

Simulation model for discharges study in MPGD

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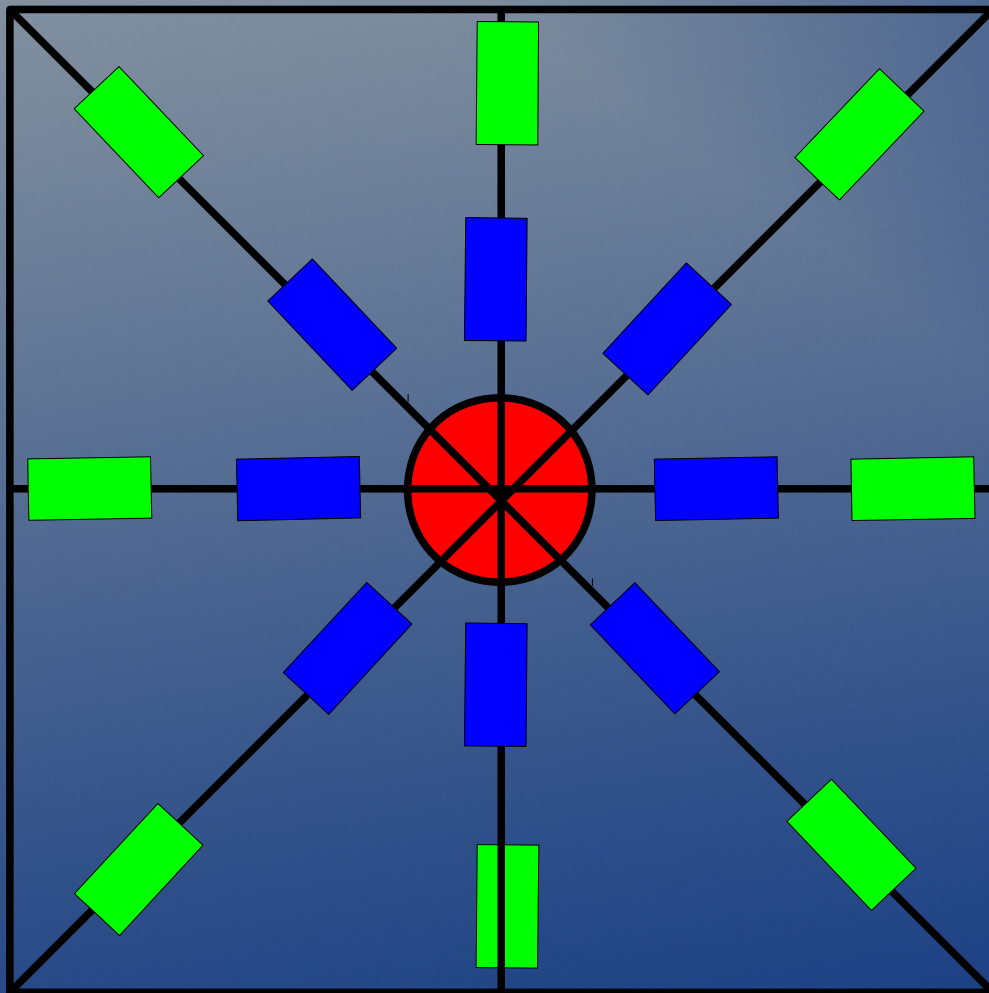
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GOAL :

- Define the optimum material for the resistive layer and the optimum size and thickness (spark protection/signal collection)

