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LaBr₃:Ce crystals with SiPM array readout and temperature control for the FAMU experiment at RAL

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The proton radius puzzle

| | Charge radius r_{ch} (fm) | Zemach radius R_Z (fm) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| e^- -p scattering & spectroscopy | 0.8751(61) | 1.037(16) Dupays et al 03 1.086(12) Friar&Sick 04 1.047(16) Volotka et al. 05 1.045(4) Distler et al. 11 |
| μ^- -p Lamb shift spectroscopy | 0.84087(39) | 1.082(37) Antognini et al 13 |

Spatial charge and magnetic moment distributions $\rho_E(r)$, $\rho_M(R)$ in non-relativistic picture .

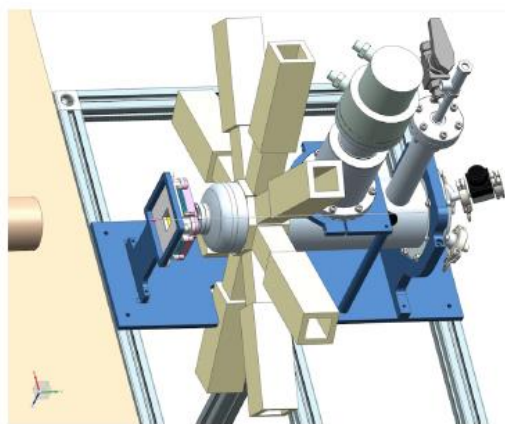
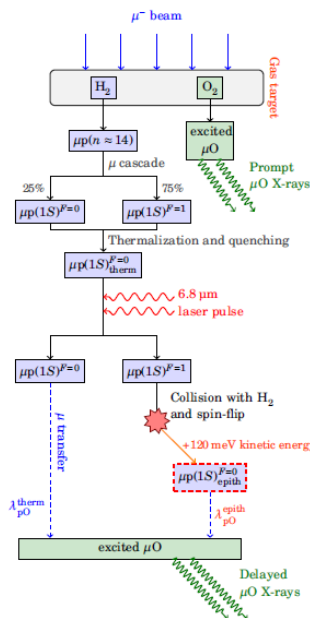
The complete set of moments $R_{E,M}^{(k)} = \int \rho_{E,M}(r) r^k d^3r$ is related to the observable quantities:

$$r_{ch} = (R_E^{(2)})^{1/2}$$

$$R_Z = \int (\int \rho_E(r') \rho_M(r-r') d^3r') d^3r$$



The FAMU experimental method



Preliminary setup at Port 1: no laser

1. Create muonic hydrogen in a hydrogen gas target and wait for its thermalization;
2. Shoot laser at resonance ($\lambda_0 \sim 6.8\mu$) spin state of μp from 1^1S_0 to 1^3S_1 , spin is flipped: $\mu p(\uparrow\downarrow) \rightarrow \mu p(\uparrow\uparrow)$;
3. De-excitation and acceleration: $\mu p(\uparrow\uparrow)$ hits a H atom. It is depolarized back to $\mu p(\uparrow\downarrow)$ and is accelerated by ~ 120 meV;
4. μ^- are transferred to heavier gas contaminant (O_2) with energy-dependent rate;
5. laser resonance λ_0 is determined by maximizing the time distribution of μ^- transferred events.
6. At this point ΔE_{HFS} may be determined from: $\lambda_0 = hc / \Delta E_{HFS}^{1S} \sim 6.8 \mu \sim 0.183$ eV with a precision $\sim 10^{-5}$. From this r_Z may be determined with a final precision better than 0.5 % via QED calculations

For all this essential to detect X-rays ~ 100 keV

Requirements for X-rays detectors in FAMU

- ❑ *Energy range: best @ 100-200 KeV, with some efficiency at higher values*
- ❑ *High statistics: maximize solid angle coverage & detection efficiency (fast risetime, pile-up rejection)*
- ❑ *Excellent control of detector behavior: minimize noise and unexpected behavior (tails/cross-talk, undershoots ..)*
- ❑ *Simple photon readout*
- ❑ *Compact detector, to instrument ``difficult'' regions under the target*

| | Ge | NaI | LaBr3 | CeCAAG | PrLuAg |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 150 keV | 0.9 cm | 0.5 cm | 0.5 cm | 0.3 cm | 0.2 cm |
| 500 keV | 2,8 cm | 3.5 cm | 2.6 cm | 1.8 cm | 1.6 cm |
| 800 keV | 3.5 cm | 4.9 cm | 3.6 cm | 2.6 cm | 2.4 cm |

Crystal thickness for 70% X-rays detection efficiency



- ❑ *From datasheets CeCAAG and PrLuAG crystals seems fine and are not hygroscopic*
- ❑ *$\frac{1}{2}$ " thickness is optimal*
- ❑ *Preliminary study to see if it was possible to use other crystals [different from LaBr₃:Ce]*

