

Bulk defects

(microscopic defects, measurement methods)

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Movie: Life of Brian



How do I cope with having
10 quadrillion particles thrown at me?*



* 10^{16} fluence/cm² at 4 cm high luminosity LHC

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Radiation exposure

LHC expected fluence:

$$L=10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

→ 10 years Φ (r=4 cm)

$$\sim 3 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

High luminosity LHC

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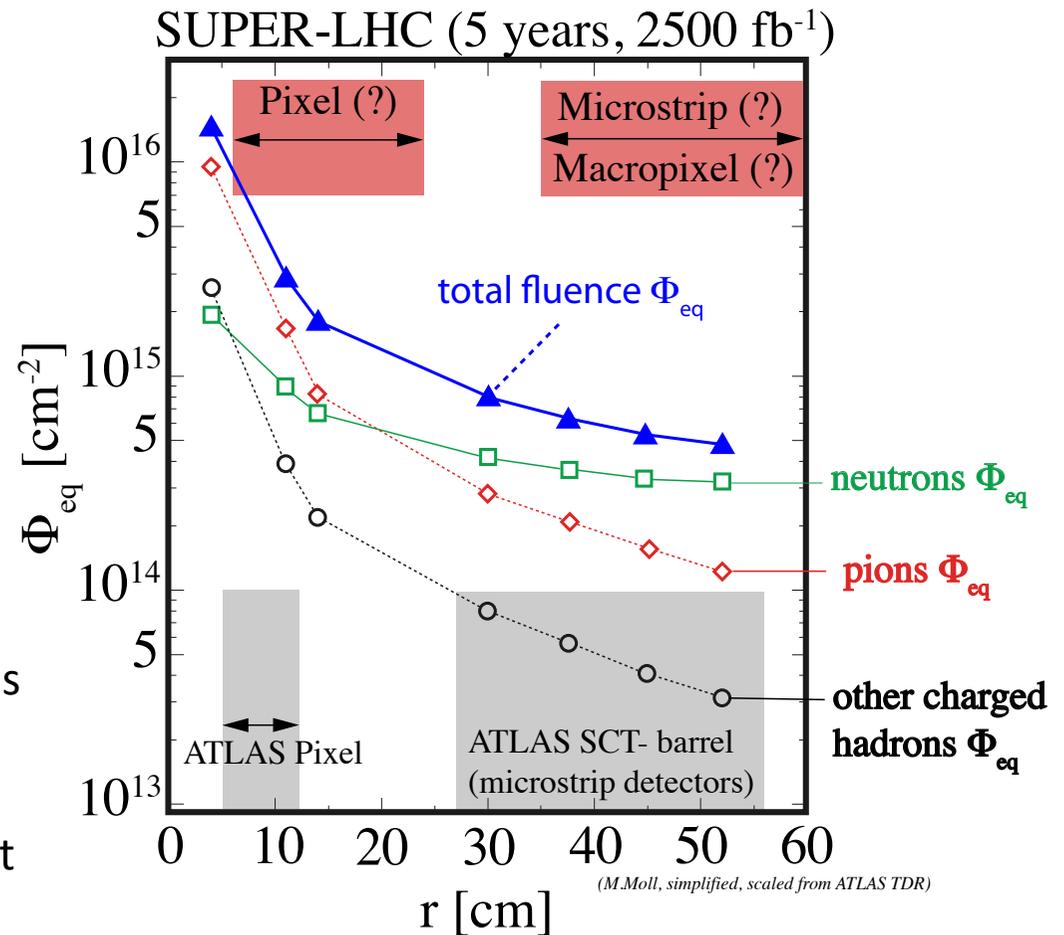
$$\sim 1.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

No currently used material withstands this environment

→ Increase of signal loss

→ Distance to interaction point important for particle type and fluence

Aim: find best material and geometry for *high luminosity* LHC applications

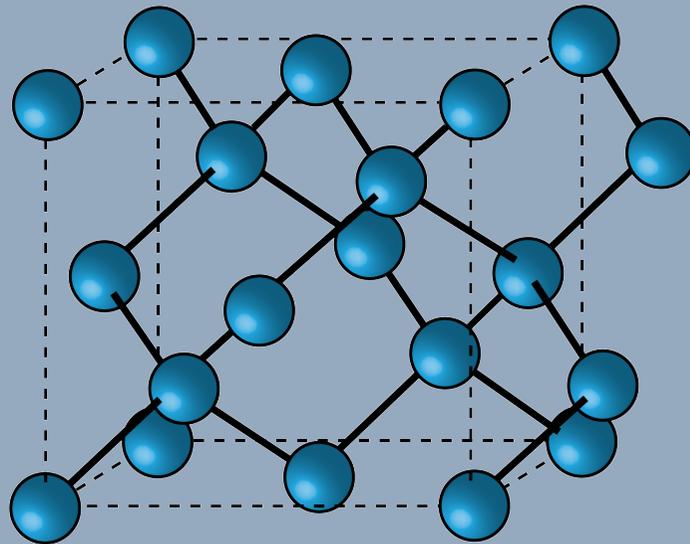
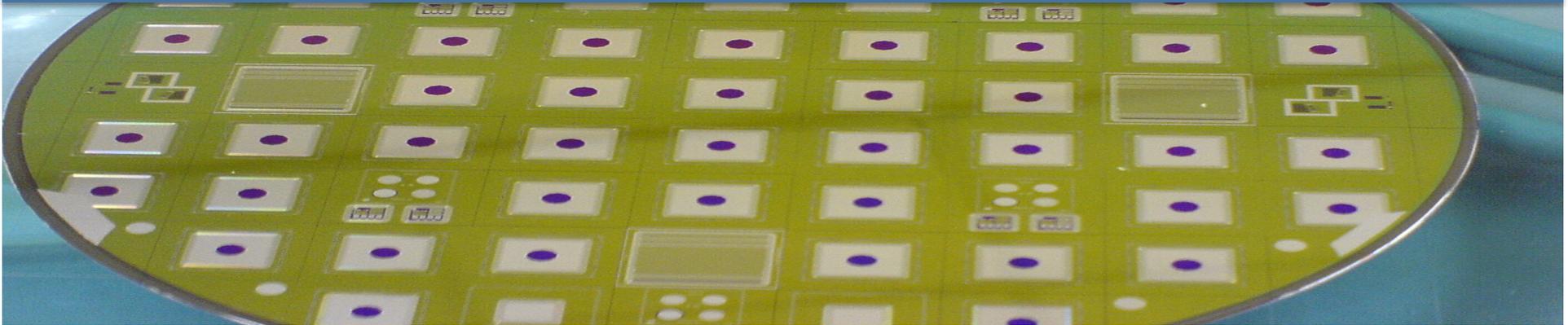


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Silicon



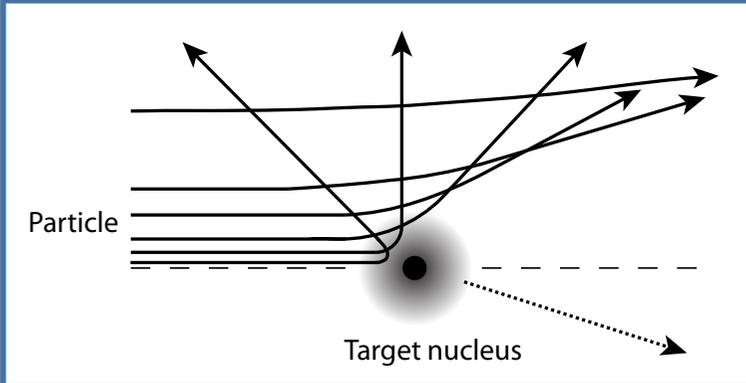
Diamond structure

Applications:

- Transistors (computer chips)
- Photovoltaic
- LCD' s
- Alloys
- Medical imaging
- X-ray diffraction
- Particle detectors...

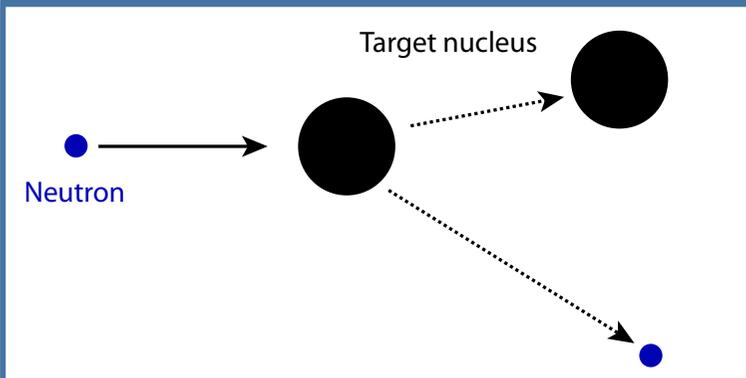
Non Ionising Energy Loss → bulk damage

Coulomb scattering



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Elastic nuclear scattering

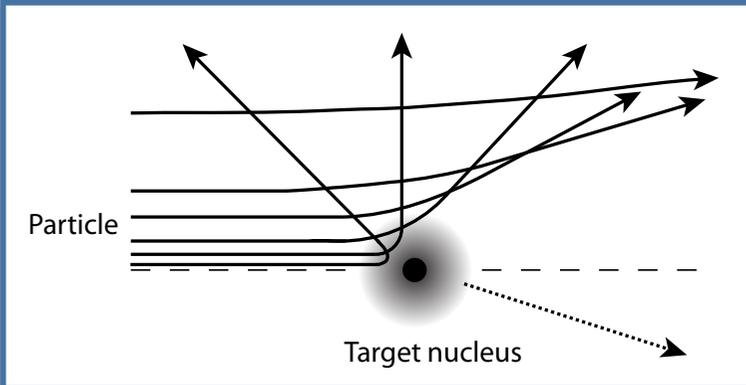


PKA Primary Knock on Atom (PKA)

Surface damage (Ionising Energy Loss) - oxide and oxide-si-interface damage (→lecture by E. Fretwurst)

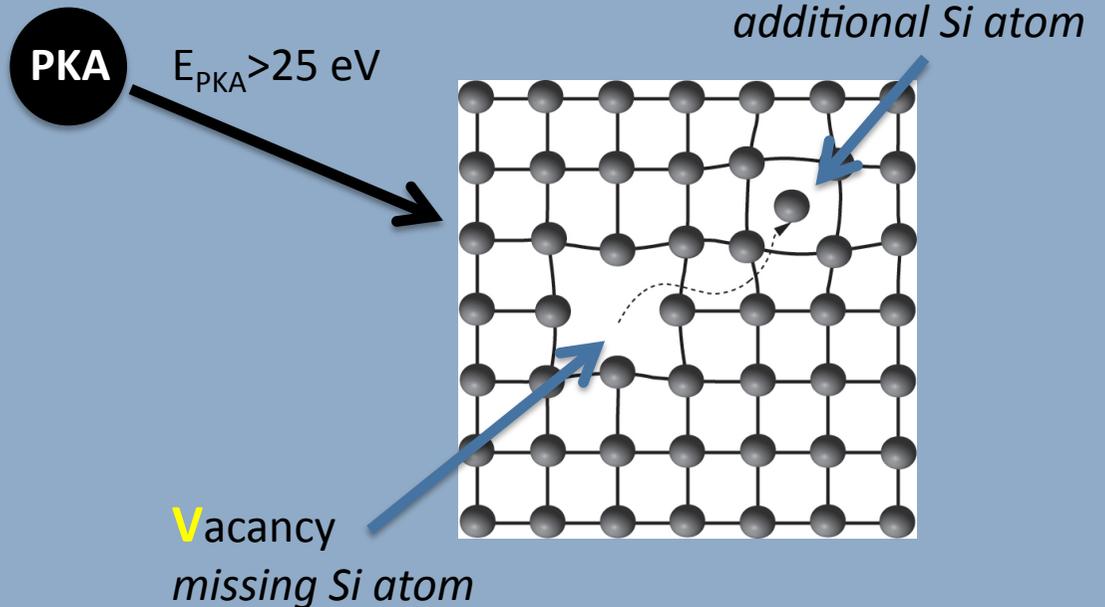
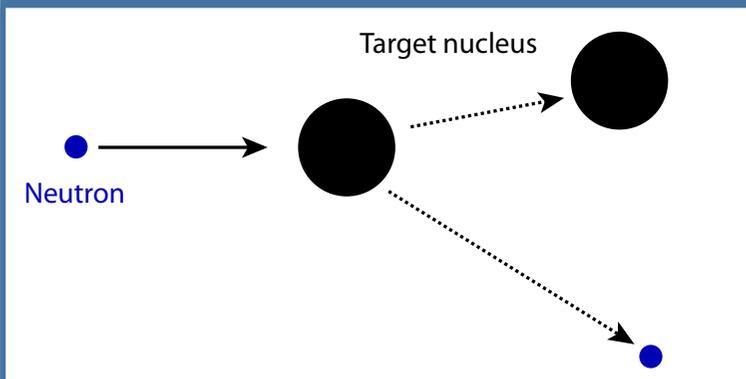
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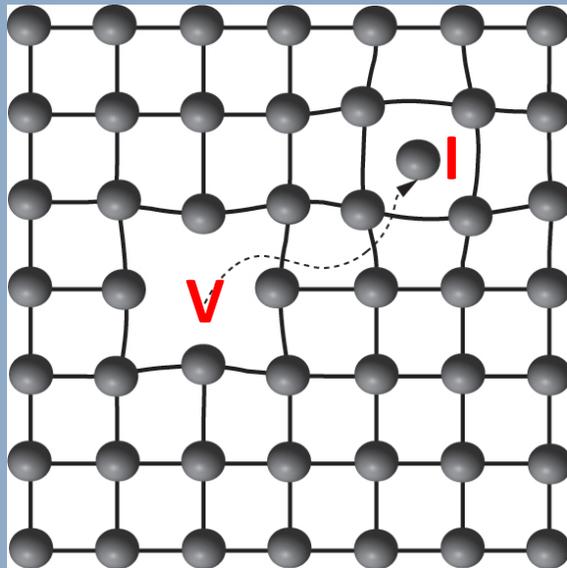
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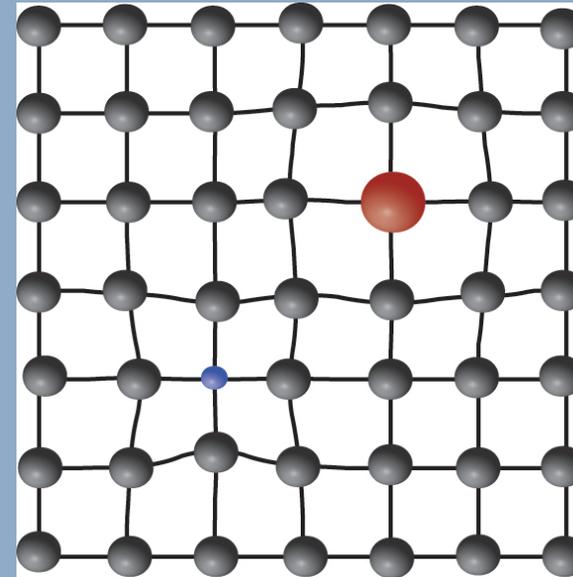
Radiation induced

