



Study of 144-Channel Multi-Anode Hybrid Avalanche Photo-Detector for the Belle II RICH Counter

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QE and single photon sensitivity
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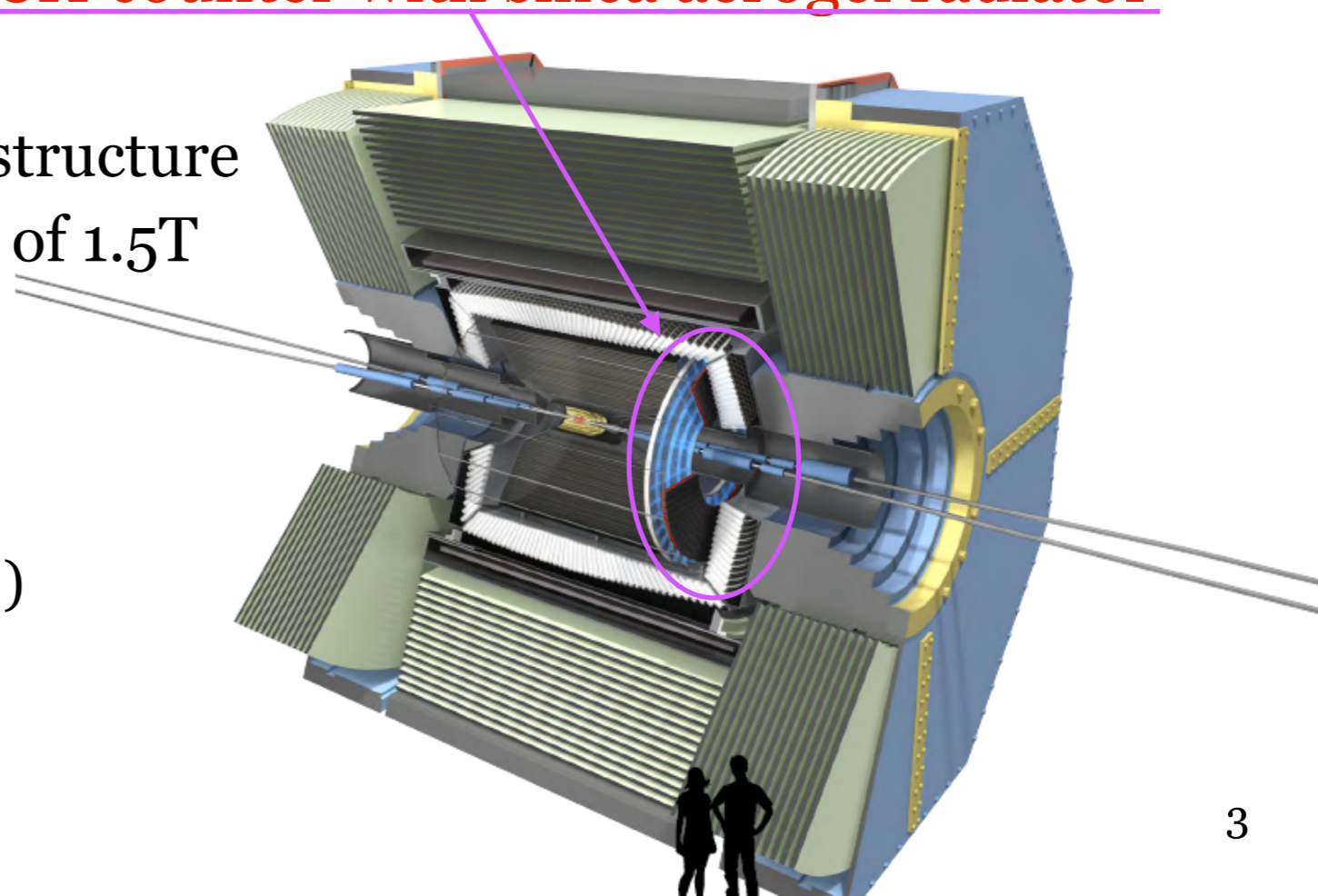
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Belle II RICH Counter

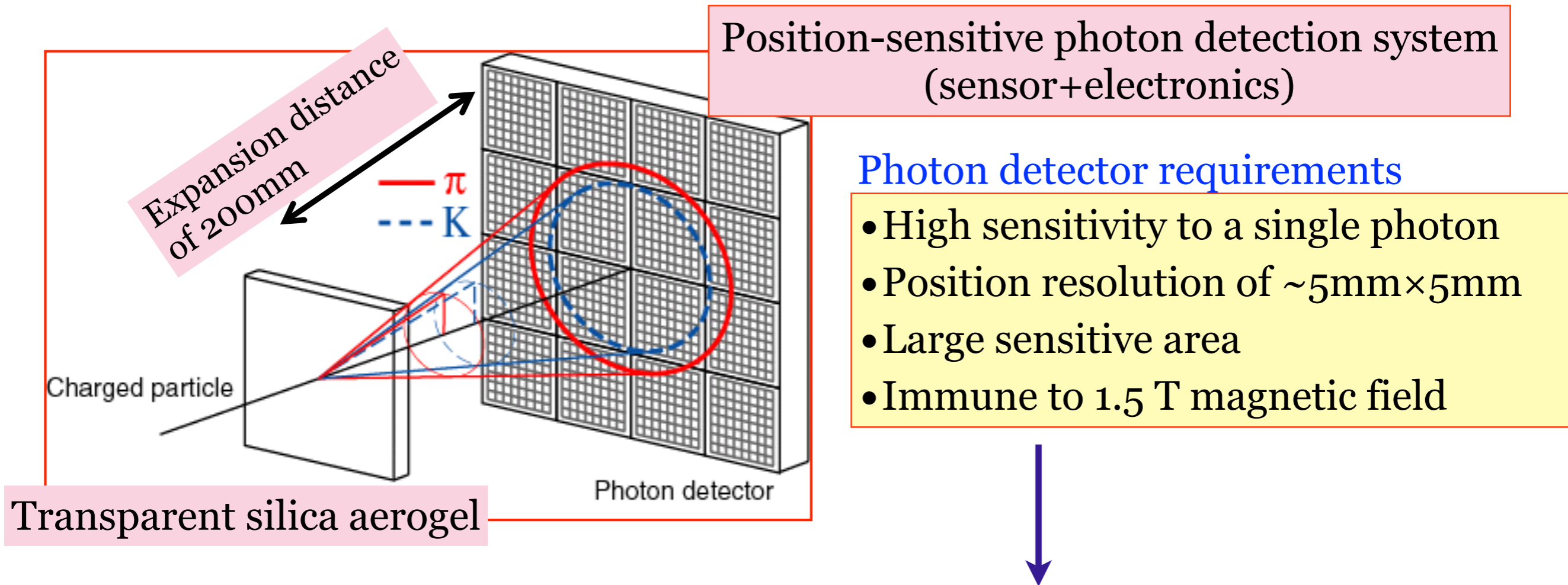
- Particle identification devices at the Belle II experiment newly constructed and installed.
 - Further expand K/π separation capability
 - More sensitivity for New Physics search via $B \rightarrow \rho \gamma$, for instance
 - Cope with higher background
- End-cap: Proximity focusing RICH counter with silica aerogel radiator
 - Limited space due to the Belle structure
 - Located inside a magnetic field of 1.5T

(Barrel: Time-of-Propagation counter)



Proximity Focusing RICH

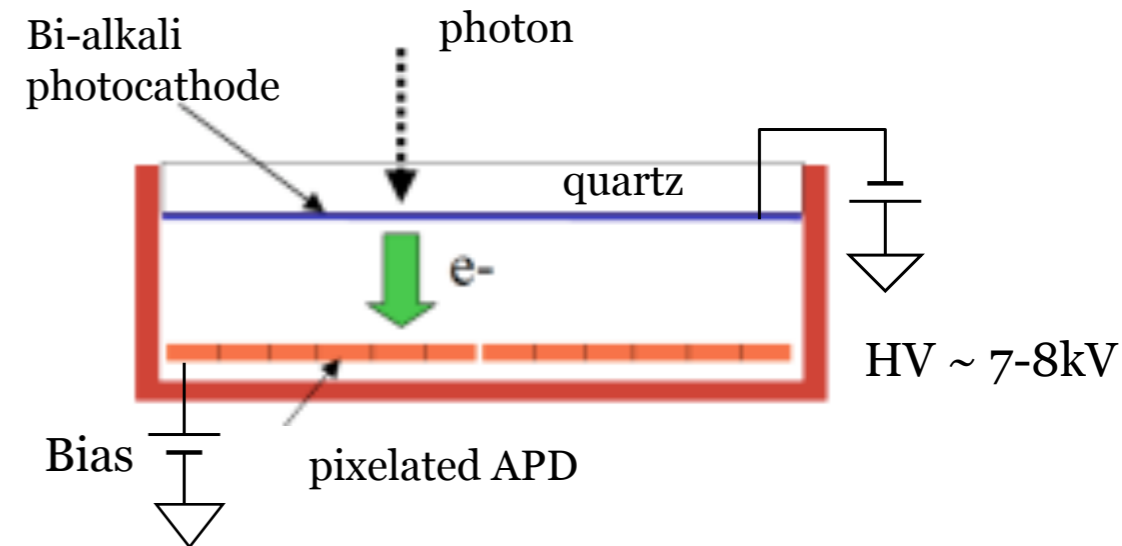
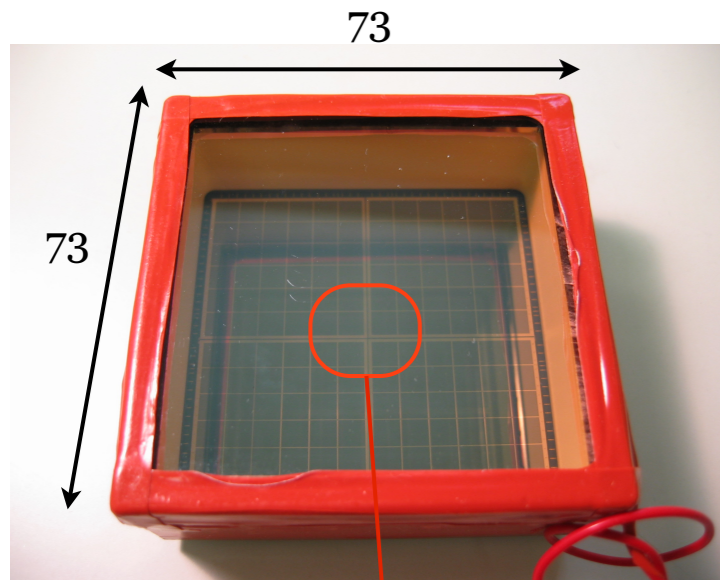
Target: more than 4σ K/ π separation at $p=4$ GeV/c



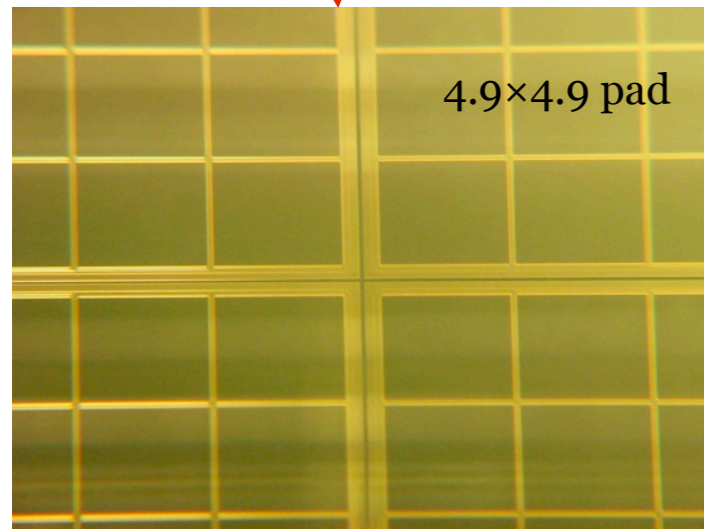
Multi-anode Hybrid Avalanche Photo-Detector (HAPD)

developed with Hamamatsu Photonics K.K.
for Belle II RICH counter

Hybrid Avalanche Photo-Detector (HAPD)



