

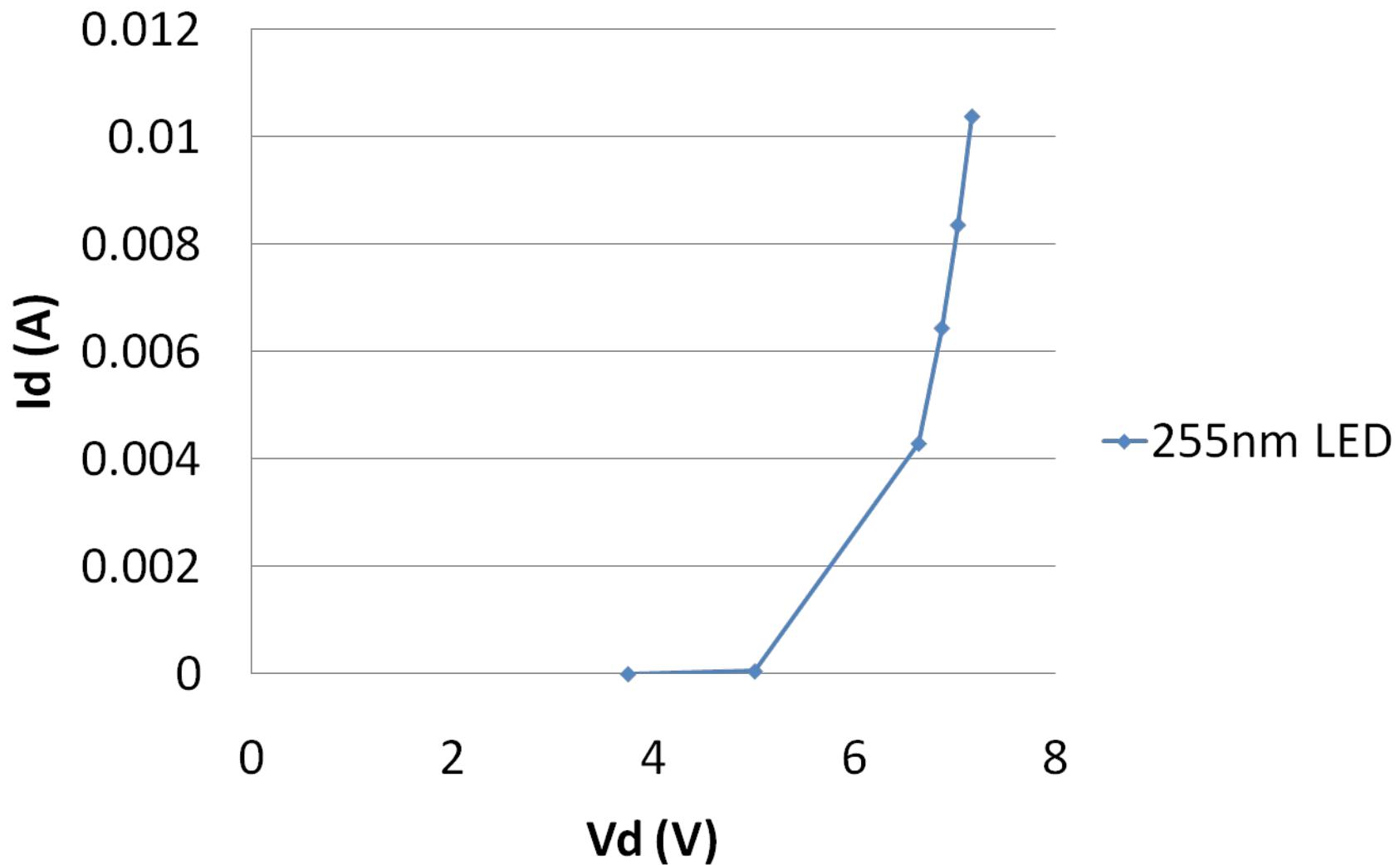
# LAr TPC

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# LEDs

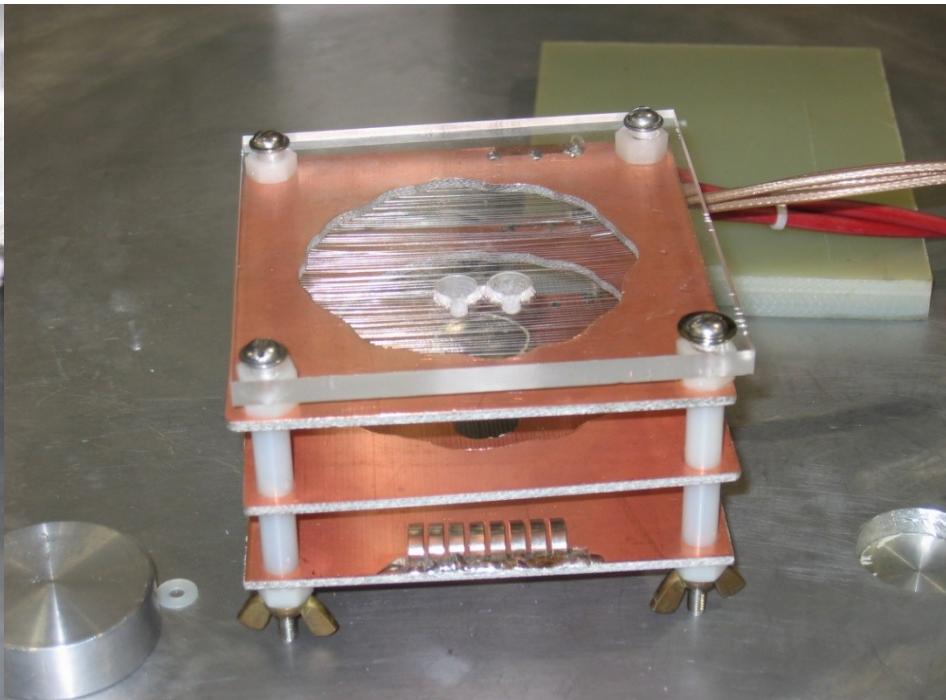
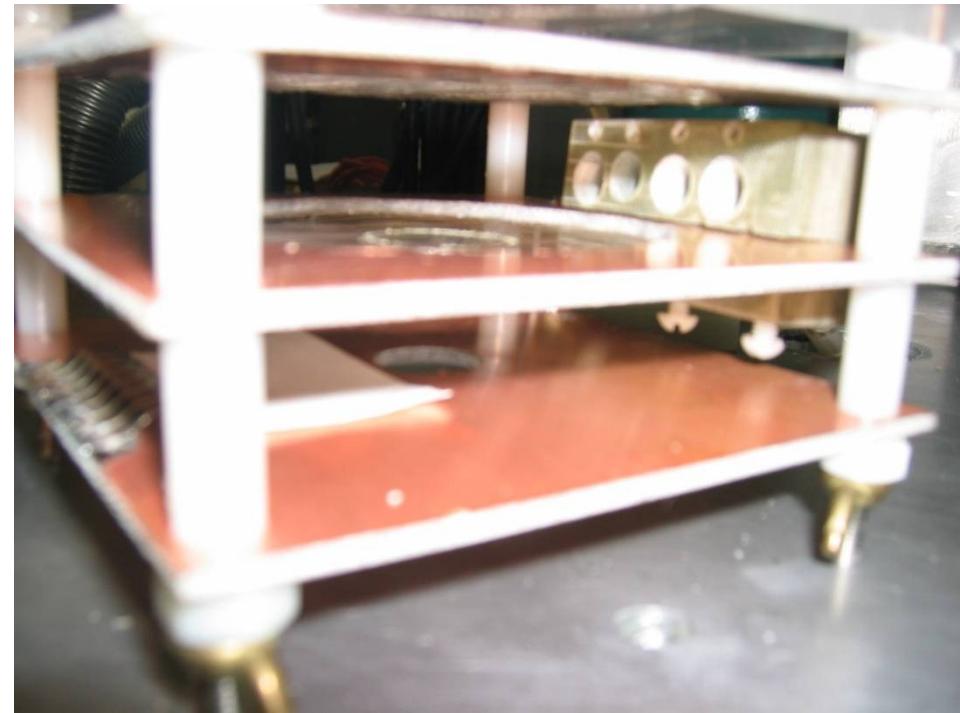
- 2 LEDs: 255nm and 355nm
- Plastic scintillator
- Phototube
- I-V curve
- 355 nm is more intense than the 255 nm

