

# Laboratory Measurements of FBK Trench-Isolated LGADs in Torino

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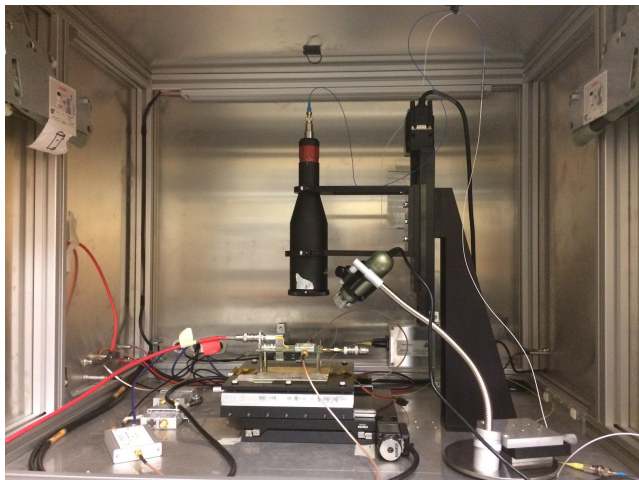
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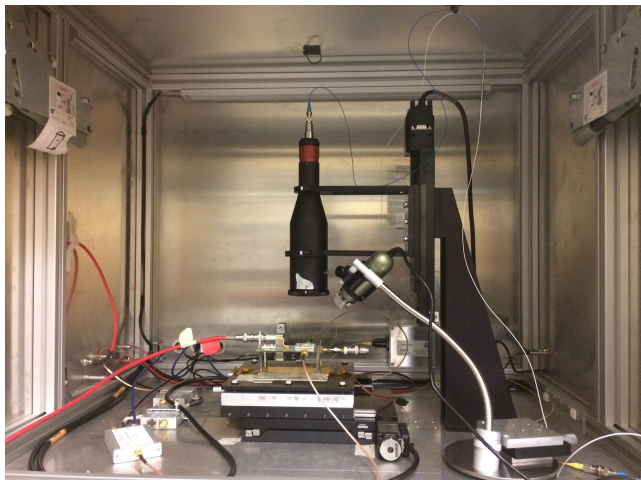
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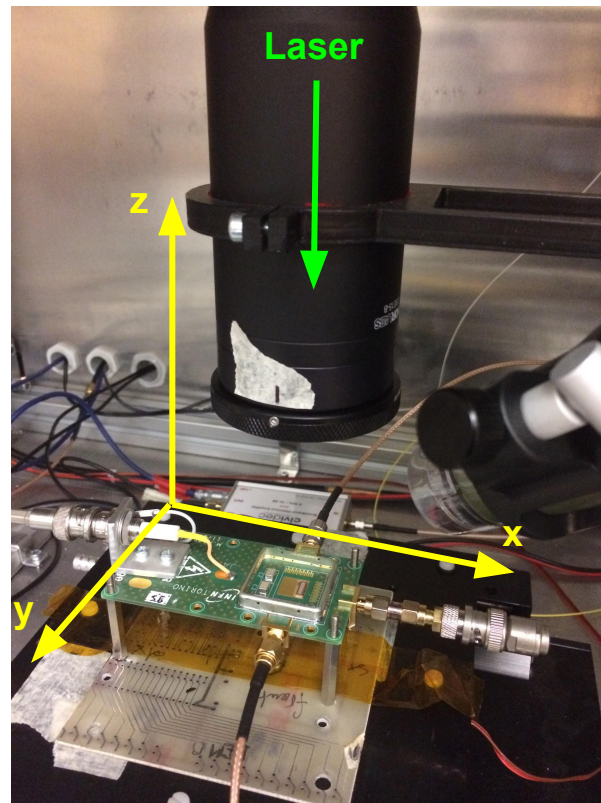
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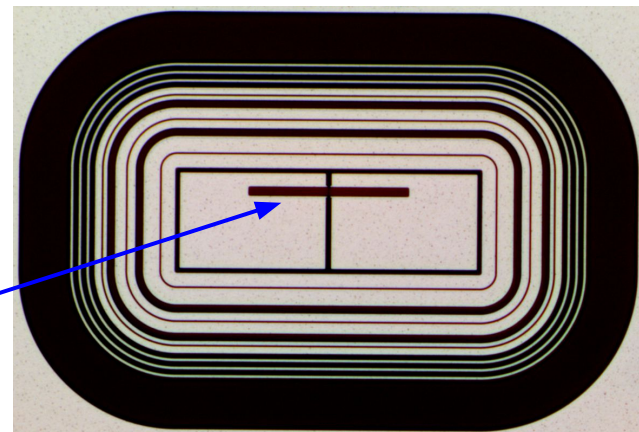
- IR pulsed **laser** (1060 nm) → **10-15  $\mu\text{m}$  spot**
- xy-stage with sub- $\mu\text{m}$  precision
- Stage control and DAQ via Labview software



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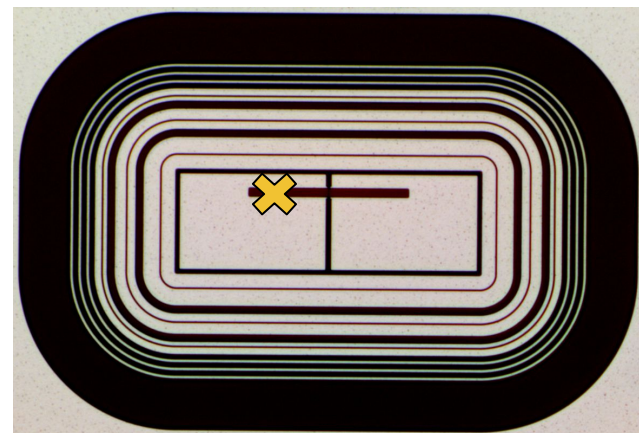
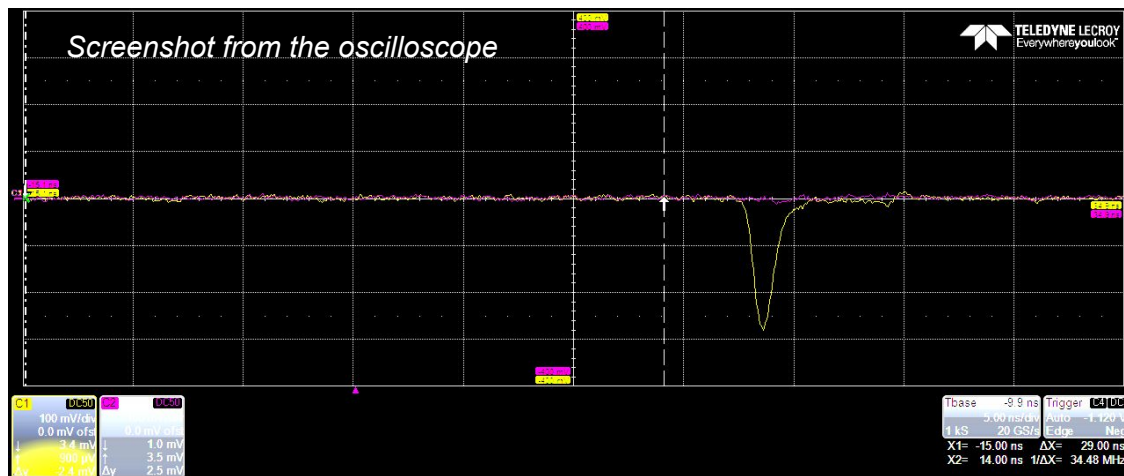
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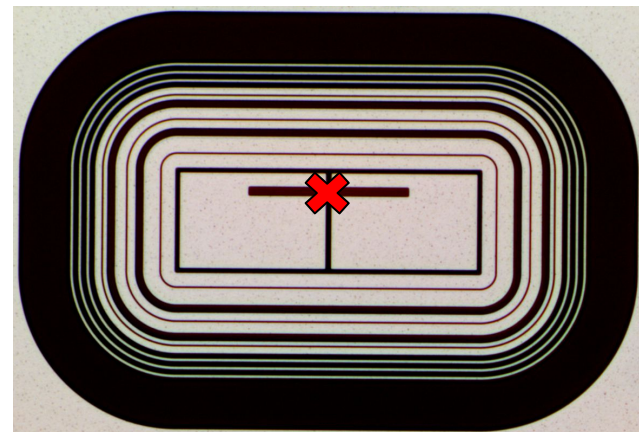
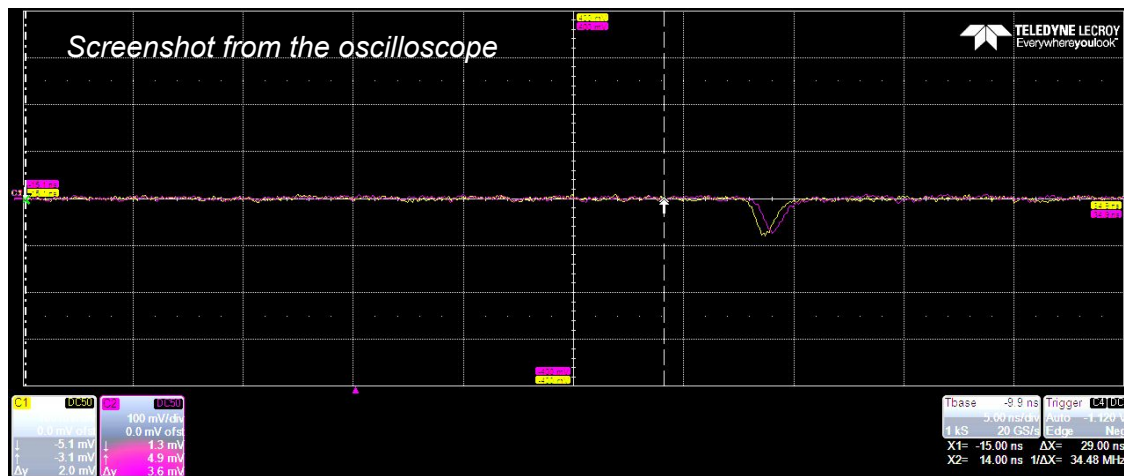


