

Performance of the Mass Testing Setup for Arrays of Silicon Photomultipliers in the TAO Experiment

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JUNO DETECTOR OVERVIEW

The Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory

JUNO Physics Goals:

- Neutrino mass hierarchy measurements
- Oscillation parameters measurements
- Astrophysics and rare processes

Location:

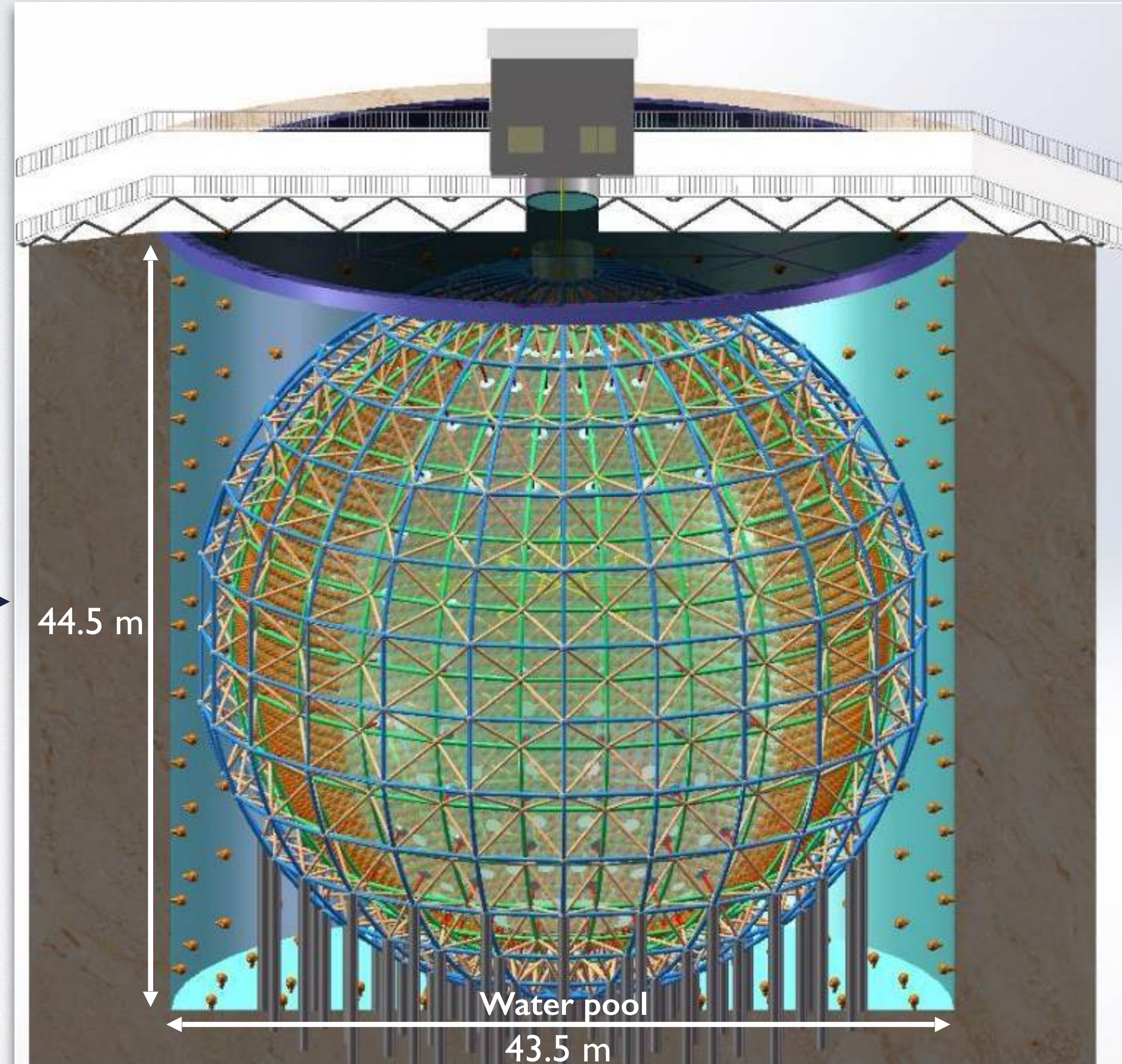


Baseline:

52.5 km

Powerful source:

Yangjiang and Taishan power plants
26.6 GWth in 2020, later 35.7 GWth



Parameters:

- ø35.4m Acrylic Vessel
- 41.1m Stainless Steel Structure
- 20 kton Liquid Scintillator
- 17'612 large 20" photomultiplier tubes (PMTs)
- 25'600 3" small PMTs
- Water Cherenkov Veto 35 kton pure water and 2400 20" PMTs
- 700 m underground

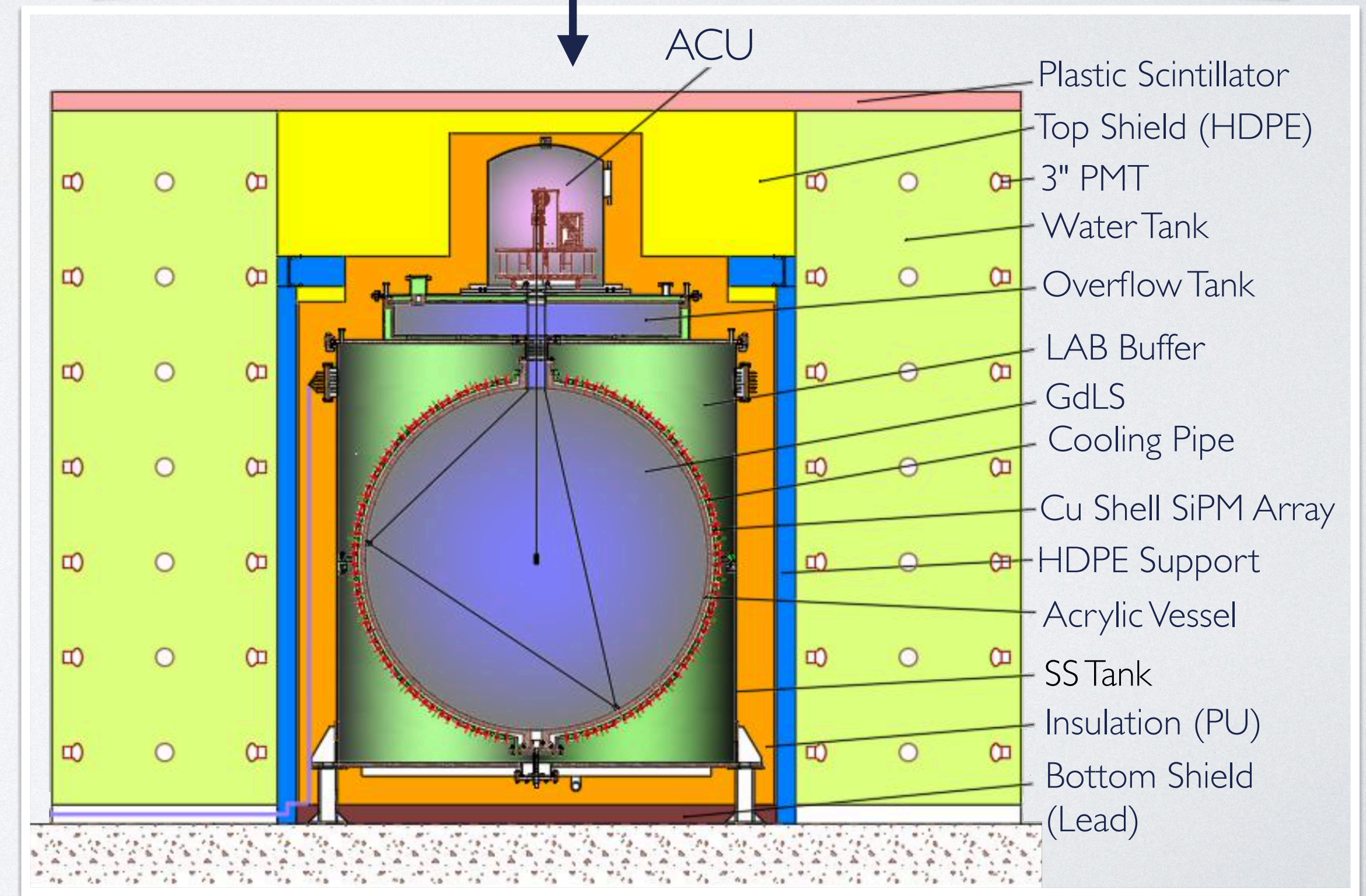
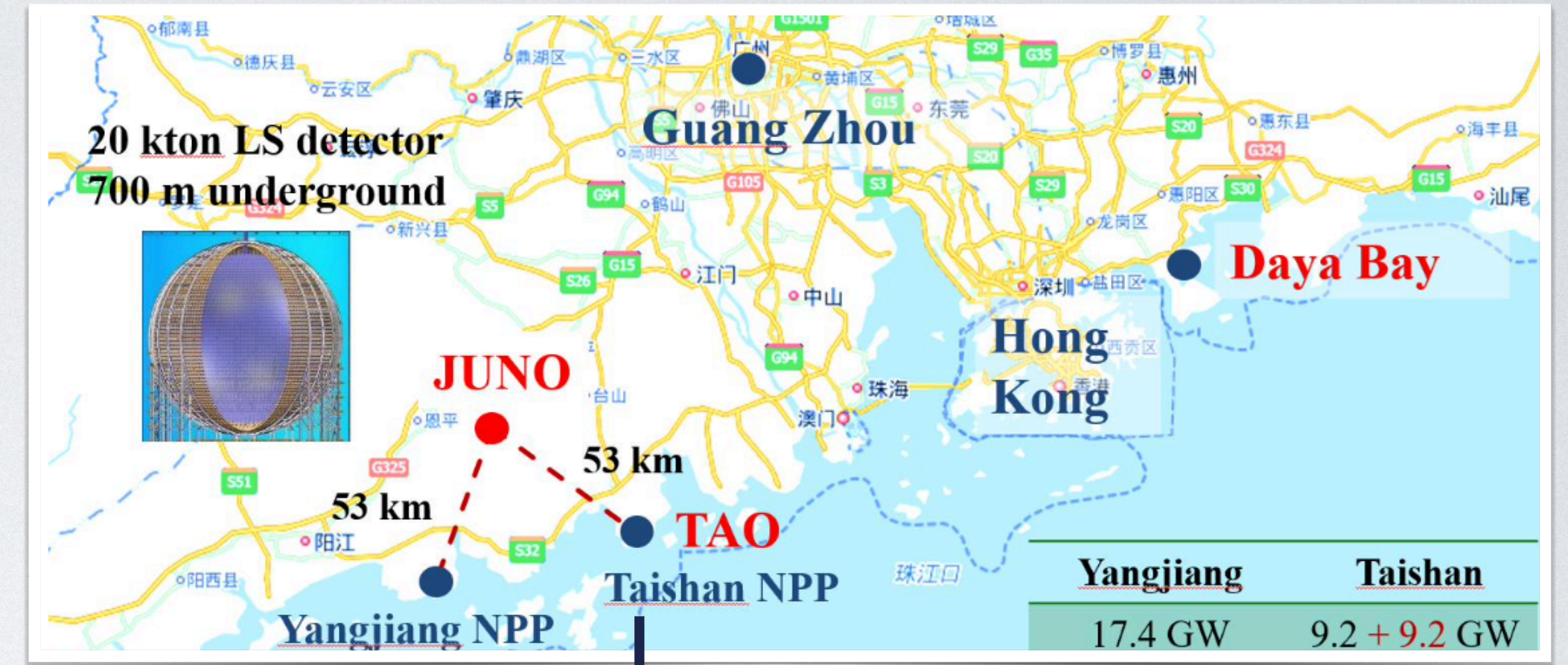
TAO DETECTOR OVERVIEW

Taishan Antineutrino Observatory

- ~44m to core
- Ton-level fiducial mass
- $N(\text{p.e.}) \sim 4500/\text{MeV}$, ~85% SiPM cover
- Low dark noise: $-50^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow$ Low T LS
- Energy resolution $< 2\%/\text{MeV}$

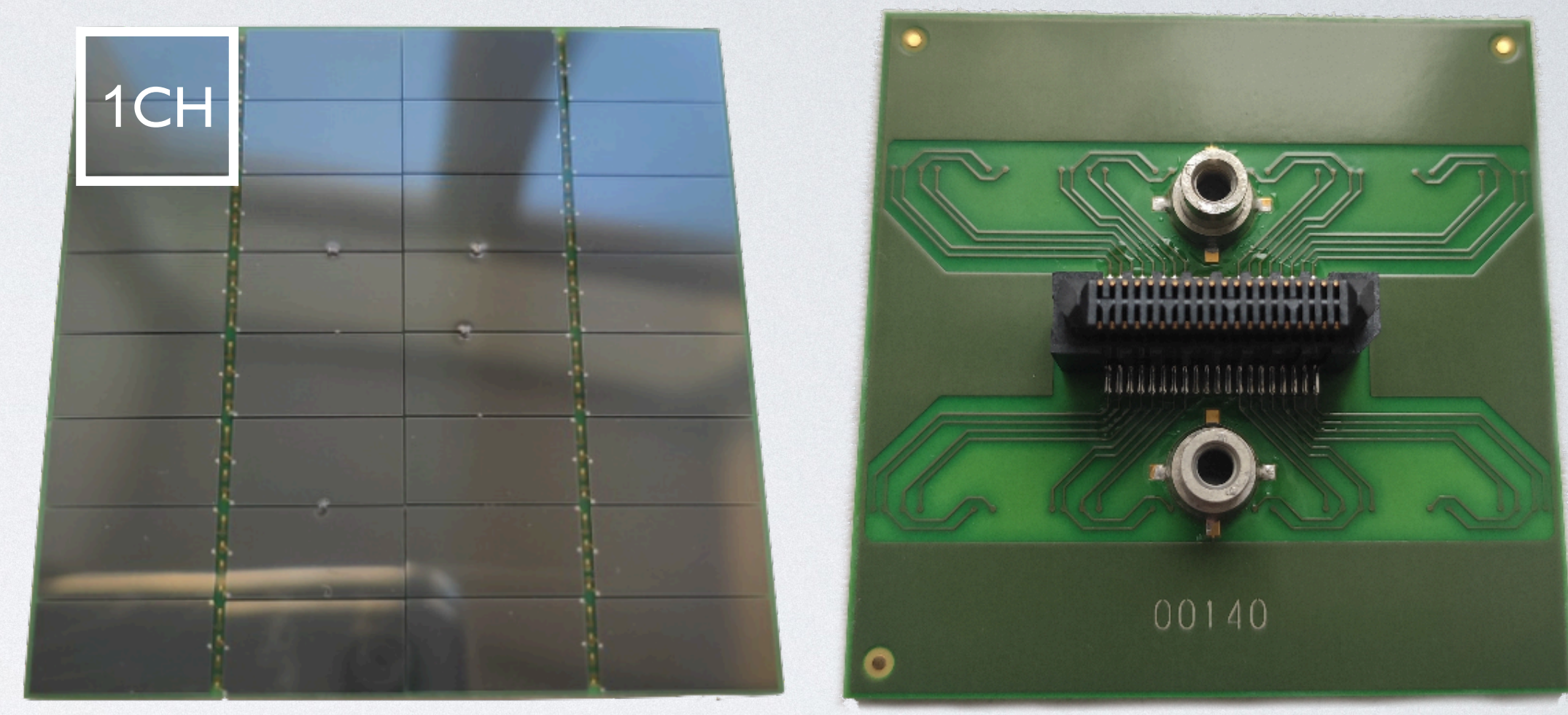
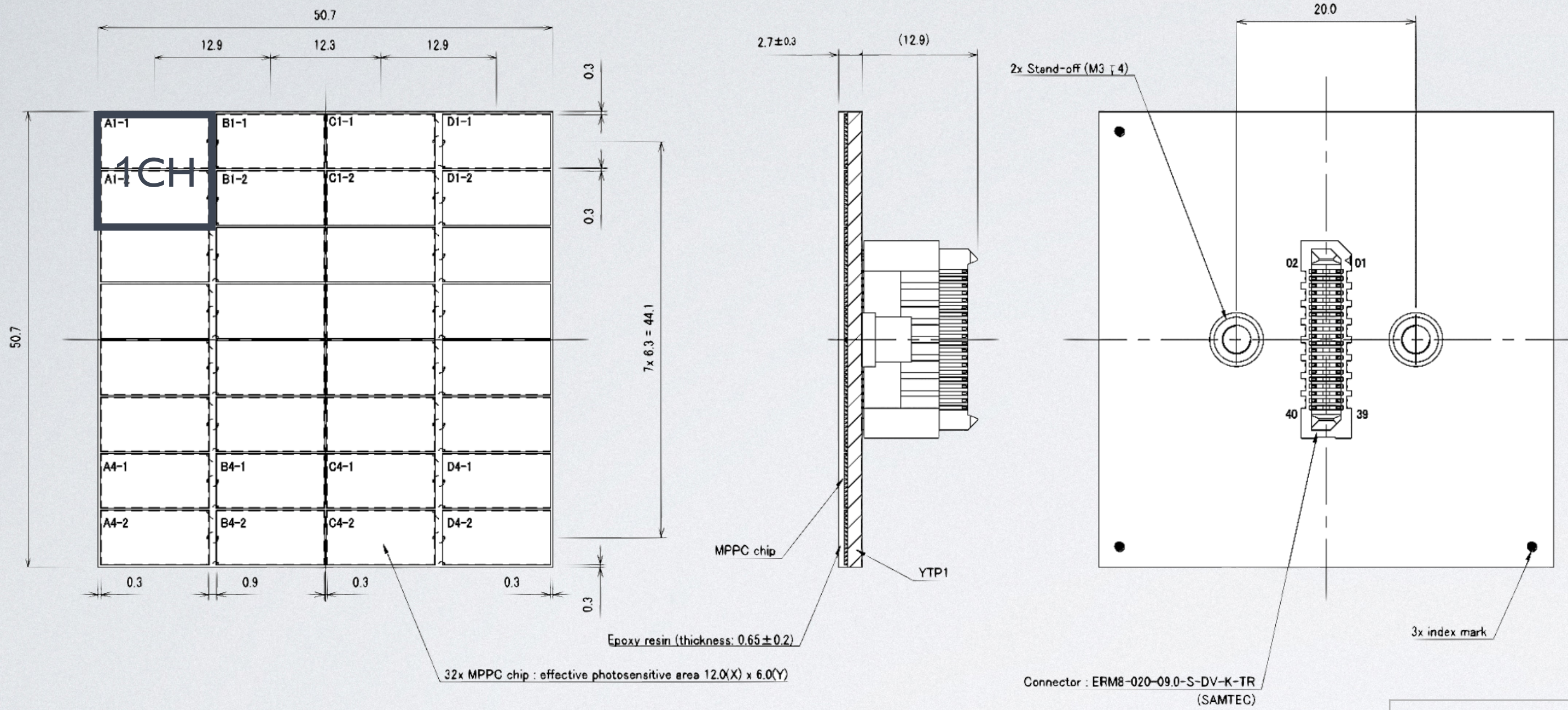
TAO physics goals:

- measure reactor antineutrino spectrum with high energy resolution
- A new benchmark to test the nuclear database



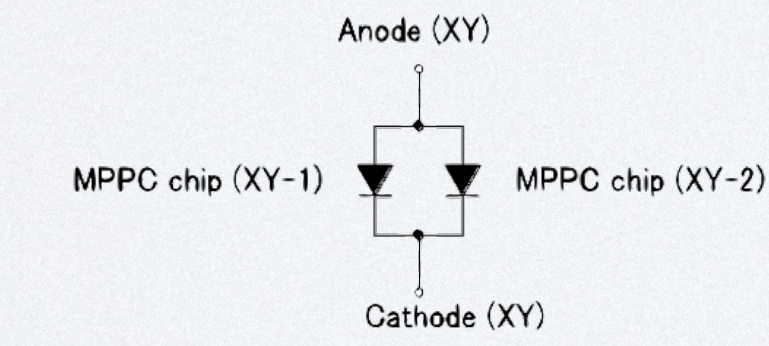
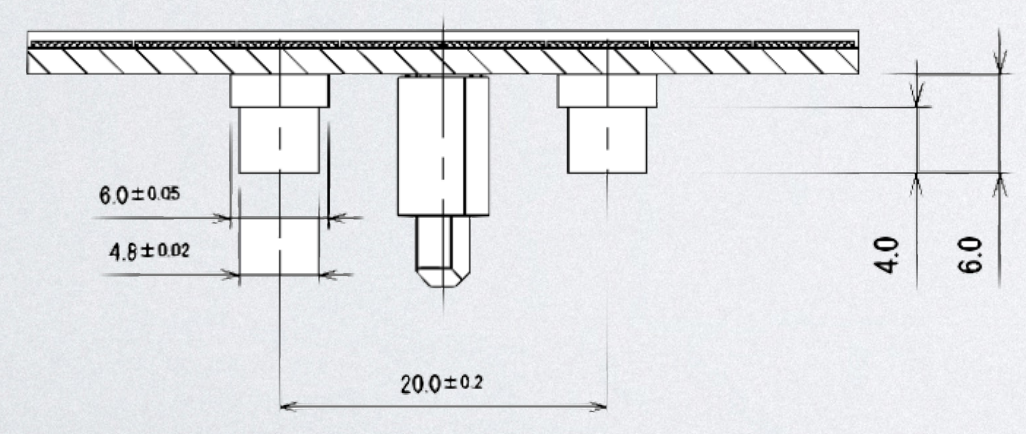
TAO PHOTODETECTOR OVERVIEW

TAO Tile - array of 32 SI 6088 Hamamatsu MPPCs



Main parameters

[NOTE]
 1. General tolerance: ±0.1
 2. Connected each of 2 chips in parallel (X: A - D, Y: 1 - 4)

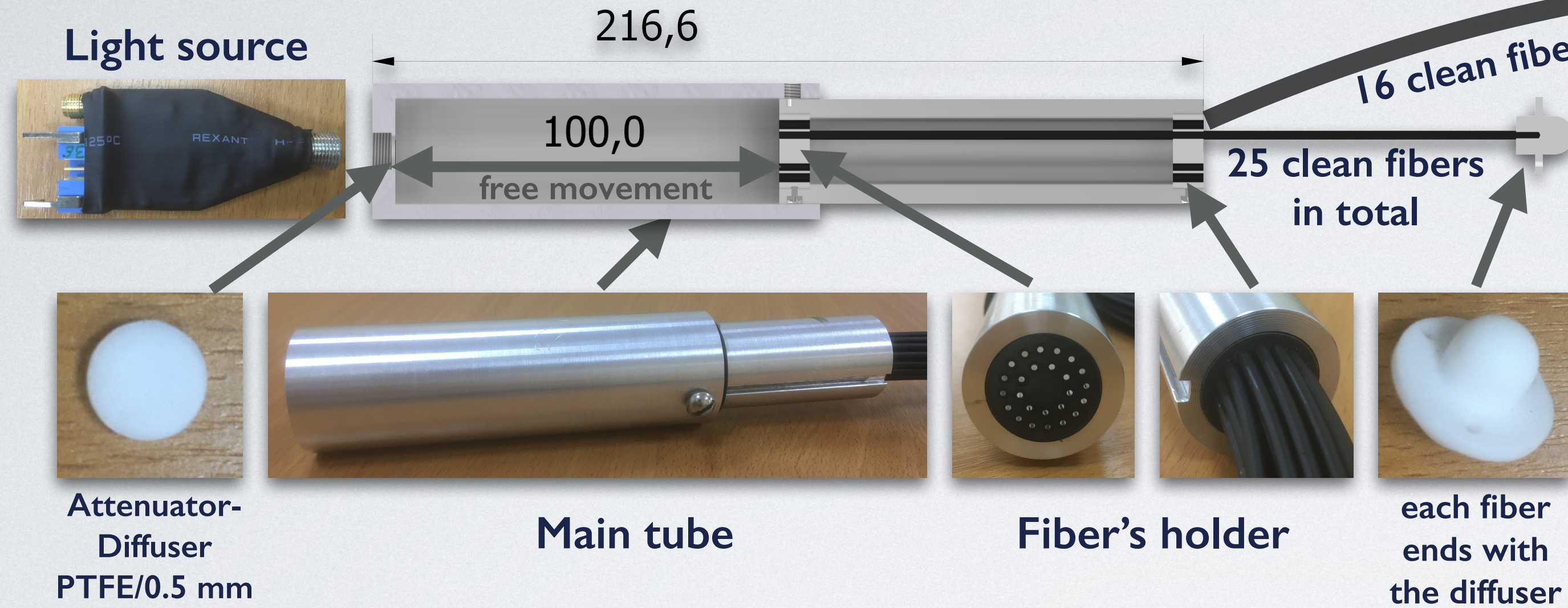


Number of channels	16 (2 SiPMs in parallel)
Effective photosensitive area	12 × 12 mm ² /ch
Pixel pitch	75 μm
PDE at 420 nm	49 %
Breakdown voltage	48 ± 2 V
Gain	4.0 × 10 ⁶
Dark Count Rate at -50°C	45 Hz/mm ²
Crosstalk probability	12 %

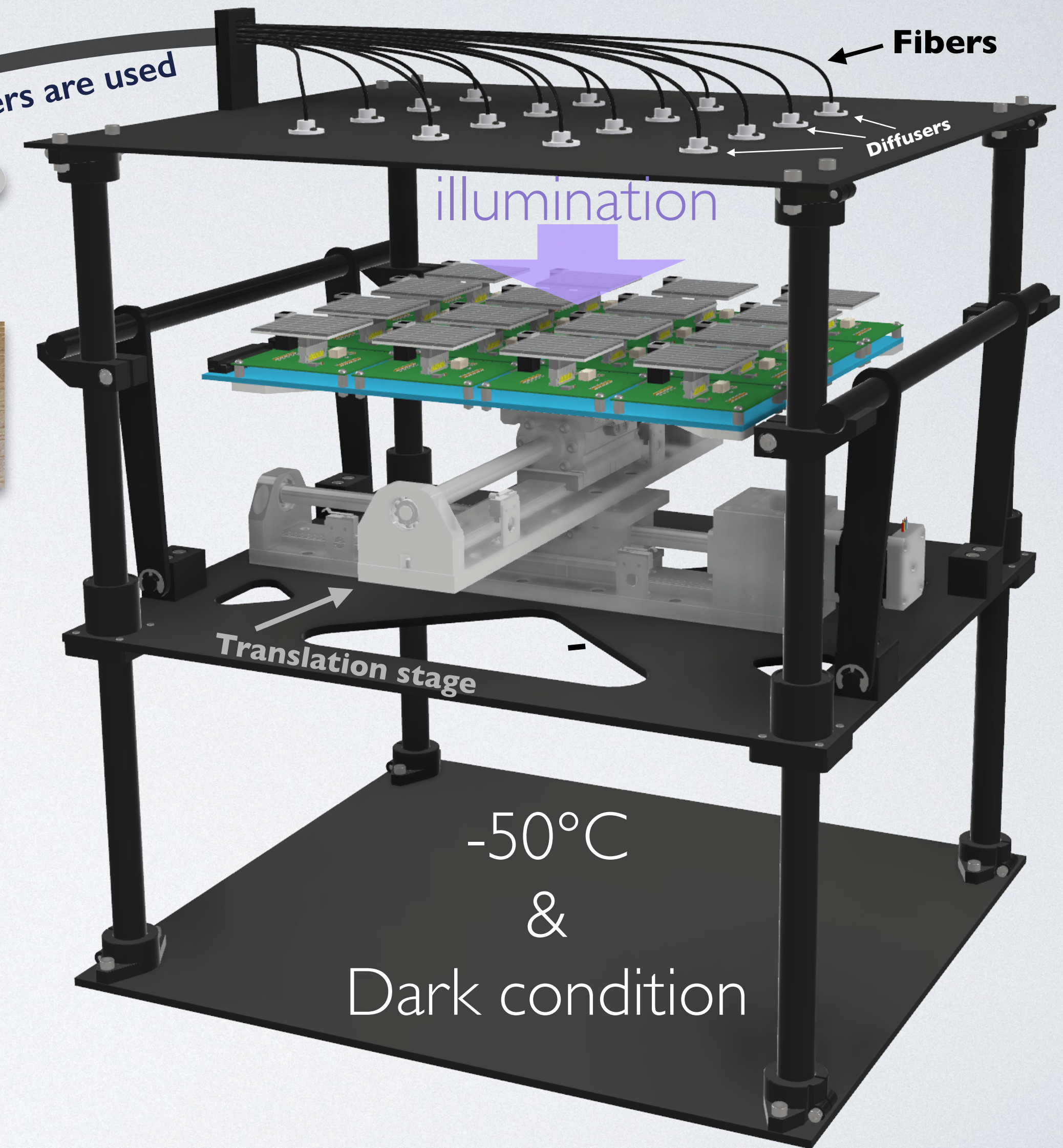
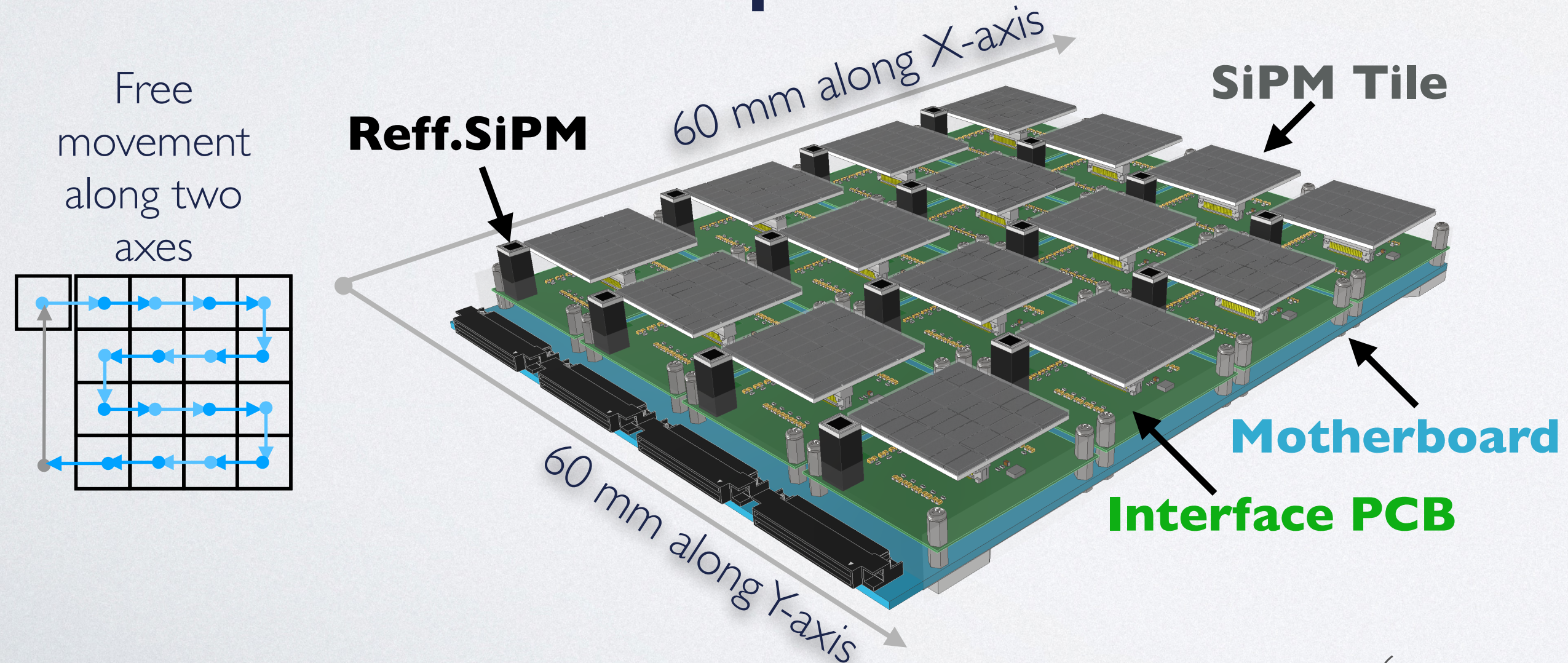
*at operating voltage

SCANNING STATION DESIGN

Light distribution system



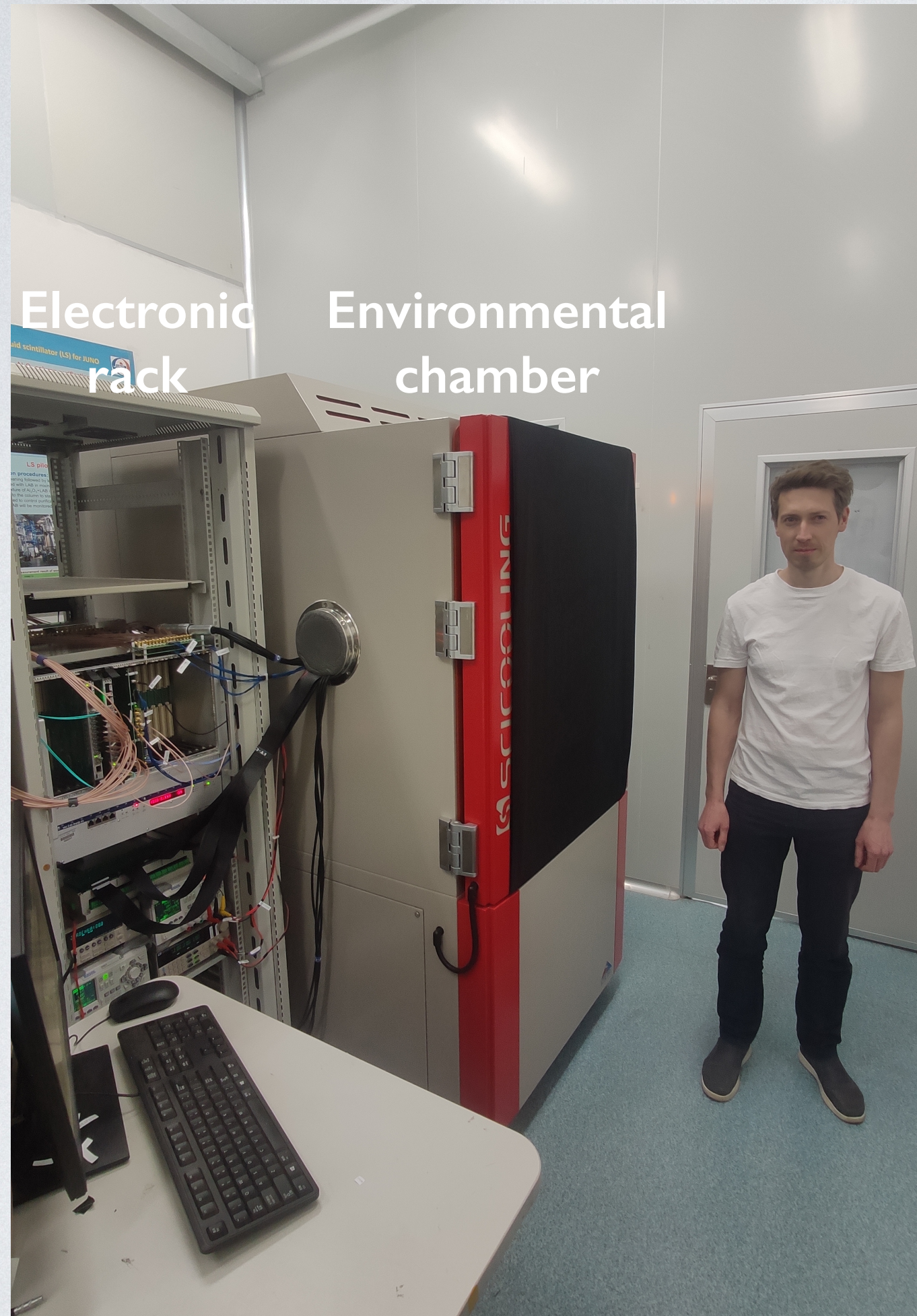
Main platform



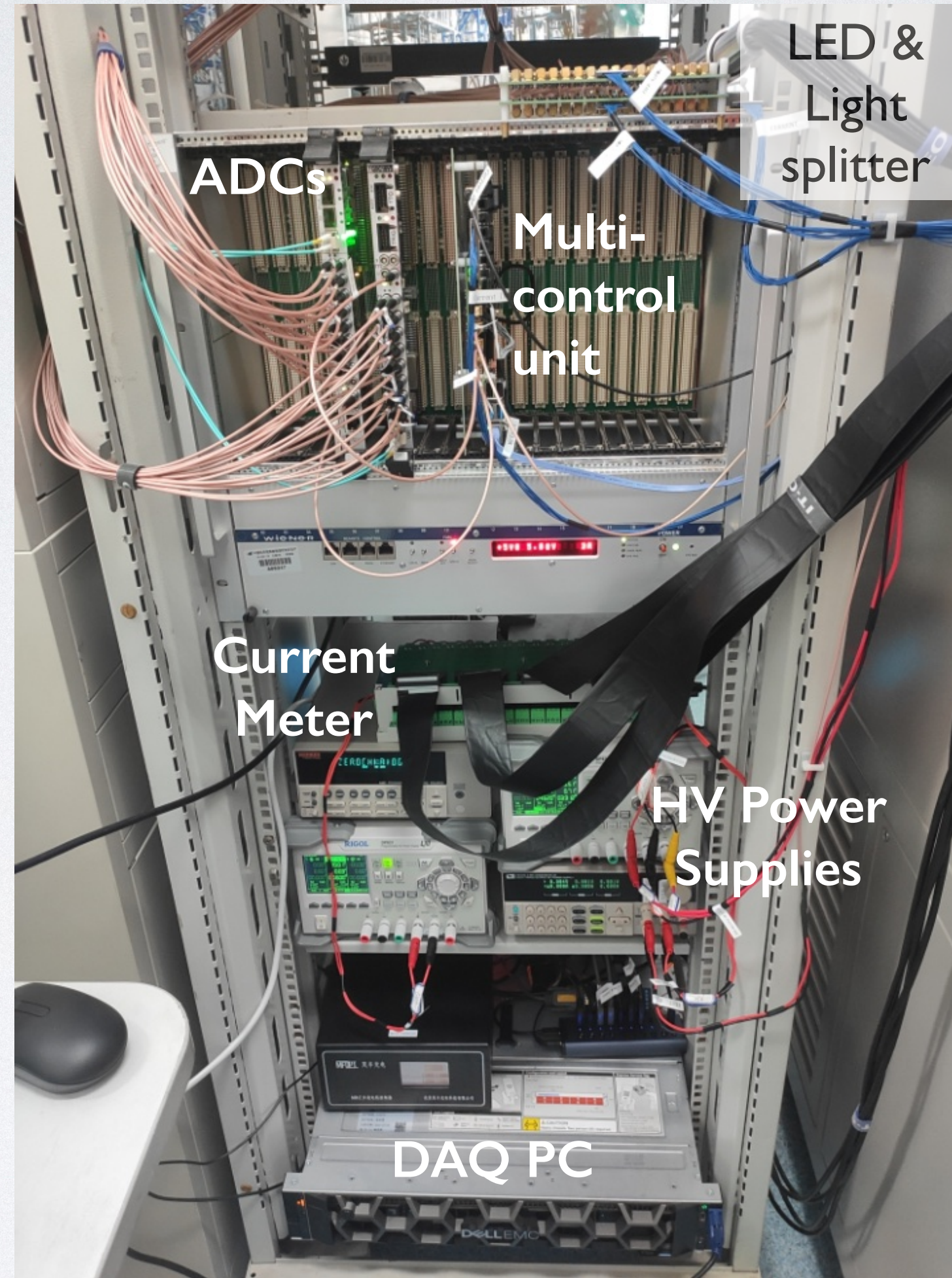
Stand mechanics

MASS TESTING SETUP (IHEP)

