

Novel Photon Detectors for RICH applications

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Aim of this talk

- Discuss devices detecting photons.
- Discuss only examples, which are “possibly” relevant to the RICH.
- **New ideas are fragile.** Initially, we do not know if any one will be either fruitful or useless.
- **In this talk, I will try to give the “fragile” ideas equal chance.**

RICH detector interests:

- **Rate capability.**
- **High “effective” efficiency.**
- **Aging issues.**
- **Reliability.**
- **Timing resolution (aim for $\sigma \sim 100$ ps).**

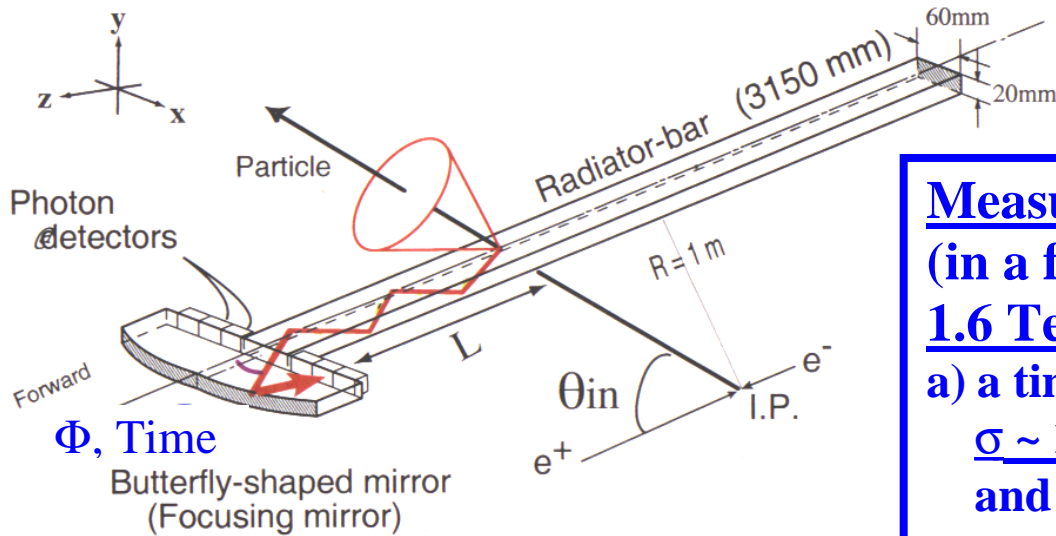
Why a timing resolution of $\sigma \sim 100\text{ps}$?

- **All this is driven by a success of DIRC in BaBar, and a desire to develop this concept further both at BaBar and Belle B-factories. DIRC with such a timing resolution can correct the chromatic error out. This goal drives the present DIRC R&D program.**
- **Other possible applications:
Aqua RICH and cosmic ray telescopes.**
- **One should say that the LHC RICH detectors would not benefit from it.**

Examples of the “DIRC-like” R&D:

1) “Time-of-Propagation \equiv TOP counter”:

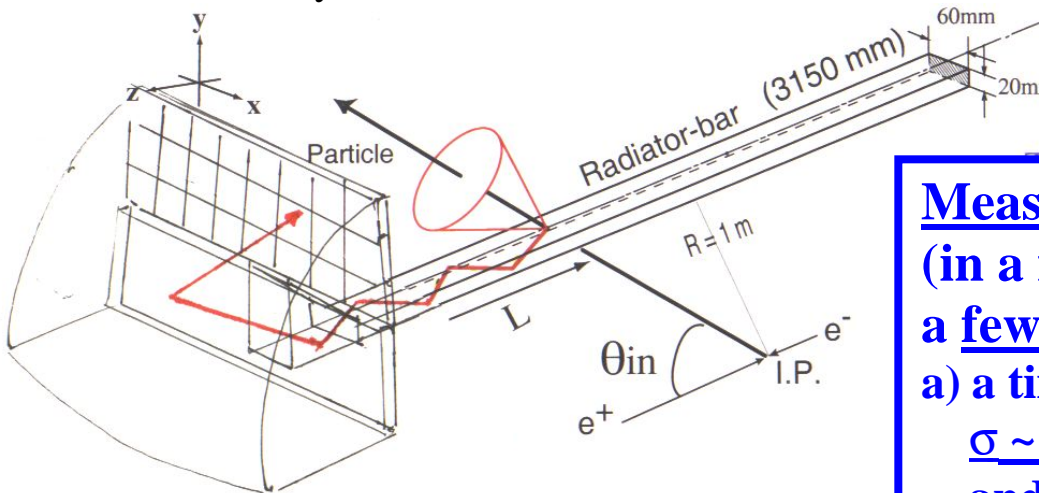
R&D at Nagoya University, Japan:



Measure
 (in a field of
1.6 Tesla):
 a) a time to
 $\sigma \sim 100\text{ps}$,
 and
 b) Φ angle.

2) “DIRC upgrade”:

SLAC R&D activity:



Measure
 (in a field of
a few Gauss):
 a) a time to
 $\sigma \sim 100\text{ps}$,
 and
 b) photon
position in
both x & y.

X, Y, Time

(Focusing mirror, quartz matching fluid,
 Flat panel H-8500 PMT detector)

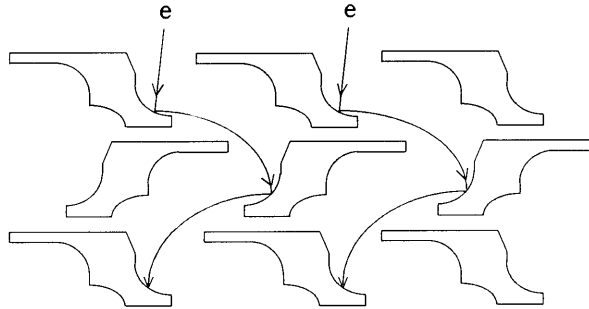
What are the devices, which can deliver presently a single photon timing resolution of $\sigma \sim 100$ ps ?

Manufacturer	Name	PMT	Dia.	σ_{TTS}
Photonis	Quantacon	XP2020	2"	250 ps
Photonis	PMT	XP2020/UR	2"	150 ps
Photonis	PMT	XP2262B	2"	500 ps
Electron Tubes	PMT	9125B	1"	1500 ps
Electron Tubes	PMT	911B	1"	500 ps
Hamamatsu	Multianode	R-5900	-	70 ps
Hamamatsu	Flat panel	H-8500	-	80 ps
Hamamatsu	Multi-mesh	R-6135	-	80 ps
Dolgoshein et al.	Silicone PM	SiPM	-	60 ps
Photek, DEP, Burle, or Hamamatsu.	Micro channel plate	MCP	1"	60 ps

DIRC
PMT



. What is the right choice ?

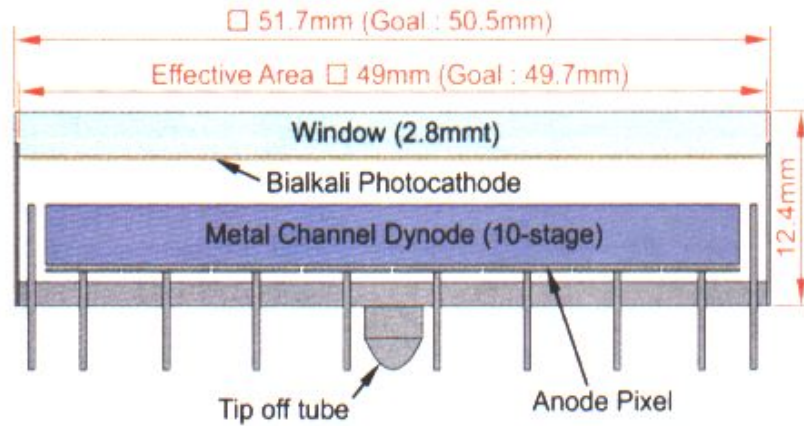


Multi-anode PMTs

- **Hamamatsu Flat Panel 64-pixel H-8500 (BaBar DIRC R&D upgrade).**
- **Hamamatsu Multi-anode 16-channel R-5900-U-L16 (Belle TOP counter).**
- **Hamamatsu Multi-anode Multi-mesh R-6135-L24- γ (Belle TOP counter).**

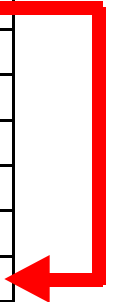
Hamamatsu Flat-Panel PMT H-8500:

DIRC R&D at SLAC:



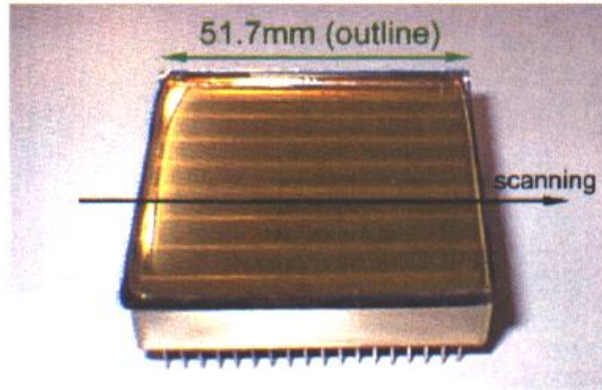
Photocathode	Bi-alkali (visible & UV)
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Geometrical packing efficiency	~97%
Collection efficiency of the dynode structure	~70-80%
Operating voltage (max.)	-1 kV
Pixel size	5mm x 5mm
Matrix	8 x 8
Number of pixels	64
Gain (Hamamatsu claim)	~10⁶ @ -1 kV
Type of amplifier (SLAC)	Elantec EL2075C
Amplifier BW (SLAC test)	2 GHz @ gain 1
Number of stages	12
Resistor chain (K - D1 - D2 - -> A)	1-1-1-....-1-0.9-0.1
Transit time distribution (Hamamatsu claim)	σ ~80 ps + tail
Timing resolution per single photon (SLAC)	σ ~125 ps

Low



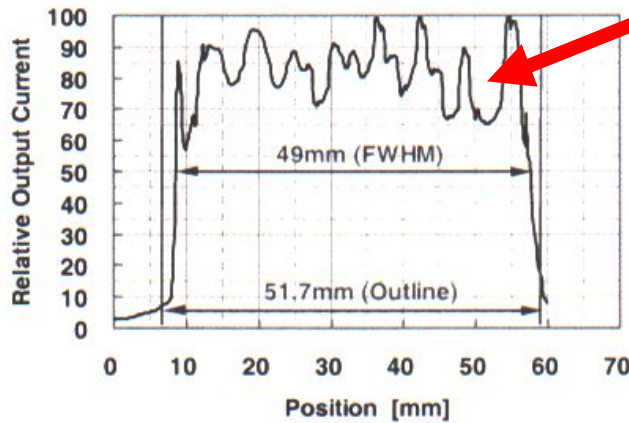
- **The tube has a low gain at present -> need an amplifier !!**
- **Good timing resolution, and an excellent packing efficiency.**
- However, to achieve such a timing resolution, it is necessary to correct the timing for the pulse height variation.
This means an additional considerable cost increase!!!

b) Relative uniformity response (Hamamatsu data):
(measured with a 1mm dia. light spot using a current mode)



Hamamatsu measures in the current mode:

At SLAC we are preparing a setup operating in a single-photon mode, which will measure: (a) σ_T profile, (b) gain profile, and (c) collection efficiency profile.



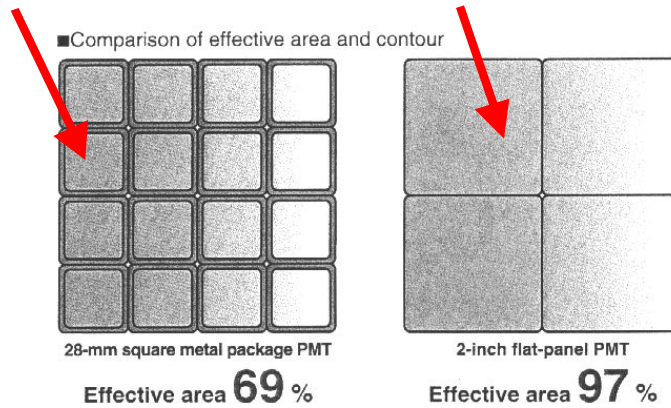
Effective loss of efficiency ~10-30%



- ~1.35 mm dead space at each edge.

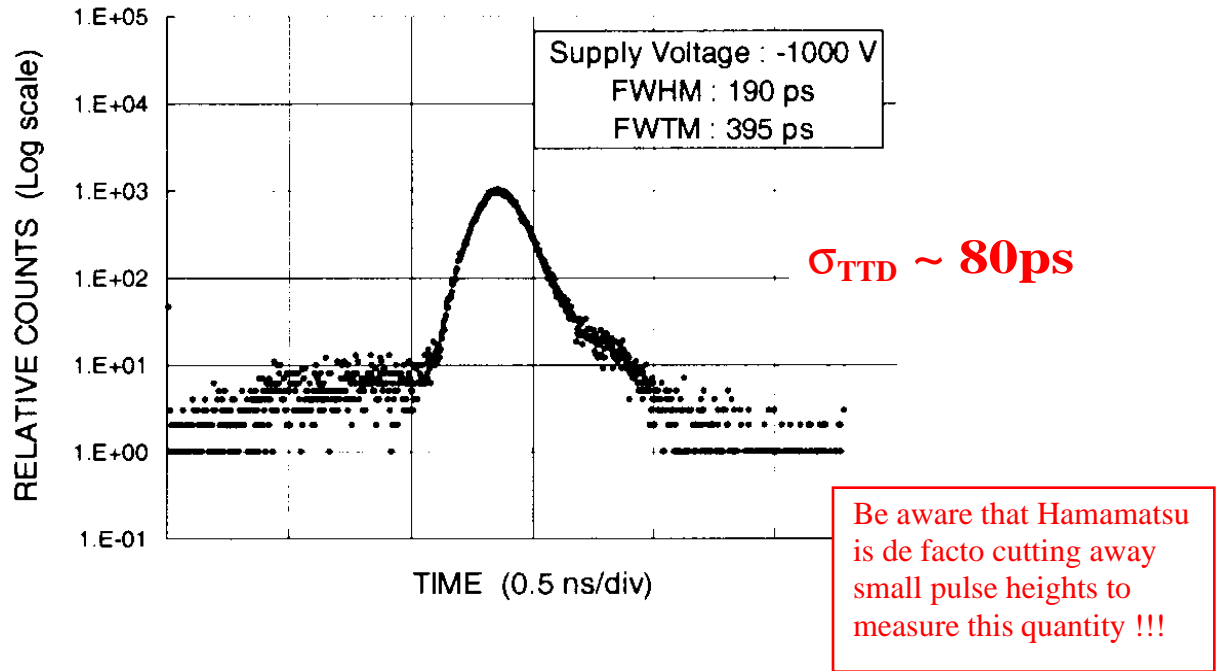
c) Effective area (Hamamatsu data):

HERA-B PMT vs. Flat Panel PMT:

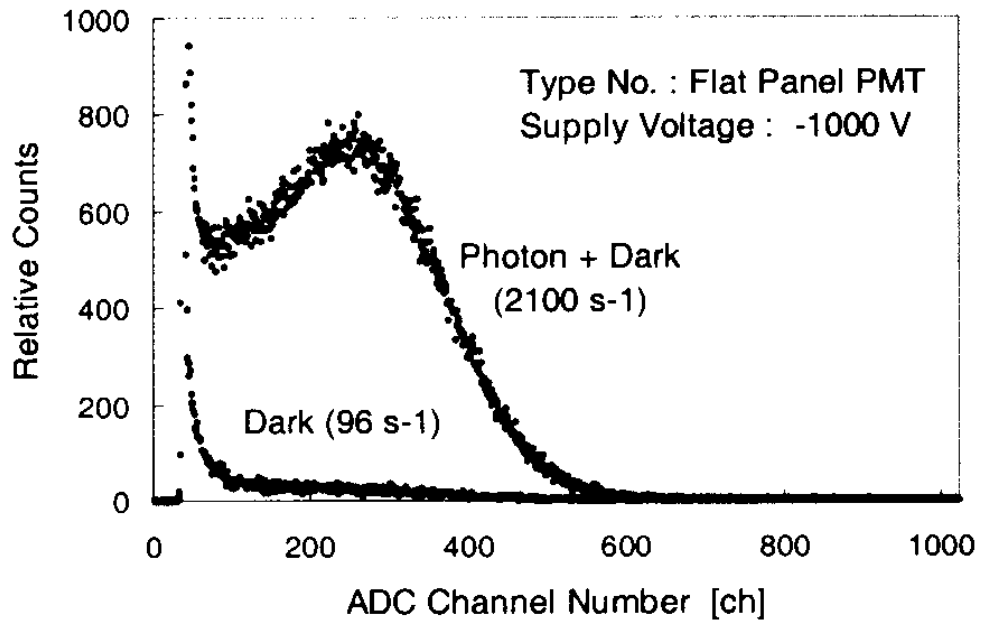


On the other hand, a good packing efficiency

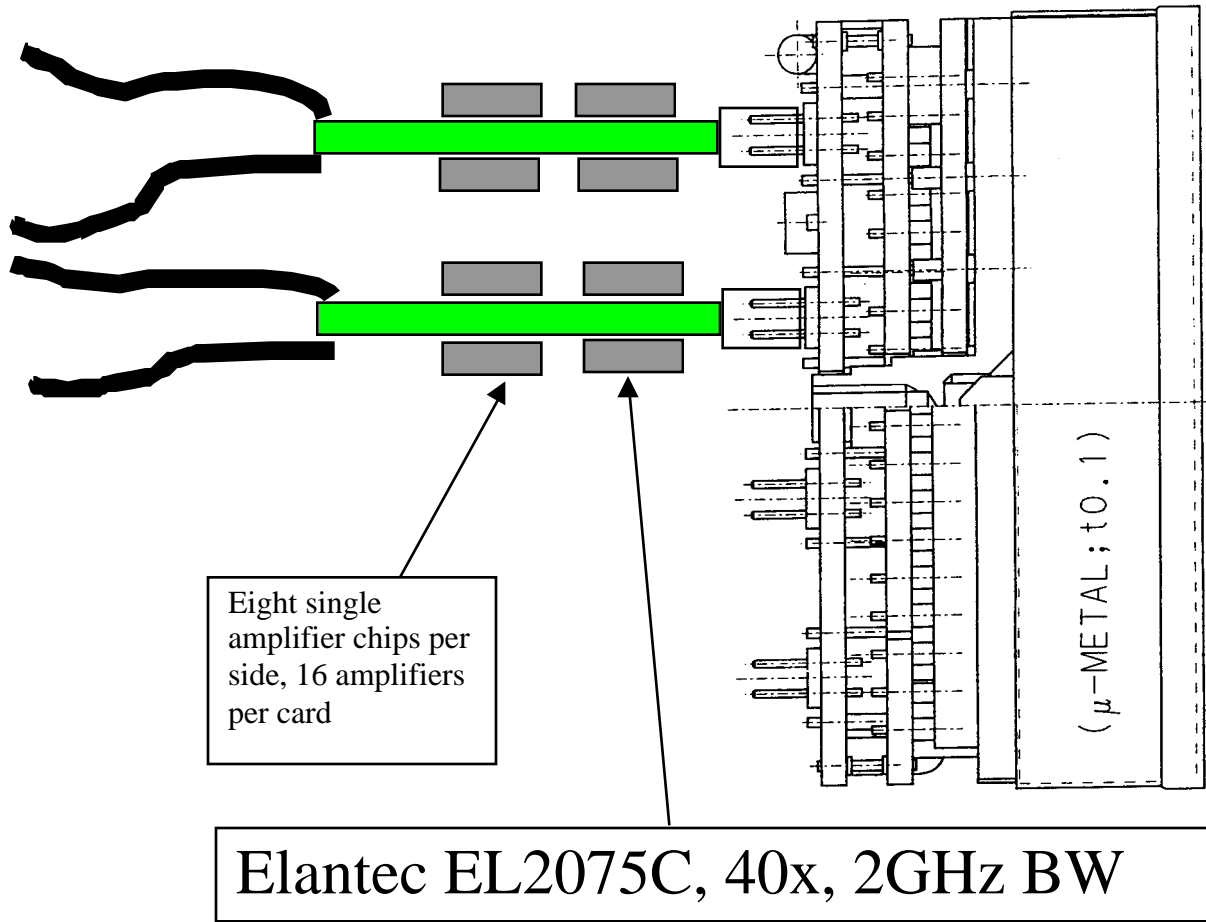
e) Transit time distribution (Hamamatsu data):



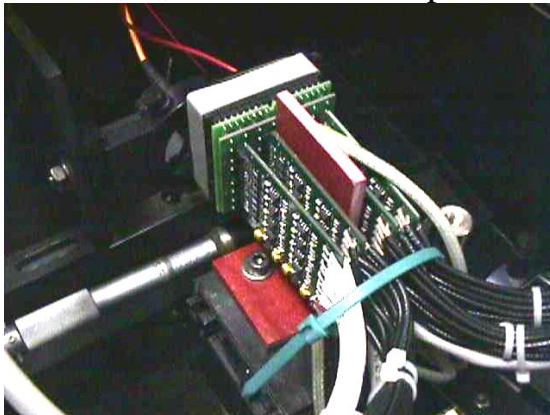
f) Single electron PH spectrum (Hamamatsu data):



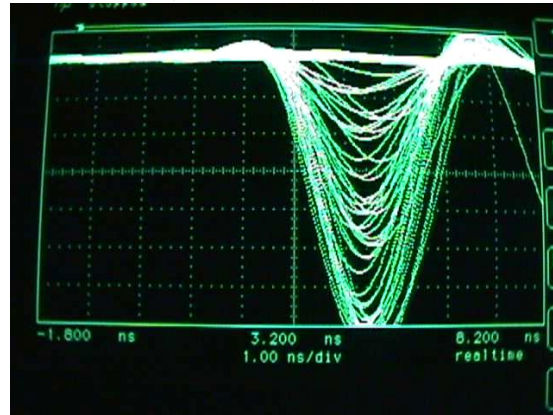
g) Amplifier (SLAC R&D program):



