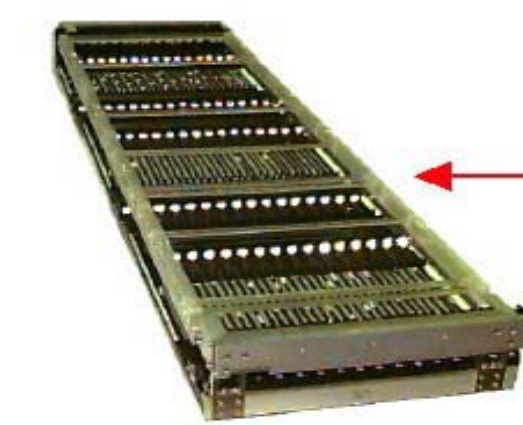
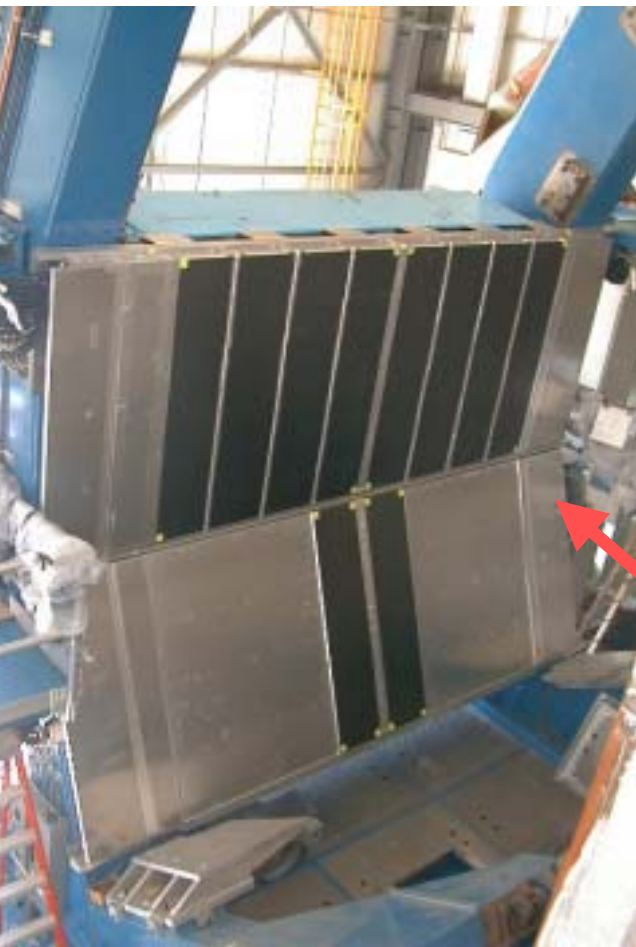


TOF and Hadron physics from PHENIX

- How does it (TOF) look like ?
- What is it (TOF) designed for ?
- What concerns did we have in the design ?
- How do we get the high resolution in TOF ?
- What does it (TOF) give now for hadron physics
- Summary

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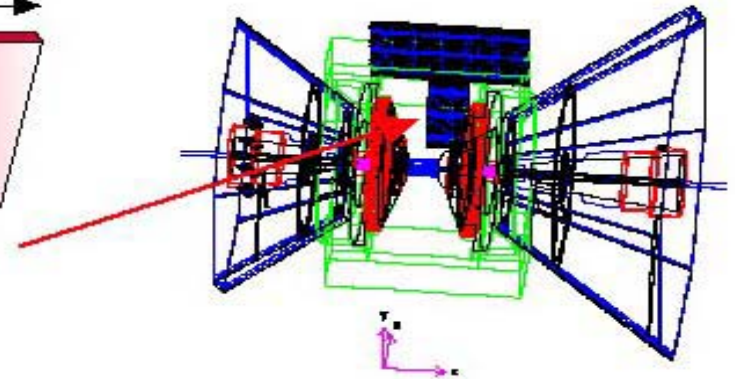
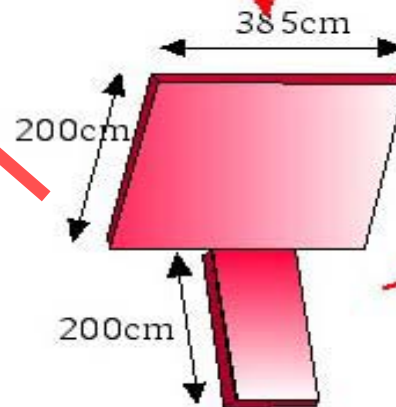
How does it (TOF) look like ?