Vacancies and Interstitials



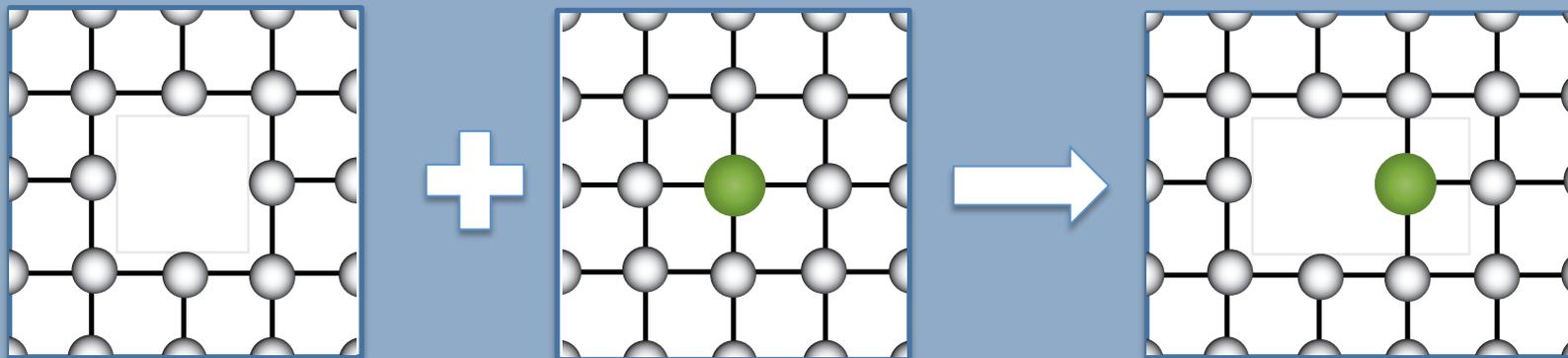
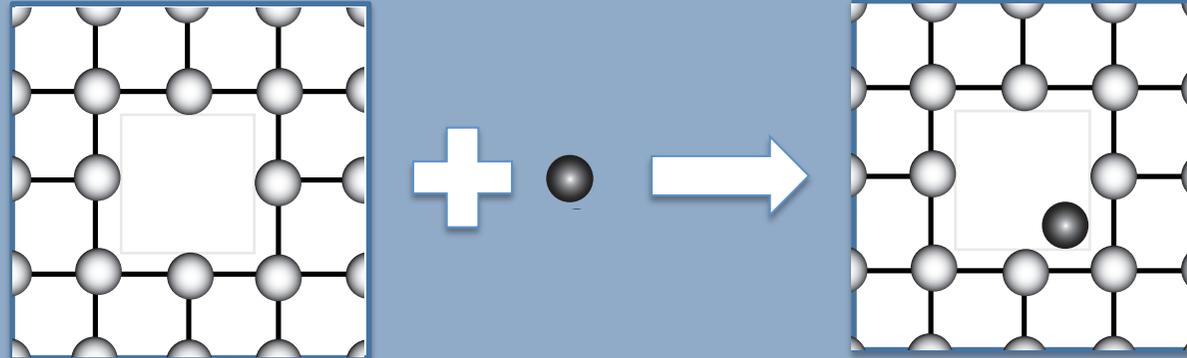
Material impurities

Oxygen, Carbon, Phosphorus, Boron...



Some defects are mobile at room temperature...

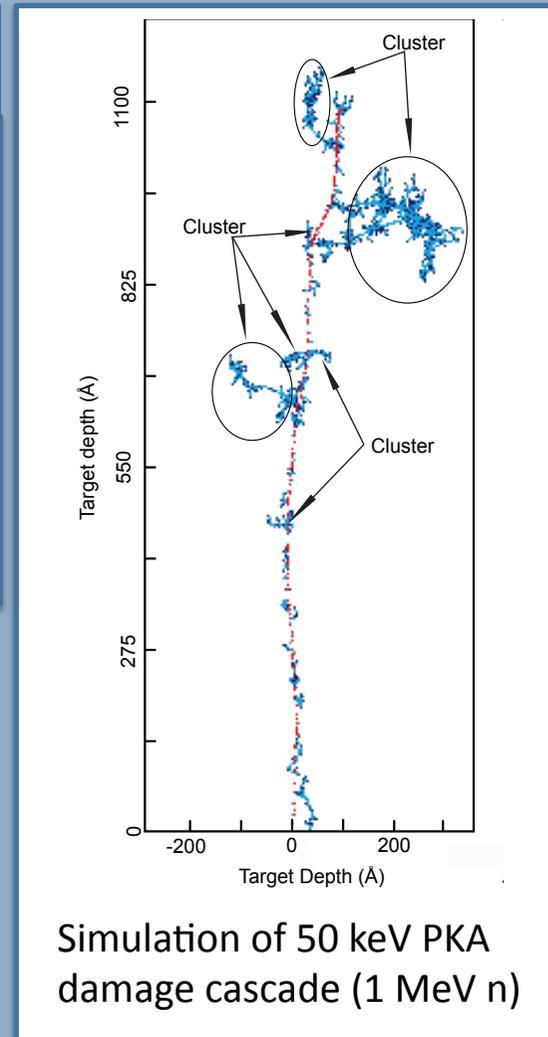
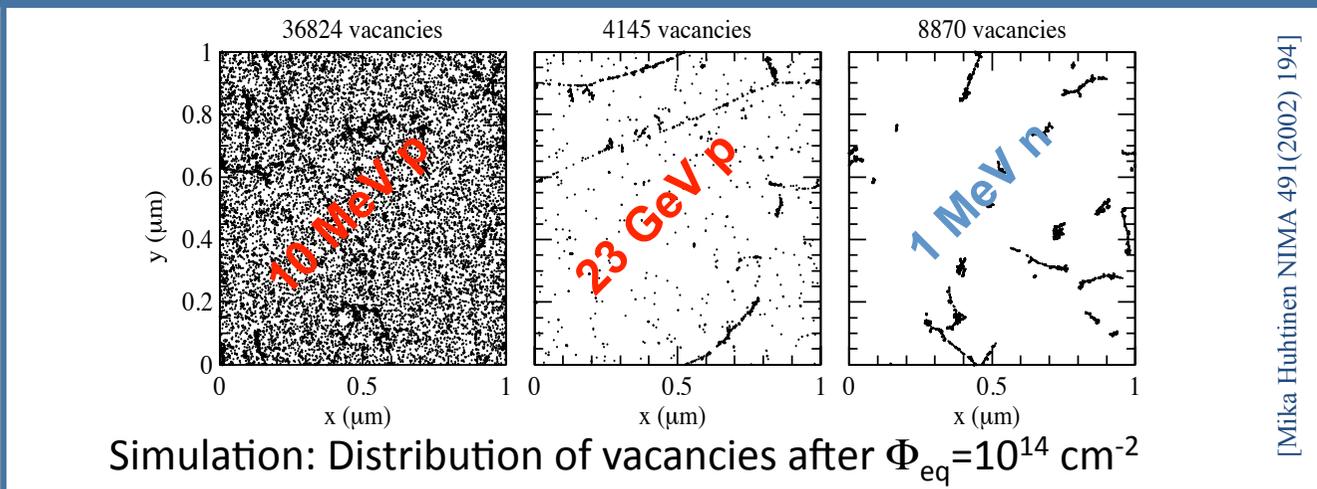
Formation of defect complexes



Single vacancies + impurities form point-like defects

Creation of defect cluster ($E_{PKA} > 5 \text{ keV}$)

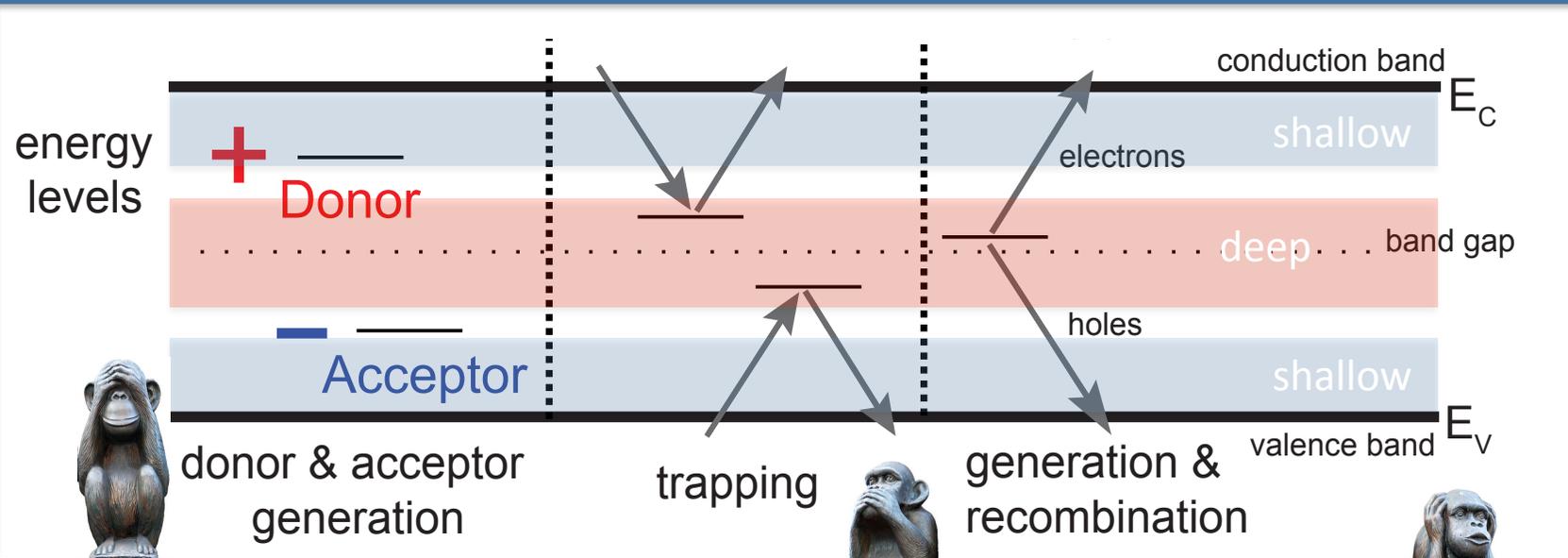
Depending on particle charge and mass



(1MeV) Particle	$^{60}\text{Co-}\gamma$	Electrons	Protons	Neutrons
Mean recoil energy	$\approx 1 \text{ MeV}$	46 eV	210 eV	50 keV
E_{min} for point defects		255 keV	185 eV	185 eV
E_{min} cluster		8 MeV	35 keV	35 keV

