

# Upgrade of the ATLAS Inner Tracker and related physics perspectives of the Higgs boson decay into two b quarks

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## Introduction

- Standard model and Higgs physics
- ATLAS experiment
- Silicon planar pixel sensors

## ATLAS MC simulation of radiation damages in Silicon sensors

- Electric field maps simulations
- Validation of the model
- Impact on clusters and tracks properties

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## Planar pixel sensors R&D for ATLAS ITk

- Biasing options
- Thin and irradiated silicon planar pixel sensors
- Active edge sensors

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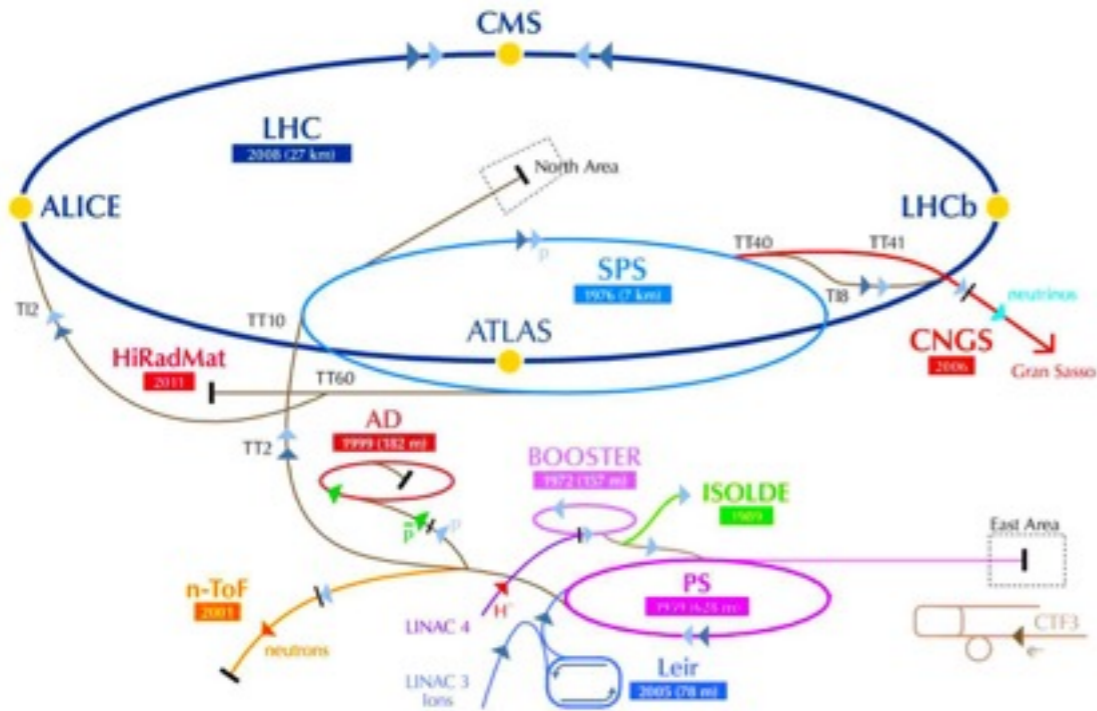
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## b-tagging upgrade for ATLAS ITk

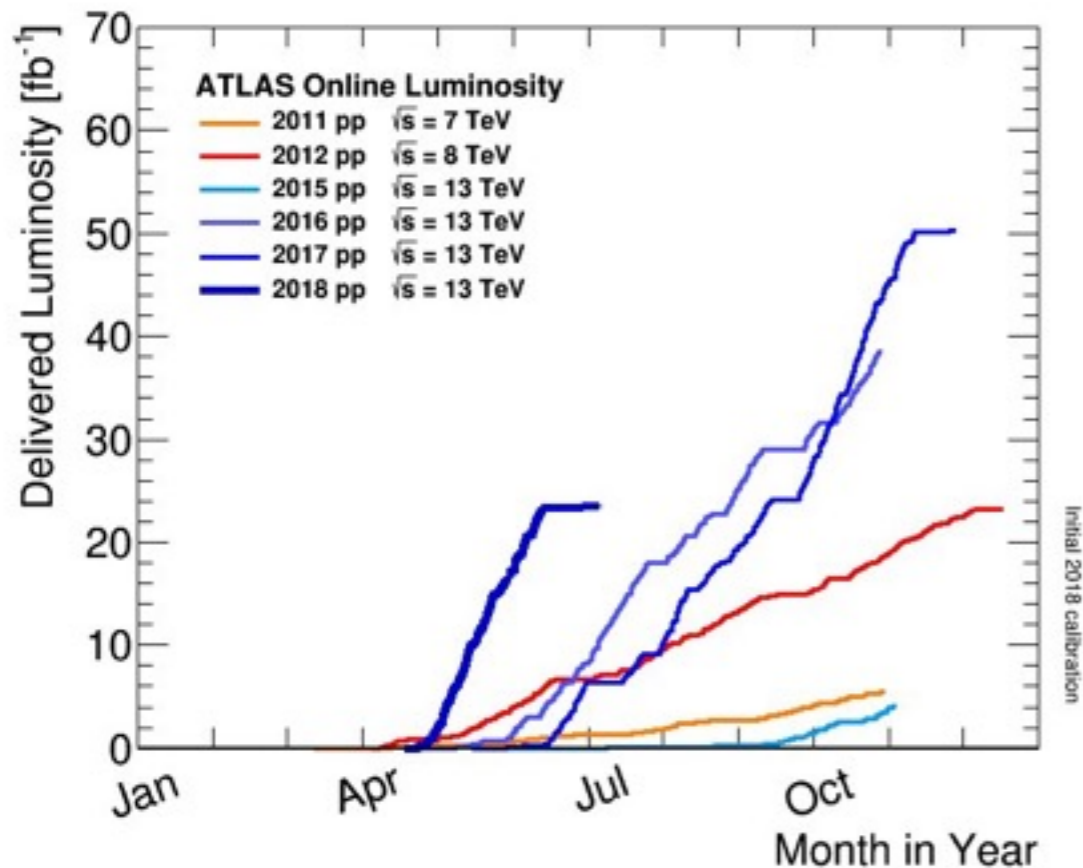
- SV1 algorithm optimization





CERN accelerator, current world largest particle accelerator:

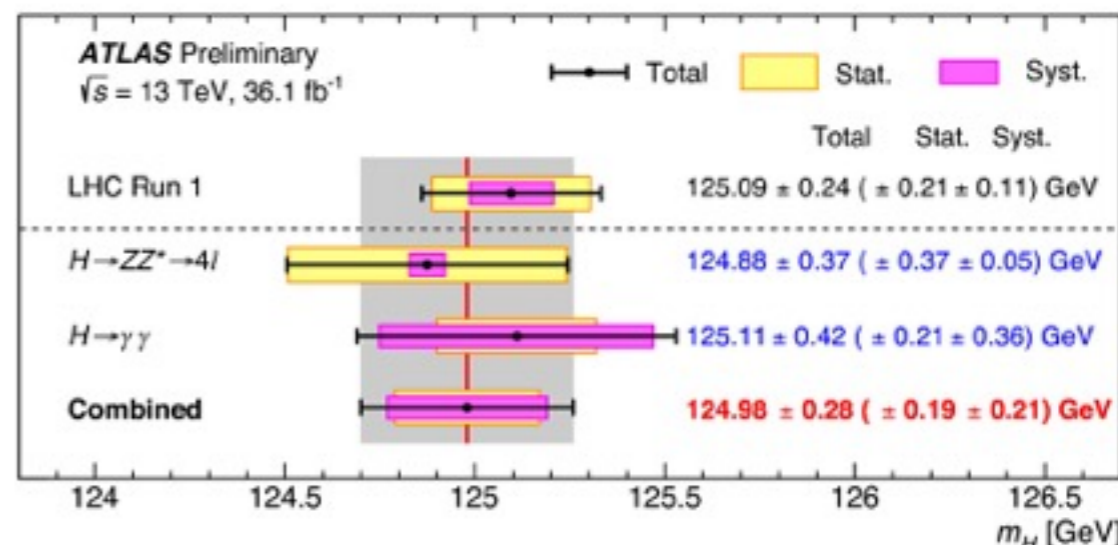
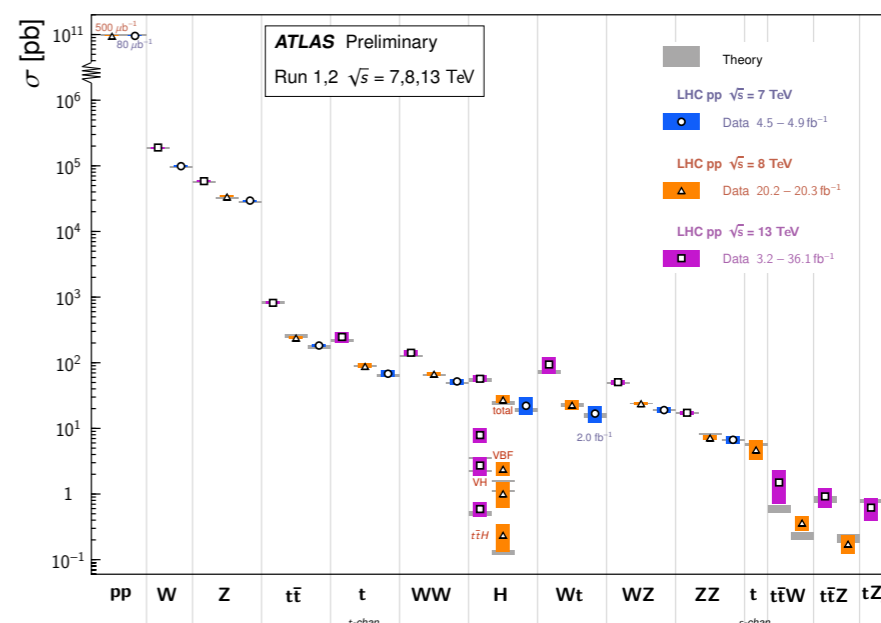
- proton-proton collisions at (now)  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV, target luminosity:  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- LHC experiments: **ATLAS & CMS** (general purpose experiments), **LHCb** (b physics), **ALICE** (strong interaction)
- ATLAS experiment recorded luminosity:
  - ▶ Run1 ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and  $8 \text{ TeV}$ ):  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  accumulated
  - ▶ Run2 ( $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ ):  $136 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  accumulated



## Physics results - State of the art

- Higgs discovery in 5 channels
- Higgs mass and couplings characterization (recently b and t)
- Electroweak measurements
- Cross section measurements
- top mass and couplings measurement
- BSM searches
- ...

Standard Model Total Production Cross Section Measurements Status: March 2018

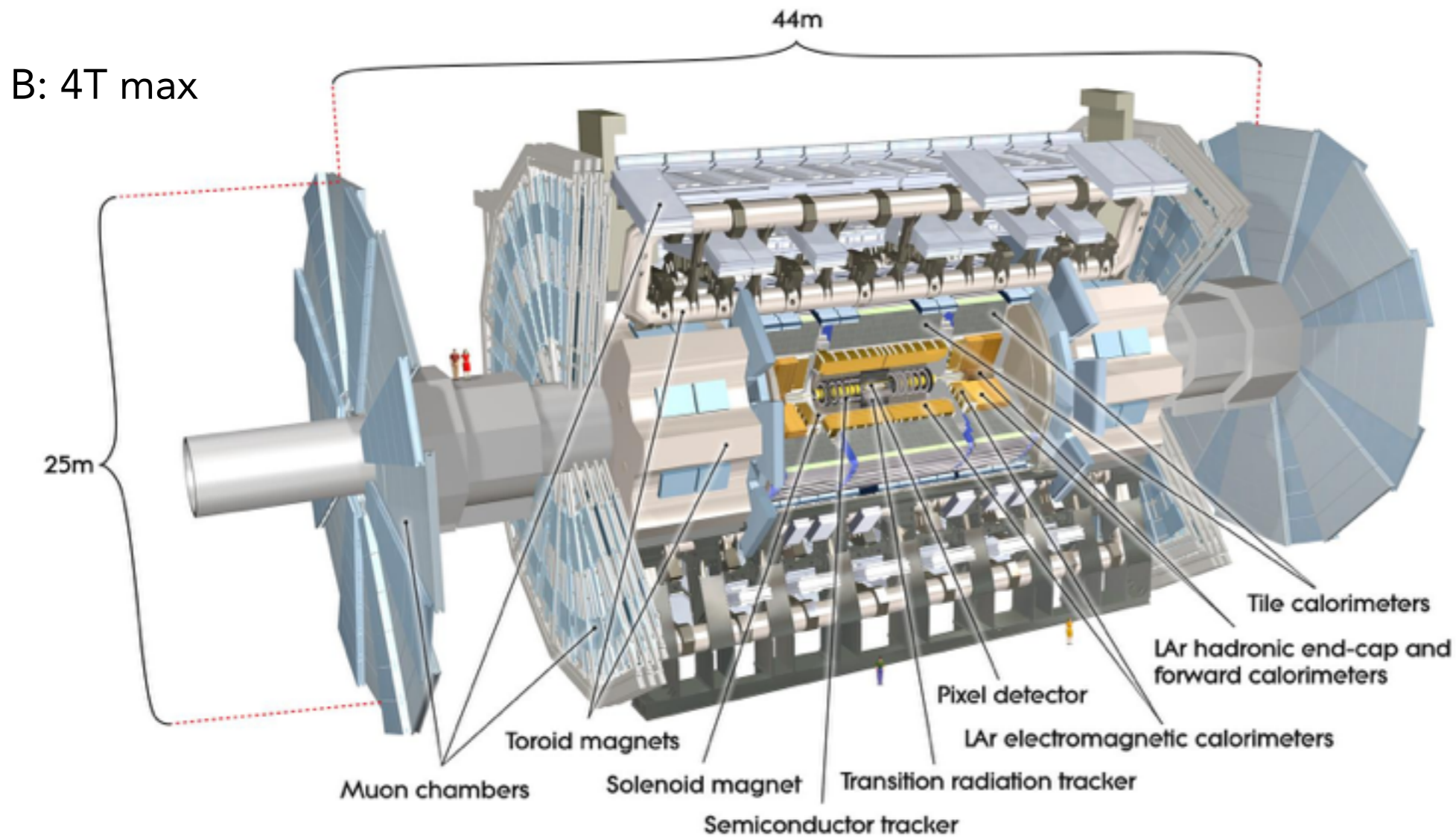


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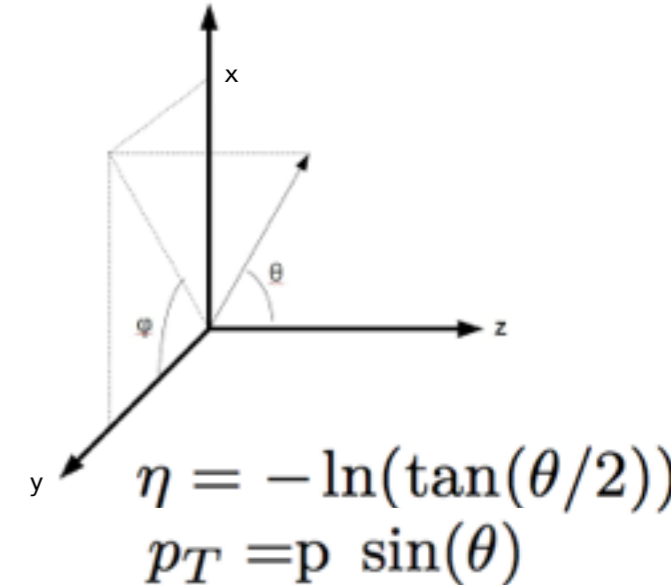
- Higgs couplings to second generation family
- Higgs self couplings
- Higgs boson in BSM physics ?

Good b-tagging and tracking (hence good sensors) are fundamental





Cylindrical geometry,  
~4  $\pi$  angular coverage



## Trigger

40 MHz



Level 1 - input  
from Calo and MS

100 kHz



HLT - selection of  
interesting events

1 kHz

- **Inner detector:** measurement of **tracks & vertices reconstruction**
- **Electromagnetic calorimeter:** reconstruction of electrons and photons energy
- **Hadronic calorimeter:** measures hadrons energy
- **Muon spectrometer:** records muon trajectories

- Tracks and vertices reconstruction

Momentum resolution:

$$\frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \simeq 3.8 \times 10^{-4} p_T \text{ (GeV)} \oplus 0.015.$$

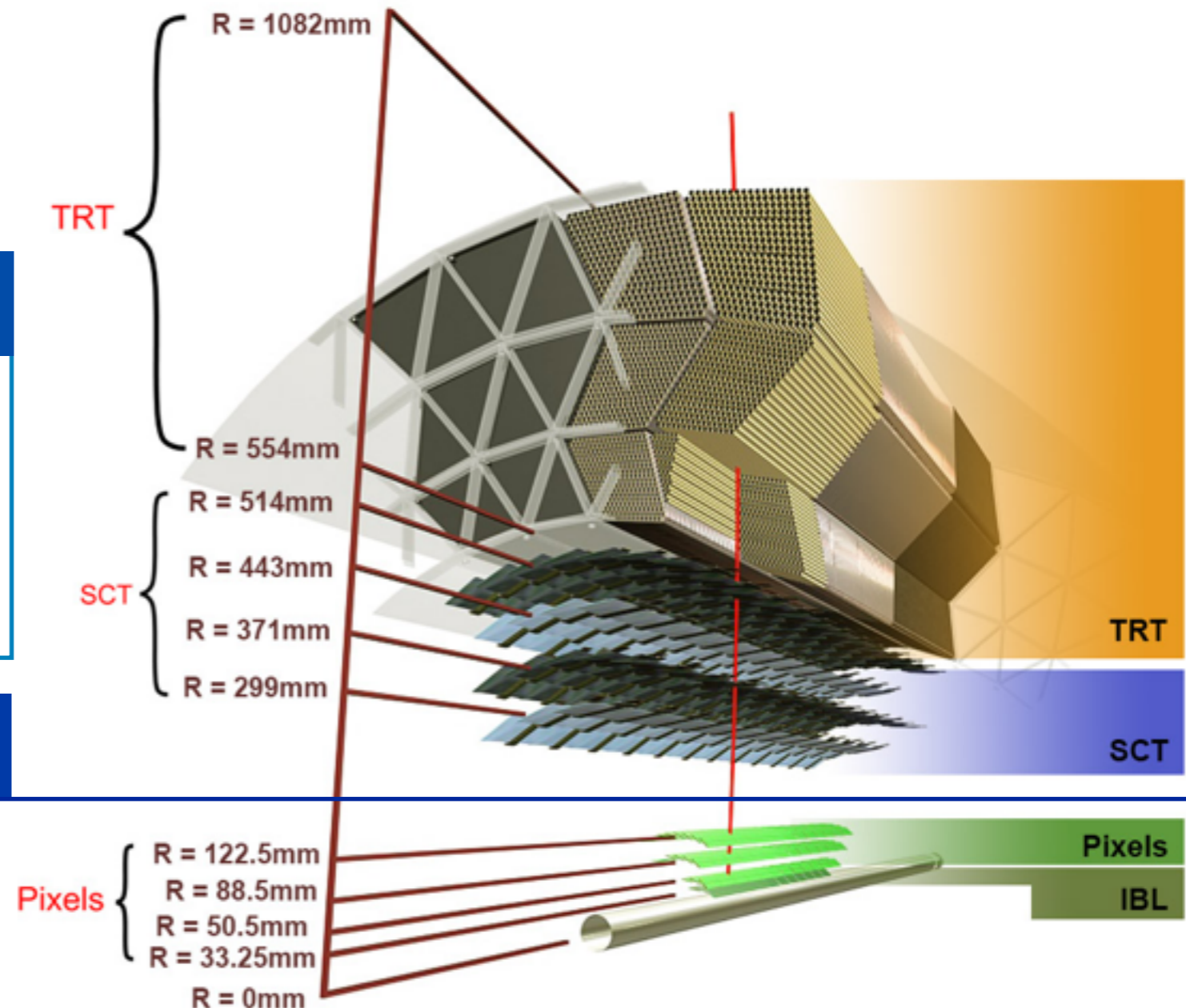
## TRT & SCT

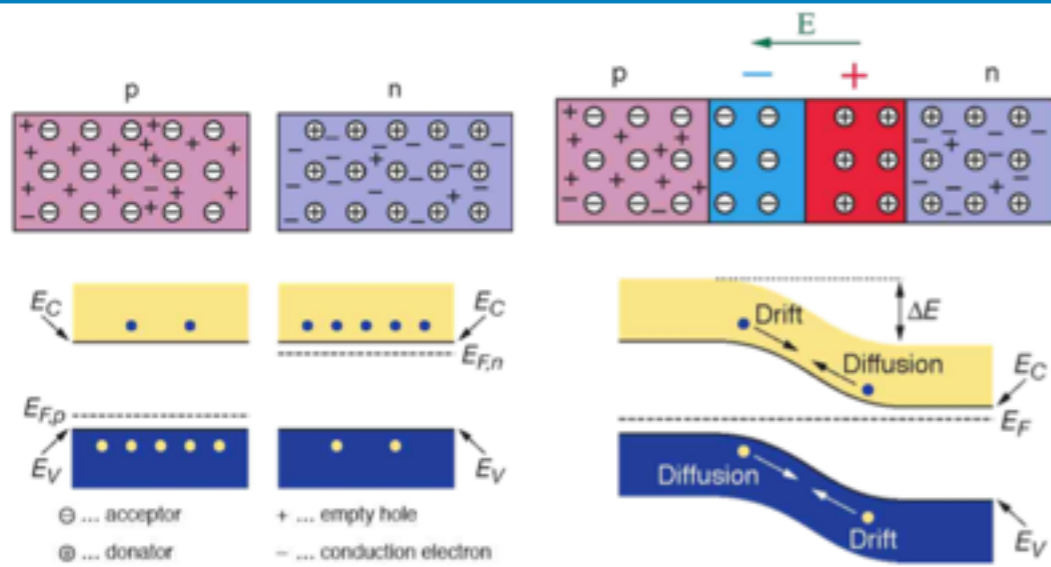
- TRT**: proportional drift tubes, up to 36 points/track.
- SCT**: silicon micro-strips detector

