

Charge Collection in HV-MAPS



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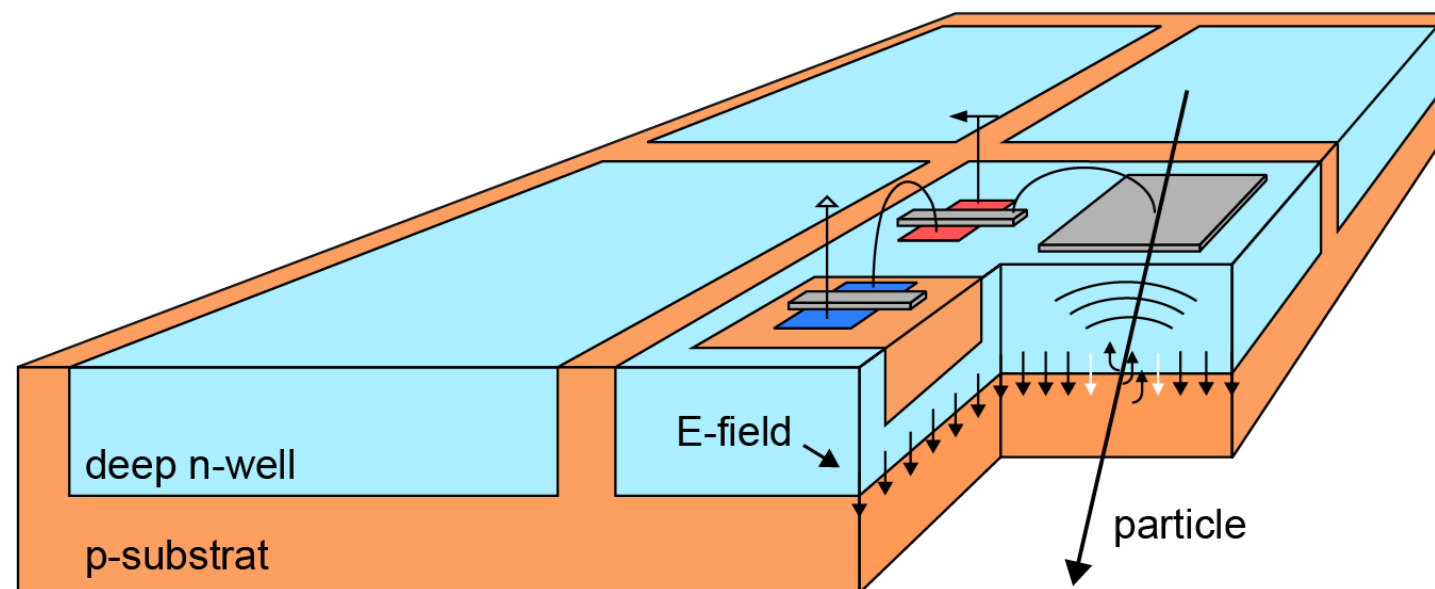
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High Voltage - Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (HV-MAPS)

Monolithic: Readout and active volume on same chip



[I.Peric, P. Fischer et al., NIM A 582 (2007) 876, modified]

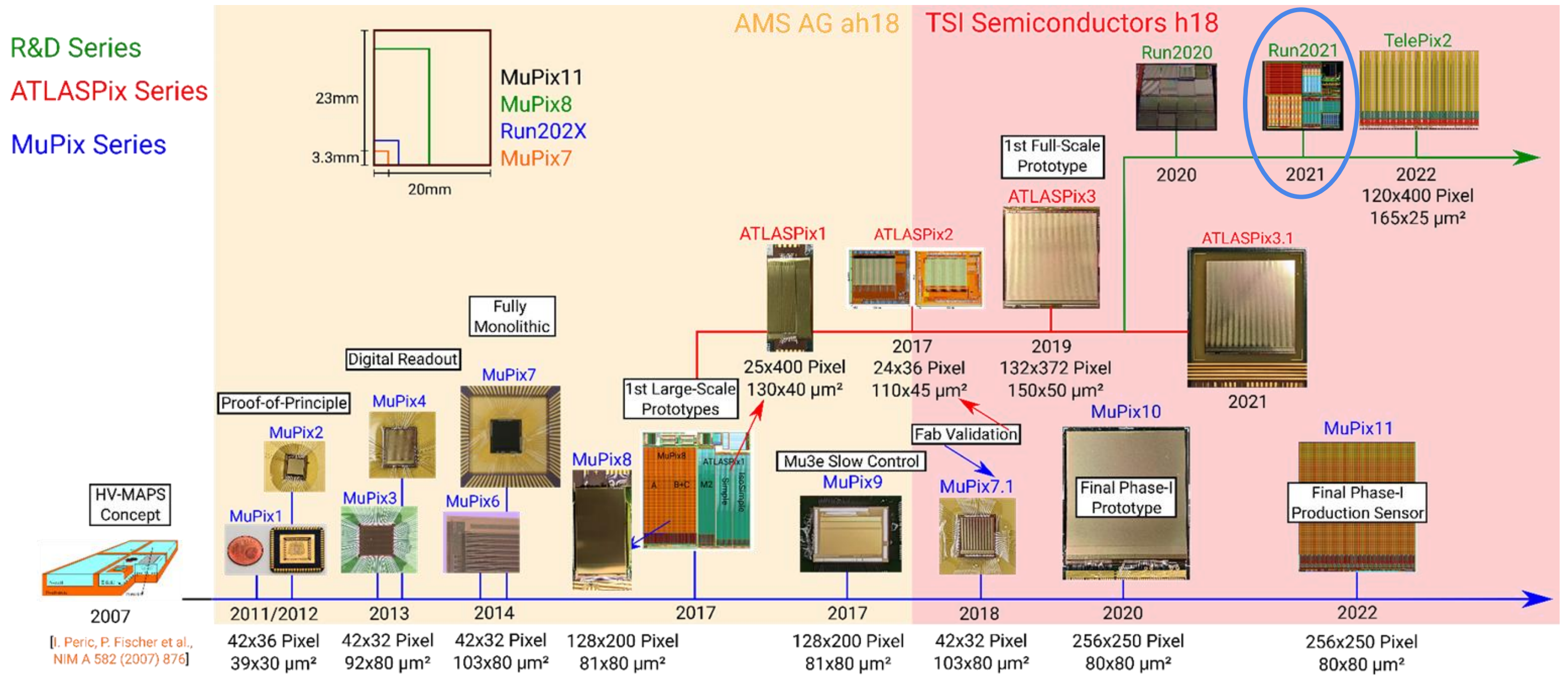
Characteristics:

- **Reverse-biased** diode realised as deep n-well in **p-substrate**

$$\text{Depletion depth} \propto \sqrt{\rho_{\text{substrate}} \cdot U_{\text{ext}}}$$

- Fast charge collection via drift in depleted volume
- Time over Threshold (ToT) information \rightarrow charge equivalent

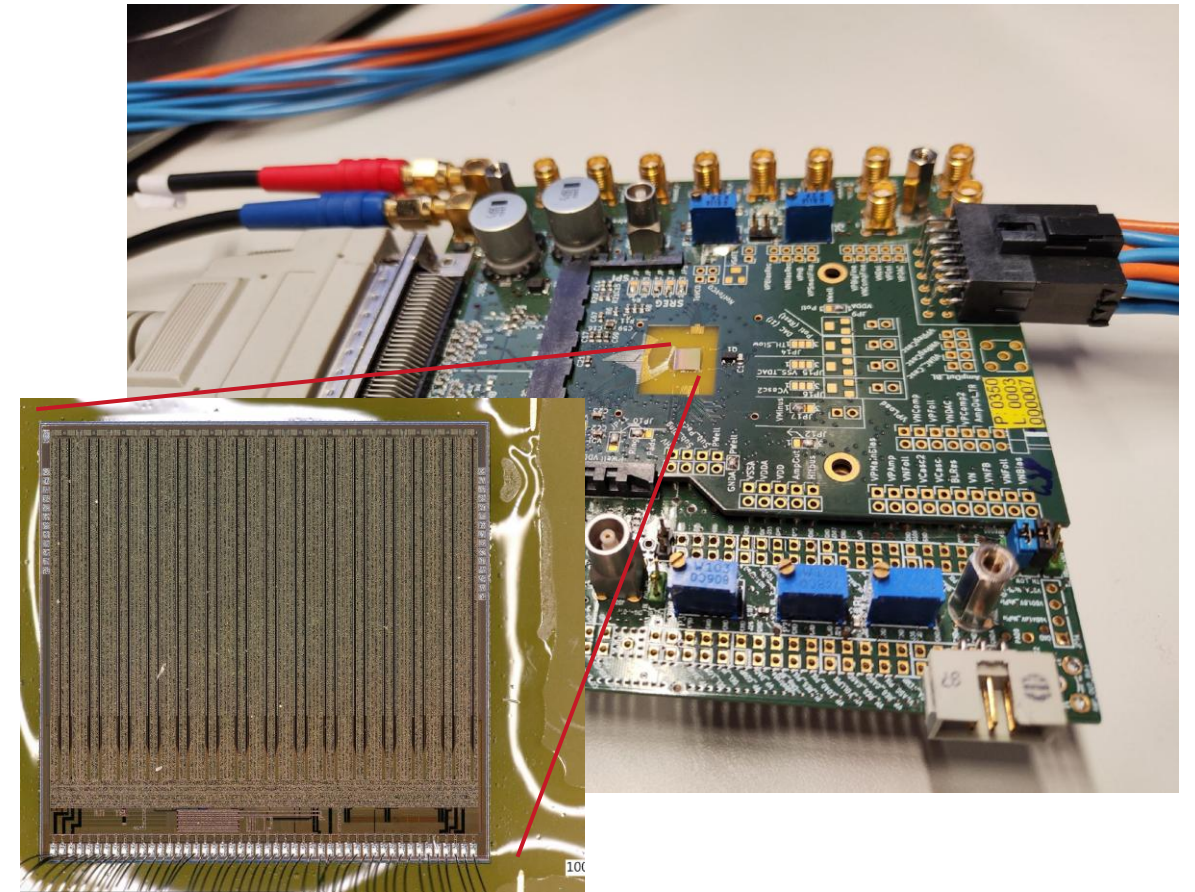
HV-MAPS Roadmap



[D. Immig, Straggling with Ultra-Thin HV-MAPS]

TelePix1 (Run2021 V2)

- Small scale ($5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$) R&D sensor
- In-pixel electronics contain amplifier and comparator



→ Following results focus on:
 $d = 50 \mu\text{m}, 100 \mu\text{m}, 740 \mu\text{m}; \rho = 370 \Omega\text{cm}$

Substrate [Ωcm]	20, 370 , > 5000
Thickness [μm]	50, 100, 300, 740
Matrix [Pixel]	29 x 124
Pixel Size [μm^2]	165 x 25
Sensor size [mm^2]	5 x 5

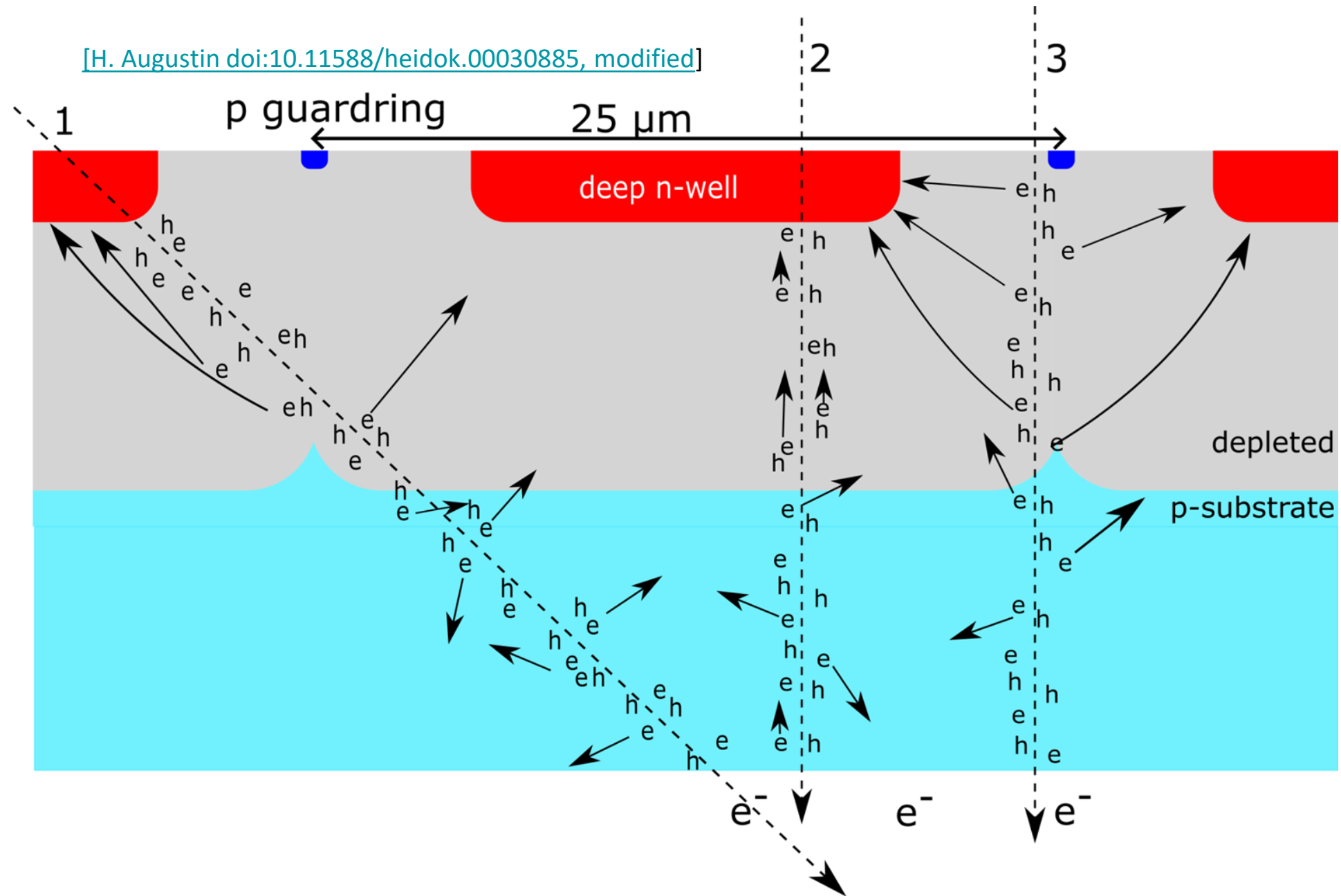
Charge Deposition and Collection in HV-MAPS

- HV applied on top, no back bias
- Fast charge collection $\leq O(\text{ns})$ in depleted volume via drift
- Diffusion in undepleted volume

Time [ns]	Gaussian spread σ [μm]
500	61.2 ± 2.4
750	75 ± 3
1000	87 ± 3

→ How large is the contribution from diffusion?

