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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

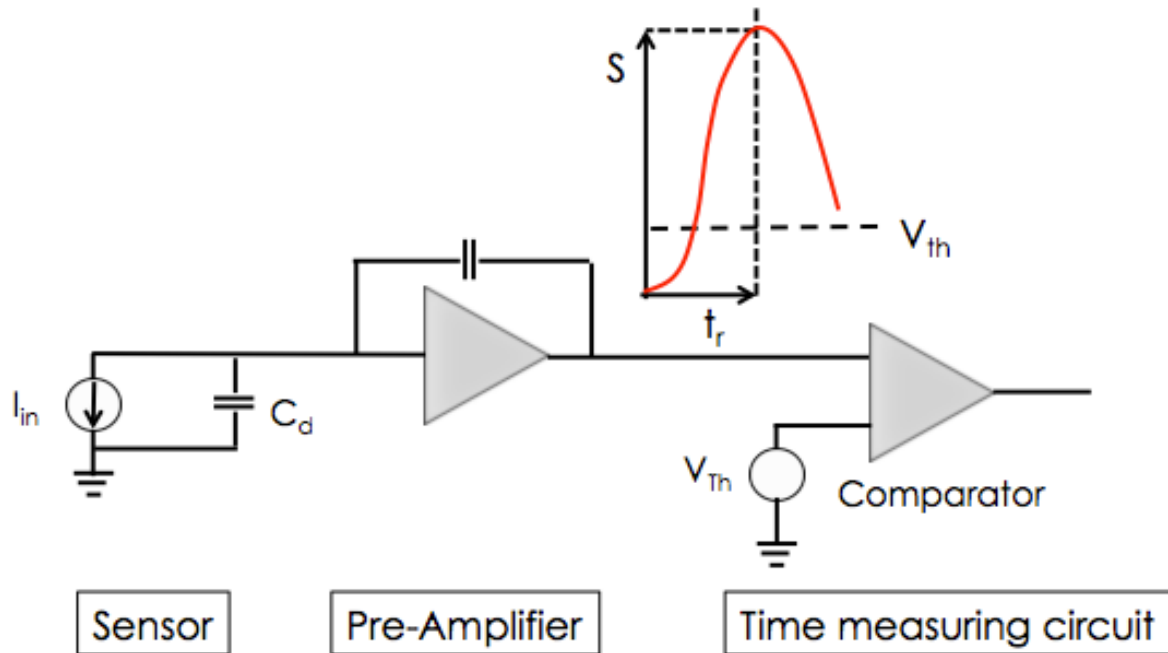
The inclusion of track-timing in the event information has the capability of changing radically how we design experiments.

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

A time-tagging detector

(a simplified view)



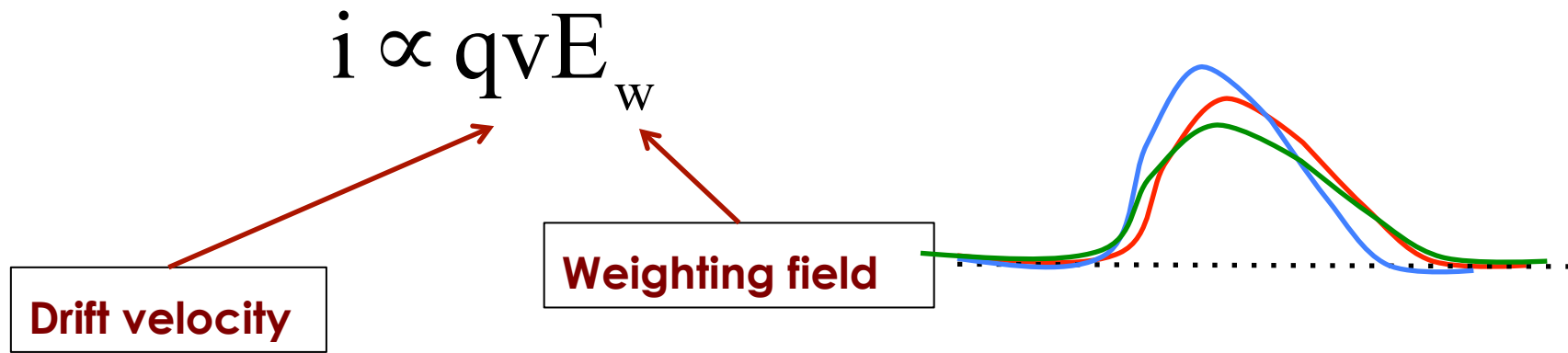
Time is set when the signal crosses the comparator threshold

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

Not all geometries are possible

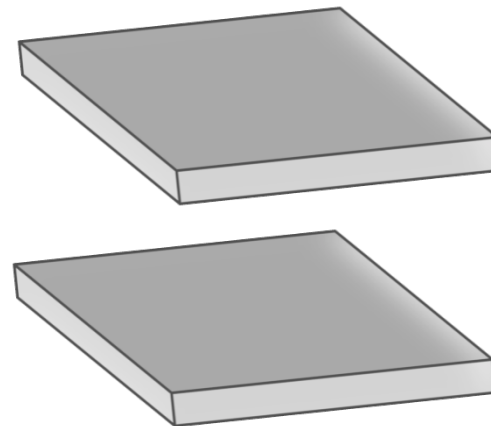
Signal shape is determined by Ramo's Theorem:



The key to good timing is the uniformity of signals:

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

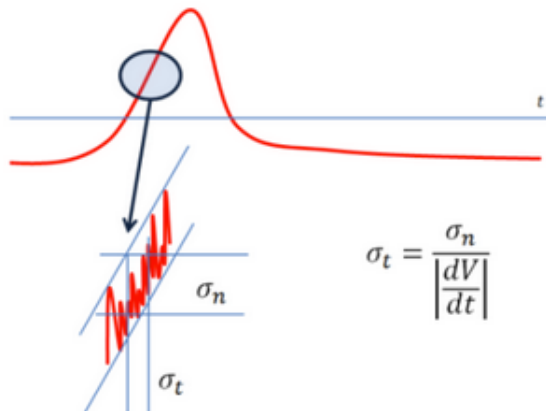
Basic rule: parallel plate geometry



Time resolution

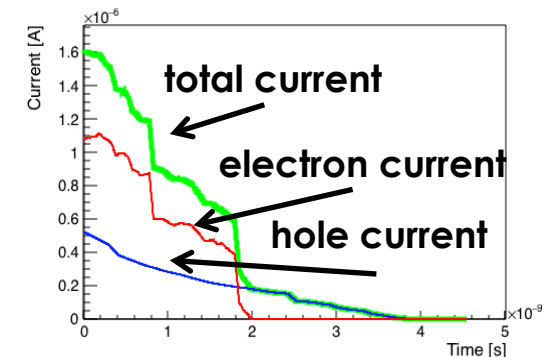
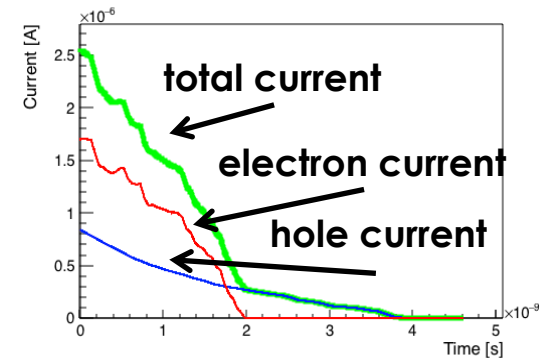
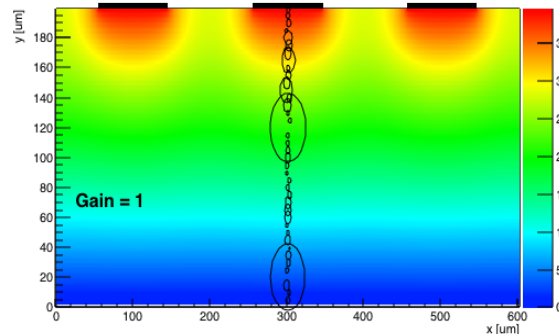
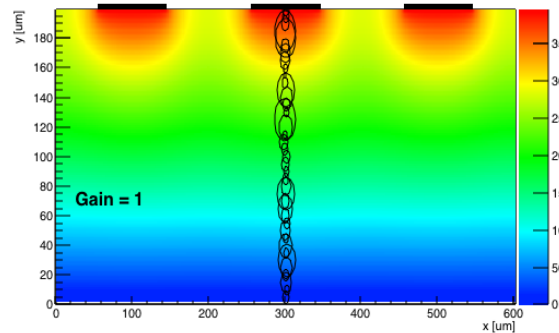
$$\sigma_t = \left(\frac{N}{dV/dt} \right)^2 + (\text{Landau Shape})^2 + \text{TDC}$$

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



Time walk: time correction circuitry

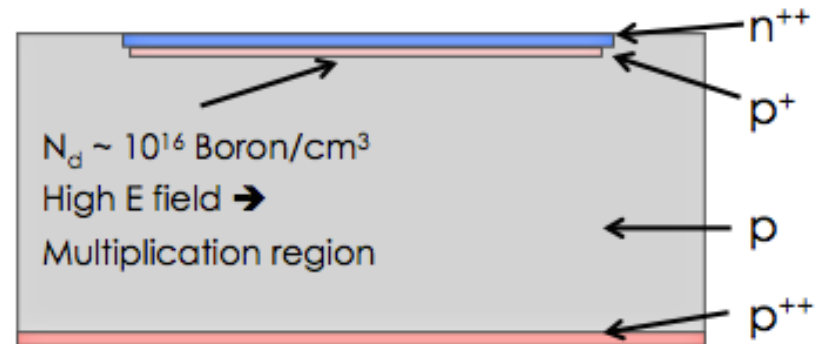
Shape variations: non homogeneous energy deposition



Sensors for 4D tracking

Must have:

- Large dV/dt to minimize jitter
- Segmentation
- Radiation hard



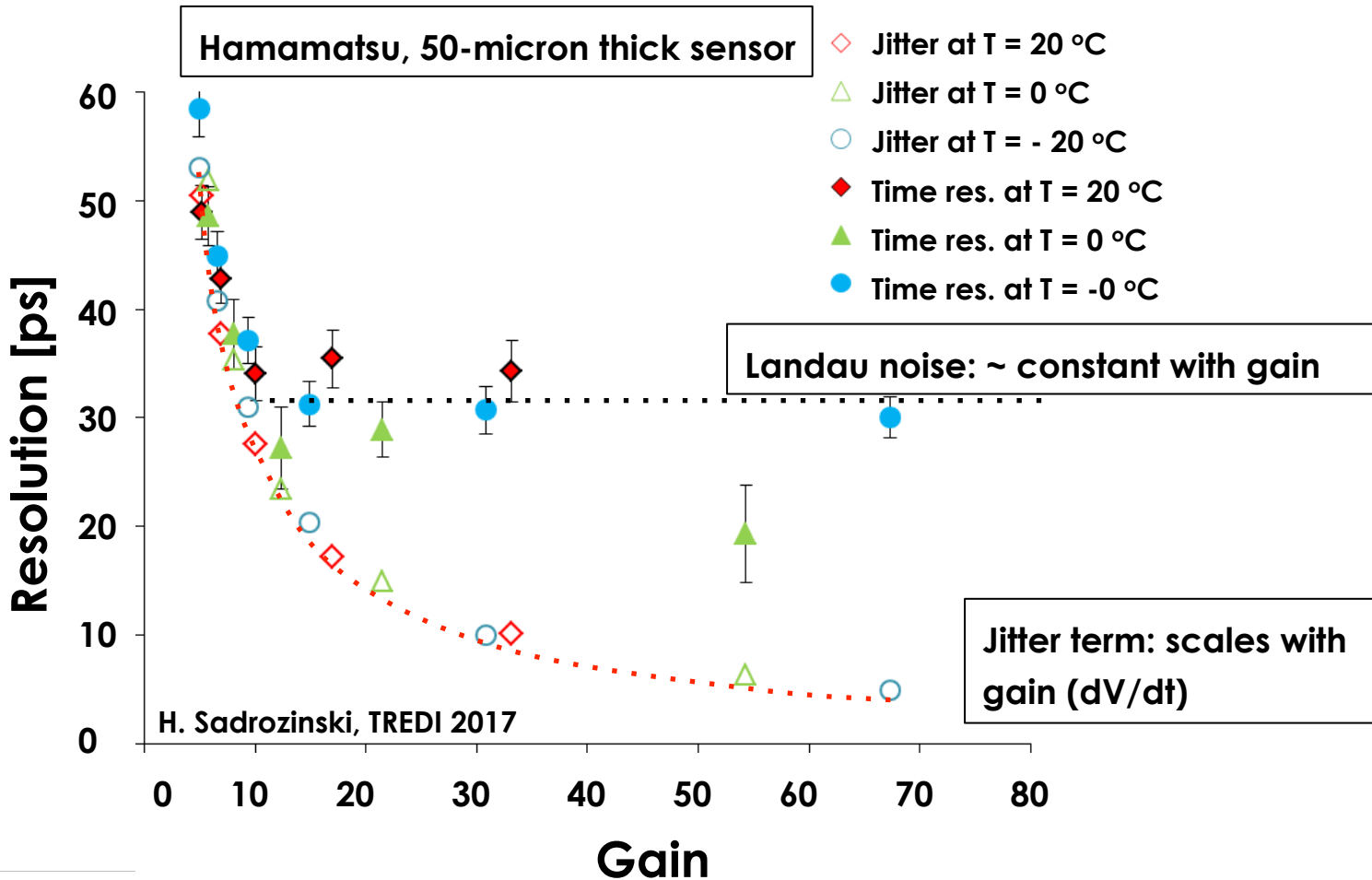
The game changer is the introduction by CNM of the **LGAD** idea:

- Add a thin layer of doping to produce low controlled multiplication.
- This idea retains almost (segmentation) the benefit of standard silicon sensors
- **UFSD**: LGAD sensors, optimized for timing

Runner up: **3D trench detectors**.

