



RD50 Status Report

- September 2019 –

Radiation hard semiconductor devices for very high luminosity colliders

Outline:

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- Outlook and request to the LHCC

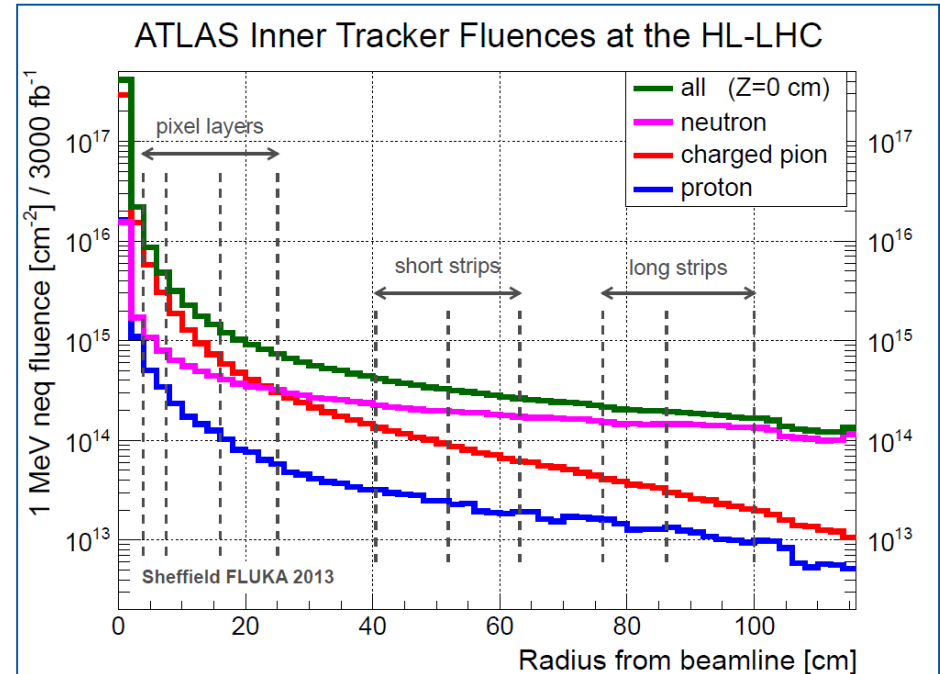
RD50 Motivation and Challenge



Silicon detectors upgrades and operation

- Radiation Hardness -

- **LHC operation**
- **HL-LHC (High Luminosity LHC)**
 - detector developments for HL-LHC
 - starting after LS3 (~2024-26);
 - expect 4000 fb⁻¹ (nominal LHC was 300 fb⁻¹)
- **HL-LHC operation & upgrades**
 - operation of HL-LHC
 - damage modelling, evaluation, mitigation
 - ATLAS Pixel replacement, LHCb upgrade, ...
- **FCC – Future Circular Collider**



Increasing radiation levels

- Semiconductor detectors will face $>10^{16}$ n_{eq}/cm² (HL-LHC) and $>7 \times 10^{17}$ n_{eq}/cm² (FCC-hh)
→ detectors used at LHC cannot be operated after such irradiation

New requirement and new detector technologies

- New requirements or opportunities lead to new technologies (e.g. HV-CMOS, LGAD,...) which need to be evaluated and optimized in terms of radiation hardness

The RD50 Collaboration



• RD50: 60 institutes and 360 members

50 European institutes

Austria (HEPHY), **Belarus** (Minsk), **Czech Republic** (Prague (3x)),
Finland (Helsinki, Lappeenranta), **France** (**Marseille**, Paris, Orsay),
Germany (**Bonn**, Dortmund, Freiburg, **Göttingen**, Hamburg (2x),
Karlsruhe, Munich(2x)), **Greece** (Demokritos), **Italy** (Bari, Perugia, Pisa,
Trento, Torino), **Croatia** (Zagreb), **Lithuania** (Vilnius), **Netherlands**
(NIKHEF), **Poland** (Krakow), **Romania** (Bucharest), **Russia** (Moscow,
St.Petersburg), **Slovenia** (Ljubljana), **Spain** (Barcelona(3x), Santander,
Sevilla (2x), Valencia), **Switzerland** (CERN, PSI, Zurich), **United**
Kingdom (Birmingham, Glasgow, Lancaster, Liverpool, Oxford,
Manchester, RAL)



New members since last LHCC marked red



Full member list: www.cern.ch/rd50

7 North-American institutes

USA (BNL, Brown Uni, Fermilab, LBNL,
New Mexico, Santa Cruz, Syracuse)

1 Middle East institute

Israel (Tel Aviv)

2 Asian institutes

China (**Beijing-IHEP**), **India** (Delhi)

RD50 Organizational Structure



Co-Spokespersons

Gianluigi Casse and *Michael Moll*
(Liverpool University, UK & FBK-CMM, Trento, Italy) (CERN EP-DT)

Defect / Material Characterization

Ioana Pintilie
(NIMP Bucharest)

- Characterization of microscopic properties of standard-, defect engineered and new materials; pre- and post- irradiation
- DLTS, TSC,
- SIMS, SR, ...
- NIEL (calculations)
- Cluster and point defects
- Boron related defects
- SiC based detectors

Detector Characterization

Eckhart Fretwurst
(Hamburg University)

- Characterization of test structures (IV, CV, CCE, TCT,..)
- Development and testing of defect engineered devices
- EPI, MCZ and other materials
- NIEL (experimental)
- Device modeling
- Operational conditions
- Common irradiations
- Wafer procurement (M.Moll)
- Acceptor removal (Kramberger)
- TCAD modeling (J.Schwandt)

New Structures

Giulio Pellegrini
(CNM Barcelona)

- 3D detectors
- Thin detectors
- Cost effective solutions
- Other new structures
- Detectors with internal gain
- LGAD:Low Gain Avalanche Det.
- Deep Depleted Avalanche Det.
- Slim Edges
- HVCMOS
- LGAD (S.Hidalgo)
- HVCMOS (E. Vitella)
- Slim Edges (V.Fadeyev)

Full Detector Systems

Gregor Kramberger
(Ljubljana University)

- LHC-like tests
- Links to HEP (LHC P2, FCC)
- Links electronics R&D
- Low rho strips
- Sensor readout (Alibava)
- Comparison:
 - pad-mini-full detectors
 - different producers
- Radiation Damage in HEP detectors
- Timing detectors
- Test beams (M.Bomben & G.Casse)

Collaboration Board Chair & Deputy: G.Kramberger (Ljubljana) & J.Vaitkus (Vilnius), Conference committee: U.Parzefall (Freiburg)
CERN contact: M.Moll (EP-DT), Secretary: V.Wedlake (EP-DT), Budget holder: M.Moll & M.Glaser (EP-DT), EXSO: R.Costanzi (EP-DT)

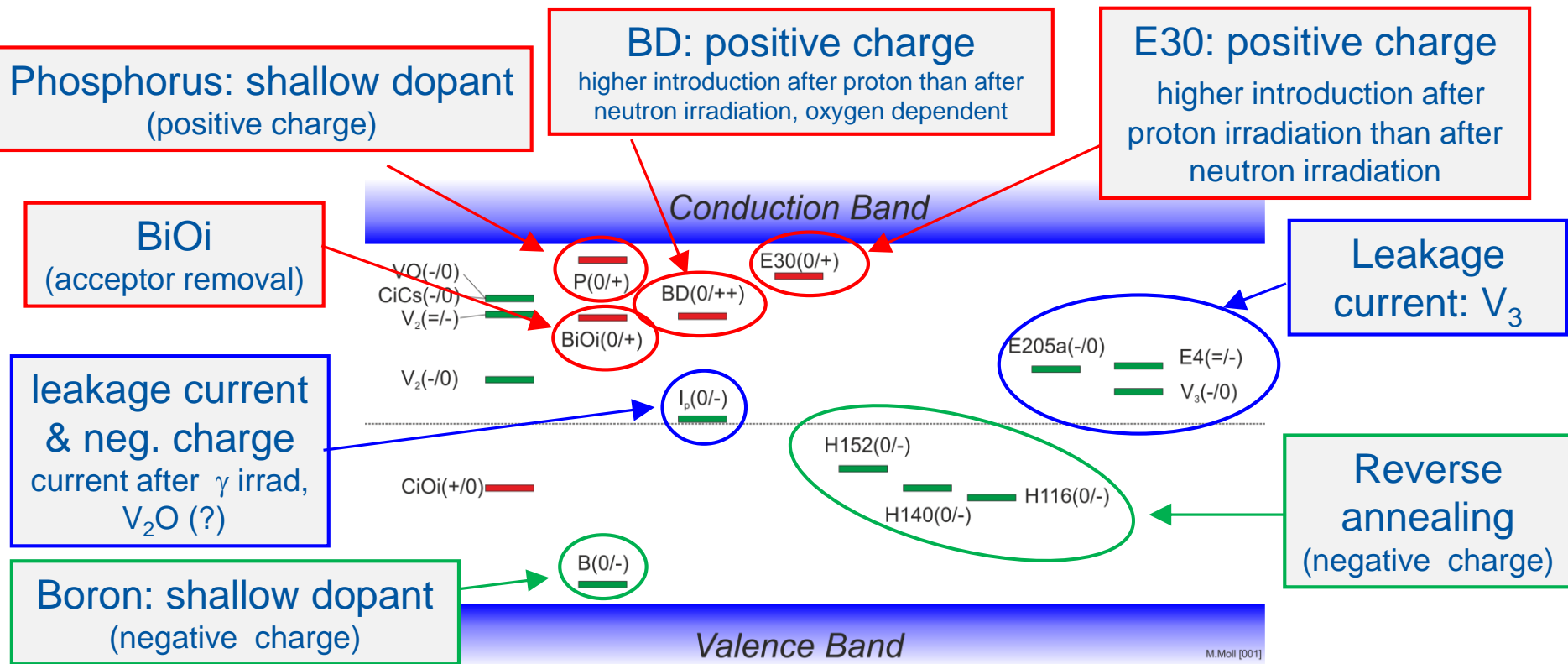
Defect & Material Characterization

Recent results 2018/19

Radiation induced defects with impact on device performance



RD50 map of most relevant defects for device performance near room temperature:

