

Angle Resolved Differential IBIC analysis of silicon power diodes

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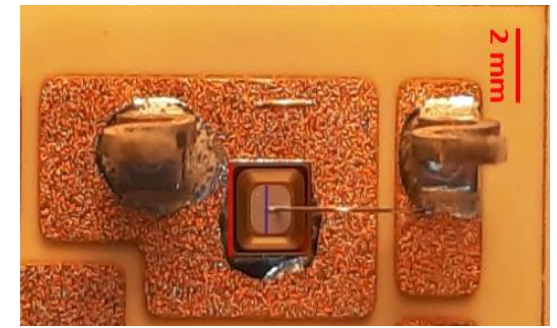


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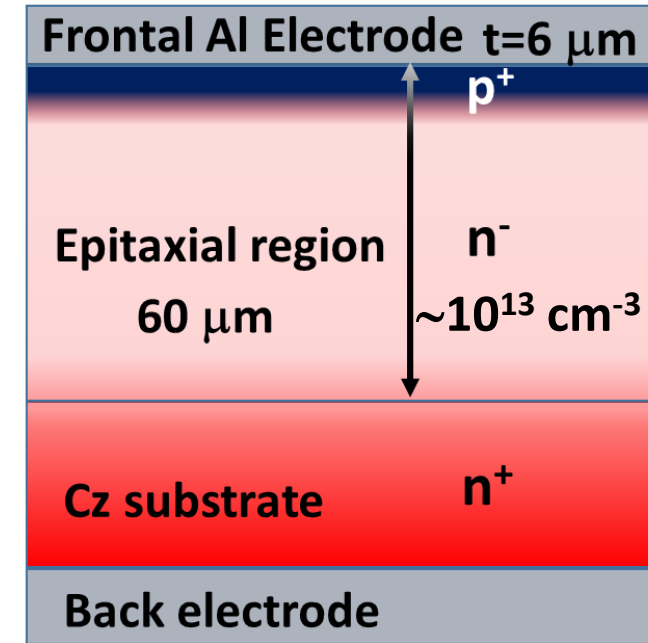
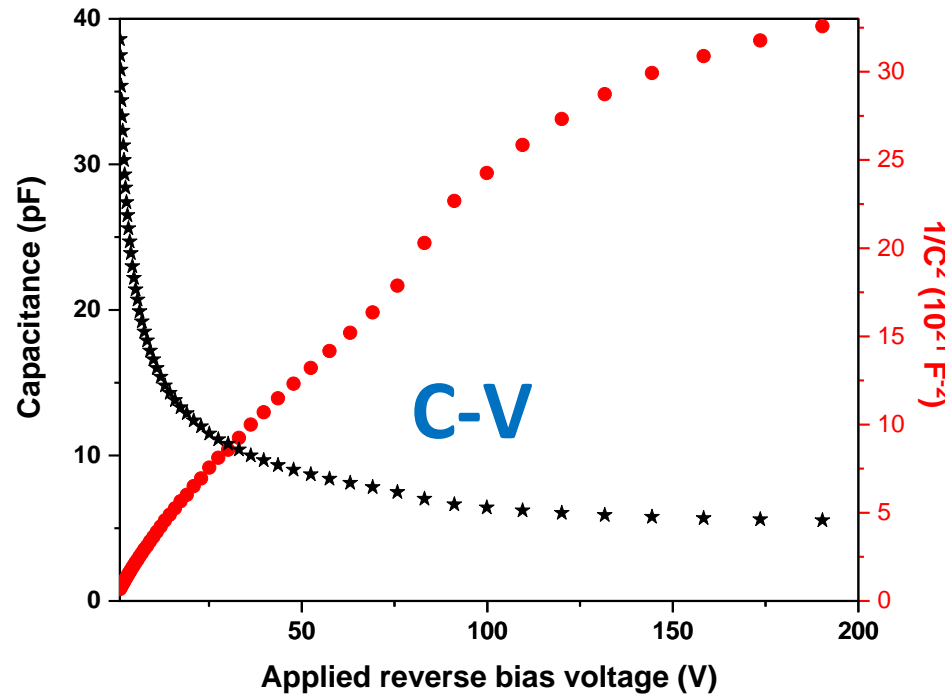
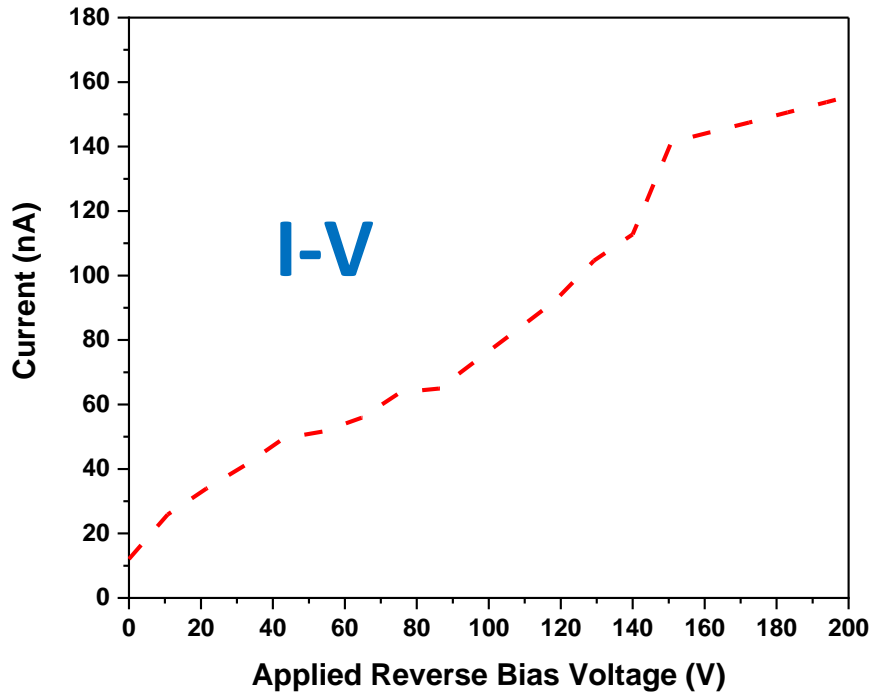
- Electronic characterization of power diodes

