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Projects - Devices - Technology



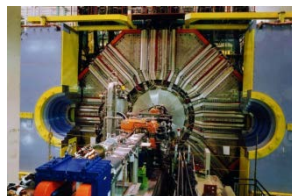
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MAGIC, CTA



XFEL, FLASH, LCLS



Belle II

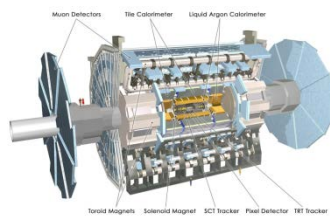
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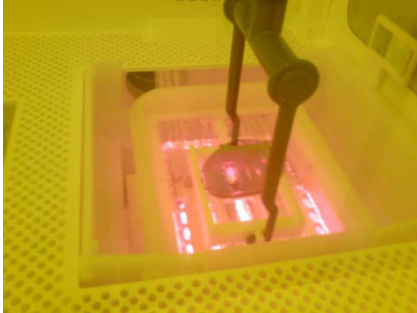


ATLAS

Inside HLL – Sensor Development and Fabrication



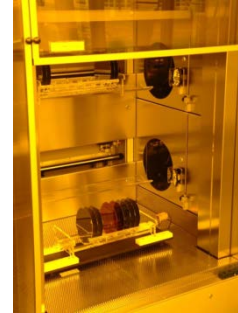
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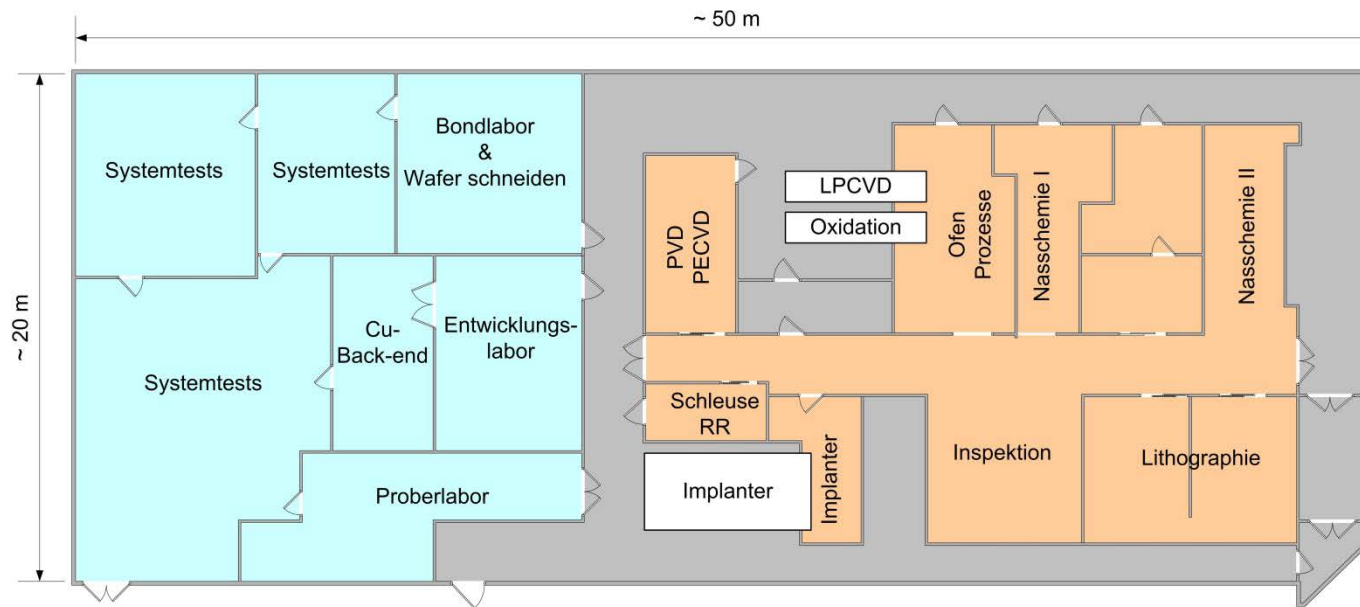
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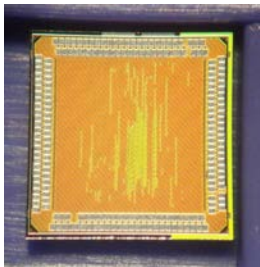


MPI HLL is the only lab worldwide doing fully depleted silicon radiation sensors with integrated electronics

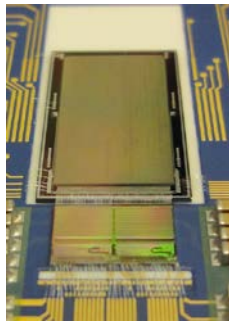
● Inside HLL – ASIC and System Design&Test

ASIC	Filter	Filter architecture	pnCCD	DEPFET Source follower	DEPFET Drain r/o
VELA ¹	Trapezoidal	unipolar, single-ended, two stages			✓
ASTEROID ¹	Trapezoidal	unipolar, single-ended, two stages		✓	
VERITAS 1.0	Trapezoidal	unipolar, single-ended, two stages	✓	✓	
VERITAS 2.0	Trapezoidal	bipolar, fully differential, single stage	✓	✓	✓
DCE3	Data Clustering Engine, digital chip, TSMC 65nm, novel real time clustering → Belle II System				

¹In collaboration with Politecnico di Milano



DCE3



pnCCD with
Veritas read-out



at HLL:

- sensor design and fabrication
- r/o ASIC development
- interconnection
- system/camera design and test

● HLL inside – (simplified) project overview



	Passive Pixels	Active Pixels DEPFETs	pnCCD	SiPM Simpl
MPP	ATLAS upgrade ²	Belle II - PXD ³ ILC - VXD ²		MAGIC, CTA ^{1/2} ILC calorimetry ^{1/2} CLIC tracking ^{1/2}
MPE		BepiColombo ⁴ SVOM ¹ XTP-Gravitas ¹ ATHENA ¹	eRosita ⁴	
CFEL/ASG/(MPE) MPSD		XFEL-DSSC ³ lowE e- detectors ¹	CAMP ⁵ → LAMP	

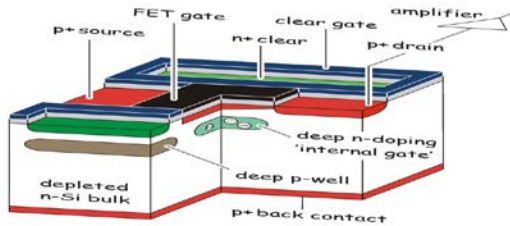
¹ proposal phase, ² R&D, sensor and system, ³ sensor production phase, ⁴ system assembly and calibration

⁵ system in operation, improved version of CAMP (→ LAMP) planned

Common requirements for present-day and future detector systems:

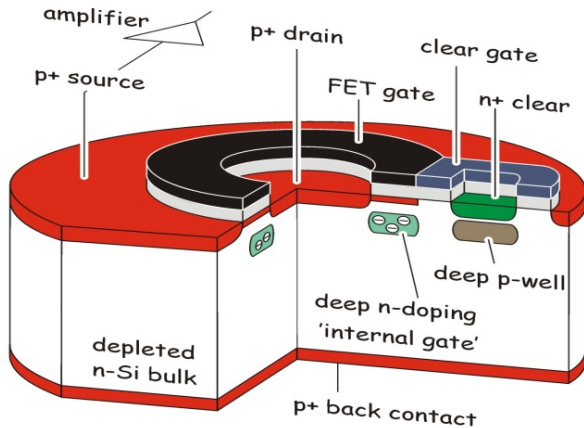
- high S/N** → sensor integrated first amplification stage (DEPFETs, first-FET in pnCCDs)
 - thin** → sensors on SOI wafers (Belle II, ILC, lowE e- detectors, ATLAS upgrade, Simpl)
 - fast r/o**
 - “intelligent”**
 - compact**
- } → new sensor/ASIC interconnection techniques, (ATLAS, XFEL-DSSC, Belle II..)

DEPFET Types and Applications



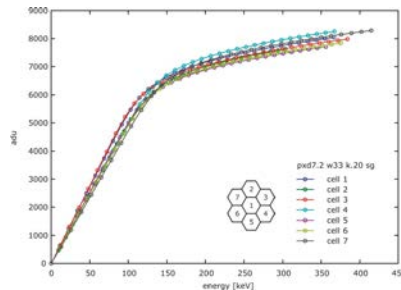
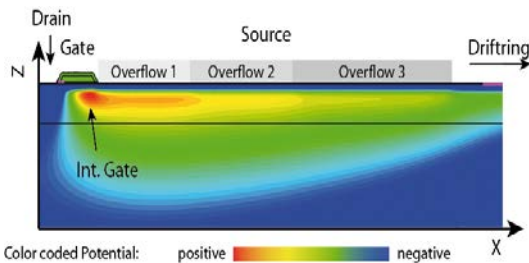
Particle tracking → vertex detector at **Belle II** and **ILC**

- pixel size: 20μm...75μm
- r/o time per row: 25ns-100ns
- Noise: ≈100 el ENC
- thin detectors: 50μm...75μm → still large signal: 40nA/μm for mip



X-ray imaging spectroscopy → **X-ray satellite missions**

- pixel size: 100μm, with SDD around 100s of μm
- r/o time per row: 2.5 μs
- Noise: ≈4 el ENC
- fully depleted thick detectors better → large QE for higher E

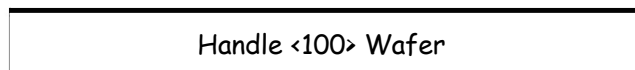


High Dynamic range: **XFEL-DSSC**

- DEPFET → DSSC
- **DEPFET** Sensor with **S**ignal **C**ompression
- pixel size: ~200 μm

● Processing thin detectors - the SOI approach

a) oxidation and back side implant of top wafer

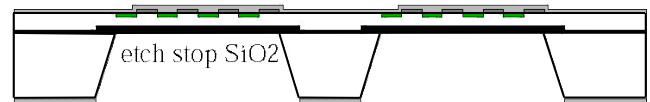


b) wafer bonding and grinding/polishing of top wafer

c) process → passivation



open backside passivation



d) anisotropic deep etching opens "windows" in handle wafer

The sensor thickness becomes a free parameter, adjustable to the needs of the experiment!

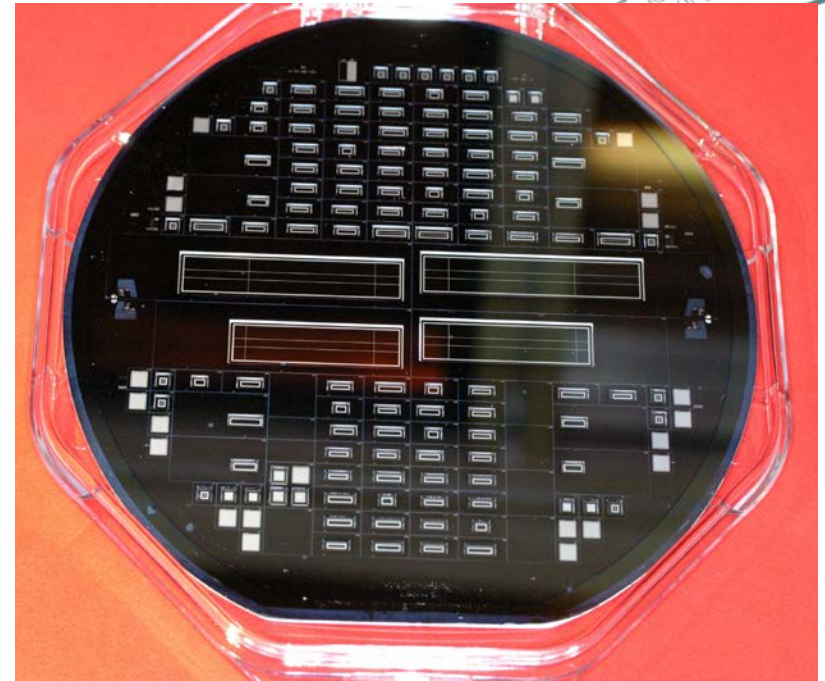
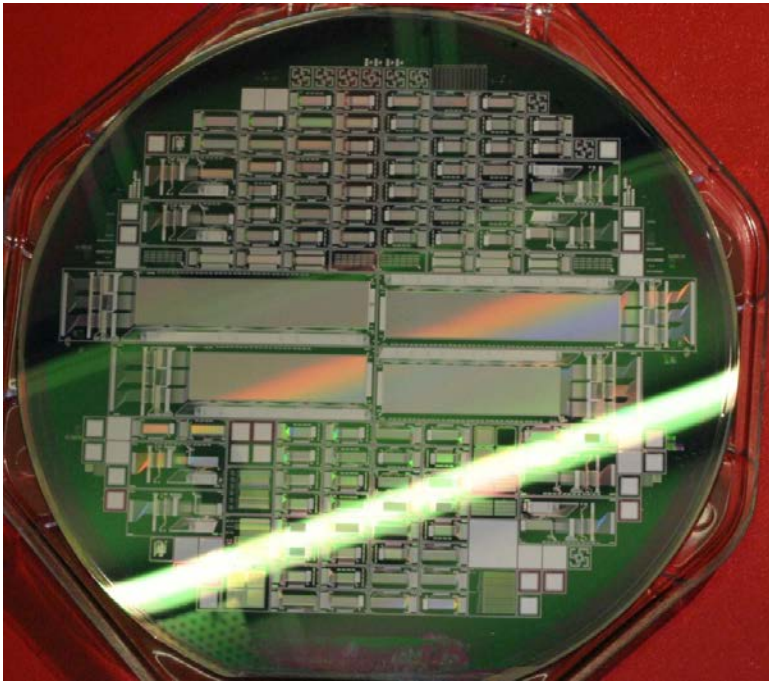
Key Process Modules:

- ▷ Wafer Bonding and thinning of top layer → Custom made SOI Wafers (thick top, buried implant, HiRes FZ Silicon...)
 - ↳ initial industrial partner Soitec (market leader for SOI wafer)
- ▷ Sensor fabrication on SOI
- ▷ Etching of the Handle Wafer
- ▷ Litho on extreme topographies

