

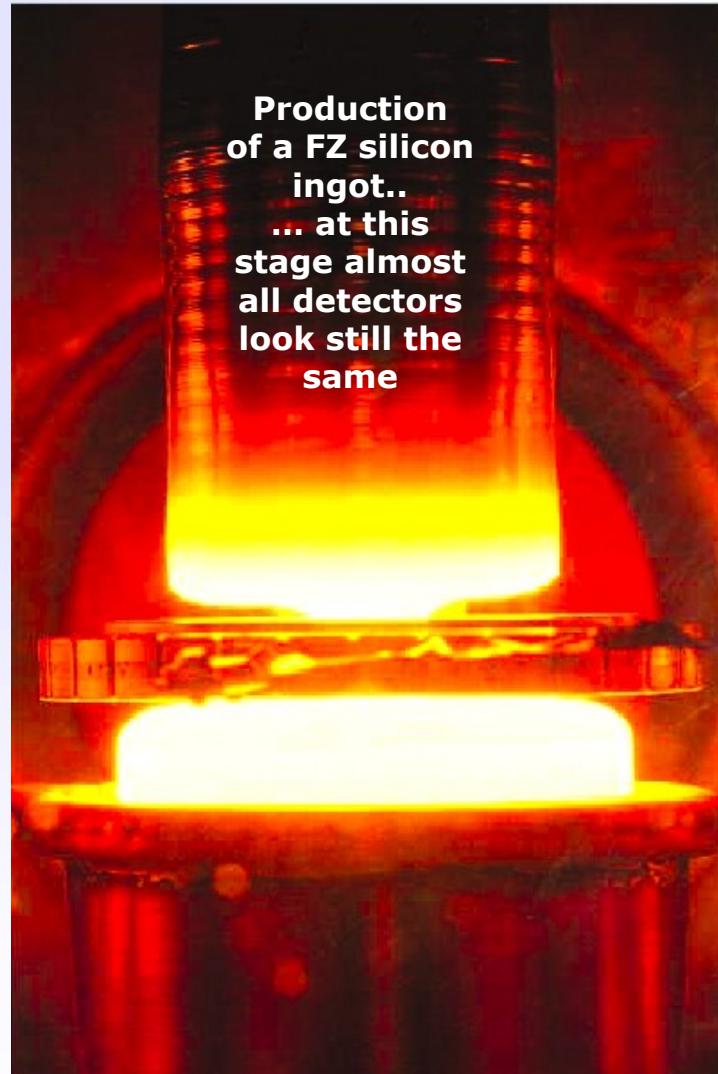


## Lecture 2b

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Solid State Detectors

# Tracking with Solid State Detectors

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## ■ Lecture 1 - Introduction

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## ■ Lecture 2 - Tracking Detectors

L. Ropelewski, M. Moll

### • 2a) Tracking with Gas detectors

### • 2b) Tracking with Solid State Detectors

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- Why use Semiconductor Detectors ?
- How are Silicon Detectors made and how do they work ?
- Detector types: Microstrip and Pixel Detectors, CCDs
- Examples: Detectors at LHC
- Radiation Damage in Silicon Detectors
- Outlook: Radiation tolerant detectors
- References

## ■ Lecture 3 - Scintillation and Photodetection

C. D'Ambrosio, T. Gys

## ■ Lecture 4 - Calorimetry, Particle ID

C. Joram

## ■ Lecture 5 - Particle ID, Detector Systems

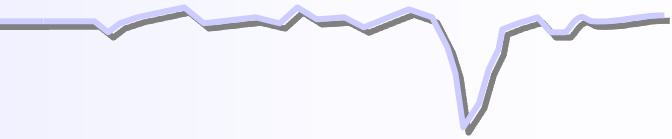
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# Solid State Detectors – Why silicon?

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## ■ Some characteristics of Silicon crystals

- Small band gap  $E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV} \Rightarrow E(\text{e-h pair}) = 3.6 \text{ eV}$  ( $\approx 30 \text{ eV}$  for gas detectors)
- High specific density  $2.33 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ;  $dE/dx$  (M.I.P.)  $\approx 3.8 \text{ MeV/cm} \approx 106 \text{ e-h}/\mu\text{m}$  (average)
- High carrier mobility  $\mu_e = 1450 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ ,  $\mu_h = 450 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$   $\Rightarrow$  fast charge collection ( $<10 \text{ ns}$ )
- Very pure  $< 1\text{ppm}$  impurities and  $< 0.1\text{ppb}$  electrical active impurities
- Rigidity of silicon allows thin self supporting structures
- Detector production by microelectronic techniques  
 $\Rightarrow$  well known industrial technology, relatively low price, small structures easily possible

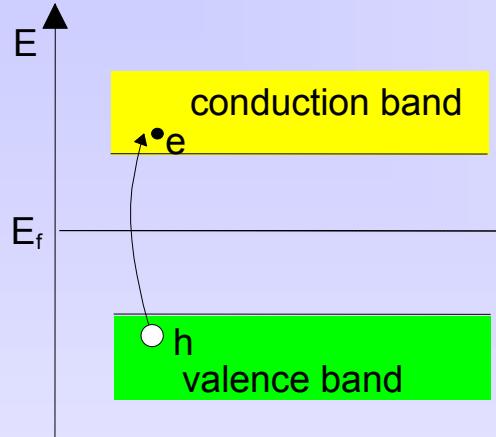
## ■ Alternative semiconductors

- Diamond
- GaAs
- Silicon Carbide
- Germanium

	Diamond	SiC (4H)	GaAs	Si	Ge
Atomic number Z	6	14/6	31/33	14	32
Bandgap $E_g$ [eV]	5.5	3.3	1.42	1.12	0.66
$E(\text{e-h pair})$ [eV]	13	7.6-8.4	4.3	3.6	2.9
density [ $\text{g/cm}^3$ ]	3.515	3.22	5.32	2.33	5.32
e-mobility $\mu_e$ [ $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ ]	1800	800	8500	1450	3900
h-mobility $\mu_h$ [ $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ ]	1200	115	400	450	1900

# How to obtain a signal ?

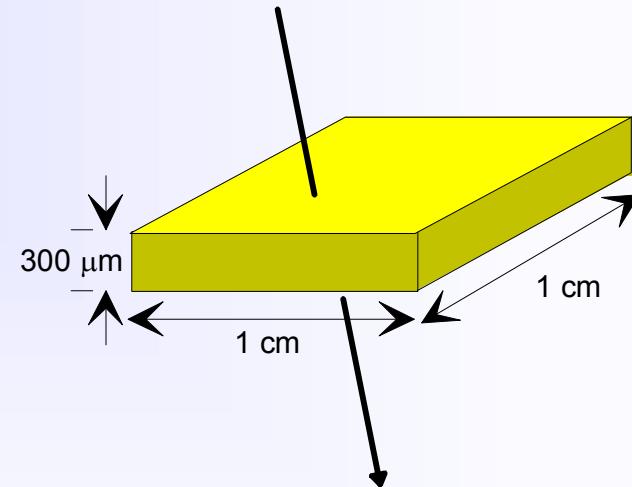
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In a pure intrinsic (undoped) semiconductor the electron density  $n$  and hole density  $p$  are equal.

$$n = p = n_i \quad \text{For Silicon: } n_i \approx 1.45 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$4.5 \cdot 10^8$  free charge carriers in this volume,  
but only  $3.2 \cdot 10^4$  e-h pairs produced by a M.I.P.

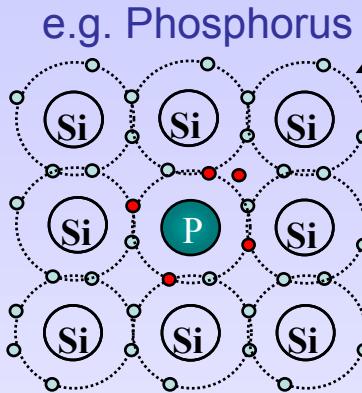


⇒ Reduce number of free charge carriers, i.e. deplete the detector

⇒ Most detectors make use of reverse biased p-n junctions

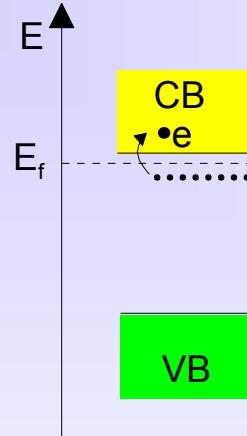
# Doping, resistivity and p-n junction

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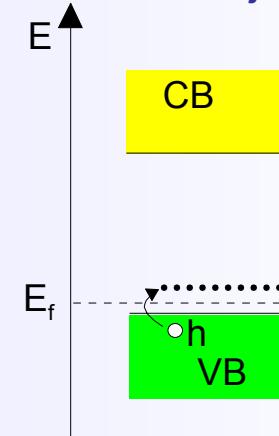
## Doping: n-type Silicon

- add elements from V<sup>th</sup> group
- ⇒ **donors** (P, As,..)
- electrons are majority carriers



## Doping: p-type Silicon

- add elements from III<sup>rd</sup> group
- ⇒ **acceptors** (B,..)
- holes are the majority carriers



## Resistivity

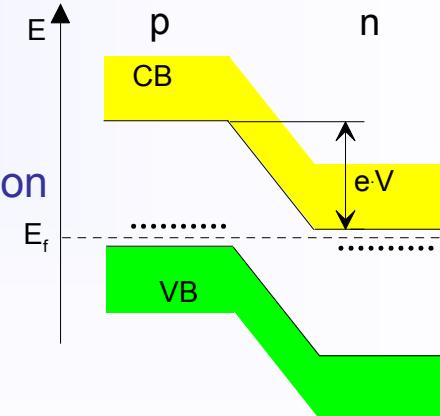
- carrier concentrations  $n, p$
- carrier mobility  $\mu_n, \mu_p$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{q_0} (\mu_n n + \mu_p p)$$

	detector grade	electronics grade
doping	$\approx 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	$\approx 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
resistivity $\rho$	$\approx 5 \text{ k}\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$	$\approx 1 \Omega\cdot\text{cm}$

## p-n junction

- There must be a single Fermi level !
- ⇒ band structure deformation
- ⇒ potential difference
- ⇒ depleted zone



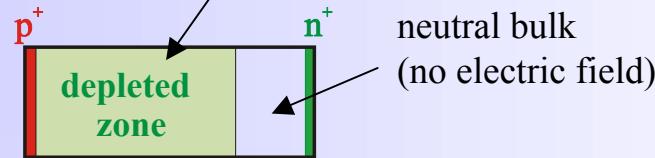
# Reverse biased abrupt p<sup>+</sup> n junction

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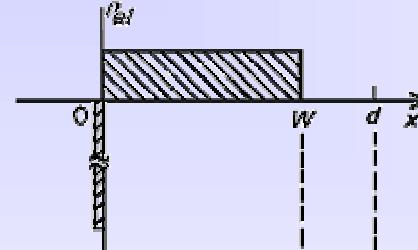
Poisson's equation

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot N_{eff}$$

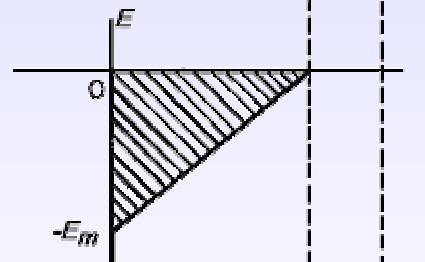
Positive space charge,  $N_{eff} = [P]$   
(ionized Phosphorus atoms)



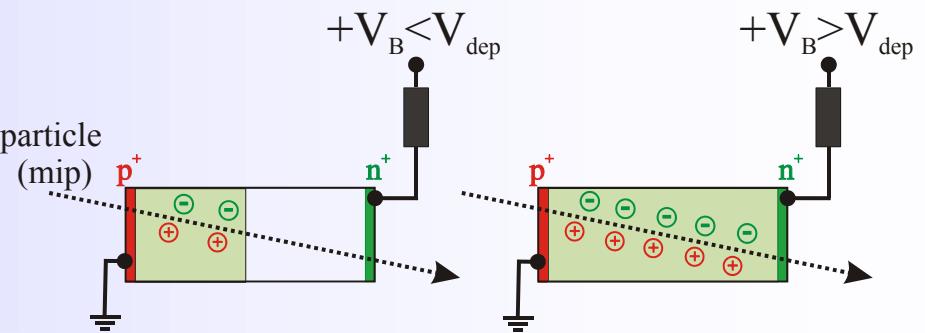
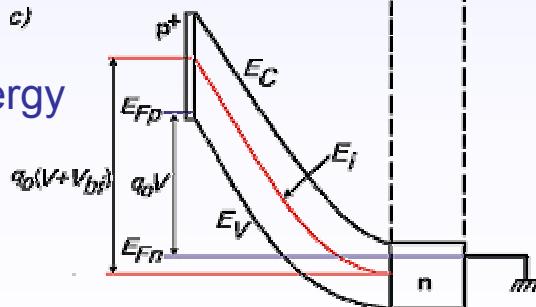
Electrical  
charge density



Electrical  
field strength



Electron  
potential energy



Full charge collection only for  $V_B > V_{dep}$  !

*depletion voltage*

$$V_{dep} = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot |N_{eff}| \cdot d^2$$

*effective space charge density*

## Poisson's equation

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot N_{eff}$$

with  $\frac{d}{dx} \phi(x = w) = 0$   
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$$-\frac{d}{dx} \phi(x) = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot N_{eff} \cdot (x - w)$$

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot N_{eff} \cdot (x - w)^2$$

*depletion voltage*

$$V_{dep} = \frac{q_0}{2\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot |N_{eff}| \cdot d^2$$

*effective space charge density*

**w = depletion depth**

**d = detector thickness**

**U = voltage**

**N<sub>eff</sub> = effective doping concentration**

$$C = \frac{dQ}{dU} = \frac{dQ \cdot dw}{dw \cdot dU}$$

$$w(V) = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon \epsilon_0}{q_0 |N_{eff}|}} \cdot V$$

$$dQ = q_0 \cdot |N_{eff}| \cdot A \cdot dw$$

$$dw = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \epsilon_0}{q_0 |N_{eff}| 2U}} \cdot dU$$

$$C(U) = A \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \epsilon_0 q_0 |N_{eff}|}{2U}}$$

$$C(w) = \frac{\epsilon \epsilon_0 A}{w}$$

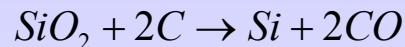
# How to make a Float Zone Silicon wafer?