Four cards, each with 16 amplifiers



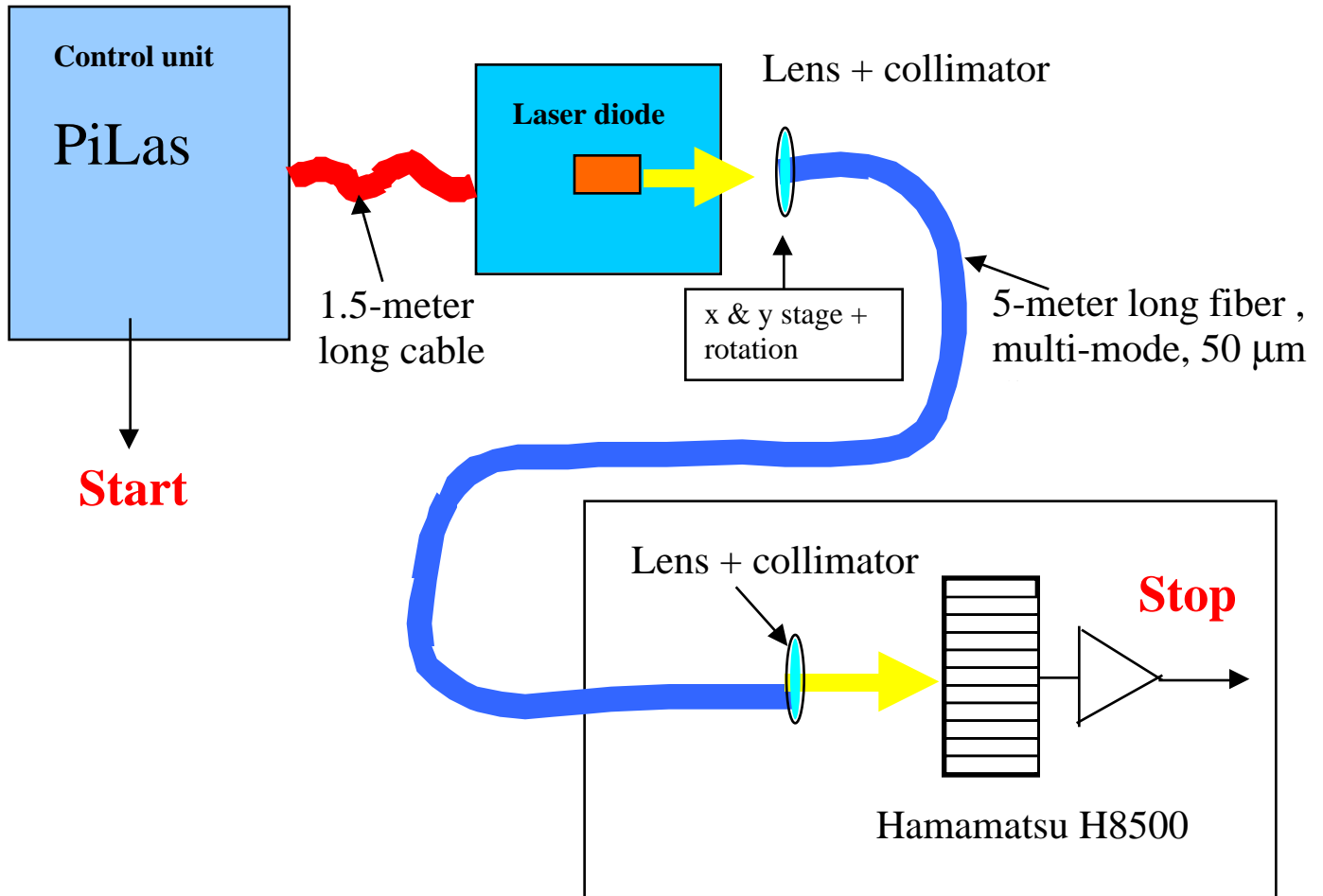
10 mV/div, 1 ns/div, -1000 V



Cross-talk: Worst neighbor ~3-4 %, typically <1%.

h) Timing resolution needs a sophisticated light pulser:

- In SLAC tests, we use the picosecond **laser diode**:

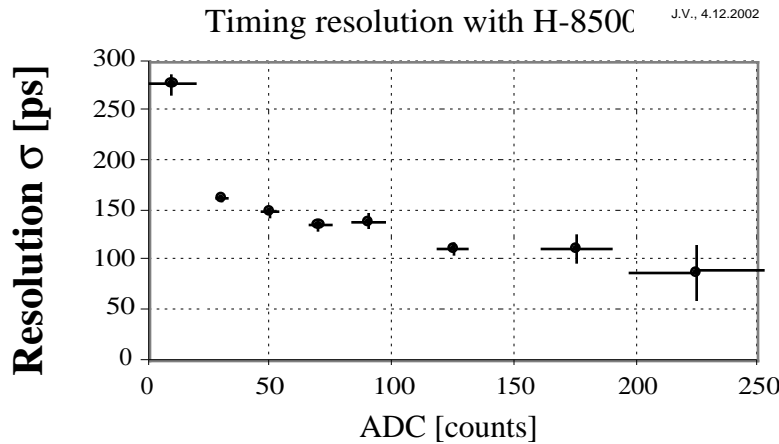
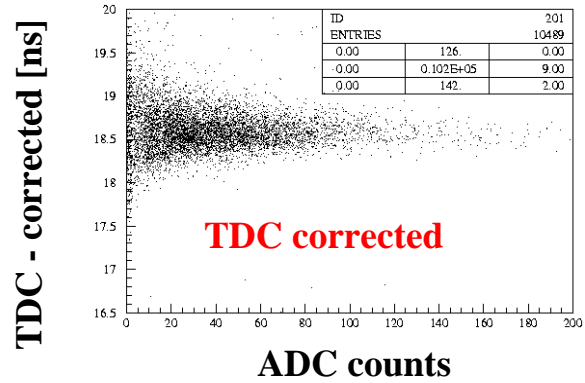
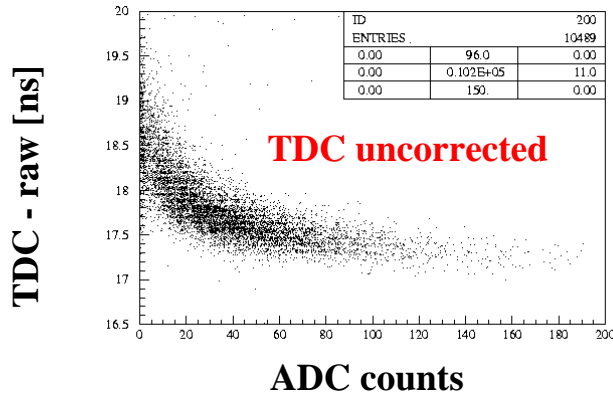


Parameter	SLAC tests	Nagoya tests
Laser diode source	PiLas	Hamamatsu
Wavelength	535 nm	394 nm
FWHM of light pulse spread	~35 ps*	34 ps
Light pulse jitter relative to trigger	~2 ps*	±10 ps
Fiber size	50 μm dia.	2 mm dia.
Fiber length	5 m	2 m
Diffuser	No	Yes

* Not yet directly confirmed directly by tests at SLAC.

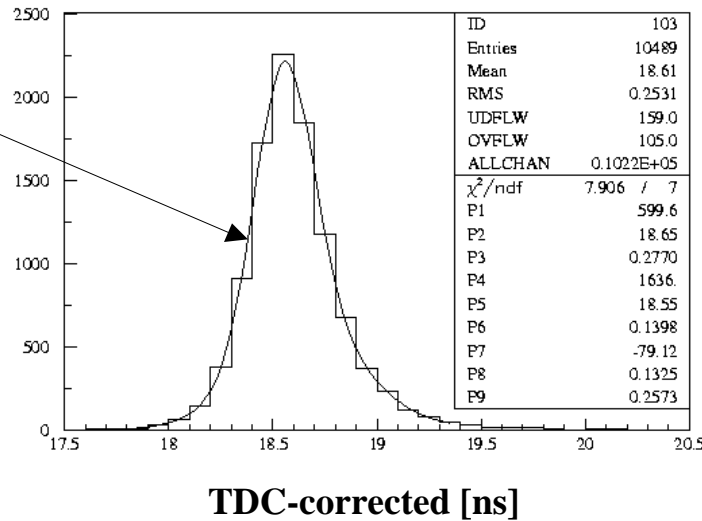
Timing resolution study at SLAC (author's own data):

(a) Correct time walk with an ADC measurement:



To do this, need an amplifier gain of ~100x, and PMT at -1.0kV.

$\sigma \sim 140$ ps
&
 277 ps

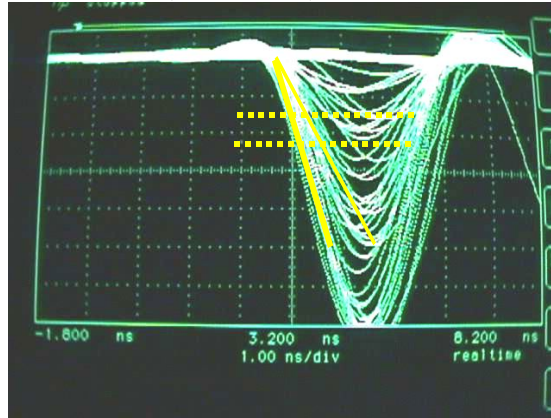


Fit:
 $G1 + G2 + a + bx + cx^2$

- For all these tests run the PMT at -1.0 kV, and using a nominal resistor chain as recommended by Hamamatsu.

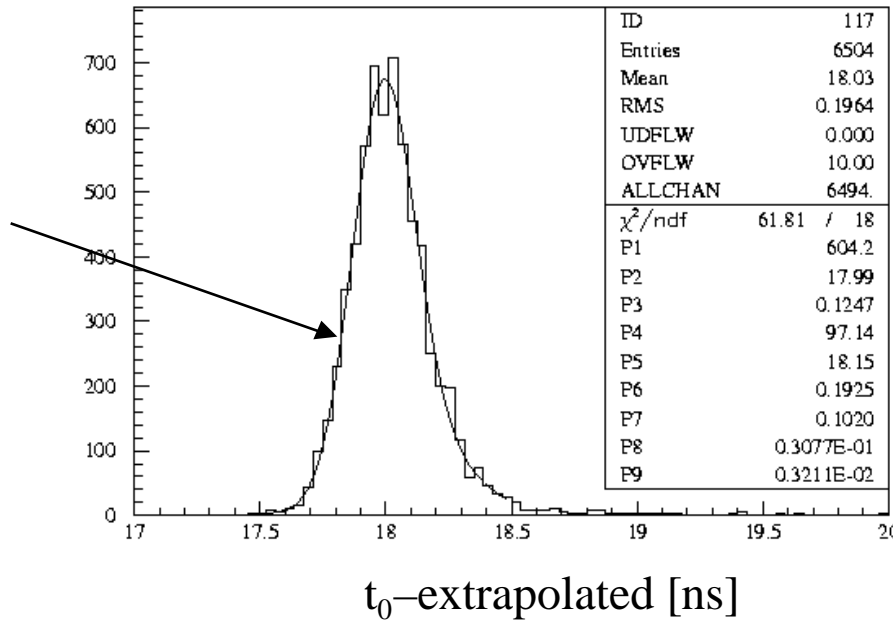
(b) Correct time walk with the two-threshold timing:

10 mV/div, 1 ns/div, -1000 V



$\sigma \sim 125$ ps
&
 193 ps

Fit:
 $G1 + G2 +$
 $a + bx + cx^2$

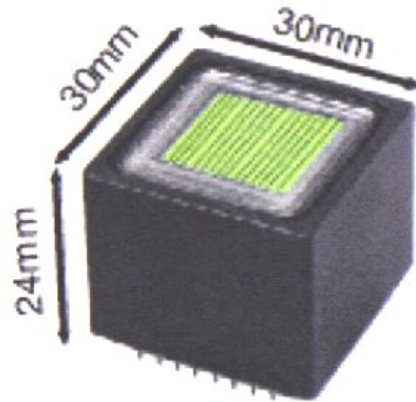
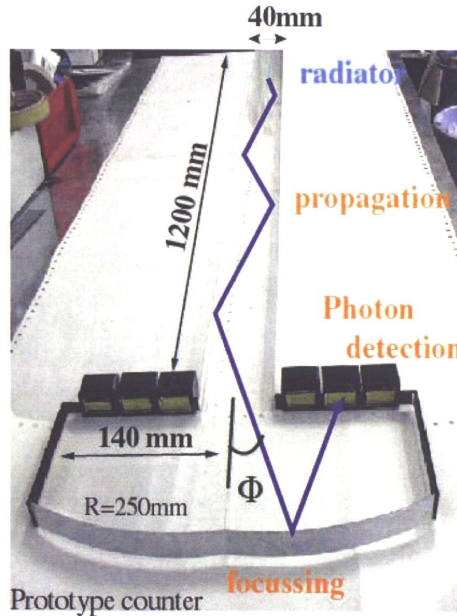


To do this, need an amplifier gain of $\sim 40x$, and PMT at $-1.0kV$.

- t_0 -extrapolated is a time extrapolated to the base line using the $TDC_1, TDC_2, Threshold_1, Threshold_2$ and a known pulse shape.
- Each imaging pixel needs:
 - a) a fast amplifier, and
 - b) either TDC & ADC, or two TDCs (!!!..)
 - c) in a long run, need a cheap constant-fraction discriminators.

Hamamatsu Multi-anode PMT R-5900-U-L16:

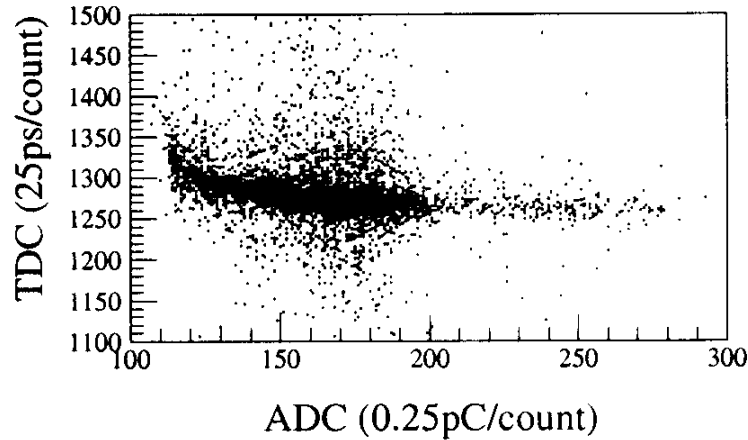
TOP Counter R&D at Nagoya University, Japan:



Photocathode	Bi-alkali (visible & UV)
Geometrical packing efficiency	~40%
Collection efficiency of the dynode structure	~50%
Anode-to-anode pitch	1 mm
Maximum recommended voltage (Hamamatsu)	-900 V
Pixel size	16 mm x 0.8 mm
Number of pixels	16
Number of stages	10
Gain (Hamamatsu)	~10 ⁷ @ -900 V
Typical cross-talk	~1-3%
Number of stages	12
Resistor chain (K - D1 - D2 - -> - D10 - A)	2-1-1-....-1-1
PMT rise-time	~0.6 ns
Transit time distribution (Hamamatsu)	σ ~70 ps
Timing resolution per single photon (Nagoya)	σ ~83 ps @ -1000 V

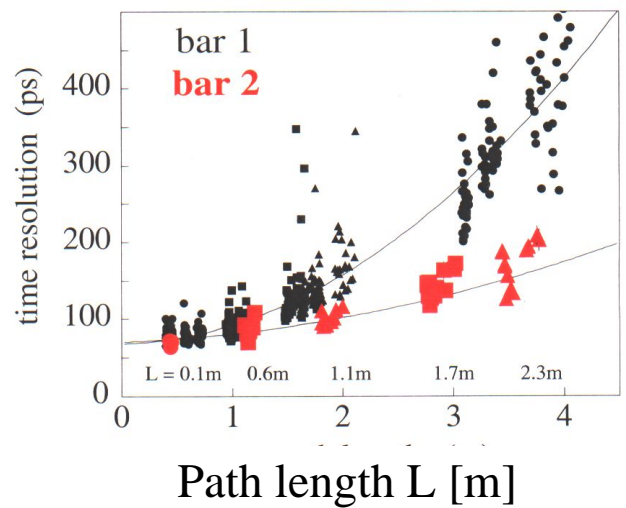
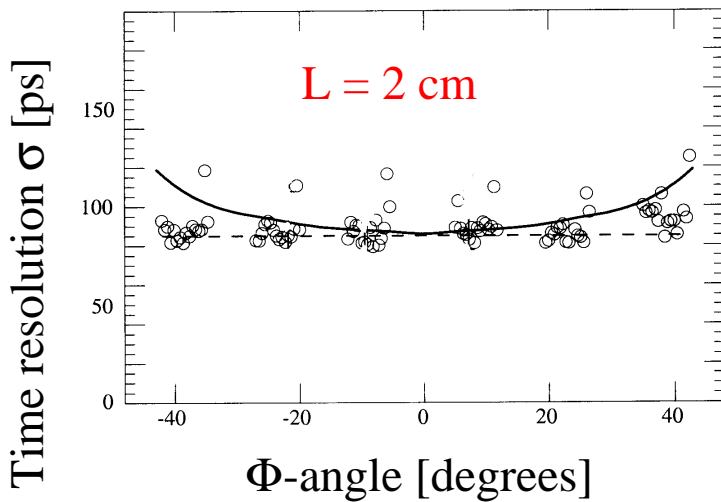
- This PMT has ~10x higher gain than H-8500 at nominal voltages.
- Does not work in a high magnetic field, and has a poor efficiency.

a) Beam test - a time-walk correction with an ADC:



b) Beam test with 96 anodes:

T. Ohshima, ICFA Instr. Bulletin, ICFA-J-20, Spring 2000:

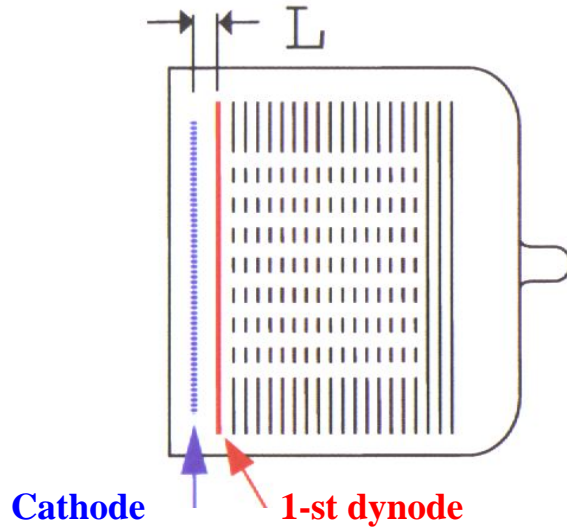
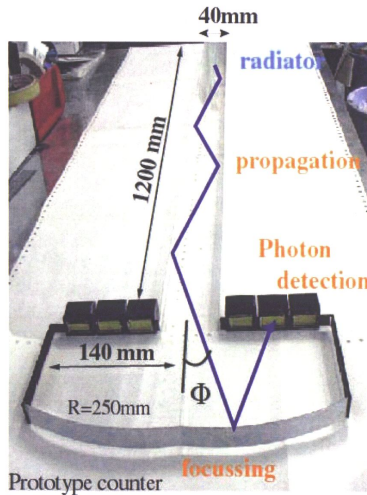


- A timing resolution of ~ 80 ps achieved by a combination of:
 - (a) running with a gain of $\sim 2 \times 10^7$ at 1000V (!!!),
 - (b) a modification of the resistor chain (2-1-1-1-...-1),
 - (c) applying an ADC correction.
 - (d) split the signal actively, i.e., do not loose an amplitude.
- Time resolution grows as a function of path length due to
 - (a) bar quality and (b) chromatic error.

Hamamatsu Multi-anode Fine-mesh PMT

R-6135-L24- α, β, γ :

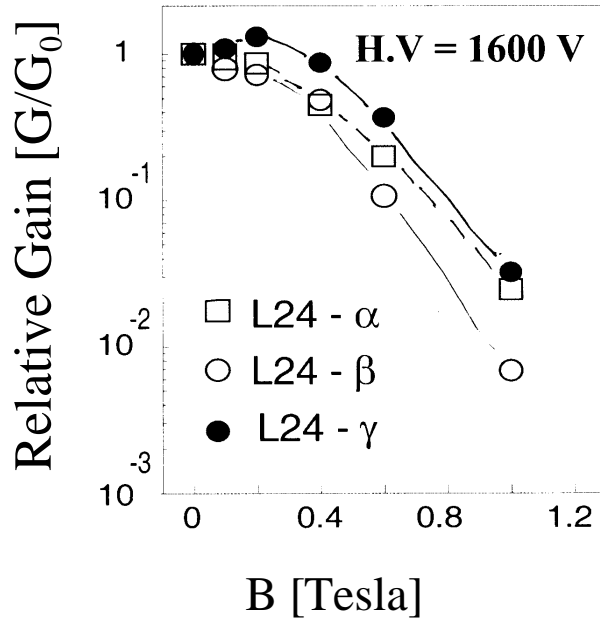
Hamamatsu&Nagoya R&D: M. Hirose et al., NIM A460(2001)326:



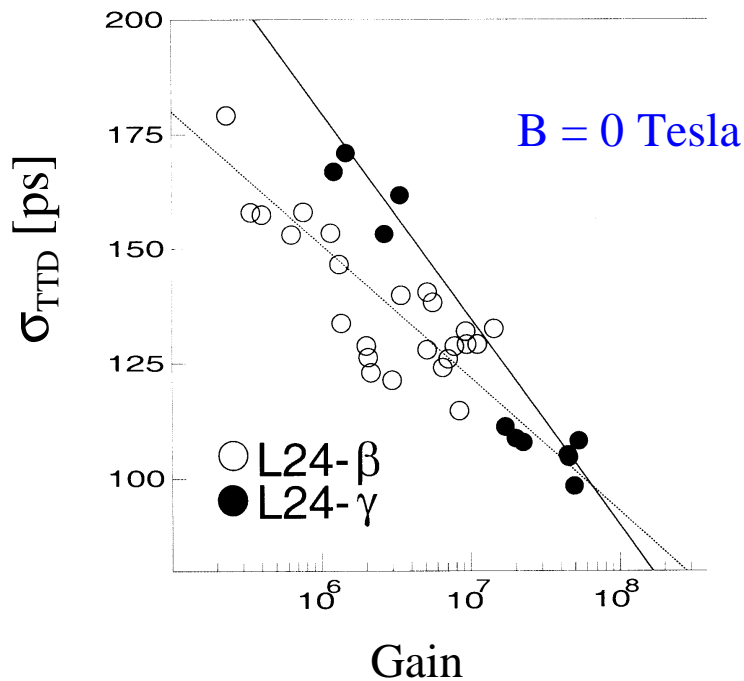
Photocathode	Bi-alkali (visible & UV)
Maximum magnetic field	1.5 Tesla
Geometrical packing efficiency	~90%
Collection efficiency of the dynode structure	52%(α) & 63%(β) & 85% (γ)
Cathode-the 1-st dynode distance = L	2.5-3 (α) and 1 (β, γ) mm
Mesh design (lines/inch)	2000 (α, β) 2500 (γ) lines/inch
Mesh design (pitch)	9 (γ) & 12.5 (β) μ m
Operating voltage (B=1.5 Tesla)	-3.4 kV (γ)
Pixel size	26.5 mm x 0.8 mm
Number of pixels	24
Gain in 1.5 Tesla	$\sim 5 \times 10^6$ @ -3.4 kV (γ)
Number of stages	24 (α) 19 (β, γ)
Resistor chain (K - D1 - D2 - -> A)	1-1-....-1 (α) & 2-1-....-1 (β, γ)
PMT rise-time	~1.0 ns
Timing resolution per single photon (Nagoya)	$\sigma \sim 100$ ps at B < 1Tesla
Timing resolution per single photon (Nagoya)	$\sigma \sim 150$ ps at B ~ 1.5Tesla

- This PMT has a good single photon pulse height distribution.
- It can operate at 1.5 Tesla magnetic field.

b) Relative gain = f(Magnetic field):



a) Transit time distribution = f(Gain):



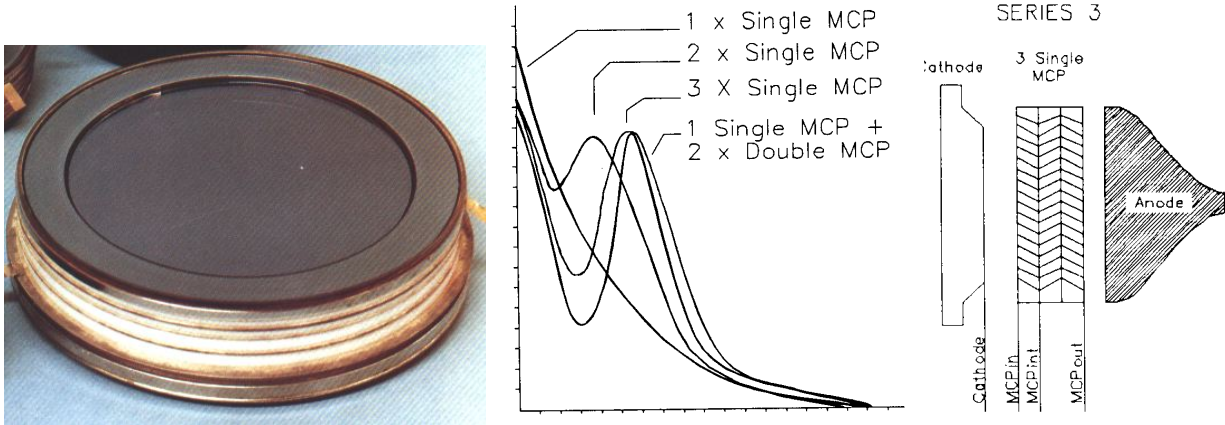
• Conclusion of the test:

- To reach $\sigma \sim 100$ ps, one needs a gain of $3-5 \times 10^7$ at 1.5 Tesla, and an ADC corrected timing.

