

RPC-FEE

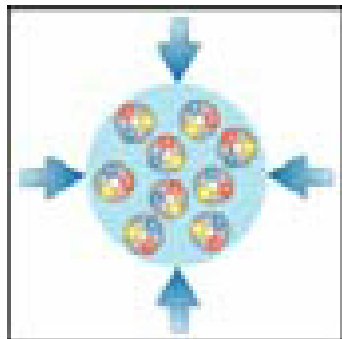
Progress Report

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Outline

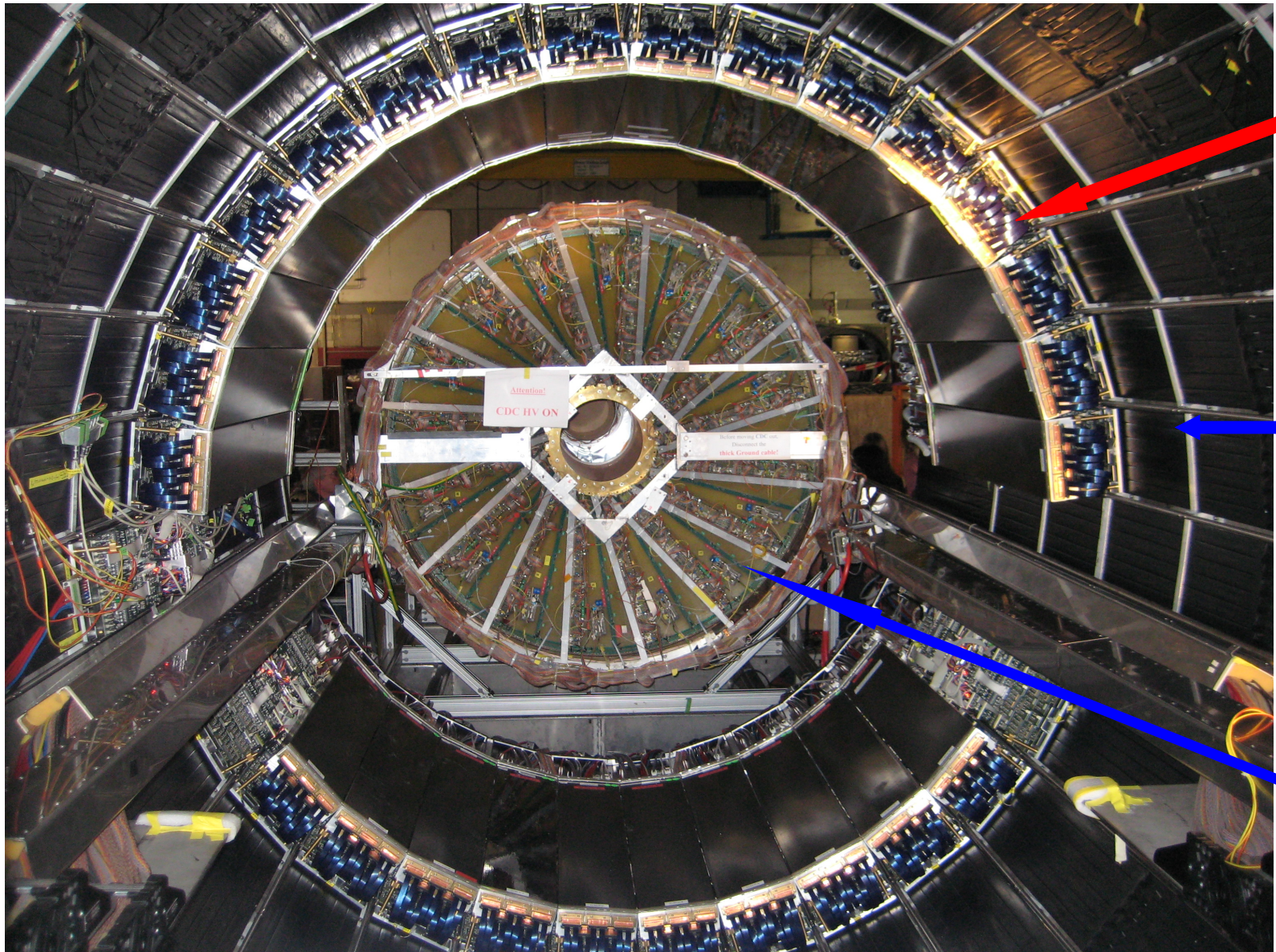
- Status of the FOPI RPC-Front End Electronics.
- For time offsets and position calibration, a new RPC calibration detector has been designed.
- First tests results of the PADI (3ch) prototype connected to a SC 4 pixels Diamond Detector will be presented.
- Summary and Outlook

FEE Status (September 2007)



1. We prepare the ToF FOPI upgrade: 28 super modules are now mounted in the final position and are tested in test beam,
There are 4480 channels for the main measurement (time and charge) and 64 channels for auxiliary measurements (start, clocks, LAAPD).
2. We have designed a new auxiliary RPC calibration detector for each RPC super module, to determine independent time offsets, walk and the position with measured data.
3. The new ASIC - PADI (PreAmplifier Discriminator) was initially designed for RPC detectors, but can also be used to read out Diamond Detectors. We used the opportunity to test PADI under beam conditions, together with a SC 4 pixels Diamond Detector, to evaluate two important issues:
 - the PADI to detector connection
 - the PADI rate stability under beam conditions

The FOPI upgrade is now in the first test



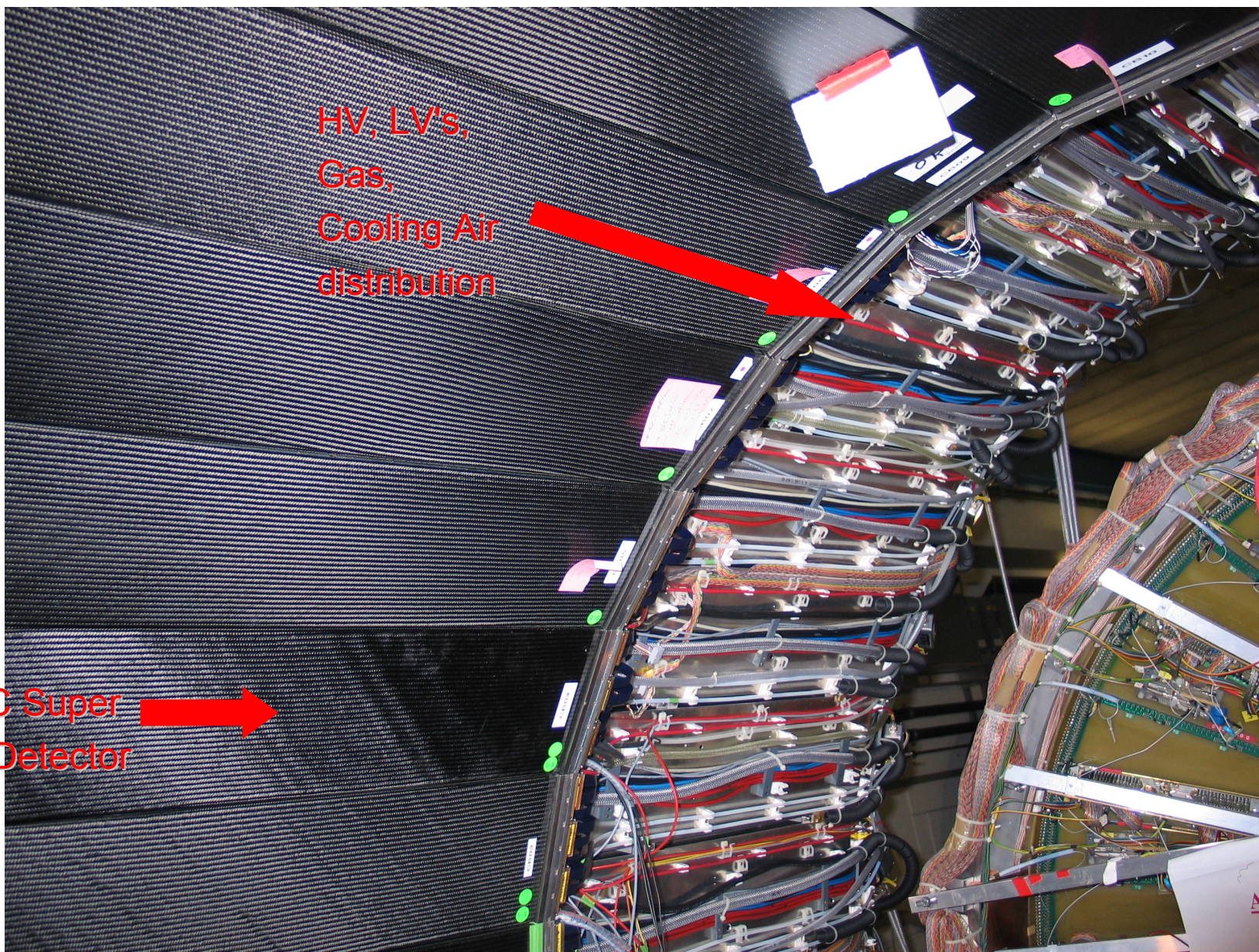
The RPC
barrel
detector

The Plastic
barrel
detector

The CDC
detector



Some details...



