

Problems due to HIPs & Pinholes



Review of work done by Hall, Raymond, Bainbridge (IC) and by Chierici, Huhtinen, Krammer & Hammarstrom

Introduction

- What are HIPs and pinholes ???
- Internal workings of the APV ...
- > History lesson: APV instability and how it was fixed.
- > How HIPS & pinholes affect the APV.
- The HIP effect and how to solve it.
- The pinhole effect and how to solve it.



Introduction What are HIPs and Pinholes ???



HIPs

- Highly Ionizing Particle produced in nuclear interaction of particle crossing the silicon (a rare phenomenon).
- HIP gives big signal on a few strips.
 - > This can saturate (disable) entire APV (128 channels) for ~200 ns.

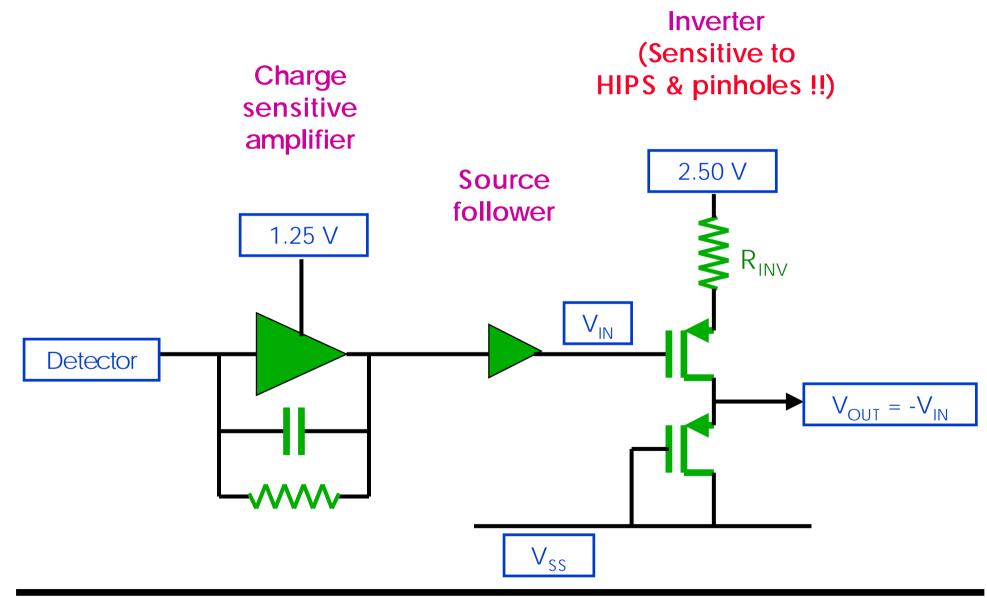
Pinholes

- Detector strips are capacitively coupled to APV.
- The capacitors can occasionally have a short circuit (pinhole).
 - > Can give continual (DC) current into APV, which can permanently disable APV.
 - \triangleright (Problem only arises if I_{leak} is big and several pinholes are present.)



Introduction Internal Workings of the APV





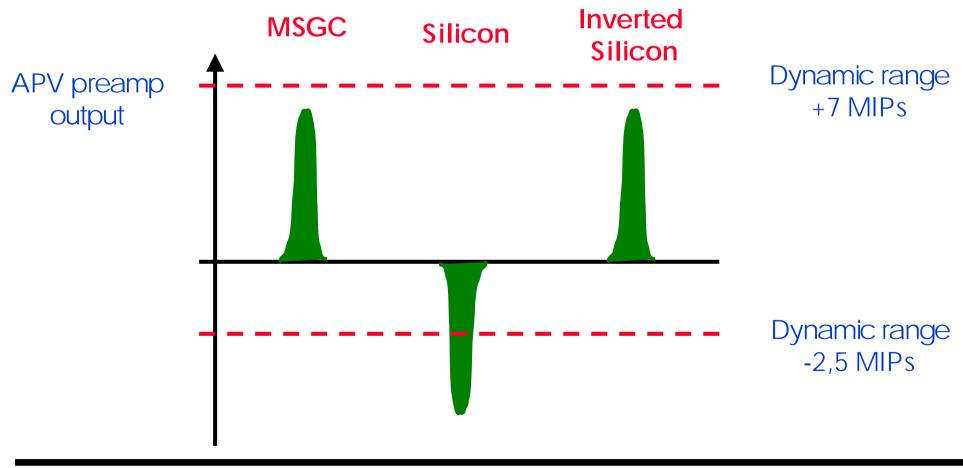


Introduction Internal Workings of the APV



Why is the inverter there?