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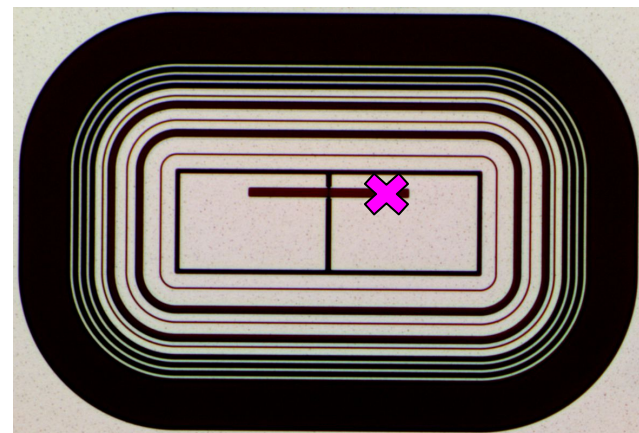
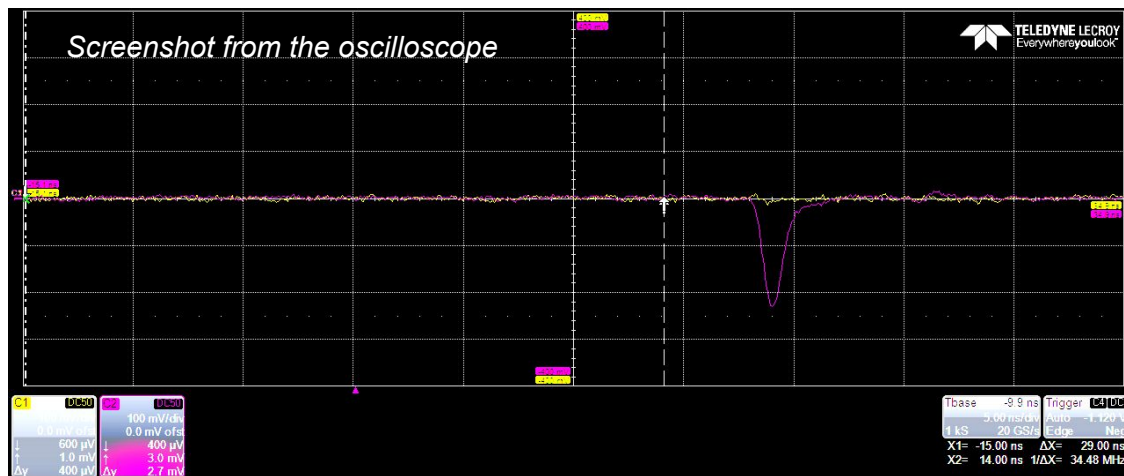
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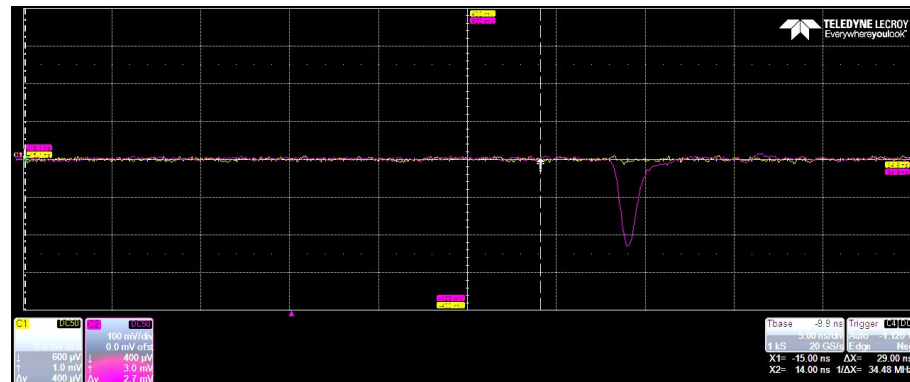
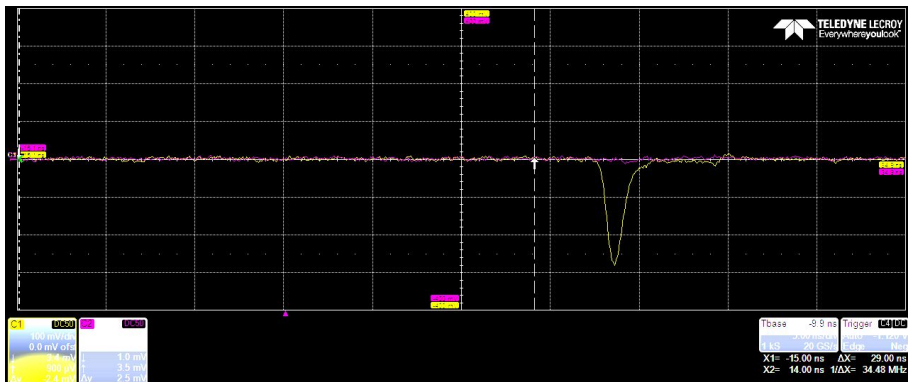


