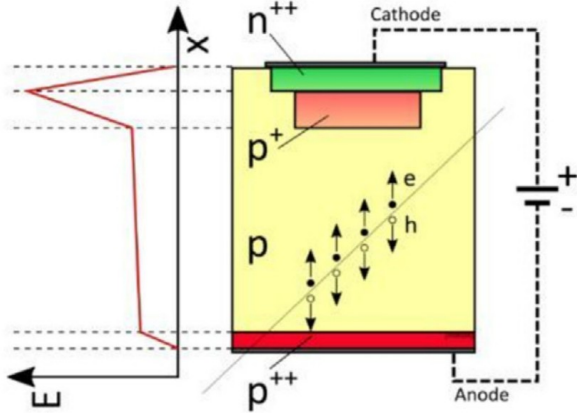


Plans for characterization of LGADs with 30 MeV protons

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Motivation

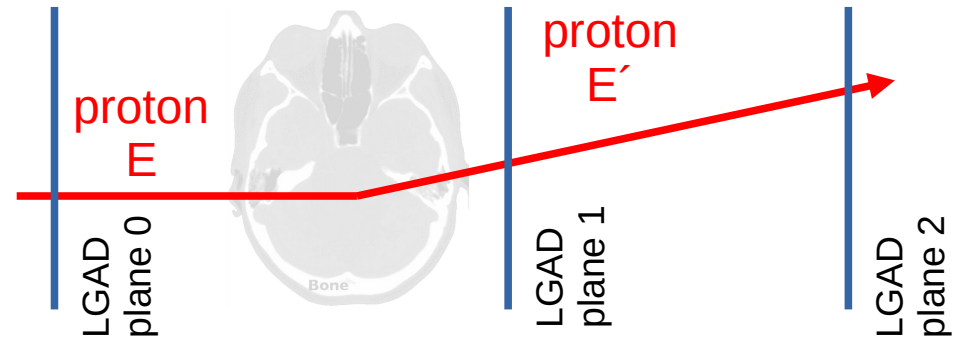


Low Gain Avalanche Detector

- Silicon detector with an additional highly doped p+ gain layer creating high electric field region for charge multiplication
- Intrinsic gain depends on: gain layer doping, bias voltage, temperature

Promising technology for **proton-CT**
 LGADs offer fast signal collection
 good spatial resolution
 energy via time of flight

G.Kramberger LGAD sensors for application in proton CT, RAD2023



Why do we want to characterize LGADs with 30 MeV protons ?

- How does response depend on angle for highly ionizing particles?
- Can we see increased gain due to less screening for angled tracks?

U-120M cyclotron @ NPI CAS

Protons ~ 30 MeV (TID & NIEL)

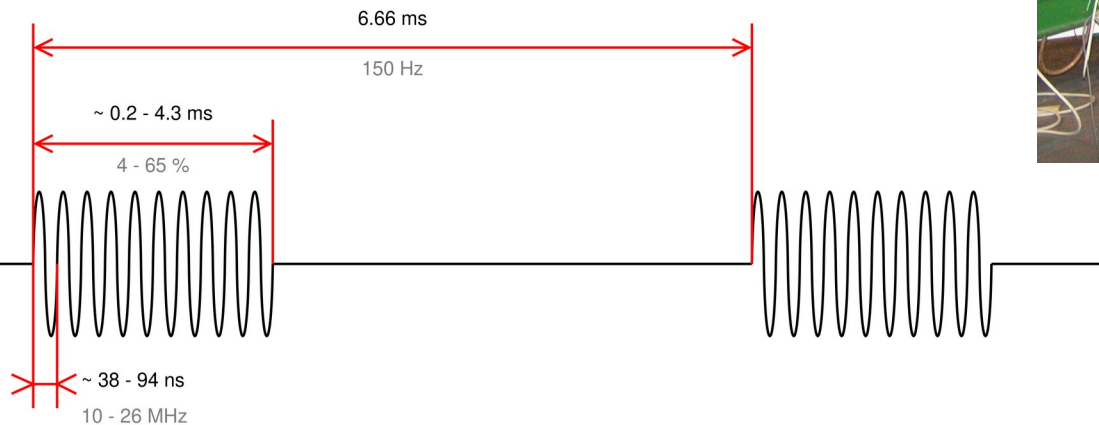
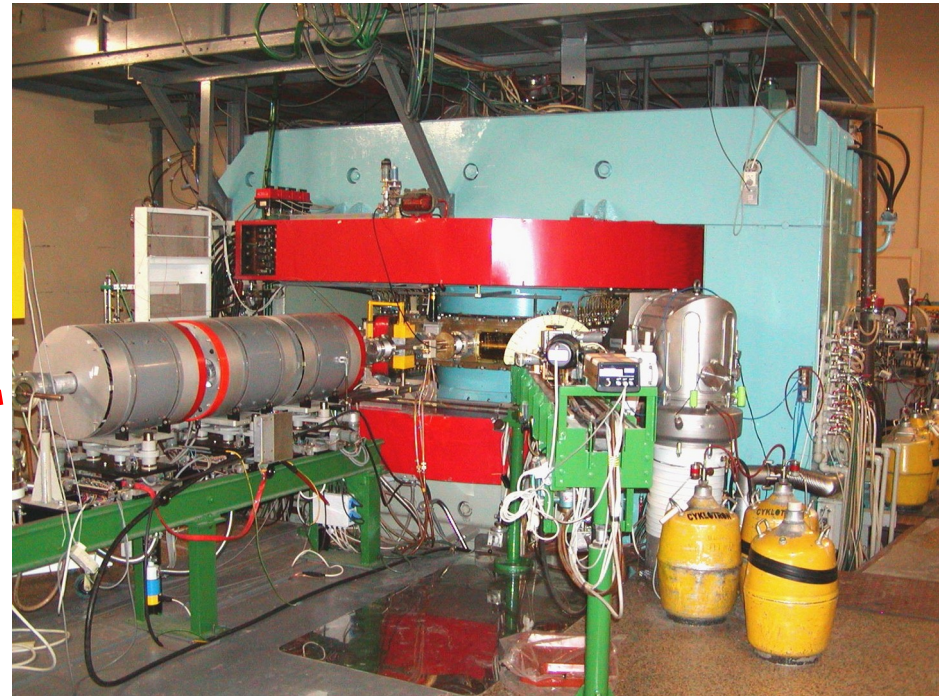
Beam profile 2D symmetric Gaussian

