



Zero degree calorimeter Conceptual design

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SPD



SPIN PHYSICS DETECTOR

ZDC in collider experiments



Outline

0. Introduction:

- ZDC = neutron, γ detection at $|\eta| \geq 8.5$ (characteristics, status ...).

1 Accelerator physics [pp, pA, AA]:

- Luminosity monitoring/calibration, beam-tuning, IP5 crossing angle.

2 High-energy nuclear physics [pA, AA]:

- Online: minimum bias trigger, vertex.
- Global event characterization: centrality, reaction-plane.
- Absolute luminosity (via EM dissociation).

3 Diffractive physics [pp, pA, AA]:

- $IP+IP$: Tagging of rapidity gaps in central hard diffraction.
- $\gamma+A$: Neutron-tagging of central hard QCD γ -production.
- $\gamma+\gamma$: Neutron-tagging of QED processes.

~~4 UHE cosmic ray physics [pp, pA, AA].~~

- ~~- Calibration of >100 -PeV forward hadronic cascade development.~~

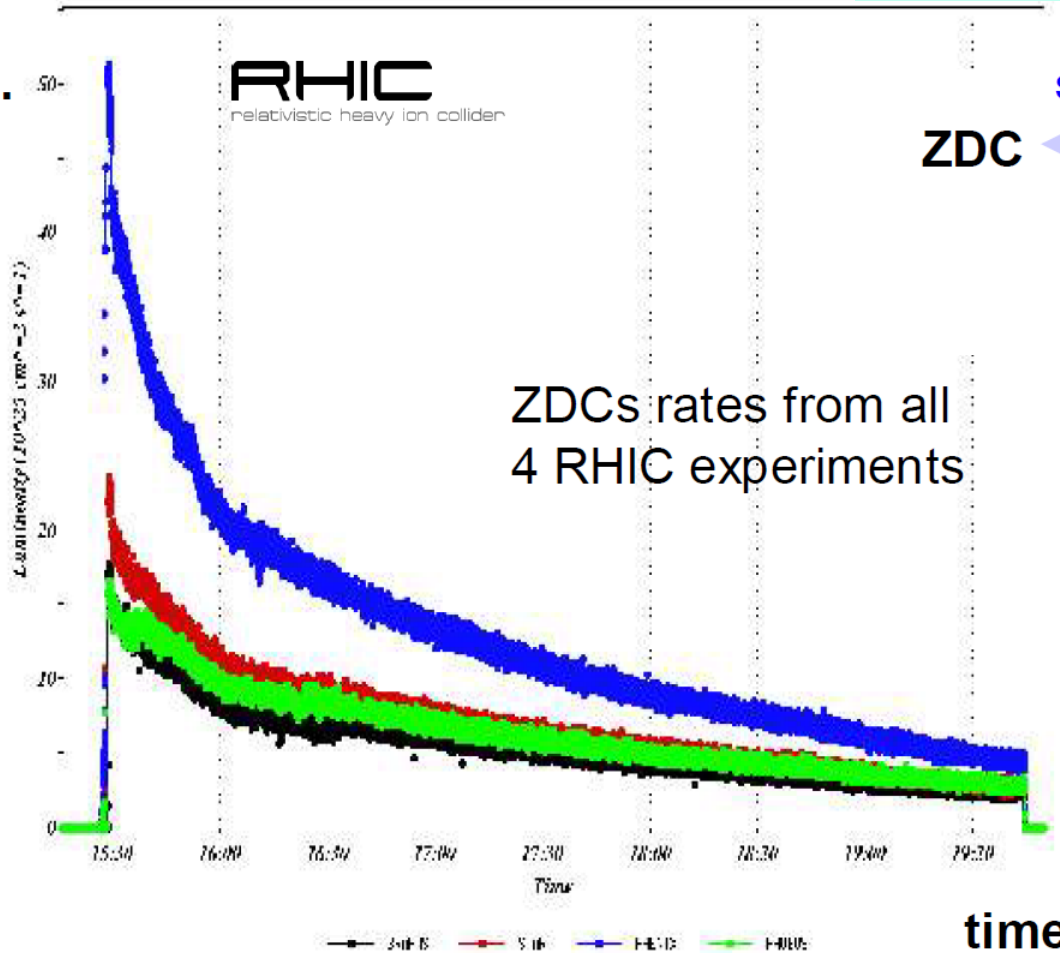
+ Local polarimetry

Accelerator luminosity monitor



Main monitor at RHIC

ZDC
Coincid.
Rate



Spectators

ZDC



Spectators

ZDC

- pp and pA and AA
- Collisions tuning
- Flattop history
- Vernier scans – beam size at IP measurements
- Beam crossing angle measurements

AA and pA min. bias. trigger and centrality

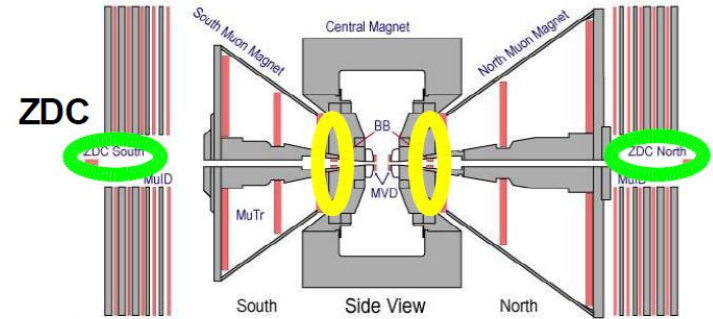


- Basic min. bias AA, pA trigger at RHIC:

BBC ($3 < |\eta| < 4$) && ZDC ($|\theta| < 2$ mrad)
 [also vertex: $z = c \cdot (t_{\text{left}} - t_{\text{right}})$]

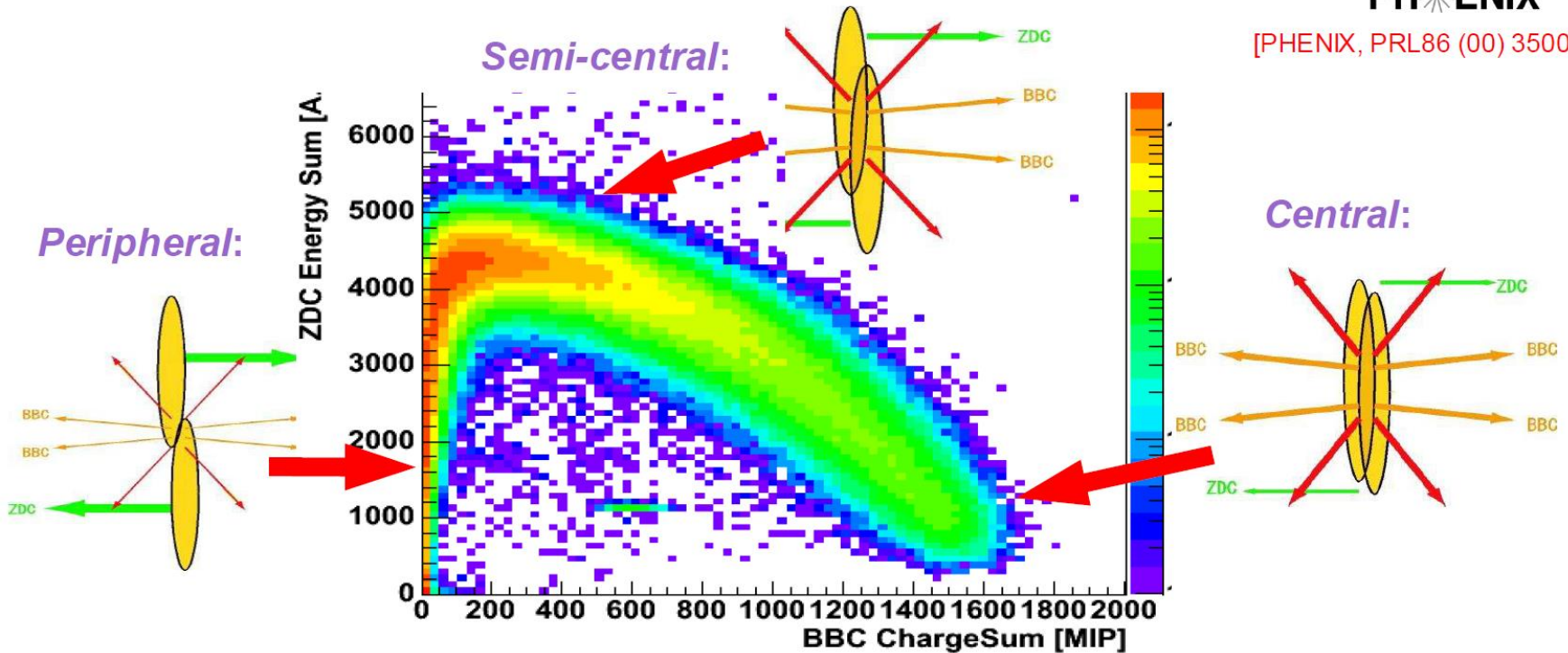
- Impact-parameter (b) determination:

Directly related to max. energy density reached



PHENIX

[PHENIX, PRL86 (00) 3500]

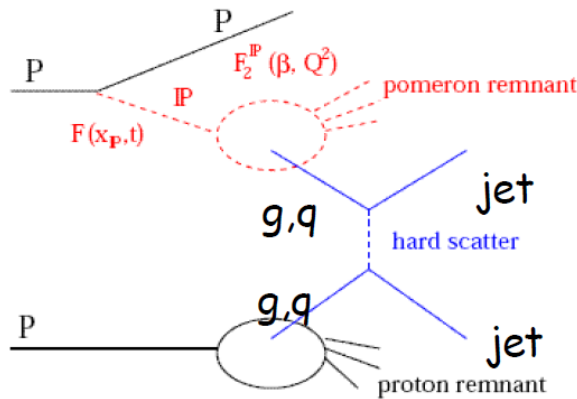


- + Event by event reaction plane determination
- + **Absolute** luminosity in Electromagnetic dissociation

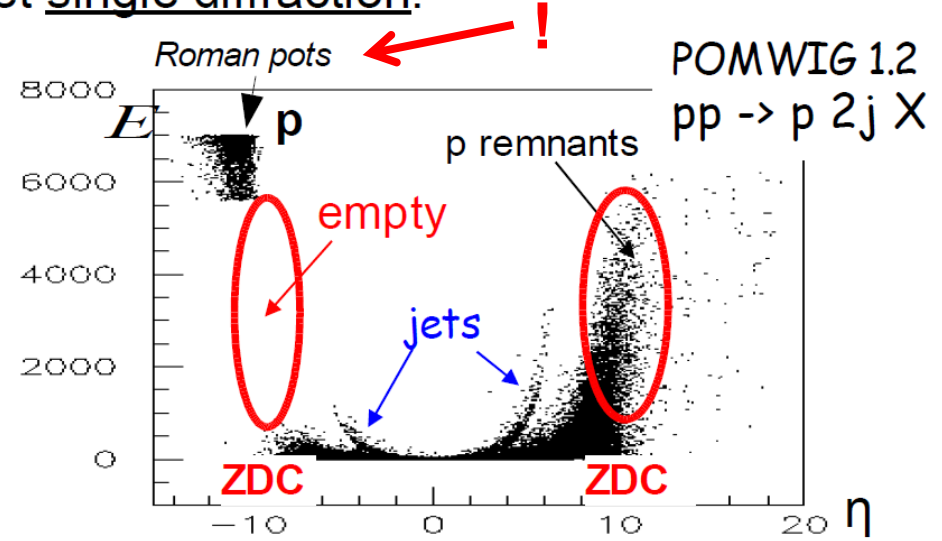
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- No ZDC activity = large rapidity gap. **Complements** (trigger & offline) **leading proton detectors** e.g. in dijet single diffraction:



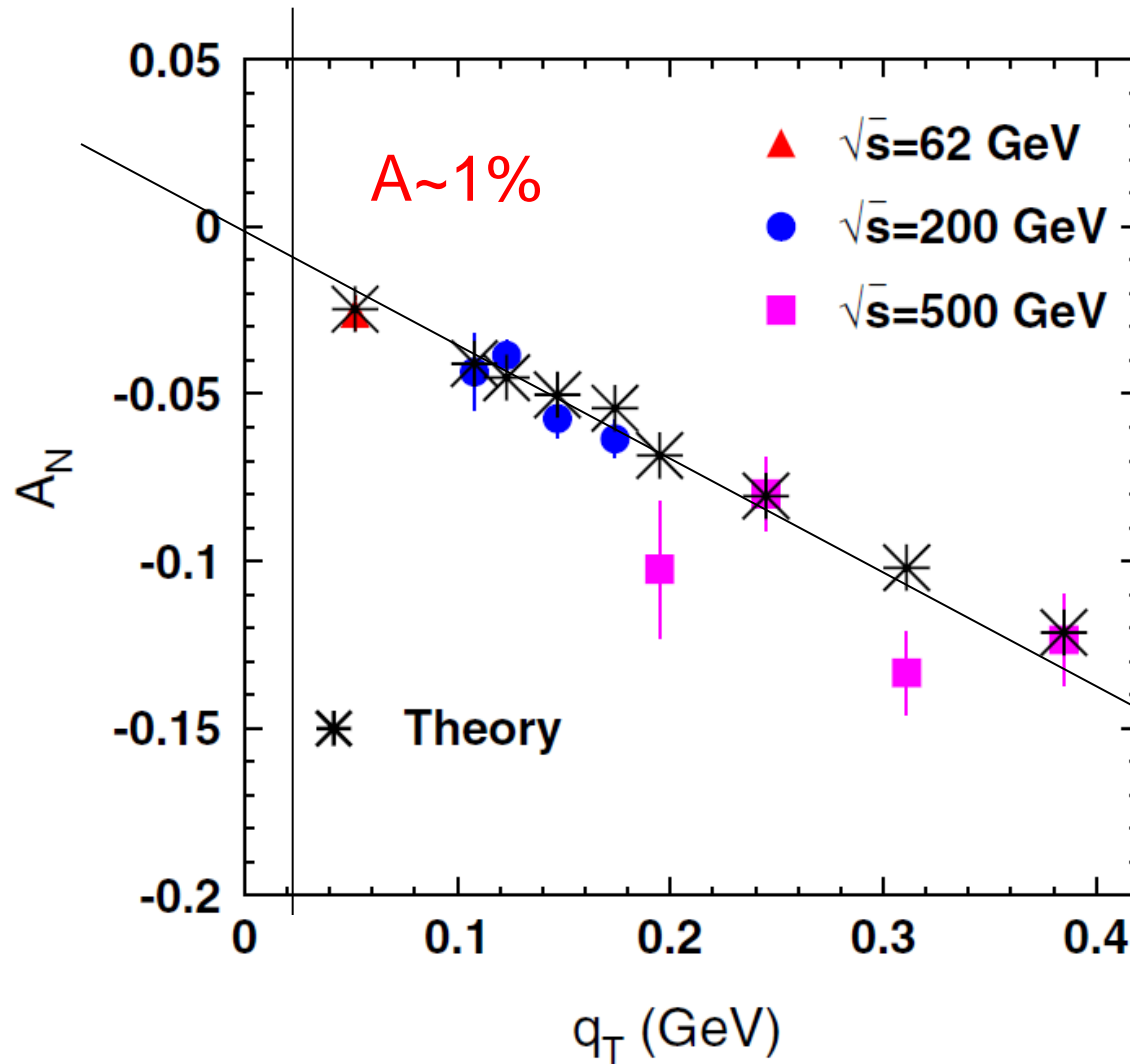
[from A.Sobol
CMS, Feb'06]



- Bottom line: ZDC reduces to “zero” holes & cracks in CMS (full 4π). **Helps all diffractive** (IP -, γ -mediated) **analysis** in pp,pA,AA.

