

Status Report: Multi-Channel TCT

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1. Introduction

Aim:

- Determination of pulse shape of individual pixels with XFEL type irradiation.
- Experimental reference data for simulations (Weierstraß Institute Berlin + MPI Munich)

Specifications XFEL-applications:

Photon fluxes: $10^0 - 10^4$ γ /pixel/pulse (12 keV)

Properties of the charge cloud are not well understood for more deposited energy than mips.

Possible effects include:

- Plasma effects:** Distortion of pulses.
- Charge Cloud expansion:** Charge sharing in neighboring pixels due to diffusion and electrostatic repulsion.
- Recombination losses:** At very high charge carrier densities signal is lost due to electron-hole recombination.

A Multi-Channel TCT setup allows to record pulse shapes and therefore study these effects in a structured device (strip or pixel detector)

2. Set-up and measurement techniques

TCT (Transient Current Technique) records the time-resolved current of the device under test.

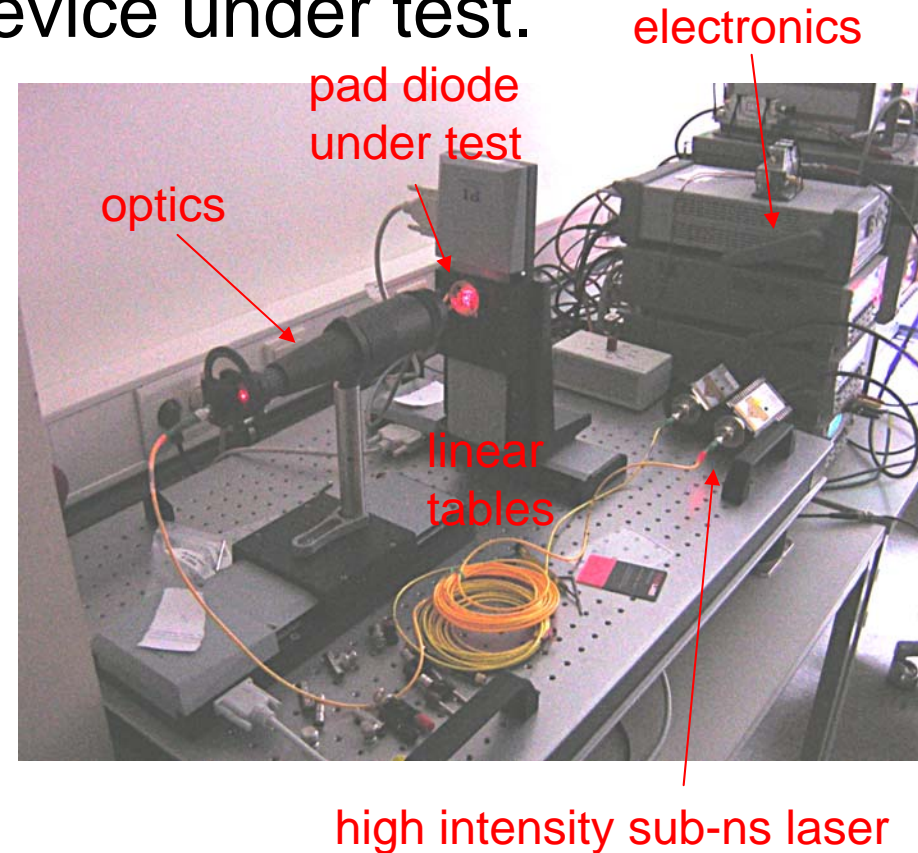
⇒ **Pulse shape**

measured from:

- Distortion of pulse shape
- Charge sharing of pixels (pulse on adjacent pixels)
- Pulse height or integrated charge

property :

