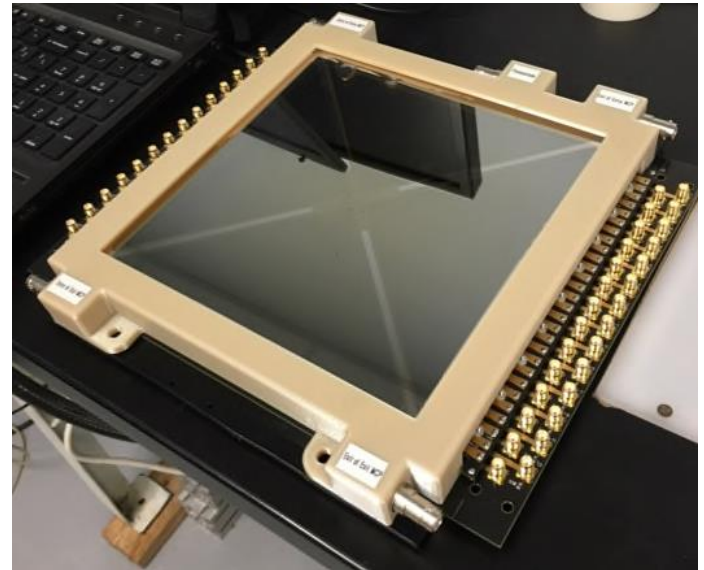


UPDATE ON LAPPD: EVALUATION OF LAPPDS FOR NUCLEAR PHYSICS PROGRAMS



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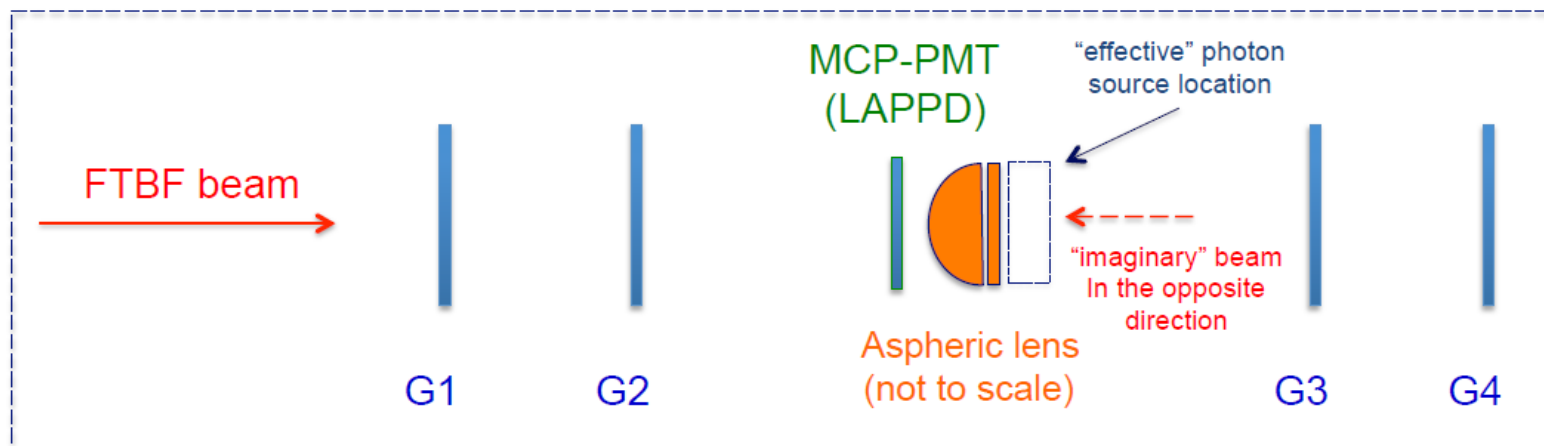
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GEN II LAPPD FERMILAB EVALUATION

