

# Tracciatori in 4D

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## Day 1:

- Why timing?
- A Time tagging system
- Gain in Silicon detectors
- Signal formation, go thin!

## Day 2:

- Radiation damage
- Read-out
- From a pixel to a tracker

**Bonus: design your own detector → prepare for tomorrow**

## **4D tracking with ultra-fast silicon detectors**

<http://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1361-6633/aa94d3/pdf>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.08666>

# Preamble: Timing layers, 4D- and 5D-tracking

Besides a few indirect signals of new physics, particle physics today faces a discovery desert.

We need to cross an **energy- cross section** desert to reach the El-dorado of new physics.

Very little help in the direction of this path is coming from nature, the burden is on the accelerator and experimental physicists to provide the means for this crossing.

**Timing is one of the enabling technologies to cross the desert**





# The effect of timing information

**The inclusion of track-timing in the event information has the capability of changing radically how we design experiments.**

**Timing can be available at different levels of the event reconstruction, in increasing order of complexity:**

- 1) Timing in the event reconstruction → **Timing layers**
  - this is the easiest implementation, a layer ONLY for timing
- 2) Timing at each point along the track → **4D tracking**
  - tracking-timing
- 3) Timing at each point along the track at high rate → **5D tracking**
  - Very high rate represents an additional step in complication, very different read-out chip and data output organization

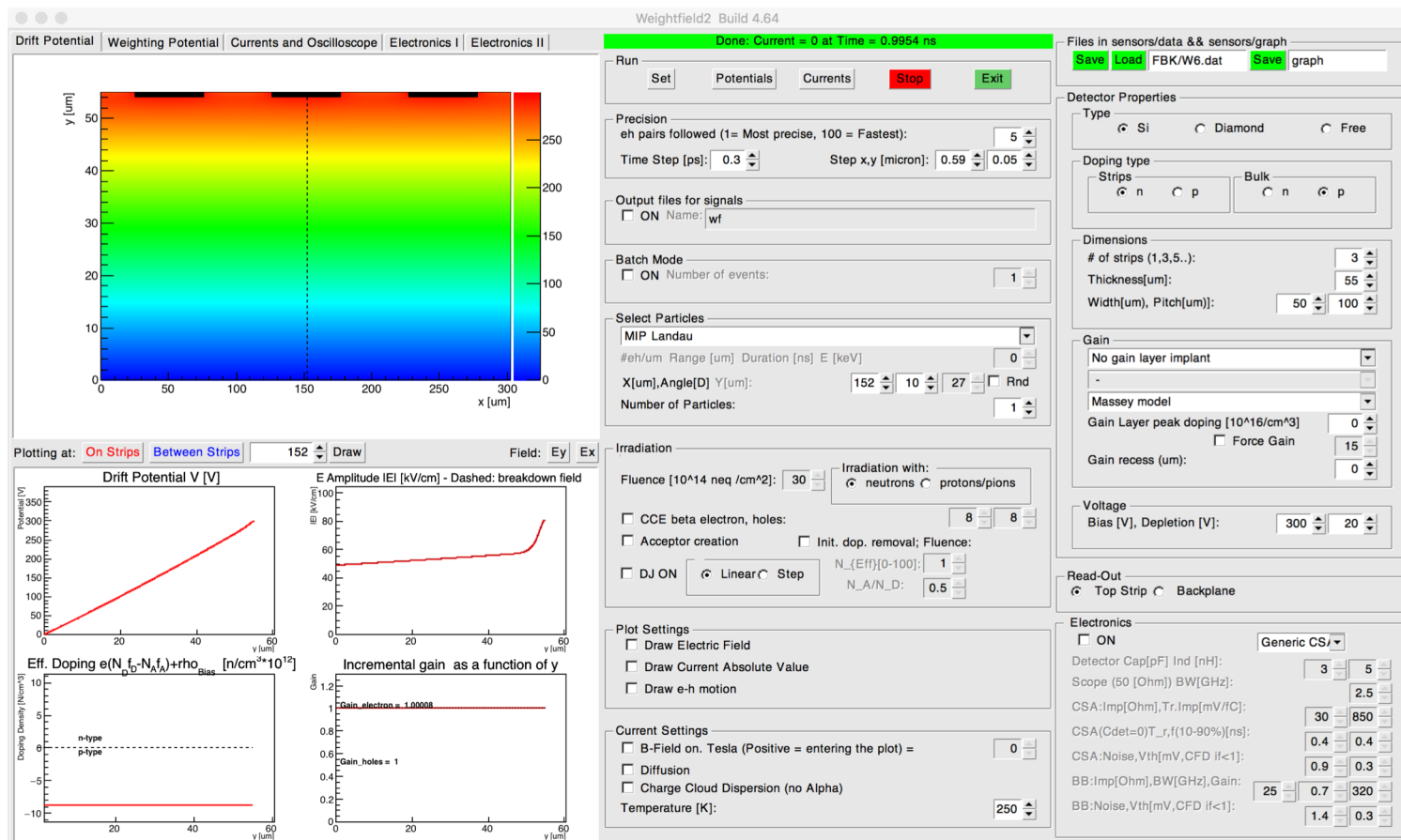
# Preamble: simulator Weightfield2

Available at:

<http://personalpages.to.infn.it/~cartigli/Weightfield2/Main.html>

It requires Root build from source, it is for Linux and Mac.

It will not replace TCAD, but it helps in understanding the sensors response



# Weightfield2

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Highlights:

- It is completely open source
- it's fast
- It generates the signal from several sources (MIP, alpha, lasers..)
- Runs in batch mode writing output files
- It loads/save configurations
- It has basics electronics simulation

**It crashes occasionally**

How to use it:

Obtain the last version from

<http://personalpages.to.infn.it/~cartigli/Weightfield2/Main.html>

- 1) From the download page, get the latest version
- 2) Unzip it and then type:
- 3) Make or 3-bis) make -f Makefile\_MacOS10.10\_root6
- 4) ./weightfield

# Consideriamo la situazione ad LHC, esperimento CMS

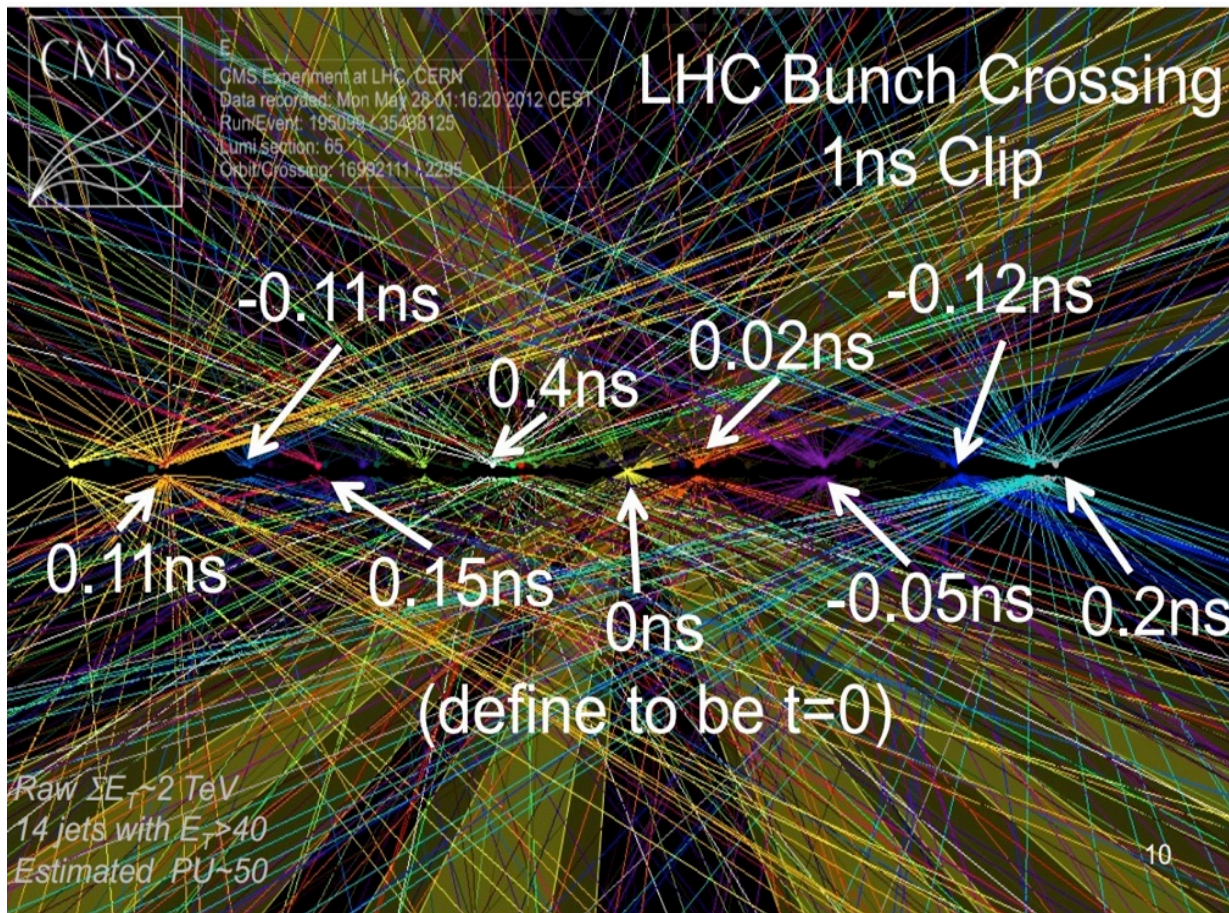


Figure 1 Interaction time of many proton-proton vertexes happening in the same bunch crossing in the case of  $\sim 50$  overlapping events. The vertexes are spaced 10's of pico seconds apart.

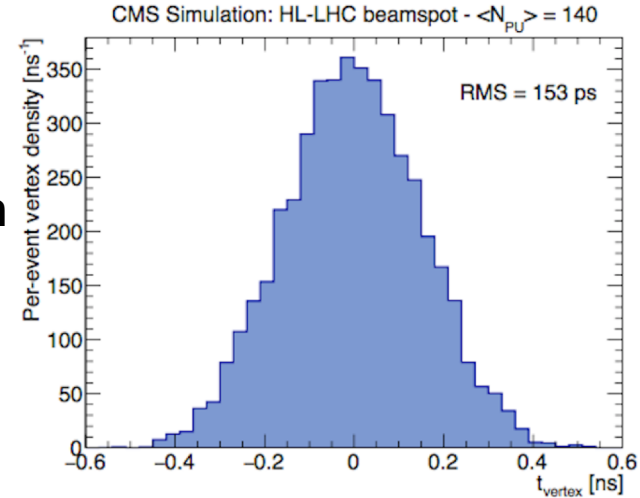
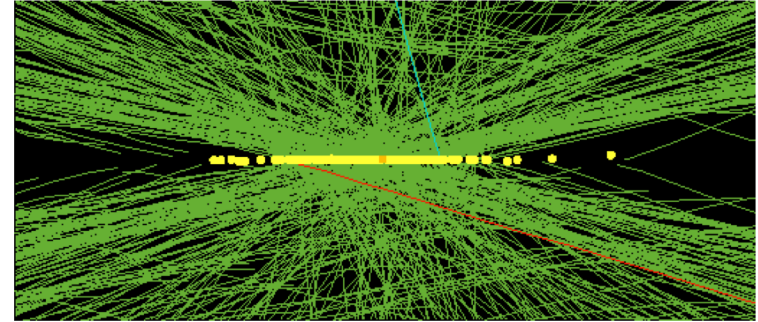
# Is timing really necessary?

The research into 4D tracking is strongly motivated by the HL-LHC experimental conditions:

**150-200 events/bunch crossing**

According to CMS simulations:

- **Time RMS between vertexes: 153 ps**
- **Average distance between two vertexes: 500  $\mu\text{m}$**
- **Fraction of overlapping vertexes: 10-20%**
  - Of those events, a large fraction will have significant degradation of the quality of reconstruction



**At HL-LHC: Timing is equivalent to additional luminosity**

# One extra dimension: tracking in 4Dimension

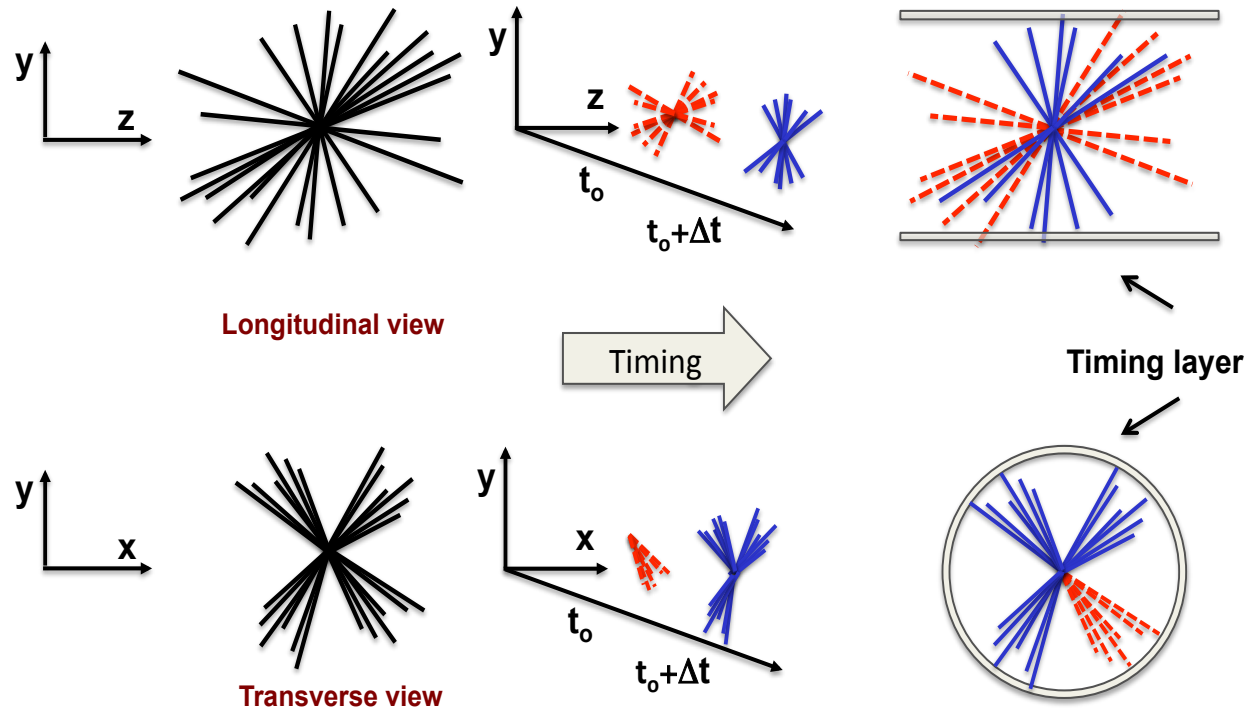
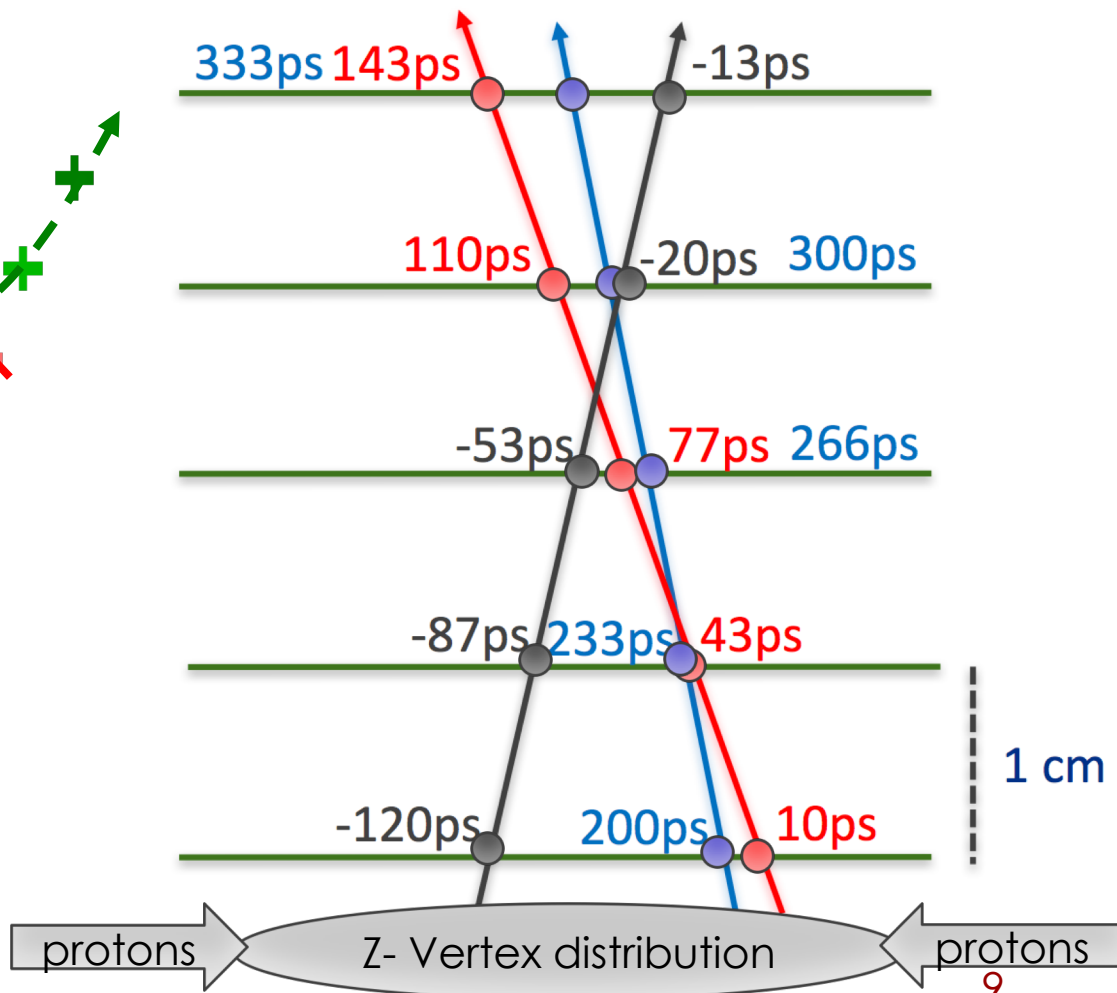
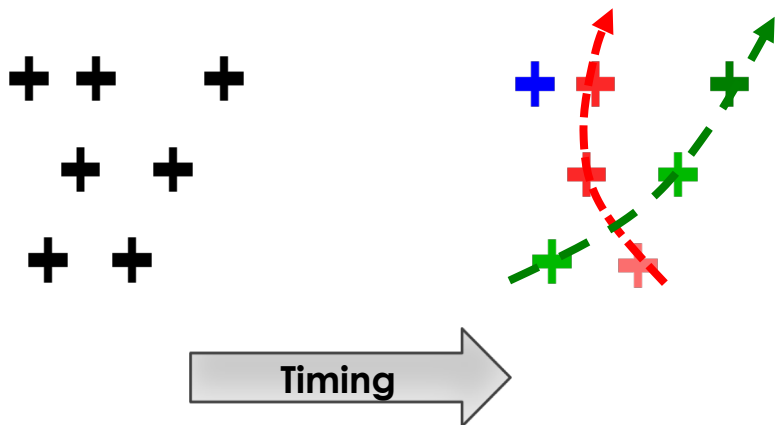


Figure 4 Schematic representation of the power of timing information in distinguishing overlapping events using a timing layer.

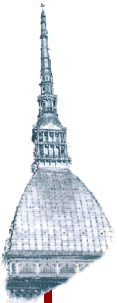


# Timing at each point along the track

- Massive simplification of pattern recognition, new tracking algorithms will be faster even in very dense environments
- Use only “time compatible points”

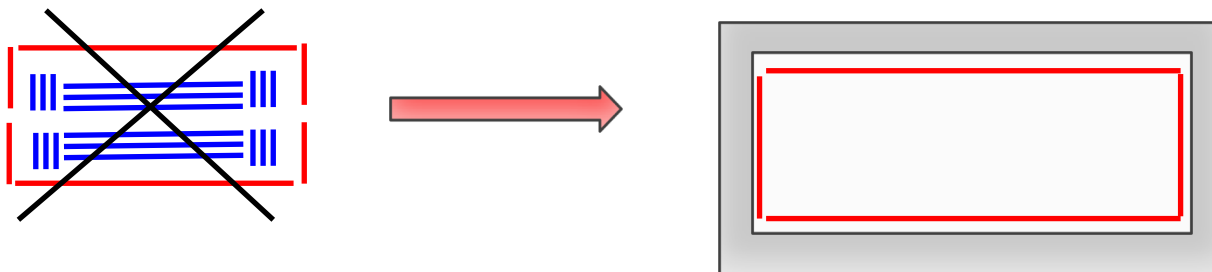


# Where do we place a single timing layer?

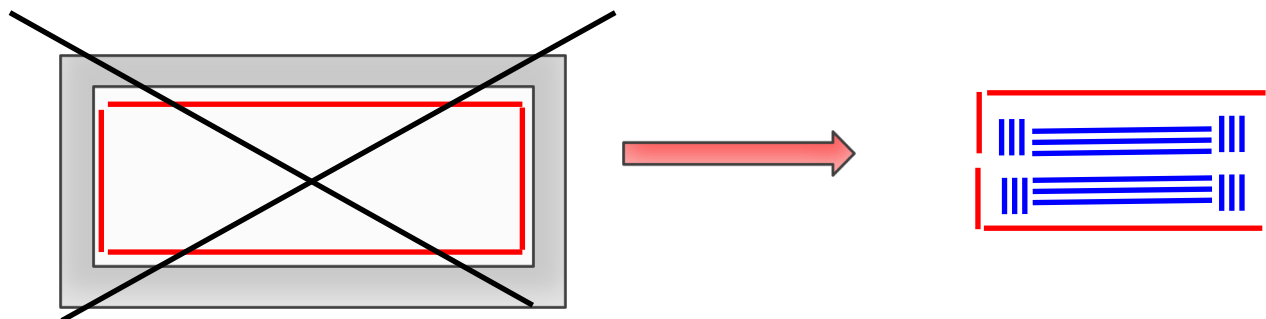


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**The tracking community** thinks it is a wonderful idea, clearly to be implemented **outside the tracker volume**, in front of the calorimeter



**The calorimeter community** thinks it is a wonderful idea, clearly to be implemented **far from the calorimeter**, in the tracker volume



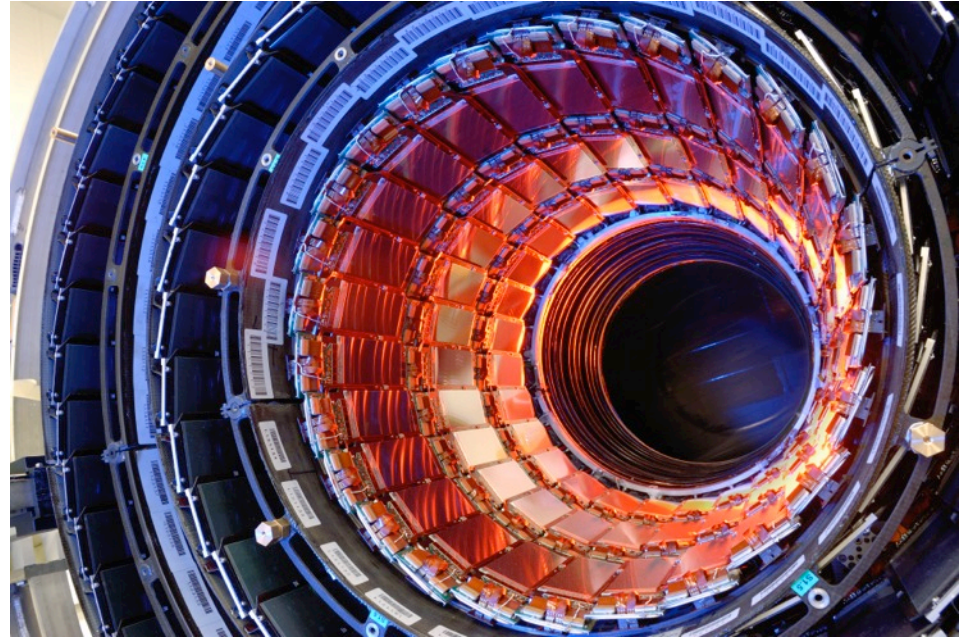
We are now in contact with **the muon community**....

