

Photosensor plans for the UK for Hyper-Kamiokande

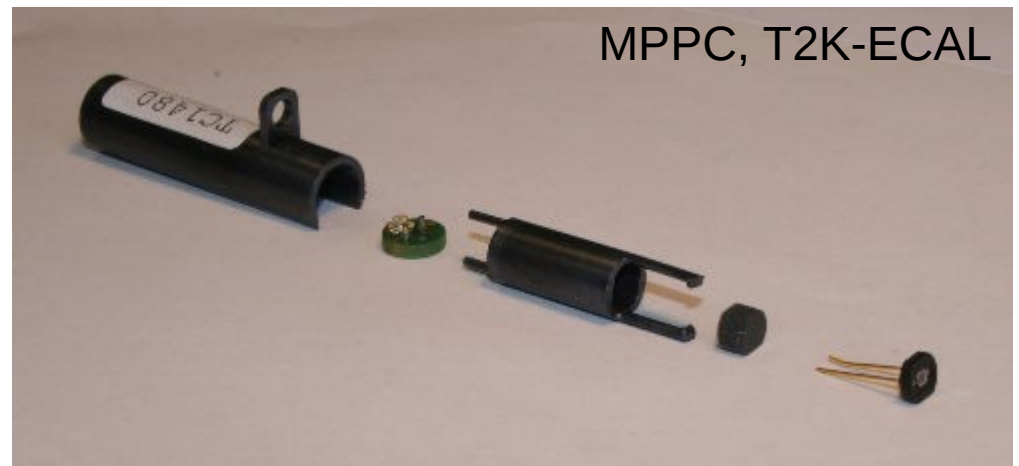
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Status

- This is just a summary of the plans for working on the photonsensors for Hyper-K in the UK
- The work will be provided mainly at the University of Edinburgh, and at QMUL
 - Benefitting from the expertise from LHCb, T2K
 - Benefitting from collaboration with the ANNIE experiment.





Edinburgh Experience



Group has track record in photodetector development from Babar/LHCb

For LHCb:

- Edinburgh group responsible for HPD testing during construction (600 HPDs tested during construction phase).
- Now responsible for maintaining and monitoring performance of HPDs

For LHCb upgrade:

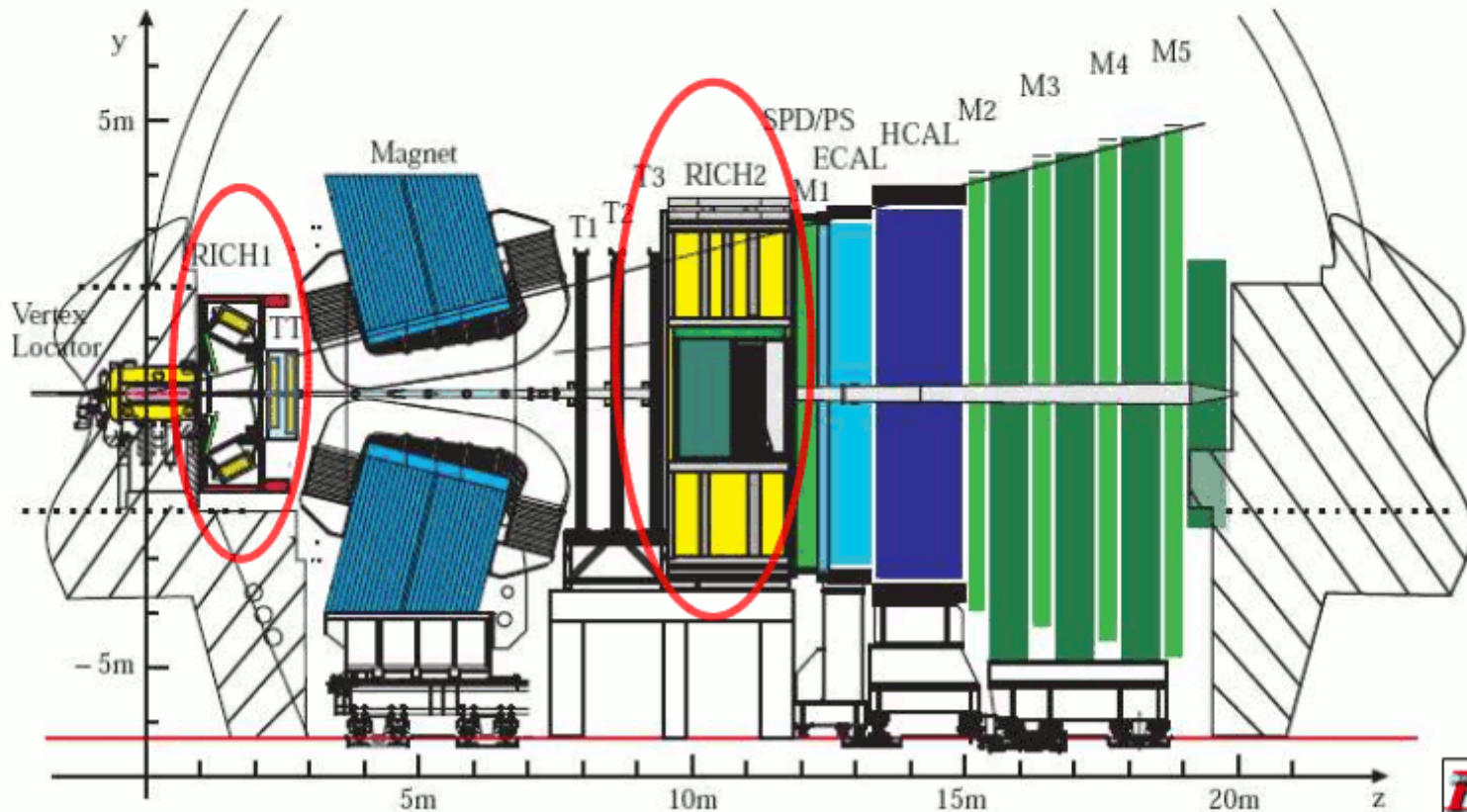
- Testing performance of multianode photomultipliers MaPMTs:
 - general performance and behaviour in magnetic fields

