

LAPPD beam test results

CERN testbeam Oct. 2022

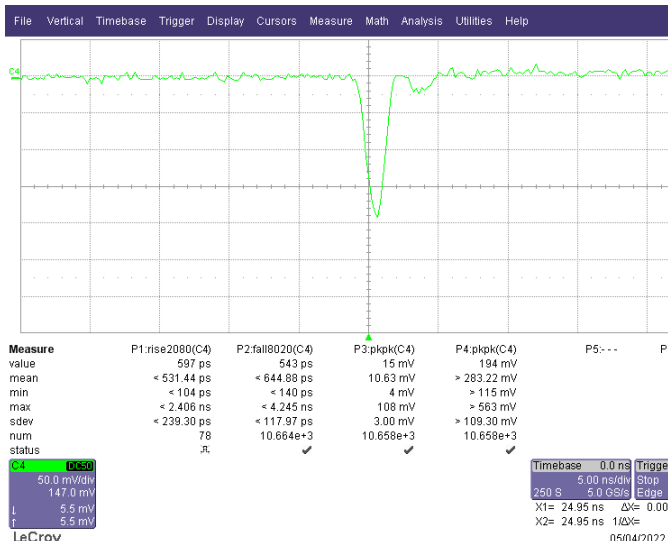
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remote

Expected results

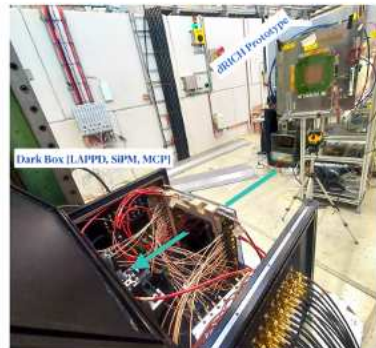
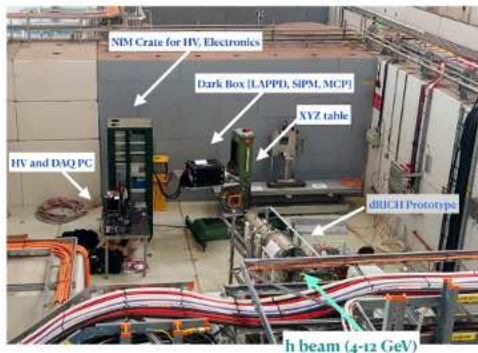
- estimated 14 ps SPE resolution (TTS not included),
- based on signal risetime and S/N-ratio,
- optimized setup to have all other timing uncertainties $< 20\%$, which corresponds to 9.3 ps.



Experimental hall at T10 beamline

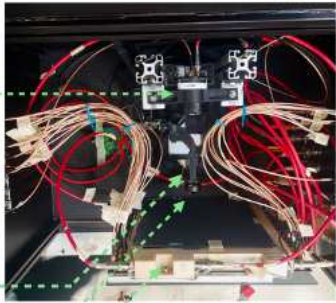
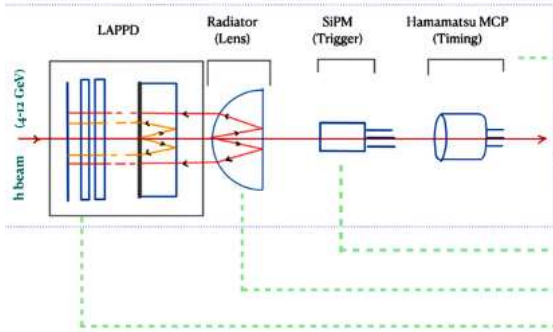
CERN PS, Hall T10

LAPPD installed downstream of dRICH prototype



Measurement setup

Illustrative Schematic: NOT TO SCALE



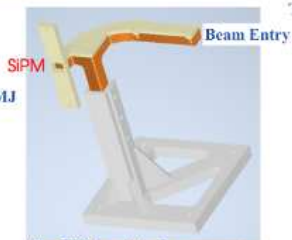
LAPPD window is covered by a protection card in this picture.

Trigger SiPM and reference MCP

Hamamatsu MPPC SiPM (S13360-6025CS)

Scintillating fibers
Kuraray 3HF(1500)MJ
diameter = 500 μm
array = 10 \times 10

SiPM = 6 \times 6 mm²
gain = 10 mV/p.e
risetime = 20 ns
falltime = 100 ns



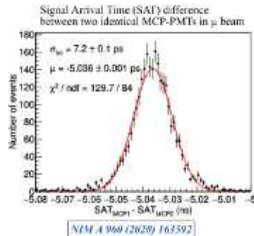
The SiPM and the Lens mount



SiPM onboard amplifier

Hamamatsu MCP-PMT (R3809U-50)

Tube diameter = 45 mm



Photocathode

Window = quartz, diameter = 11 mm 3.2 mm thick
Spectral response : 160 to 850 nm; peaks at 430 nm

Typical Characteristics

Gain = 2×10^5 ; Dark current = 10 nA

Rise time = 150 ps

Transit time = 550 ps

Transit time spread = 25 ps (RMS=10 ps)

LAPPD readout



Can you spot an important difference between the two LAPPD tiles?

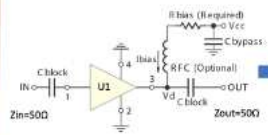


additional PCB for grounding anode



LAPPD readout board (for 987)

Custom made preamplifiers by INFN, Genova



PCB material Roger RO4350

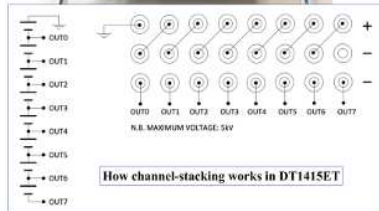


Gain = 10 (20 dB), BW = 2 GHz, output = inverting

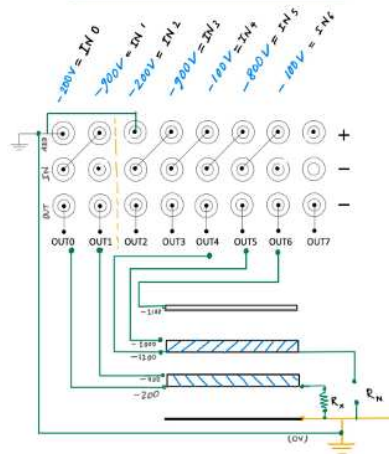
Present version comprises 8 input/output per unit



