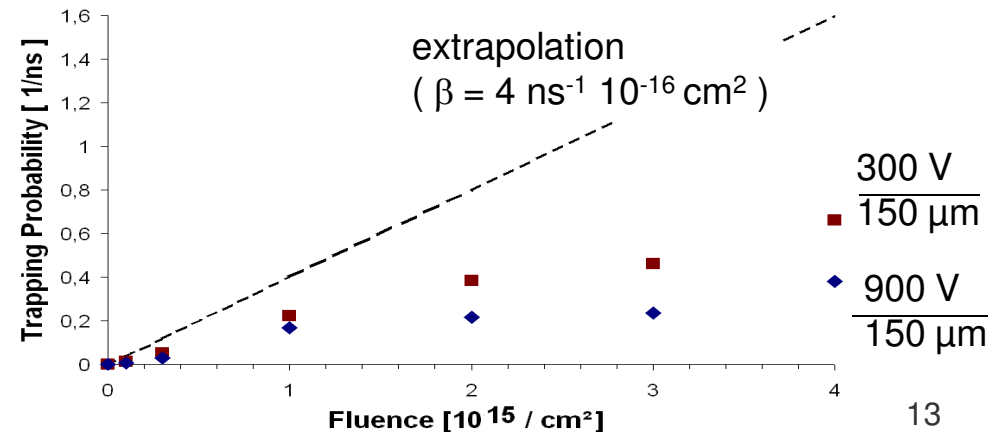
Previous investigations (by G. Kramberger):

- Method: Charge Correction (CCM)
- up to fluences of $2 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- $\tau = \text{const}$
- $1/\tau = \beta \phi$

Trapping probability against electric field



Trapping probability against fluence



Summary and Conclusion

Charge collection and trapping can be well described taking into account

