

# Radiation Damage Effects on LGADs and Deep Diffused APDs

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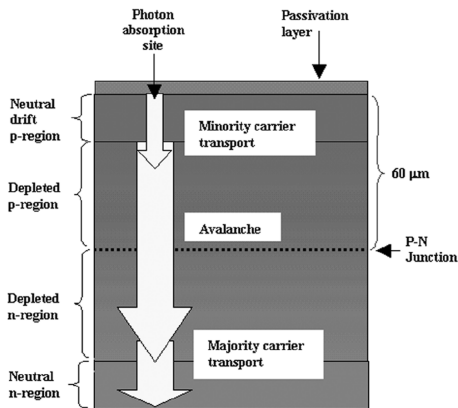
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# Deep Diffused Avalanche Photo Detectors

- Charge multiplication
- Gain:  $\approx 500$
- Bias:  $\approx 1800$  V
- Never fully depleted
- Die dimensions:  $2.8 \times 2.8$  mm<sup>2</sup>
- Nominal active area:  $2 \times 2$  mm<sup>2</sup>
- Thickness: 230 – 280  $\mu$ m
- Custom fabrication process
- Produced by Radiation Monitoring Devices (RMD)

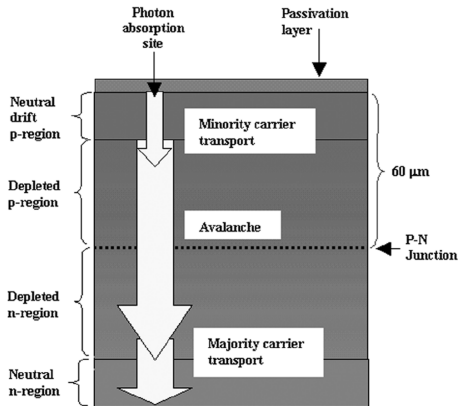
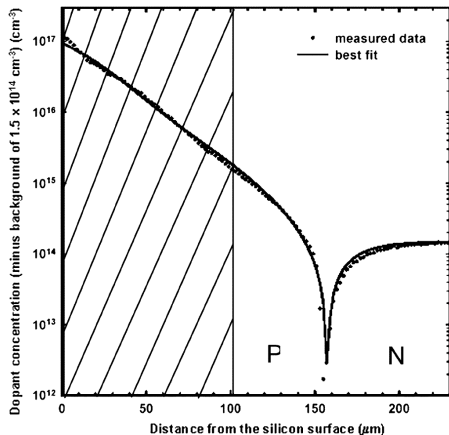


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Doping profile



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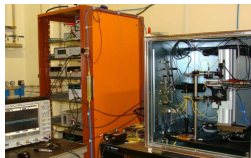
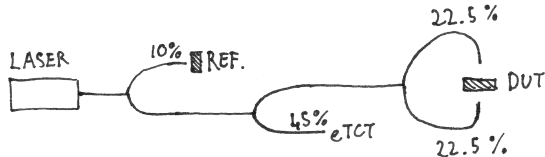
# Sensors

$2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$  APDs

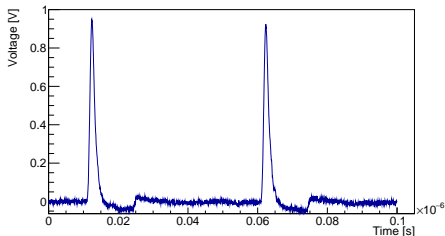
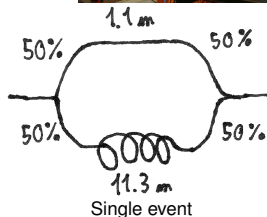


- Packaged
- Irradiated in Ljubljana (reactor neutrons)
- $\Phi_{eq} = 0,3 \cdot 10^{13}, 6 \cdot 10^{13}, 3 \cdot 10^{14}, 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Annealing of  $\approx 70 \text{ min @ } 21^\circ\text{C}$
- Sensor irradiated to  $\Phi_{eq} = 3 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  is quite unstable  
⇒ no timing measurements

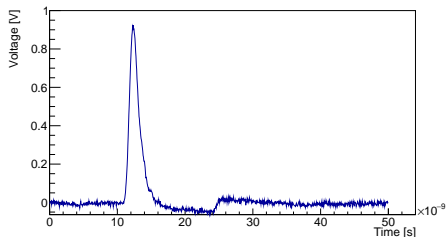
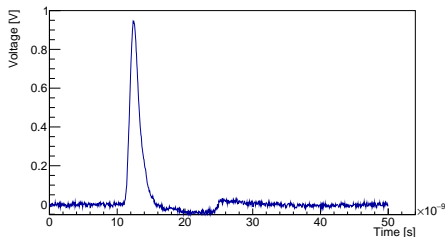
# CERN SSD TCT Setup for Timing Measurements



- Pulsed 1060 nm IR laser  
200 ps FWHM
- **0.8 MIPs** intensity  
1 MIP := 74 eh/ $\mu\text{m}$   
(Without reflections)
- 50 ns delay line between laser  
and first splitter
- $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$  APD, non-irradiated
- 1745 V, 20°C
- 40 dB, 2 kV Cividec amplifier
- Amplitude difference  
of less than 5 %

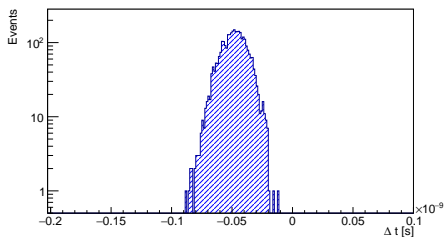


# Analysis ( $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ non-irradiated APD)



CFD: Thr1 0.30, Thr2 0.35,  $\sigma = 10.65 \pm 0.14$  ps, 3000 events

- Divide waveform in two parts
- Apply different thresholds to estimate time difference
- Select best threshold combination to minimize std. dev.