HV, LV's,
Gas,
Cooling Air
distribution

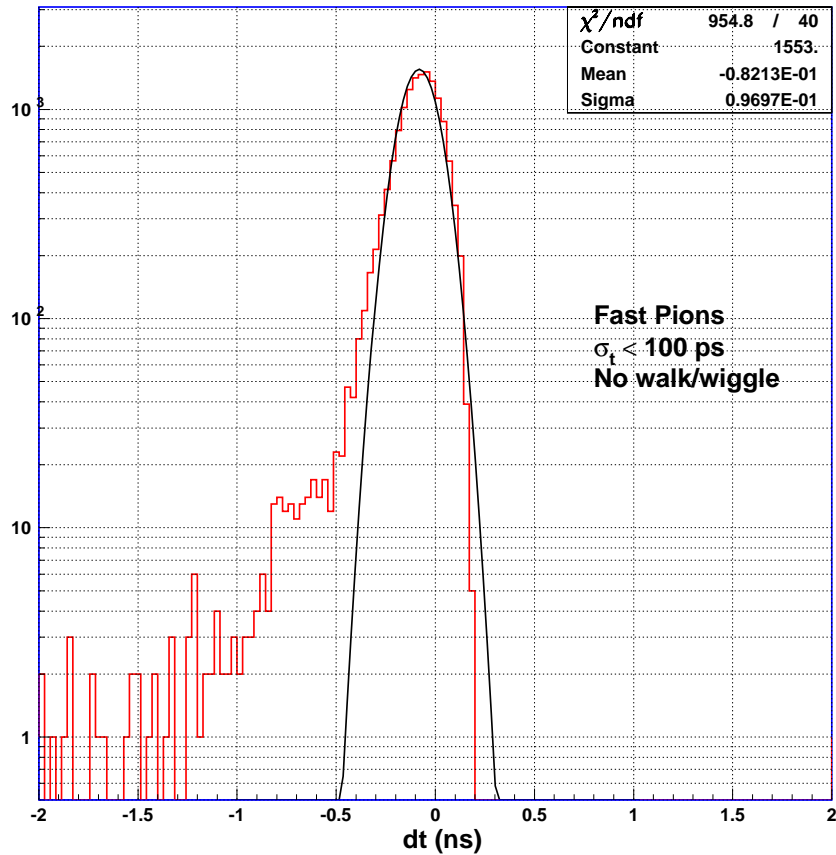
The RPC Super
Module Detector



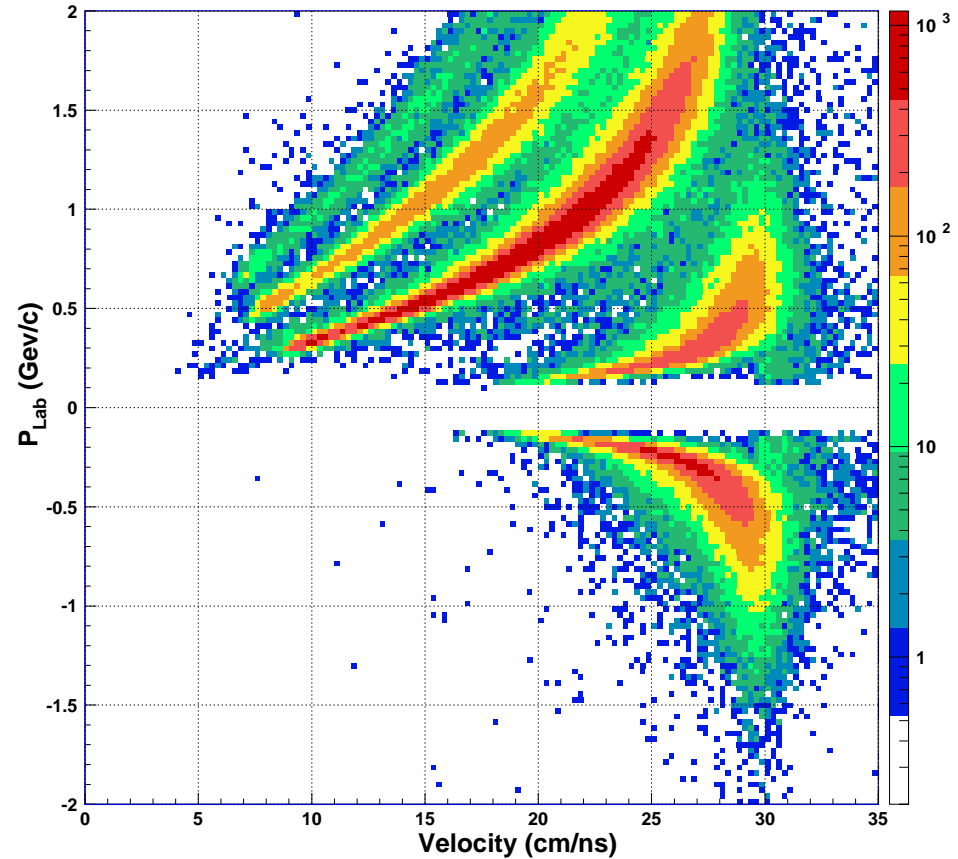
First "in beam" results!

PRELIMINARY

Ni+Ni 1.93 AGeV



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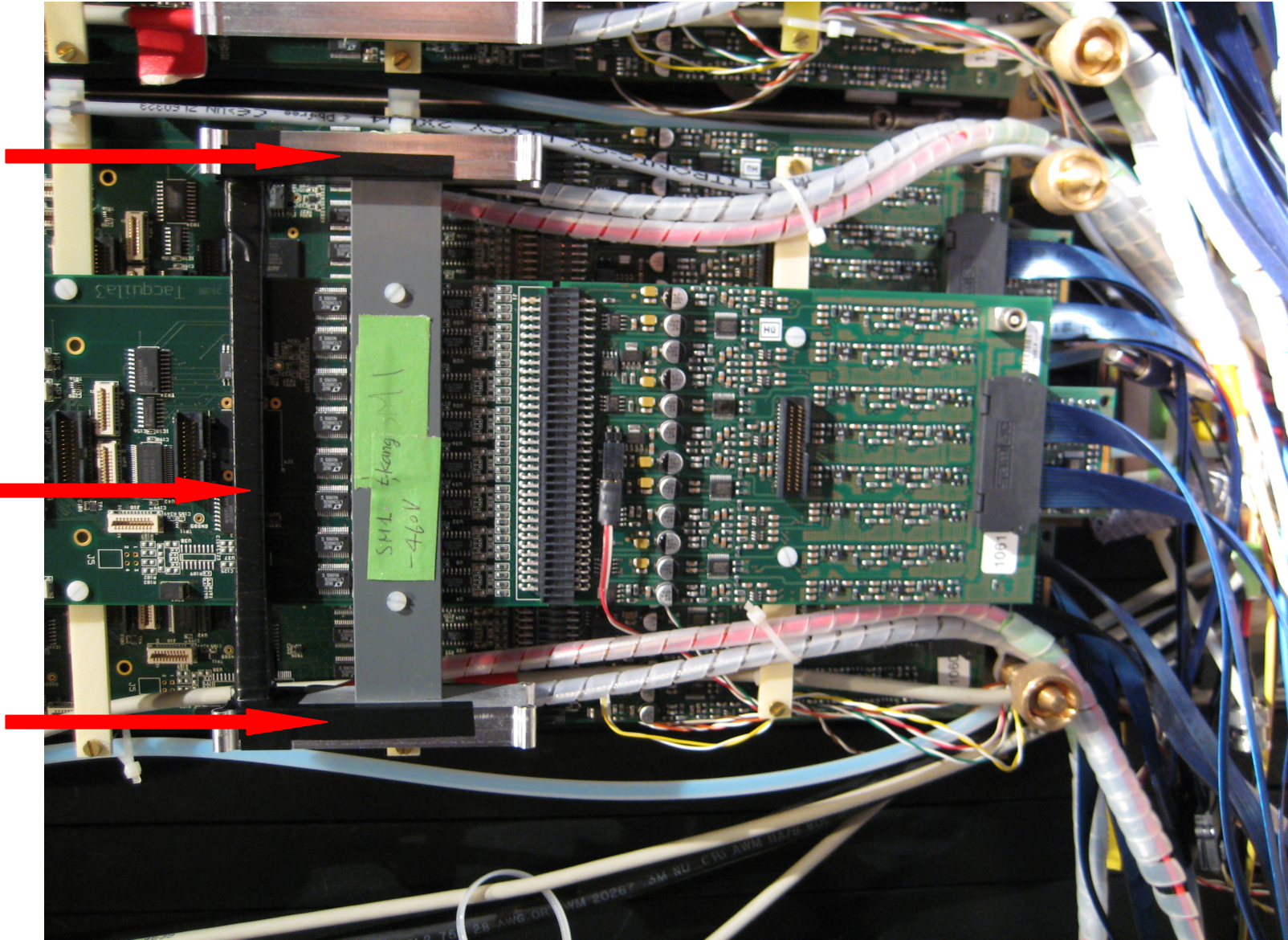


For RPC time offsets and position calibration,
a new calibration detector has been designed

LAAPD
and
TCSPA3

155 mm x
8 x 8 mm²
plastic
Scintillator
BC408

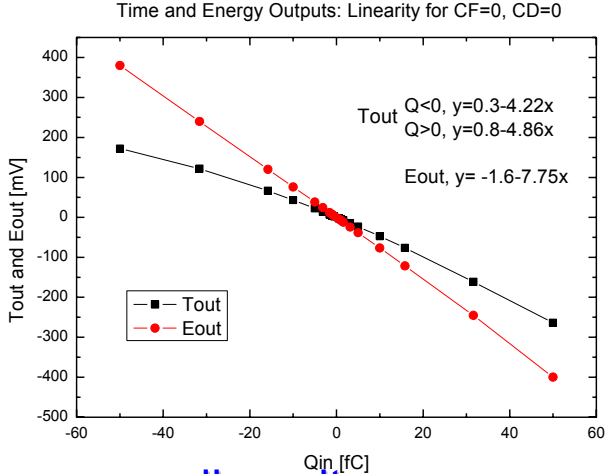
LAAPD
and
TCSPA3



LAAPD (S8664-60K Hamamatsu) + Scintillator (BC408) + T_CSPA3



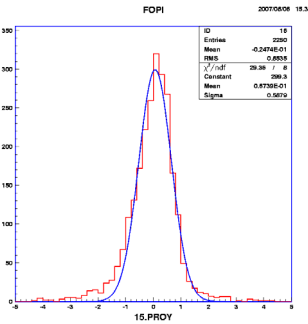
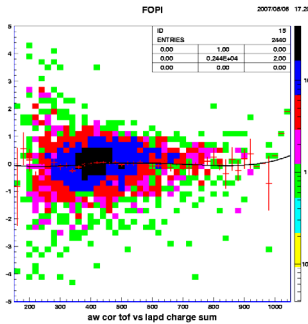
Beta ray
scope signals:
Time Output
Energy Output



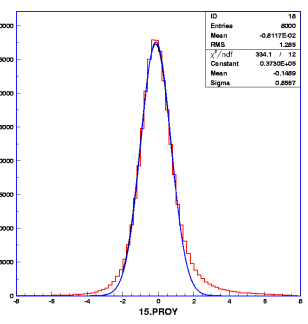
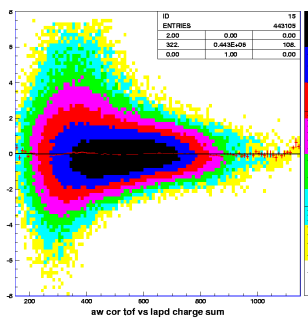
linearity

