

Pixel Imaging Mass Spectroscopy (PImMS)

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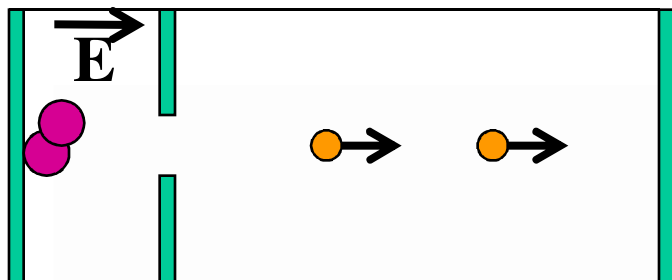
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Outline

- Mass Spectrometry and Ion Imaging
- Pixel Imaging MS
- PImMS Sensor

Introduction: Mass Spectrometry

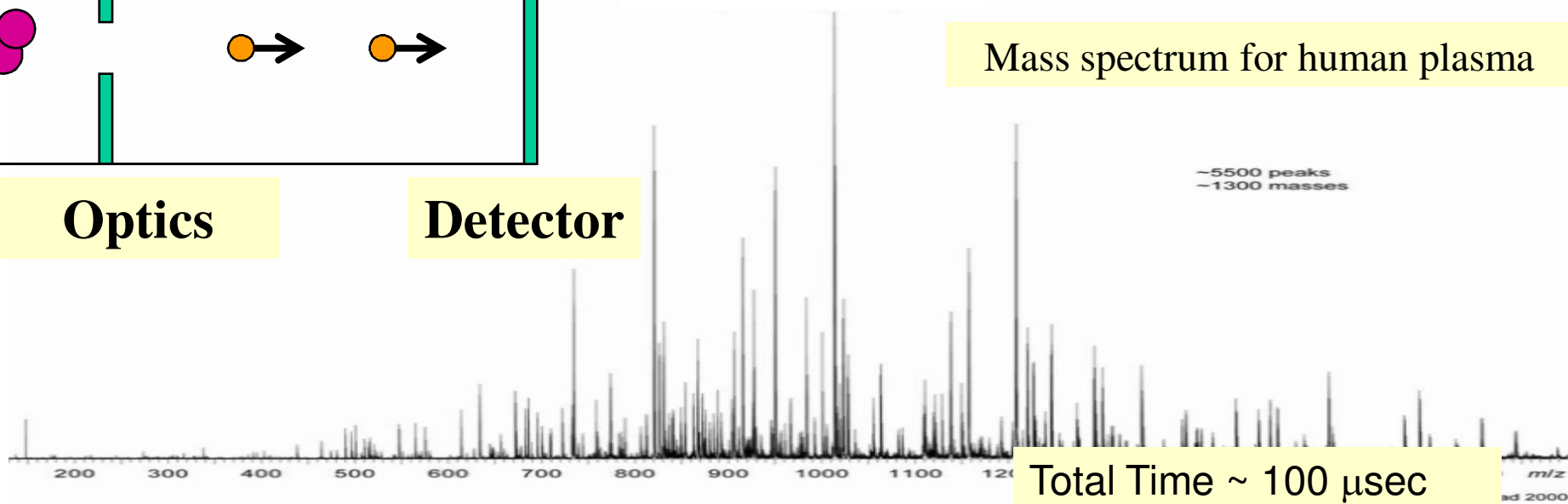
- Mass spectrometry: very popular tool in chemistry, biology, pharmaceutical industry etc.
- TOF MS: Heavier fragments fly slower



Optics

Detector

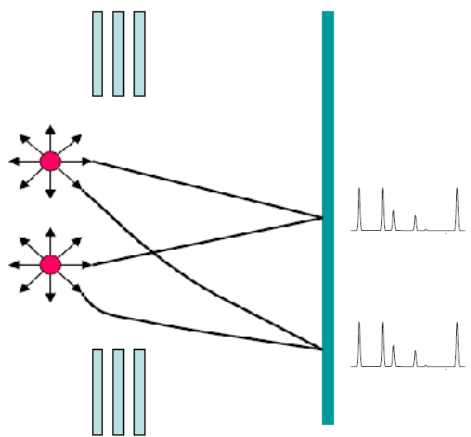
Mass spectrum for human plasma



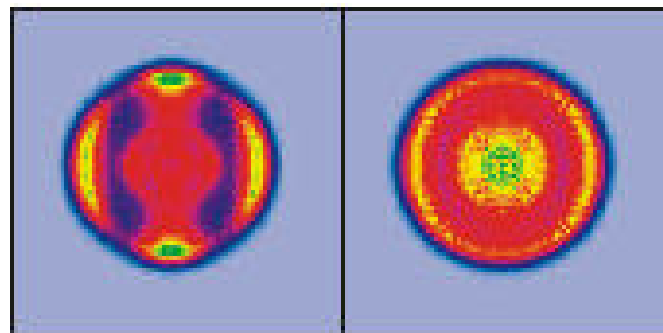
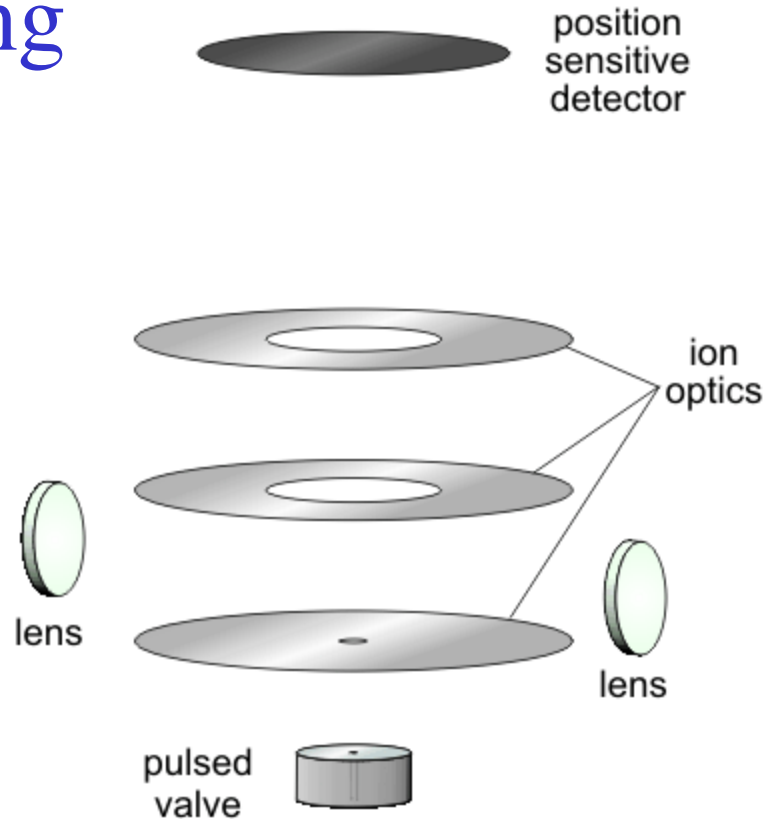
- Measure detector current: limited to one dimension
- Ion imaging : go beyond 1D by providing 3D information for each mass peak

Ion Imaging

- Fix a mass peak
- Measure full scattering distribution of fragment ions
 - Velocity mapping
 - Different fragmentation processes give the ions specific speed and angular distributions