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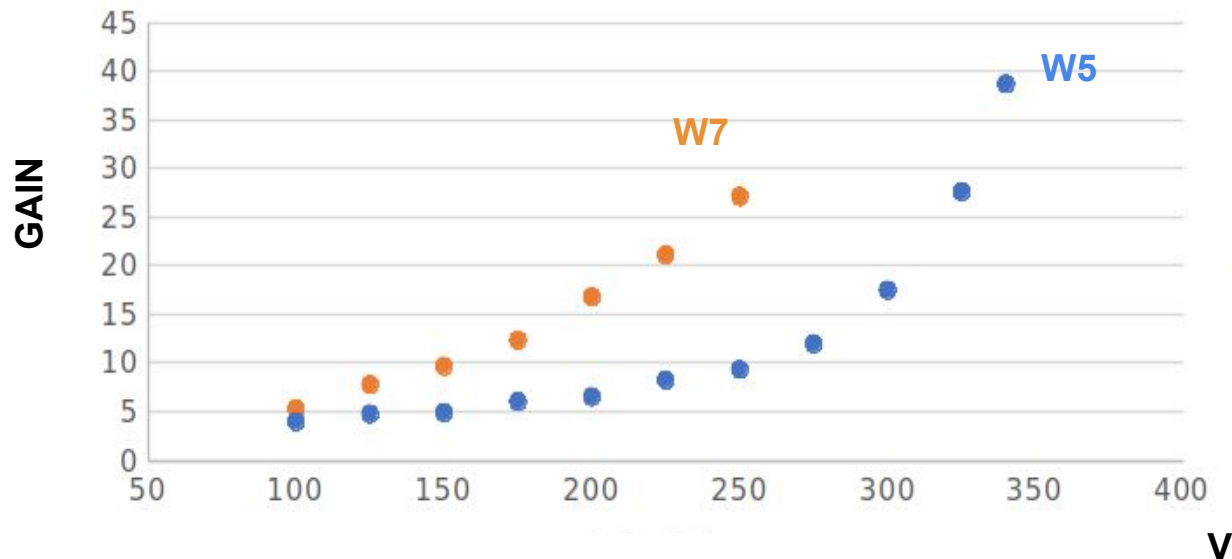
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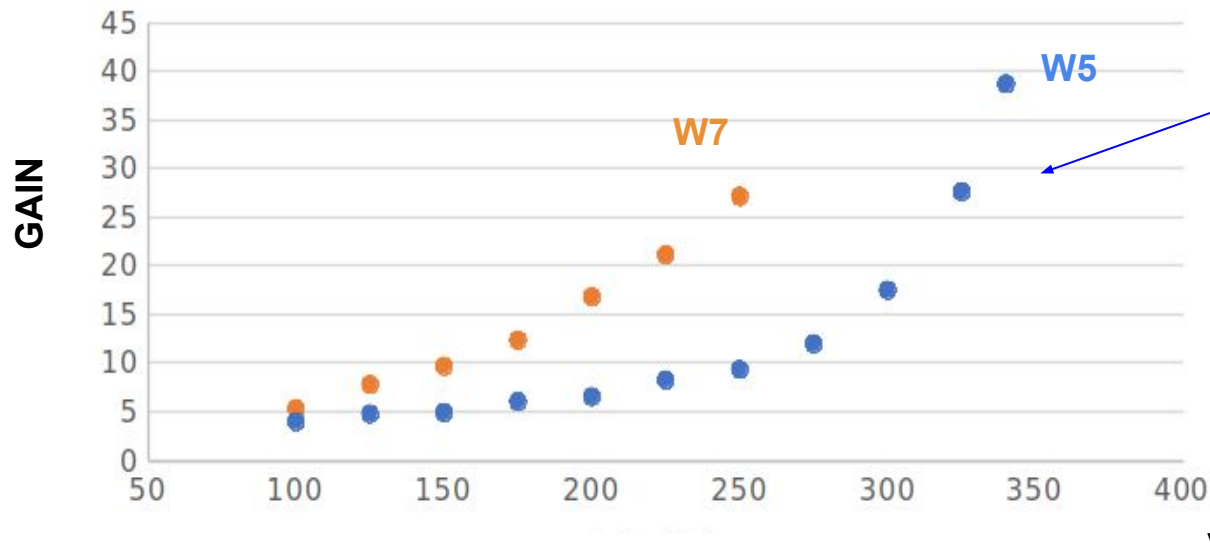
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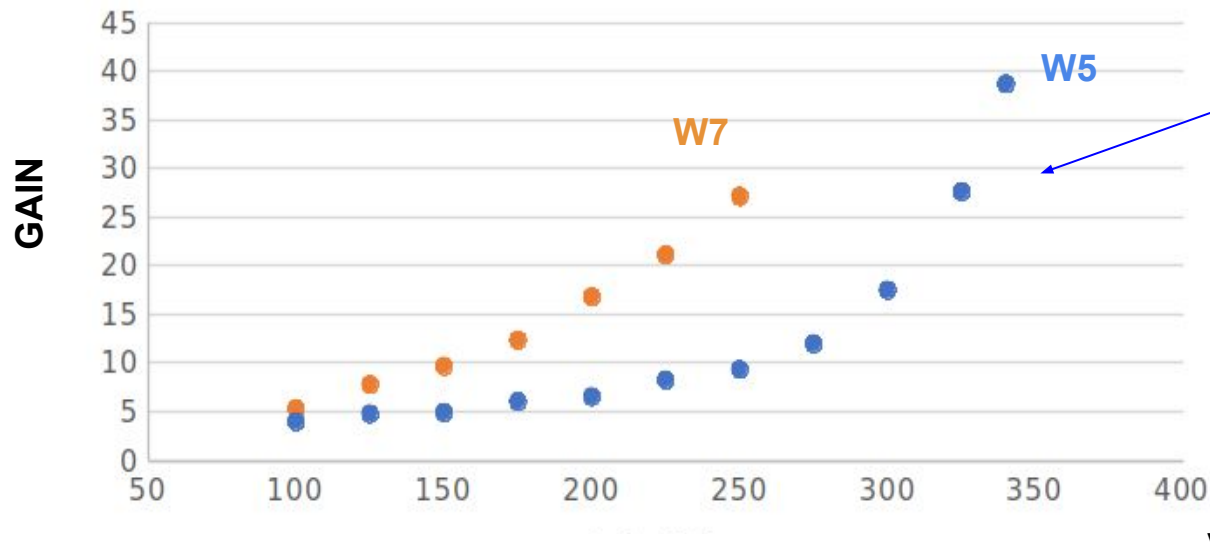
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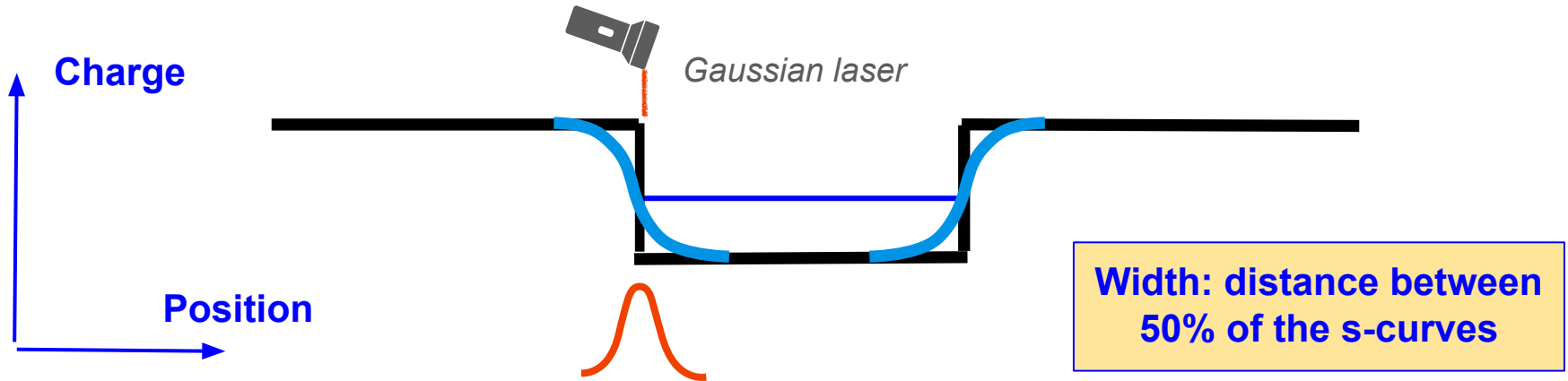


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**W7 more doped than W5**  
 $\rightarrow$  **steeper curve as expected**

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- We measured the inactive area width of the tested sensors with the TCT
- **Get the width** by scanning two nearby pads → **charge vs position**

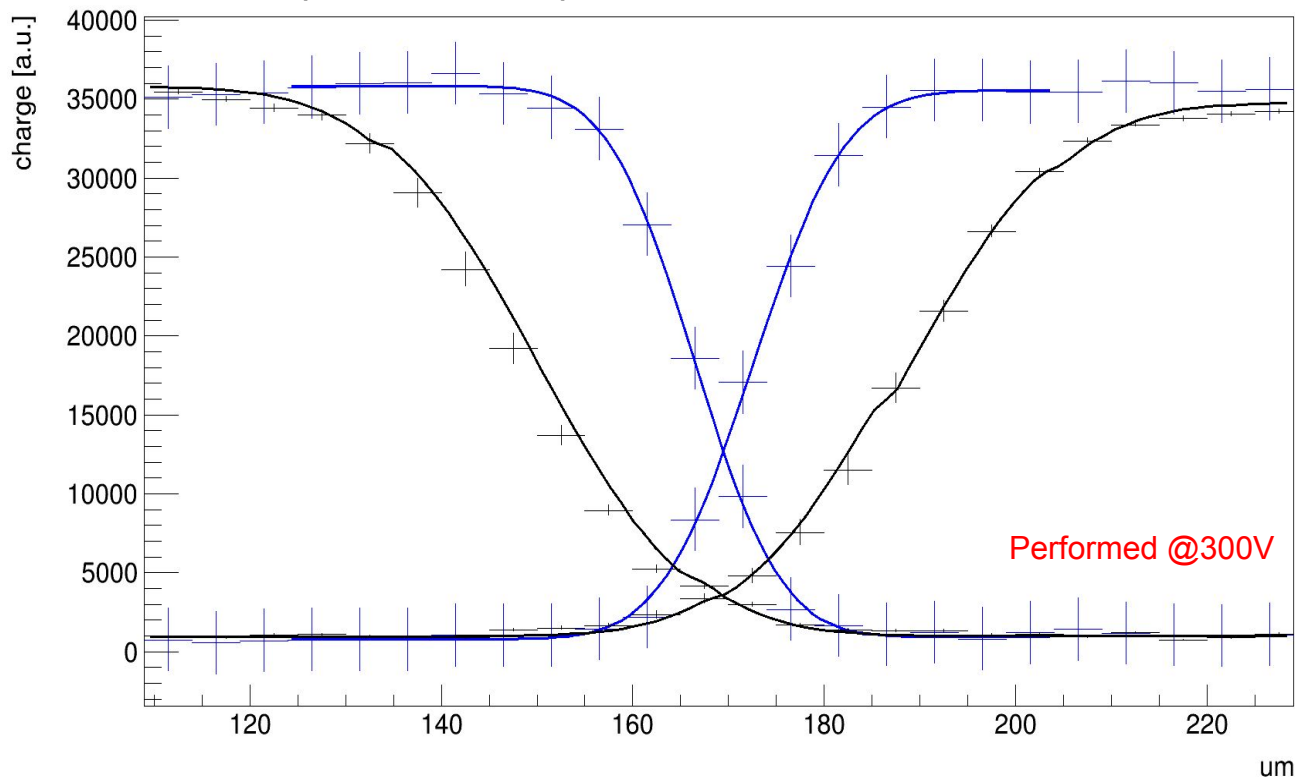


→ The profile is a convolution of the step function with a gaussian (= **s-curve**)