Multi-anode Microchannel Plates ?

Example: Photek MCP 340:

Photek Ltd., U.K. (Note: other companies make similar devices):

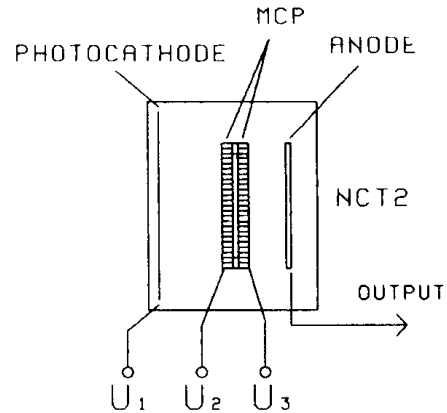
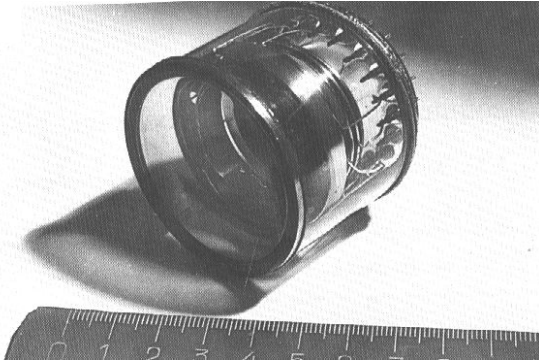


Photocathode	Bi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Detector	Microchannel plate
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	-2.15 kV
Max. voltage per one microchannel plate	~850 Volts
Sensitive area	40 mm dia.
Multi-anode arrangement	8x8 matrix
Geometrical packing efficiency	~20 %
Gain	~ 10⁷
Rise time	~0.5 ns
Transit Time Distribution	$\sigma \sim 55 \text{ ps}$
Magnetic field	1.5 Tesla possible

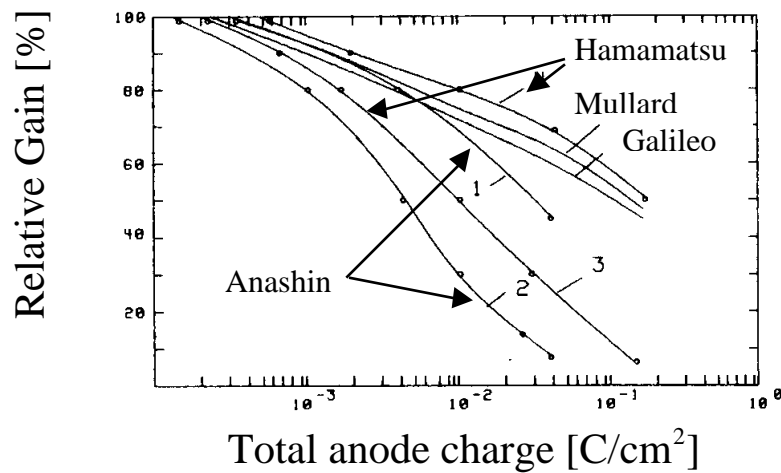
- Good single electron pulse height spectrum.
- Two MCPs would deliver a sufficient gain.
- **Why don't we all use it? (assuming that money does not matter)**
The answer: A significant aging is observed.

Aging with Microchannel plates:

V.V. Anashin et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A357(1995)103:



Photocathode	Bi-alkali
Maximum magnetic field	1.5 Tesla
Operating voltage	1.5 kV
Number of Microchannel plates	2
Gain	$\sim 10^7$
Significant gain reduction after anode charge	$10\text{-}20 \text{ mC/cm}^2$
Dead time per MCP channel	a few ms



- Significant aging of the gain and QE by an ion bombardment (authors did not separate the two contributions, unfortunately).
- DIRC, with such a detector, would not live even a year.

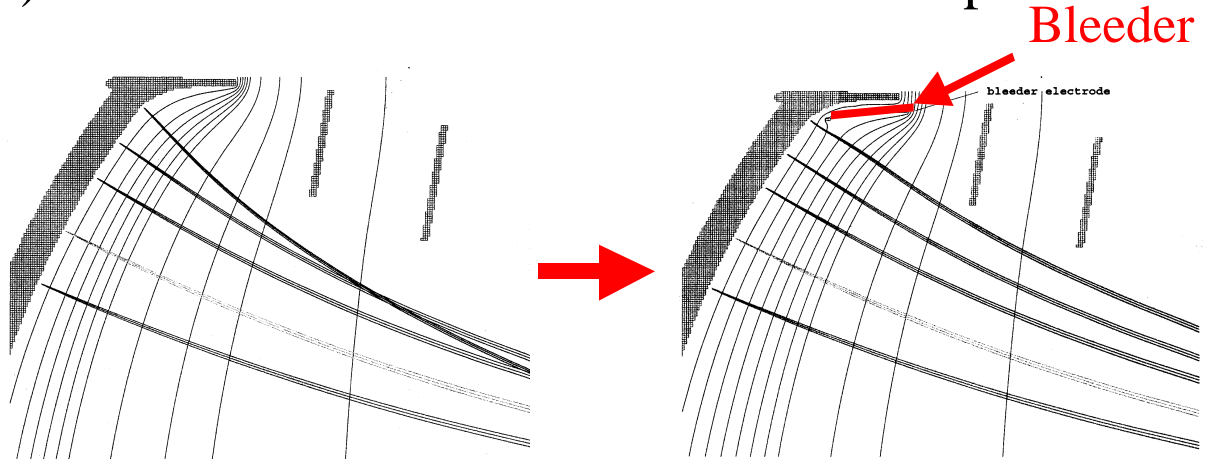
HPD

- **CERN HPD development.**
- **DEP HPD development for LHC-b.**
- **A sub-nanosecond timing resolution with an ordinary HPD ?**

Electrostatics of the HPDs:

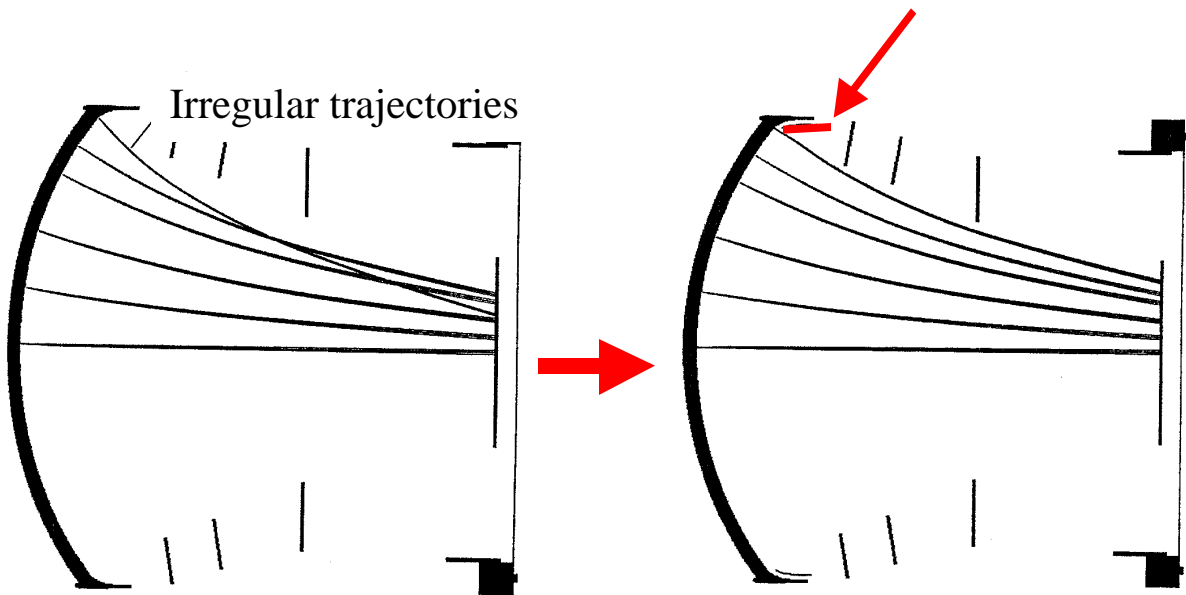
D. Ferenc, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A431(1999)460:

1) Introduced the bleeder electrode concept



a) No bleeder electrode

b) With the bleeder electrode



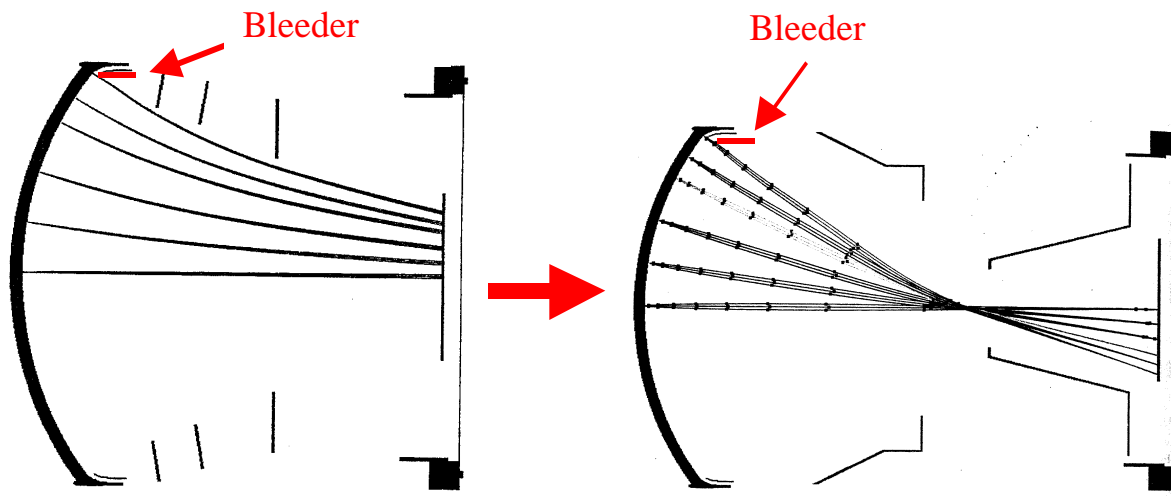
- The bleeder electrode is essential to define unique mapping.

2) Cross-focussing optics allows a positive ion barrier:

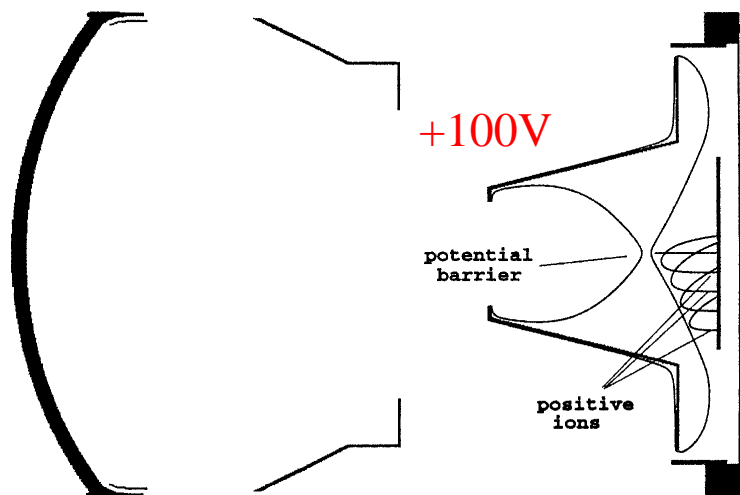
D. Ferenc, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A431(1999)460,

D. Ferenc, D. Hrupec and E. Lorentz, NIM, A427(1999)518:

a) Fountain-focussing: b) Cross-focussing



c) Positive ions are trapped by a +100 Volts bias:

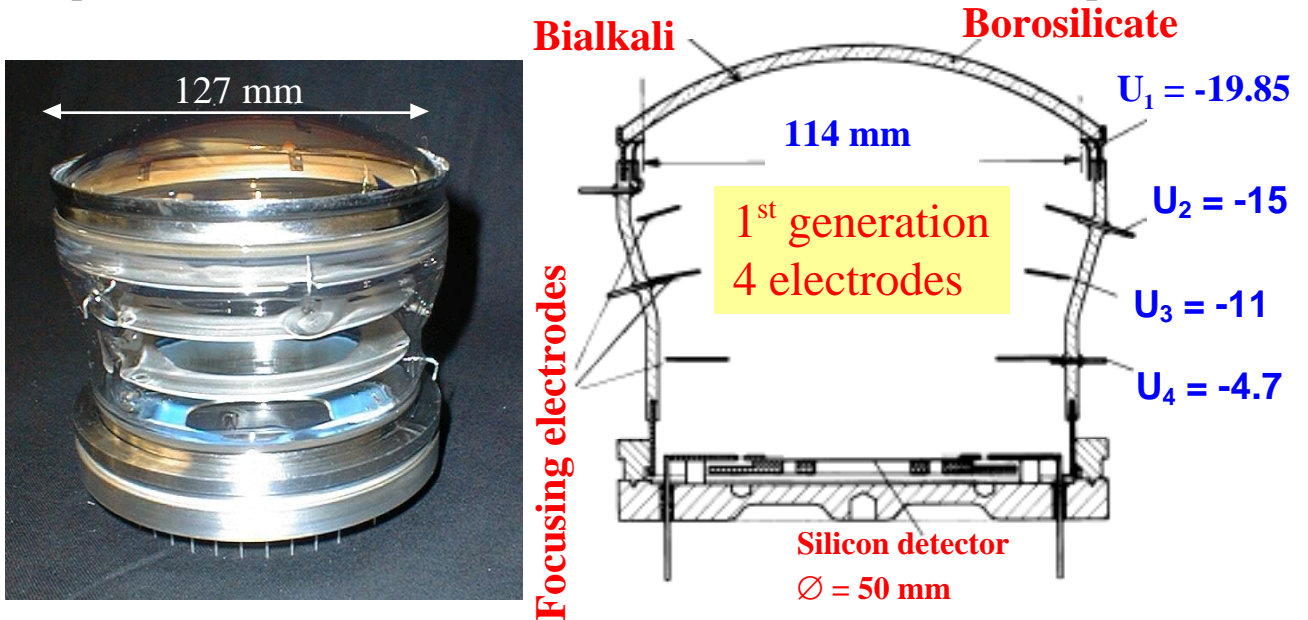


- Simulation software used: SIMION 3D

(D.A.Dahl,43-rd ASMS Conf. on Mass Spectroscopy and Applied topics, Atlanta, 1995).

CERN/LHCb 5" Pad HPD:

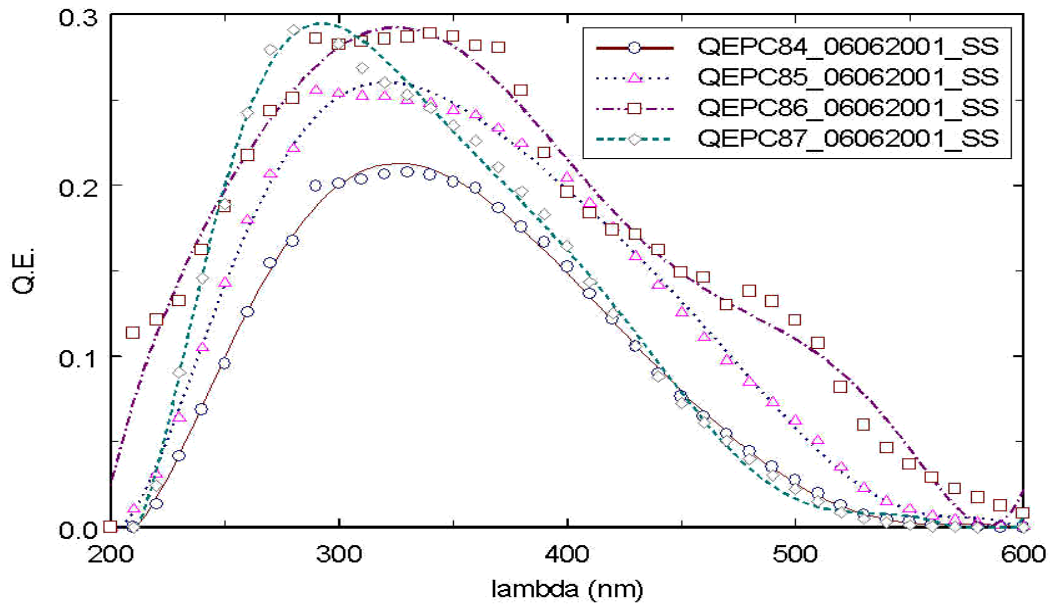
J. Sequinot, C. Joram, A. Bream, P. Wielhammer, E. Chesi, T. Ypsilantis:



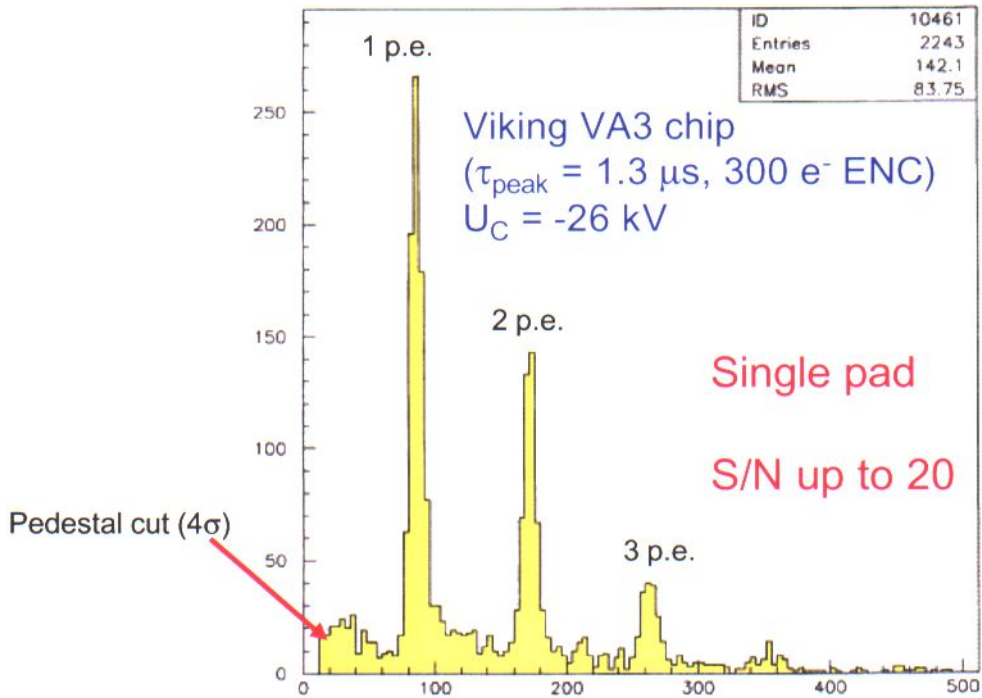
Photocathode	Bi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	-20 kV
Detector	Pixel Silicon PIN diode
Pixel size	1mm x 1mm
Matrix	16 x 128
Number of pixels	2048
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	1 mm x 1 mm
Electron optics	Fountain focusing
Demagnification	4
Photo-electron transit time distribution σ_{TTD}	<100 ps
Hole transit time distribution σ_{TTD}	~3-4ns
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim (V-V_{th}) q_e / 3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1\text{kV}$	~5000 @ -20kV
Measured electronics noise	~400 electrons
Random noise per pad at 20 kV	5.6×10^{-4}
Type of amplifier	Viking VA3
Shaping time	1.3 μs

- Internal electronics: Viking VA3.

