

# RECENT PROGRESS ON SILICON PHOTOMULTIPLIERS FOR BCAL

WILL BROOKS, ON BEHALF OF THE USM, JLAB, AND REGINA TEAMS

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# OVERVIEW

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- ☐ USM: ACCEPTANCE TESTS AND DEVICE CHARACTERIZATION OF 2800 MPPC'S
- ☐ JLAB: ACCEPTANCE TESTS AND DEVICE CHARACTERIZATION OF 1200 MPPCS
- ☐ U. REGINA: SYSTEMATIC STUDIES OF MPPCS USING A VARIETY OF EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES



# PRODUCTION TESTING: STATUS

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## ☐ USM: 2800 MPPC'S

- ☐ ON-SITE REVIEW PASSED DEC 15, 2011
- ☐ COMMISSIONING COMPLETED AND PRODUCTION TESTING STARTED WITH 2 OF THE 3 TEST STATIONS
- ☐ COMMISSIONING OF TEST STATION 3 EXPECTED TO FINISH WITHIN 2 WEEKS

## ☐ JLAB: 1200 MPPCS

- ☐ HARDWARE SETUP IS ALMOST READY
- ☐ BOTH CONTROL AND ANALYSIS SOFTWARE ARE READY
- ☐ PRODUCTION TESTING STARTING SOON

# QUANTITIES CHARACTERIZED, USM TESTS, PAGE 1

#	Property	Testing plan
1	Gain at nominal operating voltage	All cells at 2 temperatures
2	Photo-sensitive area > 144 mm <sup>2</sup>	Microscope inspection, all arrays
3	Macroscopic active area coverage > 75%	Microscope inspection, all arrays
4	Number of micro-pixels > 56000	Estimate lower limit from linearity measurement
5	Sensitivity to magnetic field	Unmeasured, Hamamatsu exception
6	PDE at 490 nm	3 MPPCs of 32 measured directly, estimate for the remainder
7	Dark rate	All cells at 2 temperatures
8	Dark current	All arrays at 2 temperatures
9	Sensitivity to temperature	All cells at operating voltage and 5°C
10	Maximum output difference of any cell within one array from the array's average	All arrays, operating voltage and 5°C
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# USM MEASUREMENTS - 3 STAGES

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- ☐ STATION 1 - INSPECTION STATION
  - ☐ HIGH-RESOLUTION PHOTOGRAPH, OBSERVATIONS
- ☐ STATION 2 - PDE MEASUREMENTS FOR 10% OF MPPCS, PULSE SHAPE MEASUREMENTS FOR 100% OF MPPCS
  - ☐ ROOM TEMPERATURE, ONE MPPC AT A TIME
- ☐ STATION 3 - DARK RATE, I-V CURVES, GAIN, CROSS-CALIBRATION TO DETERMINE RELATIVE PDE
  - ☐ TEMPERATURE-CONTROLLED FROM 5-20 DEGREES C
  - ☐ 32 MPPCS AT A TIME

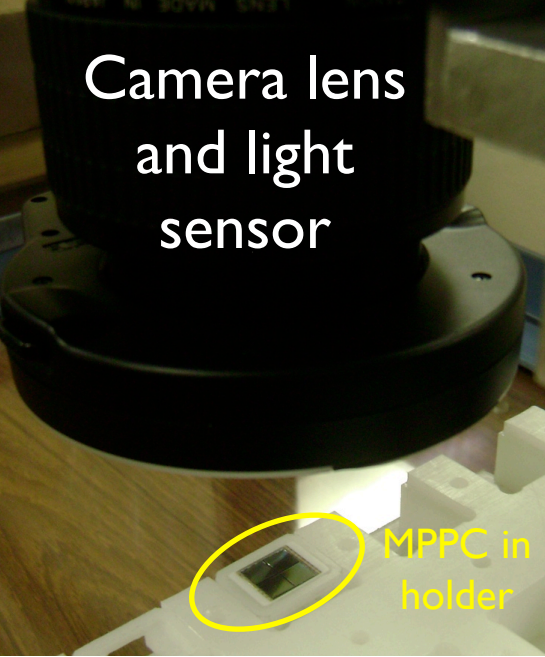
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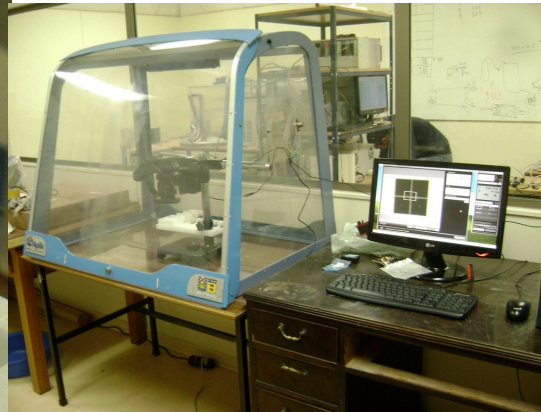


# Inspection Station (Stage I)

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and light  
sensor



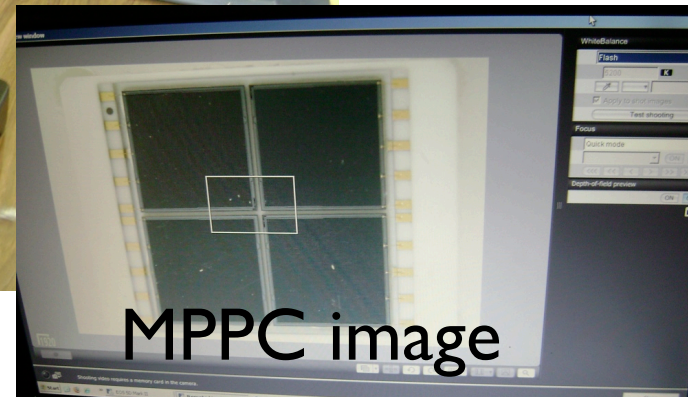
MPPC in  
holder



Fire-resistant safe  
containing MPPCs



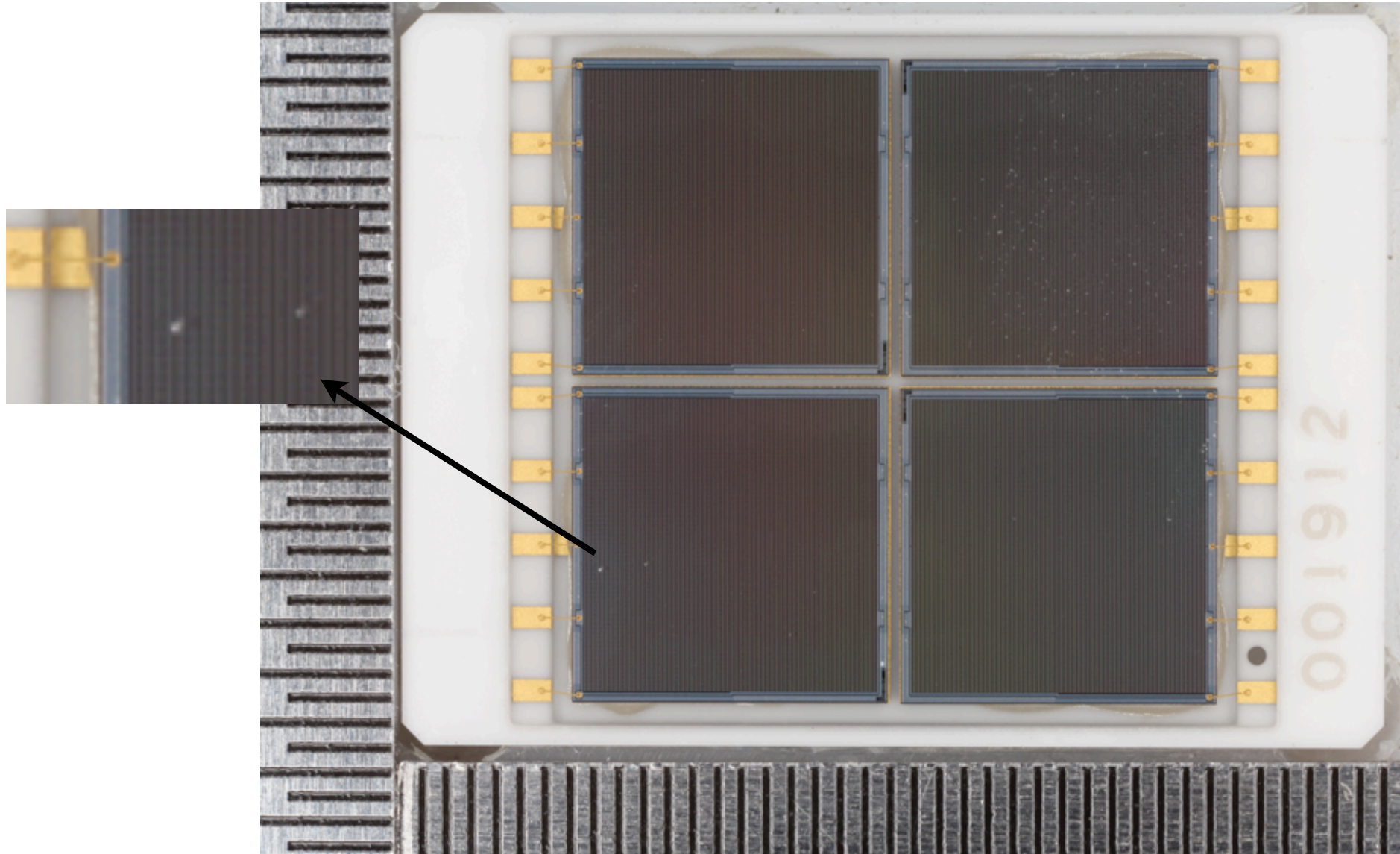
Camera setup



MPPC image

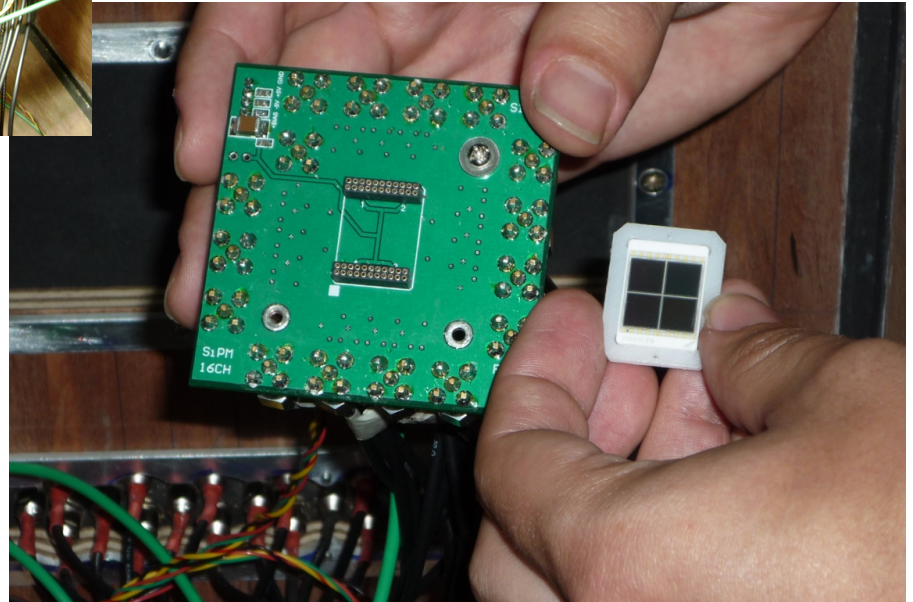
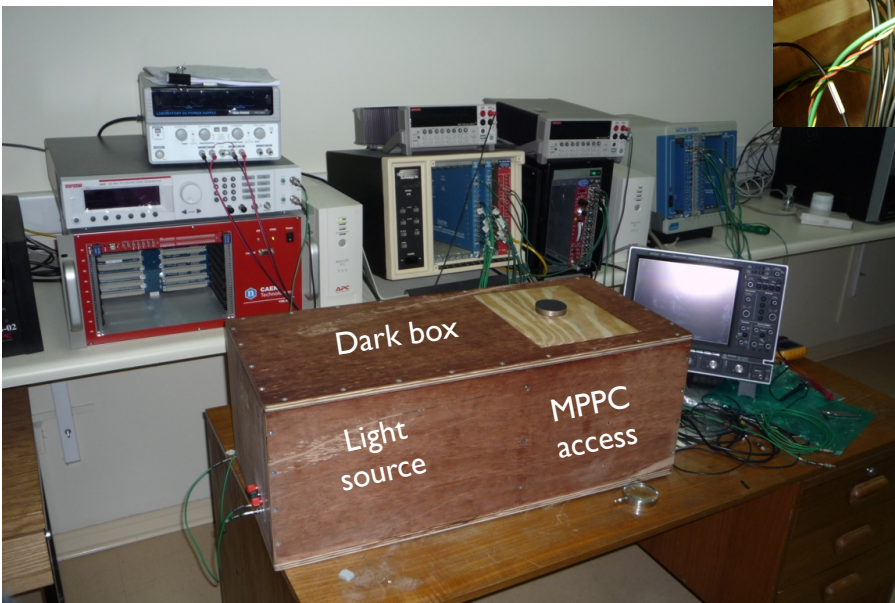
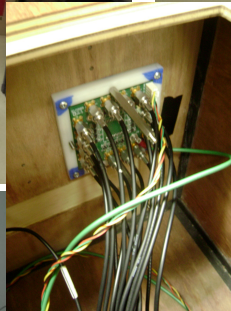


MPPC image



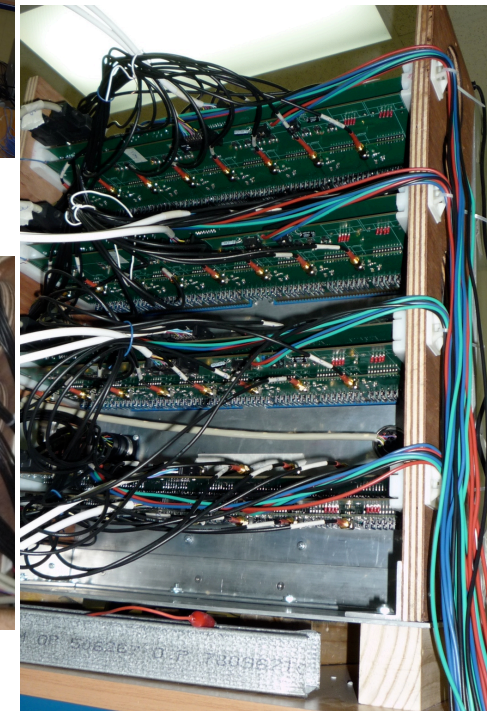
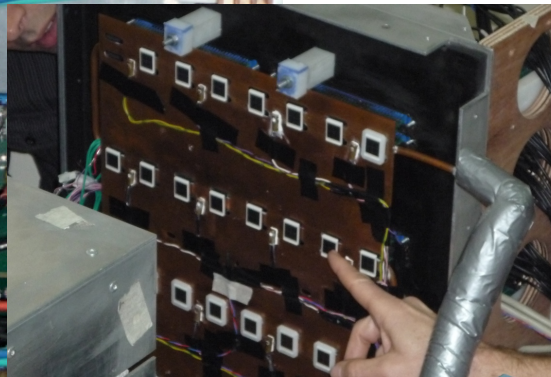
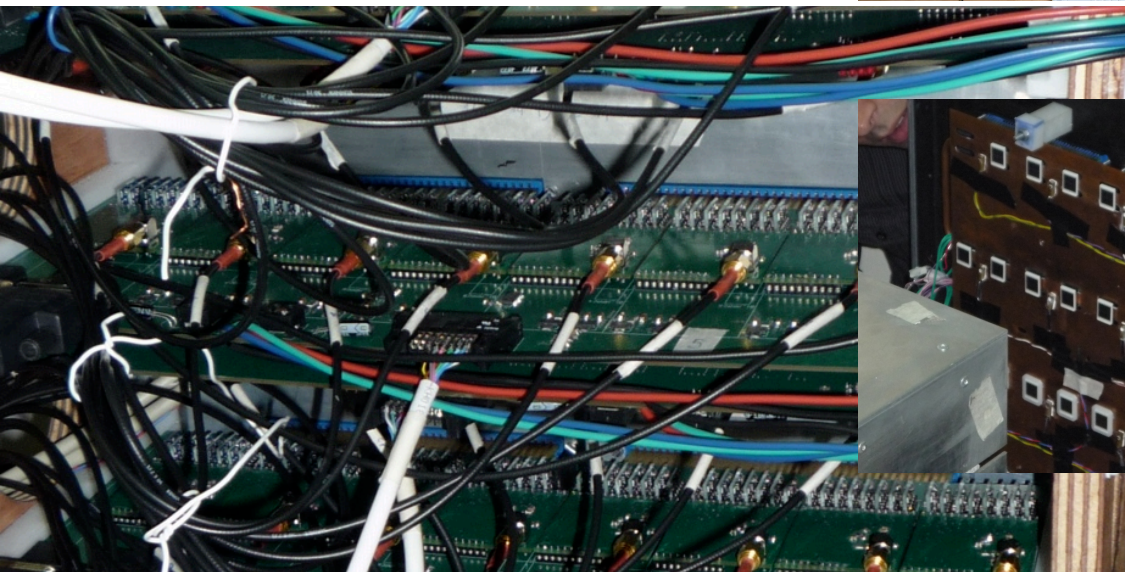
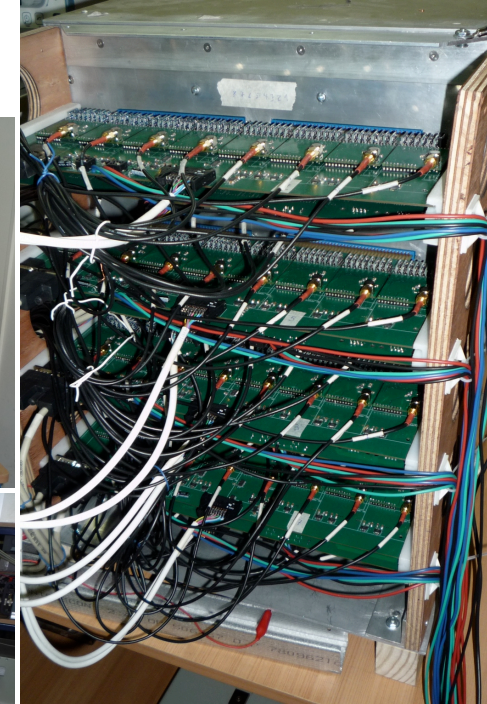
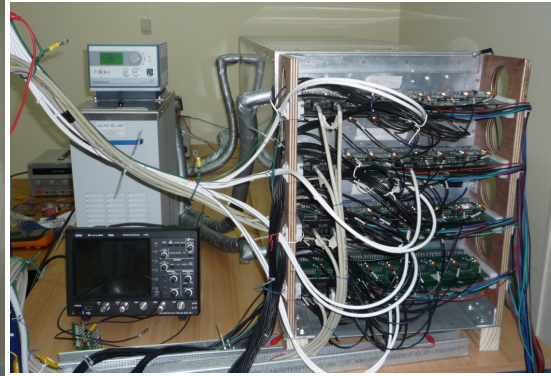
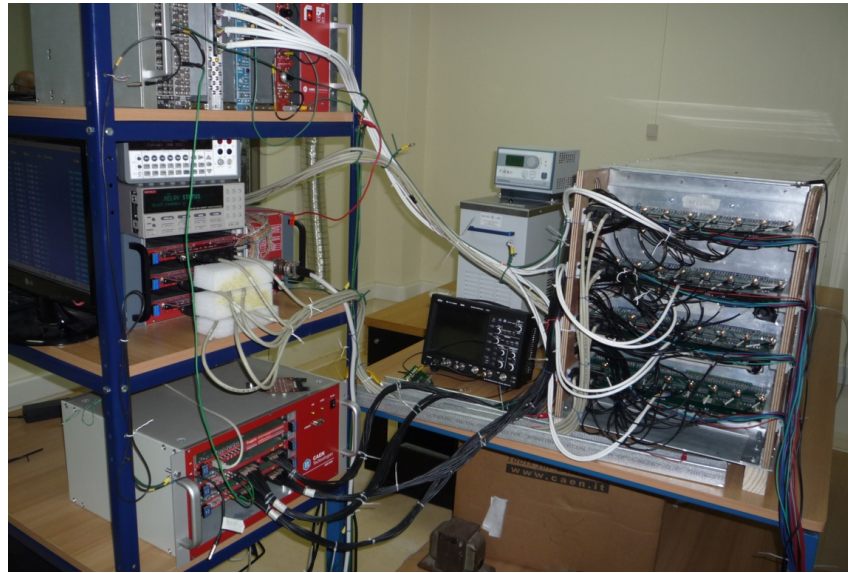


# PDE Station (Stage II)





# Temperature-Controlled Station (Stage III)





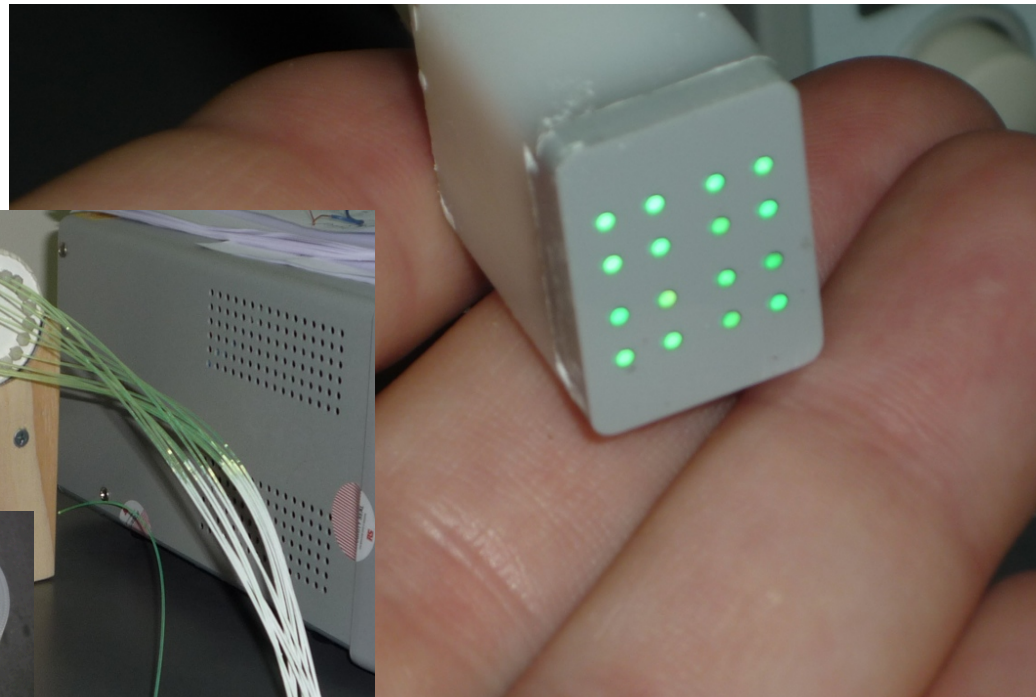
# USM Light Sources

- Light source for PDE station: blue LED illuminating green fibers (LED - clear fiber - mixer - 17 fibers out)
- See picture next page for PDE station
- Light source for temperature-controlled station is a green LED with a variable current driver, and a diffuser, at a distance 1.5 meters from MPPCs

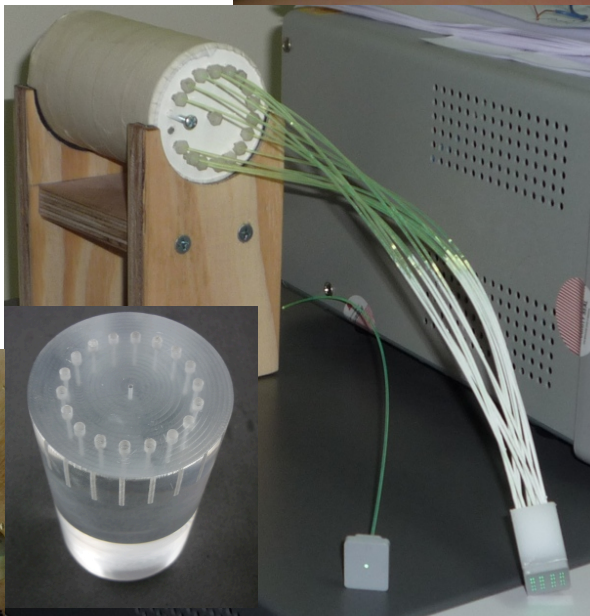
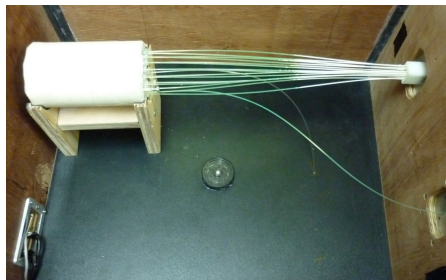
# USM PDE Station Light Source



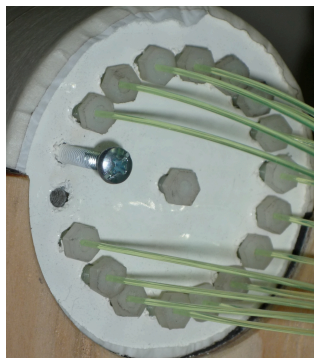
Recessed  
positioner;  
fibers on this  
side, MPPC on  
other side



Light mixer  
(clear fiber goes  
into center)