- It increases APV dynamic range for silicon strip detector.

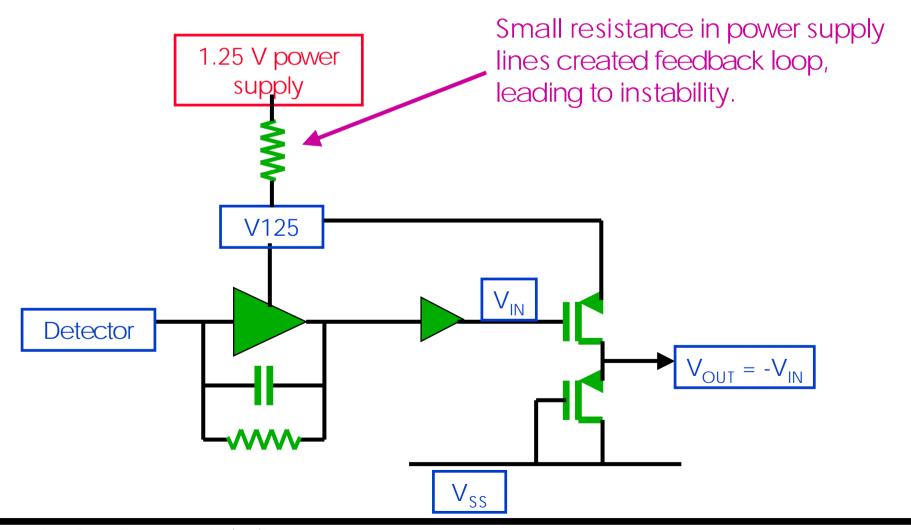




A History Lesson: APV Instability and how it was fixed.



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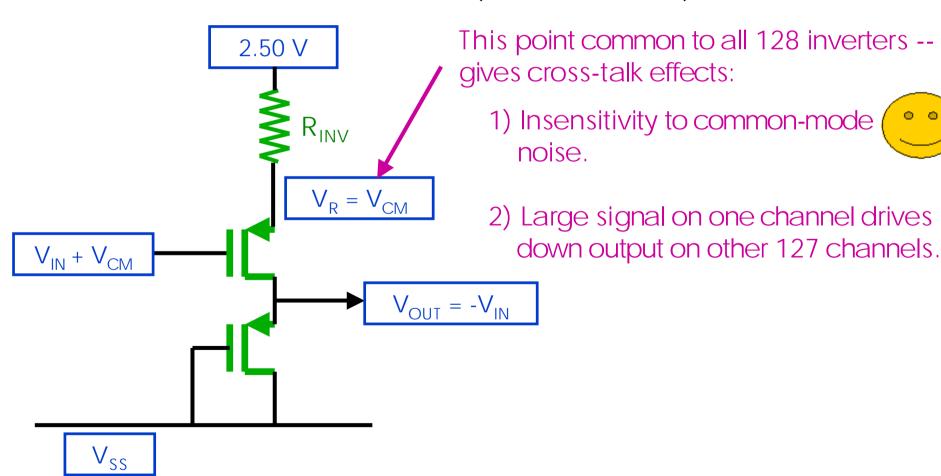


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Solution ...

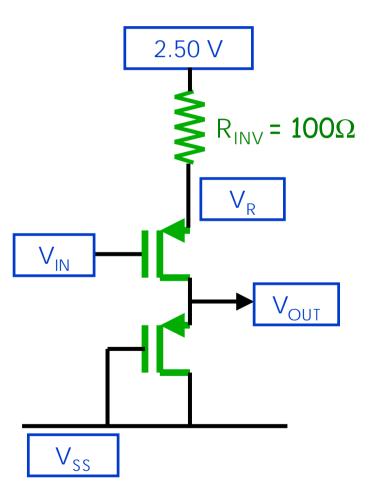
Power inverter from 2.50 V instead (via 100Ω resistor).





Introduction How HIPs & Pinholes affect the APV





- ❖ Big signal from silicon (holes) gives -ve pulse at V_{IN}:
 - ➤Inverter FET switches hard on, which steals current from 127 other inverters.