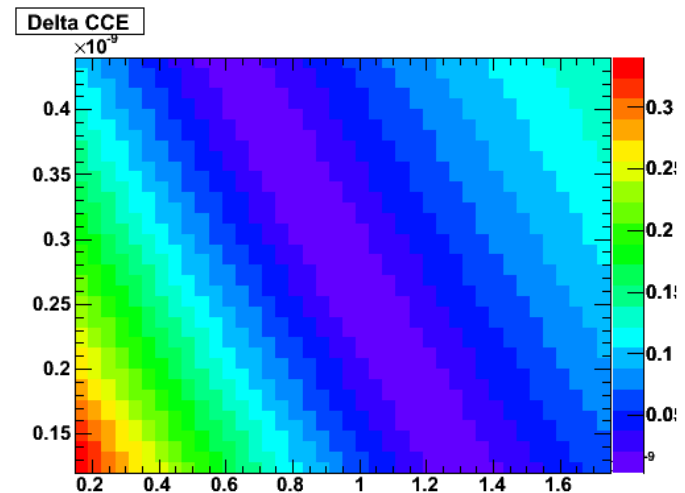
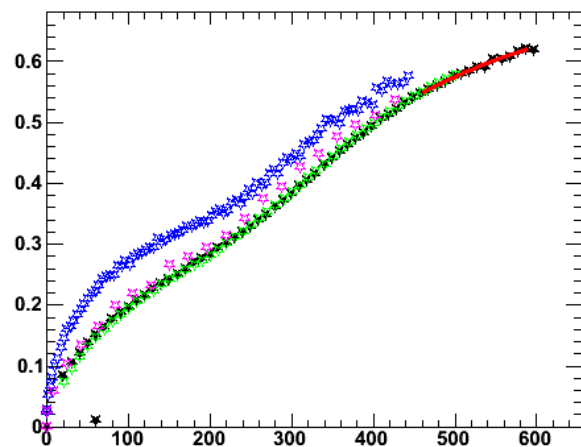
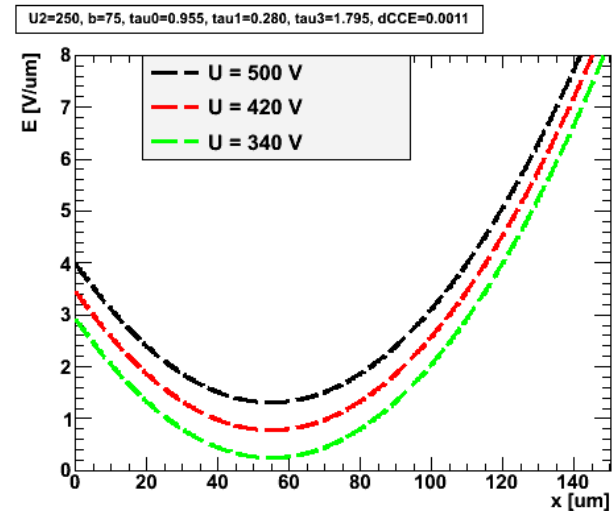
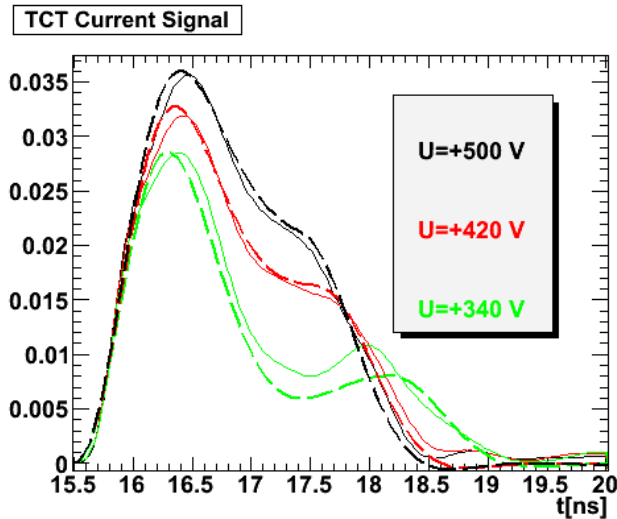
- distortions to the space charge distribution leading to **parabolic electric fields** (double peak)
- **field-dependence** of trapping time τ (to fit CCE curves)
- electronic **circuit effects** (to simulate TCT signals)