# State-of-the-art Position Detectors

Extremely good position detectors are currently in use in every major high energy physics experiment:

- Millions of channels
- Very reliable
- Very radiation hard

The timing capability is however limited to  $\sim 100\text{-}150$  ps  
(NA62 @CERN)

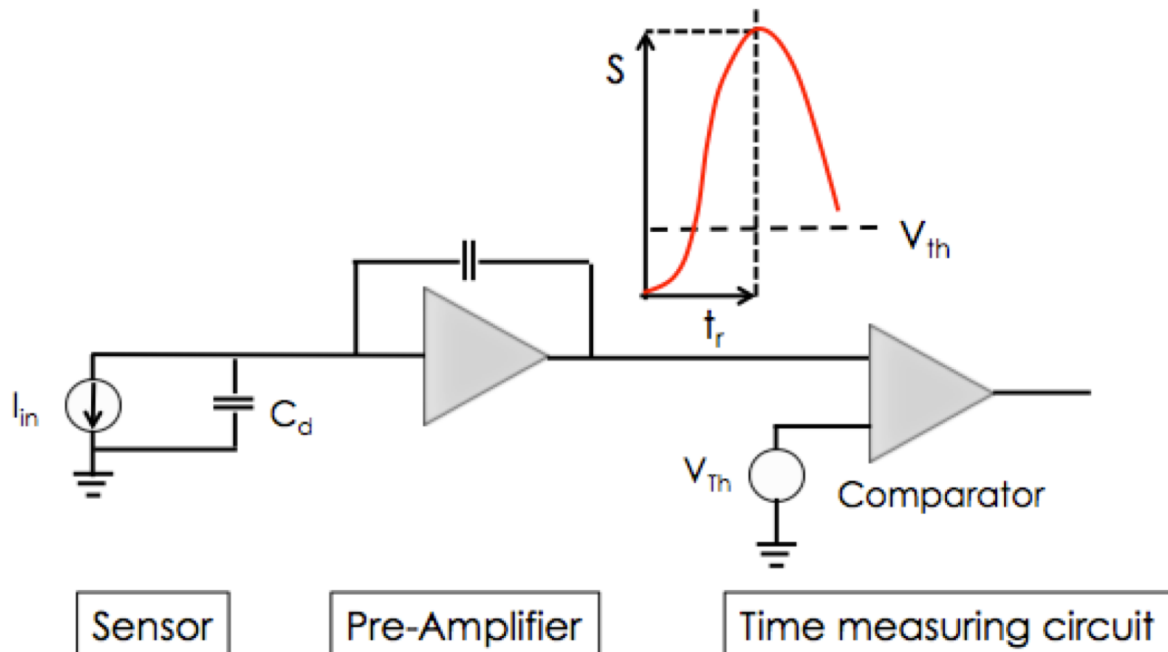


$$\sigma_t \sim 100\text{-}150 \text{ ps}$$

$$\sigma_x \sim 20\text{-}30 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$$

# Silicon time-tagging detector

(a simplified view)



**Time is set when the signal crosses the comparator threshold**

The timing capabilities are determined by the characteristics of the signal at the output of the pre-Amplifier and by the TDC binning.

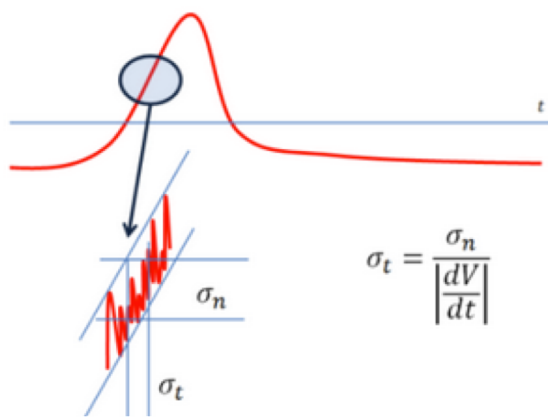
**Strong interplay between sensor and electronics**

# Time resolution

$$\sigma_t = \left( \frac{N}{dV/dt} \right)^2 + (\text{Landau Shape})^2 + \text{TDC}$$

Usual "Jitter" term

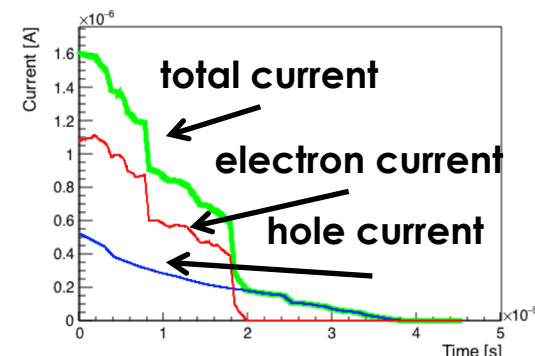
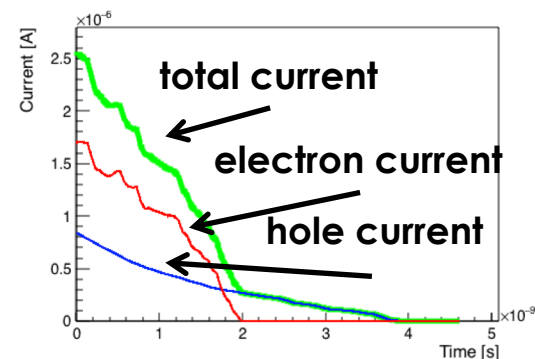
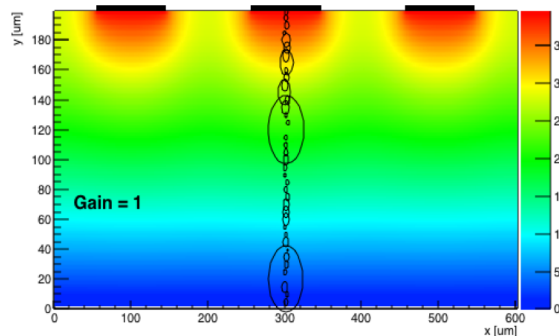
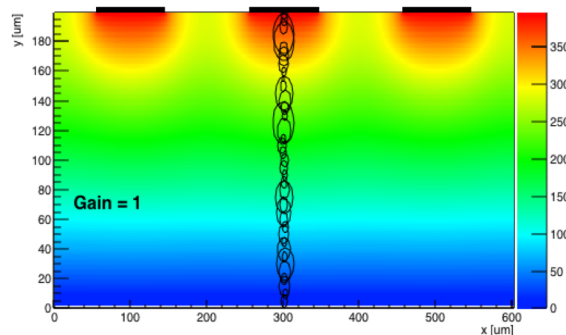
Here enters everything that is "Noise" and the steepness of the signal

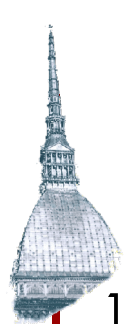


**Need large dV/dt**

**Time walk:** Amplitude variation, corrected in electronics

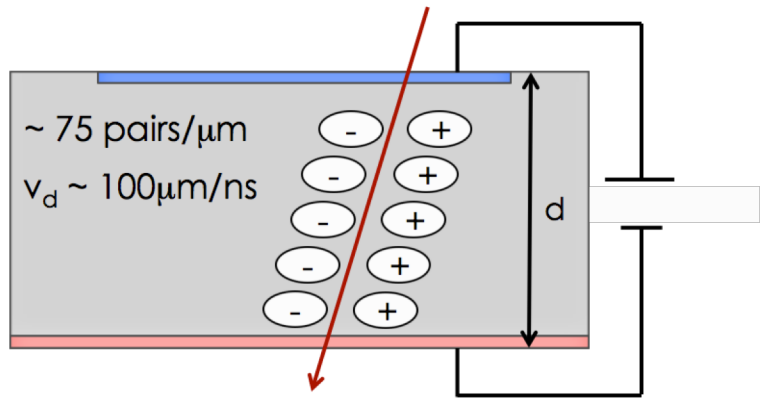
**Shape variations:** non homogeneous energy





# Gain needs $E \sim 300\text{kV/cm}$ . How can we do it?

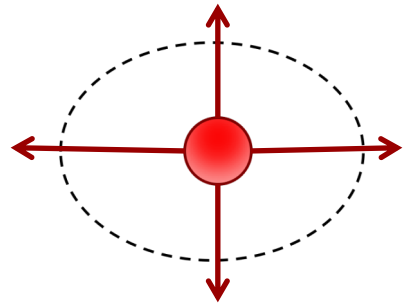
1) Use external bias: assuming a 50 micron silicon detector, we need  $V_{\text{bias}} = \sim 600 - 700 \text{ V}$



**Difficult to achieve**

2) Use Gauss Theorem:

$$\sum q = 2\pi r * E$$



$$E = 300 \text{ kV/cm} \rightarrow q \sim 10^{16} / \text{cm}^3$$

**Need to have  $10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$  charges !!**

# Gain in Silicon detectors

Gain in silicon detectors is commonly achieved in several types of sensors. It's based on the avalanche mechanism that starts in high electric fields:  $V \sim 300 \text{ kV/cm}$

Charge multiplication

Gain:

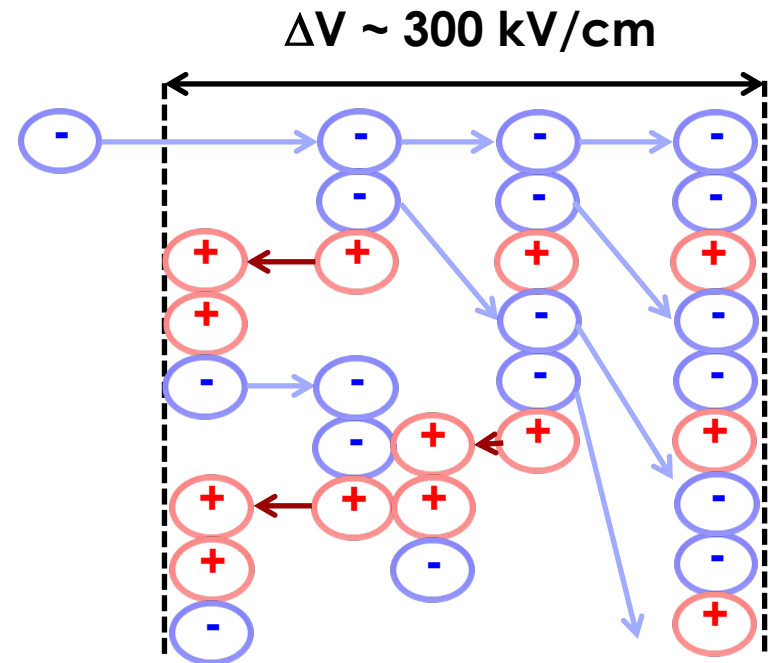
- $\alpha$  = strong E dependance
- $\alpha \sim 0.7 \text{ pair}/\mu\text{m}$  for electrons,
- $\alpha \sim 0.1$  for holes

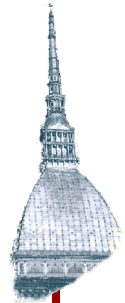
$$N(l) = N_0 \cdot e^{\alpha \cdot l}$$
$$G = e^{\alpha \cdot l} \quad \alpha_{e,h}(E) = \alpha_{e,h}(\infty) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{b_{e,h}}{|E|}\right)$$

Concurrent multiplication of electrons and holes generate very high gain

**Silicon devices with gain:**

- **APD: gain 50-500**
- **SiPM: gain  $\sim 10^4$**





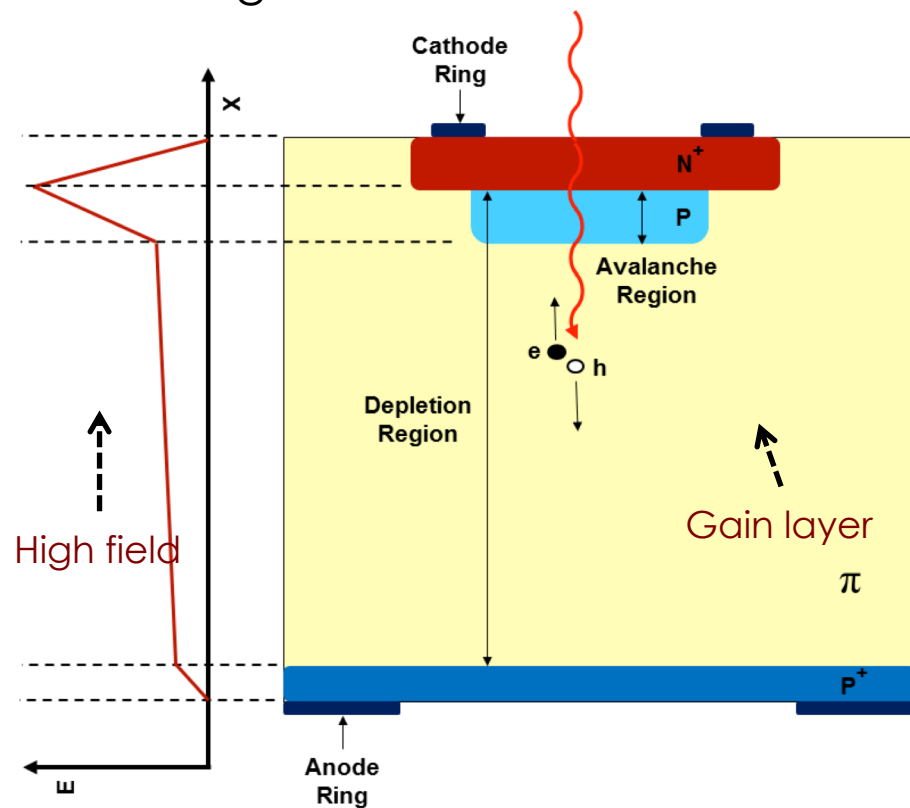
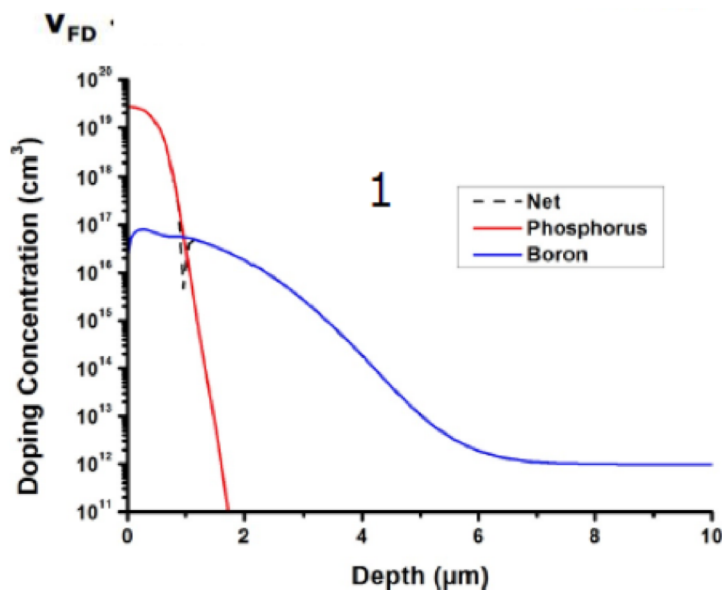
# Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (LGADs)

The LGAD sensors, as proposed and manufactured by CNM

(National Center for Micro-electronics, Barcelona):

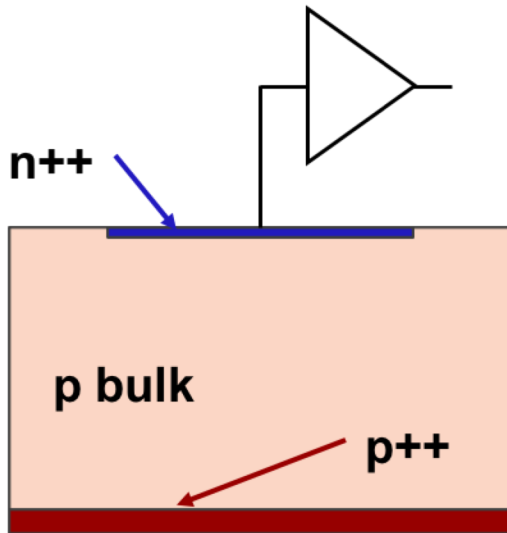
**High field obtained by adding an extra doping layer**

$E \sim 300$  kV/cm, closed to breakdown voltage

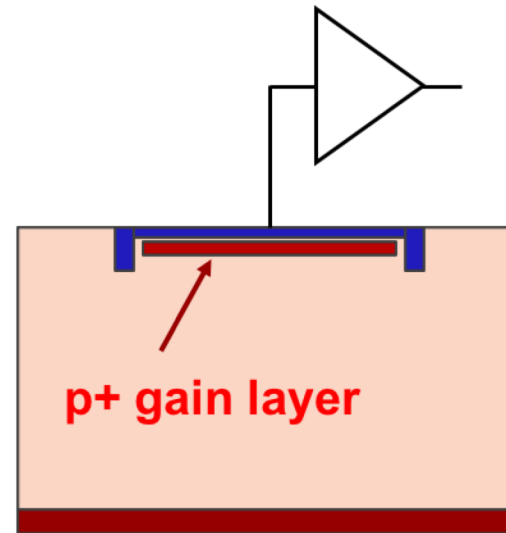




# Difference PiN - LGAD



Traditional silicon diode



Low Gain Avalanche Diode

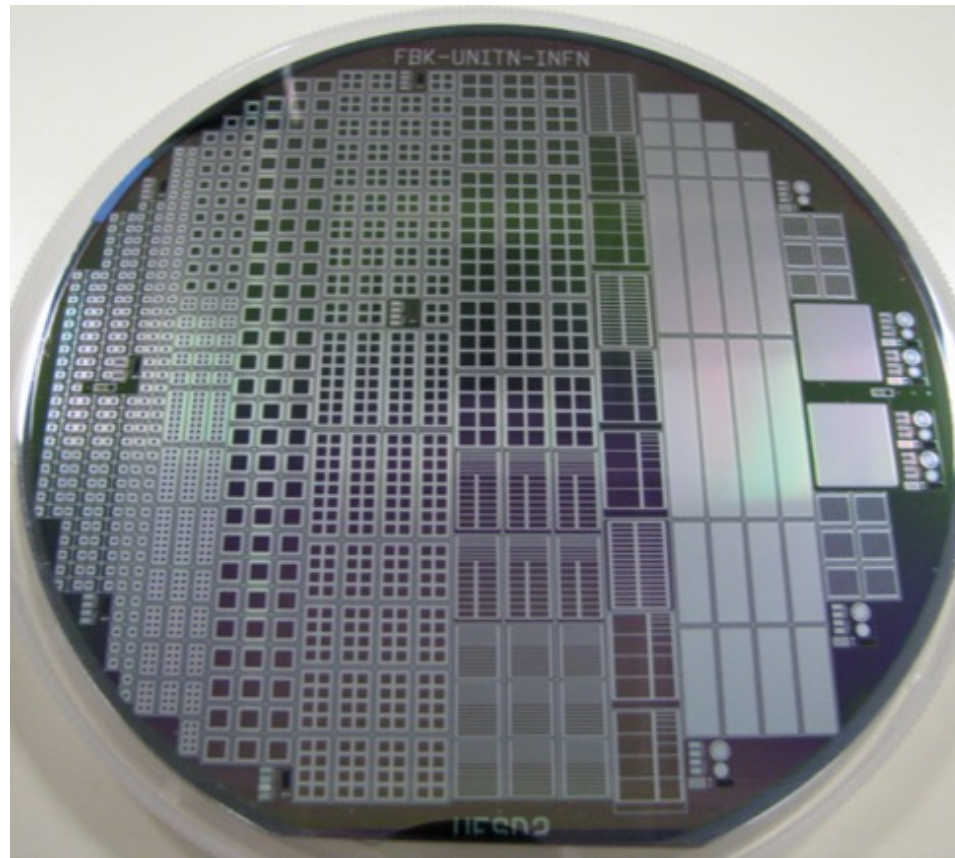
# Come di fanno dei sensori?

Collaborazione molto intensa (~ una riunione a settimana per 3 anni...)

FBK – Trento Uni – INFN

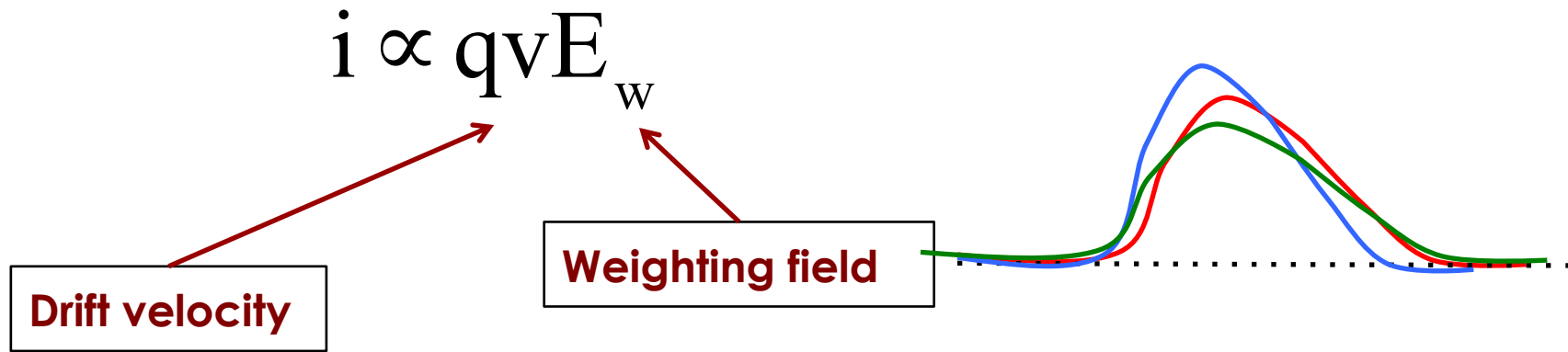
**UFSD1: 300-micron.** First LGAD production at FBK. Gain layer study, edges

**UFSD2: 50-micron.** Very successful, good gain and overall behavior, excellent time resolution. Gain layer doping: Boron, Gallium, Boron + Carbon, Gallium+Carbon



# Not all geometries are possible

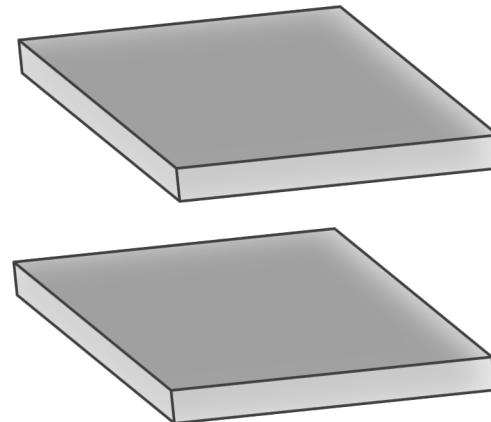
Signal shape is determined by Ramo's Theorem:



**The key to good timing is the uniformity of signals:**

Drift velocity and Weighting field need to be as uniform as possible

**Basic rule: parallel plate geometry**



# Drift Velocity

$$i \propto qvE_w$$

- Highest possible E field to saturate velocity
- Highest possible resistivity for velocity uniformity

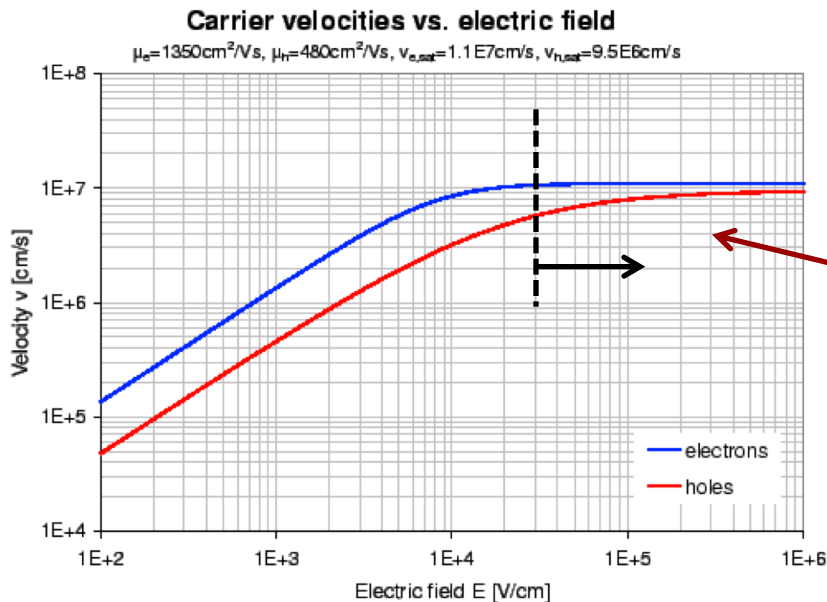


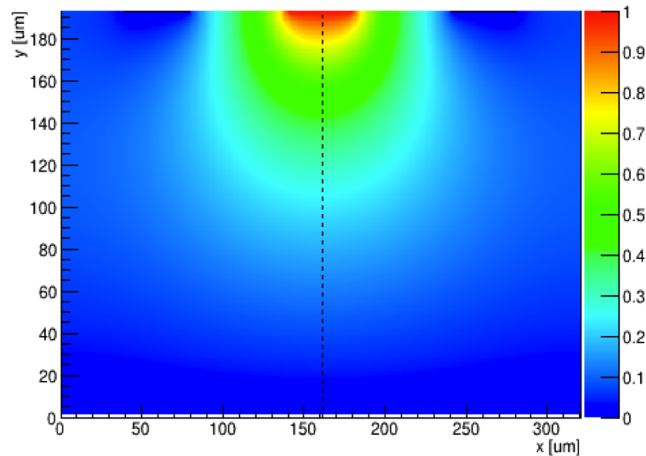
Figure: Electron and hole velocities vs. the electric field strength in silicon.

