

3-dimension integrated digital Silicon Photo- multiplier (3DdSiPM)

For astro-particle physics and beyond

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Outline

- Motivations
 - Dark Matter search with DarkSide-20k
 - Neutrinoless double beta decay with nEXO
 - Quick review of other experiments
- Digital SiPMs the final stage of evolution for single photon detectors
- 3DdSiPM development in Canada
- Future prospect

The dark matter paradigm

- Matter that is invisible
 - For electromagnetic and strong interactions at least
 - Could be one or more particle types
- And is massive enough to explain
 - Clumpiness of the universe as seen by CMB and baryonic matter distribution
 - Rotation velocity of stars within galaxies, dwarf galaxies around galaxies and galaxy clusters
 - Diffuse
 - And possibly bullet cluster

Searching for Dark Matter with liquid Argon

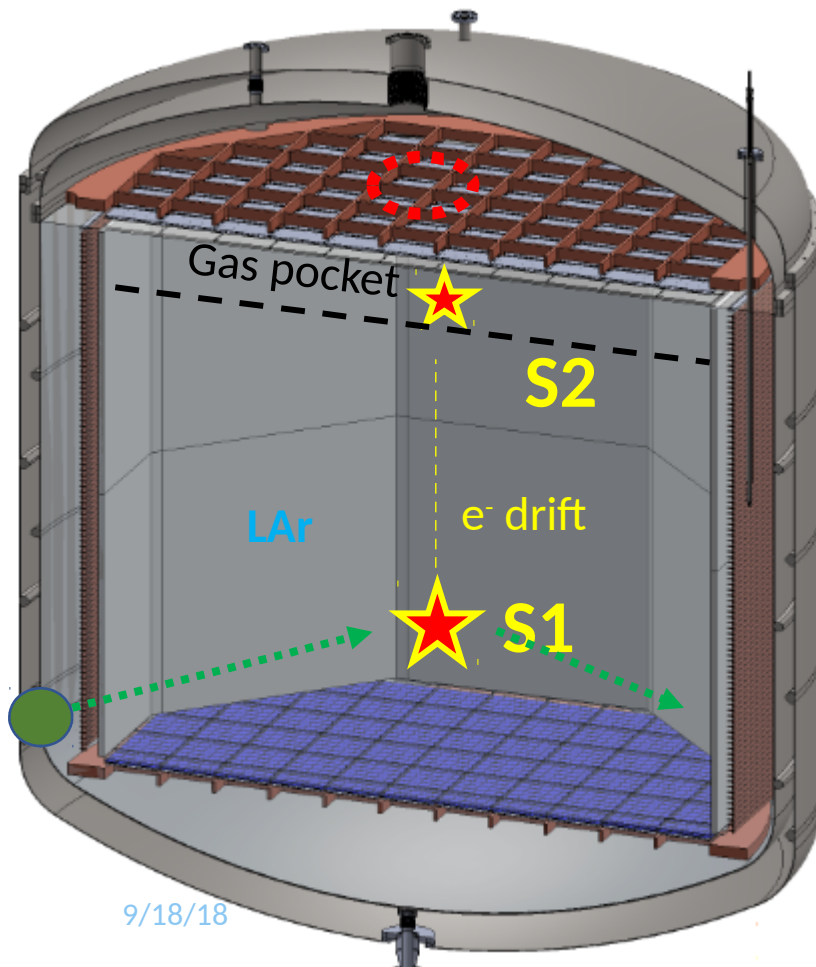
• Pros

- Excellent “electron recoil” rejection
 - WIMP yield nuclear recoil
- “cheap”
- Ultra-low radioactivity with underground argon and distillation

• Cons

- Not that dense. Need about 3 times more mass than Xenon for same sensitivity
- Scintillate at $\sim 128\text{nm}$
 - Requires wavelength shifting
 - Or new development
- Large natural radioactivity: ^{39}Ar beta decay

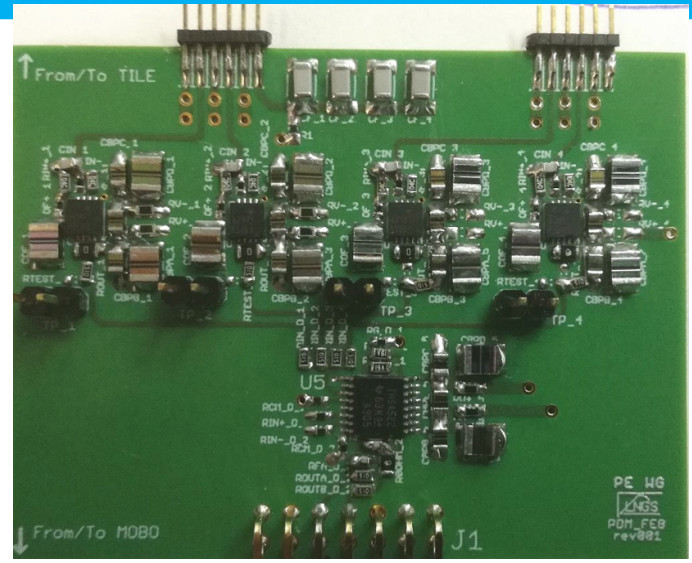
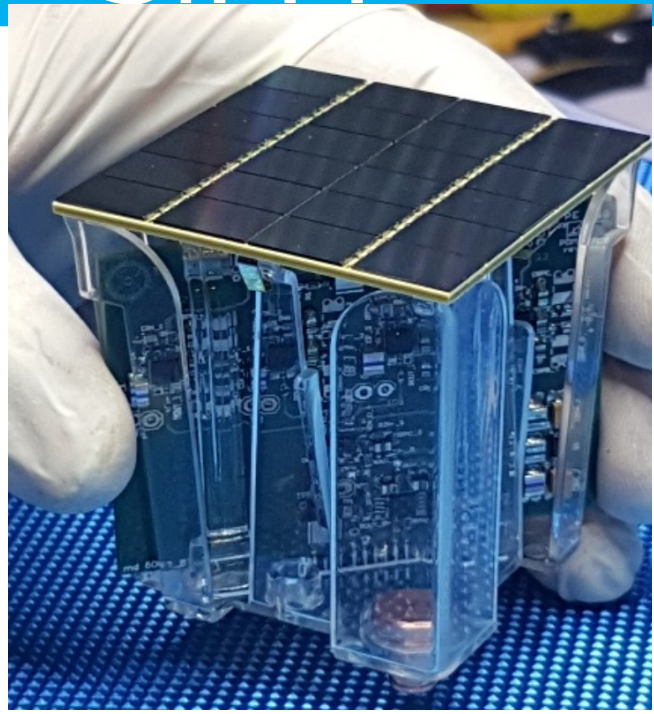
Dark Matter – DarkSide-20k



- Dark matter search experiment with 20t of LAr depleted in LAr
- 15 m² of SiPM in TPC
 - + xxx m² of SiPM in veto
- Blue light detection with WLS (TPB)
- Granularity not needed
- Small after-pulsing needed

DarkMatter – DarkSide-20k SiPM

SiPM tile connectors



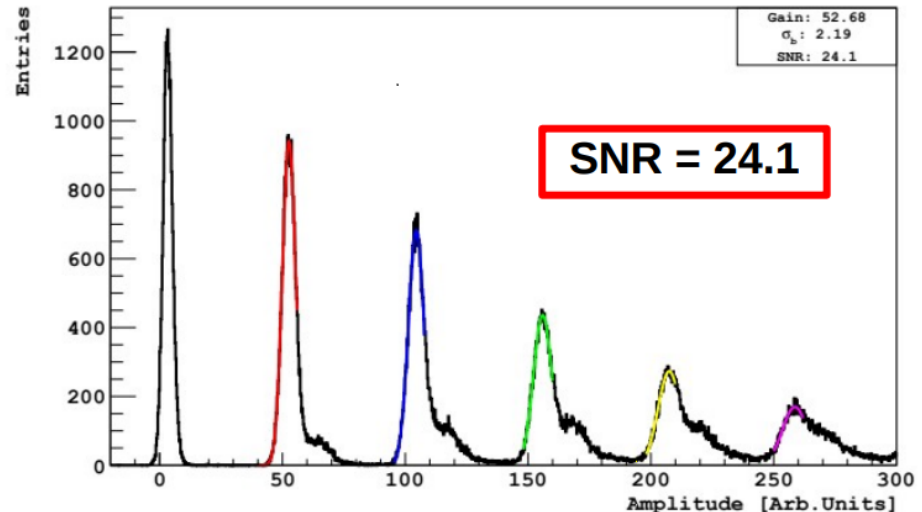
4 TIAs (6 SiPMs each)

Summing stage

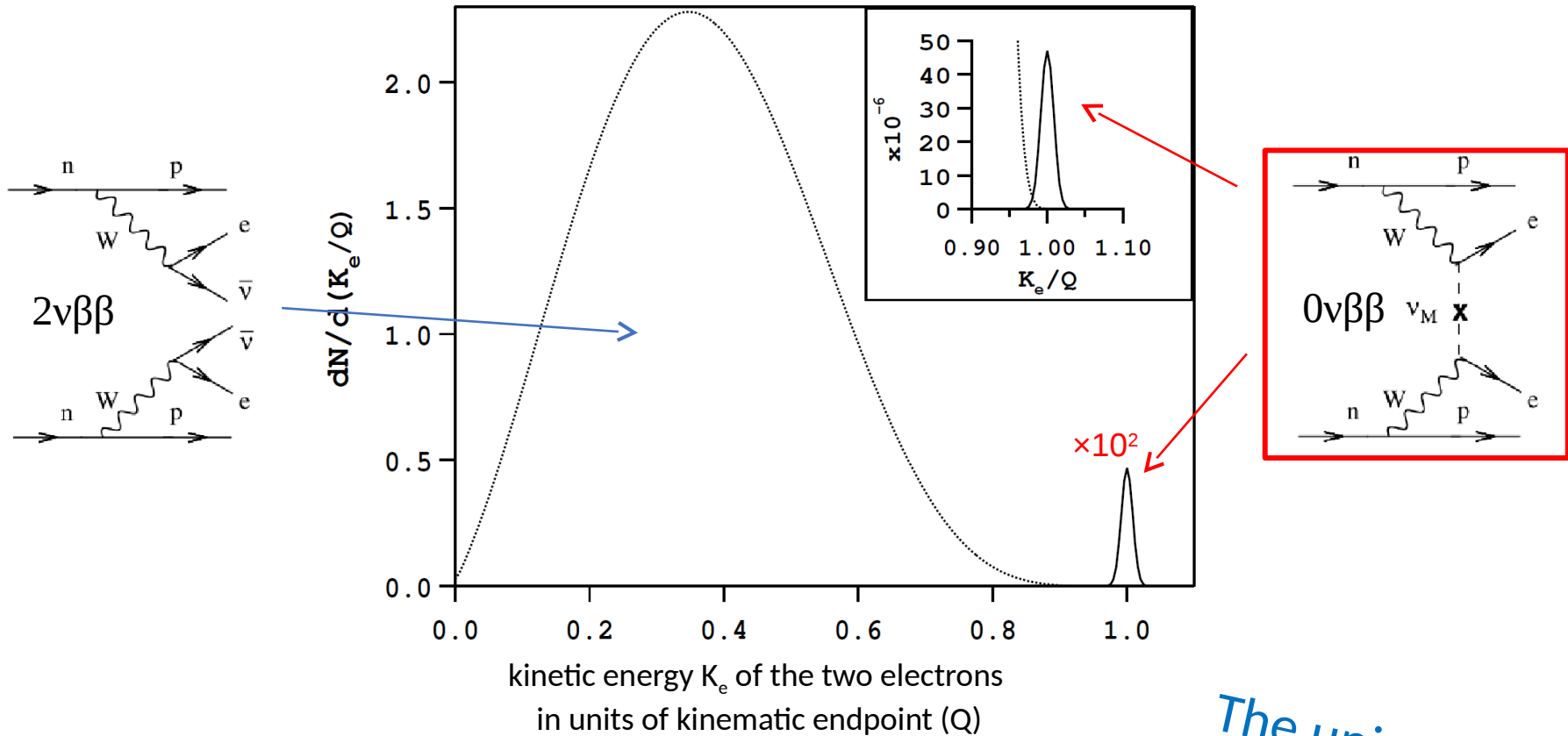
FBK NUV-HD triple dose

Single PE sensitivity for 25cm² channel enabled by operation at DV~7V

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Neutrinoless double beta decay



The problem:

- ^{136}Xe $2\nu\beta\beta$ lifetime $2.165 \times 10^{21} \text{ y}$
- ^{136}Xe $0\nu\beta\beta$ lifetime $> 3.7 \times 10^{25} \text{ y}$

The universe is
 $14 \times 10^9 \text{ y}$
[\[arXiv:hep-ph/0611243\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0611243)

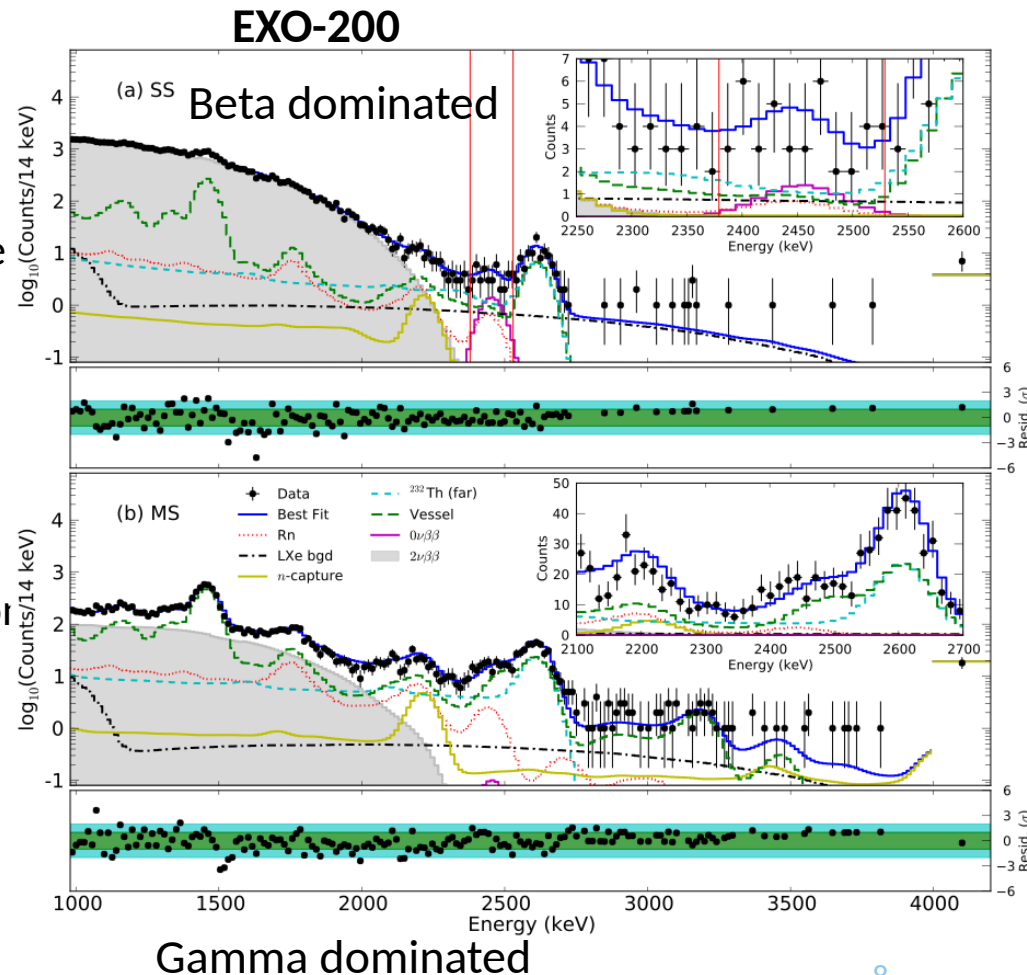
Neutrinoless double beta decay with liquid Xenon

- Pros

- High-Z + monolithic + fine granularity
 - Gamma ray cannot penetrate without detection
- Can be re-purified

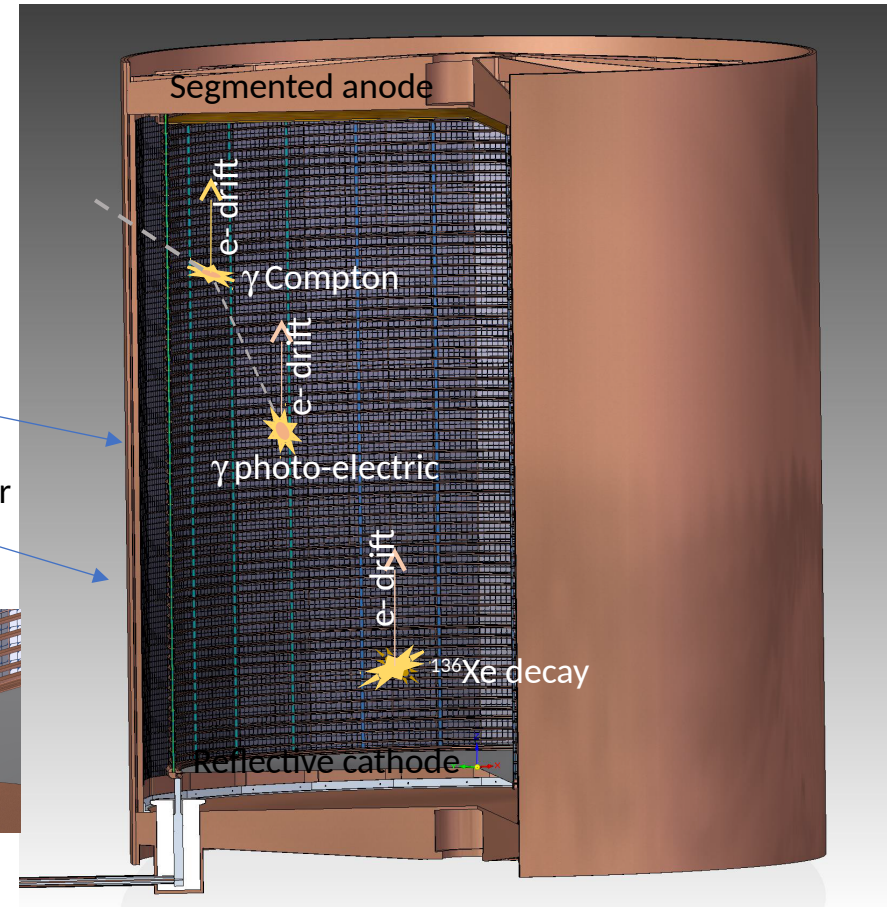
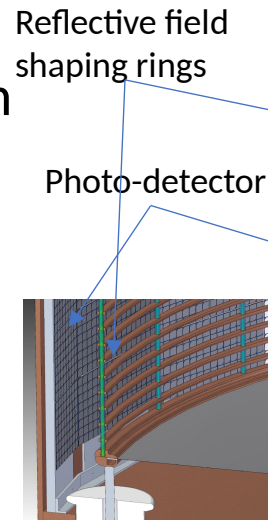
- Cons

- Fair energy resolution
 - Requiring combined ionization and scintillation detection
 - Requiring excellent light detection efficiency
- Expensive



nEXO - $0\nu\beta\beta$ with LXe

- 4-5 m² SiPM
 - Single VUV photon sensitive
 - >15% efficiency
 - Very low radioactivity
 - Silicon is generally very radiopure
- SiPM electronics in liquid Xenon
 - Power dissipation < 100W
 - Challenging to achieving noise < 0.1PE per channel of 1-10cm² because of large capacitance
 - With analog electronics need to limit bandwidth
 - **Digital SiPM promise better performance and lower power**



Present and future liquid Xenon detector

Experiment	Application	Status	Mass	Signal type	PD type
XMASS	DM	Operation	832kg	Scint.	PMT
XENON-1T	DM	Operation	1,042kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	PMT
LUX	DM	Operation	370kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	PMT
PANDAX-II	DM	Operation	580kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	PMT
XENON-nT	DM	Construction	6,000kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	PMT
LZ	DM	Construction	7,000kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	PMT
DARWIN	DM++	Design	50,000kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	R&D
EXO-200	$0\nu\beta\beta$	Operation	250kg	Scint.+charge	APD
nEXO	$0\nu\beta\beta$	Design	5,000kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	SiPM
RED-100	Coherent ν	Limbo?	200kg	Scint.+charge→elum.	SiPM
MEG-2	$\mu\rightarrow e\gamma$	Construction		Scint.	SiPM
XEMIS2	PET	Construction	200kg	Scint.+charge	PMT
PETALOC	PET (TOF)	Concept	200kg	Scint.	SiPM