$$\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 11 \text{ mm}$$

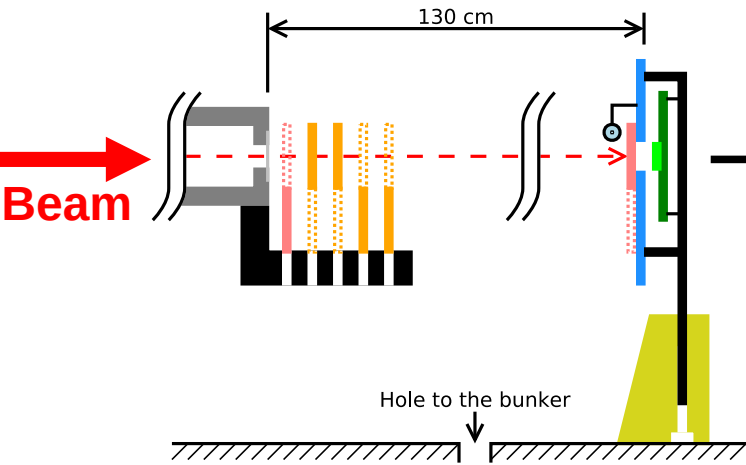
Time structure of the beam

- frequency 25 MHz
- shaped with 150 Hz macropulse
- typical duty cycle 5 - 10%

Beam



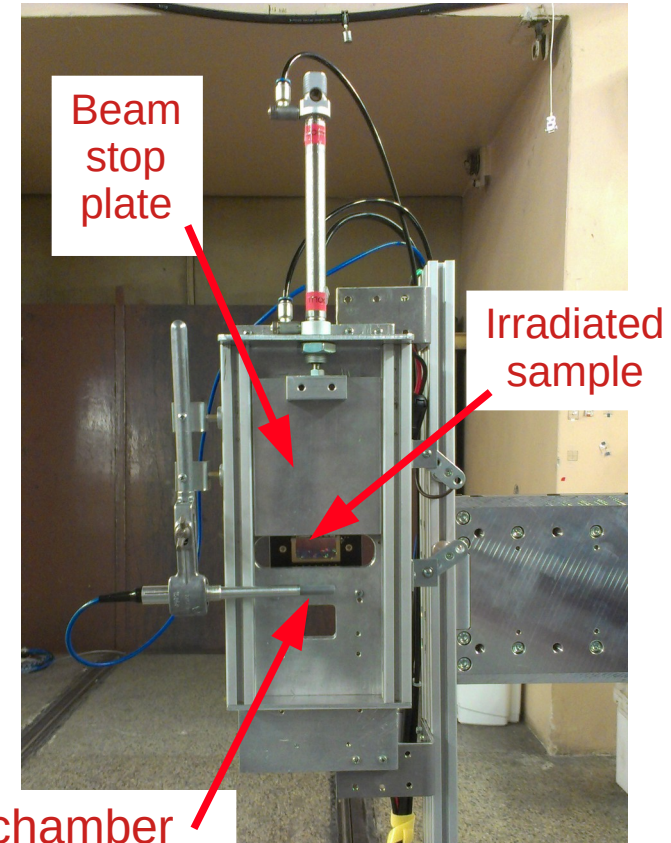
Setup used for MAPS irradiation



- Energy degrader plates (0.5 - 4 mm Al)
- Beam stop plates (8 mm Al)
- Shielding (8 mm Al)
- ⊙ Ionization chamber
- Irradiated sample
- Shielded part of target (circuit board)
- X-Y positioner (MCL)
- Beam pipe and its exit window
- - -> Proton beam