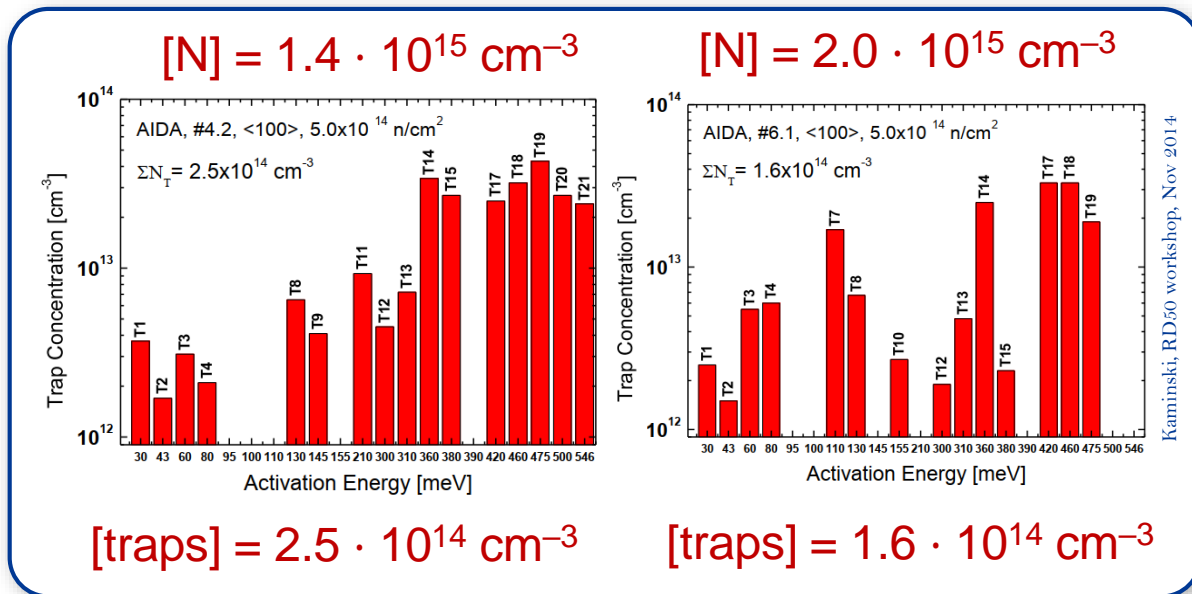


- Trapping: Indications that E205a and H152K are important (further work needed)
- Converging on consistent set of defects observed after p, π , n, γ and e irradiation.
- Defect introduction rates are depending on particle type and energy, and some on material!

Material Characterization



- Nitrogen-enriched FZ silicon wafers (NitroSil project)
 - N-enriched wafers [Topsil] showed after irradiation a lower trap density
 - Defect Characterization by HRPITS (wafer level technique):



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Radiation Hardening with Nitrogen ??
 Vacancy Suppression

$$\text{N}_2 + V \rightleftharpoons \text{N}_2V$$
 Interstitial Suppression

$$\text{N}_2V + I \rightleftharpoons \text{N}_2$$

Assuming effect similar to "Watkins kick-out mechanism" for Carbon and Boron

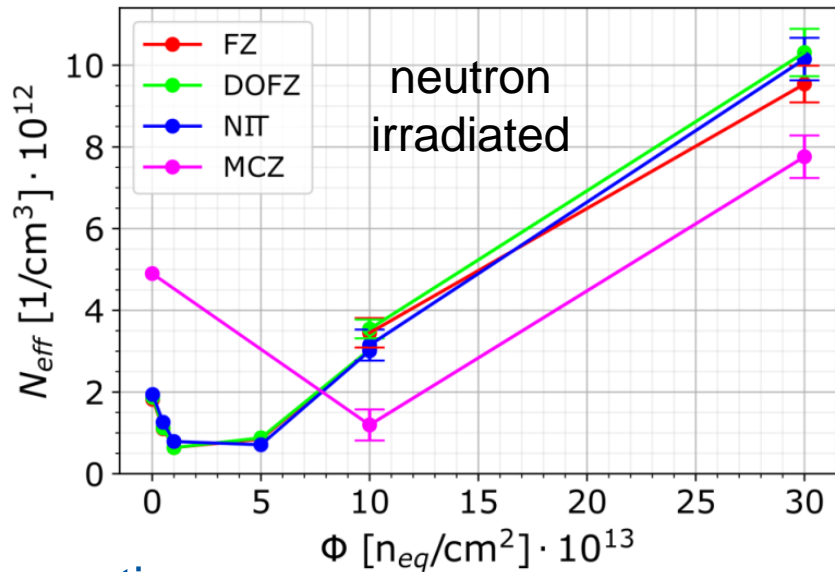
W. von Ammon et al., J. Cryst. Growth 226, 19 (2001)

- RD50 NitroStrip project (2016-2019)
 - N-enriched wafers processed to Silicon Sensors (pad and segmented)
 - Irradiation (proton/neutron) and measurement (sensor/defects) campaigns

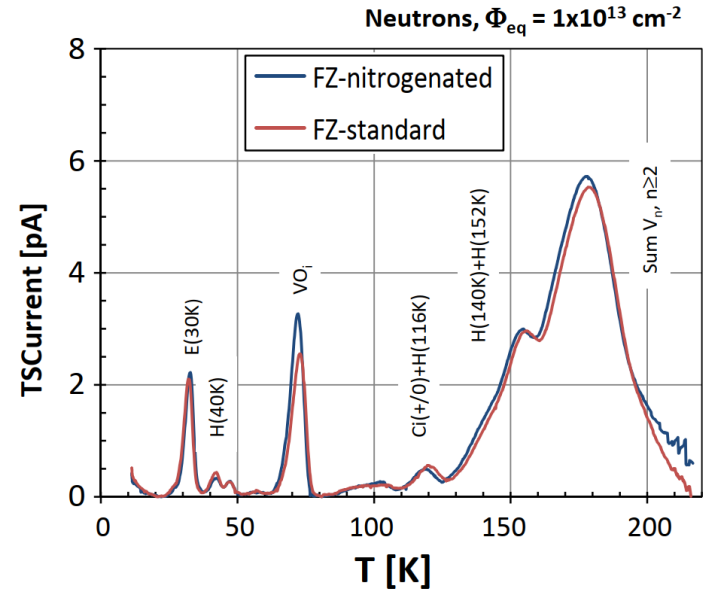
Nitrogen-enriched Silicon



- 24 wafers processed with strip and pad sensors
 - FZ, FZ+Nitrogen [NIT], FZ+Oxygen [DOFZ], Magnetic Czochralski [MCZ]
- Irradiations: Neutrons, Protons(23 MeV,23 GeV); Characterization: CV, IV, e-TCT, TCT, TSC



[J.C.Hönig et al. – RD50 Nov.2018]



[E.Fretwurst et al. – RD50 Nov.2018]

- Observation:
 - No difference between standard and Nitrogen-enriched sensors in effective doping, electric field structure, leakage current, charge collection and defect concentration!
- Repetition of material analyses:
 - SIMS measurements: $[N] < 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ while before processing it was $[N] = 2.4 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 - **Nitrogen is seemingly out-diffusing during the wafer processing!**

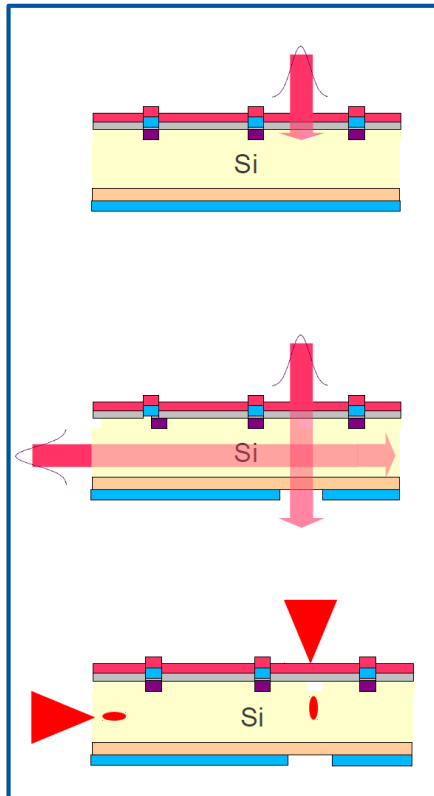
Detector Characterization

Recent results 2018/19

Transient Current Technique (TCT)