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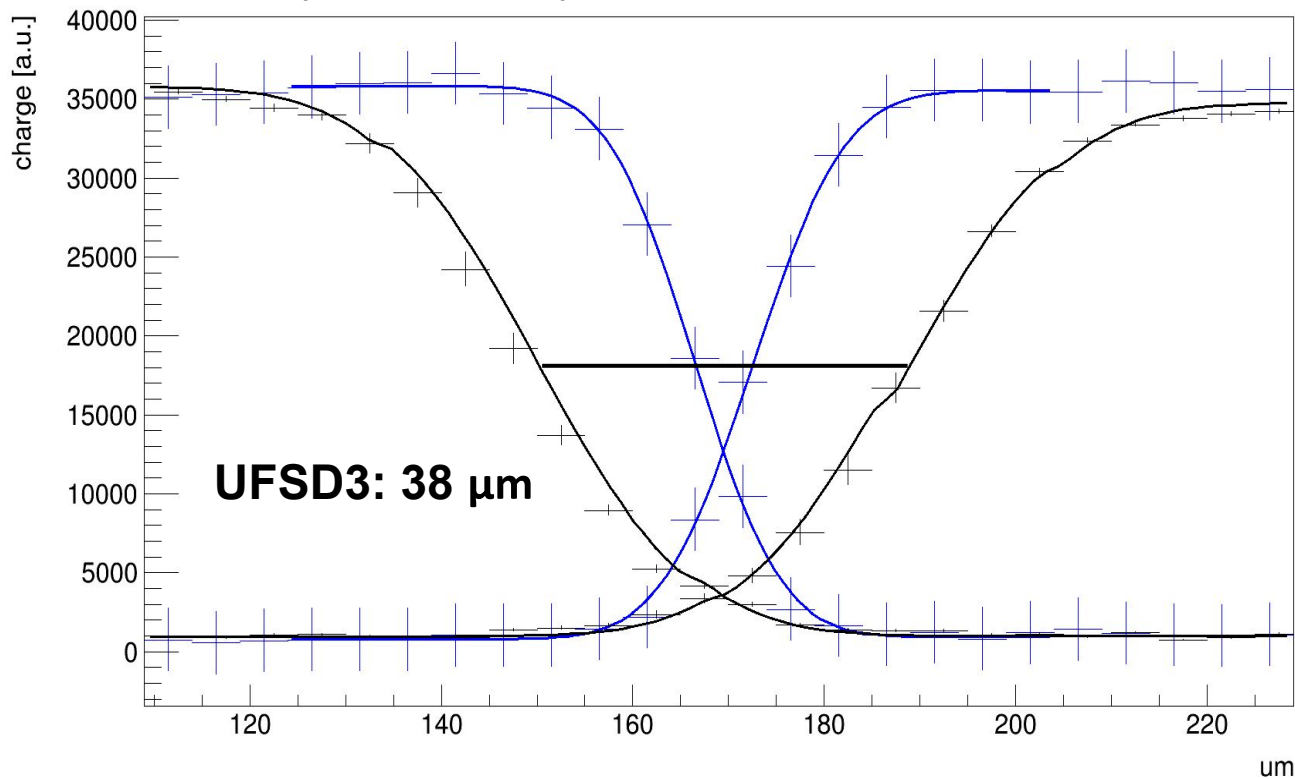
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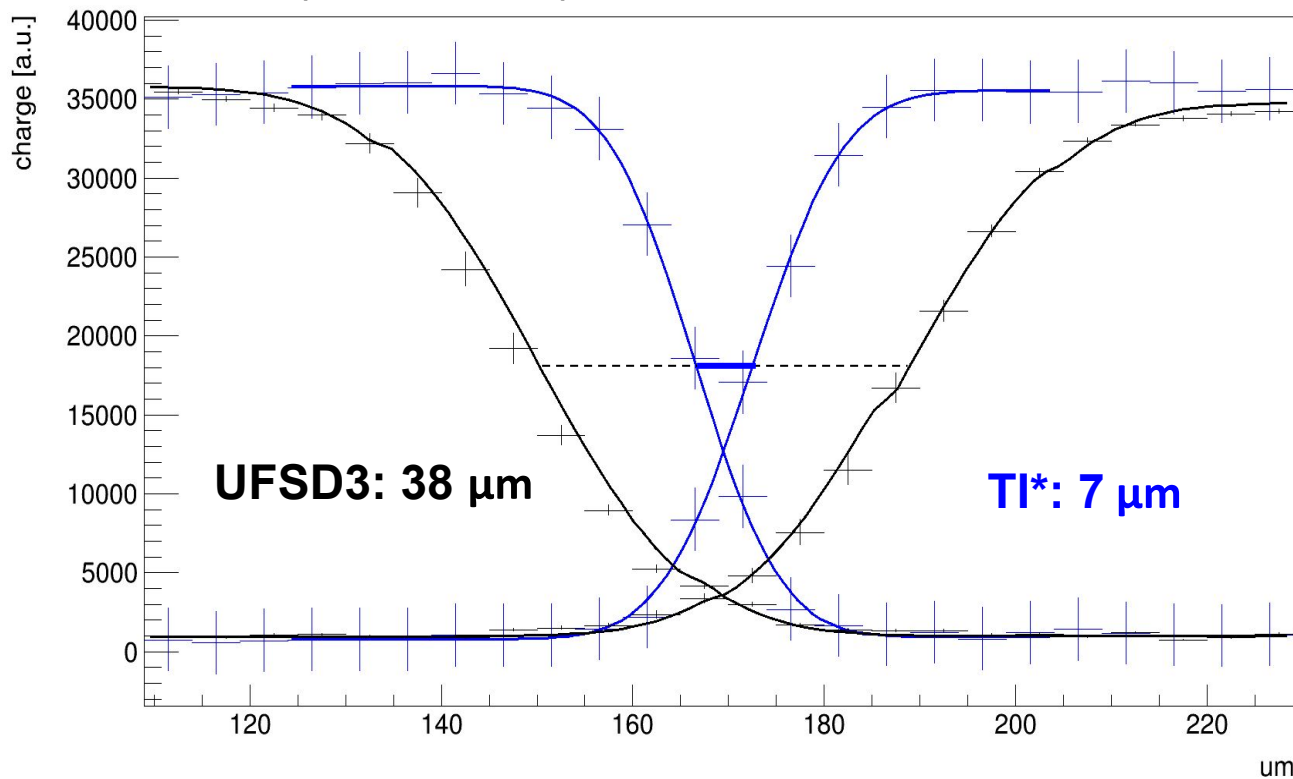
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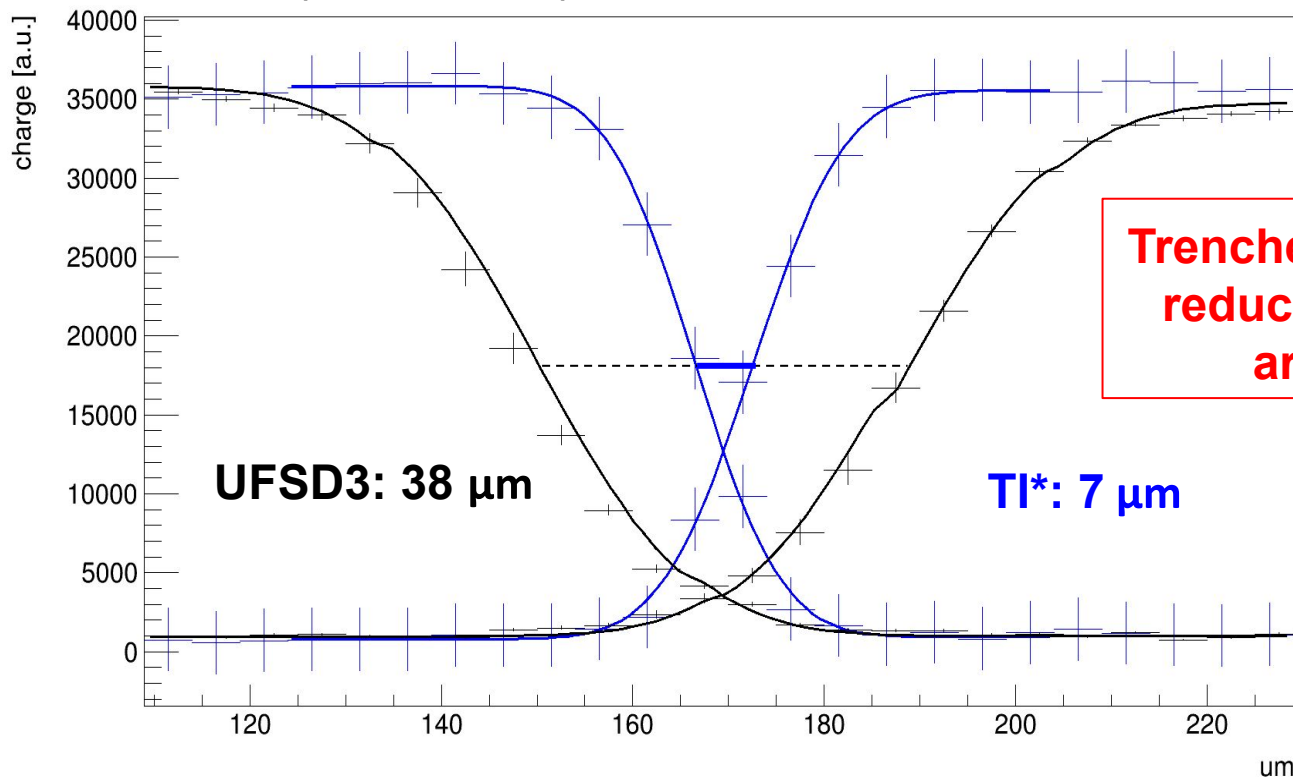