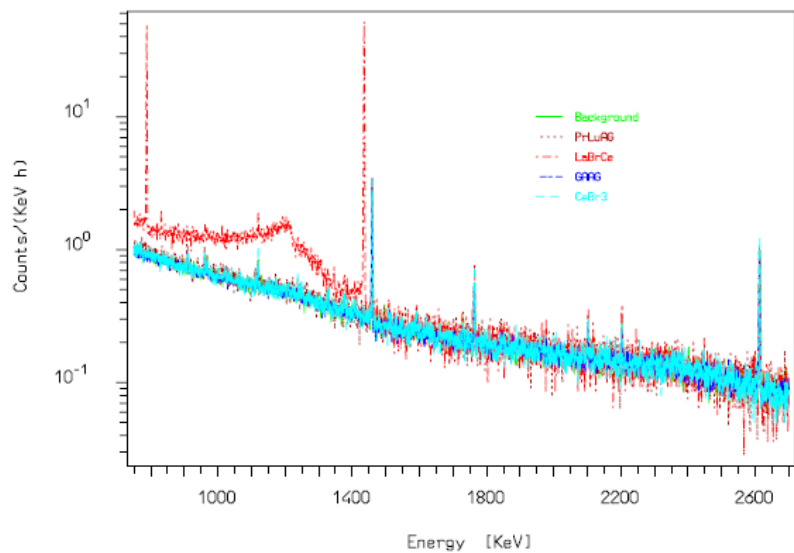
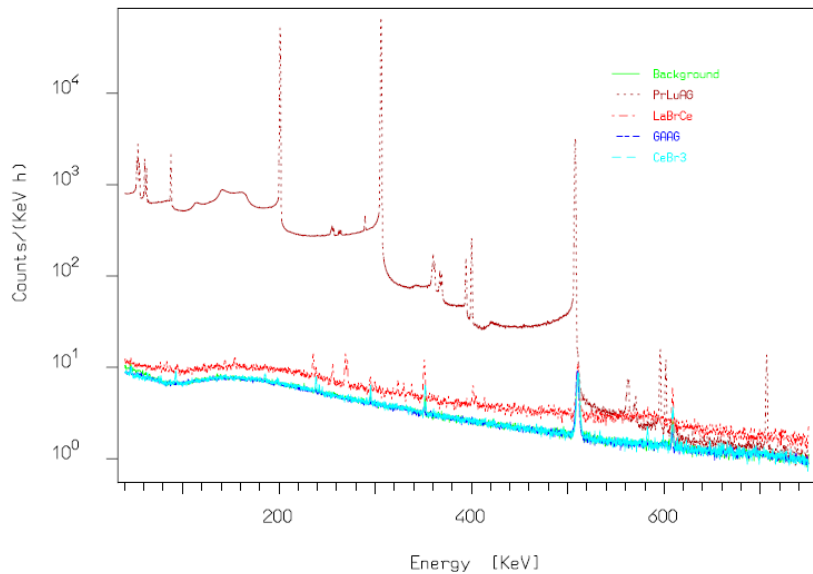
Our survey of crystals with SiPM readout (lab tests)

| Scintillator | Ce:CAAG | PrLuAG | LaBr ₃ :Ce | CeBr ₃ | LYSO |
|--|----------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Density (g/cm ³) | 6.63 | 6.73 | 5.08 | 5.18 | 7.1 |
| Light yield (photons/MeV) | 57000 | 22000 | 75000 | 47000 | 34000 |
| Decay time (ns) | 88 (91%) 258 (9%) | 20 | 30 | 25 | 40 |
| Peak emission (nm) | 520 | 310 | 360 | 370 | 420 |
| Energy resolution (% 662 KeV) [with PMTs typica] | 5.2 | 4.2 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 10 |
| Hygroscopicity | no | no | yes | yes | no |
| Cleavage | no | no | no | | no |
| Melting point [⊙] | 1850 | 2043 | 783 | 722 | 2150 |

- ❑ Preliminary study with standard spectroscopic chain
- ❑ 3 types of SiPM used:
 - SENSLE B-extended ($V_{op} \sim 27$ V),
 - Advansid 4x4 RGB ($V_{op} \sim 29.5$ V),
 - Hamamatsu S13361 TSV ($V_{op} \sim 53.8$ V)

| Resolution @ Cs ¹³⁷ peak | LaBr ₃ :Ce Hama | LaBr ₃ :Ce Advansid | CeBr ₃ Hama | PrLuAG Hama | CeCAAG Hama | CeCAAG Advansid | CeCAAG SENSLE | NAI(Tl) Hama |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Ortec 672 spec amplifier | 3.4% | 4.0% | 4.8% | 7.0% | 6.4 % | - | - | 8.4% |
| Ortec 579 fast amplifier | 3.4 % | 3.6 % | 5.1 % | - | - | 9.9 % | 10.4 % | 8.9% |

Intrinsic activity of $\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}$ crystals

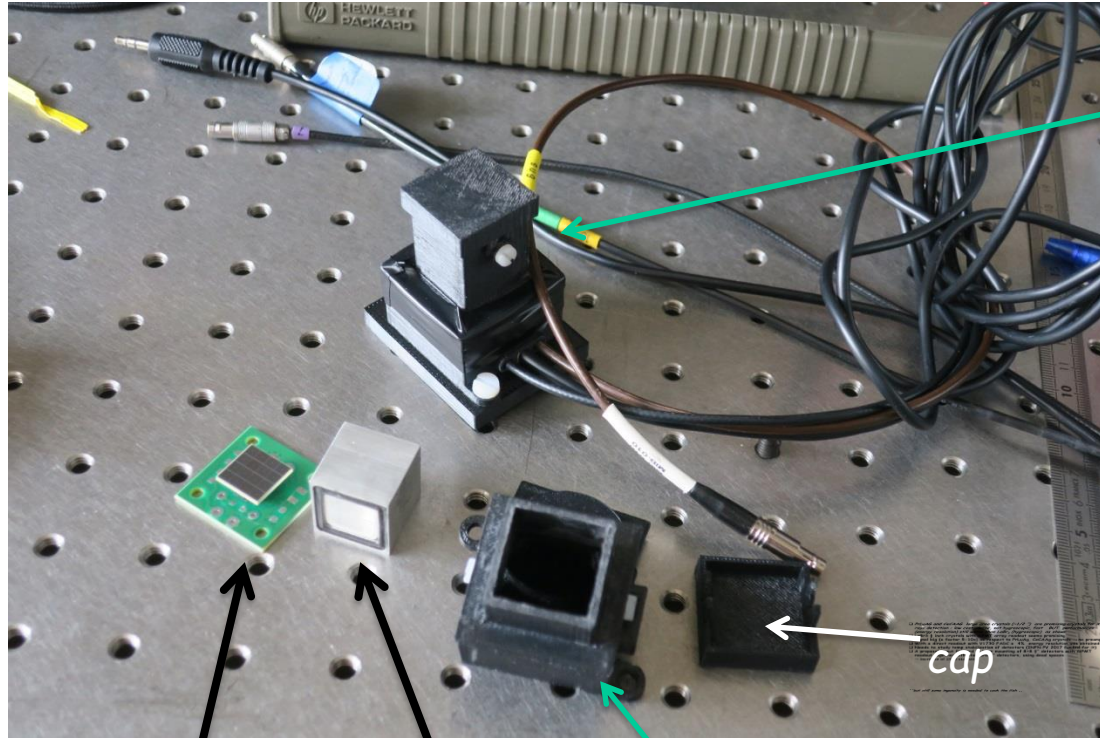


Intrinsic activity measured with a conventional HpGe spectroscopic chain based on Ortec 672 + MCA