LAPPD bias voltages

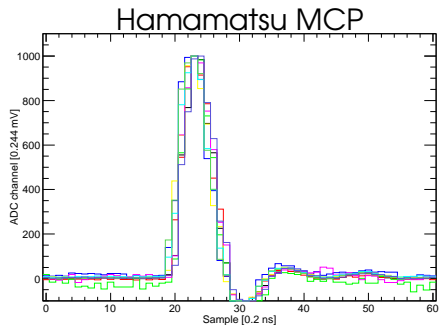
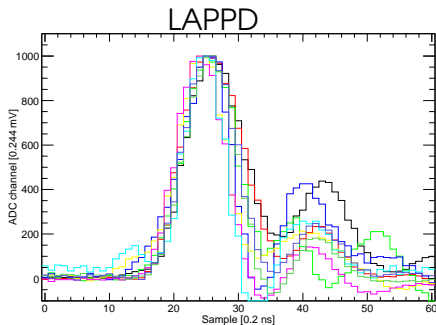


How we used it: An example set of voltages



Measured LAPPD signals w.r.t. Hamamatsu MCP

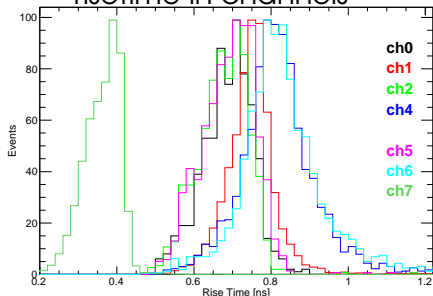
- LAPPD risetime (20-80%) was about **0.75 ns**,
- Hamamatsu MCP had **0.4 ns** (intrinsic 0.16 ns),
- V1742 digitizer has BW=0.5 GHz \rightarrow 0.45 ns is its intrinsic limit on risetime (20-80%),
- LAPPD 1 inch pad has large capacitance 5 pF, assuming 50 Ω load we expected **0.26 ns**.



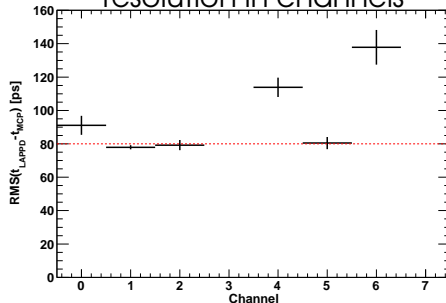
LAPPD signal risetime

- 15% variations of risetime channel-to-channel,
- some correlation with timing resolution observed,
- components on PCB are two TCM4-452X+ transformers BW=4.5 GHz,
- large risetime in nearby pads: B6+C6 and F3+G3,
- parasitic capacitance in some pads?
- SPE elect. resolution: $750\text{ps}/(250\text{mV}/1.2\text{mV}) \simeq 4\text{ps}$.

risetime in channels



resolution in channels

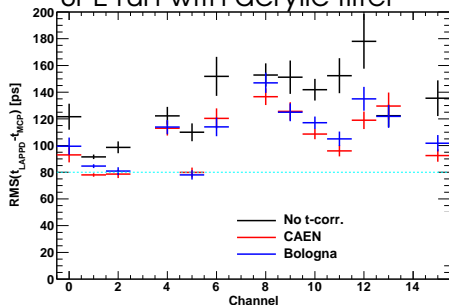


DRS4 timing calibrations

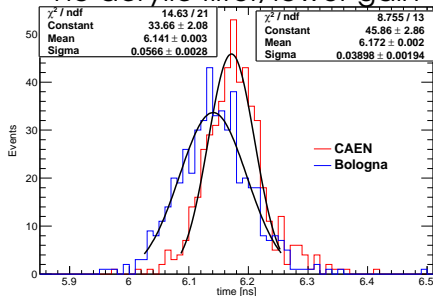
- timing corrections are significant: 52 ps broadening,
- CAEN corrections give best resolution of 39 ps,
- Bologna corrections lead to broadening of 41 ps,
- Bologna corrections give 31 ps shorter delay,

$$T_j^{ch1} - T_k^{ch7} = (j-k) \times 200 \text{ ps} + \sum_{i=1}^{i \leq j} (\Delta t_i^{ch1} - 200 \text{ ps}) - \sum_{i=1}^{i \leq k} (\Delta t_i^{ch7} - 200 \text{ ps})$$

SPE run with acrylic filter

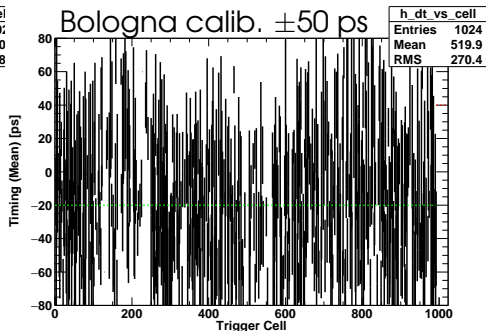
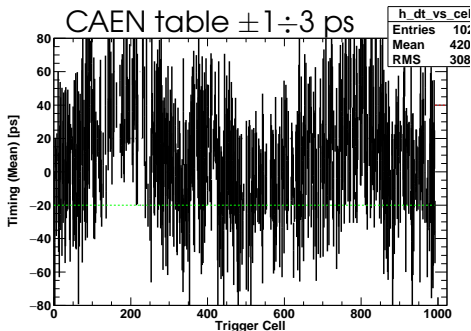


no acrylic filter, lower gain



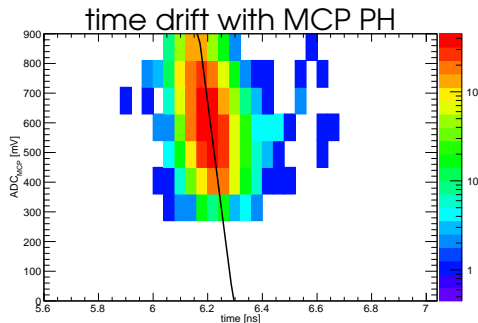
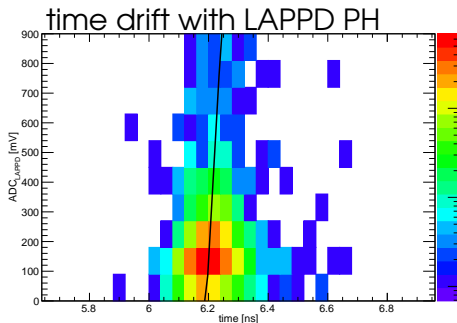
CAEN vs. Bologna calibrations

- CAEN provides small corrections $\pm 1 \div 3$ ps per cell,
- Bologna method gives fixed pattern correction:
 - 50 ps per even and +50 ps per odd cells,
- selected events with delay of exactly 31 cells (odd),
- studied the timing as a function of MCP channel cell,
- CAEN correction has less cell-to-cell oscillations, but has broad offsets of about 40 ps.