## Pixels

**Closest detector** to the beam pipe, composed of a barrel and two end caps:

- 4 pixel barrel layers** (IBL, BLayer, L1 & L2), IBL inserted in 2015 to allow a better reconstruction of b-objects
- IBL cell size **50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 250  $\mu\text{m}$**  ; BLayer/L1/L2 cell size **50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 400  $\mu\text{m}$**
- Overall **spatial resolution**:  **$\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$**  in the  $r-\phi$  direction,  **$\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$**  in the  $z$  direction





● P/N junction

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

● Drift of carriers following electric Field E

● Diffusion

● Lorentz angle: deflection angle caused by B

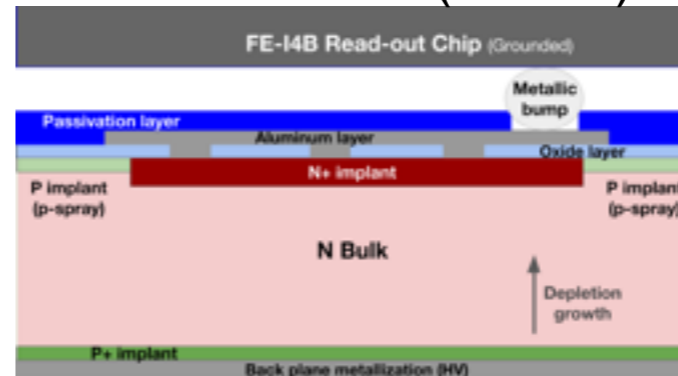
## Silicon pixel sensors

● **Planar:** highly doped implant on top of a low-doped Si bulk n-in-n (ID-like), n-in-p (ITk), **medium radiation hardness, less costly than 3D, HEP classic sensors**

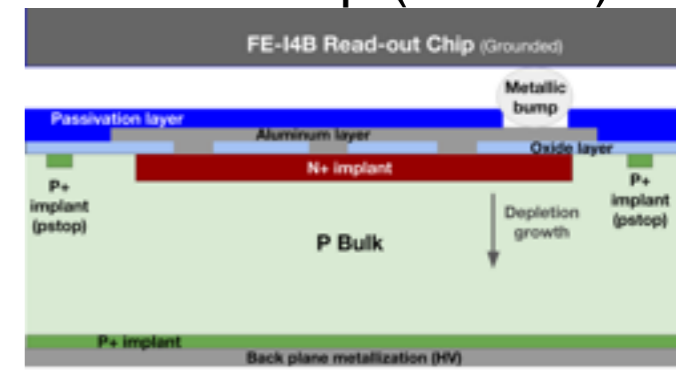
● **3D:** highly doped Si columns through low-doped Si bulk -> **high radiation hardness, low yield**

● **CMOS:** **industrial mature technology, « low cost », less radiation hard**

### Planar n-in-n (ID like)

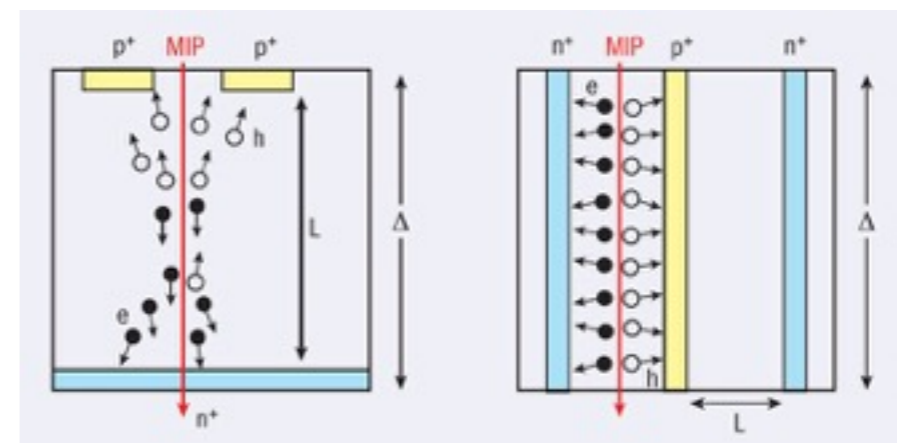


### Planar n-in-p (ITk like)



Planar

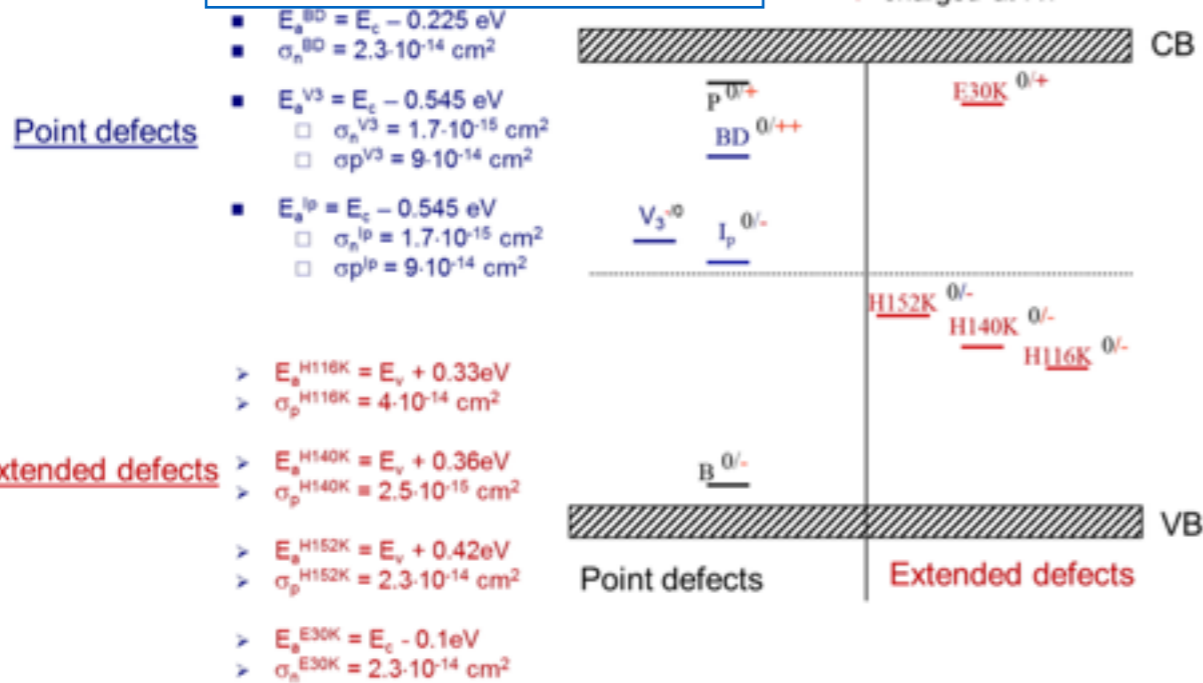
3D ← Used in IBL



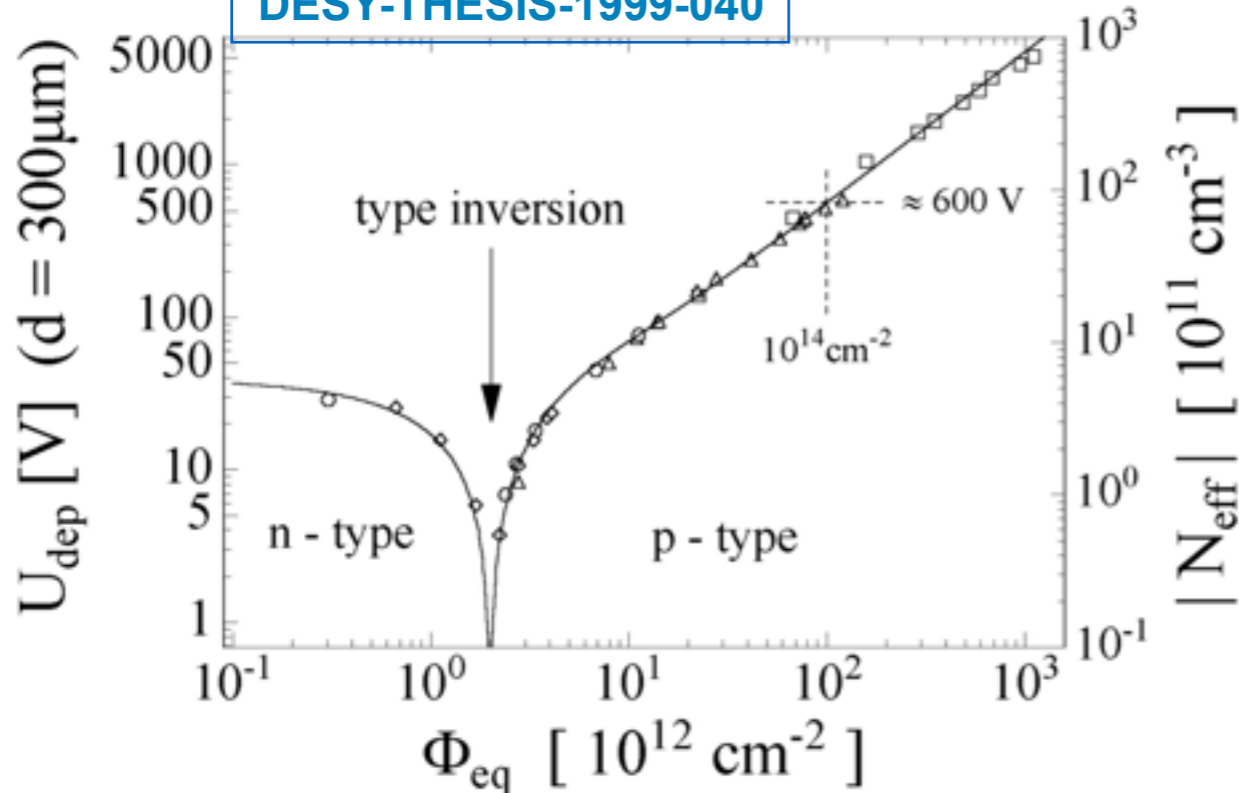


Non Ionizing Energy Loss → microscopic defects → macroscopic effects:

I. Pintilie, Vertex 2016



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● **Charge trapping:** electrons or holes trapped in defect centers

● **Change in operational bias voltage**

● **Type inversion** of n-type bulk in p-type bulk

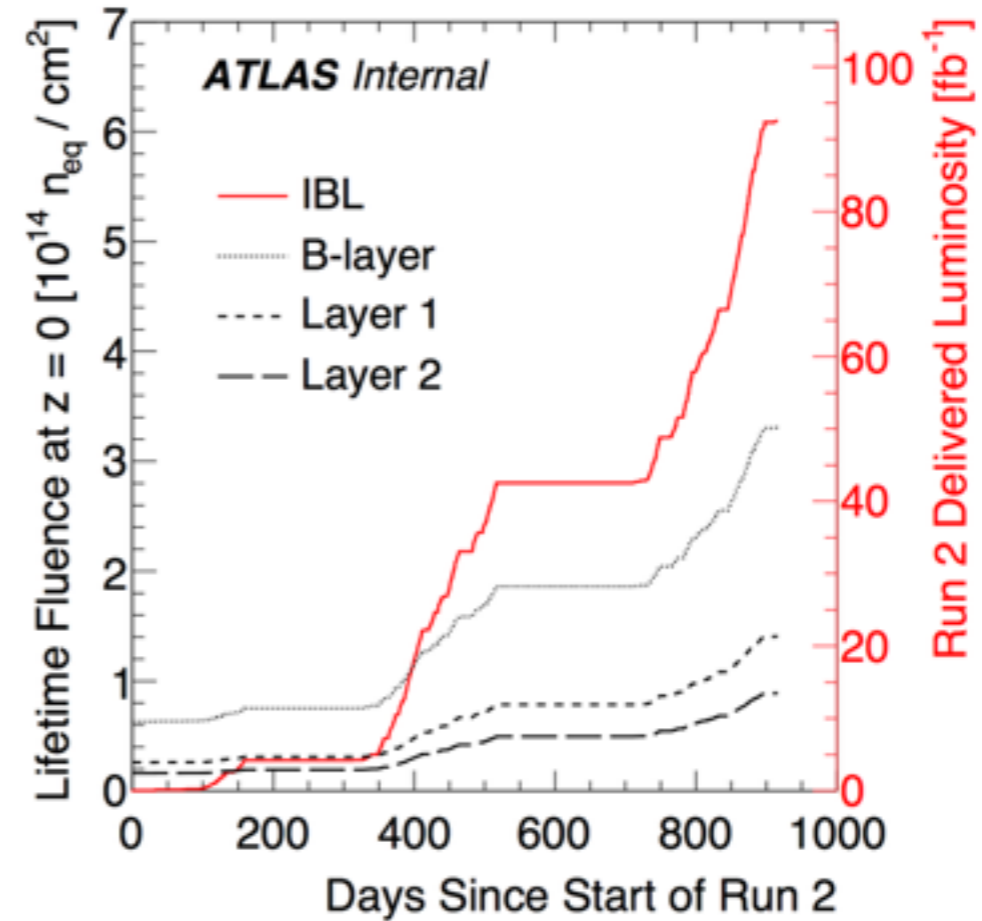
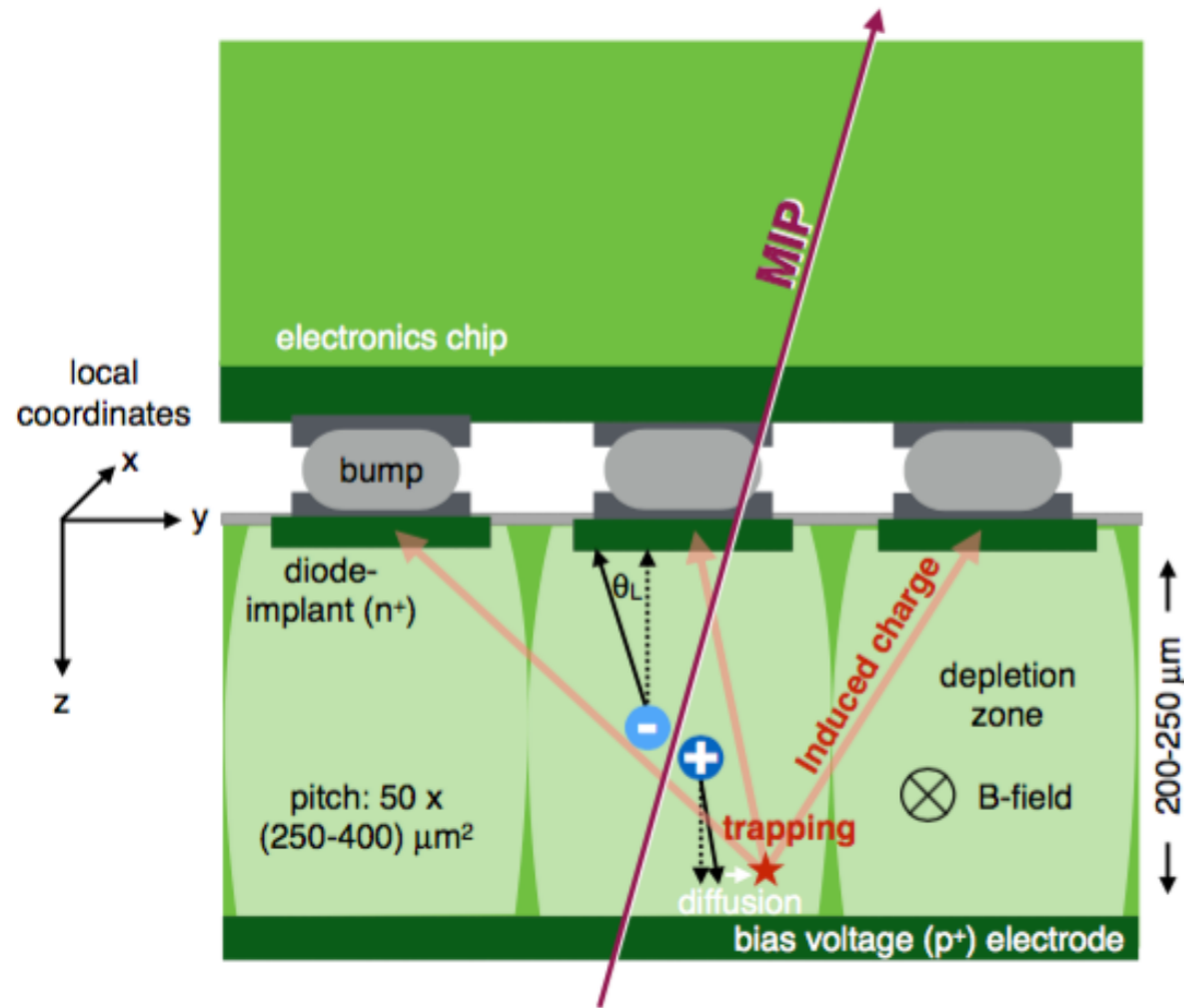
● Increase in leakage current

$$\Delta I(\Phi, T, t) = I(\Phi, T, t) - I_0 = \alpha(t, T) \mathcal{V}_{dep} \Phi$$

**Annealing:** Evolution of defects with T and t

# Radiation damage digitizer

- Production of electric field maps
- Evolution of cluster size vs temperature and bias voltage
- Charge collection efficiency, comparison to data
- Cluster & Track properties variations



ID pixel layers are irradiated which implies:

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- Charge collection efficiency drops due to charge trapping
  - Modification of the depletion voltage
  - Evolution of the Lorentz angle with the fluence and operational bias voltage
- Implementation in MC simulations at the digitization level of the fluence and its effect on pixel layers

1. Production of electric field maps for various fluence and bias voltage

2. Validation: Charge collection efficiency, comparison to data

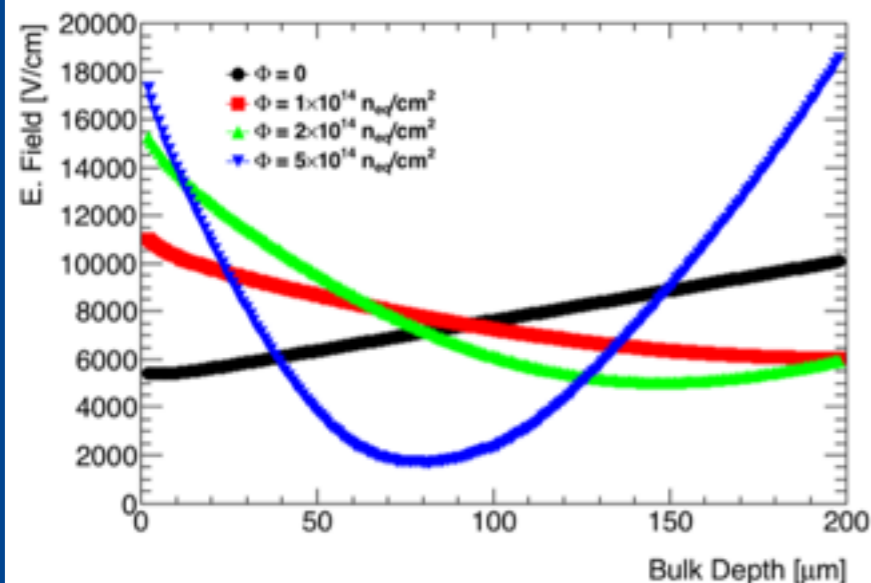
3. Prediction: impact of radiation damages on Cluster & Track properties

Benchmarks	0		1		2		3		4		5		6	
Luminosity (Run2)	$0fb^{-1}$		$0fb^{-1}$		$15fb^{-1}$		$30fb^{-1}$ end 2016		$30fb^{-1}$ end 2016		$75fb^{-1}$ end 2017		$130fb^{-1}$ end 2018	
$\Phi$ ( $10^{14}$ $n_{eq}/cm^2$ ) V (V)	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V	$\Phi$	V
IBL	0	80	0	80	1	80	2	80	2	150	5	350	8.7	400
BLayer	0	150	0.7	150	1.2	150	1.7	150	1.7	350	3.1	350	4.6	400
Layer 1	0	150	0.3	150	0.5	150	0.7	150	0.7	250	1.3	250	2.1	250
Layer 2	0	150	0.2	150	0.3	150	0.4	150	0.4	150	0.8	150	1.3	150

7 benchmarks considered (corresponding to Run2 benchmarks)

Use of tracks from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  samples

Chiochia model of radiation damage used to simulate E field maps of the ID planar pixel sensors:

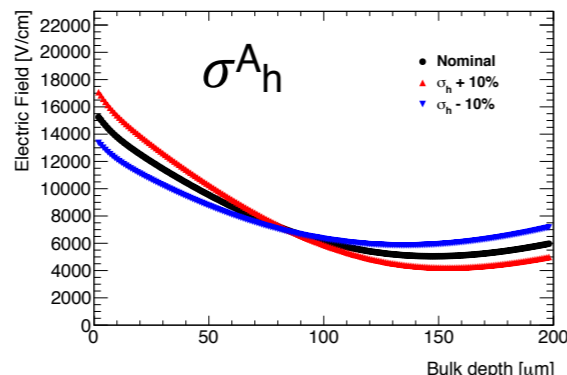
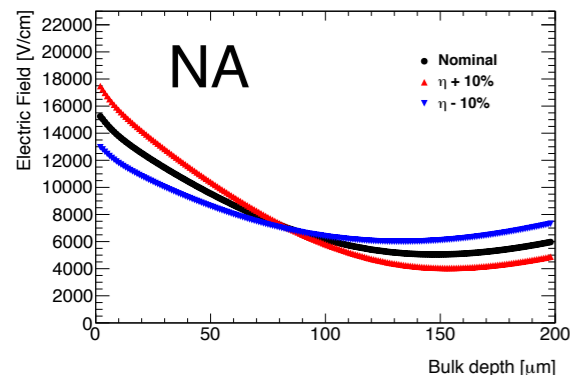
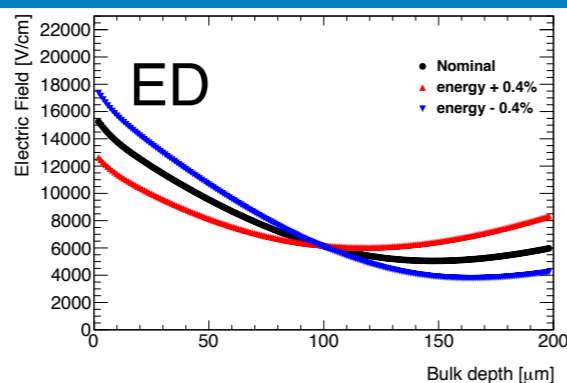
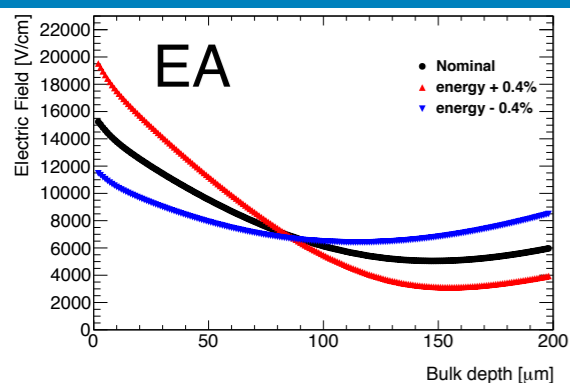


Parameters: traps energy  $E_A$  and  $E_D$ , effective concentration  $N_A$  and  $N_D$  and electron and hole capture cross sections

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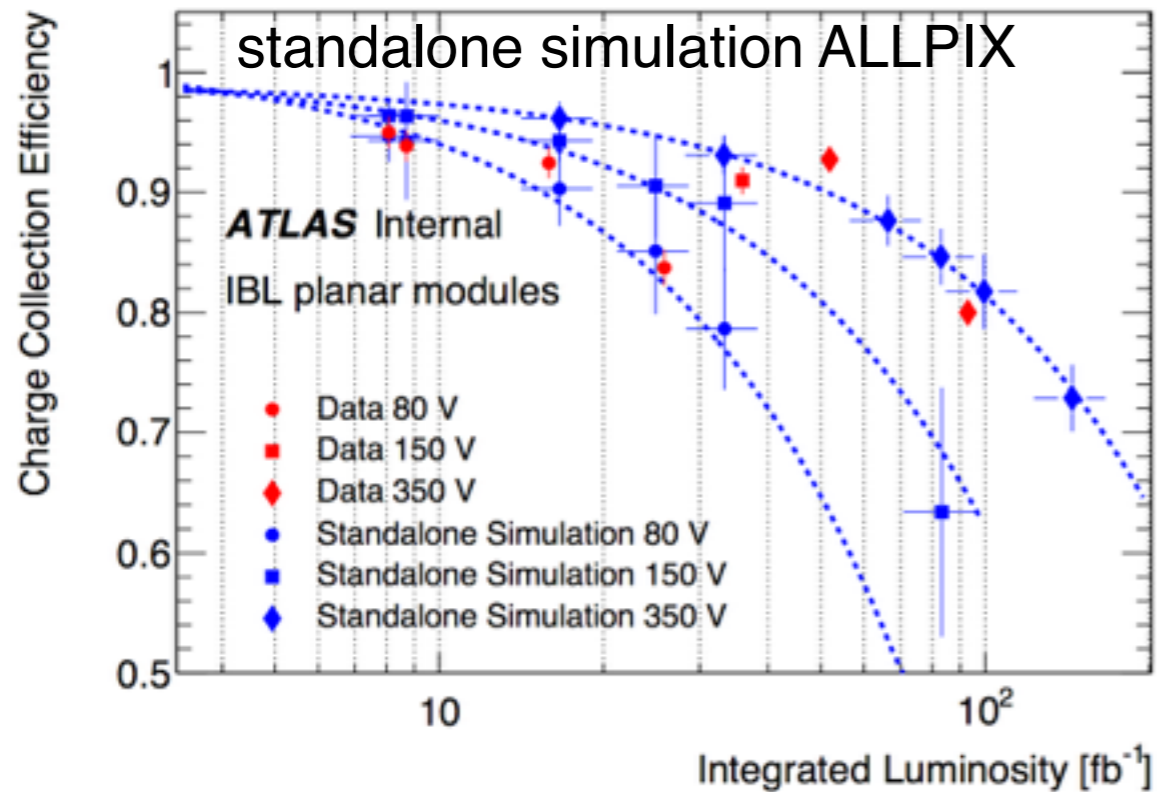
Fluence ( $10^{14} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$ )	$E_T^A$ (eV)	$E_T^D$ (eV)	$N_A$ ( $10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )	$N_D$ ( $10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )	$\sigma_e^{A,D} \ \& \ \sigma_h^D$ ( $10^{-15} \text{ cm}^2$ )	$\sigma_h^A$ ( $10^{-15} \text{ cm}^2$ )
1	$\pm 0.4\%$	$\pm 0.4\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 10\%$
2	$E_C - 0.52 \text{ eV}$	$E_V + 0.48 \text{ eV}$	6.8	10	6.60	1.65
5			14	34		

## Parameters variations



- Highly sensitive to modifications in the trap energy
  - Moderately sensitive to the defect concentration variation
  - Slightly sensitive to the capture cross section variations
- ➔ Variations on acceptor observables give larger variation in E field compared to variation of donor observables

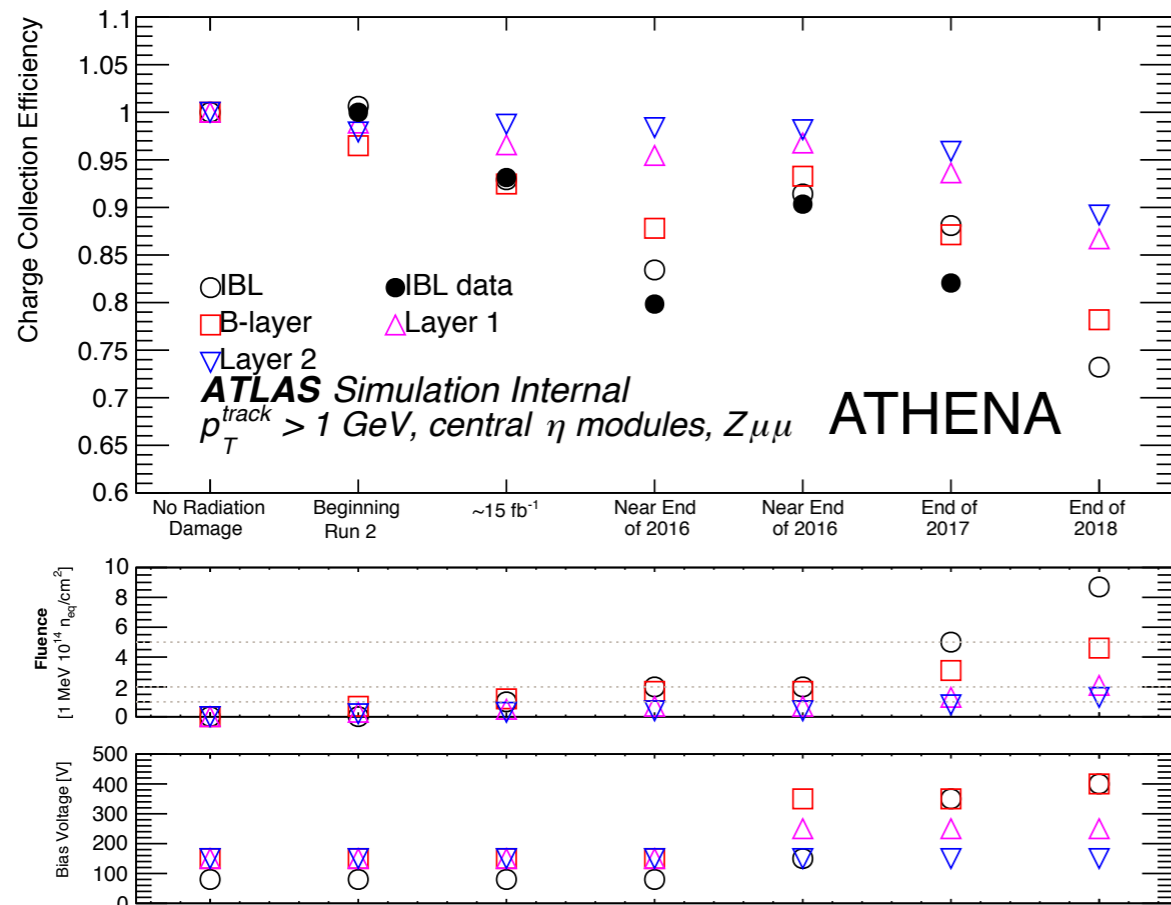
A=Acceptor ; D=Donor ; h = holes ; e = electrons



CCE = average charge after irradiation / before irradiation

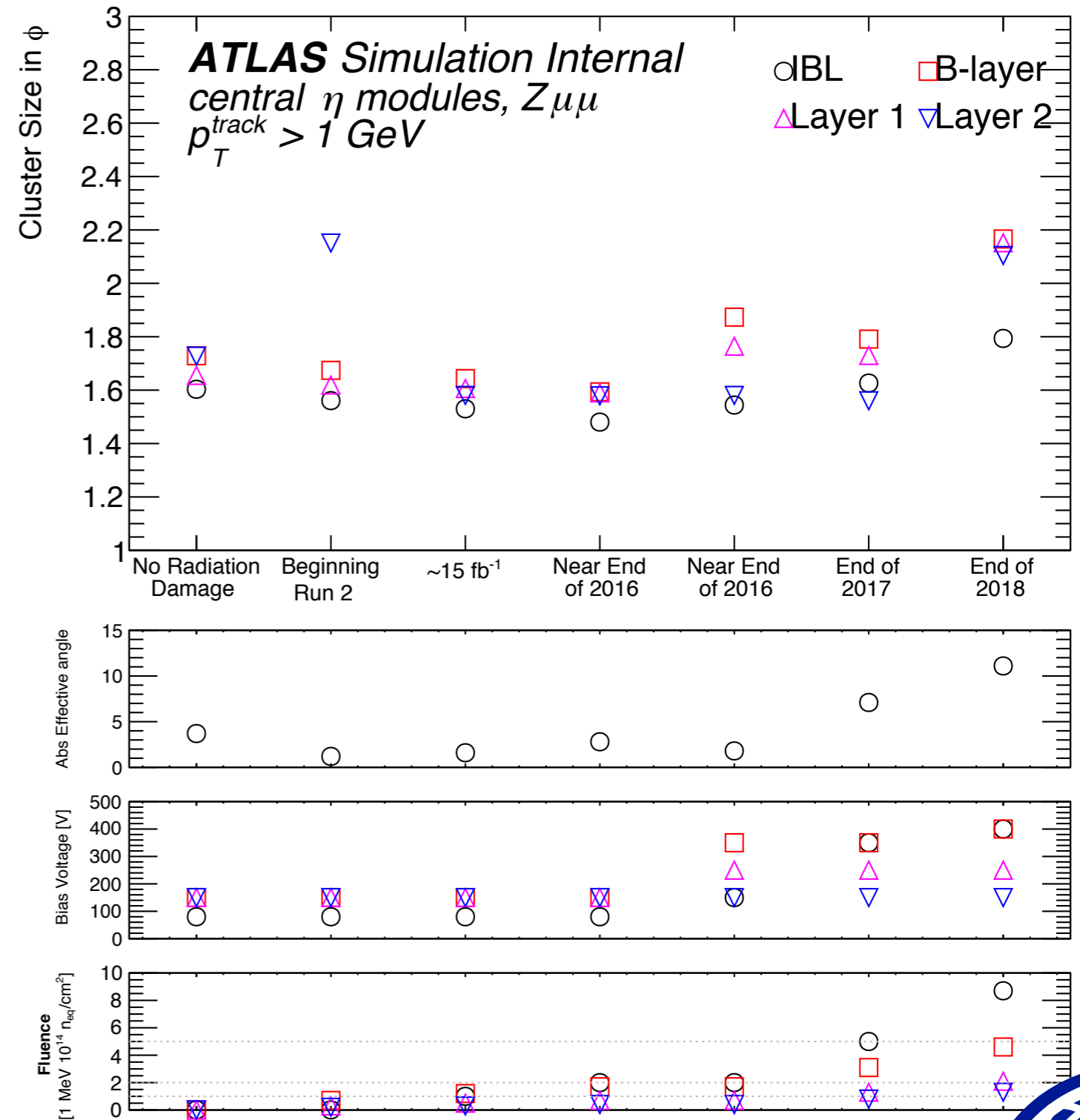
Validation of the radiation damage digitizer model → Comparison of CCE from simulations and data:

- Charge collection efficiency: good level of agreement between simulations and data
- Caveat: variations in terms of threshold, tuning, temperature and annealing not yet implemented. Systematic errors not represented in ATHENA validation plot

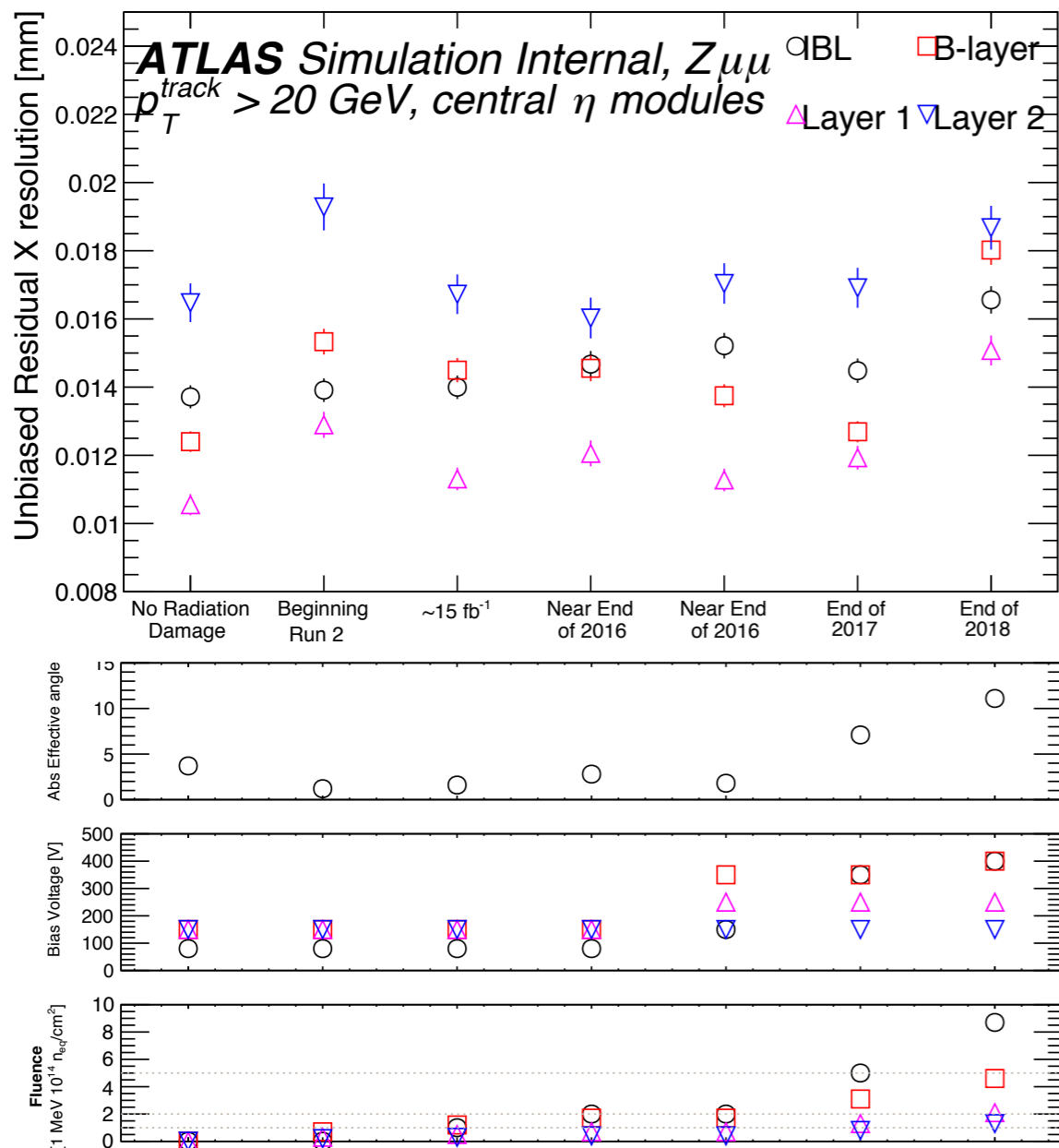


## Cluster size in $\phi$

- Highly sensitive to fluence, moderately sensitive to change in bias voltage
- Sensitive to the modification in Lorentz angle
- Between the end of 2017 and the end of 2018, Cs in  $\phi$  increases of more than **20%** (BLayer, L1 and L2) and **10%** for IBL



## Unbiased residuals resolution



Cut on tracks:  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$  required to mitigate multiple scattering

- Degradation of the spatial resolution with fluence
- IBL: Degradation by **20%** / **6%** in the **short** / **long** pixel direction between the beginning of Run2 and the predictions for the end of Run2

Next:

- Use of higher  $p_T$  samples and higher statistics (ttbar and  $Vh, h \rightarrow bb$  samples)
- Quantify impact on b-tagging and higher level physics objects

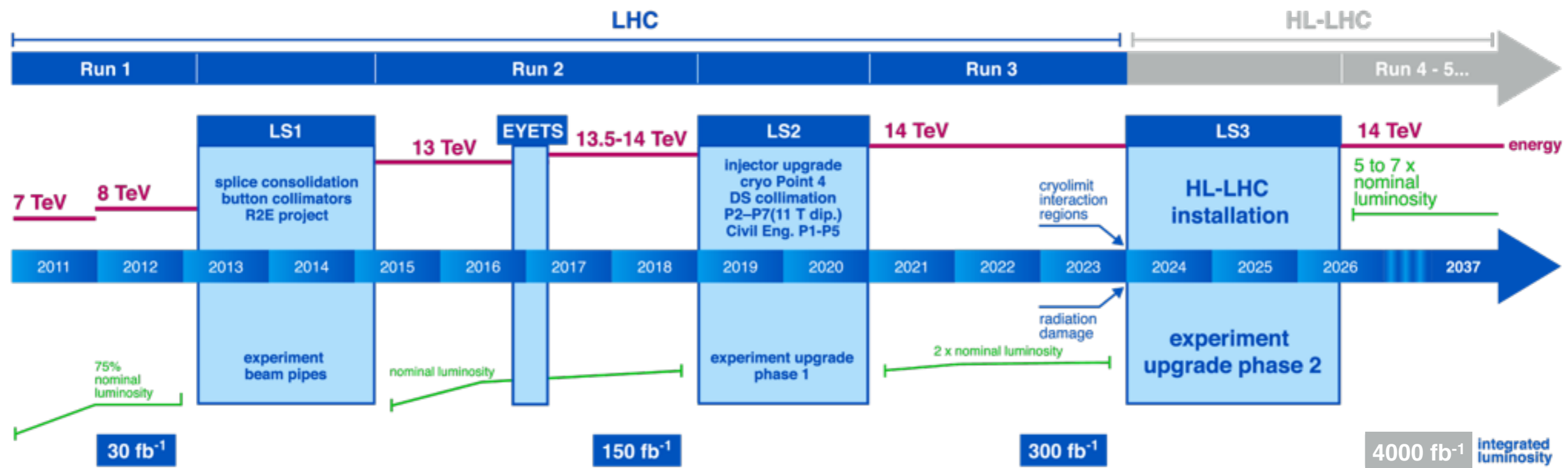


# ITk pixels LPNHE R&D

## Sensors performance

- ◎ LPNHE ITk pixel sensor productions
- ◎ Biasing options comparison
- ◎ Performance of thin and irradiated planar pixel sensors
- ◎ Performance of active edge sensors

## LHC / HL-LHC Plan



The LHC will be upgraded in high luminosity LHC (**HL-LHC**) and the data taking will start in 2026:

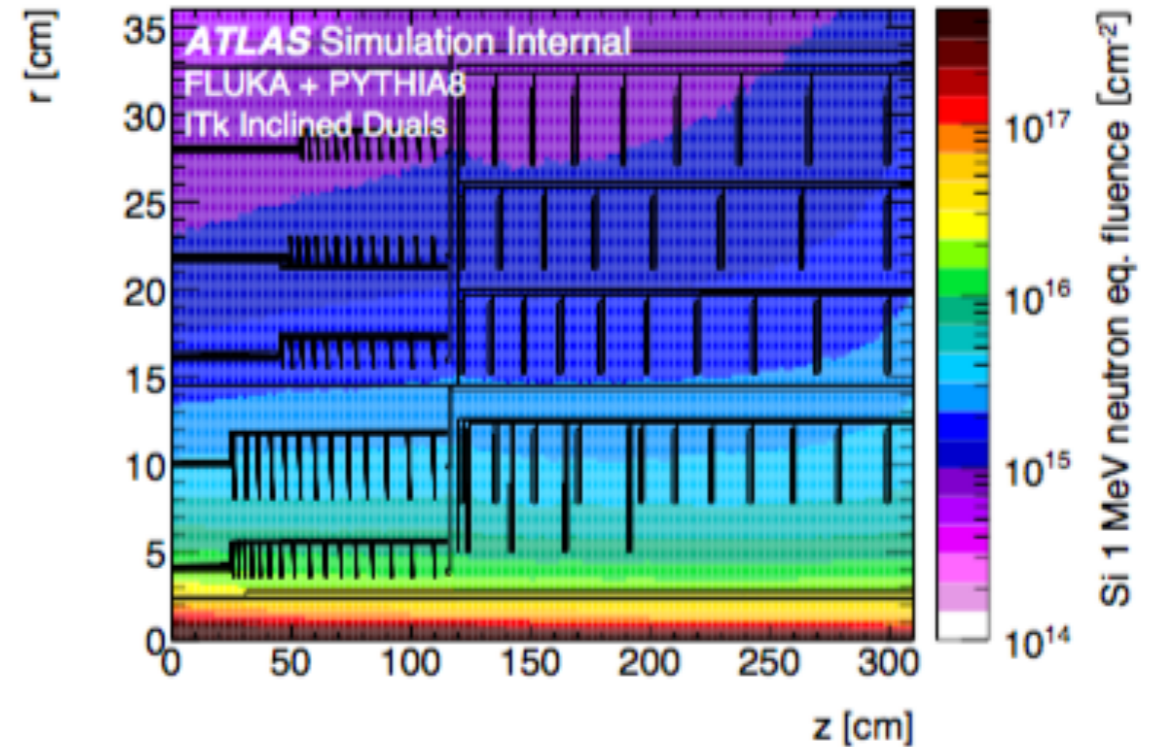
- Goal: integrated luminosity of **4000 fb<sup>-1</sup>**
- Need to **upgrade** accelerators and experiments
- **ATLAS Inner Tracker upgrade (ITk - pixels)**

ATLAS HL-LHC Physics goals:

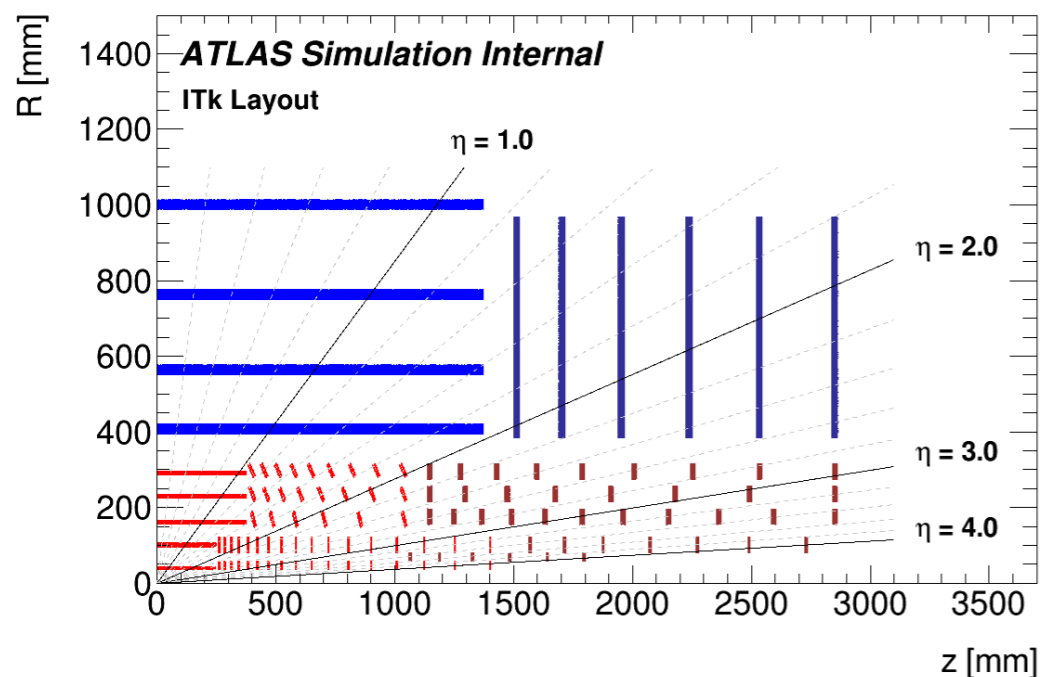
- Precision measurements
- Measurement of Higgs boson self couplings
- BSM physics searches
- ...

ATLAS data taking phase in HL LHC conditions:

- Peak luminosity of  $L_{inst} \sim 7.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- 200 inelastic pp collisions per bunch crossing
- Maximum fluence in inner tracker  $2.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ n}_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$  (5 times IBL fluence)



## Inner Tracker (ITk)



All silicon tracker (pixels + strips) to cope with radiation level

ITk pixels:

- Instrumented up to  $|\eta| < 4$
- Less material budget and 1 additional layer compare to Run2 thanks to the inclined layout
- Increase in tracking and b-tagging performance compared to Run2

## Radiation hardness

Goal: 97% hit-efficiency with a fluence up to  $1.3 \times 10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$  for innermost layer (to be replaced once)

● Problem: Radiation induced charge trapping and decrease in the collected signal

● Solution: Radiation harder sensors

→ 3D sensors for innermost layer (perpendicular drift, smaller collection distance)

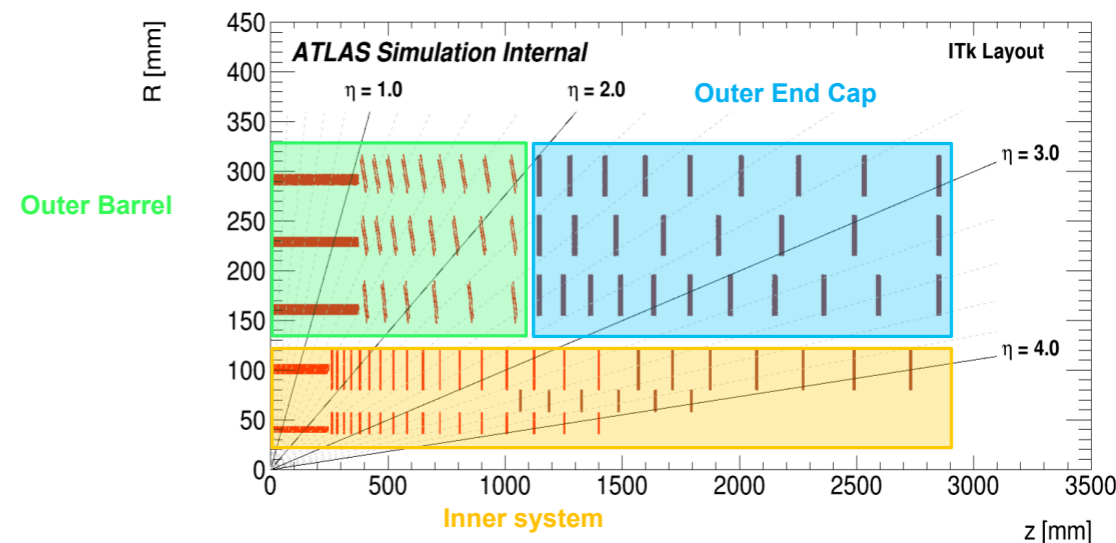
→ Thinner planar sensors for the outermost layers: **LPNHE thin sensors**

## Pile up compliance

● Granularity:  $50 \mu m \times 50 \mu m$  or  $25 \mu m \times 100 \mu m$  pitch instead of  $50 \mu m \times 250 \mu m$

● **New chip RD53**:  $50 \mu m \times 50 \mu m$  to deal with high data rate at HL-LHC

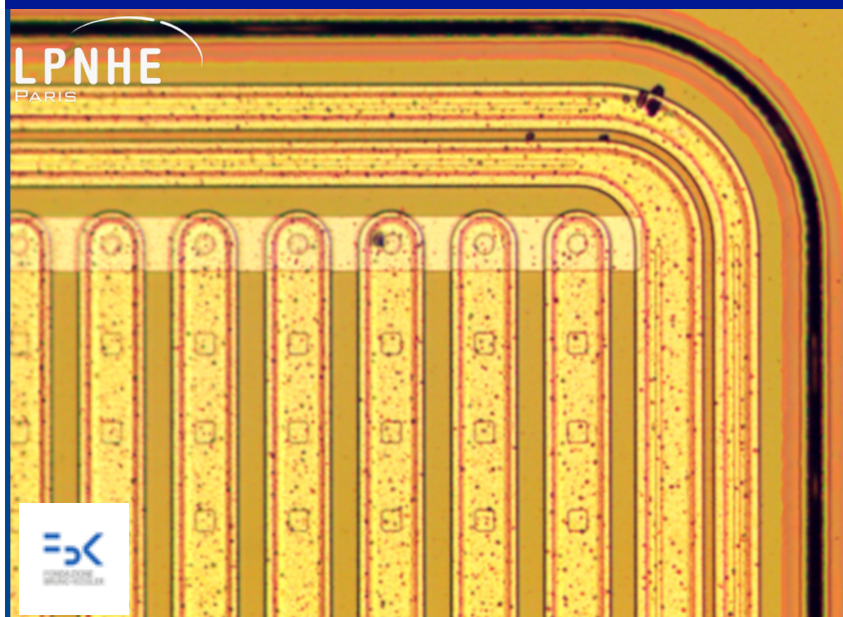
## Geometrical acceptance increase



● Instrument at high eta, cf Inclined layout

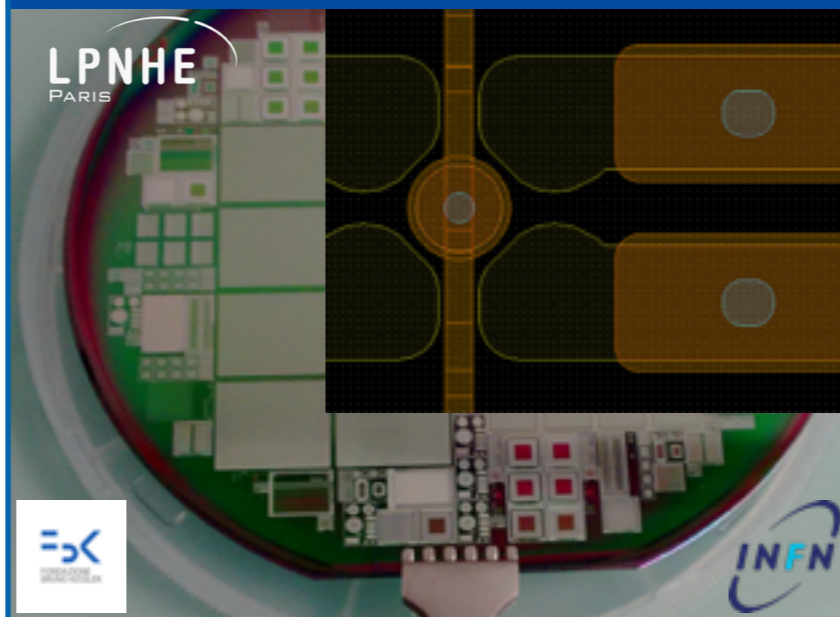
● Reduction of dead area → **Active edge sensors**

## Production 1 Active Edge (AE) sensors



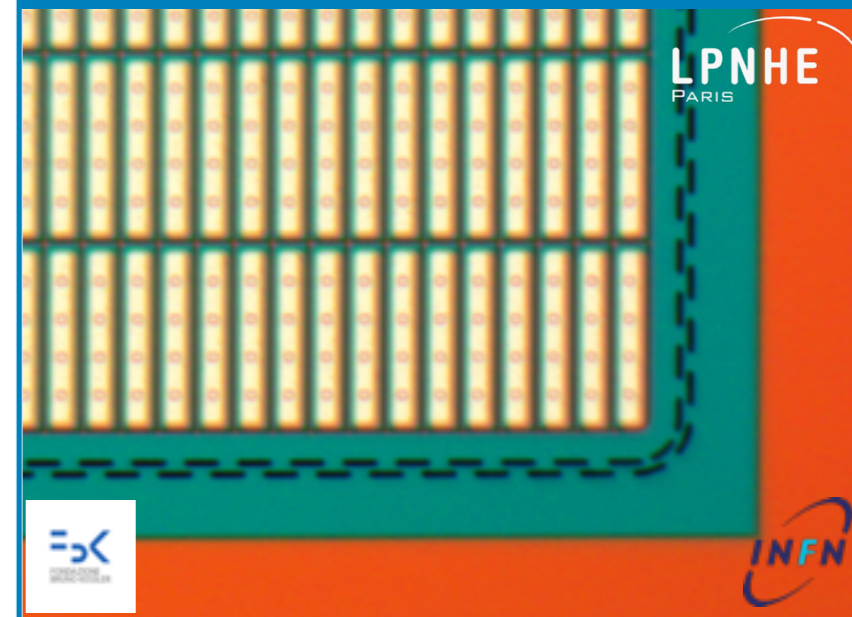
- **Active edge, DRIE** process
- 100  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel to trench, 0-2 Guard Rings (GR)
- 200  $\mu\text{m}$  thick
- **Temporary metal**
- Not irradiated

## Production 2 Thin sensors



- Standard edge
- **130  $\mu\text{m}$  thick**
- **Bias dots** (punch-through mechanism)
- Non-uniform **irradiation**:  
Average  $1 \times 10^{16} \text{ neq/cm}^2$   
Peak at  $1.4 \times 10^{16} \text{ neq/cm}^2$

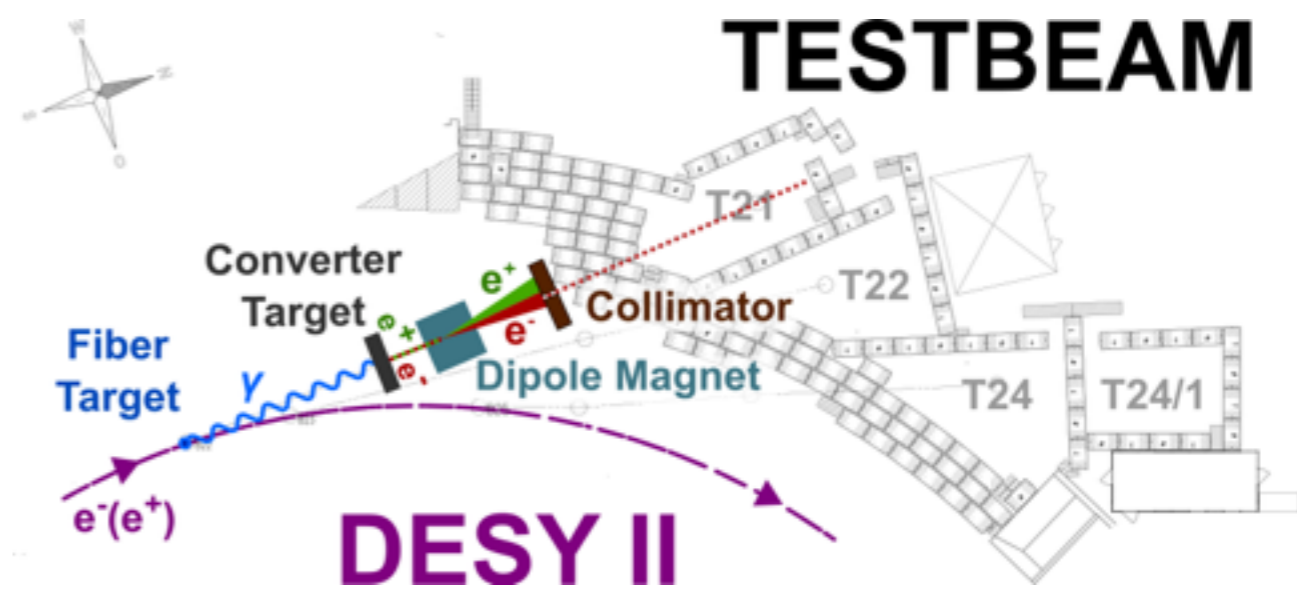
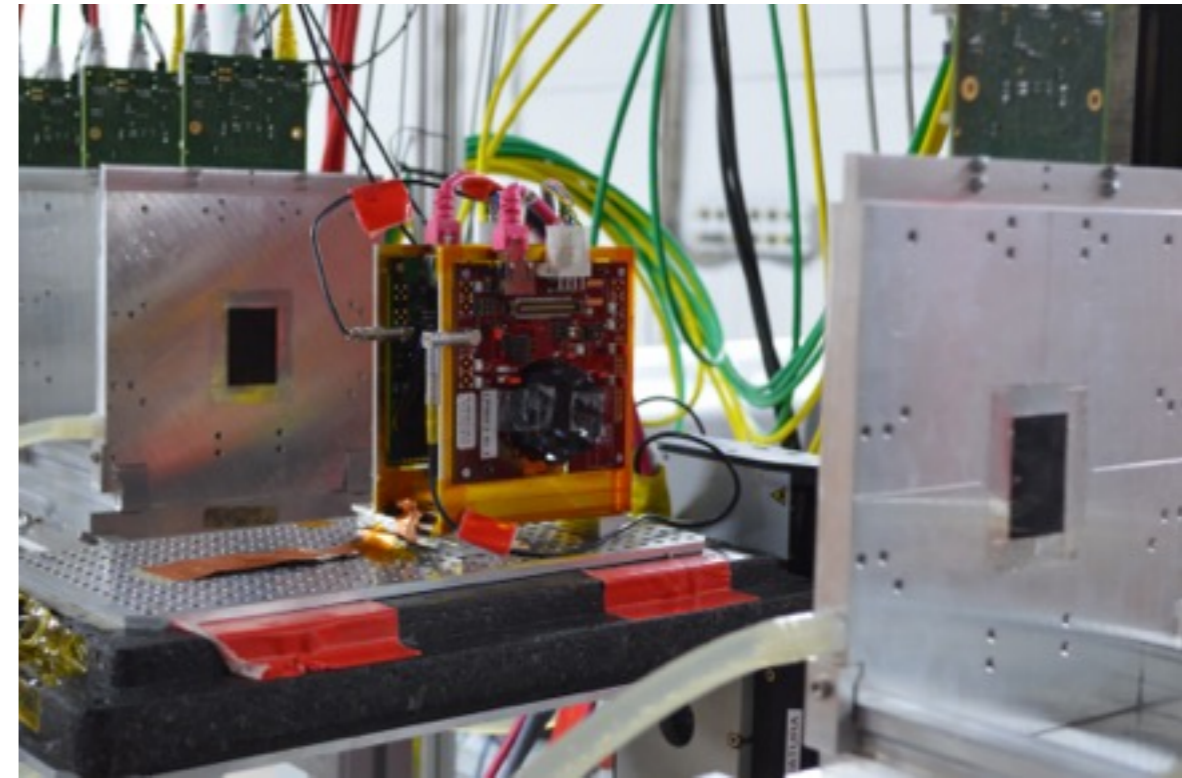
## Production 3 AE & Thin sensors



- **Active staggered edge**
- 50 -75  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel to trench, 0-1 GR
- **130  $\mu\text{m}$  thick**
- **Temporary metal**
- **Irradiated** uniformly at  $3 \times 10^{15} \text{ neq/cm}^2$

Test of sensors in particle beams (Testbeams):

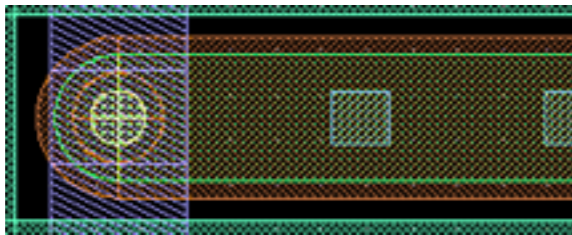
- **DESY:** 4 GeV/c electrons beam, important **multiple scattering** contribution on spatial resolution ( $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$ )
- **CERN-SPS:** 120 GeV/c pions beam, small multiple scattering contribution on spatial resolution ( $\sim 4 \mu\text{m}$ )
- **EUDET telescope:** 6 planes of mimosa sensors (pixel size  $18.4 \mu\text{m} \times 18.4 \mu\text{m}$ ), 1 reference FEI4 DUT for temporal coincidence, 2 scintillators for trigger
- 11 testbeams, 3 LPNHE productions tested
- Sensors irradiated at CERN Irrad facilities or KIT



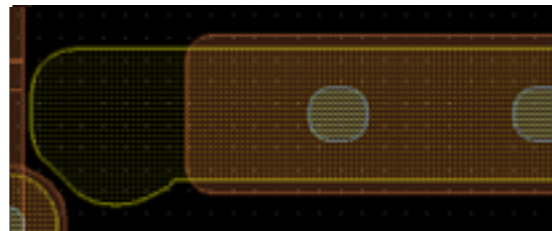
A circular microchip die is shown in the background, featuring a grid of square cells and various colored regions (green, red, brown) representing different functional areas. The die is mounted on a substrate.