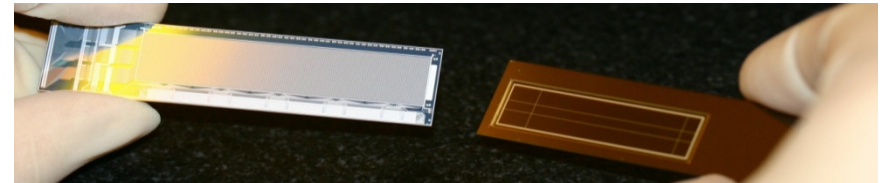
Developed for ILC VXD, the technology found its way into other projects:

- ▷ 50 μm thin **DEPFETs** for Belle II PXD (will be 75 μm)
- ▷ production of thin (75 and 150 μm) ATLAS **pixel sensors** upgrade
- ▷ first production of **Geiger-mode APDs** on 70 μm top layer

- PXD6: first thin DEPFETs on SOI



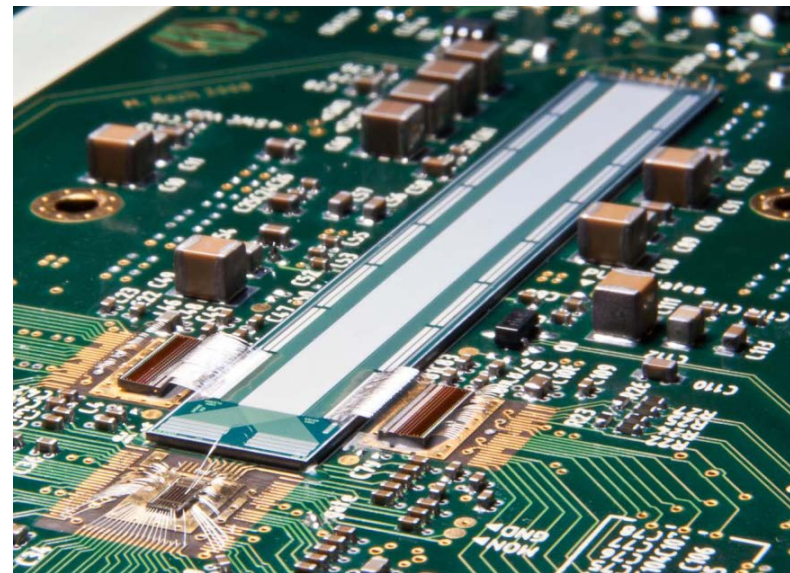
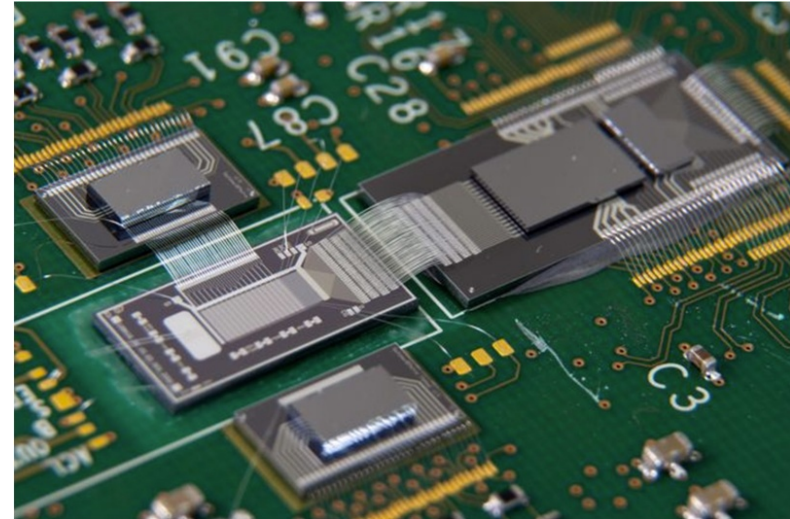
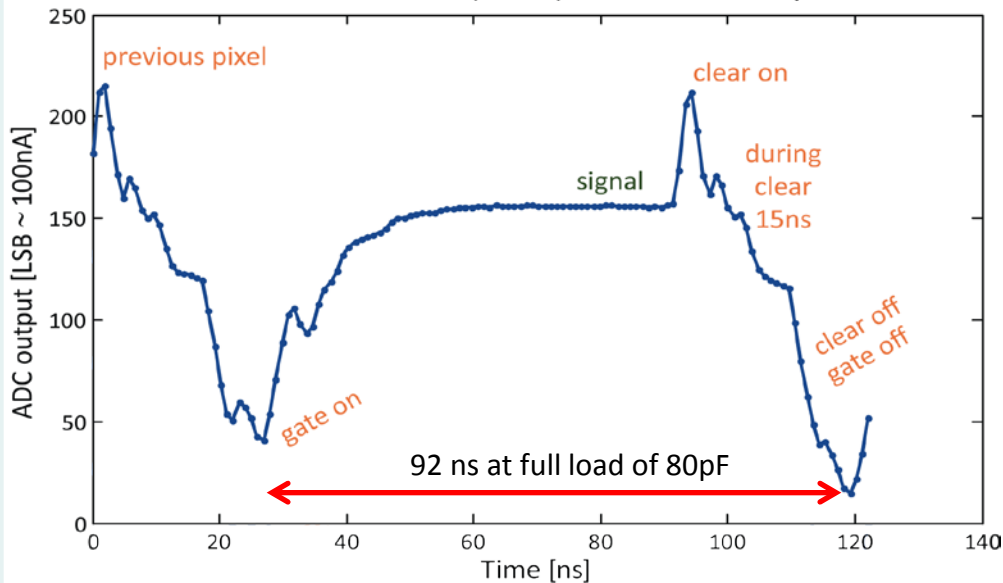
- ▷ 8 SOI wafers (50 μm top layer, 400 μm handle)
- ▷ 9 impl., 19 litho., 2 poly Si, 2 Al (... & 3rd metal Cu later)
 - ↳ 3m (SOI) + 16m (main process incl. thinning)
- ▷ About 100 test matrices in different variations
 - ↳ pixel sizes from 20 μm to 200 μm
 - ↳ shorter gate length, improved clear structures ...
 - ↳ various drift region and pixel designs ...
- ▷ 4 large half-ladders with the most promising options



● PXD6 testing in the lab

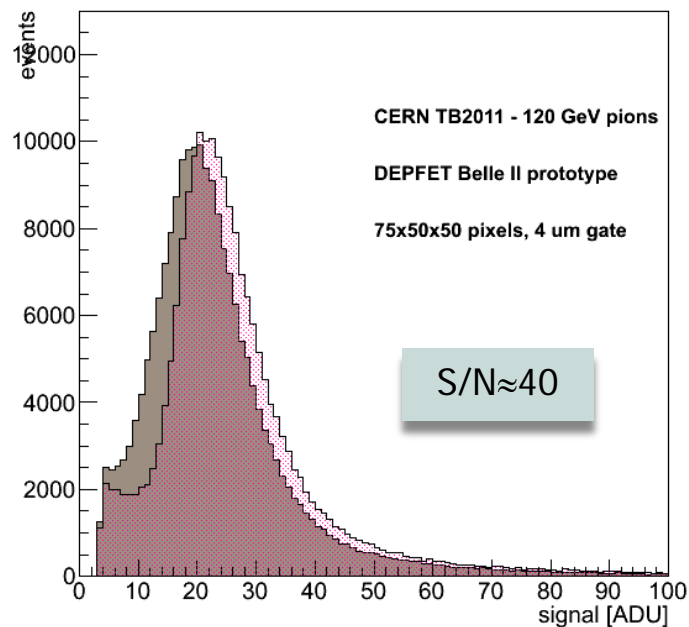
- ▷ bench tests in the lab
 - ↳ determine best operating point (Clear, ClearGate, Drift..)
 - ↳ in-pixel studies with laser
 - ↳ radioactive source tests
 - ↳ **read-out speed...**
- ▷ goal @Belle II
 - ↳ 320 MHz system clock
 - ↳ 50 kHz frame rate (20 μ s r/o time per frame)
 - ↳ 768 rows, 4-fold r/o \rightarrow **\sim 100 ns per row**

single pixel DEPFET (COCG LE) current output as seen by DCD
row-rate 10.83MHz (92.3ns) -- clear at end of cycle

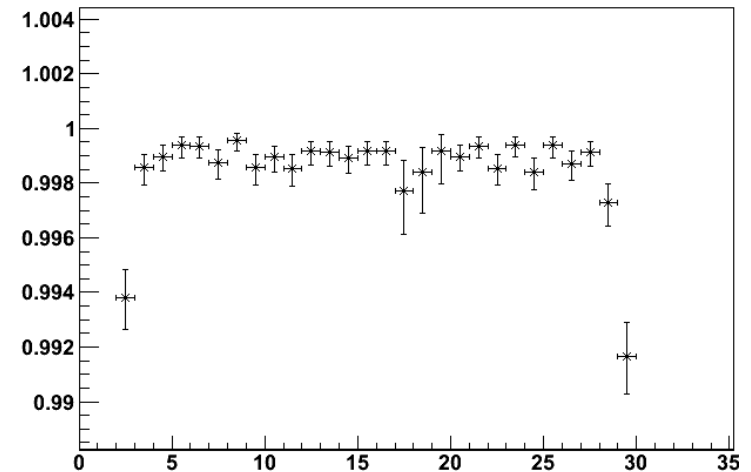


120 GeV pions beam test results

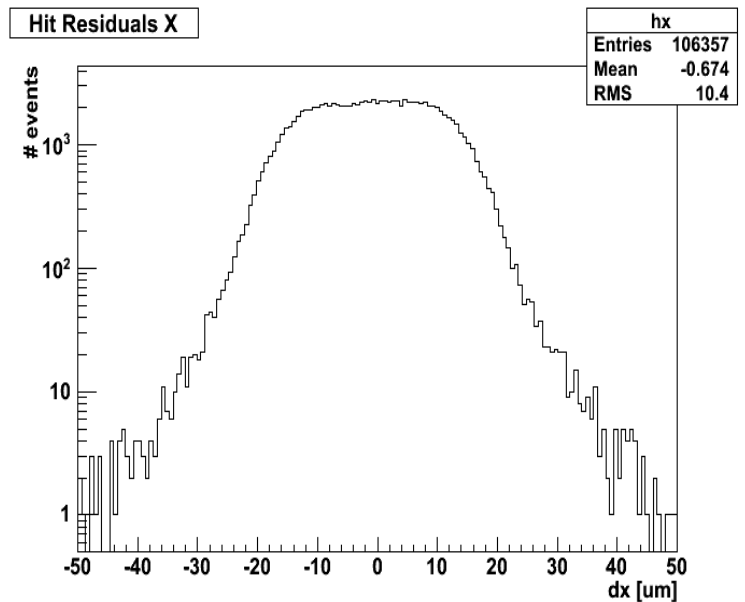
- ▷ latest beam test Oct. 2011, CERN SPS, 120GeV pions
 - ↳ PXD6 matrices, thickness 50µm
 - ↳ L=4µm, 75x50µm² pixel
- ▷ very good S/N
- ▷ efficiency >99.5%, both in X and y
- ▷ single point resolution ~10 µm (binary 14.4µm)



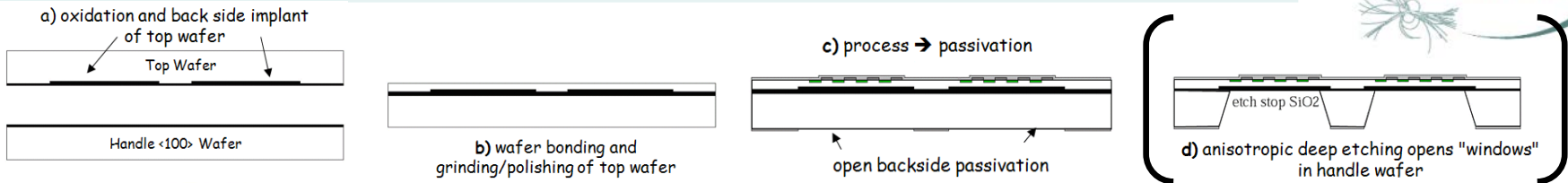
DUT Efficiency vs. Track X Position



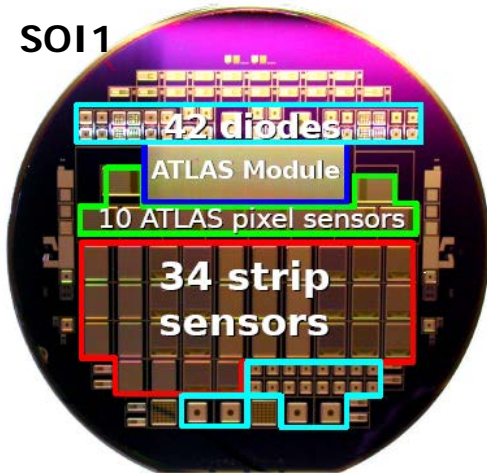
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Thin sensors for the ATLAS pixel upgrade



SOI1



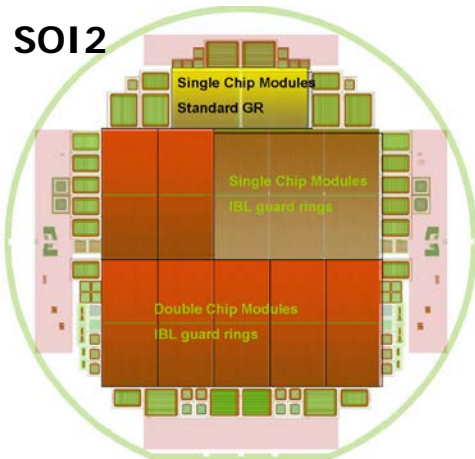
SOI1:

- ▷ 150mm, p-type top wafer, **75 μm** thin, HLL
- ▷ FE-I3 type pixel sensors (50x400 μm²)
- ▷ bump-less sensor and f/e interconnect (SLID, EMFT Munich)

SOI2:

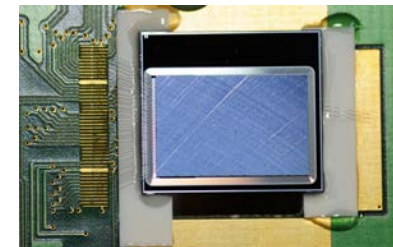
- ▷ 150mm, p-type top wafer, **150 μm** thin, HLL
- ▷ FE-I4 type pixel sensors (50x250 μm²)
- ▷ sensor and f/e interconnect by conv. bump-bonding (IZM Berlin)