Movable XY stage

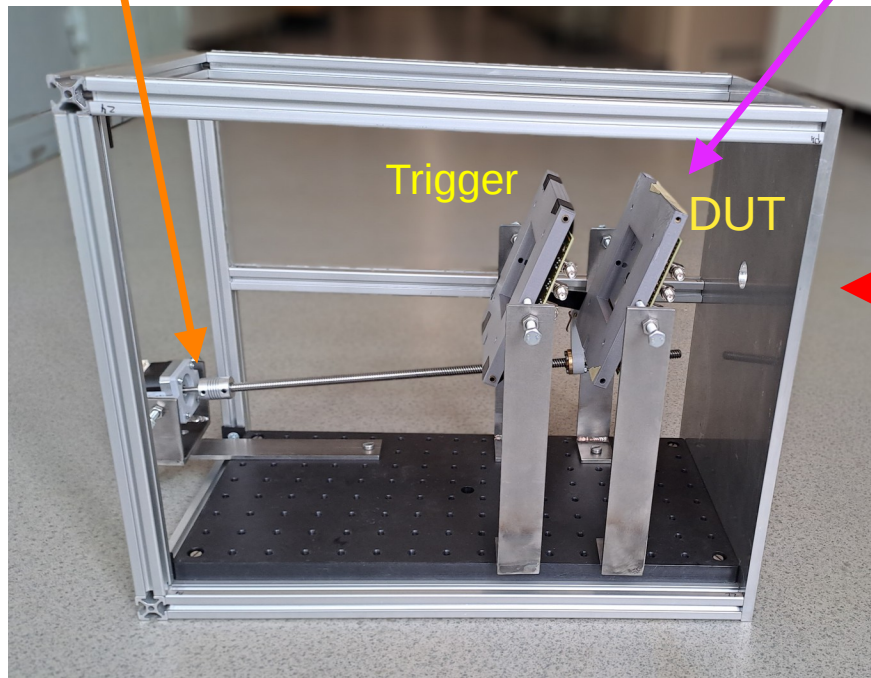


linear response up to 10^9 protons $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

Setup for LGAD irradiation

Stepper motor with threaded shaft to tilt the LGAD boards

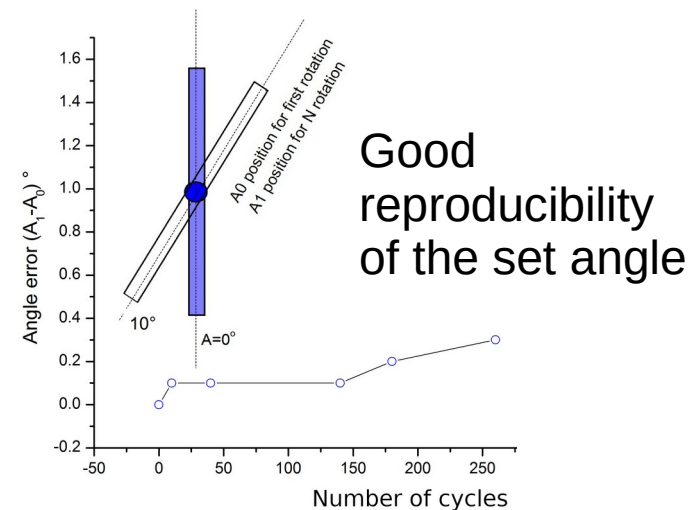
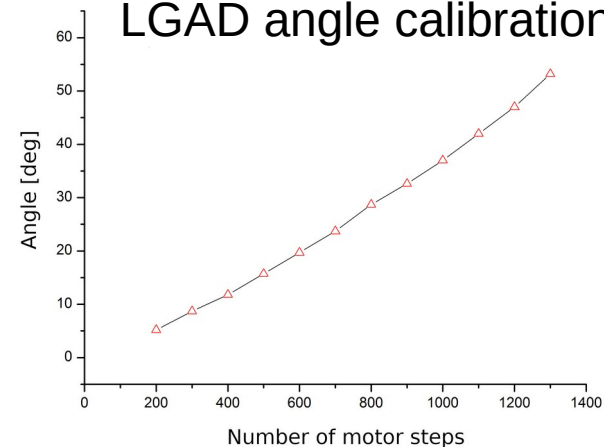
Frames with LGAD boards



