



Silicon Strip Sensor R&D and results from HPK sensor measurements

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Outline:

- SiLC “Sensor Baseline”
- Status of companies
- Results from HPK

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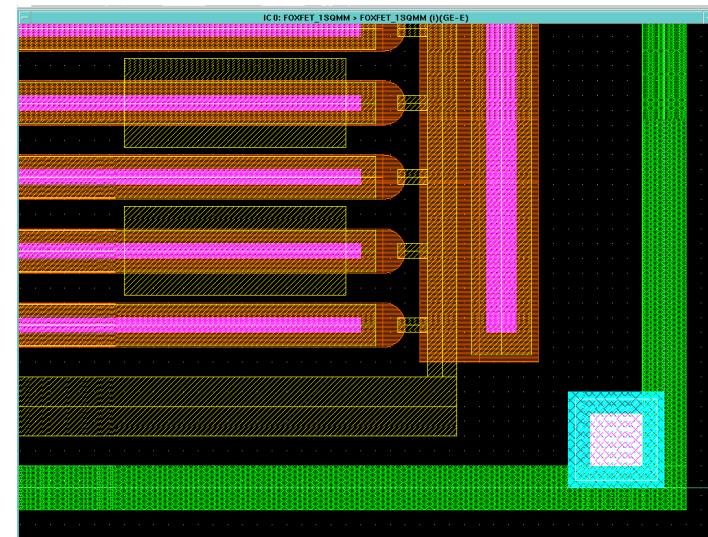
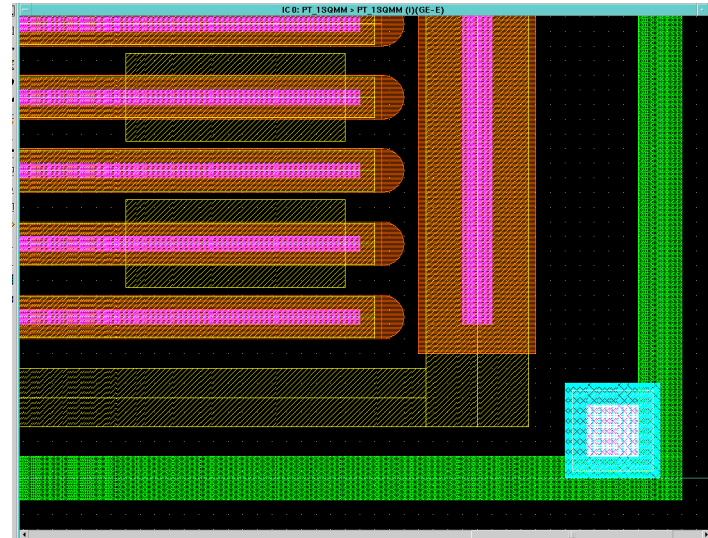
SiC Silicon Sensor Baseline

- **SiC sensor baseline**
 - FZ p-on-n sensors: n-bulk material, p+ implants for strips
 - high resistivity (5-10 kOhm cm)
 - Readout strip pitch of 50 μ m
 - Possibly intermediate strips in between (resulting 25 μ m pitch)
 - Smaller pitch becomes very complicated (Pitch adapter, bonding, charge sharing,...)
 - Thickness around 100-300 μ m
 - mostly limited by readout chip capabilities (S/N ratio)
 - **Low current:** <1nA per strip
(Due to long integration time noise mostly defined by current and resistors)
- **Baseline for inner layers:**
 - 6" inch, Double sided, AC coupled
- **Baseline for outer layers:**
 - 8" (12"?) inch, Single sided, Preferably DC coupled (cheaper)

Sensor Baseline Details

Biasing Possibilities:

- bias resistor with **poly-silicon** (20 to 50 MOhm)
- **punch-through** (upper picture)
- or **FOXFET** biasing structure (lower picture)
 - Latter two have non-linear behavior
 - But are cheaper

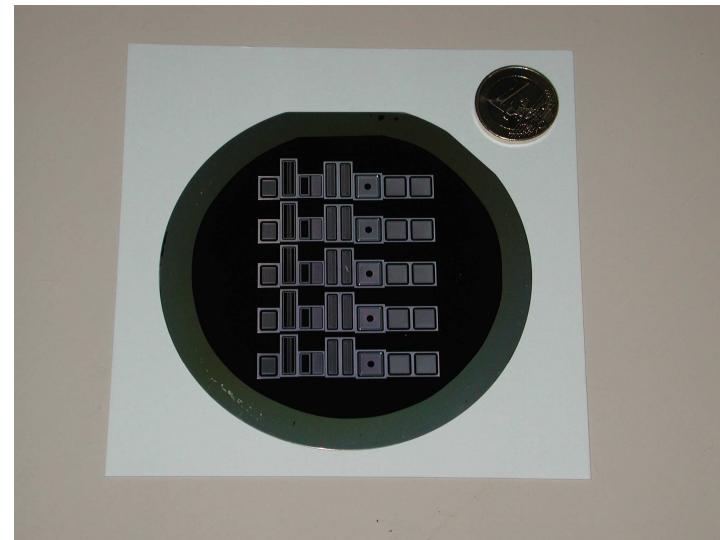
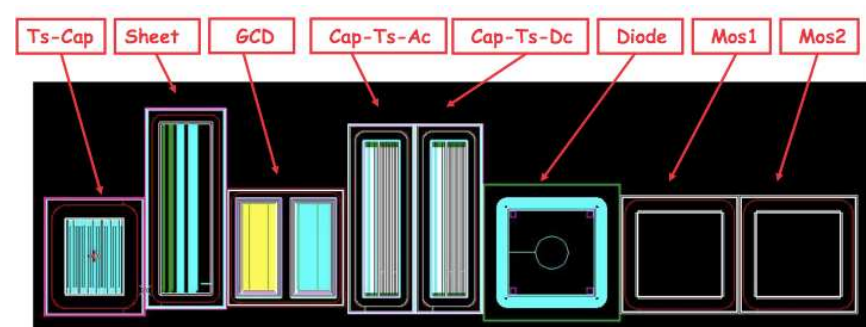




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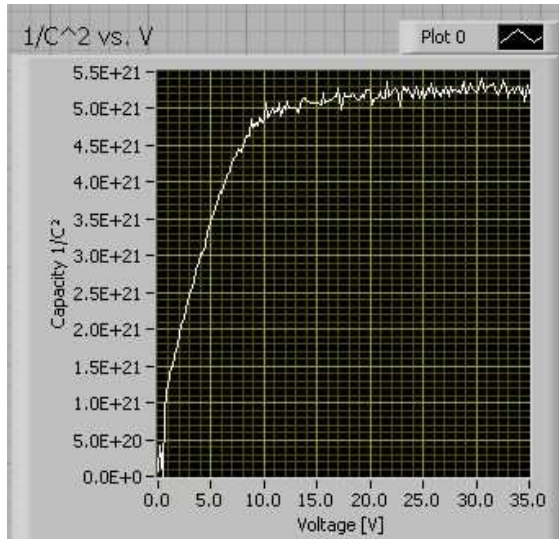
IET Warsaw

- Contact established with *Institute for Electron Technology* already three years ago
- They have experience with SOI and chip production, but not with fully depleted devices yet.
- Goal: develop test structures based on CMS 'half-moon', but improved
- **Three 4" wafers received from first processing batch**
- **Results look promising**

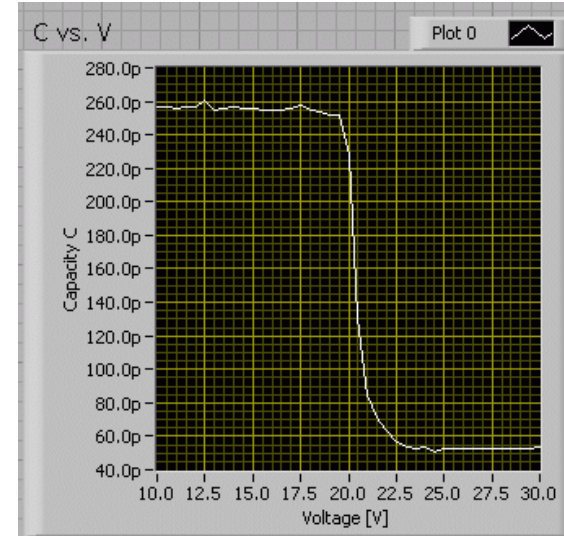


IET Warsaw Results

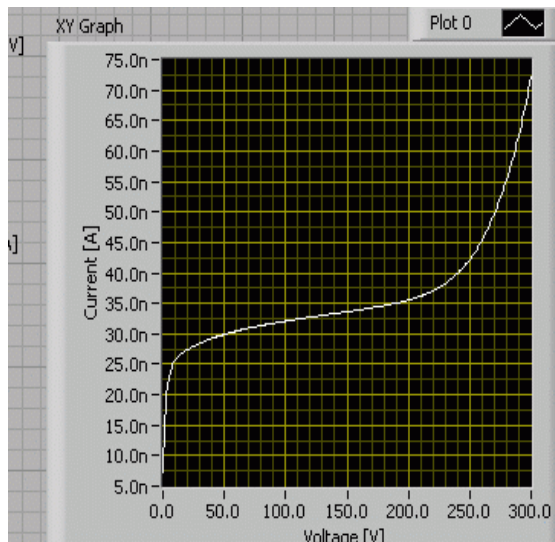
CV Diode:



CV MOS:



IV:



- CV Diode: $V_{\text{depletion}} = 8 \text{ V}$
- CV MOS: $V_{\text{flatband}} = 21 \text{ V}$
- IV: $I_{\text{dark}} @ 200 \text{ V} = 35 \text{ nA}$

Next step:

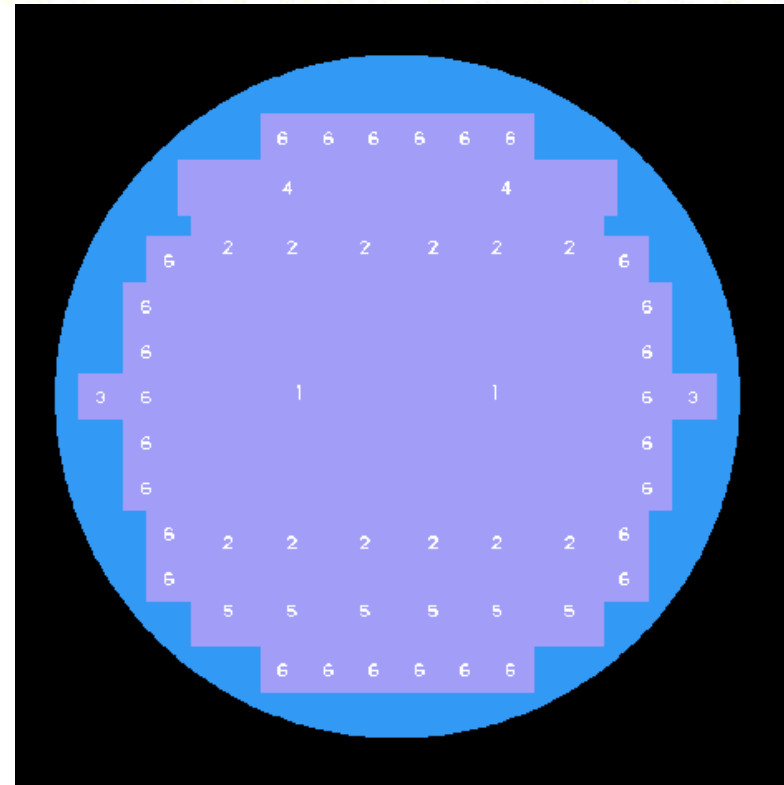
- Design and production of test structures for dual metal layer

VTT (Finland)

- VTT is a large Finnish national research center
- Start of collaboration in December 2007 with goal to develop detectors

Status:

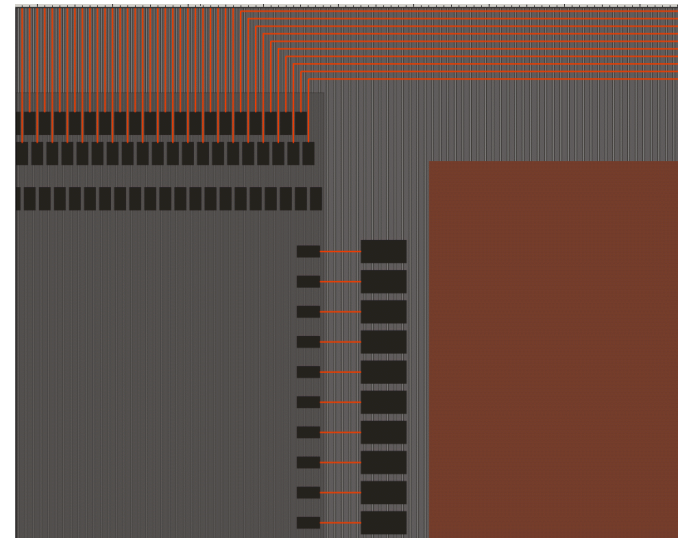
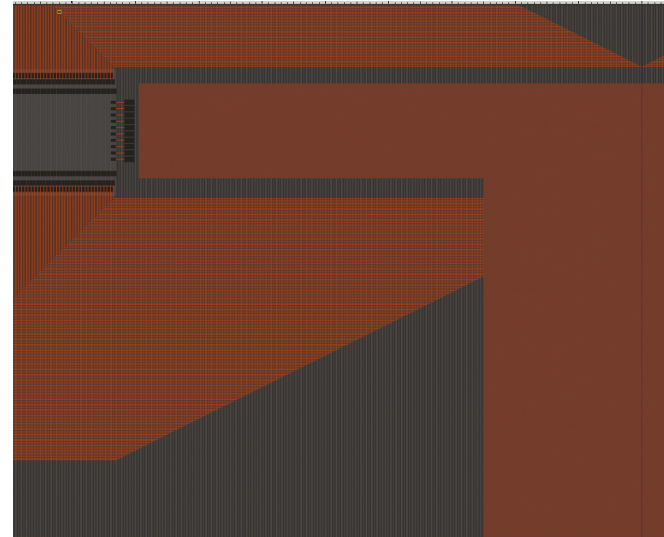
- Design ready
- Two main sensors on 4" wafer
 - One sensor DC coupled
 - Other AC coupled with FOXFET biasing
 - Vienna provided CMS-like test structures
- Processing ongoing
- We are waiting for the first wafers by end of the year
- **See talk by Simo Eraenen (*Torino SiLC meeting Dec 2008*).**



1. **MAIN DETECTOR, 5 X 5 SQCM**
2. *MEDIPIX2, 1.5 X 1.5 SQCM*
3. ALIGNMENT MARKS, 1 X 1 SQCM
4. **HALF MOON TEST STRUCTURE**
5. EDGELESS TEST STRUCTURES, 1.5 X 1.5 SQCM
6. BABY DETECTORS, 1 X 1 SQCM

ON Semiconductor

- Company located in Czech republic, former name “Tesla”
- High wafer throughput
 - 4” and 6” production line running
- Experience already with Delphi and Atlas Pixel detectors
- First contact established
- Agreement to design and build **dual-metal-layer test structures detectors** with them

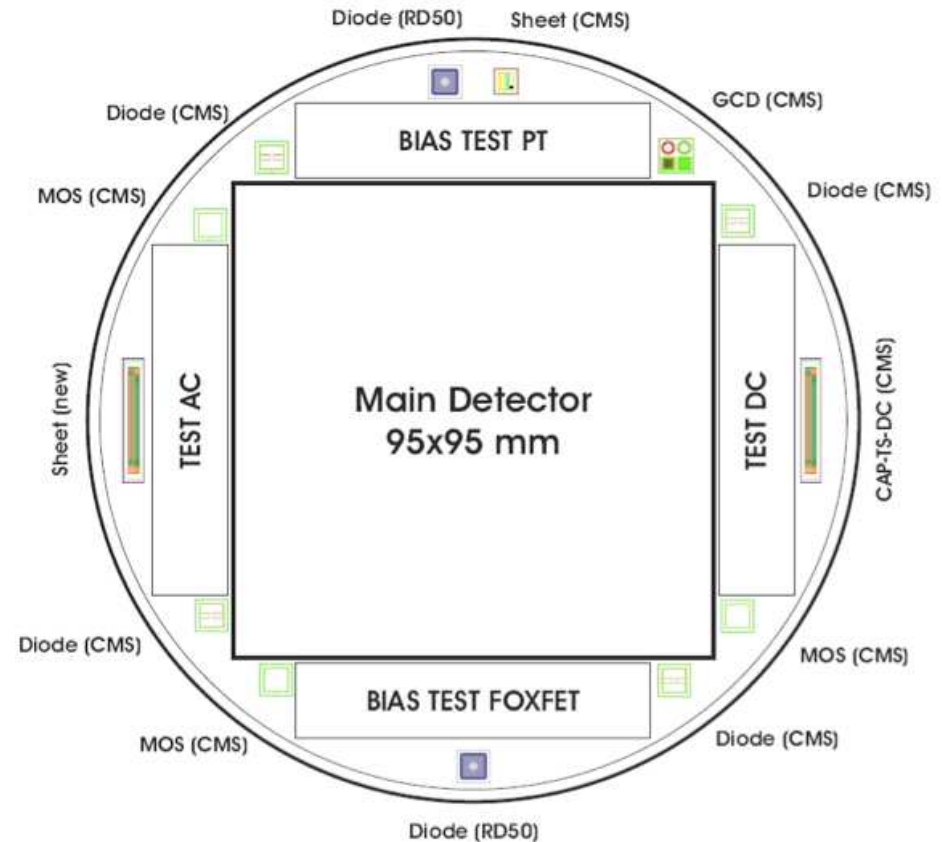




Measurement results on new SiLC HPK sensors

HPK Sensors Order (1)

