

HERD PSD tile

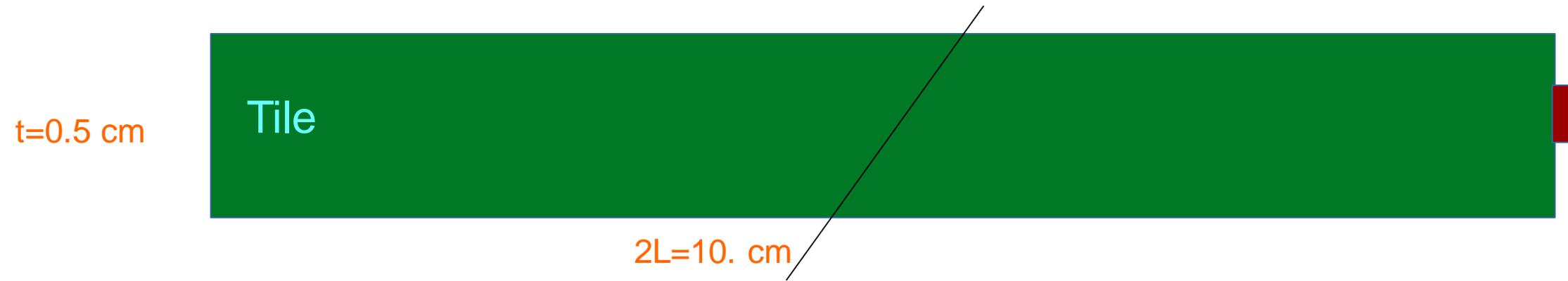
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Estimation of photon flux on SiPMs

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$dN_{\gamma}/dE \sim 10^4 / \text{MeV}$ is the number of photons per MeV

$dE/dx \sim 2 \text{ MeV/cm}$ (m.i.p.)

$t=0.5 \text{ cm}$ thickness of tile

$2L=10 \text{ cm}$ tile size

$n = 1.6$ refraction index of tile scintillator

$\cos \theta = 1/n$ is the limiting angle

The number of photons emitted within θ is

$$N_{\text{[?]?}} = (dN/dE) * (dE/dx) * (\cos \theta) * t$$

Hitting the side surface with area $A = 4 * t * 2L * t$

Signals on SiPM (2)

The photon flux is: $\Phi = dN_{\gamma}/dA = (dN/dE) \cdot (dE/dx) \cdot (\cos \theta) / (4 \cdot 2L)$

Rough estimation assuming effective reflection !!

$$dN_{\gamma}/dA = 300 \text{ ph/cm}^2$$

Assuming a quantum efficiency $QE = 50\%$

The photoelectron flux is $dn_{pe}/dA = 150 \text{ p.e./cm}^2$

The number of photoelectrons on a cell:

$$dn_{pe}/dCell \text{ (mip)} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot (d/100 \mu\text{m}) \text{ p.e./Cell} \text{ (d is the cell size)}$$

Occupancy very low for m.i.p. with $d \leq 50$

For iron the number of photons per unit of length is ~ 400 larger accounting for Birks' effect.

$$dn_{pe}/dCell(\text{Fe}) = 6 \cdot (d/100 \mu\text{m}) \text{ p.e./Cell}$$

Retaining linearity for Fe requires $< 0.1 \text{ p.e./Cell} \rightarrow d < 15 \mu\text{m}$.

Hence high gain large area SiPMs can have $d = 50 \mu\text{m}$ while low gain small area $d = 10 - 15 \mu\text{m}$.

To be verified in detail with simulation (see later).

Signals on SiPM: time structure

Time profile of scintillation photons driven by scintillation time

Following an exponential shape with decay time $\sim 1-2$ ns.

Additional broadening due to propagation in the tile comparable to 1ns.

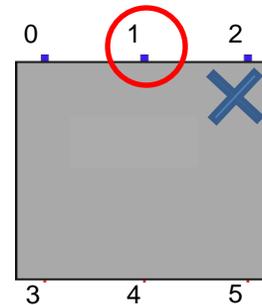
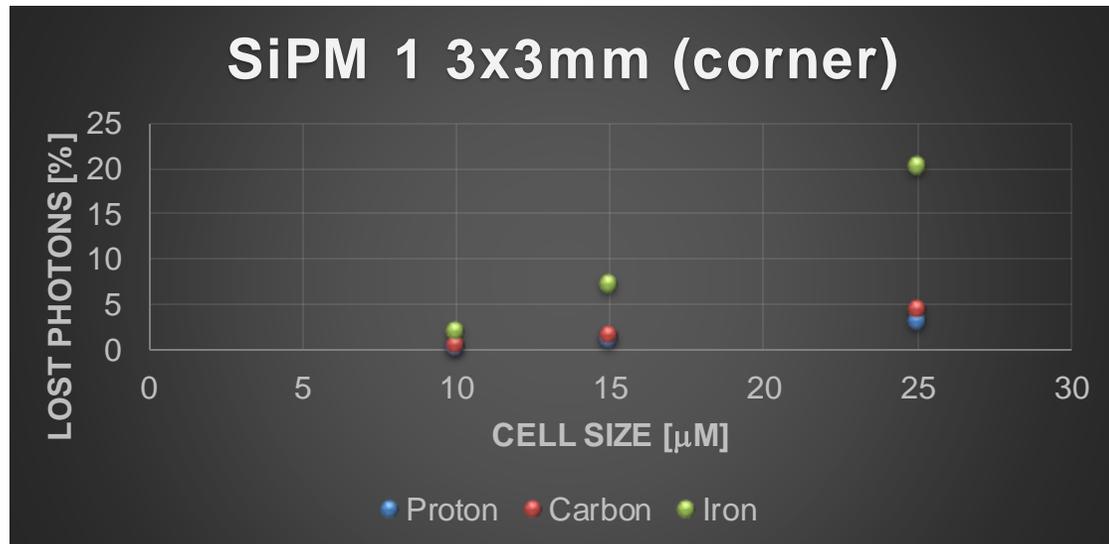
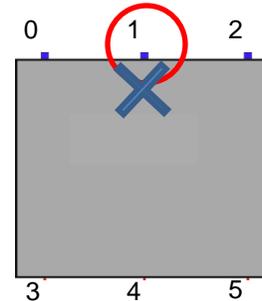
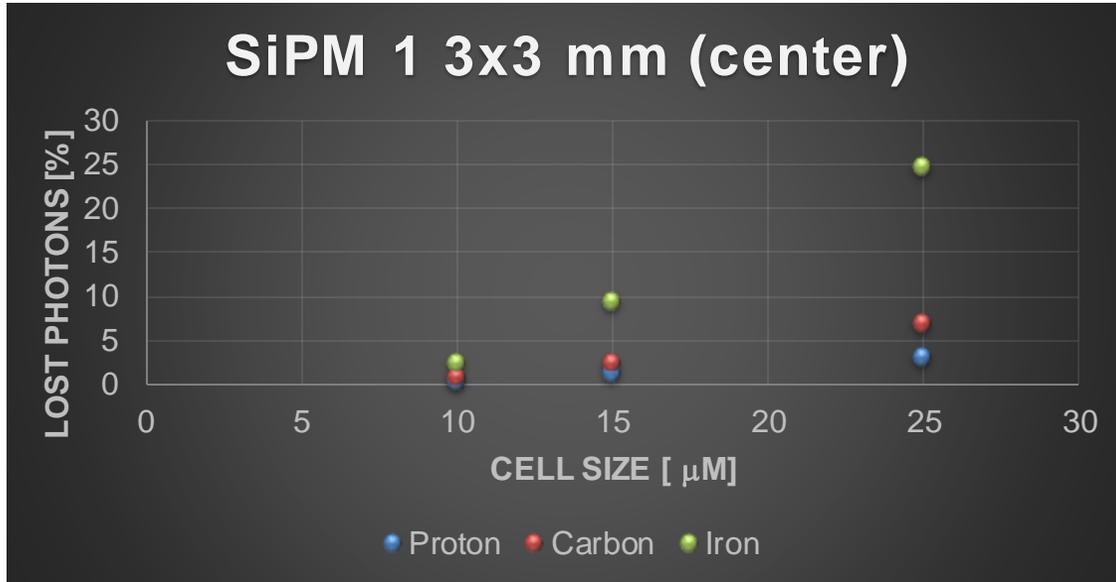
Dead time of SiPM is ~ 10 ns $\gg 1-2$ ns (scintillation time)

Longer tails due to multiple reflections are possible but their contributions are negligible.

Therefore each cell can detect only one photon per particle.

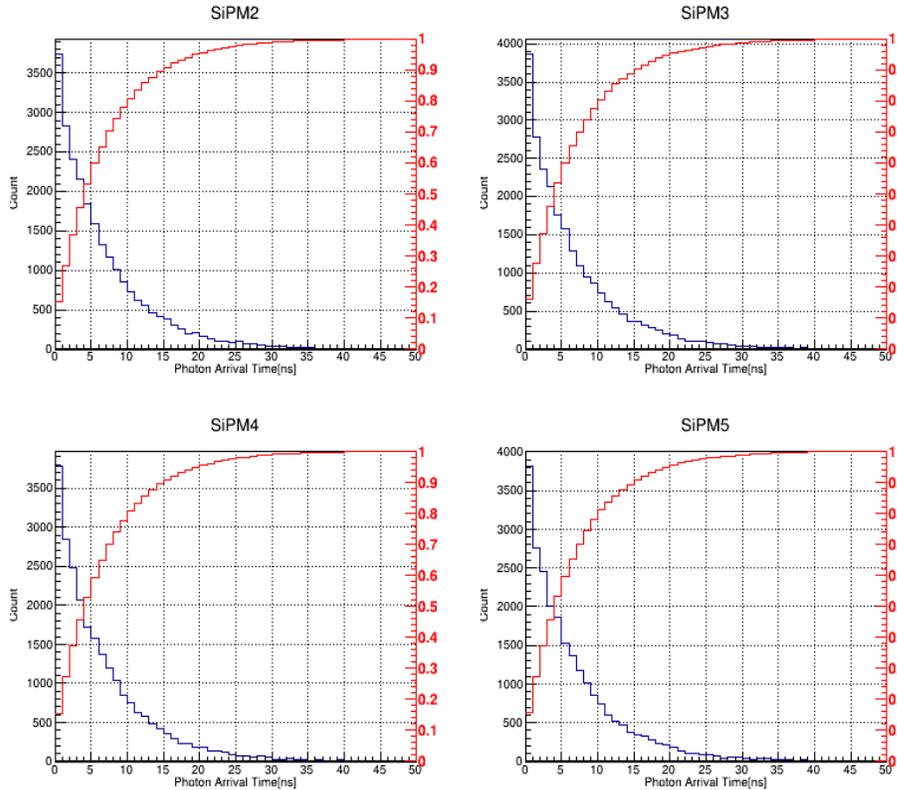
The tile is equipped with 3 SiPM 3x3 mm² on one side and 3 SiPM 1x1 mm² on the other site

In the following plots you can see the fraction of photons lost due to cell saturation as function of cell size for different particle species and for two particle crossing positions

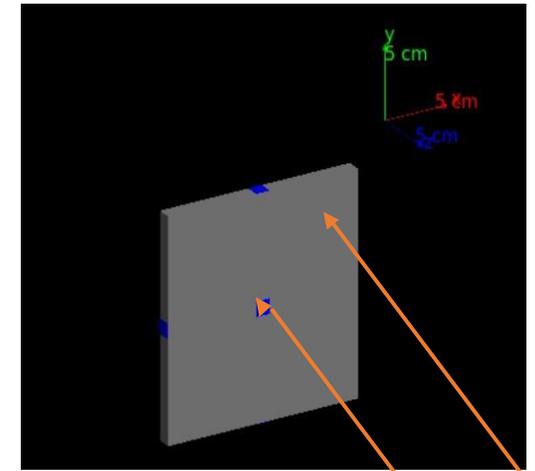
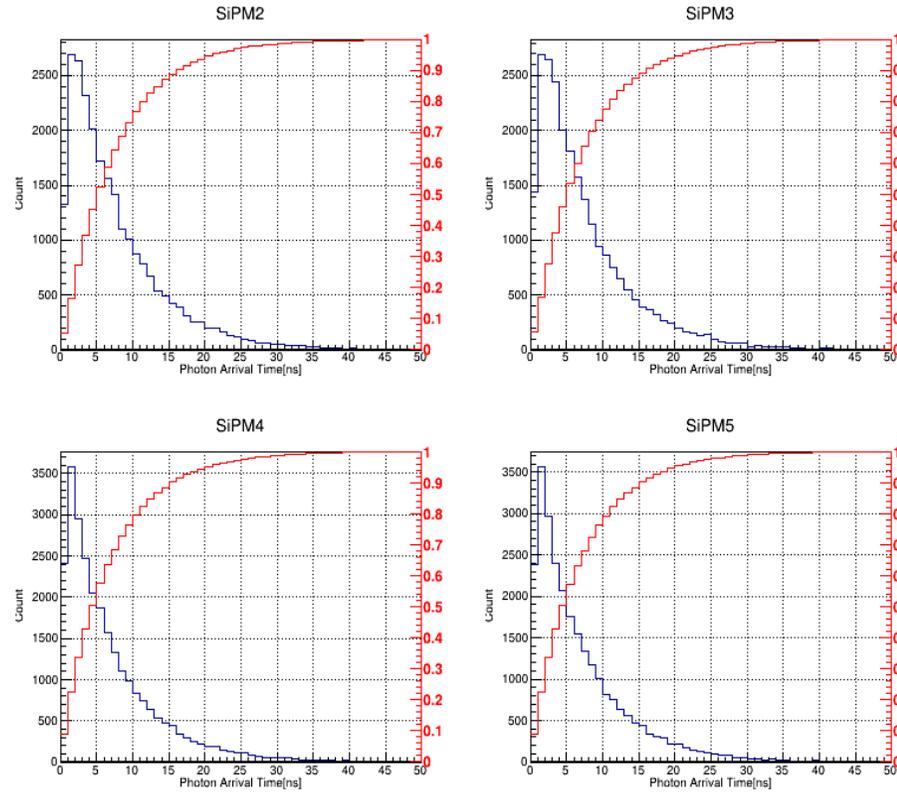


The saturation effect is the same for SiPM of different size since it is only related to the photon density on the sensor

Center



Corner



50% of photons are collected in 5 ns

80% of photons are collected in 10 ns

The collection time of the bulk of the photons is shorter than the SiPM dead time. Therefore each SiPM detects at most 1 photon.