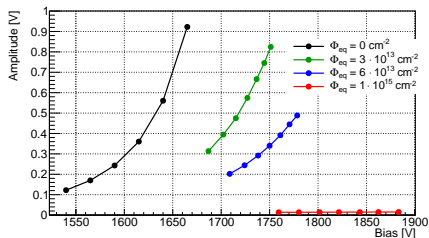


Divide std. dev. by  $\sqrt{2}$  to get single pulse resolution:  $7.5 \pm 0.1$  ps

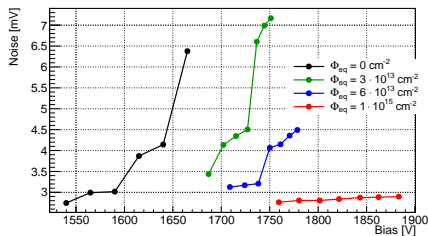
**No timing reference needed**

# N-irradiated $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ APDs, $-20^\circ\text{C}$ , 0.8 MIPs

## Amplitude



## Noise

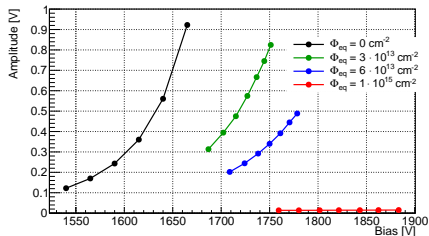


- Both dominated by multiplication
- $\Phi_{eq} \leq 6 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : amplitude is restored by applying bias  
Here current limit of  $10 \mu\text{A}$  is hit
- $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : low or no multiplication

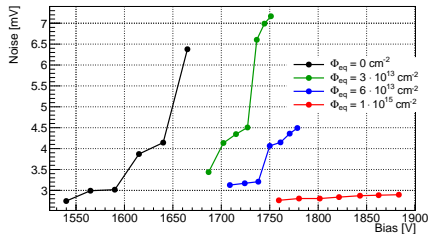


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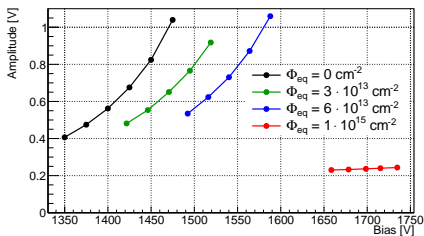
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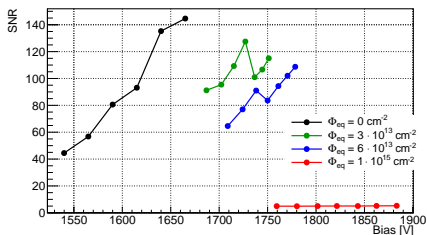


## Amplitude, same detectors, 15 MIPs

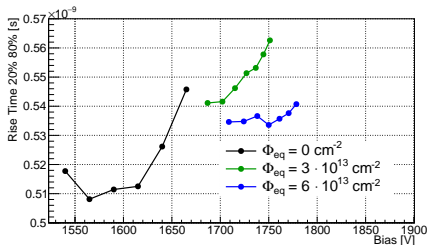


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## SNR



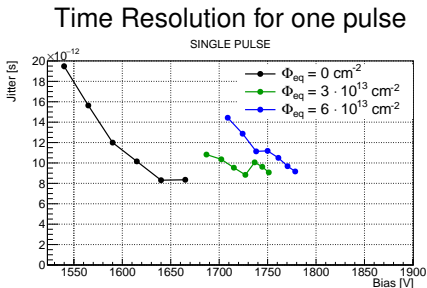
## Rise Time 20% 80%



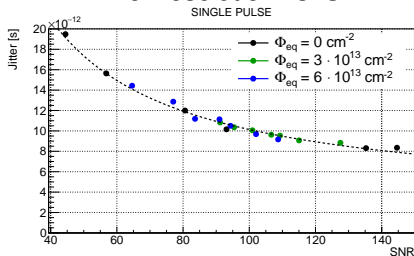
- Non-monotone function of bias voltage

- $\Phi_{eq} \leq 6 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ :  
 $\approx 550 \text{ ps}$ , all points within 11%
- $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ :  
around 5.1-5.3 ns, influenced by low SNR

# Time Resolution for one pulse



# Time Resolution vs. SNR



- Obtained by dividing the 2 pulses std. dev. by  $\sqrt{2}$
- $\Phi_{eq} \leq 6 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : 8 – 10 ps
- $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : around 508-553 ps, low SNR

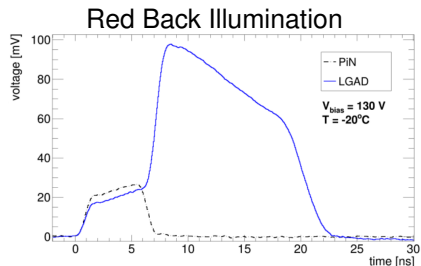
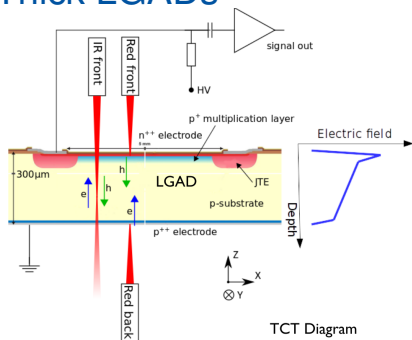
- Time resolution scales with  $1/\text{SNR}$

## “Dark pulses”

“Dark pulses” with a frequency of  $\approx 3 \text{ MHz}$  are observed at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ , 1700 V for the sensor irradiated to  $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ .

# Radiation Effects in 285 $\mu\text{m}$ Thick LGADs

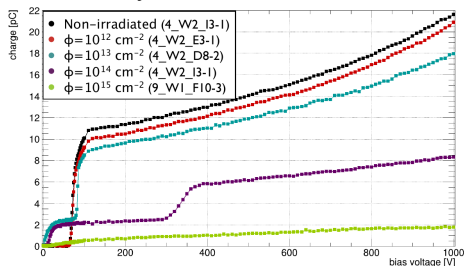
- CNM run 7859
- Thickness: 285  $\mu\text{m}$
- Area:  $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$
- Multiplication layer dose: 1.8 and  $2.0 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- $I < 0.3 \mu\text{A}$  @  $20^\circ\text{C}$ , full depletion
- Irradiated with 24 GeV/c protons
- Initial annealing: 80 min at  $60^\circ\text{C}$



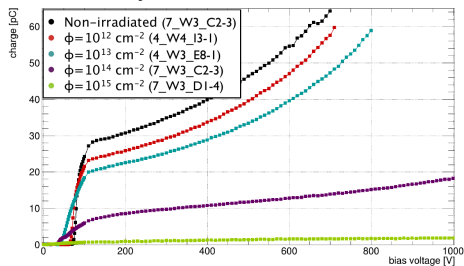
# Charge Collection from “Red Back” Illumination

$\lambda = 660 \text{ nm}$ , 25 ns integration time,  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  80 min @  $60^\circ\text{C}$

Mult. layer dose  $1.8 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



Mult. layer dose  $2.0 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

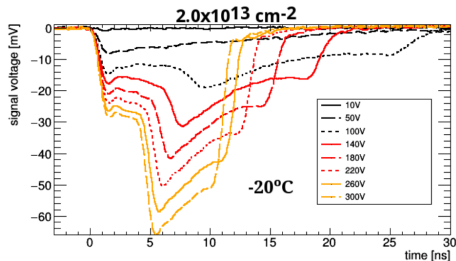
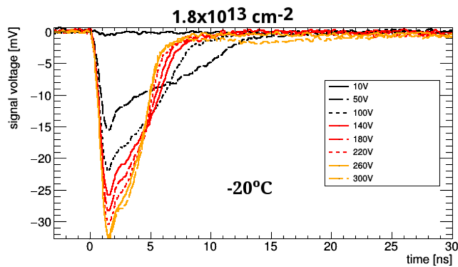


- Charge collection reduced by irradiation
- Two “steps” present in the  $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{13}, 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  curves for mult. layer dose  $1.8 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the shape indicates that the depletion starts from the back of the detector

The sensors irradiated to  $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  were studied further.

S. Otero Ugobono, VERTEX 2017

# Waveforms “Red Back” Illumination $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



The depletion region develops from the back of the device before the effects of multiplication can be seen in the collected charge.

**This can influence the measurement of the effective doping of the multiplication layer after irradiation.**

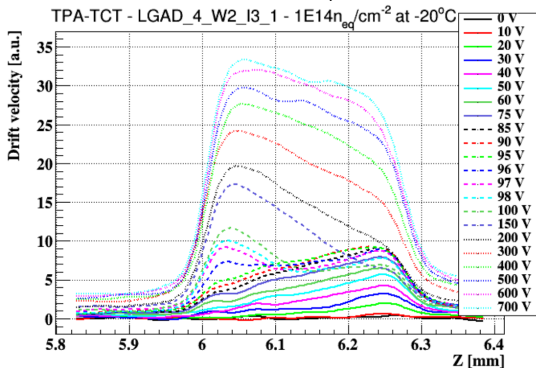
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# Two Photons Absorption TCT

For details about this technique, see talk from M. Fernandez Garcia.

- Point-like generation of charge carriers
- Generation point moved along detector thickness

Mult. layer dose  $1.8 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ,  $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ,  $T = -20^\circ\text{C}$

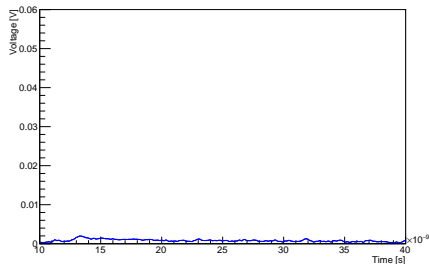
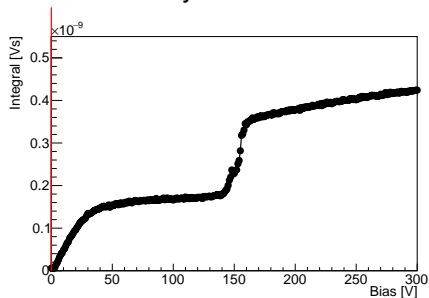


- Electric field develops from the back side until  $\approx 95 \text{ V}$
- Afterwards, the field starts to increase from the front of the detector