We want to operate in this regime

# Weighting Field: coupling the charge to the electrode

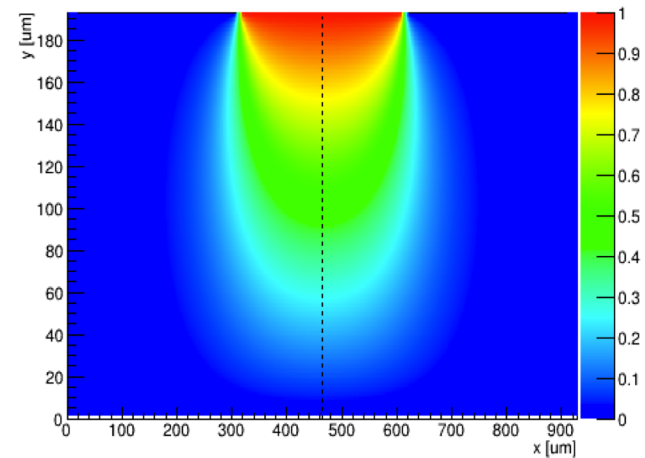
$$i \propto qv \mathbf{E}_w$$

**Strip:** 100  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch, 40  $\mu\text{m}$  width



**Bad:** almost no coupling away from the electrode

**Pixel:** 300  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch, 290  $\mu\text{m}$  width



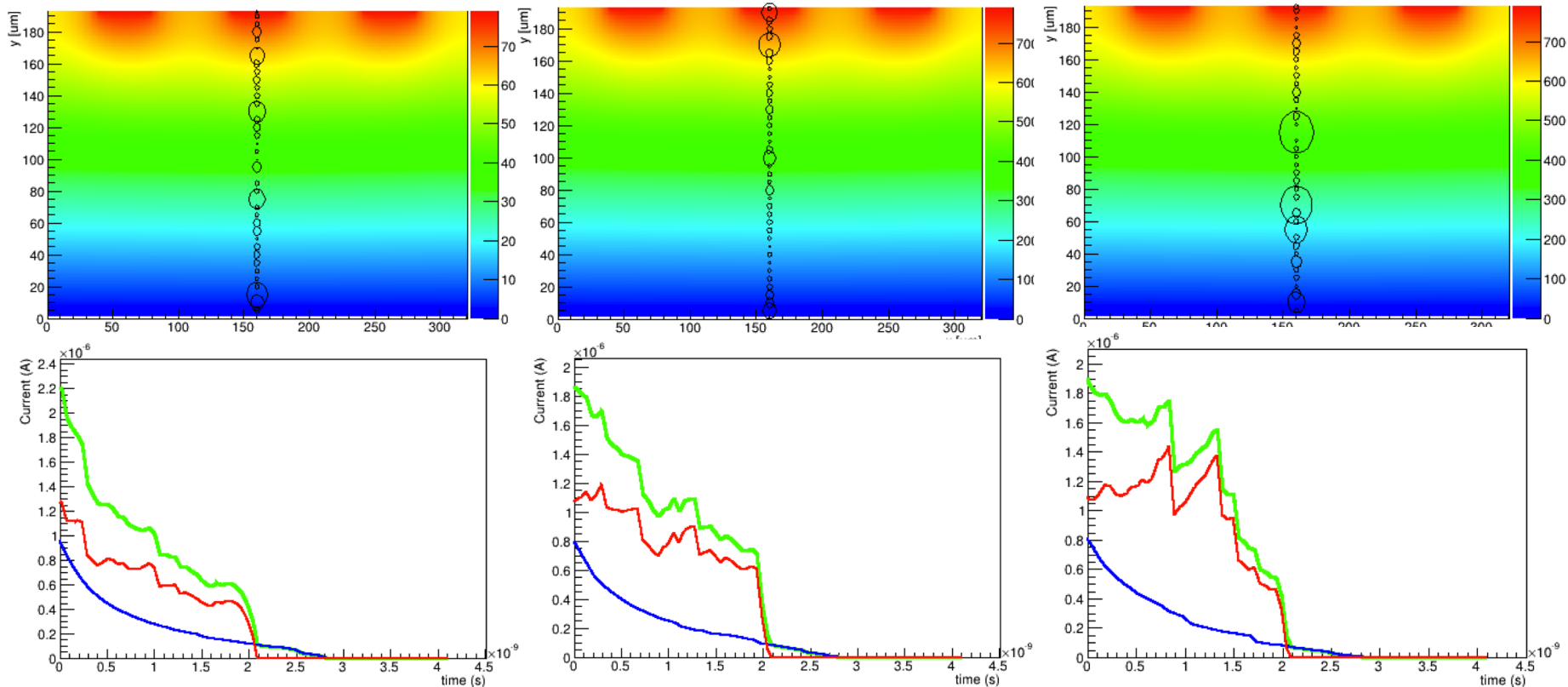
**Good:** strong coupling almost all the way to the backplane

The weighting field needs to be as uniform as possible, so that the coupling is always the same, regardless of the position of the charge

# Non-Uniform Energy deposition

**Landau Fluctuations** cause two major effects:

- Amplitude variations, that can be corrected with time walk compensation
  - For a given amplitude, the charge deposition is non uniform.
- These are 3 examples of this effect:

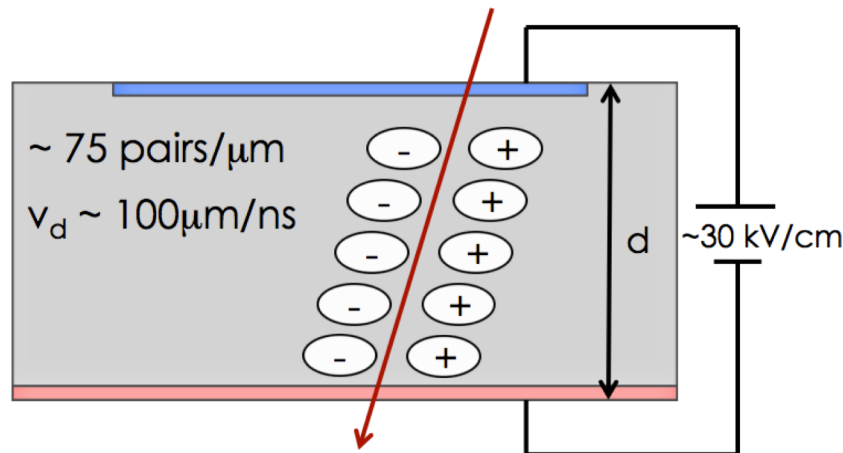


# Signal formation in silicon detectors

We know we need a large signal, but **how is the signal formed?**

**What is controlling the slew rate?**

$$\frac{dV}{dt} \propto ?$$



A particle creates charges, then:

- The charges start moving under the influence of an external field
- The motion of the charges induces a current on the electrodes
- The signal ends when the charges reach the electrodes

# What is the signal of one e/h pair?

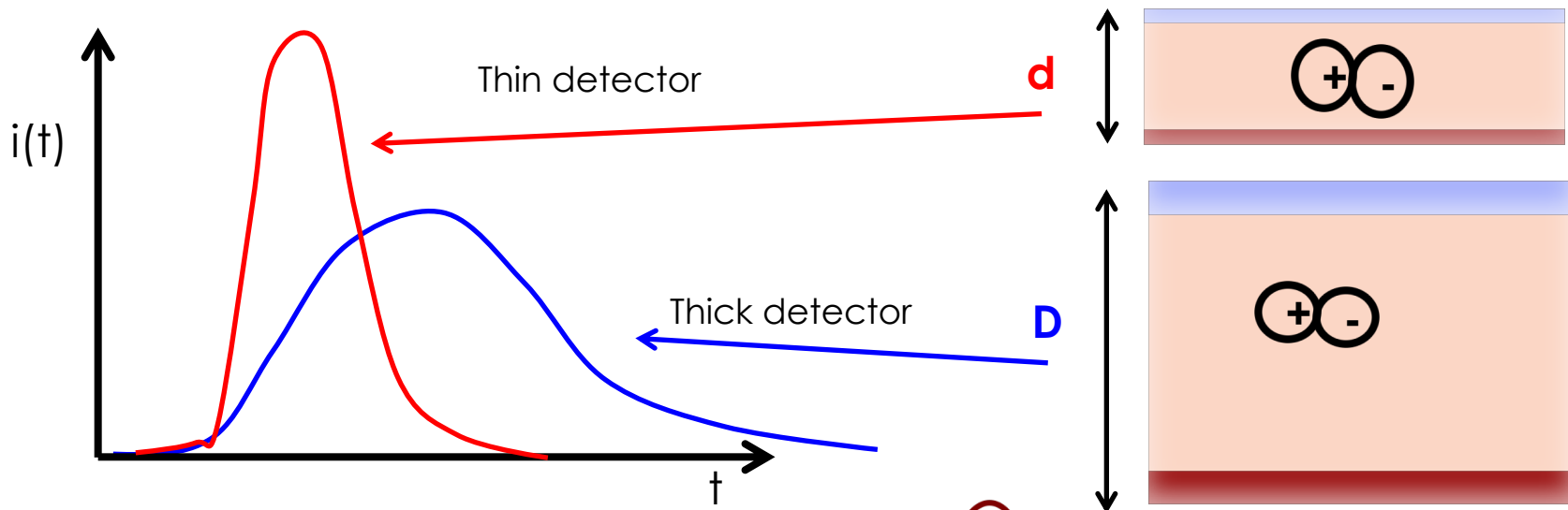
(Simplified model for pad detectors)

Let's consider **one single electron-hole pair**.

The integral of their currents is equal to the electric charge,  $q$ :

$$\int [i_{el}(t) + i_h(t)] dt = q$$

However **the shape of the signal depends on the thickness  $d$** :  
thinner detectors have higher slew rate



→ One e/h pair generates higher current in thin detectors

$$i \propto qv \left( \frac{1}{d} \right)$$

← Weighting field



# Large signals from thick detectors?

(Simplified model for pad detectors)

Thick detectors have higher number of charges:

$$Q_{\text{tot}} \sim 75 q * d$$

However each charge contributes to the initial current as:

$$i \propto qv \frac{1}{d}$$

**The initial current** for a silicon detector does not depend on how thick (d) the sensor is:

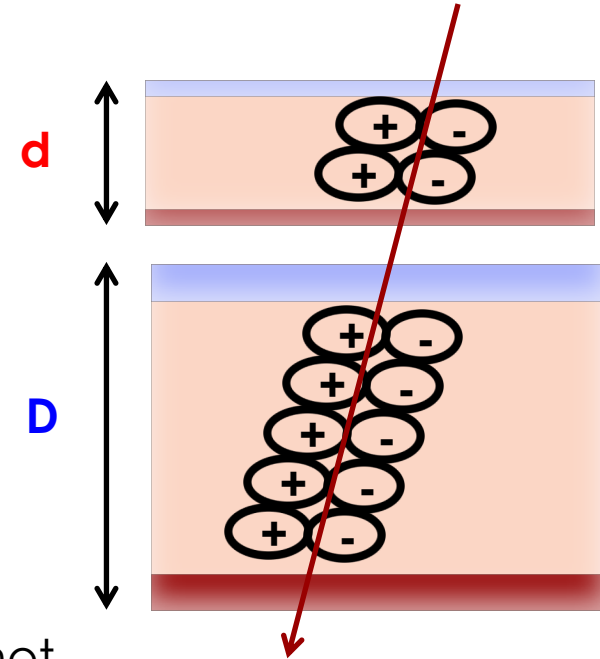
$$i = Nq \frac{k}{d} v = (75dq) \frac{k}{d} v = 75kqv \sim 1 - 2 * 10^{-6} A$$

Number of e/h = 75/micron

Weighting field

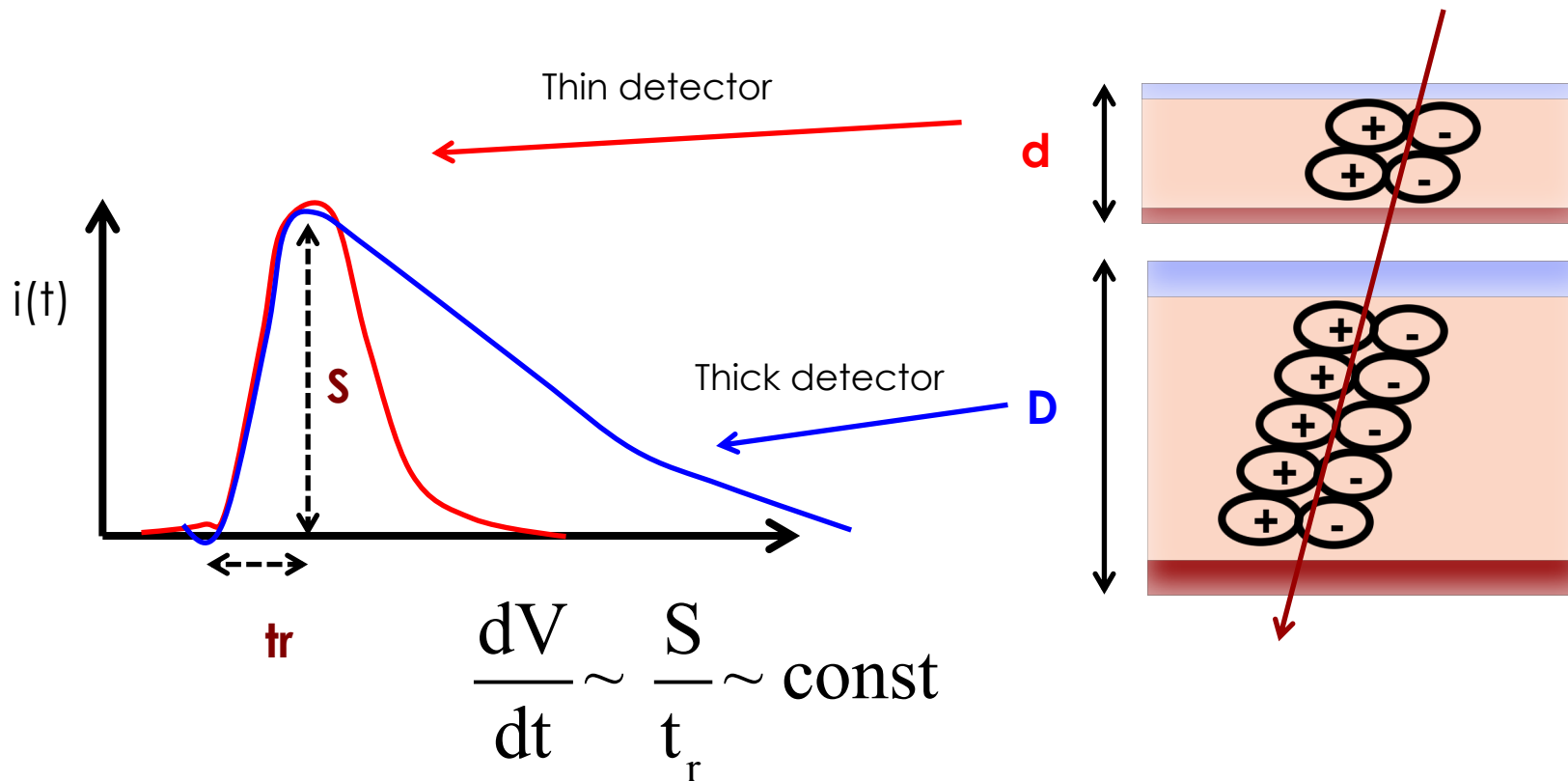
velocity

→ Initial current = constant



# Thin vs Thick detectors

(Simplified model for pad detectors)



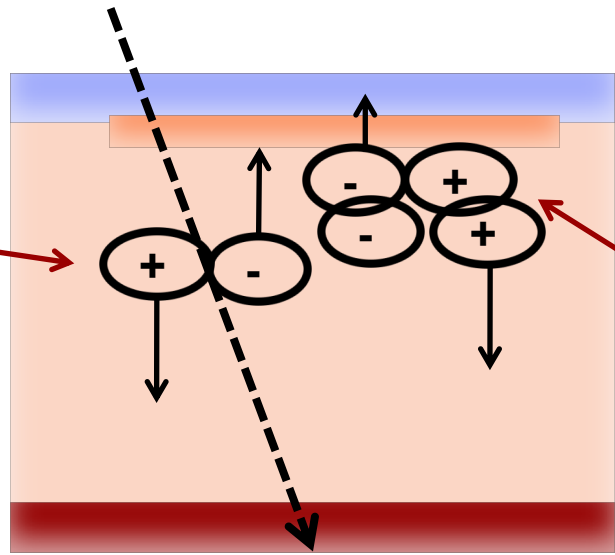
Thick detectors have longer signals, not higher signals

**We need to add gain**

# How gain shapes the signal

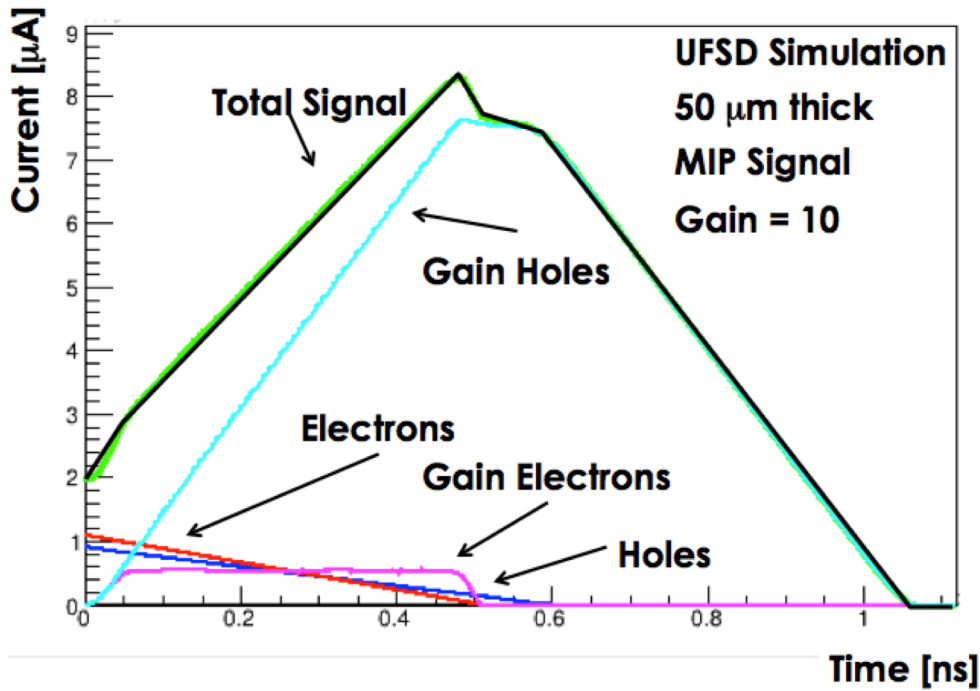


Initial electron, holes



**Gain electron:**  
absorbed immediately

**Gain holes:**  
long drift home



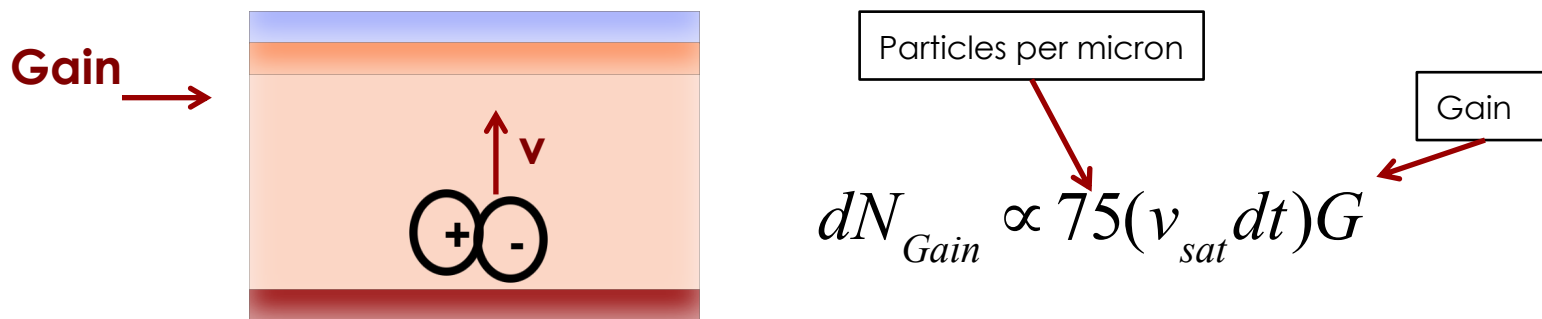
Electrons multiply and produce additional electrons and holes.

- **Gain electrons have almost no effect**
- **Gain holes dominate the signal**

➔ **No holes multiplications**

# Interplay of gain and detector thickness

The rate of particles produced by the gain does not depend on  $d$  (assuming saturated velocity  $v_{sat}$ )



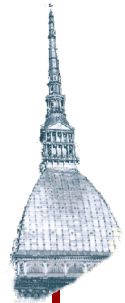
$\rightarrow$  Constant rate of production

However the initial value of the **gain current depends on  $d$**  (via the weighing field)

$$di_{gain} \propto dN_{Gain} q v_{sat} \left(\frac{k}{d}\right) \rightarrow \text{Gain current} \sim 1/d$$

A given value of gain has much more effect on thin detectors

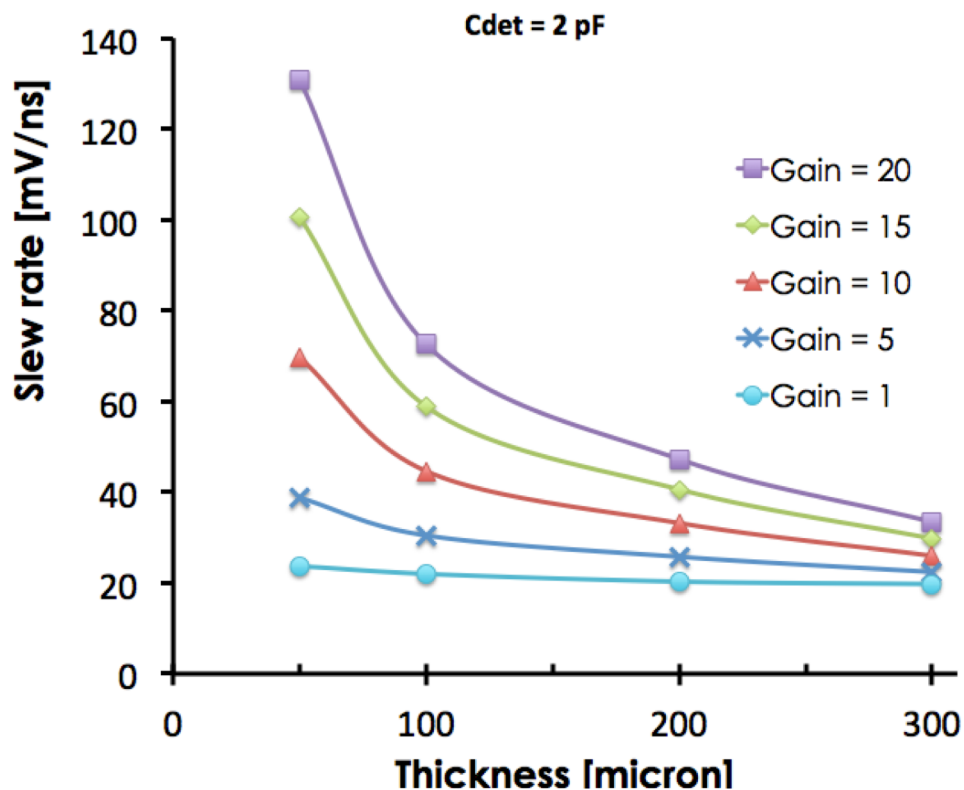
# Gain current vs Initial current



$$\frac{di_{gain}}{i} \propto \frac{dN_{Gain} q v_{sat} \frac{k}{d}}{k q v_{sat}} = \frac{75(v_{sat} dt) G q v_{sat} \frac{k}{d}}{k q v_{sat}} \propto \frac{G}{d} dt$$

!!!