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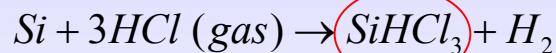
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## ■ Produce a polysilicon rod

- Melt very **pure sand** ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) together with coke ( $\sim 1800^\circ\text{C}$ )

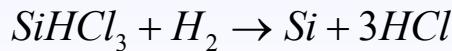


- Grind the “metallurgical grade silicon” (98% Si) and expose it to hydrochloric gas



- Trichlorsilane** boils at  $31.7^\circ\text{C}$  and can thus be distilled and purified

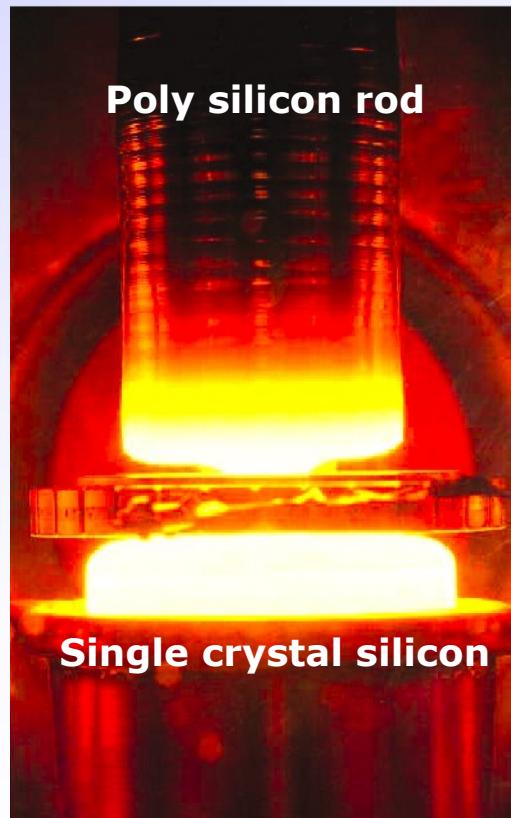
- Deposit silicon in a Chemical Vapour Deposition process



- Cast silicon into a **polycrystalline silicon rod**

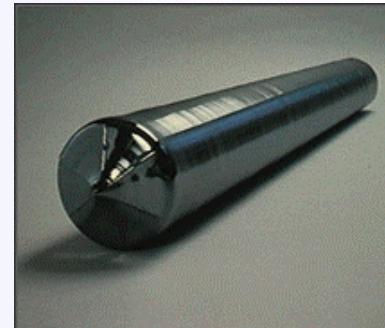
## ■ Float Zone process

- Using a single Si crystal seed, melt the vertically oriented rod onto the seed using RF power and “pull” the **monocrystalline ingot**



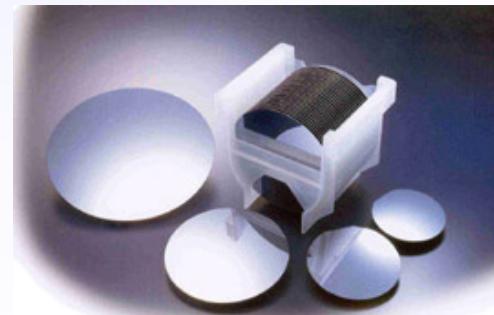
## ■ Monocrystalline Ingot

- grind into round shape
- make the flat or a notch



## ■ Wafer production

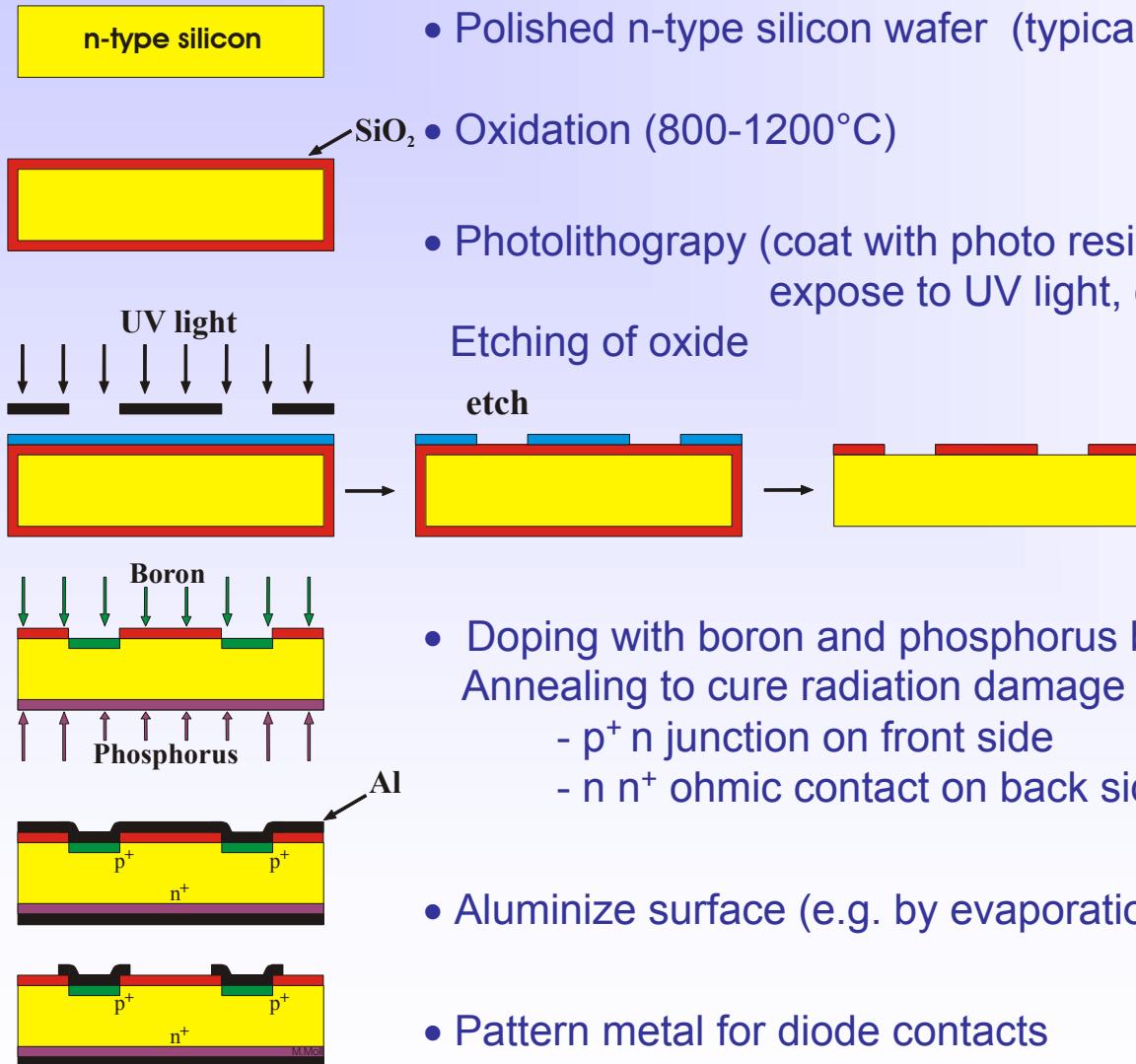
- Slice the ingot into wafers of  $300\text{-}500 \mu\text{m}$  (diamond saw)
- lapping of wafers
- etching of wafers
- polishing of wafers



# Silicon Sensor Production

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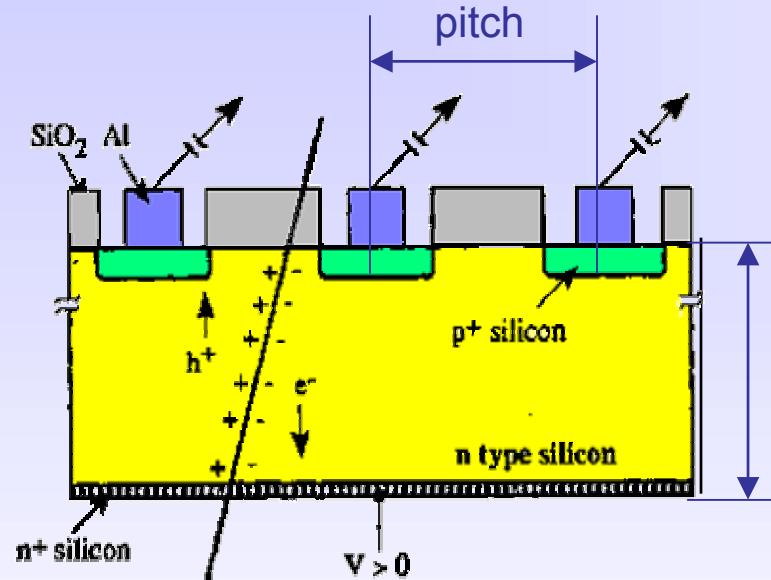
## ■ A "simple" production sequence (schematic)



- Polished n-type silicon wafer (typical  $\rho \sim 1-10 \text{ K}\Omega\text{cm}$  )
- Oxidation (800-1200°C)
- Photolithography (coat with photo resist; align mask, expose to UV light, develop photoresist); Etching of oxide
- Doping with boron and phosphorus by implantation (or by diffusion)  
Annealing to cure radiation damage and activate dopants
  - $p^+$  n junction on front side
  - n  $n^+$  ohmic contact on back side
- Aluminize surface (e.g. by evaporation)
- Pattern metal for diode contacts

# Single Sided Strip Detector

- Segmentation of the  $p^+$  layer into strips (Diode Strip Detector) and connection of strips to individual read-out channels gives spatial information



typical thickness:  $300\mu\text{m}$  ( $150\mu\text{m} - 500\mu\text{m}$  used)

- using n-type silicon with a resistivity of  $\rho = 2 \text{ K}\Omega\text{cm}$  ( $N_D \sim 2.2 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) results in a depletion voltage  $\sim 150 \text{ V}$

- Resolution  $\sigma$  depends on the pitch  $p$  (distance from strip to strip)

- e.g. detection of charge in binary way (threshold discrimination) and using center of strip as measured coordinate results in

$$\sigma = \frac{p}{\sqrt{12}}$$

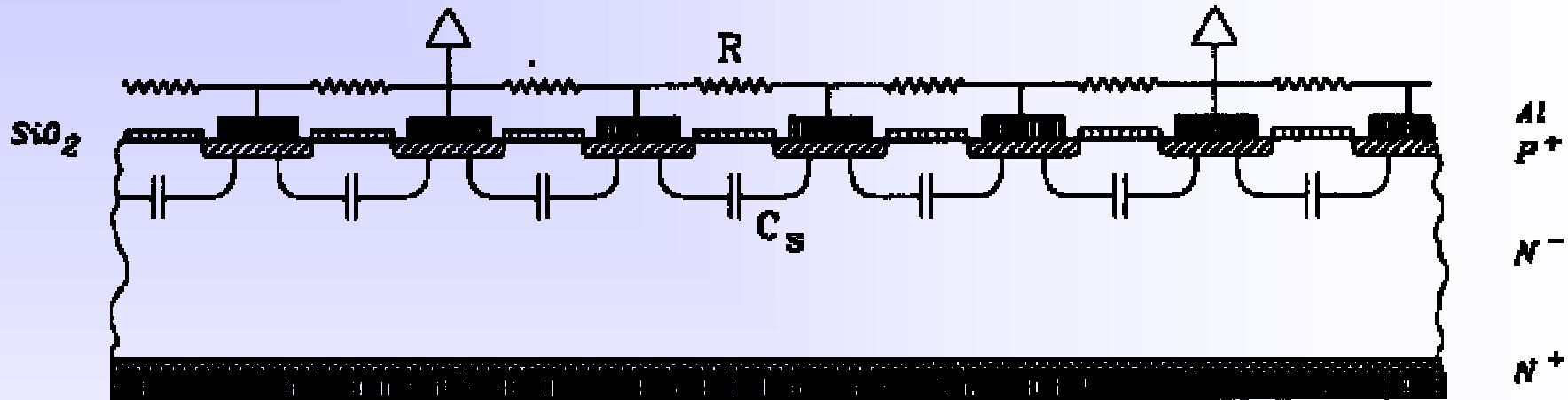
typical pitch values are  $20 \mu\text{m} - 150 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow 50 \mu\text{m}$  pitch results in  $14.4 \mu\text{m}$  resolution

# Capacitive charge division

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- Analog readout (measurement of signal height) of every strip leads to substantial improvement of position resolution, however not every strip has to be read:



- Charge division readout reduces the number of readout channels as only a fraction of the strips is connected to readout amplifier.
- Charge collected at the interpolation strips is divided between the two neighboring readout channels according to the relative position.