Outside view

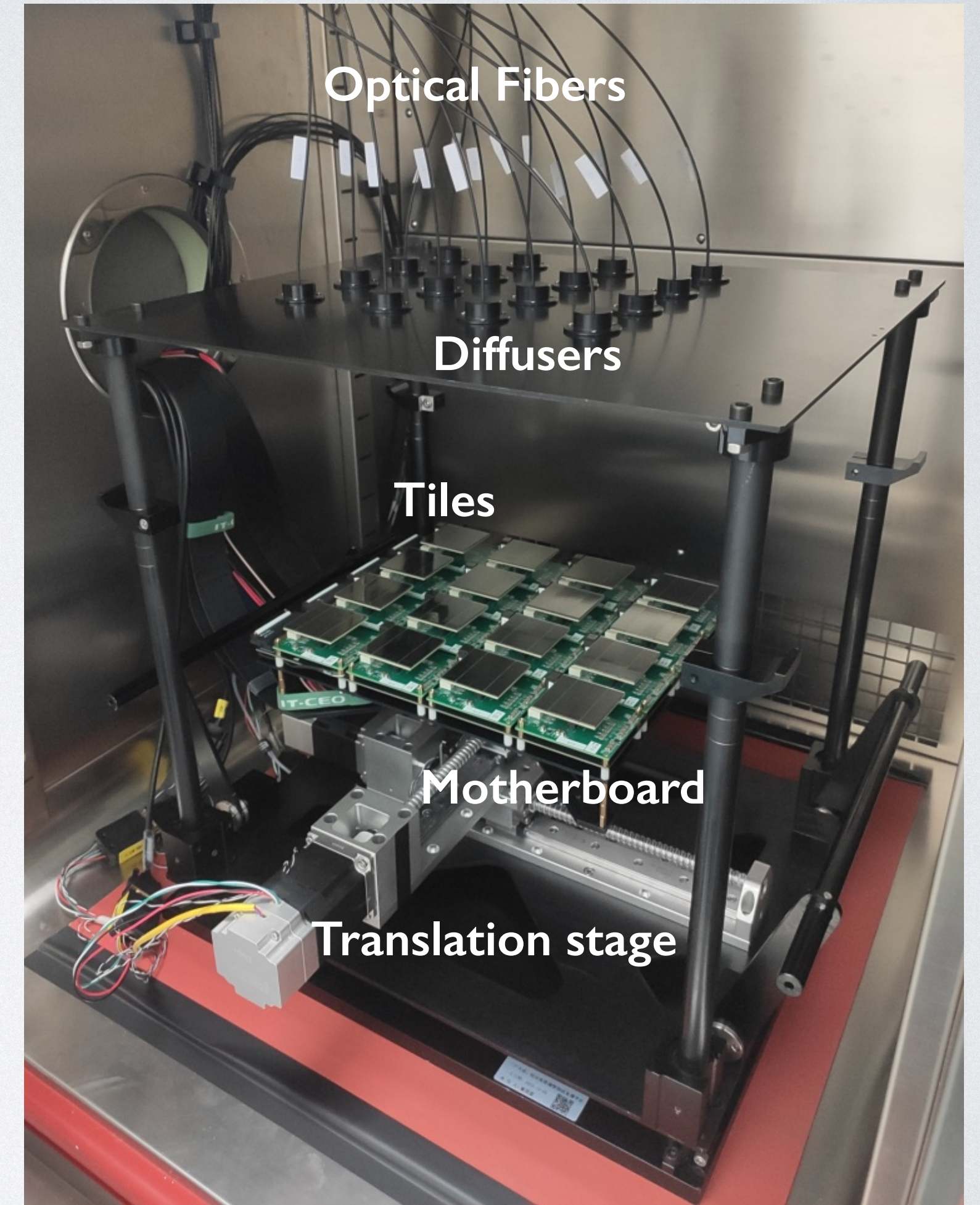


Electronics



Inside electronic rack

Mechanics



Inside environmental chamber

MASS TESTING PROCEDURE



Single scan time ~6h

3 scans/day or 48 tiles/day

Total mass testing time ~90 days

SETUP CONTROL SOFTWARE



Monitor Settings Main-DB Light-DB

MAIN RUN LIGHT RUN STOP RUN

OSCILLOSCOPE

Hardware Info: Status: OK

Run configuration Info:

Server status:	Web	Digitizers		MCUnit	SiPM Power		HV Multiplexer		LED		Current Meter		Stage Controller		Stage Decoder	
Device status:	Server	080C-635B	0CD9-6B60		connected	/dev/ttyUSB4		/dev/ttyUSB1		/dev/ttyUSB0		disconnected		/dev/ttyUSB3		
Tile position #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
TSensor SN:	cc705ff	4063fff	d858fff	d4b74ff	cd7e2ff	40505ff	f3f51ff	c5a72ff	cd8c9ff	d6cb7ff	cdefcfff	d8890ff	d7480ff	ce2b6ff	d1a6dff	d83a6ff
Temperature: show	-48.69	-49.44	-48.81	-49.50	-47.50	-47.94	-49.00	-49.19	-47.56	-48.44	-47.25	-48.56	-47.75	-47.69	-48.88	-48.63
Tile SiPMs Voltage:	relay # 1								52.998 V							
Reff. SiPMs Voltage:	ON								52.919 V							
LED state:	OFF								0							
Measurement mode:	Spectrum								Current							
Current multiplexer CH#:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Current meter:	Tile #4								-5.943261e-9 A							
Stage position:	#home [X:0, Y:0]								Decoder X: 0				Decoder Y: 0			

Setting:	Value:
Applied config ID:	28
LED intensity:	400
Trigger frequency:	600
Trigger type:	0
Run statistics:	30000
Start from voltage:	48
Number of voltage points:	6
First overvoltage point:	1
Voltage step:	1
Reff.SiPM voltage:	52.92

Run status: Current Multiplexer - Set Channel: 5 - Server status code: 200 MCUnit: ok

Run progress:	-4.0V	1.0V	2.0V	3.0V	4.0V	5.0V	CH1	CH2	CH3	CH4	CH5	CH6	CH7	CH8	CH9	CH10	CH11	CH12	CH13	CH14	CH15	CH16	6.0V
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ANALYSIS CONVENTIONS

Digitizer parameters

Parameters	Values
Number of channels	16
Time discretization	125 MHz
Resolution	14 bit
Voltage range	2V
Maximum window width	16us

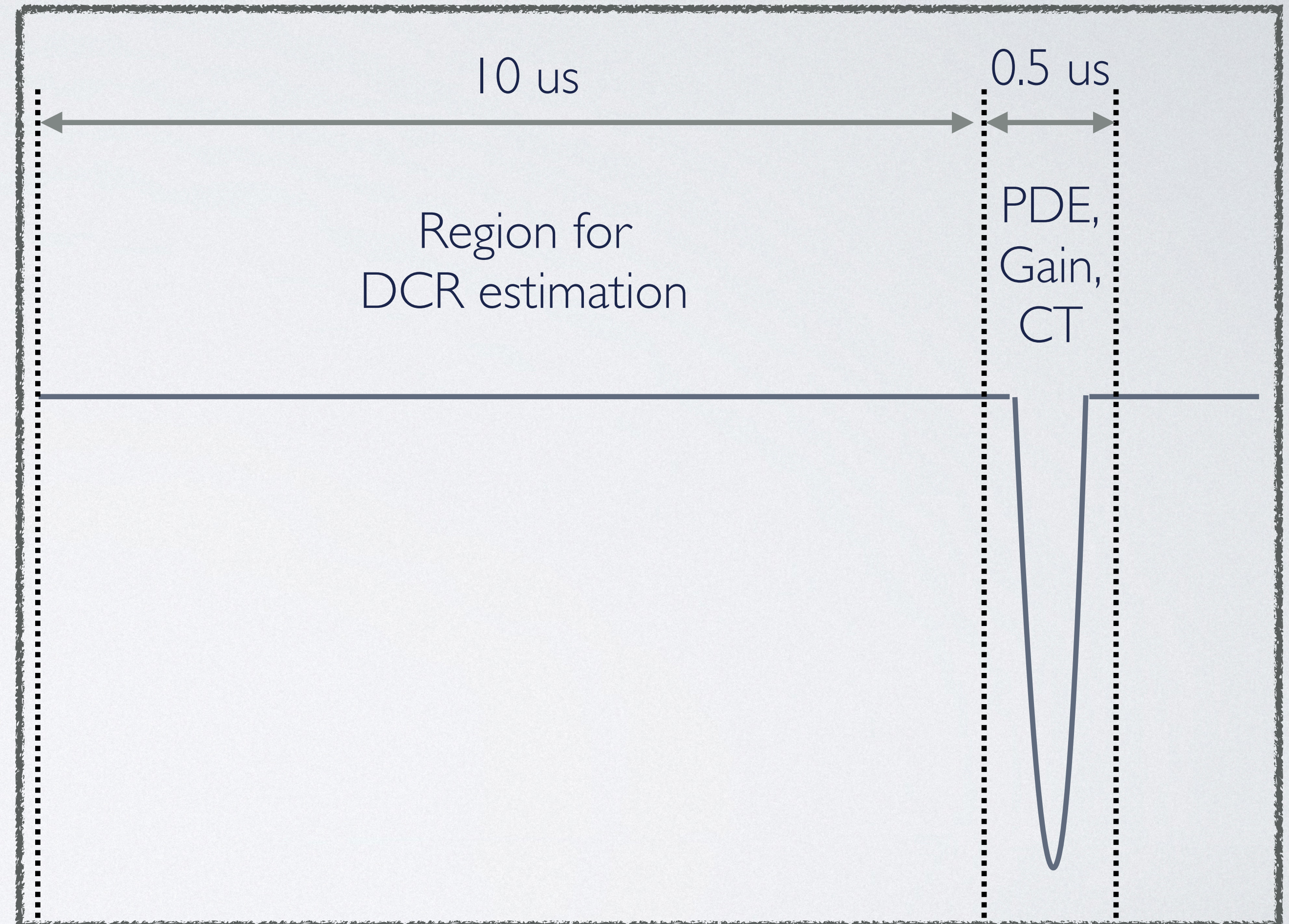
1 ADC - SiPM Tile data acquisition

2 ADC - continuous monitoring of LF with Reff. SiPMs

Run parameters:

Parameters	Values
Number of oscillograms	30k
Time window for light pulses	0.5 us/oscillogram
Time window for dark pulses	10 us/oscillogram
Voltage scan range	1 - 6V
Voltage scan step	1V

Single oscillogram

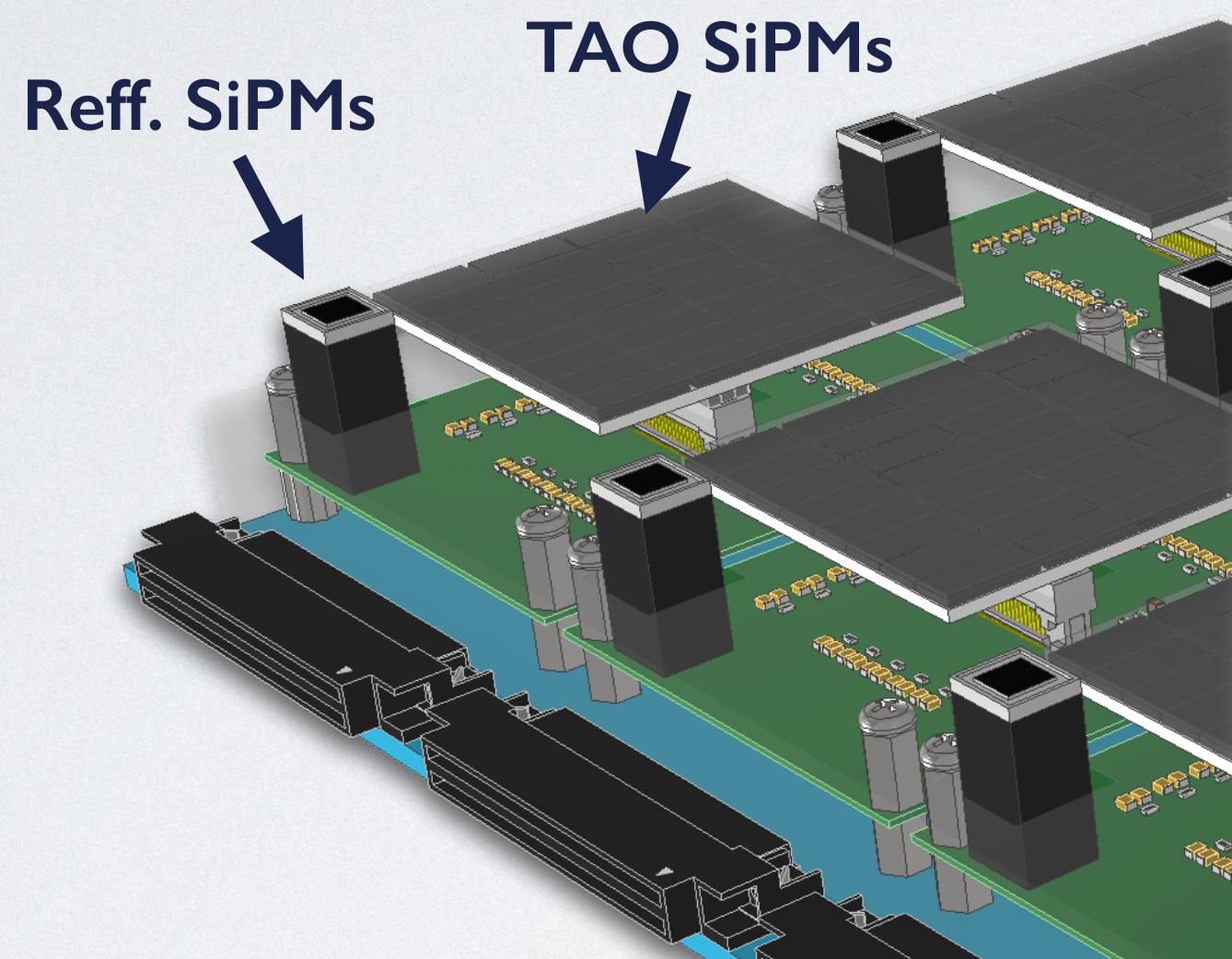


PHOTON DETECTION EFFICIENCY

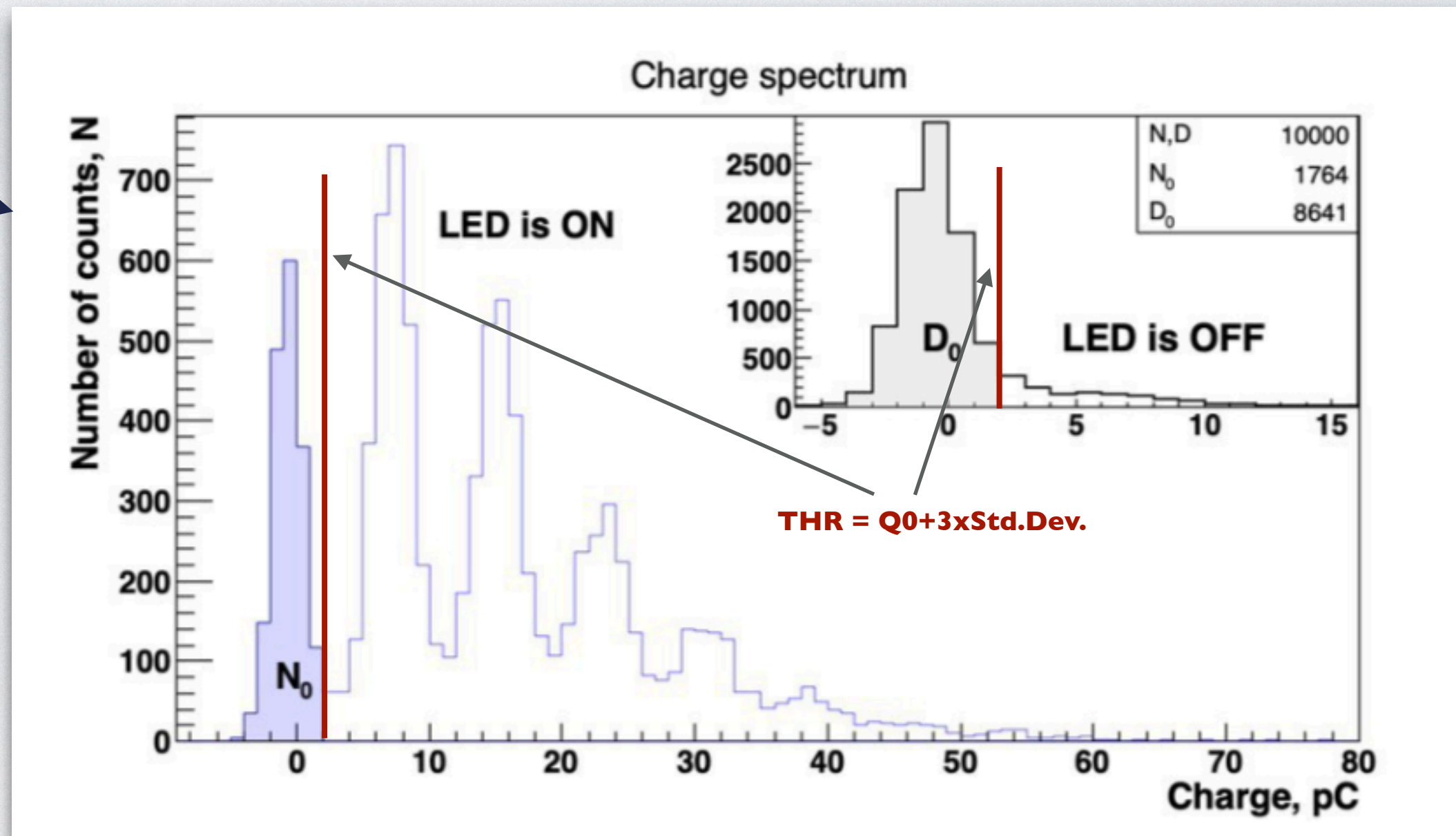
Absolute PDE value:

$$PDE_{tao\ sipm} = \frac{\mu_{tao\ sipm}}{\mu_{ref\ sipm}} \times PDE_{ref\ sipm}$$