Deep trench - 200 micron -, closed by in space – 50 micron apart, meet the above requirements.

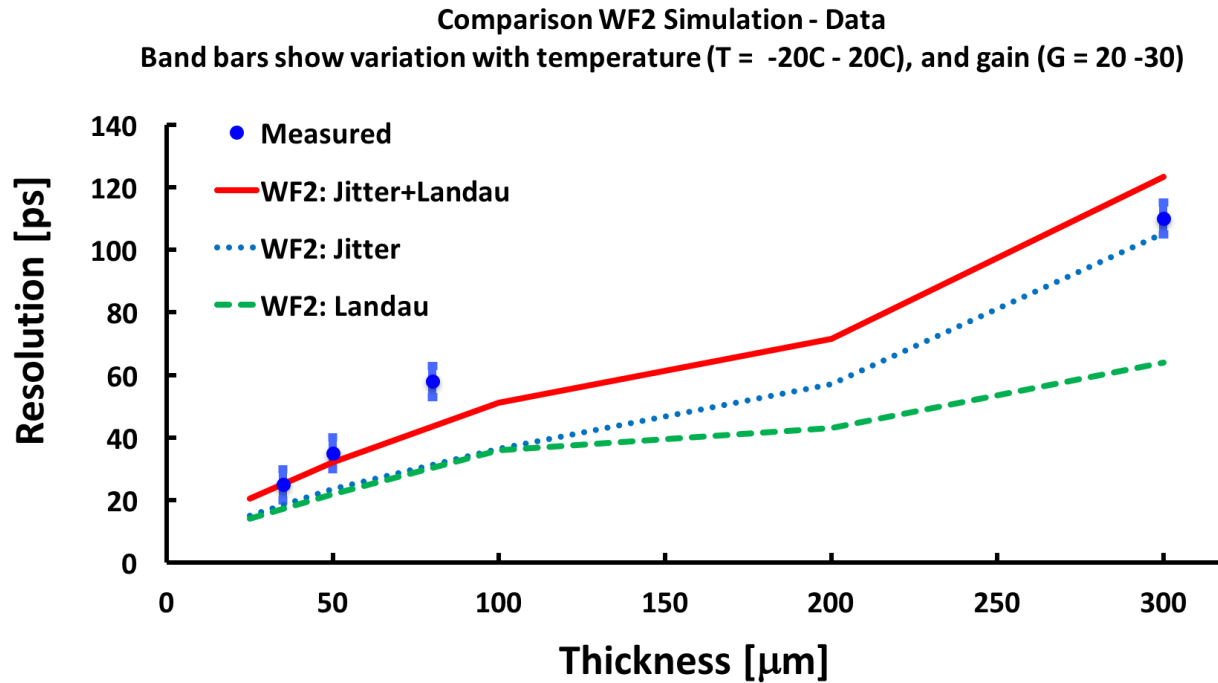
LGAD: Low Gain, what does it mean?



The time resolution is determined by charge non-uniformity

The working point is determined by the interplay with the electronics

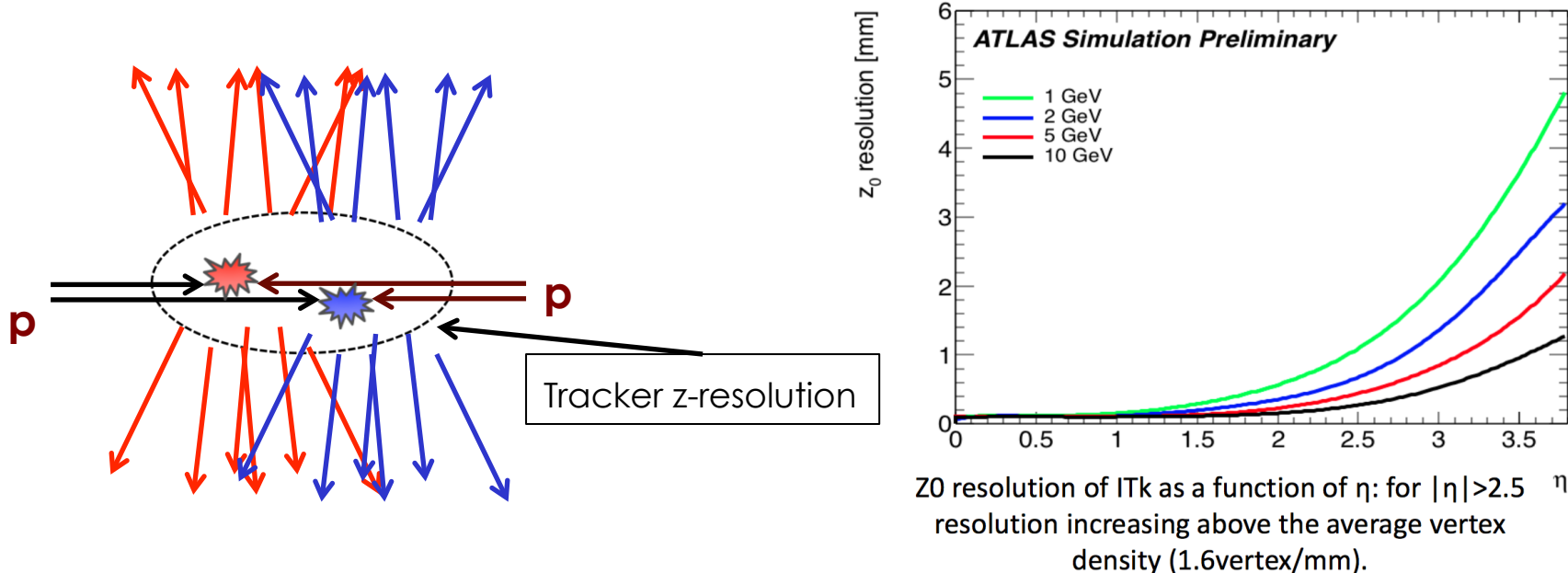
UFSD performances



Thin sensors provide better resolution and better radiation performances.

Timing layers: the metric of the problem at HL-LHC

The problem arises when the tracking detector resolution along the z-axis is longer than the distance between vertices.

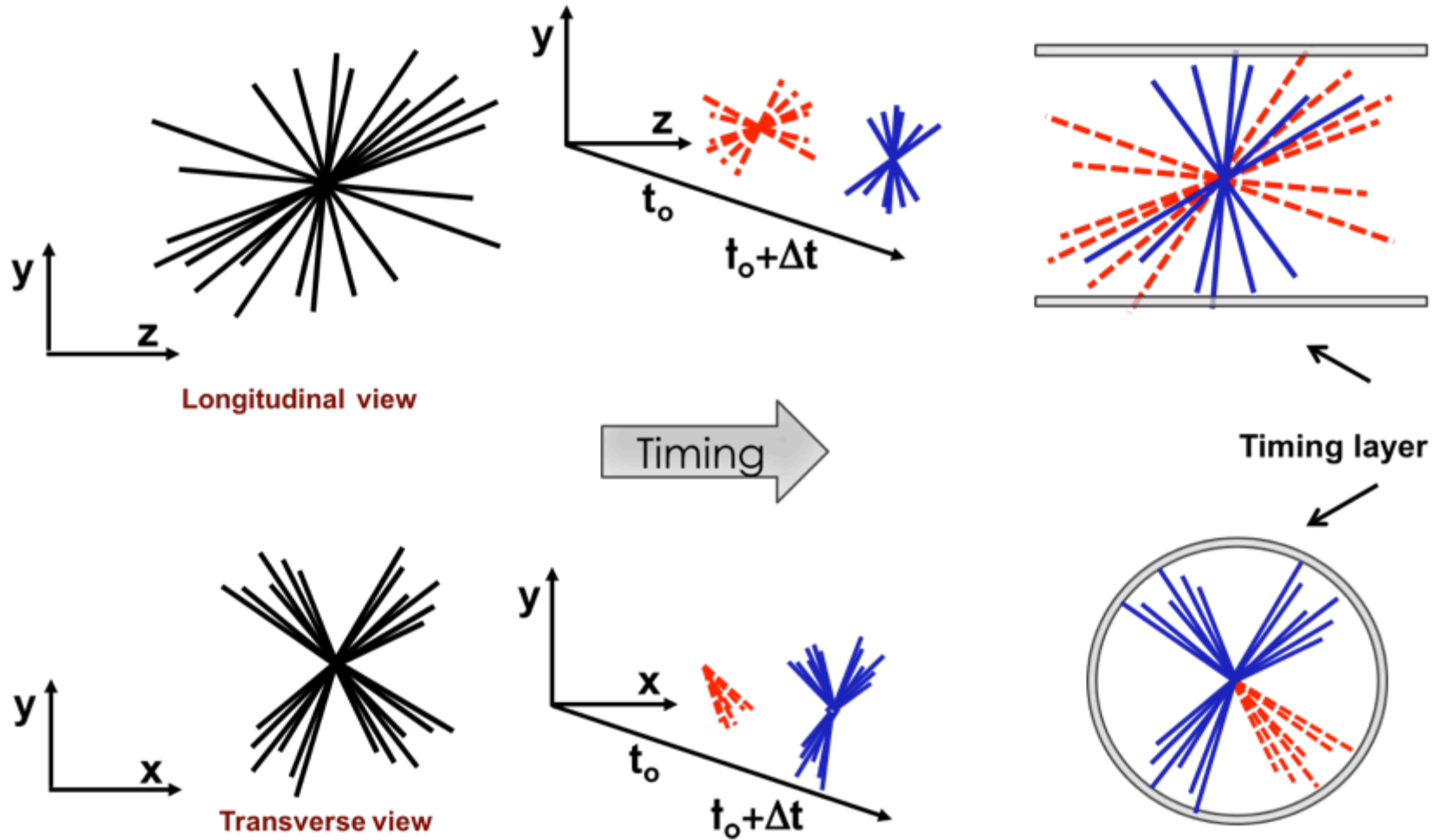


Track-to-vertex association is ambiguous when the tracking z-resolution is larger than the separation between vertices