Specifications

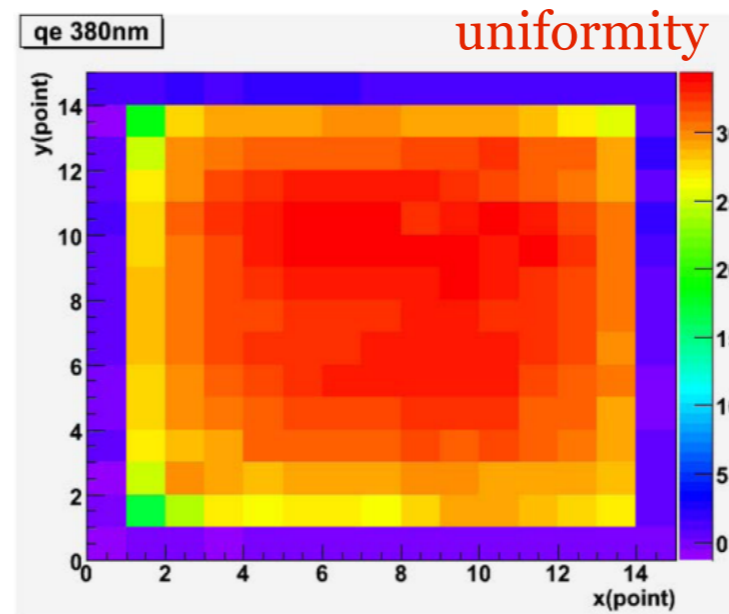
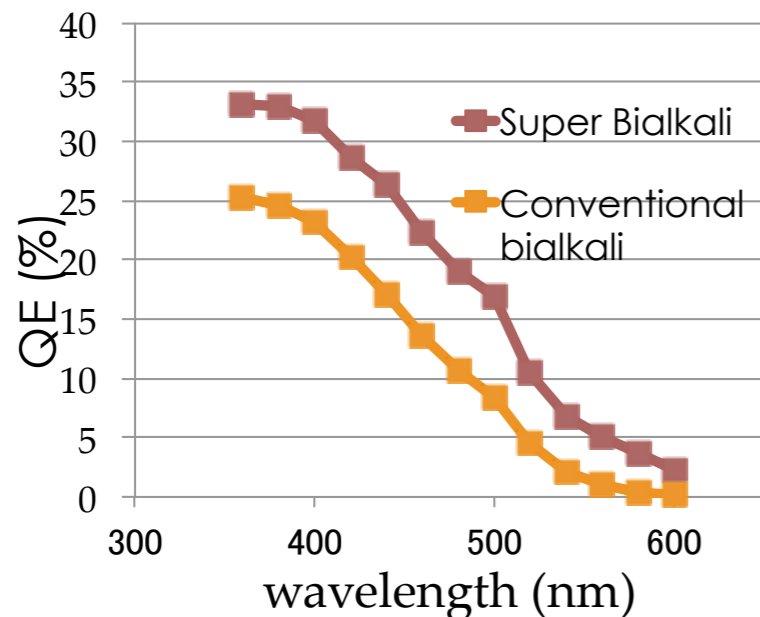


4 pixelated APDs are housed

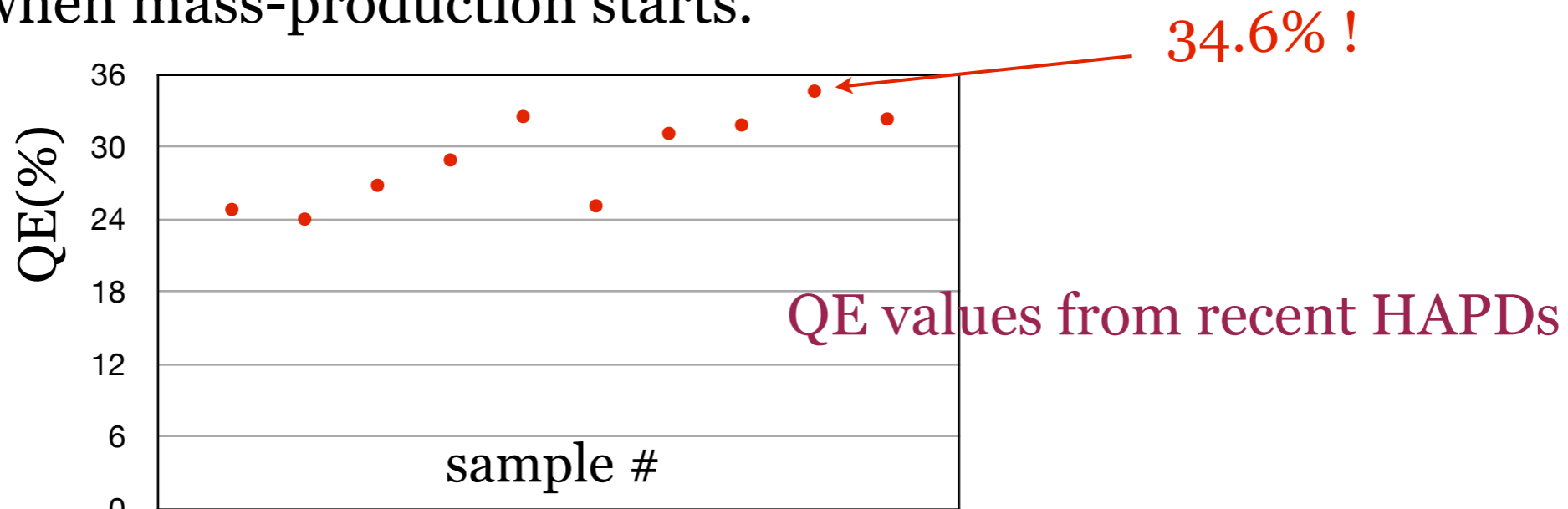
package	73×73mm ²
sensitive area	64%
# of pixels	144(36×4chips)
capacitance	80pF
weight	220g
peak QE	27~31%
bombardment gain	1300~1500
avalanche gain	~50
total gain	~10 ⁵

Quantum Efficiency

- We achieved high QE of 33 % in 2009 based on HPK “super bi-alkali” technology.

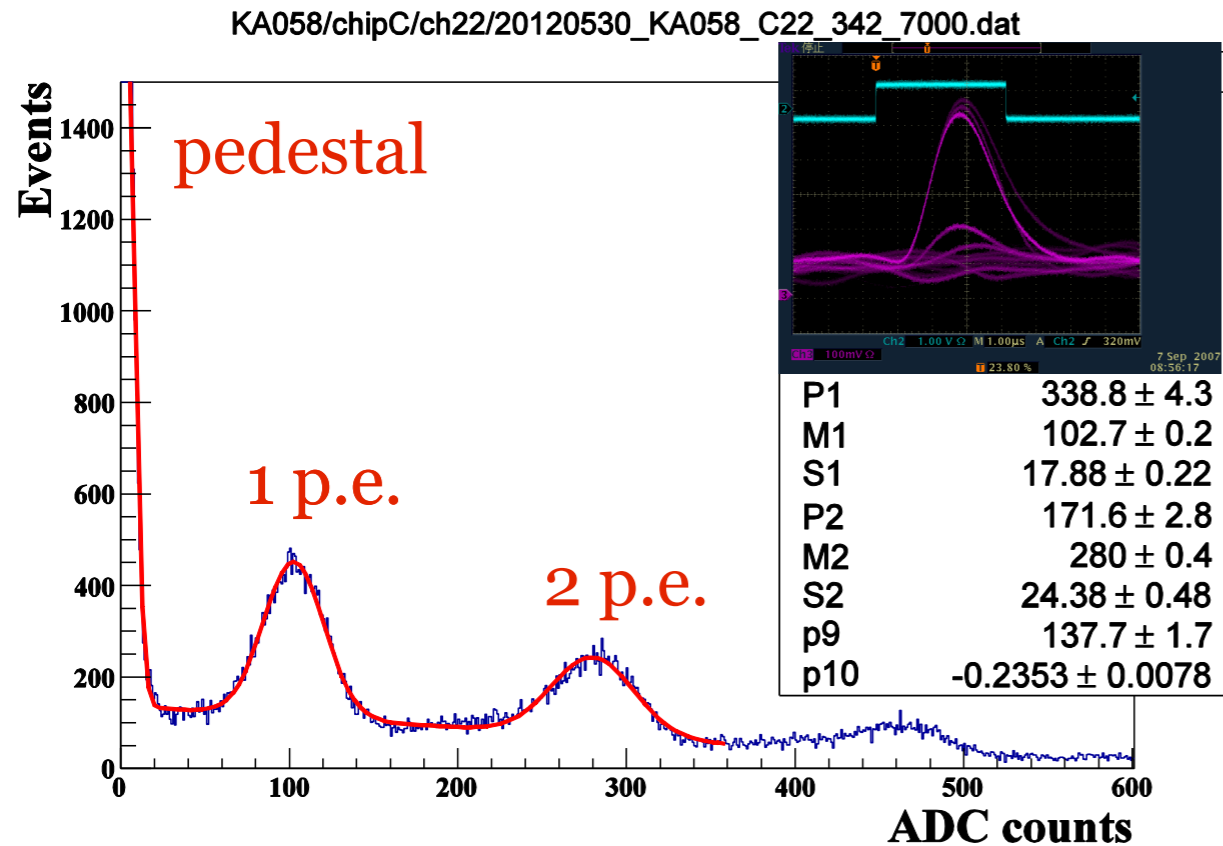


- Since then we have been trying for further improvements... Recent new HAPD samples show ~35 % at the best. Expect more stable and high values when mass-production starts.



