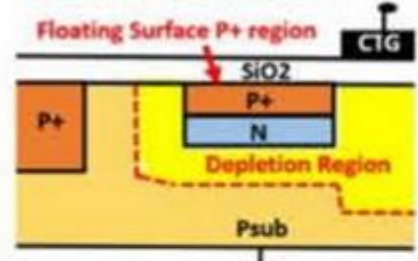


NEC IEDM1982 paper was not Pinned Photodiode by definition.

Difference of Buried Photodiode and Pinned Photodiode

Figure 5 does not have the P+ channel stop nearby.

Buried Photodiode



Serious Image Lag Problem

NEC IEDM1982 Paper

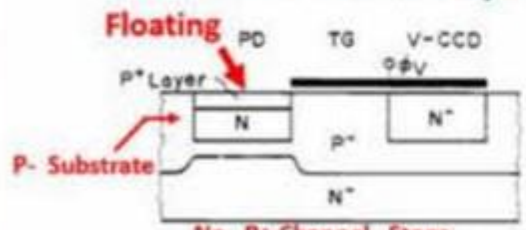


Fig. 5. No P+ Channel Stops
P+NP+ structure photodiode
(a) Unit cell cross sectional view

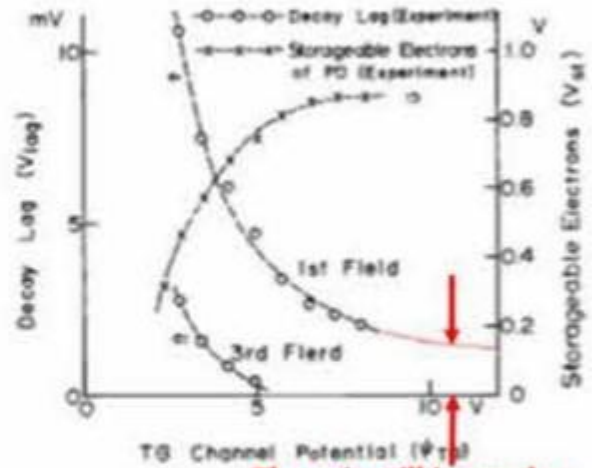


Fig. 6. Storageable electrons vs. transfer gate channel potential, and decay lag vs. transfer gate channel potential in the P+NP+ structure photodiode

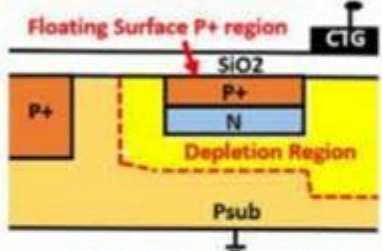
NEC IEDM1982 Paper reported Image Lag

Figure 6 shows that there is still image lag at the CTG gate voltage of > 10 volt.

A long P+ Surface Stripe also has a serious RC delay.

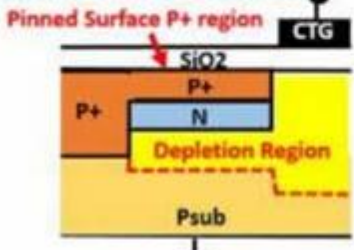
Pinned Photodiode Must Have the Grounded P+ Channel Stops Nearby.

Buried Photodiode



Serious Image Lag Problem

Pinned Photodiode



No Image Lag Problem

The resistivity ρ of the P+ hole accumulation layer is given by

$$\rho = R * W * d / L$$

In the 2/3 inch optical lens system, we have the optical image size of 8.8 mm (H) x 6.6 mm (V) which was a common size in 1980s. Hence, we then have $L = 6.6 \text{ mm} = 6600 \mu\text{m}$

The short wave blue light cannot penetrate more than $d = 0.2 \mu\text{m}$ into the silicon crystal in depth. Hagiwara reported in SSDM1978 paper $Q_d = 2 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ which gives $N_d = Q_d / d = 1 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

For $N_d = 1 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, we have $\rho = 0.04 \text{ ohm cm} = 400 \text{ ohm } \mu\text{m}$

$$RC = \{ L \rho / (W * d) \} \{ \epsilon W * L / X_o \} = \epsilon \rho L^2 / (d X_o)$$

We have $\epsilon = 216 \text{ e/volt } \mu\text{m}$ for silicon oxide and $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coulomb}$

$$RC = (216) (1.6 \times 10^{-19}) (400)(6600)(6600) / (0.2)/(0.1) \text{ sec}$$

$RC = 30.1 \mu\text{sec}$ while one frame is $1/60 \text{ sec} = 16.7 \text{ msec}$ and the Vertical CCD register clock period is $16.7/500 = 33.4 \mu\text{sec}$

Hence RC delay time may not be ignored and surface P+ may be floating ?