Trapping probability decreases with increasing E-field

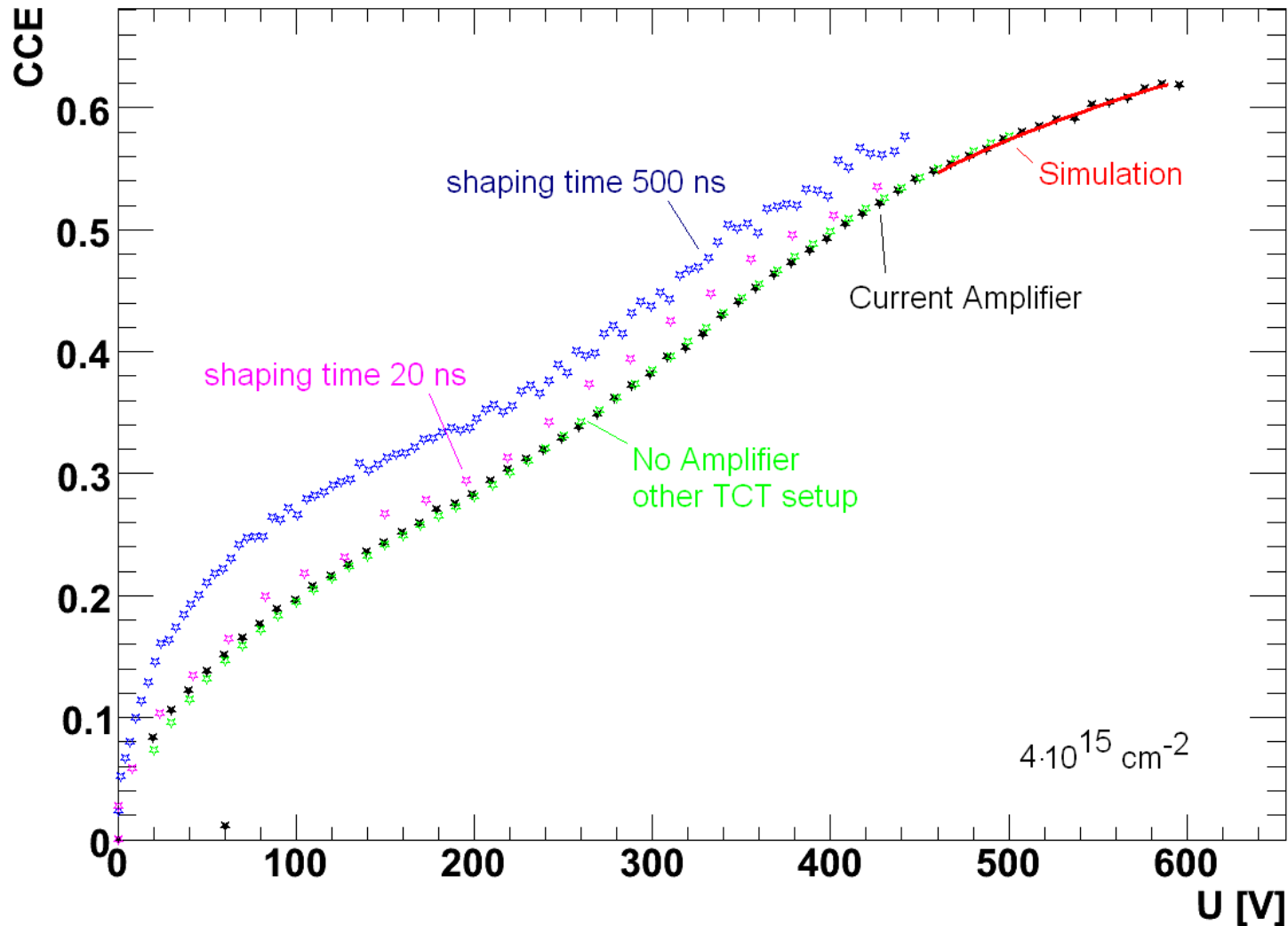
⇒ **high E-fields desirable** to reduce trapping probability

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Overview of $E(x)$, $I(t)$ and $CCE(U)$ for a $4 \cdot 10^{15}$ DO