- Plasma effect
- Charge cloud expansion
- Recombination losses



Key features of our M-TCT setup

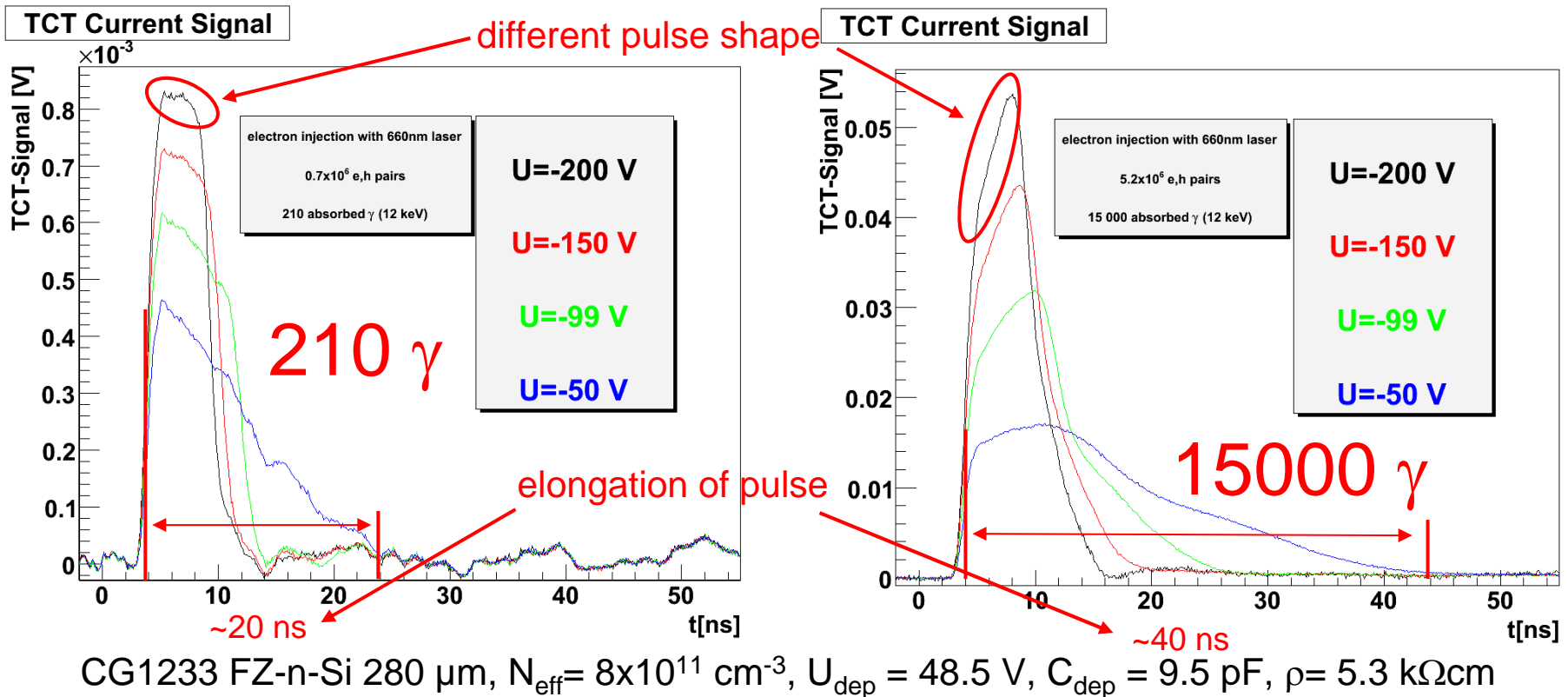
- Red and IR lasers with short pulses (~ 100 ps)*
- high dynamic range of injection $\hat{=} 10^0 - 10^4 \gamma(12\text{keV})$ and electronics (8 orders of magnitude due to use of attenuators and amplifiers)
- small spotsize of $\sim 17\mu\text{m}$ (FWHM)
- position steps of $0.1 \mu\text{m}$
- so far 4 readout channels (expandable)
- temperature control (20°C to -10°C)
- space for device of $13 \times 26 \text{ mm}^2$