SOI2



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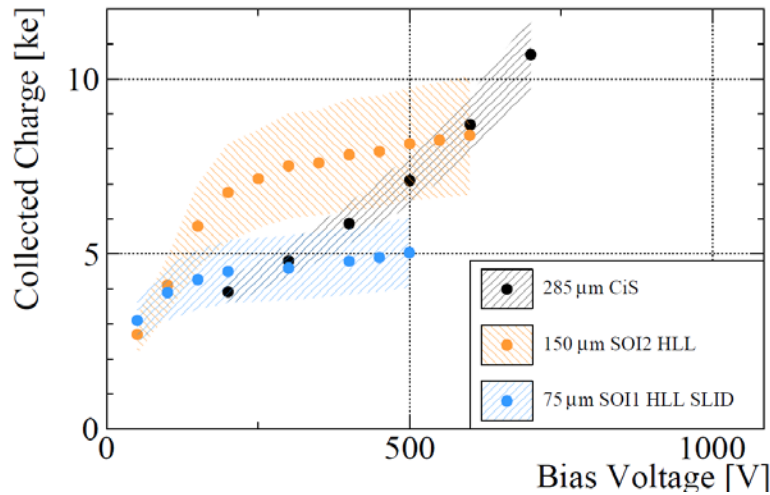
- ▷ 100mm, p-type std., **285 μm** thick, CiS
- ▷ FE-I3 type pixel sensors (50x400 μm²)



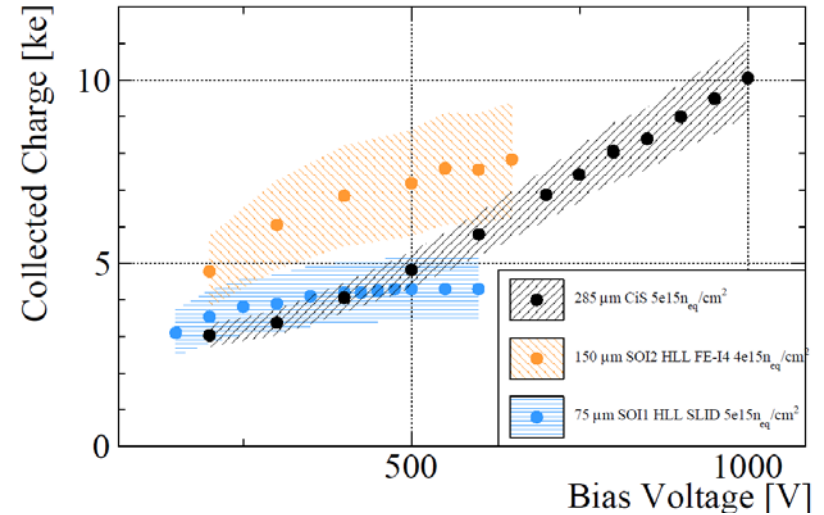
- ▷ Single chip modules irradiated up to $1e16$ n_{eq}/cm^2
- ▷ Tests in lab and beam the charge collection and tracking efficiency

● Charge collection in comparison

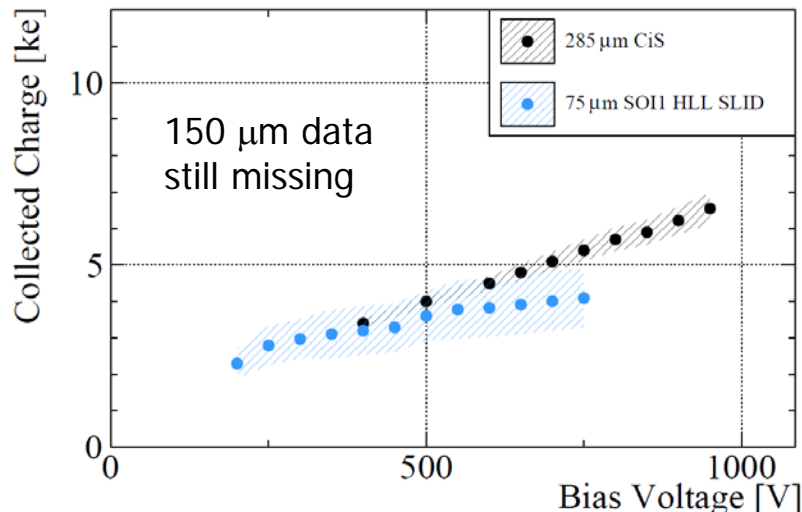
$\Phi = 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



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$\Phi = 10^{16} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

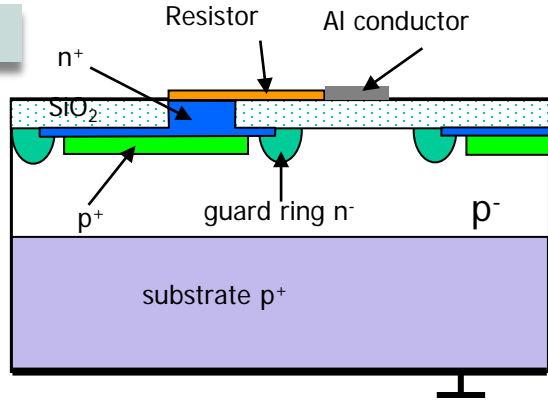


- ▷ Higher signal with 150 μm thick sensors up to $\Phi = (4-5) \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- ▷ At higher fluences the signal of thin and thicker sensors tends to equalize

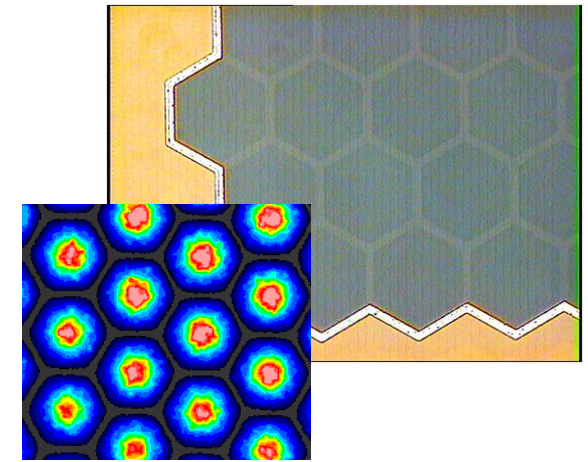
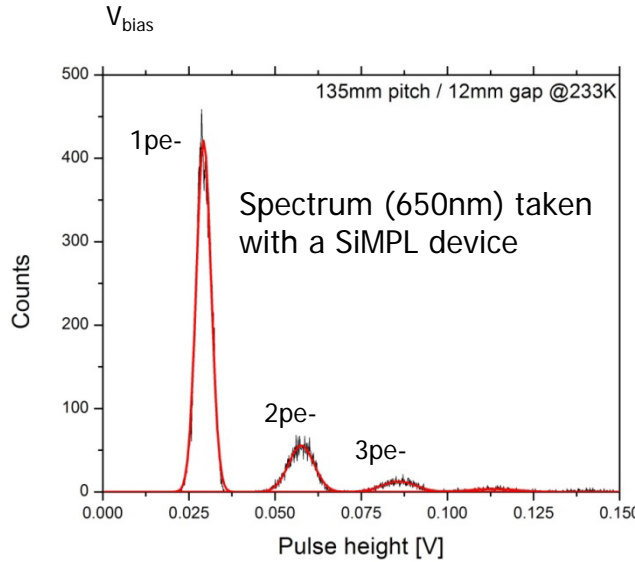
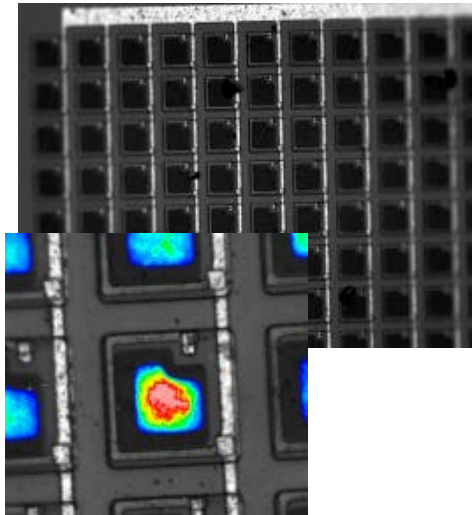
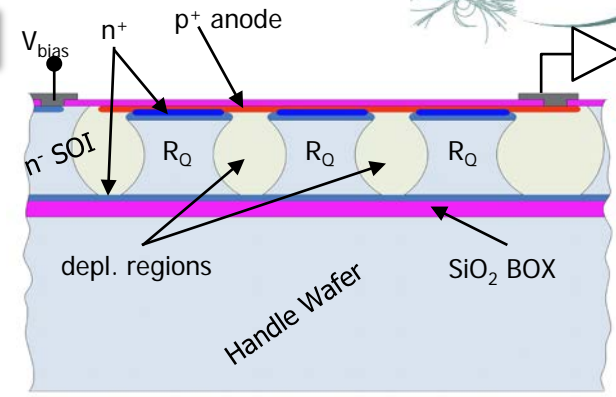
SOI III: Array of Geiger-mode APDs → SiPM → SiMPL



Conv. SiPM



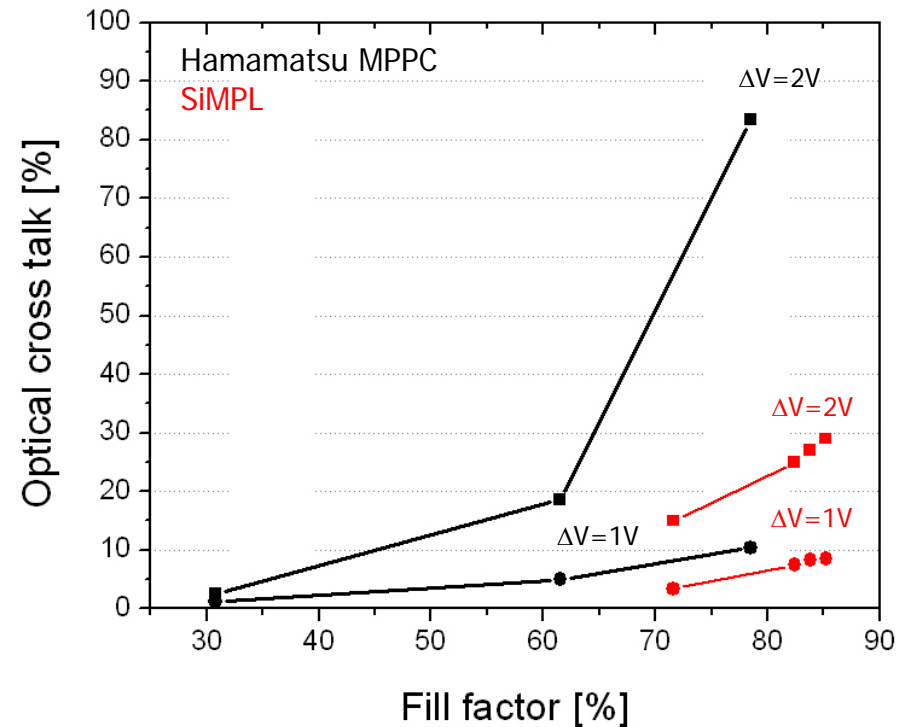
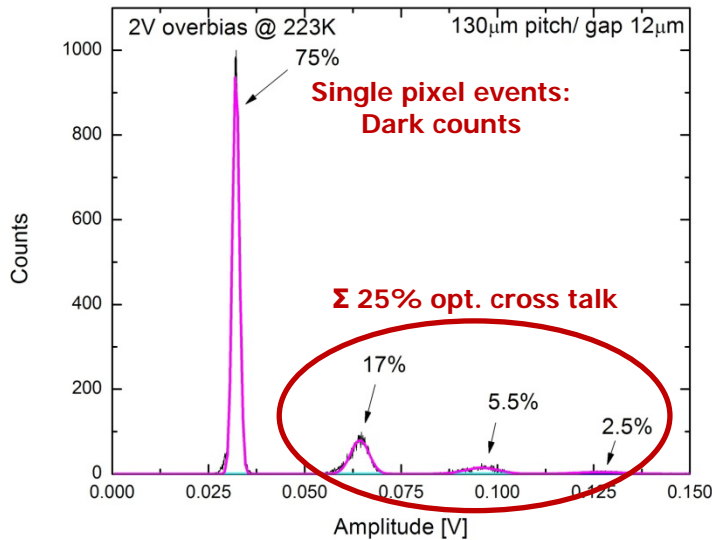
SiMPL



- ▷ New concept for an array of Geiger-mode APDs
- ▷ Bulk integrated quench resistors open the way to build arrays with very high fill factors
- ▷ Technology much simpler: Two prod. runs on SOI wafers with 70 μm top layer on R&D line

SiMPL – status

“dark spectrum” of a SiMPL device



- ▷ Proof of principle is shown: quenching works and dynamical measurements show expected behavior
- ▷ In addition to the simplified process the devices have the advantage of
 - ↳ a lower optical cross talk at
 - ↳ high geometrical fill factors
- ▷ studies of the produced sensors (geometry dependent performance, PDE, ...) are still ongoing
- ▷ some process details still need optimization, mainly to reduce dark count rate

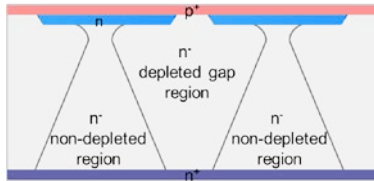
● SiMPL – the future

Based on the promising results from the prototyping:

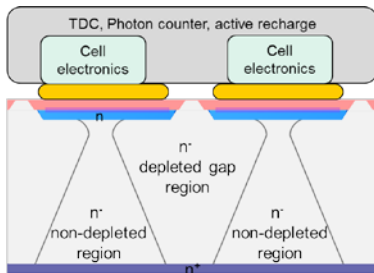
▷ foundation of a new Minerva group under the leadership of Jelena Ninikovic

↳ Jelana's position, one post-doc, one PhD student, one technician: all positions filled, ready to start..