The collection time does not change with particle species

Test with radioactive source: Pavia

Setup of radioactive source test

^{90}Sr source (β emitter up to 2.2 MeV)



Tile: Scintillator EJ200 thickness 5 mm

Readout 3 SiPM S14160-3050hs (3.0 mm side and 50 mm cell size)

on each side readout in parallel $V_b=42.5$ V

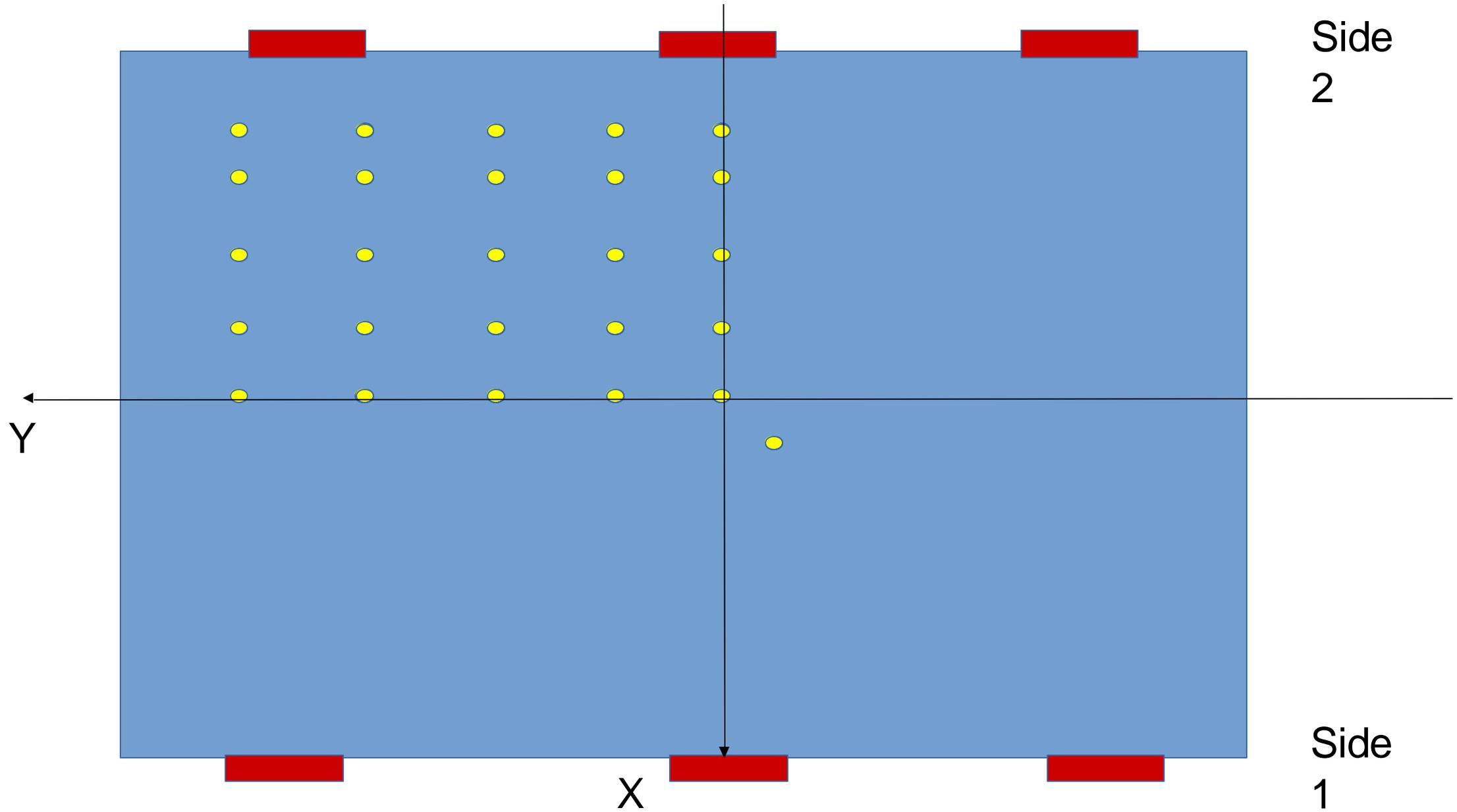
Wrapped with Teflon and with black paper

Cube: MEG scintillator (several years old) 12 mm side

Covered with white coating

BaS
Readout on single side with array SiPM SensCell C-60035-4p-gevb (4 6x6 35 μ m)

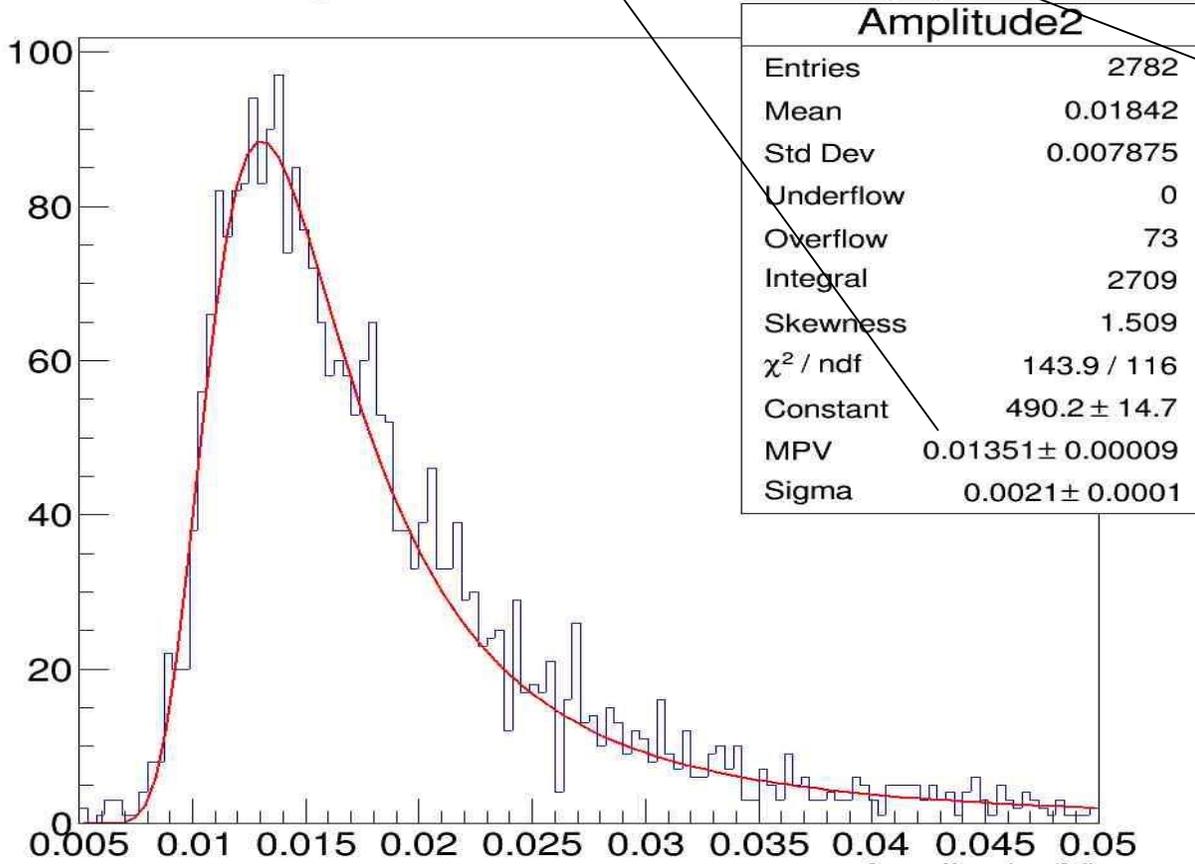
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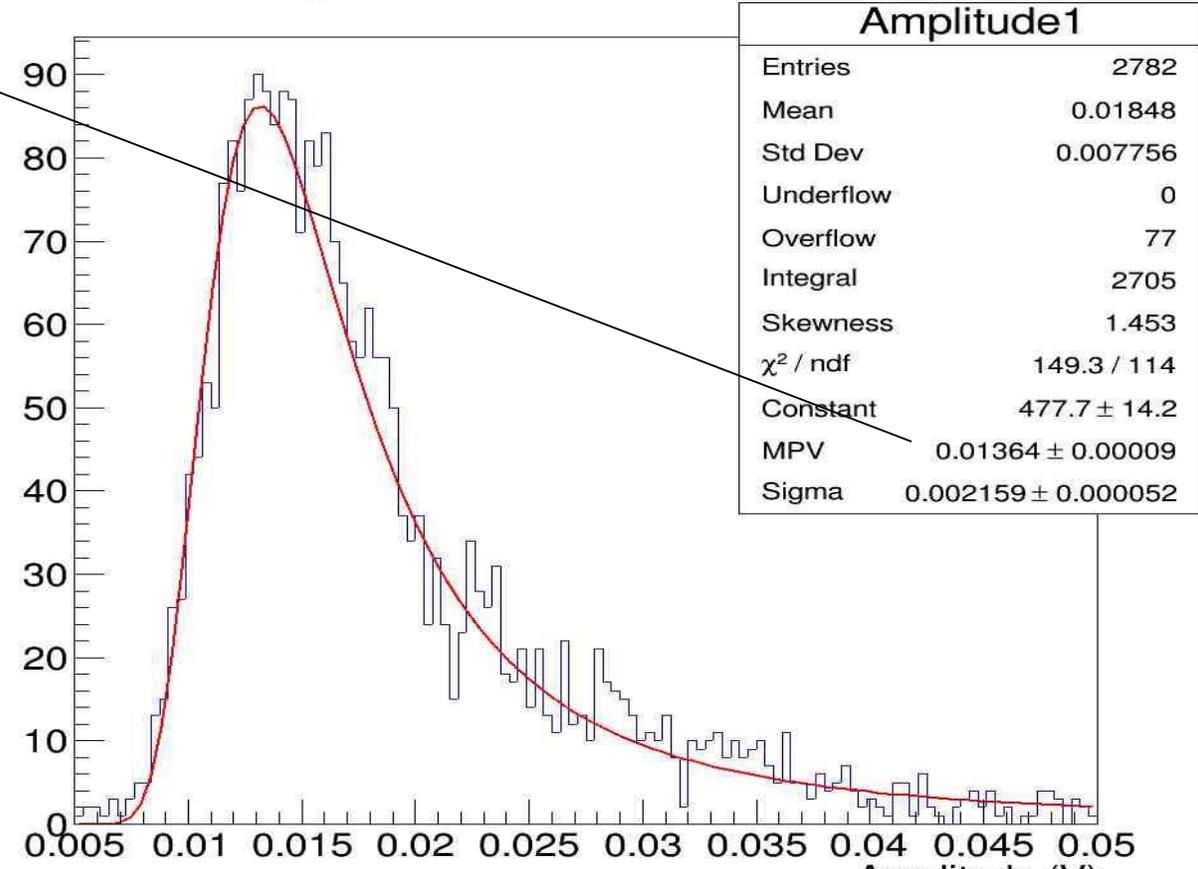
Signal amplitude X=0 Y=0

Signals on both sides when source is in the centre X=0.0 Y=0.0
They are equal. The SiPM gains and optical coupling on both sides are equal.