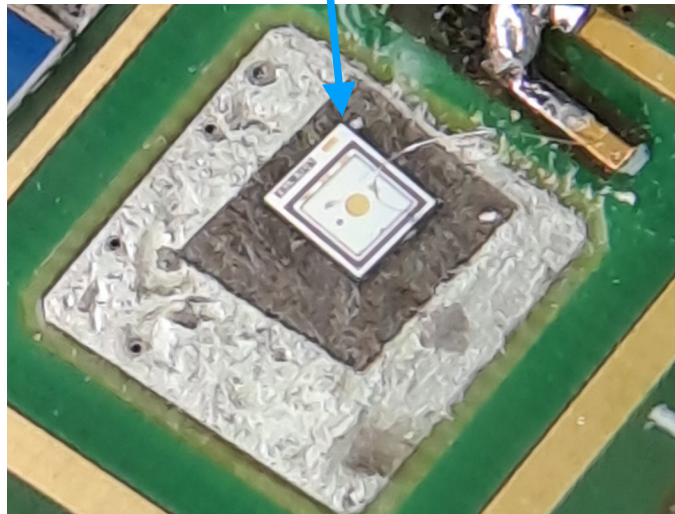
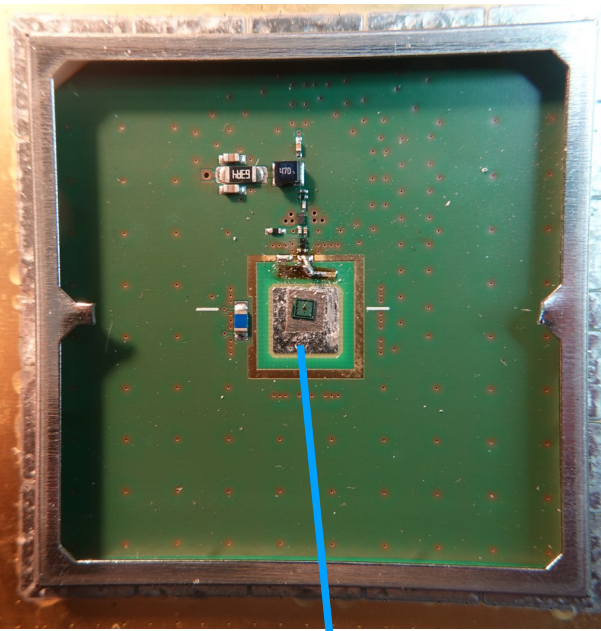
Beam

- Alignment of both LGADs with laser
- Enclosing the setup with metal sheets

LGAD angle calibration



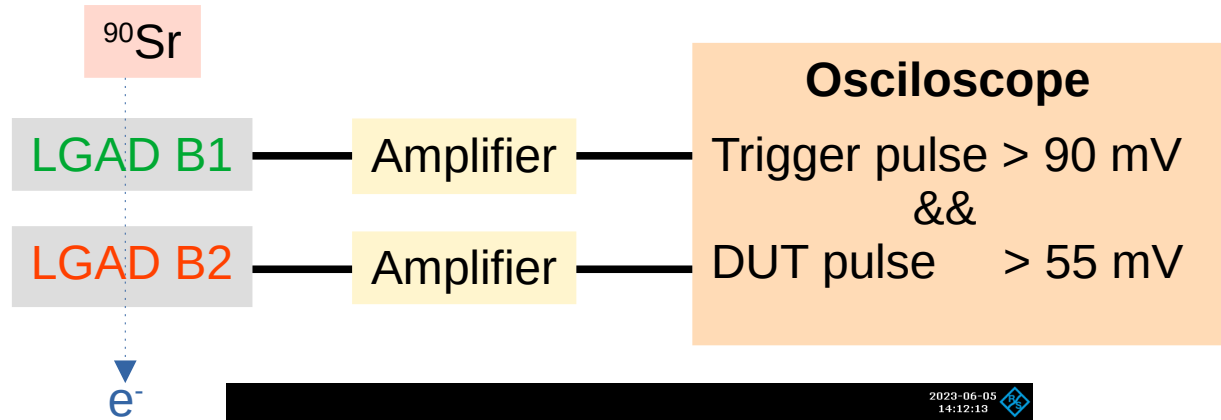
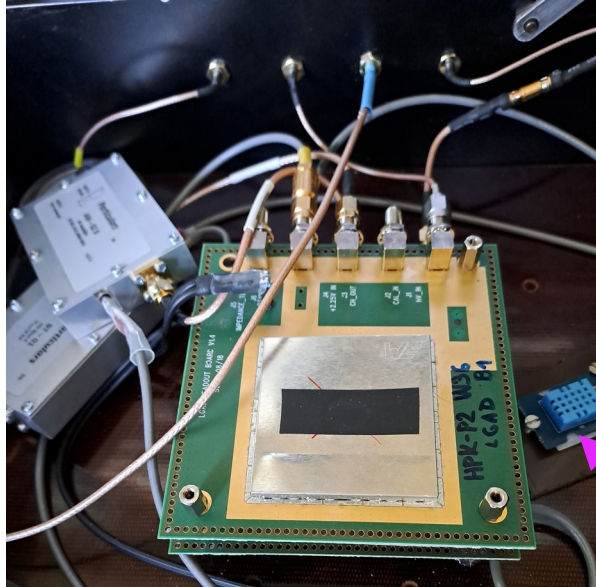
LGADs



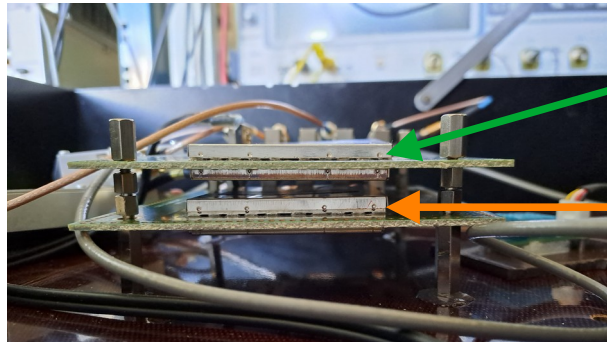
Thickness	200 μm
Active layer	50 μm
Gain layer depletion voltage	$\sim 51.5 \text{ V}$
Gain layer depth	$\sim 2.4 \mu\text{m}$
Full depletion voltage	$\sim 60 \text{ V}$
Break down voltage of devices	$\sim 200 \text{ V}$
Size of the pads	$1.3 \times 1.3 \text{ mm}^2$