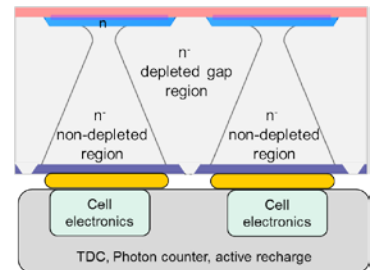
Roadmap of the project



- ▷ Optimize technology and produce improved SiMPL SiPMs for photon detection
- ▷ Optimized radiation entrance for various applications
- ▷ Target experiments: Magic, CTA, Scintillator read-out for ILC Calorimetry



- ▷ SiMPL for particle tracking
- ▷ Segmentation of the anode, one r/o node per APD, bump bonded
- ▷ Target experiment: fast time stamping (few ns) for CLIC tracker

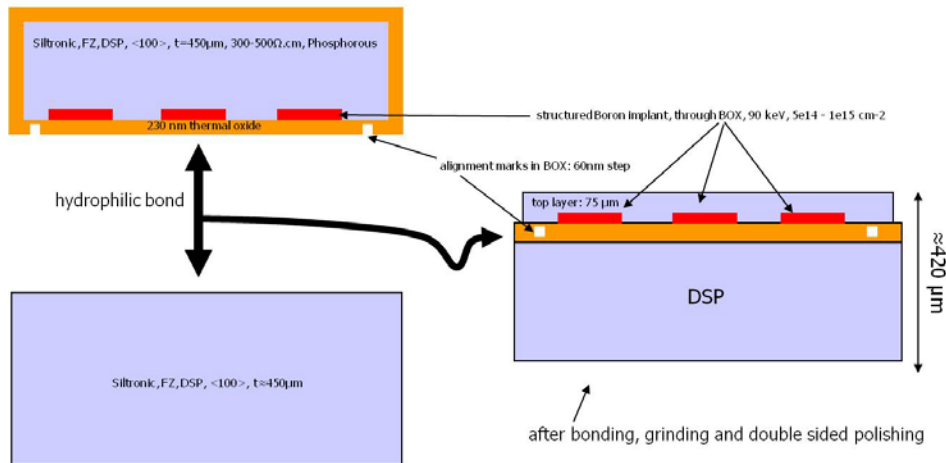


- ▷ SiMPL for particle tracking AND photons
- ▷ Segmentation of the cathode, one r/o node per APD, bump bonded to thin Silicon
- ▷ Fast detection with more intelligence per pixel cell

● SOI wafer supply

▷ all current MPP projects rely on high quality SOI wafers!

Raw wafer supply → pre-processing → SOI → HLL process → thinning...



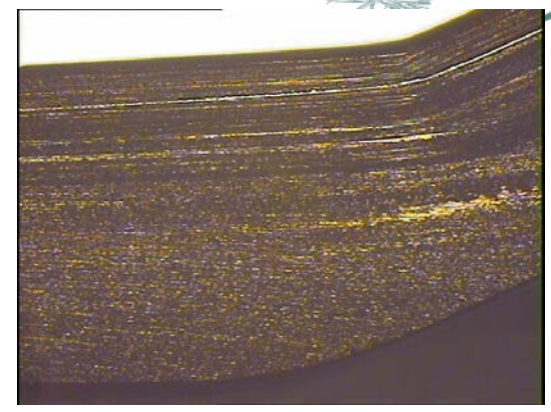
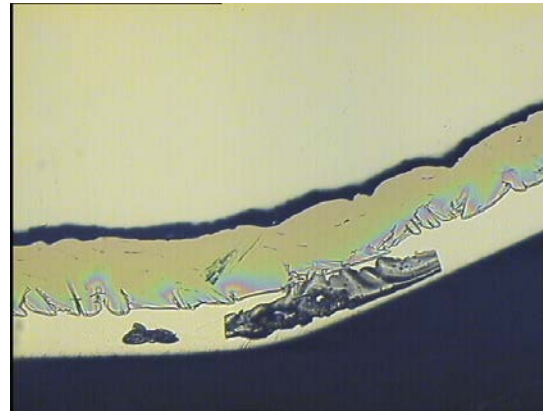
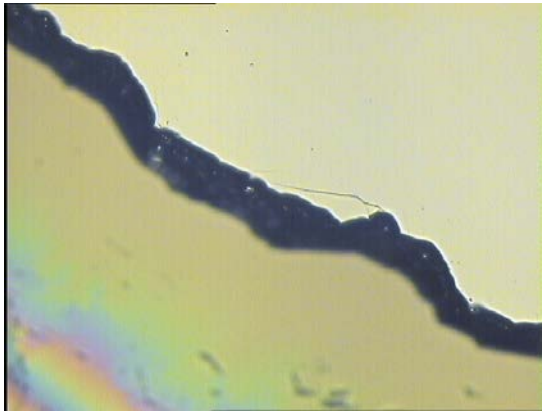
- ▷ Non-standard SOI, done externally
- ▷ Industrial partner Soitec stopped co-operation end 2010
- ▷ Urgent need to find and qualify other SOI supplier
- ▷ Need for external technology development

▷ SOI process modules

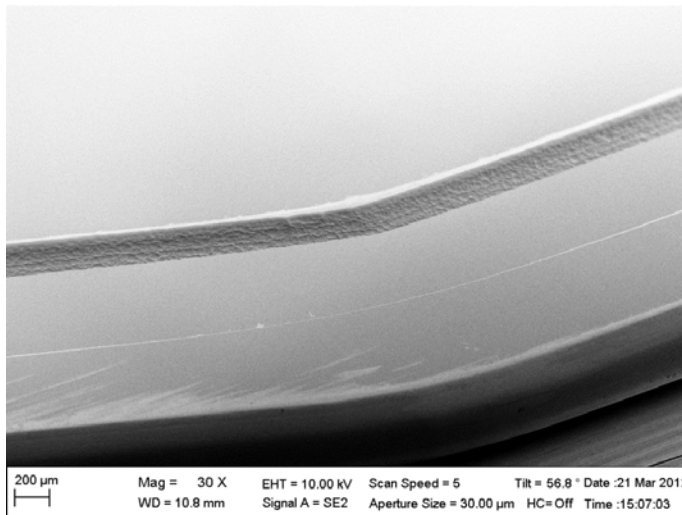
- ↳ Wafer bonding
- ↳ Edge treatment of the top wafer
- ↳ grinding and polishing

- Somewhat special due to our implanted back
- turned out to be the most tricky part
- basically standard processes

● Technology development at Icemos

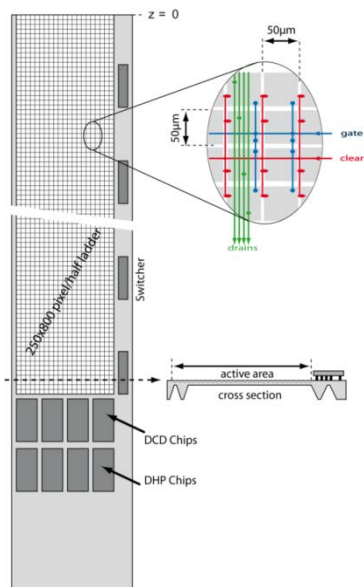


Proposed new process sequence



- ▷ Result of ~18 month development time
- ▷ Icemos now qualified as SOI supplier for Belle II, SiMPL ...
 - ↳ bonding, edge treatment..
- ▷ In parallel qualify 2nd source Shin Etsu, Japan
 - ↳ Only possible due to Japanese contacts at KEK!!
 - ↳ Almost the same process → same quality
- ▷ **Belle II DEPFET production started with Icemos wafers!**
- ▷ **2nd batch Shin Etsu**

interconnection Sensor - ASICs

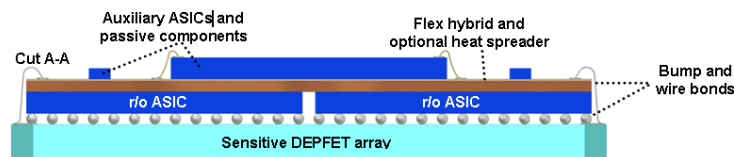


1. Belle II (and ILC):

- ▷ MCM – ASICs in different technologies on sensor as substrate
- ▷ bump bonds only on insensitive edge
- ▷ ~ 250 bumps/chip, 150 - 200 µm pitch
- ▷ frame rate: 50 kHz

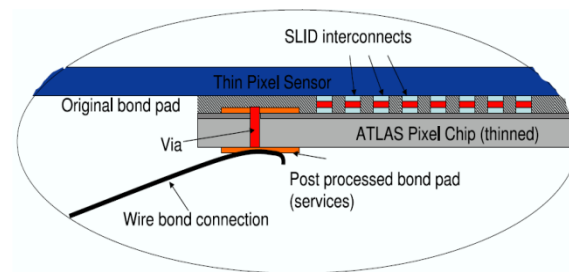
2. XFEL-DSSC:

- ▷ 1-on-1 connection DEPFET ↔ front-end
- ▷ ~4000 bumps / r/o-chip and 8 chips per module
- ▷ ~200 µm pitch
- ▷ frame rate 4.5 MHz for a 1Mpix camera



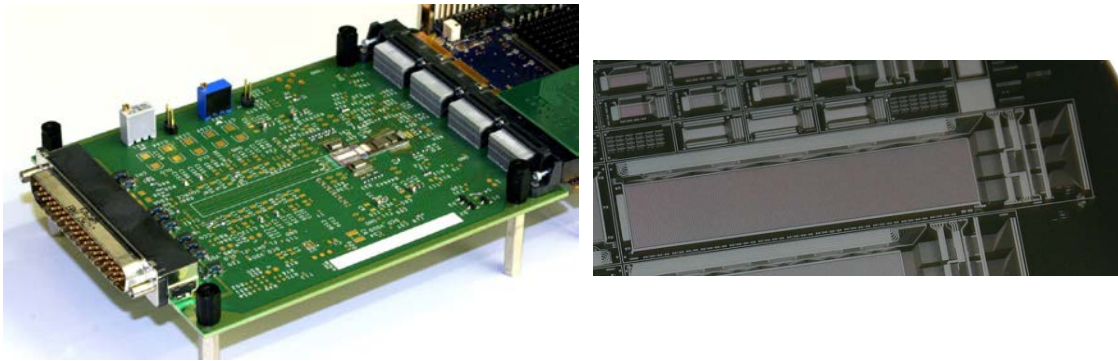
3. ATLAS Pixel upgrade:

- ▷ 1-on-1 connection Thin pad detector ↔ front-end
- ▷ Vertical integration project with Fraunhofer EMFT Munich
- ▷ 50 µm pitch
- ▷ frame rate 40 MHz



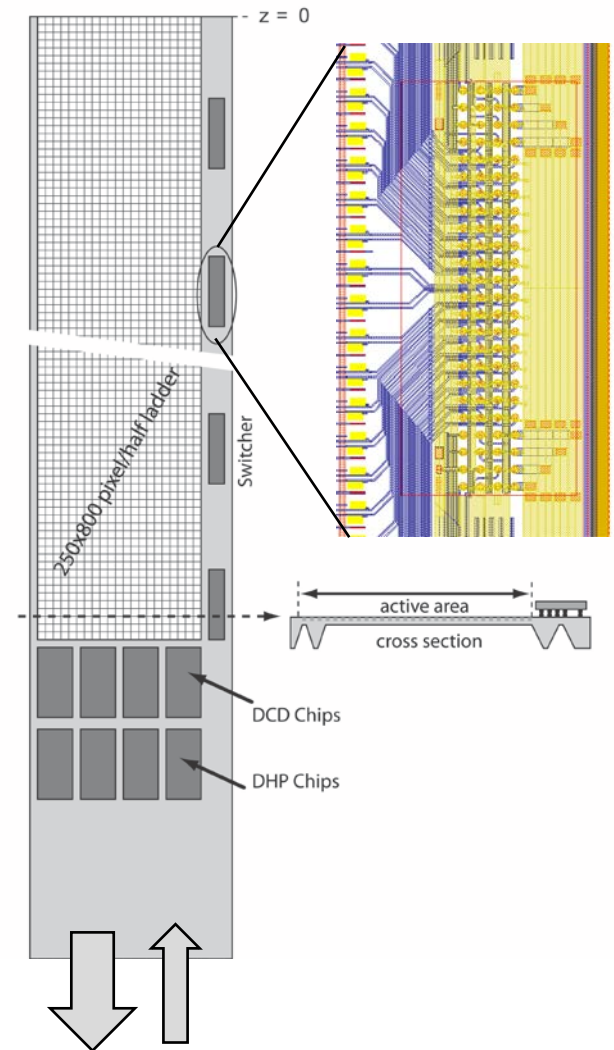
- ▷ Three important projects demand fine-pitch high-density interconnections → bump and bump-less flip-chipping
- ▷ We have to prepare our sensors for conv. bump bonding → solderable third metal layer
- ▷ We work with semi-industrial partners on novel vertical integration technologies