BUT : model must be correct in order to have a good background

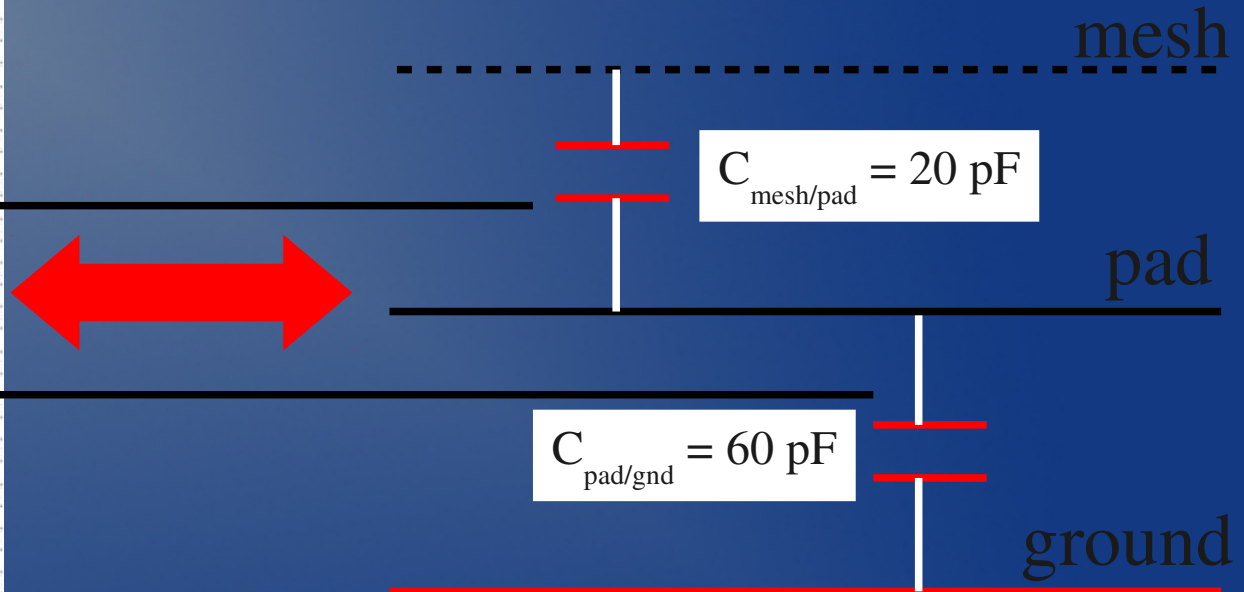
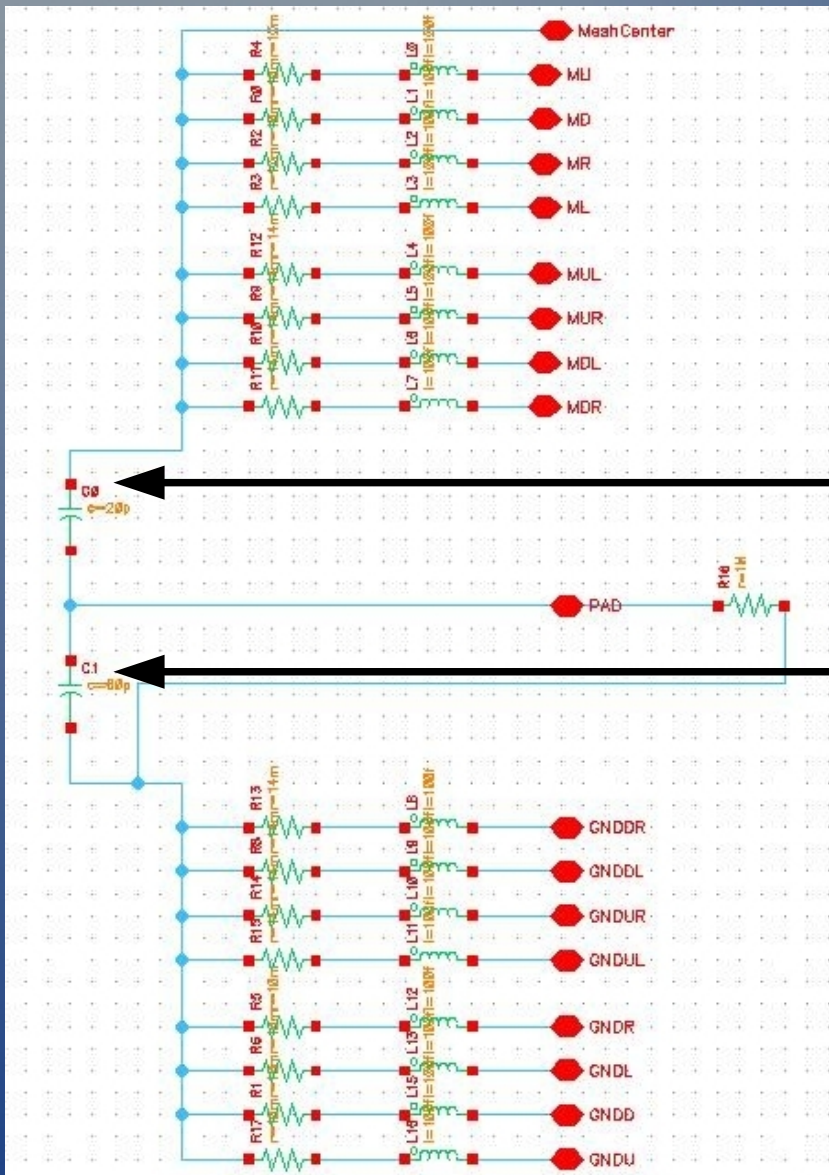
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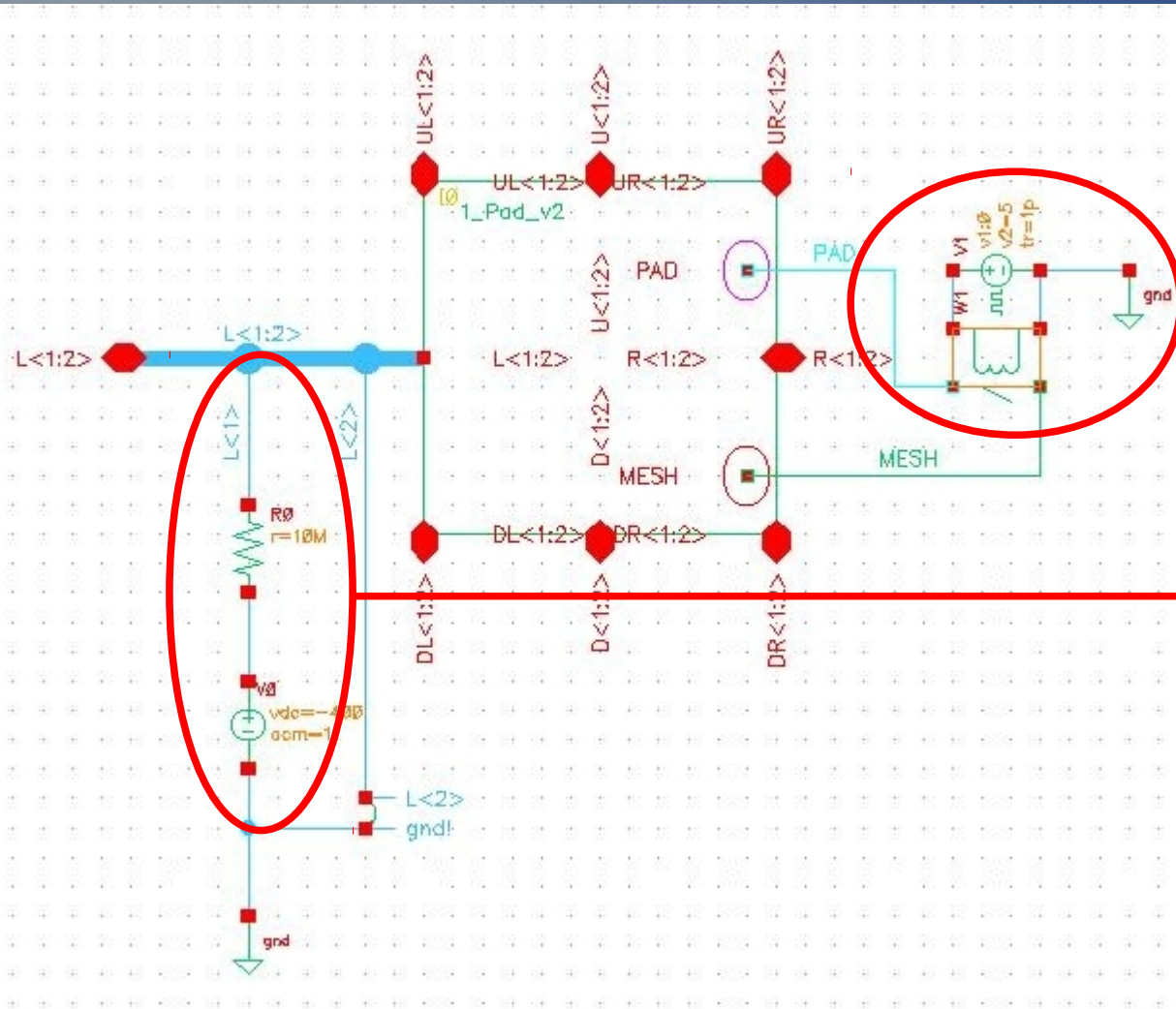
Modelisation of the mesh and the ground plane : connection with the neighbour via resistor ($R = 10 \text{ m}\Omega$ for horizontal and vertical and $14 \text{ m}\Omega$ for diagonal) and inductance ($L = 100 \text{ fH}$)
The pad and mesh described by a point