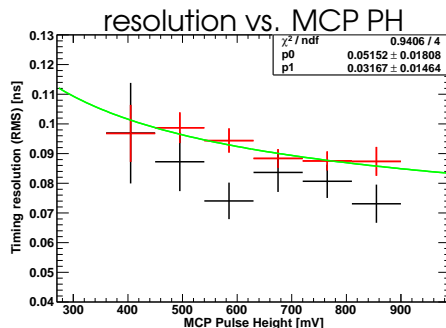
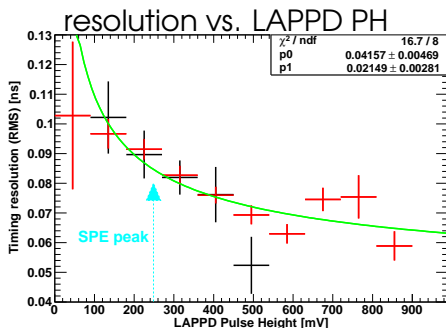
LAPPD and MCP PH-corrections on time

- time difference depends on signal Pulse Height,
- in LAPPD drift is $+0.05$ ps/mV,
- in Hamamatsu MCP drift is -0.1 ps/mV,
- after correction the residual PH-dependence is <5 ps.



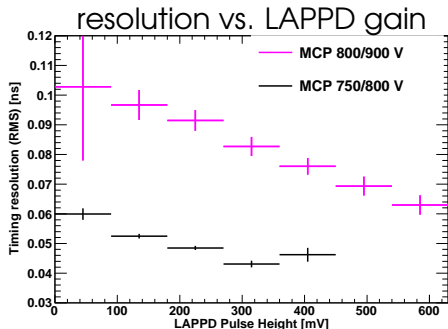
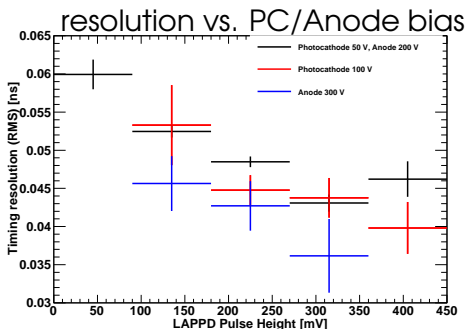
Final SPE LAPPD timing resolution

- SPE timing resolution of 80 ps (RMS) was observed,
- the resolution is $a + b/\sqrt{V}$ function of LAPPD PH,
- constant term of 40 ps agrees with no filter σ ,
- $N_{p.e.}$ term is approximately $= 40 \text{ ps}/\sqrt{N_{p.e.}}$,
- no significant dependence on Hamamatsu MCP PH.



Bias voltage dependence

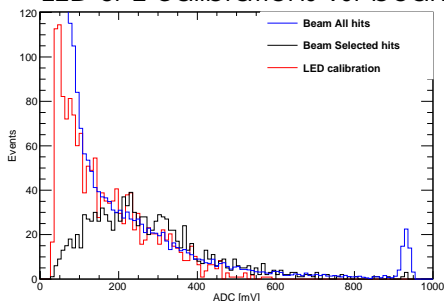
- increasing Photocathode voltage from 50 V to 100 V leads to 11% improvement,
- increasing Anode voltage from 200 V to 300 V leads to 16% improvement,
- dependence on LAPPD gain is under study.



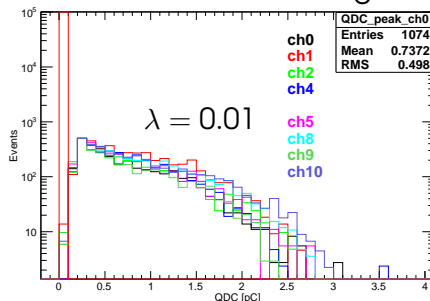
LAPPD SPE charge calibrations

- LED SPE calibrations performed at CERN agree with beam-on spectra in Cherenkov ring pads,
- LAPPD N.124 at 800/900 V should have gain of 4×10^6 , expected SPE=1.28 pC (includes $\times 2$),
- At CERN observed SPE=0.9 pC (1.5 pC for selected hits), but some background could be still present.

LED SPE calibrations vs. beam



Collected SPE charge



Summary

- tested 20 μm pore LAPPD N.124 capacitively coupled to the Incom readout board with 1 inch pads,
- observed SPE timing RMS of about 80 ps,
- it can be described as: $40 \text{ ps} + 40 \text{ ps} / \sqrt{N_{p.e.}}$,
- increasing PhotoCathode and Anode bias voltage improves resolution by 11% and 16%,
- LAPPD showed risetime of 750 ps (expected 260 ps),
- large cross-talk between pads was observed.

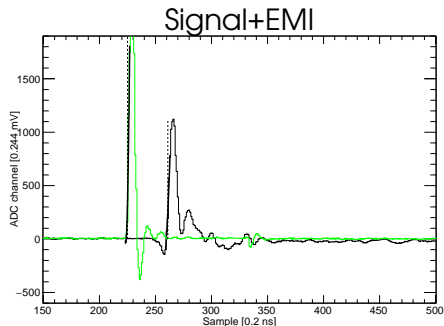
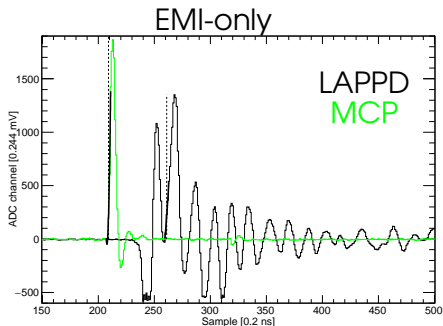
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Backup slides

Multiple hit cross talk on LAPPD

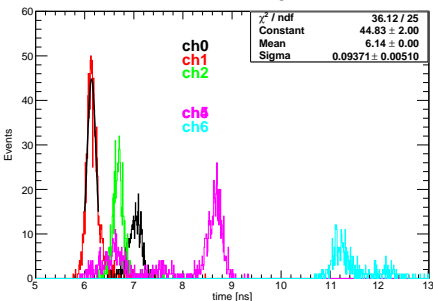
- in single hit measurements (laser) signals are clean,
- in multiple hit events (Cherenkov ring + beam spot) strong cross talk was observed,
- 30-90% of events have at least one EMI distortion,
- EMI distortion on signal affects rising edge (timing),
- in affected events 17/31 channels are distorted.