Coincidence of 2 LGADs in lab

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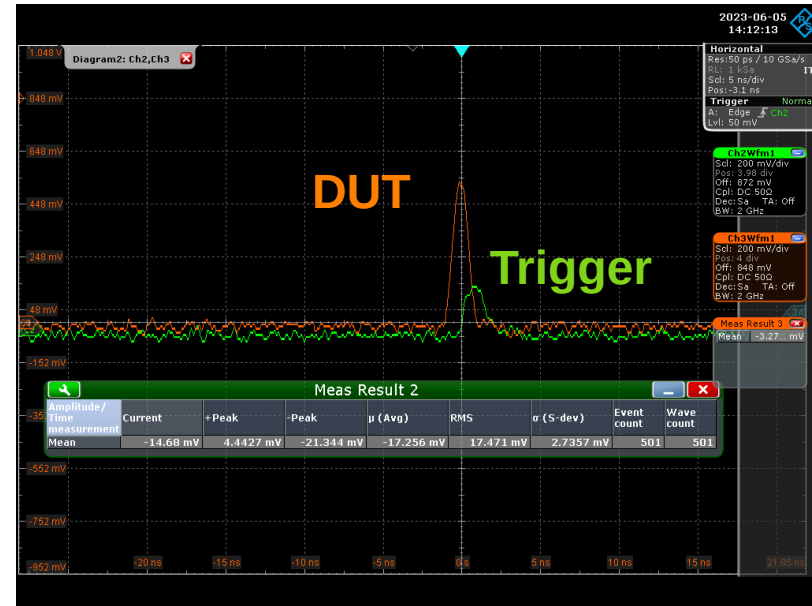