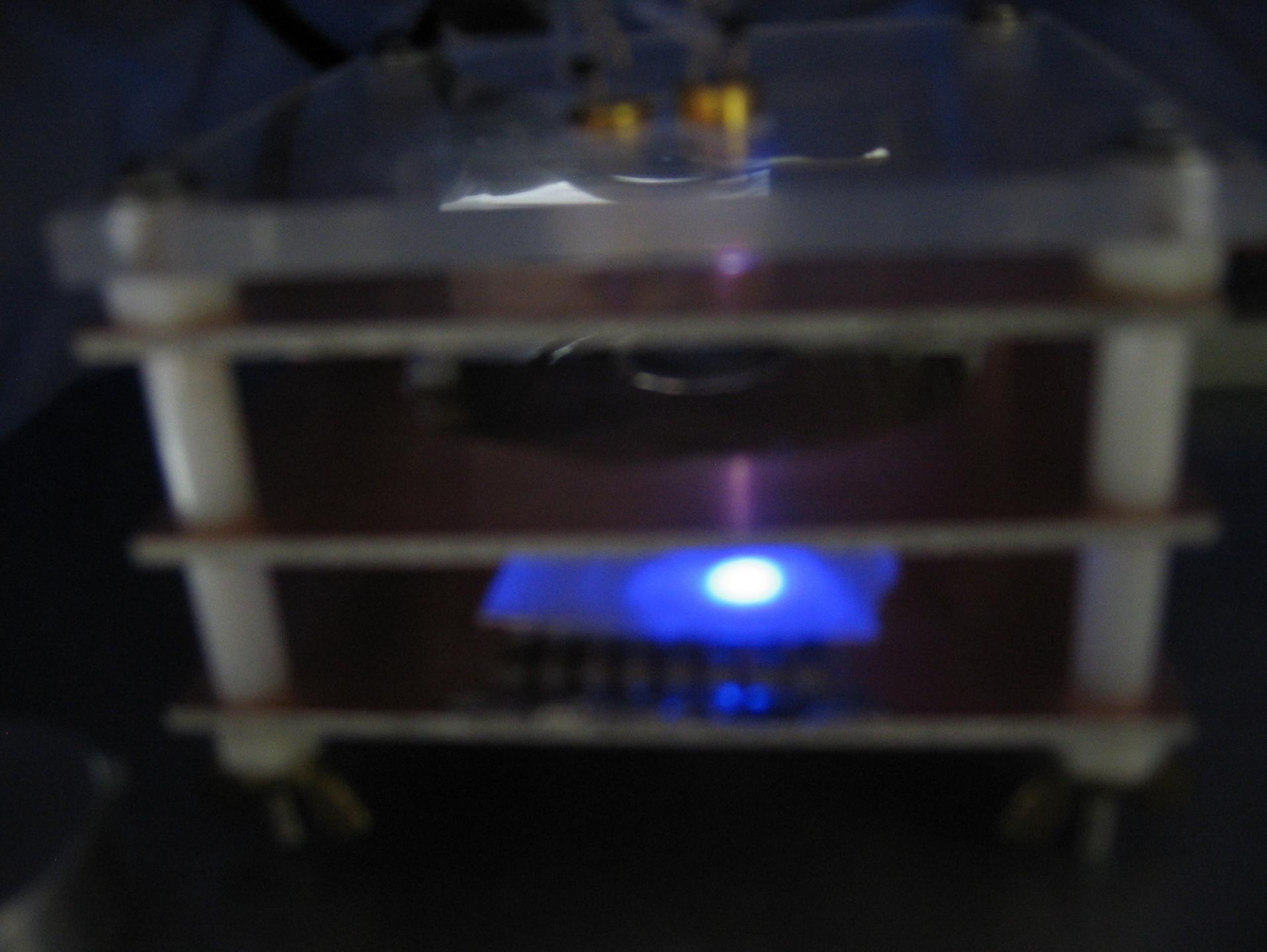
## I-V curve 255nm LED



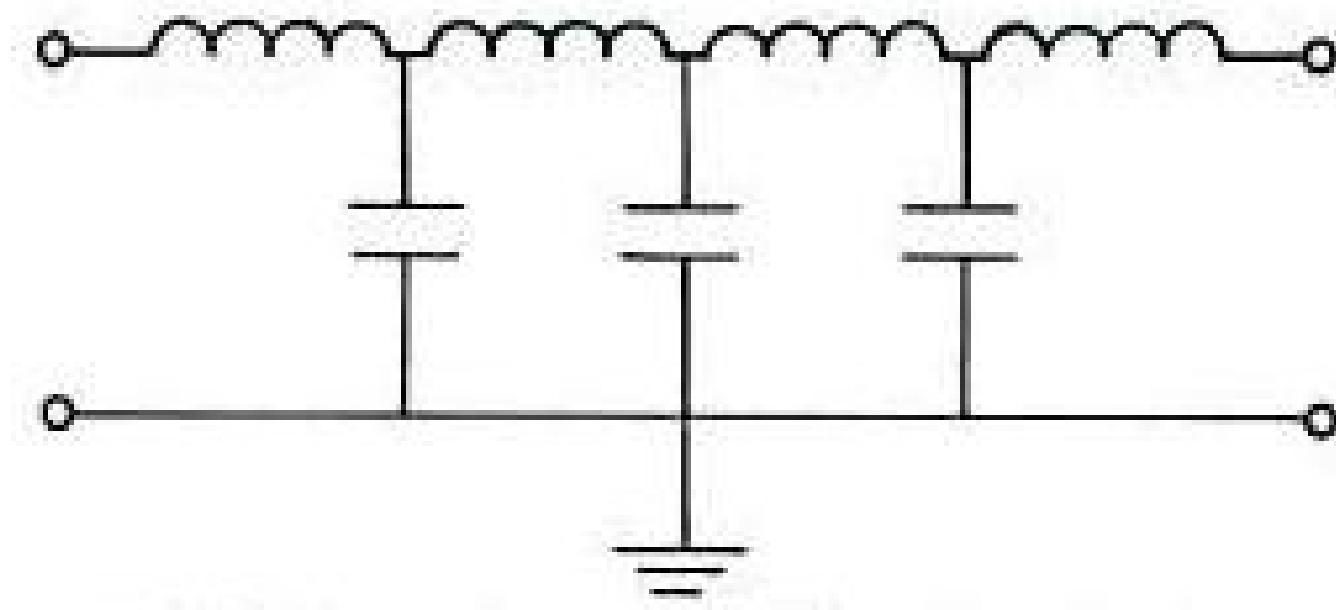
- Quantum efficiency = 0.21 e-/photon
- Bell jar - pico-ammeter