Edinburgh will become photodetector test centre for the LHCb upgrade (~ 3000 MaPMTs to be tested in total)

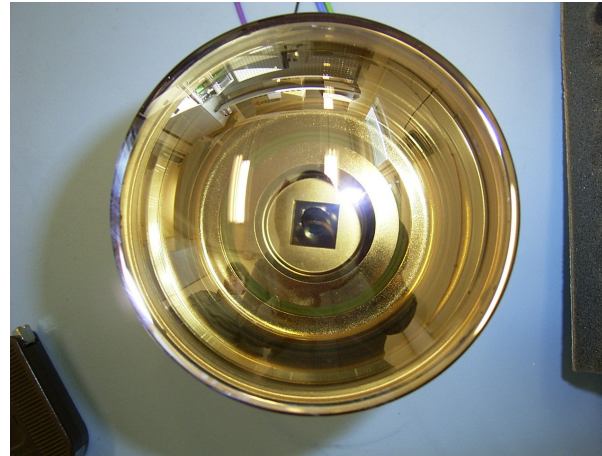
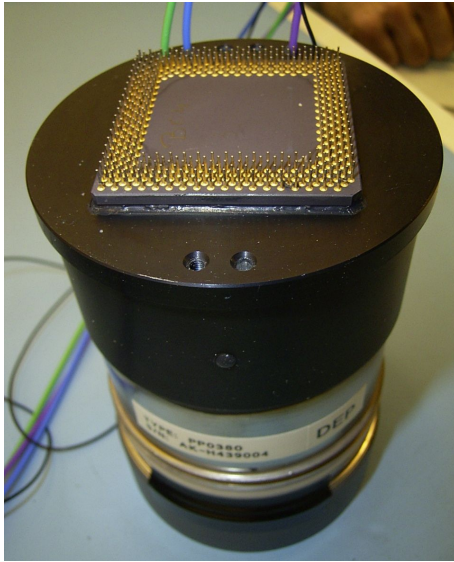
Test setup in recently equipped Advanced Detector Development Centre

The LHCb Experiment

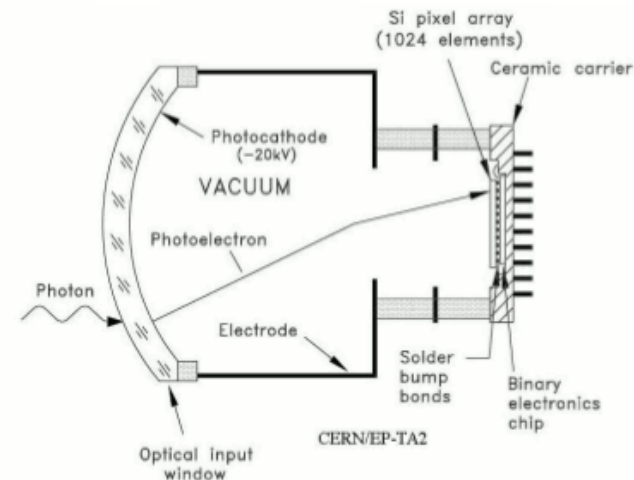
- ★ One of the four experiments at the LHC
- ★ p-p collisions at 14TeV centre-of-mass energy
- ★ Single-arm spectrometer
- ★ Aims to study Charge-Parity Violation (\mathcal{CP}) in B-mesons