LaBr3:Ce detectors with SiPM array readout

A simple solution is a crystal read out by a SiPMT array, where cells outputs are summed up. Analogue signal may then be digitized by a fast (> 500 MHz) digitizer. Holder in two pieces: upper one contains the crystal (may be disconnected), lower one contains PCB+array

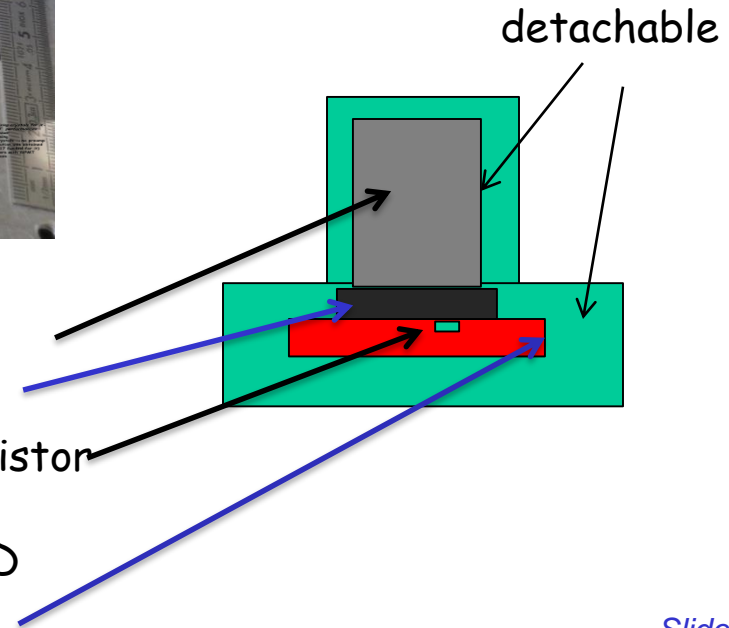


SiPM array on PCB
Crystal
Holder

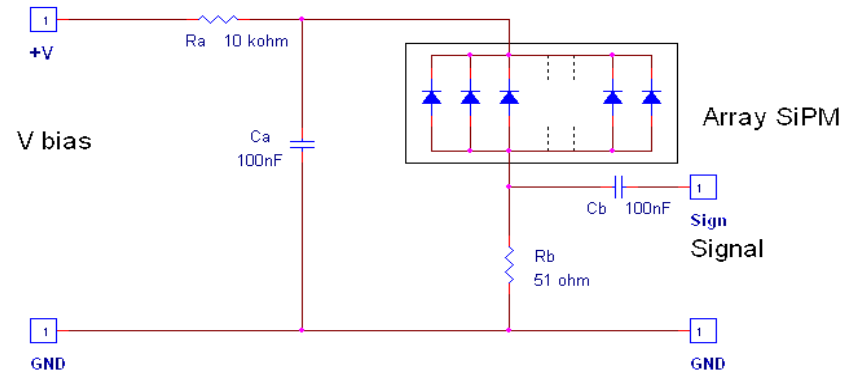
LaBr3 crystal
SiPM array

TMP37 thermistor

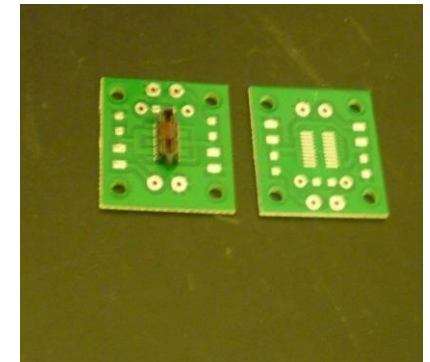
PCB+SAMFORD
connector



Details on SiPM array readout



- *SiPM array custom mount*
- *16 3x3 mm² cells signals are summed up in the basette and then readout in parallel*



Used SiPM arrays

Tested SiPMT arrays use 3x3 mm² macro-cells arranged in 4x4 arrays.

- **SENSL ArraySB-4-30035-CER arrays with 3x3 mm² macrocells, $V_{op} \sim 27$ V**
- **Hamamatsu S13361 arrays with 3x3 mm² macrocells, $V_{op} \sim 53.8$ V, TSV technology**
- **Advansid ASD-SiPM35-4x4T (RGB) arrays with 3x3 mm² macrocells, $V_{bkw} \sim 28.5$ V**

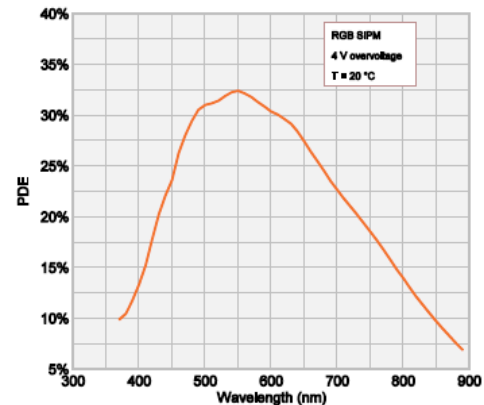
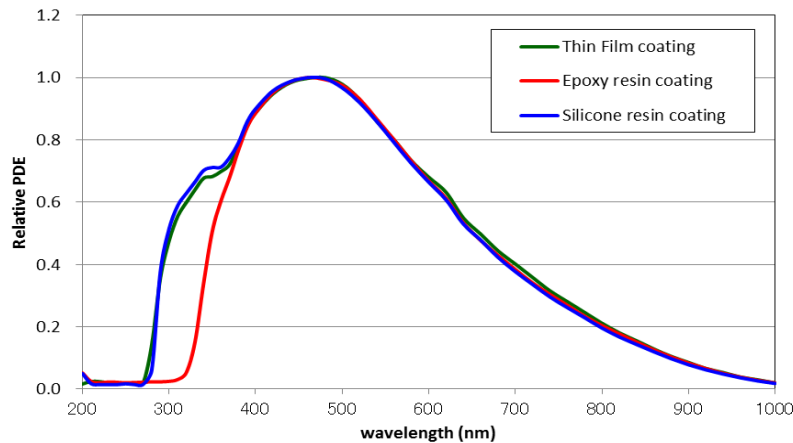
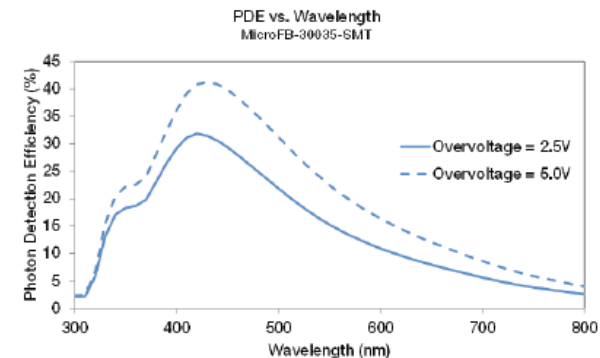