* μ - number of photoelectrons



Estimation of the number of photoelectrons

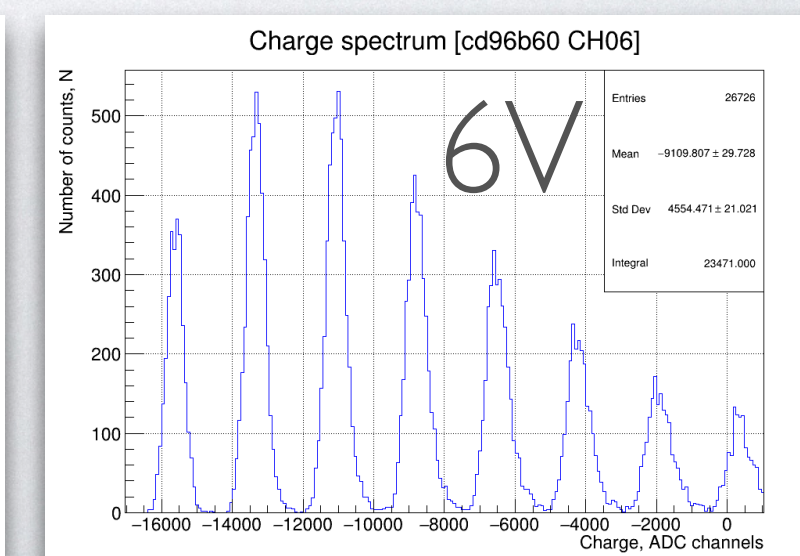
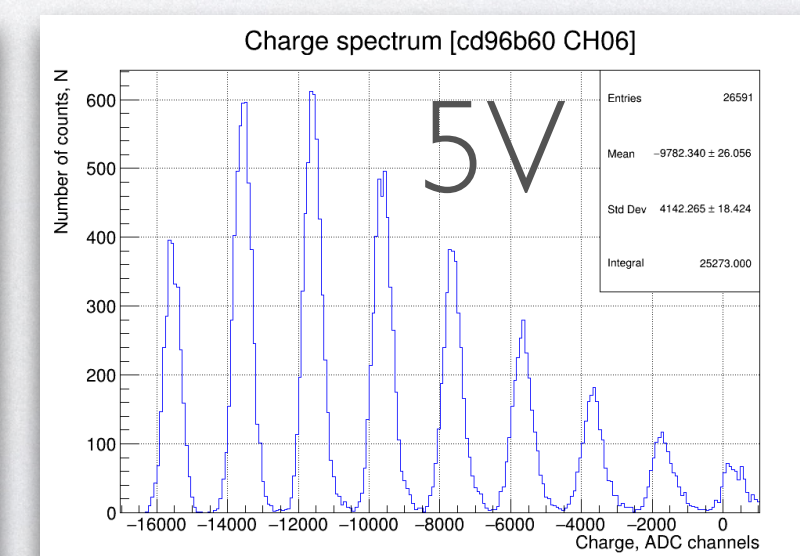
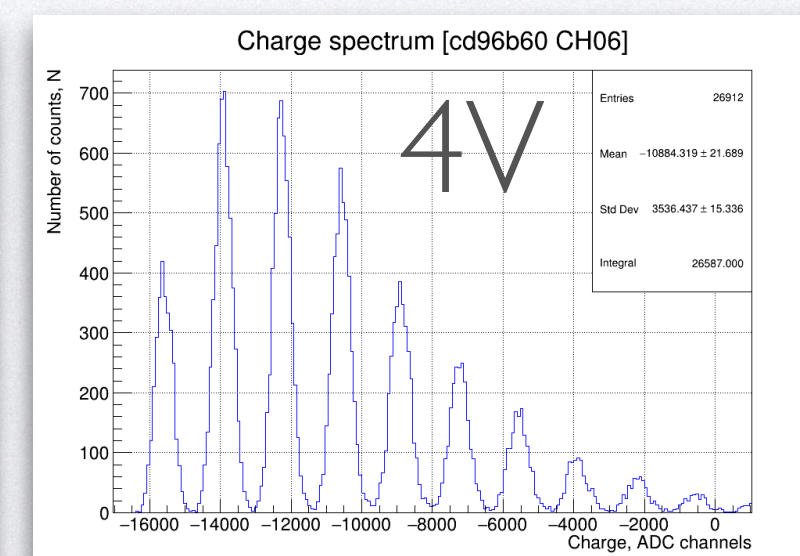
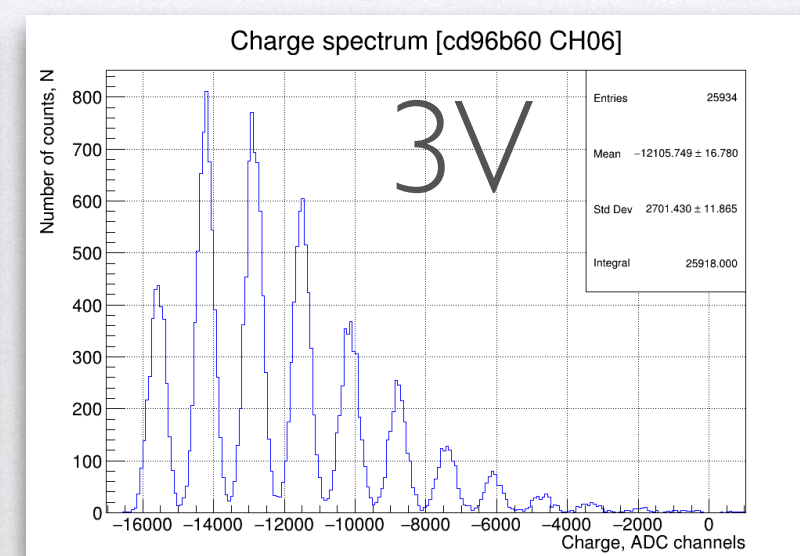
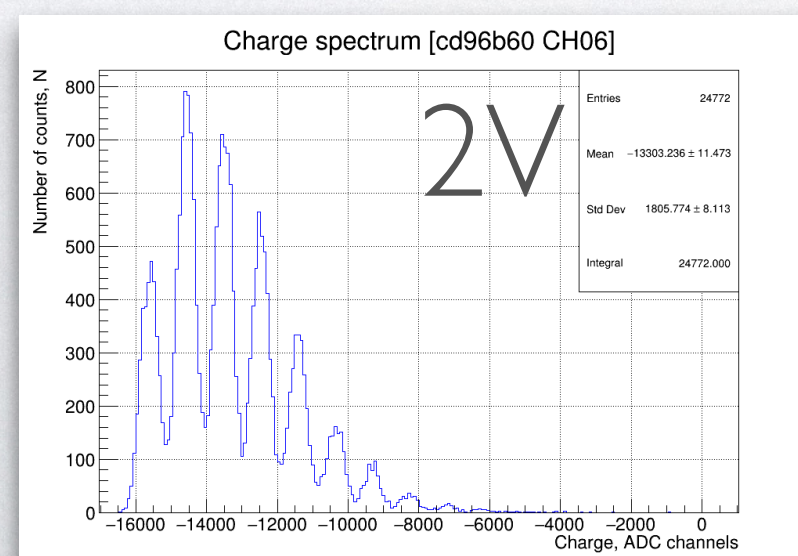
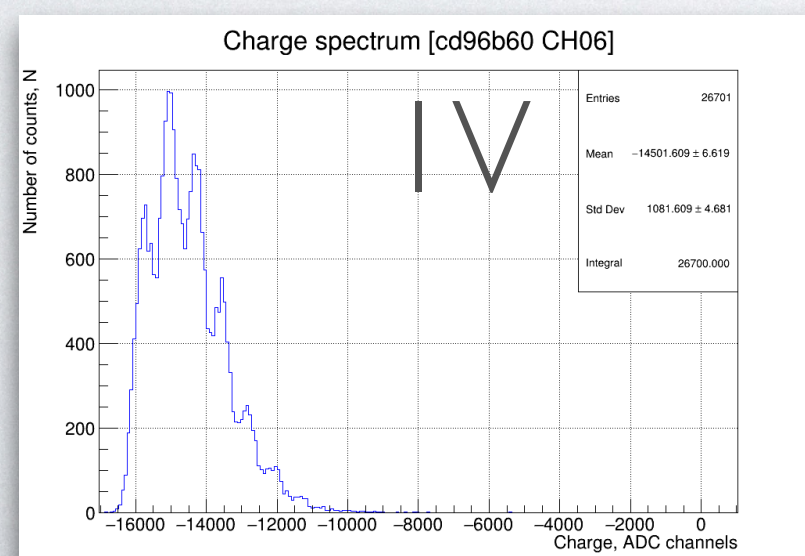


$$e^{-\mu} = \leftarrow \text{Poisson}(\mu, n=0) \rightarrow = \left(\frac{N_0}{N} \right) / \left(\frac{D_0}{D} \right),$$

$$\mu = -\ln \left(\frac{N_0}{N} \right).$$

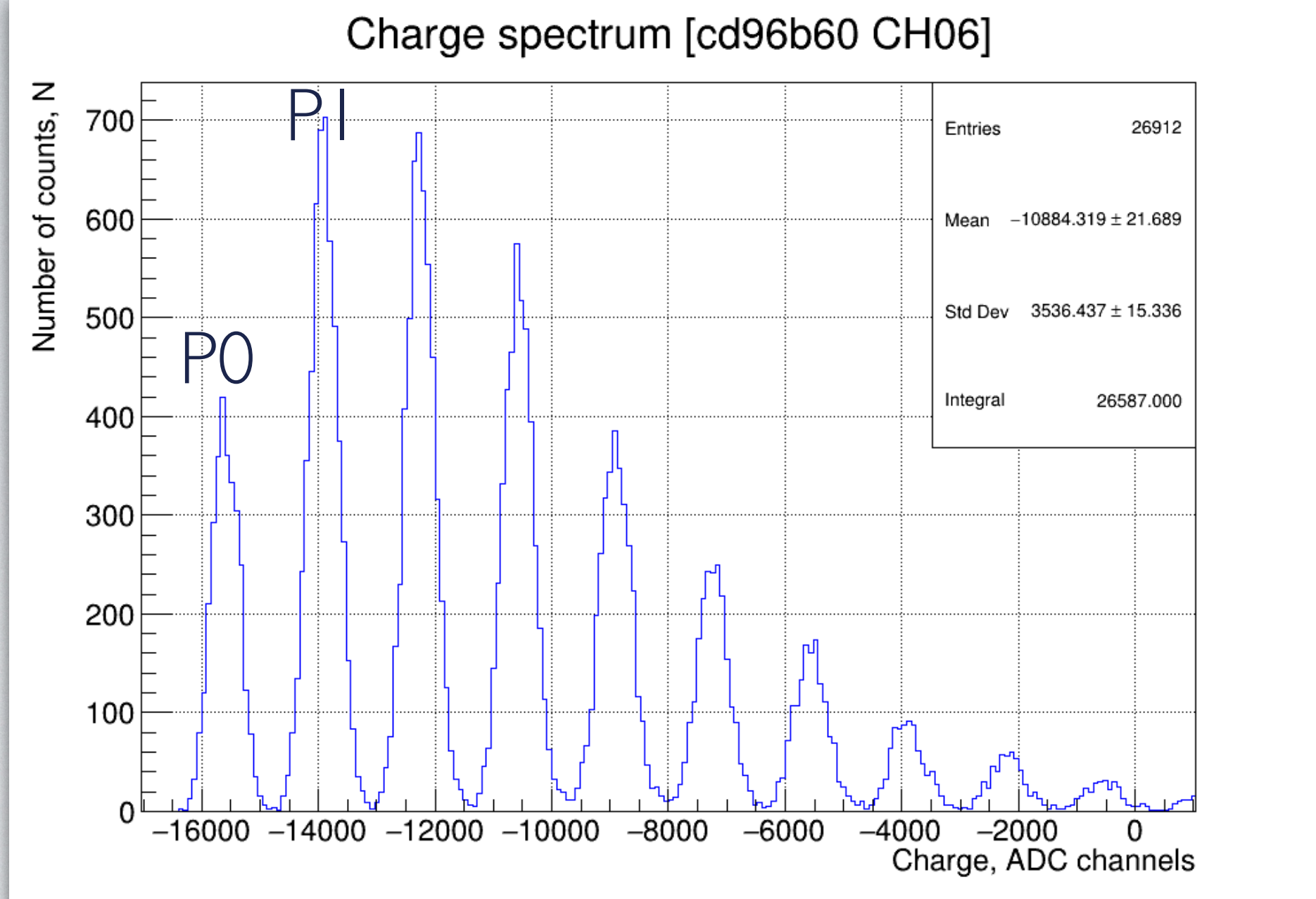
$$\sigma_{\mu} \approx \sqrt{\frac{D_0 + N_0}{D_0 N_0}}.$$