• Photonis HPDs used in LHCb RICH detectors

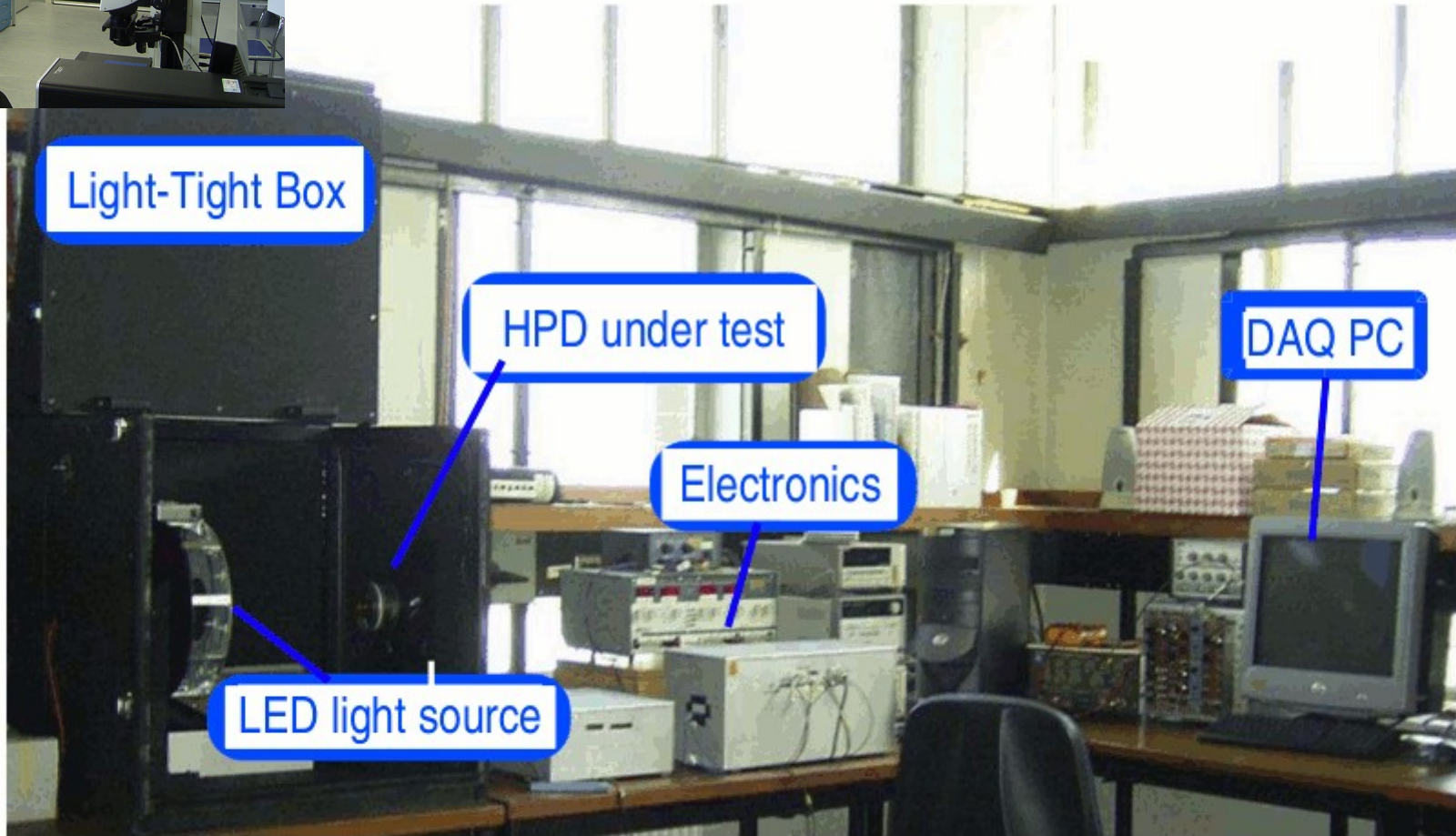


- Quartz window with multi-alkali photocathode
- Cherenkov light hitting photocathode releases photoelectrons.
- Accelerated by high voltages ($\sim 20\text{kV}$) and focussed.
- Photoelectrons hit reverse biased silicon diode
- $\sim 5000 e^-$ - hole pairs formed
- Anode separated into 8192 pixels
- Position of hits digitised by bump-bonded sensor chip