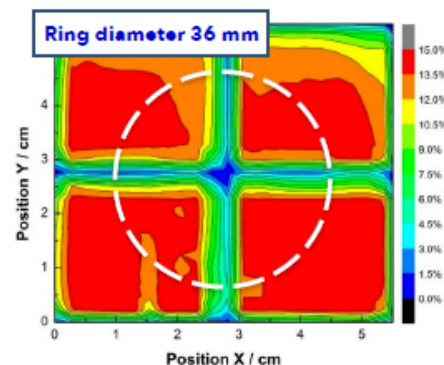
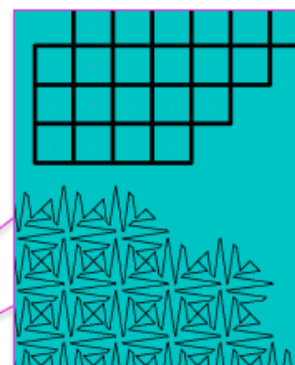
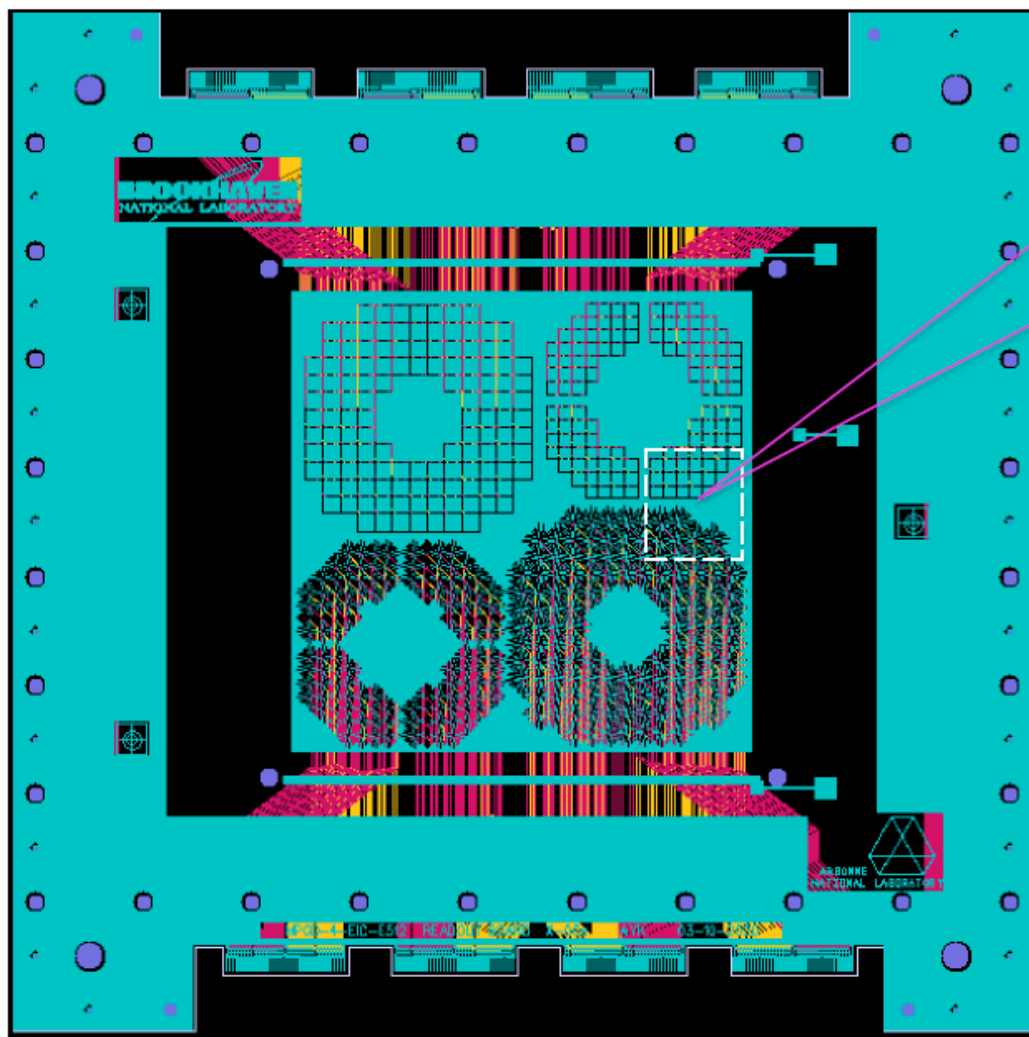
Experiment was prepared, but delayed due to COVID-19.