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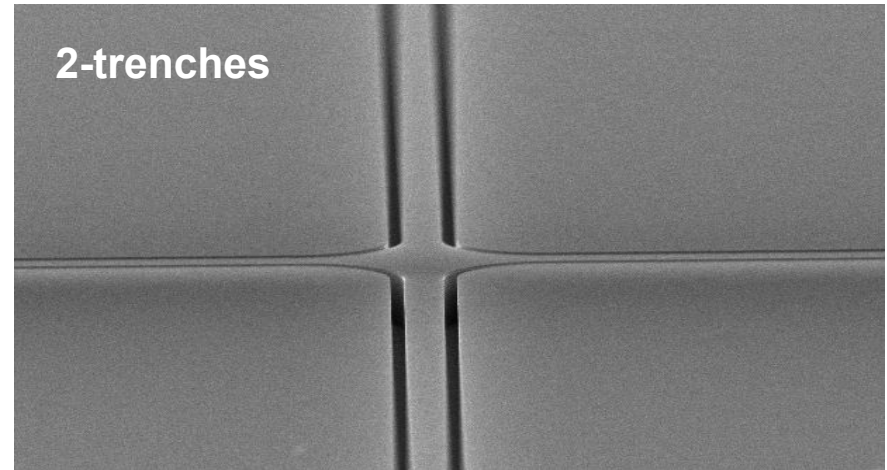
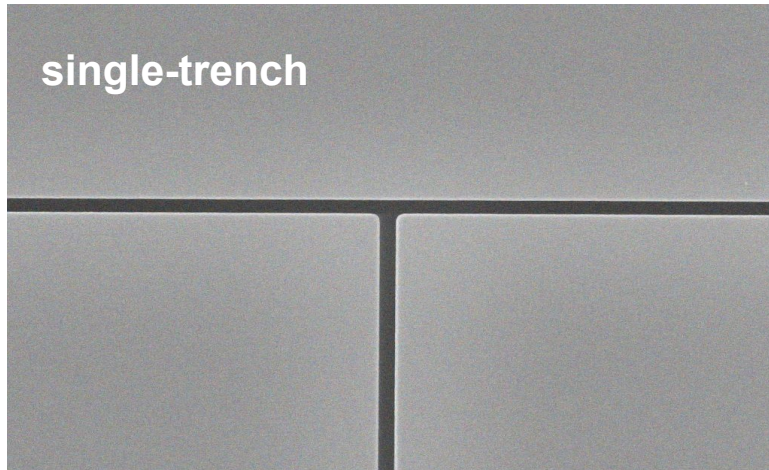
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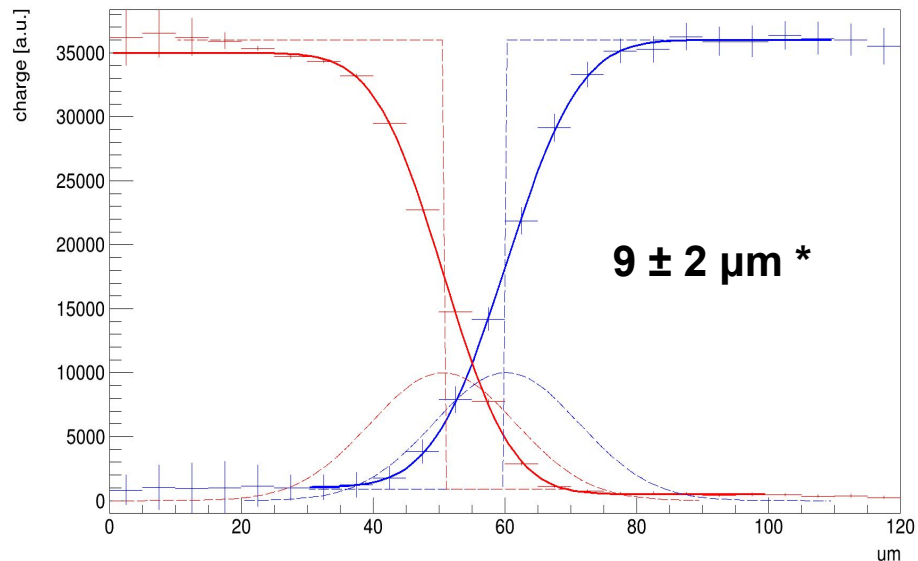


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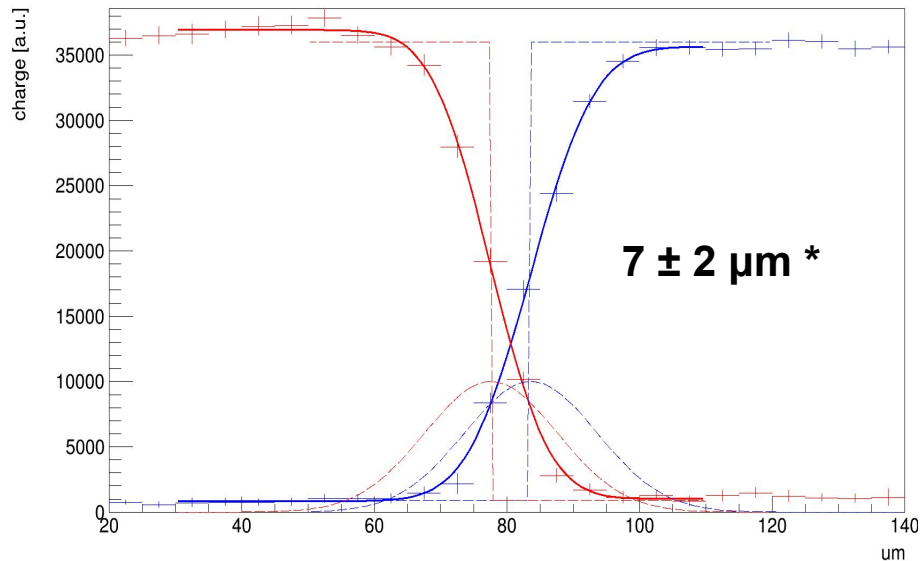
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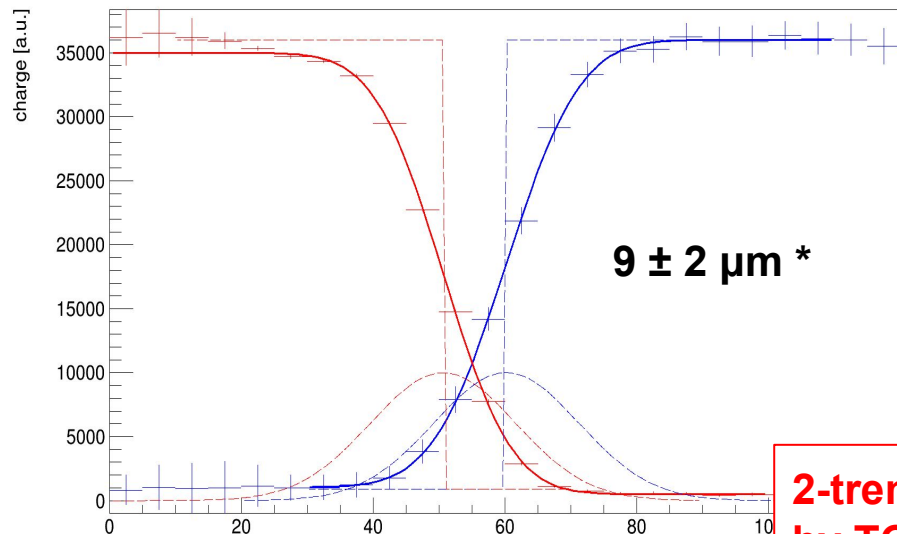
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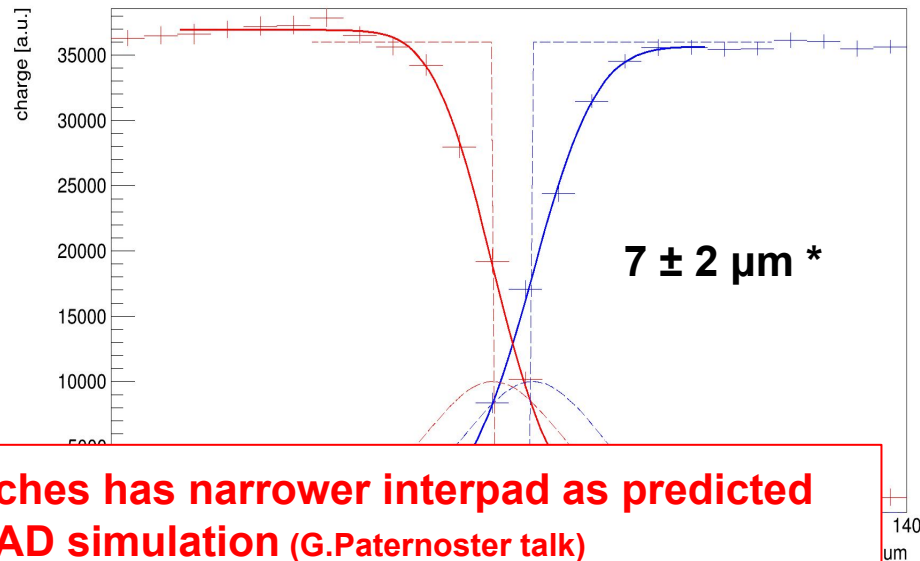
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**2-trenches has narrower interpad as predicted by TCAD simulation (G.Paternoster talk)**

