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## **Development of radiation tolerant silicon detectors for the Super - LHC**

... with strong focus on the results of the RD50 collaboration

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## Outline



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- Macroscopic damage (changes in detector properties)
- Microscopic damage (crystal damage)

### • Approaches to obtain radiation hard sensors

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  - Other semiconductors
- Device Engineering
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  - 3D sensors and thin devices

## • Silicon Sensors for the LHC upgrade and open questions

- Collected Charge Signal to Noise Avalanche effects
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## **LHC example: CMS inner tracker**





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- **CMS** "Currently the Most Silicon"
  - Micro Strip:
  - $\sim 214 \text{ m}^2$  of silicon strip sensors, 11.4 million strips
  - Pixel:
  - Inner 3 layers: silicon pixels (~ 1m<sup>2</sup>)
  - 66 million pixels (100x150µm)
  - Precision:  $\sigma(r\phi) \sim \sigma(z) \sim 15 \mu m$
  - Most challenging operating environments (LHC)

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93 cm



## **The challenge: Super LHC - visually**





LHC nominal luminosity

#### SLHC luminosity ~300-400 interactions/bx

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## **Radiation levels after 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>**





### • Radiation hardness requirements (including safety factor of 2)

- $2 \times 10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$  for the innermost pixel layers
- $7 \times 10^{14} n_{eq}/cm^2$  for the innermost strip layers

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## **Signal degradation for LHC Silicon Sensors**





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### **<u>Reminder</u>: Reverse biased abrupt p<sup>+</sup>-n junction**





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**Change of Depletion Voltage V<sub>dep</sub> (N<sub>eff</sub>)** 



• "Type inversion": N<sub>eff</sub> changes from positive to negative (Space Charge Sign Inversion)





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





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



• Damage parameter α (slope in figure)

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

Leakage current per unit volume and particle fluence

 α is constant over several orders of fluence and independent of impurity concentration in Si
 ⇒ can be used for fluence measurement



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

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

#### **Consequence:** Cool detectors during operation! Example: *I*(-10°C) ~1/16 *I*(20°C)

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#### Deterioration of Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE) by trapping

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

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

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



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**Two general types of radiation damage to the detector materials:** 









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#### Shockley-Read-Hall statistics







#### Methods used by RD50 Collaboration

RD50-WODEAN project guided by G.Lindstroem (HH):

- C-DLTS (Capacitance Deep Level Transient Spectroscopy)
- I-DLTS (Current Deep Level Transient Spectroscopy)
- TSC (Thermally Stimulated Currents)
- PITS (Photo Induced Transient Spectroscopy)
- FTIR (Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy)
- RL (Recombination Lifetime Measurements)
- PC (Photo Conductivity Measurements)
- PL (Photo Luminescence)
- EPR (Electron Paramagnetic Resonance)
- TCT (Transient Charge Technique)
- CV/IV (Capacitance Voltage and Current Voltage Characteristics)

#### **Further interesting methods:**

• Positron Annihilation, TEM, TSCAP, .....



**TSC (Thermally Stimulated Currents)** 



## **Correlation:** Microscopic and Macroscopic data



### • TSC and CV measurements (Isothermal annealing after 2x10<sup>14</sup> n/cm<sup>2</sup>)



- short term annealing well described
- microscopic results predict macroscopic findings!

[Alexandra Junkes, Hamburg University, RD50 Workshop June 2009]



# Summary – defects with strong impact on the device properties at operating temperature





[I.Pintilie et al., Appl. Phys. Lett.92 024101,2008]







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## Silicon Growth Processes



### • Floating Zone Silicon (FZ)



- Basically all silicon tracking detectors made out of FZ silicon
- Some pixel sensors out of DOFZ Diffusion Oxygenated FZ silicon

- Czochralski Silicon (CZ) • The growth method seed silica used by the IC industry. crucible • Difficult to produce Si very high resistivity crystal Si melt heater Czochralski Growth
- Epitaxial Silicon (EPI)
  - Chemical-Vapor Deposition (CVD) of Si
  - up to 150 µm thick layers produced
  - growth rate about 1µm/min