Single Photon Response

pulse height distribution



$$\sigma_{\text{pedestal}} = 2.9 \times 10^3 \text{ electrons}$$

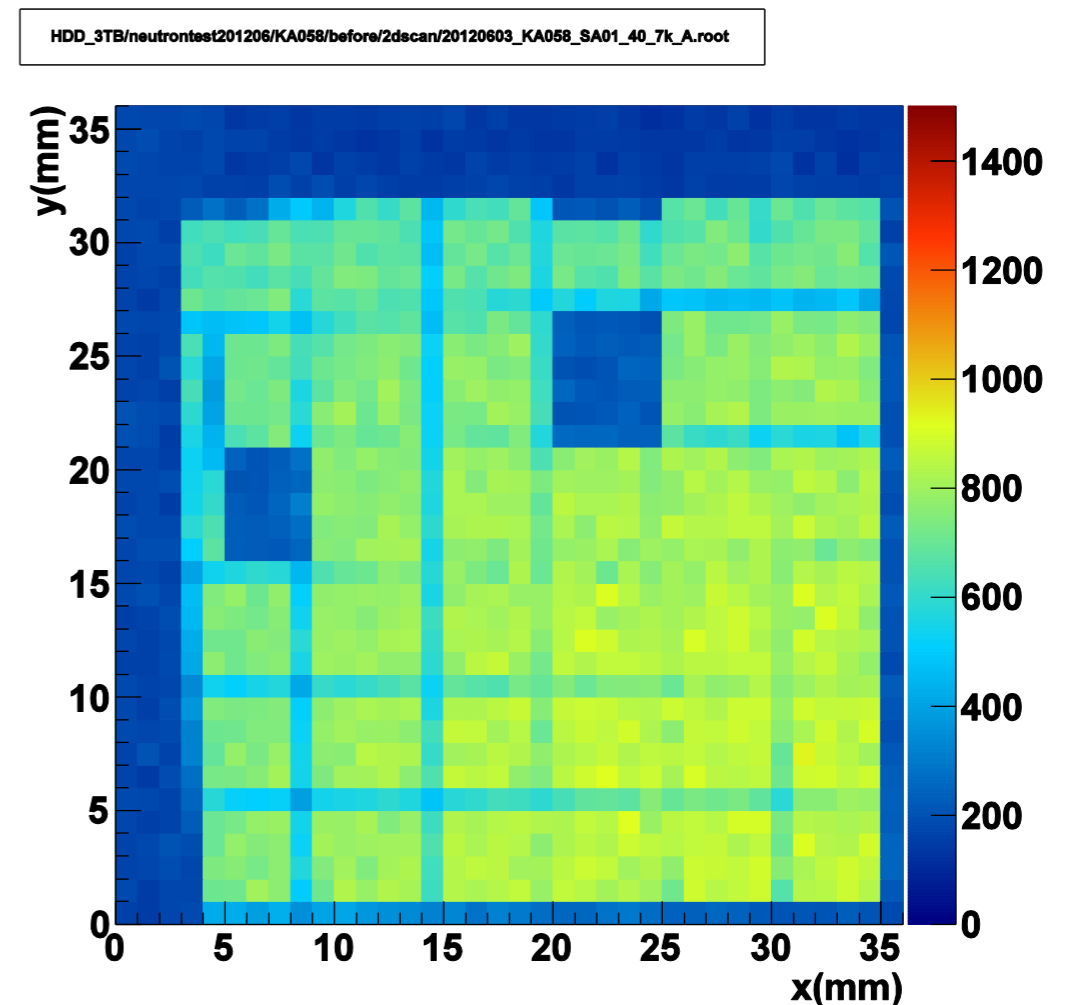
$$\text{Gain} = 8.2 \times 10^4$$

from 1 and 2 p.e. peaks

$$S/N = G/\sigma_{\text{pedestal}} \sim 28$$

blue LED illuminated
HV: -7kV bias: 342V

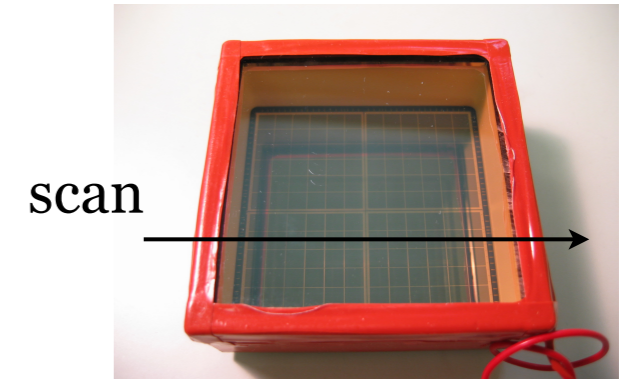
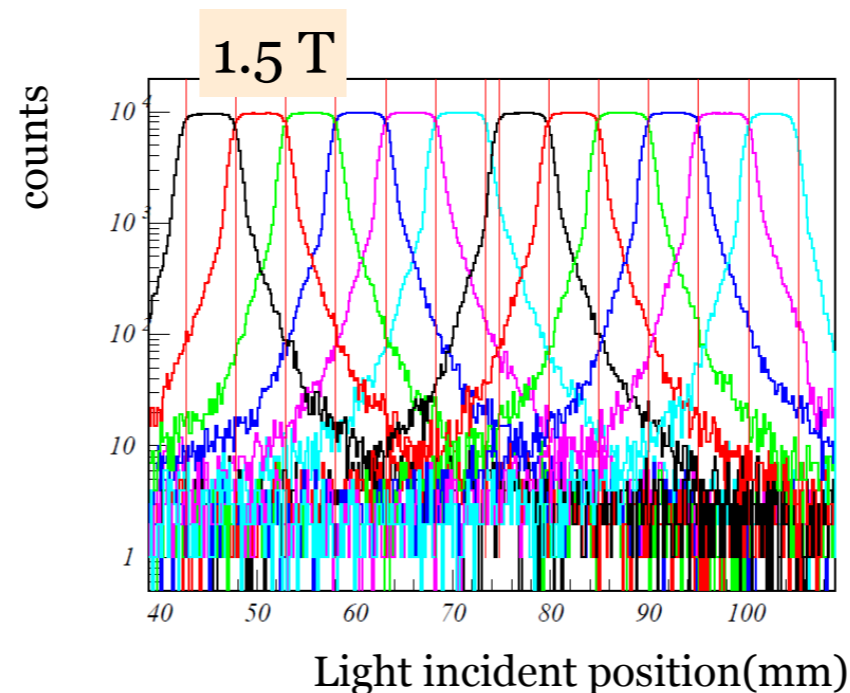
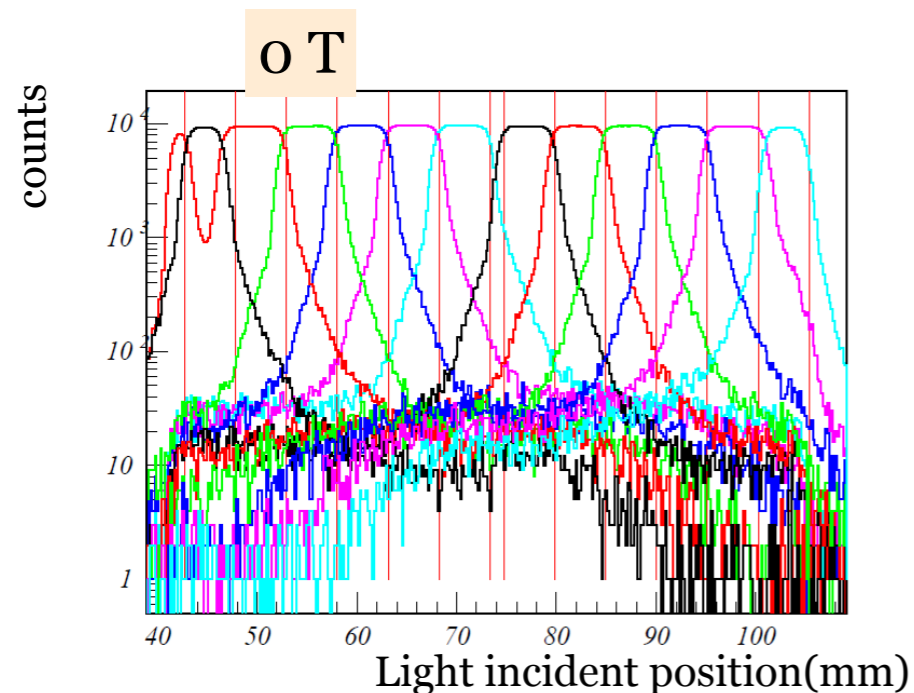
1 APD uniformity scan



Clear single photon signal observed !

Test under a Magnetic Field

- Response scan for entire HAPD channels were done under an axial magnetic field of 1.5 Tesla.



The excellent response for single photon and background becomes better

Performance is improved in the presence of a magnetic field !

Radiation Damage

- Severe beam-related background is predicted in the Belle II experimental environment.

for 10-year Belle II operation

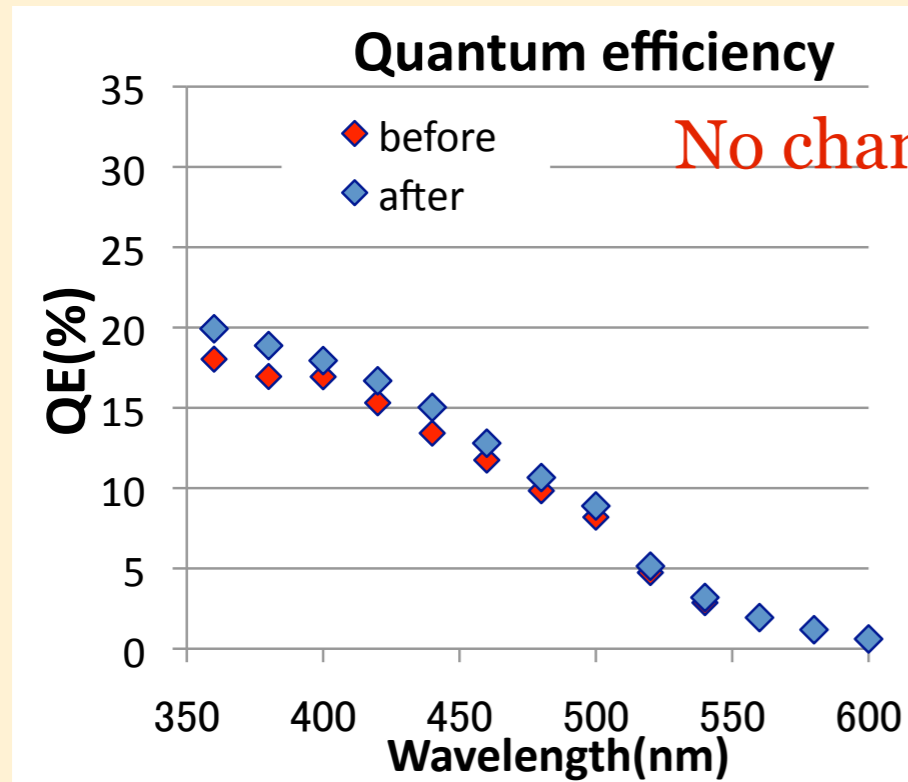
- Neutrons: 10^{12} neutrons/cm²
- Gamma-rays: 1000 Gy

- Depending on an accelerator design, and keep improving these days...
- HAPD should be radiation-tolerant for those background sources.
- A series of studies on HAPD irradiation tests has been done in recent years.
 - Nuclear facility for neutrons
 - ⁶⁰Co facility for gamma-rays

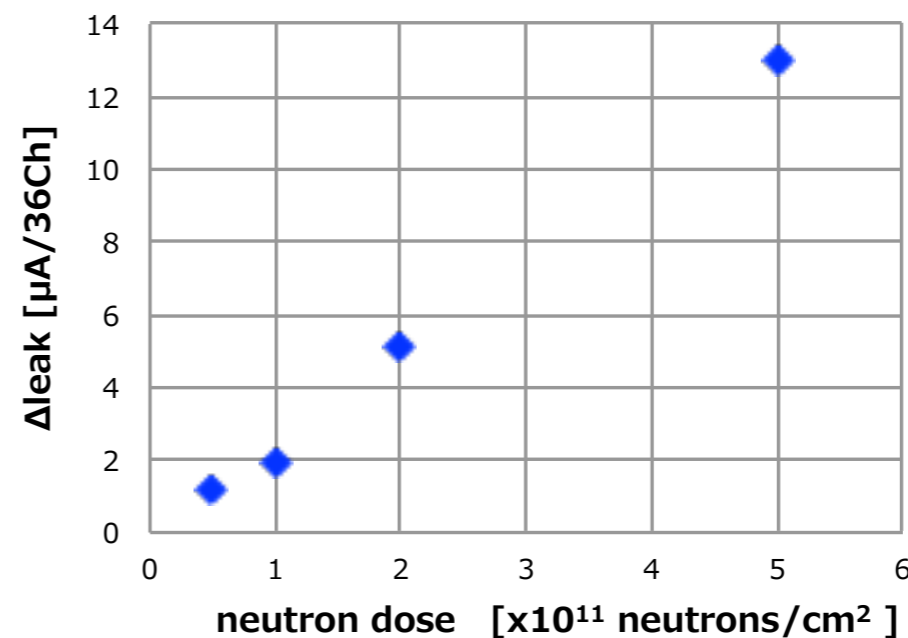
Neutron Radiation

HAPD irradiated at a nuclear reactor “Yayoi” at Univ. of Tokyo.
average energy $\sim 370\text{keV}$

After $5 \times 10^{11} / \text{cm}^2$ irradiation



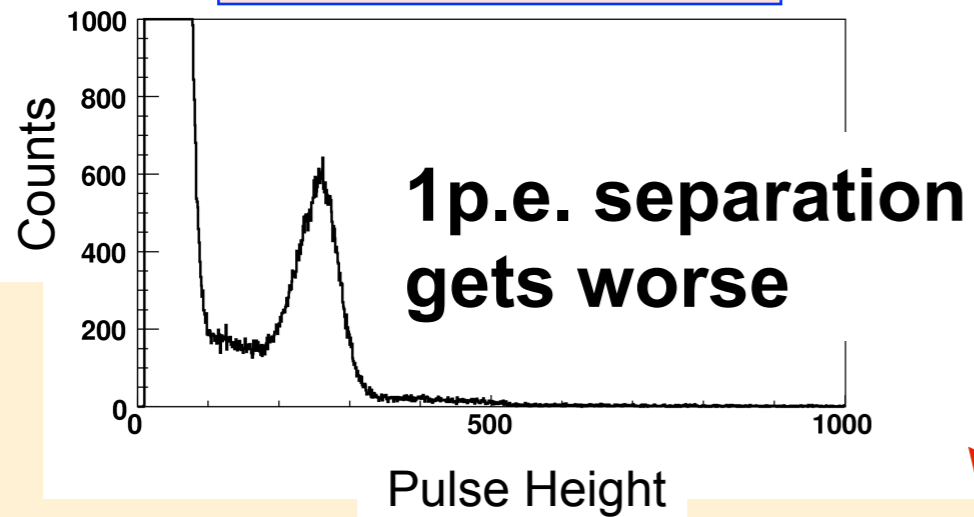
Increase in APD leakage current



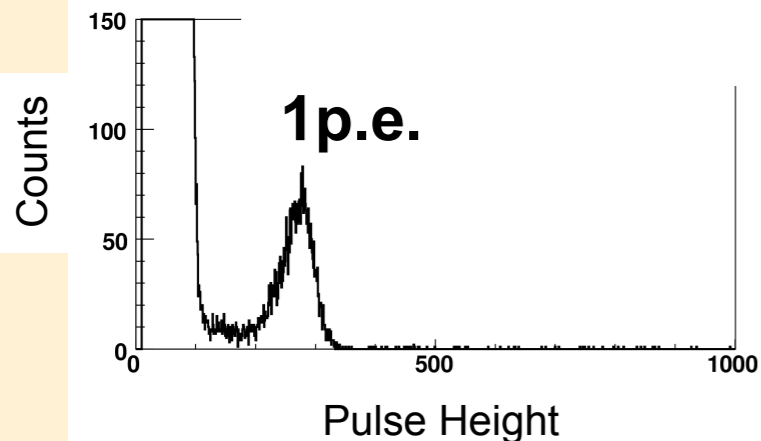
Neutron Radiation

S/N deterioration

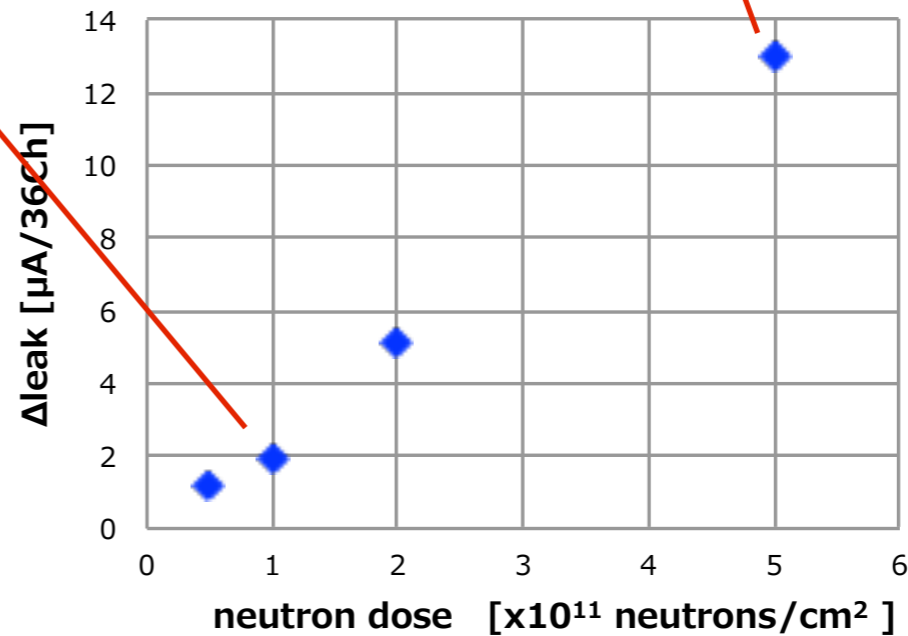
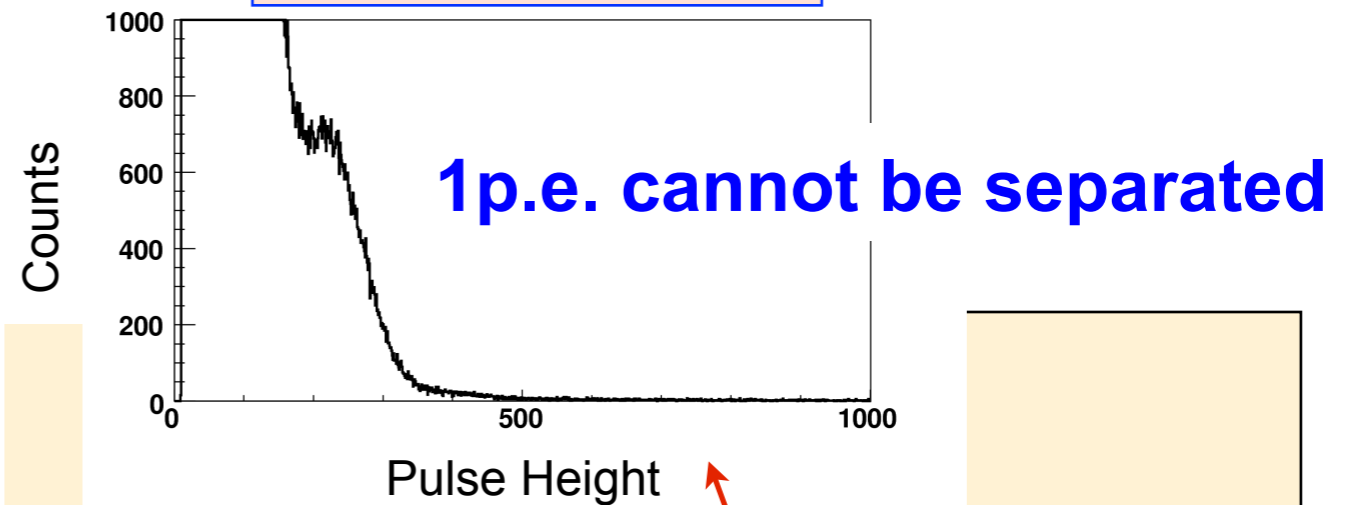
1×10^{11} irradiation



