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Physics & Electronics

- ✓ From an informal meeting about 25 years ago...
- ✓ (Micro)Electronics Tools & Methods for Physics (HEP) applications?



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Numerical Simulation of Silicon Microstrip Detectors

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In this work, the application of the general-purpose device simulator HFIELDS to the analysis of silicon microstrip detectors is presented. In the framework of CMS collaboration, a comprehensive device characterization has been performed by means of steady-state (DC) and small-signals (AC) numerical analyses. The study of charge collection dynamics has been carried out as well, by means of transient analysis. Simulation results exhibit a good agreement with literature data, and allow for detailed insights of device behavior. This makes it possible to investigate device performance sensitivity to fabrication and environmental parameters and highlights potential applications of numerical analysis as a device design and optimization aid.

1. INTRODUCTION

Microelectronics techniques, originally aimed at producing small and dense integrated circuits, have been exploited by the particle physicist community to obtain large-area, high-resolution, position-sensitive radiation detectors. Such devices, although relying on very simple operating principles, still pose some challenging design problems, mostly related to their performance in terms of S/N ratio and radiation hardness. The integration of on-board, signal-processing circuitry on high-resistivity silicon chips represents a further, non-trivial issue being faced in this field.

Technology CAD tools (process and device simulation) are being routinely used to design "conventional" integrated circuits; they have instead seldom been applied to the design and optimization of microstrip detectors (see, e.g., [1]). A number of advantages can be obtained by exploiting TCAD techniques to design such devices:

- prototyping time and costs can be significantly reduced
- numerical simulation allows for inspecting "internal" device behavior, making information available which can hardly be extracted from actual device measurements (e.g., field and mobile charge distribution). "Virtual" experiments can be carried out under unpractical conditions, allowing for cause-effect relationships to be more easily assessed. This fosters the comprehension and interpretation of many operating details and allows for a close link to be established between fabrication process parameters and device electrical response.

In this paper, we preliminarily report on the application of a general-purpose device simulator (HFIELDS [2]) to the analysis of silicon microstrip detectors being developed in the framework of CMS collaboration. Reliable predictions can be obtained from device simulation, provided a key role is played by the charge distribution within oxide and at the Si-SiO₂ interface, as well as by recombination dynamics.

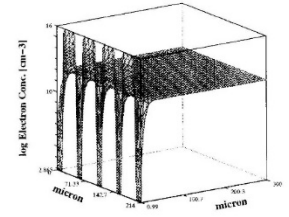
In Sect. 2 below, the basic features of the simulation code we used are reviewed, and some of the specific questions posed by the simulation of radiation detectors are addressed. A few preliminary simulation results are illustrated in Sect. 3, whereas conclusions and future work plans are discussed in Sect. 4.

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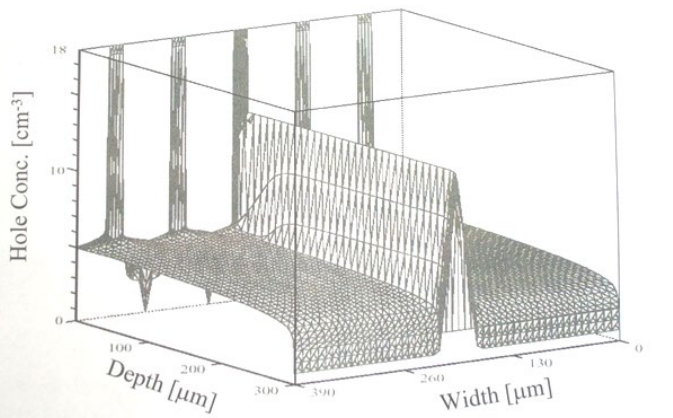
ULATION EXAMPLES

gin with, the structure sketched in Fig. 1 considered. It consists of a single-sided, p-doped detector. Five strips have been con-allowing for up-to-second neighbors in- is to be accounted for. A 2D simulation carried out, thus neglecting fringing ef-rip ends. p-strip implants have been de-ry means of a Gaussian doping profile, the ers of which were extracted from device ments and from process simulation [5].



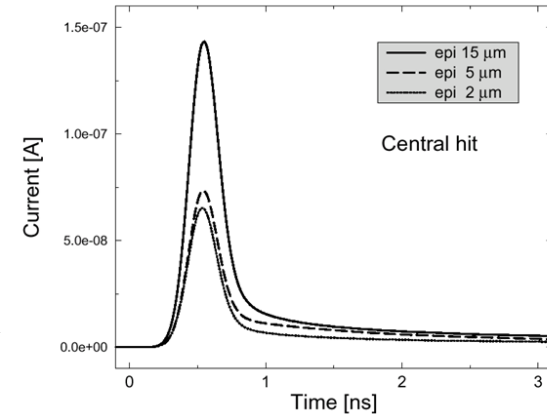
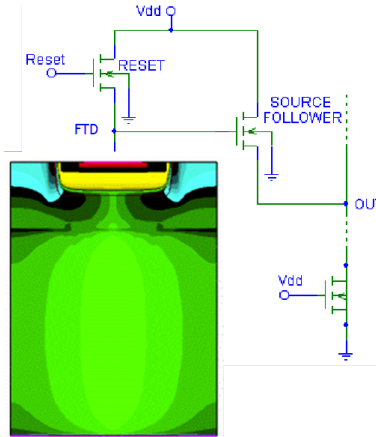
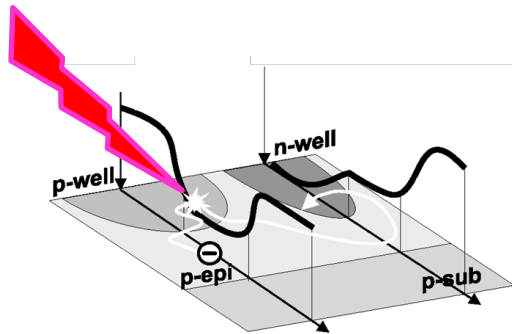
Discretization mesh for the detector in Fig. 1

shows the discretization grid for the device 1; it counts 2200 meshpoints and 4100 ar elements. To this regard, it should be zed that, despite the geometrical descrip- tion of the discretization grid remains a ual task, which has strong influence on e reliability of simulation results and on putational effort required. Unlike conven- ion-electronic devices, in fact, microstrip s "active region" spans over the whole thickness, at the same time retaining some size in the μm range. To resolve prop-

