

ProtoDUNE-DP Photon Detection System

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 - Purity measurement
 - S1 signal characterization
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 - S2 signal identification & characterization
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Photon Detection System

Crucial system to provide event timing, trigger for non-beam events and calorimetric measurements

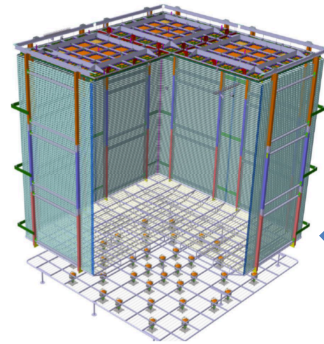
36 8" cryogenic photomultipliers (PMTs)

Wavelength-shifter:
PEN / TPB coating on PMT

Voltage divider base + single HV-signal cable + splitter (external)

Light calibration system:
LED (external) & fiber based

DAQ system (external)



ProtoDUNE-DP

PDS placed below the ground grid

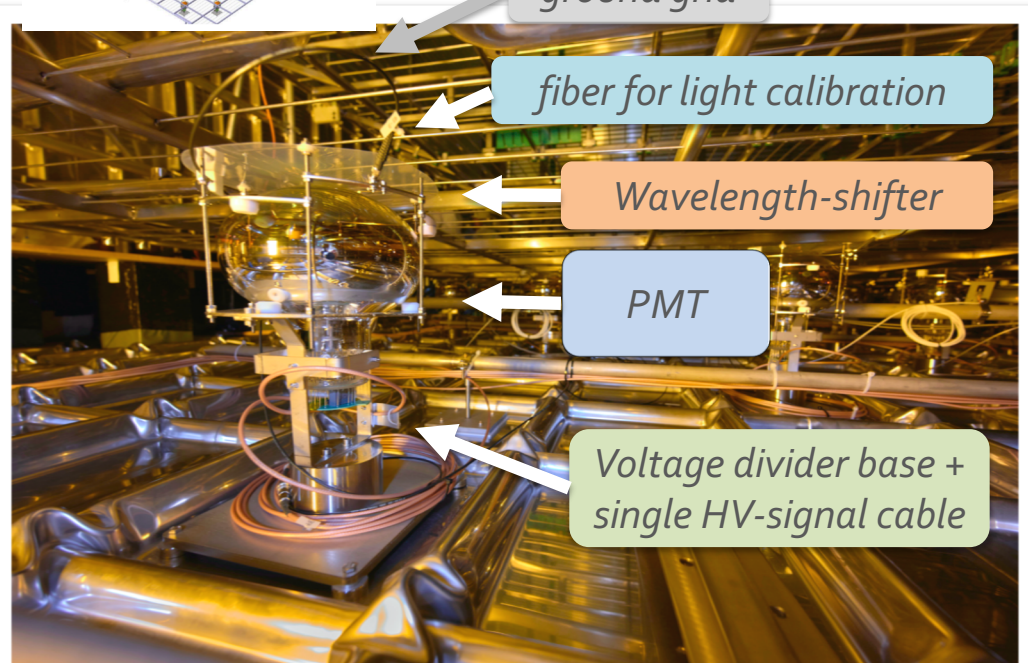
ground grid

fiber for light calibration

Wavelength-shifter

PMT

Voltage divider base + single HV-signal cable

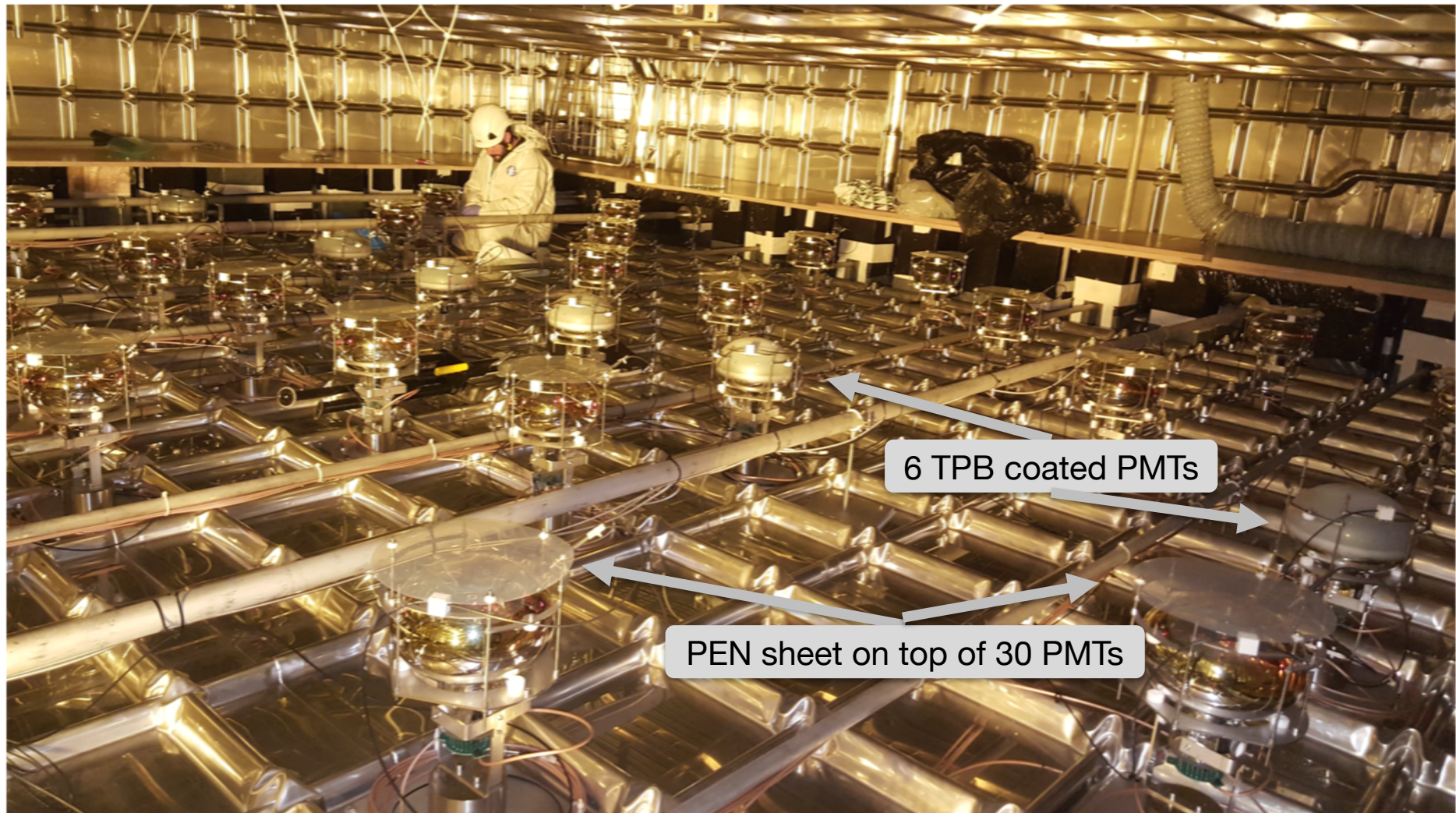


Photomultiplier tubes

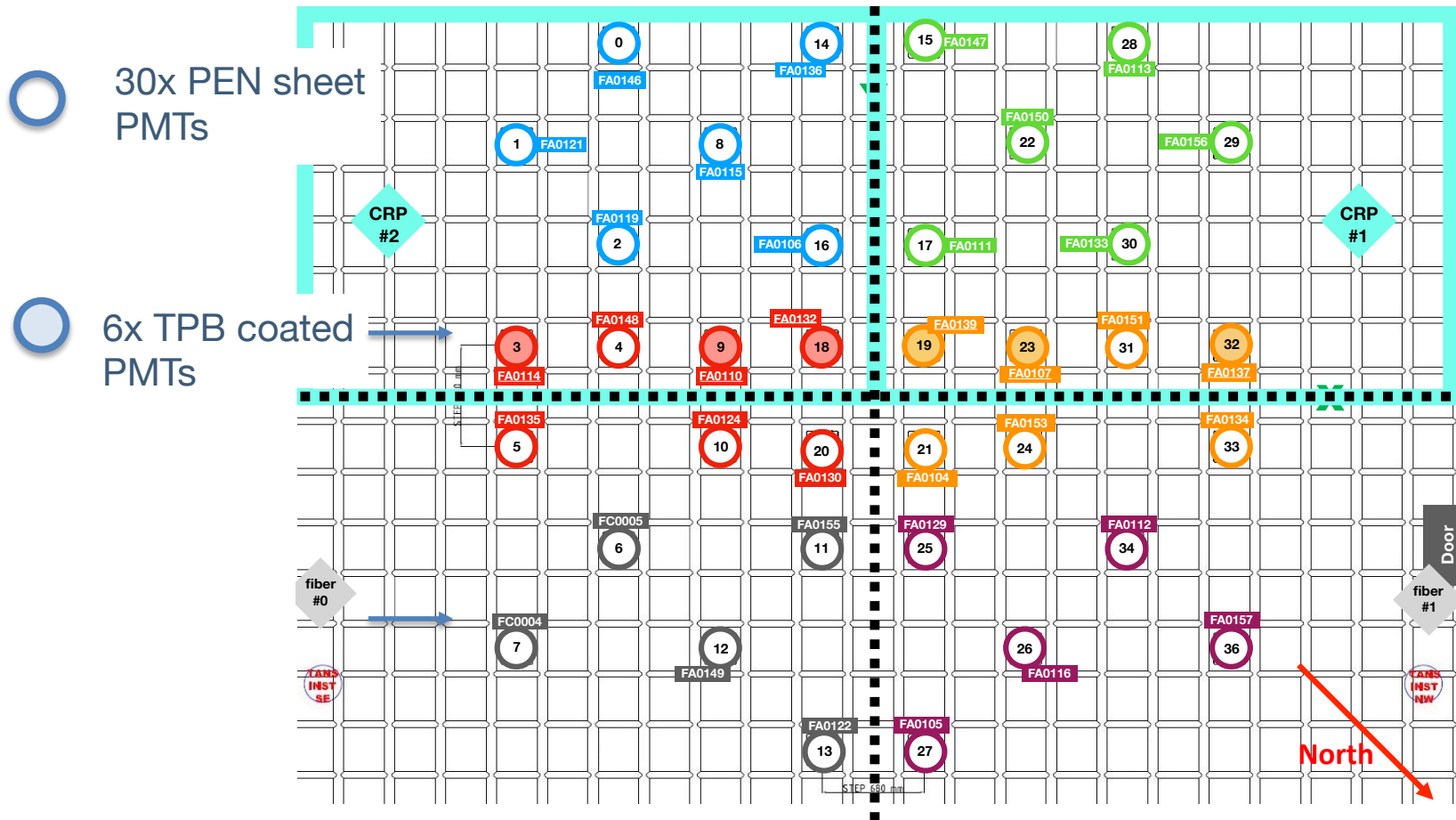
- **36 (+4 spares) 8" cryogenic PMTs (Hamamatsu R5912-20Mod)** fully characterized at CIEMAT: gain, dark current, linearity, and light rate at room and cryogenic T
[JINST 13 \(2018\) T10006](#)
- Installation at CERN in February 2019



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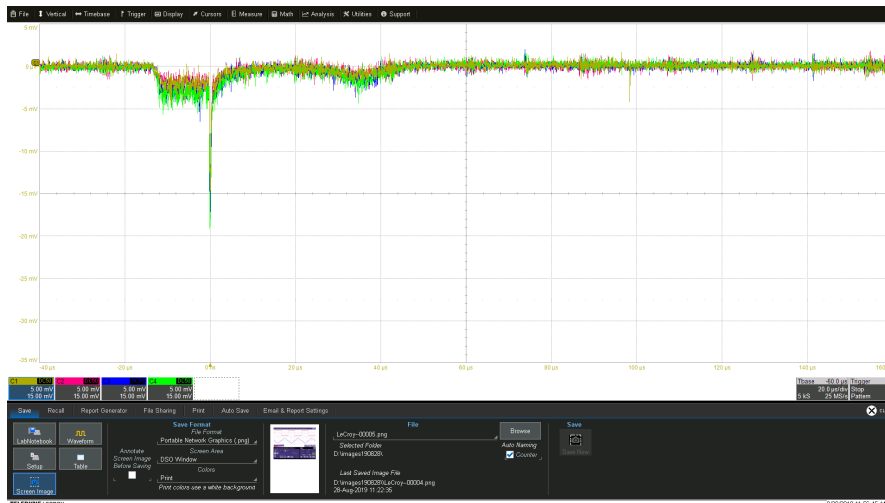
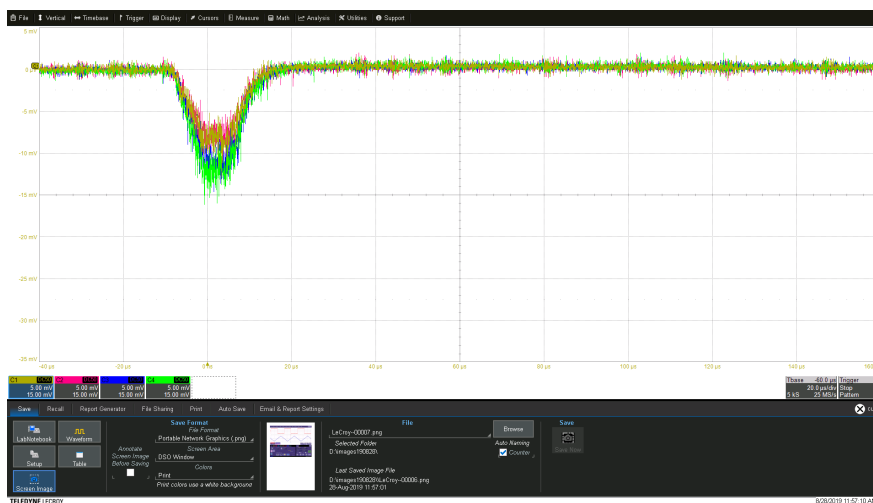
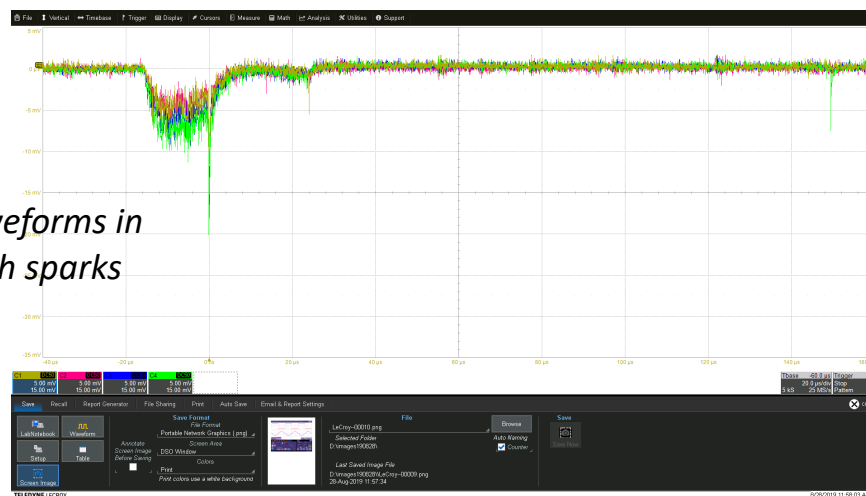
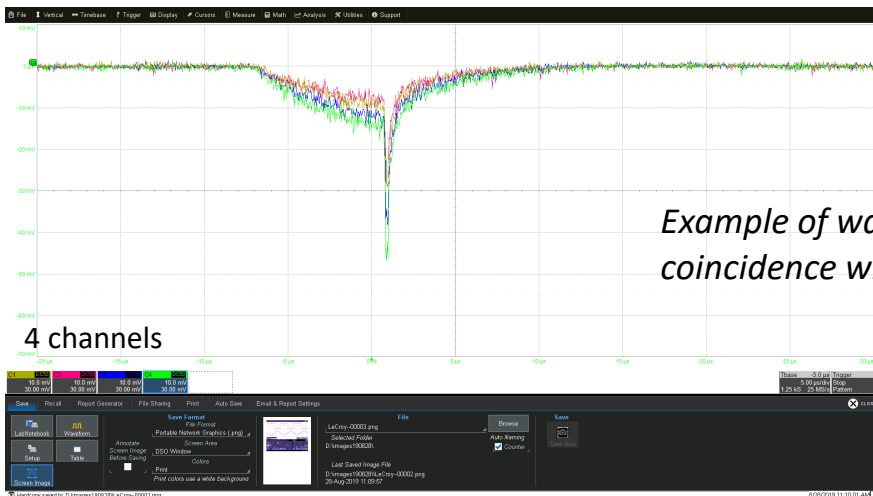