Fig.8 Photo detection efficiency (PDE) in RGB-SiPMs as a function of wavelength (crosstalk and afterpulse not included).

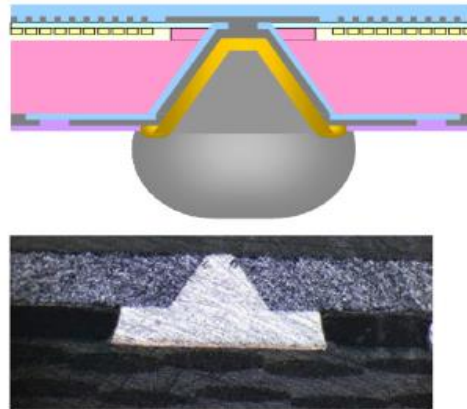
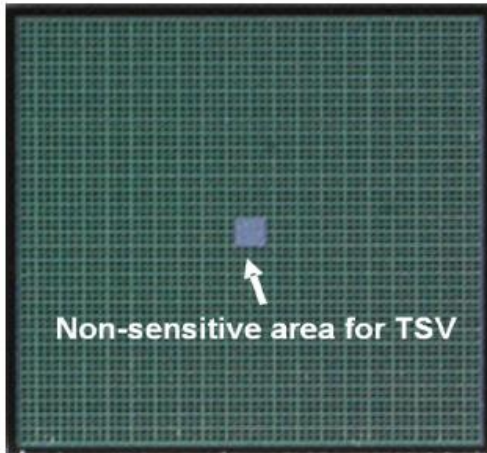


**PDE for Hamamatsu TSV SiPMT
(suitable for UV detection)**

**PDE for RGB Advansid SiPMT
(well suited for RGB detection)**

**PDE for B-extended
SENSL SiPMT**

Some more details on Hamamatsu TSV arrays



Example: Hamamatsu S13361

■ Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 deg C, per 1 ch., Vover=2.4V⁻¹ Unless otherwise noted)

| Parameters | Symbol | S12642-0404PA-50 S12642-0404PB-50 | Unit |
|--|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Spectral response range | λ | 320 to 900 | nm |
| Peak sensitivity wavelength | λ_p | 450 | nm |
| Photon detection efficiency at λ_p ⁻¹ | PDE | 35 | % |
| Dark count ⁻² | Typ. | 2 | Mcps |
| | Max | 3 | |
| Terminal capacitance | Ct | 320 | pF |
| Gain ⁻³ | M | 1.25x10 ⁶ | - |
| Breakdown voltage | VBR | 65±10 | V |
| Recommended operating voltage ⁻⁴ | Vop | VBR +2.4 | V |
| Vop variation between channels (+/-) | Typ. | 0.05 | V |
| | Max. | 0.15 | |
| Temperature coefficient of reverse voltage | $\Delta TVop$ | 60 | mV/°C |

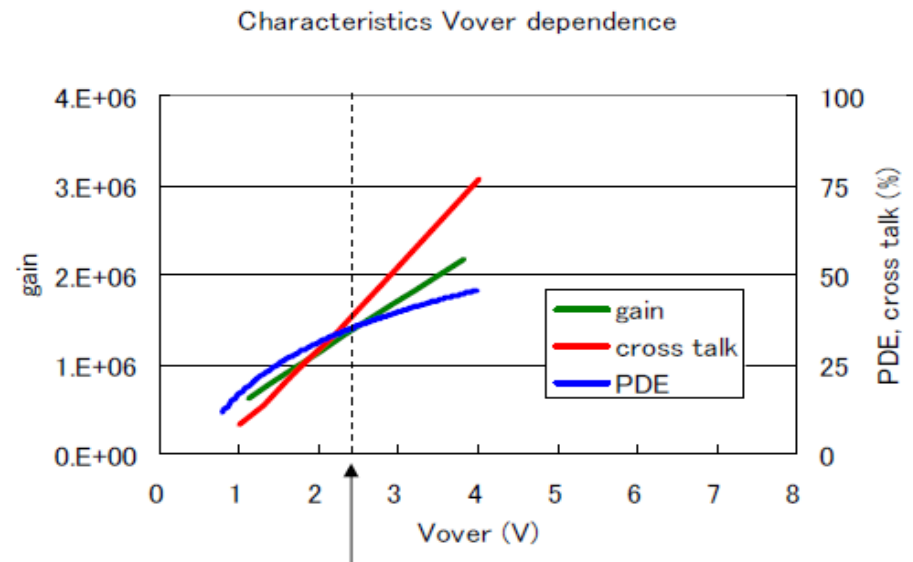
⁻¹: Photon detection efficiency does not include crosstalk and afterpulses.

⁻²: The data will be measured by current.

⁻³: Characteristics change with applied over voltage. Please refer to next section in detail.

⁻⁴: Refer to the data attached for each product.