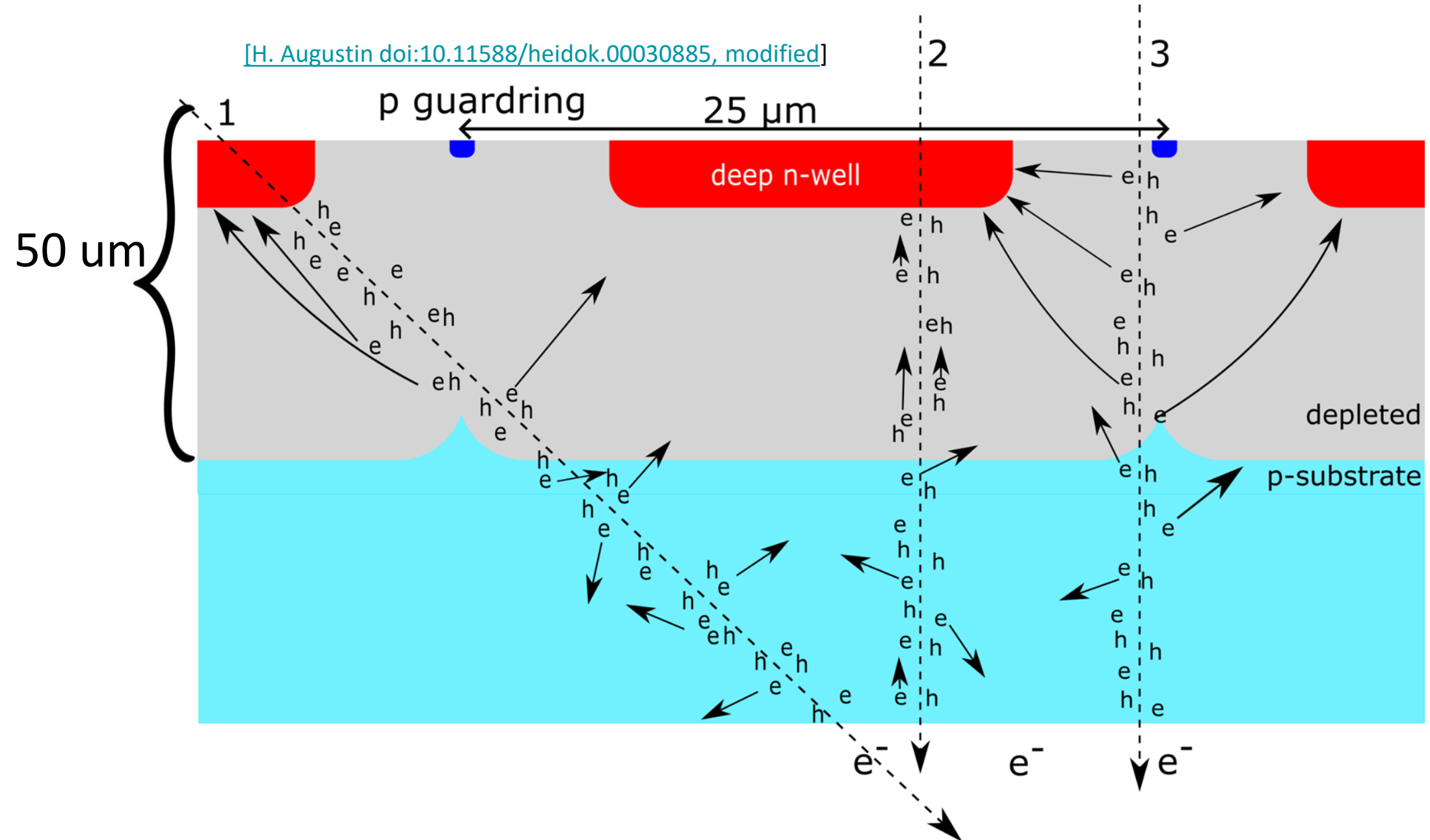
[H. Augustin doi:10.11588/heidok.00030885, modified]



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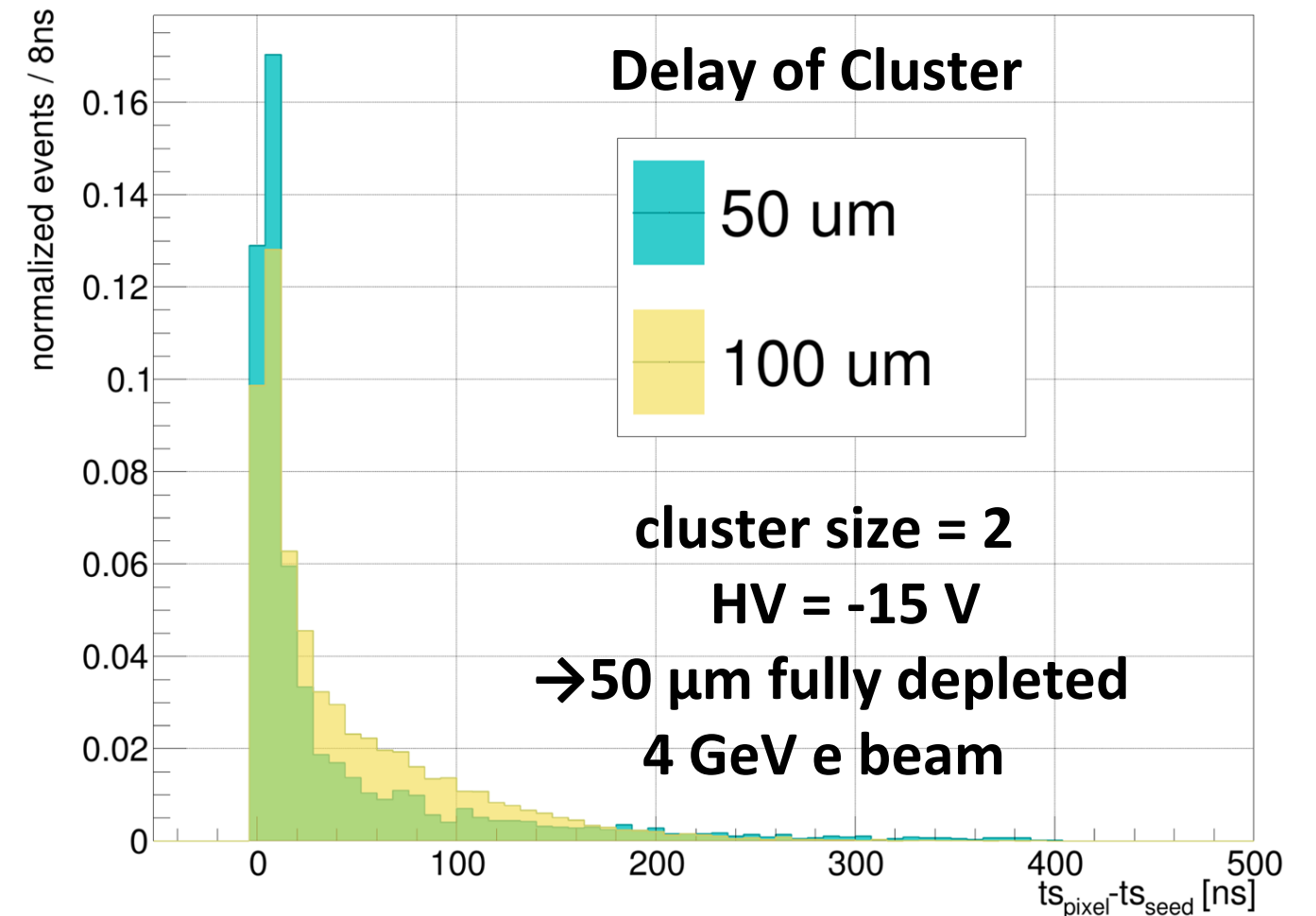
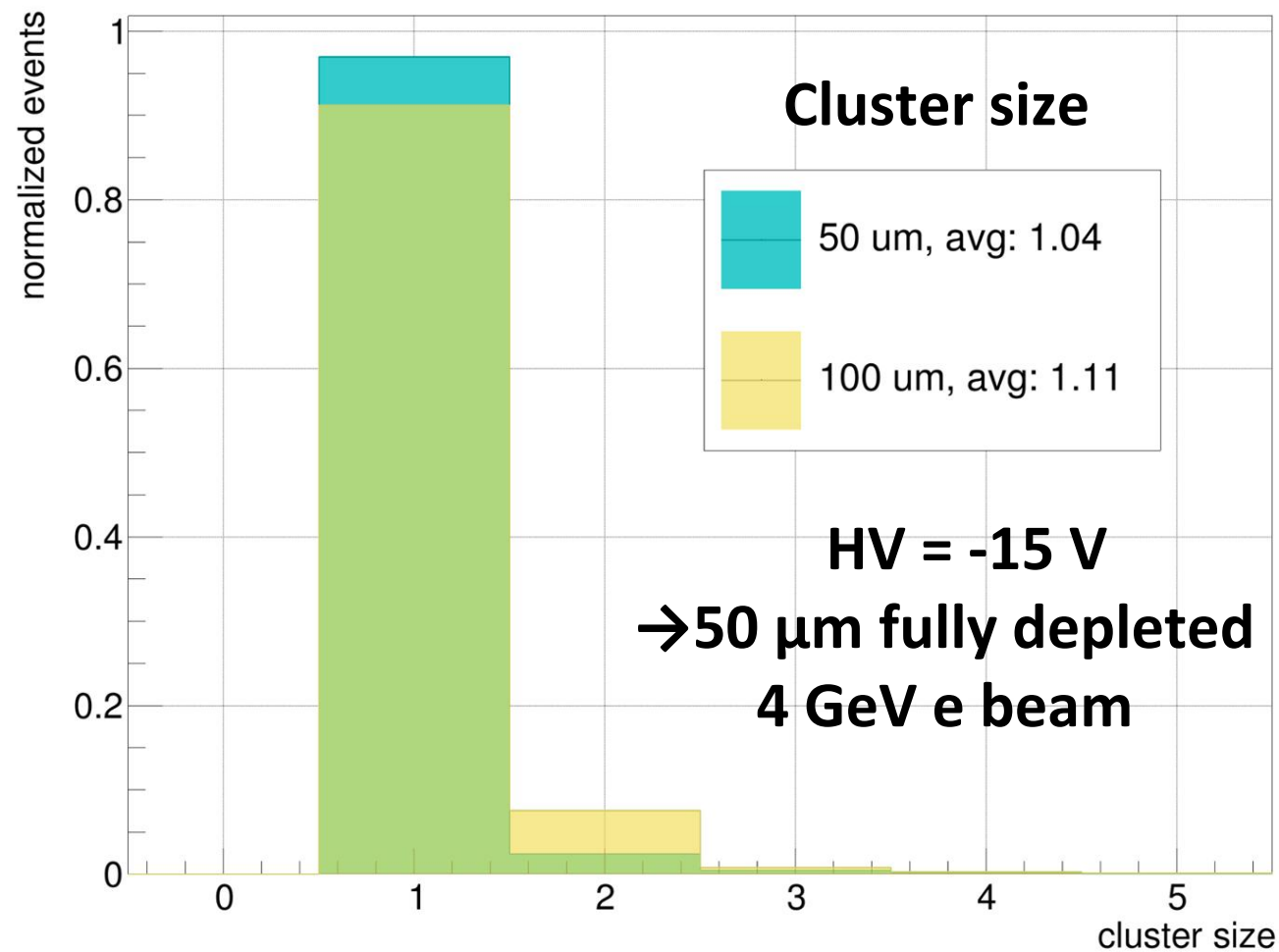
- Main observables:
ToT, cluster size
- Compare at same HV and configuration for different thicknesses
- 50 μm, 100 μm, 740 μm (unthinned)