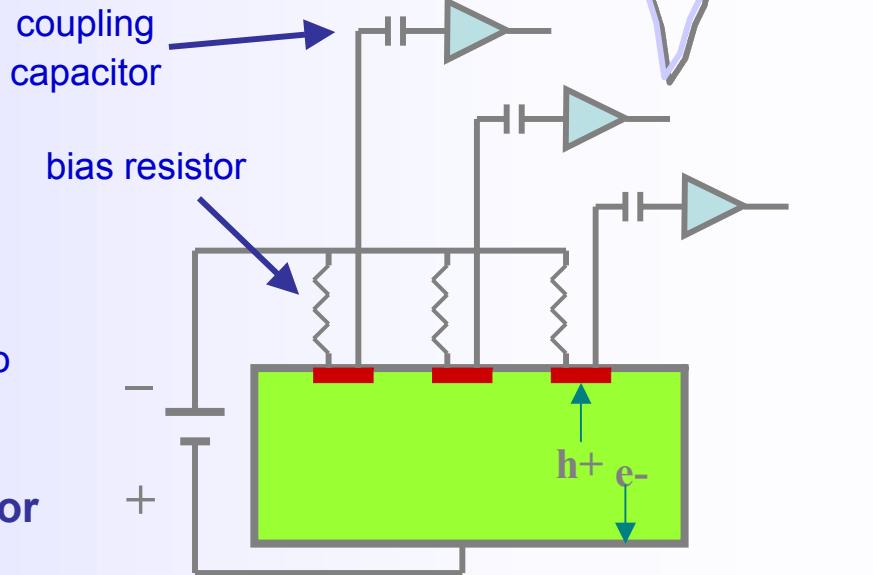
# Bias resistor and AC Coupling

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## Bias resistor

- Need to isolate strips from each other to collect/measure charge on each strip  
 $\Rightarrow$  high impedance bias connection ( $\approx 1M\Omega$  resistor)

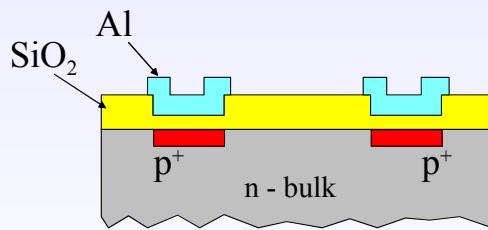


## Coupling capacitor

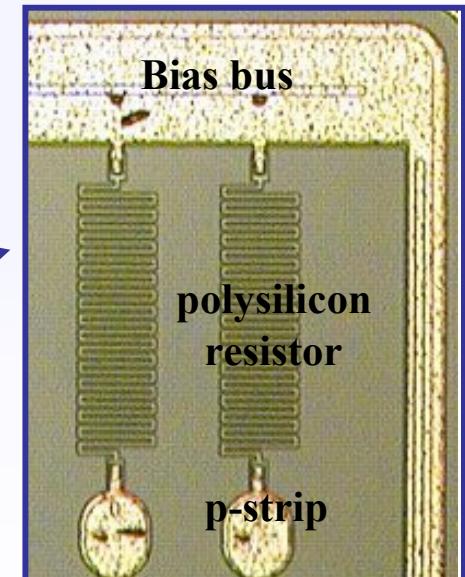
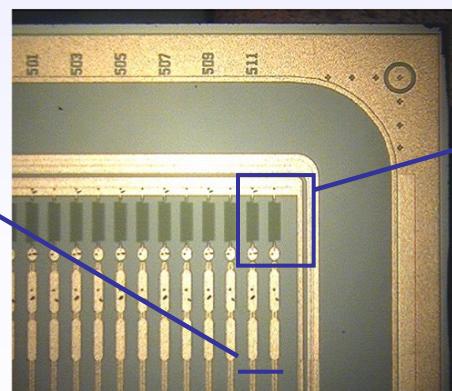
- Couple input amplifier through a capacitor (AC coupling) to avoid large DC input from leakage current

## Integration of capacitors and resistors on sensor

- Bias resistors via deposition of doped polysilicon
- Capacitors via metal readout lines over the implants but separated by an insulating dielectric layer ( $\text{SiO}_2, \text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$ ).



- $\Rightarrow$  nice integration
- $\Rightarrow$  more masks, processing steps
- $\Rightarrow$  pin holes



## Collected Charge for a Minimum Ionizing Particle (MIP)

- Mean energy loss

$dE/dx$  (Si) = 3.88 MeV/cm  
 $\Rightarrow$  116 keV for 300 $\mu$ m thickness

- Most probable energy loss

$\approx 0.7 \times$ mean  
 $\Rightarrow$  81 keV

- 3.6 eV to create an e-h pair

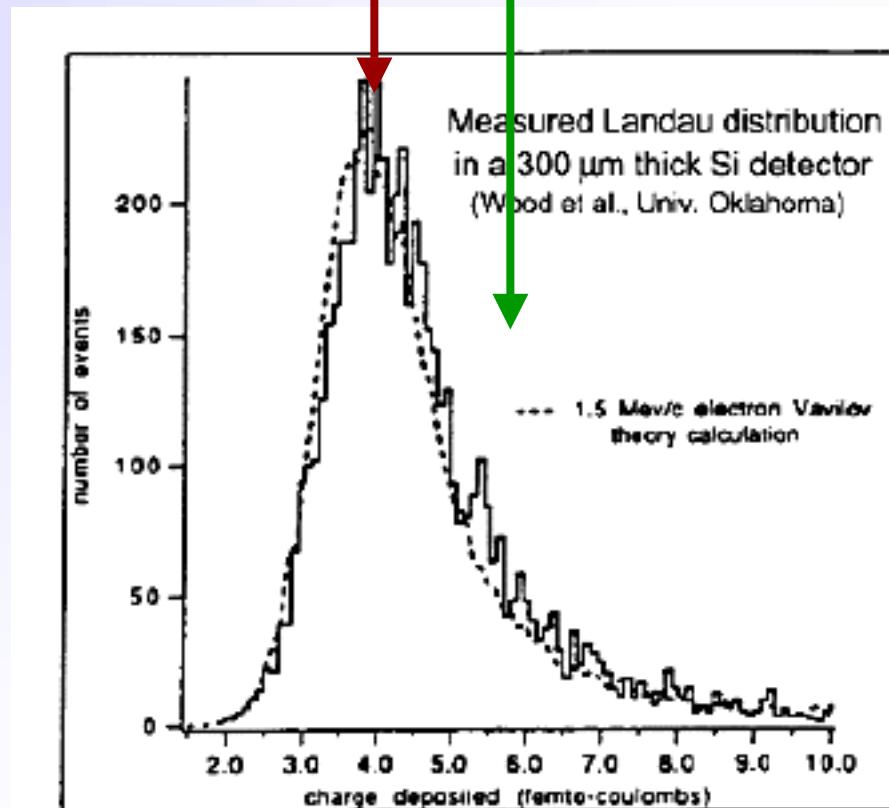
$\Rightarrow$  72 e-h /  $\mu$ m (mean)  
 $\Rightarrow$  108 e-h /  $\mu$ m (most probable)

- Most probable charge (300  $\mu$ m)

$\approx 22500$  e       $\approx 3.6$  fC

Most probable charge  $\approx 0.7 \times$  mean

Mean charge



# Signal to noise ratio (S/N)

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- Landau distribution has a low energy tail  
- becomes even lower by noise broadening

**Noise sources:** (ENC = Equivalent Noise Charge)

- Capacitance  $ENC \propto C_d$

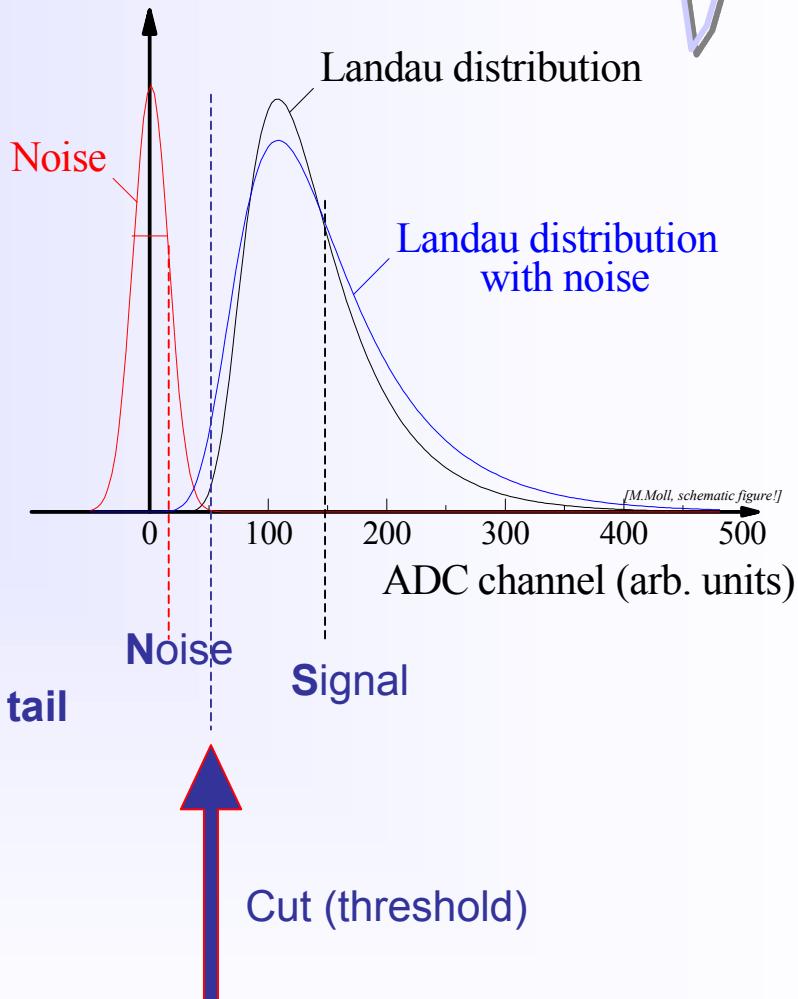
- Leakage Current  $ENC \propto \sqrt{I}$

- Thermal Noise  
(bias resistor)  $ENC \propto \sqrt{k_B T / R}$

- Good hits selected by requiring  $N_{ADC} >$  noise tail  
If cut too high  $\Rightarrow$  efficiency loss  
If cut too low  $\Rightarrow$  noise occupancy

- Figure of Merit: Signal-to-Noise Ratio S/N

- Typical values  $>10-15$ , people get nervous below 10.  
Radiation damage severely degrades the S/N.



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## Charge Collection time

- Drift velocity of charge carriers  $v \approx \mu E$ , so drift time,  $t_d = d/v = d/\mu E$

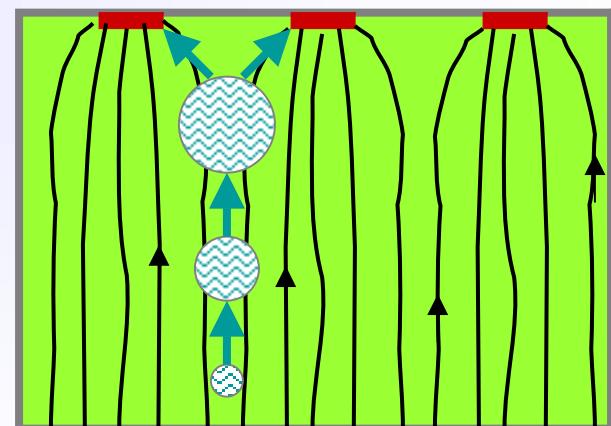
Typical values:  $d=300 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$ ,  $E= 2.5 \text{ kV/cm}$ ,  
with  $\mu_e = 1350 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{V}\cdot\text{s}$  and  $\mu_h = 450 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{V}\cdot\text{s}$   
 $\Rightarrow t_d(e) = 9\text{ns}$  ,  $t_d(h) = 27\text{ns}$

## Diffusion

- Diffusion of charge “cloud” caused by scattering of drifting charge carriers,  
radius of distribution after time  $t_d$ :

$$\sigma = \sqrt{2Dt_d} \quad \text{with diffusion constant } D = \mu kT/q$$

- Same radius for e and h since  $t_d \propto 1/\mu$   
Typical charge radius:  $\sigma \approx 6\mu\text{m}$ , could exploit this  
to get better position resolution due to charge sharing  
between adjacent strips (using centroid finding), but  
need to keep drift times long (low field).



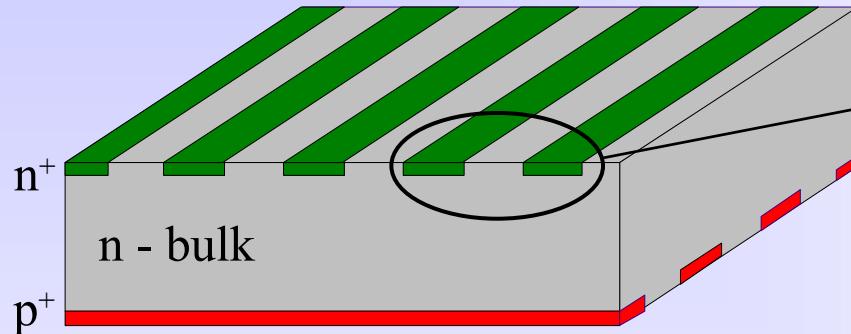
# Double sided silicon detectors

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## Get a 2<sup>nd</sup> coordinate

Put n<sup>+</sup> and p<sup>+</sup> strips on opposite sides and read them both

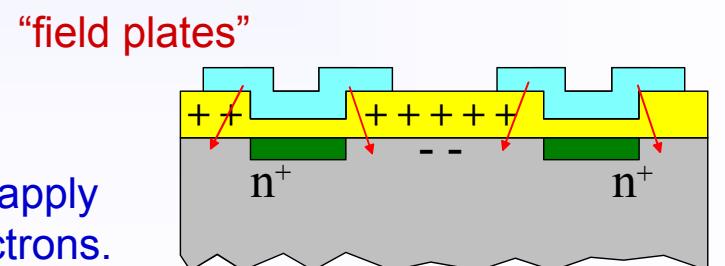
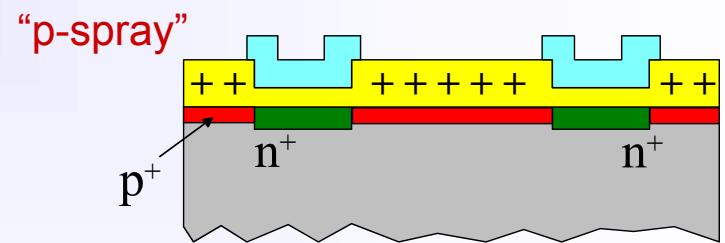
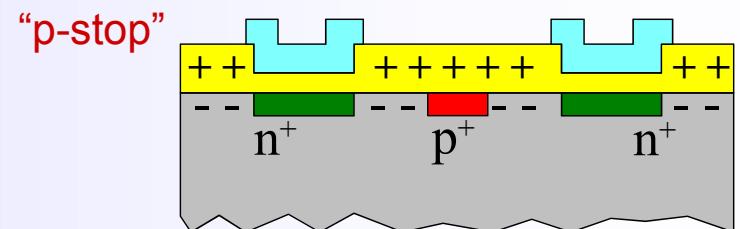
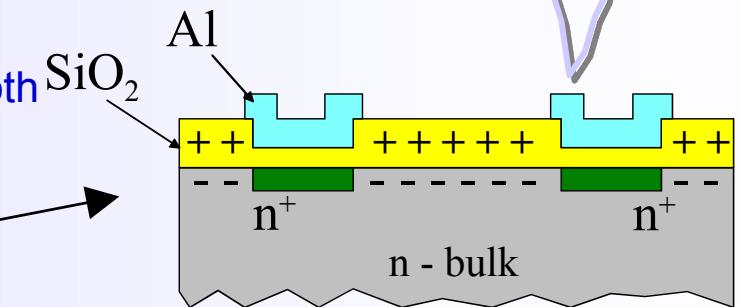


## Problem: Electron accumulation layer

n<sup>+</sup>-strips are not isolated because of an electron accumulation layer at the Si-SiO<sub>2</sub> interface. This effect is due to the presence of positive charge in SiO<sub>2</sub> layer which attracts electrons.