Impact of defects on detector properties

Determined by Shockley-Read-Hall statistics

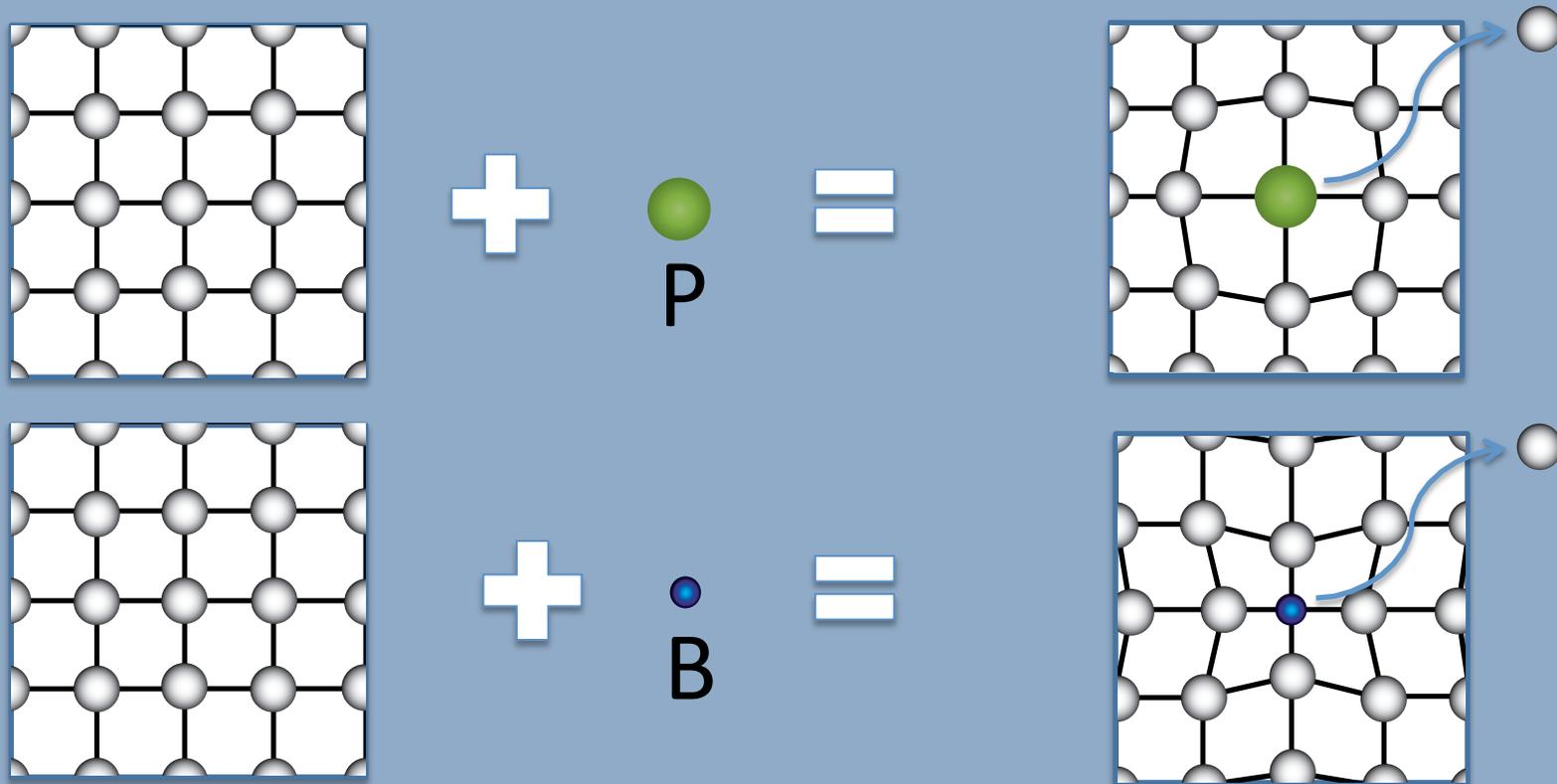


Charged defects (at RT)
 → N_{eff} , V_{dep}
 (Acceptors in the lower half and donors in the upper half of the band gap)

Deep defects
 → CCE
 (Shallow defects do not contribute due to detrapping)

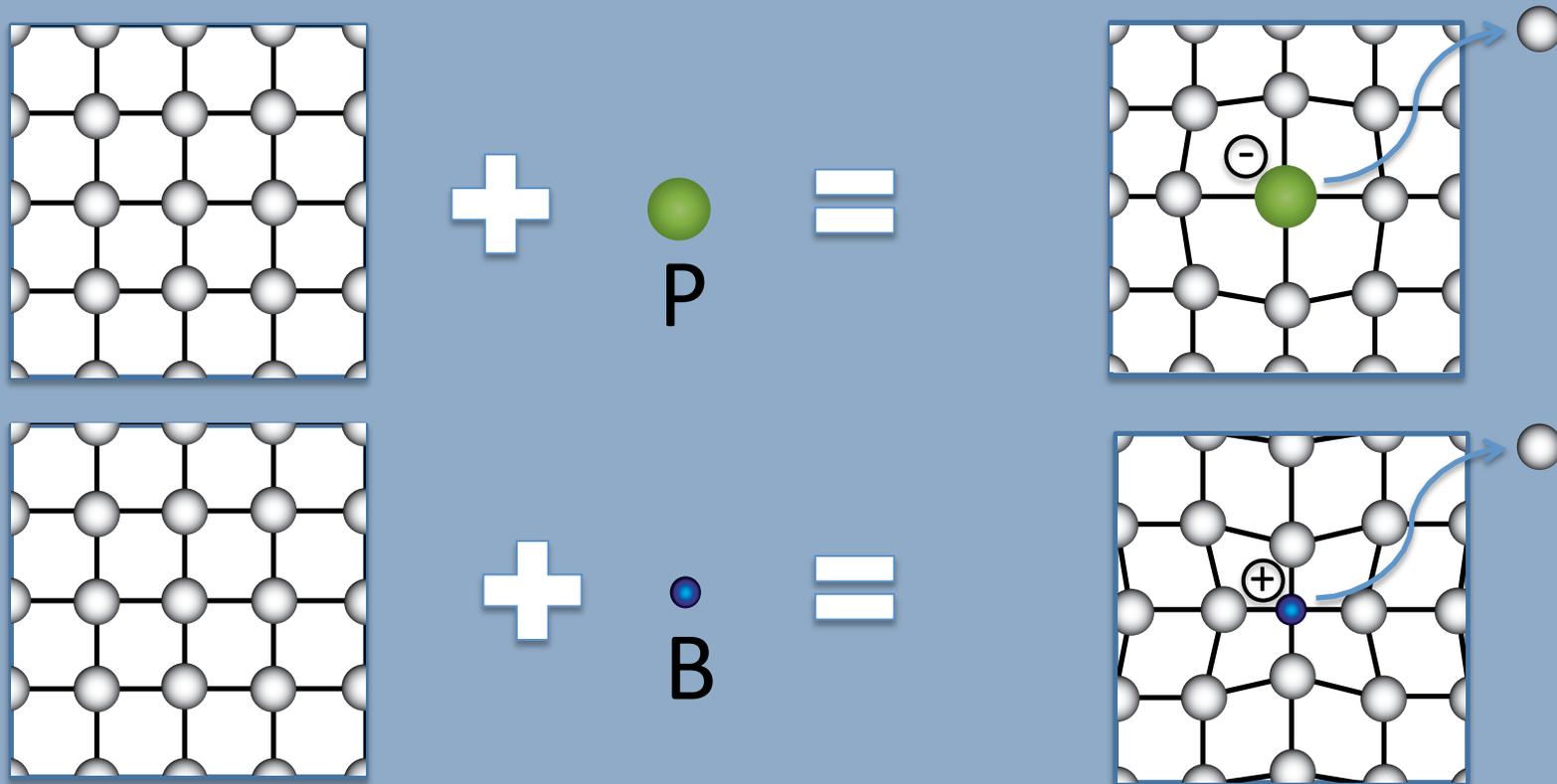
Levels close to midgap
 → I_{leak} (NOISE)
 (Defect levels close to midgap most effective)
 → Cooling during operation helps!

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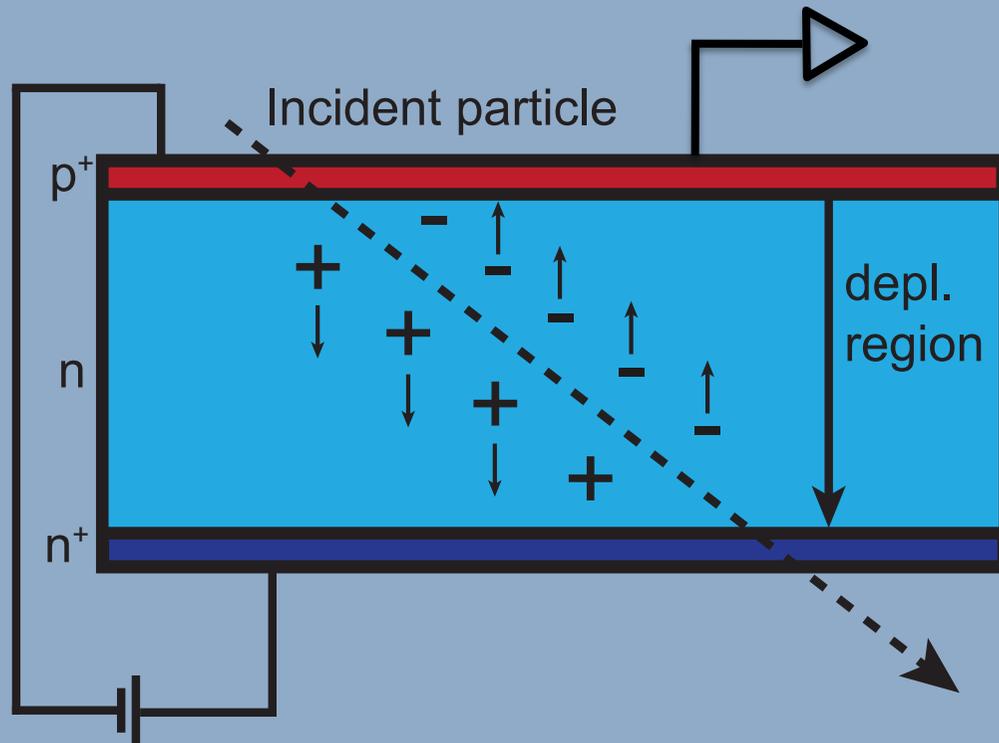
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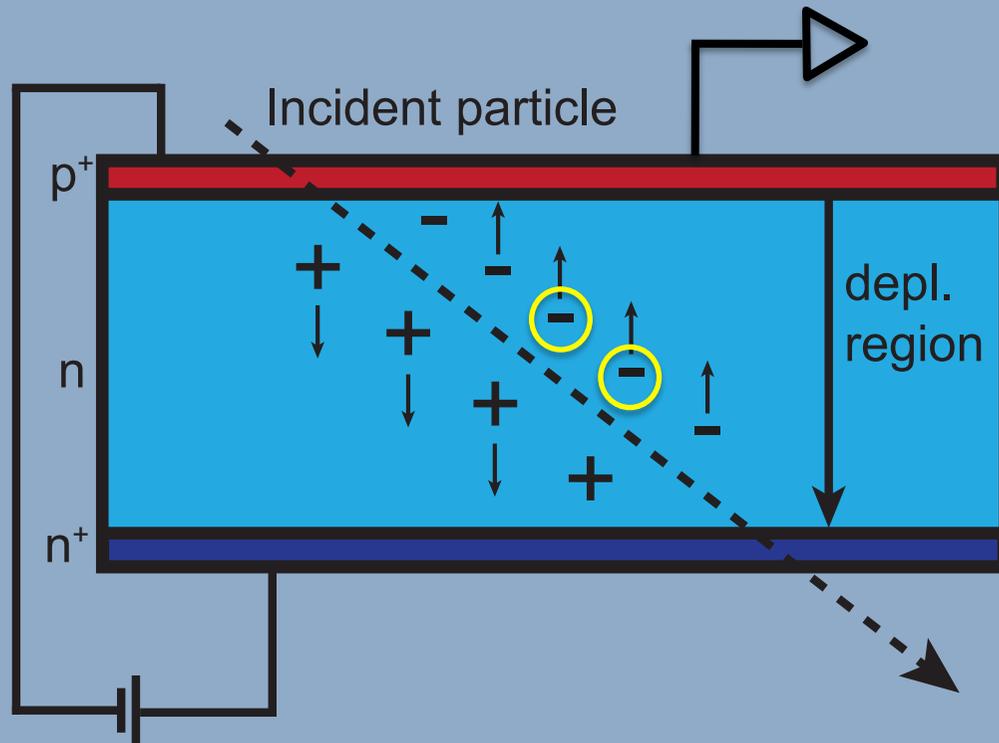
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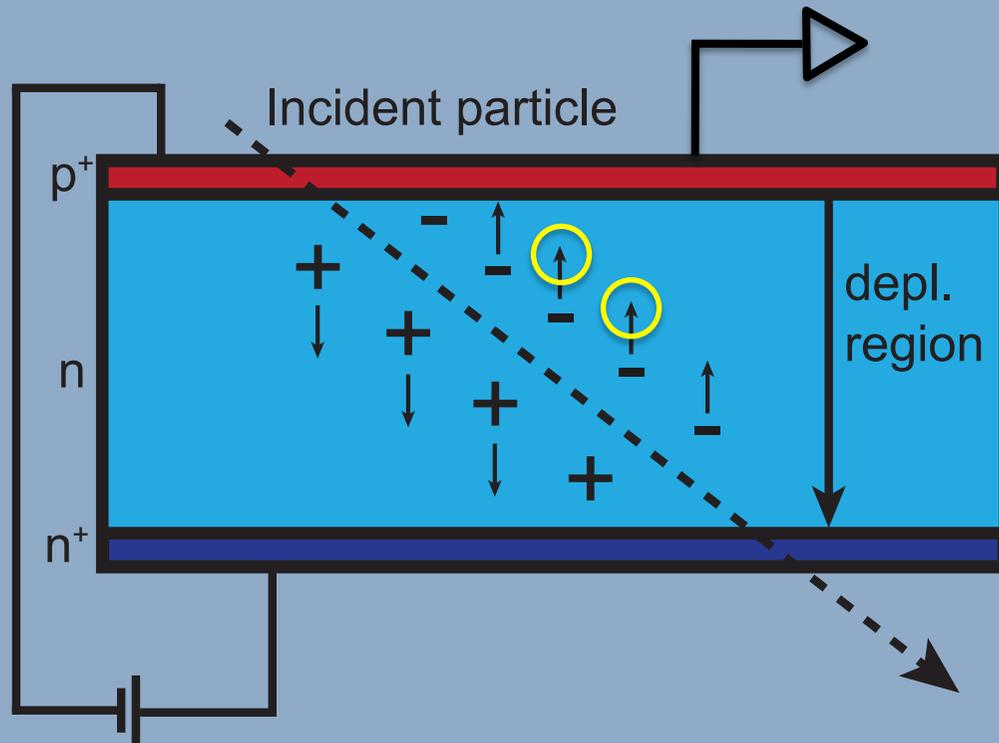
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Marble Maze



