## Beam test of LAPPD at CERN PS

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## Suggested by INCOM



## Used at BNL





CAEN R8034DN (19" rack-mount) -6kV, 1mA/ch, 5nA resolution

#### Courtesy by B. Azmoun

## Used at INFN-Bologna



Courtesy by V. Vagnoni



# HV supply

### All these CAEN modules have "Common floating return"



Is the <u>accident</u> with tile no. 87 (short on X-MCP) related to the HV supply scheme used at the beginning?

FYI: for the test beam tile no. 124 provided by INCOM in emergency

- electrical instabilities observed at our test beam
- incorrect current read-out with related overvoltage
- $\rightarrow$  use a conceptually different PS



HV supply

#### The HV setup





### electrical stability obtained

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# PHOTOCATHODE QUALIYTY

Difficulties experienced with tile no. 124 (the replacement)

- Photocathode with high thermal noise emission
- Requiring conditioning before operation
- Nevertheless, only non optimal PC voltage could be applied
- Interplay between PC voltage and N-MCP voltage onserved
- Ideal supply could not be applied, in particular low PC voltage → this compromises the TTS
- Information about the yield of "good" vs "bad" photocathodes needed



# **Electrical connections**

HV distributed to the various electrodes via Pogo Pin Connectors touching a small strip

INFN test beam

- small contact surface
- oxidation of the contact point
- Critical alignment
- The elasticity of the plastic tile support can produce misalignments (observed)
- Contact point different for different tiles,
  In particular Grounding

(in our case tiles no. 87 and 124)





## Active surface



# Needs for EIC and , in general, for particle/nuclear physics experiments:

- Re-engineering the electrical and mechanical aspects
- All services within the green contour, in vertical arrangement
  - At present, active area < 50%
- Reliable electrical connections
- STANDARDIZATION: tile of a same family should have the same electrical layout