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Cluster Size Study @ DESY

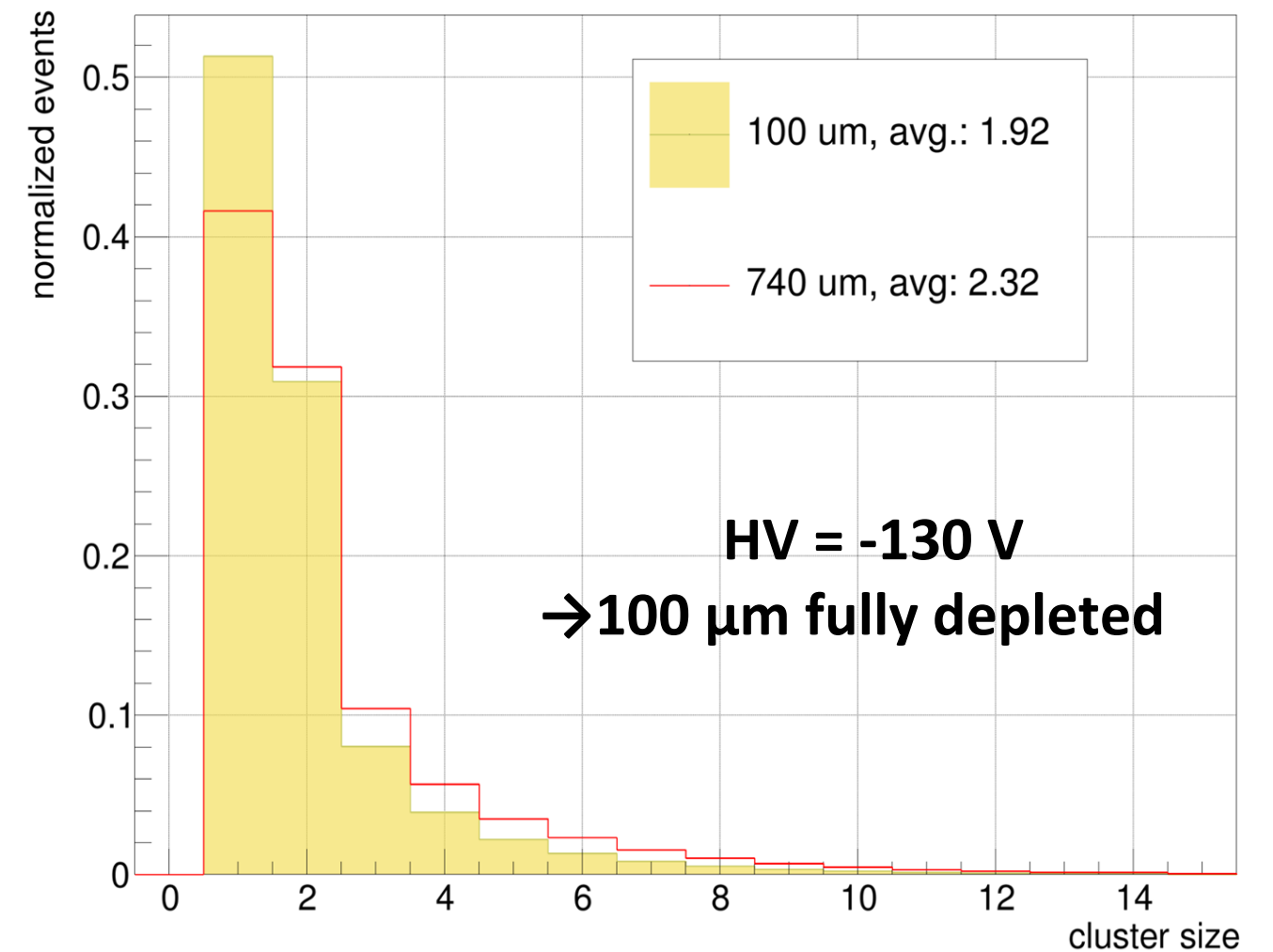
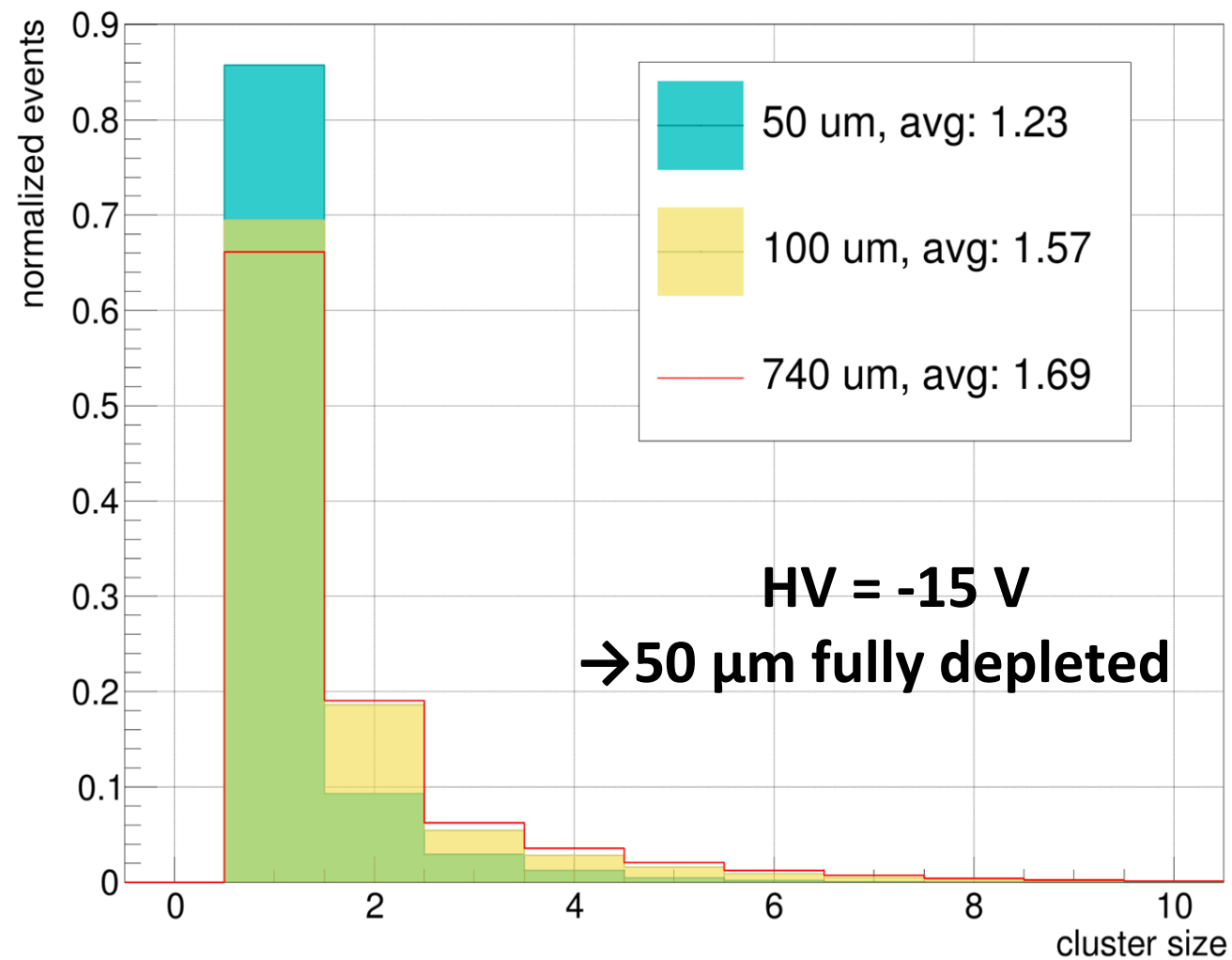
- Cluster size increases with amount of undepleted substrate
- Second Pixel in the cluster shows larger delays
 - Diffusion is a slower process than drift



Cluster size study with Strontium-90

- $> 600 \mu\text{m}$ of undepleted substrate \rightarrow similar increase in cluster size

$$\sigma_{\text{diffusion}} \approx 60 \mu\text{m}$$

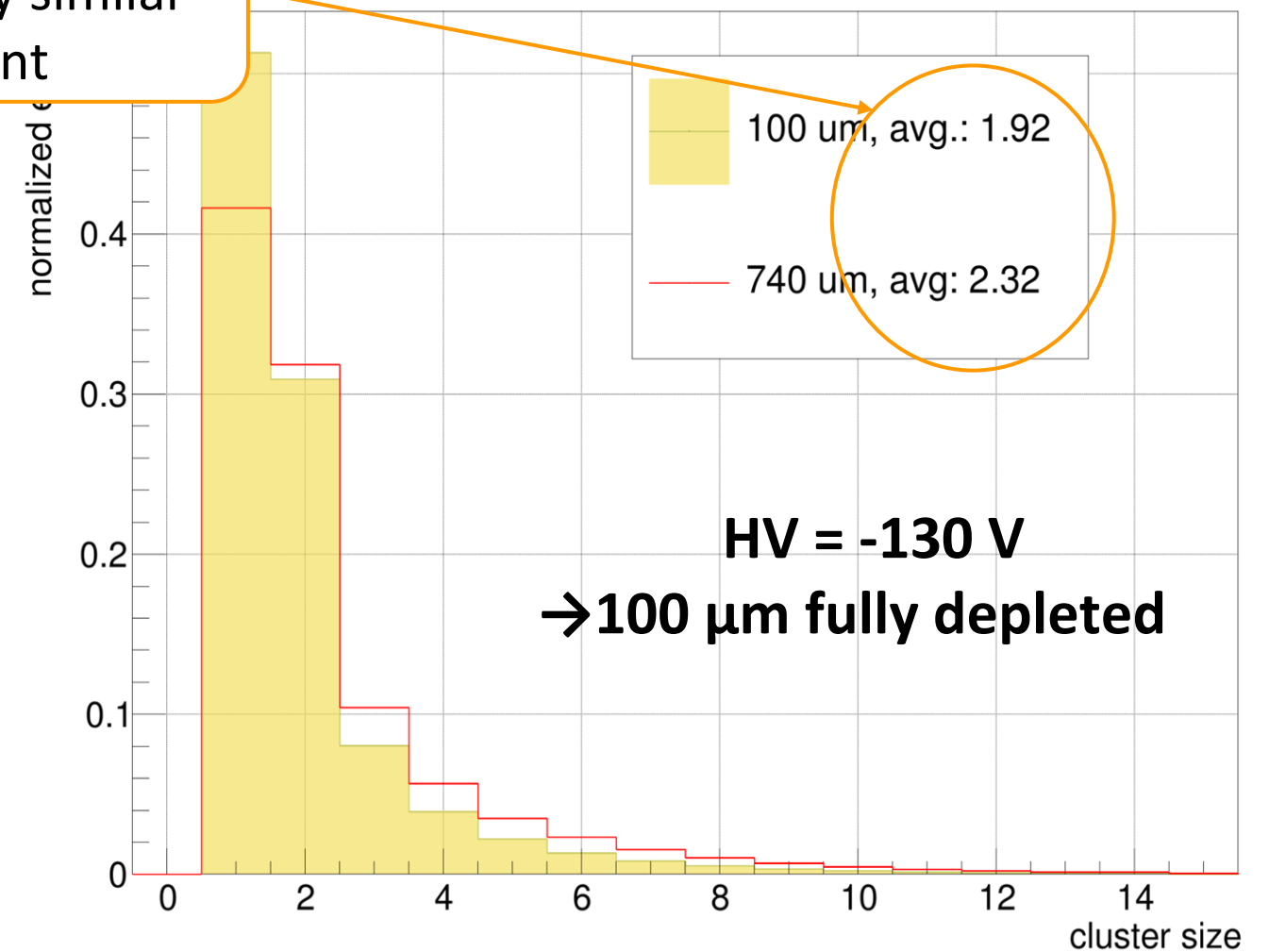
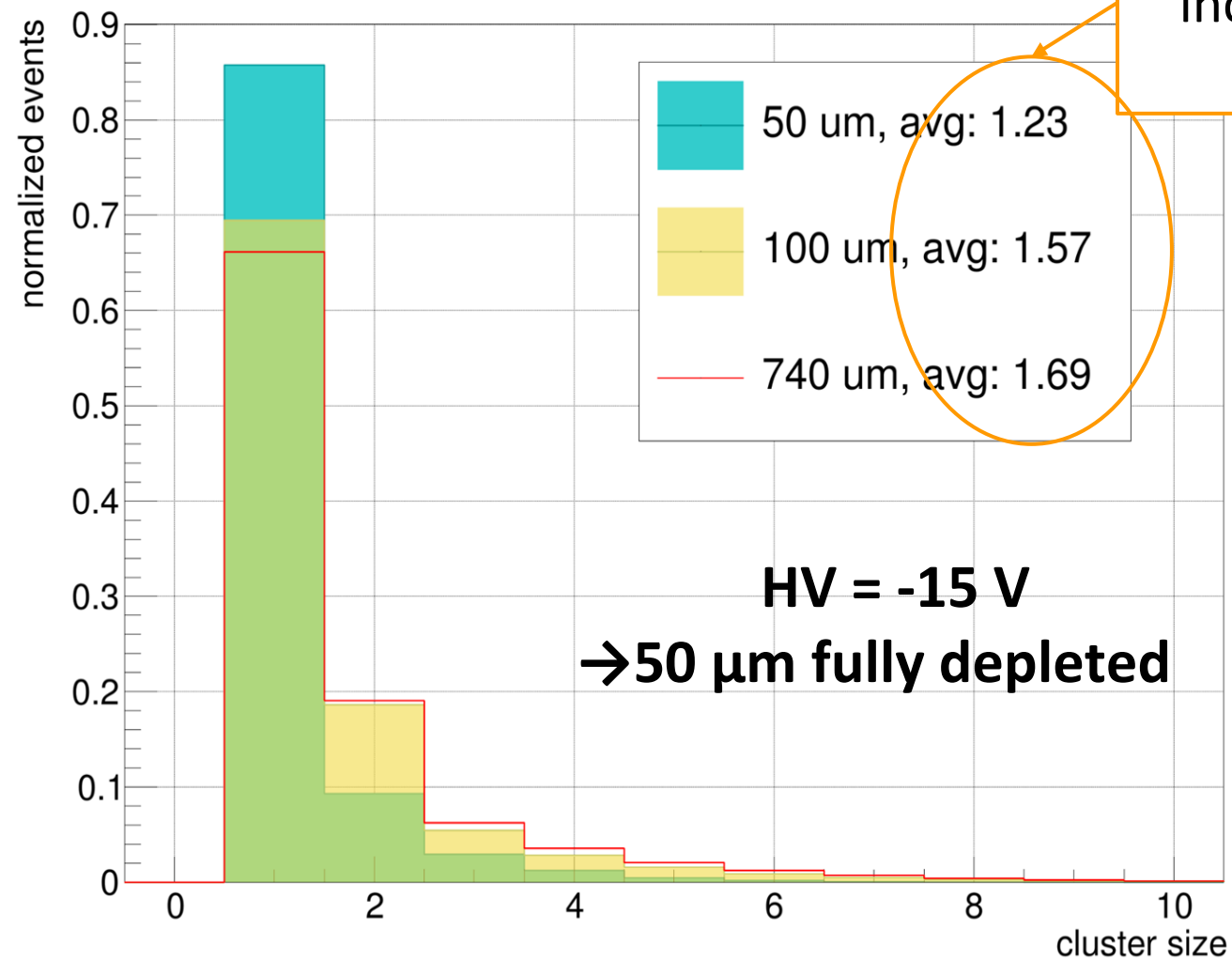