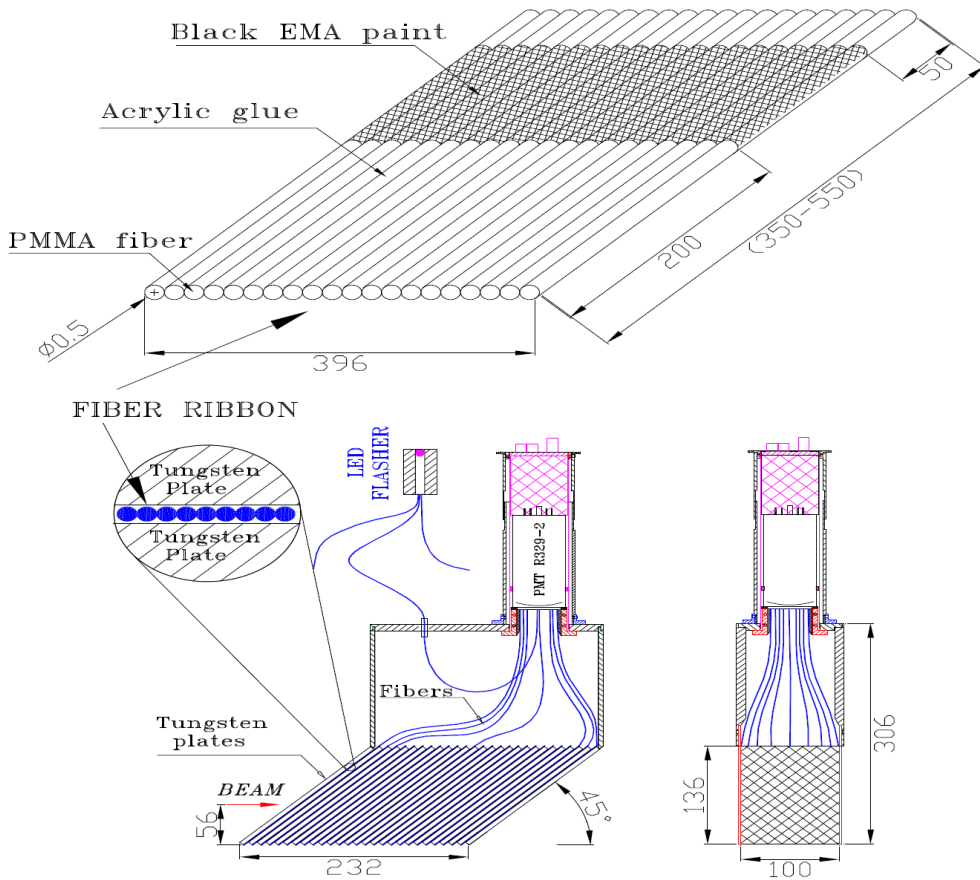
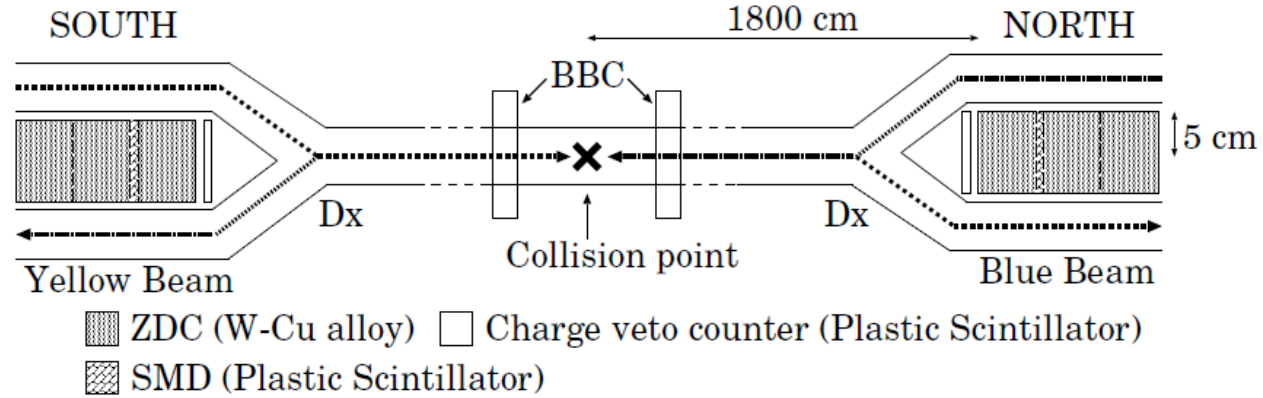
➤ All UPC measurements at RHIC: **ZDC-triggered (neutron tagging) !**

Local polarimetry



We need a huge statistics, but it does not look impossible

The technology

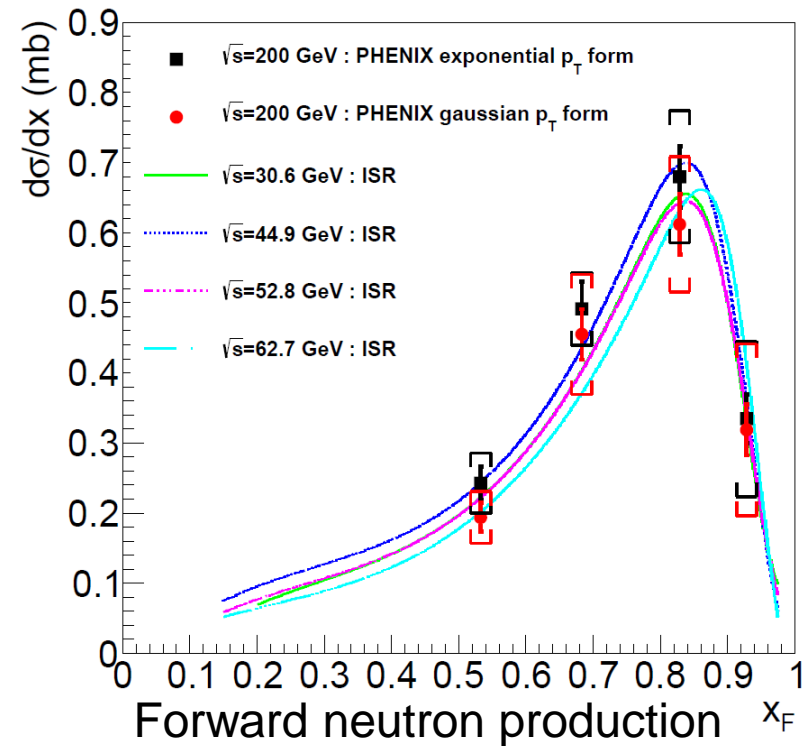


ZDC: sampling Cerenkov calorimeter
~1 ph.e./GeV

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \frac{65\%}{\sqrt{E \text{ (GeV)}}} + 15\%$$

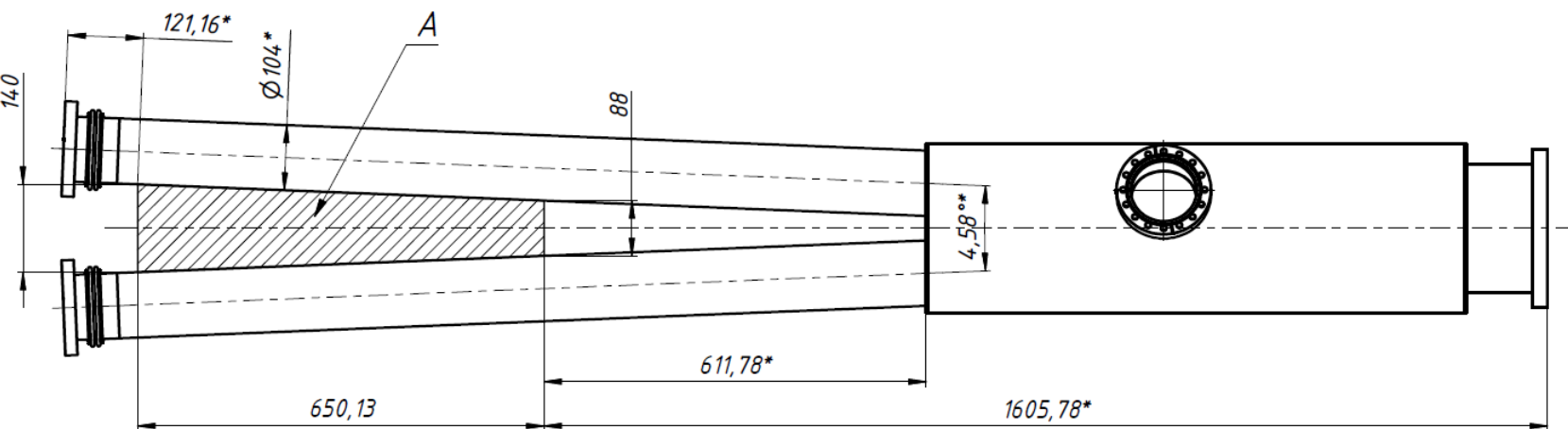
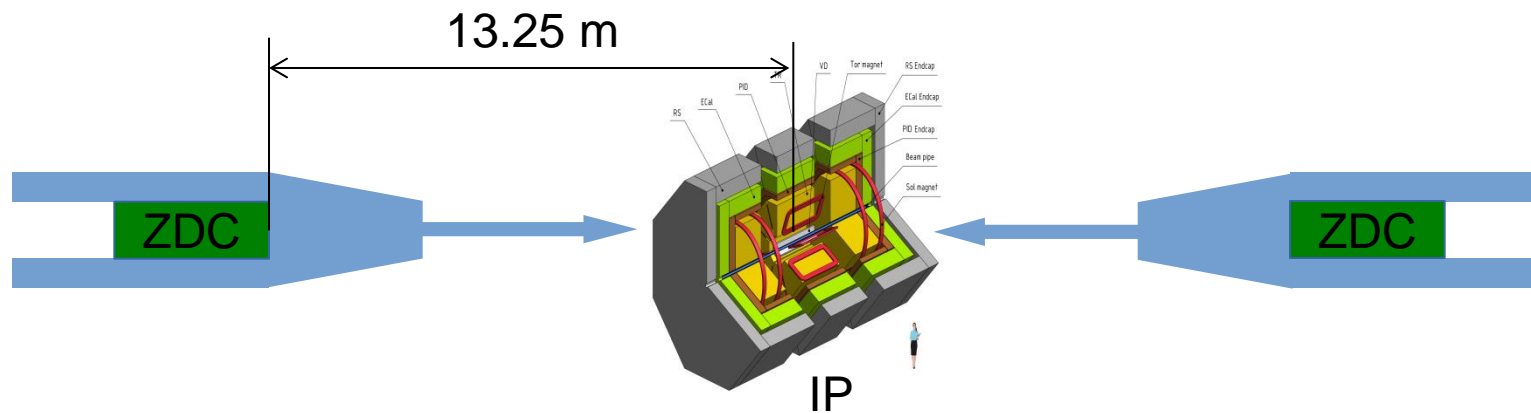
Radiation hardness