What: object of study

- Commercially available p-i-n power diode



Electrical characterization

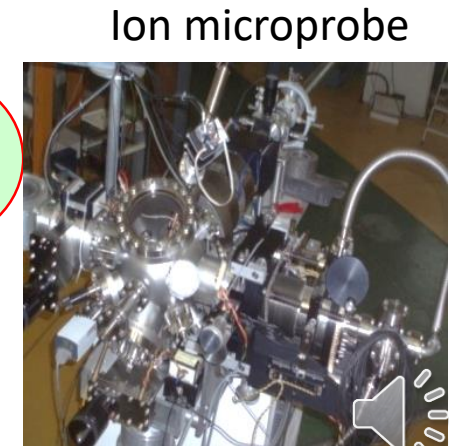
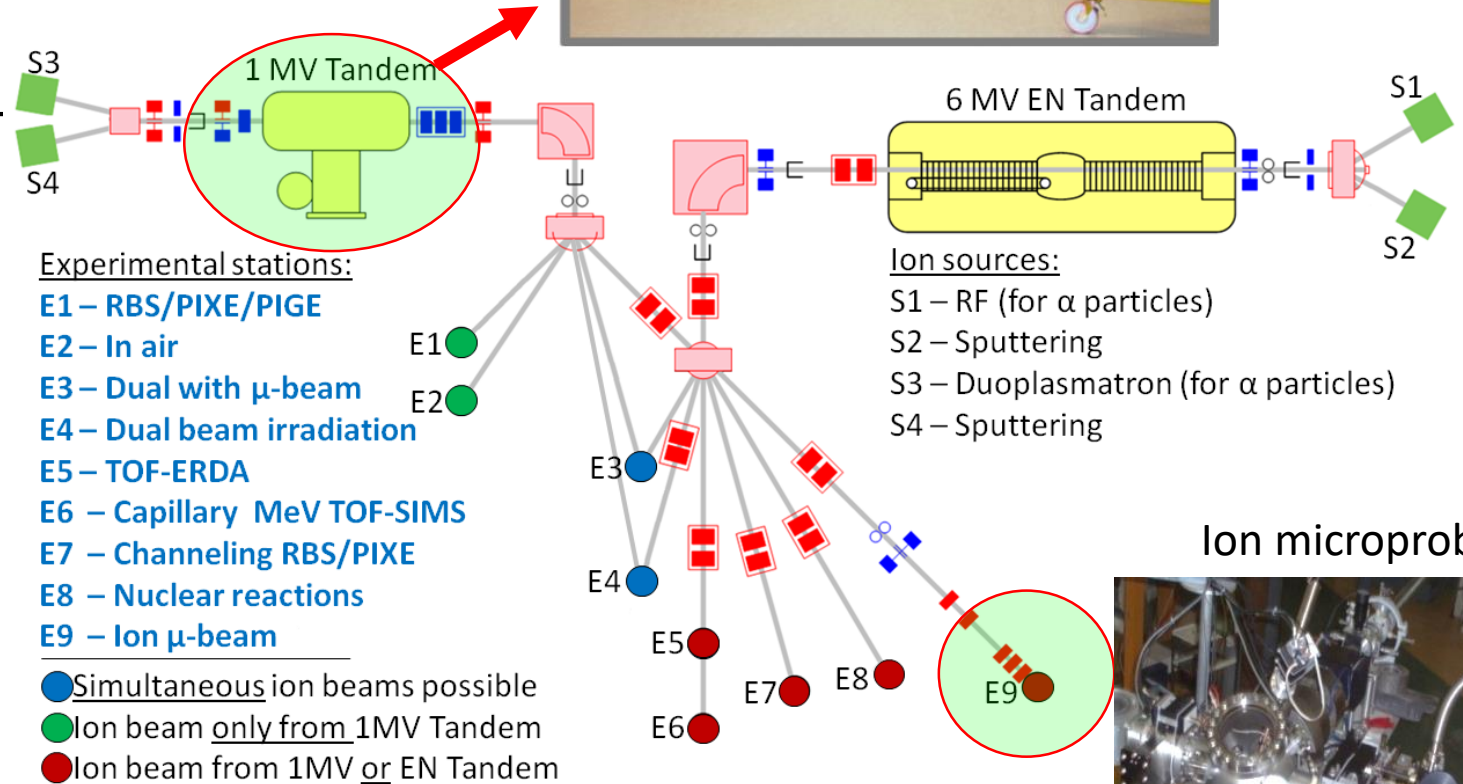


Where:



The experiments were performed at the Laboratory for Ion Beam Interactions of the Ruder Boskovic Institute in Zagreb (HR) at the **ion microbeam line** coupled to the **1.0 MeV Tandetron accelerator**

Proton microbeams 1.2, 1.5, 1.7, 2.0 MeV
Spot size < 5 μm

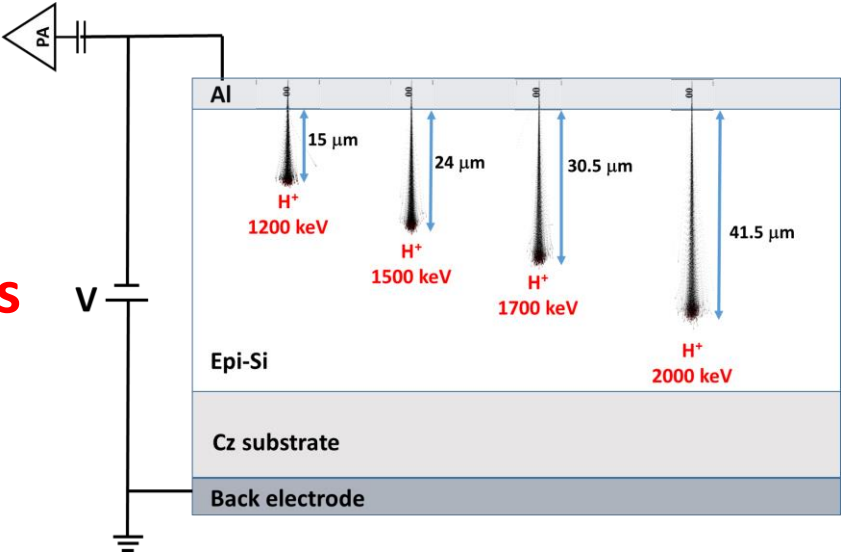


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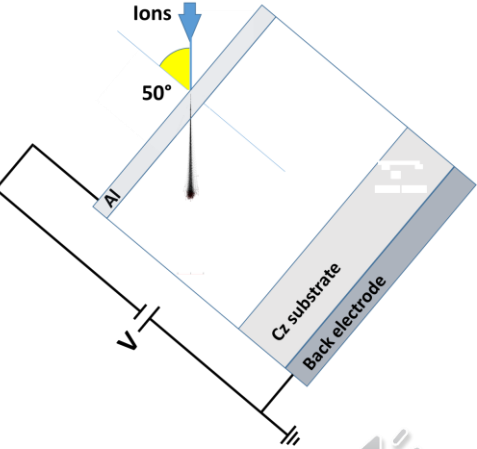
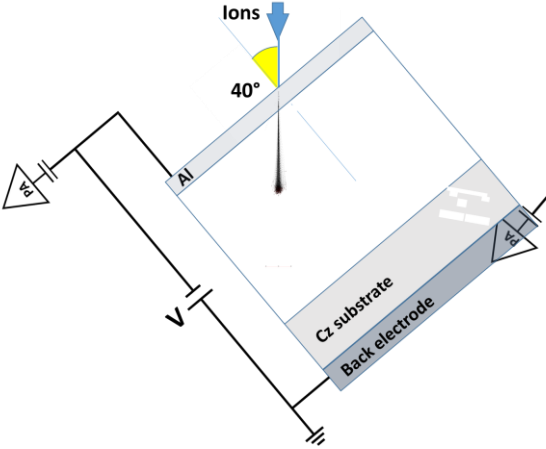
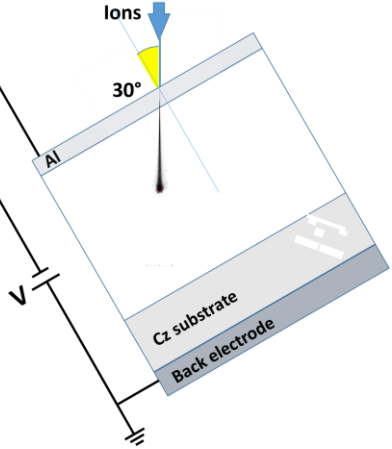
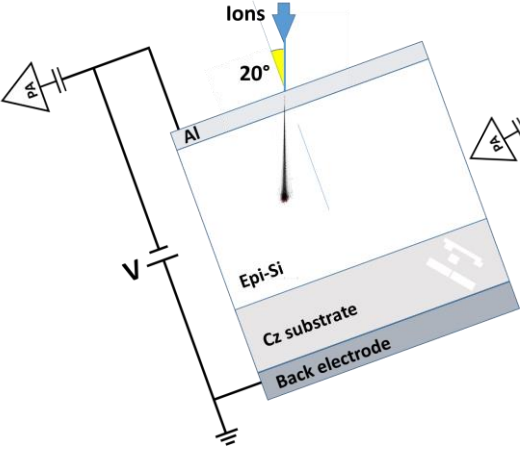
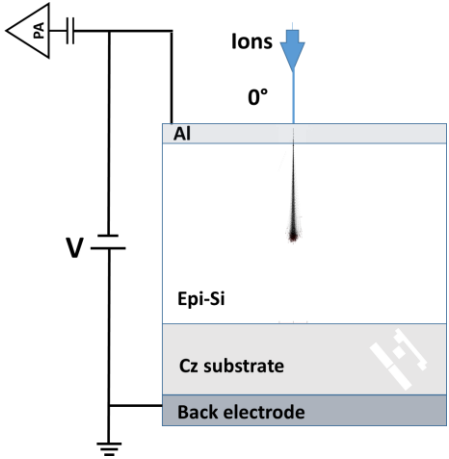
How: Polychromatic angle resolved IBIC analysis