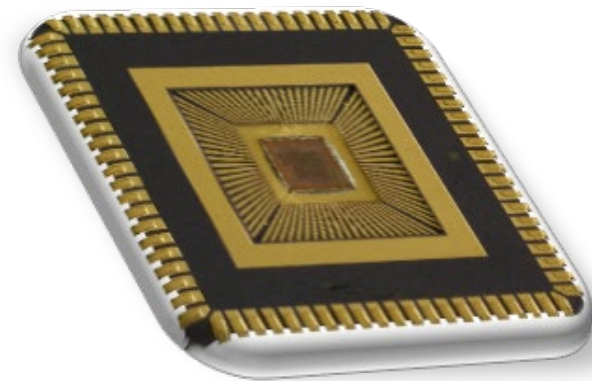
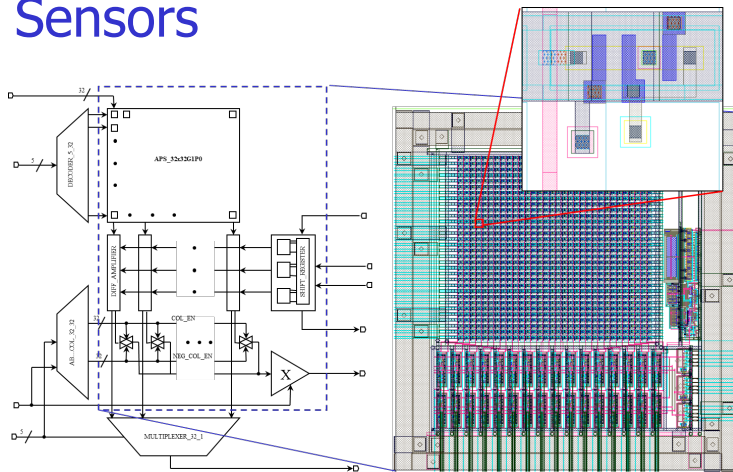


Physics & Electronics (2)

- ✓ TCAD Modelling of the interaction between radiation (particle) & semiconductor devices.



- ✓ Read-out electronics integrated within sensor -> CMOS Active Pixel Sensors



The RAPS01 chip: first Italian CMOS Active Pixel Sensor for HEP (UMC 0.18um)

Physics & Electronics (3)

- ✓ Radiation damage effects in semiconductor devices: TCAD "University of Perugia" model.

DELIVERABLE REPORT

TCAD-RADIATION DAMAGE MODEL

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Abstract

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framework, radiation damage effects can be summarized in two main classes: ionizing and non-ionizing effects. Ionizing effects can be ascribed to surface damage (or interface damage), namely the build-up of trapped charge in the oxide, the increase in the number of bulk oxide traps and the increase in the number of interface traps. For TCAD simulation purposes, such effects can be described in terms of fixed oxide charge (Q_{ox}) and interface trap states densities (N_{it}). On the other hand, non-ionizing effects can be ascribed to a bulk damage: silicon lattice defect generation, point and cluster defects formation and therefore an increase of deep-level trap states.

Traps provide allowed energy states within the semiconductor band-gap, affecting the device behaviour to many respects, e.g. by altering the effective doping, by enhancing recombination and by increasing leakage current. From TCAD stand-point, several models, e.g. Shockley-Read-Hall recombination, depend on traps implicitly. The correct trap parametrization is therefore of utmost importance in order to correctly describe the radiation damage effects. With reference to the state-of-the-art Synopsys Sentaurus TCAD tool, traps have to be described by defining their type (acceptor or donor), energy distribution (Level, Gaussian, Uniform, ...), capture cross-sections for both electrons and holes and concentration / spatial distribution. In particular, acceptor traps are uncharged when unoccupied (empty) or negatively charged when occupied (they carry the charge of one electron when fully occupied). On the other hand, donor traps are uncharged when unoccupied (empty) or positively charged when occupied (they carry the charge of one hole when fully occupied). Even if traps located in the upper half of the band-gap energy are usually assumed as acceptor and traps located in the lower half are assumed as donor, the trap type definition should be therefore carefully taken into account, in particular when describing interface trap states which typically act as amphoteric traps. The overall band-gap traps distribution for interface trap states and bulk trap states are summarized in Fig. XX and Fig. XX, respectively. The complete trap parametrization is reported in Fig. XX (see par. XX).

Interface trap levels distribution =

Bulk trap levels distribution =

3.-TCAD-MODEL-USER'S-GUIDE

3.1.-FILE-CMD

In order to exploit the radiation damage models within Synopsys Sentaurus TCAD, the Physics section of the input command file (.cmd) must be properly modified. In particular, the following sections for surface damage and bulk damage have to be inserted.

Physics {
 [Electron] {
 Model {
 Equation {

$$\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_s \nabla \phi) = q (N_D^+ - N_A^- + p - n + p_d - n_a)$$

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_n = -U_n$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_p = -U_p$$

$$\frac{\partial n_a}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_{na} = -U_{na}$$

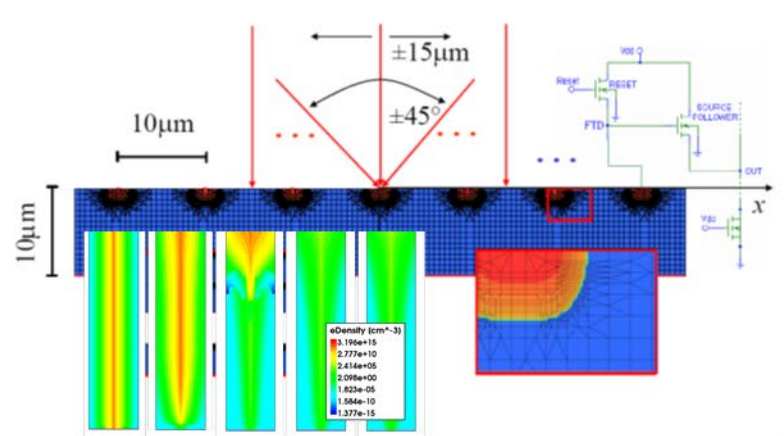
$$\frac{\partial p_d}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{q} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_{pd} = -U_{pd}$$

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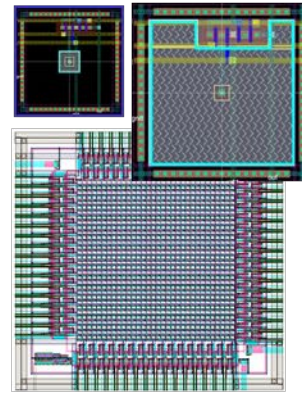
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Model 2	1.2	2.1	3.1	4.1	5.1	6.1	7.1	8.1	9.1	10.1
Model 3	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5
Model 4	1.8	2.8	3.8	4.8	5.8	6.8	7.8	8.8	9.8	10.8