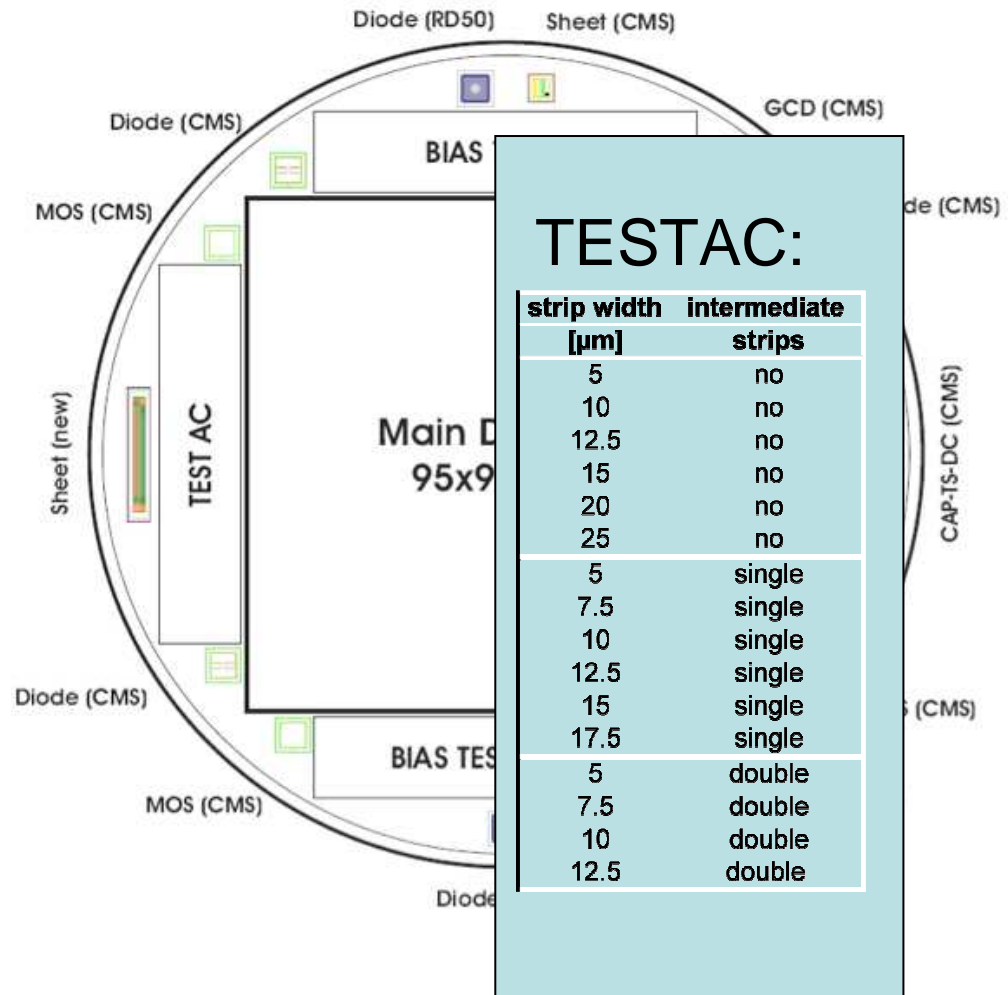
- Single-sided AC coupled SSD
- **Sensor size:** 91,5 x 91,5 mm² ($\pm 0,04$ mm)
- **Wafer thickness:** approx. 320 μ m
- **Resistivity:** such that depletion voltage: 50 V < V_{depl} < 100 Volt
- **Leakage current:** < 10 μ A per sensor
- **Biasing scheme:** poly-Silicon Resistor with 20 M Ω (± 5 M Ω)
- **Number of strips:** 1792 (= 14 x 128)
- **Strip pitch:** 50 μ m pitch, without intermediate strips
- **Strip width:** 12.5 μ m
- **Dielectric Structure:** Oxide (SiO₂) + Nitride (Si₃N₄) between p+ and aluminium strips.
- 2 **bond pads** on each side of the strip
- 1 **probe pad** on each side of the strip (contact to p+)



HPK Sensors Order (2)

Test structures:

- BIASTEST FOXFET and punch-through
 - 128 channels with pitch=50um
 - with different biasing schemes
- TESTAC and TESTDC
 - 256 strips with pitch=50um
 - Multi-geometry test structures with different strip widths and different intermediate strips
 - Will be used to test coupling, C_{int}



HPK Sensor Order (3)

We ordered:

- 30 “normal sensors”
- 5 “alignment sensors”
- Plus all associated test structures

Timeline:

- 1st discussion with HPK during VCI'07 in Vienna (February)
- 12 July 2007: Design ready
- October 2007: Delivery

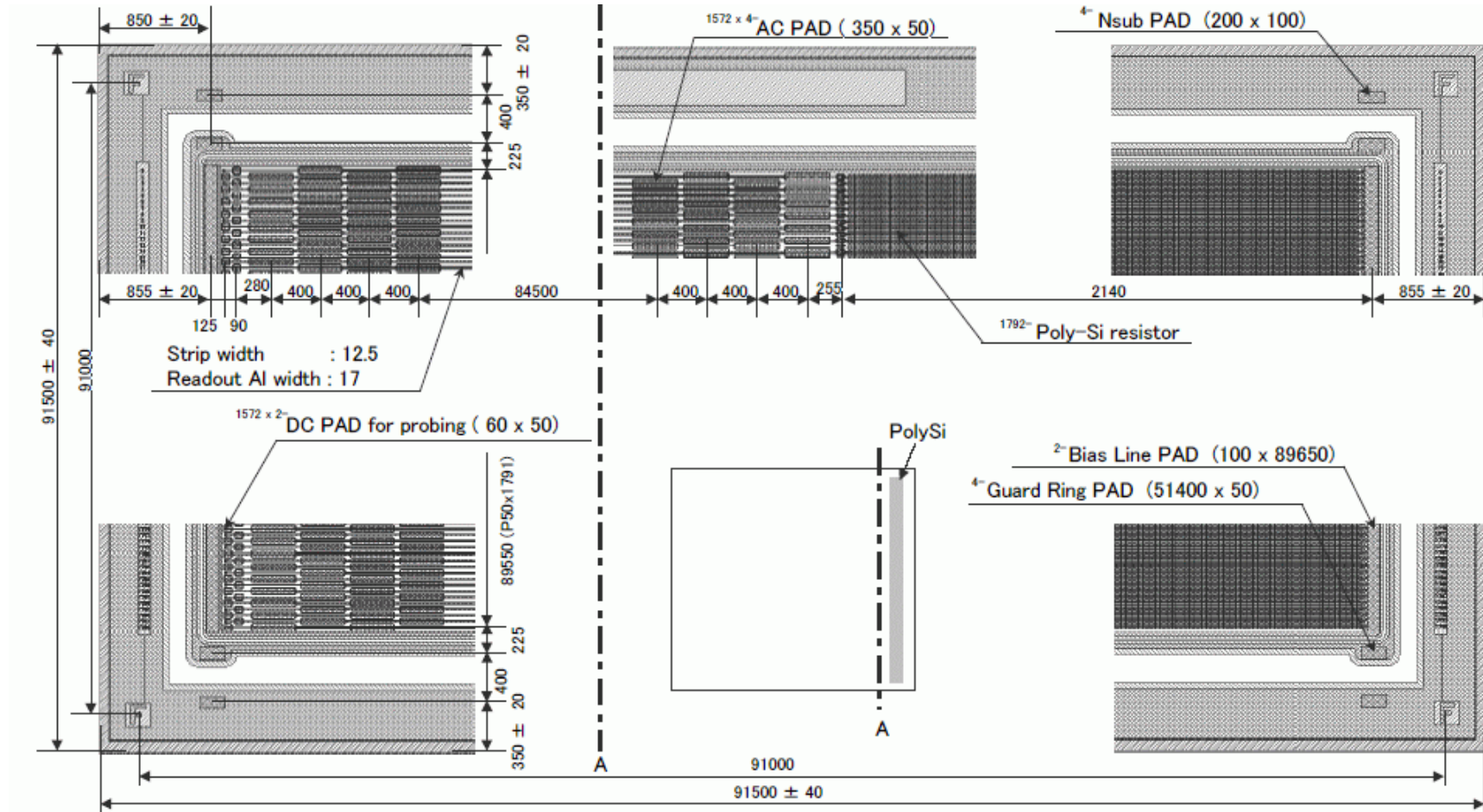
What we got so far:

- 30 “normal sensor”
- 2 have been used for Testbeam in October

We tested:

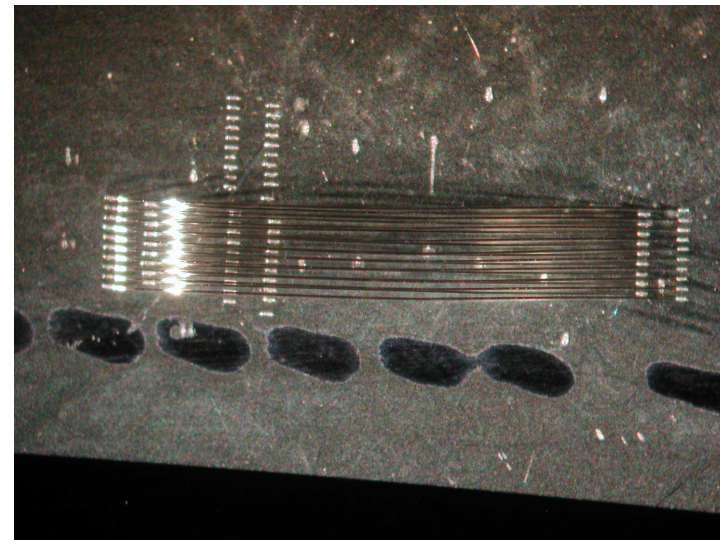
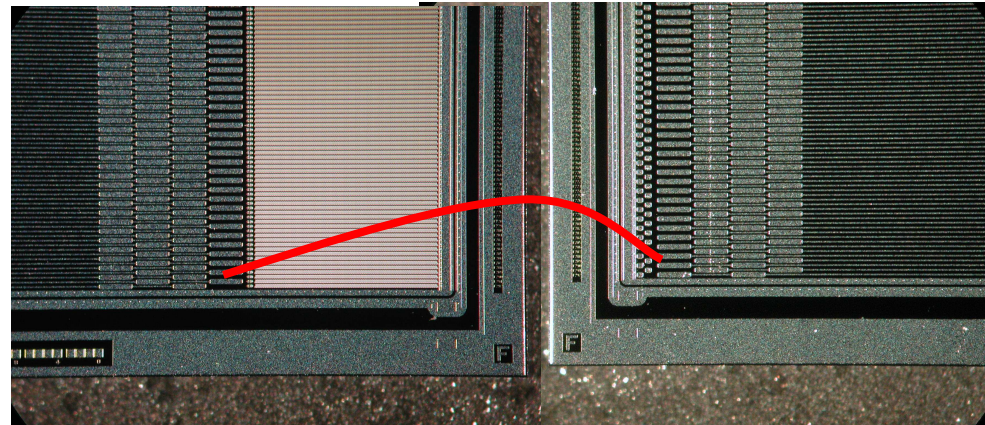
- 28 sensors have been tested for IV and CV in Vienna,
- 10 have been shipped to Karlsruhe (IV, CV was repeated)
- Stripscan:
 - 1 sensor in Karlsruhe
 - 1 sensor in Vienna
- Strip Scan Parameters
 - strip leakage current I_{strip}
 - poly-silicon resistor R_{poly}
 - coupling capacitance C_{ac}
 - dielectric current I_{diel}

Main Sensor Layout for Reference

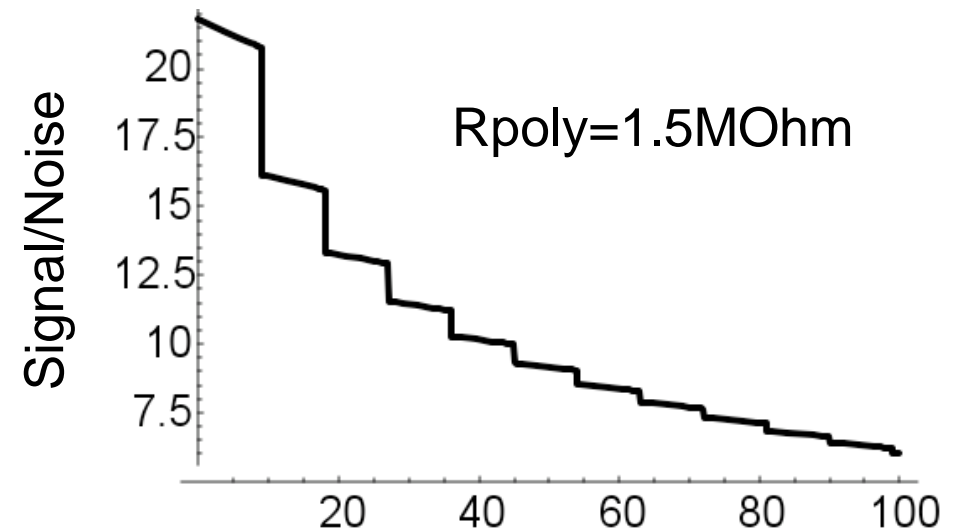
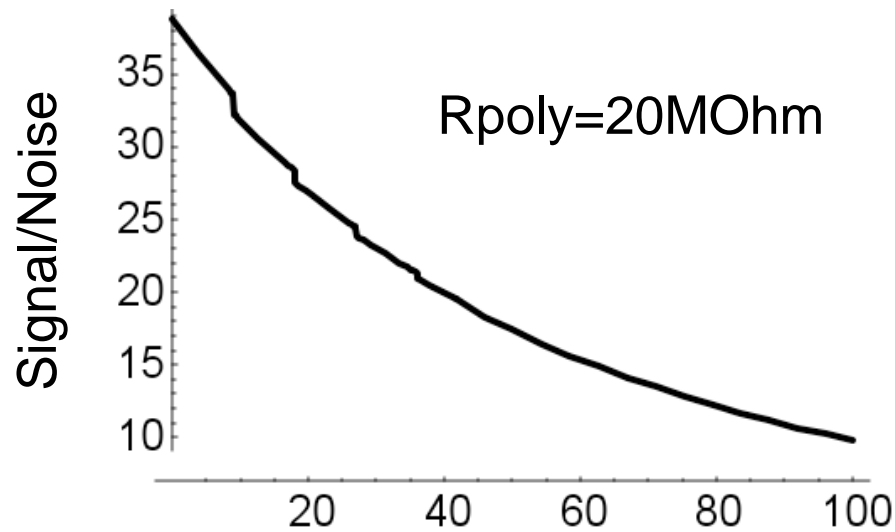
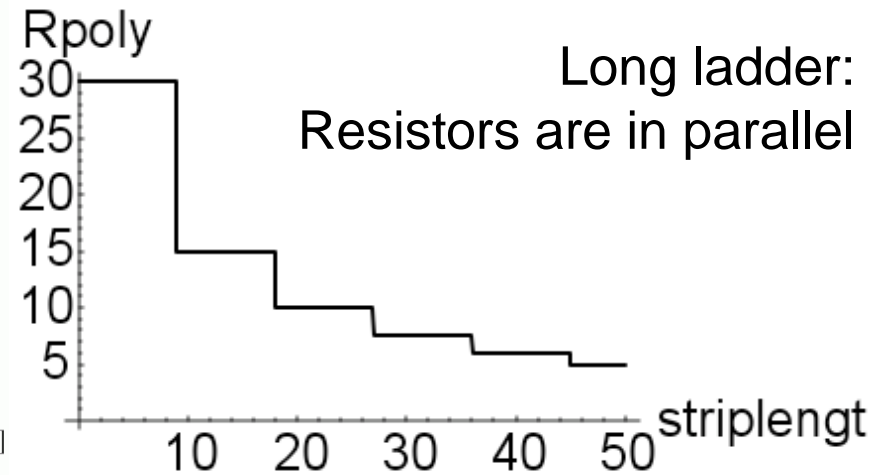
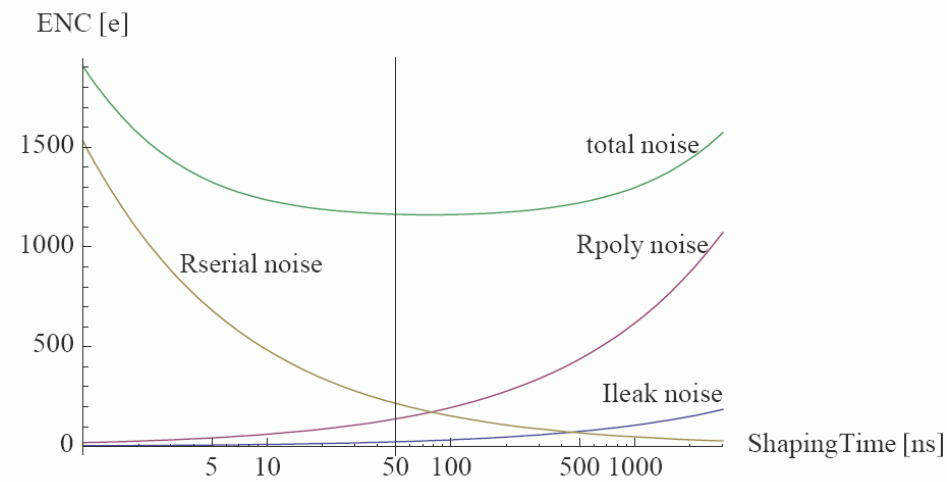