Temp. & Humidity monitor

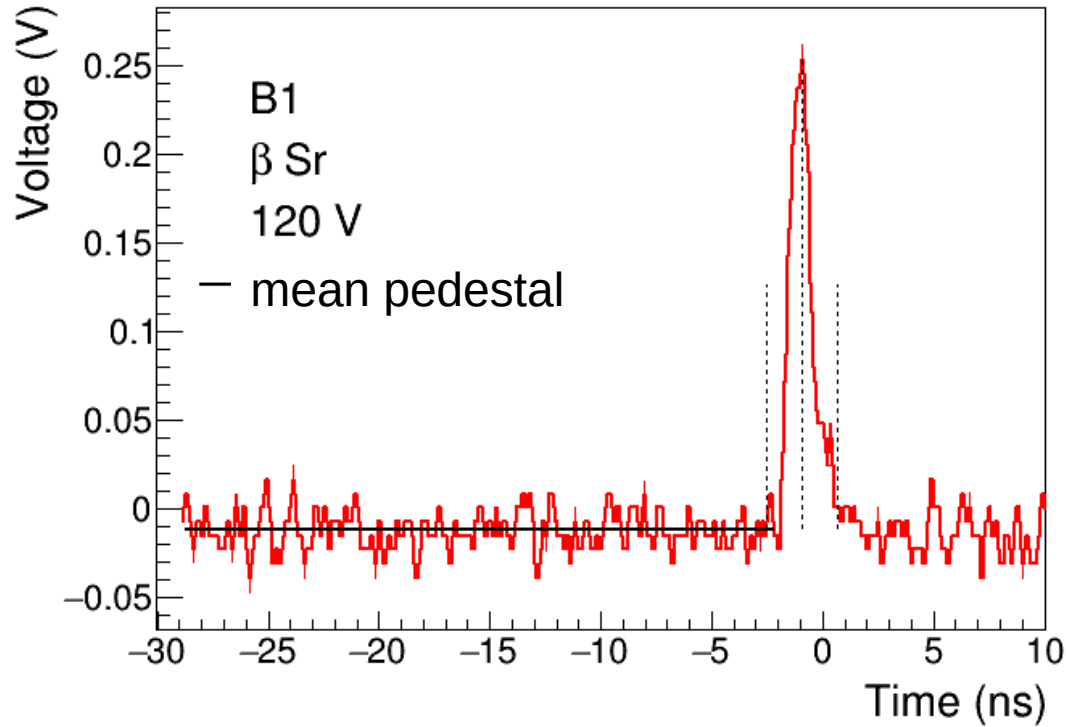


LGAD B1
Trigger

LGAD B2
DUT



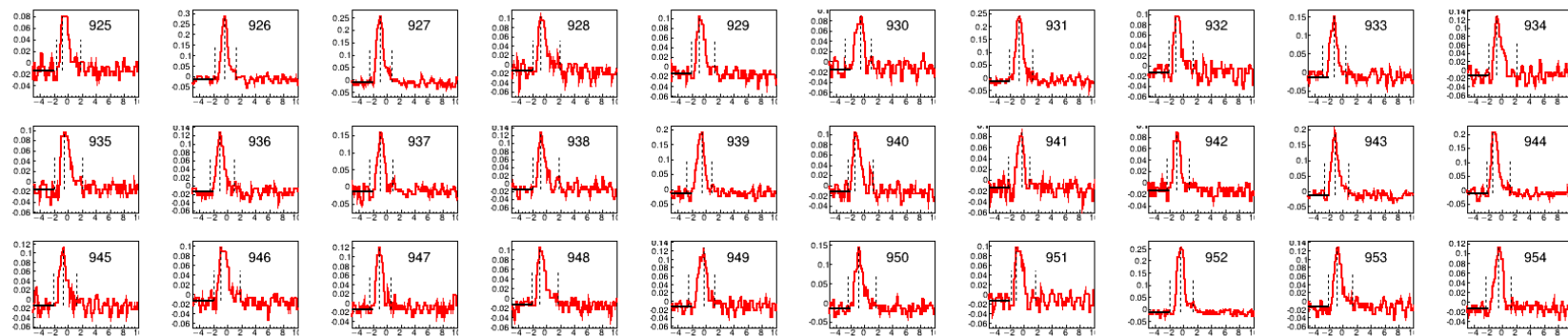
Waveform analysis



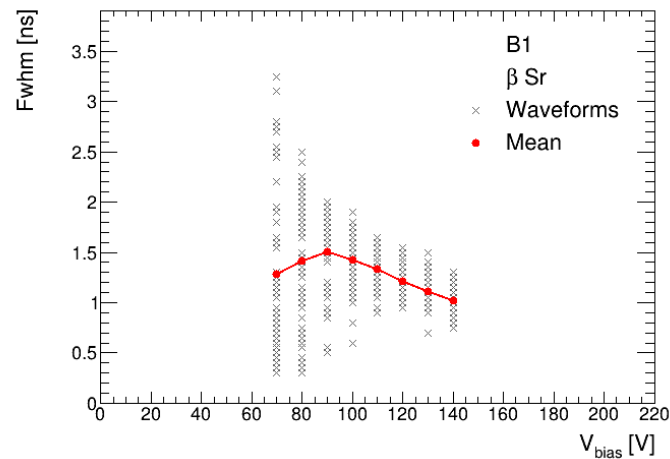
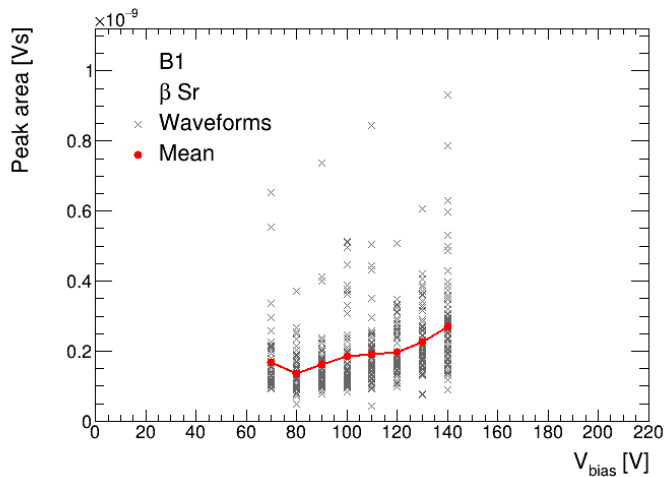
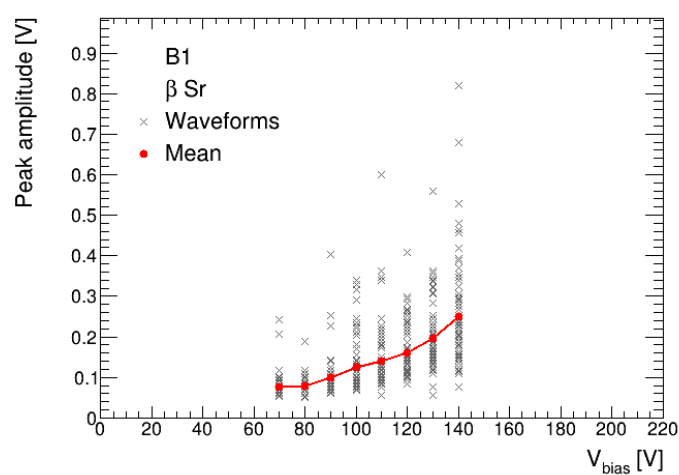
- Fit pedestal level
- Evaluate pedestal noise RMS
- Find signal maximum
- Peak amplitude $> 5 \times$ noise RMS
- Integrate signal in the peak region
(between the shorter dashed lines)