Amplitude SiPM board 2 (V)

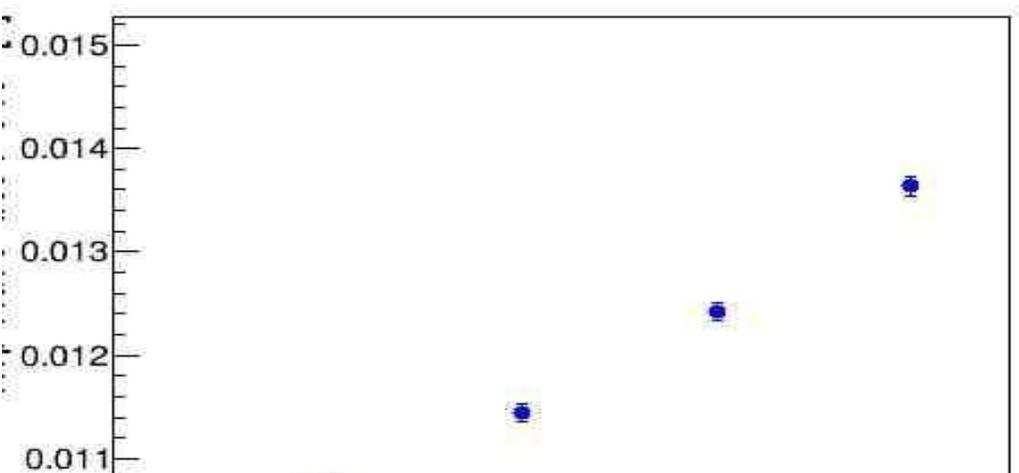


Amplitude SiPM board 1 (V)

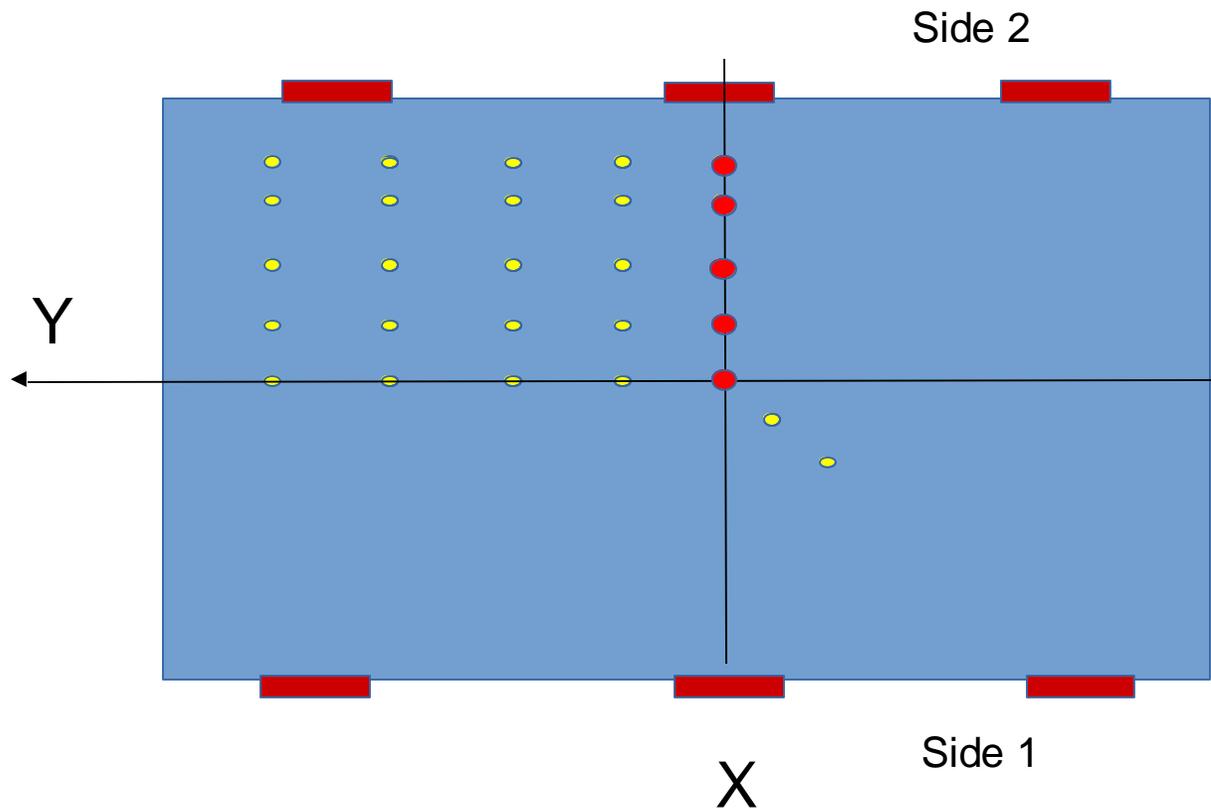
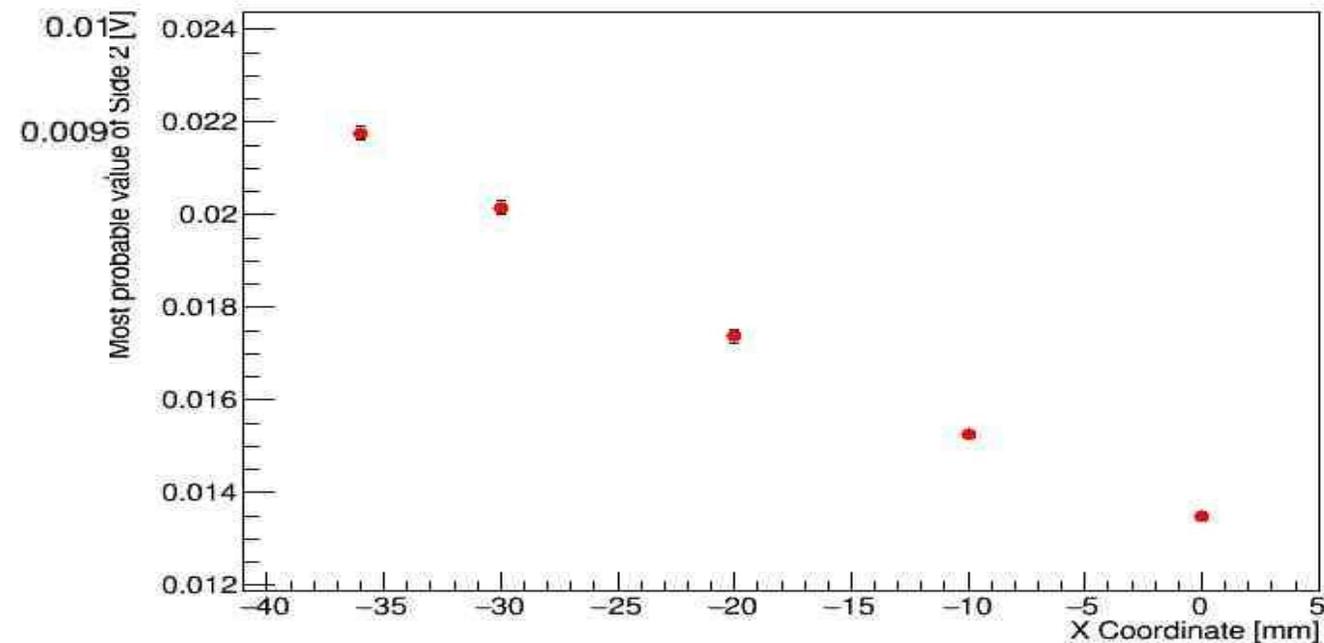


MPV1/2 versus X

YCoord0.000000: MPV1 vs XCoord



YCoord0.000000: MPV2 vs XCoord

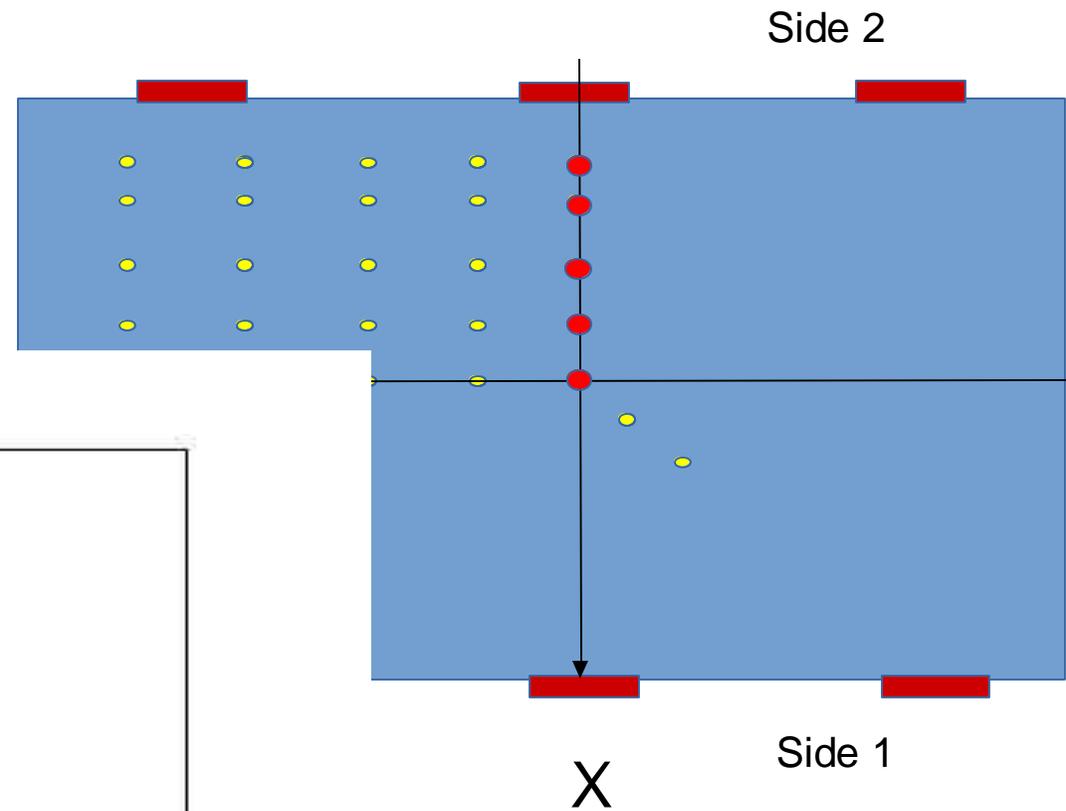


Signal increases (decreases) going closer (farther) to the SiPMs.
The solid angles subtended by SiPMs grows larger (smaller).

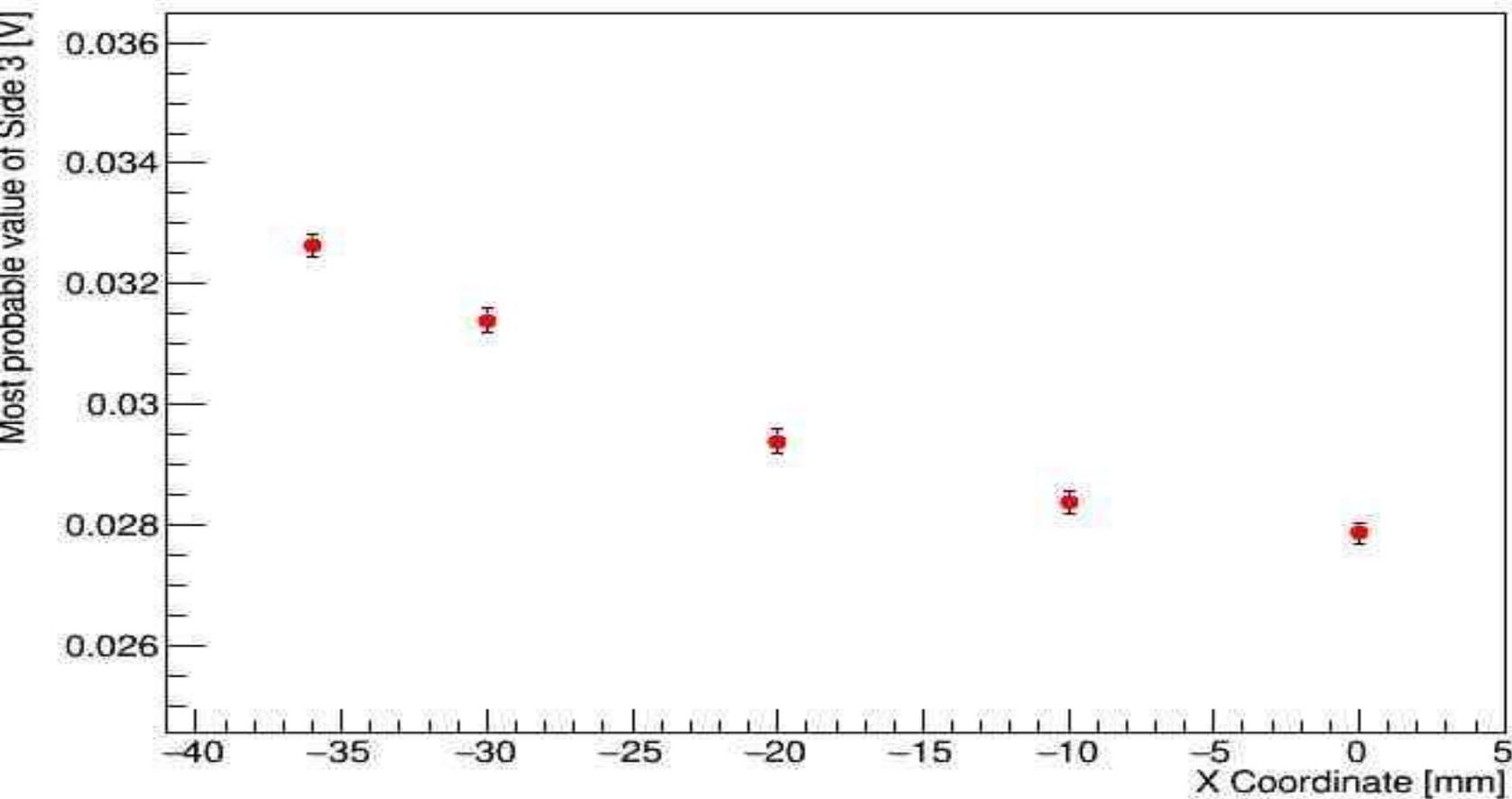
MPV3=MPV1+MPV2 versus X

Total signal increases going closer to SiPMs.
Reflection on the sides limits the effect of solid angle reduction