Present and future liquid Argon detector

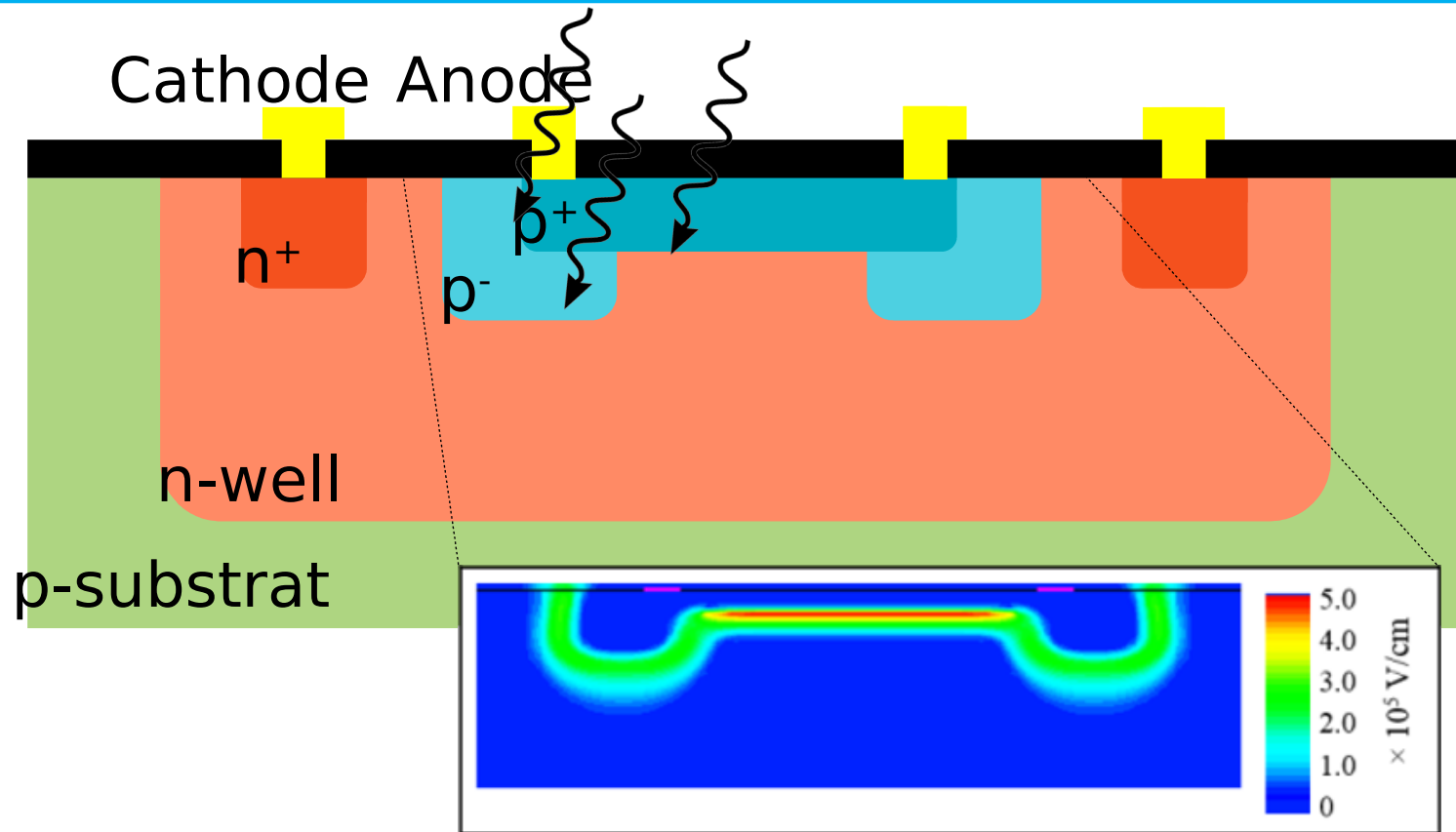
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DarkSide-50	DM	Operation	50kg	Scint+charge→elum	PMT
DEAP-3600	DM	Operation	3,300kg	Scint	PMT
DarkSide-20k	DM	Design	20,000kg	Scint.+charge→elum	SiPM
DEAP-300t	DM	Concept	300,000kg	R&D	R&D
ANKOK	DM	Design	?	?	SiPM
GERDA veto	$0\nu\beta\beta$	Operation		WLS fiber → SiPM	SiPM
CENNS-10	Coherent ν	Construction	10kg	Scint	PMT
SBND	ν oscillation	Design	112,000kg	Scint+charge	PMT
microBOONE	ν oscillation	Operation	80,000kg	Scint+charge	PMT
ICARUS	ν oscillation	Construction	760,000kg	Scint+charge	PMT
ProtoDUNE-SP	ν oscillation	Operation	77,000kg	Scint+charge	LG+SiPM
ProtoDUNE-DP	ν oscillation		10,000kg	Scint+charge→elum	PMT
DUNE module	ν osc. +	Concept	17,000t	Scint+charge	SiPM

SiPM in LXe and LAr, sorted by photo-detection area

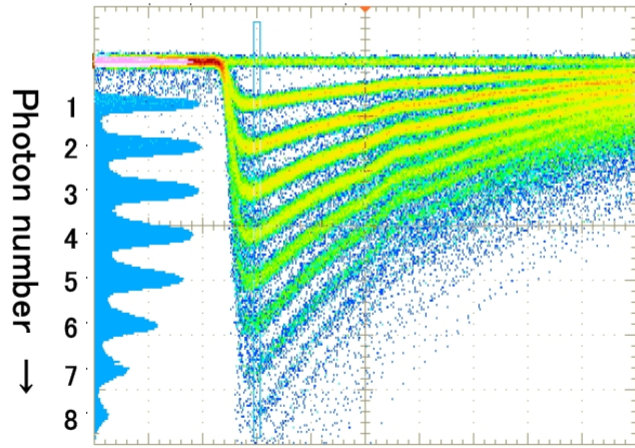
Experiment	Type	Photo-detector solution	Area
MEG-II	LXe	Hamamatsu VUV2	0.6 m ²
GERDA - veto	LAr		
nEXO	LXe	FBK, Hamamatsu, 3DdSiPM	~5 m ²
DARWIN	LXe	SiPM is one option	~8 m ²
DarkSide-20k	LAr	FBK NUV-HD triple dopant	15 m ²
DEAP-300t	LAr	SiPM is baseline option	~200 m ²
Proto-DUNE-SP	LAr	Light guide or trap + SiPM	
DUNE	LAr	Light guide or trap + SiPM	

Switching to SiPMs because of lower radioactivity (nEXO, GERDA) or due to difficulty to operated PMTs in LAr (DarkSide-20k)

Single Photon Avalanche Photo-Diode (SPAD)

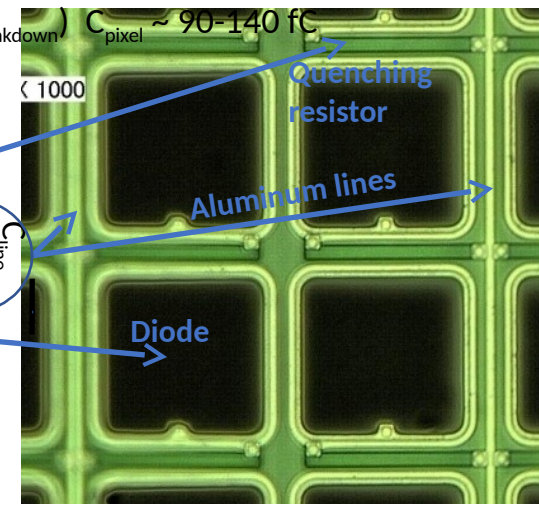
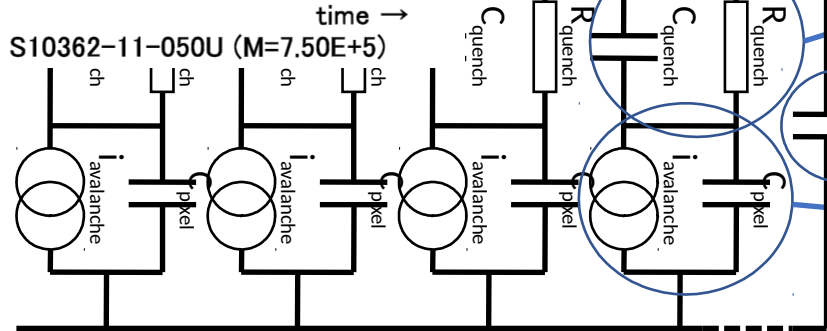
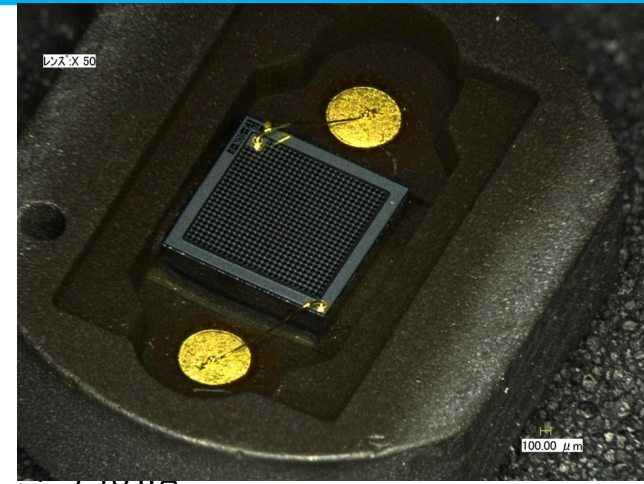


SPAD array = Silicon Photo-multipliers



Parameters for T2K MPPC

- $C_{\text{pixel}} = 90 \text{ fF}$
- $R_{\text{quench}} = 150 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $C_{\text{quench}} \sim 4 \text{ fF (parasitic)}$
- $C_{\text{line}} \sim 10 \text{ pF (parasitic)}$
- $I_{\text{avalanche}} = (V_{\text{operation}} - V_{\text{breakdown}}) / R_{\text{quench}} \sim 10 \mu\text{A}$
- $Q_{\text{avalanche}} = (V_{\text{operation}} - V_{\text{breakdown}}) C_{\text{pixel}} \sim 90-140 \text{ fC}$



SiPM vs PMT. Radioactivity

Newer ICPMS measurements pending

	^{238}U	^{232}Th	^{40}K
Prelim. nEXO requirements for 4m^2	$< 0.1 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$	$< 1 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$	$< 10 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$
FBK SiPM (bare wafers) ^A	$< 0.4 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$	$\sim 0.6 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$	$\sim 3 \text{ nBq/cm}^2$
Hamamatsu MPPC (packaged) ^B	$< 7 \mu\text{Bq/cm}^2$	$< 3 \mu\text{Bq/cm}^2$	$< 3 \mu\text{Bq/cm}^2$
SensL SiPM (packaged) ^C	$< 1.1 \text{ mBq/cm}^2$	$< 33 \mu\text{Bq/cm}^2$	$< 69 \mu\text{Bq/cm}^2$

^A Counting at U.Alabama after nuclear activation at MIT shown at this meeting

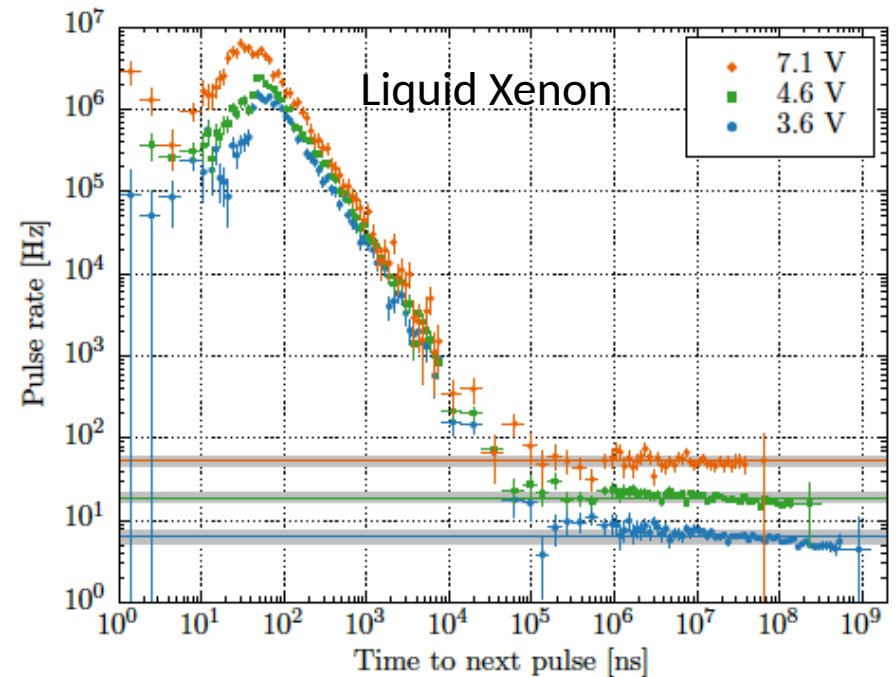
^B Hamamatsu Ge counting in house. Assume $300\mu\text{m}$ SiPM thickness. Confidential

^C NEXT Ge counting. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1411.1433>

PMT type	Normalized activity [mBq/cm^2]						Ref.
	^{238}U	^{226}Ra	^{228}Th	^{235}U	^{40}K	^{60}Co	
R11410-21	< 0.4	0.016(3)	0.012(3)	0.011(3)	0.37(6)	0.023(3)	this work
R11410-20	< 0.56	< 0.03	0.028(6)	< 0.025	0.37(6)	0.040(6)	this work
R11410-10	< 3.0	< 0.075	< 0.08	< 0.13	0.4(1)	0.11(2)	[20]
R11410-10 (PandaX)	–	< 0.02	< 0.02	0.04(4)	0.5(3)	0.11(1)	[12]
R11410-10 (LUX)	< 0.19	< 0.013	< 0.009	–	< 0.26	0.063(6)	[21]
R11410	1.6(6)	0.19(2)	0.09(2)	0.10(2)	1.6(3)	0.26(2)	[20]
R8778 (LUX)	< 1.4	0.59(4)	0.17(2)	–	4.1(1)	0.160(6)	[21]
R8520	< 0.33	0.029(2)	0.026(2)	0.009(2)	1.8(2)	0.13(1)	[20]

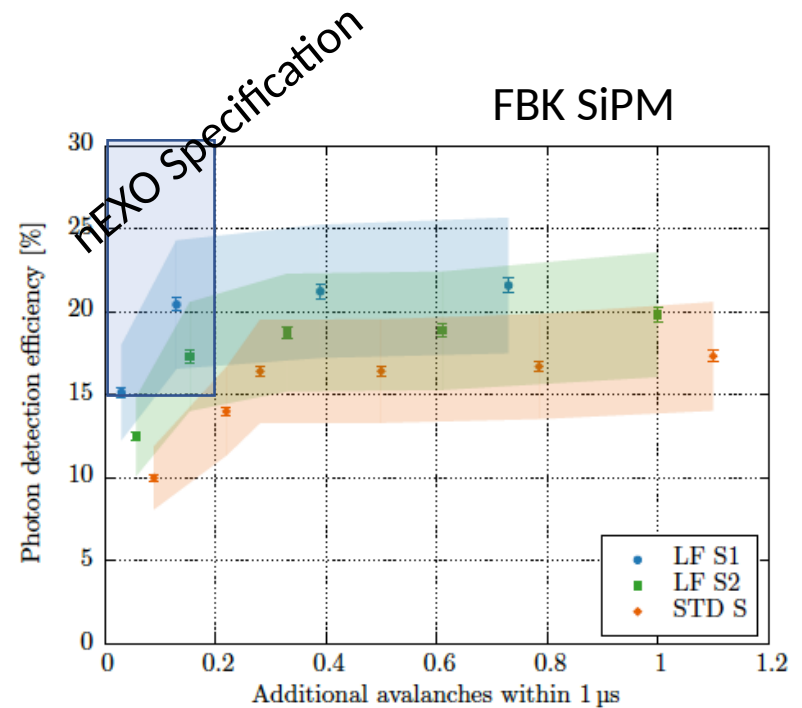
SiPM vs PMT. Nuisance

- Gain fluctuations much lower for SiPMs
- Dark noise
 - PMT $\sim 0.1\text{-}1\text{Hz}/\text{mm}^2$
 - Best SiPM
 - $50\text{kHz}/\text{mm}^2$ at 20C
 - $0.1\text{-}1\text{Hz}/\text{mm}^2$ at LXe temp.
 - $0.01\text{-}0.1\text{Hz}/\text{mm}^2$ at Lar temp.
- After-pulsing
 - Comparable $\sim 20\%$ at reasonable voltage
 - SiPM AP can be very slow when cold



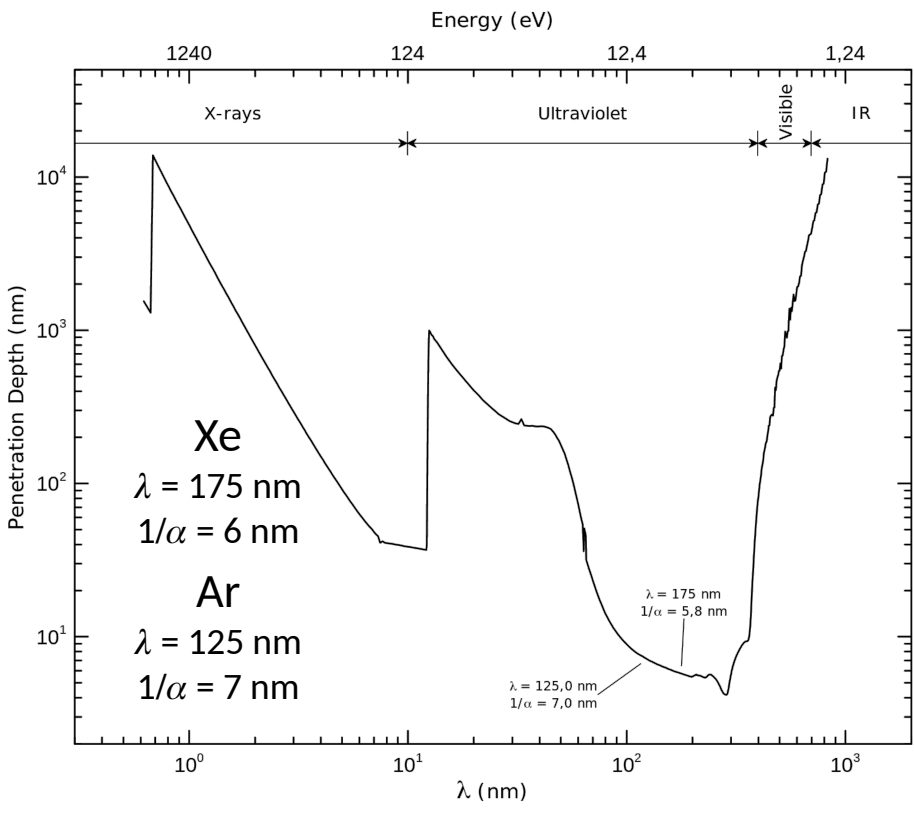
SiPM vs PMT. Efficiency

- At 175nm
 - Best PMT ~ 35%
 - Best SiPM ~ 20%
 - But working on it
- At 420nm (wavelength shifter)
 - Best PMT ~ 35%
 - Best SiPM ~ 60%