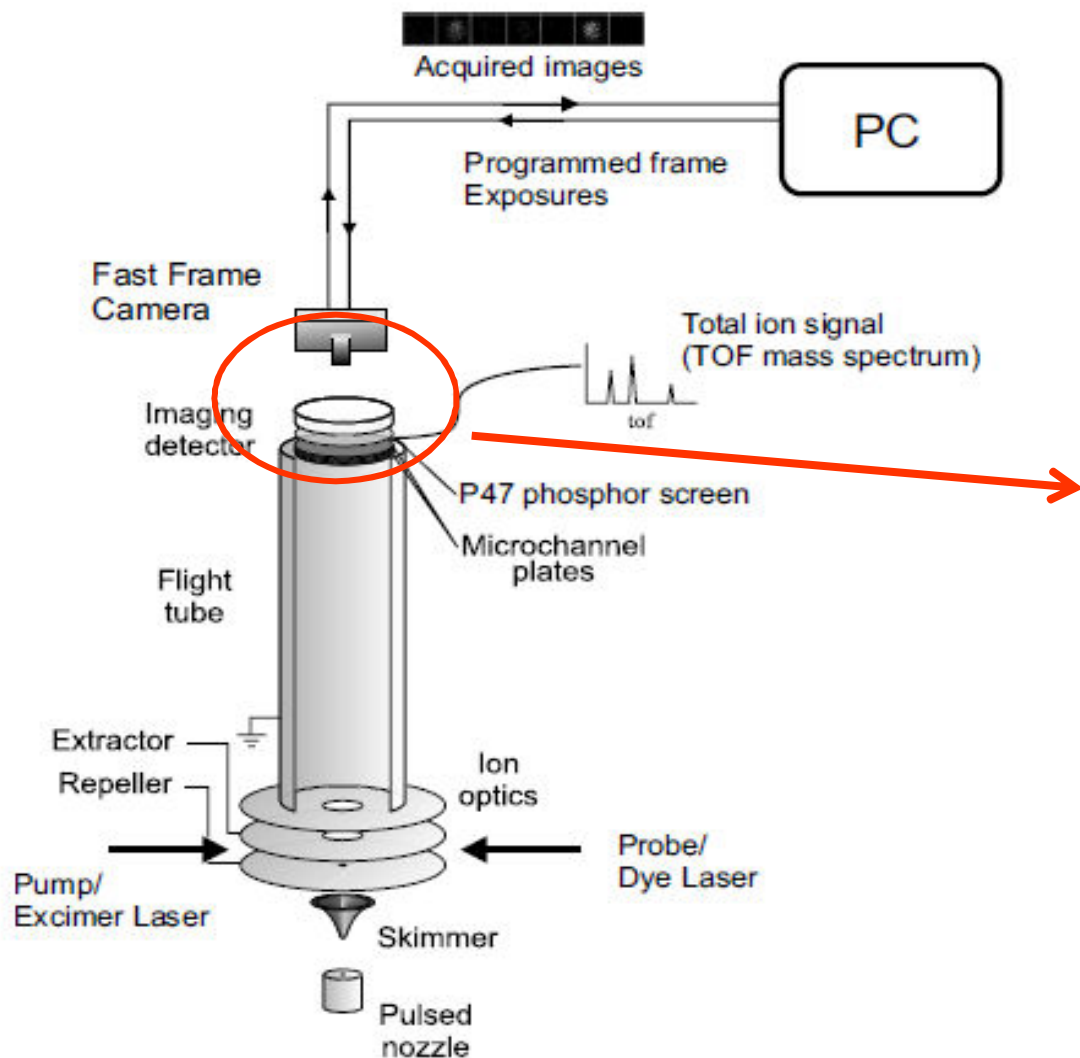
Velocity mapping



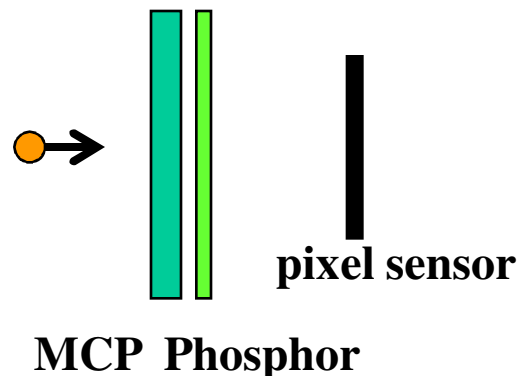
S atom ion images for OCS photodissociation at 248nm

Visible Light vs Direct Detection

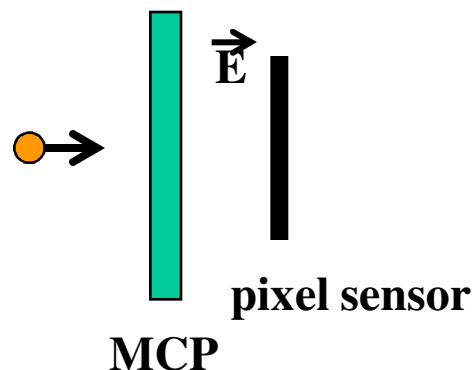
- Typically use visible light but direct detection of electrons after MCP is possible