For ATLAS & CMS the target resolution is ~ 30-40 ps

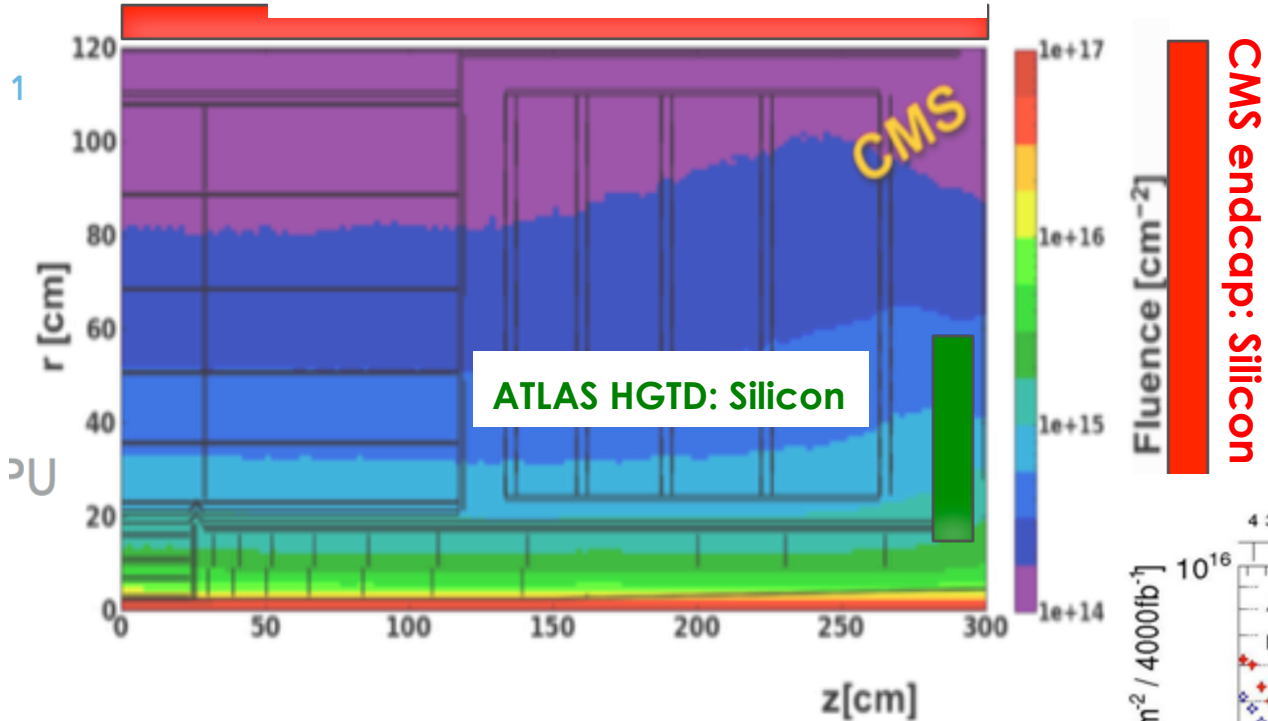
Timing layers: how they work

Timing layers provide a measurement of the time of a track
(most likely they won't have a key role in tracking)



Technologies and Radiation levels

CMS barrel: SiPM+Scintillator tiles



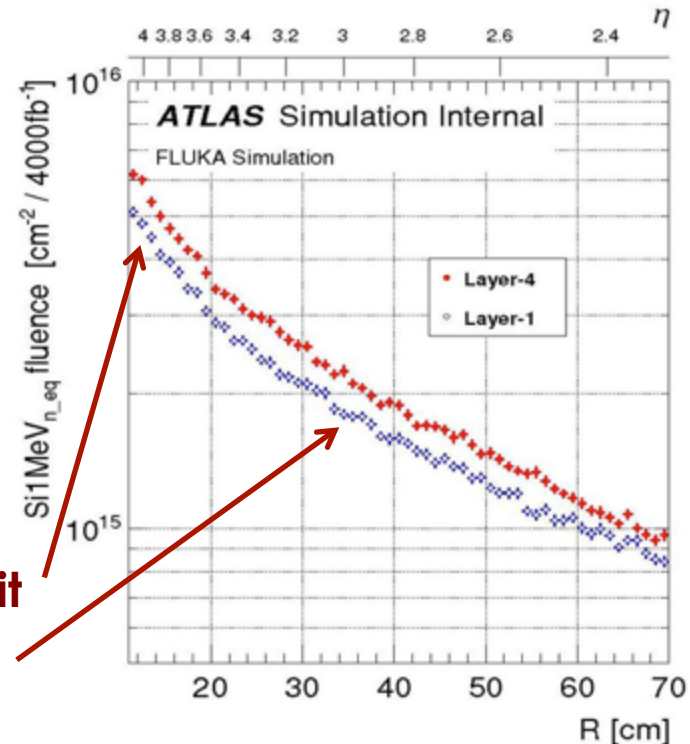
Limits (with x2 safety margin):

ATLAS: $\sim 9e15$ n/cm²

➔ Replace inner layer after $4.5e15$ n/cm²

CMS $\sim 3e15$ n/cm²

CMS \sim ATLAS, Almost the same number...

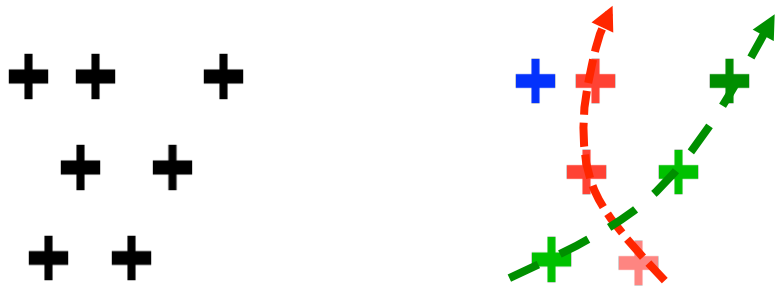


ATLAS limit

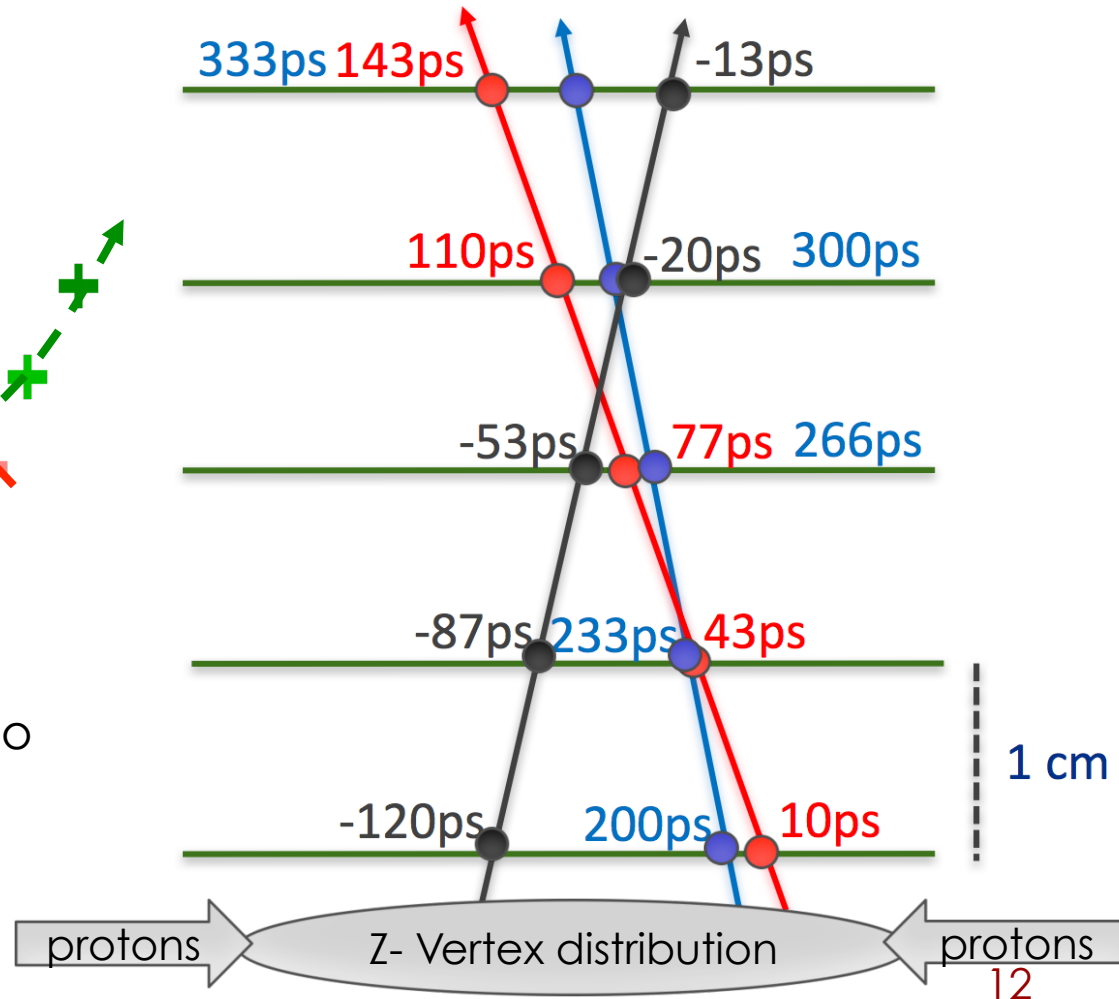
CMS limit

4D tracking: 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”

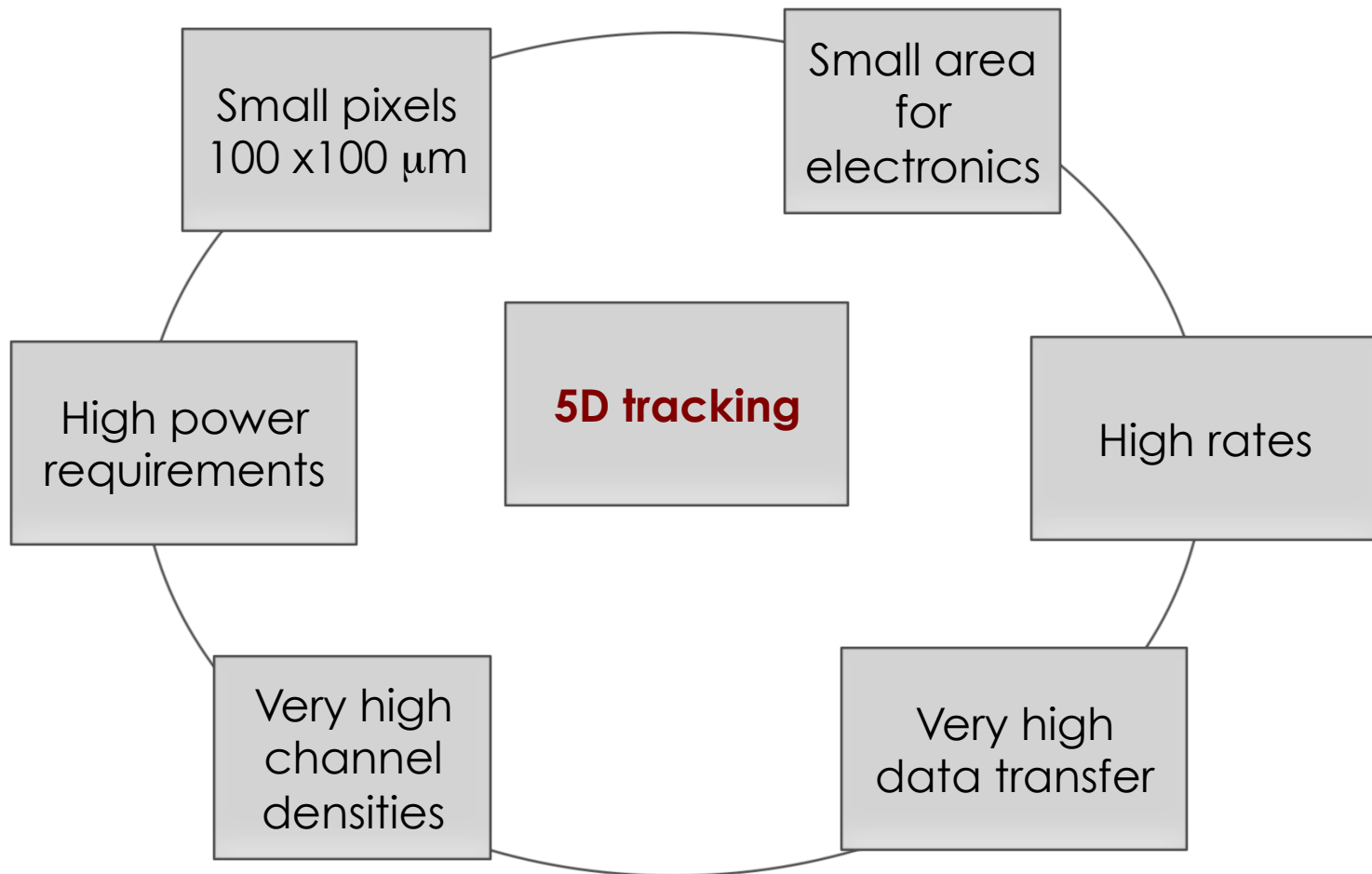


Present hypothetical LHCb Velo upgrade precision: $\sim 100\text{ps}$



5D-tracking: space-time at high rate

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

1) Can we produce a sensor with small pixel and high fill factor?

What is the "right sensor for the job?"

2) Can we fit the electronics?

→ the preamplifier does not scale with the technological node,

→ memory and TDC do.