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Thermally Stimulated Current (TSC)	Charge capture-emission/ current	Defects properties and concentration	- Medium density of defects - Chemical nature (indirect)
Photoluminescence (PL)	Photon absorption-emission / luminescence	PL bands, defects ionisation energy	- Only for photo-active centers - Chemical nature (only indirect)
Infrared Absorption (IR)	Excitation of vibrational modes of molecules by IR absorption / Absorption of IR energy	Defects chemical structure and concentration	- Large density of defects - Electrical properties
Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR)	Zeeman effect and Spin resonance / microwave- photon absorption	Defects chemical structure and concentration	- Large density of defects - Only paramagnetic centers - Electrical properties
X-ray diffraction	Coherent interference/ Scattered intensity of X-ray beam	Atomic structure	- Only thin film/ nano structures - Only for Low defect variety
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Electrical methods

No information about electrical properties

Not tried yet

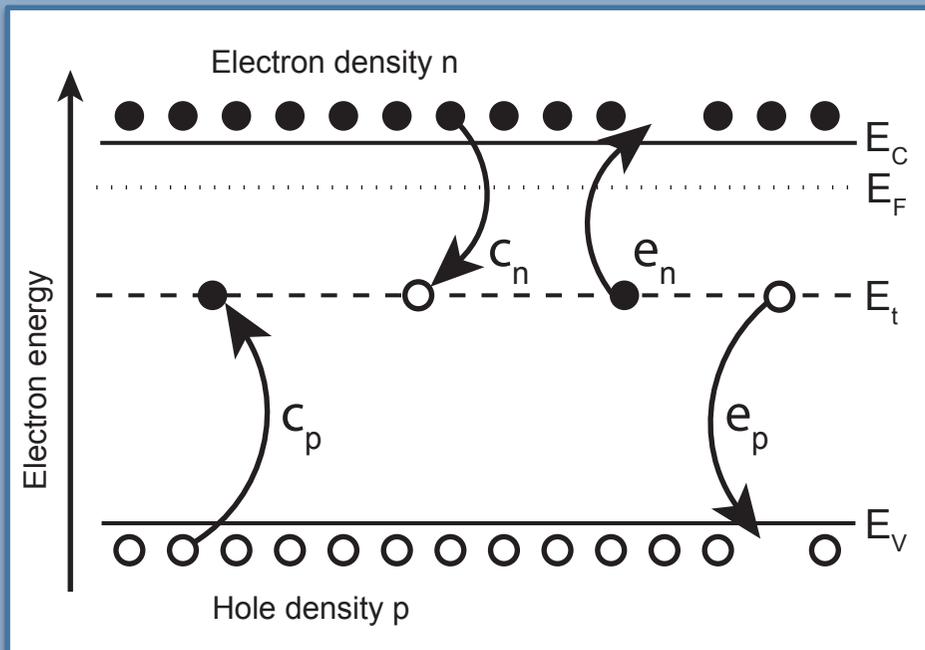
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Defect properties

Shockley-Read-Hall statistik

Occupancy of defect states with electrons or holes is determined by

$$\text{capture } c_{n,p} \propto \sigma_{n,p} \cdot n,p \quad \text{and emission } e_{n,p} \propto \sigma_{n,p} \cdot \exp\left(\pm \frac{E_t - E_{C,V}}{k_B T}\right)$$



Defect properties

$\sigma_{n,p}$: e^- , h^+ capture cross section
 E_a : activation energy for ionisation
 N_t : trap concentration

Capture of electrons always combined with hole emission and vice versa

De- and recharging offers possibility to detect defects

Charging techniques



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- Semi circles are charge trapping positions

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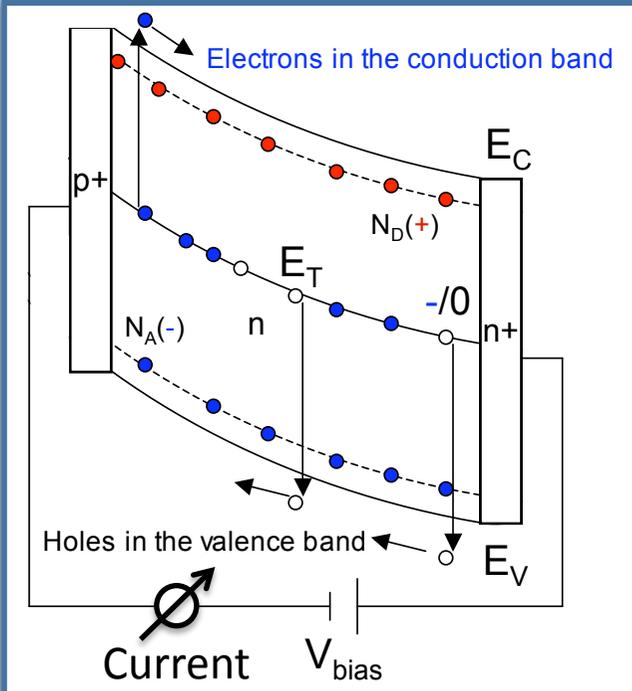


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Thermally Stimulated Current technique

TSC principle

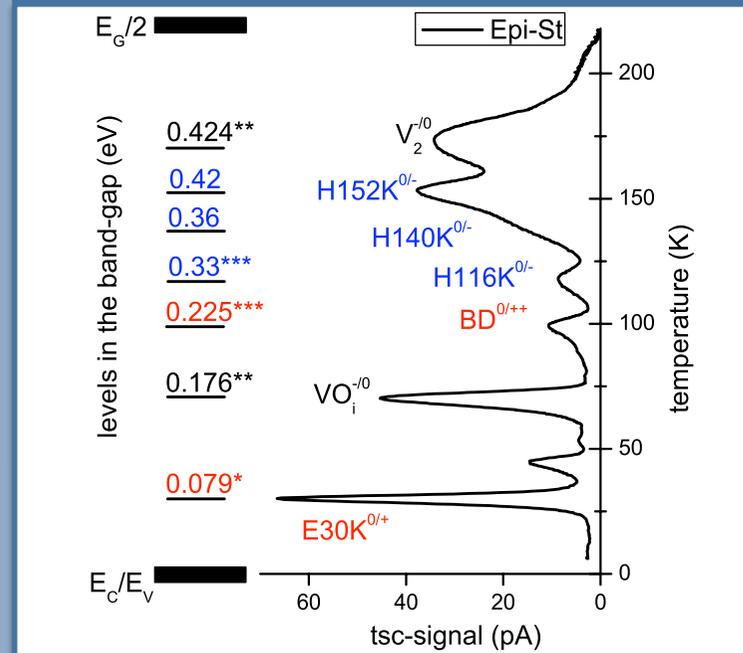


Single shot technique:

1. Filling of traps with charge carriers at low T (<30 K)
→ Filling (majority carriers with zero bias, majority and minority carriers by forward bias, light)

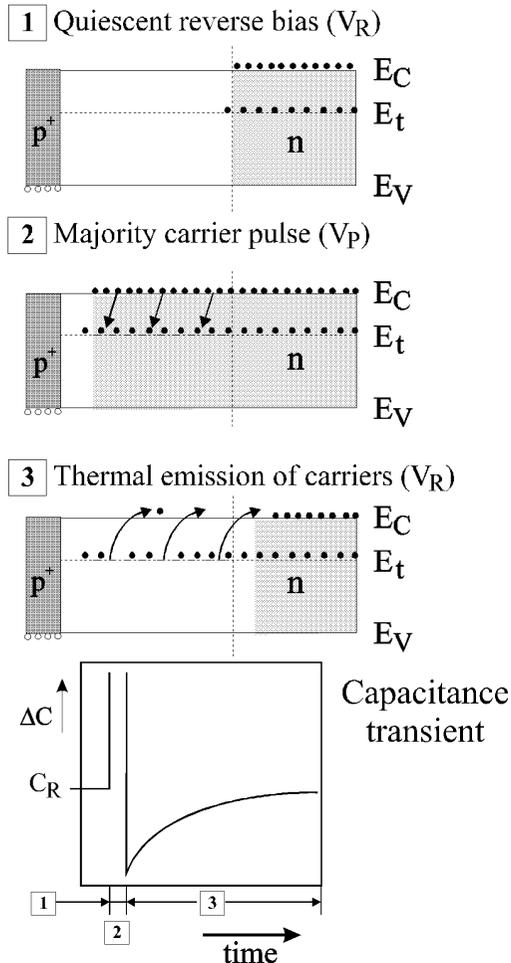
2. Recording of charge emission ($e_{n,p}$) from filled traps during constant heating
3. N_t from integral of TSC-current

• Signal as function of temperature



Deep Level Transient Spectroscopy

DLTS principle (electron traps)

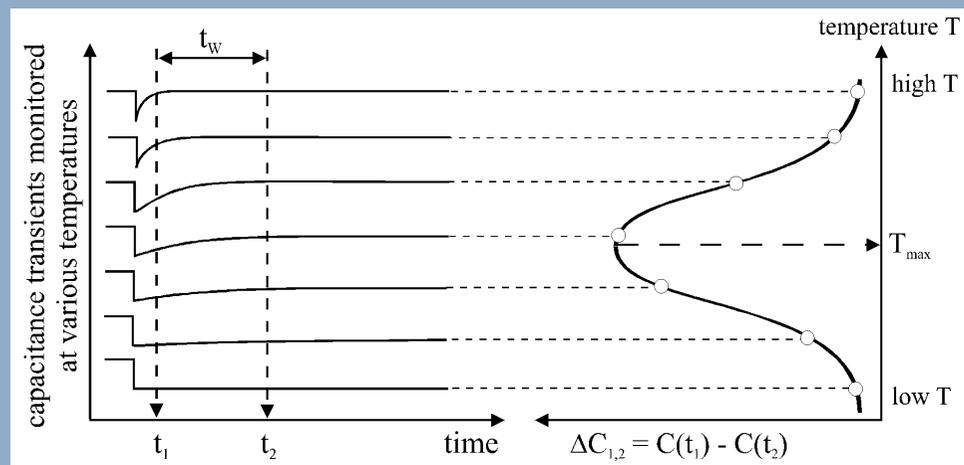


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Multi shot technique during T-scan:

1. Diode under reverse bias
2. Filling of traps with charge carriers at various T
3. Emission from filled traps \rightarrow change of capacitance

- Capacitance transients recorded as function of T
- Transient follows: $\Delta C = \Delta C_0 \exp(-e_n t)$
- Analysis from transient shape
- Concentration: $N_t \approx 2N_D \frac{\Delta C}{C_0}$

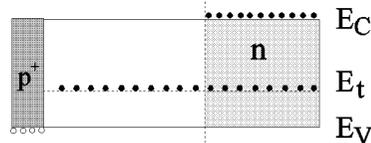


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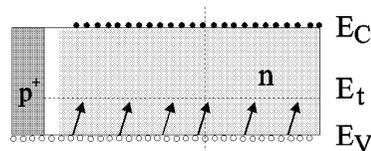
Filling of minority carriers (DLTS)

DLTS principle (hole traps)

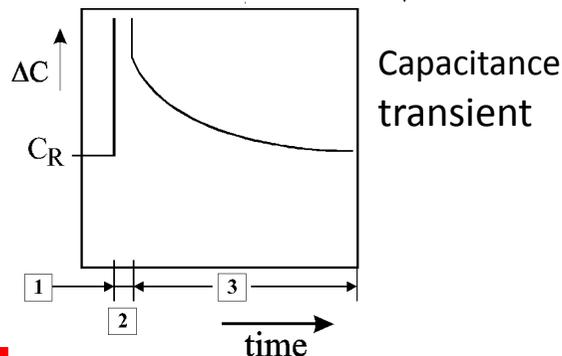
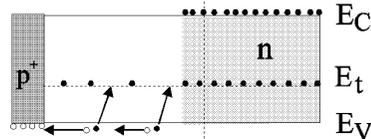
1 Quiescent reverse bias (V_R)