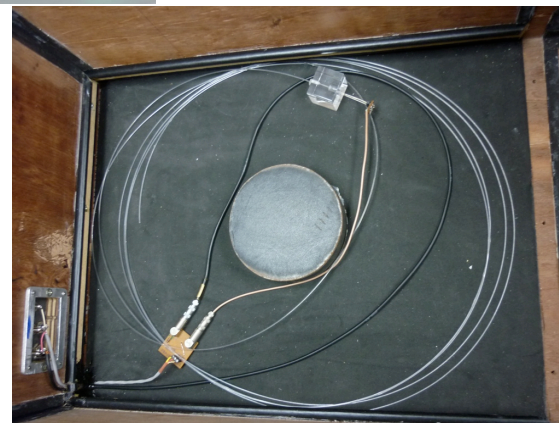


Output of 16  
green fibers  
following  
mixer



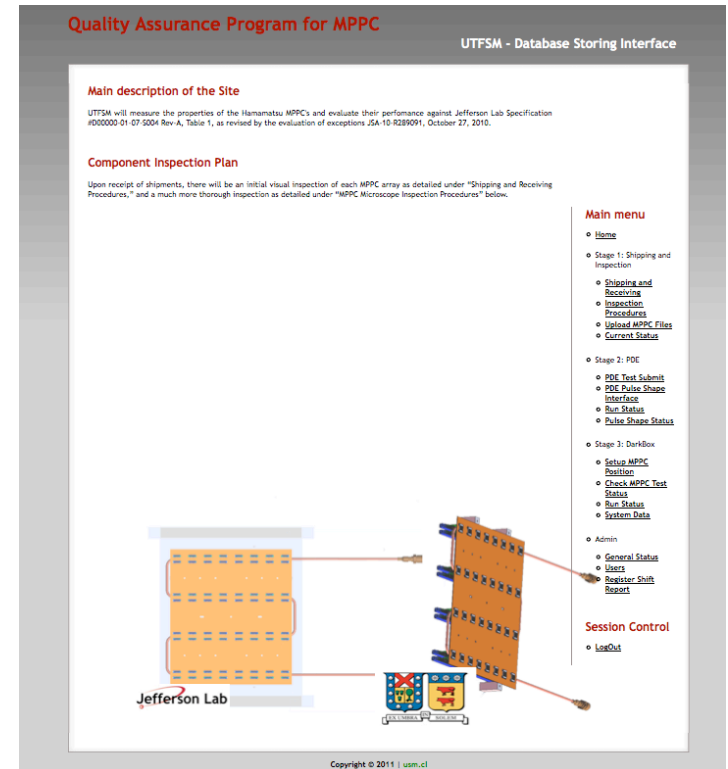
1-fiber input, 17-  
fiber output  
(16 to MPPC, 17th  
to monitor PMT)

Blue LED  
feeding clear  
fiber



# Archiving of SiPM parameters

- MySQL database with RAID backup
- Interfaces for each of the three stations for manual and automated entry of data
- Web interface



*Data from database available via the web [here](#)*



# MAIN ELEMENTS OF COMMISSIONING PLAN

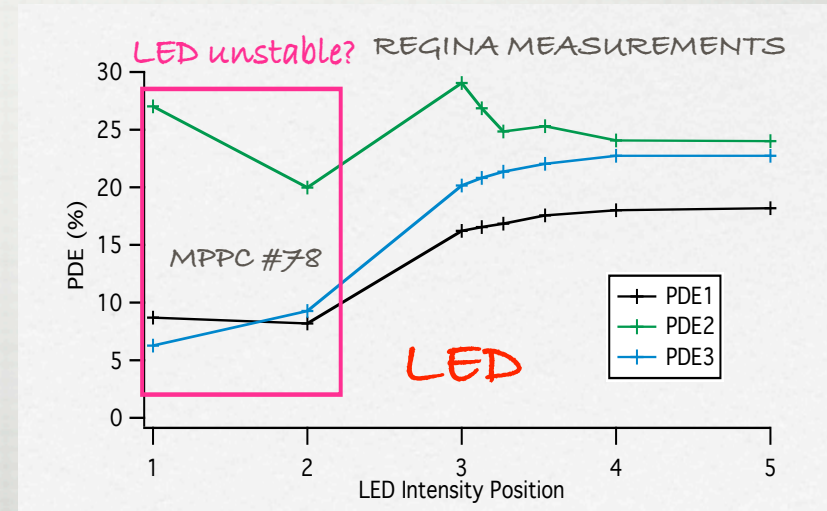
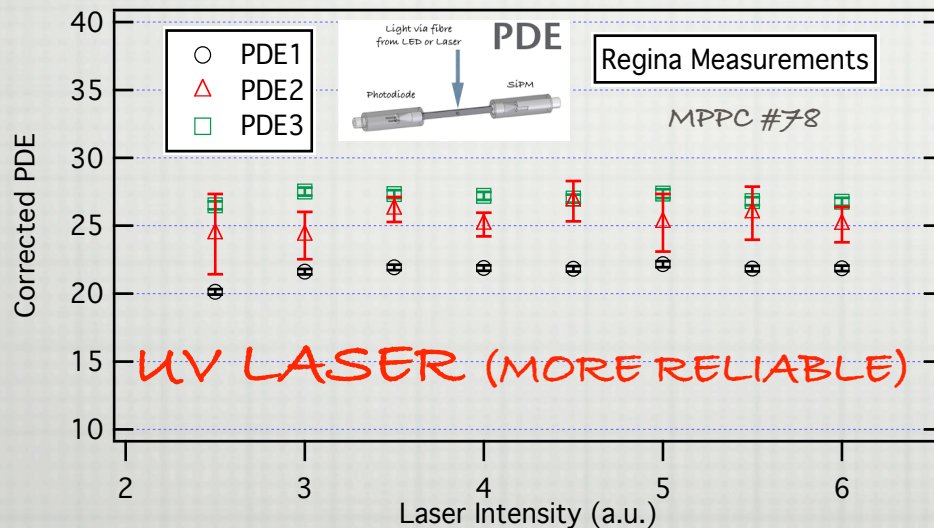
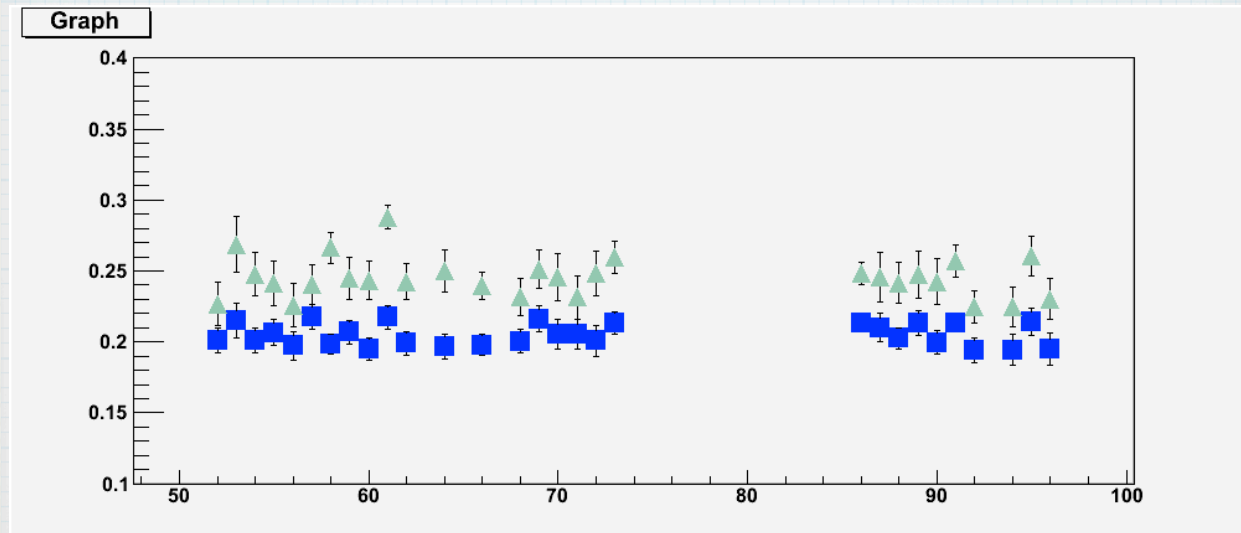
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WE HAVE 30 MPPCS THAT JLAB HAS ALREADY MEASURED

- ☐ MEASURE PDE IN STATION 2 FOR ALL 30 (DONE)
  - ☐ COMPARE WITH JLAB AND REGINA MEASUREMENTS (DONE, BUT STILL UNDER DISCUSSION)
- ☐ INSTALL THE SAME 30 MPPCS IN STATION 3
  - ☐ COMPARE WITH JLAB/HAMAMATSU MEASUREMENTS (DONE, UNDER DISCUSSION)
  - ☐ DETERMINE LIGHT INTENSITY PATTERN (FIRST PASS ATTEMPTED, MORE WORK NEEDED)
  - ☐ PERFORM CROSS-CHECKS (E.G., CHANNEL MAPPING), FIXING PROBLEM CHANNELS, CHECKING AMPLIFIER GAINS, CHECKING QDC CALIBRATION, ETC

# JLAB & USM

\* PDE for 29 MPPCs    ▲ -USM    ■ -JLAB

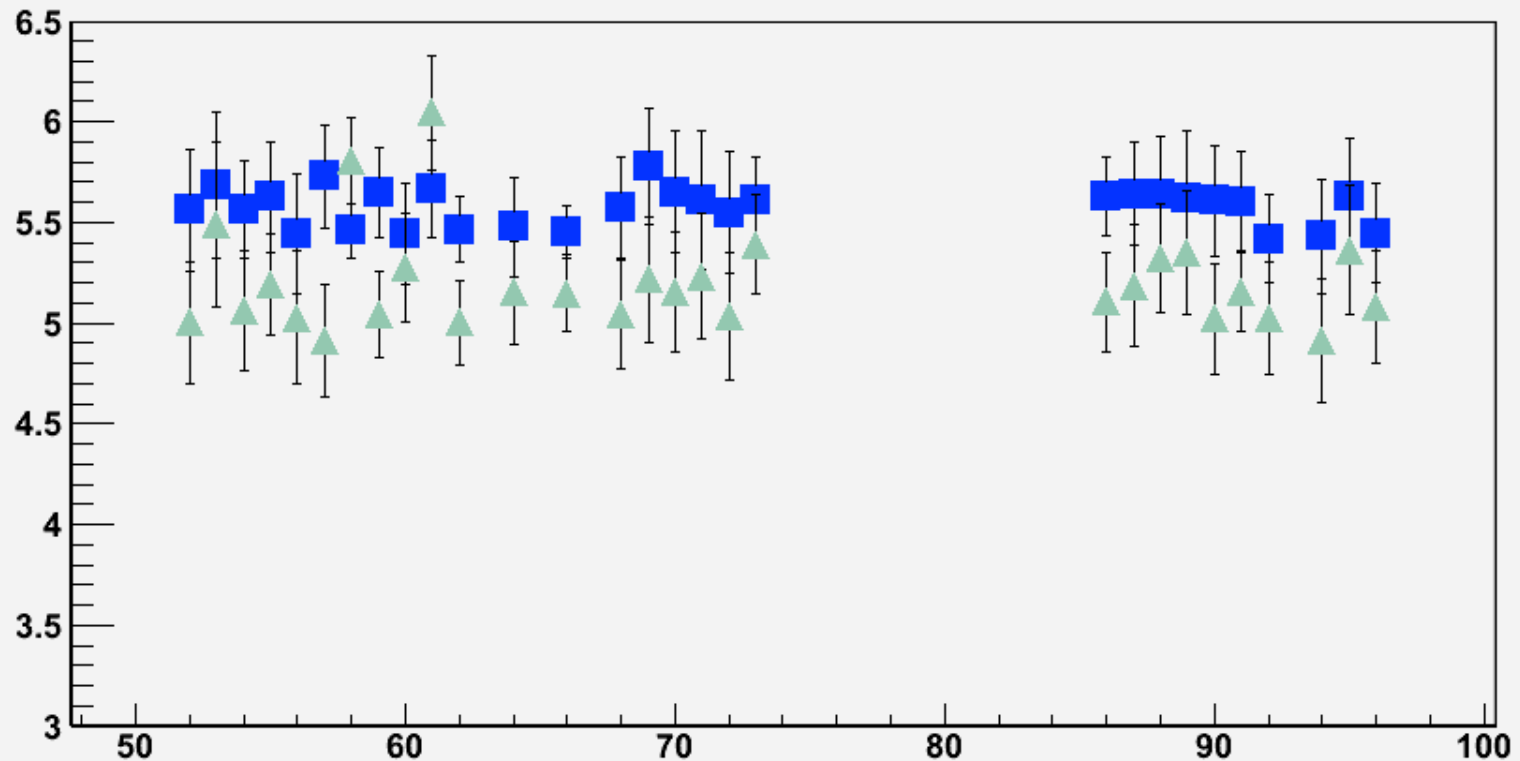


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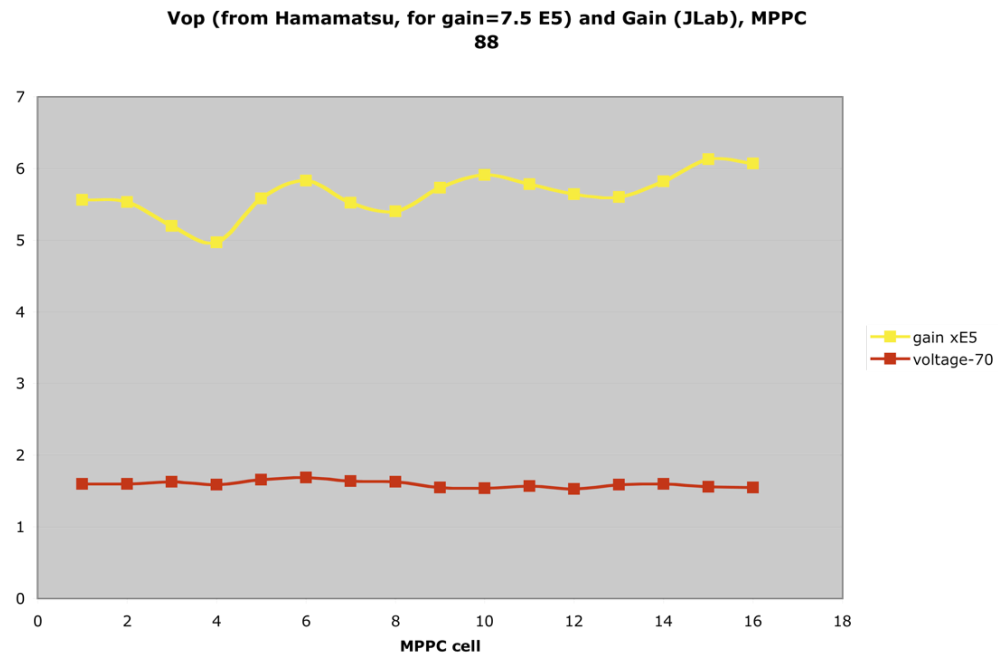
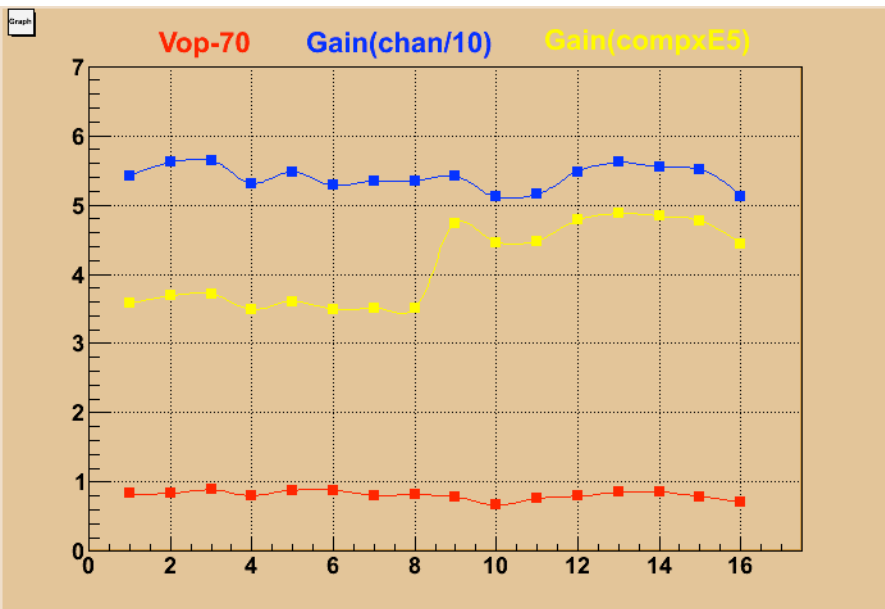
RESULTS FROM STATION 2

\* Gain for 29 MPPCs ▲ -USM ■ - JLAB

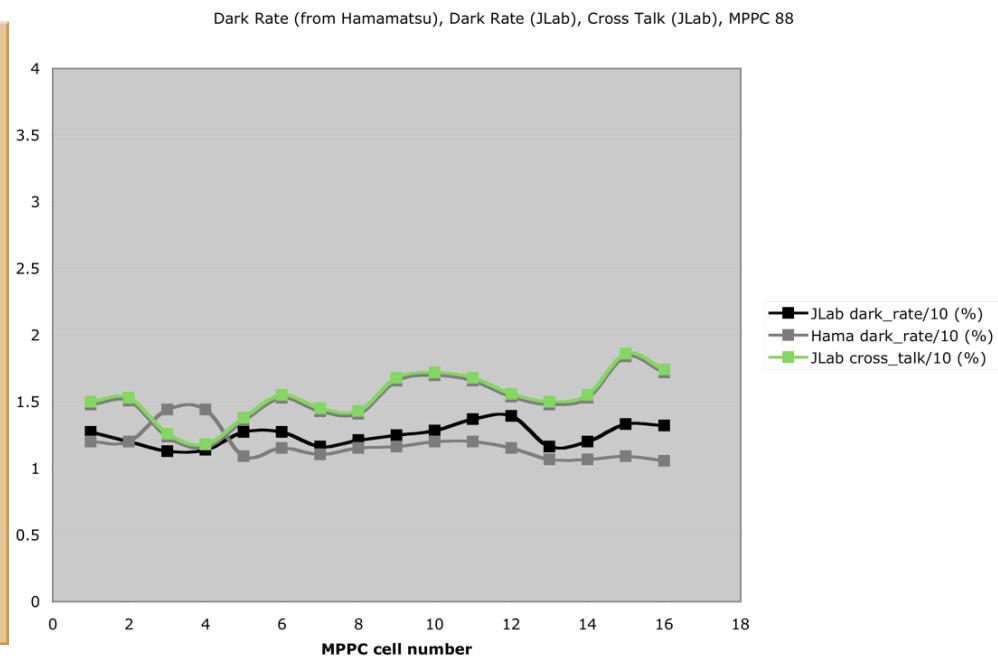
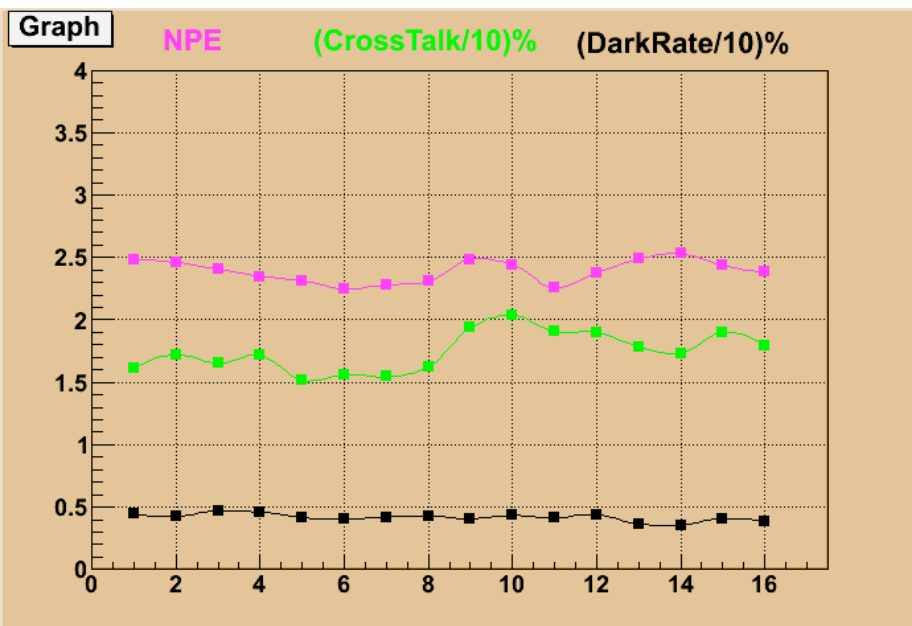
Graph

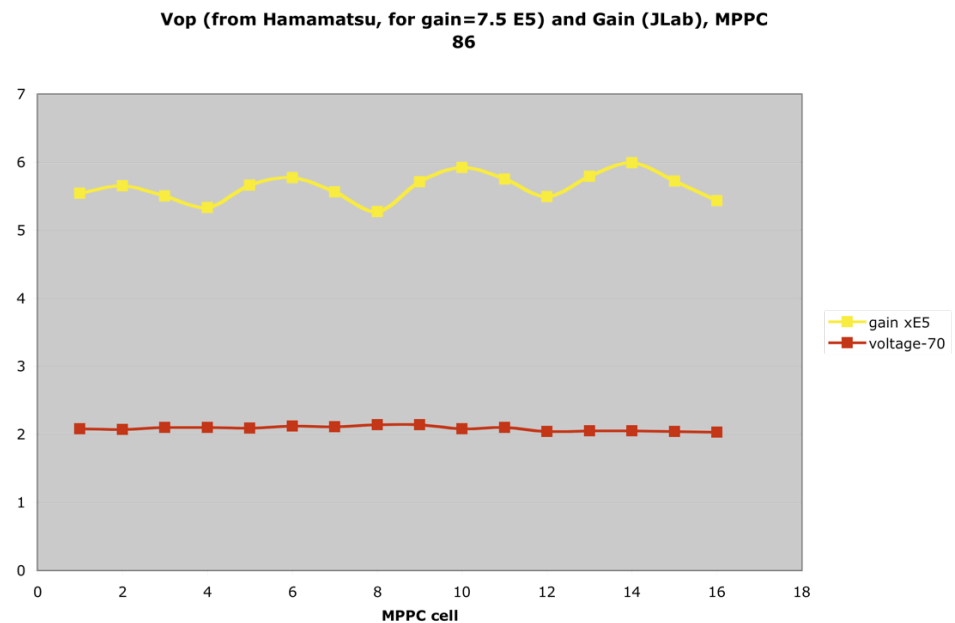
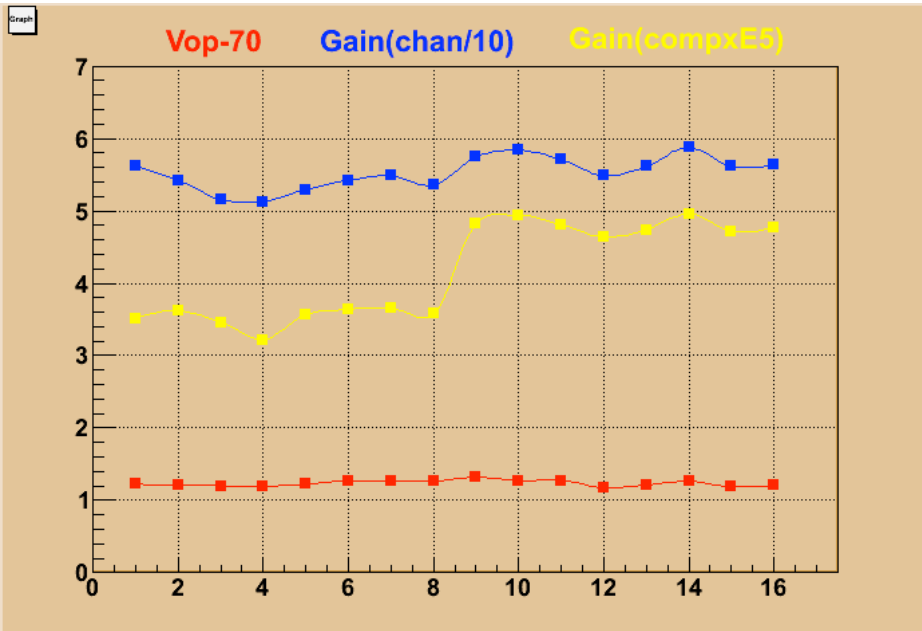




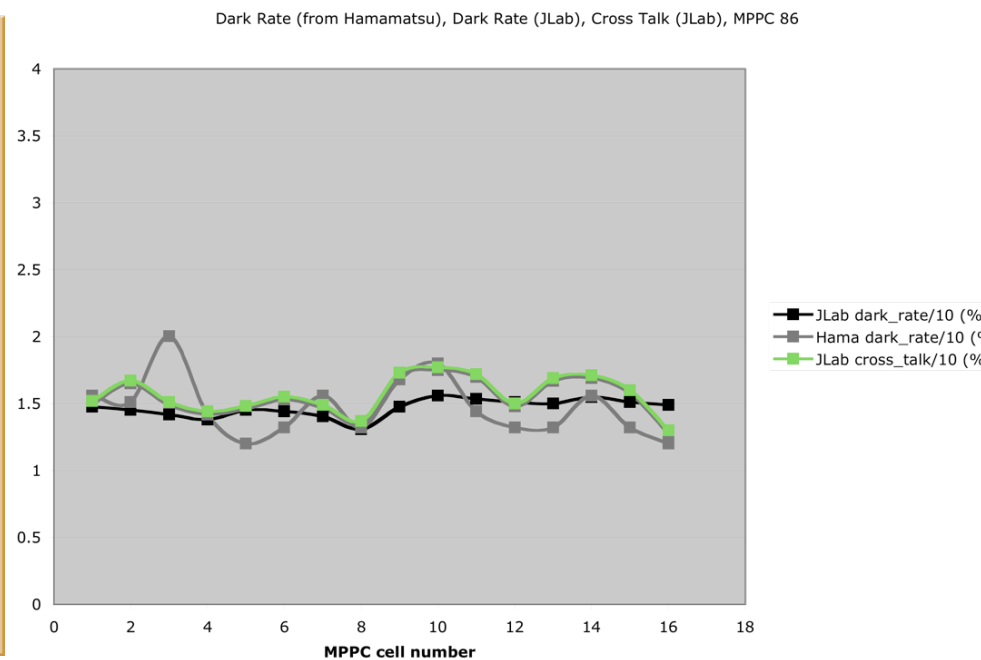
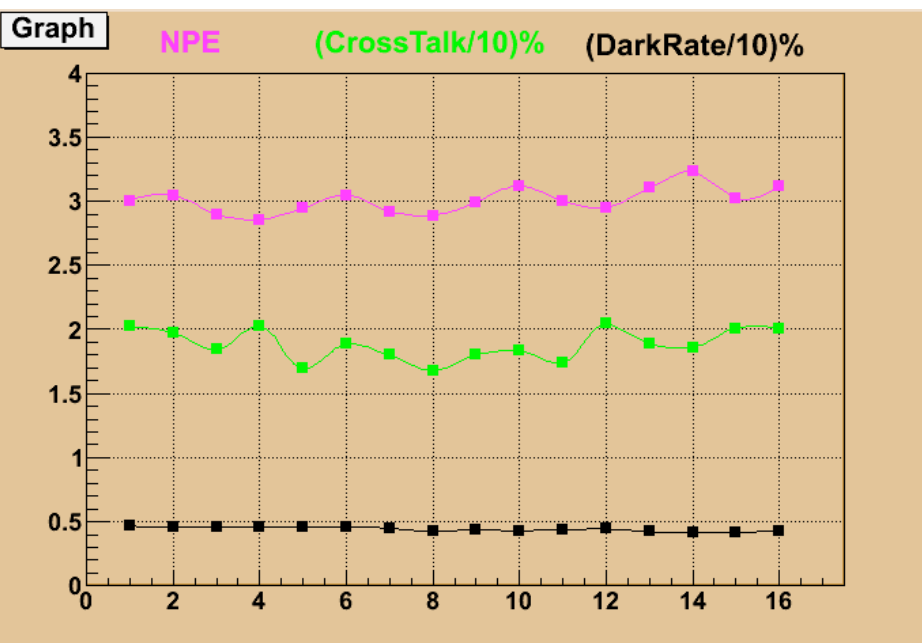