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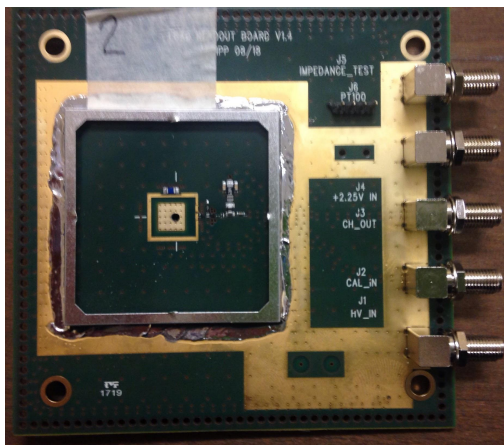
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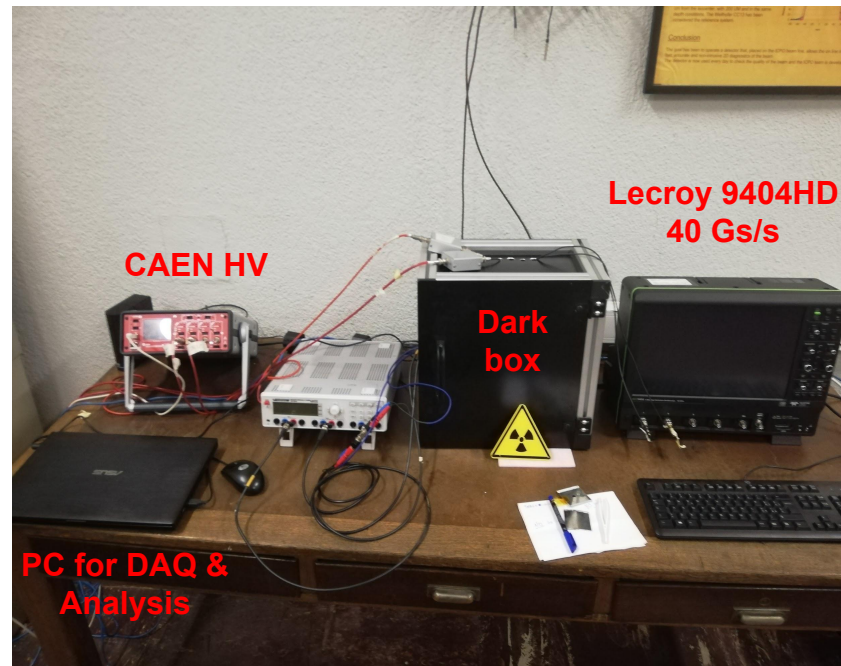
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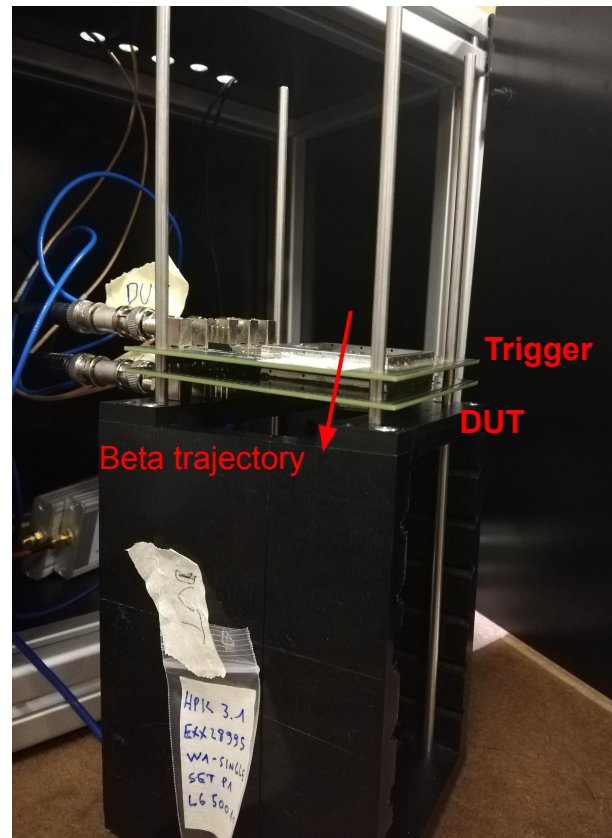
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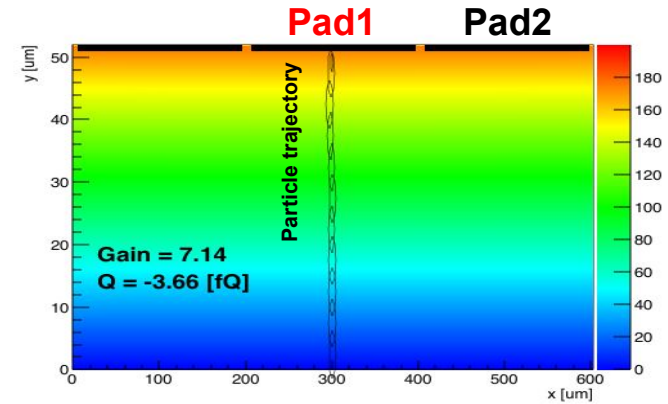






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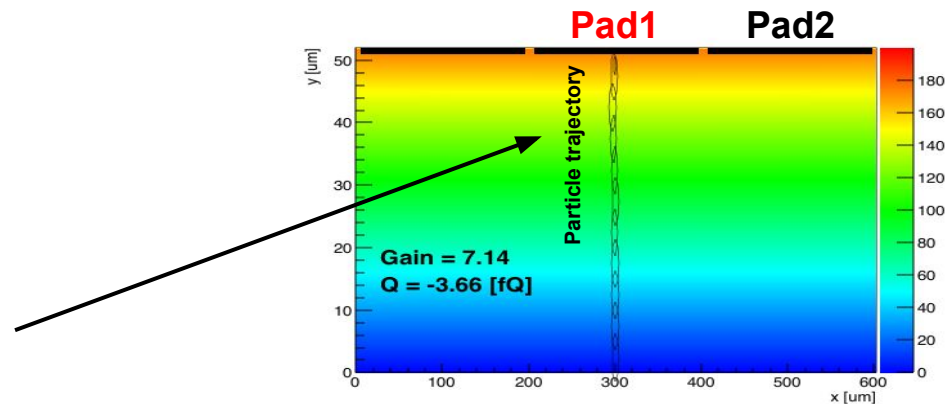
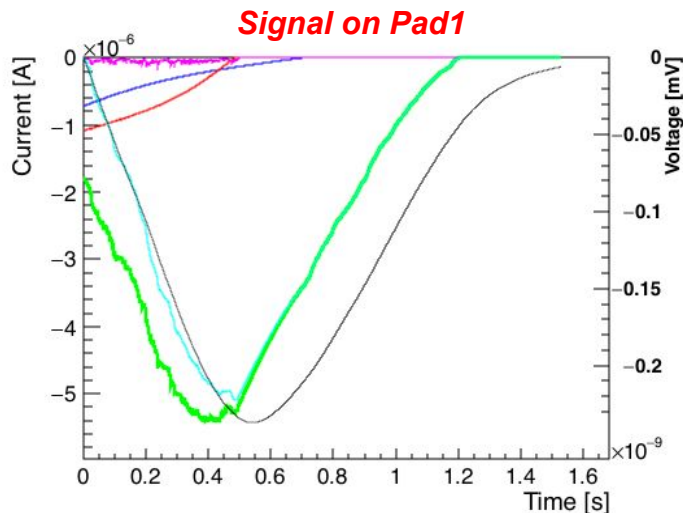
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Simulated with **WeightField2** ( <http://personalpages.to.infn.it/~cartigli/Weightfield2/Main.html> )