Before irradiation



5×10^{11} irradiation



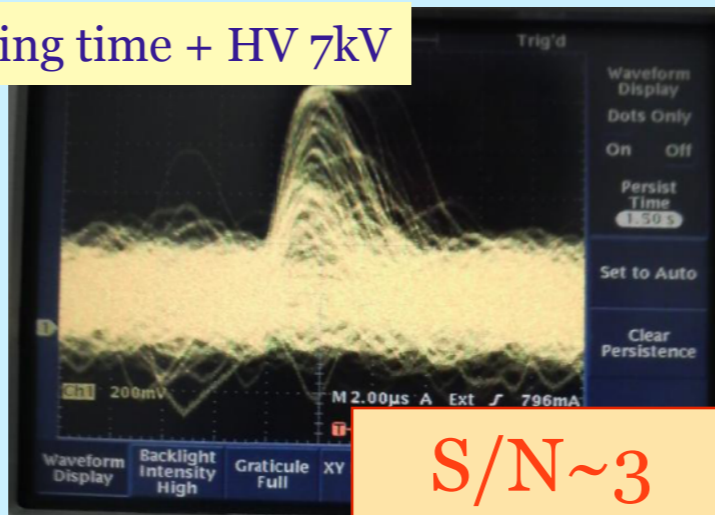
Need improve S/N

Neutron Radiation Prescriptions

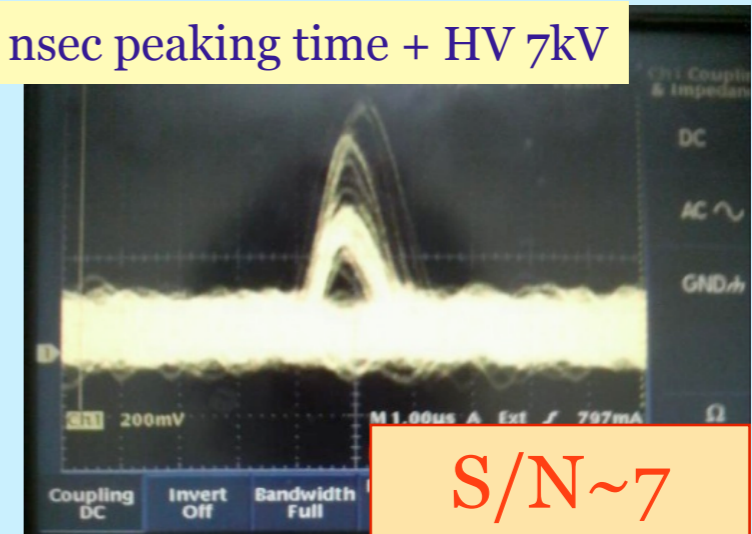
(1) Shorter shaping time : Readout electronics with flexible functionality

1 μ sec peaking time + HV 7kV

signal from 5×10^{11} sample

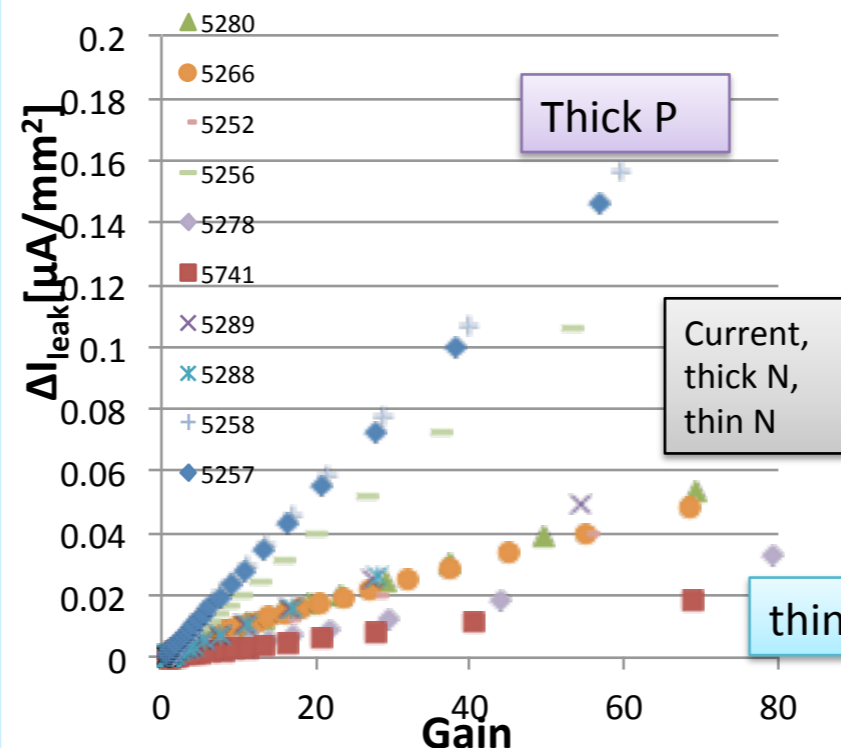
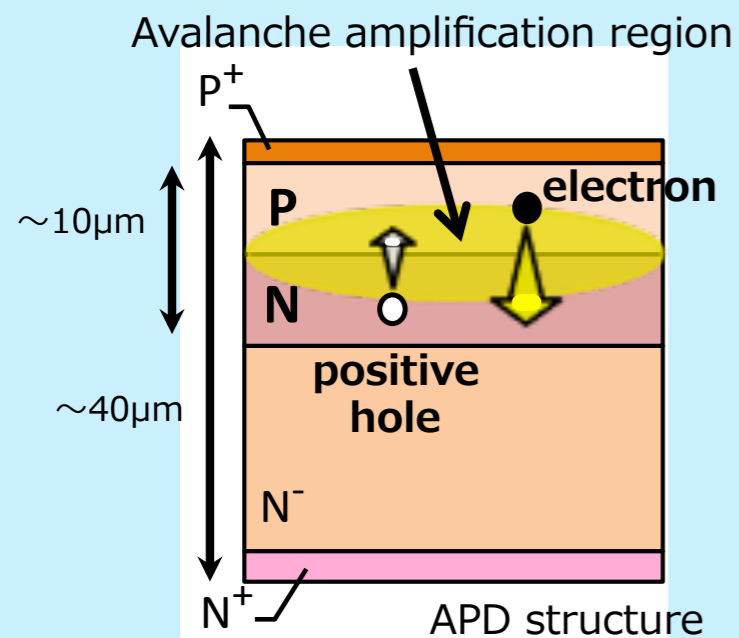


250 nsec peaking time + HV 7kV



(2) Thinner APD

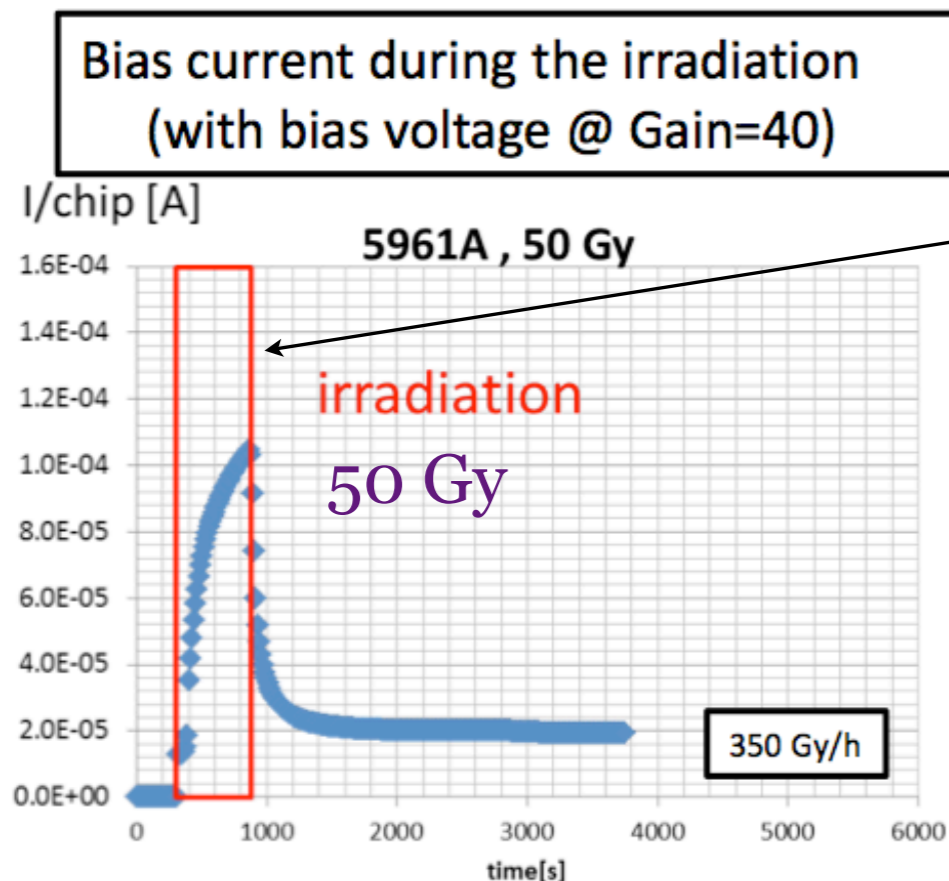
$\Delta I(\text{leak})$ for various APDs irradiated up to 10^{12}