● Belle II - towards a real ladder

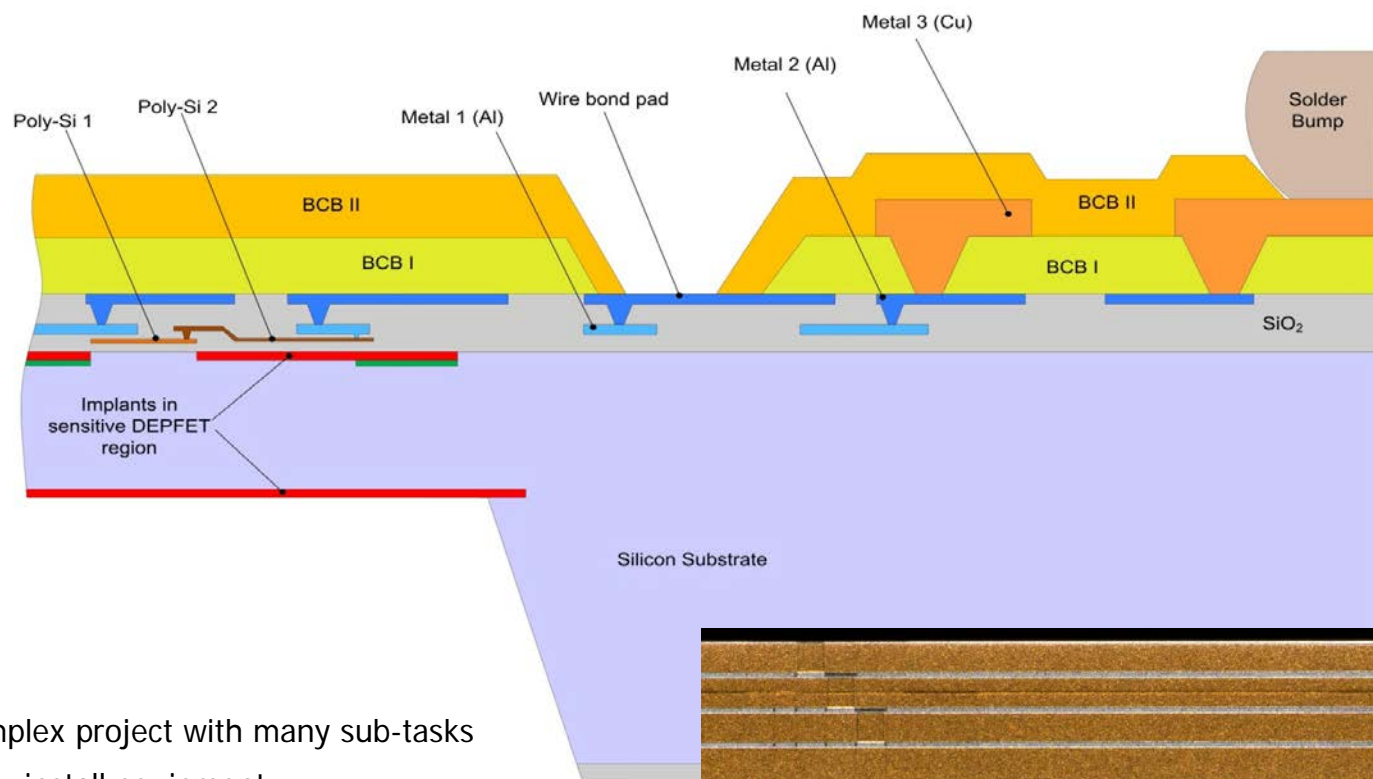


Transition from test systems to integrated modules

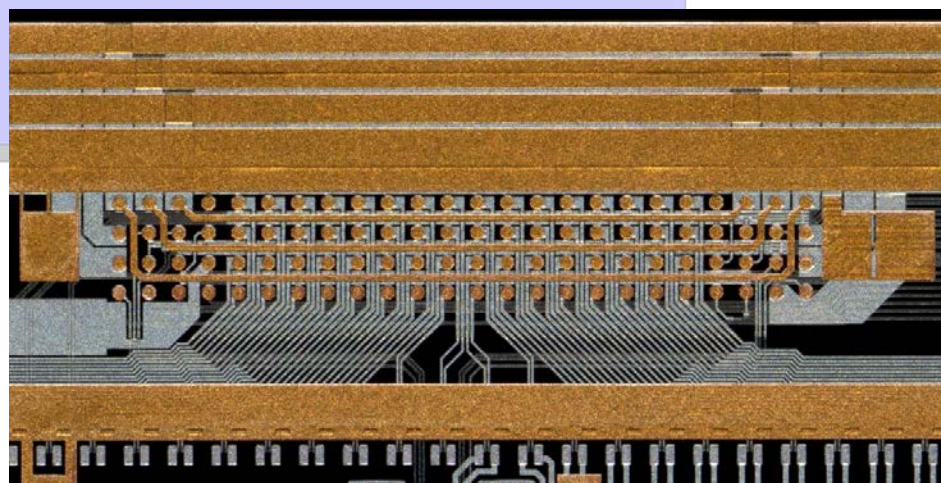
- ▷ PCB for the various matrices “hybrids”
- ▷ first bump bonded chip on PXD6 matrices
 - ↳ 2 metal layers, not the final geometry, simple 3rd metal later
 - ↳ need still support PCB for I/O
 - ↳ not perforated balcony, Au studs as UBM
- ▷ Belle-II PXD Module (two modules form a ladder)
 - ↳ **three metal layers, Cu as LM only on periphery**
 - ↳ 4 DCD, 4 DHP, 6 Switchers → ~3000 bonds/module
 - ↳ **Cu as UBM, bumps partly on thinned perforated frame**
 - ↳ passive components soldered to substrate
 - ↳ I/O and power over Kapton cable



● introducing a Cu layer on the DEPFET module



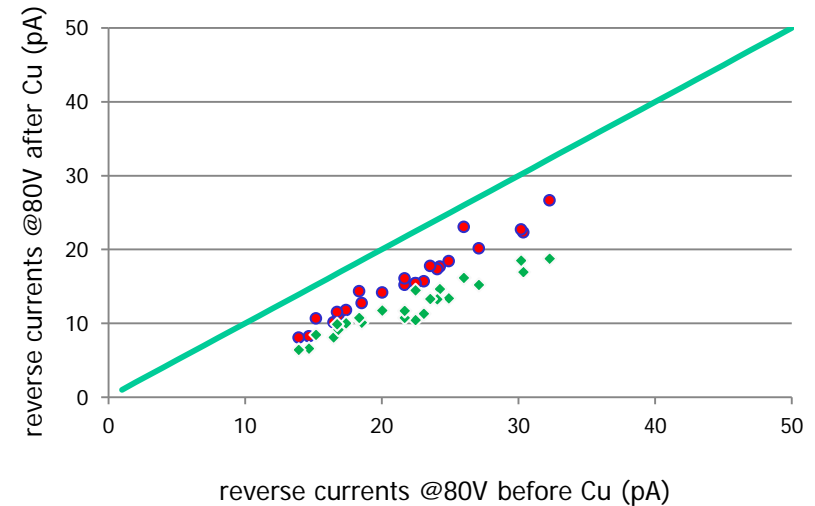
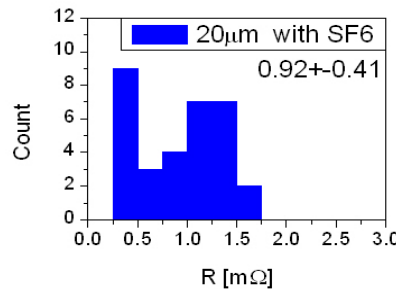
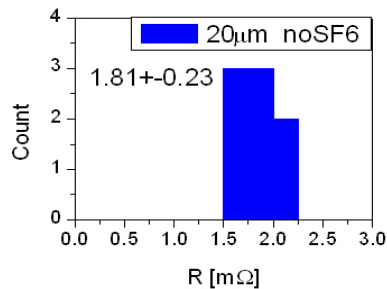
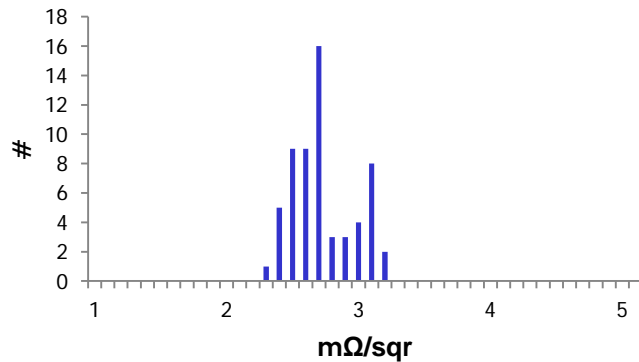
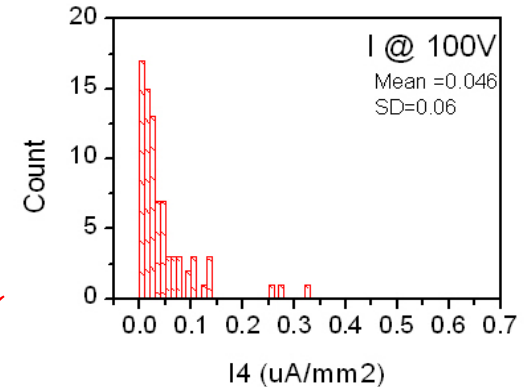
- ▷ complex project with many sub-tasks
 - ↳ install equipment
 - ↳ qualify various process modules
 - ↳ many(!) test runs
 - ↳ electrical test samples and test diodes



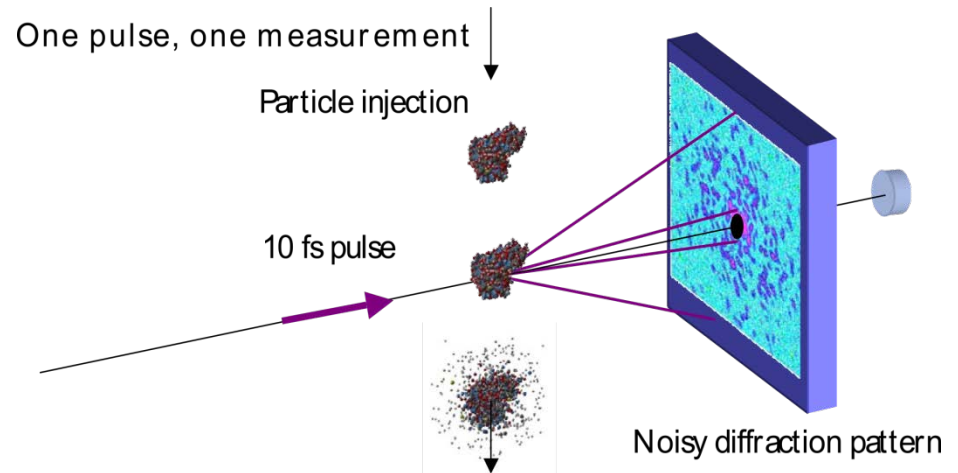
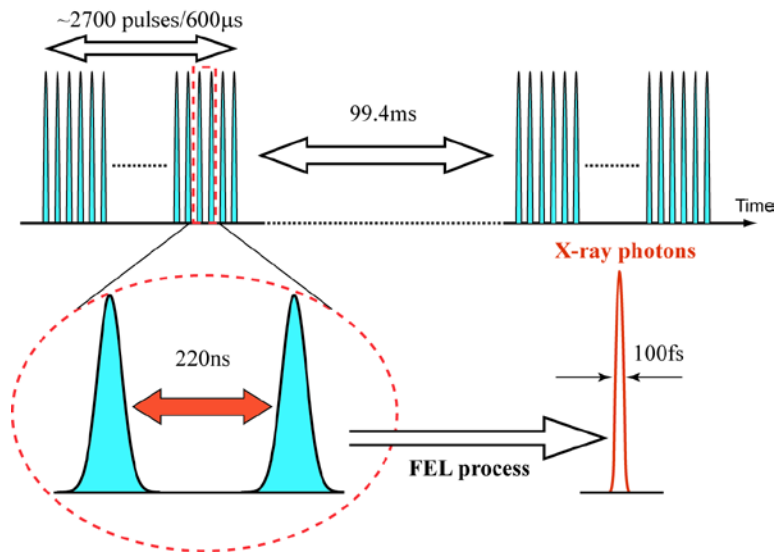
● Cu Layer – status in summary

- ▷ BCB isolation layer to last Al: **stands 100 V with negligible current** ✓
- ▷ 6μm Cu layer: **sheet resistance ~3 mΩ/sq.** ✓
- ▷ contacts to Al through BCB isolation: **diameter 20 μm → 1 .. 2 mΩ/contact** ✓
- ▷ basic properties of **test diodes and MOS caps not affected** by copper process ✓

with SF6 BD structures



● a camera for the European XFEL at DESY

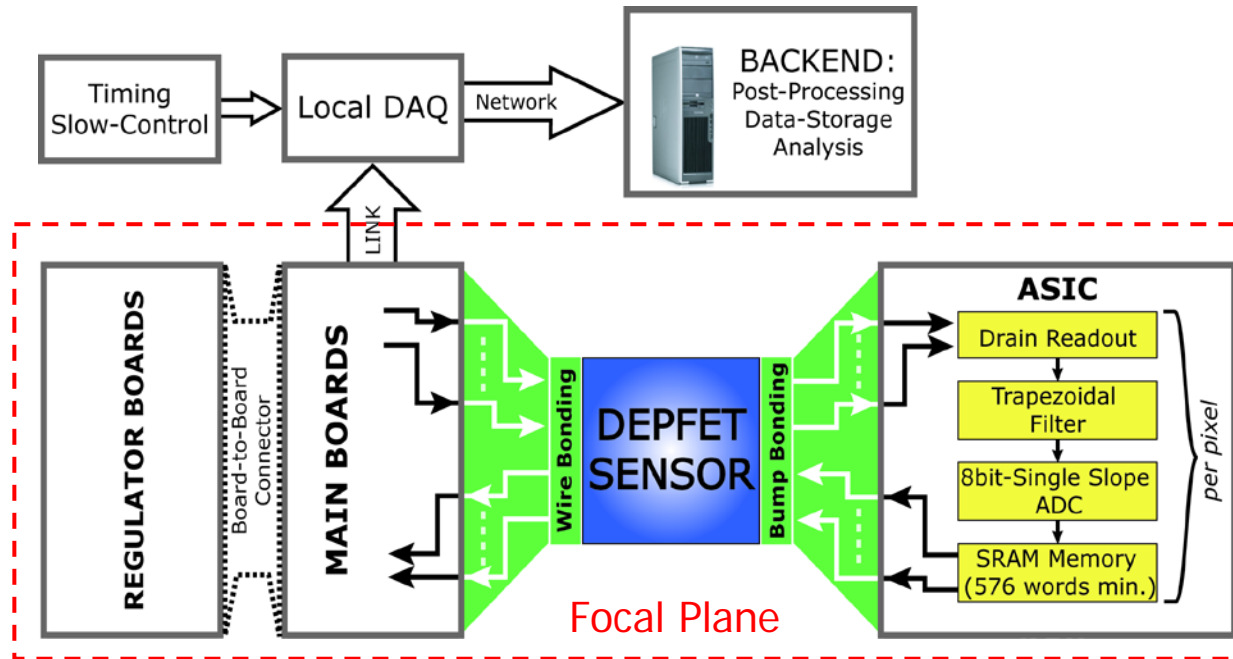


- ▷ e^- come in "trains", ~ 2700 bunches/train, $600\ \mu\text{s}$ long, $10\ \text{Hz}$ train rate
- ▷ bunch spacing $220\ \text{ns}$ ($4.5\ \text{MHz}$)
- ▷ each bunch gives an intense x-ray flash of $\sim 100\ \text{fs}$ duration

Key Requirements for the camera:

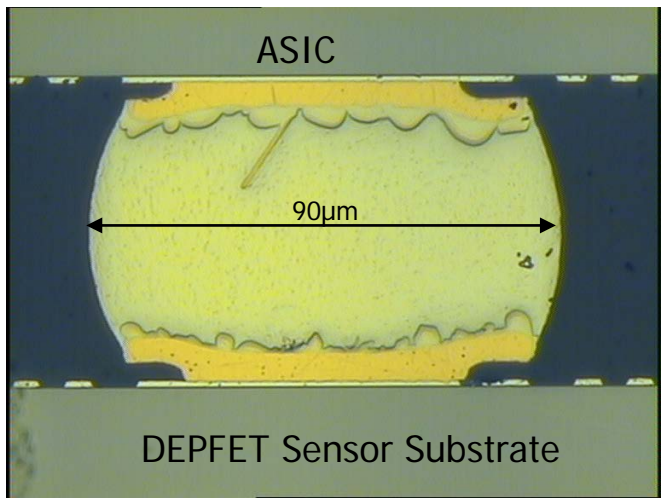
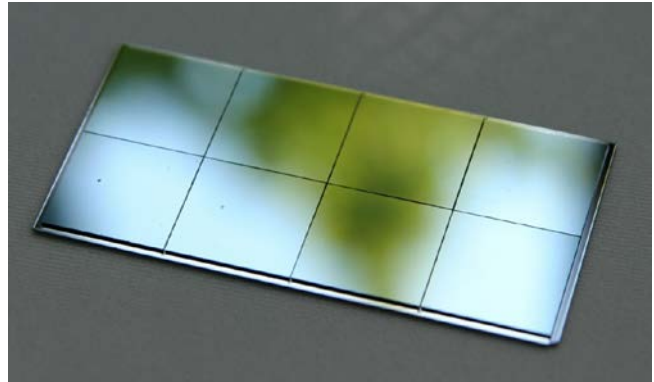
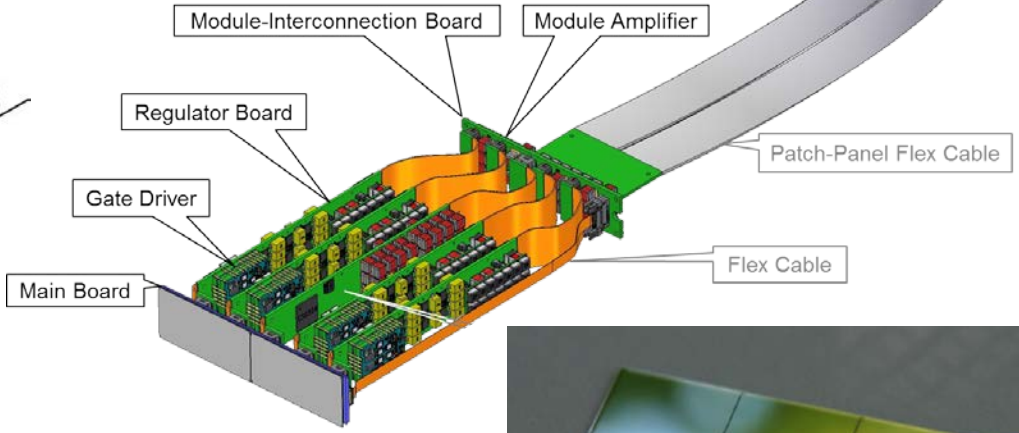
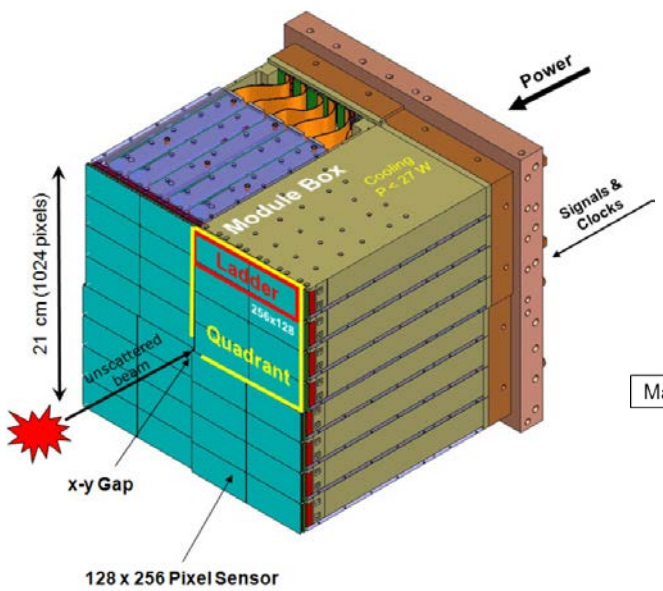
- ▷ Take "snap shot" with a $1\ \text{Mpix}$ camera with every flash
- ▷ Detect single low energy X-rays ($\geq 0.5\ \text{keV} \rightarrow 140\ e-h^+$ pairs in Si)
- ▷ Detect up to 10^4 X-rays with resolution better than Poisson limit
- ▷ Possibility to process ≥ 500 pulses in each burst

- system block diagram



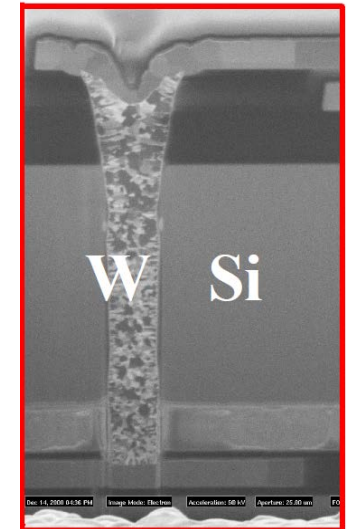
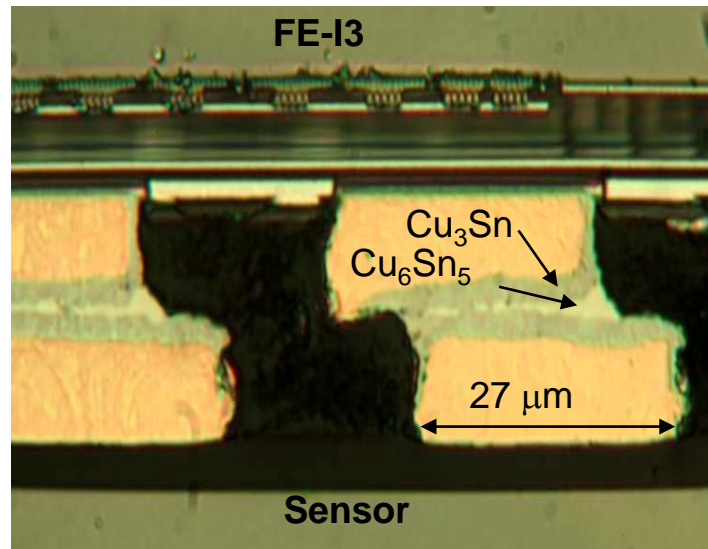
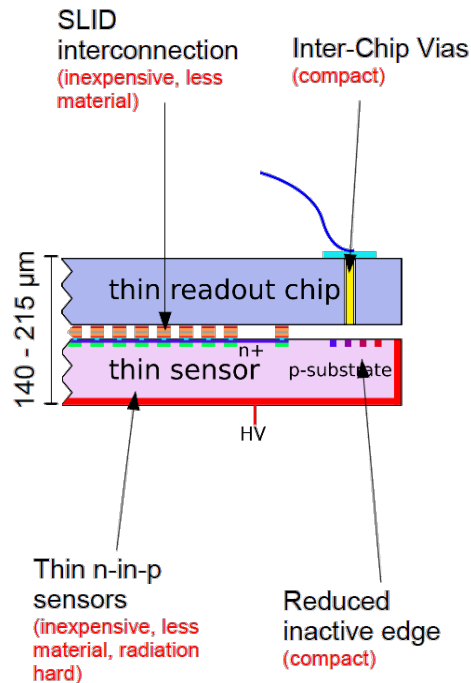
- ▷ Hybrid pixel detector with non-linear DEPFET active pixels (DSSC)
- ▷ r/o ASICs bump bonded, one bump per pixel in sensitive area
- ▷ Front- end amplifier, 8-bit ADC, and SRAM per pixel
- ▷ Digital data are sent of the focal plane during the train gap (~100ms)
- ▷ Power cycling: sensors and analog f/e in stand-by during train gap

- full parallel read-out – 1Mpix at 4.5MHz frame rate



- ▷ Bump bonding installed at HLL
- ▷ 8 chips, 1.5x1.4 cm², 33000 bumps in total per half-ladder
- ▷ Low force, back side free, bump bonding on special jigs

● The ATLAS Pixel Detector Upgrade



Fraunhofer
EMFT

Most challenging interconnect project, in co-operation with Fraunhofer EMFT

- ▷ alternative to bump bonding → bump-less Cu-Sn eutectic bonding "SLID"
 - ↳ pitch < 50 μm, possibility to stack thin chips
- ▷ Through Silicon Vias (TSV) → 4-side tillable sensors
- ▷ Status
 - ↳ feasibility of SLID demonstrated: high yield, radiation tolerant up to $1e16 n_{eq}/cm^2$
 - ↳ assembly of first FEI3 and thin HLL pixel sensor expected beginning of 2013

● Summary



- The main MPP Projects at HLL are
 - DEPFETs for Belle II (and ILC)
 - 1st batch started and already almost half-way through, 2nd to start soon
 - Pixel detectors for the ATLAS pixel upgrade
 - vertical integration project with Fraunhofer EMFT, thin planer sensors on SOI
 - SiMPL Silicon Photomultiplier and APDs in Geiger mode
 - start of new Minerva group → CTA, Magic, ILC calorimetry and CLIC tracking

- All MPP projects use custom made SOI wafers
 - wafer supply issue resolved, two new companies qualified

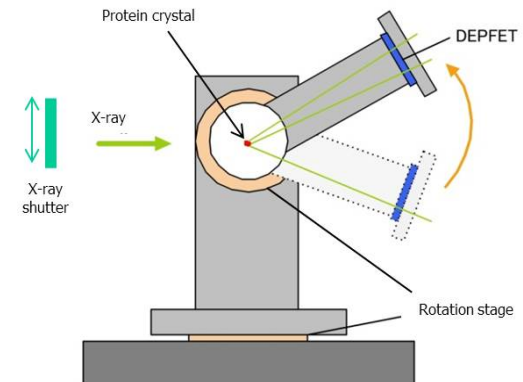
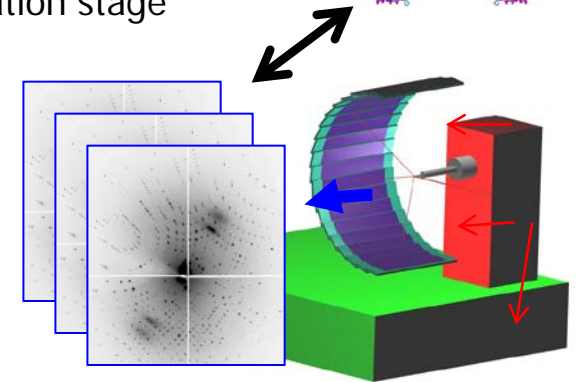
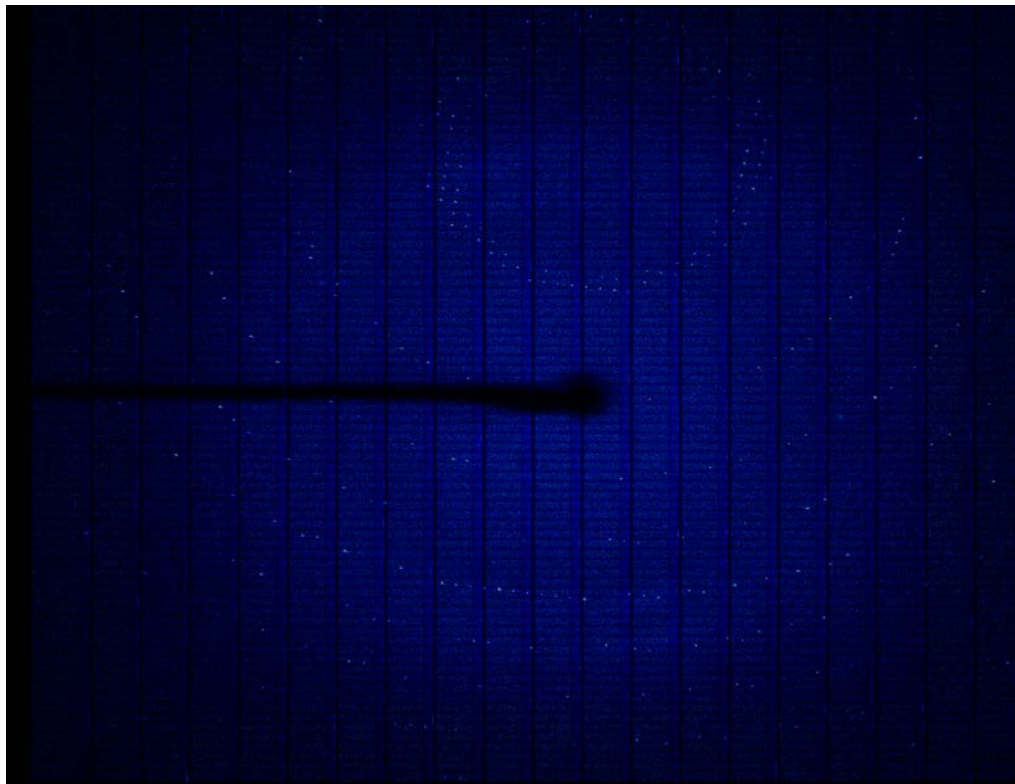
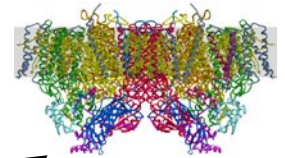
- All MPP projects (and XFEL-DSSC) need bump bonding and therefore a solderable metall layer
 - Cu technology and bump bonding installed and operational

- Sorry for the biased presentation, the time is much too short!! I had to skip
 - radiation hard DEPFETs, new devices, technology improvements, spin offs ...