Modulation of the probing depth by

Using different proton energies

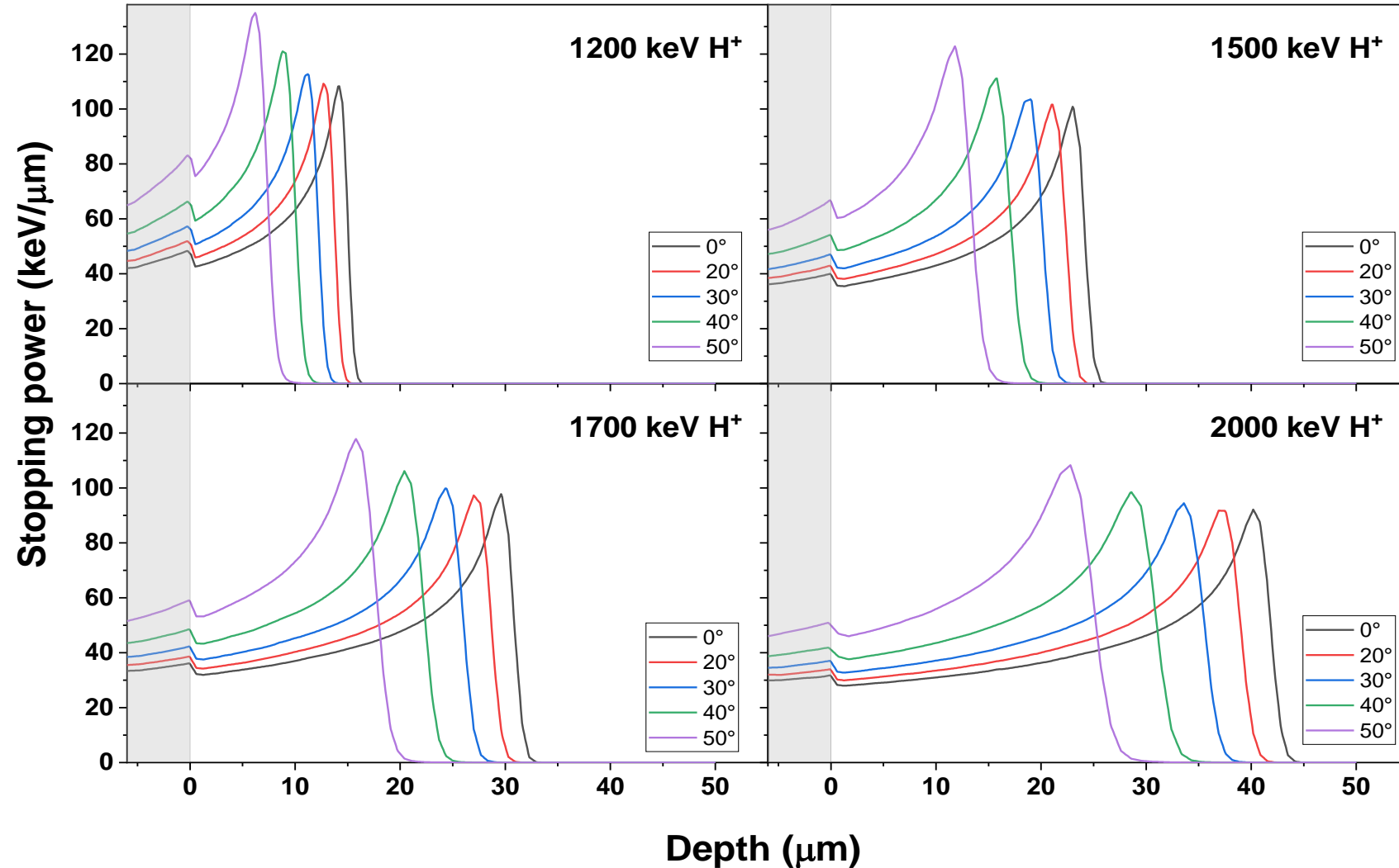


Tilting the sample with respect to the proton beam axis at different angles



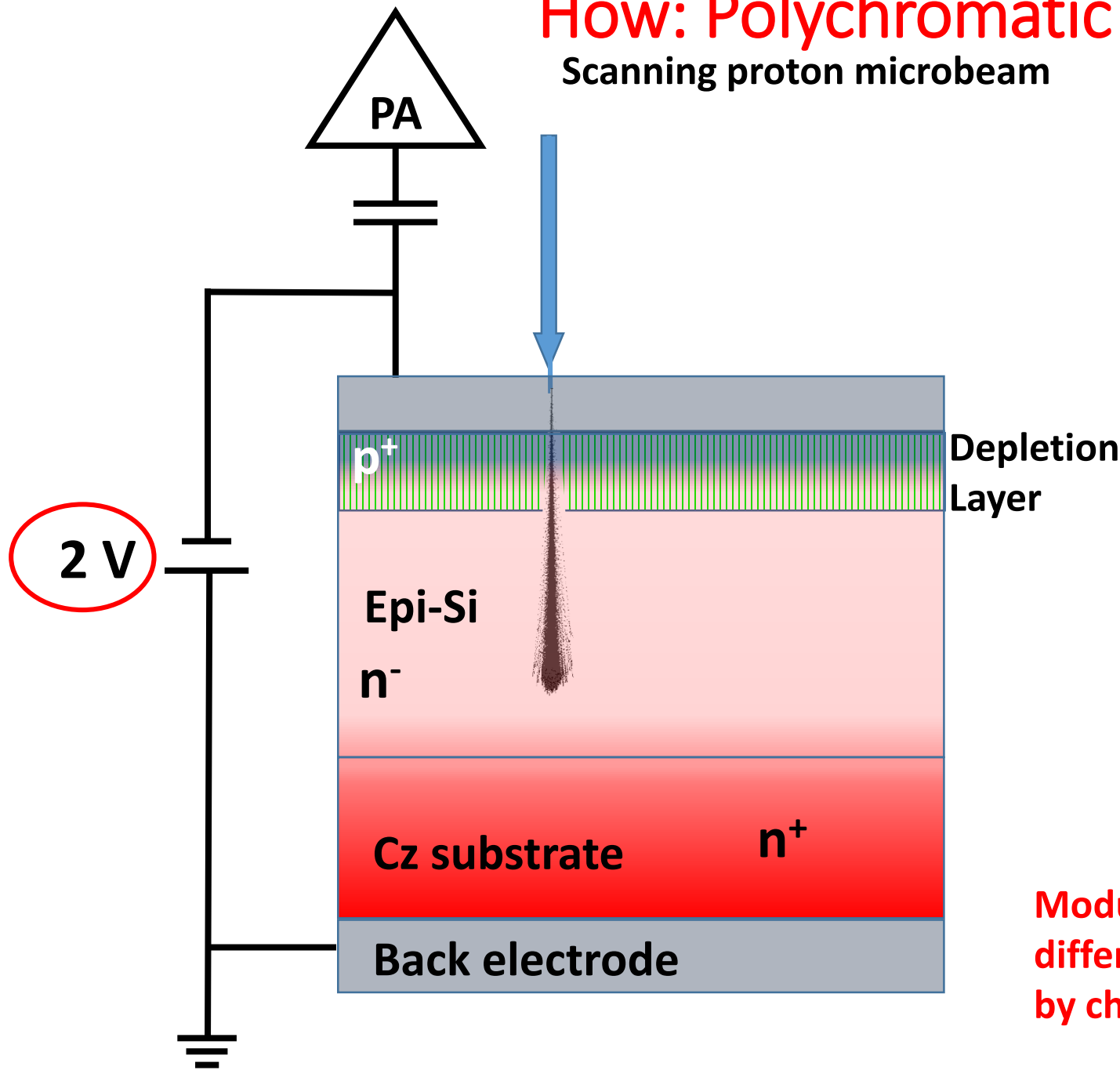
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Modulation of the carrier generation profiles by different tilting angle and different ion energies