Visible light detection



Electron detection



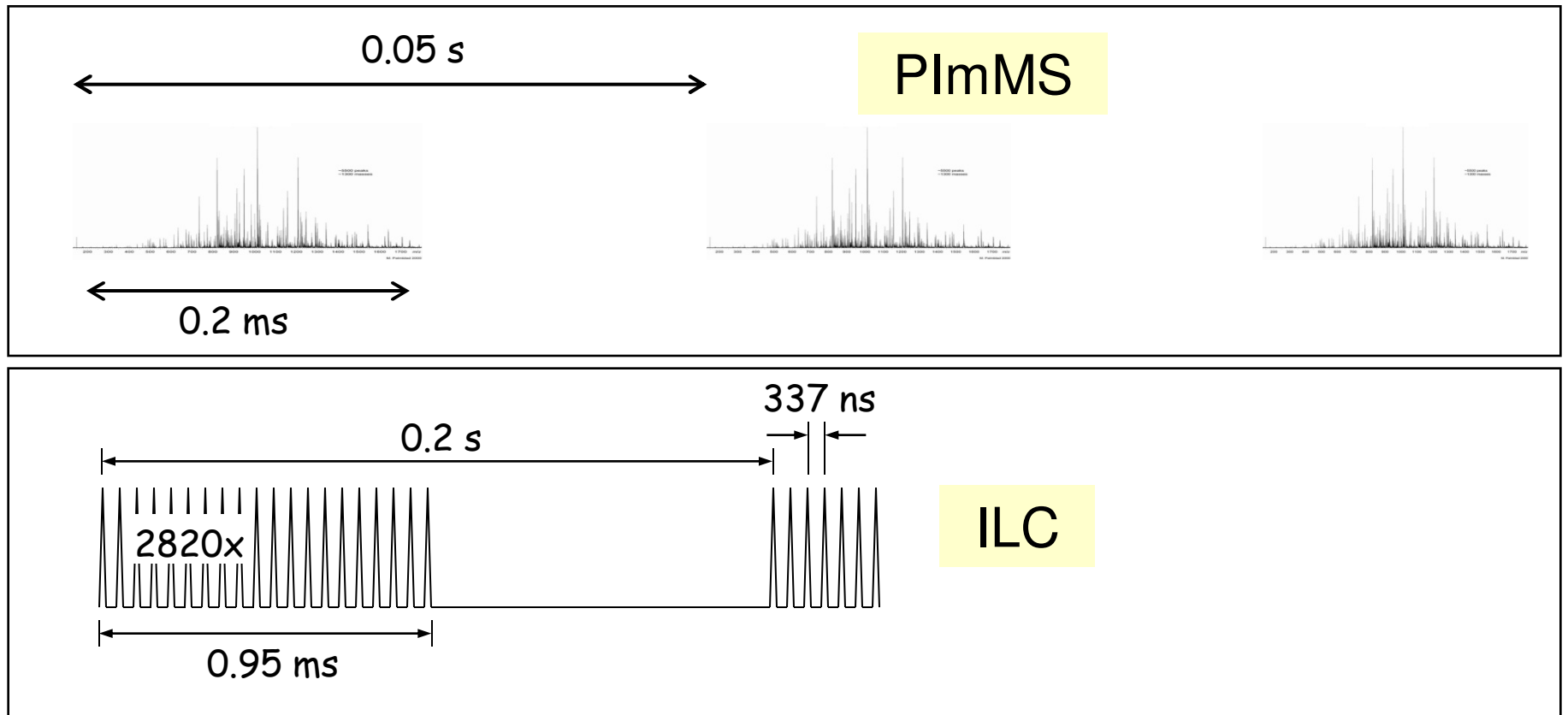
Pixel Imaging Mass Spec: PImMS

PImMS = Mass Spectroscopy X Ion Imaging

- Recent progress in silicon technologies: fast pixel detectors overcome the single mass peak limitation
- Direct spin-off of ILC sensor work, pixel design inspired by TPAC (DECAL MAPS sensor)
- Now a 3-year knowledge exchange project funded by STFC to build a fast camera for mass spec applications

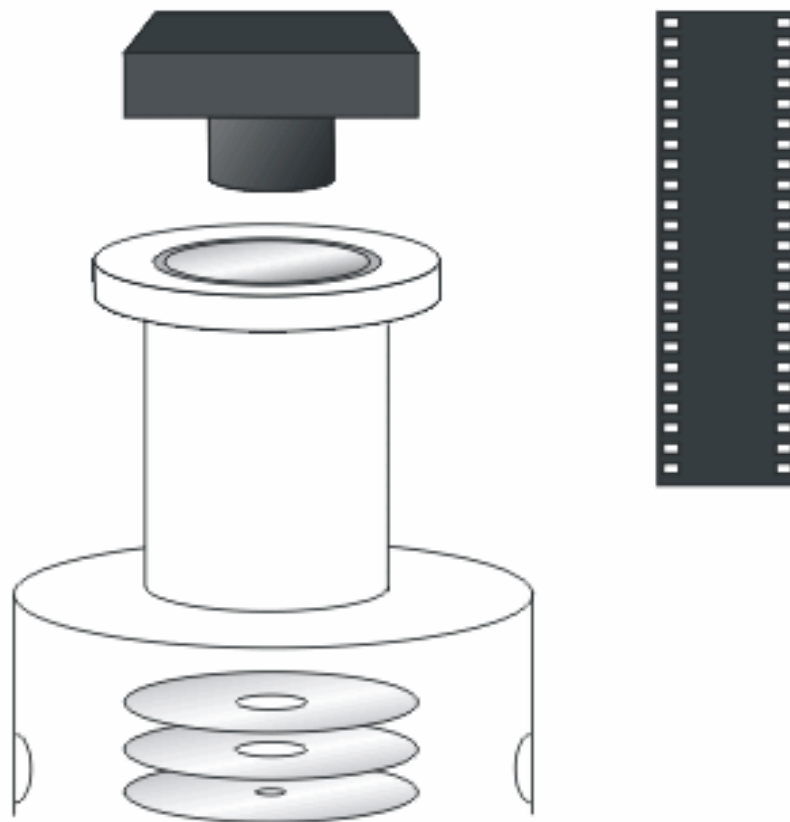
ILC and PImMS

- PImMS and ILC have similar data structure
 - ◆ PImMS : 0.2 ms duration @ 20 Hz
 - ◆ ILC: 1.0 ms duration @ 5 Hz
 - ◆ Time resolution required: ~100 ns for similar occupancy



Pixel Imaging Mass Spec: PImMS

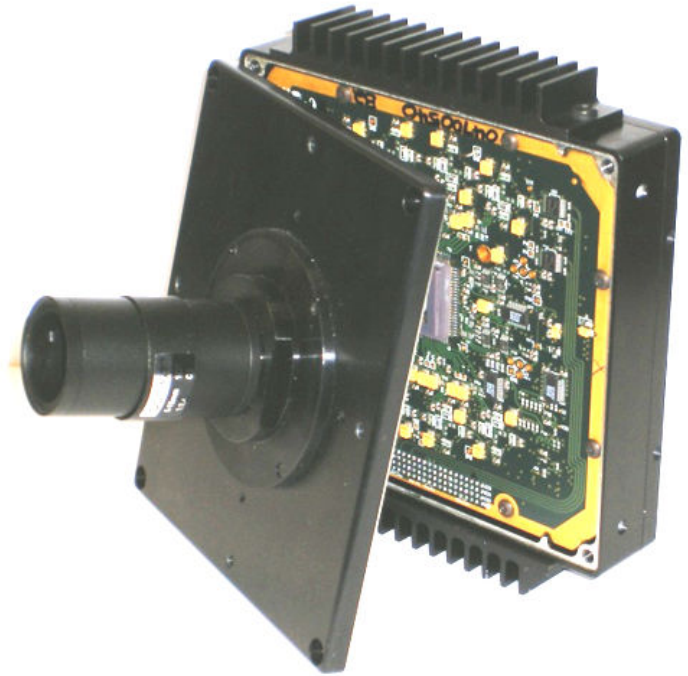
- Imaging of multiple masses in a single acquisition
- Gives access to new information, provides scope for a range of new techniques
- Mass resolution determined by flight tube, phosphor decay time and camera speed



Fast Framing CCD Camera

Technology currently in use in our lab:

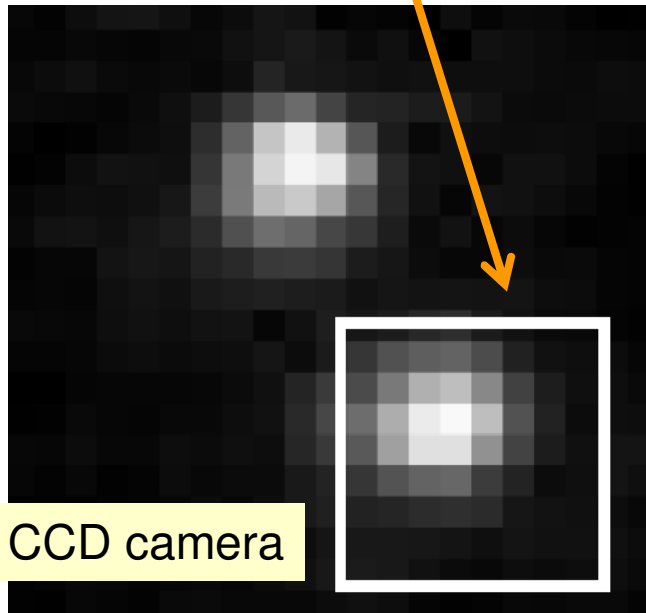
- ◆ **CCD camera by DALSA (ZE-40-04K07)**
 - ▲ 16 sequential images at 64x64 resolution
 - ▲ Pixel : 100 x 100 sq.micron
 - ▲ Max frame rate 100 MHz (!)
- ◆ **ISIS Principle: local storage of charge in a CCD register at imaging pixel level**
- ◆ **Limitations**
 - ▲ **Number of frames**
 - ▲ Images between mass peaks are not useful



