# A 3D High Resolution Detector for X-and Gamma-ray Astronomy

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### **Semiconductor Detector Developments at DTU**

- Novel RT Compounds: InP, GaAs, CdTe, CdZnTe, HgI2 , TlBr...
- Compared to the Si and Ge detectors
  - Higher quantum efficiency achieved due to larger atomic number (  $\sigma \sim Z^{4.5}$ )
  - No cryogenic cooling equipment needed
- Disadvantages:
  - Ineffective charge collection due to hole trapping
  - Difficult to produce large area defect free single crystals
  - Material in-homogeneities
- Research and test program in connection with the development of the X -and Gamma ray sensor (MXGS) for the ASIM mission



# **MXGS Front-End Electronics**





4 identical Detector Assembly Unit (DAU) create the total detector area of 1024  $\rm cm^2$  for MXGS



### CZT: 4 x 20 mm x 20 mm x 5 mm Pixel pitch:2.5 mm









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## **Working Principle of the MXGS Instrument**





# **CdZnTe drift pixel detectors**





#### The DTU drift detector with wire connections





The principle of the DSM. The structure consists of a planar electrode on one side and strips on the other. A drift strip detector cell is shown between the dashed lines marked with A and B. Each drift detector consists of 8 drift strip electrodes and one anode readout strip.

### **2D Position Capability**







#### Beam 50 um x 50 um @ 500 keV



# **Y-position using DOI technique**



Depends on non-correlated electronic noise and electron range in the CZT material



Compton continuum

Measured position resolution obtained from Compton electrons well fits with the model.

$$\Delta y = (\Delta y^2$$
noise  $+\Delta y^2$ el-range)<sup>0.5</sup>

Photo peaks

Measured position resolution obtained from photoelectrons well fits with the model.

# **3D CZT Detector**



General requirements for the high energy astrophysics instrumentation sensors are : high efficiency, good spatial resolution, good spectroscopic resolution

ESA development project:"3D CZT High Resolution Detectors 4000104191/11/NL/CBi".



# TEST AT ESRF



100-600 keV monochromatic beam. 50x50 μm



3DCZT prototype (CZT detector: 20 mm x 20 mm x 5 mm).

#### ESRF 400 keV XY Scanning







### **X, Y Position Resolutions**





Position resolution along the X direction

Position resolution along the Y direction.



#### ESRF 400 keV Z Scanning



Z-scan (mm)

# **Z** position Resolution





The measured beam position dependence of the actual beam position in the Z direction.

# Conclusion

- A 3D CZT X- and gamma ray proto-type detector has been designed, fabricated and tested.
- The detector demonstrates sub mm position resolutions in all 3 dimensions.
- The spectral resolution is  $\Delta E/E \sim 1\%@~662 \text{ keV}$
- The detector module could be a suitable building block for a Compton Camera telescope. E.g. as a 3D position sensitive calorimeter.
- This detector could serve as focal instrument for a soft gamma-ray telescope and would provide capability for polarisation measurements.
- These options are beeing investigated at DTU Space. See also talk of Finn Christensen