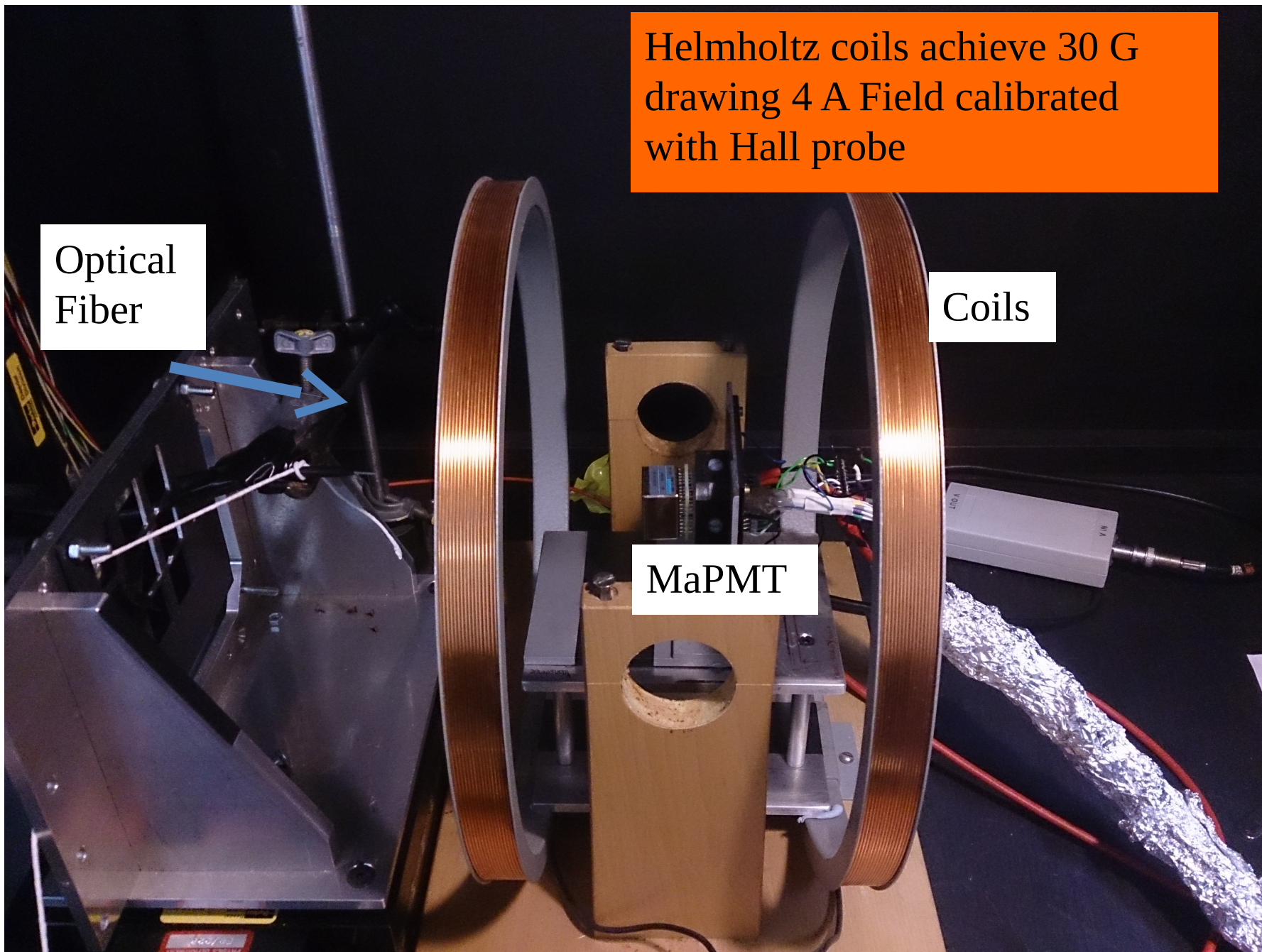
HPD Testing in Scotland:



Test station at Edinburgh, showing dark box and electronics

Test setup in magnetic field

Helmholtz coils achieve 30 G drawing 4 A Field calibrated with Hall probe



Optical
Fiber

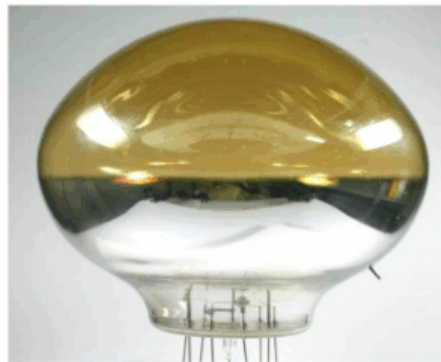
Coils

MaPMT

Short Term Timescale

- Bough 8" HPD (~3month lead time) by Matt Needham, after discussion with Nishimura/Nakayama
- Will work on the preamp and on property tests in Edinburgh.