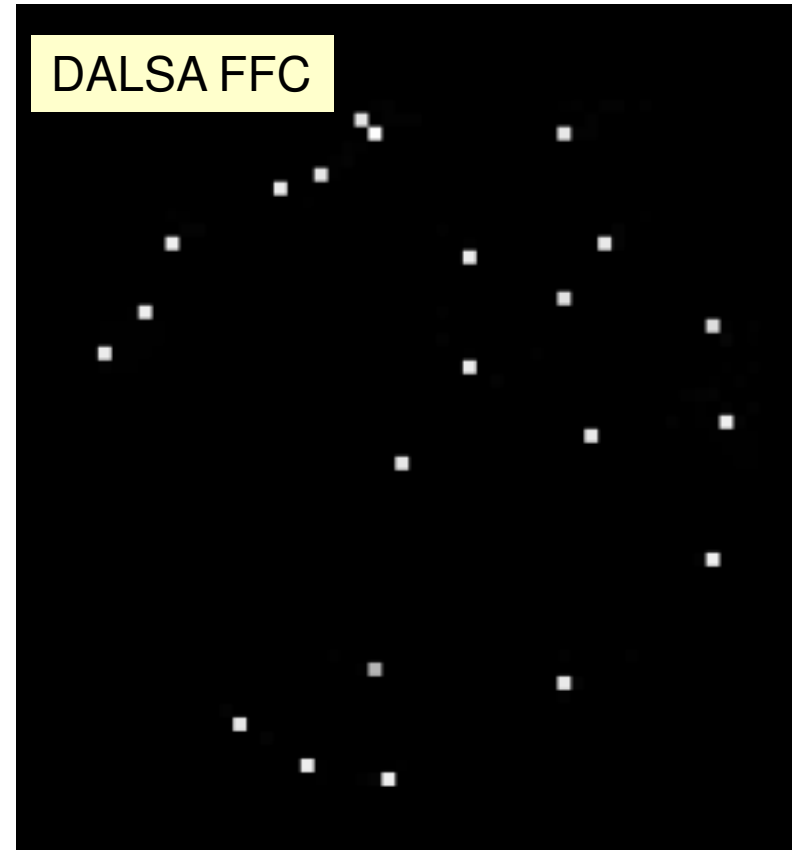
Fast framing camera currently in use

Data with DALSA FFC

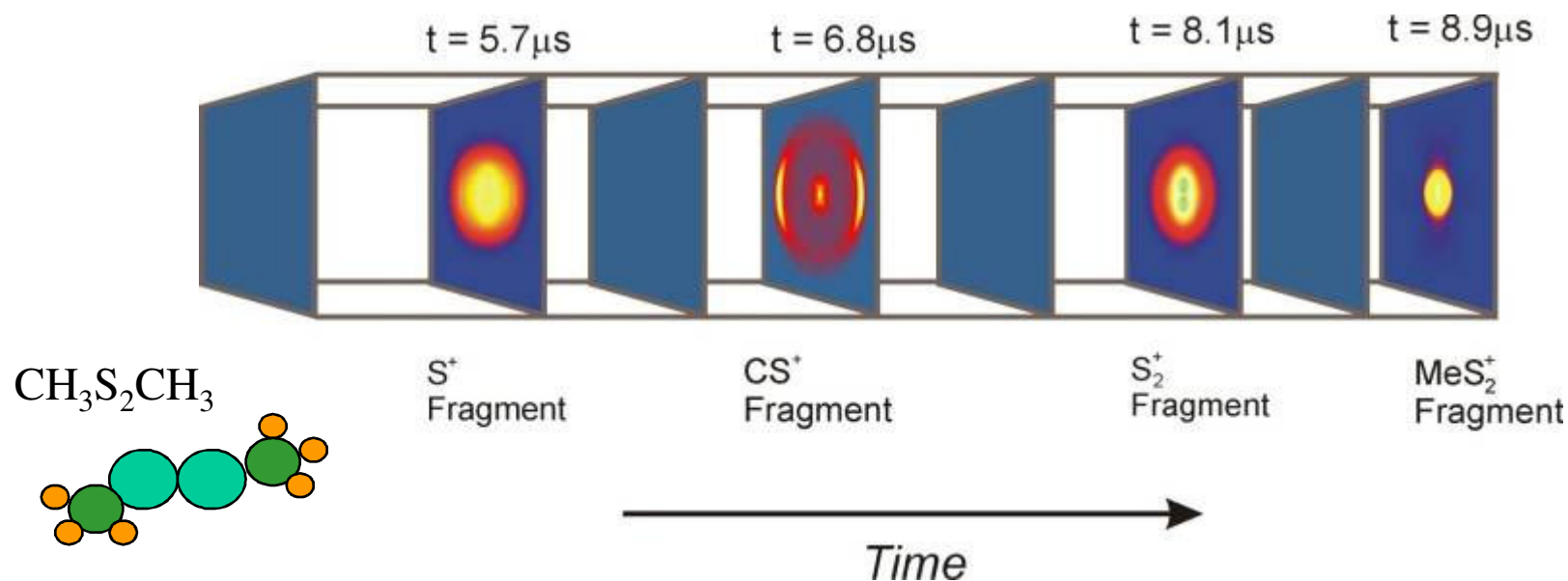
- Single frame shots with DALSA and normal CCD cameras
 - ◆ Slow CCD camera pixels $12 \times 12 \mu\text{m}^2$
 - ◆ Square is $100 \times 100 \mu\text{m}^2$



Slow CCD camera



Velocity Mapped PImMS (1)

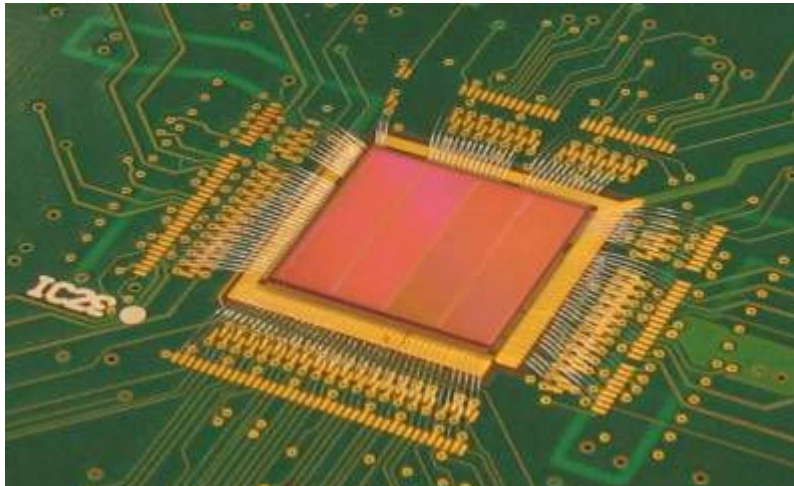


- 2007-2008: Proof of concept experiment successfully performed on dimethyldisulfide (DMDS)³
- Ionization and fragmentation performed with a polarized laser, data recorded with DALSA camera.

