

# R&D in Bologna

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# Outline

- 1) New results on tests of **muon response of IFR scintillator bar** using different assemblies
- 2) **Simulation of scintillator bar** with FLUKA and comparison with experimental data
- 3) Preliminary results from **Gelina neutron irradiation tests**

# Part 1:

# Prototype tests

Assembly different IFR bar prototypes and study the **effect on muon response** of:

- WLS fiber glueing
- WLS fiber aluminizing
- bar length

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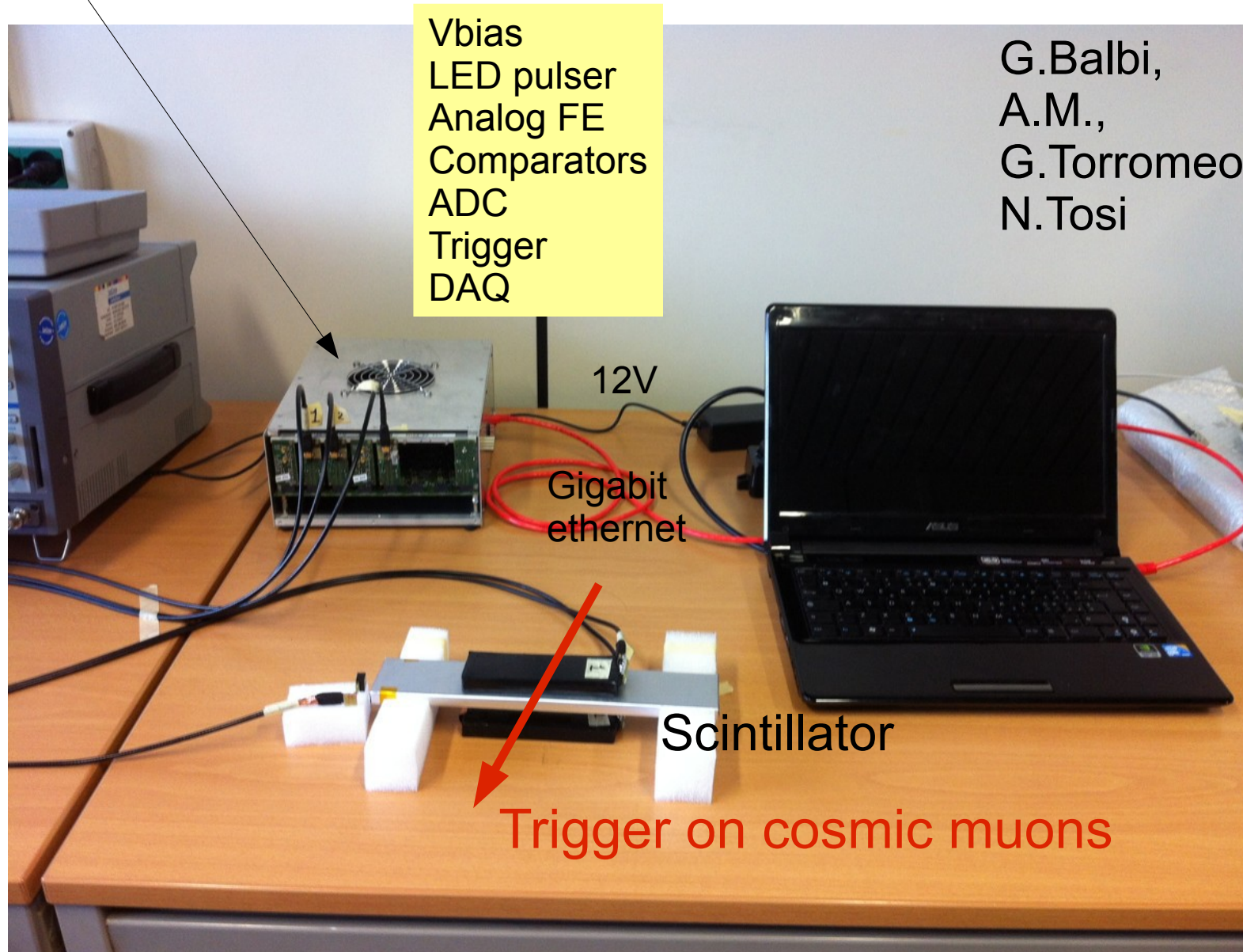
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**CAVEAT:**

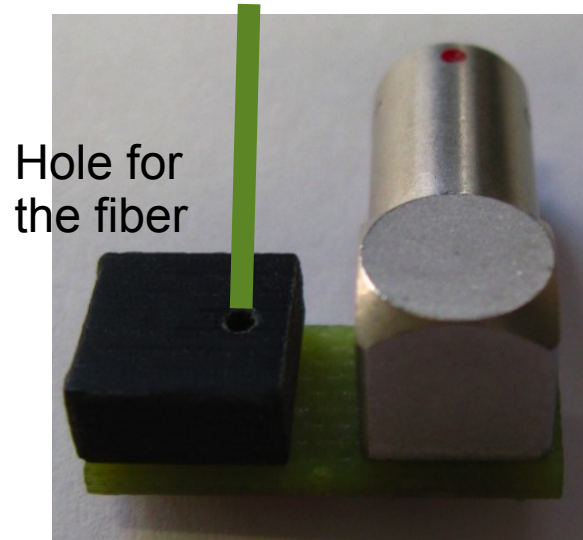
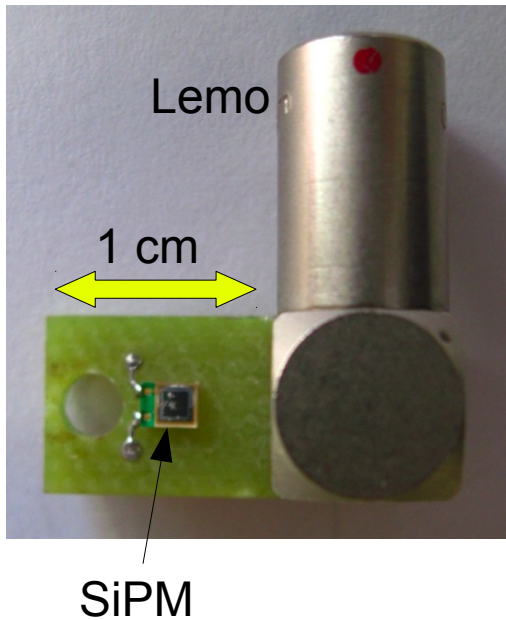
- the absolute figures depend on the type of SiPM used and on the quality of its optical coupling to the fiber
- **relatives figures are more relevant**

# Custom readout and control system

- Versatile system for 8 channels:



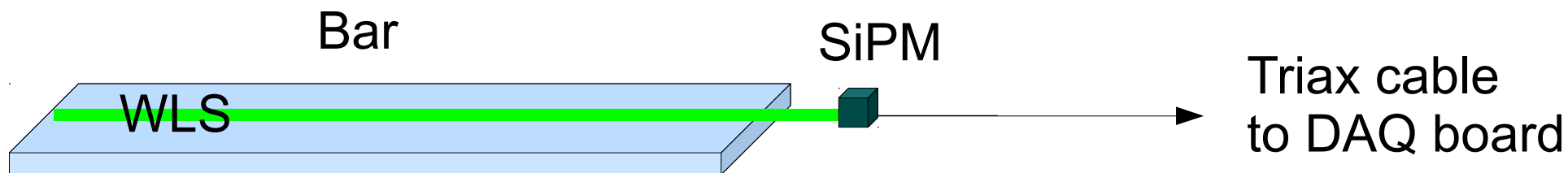
# SiPM used for tests



Hamamatsu  $1 \times 1 \text{ mm}^2$   
**50  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel**

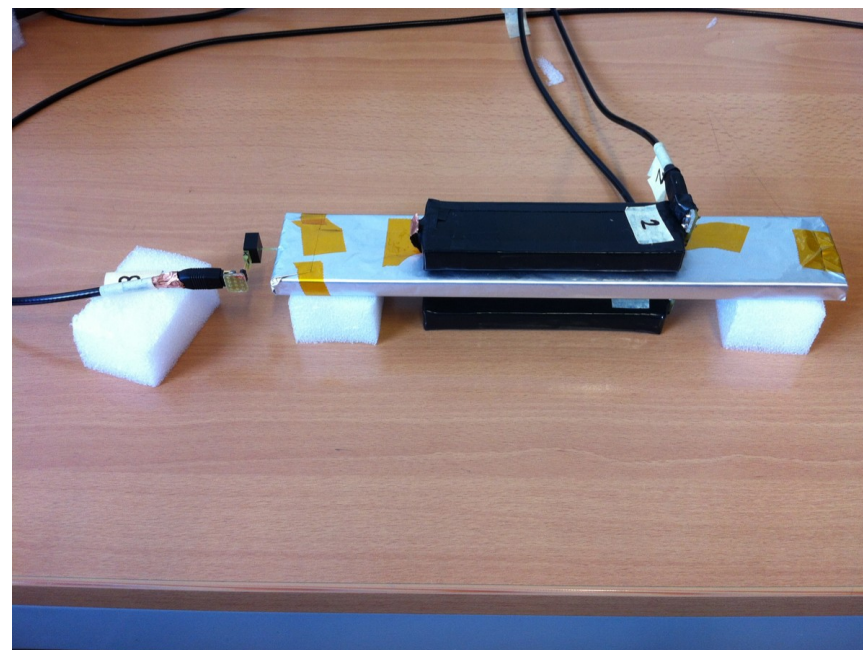
Caveat:  
**not optimized  
optical coupling**

# Light collection in short scintillator bar



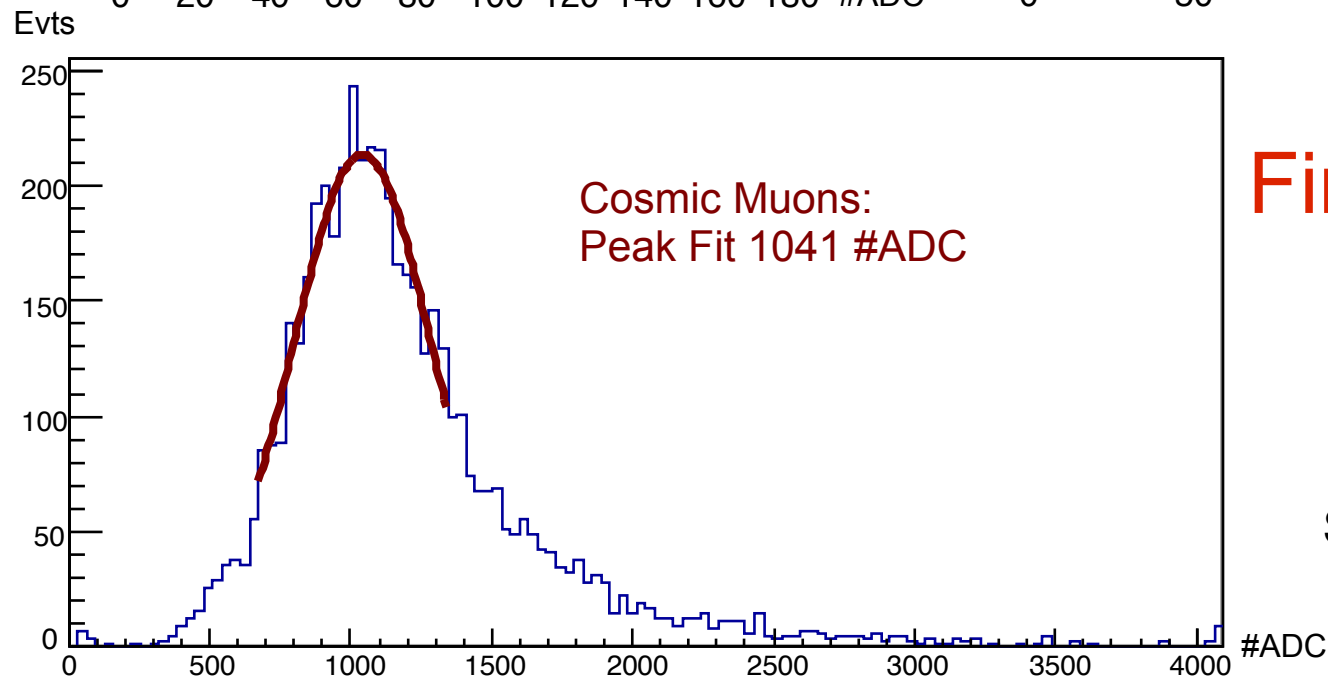
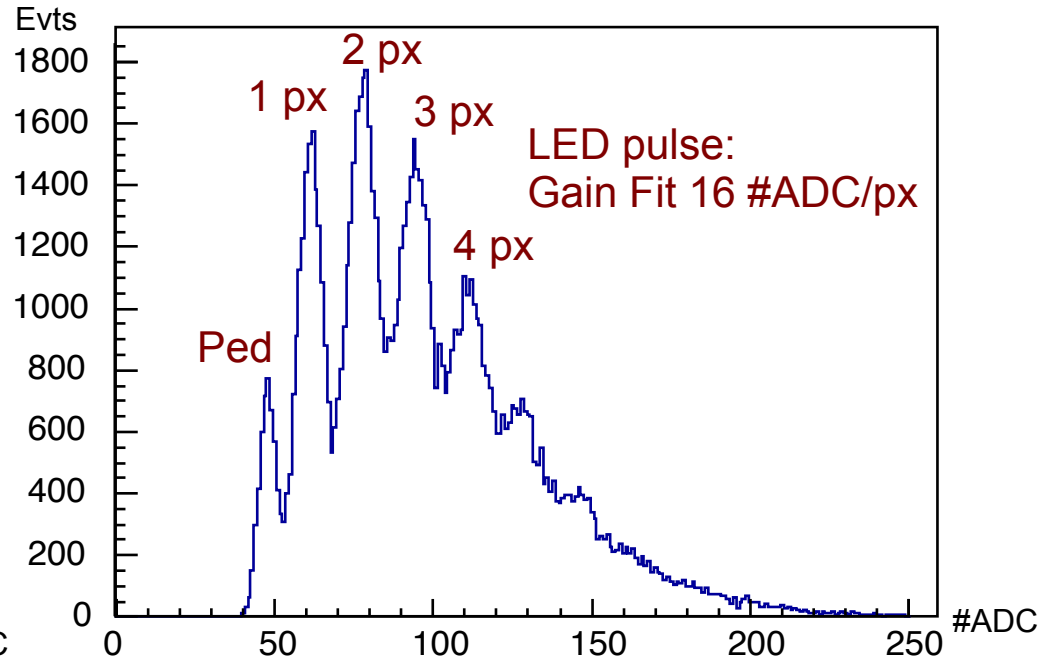
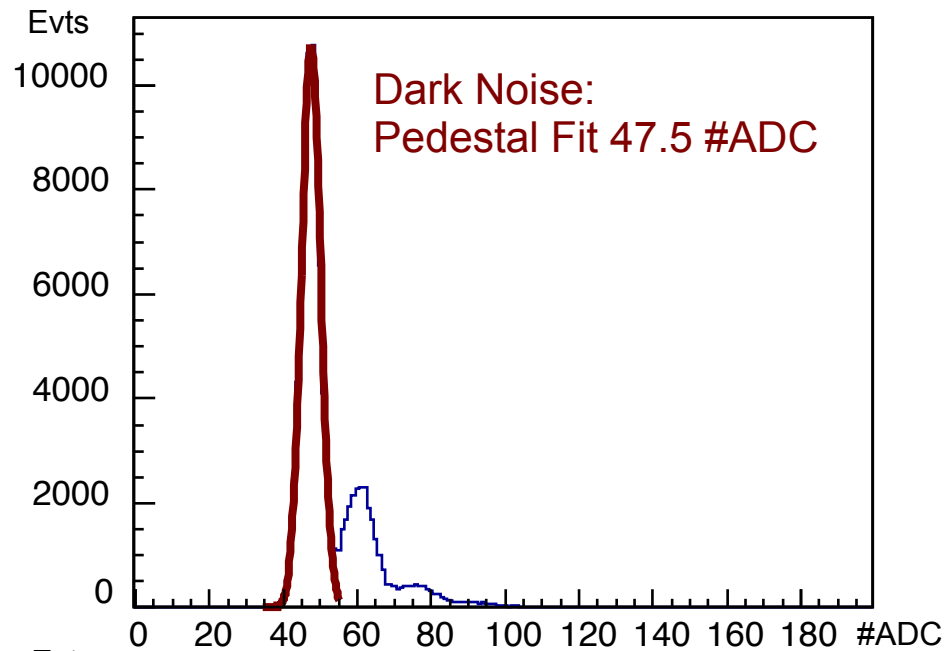
- Fermilab scintillator bar:
  - transverse size:  $4.5 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$
  - length:  $25 \text{ cm}$
  - one straight groove on top
- WLS: Kuraray 1 mm diameter:

	Not Glued	Glued
Not Aluminized	✓	✓
Aluminized	✓	





# Example: WLS glued + not alumized



**Fired pixels for a MIP:**

$$\frac{1041 - 47.5}{16} \simeq 58 \text{ px} / \mu$$

Systematic error on fits:  $\sim 3 \text{ px} / \mu$



# Summary of light collection tests

- Fired pixels per MIP:

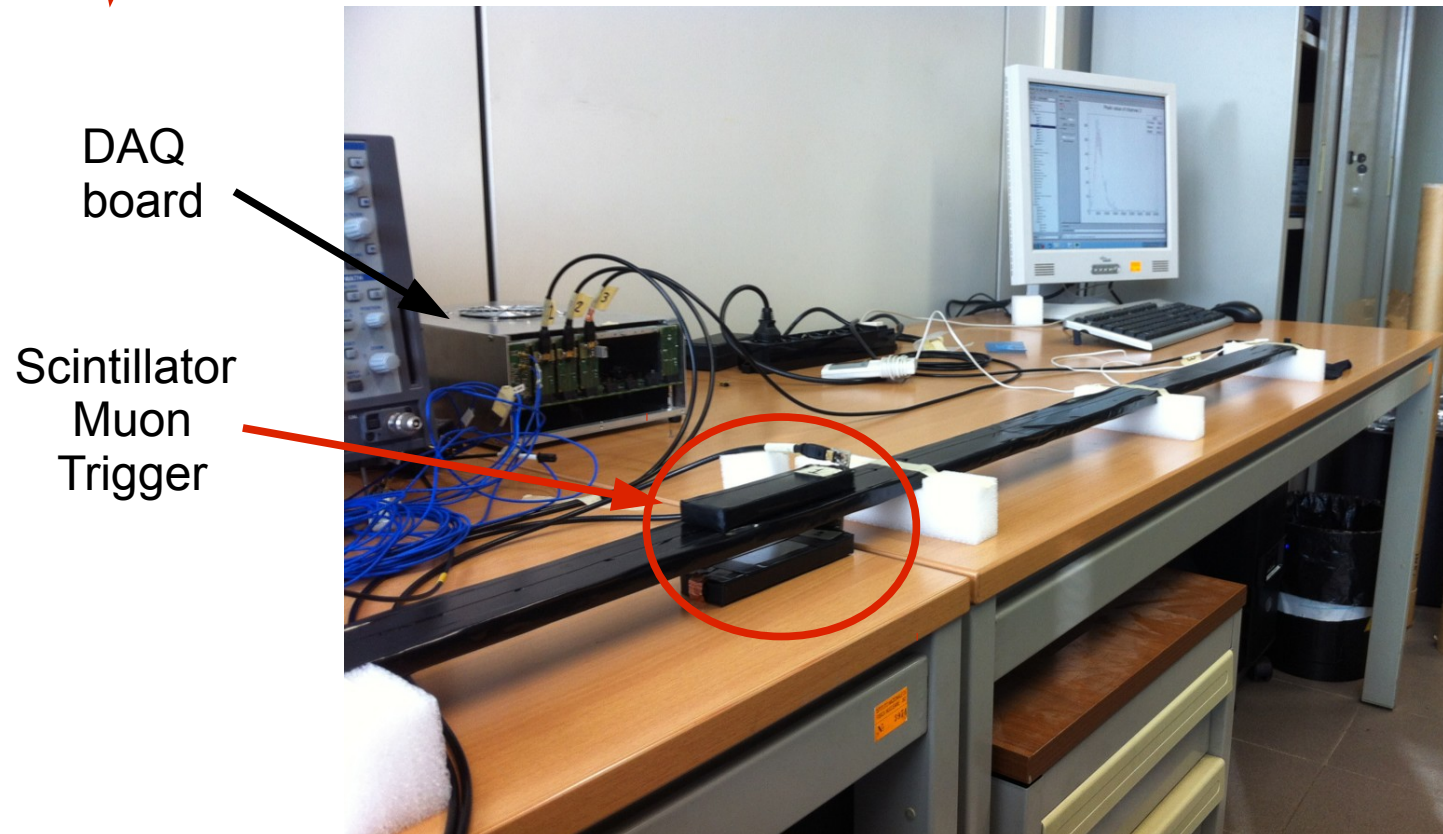
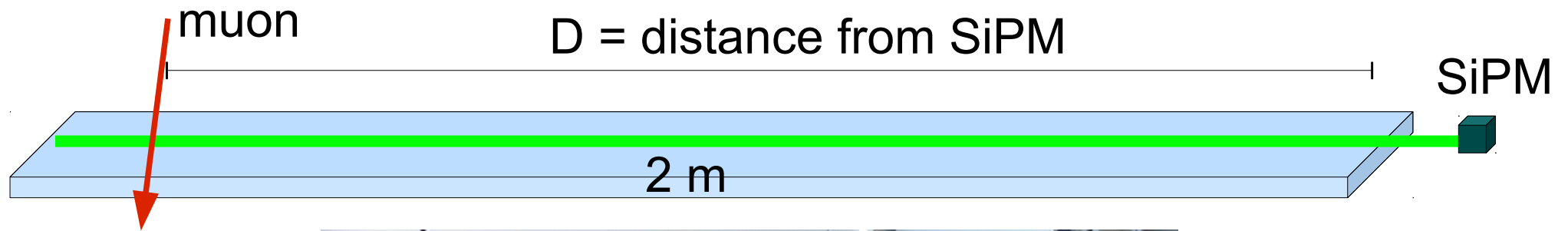
		+ 57% →	
		Not Glued	Glued
+ 24% ↓	Not Aluminized	37 ± 3	58 ± 4
	Aluminized	46 ± 3	

Notes:

- MIP response include contributions from cross talk and afterpulse

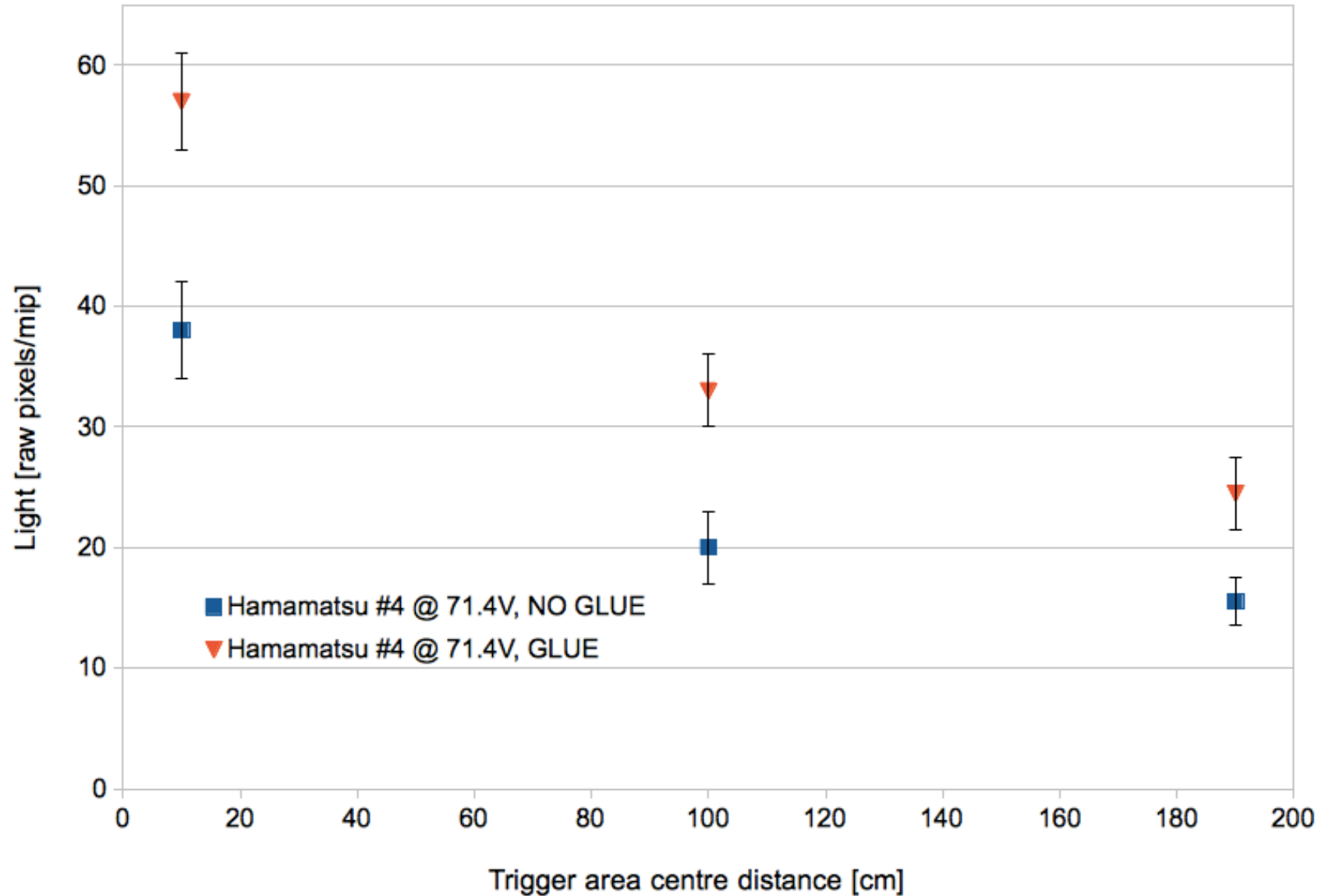
# Light collection in long bar

- 2 m bar, WLS Kuraray Y11,  $T \sim 25^\circ \text{C}$



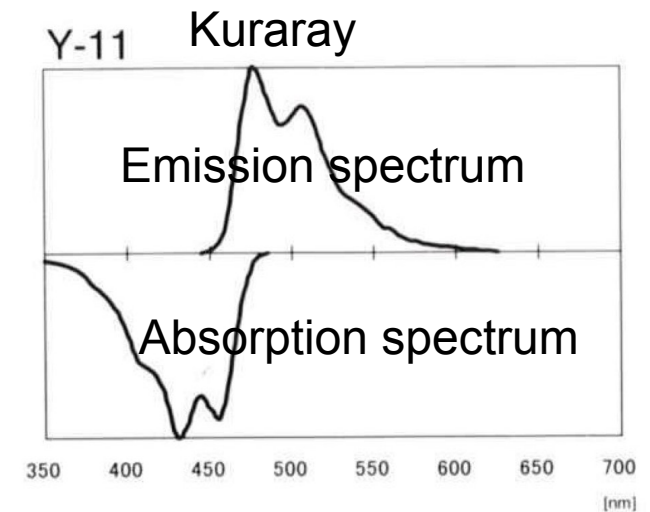
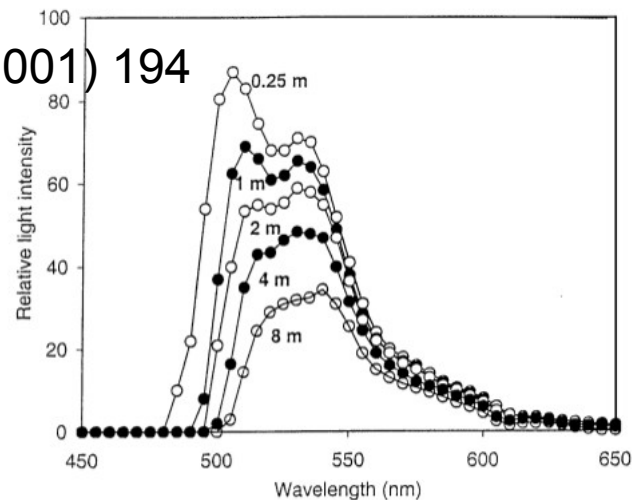
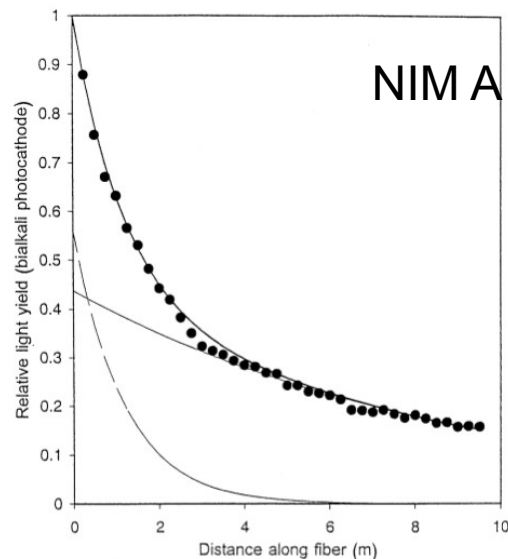
# Light collection vs distance

Prototype IFR bar, 200 cm, WLS Kuraray Y11-300, T ~ 25°C



# Light attenuation in WLS fiber

- Modeled by 2 exponentials :
  - long attenuation length (10 m)
  - short atten. length (0.8 m) due to self-absorption
    - lower part of the spectrum is more affected
- Hamamatsu is more sensitive in blue region:
  - more sensitive to attenuation !