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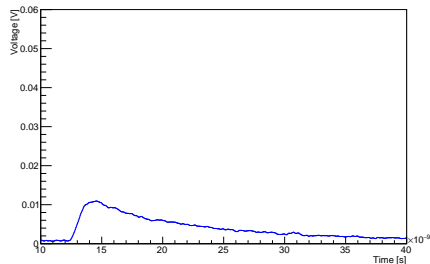
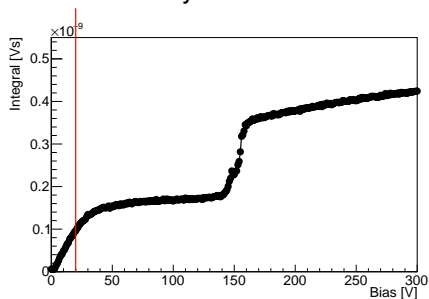
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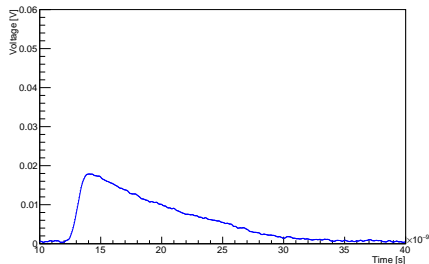
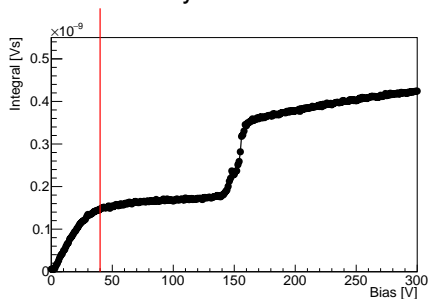
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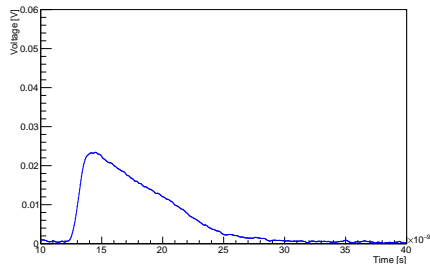
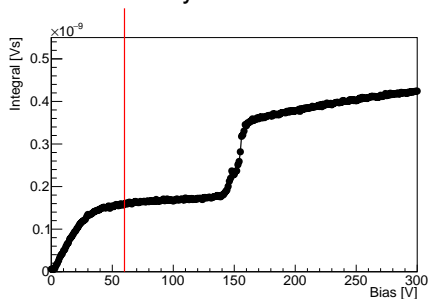
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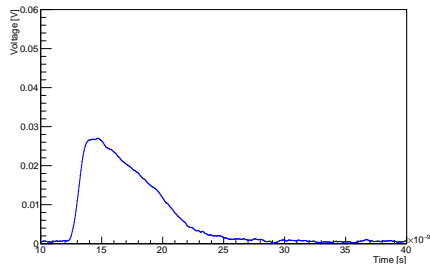
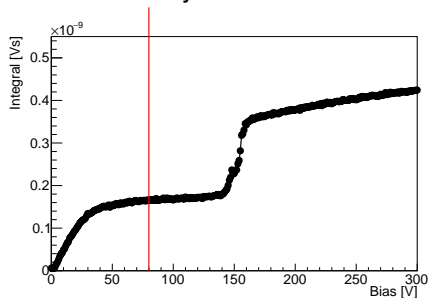
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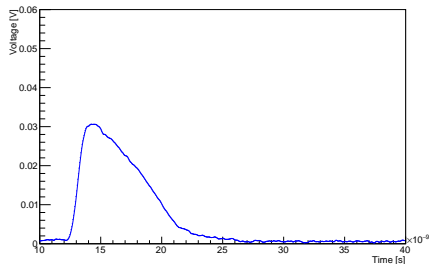
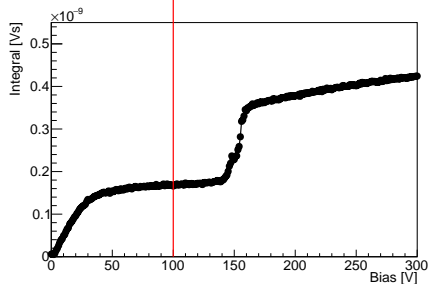
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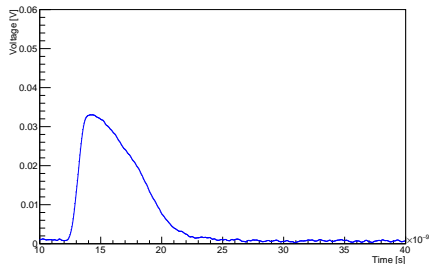
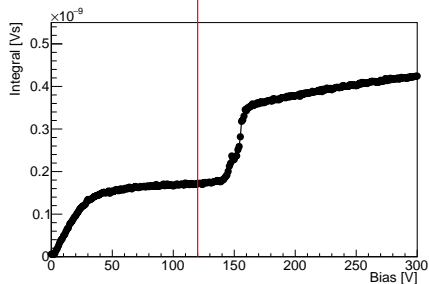
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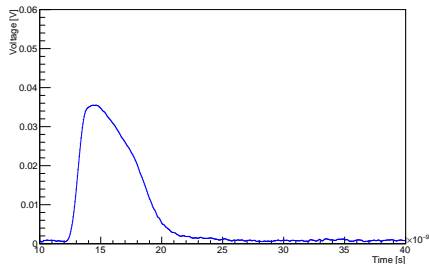
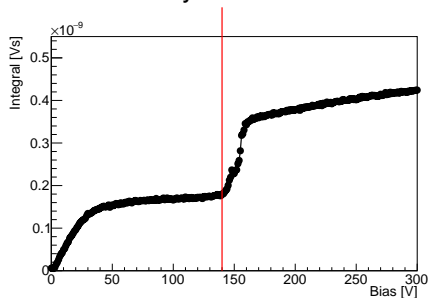
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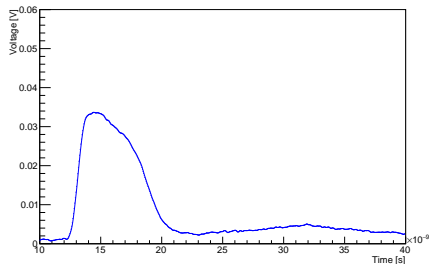
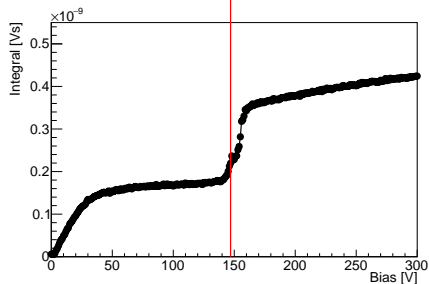
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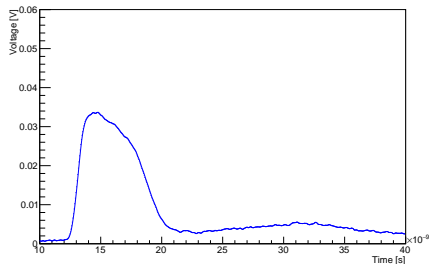
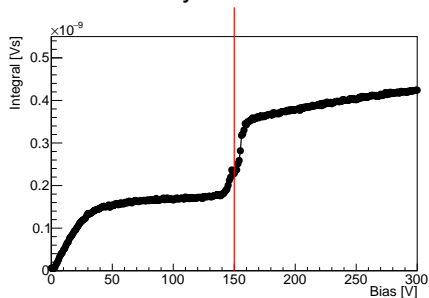
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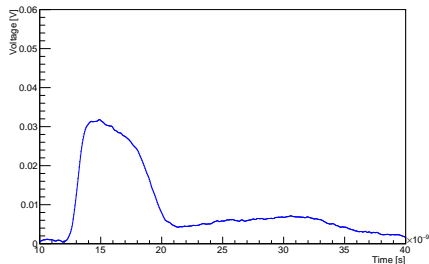
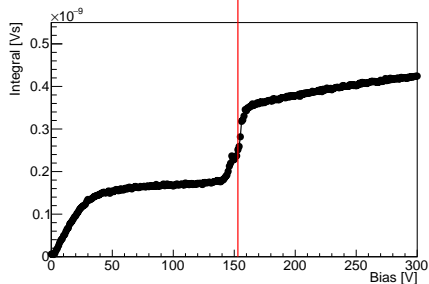
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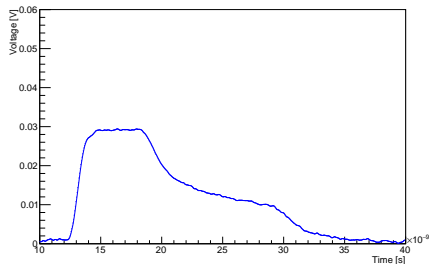