* Red laser $\lambda=660\text{nm}$ $\Rightarrow 3\mu\text{m}$ absorption length

IR laser $\lambda=1052\text{nm}$ $\Rightarrow 900\mu\text{m}$ absorption length

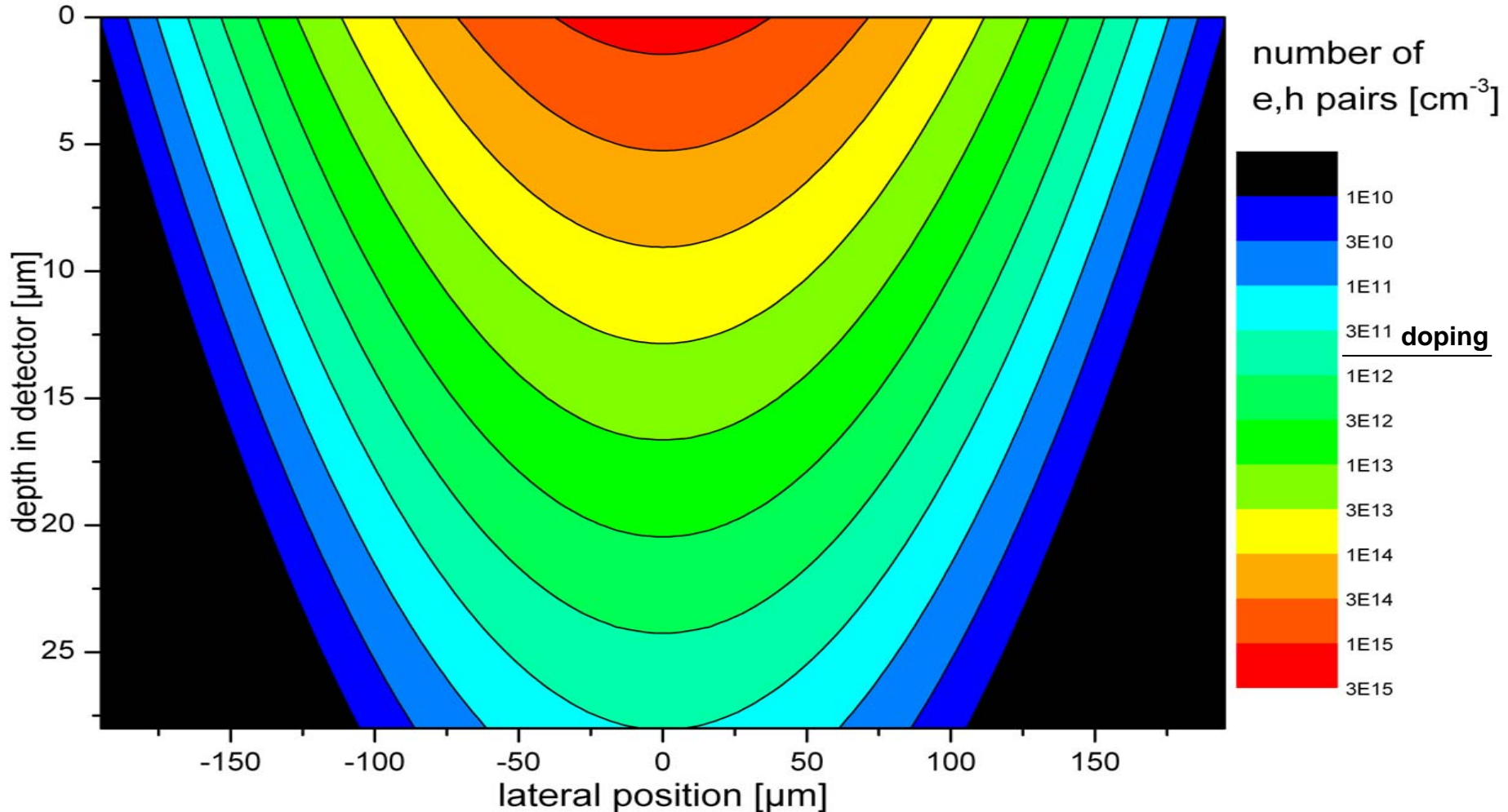
3. First results from single-channel measurements

- Low (210 absorbed $12\text{ keV } \gamma$) and high (1.5×10^4 absorbed $12\text{ keV } \gamma$) electron injection with 660 nm laser
- Pulse distortion clearly visible



Injection profile for FWHM 100 μm

Charge carrier density after injection with 660nm laser



4. Data from neon ion beam at GSI

Goal: Experimental verification of charge collection in silicon at large charge carrier densities: Can use heavy ions instead of high intensity γ 's: Large dE/dx due to Z^2 -dependence in Bethe-Bloch Formula.

Ongoing analysis of data from test beam at GSI by UHH students.