Refer to A. Kisel's talk to EIC-PID for details: <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/8101/>



- GEM tracker (2x2 100x100 mm² COMPASS 2D chambers)
- *Either* Argonne MCP-PMT or Incom LAPPD (only 128 DRS4 channels)
- Small thick fused silica aspheric lens from Edmund Optics:
 - MCP-MPT: #87-975, 12.5 mm diameter, 10.0 mm effective focal length, 8.0 mm central thickness
 - LAPPD : #67-265, 25.0 mm diameter, 20.0 mm effective focal length, 14.0 mm central thickness
- *Backward reflection of Cherenkov light on the rear flat lens surface*
 - A single ~\$400 off the shelf optical component ...
 - ... with minimum of required modifications (**the ground side needs to be black painted though**)
 - “Perfect” optics for all photons, **which do not hit the side surface (those will be absorbed)**: a single refraction of a mirror-imaged Cherenkov light cone + refraction on the MCP-PMT window; no spherical aberrations and no parasitic reflections inside the lens

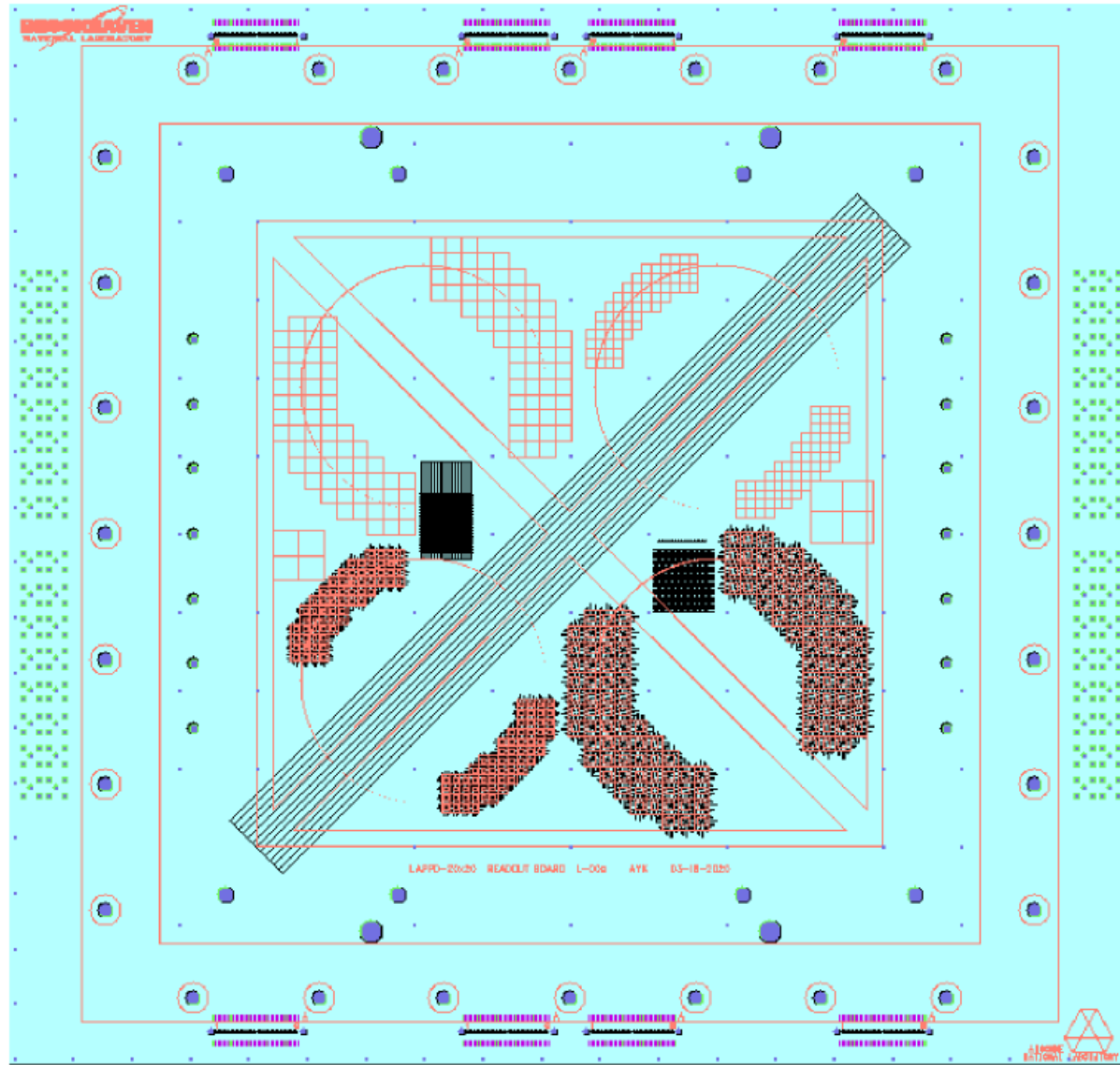
Readout PCB for Argonne MCP-PMTs



- 3mm and 4mm pad quadrants, with and without charge sharing
- 128 pads per quadrant
- Each of the quadrants is tuned to detect ~36 mm diameter rings
- 6 layers, with traces routed away in a simple 50 Ohm micro-strip configuration (two signal layers in a chess-board-like fashion)
- A pair of adapter cards (edge-to-edge and edge-to-MCX) will be used
- BNL MPGD prototype form-factor

-> shipped to BNL already (but we have not seen it yet)

Readout board for Incom LAPPDs



- 3mm and 5mm pad quadrants, with and without charge sharing
- 128 pads per quadrant
- Each of the quadrants is tuned to detect ~76 mm diameter rings
- 8 layers, with traces routed away in a shielded 50 Ohm coplanar waveguide configuration
- Soldered high density connectors and edge-to-MCX adapter cards will be used
- Several other pad spots through the onboard MCX connectors
- Form-factor and mounting scheme match the “new” LAPPD enclosure

This board is now produced as well. Ready to ship to us.

GEN II LAPPD FERMILAB EVALUATION

In brief:

Experiment was prepared, but delayed due to COVID-19

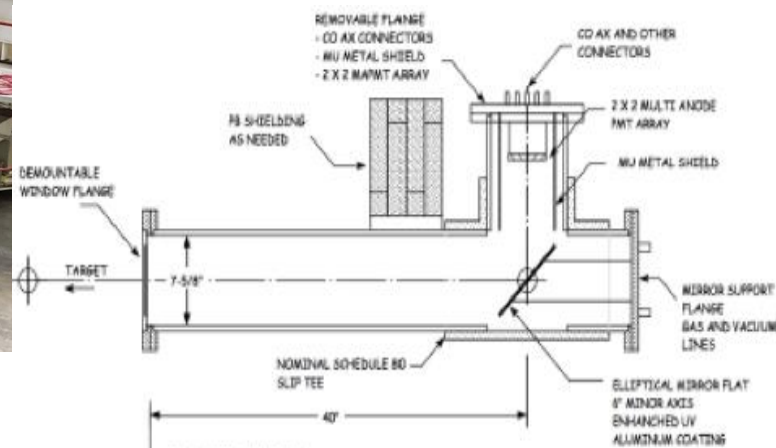
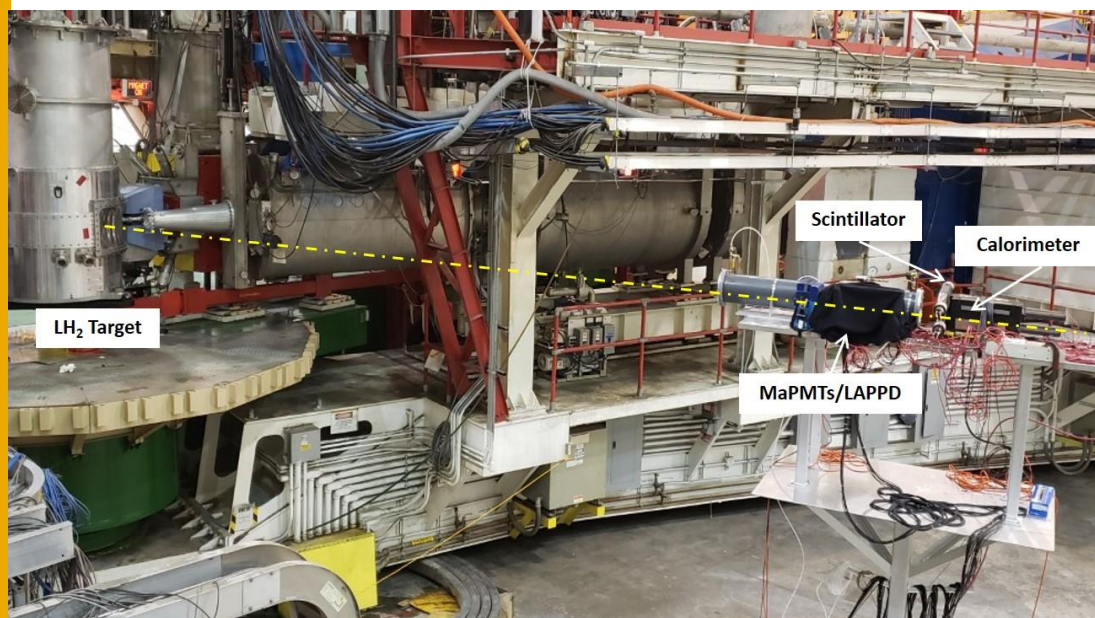
Fermilab beamline was canceled for 2020.

Incom is still open, Gen III HRPPD SBIR was awarded, development on going.

Looking forward:

- Bench test of Gen II LAPPD before next beamline test
- Spring 2021 will be the earliest time for us to back for beamline test, experiment to be combined:
 1. Argonne MCP-PMT test
 2. Gen II LAPPD test
 3. mRICH module with Gen II LAPPD as photosensor test