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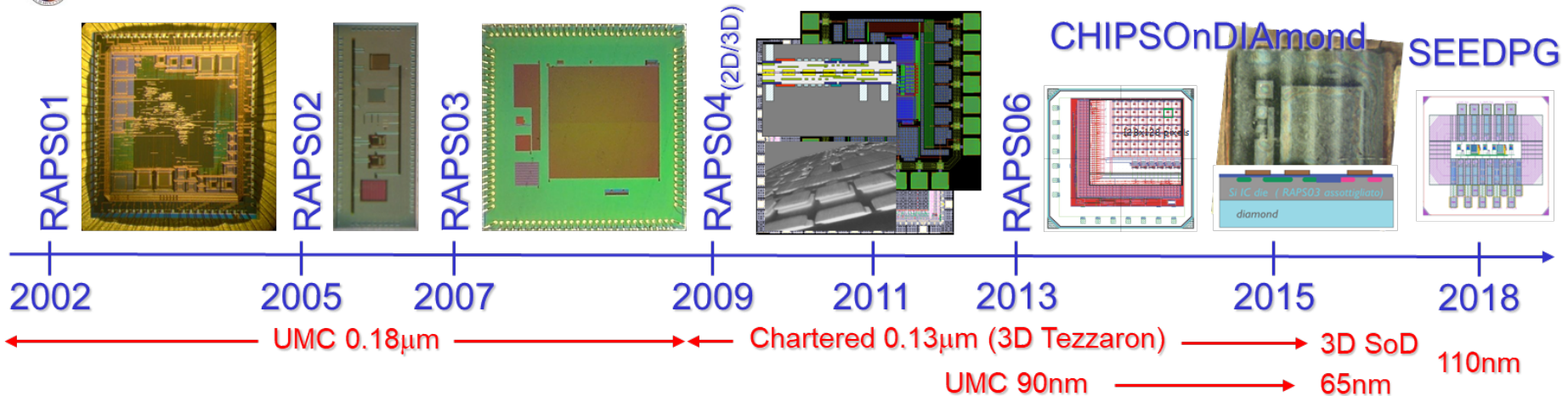
Numerical Analysis and Physical Modeling of solid-state devices.



VLSI Design and Characterization of integrated circuits: CMOS Active Pixel Sensors.

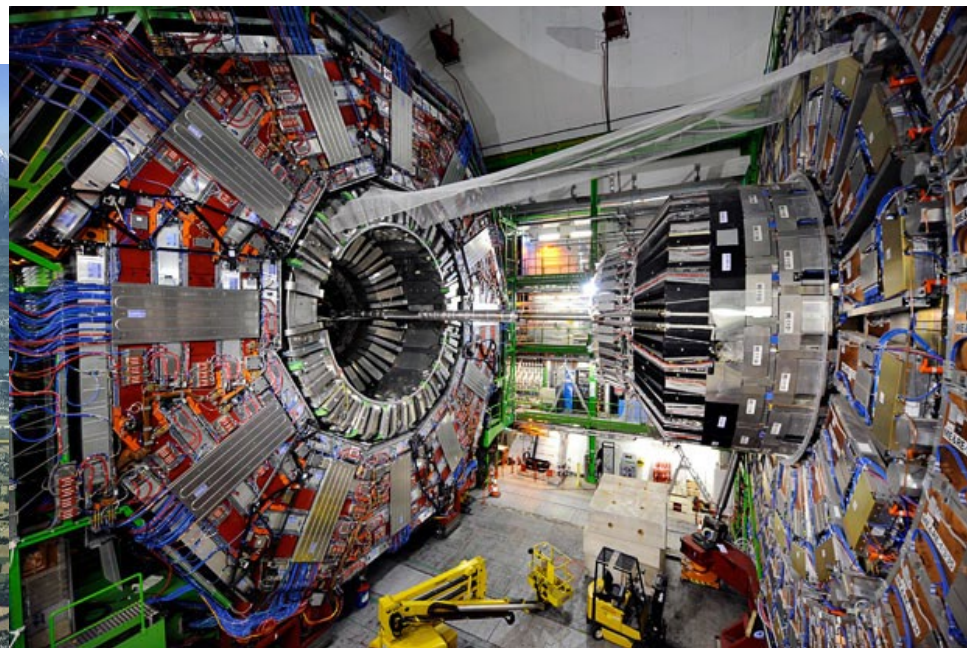
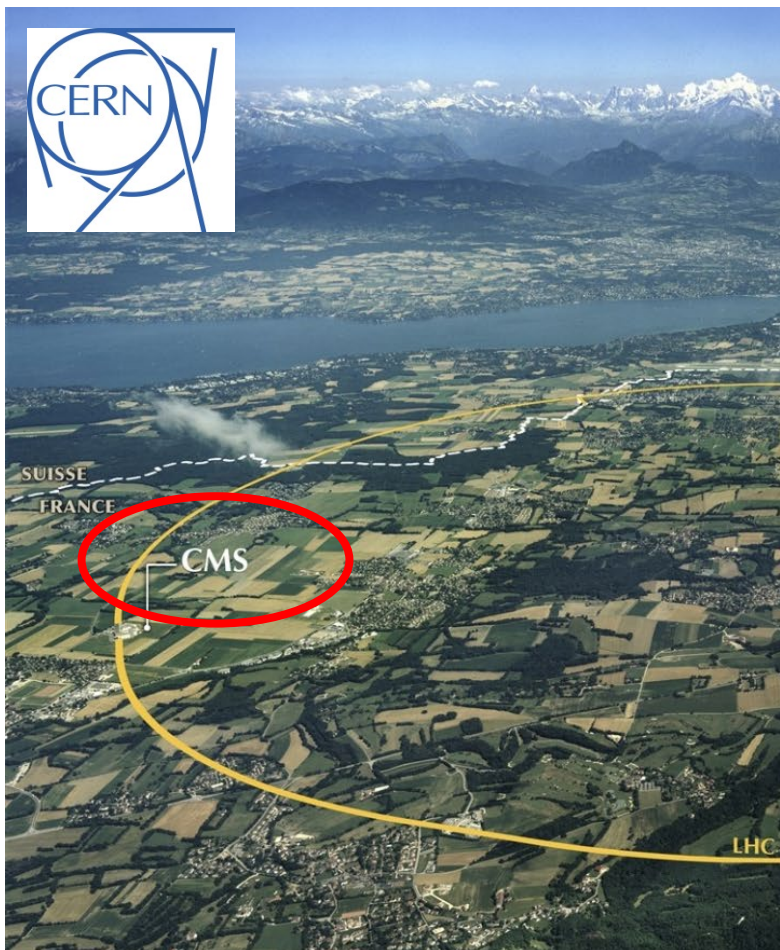


UNIPG – Electronics VLSI Timeline



The CERN (Geneva, Switzerland) & Perugia...