Channels 2, 15, 16, 29 connected to the scope

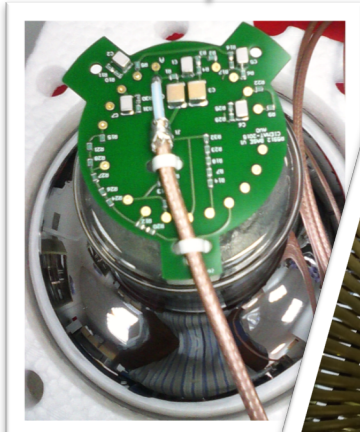
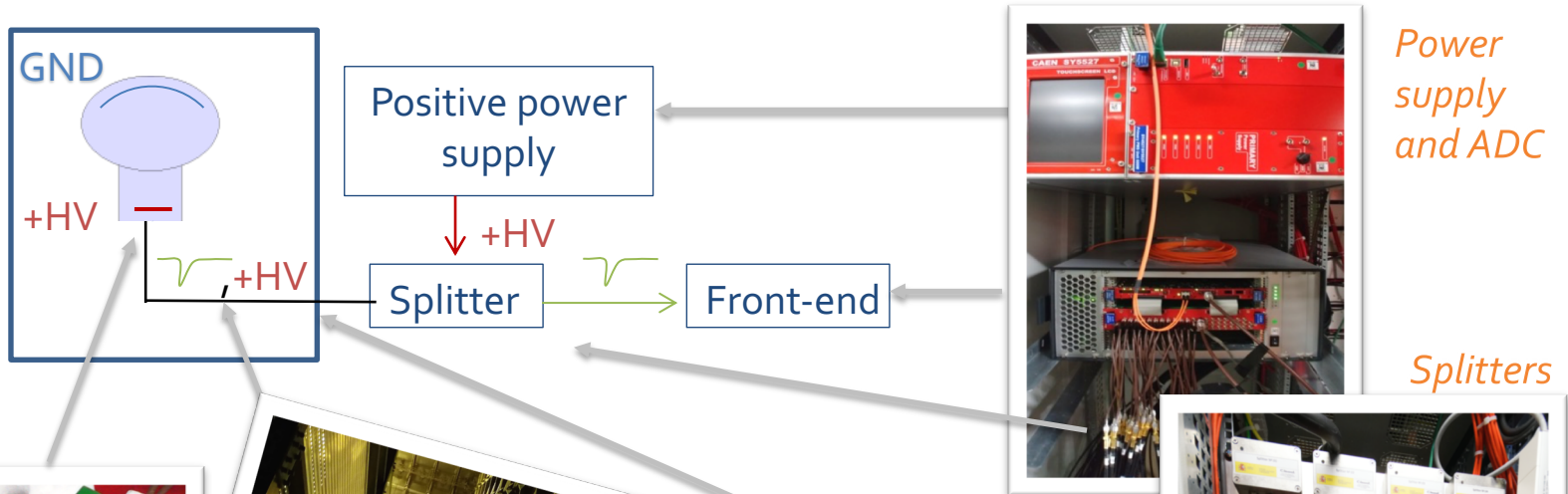
4 PMTs connected to the scope to monitor sparks

Example of waveforms in coincidence with sparks

4 channels



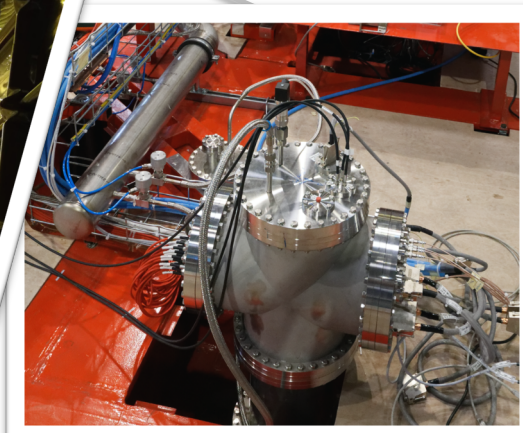
PMT bases, cables & splitters



PMT base



PDS cables



Flange



Power supply and ADC



Splitters

Light calibration system

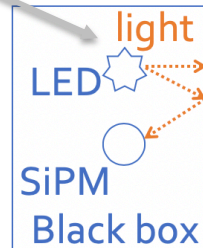
- LED & fiber based: [JINST 14 \(2019\) T04001](#)
- Calibration hardware and software running