- Pulsed laser induced generation of charge carriers inside detector
 - Study of: electric field in sensor, charge collection efficiency, homogeneity,..
 - Benchmark simulation tools, measure physics parameters from mobility to impact ionization
- New TCT technology: TPA-TCT – Two Photon Absorption TCT



- **TCT (red laser)**
 - short penetration length ($650\text{nm} = 1.9\text{eV}$)
 - carriers deposited in a few μm from surface
 - front and back TCT: study electron and hole drift separately
 - 2D spatial resolution ($5\text{-}10\mu\text{m}$)
- **TCT (infrared laser)**
 - long penetration ($1064\text{nm} = 1.17\text{ eV}$)
 - similar to MIPs (though different dE/dx)
 - top and edge-TCT
 - 2D spatial resolution ($5\text{-}10\mu\text{m}$)
- **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 ($1 \times 1 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^3$)

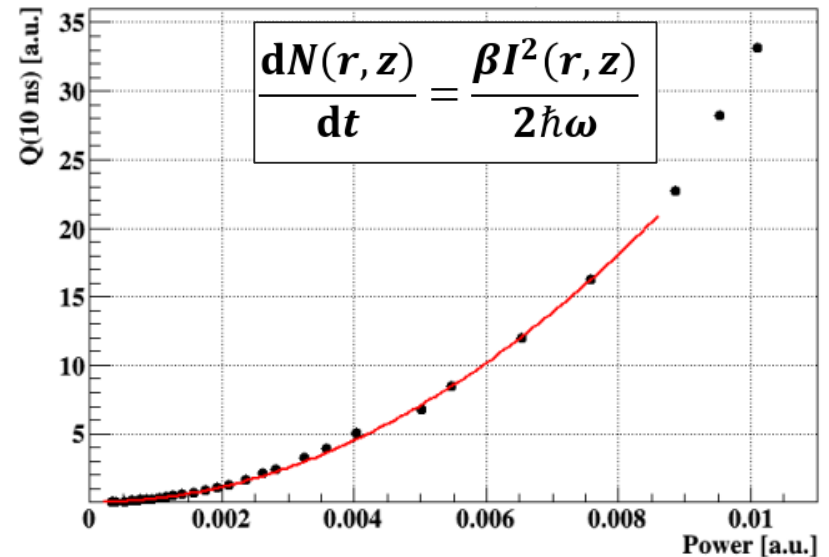
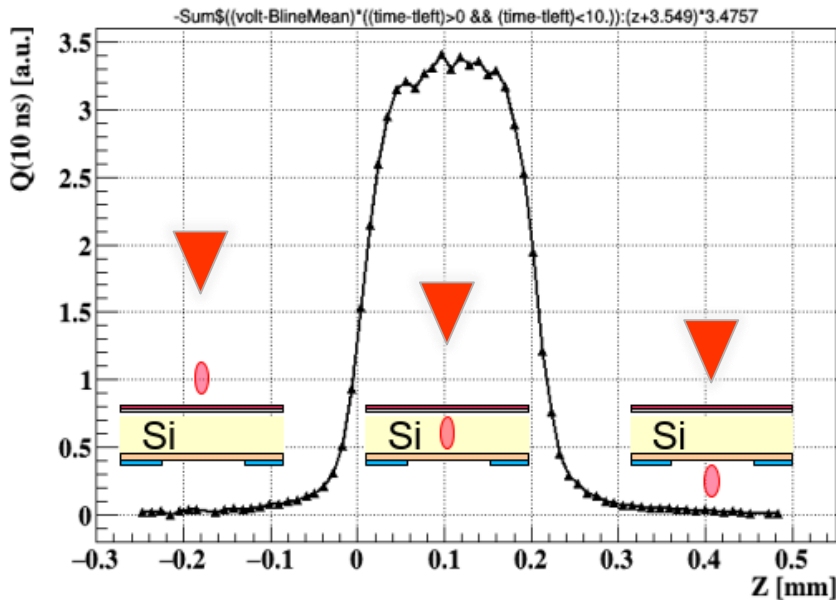
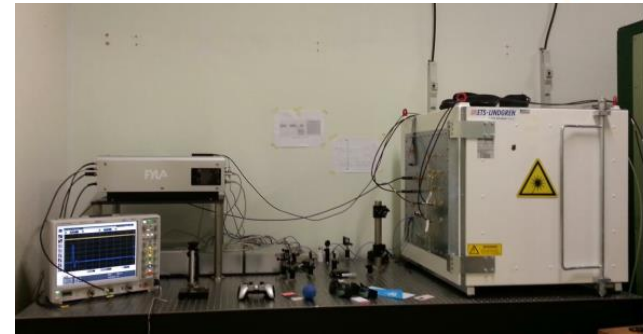
edge-TCT: 2010
TCT commercialized: 2013

TPA-TCT: Proof of concept presented by RD50 in 2015

Table-top TPA-TCT system



- Seed funding: CERN KT-Fund grant
 - Development of a customized fiber-laser (1550nm, 60fs) with external company
 - Laser operational at CERN since August 2019
 - Proof of concept achieved:



- Control and DAQ software under development
- System development ongoing (mechanics, automation, cooling, ...)

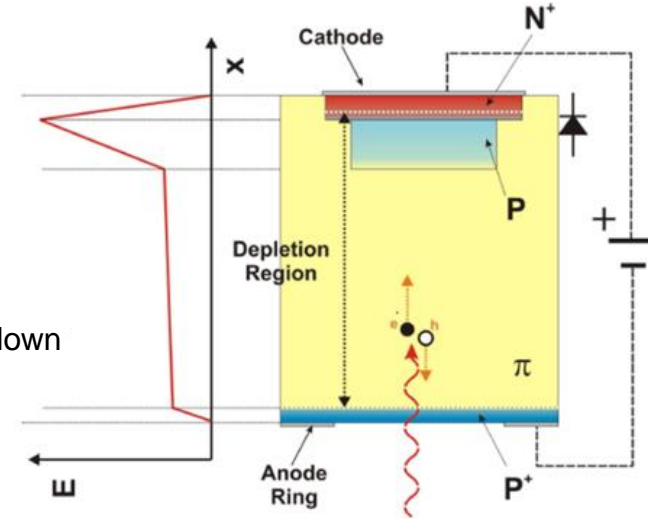
New Structures

Recent results 2018/19

LGAD: Low Gain Avalanche Detectors



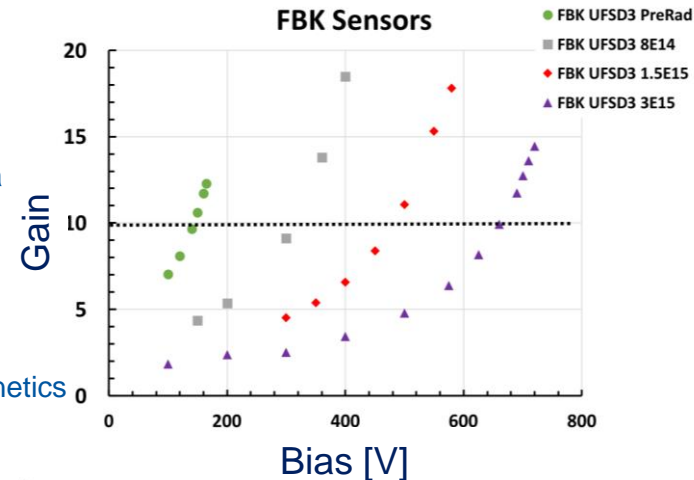
- **Origin:** Pioneered by RD50 with CNM,Barcelona (and later also FBK,Trento)
 - RD50 working on LGADs since ≈ 2010 (≈ 50 production runs)
- **Application:** LGAD for timing detectors
 - Intrinsic gain of devices allows for excellent timing performance ($< 50\text{ps}$)
 - Time-tagging of particle tracks in order to mitigate pile-up effects
 - To be implemented in ETL(CMS) and HGTD(ATLAS)
- **Concept:** similar to APD but lower gain $O(10)$
 - Impact ionization in p^+ -implant (multiplication layer) produces gain
 - Tailored multiplication layer ($[B] \sim 10^{17}\text{cm}^{-3}$); challenge: optimize gain vs. breakdown
- **Foundries:**
 - CNM (Barcelona, ES), FBK(Trento,IT), HPK (Japan), IHEP(Bijing, China), Micron(UK), BNL(USA) and soon CIS(Erfurt, Germany)



• Areas of LGAD developments within RD50

$$\sigma_{\text{jitter}}^2 = \frac{\text{Noise}}{dV/dt} \approx \frac{t_{\text{rise}}}{S/N}$$

- **Timing performance**
 - Optimization: sensor thickness, gain layer profile and signal homogeneity
- **Fill factor and signal homogeneity**
 - Gain layer needs protection against breakdown (JTE) causing non-efficient area
 - Mitigation: New and optimized LGAD concepts investigated
- **Radiation Hardness:**
 - Problem: Field in gain layer dropping due to “acceptor removal”
 - Defect Engineering of the gain layer
 - Use Gallium instead of Boron or Carbon co-implant to impact on defect kinetics
 - Modification of gain layer profile