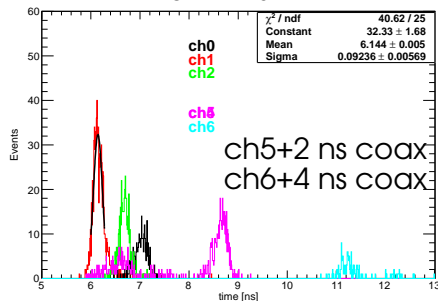
SPE timing resolution

- Geant4 gives ideal (light only) estimate: $\sigma \sim 8$ ps,
- signals in MCP allow (TTS=0) to obtain:
450 ps/(600 mV/1.5 mV)=1 ps,
- signals in LAPPD allow (TTS=0) to obtain:
750 ps/(200 mV/1.5 mV)=6 ps,
- measured resolution is 10 times larger, but agrees with
TTS(PC=50 V)=90 ps measured by Vincenzo.

All hits

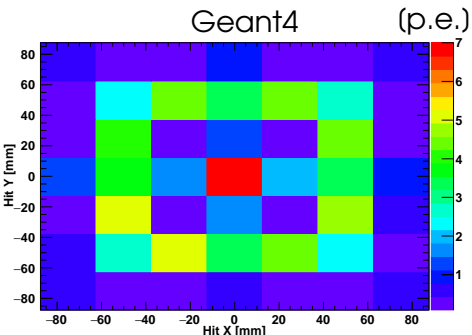


SPE hits

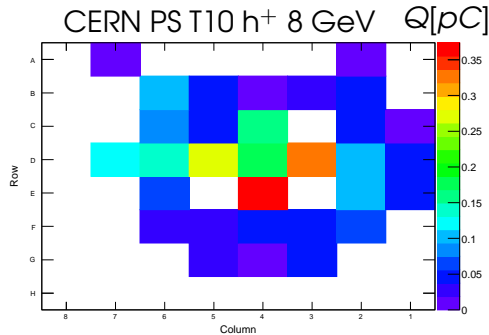


Cherenkov ring

- Cherenkov ring was observed,
- normalization of average is affected by cross-talk,
- beam spot was suppressed by a factor of 10 (grease+black tape on the window),
- 32 channels are barely sufficient to cover entire ring (25 mm pads, ring radius 60 mm).



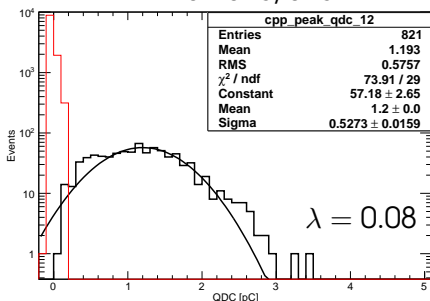
beam spot 316 p.e.



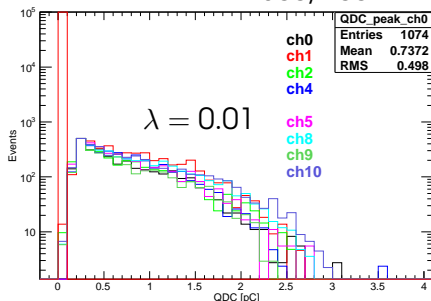
LAPPD SPE charge calibrations

- LAPPD N.87 at 875/875 V had gain of 3.3×10^6 , SPE=0.53 pC in INCOM datasheet; **missing a factor of 2 from V1742 input voltage divider, including it we measured 1.2 pC with laser pulser,**
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LAPPD N.87 875/875 V



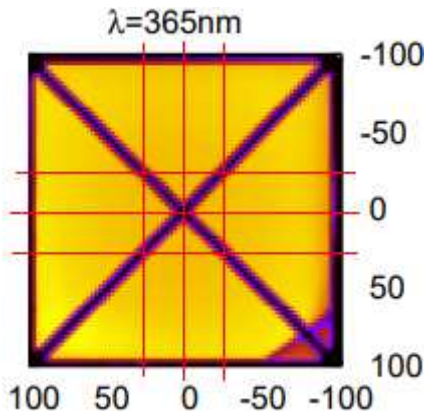
LAPPD N.124 800/900 V



LAPPD cross shadow

- LAPPD pads are large: 25×25 mm²,
- MCP cross-shaped support shadow affects 4 central pads,
- but their geometrical efficiency remains $> 50\%$.

LAPPD.87 with Na₂KsB photocathode

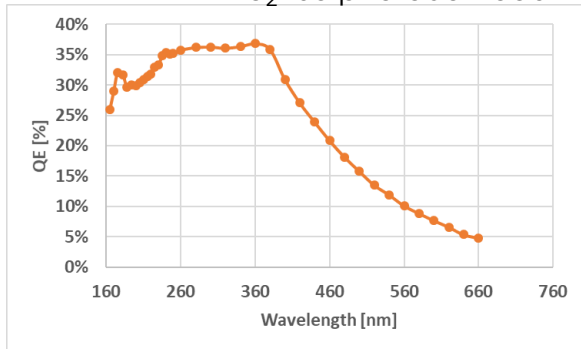


LAPPD Quantum Efficiency

- in wavelength range 180-400 nm
QE of LAPPD is > 30%,
- numerical convolution $dN/d\lambda(\lambda)$ and $QE(\lambda)$: 33.6 p.e./mm.
- analytic estimate of Cherenkov p.e. yield assuming average $QE=30\%$:

$$N_{\gamma} = 0.0256 * \left\{ \frac{1}{160nm} - \frac{1}{560nm} \right\} * 0.30 = 34 \frac{p.e.}{mm},$$

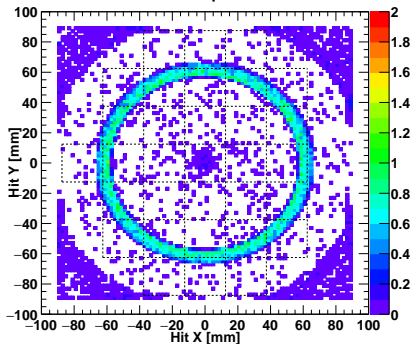
LAPPD.12 with Na_2KSb photocathode



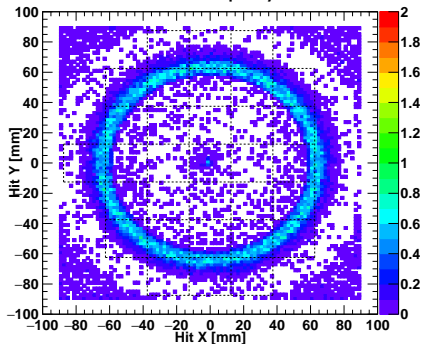
60 mm backward, chromatic dispersion - ring

- Cherenkov ring is wide even without chromatic dispersion,
- chromatic dispersion adds more width to the ring.