T_CSPA3

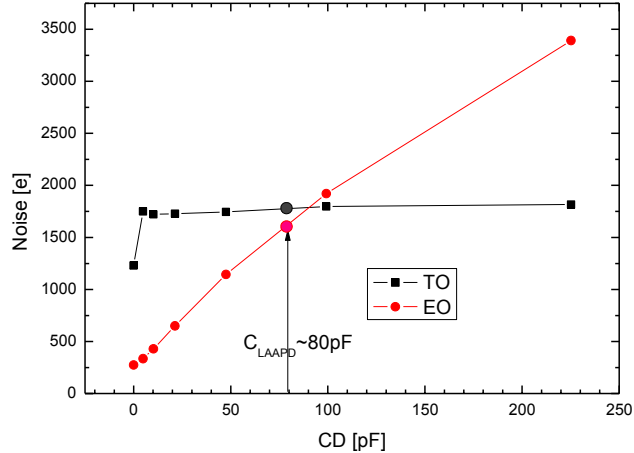
noise



Cosmic ray
 $\sigma_T < 600$ ps



Gamma ray
 $\sigma_T < 600$ ps

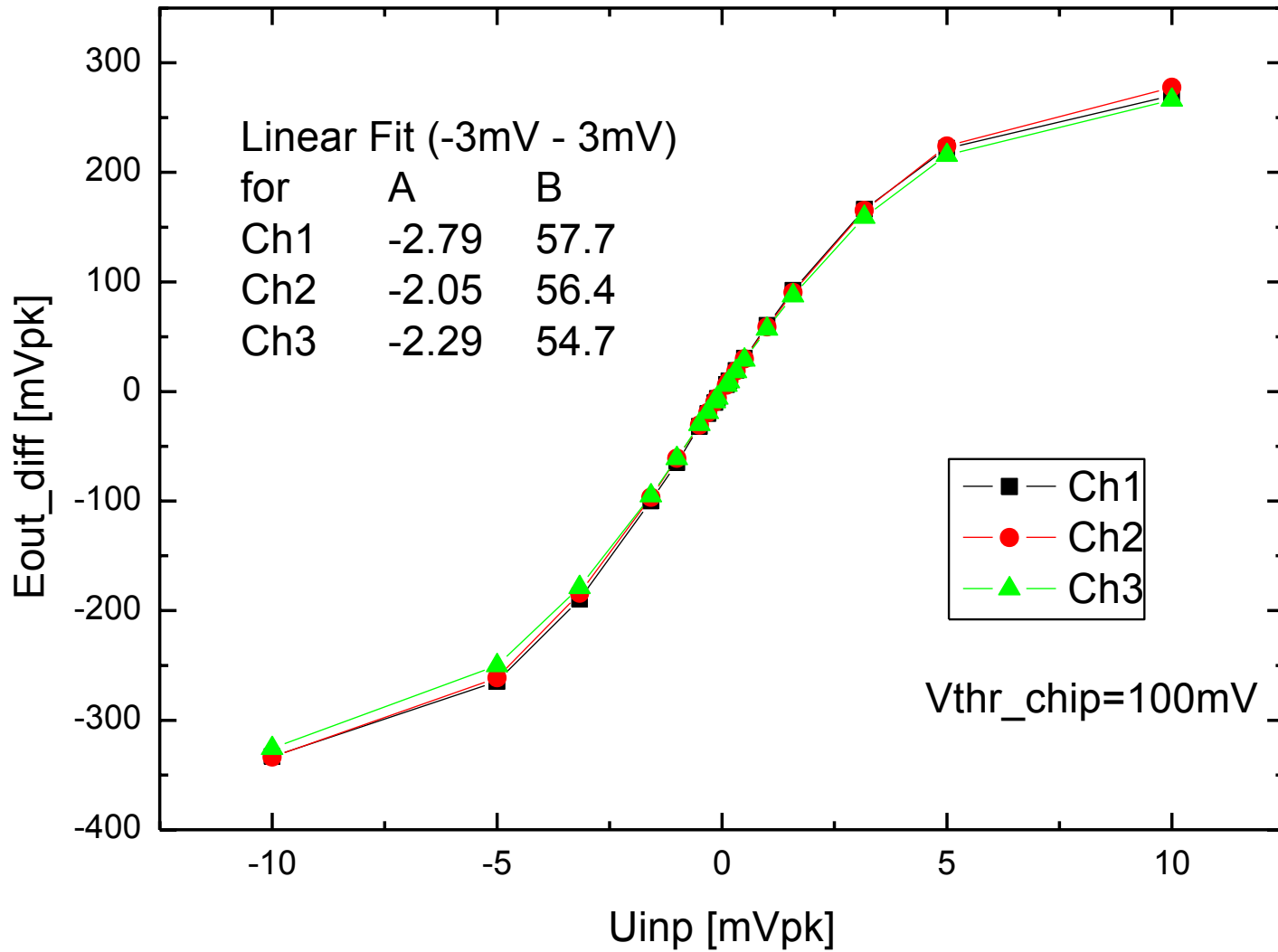


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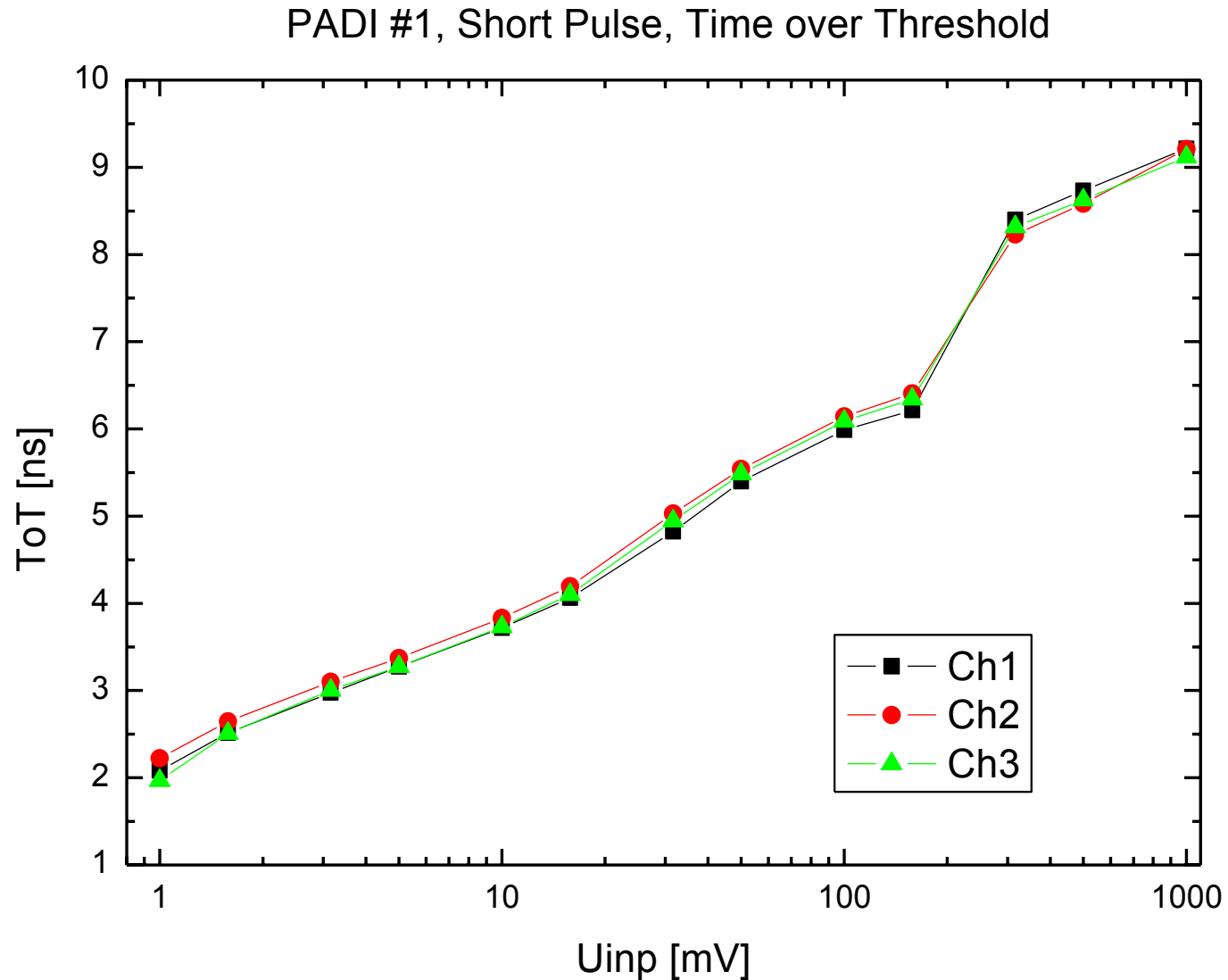
PADI prototype Linearity: Pulse Measurement