2 Injection pulse (V_P , forward bias)

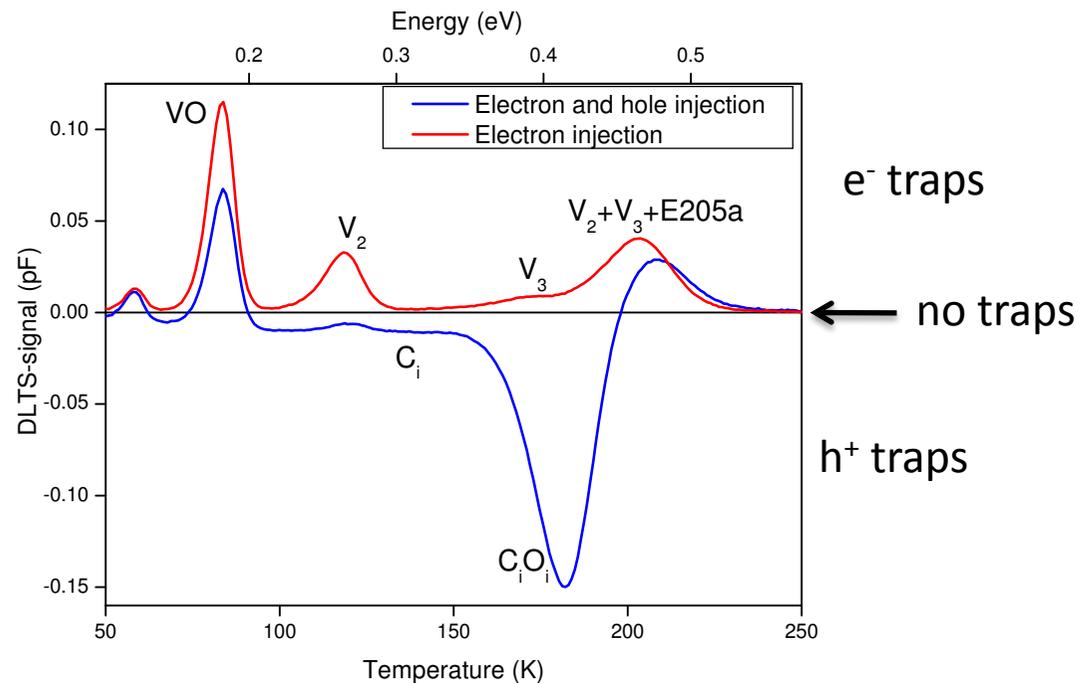


3 Thermal emission of carriers (V_R)



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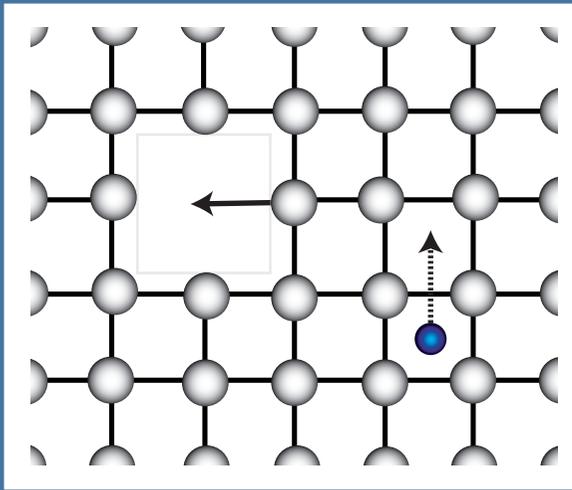
1. Diode under reverse bias
2. Filling of traps with forward bias (high current)
3. Emission from filled traps → change of capacitance



How connect bulk defects with sensor properties?

Annealing studies

Defect migration

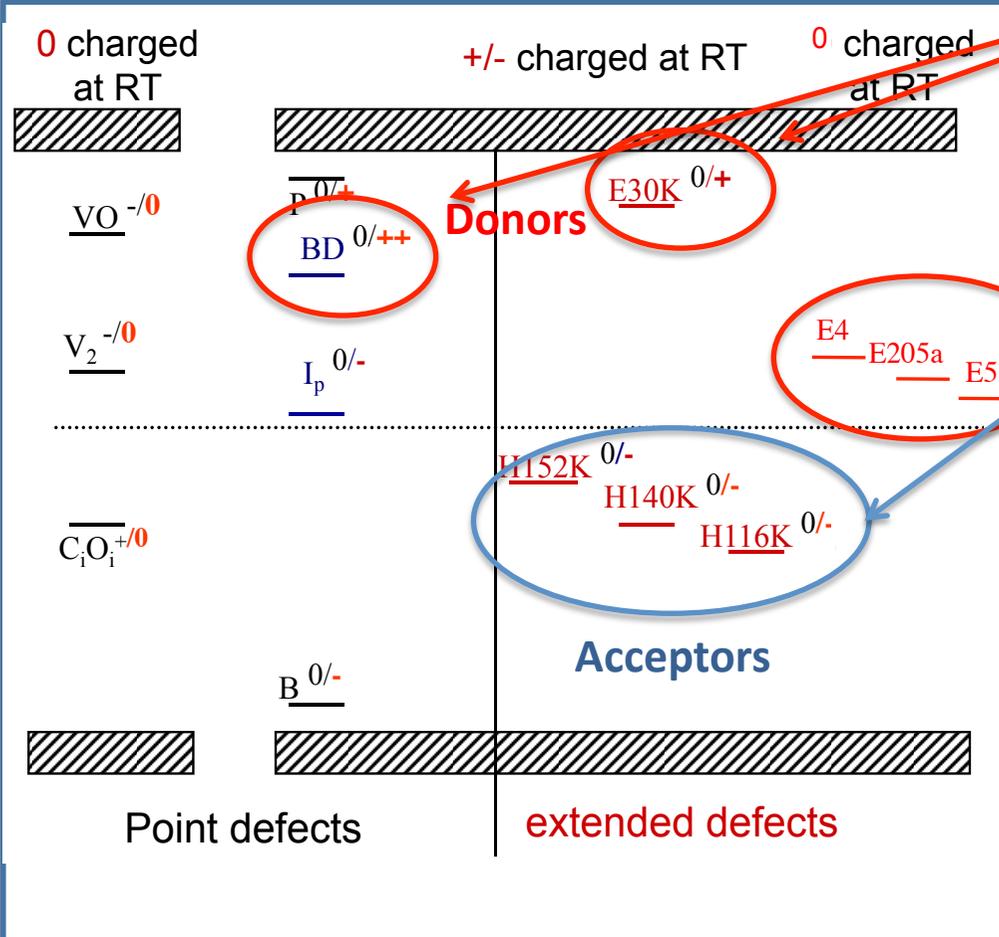


- Defect migration at room temperature
- Acceleration of process by heating

1. Annealing studies at low temperatures ($T < 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$)
 - Measurement of defect concentration and diode properties
 - Correlation of microscopic and macroscopic results→ Identification of defects with impact on sLHC conditions
→ Forecast changes of detector properties
2. Annealing at temperatures above $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - Measurement of different materials
 - Correlation of defects with material impurities→ Identification of chemical structure of defects
→ Extraction of defect properties

Understand correlation between microscopic and macroscopic effects

Defects in the Band Gap

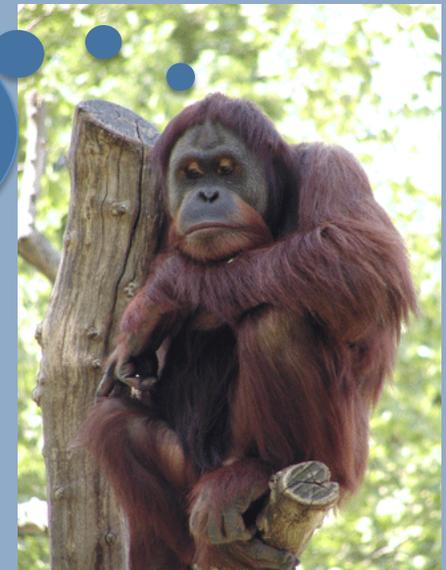


Positive space charge

Leakage current

Negative space charge

What am I doing here?



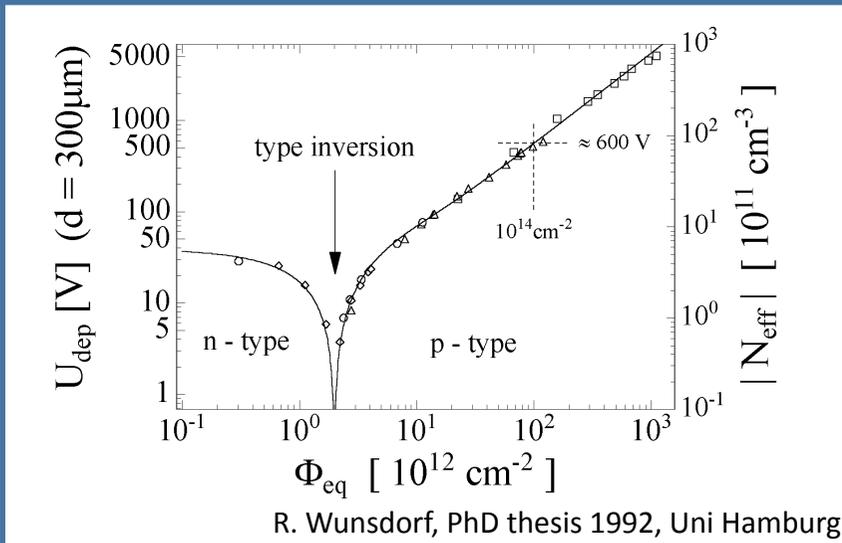
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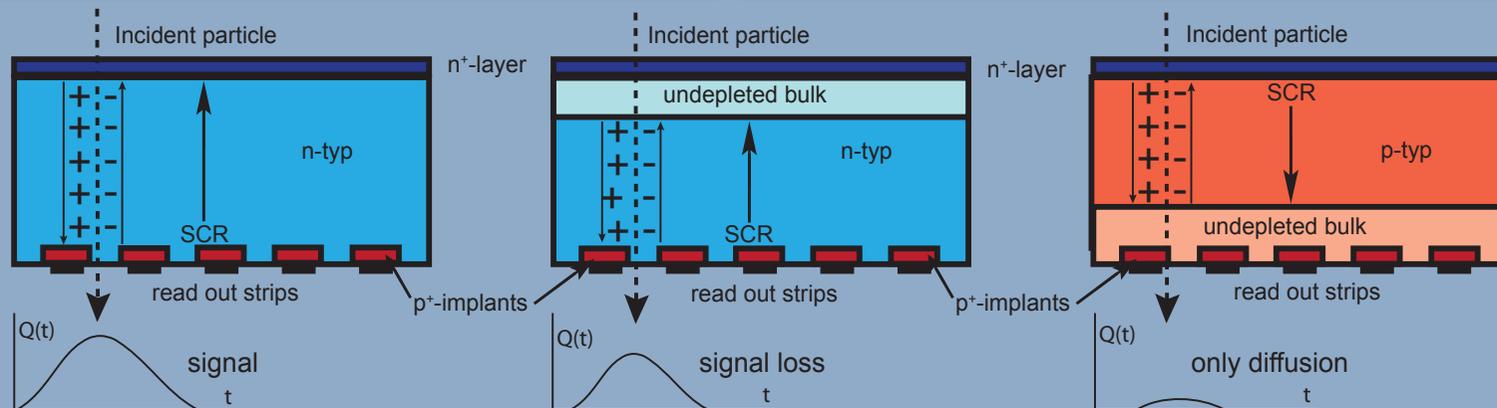
Depletion voltage

With particle fluence:



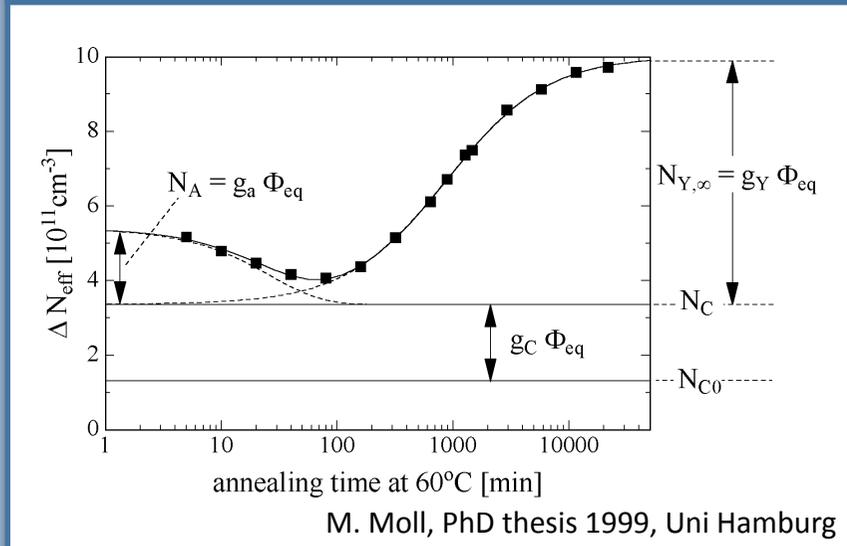
$$V_{dep} = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_0} \cdot |N_{eff}| \cdot d^2$$