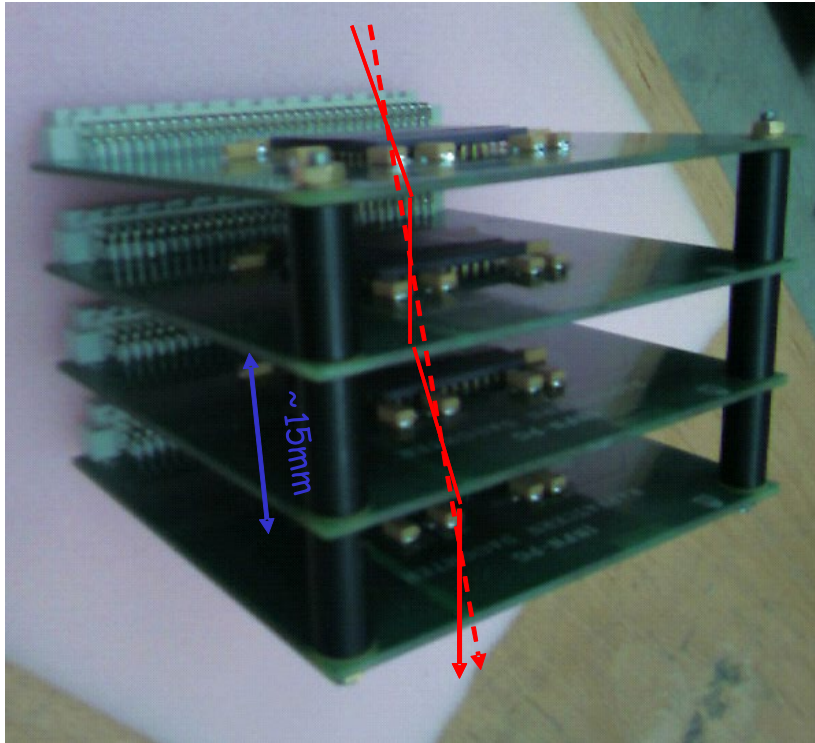
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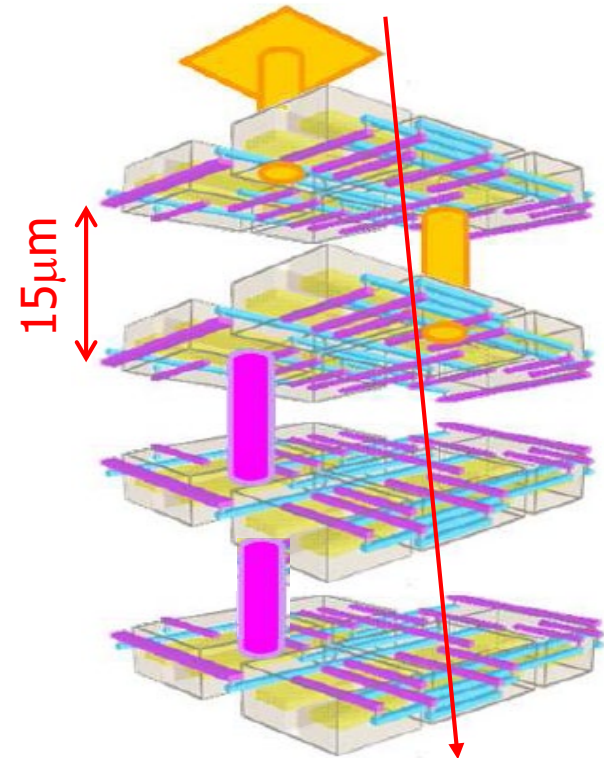
CMS 220 m² Si detectors (Hamamatsu)
- Rad-Hard design solution @Perugia Model
RD53 Read-Out Electronics 65nm CMOS

3D Vertical Scale CMOS Active Pixel Sensors

- ✓ 3D monolithically-stacked CMOS Active Pixel Sensor detector for single ionizing particle trajectory and momentum identification.



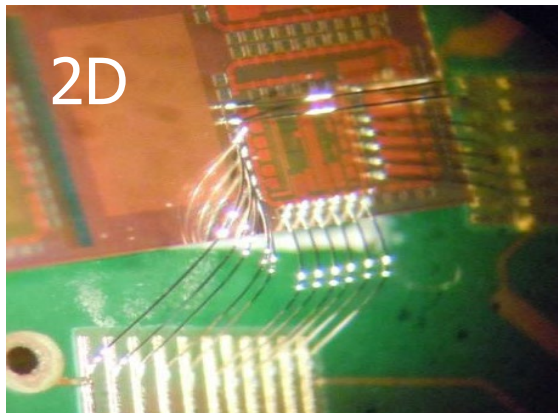
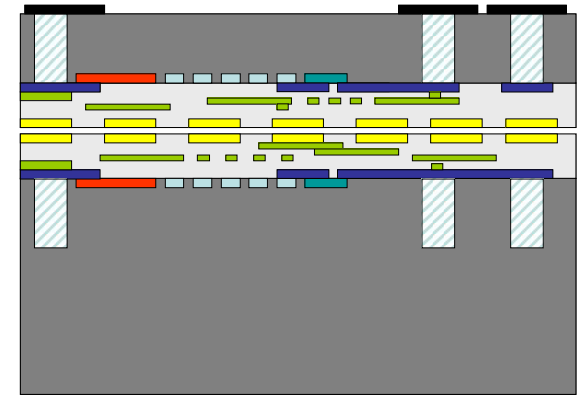
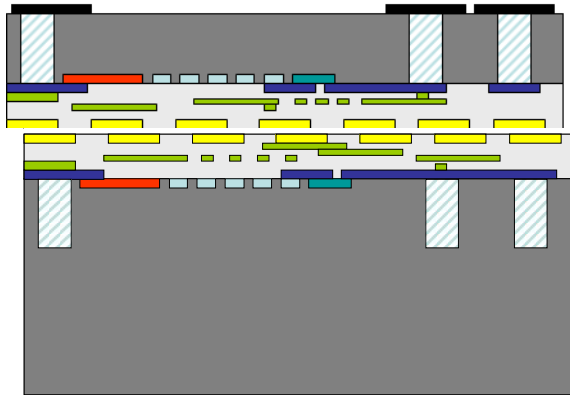
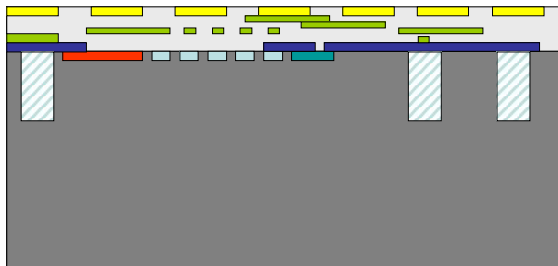
Stack of separate **multi-layer CMOS APS** detectors.
Worries: multiple scattering and material budget...



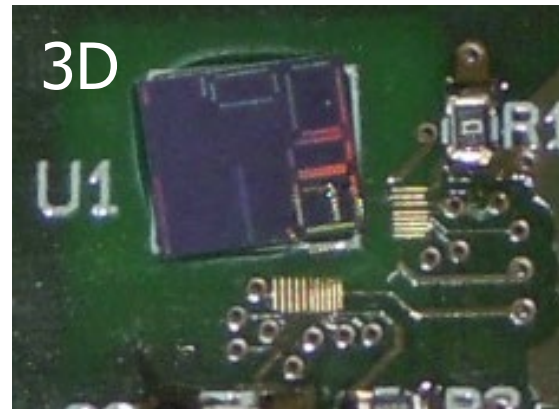
Stack of monolithically integrated (**vertical scale** or **3D**) CMOS APS detectors.