What we learned already: poly-Si

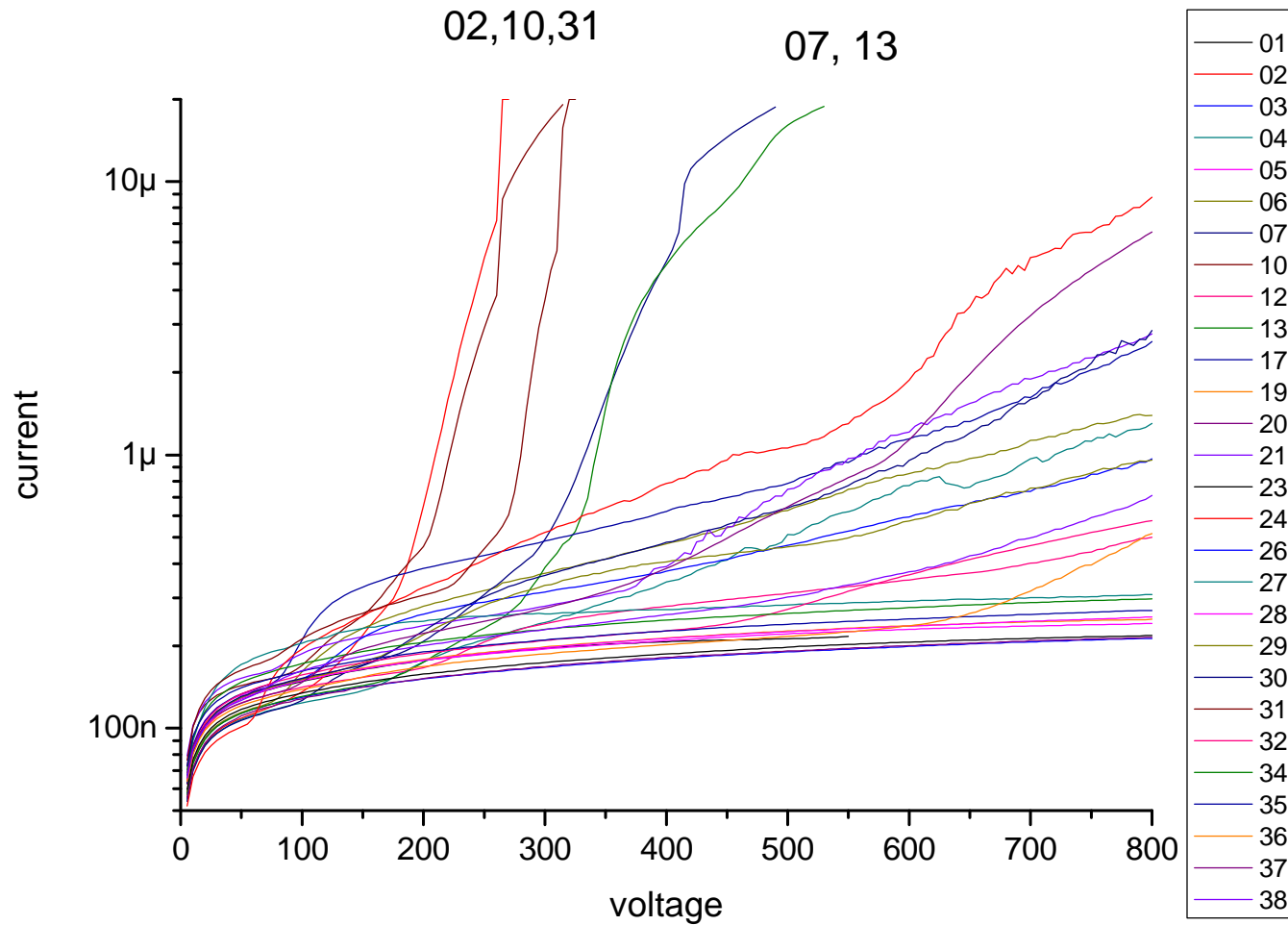
- Bonding problem for daisy-chained sensors
 - Because of the length of the poly-resistor the wire bonds connecting both sensors must be **5mm** long (at 50 μ m pitch)
- We did some bonding tests and this seems to be a problem.
 - Bonds bend and touch each other
- Flipped sensors
 - No alternative since “near” sensor needs to be bonded on both sides
- Other alternative: use punch-through or FOXFEST biasing, since it requires less space (achievable resistor value still unclear)



Noise considerations for different Resistors



IV Results



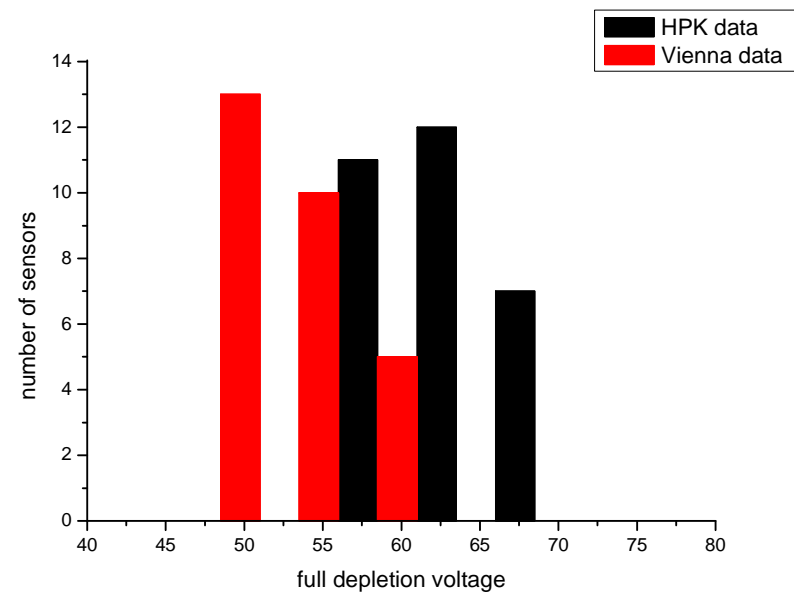
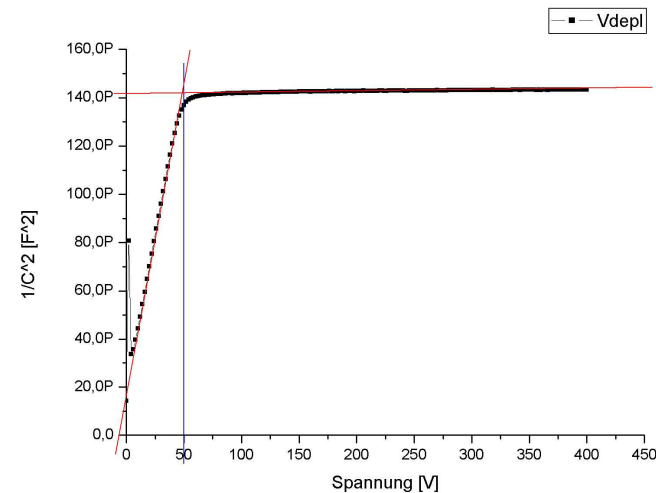
IV results for reference

- IV tested up to 800V
- A large fraction of the sensors show some signs of breakthroughs
- Breakthroughs:
 - three sensors below 450V
 - one below 300V
- No problem at all, since operating voltage < 100V
- However, CMS sensors were (slightly) better