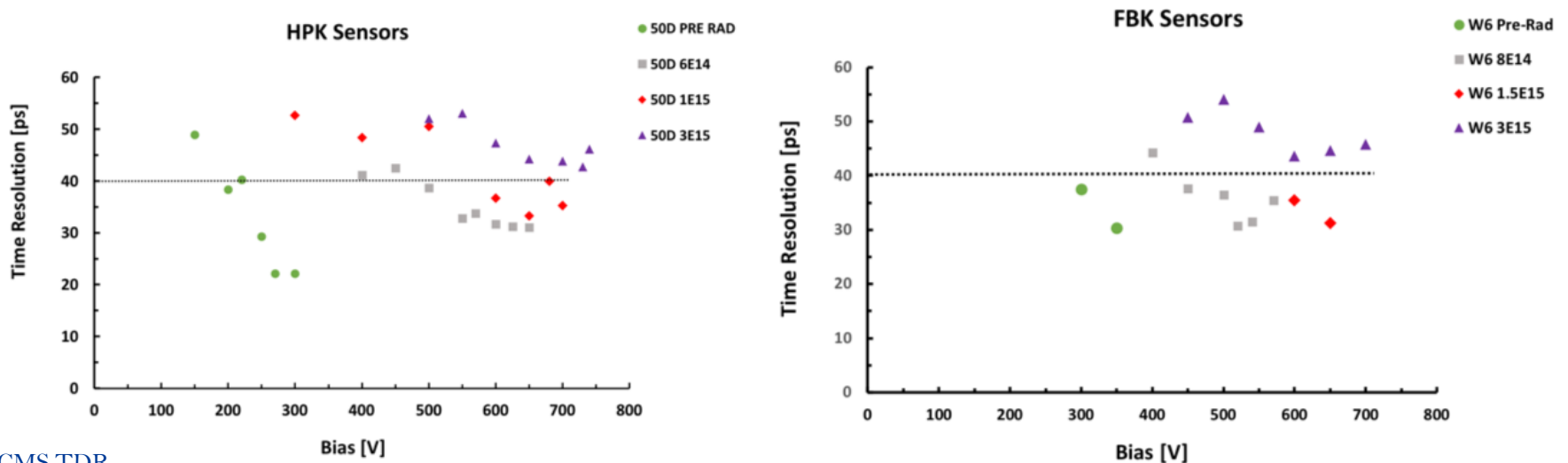


LGAD: Time resolution



- Example: Studies for the CMS Endcap Timing Layer (ETL)
 - Time resolution for both sensor families shown (HPK and FBK) remains in the interval $\sigma_t = 30\text{--}40$ ps throughout the HL-LHC lifetime of the ETL detector
 - A moderate degradation to $\sigma_t = 40\text{--}50$ ps at a fluence of $3 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ is observed, which is beyond the maximum ETL fluence (with safety factor).

LGAD σ_t versus voltage for different fluences



CMS TDR

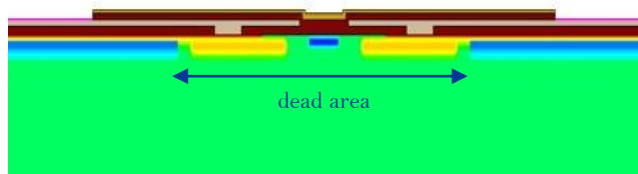
- RD50 is collaborating closely with ATLAS (HGTD) and CMS (ETL) in the LGAD development

LGAD: Fill factor improvements

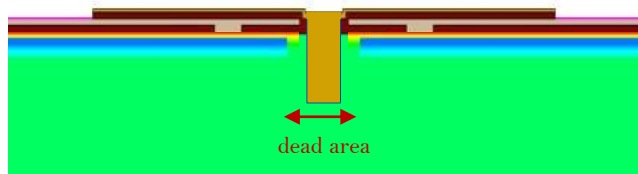


- Two opposing requirements:
 - To have a good timing reconstruction the signal must be homogeneous, i.e. no dead areas and homogeneous weighting field
 - A pixel-border termination is necessary to host all structures controlling the electric field
- Several new approaches to optimize/mitigate followed:

Trench Isolation

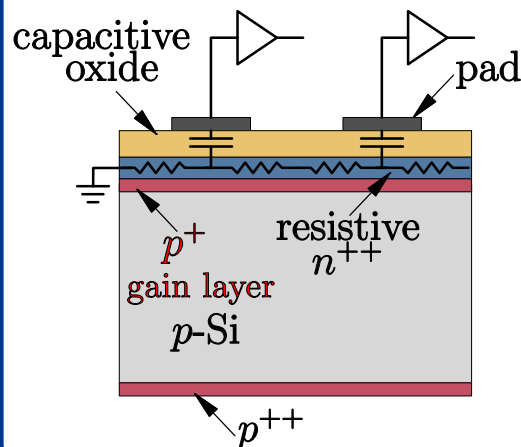


traditional gain isolation



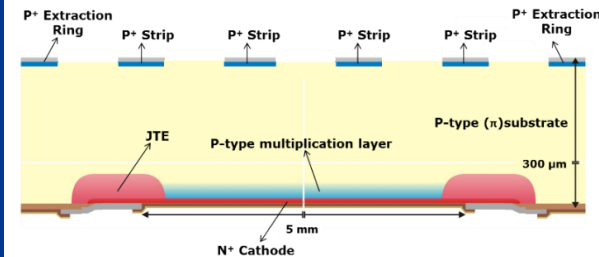
trenches isolation (HD-LGAD)

AC-LGAD



Invers LGAD

Front: segmented readout



Back: gain layer

- All above concepts simulated, designed, produced and tested in 2018/19
- Full qualification, irradiations and timing performance tests ongoing

LGAD: Gain layer engineering

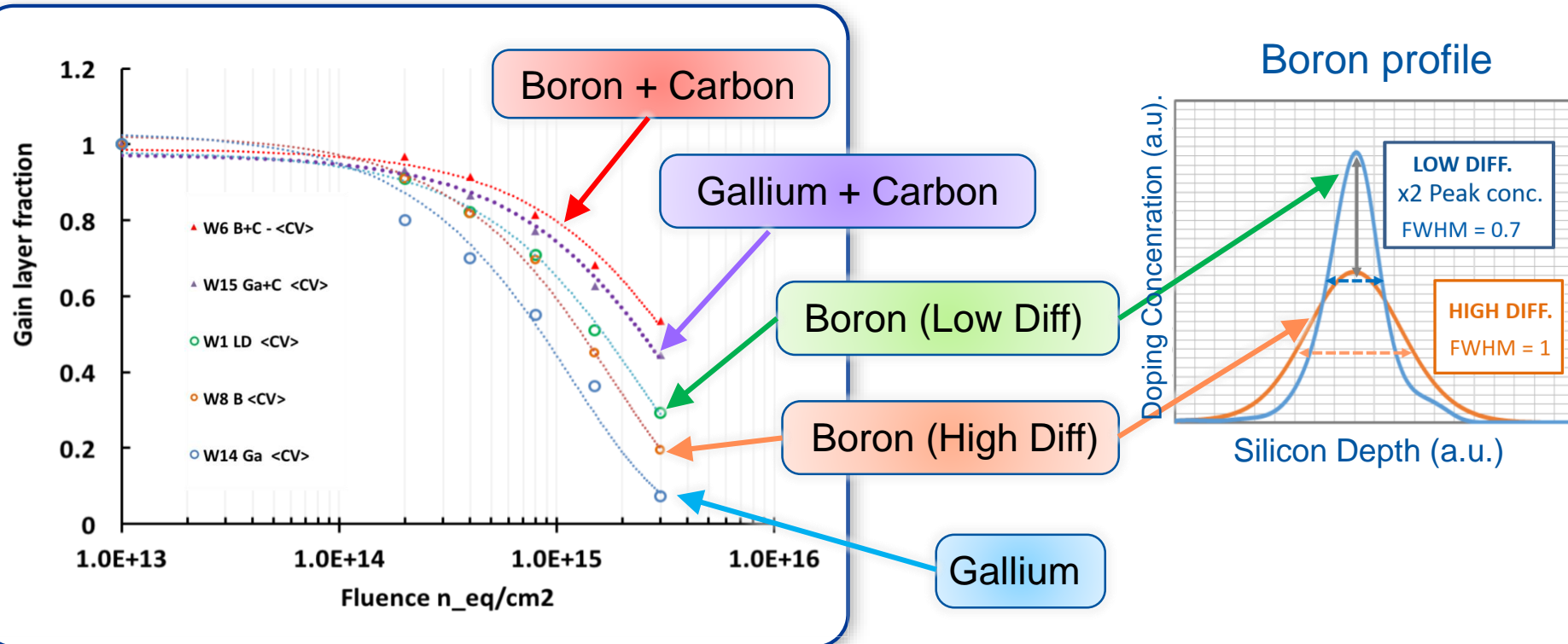


Defect Engineering of the gain layer

- **Carbon** co-implantation mitigates the gain loss after irradiation
- Replacing Boron by **Gallium** did not improve the radiation hardness

Modification of the gain layer profile

- Narrower **Boron doping profiles** with high concentration peak (Low Thermal Diffusion) are less prone to be inactivated

