

# **Детекторы триггерных систем экспериментов BM@N, SRC и MPD**

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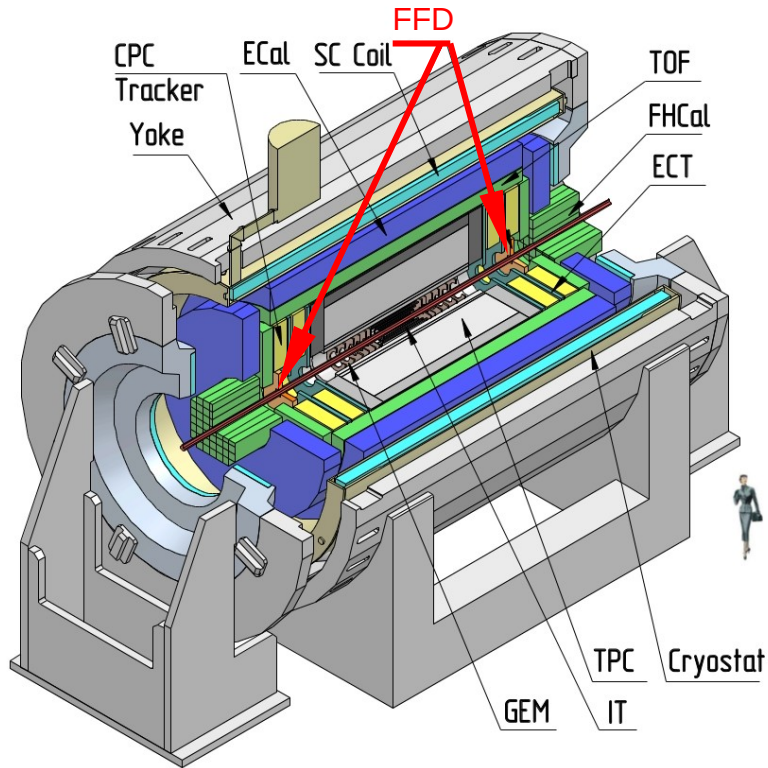
*(отчёт о научной деятельности за 5 лет)*

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***Presentation order:***

- 1) Fast Forward Detector of the MPD
- 2) Trigger detectors of BM@N
- 3) Trigger detectors of SRC at BM@N

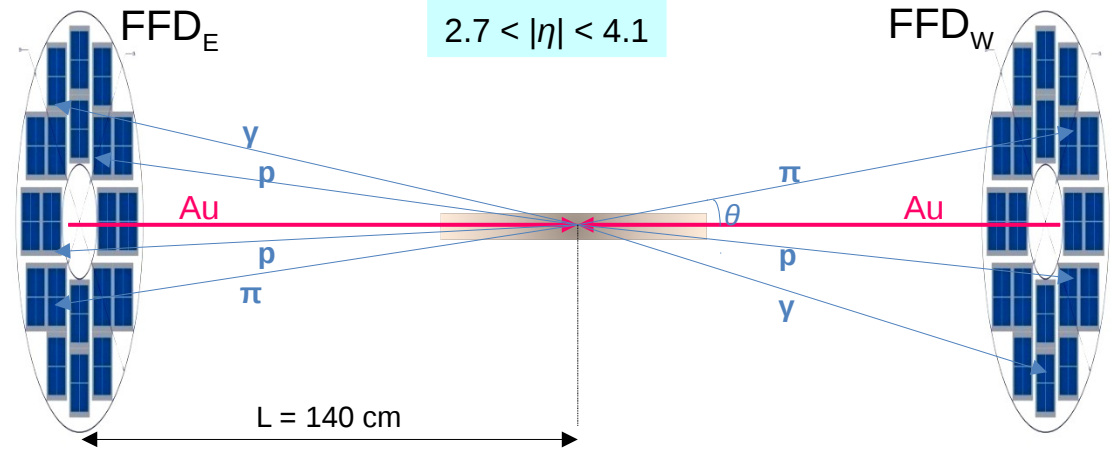
# FFD concept and requirements



FFD is one of the trigger subsystems.

FHCAL is also expected to be integrated in the trigger (slower but with larger acceptance).

TOF can also be considered.



## Fast interaction trigger & T0 detector for TOF

Trigger is based on coincidence of signals in two sub-detectors

$$t_E - t_W \Rightarrow \text{localization of interaction point } \Delta Z < 3 \text{ cm}$$

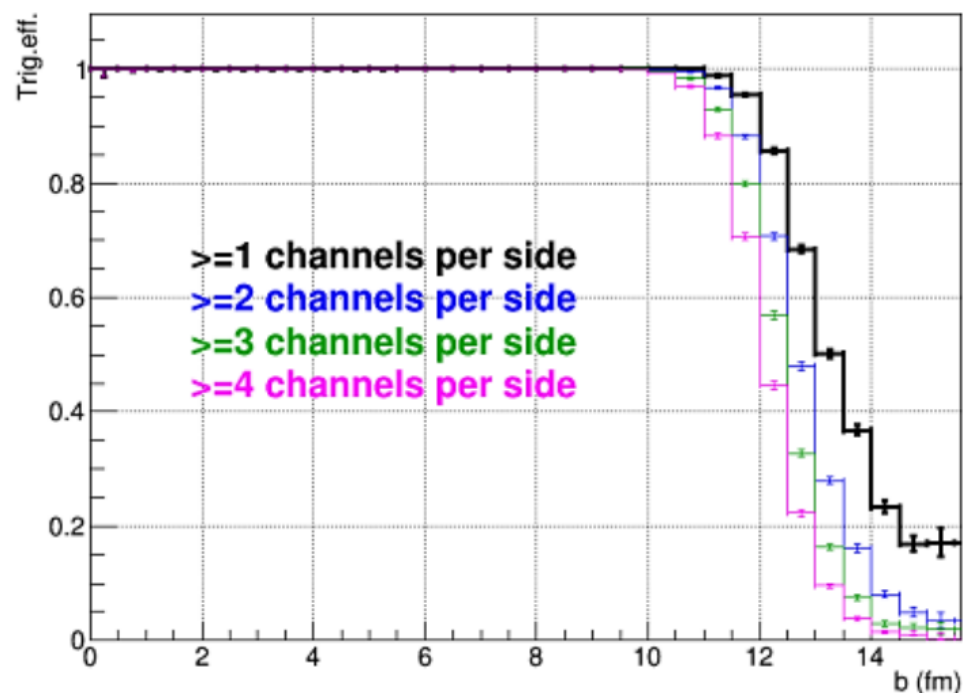
Condition on multiplicity of hits in each arm (80 cells in each arm)

Offline  $t_0$  time for TOF better than 50 ps

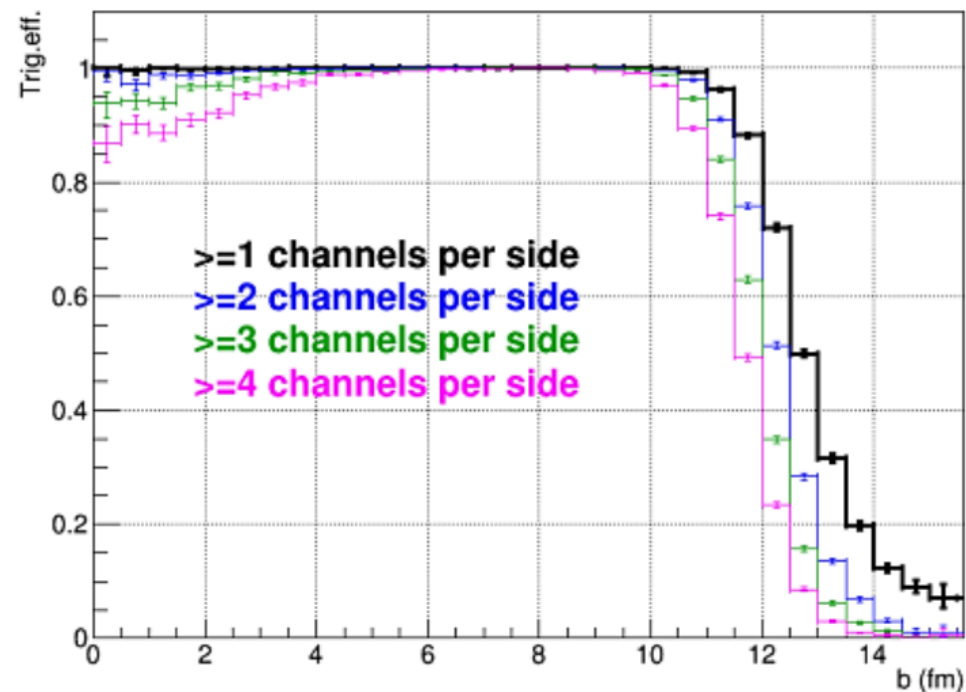
# Expected trigger efficiency

V.Riabov  
DCM-QGSM-SMM

Au + Au  $\sqrt{s} = 11$  GeV



Au + Au  $\sqrt{s} = 5$  GeV



- Efficiency is  $\sim 100\%$  in central and semi-central collisions
- “at least one-channel per side” is a preferred option for FFD triggering

More simulation results in:

Riabov V: Fixed target trigger efficiency,  
Light collision systems,  
Trigger mass productions,  
PHQMD trigger efficiency,

Cross-PWG 2023-02-22, 2023-05-30, 2023-11-28  
Cross-PWG 2023-07-25  
Cross-PWG 2023-06-24  
Cross-PWG 2022-09-06

Ivanishev D: Trigger studies in the collider mode, Cross-PWG 2023-08-22

***FFD team:***

Vladimir Yurevich – leader of the FFD project

Sergey Sergeev – electronics and Detector Control System

Viktor Rogov – electronics and cables

Pavel Grigoriev – electronics and software

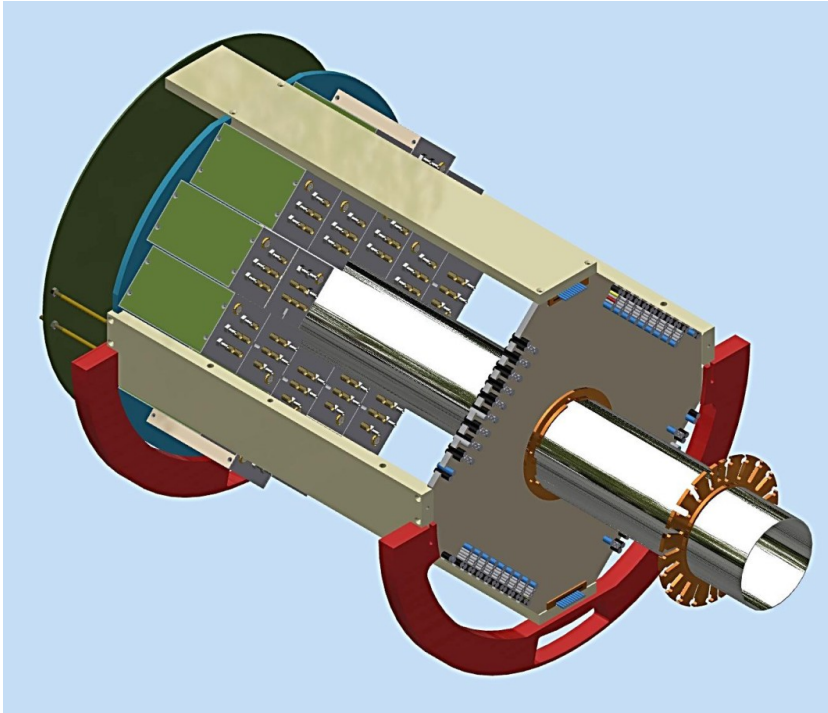
Vladimir Tikhomirov – mechanics and cooling

Vitaliy Azorskiy – mechanics

Aleksander Timoshenko – mechanics

Nikita Lashmanov – tests and study of the FFD performance,  
FFD implementation in MpdRoot

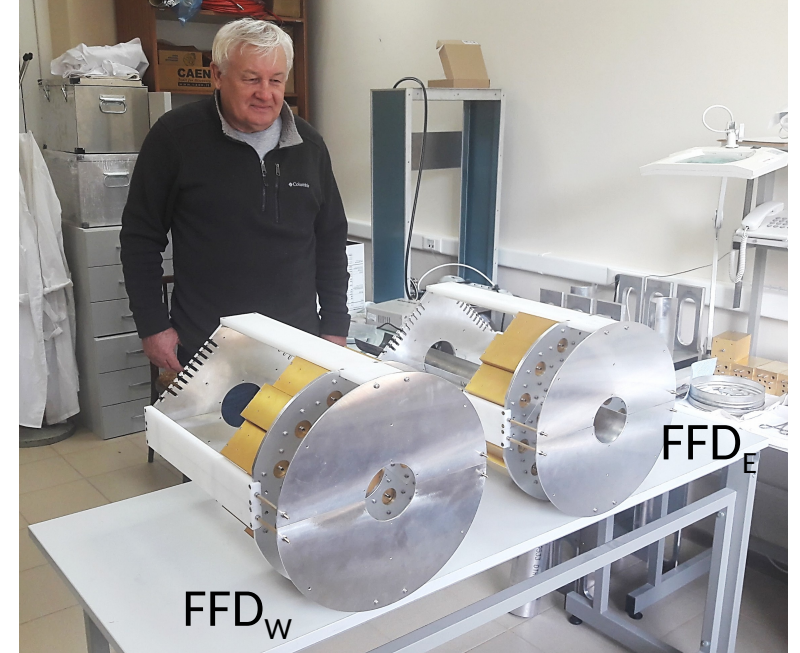
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Design of FFD sub-detector