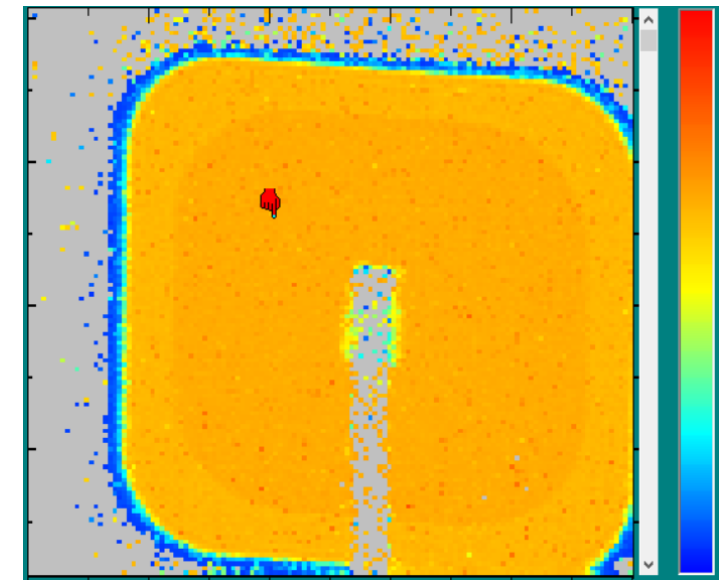


How: Polychromatic angle resolved IBIC analysis

Scanning proton microbeam



IBIC Map
1.7 MeV proton
Applied Bias = 2 V

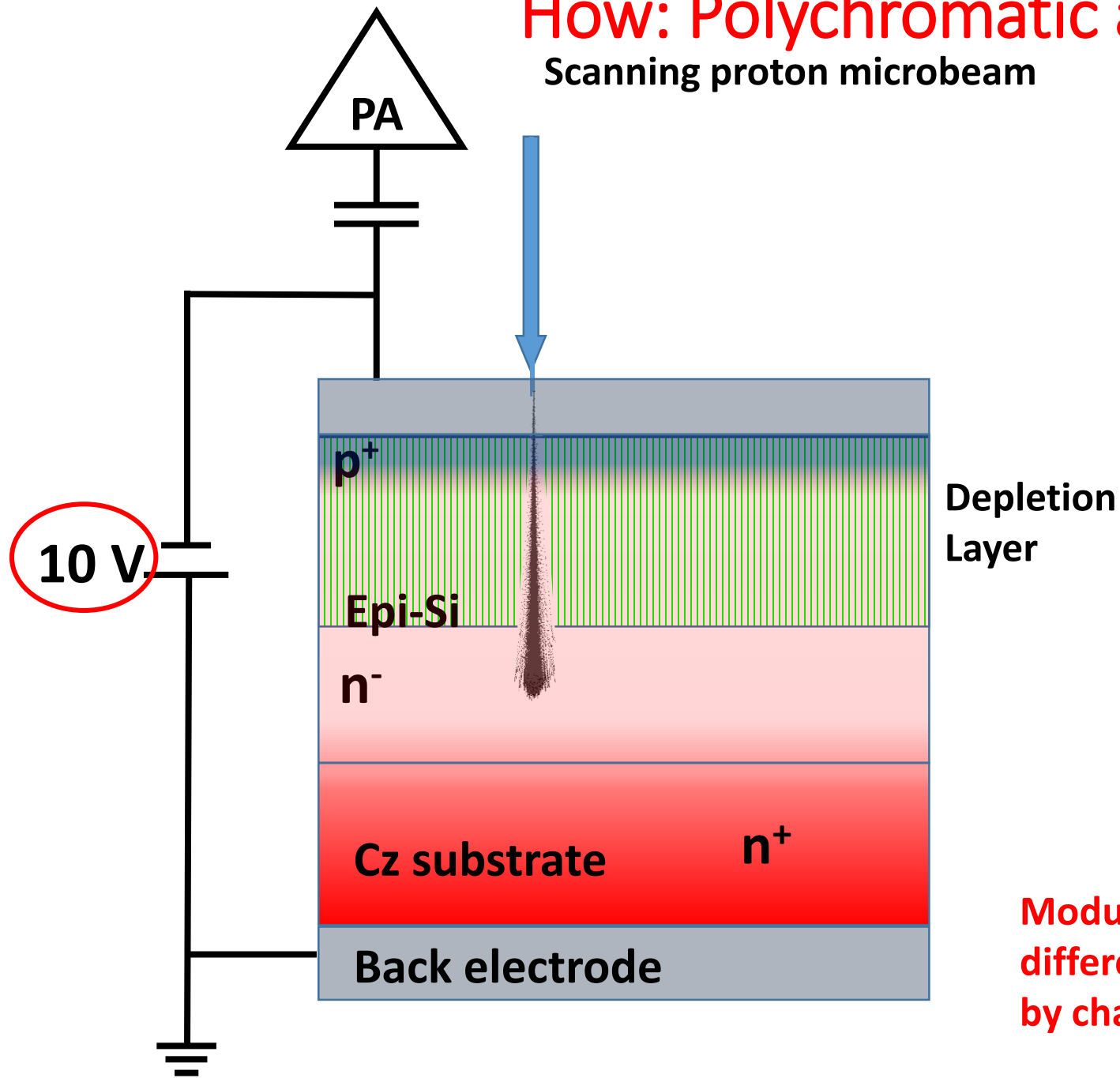


Modulation of the carrier generation profiles by different widths of the depletion region induced by changing the applied bias voltage