# Open issue

- How much the light attenuation affects the behavior of **EFFICIENCY vs POSITION** ??
- The effect can be partly reduced by aluminizing the fiber..
  - How much?
  - Worthwhile?
  - Test on a long fiber aluminized...(not available now)

# Conclusion

- **Glueing** the fiber improves light collection by **+57%**
- **Aluminizing** improves by only **+24%** in short bar
- **Attenuation** is an issue on **long bar**
  - more relevant in the blue region of light spectrum
  - Hamamatsu very sensitive to this effect

# Part 2: Simulation



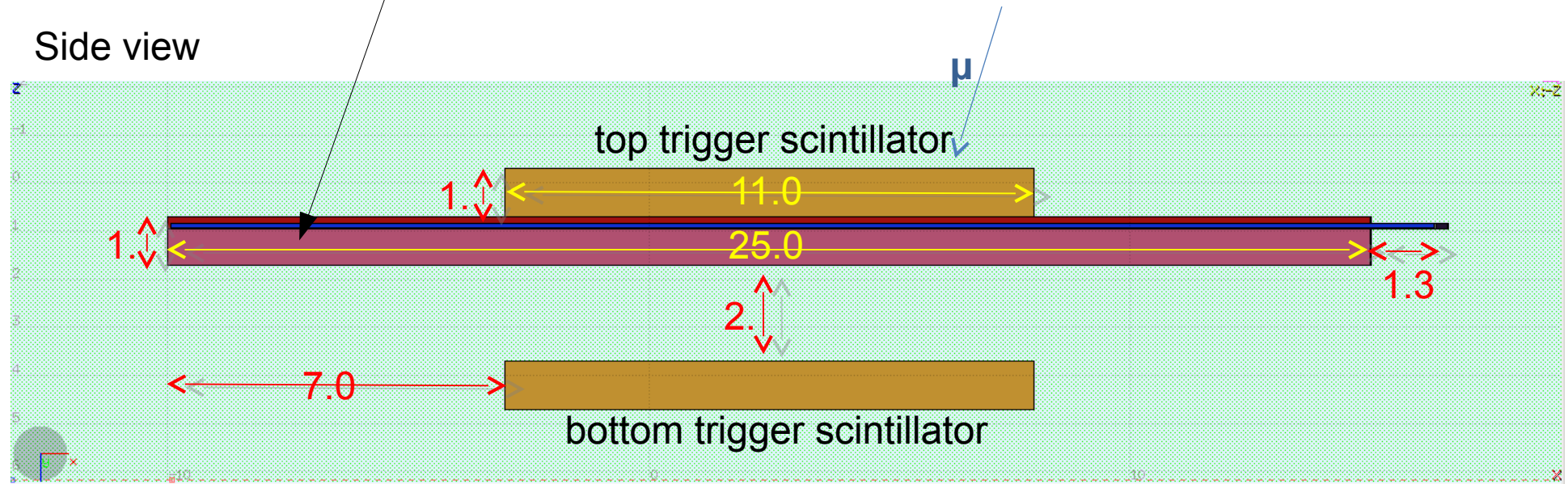
# Light collection simulation

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- setup a **detailed simulation** of light production, propagation and detection in a **prototype of a scintillator bar** (FLUKA)
- cross check expected results from simulation with **data collected from a real prototype**: tune simulation free/unknown parameters
- use simulation setup to study different geometries and optical couplings
- still preliminary results..

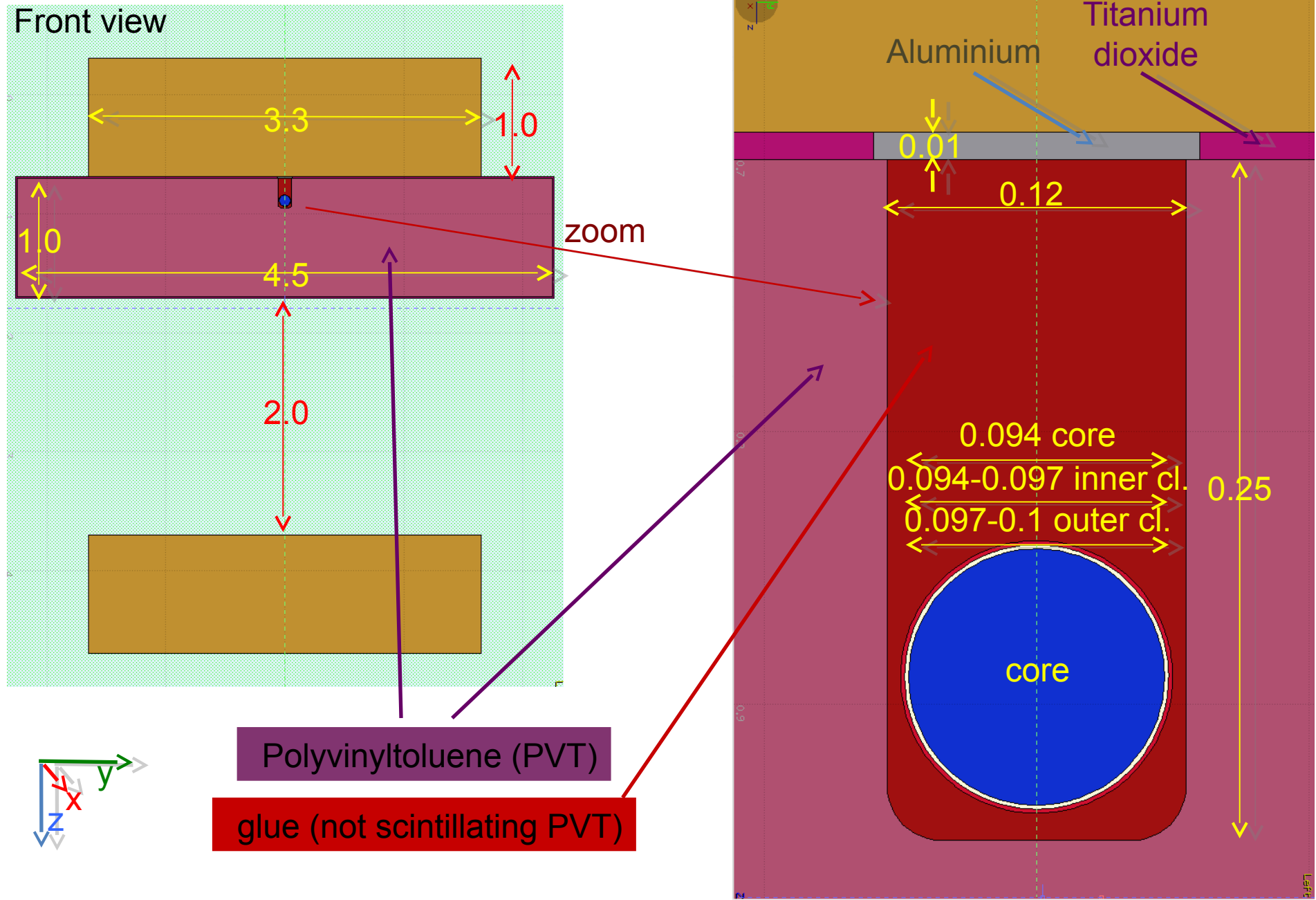
# Prototype setup

- use FLUKA (version 2011.2.13)
- simulation of bar prototype used to test MIP response ( $25 \times 4.5 \times 1 \text{ cm}^3$ )

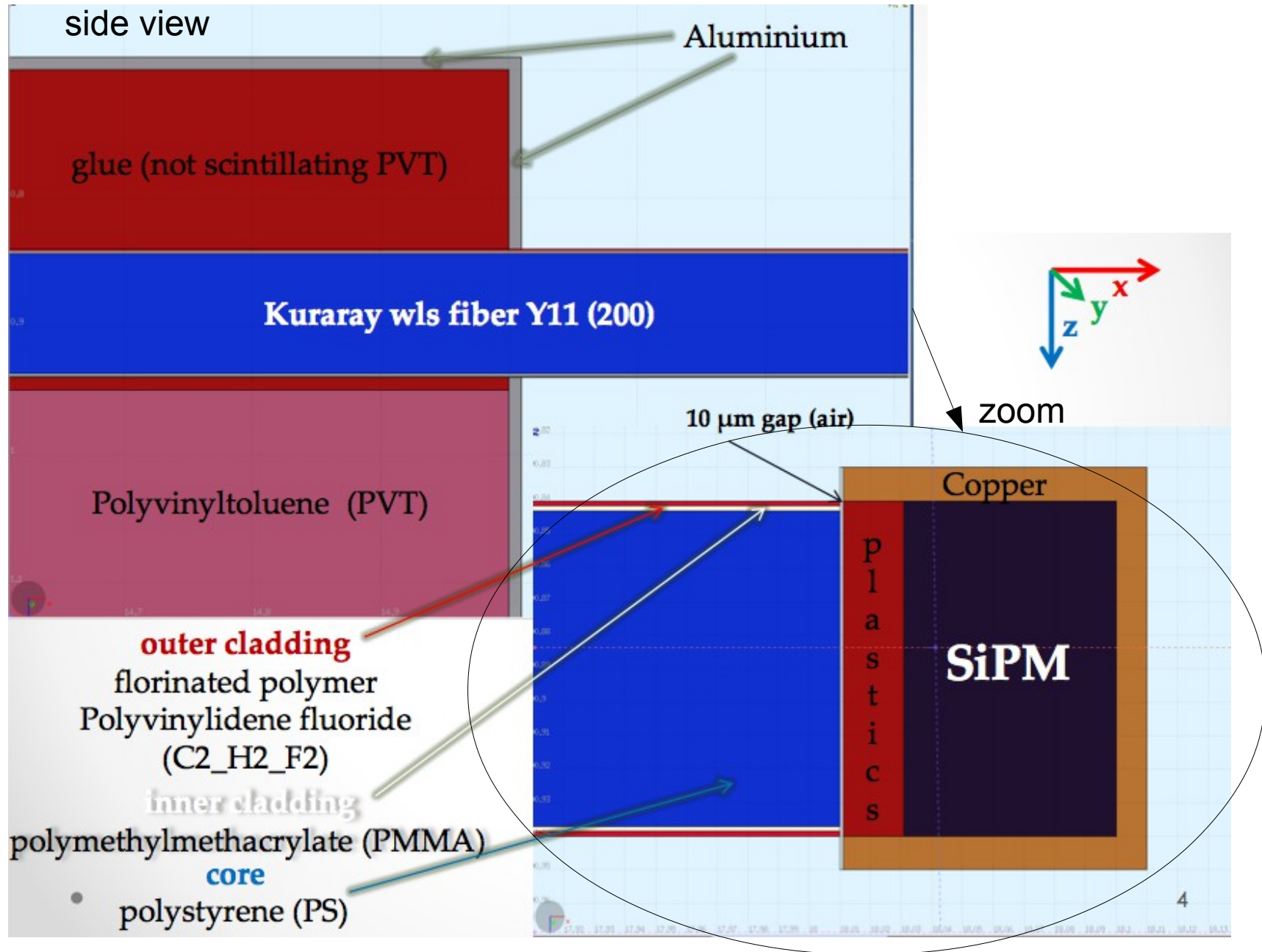


(figures in cm)

# Prototype setup

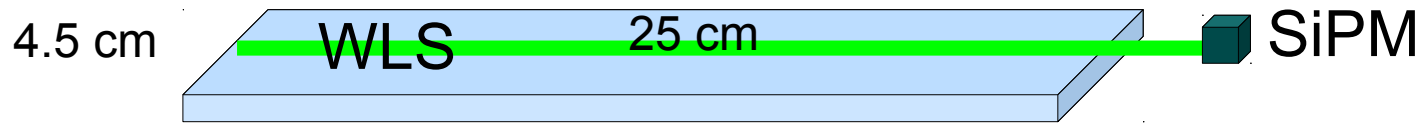


# Prototype setup



# Effect of glue and aluminization

- Simulate same geometry as real prototype:

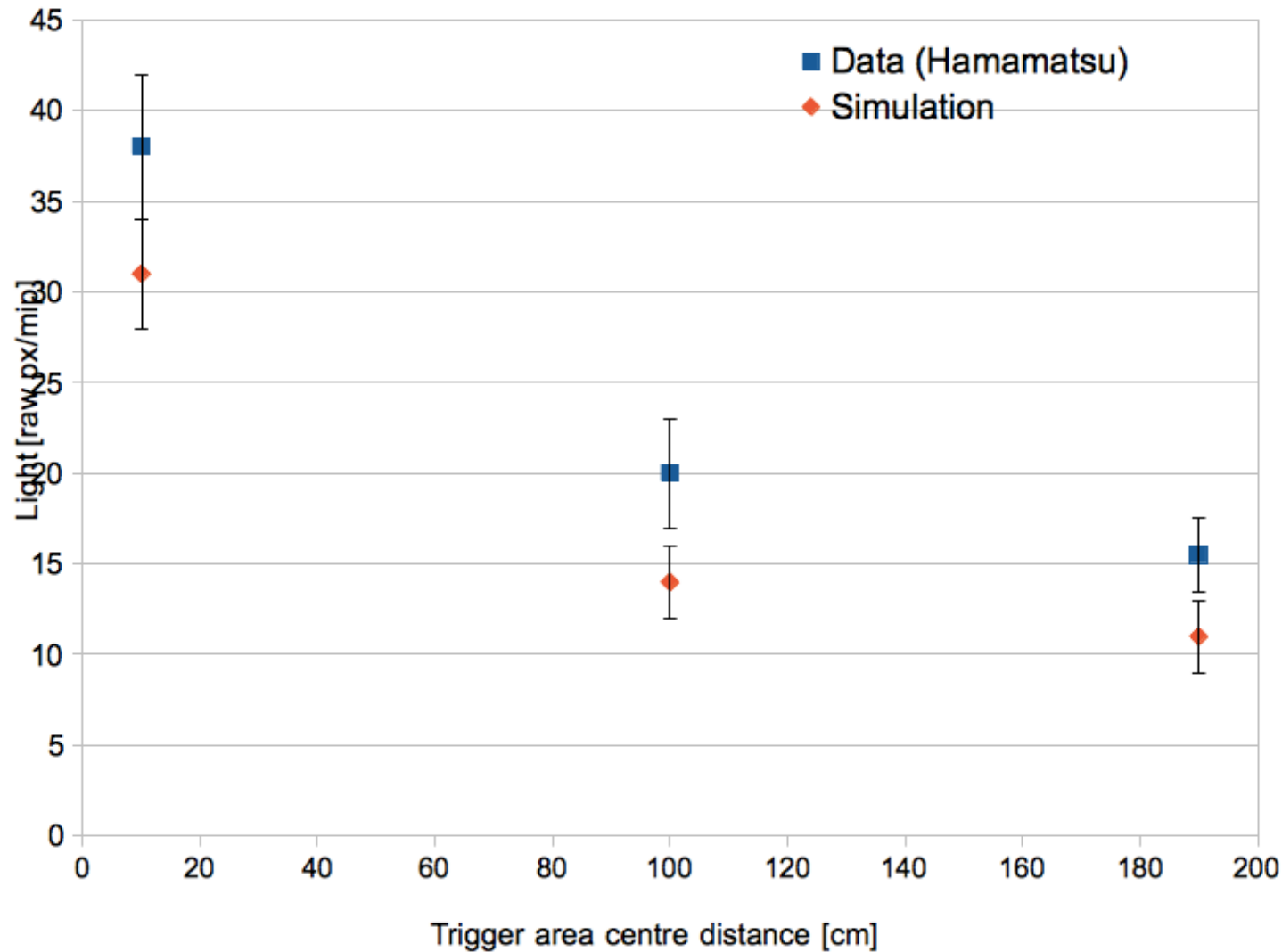


		+ 22%		
		Not Glued	Glued	In DATA was:
	Not Aluminized	32 ± 3	39 ± 3	37      58
+ 31%	Aluminized	42 ± 3		46

- Good agreement with data (SiPM xtalk not simulated)
- **Effect of glueing is underestimated..**