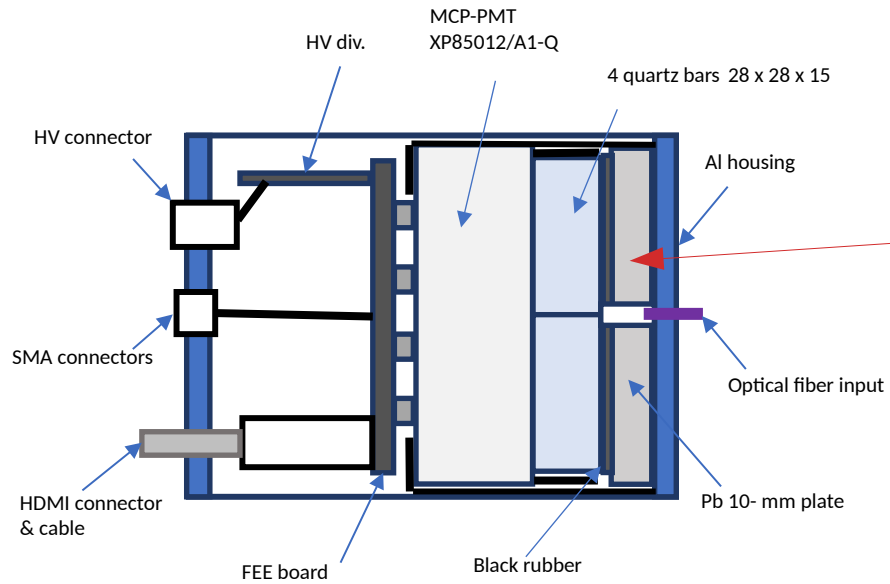
Tools for FFD installation



**Current status:** All mechanics is ready for installation in the MPD

# FFD Modules

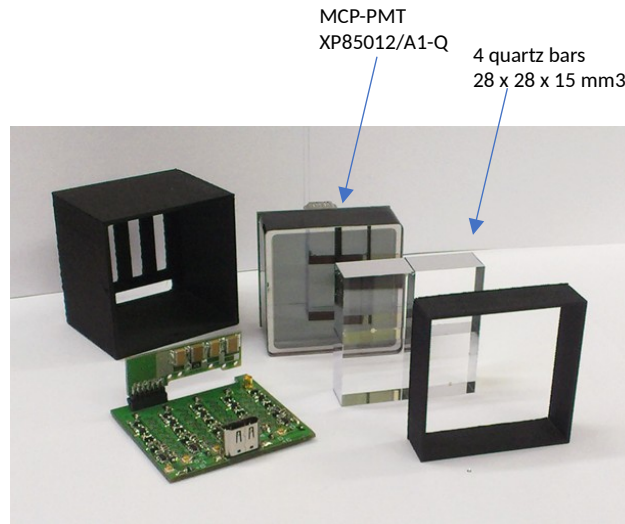
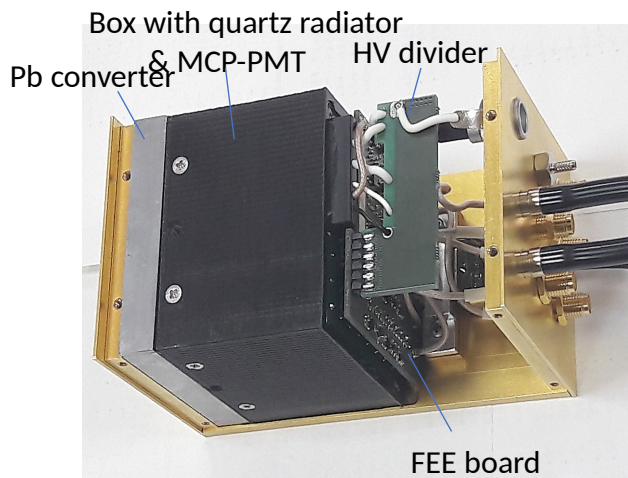
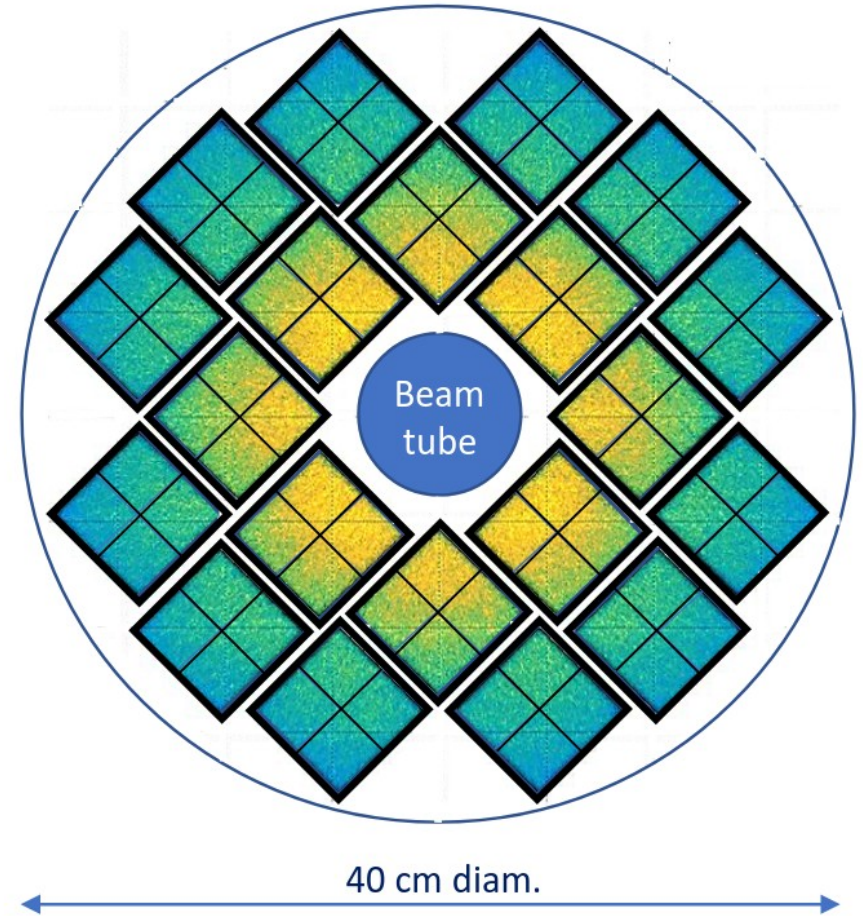
Viktor Rogov  
Vladimir Yurevich



10 mm Pb  
for  $\gamma$  conversion

Quartz 56 x 56 mm<sup>2</sup>  
Module 64 x 64 mm<sup>2</sup>  
Occupancy 76.6%

80 cells in 20 FFD modules

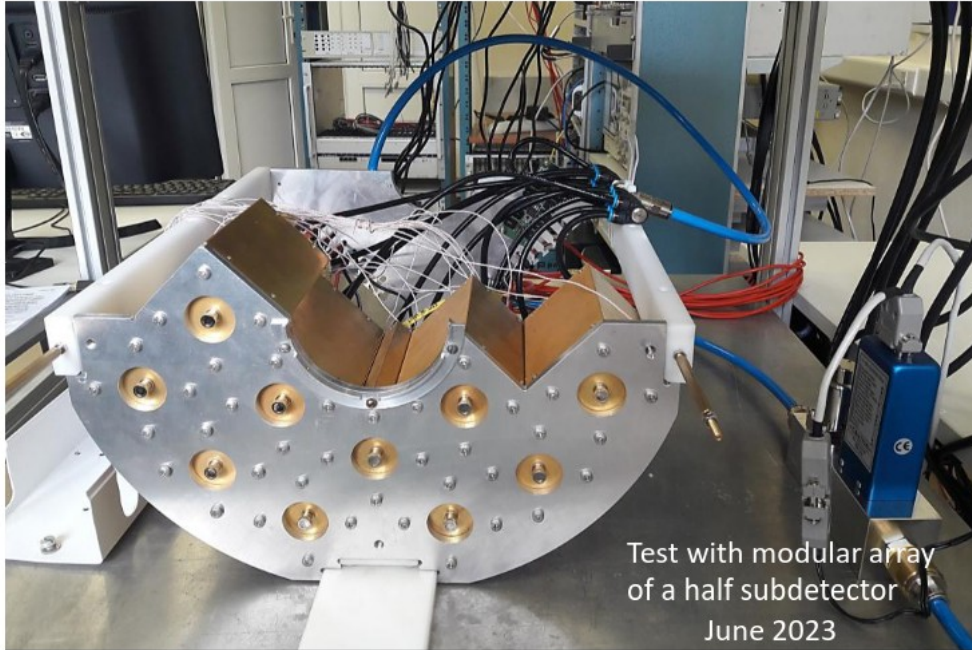


**Status:**  
All 2 x 20 FFD modules are produced

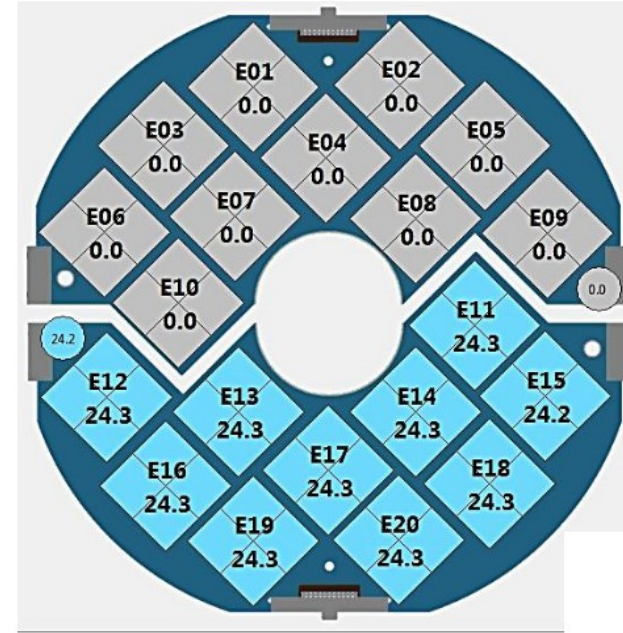
# FFD cooling system

## Interface for temperature monitoring

Vladimir Tikhomirov  
Sergey Sergeev



Test with modular array  
of a half subdetector  
June 2023

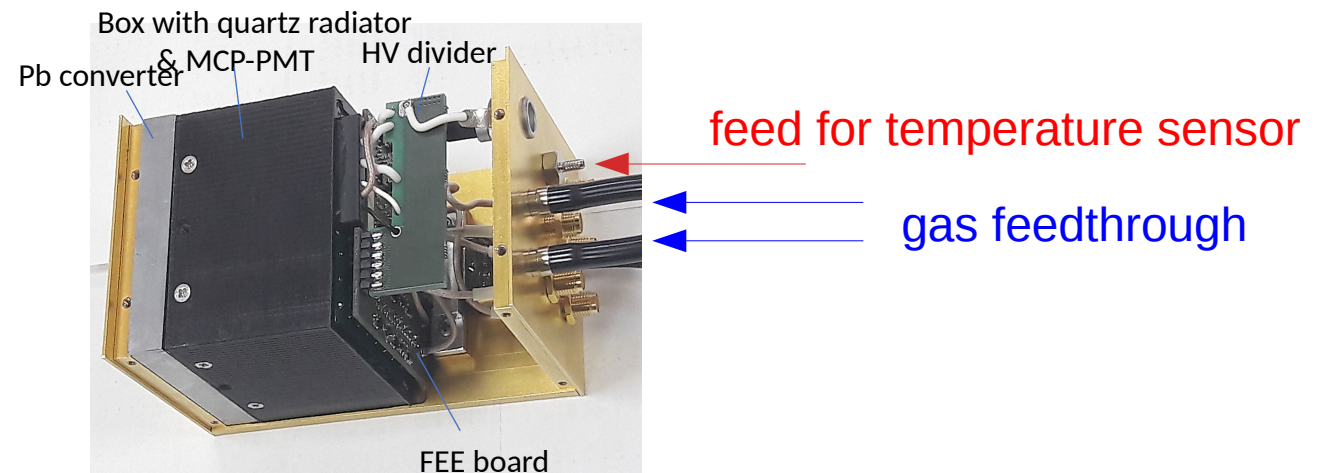


### Temperature inside modules

| No air flow | Air flow 40 l/min |
|-------------|-------------------|
| +8° C       | +4° C             |

*Air of room temperature was used in the tests*

*We expect that during MPD operation a flow of cool and dry air (nitrogen) will be used.*





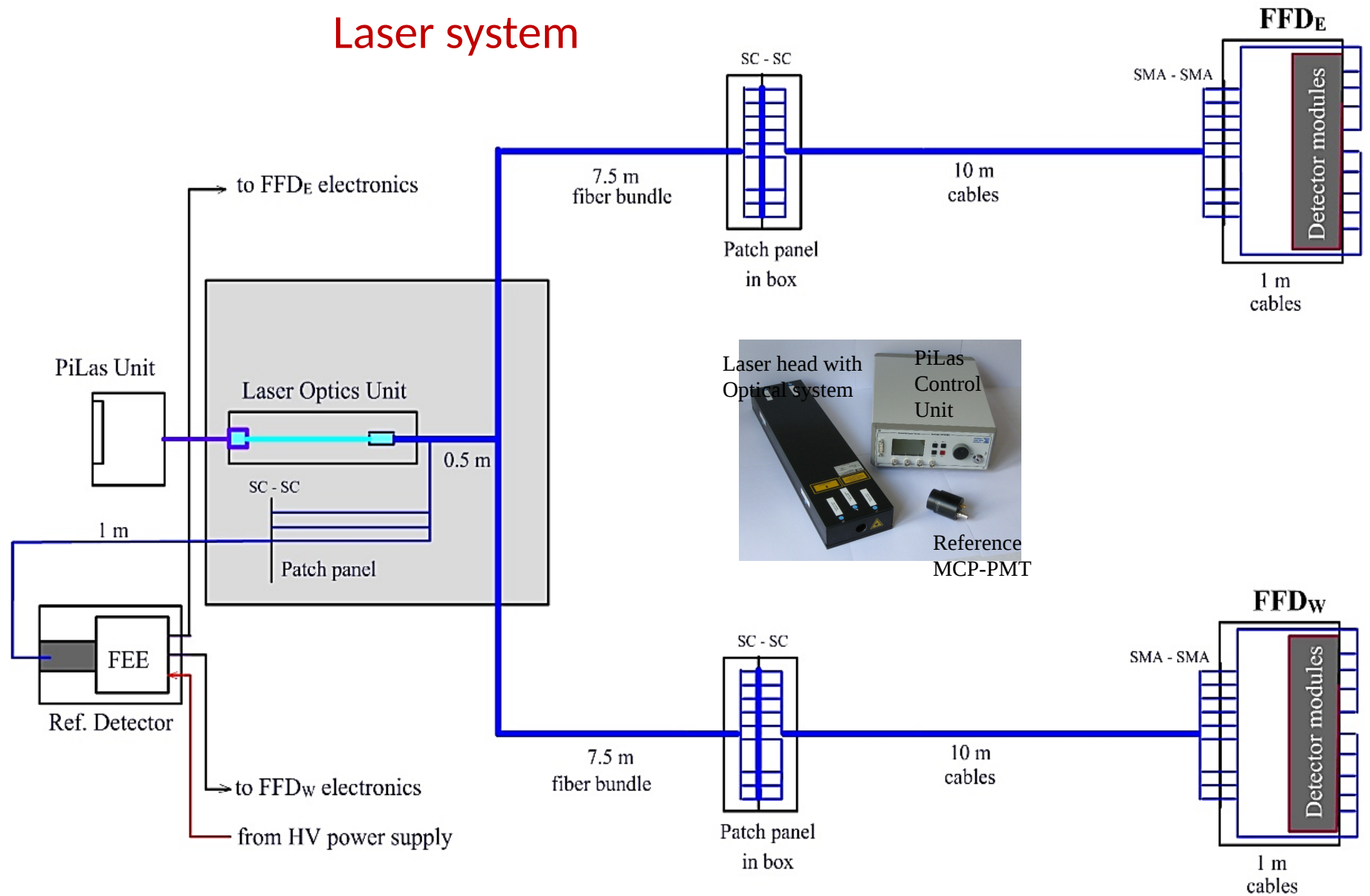
# Laser system

## Laser system components

PiLas laser, 407 nm,  
100Hz - 1MHz, FWHM  
26ps

Reference Detector  
MCP-PMT with <30 ps  
time resolution

- Fiber bundles  
7.5 m (2 x 60 fibers)
- Patch panels
- Set of optical cables  
10 m (2 x 20 pcs.)  
1.5 m (2 x 20 pcs.)

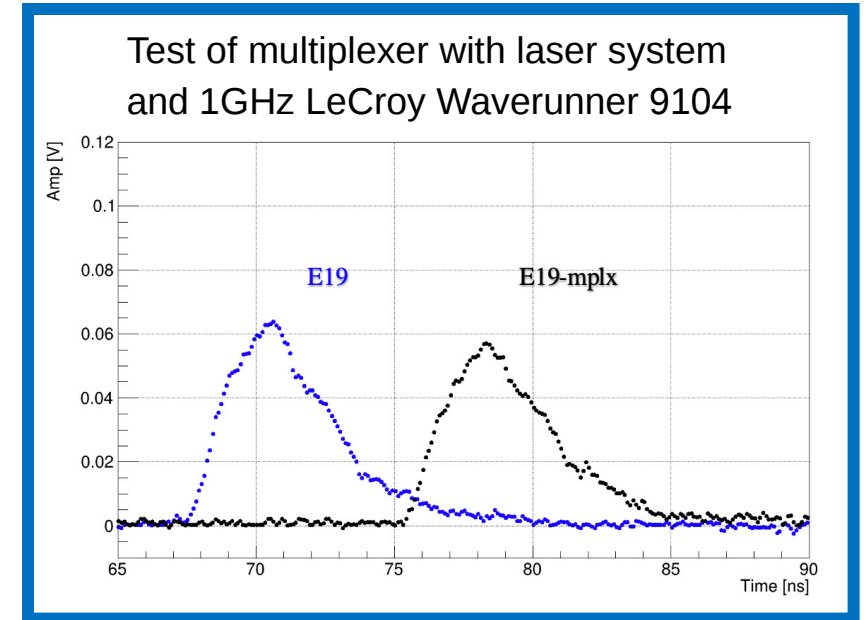
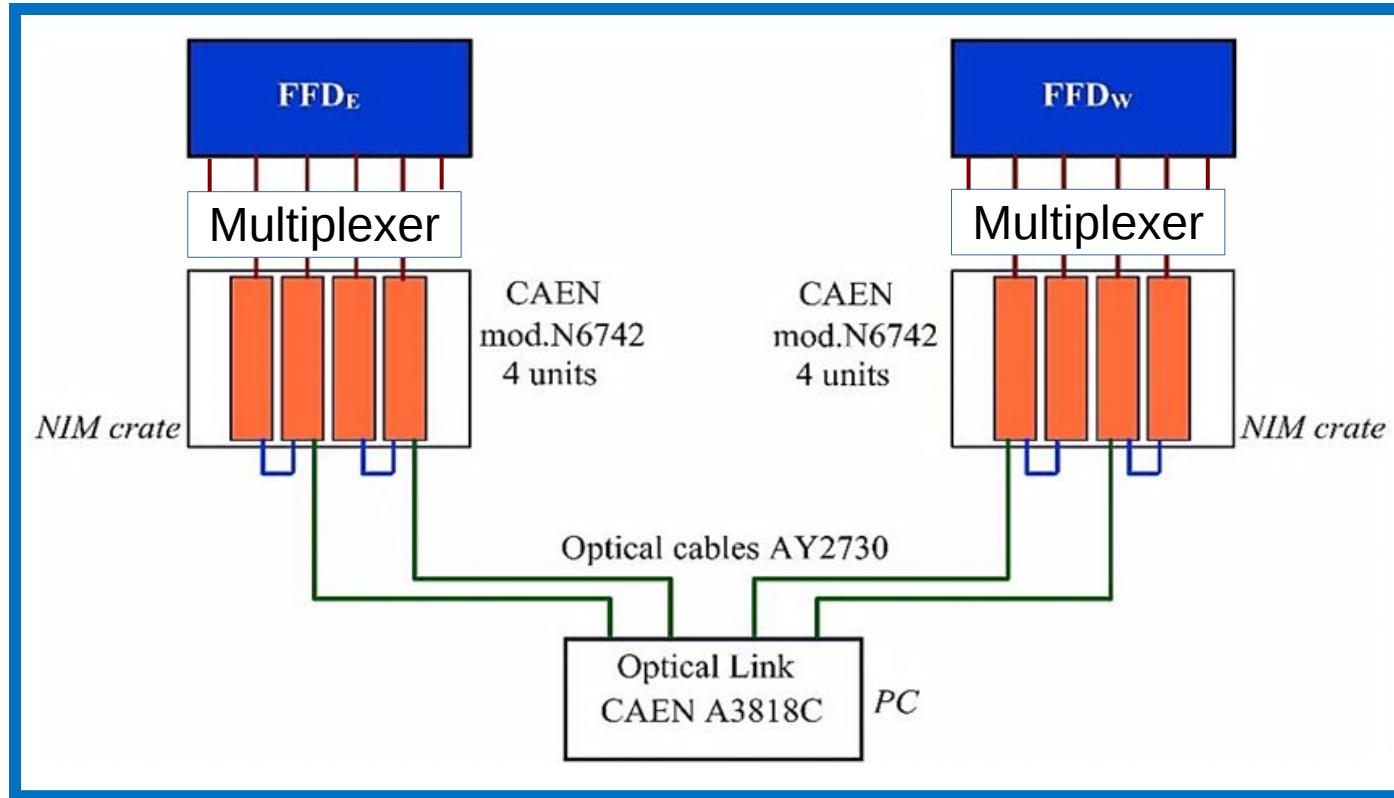