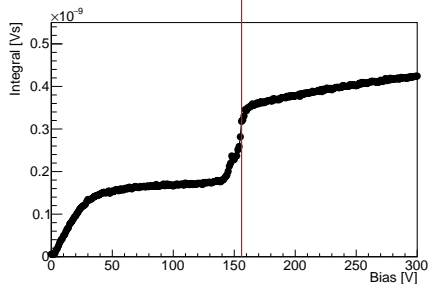
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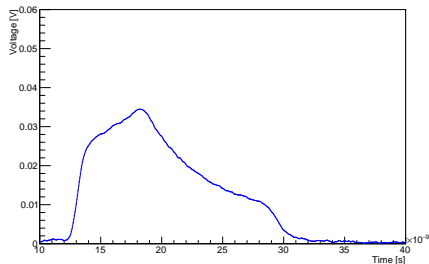
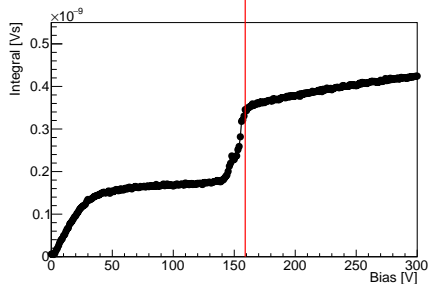
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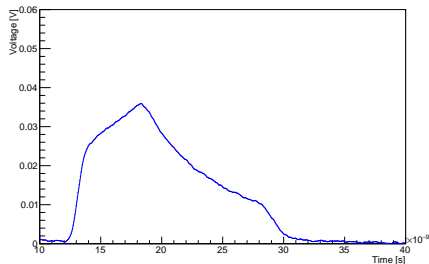
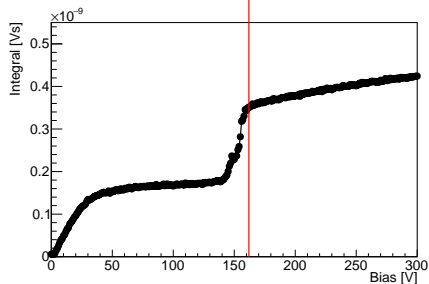
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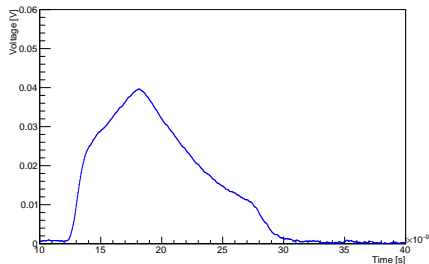
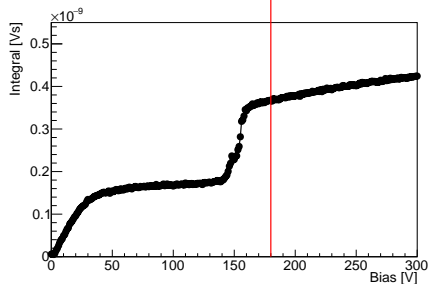
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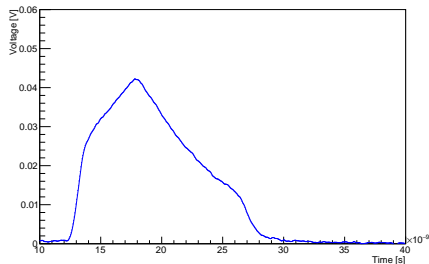
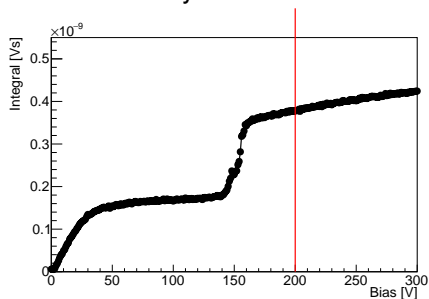
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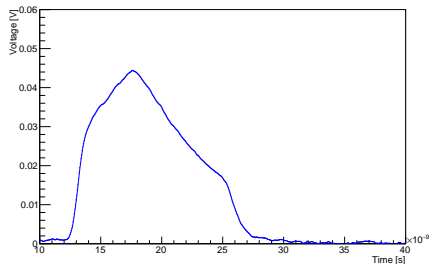
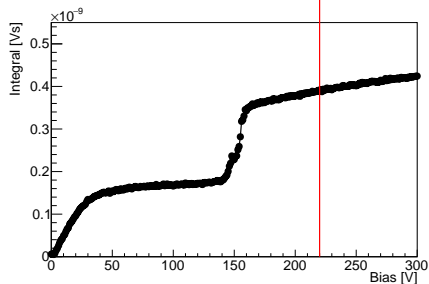
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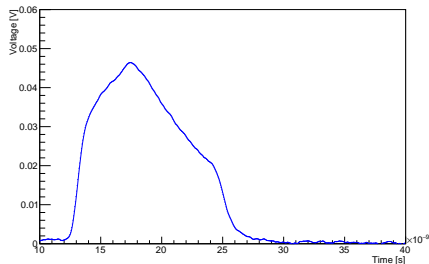
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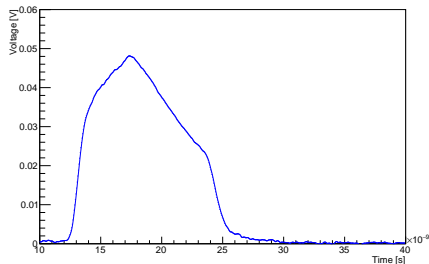
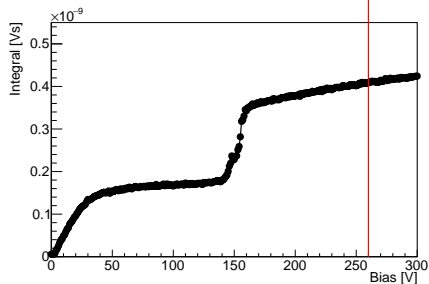
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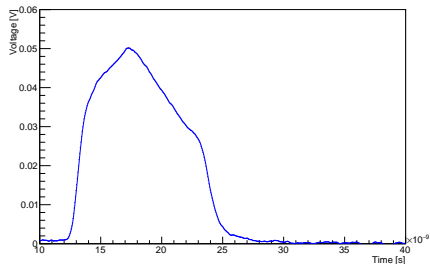
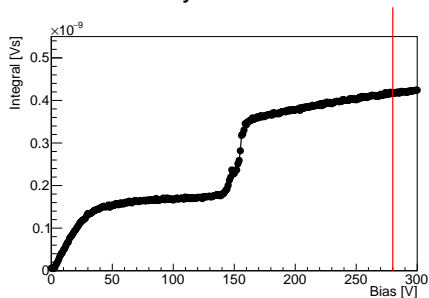
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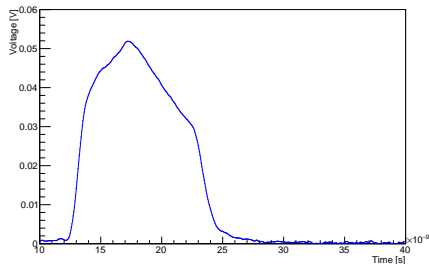
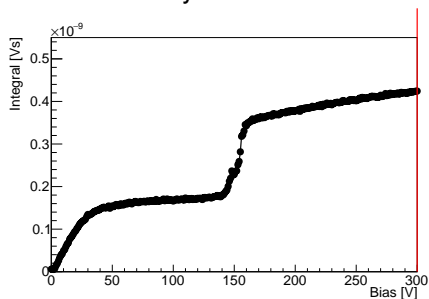
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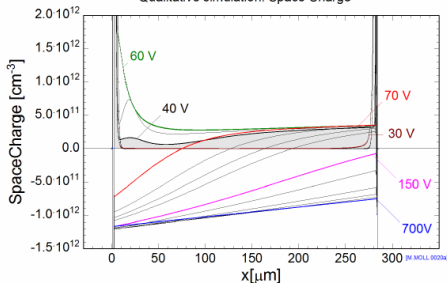
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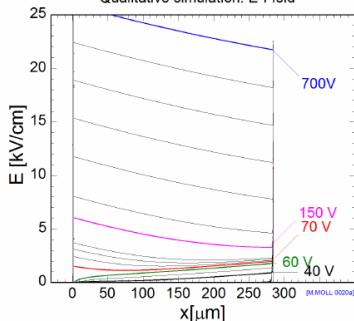