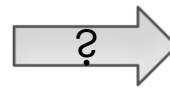
Example: TDC evolution



130 nm:
70 x 150 micron



65 nm:
40 x 60 micron



28 nm:
~20 x 30 micron

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

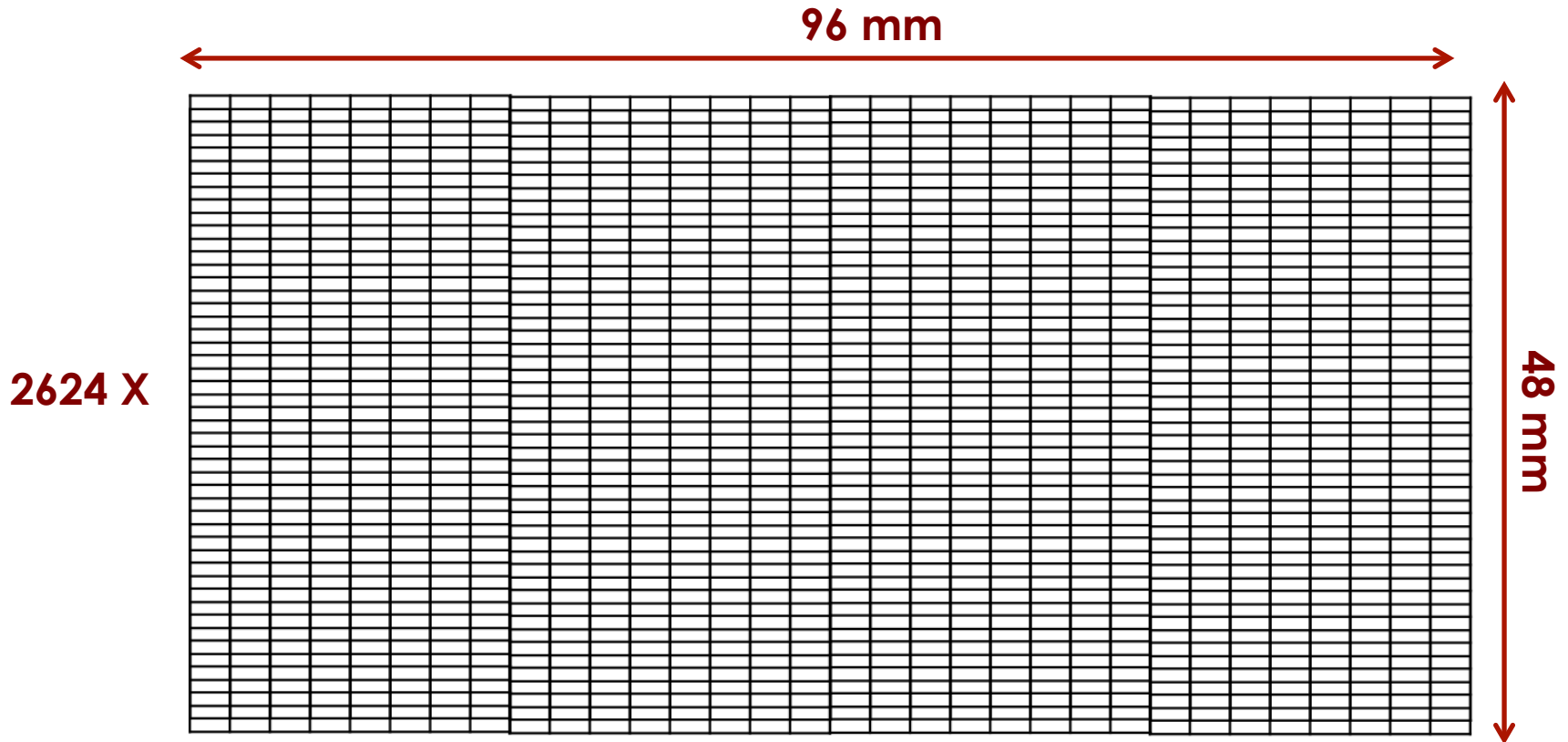
Real-time tracking requires the development of specific 4D tracking algorithms.

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

CMS Sensors

Final Goal:

- CMS needs to produce 2624 sensors; each sensor is $48 \times 96 \text{ mm}^2$, it has 1536 pads,
- Each pad is $1 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$

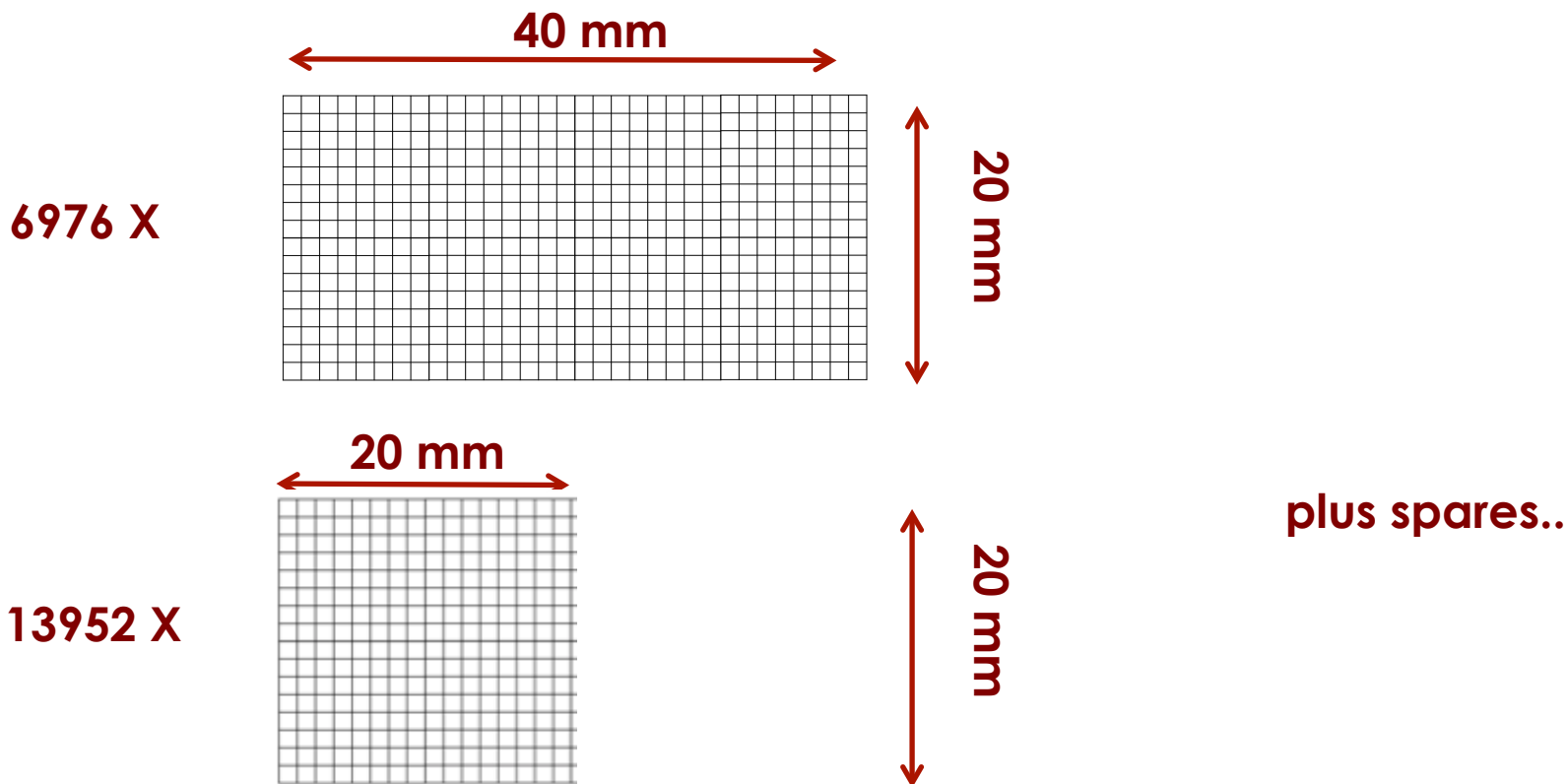


plus spares..

ATLAS Sensors

Final Goal:

- ATLAS needs to produce, assuming 2 layers, 13952 sensors 2x2 cm² (240 pads) or 6976 sensors 2x4 cm² (480 pads)
- each pad is 1.3 x 1.3 mm²



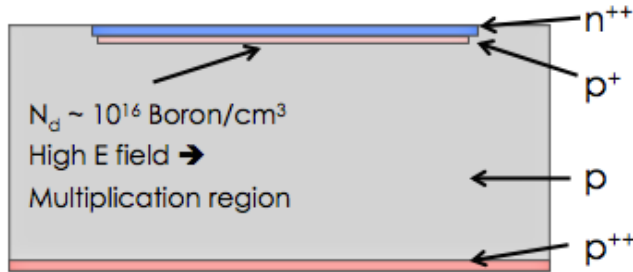
ATLAS-CMS path to construction

Key topics to be addressed:

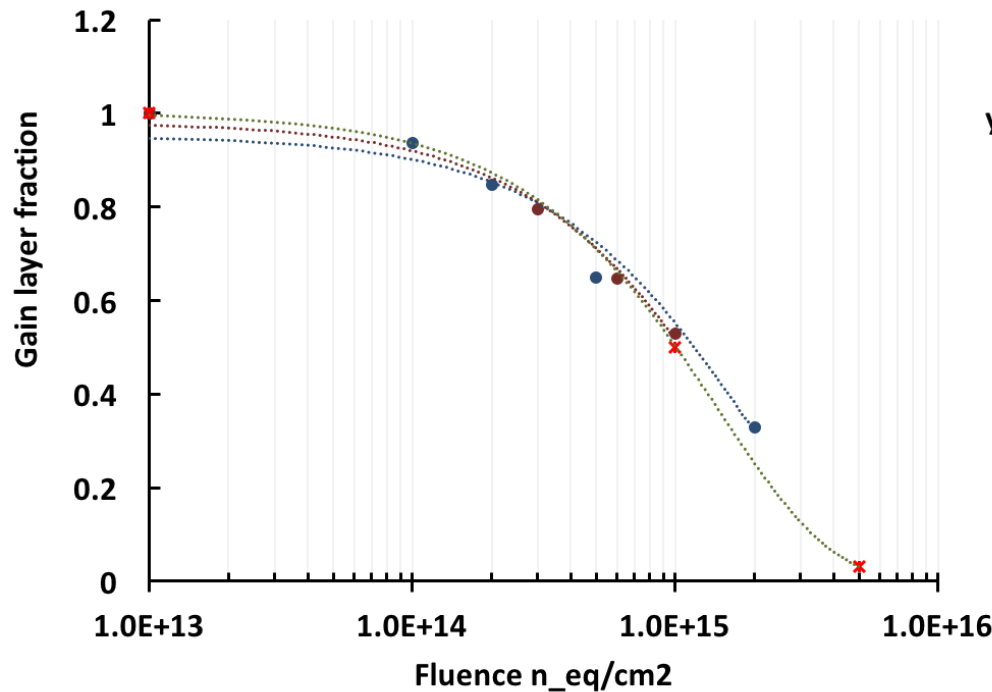
1. **Radiation hardness:** time resolution and operating conditions
 - Spoiler: the situation looks reasonable
2. **Highest possible fill factor:** dead area between pads
3. **Multi pad sensors:** pad isolation, breakdown voltage
4. **Large area:** yield, cost
5. **~ 30 ps time resolution at the end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

Radiation resistance

Radiation changes the doping level of the device, so it changes the way the devices work