- **NOISE** – signal
- Improvements

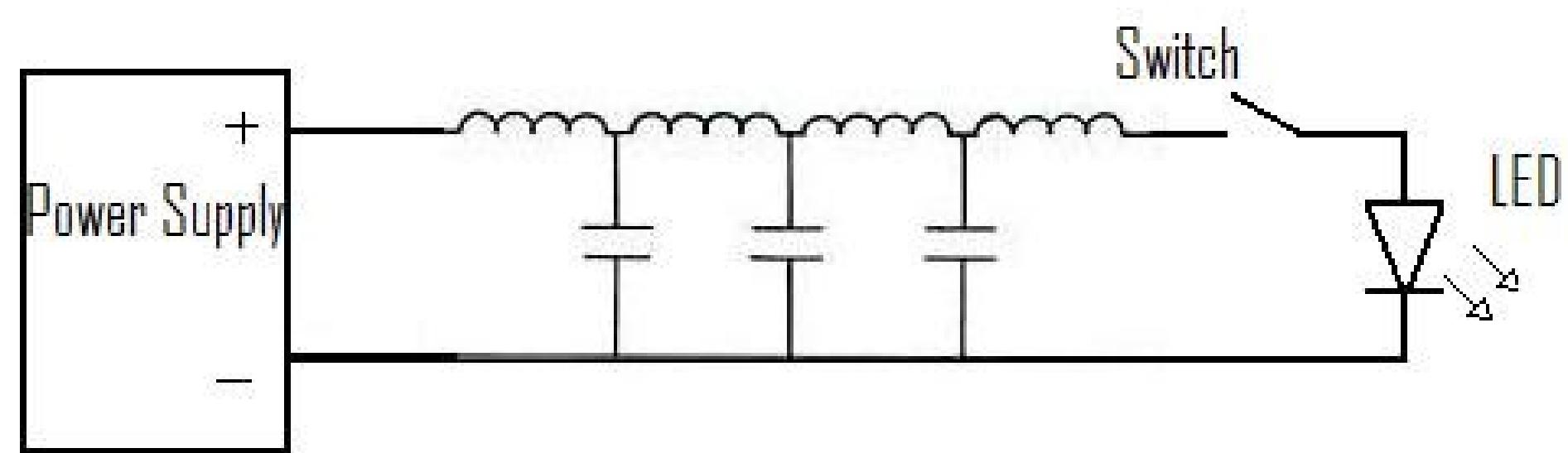




- Lot of current in a short period of time
- Lumped delay line



- $T = \sqrt{LC} = 34.64 \mu\text{s}$
- The discharge time is the double of the time we calculated.