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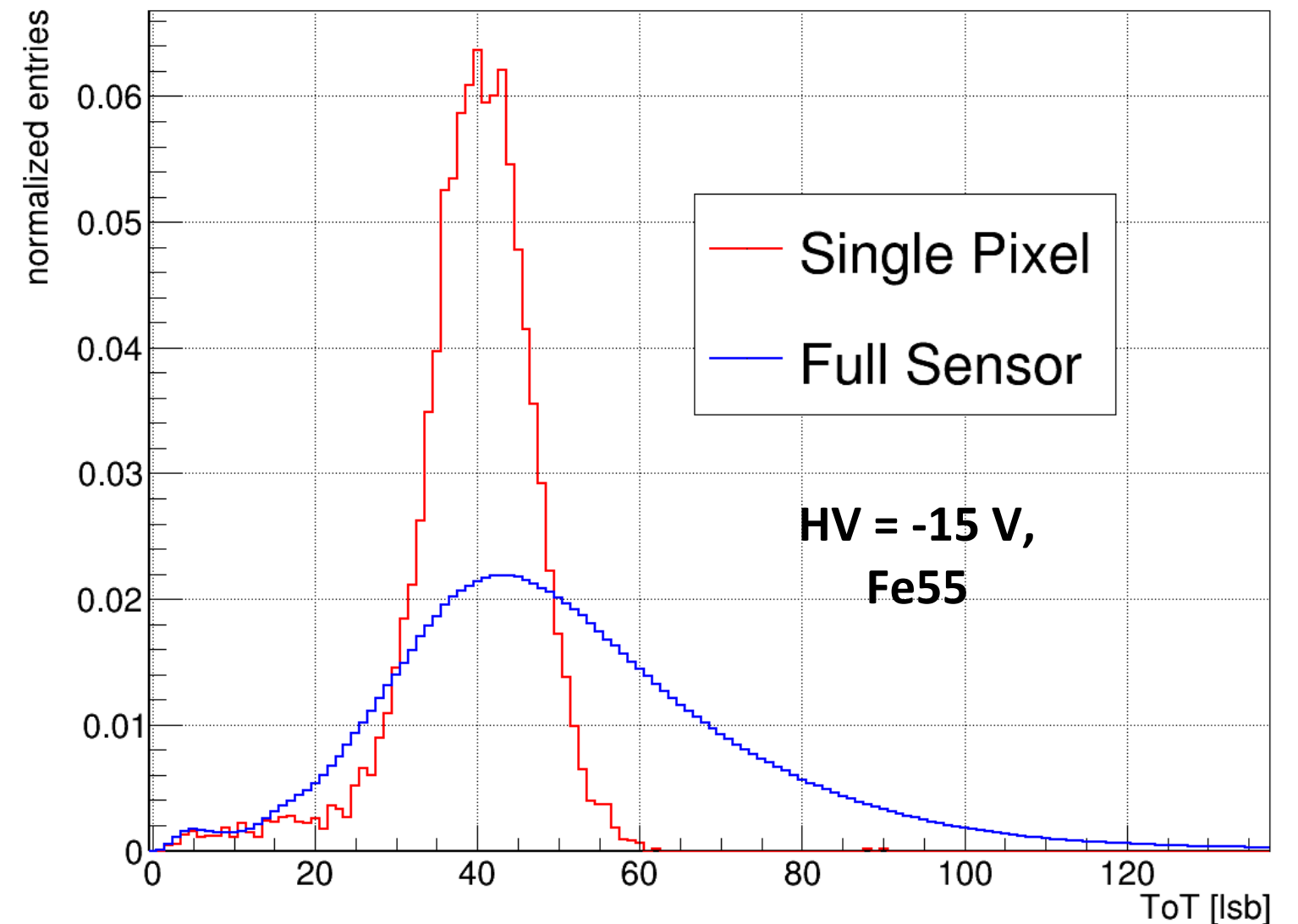
avg. cluster size
increases by similar
amount



Pixel to Pixel ToT Variations

- Fe55: Monoenergetic x-ray source 5.9 keV
 - creates ~ 1634 e-h pairs¹
 - Similar pixel response expected
- Full sensor ToT has large FWHM

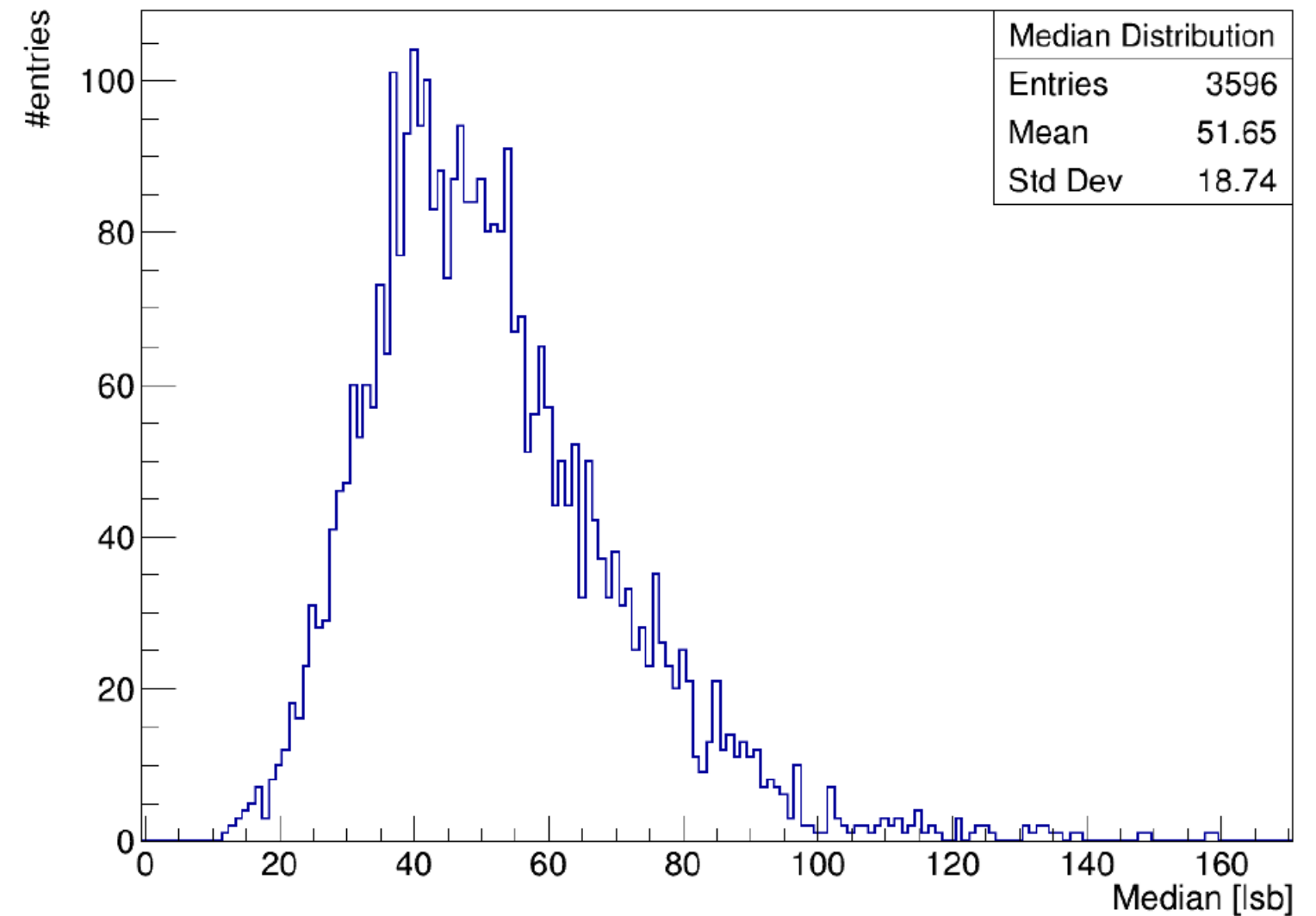
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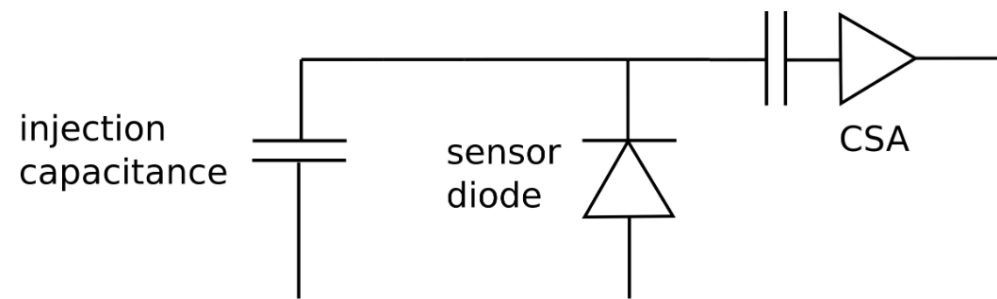
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- Large variation in pixel median ToT for Fe55 source is observed
 - Variation from Chip to Chip
 - Calibration necessary