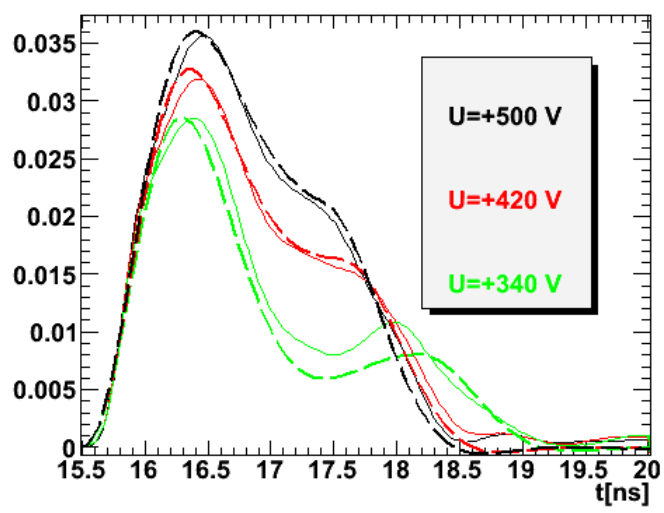


CCE-curves measured with different setups

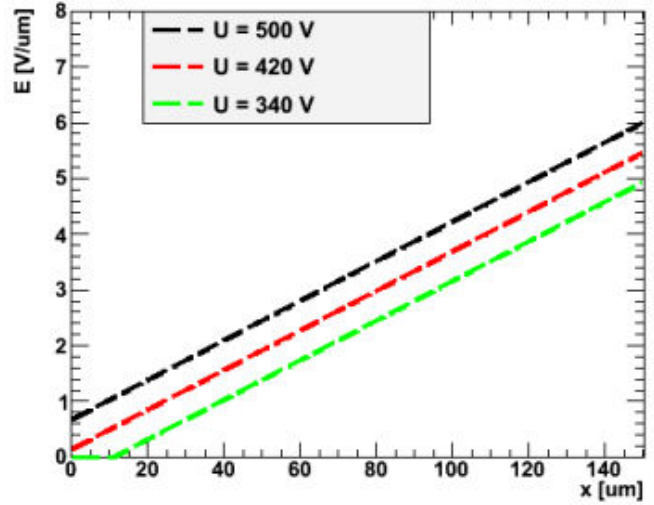
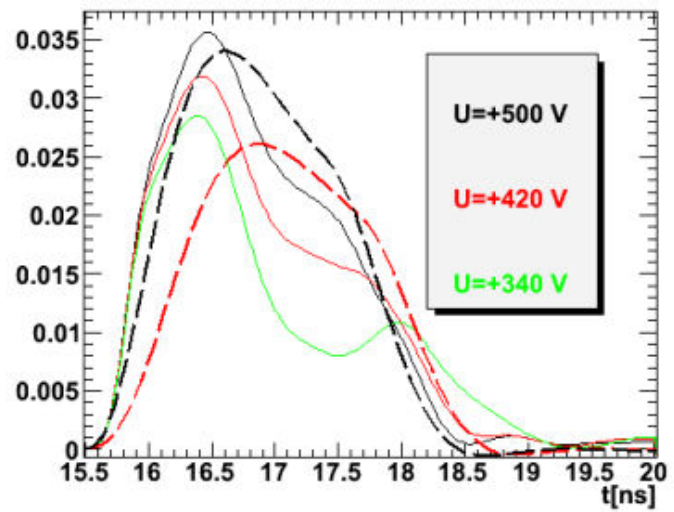
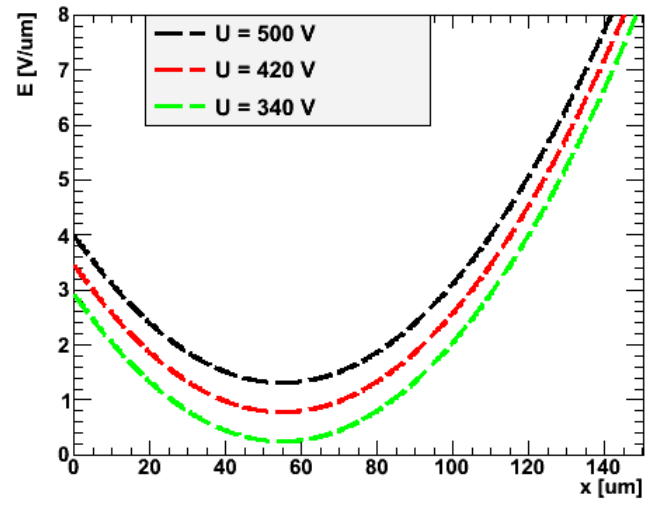


Parabolic and Linear Electric Field for $4 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ DO