Statistical analysis

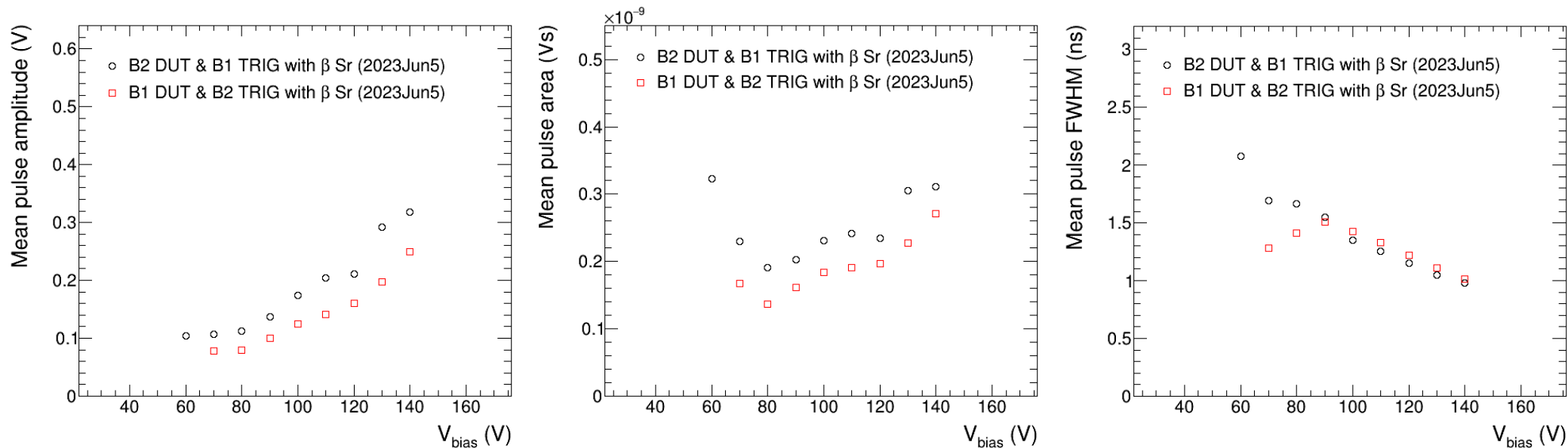
For given V_{bb}
record ~80
waveforms



Look at statistical spread

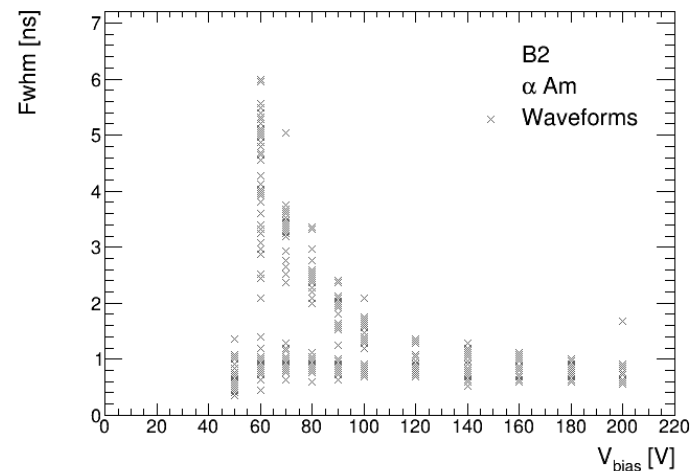
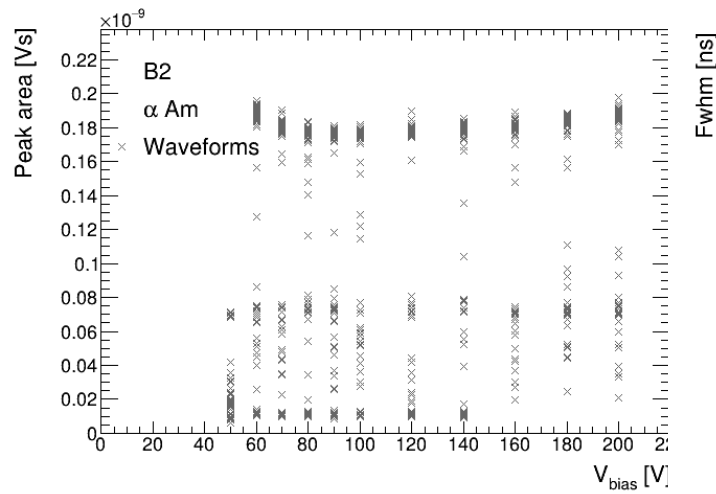
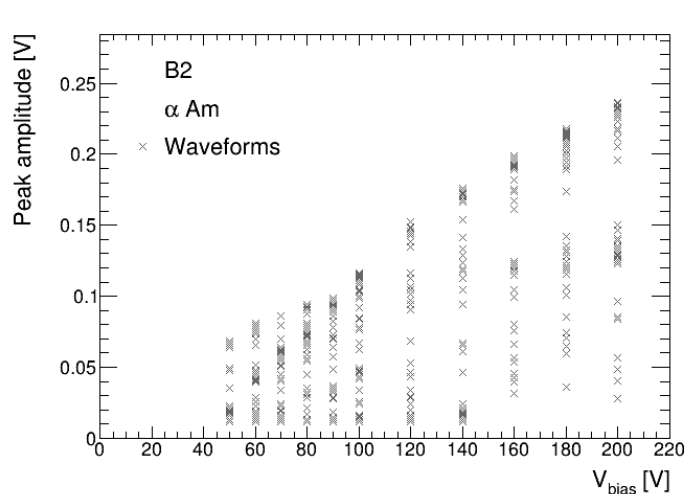