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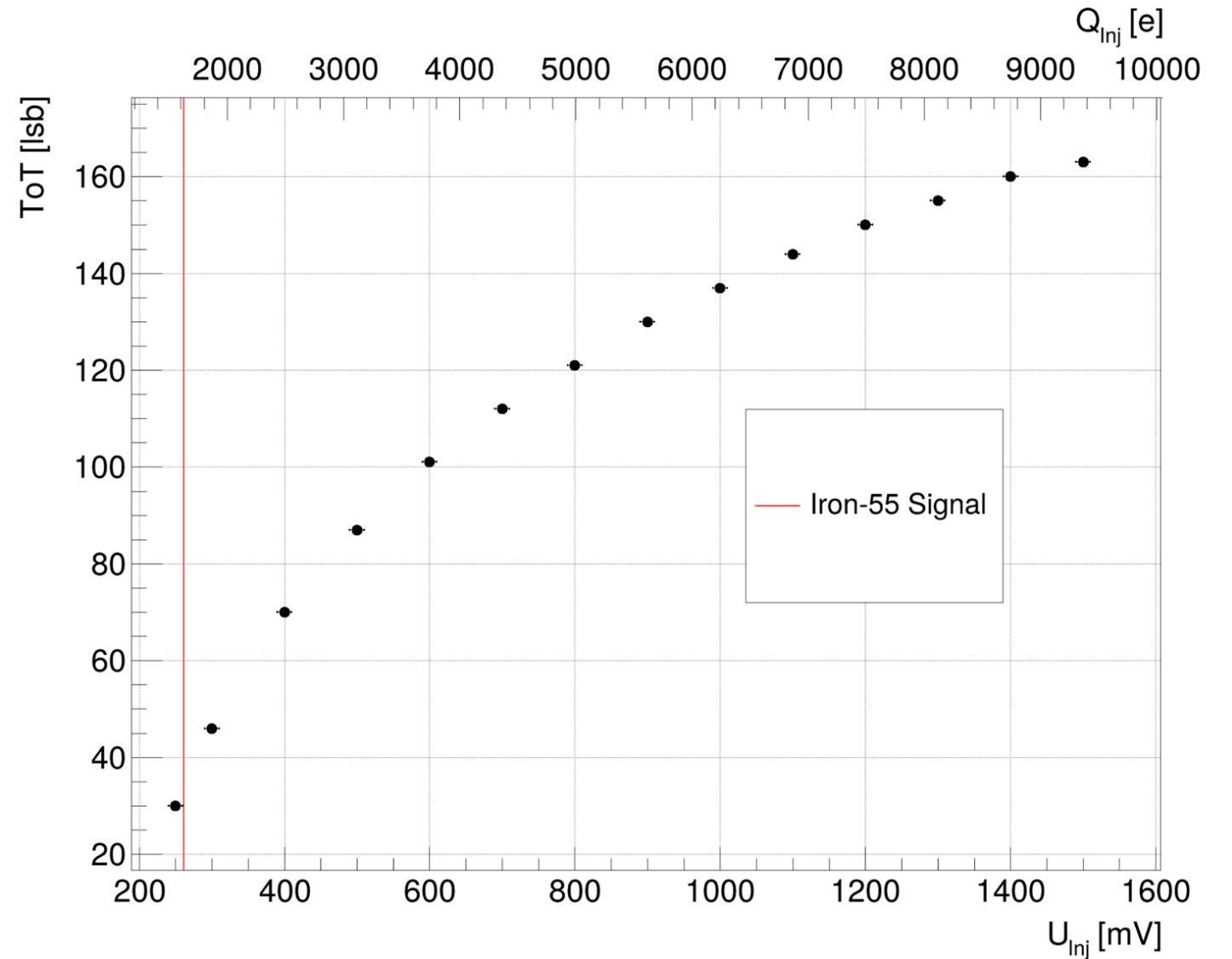


Amplifier Behavior

- Use of injection circuit $Q_{\text{Inj}} = U_{\text{Inj}} \cdot C_{\text{Inj}}$
- Reliable, artificial signal source



- Injection study conducted with a **single** pixel
- Logarithmic amplifier response (empirical)
- Non-linear calibration needed





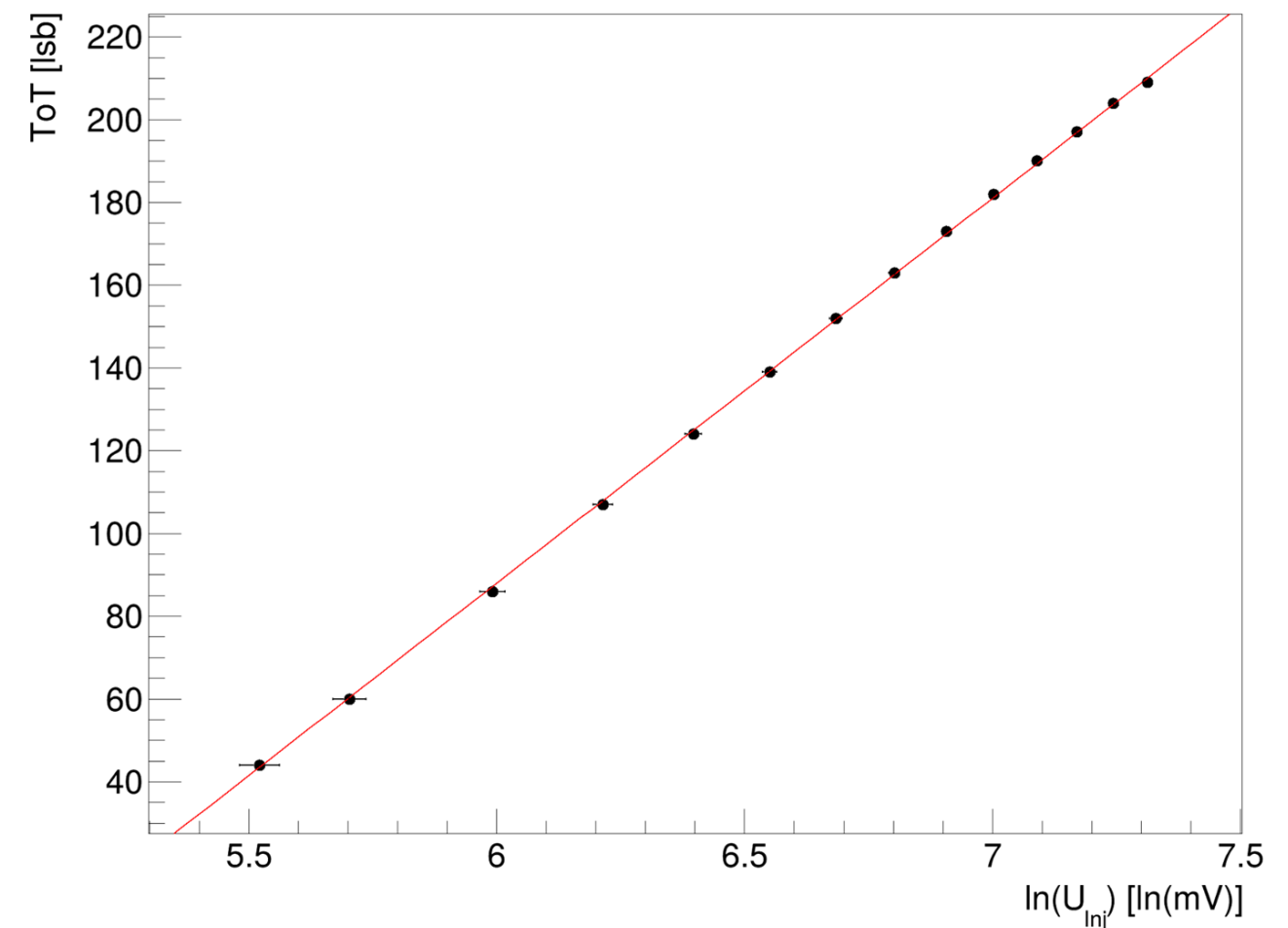
[D. Dannheim et al., "Corryvreckan: a modular 4D track reconstruction and analysis software for test beam data"](#)

Calibration Method

- Calibration in Corryvreckan → two new modules developed
- Analysis on per pixel level
- Exponential calibration function

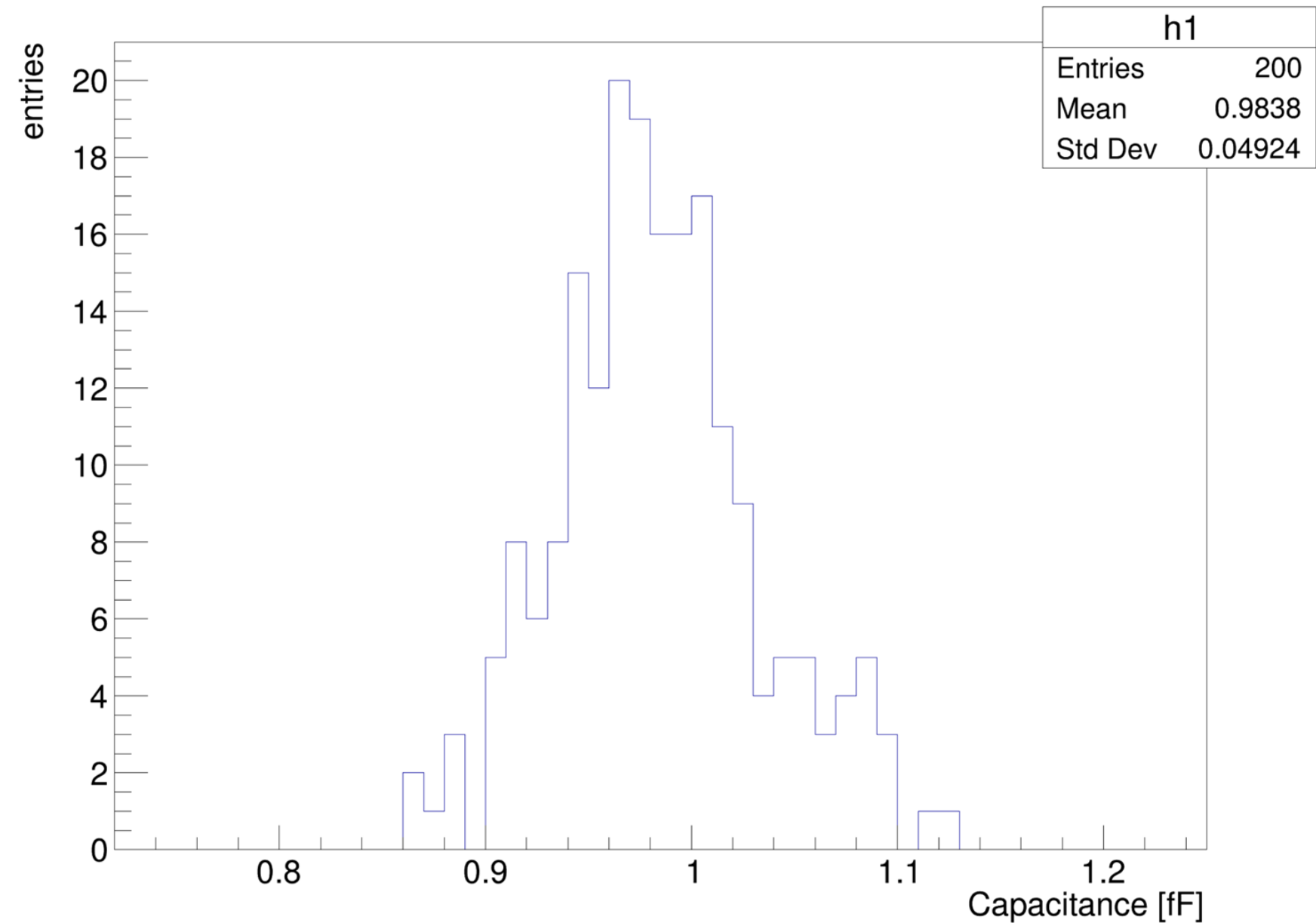
$$\text{Charge} = 1634 e \cdot \exp(a(\text{ToT} - \text{ToT}_{\text{Fe}}))$$

- Uses **gradient** to achieve electron calibration of **signal**
- Allows for sensor to sensor comparison



Cross-check: Injection Capacitance

- Subset of 200 Pixels
- Calculate $C_{\text{Inj}} = \frac{Q_{\text{Fe}}}{U_{\text{Fe}}}$
- Design value: $C_{\text{Inj}} = 1 \text{ fF}$
- Experimental capacitance matches design value very well