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Elementary cell



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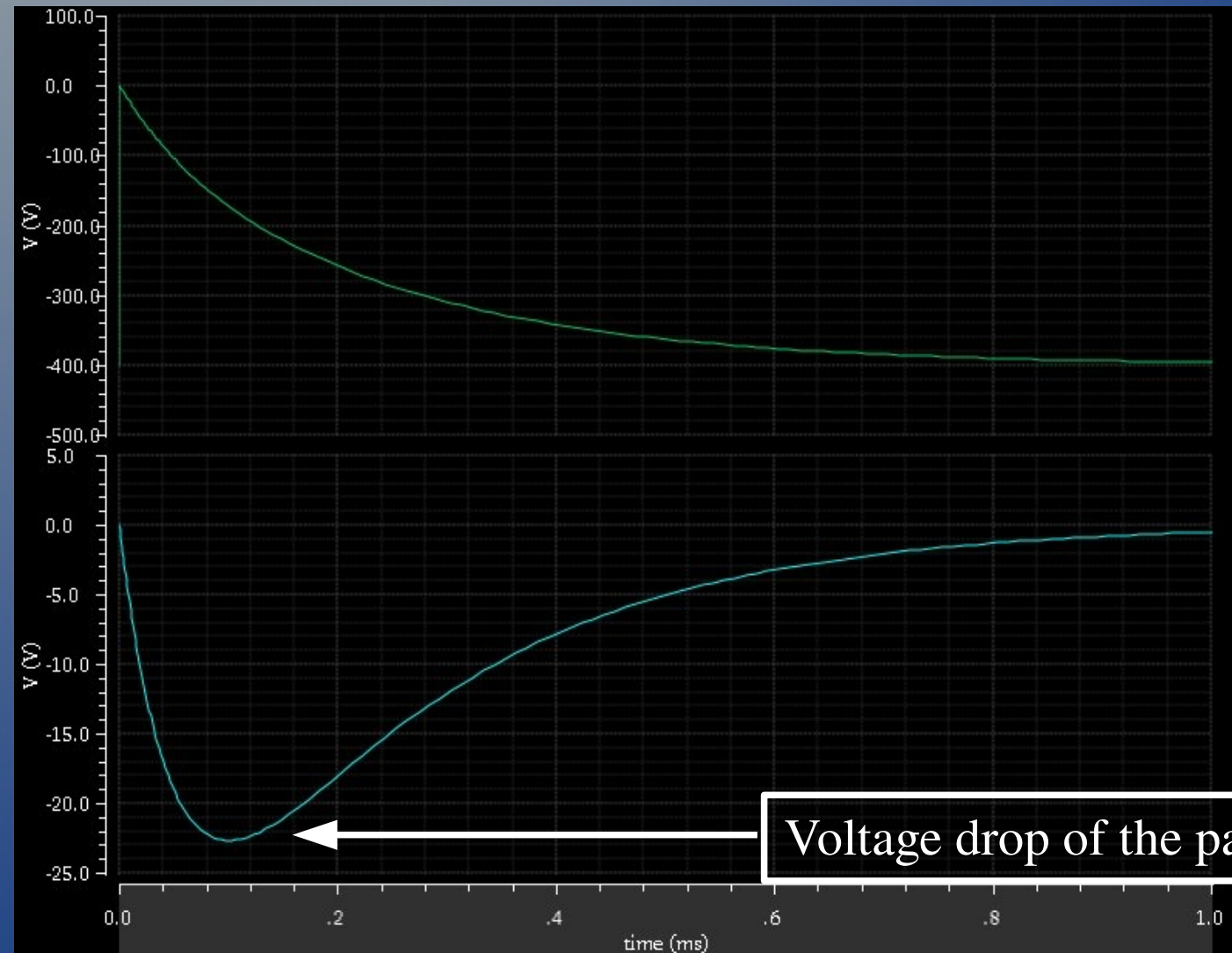
Switch to modelise
discharge (short cut
between mesh and pad)