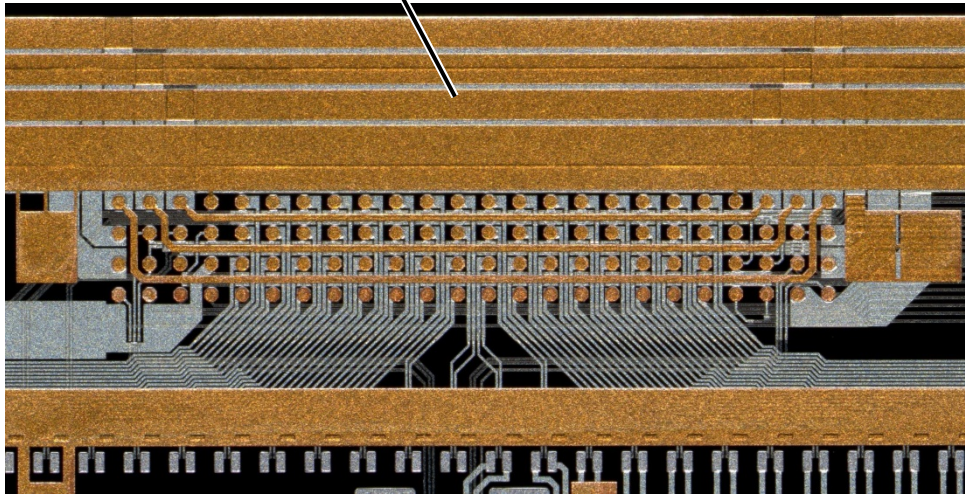
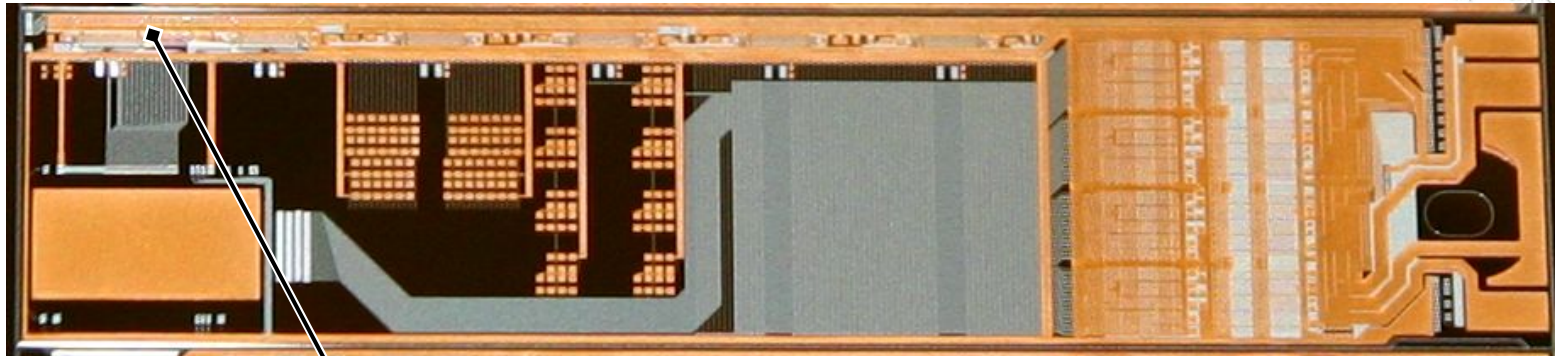
● Belle II DEPFET spin-off



- ▷ Inquiry from KEK Photon Factory for a 8 Mpix camera based on Belle II system:
 - ↳ X-ray protein crystallography
 - ↳ time and space resolution better than commercial systems (Pilatus etc.)
 - ↳ fast read-out (50kHz frame rate) high granularity (50 μm pixel, or smaller)
- ▷ 2nd beam test 2012 with Belle II DEPFET prototype system on rotation stage
 - ↳ 12.3 keV photons on protein crystal



- Verification of the module concept: E-MCM



- » E-MCMs ready for test and FC
 - ↳ realistic system test
 - ↳ result → Belle II production

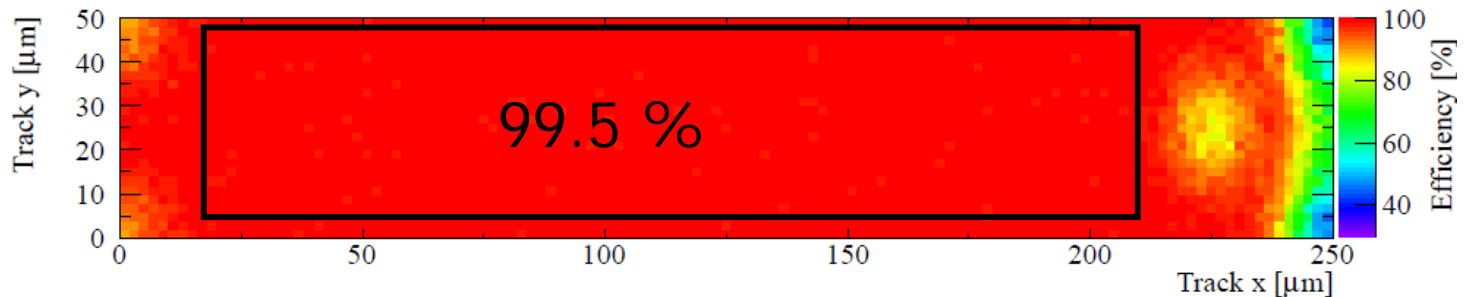
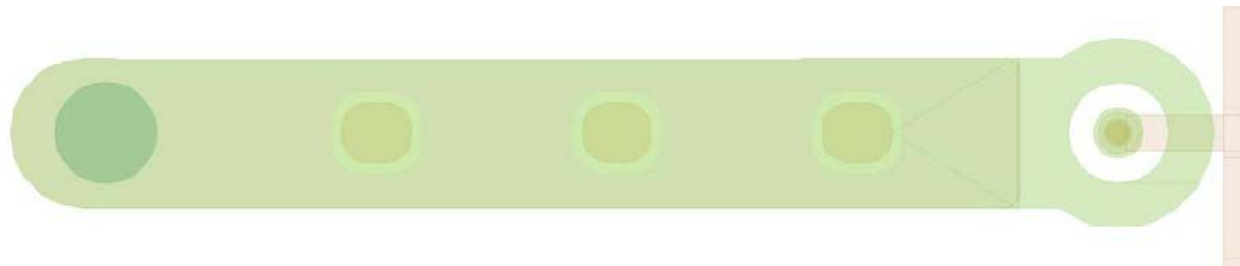
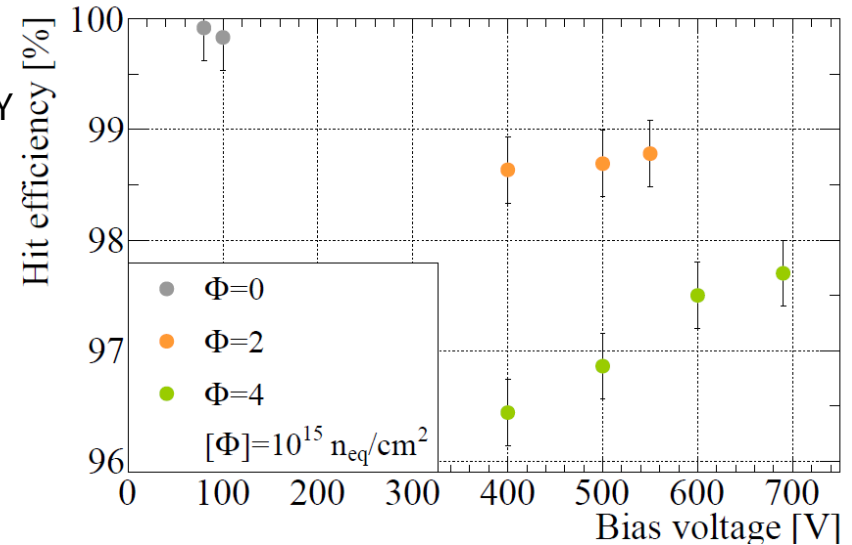
DEPFET technology with 3rd low impedance metal layer!!

SOI2 modules: efficiency in the beam

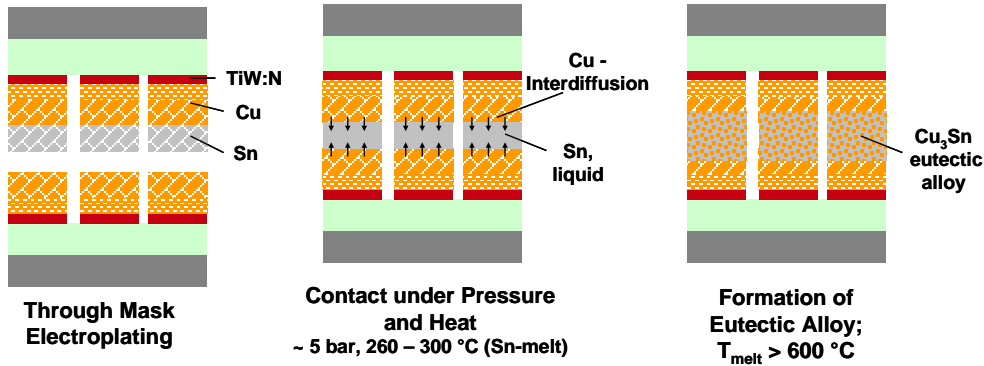
- ▷ FE-I4 modules, SOI2, 150 μm sensor layer
- ▷ 120 GeV pions at CERN-SPS & 5-6 GeV/c e^- at DESY
- ▷ non-irradiated, $2 \cdot 10^{15}$ and $4 \cdot 10^{15}$ $n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$

At 690 V bias, for the $4 \cdot 10^{15}$ $n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ module :

- ▷ overall CEE with a pixel ($50 \times 250 \mu\text{m}^2$): 97.7%
- ▷ excluding the PT bias structure: 99.5 %
- ▷ loss of CCE (perpendicular tracks) is a known feature of this type of sensors

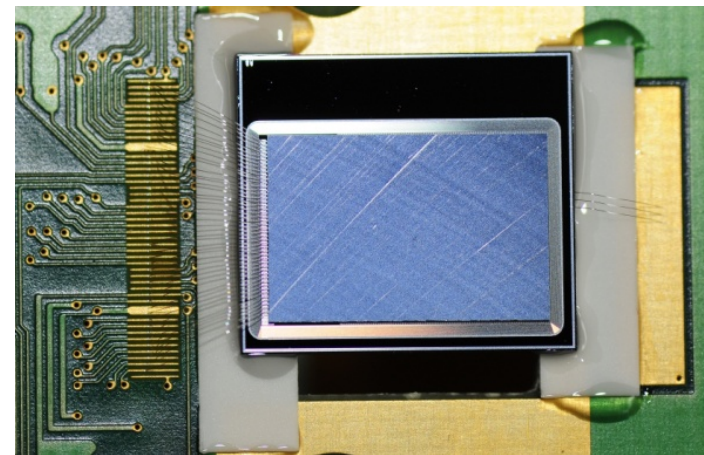
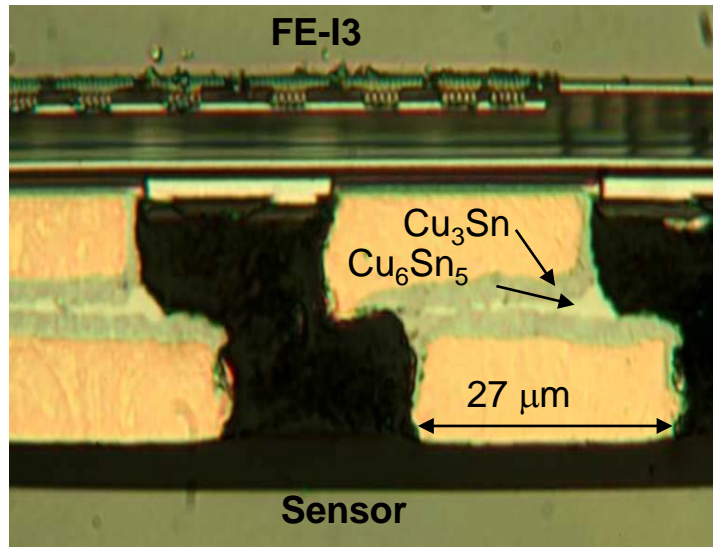


SOI1: "SLID" - "SOLID" – bump-less Cu-Sn eutectic bonding



SLID: Solid Liquid Interdiffusion

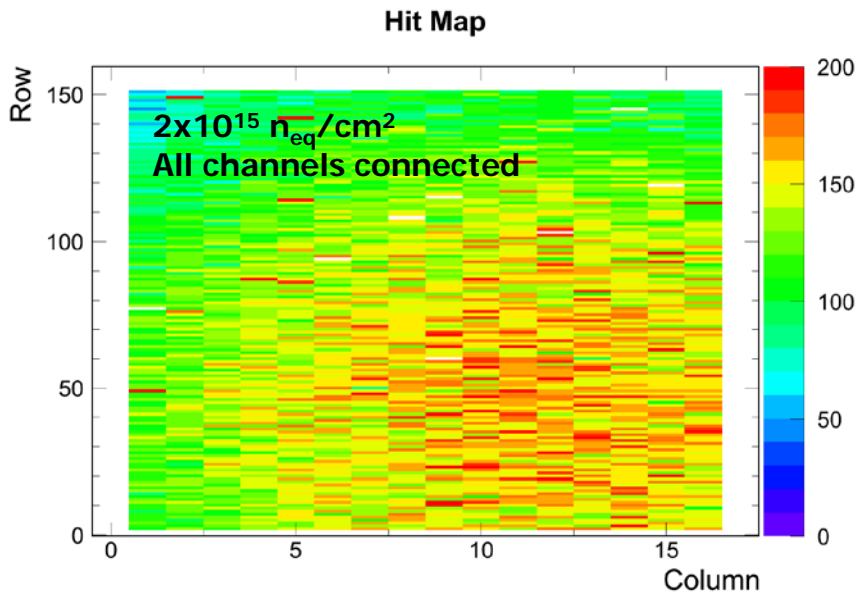
- alternative to conventional bump bonding
- Cu+Sn layers → Cu_3Sn alloy
- for electrical and mechanical connection
- min. pitch given by pick and place (~20 μm)
- wafer-to-wafer, chip-to-wafer, and chip-to-chip
- However: no rework possible!