Y



YCoord0.000000: MPV3 vs XCoord

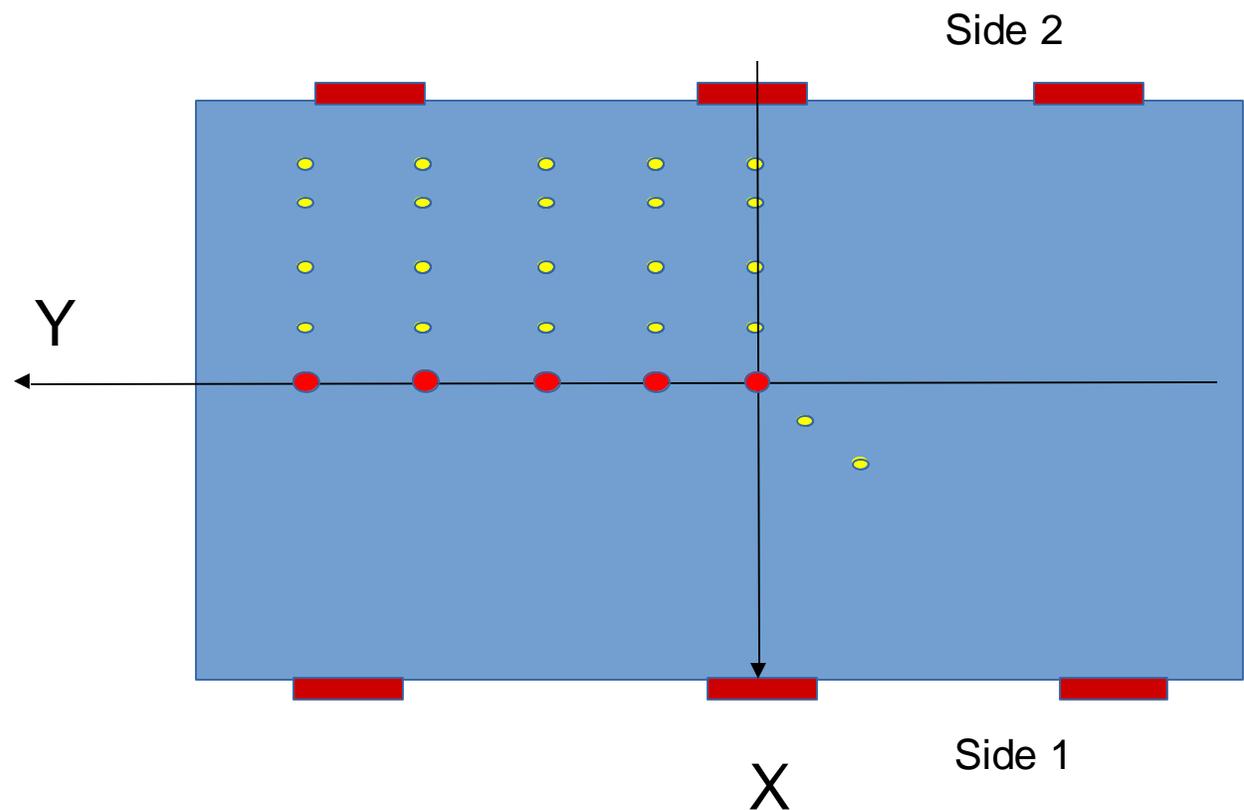
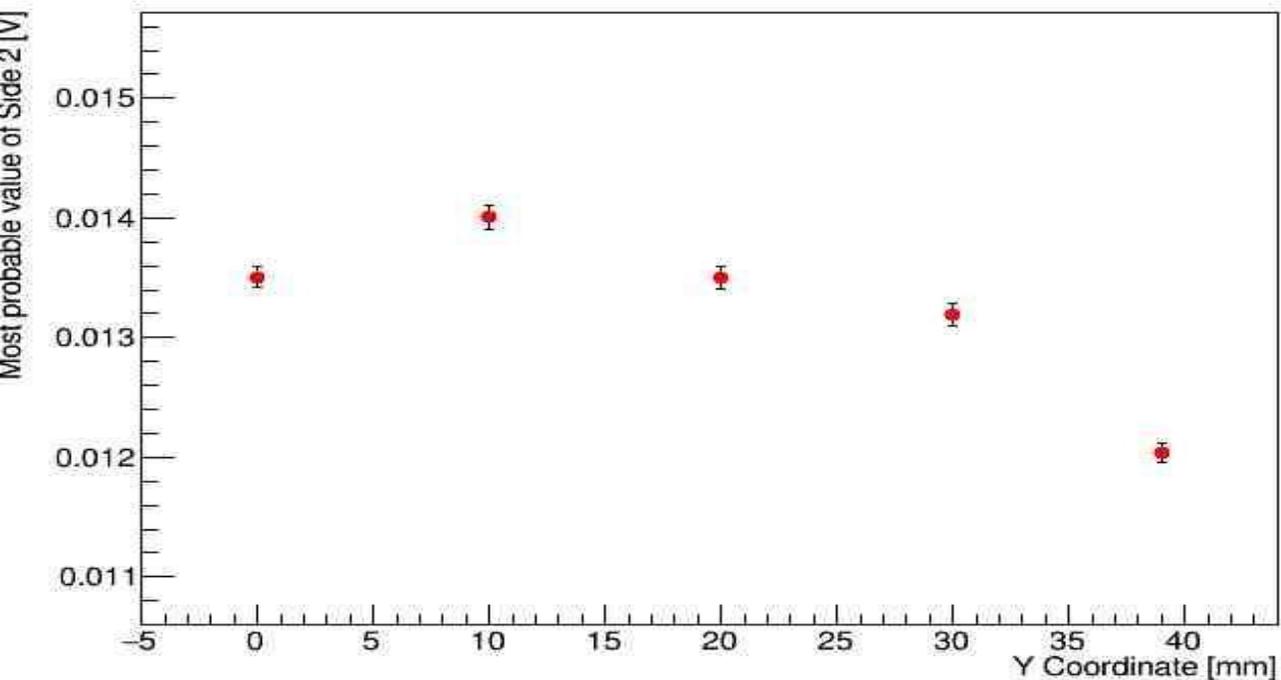


MPV1/2 versus Y

XCoor0.000000: MPV1 vs YCoor

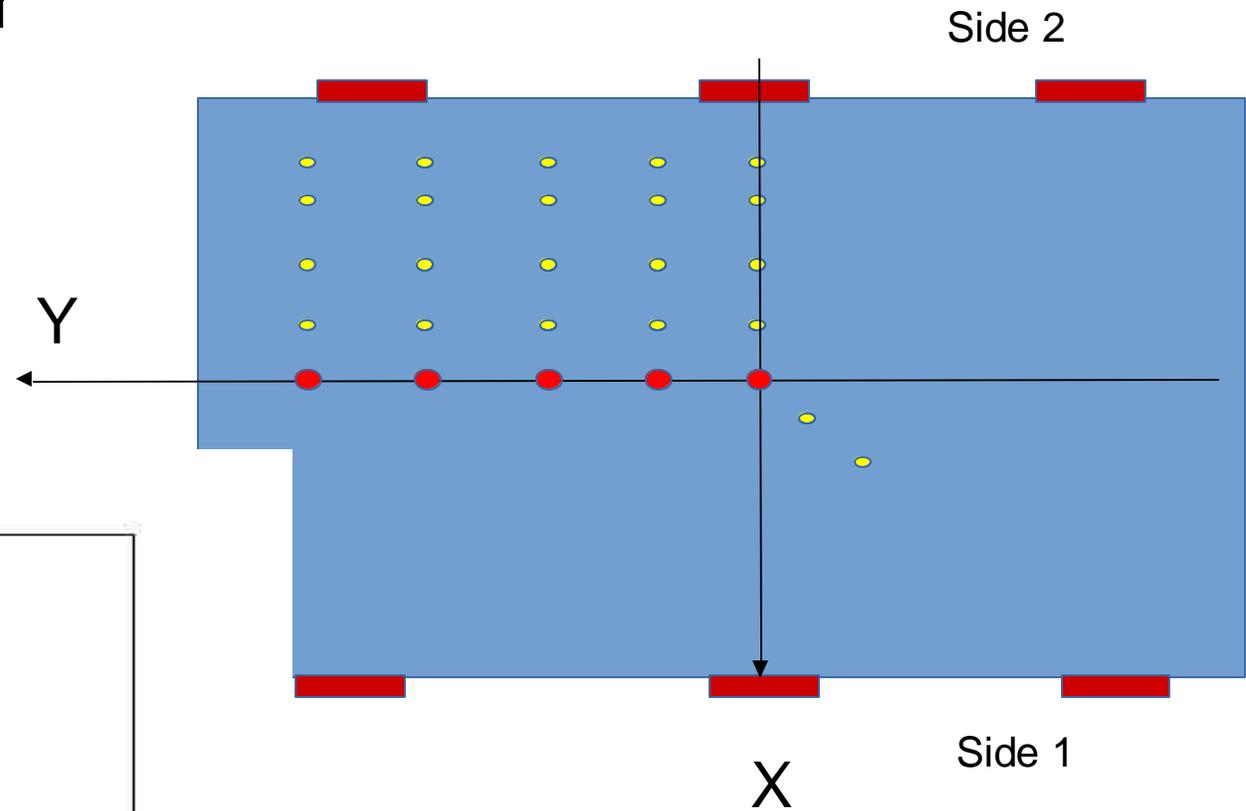
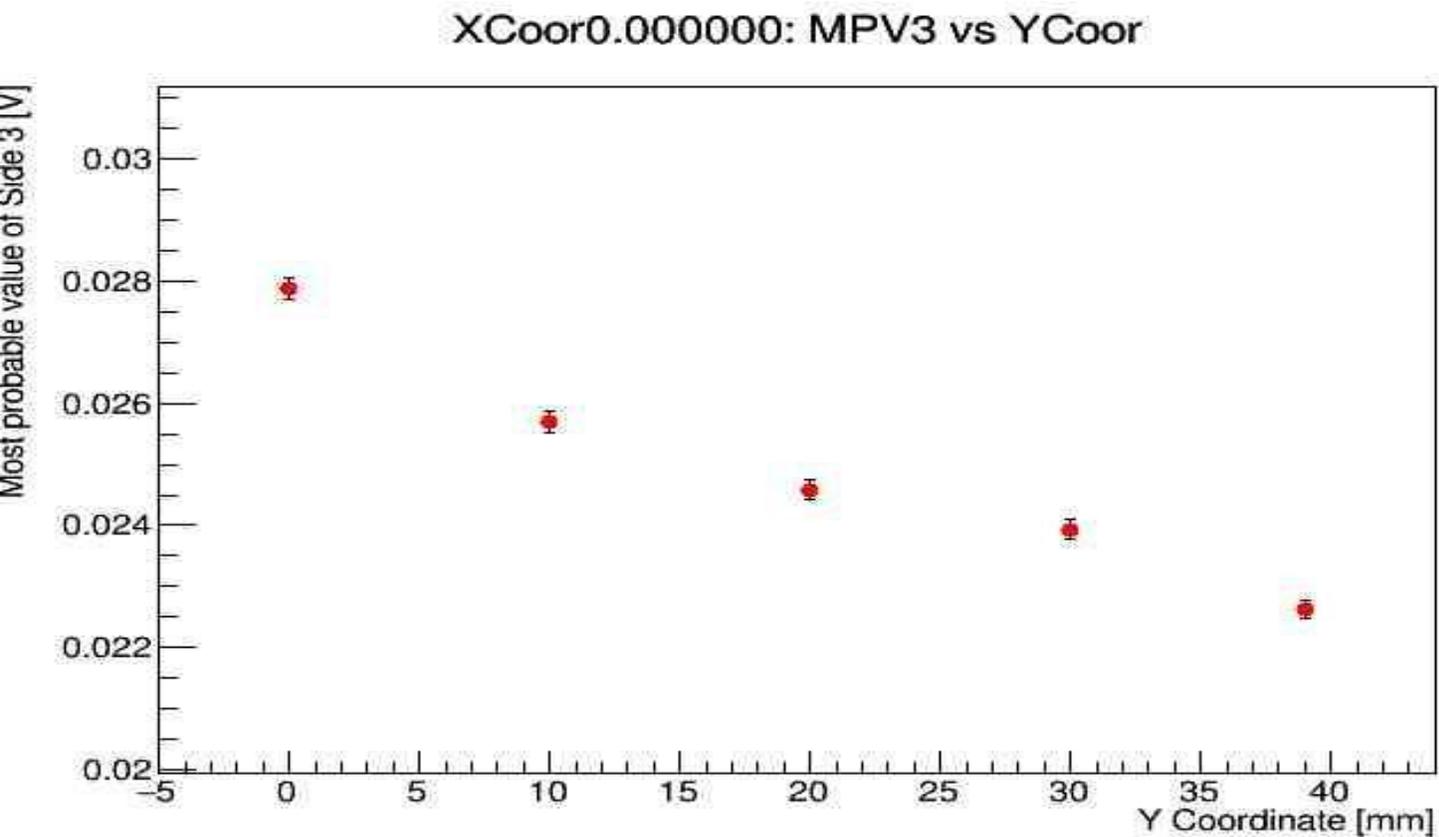