# Qualitative Simulation

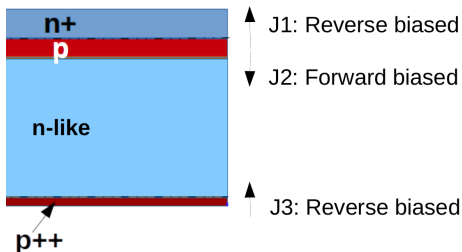
Qualitative simulation: Space Charge



Qualitative simulation: E-Field



## Triple junction



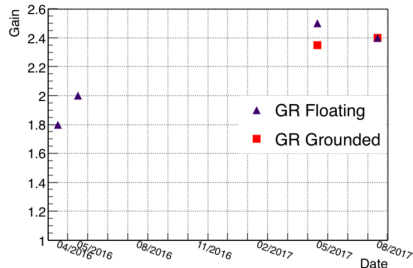
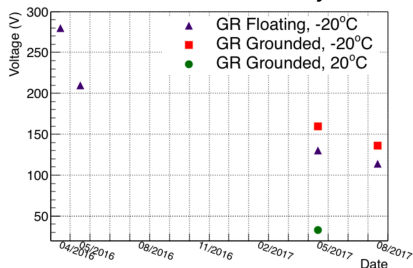
- Qualitative TCAD simulation can reproduce the features of the measurements
- The model and observations suggest the presence of three junctions

Further studies are needed.