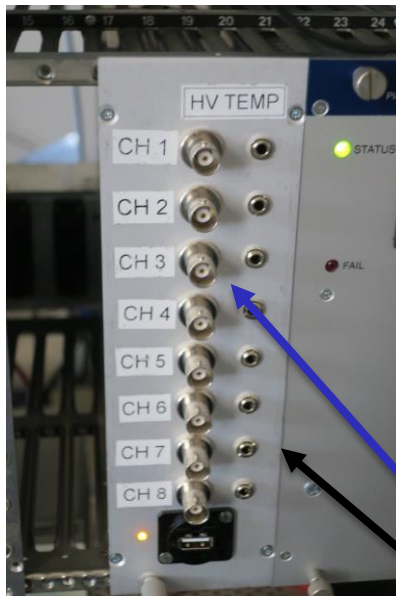
- TSV ("through Silicon Via") technology used to eliminate the need of a wire bonding pad, that creates dead spaces problems
- The anode of each channel is traced to the backside pad by TSV
- In principle better for timing application (smaller timing jitter)



A NIM module for HV with temp CTRL



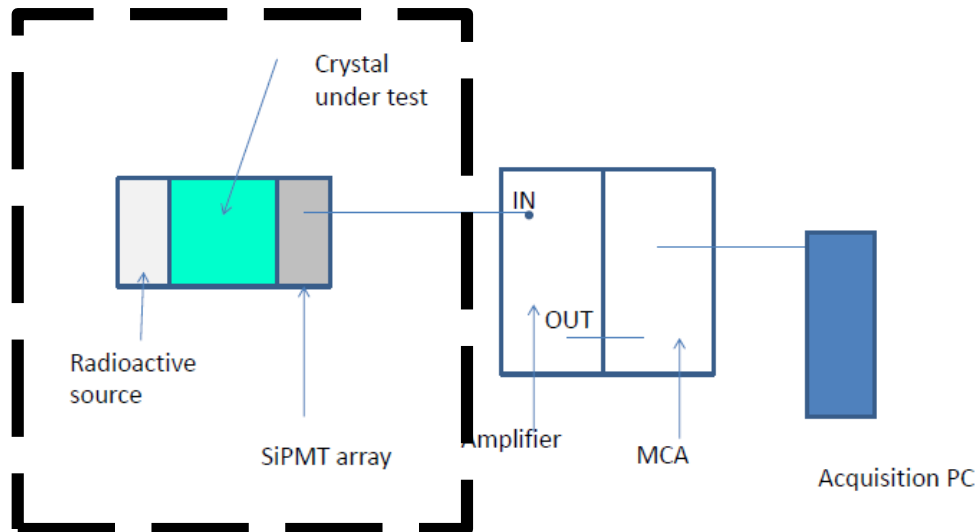
- ❑ NIM module takes HV from NIM bus
- ❑ I2C protocol avoids bulky control via an USB hub
- ❑ Temperature sensors TMP 37
- ❑ Modules includes up to 8 CAEN A7585 modules + 1 FDTI USB to I2C controller
- ❑ In addition slave modules on the I2C bus



- ❑ HV BNC connector
- ❑ 3.5 mm stereo jack for temperature sensor
- ❑ FDTI USB to I2C controller

Experimental layout for lab tests

- ❑ Tests with different SiPMT arrays from Hamamatsu, SENSL, Advansid
- ❑ No signal amplification (100-200 mV)
- ❑ Standard spectroscopic readout chain . Ortec 570, 579 or 672 amplifiers + CAEN N951 MCA or ORTEC EasyMCA or DT5730 digitizer (same as standard V1730 VME module used in FAMU DAQ)
- ❑ Different calibrated X-rays sources from Spectrum Techniques
- ❑ In some tests a climatic chamber was used