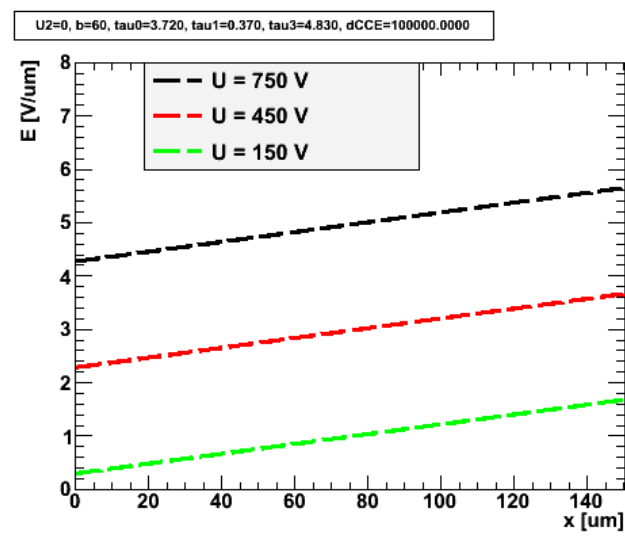
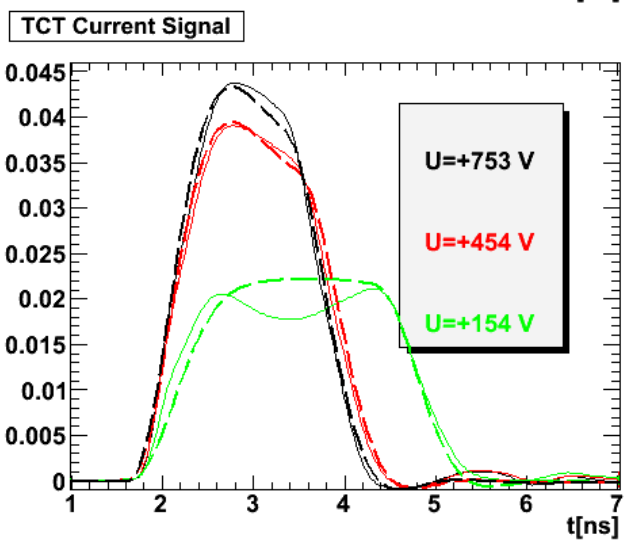
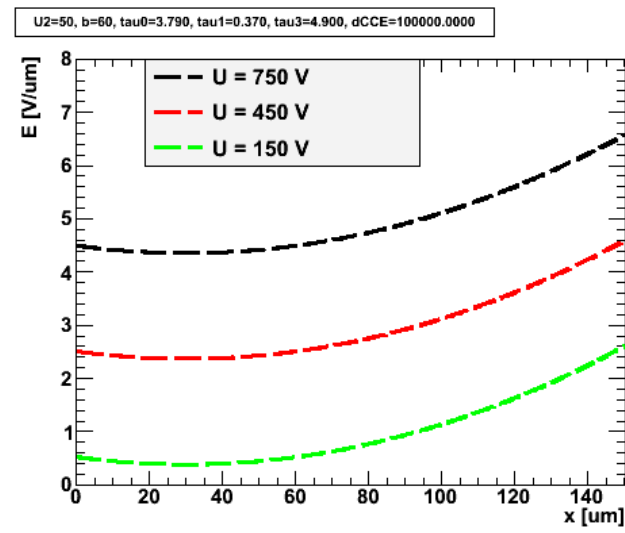
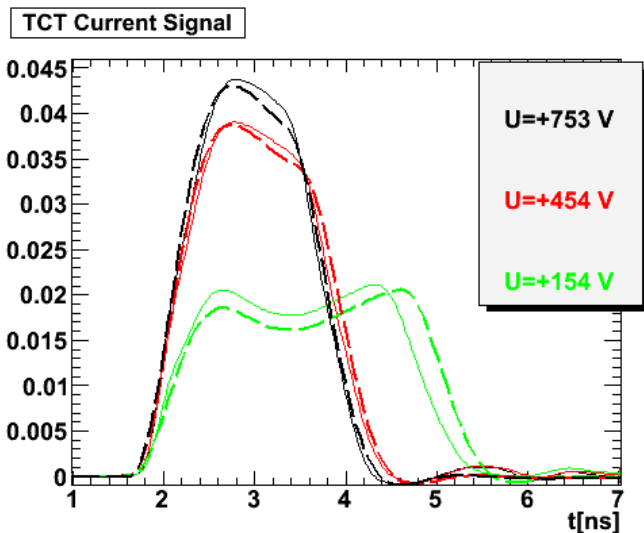
TCT Current Signal



$U_2=250, b=75, \tau_{a0}=0.955, \tau_{a1}=0.280, \tau_{a3}=1.795, dCCE=0.0011$



Parabolic and Linear Electric Field for $1 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ DO