## Solution: "Break" accumulation layer

- p-strips in between the n-strips ("p-stop")
- moderate p<sup>+</sup>-implantation over all surface ("p-spray")
- "**field plates**" (metal over oxide) over the n<sup>+</sup>-strips and apply negative potential with respect to n<sup>+</sup>-strips to repel electrons.



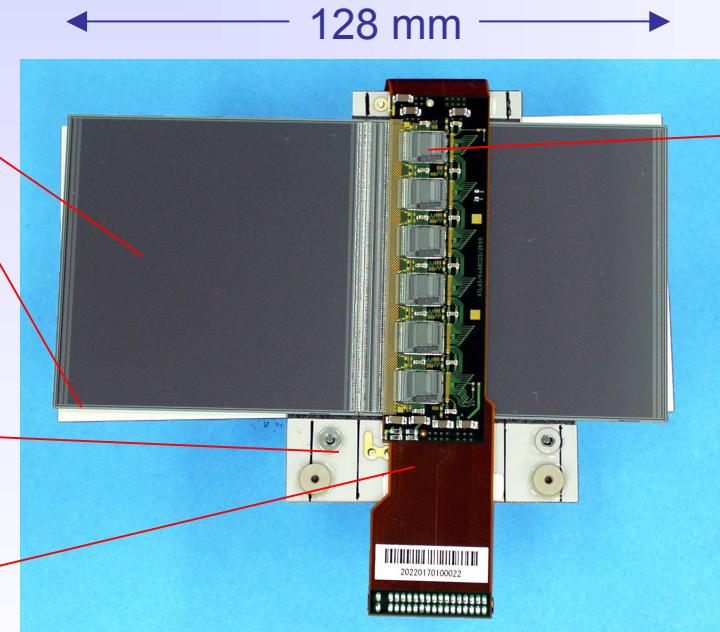
## ■ Detector Modules - “Basic building block of tracking detectors”

- Silicon Sensors
- Mechanical support (cooling)
- Front end electronics and signal routing (connectivity)

## ■ Example: ATLAS SCT Barrel Module

### • Silicon sensors (x4)

- $64 \times 64 \text{ mm}^2$
- p-in-n, single sided
- AC-coupled
- 768 strips
- $80\mu\text{m}$  pitch/ $12\mu\text{m}$  width



### • Mechanical support

- TPG baseboard
- BeO facings

### • Hybrid (x1)

$\sigma(r\phi) \sim 16 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma(z) \sim 850\mu\text{m}$  [NIMA538 (2005) 384]

- flexible 4 layer copper/kapton hybrid
- mounted directly over two of the four silicon sensors
- carrying front end electronics, pitch adapter, signal routing, connector

SCT = SemiConductor Tracker

ASICS = Application Specific  
Integrated CircuitS

TPG = Thermal Pyrolytic Graphite

### • ASICS (x12)

- ABCD chip (binary readout)
- DMILL technology
- 128 channels

### • Wire bonds (~3500)

- $25 \mu\text{m}$  Al wires

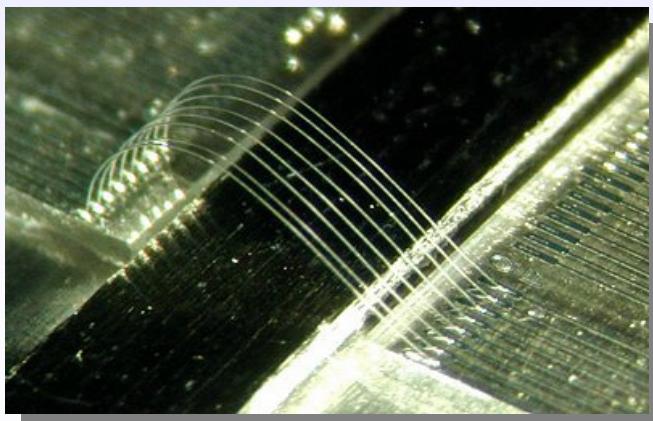
## ■ ATLAS – SCT

- 15.552 microstrip sensors
- 2.112 barrel modules
- 1.976 forward modules
- $61 \text{ m}^2$  silicon,  $6.3 \cdot 10^6$  strips

# Wire bonding

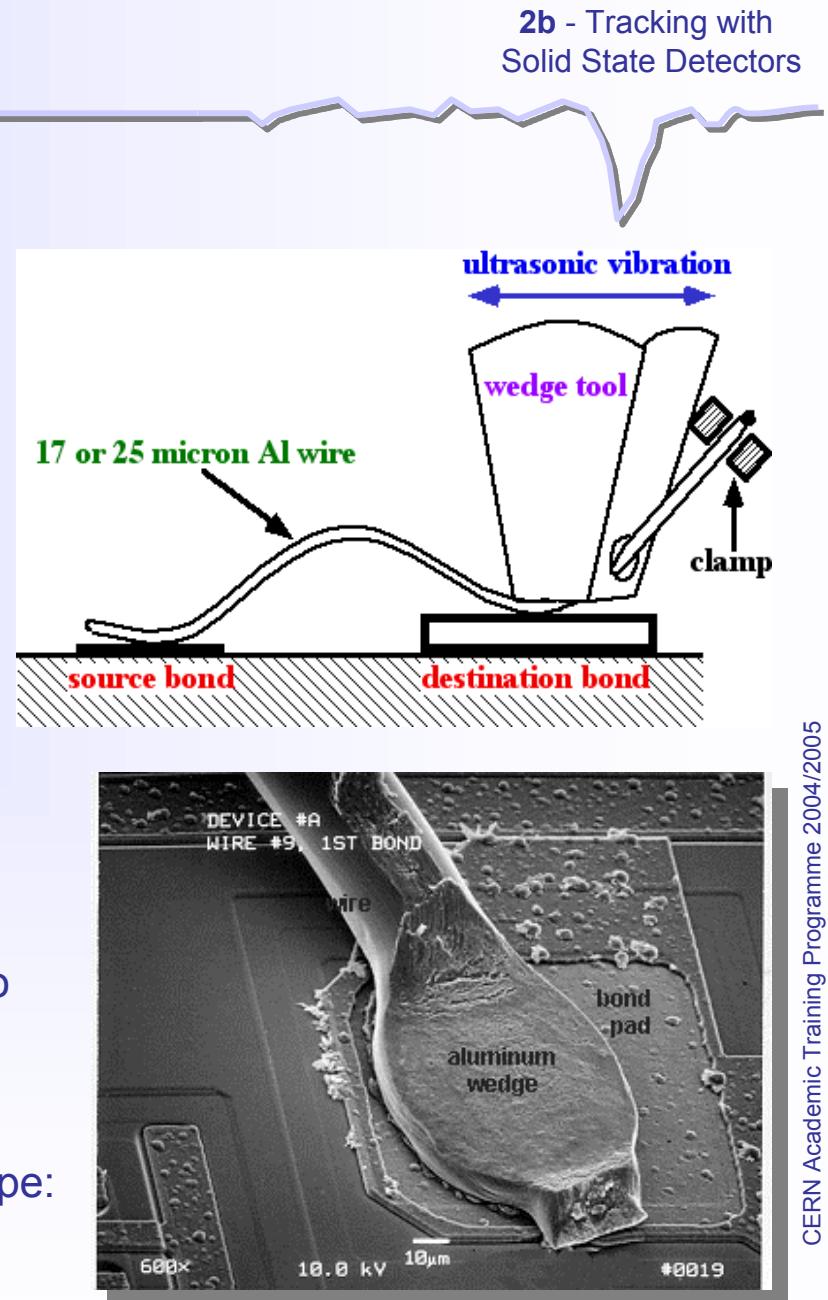
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- Uses ultrasonic power to vibrate needle-like tool on top of wire. Friction welds wire to metallized substrate underneath.
- Can easily handle  $80\mu\text{m}$  pitch in a single row and  $40\mu\text{m}$  in two staggered rows (typical FE chip input pitch is  $44\mu\text{m}$ ).
- Generally use  $25\mu\text{m}$  diameter aluminum wire and bond to aluminum pads (chips) or gold pads (hybrid substrates).
- Heavily used in industry (PC processors) but not with such thin wire or small pitch.



Microscope:  
connect sensor to  
fan-out circuit

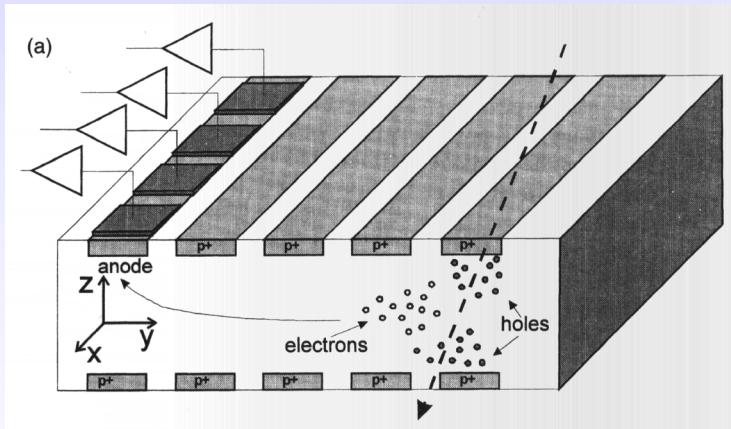
Electron microscope:  
bond “foot”



# Silicon Drift Detectors

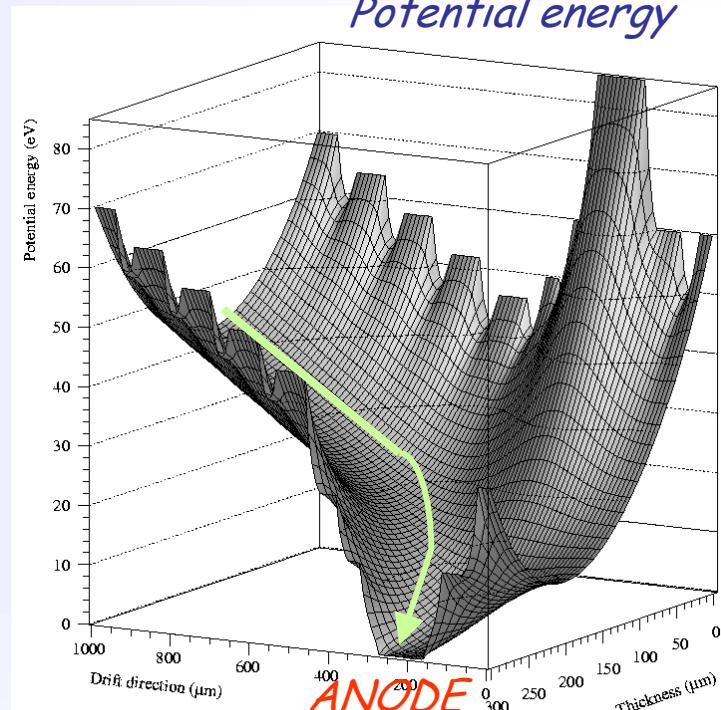
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- Principle of sideways depletion (as for DEPFET sensors)
- p<sup>+</sup> segmentation on both sides of sensor
- complete depletion of wafer from segmented n<sup>+</sup> anodes located at one side of sensor
- electrons drift parallel to substrate surface to n<sup>+</sup> anodes
- voltage divider network (resistors) for p-strips to provide uniform drift field



- Need to ensure good material uniformity, low defect rates, good drift field homogeneity, precise voltage dividing on p-strips and good temperature control.
- HEP: Implemented for STAR at RHIC and for ALICE at LHC