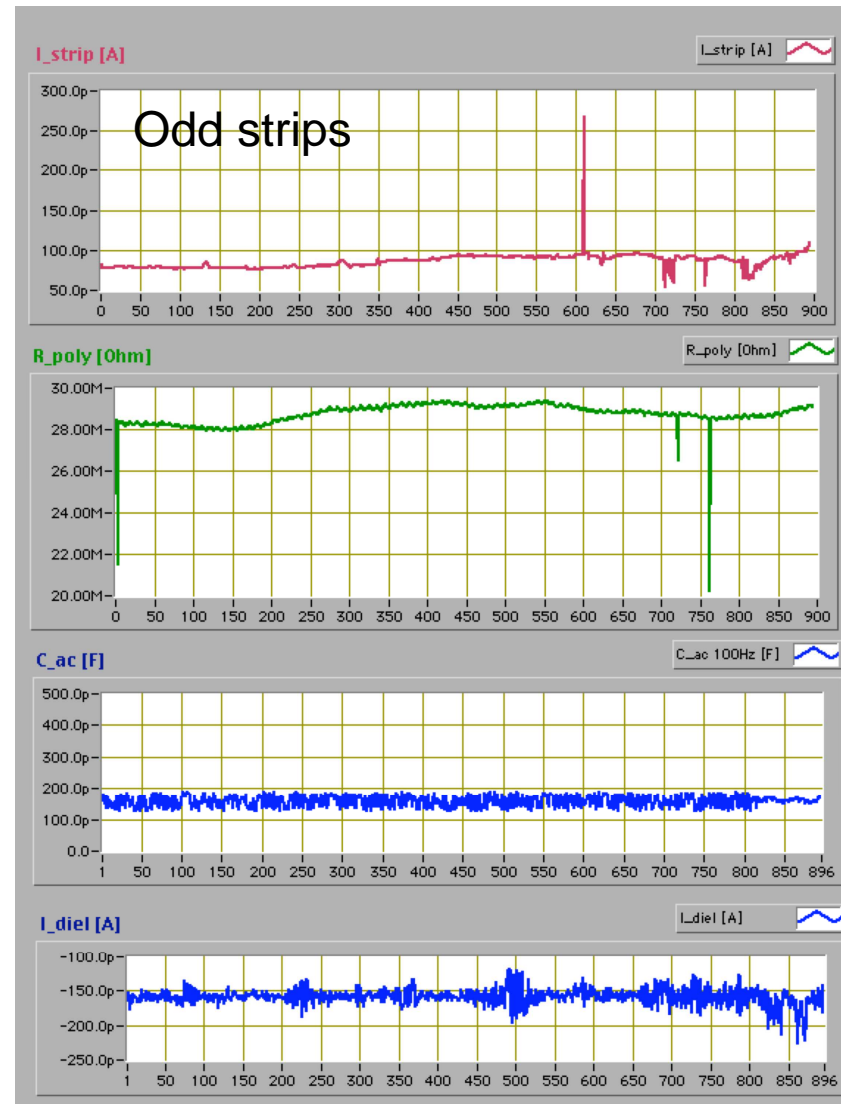
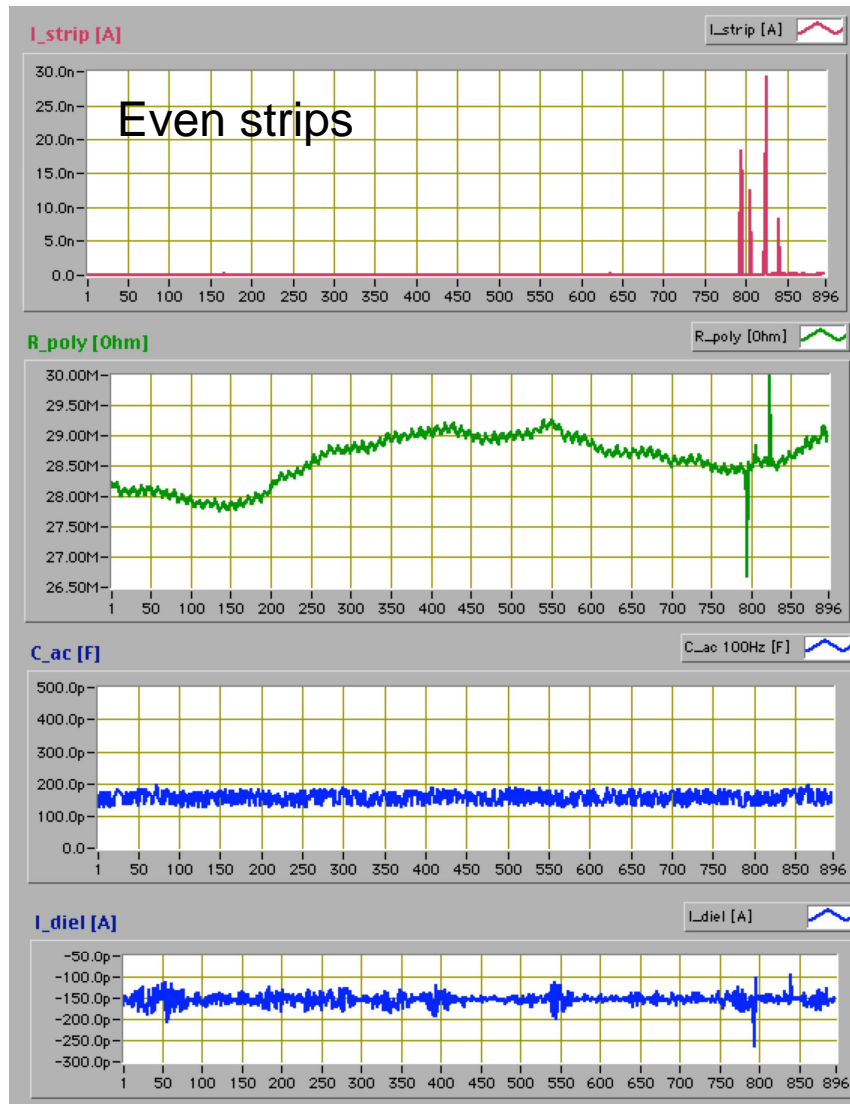
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CV Results

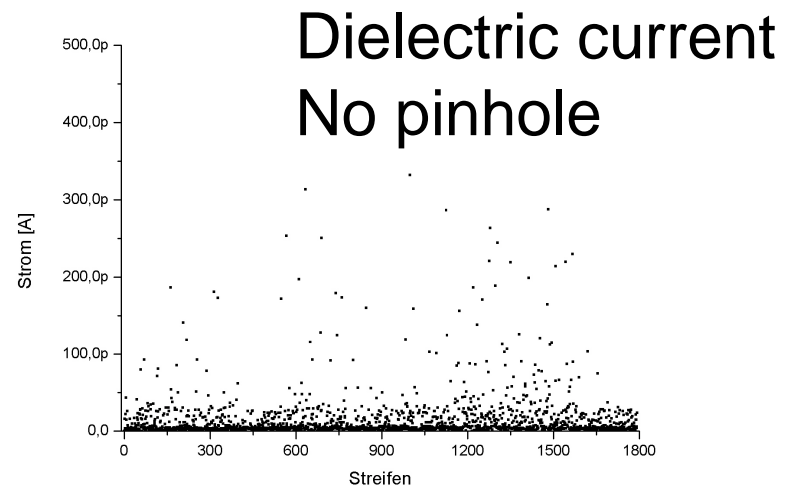
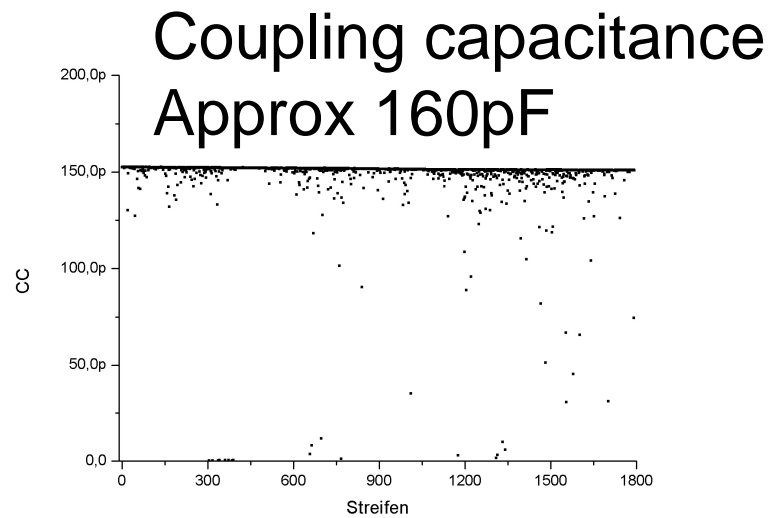
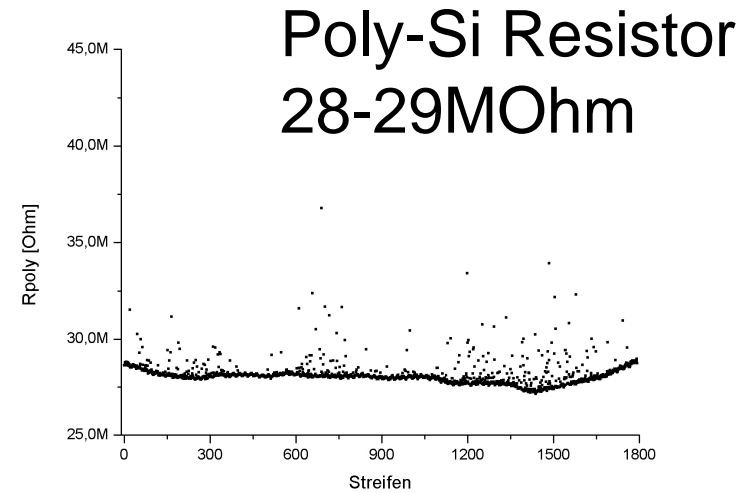
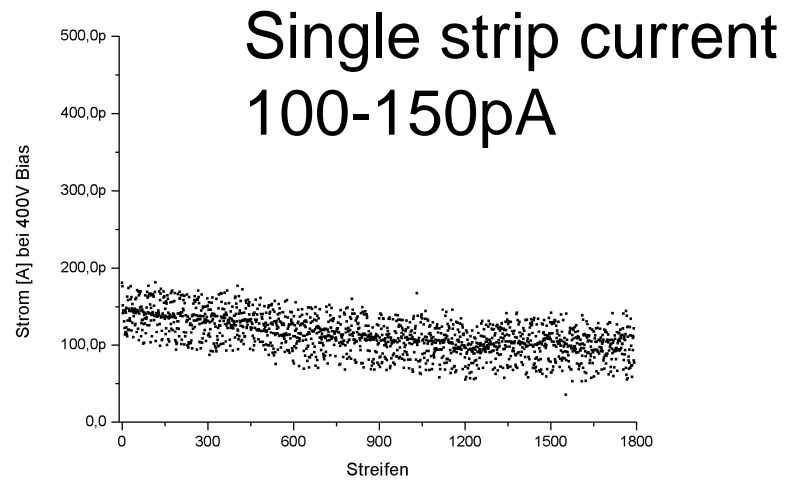
- We requested a resistivity such that depletion voltage is between 50 and 100V
- All sensors fully deplete between 47-58V, average at 52.5V
 - Resistivity is **6.7 kOhmcm** (rough estimate since more exact measurement on TS diode possible)
 - Safe operating voltage: 70-90V