Panel; 96 slats



Slat; Plastic rod w. 2 PMT's



enix (East-Arm)

- 960 plastic scintillators with 1920 PMT's
- locates at 5 meter from the vertex
- Rapidity (-0.35~0.35), 45 degree in phi, $\Omega \sim 1/3 \text{Sr}$

What is it (TOF) designed for ?

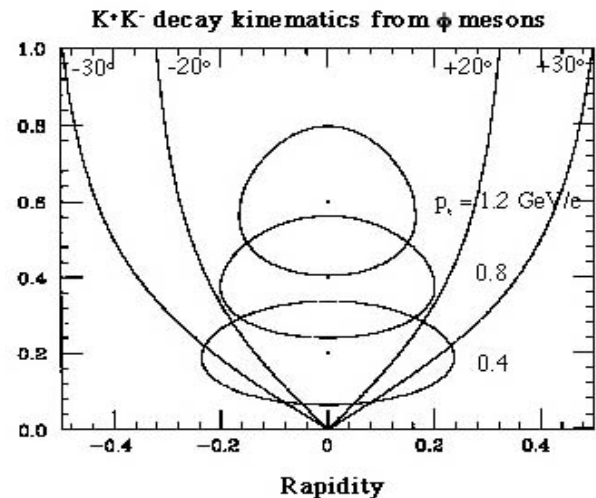
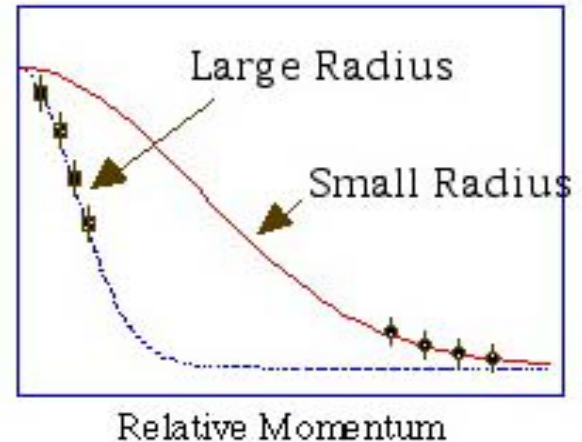
- Single particle Inclusive Measurement
 - From low to high pt with PID,
slope shape (freeze-out temperature, corrective motion, chemical composition, etc) needs to be measurement.

- Hanbury-Brown-Twiss Correlation

- For large radius,
 - Momentum resolution
 - Two track separation
- For small radius
 - Opening angle \rightarrow Acceptance
 - $\Omega \sim 1/3$ sr

- Detection of ϕ meson in K^+K^- decay

- For low pt $\phi \rightarrow$ Acceptance
- For high pt $\phi \rightarrow$ PID



What concerns did we have in the design ?

Acceptance is driven by HBT and ϕ meson

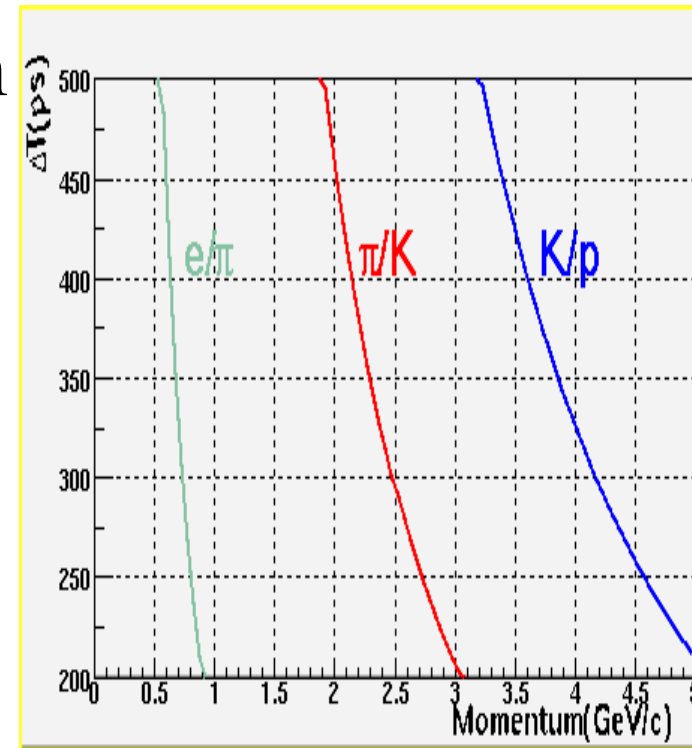
- $\Delta\theta = 40$ deg ($\Delta\eta=0.7$), $\Delta\phi = 30$ deg