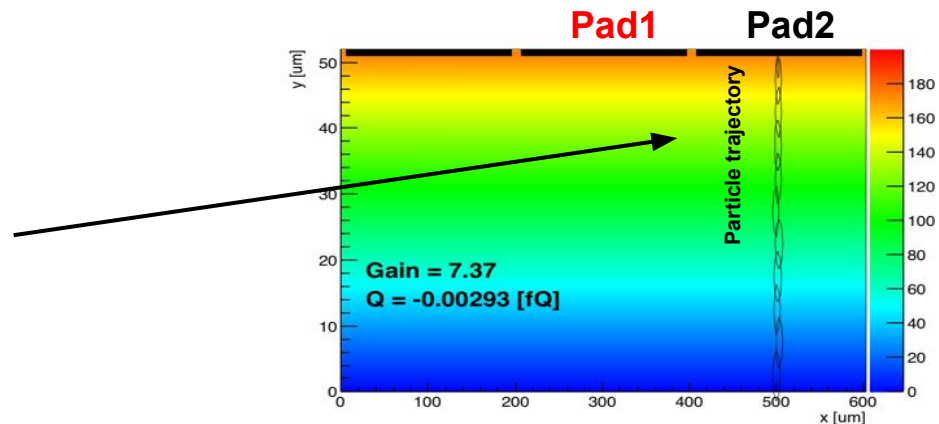
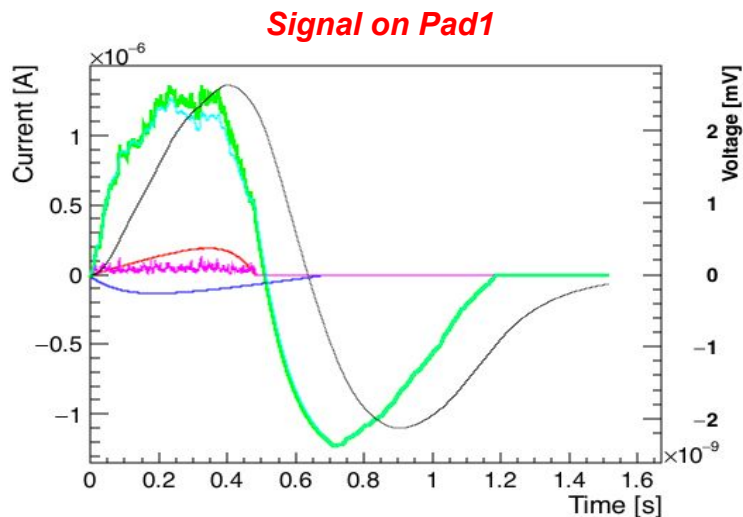
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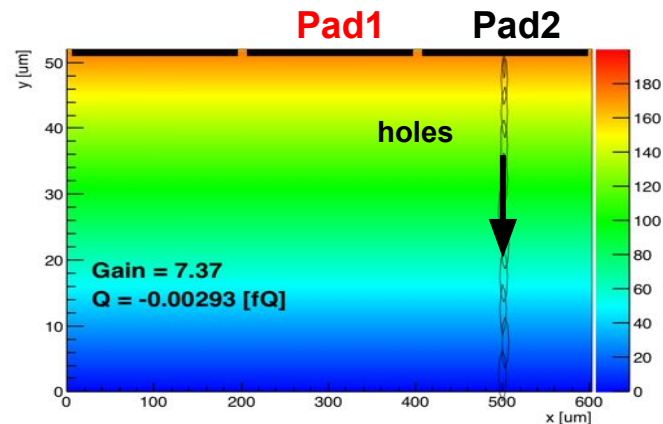
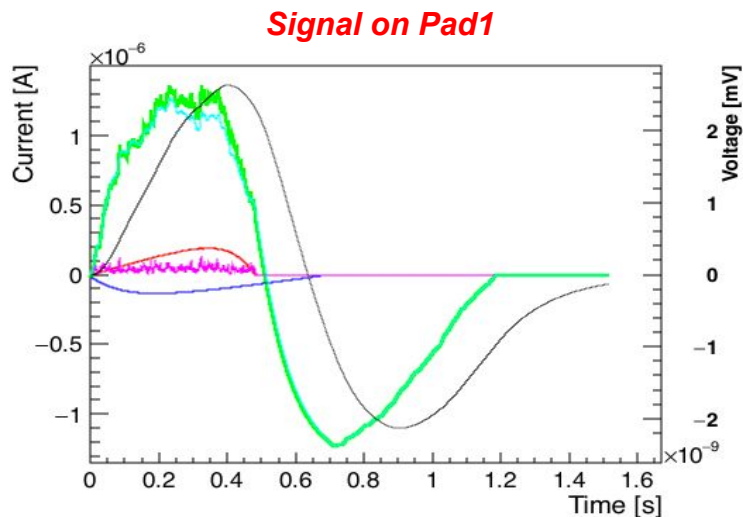
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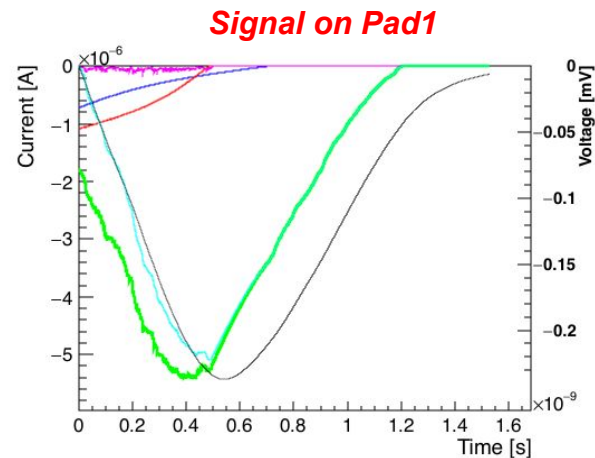
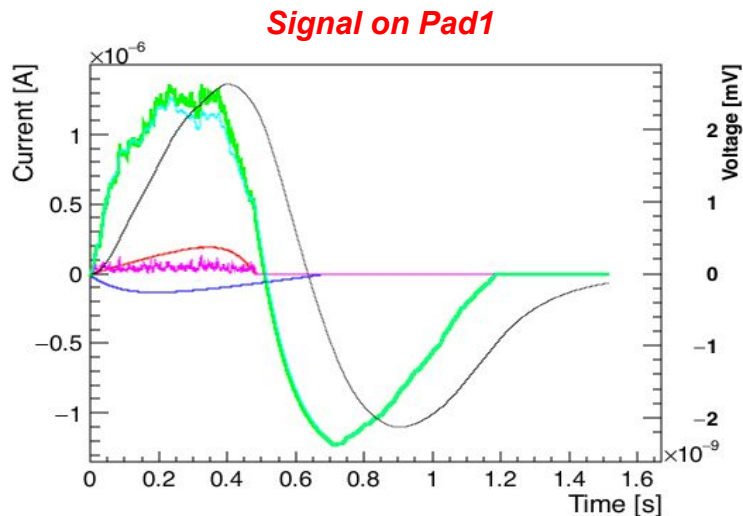
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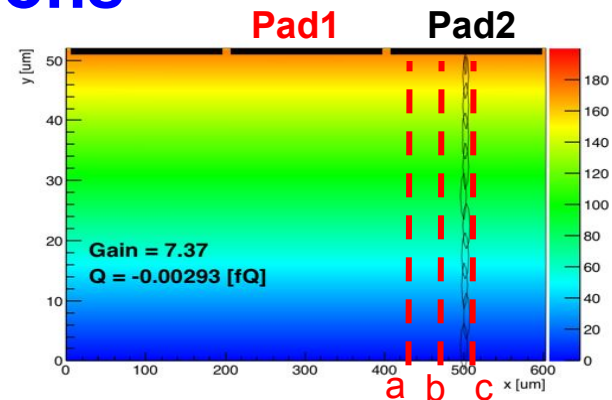
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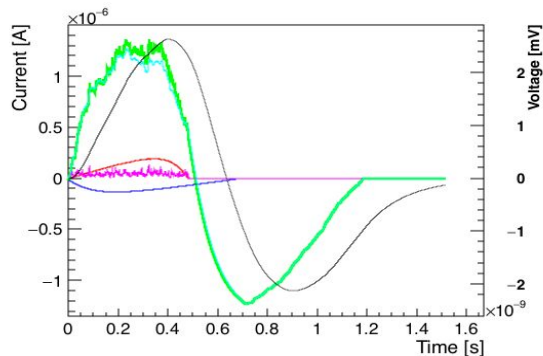
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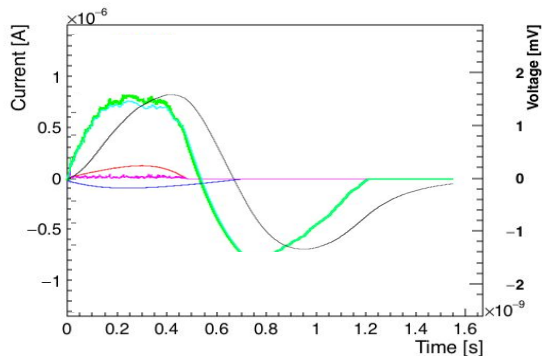
- Bipolar signal on Pad1 gets smaller as the particle crossing Pad2 moves further
- Disappear at about 100 $\mu\text{m}$  from center of inactive region (“mid gap”)



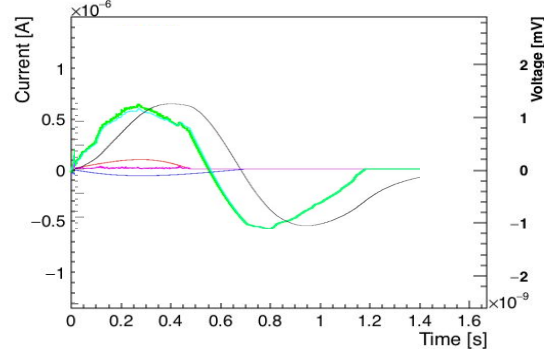
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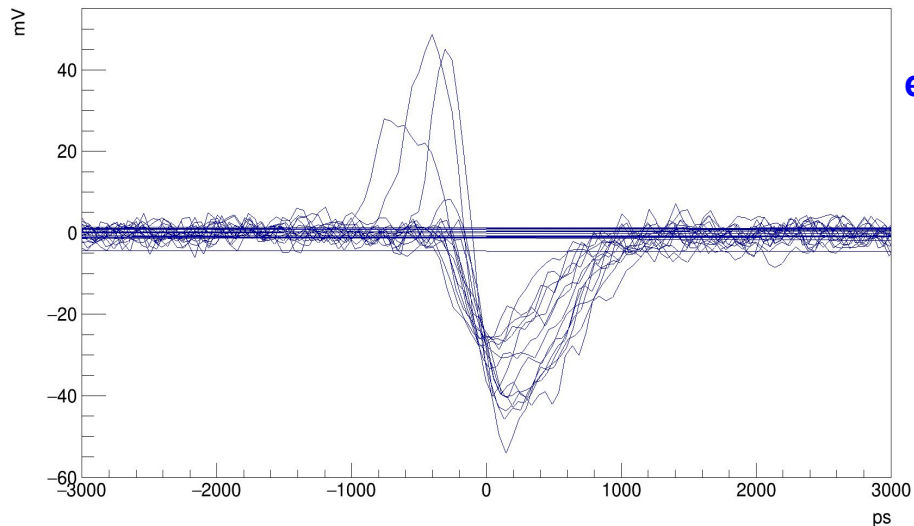


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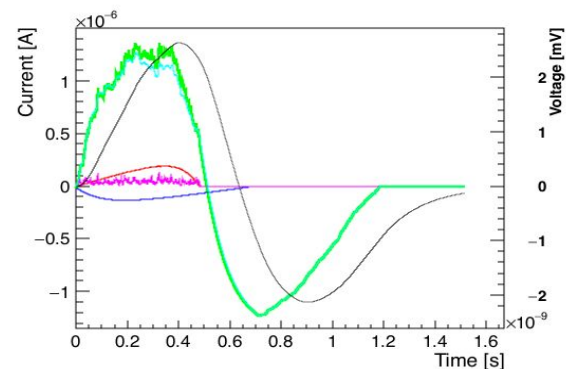


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Signals on Pad1 when particles hits Pad2



Confirmed by  
experimental data!