# Long scintillator bar

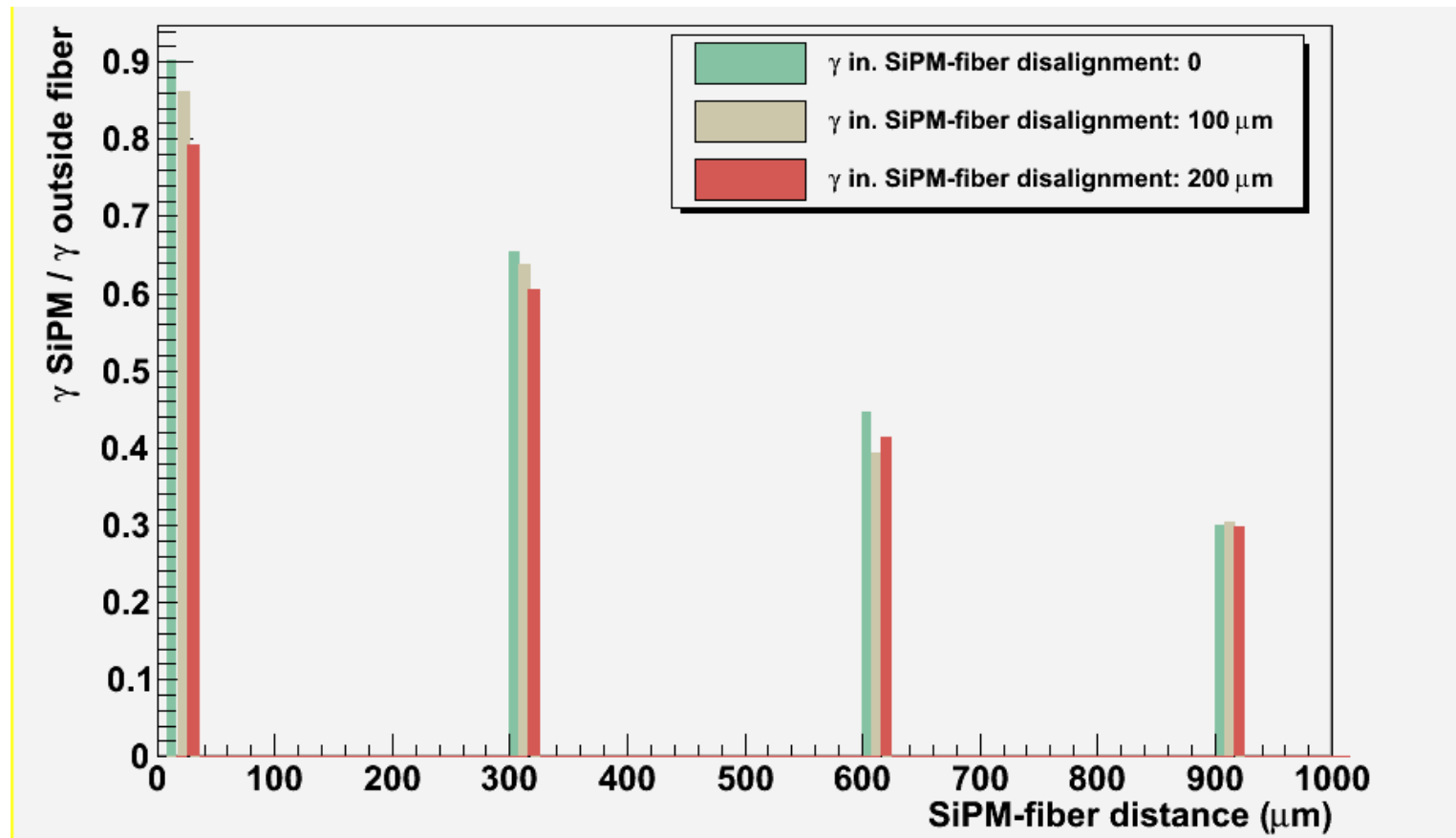
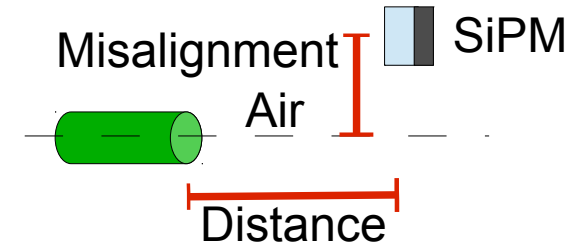
- 2 m bar, WLS Kuraray Y11 **NOT GLUED**



- Behavior is well reproduced

# Effect of SiPM distance/misalignment from fiber

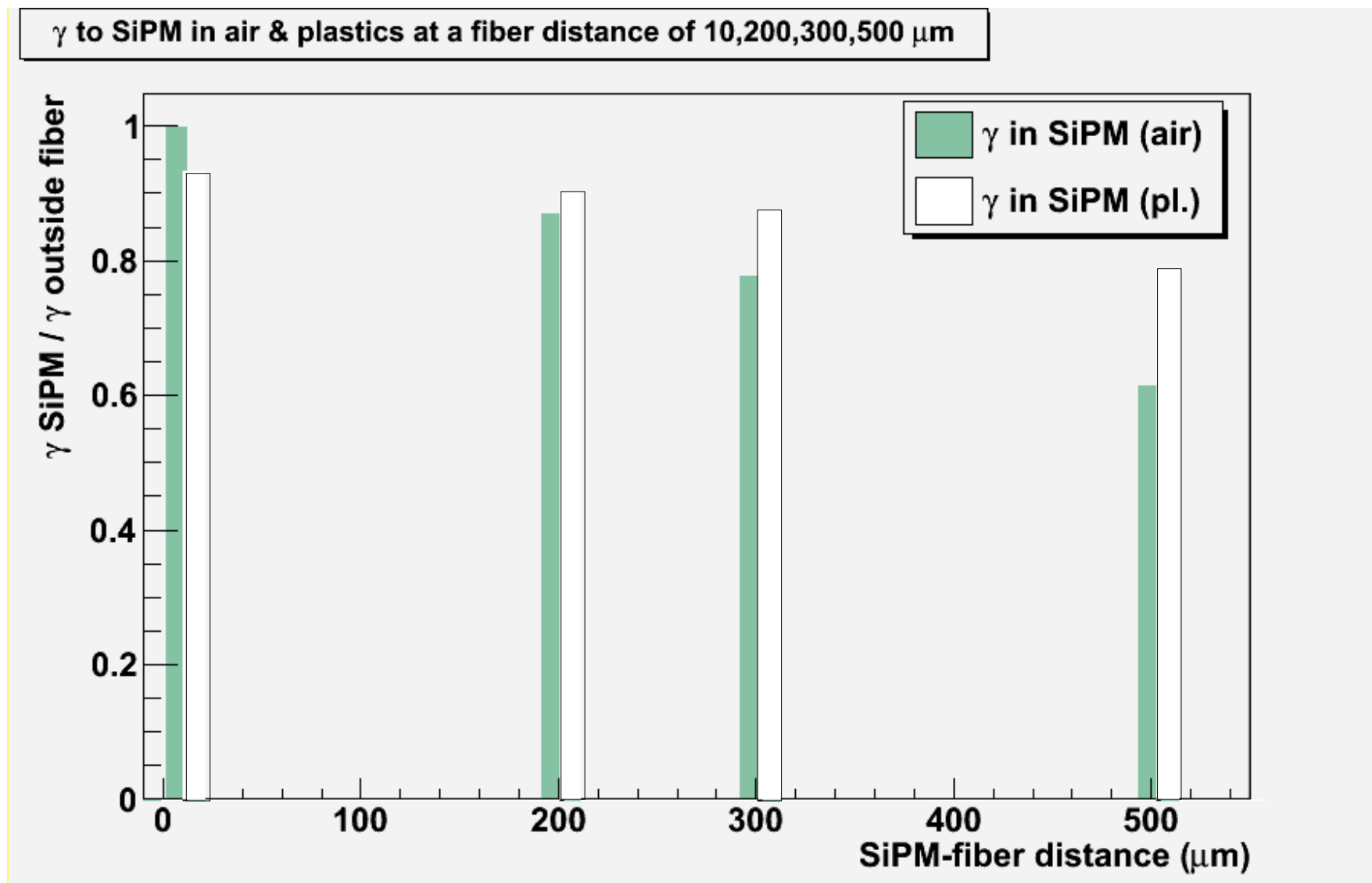
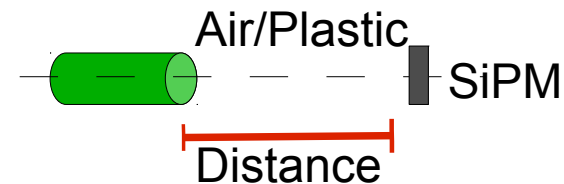
- Ratio =  $(\gamma @ \text{SiPM}) / (\gamma @ \text{Fiber})$  (air in between)
- SiPM in plastic package (300  $\mu\text{m}$ )





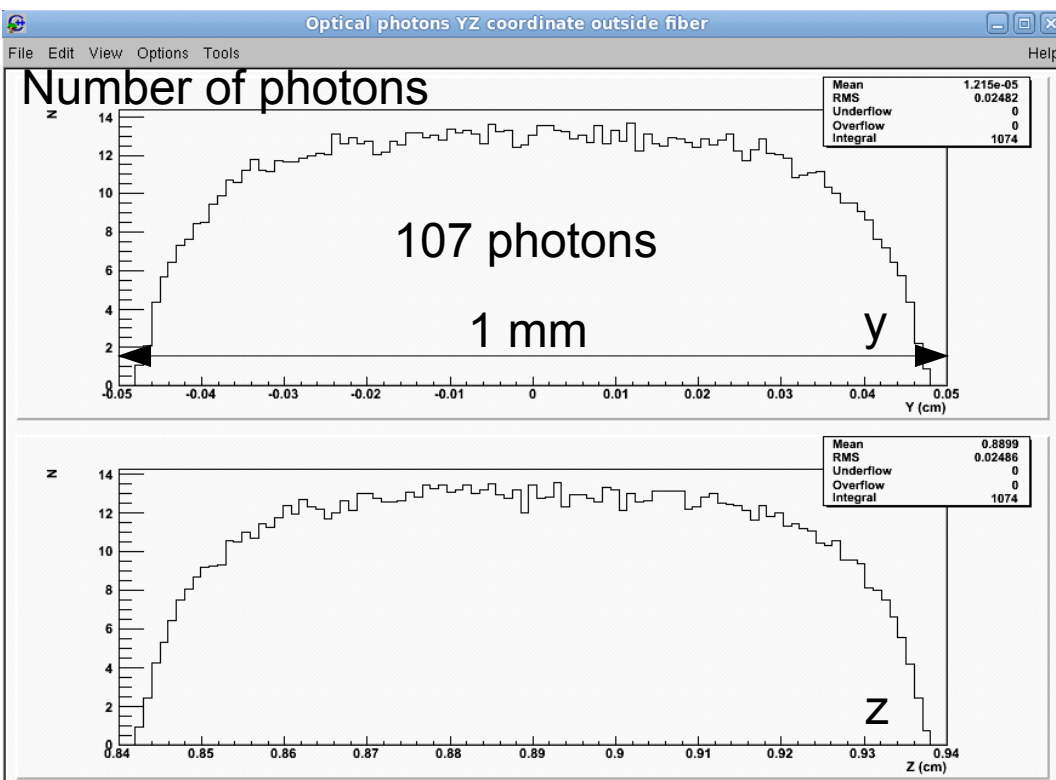
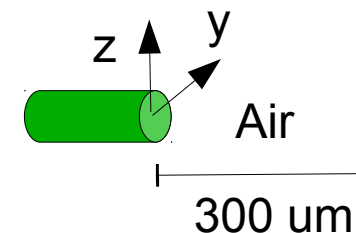
# Effect of SiPM plastic package

- SiPM perfectly aligned

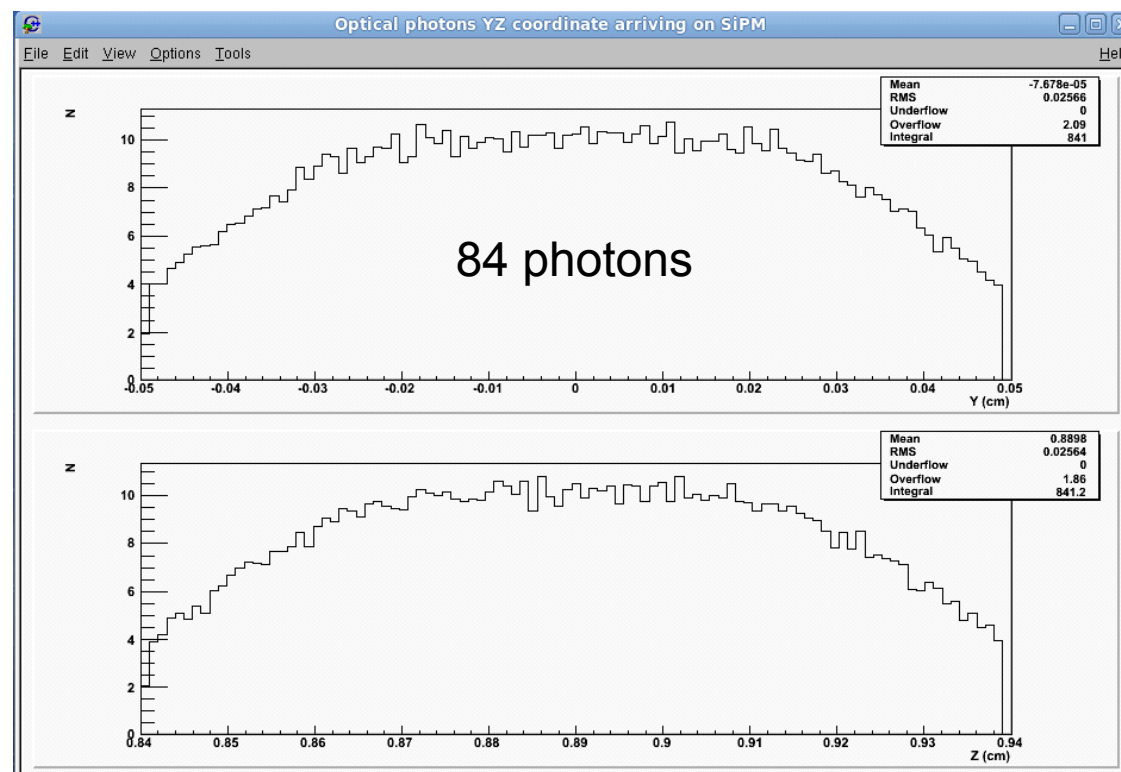


# Photon beam profile

- More photons from the center of the fiber
  - Less sensitivity to SiPM misalignment