→ Go thin!!



(Real life is a bit more complicated, but the conclusions are the same)

Full simulation

(assuming 2 pF detector capacitance)

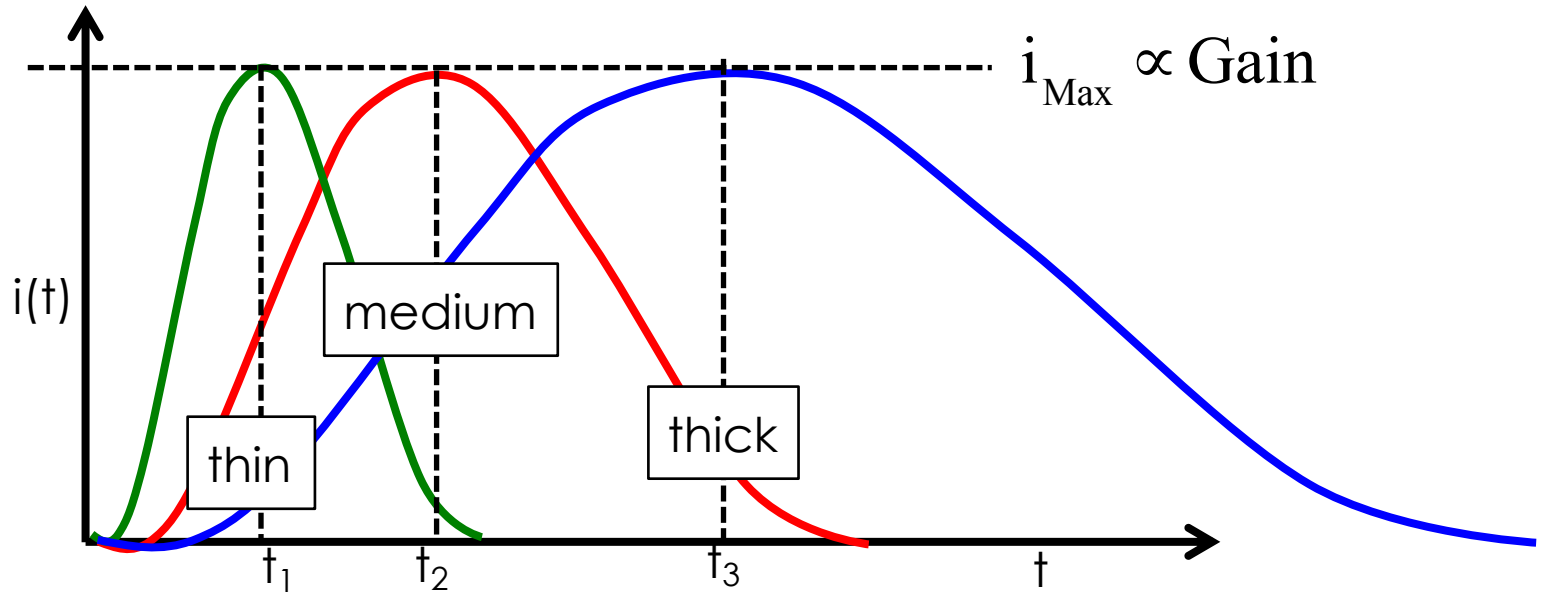
**300 micron:**

~ 2-3 improvement with gain = 20

**Significant improvements in time resolution require thin detectors**

# Gain and Maximum current

$$\frac{dV}{dt} \propto \frac{G}{d}$$



The rise time depends only on the sensor thickness  $\sim 1/d$

# Ultra Fast Silicon Detectors

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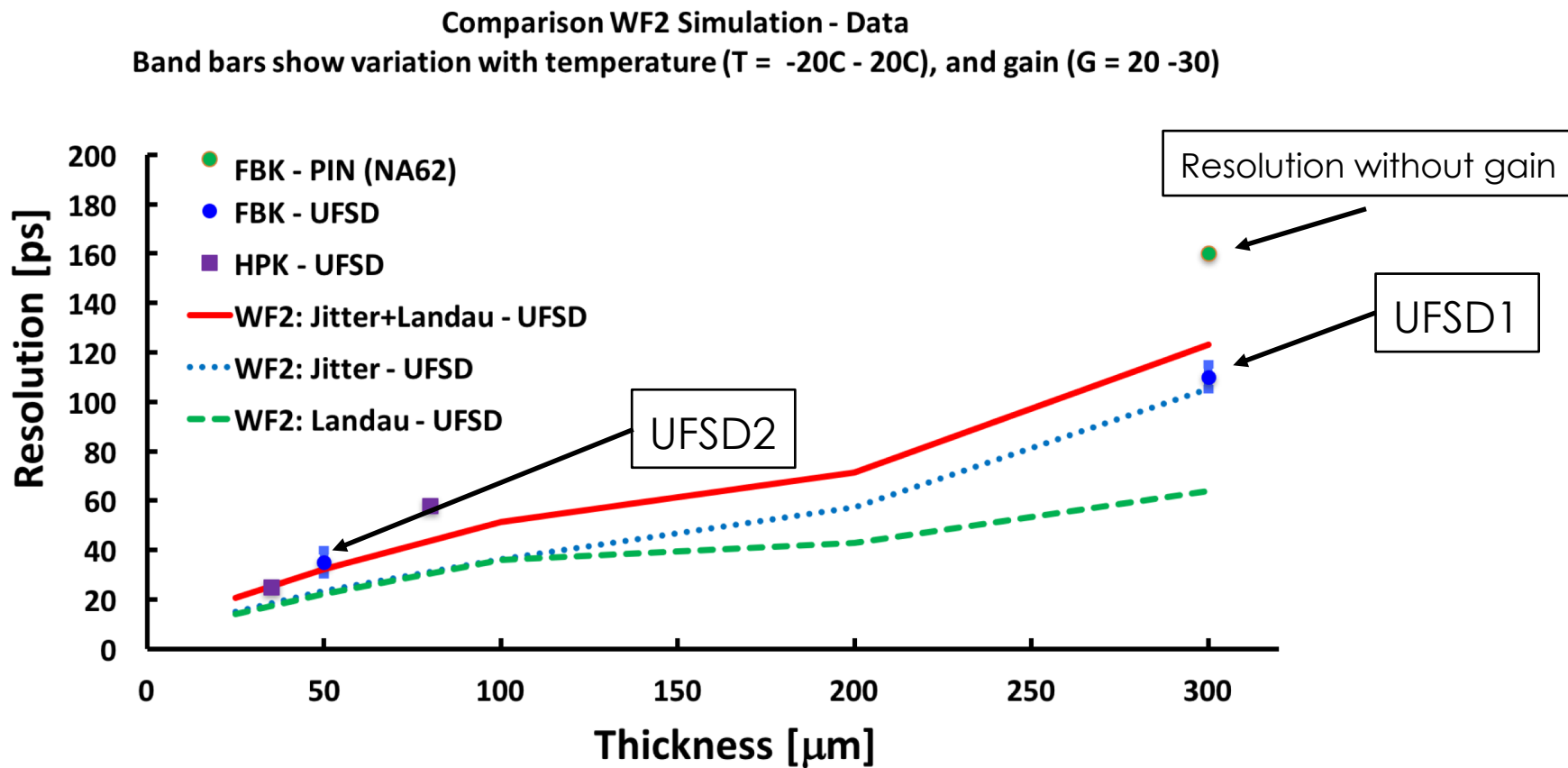
**UFSD are LGAD detectors optimized to achieve the best possible time resolution**

## **Specifically:**

1. Thin to maximize the slew rate ( $dV/dt$ )
2. Parallel plate – like geometries (pixels..) for most uniform weighting field
3. High electric field to maximize the drift velocity
4. Highest possible resistivity to have uniform E field
5. Small size to keep the capacitance low
6. Small volumes to keep the leakage current low (shot noise)

# UFSD time resolution summary

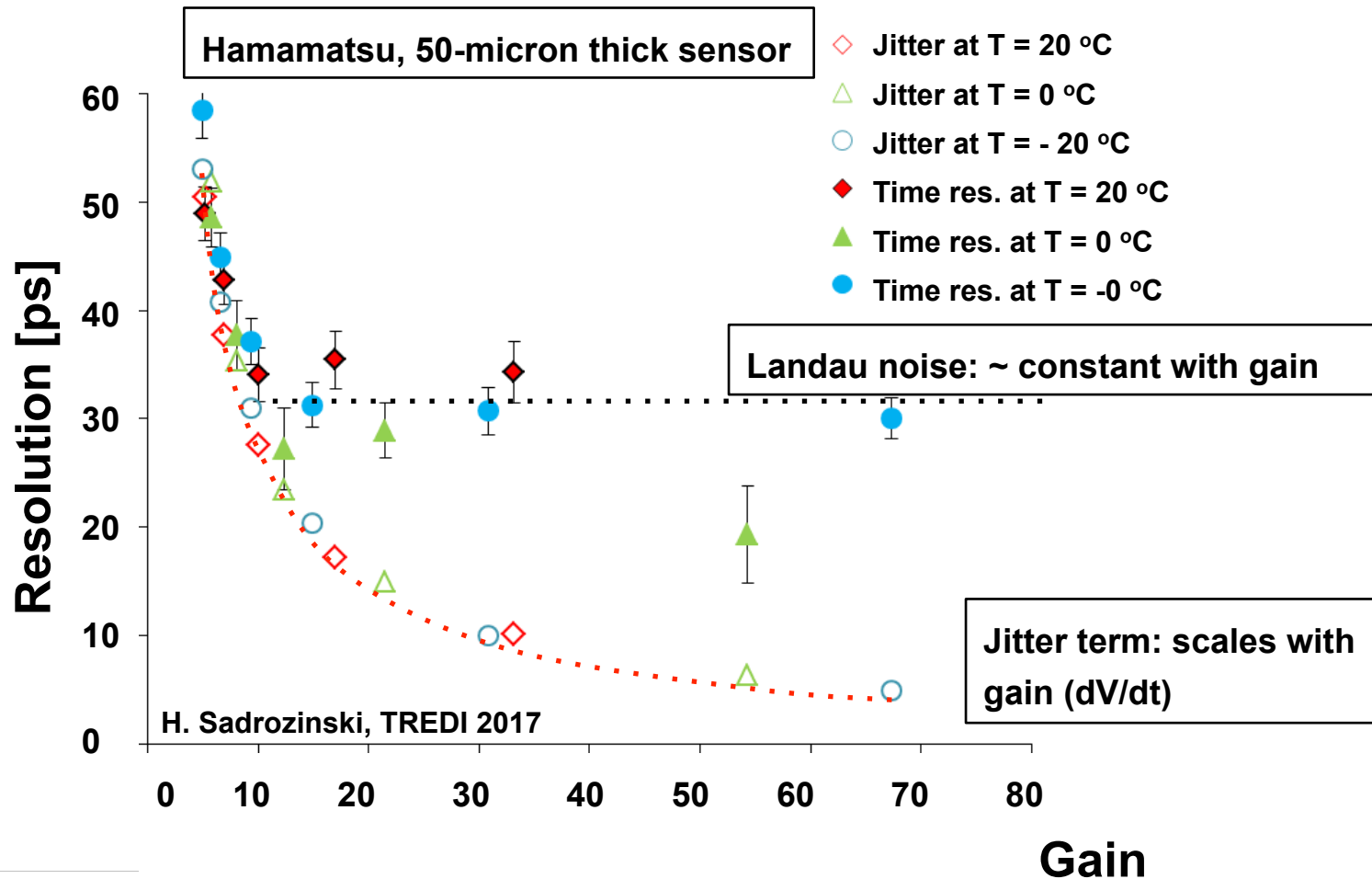
UFSD achieved 30 ps time resolution





# UFSD: HPK time resolution

UFSD from Hamamatsu: 30 ps time resolution,  
Value of gain  $\sim 20$



# Irradiation effects

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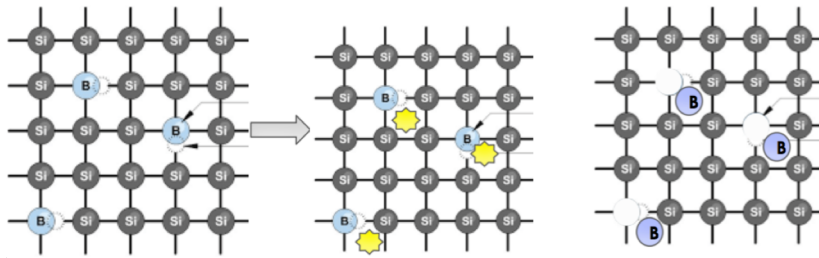
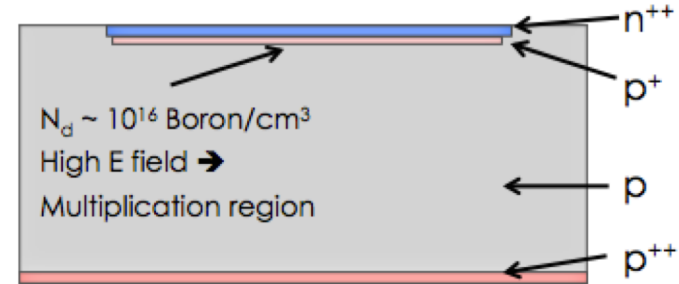
## **Irradiation causes 3 main effects:**

- Decrease of charge collection efficiency due to trapping  
→ Very small in thin sensor
- Increased leakage current, shot noise → back up slides
- Gain layer disappearance → following slides

# Gain layer de-activation

**Unfortunate fact:** irradiation de-activate p-doping removing Boron from the reticle

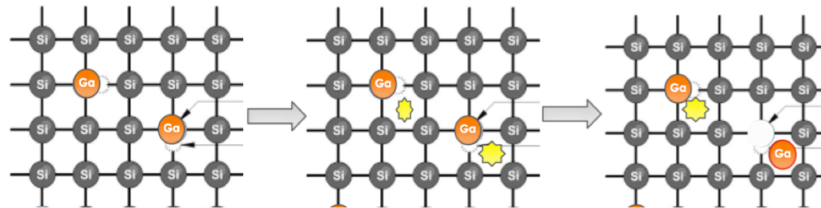
$$N(\phi) = N(0) * e^{-c\phi}$$



## Boron

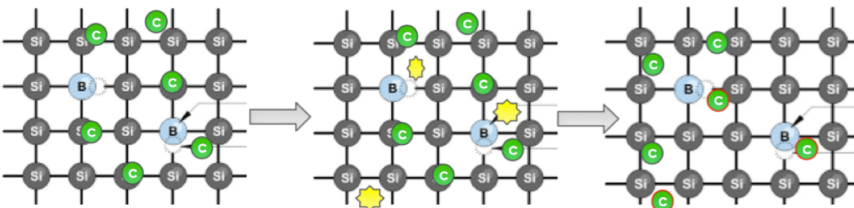
Radiation creates interstitial defects that inactivate the Boron:  $Si_i + B_s \rightarrow Si_s + B_i$

Two possible solutions: 1) use Gallium, 2) Add Carbon



## Gallium

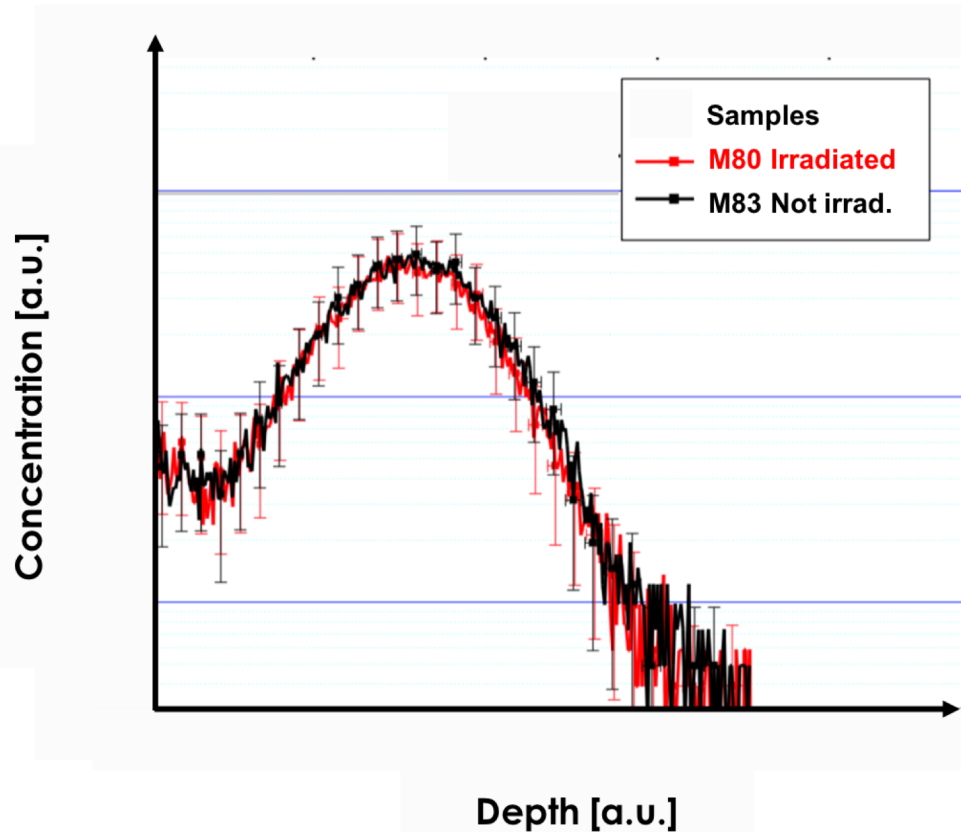
From literature, Gallium has a lower possibility to become interstitial



## Carbon

Interstitial defects filled with Carbon instead of with Boron and Gallium

# Is the Boron still there?

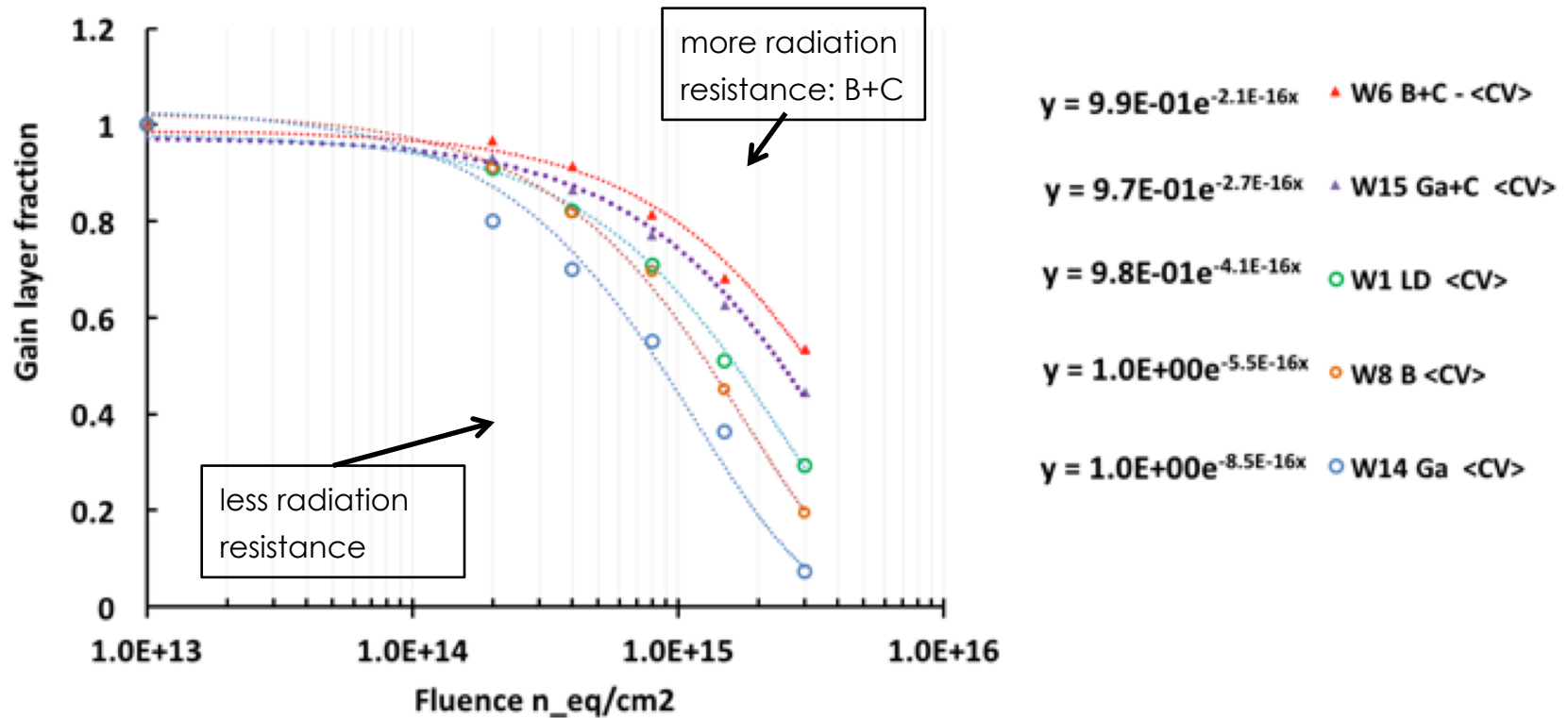


Yes, **the Boron is still there**, but it is not active any more...