The 3D chip structures

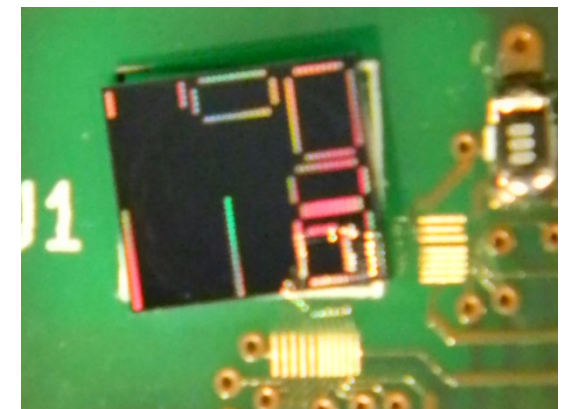
- ✓ Tezzaron/GlobalFoundries
3D-IC Integrated 2-tier stack
130nm CMOS



2D



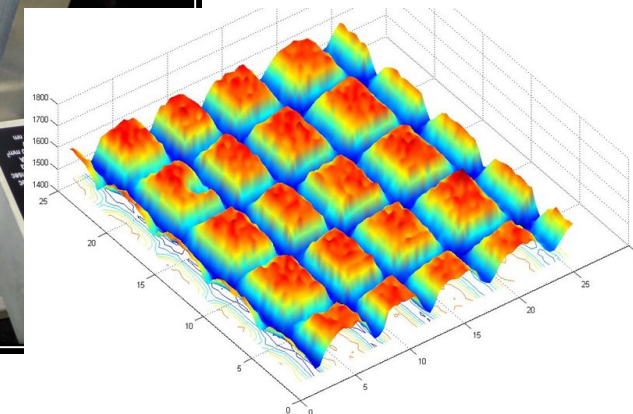
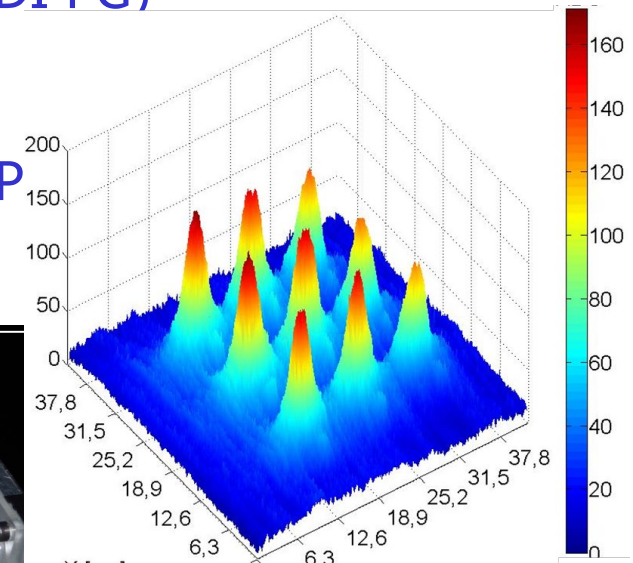
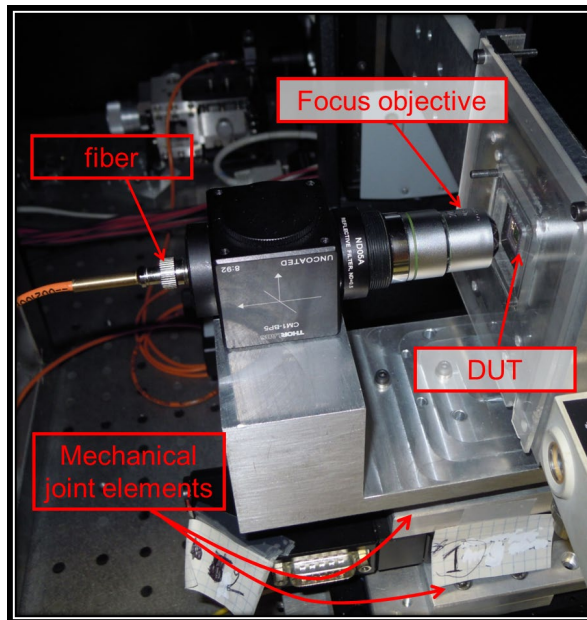
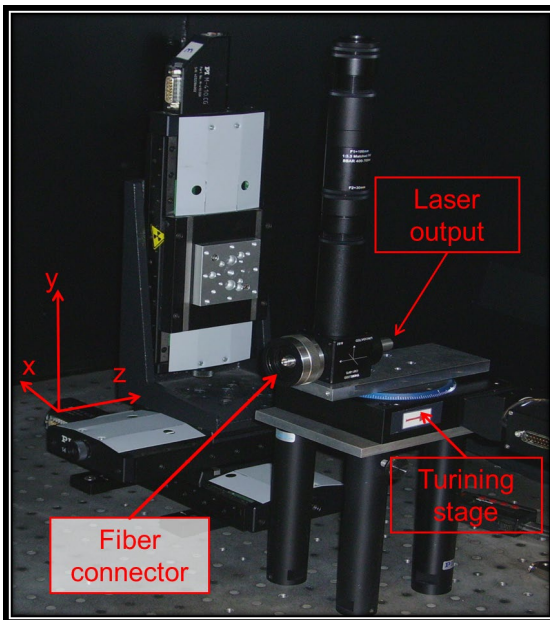
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3D Aligned
(Ziptronix/Tezzaron).

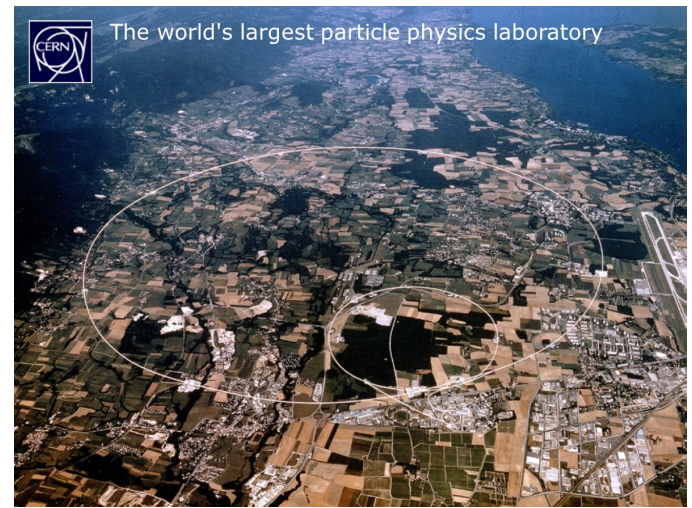
Lab Facilities (@DI, @INFN PG)

- ✓ Advanced TCAD & VLSI Design Laboratory (@DI PG)
 - 2 PowerEdge R640 Server Dell + 8 PCs
- ✓ Optical Workbench IR, UV, VIS laser (@INFN P with μ -focusing and μ -positioning capabilities.

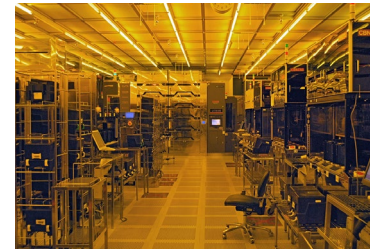


Collaborations

✓ CERN (Geneve, Switzerland)



✓ Micron (USA), LFoundry, 



✓ Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)

✓ Rutherford Appleton Laboratory (UK)



INFN & DI(EI): some numbers...