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IBIC Map
1.7 MeV proton
Applied Bias = 10 V

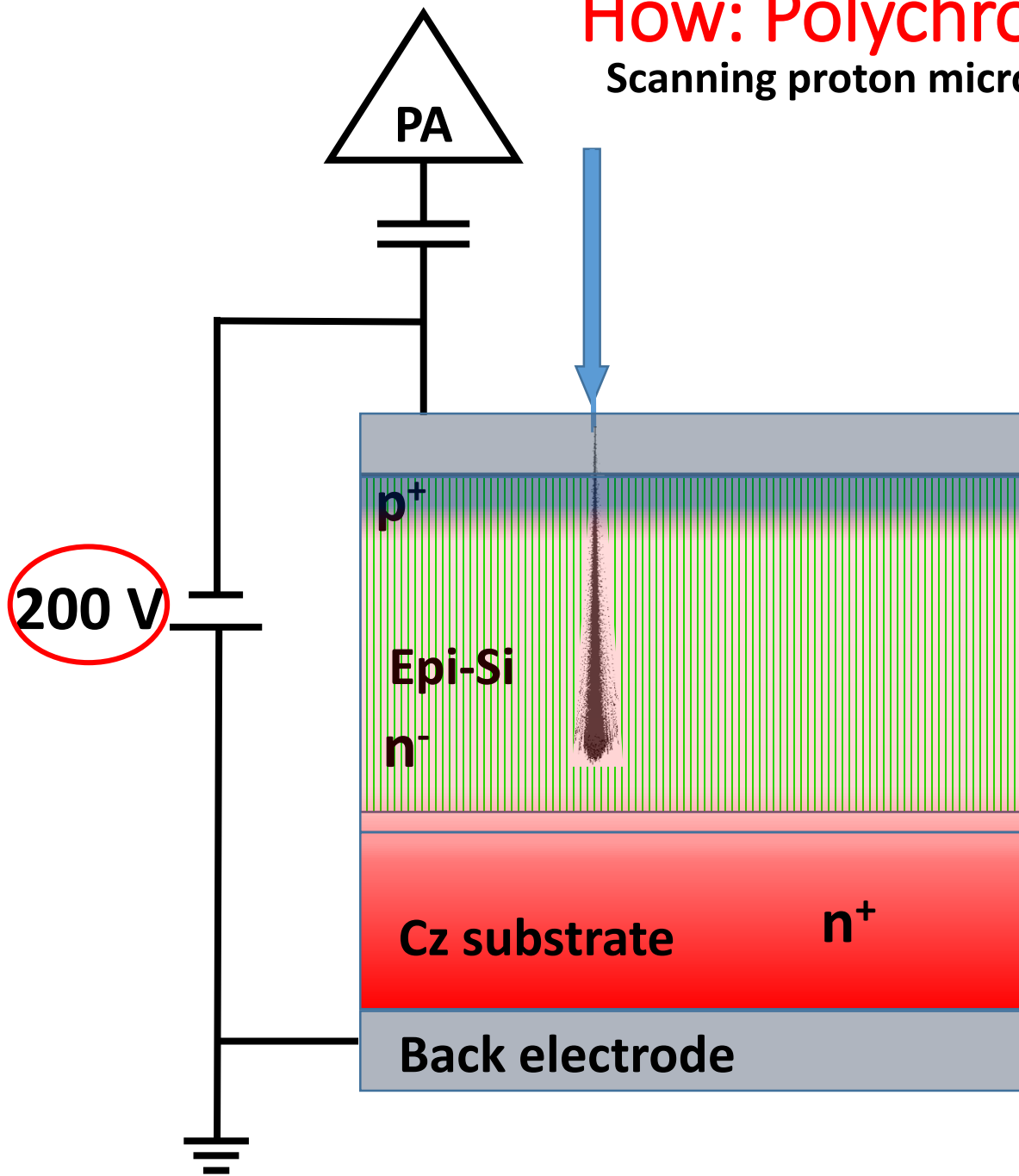


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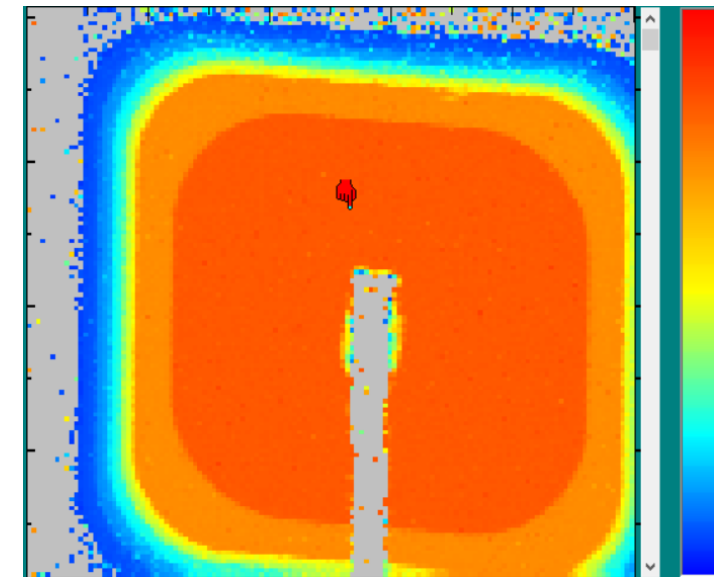
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Depletion Layer

IBIC Map
1.7 MeV proton
Applied Bias = 200 V

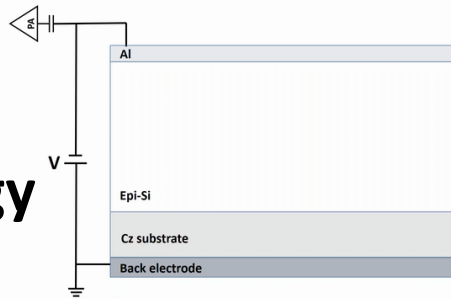


Modulation of the carrier generation profiles by different widths of the depletion region induced by changing the applied bias voltage

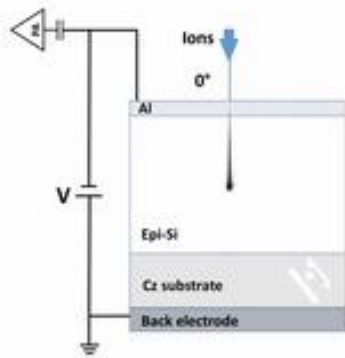


Parameter space: (E, θ , V)