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



$$y = 9.5E-01e^{-5.5E-16x} \quad \bullet \text{ CNM B - Vrm}$$

$$y = 9.8E-01e^{-6.4E-16x} \quad \bullet \text{ HPK B 50D - CV}$$

$$y = 1.0E+00e^{-6.9E-16x} \quad \times \text{ CNM GA - W9}$$

c (B) ~ 5-6

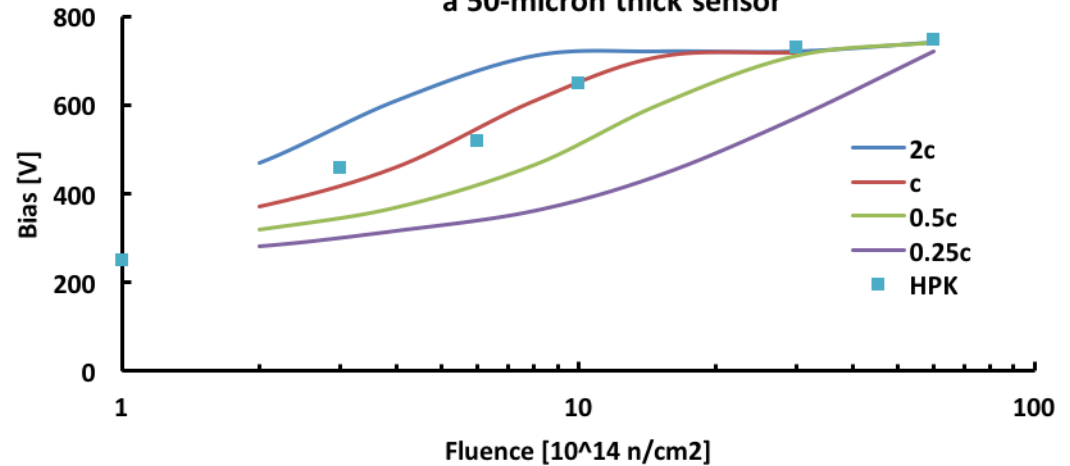
C (Ga) ~ 7

See V.Sola for update

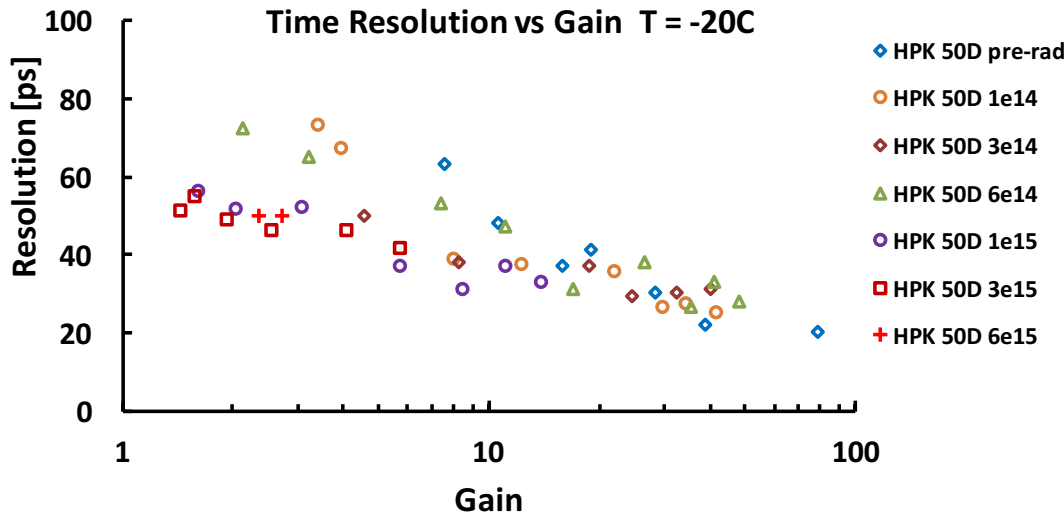
Consequences of radiation damage

Increase bias to compensate doping loss

WF2 simulation and HPK data: voltage to achieve gain = 10 in a 50-micron thick sensor



HPK 50-micron sensors 50D & 50C
Time Resolution vs Gain T = -20C

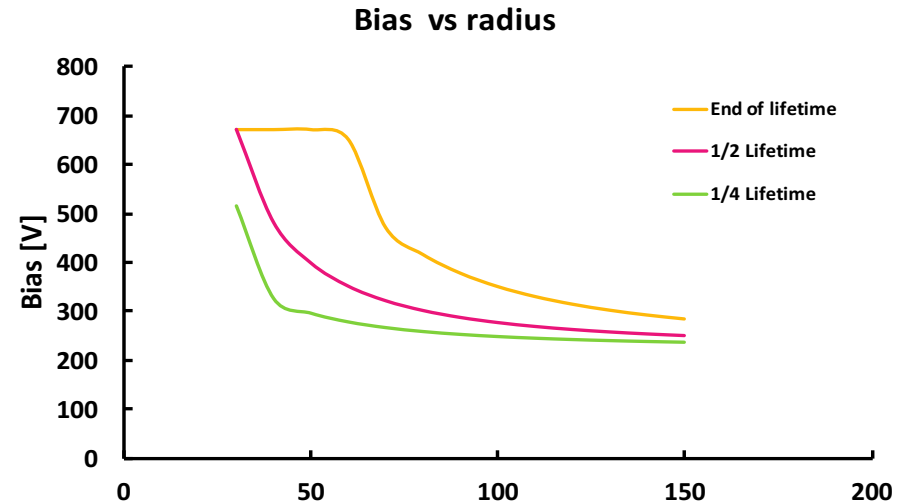
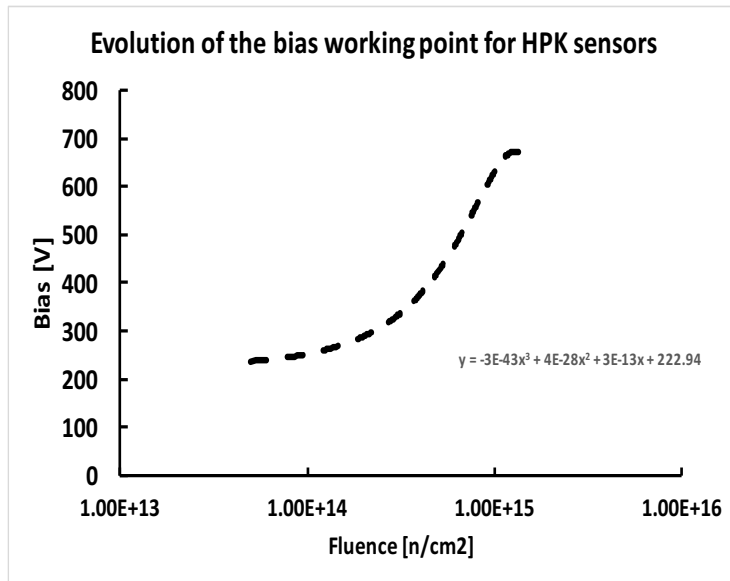


Good time resolution up to 3(6)e15 n/cm²

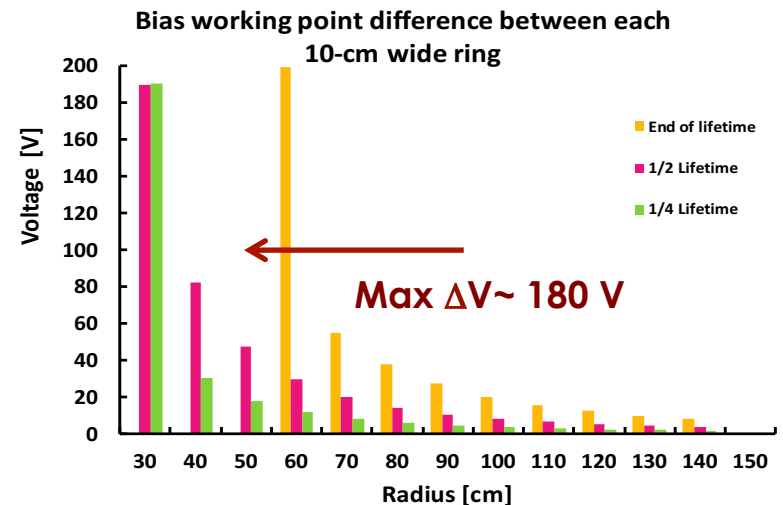
Radiation hardness: operating conditions

To keep the gain ~ constant (to keep the time resolution high) → increase V_{bias}

Operating conditions should be adjusted as a function of fluence



→ the ideal biasing point differs by ~ 180V at the two side of a 10-cm long detector.

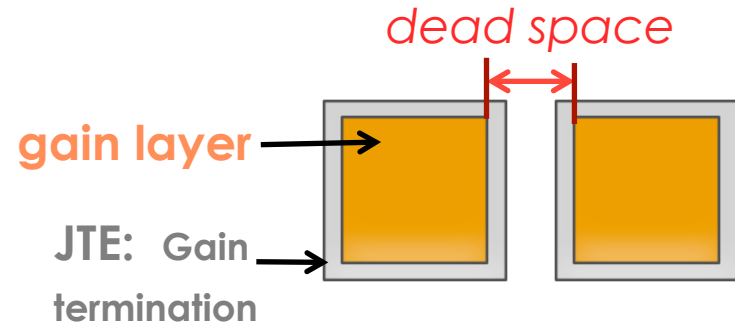


Highest possible fill factor

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 (CMS) have only one layers

Goal: 30 micron gap = 96% fill factor

Currently under study, looks possible...

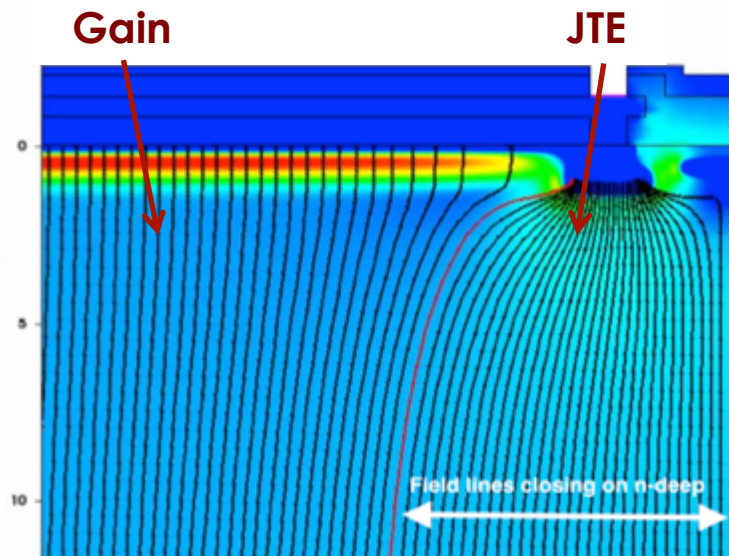
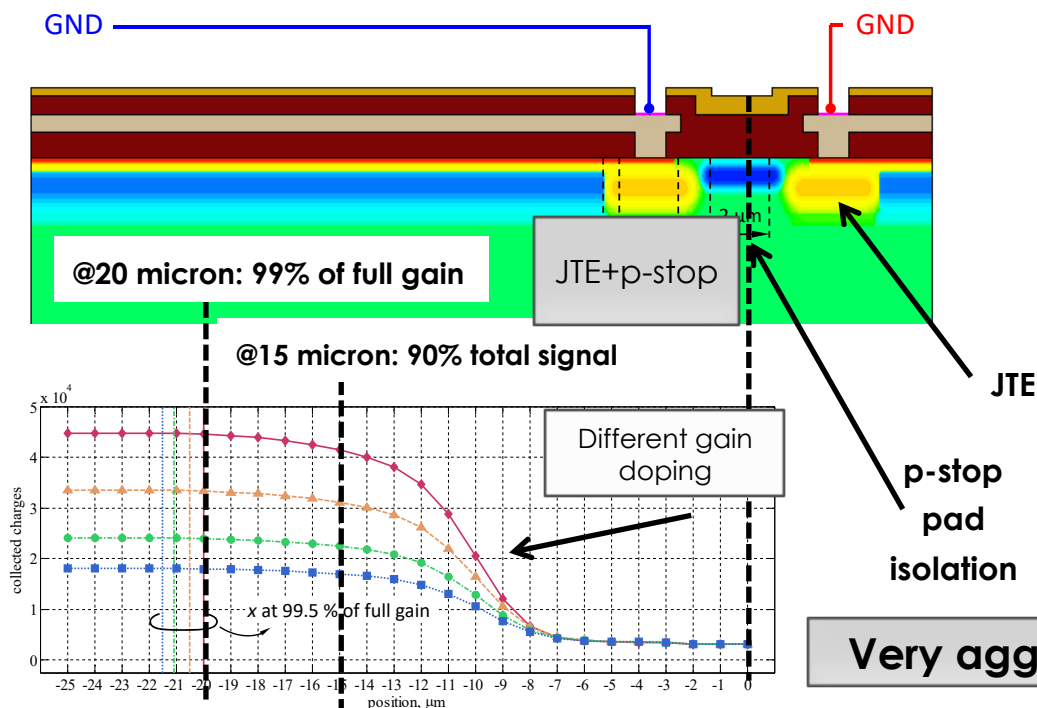
Reduction of gap between pads