XCoor0.000000: MPV2 vs YCoor



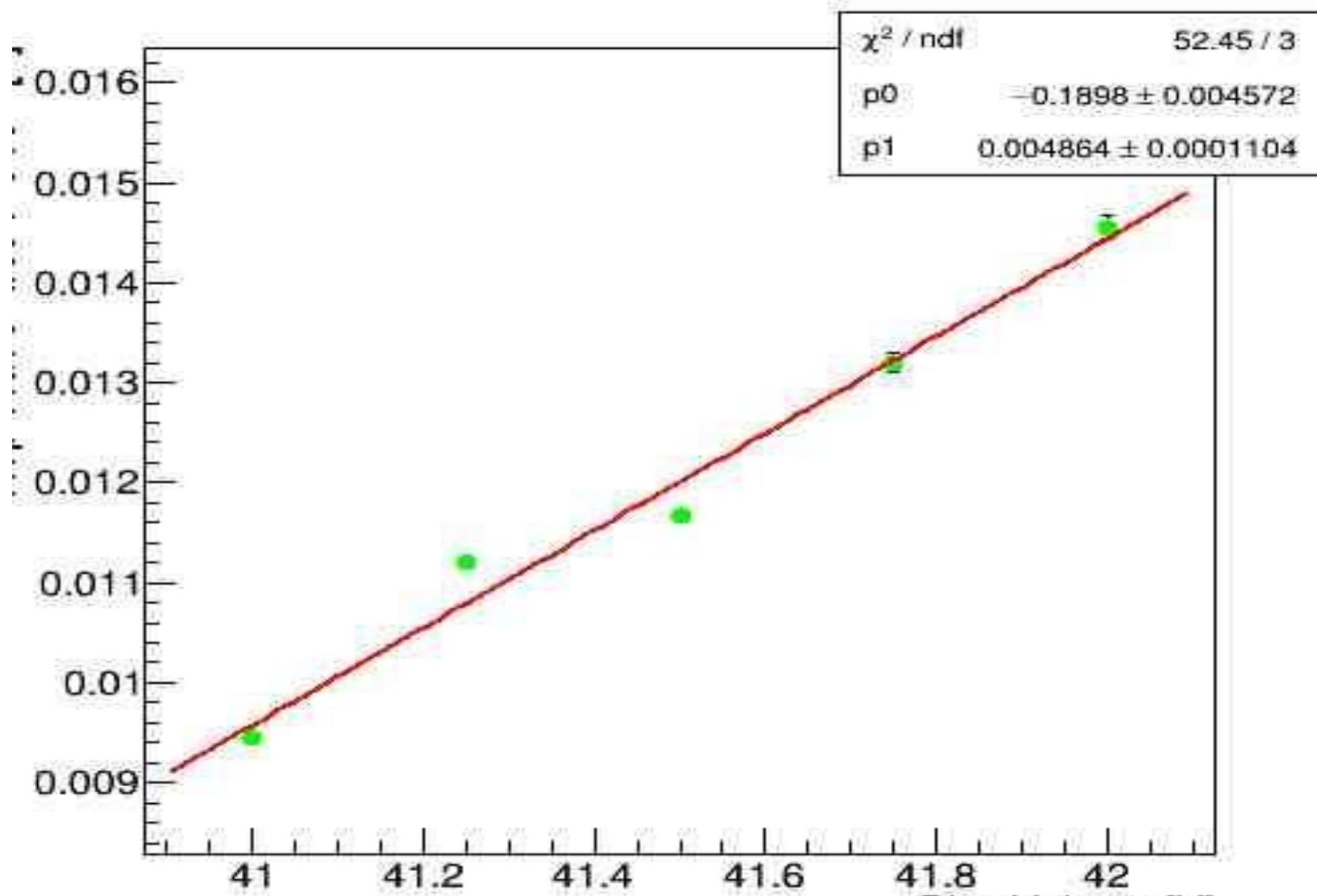
Total signal decreases moving toward the edge. Probably due to decreasing solid angle subtended by SiPMs and poor reflection on the side.

MPV3=MPV1+MPV2 versus Y



Signal amplitude vs Bias Voltage at X=0 Y=0

MPV1 vs BV



MPV distributions on tile surface

An estimator of the uniformity of the signal distribution on the tile is the relative spread (σ) of the Most Probable Values of the Landau fits on the points on the tile surface.

Ideally the points should cover the whole surface.

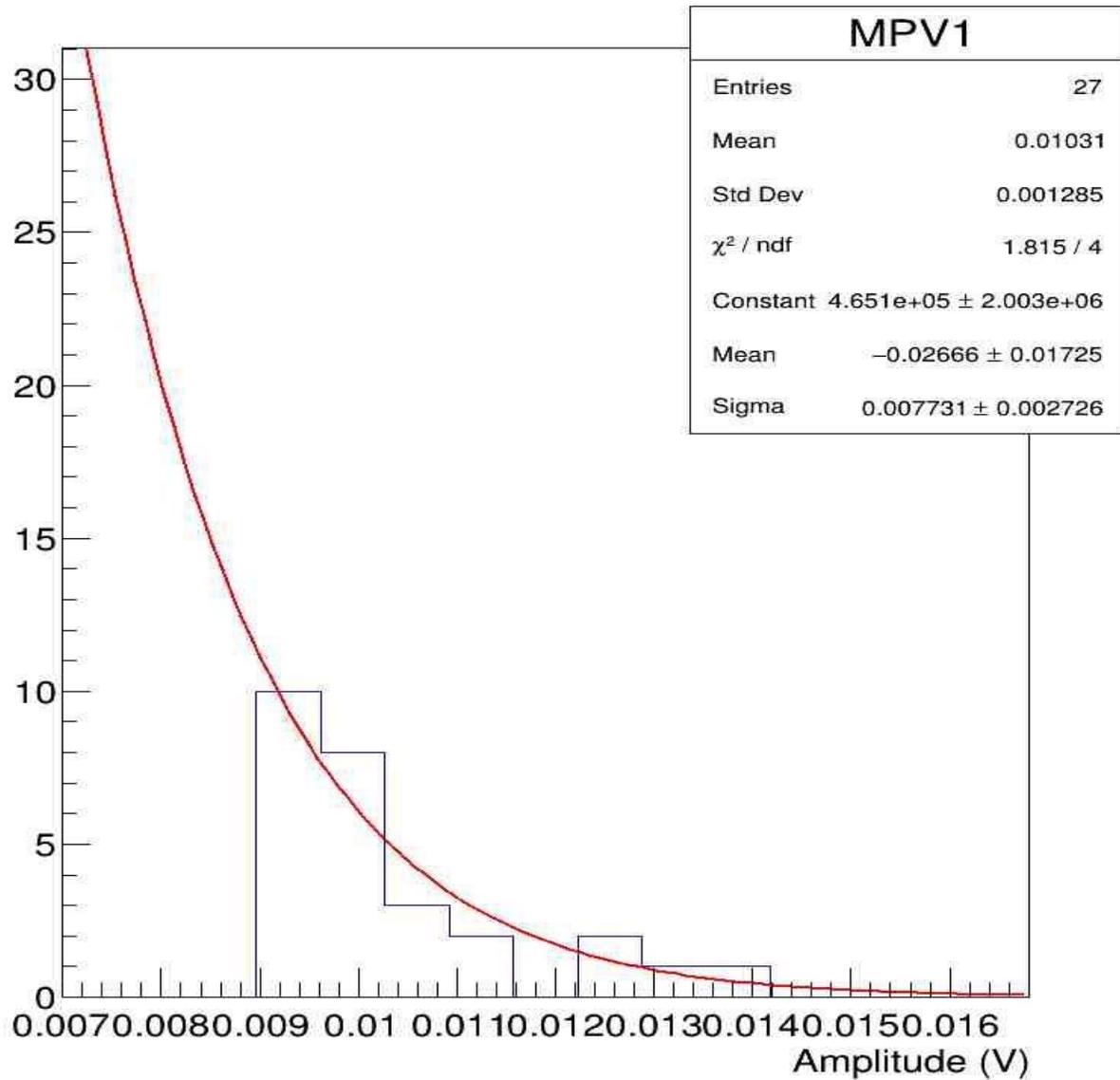
Now we rely on the set of points already collected.

This estimator should be compared with the relative spread of the Landau distribution.

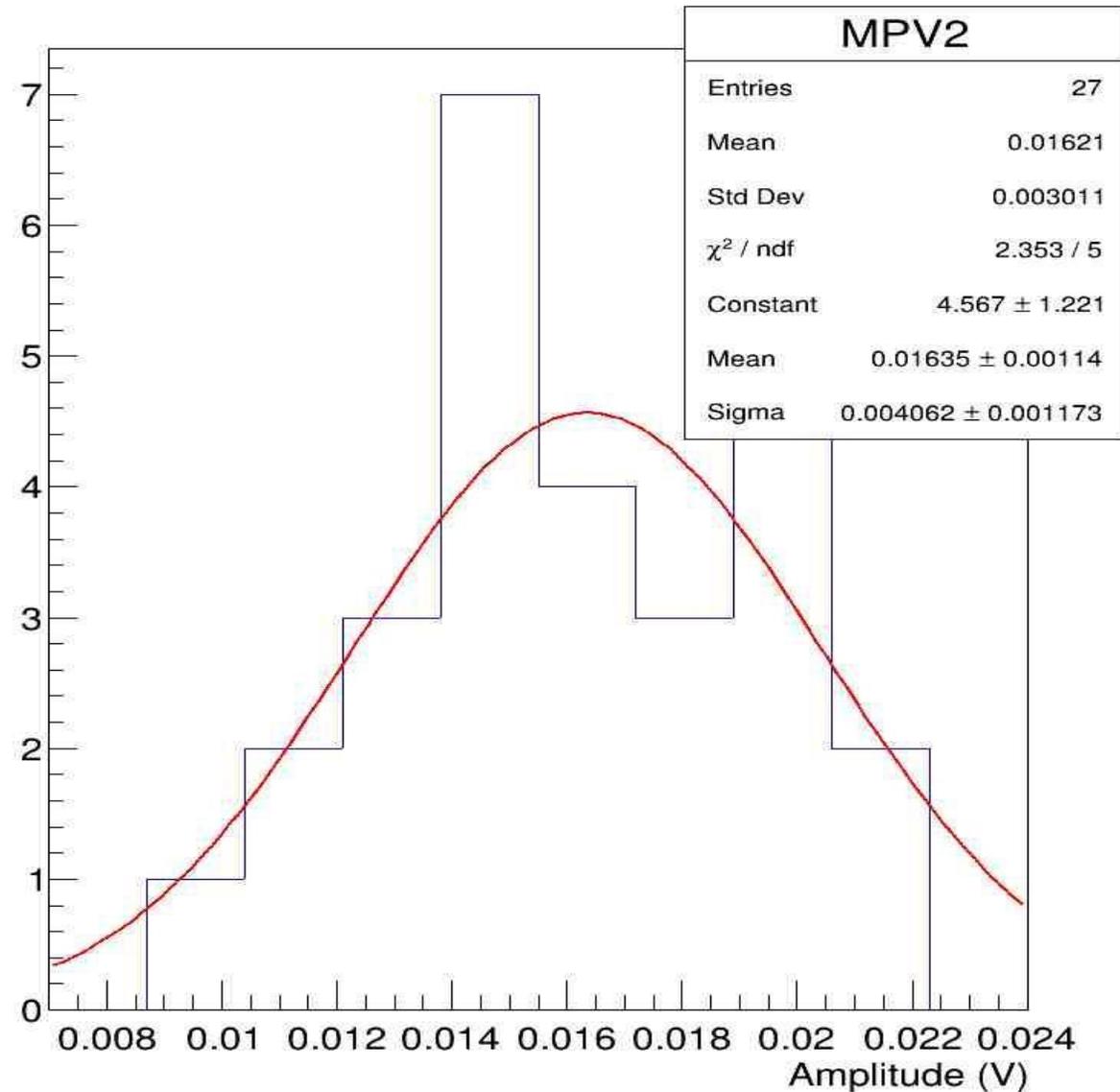
If smaller the charge measurement is not limited by non uniformity in light collection.