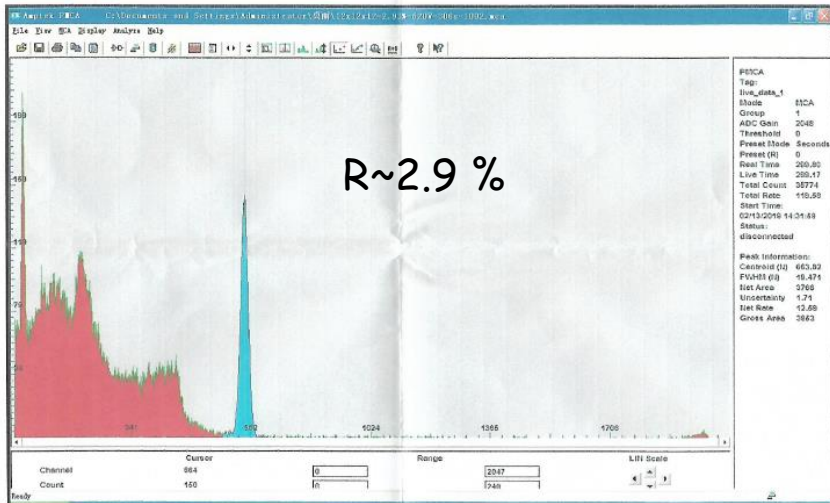


Inside ARMFLEX insulation (at room temperature) or climatic chamber

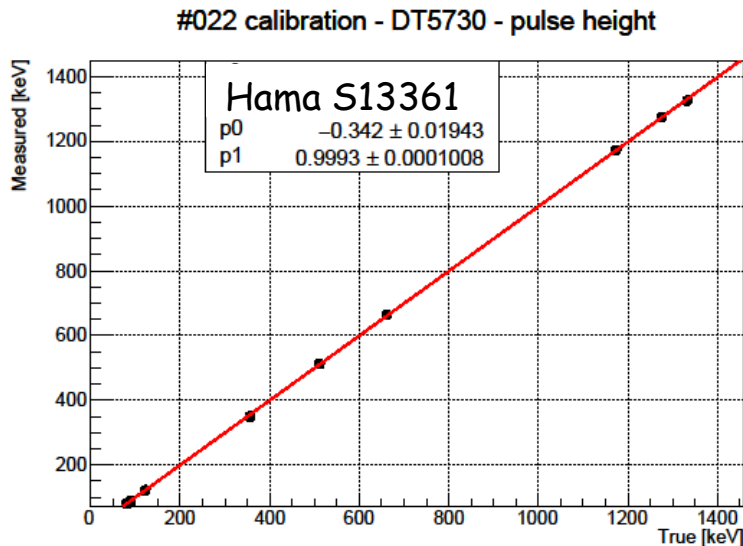


direct SiPMT-array signal ,
no amplification

Laboratory tests with $\frac{1}{2}$ " crystals

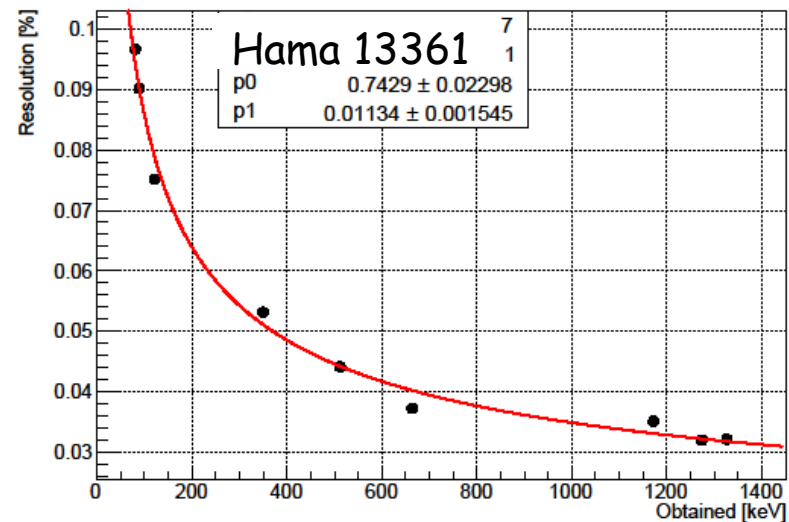


- ❑ MCA spectra from producer (OST photonics) using a PMT: resolution $R \sim 3\%$ for $\frac{1}{2}$ " crystals
- ❑ Linearity and resolution with calibration sources in lab, using a CAEN DT5730 digitizers and Wavedump ($\sim 3-3.5\%$)



Good detector linearity: better than 2%

#022 resolution - DT5730 - pulse height



Temperature effects on SiPM gain [to be corrected]

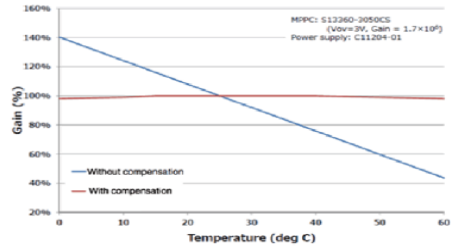


Figure 4. Gain variation versus temperature for Hamamatsu S13360-3050CS SiPM without temperature compensation (blue line) and with compensation (red line) provided by the C12332-01 driver circuit.

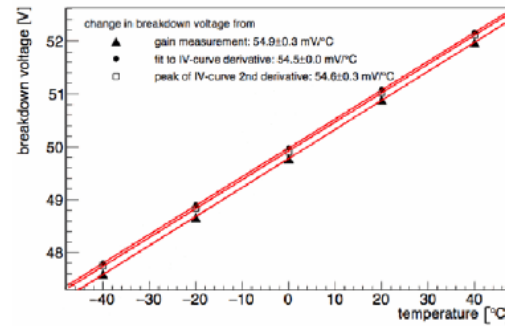
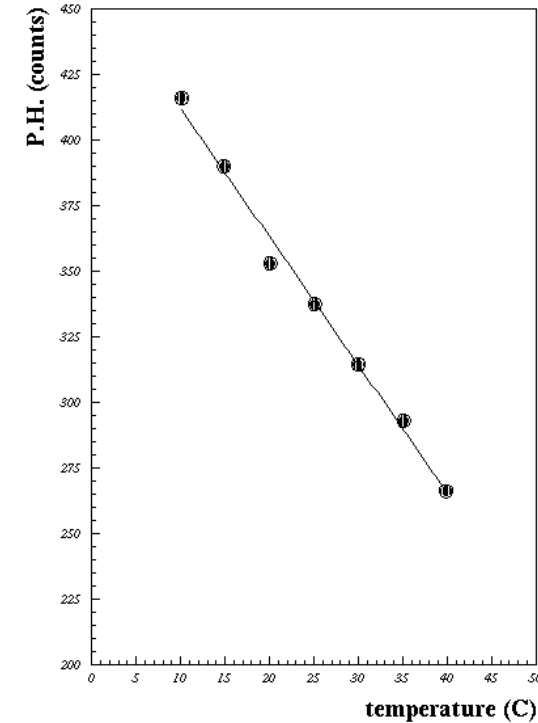
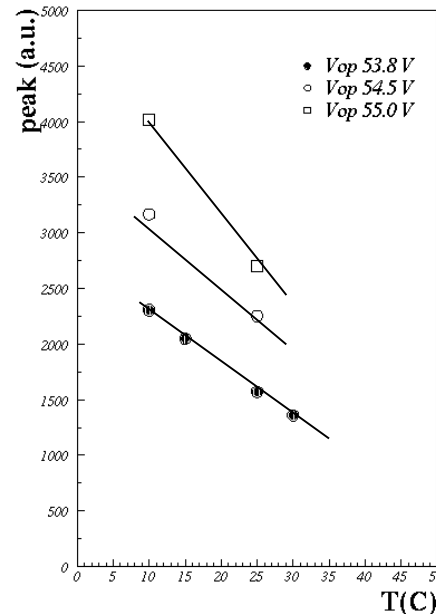


Figure 2. Dependence of breakdown voltage on temperature for Hamamatsu S13360-3050CS SiPM. The figure is from Otte et al. (2016).