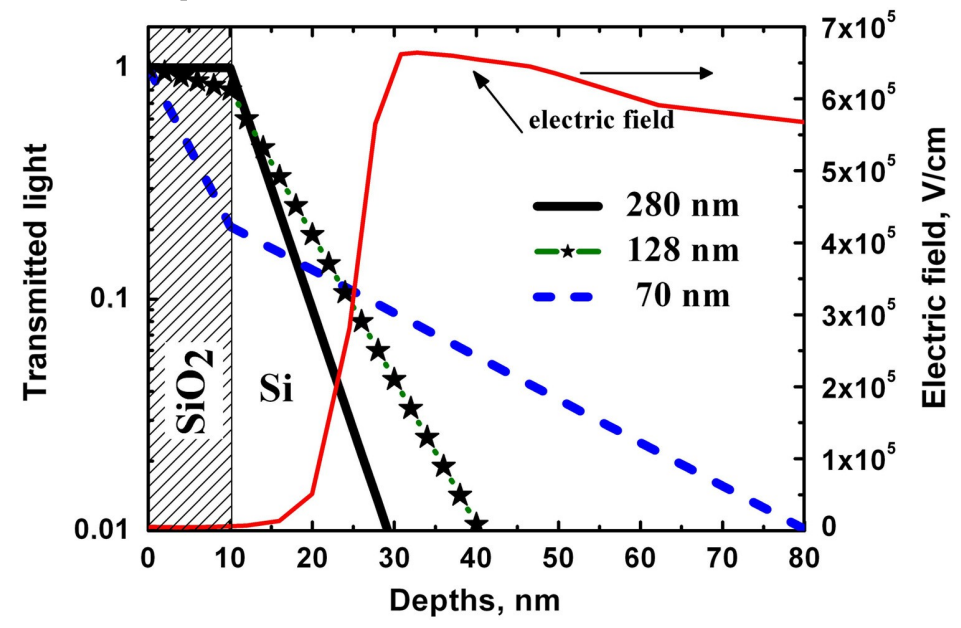


VUV light detection challenges

- Reflections



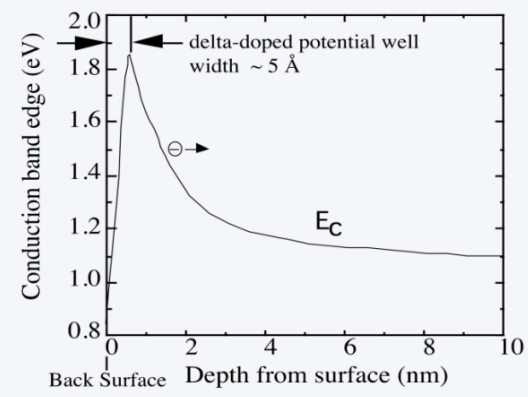
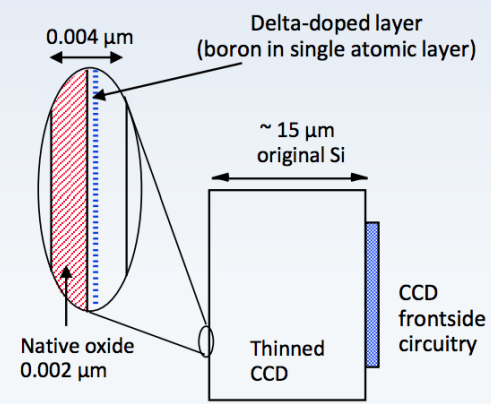
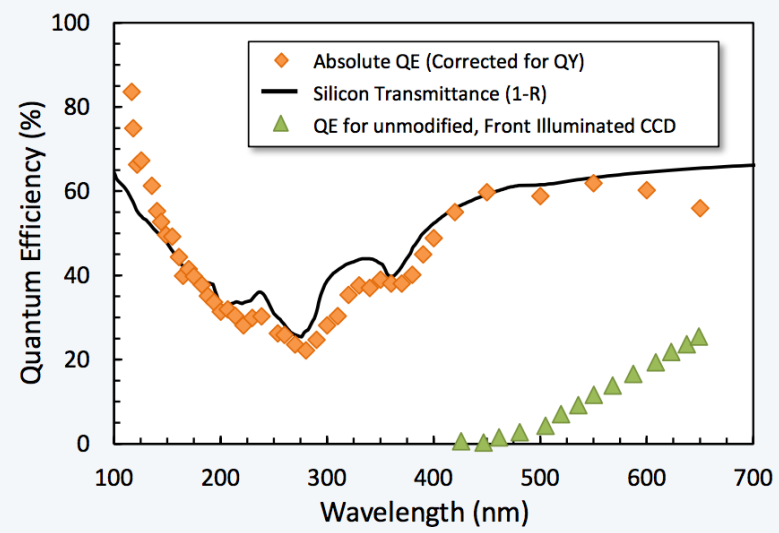
- Shallow absorption depth



Shallow junction for VUV CCD

Two-dimensional doping by MBE

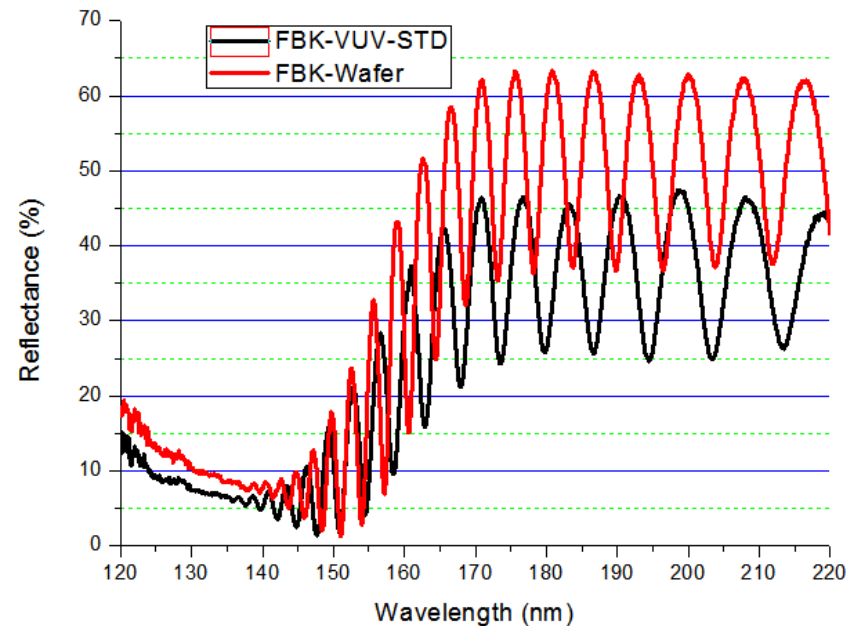
- Delta doping and superlattice doping optimizes surface band structure
- Stable, uniform back surface passivation
- 100% internal QE, 100% fill factor, low dark current
- Ultrathin back surface contact



SiPM reflectivity

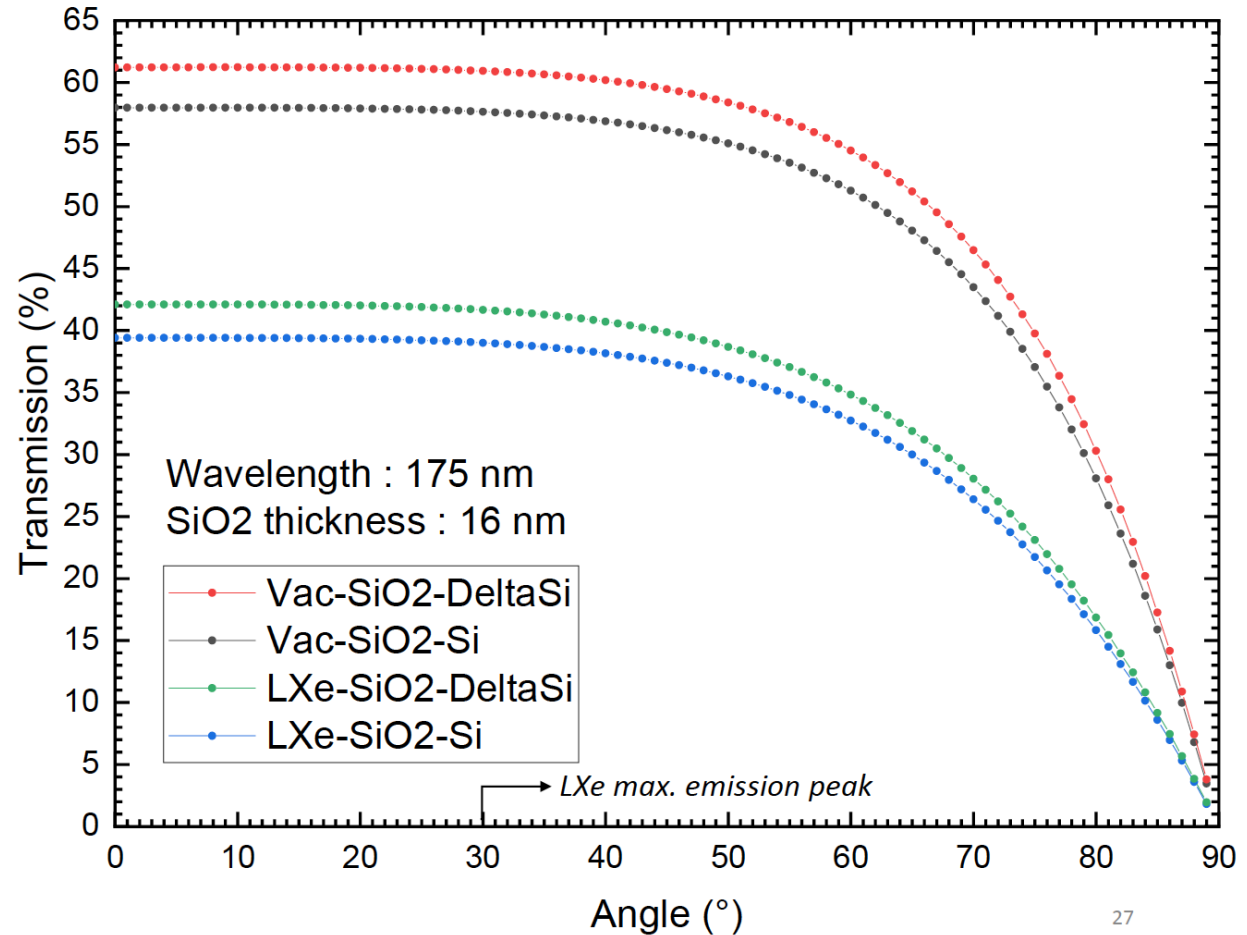
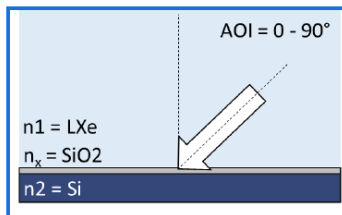
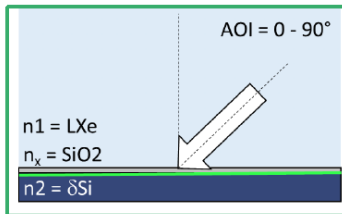
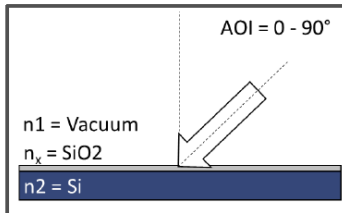
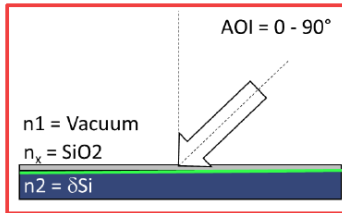
- VUV light can reflect on photo-detectors
- This is a serious issue for silicon based photo-detectors

10 degree specular reflectance
For FBK SiPM and bare wafer



Device	Specular (177nm, 10 degree)	Diffuse(193 nm)
FBK-VUV-STD	35%	11.5%
FBK-VUV-LF	40%	12.3%
FBK-RGB	38%	17%
FBK wafer*	50%	0.16%

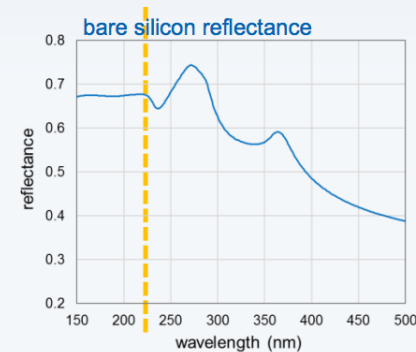
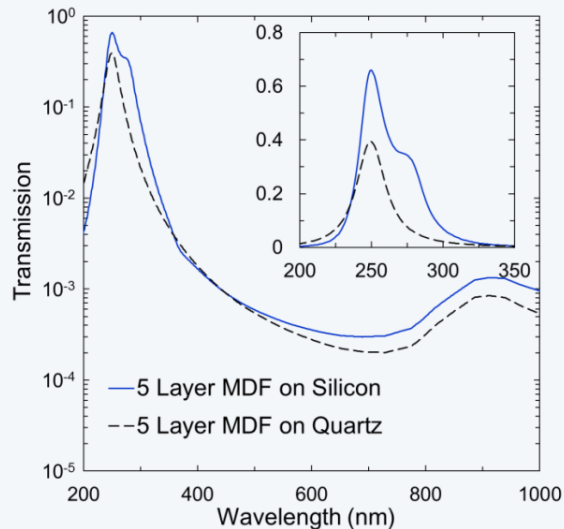
Si-SiO₂ stack does not work in LXe



Anti-reflective coating

Metal-dielectric UV bandpass filters

- Conventional low-loss dielectric filters are not available in this wavelength range
 - Lack of high refractive index transparent materials
- Bandpass filters in this range are metal dielectric (aluminum)
 - Commercial filters have peak transmission ~30-35%
- High Si UV reflectance now beneficial

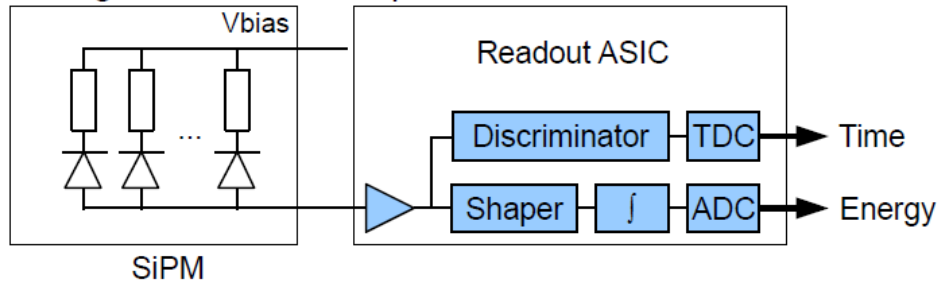


The digital SiPM concept

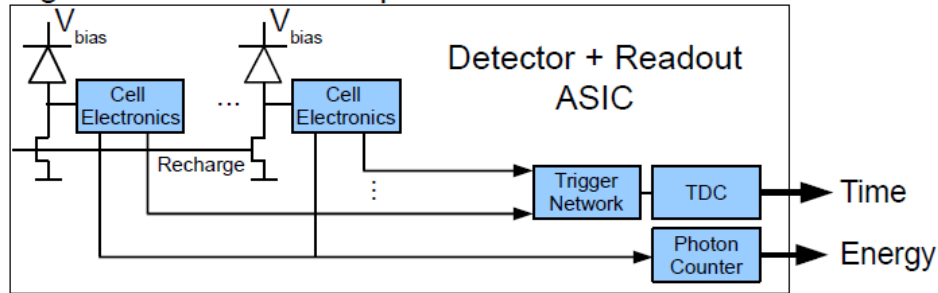
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Digital SiPM – The Concept

Analog Silicon Photomultiplier Detector



Digital Silicon Photomultiplier Detector



Photon to bit conversion

- As opposed to photon to analog to bit conversion

Quenching scheme

- Current sense per diode
- Quench upon discharge
 - Control quench time
- Time tag and count the avalanche

From monolithic digital SiPM to 3DdSiPM

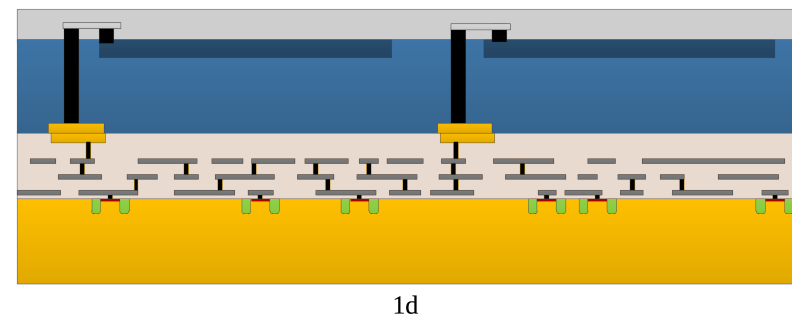
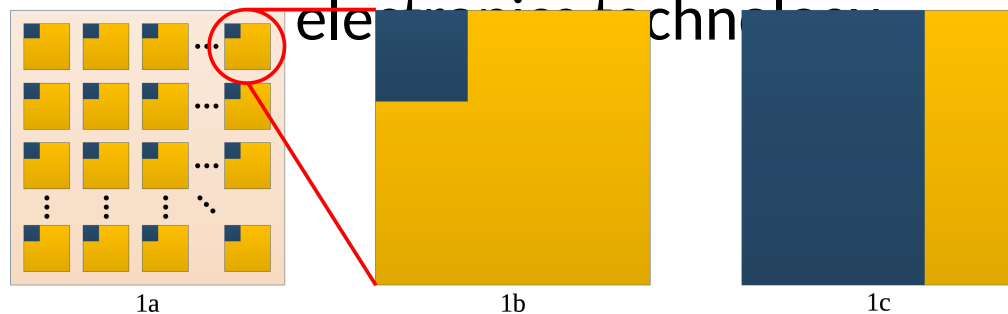
- Monolithic issues

- Electronics circuit limits the active area
 - Trade off between active area (1b) or performance (1c)
- Compromise between photo-detector and electronics technology