- Design goals:
 - PHENIX 100 krad
 - CMS 20 Grad
- HAMAMATSU SiPM:
 - 10^{11} n/cm² – working
 - 10^{12} n/cm² – practical limit
- Number of neutrons going from IP is not large – main problem beam halo etc.



From IP for SPD@ NICA:
 pp diffractive cone: e^{-Bt}
 $B \sim 16 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
 Size at 13 m $\sim 25 \text{ cm}$
 or $S \sim 2000 \text{ cm}^2$
 $\sigma \sim 0.3 \text{ mb}$
 $L \sim 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ c}^{-1}$
 $N \sim 60 \text{ kHz} \sim 30 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ c}^{-1}$
 or $\sim 10^9 \text{ year}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

Position



1. *Размеры для справок.
2. A - область возможного размещения Zero degree calorimeter.



Main tasks

- Time tagging of the events for event selection;
- Luminosity measurement;
- Local polarimetry with forward neutrons;
- Spectator neutron tagging.

Requirements:

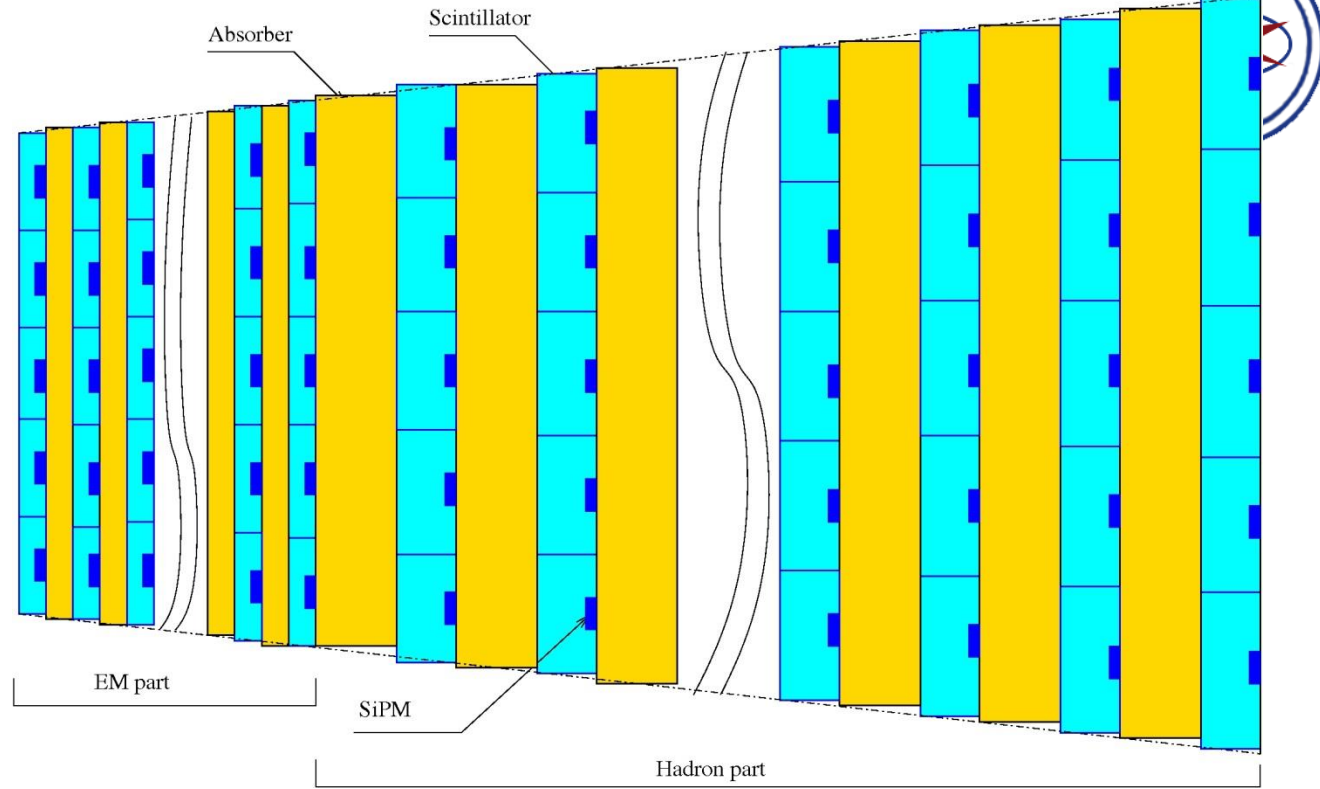
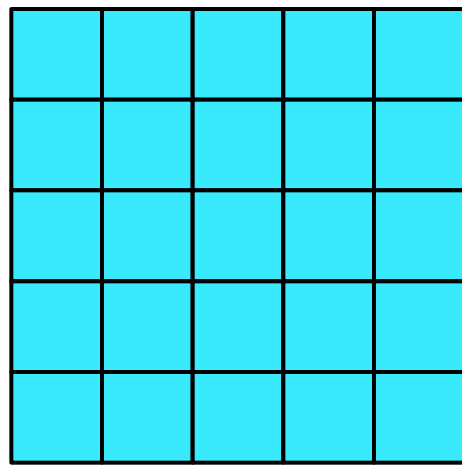
- ✓ Time resolution 150-200 ps;
- ✓ Energy resolution for neutrons $50-60\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 8-10\%$;
- ✓ Neutron entry point geometry resolution 10 mm;
- ✓ Neutron to gamma discrimination.

Questions:

Do we have enough space ?

Can we obtain the time resolution ?

