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# Effect of fluence on defect structure of proton-irradiated high-resistivity silicon

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  - Proton irradiated samples
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  - Effect of fluence on defect structure of high-resistivity float-zone Si
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#### **Motivation**

- Fast proton damage in bulk silicon is still not fully understood.
- DLTS samples: n ≥ 1x10<sup>14</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>, fluences ~5 x10<sup>10</sup> 3 x10<sup>13</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup>, annealed at 40 - 400 °C.
- Using a better resolution of experimental system new radiation defect centres can be observed.
- Studies of defect centres in high-resistivity Si-Cz and Si-FZ (net donor concentration below 5x10<sup>12</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>) after proton irradiation with higher fluences (1x10<sup>13</sup> - 1x10<sup>15</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup>) are of great interest.

### Intelligent experimental system for characterisation of defect centres in high-resistivity semiconductors



Schematic illustration of the intelligent experimental setup for characterisation of defect centres in high-resistivity semiconductors

#### **10- MeV proton irradiated samples**

A. High-resistivity bulk Si grown by the Czochralski method in magnetic field, Okmetic

Sample	Fluence (p/cm <sup>2</sup> )	n at 300 K (cm⁻³)	Resistivity at 300 K (Ωcm)	Hall mobility at 300 K (cm²/Vs)	Туре
C00	non- irradiated	3.6x10 <sup>12</sup>	1.08x10 <sup>3</sup>	1585	n
C09	1.8x10 <sup>13</sup>	5.8X10 <sup>10</sup>	1.1x10 <sup>5</sup>	959	n
C12	1.2x10 <sup>14</sup>	6.0x10 <sup>10</sup>	9.6x10 <sup>4</sup>	1094	n

#### **B.** High-resistivity FZ Si, Topsil

Sample	Fluence (p/cm <sup>2</sup> )	n at 300 K (cm⁻³)	Resistivity at 300 K (Ωcm)	Hall mobility at 300 K (cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs)	Туре
Т00	non- irradiated	1.5x10 <sup>12</sup>	2.8x10 <sup>3</sup>	1600	n
T09	1.8x10 <sup>13</sup>	5.8X10 <sup>10</sup>	1.1x10 <sup>5</sup>	967	n
T12	1.2x10 <sup>14</sup>	4.4x10 <sup>10</sup>	1.7x10 <sup>5</sup>	848	n

## Effect of proton fluence on defect structure of Czochralski-grown Si



Experimental spectral fringes obtained as a result of the correlation procedure for defect centres detected in Cz-Si irradiated with fluences of 1.8x10<sup>13</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> (a) and 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> (b). The solid lines illustrate the temperature dependencies of emission rate determined by means of advanced computational analysis for detected defect centres.

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Comparison of 1-D HRPITS spectra obtained as a result of the correlation procedure for high-resistivity Cz-Si samples after 10-MeV proton irradiation with fluences of 1.8x10<sup>13</sup> and 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup>.

Summary of the properties and concentrations of defect centres detected by the HRPITS method in high-resistivity Cz-Si after 10-MeV proton irradiation with fluences of 1.8x10<sup>13</sup> and 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup>