Photo-sensor HPD R12112 (A-type): General Specification



Parameter		Description/Value	Unit
Spectral Response		300 ~ 650	nm
Typical Maximum Photocathode Sensitivity (Quantum Efficiency)@380nm		20	%
Photocathode Material		Bialkali	-
Minimum Effective Photocathode Area		180	mm dia.
Window Material		Borosilicate glass	-
Electron Multiplication Method		Semiconductor Electron Bombardment Multiplying System	-
Target Semiconductor		5mm ϕ Backside Illumination Avalanche Diode	-
Absolute Maximum Ratings	Photocathode – Target Semiconductor	10	kV
	Target Bias Voltage	350	V

Intro on LAPPDs Usage

- Potential candidate especially for near detector.
- LAPPDs (Large Area Picosecond Photo-Detector) not commercially available yet. Expected timescale <3y
- Currently:
 - Investigate physics improvements with new technology (see Matthew's talk)
 - Participate in ANNIE (see next slides). Technical report for the Fermilab PAC expected in the Fall.
 - Contribute to LAPPD reconstruction and R&D (R.Sacco, new QMUL electronic engineer*)
 - QMUL experience in MCCPs for T2K
- Longer term future:
 - Tests in the UK
 - Assess feasibility for near detector

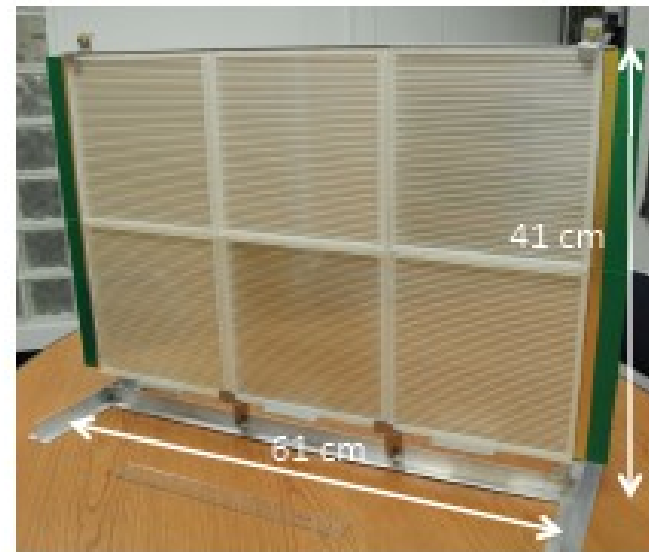
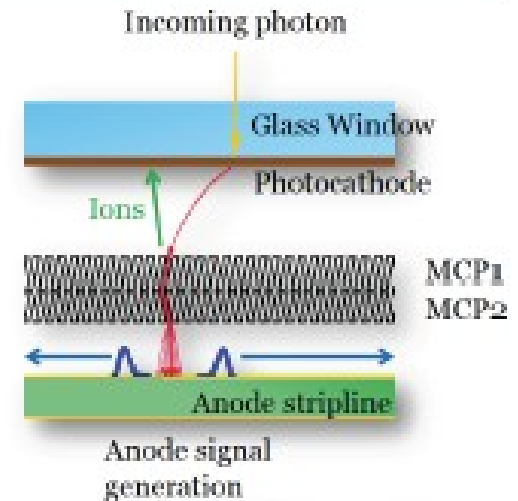


*Job advert (just advertised): <http://www.jobs.qmul.ac.uk/4872>

LAPPD

LAPPD: Approach

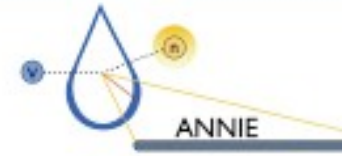
- Base on Existing Technology: Micro Channel Plate (MCP) photo-multiplier
 - Picosecond-level time resolution
 - Micron-level spatial resolution
 - Excellent photon-counting capabilities
 - Expensive
- New Aspect: Fully Integrated Approach
 - Exploit advances in material science and electronics to produce large-area MCP-PMTs:
 - Preserve time and space resolutions of conventional micro-channel plate detectors
 - At low enough cost per unit area



Annie

- Both for R&D (LAPPDs studies) and for Physics (neutron yield from ν interactions \rightarrow background for proton decay)
- SciBooNE hall in the FNAL booster beam.