Concept



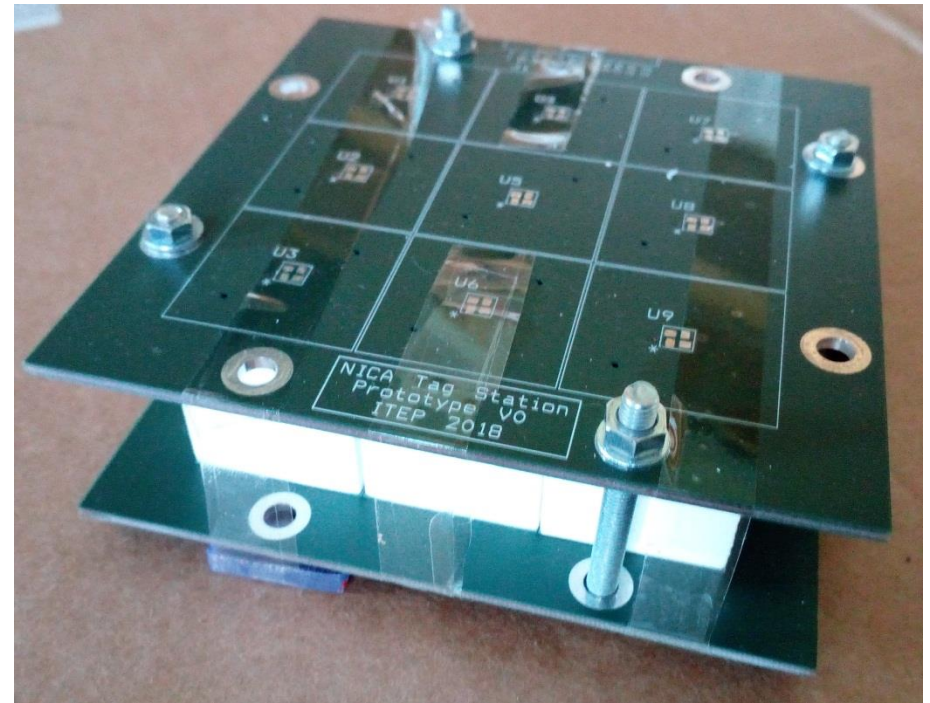
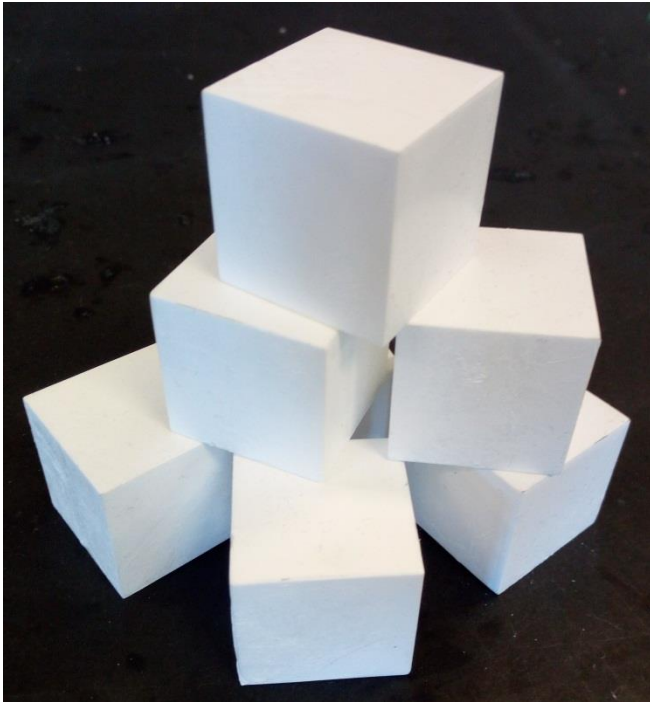
- Sampling calorimeter with fine segmentation, 5x5 matrix.
- SiPM light readout
- About 1000 channels
- Optimization based on MC and measurements with prototype is required
- Readout system based on electronics designed for the DANSS neutrino experiment at Kalininskaya NPP, modified to 500 MSPS digitization.



Time resolution test

Average energy deposit per tile ~ 6 MeV

- Plain: 3x3 scintillator cubes $3 \times 3 \times 3$ cm³ each
- 3X3 mm² SENSL 30050 SiPM (2668 pixels)
- Whitened cubes with direct readout



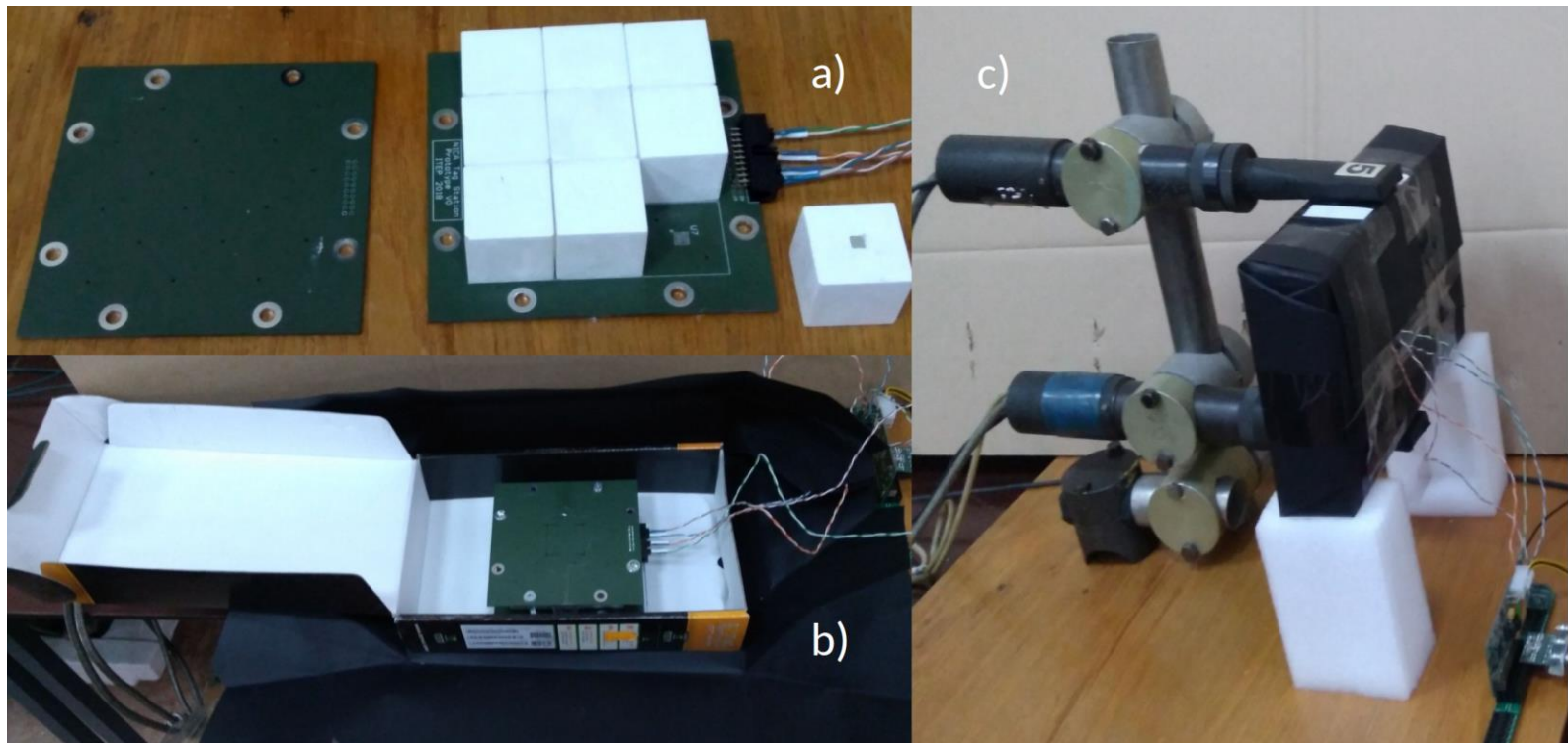


Test layout

DANSS SiPM power and preamplifier board

Two types of digitization:

- ✓ Tektronix TDS3054B scope with 5 Gsampl/s
- ✓ DANSS with 125 Msampl/s WFD, but a large dynamic range