HIGH RATE EVALUATION OF LAPPD FOR SOLID

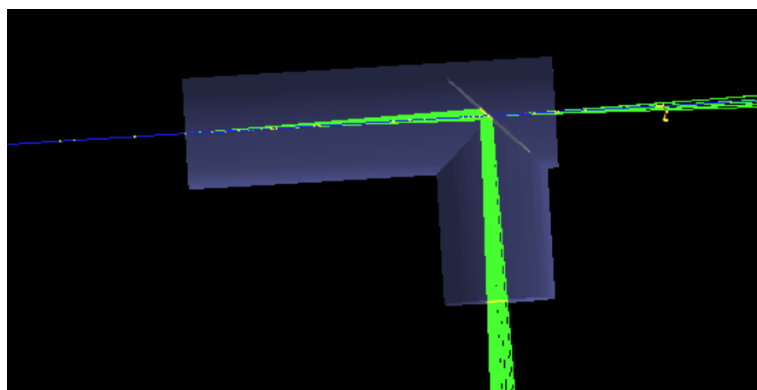


Small Cherenkov telescope installed in Hall C at JLab

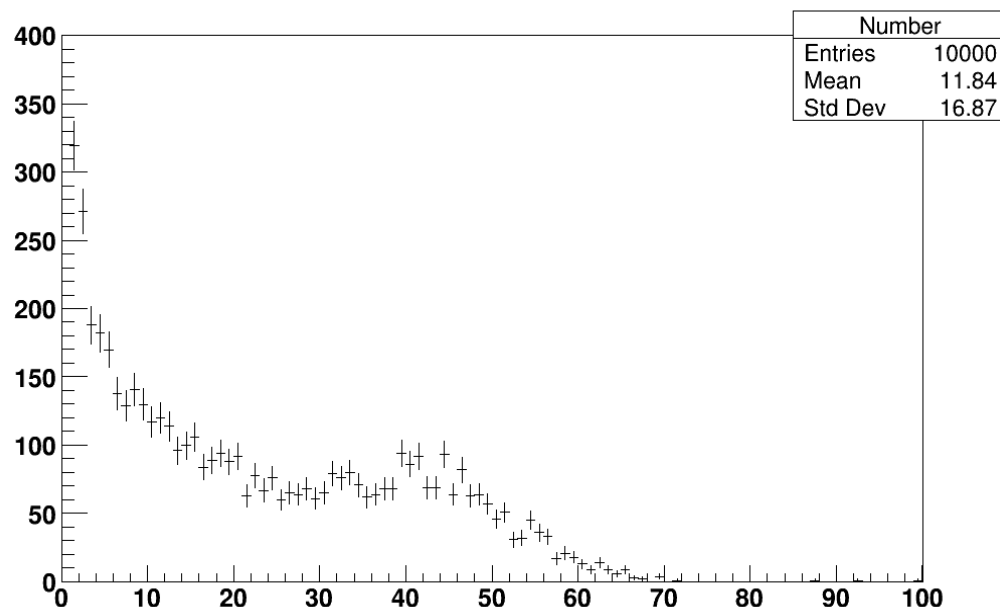
- 8.1 GeV electron beam on LH₂ target
- Setup is 4.8 meters away facing target
- Scintillators and calorimeters as trigger, CO₂ as gaseous radiator
- Accommodate 2x2 MaPMT array and LAPPD
- High rate background open environment

COMPUTER SIMULATION

Simple Cherenkov simulation using GEANT4 (35% QE used).



Number of Cherenkov photoelectrons



Mathematical calculation

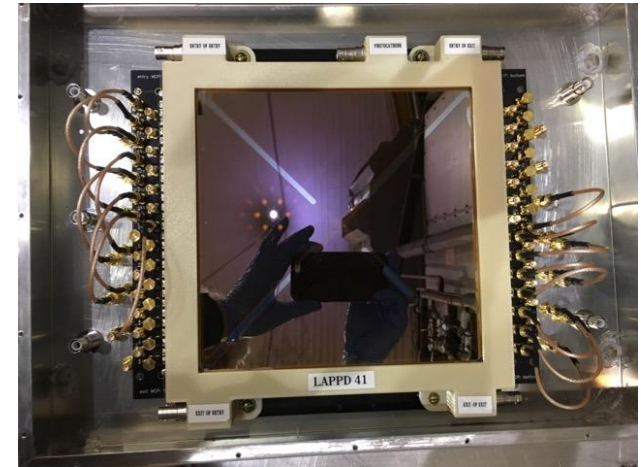
Gas	θ_{ϵ}^{max} ($\beta \sim 1$)	Outer Diameter	Inner Diameter	Nphoton (200-500 nm)	Nphoton (300-500 nm)	H8500		H12700		Gen-I LAPPD	
						QE (400 nm)	Npe	QE (400 nm)	Npe	QE (400 nm)	Npe
CO ₂	1.7°	7.72 cm	1.18 cm	135	60	28%	30.2*	35%	37.8*	7.3%	10.8*

*Considering QE distribution (200-500 nm), $Npe = Nphoton \times MaxQE \times 80\%$