PADI #2, Linearity, 5.5ns pulse applied at positive and negative inputs





PADI prototype Time over Threshold behavior

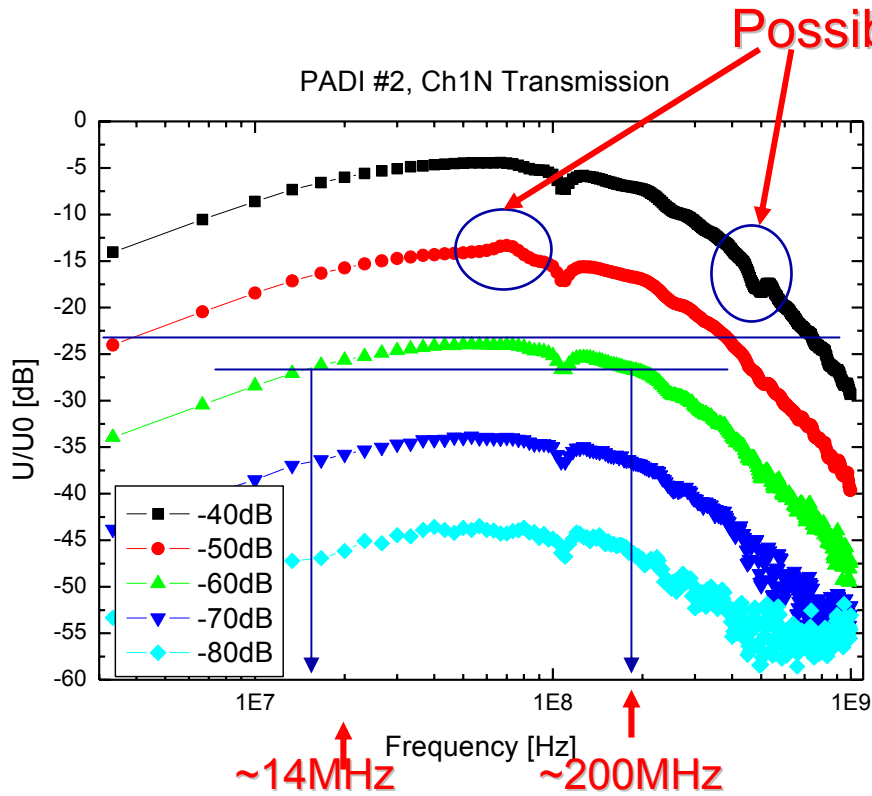


PADI prototype

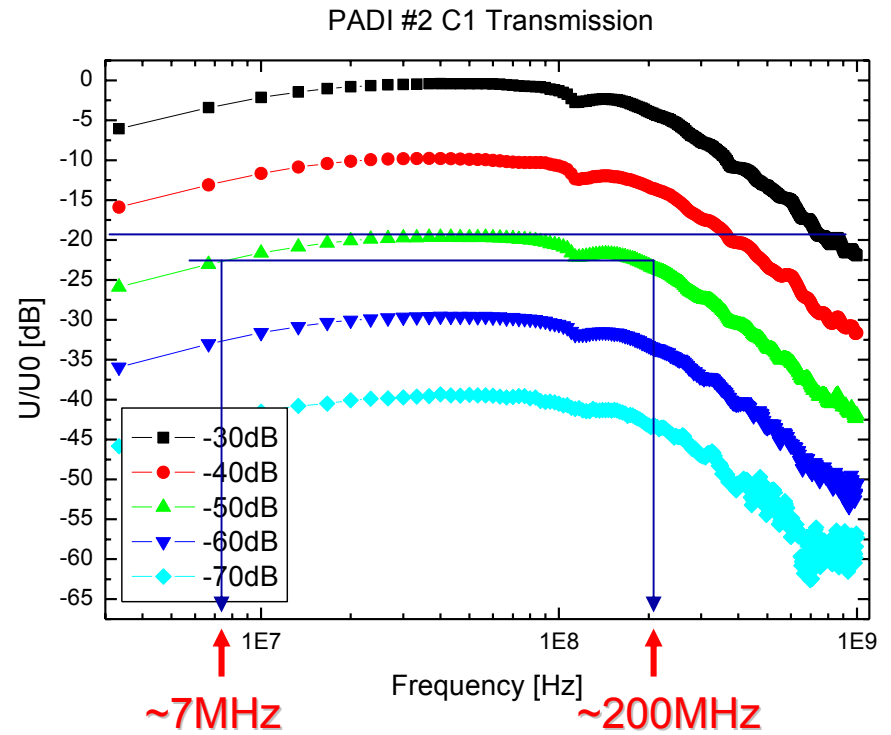
@R_{ext}=24 Ω

AC Transmission Measurement

@R_{ext}=6Ω



Gain ~ -23dB+60dB=37dB



Gain ~ -19dB+50dB=31dB



PADI prototype

Other Measurements...

- DC Power Consumption:

31[mW/ch]

- DC Threshold Calibration:

The transfer characteristics from the threshold voltage applied to PADI terminals to energy output is:

0.334 ($\sigma=0.022$)

- Input impedance measurements:

1. AC method : Questionable!
2. TDR method adapted for low level signals, with "T"
3. TDR adapted for low level signals, with a directional coupler
4. Short pulse method for low level signals, directional coupler

$Z_{INP}[\Omega]$

27-96

35-67

42-59

48-58

- Crosstalk measurements:

PADI (AC @75MHz) [dB]

PADI Pulse Meas. [dB]

CTRR32

25-30

>40

CTRR31

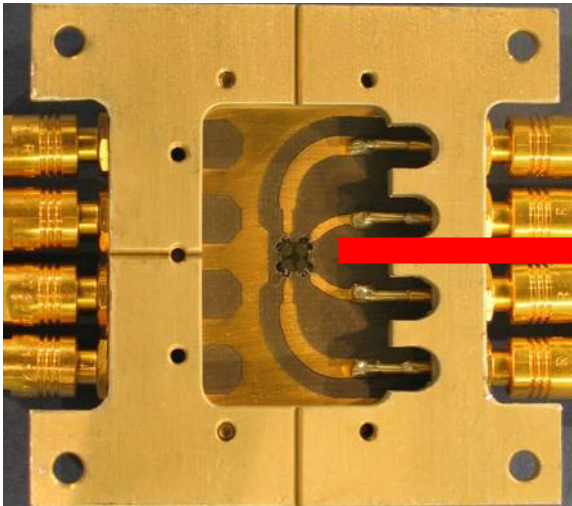
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- Common Mode Rejection Ratio Measurement

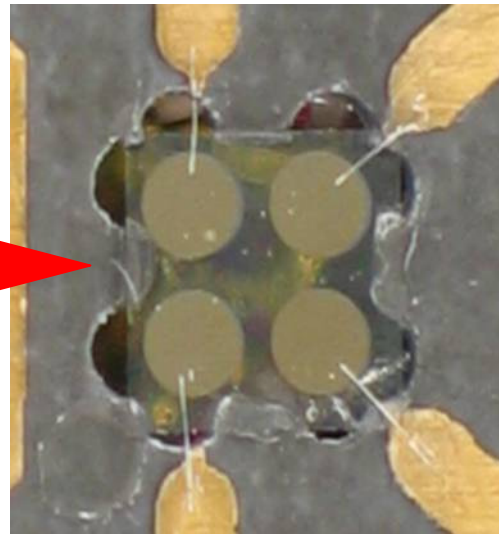
PADI Pulse Meas. [dB]

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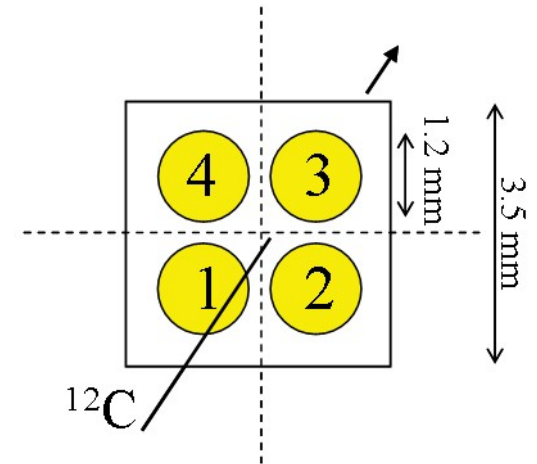
Detector used: Diamond SC with 4 pixels