Timing resolution: for pt distribution and ϕ meson [especially in high pt PID]

- $\Delta t \sim 120$ ps
- Assuming 3 sigma separation
 - Pions, Kaons up to 2-2.5 GeV
 - Proton and antiproton up to 4 GeV

Segmentation:

- keep the occupancy < 10 %
- $\Delta n_c / dy \sim 1500 \rightarrow \sim 1000$ segments ($\Delta\eta = 0.7$, $\Delta\phi = 30$ deg)
(=1000 [FRIFIOF at the “CDR” days] + 50% safety factor)
 $\rightarrow \sim 100 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{segment at } 5 \text{ m from vertex}$



How do we get the high resolution in TOF ? (1)

Explain each item in the following slides.

) **PMT:** Δt behaves statistical behavior ($\sigma \propto 1/\sqrt{n_{p.e.}}$)

) **Scintillator:**

(2-1) light yield & timing resolution behave in exponential

with distance, and are consistently described with statistical picture ($\lambda_{\text{timing}} \sim 2\lambda_{\text{yield}}$)

(2-2) λ_{yield} proportional to cross sectional size ($\lambda \propto d$)

(2-3) TOF timing resolution (consistent with exponential behavior)

(2-4) Aging effect ($T_{\text{DG}} \sim 200\text{month}$, consistent with statistical picture)

) **Effect of Cherenkov light (PMT & LG):**

- self-detectable \leftarrow association is outside of scintillator)

(3-1) Cher.&Scint. light from LG is separate-able because of their small pulse height

(3-2) Cher. light from PMT is localized at its cathode (only 2mm), and it gives earlier timing.

How do we get the high resolution in TOF ? (2)

Explain each item in the following slides.

((4) Mechanical structure)

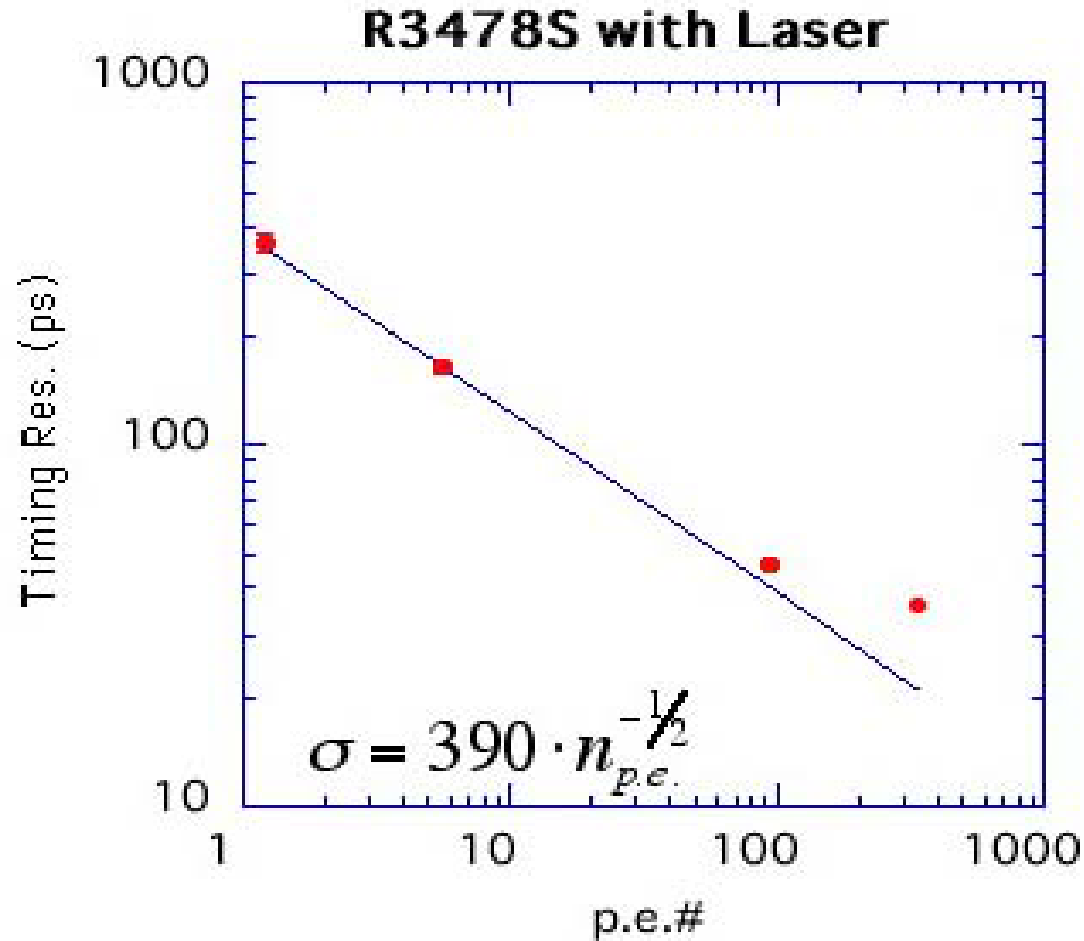
(4-1) Panel structure (honey comb)