**Instead of being “substitutional”** (i.e. in the place of a Silicon atom) **is “interstitial”** (i.e. In the middle of the lattice, not electrically active)



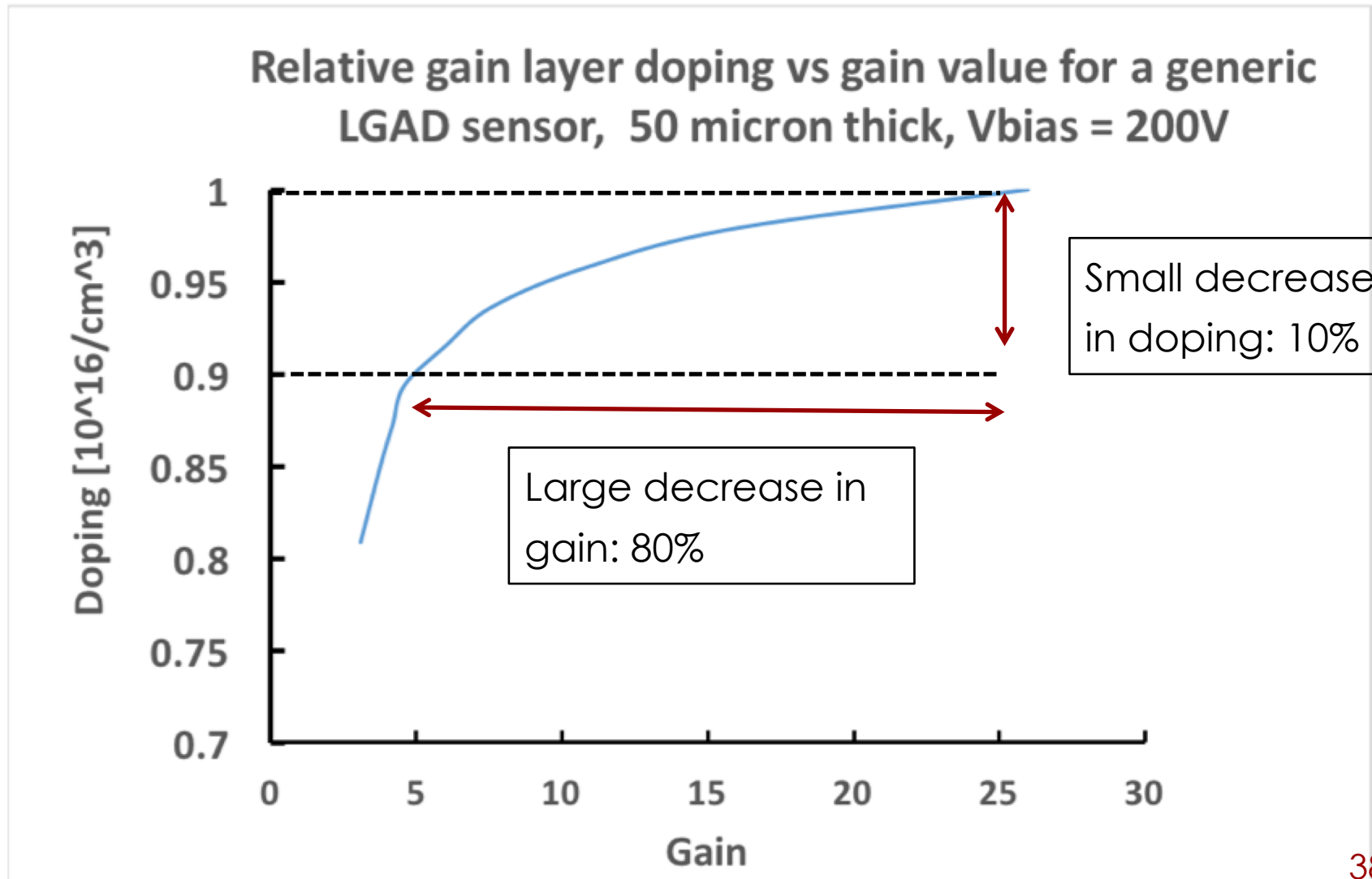
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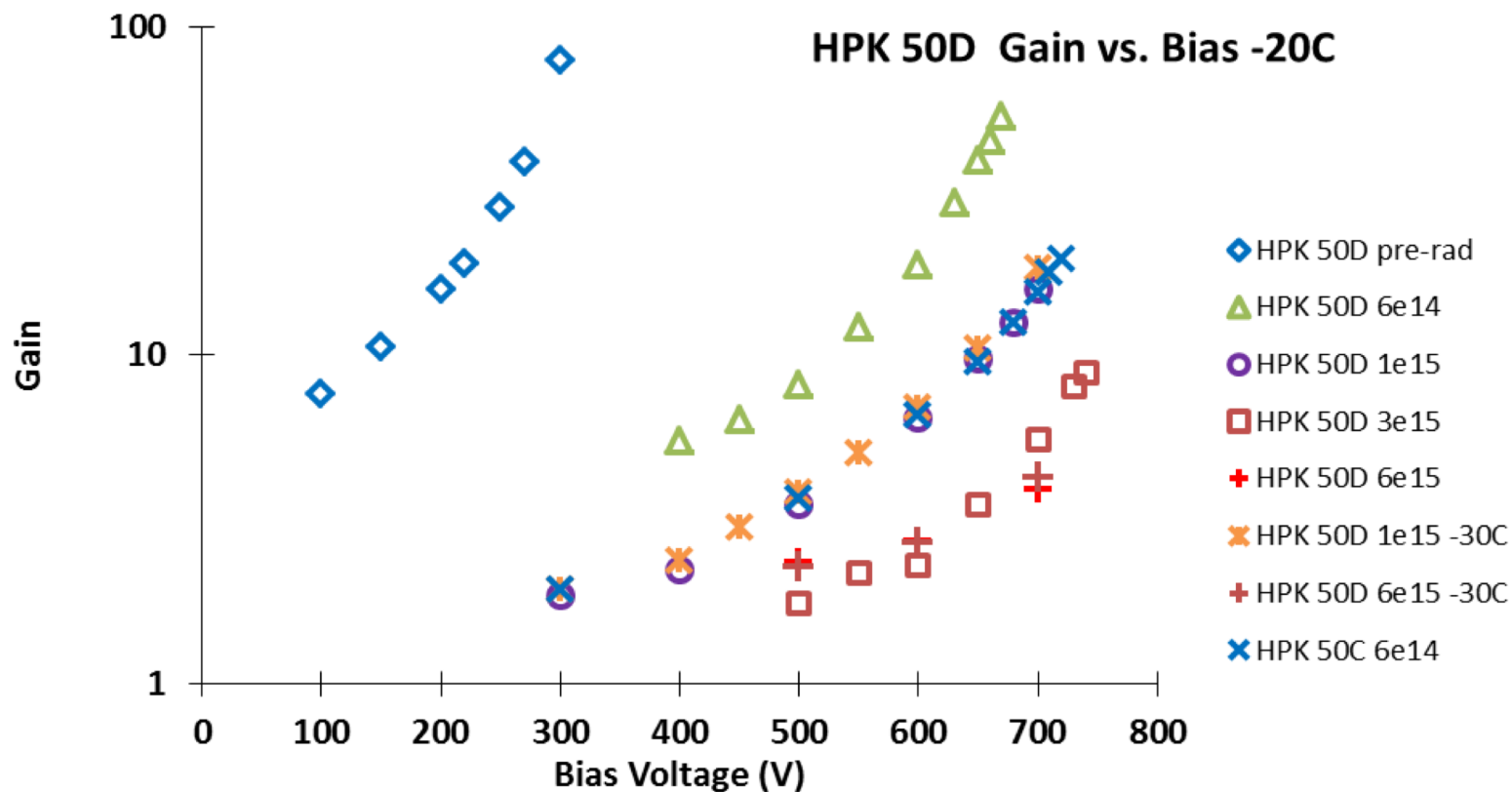
- 1) Gallium is actually is less rad-hard than Boron
- 2) Carbon addition works really well, increasing by a factor of 2 the radiation hardness

# Gain vs gain layer doping

Unfortunately, the gain is very sensitive to the doping level



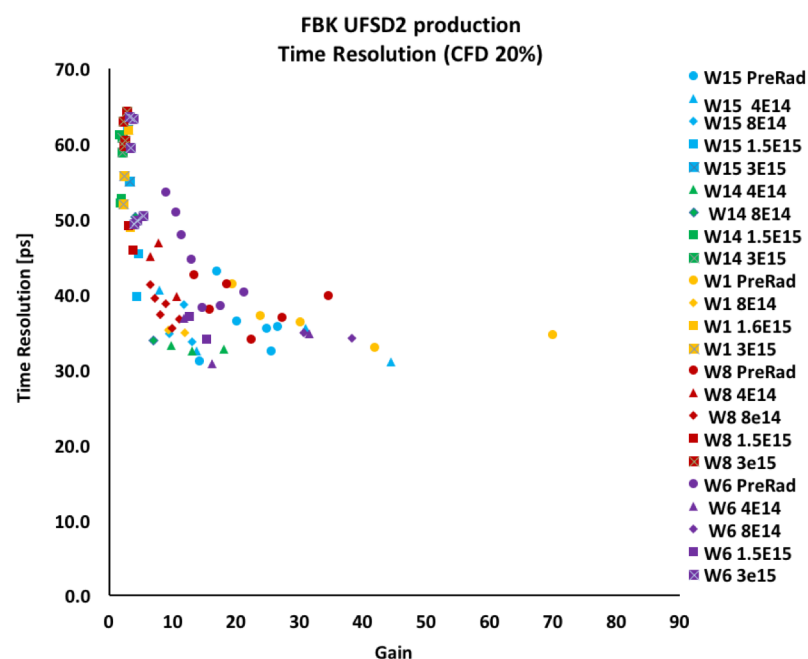
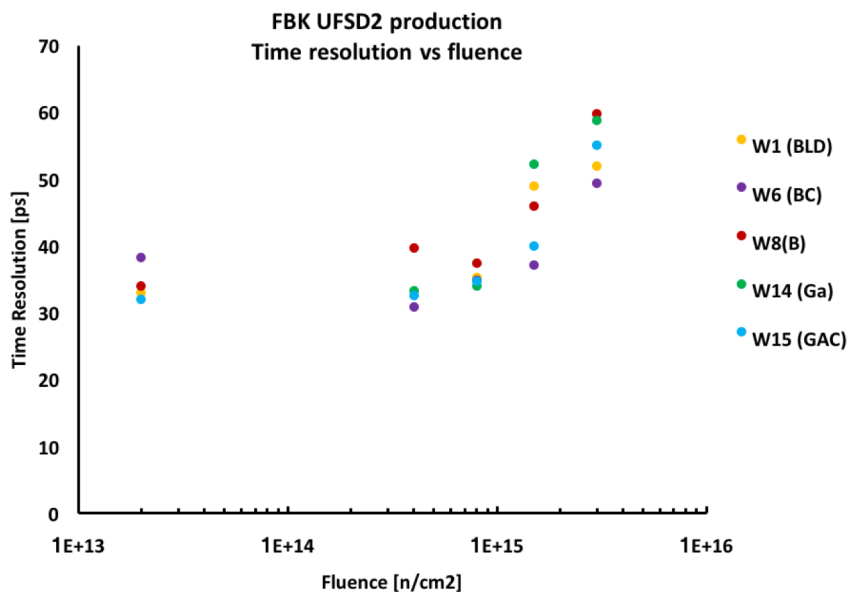
# Gain in irradiated sensors



the gain layer disappearance is compensated by external bias

# UFSD: Time resolution after irradiation

## FBK production of UFSD sensors: time resolution for different fluence



Very complex irradiation campaign, lot's of samples and fluences

### Achieved:

- Unchanged time resolution of ~ 35 ps, up to ~ 2E15 n/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Time resolution of 50 ps up to 3E15 n/cm<sup>2</sup>



# Why noise in LGAD does not degrade time resolution?

Time resolution in LGAD is determined by jitter and charge non uniformity:

$$\sigma_t^2 = \left( \frac{N}{dV/dt} \right)^2 + \sigma_{\text{Non Uniform Ionization}}^2$$

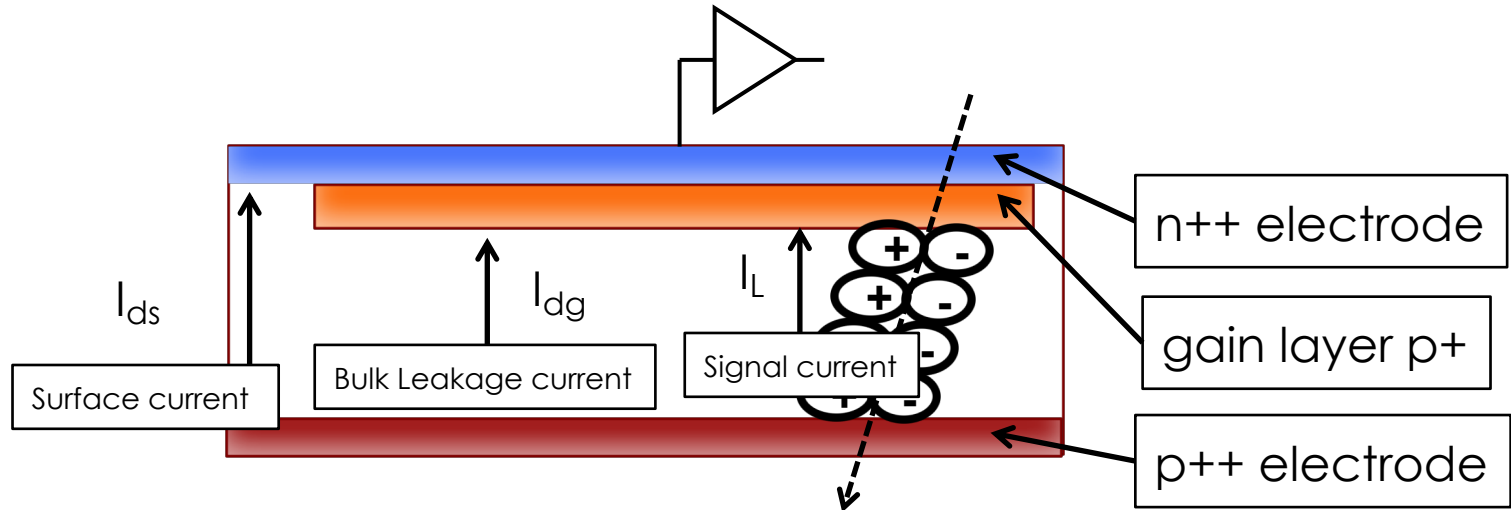
The jitter term contains electronic noise and Current noise:

$$\text{Jitter} = \frac{\sqrt{N_{el}^2 + N_{\text{Current Noise}}^2}}{dV/dt}$$

**Current noise:** noise due to the combination of

- High leakage current → Shot Noise
- Randomness of multiplication mechanism → Excess noise factor

# Current noise in LGAD



$$i_{Shot}^2 = 2eI_{Det} = 2e \left[ I_{Surface} + (I_{Bulk} + I_{Signal})M^2F \right]$$

$$F = Mk + \left( 2 - \frac{1}{M} \right) (1 - k)$$

$$F \sim M^x$$

k = e/h ionization rate

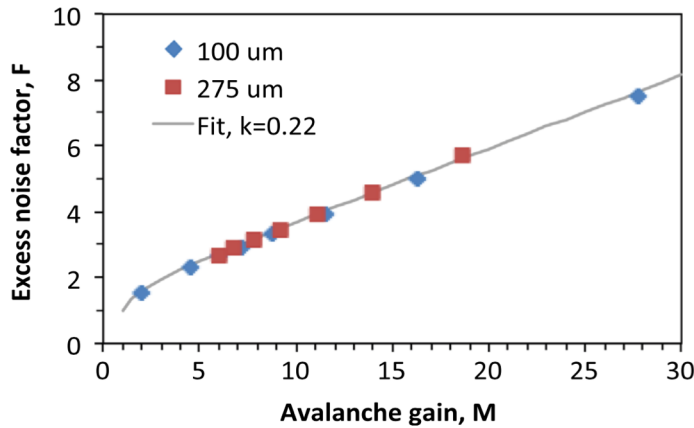
x = excess noise index

M = gain

Excess noise factor:  
Correction factor to the  
standard Shot noise,  
due to the noise of the  
multiplication mechanism

# The role of the excess noise factor

**Excess noise factor: noise of the multiplication process**



$$F = Mk + \left(2 - \frac{1}{M}\right)(1 - k)$$

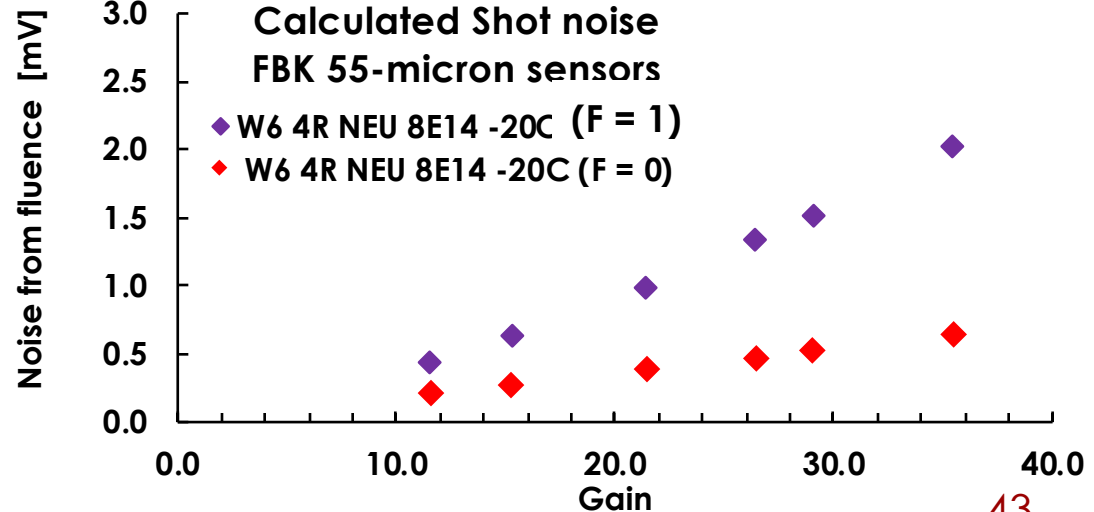
$$F \sim M^x$$

k = e/h ionization rate

x = excess noise index

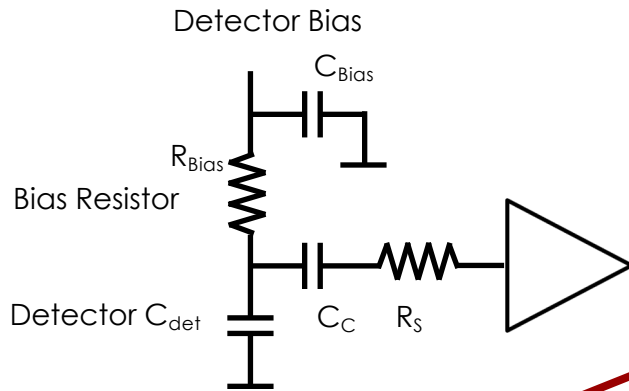
M = gain

**Current noise is actually dominated by the excess noise factor:** at gain = 20 the excess noise factor more than doubles the shot noise without it

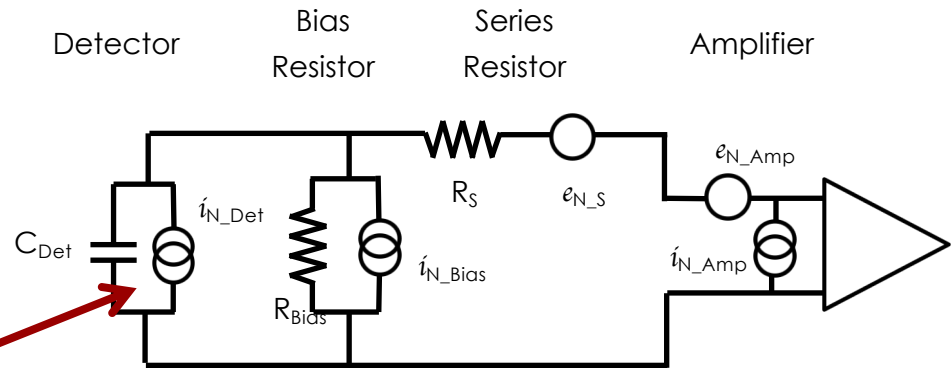


# Formal noise description

Real life



Noise Model



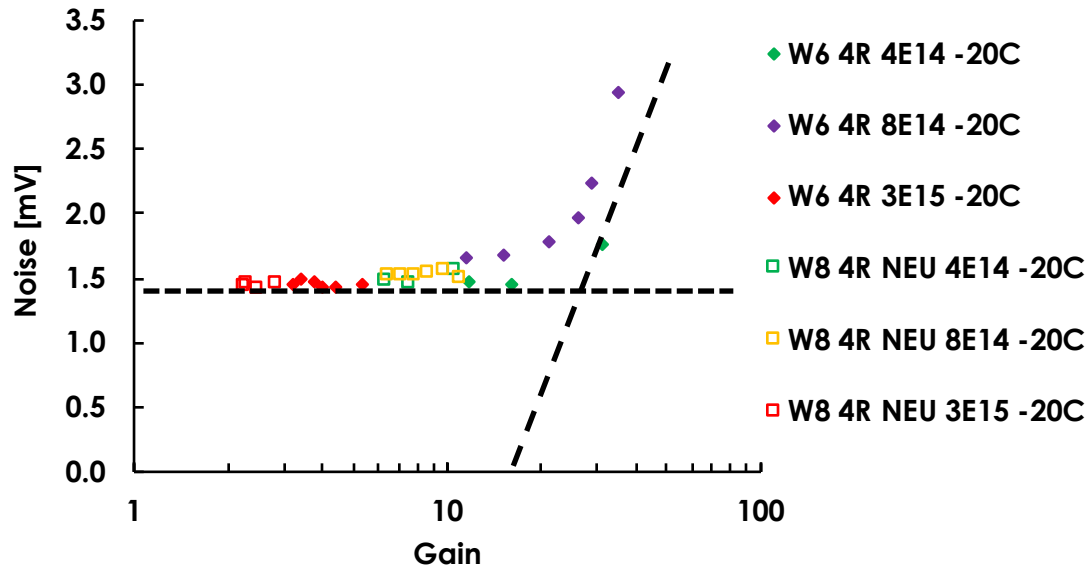
Only a part of this term, the detector current shot noise, depends on the gain

$$Q_n^2 = (2eI_{Det})A_i\tau + \left(\frac{4kT}{R_{Bias}} + i_{N\_Amp}^2\right)A_i\tau + \underbrace{(4k\tau R_s + e_{N\_Amp}^2)A_v}_{\frac{Q_{n0}^2}{\tau}} \frac{C_{Det}^2}{\tau} + A_{vf}A_f C_{Det}^2$$

Keeping only the most important terms and setting  $A_i = 1$

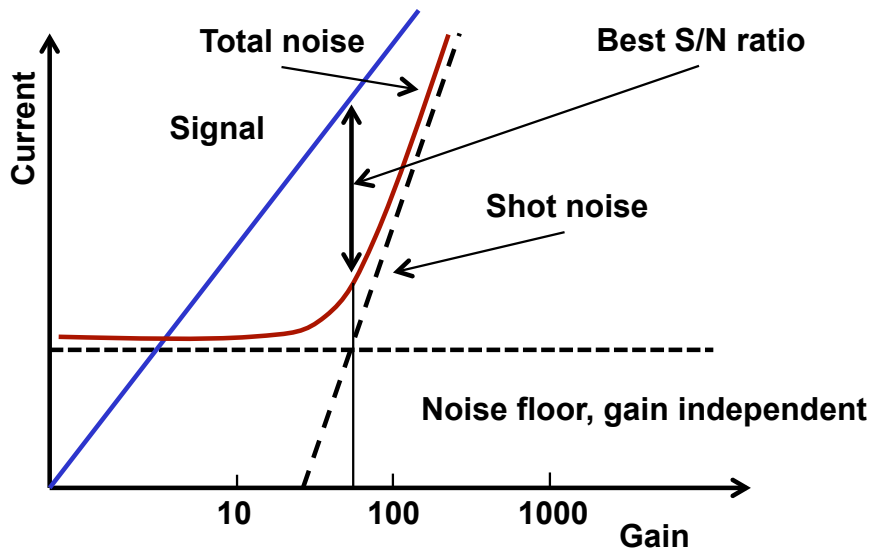
Let's explore the shot noise...