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**



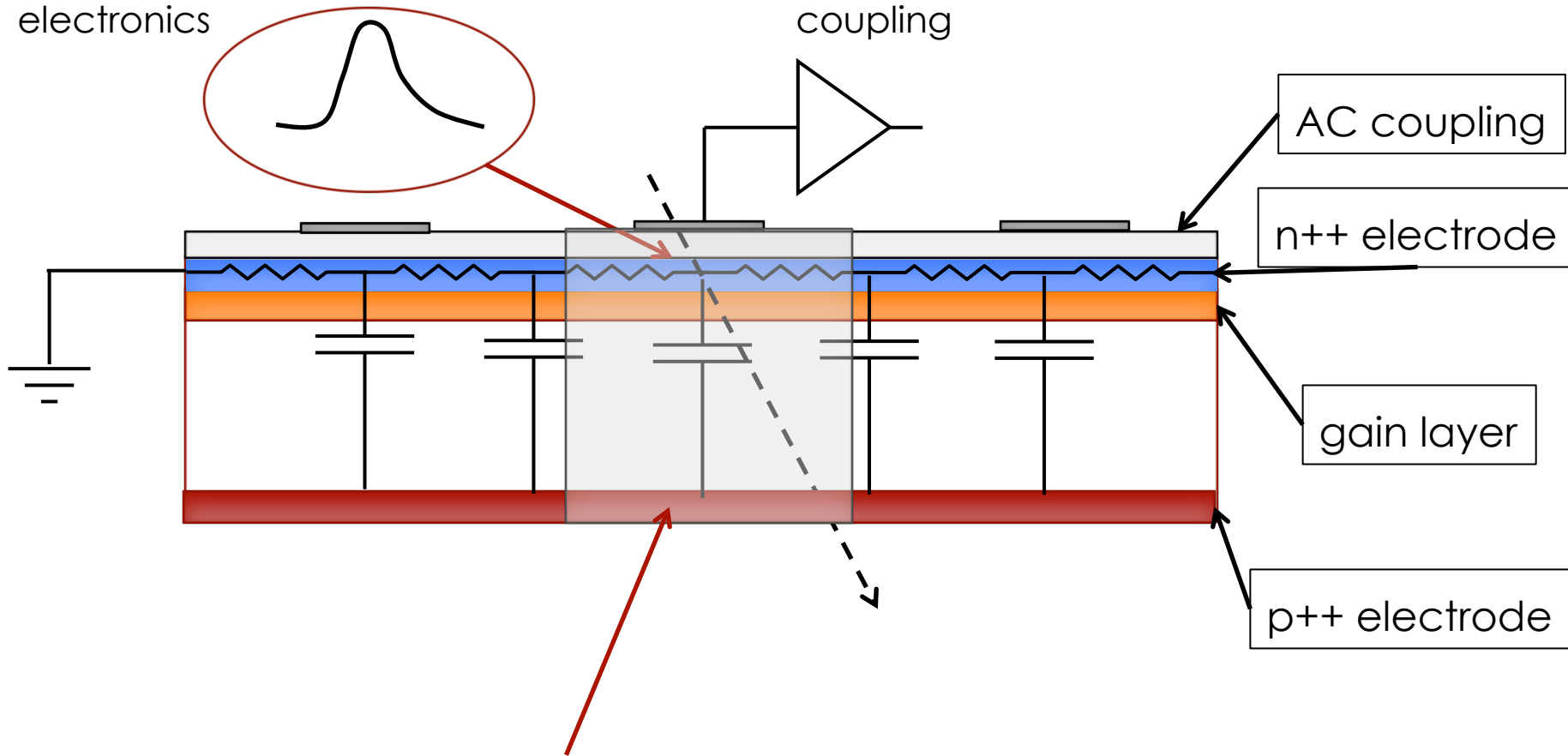
Very aggressive design: <10 micron per side

100% fill factor: AC-UFSD

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

→ E and E_w fields are very regular

→ Segmentation is achieved via AC coupling



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

small capacitance and small leakage current.

3D sensors for timing applications

3D sensors enjoy good performance even at fluences $\phi \sim 10^{16}$ n/cm²

Can they be used in 4D-tracking?

Can diamond 3D work?

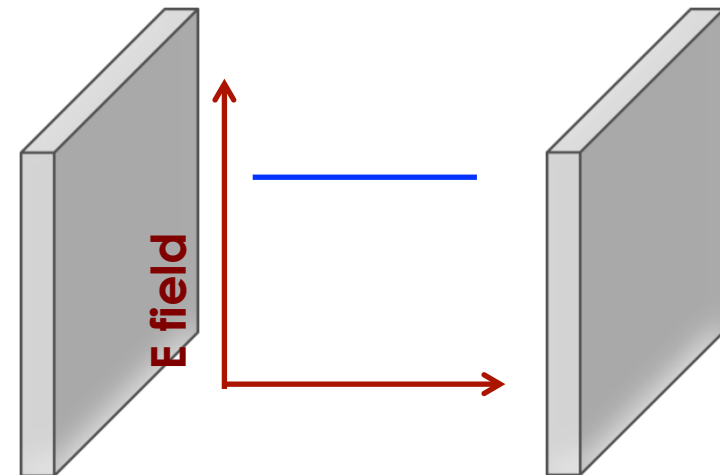
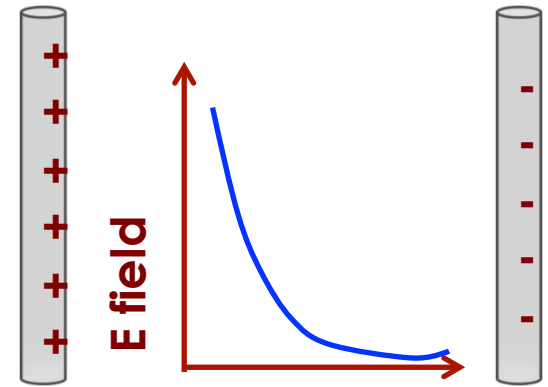
In their “column” geometry, they cannot, the Efield is not uniform enough

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

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

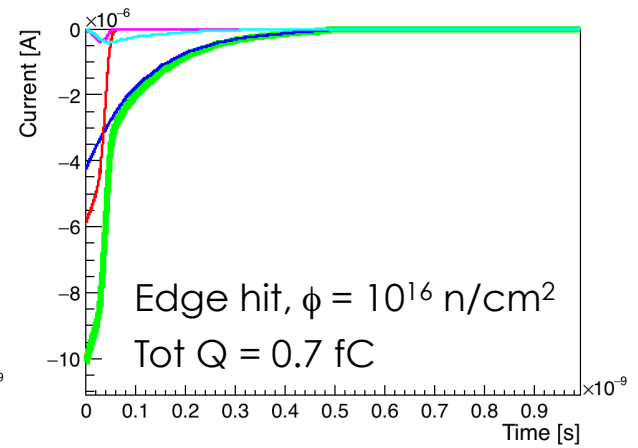
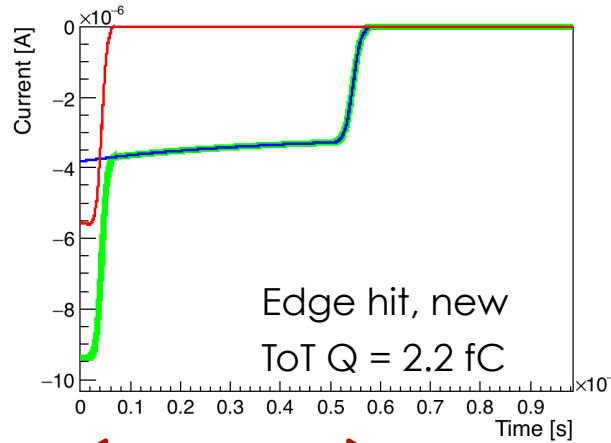
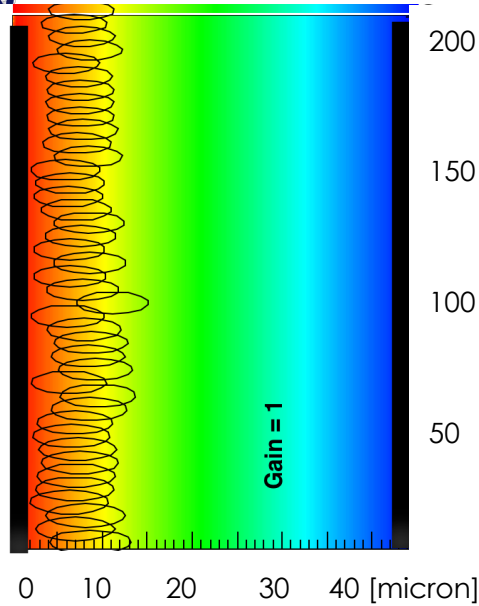
Challenges:

- Position dependent current shape
- Strong signal reduction with irradiation

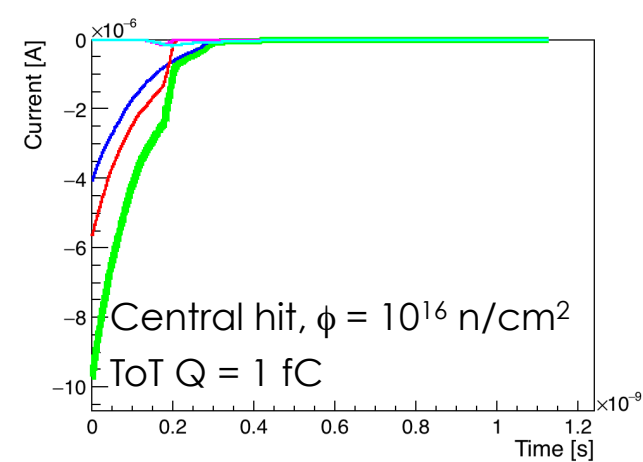
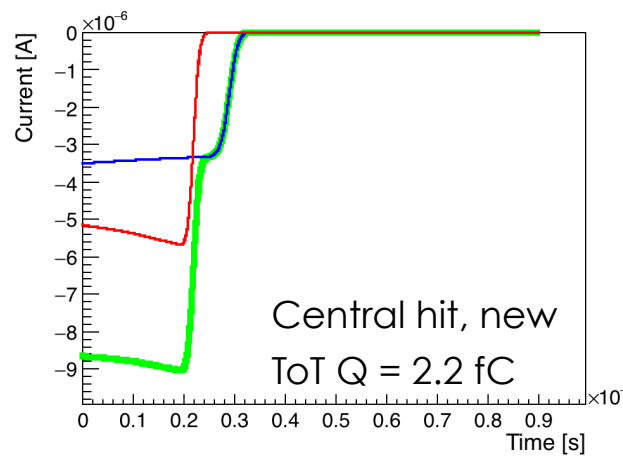
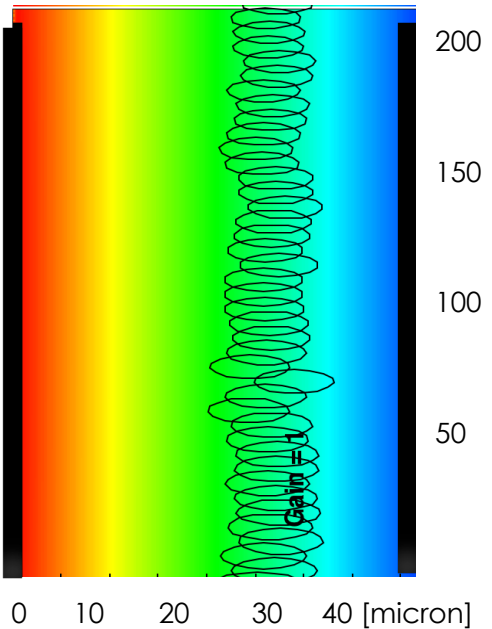


Pulse shape in 3D – trench detectors

Assume: 3D silicon, 50 micron separation, 200 micron thick



↔
Different signal length
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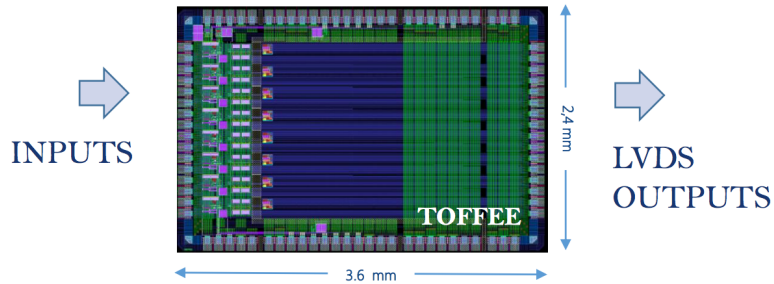
Very challenging, similar to UFSD @ $\phi = 5 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ n/cm}^2$