Drift Velocity

$$v_{dr} = \frac{\mu_0 E}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{\mu_0 E}{v_{sat}}\right)^\beta\right)^{1/\beta}}$$

$$v_{sat} = 9.814 \cdot 10^4 \text{ m/s}$$

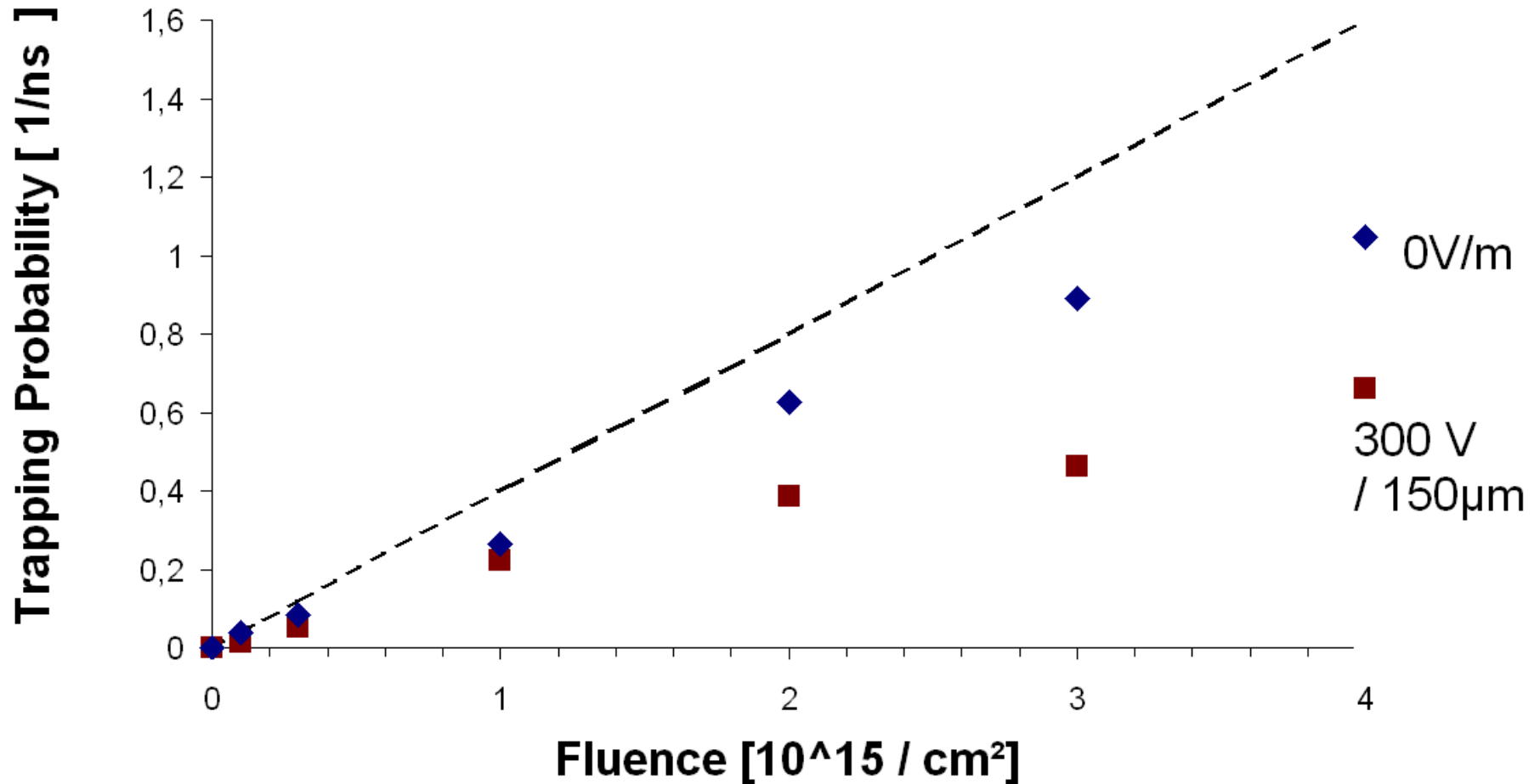
$$\mu_0 = 0.1447 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$$

$$\beta = 1.1073$$

(modified Jacoboni at 294 K)

TCT Signal of Unirradiated Diode

Trapping probability against fluence



Comparison of Different Models for $E(x)$ and τ