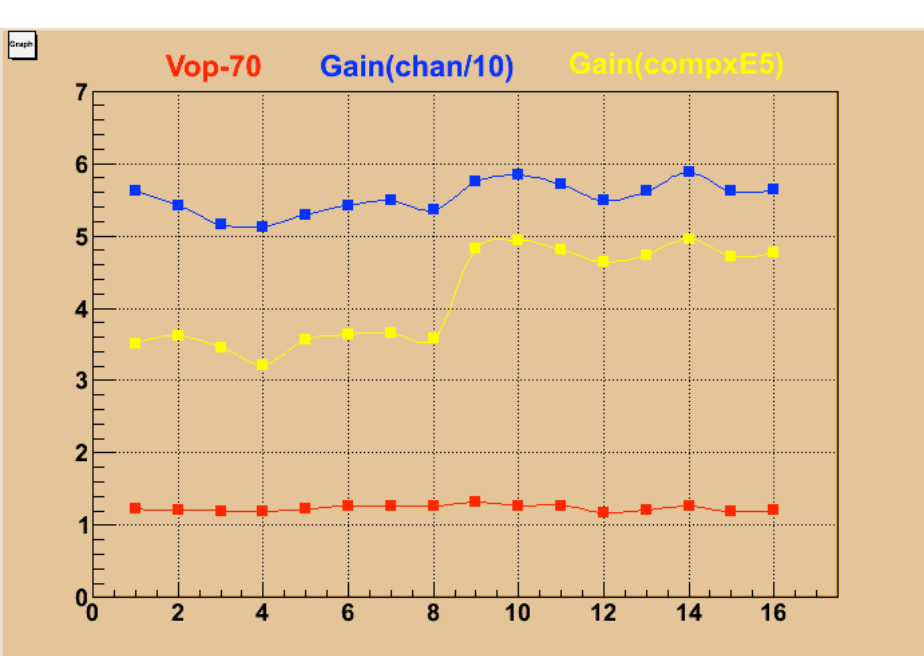
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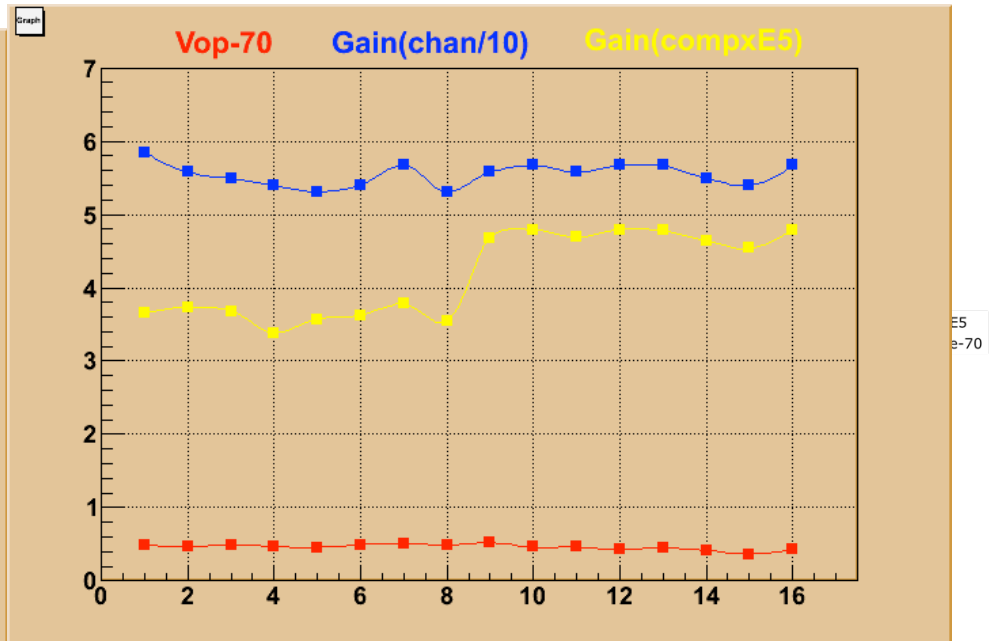


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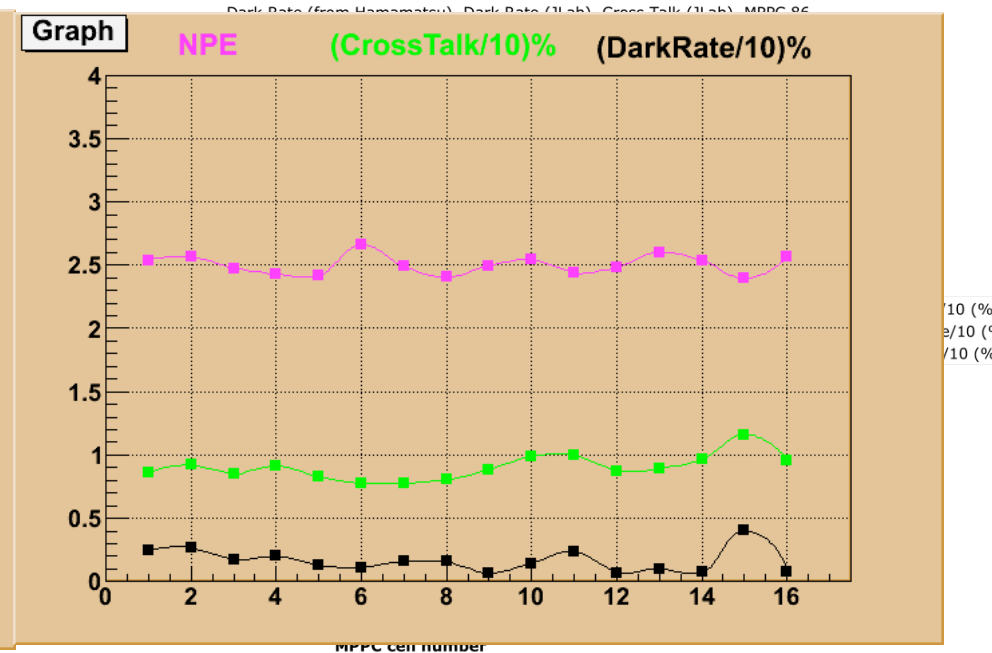
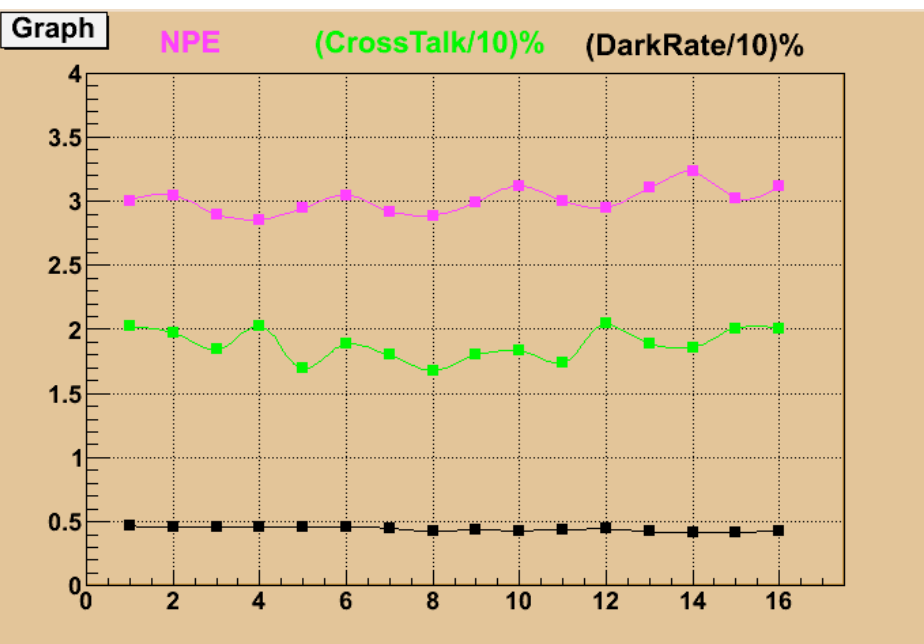




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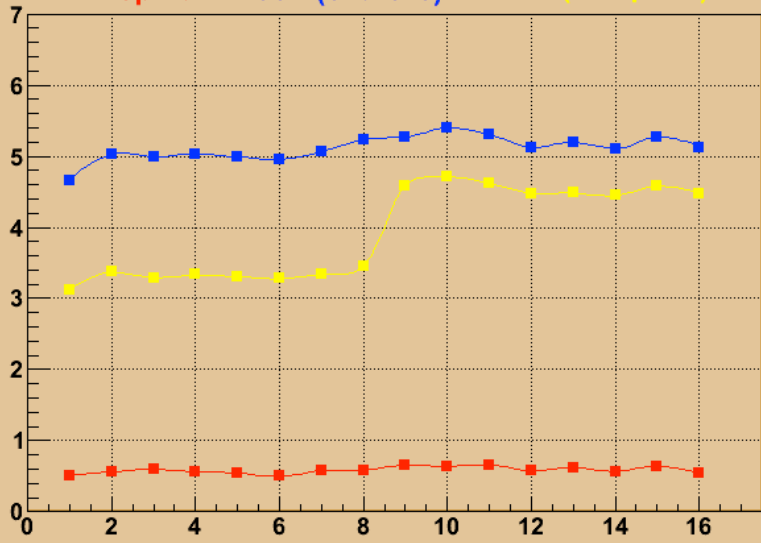
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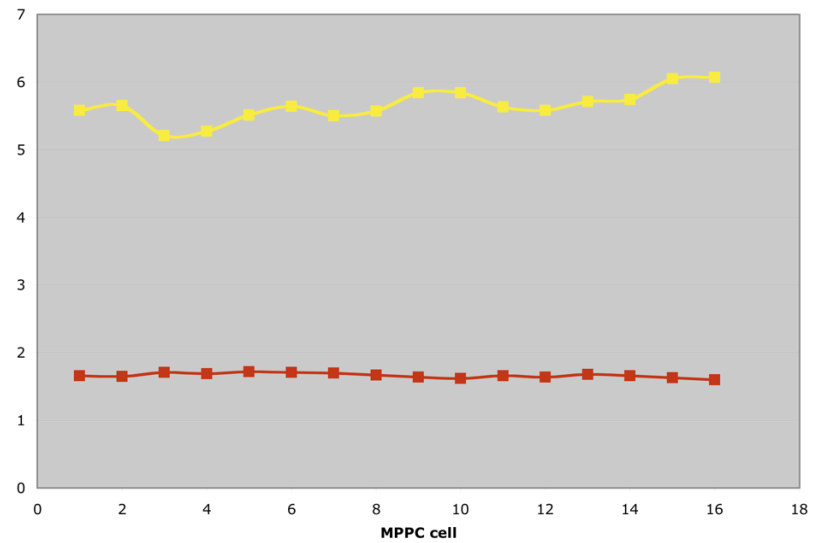


Graph

Vop-70 Gain(chan/10) Gain(compxE5)



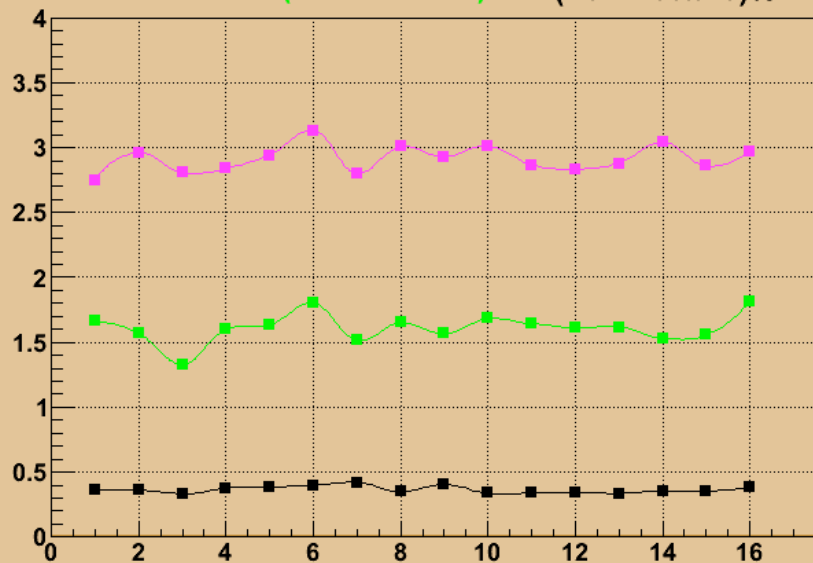
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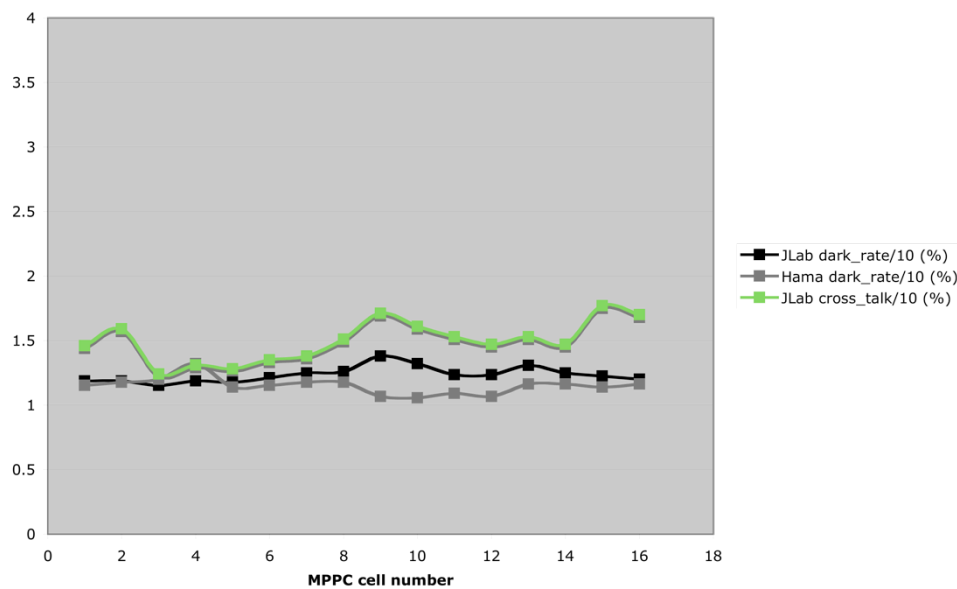
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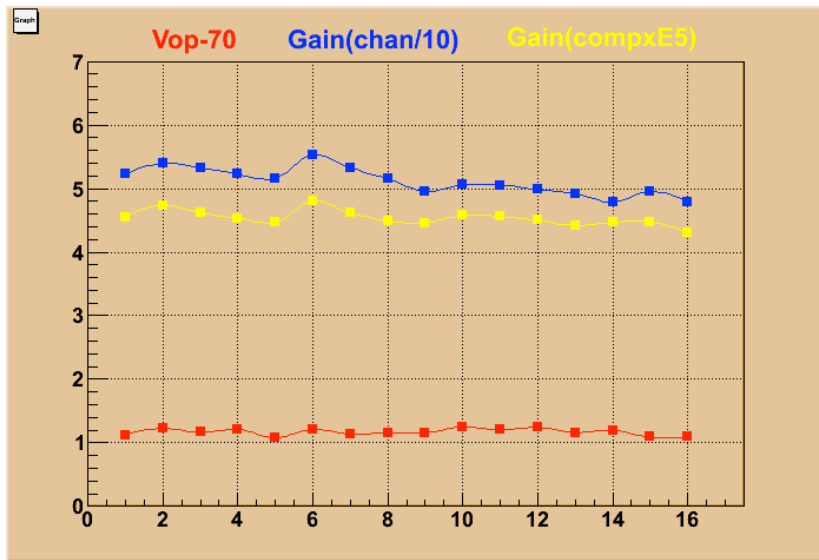
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NPE (CrossTalk/10)% (DarkRate/10)%

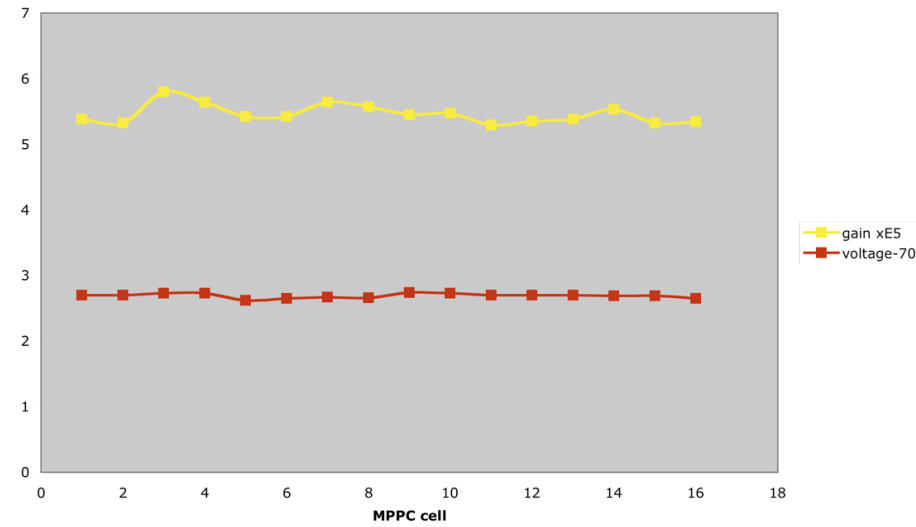


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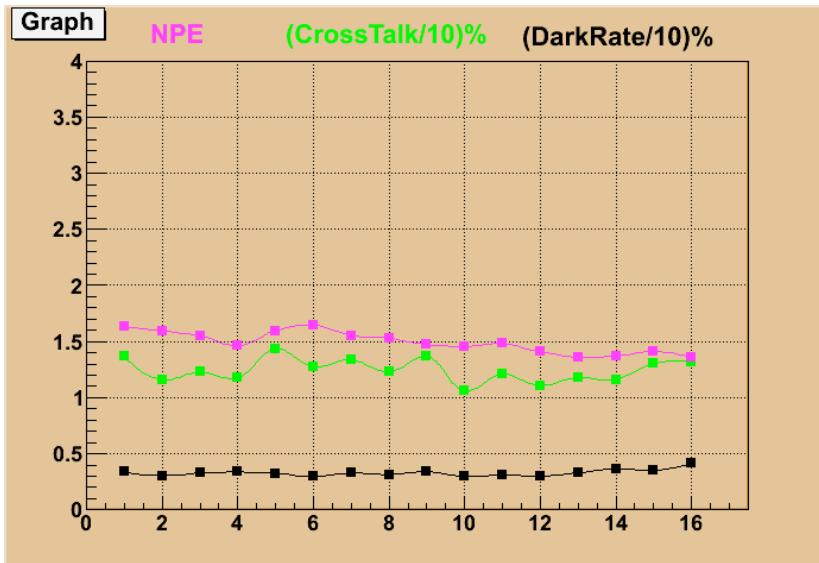




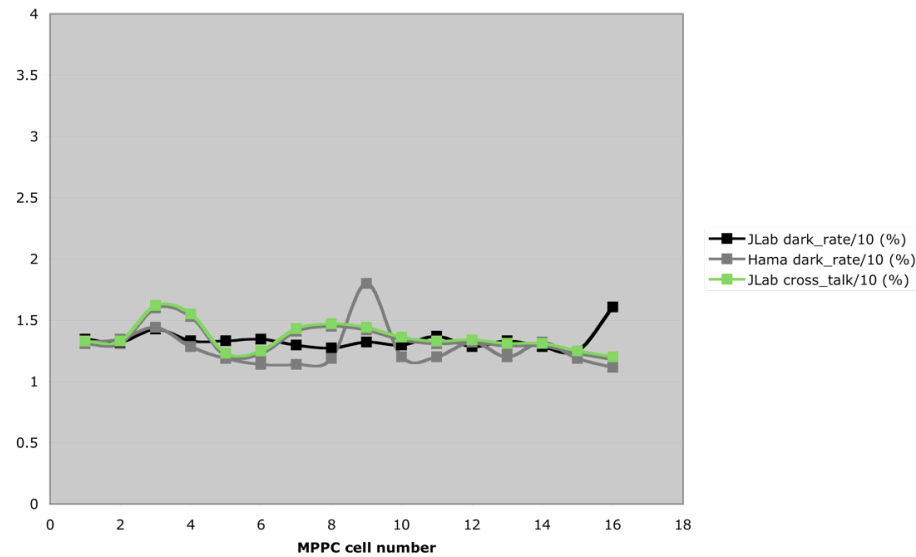
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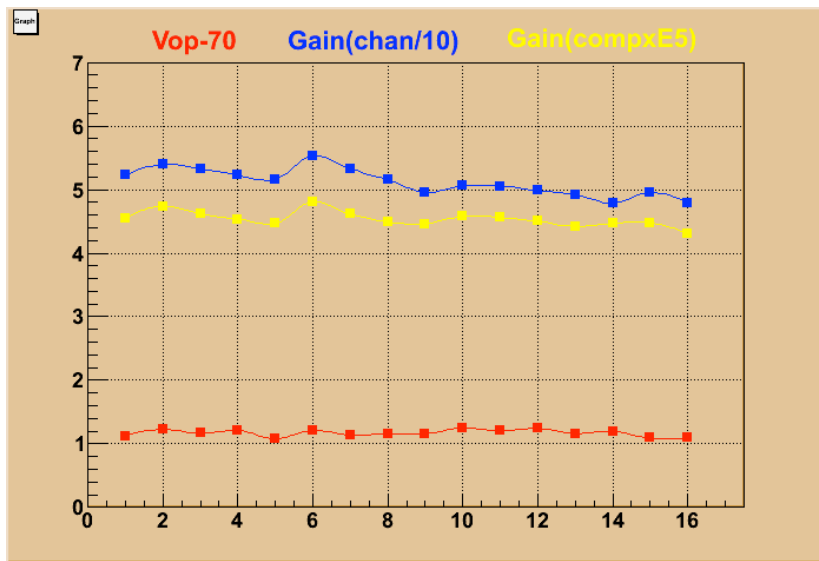


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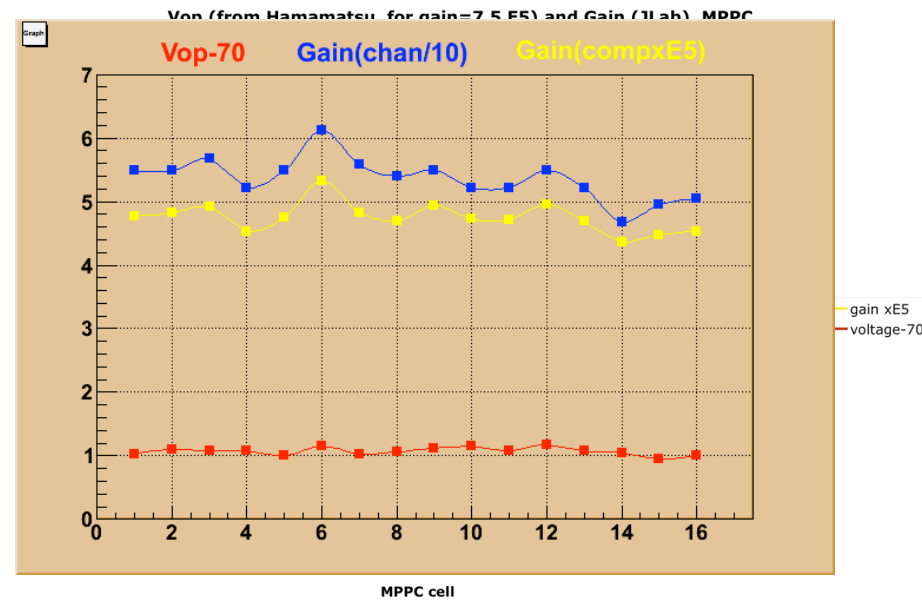


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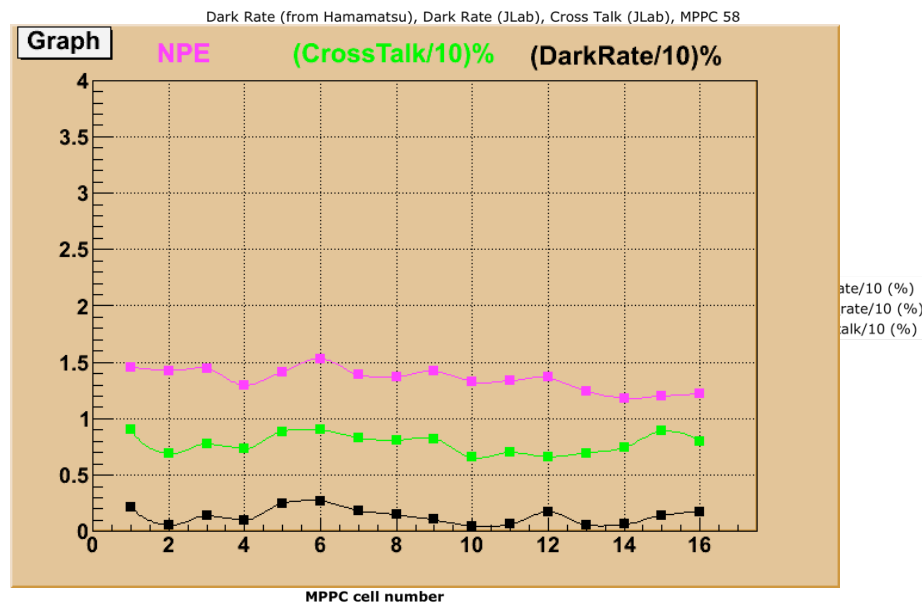
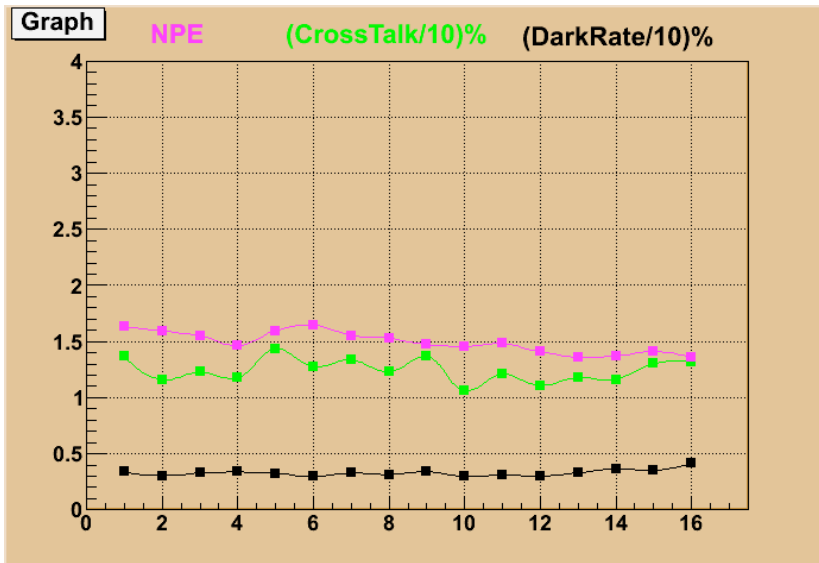