## Status:

all components available, checked  
and being used for testing modules and electronics

# Readout electronics for detector control and calibration

Sergey Sedykh  
Nikita Lashmanov

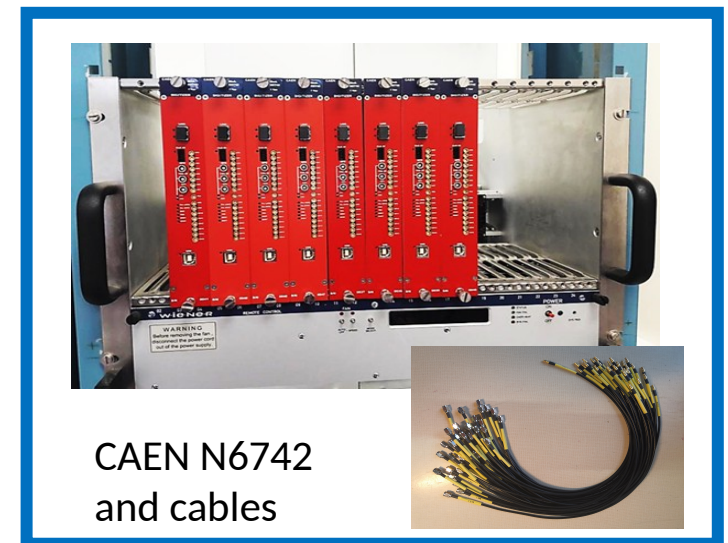


## Current status:

- all parts are available.
- multiplexers are tested

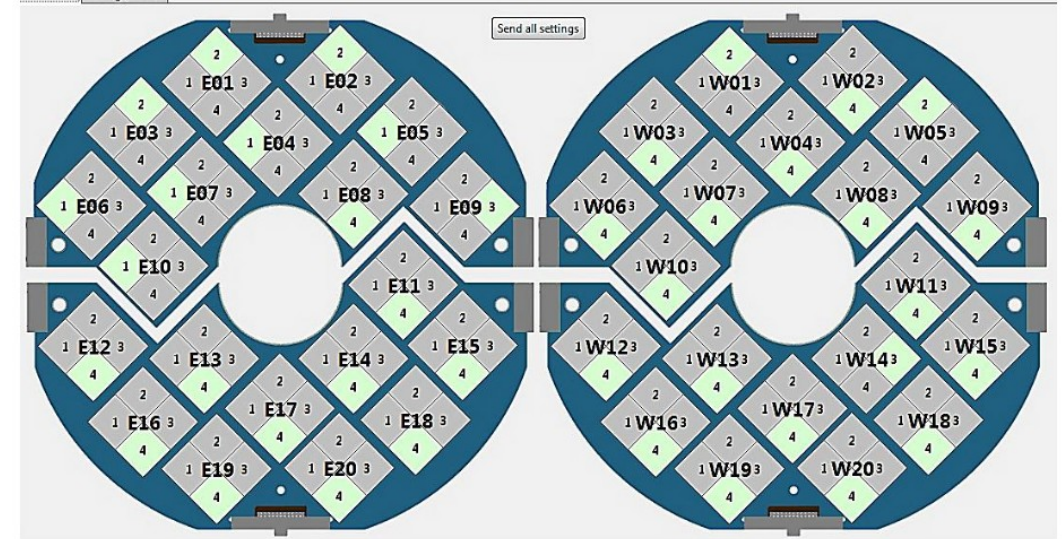
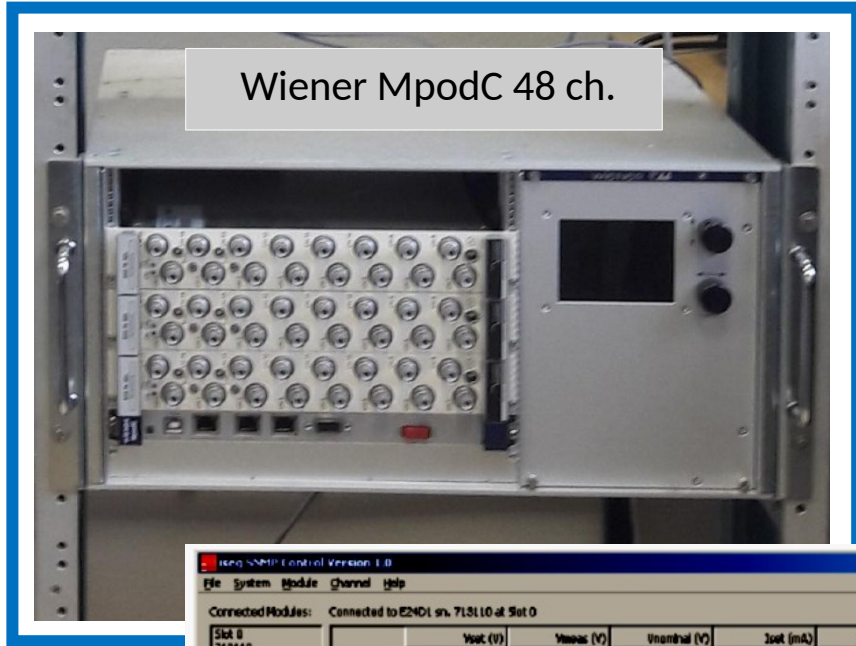
## Not ready:

- chain readout of several CAEN N6742
- customized interface



# High voltage system

Sergey Sergeev



High voltage interface

Wiener MpodC Control Version 1.0

File System Module Channel Help

Connected Modules: Connected to E2ND1 sn. 713110 at Slot 0

| Slot    | Channel    | Vout (V) | Vmax (V) | Vmin (V) | Iset (mA) | Imax (mA) | Imin (mA) | Status |
|---------|------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Slot 0  | Channel 0  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,445     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 1  | Channel 1  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,440     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 2  | Channel 2  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,441     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 3  | Channel 3  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,441     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 4  | Channel 4  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,444     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 5  | Channel 5  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,445     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 6  | Channel 6  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,440     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 7  | Channel 7  | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,442     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 8  | Channel 8  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,438     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 9  | Channel 9  | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,442     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 10 | Channel 10 | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,445     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 11 | Channel 11 | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,446     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 12 | Channel 12 | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,445     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 13 | Channel 13 | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,447     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 14 | Channel 14 | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,444     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 15 | Channel 15 | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,445     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 16 | Channel 16 | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,446     | 0,500     | On     |
| Slot 17 | Channel 17 | 2.500,0  | 2.499,9  | 2.500,0  | 0,500     | 0,443     | 0,500     | On     |

Serial Number: 713110    Module Type: E2ND1    Channel selected: Channel

Firmware Release: 5.03    Module Control: Channel Control

Voltage Ramp Speed: 1 %/s    Module Status: Channel Status

Current Ramp Speed: ----    Module Event Status: Channel Event Status

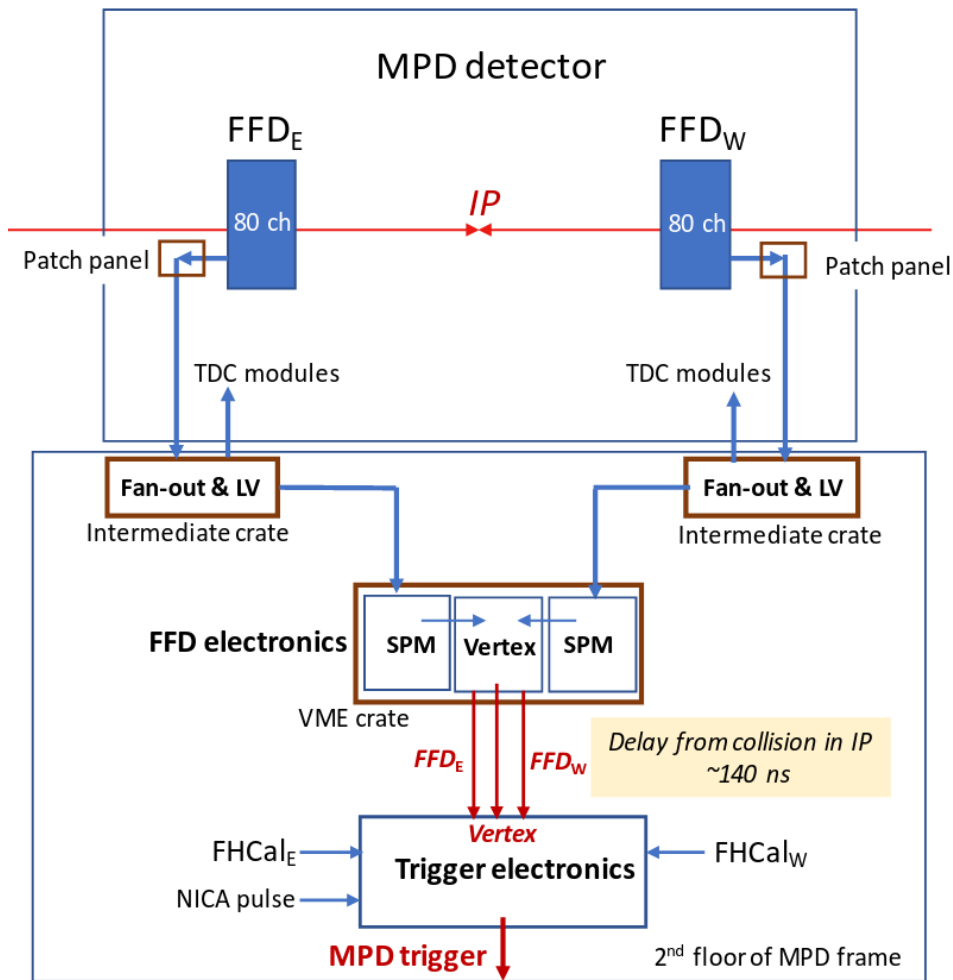
Firmware VME Decoder: 0.0 / 0.0    Module Event Mask: 0x0000    Channel Event Mask:

Connected to 192.168.16.225. Bus status: OK

**Current status:**  
ready for testing sets of modules

# Read-out and trigger electronics

Pavel Grigoriev  
Sergey Sergeev

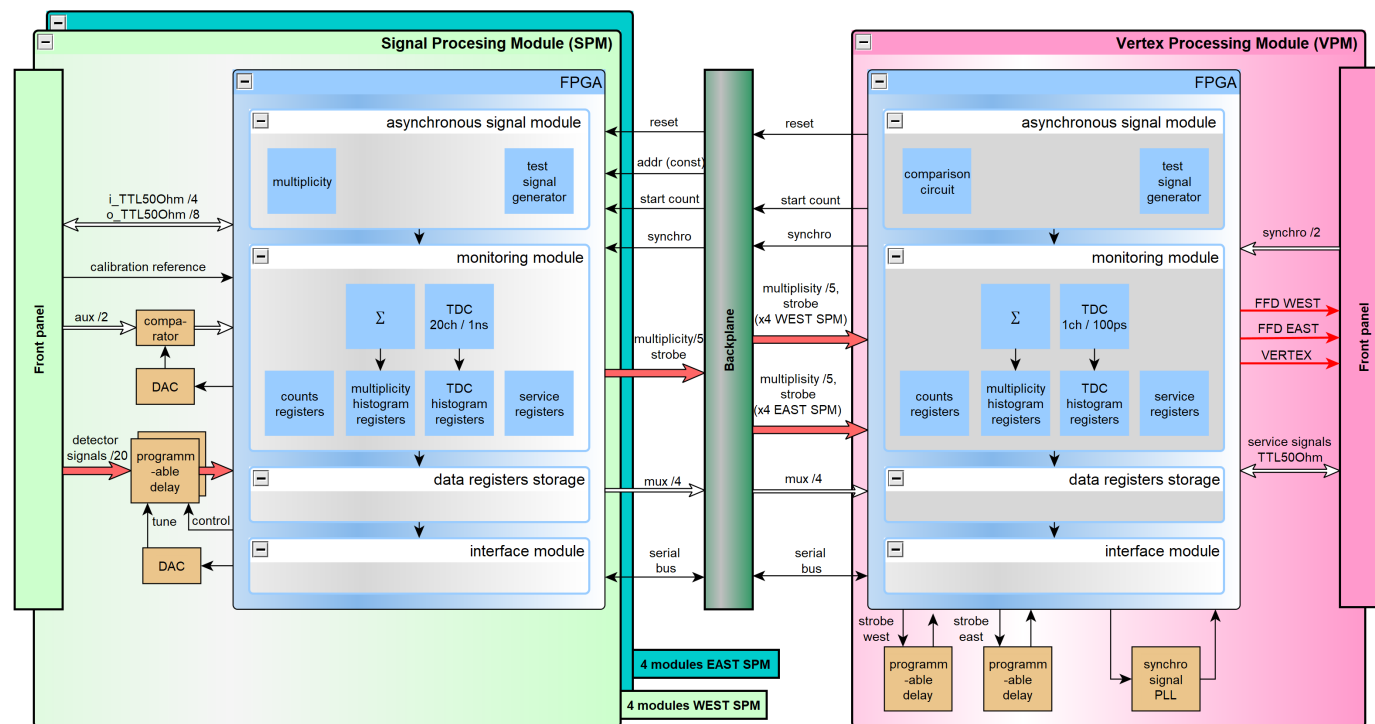


**TDC:** 10 modules TDC72VHL, ready (DAQ group)

**Fan-out & LV:** ready (Dec.2023 – Jan.2024)

**SPM (Signal Processing Module):** 2 out of 8 ready for testing

**VPM (Vertex Processing Module):** design finished, all parts available



# Tests with the laser system

Sergey Sedykh  
Nikita Lashmanov

**Uniformity of 2 x 60 splitting (11.2018)**  
within  $\pm 20\%$ : East 35/60, West 29/60

**Quadrants comparison and cross talk (12.2018)**  
small diagonal cross talk

**Uniformity of split within FFD module (07.2020)**

**Comparison of TDC channels (08.2020)**

**Jitter in BM@N trigger module fan-out (09.2020)**

**Different HDMI cables, type and length (10.2020)**

**Check of remade HDMI cables (12.2020)**

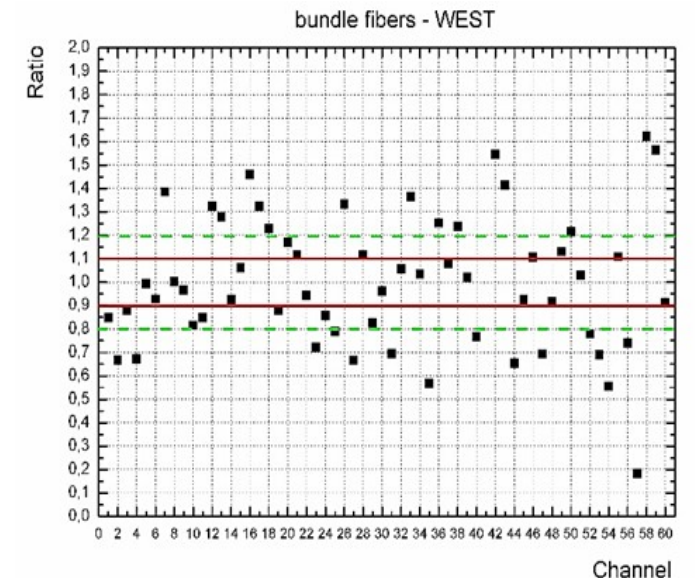
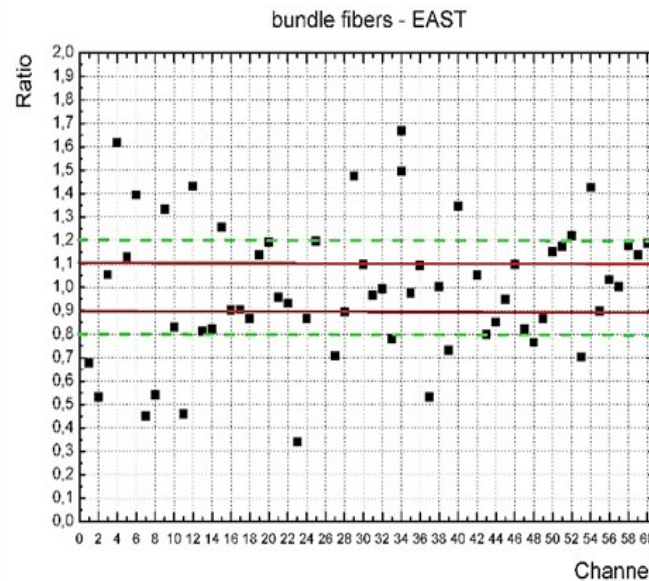
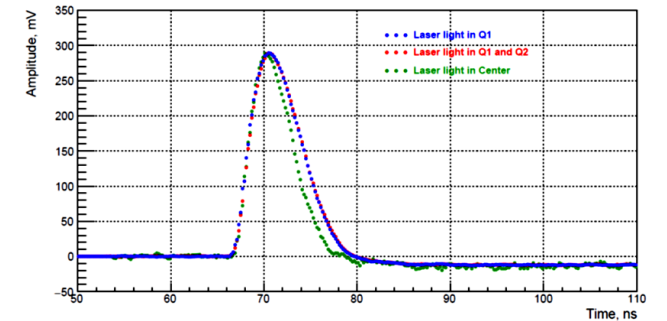
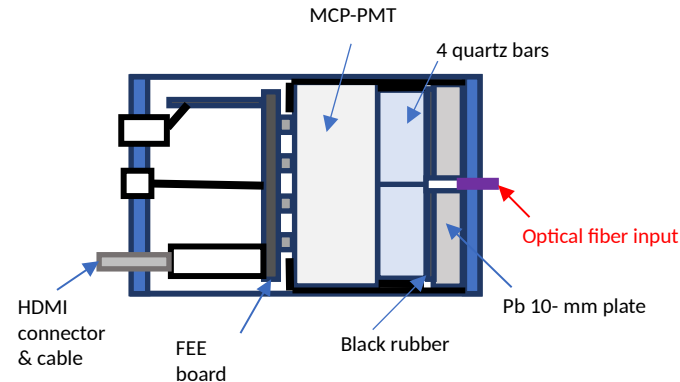
**Different FEE amplification (12.2020)**

**Test of all East modules (04.2021)**  
2 out of 20 had some faults

**Test of multiplexers (08.2021)**

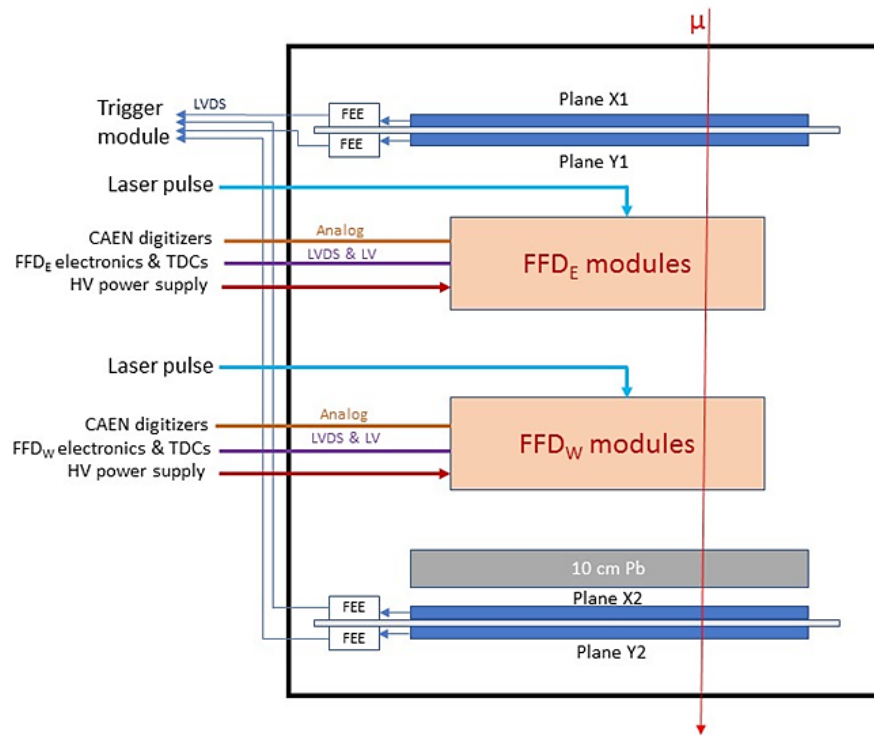
**Test of all West modules (10.2021)**  
2 out of 20 had some faults

*Plans for spring-summer 2024:*  
test FFD fan-outs, SPM, VPM



# Special stand for tests of FFD with cosmic muons

A special stand was created in 2018 for test measurements with the FFD modular arrays and all FFD sub-systems to study FFD operation and performance



A scheme of the stand for tests with cosmic muons



Production of the scintillation planes

Each scintillation plane has dimensions  $50 \times 50 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$  and consists of 10 strips. Crossing of the strips of X- and Y- planes on the top and bottom of the stand provides information about direction of incoming cosmic muons. The scintillation light is detected with two SiPMs placed on the strip's ends.

## The stand sub-systems:

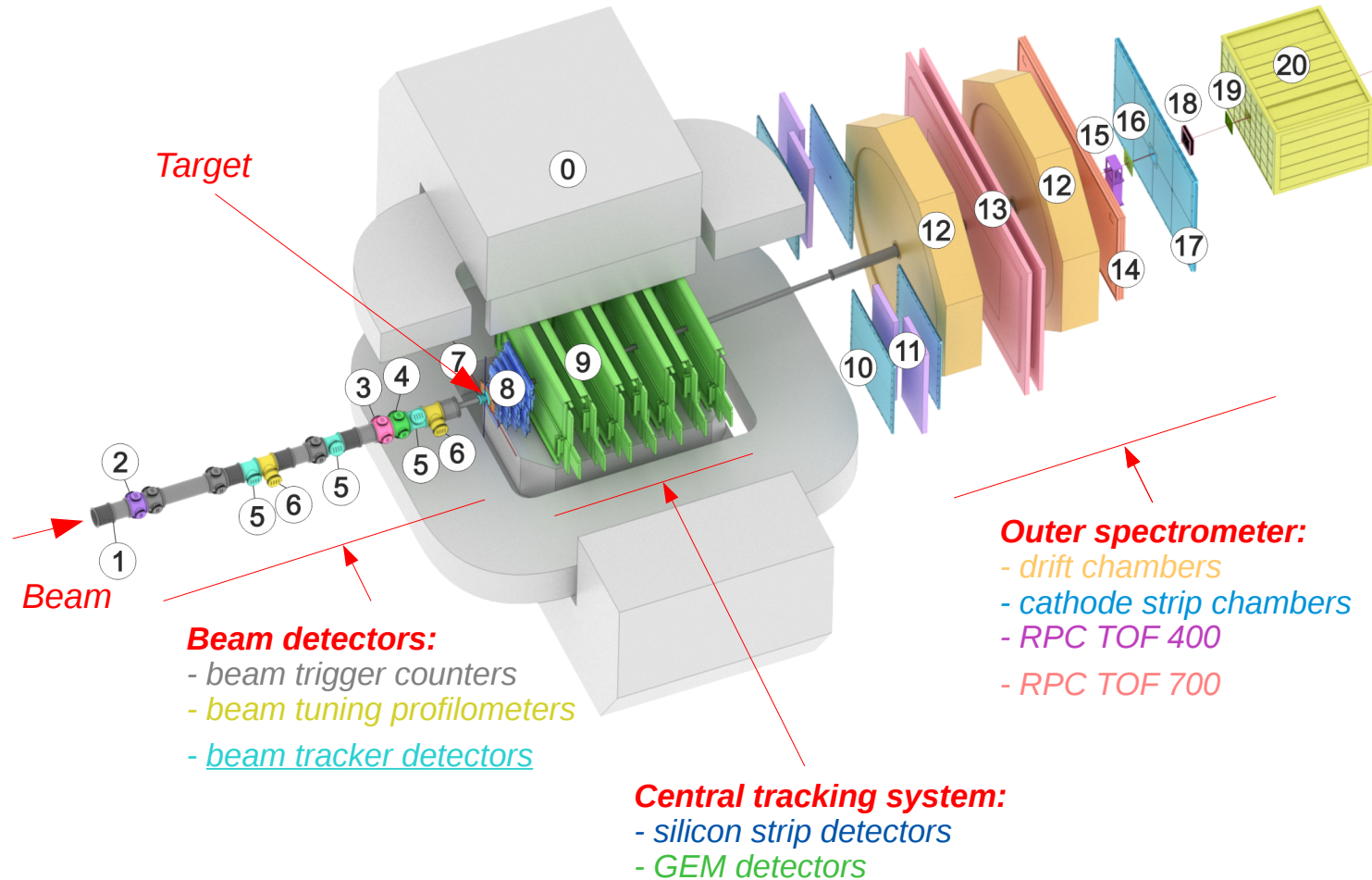
- Four scintillation planes with electronics
- Trigger module (FPGA Altera Cyclon V)
- HV crate
- readout electronics (TDC72VHL)
- readout electronics (digitizers CAEN mod.N6742)
- Laser system
- Control system

## Planned Tests for 2024

- Combined time resolution by group of modules
- Laser vs Cosmic muons pulse height
- Test of readout and trigger electronics
- Long-term test (need temperature control)
- Cable and fibers lay-out is non-trivial

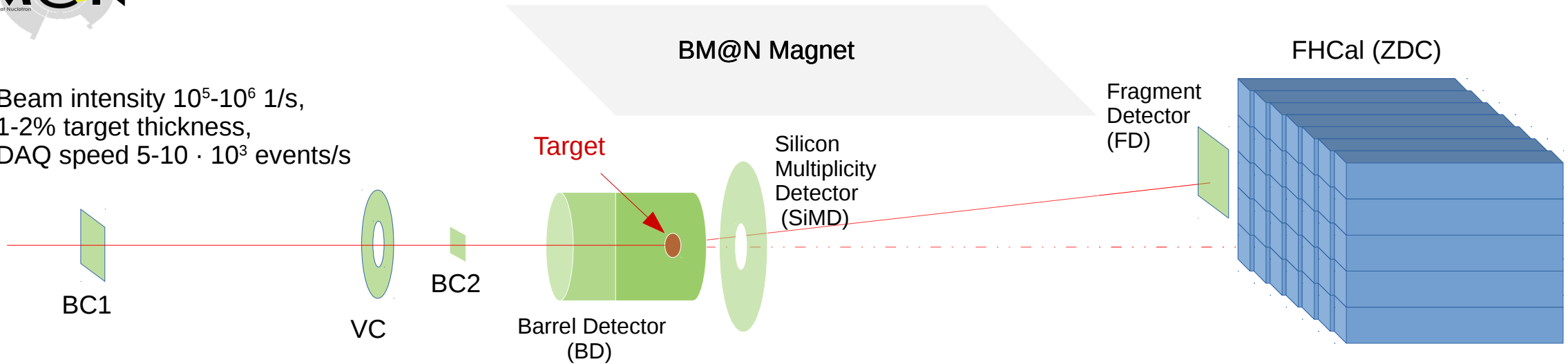
# Configuration of BM@N detector in $^{124}\text{Xe}$ run (Jan. 2023)

- Magnet SP-41 (0)
- Vacuum Beam Pipe (1)
- ▨ BC1, VC, BC2 (2-4)
- ▨ SiBT, SiProf (5, 6)
- ▨ Triggers: BD + SiMD (7)
- ▨ FSD, GEM (8, 9)
- ▨ CSC 1x1 m<sup>2</sup> (10)
- ▨ TOF 400 (11)
- ▨ DCH (12)
- ▨ TOF 700 (13)
- ▨ ScWall (14)
- ▨ FD (15)
- ▨ Small GEM (16)
- ▨ CSC 2x1.5 m<sup>2</sup> (17)
- ▨ Beam Profilometer (18)
- ▨ FQH (19)
- ▨ FHCal (20)



# Trigger signals (used or considered)

Beam intensity  $10^5$ - $10^6$  1/s,  
1-2% target thickness,  
DAQ speed  $5$ - $10 \cdot 10^3$  events/s

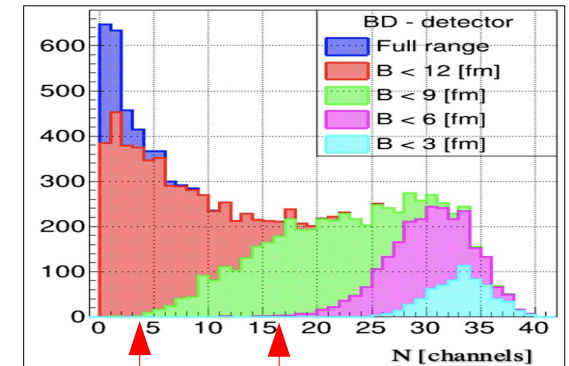


| Trigger type                 | Trigger logic                      |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Beam Trigger (BT)            | $BT = BC1 * VC_{veto} * BC2$       |
| No Interaction Trigger (NIT) | $NIT = BT * FD$                    |
| Min. Bias Trigger (MBT)      | $MBT = BT * FD_{veto}$             |
| Centrality Trigger 1 (CCT1)  | $CCT1 = BT * BD(>n1) * SiMD(>m1)$  |
| Centrality Trigger 2 (CCT2)  | $CCT2 = MBT * BD(>n2) * SiMD(>m2)$ |

Two threshold levels were prepared in trigger logic for multiplicity detectors, one was sufficient.

Adding SiMD in the trigger was tested but not used during data taking in Xe run.

In addition, energy deposition in FHCAL modules (all or only the neutron part) was also considered as potential trigger signals; data were collected for evaluation.



BD > n1

BD > n2



# Beam pipe and detectors upstream of the target

Kubankin A.  
and Belgorod team

Piyadin S. and Co.