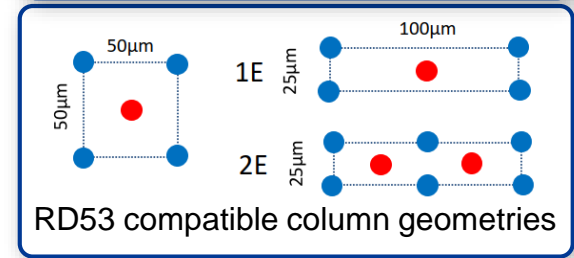
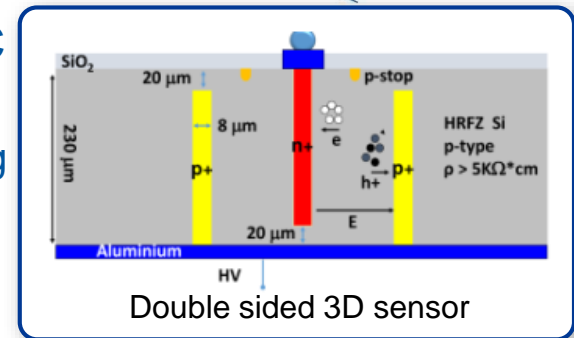


[G.Paternoster, FBK, Trento, Feb.2019]

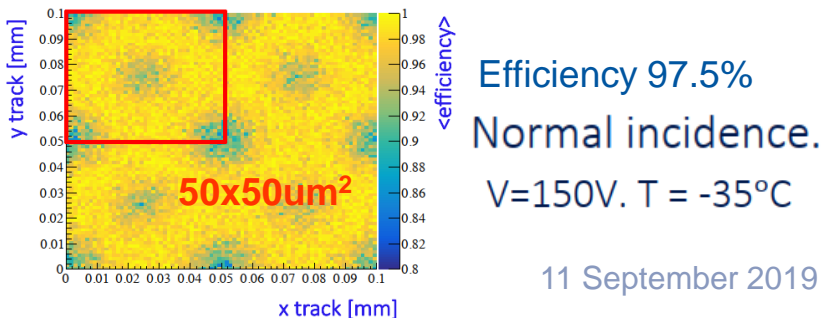
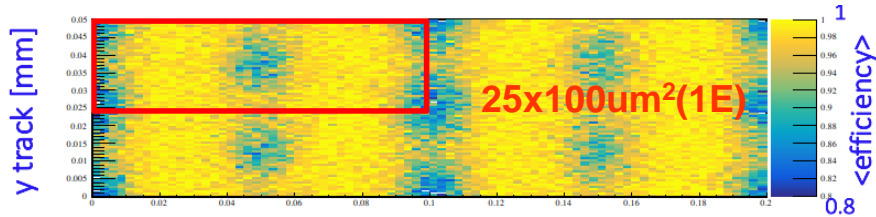
3D sensors for ATLAS/CMS



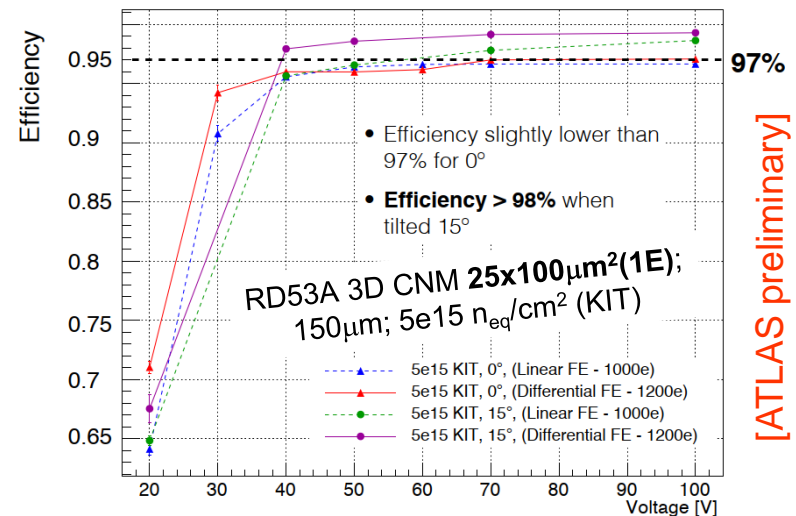
- RD50 contributes to the 3D sensor developments for HL-LHC
 - Evaluation of different column geometries for the RD53 ASIC
 - 25x100 μm (2E) production has yield problems; production using a stepper instead of full wafer mask under way
 - Radiation Hardness evaluation in test beams at CERN
 - ATLAS and CMS testbeams on 150 μm double sided and single sided 3D sensors with different column geometries and irradiated to fluences of up to $1e16 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ demonstrated hit efficiencies $> 97\%$ in normal incidence ($>98\%$ under 15°).



CMS $1e16 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ Efficiency 96.6%
Normal incidence. $V = 124\text{V}$. $T = -36^\circ\text{C}$



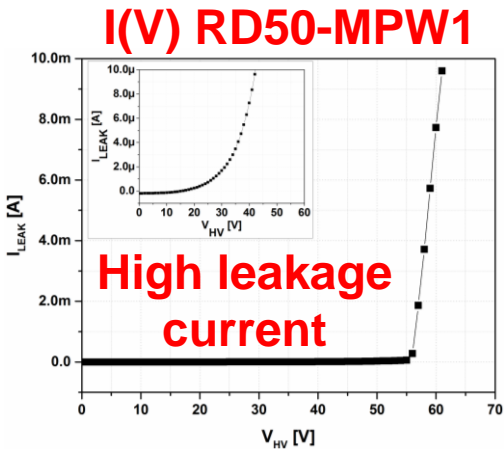
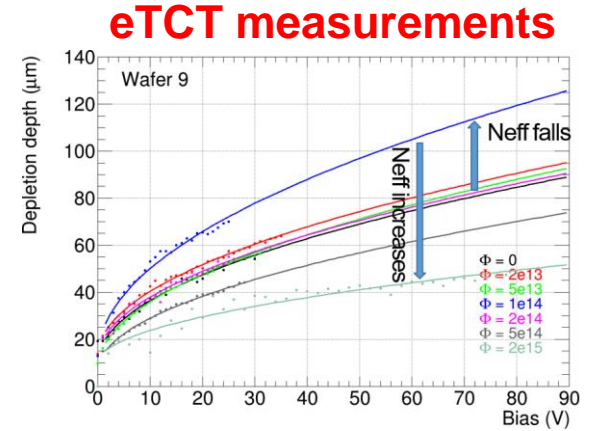
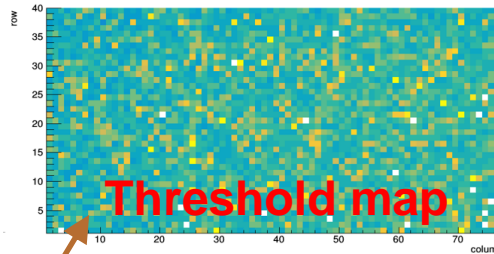
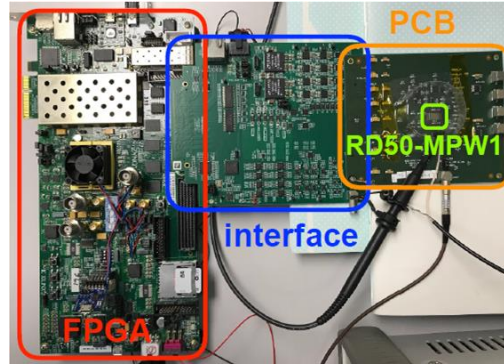
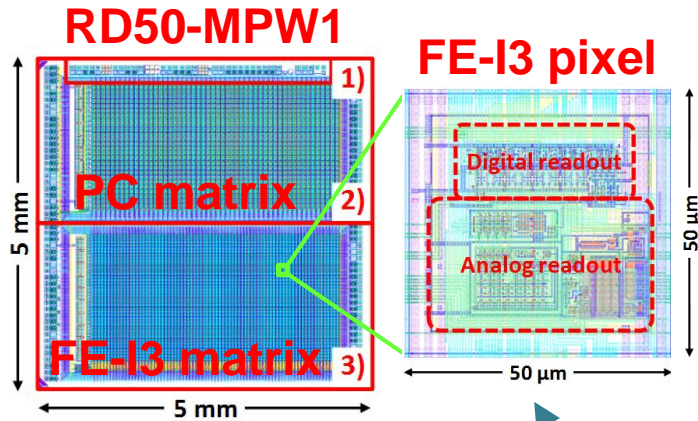
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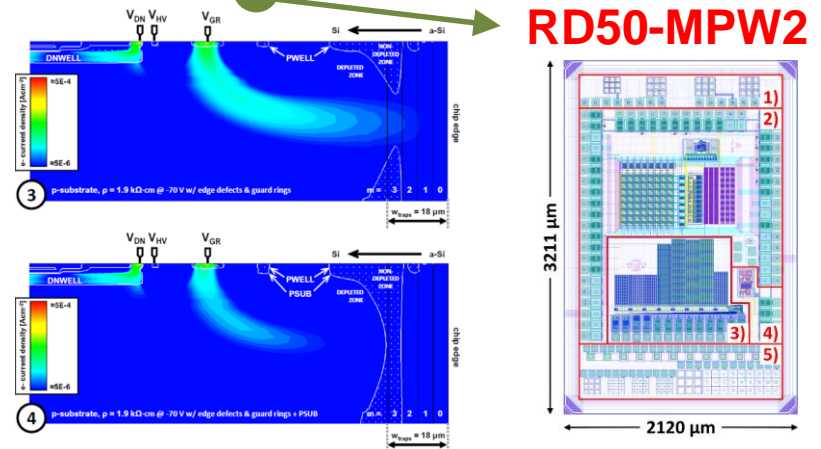
[Giulia Giannini et al. – RD50 Nov.2018]