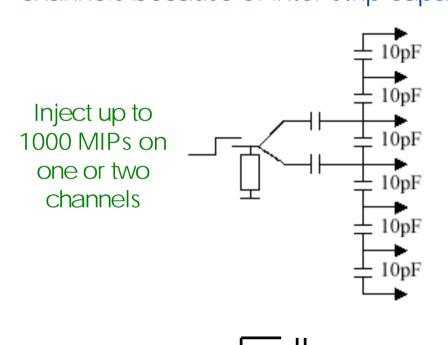
 (APV disabled until capacitor discharges.)
 - ➤ N.B. If R_{INV} were reduced, total current available to inverters would increase.
- ❖Leakage current via pinhole into APV :
 - ➤ Same again, but permanent.
- ❖Leakage current via pinhole out of APV :
 - Inverter FET switches hard off. Takes no current, so other 127 channels still work.



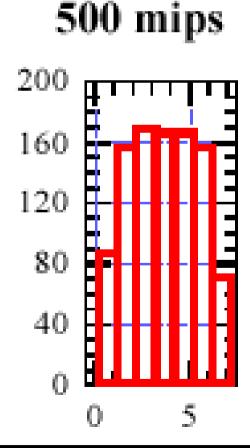


APV Dead-Time Measurement by Charge Injection

Expect a HIP to deposit charge on one or two strips (based on FLUKA simulation). However, this charge will be spread over several APV input channels because of inter-strip capacitive couplings. So ...



Spread it to several channels with 'inter-strip capacitors'



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Inject 1 MIP on-

one other

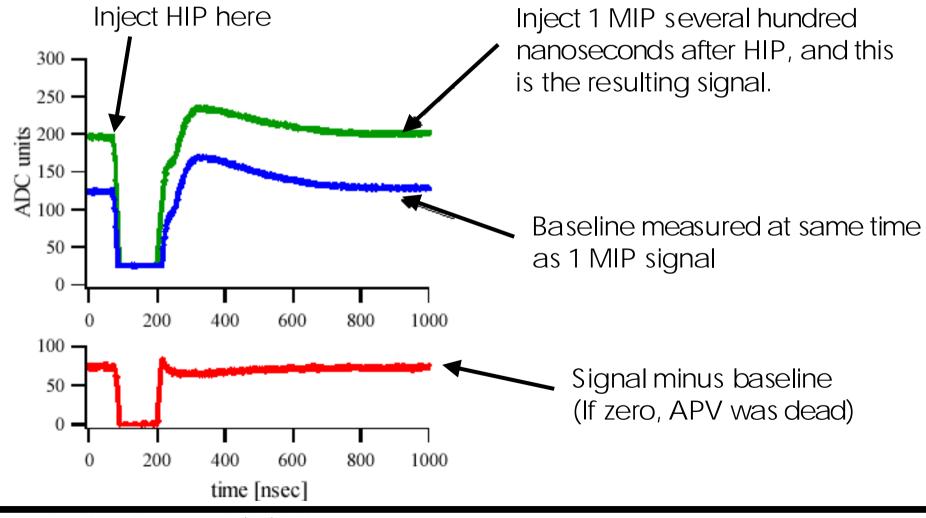
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Dead-time Measurement Technique



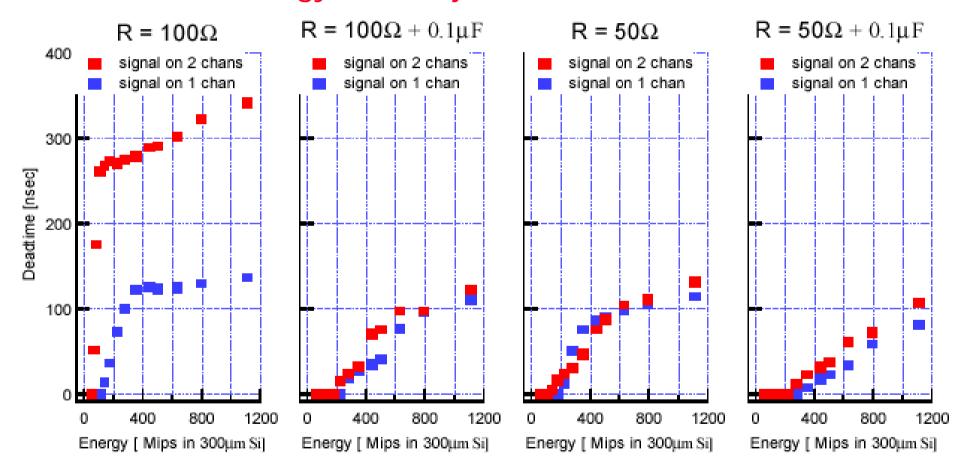
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Dead-time vs. HIP energy for HIP injected on 1 or 2 channels.