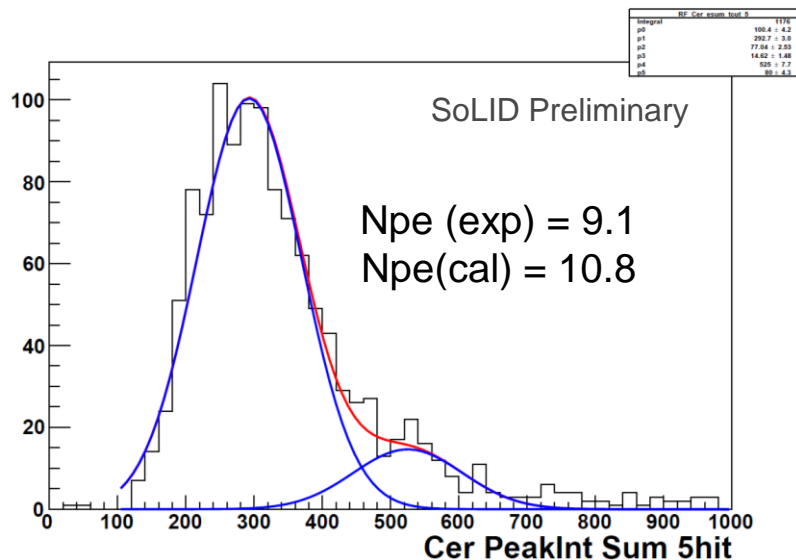
Cherenkov Test of LAPPD at JLab Hall C

Received LAPPD#41: Gen I

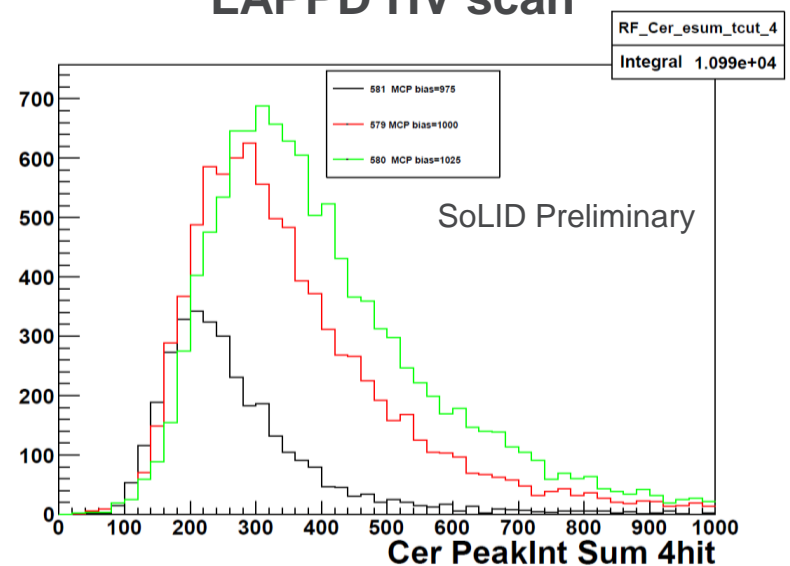
Window material	Fused silica
Readout anode	Inside stripline
Quantum Efficiency	Mean: 7.3%, Maximum: 11%
Gain	5.4×10^6 with MCPs @ 975V
Time resolution	56 ps