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Tek Stopped

807 Acq's

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Buttons

Curs1 Pos

366.0mV

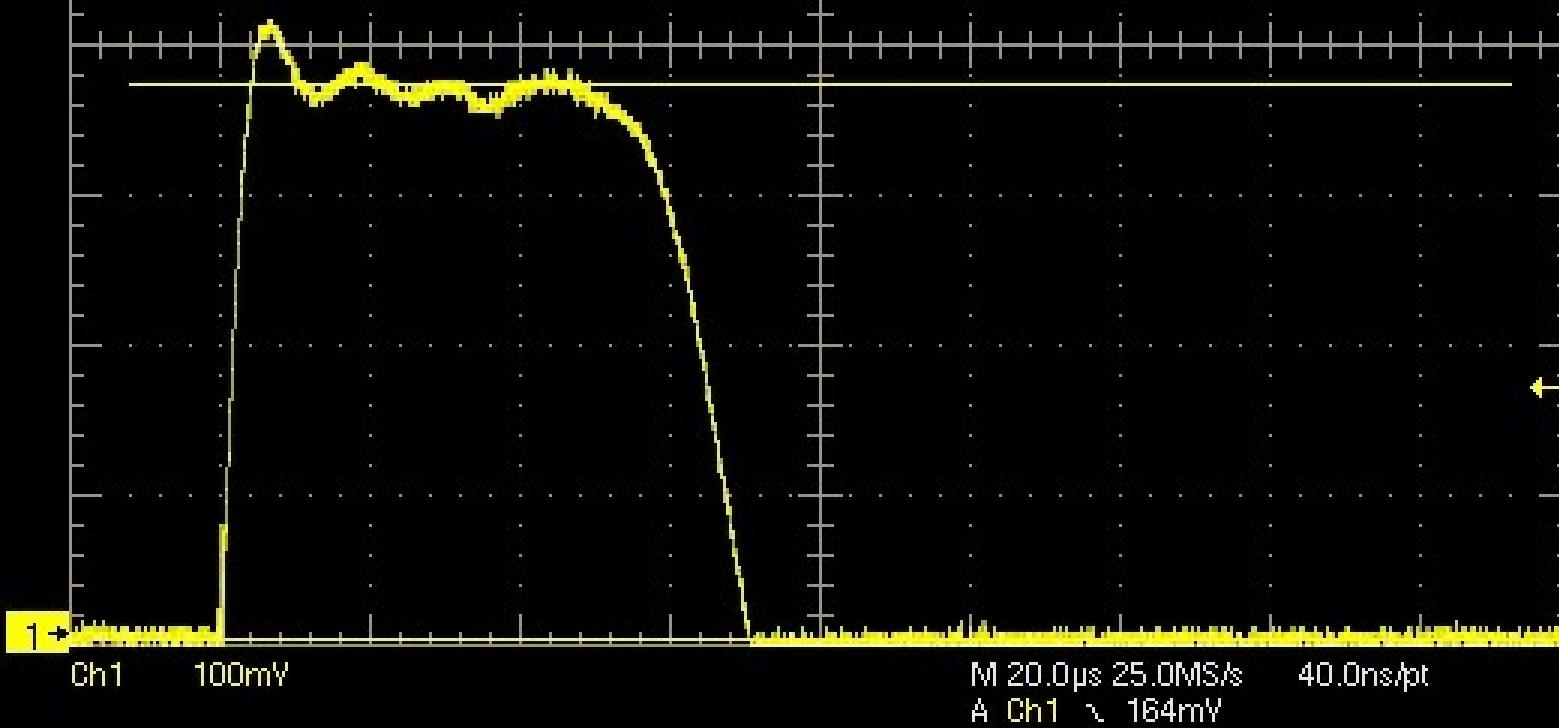
Curs2 Pos

-4.0mV

V1 : 366.0mV

V2 : -4.0mV

ΔV : -370.0mV



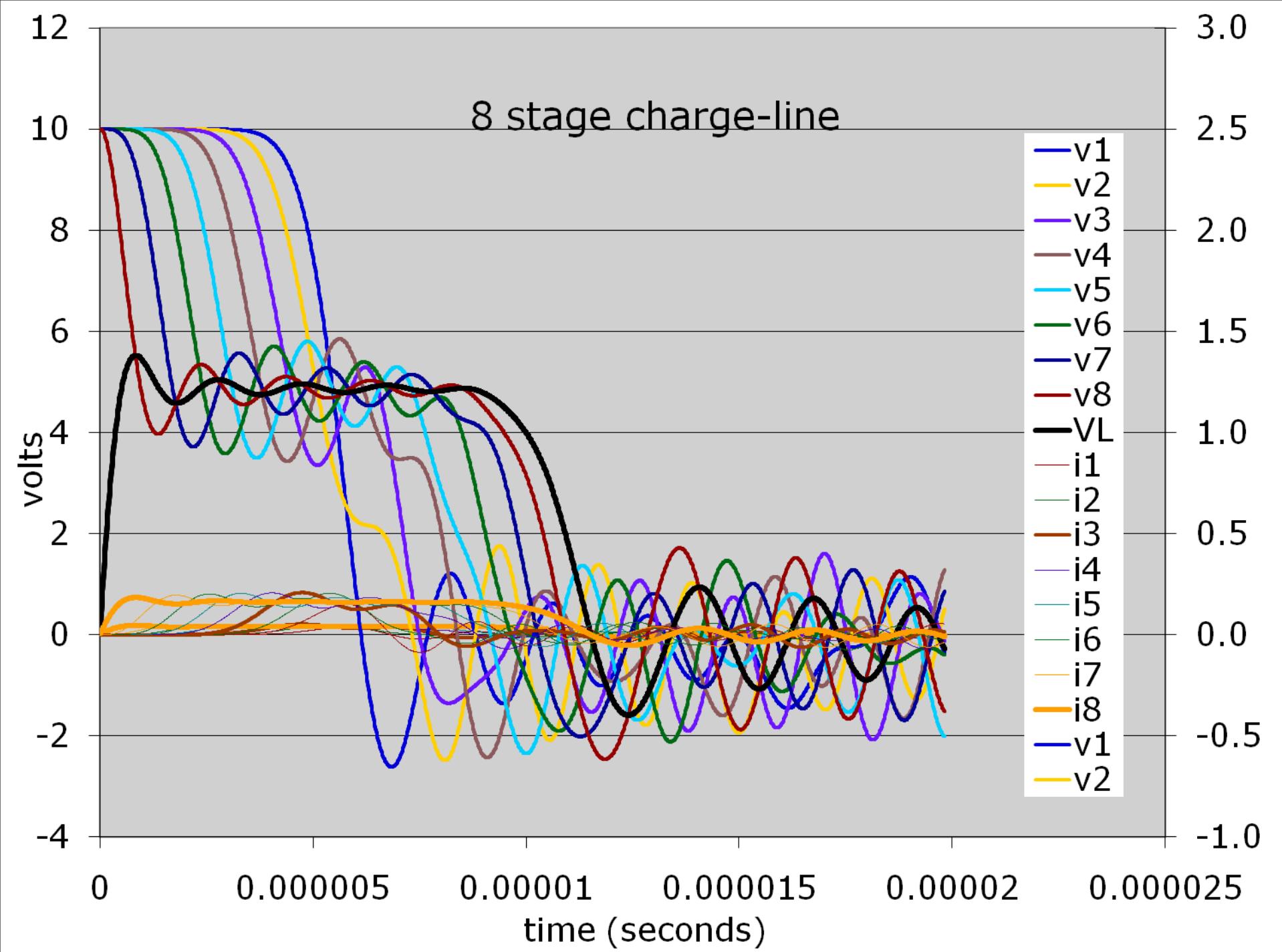
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Ch1 100mV