Power supply of the mesh

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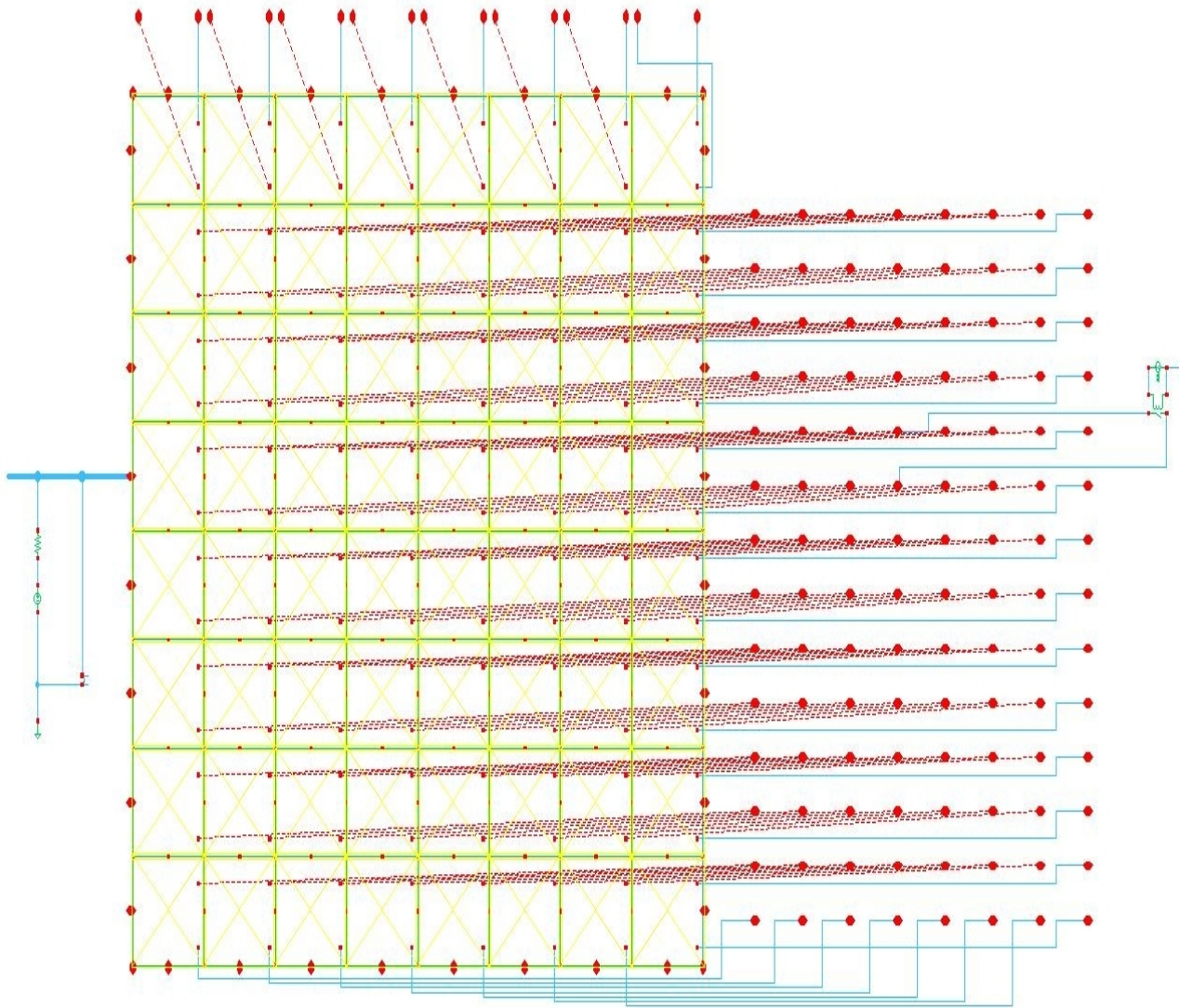
Discharge model:
switch closed @ $1\mu\text{s}$
rise time = fall time = 1 ps
pulse duration = 1 ns