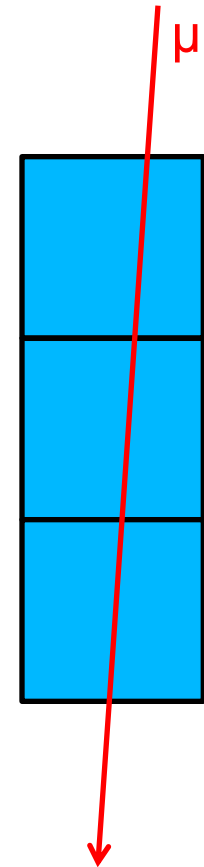
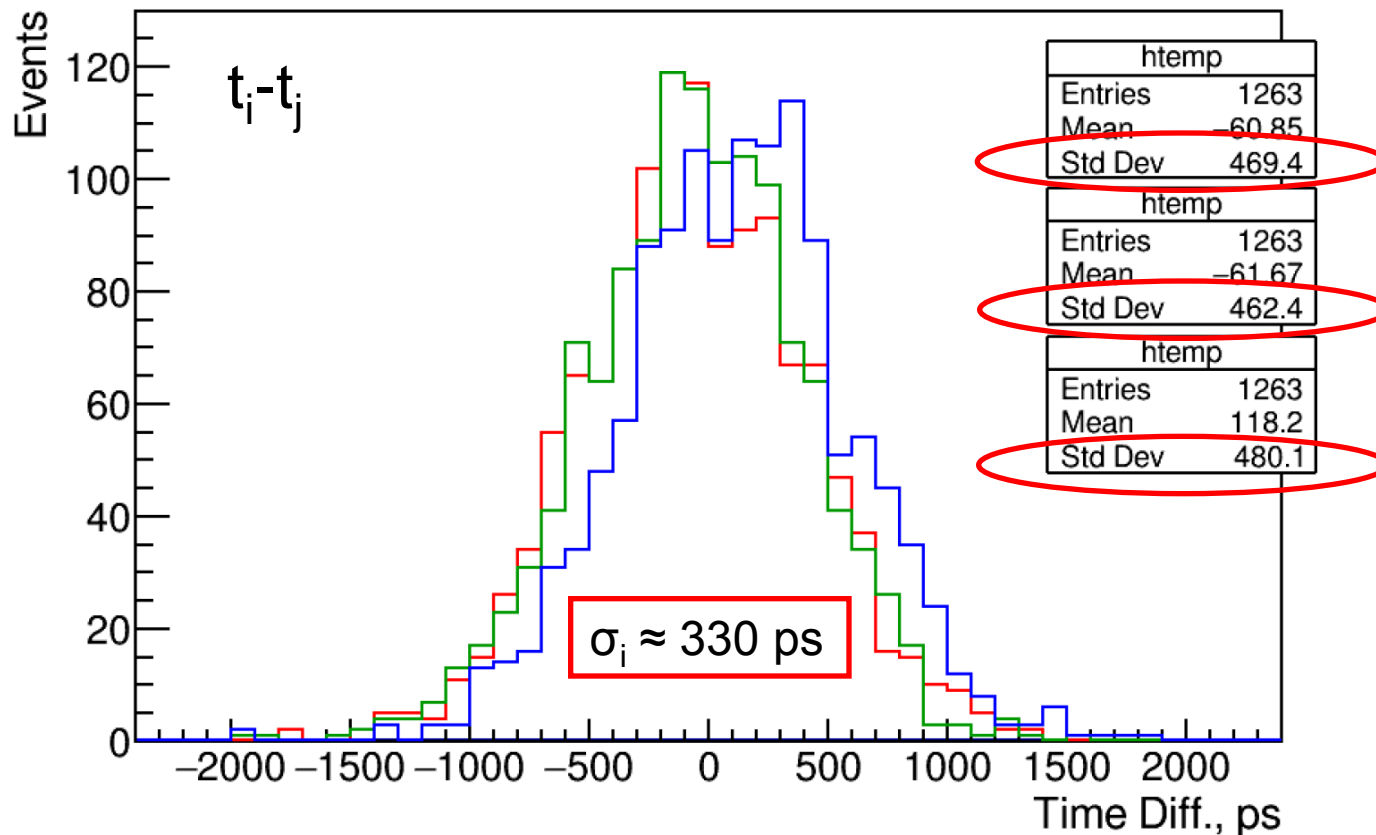
Test results



Hardware trigger on the central cube.

Light collection ~ 120 ph.e./MIP or ~ 20 ph.e./MeV

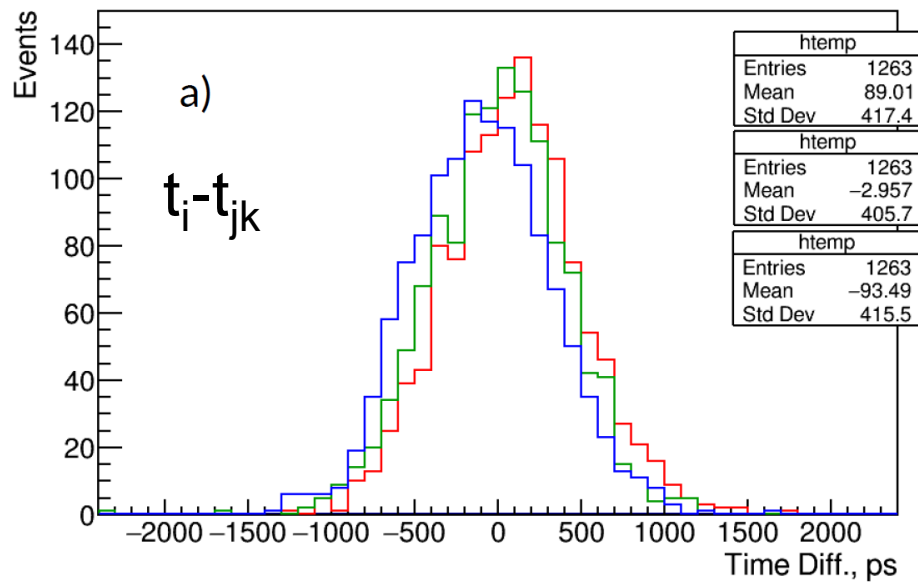
Software trigger – amplitude in all 3 cubes in the MIP region



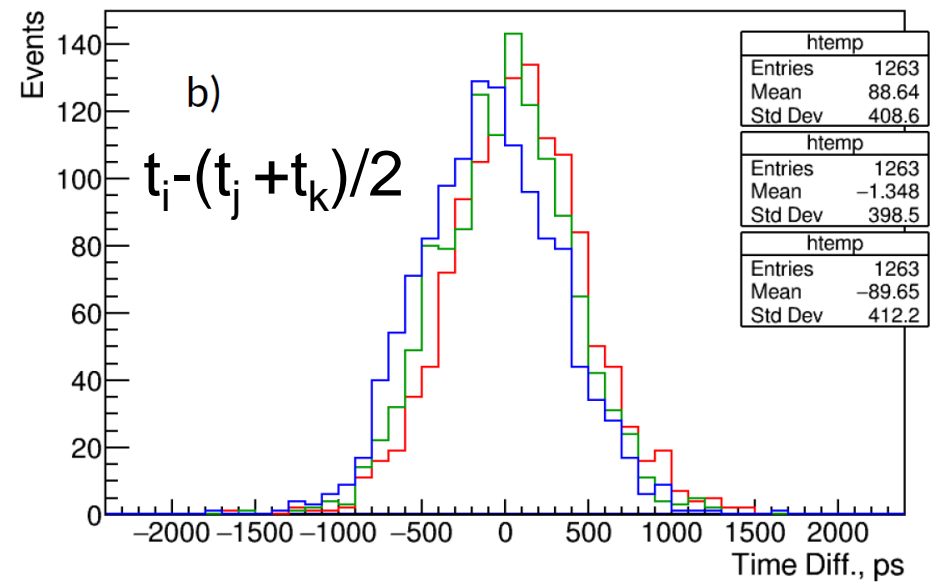


Propagation to calorimeter

- Both methods are working
- Time resolution scales $\sim 1/\sqrt{E}$
- Aim of 200 ps could be reached at ~ 160 MeV particle energy



Use sum of digitized signals



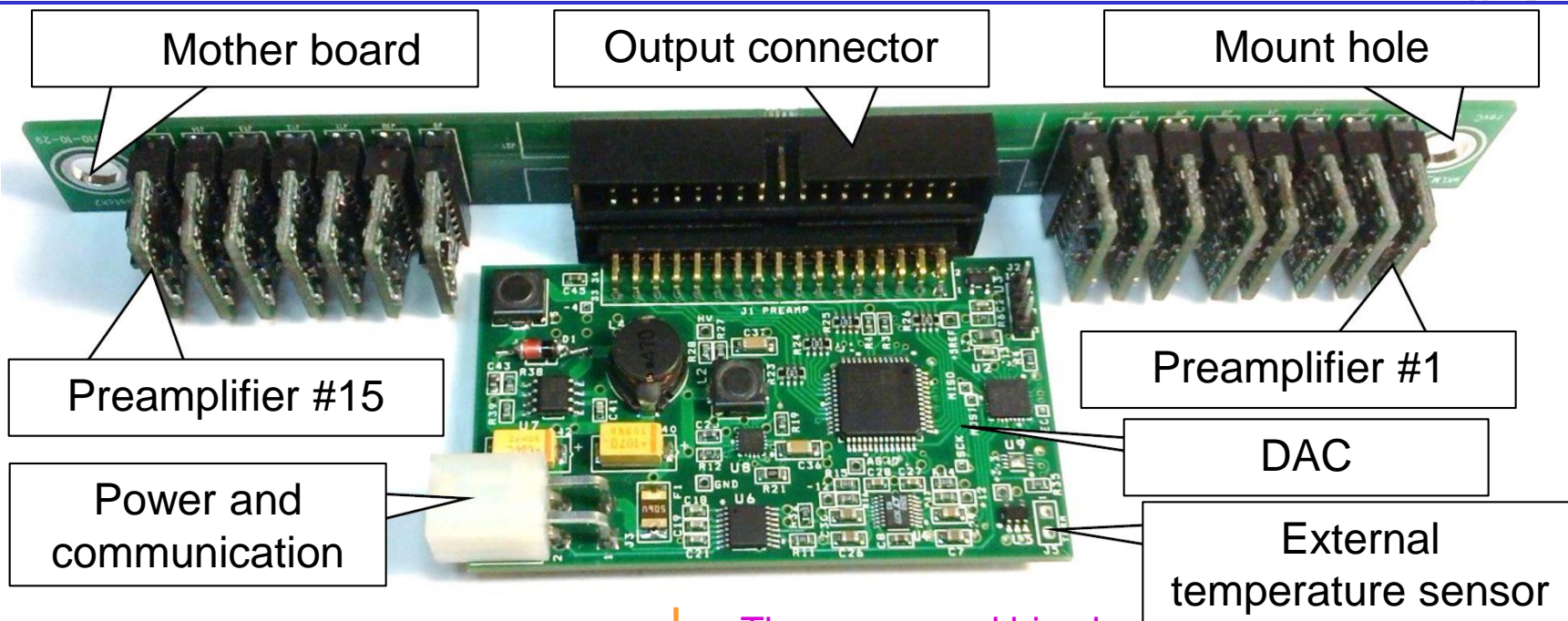
Use average time



Conclusions

- ❑ ZDC calorimeter is a standard device **required** for collider experiment success (tagging, luminosity, local polarimetry)
- ❑ ZDCs are installed in ALL operating IPs at RHIC and LHC
- ❑ The concept of a sampling calorimeter with plastic scintillator and fine segmentation and SiPM readout is very promising
- ❑ The test with cosmic muons demonstrated that the time resolution can be reached
- ❑ See details on the energy and space resolution simulations in the next talk