no dispersion



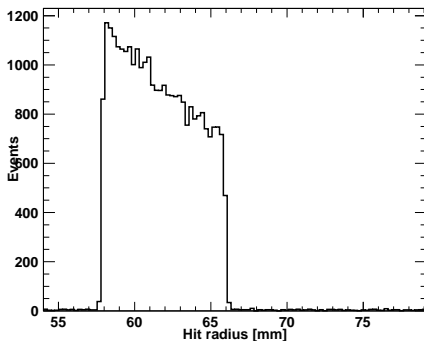
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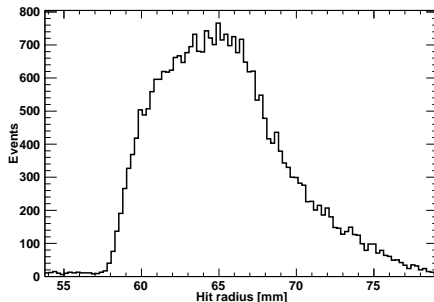
60 mm backward, chromatic dispersion - radius

- Cherenkov ring is 8 mm wide even without chromatic dispersion,
- the width is related to emission point uncertainty: it varies from 4.3 mm to 13.8 mm (from lens face - first 4.3 mm is blind).
- chromatic dispersion doubles the width of the ring.

no dispersion



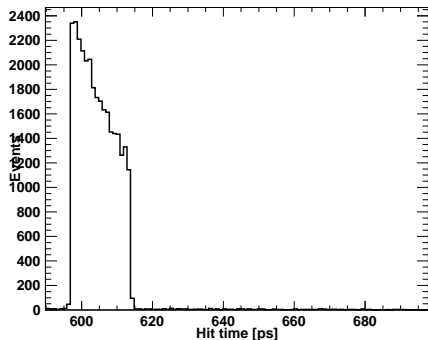
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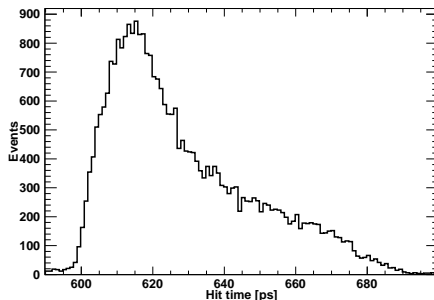
60 mm backward, chromatic dispersion - time

- without chromatic dispersion total width of Cherenkov photon timing distribution is 17 ps,
- chromatic dispersion delay fraction of photons increasing the width by 5 times.

no dispersion



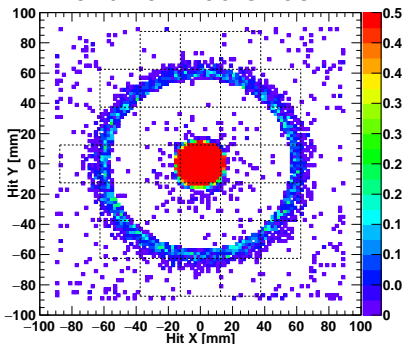
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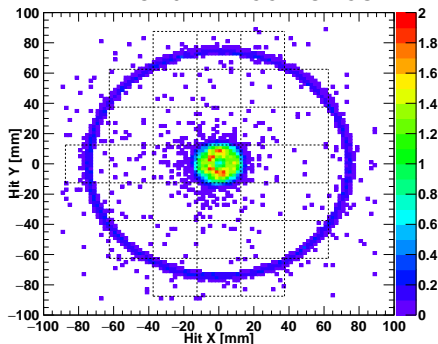
Lens #17-334 AF 50 mm backward BS 1 cm² - ring

- lens #67-265: (3 p.e./pad),
- lens #17-334: (4 p.e./pad),
- lens #17-334 gives better separation of Cherenkov photons from primary beam: +3 pads instead of +2 pads

lens #67-265 at 60 mm



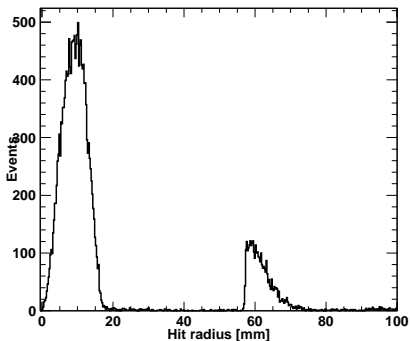
lens #17-334 at 50 mm



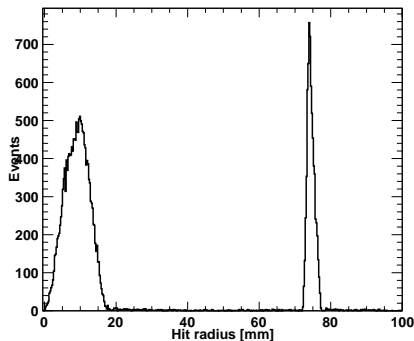
Lens.17-334 AF 50 mm backward BS 1 cm² - radius

- lens #67-265: gives smoothed radius distribution,
- lens #17-334: gives Gaussian-like radius distribution,

lens #67-265 at 60 mm



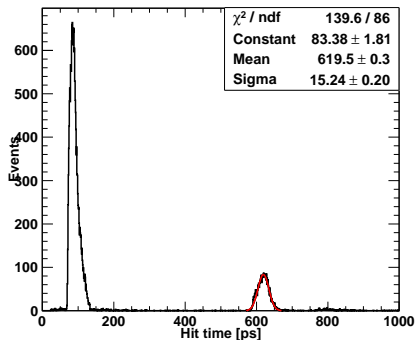
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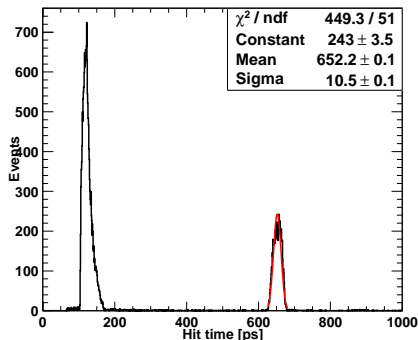
Lens.17-334 AF 50 mm backward BS 1 cm² - time