Light source



Black box

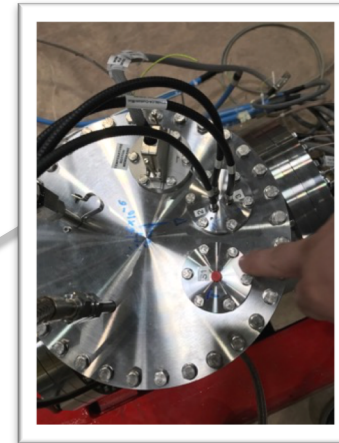


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Cryostat

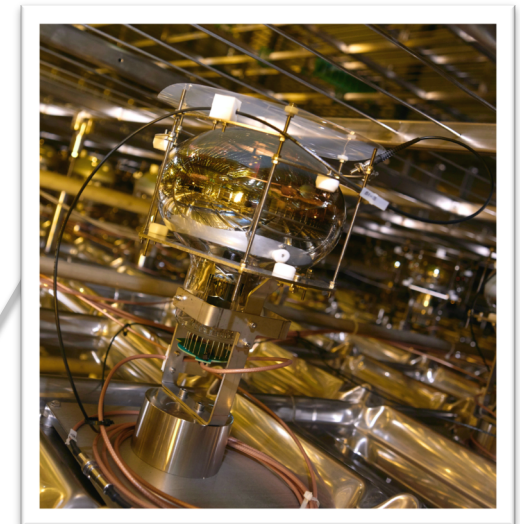
Fiber (22.5 m)

1-to-7 fiber bundle (3 m)



Flange

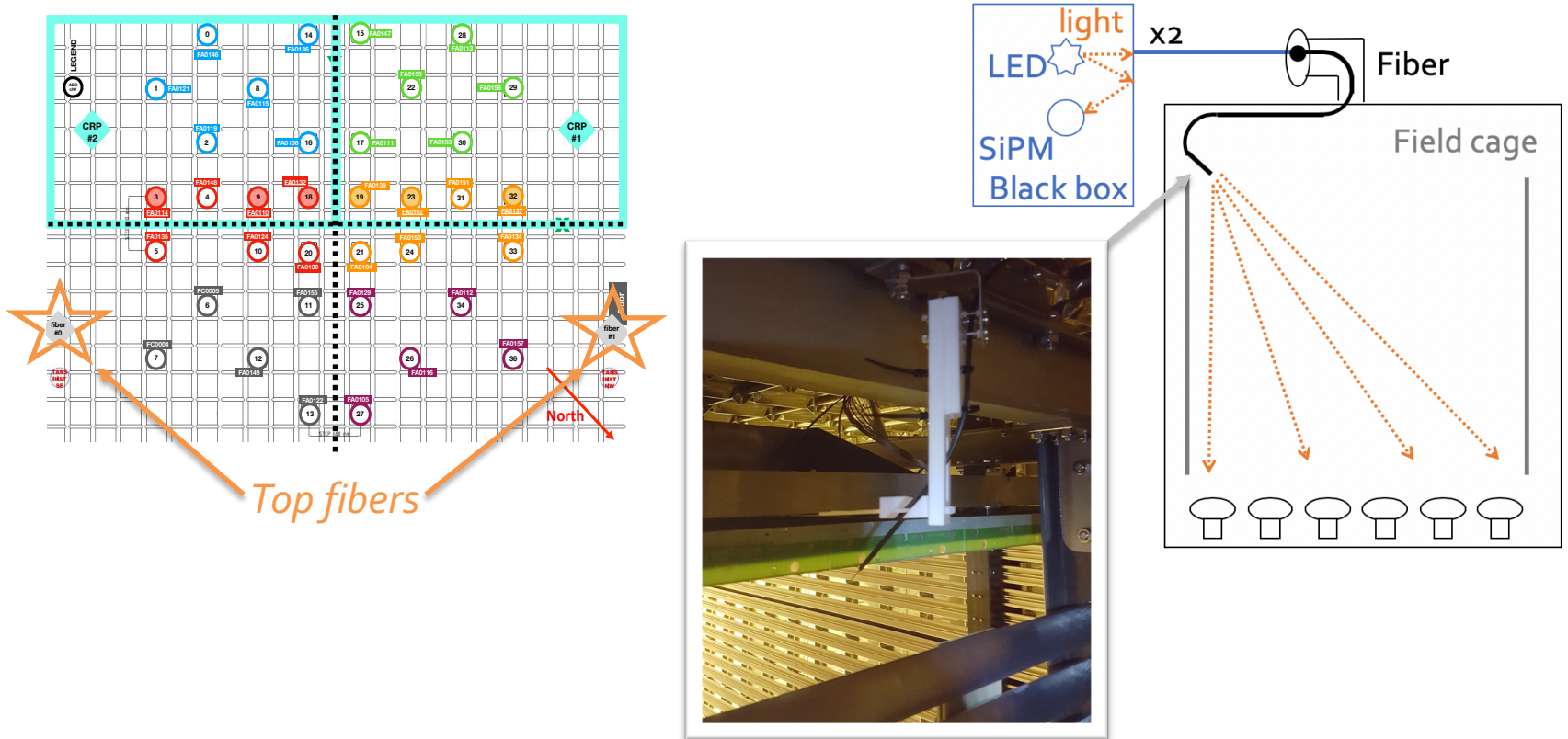
Fiber pointing at PMT



Alternative light calibration system

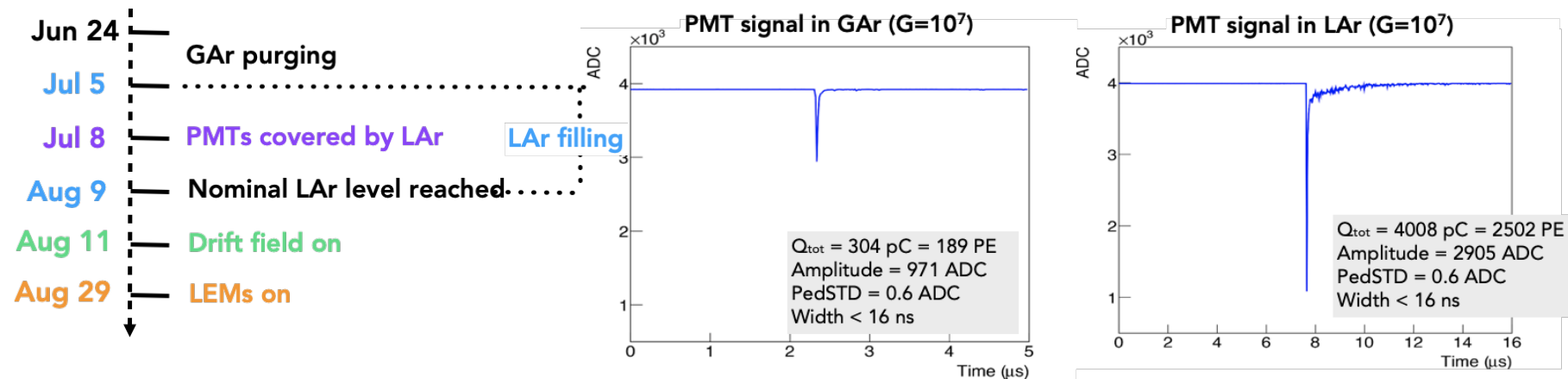
Alternative system installed:

- 2 fibers placed on top of the field cage to calibrate several PMTs with a single fiber
- More convenient for DUNE



Light data taking conditions

- Scintillation light data acquisition started on June 2019 during GAr purging



- Different triggering data acquired:
 - Light calibration system: (1 kHz) to determine PMT gain
 - Random trigger: (configurable rate) background studies
 - PMT self-trigger: (Hz-kHz) coincidence of several PMTs under different configurations to select tracks
 - Global Trigger (external trigger): light-charge simultaneous analysis
 - Random trigger (10 Hz) in coincidence with charge
 - Temporary scintillator panels trigger (0.45 Hz)

Summary of data collected

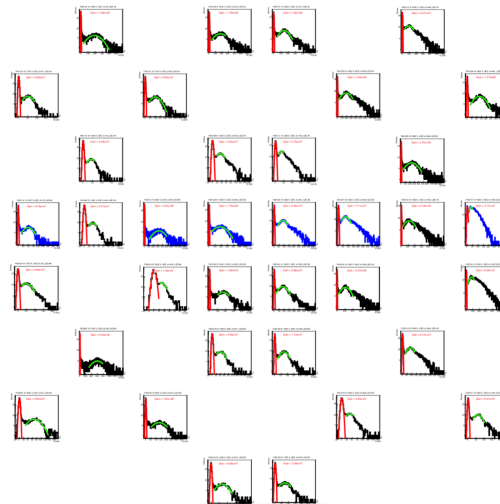
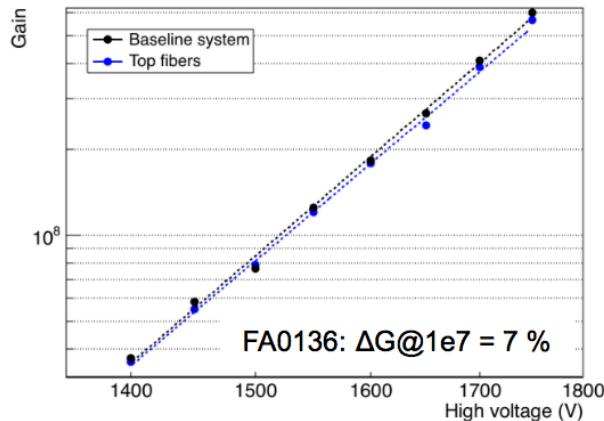
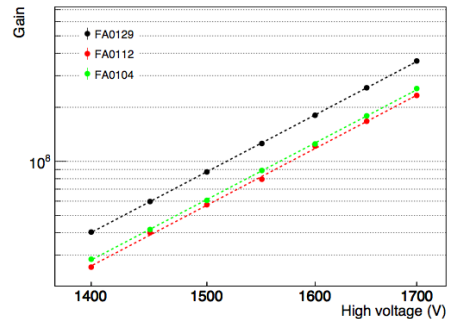
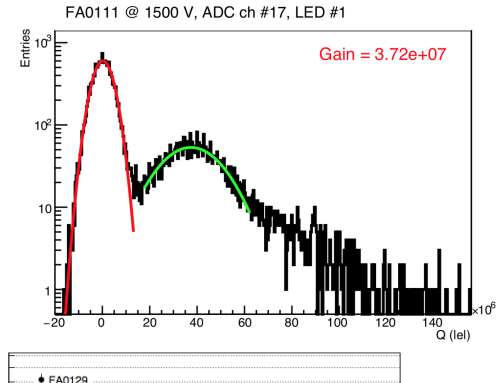
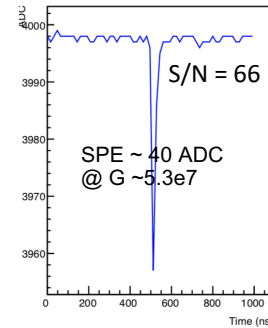
- Data taken almost every day since June 2019
 - PMTs are switch ON-OFF several times per day to allow cameras to survey the liquid surface and purity monitor measurements
- All data is long-term saved in eos:
 - Raw data as taken from MIDAS
 - ROOT data converted
- Midas data is also copied to CASTOR
- > 1000 runs taken
- This represents:
 - 90 hours of data (60M events).
 - 46TB of MIDAS data, 11TB of root files
- ~ Weekly calibrations
- 2 long PMT runs (~15 h):
 - 6/11/19 w/o field
 - 27/11/19 w field (2.9 kV LEMs, 50 kV cathode, 6 kV grid)

<i>Trigger</i>	# of runs	# of events	time (h)
CRT Panels	3	4.5k	2.9
Random trigger runs	39	7.8M	7.0
Calibration runs	534	10.6M	4.3
PMT trigger runs	462	43.5M	77.1
Total	1,038	61.9M	91.3

<i>Voltage across LEMs</i>	# of runs	# of events	time (h)
0kV	286	27.9M	23.3
2.7kV	2	56.1k	1.3
2.9kV	42	2.6M	9.8
3.0kV	16	663k	4.6
3.1kV	30	993k	5.1
3.2kV	40	1.1M	0.7
3.3kV	73	1.8M	0.5
Tests	549	26.9M	45.9
Total	1,038	61.9M	91.3

Data analysis: PMT calibration

- Using the LED-based dedicated calibration system:
 - SPE integration
 - Fit SPE spectrum (2 gaussians)
 - Gain vs HV curve por each PMT
- PMTs are calibrated regularly and HVs are tuned if needed to keep the gain constant
- The **alternative system** has been validated:
 - 36 PMTs can be calibrated using top fibers (with 2 LED voltage levels)
 - Measured gain variation of $\sim 7\%$ (on average) wrt the baseline system



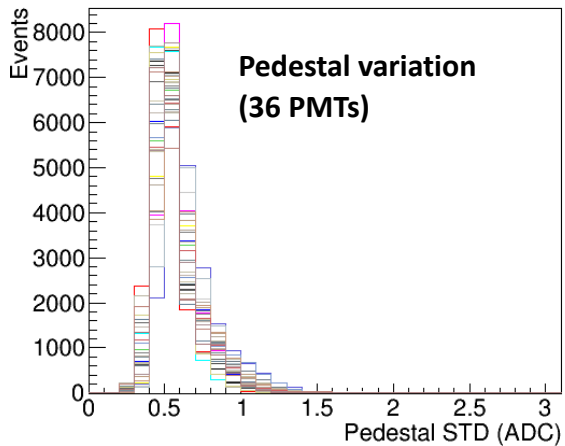
PMTs calibration with alternative system