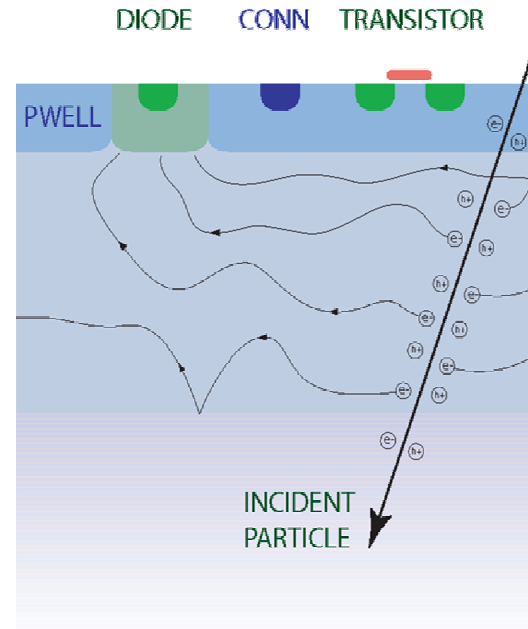
PIImMS Sensor

Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors

- Signal detected in thin epitaxial layer $20\ \mu\text{m}$
- Limited functionality as only NMOS transistors are allowed
 - ◆ PMOS transistors compete for charge



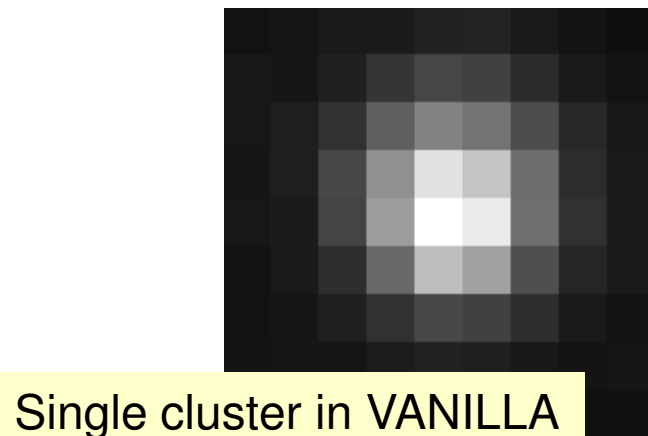
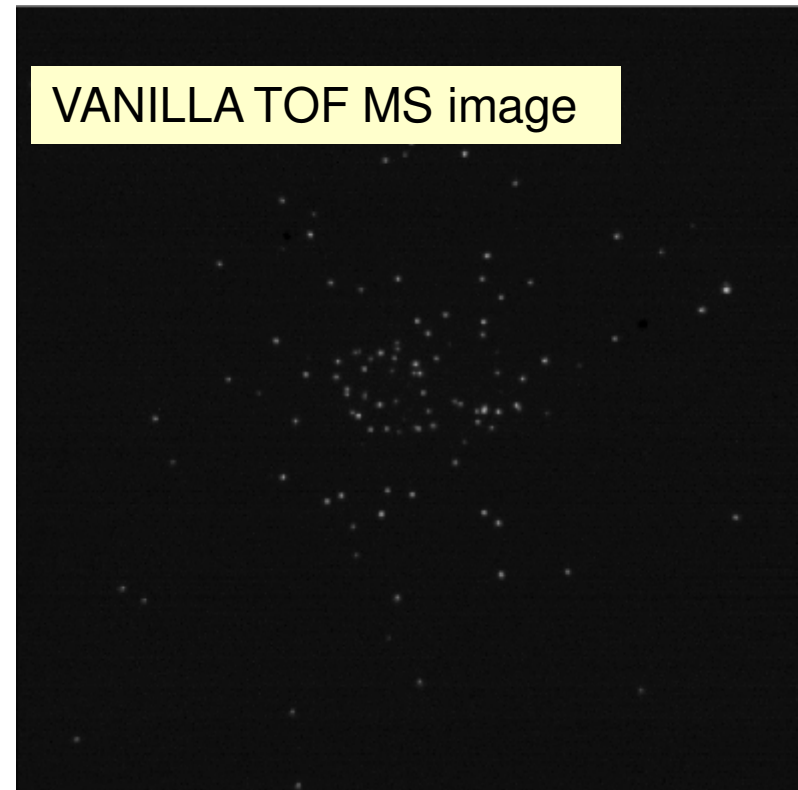
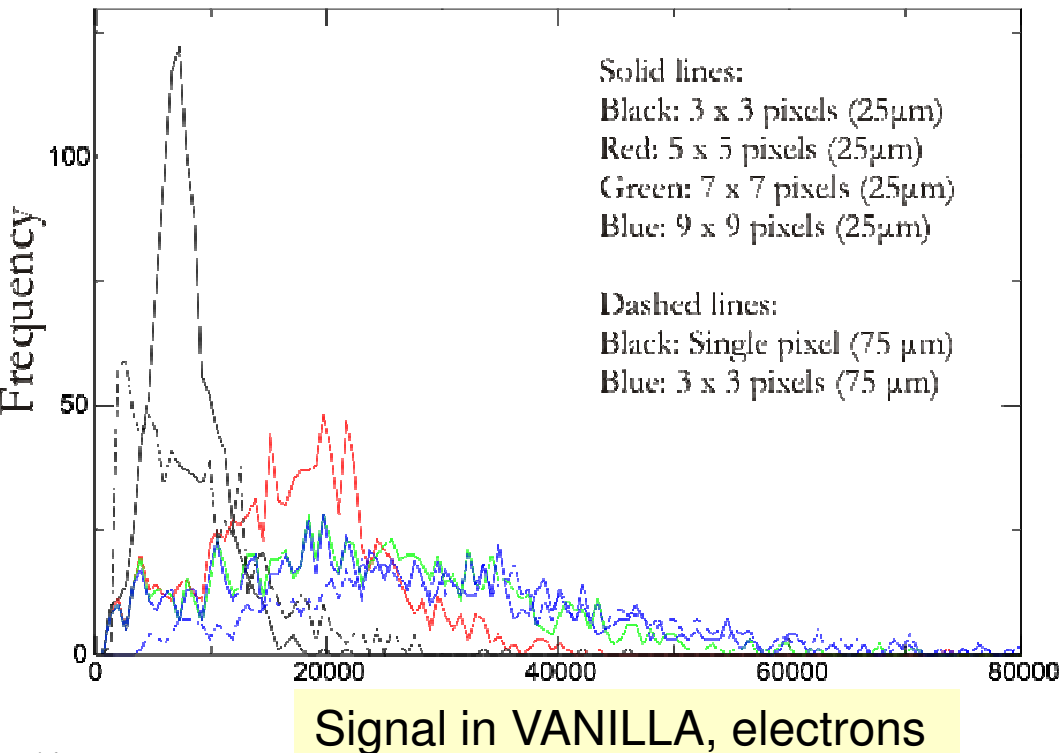
TPAC sensor for ILC digital calorimetry using INMAPS process



- INMAPS process developed at RAL
 - ◆ Shields n-wells with deep p+ implant
 - ◆ Full CMOS capability
 - ◆ Substrate choice for improved charge collection efficiency and radiation hardness
 - ◆ Developed on a 180nm CMOS platform, transferable to smaller feature size, e.g. 130 nm

PImMS and MAPS

- Performed measurements in 2009 with existing CMOS sensors, Vanilla, designed by RAL
 - ◆ Similar detection technology (not INMAPS) but slow frame rate
- Used to formulate specifications for PImMS sensor



Dark subtracted hit

Fast Framing vs Time Stamping

- Time stamping provides same information generating much less data
- BUT needs low intensity (one pixel hit only once or less)