(4-2) modulized PMT holder

(5) Design of FEE

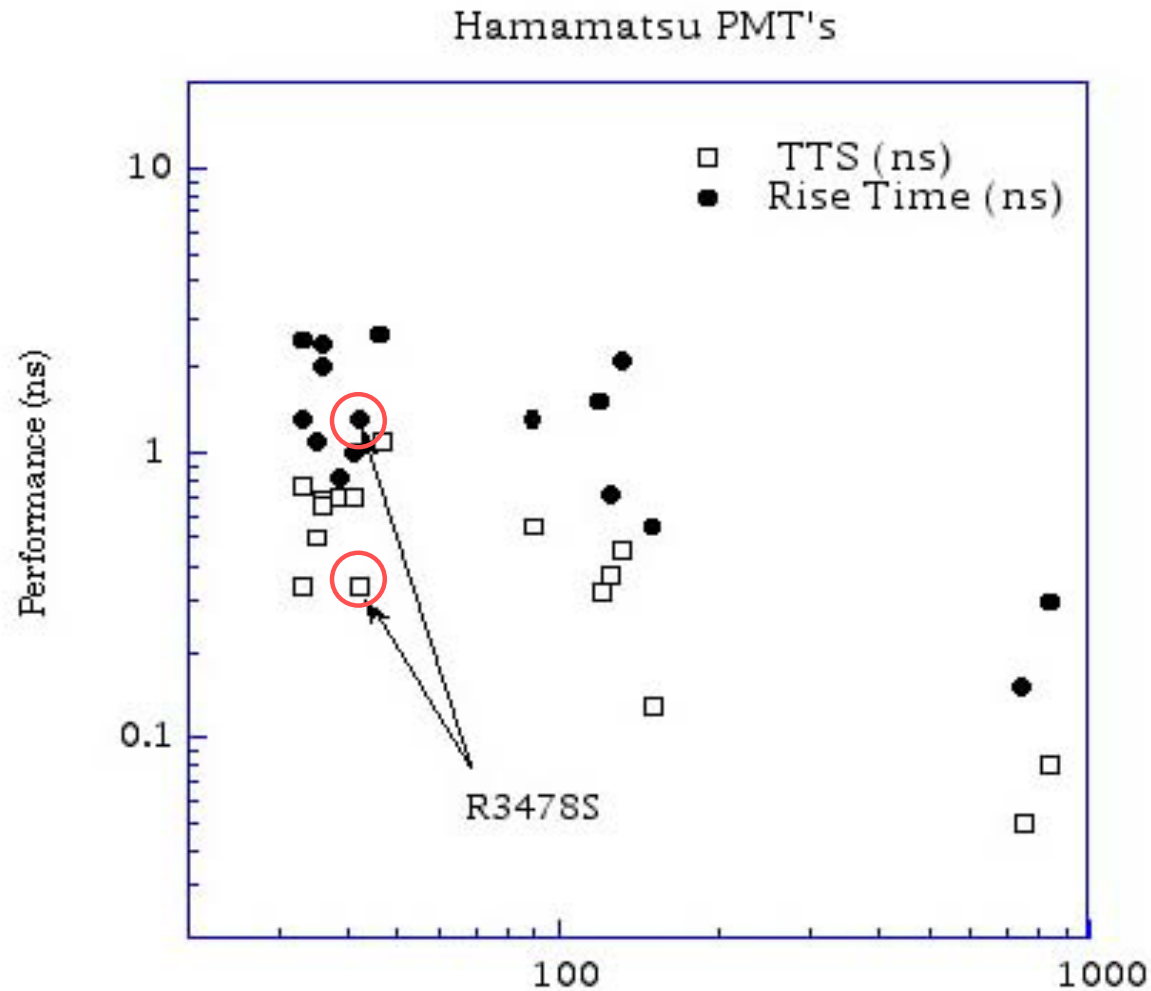
- leading edge discriminator
- programmable 4.2micro-sec AMU(both for TVC and QVC)
- 12 bit ADC
- Cross talk problem in timing,
and solution (=differential output) with two channels /ch.
- Clock sharing between the start timing detector and
the stop timing detector is important (use differential-ECL).