Both methods are expected to suppress degradation up to 10^{12}

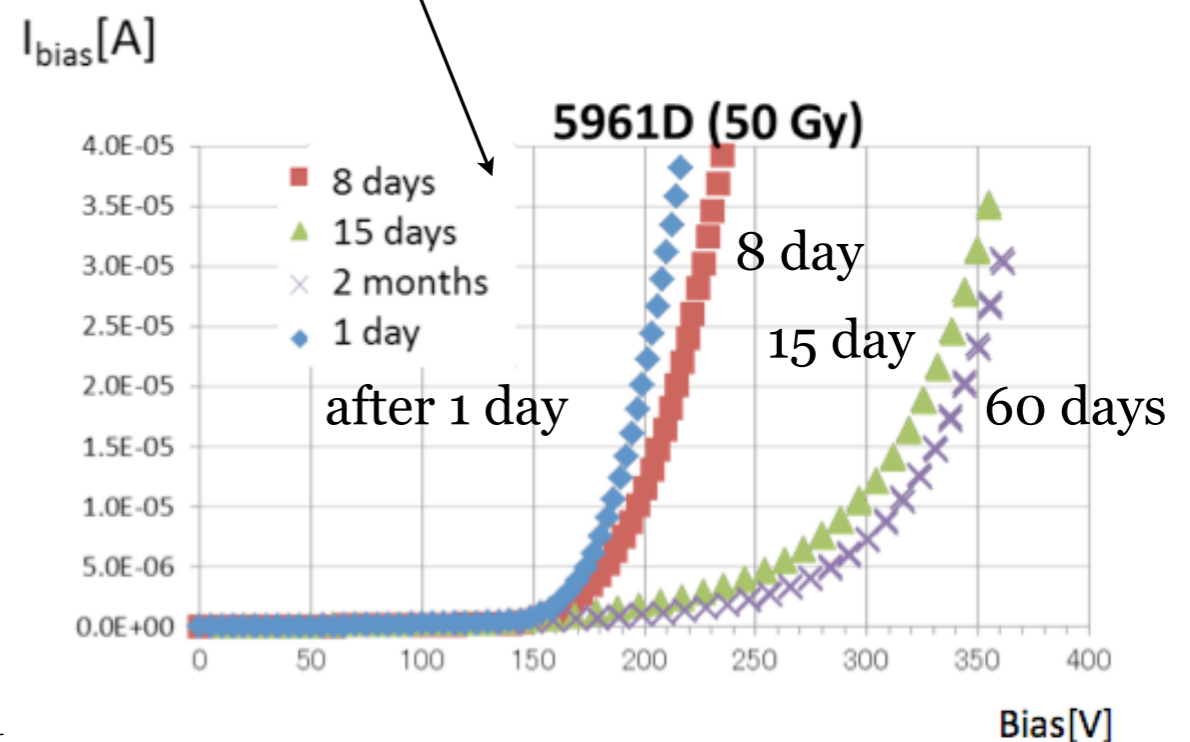
Gamma-ray Radiation

First irradiation in 2010 using ^{60}Co facility



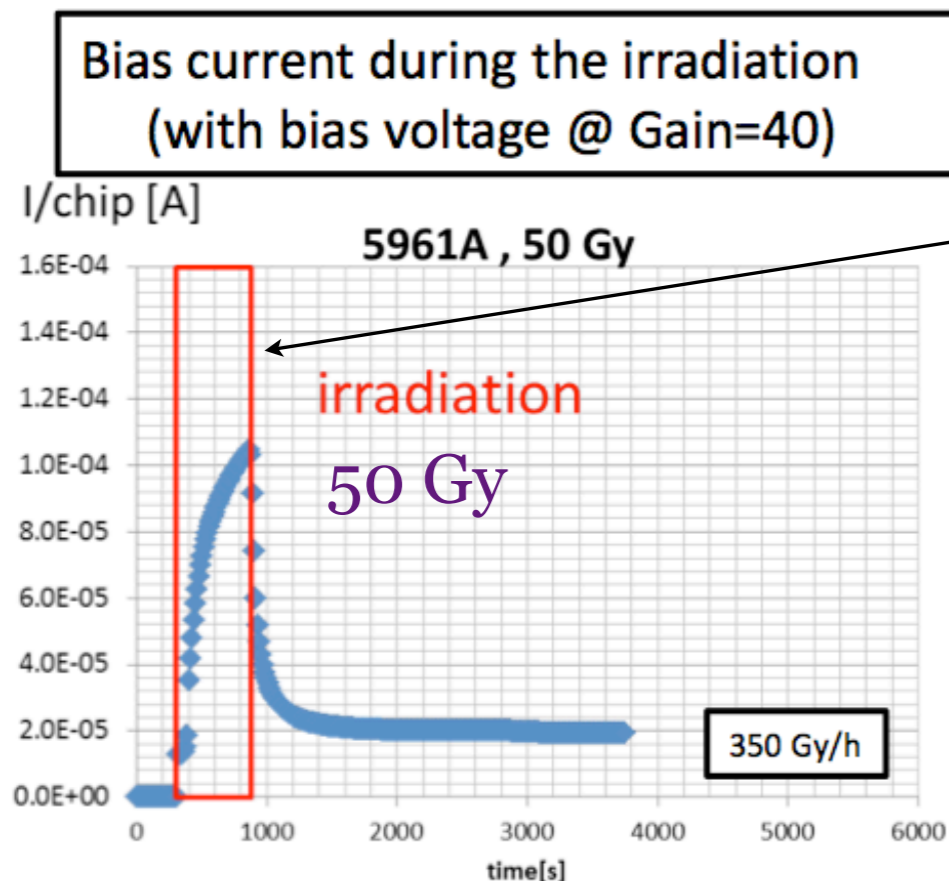
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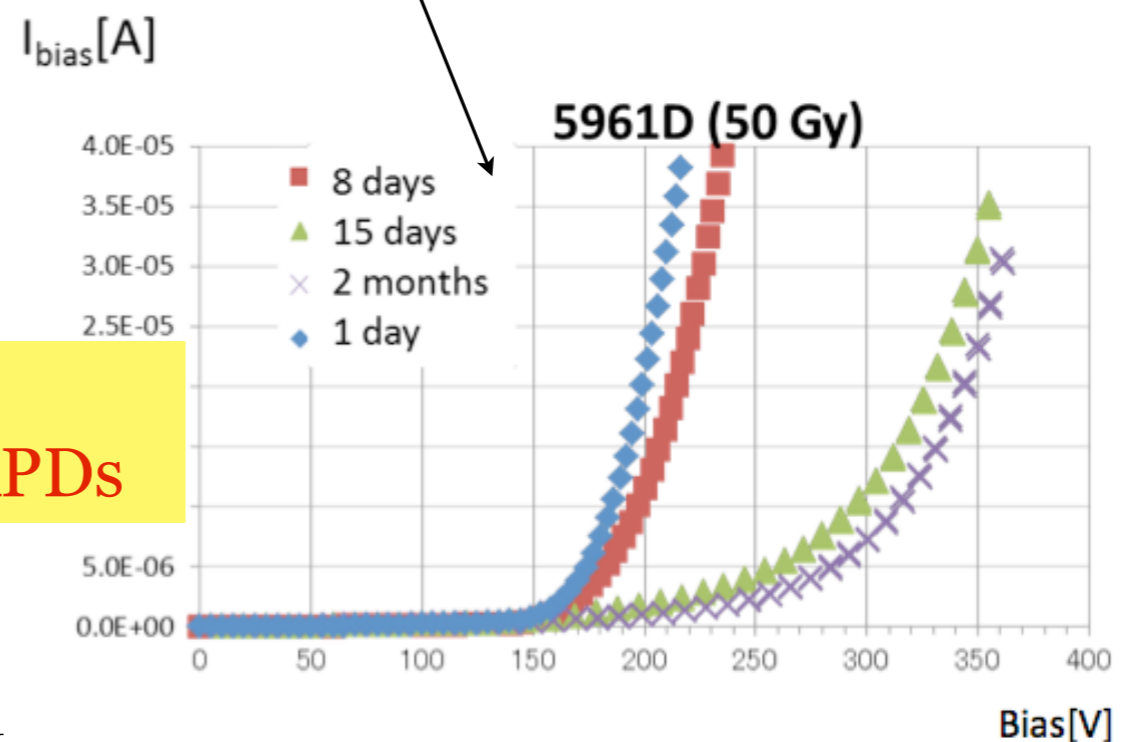
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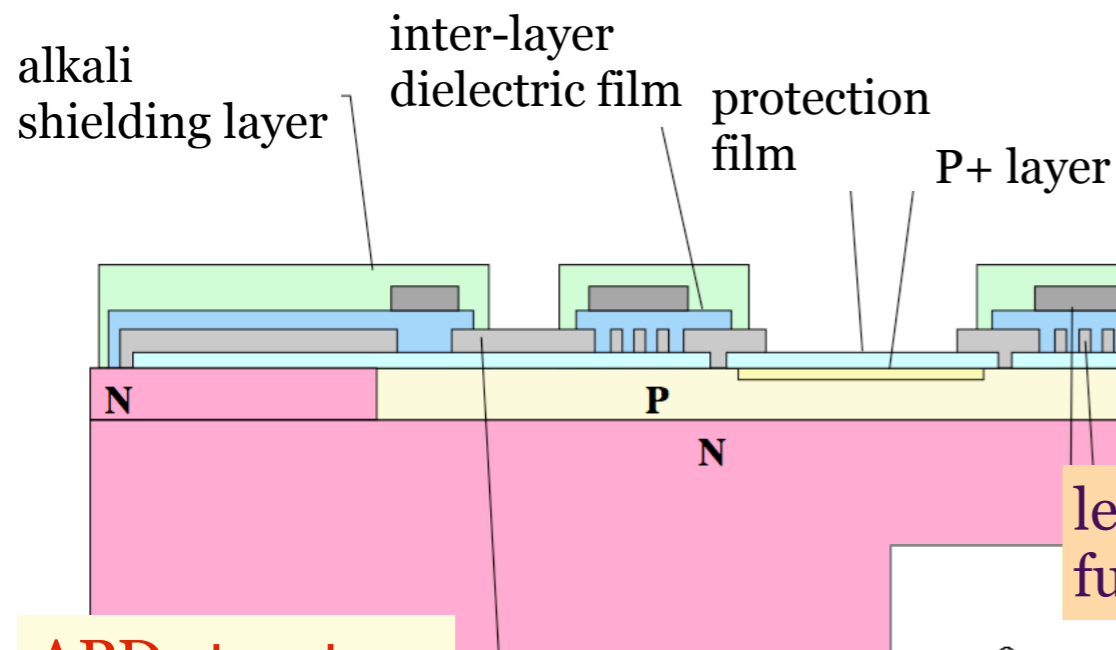
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Those problems initiated a series of irradiation tests using various types of APDs



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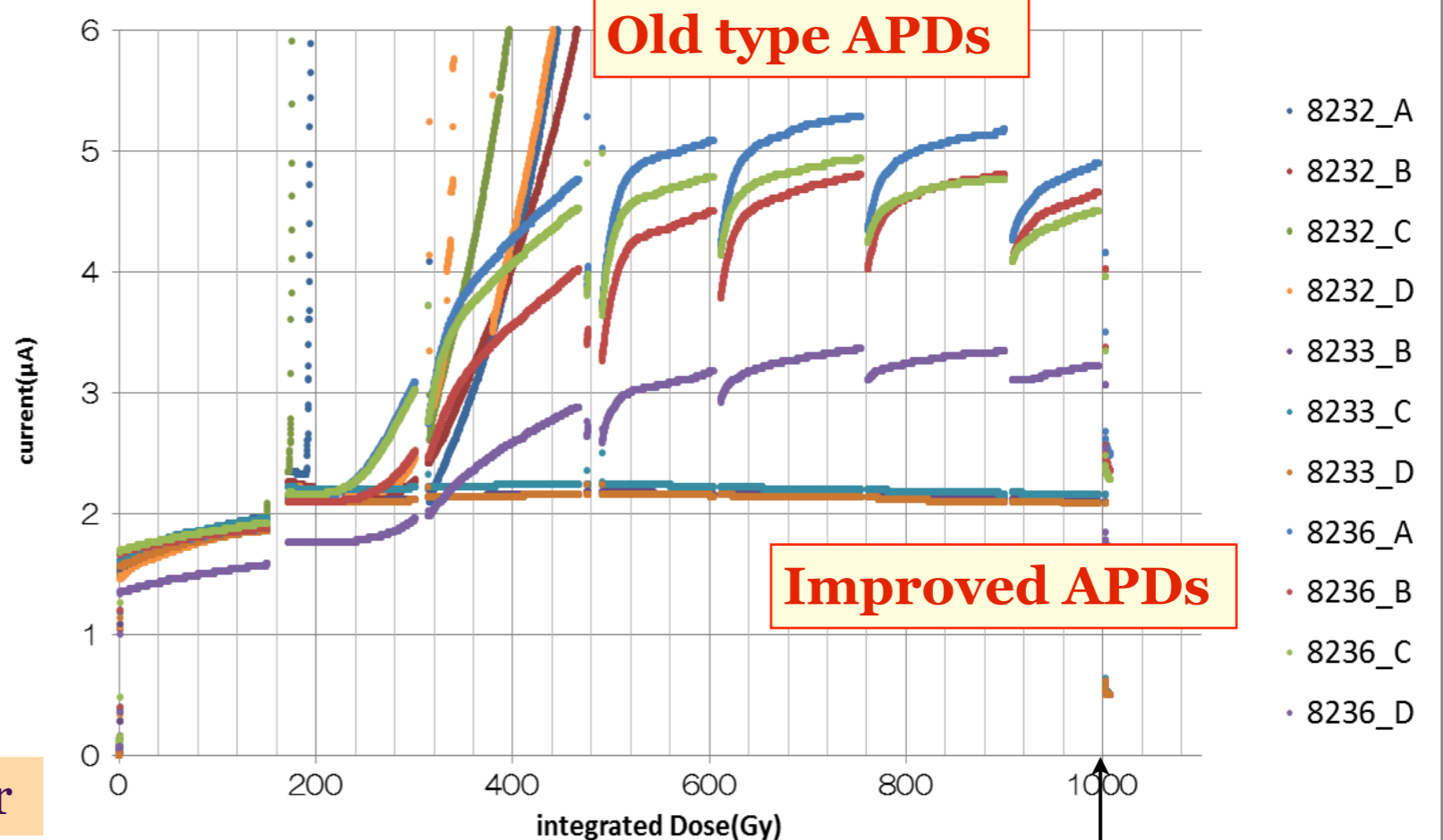


APD structure

Increase of leakage current suppressed by improving a protection film covering sensitive area