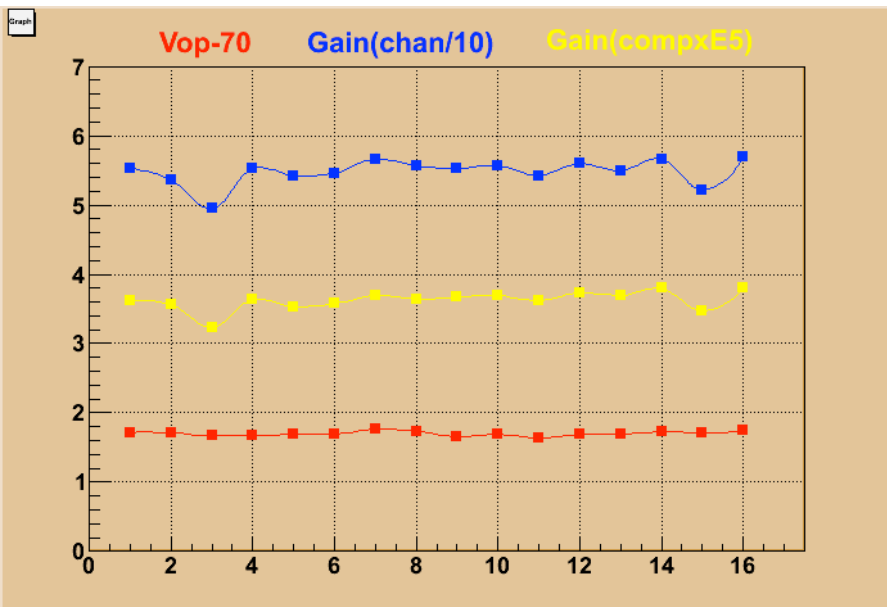
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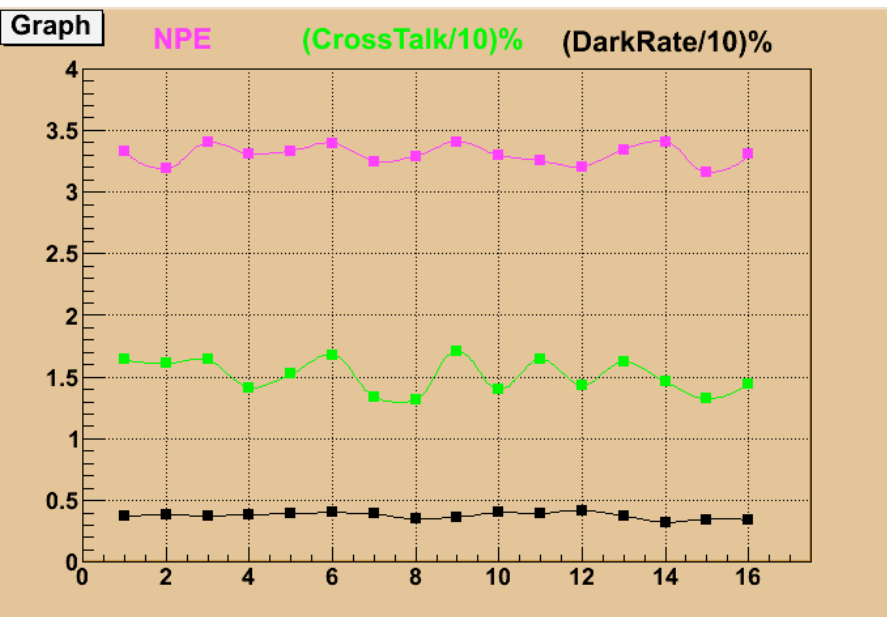
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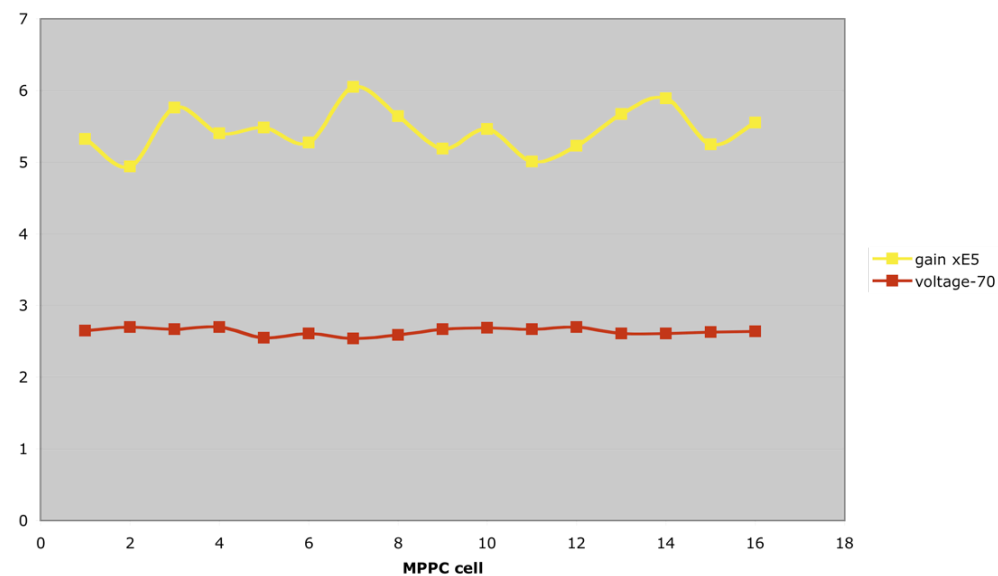




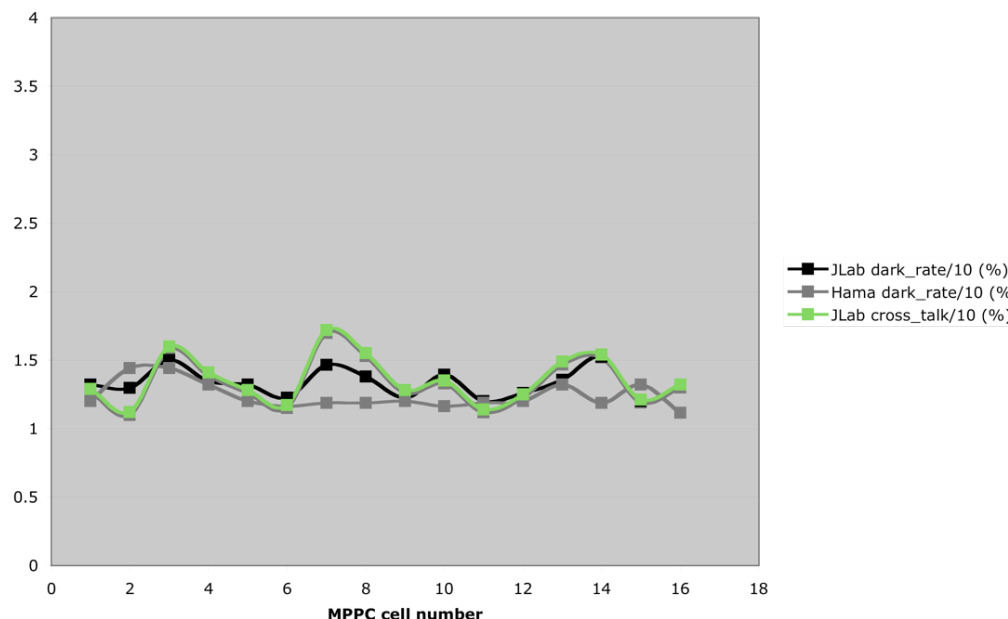
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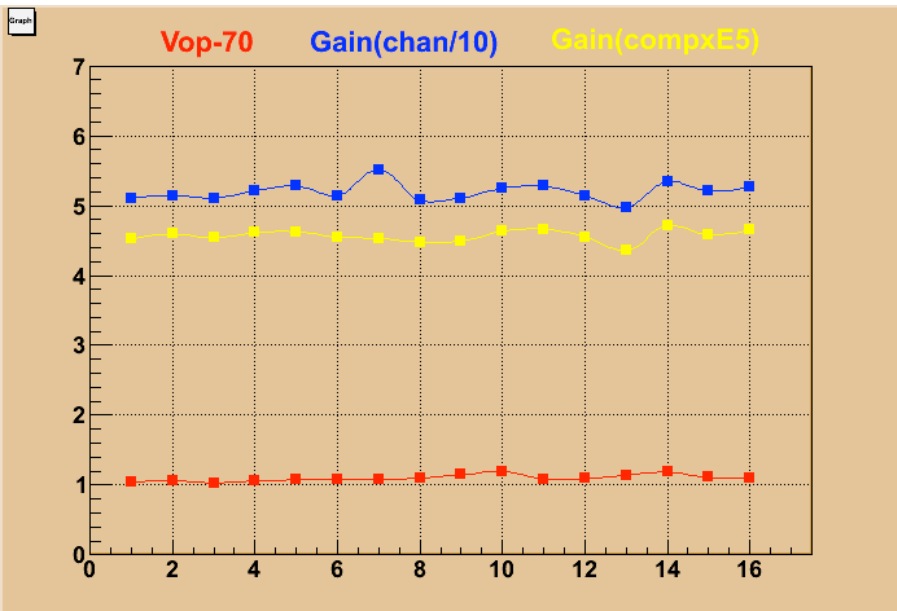


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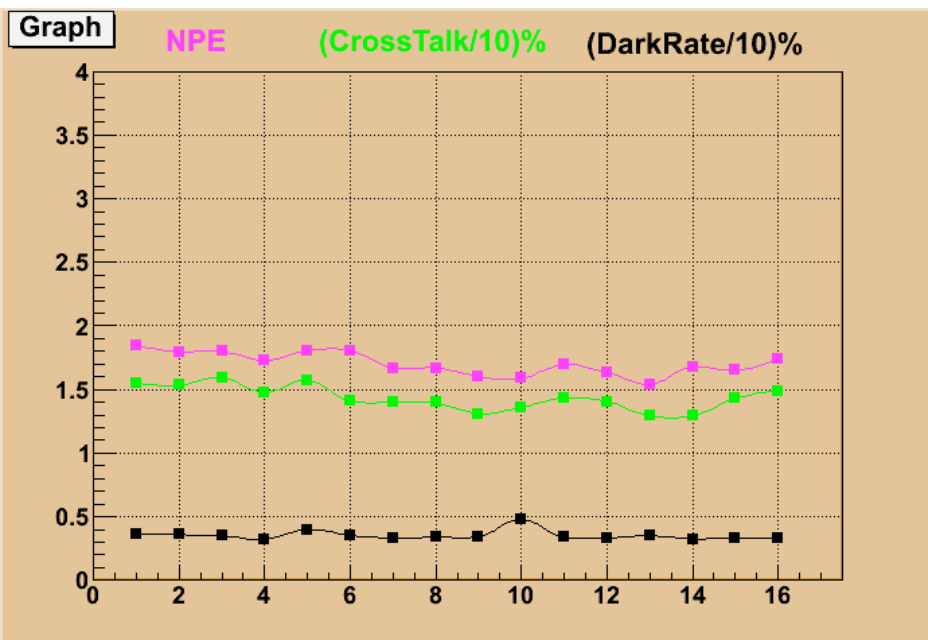


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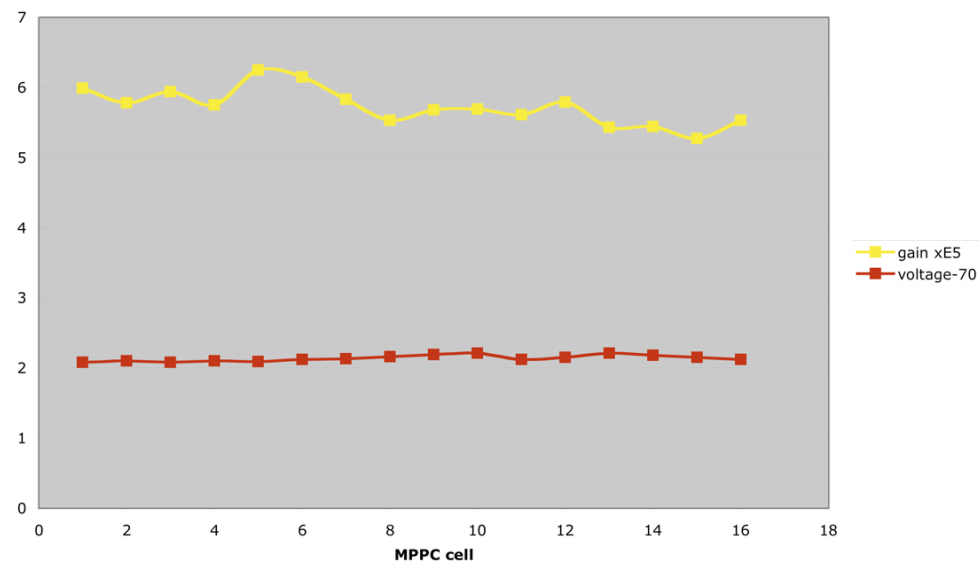




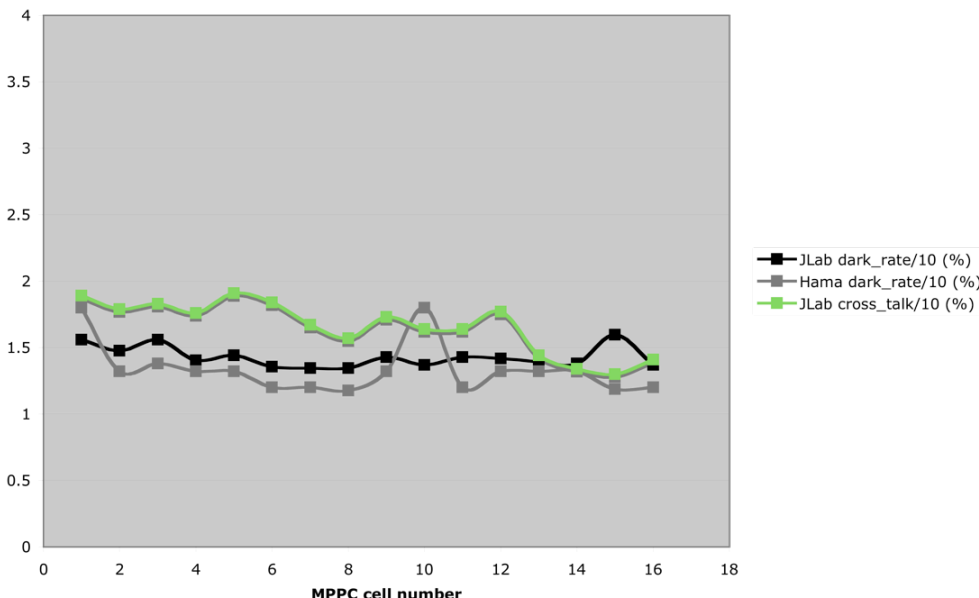
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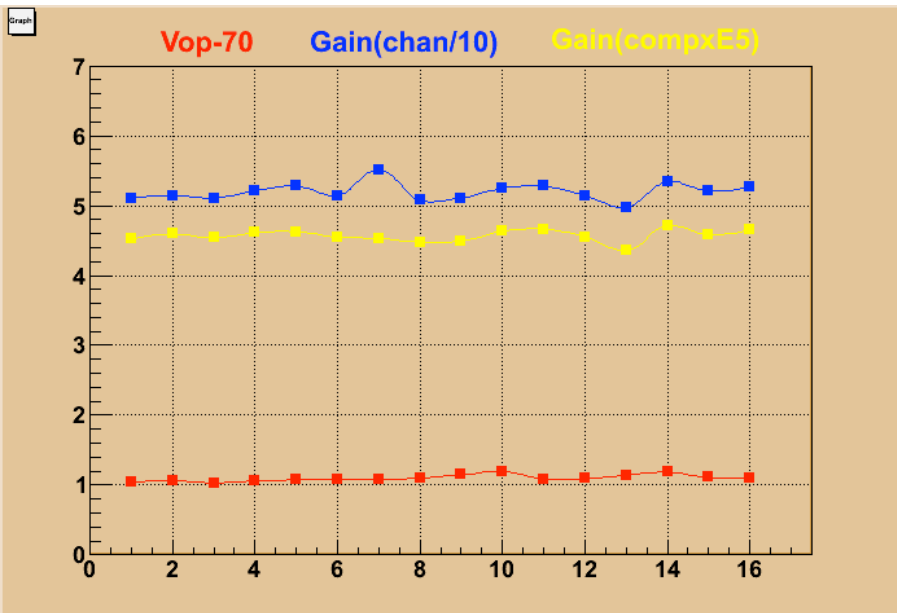
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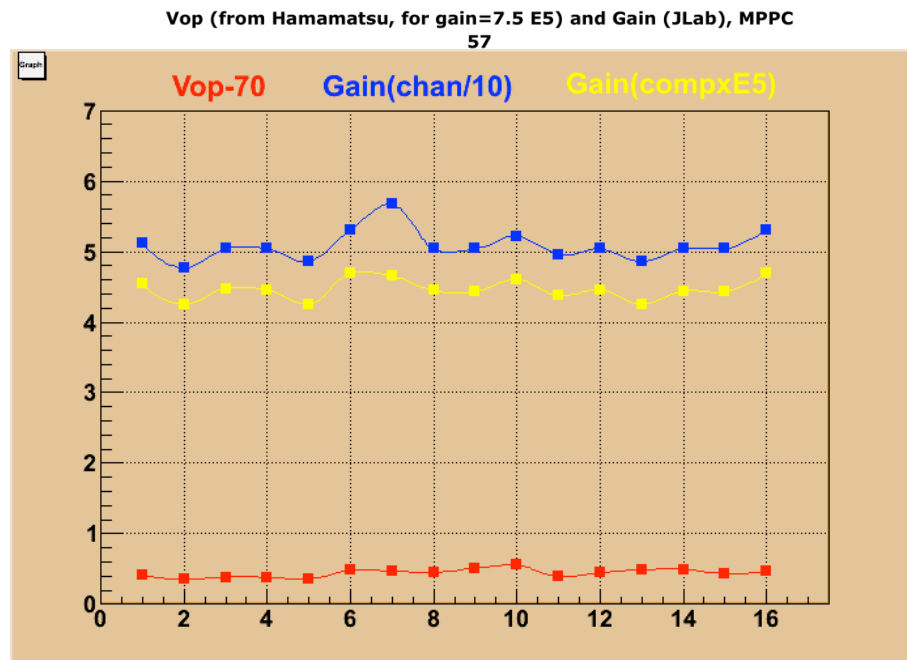
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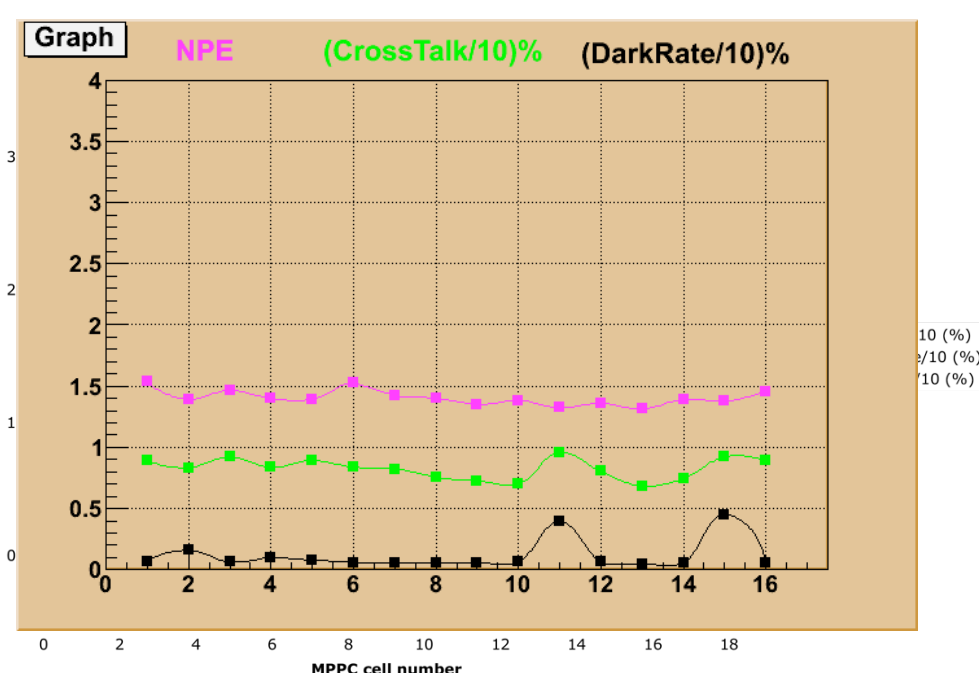
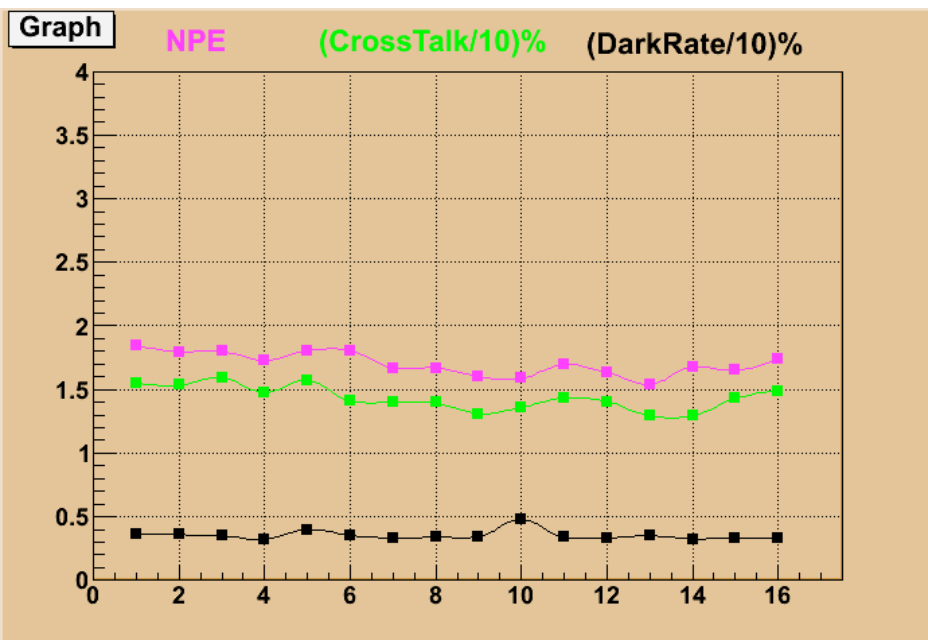


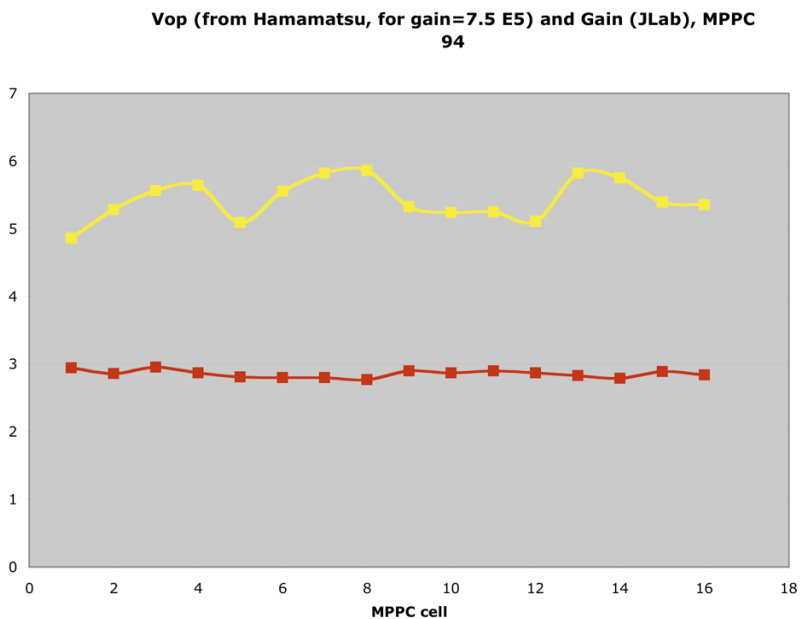
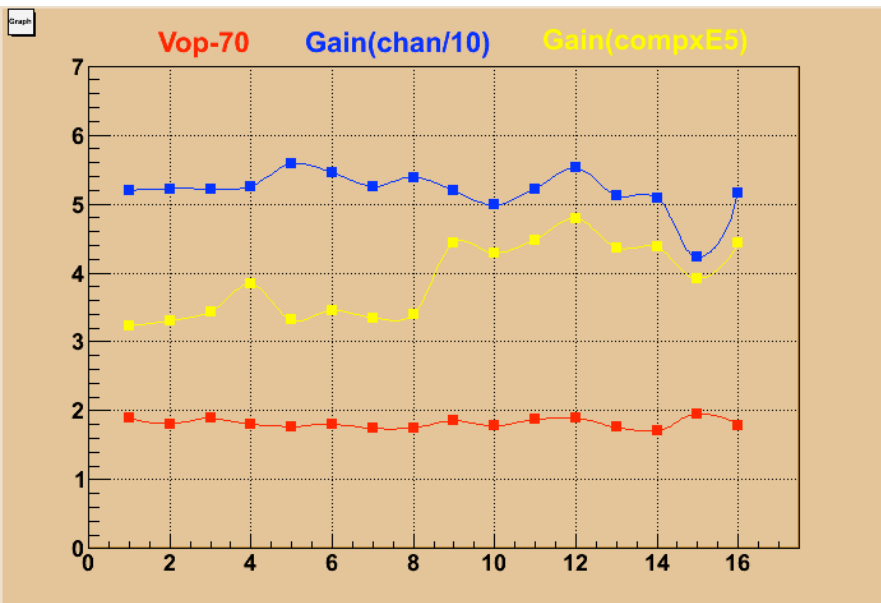