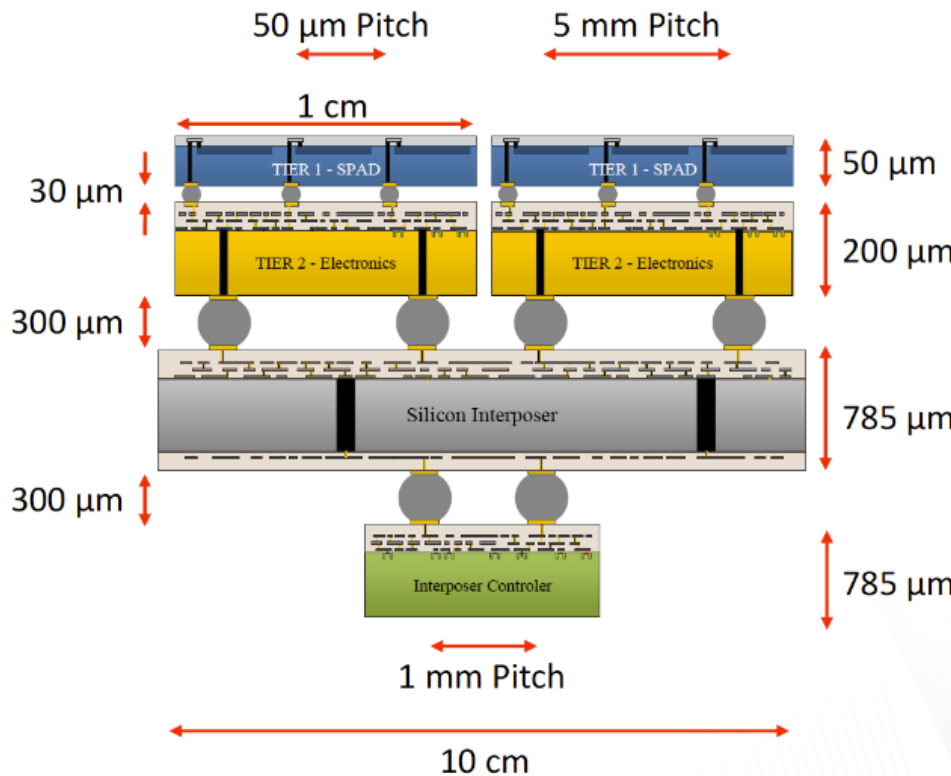
- 3D solves most issues

- Main challenge

- Connect each diode on photo-detector chip to quenching electronics chip



The dream 3DdSiPM for nEXO

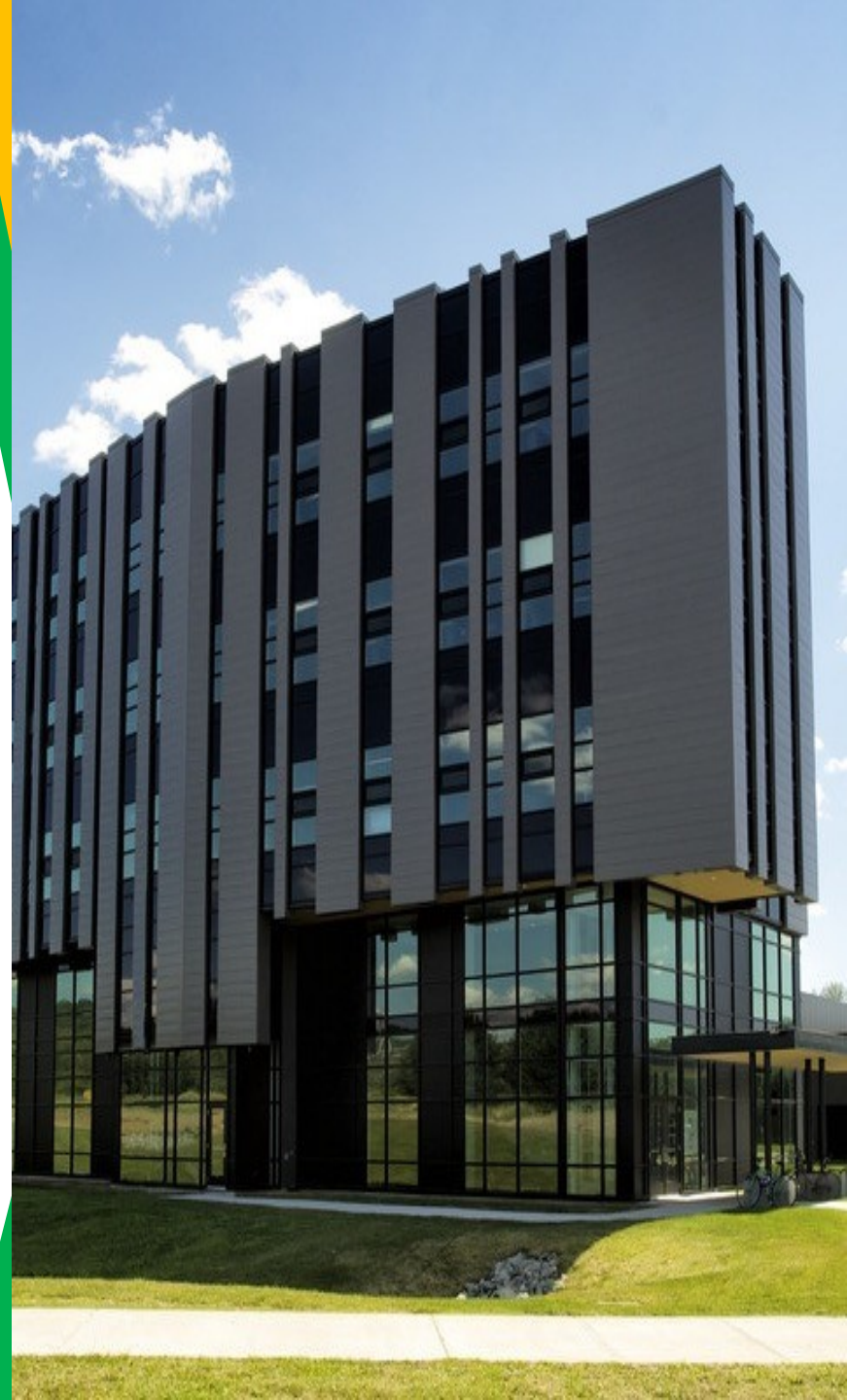


- In nEXO 100ns sampling rate is sufficient
- Main motivation
 - Lowest power dissipation
 - Ease of integration
 - No after-pulsing
- Main challenge
 - Achieving >15% PDE at 175nm (the reason why we are here!)

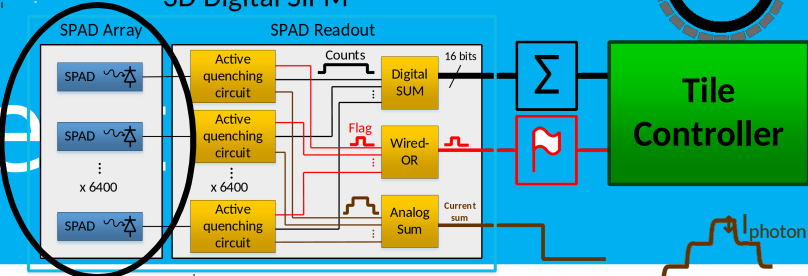
Update on 3DdSiPM readout ASIC and cryogenic CMOS modeling

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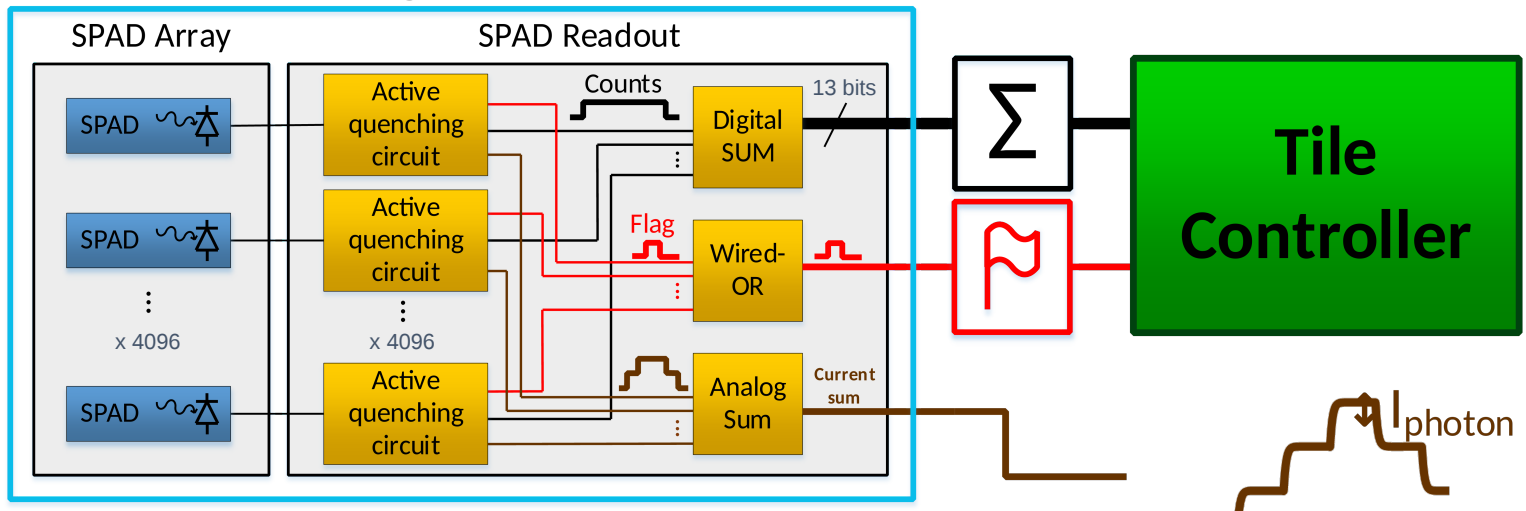
SPAD developme



- Generation 1. Die level bonding
 - Functional SPAD
 - Fairly high dark noise and some flashing SPADs
- Generation 2. Currently funded
 - Testing with 2D single SPAD
 - 3D SPAD array in 2019
- Generation 3.
 - Still more or less a dream

CMOS Readout for 3DdSiPM - Architecture

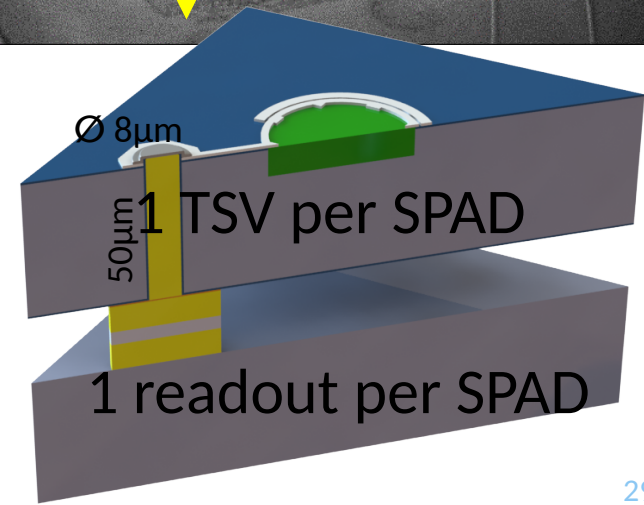
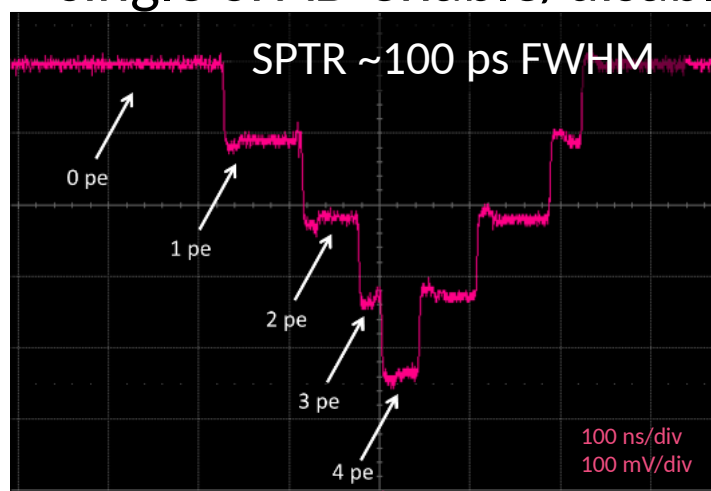
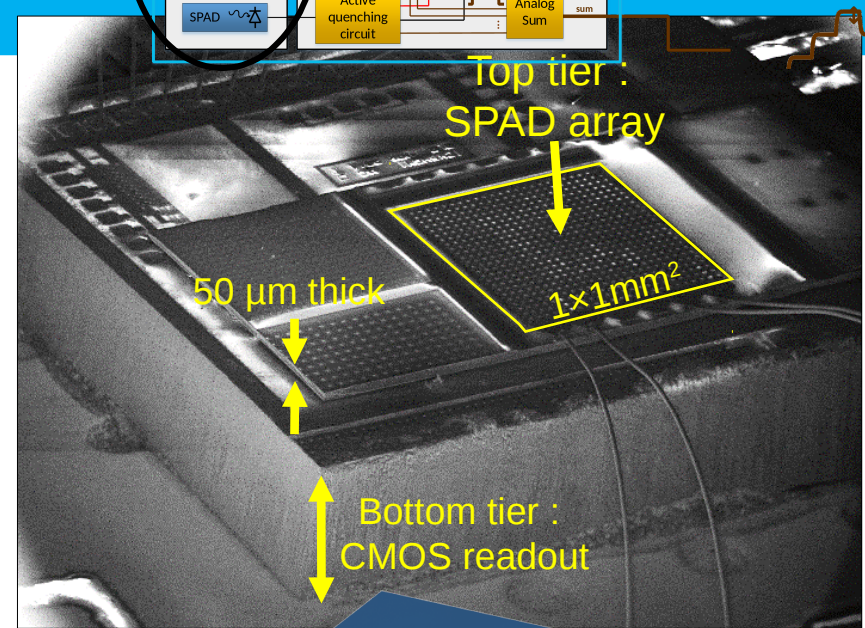
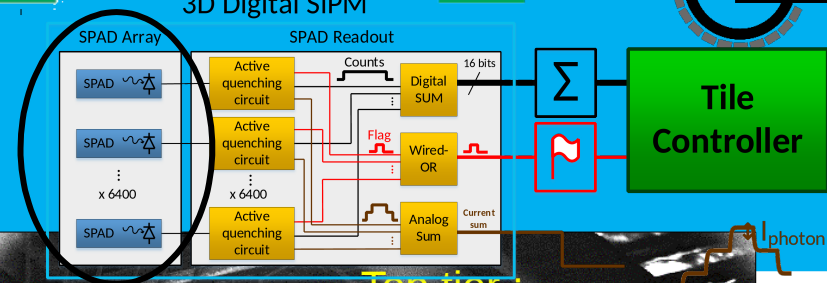
3D Digital SiPM



- Digital Sum
- Wired-OR (first detected photon Flag)
- Analog Sum

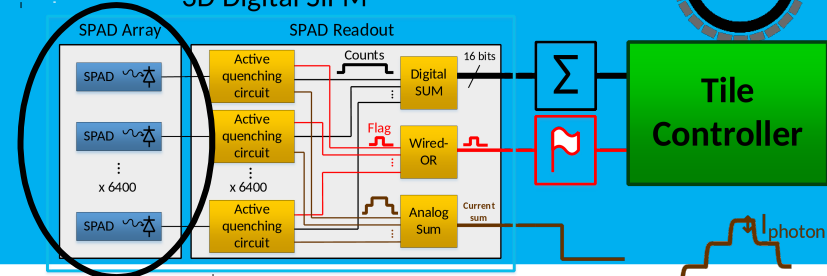
Sherbrooke's 3D digital SiPM. Gen 1

- 1st proposal in 2010*
- Prototype completed
- Embedded features
 - adjustable hold-off time
 - adjustable dynamic range
 - single SPAD enable/disable

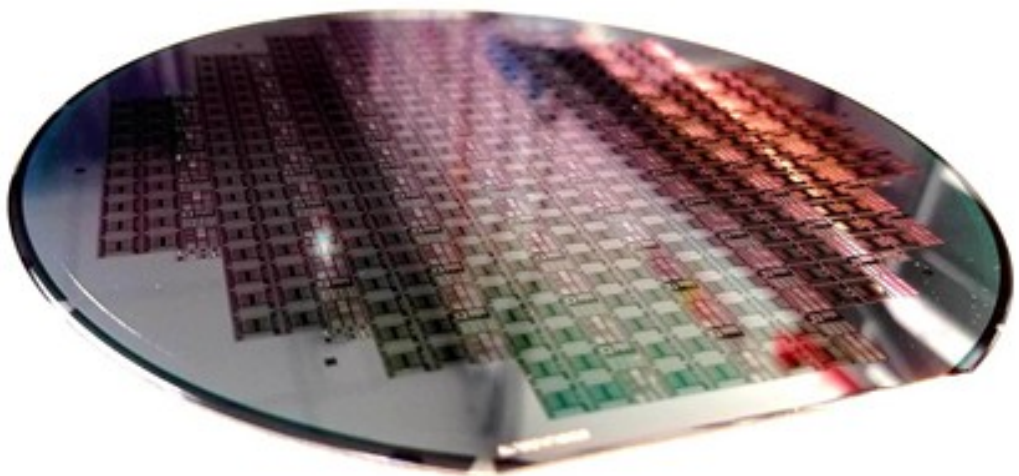
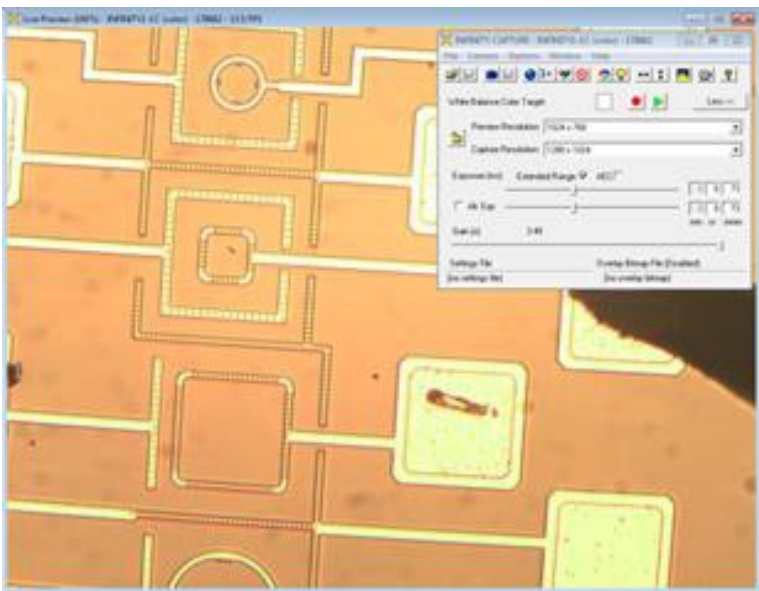


*Pratte et al. « High sensitivity fully digital photodetector », 3D Systems Integration Conf. 2010 IEEE Inter. (3DIC), Germany

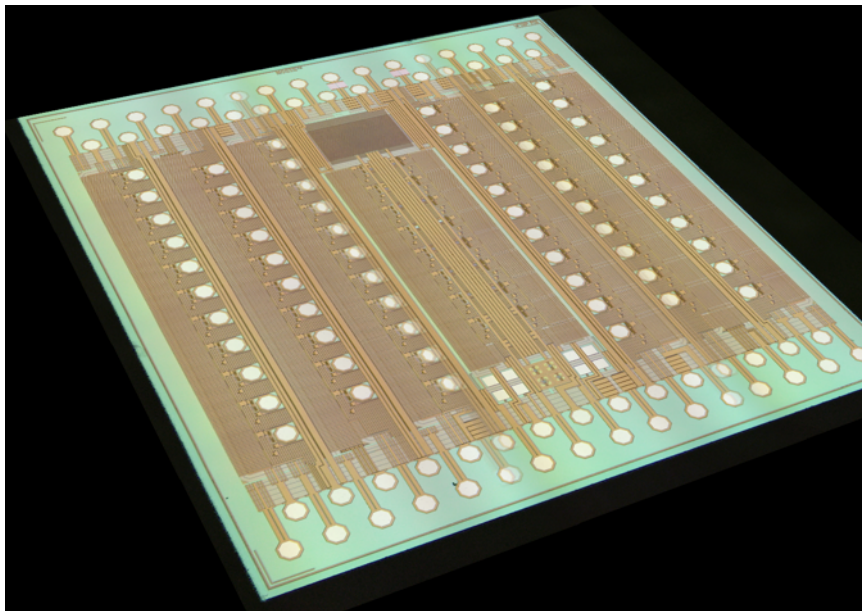
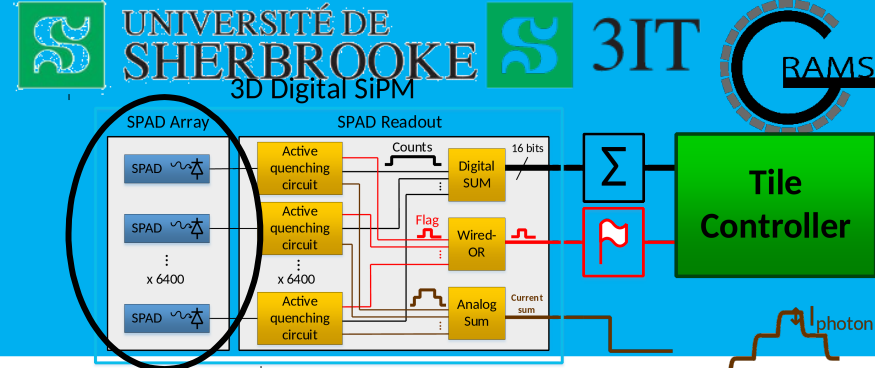
SPAD Gen 2.