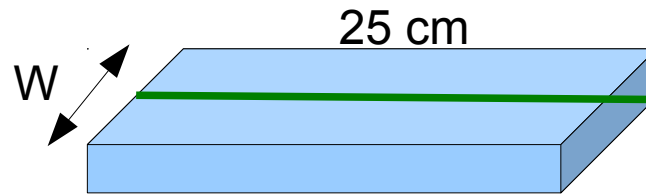


@ fiber output



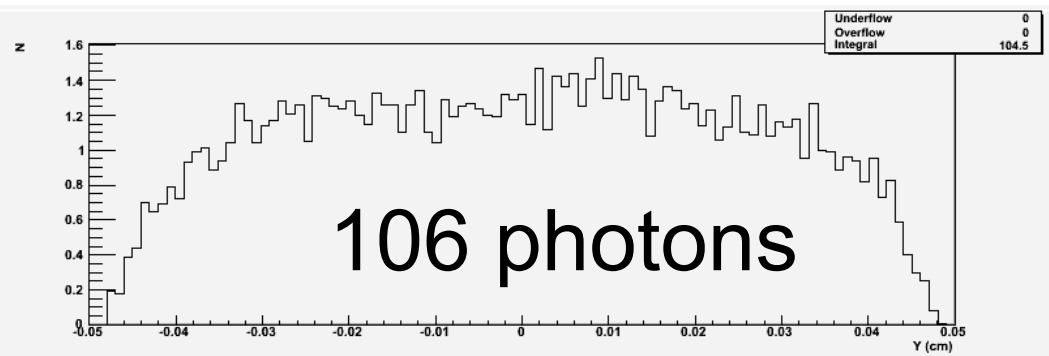
@ 300 μm

# Light from 1 fiber in 5 and 10 cm wide scintillator

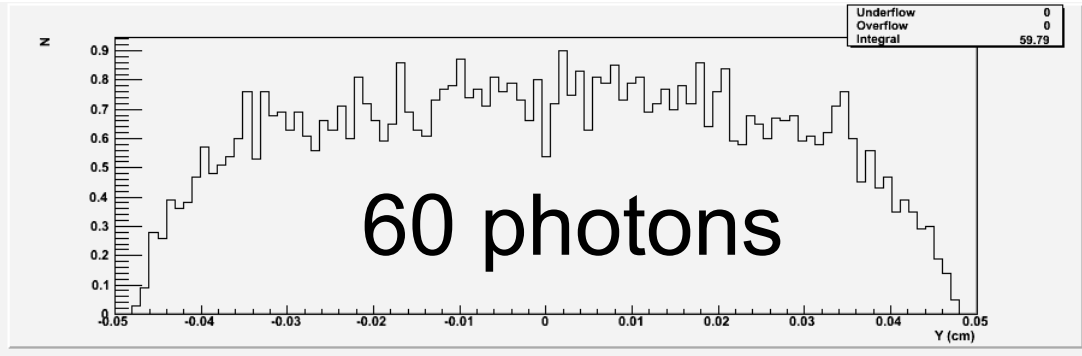


W=5 cm

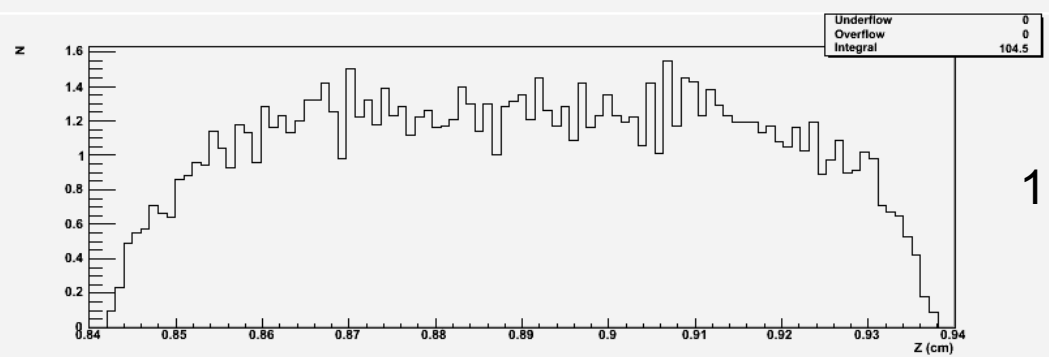
W=10 cm



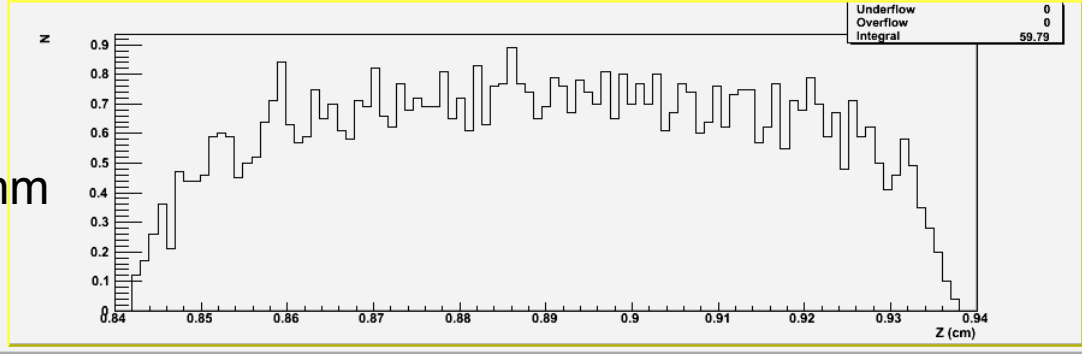
106 photons



60 photons



1 mm

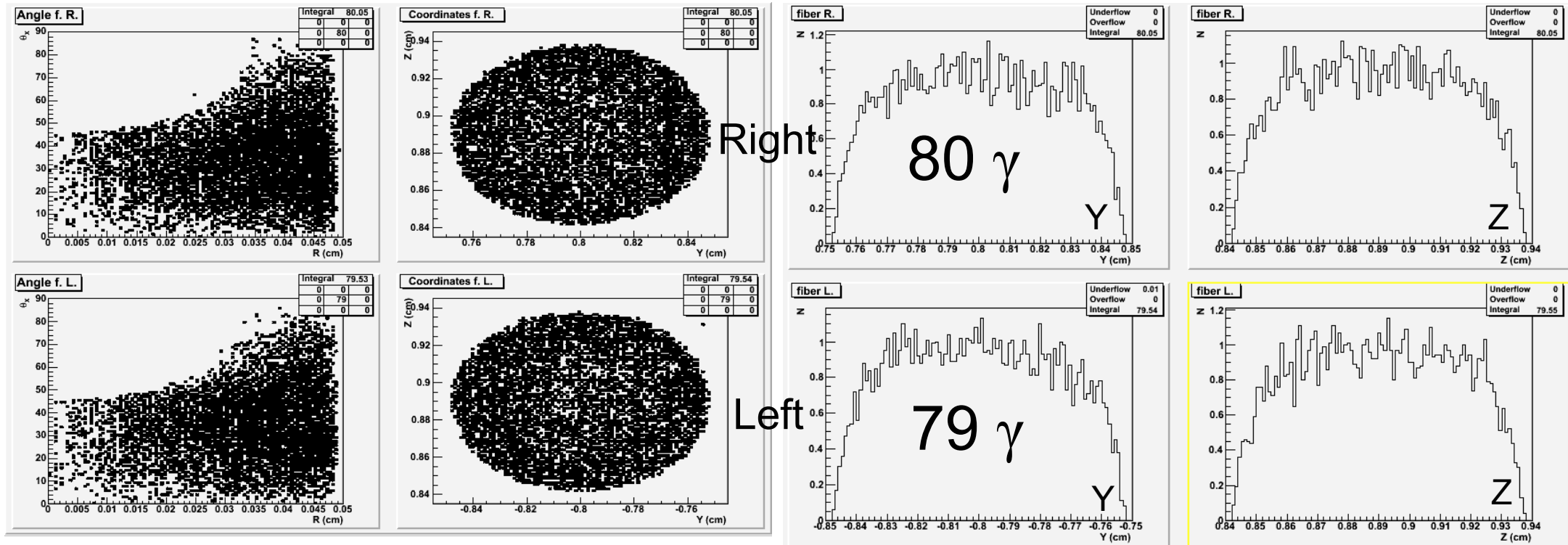
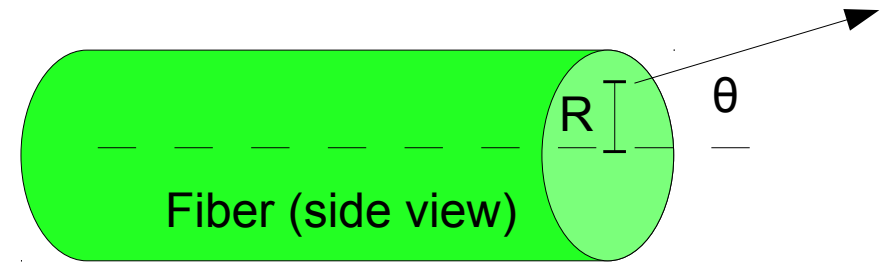


- - 43% of collected light at fiber output in 10 cm wide bar

# Light from 2 fibers on same scintillator

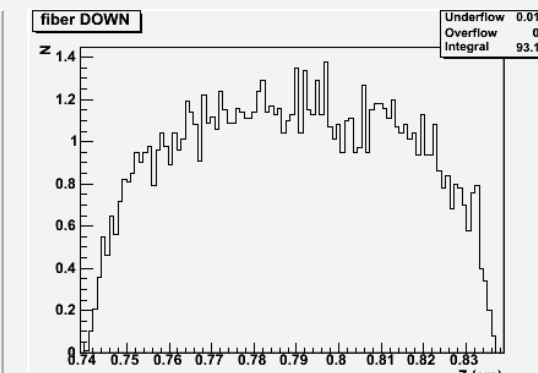
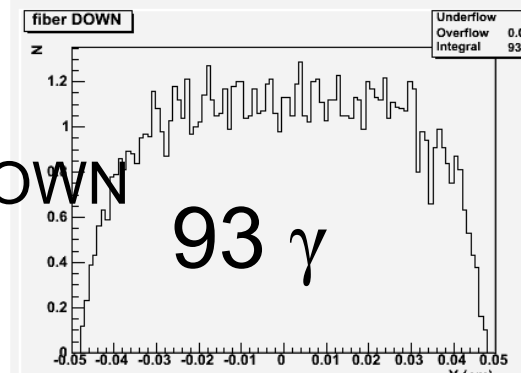
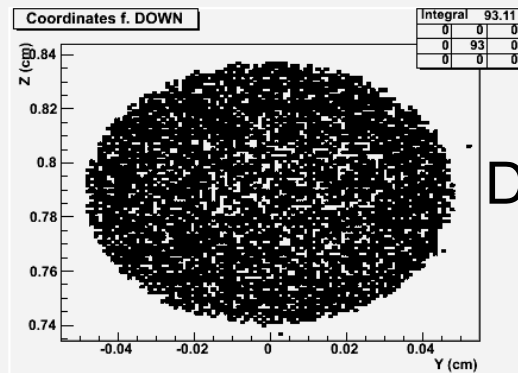
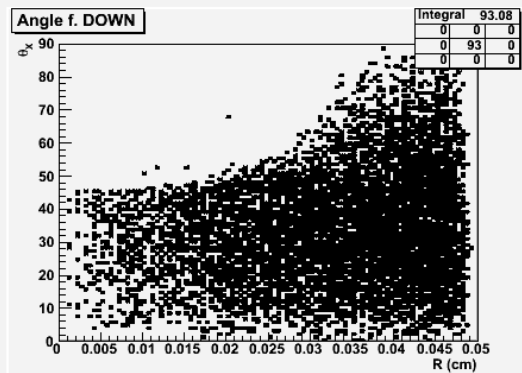
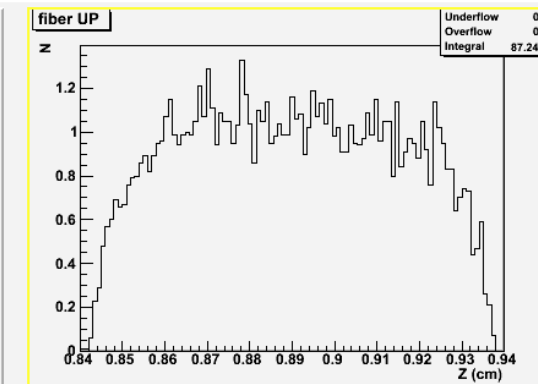
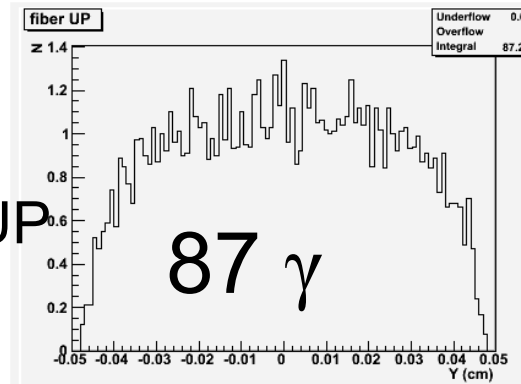
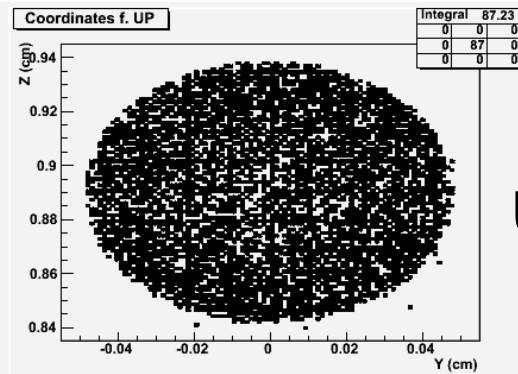
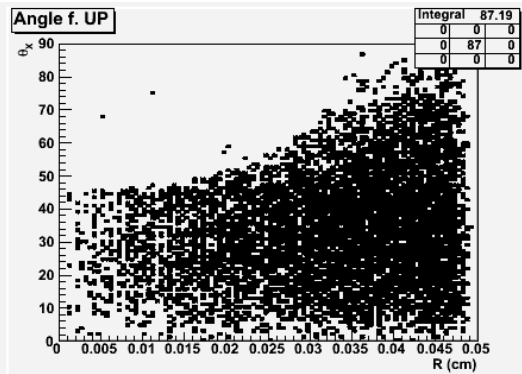
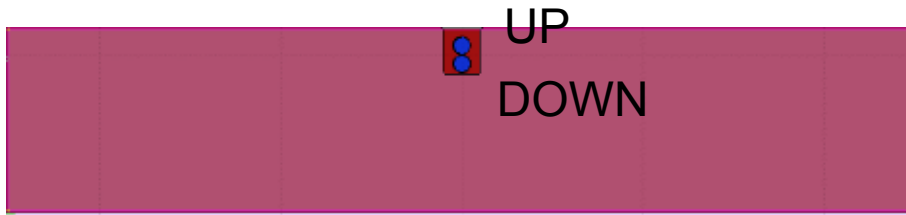


4.5 cm



Total =  $80 \gamma + 79 \gamma = 159 \gamma = +49\%$  wrt 1 fiber

# Light from 2 fibers on same scintillator



Total =  $87 \gamma + 93 \gamma = 180 \gamma = +68\%$  wrt 1 fiber

# Conclusion

- First version of simulation was setup
- First tuning done by comparison with real prototype
  - data reproduced at 10-20% level
  - behavior well reproduced
- Effect of glueing not well reproduced...