### **Silicon Materials under Investigation by RD50**



| standard<br>for     | Material  | Thickness<br>[µm]       | Symbol | ρ<br>(Ωcm)           | [O <sub>i</sub> ]<br>(cm <sup>-3</sup> ) |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------|--------|----------------------|--|
| detectors (         | Standard FZ (n- and p-type)   | 50,100,150,<br>300      | FZ     | 1-30×10 <sup>3</sup> | < 5×10 <sup>16</sup>                     |
|                     | <b>Diffusion oxygenated FZ</b> (n) and p-type)                            | 300                     | DOFZ   | 1-7×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ 1-2×10 <sup>17</sup>                   |
| used for<br>LHC     | Magnetic Czochralski Si, Okmetic,<br>Finland (n- and p-type)              | 100, 300                | MCz    | ~ 1×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ 5×10 <sup>17</sup>                     |
| Pixel<br>detectors  | Czochralski Si, Sumitomo, Japan<br>(n-type)                               | 300                     | Cz     | ~ 1×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ <b>8-9</b> ×10 <sup>17</sup>           |
| "new"               | <b>Epitaxial layers on Cz-substrates,</b> ITME,<br>Poland (n- and p-type) | 25, 50, 75,<br>100, 150 | EPI    | 50 - 100             | < 1×10 <sup>17</sup>                     |
| silicon<br>material | Diffusion oxyg. Epitaxial layers on CZ                                    | 75                      | EPI-DO | 50 - 100             | ~ 7×10 <sup>17</sup>                     |

- DOFZ silicon
- Enriched with oxygen on wafer level, <u>inhomogeneous</u> distribution of oxygen
- CZ/MCZ silicon
- high Oi (oxygen) and O<sub>2i</sub> (oxygen dimer) concentration (<u>homogeneous</u>)
   formation of shallow Thermal Donors possible
- Epi silicon
   high O<sub>i</sub>, O<sub>2i</sub> content due to out-diffusion from the CZ substrate (inhomogeneous)
   thin layers: high doping possible (low starting resistivity)
- Epi-Do silicon
- as EPI, however additional O<sub>i</sub> diffused reaching <u>homogeneous</u> O<sub>i</sub> content

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- Common to all materials (after hadron irradiation, not after γ irradiation):
  - reverse current increase
  - increase of trapping (electrons and holes) within ~ 20%





### • Epitaxial silicon irradiated with <u>23 GeV protons</u> vs reactor neutrons

delopment of N<sub>eff</sub> for EPI-DO after neutron and proton irradiation

TSC results after neutron and proton irradiation





comparison of TSC spectra 50



- SCSI after neutrons but not after protons
- donor generation enhanced after proton irradiation
- microscopic defects explain macroscopic effect at low  $\Phi_{ea}$

[A.Junkes, Hamburg University, RD50 Workshop June 2009]

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### • Exposure of FZ & MCZ silicon sensors to 'mixed' irradiations

- First step: Irradiation with protons or pions
- Second step: Irradiation with neutrons



[G.Kramberger et al., "Performance of silicon pad detectors after mixed irradiations with neutrons and fast charged hadrons", NIMA 609 (2009) 142-148]



• A 'simplified' explanation for the 'compensation effects'

negative

- Defect clusters produce predominantly **negative space charge**
- Point defects produce predominantly **positive space charge** (in '<u>oxygen rich</u>' silicon)

For the experts: Note the NIEL violation

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### Advantage of non-inverting material p-in-n detectors (schematic figures!)



Fully depleted detector (non – irradiated):





inverted to "p-type", under-depleted:

- Charge spread degraded resolution
- Charge loss reduced CCE

#### non-inverted, under-depleted:

•Limited loss in CCE

#### •Less degradation with under-depletion

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

- Charge spread degraded resolution
- Charge loss reduced CCE

n-on-p silicon, under-depleted:
Limited loss in CCE
Less degradation with under-depletion
Collect electrons (3 x faster than holes)

#### Comments:

- Instead of n-on-p also n-on-n devices could be used







- Dominant junction close to n+ readout strip for FZ n-in-p
- For MCZ p-in-n even more complex fields have been reported:
  - no "type inversion" (SCSI) = dominant field remains at p implant
  - "equal double junctions" with almost symmetrical fields on both sides