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# Hybrid Pixel Detectors



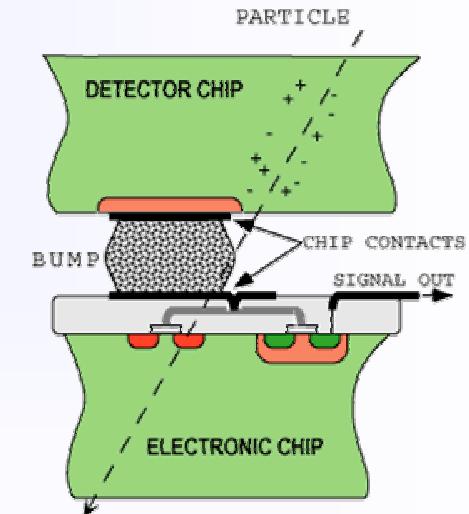
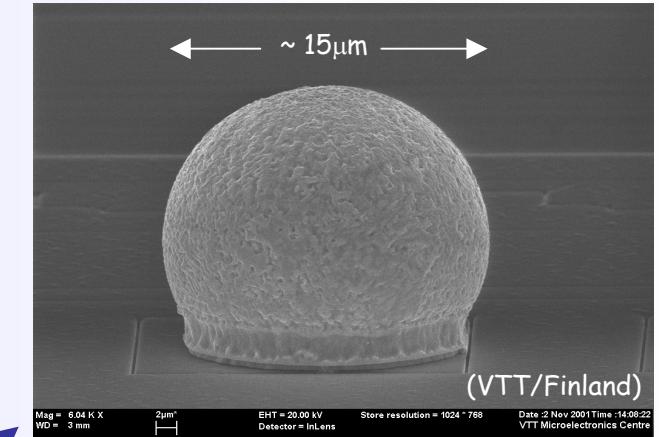
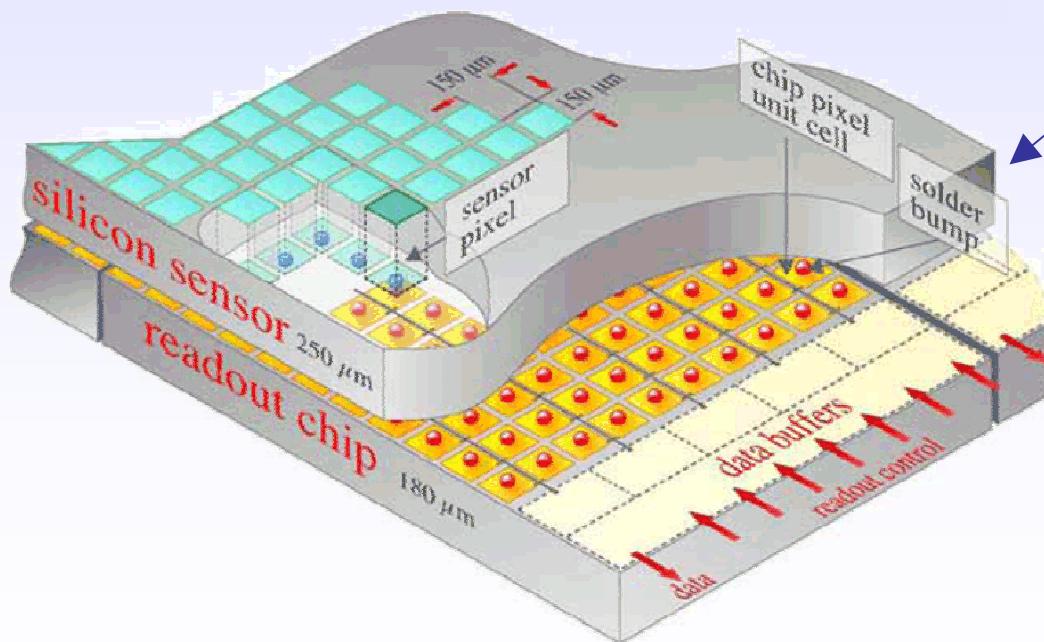
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## HAPS – Hybrid Active Pixel Sensors

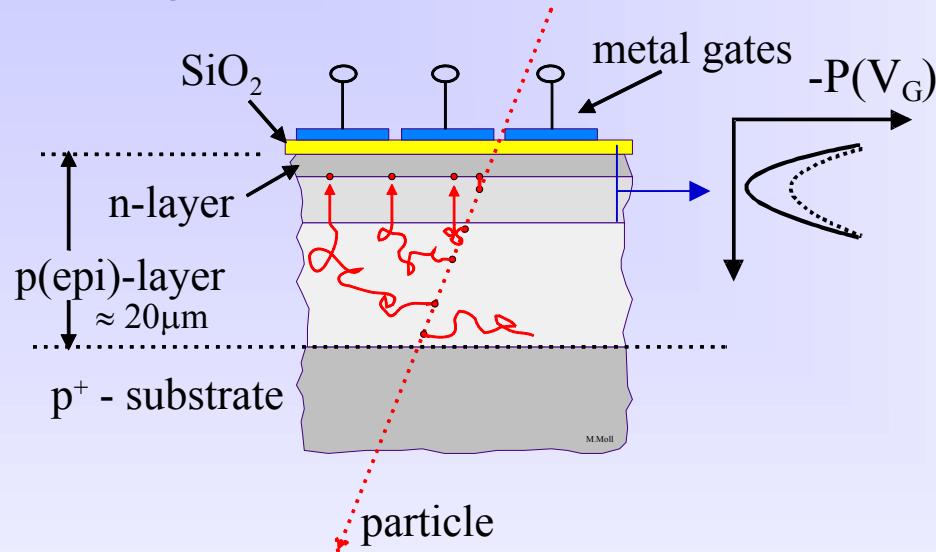
- segment silicon to diode matrix with high granularity  
( $\Rightarrow$  true 2D, no reconstruction ambiguity)
- readout electronic with same geometry  
(every cell connected to its own processing electronics)
- connection by “bump bonding”
- requires sophisticated readout architecture
- Hybrid pixel detectors will be used in LHC experiments:  
ATLAS, ALICE, CMS and LHCb



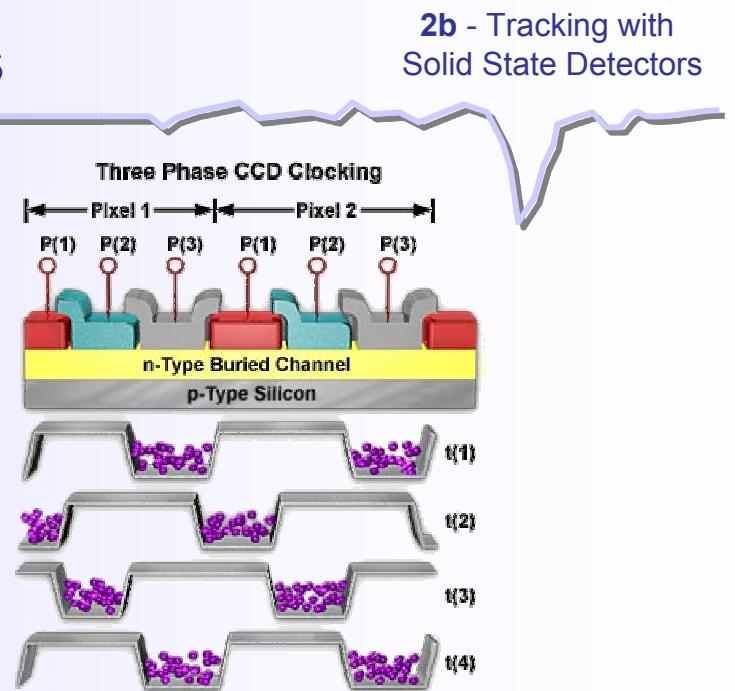
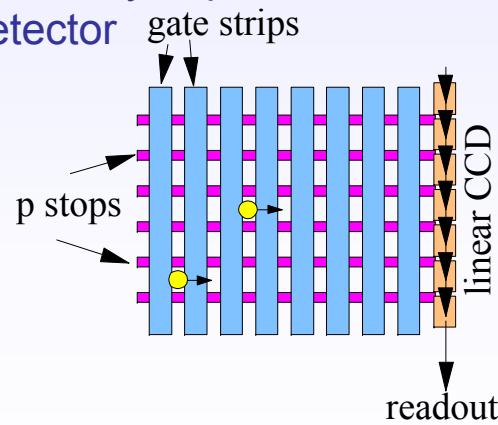
Flip-chip technique

# CCD – Charged Coupled Devices

(1) MOS structure with segmented metal layer;  
Charge is captured in a potential well.



(3) Create an array of pixel for  
a 2D detector



(2) Readout: Shift electrons towards anode  
by periodic variation of 3 potentials

## Pixel CCD

- needs only few readout channels
- small charge ( $\approx 2000$  e)  $\Rightarrow$  needs cooling
- long readout time, active during readout
- sensitive to radiation damage

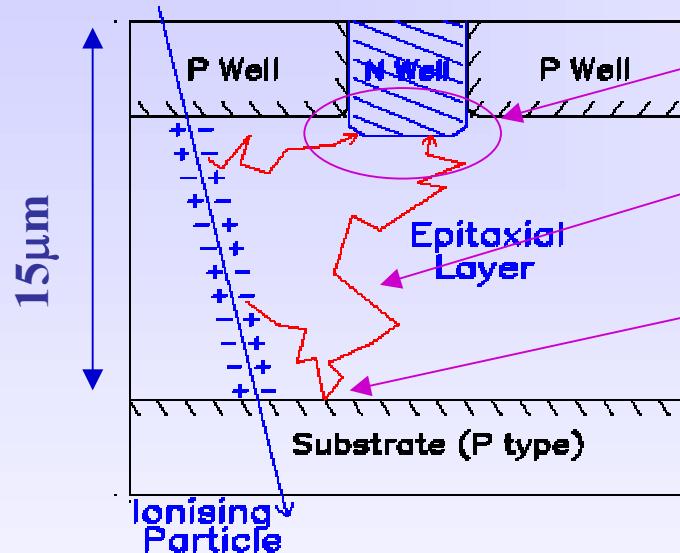
$\Rightarrow$  applicable for low rate experiment  
without high intensity radiation field

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## Monolithic detectors

- readout electronics directly within sensor material (same epi layer)



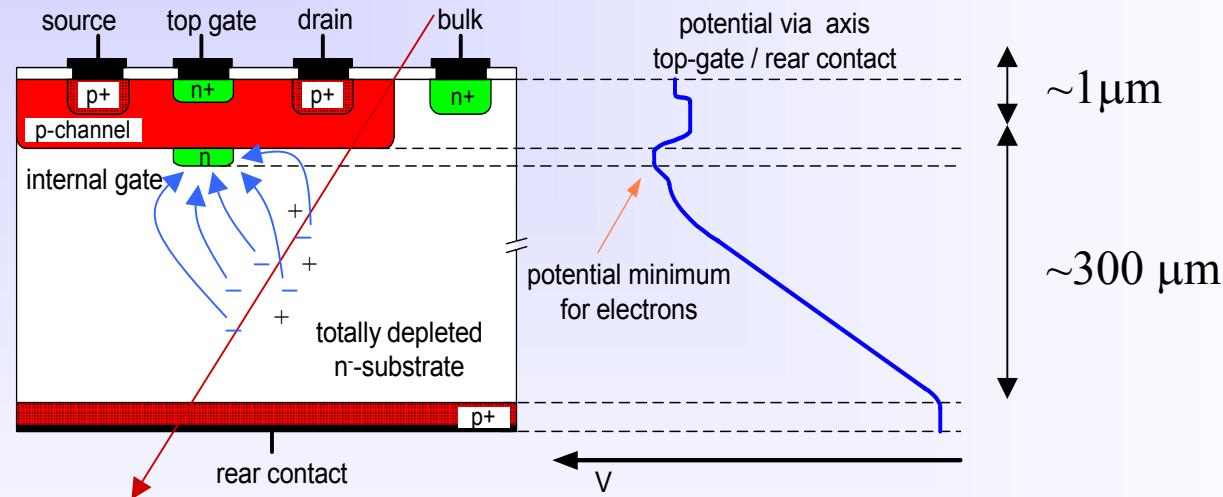
- charge collected at n-well / p-epi diode
- thermal diffusion of free charge
- reflection at potential barriers between areas with different doping concentration
- no depletion voltage applied  
⇒ potential formed by different doping concentrations only

- no connections needed to electronics (e.g. no bumps)
- very small sizes achievable

# DEPFET - DEP(leted)F(ield)E(ffect)T(ransistor)

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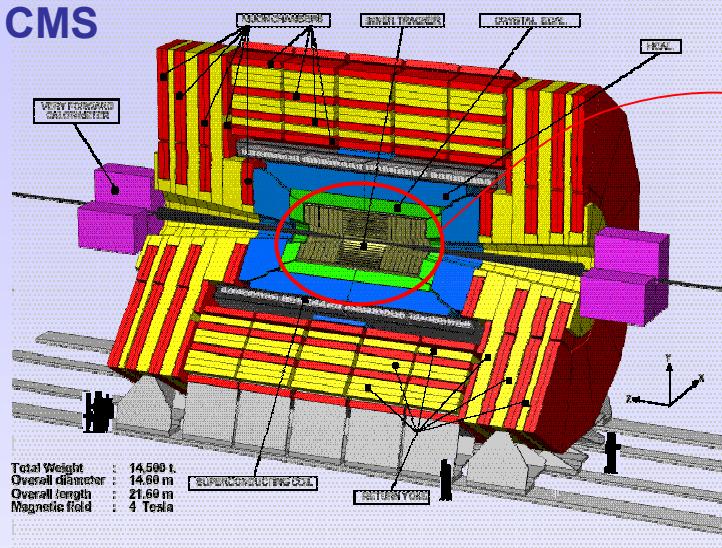
- FET integrated on high resistivity bulk, bulk sideward depleted
- electrons collected in potential minimum at internal gate
  - transistor current modulated by collected charge
  - charge removed by reset mechanism (clear)
- switch on/off by (external) top gate to read out



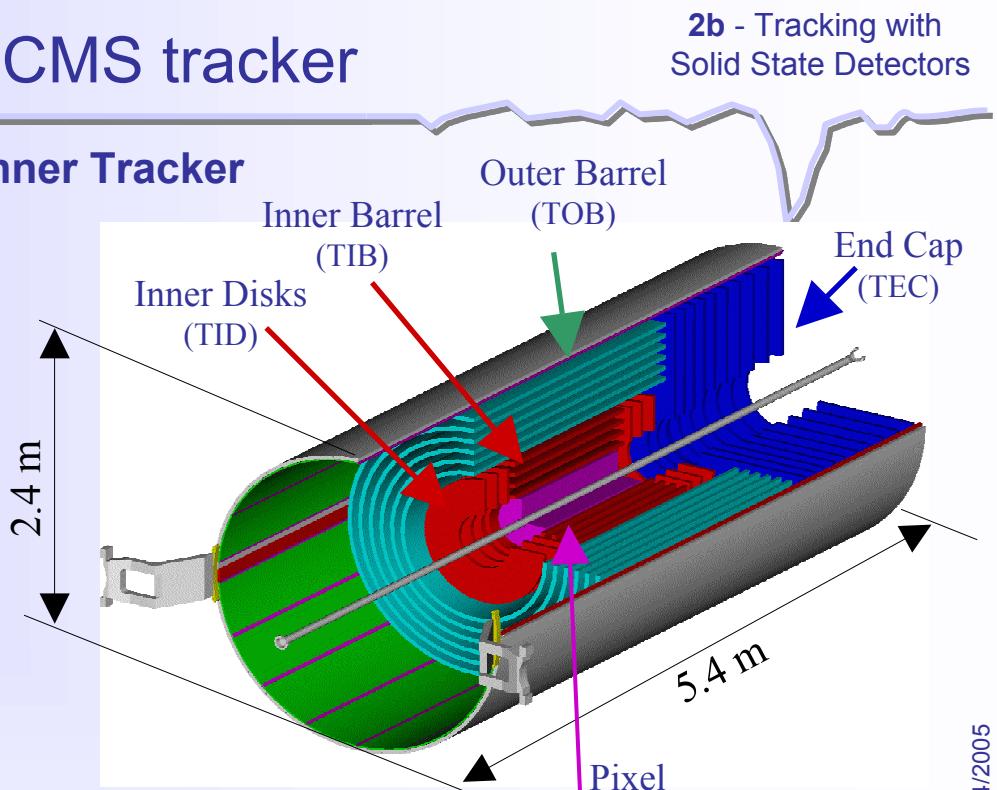
- amplification of charge at the position of collection  $\Rightarrow$  no transfer loss
- full bulk sensitivity, bulk can be thinned down to 50  $\mu\text{m}$  if needed
- non structured entrance window (backside)
- very low input capacitance  $\Rightarrow$  very low noise