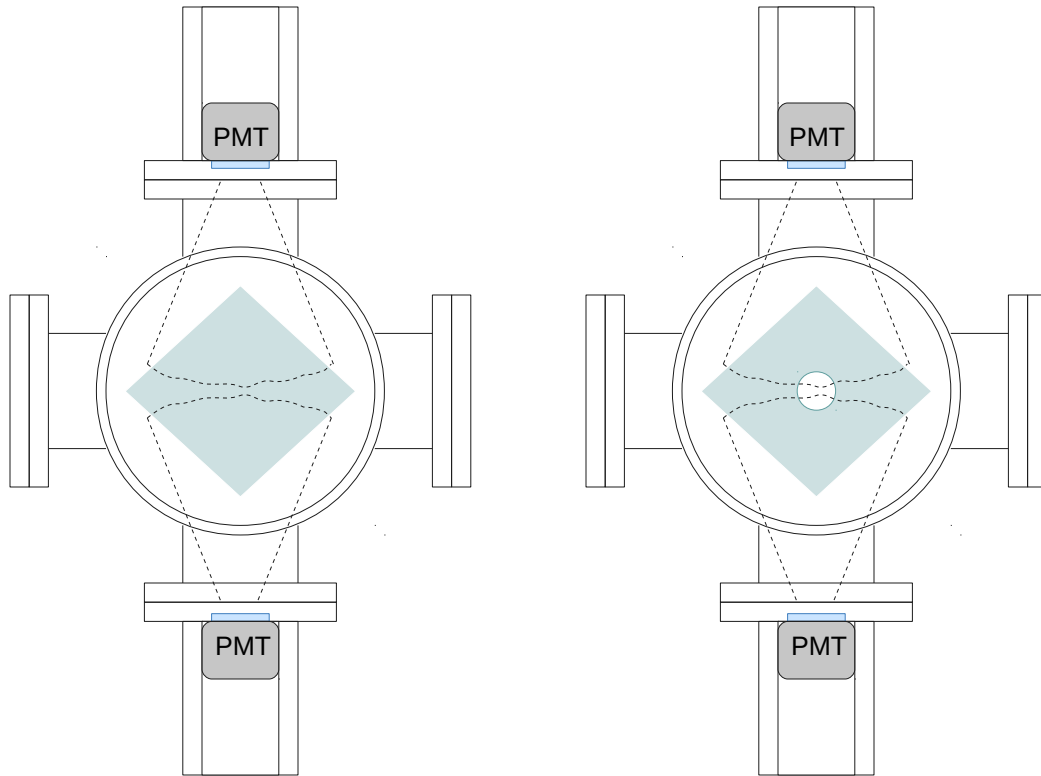
BC1

Trigger electronics

VC, BC2



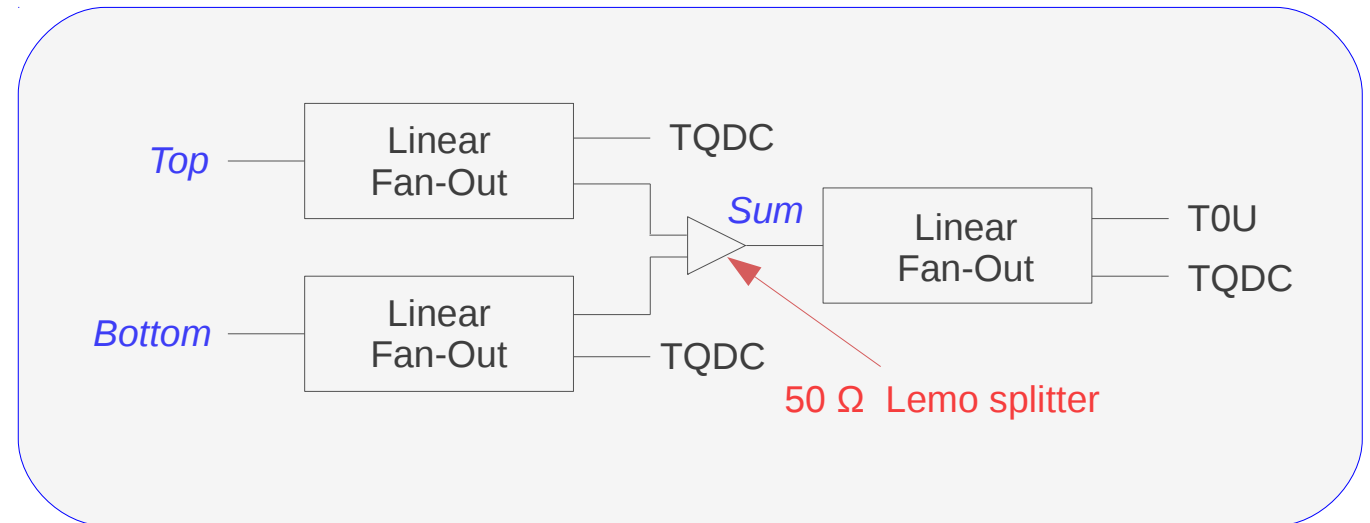
# Design and read-out of BC1, VC



*Vacuum components made by the Belgorod group*

| Detector | PMT                | Radiator                                           |
|----------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| BC1      | Hamamatsu R2490-07 | Scint. BC400B<br>100 x 100 x 0.25 mm <sup>3</sup>  |
| VC       | Hamamatsu R2490-07 | Scint.<br>113 x 113 x 4 mm <sup>3</sup><br>Ø 25 mm |

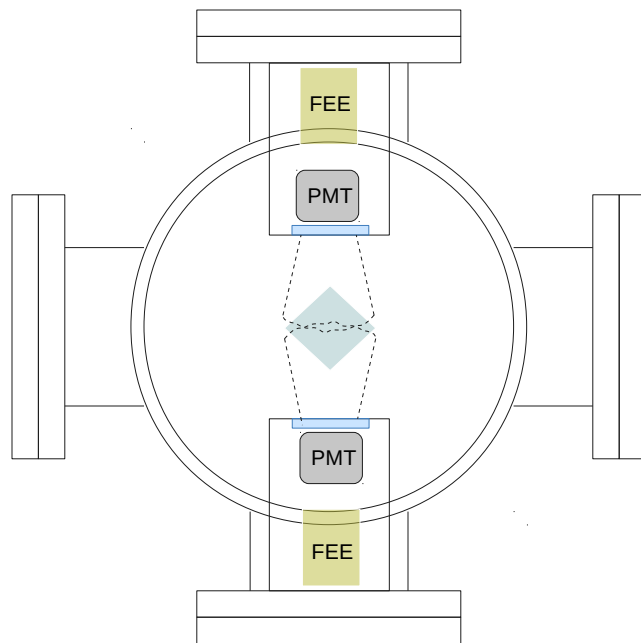
“Air”-lightguides from Al-mylar



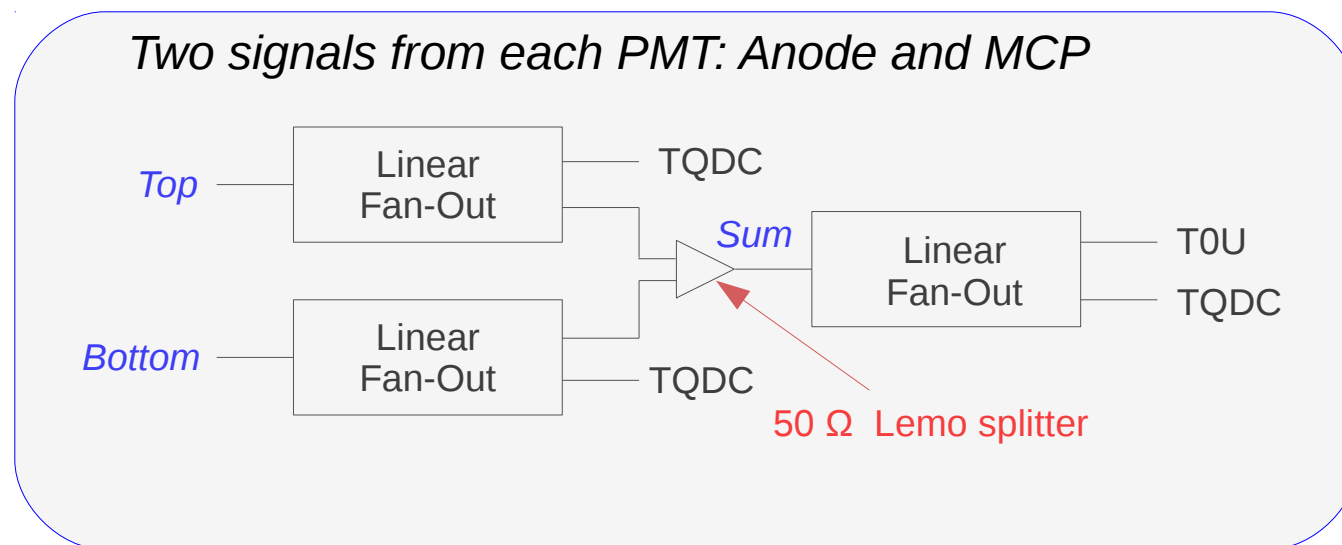
## Design and read-out of BC2

| Detector | PMT                                                   | Radiator                                           |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| BC2      | Photonis<br>XPM85112/A1 Q400<br>25x25 mm <sup>2</sup> | Scint. BC400B<br>34 x 34 x 0.15<br>mm <sup>3</sup> |

“Air”-lightguides from Al-mylar

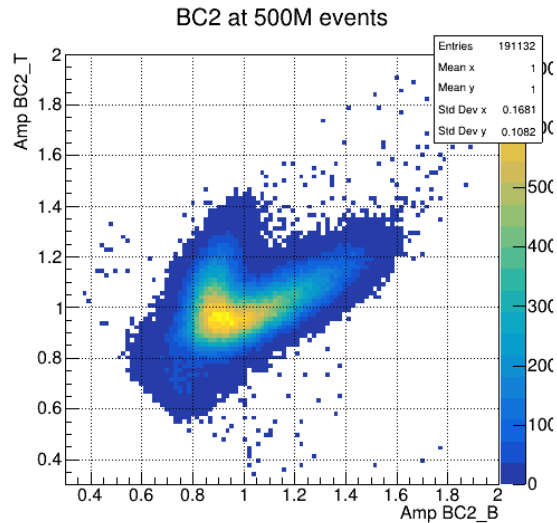
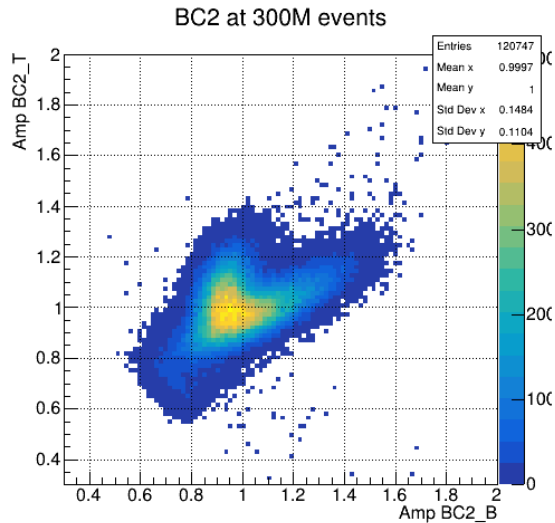
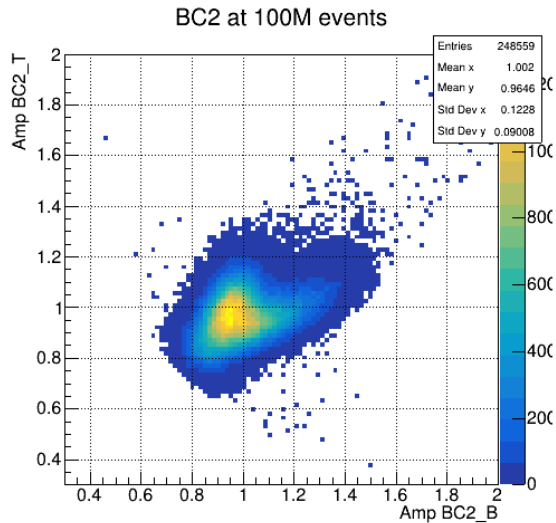
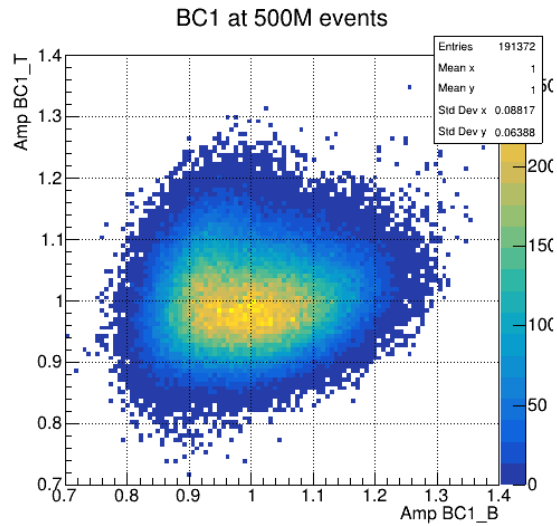
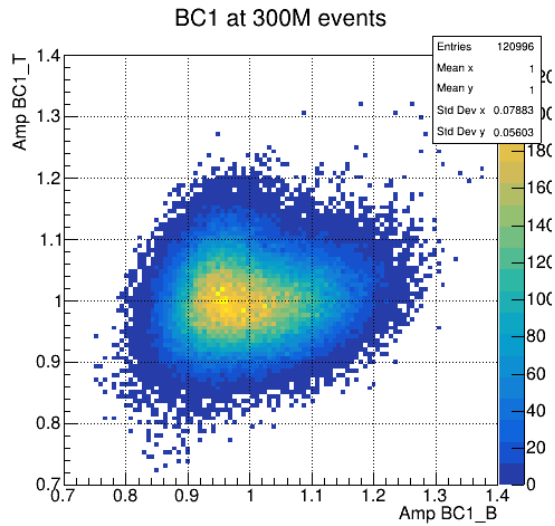
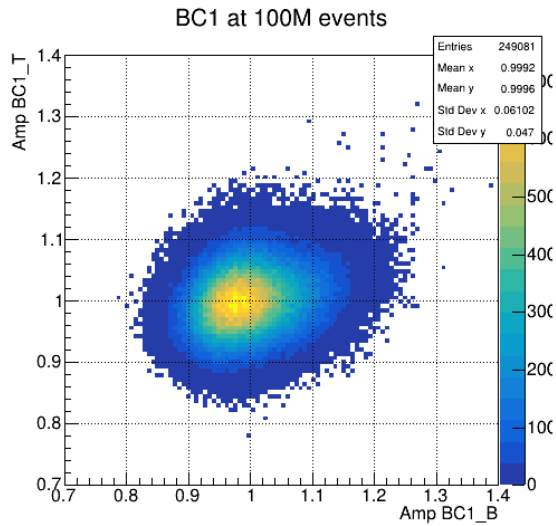


*Vacuum components  
made by the Belgorod group*



Additional read-out of LVDS signals from FEE into TDC72VHL.  
Both, TQDC and TDC provide high resolution timing.

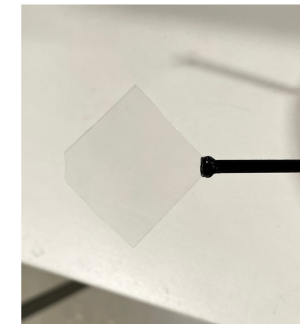
# Indication of radiation damage in BC1 and BC2



More pronounced in BC2

Might require scintillator change during the run

Cherenkov prototypes are hard to test without heavy ion beams

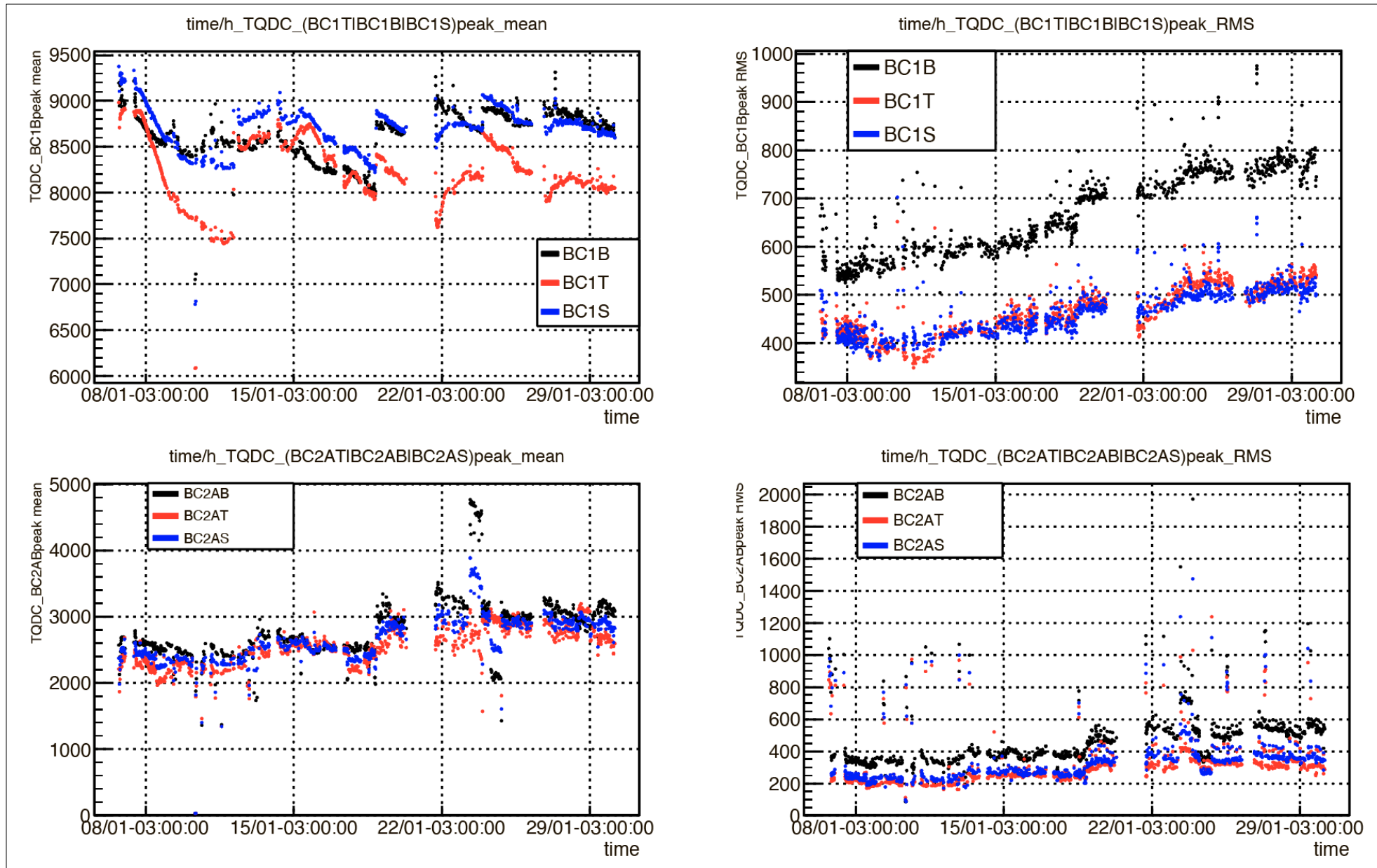


No visible loss in transparency of the BC2 scintillator. Study is planned by the LPI RAS group