Strip Scan Results (Vienna)



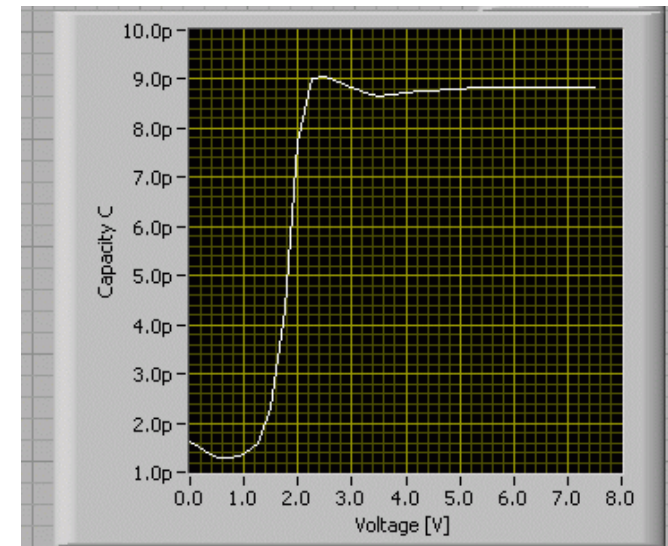
Strip Scan Results (Karlsruhe)



Strip Scan Results (3)

- Measurements exactly identically between Karlsruhe and Vienna
- $I_{\text{strip}} = 137 \text{ pA}$
- $R_{\text{poly}} = 28.65 \text{ MOhm}$
- $C_{\text{ac}} = 156 \text{ pF}$
- $I_{\text{diel}} < 160 \text{ pA}$
- Coupling Capacitance (C_{ac})
 - SiLC: 1.42 pF/cm/um (on sensor)
 - CMS: 1.74 pF/cm/um (on TS)
(from Sensor measurement oxide is 25% thicker than CMS; questionable to compare)
- Interstrip Capacitance
 - SiLC: 0.94 pF/cm
 - CMS: 0.84 pf/cm
 - Larger because of narrower strips

Cint



Bias voltage



Proposal for a beam test

Proposal for a beam test

- TESTAC and TESTDC structures have
 - 256 strips with pitch=50um
 - Multi-geometry test structures with different strip widths and different intermediate strips
 - Could be used to test resolution in a testbeam
- What we need:
 - Beam time at SPS for 1 week
 - Has been requested for June 2008
 - **Has been approved by SPSC May 30 to June 4**
 - EUDET Pixel Telescope + TLU Box
 - APV front end hybrid + 2 APV25 chips (available in Vienna)
 - APV readout system (available in Vienna)
- What we will learn
 - Which geometry is the ideal to reach best resolution

Summary/Outlook

- Sensor Producers
 - IET Warsaw: 1st wafers OK, 2nd iteration about to start; VTT: no news
 - ON Semi: collaboration just started, see next Talk
- Hamamatsu Results
 - Sensor electrically OK; as expected
 - Geometric problem with poly-Si resistor (too large to bond)
 - Test structures (and alignment sensors) still missing
- Vendor qualification procedure
 - HPK successfully qualified once all measurements finished
 - Other vendors have to comply with the same procedure
 - New vendors have to undergo the same procedure
 - At least one iteration of sample batch
 - Preproduction
 - Final production
- Once HPK test structures are available
 - In-depth measurements possible
 - Beam test at SPS testing resolution of different geometries



End.

Thanks for your attention.

SilC work program for sensor R&D

- Step 1 (2007)
 - Use long strips (50 μm pitch)
 - Wafer thinning (100, 200, 300 μm)
 - Test new readout chips (DC coupling, power cycling)
 - Improve standardized test structures and test setups
- Step 2a (2008-)
 - Move from pitch adapter to in-sensor-routing
 - Test crosstalk, capacitive load of those sensors
- Step 2b (2008-)
 - Test 6" double sided sensors
- Step 2c (2008-)
 - 8" (12") single sided DC wafer

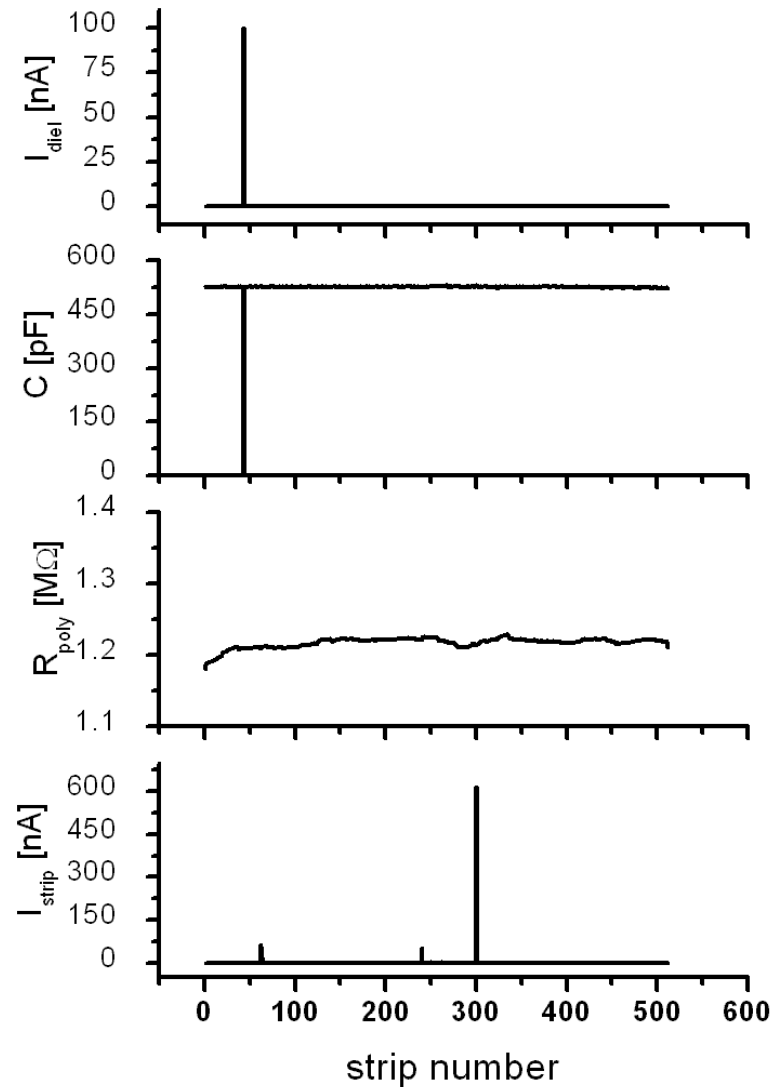
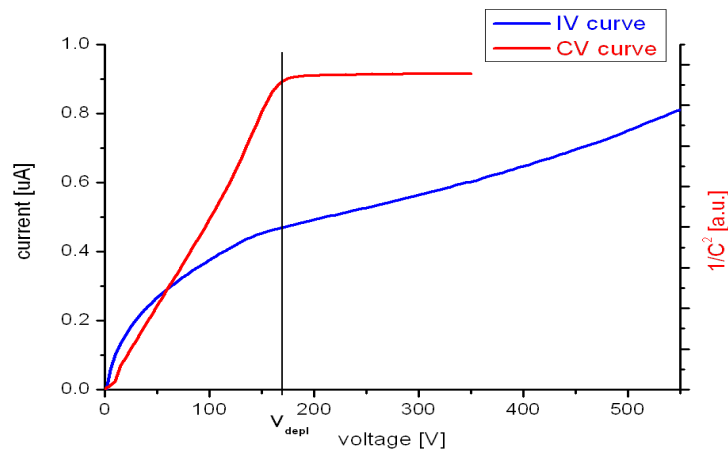
Step 1 and 2a:

- Bump-bondable 128-channel chip available end 2007
- HPK agreed to provide a sensor design
- SiLC adapts strip to pad area
- HPK will process the sensor
- SiLC (Paris) provides chip
- HPK could bump bond chip to sensor
 - HPK is very interested to strengthen inhouse bumpbonding
 - In Bump
 - Flipchip
 - Stud-bonding (Jean-Francois)
- Testing begins 2008

Strip-by-Strip Characterization

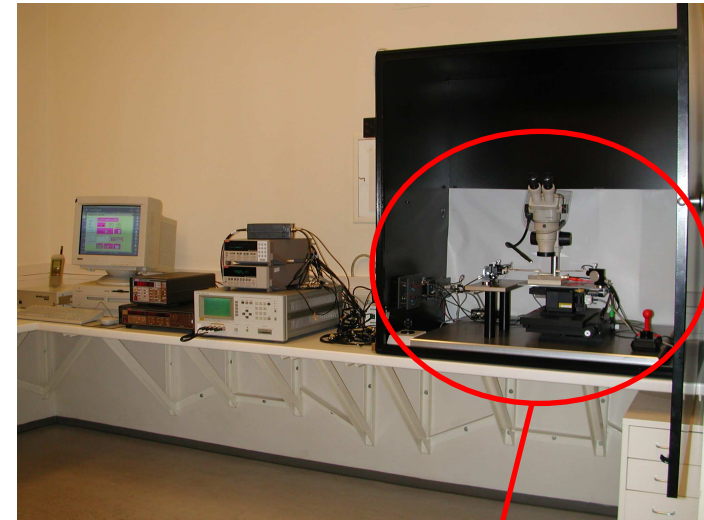
What do we test?

- Global parameters:
 - **IV-Curve:** Dark current, Breakthrough
 - **CV-Curve:** Depletion voltage, Total Capacitance
- Strip Parameters e.g.
 - strip leakage current I_{strip}
 - poly-silicon resistor R_{poly}
 - coupling capacitance C_{ac}
 - dielectric current I_{diel}



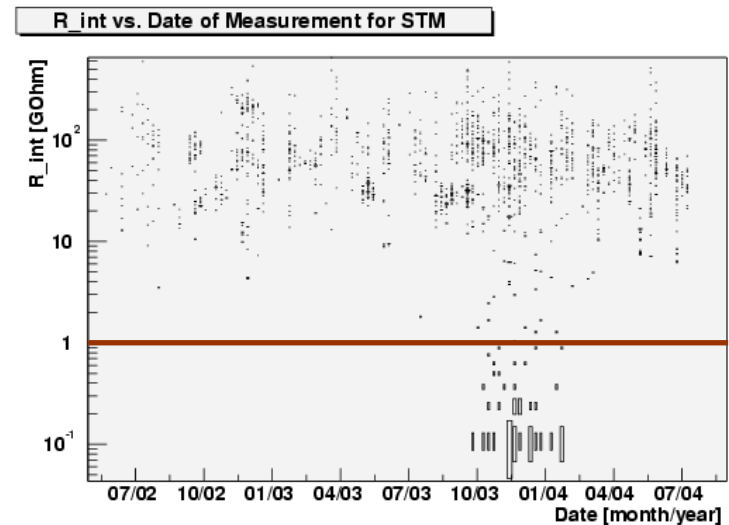
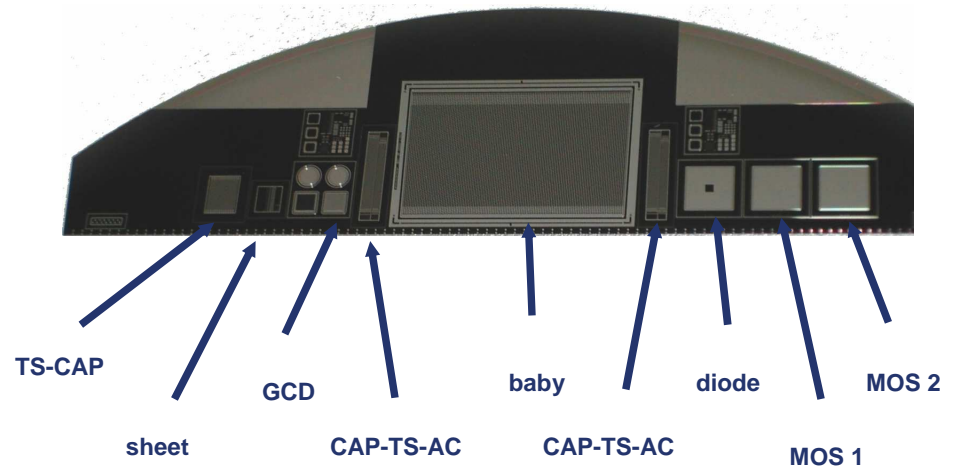
Strip-by-strip Test Setup

- Sensor in Light-tight Box
- Vacuum support jig is carrying the sensor
 - Mounted on freely movable table in X, Y and Z
- Cold chuck in Karlsruhe available
- Needles to contact sensor bias line
 - fixed relative to sensor
- Needles to contact:
 - DC pad (p⁺ implant)
 - AC pad (Metal layer)
 - Can contact ever single strip while table with sensor is moving



Process Monitoring on Test Structures

- **CMS “Standard Half moon”**
 - 9 different structures
 - Use to determine one parameter per structure
- Worked extremely well during CMS sensor production
 - Example of an identified problem can be seen in plot: low interstrip resistance
- Improved version for SiLC
 - overall size reduction
 - Structure design improvements (e.g. better sheet structure)



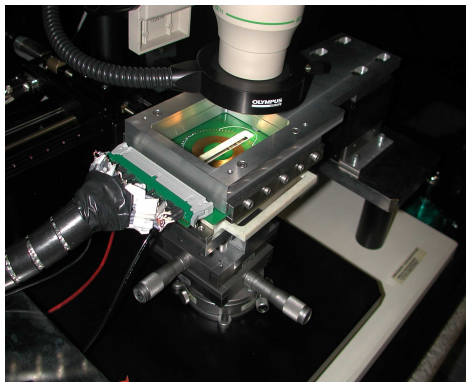
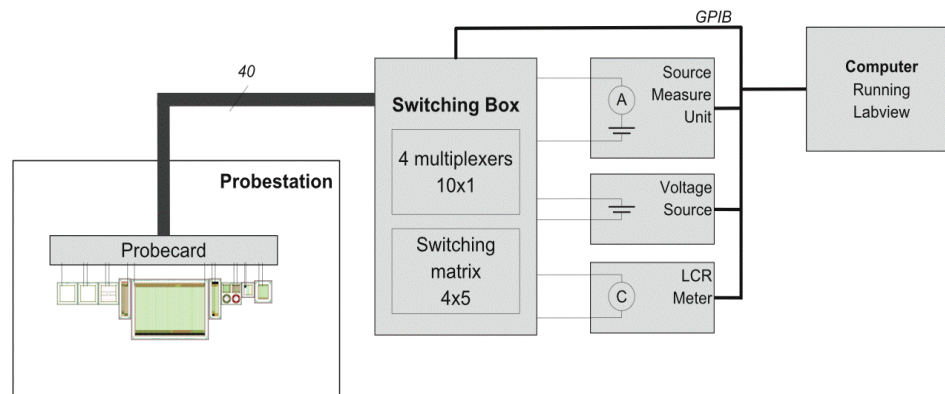
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Test Structures Description

- **TS-CAP:**
 - Coupling capacitance C_{AC} to determine oxide thickness
 - IV-Curve: breakthrough voltage of oxide
- **Sheet:**
 - Aluminium resistivity
 - p⁺-impant resistivity
 - Polysilicon resistivity
- **GCD:**
 - **G**ate **C**ontrolled **D**iode
 - IV-Curve to determine surface current $I_{surface}$
 - Characterize Si-SiO₂ interface
- **CAP-TS-AC:**
 - Inter-strip capacitance C_{int}
- **Baby-Sensor:**
 - IV-Curve for dark current
 - Breakthrough
- **CAP-TS-DC:**
 - Inter-strip Resistance R_{int}
- **Diode:**
 - CV-Curve to determine depletion voltage $V_{depletion}$
 - Calculate resistivity of silicon bulk
- **MOS:**
 - CV-Curve to extract flatband voltage $V_{flatband}$ to characterize fixed oxide charges
 - For thick interstrip oxide (MOS1)
 - For thin readout oxide (MOS2)



Test structures Measurement Setup



- Probe-card with 40 needles contacts all pads of test structures in parallel
 - Half moon fixed by vacuum
 - Micropositioner used for Alignment
 - In light-tight box with humidity and temperature control
- Instruments
 - *Source Measurement Unit (SMU)*
 - Voltage Source
 - LCR-Meter (Capacitance)
- Heart of the system: Crosspoint switching box, used to switch instruments to different needles
- Labview and GPIB used to control instruments and switching system