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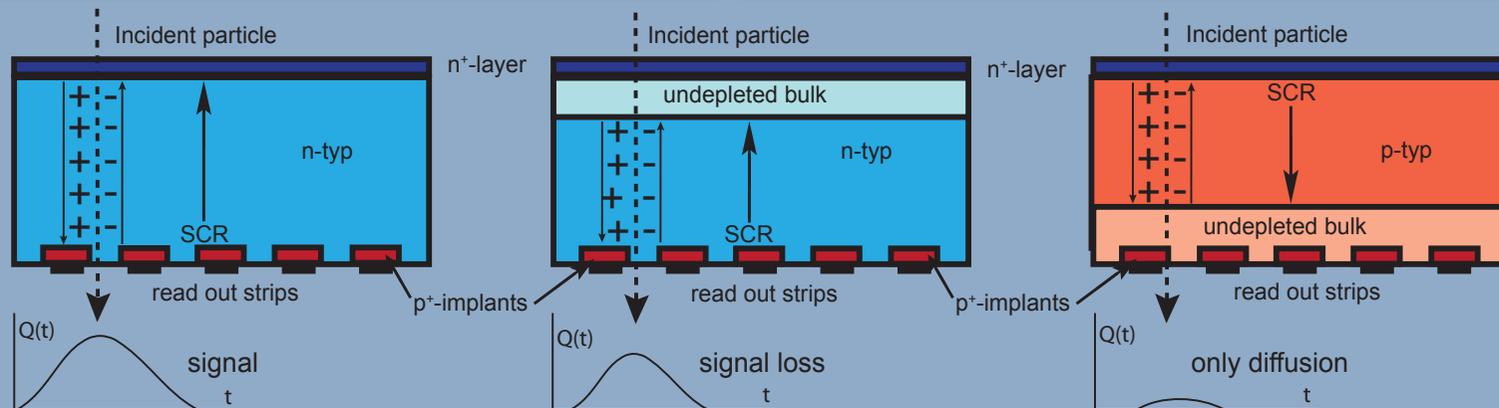
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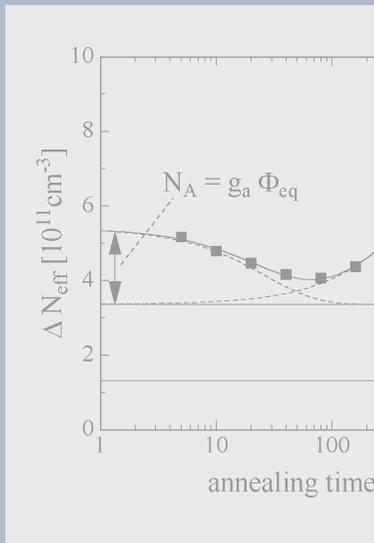
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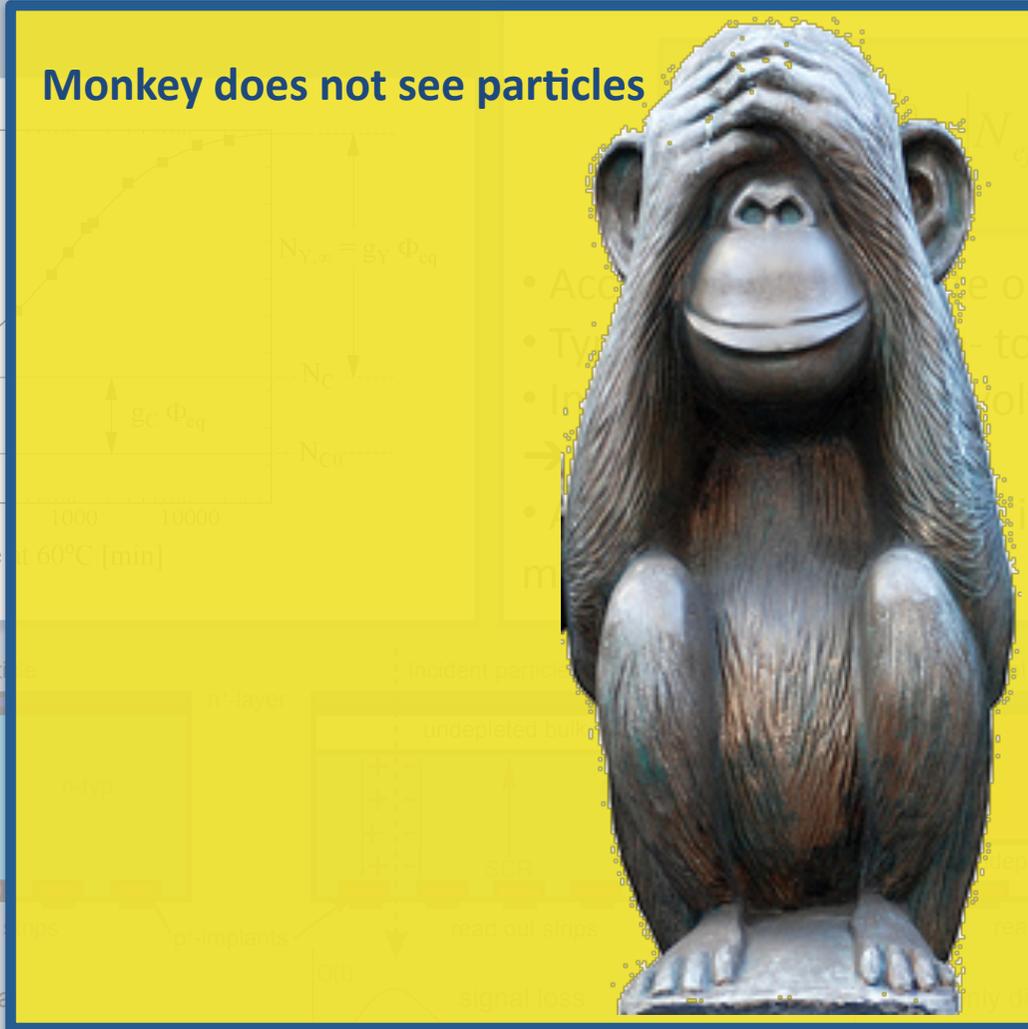


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Monkey does not see particles



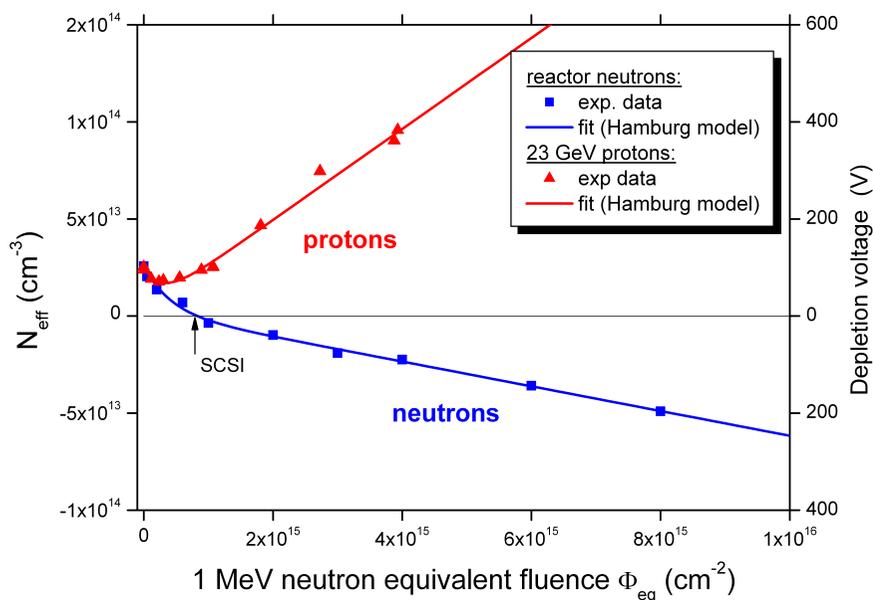
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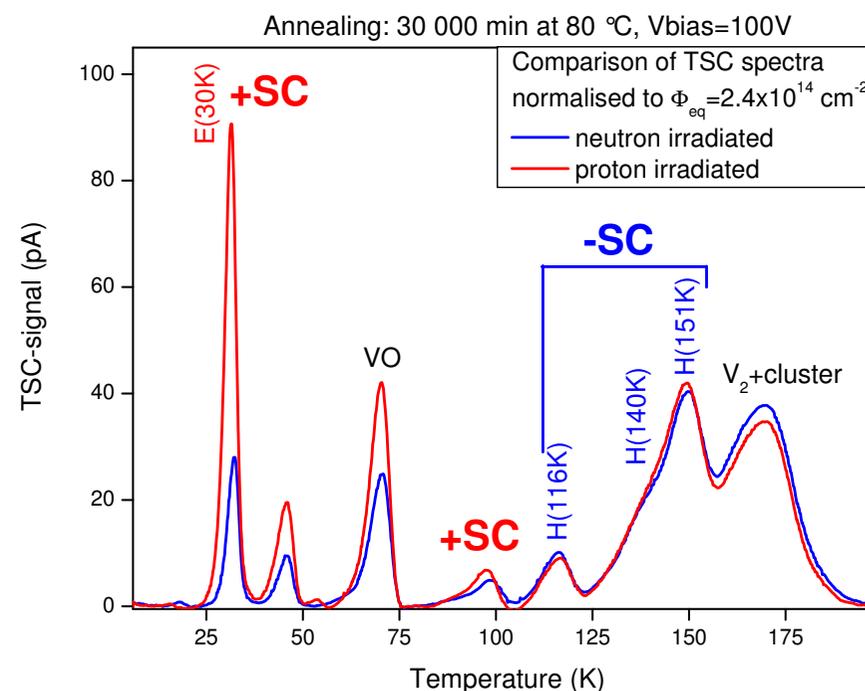
Defects with impact on N_{eff}

N_{eff} for n and p irradiation (CV) for Epi-Do



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Corresponding defects (TSC)



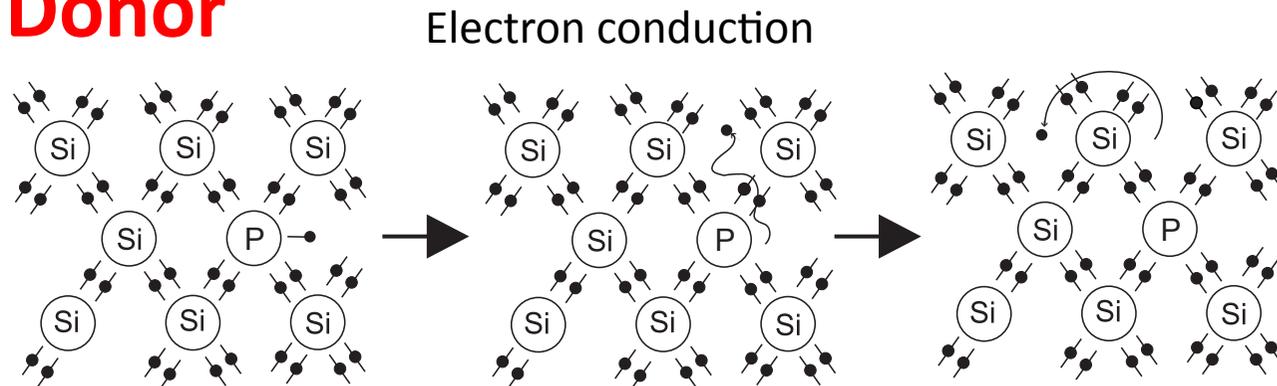
- Cluster defect E(30K) enhanced after protons
- Shallow donor E(30K) overcompensates deep acceptors

Phosphorus and boron doping

Donor

Phosphorus acts as donor

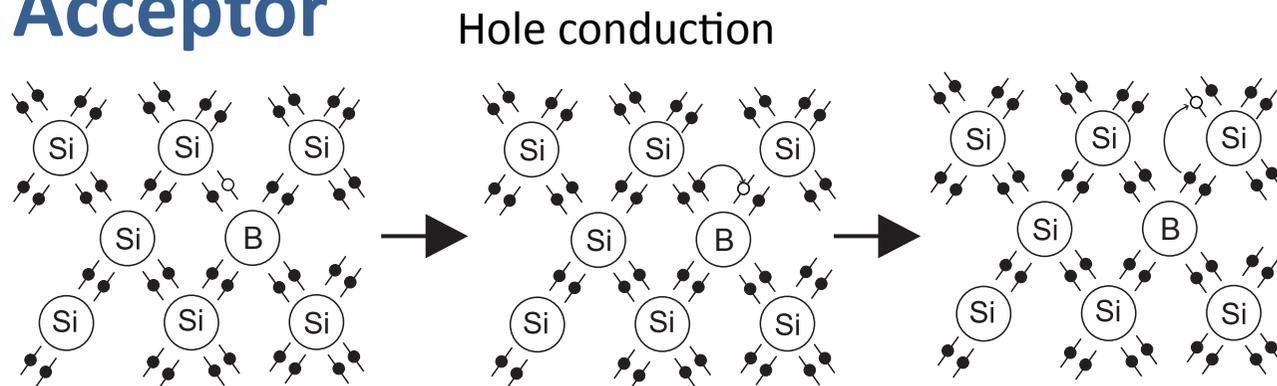
- Adds electrons
- Called n-type material