- PImMS is a good match for time stamping

Fast framing

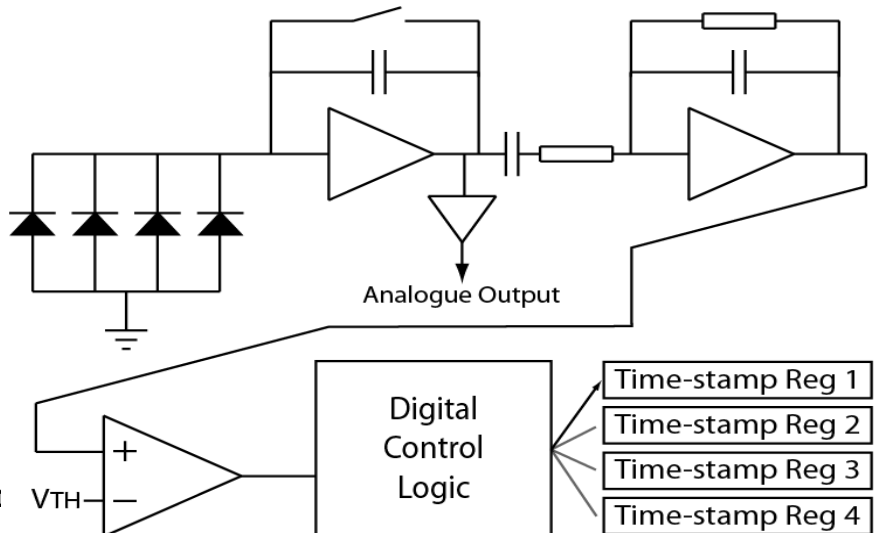


Time stamping

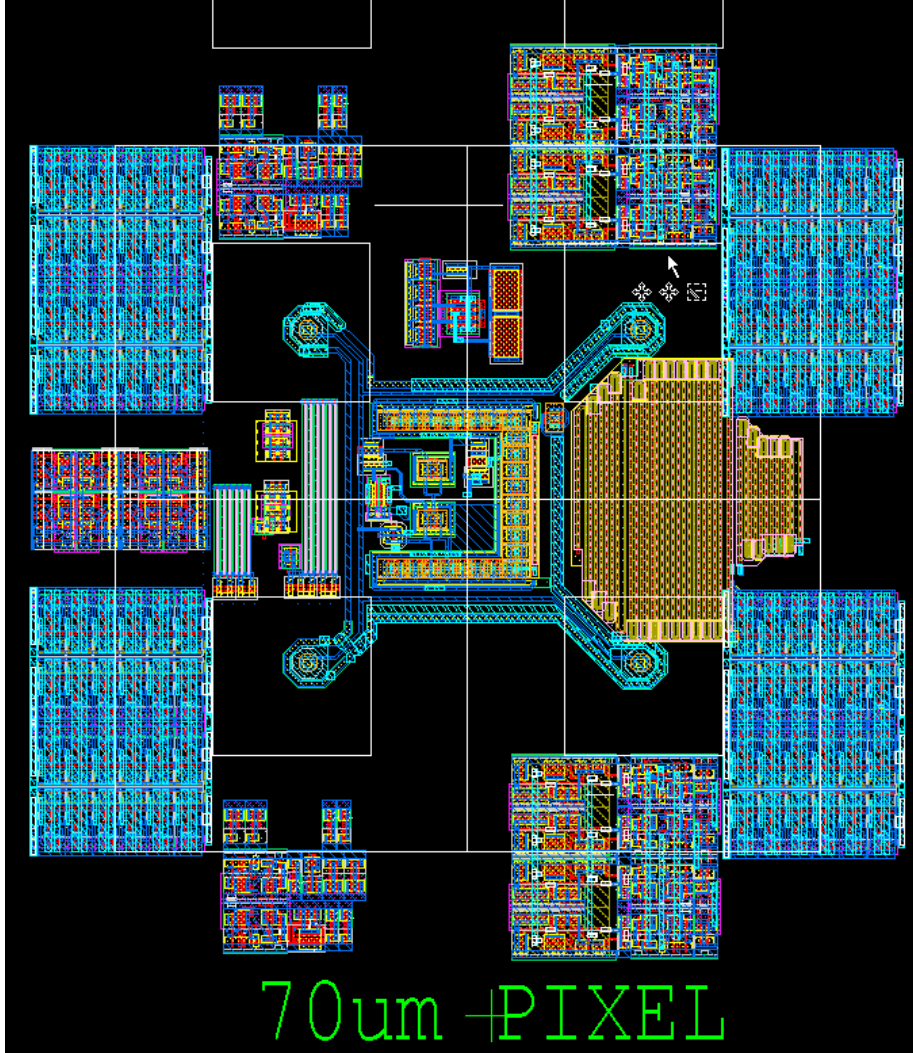


Targeted specifications

- ◆ 512 x 512 pixels
- ◆ Pixel dimensions 70x70 μm^2
- ◆ 12 bit counter
- ◆ 40 MHz clock, distributed to all pixels
- ◆ Time resolution < 100 nsec
- ◆ Each pixel can record 4 time stamps
- ◆ 30 μW /pixel
- ◆ 25 MHz 12-bit parallel digital output
- ◆ 10 MHz analogue output(s) for calibrations
- ◆ 20 Hz rate, possible with USB2.0