# Example from LHC: The CMS tracker

## CMS



## Inner Tracker



## CMS - Currently the Most Silicon

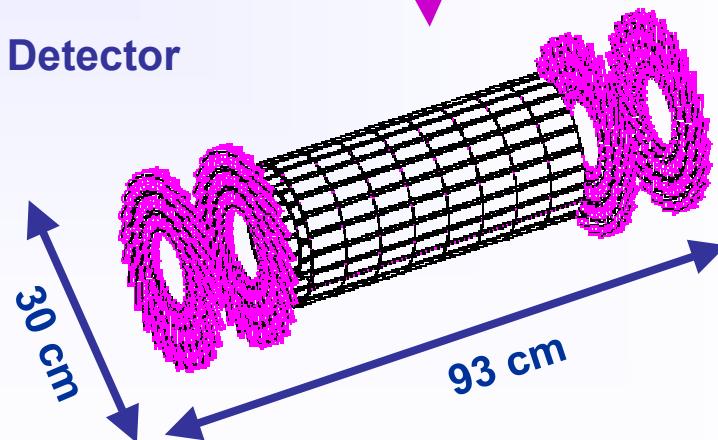
### Micro Strip:

- ~ 214 m<sup>2</sup> of silicon strip sensors
- 11.4 million strips

### Pixel:

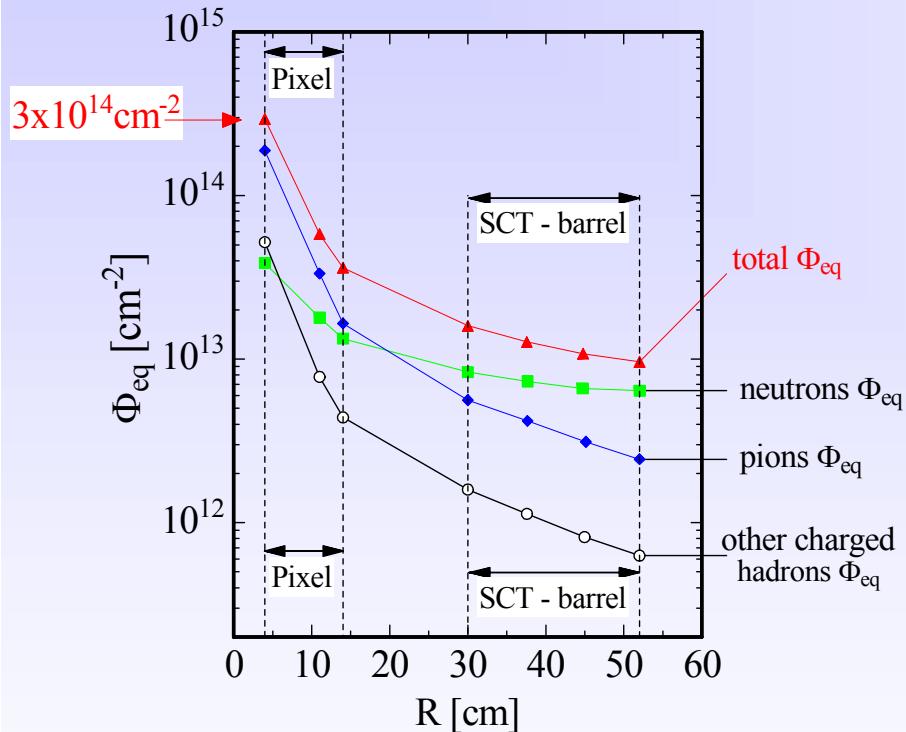
- Inner 3 layers: silicon pixels (~ 1m<sup>2</sup>)
- 66 million pixels (100x150μm)
- Precision:  $\sigma(r\phi) \sim \sigma(z) \sim 15\mu\text{m}$
- Most challenging operating environments (LHC)

## Pixel Detector



## ■ Example: ATLAS

- Fluences per year at full Luminosity



- Pixel detector: up to  $\Phi_{eq} \approx 3.5 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2} / \text{year}$
- Dominating type of particle is different for pixel (pions) and strip detectors (neutrons)

## ■ LHC silicon detectors:

- All detectors have been extensively tested and developed for radiation tolerance and are expected to survive the LHC radiation environment.
- Some experiments have already foreseen upgrades (e.g. LHCb Velo after 3 years).

## ■ Super LHC

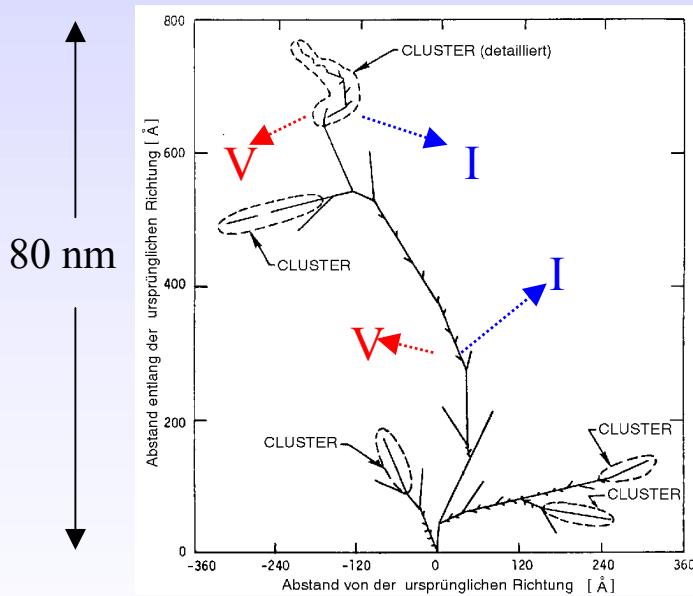
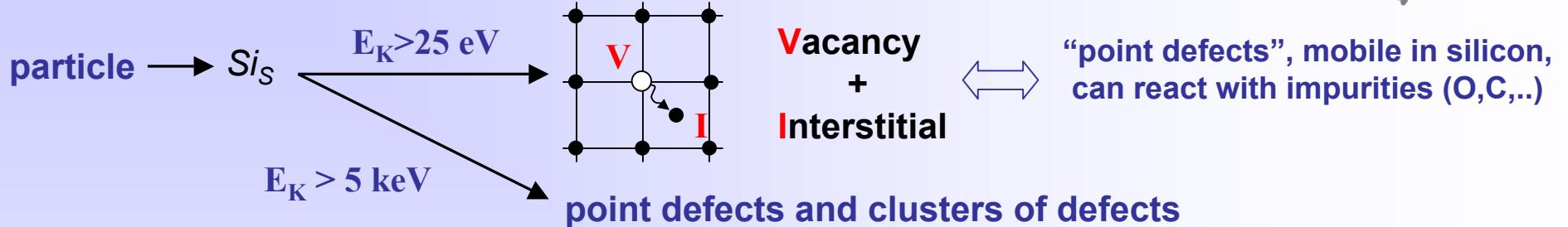
- upgrade of LHC to 10 x higher Luminosity  
⇒ 10 x higher radiation levels  
⇒ Radiation damage will become a critical issue!  
⇒ New, radiation tolerant detectors needed!

- What is radiation damage ?
- How to cope with it ?

# Radiation Damage: Microscopic defects

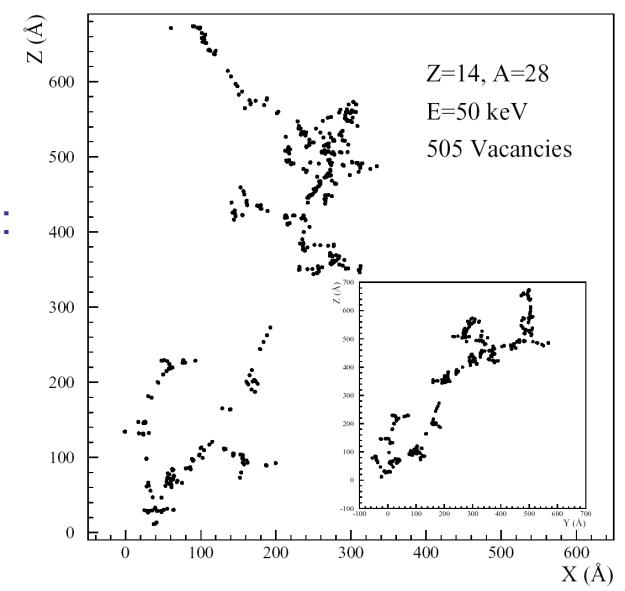
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## ■ Damage to the silicon crystal: Displacement of lattice atoms



Distribution of vacancies created by a 50 keV Si-ion in silicon (typical recoil energy for 1 MeV neutrons):

Schematic  
[Van Lint 1980]  
Simulation  
[M.Huhtinen 2001]



## ■ Defects can be electrically active (levels in the band gap)

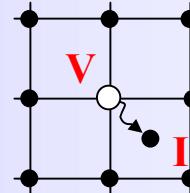
- capture and release electrons and holes from conduction and valence band
- ⇒ can be charged - can be generation/recombination centers - can be trapping centers

# Radiation Damage: Particle dependence

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■ particle →  $Si_S$  →  $E_K > 25 \text{ eV}$



Vacancy  
+  
Interstitial

point defects  
(V-O, C-O, ..)

$E_K > 5 \text{ keV}$  point defects and clusters of defects

$^{60}\text{Co}$ -gammas

Compton Electrons  
with max.  $E_\gamma \approx \text{MeV}$   
(no cluster production)

Electrons

$E_e > 255 \text{ keV}$  for displacement  
 $E_e > 8 \text{ MeV}$  for cluster

Neutrons (elastic scattering)

$E_n > 185 \text{ eV}$  for displacement  
 $E_n > 35 \text{ keV}$  for cluster

only point defects

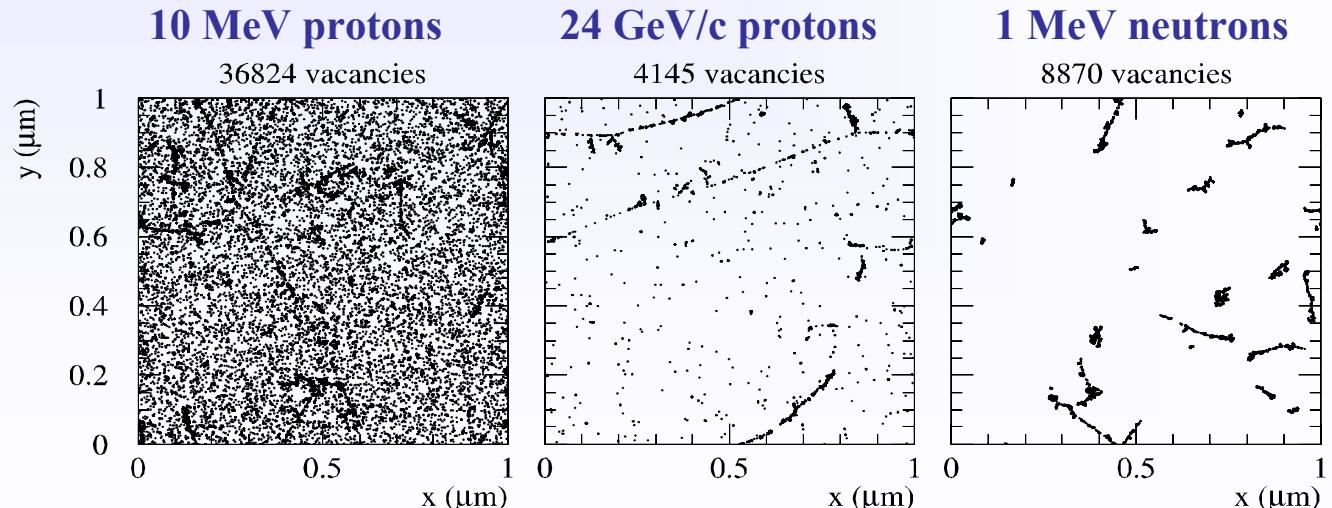
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↔ mainly clusters

## ■ Simulation:

Initial distribution of  
vacancies in  $(1\mu\text{m})^3$   
after  $10^{14}$  particles/cm $^2$

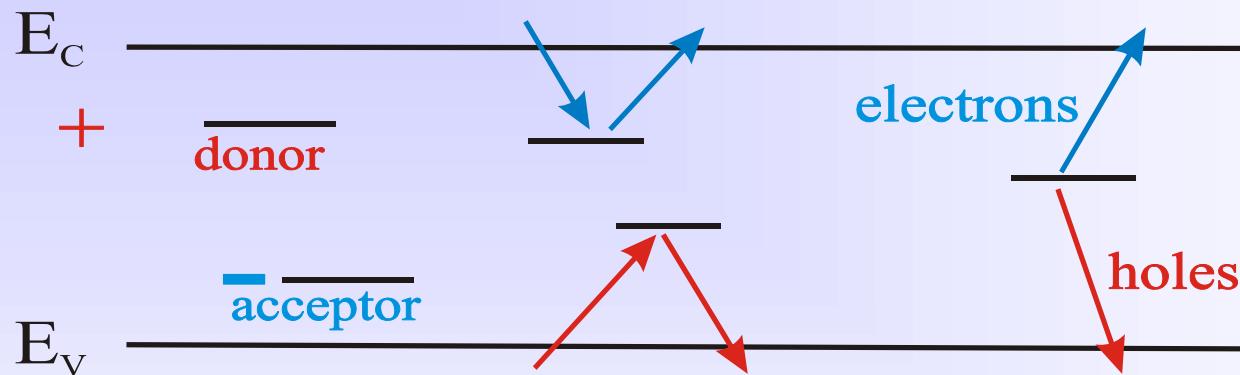
[Mika Huhtinen NIMA 491(2002) 194]