Measured Quantum efficiency = $f(E_{\text{photon}})$:

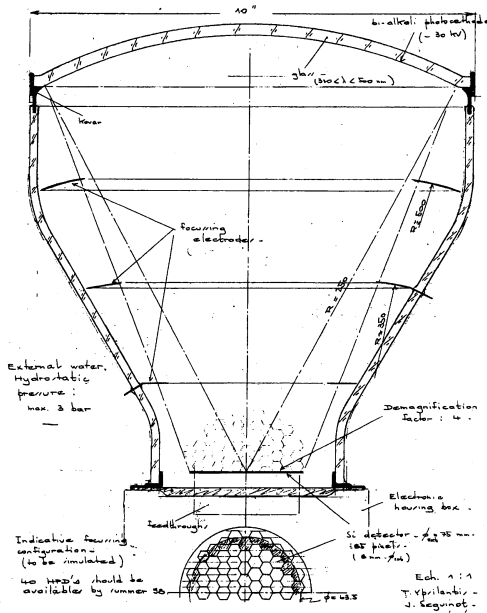




Pulse height spectrum:



CERN 10" Pad HPD:

J. Sequinot, Ch. Joram, P. Wielhamer, E. Chesi, M. Alemi, D. Ferenc, etc.:
 CLUE cosmic ray experiment, La palma, Canary Islands.

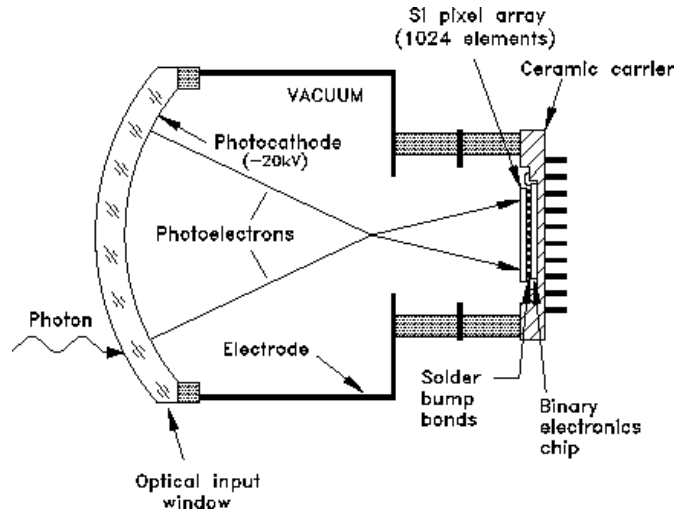


Photocathode	Bi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	Up to -30 kV 
Detector	Pixel Silicon PIN diode
Pixel size	8mm diameter
Number of pixels	85
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	32 mm diameter
Electron optics	Fountain focusing
Demagnification	4
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim (V - V_{th})q_e / 3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1 \text{ kV}$	$\sim 8000 @ -30 \text{ kV}$ 

- The device will use an external electronics.

LHCb – HPD made by DEP:

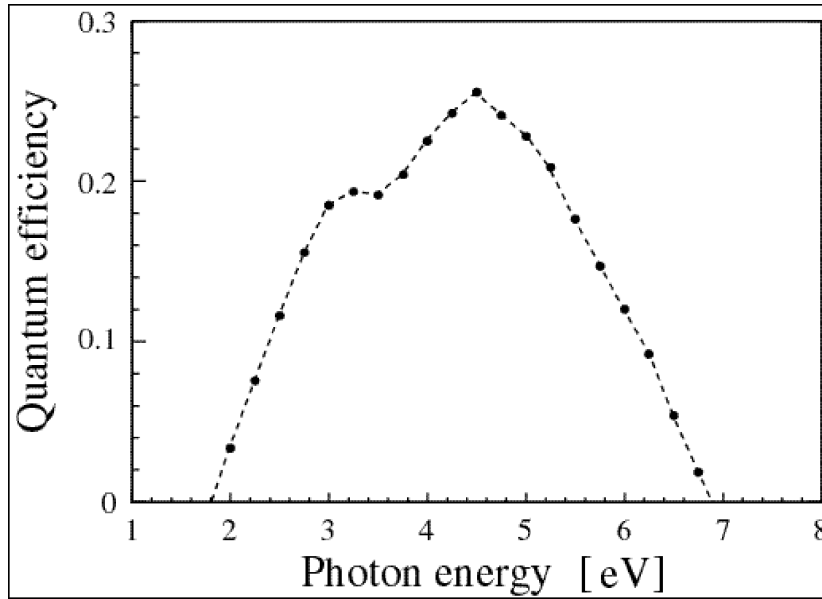
Thierry Gys, LHC-b R&D:



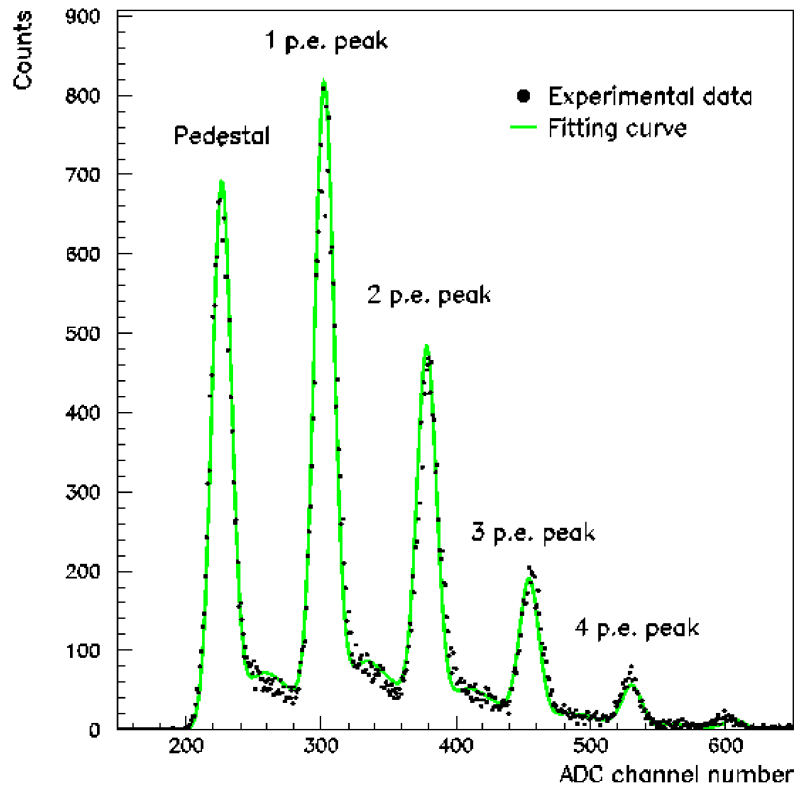
Photocathode	Bi-alkali (K,CsSb)
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	-20 kV
Geometrical packing efficiency	~81%
Detector	Canberra PIN diode
Pixel size	50µm x 500 µm
Pixel capacitance	~4pF
Matrix	320 x 32
Number of pixels	1024
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	2.5 mm x 2.5 mm
Electron optics and demagnification	Cross-focussed and 5
PIN diode silicon volume resistivity	~5 kΩ.cm
Photo-electron transit time distribution	<100 ps
Hole collection time spread	~3-4ns
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim(V-V_{th})q_e/3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1\text{kV}$	~5000 @ -20kV
Electronics noise (plan for LHCb)	~250 electrons
Type of amplifier	New development
Shaping time (plan for LHCb)	~25 ns

- Internal electronics.

Measured Quantum Efficiency = $f(E_{\text{photon}})$:

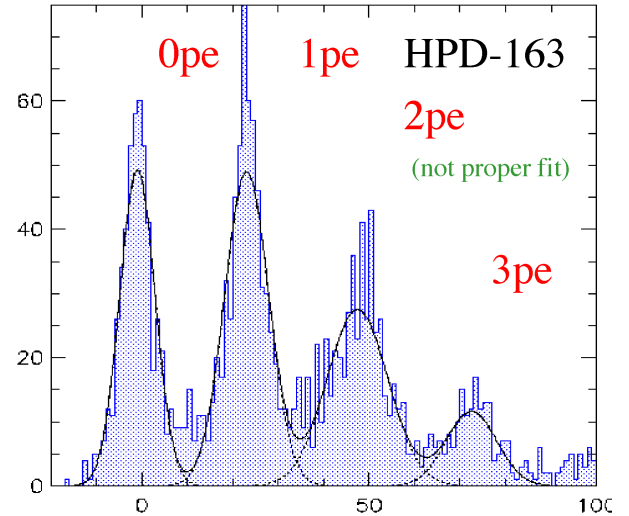


Pulse Height Spectrum:



BTEV – HPD made by DEP:

Ray Mountain, Syracuse University:



Photocathode	Bi-alkali (K ₂ CsSb)
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	-20 kV
Geometrical packing efficiency	81%
Detector	Canberra PIN diode
Pixel size	1.4 mm flat-to-flat, hex.
Pixel capacitance	~10pF
Number of pixels	163
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	6.5 mm flat-to-flat, hex.
Electron optics and demagnification	Cross-focused and 4.1
PIN diode silicon volume resistivity	~5 kΩ.cm
Photo-electron transit time distribution	~100 ps
Hole collection time spread	~3-4ns
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim(V - V_{th})q_e / 3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1 \text{ kV}$	~5000 @ -20kV
Electronics noise	~500 electrons
Type of amplifier	VA-2 type of amplifier
Shaping time during the initial tests	~2 μs

- External electronics.

Electronics for HPDs:

1) CERN HPD Development

a) VA2 / VA3 (presently used): $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 1.3 \mu\text{s}$, Noise $\approx 400 e^-$

b) VA1-PRIME: $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 0.35 - 2 \mu\text{s}$.

c) SCTA 128: $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 20 \text{ ns}$, Noise $450 e^- + 35 e^-/\text{pF}$.

d) VATAGP 128: $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 3 \mu\text{s}$, Self-triggering “slow” chip.

2) LHC-b HPD Development

$\tau_{\text{peak}} \sim 25 \text{ ns}$, Noise $\sim 250e^-$.

Other variables:

Discriminator threshold: 2000e

Power consumption of chip: $\sim 0.5 \text{ W}$

Radiation dose over 10 years: 30 kRad

Level-0 trigger: 1 MHz, 4 μs latency

Process: 0.25 μm CMOS

3) BTEV HPD Development

a) VA2 - CLEO III (present tests): $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 2 \mu\text{s}$, Noise $\approx 500 e^-$

b) VA-32/75 (BTEV experiment): $\tau_{\text{peak}} = 75 \text{ ns}$.

Can one achieve a good timing resolution with an HPD ?

- The last time I spoke with Tom Ypsilantis was about this subject. Tom was very optimistic that one can achieve a 100ps resolution with CERN-style HPD with PIN diode, I was rather skeptical. Two years later, what is my opinion ?

Expected timing resolution:

For Si detectors, followed by charge sensitive amplifier, the timing resolution is typically determined by a ratio of the amplifier noise and the slope of the pulse at the threshold V_0 .

$$\sigma_t = \sigma_{AMP} / \left(\left. \frac{dV}{dt} \right|_{\text{at threshold } V_0} \right) \sim$$

$$\sim \sigma_{AMP} * Tr / V_{peak}$$

where σ_{AMP} [mV] is amplifier noise, Tr is the pulse rise time, and V_{peak} [mV] is the peak amplitude of the HPD signal.

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- Tr should be small (small capacitance/pixel, large PIN diode bias voltage, use APDs, drift electrons instead of holes in silicone, etc).
 - V_{peak} should be large (high HPD gain, use APDs).
 - σ_{AMP} should be small.
 - Want to trigger where pulses dV/dt is max.

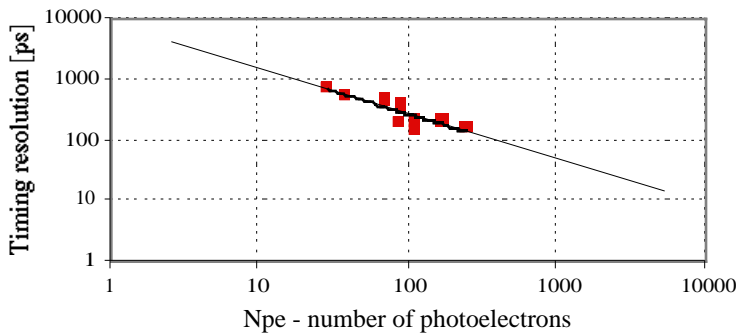
The timing formula correct within ~10%.

R. DeSalvo et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A367(1995)384:

Tested by varying:

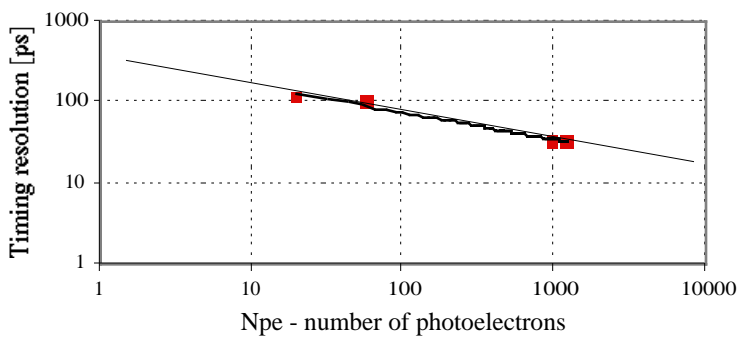
- HPD gain,
- HPD rise time by varying the PIN diode bias voltage,
- the preamplifier input impedance,
- the preamplifier noise.

DeSalvo's measurement: $\sigma = f(N_{pe})$



HPD DEP-P-25:
 PIN diode,
 Proximity focussed,
 -15kV,
 Gain ~3500,
 Amp: ~2ns risetime,
 (home made)
 V_b ~200-300 V,
 300μm thick Si,
 270pF capacitance!

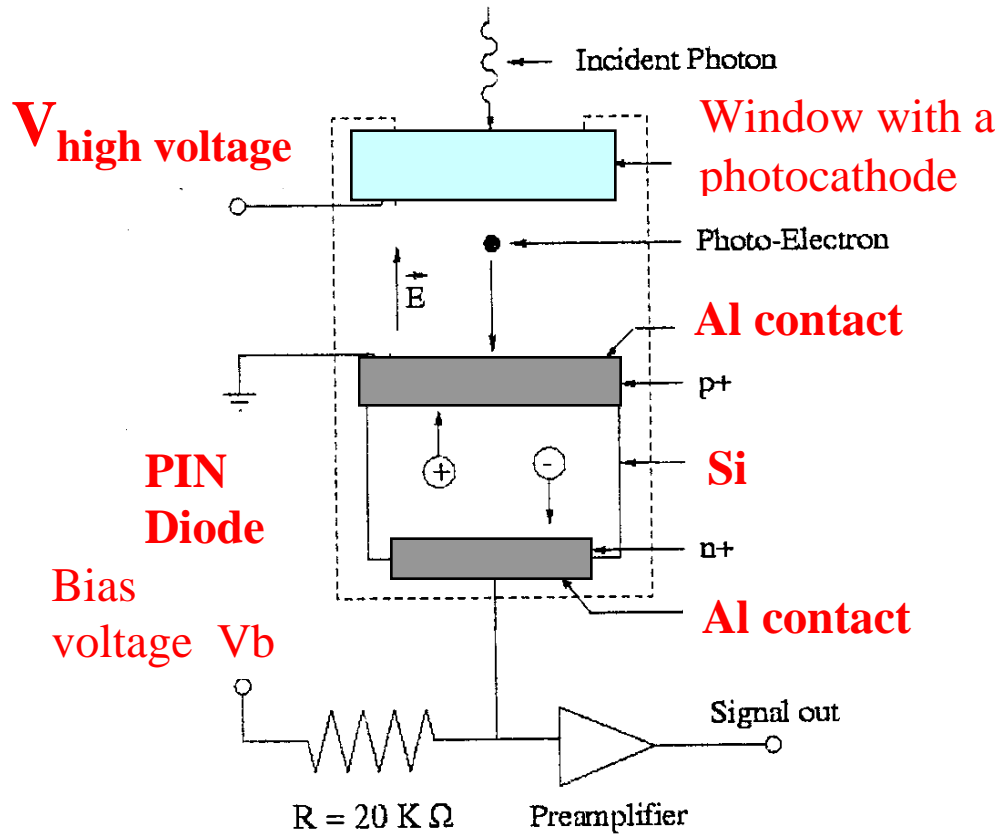
A.H. Heering - DEP internal memo: $\sigma = f(N_{pe})$



HPD DEP-E18:
 PIN diode,
 Electrostatically focusing,
 -15kV,
 Gain ~3500,
 Ortec 142A amplifier,
 <5ns risetime,

- $\sigma \sim 100\text{-}200\text{ps}$ is definitely achievable for $N_{pe} \sim 100$.
- However, for $N_{pe} \sim 1$ not clear (can we extrapolate like this?).

Equivalent circuit:



1) Gain:

$$\text{Gain} \sim (V_{high\ voltage} - V_{threshold}) q_e / 3.62\ eV$$

where $V_{threshold} \sim -2.1\ kV$ typically, is energy loss in the aluminum contact layer, q_e is the electron charge.

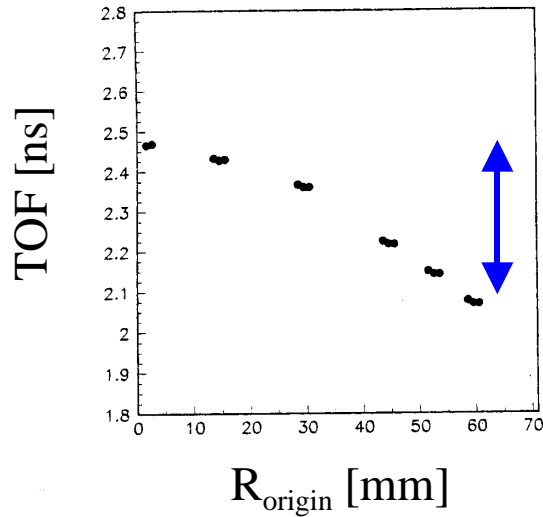
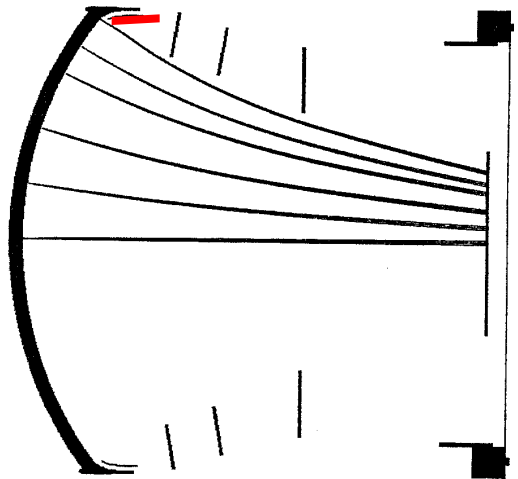
2) HPD rise time T_r is a convolution of:

Amp rise time \otimes **Electron drift distr.** \otimes **Hole drift distr.**
 $\sim 2-3\ ns$ \otimes $\sim 100ps$ \otimes $3-4ns.$

Electron drift distribution (σ_{TTD}):

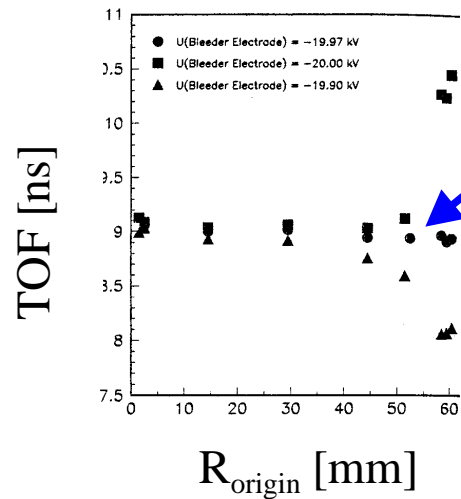
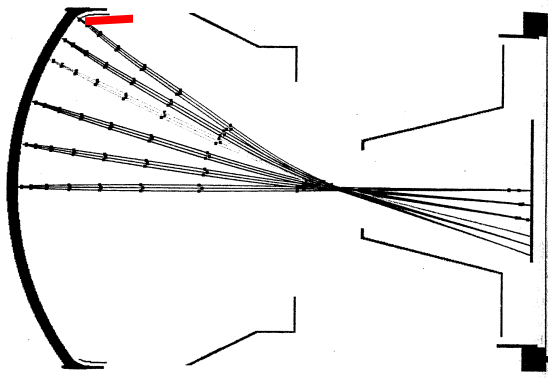
D. Ferenc, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A431(1999)460:

a) Fountain-focussing optics with the bleeder electrode:



400ps
timing
spread

b) Cross-focussing optics with the bleeder electrode:



Tweak
the
bleeder
electrode
voltage

- The cross-focussing optics has more uniform timing spread if the bleeder electrode voltage is properly tweaked.
- $\sigma_{TTD} \sim 100\text{-}200\text{psec}$ for electron appears possible.

Hole drift distribution (σ_{TTD}):

P.B. Cushman and A. Heering, IEEE, San Diego, CA, 2001.

Current pulse:

$$I(t) = e^{\left(\frac{2\mu V_d}{d^2}\right) t} Nq\mu(V_b - V_d)/d^2$$

and its width:

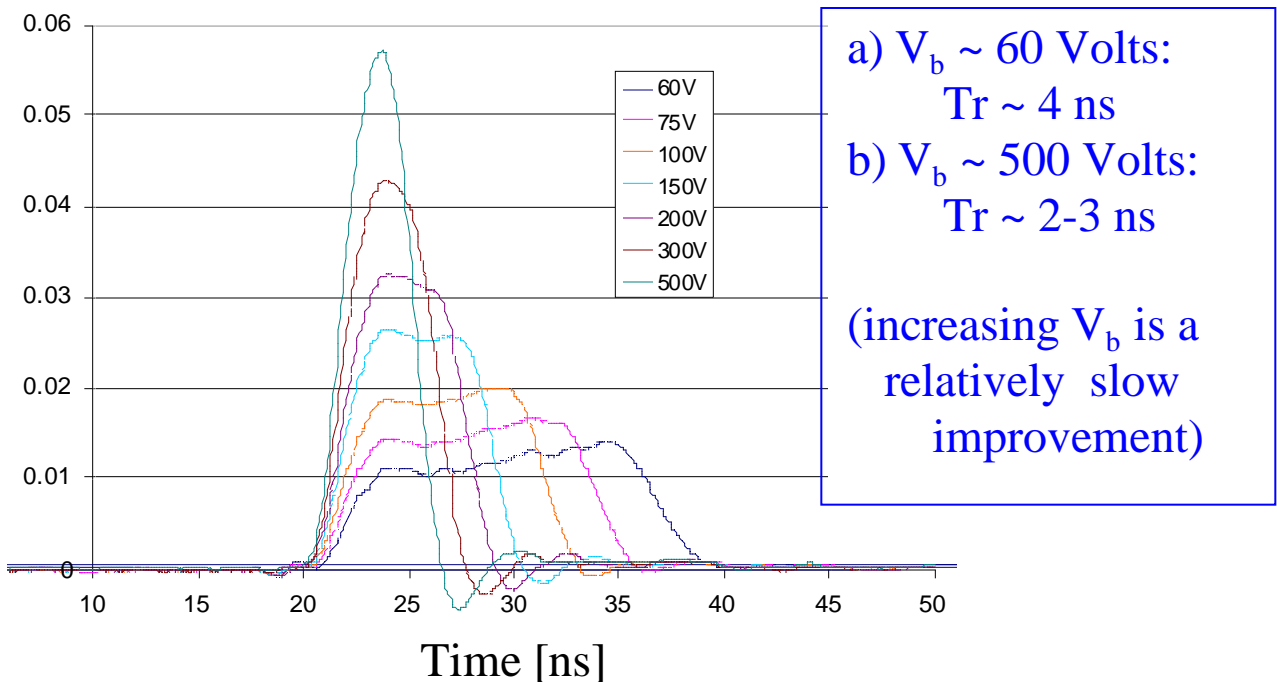
$$\Delta(\text{ns}) = d^2 \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{V_b + V_d}}{\sqrt{V_b - V_d}}\right) / \mu V_d \approx d^2 / \mu V_b \text{ (for } V_d \text{ small)}$$

where Nq is total charge, V_b is bias voltage, V_d is depletion voltage, d is depletion depth, and μ is hole mobility.