Fast component for the
mesh and slow for the pad



Voltage drop of the pad : -23 V

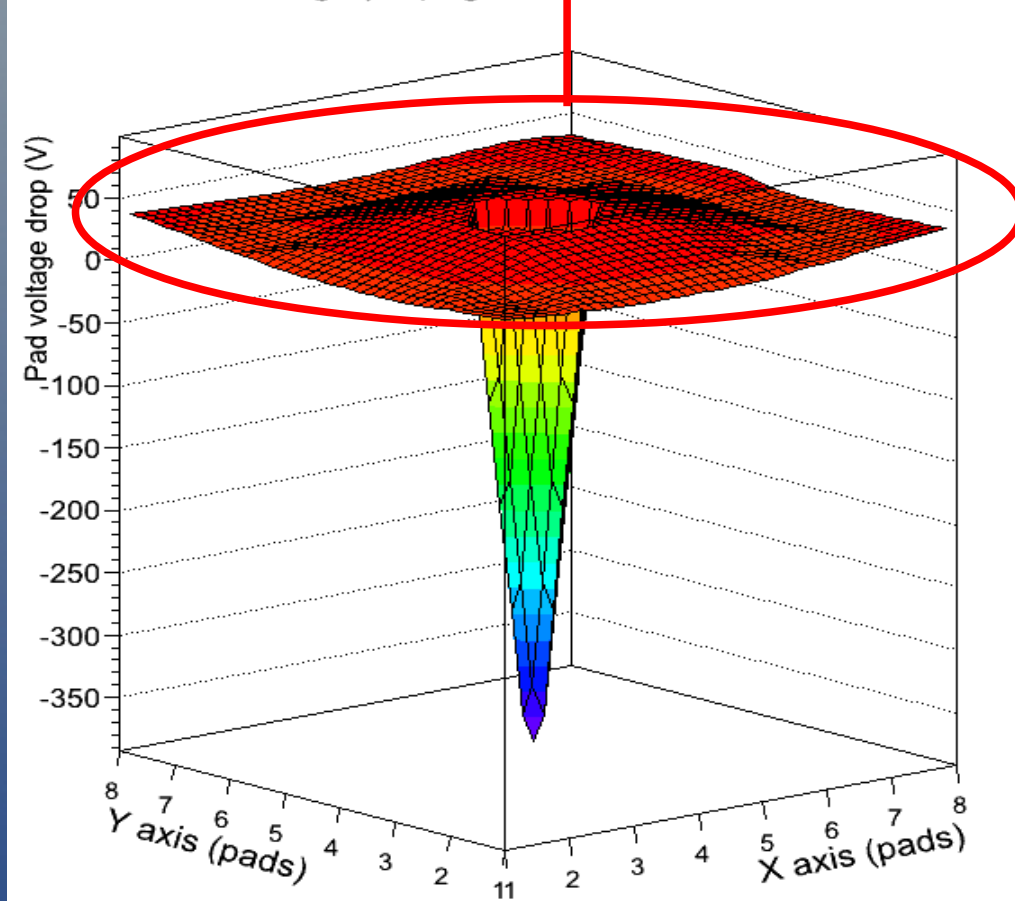
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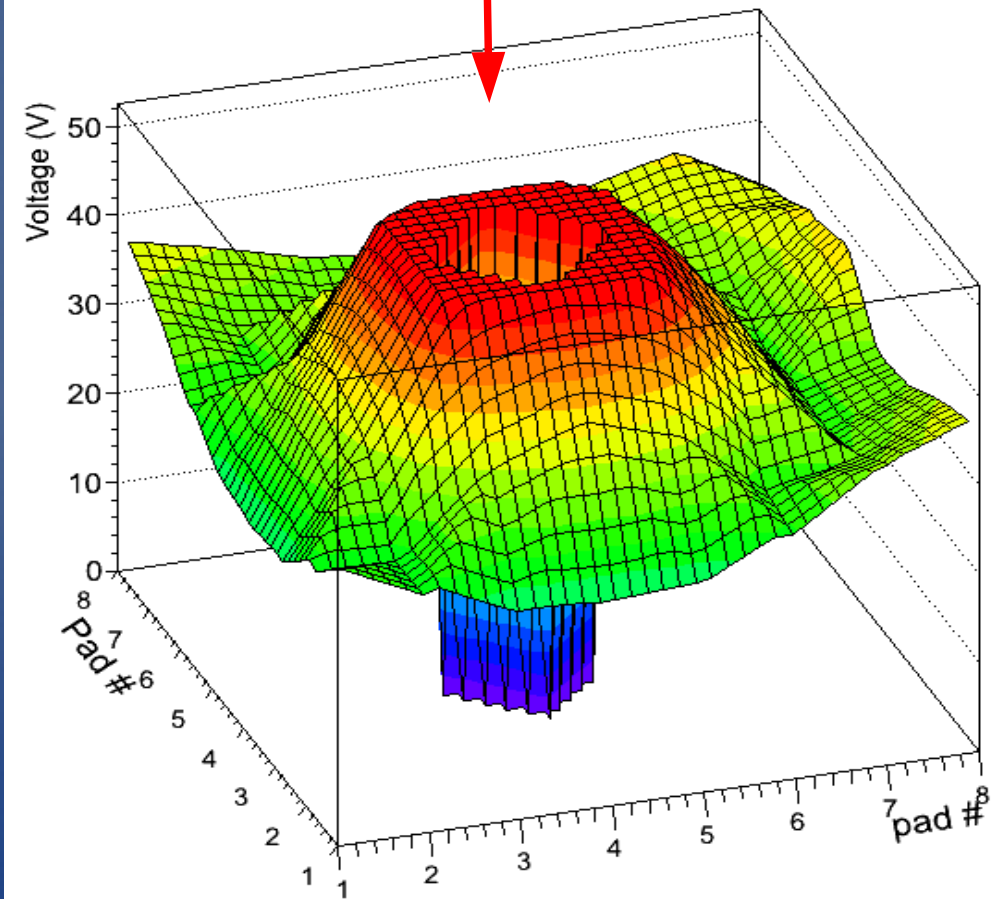
64 pads model
 $\Rightarrow$ extend the model
to $N \times N$ pads

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Discharge propagation over a 8×8 cell