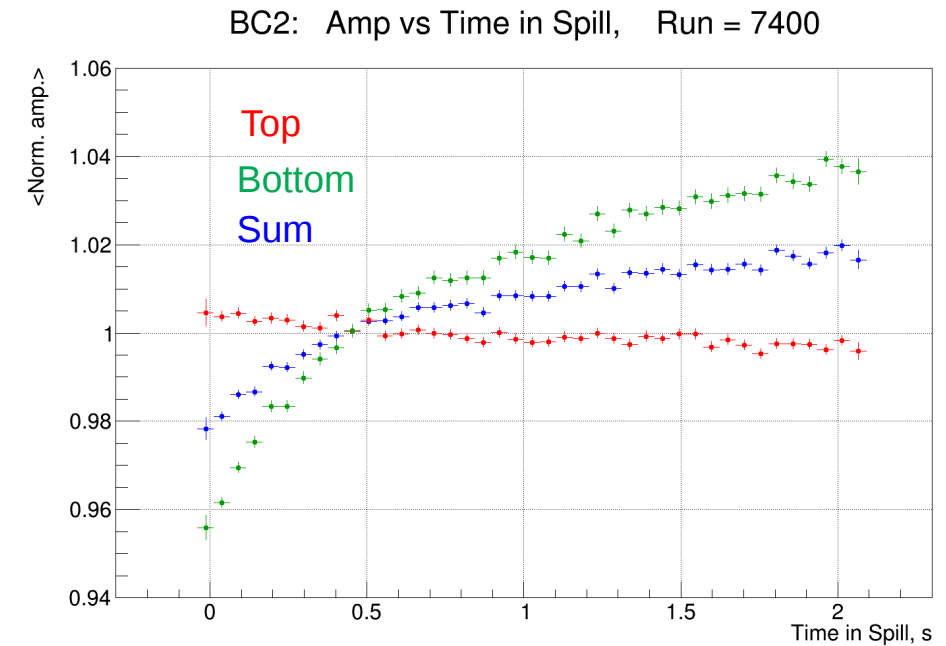
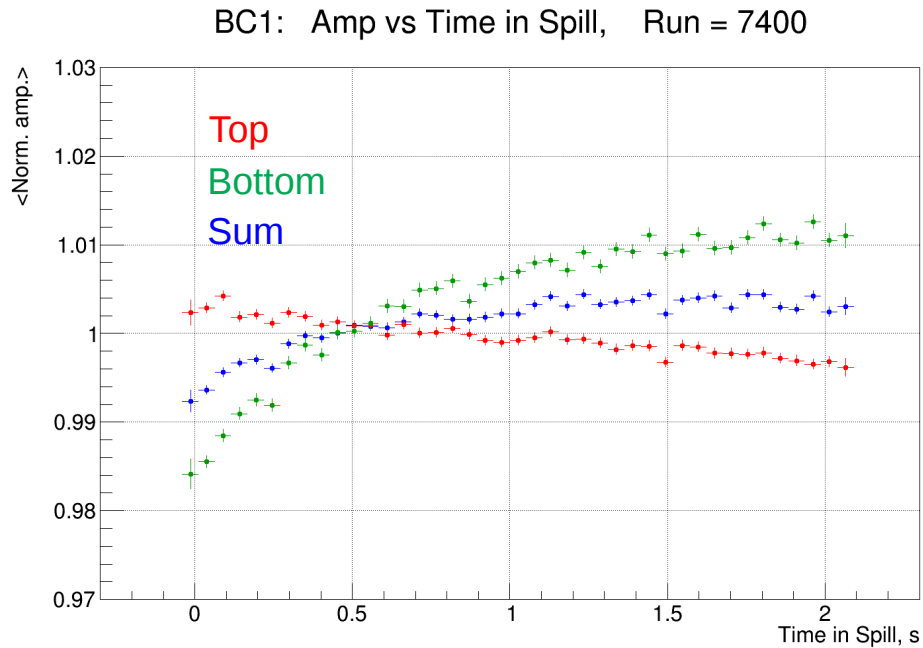
# Monitoring of BC stability during the run (some increase in HV was needed)

Oleg Golosov  
MEPhI-group

Trigger detectors  
online monitoring  
*I. Gabdrakhmanov*



# BC1 and BC2: Amplitude stability in spill. Offline resolution



- stable at 2-4 % level
- can be sensitive to (X,Y) beam movement during spill
- next step is to add Beam Tracker into analysis

## Offline amplitude resolution

| Detector | $\sigma$ (%) |
|----------|--------------|
| BC1      | 4.8          |
| BC2      | 7.1          |

*Good resolution of BTr3 is very important for offline rejection of upstream interactions*

## Time resolution of BC1 and BC2

$$\Delta t_{ij} = t_i - t_j$$

$$\sigma_{ij}^2 = \sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2$$

*i,j: BC1, BC2, FD1*

| Detectors       | $\sigma_{ij}$ , ps |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| BC1 - BC2       | 57                 |
| BC1 - FD1       | 61                 |
| BC2 - FD1       | 58                 |
|                 |                    |
| (BC1&BC2) - FD1 | 52                 |

Measured with additional FD1 counter, placed behind the FHCaI hole. FD1 is similar to BC1 in design, PMTs and scintillator (prepared by V.Velichkov).

Each of BC1 and BC2 have  $\leq 45$  ps resolution. Combined, they can provide  $\leq 30$  ps resolution.

Resolution of BC2 is good enough, but poorer than expected for this type of PMT.

| Detectors | $\sigma_i$ , ps |
|-----------|-----------------|
| BC1       | 43              |
| BC2       | 38              |
| FD1       | 44              |
|           |                 |
| (BC1&BC2) | 28.2            |
|           | 28.5            |

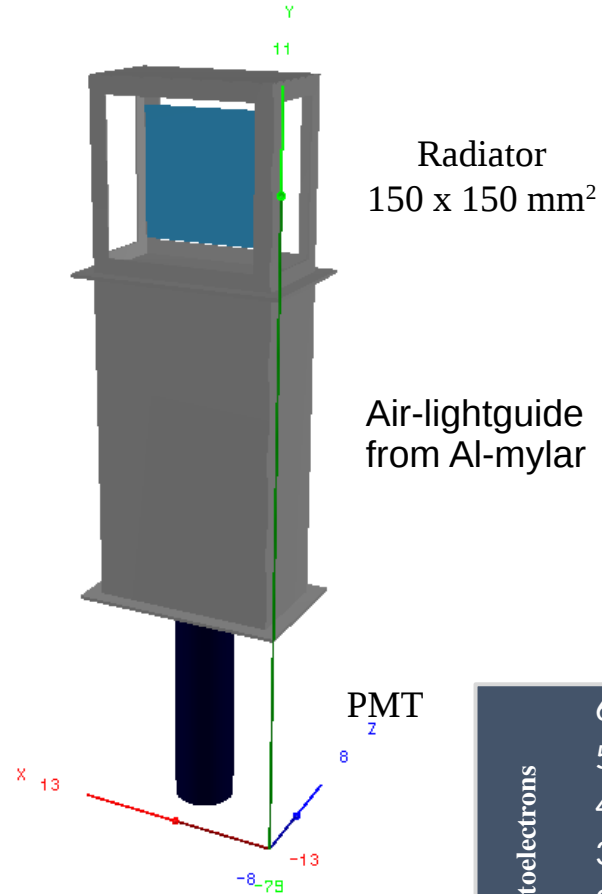




# FD design and response

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| PMT      | Radiator      | $\sigma/A$ (%)                          |
|----------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|
| XP2020   | Scint. 0.5 mm | 6.0                                     |
| XP2020   | Quartz 1 mm   | 17.0                                    |
| XP2020/Q | Quartz 1 mm   | 11.7                                    |
| R2490-07 | Scint. 0.5 mm | 9.1 $\rightarrow$ 6.7 $\rightarrow$ 5.3 |



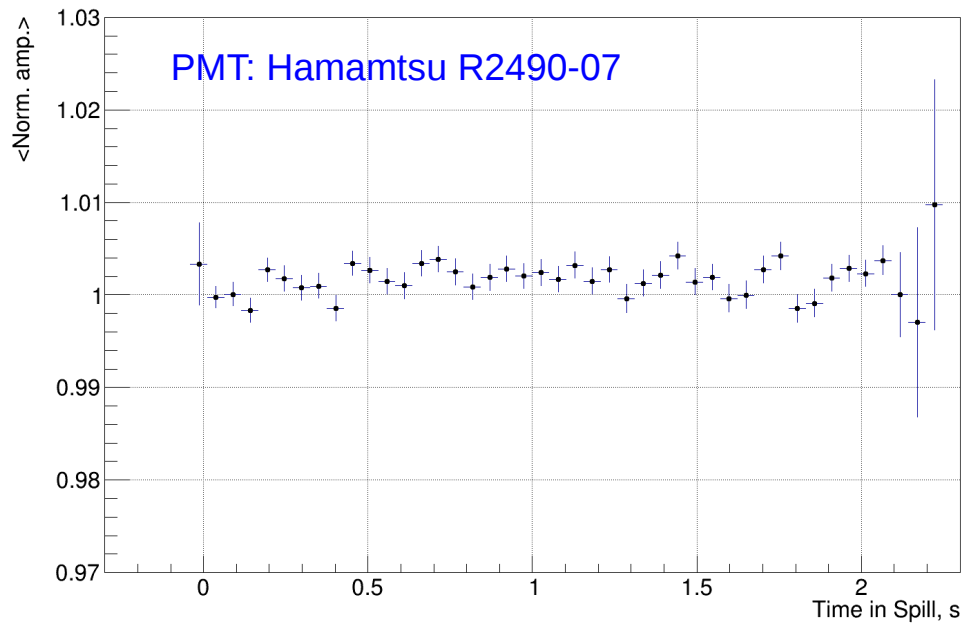
Non-stable base for XP2020 at the beginning of the spill

Significantly better resolution with scintillator radiator

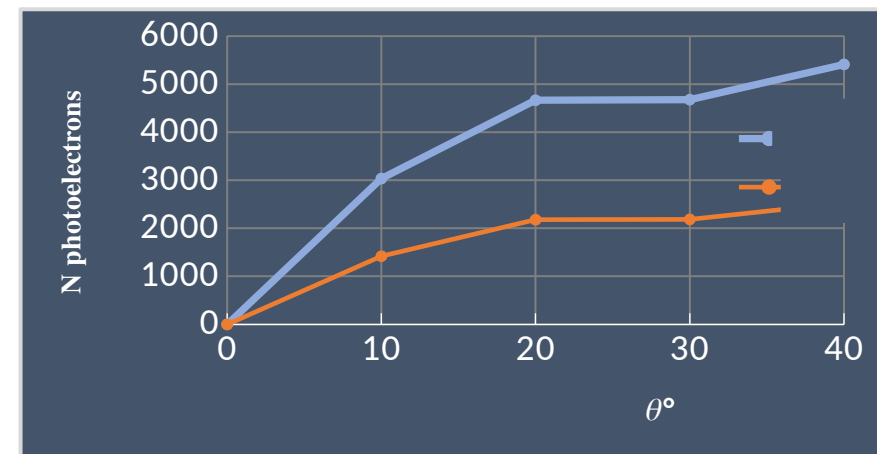
Less than expected photoelectron statistics with the quartz radiator

Quartz hodoscope has 2% resolution (FHCAL group) and will be used in offline analysis

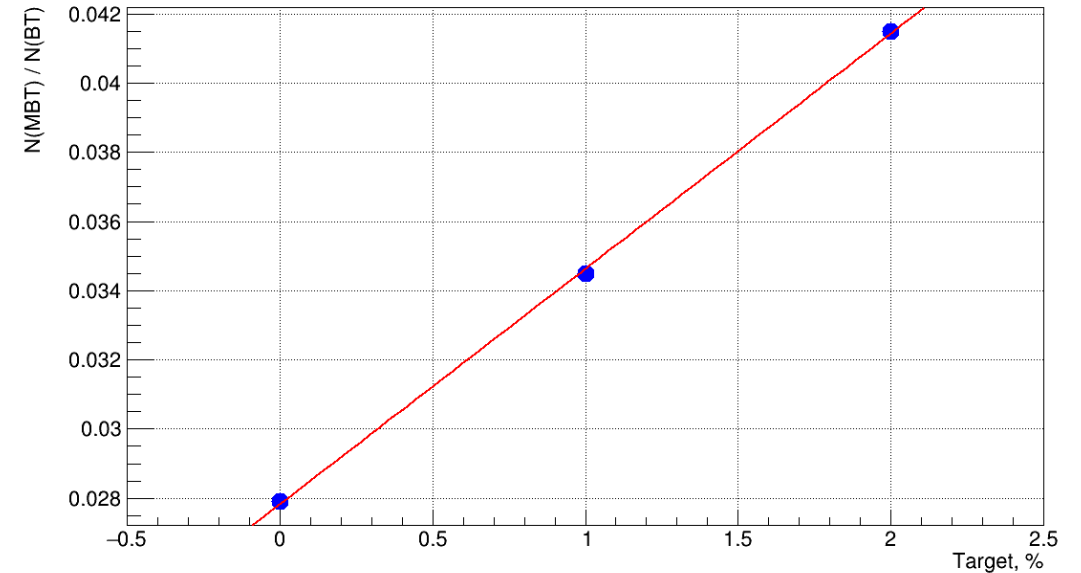
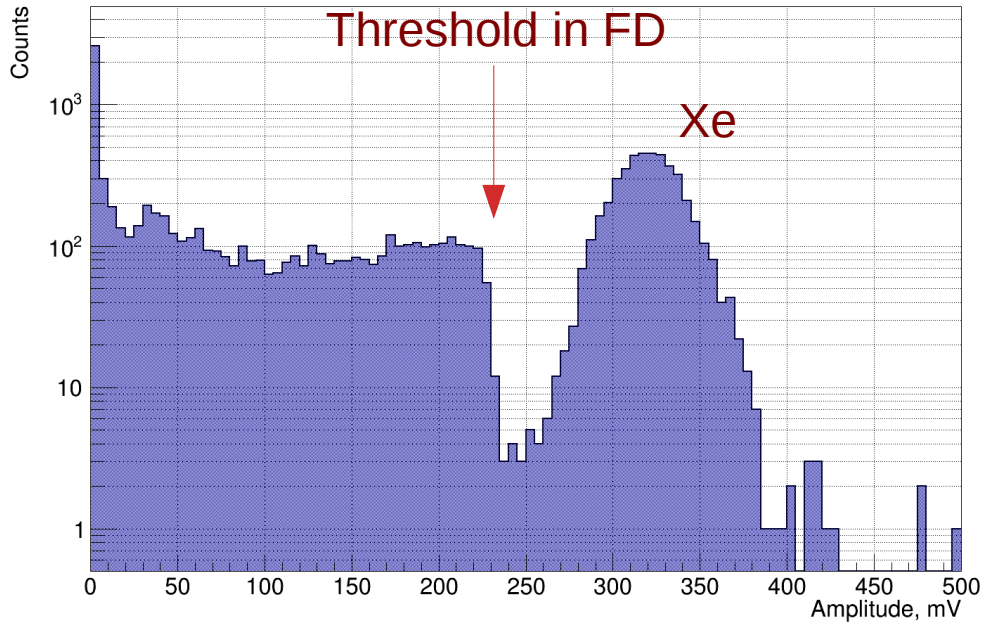
FD: Amp vs Time in Spill, Run = 7426



Simulation (N.Lashmanov)



# Minimum Bias Trigger ( $MBT = BT \cdot FD_{\text{veto}}$ )

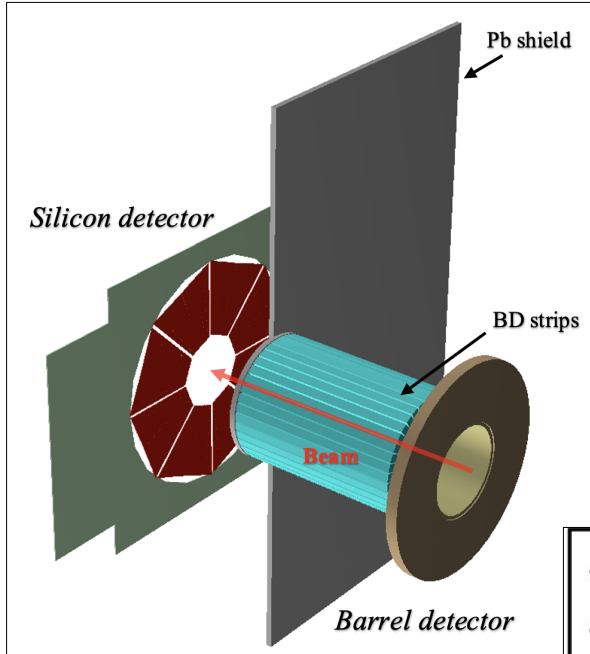


Even with conservatively low threshold in FD amplitude, typical ratio of  $N(MBT) / N(BT)$  for 2% target was  $\sim 0.04$ , i.e. with significant background