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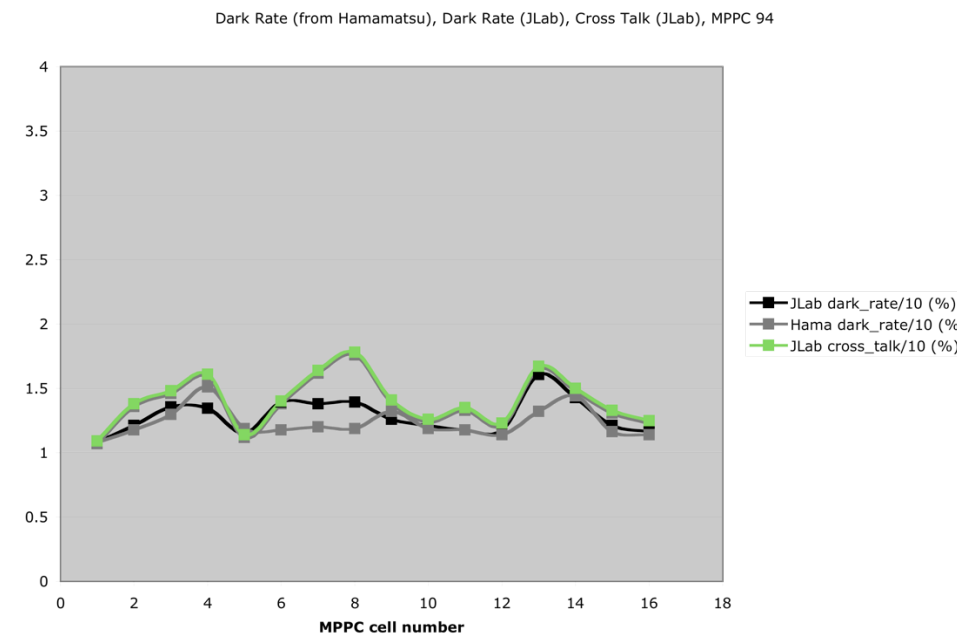
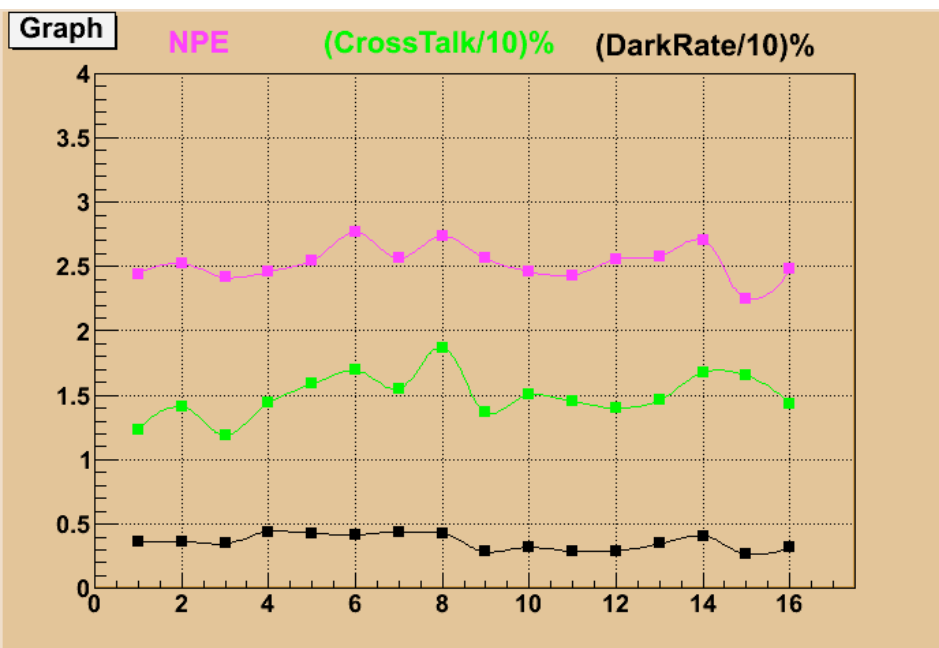


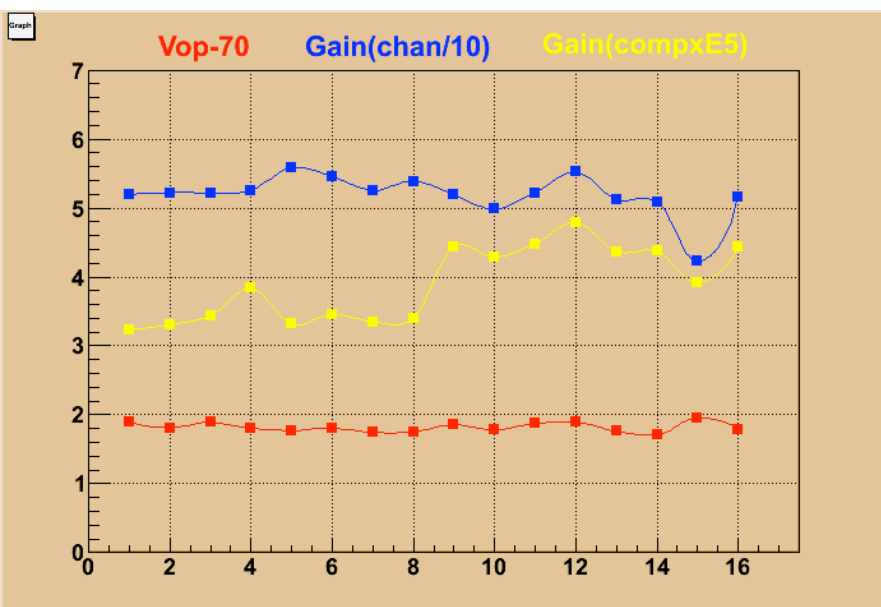
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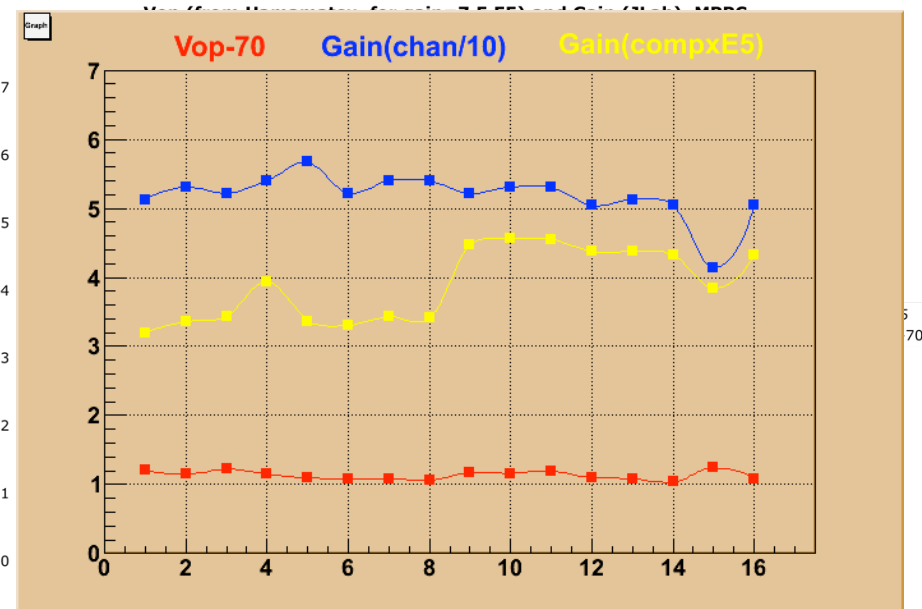


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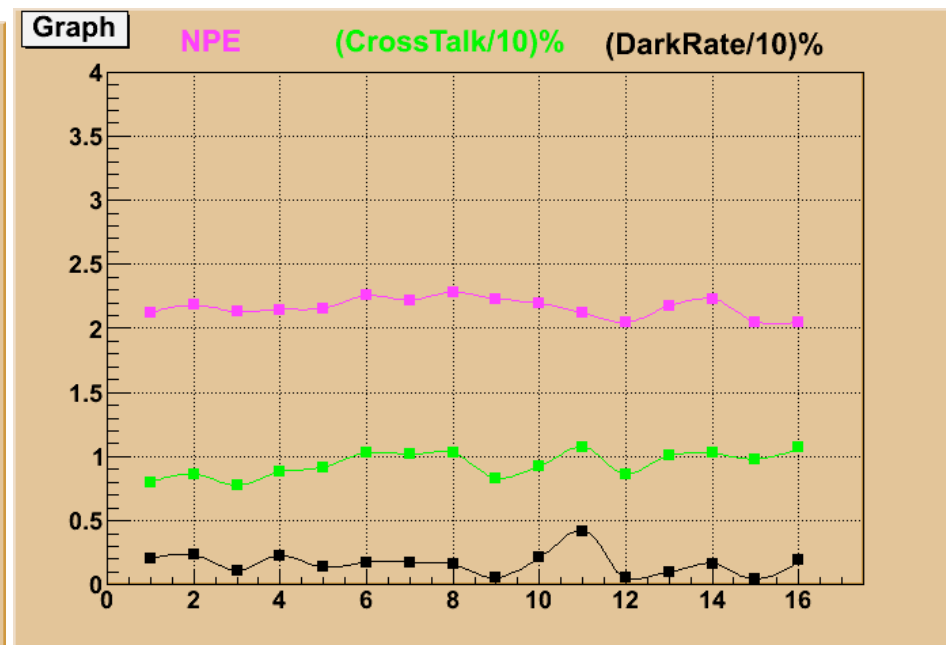
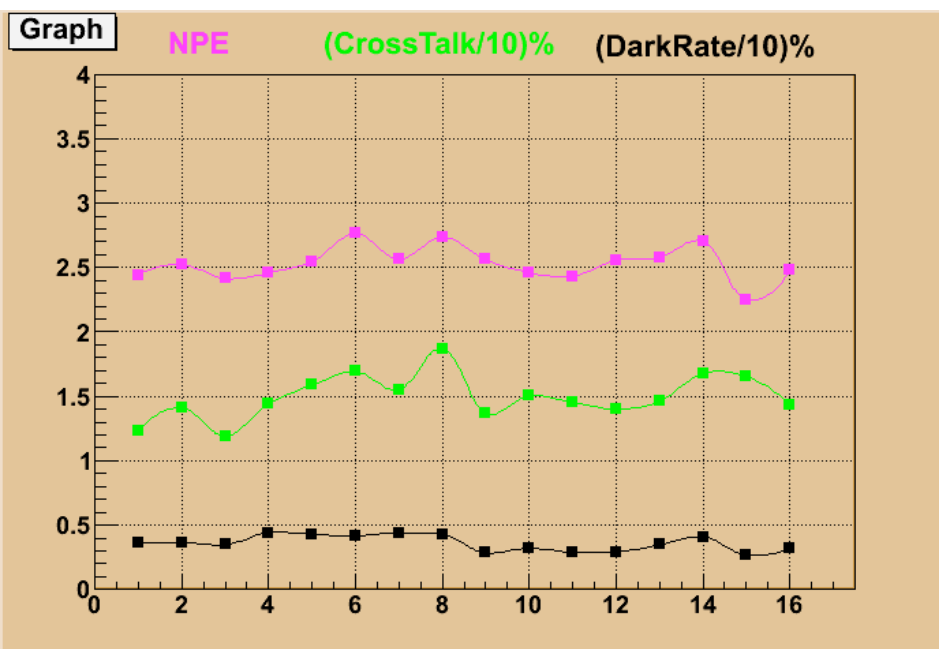




20°C



5°C





# OBSERVATIONS

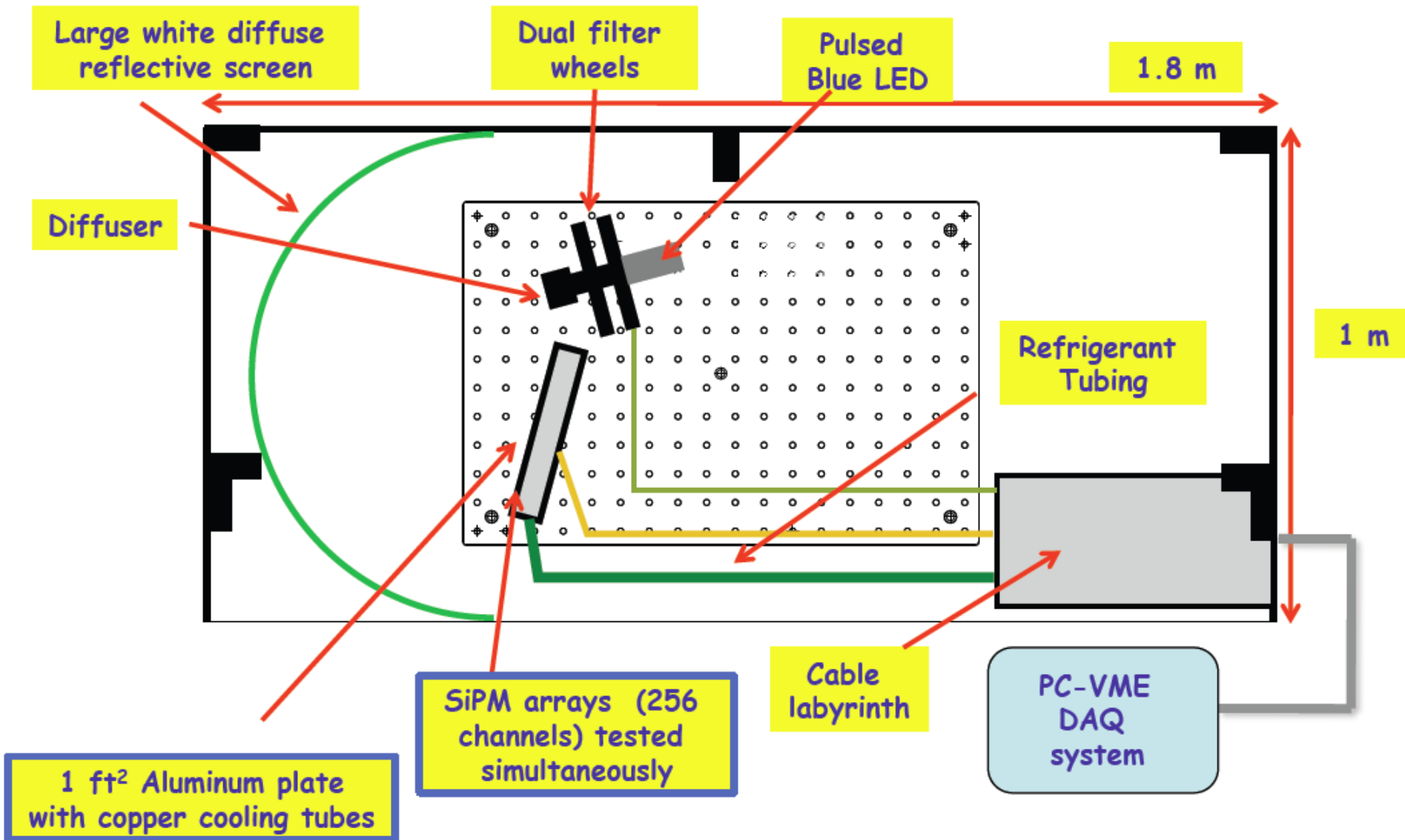
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- ☐ USM PDE MEASUREMENTS ARE FAIRLY CONSISTENT WITH THE AVERAGE OF REGINA'S LASER MEASUREMENT, AND ARE LARGER THAN JLAB'S PDE BY ABOUT 20% (PDE ~21% VS. ~25%). THESE MEASUREMENTS ALL USE DIFFERENT APPROACHES.
- ☐ USM CROSS TALK MEASUREMENTS GIVE RESULTS VERY CONSISTENT WITH JLAB'S MEASUREMENTS.
- ☐ WE SEEM TO FIND LESS DARK CURRENT THAN JLAB OR HAMAMATSU, EVEN TAKING TEMPERATURE INTO ACCOUNT
- ☐ WE MEASURE A SMALLER GAIN IN STATION 3 THAN IN STATION 2 - NEEDS TO BE UNDERSTOOD - 10% EFFECT

# Production SiPM Units Test at Jefferson Lab

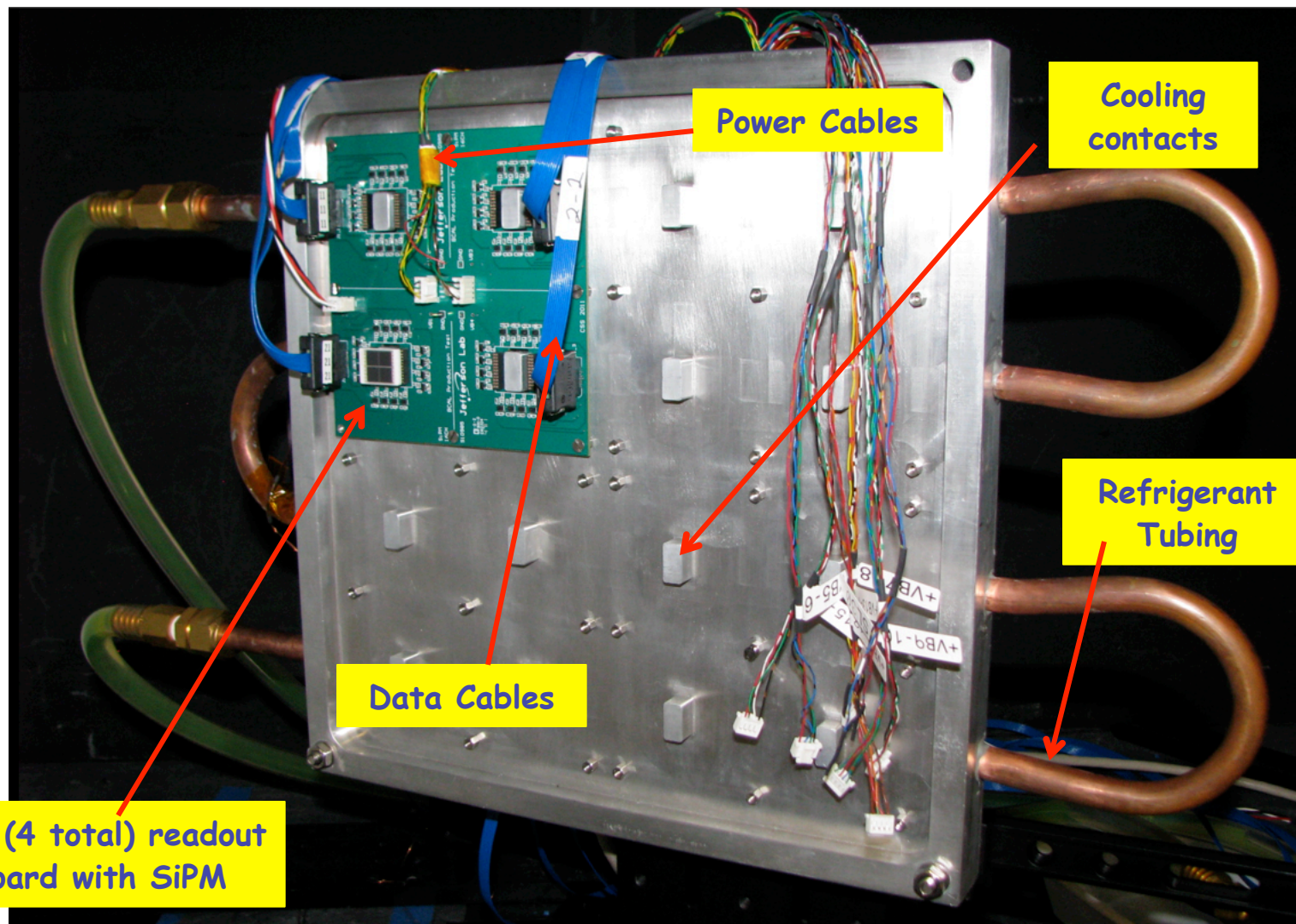
# Hardware Setup: Dark Box

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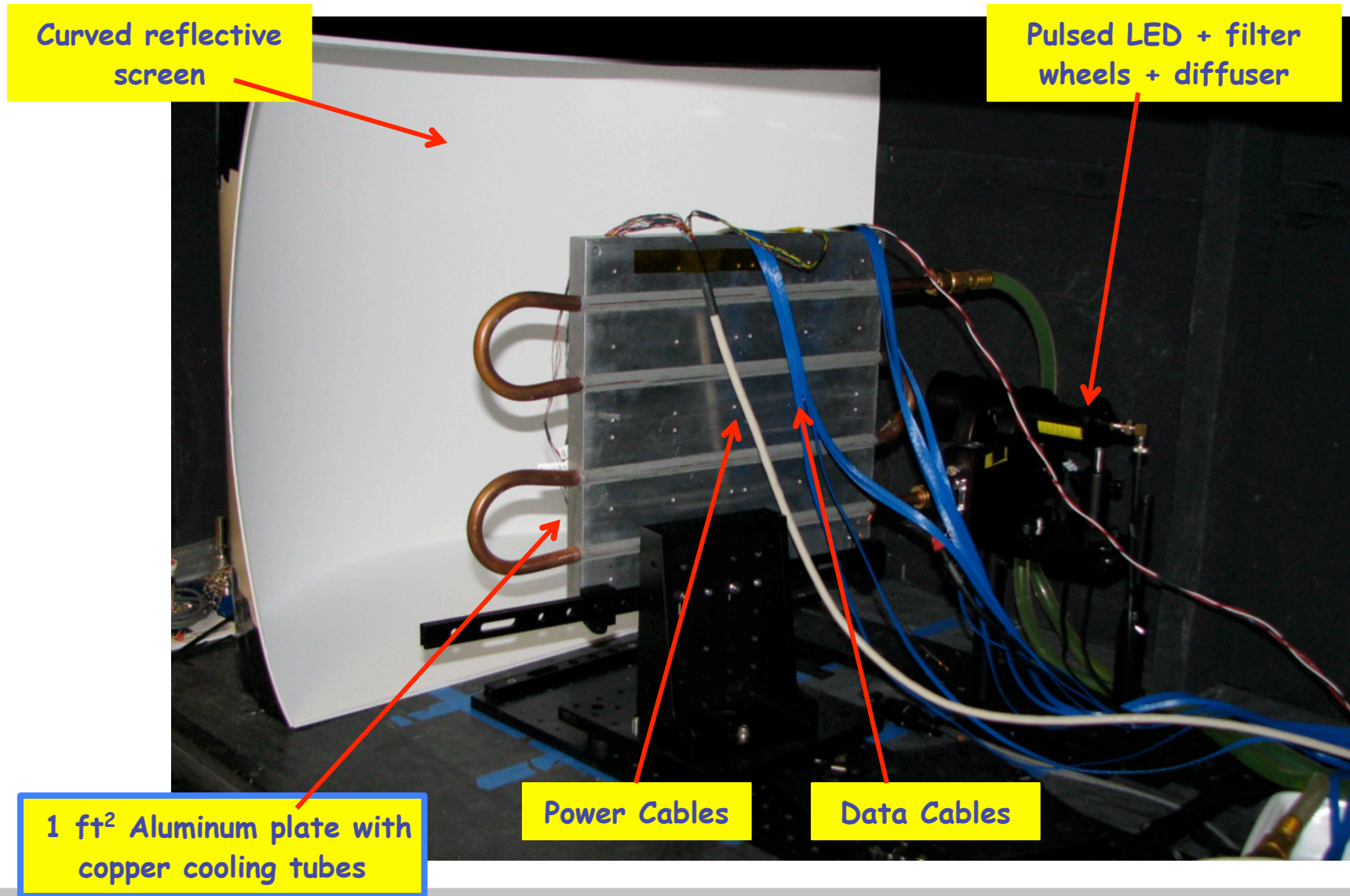