Material for alkali shielding changed to avoid a drop of "breakdown" voltages

leakage current measurements as a function of integrated dose



tested on 2011 December

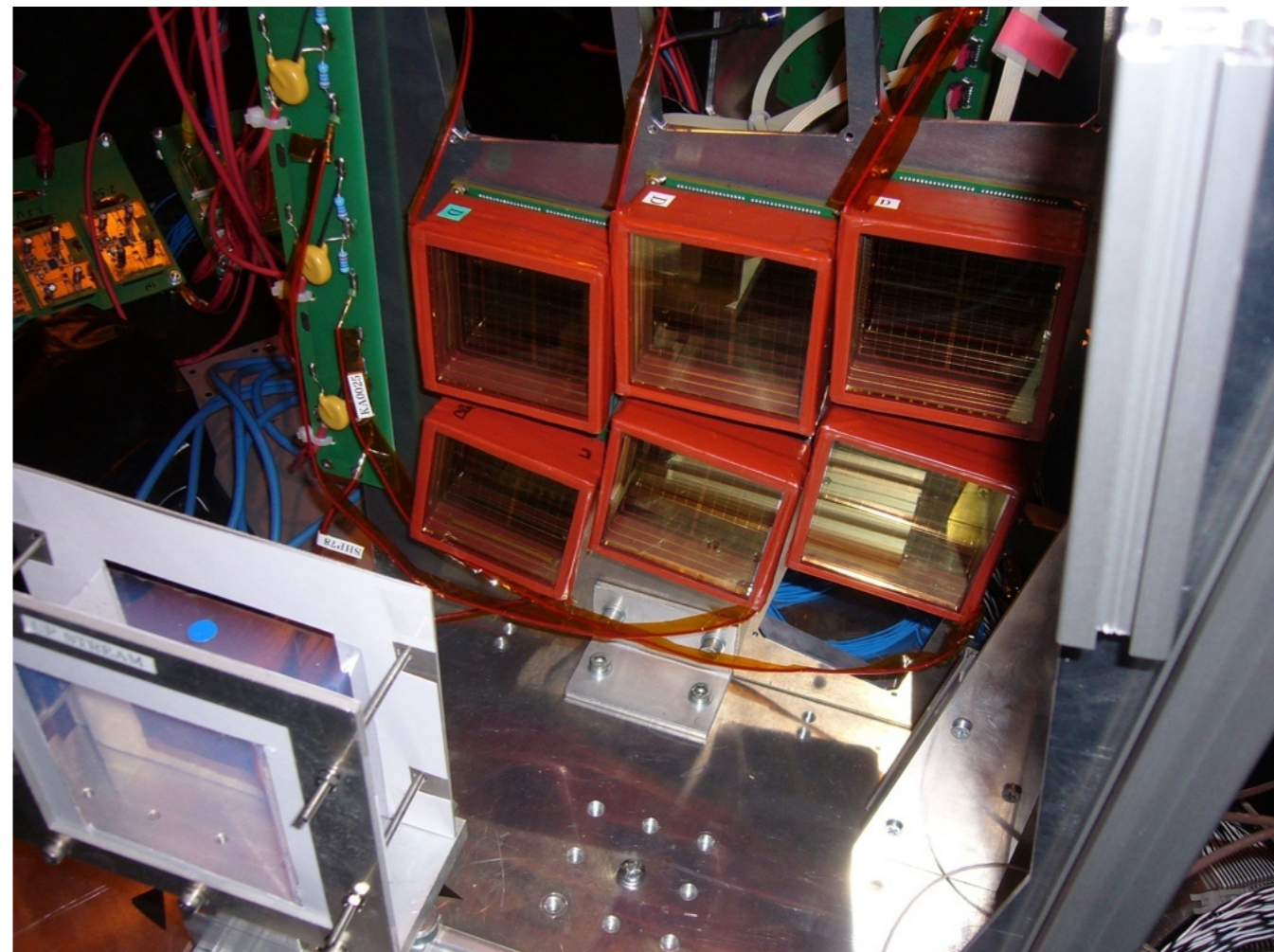
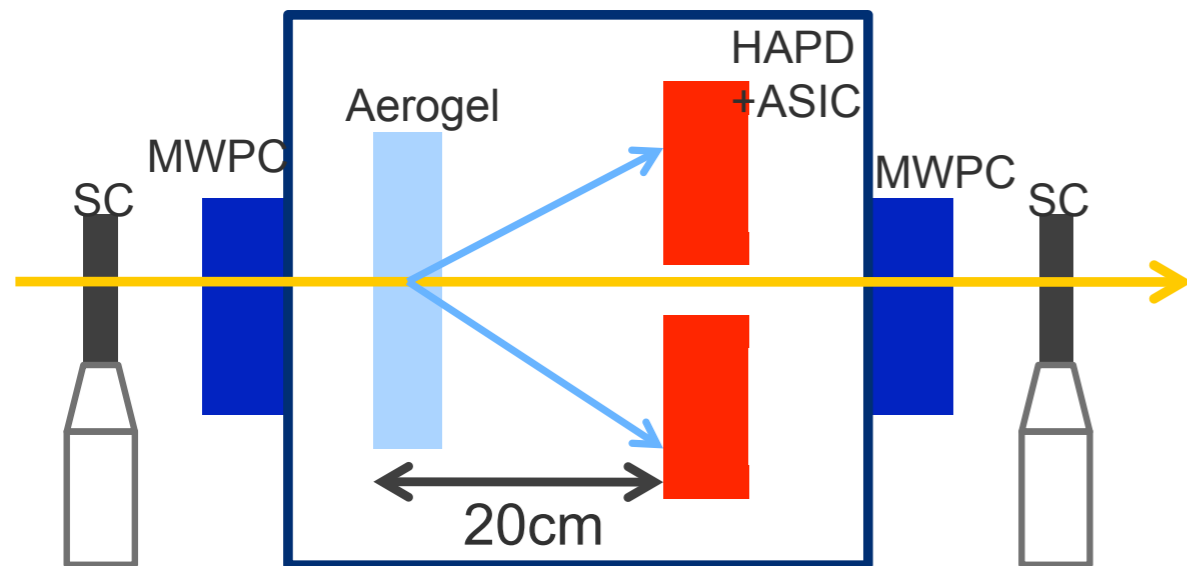
1000Gy

Rad-tolerant HAPD

- Based on those tests, radiation-improved HAPD candidates have been listed up.
- These samples are now being delivered.
- Further examinations for these candidates will be made in the coming months.
 - Including neutron & gamma-ray irradiation tests

Test Beam Experiment

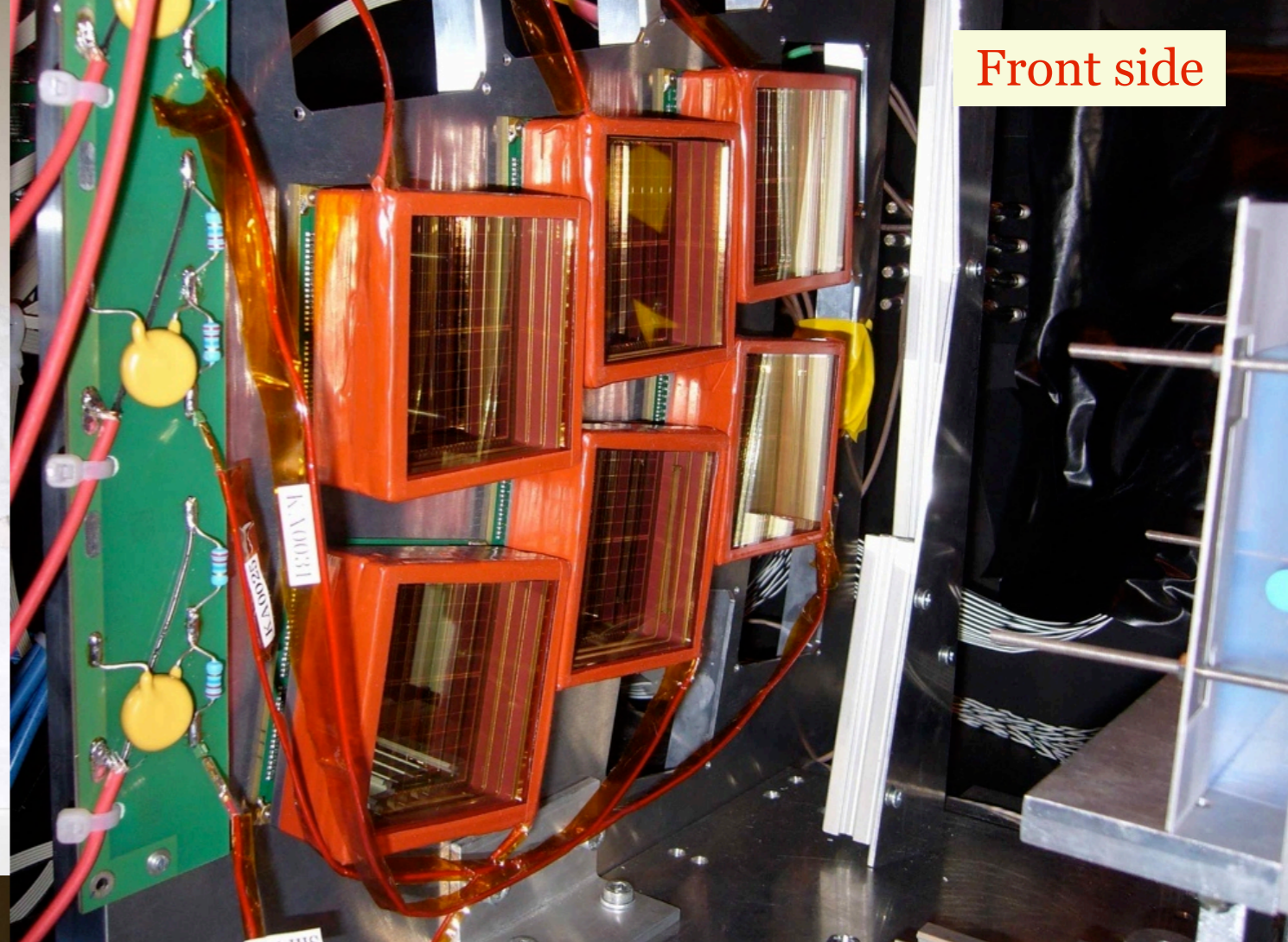
- We carried out a test beam experiment at T4-H6 CERN SPS 2011 autumn.
 - 6 HAPDs arranged in the almost final positions
 - new batch of HAPDs
 - new aerogel radiator
 - front-end electronics ~ close to final version
 - mirror tested