LaBr3 with Advansid SiPM array



LaBr3 with Hamamatsu SiPM array

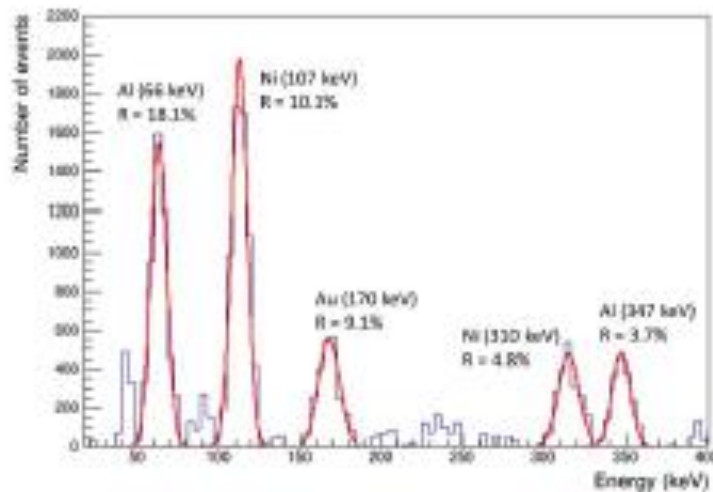


- Temperature effect $\sim 1\%/C$ (depends on SiPM type), explained with decrease of V_{brk} with temperature lowering.
- To be corrected offline or online
- tests with a Memmert IPV30 "climatic chamber" (precision 0.1 C between 0. - 70 C)

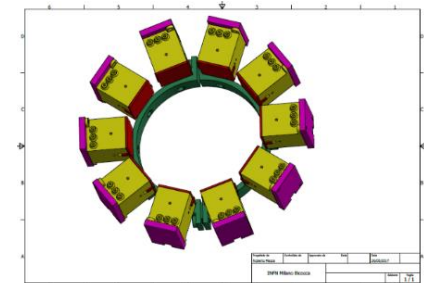
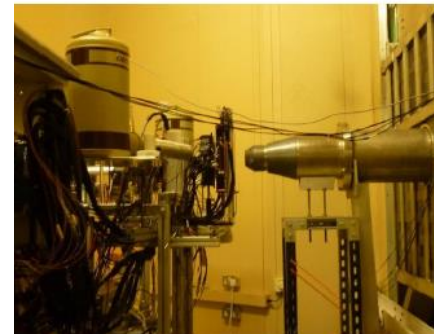
Spectra seen in 2017 run

| array | 59 keV | 122 keV | 662 keV |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Hama 13361-AS (6 pcs) | $14.5 \pm 1.6 \%$ | $9.6 \pm 1.4 \%$ | 5.0 ± 0.9 |
| Hama 13361-AE (2 pcs) | $20.1 \pm 1.1 \%$ | $13.4 \pm 3.1 \%$ | 5.1 ± 0.4 |
| Advansid ASD-P-4-TD (1 pcs) | 20 % | 11.8 % | 5.5 % |

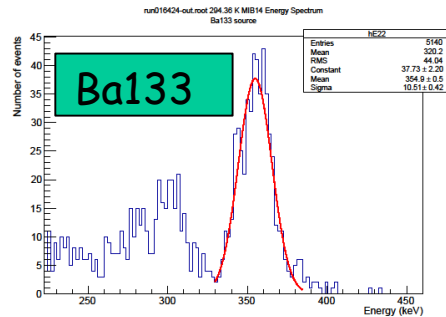
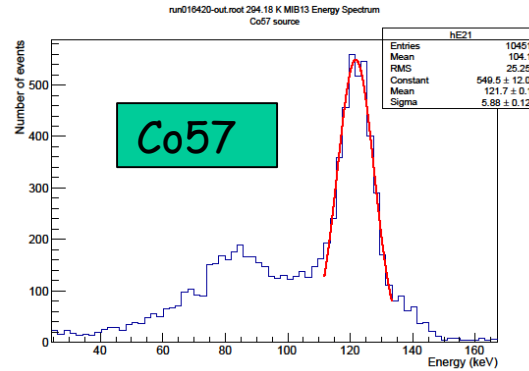
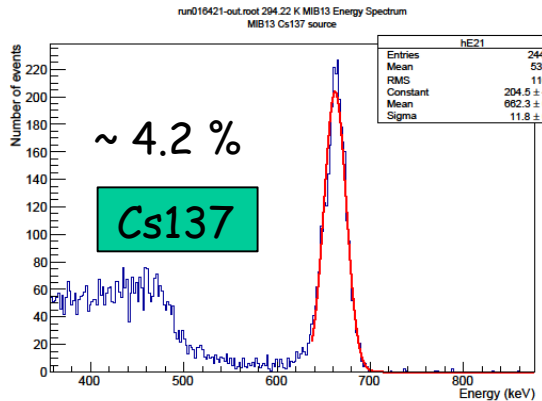
Obtained FWHM resolution of $\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}$ with SiPM array as measured with calibration runs with ^{57}Co and ^{137}Cs sources at RAL



Spectrum with pure Hydrogen filling of the target, as seen with one $\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}$ detector with SiPM readout (Hamamatsu S13361)