- sensor/FE-I3 stack read out with Uni Bonn read-out cards
- interconnect yield comparable with conv. bump bonding
- for more details see TIPP2012 proceedings, [arXiv:1202.6497](https://arxiv.org/abs/1202.6497)

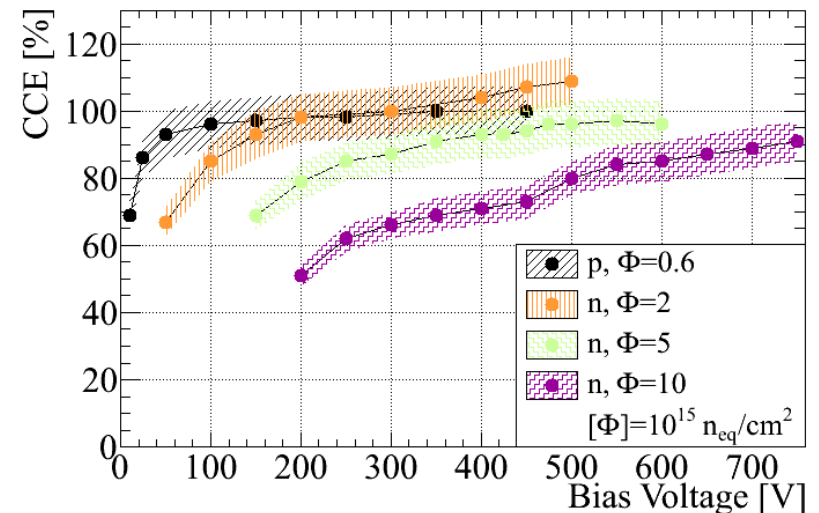
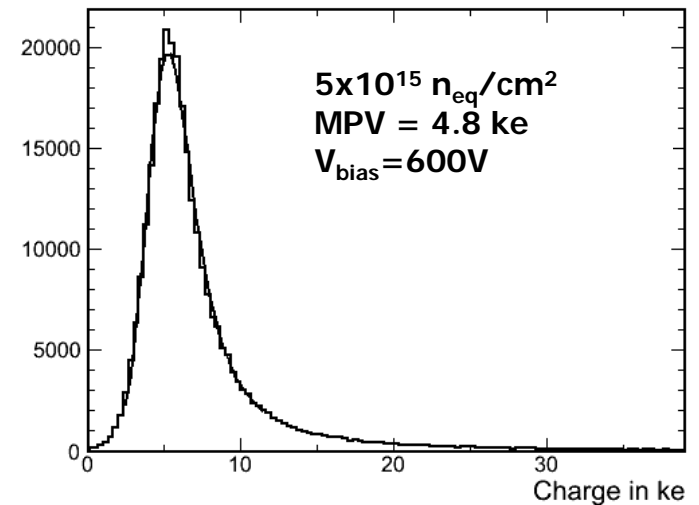
● Lab tests of the SLID modules - after irradiation

- SCMs irradiated up to $10^{16} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- tested with a ^{90}Sr source
- interconnection yield unchanged after irradiation and multiple thermal cycling ($+20^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow -30^\circ\text{C}$)

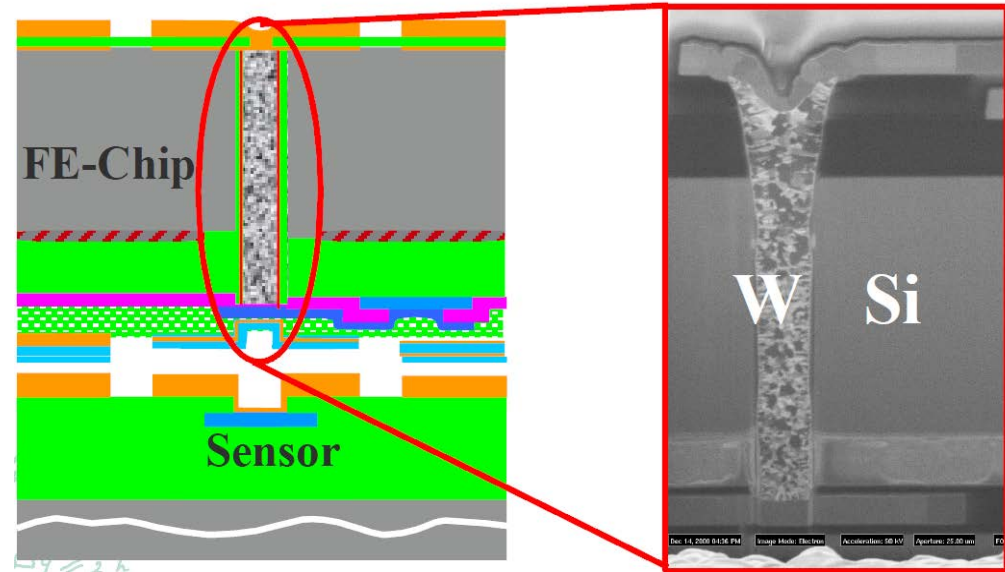
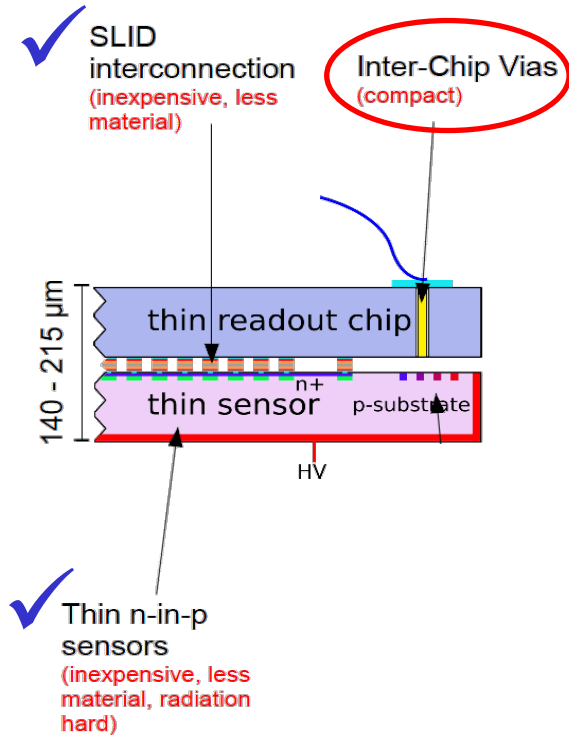


SLID interconnection is radiation hard and withstands thermal cycling

Charge Distribution for all Cluster



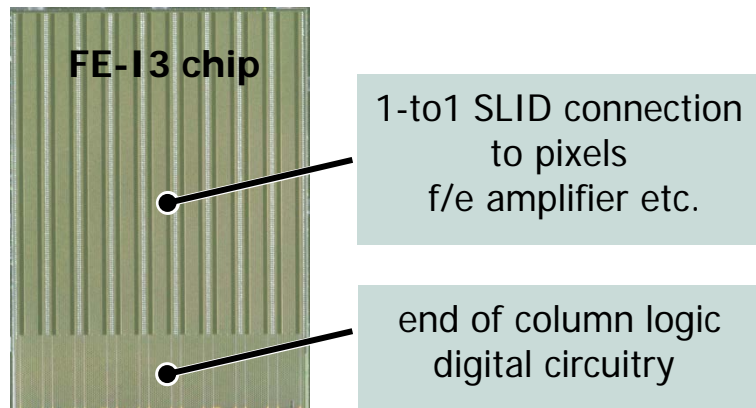
● Inter-Chip Vias ICV → TSV



Inter-Chip Vias (ICV)

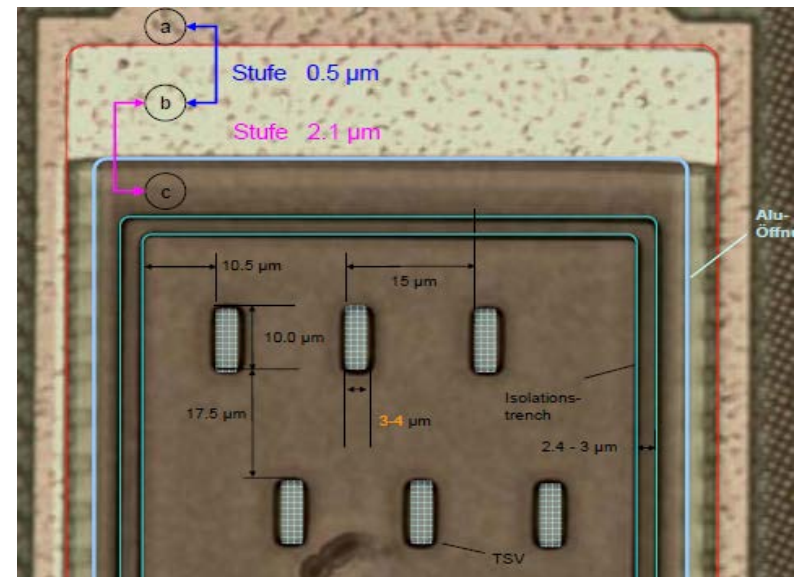
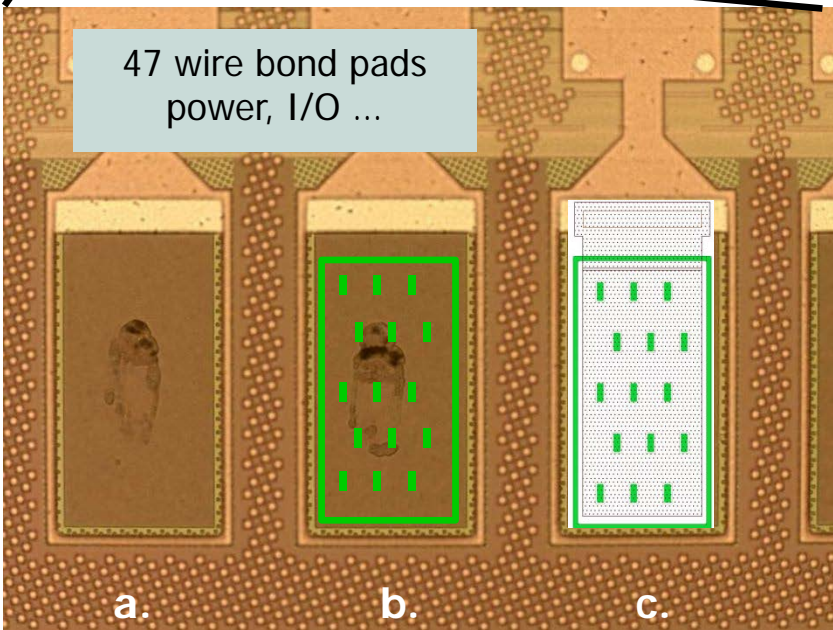
- Allow for vertical signal transport through Si structures
→ Compact pixel modules
- post-processing of the FE-I3 wafer (“via last” approach)
 - via etching on front side (Bosch-process), isolation, and tungsten filling
 - back side thinning of the wafer → ~60 μm
 - isolation and metallization for the back side contact (wire bonds)

● Location of the vias



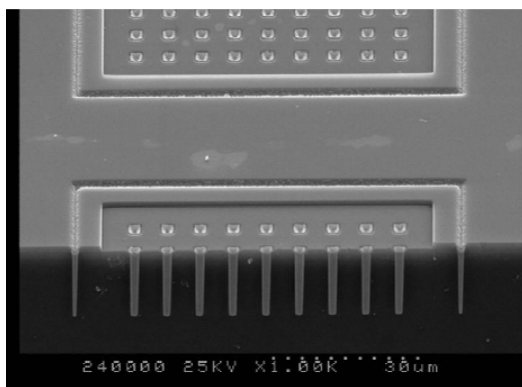
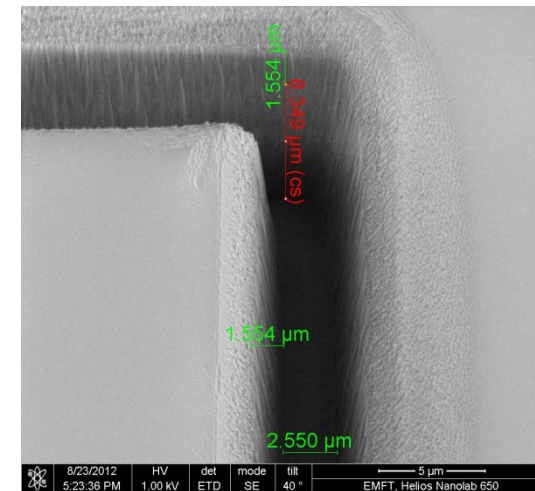
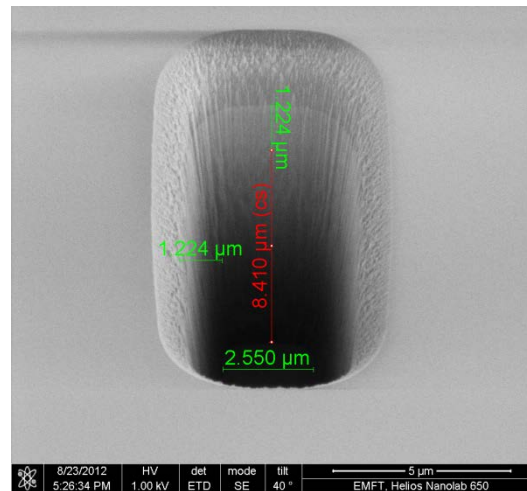
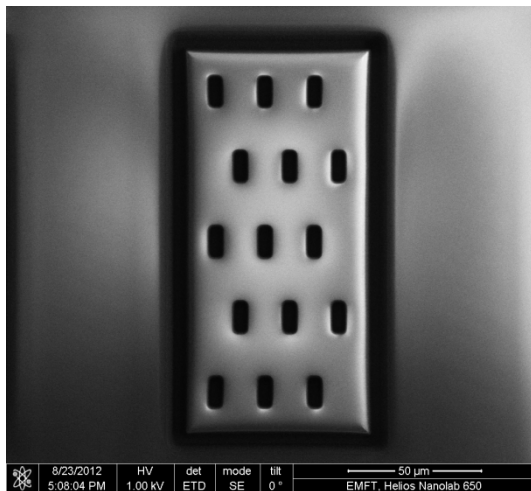
wire bond pads → back side of the chip

- remove pad metal (Alu)
- etch blind vias from the front side
 $3 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^2$, $\sim 70 \mu\text{m}$ deep
- connect via metal to pad metal on the front



● Current status

■ Blind vias etched from front side of the FE-I3 Wafers



- Via isolation and Tungsten plug done
- Vias connected to I/O and Power on front side (Al)

Next steps on schedule:

- Cu electro-plating on front for SLID
- Mount to handle wafer, back-thin to expose vias from back
- Back side metallization in December
- SLID to pixel sensors in January 2013