PMT intrinsic resolution



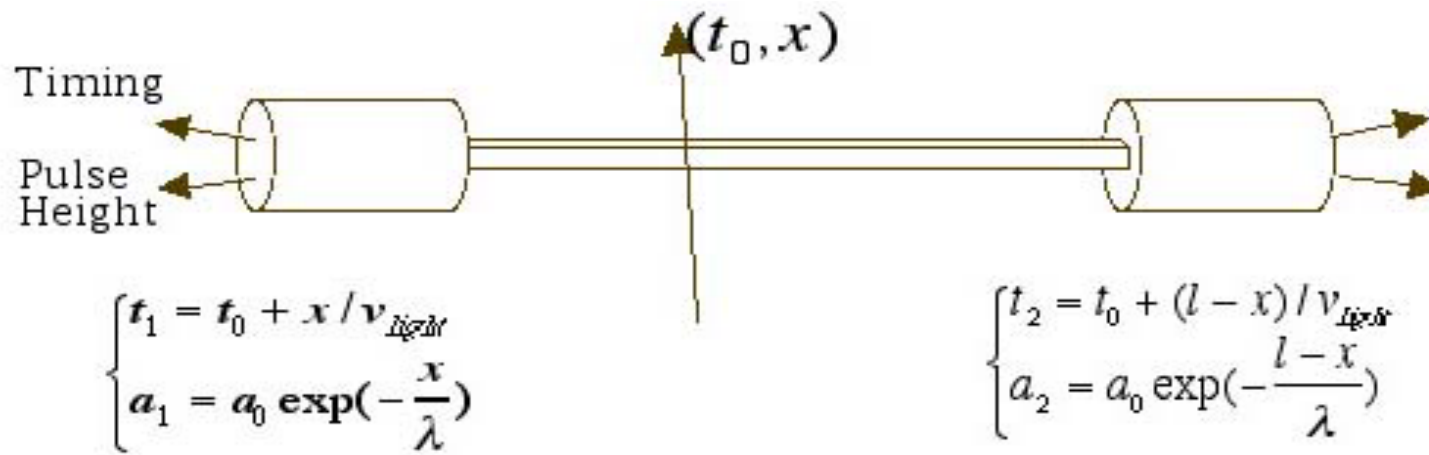
- Timing resolution decreases with larger p.e.#. Resolution < 100ps, for >10 p.e.
- Statistical behavior: $\delta t \propto 1/\sqrt{n_{p.e.}}$
- At larger p.e.#, other mechanism.

PMT selection



- Timing property of PMT
 - TTS(transit time spread) for 1 p.e.
 - Rise time
- Correlation between cost & performance

Basics of measurements



$$\begin{cases} t_0 = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} - l / v_{light} \\ x_0 = \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2} \cdot v_{light} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta t_0 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta t_1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta t_2}{2}\right)^2} \cong \frac{\delta t_1}{\sqrt{2}} \longrightarrow 100\text{ps}$$

$$\delta x = v_{light} \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta t_1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta t_2}{2}\right)^2} \cong v_{light} \cdot \frac{\delta t_1}{\sqrt{2}} \longrightarrow \text{then } 1.6\text{cm}$$