CMOS

RD50 DAQ (Caribou)



TCAD simulations (to develop methodologies to reduce leakage current)



Full Detector Systems

Recent results 2018/19

Radiation Effects in LHC Experiments



- 5th Workshop on Radiation Effects at LHC Experiments and Impact on Operation and Performance [CERN, 11-12 February 2019]

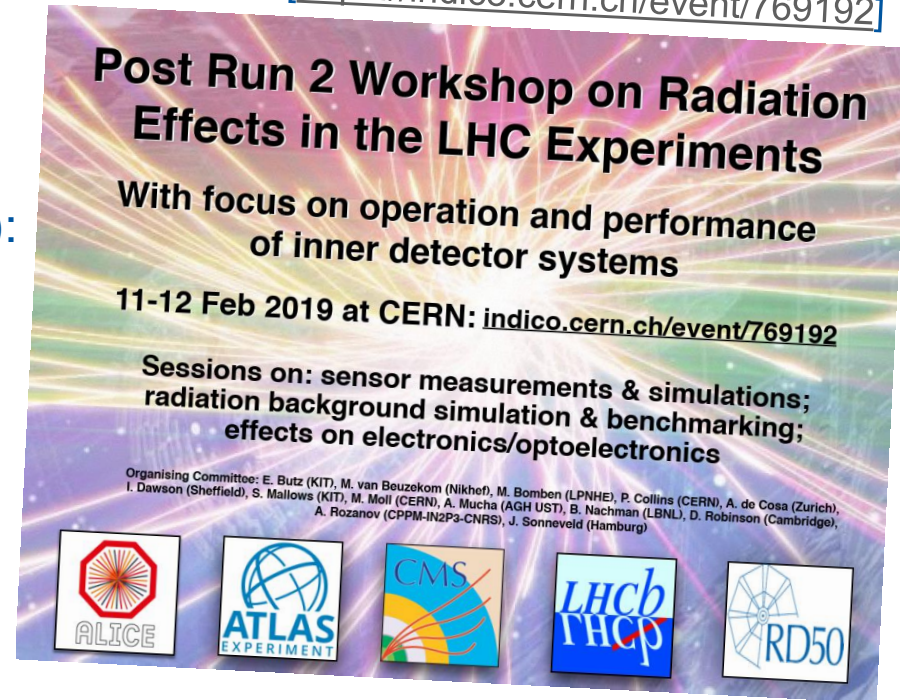
- Common Workshop: (ALICE), ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, RD50
 - Sensor Measurements
 - Electronics/Optoelectronics
 - Radiation Simulation and Monitoring
 - Sensor Simulation

[<https://indico.cern.ch/event/769192>]

- Workshop statistics (Feb 2019/ April 2018):
 - 108/124 participants
 - 30/32 talks and discussion sessions

• Outcome and follow-up:

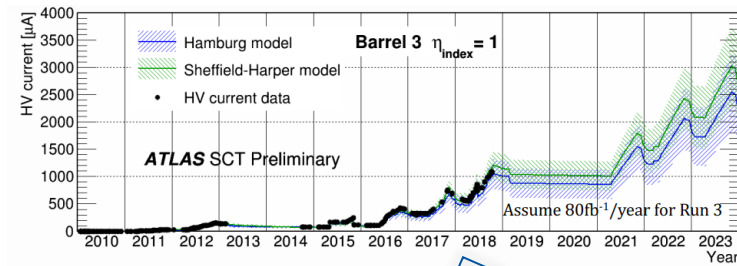
- Generally good agreement between damage predictions by RD50 models (“Hamburg model”) and radiation damage observed by the experiments
- Coherent approach in data analyses agreed
- Modelling will have to be refined in some areas for run 3
- Report under preparation to summarize observations, compare results of different experiments against each other, list open questions and outline further work



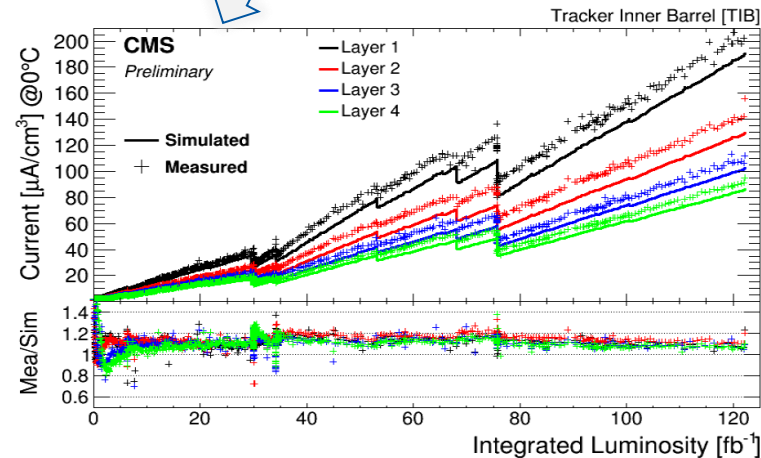
Radiation Effects in LHC Experiments



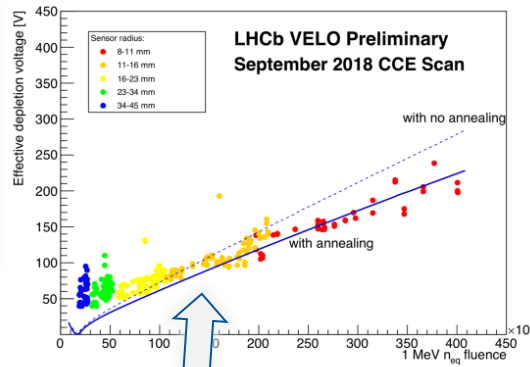
• Workshop on radiation effects in LHC Experiments (Feb.2019)



Leakage currents in ATLAS SCT and CMS tracker and model predictions



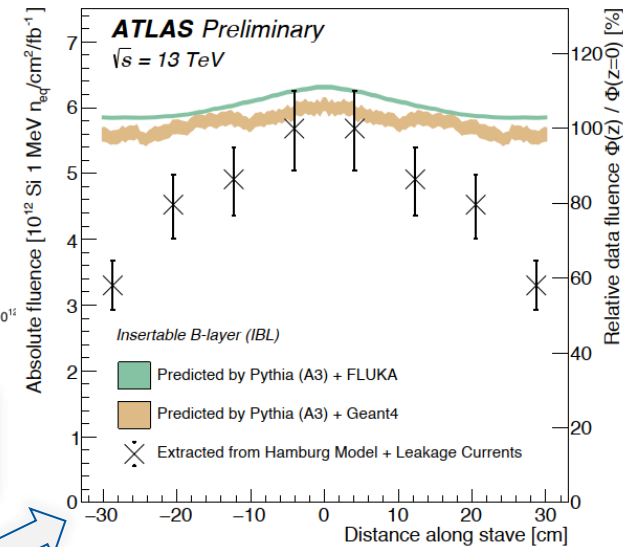
Plots: Radiation Effects Workshop Feb.2019 <https://indico.cern.ch/event/769192>
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 G.Sarpis (LHCb Velo), F.Feindt (ATLAS Pixel)



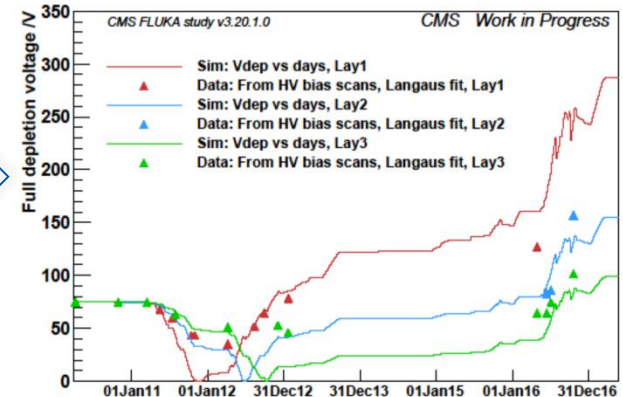
LHCb Velo depletion voltage reduced by annealing; according to model

ATLAS B-layer data vs. MC&NIEL strong z-dependence; unexpected

CMS pixel layers; deviation of V_{dep} from modelling at high fluences



Phase-0 Pixel -- Full depletion voltage vs days



RD50 – 5 Year Work Plan



- **5 year work program submitted in May 2018**
 - Approved by CERN Research Board in June 2018
- **Workplan [70 milestones]**
 - **Defect and Material Characterization [16 MS]**
 - p-type silicon [7 MS]
 - Cluster defects [4 MS]
 - Theory of defects [5 MS]
 - **Device Characterization & Device Simulation [21MS]**
 - Silicon materials [5 MS]
 - Extreme fluences [5 MS]
 - Experimental techniques [3 MS]
 - Surface damage [1 MS]
 - TCAD simulations [7 MS]
 - **New structures [21 MS]**
 - 3D sensors [6 MS] ; LGAD [4 MS]
 - CMOS [6 MS] ; New Materials [5 MS]
 - **Full Detector Systems [12 MS]**
 - LHC [7 MS]; HL-LHC [3 MS]
 - FCC [2 MS]



<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2320882/files/LHCC-SR-007.pdf>

Outlook & Request to LHCC



- **RD50 outlook:**
 - Roadmap given in 5 Year Workplan (2018-2023) <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2320882>
 - Milestone status discussed in depth with LHCC referee on 2.9.2019
- **RD50 MOU**
 - New “Memorandum of Understanding”: signed by CERN Research DG in May 2019
- **Resources:**
 - Every RD50 institution is contributing 2kCHF/year to the RD50 common fund (CF).
 - The CF is used to finance common projects and to support common activities.
 - "RD50 common projects" receive a financial contribution from the CF within rules defined in the MOU. Remaining costs are shared between the institutions participating in the project.
 - Most RD50 projects are performed as in-kind contributions supported by other funding (national funding agencies, successful competitive funding proposals,....).
 - RD50 is planning to continue this funding concept.
- **Resources from CERN (Host lab) (as previous years)**
 - Access to EP-DT facilities: Irradiation facilities, Bond Lab, Solid State Detector Lab,...
 - Administrative support at CERN through EP-DT secretariat
- **Acknowledgement:**
 - The CERN RD50 team is supported through the EP Department and looking forward to participate in the CERN EP R&D program for future experiments.