- ✓ More than 150 scientific papers on International Journals.
- ✓ More than 50 contributions to International Conferences.
- ✓ More than 80 among B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D. Thesis.
- ✓ More than 10 Ph.D. Students (CERN doctoral, CERN staff).
- ✓ Joint Organization of Conferences, Workshops, ...
- ✓ AR grants

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Numerical Simulation of Radiation Damage in p-Type and n-Type FZ Silicon Detectors

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Abstract—In the framework of the CERN-HBDS Collaborator the adoption of p-type substrates has been proposed as a st
mean to improve the radiation hardness of silicon detectors
fluencies of 1×10^{14} n/cm².
In this work two numerical simulation models will be pre
for p-type and n-type silicon detectors, respectively. A comp
sive analysis of the variation of the effective doping concentr
(N_{eff}), the leakage current density and the charge collecti
efficiency as a function of the fluence has been performed usi
Synopsys TCAD device simulator. The simulated electrical
characteristics of irradiated detectors have been compared w
peripheral measurements extracted from the literature, sh
a very good agreement.
The predicted behaviour of p-type silicon detectors after i
ation up to 10^{14} n/cm² shows better results in terms of char
gection efficiency and full depletion voltage, with respect to
material, while comparable behaviour has been observed in
of leakage current density.

Index Terms—Device simulation, particle physics, rad
iation damage effects.

I. INTRODUCTION

IN RECENT years there has been much effort to im
prove the radiation tolerance of detectors to be used in hi
g energy physics (HEP) experiments, owing to the continuo
ous increase of accelerators energy and efficiency. As a refer
ence, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN is planned to
be upgraded to a luminosity of 10^{34} cm⁻²s⁻¹. Under these cond
itions the expected radiation fluence at the micro-vertex track
ing plane ($R = 4$ cm) from the impact point is expected to be
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well within the M.E.V. neutron equivalent detector space

Interdetector Charge Exchange Detectors at Cryo

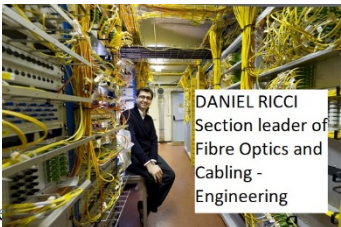
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Abstract—Silicon particle detectors in the next generation
experiments at the CERN Large Hadron Collider will be expos
ed to a very challenging radiation environment. The primary
obstacle to long-term operation arises from changes in the de
fecting doping concentration (N_{eff}), which lead to an increase in the
required to deplete the detector and hence achieve efficient char
ge collection. We have previously presented a model of interde
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non-Shockley-Read-Hall (SRH) mechanism leads to a mark
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subject of erogenic detector operation as a means of improv
ing radiation hardness. Our motivation, however, is primarily to
investigate our model further by testing its predictions over a range
of temperatures. We present here measurements of spectra from
²¹¹Am alpha particles and 1064-um laser pulses as a function of
bias between 120 and 200 K. Values of N_{eff} and substrate type
are extracted from the spectra and compared with the model.
The model is implemented in both a commercial finite-element
device simulator (ISE-TCAD) and a purpose-built simulation
of interdetector charge exchange. Deviation from the model are
explored and comments made as to possible future directions
for investigation of this difficult problem.

Index Terms—Position sensitive particle detectors, semicon
ductor detectors, semiconductor device radiation effects, silicon
temperature.

I. INTRODUCTION

EXPERIMENTS at the CERN Large Hadron Collider
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particle tracking. The radiation environment will be chal
lenging, with detectors predicted to receive hadron fluences of
up to $\sim 10^{15}$ 1-MeV neutrons per square centimeter over their



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✓ INFN (RAPS, SHARPS, VIPIX, SEED, TIMESPOT, ...)



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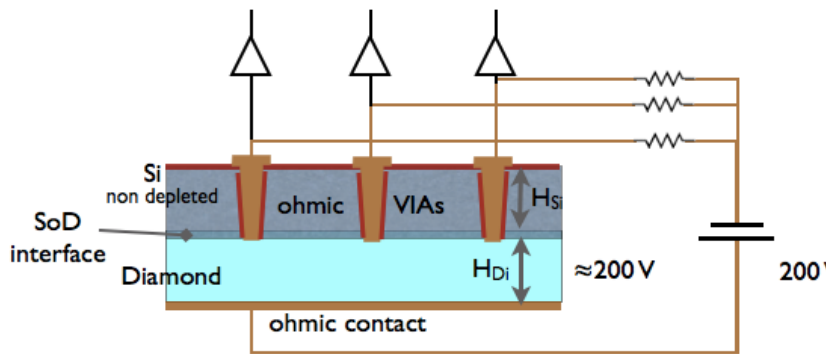
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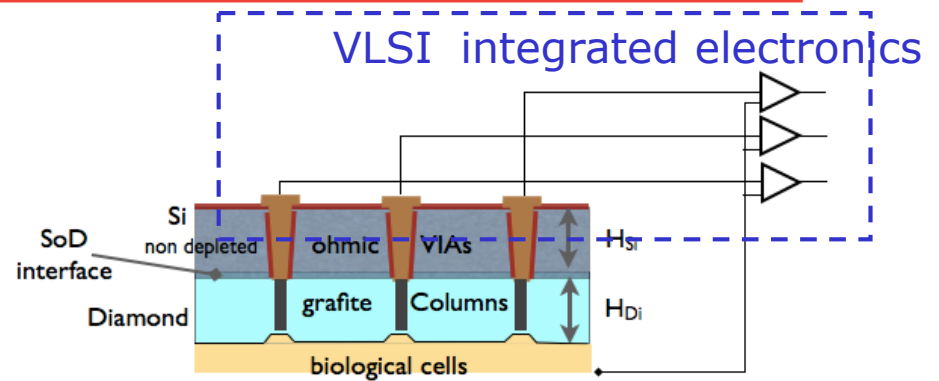
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CHIPS On DIAMond

- ✓ Novel silicon-on-diamond (SoD) material obtained by laser processing.