- lens #67-265, D 25 mm, EFL 20 mm; CT 14 mm: **timing**
RMS of 15 ps,
- lens #17-334, D 50 mm, EFL 50 mm; CT 19.2 mm **timing**
RMS of 10 ps,
- even with 1 cm² beam spot lens #17-334 satisfy requirements (< 22% broadening)

lens #67-265 at 60 mm

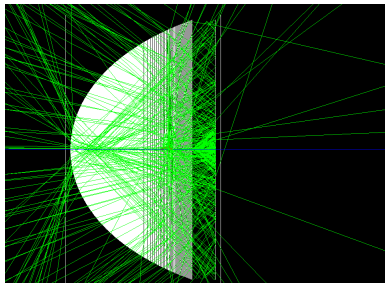


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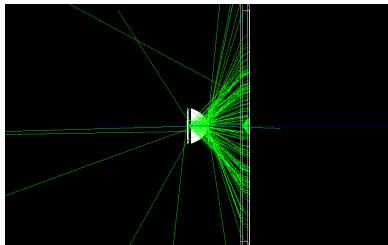


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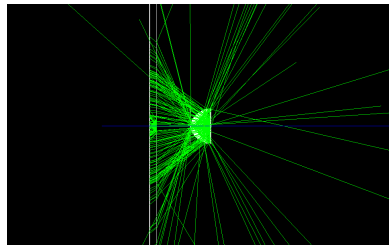
- 1 beam - protons
5-12 GeV/c,
- 2 aspheric lens
radiator,
- 3 LAPPD with 32
ch readout by
V1742 digitizer.



direct



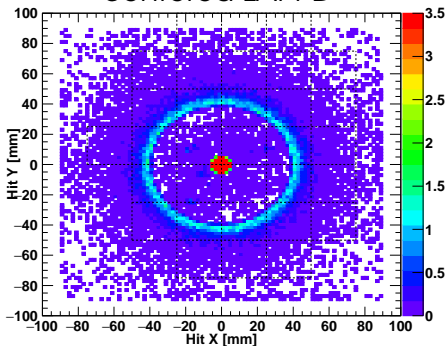
backward reflection



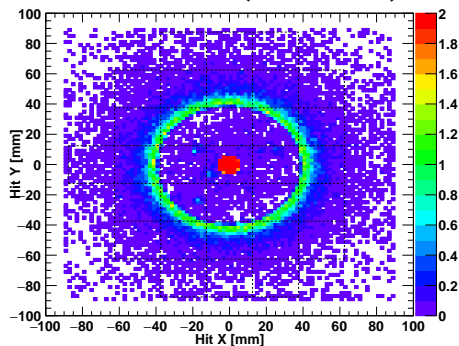
LAPPD mounting offset

- if beam impacts on LAPPD center it produces a signal in 4 pads reducing the spacial separation between beam and Cherenkov ring,
- offsetting LAPPD by 12.5 mm in X and Y the **beam spot signal is focusing on just one pad,**

centered LAPPD



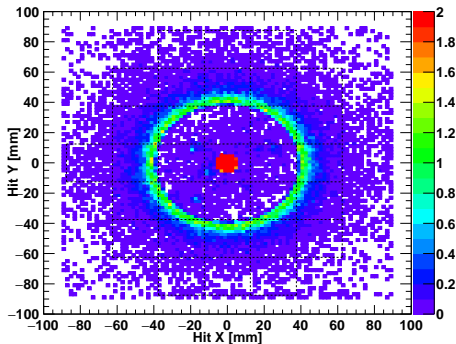
LAPPD at (-12.5,-12.5) mm



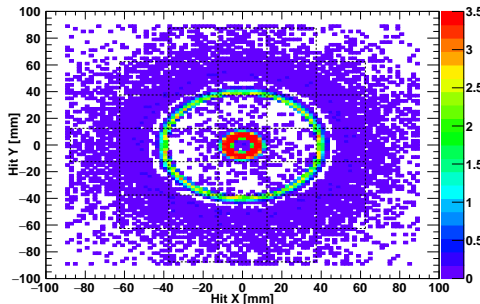
31 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - ring

- direct configuration gives broad ring(27 p.e./pad),
- backward reflection gives narrow and broad rings(33 p.e./pad),
- why?
- beam spot is larger for backward reflection.
- direct gives better spacial separations from beam hit.

direct



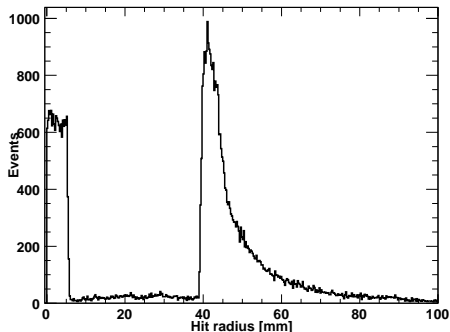
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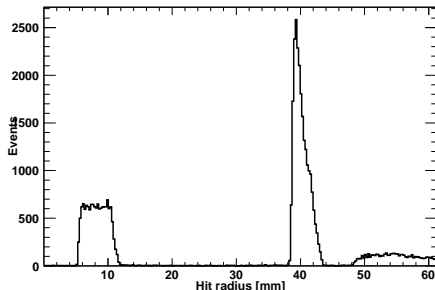
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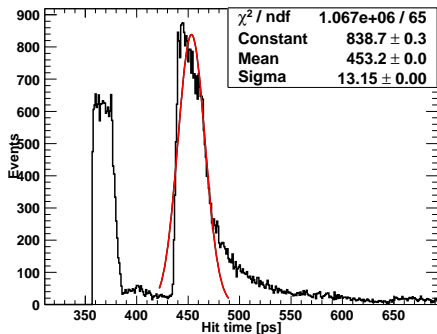
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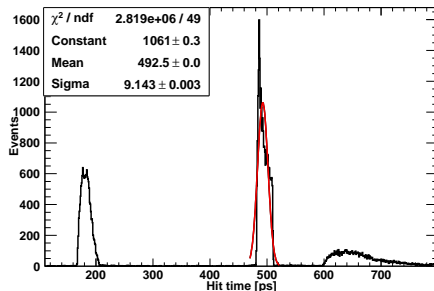
31 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - time

- direct configuration gives photon **timing RMS of 13 ps**, and 0.07 ns offset from proton impact,
- backward reflection gives photon **timing RMS of 9 ps**, and 0.31 ns offset from proton impact,
- **backward reflection gives better time separations from beam hit.**

direct



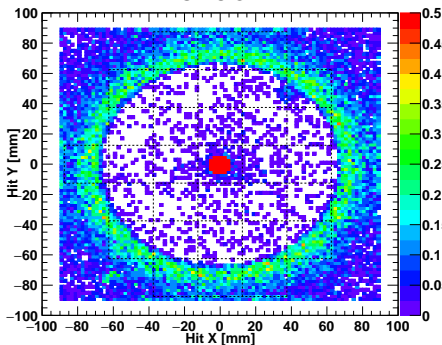
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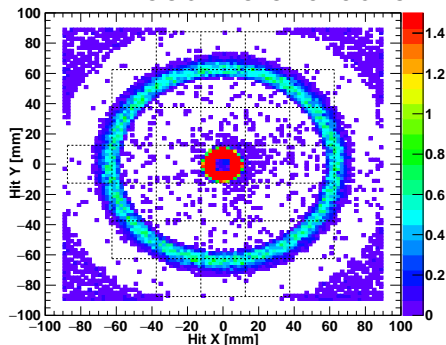
60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - ring