# Annealing Effects on $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ Samples

Room temperature annealing due to measurements and samples handling

Mult. layer dose  $1.8 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ,  $-20^\circ\text{C}$



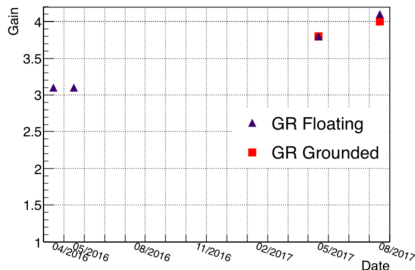
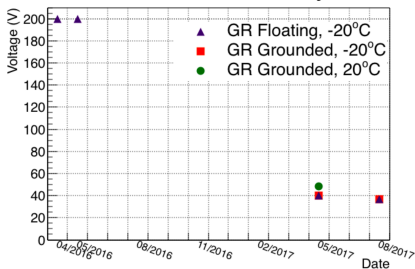
- Multiplication onset voltage (red front illumination) decreases with annealing
- Gain at 400 V (defined using PiN diodes) increases with annealing
- Both mult. layer doses show similar results
- Strong dependence on annealing, origin to be understood

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# Annealing Effects on $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ Samples

Room temperature annealing due to measurements and samples handling

Mult. layer dose  $2.0 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ,  $-20^\circ\text{C}$



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# Summary & Outlook

- Measured time resolution of neutron irradiated  $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$  APDs
- Performance at det. center not degraded by neutron irradiation of at least  $\Phi_{eq} = 6 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2} \Rightarrow \sigma_t = 8 - 10 \text{ ps @ } 0.8 \text{ MIPs}$
- $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : very low or no gain, “dark pulses” are observed
  
- Studied the properties of proton irradiated  $285 \mu\text{m}$  thick LGADs
- In some cases the electric field develops from the back of the detector
- The measurements suggest the presence of three junctions in the detectors

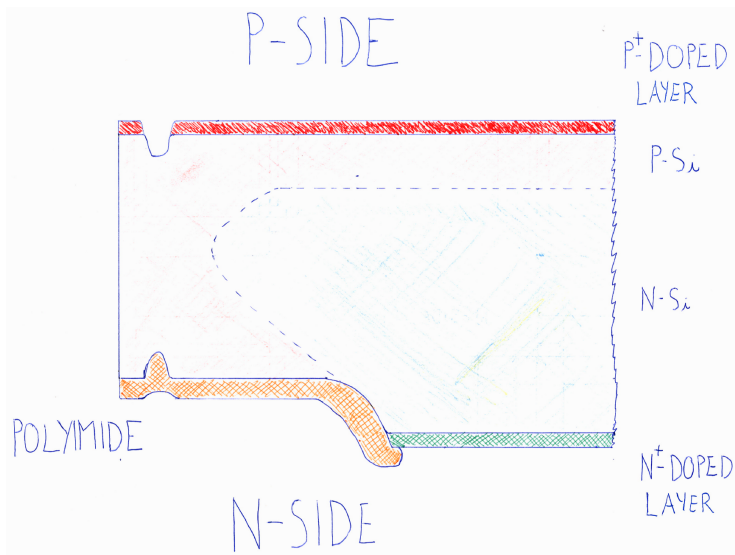
## Outlook:

- New APD irradiation to explore region  $6 \cdot 10^{13} \leq \Phi_{eq} \leq 7 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Characterization of irradiated LGADs from CNM run 8622 and CNM run 10478  $50 \mu\text{m}$  thick quad-diodes.  
Irradiation with 24 GeV/c protons is completed
- Extend study of annealing effects



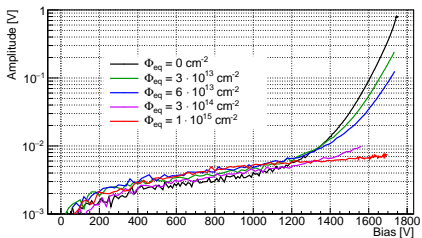
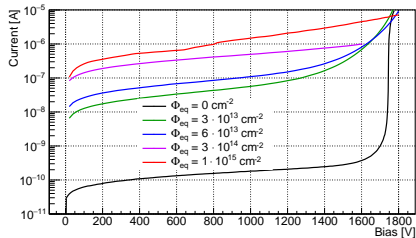
# Backup Material

# APD Section (not to scale)



# IV and Signal Amplitude $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ APDs

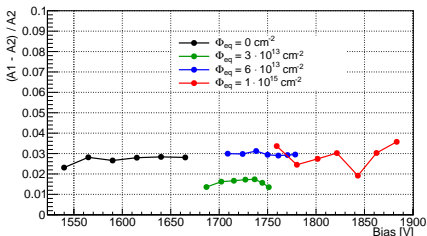
$T = -20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\lambda = 1060 \text{ nm}$ , **15 MIPs** equivalent intensity,  
10 dB amplification, 256 averages in the scope