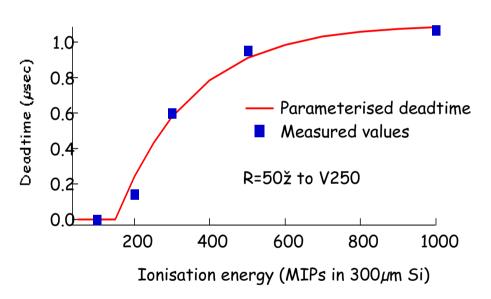
N.B. Dead-time decreases if R_{INV} reduced to 50Ω or if R_{INV} bypassed by capacitor (Expected from SPICE simulation).



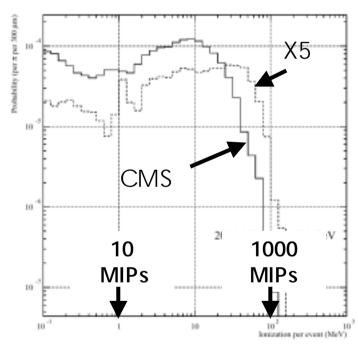


Estimate APV inefficiency at CMS.

Measured dead-time versus HIP energy



FLUKA estimates of Prob. (HIP energy)



Inefficiency = Σ Prob(E) × [deadtime(E)/25ns] ×128 × occupancy

If HIP injected on two channels:

Inefficiency = 0.65% per percent occupancy if R_{INV} = 100 Ω but only 0.05% per percent occupancy if R_{INV} = 50 Ω !!!

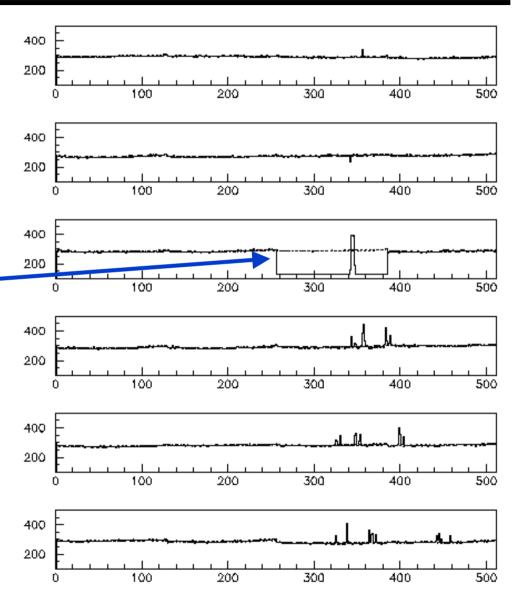




Observations in X5 Test-Beam

Typical Hip event:

 Saturated baseline, with large, wide cluster.





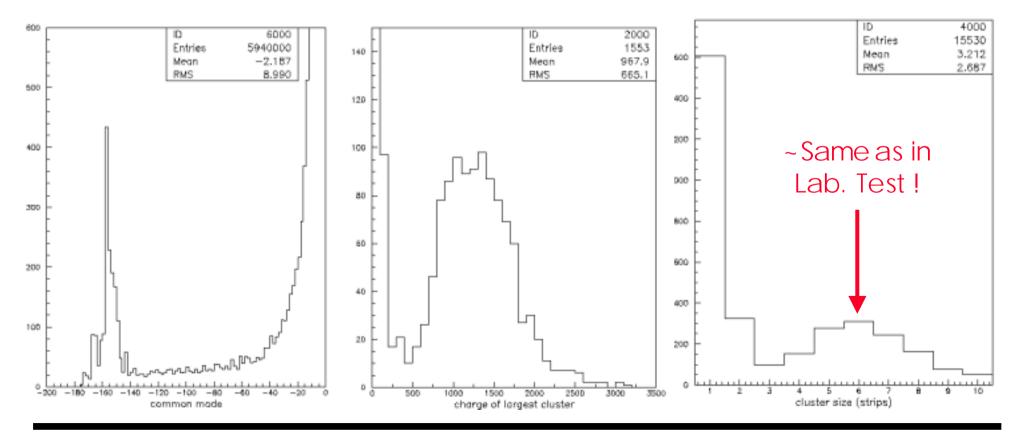


Observations in X5 Test-Beam

Common mode [ADC channels]

Total charge of largest cluster [ADC channels]

Cluster width [strips]







Observed HIP rate in X5 Test-Beam

- Observed HIP (= saturated baseline plus HIP signal) rate:
 - 4×10⁻⁴ per detector per incident pion.
 - 3×10⁻⁶ per detector per incident muon (no nuclear interactions!)
- Estimated HIP energy needed to saturate baseline
 8 18 MeV (based on Lab. Measurements)
 or 50 MeV (from theory if APV assumed to be linear).