Trap	Ea	A [s <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-2</sup> ]	$\sigma_e \text{ or } \sigma_h$ [cm <sup>2</sup> ]	Trap concentration $N_T$ [cm <sup>-3</sup> ]		Identification/
label	[meV]			$\Phi = 1.8 \times 10^{13}$ [p/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	$\Phi = 1.2 \times 10^{14}$ [p/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	Remarks
TC1	15	2.0x10 <sup>4</sup>	1.9x10 <sup>-17</sup>	$1.9 \mathrm{x} 10^{14}$	$2.3 \times 10^{14}$	shallow donor ; e
TC2	25	2.5x10 <sup>4</sup>	$2.4 \times 10^{-17}$	$3.2 \times 10^{14}$	$4.0  mmx 10^{14}$	shallow donor ; e
TC3	35	$2.7 \times 10^4$	$2.5 \times 10^{-17}$	$4.5  ext{x} 10^{14}$	not observed	shallow donor ; e
TC4	45	1.5x10 <sup>4</sup>	$1.4 \times 10^{-17}$	$7.4 \mathrm{x} 10^{14}$	1.0x10 <sup>15</sup>	shallow donor ; e
TC5	125	3.5x10 <sup>6</sup>	$3.3 \times 10^{-15}$	not observed	2.1x10 <sup>15</sup>	$C_{i}^{-0}; e$
TC6	135	3.8x10 <sup>4</sup>	-	$1.2 \times 10^{15}$	$2.2 \times 10^{15}$	TX3, H-related ?
TC7	165	$2.0 \times 10^{6}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.0 \mathrm{x} 10^{15}$	$2.1 \times 10^{15}$	$VO_i^{-/0} + C_iC_s(A)^{-/0}; e$
TC8	185	$4.0 \times 10^7$	$1.5 \times 10^{-14}$	not observed	$2.6 \times 10^{15}$	$V_2^{+/0}$ ; <i>h</i>
TC9	230	$4.0 \times 10^{6}$	$3.8 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.4 \times 10^{15}$	$2.9 \times 10^{15}$	$V_2^{2-/-}; e$
TC10	250	$1.0 \times 10^{6}$	$3.8 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.6 \times 10^{15}$	$1.8 \times 10^{15}$	VOH <sup>+/0</sup> ; <i>h</i>
TC11	285	9.0x10 <sup>5</sup>	$3.4 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.9 \times 10^{15}$	1.9x10 <sup>15</sup>	H-related; <i>h</i>
TC12	315	6.0x10 <sup>5</sup>	6.1x10 <sup>-16</sup>	$1.2 \times 10^{15}$	1.6x10 <sup>15</sup>	E3 (H-related), VOH <sup>-</sup> <sup>/0</sup> ; <i>e</i>
TC13	340	5.0x10 <sup>6</sup>	$1.9 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.8 \times 10^{15}$	$1.4 \times 10^{15}$	$C_i O_i^{+/0}$ or $C_i O_i V$ ; <i>h</i>
TC14	430	$1.0 \times 10^7$	$9.4 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.2 \times 10^{15}$	9.6x10 <sup>14</sup>	$V_2^{-/0}; e$

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TF1	17	$5.2 \times 10^4$	4.9x10 <sup>-17</sup>	$1.4 \mathrm{x} 10^{14}$	2.1x10 <sup>14</sup>	shallow donor ; e
TF2	40	$1.2 \times 10^5$	1.1x10 <sup>-16</sup>	$1.7 \mathrm{x} 10^{14}$	$4.6 \times 10^{14}$	shallow donor ; e
TF3	100	$7.2 \times 10^{6}$	2.7x10 <sup>-15</sup>	not observed	5.3x10 <sup>14</sup>	$C_iC_s(A)^{+/0}$ ; h
TF4	127	$2.2 \times 10^{6}$	2.1x10 <sup>-15</sup>	$1.1 x 10^{14}$	9.0x10 <sup>14</sup>	C <sub>i</sub> -⁄0 ; <i>e</i>
TF5	135	1.3x10 <sup>8</sup>	-	not observed	2.3x10 <sup>15</sup>	self-interstitial agglomerate (I)
TF6	170	$3.5 \times 10^7$	3.3x10 <sup>-14</sup>	$1.1 \times 10^{15}$	$3.4 \times 10^{15}$	$VO_i^{-/0} + C_iC_s(A)^{-/0}; e$
TF7	201	1.3x10 <sup>8</sup>	4.9x10 <sup>-14</sup>	3.8x10 <sup>15</sup>	3.1x10 <sup>15</sup>	$V_2^{+/0}$ ; <i>h</i>
TF8	210	$4.8 \times 10^{6}$	$4.5 \times 10^{-15}$	2.9x10 <sup>15</sup>	2.5x10 <sup>15</sup>	Е (115) ; е
TF9	227	$2.7 \times 10^5$	2.5x10 <sup>-16</sup>	$1.2 \times 10^{15}$	2.7x10 <sup>15</sup>	$V_2^{2-/-}; e$
TF10	255	$3.4 \times 10^5$	1.3x10 <sup>-16</sup>	not observed	3.6x10 <sup>15</sup>	$\operatorname{VOH}^{+/0}; h$
TF11	262	$5.2 \times 10^7$	2.0x10 <sup>-14</sup>	8.6x10 <sup>14</sup>	2.9x10 <sup>15</sup>	${ m C_i H^{+/0}}$ ; $h$
TF12	360	1.0x10 <sup>6</sup>	3.8x10 <sup>-16</sup>	$3.3 \times 10^{15}$	2.6x10 <sup>15</sup>	$C_i O_i^{+/0}$ or $C_i O_i V$ ; <i>h</i>
TF13	470	1.9x10 <sup>7</sup>	1.8x10 <sup>-14</sup>	$3.5 \times 10^{14}$	5.6x10 <sup>15</sup>	$V_2^{-/0}; e$
TF14	501	1.3x10 <sup>8</sup>	$4.9 \times 10^{-14}$	not observed	$3.2 \times 10^{15}$	H-related complex; <i>h</i>
TF15	574	$2.0 \times 10^7$	7.6x10 <sup>-15</sup>	not observed	1.8x10 <sup>15</sup>	I-centre $(V_2O)^{0/-}$ ; h
TF16	597	8.7x10 <sup>8</sup>	8.2x10 <sup>-13</sup>	not observed	1.5x10 <sup>15</sup>	<i>E (325),</i> multivacancy, N, or H - related ; <i>e</i>