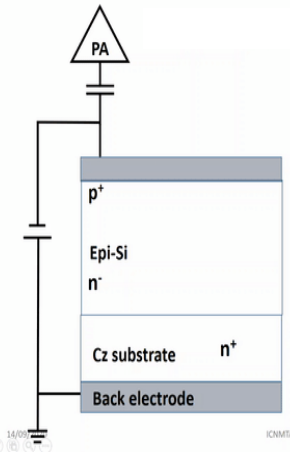
E
ion energy



θ
Tilting angle

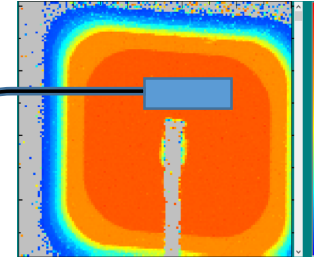


V
Bias voltage

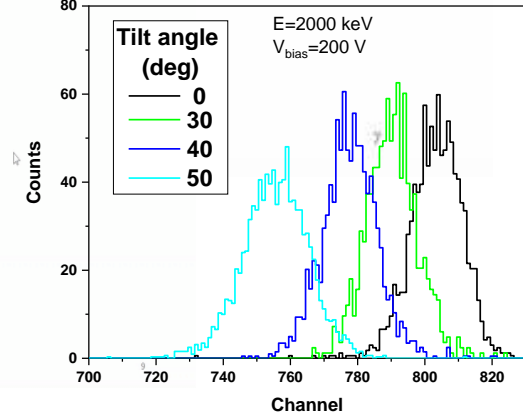
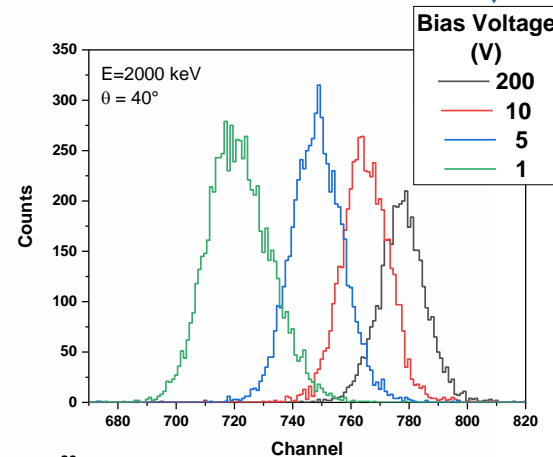


For each (E)
IBIC Map

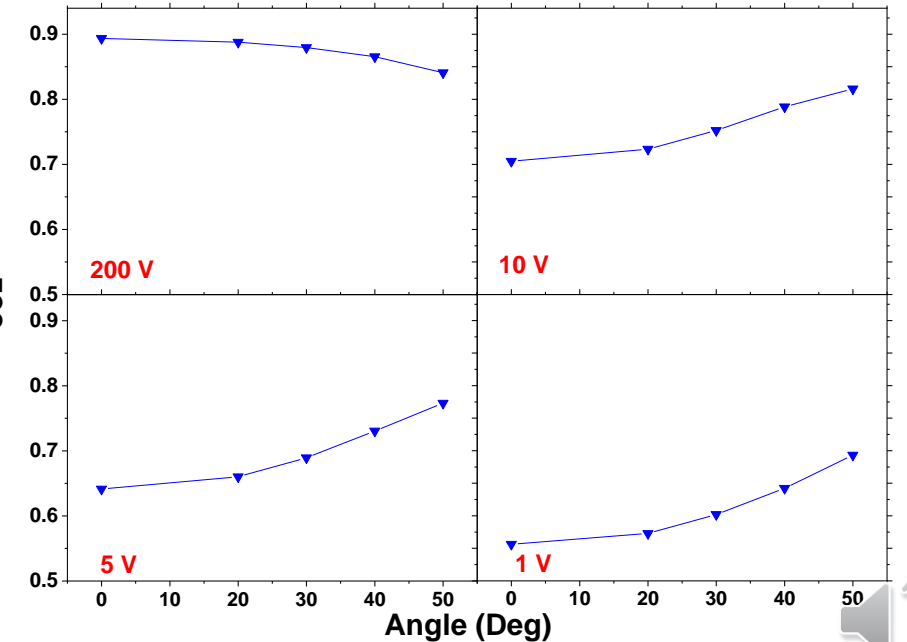
Selecting
a region



IBIC
SPECTRA

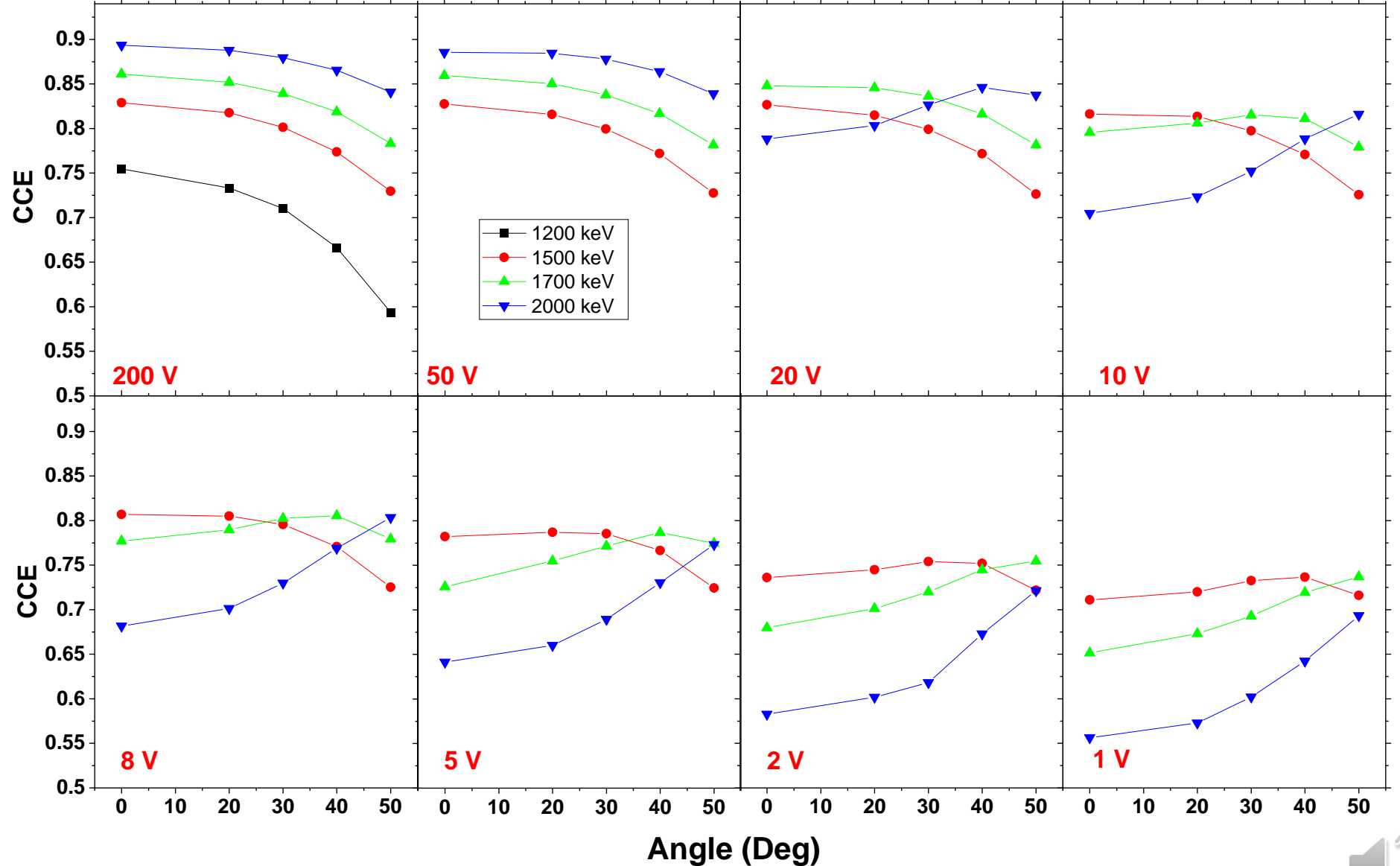


CCE



Experimental Results: Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE)