# Noise increase as a function of fluence and gain

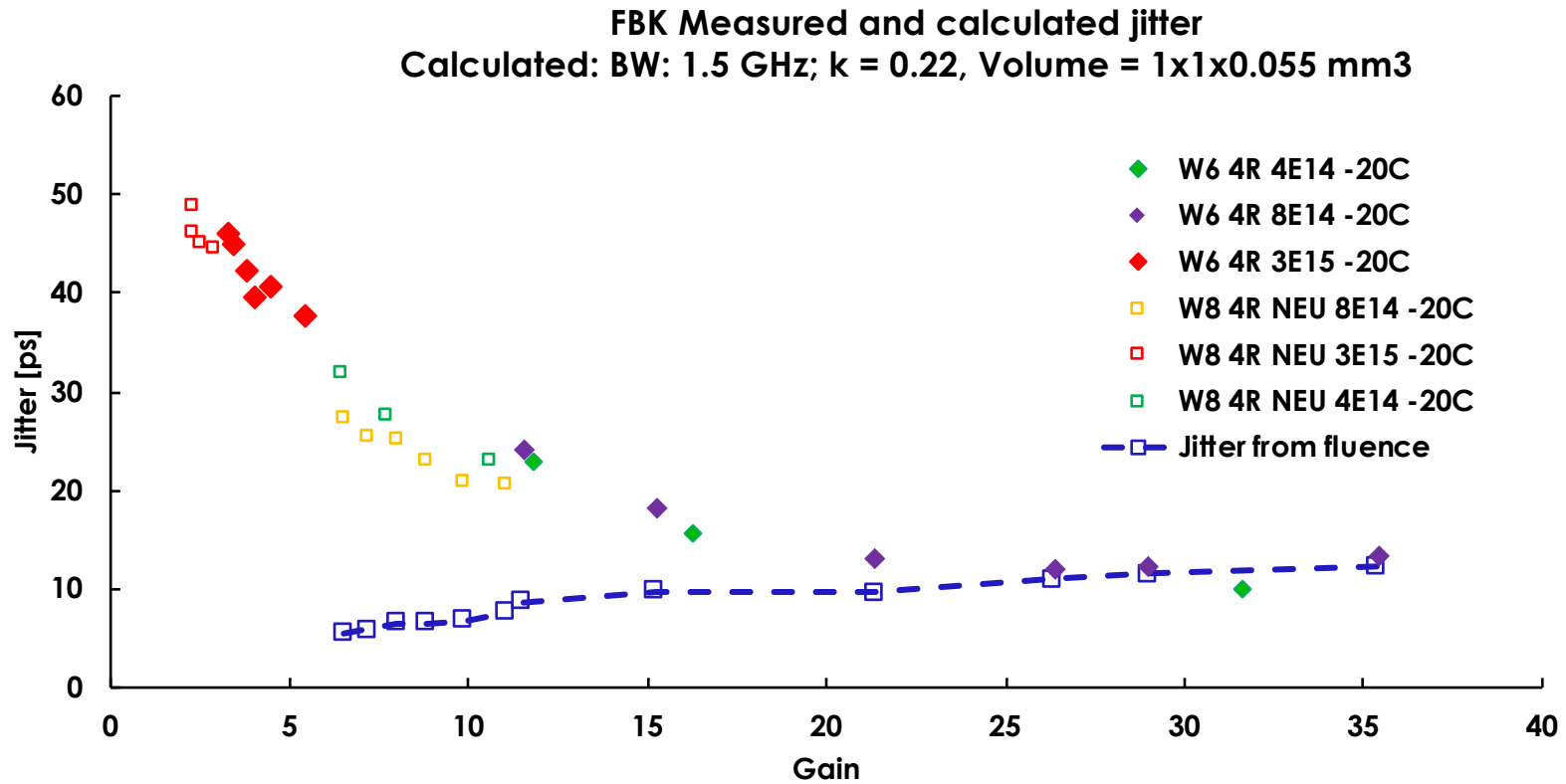


**Data and model look similar.**

**Goal: the noise from Silicon current should stay below that of the electronics**



# Current noise and Jitter

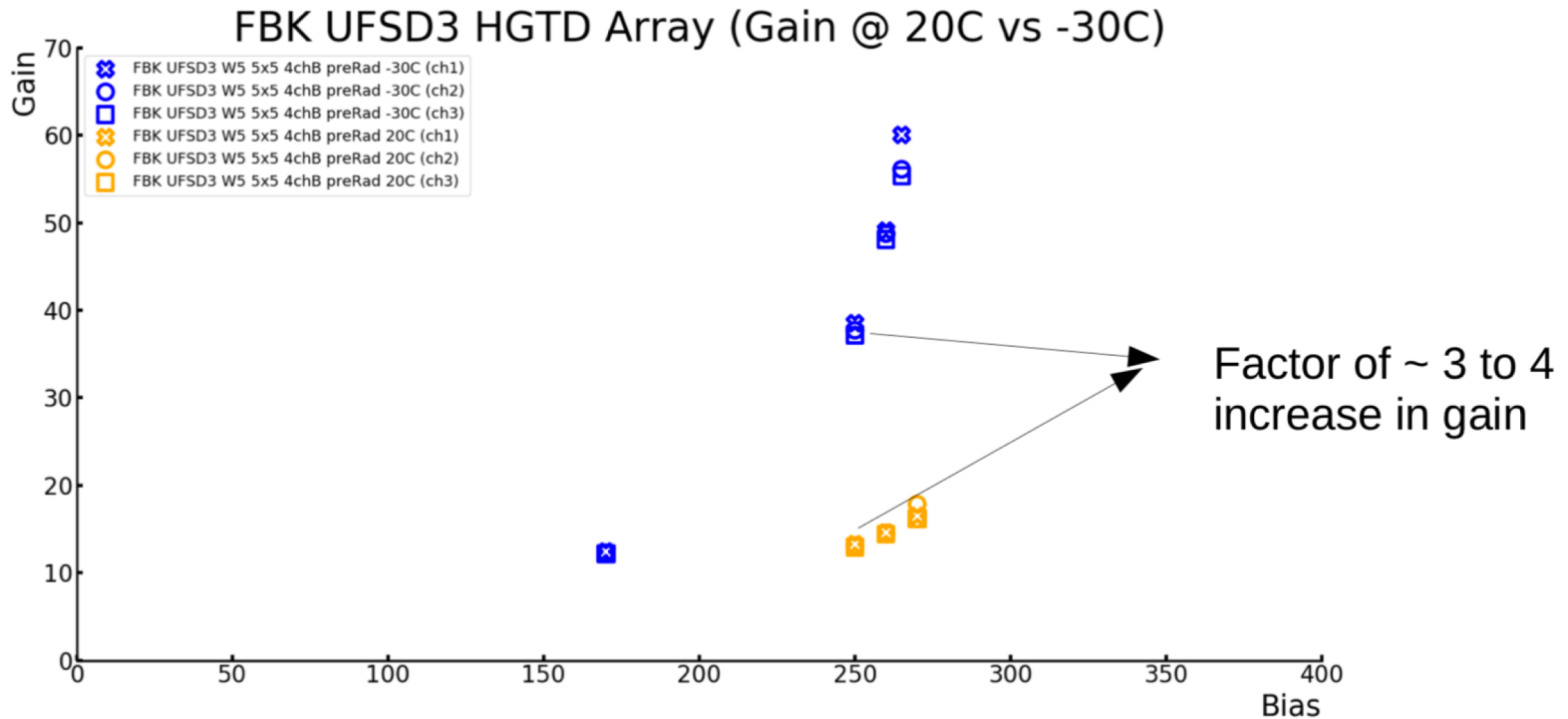


The Jitter, instead of decreasing, is becoming constant due to the contribution of the current noise.

# Effect of Temperature: excellent

Trackers normally are kept at low temperature,  $\sim -30$  C

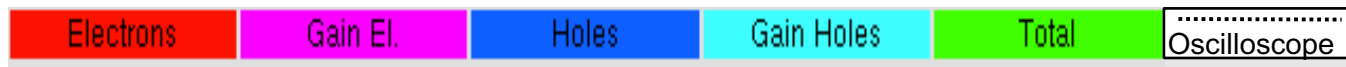
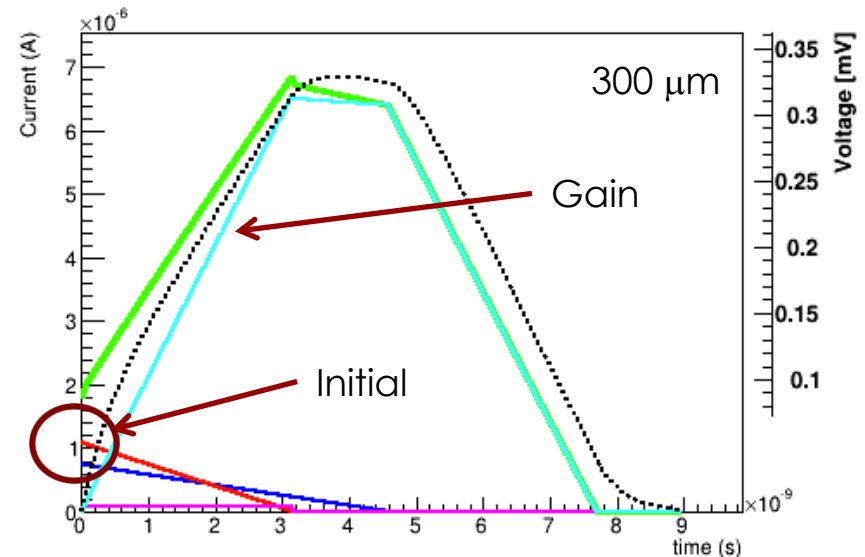
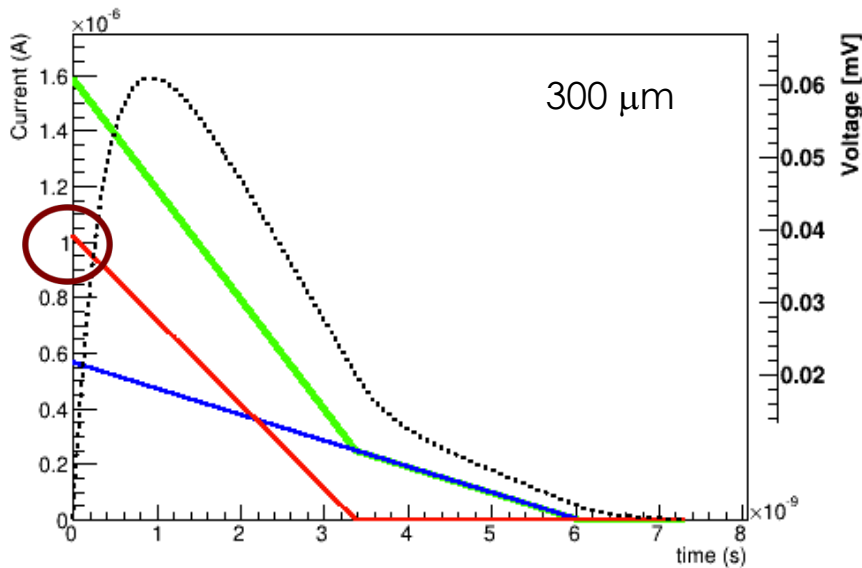
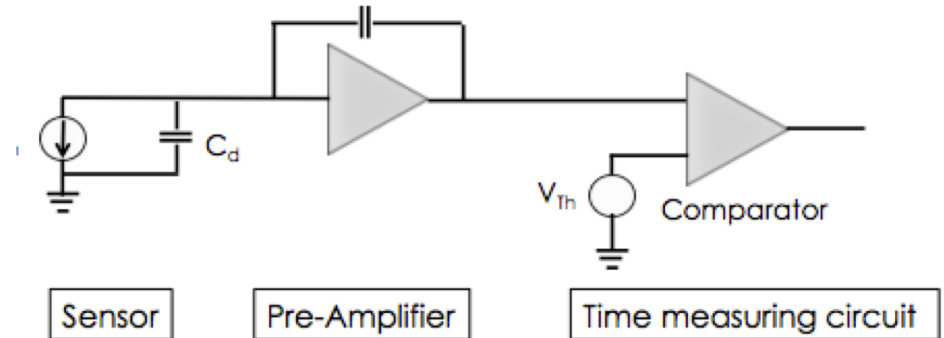
- More gain due to longer mean path between collisions
- Less noise, the leakage current is lower (a factor of 2 every 7 C)



# Electronics

To fully exploit UFSDs, dedicated electronics needs to be designed.

**The signal from UFSDs is different from that of traditional sensors**



Simulated Weightfield2

**Pads with no gain**

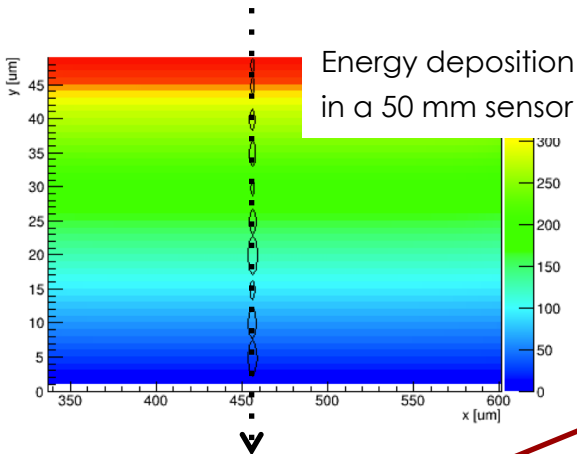
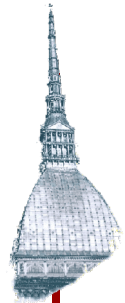
Charges generated uniquely by the incident particle

**Pads with gain**

Current due to gain holes creates a longer and higher signal

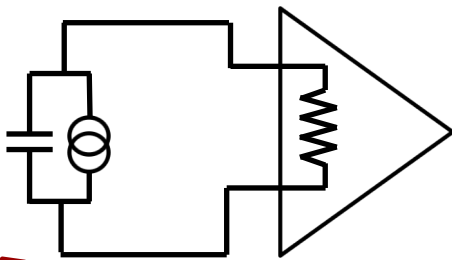


# Electronics: What is the best pre-amp choice?

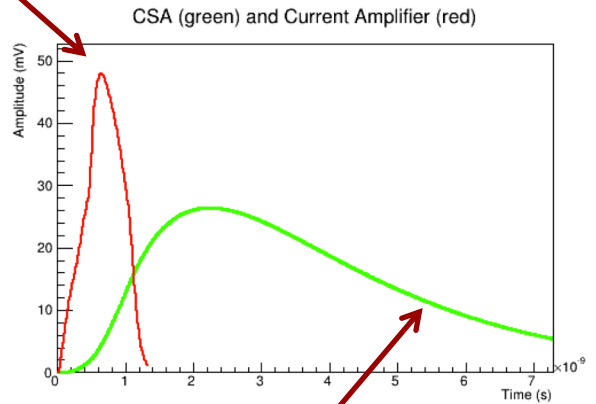


Energy deposition in a 50 mm sensor

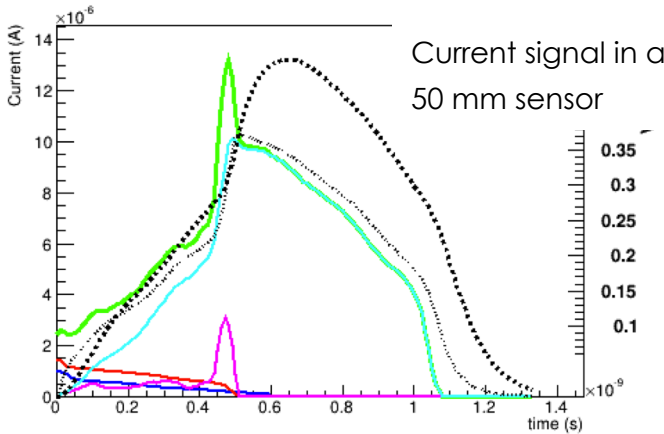
## Current Amplifier



- Fast slew rate
- Higher noise
- Sensitive to Landau bumps

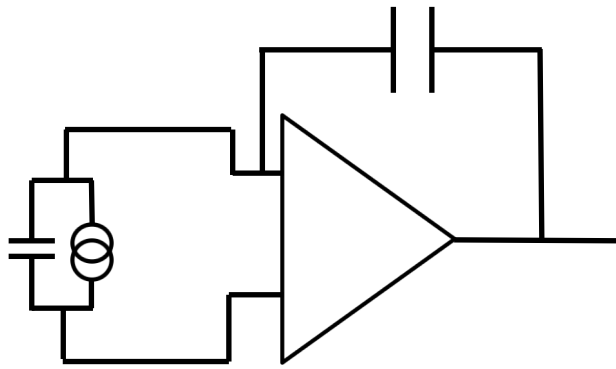


CSA (green) and Current Amplifier (red)



Current signal in a 50 mm sensor

## Charge Sensitive Amplifier



- Slower slew rate
- Quieter
- Integration helps the signal smoothing

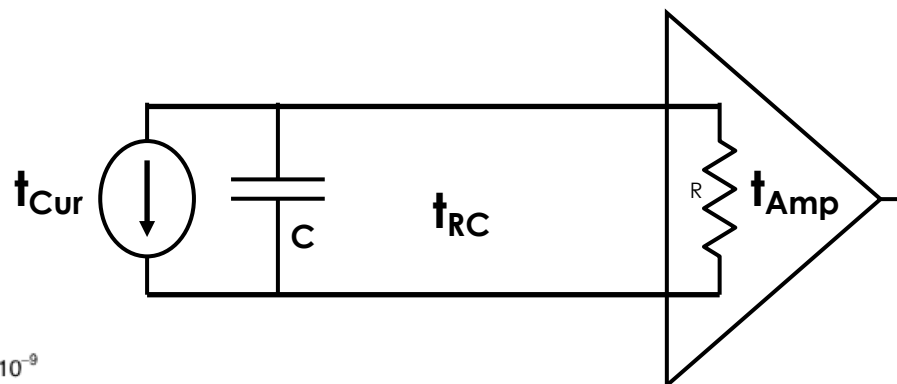
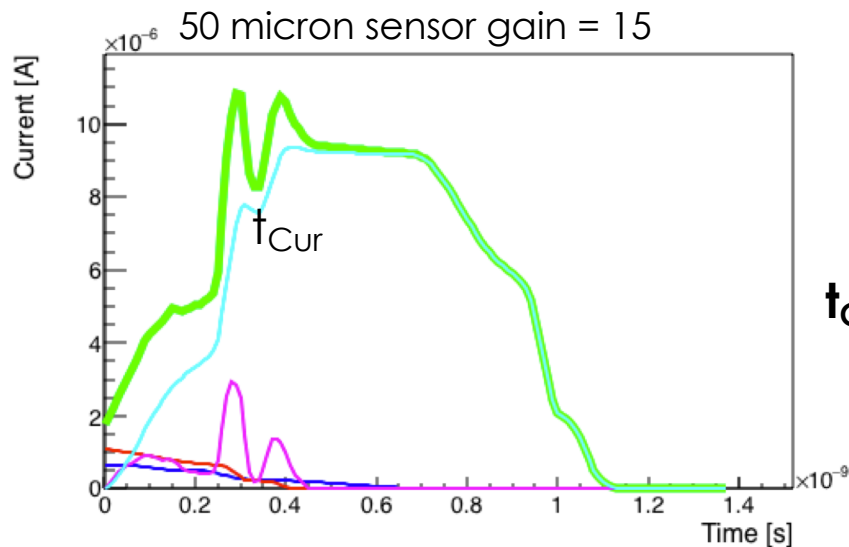
# The players: signal, noise and slope

Signal  $dV/dt$

Landau Noise

Shot Noise

Electronic Noise



Electrons    Gain El.    Holes    Gain Holes    Total

The current rise time ( $t_{Cur}$ )

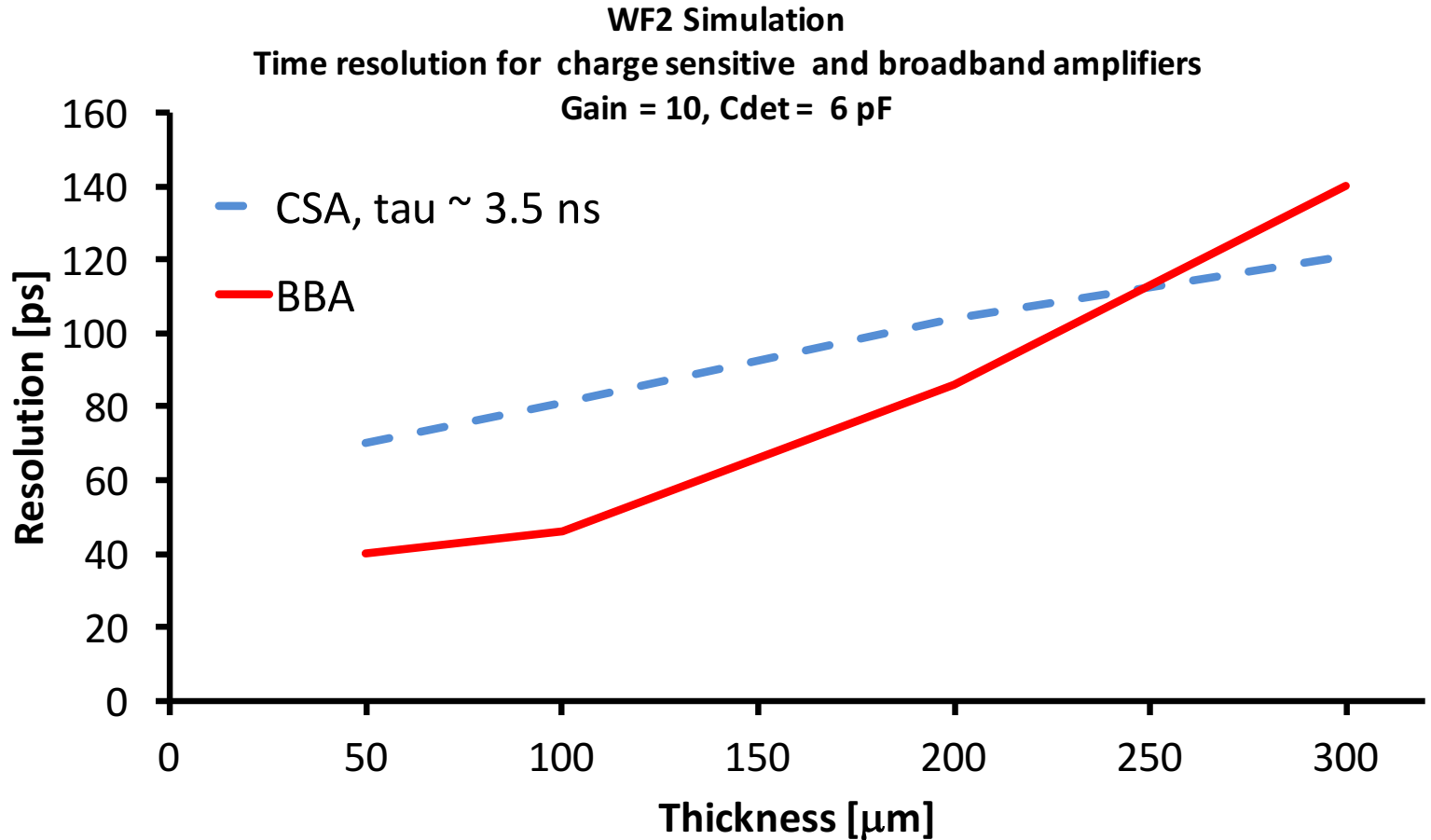
The RC circuit ( $t_{RC}$ )

Amplifier rise time ( $t_{Amp}$ )

There are 3 quantities determining the output rise time after the amplifier:

1. The signal rise time ( $t_{Cur}$ )
2. The RC circuit formed by the detector capacitance and the amplifier input impedance ( $t_{RC}$ )
3. The amplifier rise time ( $t_{Amp}$ )

# Integrator or current amplifier?



- integrators work best with signals that are of the same length of their integration time
- Current amplifiers work best with very fast signals

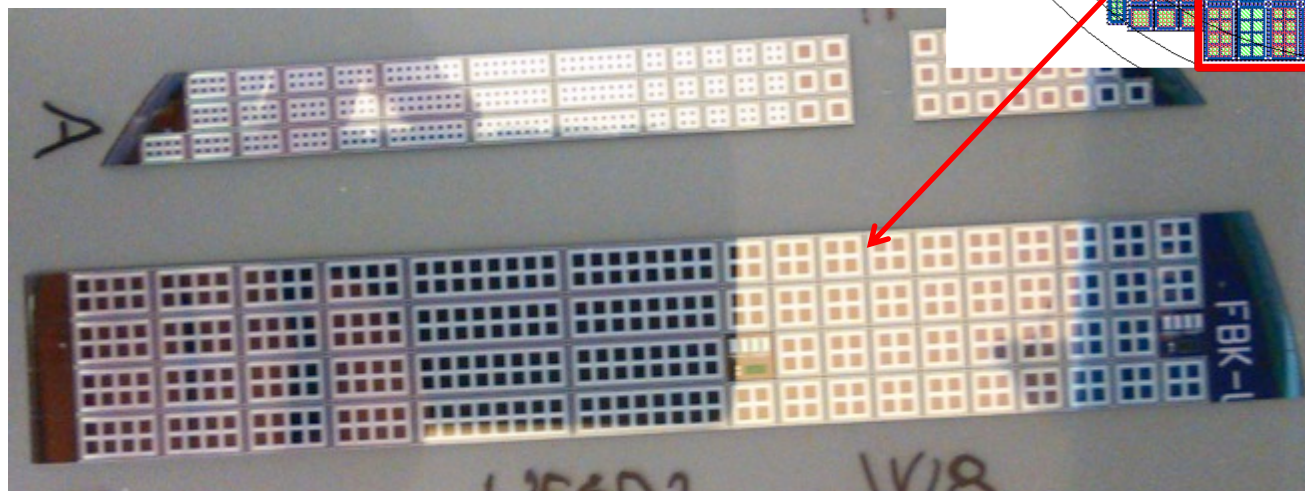
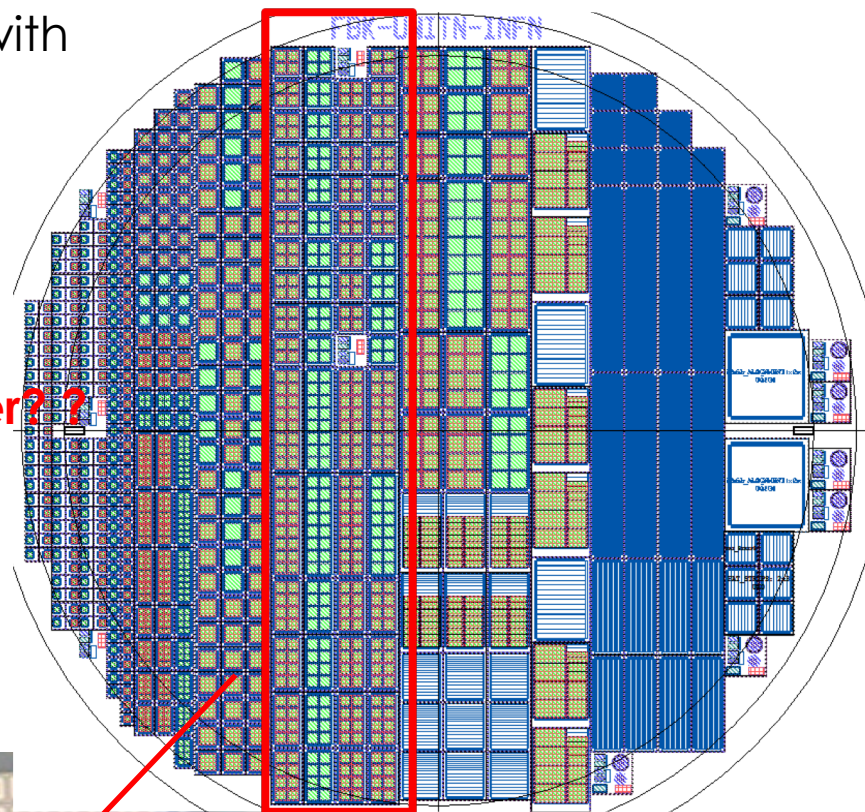
# From one pad to a Timing Layer

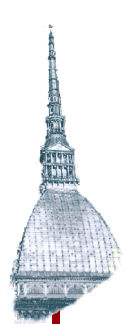
We have produced thousands of UFSDs, with many shapes, thicknesses, gains etc..