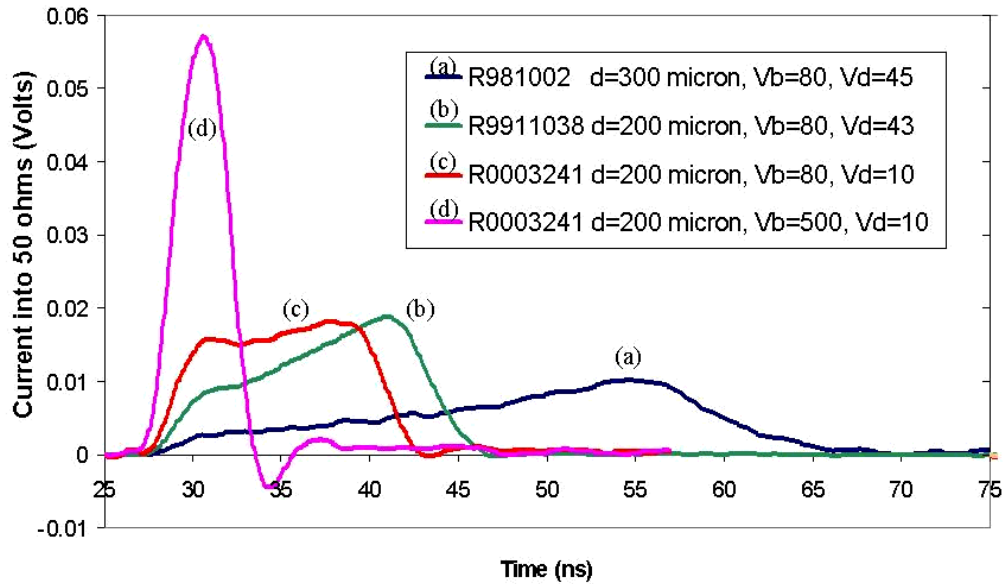
To minimize $\Delta(\text{ns})$, d should be small, V_b large, and V_d small, which corresponds to a high Si resistivity.

Smaller $\Delta(\text{ns})$ yields smaller risetime of the HPD pulse.

(a) Tune bias voltage V_b ($d = 200\mu\text{m}$, V_d small)



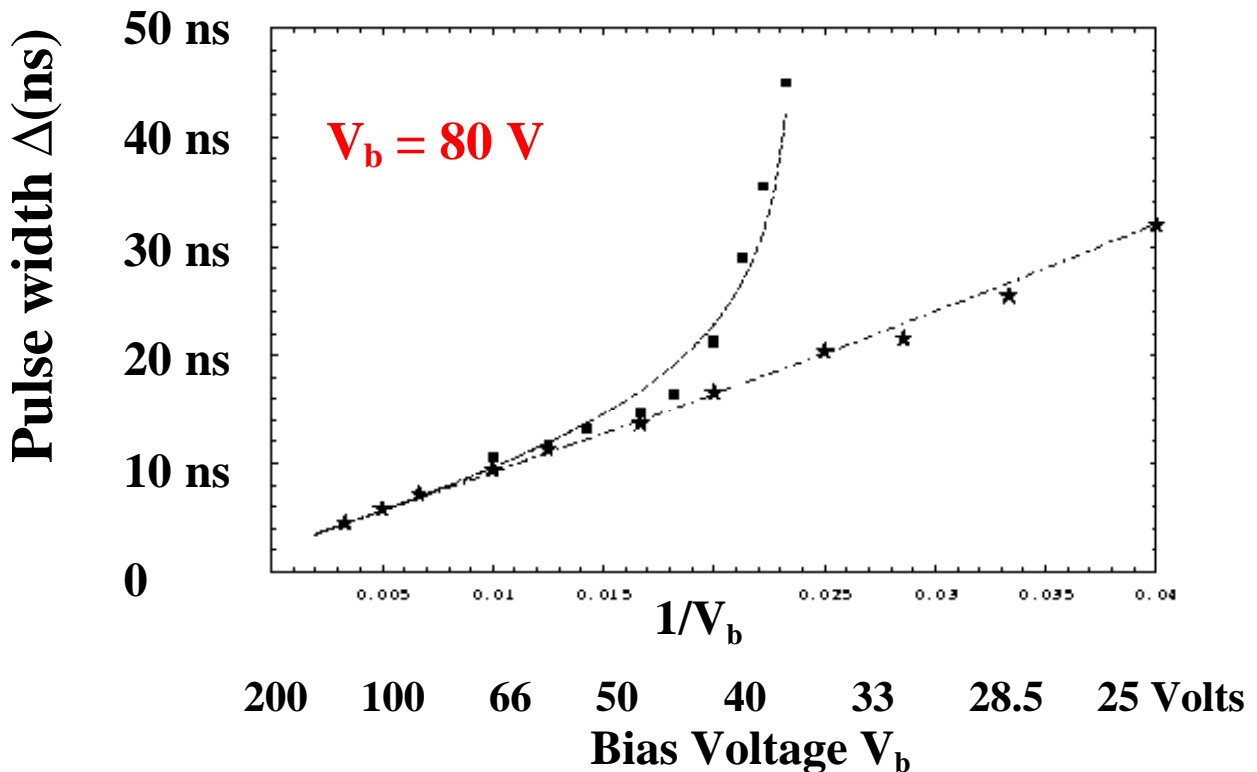
(b) Tune Si thickness (thinner means more noise !!!):



(c) Tune Si resistance, i.e. depletion depth:

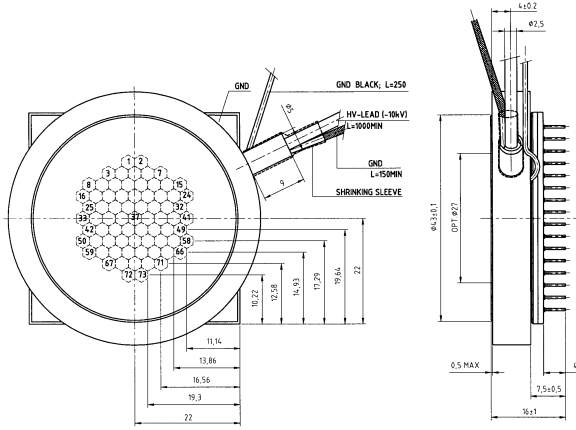
- For higher depletion (lower Ohmic silicon) $V_b - V_d \sim V_b$ is not true.

n - 3 kΩ-cm diodes, H - 12 kΩ-cm diodes



DEP Proximity Focussing HPD (0380AJ):

Used in P.B. Cushman's tests:



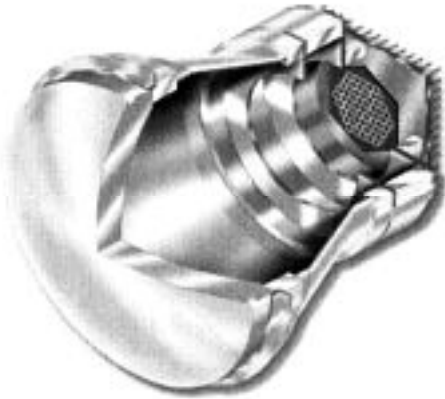
Photocathode	Bi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	-12 kV
Geometrical packing efficiency	~63%
Detector	Canberra PIN diode
Overall uniformity	~98%
Cross-talk from pixel-to-pixel	<2%
Pixel capacitance	~5pF
Number of pixels	73
PIN diode bias voltage	60-100 Volts
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	2.5 mm flat-to-flat
Electron optics and demagnification	Proximity focussed and 1
PIN diode silicon volume resistivity	~5 kΩ.cm
Photo-electron transit time distribution	<100 ps
Hole collection time spread	~3-4ns
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim (V - V_{th})q_e / 3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1 \text{ kV}$	~3000 @ -12kV
Required electronics noise	~400-600 electrons
Type of amplifier	Charge integrating
Expected timing resolution per single photon	Possibly a sub-ns



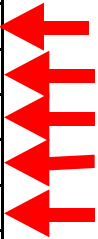
- Can operate in a 4 Tesla magnetic field.

DEP Electrostatically Focussing HPD (PP0380AU):

DIRC R&D at SLAC:



Photocathode	Bi-alkali (visible & UV)
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Operating voltage	-20 kV
Geometrical packing efficiency	~81%
Detector	Canberra PIN diode
Overall uniformity	>80%
Cross-talk from pixel-to-pixel	<2%
Pixel capacitance	~4pF
Number of pixels	61
PIN diode bias voltage	60-100 Volts
Pixel size (granularity at the photo-cathode plane)	2.5 mm flat-to-flat
Electron optics and demagnification	Proximity focussed and 5
PIN diode silicon volume resistivity	~5 kΩ.cm
Photo-electron transit time distribution	<100 ps
Hole collection time spread	~3-4ns
PIN diode signal formed from:	Motion of holes
Gain $\sim(V-V_{th})q_e/3.62 \text{ eV}$, $V_{th} \sim 2.1\text{kV}$	~5000 @ -20kV
Required electronics noise	~400-600 electrons
Type of preamplifier & amplifier	ORTEC 142A + 9302
Combined max. charge gain of the system	~32 μV / e-h pair
Amplifier rise time (both together)	~5 ns
Expected timing resolution per single photon	Possibly a sub-ns



- Timing tests are in progress at SLAC.

What do we expect ?

Parameters of our test:

- ORTEC 142A amplifier + ORTEC-9302 (200x),
- Gain $\sim 0.16 \mu\text{V}/\text{e-h pair}$,
- $Q_{\text{in}} \sim 5000$ electrons @ 20kV (HPD gain),
- $\sigma_{\text{AMP}} \sim 500$ electrons @ 5pF (amplifier noise),
- $V_{\text{peak}} \sim 0.8 \text{ mV} \times 200 = 160 \text{ mV}$,
- $V_{\text{noise}} \sim 0.08 \text{ mV} \times 200 = 16 \text{ mV}$,
- Tr (142A preamplifier) $\sim 5\text{-}6 \text{ ns}$ @ 5-10pF,
- Tr (9302 amplifier) $\sim 3 \text{ ns}$,
- Tr (PIN diode) $\sim 3\text{-}4 \text{ ns}$ (DEP information),
- $\sigma_t \sim 4 \text{ ns} * (500/5000) \sim 400 \text{ psec, or worse.}$

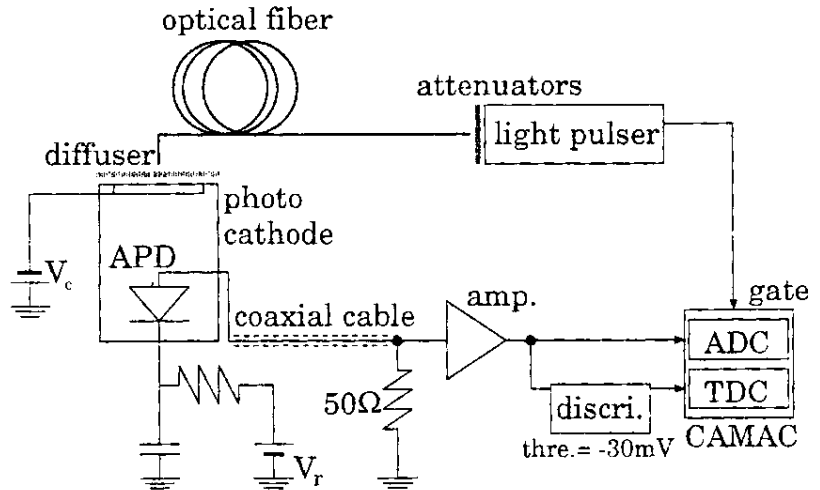
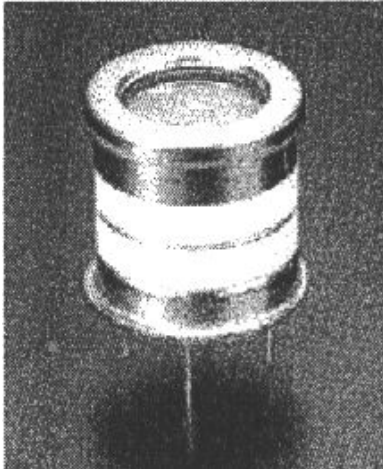
4) What to do next?

Discussions with DEP/Canberra, P. Cushman, R. DeSalvo, V. Radeka, D. Gedcke:

- Drift electrons. Unfortunately, Canberra does not plan to do this in the near future.
- Make ~~silicon thinner~~ (means more noise), of higher resistance, and run a large bias voltage.
- Run higher HPD voltage to get more signal.
- Can we gain from a multiple sampling of the waveform ?
V. Radeka (BNL) or D. Gedcke (ORTEC) argue that this works only in a noise-free limit, and not in the practical systems.
- **Use APD for the detector instead of PIN diode.**

Hamamatsu HAPD R7110U-07:

S. Matsui et al., NIM A463(2001)220, Belle Detector R&D in Nagoya:

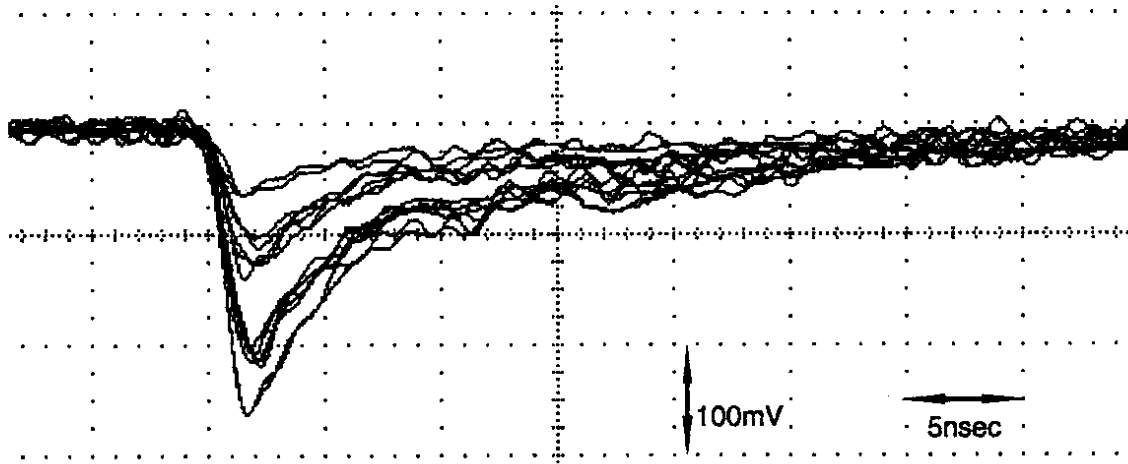


Photocathode	Multi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	-8.5 kV
APD diode bias voltage V_{APD}	~155 Volts
Avalanche Photodiode Detector diameter	3mm dia.
Sensitive area	8 mm dia.
Pixel capacitance	120 pF
Geometrical packing efficiency	16 %
Gain @ $V_{\text{photocathode}} = -9 \text{ kV}$ and $V_{\text{APD}} \sim 160 \text{ V}$	$\sim 1.5 \times 10^5$
Type of amplifier	MITEQ, 60dB, 300MHz BW
Rise time	~1.1 ns
Fall time	~14.8 ns
Pulse width	~4.9 ns
Timing resolution per single photon	$\sigma \sim 150 \text{ ps}$
Planned operating magnetic field	1.5 Tesla

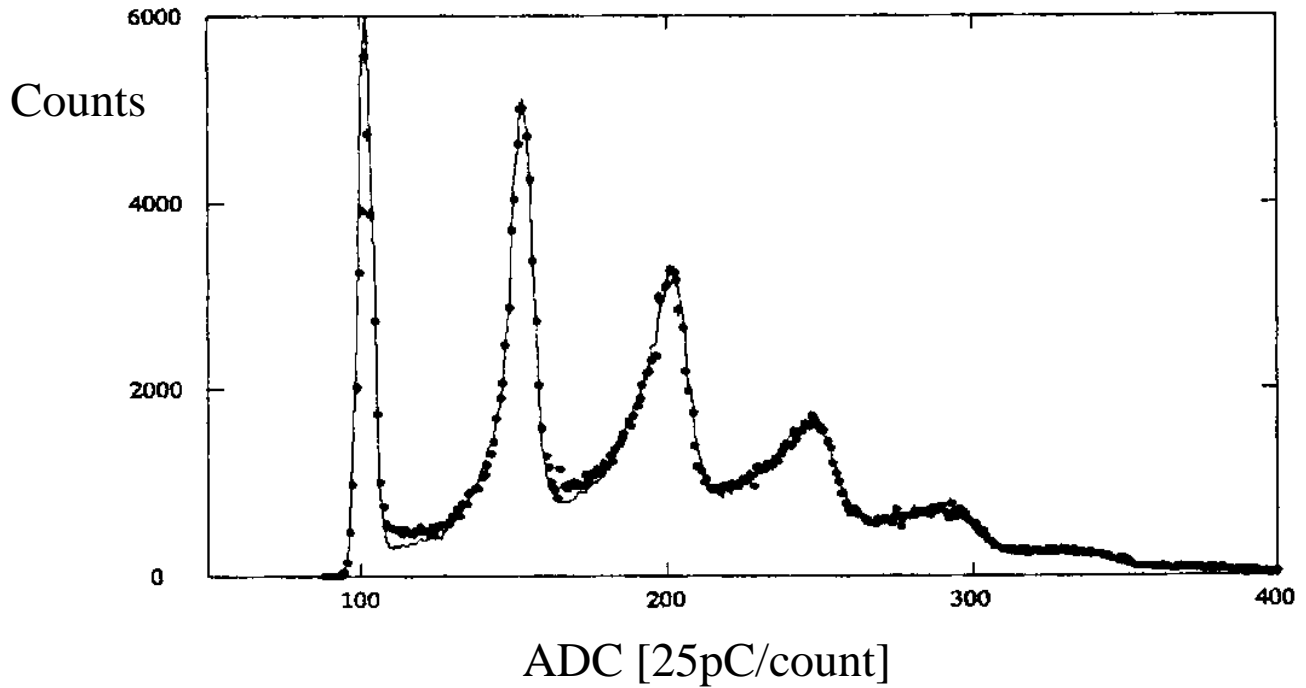
- They reached $\sigma \sim 150 \text{ ps}$ at a total HAPD gain of $\sim 1.5 \times 10^5$, by correcting the time walk with an ADC.
- To reach $\sigma \sim 100 \text{ ps}$, they conclude that they would need a total HAPD gain of $\sim 4 \times 10^5$.

a) HAPD pulses with 60dB, 300MHz BW amplifier:

100mV/div, 5 ns/div

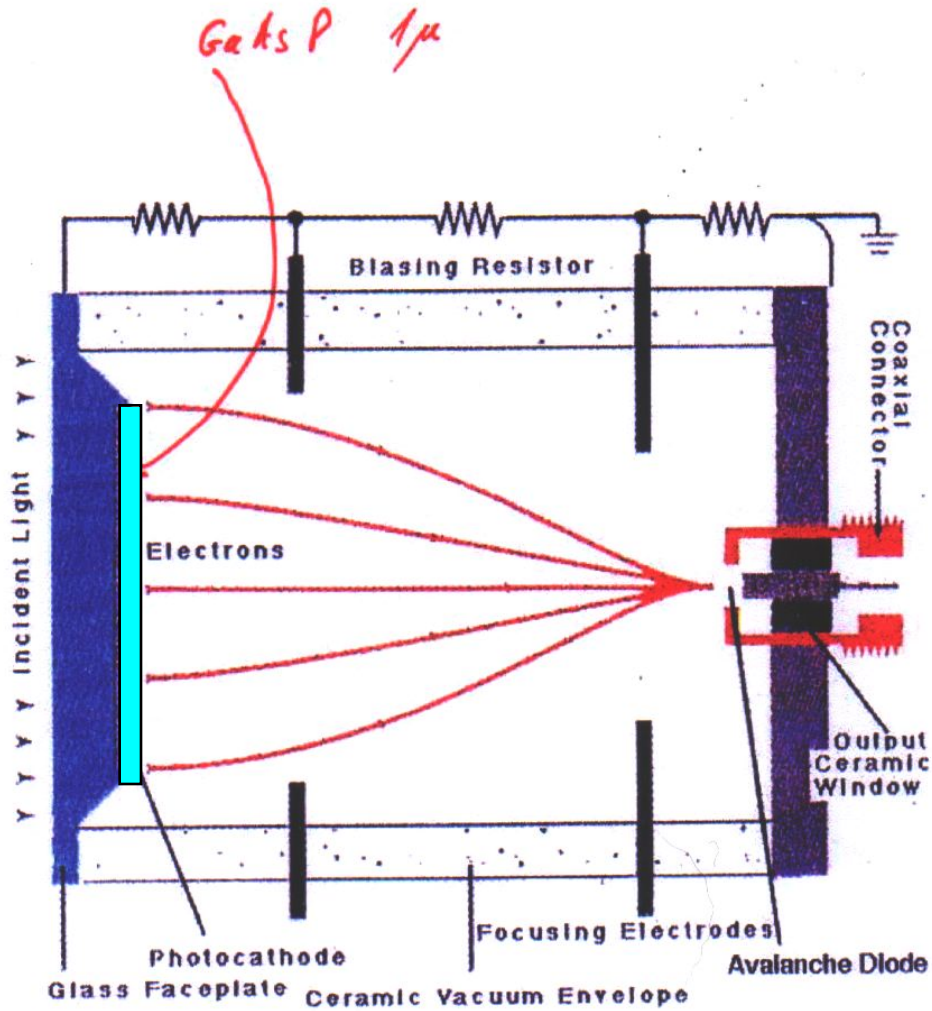


b) HAPD pulse height distribution:



Hamamatsu HAPD R7110U-07 is a derivative from an old INTERVAC tube:

E. Lorenz, private communication:



Photocathode	GaAs
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	<10 kV
Pixel capacitance	40 pF



- The INTERVAC tube developed in 1995.

