# Magnetic Field Testing at Argonne National Laboratory

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### Three LAPPDs at a Solenoid Magnet

- Two stripline LAPPDs
  - o 118, 20 um
  - o 89, 10 um
  - $\circ$  One capacitively-coupled LAPPD: 126
- Magnetic field strength: 0.02 T to 1.4 T
- Stronger fields are possible with a modification of the dark box frame
- Dark box
  - o Aluminum case
  - Laser input fixed in the center near the bottom on the centerline of the solenoid when the LAPPD is vertical.
- Rotation in the magnetic field:
  - LAPPD tips into or out of the region of stronger magnetic field
- Data products
  - $\circ$  Gain
  - o Position
  - $\circ$  Position resolution
  - o Transit Time Spread
  - $\circ \quad \text{Afterpulse rate} \\$



## Magnetic Field Orientation

- A solenoidal magnetic field should be parallel to the interior walls of the magnet while inside the bore
- The field should curve away from the center line outside the magnet.
- Along the outside the magnet, the field has periodic N and S orientation – some type of active field control
- At ANL, the N direction is into the magnet





## High Voltages

- Five high voltages
  - Two separate MCP current circuits
  - Maximum current delivery
- Initial tests of LAPPD 118 and then LAPPD 89 were restricted by the current capacity of the ANL ISeg HV supplies
- A higher current Caen N1470 was used to finish LAPPD 89 and LAPPD 126 testing







#### Gain vs. Magnetic Field Strength, B || P/C e-

- LAPPDs were pushed toward the solenoid and stronger magnetic field in steps
- B Field was measured with a gaussmeter at each step, ٠ units of kGauss
- 1 T = 10 kGauss
- Earth's field is 0.5 Gauss ٠
- The gain decreased with increasing magnetic field strength.
- Gain could be recovered with a higher MCP voltage.
- Dark rates decreased even in the 0.02 T field (200 ٠ Gauss, 400x Earth's field)

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### High Voltage and Signal Connections

- Three strips, both ends were brought out to a Caen DT5742 DRS\_4 waveform sampler.
- Five high voltages were brought in.
- Excellent pulse waveforms from the stripline LAPPDs.



High voltage interior cables Unused striplines grounded to SMA shields, both sides





Rotation – discrete positions set with holes

#### Gain vs. Rotation Angle: LAPPD 118

- Gain decreases as the LAPPD is rotated, and the B field is no longer parallel to photoelectron motion.
- Electron landing zone on the anode **moves** with relative B angle



#### Position on the Stripline LAPPD

- Position along striplines: derived from relative arrival time of pulses at each end of the strip – timing leads to position resolution.
- Position across striplines: derived from centroid of charge on each strip. Pitch drives resolution.



Electron flight path **is** deviated if electric field is perpendicular to magnetic field

#### Gain vs. Rotation Angle: LAPPD 118

- Pulse height distributions show motion of electrons from one strip to another ٠
- Striplines are in and out of the page ٠
- Motion of electrons appears to be perpendicular to strips, instead of parallel to strip position ٠ data





Strip -10 0.02

Center strip (-9)

100.0

10.0

0.1

Strip -9

Strip -8





5.0×10<sup>6</sup> 1.0×10<sup>7</sup> 1.5×10<sup>7</sup> 2.0×10<sup>7</sup> 2.5×10<sup>7</sup> 3.0×10<sup>7</sup> Gain at Field Angle 30.0000 deg

Adjacent strip on

the other side (-10)

Total Charge (pC) LAPPD 118, 0.02T, 04282022