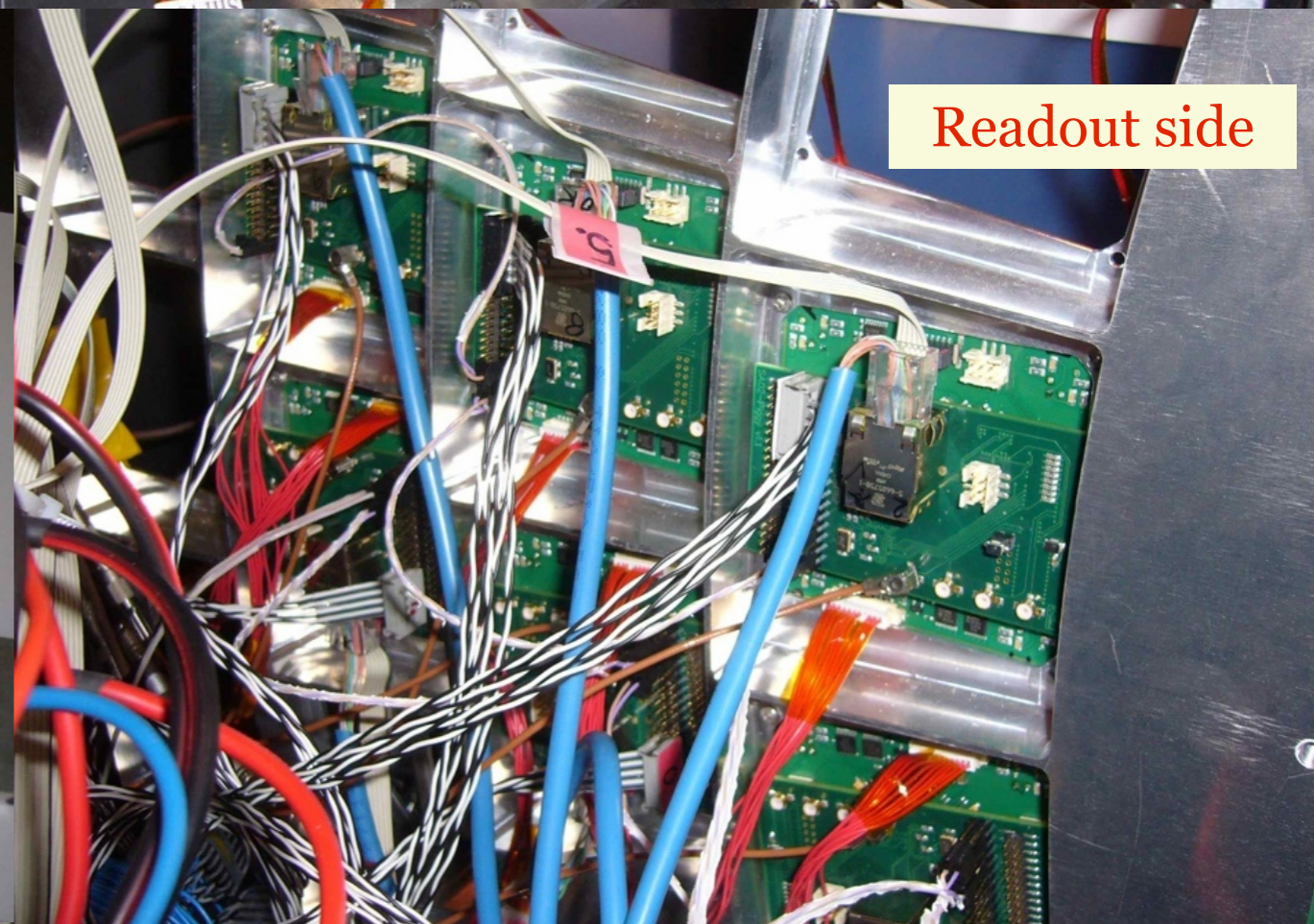
HAPD and readout front-end board



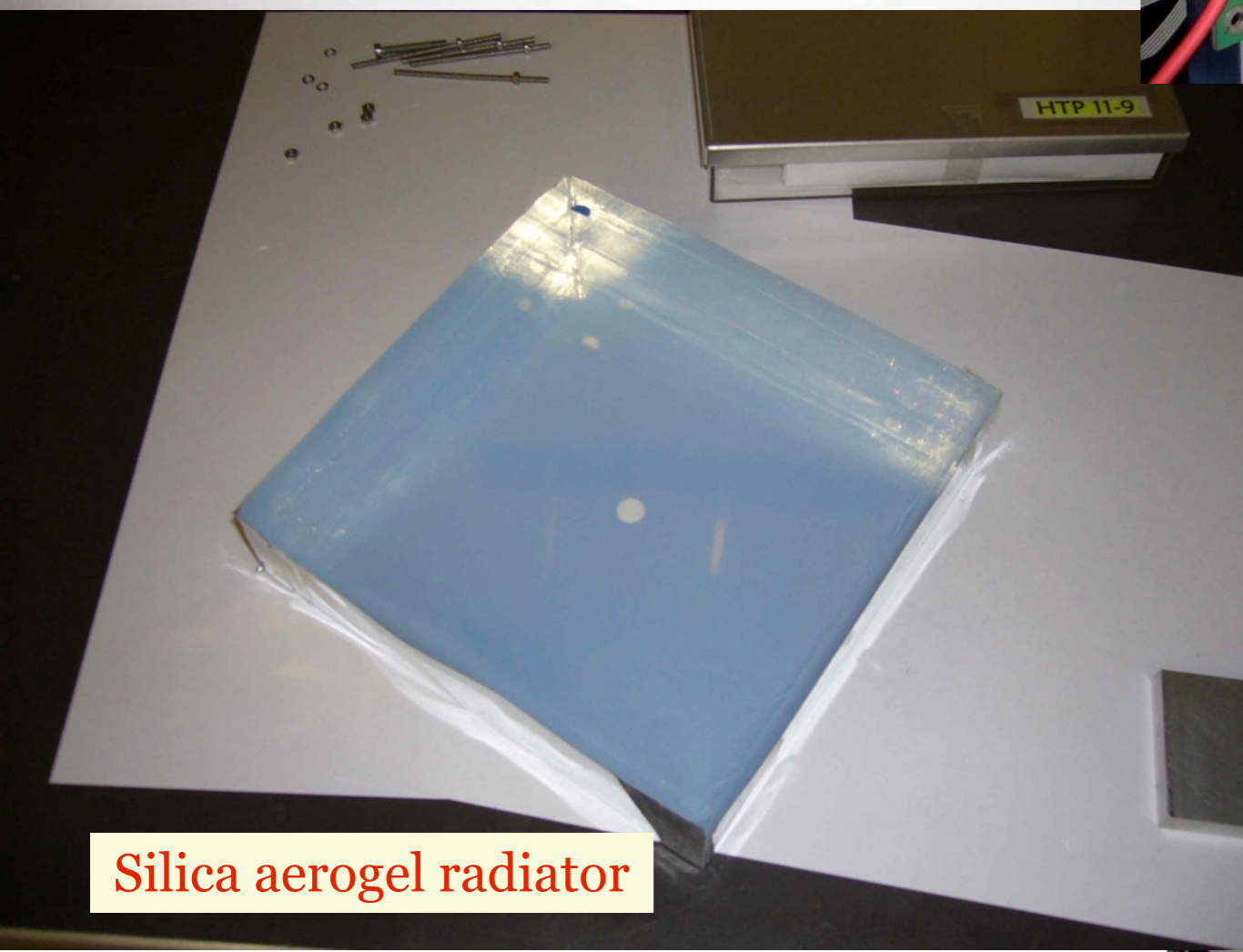
Front side



Readout side



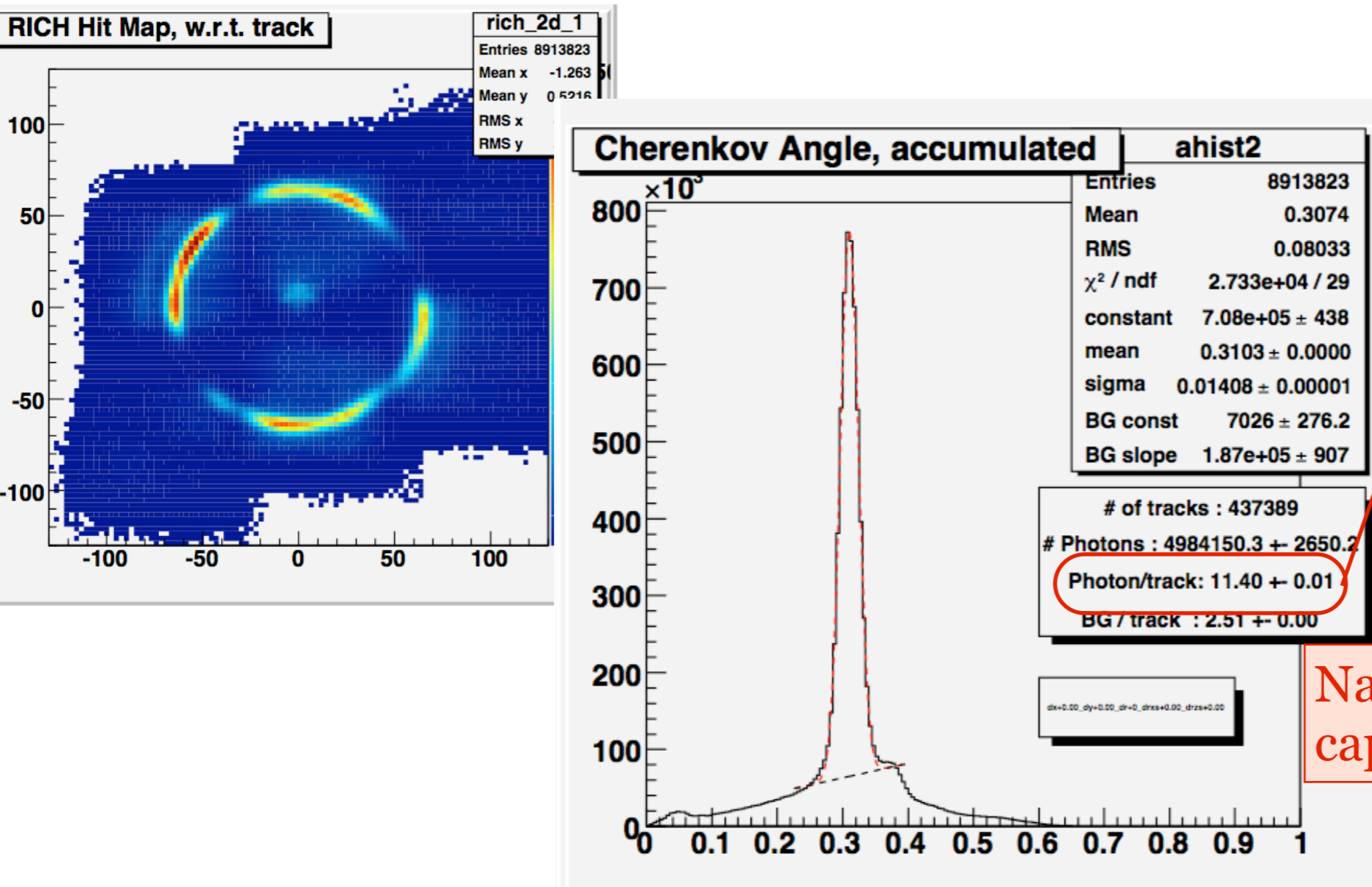
Silica aerogel radiator



Analysis Results (1)

The results shown here are preliminary

Clear Cherenkov image detected



N_{pe} observed = 11.4

$\sigma = 14.1$ mrad

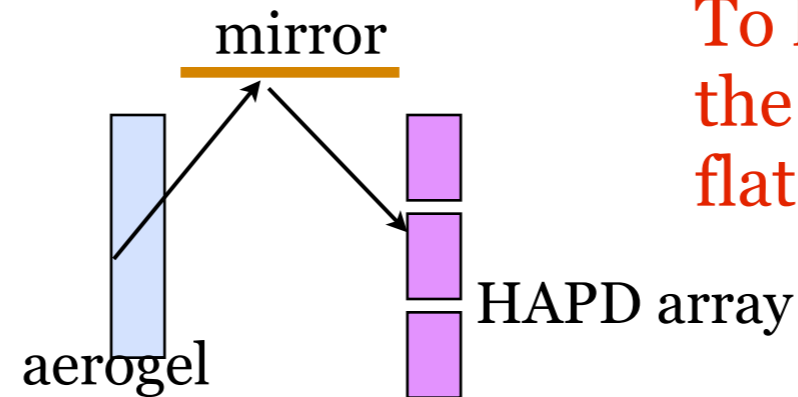
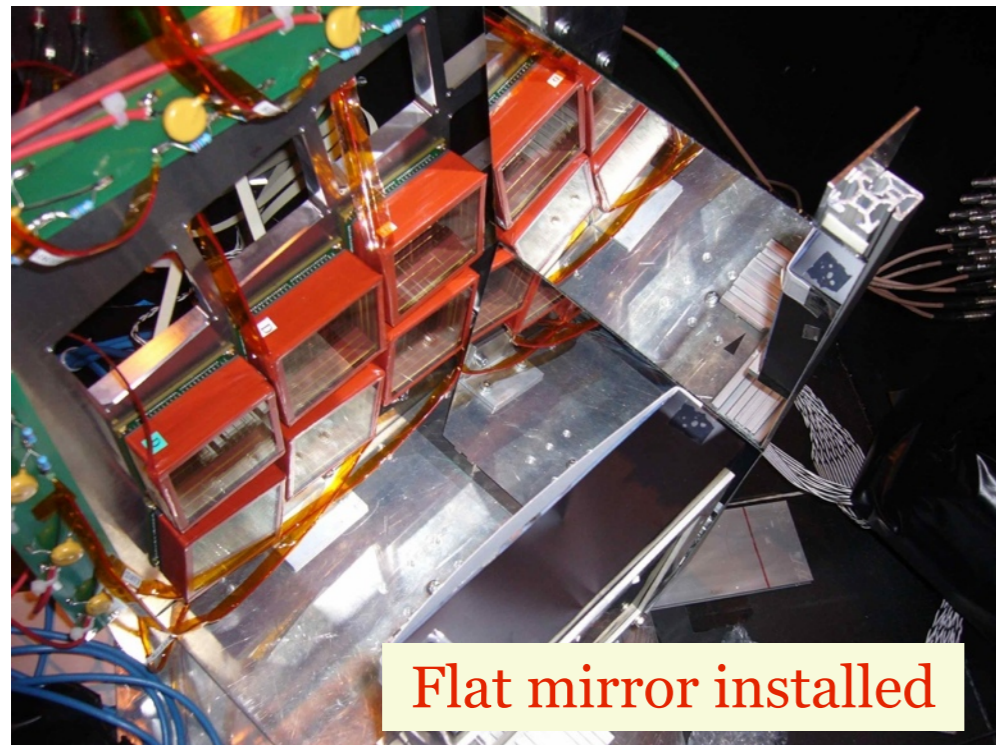
$|\theta_{\pi} - \theta_K| \sim 23$ mrad at
4 GeV/c

Naively 5.5 σ K & π separation
capability at 4 GeV/c

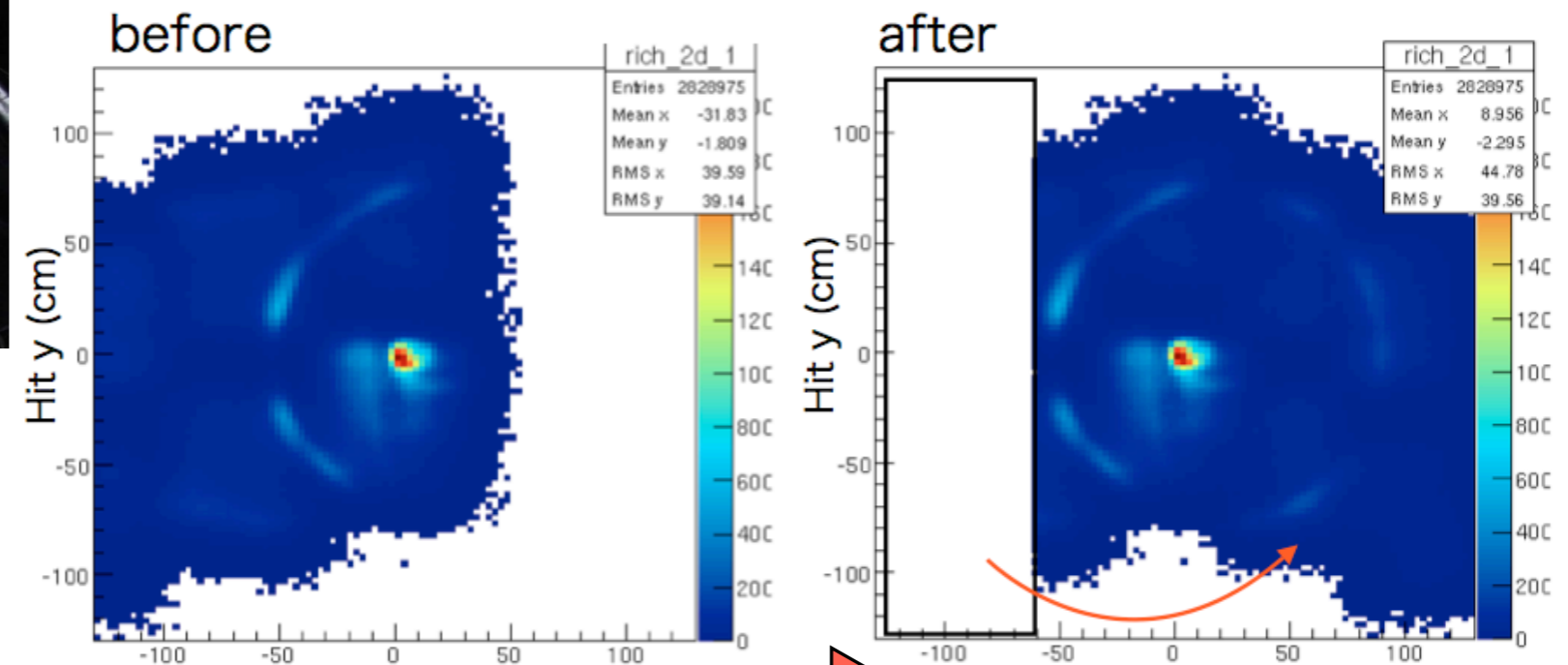
The result obtained was consistent with that from the previous beam tests