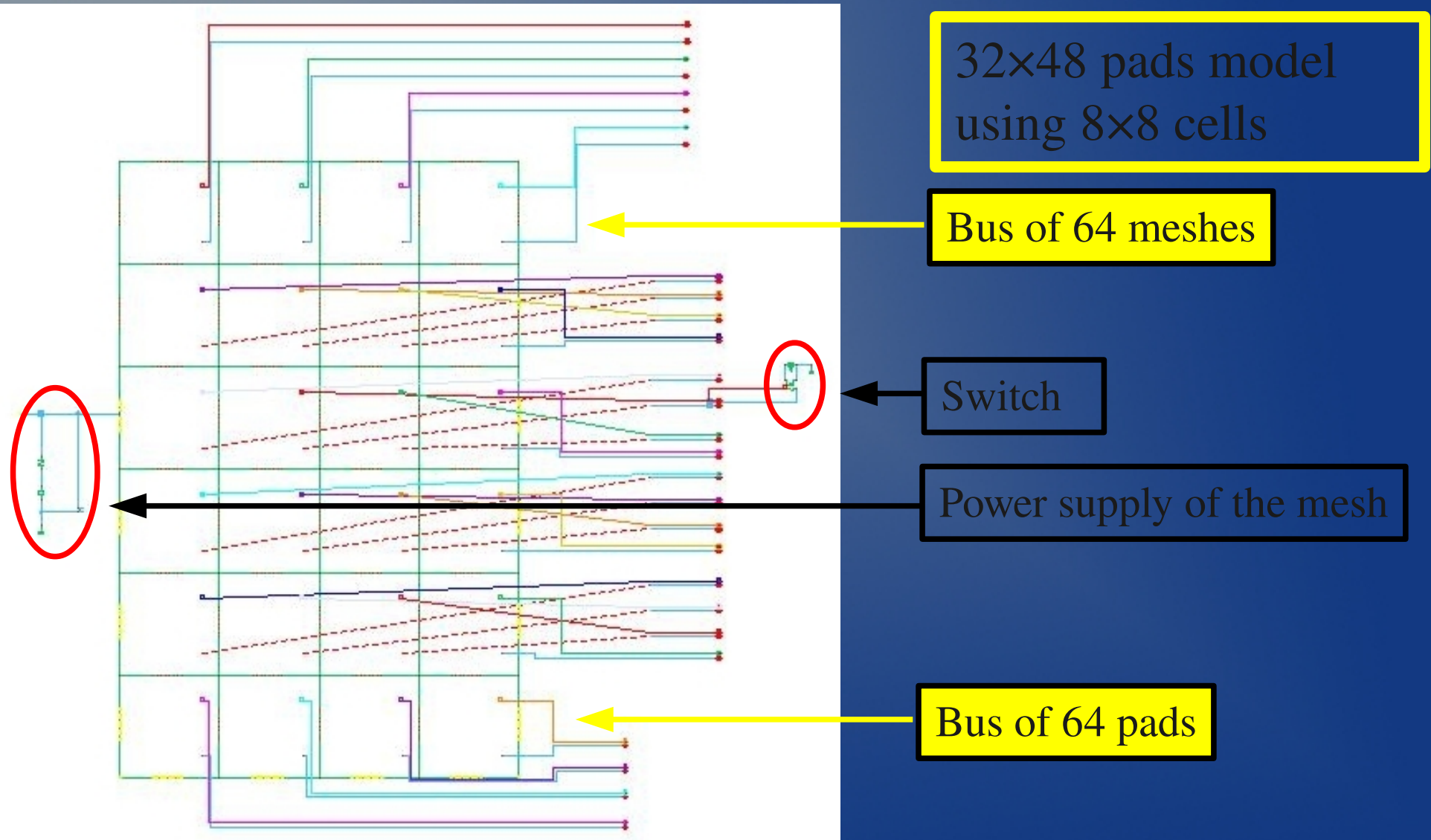
Discharge propagation over an ASU (zoom for positive values)



Discharge pad voltage $\rightarrow$ mesh voltage (-400V)