M 20.0μs 25.0MS/s 40.0ns/pt

A Ch1 × 164mV

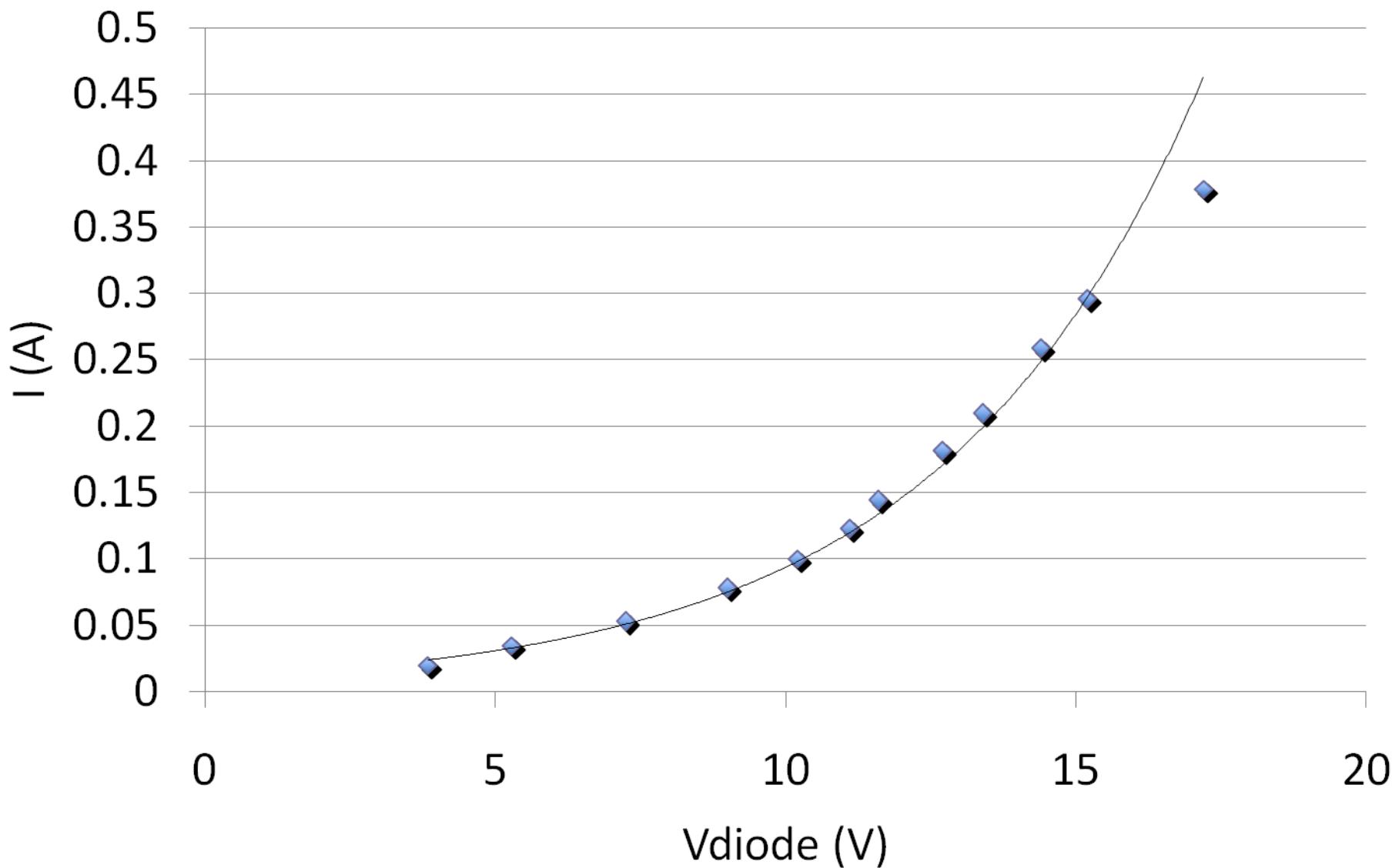
## 8 stage charge-line



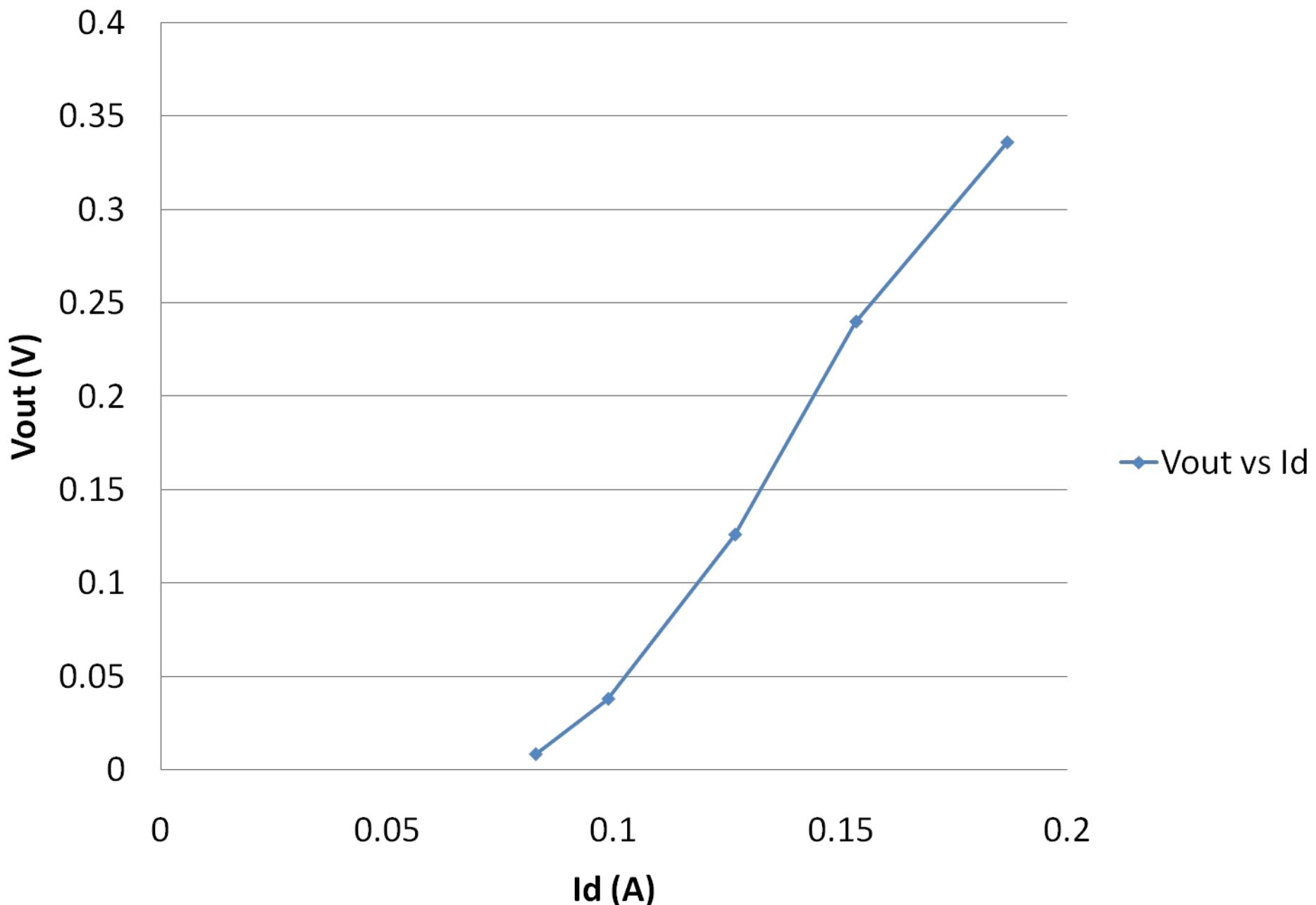
# Results

I-V Curve 255nm

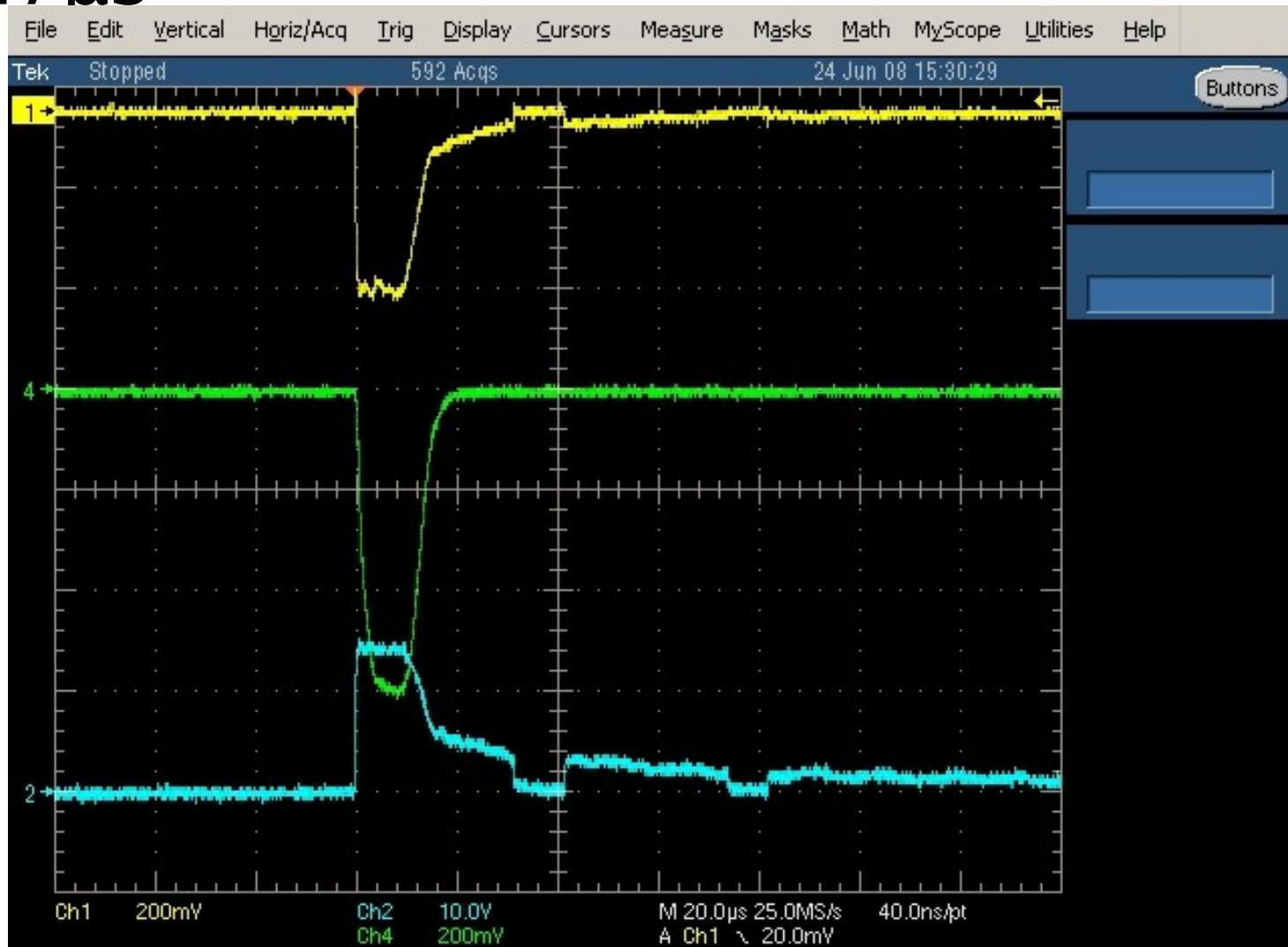