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## Shockley-Read-Hall statistics (standard textbook theory)

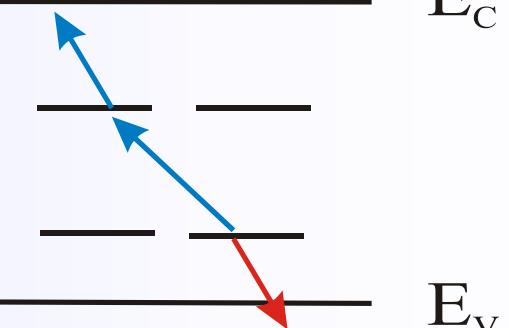


**charged defects**  
 $\Rightarrow N_{\text{eff}}, V_{\text{dep}}$   
e.g. donors in upper  
and acceptors in  
lower half of band  
gap

**trapping (e and h)**  
 $\Rightarrow \text{CCE}$   
shallow defects do not  
contribute at room  
temperature due to fast  
detrappling

**generation**  
**leakage current**  
Levels close to midgap  
are most effective

## Inter-center charge transfer model (inside clusters only)



**enhanced generation**  
 $\Rightarrow$  leakage current  
 $\Rightarrow$  space charge

■ Impact on detector properties can be calculated  
if all defect parameters are known:

$\sigma_{n,p}$  : cross sections

$\Delta E$  : ionization energy

$N_t$  : concentration

# Radiation Damage in Silicon Sensors

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## ■ Two general types of radiation damage:

- Bulk (Crystal) damage due to Non Ionizing Energy Loss (NIEL)
  - Displacement Damage –

- I. Change of **depletion voltage** (higher operation voltage, underdepletion)  
⇒ constant cooling needed to avoid reverse annealing
- II. Increase of **leakage current** (increase of shot noise, thermal runaway)  
⇒ needs cooling of sensors during operation
- III. Decrease of **charge collection efficiency**  
due to underdepletion and increased trapping

- Surface damage due to Ionizing Energy Loss (IEL)

- accumulation of positive in the oxide ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) and the  $\text{Si}/\text{SiO}_2$  interface –  
affects: interstrip capacitance (noise factor), breakdown behavior  
and other structures depending on near-surface effects

## ■ Signal/noise ratio is the quantity to watch

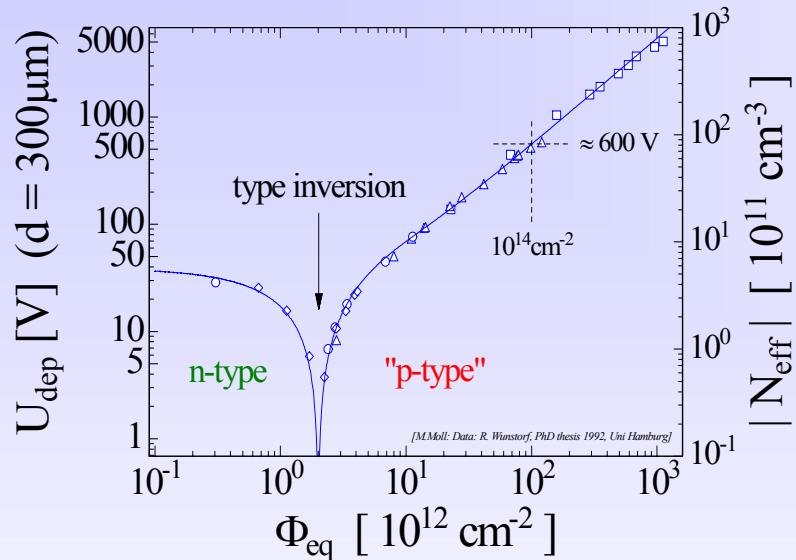
⇒ Sensors can fail from radiation damage !

# Radiation Damage – I. Depletion Voltage

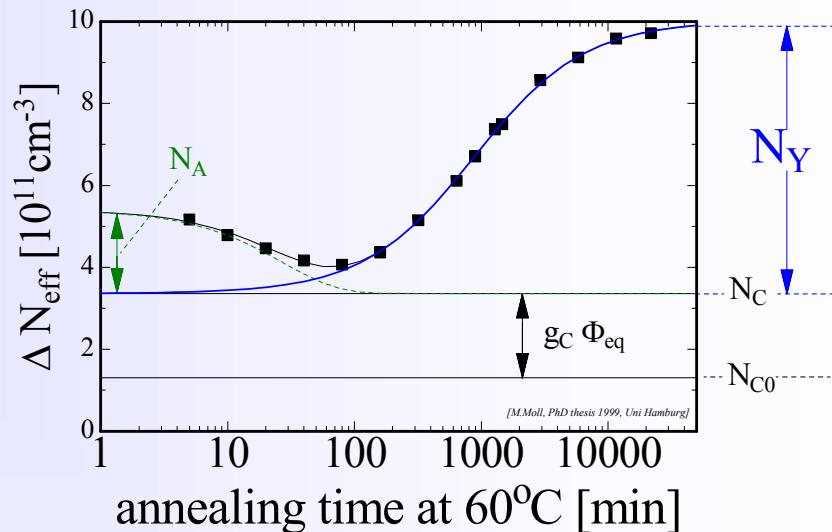
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## Change of Depletion Voltage $V_{dep}$ ( $N_{eff}$ )

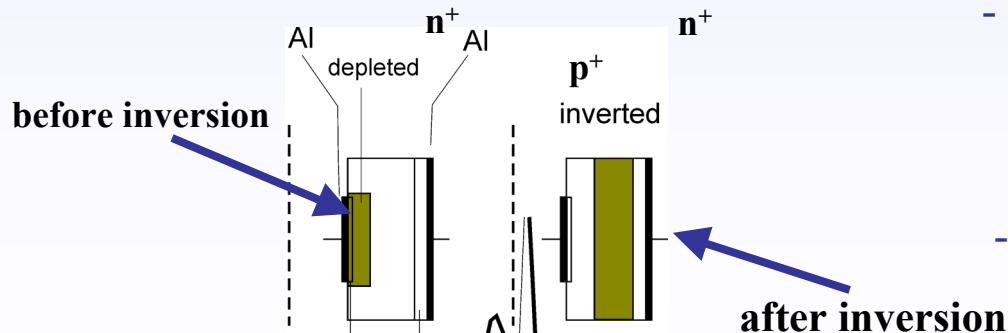
.... with particle fluence:



.... with time (annealing):



- “Type inversion”:  $N_{eff}$  changes from positive to negative (Space Charge Sign Inversion)



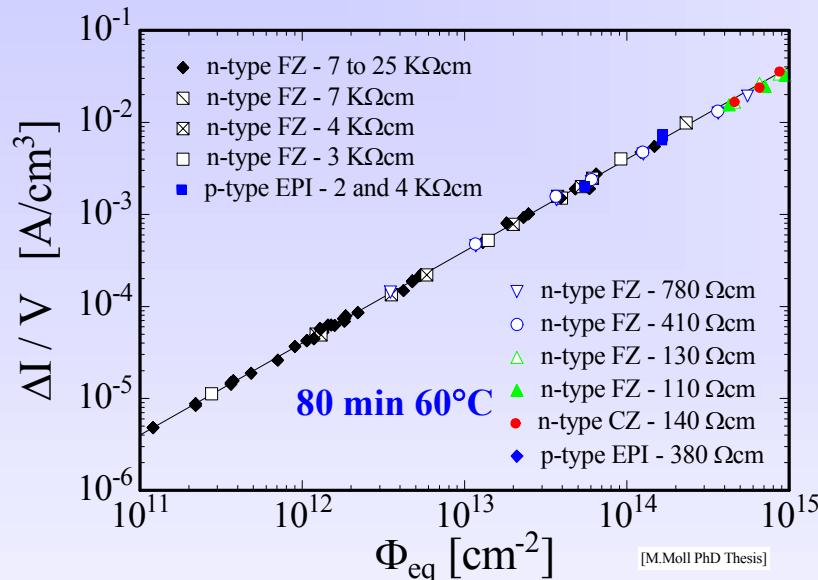
- Short term: “Beneficial annealing”
- Long term: “Reverse annealing”
  - time constant depends on temperature:
    - ~ 500 years (-10°C)
    - ~ 500 days ( 20°C)
    - ~ 21 hours ( 60°C)
  - Consequence: Detectors must be cooled even when the experiment is not running!

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## ■ Change of Leakage Current (after hadron irradiation)

.... with particle fluence:

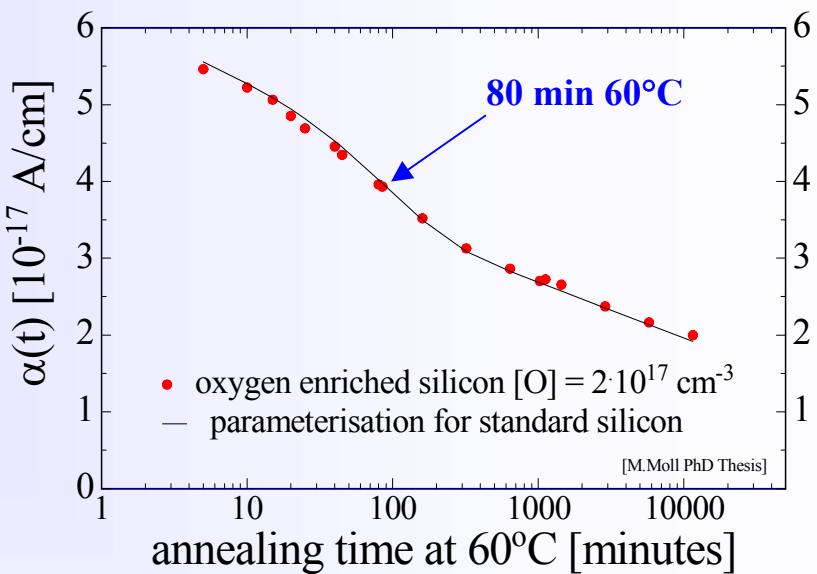


- Damage parameter  $\alpha$  (slope in figure)

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta I}{V \cdot \Phi_{eq}}$$

Leakage current per unit volume and particle fluence

- $\alpha$  is constant over several orders of fluence and independent of impurity concentration in Si  
⇒ can be used for fluence measurement



- Leakage current decreasing in time (depending on temperature)
- Strong temperature dependence

$$I \propto \exp\left(-\frac{E_g}{2k_B T}\right)$$

Consequence:

Cool detectors during operation!  
Example:  $I(-10^\circ\text{C}) \sim 1/16 I(20^\circ\text{C})$

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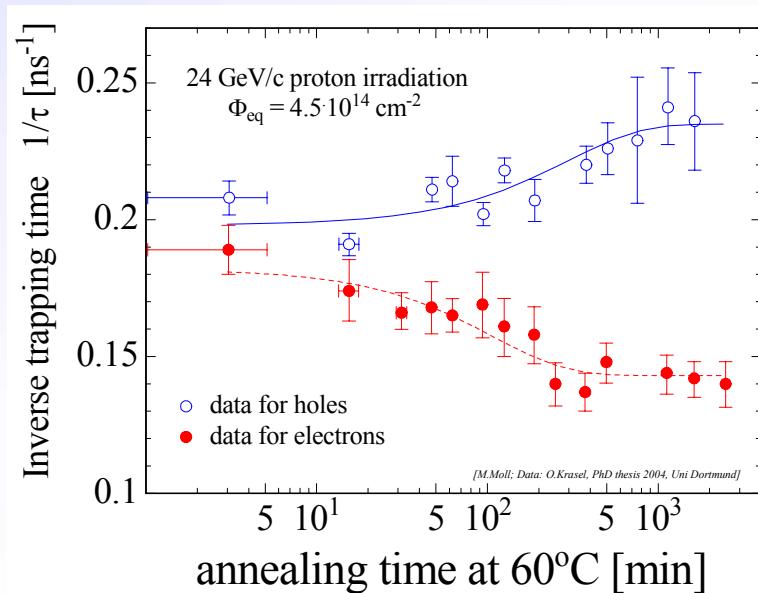
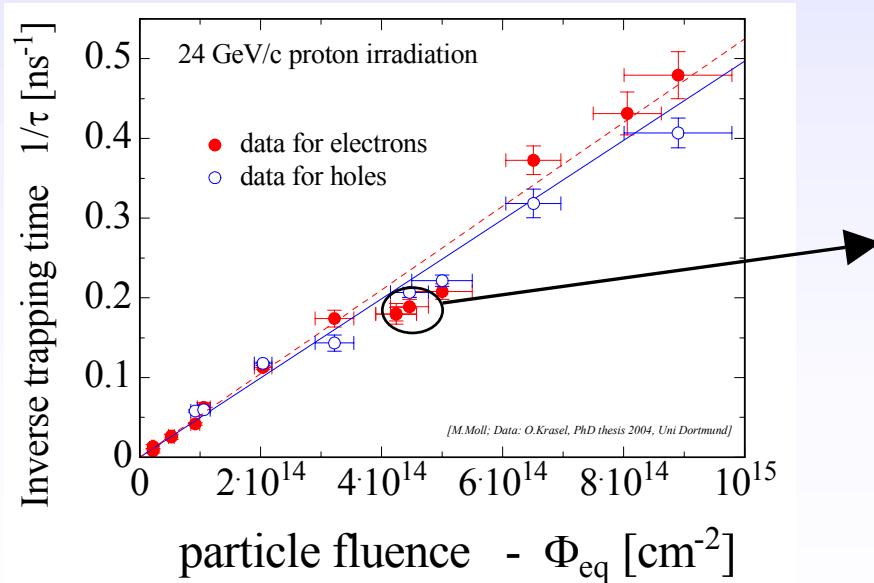
## Deterioration of Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE)