# Thin and irradiated sensors performance

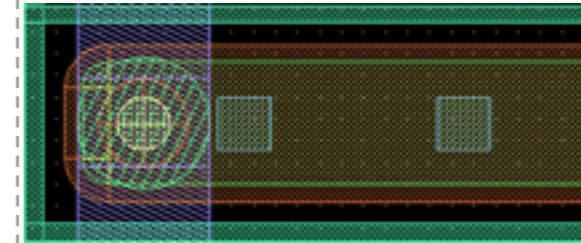
LPNHE 7 - Prod 1  
Temporary Metal



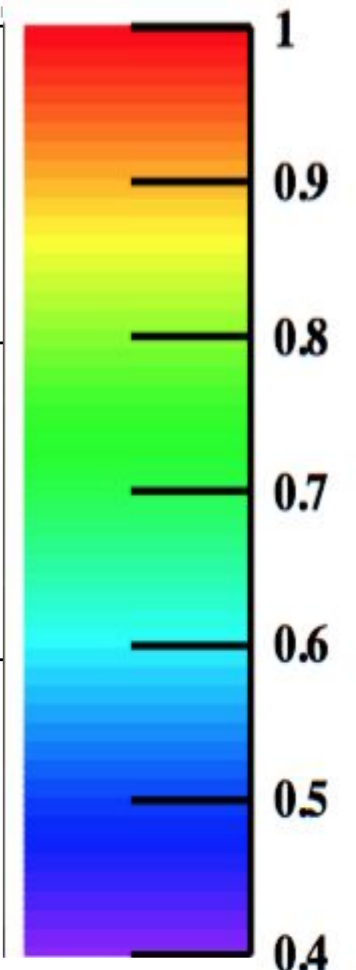
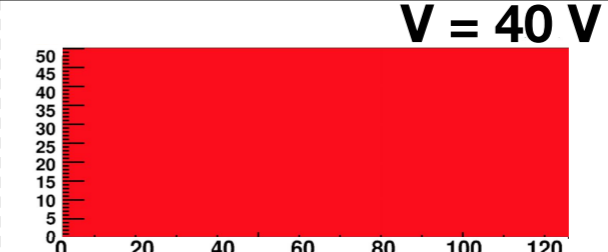
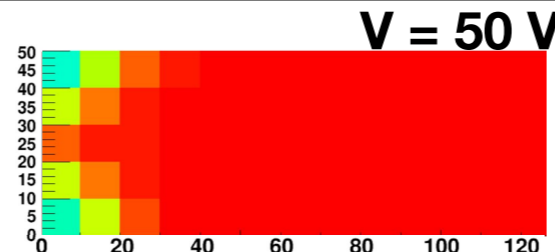
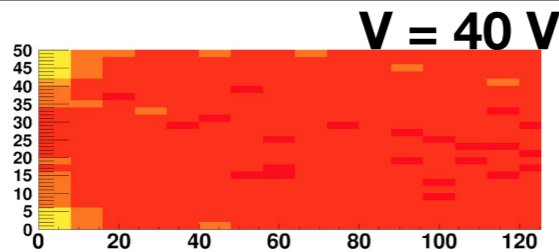
W80 - Prod 2  
Bias Dot



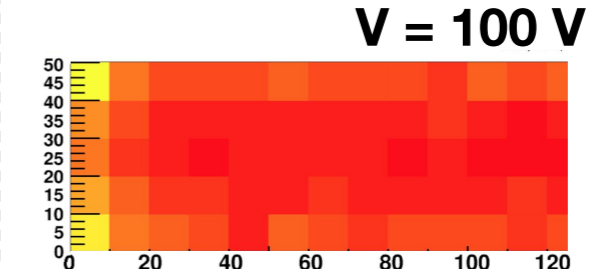
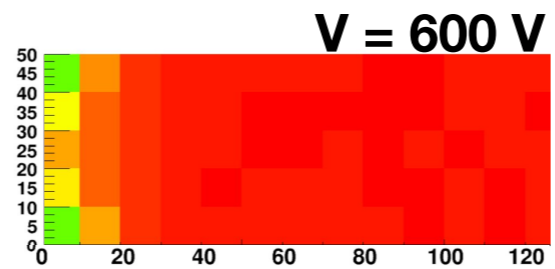
M1.4 - Prod 3  
Temporary Metal



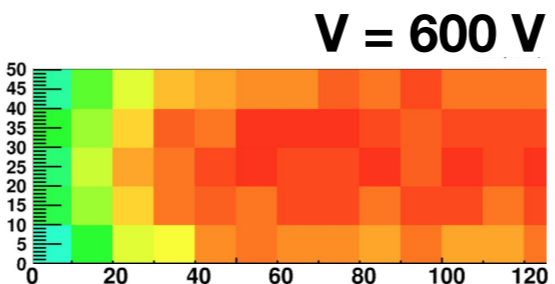
Un-irradiated



Fluence  
 $3 \times 10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$



Fluence  
 $1 \times 10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$



In pixel hit efficiency (half pixels considered):

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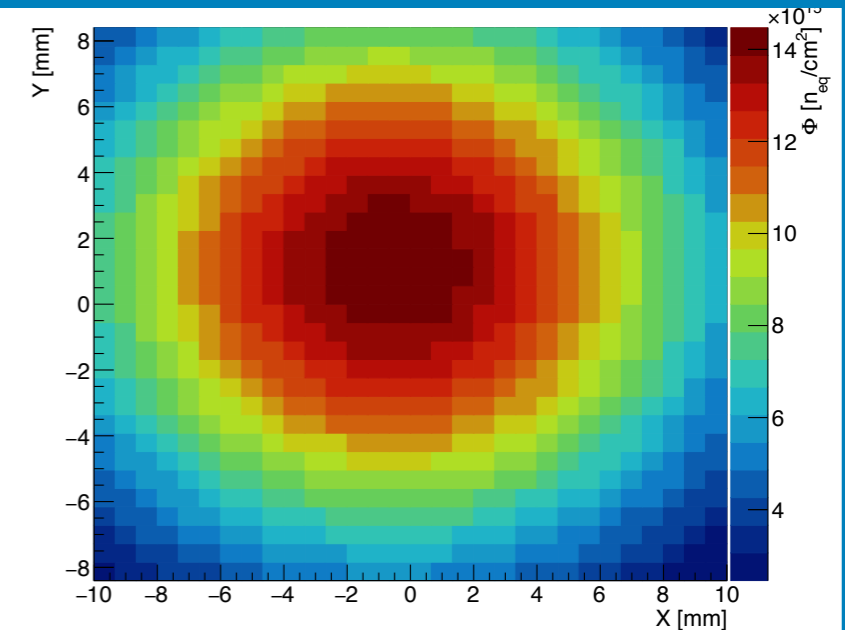
- Degradation of efficiency in the corner with bias dot
- More uniform efficiency for temporary metal, even after irradiation



## Thin sensor - W80

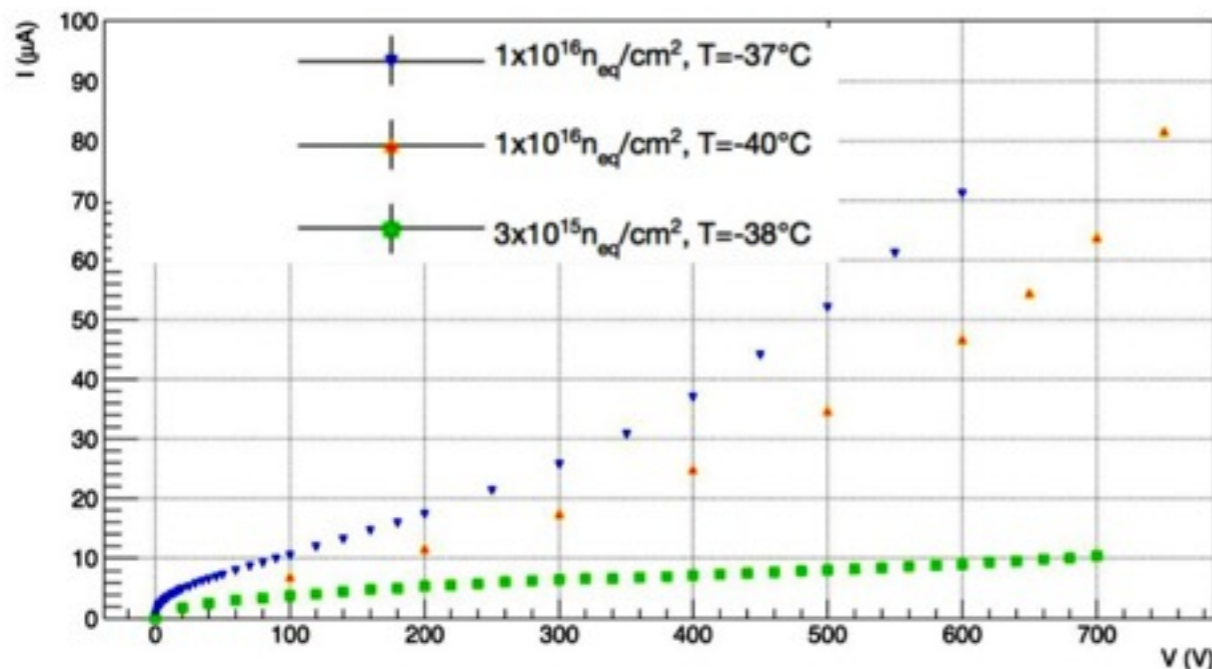
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- Thickness: 130  $\mu\text{m}$
- Biasing system: bias dot
- Classic edge, 2 Guard rings
- Irradiated non uniformly in two times at CERN irradiation facility: peak fluence  $1.4 \times 10^{16} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



## Leakage current and power dissipation

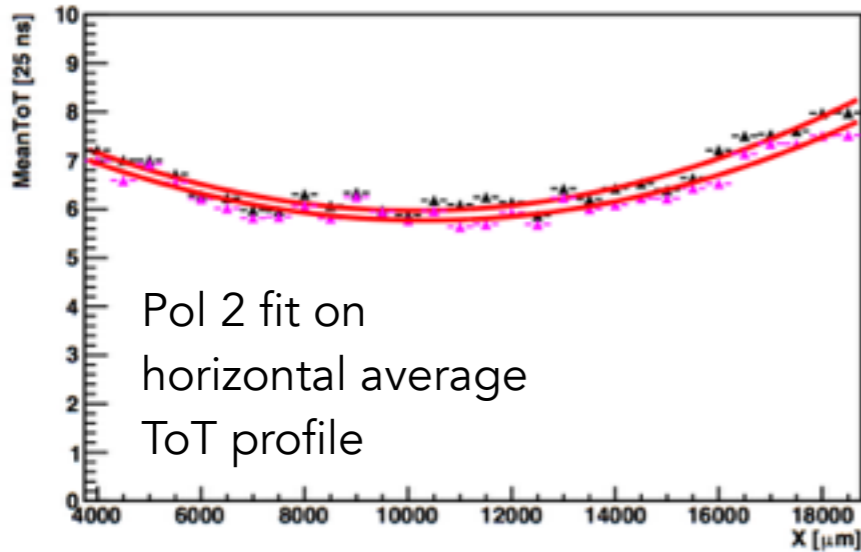
Sensor power dissipation at  $-25^\circ\text{C}$   $\sim 40\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2 \rightarrow 4$  times more than 3D sensors  
( $V_{3D}$  4x smaller)



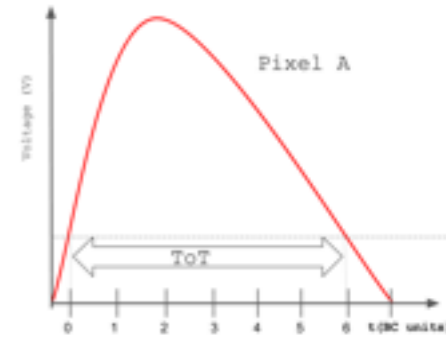
Current related damage rate  $\alpha$ :  $\Delta I = \alpha V \Phi$

- Compatible with literature value at  $3 \times 10^{15} n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  ( $\alpha = 4.0 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm}$ )
- Higher value ( $\alpha = 8.0 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm}$ ) for highest fluence due to impact ionisation and limited annealing

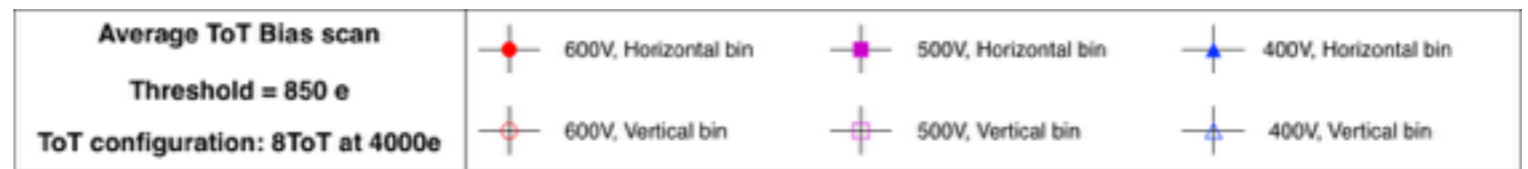
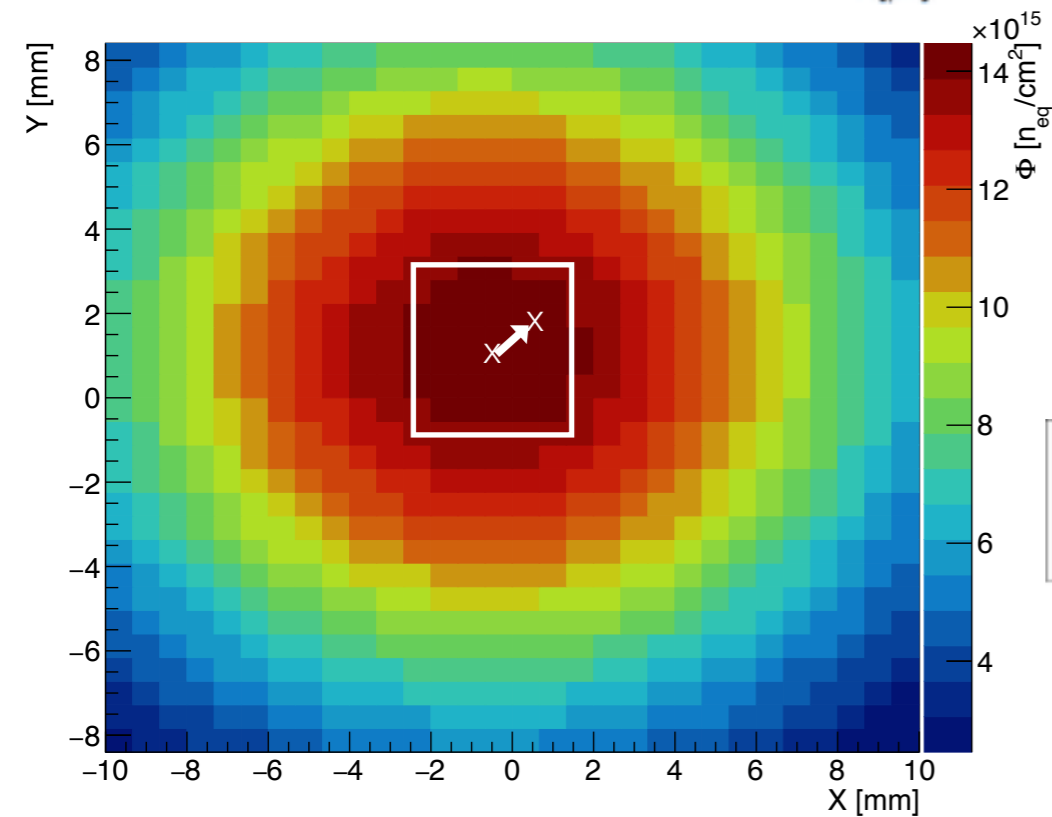
Horizontal profile, ROI: Up



Data from CERN irradiation facility: **2D gaussian fluence profile, +/- 2 mm uncertainty on fluence peak position.** To obtain a more constraint peak position:

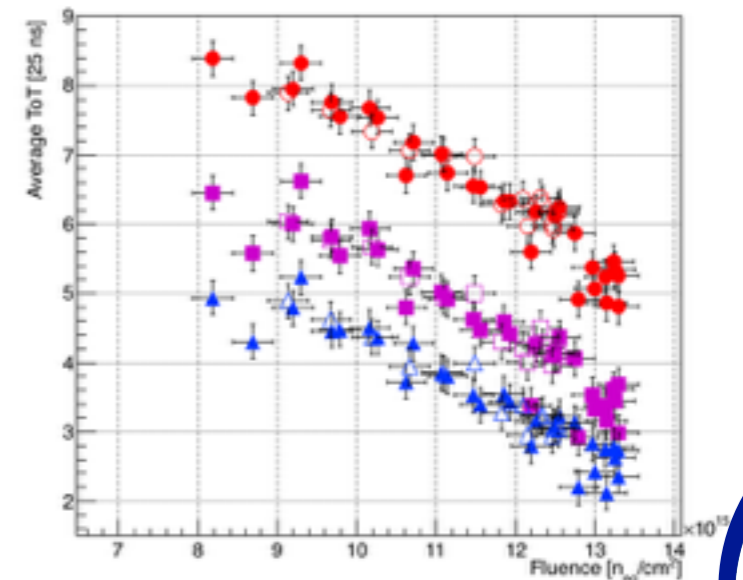
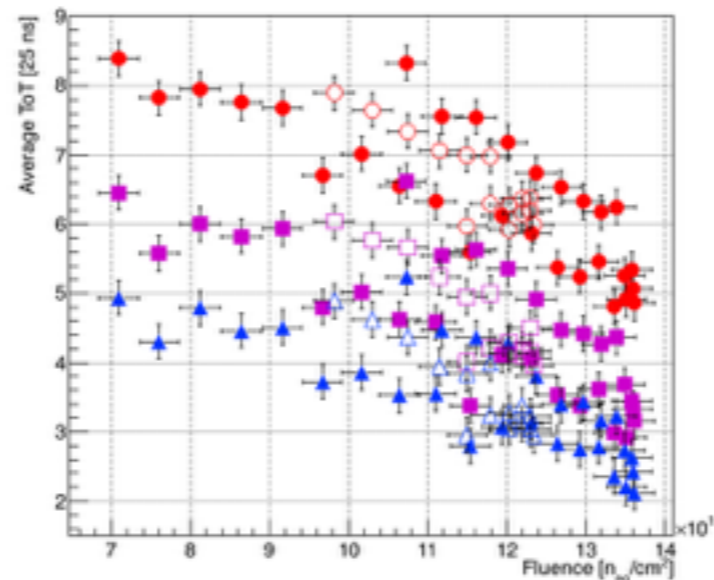


- Plot the average ToT (Time-over-Threshold) vertical and horizontal profiles for several configurations,
- Fit with a pol2 function and extract the minimum position (X and Y), use it as the new fluence peak



No Fluence peak constraint

With Fluence peak constraint

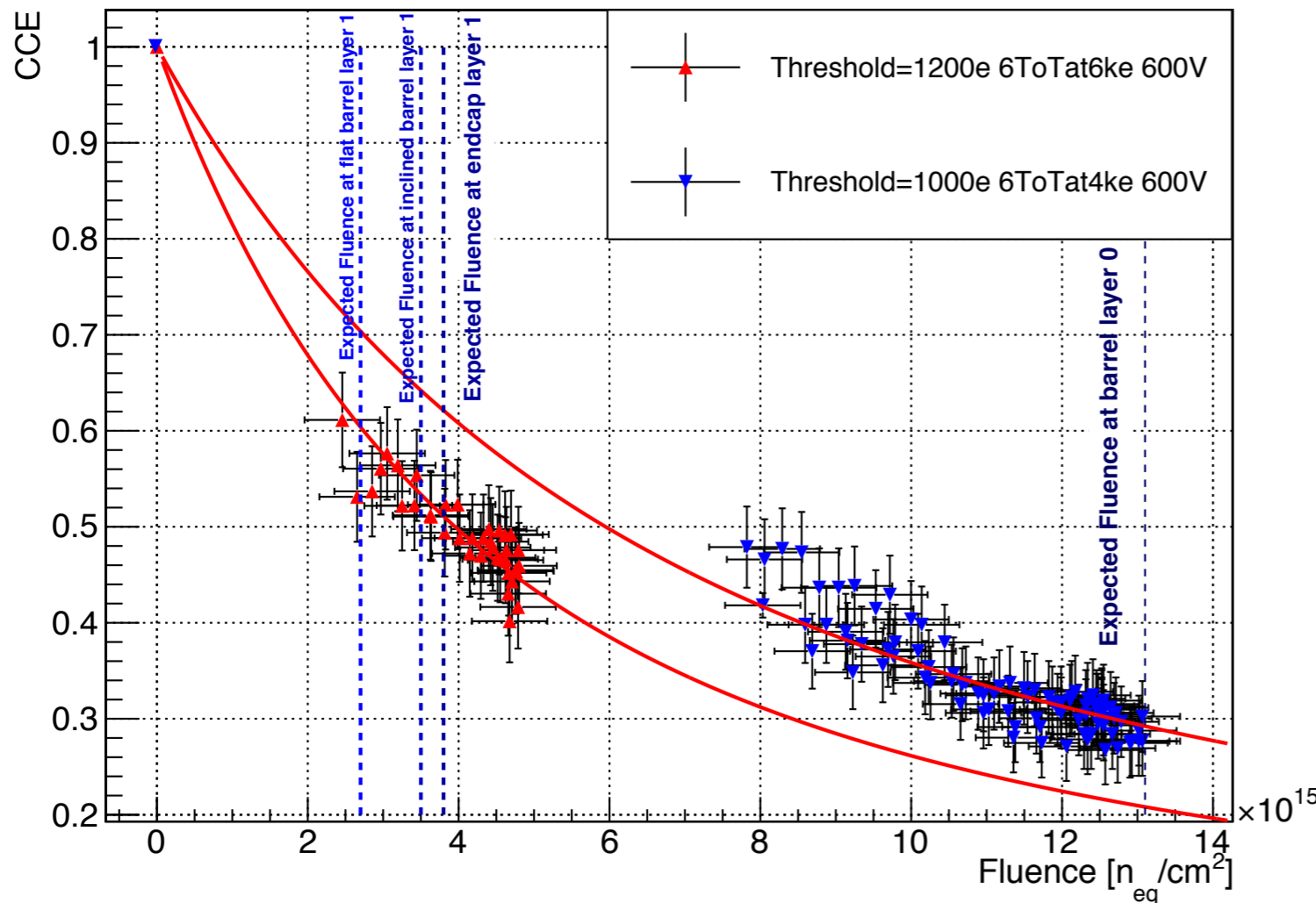


As a result: Less dispersion of ToT for same fluence



**CCE = average charge after irradiation/  
before irradiation**

Hecht fit - > extraction of  $\beta$  the effective trapping constant



	Fluence ( $10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$ )			
	2.7	3.5	3.8	13.1
Thr=1200e, 6ToT at 6000e, CCE =	61%	53%	51%	21%
Thr=1000e, 6ToT at 4000e, CCE =	71%	64%	62%	29%

