# Highlight: Report on the first LAPPD workshop



[on the applications of LAPPD in HEP and NP]

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# **Informal LAPPD Workshop on the Applications in HEP and NP has been organised**

### **Organized on 21 March 2022 by:**

- Participation has been overwhelming: peaked at 80
- Number of contributions is larger than expected
- Indication to create more synergies



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🕓 10m

**O**20m

🕓 15m

### **Geometry, Photocathode**

**Time resolution, LHCb/ECal.** 

🕓 15m

🕓 20m

**R&D on EIC** 





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	<b>③</b> 20m	<b>R&amp;D on EIC</b>
PPDs	🕓 15m	
Berkeley	O 15m	<b>Neutron Detection</b>
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LU	<b>③</b> 15m	Signal Induction Ana New Readout/Electro





### **Incom Talks**

### • A comparison between GEN-I and GEN-II type LAPPDs

**GEN-1: Strip Line Anode** 

**GEN-II: Capacitively Coupled Anode with External Pixelated Board** 

# Progress in Na<sub>2</sub>KSb photocathodes

**Improvement on the QE of Photocathode Improvised support structure** 





- **High Rate PicoSec Photon Detector (HRPPD)**
- Small pore MCP (10 µm) for fast timing and high B-field tolerance
- Novel anode for direct or capacitive-coupled readout

Fused Silica, B33, or MgF<sub>2</sub> (115 nm cutoff) window

> Unsupported window with no obstruction 10 cm × 10 cm field of view

> > Reduced gap spacing and small pore MCPs (10 µm) for fast timing and B-field tolerance

MCP stack clamped in sidewall for better control of forces and assembly simplification

Innovative anode for direct or capacitive coupling readout

HV and signal connections on bottom and for reduced deadspace 0.35" [8.89 mm] to improve tiling







### **INFN Bologna: Vincenzo Vagnoni**

### A detailed presentation on the LHCb E.Cal Upgrade:

- Timing with single photon
- Test Bench results with dual-LASER setup to mimic background
- **Beam Tests at DESY and CERN**
- **Comparison of Time response with and without Photocathode activated.**







### **BNL: Alexander Kiselev**

# With GEN-II LAPPD, R&D for the EIC: Test Bench Results and Results from Beam Tests at Fermilab **Optimisation of readout board for Spatial Resolution, Cross Talk suppression** Cherenkov ring radius resolution



Yes, one can measure single Cherenkov photons with sub-mm spatial resolution using pixelated Gen II LAPPDs!

Paradigm change in the Cherenkov ring imaging data analysis: overlapping clusters rather than single pixel hits

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### **IJS: Rok Pestotnik**

- **R&D** on the LAPPDs for the RICHs (in LHCb and BELLE-II)
- Using GEN-II, (LAPPD #109) : Results on Pulse shape and Time Response for the Single Photon



- **Fast-timing applications**



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• *FastIC*: A highly configurable multi-channel ASIC.

**Designed in collaboration: CERN + University of Barcelona** 

### ANL: Jungi Xie

**R&D** on the LAPPDs focused on EIC and other Nuclear Physics Programme



Babar and CLEO Magnets: 1.5T

**Improvement in B-field with varying pore size.** 





### 4 mm x 4 mm pixel as example



	X res (mm)	Y res (mm)
2x2 mm	1.4	1.7
3x3 mm	0.94	0.95
4x4 mm	0.81	0.76
5x5 mm	1.1	0.97

- All resolutions ~1 mm with small pixels, reaching the requirements for EIC Cerenkov sub-systems.
- Potentially limited by track pointing resolution capability of MWPCs (1 mm pitch)

• 2x2 may be worse due to leakage of signals (poor containment since it is a smaller area) JUNQI XIE



### **Spatial resolution with varying pixel size**





### ANNIE: Amanda Weinstein and Matthew Wetstein (ISU)

- LAPPD for Neutrino detection
- Using LAPPD under water
- First running HEP experiment to use LAPPD
- With a long term experience on the LAPPDs

- Charge spectrum of a Single Photo-Electron
- Clearly showing the Gain of the LAPPD





### Nalu Scientific: Talks

• Conceptual studies on the response of the resistive anode of different geometries and with photon sources of different sizes





- Electronics based on discrete components: (System on Chip).
- AARDVARC: Variable rate readout chip for fast timing and low dead-time.

### Integration efforts - HIPeR

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AARDVARC based readout



Incom's Gen 1 LAPPD



Integration and testing (UH)





### **Trieste Activity - I:**



### • Dark Pulse (with the ion feedback Pulse)

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### voltages: 2160 V, 2150 V, 1275 V, 1075 V, 200 V PC = -10V, MCP = 875 V

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• Intrinsic dark rate = 900 Hz/Pixel = 140 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>

• The rate is similar over a few pixels

### **Trieste Activity - II:**

### **Response from a Pulsed LED source**

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- Getting the first signals from a Pulsed LED source
- Pulse width is limited to 20 ns => Multi PE response
- A fast pico-LASER source is expected in May
- A study on the noise level comparison is ongoing
- The first joint venture between Trieste and Genova is organised during the week of 4 April at Trieste.
  [Mikhail and Saverio]

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# **Conclusion:**

- A great number of participants
- A great number of contributions
- Variety of topics have been discussed
- Yet, more topics can be discussed
- We need more of such events over the year

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### • At Trieste, Dark noise rate of the LAPPD is understood

- Uniformity study is ongoing
- Photon signal with a Pulsed-LED (20 ns) is ongoing
- Expecting the Pico-LASER in May
- Joint work between Trieste-Genova, next week

## **Thank you!**

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