MPV distributions on tile surface

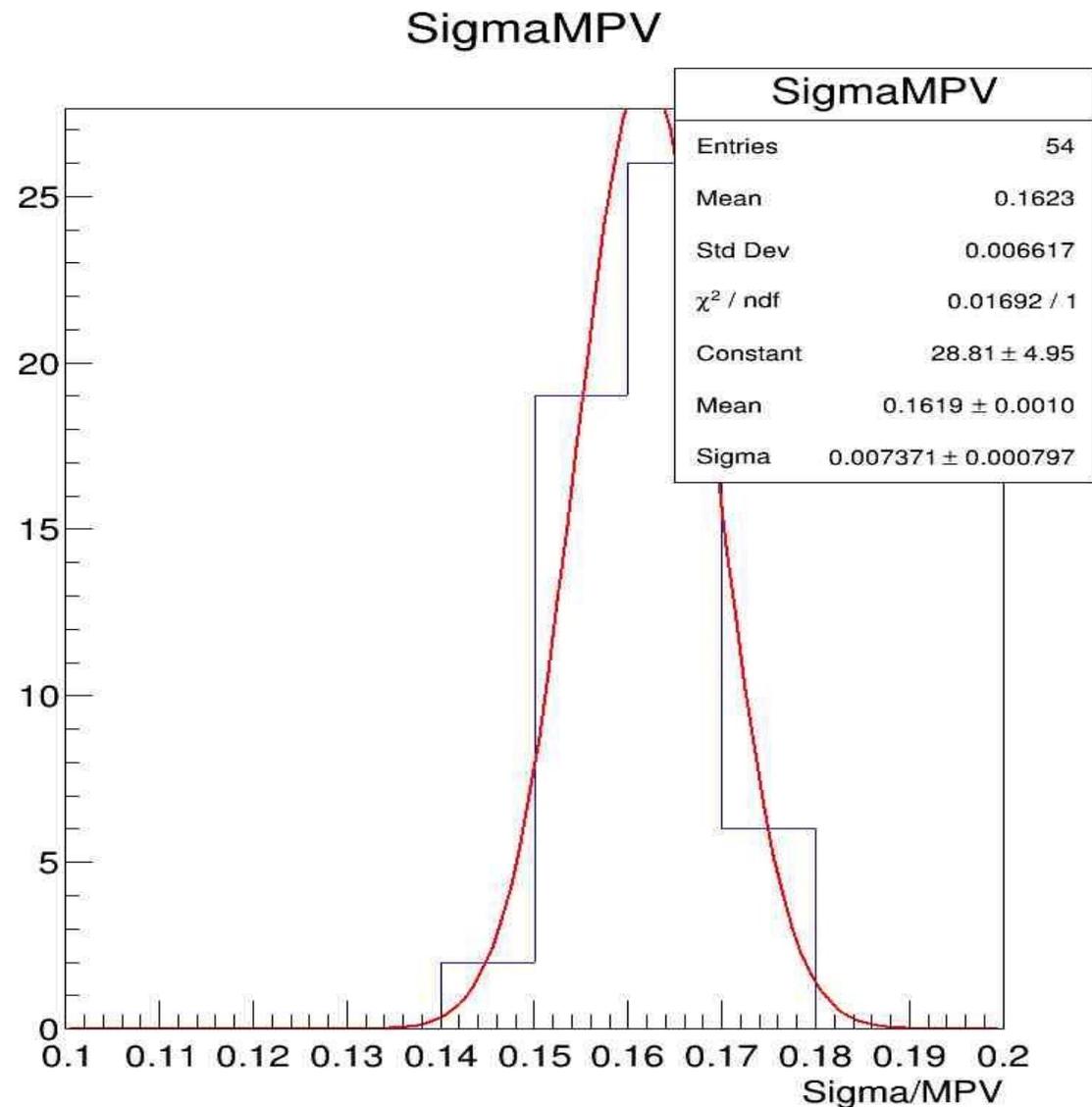
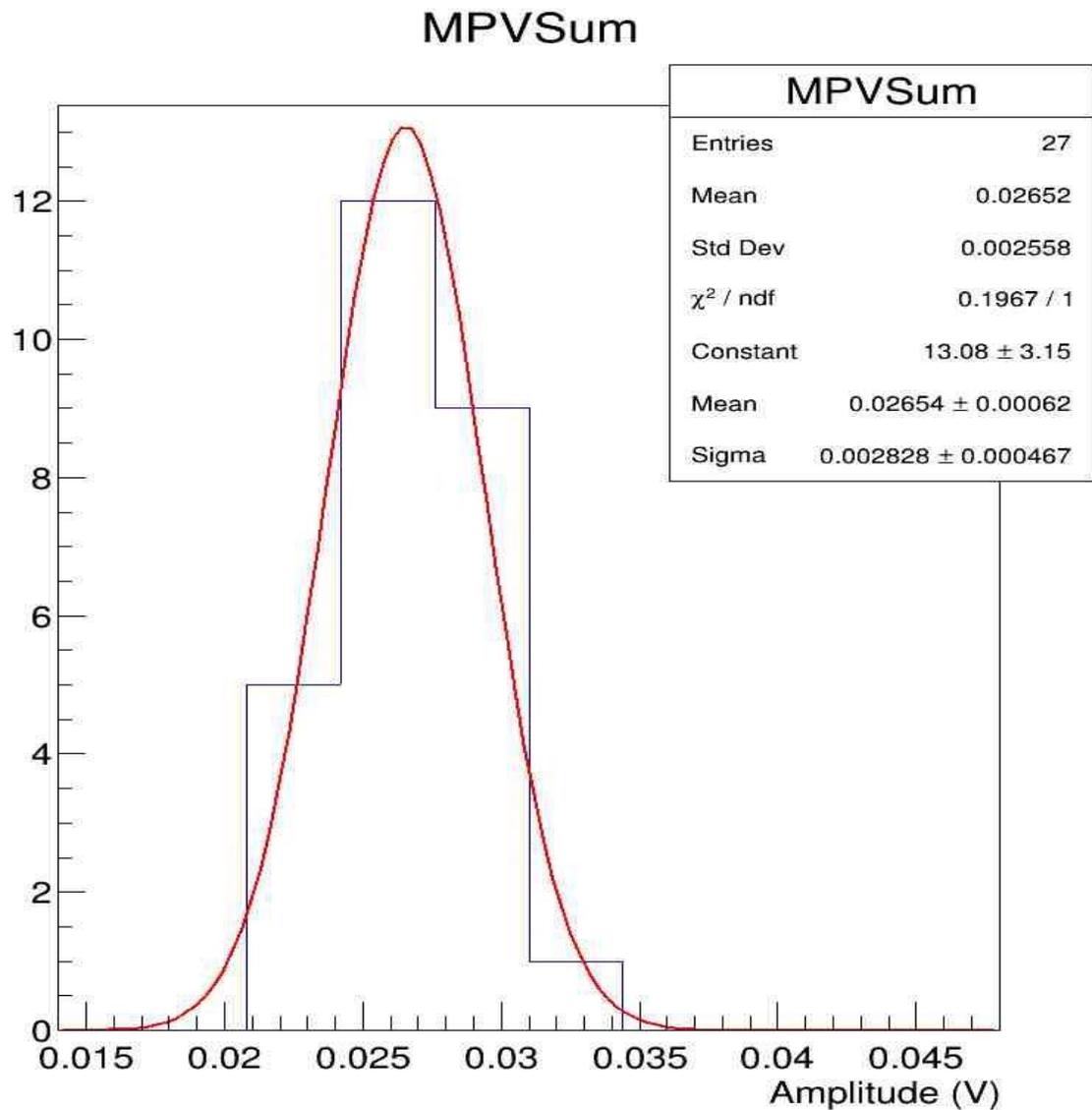
MPV1



MPV2



MPV distributions on tile surface



Landau fluctuations are larger than non uniformity for m.i.p..

Charge measurements and tracking

If tracking is available, like in Herd, the energy loss required to estimate the particle charge Z can be obtained by the estimation of the position of the track hitting the tile and a function

$F(x,y)$ relating measured amplitude and charge loss.

$F(x,y)$ can be estimated by the measurements with source in many points.

To be done

Completing the set of measurements on tile surface

(long because of weak source, 1point/1d).

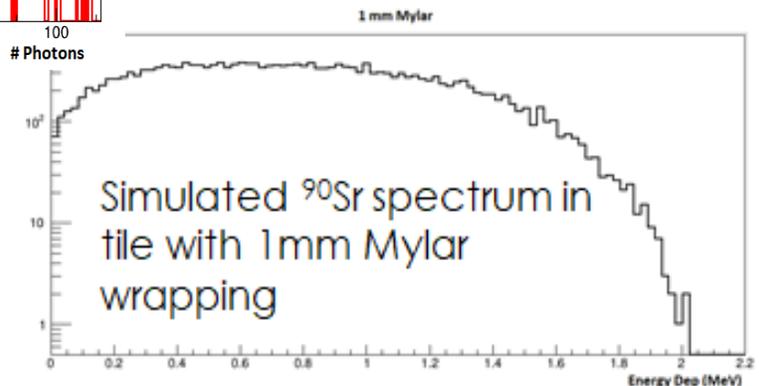
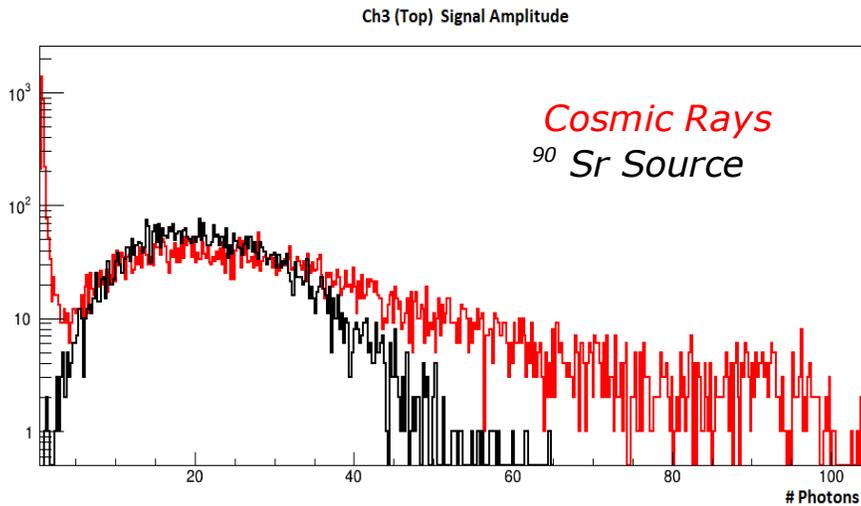
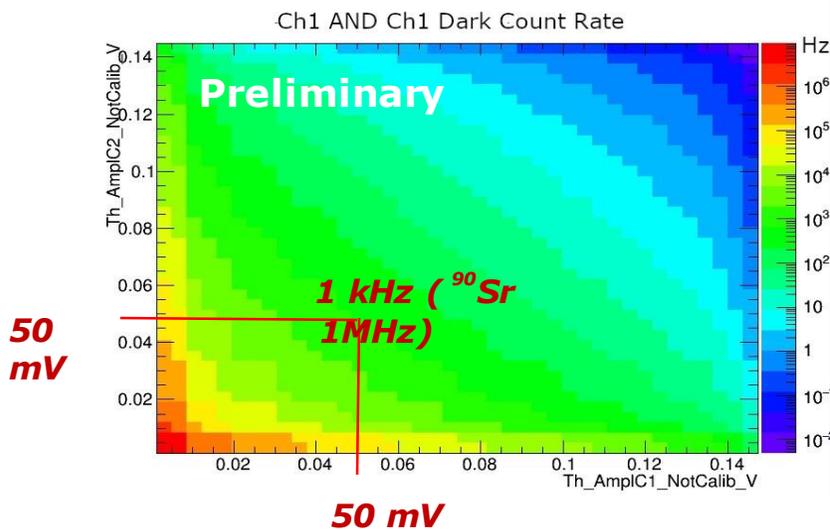
- Estimating $F(x,y)$, first approximation can be evaluated now
- Using signal area rather than peak amplitude ?
- Simulating the apparatus to understand contributions
- Better understanding of the reflections on the sides

Test with radioactive source: Bari

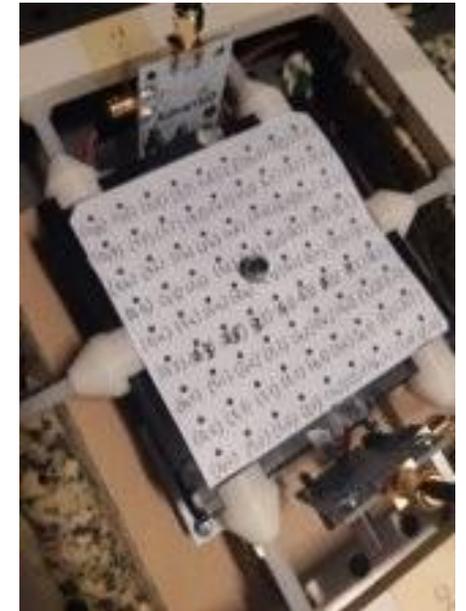
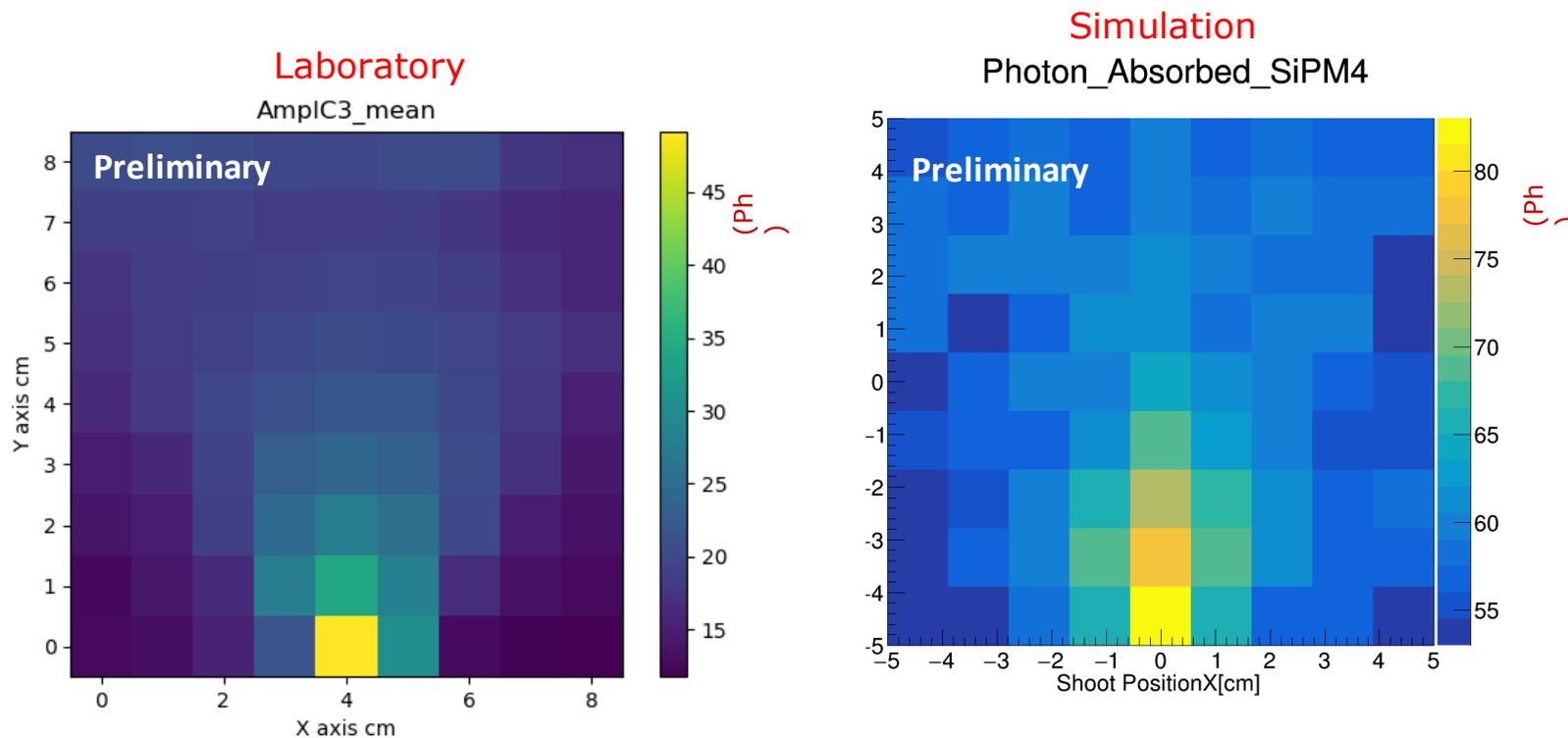
- BC-404 scintillator 10x10x1 cm³ tile tested with Cosmic rays and ⁹⁰Sr radioactive source coupled to AdvanSid NUV SiPMs (4x4 mm 4 μm cell)