- **n-in-p microstrip p-type FZ detectors** (Micron, 280 or 300µm thick, 80µm pitch, 18µm implant )
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- Why do planar silicon sensors with n-strip readout give such high signals after high levels (>10<sup>15</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup>) of irradiation?
  - Extrapolation of charge trapping parameters obtained at lower fluences would predict much lower signal!
  - Assumption: 'Charge multiplication effects' as even CCE > 1 was observed





## **Charge Multiplication – Epi Diodes**





#### [J.Lange et al., 14<sup>th</sup> RD50 Workshop, June 2009]

- Epi diodes, 75 and 150 µm thick
- Measured trapping probability found to be proportional to fluence and consistent with values extracted in FZ
- Multiplication effect stronger for 75 µm diodes
- Smaller penetration depth (670 nm laser)
   → stronger charge multiplication



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## **Annealing studies on strip sensors**



[I.Mandic, 15th RD50 Workshop, Nov.09 – Measured on HPK ATLAS sensors]

#### • p-type strip sensor; $\Phi_{eq} = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ (neutrons) [ATLAS – HPK – sensors]







## **Further annealing studies**



[G.Casse, Trento Workshop, Feb.2010 – Measured on HPK ATLAS sensors]

- p-type strip sensor; [ATLAS HPK]
- $\Phi_{eq} = 1 \times 10^{15} n_{eq} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  (26MeV protons)



### Signal to Noise



- Stable operation of n-in-p sensors without cooling during maintenance periods seems feasible
- Still long way to fully understand high voltage operation of highly irradiated sensors



## **3D** detector - concept





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## **Example: Testbeam of 3D-DDTC**



#### • DDTC – Double sided double type column UBM/bump [G.Fleta, RD50 Workshop, June 2007] Passivation Metal Oxide n-type Si 50µm - doped TEOS oxide 2µm 10um 300µm Poly 3µm n+ doped n+ doped 50µm Metal 55µm pitch

- Testbeam data Example: efficiency map [M.Koehler, Freiburg Uni, RD50 Workshop June 09]
- Processing of 3D sensors is challenging, but many good devices with reasonable production yield produced.
- Competing e.g. for ATLAS IBL pixel sensors



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• Signal to Noise

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## **Use of other semiconductor materials?**



| Property                             | Diamond          | GaN              | 4H SiC             | Si               |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| E <sub>g</sub> [eV]                  | 5.5              | 3.39             | 3.3                | (1.12)           |
| E <sub>breakdown</sub> [V/cm]        | 107              | $4 \cdot 10^{6}$ | $2.2 \cdot 10^{6}$ | $3 \cdot 10^{5}$ |
| $\mu_{\rm e}  [{\rm cm}^2/{\rm Vs}]$ | 1800             | 1000             | 800                | 1450             |
| $\mu_{\rm h}  [{\rm cm}^2/{\rm Vs}]$ | 1200             | 30               | 115                | 450              |
| v <sub>sat</sub> [cm/s]              | $2.2 \cdot 10^7$ | -                | $2.10^{7}$         | $0.8 \cdot 10^7$ |
| e-h energy [eV]                      | (13)             | 8.9              | 7.6-8.4            | (3.6)            |
| e-h pairs/X <sub>0</sub>             | 4.4              | ~2-3             | 4.5                | 10.1             |

- Diamond: wider bandgap
   ⇒ lower leakage current
   ⇒ less cooling needed
- Signal produced by m.i.p: Diamond 36 e/µm Si 89 e/µm
   ⇒ Si gives more charge than diamond

• GaAs, SiC and GaN ⇒ strong radiation damage observed ⇒ no potential material for sLHC detectors (judging on the investigated material)

Diamond (<u>RD42</u>) ⇒ good radiation tolerance (*see later*)
 ⇒ already used in LHC beam condition monitoring systems
 ⇒ considered as potential detector material for sLHC pixel sensors

poly-CVD Diamond -16 chip ATLAS pixel module



single crystal CVD Diamond of few cm<sup>2</sup>



Diamnond sensors are heavily used in LHC Experiments for Beam Monitoring

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## Are diamond sensor radiation hard?