# Part 3:

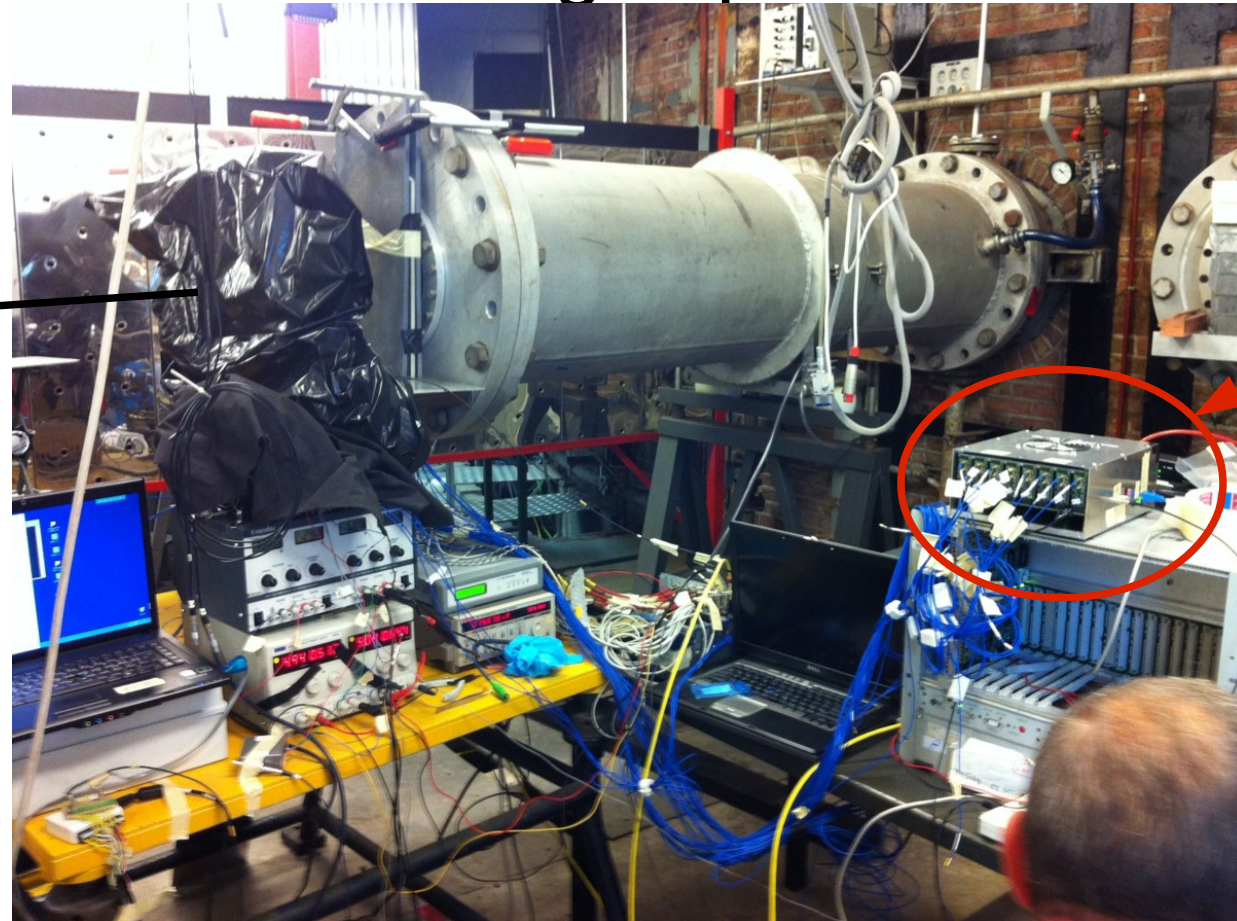
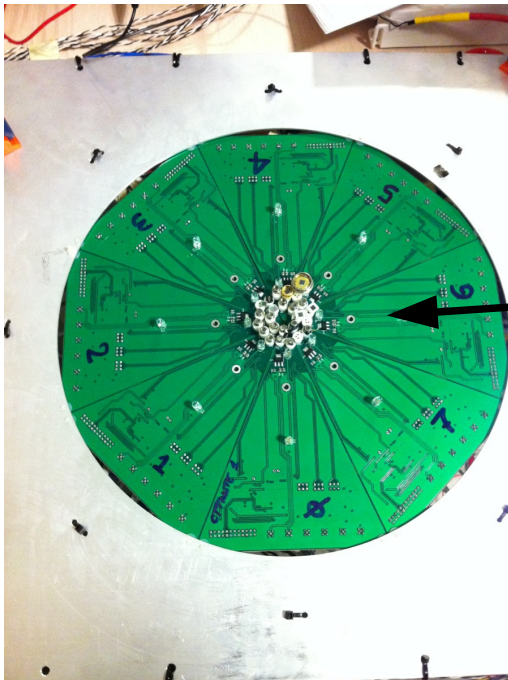
# Neutron irradiation test



# Setup at Gelina facility

- Low energy neutrons (peak at  $\sim 40$  meV)
- Total fluence  $\sim 2 \times 10^{10}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Measure dark rates and charge spectra

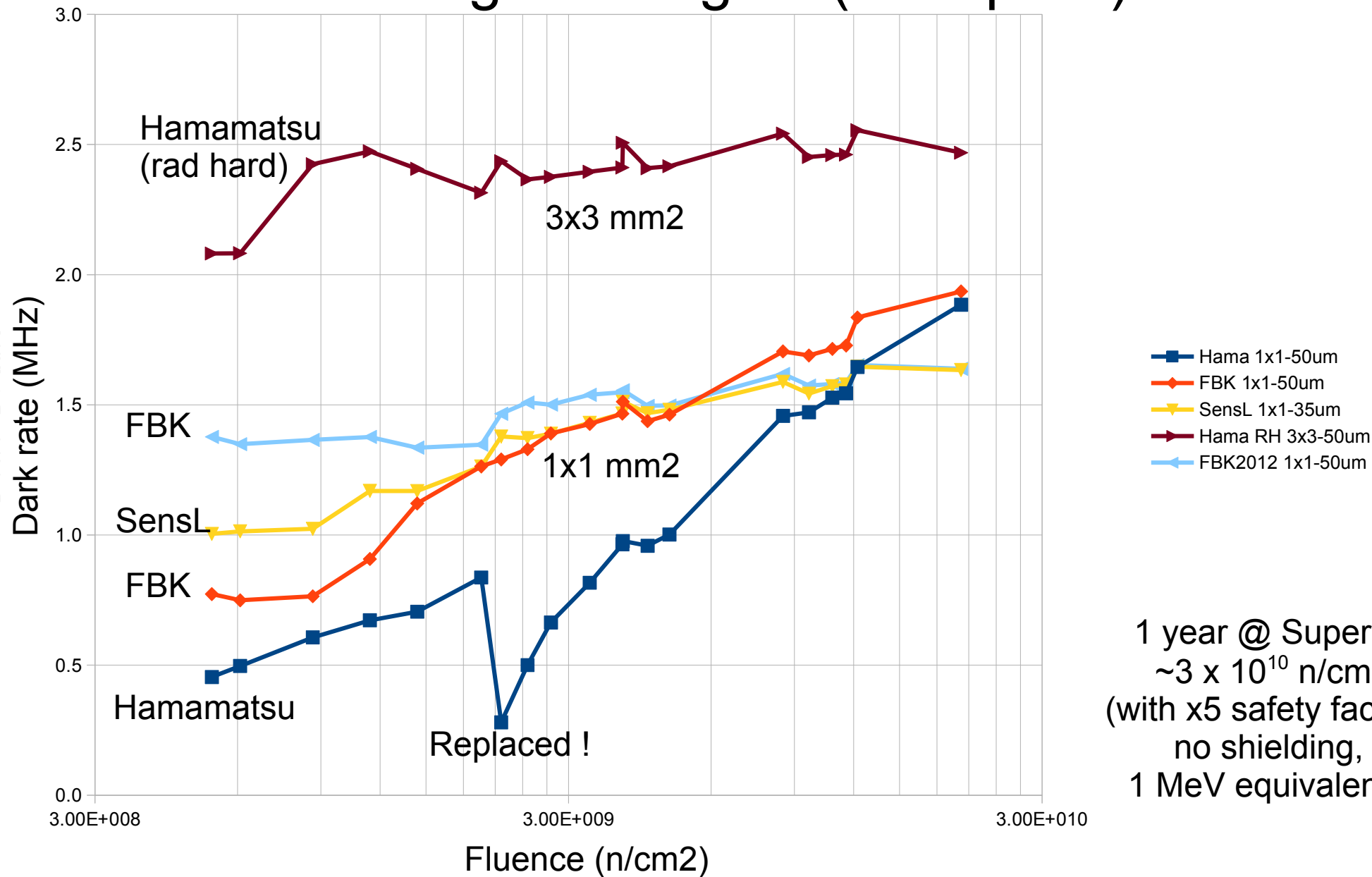
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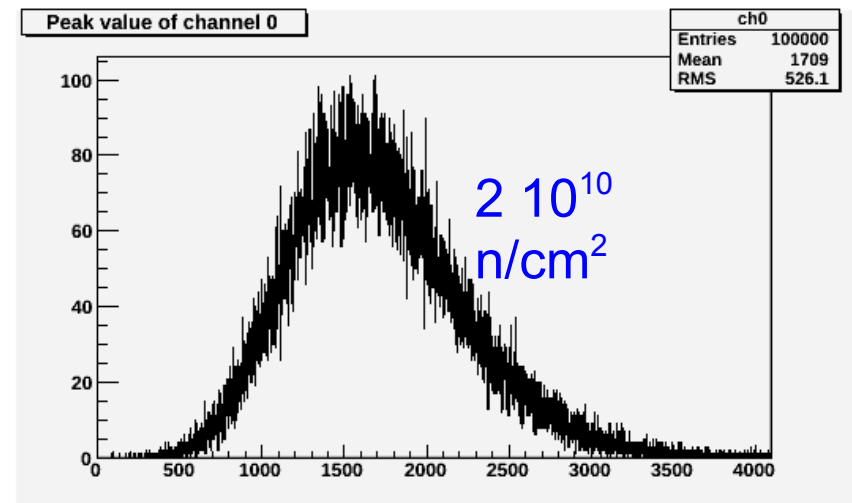
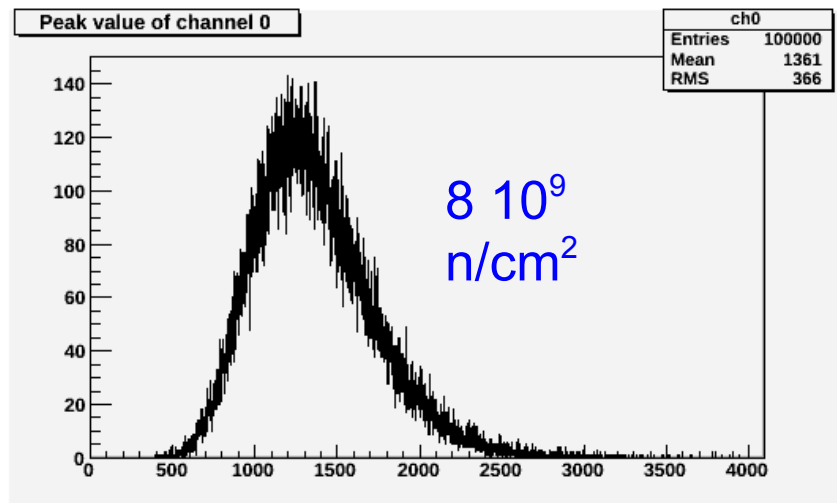
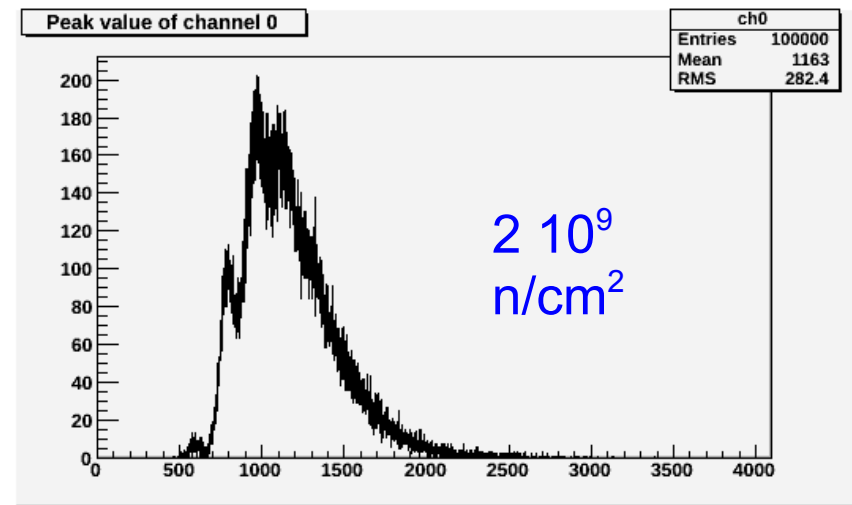
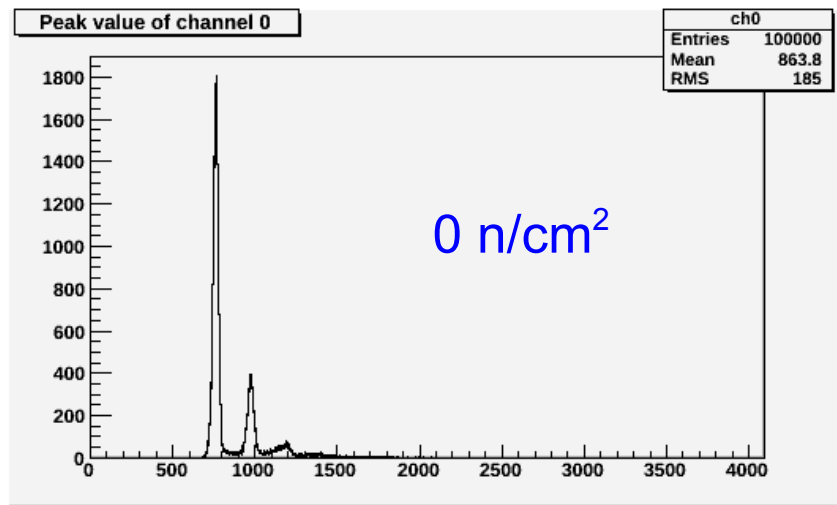
# Dark rate vs neutron fluence

- Threshold on integrated signal (>1.5 pixel)