• FLUKA estimates prob. that pion gives HIP energy of more than this is (1 -- 5) ×10⁻⁴. It agrees with test-beam measurement!





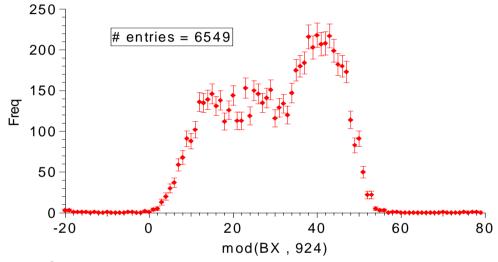
Observed APV dead-time in X5 Test-Beam

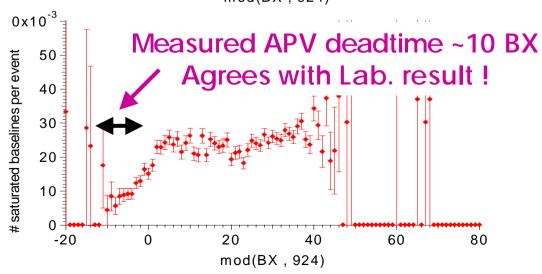
X5 beam consisted of trains about 48 BX long.

Triggers occur throughout train

Probability of saturated baseline small at start of train as can't be HIP in preceeding bunch crossings.

Probability saturates later in train.







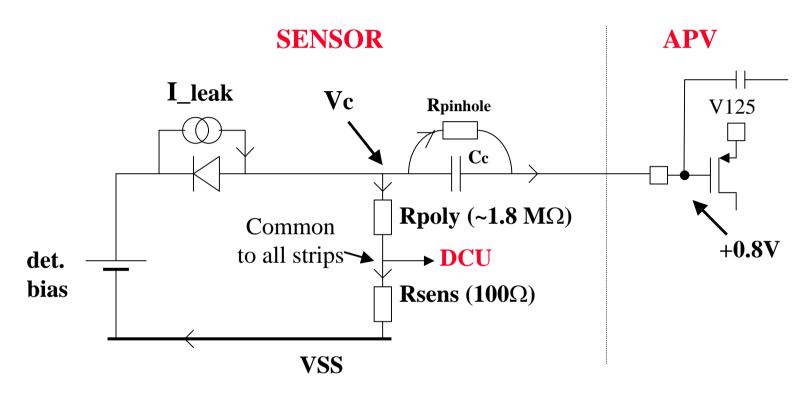


HIP Conclusion

- If R_{INV} reduced to 50Ω , HIP effect gives only 0.05% APV inefficiency per percent tracker occupancy.
 - Negligible, so problem seems solved!
- Lab tests, FLUKA HIP simulation, SPICE electronics simulation and test-beam are mutually consistent.
- Results worsen if HIP charge injected on more channels, so check if Lab. Test assumptions are realistic.







If Vc > 0.8 Volts, current flows into APV via pinhole (BAD). If Vc < 0.8 Volts, current flows out of APV via pinhole (OK).

Vc will exceed 0.8 Volts in old detector with large leakage current.

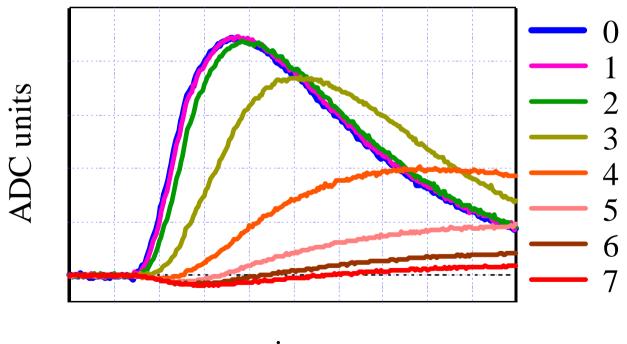
Possible solution: If Rpoly and Rsens could be reduced, Vc would good down!