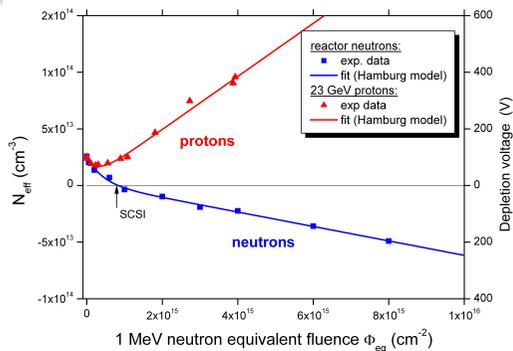
Acceptor

Boron acts as donor

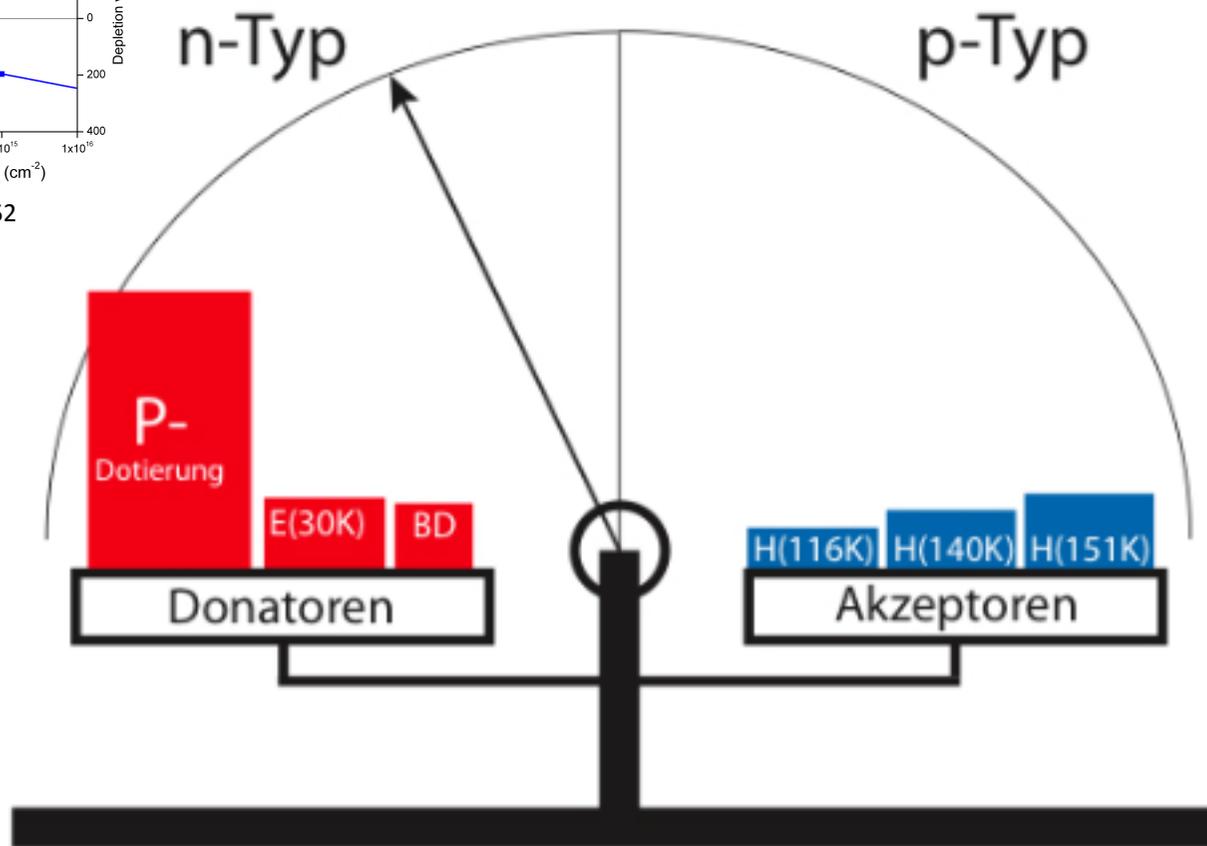
- Adds holes
- Called p-type material



Defect balance



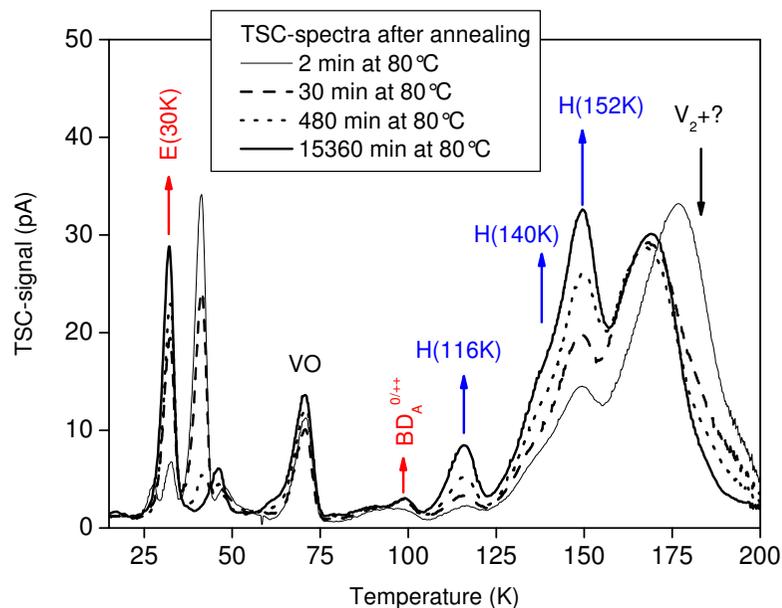
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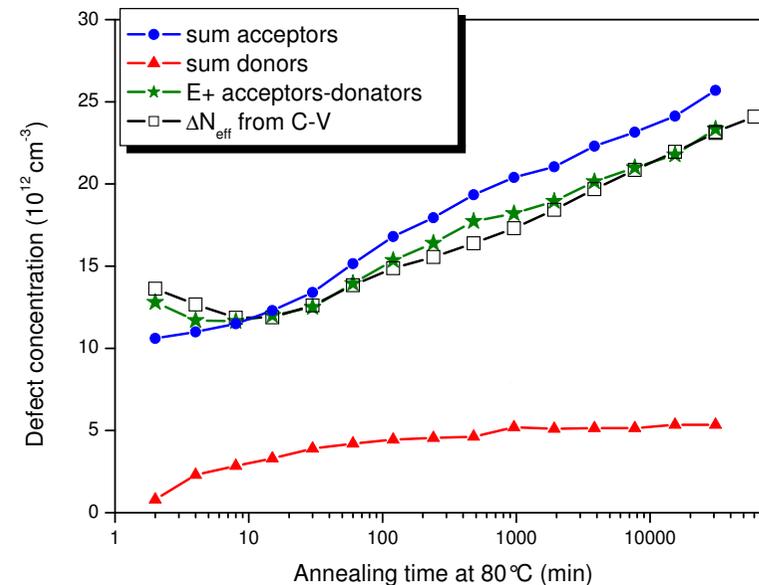


Annealing behaviour of N_{eff}

$2 \times 10^{14} \text{ p cm}^{-2}$, Epi-St 75 μm (TSC)



Defect concentrations vs N_{eff} (C-V)

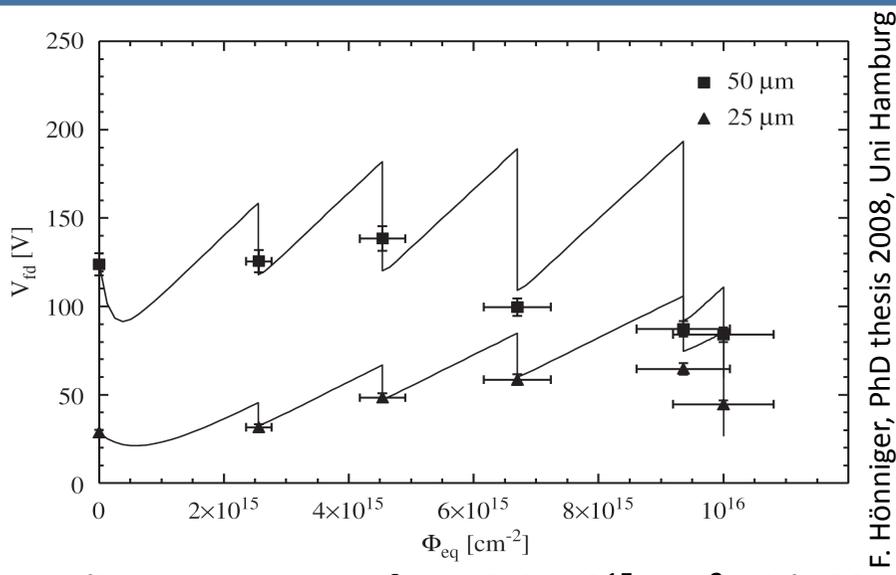


- Concentrations from microscopic measurements reproduce C-V
- Prediction of V_{dep} possible also for neutron & proton irradiation!



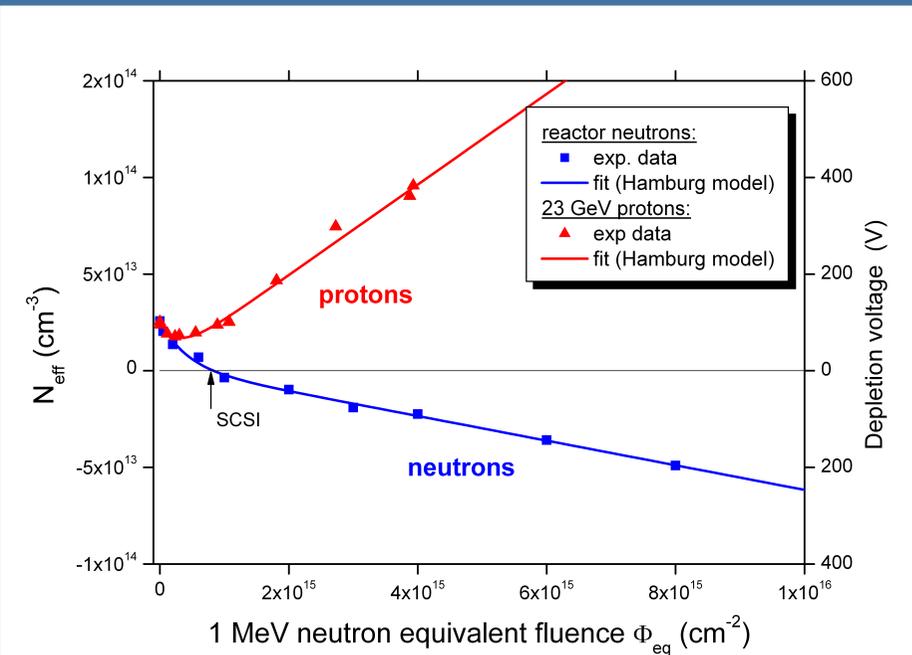
Application of annealing results

For an SLHC scenario



Irradiation in steps of $\Phi_p = 2.2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ with 23 GeV protons and additional annealing for 50 min at 60 °C

N_{eff} for n and p irradiation (CV) for Epi-Do



Improvement due to adaption of environmental conditions

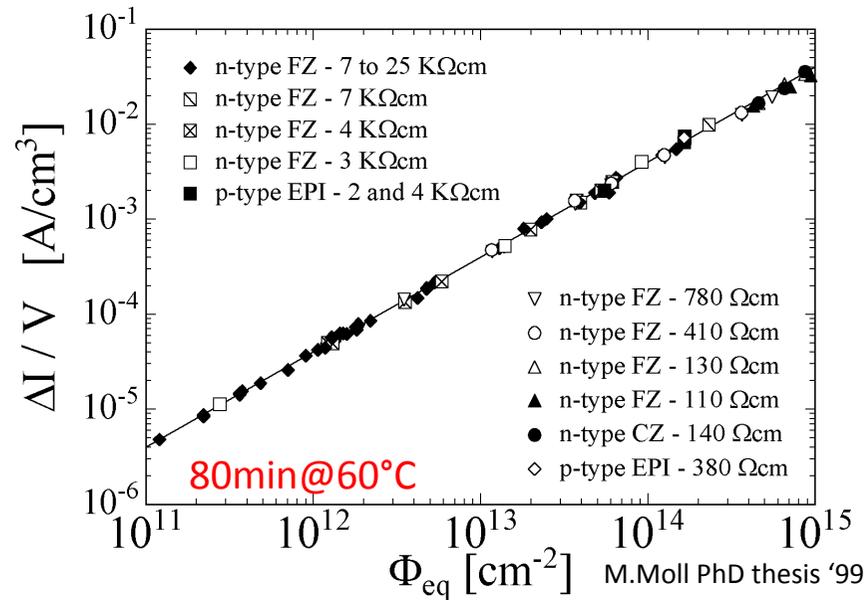
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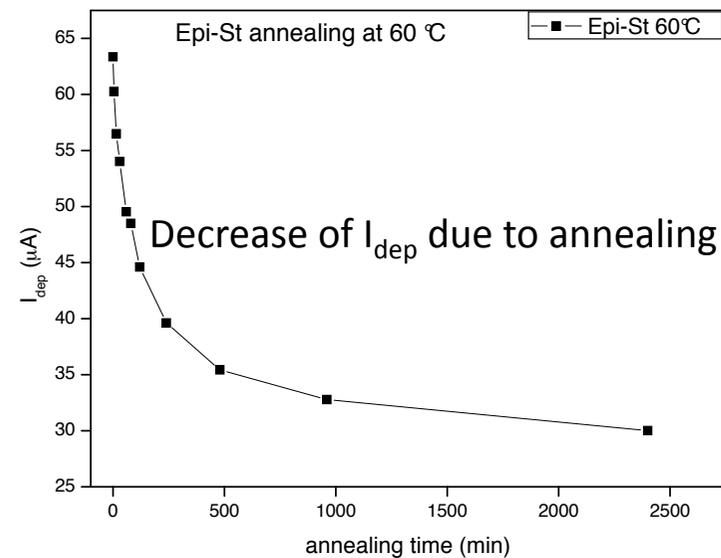
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Change of leakage current...