$$y = 0.010e^{0.221x}$$
$$R^2 = 0.989$$



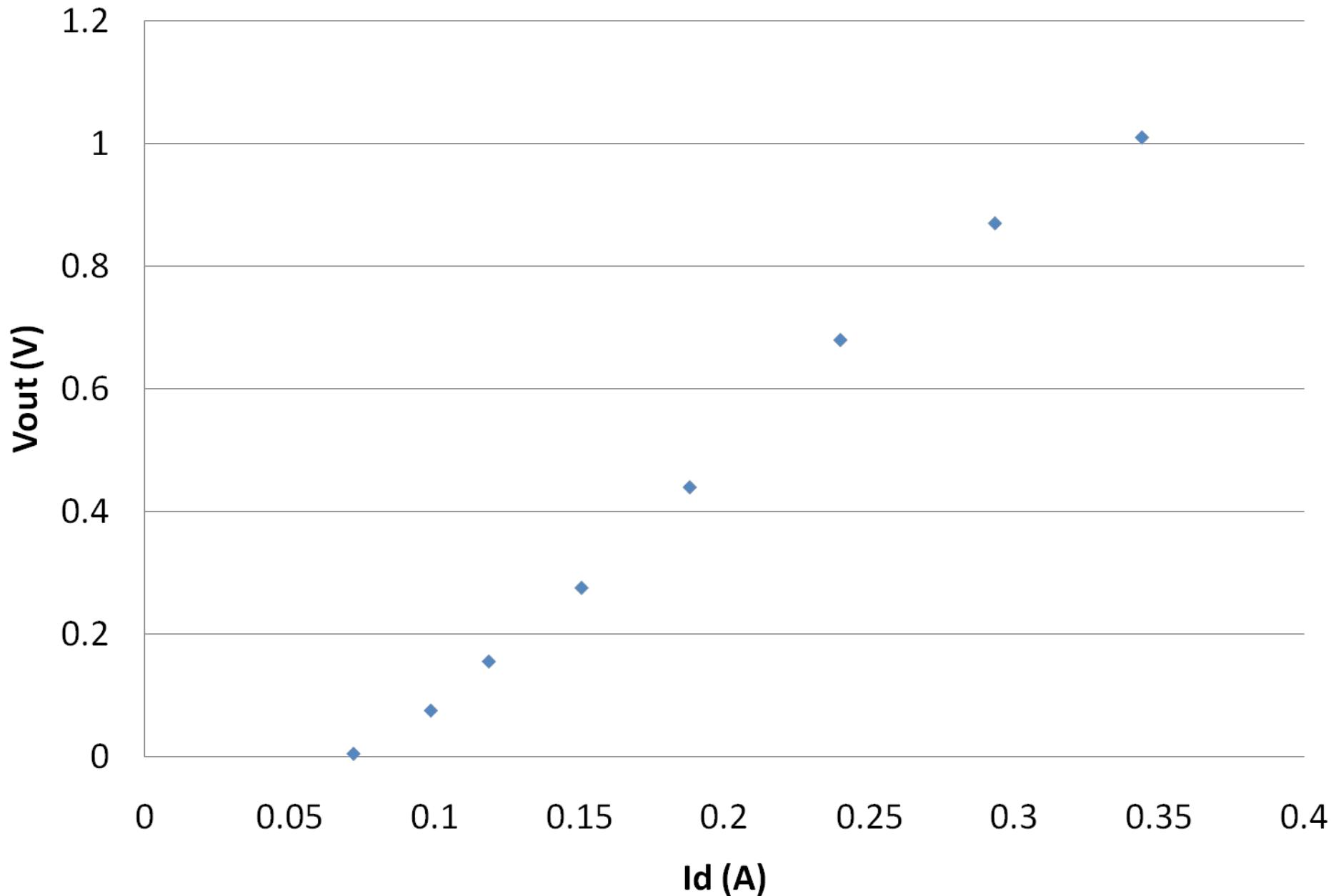
## Vout vs Id



- The pulse is long
- Build another.  $T = 8 \mu\text{s}$ .
- $\approx 17\mu\text{s}$