# SiPM Test Station – SiPM Test Plate

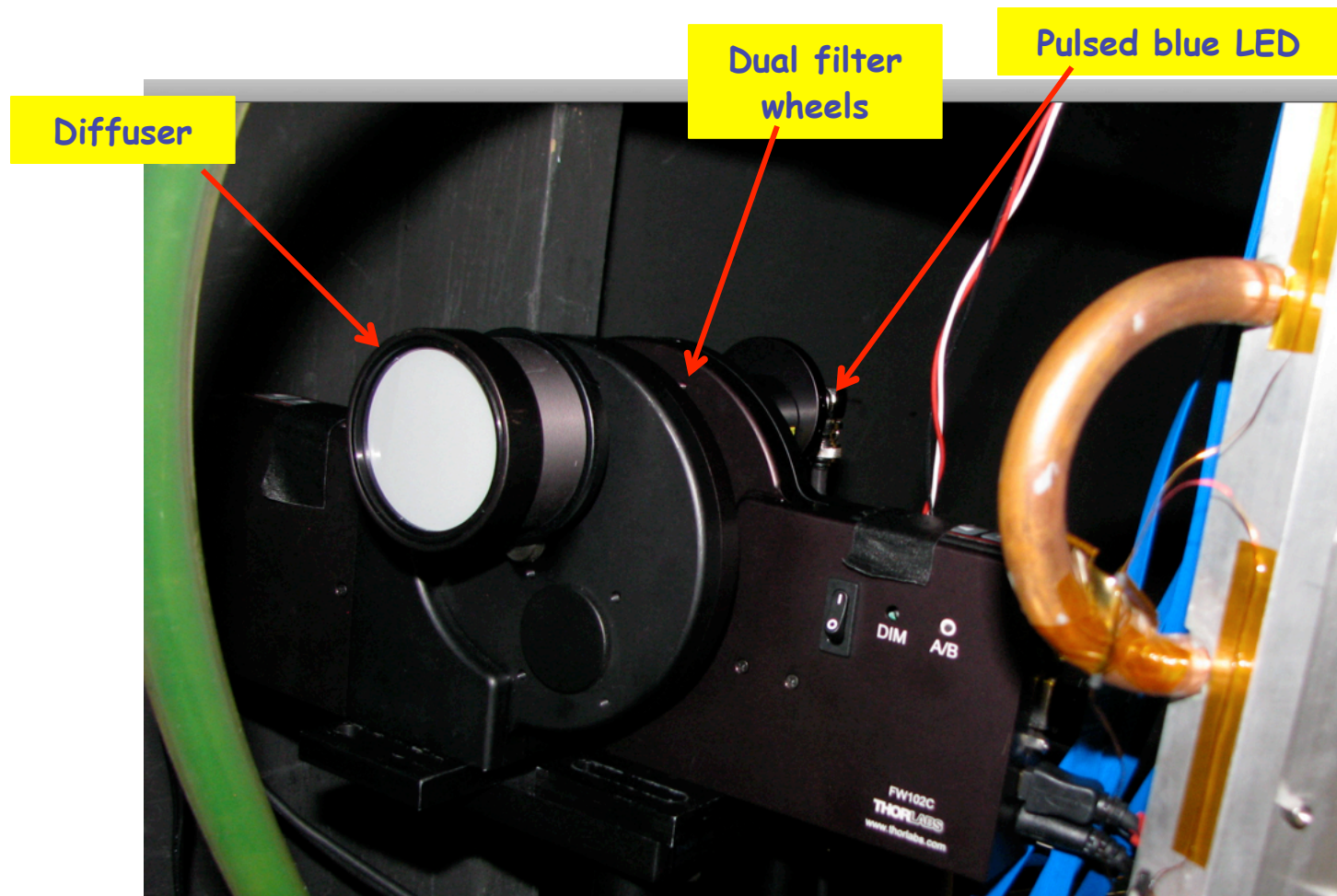


# SiPM Test Station – SiPM Illumination





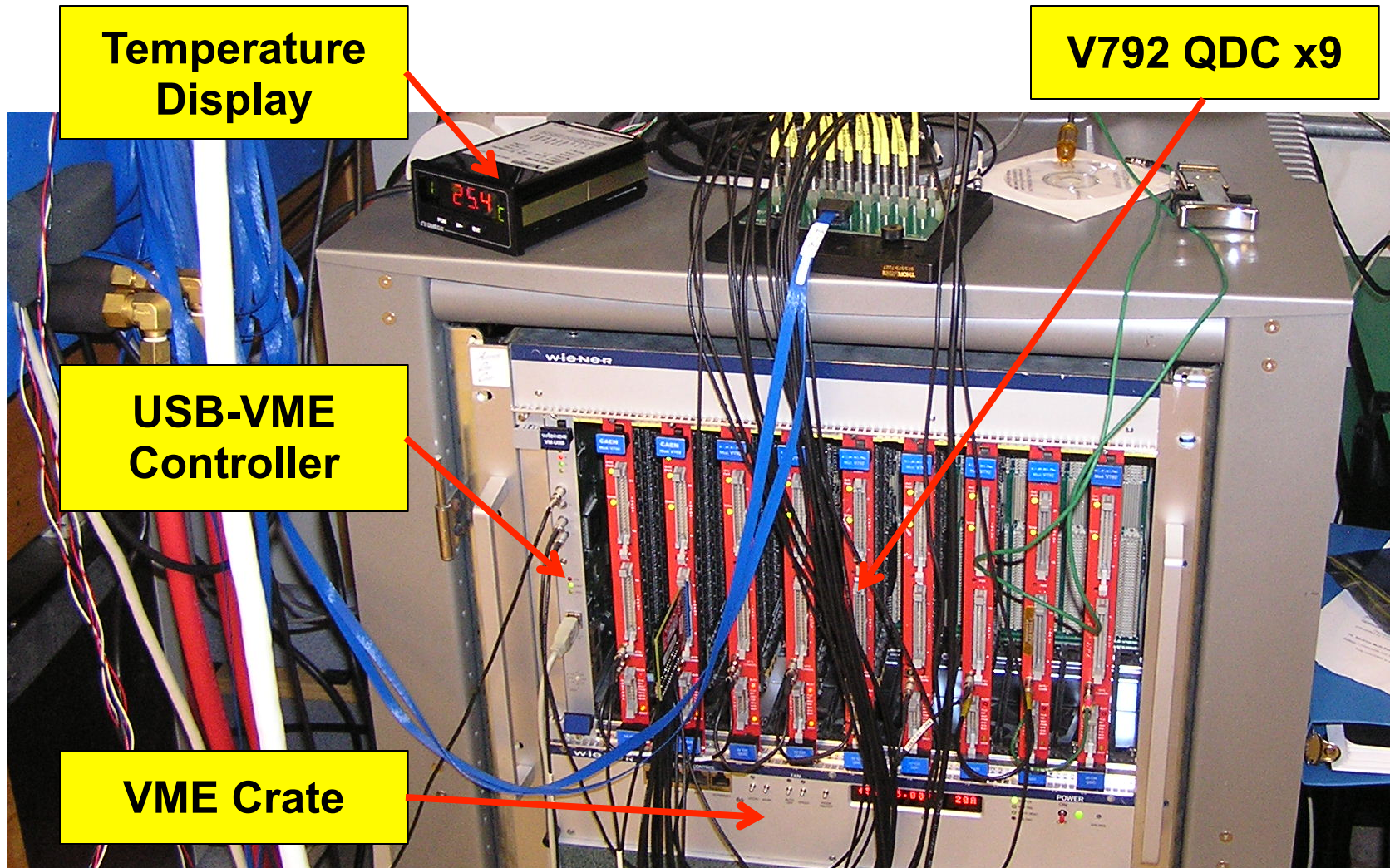
# SiPM Test Station – Light Source





# DAQ Hardware

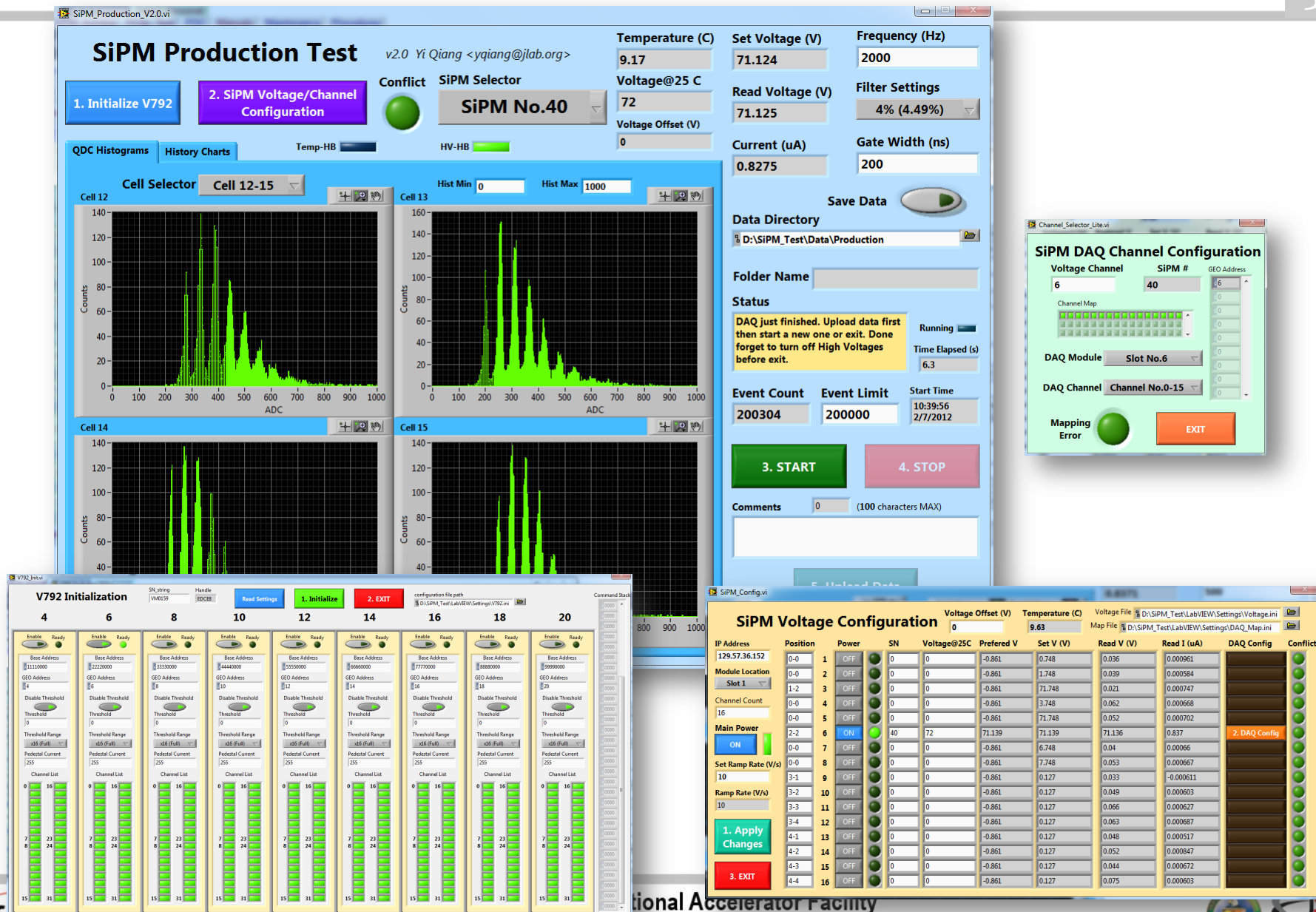
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- MySQL database to store spec and test info
  - ❑ Server: halldweb1.jlab.org
  - ❑ Database: halld\_sipm
  - ❑ Tables: sipm\_spec, sipm\_data ...
- LabVIEW Control of all hardware components
  - ❑ Light source, pulse frequency, filter wheels
  - ❑ SiPM HV control and read back including current
  - ❑ Temperature read back
  - ❑ DAQ control and record data
  - ❑ Upload data to JLab farm disk: /work/halld/Subsystems/SiPM/production
  - ❑ Automatically fill new info to MySQL database
- Analysis scripts
  - ❑ ROOT fitting scripts: extract gain, PDE, cross-talk ...
  - ❑ Perl scripts to do batch analysis locally or on JLab batch farm
  - ❑ Automatically exchange info with MySQL database
- ELOG: <https://halldweb1.jlab.org/elog-halld/SiPM/>

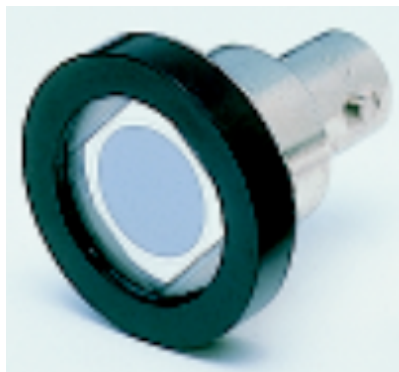
# LabVIEW Screens

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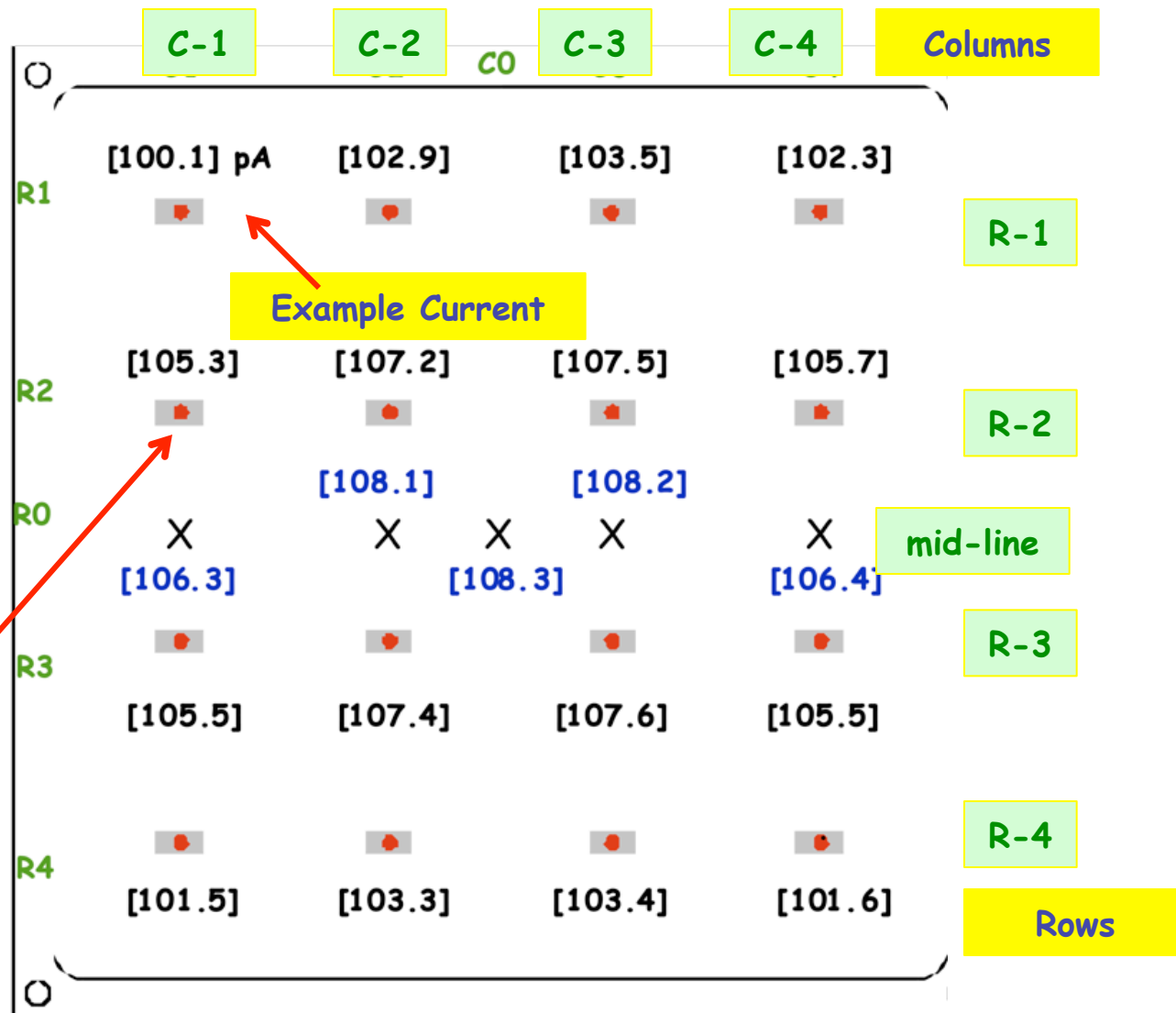


# Illumination Uniformity of Test Plate



Scan with S2281 diode ~ 1 cm Ø  
run LED at high freq (300 kHz) to get good signal

SiPM position



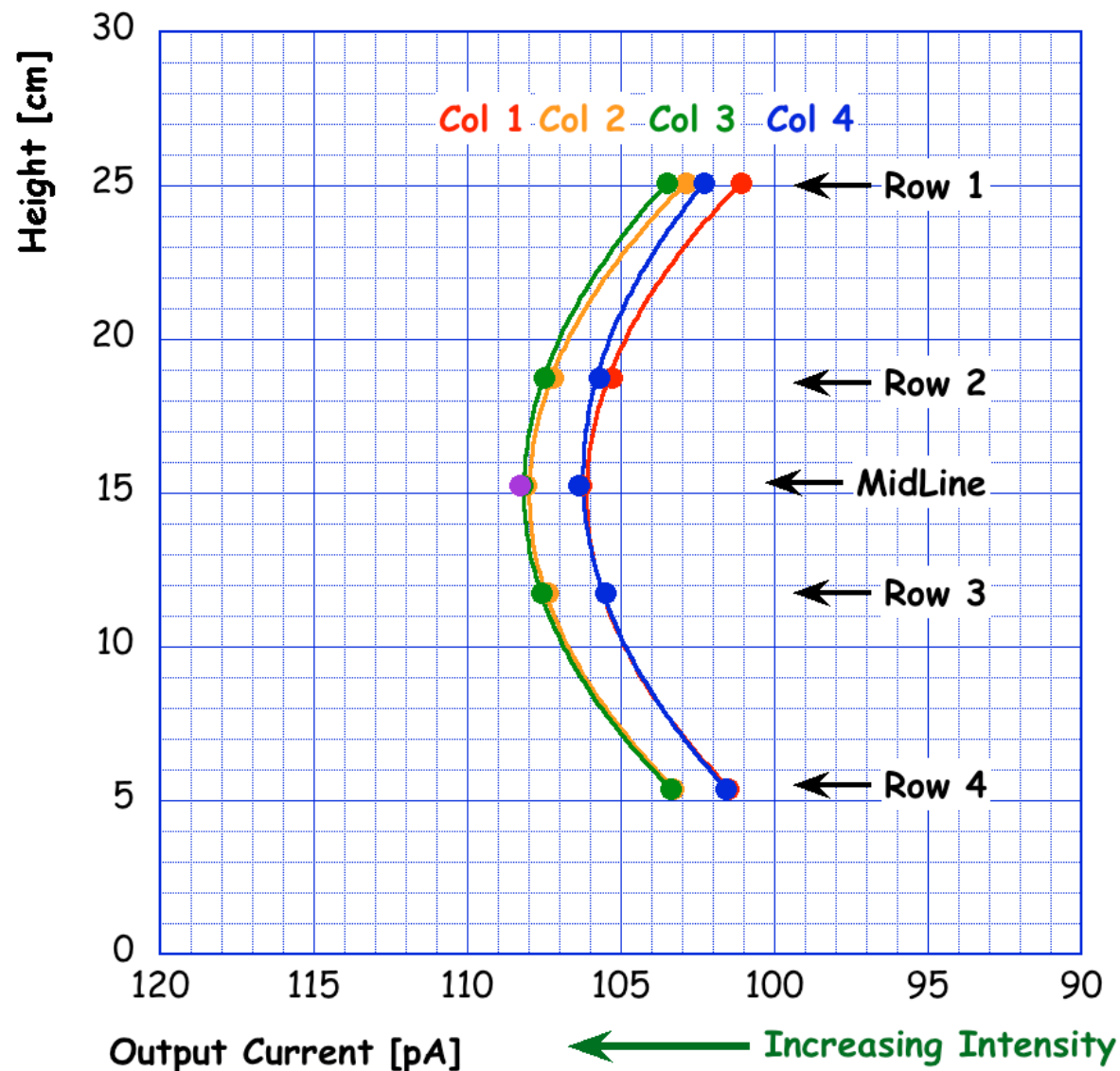
# Illumination Uniformity of Test Plate



Variation in Rows (1,4) & (2,3) = 1%

Inner Rows (2,3) are 4% > Outer Rows (1,4)

get good signal

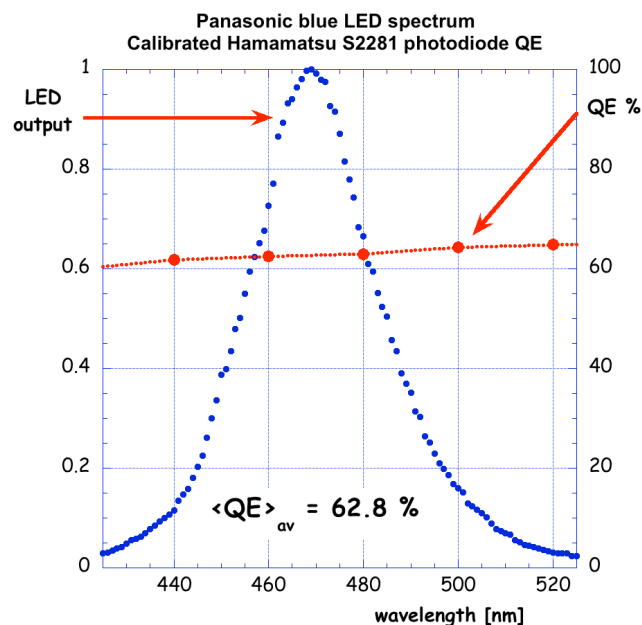


# Illumination Uniformity and Photon Flux Calibration

- There is also albedo effect - when bare Al plate in place, 4% increase in intensity compared to covered plate (w. black cloth)
- Need to re-measure this with all boards, connectors and cables in place - expect it to be much smaller effect
- Basic photon flux calibration:
  - Measure flux at center of plate - then correct for albedo and row position (inner, outer pairs)
- Will check this with 1<sup>st</sup> article samples for comparison

# Illumination Uniformity and Photon Flux Calibration

## LED emission spectrum And Photodiode QE



Current  
[amp]

## (Example) Photon Flux Calibration

$6 \cdot 10^{-10}$

$5 \cdot 10^{-10}$

$4 \cdot 10^{-10}$

$3 \cdot 10^{-10}$

$2 \cdot 10^{-10}$

$1 \cdot 10^{-10}$

0

Slope = [charge] / [pulse]

$1 e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coul}$

$\langle QE \rangle_{av} = 62.8\%$

Photodiode area =  $100 \text{ mm}^2$

Photon flux =  $17 \gamma \text{ mm}^{-2}$

S2281  
photodiode

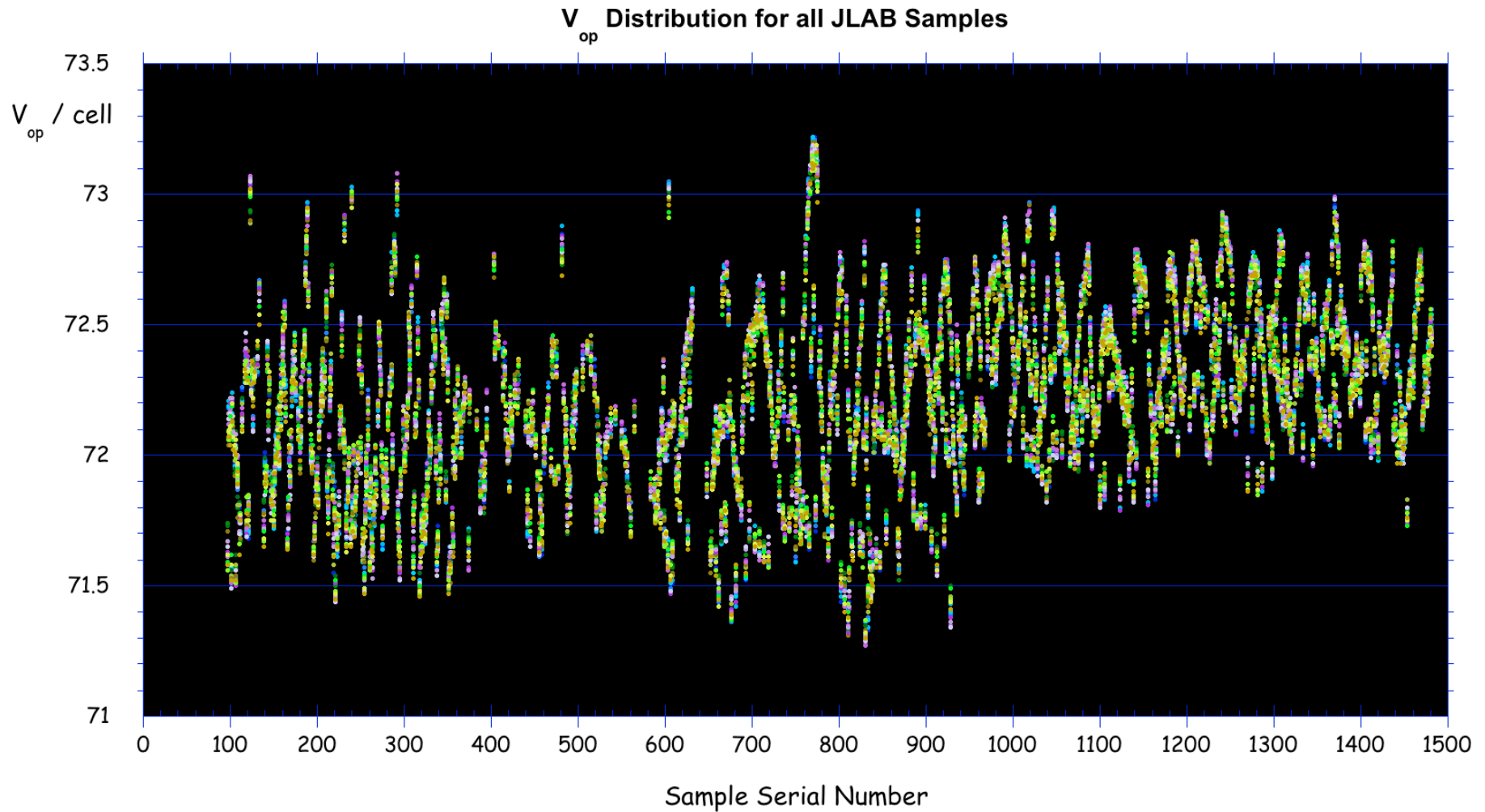


0 5  $10^5$  1  $10^6$  1.5  $10^6$  2  $10^6$  2.5  $10^6$  3  $10^6$  3.5  $10^6$