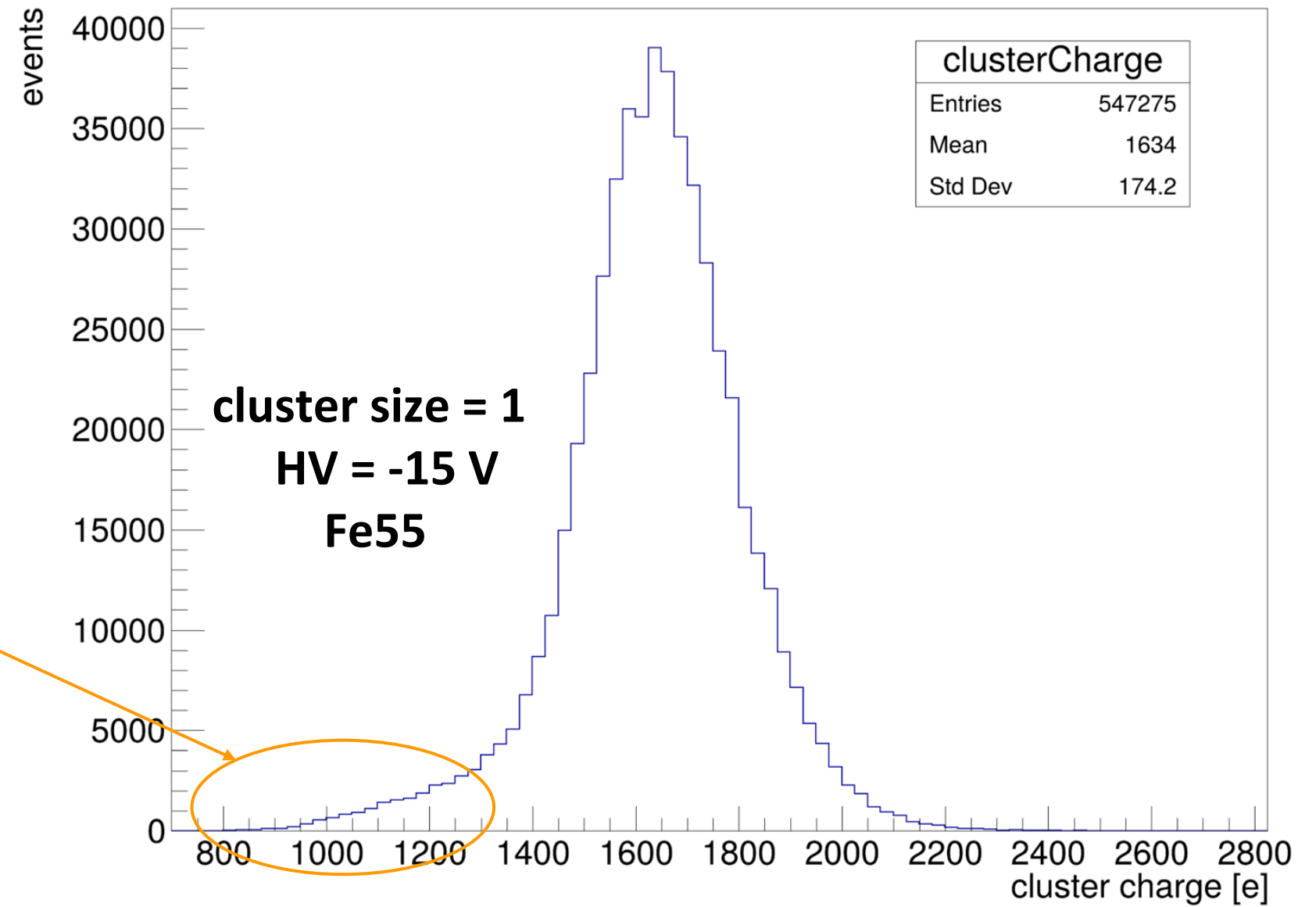


Calibration of Iron-55

- Subset of 200 pixels
- Core of the distribution has Gaussian shape and mean 1634 electrons

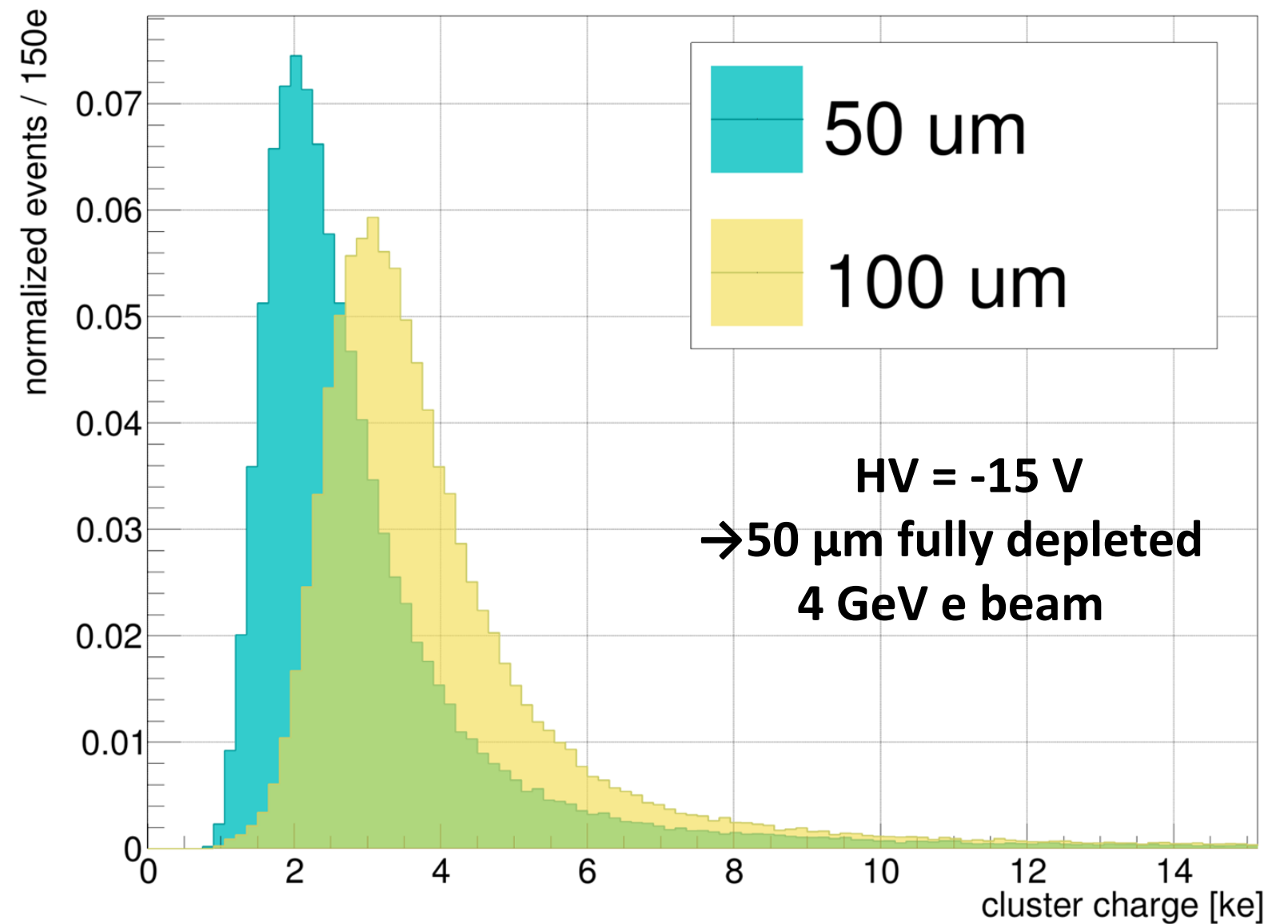
Tail towards small charge collections

→ charge sharing



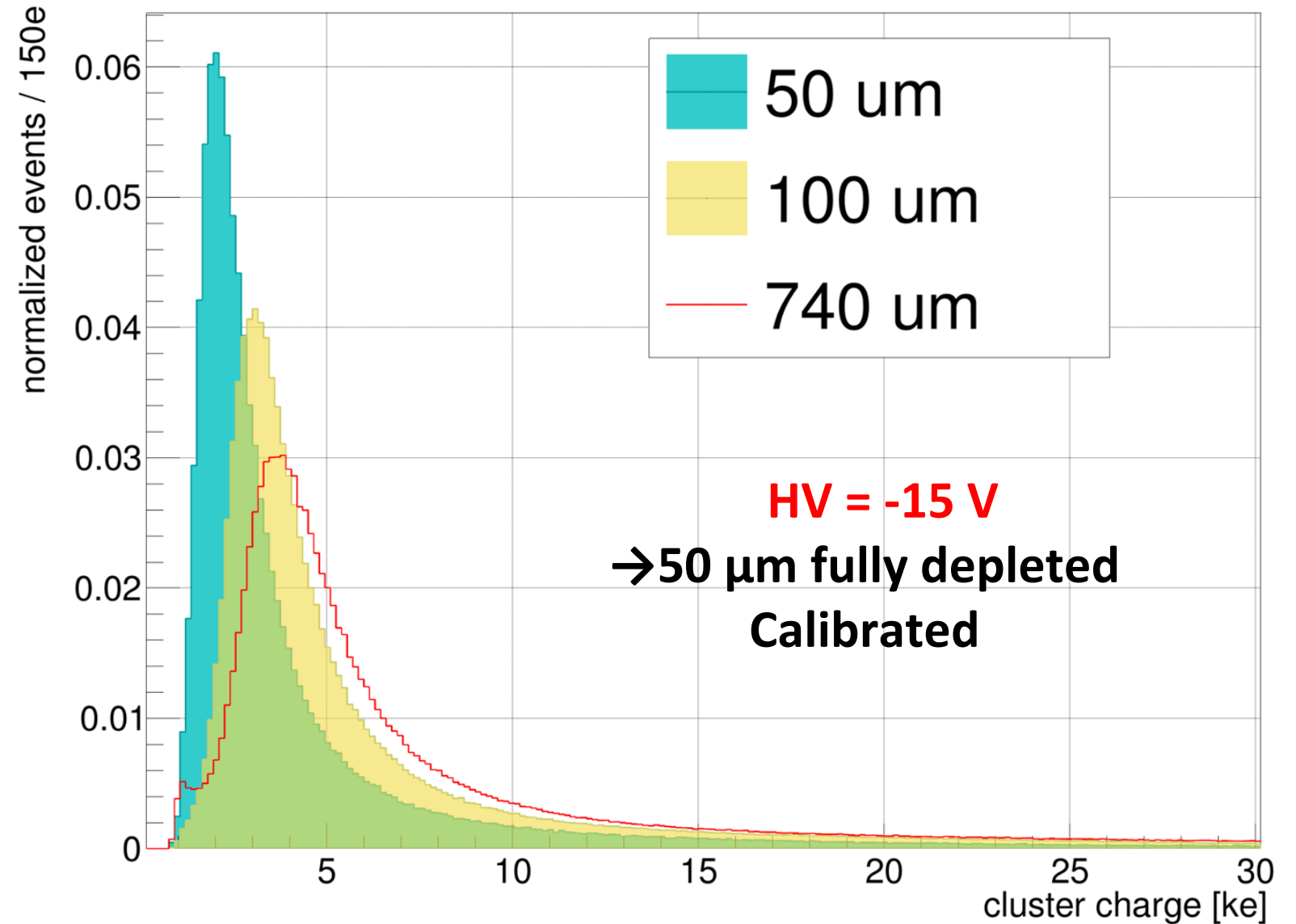
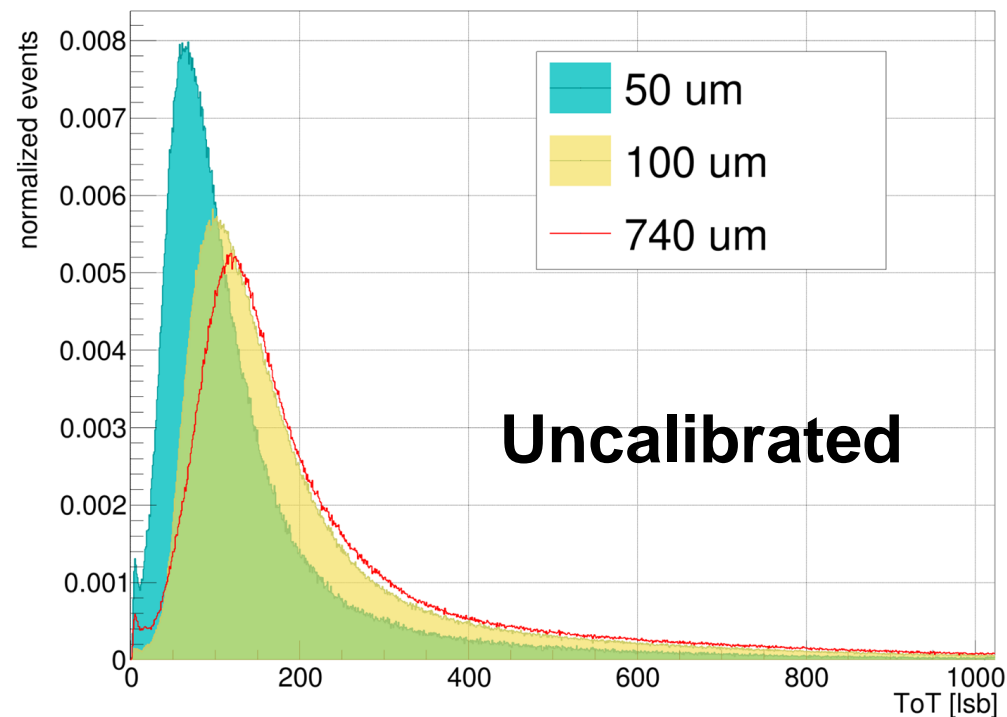
Calibrated ToT Studies @ DESY

- Subset of 200 Pixels
 - Clear separation of charge spectra
 - Mean electron collection:
3386 e (50 μm) 4420 e (100 μm)
- 30 % more charge collected
- MPV shifted by 1000 e