Two examples of UFSD and read-out chips

Single pad + TOFFEE

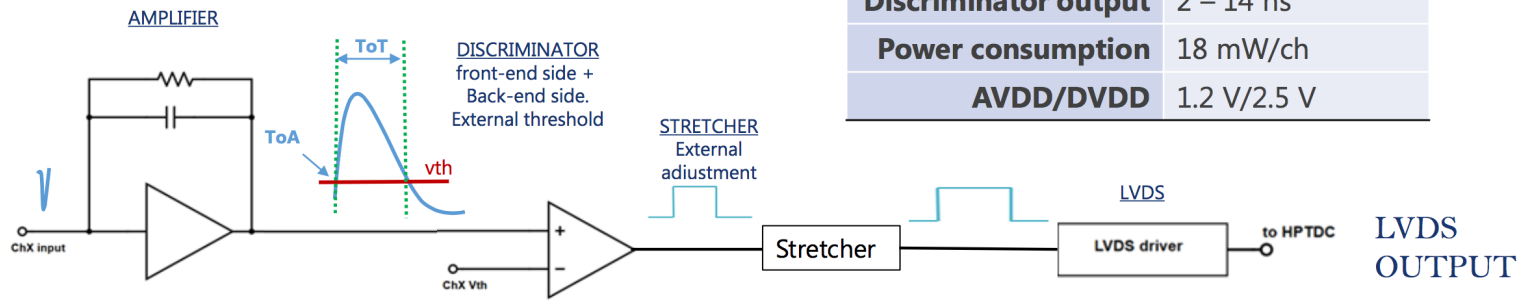
Multipad + TDCPix

TOFFEE: a chip for timing applications



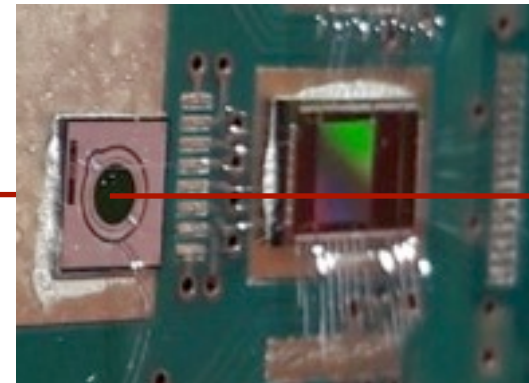
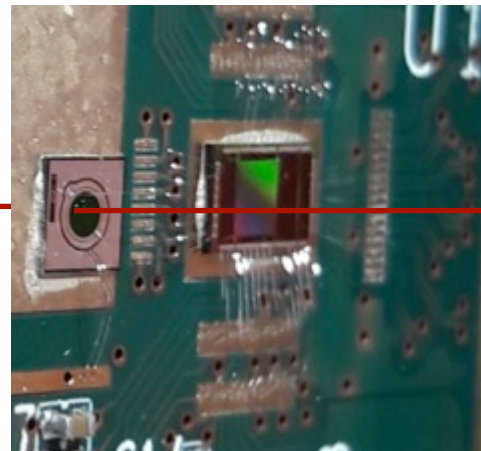
Technology	CMOS 110 nm
Channels	8
Sensor capacitance	2-10 pF
Input dynamic range	3 fC – 60 fC
Analog gain	7 mV/fC
GBW	14 GHz
RMS noise (C=6pF)	800 μ V
Discriminator output	2 – 14 ns
Power consumption	18 mW/ch
AVDD/DVDD	1.2 V/2.5 V

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

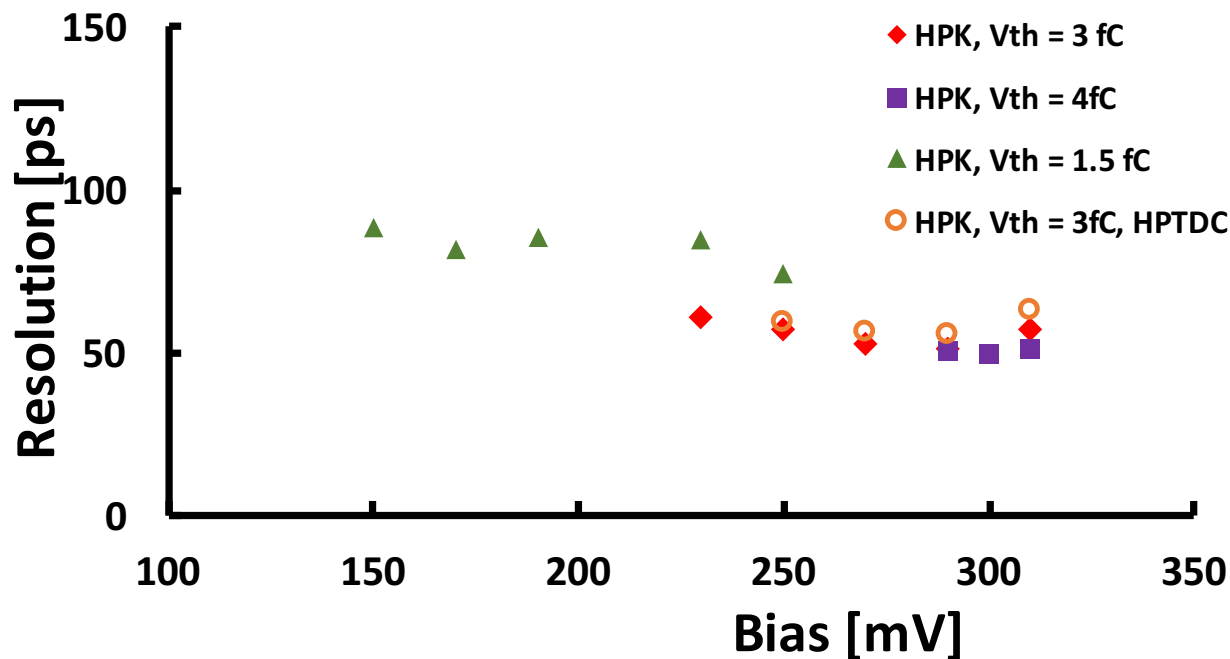


TOFFEE: beam test results

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

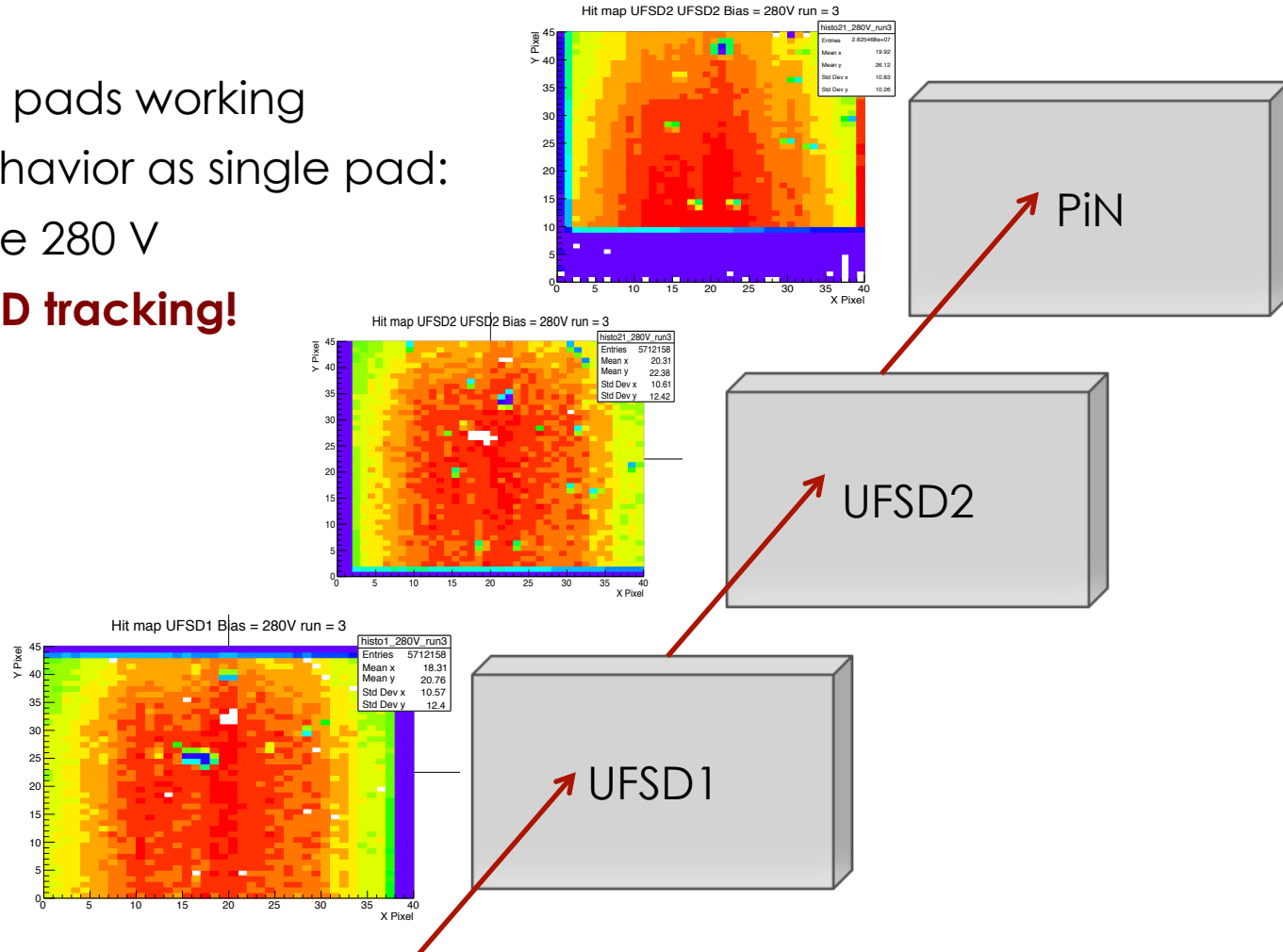


Multi-pad sensors: TDCpix & FBK-UFSD

Bump-bonded NA62 TDCpix ROC to FBK-UFSD sensor

NA62 ROC: 40x45 pads, each 300x300 μm^2 (1800 pads)

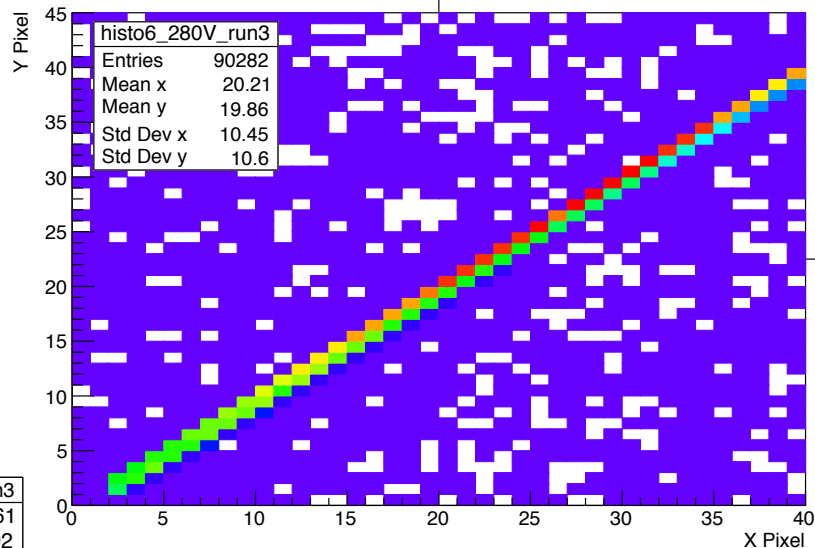
- More than 99% of pads working
- Same voltage behavior as single pad:
breakdown above 280 V
- **First example of 4D tracking!**