Experimental CCE
as function of
Tilting angle θ
@ different V
Parametrized by E



Lines are
interpolating
segments as a
guide for the
eyes



Model based on simplified IBIC theory

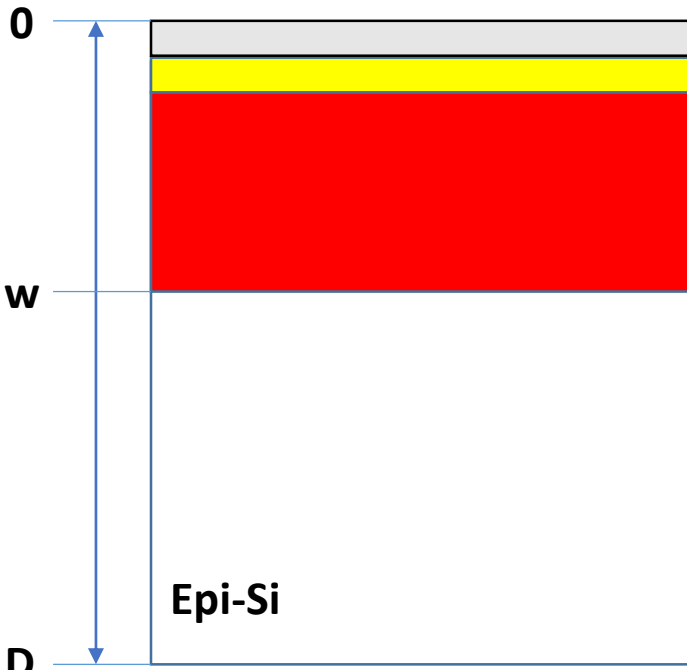
$$\text{CCE}_{\text{model}}(\theta, E_{\text{Ion}}, V) = \int_0^D \eta(x) \cdot \left[\frac{dE}{dx} \right]_{\theta, E_{\text{Ion}}} dx$$

CCE profile



Generation profile
Electron stopping power

Best fit with two free parameters:
 $W(V)$: depletion layer width as function of V
 L_h : minority carrier diffusion length



Al Electrode+Si Dead layer: $\eta(x)=0$

Depletion region: $\eta(x)=1$

Neutral region: $\eta(x) = \frac{\cosh(D-x)}{\cosh(D-w)}$

Solution of

$$\frac{d^2\eta(x)}{dx^2} = \frac{\eta(x)}{L_h^2}$$

With boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} \eta(x = w(V)) = 1 \\ \left. \frac{d\eta}{dx} \right|_{x=D} = 0 \end{cases}$$

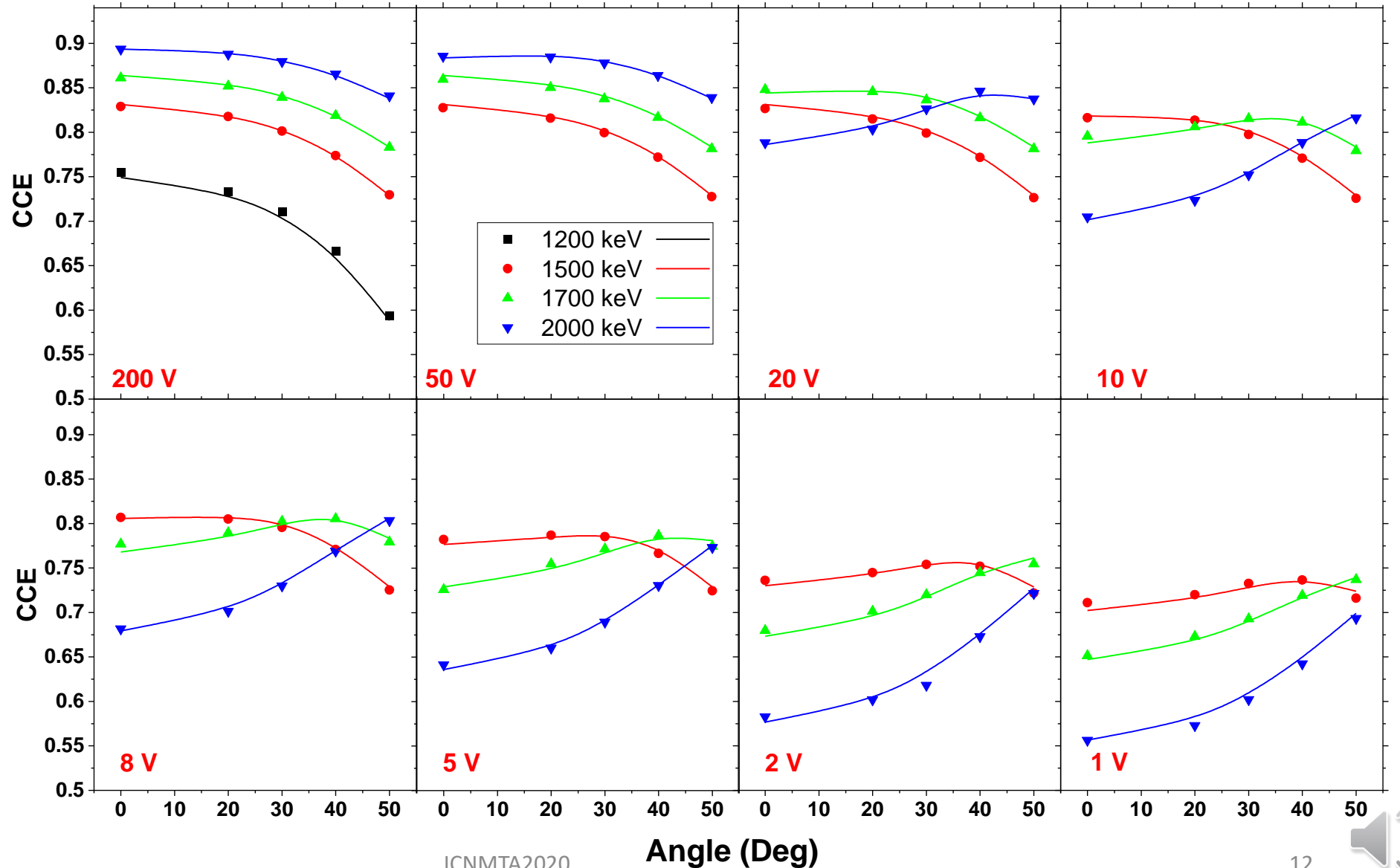
Effect of the back surface field at the n-/n+ boundaries