- CCE highly dependent of the threshold target
- CCE drops drastically with the fluence (<30% at  $1.3 \times 10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$ )

➔ This data will be used to compare with radiation damage digitization at high (ITk-like) fluence

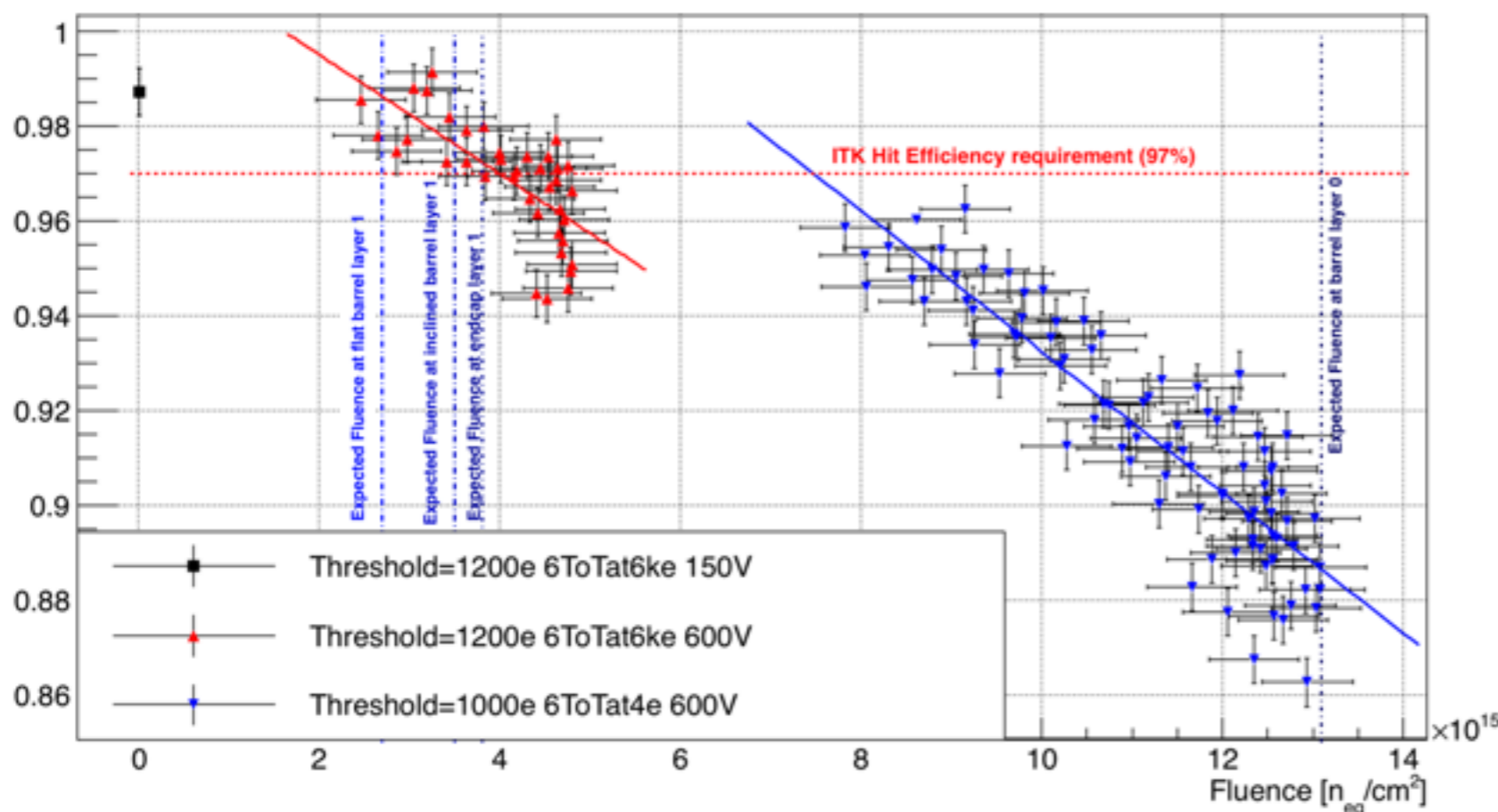
- Reference  $\beta_e = 6.6 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{-16} cm^2/ns$  and  $\beta_h = 10.1 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{-16} cm^2/ns$  (from Kramberger et al ATL-INDET-2002-006)

- Lower values found (different tuning, annealing, approximations used ...):

- at intermediate fluence:  $\beta_e = \beta_h = 5.5 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{-16} cm^2/ns$

- at high fluence:  $\beta_e = \beta_h = 3.6 \pm 0.1 \times 10^{-16} cm^2/ns$

Efficiency higher than 97% up to  $4 \times 10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$  for the red configuration and  $7.5 \times 10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$  for the blue one



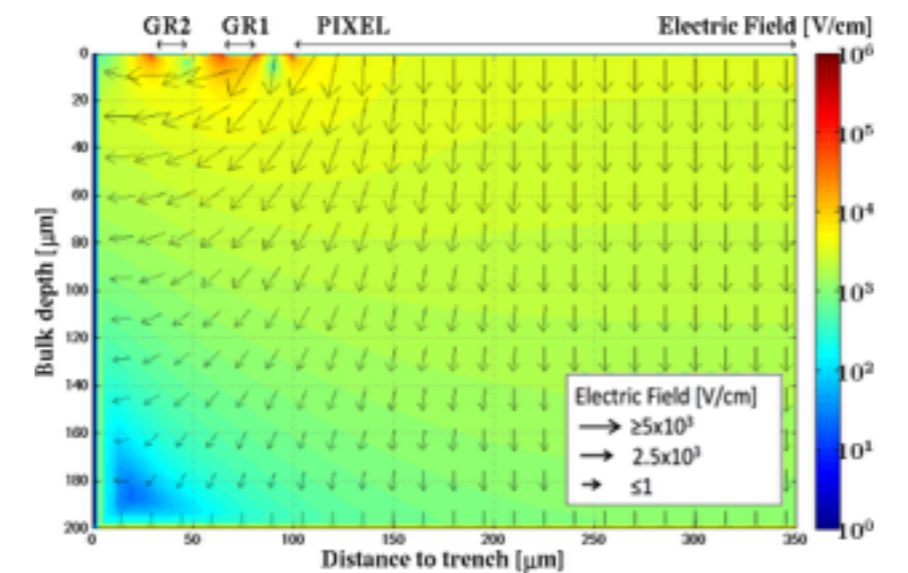
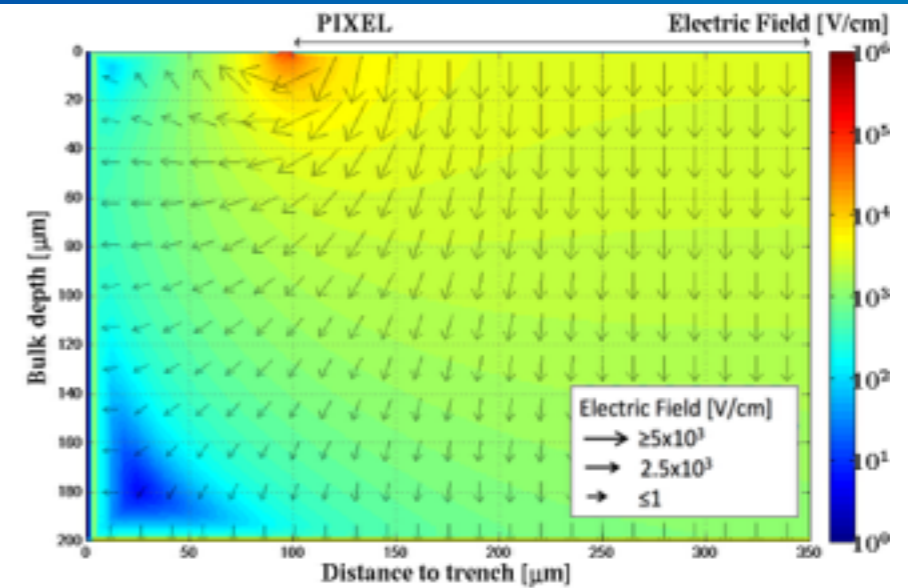
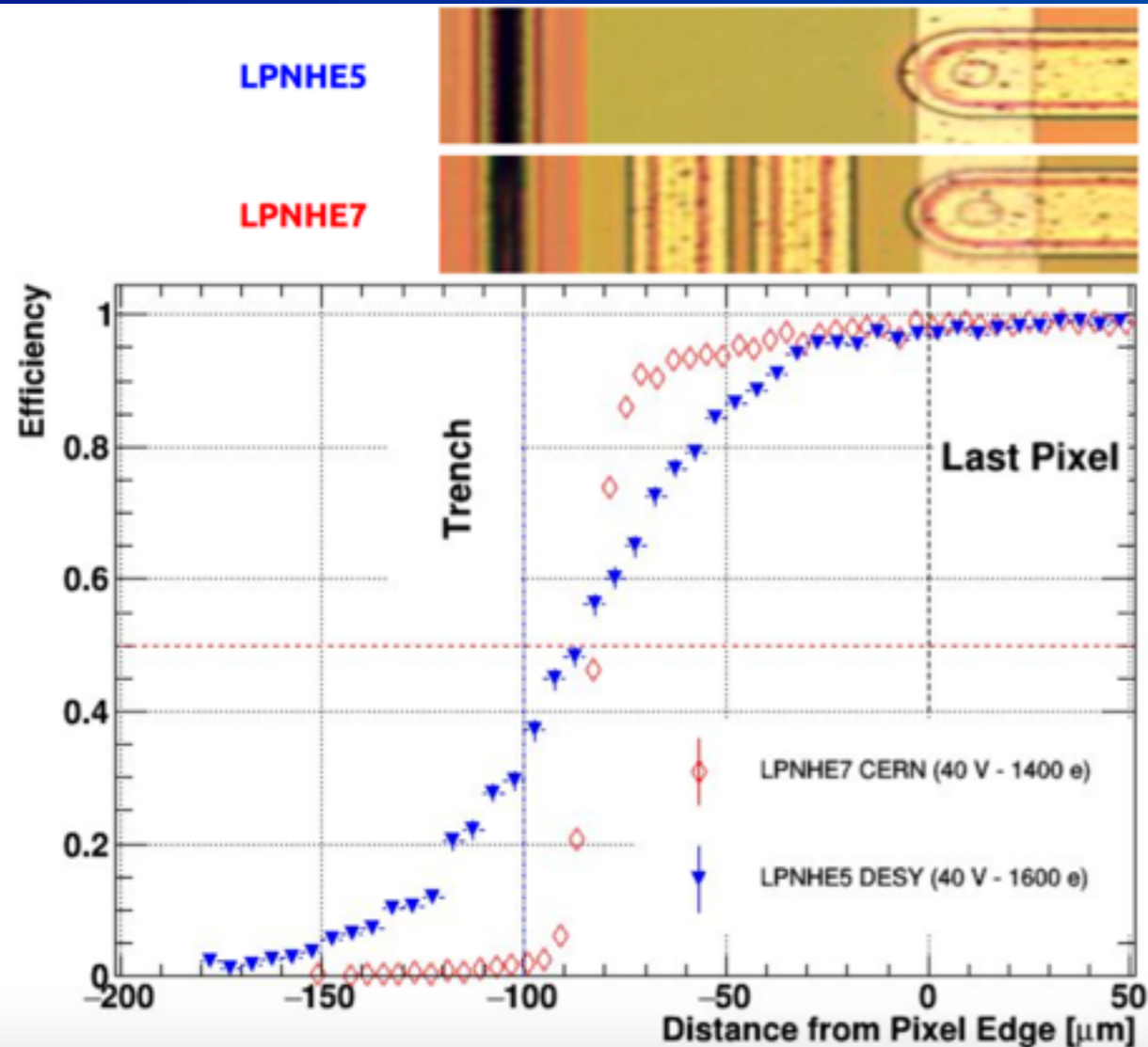
Fluence ( $10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$ )	2.7	3.5	3.8	7.45	13.1
Threshold (electrons)	1200	1200	1200	1000	1000
ToT tuning (ToT corresponding to electrons)	6at6	6at6	6at6	6at4	6at4
Extrapolated Hit Efficiency (% $\pm$ 0.5%)	98.6	97.6	97.2	97.0	88.6

- Large impact of threshold settings
  - Negative impact of bias dots on efficiency
  - Thin sensor of production 2 suited for Layer 1 and outermost layers (hit efficiency  $>97\%$  up to max fluence received)
- ➔ As expected, not suited for innermost layer (low hit efficiency and too high sensor power dissipation)



# **Thin and Edgeless sensors, unirradiated & irradiated**

## Standard Active edge (Production 1)

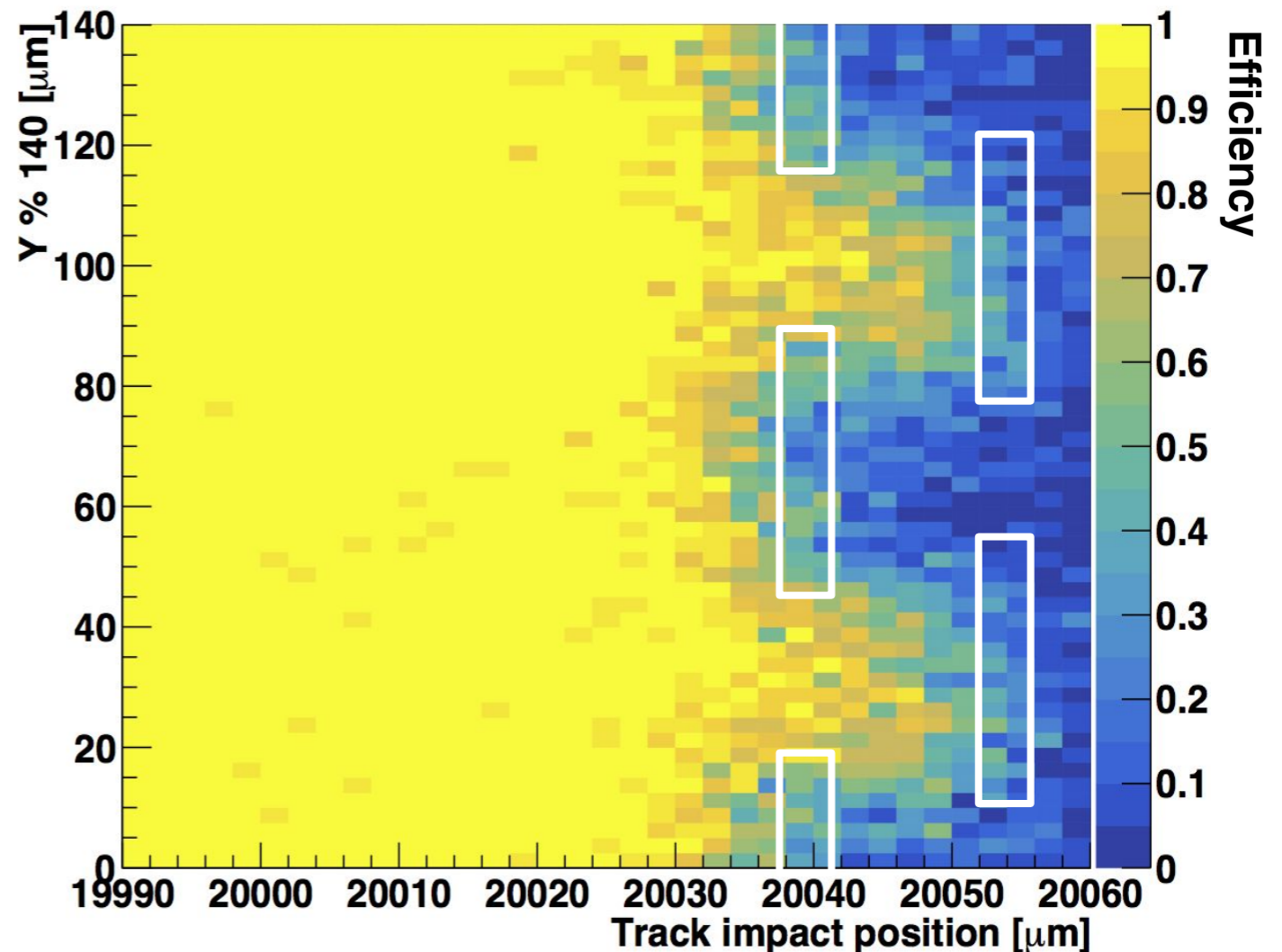
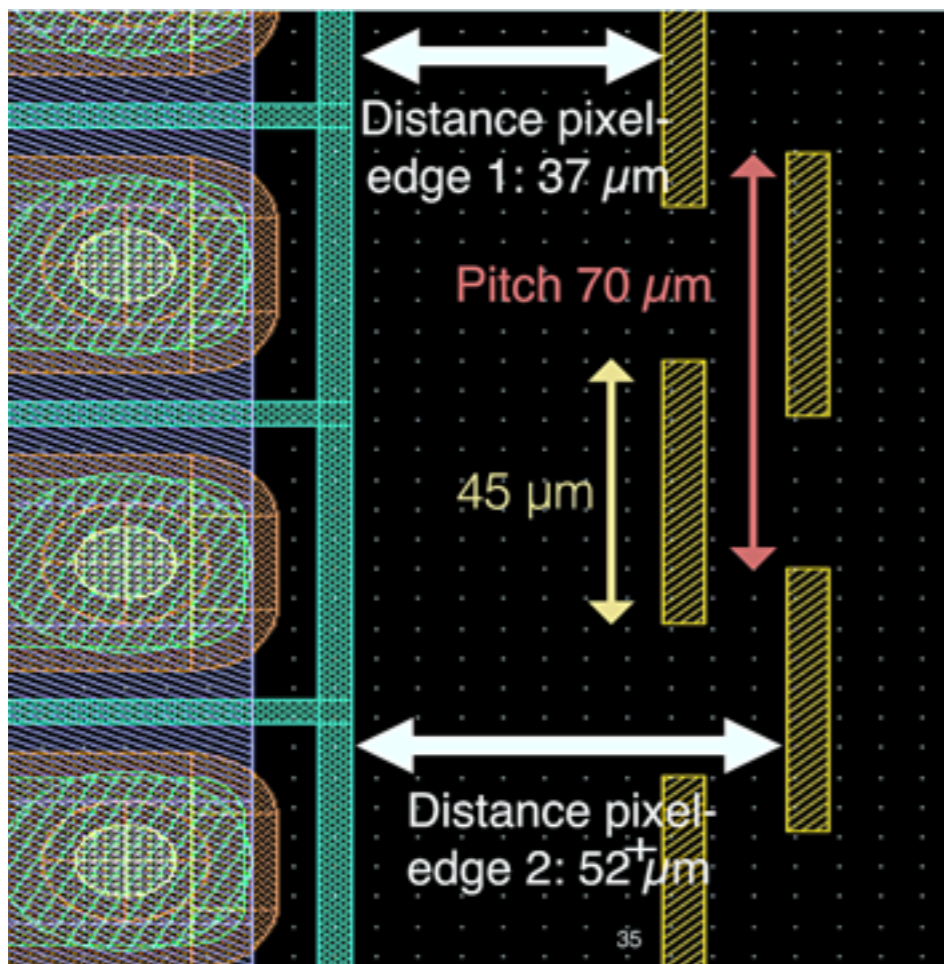


Efficiency in the edge area:

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- Efficiency higher than 80% up to 75 μm from last pixel
- Blue triangles (DESY low energetic e), multiple scattering smear the spatial resolution
- GR don't influence efficiency, supported by TCAD simulations

## Staggered edge design (Production 3)



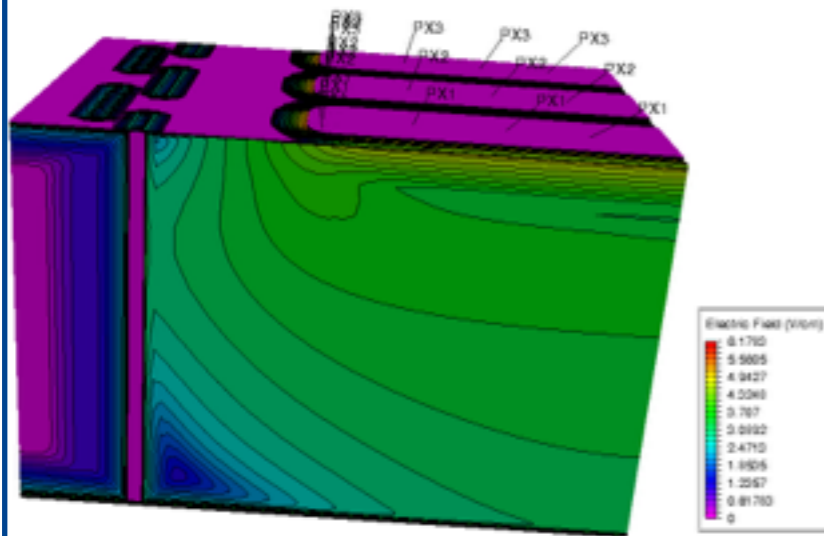
**M1.4 sensor**, staggered edge, 0 GR,  $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$  last pixel to last edge,  $130 \mu\text{m}$  thick, before irradiation:

- ➔ 2 fences of discontinued edges (such sensors do not require a support wafer)
- ➔ The efficiency follows the edge pattern
- ➔ The efficiency is higher than 50% up to  $44 \mu\text{m}$  from the last pixel

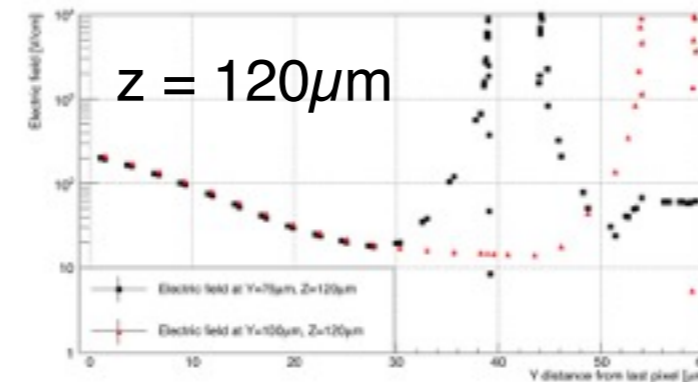
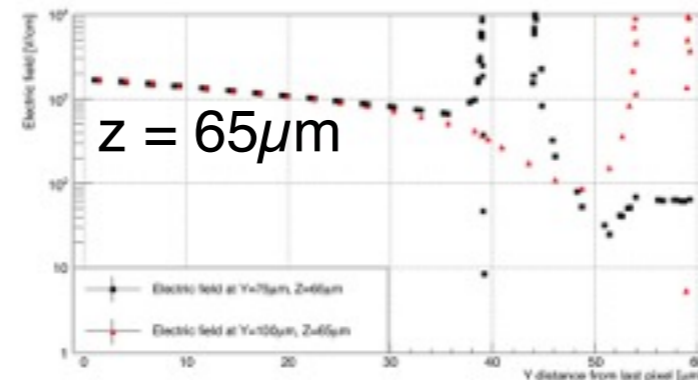
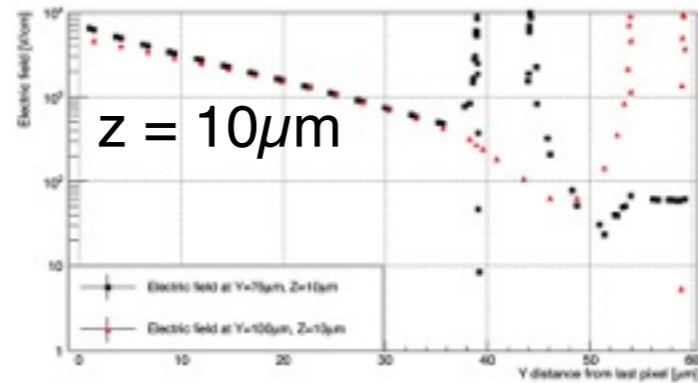
## TCAD Simulations - Electric field

Simulation of the electric field for several depth  $z$  in the sensor:

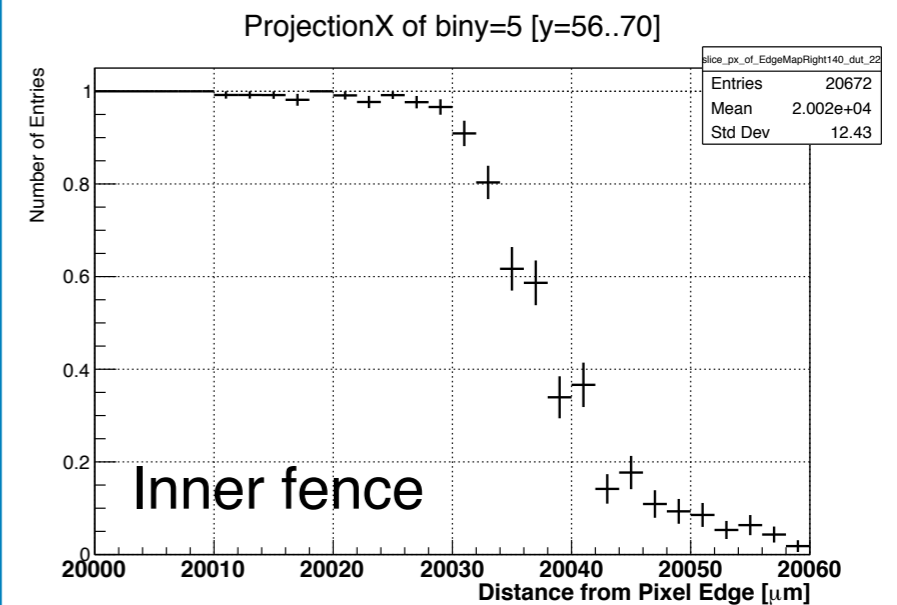
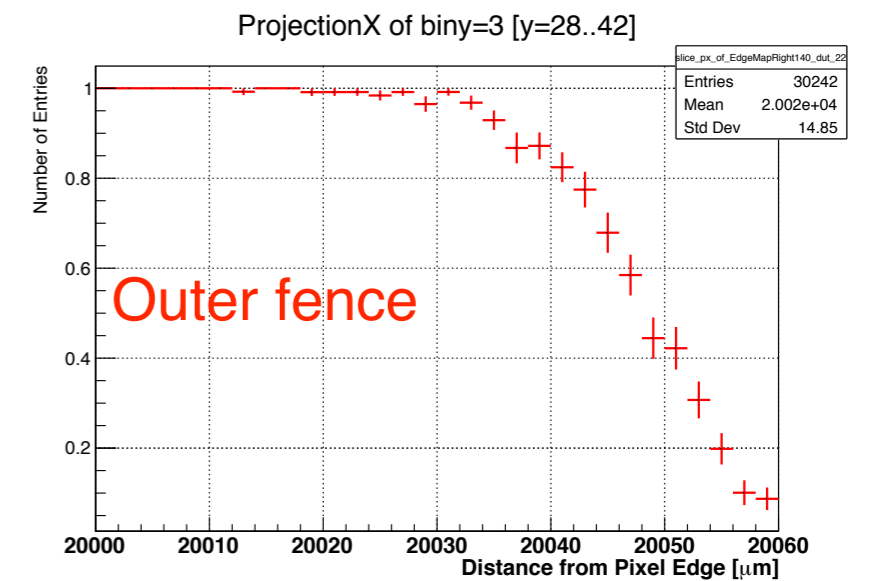
- E drops at 0 when at edge position
- low E in the bottom corner close to the edge.



Outer fence Inner fence



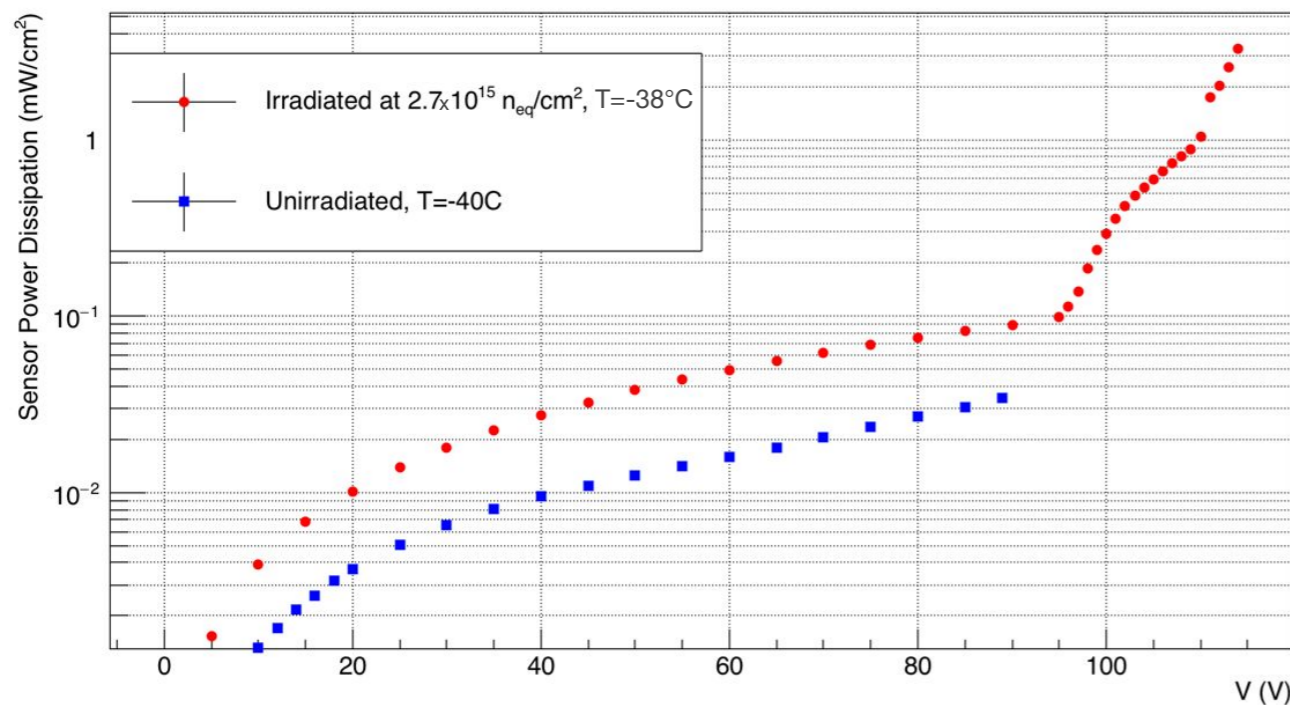
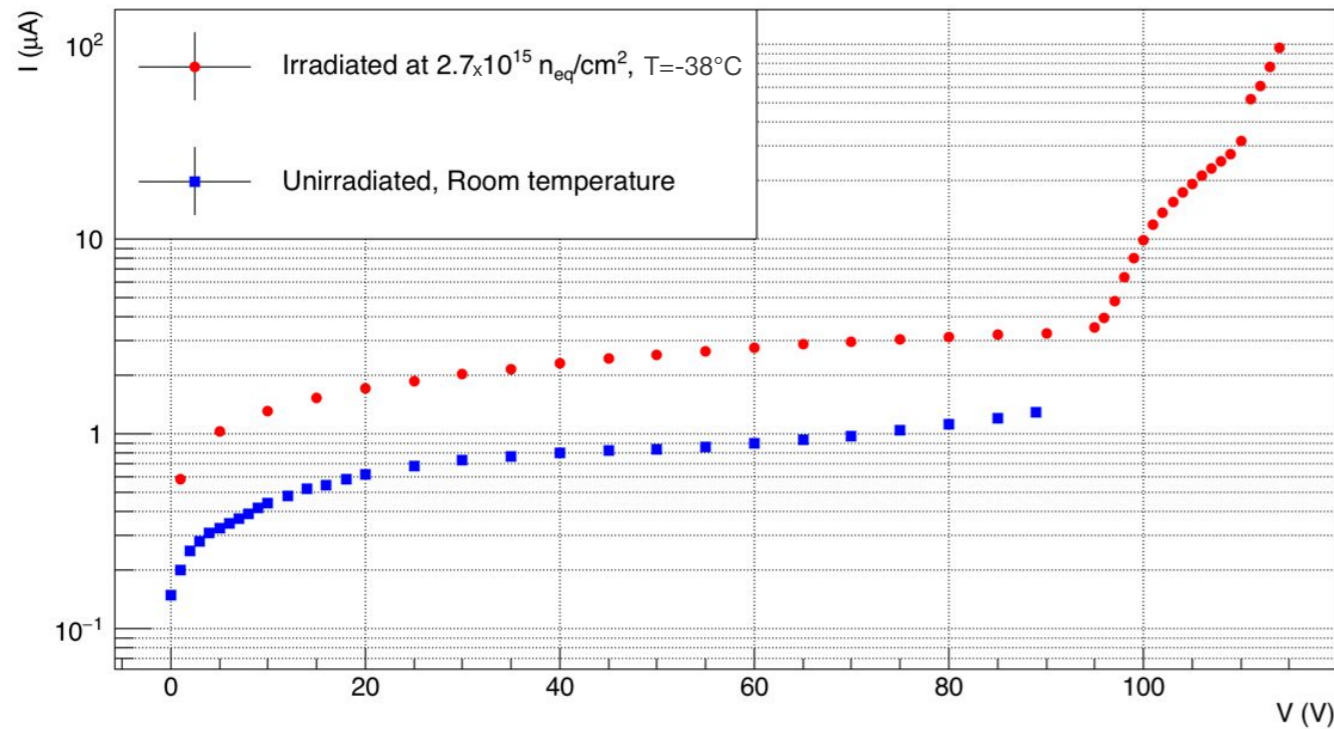
## Edge Efficiency



Efficiency drop matches the Electric field drop in the vicinity of the edge

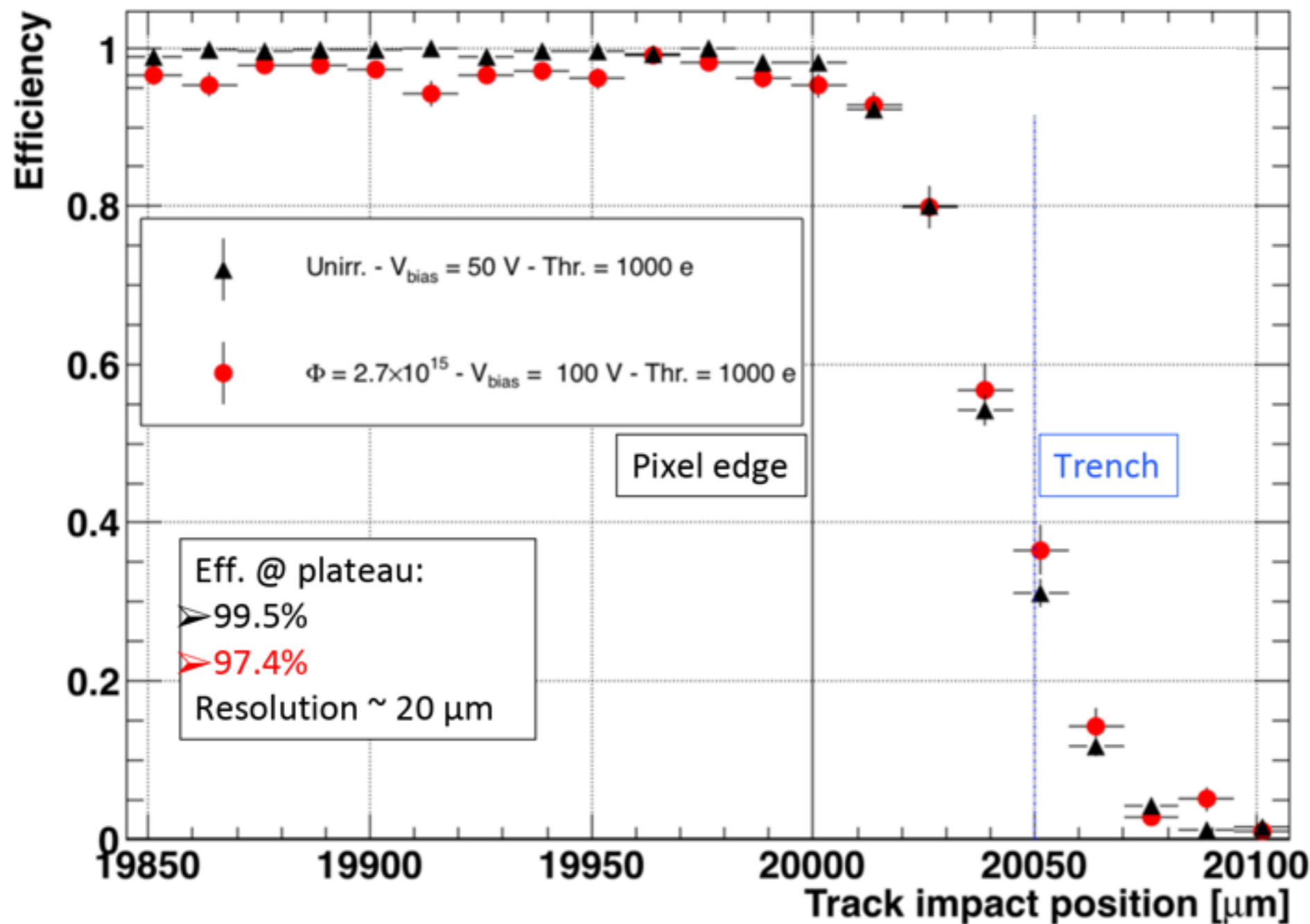


## Staggered Active edge - Irradiated



- M1.4 irradiated uniformly at  $2.7 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$
- **Early soft breakdown** around 90V (observed by other ITk group)
  - ➔ discharges at the edge of the sensor between the sensor and the chip
- Estimation of  $\alpha$  value ( $\alpha = 1.4 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ A}/\text{cm}$ ), **compatible with partial depletion of the sensor**
- At 100-110 V and  $-25^\circ\text{C}$  Sensor power dissipation is  $0.4 \text{ mW}/\text{cm}^2$

## Staggered trench edge efficiency after irradiation



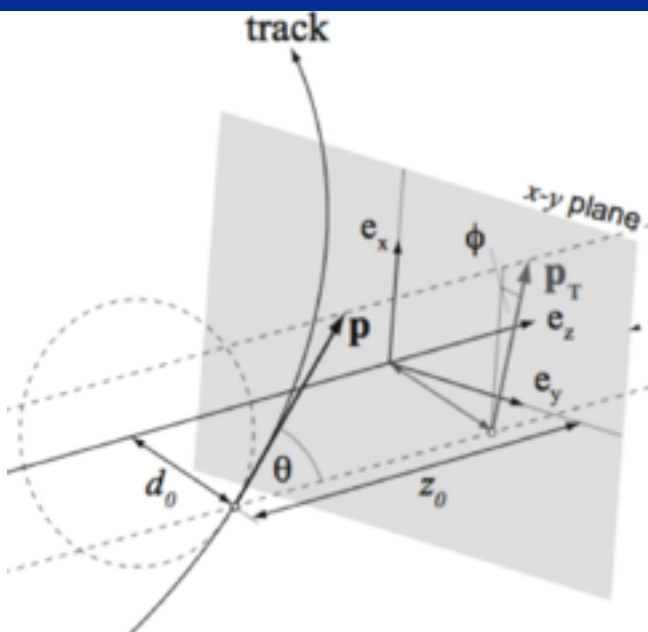
Edge efficiency after irradiation + in soft BD conditions:

- Comparable to unirradiated performance
- Efficiency higher than 80% up to 25  $\mu\text{m}$  from last pixel
- Plateau Efficiency: 97.5%

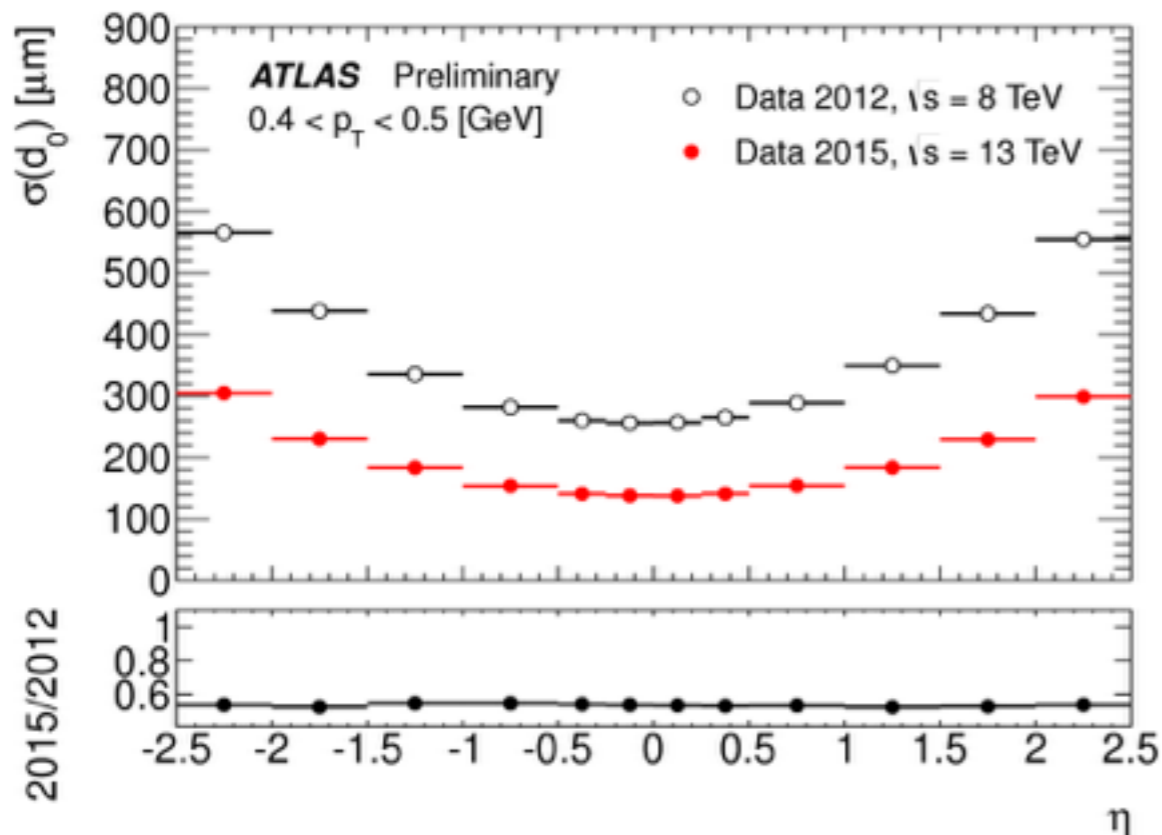
# b-tagging upgrade for ITk

- b-tagging at ITk
- SV1 Optimization
- b-tagging extrapolation at high  $p_T$

## Tracking



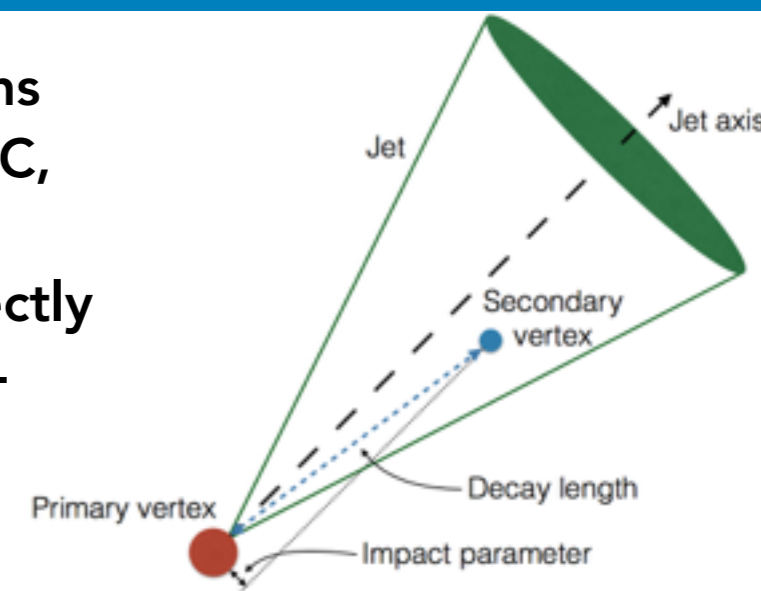
- 2 local parameters: longitudinal and transversal impact parameters  $d_0$  &  $z_0$
- 3 global parameters:  $q/p_T$ ,  $\phi$  &  $\theta$