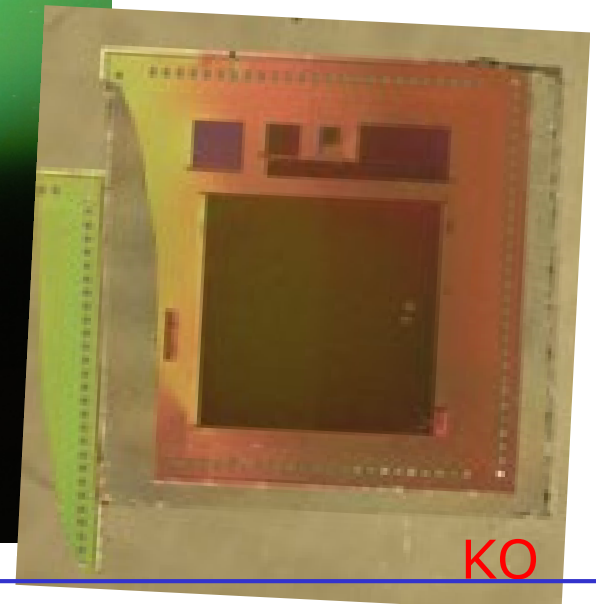
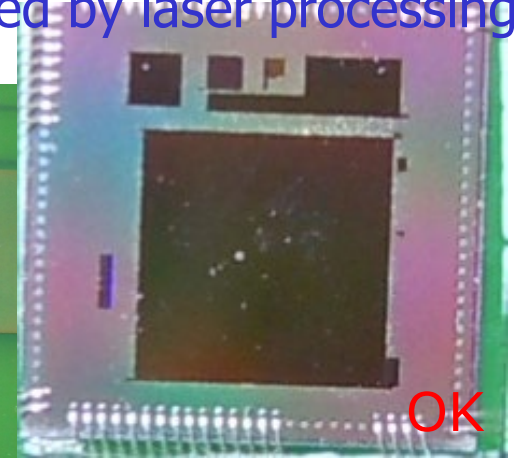
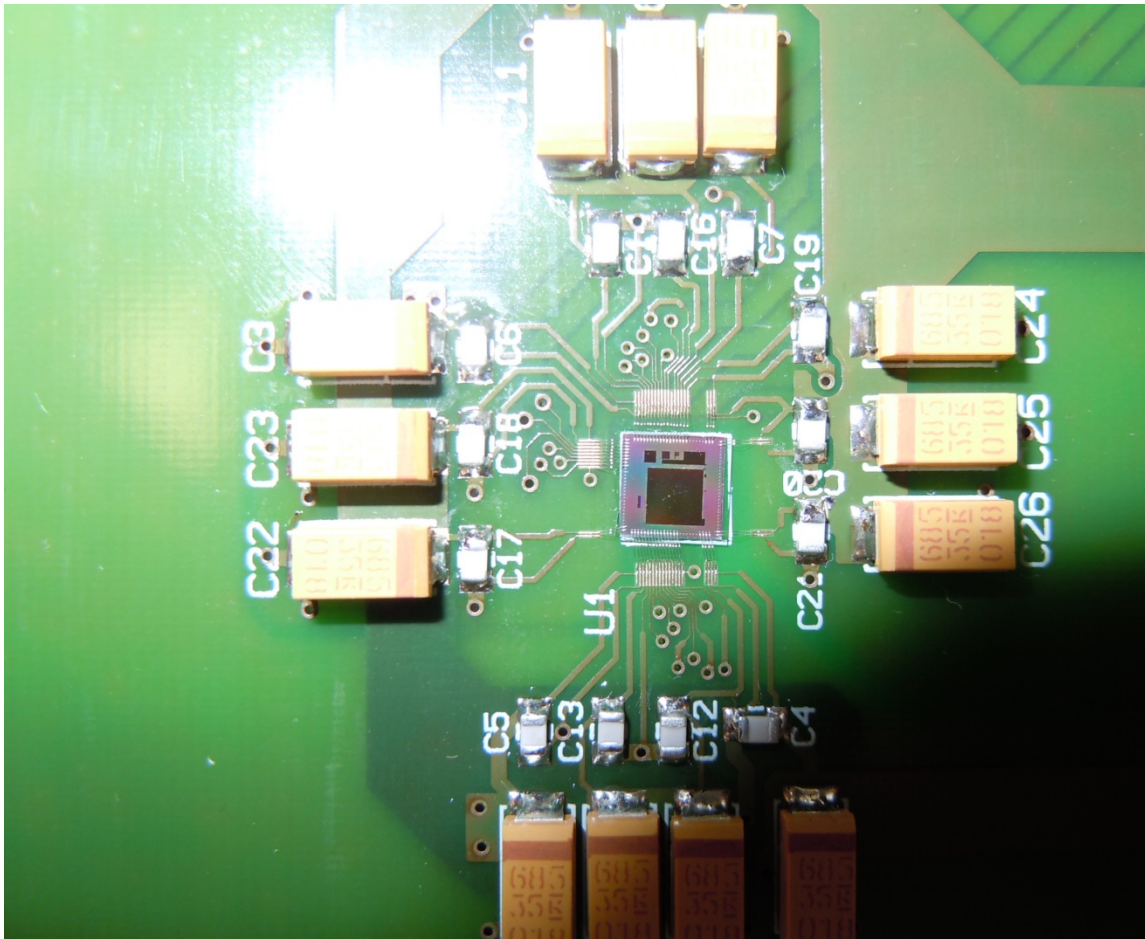
SoD as particle detector.



SoD as bio-sensor.