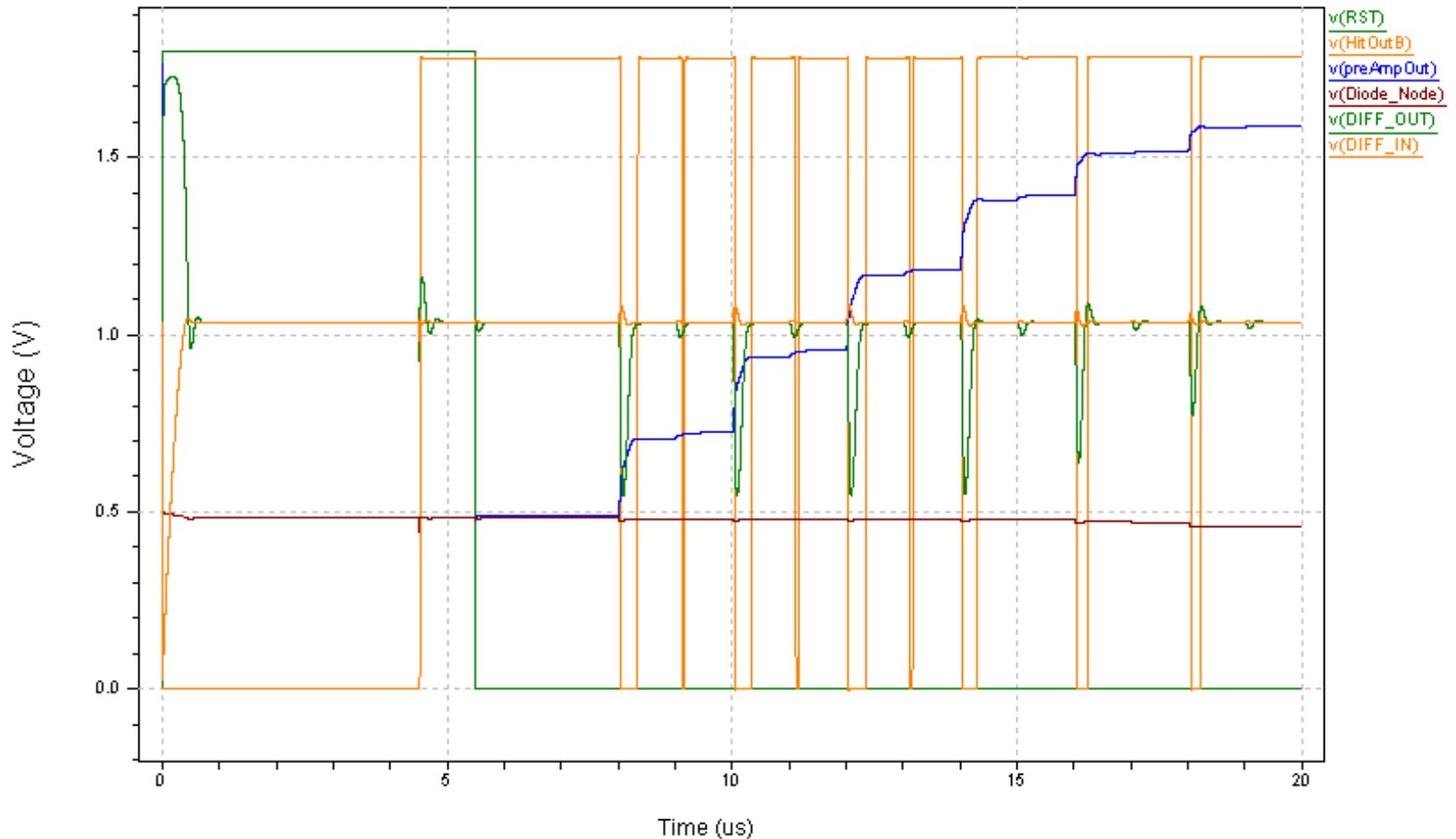
PImMS Sensor



Preliminary (incomplete) layout
Total transistor count ~700/pixel

Simulations of PImMS FE Performance

simPixelFE4

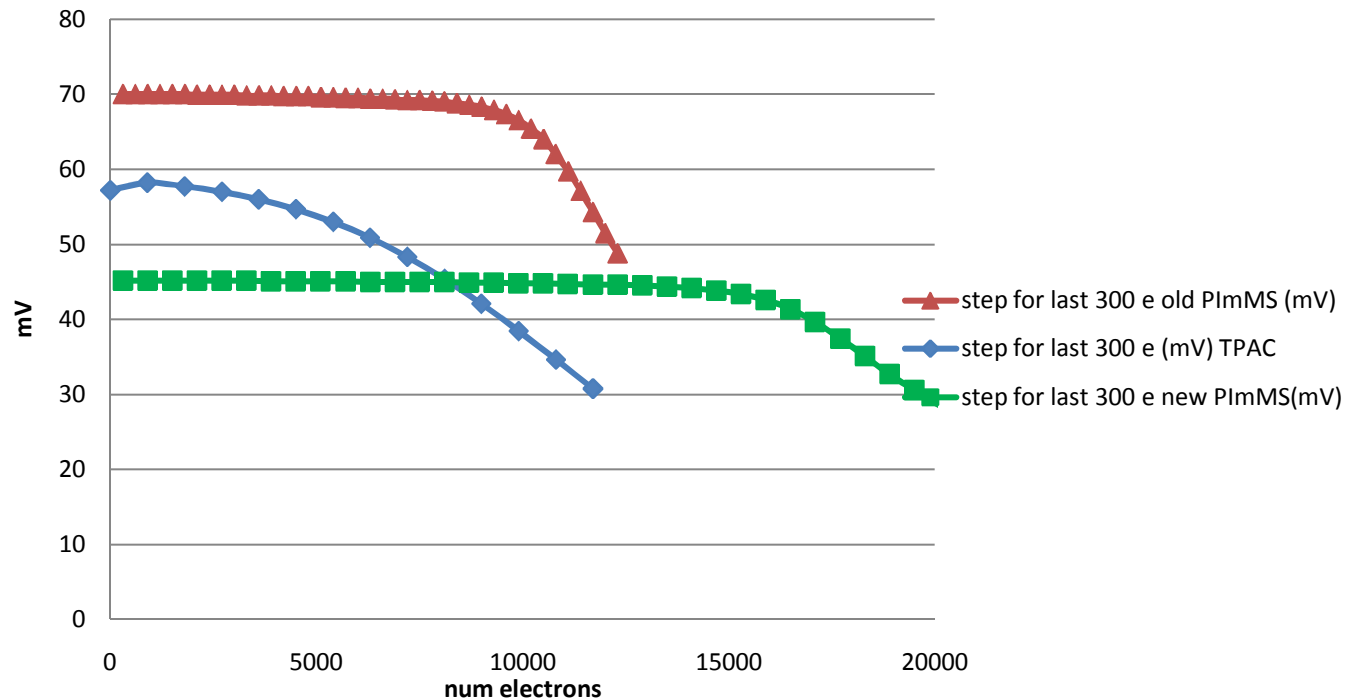


Preamp, Shaper, Comparator outputs for test signals (4000e followed by 300e)

Simulations of PImMS Sensor Performance

- Improved design with respect to ILC-TPAC design
 - Increased dynamic range and response to large signals
 - Good linearity (gain change $<5\%$ for 300e signal up to 15000e)
 - Noise 50 e

Phase margin is good and gain is acceptable
Shaper output response for 300e- after different events



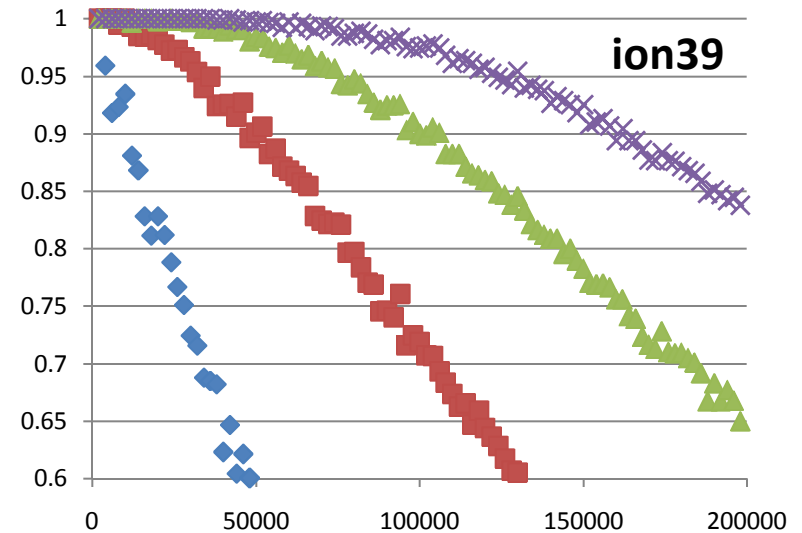
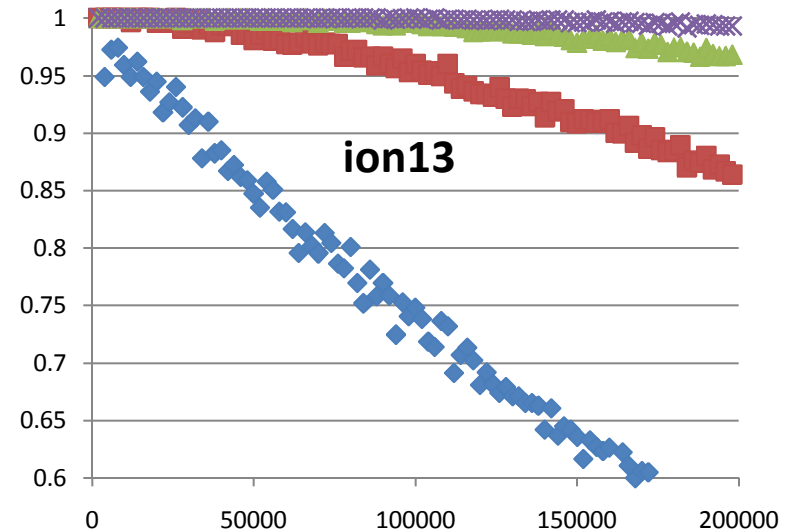
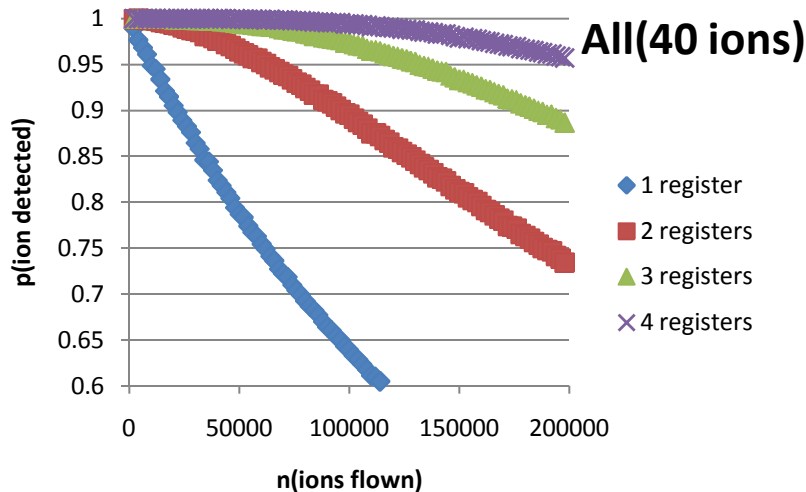
Timing Resolution