Activity 39,5 μCi -> 1.49 MBq

- AdvanSid trans-impedance preamplifier
 - Trigger obtained from logic AND of two opposite SiPMs
 - Threshold set to reduce the noise trigger rate due to coincidence of dark noise of two SiPMs
- Source rate 1MHz Bkg rate 1kh



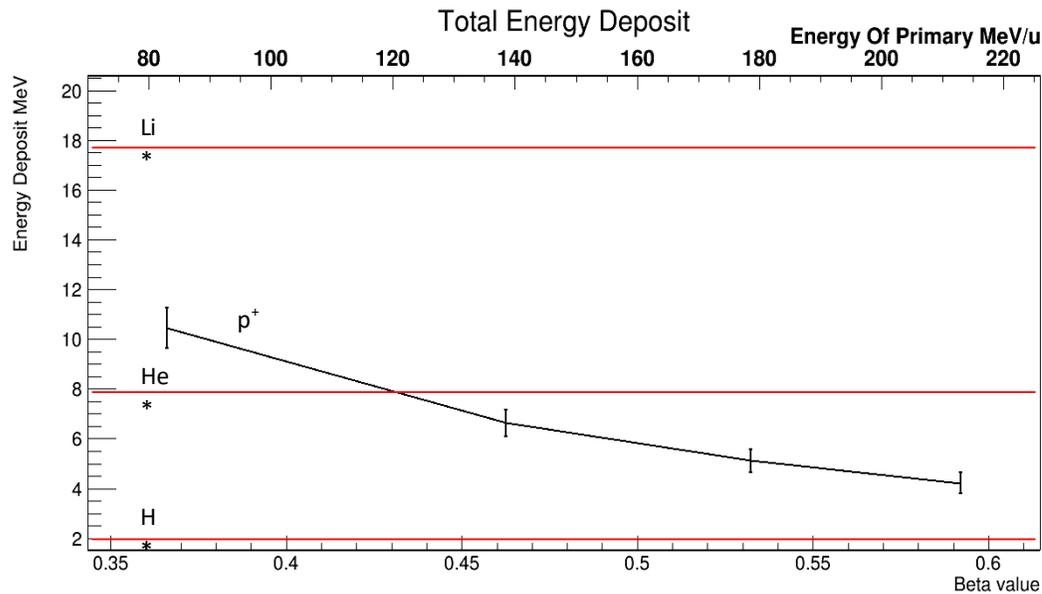
- ^{90}Sr radioactive source placed in different positions with a 1 cm step in both X and Y to study the uniformity in light collection
- The radioactive sources was simulated in different position with 1mm step in both X and Y and the results have been clustered in 1cm step



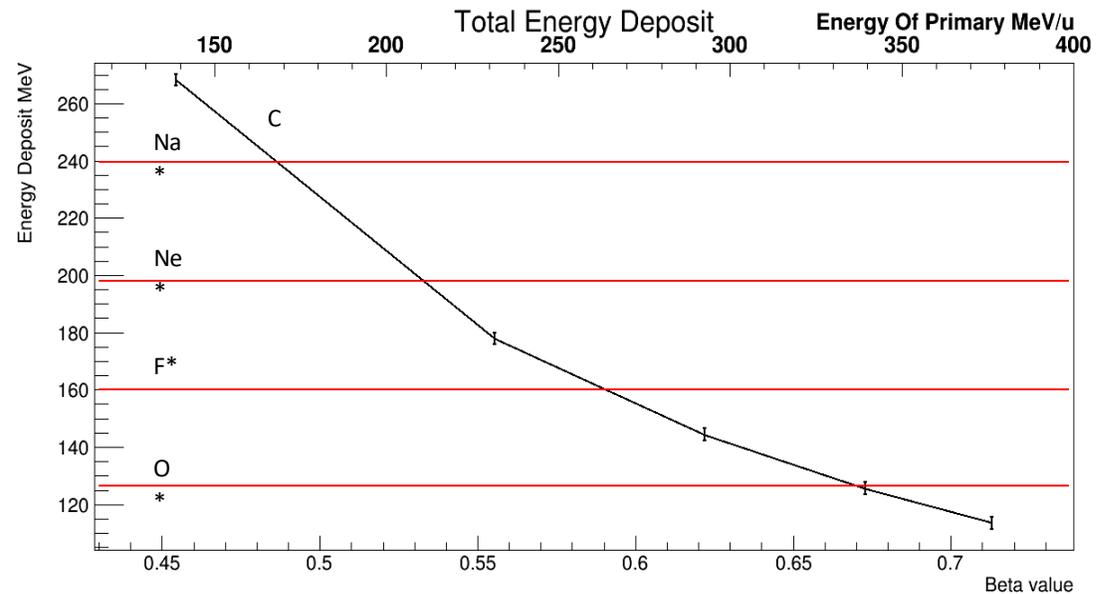
Similar distributions, but simulation does not take into account SiPM/Scintillator optical coupling and real wrapping reflectivity.

Test at CNAO: Bari tiles

- We have performed a beam test @ CNAO in July 2020
- The energy release of high Z particle with $\beta=1$ in plastic scintillator can be mimicked by low Z low β protons and C nuclei.
- At CNAO we can request different beam configuration with proton energies ranging from 80 MeV/n to 220 MeV/n and C nuclei energies ranging from 140 MeV/n to 380 MeV/n



* Kinetic Energy 150GeV/n, $\beta \sim 1$

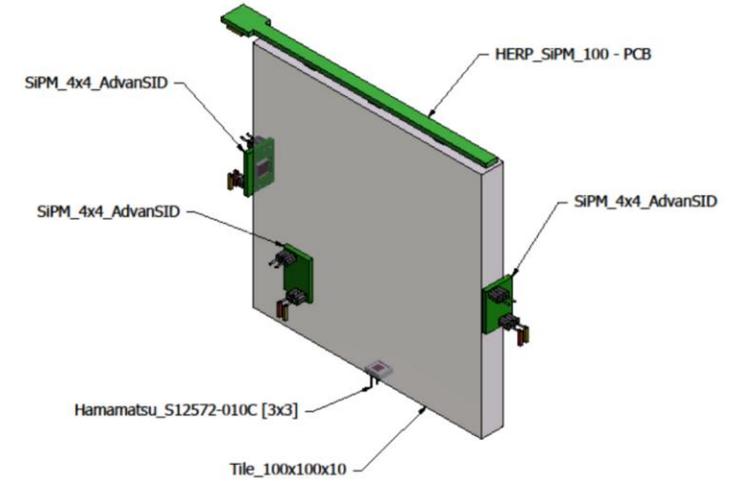
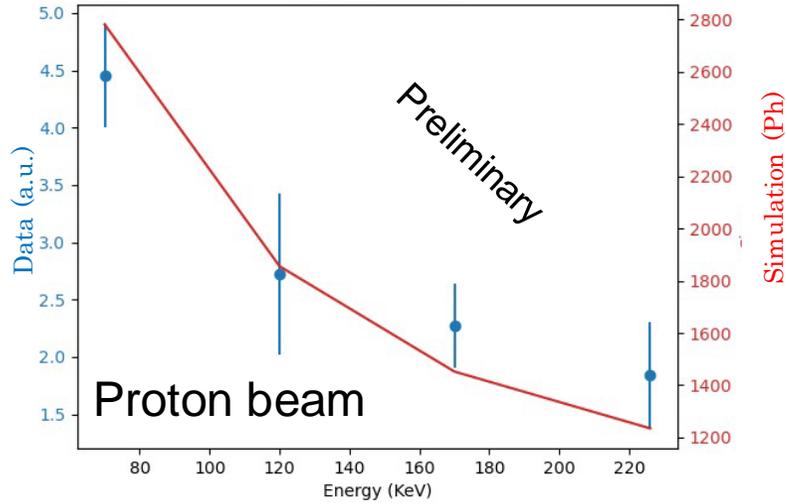


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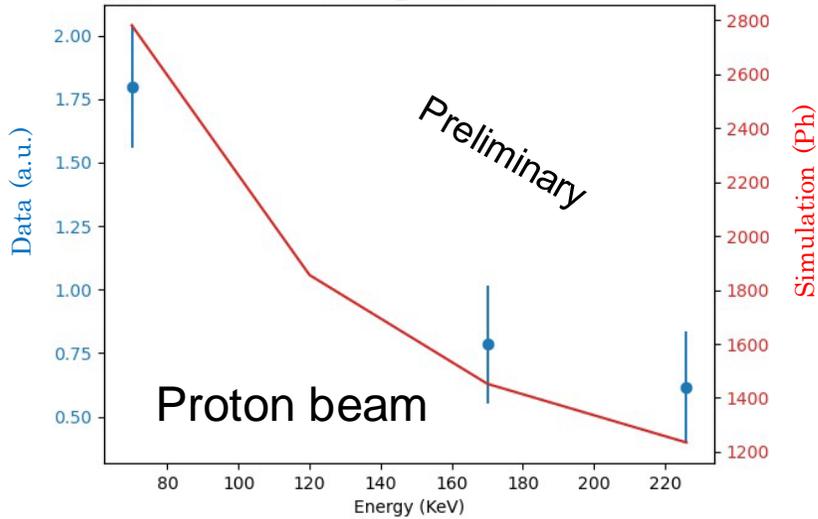
BC-404 tile coupled with Hamamatsu SiPMs 3x3 mm (15 and 50 μm cell)

Trigger obtained from logic AND of two opposite AdvansSID SiPMs

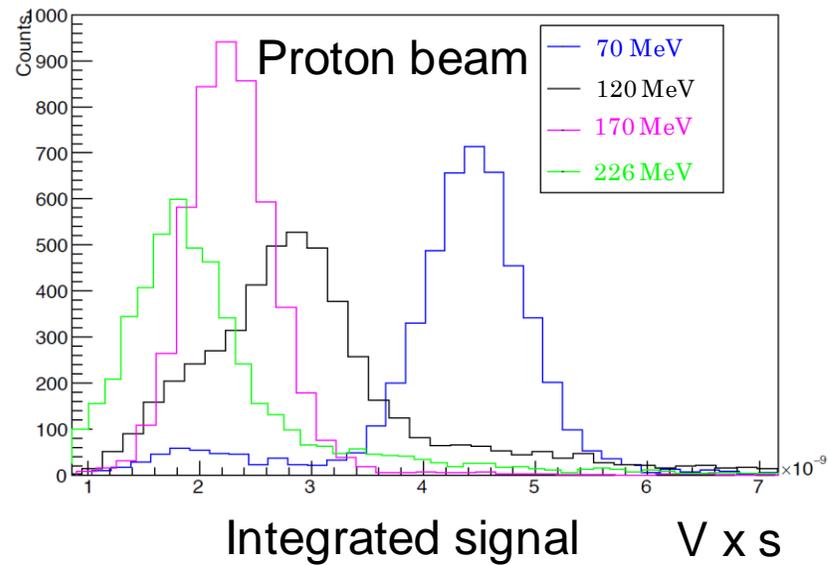
3 x S13360-3050 3x3mm - 50 μm cell



S12572 3x3 mm-15 μm cell



3 x S13360-3050 3x3mm - 50 μm cell



Long PCB for tile beam test

Long PCB for 5 tiles

5 Tiles

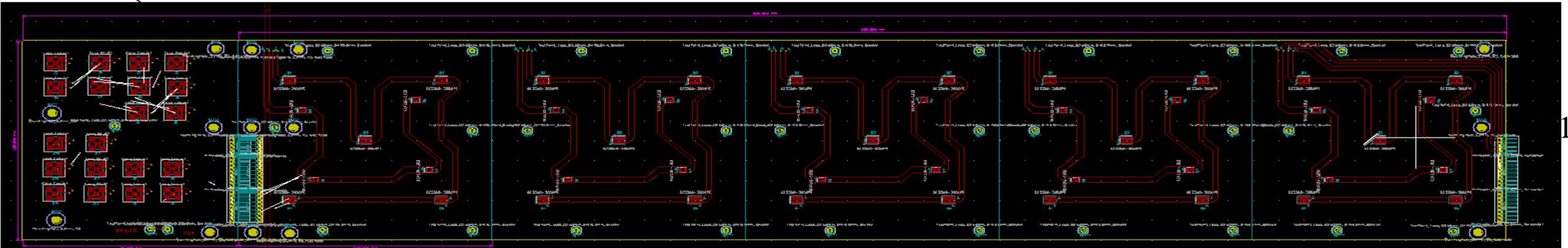
PCB

5 SiPM 3x3 mm²

4 SiPM 1.3x1.3 mm² model S14160-1310PS (Hamamatsu)

Inner paths connecting tiles and the MCX connector are matched 50 Ω in the second layer between two ground layers for shielding.