Strontium-90 Spectrum: -15 V Bias Voltage

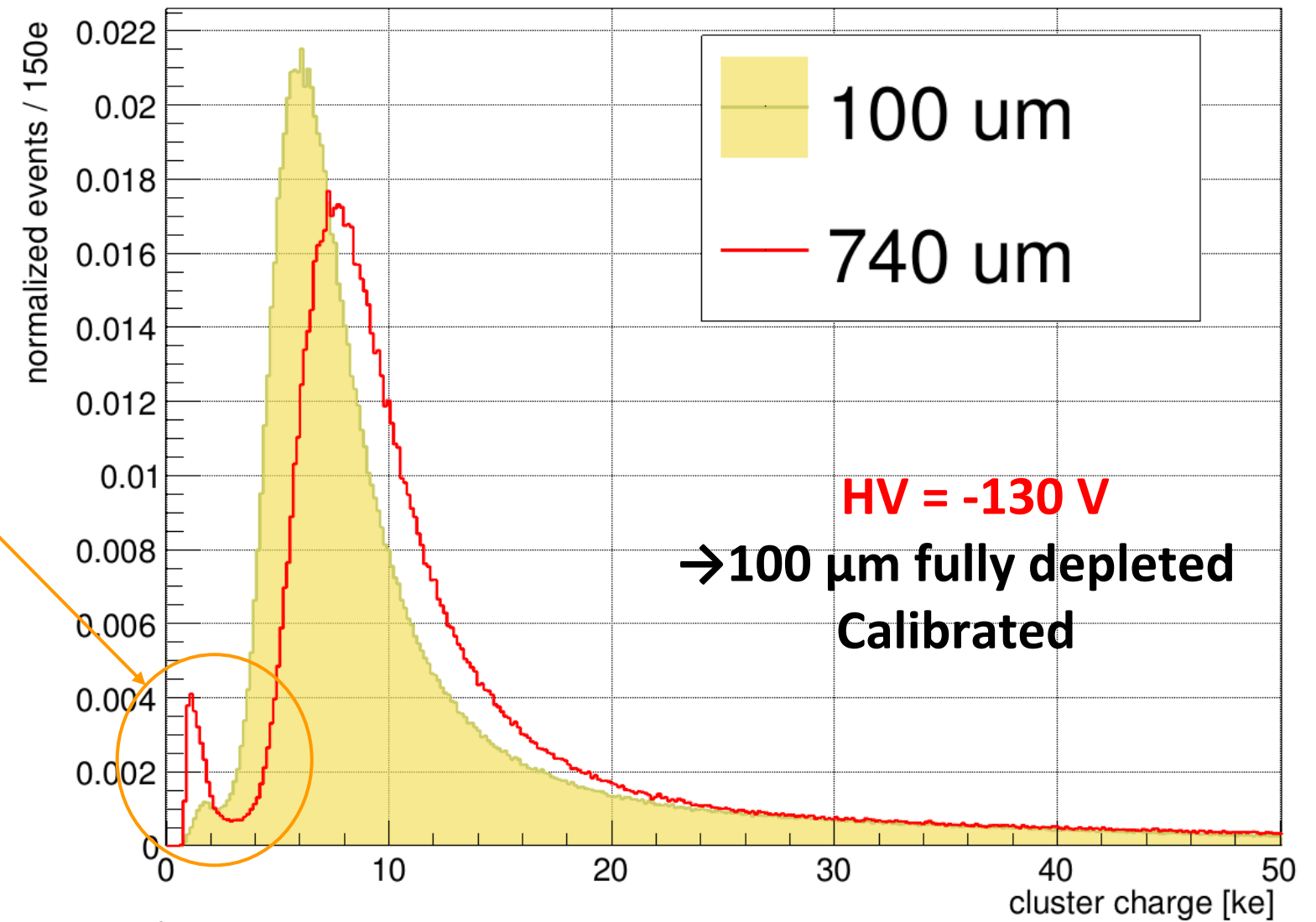
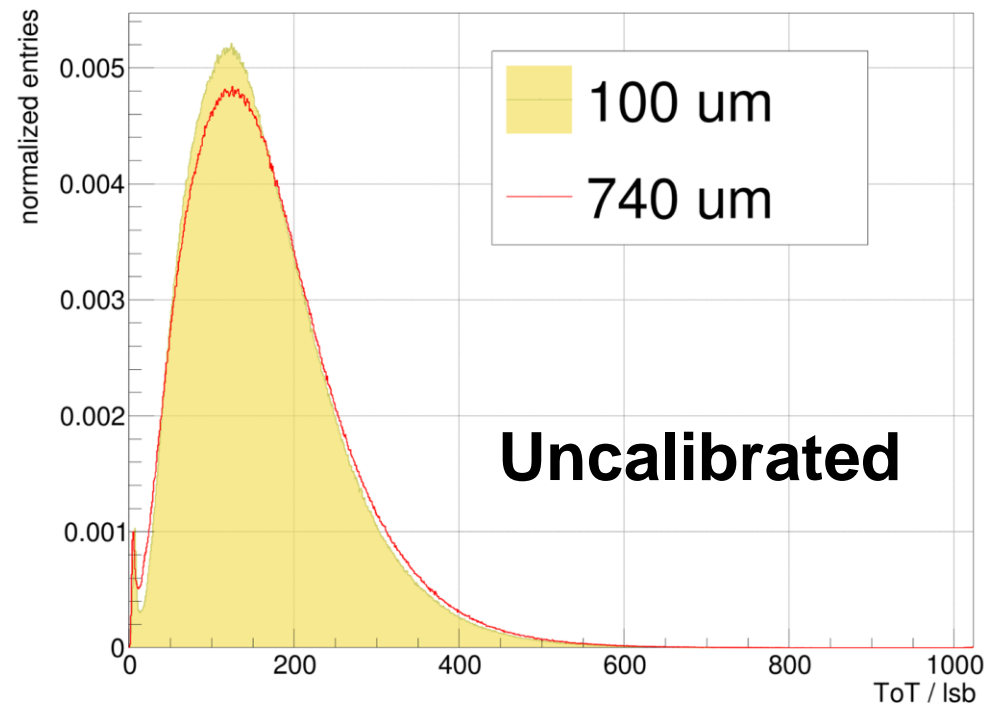
- MPV of thick sensor shifted by $O(2000\text{ e})$
- Larger FWHM for thicker sensor
- Diffusion increases the variation in collected charge
- Significant contribution from diffusion



Strontium-90 Spectrum: -130 V Bias Voltage

- MPV of thick sensor shifted by $O(2000\text{ e})$
- Diffusion leads to expected constant offset in charge collection

Signal Line Crosstalk observed ¹



¹ See also H. Augustin, [Phd Thesis](#)

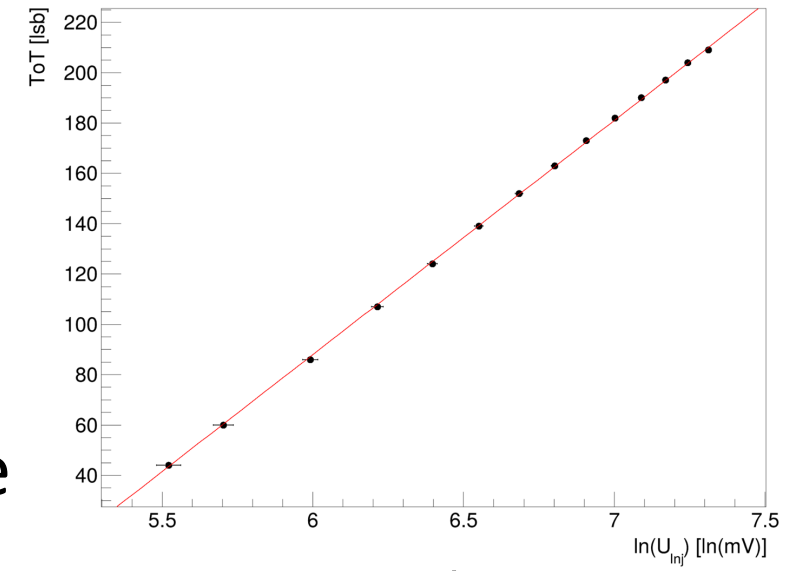
Conclusion & Outlook

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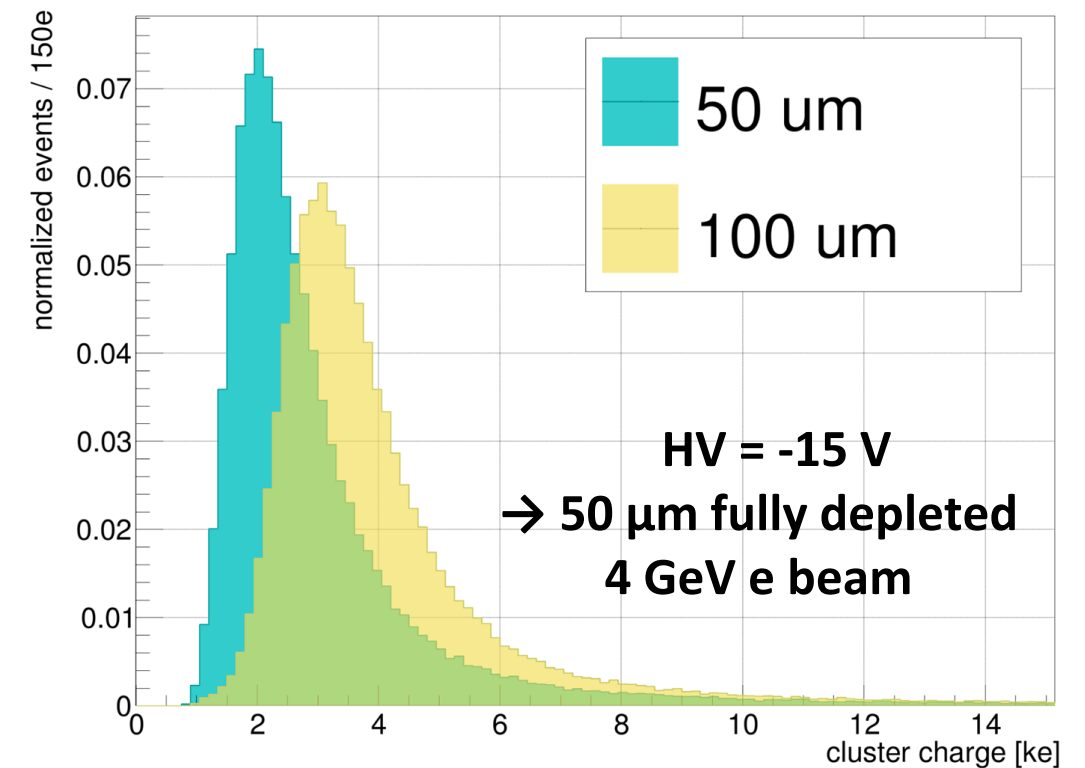
- Cluster size & delay in cluster increases with undepleted substrate
- 30% more collected charge in 100 μm sensor
- Significant contribution of diffusion to the signal is observed!

Next Steps:

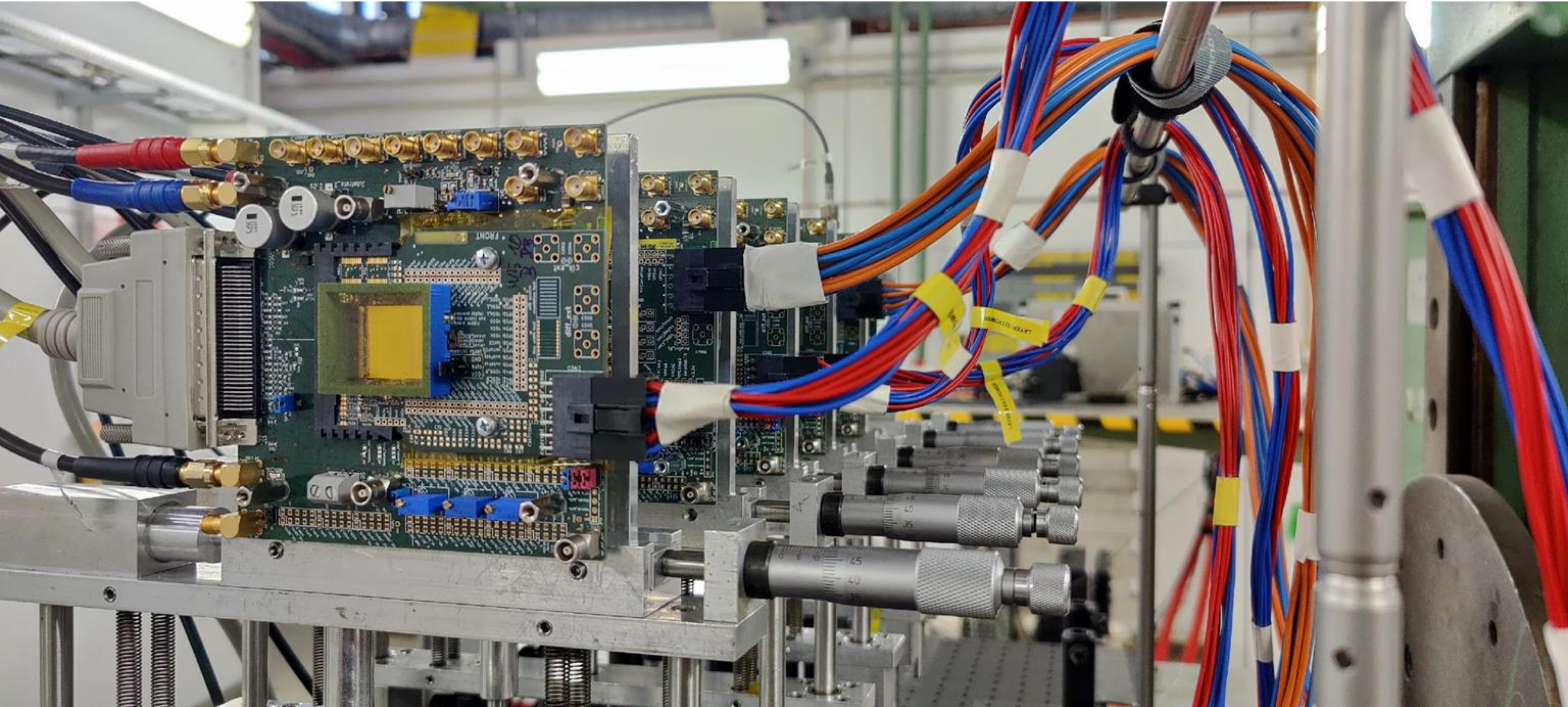
- Calibration for full sensor
- Allpix² simulation to compare with measurements
- Prepare Corryvreckan pull request for *ChargeAnalyzer* & *ChargeCalibration* modules