Spare Slides

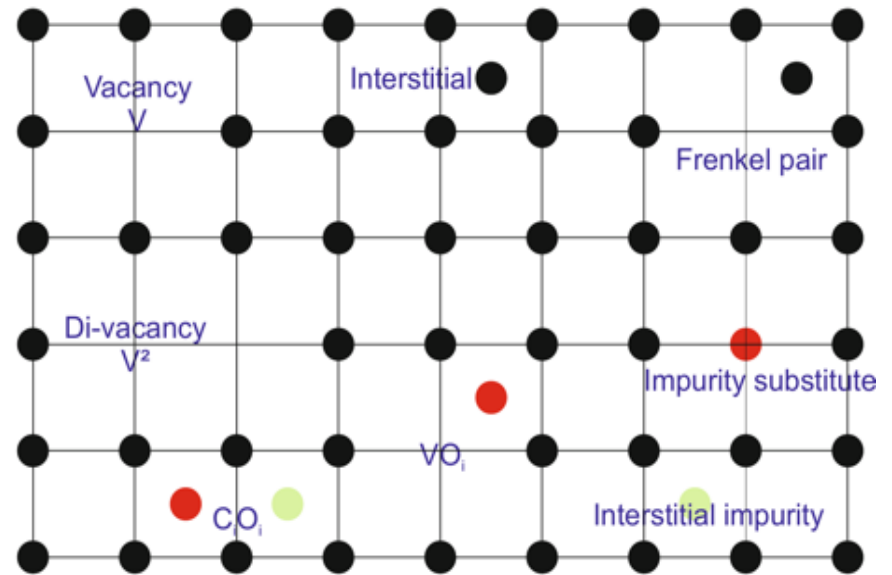
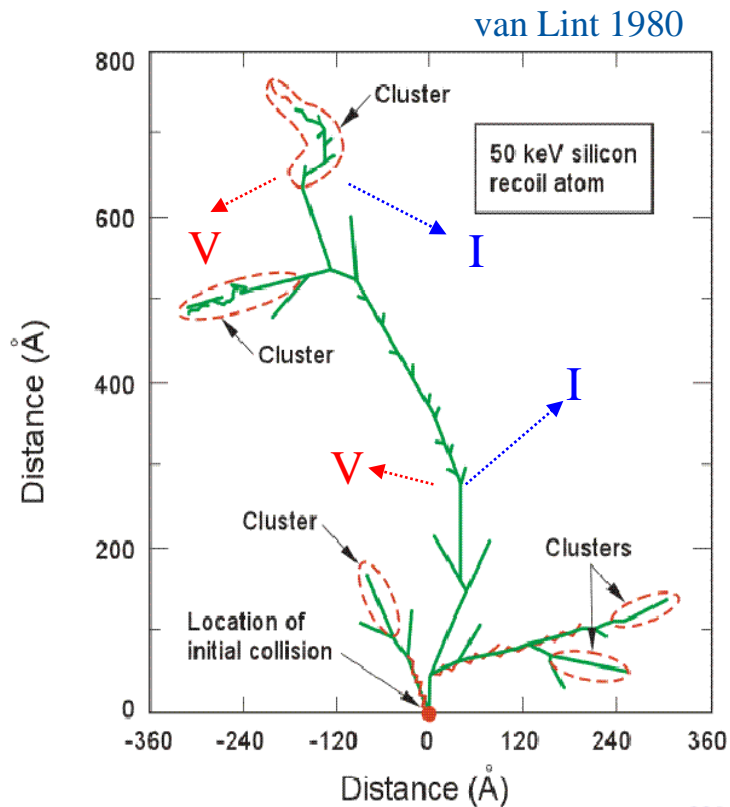
Recent results 2018/19

Displacement Damage



• Mechanism:

- Primary interaction generates displacements (vacancies & interstitials)
- **Vacancies** and **Interstitials** migrate, either recombine (~90%) or migrate and form stable defects (point and cluster defects)

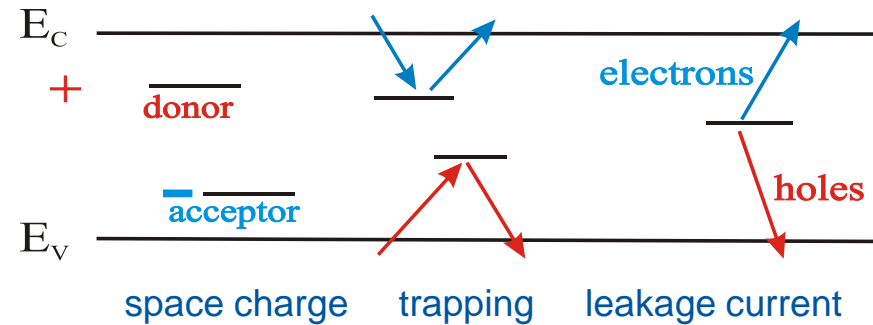


Defect Characterization



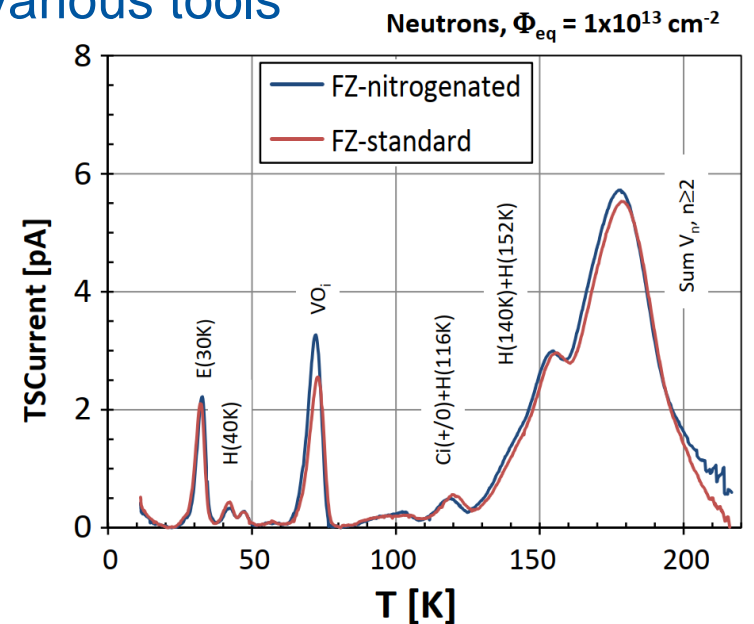
• Aim of defect studies:

- Identify defects responsible for Change of N_{eff} , Change of E-Field, Trapping, Leakage Current
- Understand if knowledge can be used to mitigate radiation damage (e.g. defect engineering)
- Deliver input for device simulations to predict detector performance under various conditions



• Method: Defect Analysis performed with various tools

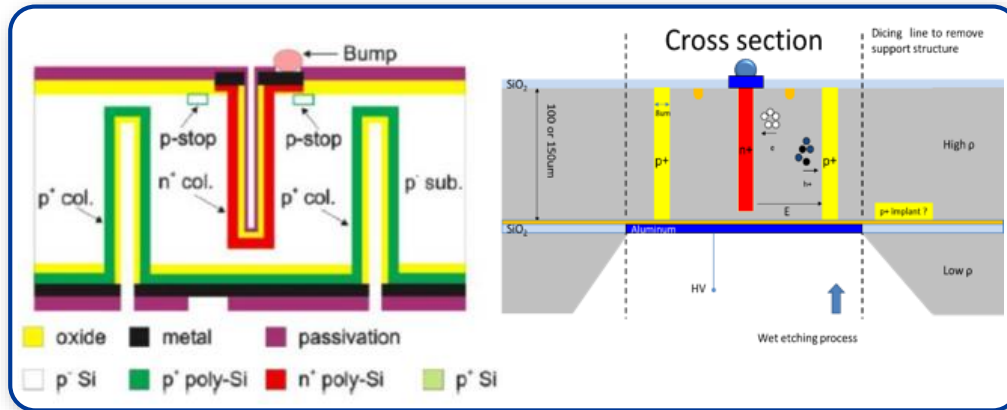
- **DLTS** (Deep Level Transient Spectroscopy)
- **TSC** (Thermally Stimulated Currents)
- **PITS** (Photo Induced Transient Spectroscopy)
- **FTIR** (Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy)
- **EPR** (Electron Paramagnetic Resonance)
- **TCT** (Transient Current Technique)
- **CV/IV** (Capacitance/Current-Voltage Measurement)
- **MW-PC** (Microwave Probed Photo Conductivity)
- **PC, RL, I-DLTS, TEM, ... and simulations**
- RD50: several hundred samples irradiated with protons, neutrons, electrons and $^{60}\text{Co-}\gamma$