Accuracy: $\pm 0.5\%$



GAIN & BREAKDOWN VOLTAGE

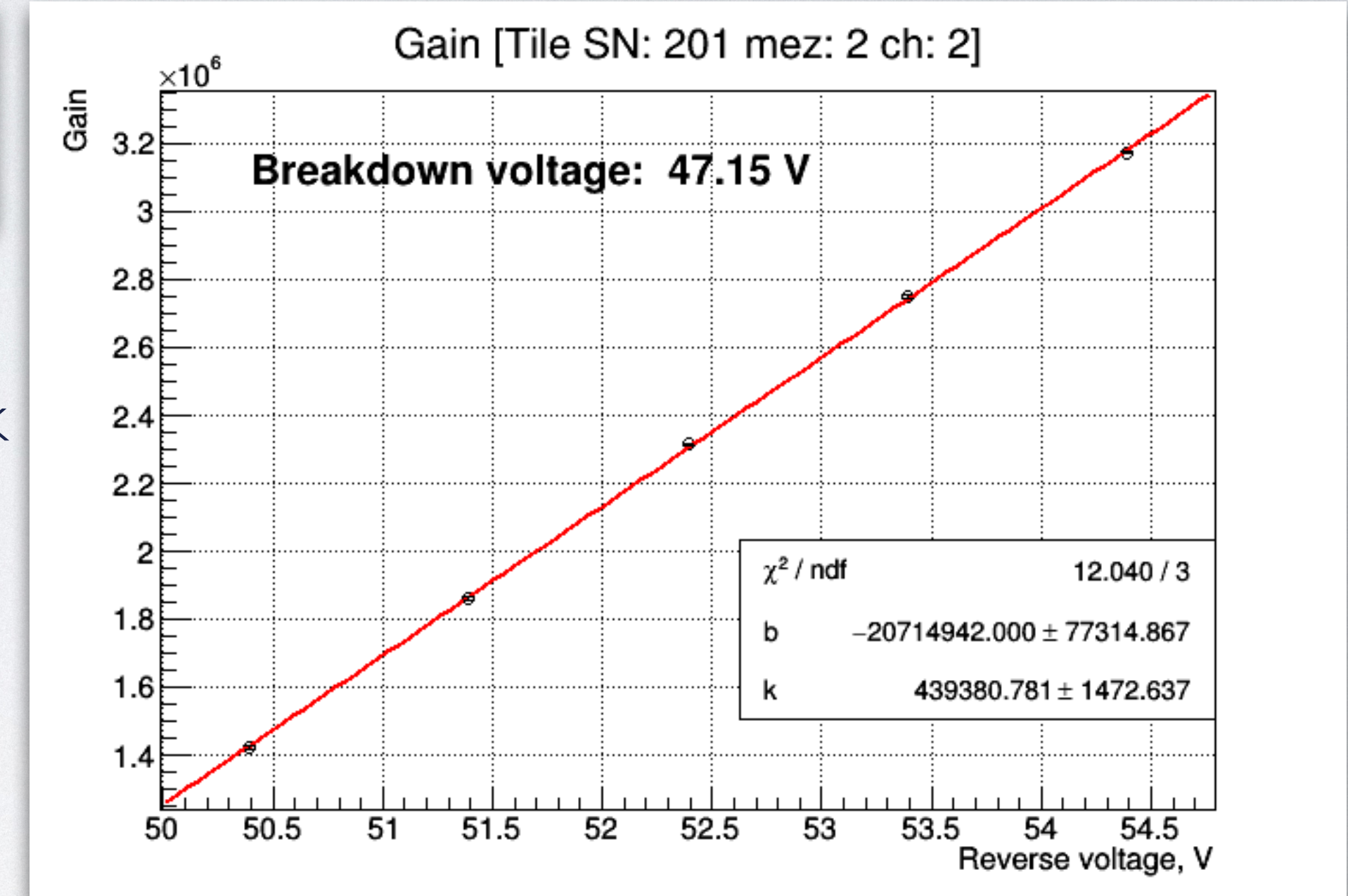
Gain-Voltage dependence



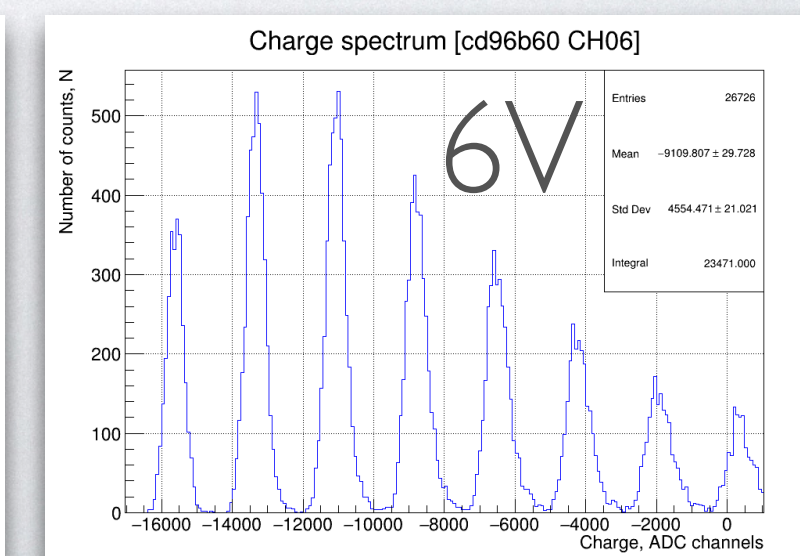
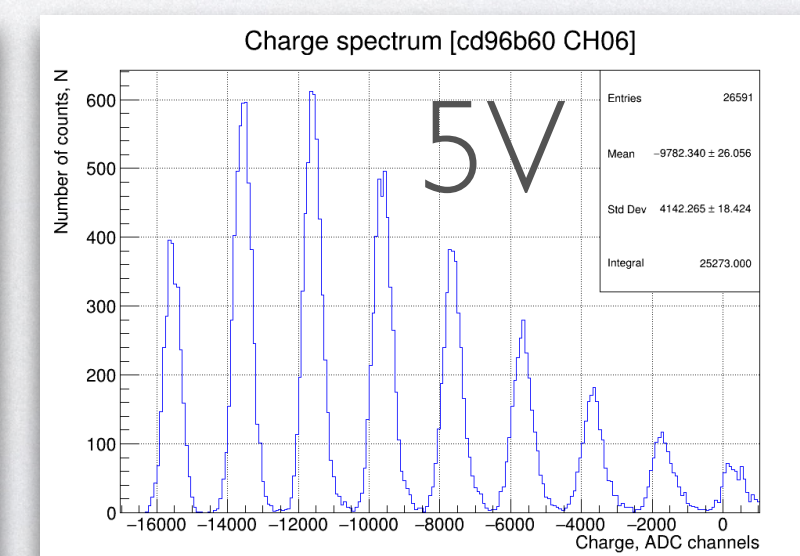
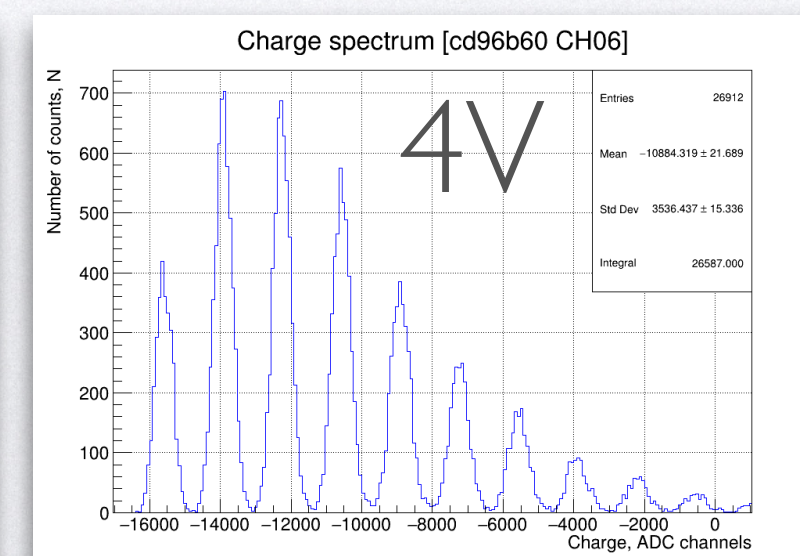
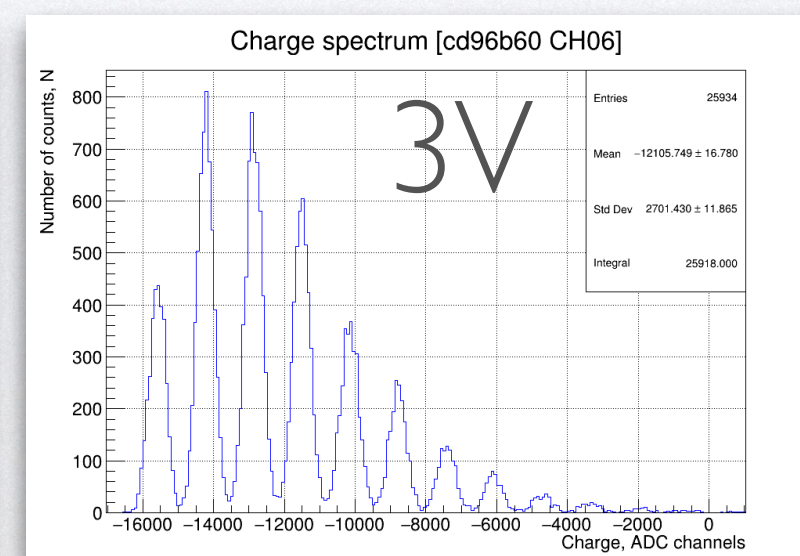
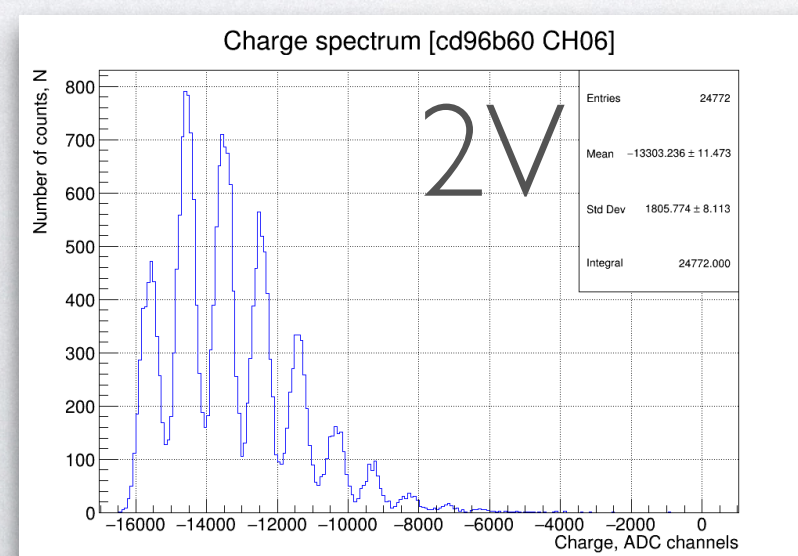
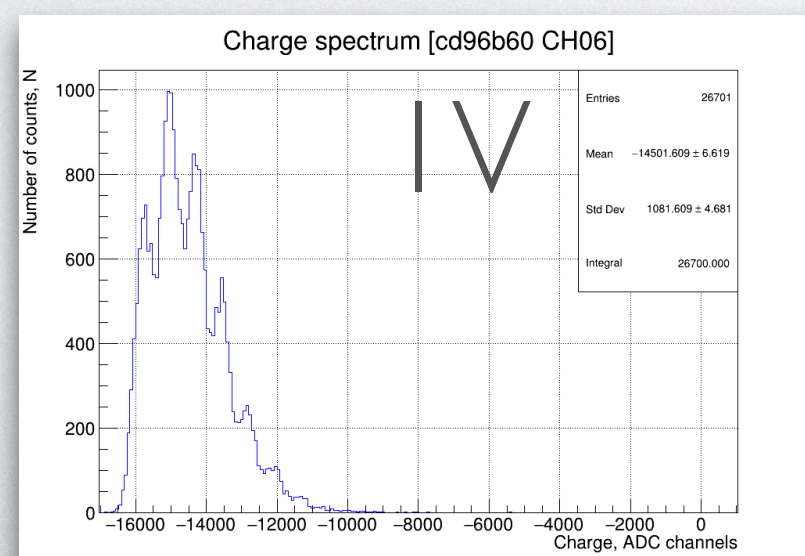
$$GAIN_{pixel} = \frac{P0 - P1}{K_{amp} \cdot q}$$

P0 - pedestal position
 P1 - position of the 1st peak
 K_{amp} - coeff. of the amplifier
 q - elementary charge

Gain Accuracy: ±0.4%

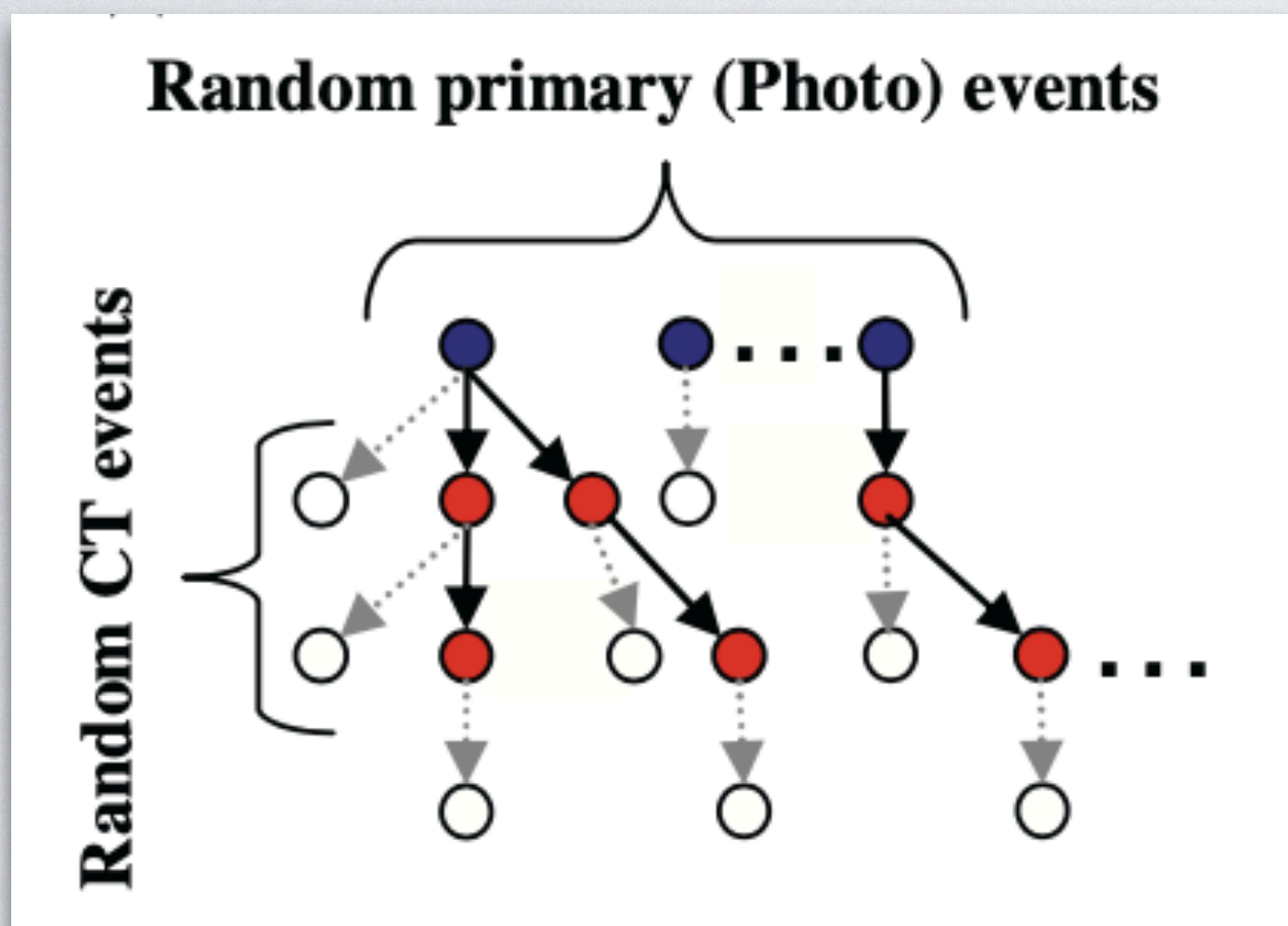


V_{bd} Accuracy: ±0.1%



CROSSTALKS

Branching Poisson crosstalk process



Generalized Poisson distribution

$$P(n|\mu, \lambda) = \frac{\mu(\mu + n\lambda)^{n-1} e^{-(\mu+n\lambda)}}{n!}$$

More details in:

S.Vinogradov, (2011). Analytical models of probability distribution and excess noise factor of Solid State Photomultiplier signals with crosstalk. NIMA 695. 10.1016/j.nima.2011.11.086.

Crosstalk evaluation

- Building charge spectra
- Extracting and calculation of values:
 - Mean of spectrum
 - Pedestal position of spectrum
 - Number of photoelectrons (μ)
 - Gain of pixel (Q_1)
 - Average SiPM response
- Crosstalk probability

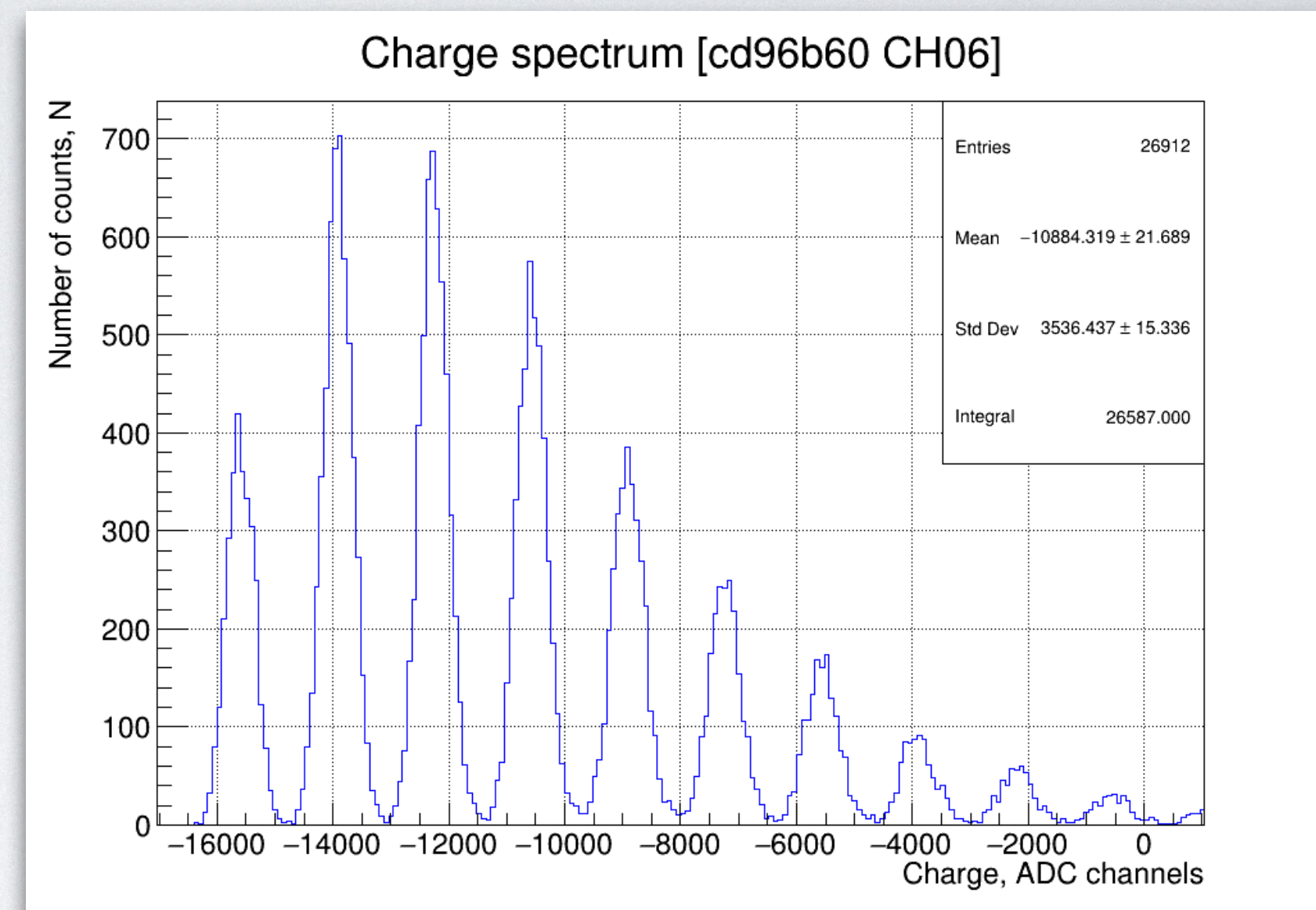
$$S = Mean_{spectrum} - Pos_{pedestal}$$

$$\lambda = 1 - \frac{\mu Q_1}{S}$$

$$\delta_\lambda = \frac{1}{S} \sqrt{(Q_1 \delta_\mu)^2 + (\mu \delta_{Q_1})^2 + \left(\frac{Q_1 \mu}{S} \delta_S\right)^2}$$