## Vout vs Id 255nm 2 delay line

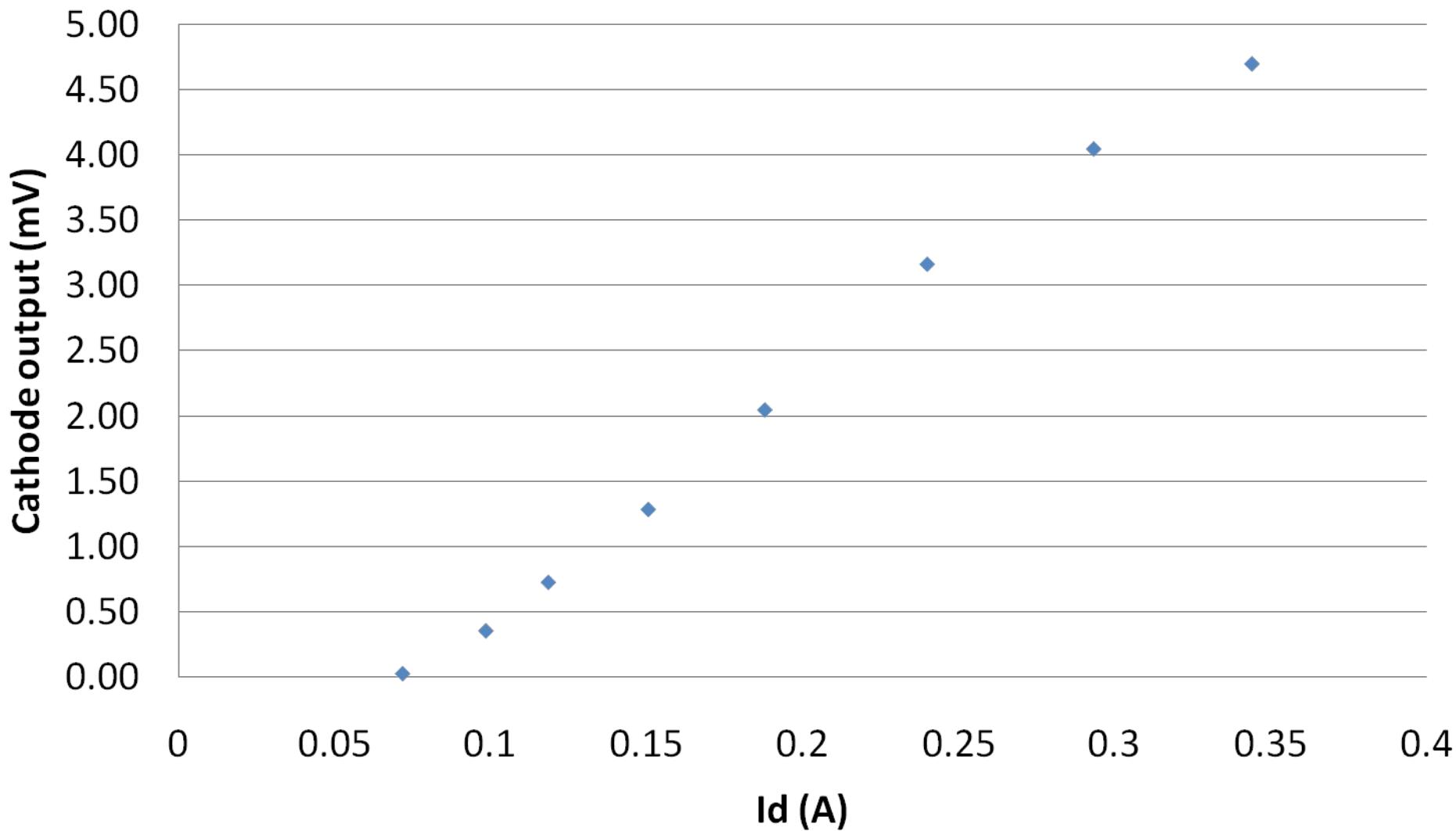


- Broken LED.
- These tests were made with the phototube, to be sure that we had a good signal, and after that we tried with the bell jar but we never saw anything.
- LED vs Fiber.

- Omnipresent problem in the bell jar:  
NOISE
- Changed some components
- Integrator
- Grounds
- Signal from the flash lamp
- Noise is 20 mV