R7110U-01MOD – a new development of high Q.E. (>45%), red extended, and very fast HAPD:

E. Lorenz, private communication (MPI/Hamamatsu joint development):

Goal:

- For harsh background from night sky or moonlight (3-10 GHz).
- Single electron sensitivity.
- Expect to reach time resolution of ~100ps.
- 18 mm diameter.
- Limit voltage to <10kV.

Solution:

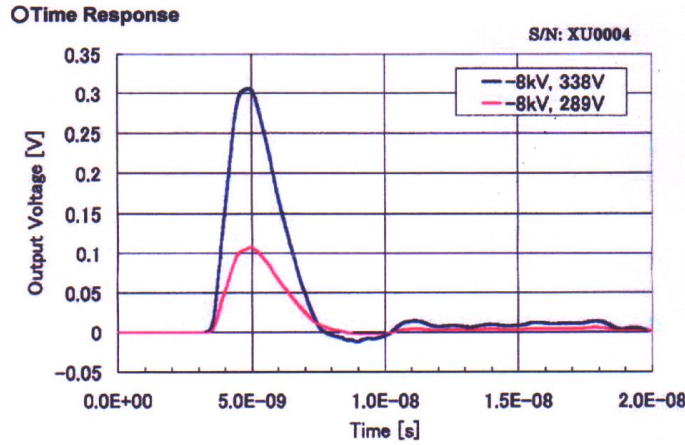
- HPD with GaAsP photocathode and low capacitance APD.

Present status:

Photocathode	GaAsP
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	-8 kV
APD diode bias voltage V_{APD}	~338 Volts
Sensitive area	18 mm dia.
Pixel capacitance	24 pF
Total Gain (APD gain alone is ~30x)	$\sim 5 \times 10^4$
Rise time	~0.8 ns
Fall time	~1.9 ns
Pulse width	~2.1 ns

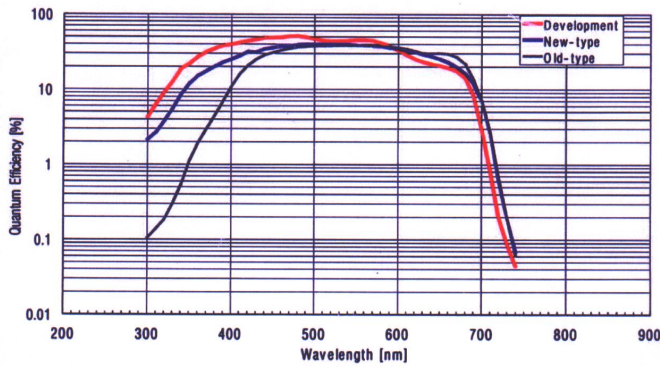
Pulses:

(Light source: FWHM ~ 35ps, 780nm; Photocathode voltage: -8kV; Load: 50Ω)



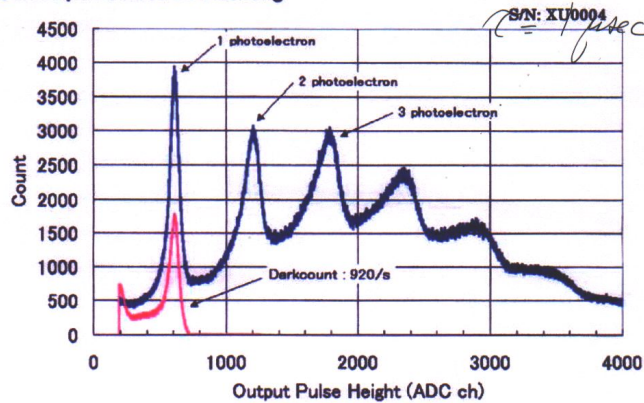
Q.E. of GaAsP photocathode:

(A further improvement at small wavelengths with a wavelength shifter)



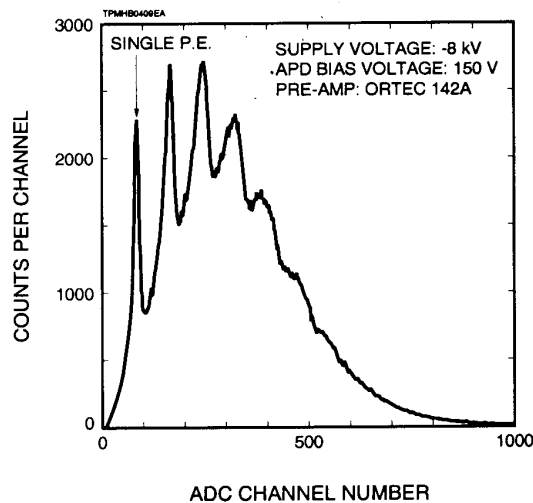
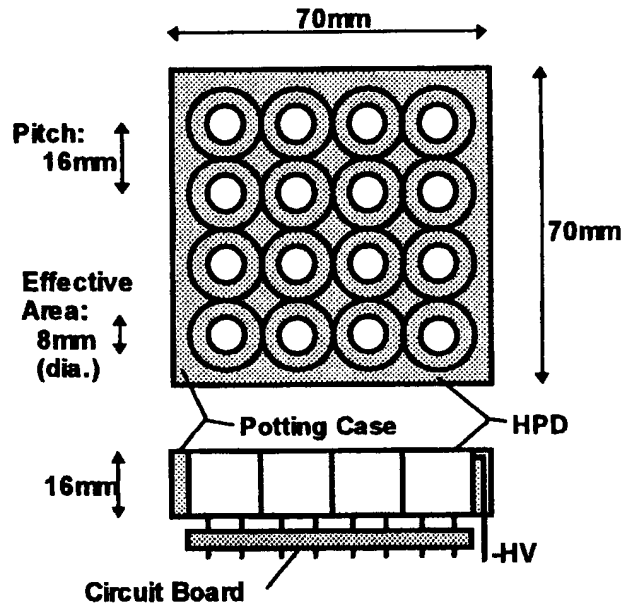
Pulse height spectrum with slower charge integrating amplifier:

(Photocathode voltage: -8kV; APD voltage: 338V; Light source: 650nm)



Hamamatsu offers “multi-pixel” 4x4 array R7110U-01 HPDs:

Hamamatsu information:

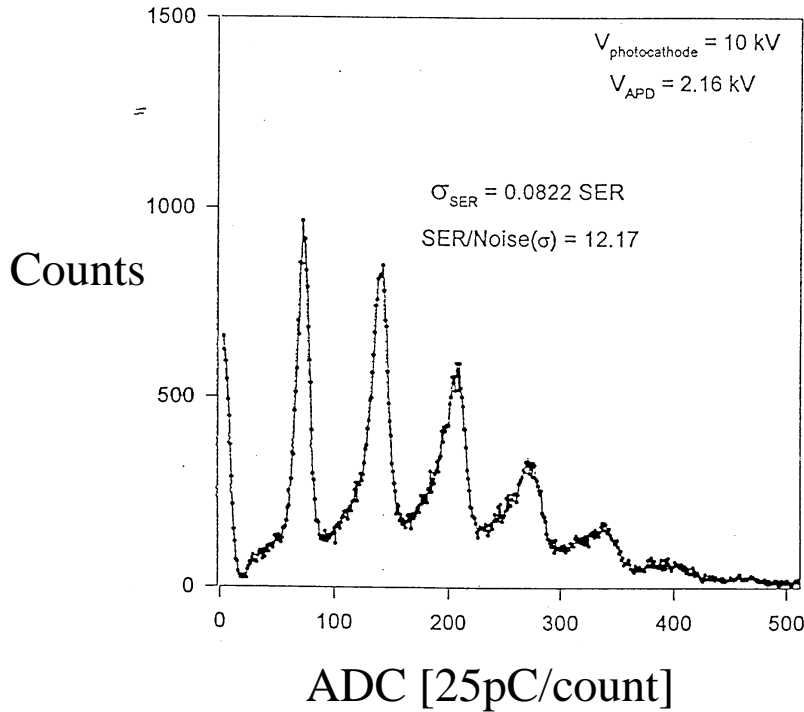


Photocathode	Multi-alkali
Detector	3mm dia. Avalanche Photodiode
Sensitive area	7 mm dia.
Amplifier	Ortec 142A
Planned operating magnetic field	1.5 Tesla

- It can work in a strong magnetic field (1.5 T).

Advanced Photonics VAPD:

M. Szawlowski, Advanced Photonics, Internal note, 1995:

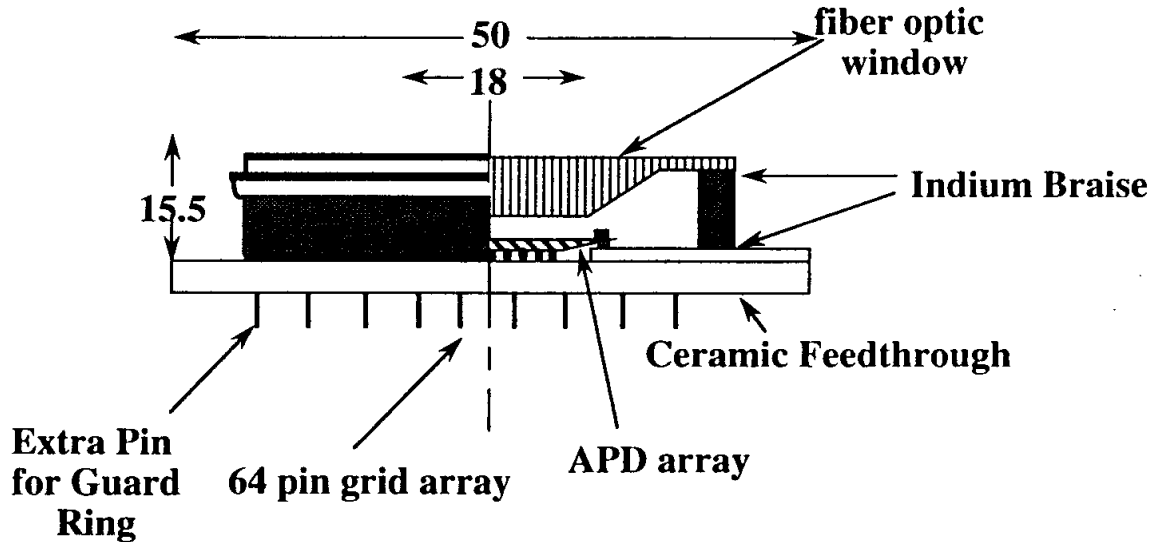


Photocathode	Multi-alkali
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	-10 kV
APD diode bias voltage V_{APD}	~2.2 kV
Detector	Aalanche Photodiode
APD size	16 mm dia.
Gain @ $V_{\text{photocathode}} = -10 \text{ kV}$ and $V_{\text{APD}} \sim 2.2 \text{ kV}$	up to $\sim 10^6$ ←
Rise time	~2-5 ns

- It was not tested for timing since they did not have a ps pulser at that time.
- The device was called VAPD.

64-channel APD-HPD:

P. Cushman, R. Rusack and V. Singh, Nucl. Physics B, 44 (1995) 35:

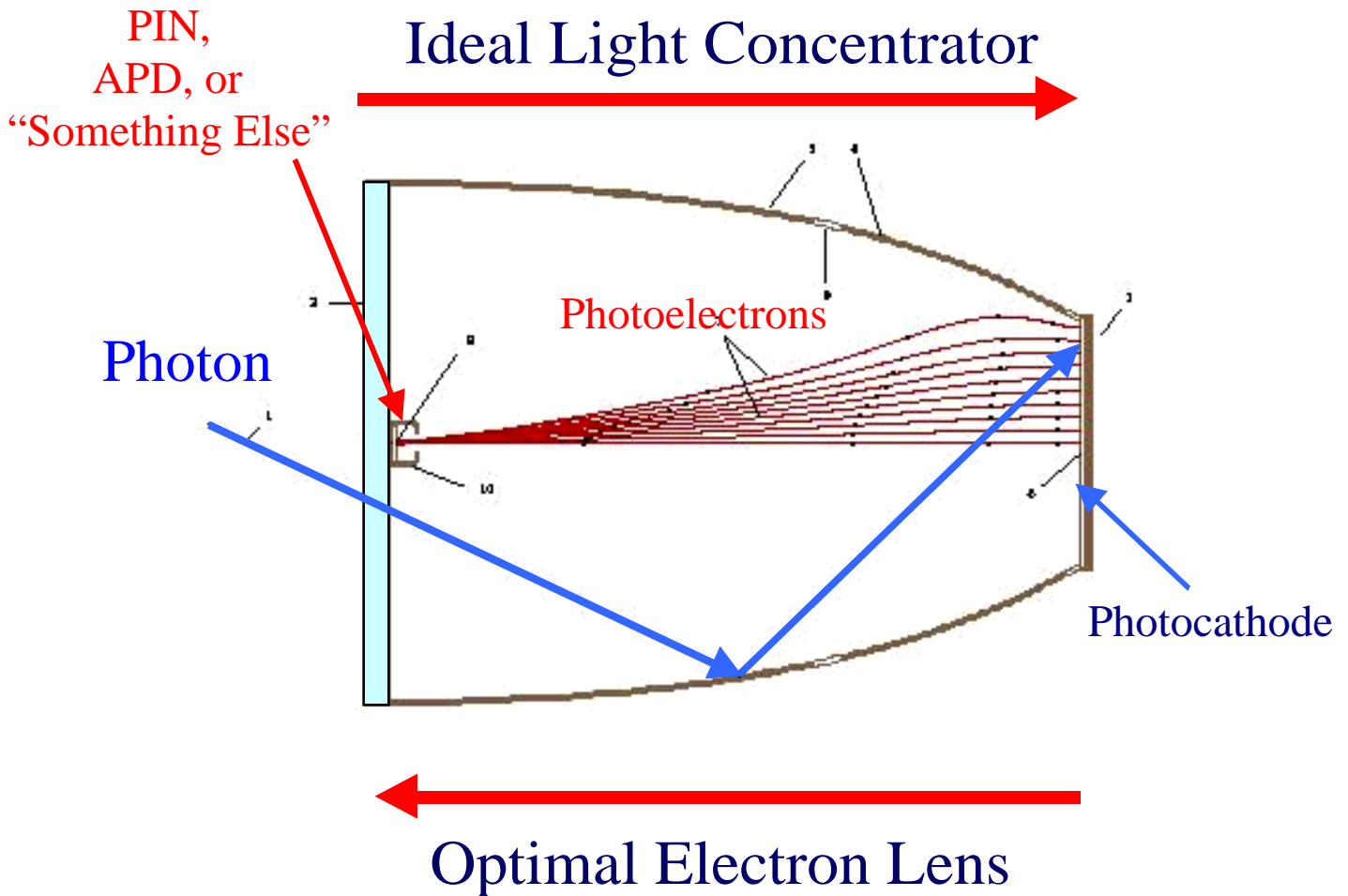


Photocathode	S-20
Accelerating medium	vacuum
Max. recommended value of $V_{\text{photocathode}}$	-10 kV
APD diode bias voltage V_{APD}	~2.0 kV
Detector	Avalanche Photodiode
APD array	8 x 8
APD Gain @ $V_{\text{APD}} \sim 2.0 \text{ kV}$	~1000
Total Gain @ $V_{\text{photocathode}} = -10 \text{ kV}$ & $V_{\text{APD}} \sim 2 \text{ kV}$	up to $\sim 10^6$
Rise time	2-5 ns

- The APD array was manufactured by Advanced Photonics Inc.
- The HPD was manufactured by Litton Electron Devices.
- This was another casualty of the SSC death....

ReFERENCE Photosensor:

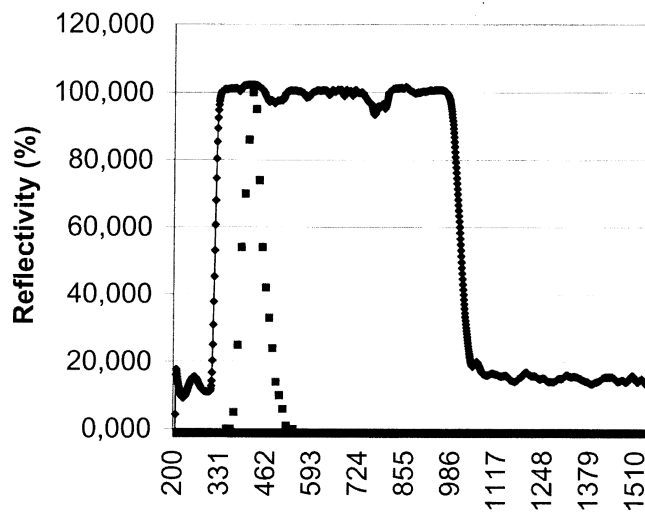
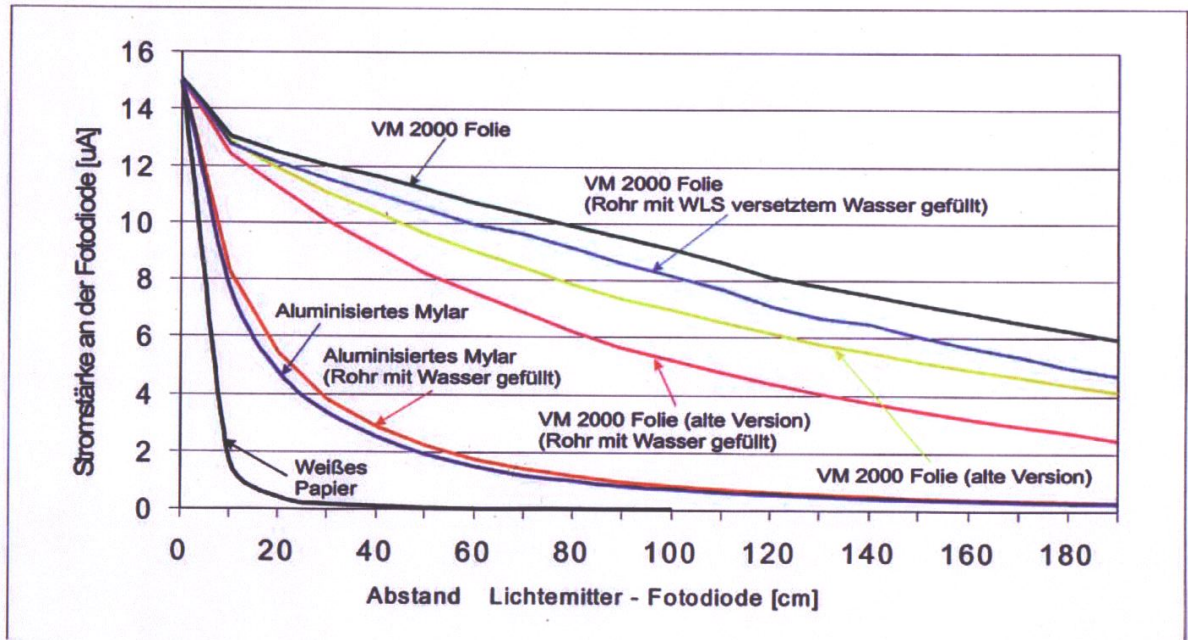
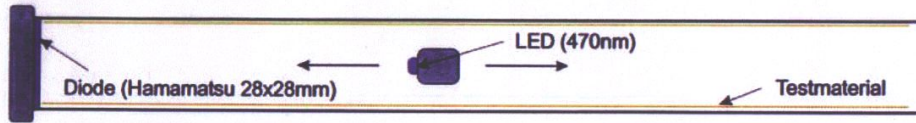
D. Ferenz, IEEE, Lyon, France, 2001, and private communication:



- Optimal usage of photocathode surface.
- Excellent Time-Resolution, although flat photocathode.
- Higher Quantum Efficiency in reflection mode.
- Efficient magnetic shielding.
- Many permutations of this idea possible.
- The first fully functional sealed prototype from ITT Night Vision will be soon available for evaluation.
- Use of very reflective film.

A very transparent foil:

E. Lorenz, private communication (3M product):



- Reflectivity of the film can be selected.

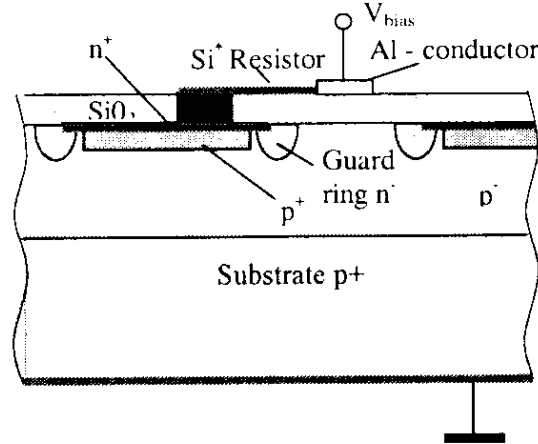
APD silicone arrays operating in a Geiger mode

- **Silicon PMT - SiPM.**

Silicon Photomultiplier - SiPM:

P. Buzhan, B. Dolgoshein et al., ICFA Instr. Bulletin, Fall 2001 issue

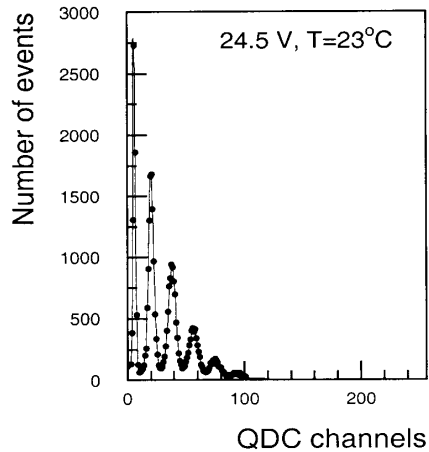
G. Bondarenko et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A442(2000)187:



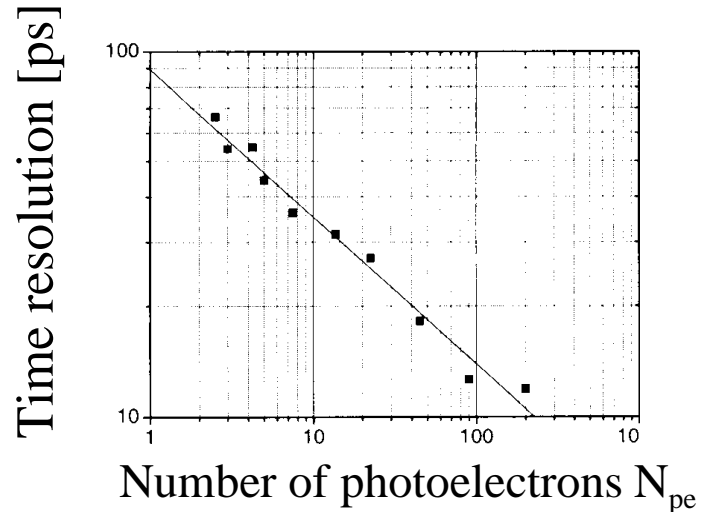
Photocathode	Silicon
Accelerating medium	Si
Operating voltage	24-25V
Geometrical packing efficiency	~44%
Detector (possible range: 15-70 μm)	Pixel Silicon PIN diode
Pixel size	42 μm x 42 μm
Pixel capacitance	~100 fF
Protecting resistor on each pixel	~100-200 k Ω
$V_{\text{bias}} - V_{\text{breakdown}}$ (Geiger condition: $V_{\text{bias}} > V_{\text{breakdown}}$)	A few Volts
Number of pixels (possible limit ~4000/mm²)	~576 / mm²
Electric field in the silicon	(3-5) x 10 ⁵ V/cm
Dark noise rate (at room temperature)	A few MHz/mm²
Gain	1.5x10⁶ @ 24.5V
Gain uniformity	~10%
Typical rise time	~1ns
Typical fall time ($\tau \sim C_{\text{pixel}} \times R_{\text{pixel}} \sim 30\text{ns}$)	~100ns
Measured timing resolution per single photon	60ps

- Insensitive to magnetic field, excellent timing and PH.
- In practice one would gang many pixel together to one channel.