Laboratory Measurements of Pinhole Effect

Inject 1 μ A of (pinhole leakage) current into 1-7 APV channels. Then inject a 1 MIP charge into 1 other channel and see what it looks like:



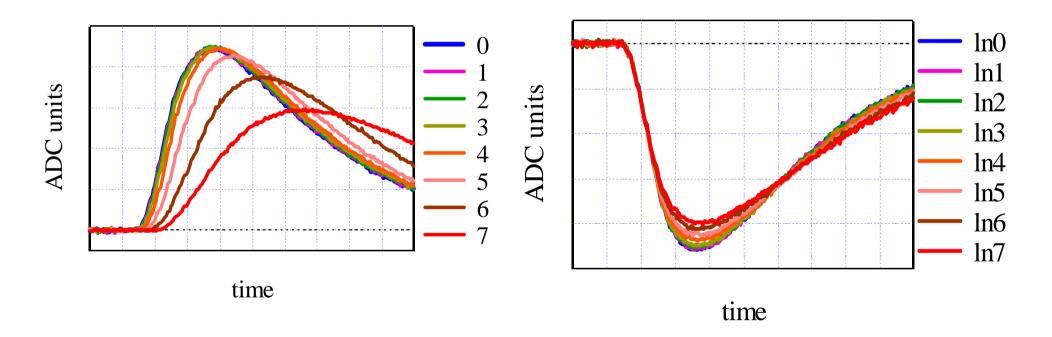
If $R_{INV} = 100\Omega$ signal pulse shape suffers if > 2 pinholes!

time





Laboratory Measurements of Pinhole Effect



If $R_{\text{INV}} = 50\Omega$, signal pulse shape suffers if > 4 pinholes !

If APV inverter switched off, signal pulse shape OK for > 7 pinholes!





Pinhole Conclusions

- If R_{INV} reduced to 50Ω , APV can tolerate up to 4 pinholes (per 128 channels).
 - > N.B. Accepted modules will have < 1% (2%?) pinholes.
 - > N.B. CDF observes that very few new pinholes appear during running in their Layer00 (single-sided ST + Hamermatsu detectors).
- If some APVs see >4 pinholes during CMS running, then we can switch off their inverters.
 - > They will continue to function, with reduced dynamic range.





For completeness ...

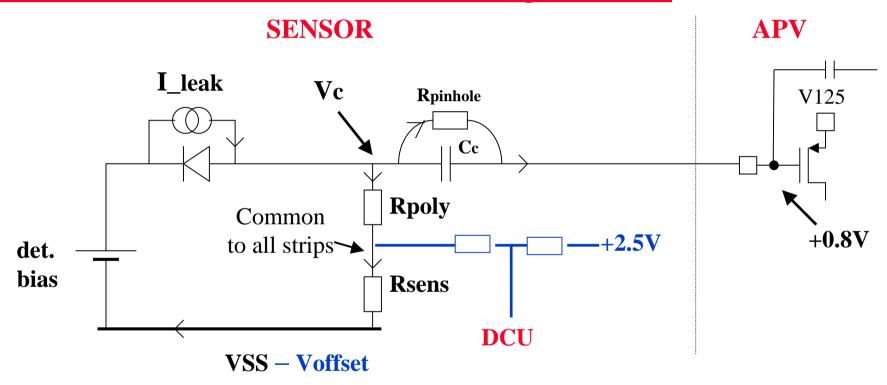
Other possible solutions:

- Reduce Rpoly (very difficult) and Rsens (easier, but degrades DCU's I_leak measurement).
- Redesign APV (very difficult delays project by ~1.5 years and costs money).
- Use `Hammarstrom' detector biasing scheme (interesting worth considering).





The Hammarstrom Detector Biasing Scheme



- Reducing high voltage reference point by Voffset.
- ❖That reduces Vc too, so it never exceeds 0.8 Volts and APV stays alive.
- However, makes DCU sample point too negative, so need voltage divider to bring it back within DCU input range.



Final Conclusions



- Advise reducing R_{INV} from 100Ω to 50Ω (easy):
 - > Reduces APV inefficiency from HIP effect to 0.05% per percent tracker occupancy (negligible).
 - > Allows APV to tolerate up to 4 pin-holes.
- If some APVs suffer > 4 pin-holes during running, propose to switch off their inverter, so they continue working (with reduced dynamic range).
- Hammarstrom biasing scheme eliminates APV pin-hole problem should be considered.
- Other solutions (Reducing Rpoly or APV redesign)
 VERY PAINFUL and UNNECESSARY.