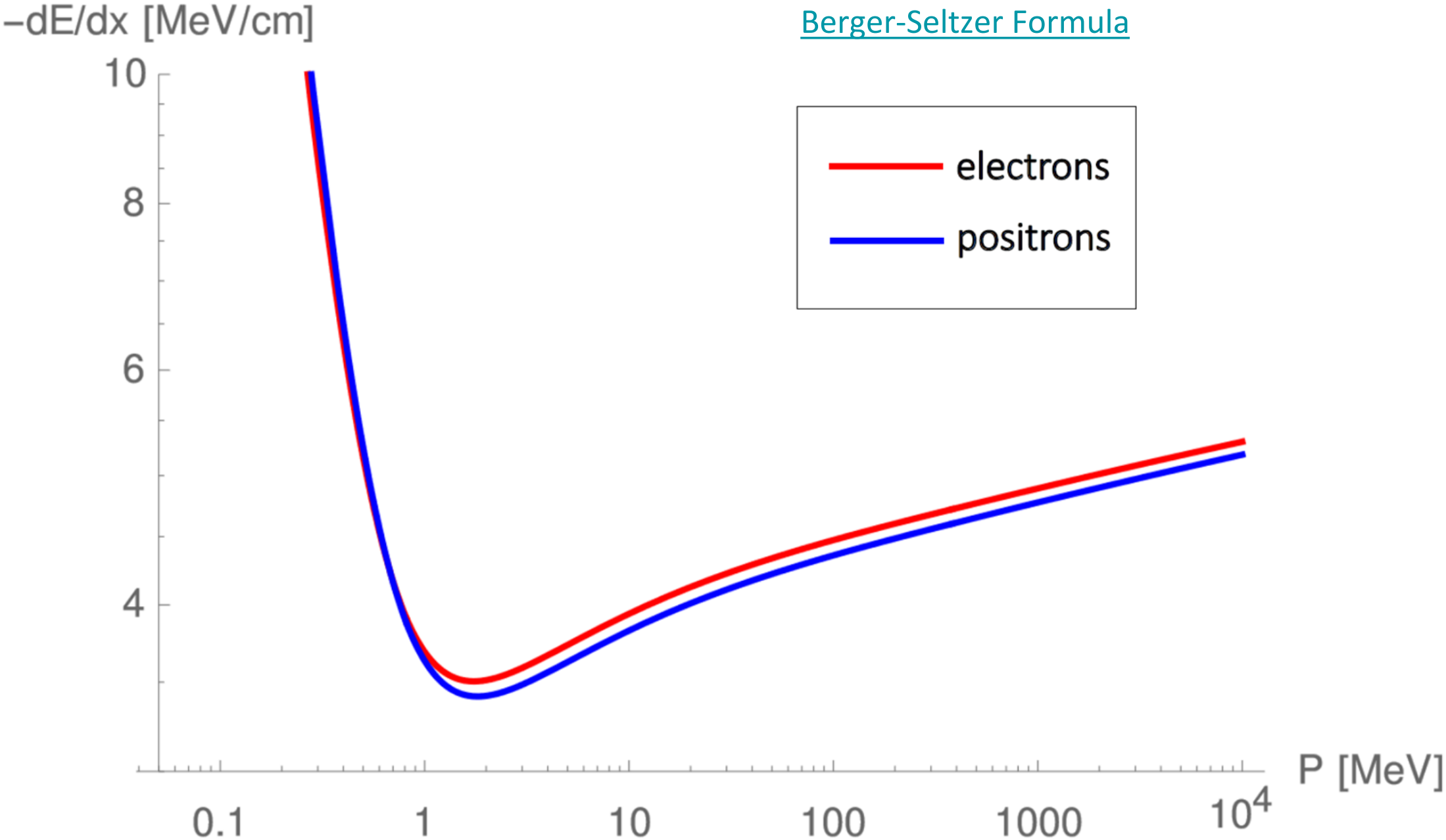
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Questions?



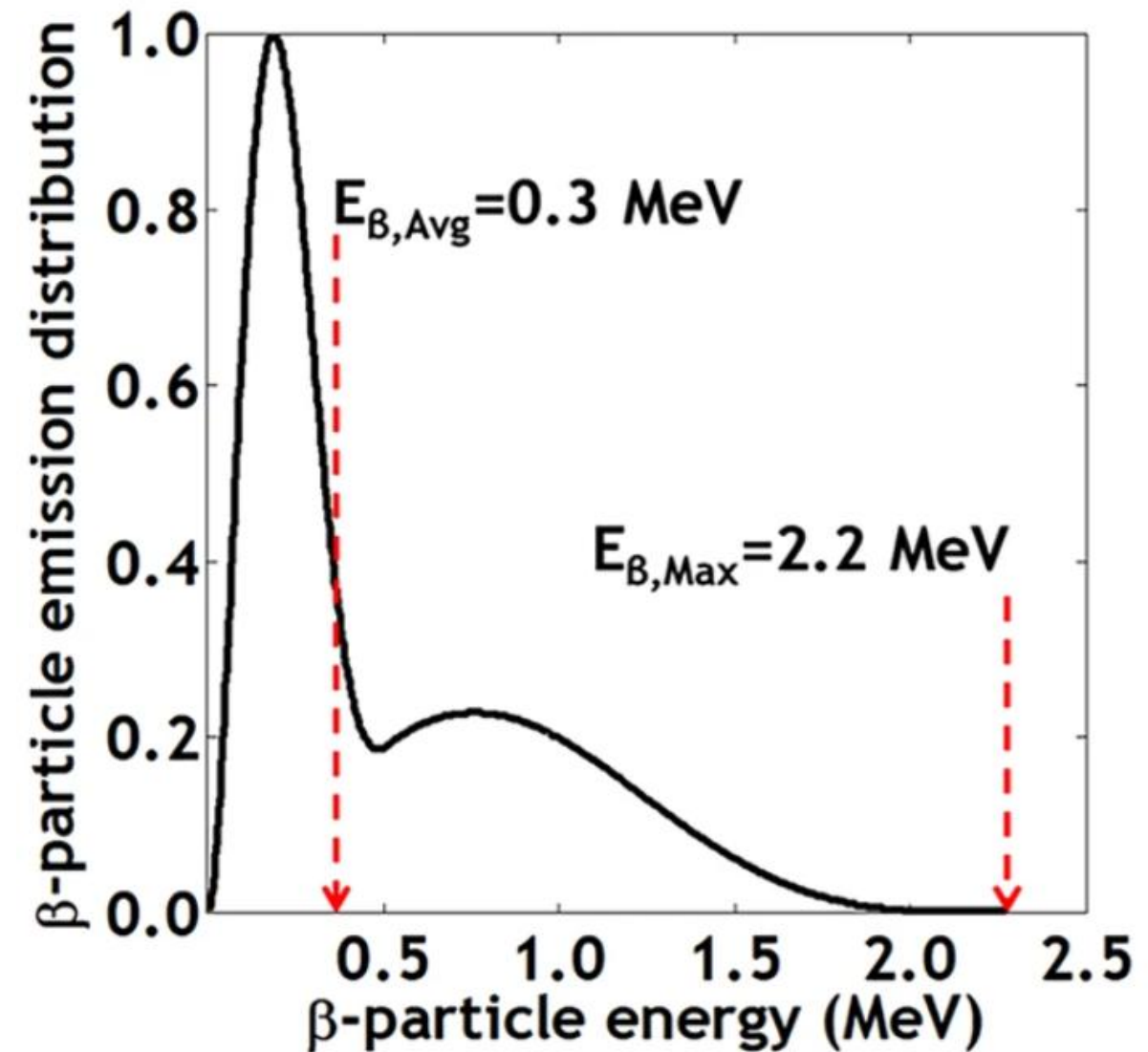
Berger-Seltzer Formula



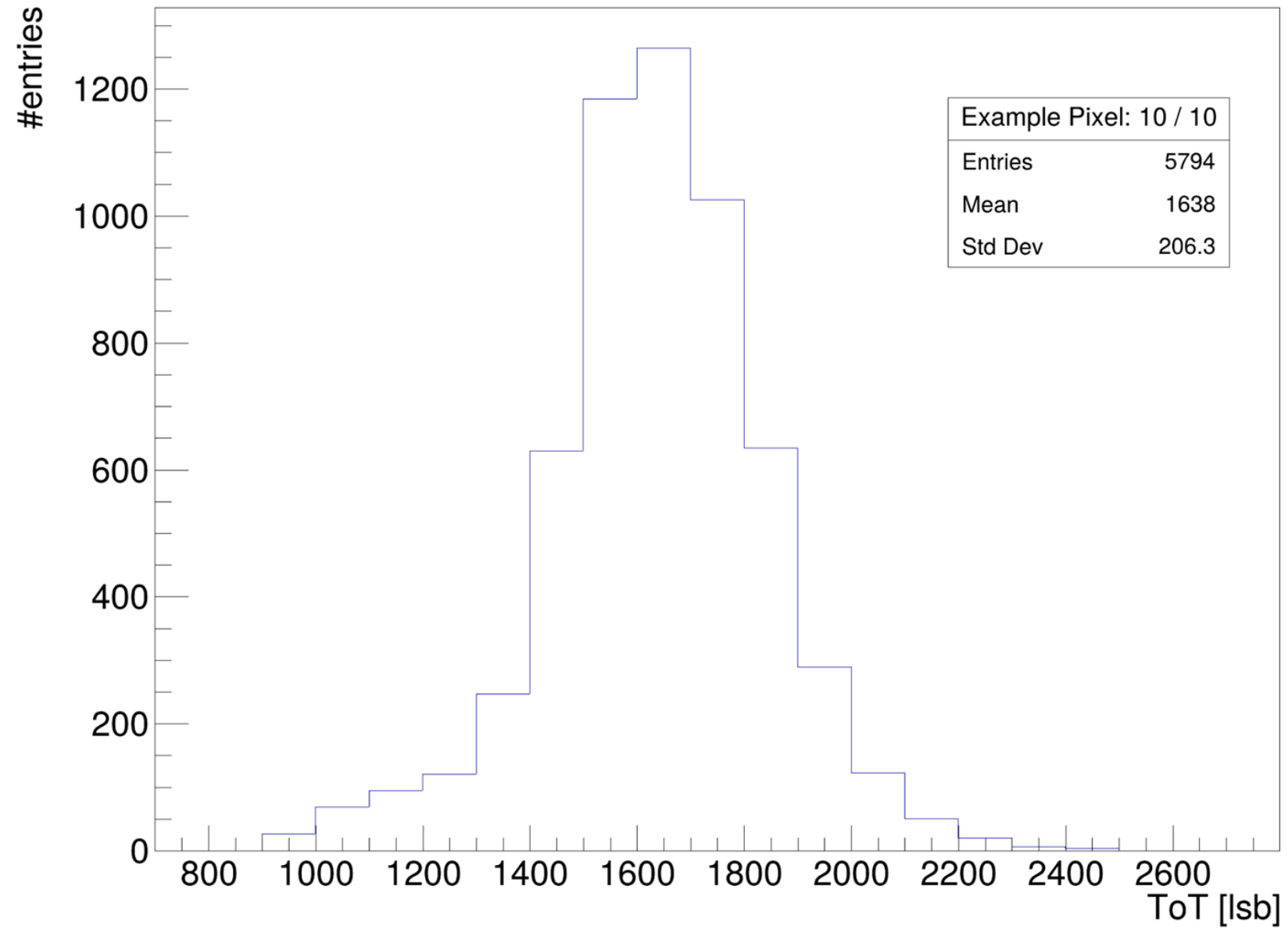
Strontium-90 Calculated Spectrum

- Low energy electrons do not reach the detector
- Additional shift of spectrum towards lower energies by energy loss in air

[Calculated Strontium-90 & Yttrium-90 Spectrum](#)



Calibration of Iron-55 - Single Pixel



Single pixel calibrated charge spectrum