- direct configuration gives broad ring (11 p.e./pad),
- backward reflection gives narrow ring (13 p.e./pad),
- why?
- beam spot is larger for backward reflection.
- direct gives better spacial separations from beam hit.

direct



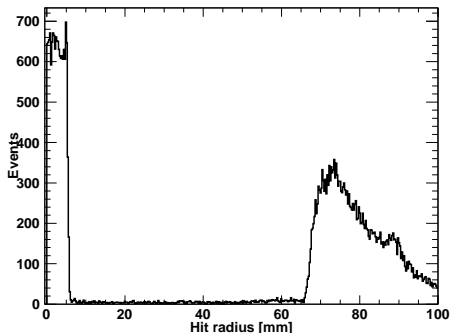
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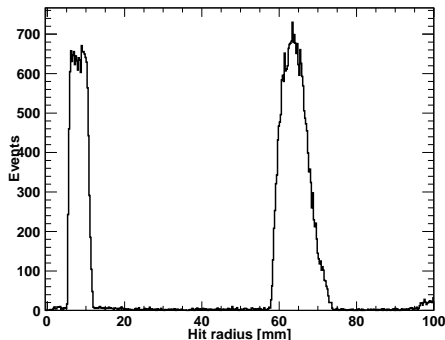
60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - radius

- direct configuration gives broad ring,
- backward reflection gives narrow and broad rings,
- why?
- beam spot is larger for backward reflection.
- direct gives better spacial separations from beam hit.

direct



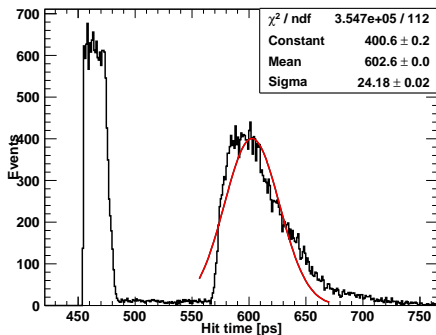
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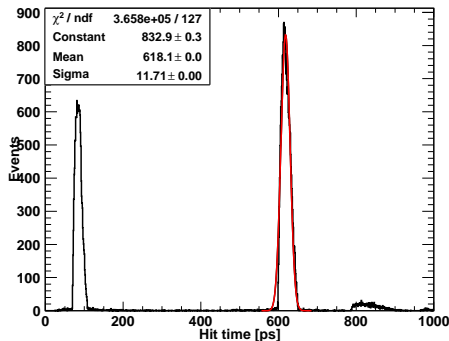
60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - time

- direct configuration gives photon **timing RMS of 24 ps**, and 0.07 ns offset from proton impact,
- backward reflection gives photon **timing RMS of 12 ps**, and 0.31 ns offset from proton impact,
- **backward reflection gives better time separations from beam hit.**

direct



backward reflection

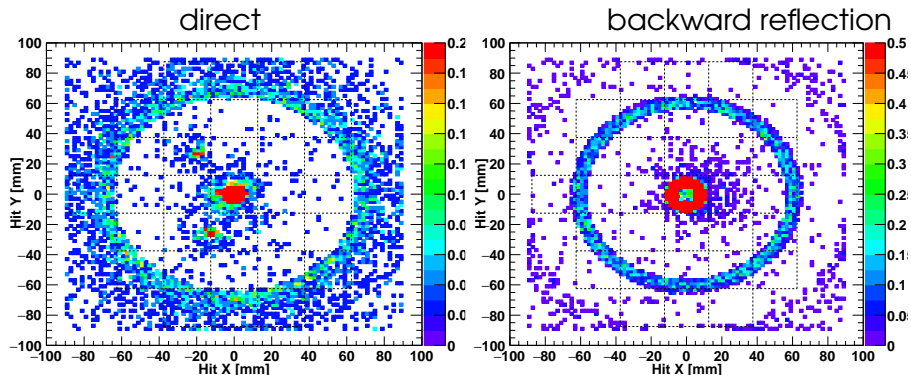


Step 1 conclusions

- too many photo-electron/pad: 27 for 31 mm and 13 for 60 mm (need SPE timing),
- spacial separation between beam spot (170 p.e.) and Cherenkov ring photons is just 1 pad (31 mm) or 2 pads (60 mm) - cross talk?,
- cross talk in the next (10%=17 p.e.?) and next-to-next (1%=2 p.e.?) pads? Perhaps larger than SPE?
- > 60 mm distance is needed,
- timing distribution is too broad.

AF 60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - ring

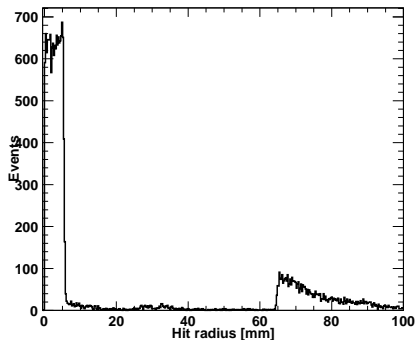
- direct configuration gives broad ring (2 p.e./pad),
- backward reflection gives narrow ring (3 p.e./pad),
- why?
- beam spot is larger for backward reflection.
- direct gives better spacial separations from beam hit.



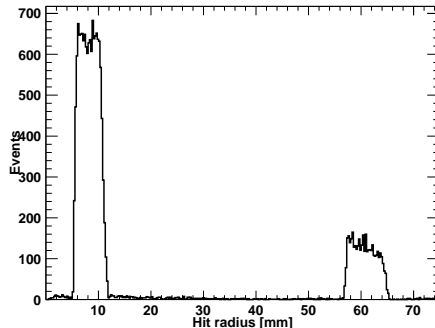
AF 60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - radius

- direct configuration gives broad ring,
- backward reflection gives narrow and broad rings,
- why?
- beam spot is larger for backward reflection.
- direct gives better spacial separations from beam hit.