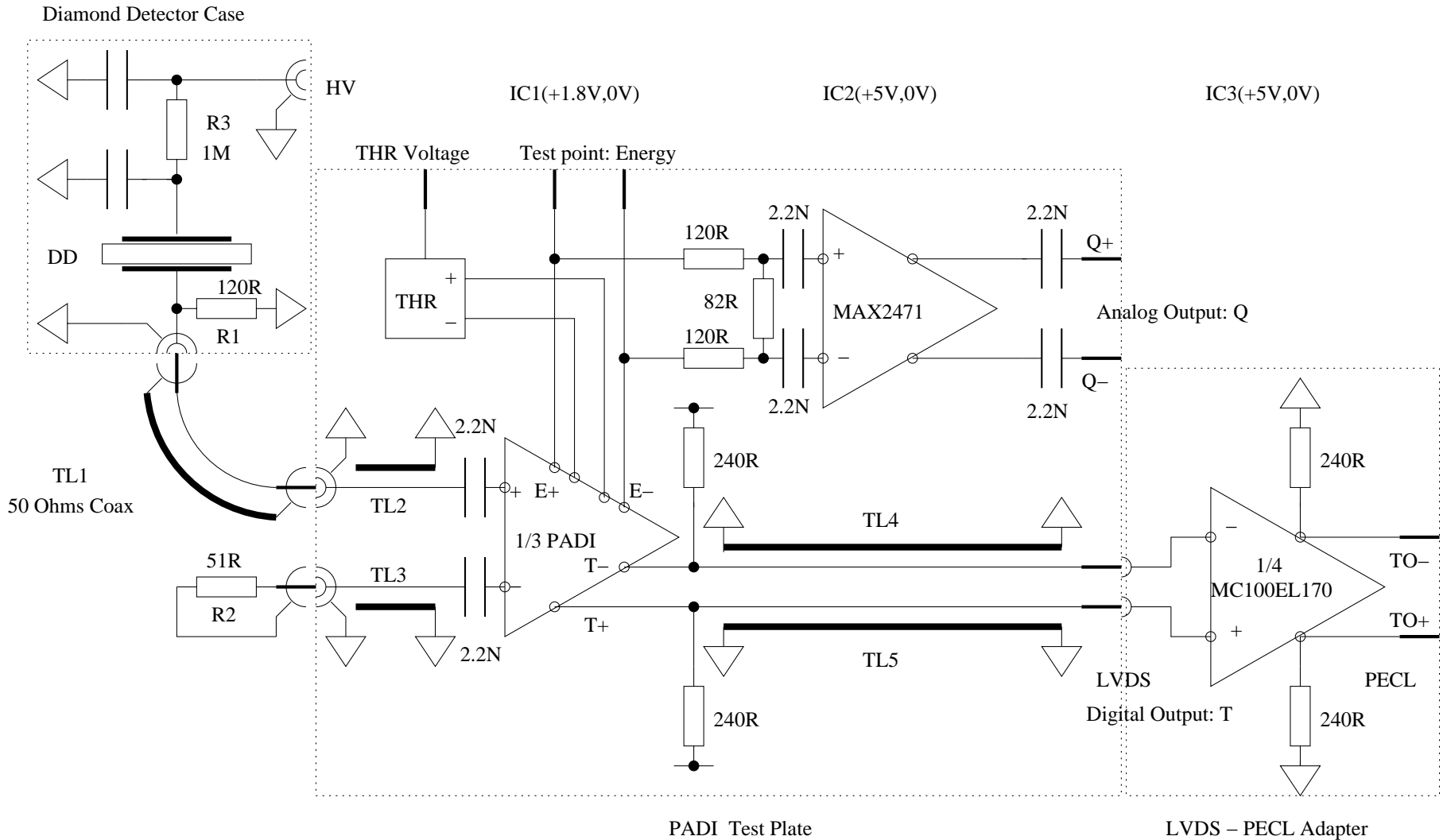
Diamond mounting case



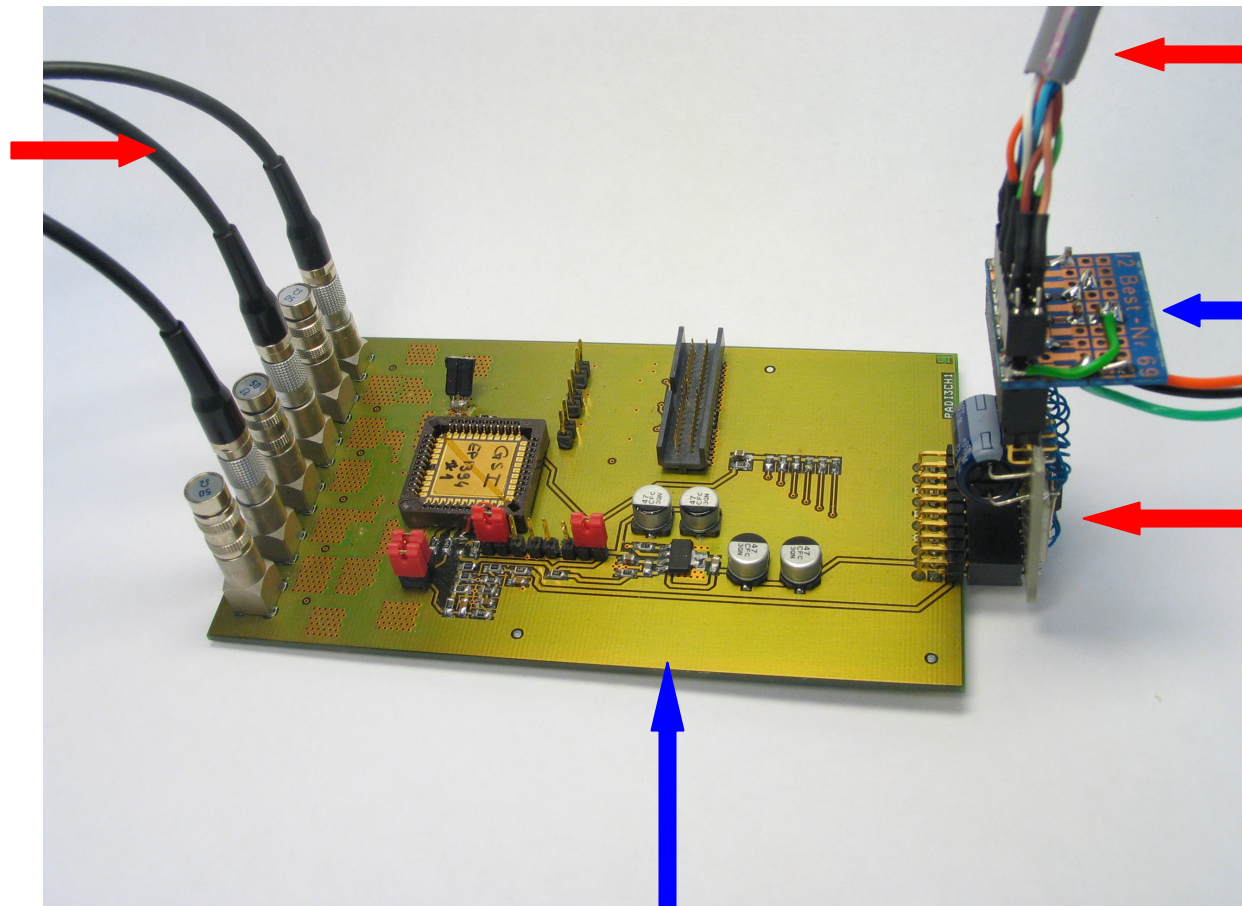
SC Diamond with 4 pixels



PADI one channel schematics



The PADI together with a SC Diamond (4 pixels) detector



Connection's
with
SC Diamond
Pixel Detector

Time Output's
LAN-K5 cable
~2.1m

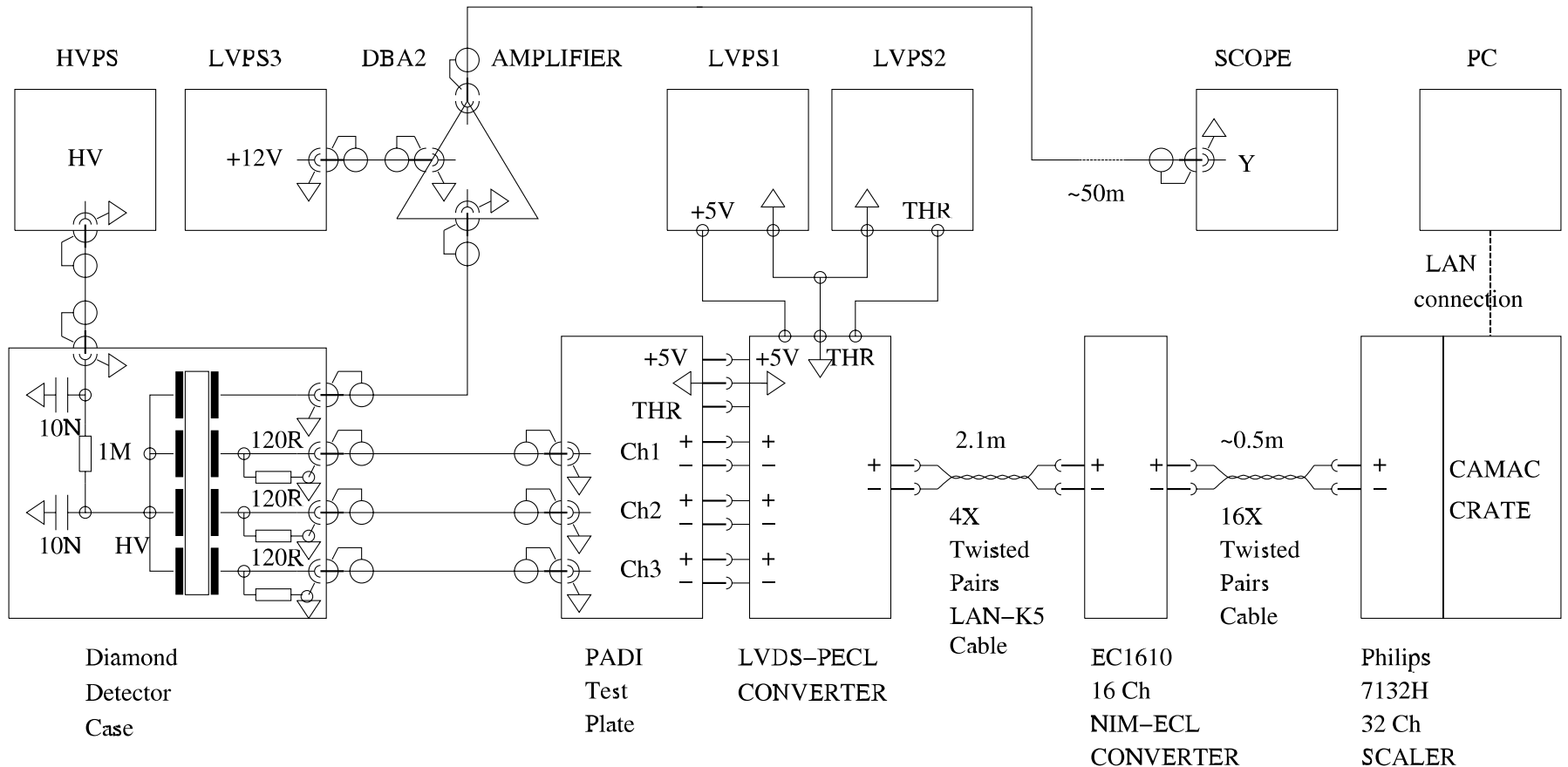
Interface PCB
+5V,GND,THR
connections

LVDS-PECL
Converter PCB

PADI test PCB



The whole block schematics setup



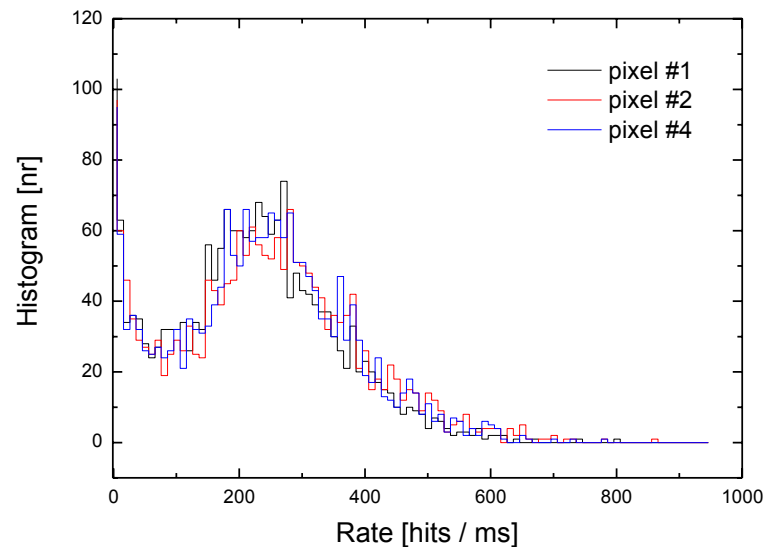
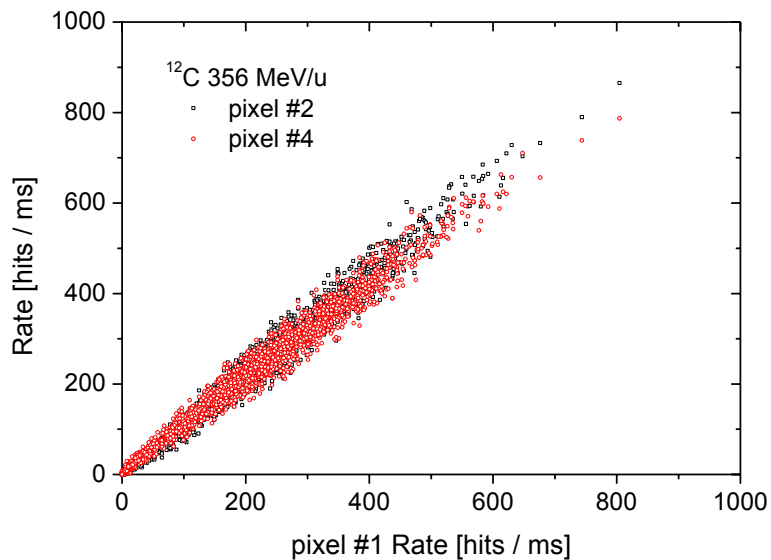
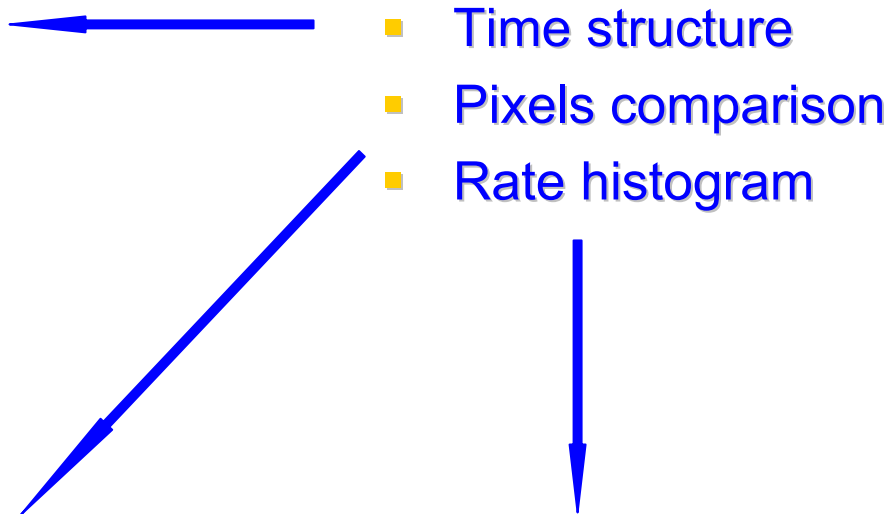
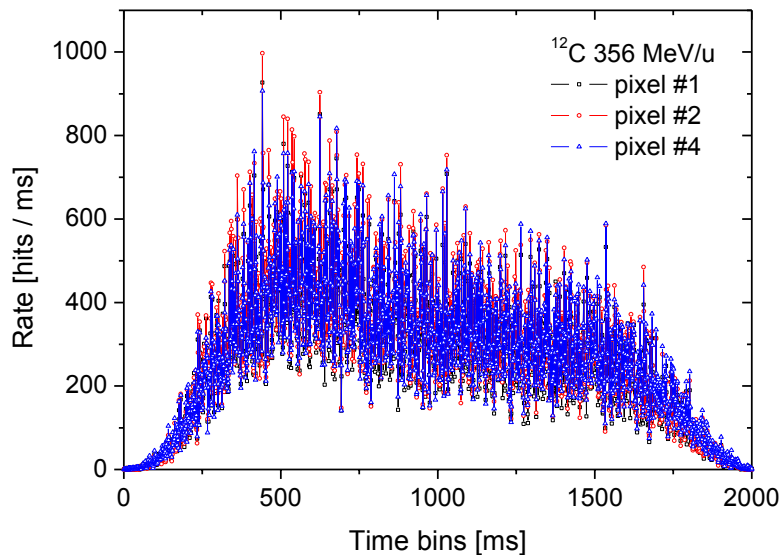
The scaler was programmed to measure rates in 1ms time slices.