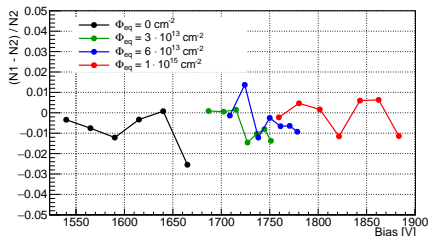
- Increase in bulk generation current
- Reduction of gain

# Difference Pulses $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ APDs

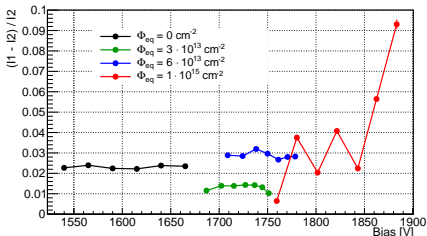
Amplitude



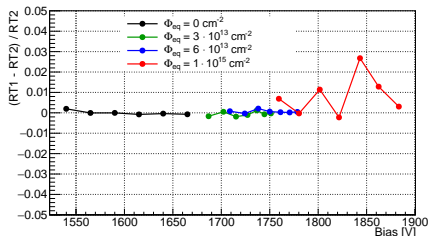
Noise



Integral



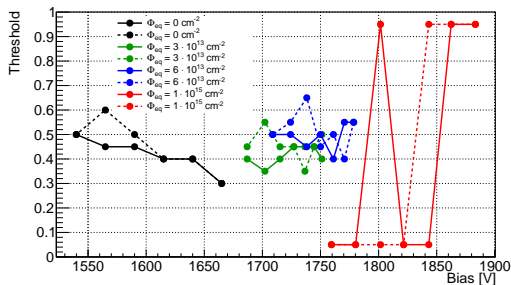
Rise Time 20% 80%



Data for  $\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  influenced by low SNR

Properties of pulses equal within 5 %

# Thresholds $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$ APDs



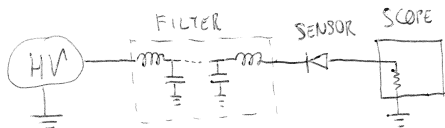
Continuous line: first pulse, Dashed: second pulse

Similar values, difference due to statistical fluctuations of the  $\Delta t$  std. dev.

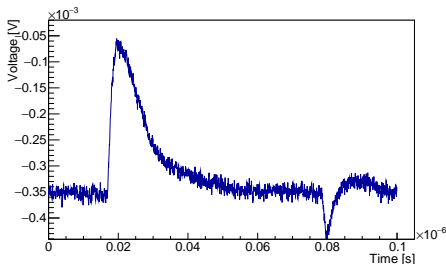
$\Phi_{eq} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ : jumps due to low SNR

# Calibration IR back TCT+, without Amplifier

- 100  $\mu\text{m}$  p-type FZ sensor,  $V_{dep} \approx 2\text{ V}$
- 5 V bias from sensor back
- Long bias cable to avoid reflections
- 1024 averages in scope
- 20 repetitions
- Integrate (15 - 70) ns
- Intensity varied using shutter



20 mV amplitude on ref. photodiode



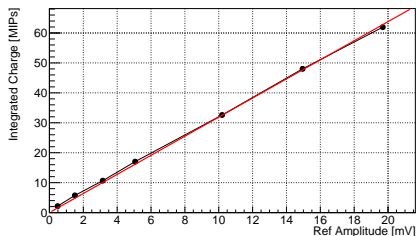
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Fit:  $y = ax$

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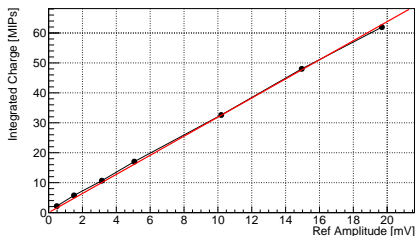
IR Back on 92  $\mu\text{m}$  Detector, 1 MIP = 6808 eh pairs



$3.189 \pm 0.007$  MIPs/mV

## With amplifier

IR Back on 92  $\mu\text{m}$  Detector, 1 MIP = 6808 eh pairs



$3.1113 \pm 0.0009$  MIPs/mV  
(No error due to ampli gain measurement considered)

Results in agreement within 3 %

**3.2 MIPs/mV**

Also, the calibration of the ampli worked fine.

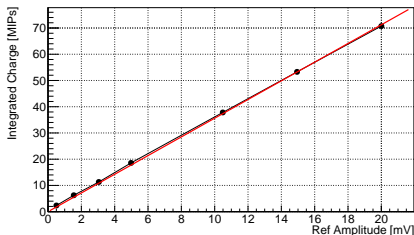
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$3.562 \pm 0.006$  MIPs/mV

**3.6 MIPs/mV**

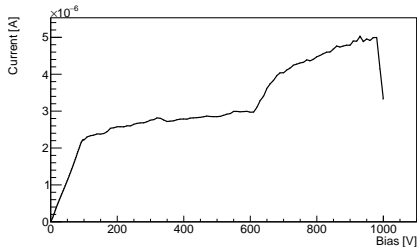
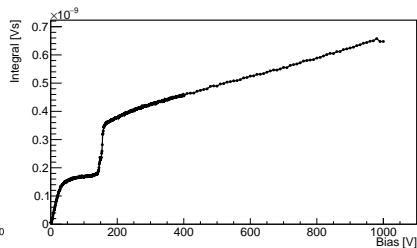
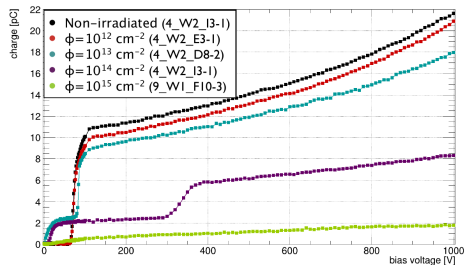
12 % difference with respect to IR back



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(Right): IV from 28.04.2017, TCT from 12.05.2017