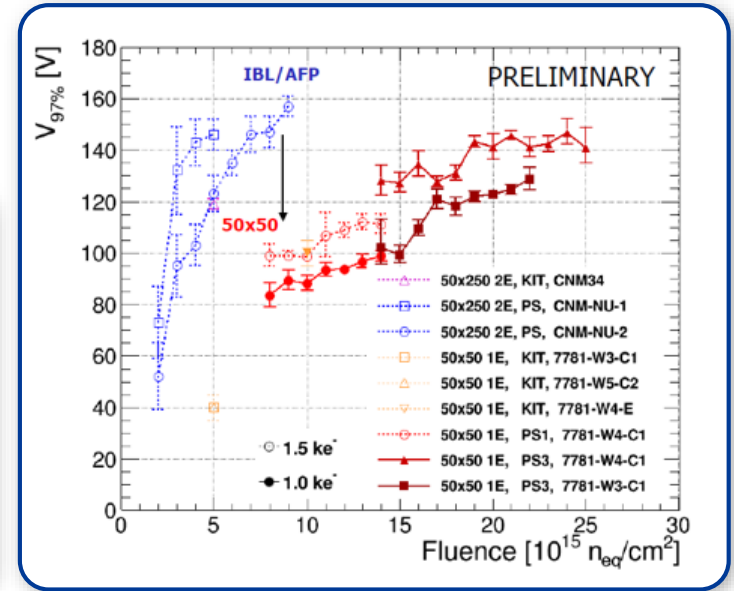
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3D $V_{97\%}$ versus fluence

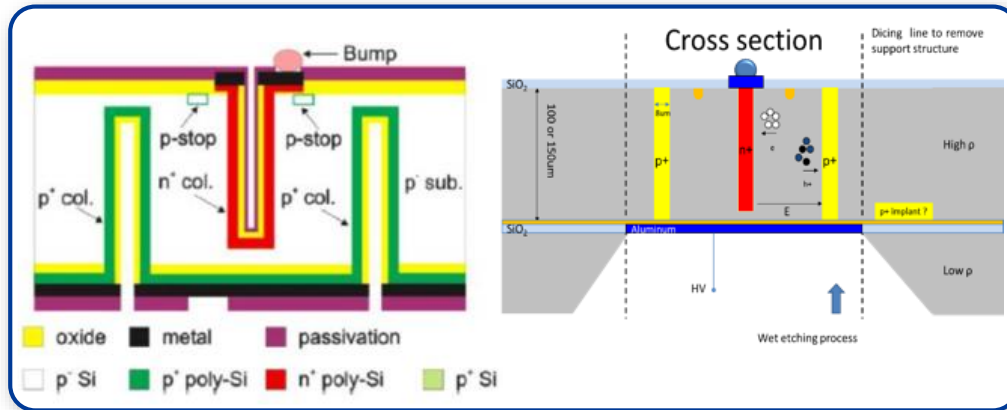


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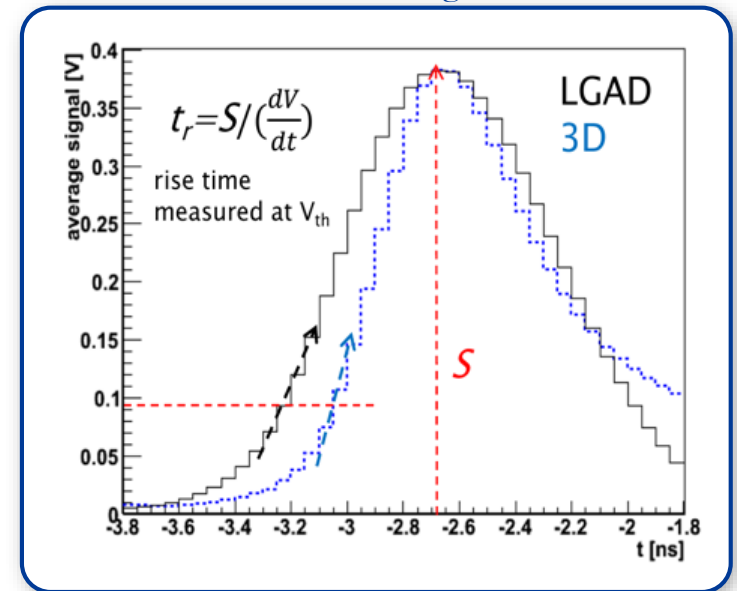
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*see G. Kramberger presentation at TREDI workshop 2019



3D / LGAD signals



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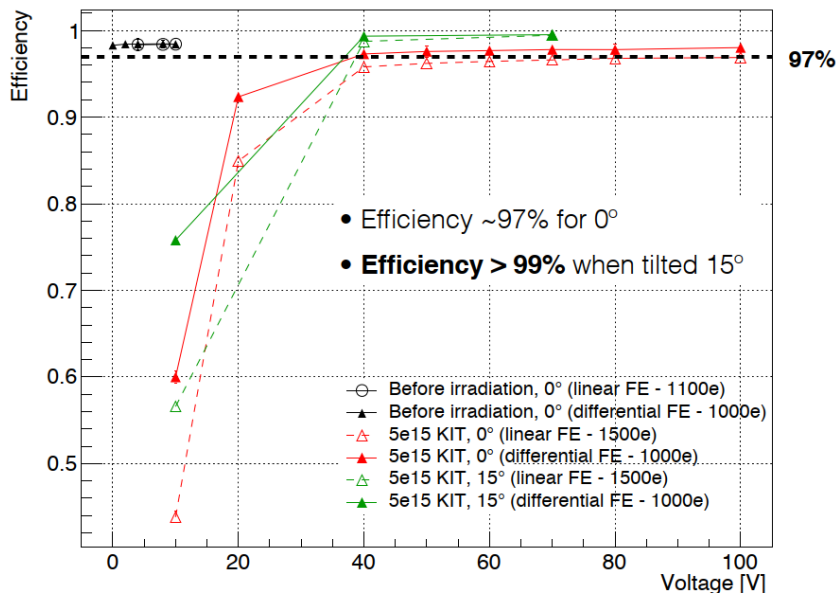
3D sensors for ATLAS/CMS



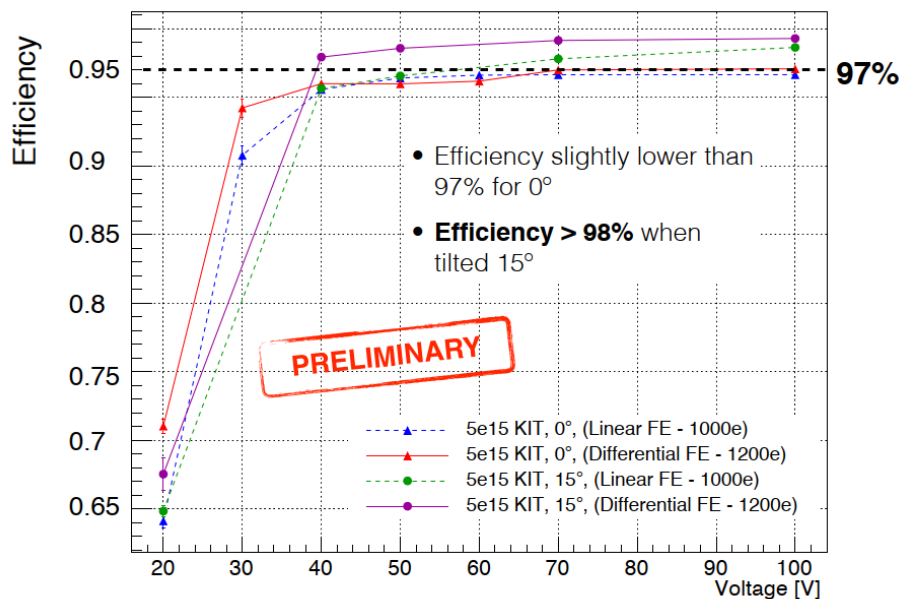
- Test beam at CERN (ATLAS, RD50, AIDA)

- 3D detectors (150 μm) show outstanding radiation tolerance of all the different cell layouts
- Hit efficiencies after qualification fluence of $5\text{E}15 n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ (protons, KIT)
 - 97% at 0°; 99% at 15° (>50V) for the 50x50 μm electrode
 - 97% at 0°; 98% at 15° (>70V) for the and for 25x100 μm electrode

RD53A 3D CNM **50x50 μm^2** ; 150 μm ; $5\text{e}15 n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ (KIT)



RD53A 3D CNM **25x100 μm^2 (1E)**; 150 μm ; $5\text{e}15 n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ (KIT)



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3D sensors for ATLAS/CMS



- Test beam at CERN (CMS, RD50, AIDA, RD53)

Conclusion: 3D detectors show outstanding radiation tolerance of all the different cell layouts at $1E16n_{eq}/cm^2$. Hit efficiency is 96,6% at 0° and 124V bias voltage for the 25×100 (1E) electrode and 97.5% at 0° and 150V after qualification fluence of $1E16n_{eq}/cm^2$.