[RD42, LHCC Status Report, Feb. 2010]

- Most published results on 23 GeV protons
- 70 MeV protons 3 times more damaging than 23 GeV protons
- 25 MeV protons seem to be even more damaging (Preliminary: RD42 about to cross check the data shown to the left)
- In line with NIEL calc. for Diamond [W. de Boer et al. Phys.Status Solidi 204:3009,2007]

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Note: Measured partly under different conditions! Lines to guide the eye (no modeling)!

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highest fluence for strip detectors in LHC: The used p-in-n technology is sufficient n-in-p technology should be sufficient for Super-LHC at radii presently (LHC) occupied by strip sensors



## **Silicon** materials for Tracking Sensors



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### • Signal comparison for various Silicon sensors



- All sensors suffer from radiation damage
- Presently three options for innermost pixel layers under investigation:
  - **3-D silicon sensors** (decoupling drift distance from active depth)
  - Diamond sensors
  - Silicon planar sensors



## **Ongoing Work / Open Questions**





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  - Neutrons induce predominantly defects that are negatively charged
  - Mixed Fields: Compensation?
- Mixed irradiations:
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Mixed Irradiation: Damage additive!





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### Radiation Damage in Silicon Detectors

• Change of <u>Depletion Voltage</u> (internal electric field, "type inversion",

reverse annealing, ...) (can be influenced by defect engineering!)

- Increase of <u>Leakage Current</u> (same for all silicon materials)
- Increase of <u>Charge Trapping</u> (same for all silicon materials)

#### <u>Signal to Noise ratio</u> is quantity to watch (material + geometry + electronics)

- Microscopic defects & Defect Engineering
  - Good understanding of damage after γ-irradiation (point defects)
  - Defects after hadron damage still to be better understood (cluster defects) although enormous progress in last 5 years a big question remains: Which are the defects responsible for the charge trapping?
- Approaches to obtain radiation tolerant devices:
  - Material Engineering: explore and develop new silicon materials
  - **Device Engineering:** 3D, thin sensors, n-in-p, n-in-n, ...

⇒ To obtain ultra radiation hard sensors a combination of material and device engineering approaches depending on radiation environment, application and available readout electronics will be best solution





• At fluences up to 10<sup>15</sup>cm<sup>-2</sup> (outer layers of SLHC detector):

The change of the depletion voltage and the large area to be covered by detectors are major problems.

- MCZ silicon detectors: n-MCZ show good performance in mixed fields due to compensation of charged hadron damage and neutron damage (N<sub>eff</sub> compensation) (more work needed)
- <u>p-type silicon</u> microstrip detectors show very encouraging results: CCE ≈ 6500 e; Φ<sub>eq</sub> = 4×10<sup>15</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>, 300µm, immunity against reverse annealing!
   This is presently the "most considered option" for the ATLAS SCT upgrade
- At fluences > 10<sup>15</sup>cm<sup>-2</sup> (Inner SLHC layers or innermost upgraded LHC pixel) The active thickness of any silicon material is significantly reduced due to trapping. Collection of electrons at electrodes essential: Use n-in-p or n-in-n detectors!
  - Recent results show that <u>planar silicon</u> sensors might still give sufficient signal, (still some interest in epitaxial silicon and thin sensor options)
  - **3D detectors : looks promising, drawback: technology has to be optimized!** Many collaborations and sensor producers working on this.
  - **Diamond** has become an interesting option (*Higher damage due to low energy protons?*)
- Questions to be answered:
  - a) Can we profit from the avalanche effects and control them ?
  - b) Can we profit from MCZ (mixed field operation?)

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- Anthony Affolder: Presentations on the RD50 Workshop in June 2009 (sATLAS fluence levels)
- Frank Hartmann: Presentation at the VCI conference in February 2010 (Diamond results)
- ... most references to particular works given on slides.

Further information about RD50 activities: http://cern.ch/rd50/ Further R&D: RD42, RD39, ATLAS & CMS detector upgrade meetings, ATLAS IBL

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