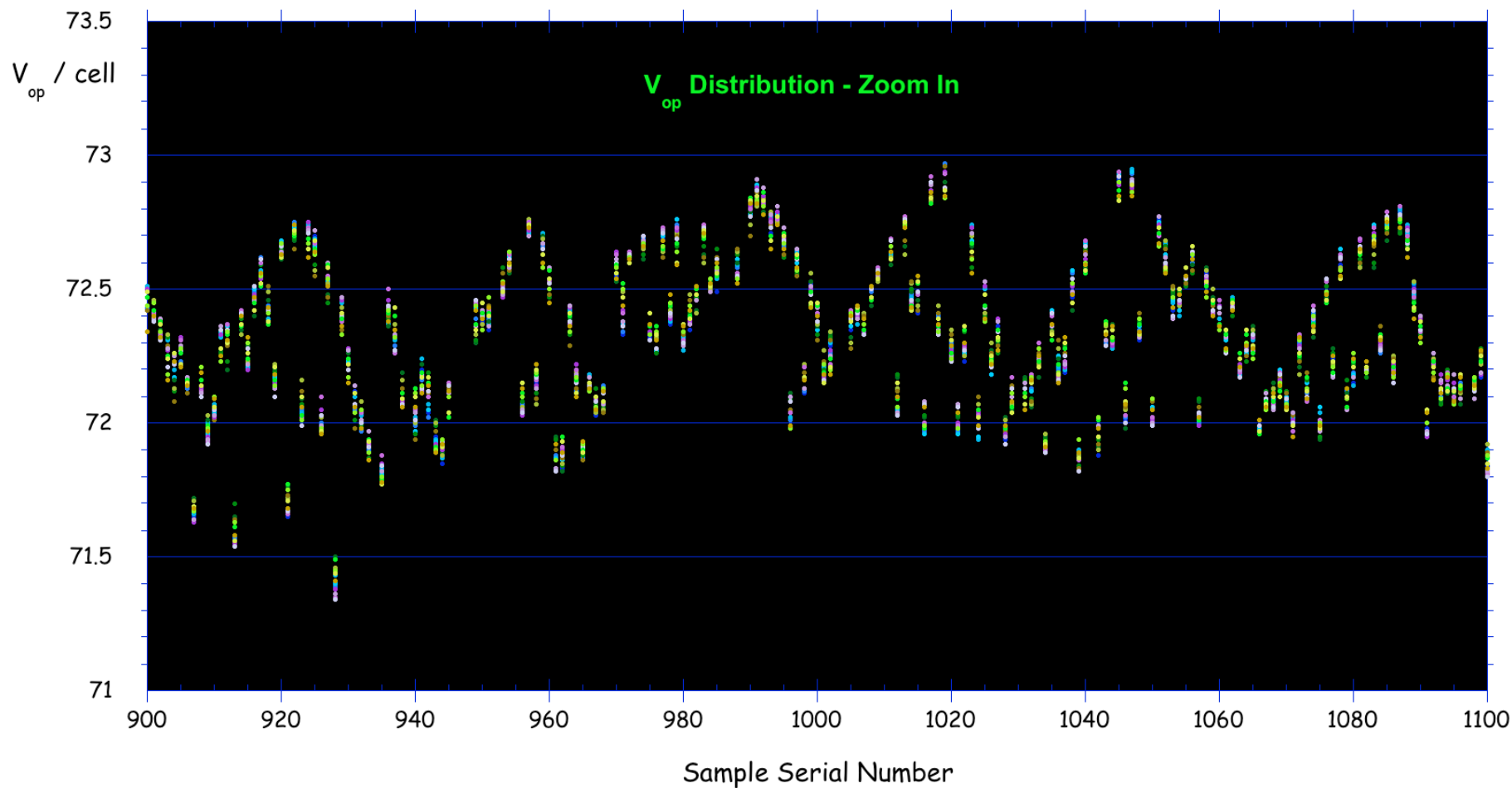
Pulse Frequency [Hz]



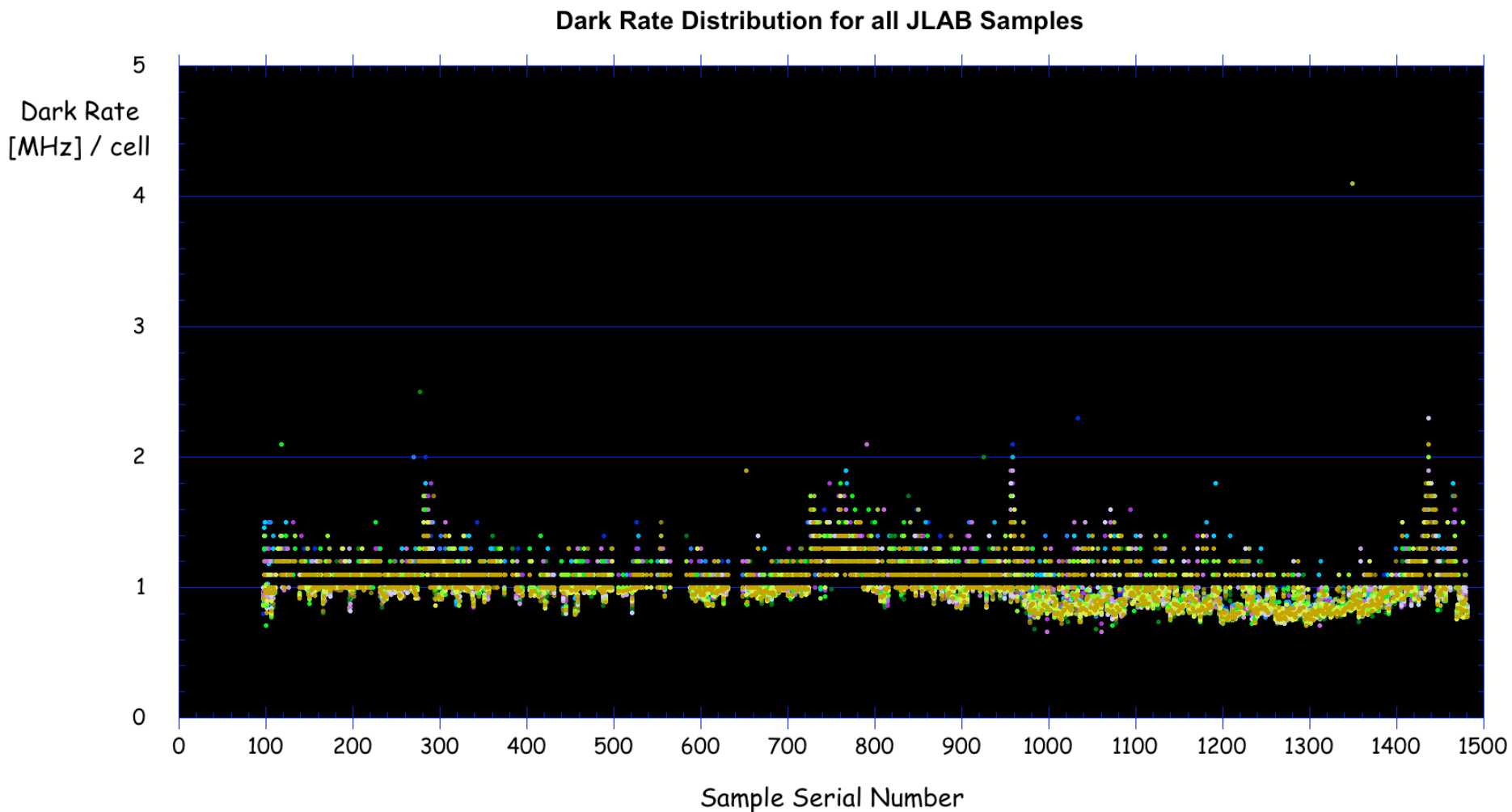
# Distribution of all $V_{op}$ values for all JLAB samples



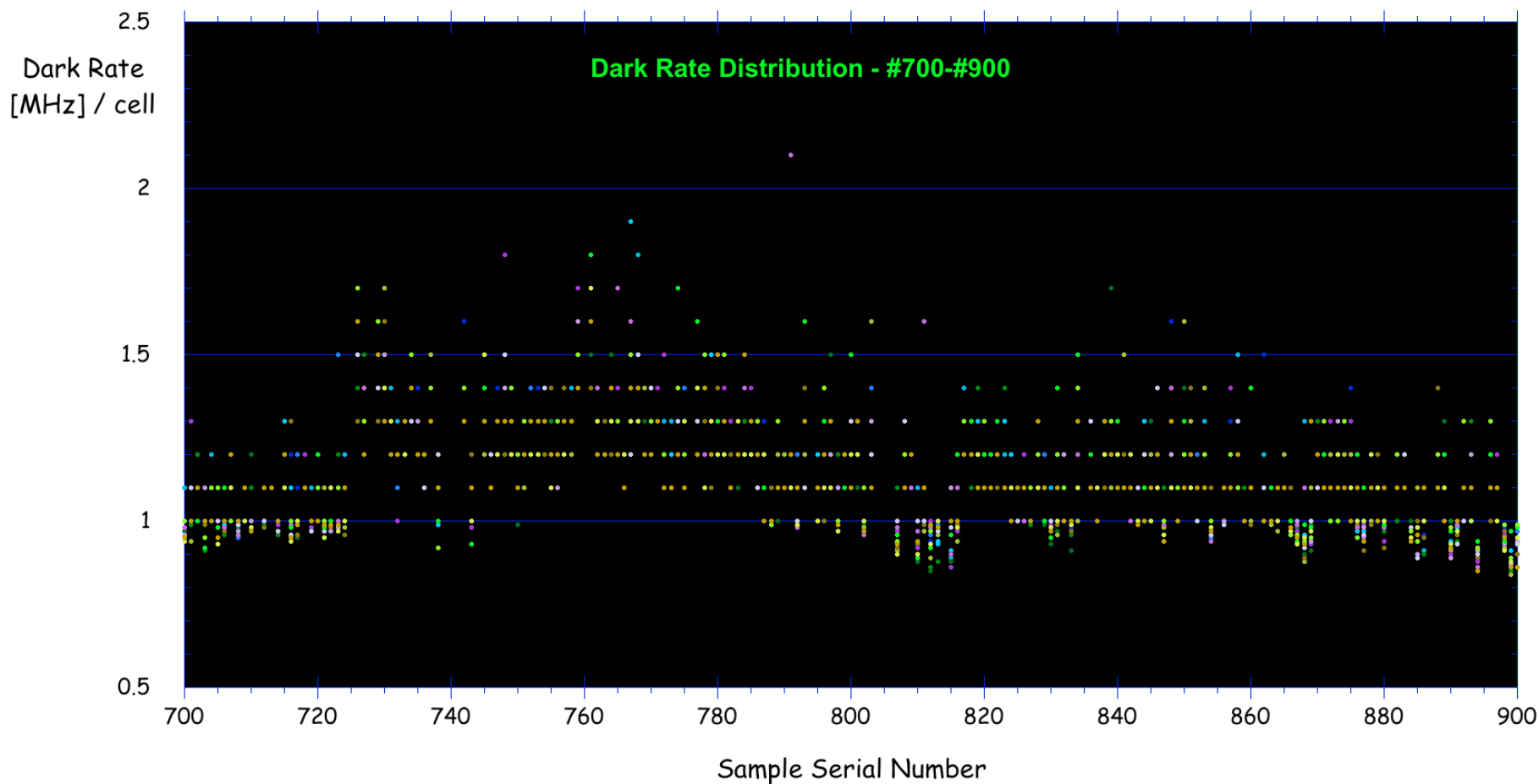
# Zoom in on samples 900 - 1100



# Dark Rate distribution for all JLAB samples

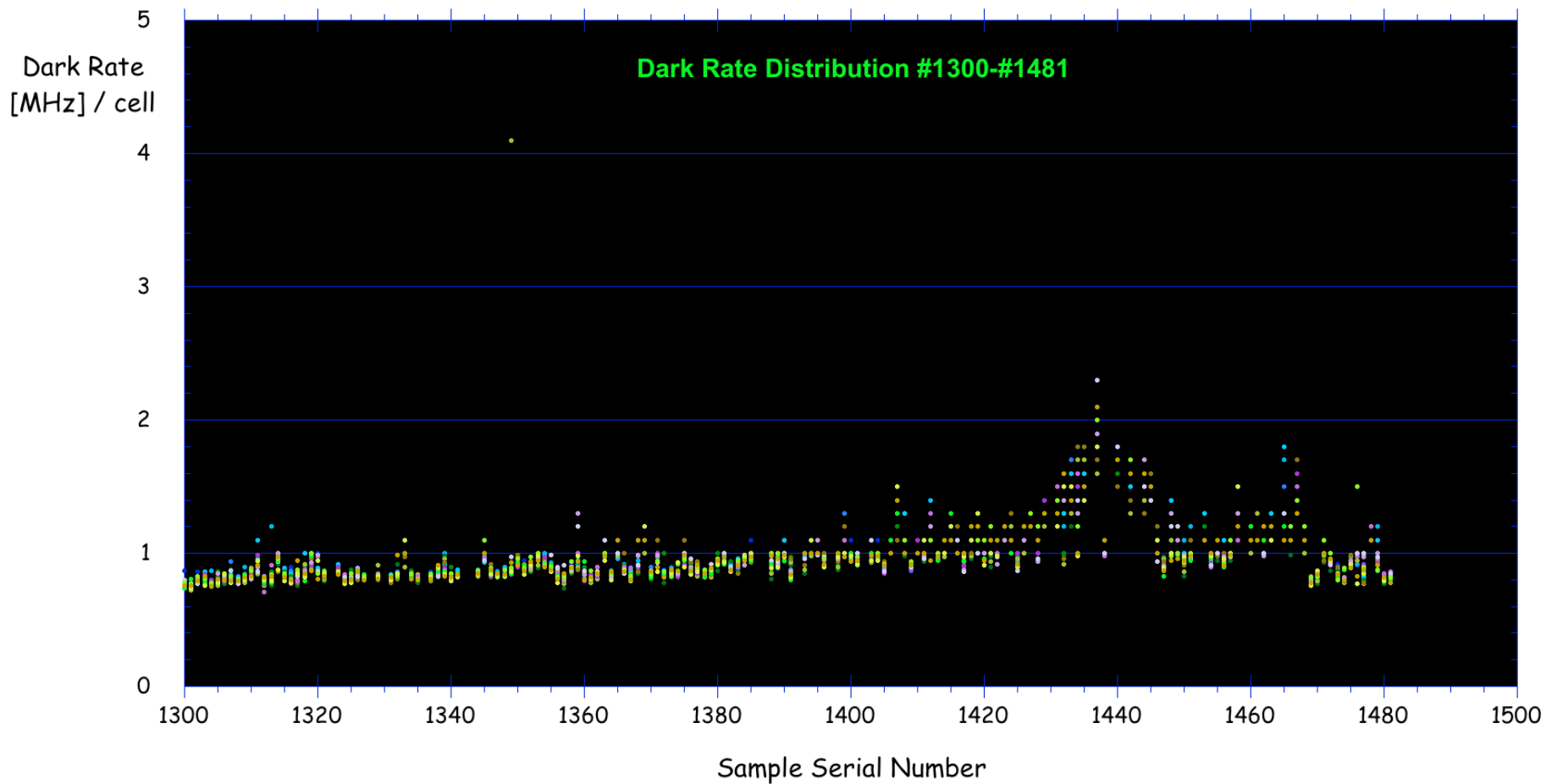


# Dark Rate distribution – zoom in on #700 - #900

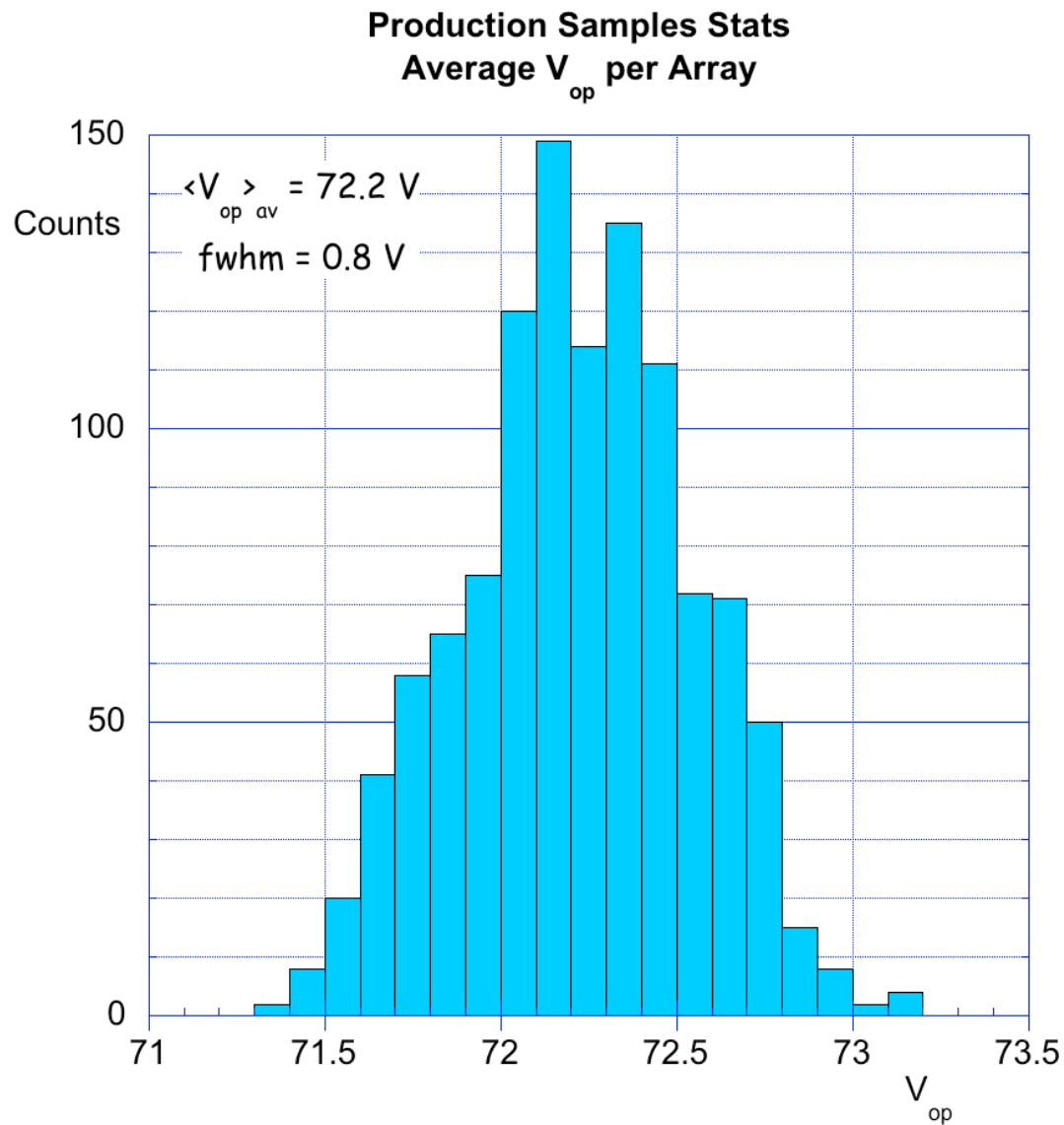




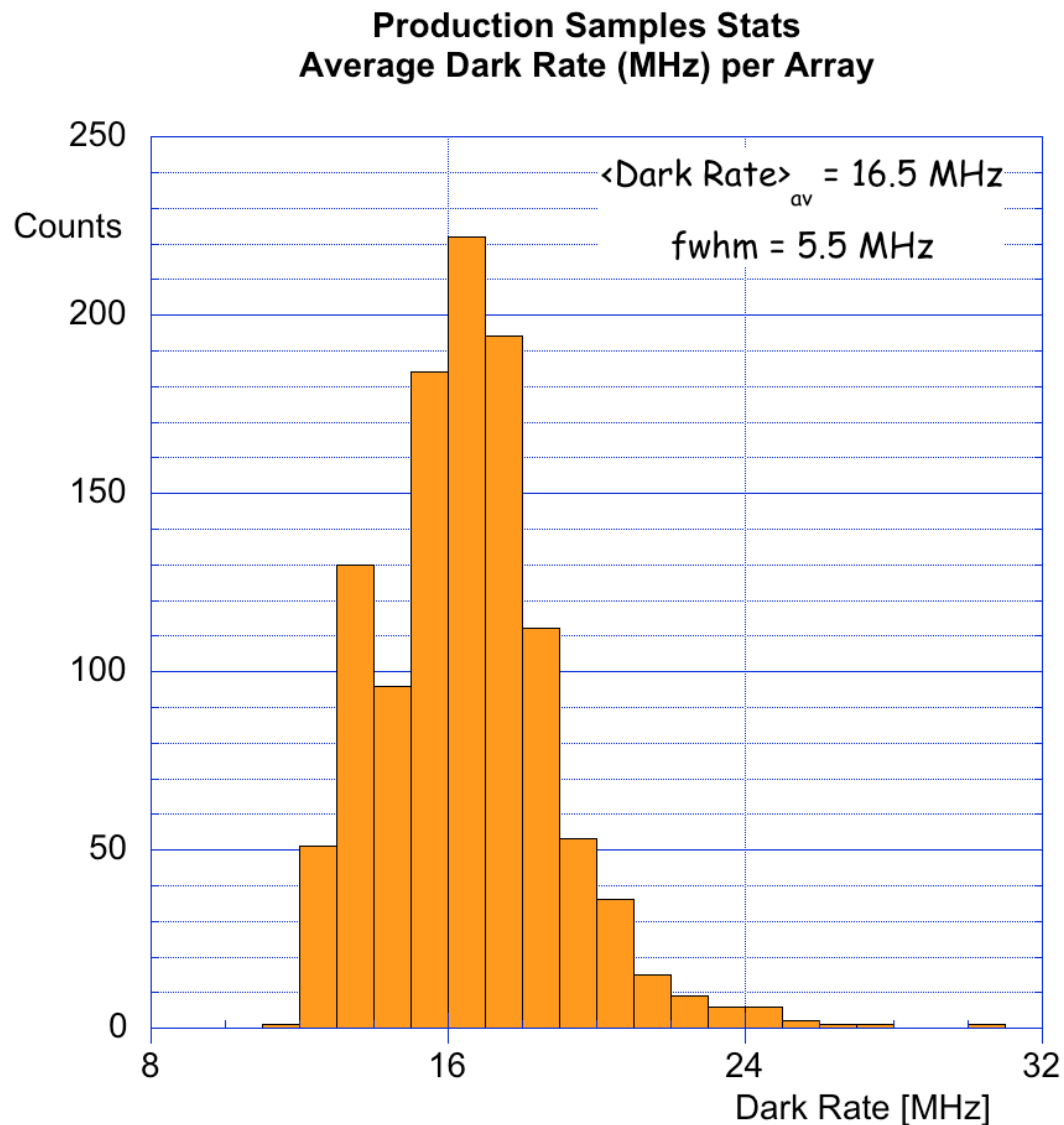
# Dark rate distribution - #1300 - #1481