Mean peak amplitude, area, FWHM for ^{90}Sr β source with 2 LGADs in coincidence

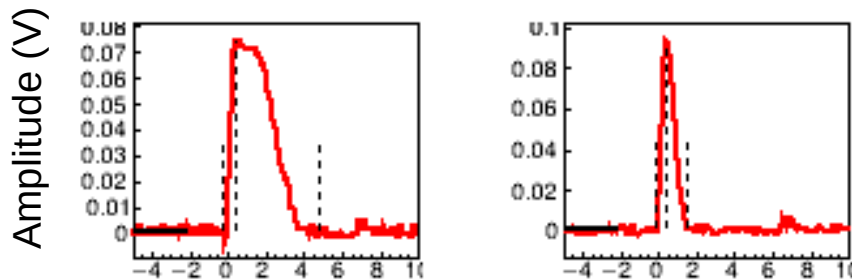


T \sim 24 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

Mean peak amplitude, area, FWHM for ^{241}Am source & w/o amplifier & autotrigger



Waveforms for $V_{\text{bb}} = 80$ V



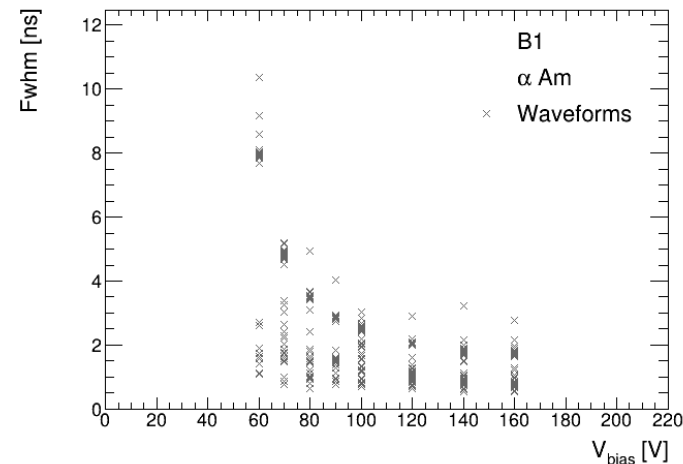
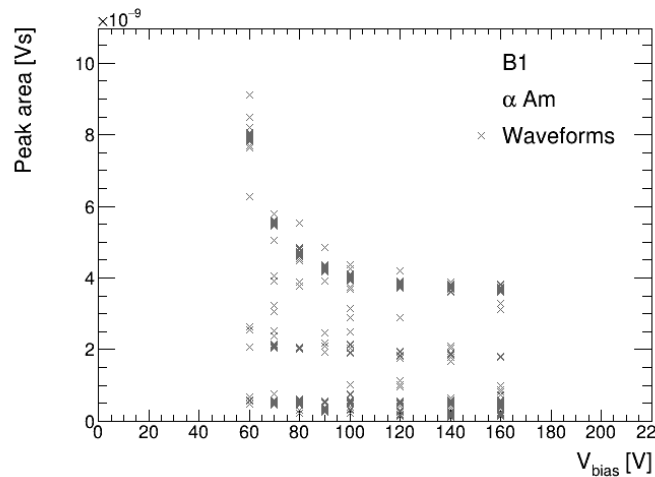
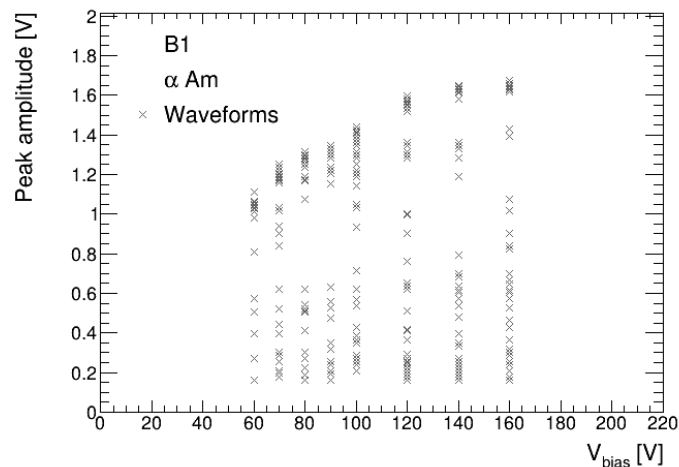
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- With amplifier pulse amplitude exceeds ~ 0.6 V when amplifier starts to saturate

Outlook

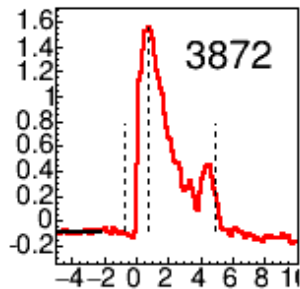
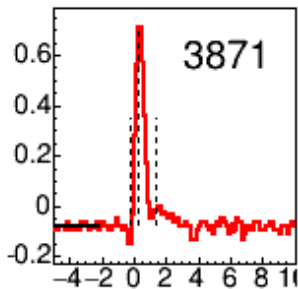
- Make reference measurements with PIN diodes
- Finalize setup for the test at cyclotron
- Investigate whether cyclotron RF matters
- The experiment is expected during September

Backup

Mean peak amplitude, area, FWHM for ^{241}Am source & with amplifier & autotrigger



Waveforms for $V_{\text{bb}} = 140$



- Mixed field of α and γ (60 keV)
- Pulse Amplitude exceeds amplifier ~ 0.6 V when amplifier starts to saturate