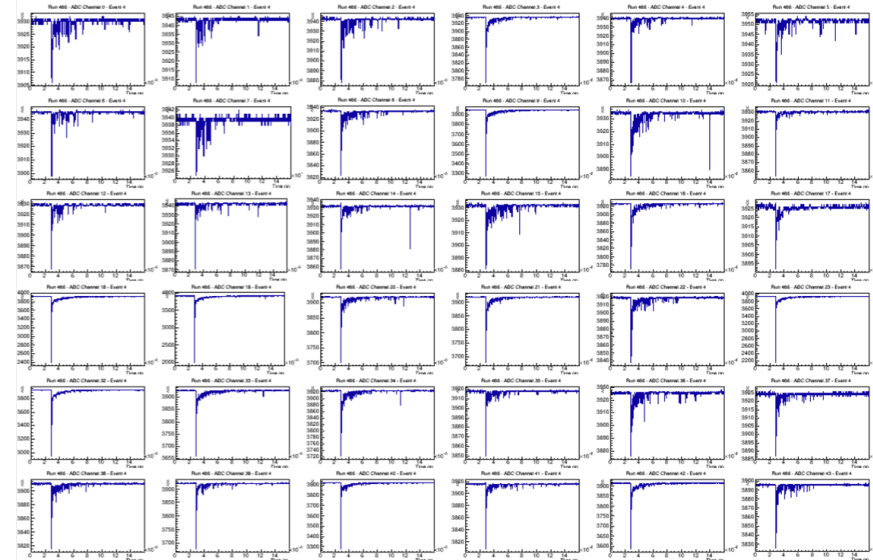
Data analysis: noise level

ongoing

- 36 PMTs are operative
- Very low noise level:
RMS = 0.6 ± 0.1 ADC



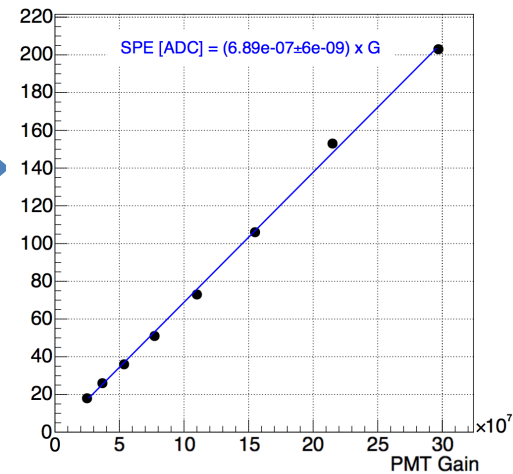
Coincident LAr scintillation light detected in 36 PMTs



< 16 ns
time
accuracy
among
channels

SPE amplitude (ADC) - FA0156

- SPE amplitude extracted from data in LAr vs PMT gain (S/N > 11 for SPE at G=1e7)
- Studying the SPE background level for different detector conditions

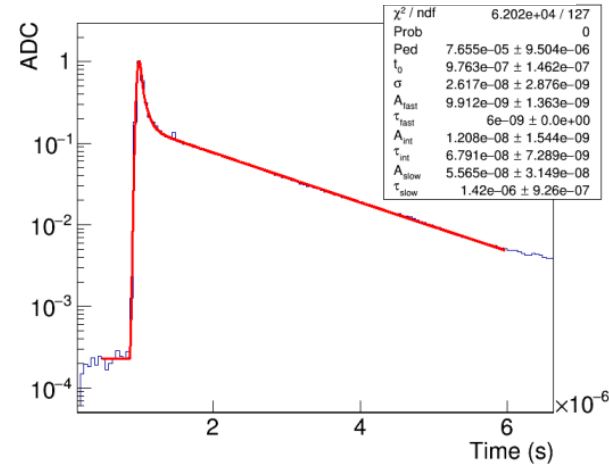


Data analysis: purity

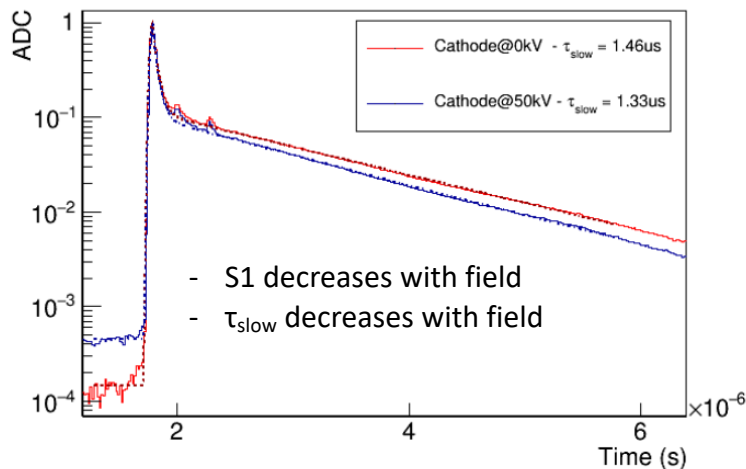
ongoing

- Cosmic muons produce scintillation light on LAr
- Scintillation profile can be obtained averaging waveforms
- No drift field is applied (full recombination of electrons)
- Fit: convolution of 1 gaussian with 3 exponentials
- τ_{slow} component is an indicator of LAr purity

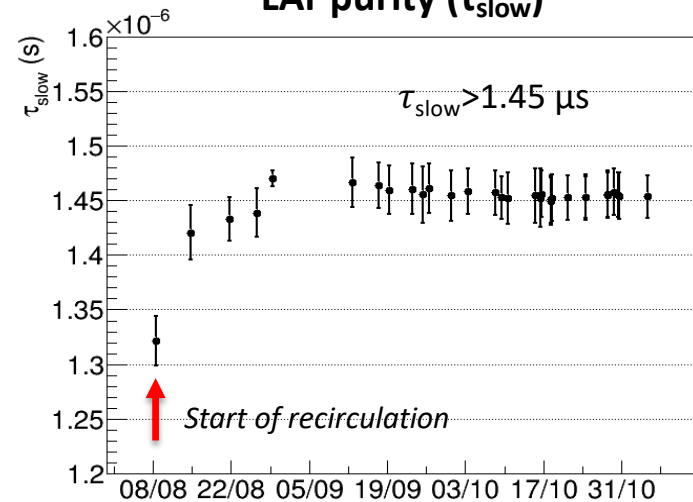
Scintillation light profile



Effect of drift field



LAr purity (τ_{slow})

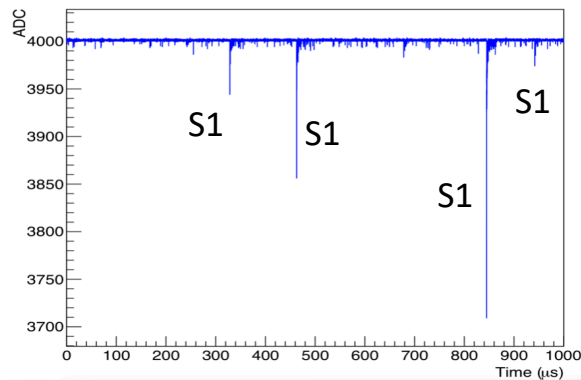


Data analysis: S1 signal

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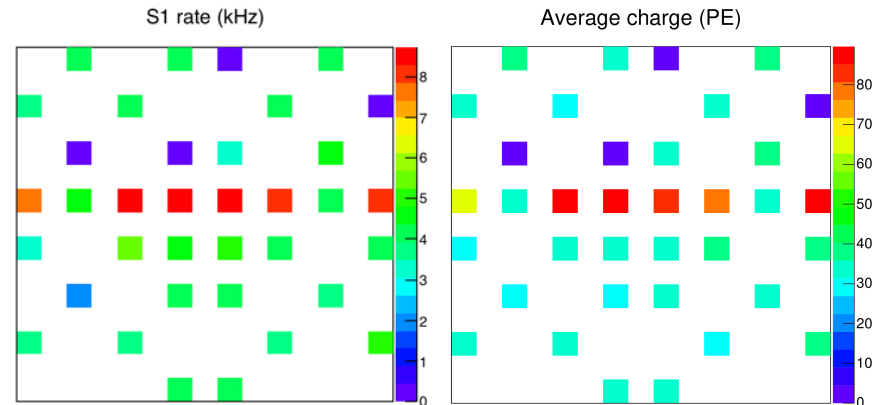
- **S1 identification:**