SiPM bias and preamplifiers



The mother board (18x180 mm²) hosts:

- 15 preamplifiers
- Power and bias board
- Output connector

The power and bias board provides:

- Power for preamplifiers and its control
- Common cathode voltage for SiPMs, its precise setting and measurement in the range 10-65 V
- Setting and monitoring of the individual anode voltages in the range $\pm 10V$
- Readout of common bias current
- Readout of the external temperature sensor as well as onboard CPU and DAC temperatures

64-channel WFD



Input connectors

Trigger connector

Ethernet connector

Input amplifiers

To be modified for 500 MSPS operation

125 MSPS ADCs

1 Gbit/s ethernet PHY

4 Gbit SDRAM memory

Channel analysis FPGAs

Communication FPGA

VMEx64 connectors

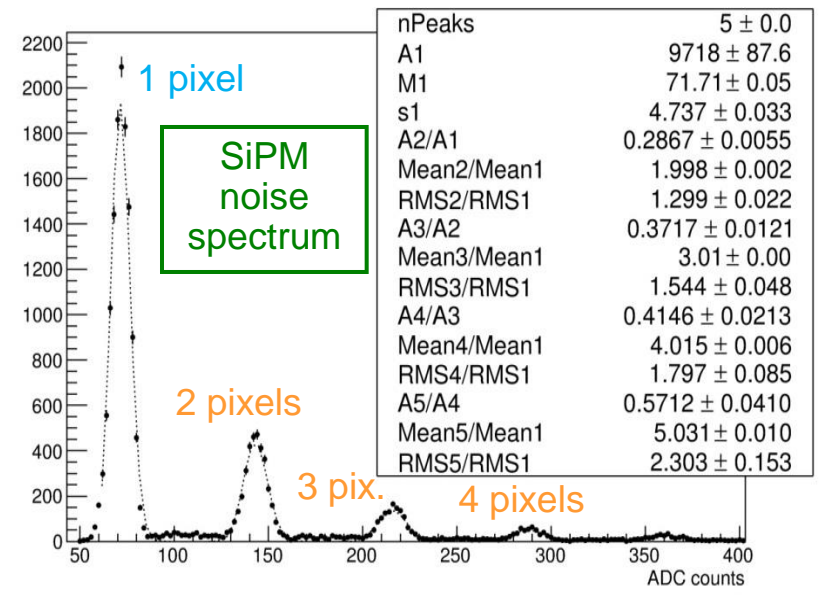
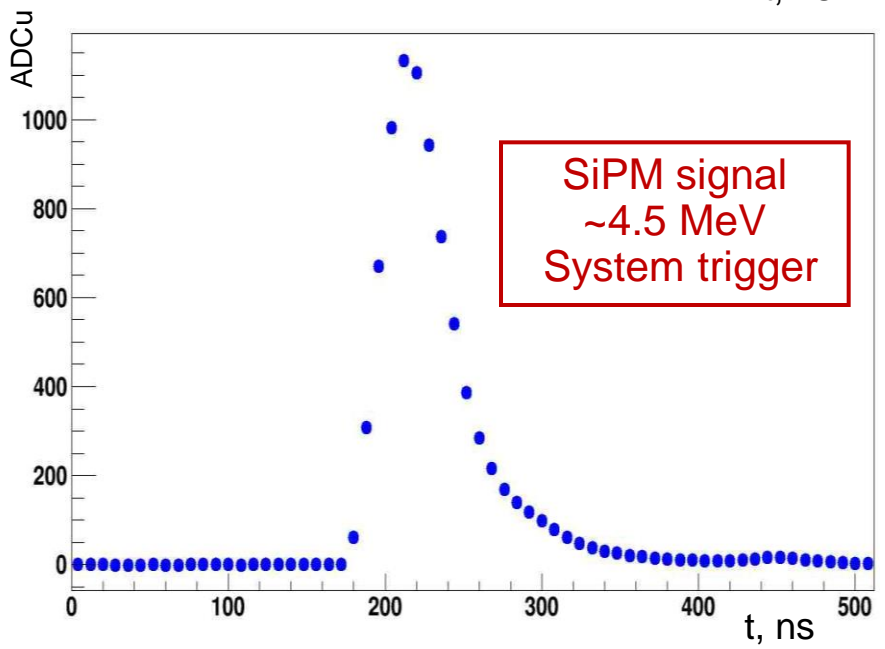
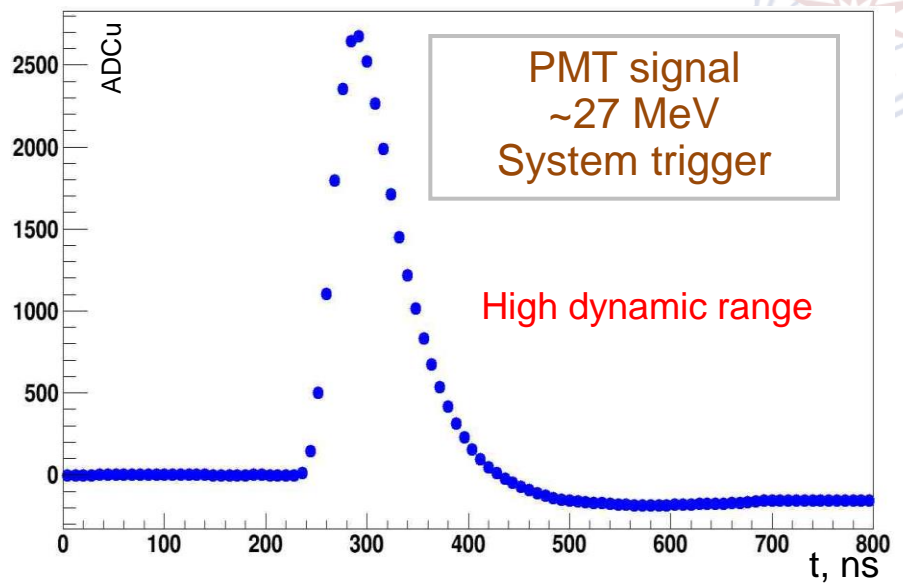
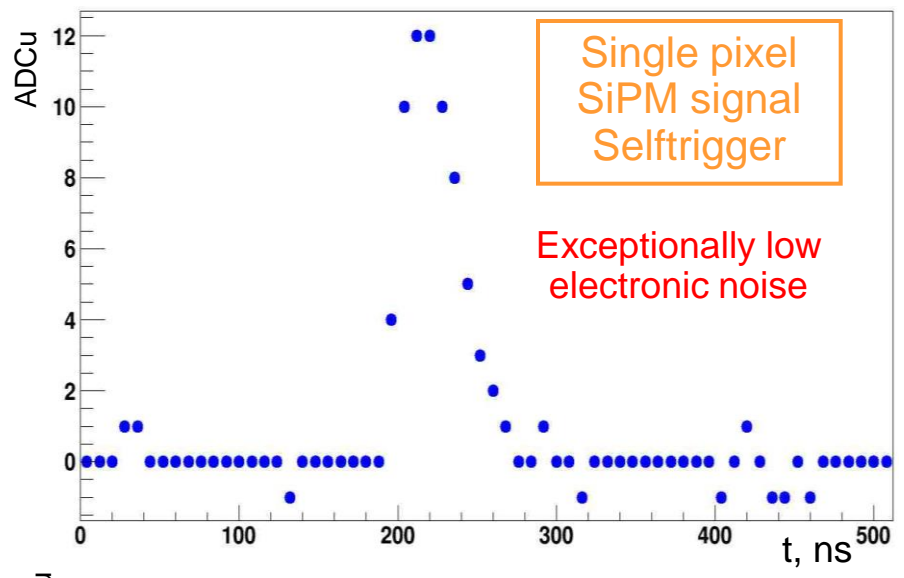
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- ▶ 64 channels of 125 MSPS 12 bit flash ADCs
 - **16 channels of 500 MSPS**
- ▶ VME 64x standard 6U single slot width board
- ▶ 64-bit block transfer support
- ▶ Xilinx Spartan-6 FPGAs for digital signal processing and communication
- ▶ 4 Gbit of SDRAM for data storage
- ▶ 1 Gbit Ethernet connection for faster readout
- ▶ Multitrigger and triggerless operation
- ▶ Base line subtraction and zero suppression for wave form storage
- ▶ Selftrigger with prescale for SiPM noise measurements
- ▶ Internal or external clock operation
- ▶ Deadtimeless operation