Pulse height spectrum



Time resolution = $f(n_{pe})$



- **Actually $\sigma \sim 60$ ps per single photon was already achieved.**
- **To get $\sigma \sim 60$ ps one does not need ADC or double threshold timing corrections because the pulse height is so uniform.**
- **One needs a lens to correct for a large geometrical inefficiency.**
- A US company, called RMD, is offering 16 pixel arrays.
 - Gain $\sim 10^8$ achieved.
 - QE: $\sim 50\%$ at 400nm, 75% at 532nm, and 20% at 1064nm.
 - 100k Ω resistor to protect the diode.
 - Active area of each diode 10-30 μm .
 - Noise rate at room temperature: 0.01-1kHz.
 - However, presently a large dead spaces between diodes.

Comparison

Parameter	Flat-Panel Multi-anode H-8500 PMT	LHC-b Electrostat. Focus. HPD	R7110U- 01MOD	SiPM
Company	Hamamatsu	DEP	Hamamatsu	Dolgoshein
Model	H-8500	PV0380AU	-	-
Q.E. blue	~20 %	~20 %	>45 %	~12 %
Mag. Field operation	Problematic	Problematic	OK	OK
Gain per pe⁻	~10⁶ @ 1kV	~5000 @ 20kV	~5x10⁴ @ 8kV	1.5x10⁶ @ 25V
Pulse height spectrum	Poor	Superb	Good	Superb
Voltage	-1 kV	-20kV	-8kV	25 Volts
Timing resolution σ per photon	~100 ps	~500 ps (possibly)	~100 ps	60 ps
Noise rate	<1kHz/PMT @ 1kV	6x10⁻⁴/pixel @ 20kV *	-	a few MHz/mm²
Number of anode pads	64	61	1	Not defined yet



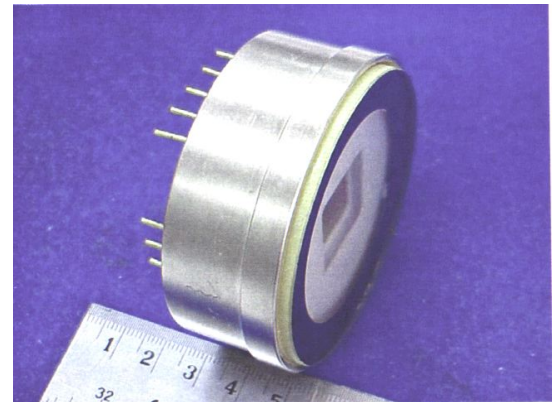
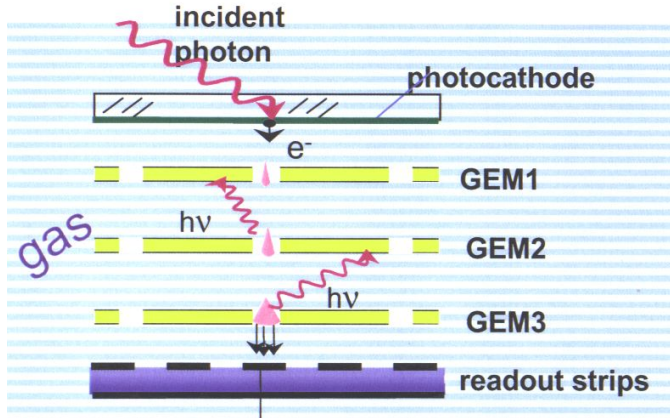
* Test performed with the CERN HPD actually

Gaseous Detectors

- **Multiple-GEM + Pads.**
- **Hadron-blind detector for RHIC.**
- **MICROME GAS + single-GEM + Pads.**
- **Multiple-Capillary + Pads.**
- **MICROME GAS + single-Capillary + Pads.**
- Some think that gaseous photon detectors are dead. However, if one would give you a detector working at 4 Tesla, with visible photocathode, timing resolution of 1 ns, and your own geometry, wouldn't you take it ?
- All detectors mentioned in the following can work at 4 Tesla.

Tripple-GEM + Pads:

A. Breskin, R. Chechik et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A478 (2002) 225.

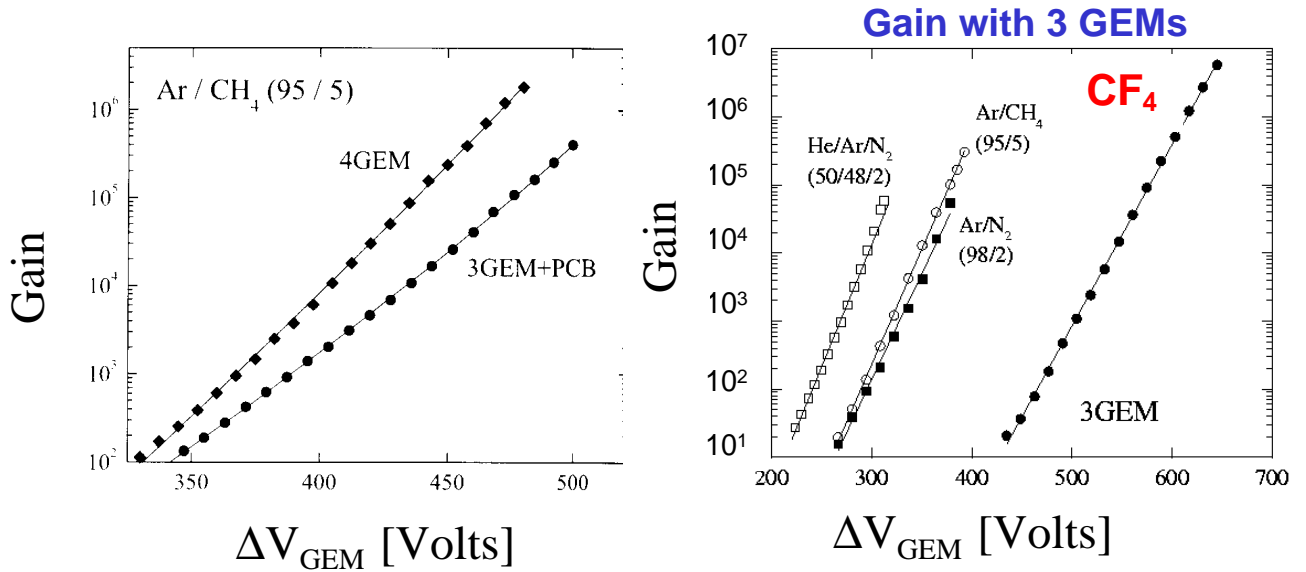


Photocathode	CsI	←
Method	Quartz/30Å Cr/150Å CsI	
Carrier gas (1atm)	CF ₄	←
Gas	Permanently sealed	
Method of sealing	Indium seal	
Baking procedure	200°C for a few days	
GEM-to-GEM and GEM-to-Pad distance	1.2 mm	
The 1-st GEM-to-photocathode distance	6.5 mm	
Kapton and copper hole diameters	50 & 80 μm dia.	
GEM hole pitch	140 μm	
Max. achieved charge gain on single electron	~3 x 10⁶ (CF₄)	←

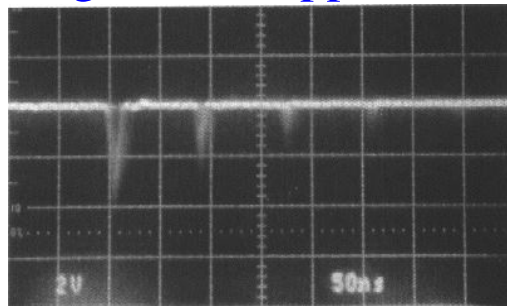
- It can operate up to ~4 Tesla magnetic field.
- Can define your own geometry.
- **Aging rate:** a significant gain drop after ~10μC/mm²; however, this rate is similar to that of the non-sealed detectors.

a) **Gain in Quadruple and Tripple GEM in different gases:**

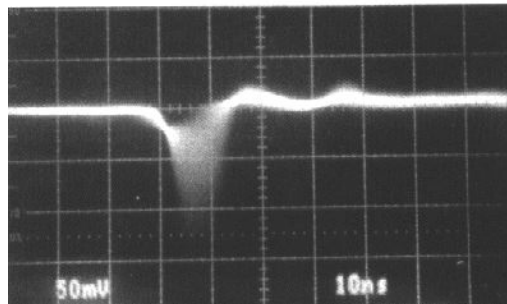
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b) Secondary effects occur only at extremely large gain of $\sim 6 \times 10^6$ in CF₄ gas in a tripple-GEM:



Fast amplifier single electron pulses at a gain of $\sim 2.7 \times 10^6$:



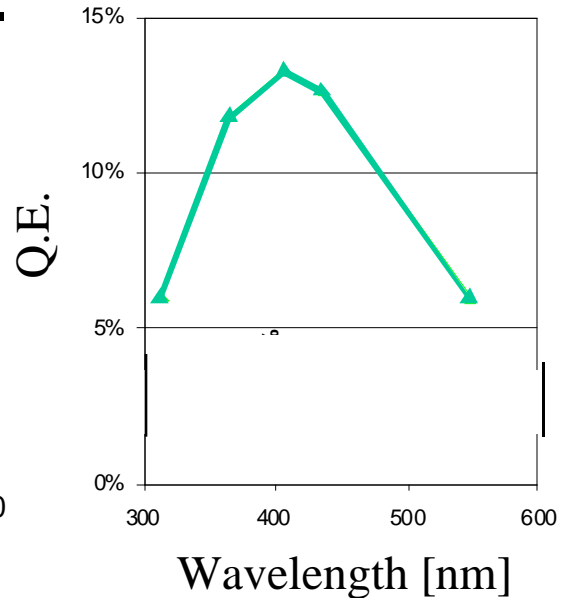
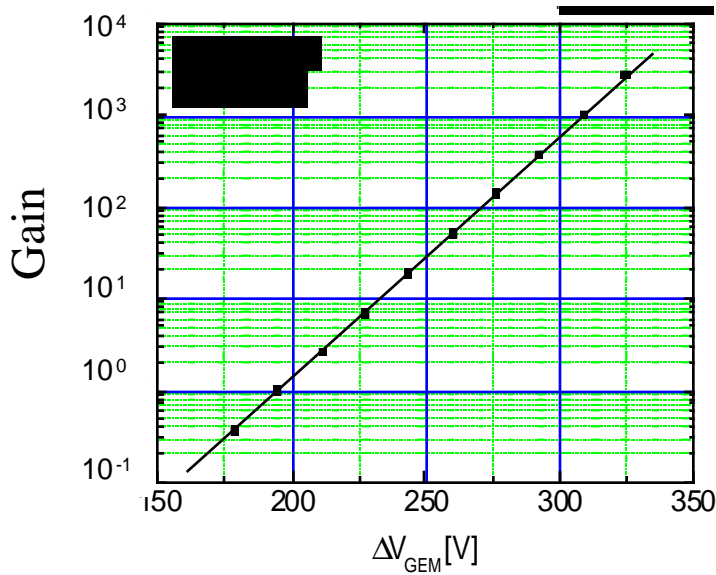
- **Remarkable result!!!** The GEM structure shields the scintillation photons very efficiently. Remember, CF₄ is a good scintillator !

c) Aim: develop a device with a Bialkali photocathode
 R. Chechik, talk at this conference.



Status:
 Stable sealed
 Bialkali
 photocathodes
 for 6 months.

Total gain with
 double GEM operation



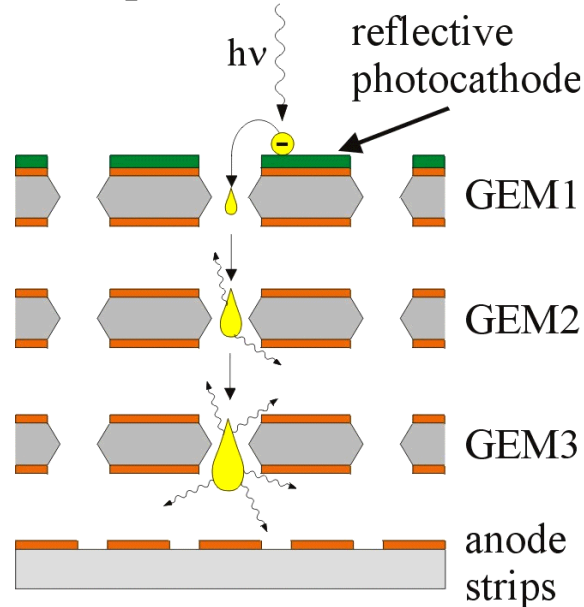
- Undergoing work: sealed multi-GEM PMT operating with 95/5% Ar/CH₄ at 1 bar. Obtained gain of 2000 with two GEMs with no secondary effects.
- Q.E. is stable 2 weeks presently with a gas at 1 bar.
- A remarkable result !!!

Hadron-blind GEM-based Detector:

I. Tserruya et al., Phenix proposal, RHIC, BNL.

Based on work D. Mormann et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A478 (2002) 230.

CsI evaporated on top of the GEM foil:



Advantages:

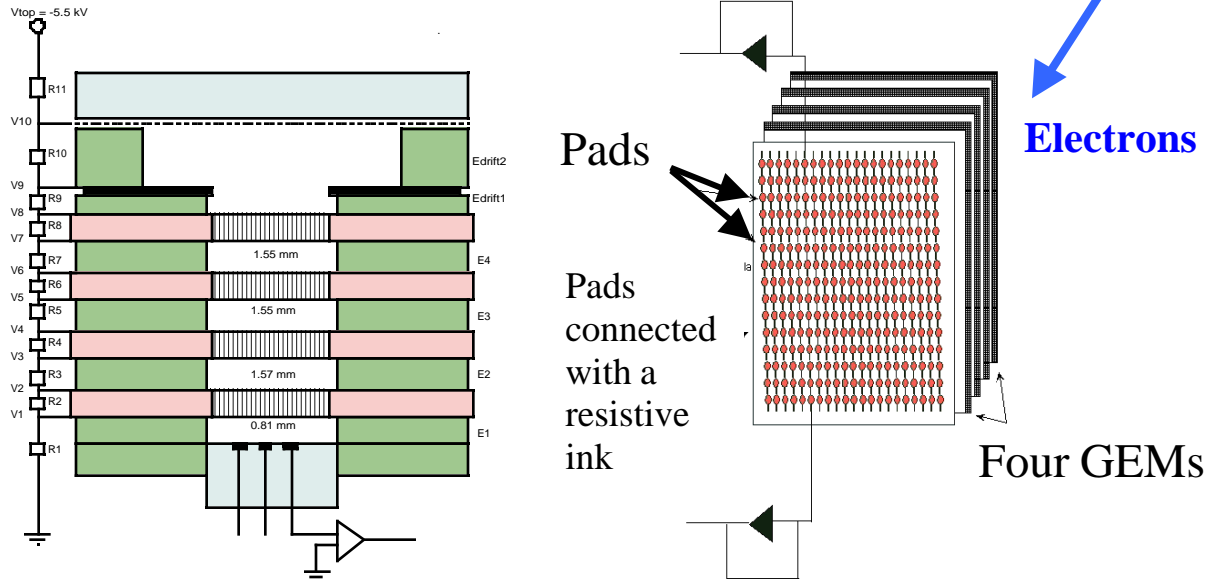
- Thick reflective photocathodes have superior QE.
- The detectors are almost free of the photon feedback.
- Detectors are fast (time resolution $\sigma \sim 2.1\text{ns}$ in CF_4).
- High gain operation demonstrated ($>10^5$).
- Good 2D resolution ($\sigma \sim 100\mu\text{m}$).

Possible difficulties:

- The CsI may end up in the GEM holes during evaporation.
- CF_4 gas can be corrosive.

Quadruple-GEM + Pads:

J. Va'vra and A. Sharma, Nucl. Instr.&Meth., A478(2002)235.

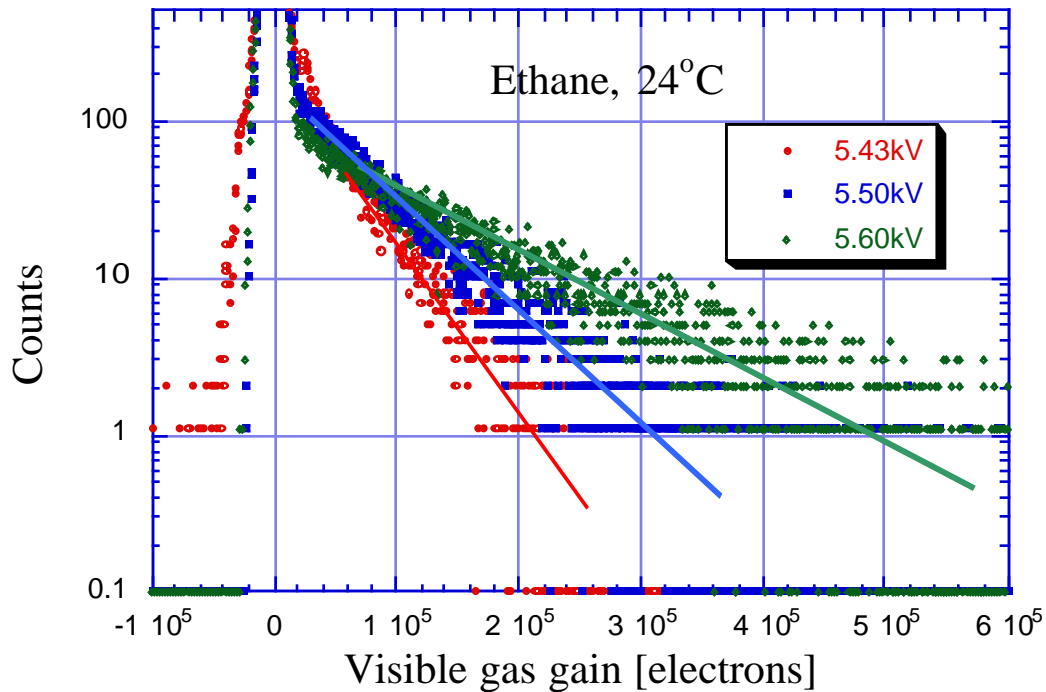


Photocathode	TMAE or s.s. mesh
Carrier gas (1atm)	C ₂ H ₆
Pad size and pitch	1.25 mm dia. & 2.5 mm
Pad connected in y-direction via resistive ink	~40 kΩ/column of pads
GEM source	CERN (F. Sauli)
GEM-to-GEM distance	1.6 mm
GEM-to-Pad distance	0.8 mm
Kapton and copper hole diameters	40 & 80 μm dia.
GEM hole pitch	120 μm
GEM design	Conical hole
Amplifier gain (charge sensitive)	~ 2.7 μV/electron
Amplifier shaping time	~65ns
Max. achieved charge gain on single electron	~10⁶ in C₂H₆

- **Motivation:** candidate for a possible last SLD runs in 1999. It would work well, if this run would happen.
- **The reason for four GEMs:** Reduce a load on any single GEM, & to reduce the TMAE photon feedback into the drift volume.

Single electron pulse height spectra:

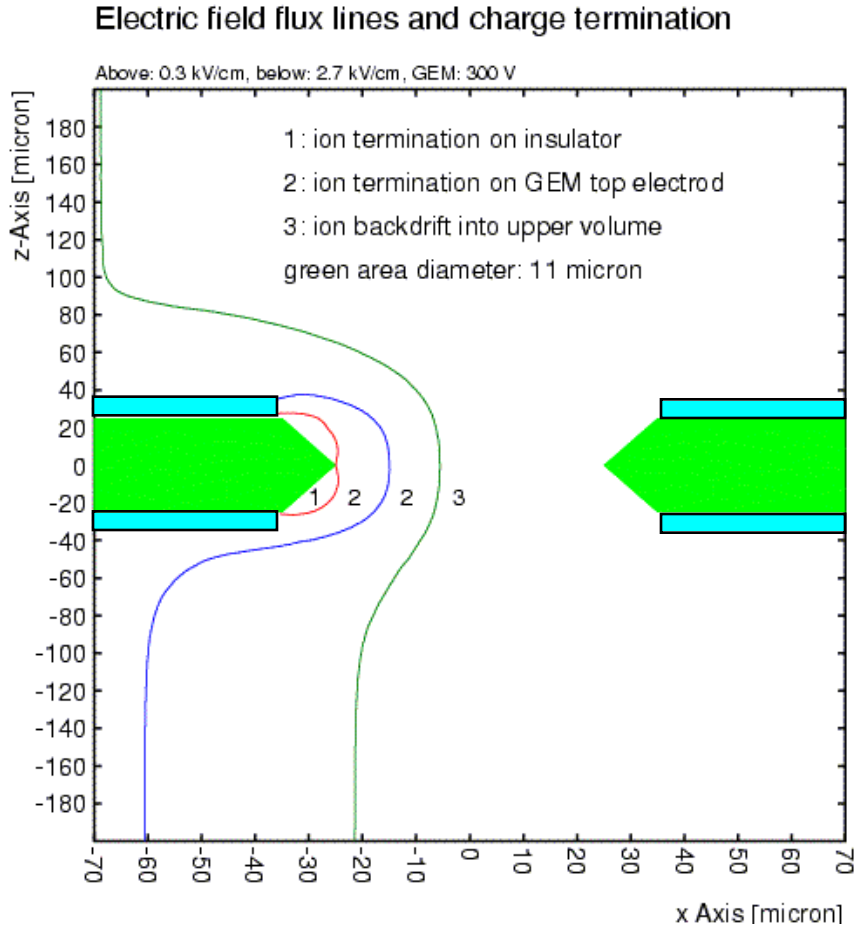
J. Va'vra and A. Sharma, Nucl. Instr.&Meth., A478(2002)235.