- Signal amplitude > 20 ADC (G $1e7$)
- No S1 considered during tau slow
- Integral: 96 ns around max (S1 fast)



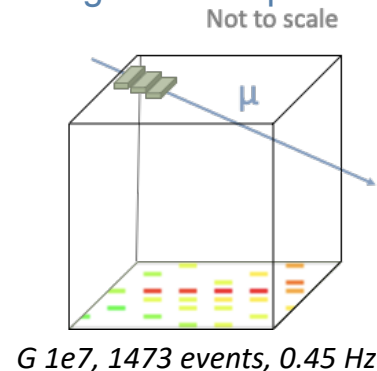
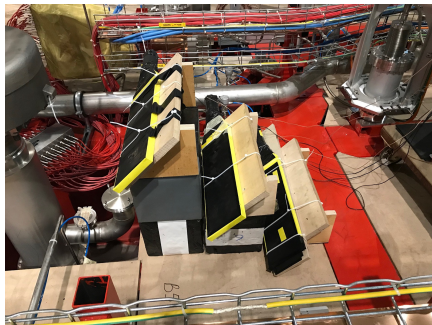
- **S1 rate (muon rate) preliminary:**

- Random trigger, PMTs at G $1e7$, no fields
- TPB PMTs: 8.3 ± 0.4 kHz
- PEN PMTs: 4.1 ± 0.7 kHz

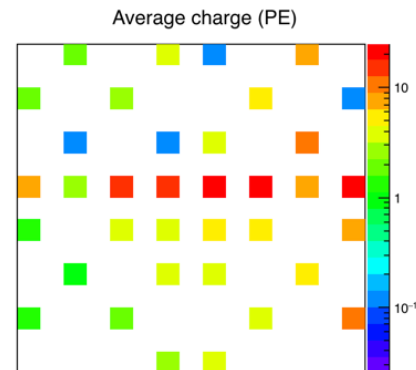


- Triggering with **external temporary scintillator panels**

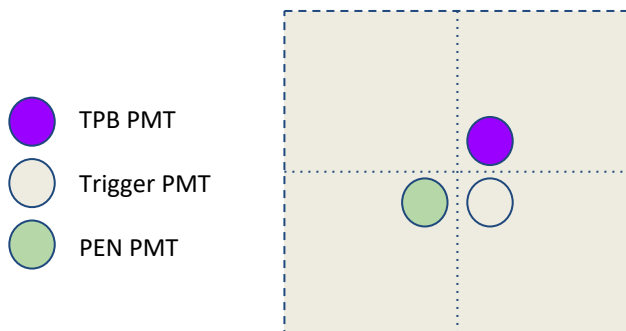
- All PMTs detect light following a certain pattern



G $1e7$, 1473 events, 0.45 Hz

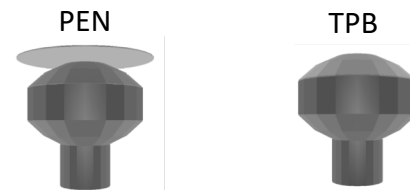
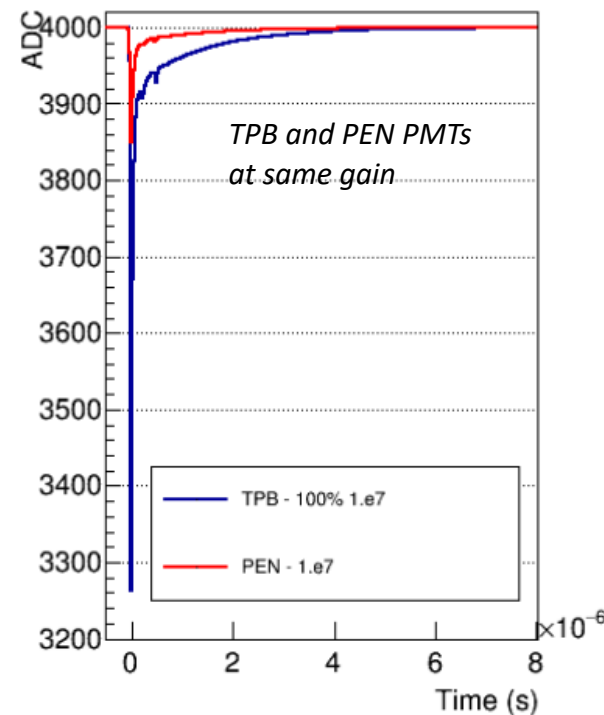


Data analysis: TPB/PEN WLS Performance



- Comparing the S1 amplitude of a PEN & TPB PMTs symmetrically placed in the detector and wrt trigger PMT
- The **average S1 amplitude** ratio:

$$\text{PEN/TPB} = \sim 10\text{-}20\%$$
- Considering the geometrical differences, the PEN conversion efficiency wrt TPB would be **$\sim 20\text{-}30\%$**
- A more detailed analysis on going: taking into account PMT non linearities

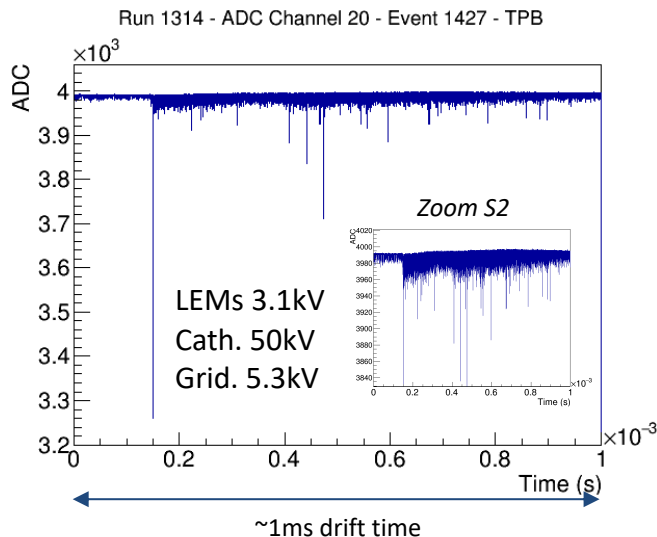


The TPB-coated PMT photocathode receives $\sim 35\%$ more photons due to the geometrical differences of the two systems