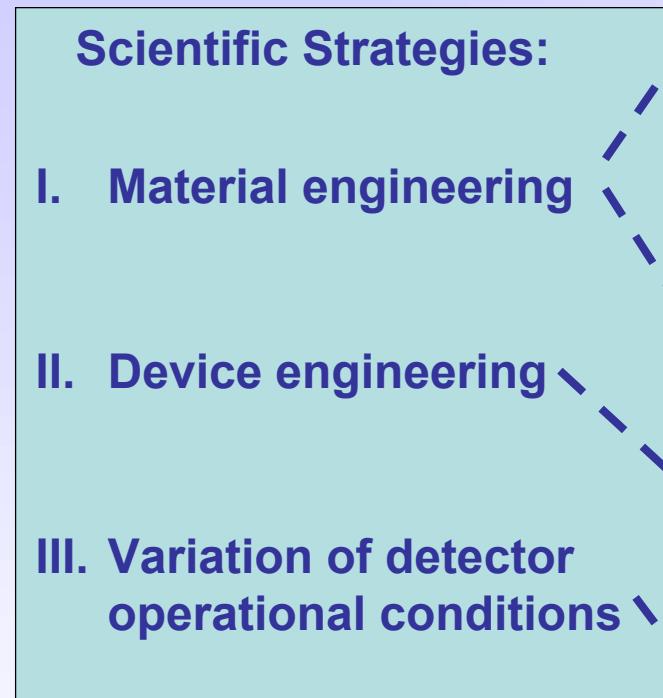
- 2 mechanisms: - **Trapping** of electrons and holes
- **Underdepletion** (loss of active detector volume due to increase of  $V_{dep}$ )

Trapping is characterized by an effective trapping time  $\tau_{eff}$  for electrons and holes:

$$Q_{e,h}(t) = Q_{0e,h} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\tau_{eff,e,h}} \cdot t\right) \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{1}{\tau_{eff,e,h}} \propto N_{defects}$$

Increase of inverse trapping time ( $1/\tau$ ) with fluence ..... and change with time (annealing):





#### Active CERN R&D collaborations:

- RD50 "Radiation hard semiconductor devices for very high luminosity colliders"
- RD42 "CVD Diamond Radiation Detectors"
- RD39 "Cryogenic Tracking Detectors"

### ■ Defect Engineering of Silicon

*Deliberate incorporation of impurities or defects into the silicon bulk to improve radiation tolerance of detectors*

- **Needs:** profound understanding of radiation damage (*microscopic defects, macroscopic parameters, dependence on particles type and energy, defect formation kinetics and annealing processes*)
- **Examples:** - Oxygen enriched silicon  
- Hydrogen enriched silicon  
- Pre-irradiated silicon

### ■ New Materials (other semiconductors than Si)

- Diamond, Silicon Carbide (SiC), ...

### ■ New detector designs

- **Examples:** - p-type silicon detectors (n-in-p)  
- thin detectors, epitaxial detectors  
- 3D and Semi 3D detectors

### ■ Cryogenic operation of detectors

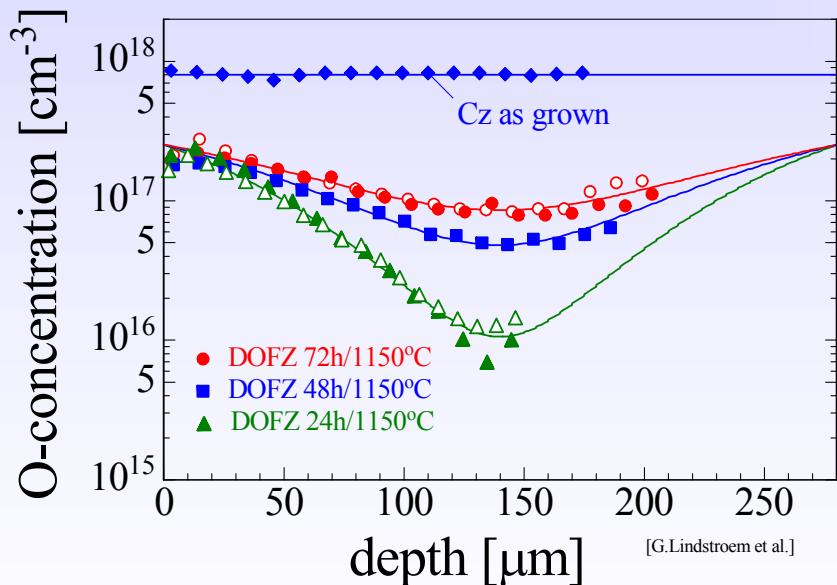
Operate detectors at 100-200K to reduce the charge loss ("Lazarus effect")

## DOFZ (Diffusion Oxygenated Float Zone Silicon)

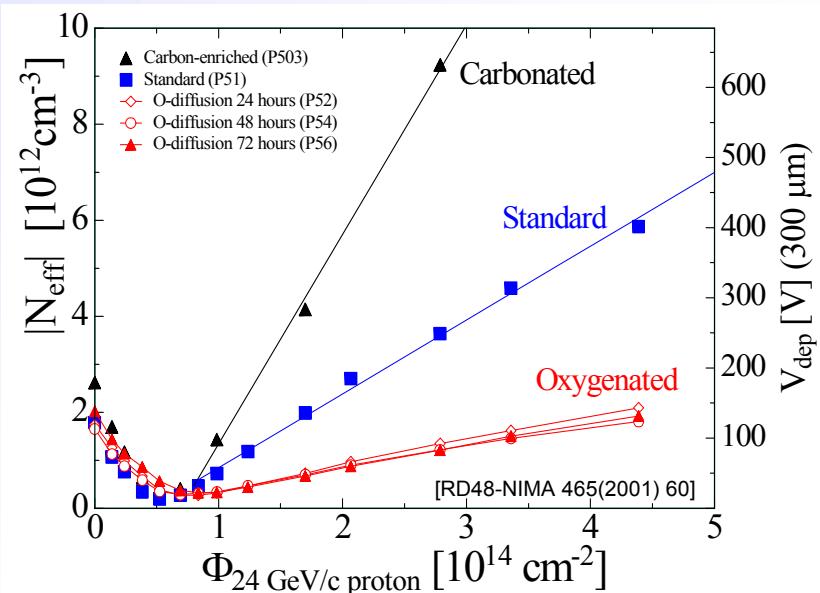
- 1982 First oxygen diffusion tests on FZ [Brotherton et al. J.Appl.Phys., Vol.53, No.8., 5720]
- 1995 First tests on detector grade silicon [Z.Li et al. IEEE TNS Vol.42, No.4, 219]
- 1999 Introduced to the HEP community by CERN - RD48 (ROSE-Collaboration )



Very long oxidation (e.g. 48h at 1150°C) increases the oxygen content in silicon



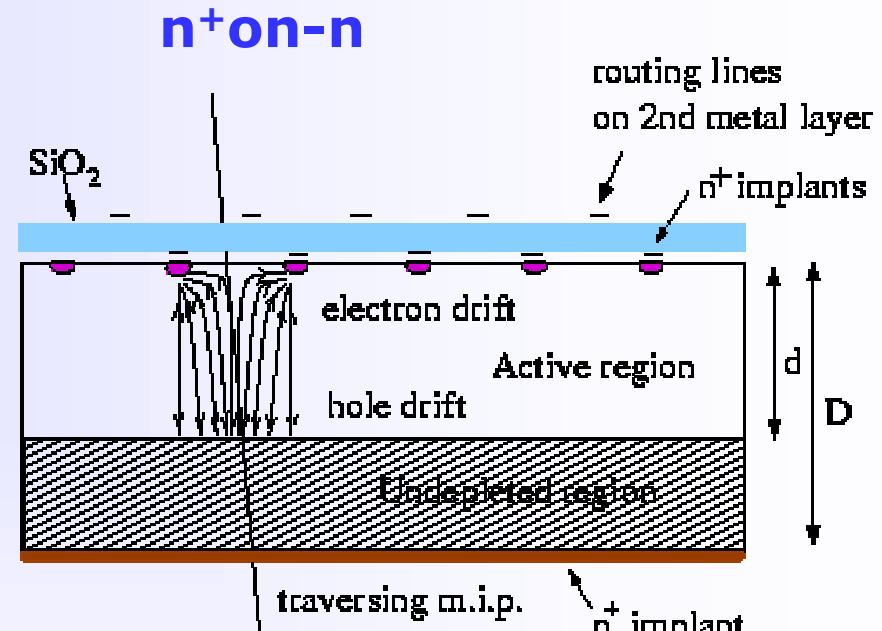
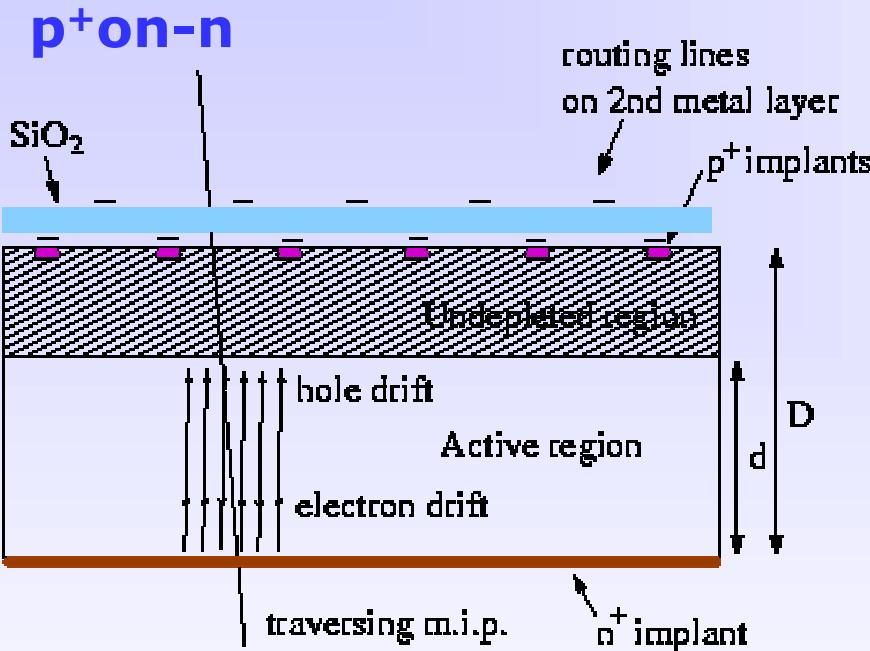
Strong improvement after charged hadron irradiation observed



- 2005: DOFZ silicon used for the ATLAS and CMS Pixel detectors
- 2005: Other types of oxygen rich silicon under investigation: Czochralski Si, epitaxial Si

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## n-type silicon after type inversion:



### p-on-n silicon, under-depleted:

- Charge spread – degraded resolution
- Charge loss – reduced CCE

### n-on-n silicon, under-depleted:

- Limited loss in CCE
- Less degradation with under-depletion
- Collect electrons (fast)

# New detector concepts: 3D detectors

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- **Electrodes:**

- narrow columns along detector thickness-“3D”
- diameter:  $\approx 10\mu\text{m}$ ; distance: 50 - 100 $\mu\text{m}$

- **Lateral depletion:**

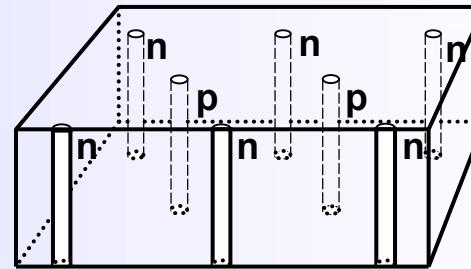
- lower depletion voltage needed ( $V_{\text{dep}} \sim d^2$ )
- radiation tolerant or thick detectors possible
- fast signal ( $\approx 3.5$  ns measured)

- **Processing of detectors:**

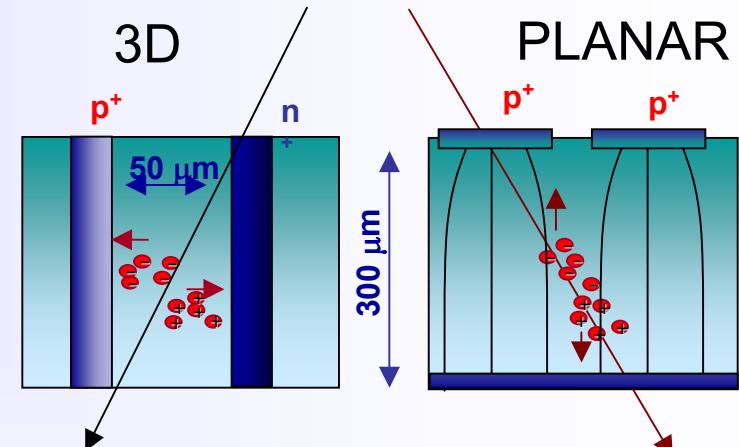
- complex fabrication: Holes have to be made and filled with electrodes (DRIE etching, Laser drilling, Photo Electro Chemical etching); present aspect ratio (depth to diameter)  $\approx 30:1$
- possibility to implement narrow dead regions at edges “edgeless detectors”

- **Application:**

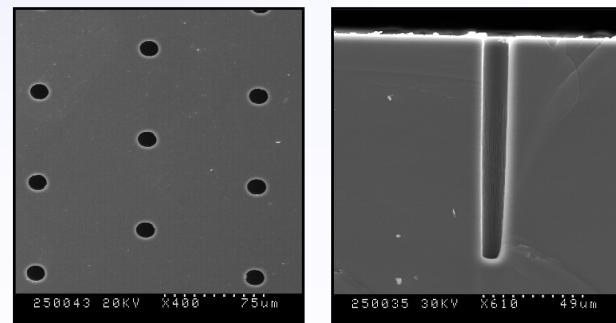
- detectors still under development!
- option for LHC experiments upgrade ?



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