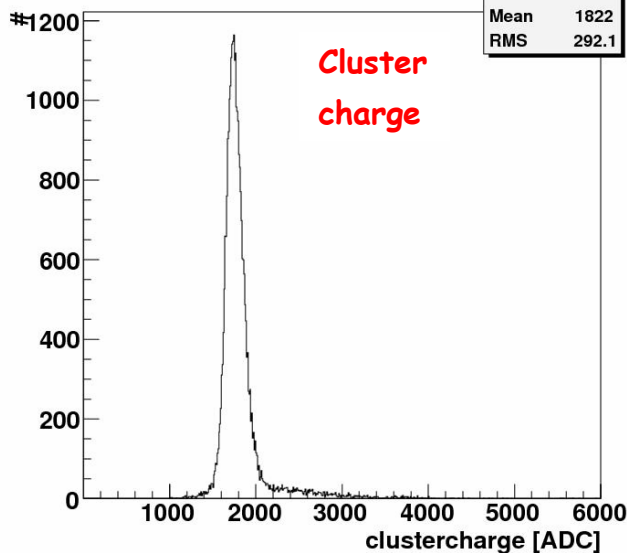
Some preliminary results (for **Neon: $Z=10$**):

S-side:

r/o pitch $110 \mu\text{m}$

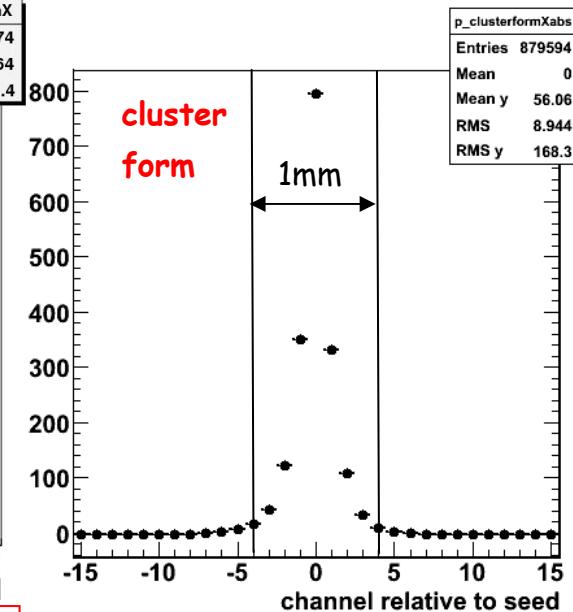
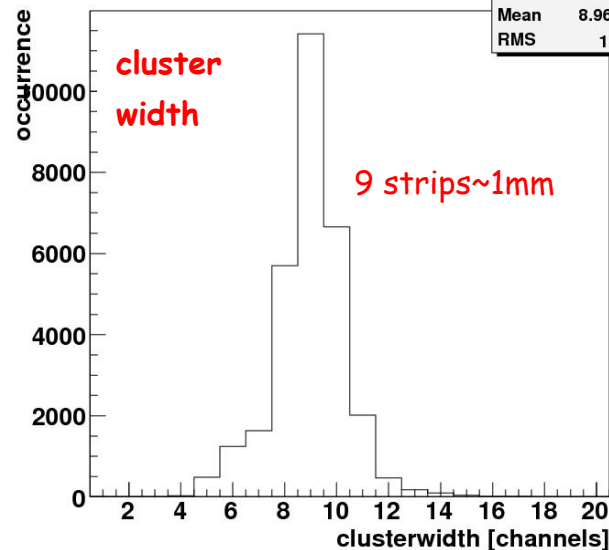
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Entries	29974
Mean	1822
RMS	292.1



distribution of clusterwidths (S-side)

h_clusterwidthX	
Entries	29974
Mean	8.964
RMS	1.4



Next steps:

- Understand proton-signal (also present).
- Analysis of data taken with other ions to investigate Z -dependence: B ($Z=5$), C ($Z=6$), Mg ($Z=12$), P ($Z=15$) and Ar ($Z=18$).

5. Conclusion and next steps

- single channel TCT setup running
- pulse distortion clearly visible for high energy injection -> plasma effects present
- so far no evidence for recombination losses (sensitivity of setup ???)
- ion data (p,Ne,...) under analysis
- multi-TCT under preparation
-> aim for autumn
- study of test devices (strip and pixel)
- comparison to simulations