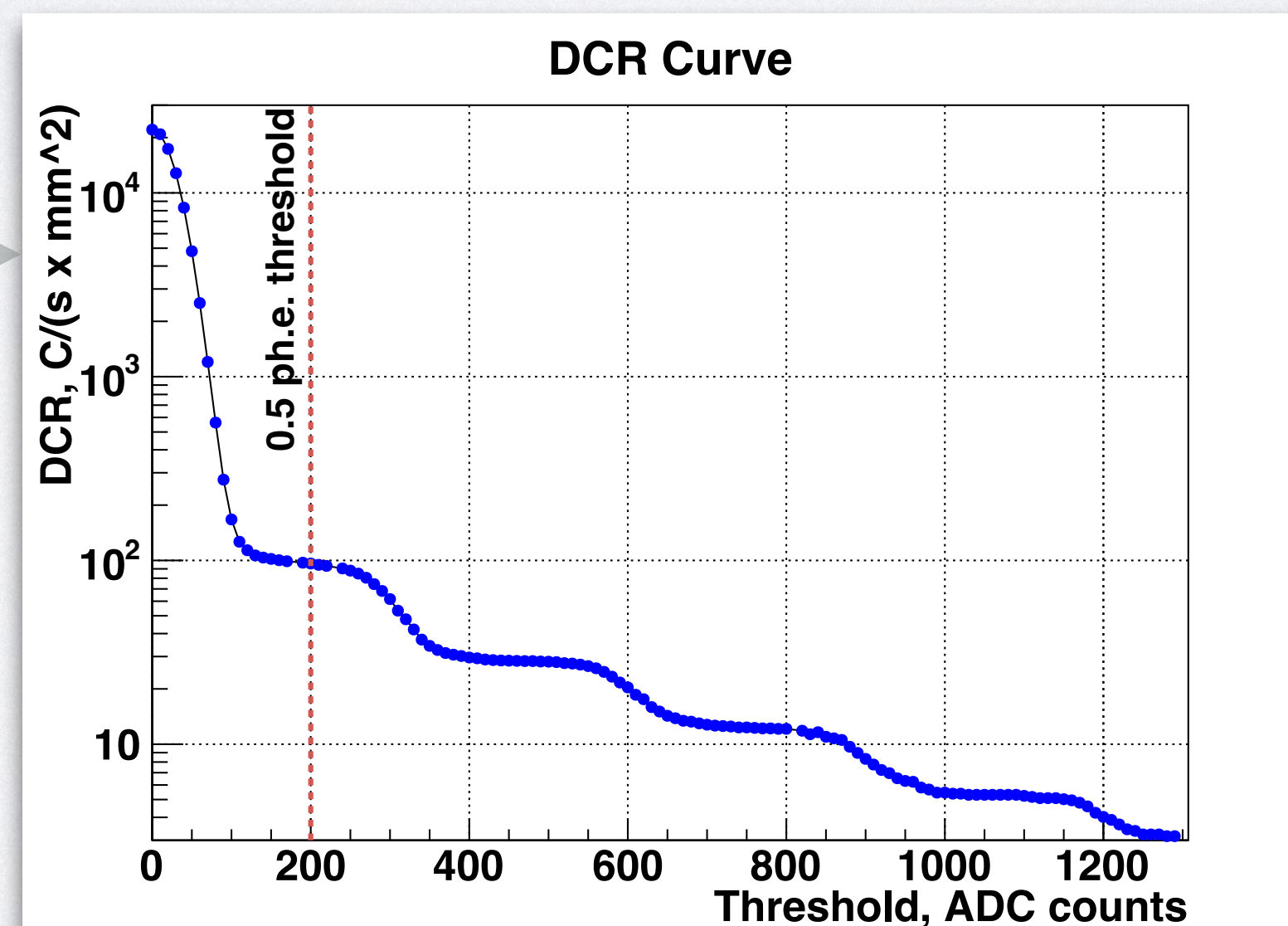
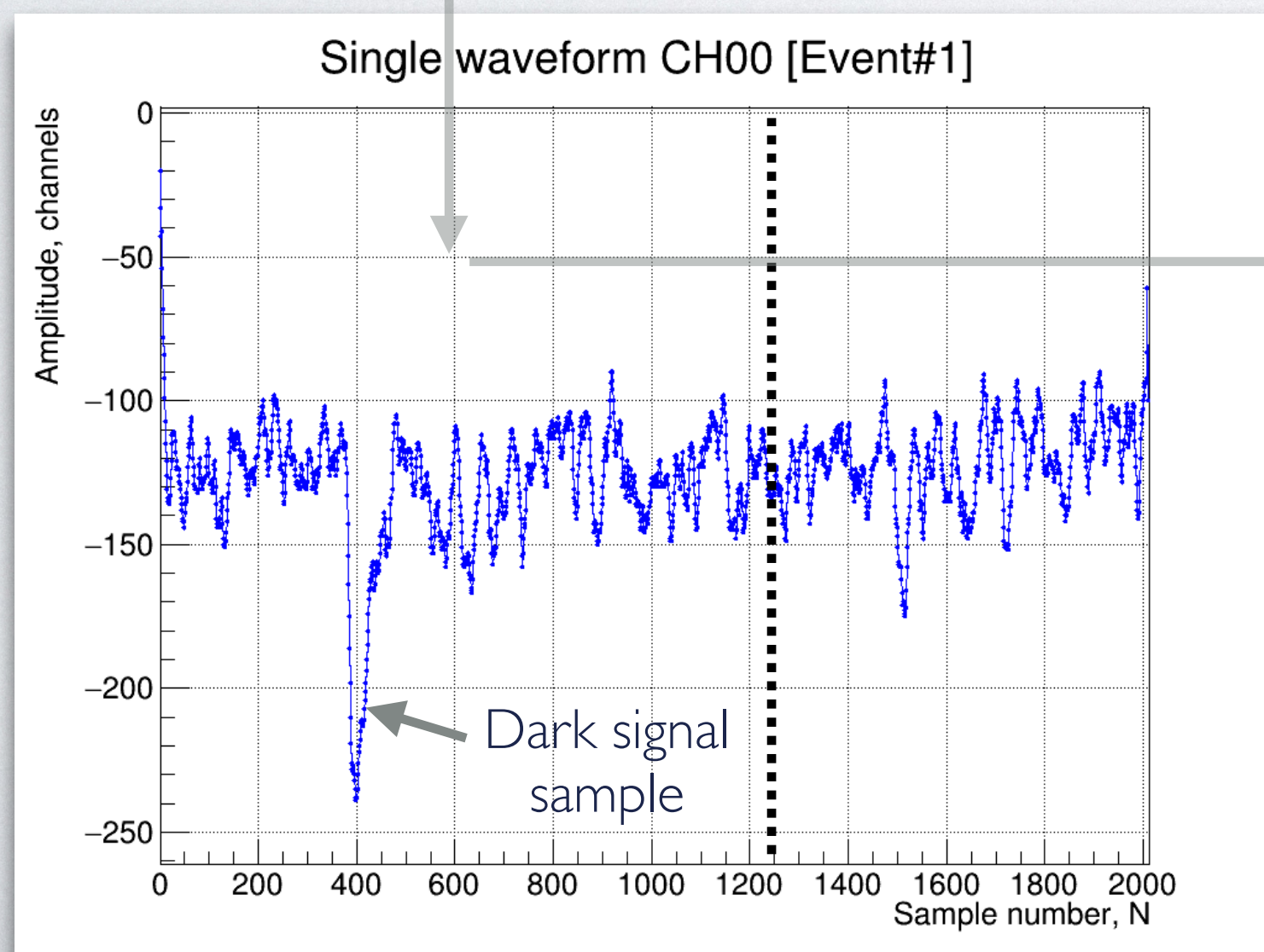
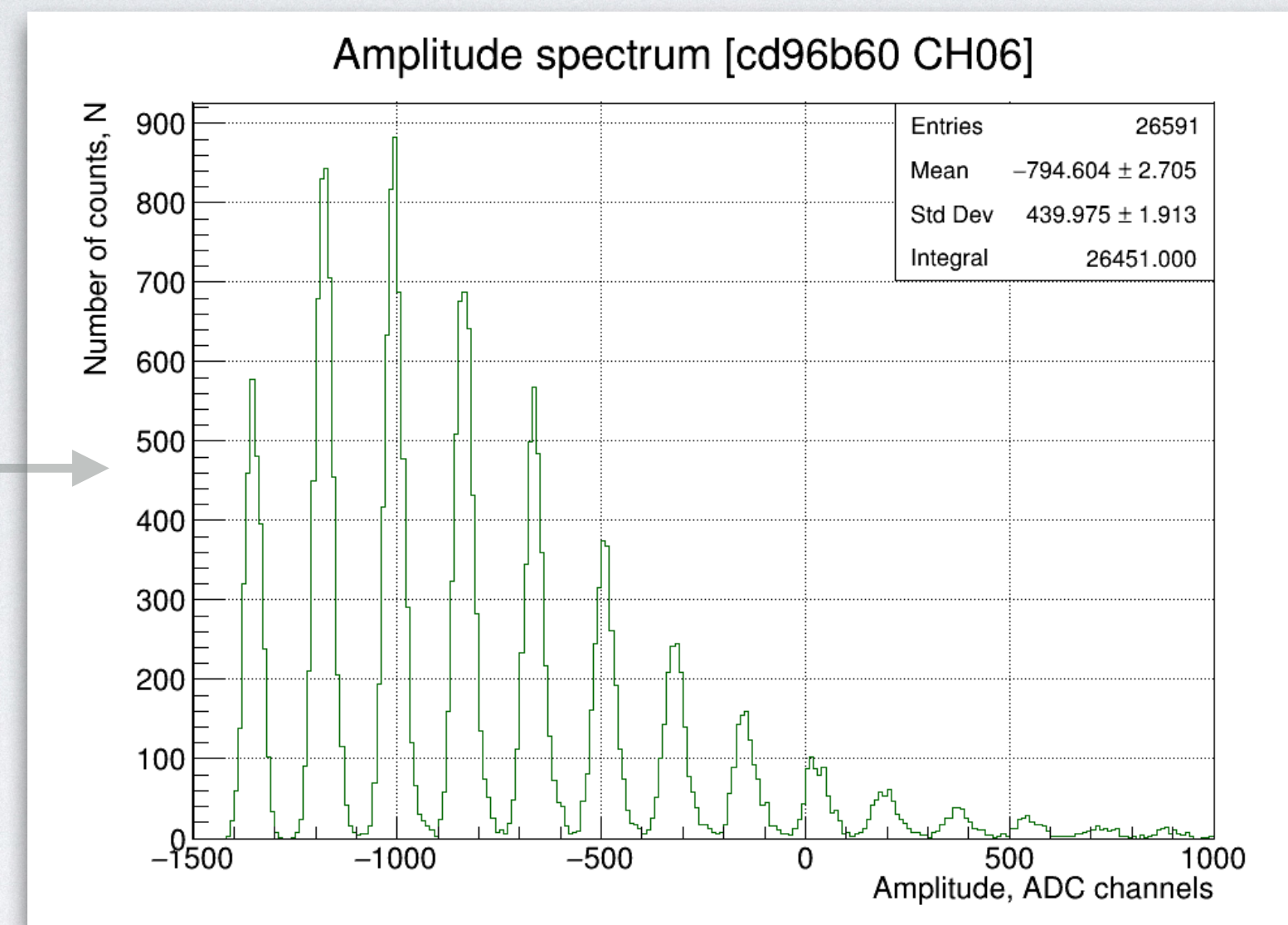
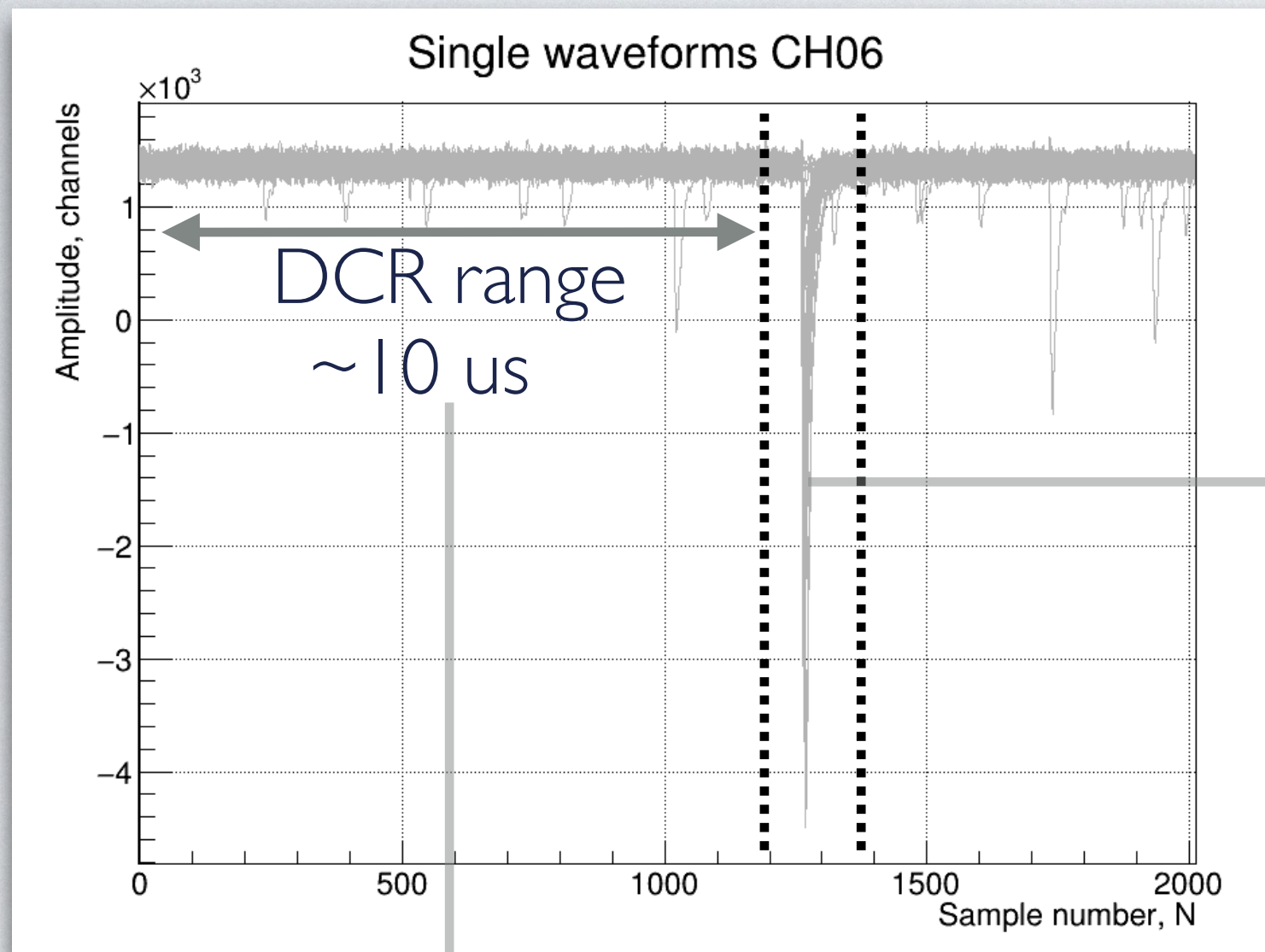
$$P_{crosstalk} = 1 - exp(-\lambda)$$

Accuracy: $\pm 3\%$



Gate window: 500ns

DARK COUNT RATE



DCR curve reconstruction by means of software analysis ADC data file

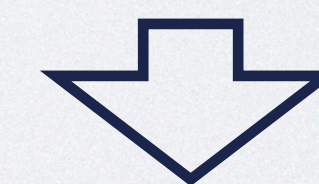
$$DCR = \frac{C}{W \times N \times S}$$

$$\sigma_{DCR} = \frac{\sqrt{C}}{W \times N \times S}$$

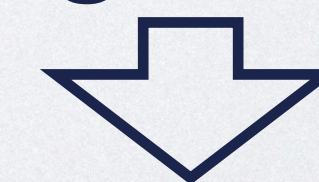
C - number of counts over threshold
 W - width of analysis window (10us)
 N - number of oscillogram (30k)
 S - SiPM area (144mm²)