### **Conclusions (I)**

- HRPITS technique with implementation of computational intelligence has been employed to studying the effect of fluence on defect structure of 10-MeV proton irradiated FZ and Cz silicon with starting net donor concentrations of 1.5x10<sup>12</sup> and 3.6x10<sup>12</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>, respectively.
- The irradiation of Cz-Si with fluences of 1.8x10<sup>13</sup> and 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> resulted in the formation of 12 and 14 defect centres, respectively, with activation energies ranging from 15 to 430 meV.
- For the lower fluence the predominant defects in Cz-Si were found to be an H-related complex (285 meV) and C<sub>i</sub>O<sub>i</sub><sup>+/0</sup> (340 meV).
- For the higher fluence the predominant defects in Cz-Si were found to be divacancies V<sub>2</sub><sup>2-/-</sup> (230 meV) and V<sub>2</sub><sup>+/0</sup> (185 meV).

### **Conclusions (II)**

- The irradiation of FZ-Si with fluences of 1.8x10<sup>13</sup> and 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> resulted in the formation of 10 radiation defects with activation energies ranging from 17 to 470 meV and 16 defects with activation energies in the range of 17-597 meV, respectively.
- For the lower fluence the predominant defects in FZ-Si were found to be the divacancy  $V_2^{+/0}$  (185 meV) and  $C_iO_i^{+/0}$  (340 meV).
- For the higher fluence the predominant defects in FZ-Si were found to be the divacancy  $V_2^{-/0}$  (470 meV) and VOH<sup>+/0</sup> complex (255 meV).
- Comparison of the defect structure of Cz-Si and FZ-Si indicates that the defects occurring in the both materials after the irradiation with the lower fluence are:  $VO_i^{-/0}+C_iC_s(A)^{-/0}$ ,  $V_2^{2^{-/-}}$ ,  $C_iO_i^{+/0}$  and  $V_2^{-/0}$ . For the higher fluence apart from these defects the common defects are:  $C_i^{-/0}$ ,  $V_2^{+/0}$ ,  $VOH^{+/0}$ .
- The irradiation of high-resistivity FZ-Si with a fluence of 1.2x10<sup>14</sup> p/cm<sup>2</sup> results in the formation of midgap centres with activation energies 501, 574 and 597 meV attributed to an H-related complex, V<sub>2</sub>O<sup>0/-</sup> and an unidentified defect, respectively.

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