ANNIE – basic concept

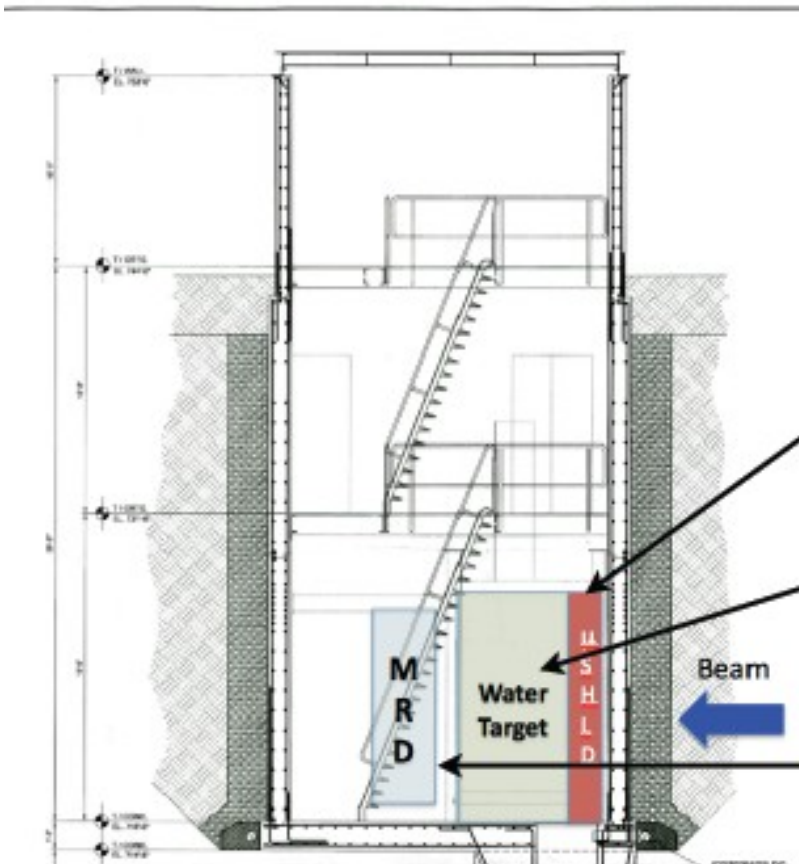


“ANNIE Hall”

veto on muons produced upstream of the detector

3m x 3m x 1.9 m tank of Gd enhanced water (w/ wBLS? oil?)

Muon Range Detector: steel with scintillating bars in between. Stop the muons, measure their energy.



LAPPDs

LAPPD Status

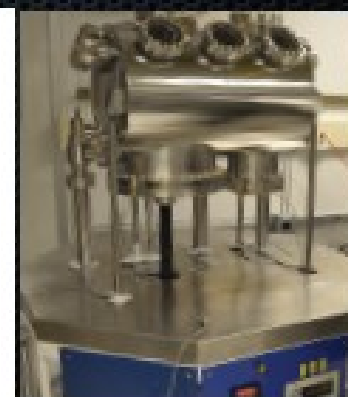
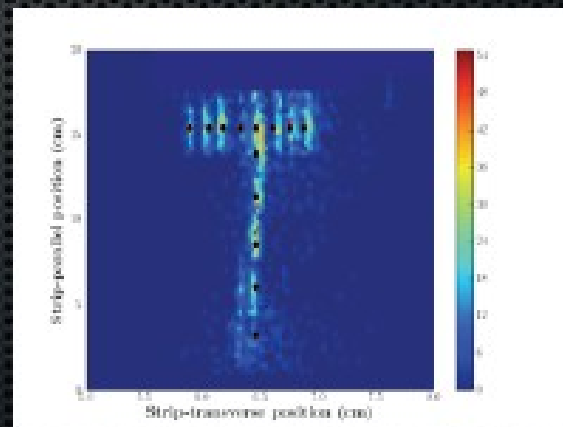
- Testing end-to-end detector system:
 - complete “dismountable” glass-body 8” MCP-detector.
 - full readout and front-end electronics, 80 cm anode line.
- Producing and testing separate 8” x 8” tile, bialkali photocathodes with QE > 20%
- There is also 8” Sealed-Tube processing tank at Berkeley SSL built and being tested.
- Psec4 chip benchmarked at:
 - 1.6 GHz analog bandwidth, 17 Gsamples/second, ~ 1mV noise
- Psec electronics system is capable of shape-fitting the LAPPD pulses for time, position, and charge at the front-end.