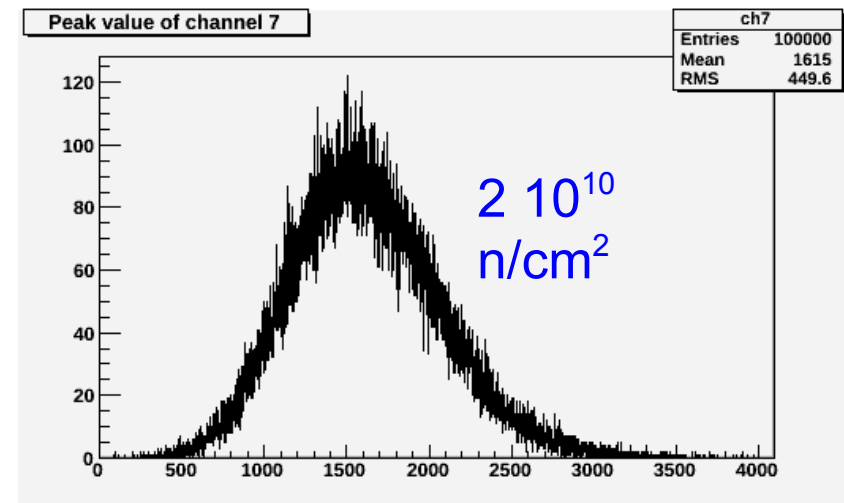
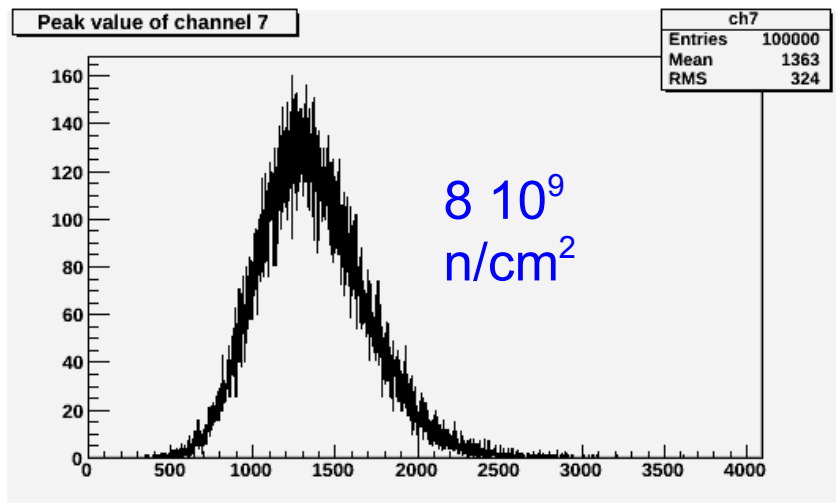
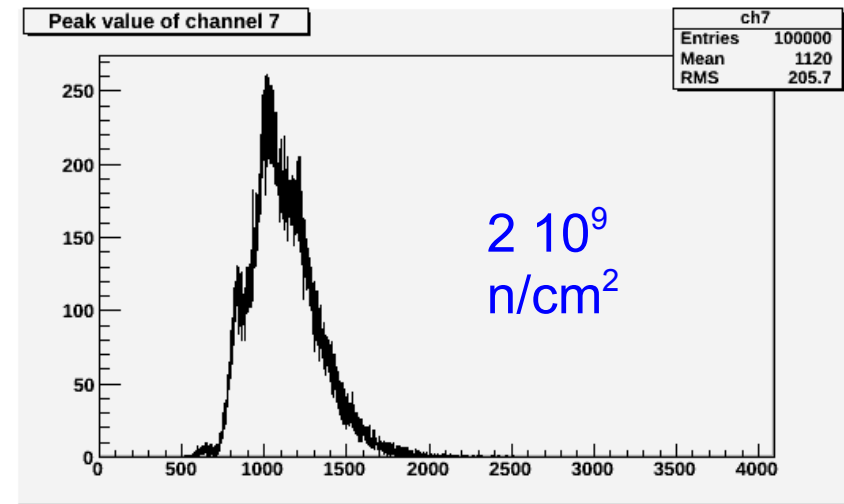
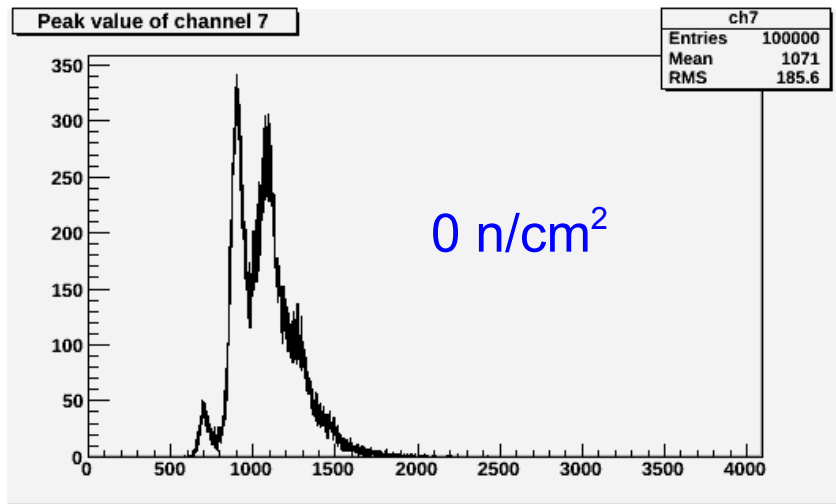
# Charge spectra: example 1

- Hamamatsu 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup>, 50 um pixel



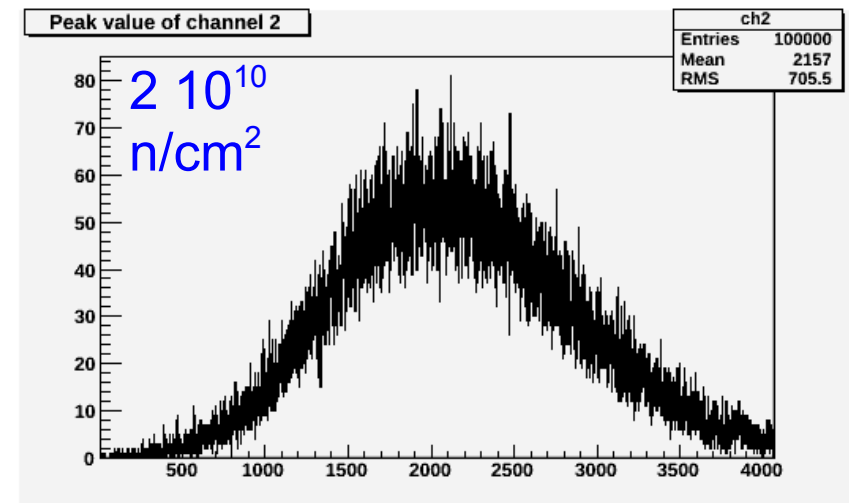
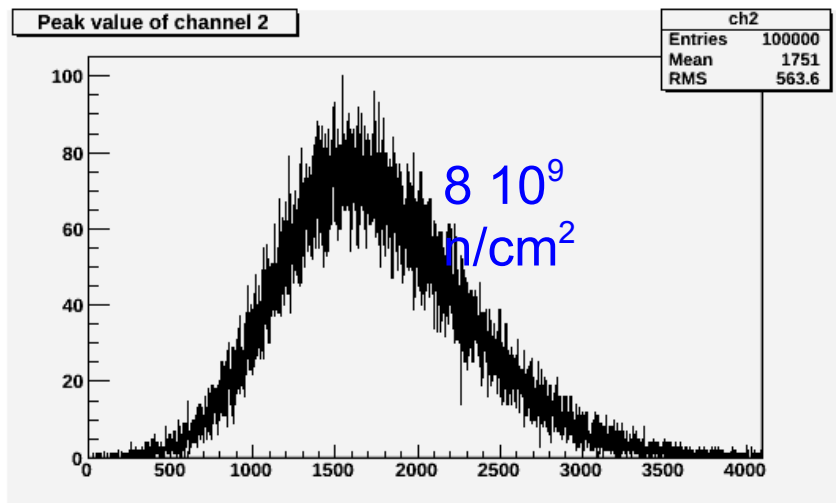
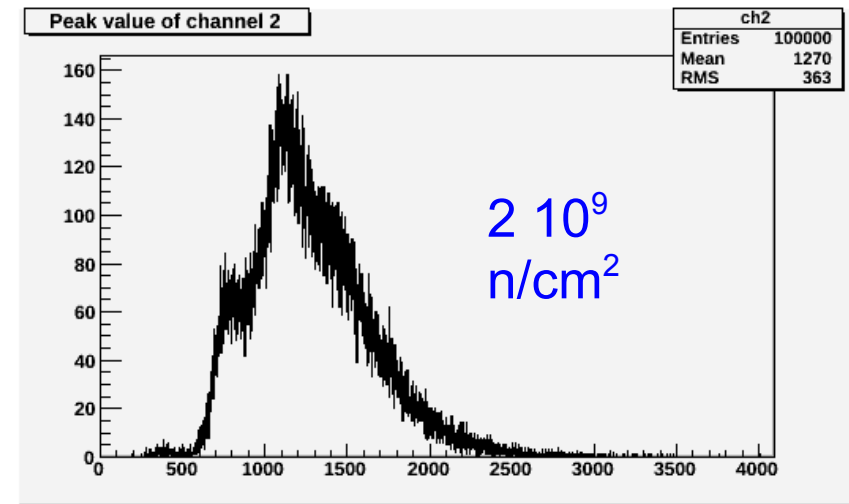
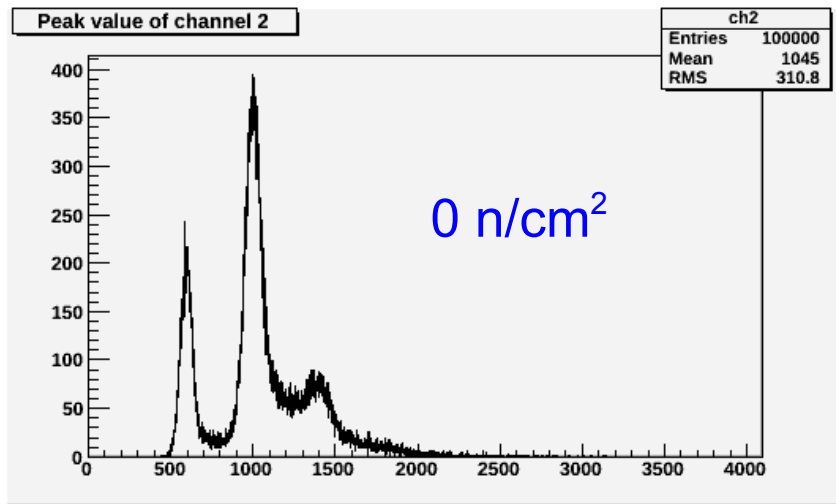
# Charge spectra: example 2

- FBK 2012 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup>, 50 um pixel



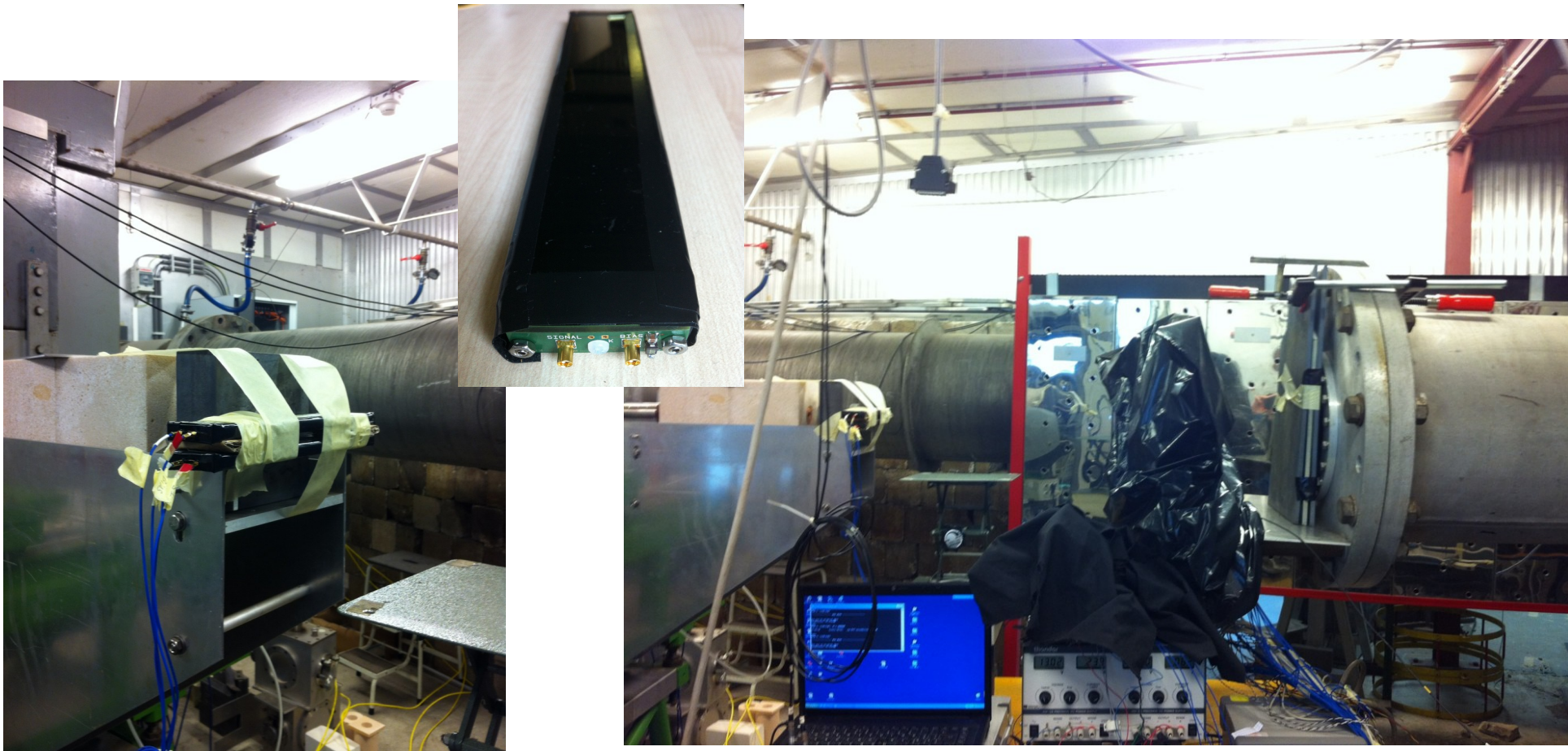
# Charge spectra: example 3

- FBK 2008 1x1 mm<sup>2</sup>, 50 um pixel





# Scintillator irradiation



- 2 prototype bars (WLS w/ and w/o glue)
- Irradiated with  $\sim 2 \times 10^{10}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup> ( $\sim 6 \times 10^8$  1Mev eq.)
- NO measurable effect (preliminary)

# Conclusion

- Very preliminary results
- Single photon capability (calibration) lost after few  $10^9$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Scintillator, fiber and glue not affected

# Backup slides



# Tables

Long bar - DATA

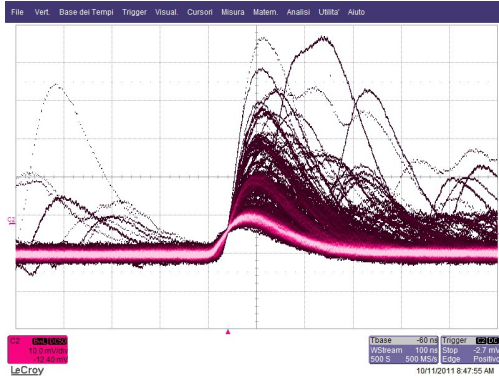
SIPM	D= 10 cm	D= 100 cm	D = 190 cm
Hamamatsu	38	20	15.5
FBK	25.5	14.8	12.8

Long bar - SIMULATION

SIPM	D= 10 cm	D= 100 cm	D = 190 cm
Hamamatsu	31	14	11

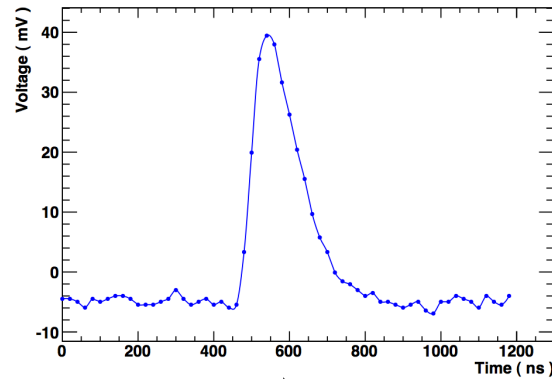
# Integrated charge measurements

Slow shaper on scope

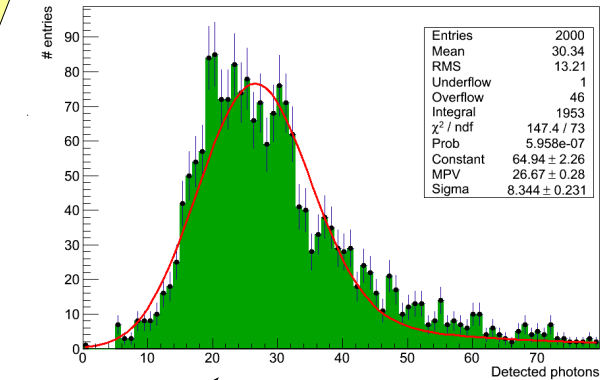
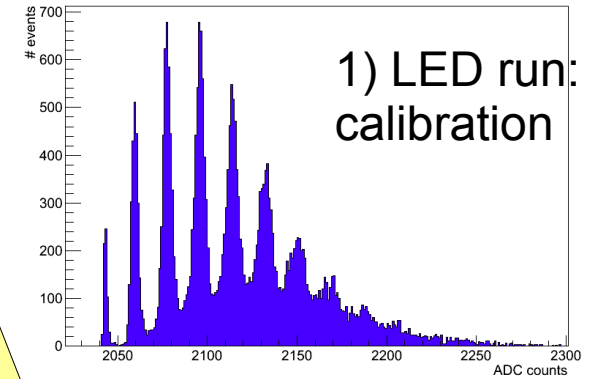