Analysis Results (2)

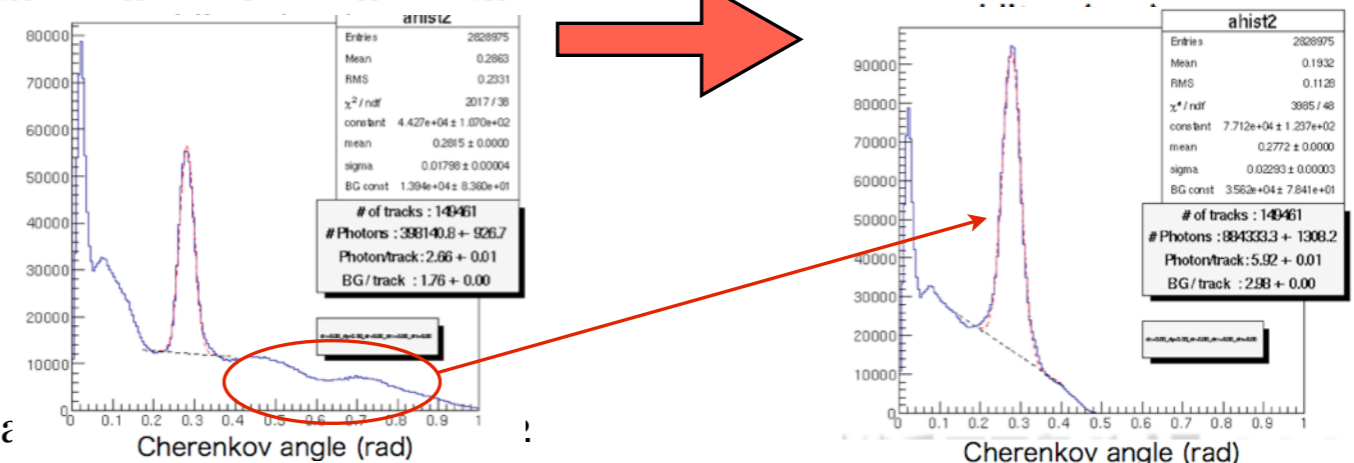
Mirror image reconstruction examined



To keep efficiency around the edge of the detector, flat mirror is considered



Reflected image can be reconstructed.
Further analysis will be done



Conclusions

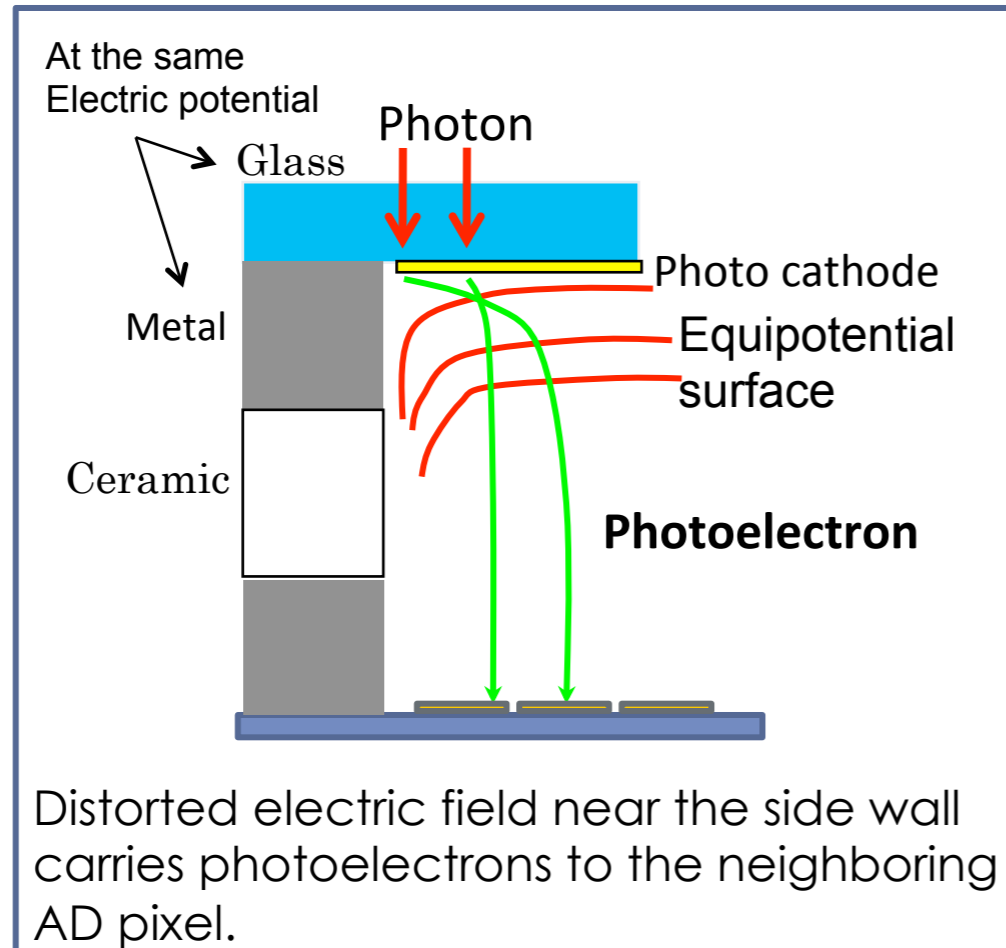
- We have been developing **144-ch HAPD** for the Belle II RICH counter.
- Results from HAPD bench test showed **excellent performance in single photon sensitivity**.
 - High QE ~35% expected
- Studies of radiation damage (neutrons: $10^{12}/\text{cm}^2$ & gamma-rays: 1000Gy) have been made and **radiation-improved candidates** are being delivered.
- Test beam experiment was carried out and clear Cherenkov image was observed. **Expected PID capability was confirmed.**
- Detailed specifications will be settled down by this autumn for mass-production.

Merci bien !

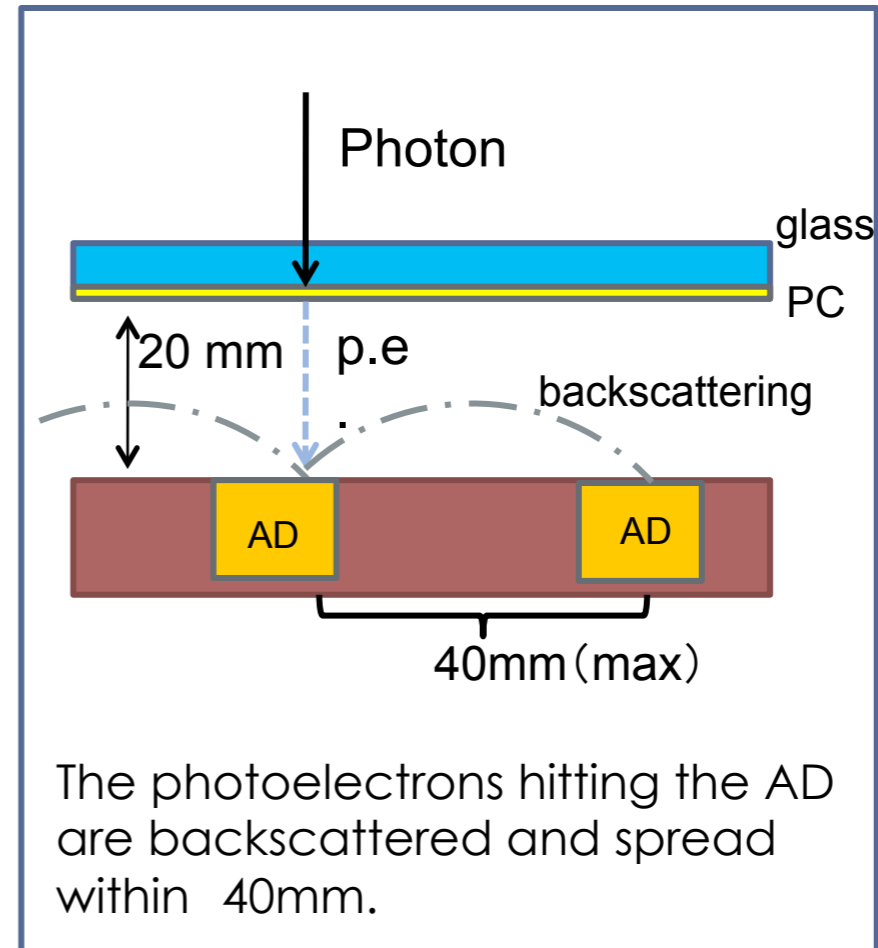
backup

Effect due to a Magnetic Field

Image distortion by a side wall



back-scattering

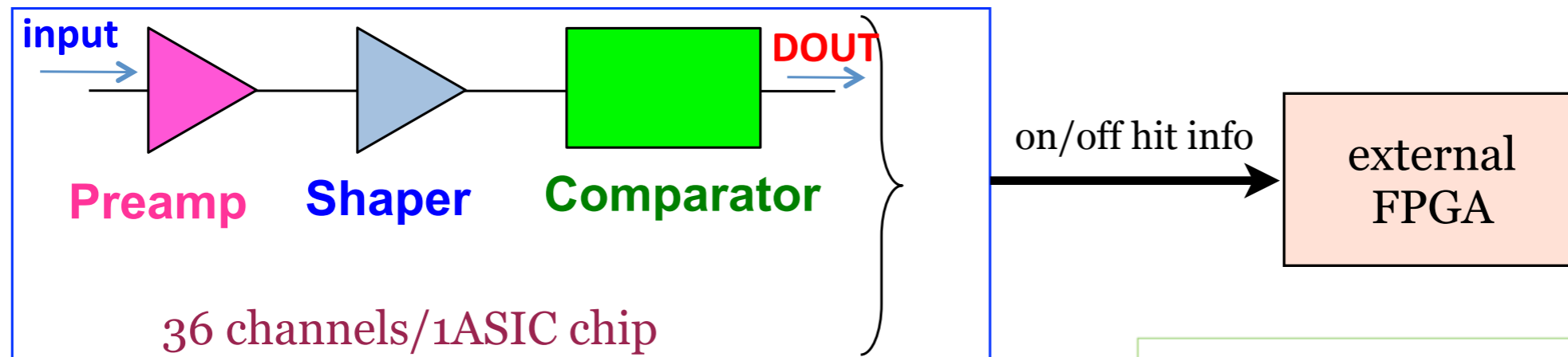


HAPD performance is expected to be improved in a magnetic field.

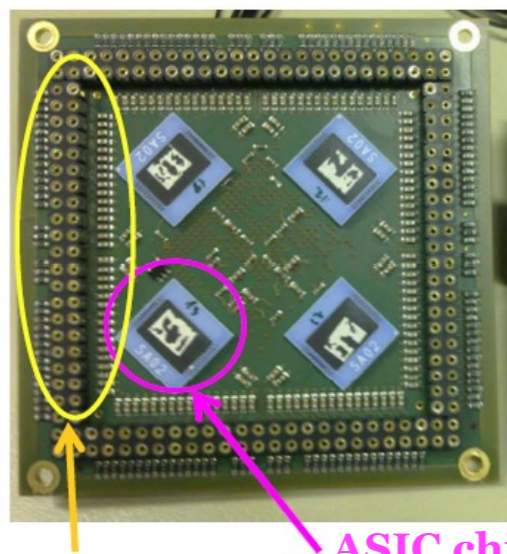
Readout Electronics

- Custom-made front-end electronics dedicated for this detector has been developed several years in parallel to HAPD R&D
 - High density (~65K channels in limited space)

ASIC signal processing



Readout implementation



ASIC chip



FPGA

Specification (SA02)

- Process: TSMC CMOS 0.35 μm
- Production at MOSIS
- #(channel) = 36 [ch/chip]
- Std. Input Signal: 60000 [e]
- Target Noise Level: 1200 [e] @ 80pF (HAPD)
- Chip size = 6.5mm \times 3mm
- Power consumption: 3.7 mW/ch
- Variable gain: 20-70 [mV/fC]
- Shaping time: 250-1000 [ns]
- Offset adjustment: $\pm 300\text{mV}$ (8bit: 3mV step)