# Average $V_{op}$ per sample (JLAB)

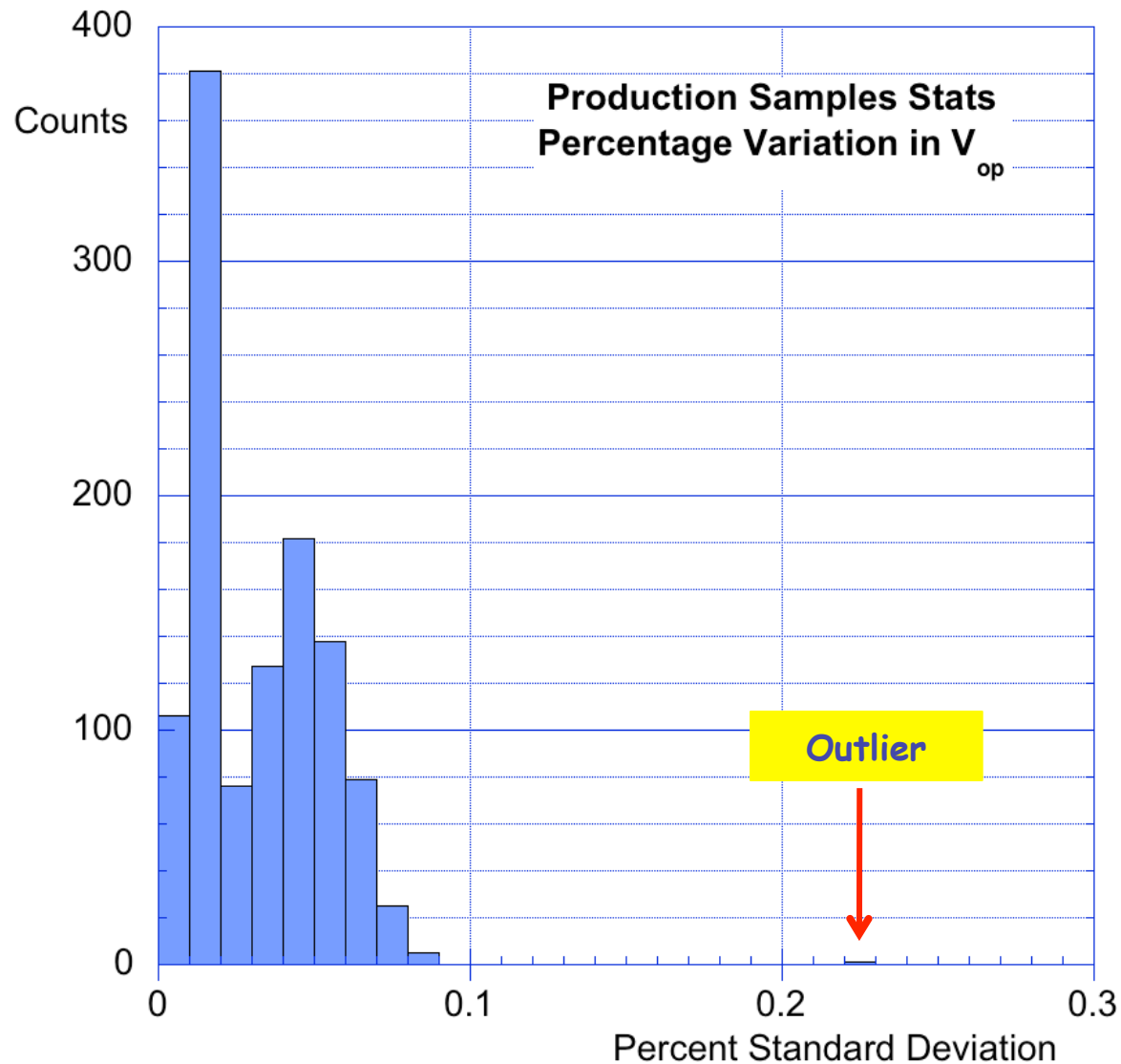


# Total Dark Rate per Sample (JLAB)

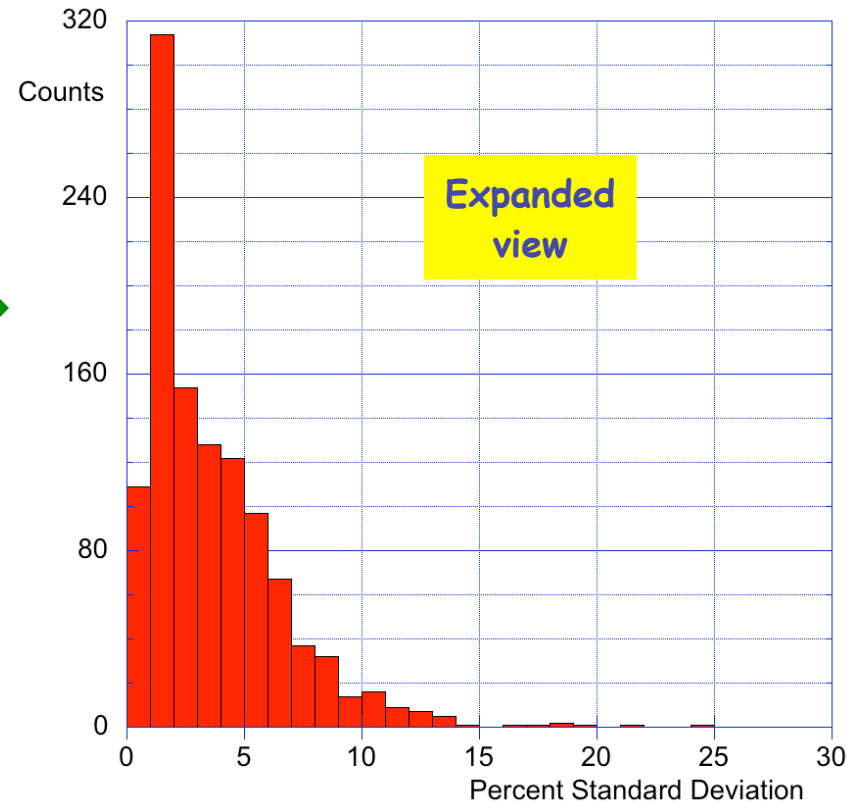
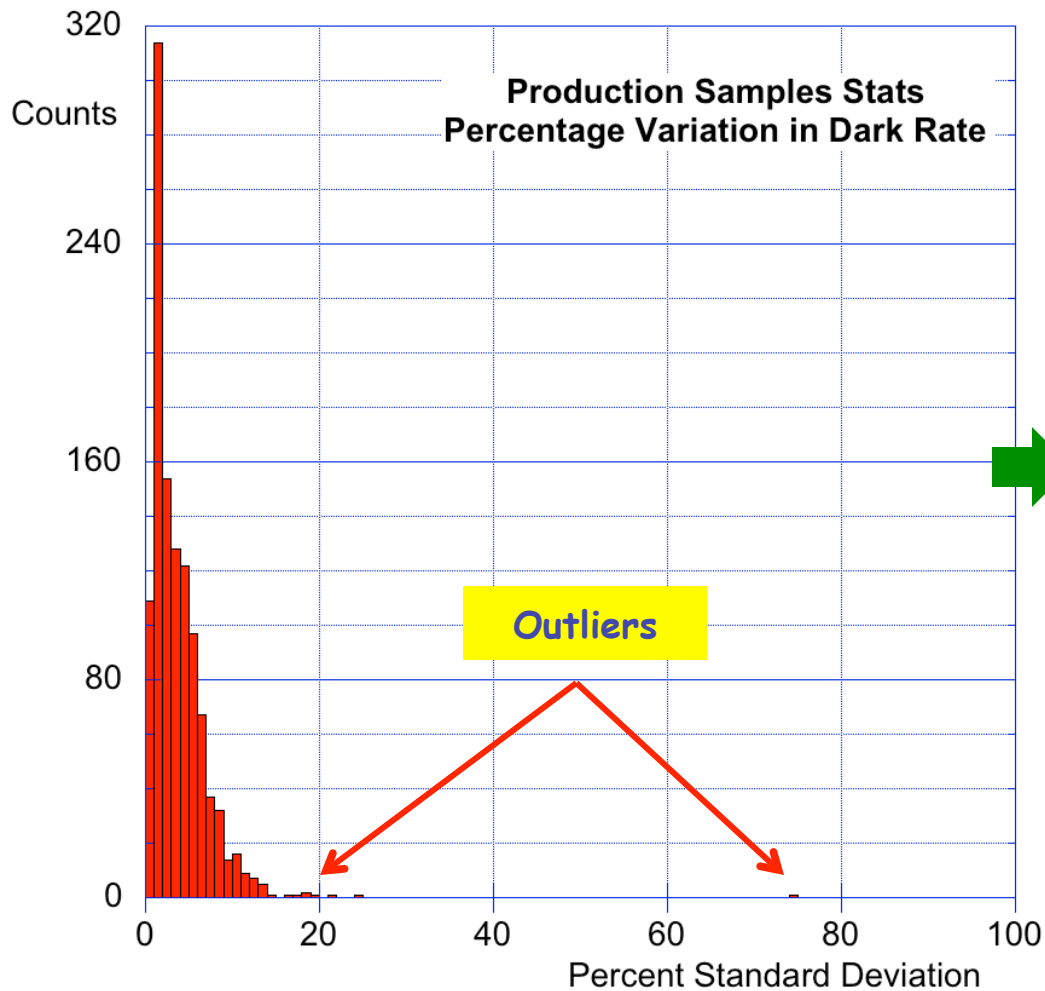




# % variation in average $V_{op}$ per sample



# % variation in Dark Rate per sample (JLAB)



# Summary of Jlab SiPM Test

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- Hardware setup is almost ready
  - ❑ All preamplifier boards will be modified to be AC coupling to address positive DC offset issue
    - First modified board tested working properly
    - Waiting for the rest of the boards
  - ❑ Light uniformity better than 2%, needs to be verified with preamplifier boards installed and cables connected
- Both control and analysis software are ready to go
- Will start production test shortly

BACKUP SLIDES



# MPPC Specifications, page I

Table 1. Technical requirements for silicon photomultiplier arrays for the Hall D BCAL. All requirements must be met at the nominal operating voltage and at a specified temperature in the range between 5 and 30° C.

Property	Specification
Gain at nominal operating voltage	$(0.5-2) \times 10^6$
Photo-sensitive area	$> 140 \text{ mm}^2$
Macroscopic active area coverage	$> 75\%$
Number of micro-pixels	$> 56000$
Sensitivity to magnetic field	$< 1\%$ gain change at 2 T independent of orientation
PDE at 490 nm [Note 1]	$> 19\%$ [Note 2]
Dark rate	$< 100 \text{ MHz}$ [Note 2]
Dark current	$< 40 \mu\text{A}$
Sensitivity to temperature	$< 10\%$ charge amplitude change/deg C
Maximum output difference of any cell within one array from the array's average	$< \pm 7.5\%$
Variation between average output of arrays under uniform illumination at their nominal operating voltage	$< \pm 5\%$

# MPPC Specifications, page 2

Nominal operating voltage	25-80 V
Nominal operating voltage above breakdown voltage	0.9–3.0 V
Fraction of multiple photoelectrons in dark noise	< 5%
Package dimensions	See Drawing D00000-01-07-3000
Package substrate	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
Inputs	Positive bias voltage
Outputs	16 individual outputs
Output connector	Cu alloy pins on 0.05" centers
Rise time 10%–90%	< 16 ns [Note 3]
Pulse width 10%–10%	< 100 ns
Sensitivity of signal-to-noise to radiation	< 1%/Gy

[Note 1] The PDE measurement is made in pulsed mode.

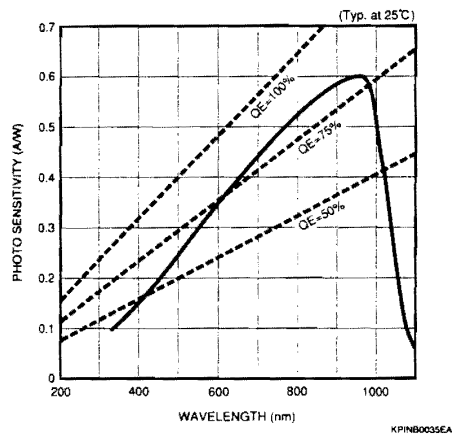
[Note 2] There is a tradeoff between specific values of PDE and dark current to obtain a fixed detector resolution. The tradeoff is made explicit in the following equation:  $PDE > 0.0518 + \sqrt{(0.002685 + 0.01629 \cdot DR(\text{MHz})/100)}$ , where the dark rate DR is given in MHz;

[Note 3] Measured with a light input pulse of less than 7 ns.

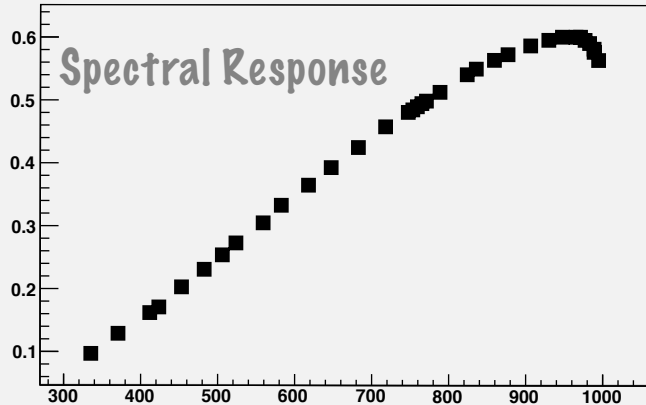
# Revision and Corrections ...

- \* we got the spectral response of our reference pin diode (S3590-03)

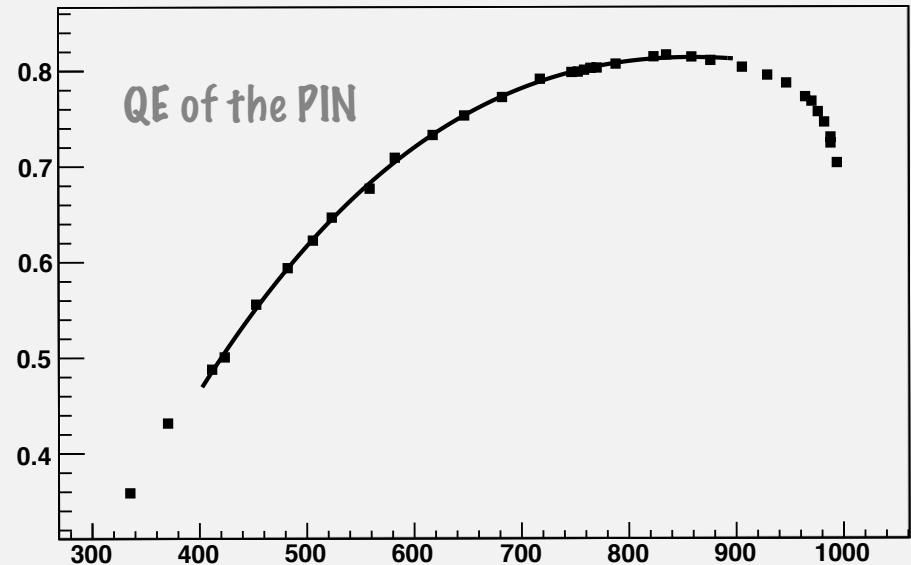
Figure 1: Spectral Response



Graph



Graph

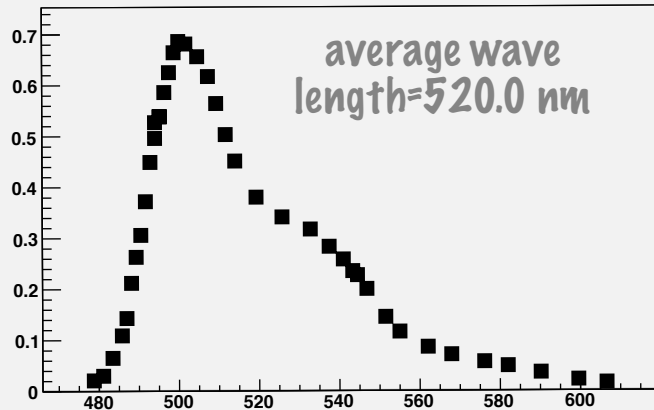


# Y11 (200)

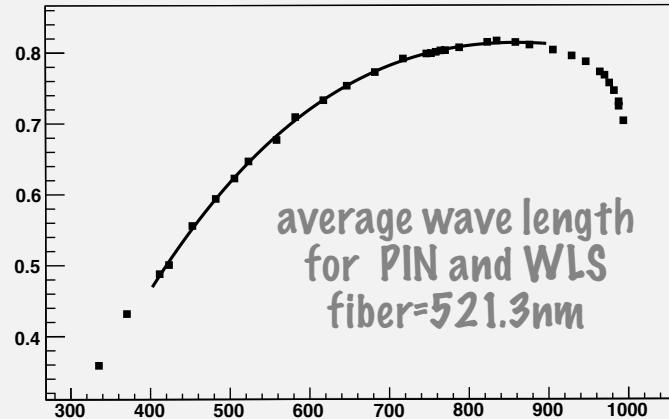
\* average QE for PIN with WLS fiber is 64.0% (instead 75%)

30 cm of Y11(200)

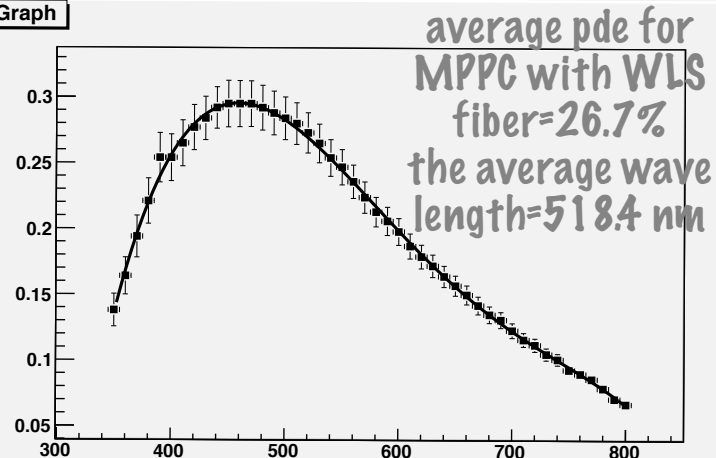
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Graph



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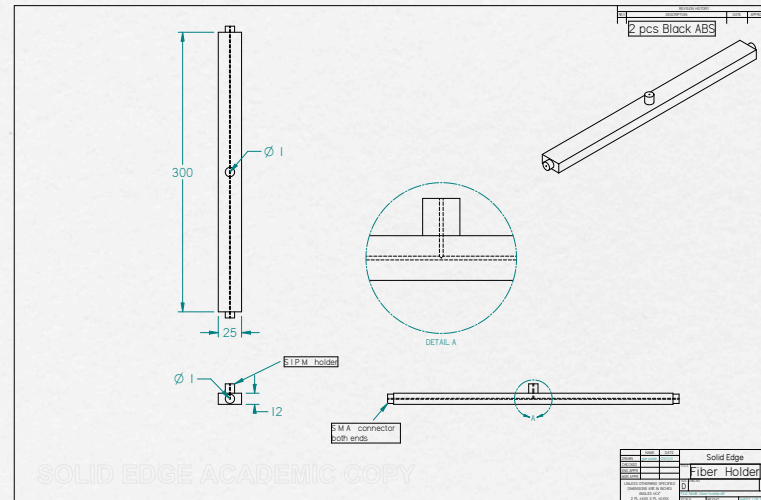
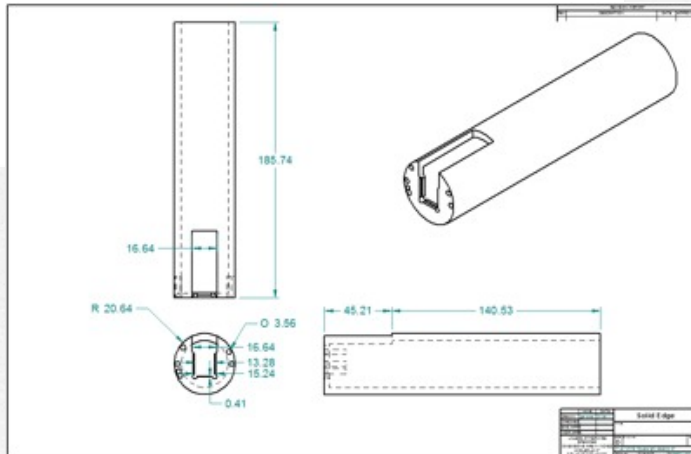
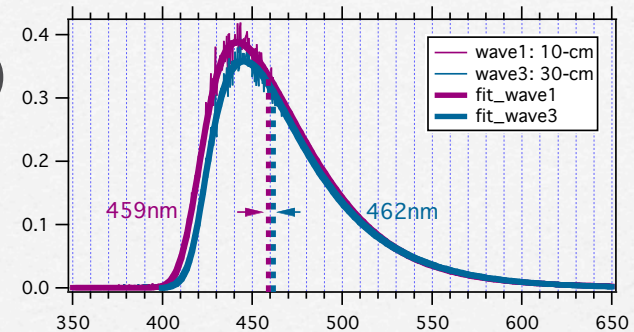


Light via fibre  
from LED or Laser

# PDE Setup

Photodiode

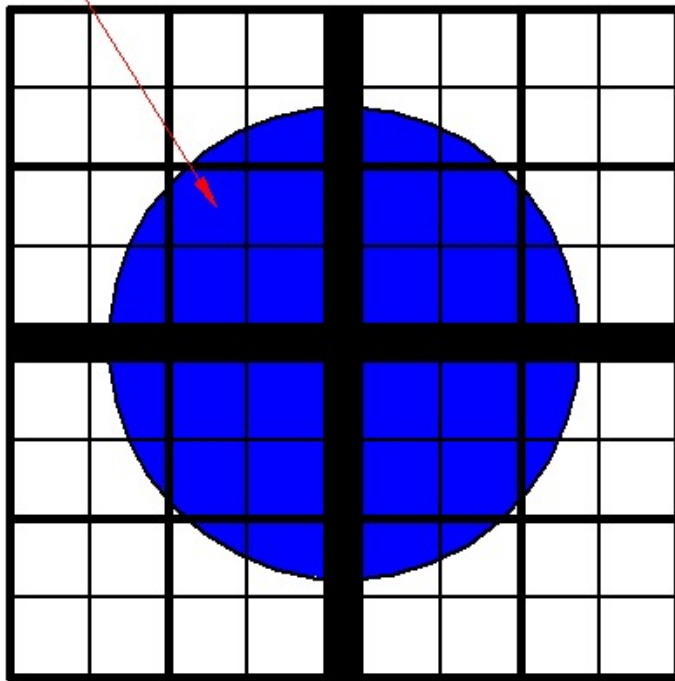
SiPM



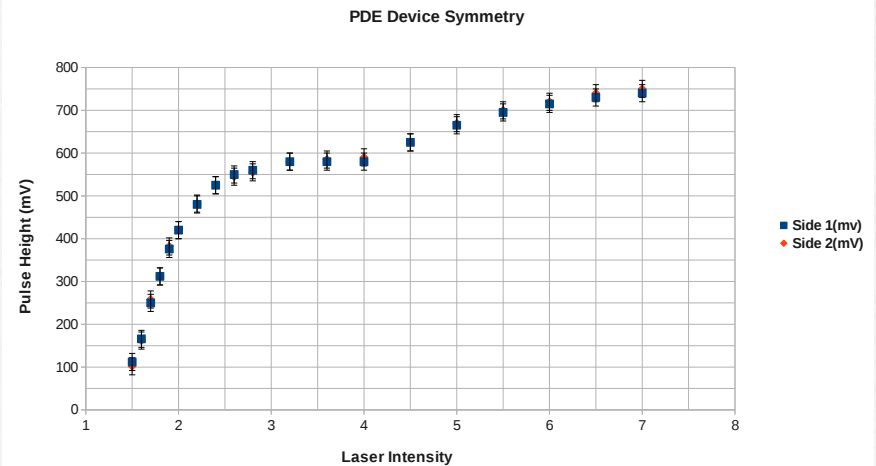
Set up was tested for symmetry:  
PDE from relative measurement

# Laser Profile

Area = 51.39 mm<sup>2</sup>

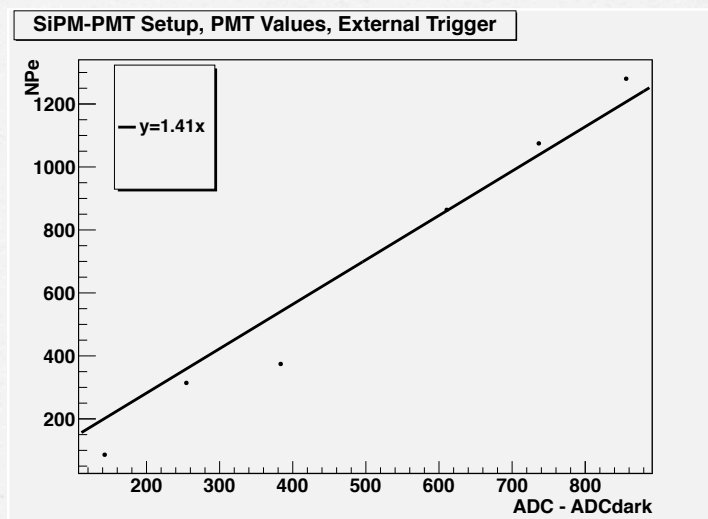
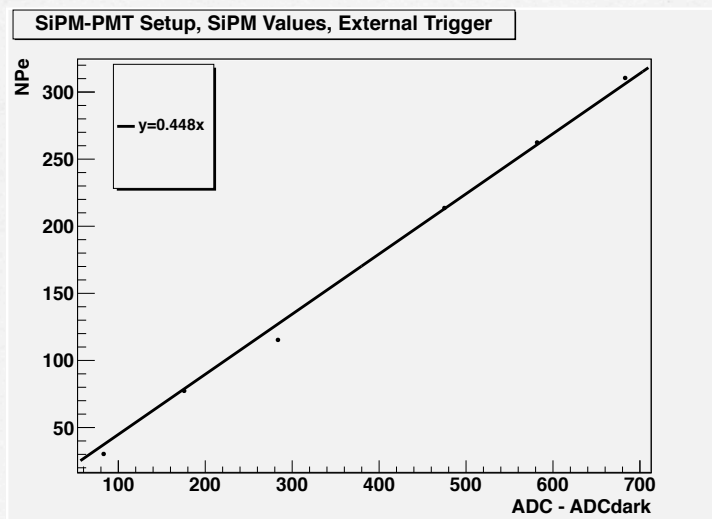


*SiPM tested alone:  
no photodetector on other side*

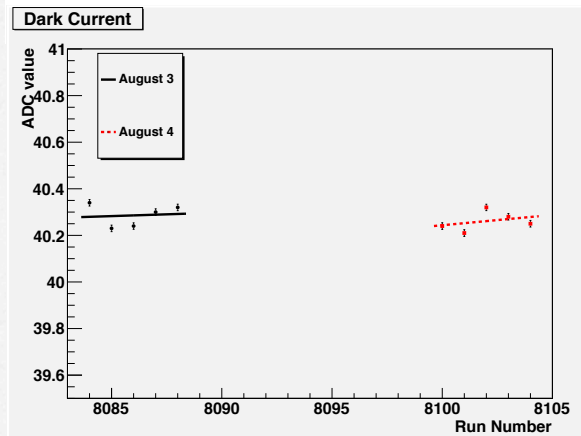
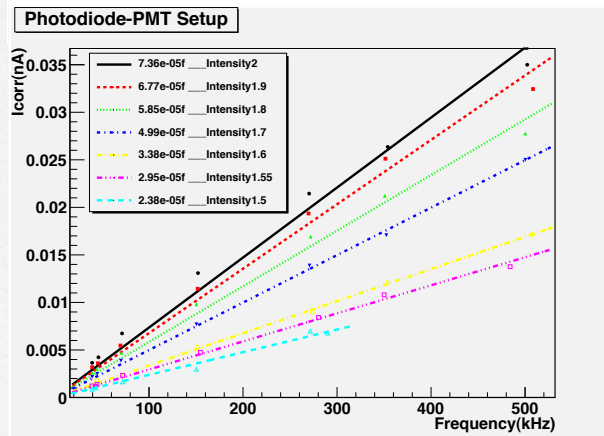
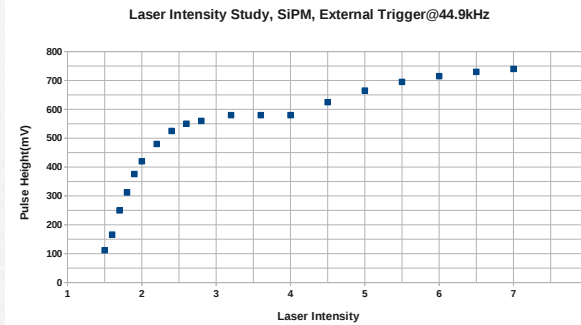
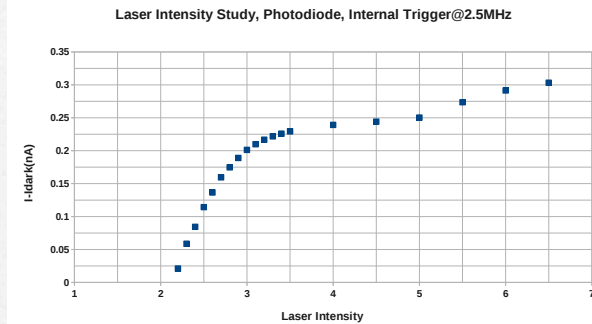


# Run specifics

- Laser trigger externally (44kHz and up...)
- Photodiode - Hamamatsu S2281
- SiPM - Hamamatsu S10943-0258(X)



# Checks

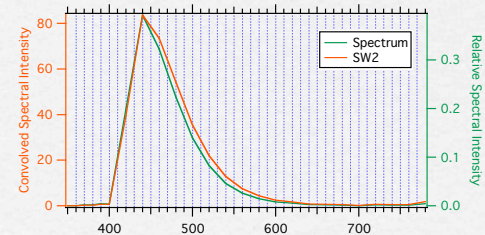
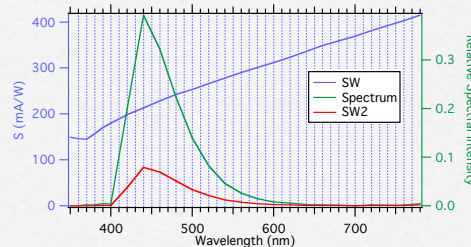
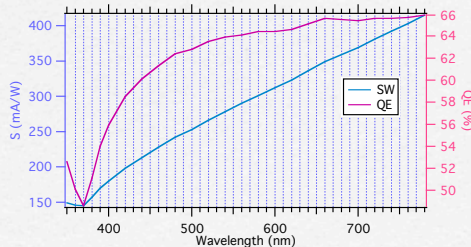




# Extraction Methods

- **Method 1:**  $NPE = (ADC - ADC_{dark})^2 / (RMS^2 - RMS_{dark}^2)$
- **Method 2:**  $NPE = \text{scope pulse height} * \text{pulse width} / (2 * 50 \text{ ohm} * \text{electron charge} * (\text{gain} = 1.7 * 6 * e5))$
- **Method 3:**  $NPE(ADC) = (ADC - ADC_{ped}) * (0.25 \text{ pc/chan}) / ((1.6e-19) * (\text{gain} = 1.7 * 6E5))$

## Photodiode



$$N_{pho} = N_{pho \text{ of photodiode}} (N = (I - I_{dark}) / ((E_{of460nm}) * (S_{of460nm}) * (LED \text{ frequency})))$$

$$E \text{ of } 460 = 4.3E-19 ; S \text{ of } 460 = 228E-3 \text{ A/W} ; LED \text{ frequency} \sim 1.72E5 \text{ Hz}$$

# Measurements