- Timing determines mass resolution – important
 - Best Mass Spectrometers : ~ 0.1 ns but many interesting applications with 10-100 ns
- In PImMS will be limited by time walk for different amplitudes (not by diffusion!)
 - Clock skew for large sensor ~25 nsec
 - Saturated MCP may improve the timing resolution
- Recovery time determines pixel dead time (~1%) until next time stamp can be accepted

	PImMS Design
Time to 4σ 300e-/4000e- (ns)	65/24
Recovery Time for 4000e- (ns)	500
Peaking time (ns)	100

Ion Intensity Simulations

- It's important to be sensitive to heavy fragments
- Simulated probability to have N hits/pixel
- Four buffers allow higher intensity



PImMS Pixel Power

Circuit Block	Average Power
Preamplifier	3
Shaper	3
Comparator	6.9
Digital Control	15
Time Code Dist. (SRAM)	0.8
Spec	30
Total	28.7

Quantum Efficiency Estimate

- Fill factor 20%
- Expect QE around 6%, based on previous designs
- Discussing options with micro lenses or backthinning

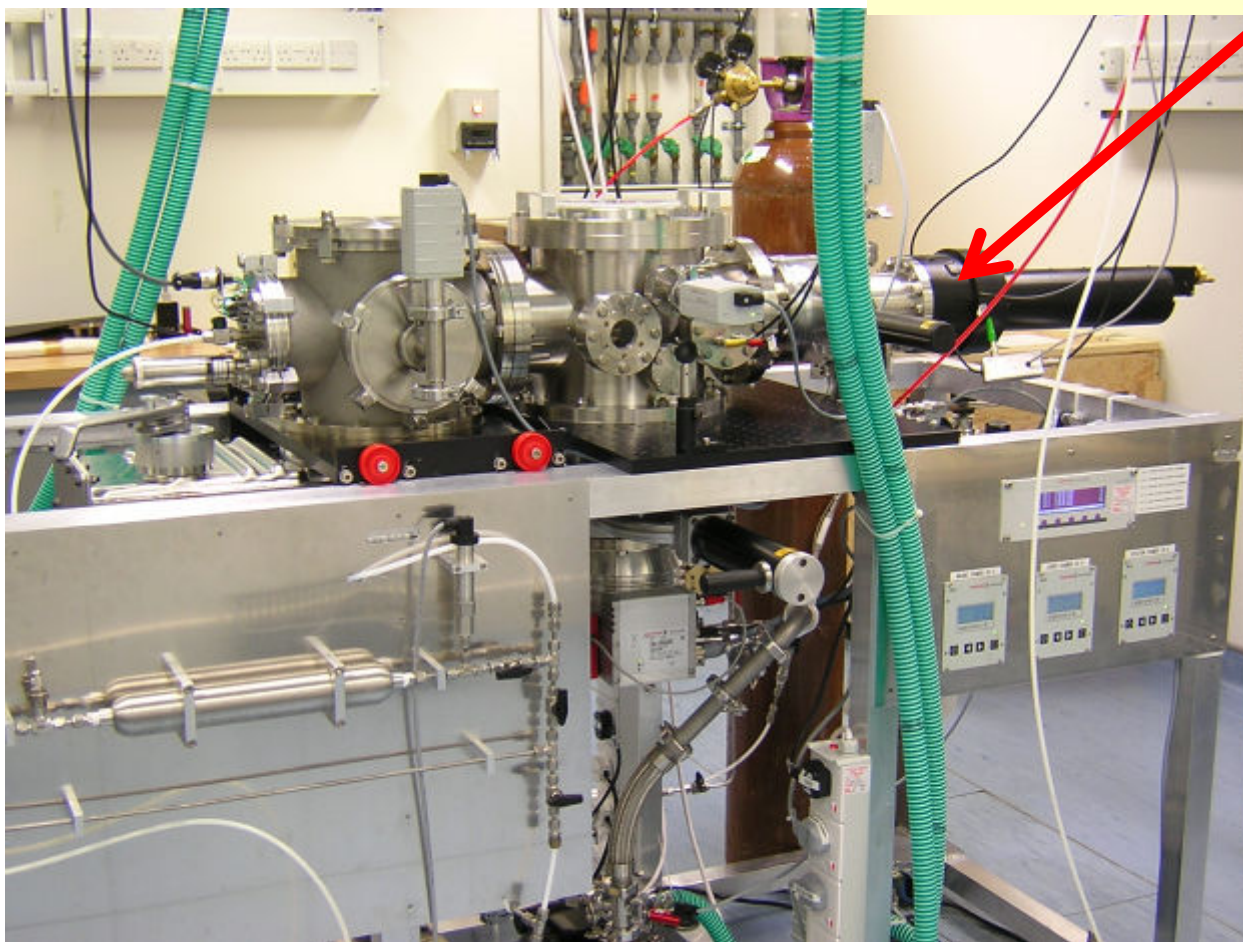
PImMS Timeline

- Currently in the design phase
 - ◆ Pixel schematics complete
 - ◆ Pixel layout review next week
- Submission PImMS1.0 : end of June 2010
 - ◆ Smaller prototype 80x80 pixels (7x7 mm²)
 - ◆ Back in September
- First results: Dec 2010
- Large (512x512?) sensor ready: Dec 2011

Preparations in Oxford Chemistry

- TOF MS in Oxford Chemistry

PIImMS sensor will be mounted here



Summary

- Pixel Imaging Mass Spectroscopy is a powerful hybrid of usual TOF MS and Ion Imaging
- Progress in sensor technologies allows simultaneous capture of images for multiple mass peaks
- PImMS specifications are similar in time resolution and data rates to ILC vertexing and digital calorimetry
- First PImMS sensor expected in 2010, final sensor in the end of 2011