Accuracy: $\pm 1.5\%$

Eval. DCR @ diff.thresholds



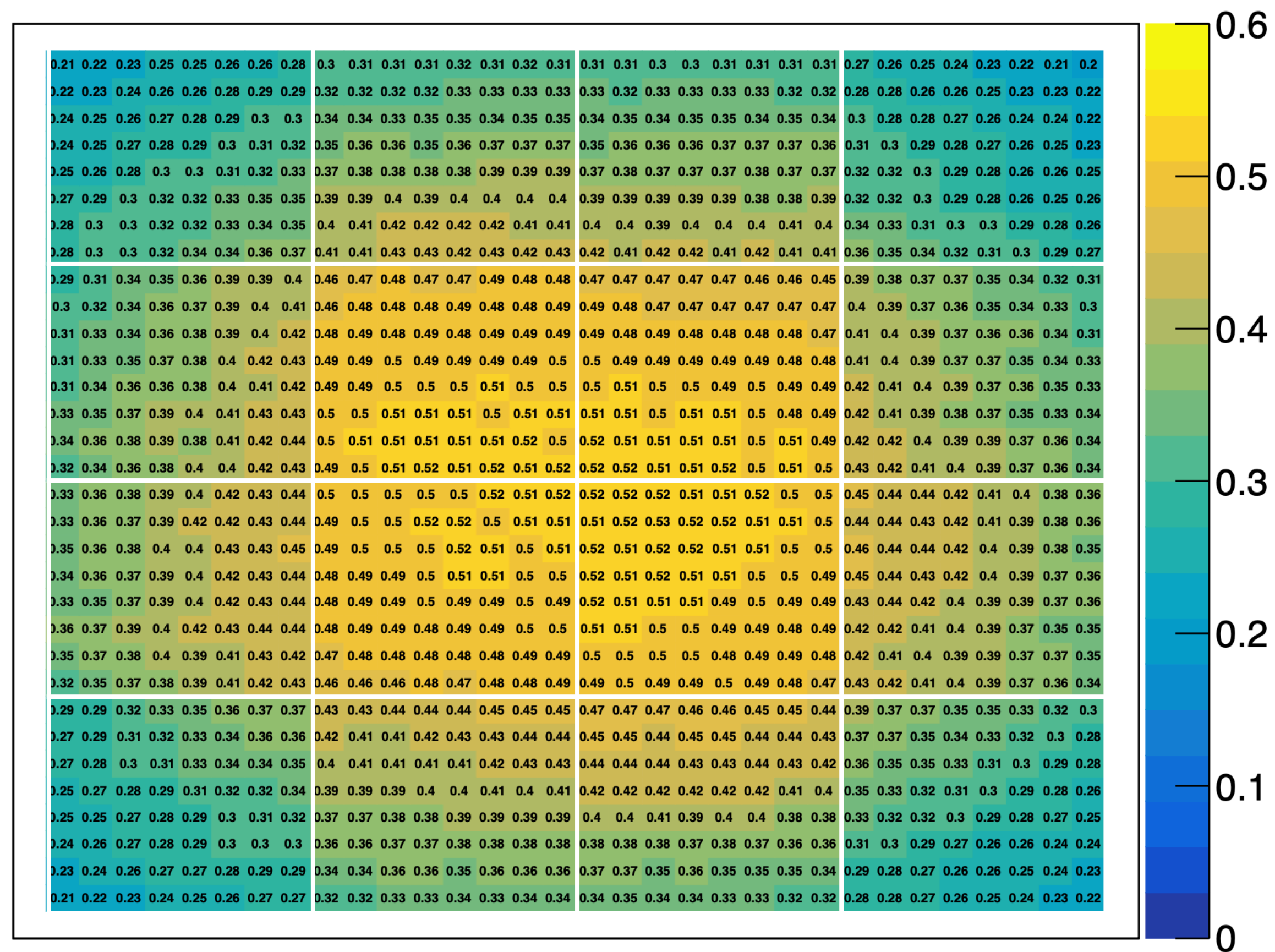
Building DCR Curve



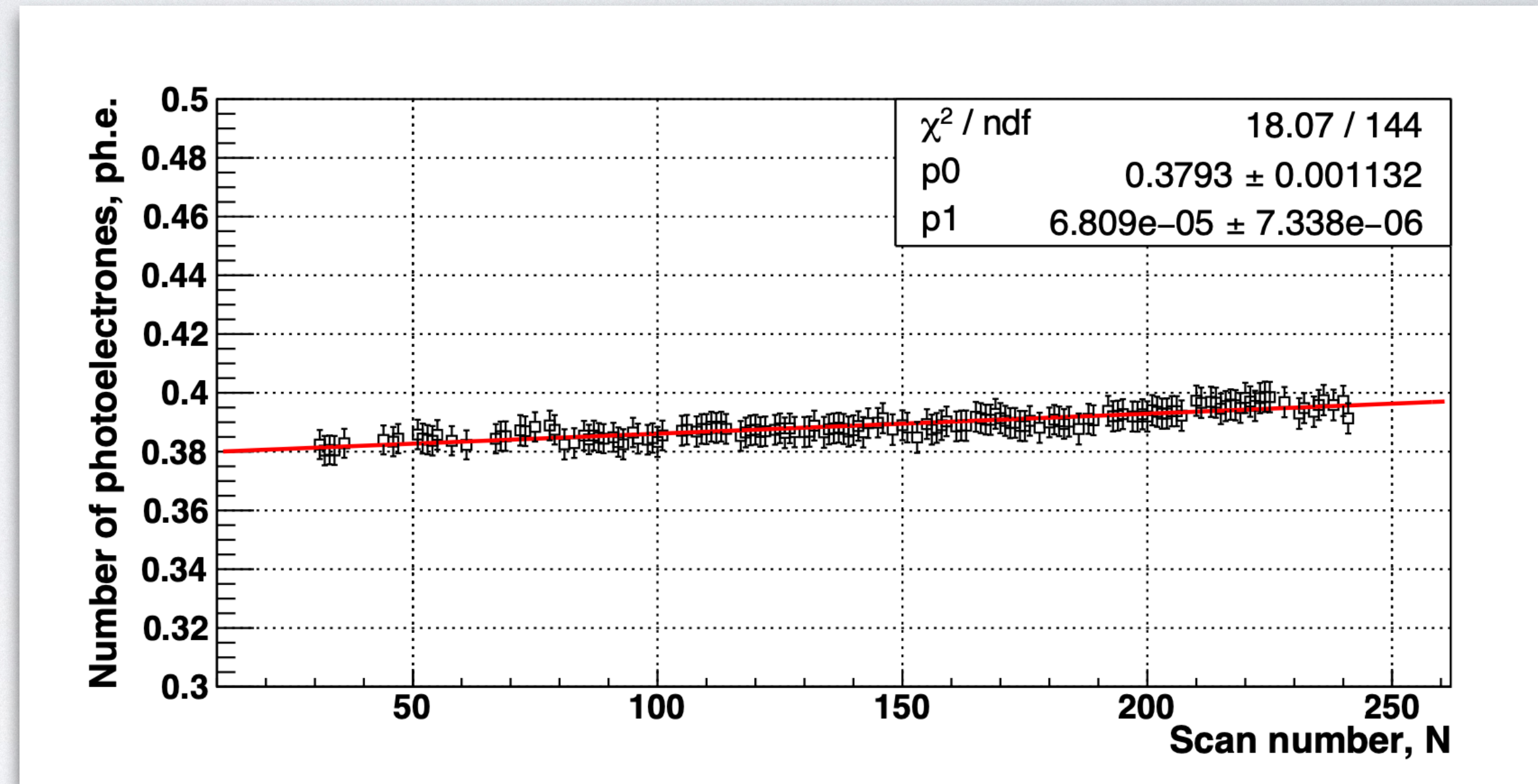
DCR Value @ required threshold

LIGHT FIELD SCAN PERFORMANCE

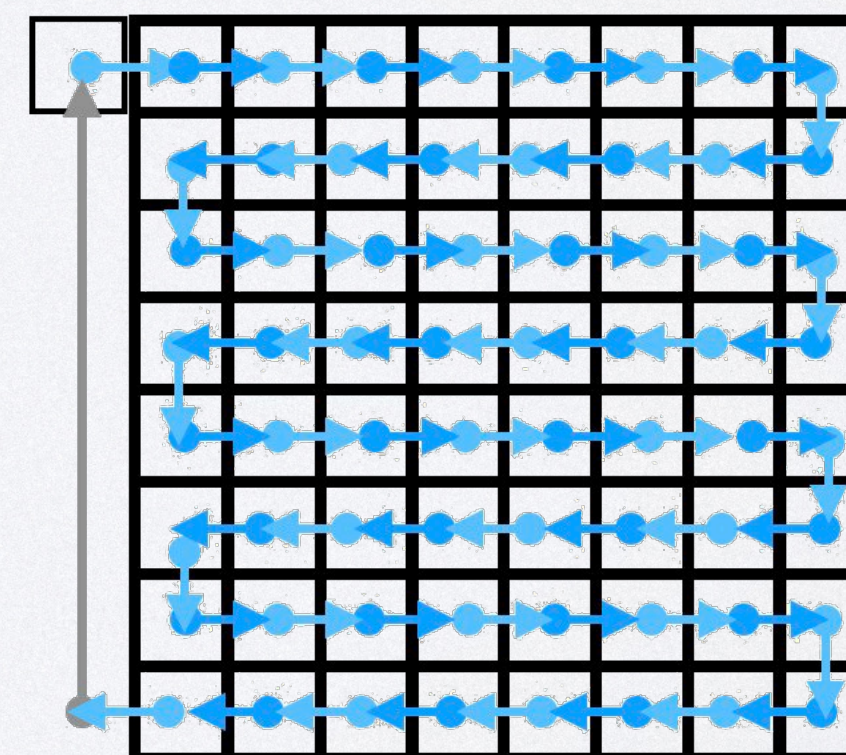
The light field map



Light stability overall scans



Scanning path



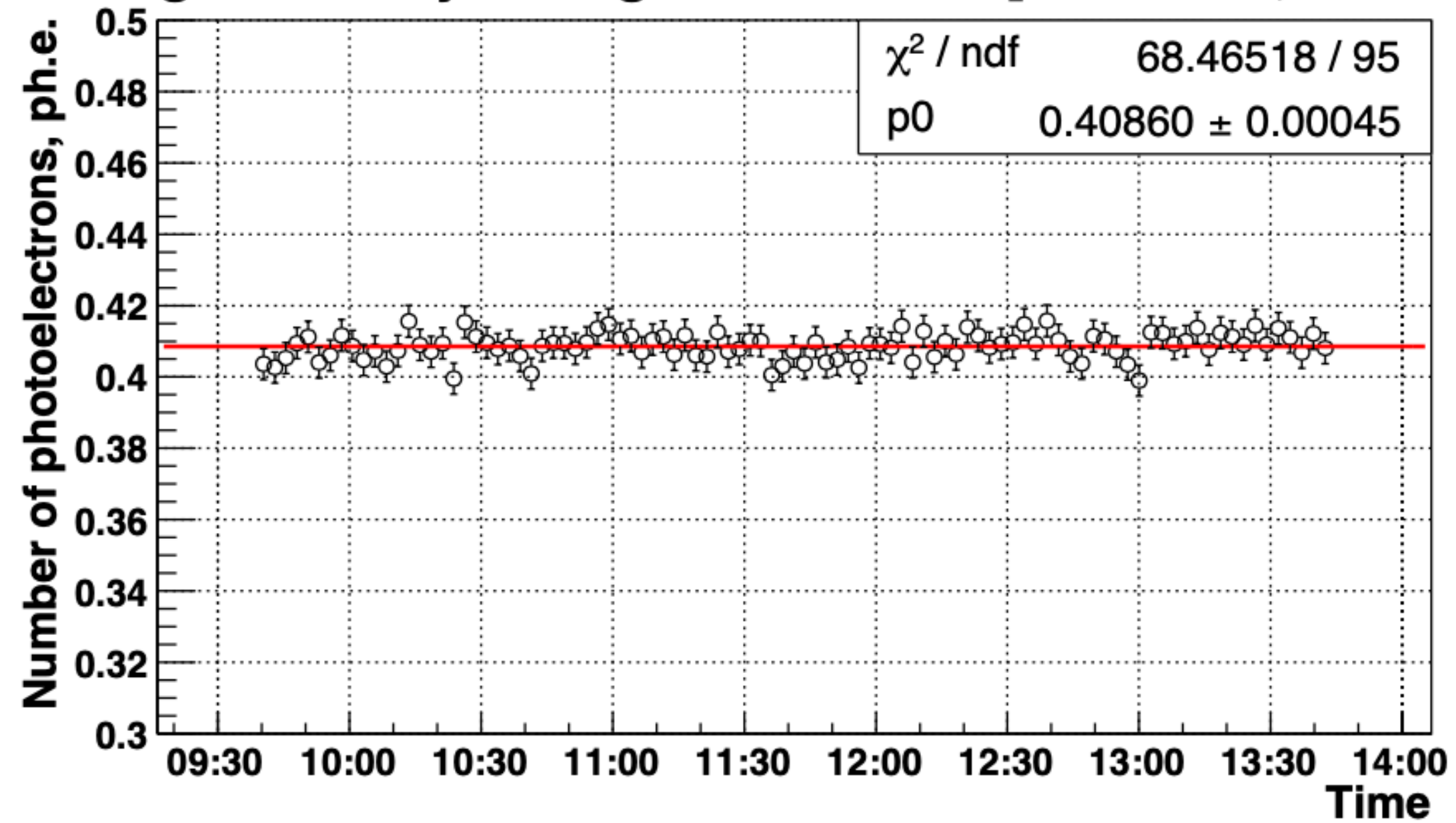
For single tile

- 64 points/single tile area
- the same for all 16 tiles

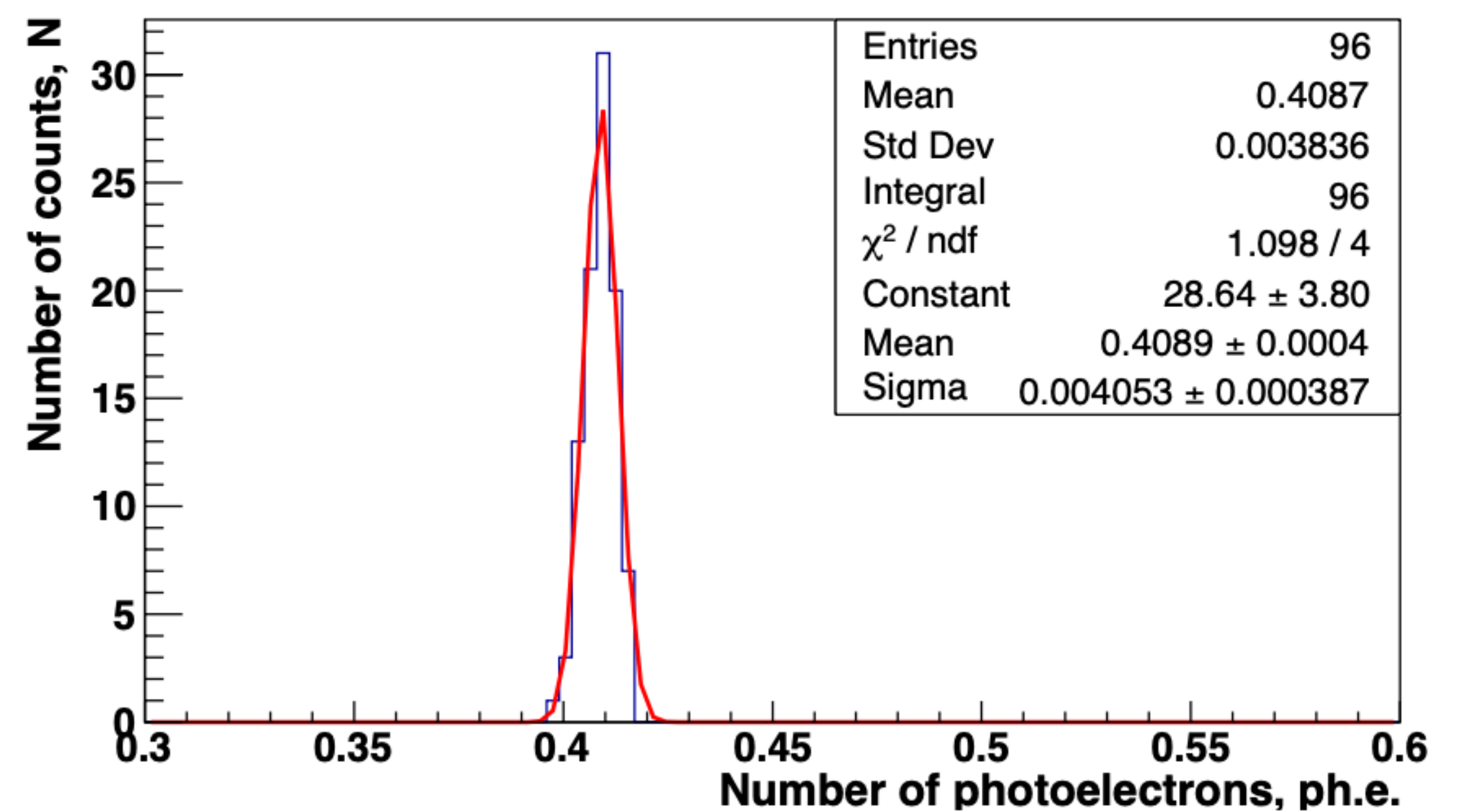
LIGHT FIELD STABILITY

Over single scan

Light stability during the main run [Scan#143, Tile: 8]



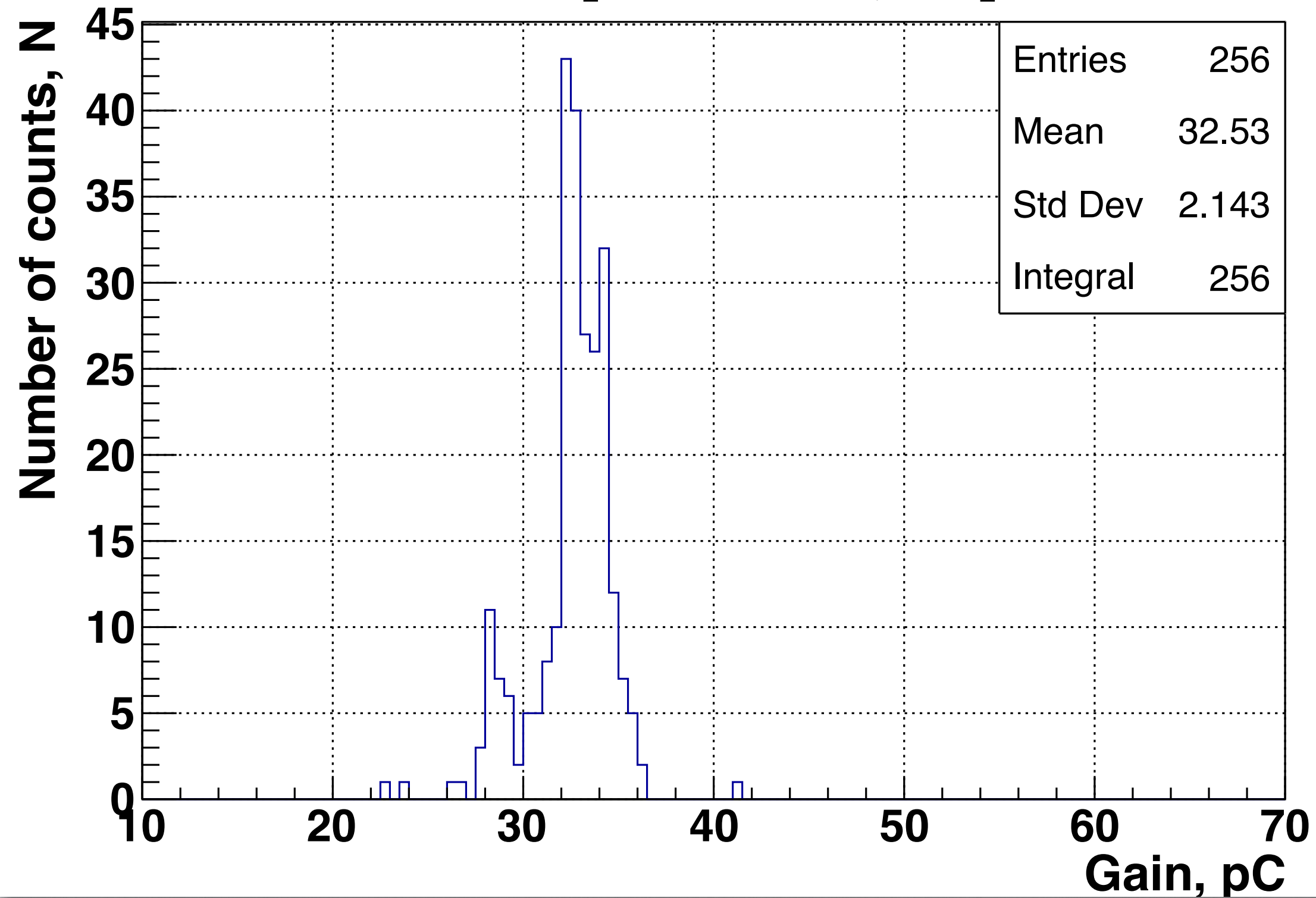
Light stability distribution during the main run [Scan#143, Tile: 8]



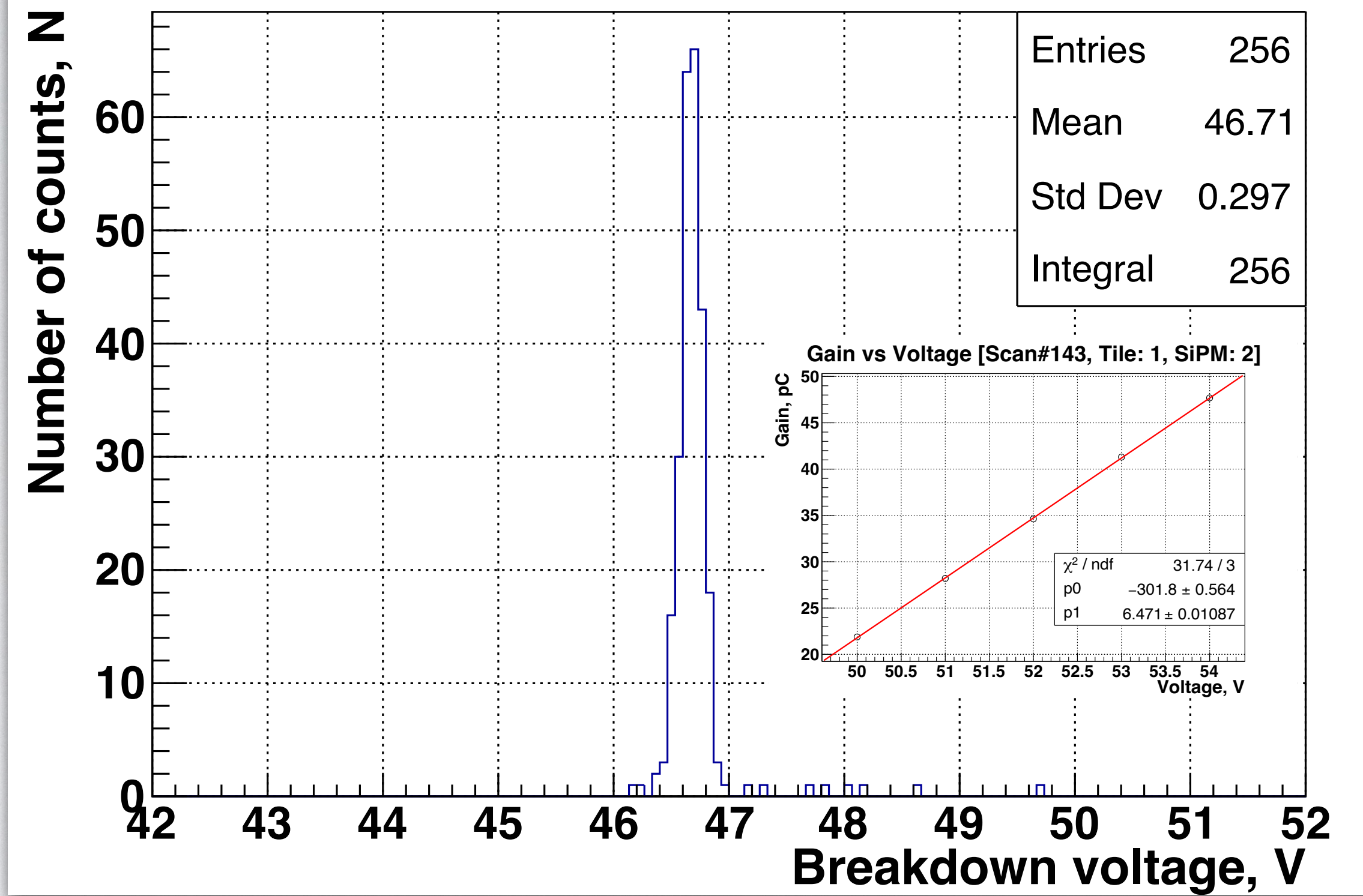
MAIN SCAN PERFORMANCE

Single scan

Gain [Scan#143, 4V]