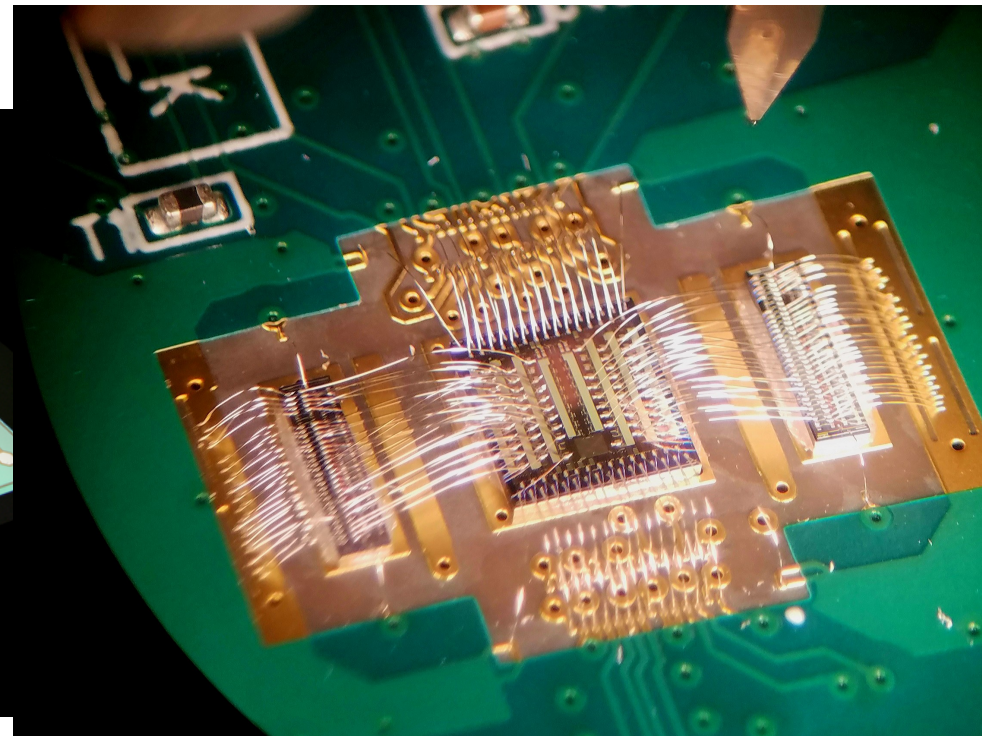
- Single SPAD testing



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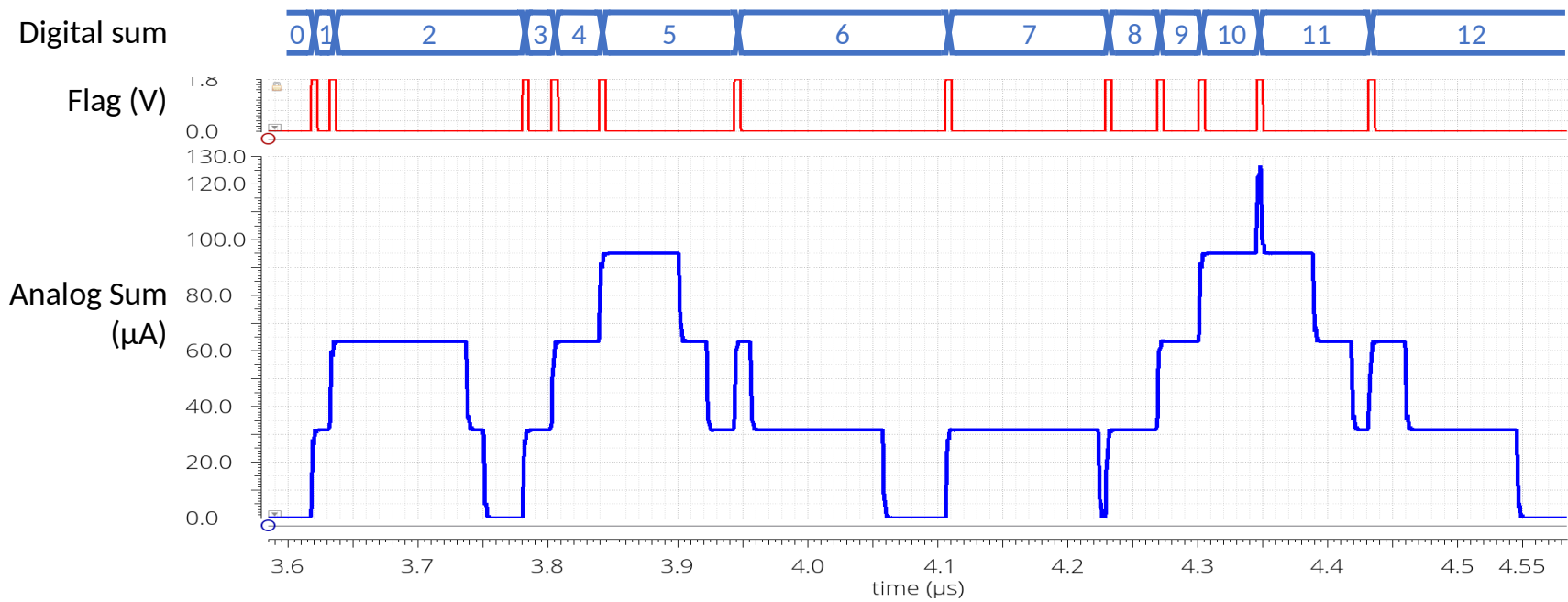
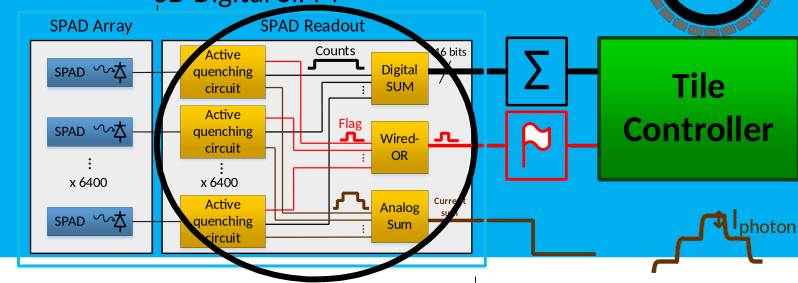


Enhanced micrograph of the chip.
 Top-bottom: I/O pads
 Left-right: pads to external SPADs

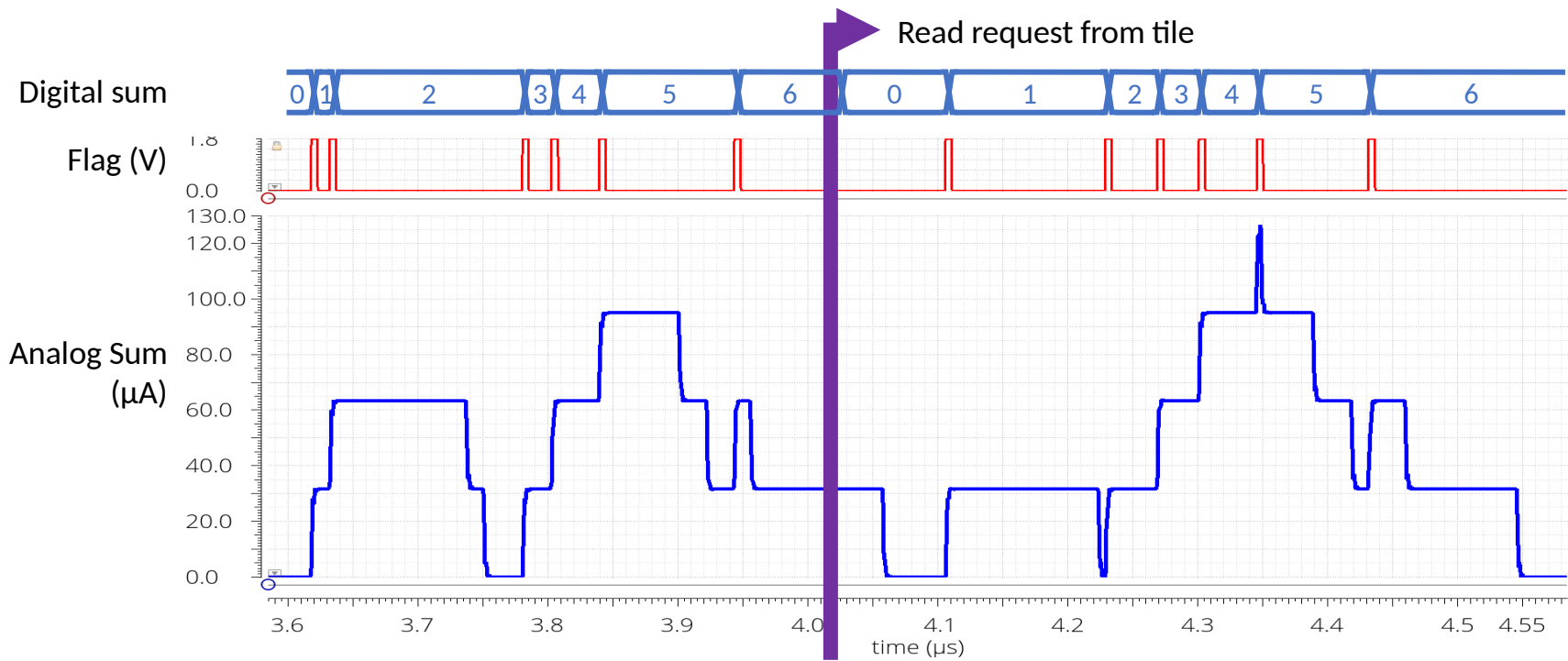
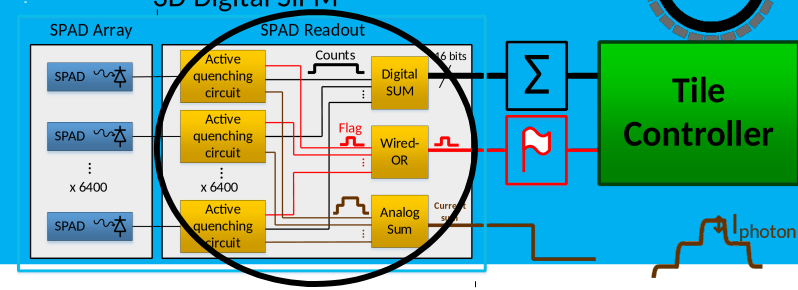


Promising performances achieved

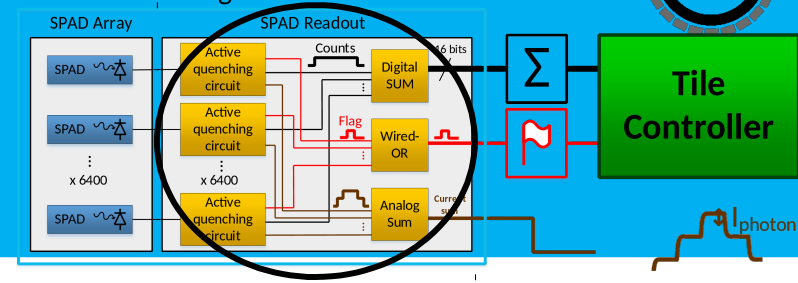
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CMOS Readout for 3DdSiPM

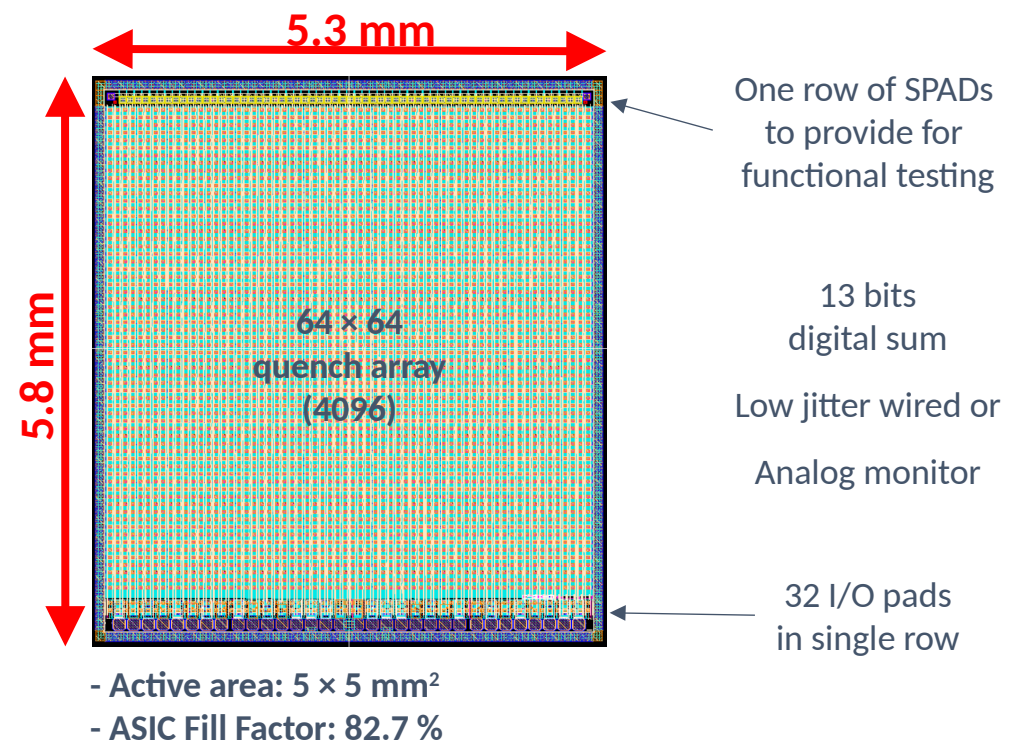


Advancement

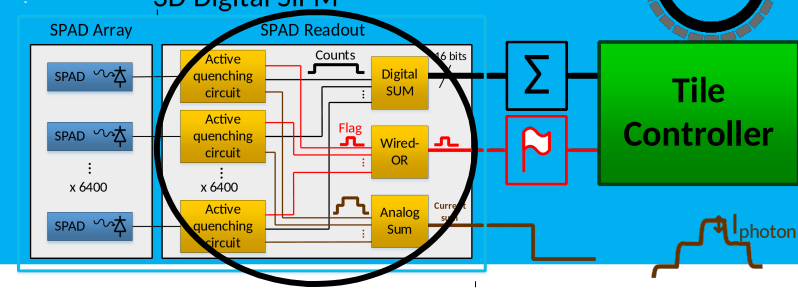
- ✓ Design Review (Winter 2018)
- ✓ ASIC architecture completed
- ✓ Floorplan
- ✓ Digital-on-Top design flow
- ✓ Test bench simulations
- ✓ Top level simulations
- ✓ Submitted Sept. 2018

On going

- ❑ Physical test bench (PCBs, codes, etc.)
- ❑ ASIC Characterization (start Nov. 2018)



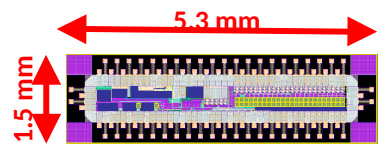
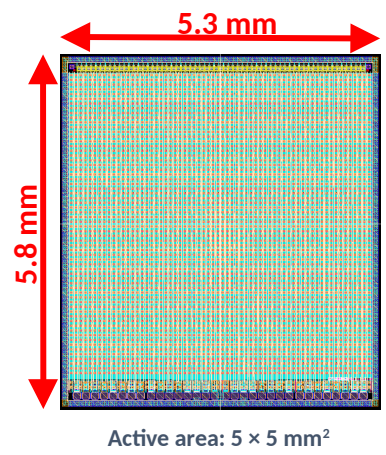
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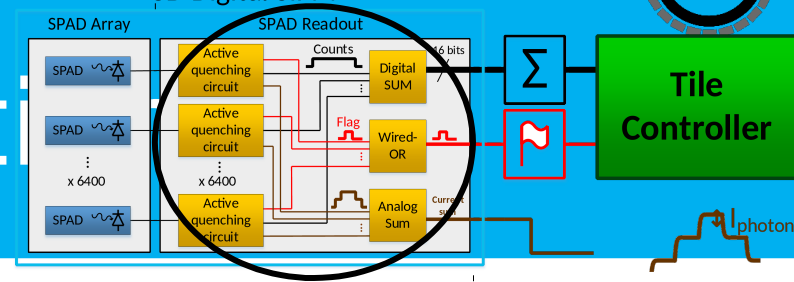
- nEXO mode
 - Event driven
 - Flags the controller to signal counts
 - Transmission on request by controller
 - Integration time 200 ns (10 ns - 1 μs)
 - Analog monitor

- LAr mode
 - Synchronous, short and long frames to allow PSD (Pulse Shape Discrimination) in LAr
 - 10 ns minimum frame, multiples of for long frames
 - 128 FIFO depth for transmission on request
 - Flags the controller to signals counts
 - Flag jitter <500 ps for time-of-flight reconstruction

- Test structures (7.95 mm²)
 - All elemental components of the design have been submitted in a test chip without digital interface to allow tests of:
 - Quenching circuit w/wo SPADs
 - 2D SiPM with analog monitor
 - Timing jitter



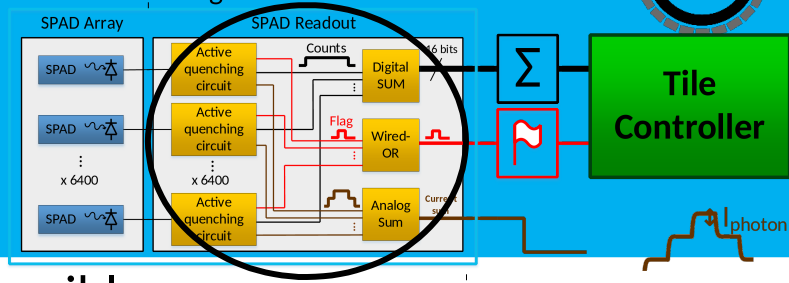
Power consumption



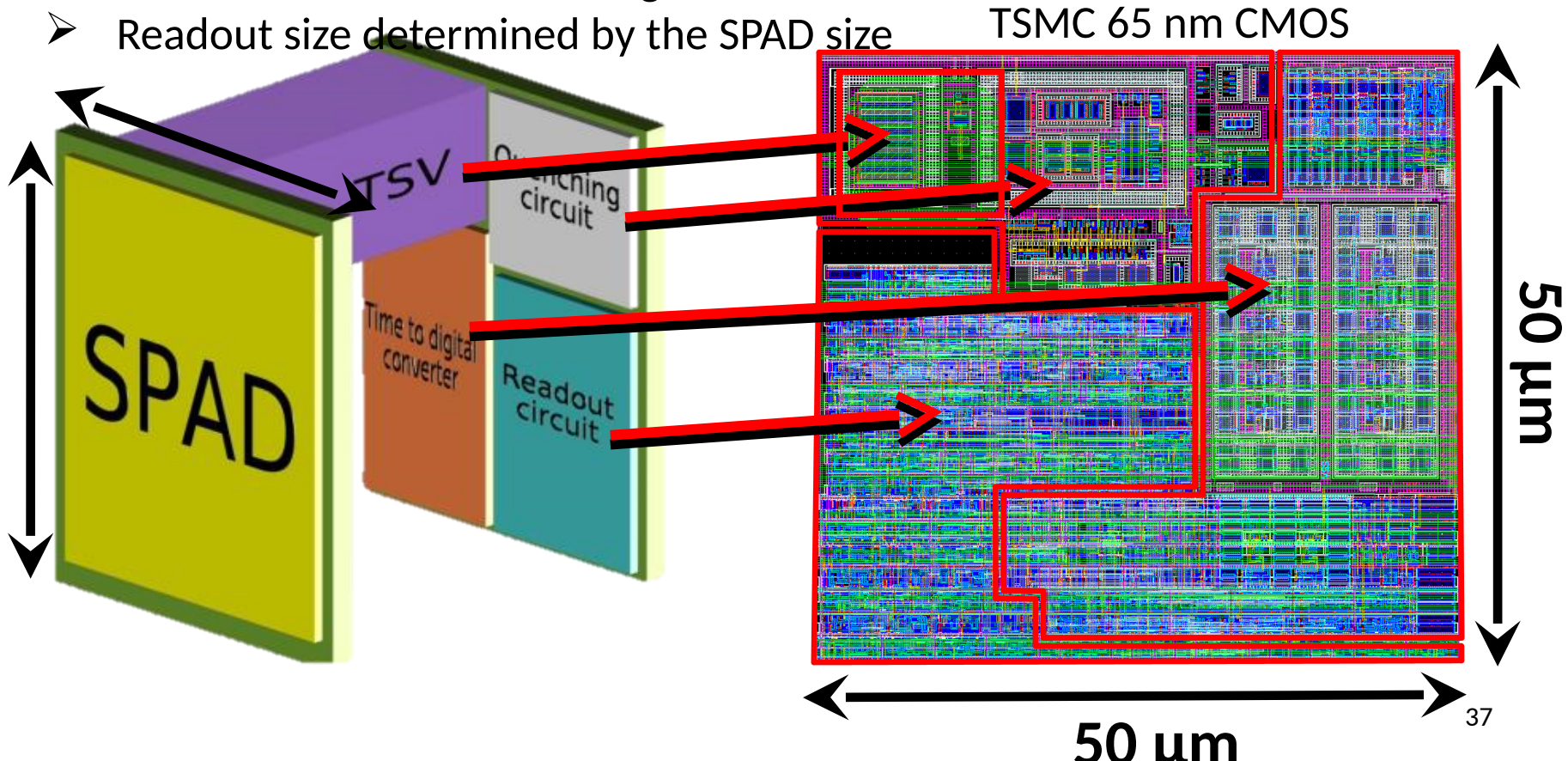
- The proposed 3DdSiPM has a total area of 1 cm² and is composed of three modules.
 - 40 000 quenching circuits to individually quench the SPAD
 - A wired-or for the flag
 - A parallel adder for the sum
- Power consumption of the 3DdSiPM depends on the event rates
 - Power consumption evaluated for a DCR of 5k s⁻¹/cm²
- **So... for 4 m², the digitization cost ~0.7 W! About x20 estimated for analog SiPMs**