Peaking time ~70 ns

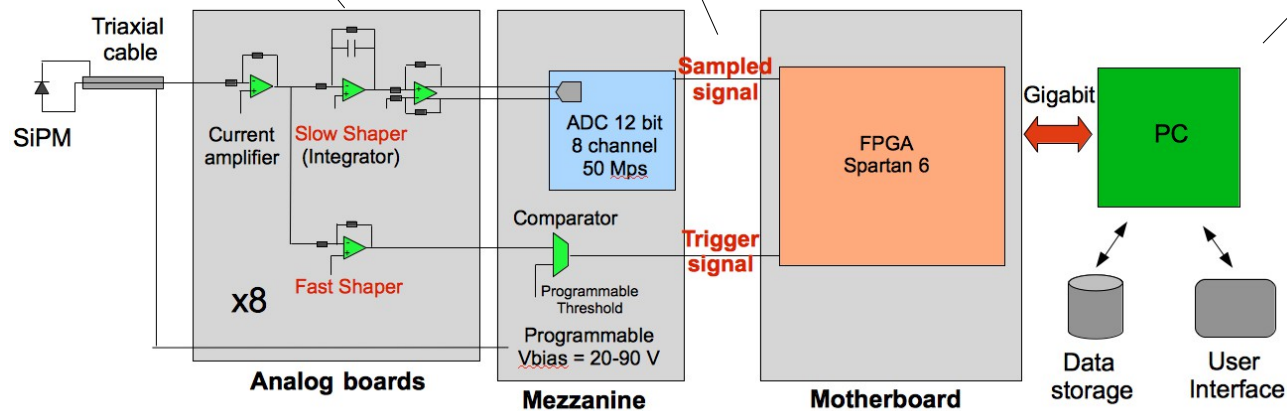
Digitized (50 Mps)



charge spectrum



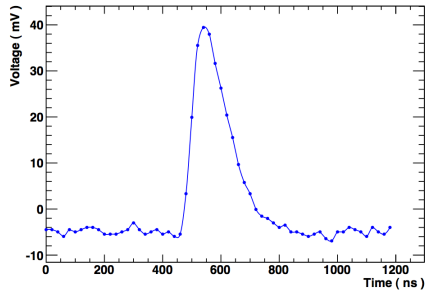
2) Muon run: MIP response



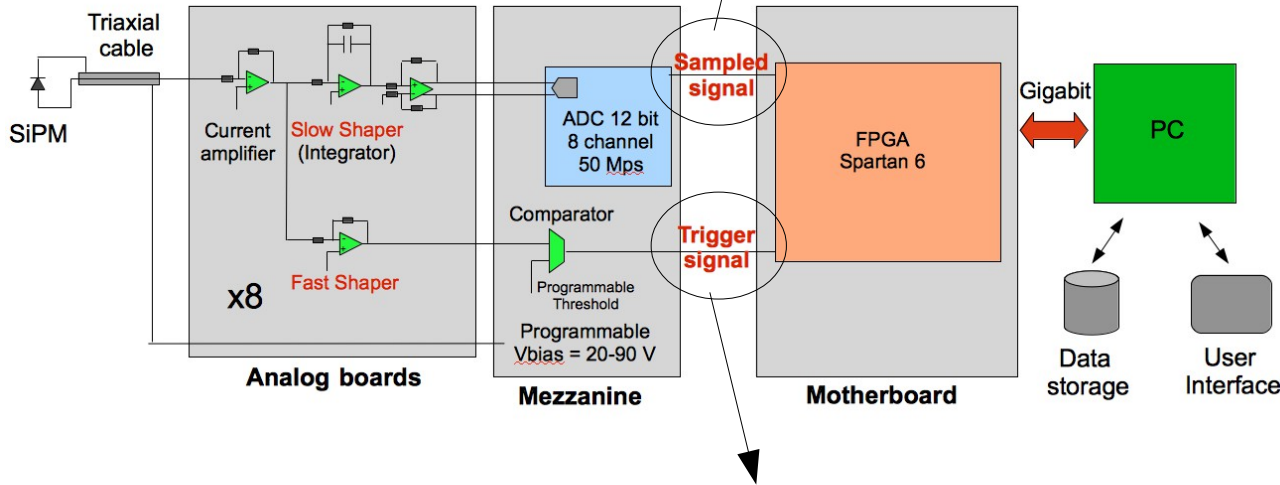
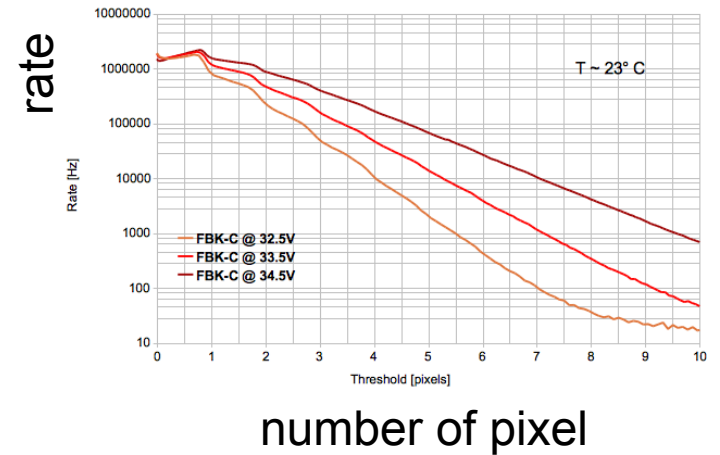
# Dark Noise rate measurements

A)

Slow shaper



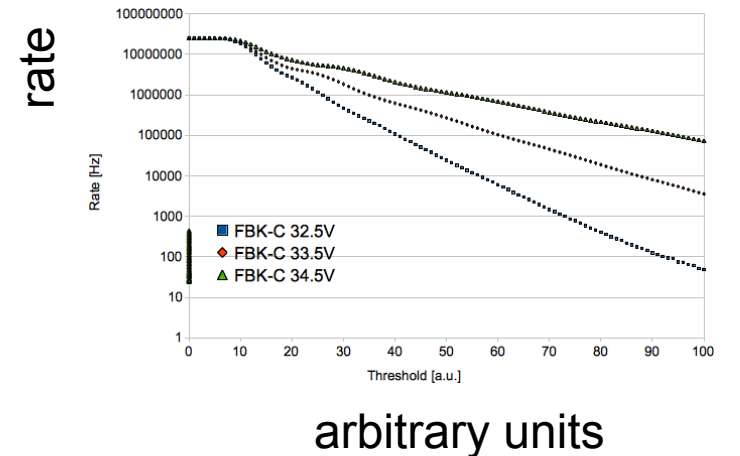
Threshold (fw) on integrated signal  
 Peaking time  $\sim 70$  ns  
 Trigger counters  
 Threshold calibrated with LED runs



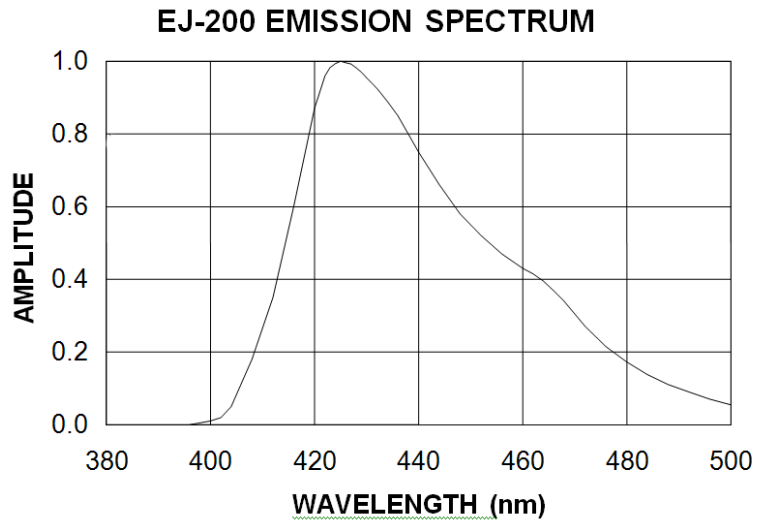
B)

Fast shaper

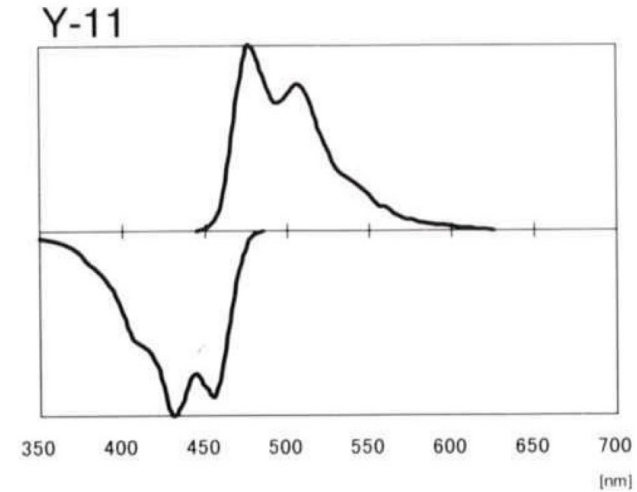
Threshold on comparators  
 Deadtime  $\sim 40$  ns (fw limit, can be reduced to  $\sim 10$  ns)  
 Trigger counters  
 Threshold not calibrated



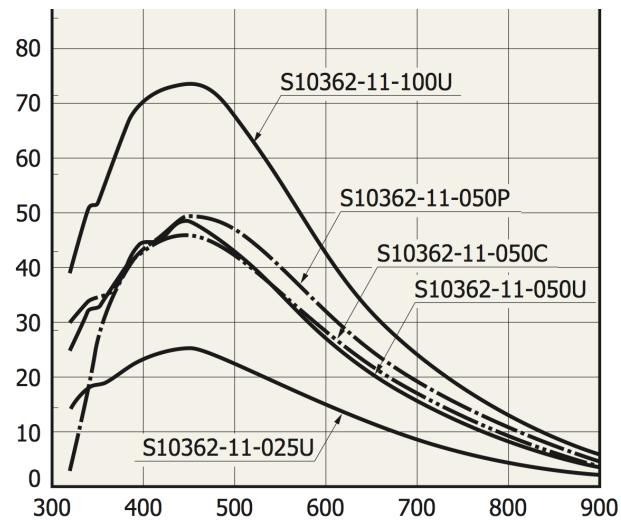
# Emission/Absorption spectra



Scintillator: EJ 200



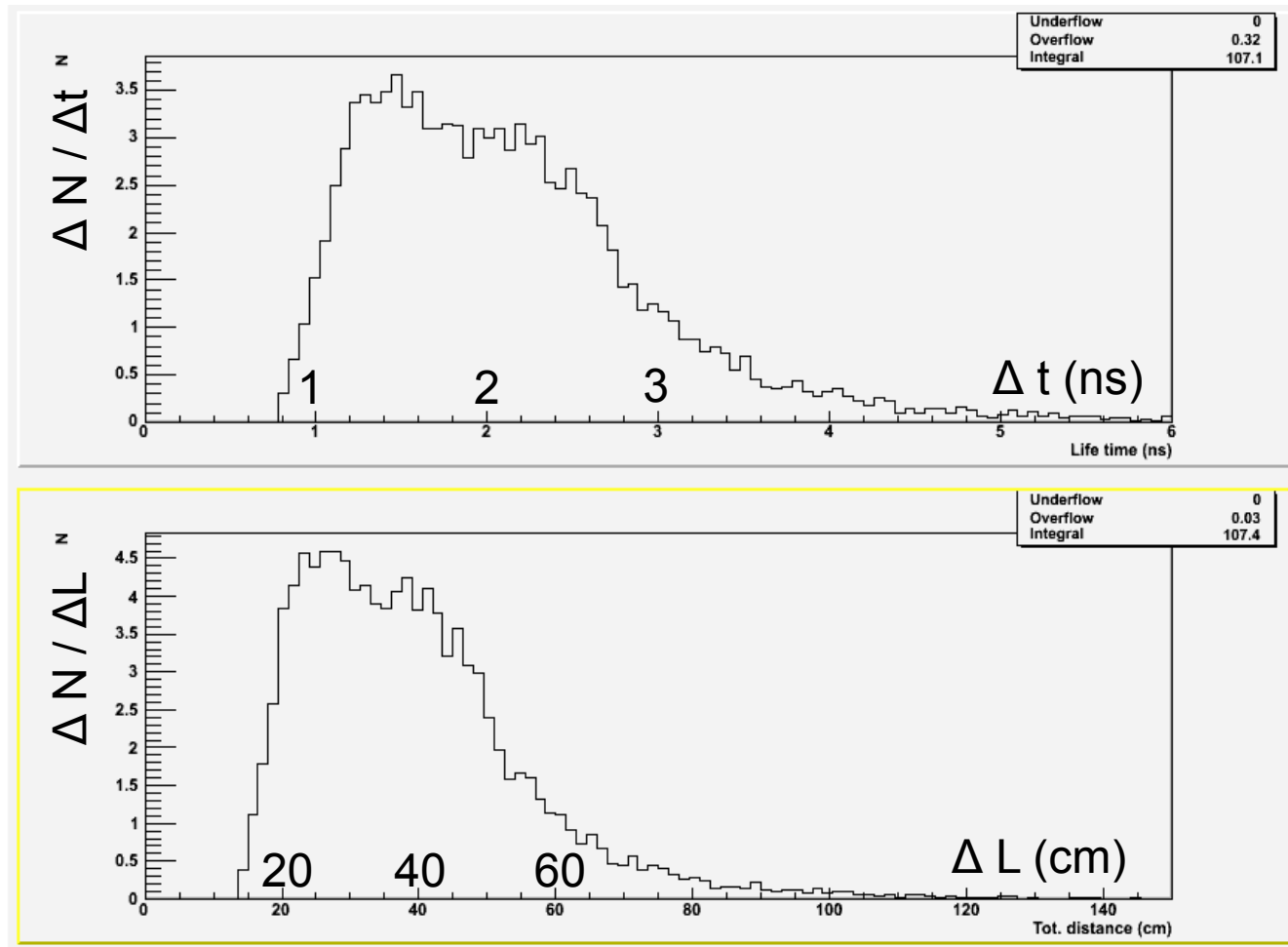
WLS fiber: Kuraray Y11



SiPM: Hamamatsu

# Photons arrival times

- If scintillator and WLS fiber decay times are NOT simulated:



# Photons arrival times

- Adding decay times simulation:
  - scintillator:  $\tau = 2$  ns
  - WLS fiber:  $\tau = 7.5$  ns