direct



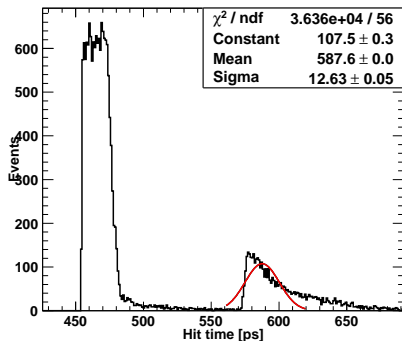
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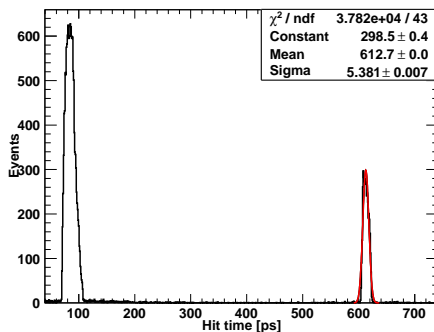
AF 60 mm Direct vs. backward reflection - time

- direct configuration gives photon **timing RMS of 10-13 ps**, and 0.07 ns offset from proton impact,
- backward reflection gives photon **timing RMS of 3.5-5 ps**, and 0.31 ns offset from proton impact,
- **backward reflection gives better time separations from beam hit.**

direct



backward reflection



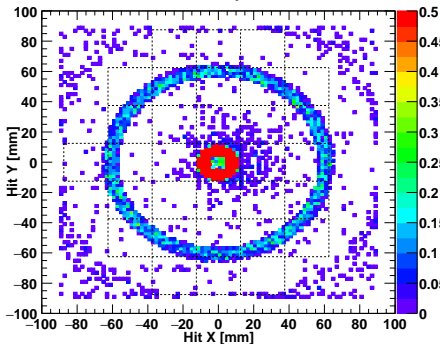
Step 2 conclusions

- number photo-electrons/pad is reduced: 3 for 60 mm (but need SPE timing),
- spacial separation between beam spot (170 p.e.) and Cherenkov ring photons is just 1 pad (31 mm) or 2 pads (60 mm) - cross talk?,
- cross talk in the next (10%=17 p.e.?) and next-to-next (1%=2 p.e.?) pads? Perhaps larger than SPE?
- > 60 mm distance is needed,
- timing distribution for backward reflection configuration is OK.

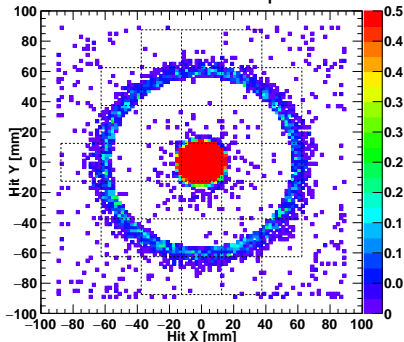
AF 60 mm backward reflection BS 1 cm² - ring

- beam spot 0 (3 p.e./pad),
- beam spot 1 cm² (3 p.e./pad),
- LAPPD beam spot is larger for BS 1 cm², entering in nearby pads (5 p.e./pad).

beam spot 0



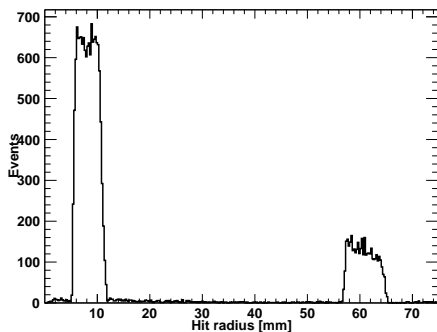
beam spot 1 cm²



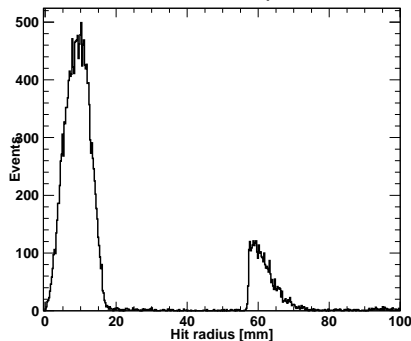
AF 60 mm backward reflection BS 1 cm² - radius

- beam spot 0 gives rectangular radius distribution,
- beam spot 1 cm² gives smoothed radius distribution,

beam spot 0



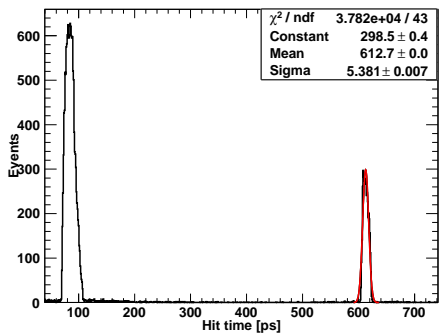
beam spot 1 cm²



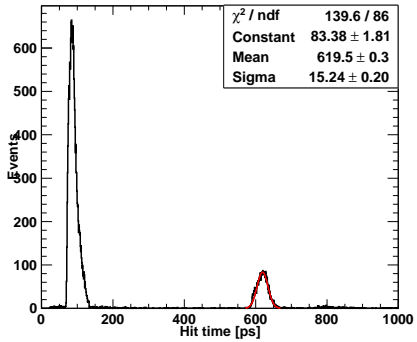
AF 60 mm backward reflection BS 1 cm² - time

- beam spot 0 timing RMS of 3.5-5 ps,
- beam spot 1 cm² timing RMS of 14-15 ps,
- beam spot 1 cm² is too large.

beam spot 0



beam spot 1 cm²



Step 3 conclusions

- T10 beam spot is $15 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$,
- but the trigger MCP we plan to rent has active area $10 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$,
- simulated timing resolution increases from 5 to 15 ps, too large for our purpose,
- reducing active beam spot to $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$ allows to reach 8 ps (efficiency 17%),
- we must put beam profile monitor $5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^2$ in front of trigger MCP,
- in backward reflection configuration attaching black adhesive tape on the central pad window section allows to suppress beam induced signal (reducing cross-talk issue).

Number of Cherenkov photons

- assume proton beam with $P=12 \text{ GeV}/c$, $\beta_p=0.9969589$ and $\theta_C = 48.4^\circ$ in fused silica ($n=1.51$ at 250 nm),
- the number of Cherenkov photons (in range of LAPPD photocathode sensitivity) produced in 1 mm of quartz:

$$N_\gamma = 0.0256 * \left\{ \frac{1}{160\text{nm}} - \frac{1}{560\text{nm}} \right\} = 114 \frac{\text{photons}}{\text{mm}},$$

- thus in 5 mm thick LAPPD window we produce 570 photons,
- in 14 mm thick aspheric lens we produce 1600 photons,
- assuming 30% mean QE of Na_2KSb photocathode we estimate: 170 p.e. from LAPPD window and 480 p.e. from aspheric lens,
- Geant4 simulation gives 174 p.e. from LAPPD window and 359 p.e. from aspheric lens.