The setup was optimized for high rate measurements:

For each channel the maximal rate is 1.5×10^8 [hits/s]



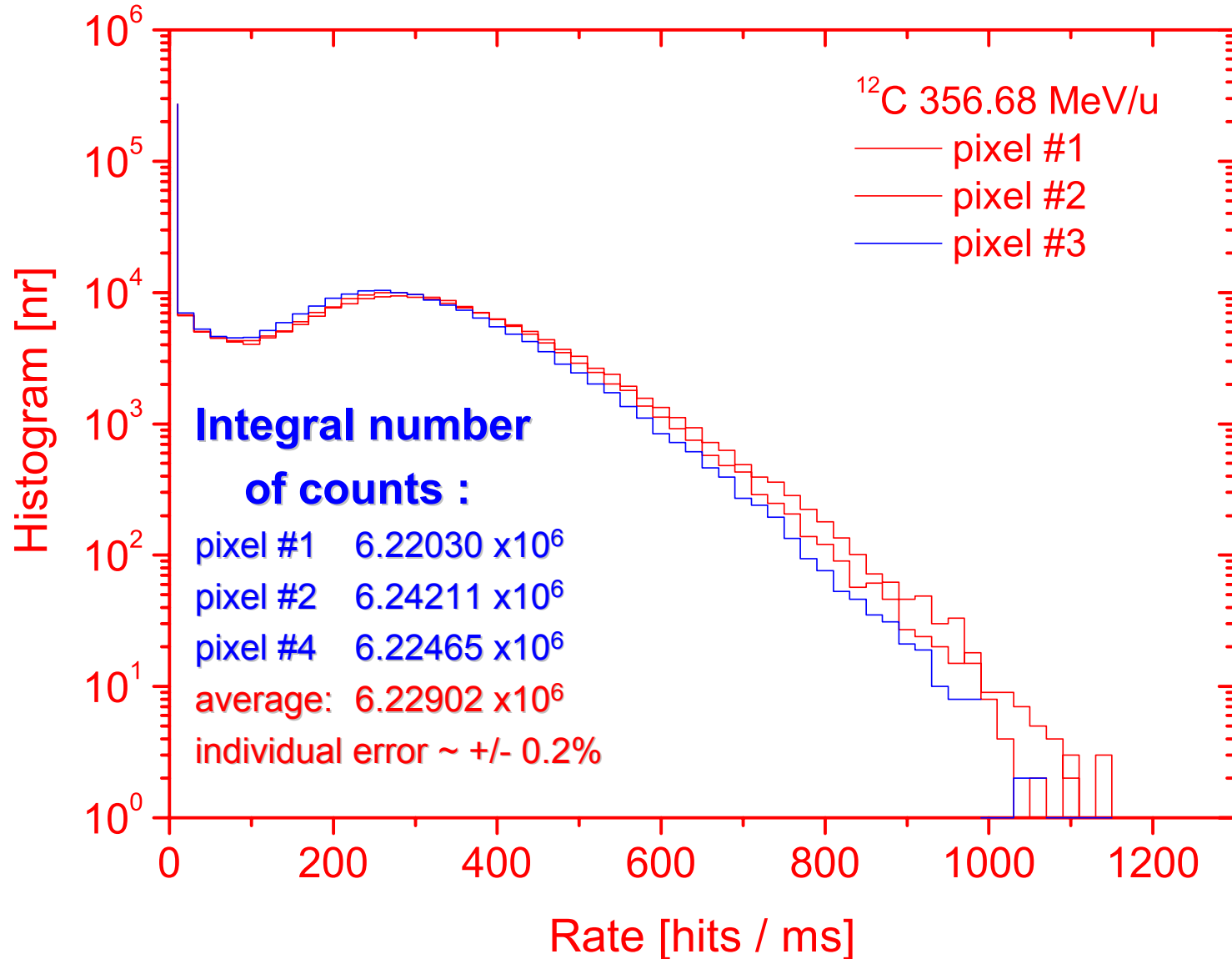
Typical results in one spill time





Rate Histogram for 110 spills

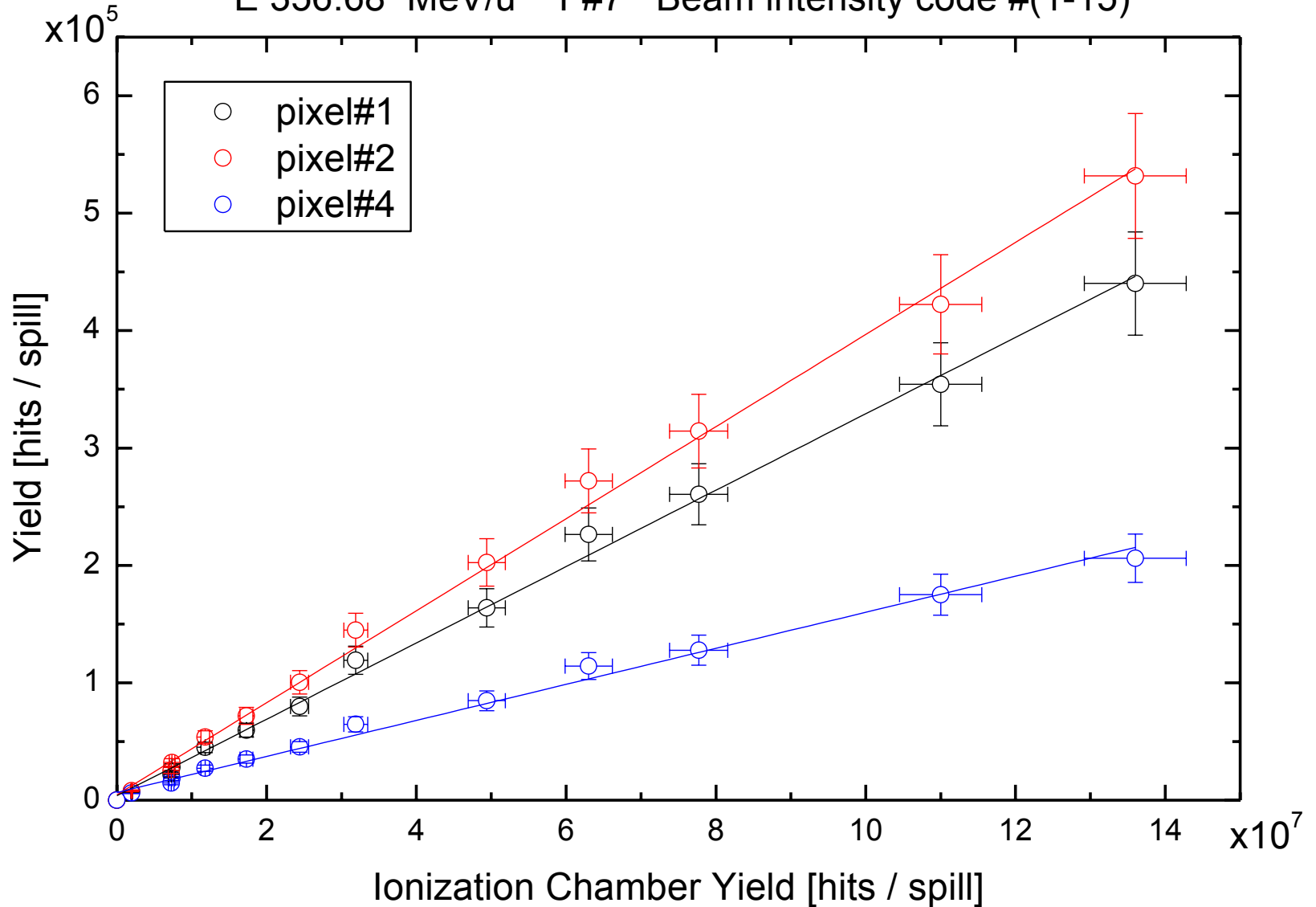
(the beam has a fixed position)