Consumption per 3DdSiPM (1 cm ²)			
	Static (μW)	Dynamic (μW)	Total (μW)
Quenching circuit (40k)	10	1	11
Wired-OR	0.3	1.3	1.6
Adder	5.2	1E-3	5.2
Total	15.5	2.3	17.8

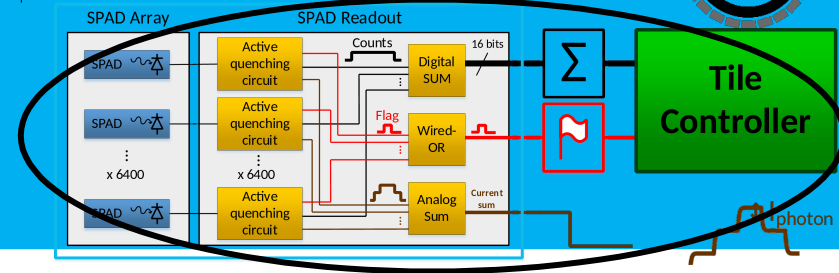
CMOS for high speed applications



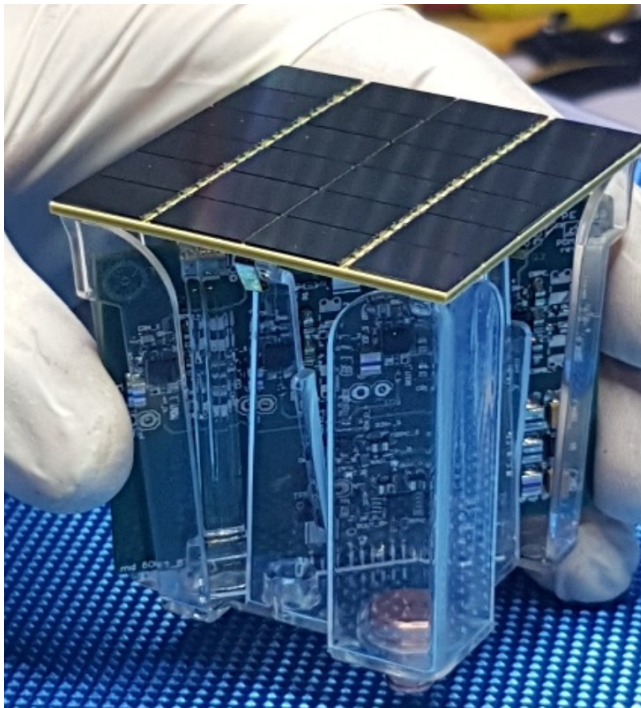
- Need to timestamp as many prompt photons as possible
 - 1 TDC per SPAD
- 3D SPAD readout to eliminate timing skew
 - Readout size determined by the SPAD size



Tile assembly



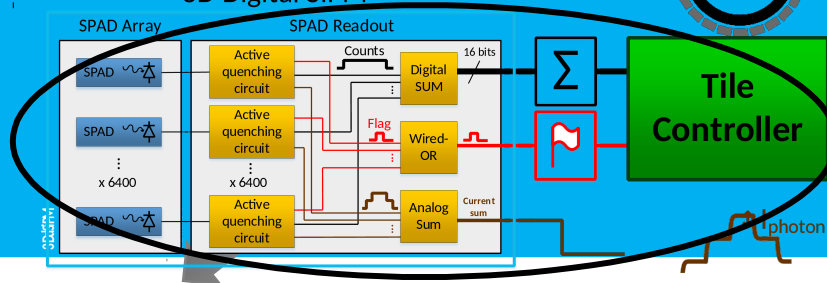
- DarkSide "tile"



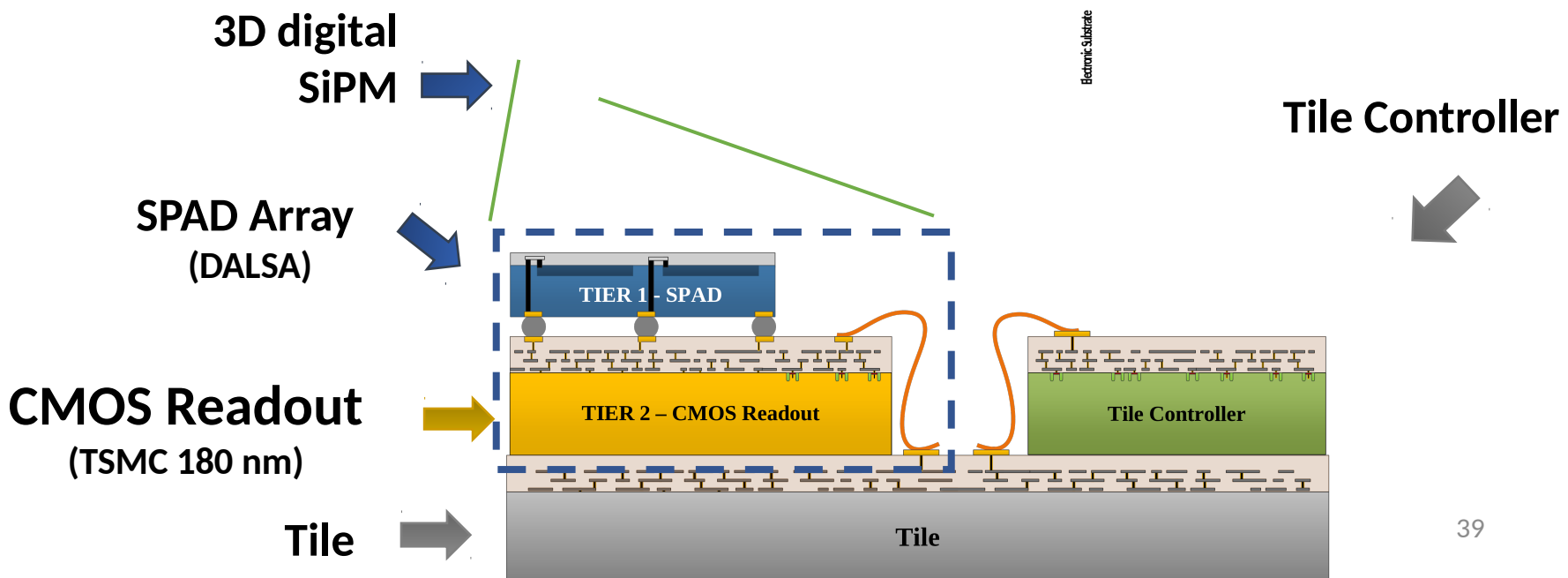
- nEXO tile

- Radioactivity constraints greatly limit material for "PCB"
 - Two options: quartz or silicon
- Silicon interposer is ideal
 - Low radioactivity
 - Thermal expansion match
 - Interest in the industry
 - Institute of Microelectronics (IME) in China
 - Fraunhofer in Germany

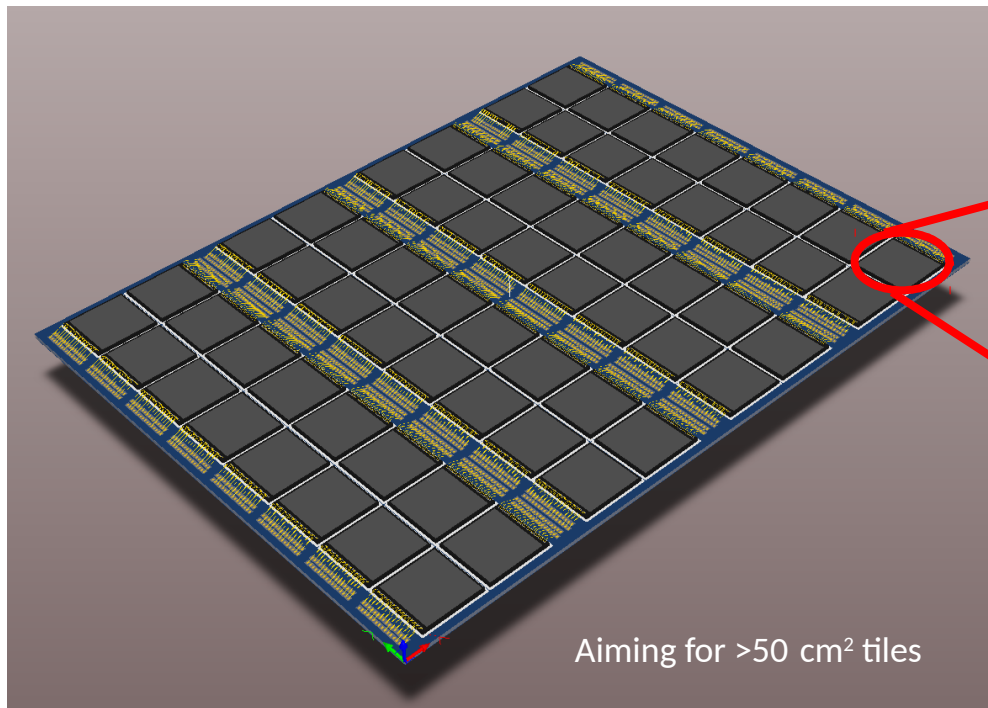
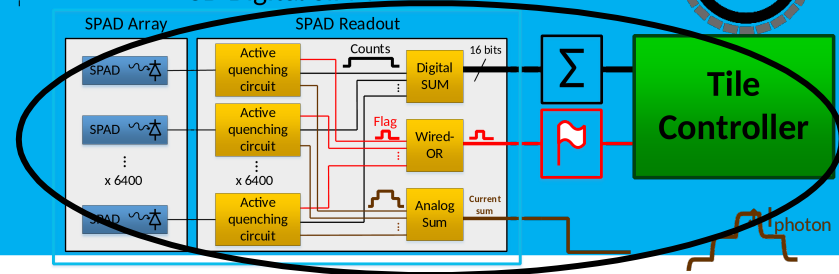
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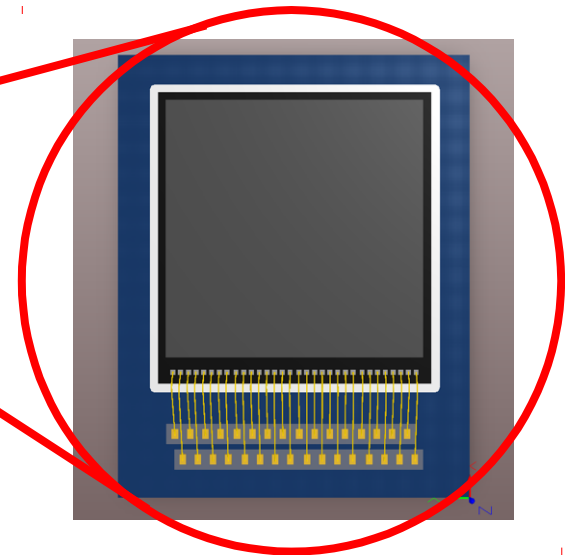
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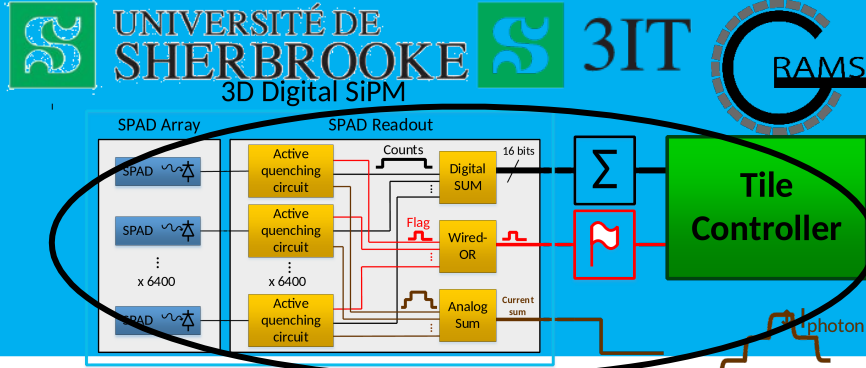


3DdSiPM Tile Assembly



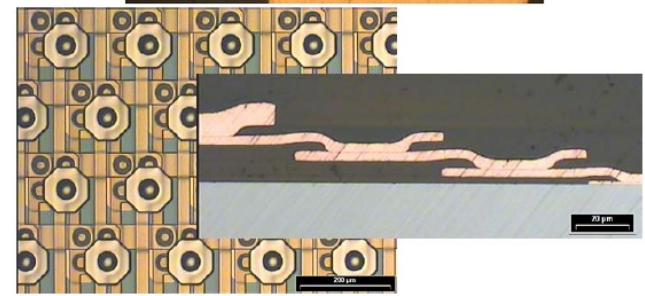
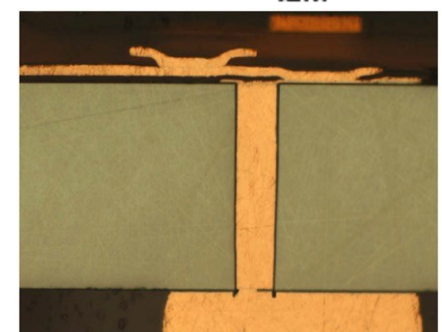
Aiming for >50 cm² tiles





- Focusing on 3DdSiPM tile requirements (digital)
 - 4 metal/TSV/4 metal
 - Digital transmission over ~5 cm distance
 - rate to be determined
 - 4 metal layers per side enable proper transmission line design
- Phase 1:
 - Signal transmission simulations
 - Routing mockup (how many layers are really needed)
- Phase 2: Design rules validation and prototypes
- Phase 3: Full size implementation
- Seed funding to be requested in 2 weeks

Fraunhofer
 IZM





Overview of 3DdSiPM readout electronics development

- 3DdSiPM readout electronics

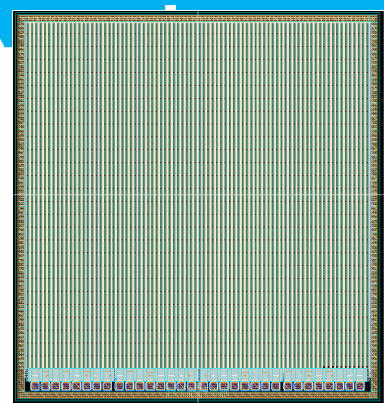
- Design submitted (Sept. 2018)
- Testbenches in design:
 - Validate the design
 - Prepare for ASIC testing

- Cryogenic CMOS modeling

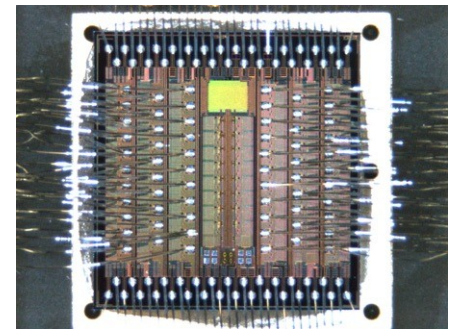
- Completed design (Fall 2017), fabrication (Feb. 2018)
- Transistors under testing and modeling has started
- Need to feed these models into simulator for final validation of 3DdSiPM readout design

- Large size silicon interposer for the tile structure

- Discussions with DarkSide electronics' group to develop this (potential CERN support)



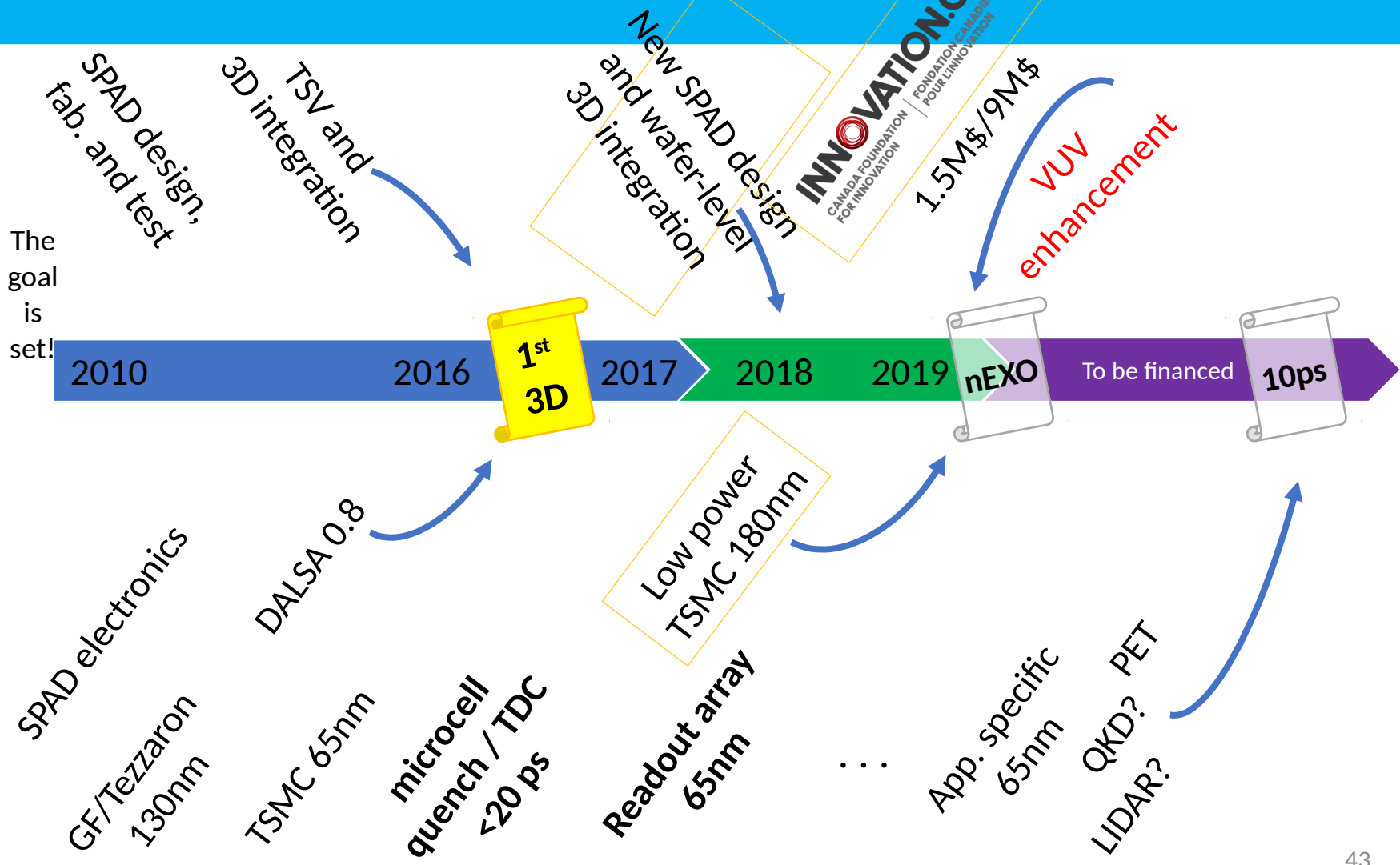
Full readout ASIC



- ChipProbe

- Completed design (Fall 2017)
- Fabrication (Feb. 2018)
- Now used to test SPADs for photodetector development (can quench external SPADs)