... depending on the fluence...



... and on annealing

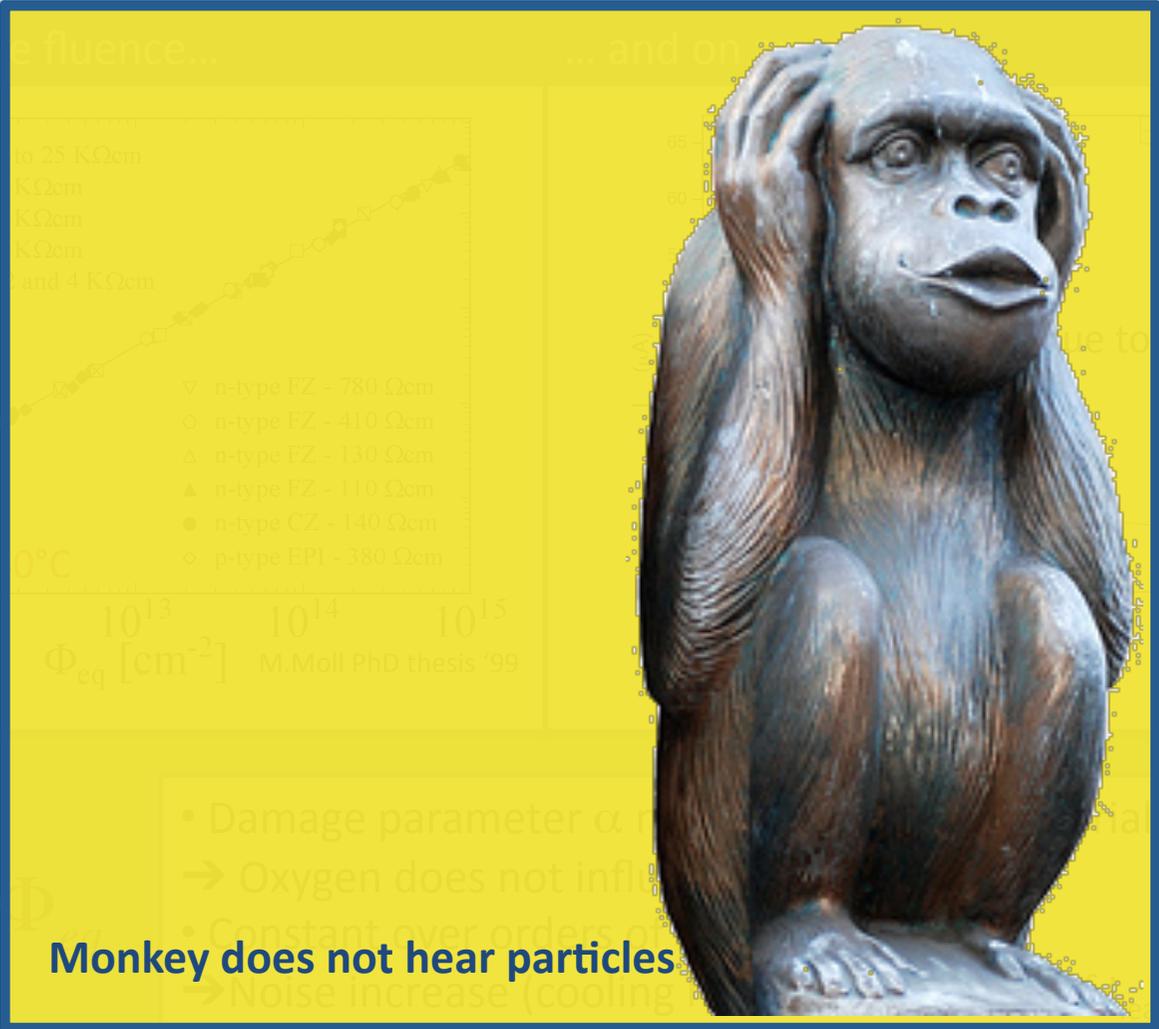
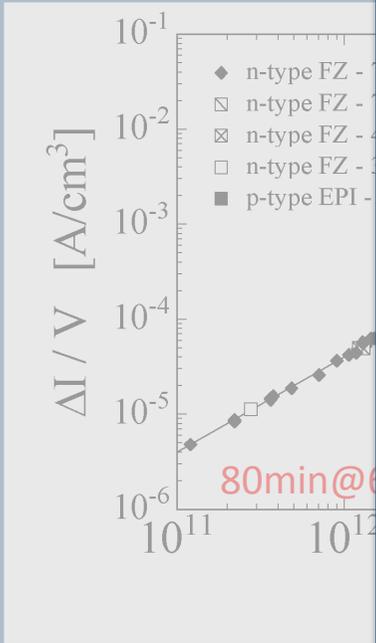


$$\Delta I = \alpha \cdot V \cdot \Phi_{eq}$$

- Damage parameter α not depending on material or particle type
- Oxygen does not influence behaviour
- Constant over orders of magnitude
- Noise increase (cooling helps due to T-dep of I_{leak})

Change of leakage current...

... depending on the fluence...



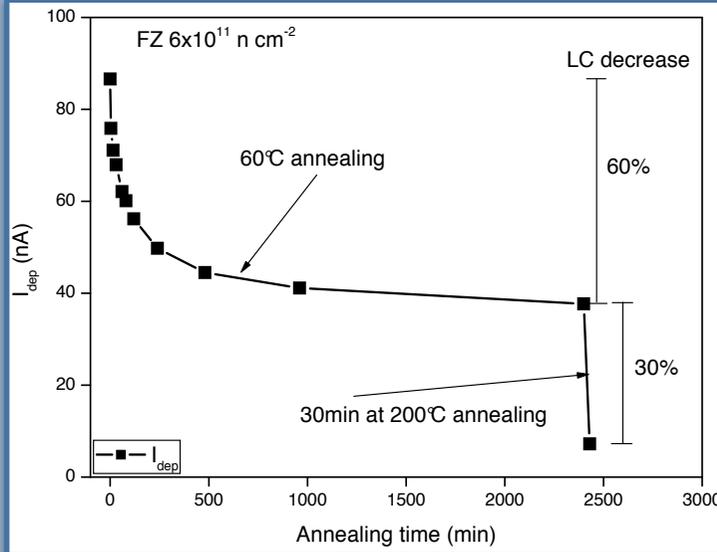
Monkey does not hear particles

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



Defects with impact on I_{leak}

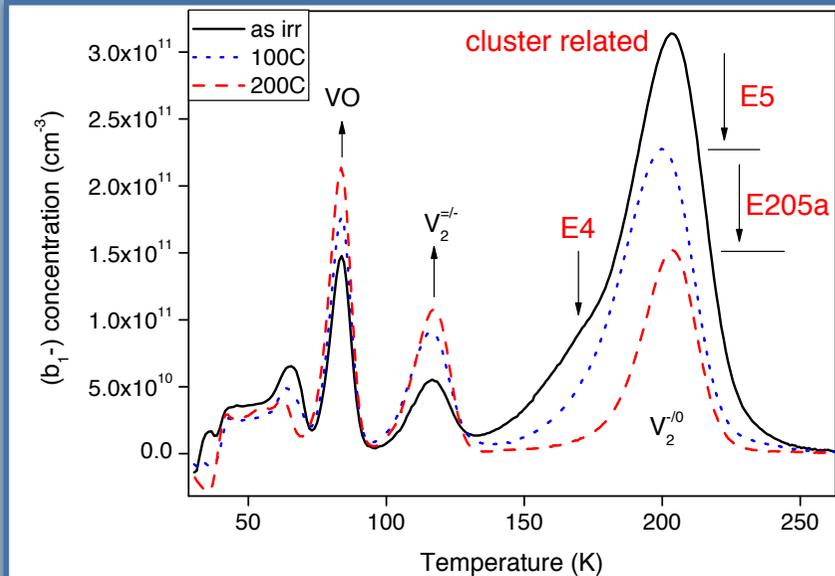
Decrease of I_{leak} during annealing



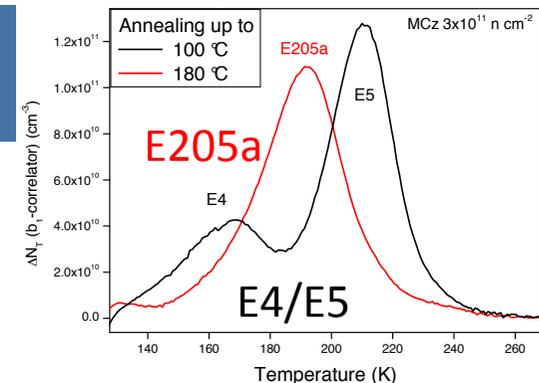
- 60 % decrease of LC during 60 °C annealing
 - 30 % decrease of LC during 200 °C annealing
- Corresponding defect annealing:
- E4 & E5 at 60 °C & E205a between 140 °C – 180 °C

→ Responsible defects E4 & E5 & E205a

Corresponding defects from DLTS



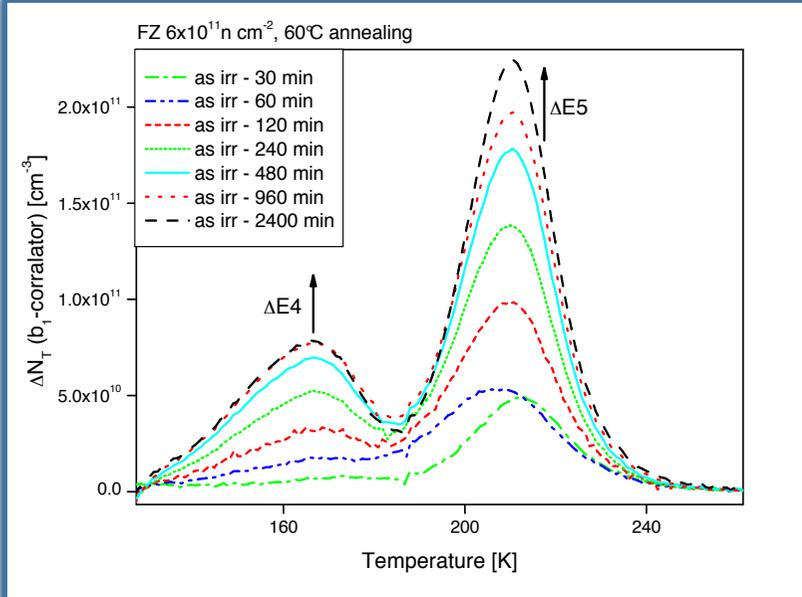
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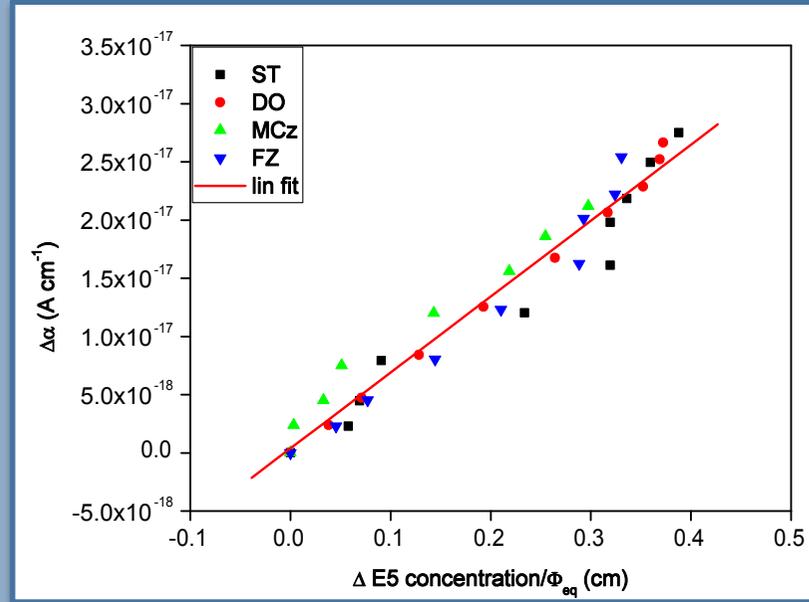


E4/E5 and E205a create I_{leak}

Difference Spectra



1 MeV neutrons



Correlation between E5-defect and current found!

How can I imagine clustering effects?



Play *Chargeball*

- Balls represent charge carriers
- Semi circles are charge trapping positions
- Black dots represent potential barriers
- Multi Ball represents high current injection
- **With high current injection also the shielded core can be reached**

Summary

- sLHC environment create defects in the Si crystal
- Defects may influence detector properties
- Methods like DLTS and TSC provide information about electrically active defects
- Combination of microscopic & macroscopic methods reveals defects with impact on sensors

- Breakthrough in understanding the impacts of radiation induced defects on detector properties