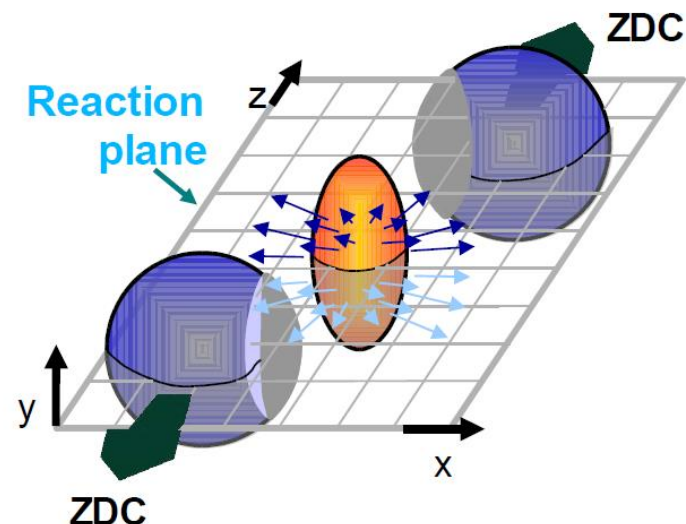
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2018, Vol. 61, No. 3, pp. 349–354.

Performance at DANSS

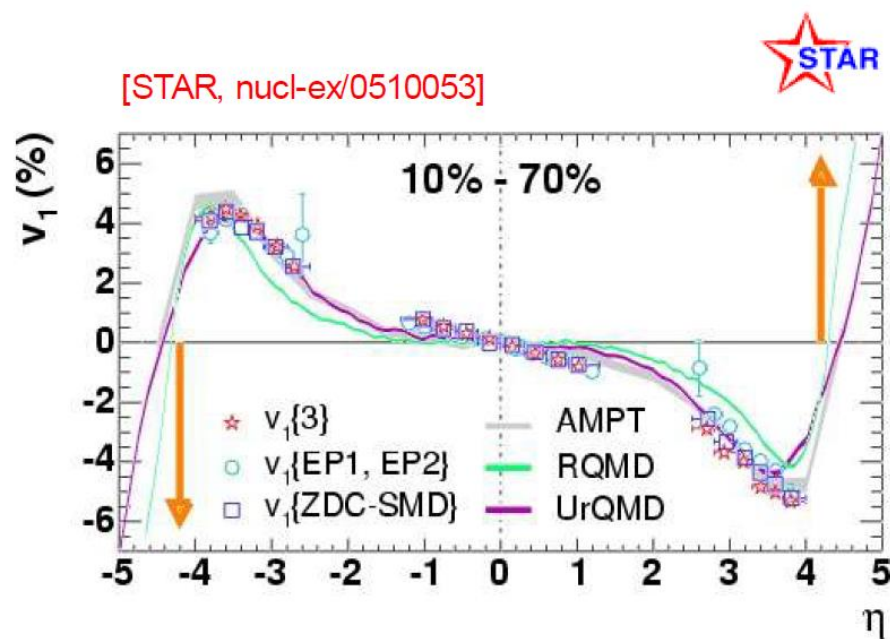
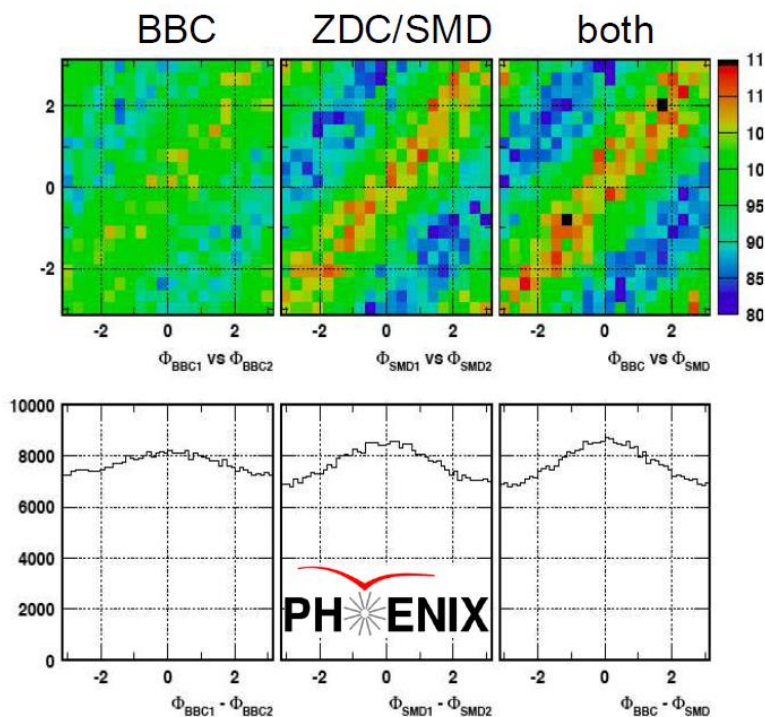


(2.2) AA reaction-plane determination

- Event-by-event reaction plane obtained from **sidewards deflection of spectator neutrons** (“bounce-off”):
- **Elliptic flow** directly related to initial **parton pressure**.

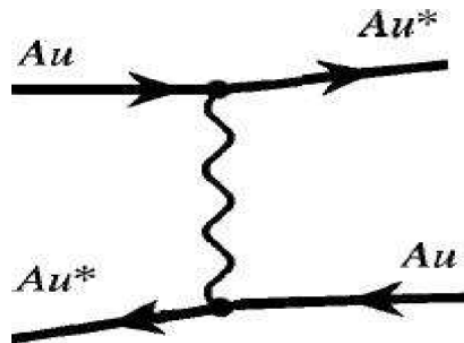


Directed flow v_1 is largest at ZDC location:



(2.3) pA, AA absolute luminosity

- Reference process: **Electromagnetic dissociation** (plus forw./back. neutron emission) computable within ~5%:



Hadronic: AuAu → X

EM:

AuAu → AuAu + e⁺e⁻

AuAu → AuAu + 2(e⁺e⁻)

AuAu → Au+Au*

↳ X+neutrons

AuAu → Au*+Au*

↳ X+neutrons

↳ Y+neutrons

RHIC

6.8 barns

33 kbarns

680 barns

92 barns

3.67±0.26 b

LHC

8 barns

220 barns

~6.7 barns

AuAu: Baltz&White [NIMA 417 (98) 1]

dAu: Klein&Vogt [PRC 68 (03) 017902]

TABLE I. Ratios of cross sections for experiment and theory. The values of σ_{tot} and σ_{geom} are in barns.

σ_i	PHENIX	PHOBOS	BRAHMS	[3]	[4]
σ_{tot}}	...	...	...	10.8 ± 0.5	11.2
σ_{geom}}	...	...	...	7.1	7.3
$\frac{\sigma_{\text{geom}}}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}$	0.661 ± 0.014	0.658 ± 0.028	0.68 ± 0.06	0.67	0.659
$\frac{\sigma(1,X)}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}$	0.117 ± 0.004	0.123 ± 0.011	0.121 ± 0.009	0.125	0.139
$\frac{\sigma(1,1)}{\sigma(1,X)}$	0.345 ± 0.012	0.341 ± 0.015	0.36 ± 0.02	0.329	...
$\frac{\sigma(2,X)}{\sigma(1,X)}$	0.345 ± 0.014	0.337 ± 0.015	0.35 ± 0.03	...	0.327
$\frac{\sigma(1,1)}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}$	0.040 ± 0.002	0.042 ± 0.003	0.044 ± 0.004	0.041 ± 0.002	...

M.Chiu et al. [PRL 89 (02)012302]