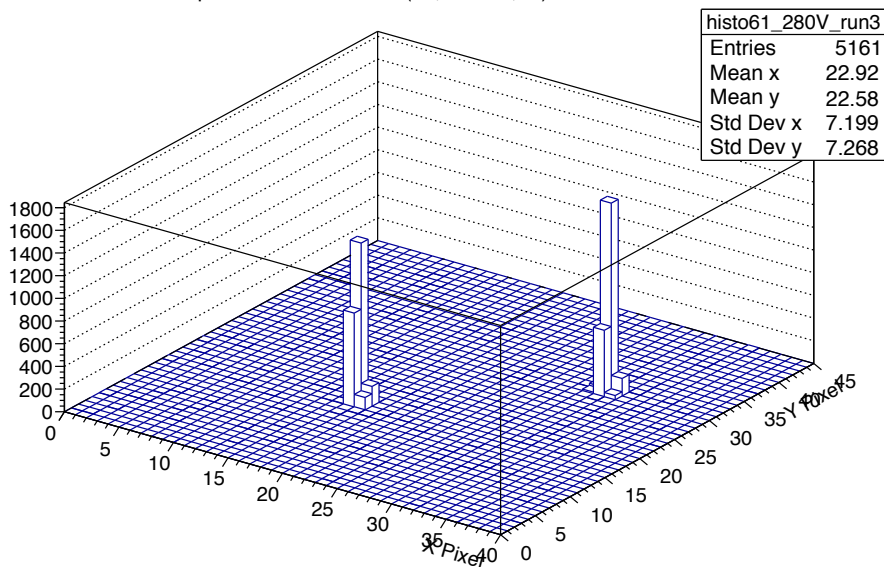
TDCPix & UFSD

Hit map on UFSD2 requiring $x=y$
on UFSD1

Hit Map UFSD2 with UFSD1(x == y) Bias = 280V run = 3



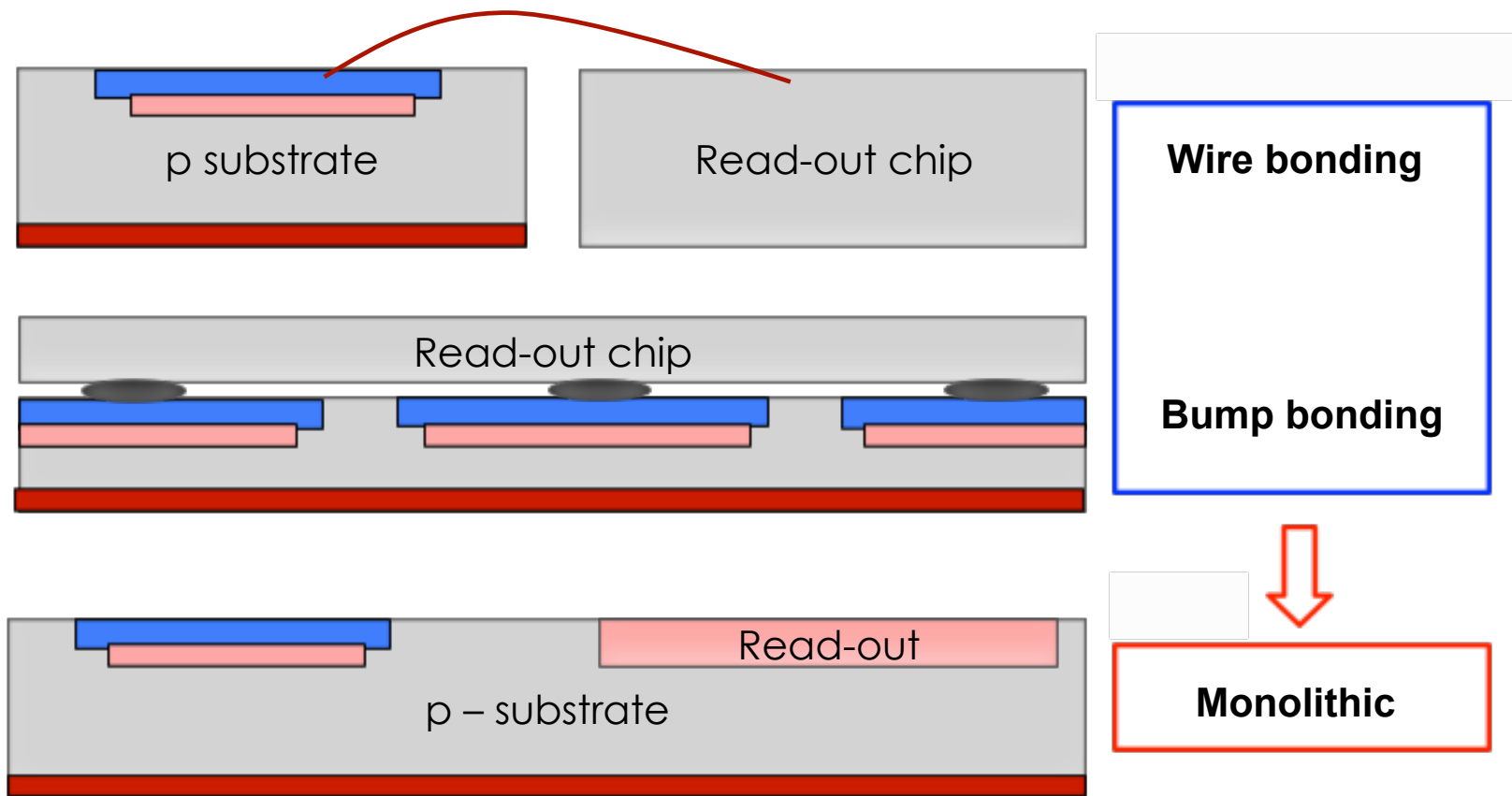
Hit Map UFSD2 with UFSD1(14,14 || 28,28) Bias = 280V run = 3



Hit map on UFSD2 requiring
 $x=y=14$ || $x=y=28$
on UFSD1

We see sharp and clear correlations, no cross talk at the sensor level

R&D: Can we use Monolithic technology?



Summary and outlook

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





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CMS timing layer

The CMS hermetic timing layer provides a diffuse improvement in many quantities, that allows higher analysis efficiencies.

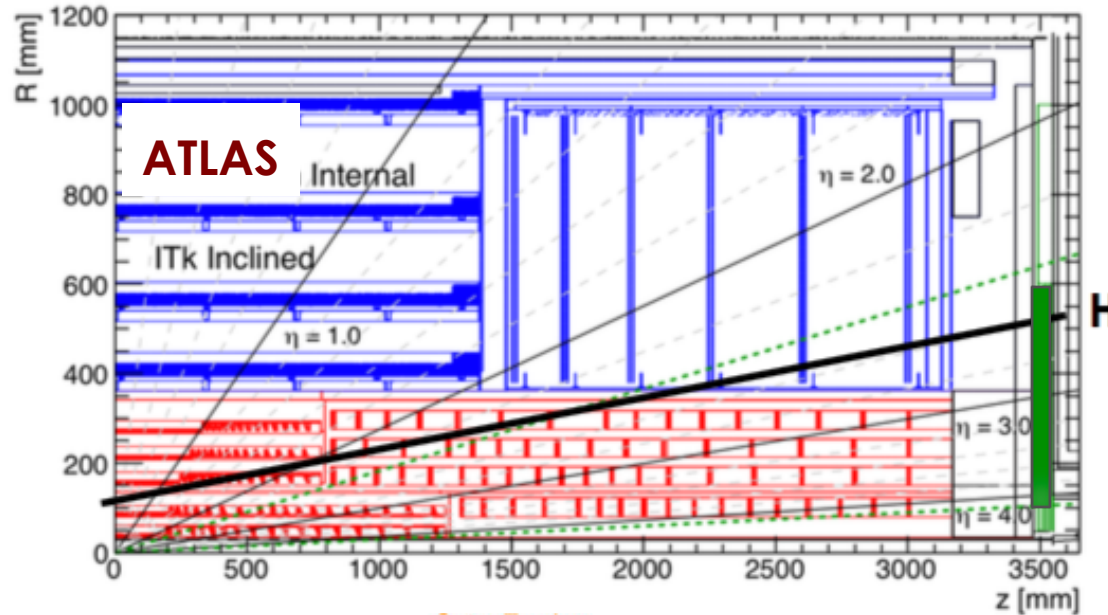
- **Lepton isolation:** 60% improvement in background rejection for constant signal efficiency
- **B-tagging:** reduction of spurious secondary vertexes and decrease mis-identification
 - di-Higgs acceptance increases by ~ 20% (mostly barrel)
- **Pile-up jet:** 20% (barrel), 40% (endcap)
 - MET tails reduced by 40% for MET > 150 GeV
- **Long lived particles:** possible only with hermetic timing layer

Sum of all effects:

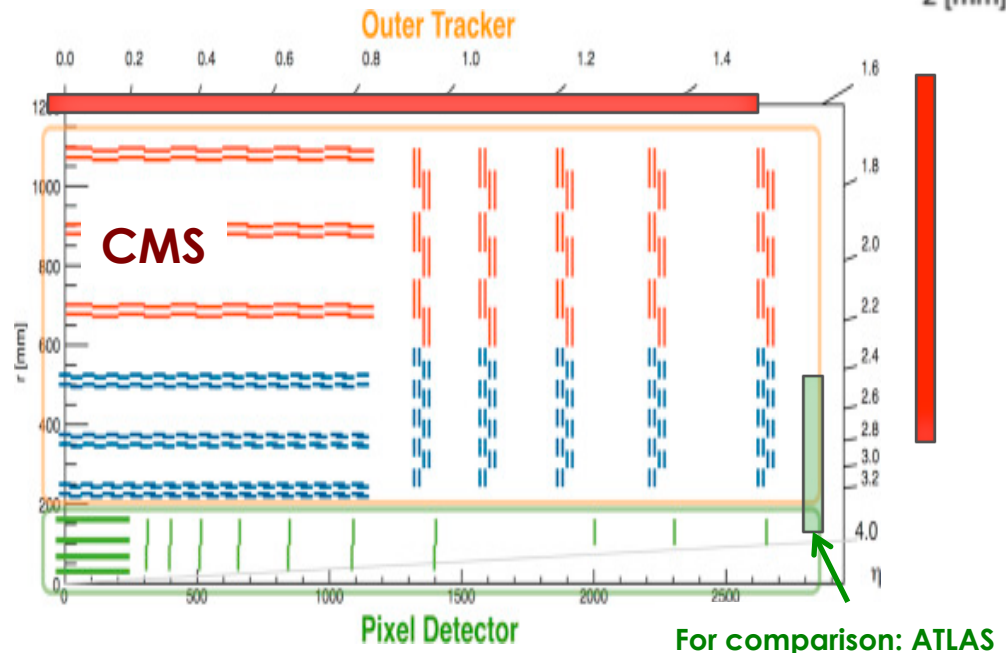
Equivalent to an additional 2-3 years of HL-LHC running

Timing layers: ATLAS and CMS

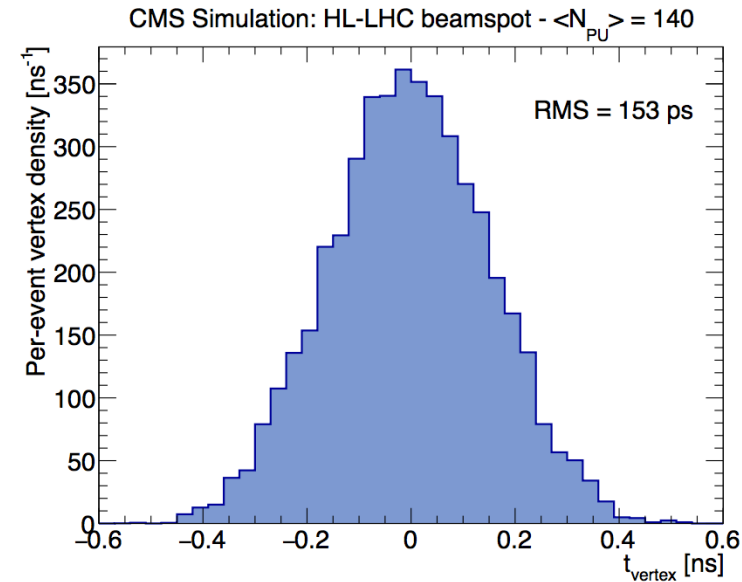
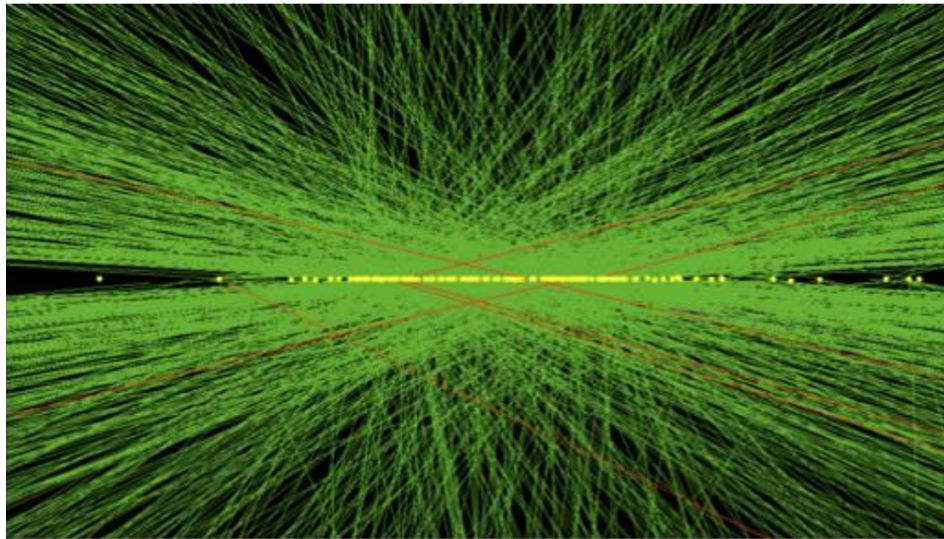
ATLAS instruments the forward region,
coverage: $2.4 < \eta < 4$



CMS instruments the central part:
coverage: $0 < \eta < 3$
(MTD: Mip Timing Detector)



Vertexes in space and time in CMS & ATLAS



There are between 15-20% of tracking vertexes (longitudinal resolution ~ 200 micron) that are actually composed by 2 or more interaction

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