- All single electron spectra have an exponential shape. I have never seen a Polya distribution type of turnover with the GEM detectors.
- No sign of a poor quenching, which would show up as an excessive tail in the single electron spectrum.

Where does the charge go ?

J. Va'vra and A. Sharma, Nucl. Instr.&Meth., A478(2002)235.



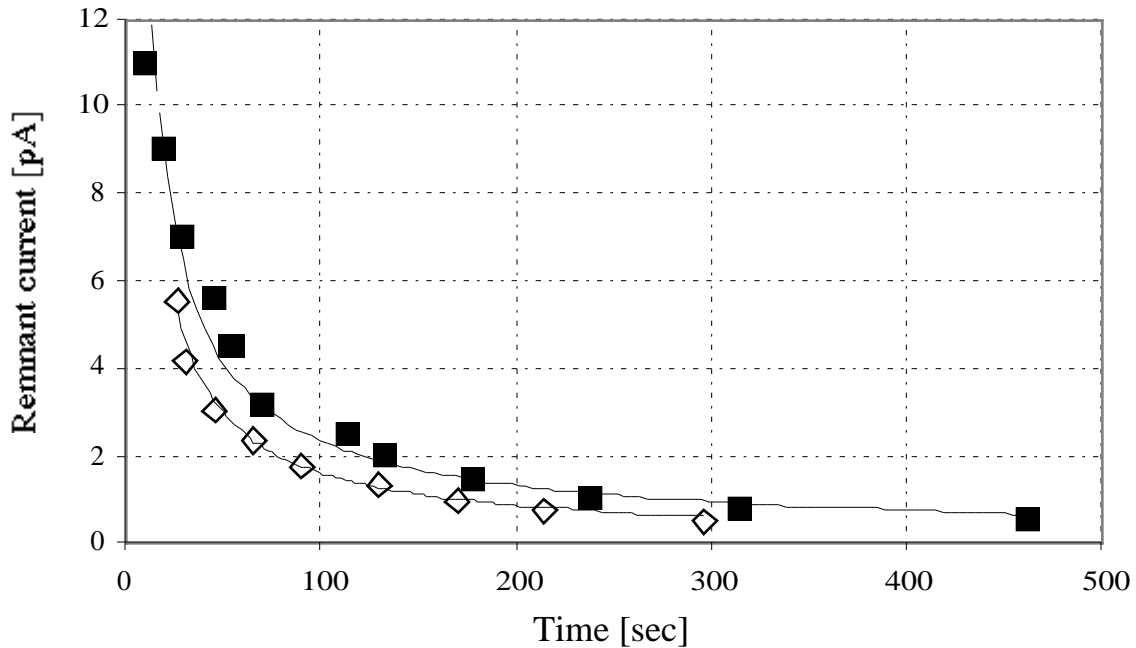
Charge losses [%]	GEM 1	GEM 2	GEM 3	GEM 4
Ions charge ending at the top GEM electrode	6	4	5	6
Ions charge ending on the Kapton insulator	2	3	3	6
Electron charge ending at the top GEM electrode	15	10	12	5
Electron charge ending on the Kapton insulator	1	3	5	15
Electron charge ending at the bottom GEM electrode	20	26	28	32
Transmitted electron charge	56	54	47	36

- The transmitted electron charge is only 36%, the ion deposition on the Kapton insulator in the last GEM is ~6%.

Charging effects:

J. Va'vra and A. Sharma, Nucl. Instr.&Meth., A478(2002)235.

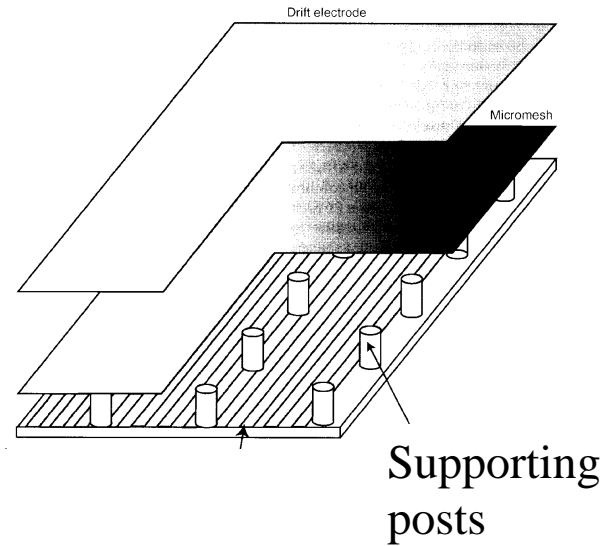
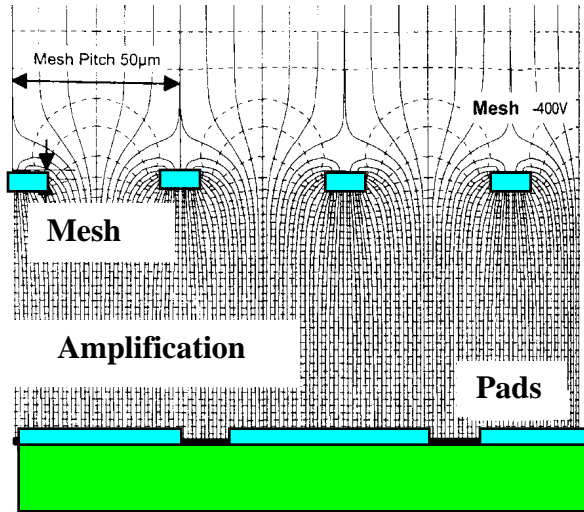
Response to switching the light off:




- The charging is related to the Kapton resistance. It takes minutes to discharge the Kapton.
- Does this matter ? It may in very high rate environment.

MICROME GAS + Strips/Pads:

Y. Giomataris, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A419 (1998) 239, and
 G. Charpak et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A478 (2002) 26.

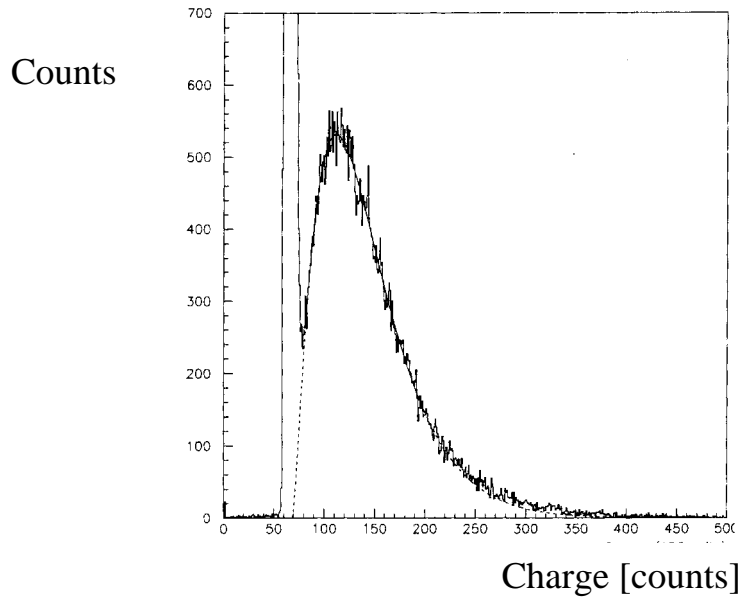


Photocathode	CsI
Method	CsI deposited in the mesh
Typical Gases used	Ar/10% C ₄ H ₁₀ , He/10% C ₄ H ₁₀ , Ne/5% C ₄ H ₁₀ , Ar/5% CF ₄
Mesh type	s.s. electro-mesh
Mesh thickness	3 µm
Mesh pitch	50 µm
Mesh-to-pad distance	50 µm or 100 µm
Electric field in the amplifying gap	50-100 kV/cm
Max. achieved charge gain on single electron	~10⁶ (Ar /10%iC₄F₁₀) 

- It can operate up to ~4 Tesla magnetic field.
- The proponents argue that it is a very resilient structure.

a) Single Electron Pulse Height Spectrum:

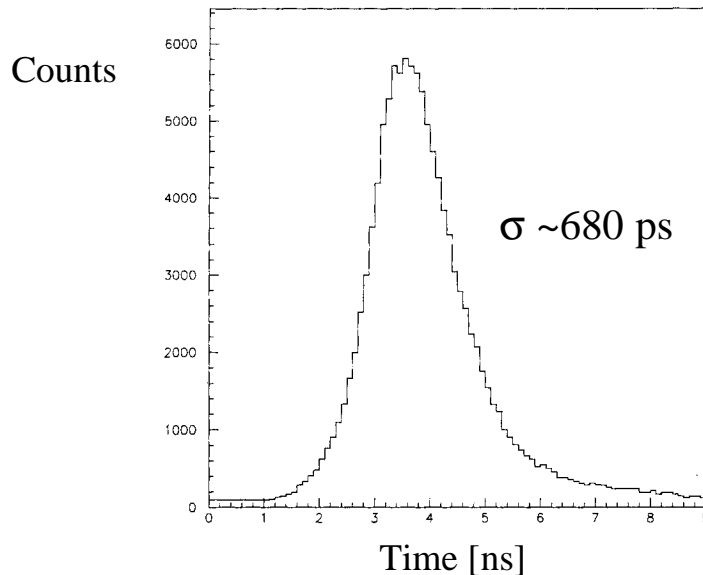
G. Charpak et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A478 (2002) 26.



CsI is evaporated
on the micromesh
in this particular
case

b) Timing Resolution with Single Electrons:

G. Charpak et al., Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A478 (2002) 26.

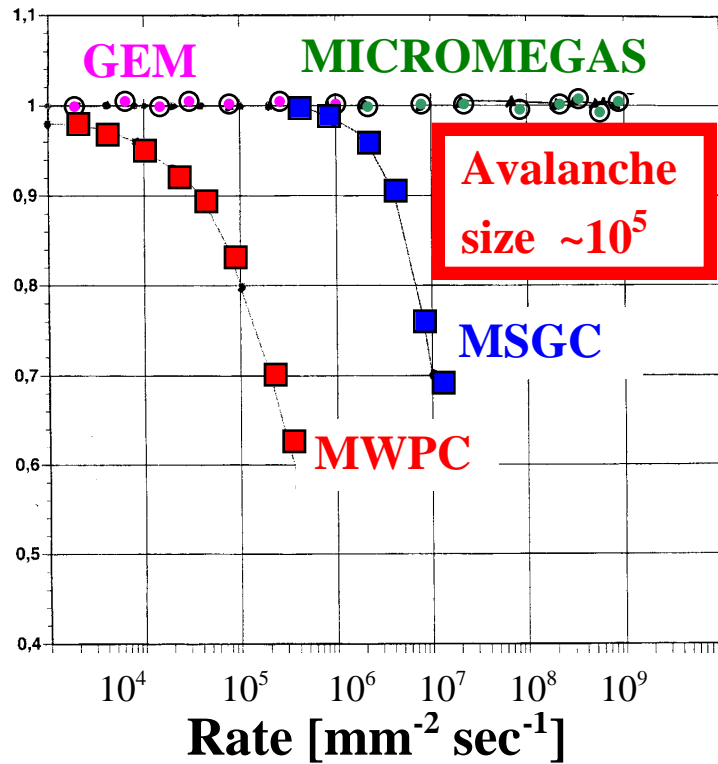


- This is a best timing resolution a gas detector ever achieved.

Rate capability of various gas detectors:

Y. Giomataris, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A419 (1998) 239.

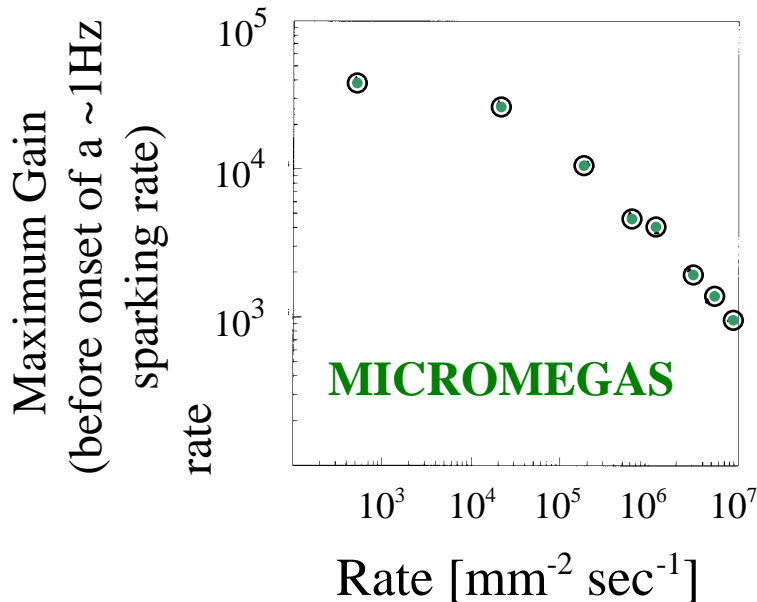
**Relative
Amplification
Gain**



Study done with X-rays

However, the maximum achievable gain drops earlier, if we consider sparking as a limiting factor.

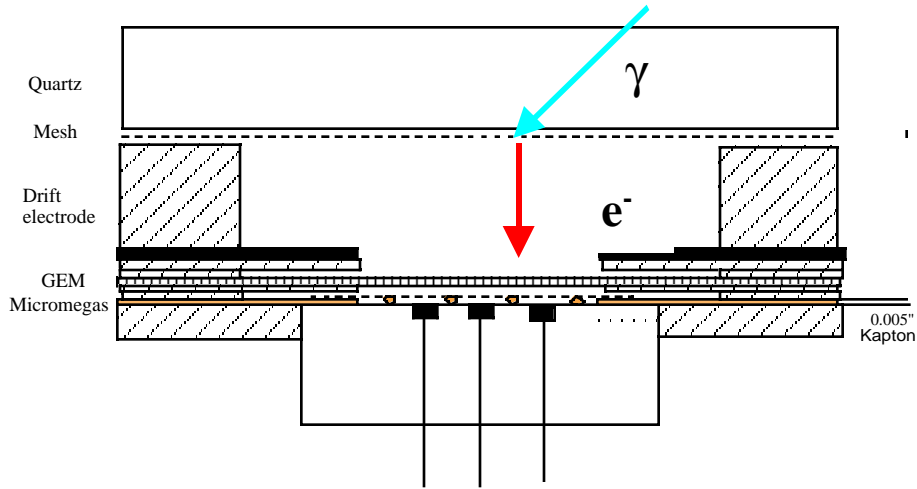
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Study done with X-rays

MICROME GAS + single-GEM + Pads:

J. Va'vra, unpublished.

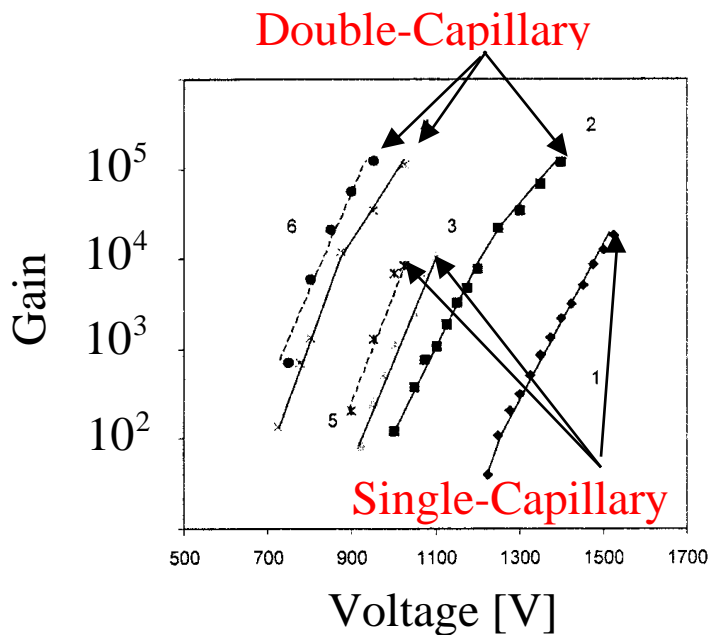
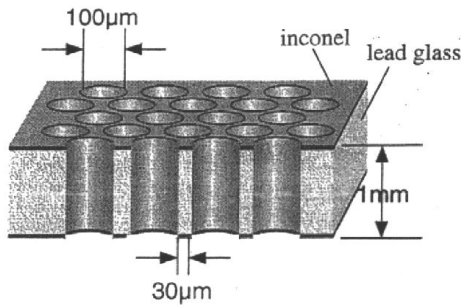
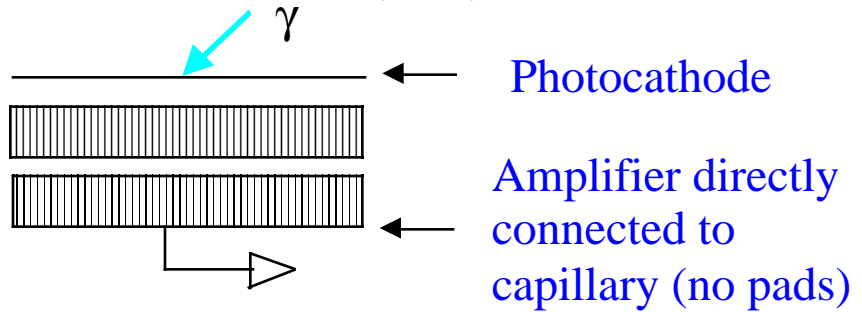


Photocathode	s.s. mesh
Carrier gas (1atm)	90%He+10% iC_4H_{10}
Pad size and pitch	1.25 mm dia. & 2.5 mm
GEM source	CERN (F. Sauli)
GEM-to-Mesh distance	1.24 mm
Kapton and copper hole diameters	40 & 80 μ m dia.
GEM hole pitch	120 μ m
GEM design	Conical hole
Mesh type	s.s. electro-mesh
Mesh thickness	3 μ m
Mesh pitch	50 μ m
Mesh-to-pad distance	100 μ m
Amplifier gain (Elantec 2075C)	10x
Amplifier bandwidth	2GHz
Max. achieved charge gain on single electron	$\sim 10^7$

- A resistor chain used to avoid the damage of the GEM foil.
- A stable single electron operation at very large gain achieved. No tripping !!! The detector is quiet when triggering on itself.
- Too soon to claim anything. Needs much more study.

Double-Capillary (?):

V. Peskov et al, Nucl. Instr. & Meth., A433(1999)492.

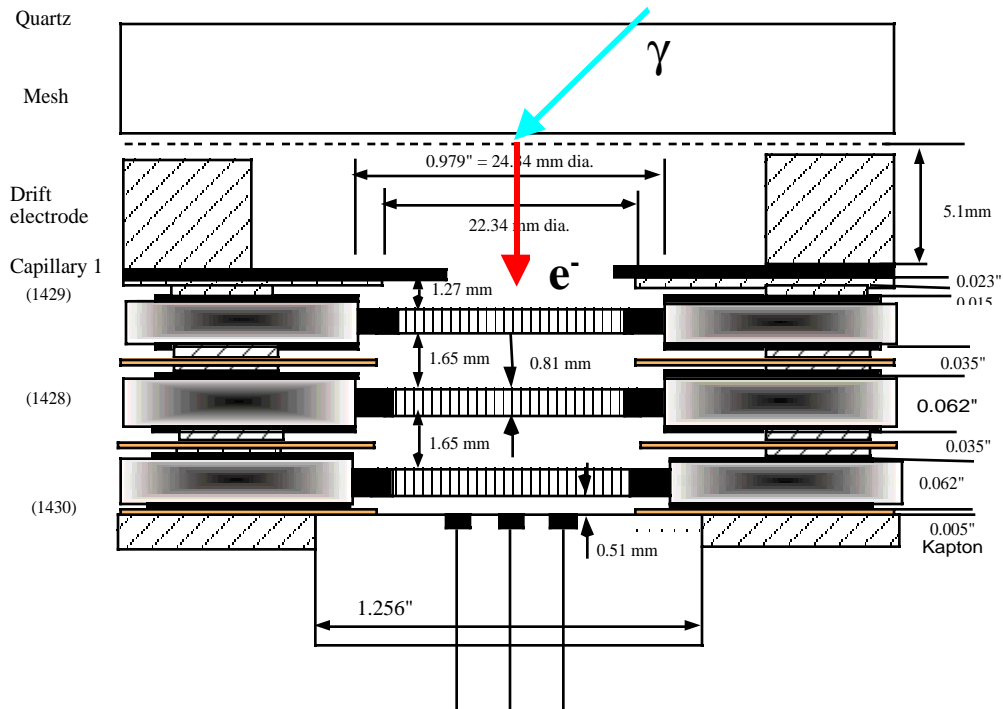


Photocathode	SbCs
Q.E. reached	A few %
Carrier gas (1atm)	95% Ar+5%CH ₄
Lead Glass Capillary source	Hamamatsu
Capillary thickness	1 mm
Capillary hole diameter	100 μm dia.
Glass Capillary hole pitch	130 μm

- A gas gain of $\sim 10^5$ just about reached in 90% He+10% iC₄H₁₀.
- However, no convincing stable single electron mode operation proved at this point, i.e., not yet clear if this is a right avenue.

Tripple-Capillary + Pads:

J. Va'vra, T. Symiوشي provided capillary plates made by Hamamatsu.



Photocathode	TMAE
Carrier gas (1atm)	C ₂ H ₆
Lead Glass Capillary source	Hamamatsu
Measured capillary resistance	
Capillary thickness	1 mm
Capillary hole diameter	100 μm dia.
Glass Capillary hole pitch	130 μm
Max. achieved charge gain on single electron	~10⁴ (ethane)

- Would barely support a gain of ~2x10⁴ in C₂H₆.
- The reason for problems: capillary resistance too high, causing charging effects.
- V. Peskov: ~80% of microchannel plates fail his qualifying test.

Conclusions

- **HPD detectors have made a huge progress since the last RICH workshop.**
 - **The next challenge:** 100ps resolution.
- **The imaging with >10,000 PMTs has been a real success in DIRC.**
 - **The next challenge:** ~30,000 channels with $\sigma \sim 100$ ps.
 - **Potential benefit:** correction of the chromatic error.
- **Gaseous detectors are under pressure, but not dead yet for the RICH applications. From some reason, the ingenuity has no bounds here.**
 - **The next challenge:** operation in a high magnetic field with a Bialkali photo-cathode, and geometry “defined by us.”

My personal choice of amplifying structure:

- The Triple or Quadruple-Gem structure + Pads.
 - Possibly, a Micromegas + Single-GEM + Pads, or Double-Cappillary + Pads.
- However, still needs much more study.