The beam has a fixed position and a variable intensity

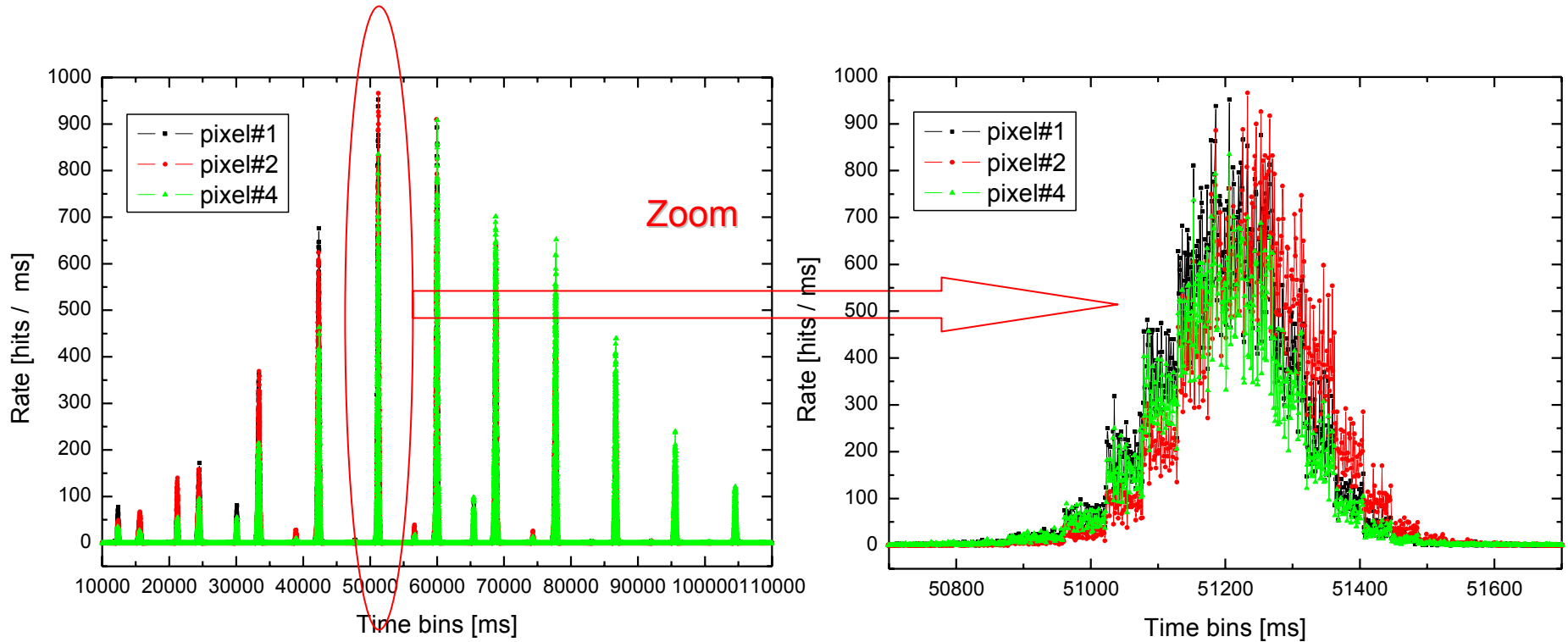
E 356.68 MeV/u F#7 Beam intensity code #(1-15)



A beam sweep

The carbon ions have an initial energy of 88.83MeV/u with constant focus (#7) and intensity (#1).

The sweep covered an area of 120mm x 20mm with 671 points.



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■ Summary

- FOPIs ToF-upgrade was successful: first experimental data, without walk and wiggle corrections show $\sigma_T < 100$ ps which allow a Kaon identification up to $P_{\text{LAB}} < 1\text{GeV}/c$.
- The PADI design was successfully tested, together with a 4 pixels SC diamond detector. The system was stable in under beam conditions.
- The AC transmission measurements shows a possible instability of the PADI preamplifier cell.
- The connection of PADI with the detector is critical: the line used should have a flat frequency characteristic of the impedance to avoid particularly resonances.
- If the input signal is near the threshold limit, the discriminated output signal has a very low width ($\sim 1\text{ns}$). We have tried to transport such signals through a $110\ \Omega$ twisted pair LAN-K5 cable and the channel rate limit was 1.5×10^8 hits/s.

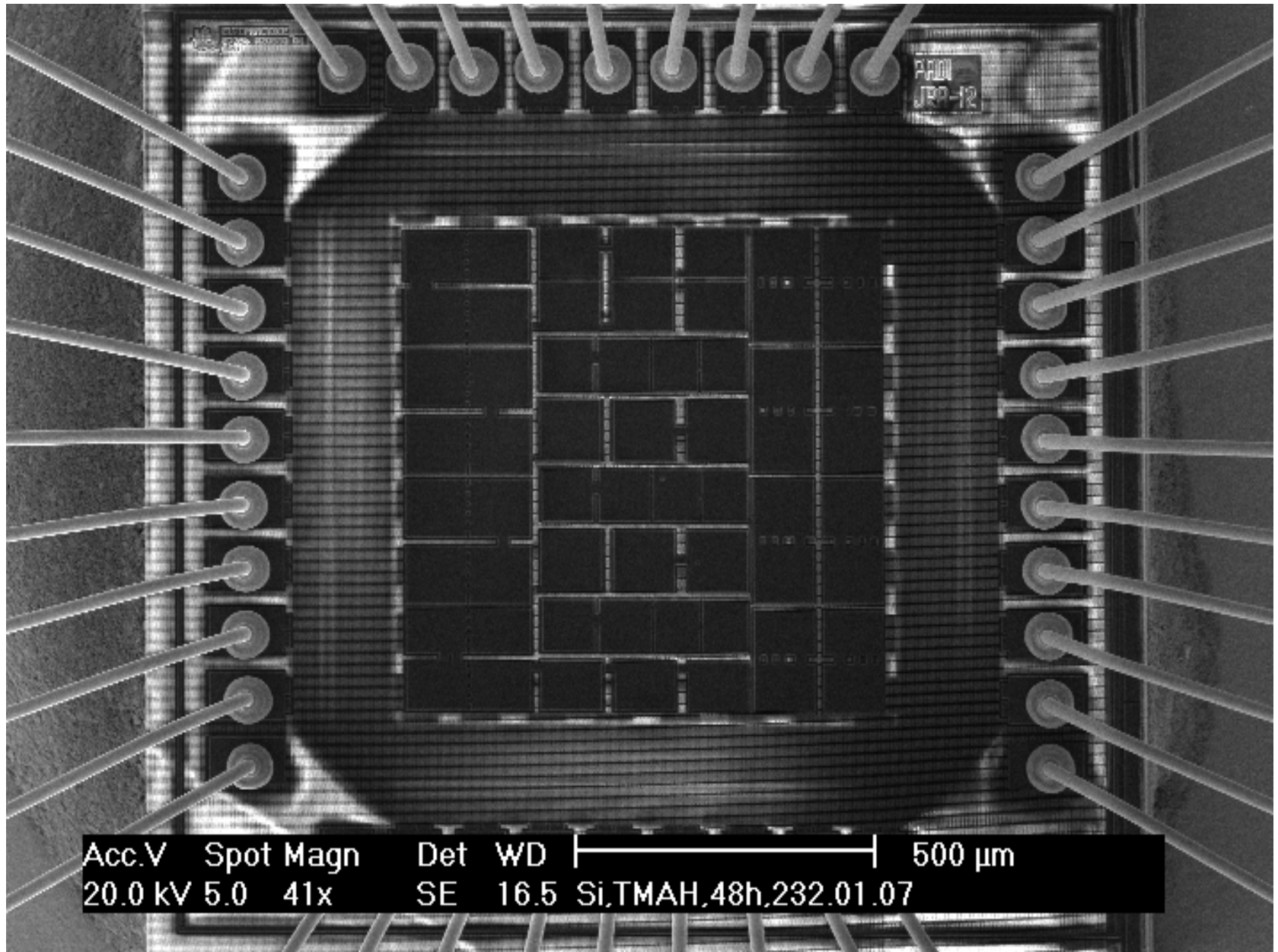
■ Outlook

- We know the PADI rate capability, but we must test the timing behavior. For low rates (1 kHz) we will use the RPC detector.
- In the next test we will connect two PADI test plates to a standard RPC to evaluate the three important issues: connection particularities to RPC, the stability problem and the timing behavior.
- We will make simulations and measurements to understand the system stability problem.
- The actual critical point in PADI design for a high bandwidth is the parasitic capacitance present to the preamplifier input and output ports. Can it be reduced?
- Can we decrease the spread of PADI parameters due to technological corners?



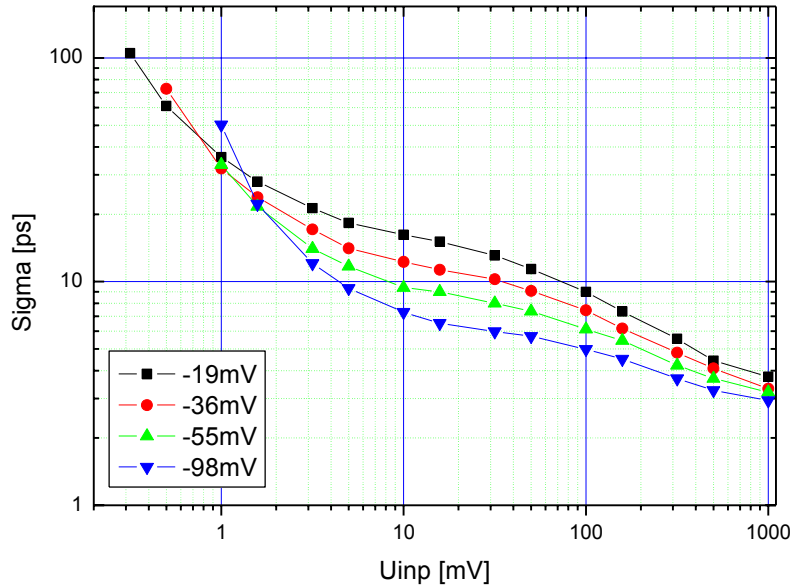
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PADI-3Ch Preamplifier-Discriminator