Good linearity with Empty, 1%, 2% targets;  $N(MBT) / N(BT)$  for “empty target”  $\sim 0.028$

| Material             | Thickness, mm | Interaction probability %          |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Si BeamTracker       | 0.175         | 0.30                               |
| Ti vacuum window     | 0.08          | 0.17                               |
| FD, black tape, etc. | 0.5           | 0.94                               |
| Air                  | 150           | 0.21                               |
| FD, scint.           | $\sim 0.1$    | $\sim 0.2$                         |
| BC2, scint.+Mylar    | $\sim 0.04$   | $\sim 0.1$                         |
|                      |               | <b>Total <math>\sim 1.9</math></b> |

# Response of Barrel Detector and trigger CCT1 = BT • (BD ≥ n)

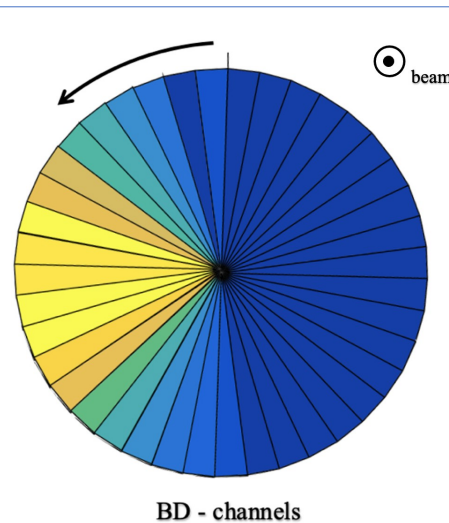
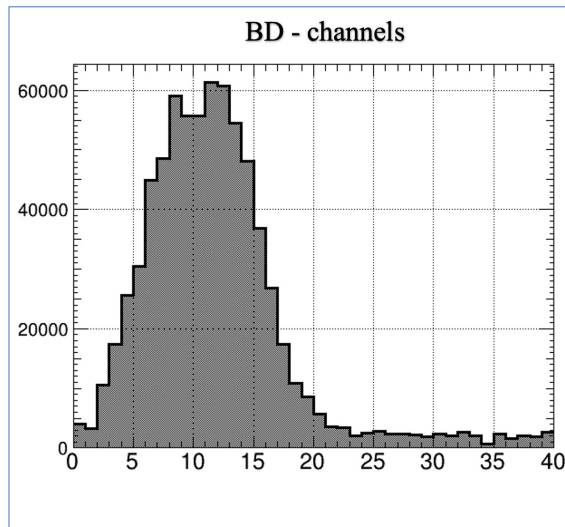
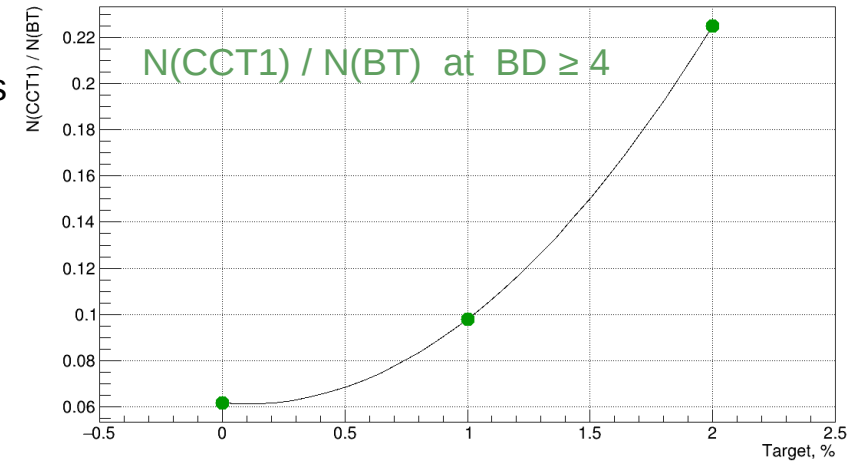


Even with added Pb-shielding, the background from  $\delta$ -electrons is significant and larger, than predicted by Geant4 simulations

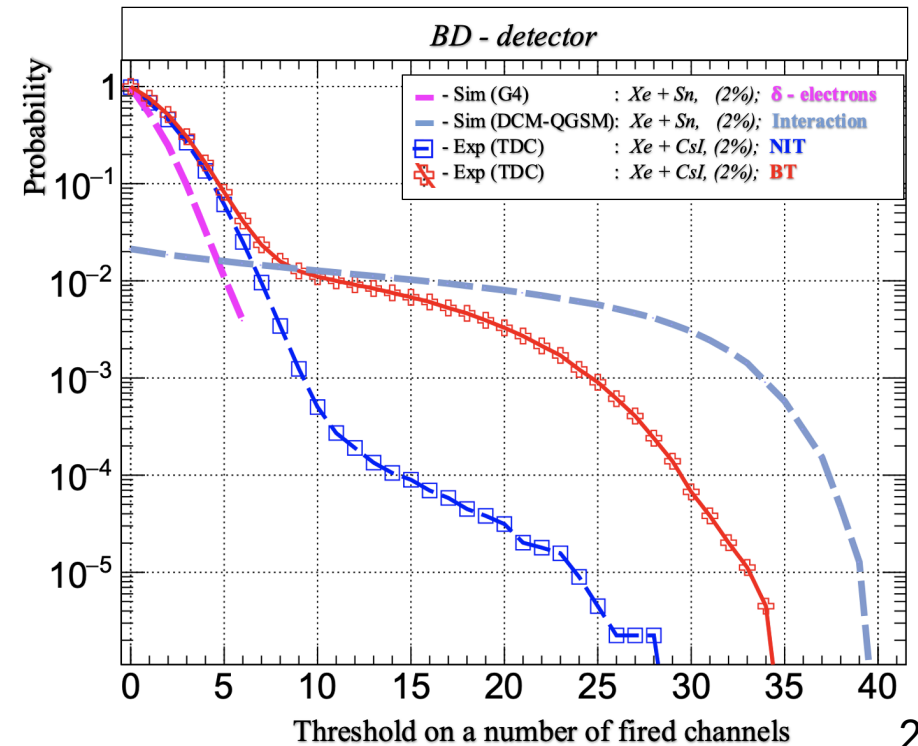
At  $BD \geq 4$  and 2% target,  $N(\text{CCT1}) / N(\text{BT})$  is 0.22, while 0.02-0.04 was expected.

In addition, CCT1 rate is very non-linear with 1% and 2% targets, indication of high sensitivity to pile-up of beam ions

- *Inner shield:* Pb - cylinder 0.3 cm thick;
- *Outer shield:* 25 x 50 cm<sup>2</sup>, L = 0.5 cm.



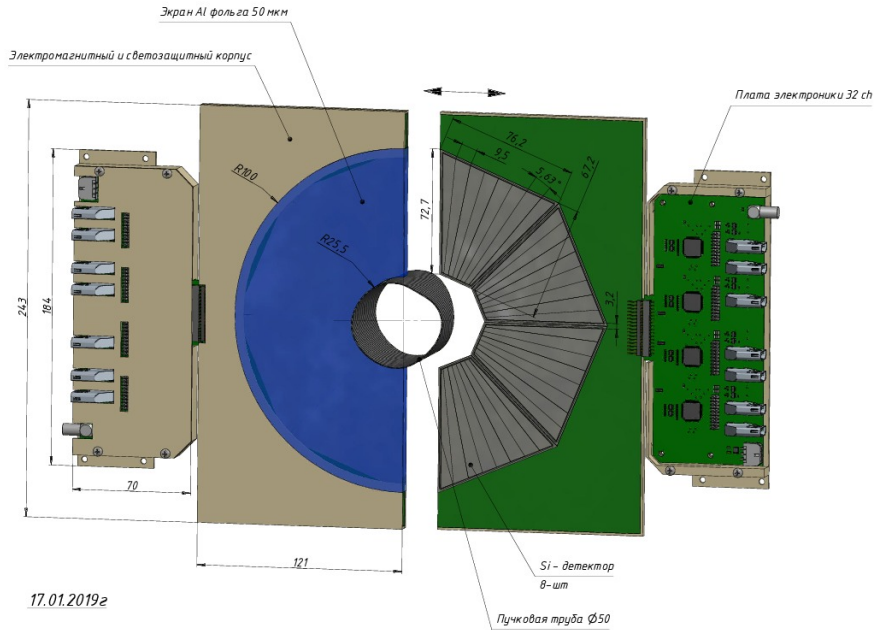
NIT events



# Response of Si Multiplicity Detector

Xe Beam 3 GeV/n, data taking with MBT trigger

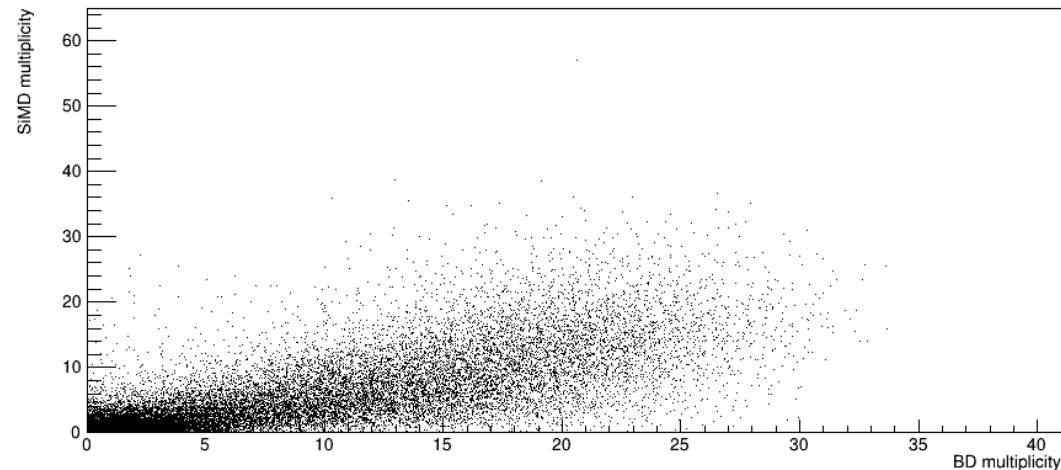
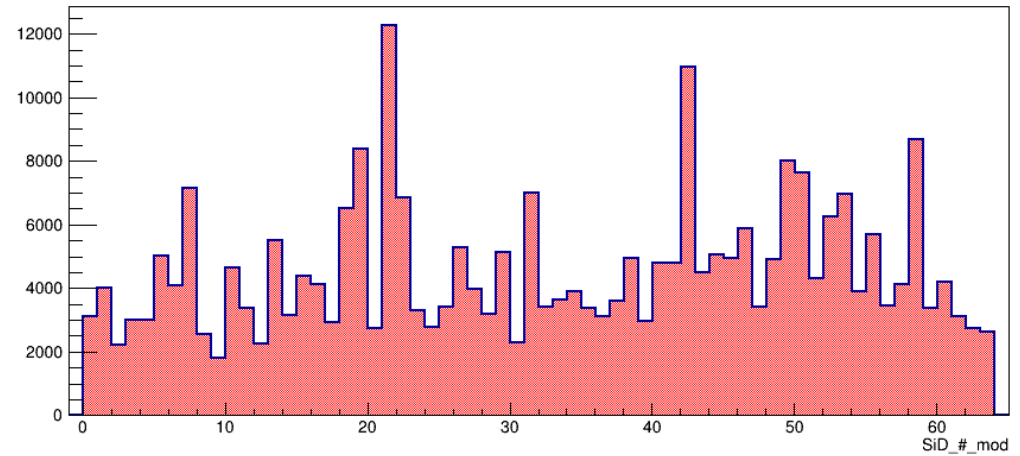
- all 64 channels are working
- clear correlation of hits multiplicity in SIMD and BD



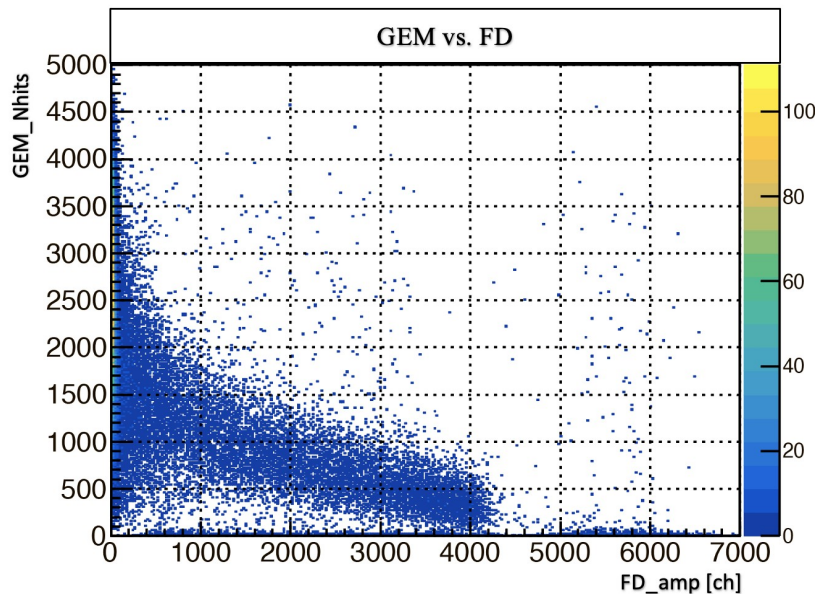
## Detector parameters:

- opening for the beam. Dia. 50 mm
- 8 trapezoidal detectors
- 64 strips in total
- 525 μm thick

*First look analysis  
by N. Lashmanov*



# Central collisions trigger $CCT2 = MBT \cdot (BD \geq n)$



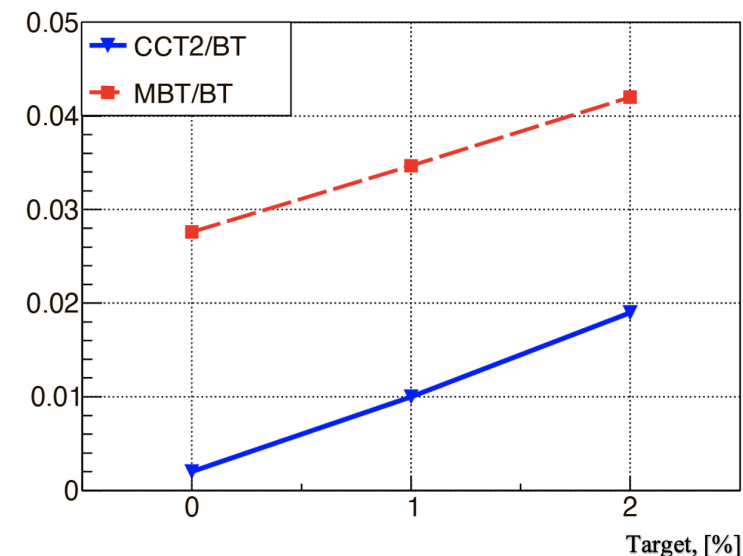
The backgrounds in triggers MBT and CCT1 are suppressed when MBT and CCT1 are combined in CCT2

Some non-linearity with 1% and 2% targets remains in CCT2, but becomes much smaller

Correlation plots in various detectors were used in order to confirm the validity of the trigger

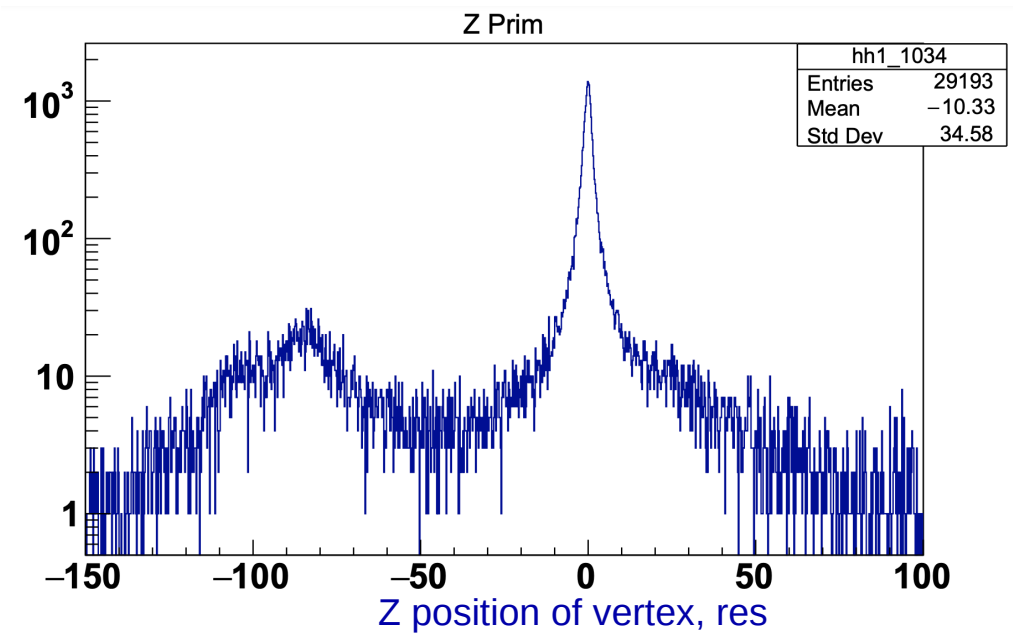
Estimated centrality of collected events  $\sim 70\%$

$N(CCT2) / N(BT)$  at  $BD \geq 4$



## “Regular” mix of triggers used in data taking

| Trigger | Downscaling factor | Fraction, % |
|---------|--------------------|-------------|
| BT      | 2000               | 3           |
| MBT     | 35                 | 7           |
| CCT1    | 230                | 5           |
| CCT2    | 1                  | 85          |



# BM@N trigger 2023 Xe run: summary and outlook

In general, the trigger system can be used in the next run (assuming, Xe 2024) without major changes.