- Rough estimation of the quantum efficiency Au cathode: 0.001, hence

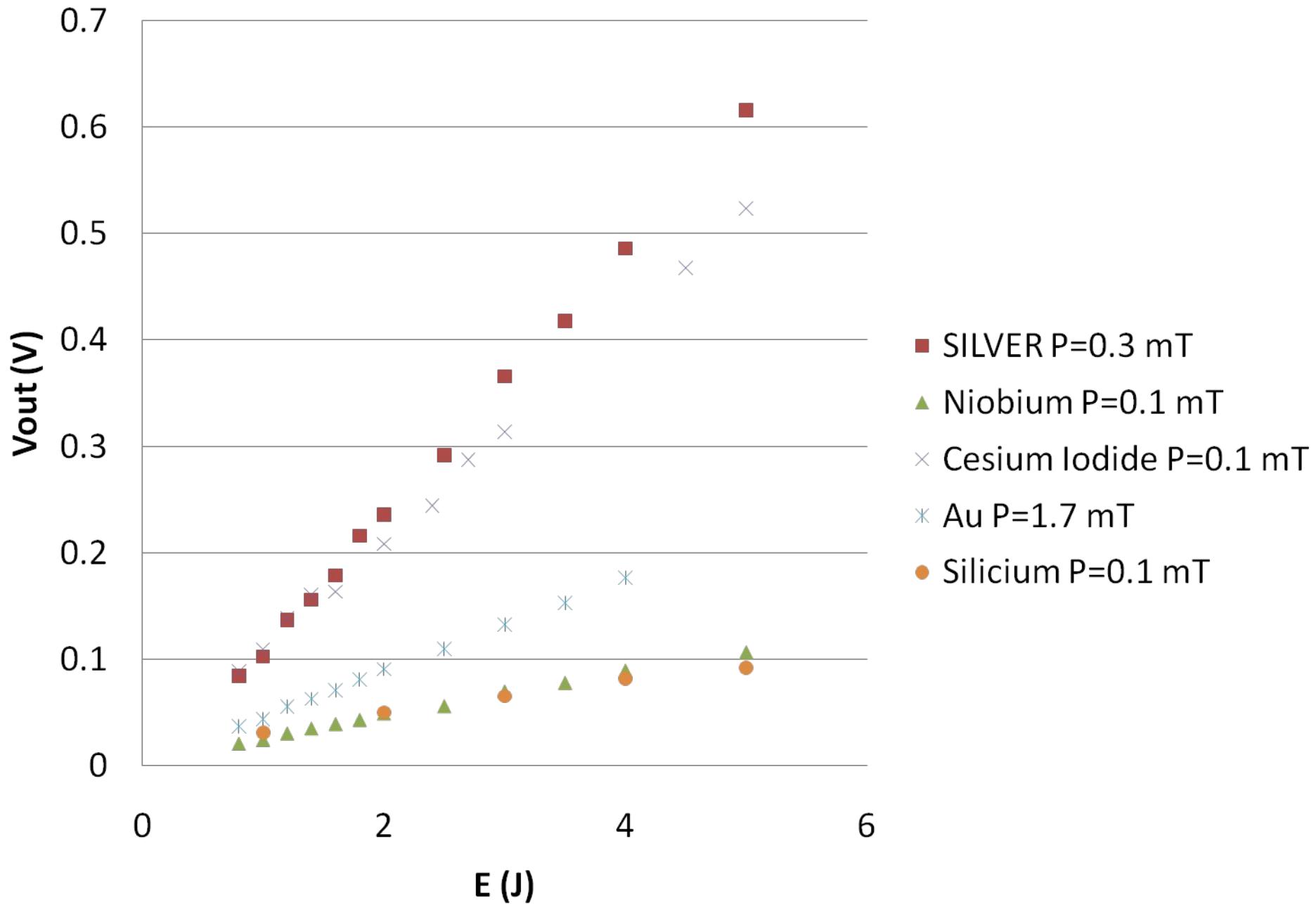
**Cathode output vs Current**



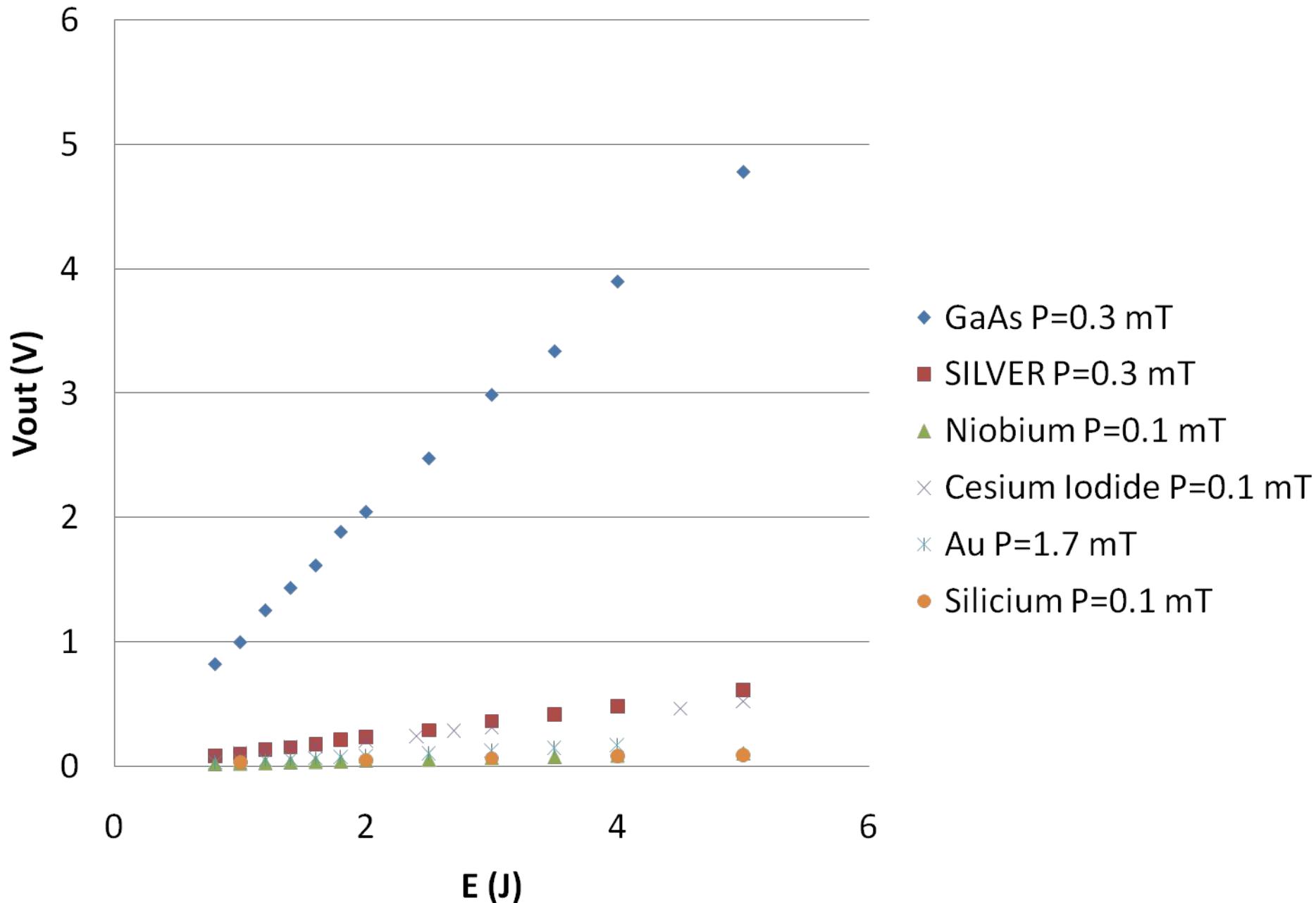
- PANIC = new cathodes
- The first option is cesium iodide (CsI), which is said to have a very good response with respect to gold.
- Make the cathode
- CsI absorbs a lot of moisture
- No difference
- Get rid of the noise
- Research about cathodes

- Cathodes tested
- Silver (Ag)
- Gallium arsenide (GaAs)
- Zinc (Zn)
- Niobium (Nb)
- Silicium (Si)
- Gadolinium (Gd) (to be used)
- After a couple of tests, we realized that the output voltage is dependent of the pressure inside the bell jar.  
From this point we tried to make all the measurements at a constant pressure

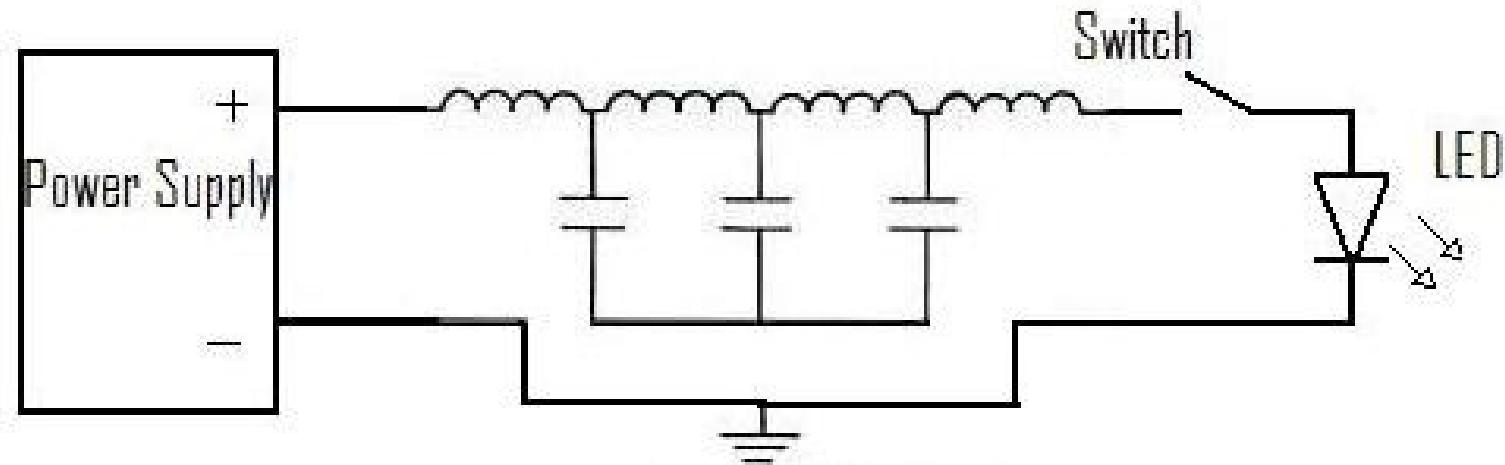
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- Tests made with the flash lamp
- BROKEN LED AGAIN!



# CONCLUSION

- A LOT OF WORK TO DO!

Thank you