We know very well how a single pads and small array work, however....

**Are we able to produce a full large tracker? ?**

- **Uniformity**
- **Fill factor**



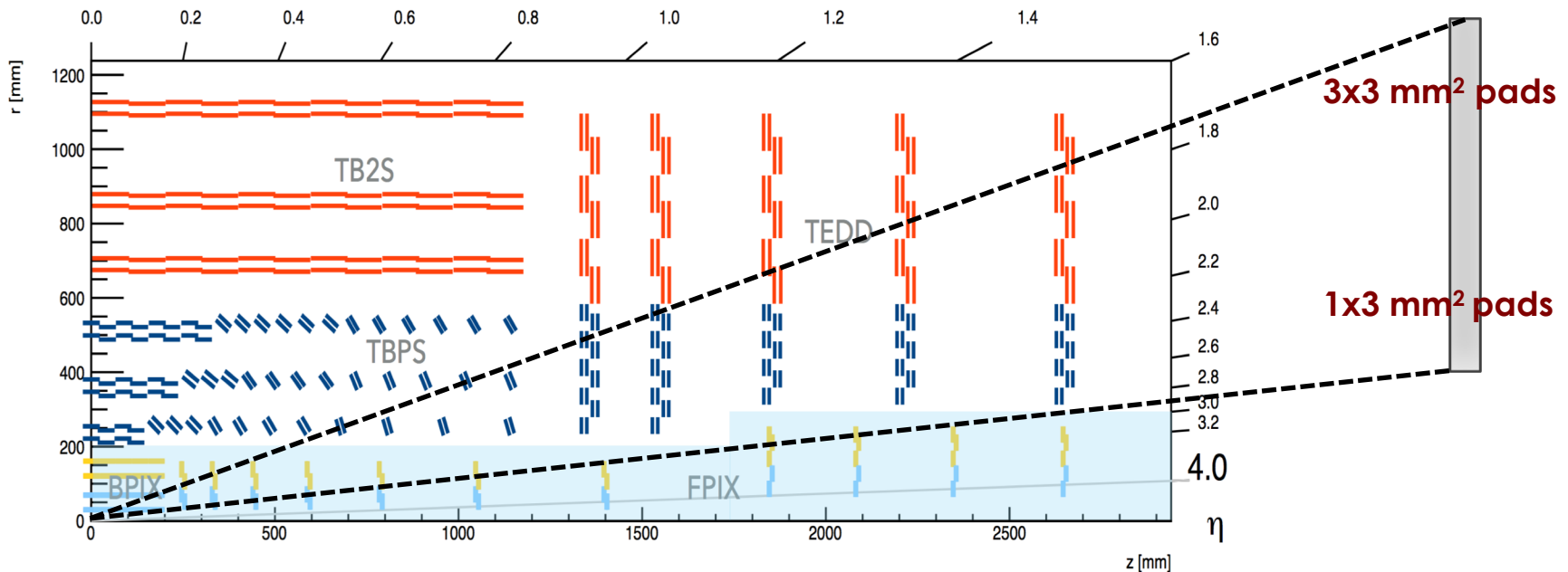


# And now we need to build the detector..

CMS and ATLAS have now in their upgrade proposal the combined construction of  $\sim 20 \text{ m}^2$  of UFSD sensors.

## Main challenges:

- Sensor: moving from one pad to large area
- Electronics: need to design an appropriate chip



**And: backend electronics, mechanics, cooling, HV & LV distribution,  
High precision clock, data transmission**

# ATLAS-CMS path to construction

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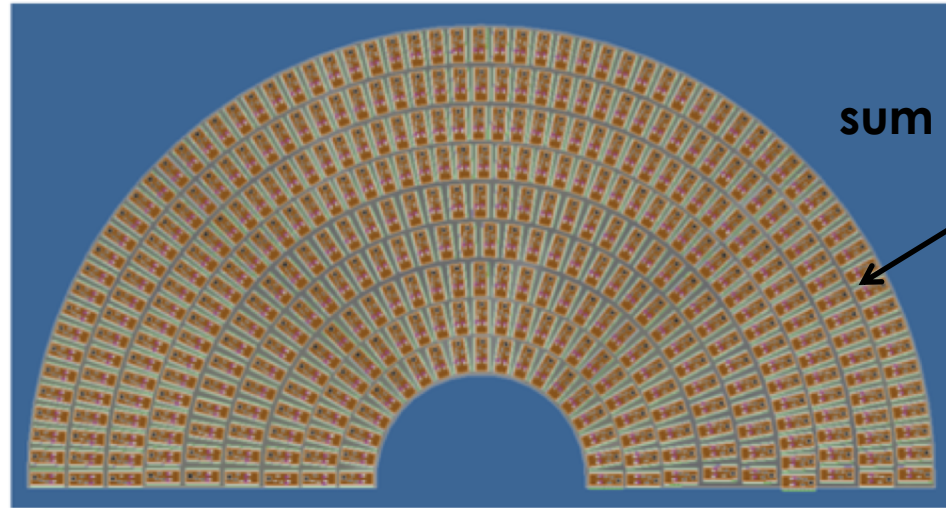
## Key topics to be addressed:

1. **Radiation hardness:** time resolution and operating conditions
  - Spoiler: the situation looks reasonable
2. **Highest possible fill factor:** dead area between pads
3. **Multi pad sensors:** pad isolation, breakdown voltage
4. **Large area:** yield, cost
5. **~ 30 ps time resolution at the end of HL\_LHC lifetime**
  - 35-micron thick option
    - Looks reasonable, it is a “read-out chip” problem

# ETL: Endcap Timing Layer

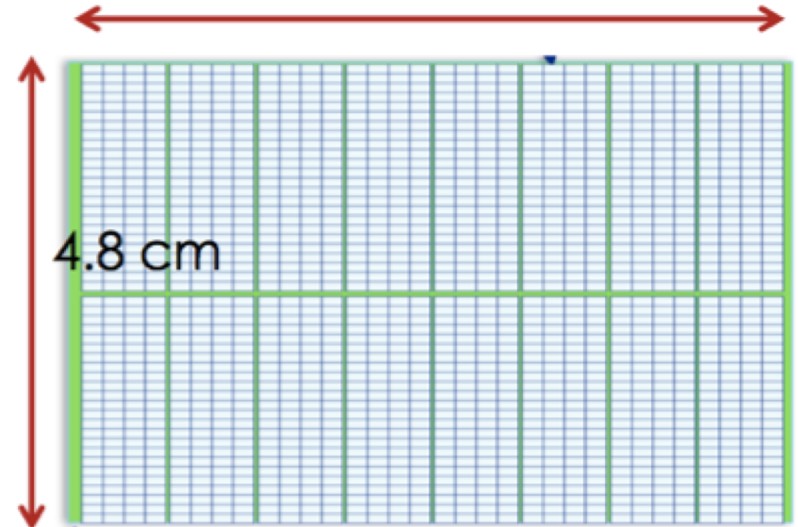
The chosen sensors for ETL are UFSD

one layer  
per side,  
each made of  
two disks



sum of two half disk

9.6 cm



~ 1800 sensors:

- $4.8 \times 9.6 \text{ cm}^2$  --- Large Sensors
- Thickness of active area: 40-50 microns
- Pad size:  $1 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$  (1536 pads)

# CMS requests for ETL sensors

## The sensor should be large:

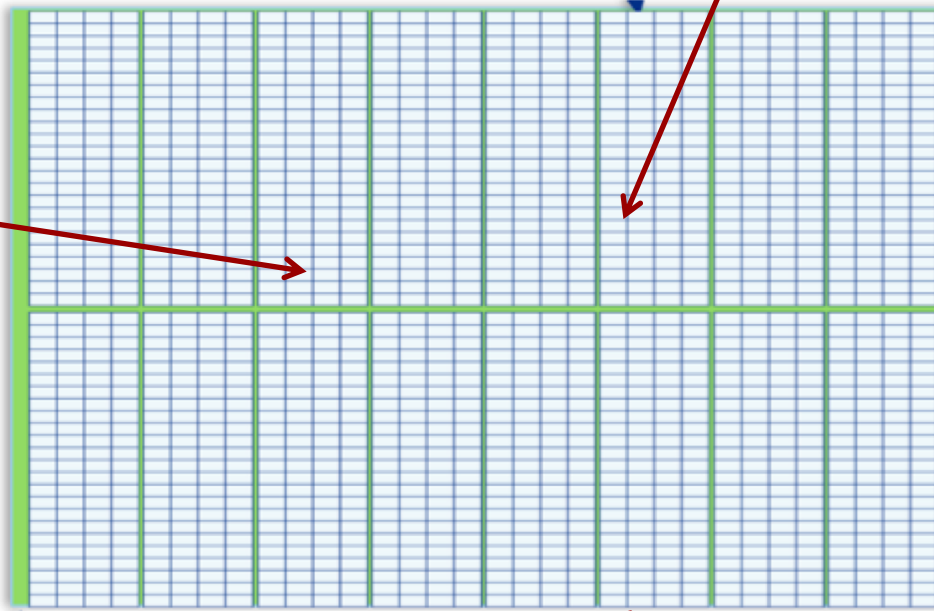
- 1) One sensor,  $5 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ . This is difficult, implies an almost "defect free" process
- 2) CMS will consider smaller sensors

## Segmented with high fill factor:

- The distance between pads should be very small.
- 1)  $> 95 \%$  fill factor

## The gain should be uniform:

- 1) No more than  $\sim 20\%$  gain variation
- 2) Gain  $\sim 20$  at  $< 20 \text{ V}$  away from breakdown



## Radiation hard:

- 1) Unchanged resolution ( $\sim 30 \text{ ps}$ ) up to  $5e14 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ .
- 2) Less than a factor of 2 degradation up to  $10e14 \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$

## Hold high voltage after irradiation:

- 1) Need to have good HV capability after irradiation ( $\sim 600 - 700 \text{ V}$ ),

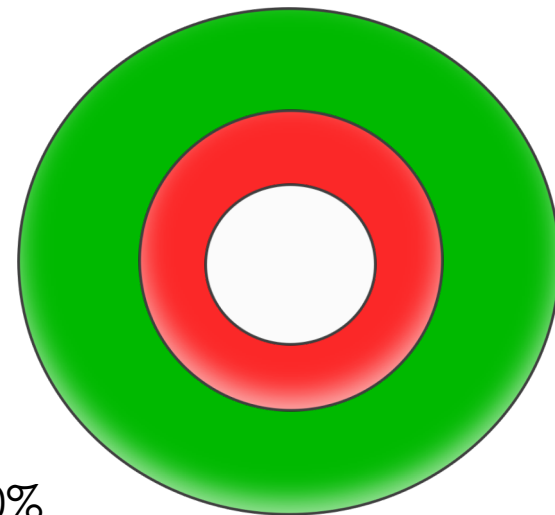


# SENSORS: state of the art

**UFSD: 35 ps resolution** for fluences up to **5 - 6e14 neq/cm<sup>2</sup>**

**State-of-the-art sensors guarantee 80% of the ETL coverage**

Low radiation : radius 55 – 110 cm    ~2.8 m<sup>2</sup> , ~80%  
High radiation: radius 25 – 55 cm    ~0.7 m<sup>2</sup>, ~20%

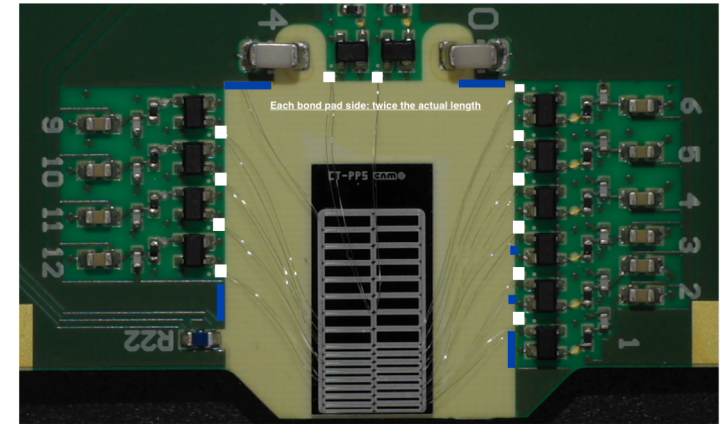


There are several options to cover the additional 20%

- R&D will demonstrate new solutions → next 18 months
- Allow degradation of resolution (~ 60 ps after 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Have two layers

# ASIC for Timing application

It is **difficult** to develop a **read-out board** that reads a few pads with good timing precision

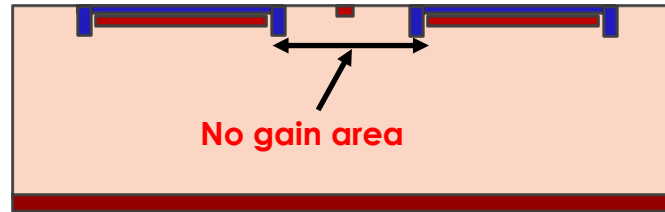


It is **much more difficult** to develop **a chip** to read  $\sim 100$  channels  
Very difficult mixed environments, precise analog with digital part  
And:

- keep the power consumption low:
  - ALTIROC chip for the ATLAS timing layer: 2.5 mW/mm<sup>2</sup>
  - Only 0.5 mA for the front end ( $< 1$  mW), almost impossible
  - If used in CMS (sensors  $\sim 8$  m<sup>2</sup> per side)  $\rightarrow$  20 kW !! Very large
- The noise scales as  $C_{\text{Detector}}/Q_{\text{signal}}$ , need to keep the pads small

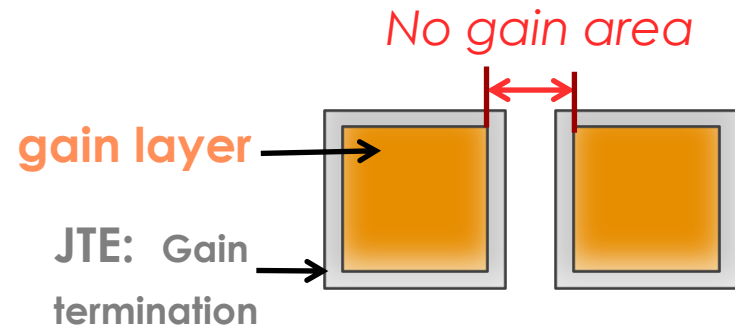
# Fill factor

The fill factor is mainly determined by the inactive gap between sensors.



Current measured gap size:

- ~ 70 micron for CNM
- ~ 100 micron for HPK
- ~ 70 micron for FBK



**This gap affects directly the detector acceptance as we have only one layer:** a 70 micron gap corresponds to a 91% fill factor

**Goal: 30 micron gap = 96% fill factor**

Currently under study, looks possible...

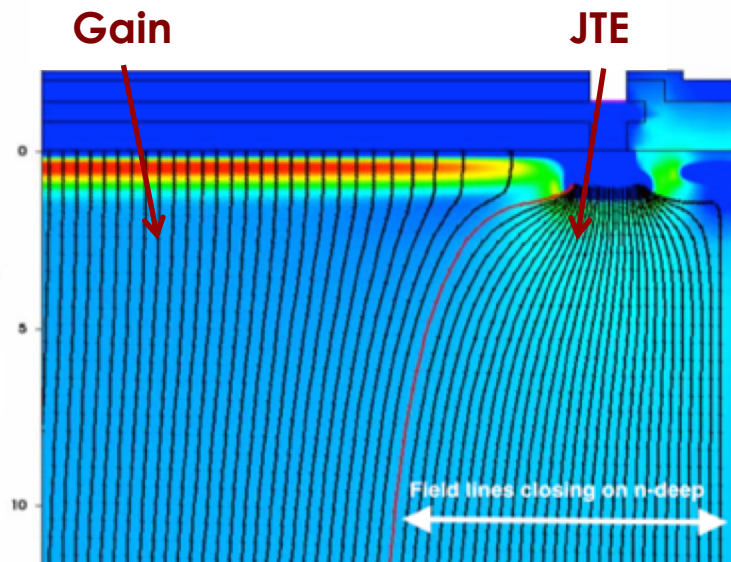
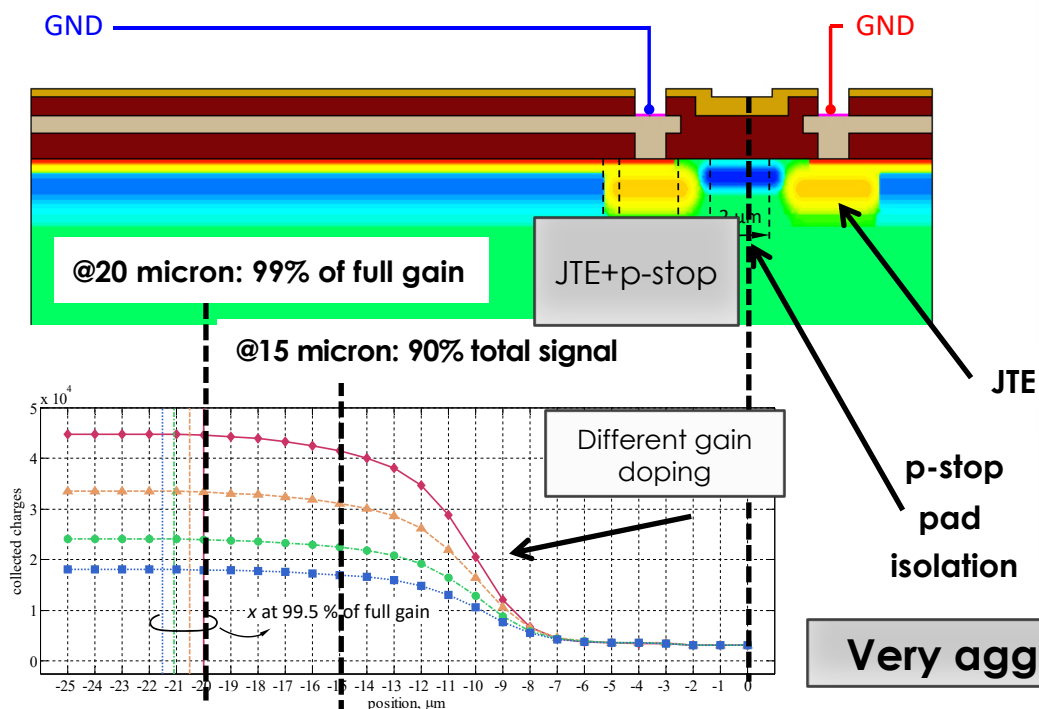
# Fill factor: optimization of current design

The gap is due to **two components**:

- 1) Adjacent gain layers need to be isolated (**JTE & p-stop**)
- 2) **Bending of the E field lines** in the region around the JTE area

Both under optimization Different junction termination/p-stop design

➤ **CMS Goal: 30 micron gap = 96% fill factor**

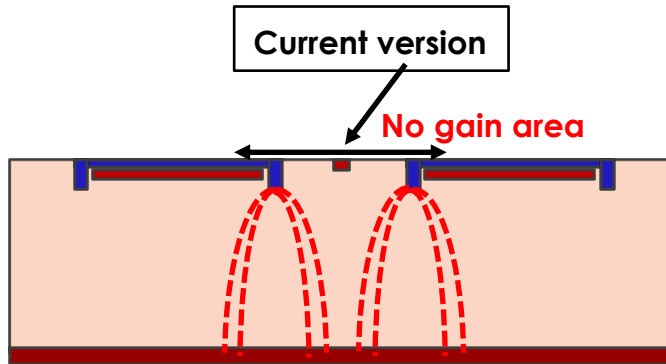


**Very aggressive design: <10 micron per side**

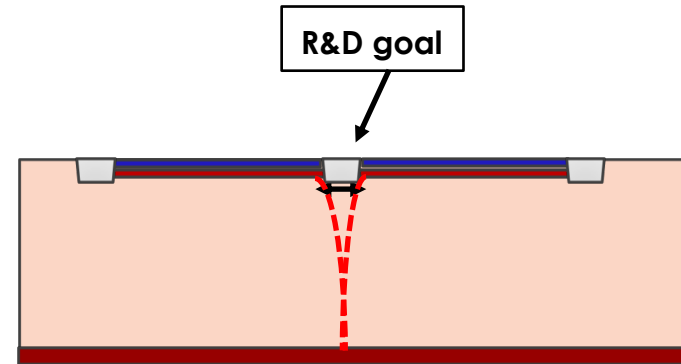
# Fill factor solution 1: trenches

**Trenches** (the same technique used in SiPM):

- No pstop,
- No JTE → no extra electrode bending the field lines



JTE + p-stop design



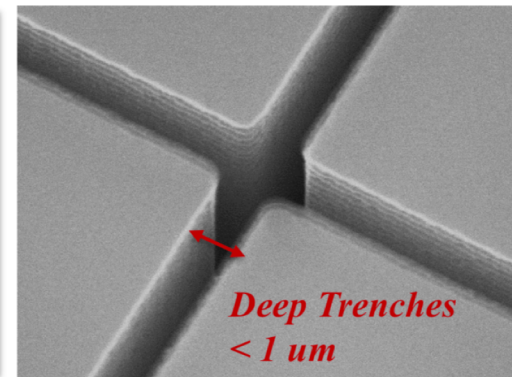
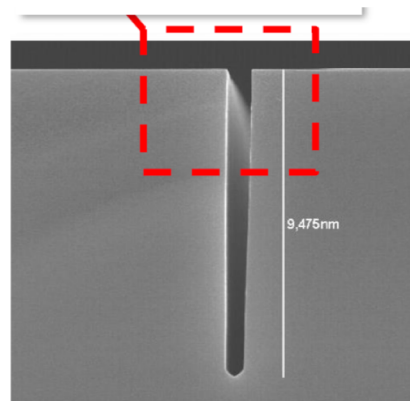
Trench design

## Trench isolation technology

- Typical trench width < 1  $\mu\text{m}$
- Max Aspect ratio: 1:20
- Trench filling with:  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$ , PolySi

CMM

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# Carbon tuning: is more Carbon better?