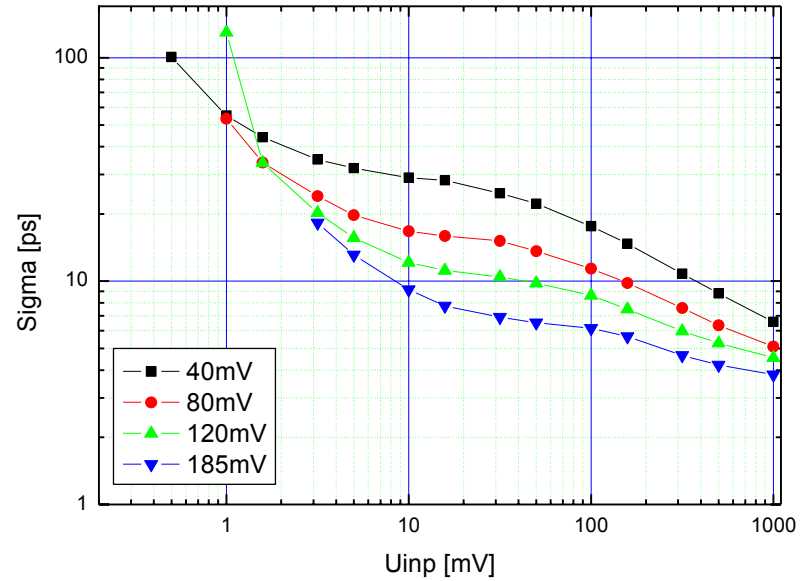


Comparison: The time resolution of all designs

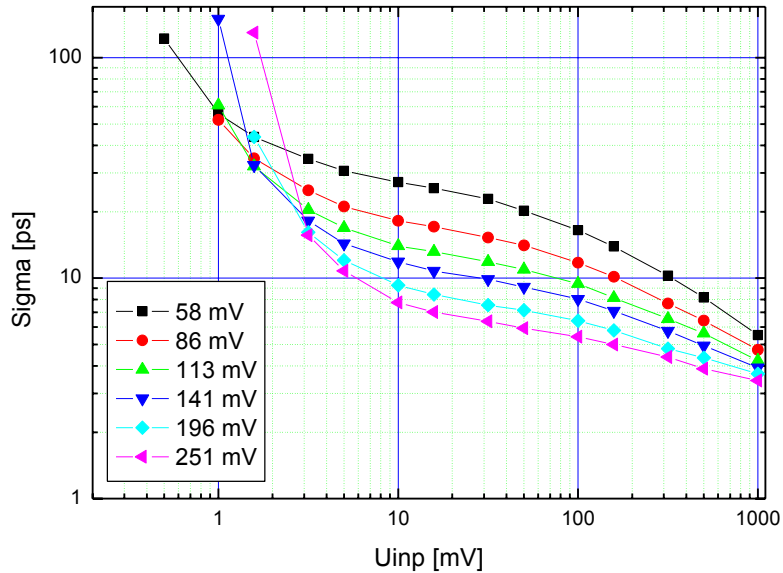
FEE1 #30, Ch4, GAIN~100



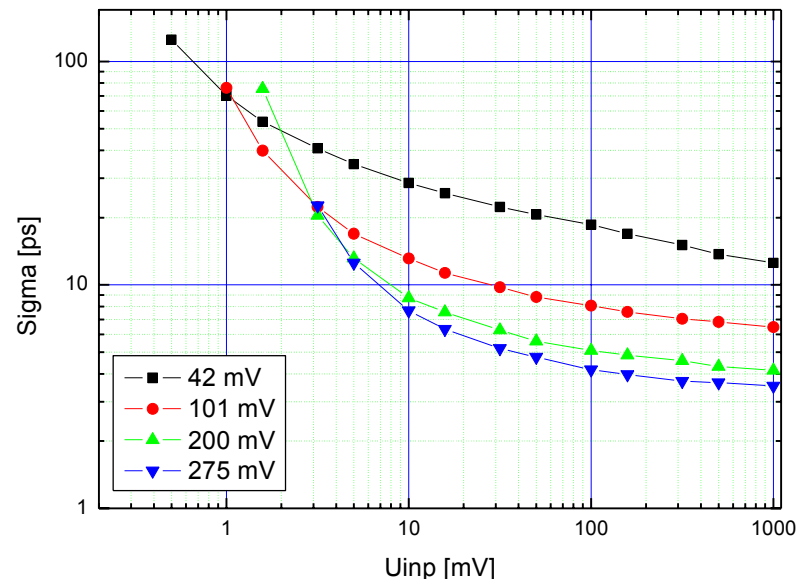
FEE5 #10, Ch2



PADI #2, Ch3

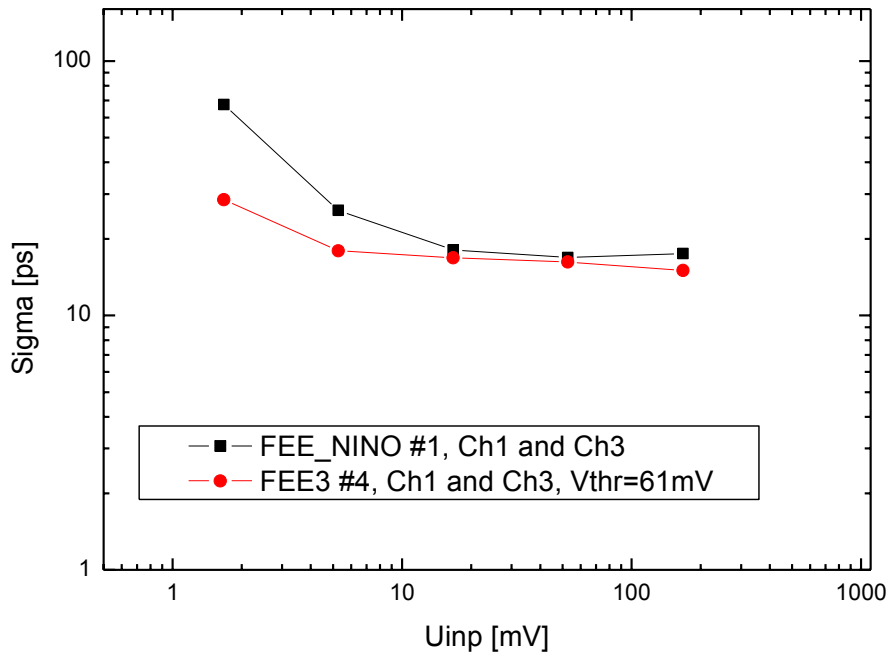


FEE-NINO#4, Ch9



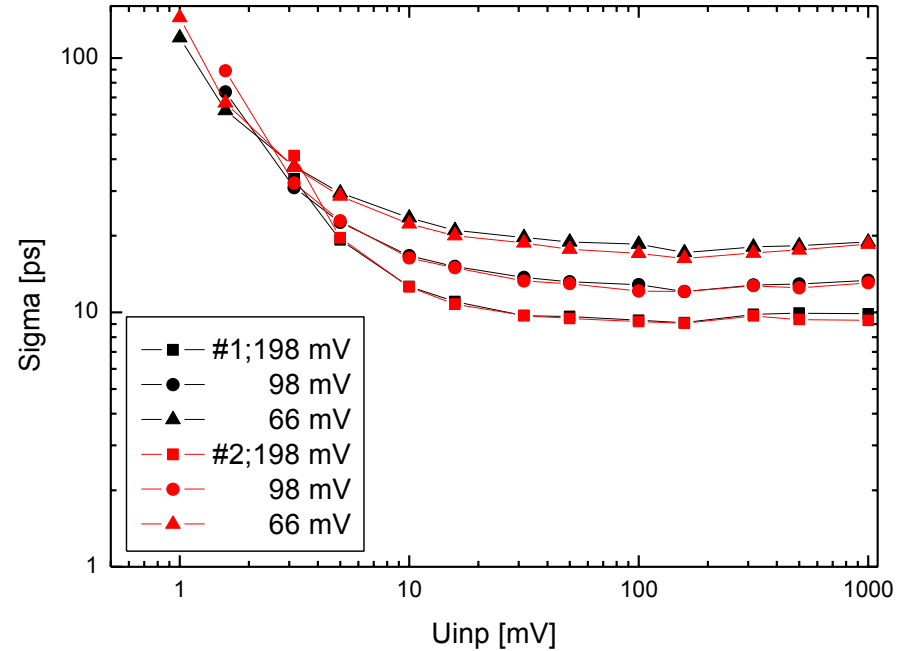
Comparison: PADI and TACQUILA3 versus FEE3 or NINO and TACQUILA2

FEE-NINO, FEE3 and TACQUILA2
One channel Timing Resolution

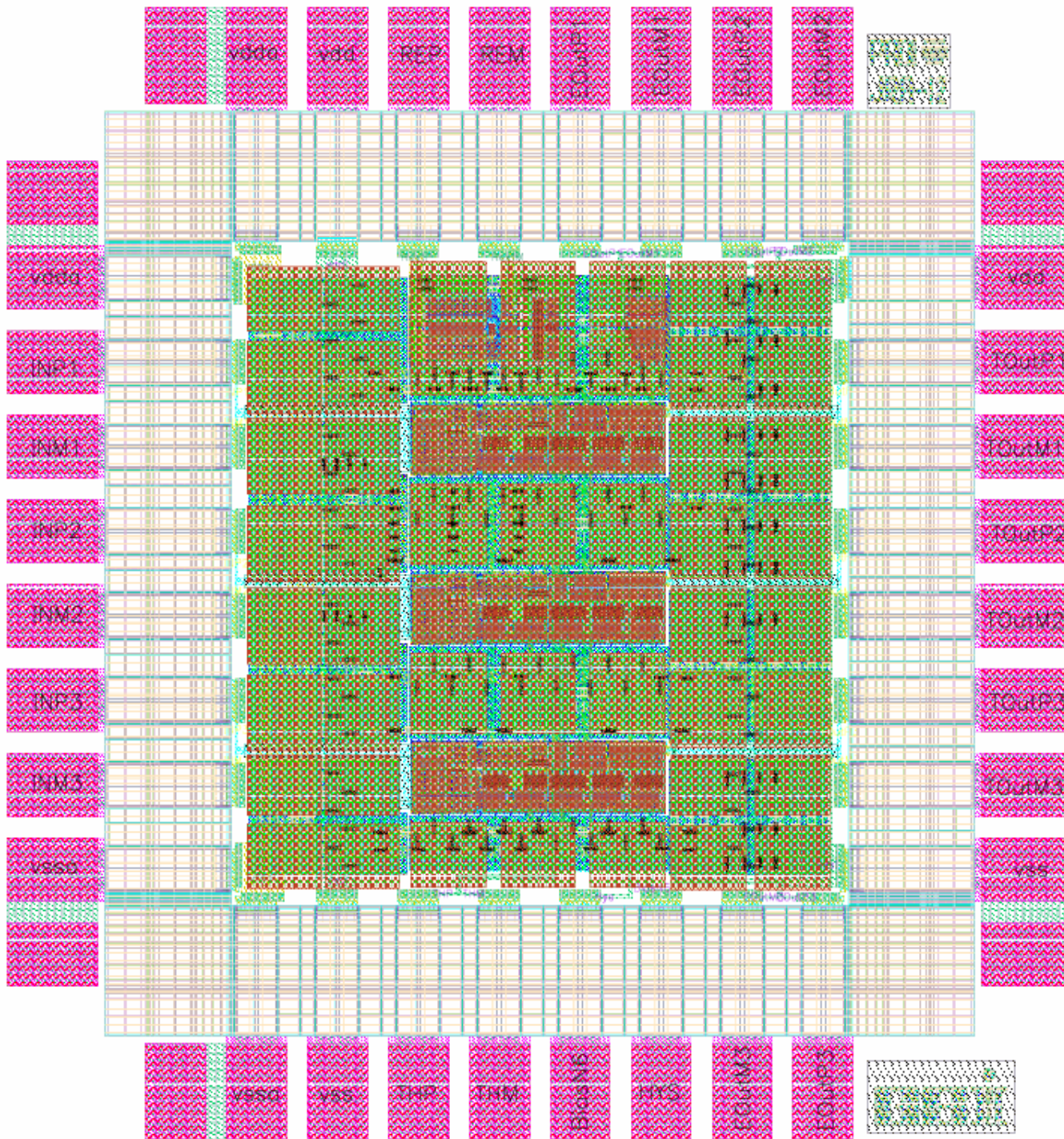


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PADI #1, #2 and TACQUILA3, at different Vthr
One channel Timing Resolution



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PADI

!NEW ASIC!

The prototype is a 3 channels preamplifier & discriminator in 0.18 μ m CMOS technology 1.5x1.5mm²