ANL “dismountable” detector system -
glass body LAPPD
Reconstruct of a “T” below



Berkeley SSL detector system -
ceramic body LAPPD

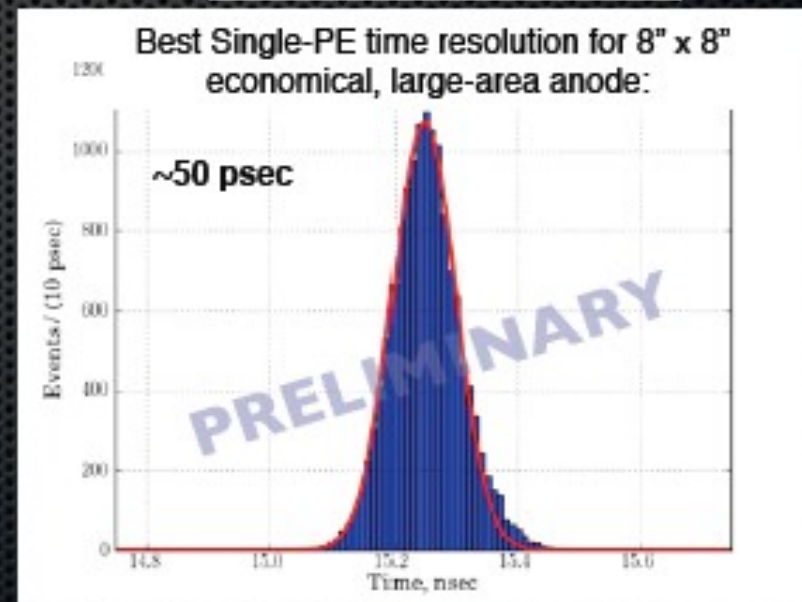
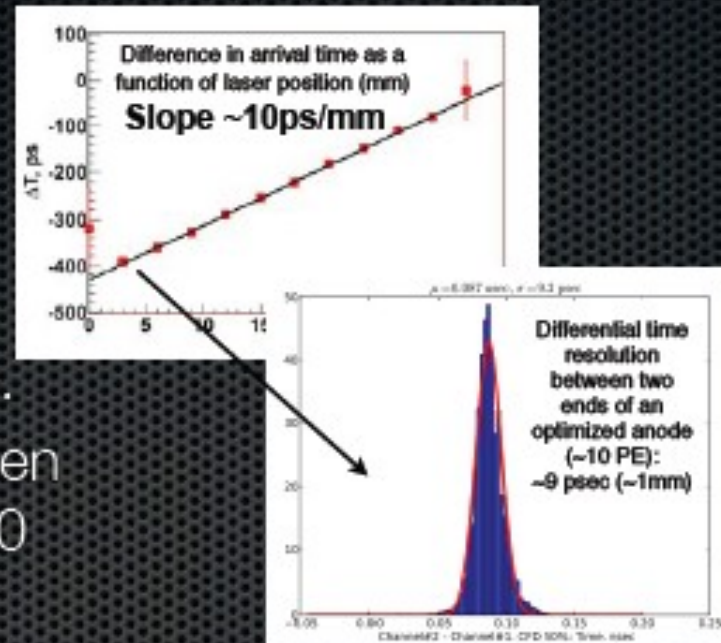


Berkeley SSL Sealed-Tube
Processing Tank

LAPPDs

LAPPD Status

- Testing 8" x 8" (Argonne-made) MCPs:
 - Pulse height peaked at 10^7 gain.
 - Differential time resolution between two ends of delay-line anode < 10 psec.
 - **2 mm spatial resolution** parallel to the strip direction, < 1 mm in transverse.
 - **Time resolution of ~ 50 psec** using economical anode design.
- Commercialization progress:
 - **\$3 M awarded** in SBIR funding to US company to commercially develop LAPPDs.



Summary

- Effort just started in the UK to join the global effort to develop the best photosensors for the Hyper-K experiment.