We have 2 experimental measurements:

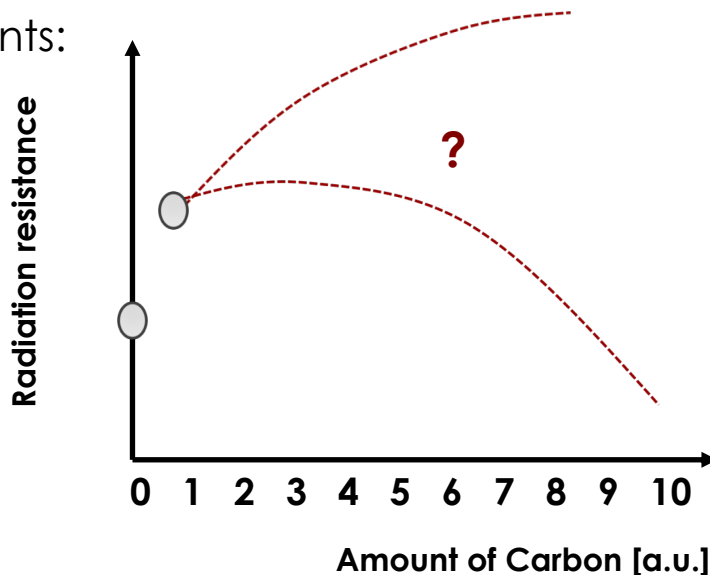
- No carbon
- 1 unit of C → 2 x better

**We don't know what is the best carbon density:**

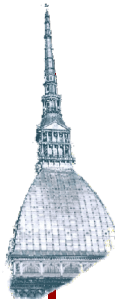
In the UFSD3 FBK production we will explore 3 additional carbon levels to map the phase space

→ **Delivered: August 2018**

→ **Preliminary answers by end of 2018**

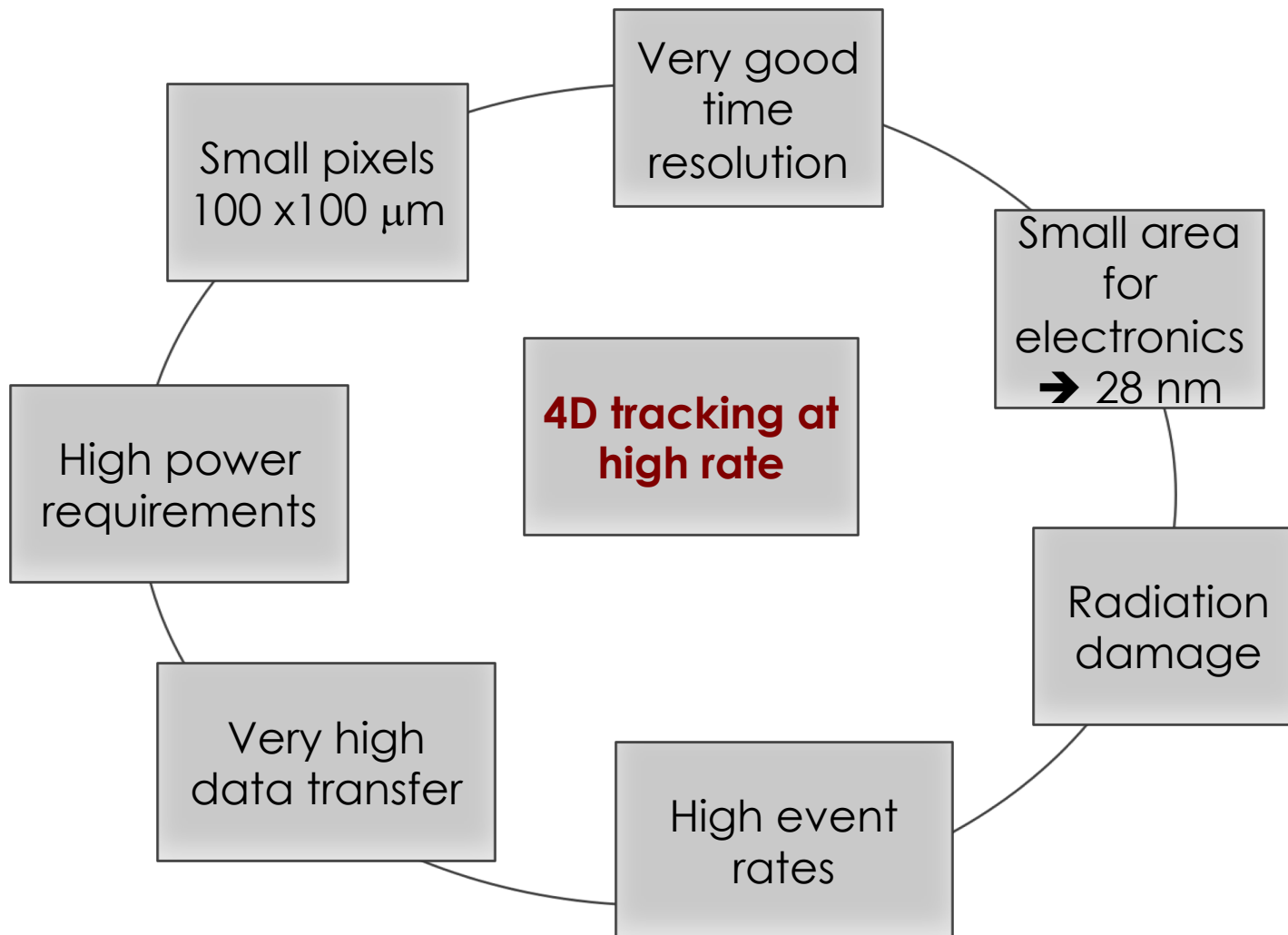


Wafer #	UFSD2	Dose Pgain	Carbon
1	W1	1.00	
2	W1-Epi	0.98	
3		0.98	A
4	Epi	0.98	A
5		1.00	A
6		0.98	B
7		1.00	B
8		1.00	B
9		1.00	C
10		1.02	C
11		1.02	D



# From a Timing Layer to a 5D tracker

Imagine tracking with ~ 1000-2000 tracks @ 40 MHz crossing  
This situation is the pinnacle of complications..



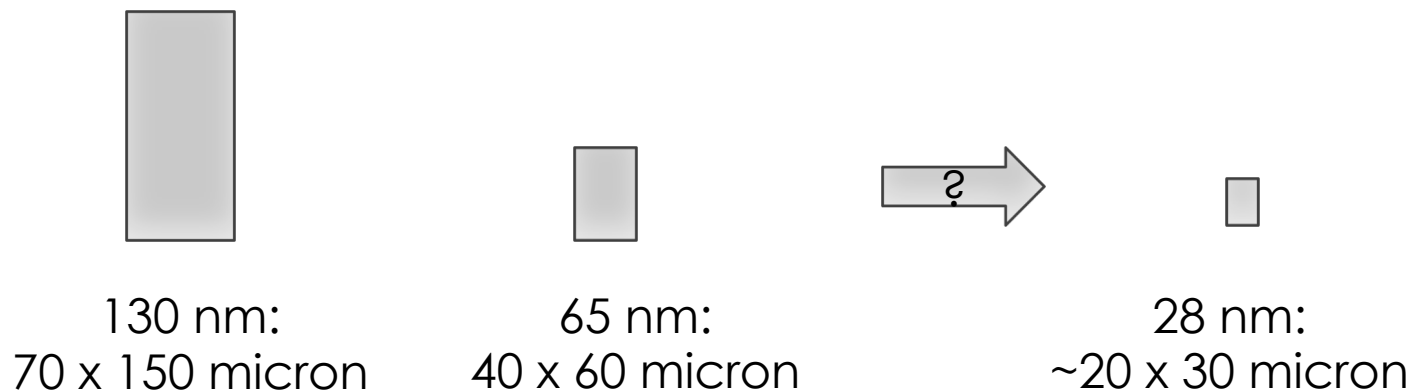
# 5D tracking: sensors and electronics

Let's consider a normal size pixel: 100 x 100 micron

Can we fit the electronics?

- the preamplifier does not scale with the technological node,
- memory and TDC do.

## Example: TDC evolution



**5D tracking requires either 65nm or 28nm electronics**





# 5D tracking: read-out and algorithms

**Power is nothing without control**

Let's suppose we have the sensors and the read-out chip:

- our job might be over
- lot's of other people need to work hard...

Taking advantage of 5D tracking requires a very complex backend:

Very fast data transfer

Real-time tracking requires the development of specific 4D tracking algorithms.

- Sometimes called “retina”, being pursued by several groups.

# Alternatives Silicon Sensors for timing

- 3D sensors for timing
- Resistive Silicon Detectors
- Monolithic timing sensors

# 3D sensors for timing applications

3D sensors enjoy good performance even at fluences  $\phi \sim 10^{16}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>

Can they be used in 4D-tracking?

Can diamond 3D work?

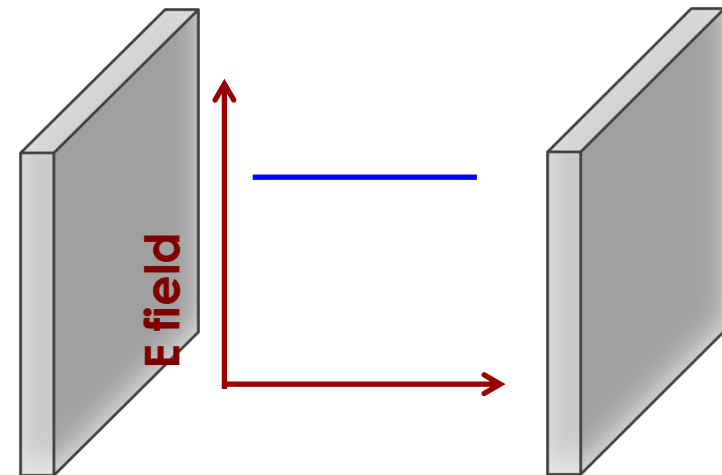
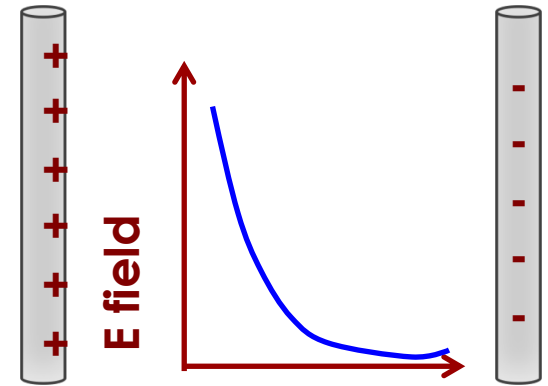
In their “column” geometry, they cannot, the Efield is not uniform enough

However, using trenches gives a parallel plate geometry, and a weighting field  $\sim 1/d$

→ Insensitive to non-uniform charge deposition **GOOD!**

Challenges:

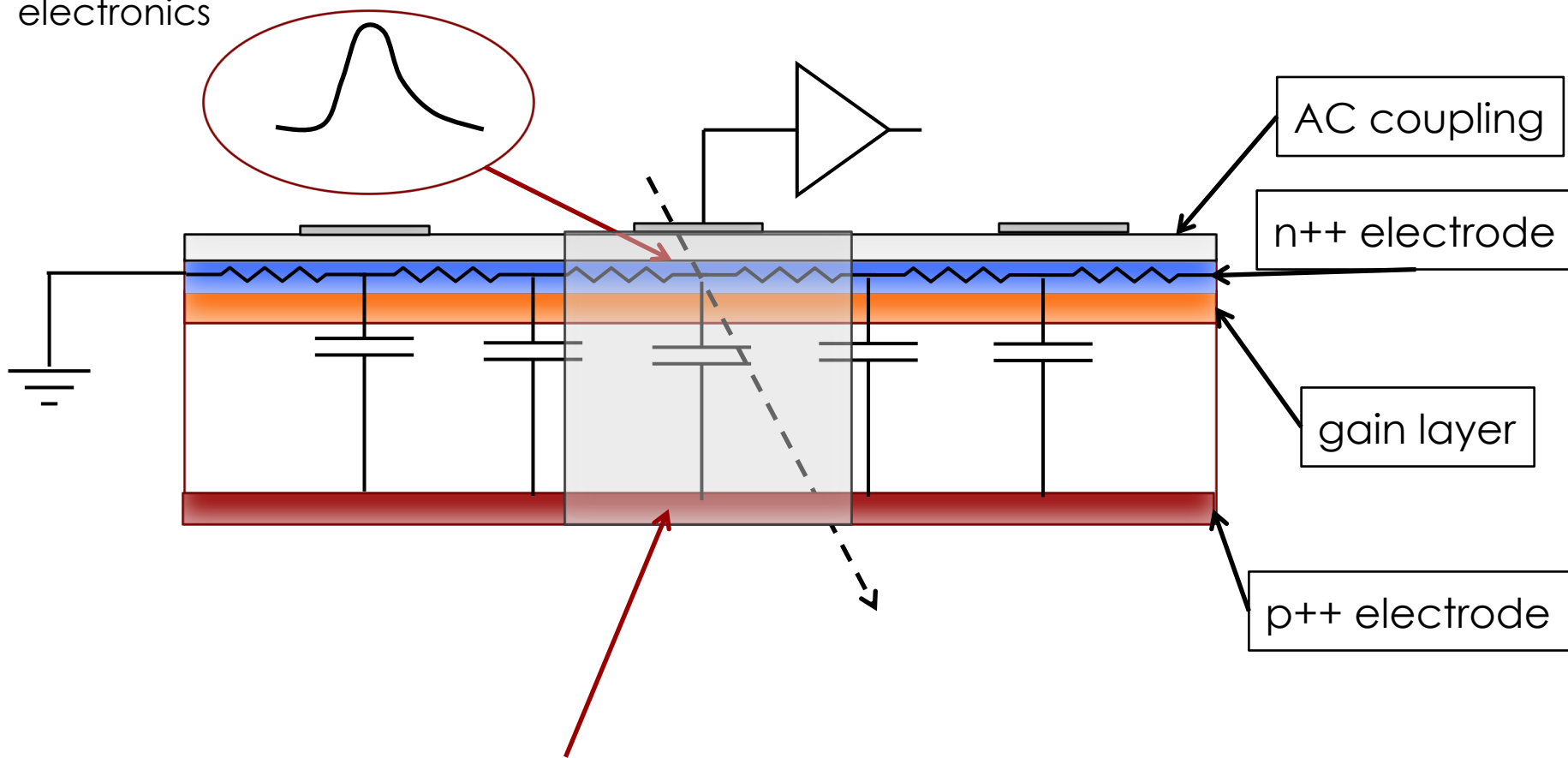
- Position dependent current shape
- Strong signal reduction with irradiation



# Fill factor solution 2: Resistive electrode

The signal is frozen on the resistive sheet, and it's AC coupled to the electronics

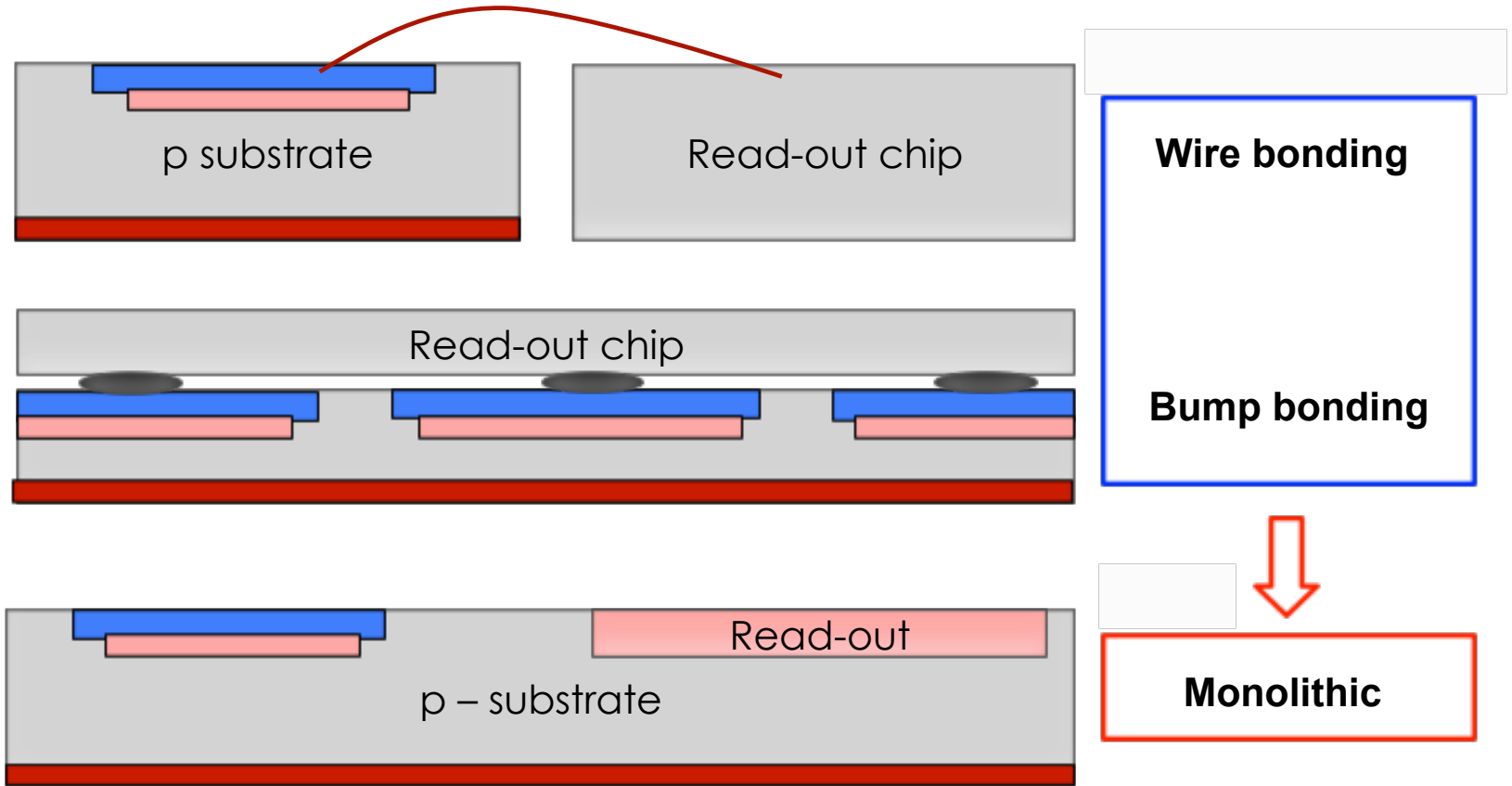
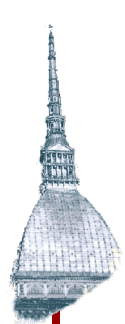
- 100% fill factor
- Segmentation is achieved via AC coupling



**The AC read-out sees only a small part of the sensor:**

small capacitance and small leakage current.

# R&D: Can we use Monolithic technology?



# Summary and outlook

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Timing layers, 4D- and 5D- tracking are being developed for the next generation of experiments

It is a challenging and beautiful developments, that requires a collective effort to succeed.

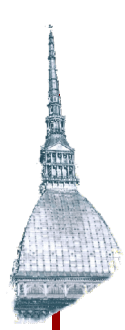
There is no “one technology fits all”:  
depending on segmentation, precision,  
radiation levels and other factors the best  
solution changes.

It would be great if in our journey we stumble  
upon a highway, to take us out of the desert

Full bibliography:

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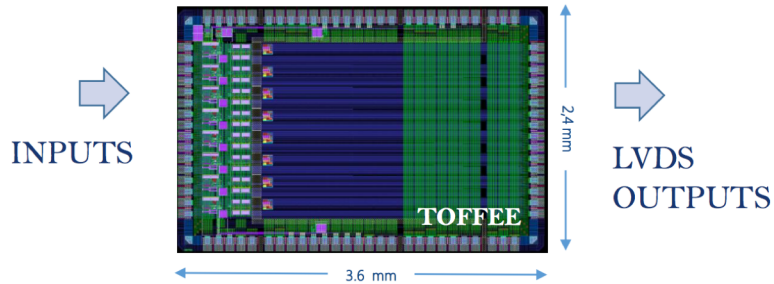
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## Two examples of UFSD and read-out chips

Single pad + TOFFEE

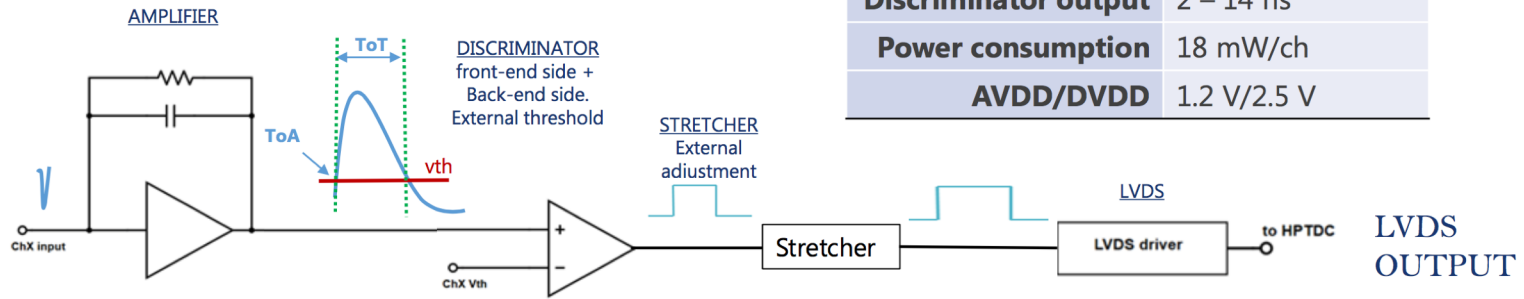
Multipad + TDCPix

# TOFFEE: a chip for timing applications



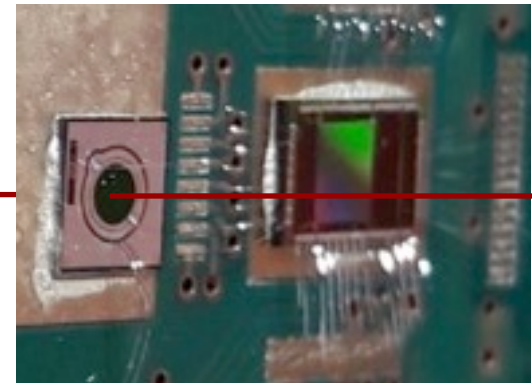
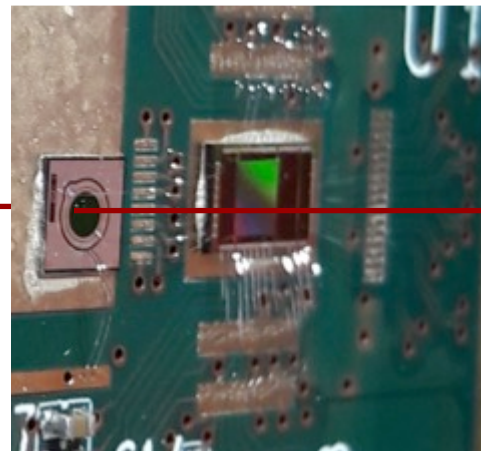
<b>Technology</b>	CMOS 110 nm
<b>Channels</b>	8
<b>Sensor capacitance</b>	2-10 pF
<b>Input dynamic range</b>	3 fC – 60 fC
<b>Analog gain</b>	7 mV/fC
<b>GBW</b>	14 GHz
<b>RMS noise (C=6pF)</b>	800 $\mu$ V
<b>Discriminator output</b>	2 – 14 ns
<b>Power consumption</b>	18 mW/ch
<b>AVDD/DVDD</b>	1.2 V/2.5 V

## The channel architecture



The LVDS output is meant for time digitization with HPTDC (rising and falling edges). **A Stretcher is required.**

Beam test at  
CERN north area



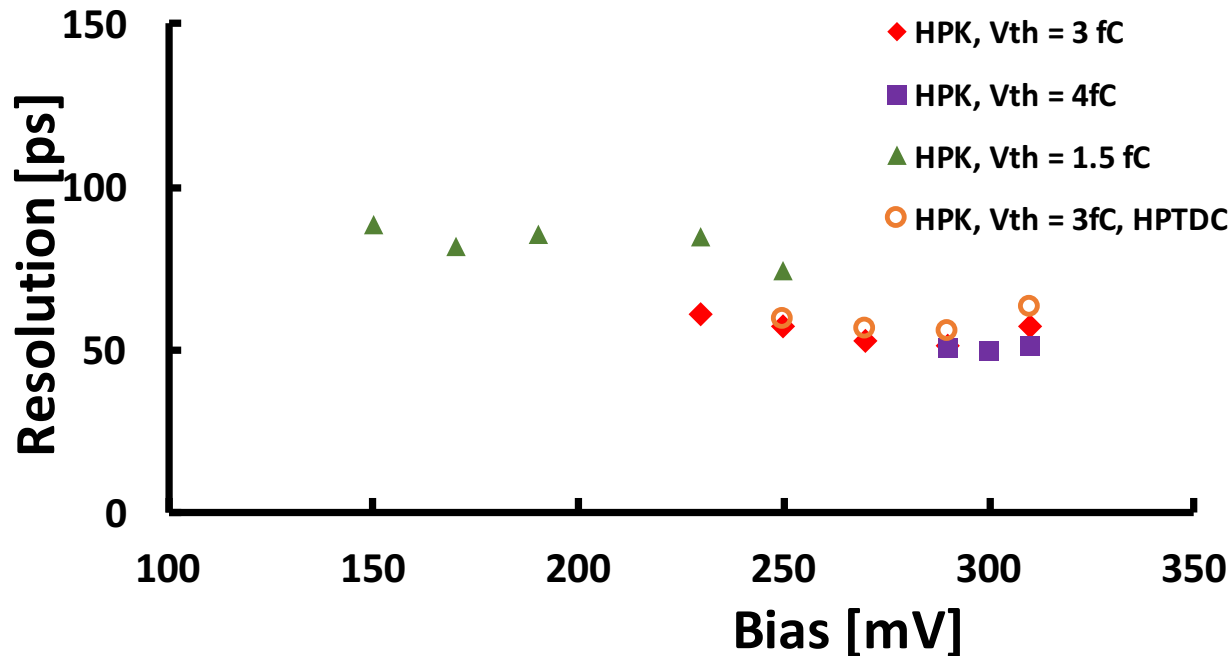


# TOFFEE: beam test results

TOFFEE is the first version of a multipurpose 8-channel chip with Time-over-Threshold time-walk correction.

It achieves a resolution of 55 ps, including the digital part.

**TOFFEE, Data with HPK, 50-micron  
Resolution vs Bias**



# Multi-pad sensors: TDCpix & FBK-UFSD

Bump-bonded NA62 TDCpix ROC to FBK-UFSD sensor

NA62 ROC: 40x45 pads, each 300x300  $\mu\text{m}^2$  (1800 pads)

- More than 99% of pads working
- Same voltage behavior as single pad: breakdown above 280 V
- **First example of 4D tracking!**