Results



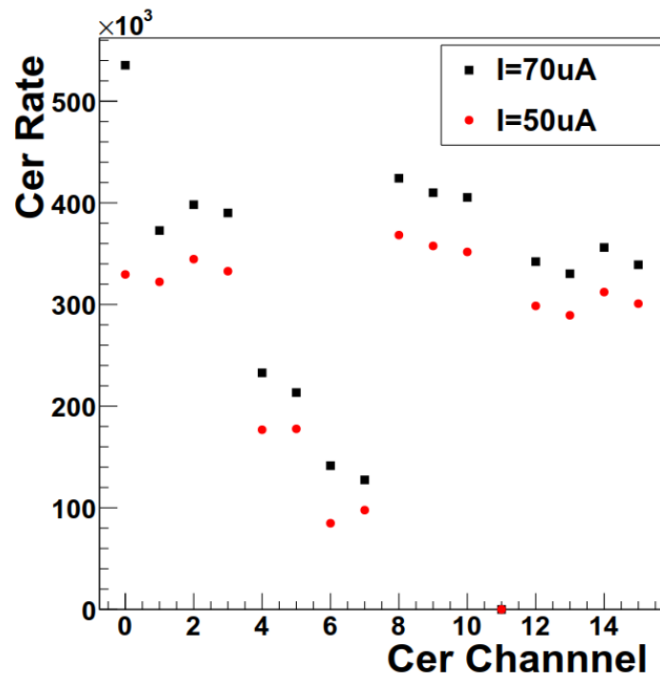
LAPPD HV scan



JLab Hall C test shows that the LAPPD might work in the Hall C environment to separate Cherenkov events (needs further results check with experts), but it is clear that **the stripline readout, low QE made our results inconclusive.**

EXPERIMENT ELECTRONICS RATE ESTIMATION

Rate estimation for each channel

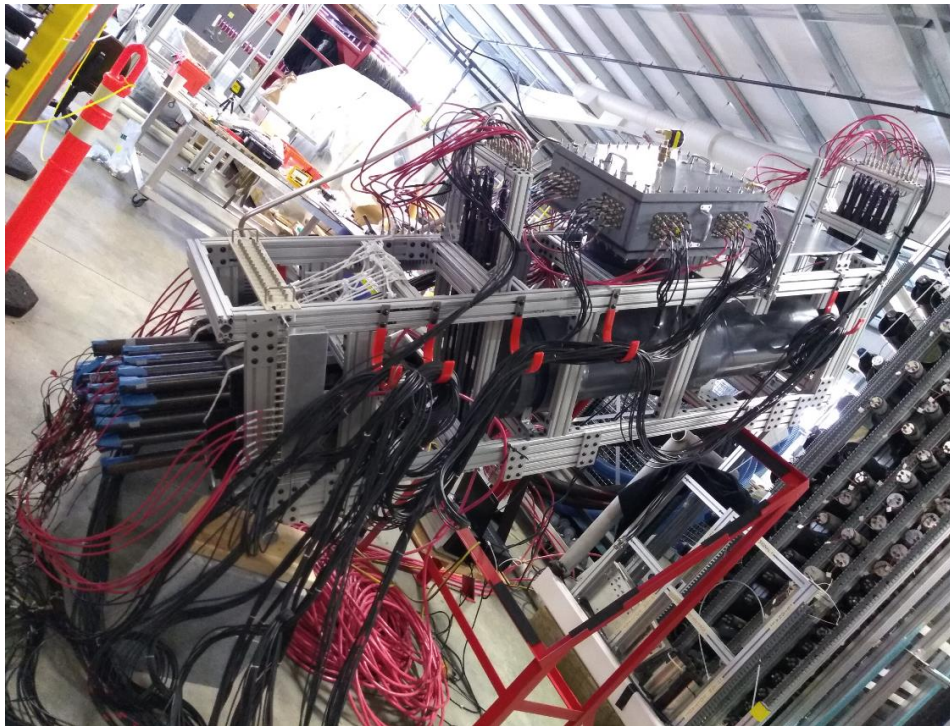


The event rate for each quadrant is ~ 400 kHz, that is ~ 1.5 MHz rate per MaPMT, or 60 kHz/cm².

Rate for each channel was estimated by counting the number of event with firing channel number > 0 .

FADC electronics handles this rate good. LAPPD works in the current rate environment.

SOLID PRE R&D CHERENKOV PROTOTYPE



Gen II LAPPD with
25x25 mm pixel pads
for Cherenkov counter

LAPPD was delivered
at JLab before the
COVID-19 pandemic.