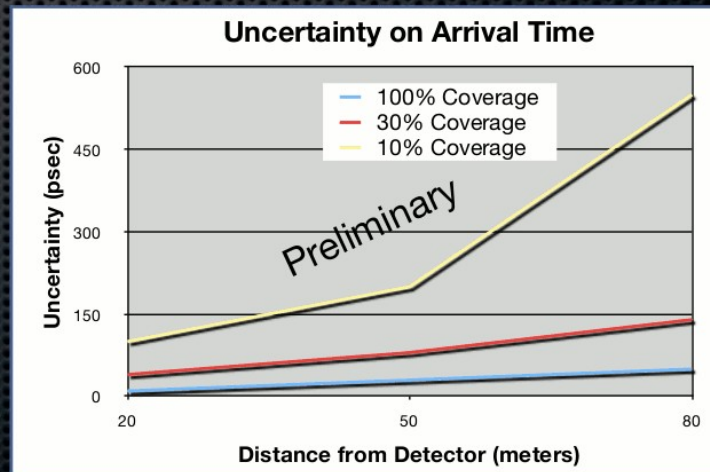
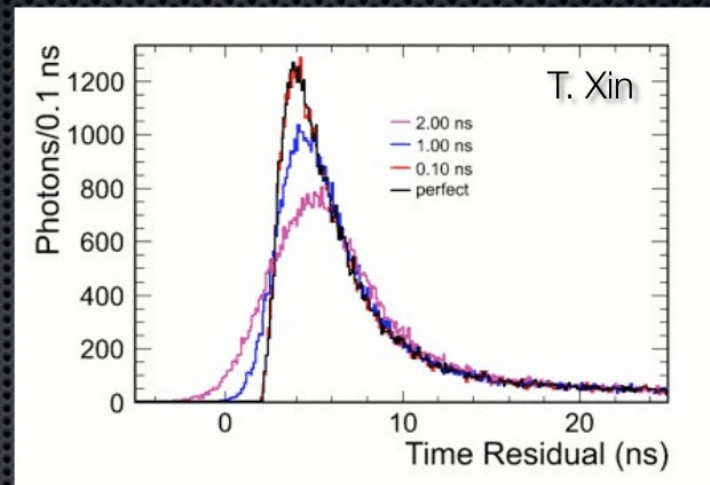
Intro on LAPPDs Usage

- Exploiting better timing/spatial resolution and coverage in WC detectors:

Using LAPPDs for Neutrinos

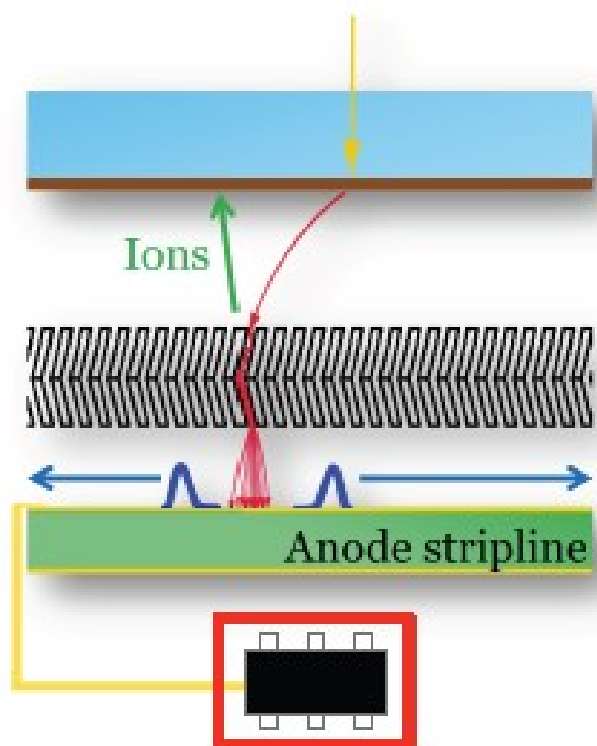
- The application of this new technology could enhance background rejection and vertex resolution by **improving spatial and timing information**.
- Our studies show that beyond 100 psec there are no further gains when using time residual distributions in a 200kton detector.
- We have also found that for a given detector size, the uncertainties in the position of the leading edge become smaller if better photodetector coverage is considered.

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LAPPD

LAPPD Deconstructed



1. Photo-Cathode (PC)
 - Conversion of photons to electrons
 - Engineer III-V materials to develop robust high QE photo-cathodes
2. Micro-Channel Plates
 - Amplification of signal: two plates with tiny pores, held at high potential difference. Use Atomic Layer Deposition for emissive material on inert substrates to create avalanche
3. Transmission line, high speed readout
 - Anodes is a 50Ω scalable strip line silk-screen printing on glass ground plane (Borofloat 33)
4. Hermetic Packaging
 - Maintain vacuum and provide support. No internal connections; no penetrations
5. Electronics
 - Readout at both ends with fast custom CMOS SCA chip with 18 GHz waveform digitization; optimized design yields pico-second timing resolution