Connectors

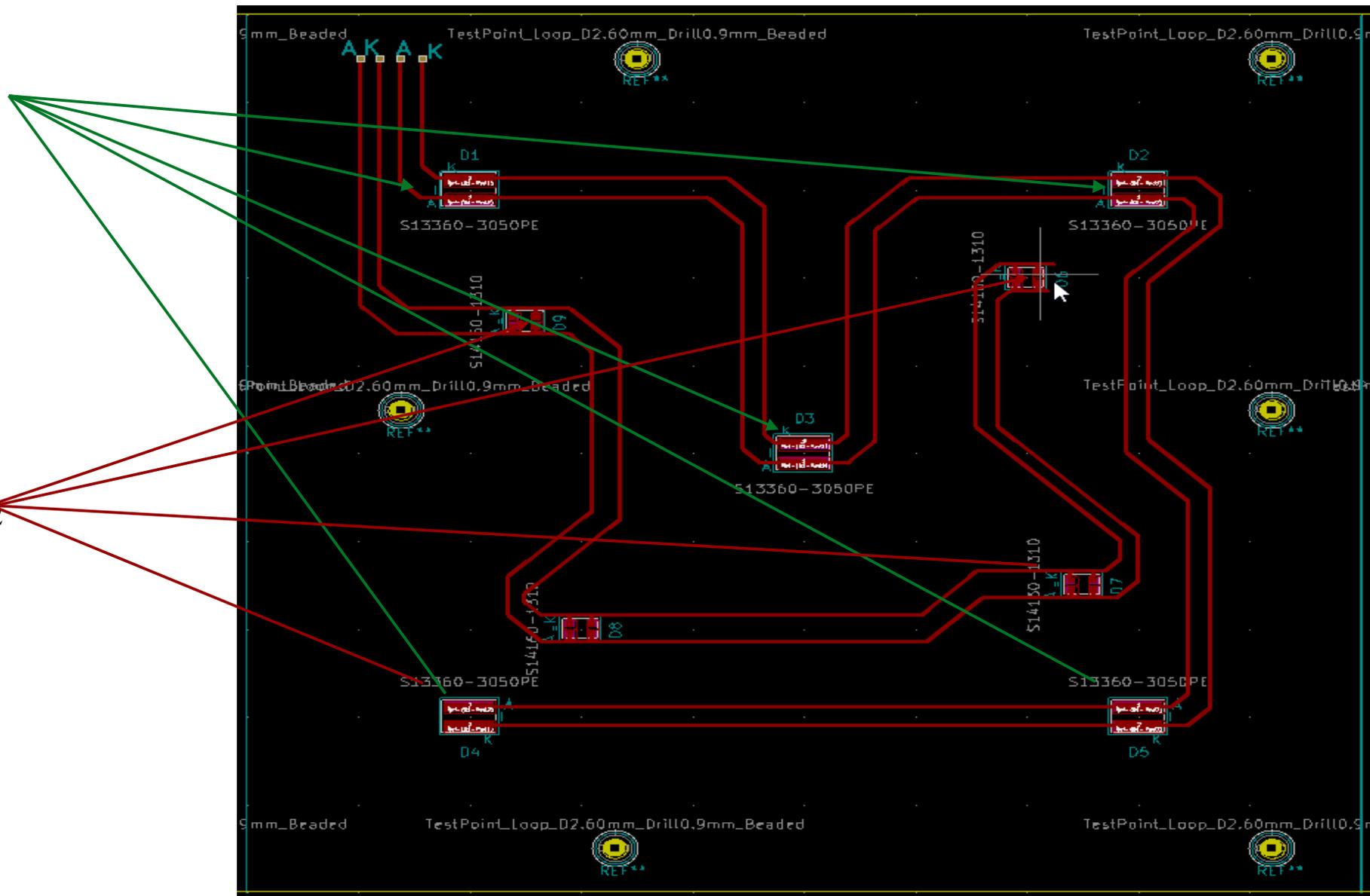


10 cm

Layout for single tile

SiPM 3x3 mm²

SiPM 1.3x1.3 mm²



Long PCB for 10 tiles

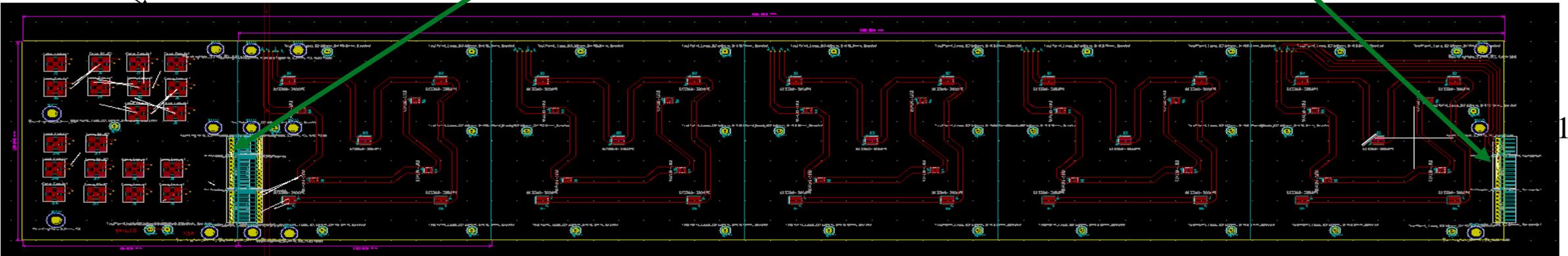
Building 1m long PCB is technically challenging.

2 PCBs 50 cm long can be ganged together with connectors.

For testing purpose in the laboratory (non for beam test) connectors on both sides of the long PCB are available.

That will allow testing tile mounted 1 m away from the output: signal attenuation and cross talk.

Connectors

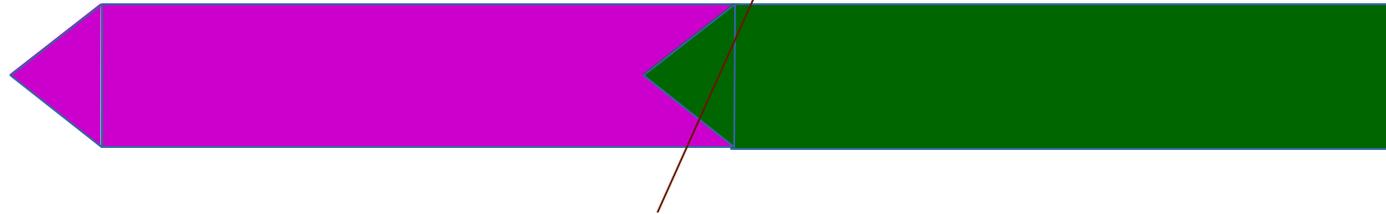


10 cm

Dove tailed tiles

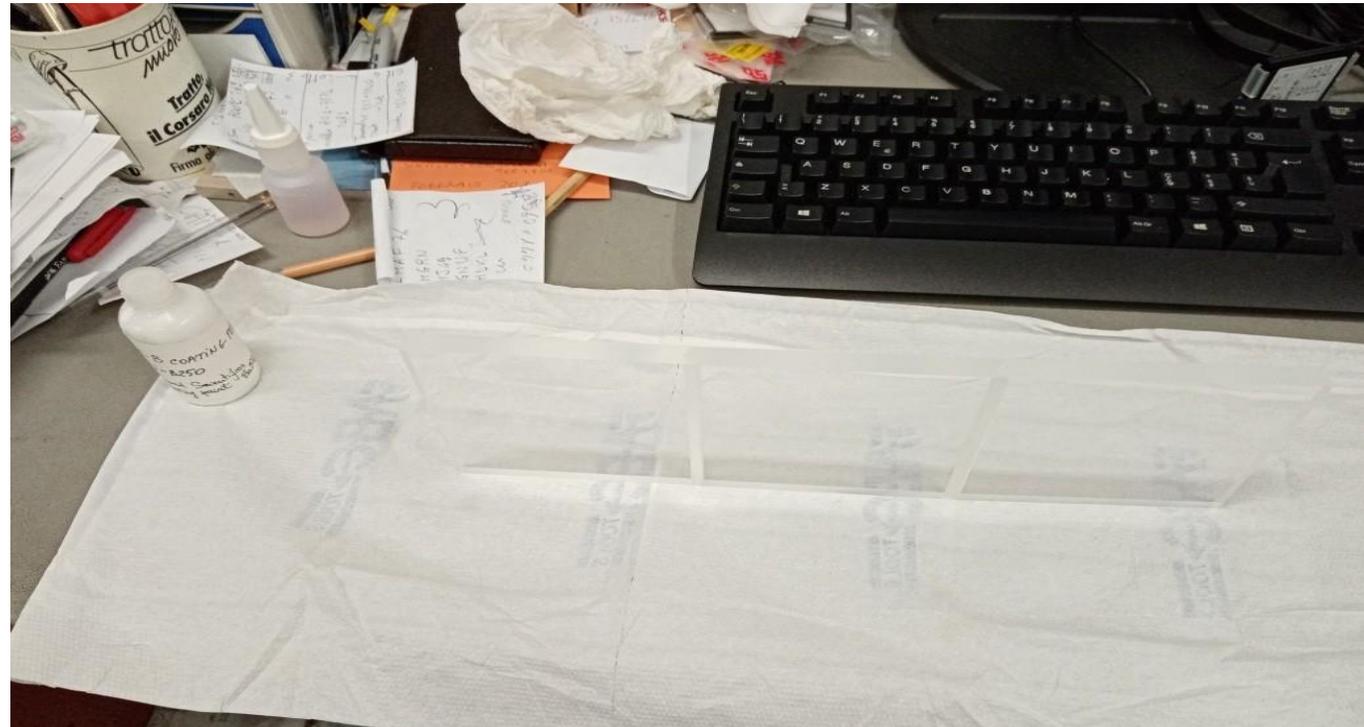
Tiles dovetailed to requires no additional material:

To cover $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ suffices.



Today we have 3 tiles with dovetailed edges to be positioned.

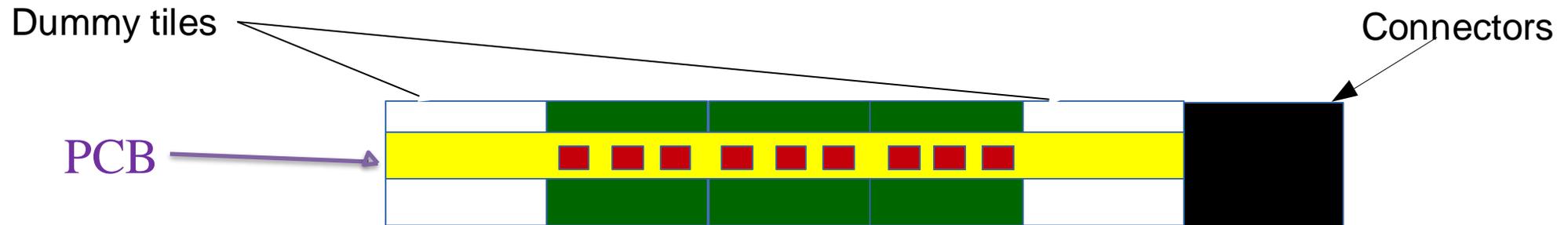
Plus one with straight edges.



Number of PCBs

Plan to produce a few 58.5 cm PCB for and start testing in laboratory.

Due to available scintillator and SiPMs in Pavia we can equip e.g. 3 active tiles along a single long PCB. Dummy tiles (plexiglass) can be positioned along the rest of PCB if components and scintillating material are missing.



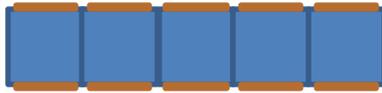
Crosstalk and attenuation along a long PCB to be studied in laboratory with radioactive source. Also ganging together two long PCB to have a 1m long PCB equivalent.

Beam Test @ CERN

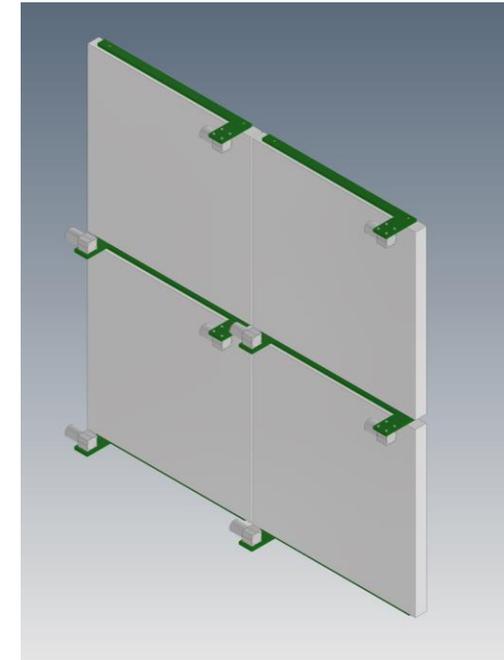
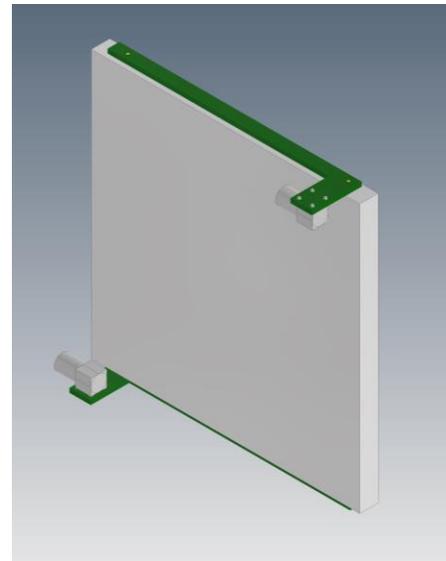
We plan to build a tile prototype with two different kind of Tile+PCB configuration: one from Pavia and one from Bari



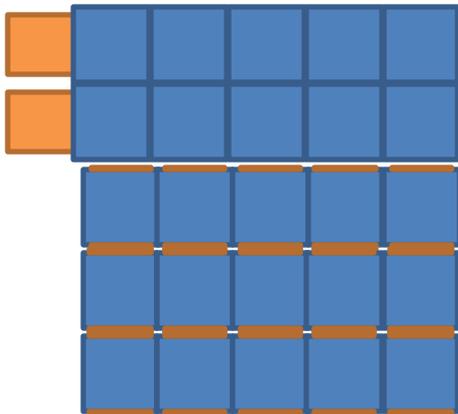
PV Ladder: 5 Scintillating tiles (10x10cm)+ 1 long PCB (10x60cm)



BA Ladder: 5 Scintillating tiles (10x10cm)+ 10 short PCBs - two per tile



Tile prototype active area 50x50cm



With the support of our engineer colleagues, we will design a mechanics similar to the one designed for the bars prototype

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