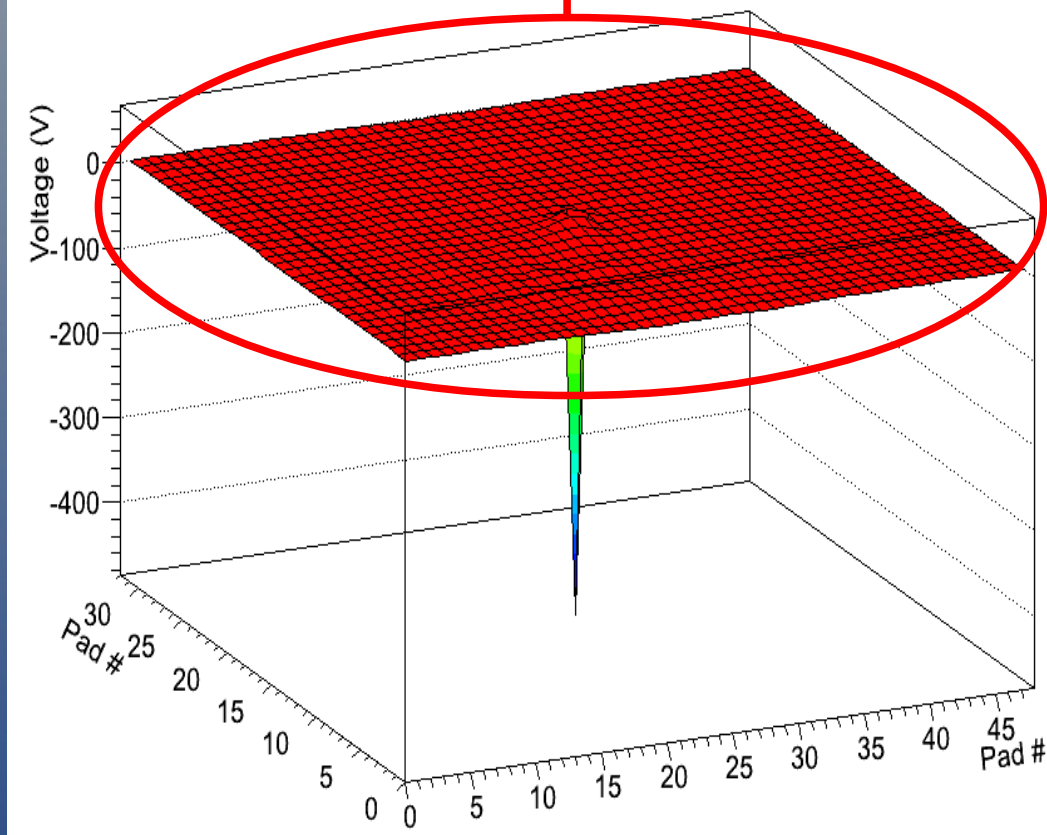
Neighbors pads compensate with positive voltage

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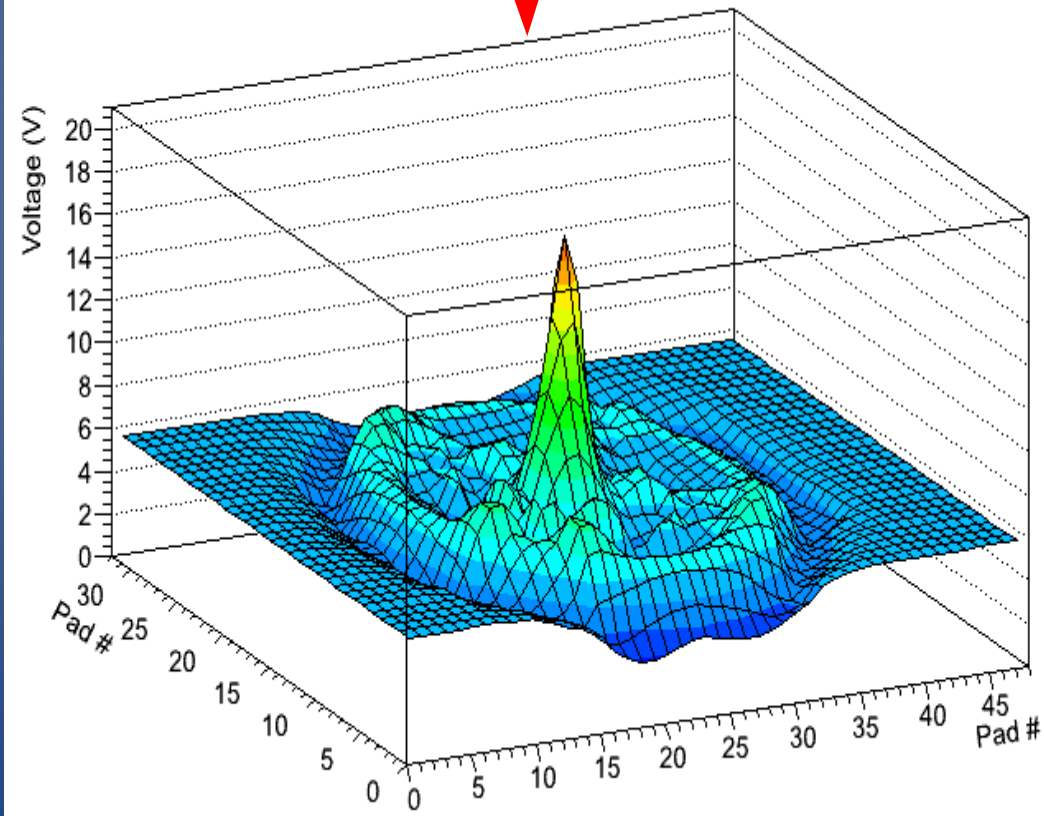


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Discharge profile over an ASU (pad behaviour)



Discharge profile over an ASU



Same behavior as with 64 pads but lower voltage drop due to greater # of pads

Summary and future work

1. Implement resistive material in the simulations and observe the effect
2. Perform measurements with a dedicated electronic pcb and compare results with simulations
3. Improve the model → more accurate simulations to determine the optimum value for the resistive layer