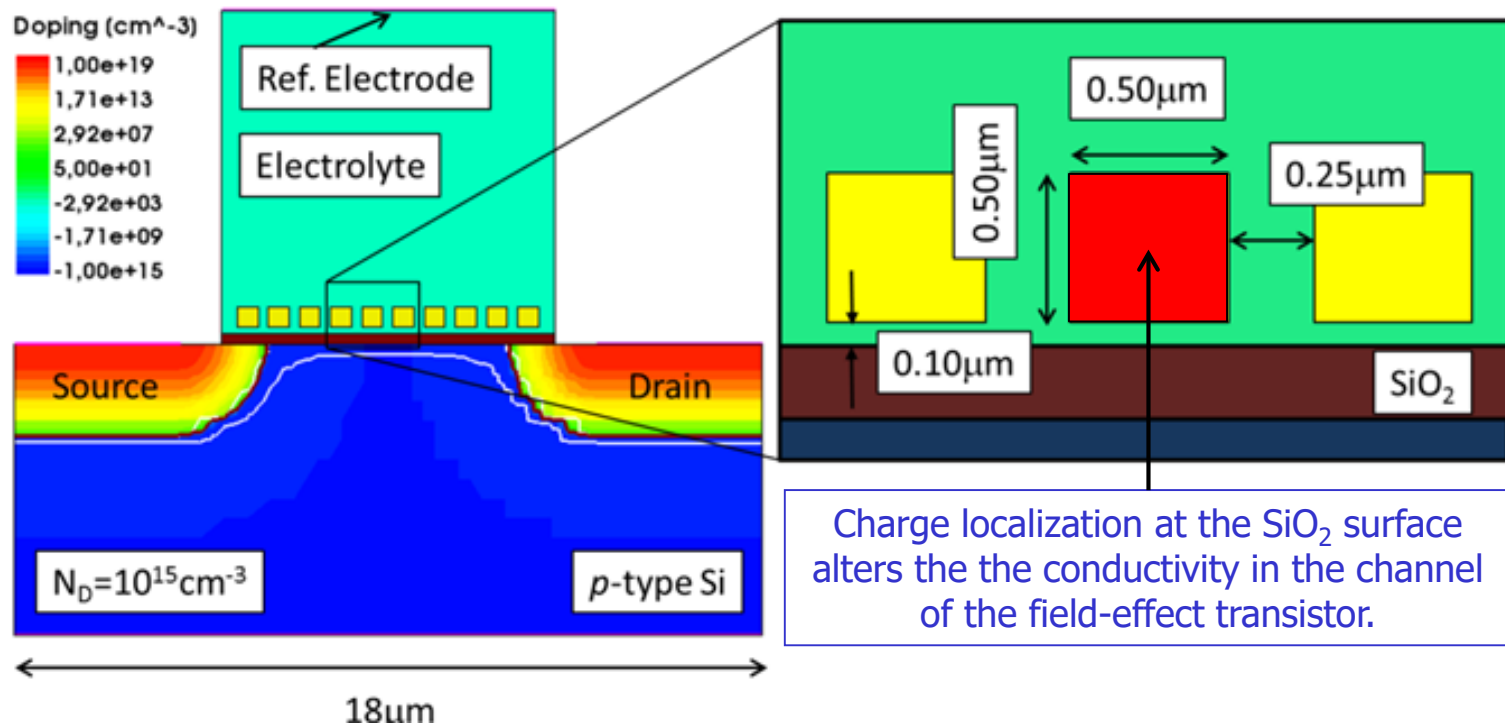
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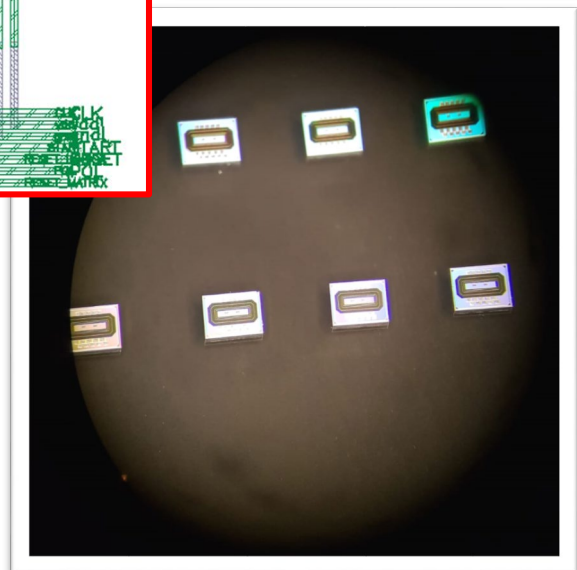
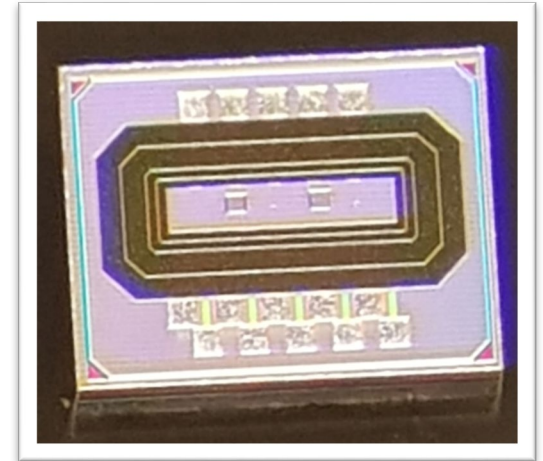
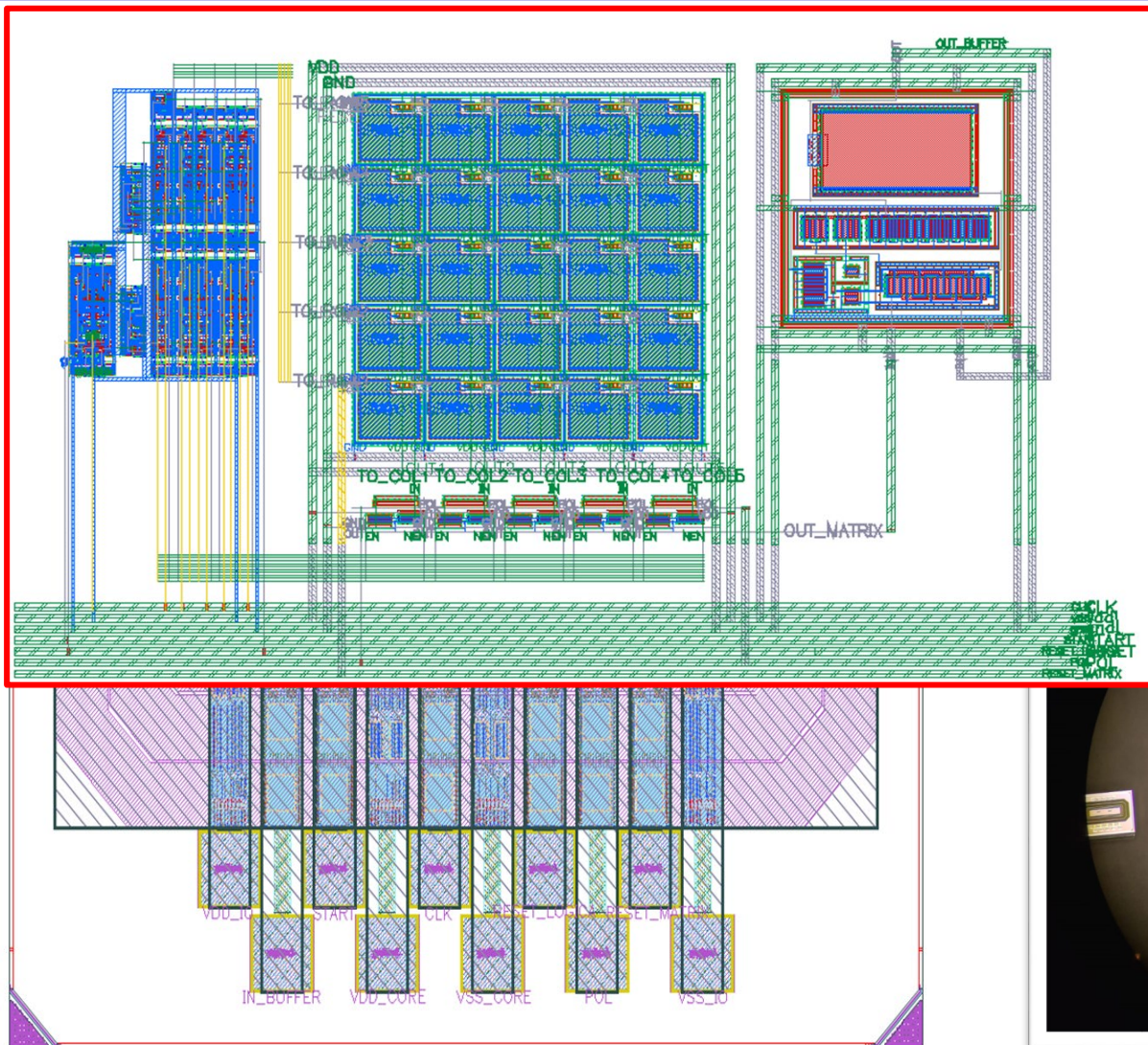


Biosensori - BioFET

- ✓ BioFET operating principle: if target molecules bind to the receptors, a change in the surface charge density occurs.
- ✓ This change alters the (electrical) potential in the semiconductor and thus the conductivity in the channel of the field-effect transistor.



CMOS Active Pixel Sensor – SEED PG



Sensori di radiazione **LGAD**

- ✓ Low Gain Avalanche Diode (**LGAD**).
- ✓ Sensori di radiazione allo stato dell'arte basati su controllo del guadagno (moltiplicazione di carica).
- ✓ Effetti del danneggiamento da radiazione.

DC analysis: **Electric field**

- DC polarization
 - *n+ cathode*: 0 V
 - *p+ anode*: -400 V

C1 => cut X = -5 μm
C2 => cut X = -35 μm

Abs(ElectricField-V) ($\text{V}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$)