- Effect **not seen in standard LGADs** because of the much wider distance between gain regions
- This is an important **proof of the very narrow gap separating active areas in TI-LGAD**



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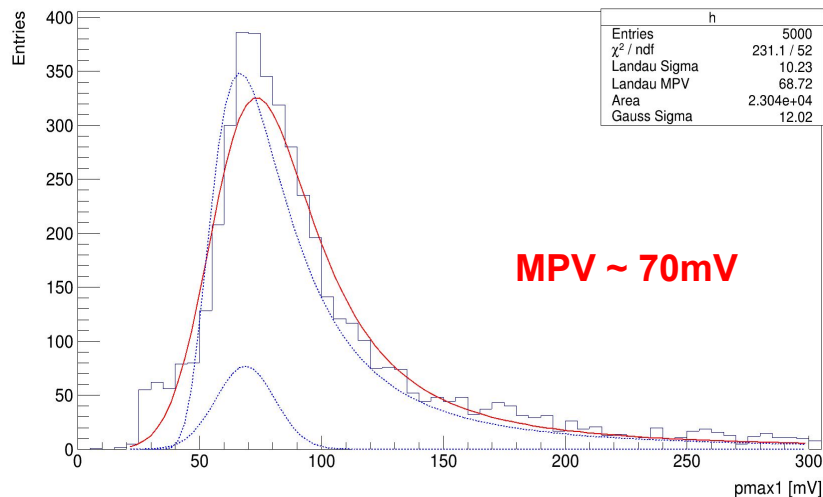


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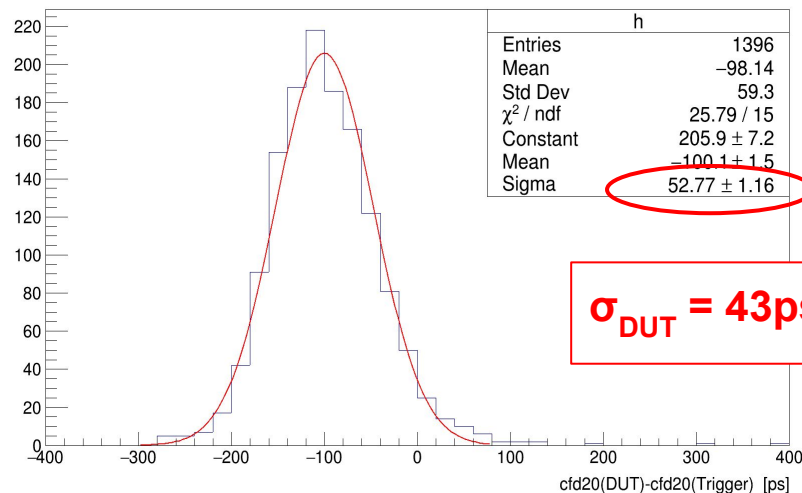
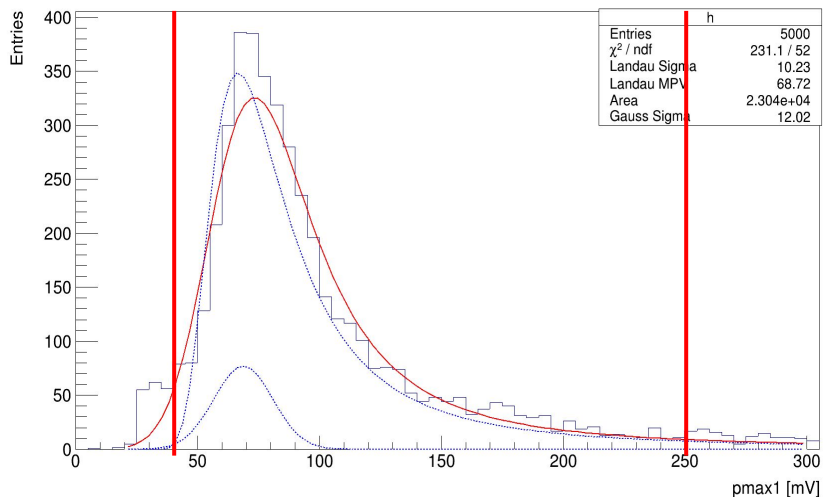


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# Conclusion

- Trench-Isolated LGADs are innovative detectors with a significantly improved fill factor compared to standard LGADs
- An extensive testing campaign has been carried on in the laboratory of Innovative Silicon Detectors of Torino University / INFN
- Laser characterization with Particulars TCT setup was performed:
  - **Pads of TI-LGAD devices are isolated** → trenches work well
  - TI-LGADs exhibits gain as standard LGADs
  - **Inactive area width of only 7-9 $\mu$ m** almost a factor 5 less than standard LGADs
- **Time resolution of 43ps achieved** with Sr90 source

→ **A promising detector for future experiments requiring very high fill factor!!!**

**Thank You!**



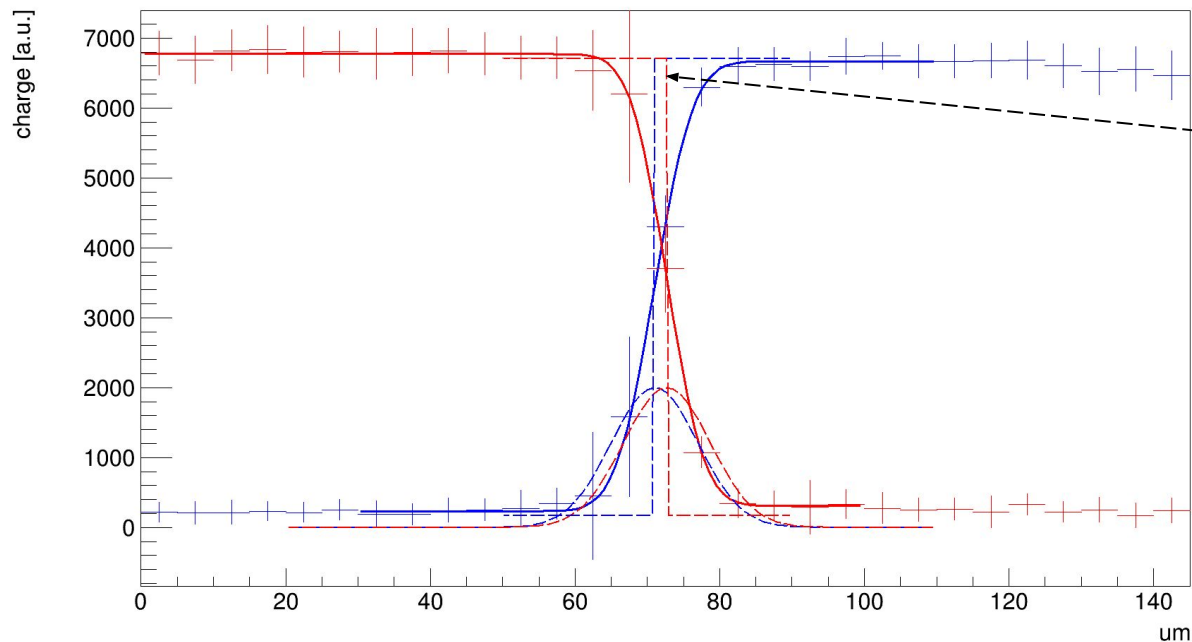
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**Backup**

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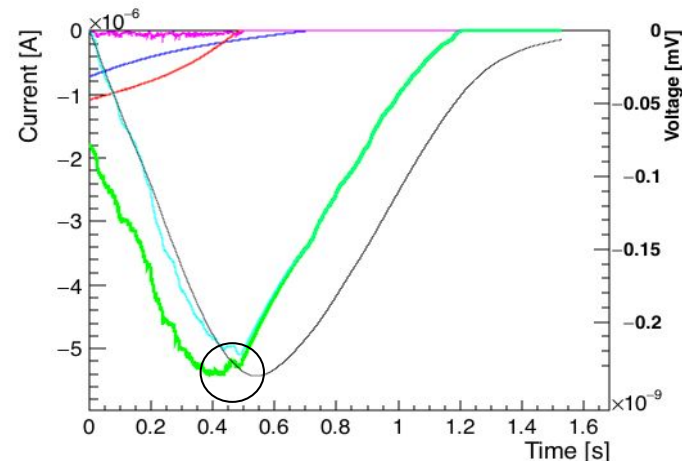
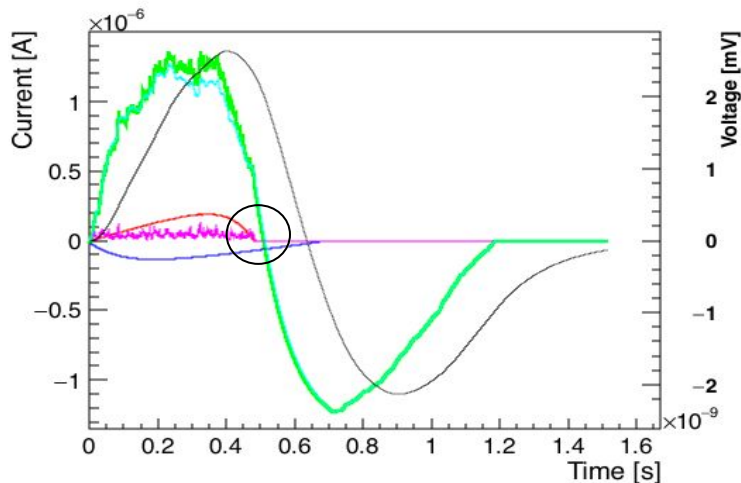
TI PiN(Type 1) Interpad Distance



Attempt to measure interpad of a no-gain structure:

- Interpad is negative ( $-2 \pm 2 \mu\text{m}$ )  
→ compatible with  $0 \mu\text{m}$
- The limit of the system is reached
- **A  $0 \mu\text{m}$  interpad can be measured with TCT**

# Comparison of measured signals with simulation predictions



- Same duration, standard LGAD signal  $\sim$  symmetric in time  $\rightarrow$  end of positive lobe at signal maximum (reasonable)
- Signal max when last electron reaches GL  $\rightarrow$  end of charge production  $\rightarrow$  bipolar signal goes to zero (no variation in time, bipolar signal is the derivative)