The addition of the IBL helped to improve the tracking performance

## b-tagging

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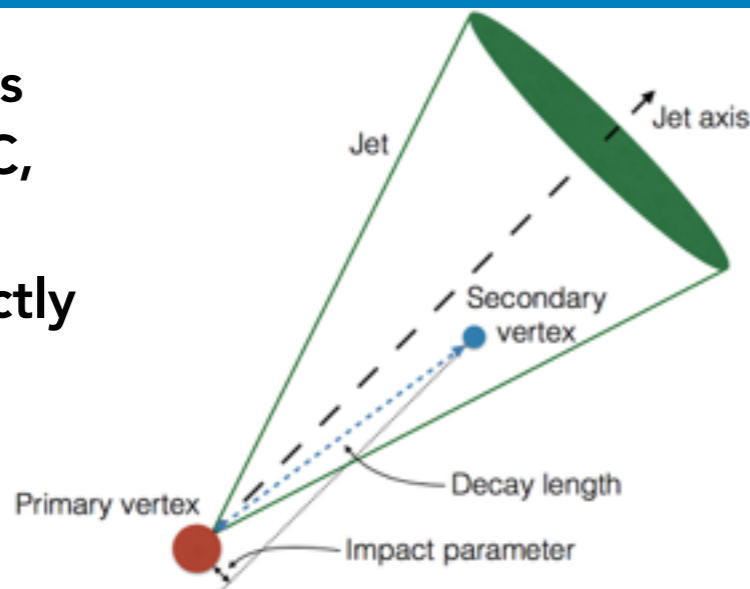
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## Algorithms upgrade for ITk

b-tagging at ITk:

- crucial ingredient in a large number of analysis including  $hh \rightarrow bbbb$  and  $hh \rightarrow bby\gamma$  channels ...
- have to be upgraded to deal with HL-LHC conditions and ITk geometry
- IP3D** - already optimized (ITk pixel TDR)
- SV1 - Optimization study presented in next slides**
- JetFitter** and **Multivariate techniques**: effort ongoing

Other studies:

- ITk layouts comparison**
- b-tagging performance at high  $p_T$  using  $Z'$  samples

## Secondary vertex finder algorithm (SVF)

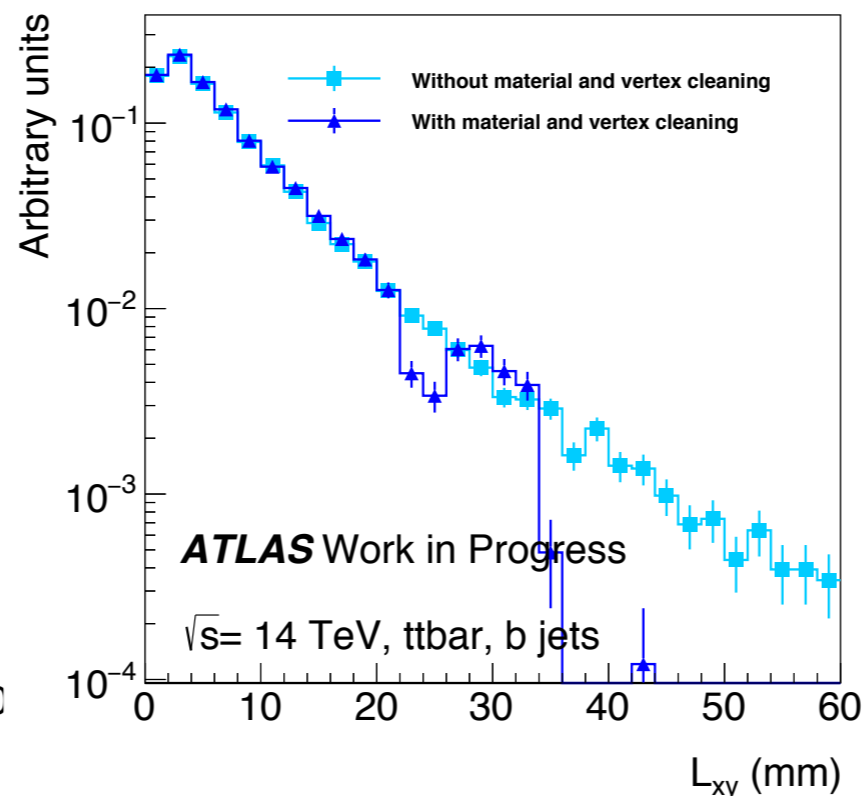
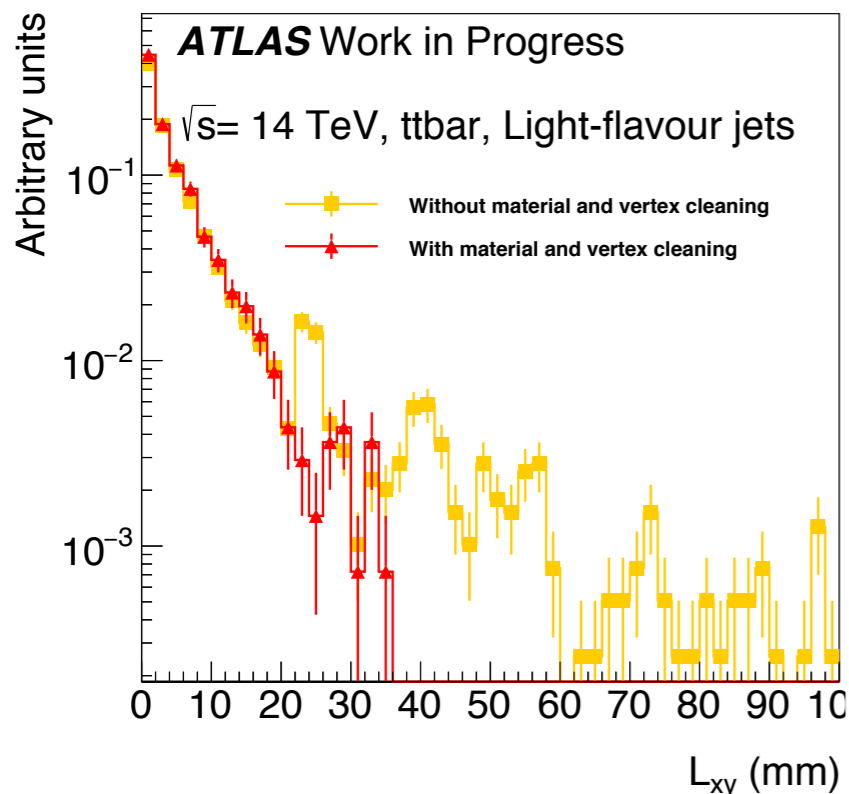
Goal: Create a pool of secondary vertices (SV) passing a set of criteria. Afterwards the SV1 algorithm classifies the SV from b, c and light jets.

1. Tracks selection inside a jet: **Cuts on silicon hits, on track  $p_T$  ...**
2. Formation of all possible 2-track vertices
3. Selection on the 2-track vertices: **Vertex cleaning** disentangle true SV from long lived particles ( $K_S$  or  $\Lambda$ ) decay vertices, photon conversion vertices and vertices from hadronic interaction with matter (**material rejection**).
4. Merging of the 2-track vertices into multi-tracks vertices

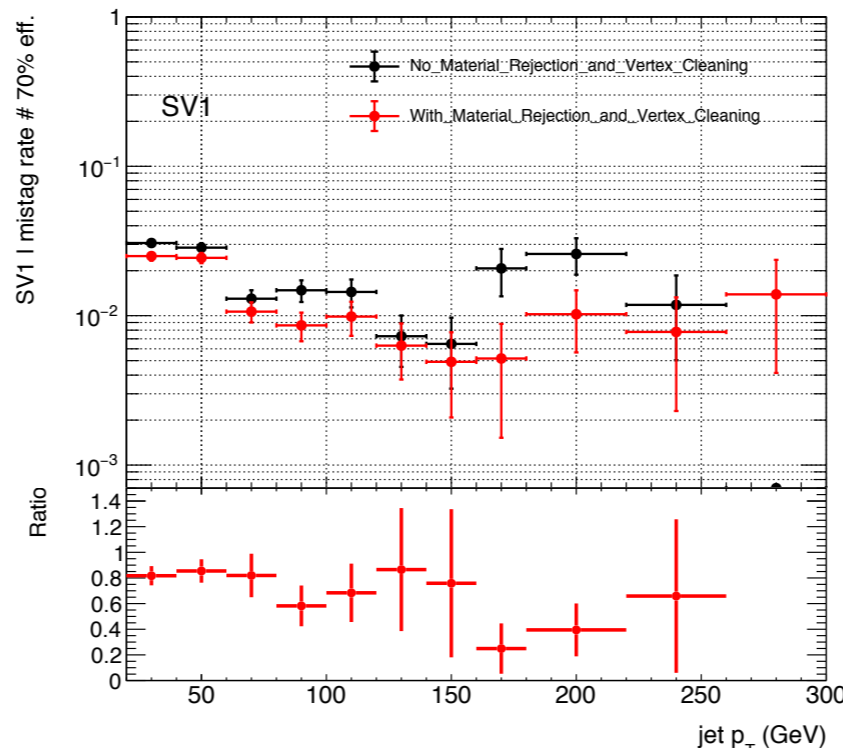
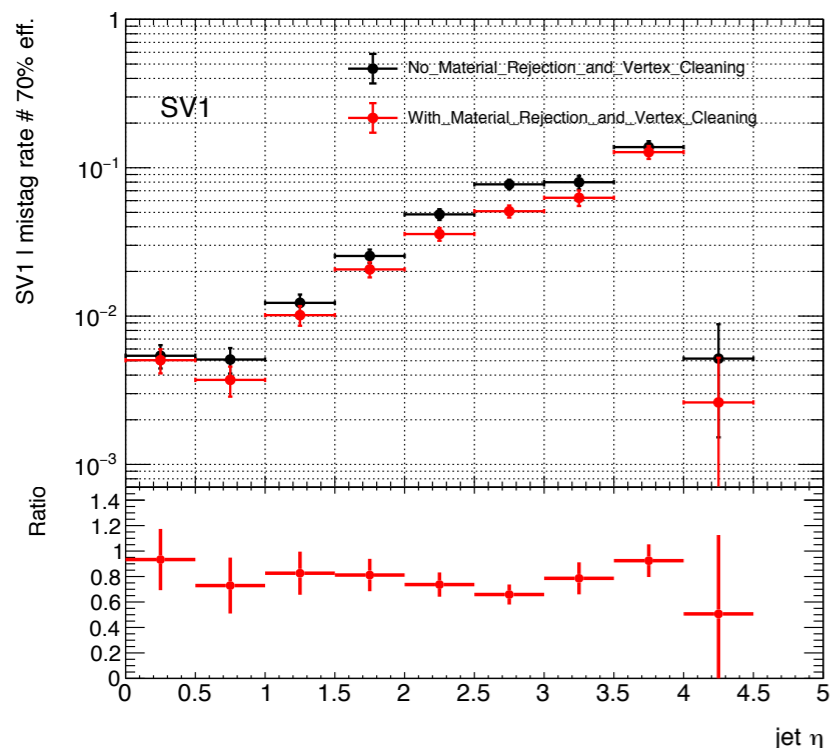
## Optimization studies

- **Material rejection:** Update the SVF algorithm to obtain a material rejection which matches the ITk geometry
- **$p_T$  cuts and Silicon hit cuts optimization**

$L_{xy}$ : transverse distance between the secondary vertex and the primary vertex

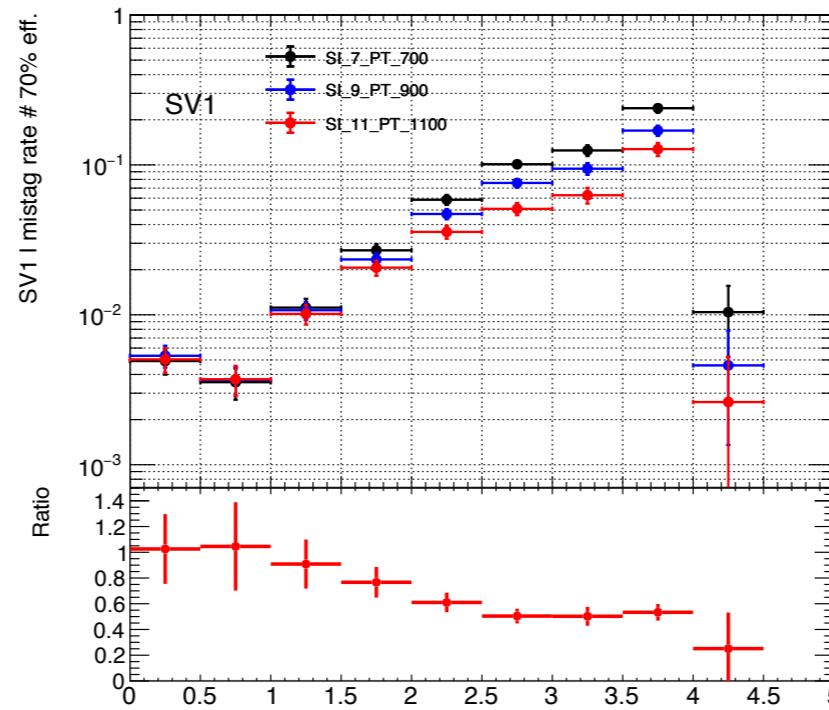
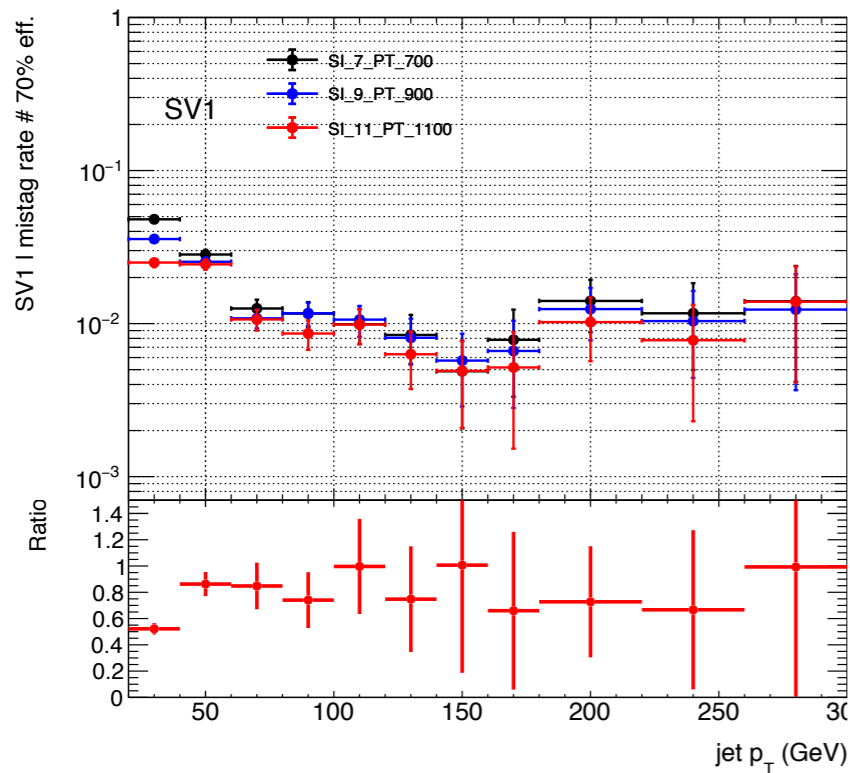


- Yellow spikes correspond to light jets created by hadronic interaction with beam pipes or pixel layers
- Using material rejection allow to discard a lot of light SV from hadronic interaction but also discard some good b-SV, cuts to be refined



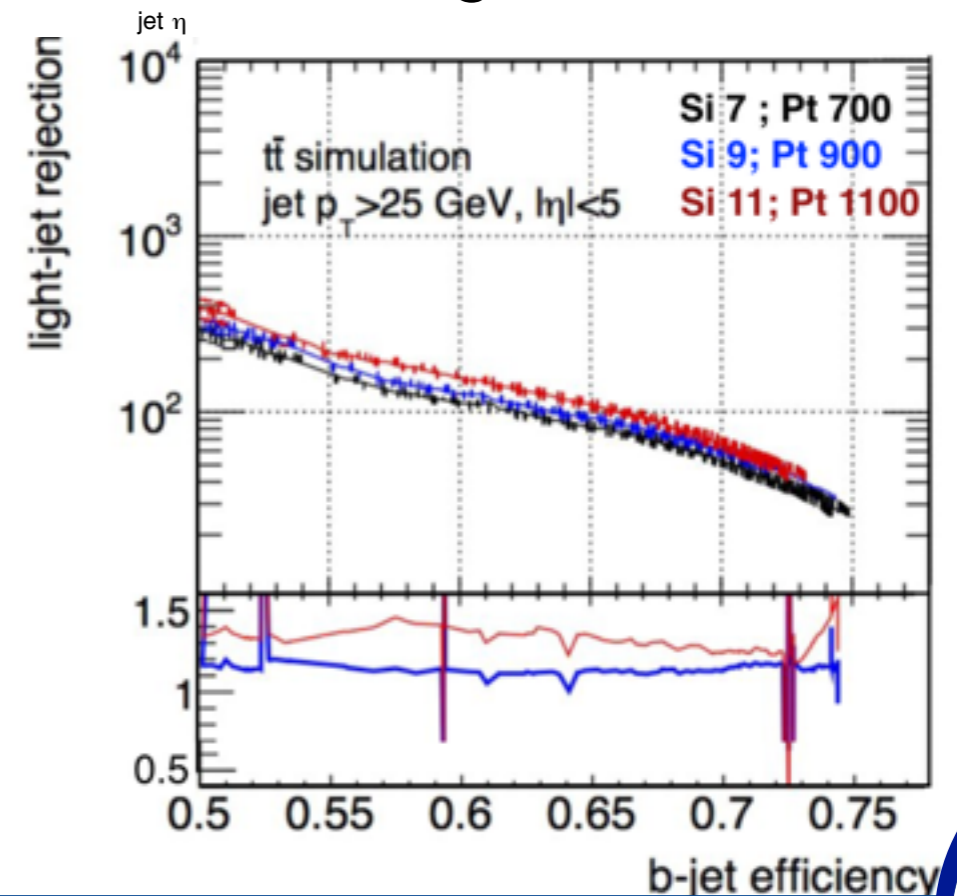
➔ The light-jet mis-tag rate is diminished by at least 20 % over the jet  $p_T$  spectrum and 20-40 % for  $0.5 < |\eta| < 3.5$

Several  $p_T$  cut options (700, 900 and 1100 MeV) and cuts on the number of silicon hits (7,9 and 11) investigated



- The most stringent selection (1100 MeV, Si Hits Cut=11) gives better results (lower  $l$ -mistag rate) at medium and high  $\eta$  and along the full  $p_T$  range.

- The configuration (1100 MeV, Si Hits Cut=11) results in an **increase of the Light-flavour jet rejection of roughly 30%** compared to the (700 MeV, Si Hits Cut=7) configuration





## Thin and irradiated sensors

- Good **Hit-Efficiency** for thin sensors at ITk outermost layer fluences
- The **temporary metal option** results in **more uniform and higher hit efficiency** even **after irradiation**
- Charge collection efficiency: **drops drastically with the fluence**: To be used to validate radiation damage model at ITk like fluence
- Active edge: **Edge efficiency** recovered for 2 edge designs and for irradiated sensor in soft breakdown regime

Next: Test of irradiated small pitch pixels modules + tests on irradiated standard active edge modules.  
ITk decision on design features: early 2019

## Radiation damage digitizer

- Evaluation of the impact of Chiochia model parameters variations
- **Validation of radiation damage digitizer on charge collection efficiency**
- **Impact of fluence and bias voltage on tracks and clusters**

Next: Redo the study with higher pT samples and higher statistics, quantify impact on b-tagging and higher level physics objects using ttbar and Vh, h→bb samples

## b-tagging for ITk

- SV1 optimization using updated **material rejection** and **stringent tracks criteria: increase of light-flavour jet rejection**