Results: Model

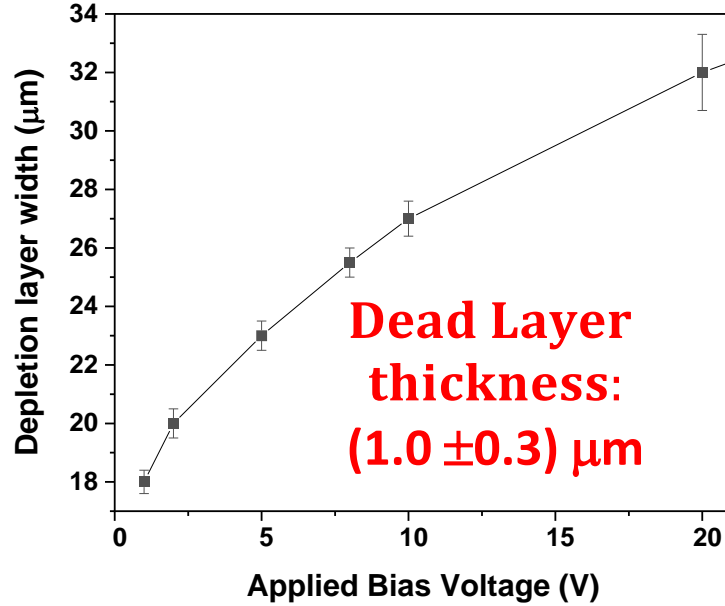
Solid lines are fitting curves

Experimental and fitting CCE as function of Tilting angle θ @ different V Parametrized by E

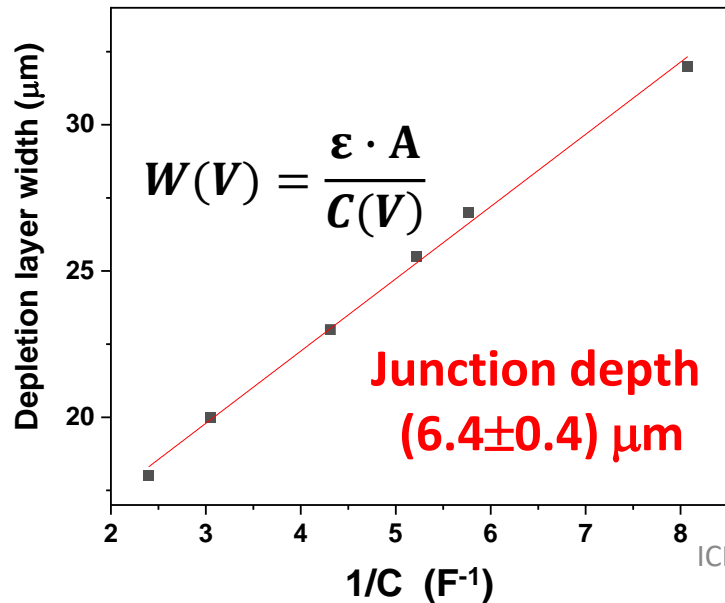


Results

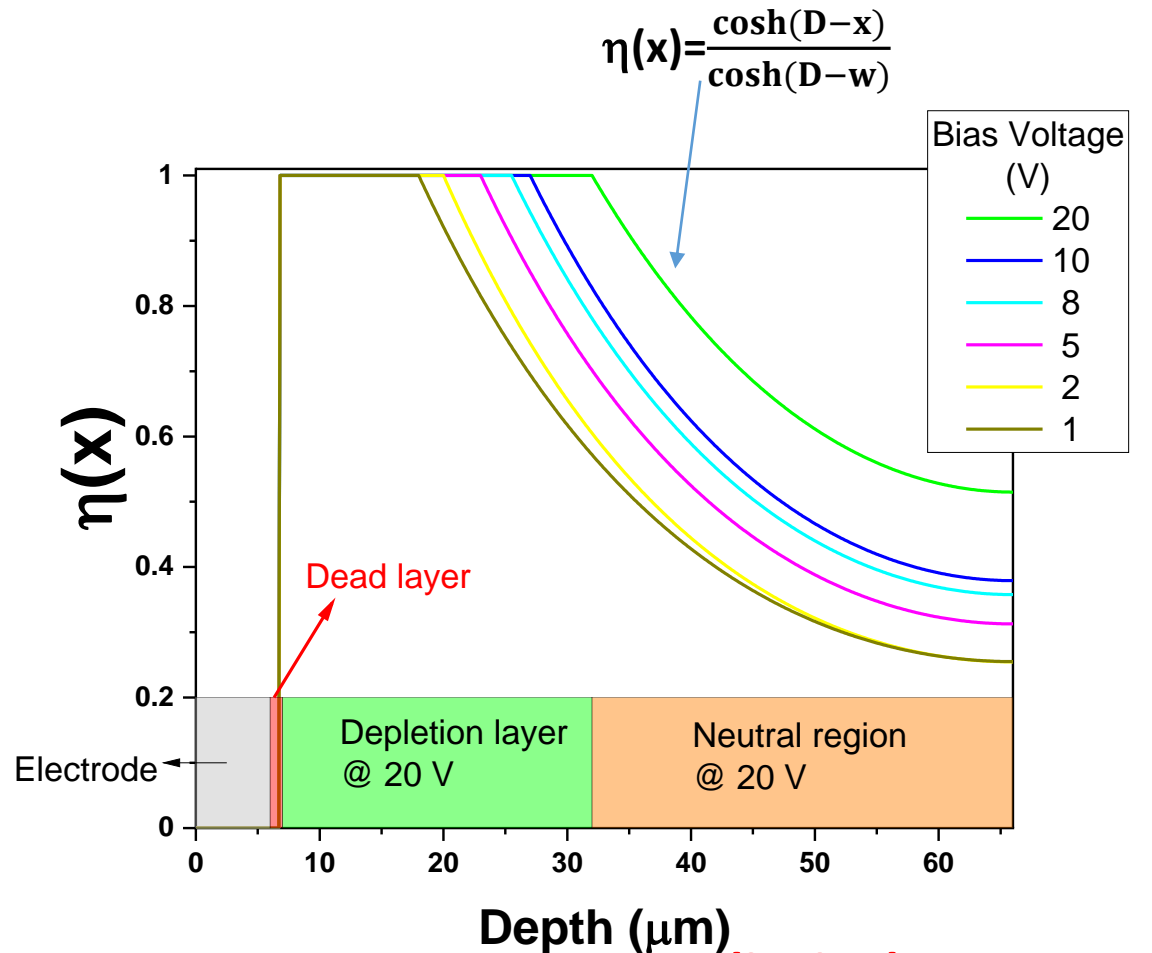
Behavior of the depletion layer width as function of the applied bias voltage



Linear relationship between inverse of capacitance and the depletion layer width



Charge collection efficiency profiles at different bias voltages



Minority carriers (holes) diffusion length: $L_h = (24.0 \pm 1.3) \mu\text{m}$



Conclusions:

- ❑ **Polychromatic angle resolved Ion Beam Induce Charge** technique was applied to characterize a p-i-n power diode
- ❑ **Spectra** extracted from the IBIC maps were measured as function of the
 - Proton energy ($E=1200, 1500, 1700, 2000$ keV)
 - Tilting angle ($\theta=0,20,30,40,50^\circ$)
 - Applied bias voltage ($V=1,2,5,8,10,20,200$ V)
- ❑ The analysis based on a **simplified model of the IBIC theory** was applied to extract the
 - Dead layer thickness (1.0 ± 0.3) μm
 - The diffusion length of minority carriers in the neutral region $L_n = (24.0 \pm 1.3)$ μm
 - Behavior of the depletion layer width as function of the applied bias voltage in agreement with electrical characterization
- ❑ The fitting curves are in **excellent agreement** with the experimental data
- ❑ The methodology here developed is suitable for a non invasive functional analysis of power diodes and provides valuable parameters for the design of new semiconductor devices