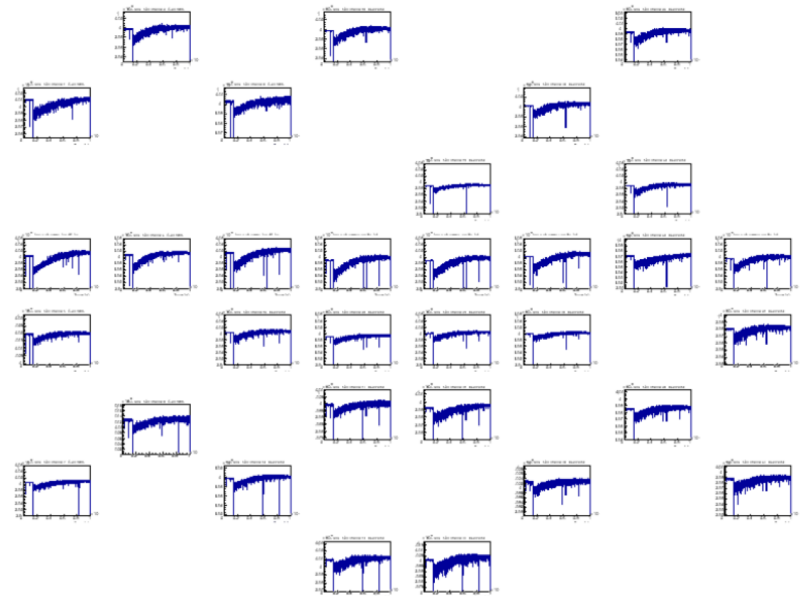
Data analysis: S2 signal

ongoing

- We are able to detect electroluminescence signals in all PMTs
- S2 has different time profile depending on track geometry:
 - S2 right after S1 for tracks crossing the liquid-gas interface
 - S2-S1 distance = electron drift distance
 - Long S2 for tracks crossing the drift length
 - Short S2 for horizontal tracks



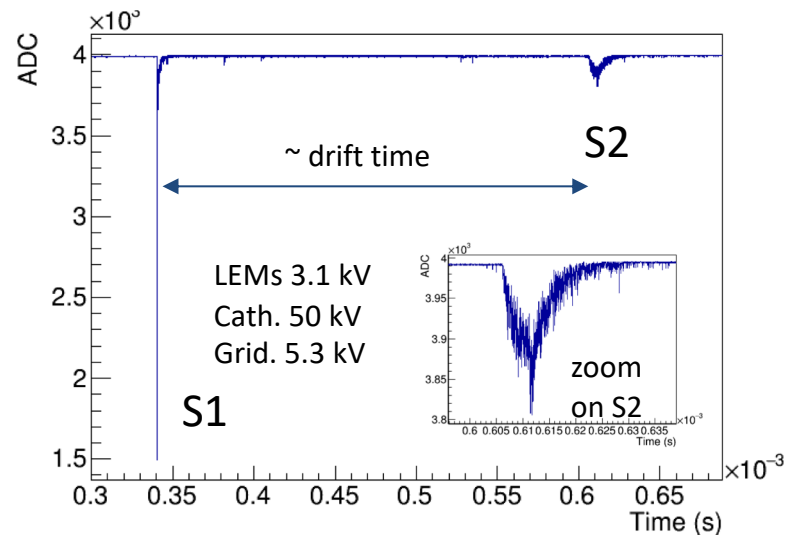
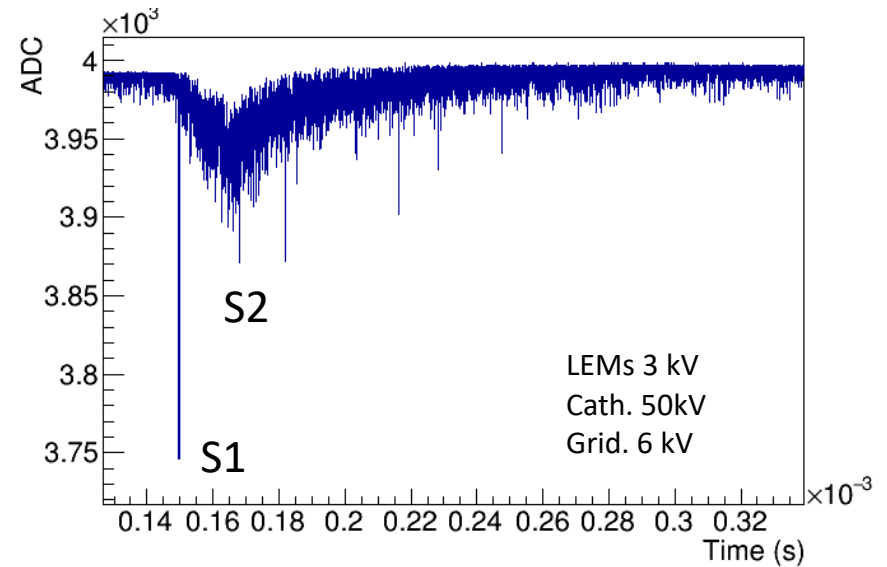
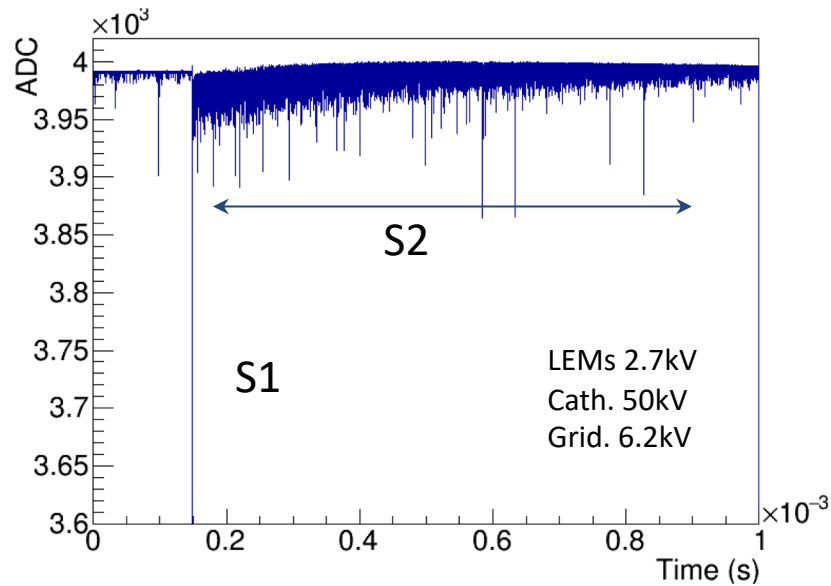
Electroluminescence light signals (S2) seen by all 36 PMTs (6 m away from PMTs)



**Not at the same scale: Larger zoom in PEN PMTs to appreciate S2
4 PMTs connected to the scope for monitoring sparks in grids-LEMs*

LEMs 2.7kV
Cath. 50kV
Grid. 6.2kV

S2 signal analysis ongoing



Improvements for next phase

- Operate the system in stable conditions with long runs (right now we are switching PMT HV ON-OFF several times per day)
 - Acquire more data in coincidence with charge readout (development of a combined analysis)
 - Data with new external muon panels
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- Data with 6m drift (measurement of the electron lifetime, S1-S2 signal correlation, ...)
 - Test TPB reflective foils to improve the light detector response uniformity
 - TPB stability tests
 - Reduce signal reflections/overshoots