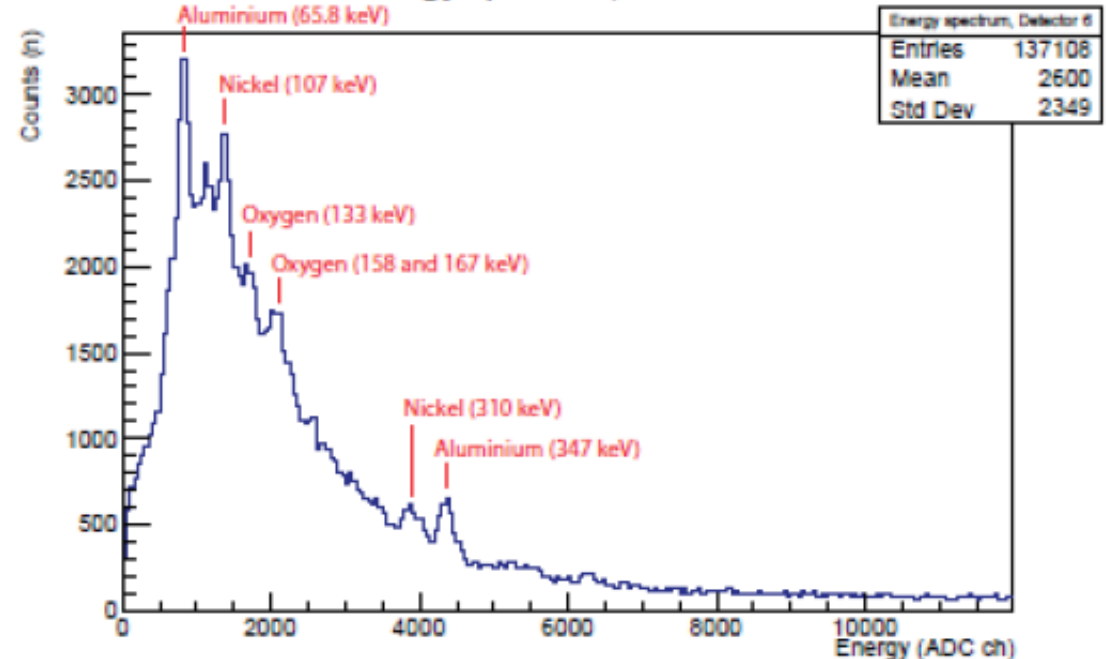


X-rays detection at RAL in the FAMU experiment

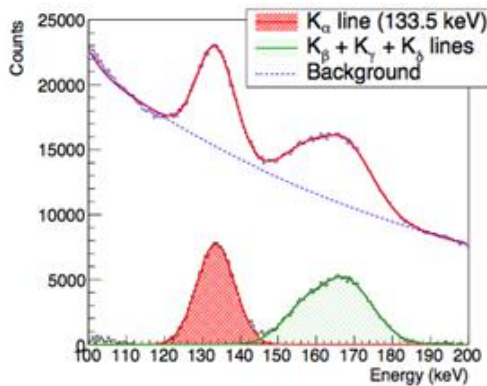


- ❑ December 2018 run with H+O₂(2%), 80 K, 7 bar at RAL
- ❑ Calibration with sources
- ❑ Resolution with sources poorer than in lab due to env noise, poor positioning of sources, ...
- ❑ data taken with muon beam at 56 MeV/c at RAL : peaks are clearly visible in the region 80-400 keV

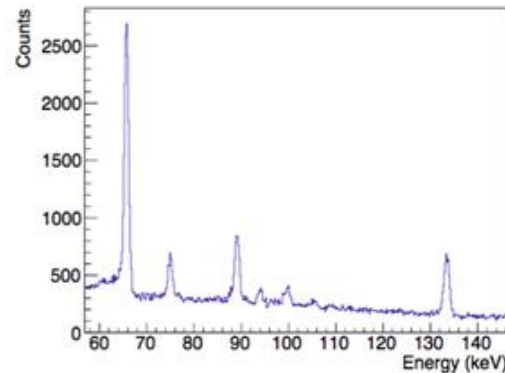
Energy spectrum, Detector 6



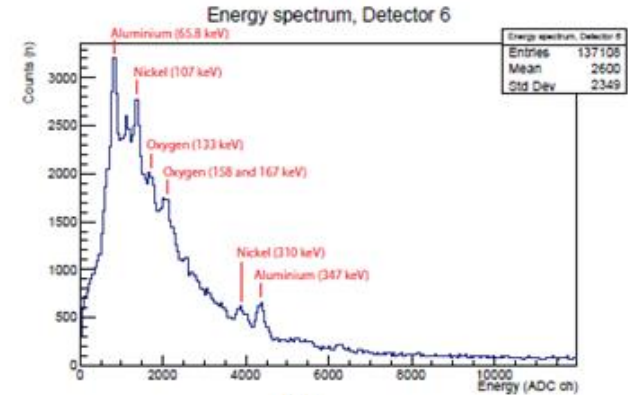
Comparison between different X-rays detectors in FAMU



(a) LaBr₃ counters spectrum



(b) HPGe spectrum



(c)

LaBr₃:Ce with PMT readout: mature technology, but bulky

HPGe superior resolution, but slower

LaBr₃:Ce with SiPM array readout: much more compact. Needs some R&D

All have pro and cons

Conclusions

- ❑ *PrLuAG and CeCAAG* large area crystals (~1/2 ") have worse resolution as respect to *LaBr₃:Ce* crystals
- ❑ *LaBr₃:Ce* with *SiPM* array readout and temperature gain control seems a promising solution with a resolution *R* (FWHM) comparable with *PMT* readout (~3.5 %)
- ❑ this kind of detector is much more compact than the one with *PMT* readout
- ❑ It may have promising applications also in homeland security and *TOF-PET*
- ❑ To increase resolution use new *Hamamatsu S14361 SiPM* array (with increased *PDE* at 390 nm)

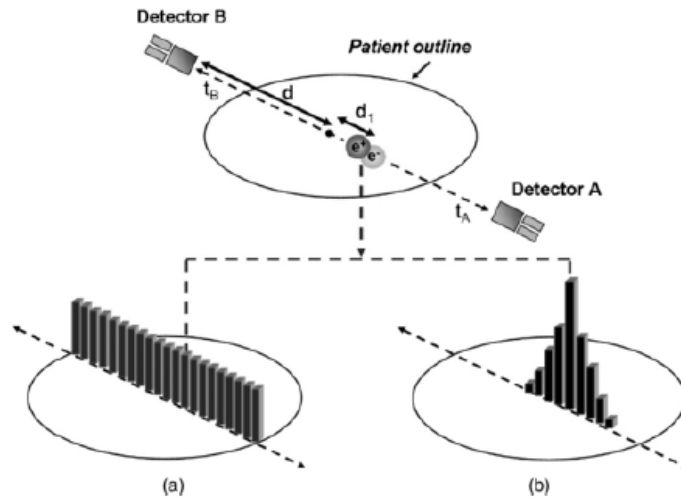
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Thank you for attention



Other possible applications

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- large soft photon yield per MeV
- high density crystals (stopping power)
- soft photon detection in magnetic fields
- compact design
- high granularity
- non-hygroscopic
- affordable

TOF PET imaging (Medical Physics)



Homeland Security Applications
Nuclear Plant Monitoring

Homeland security