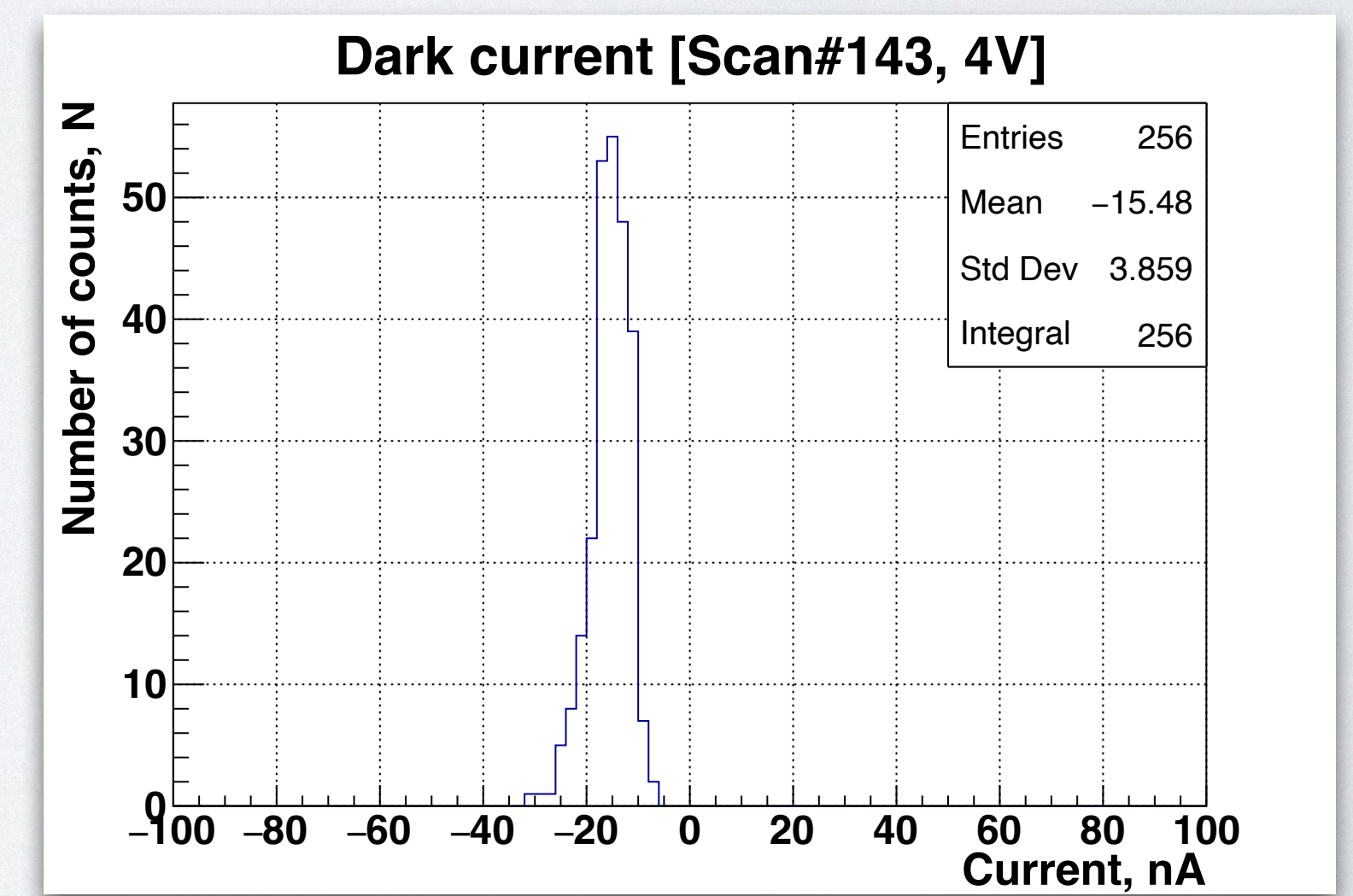
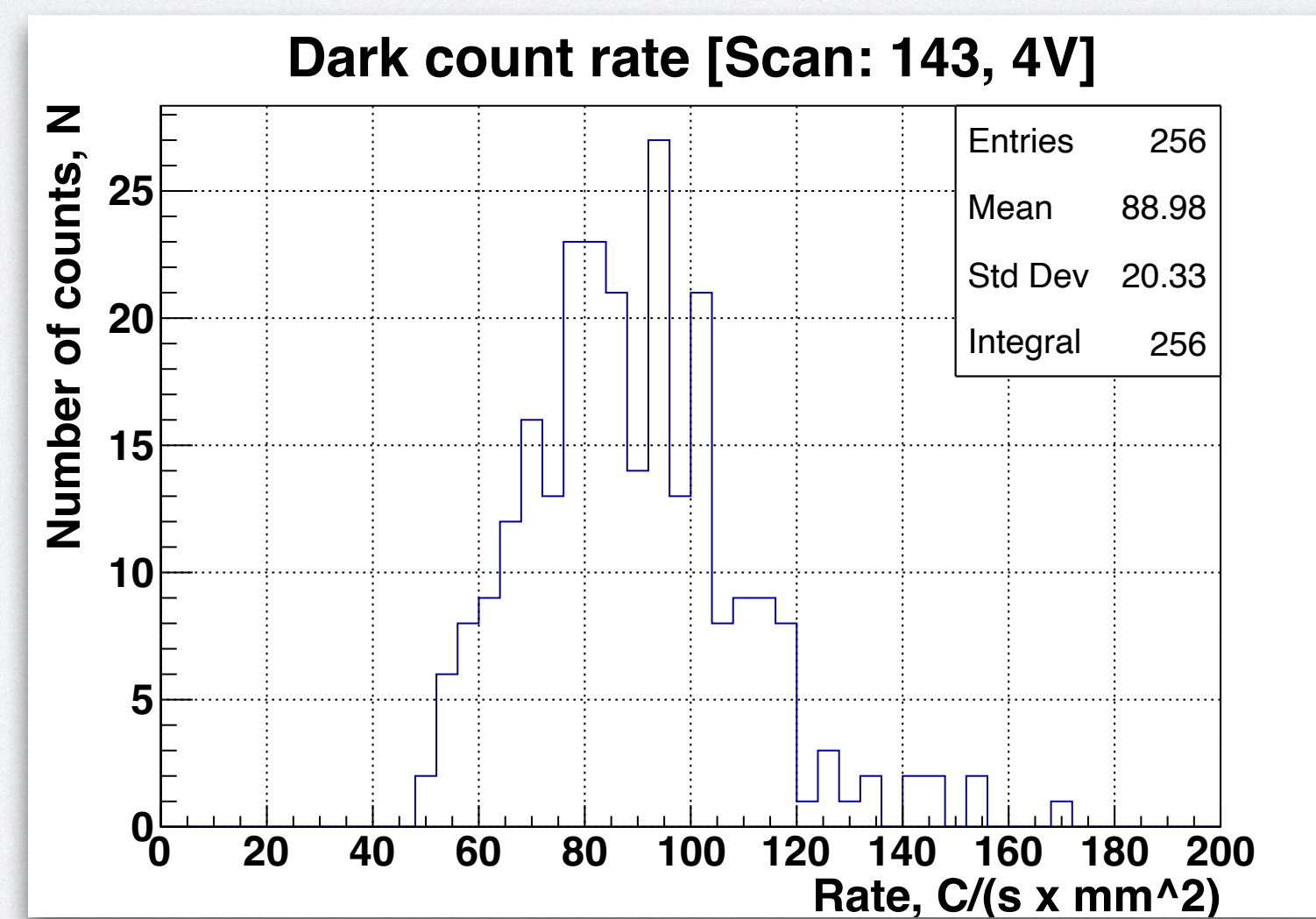
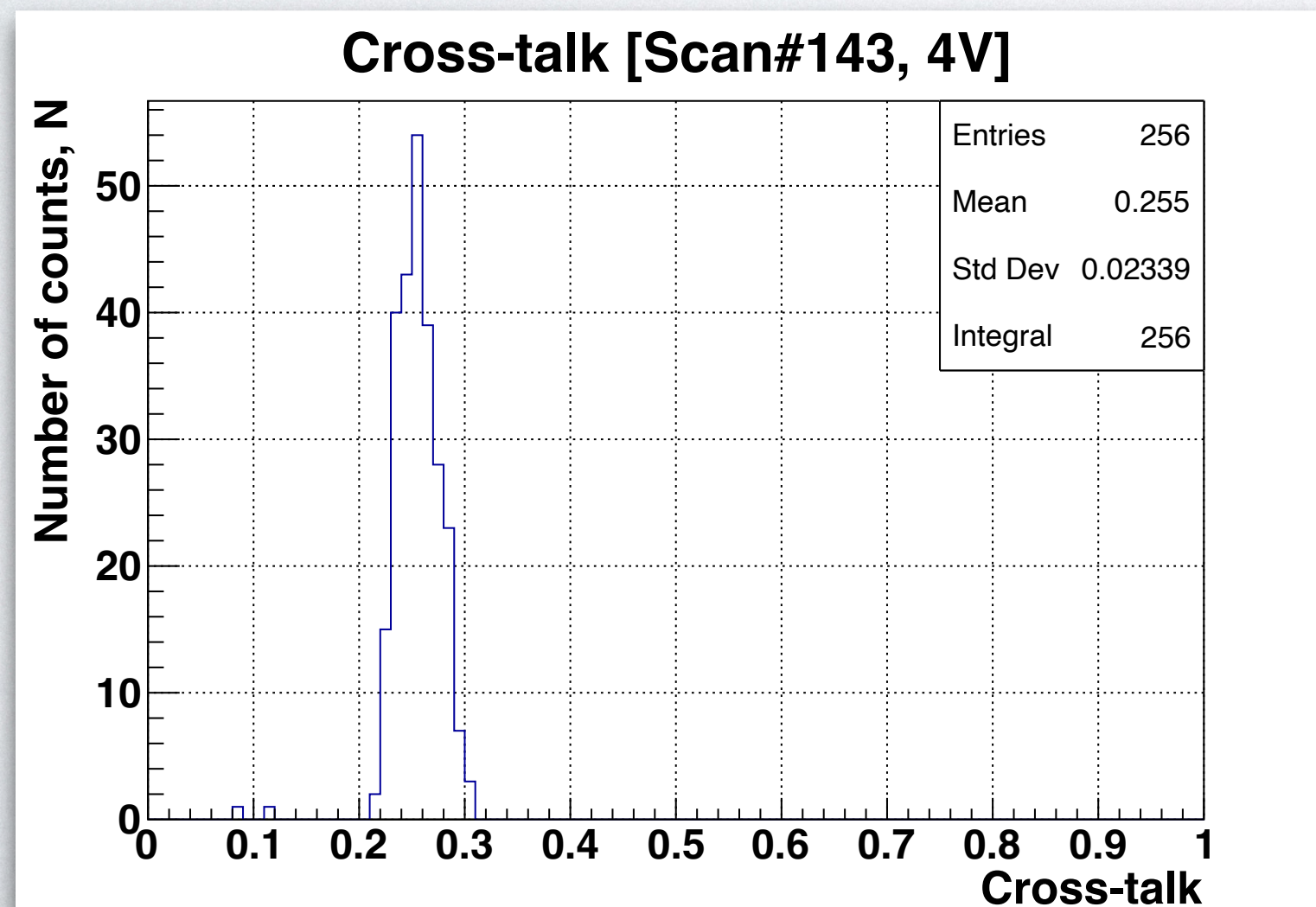
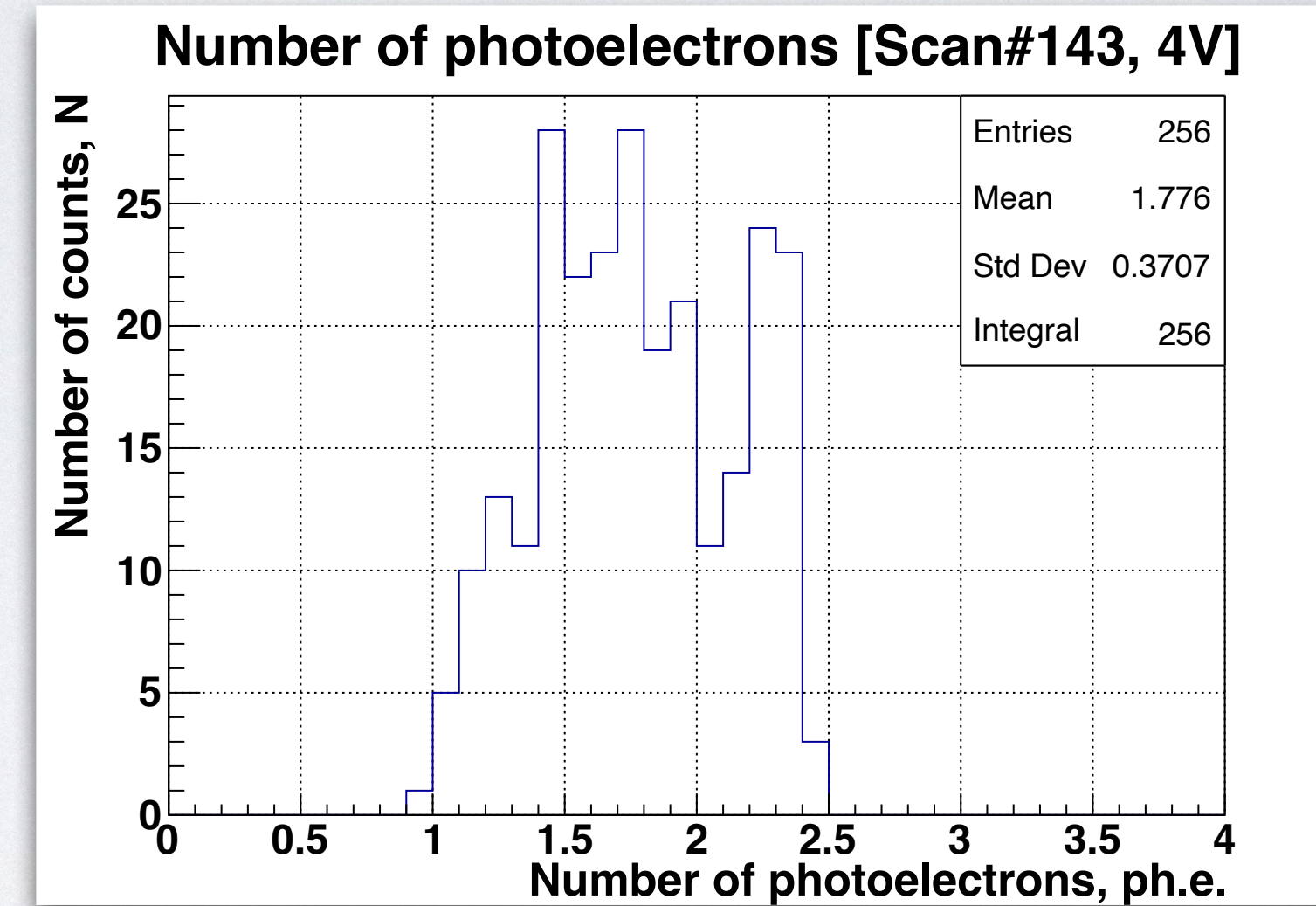
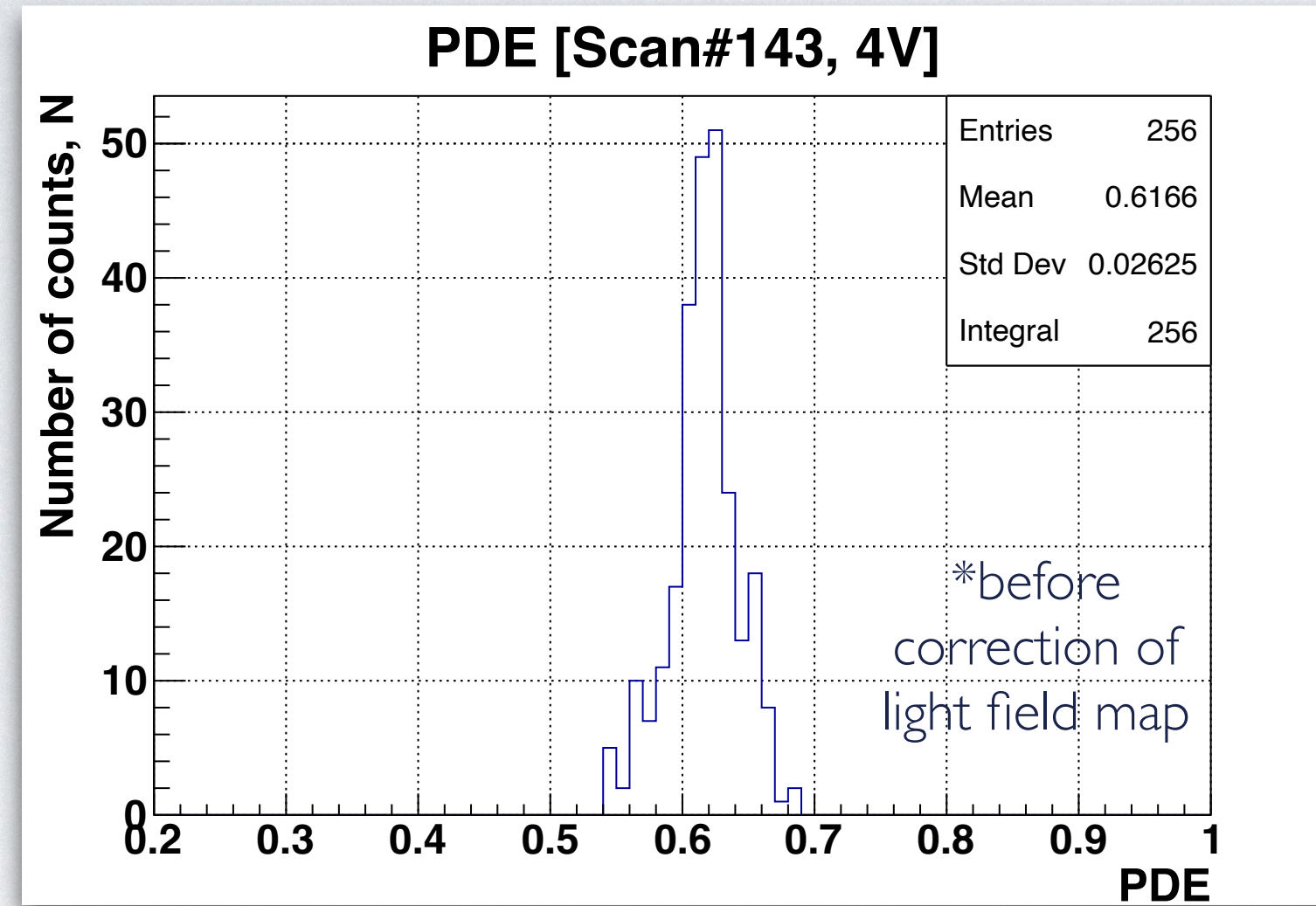


Breakdown voltage [Scan#143]



MAIN SCAN PERFORMANCE

Single scan



SUMMARY

- The setup design has been developed
- The testing procedures and methods have been developed and applied
- The testing setup has been produced and put into operation in China
- Two papers related to the setup have been published in PEPAN Letters and JINST
- All tiles have already been tested
- The data analysis is in progress