Our roadmap



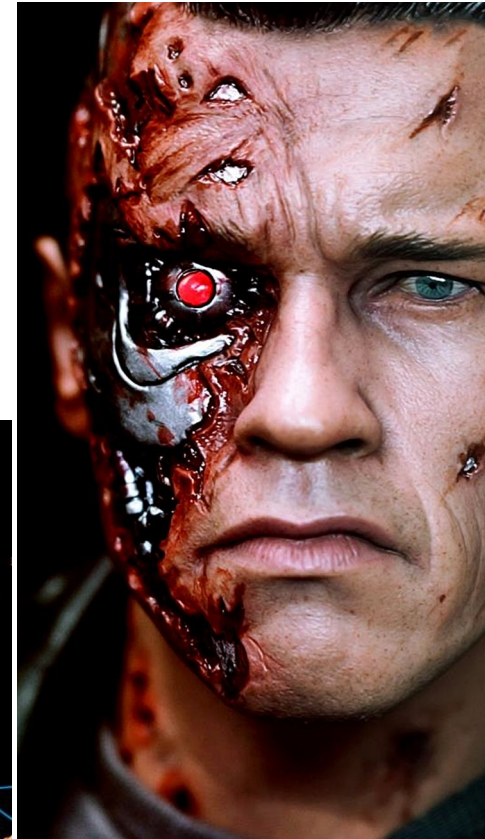
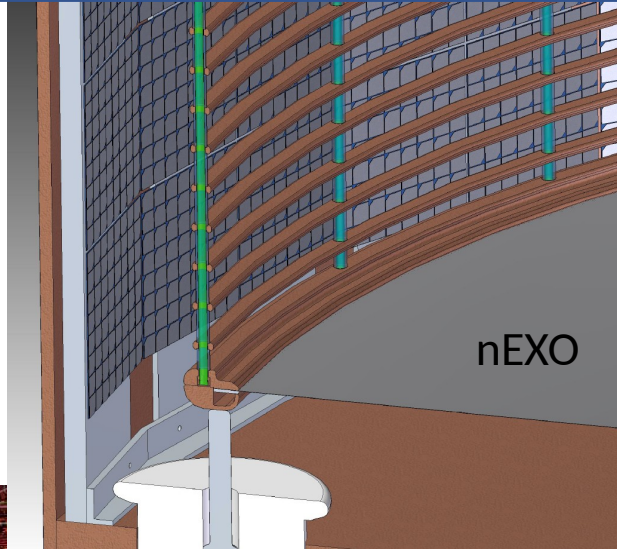
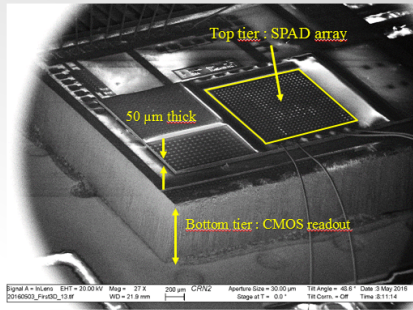
Long term outlook

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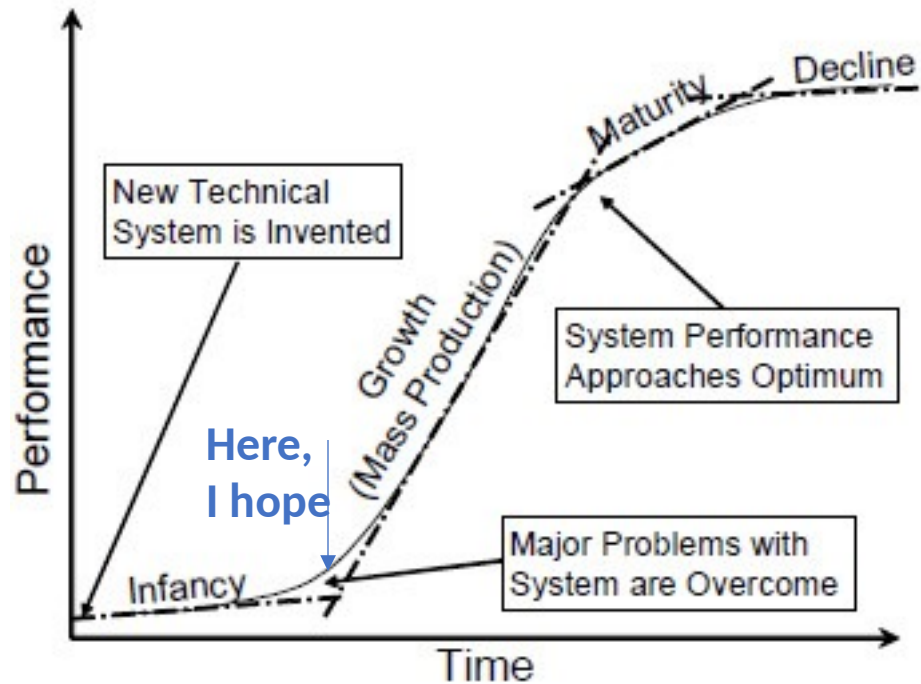
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Scanning Electron Microscope Image



A more sobering outlook

- Where are we?



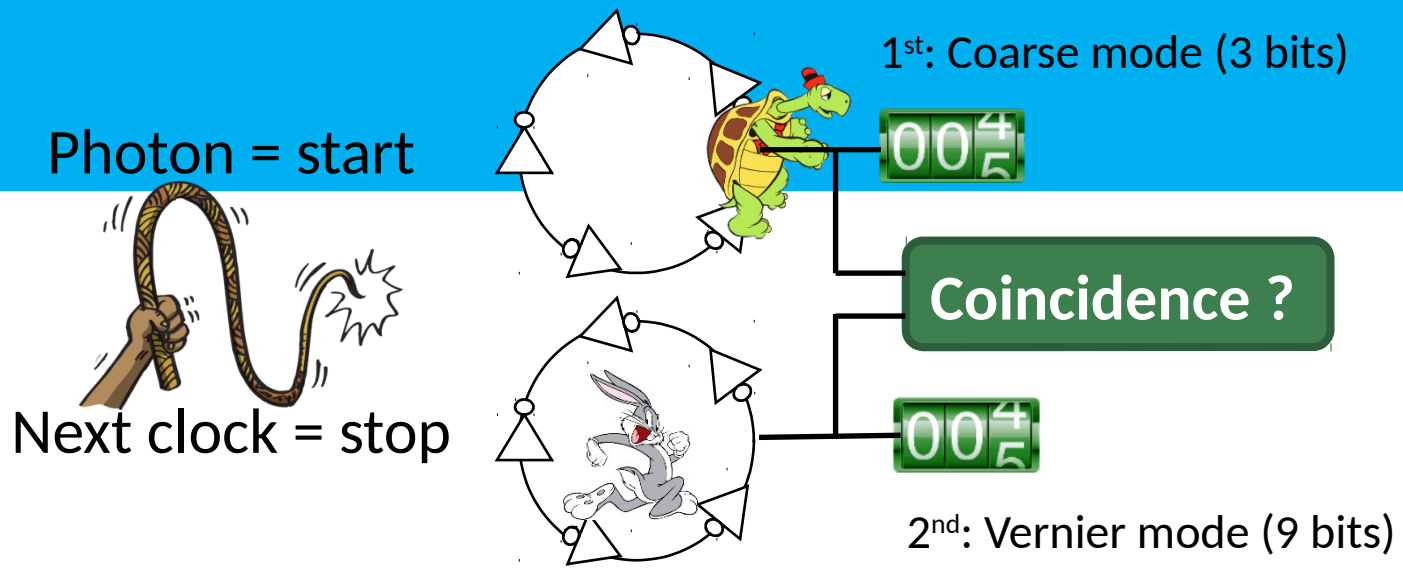
Technology life-cycle curve

- Mitigating risks through an expanded collaborative effort?
- And challenges that I glanced over
 - Optimum SPAD array configuration for 3D?
 - VUV sensitivity
 - IR sensitivity
 - Silicon or something else?

Summary

- SiPMs are a compelling solution in LXe and LAr
 - Need LBL MBE to achieve desired VUV sensitivity
- 3DdSiPM is the “ultimate” SiPM solution
 - Combining photon detection and electronics
 - Potential to achieve highest performances
 - Efficiency, After-pulsing suppression
- Many applications outside particle physics
 - Photon detection is very versatile

The end

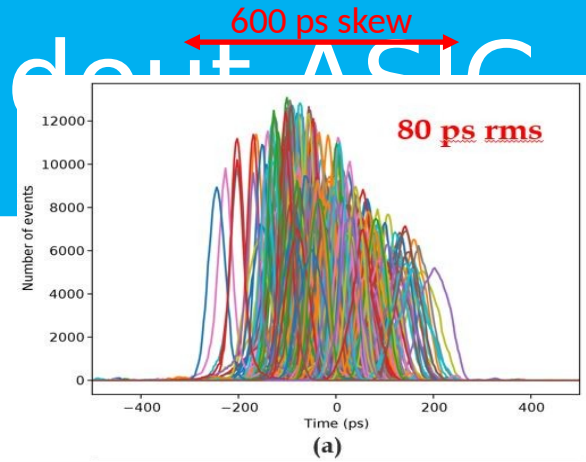
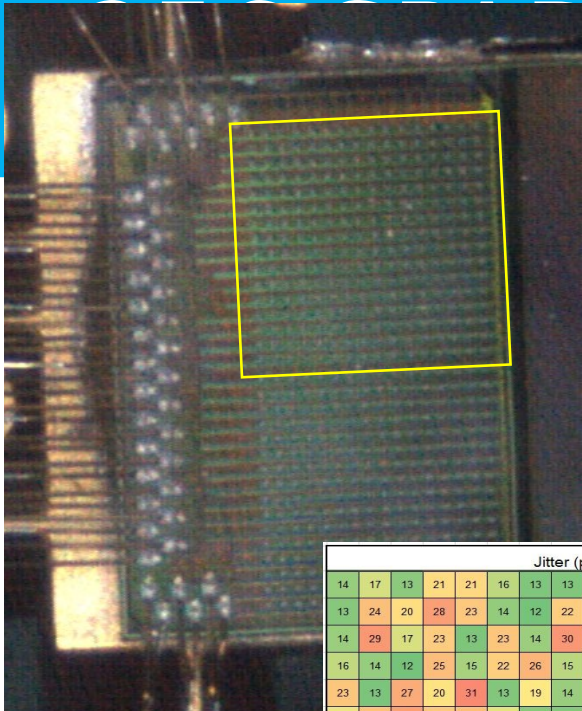


Dual Phase-Locked Loop:

- To stabilize each ring
 - Temperature, bias voltage
- To provide uniformity
 - Pixel-to-pixel variation
 - Chip-to-chip variation

- Jitter: 16.2 ps (mean)
- Resolution: 15 ps
- DNL max: 0.37 LSB, INL max: 3.3 LSB
- 162 μ W up to 100 kcps
- Very small area

pixels readout ASIC

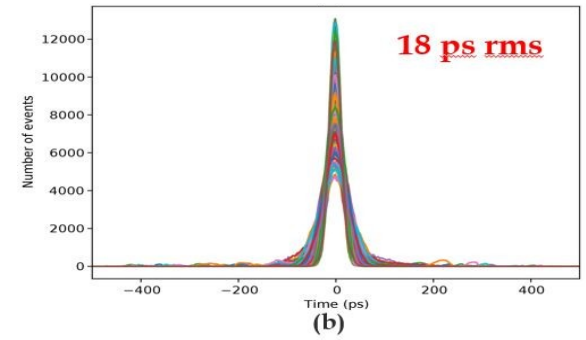


256 histograms of timing jitter of each pixel.

Jitter (ps rms)															
14	17	13	21	21	16	13	13	27	28	18	15	14	12	15	16
13	24	20	28	23	14	12	22	21	13	14	20	12	15	17	20
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The timing jitter of each pixel as a function of the position in the array.

Calibration and correction

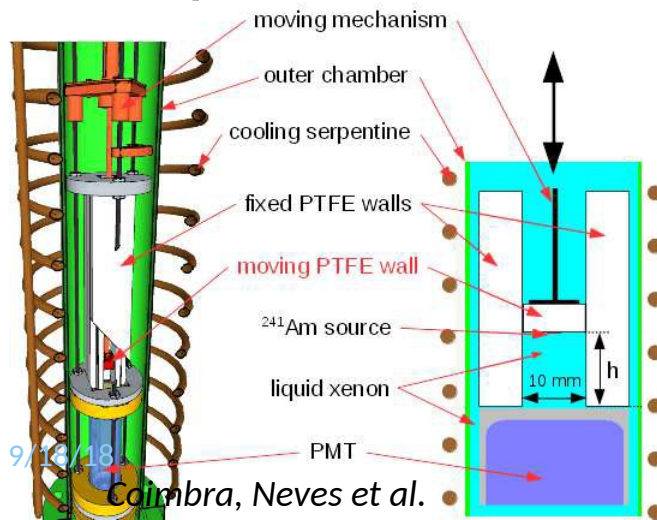


Photon transport characterization in general

- In vacuum

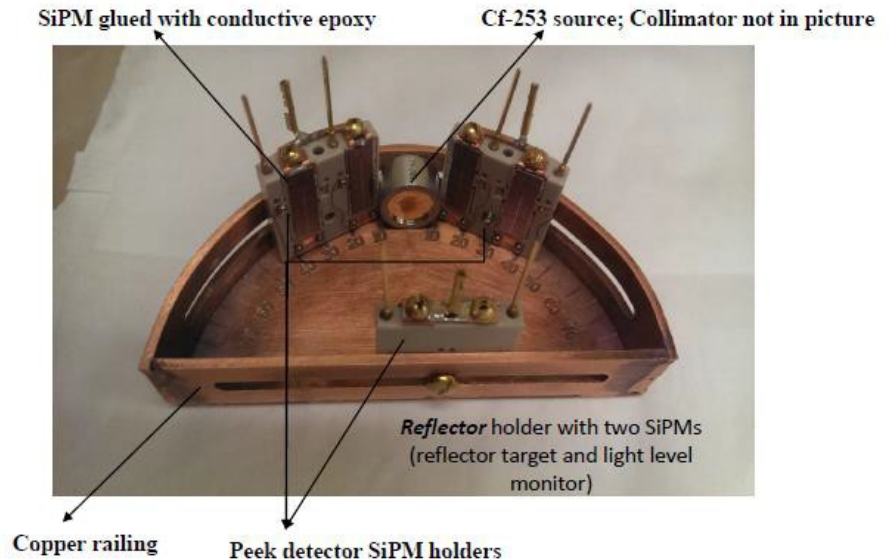
- Differential vs wavelength and angle
- Useful for material characterization

- In liquid Xenon

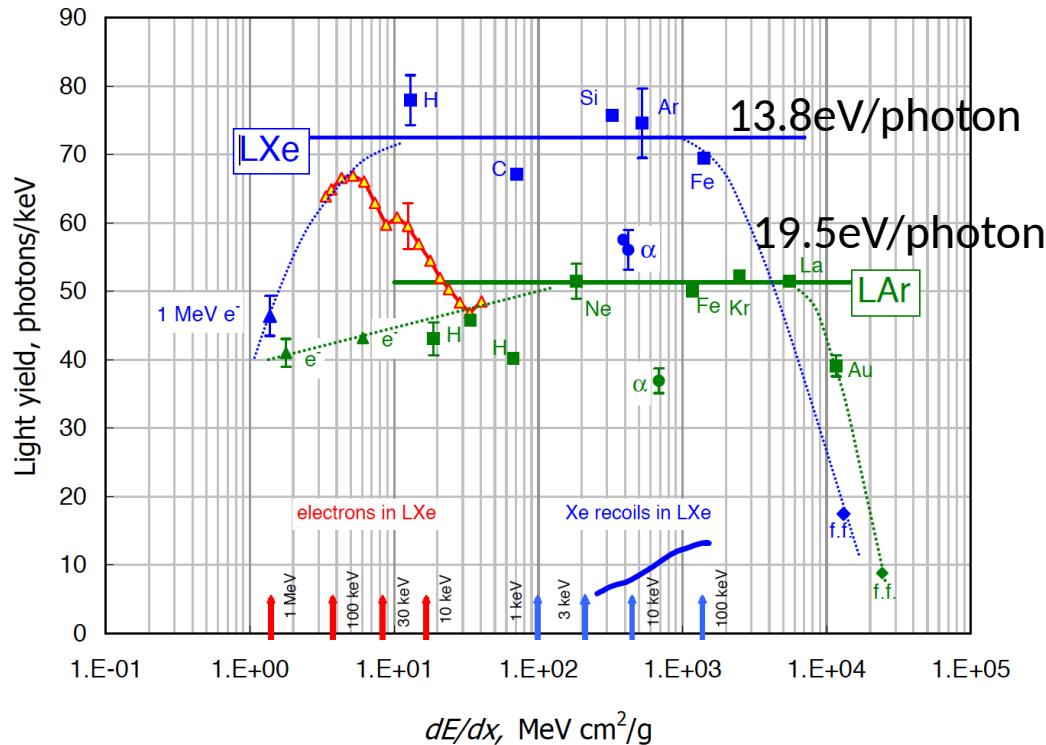


- In liquid Xenon differential (in angle)

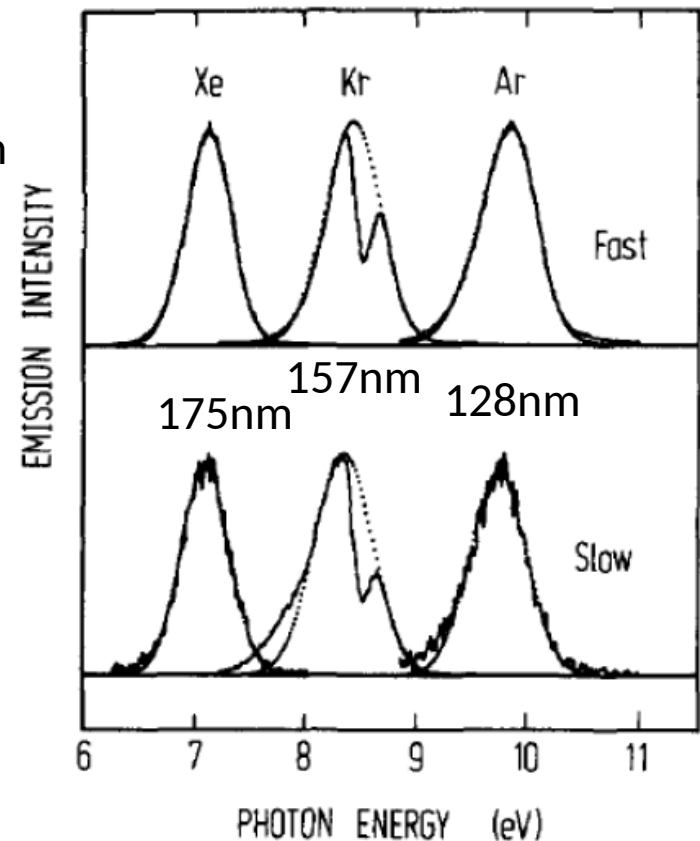
- Muenster
- Optics characterization at U.Alabama
 - Key element very absorptive VUV material (e.g. Actar)