*BC2:* – replace scintillator with a fresh one;  
– prepare mount for different PMT (BC1 type R2490-07, this will remove negative tail overshoot).

*FD:* – prepare stable base for XP2020/Q and make another test with the quartz radiator.

*BD:* – major redesign for Bi runs: two halves, more inner Pb-shielding, shorter scintillation strips

*SiMD:* – not needed used in heavy ion beams, complete analysis of the test data,  
keep for future runs with light ion beams.

*Beam trigger:* – additional threshold on BC1 amplitude in order to veto pile-up of beam ions.

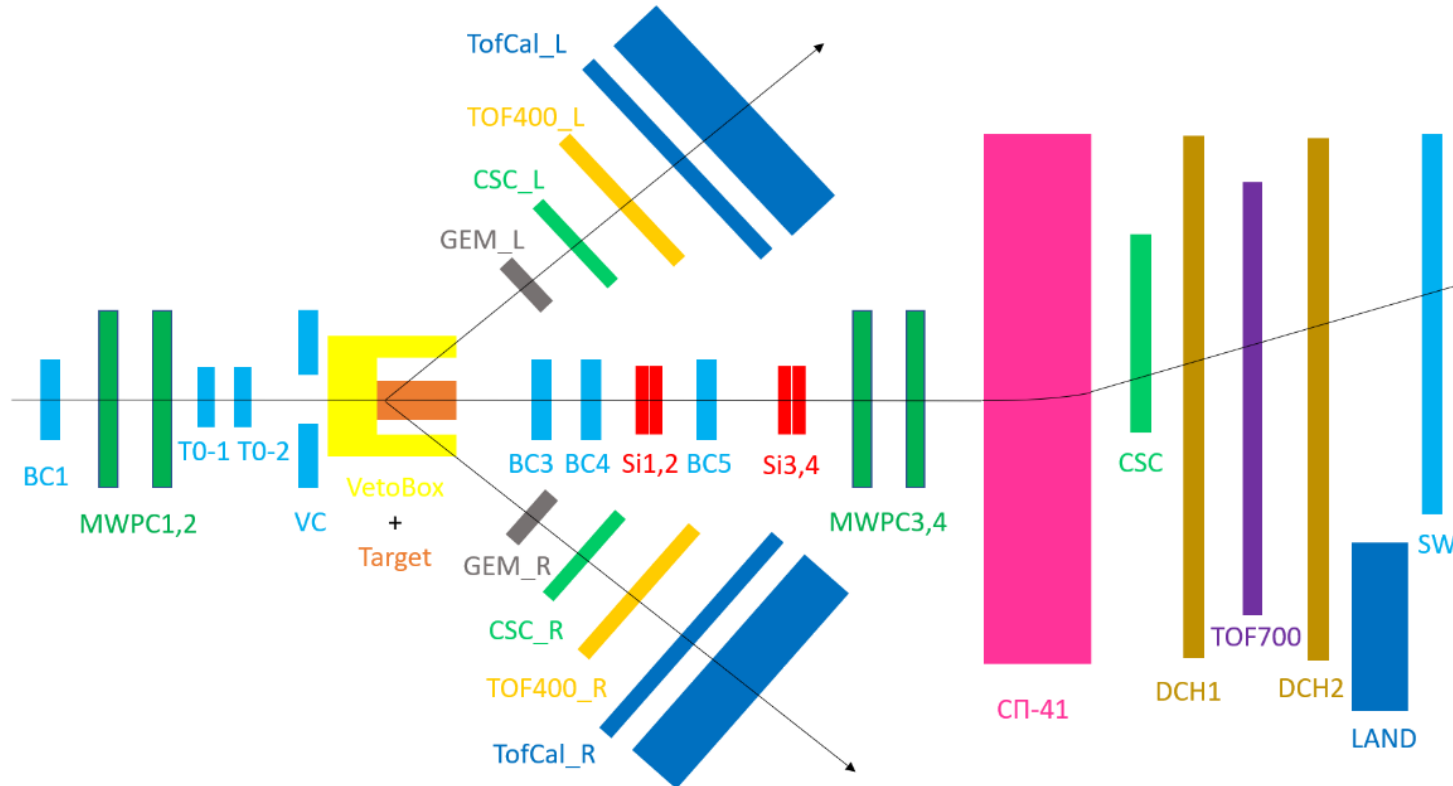
*CCT1, CCT2:* – no need to have two thresholds in the Barrel Detector.

*MBT:* – **add second threshold on FD amplitude, “soft” threshold in MBT and “hard” in CCT.**

*Prototypes with Cherenkov radiators in BC1, BC2 and FD:* design and prepare for testing in the next run.

# SRC at BM@N setup in the 2022 run

$^{12}\text{C} + \text{LH2}$



## Main reactions of interest:

$^{12}\text{C}(p,2p)$   
 $^{12}\text{C}(p,2p)^{11}\text{B}$   
 $^{12}\text{C}(p,2p)^{10}\text{B}$   
 $^{12}\text{C}(p,2p)^{10}\text{Be}$

## Trigger detectors:

BC1, T0-1, T0-2, VC  
 BC3, BC4, BC5  
 TofCal\_L, TofCal\_R

## Beam trigger (BT):

$BC1 \cdot T0-1 \cdot T0-2 \cdot !VC$

## ARM-AND trigger:

$BT \cdot TofCal_L \cdot TofCal_R$

## Fragment trigger (not used):

$BT \cdot !BC3 \cdot !BC4 \cdot !BC5$

## Laser 10 Hz

## Typical Trigger Mix:

$ARM-AND + BT/700 + Laser$

Spill  $\sim 2.5$  s, Beam intensity  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^5$  / spill, Event rate 3-5k/spill

Background  $^{12}\text{C}$  events in BC3 in ARM-AND trigger  $\sim 20\%$  was considered acceptable

## BC3-BC5 Preparation, Nov. 2021 – Feb.2022

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with help from O.Gavrishyuk



Silicon glue  
RTV615 Momentive

Light guides made  
in TAU

Epoxy Polytec EP

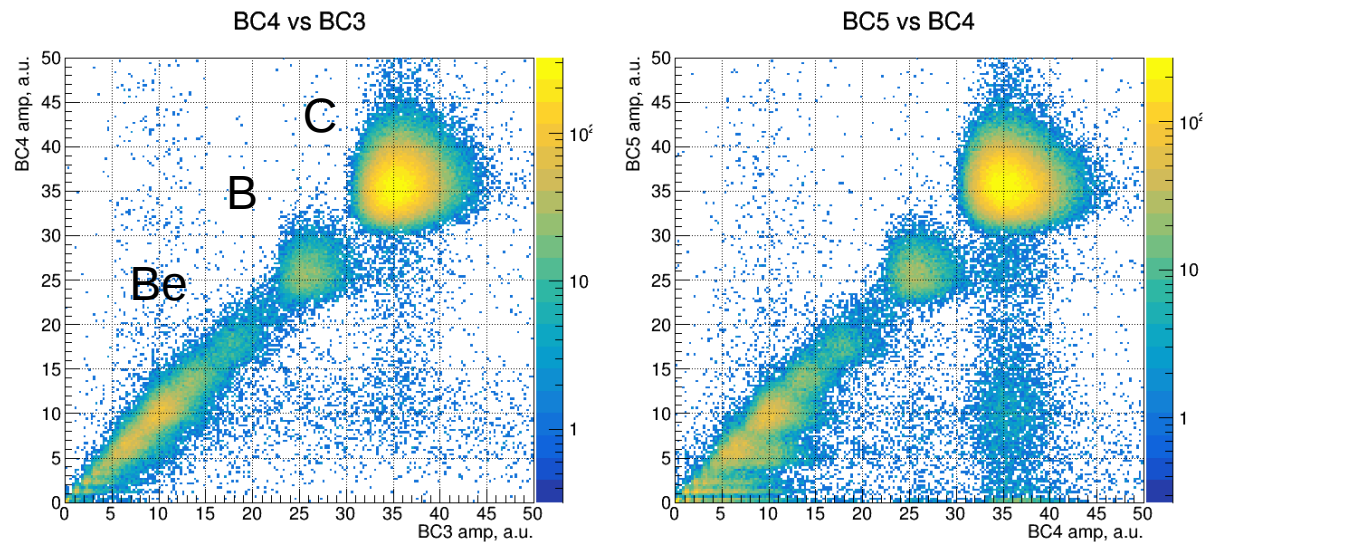
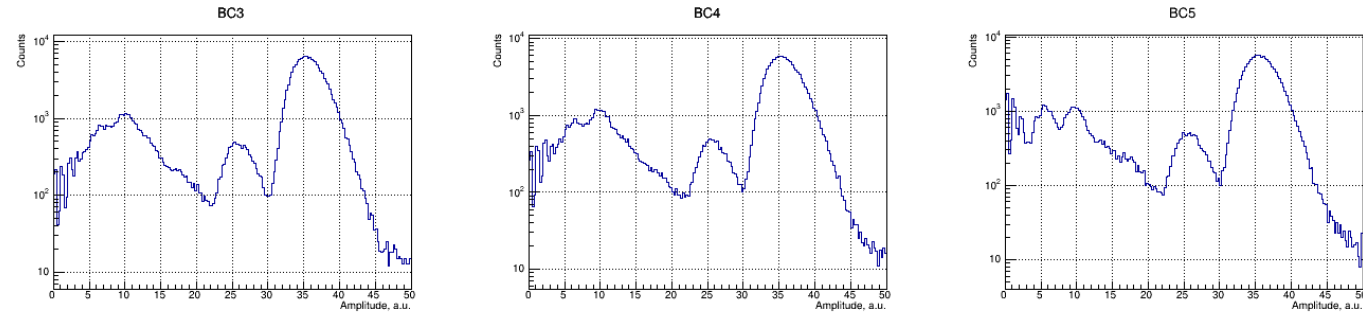
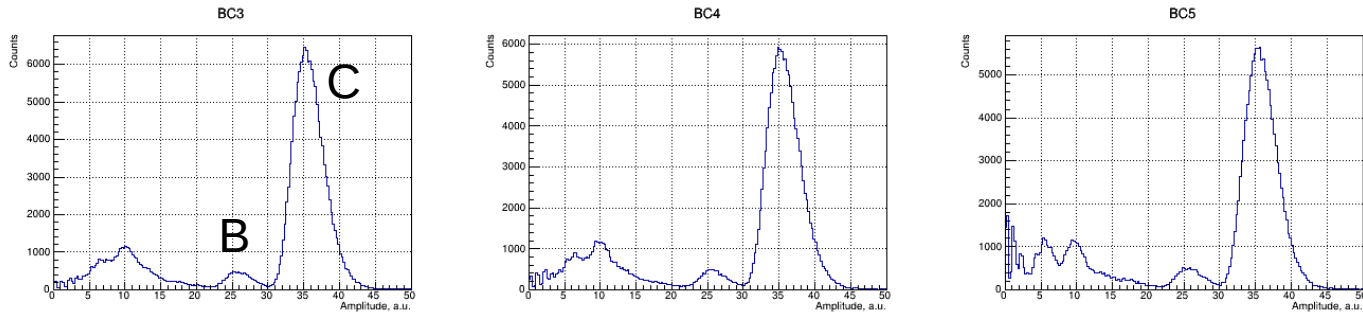


Beam

Pre-Run tests: response to cosmics,  
PMT stability with Laser (100 Hz) + LED (10Hz–10MHz),  
several “Dry runs” with Laser trigger and full DAQ read-out.



# BC3-BC5 amplitude resolution



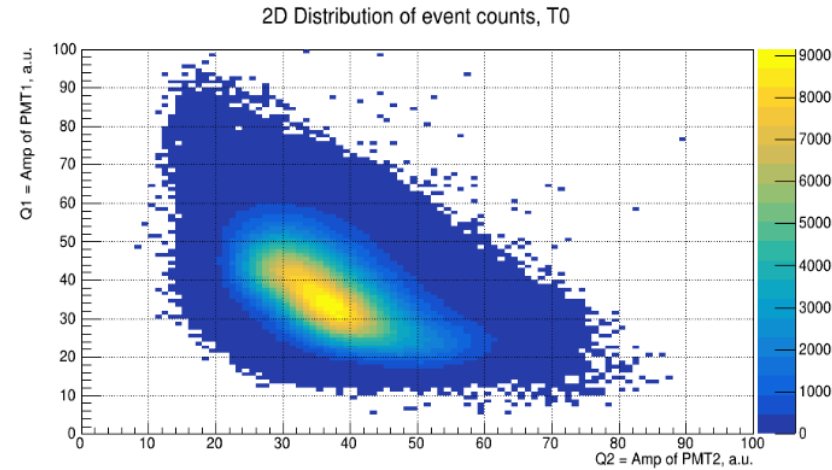
PMT: R7724-10  
Scintillator: BC408

BC3, BC4: 100 x 100 x 3 mm<sup>3</sup>  
BC5: 100 x 100 x 5 mm<sup>5</sup>

As expected, BC3-5 show clean “C”, “B” separation in both, online data taken with CAEN and detailed offline TQDC analysis performed by T.Atovullaev and Stepan Cherepanov (MSU student)

Plan to check possible improvement if one adds XY non-uniformity correction using tracking

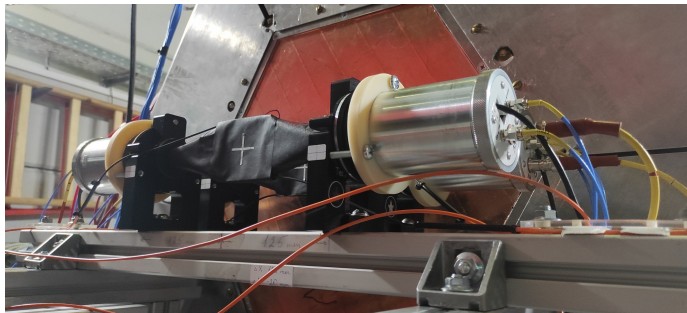
# T0-1, T0-2 time resolution



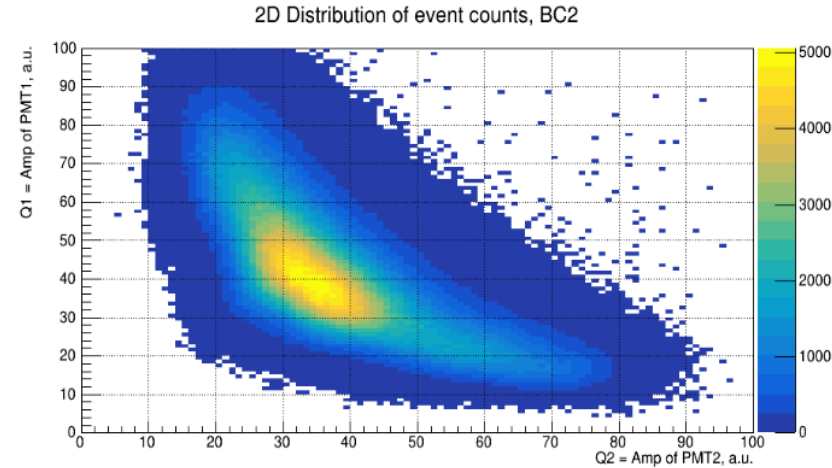
MCP PMT:  
Photonis XPM85112/A1 Q400

Scintillator: BC418  
Size: 60 x 60 x 1 mm<sup>3</sup>

Unexpectedly non-uniform  
light collection, and low  
photostatistics



Installed in the beamline



Time resolution (ps):

T0-1  $65 \pm 5$   
T0-2  $55 \pm 5$   
**T0  $46 \pm 5$**

BC3  $48 \pm 5$   
BC4  $69 \pm 3$   
BC5  $73 \pm 3$

**T0 + BC3  $\sim 30$**

Thank you for your attention