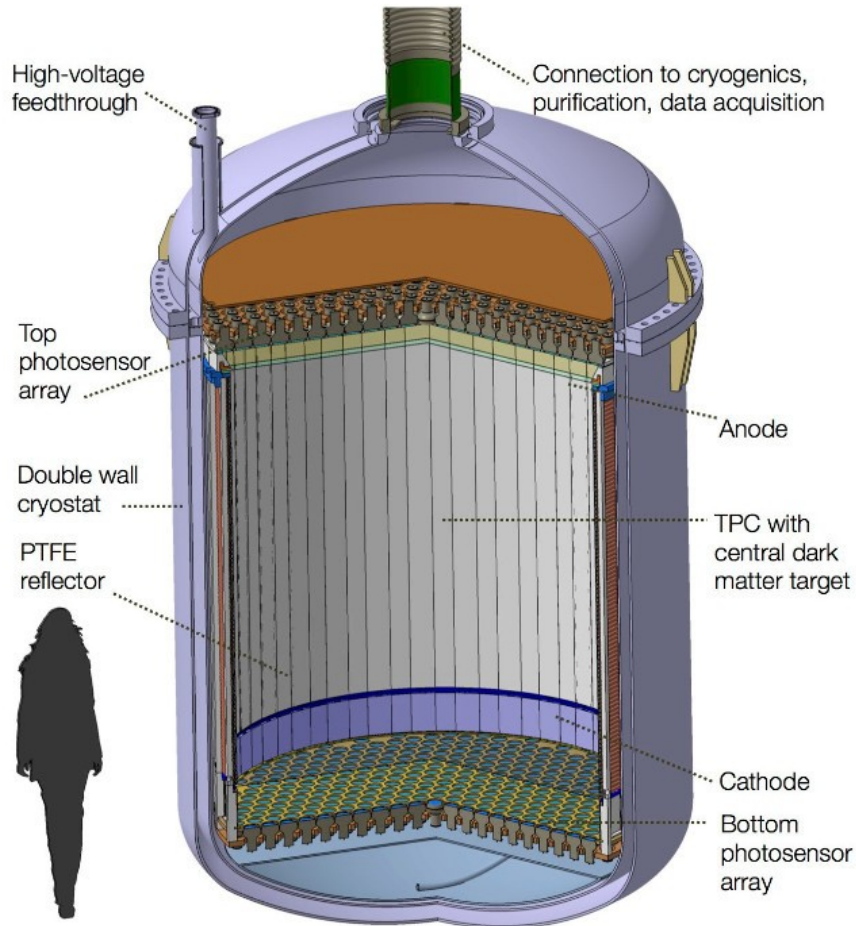
Scintillation in LXe and LAr



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Dark matter - DARWIN

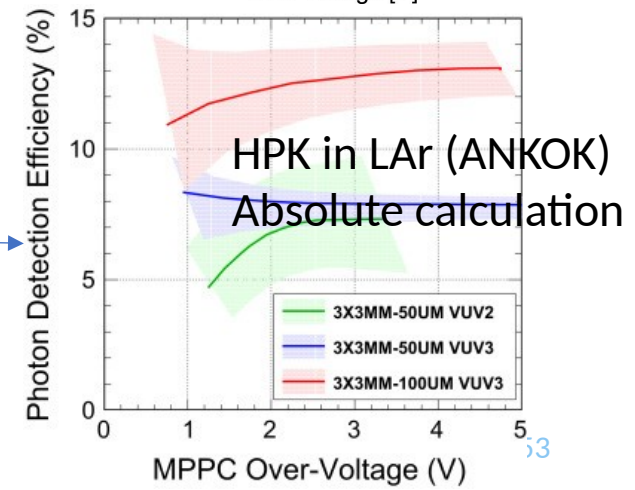
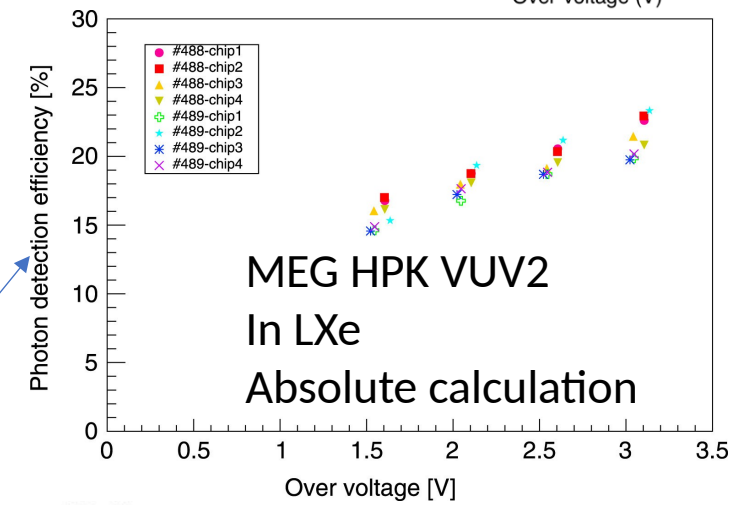
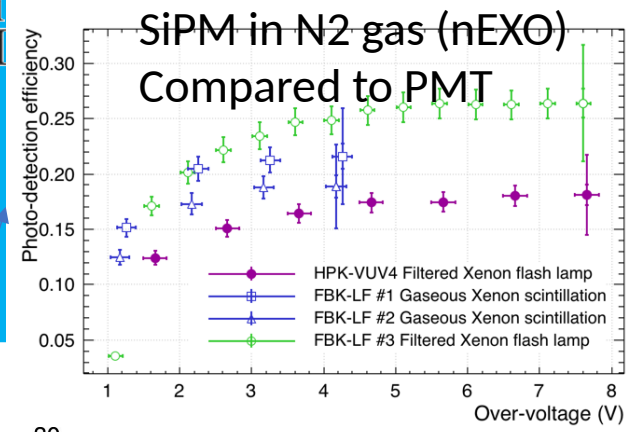
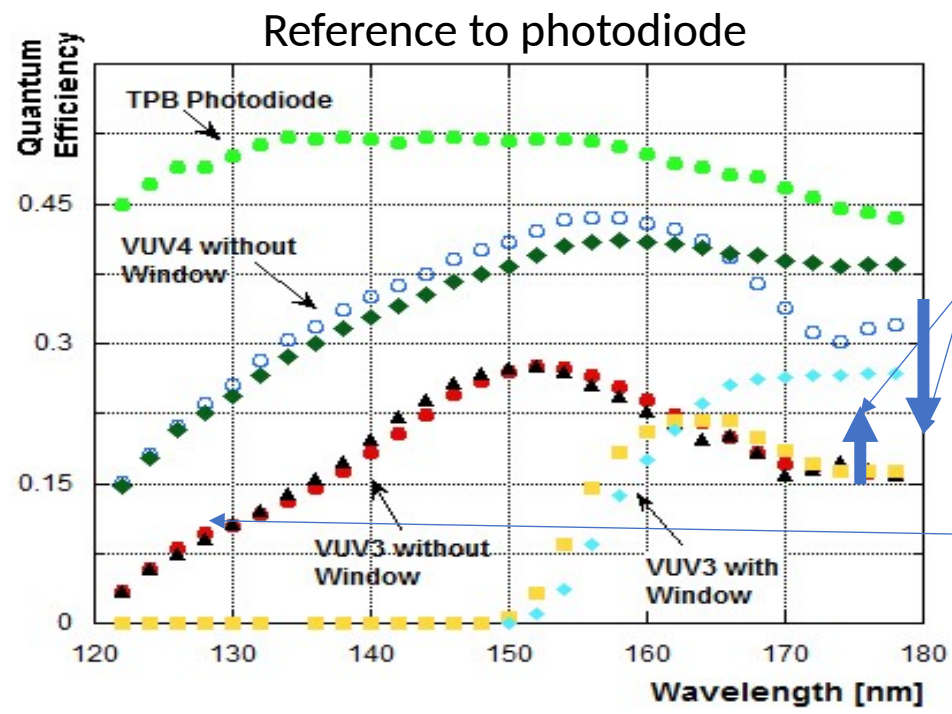


- SiPM investigated among other options
 - PMTs
 - Hybrid PMT with SiPM for gain stage (CUPID)
 - MPGD (gas)
- Dark noise requirement very low for matching small scintillation flash (1PE) with full drift time $\sim 1\text{ms}$
 - DN Rate $< 10^{-3} \text{ Hz/mm}^2$?

The PDE issue?

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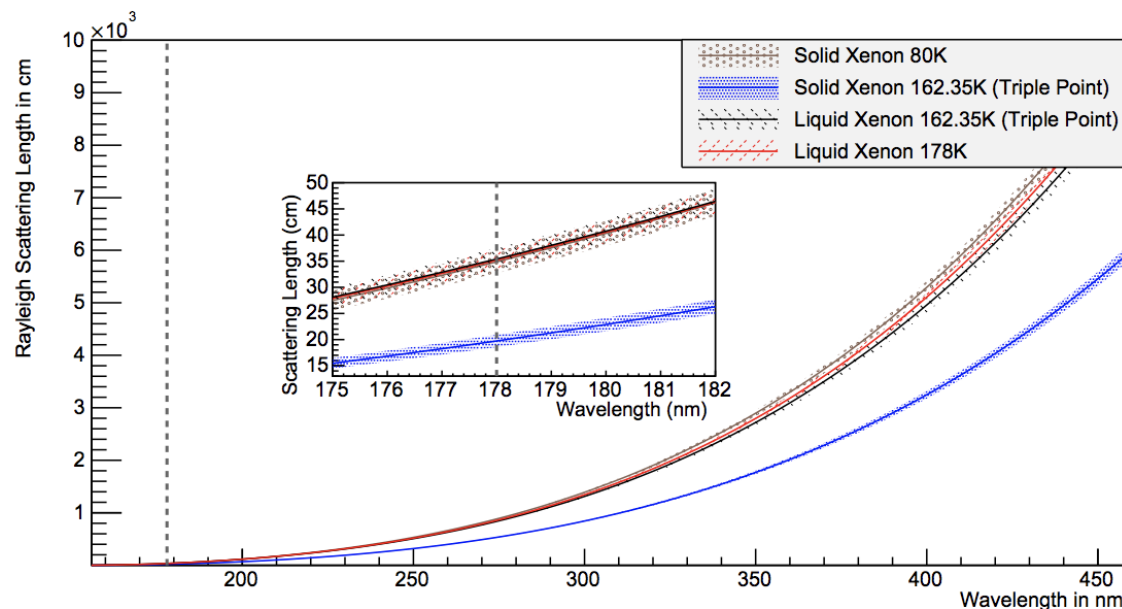
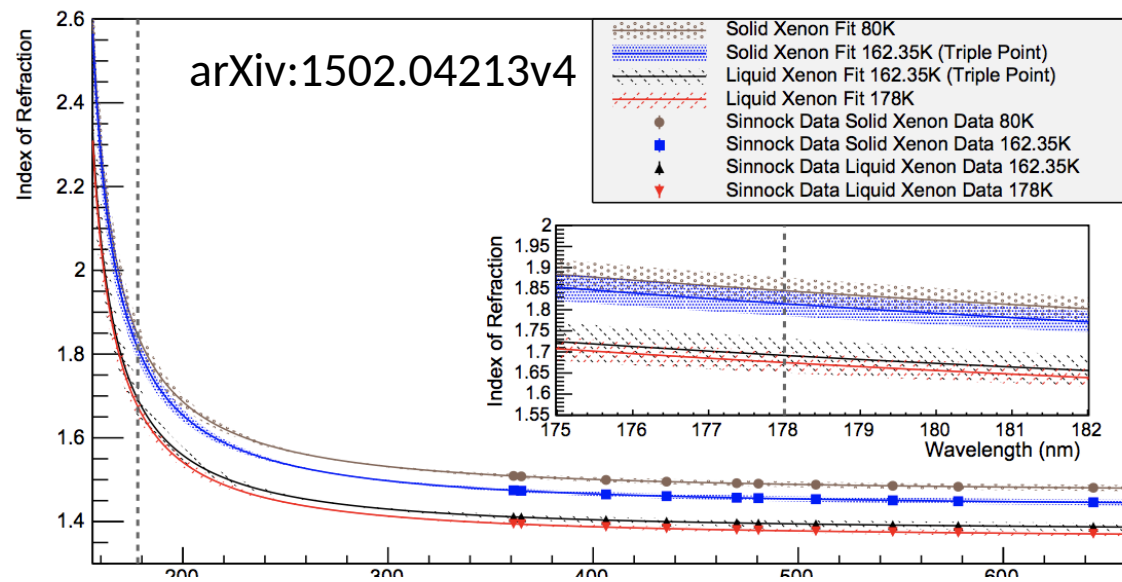
Light detection in selected experiments

Experiment	Inferred overall efficiency (g1) Photoelectron/photon	Comment
XMASS	~15%	PMTs + high coverage
LUX	11.7 +- 0.3 %	Teflon + PMTs
PANDAX-II	11.3 +- 0.5 %	Teflon + PMTs
XENON-1T	14.4 ± 0.7 %	Teflon + PMTs
EXO-200	7-9%	Teflon + APDs
nEXO	>3%	SiPM barrel
MIX	23.9 ± 1.2 %	PMTs + Teflon
PIXeY	9.7+- 0.2 %	

Are these numbers always true photo-electrons?
Or can they include after-pulse? They should not!

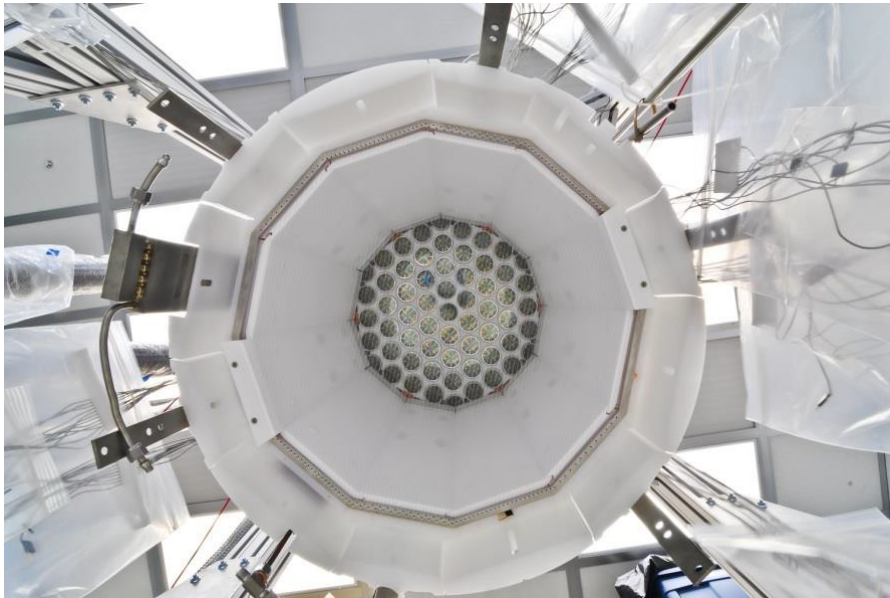
Photon transport through liquid Xen

- Attenuation length, ~4m but dependent on purity
- Is the index of refraction measured well enough?



The wonder of teflon

- The inside of LUX

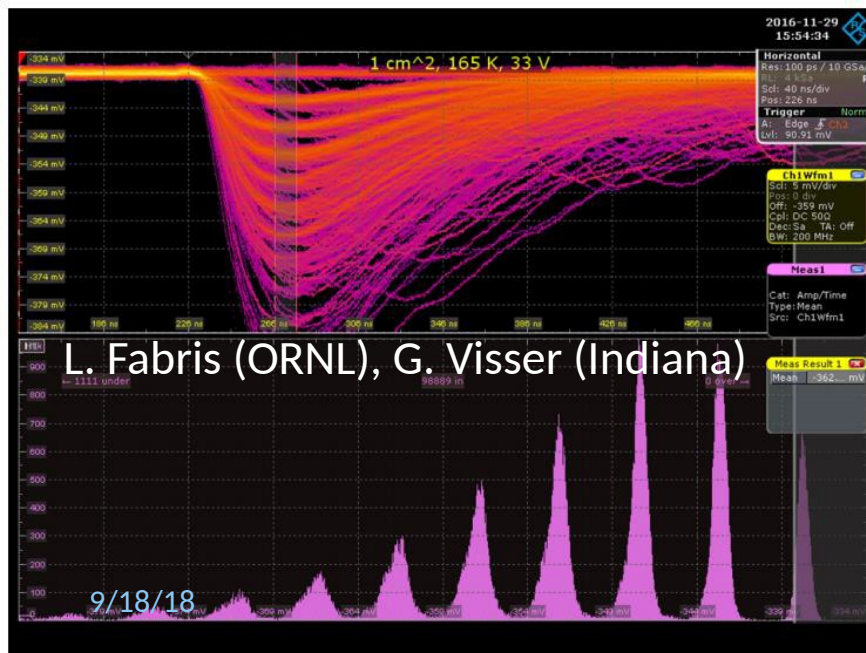


- 10% overall detection efficiency with a 35% efficiency PMT means the transport efficiency is $\sim 30\%$
- 30% efficiency is outstanding with a photo-coverage $< 10\%$

Gain/noise and digital SiPMs

- Noise specifications $< 0.2\text{PE}$
- Power specification $\sim 100\text{W}$ for 4 m^2
- Capacitance $\sim \text{nF}/\text{cm}^2$
- Tough but it works
 - nEXO R&D
 - Also work at Abu Dhabi

- Power constraints limit the speed
 - Sampling rate for nEXO $\sim 2\text{MHz}$
 - 10 MHz would be desirable
 - Higher speed would be useful for PSD, Cerenkov detection and using electro-luminescence
- Difficult with analog electronics but “easy” with digital SiPMs
 - See my other talk for details
 - Option being investigated in parallel for nEXO



A large area SiPM for efficient detection of the fast scintillation component of BaF₂

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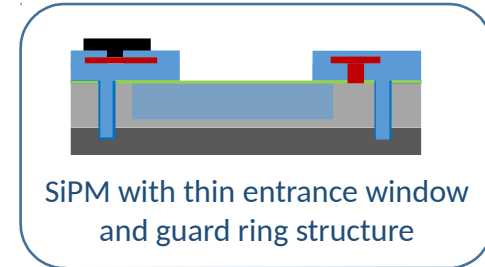
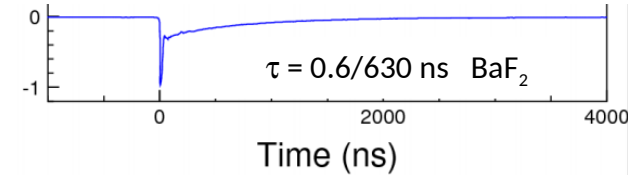
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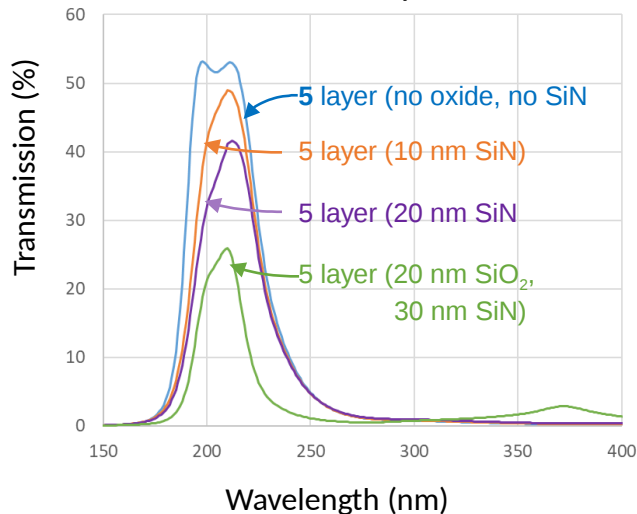
Making use of the very fast barium fluoride scintillation component at 220nm for fast timing and high rate capability requires a means of suppressing the larger slow component at 300nm

Caltech/JPL and FBK are developing a SiPM with an integrated interference filter for this purpose

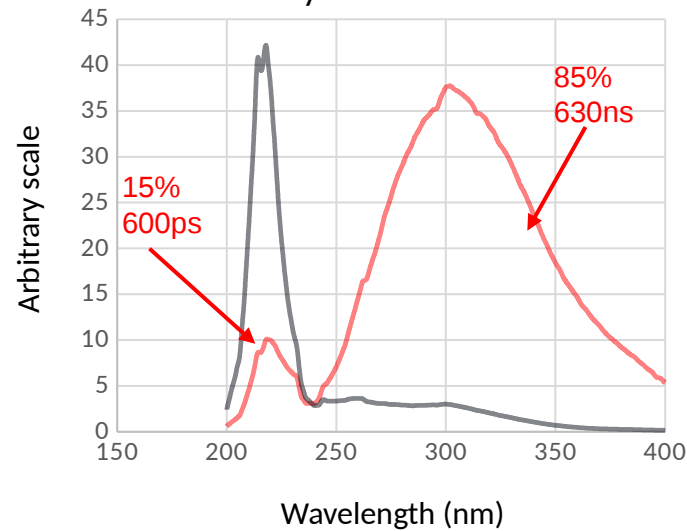
This requires reduction of SiN passivation layer on an FBK device and fabrication of an integrated metal/dielectric filter, which has higher efficiency than an external filter



Calculated transmittance of several 5 layer filters



Native BaF₂ spectrum & calculated response with 5 layer filter on 10nm SiN



Test wafers are in production



THGEM. Another promising avenue

- L. Arazi & Weizman group
- Bubble assisted amplification in thick GEM
- Pros:
 - Low radioactivity possible (?)
 - Cheap (?)
 - Low dark noise
 - May be needed for DARWIN