Precise TOF and Hit position

Double hit

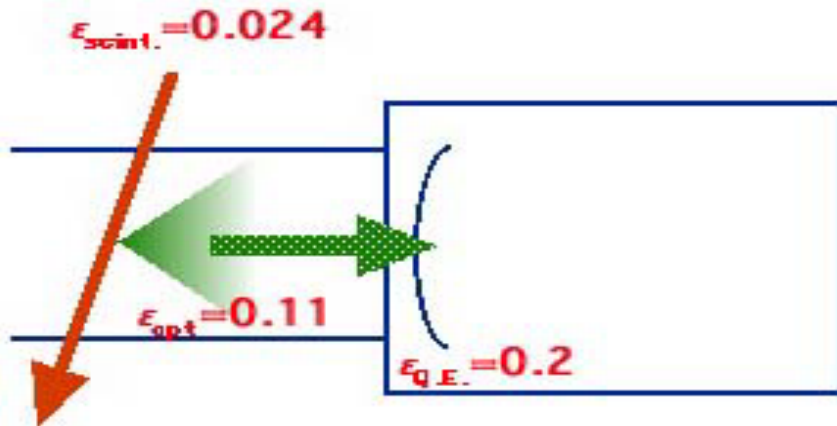
- Lose timing information \rightarrow must occupancy level low
- Consistency between ratio of ADC and TDC diff.

$$x = \frac{l}{2} - \log \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{a_2}}$$

$$x = \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2} \cdot v_{light}$$

Plastic scintillator

Intrinsic resolution



$$n_{p.e.}^{timing} = \frac{E_{loss}}{h\nu} \times \epsilon_{scint.} \times \epsilon_{optical} \times \epsilon_{Q.E.} \times \epsilon_{rise}$$

$$\cong \frac{2_{[MeV/cm]} \times 1.5_{[cm]}}{2_{[eV]}} \times 0.02 \times 0.11 \times 0.2 \times 0.1$$

$$\cong 50$$

$$\sigma = 390 / \sqrt{n_{p.e.}} \rightarrow \sigma_{scint} \approx 55 \text{ ps}$$

Concerns

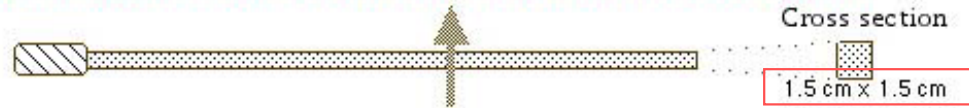
- 1) Light attenuation & Timing degradation with respect to distance from PMT.
- 2) Rod with smaller Cross sectional size
- 3) TOF resolution
- 4) Aging effect



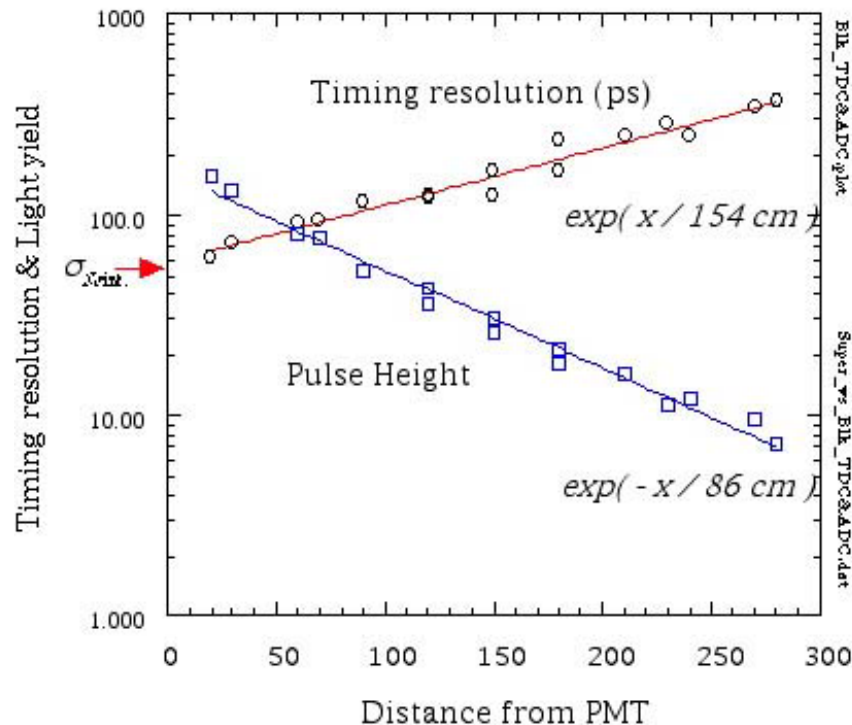
See next slides for details

(1) Light attenuation vs. Timing degradation

Light attenuation length vs. Timing degradation length



Bulk 1.5 cm sq. scintillator (BC404)



Intuitive explanation

- Light yield ($\propto n_{p.e.}$) = $e^{-x/\lambda}$
- Timing resolution $\propto n_{p.e.}^{-1/2} = e^{x/2\lambda}$

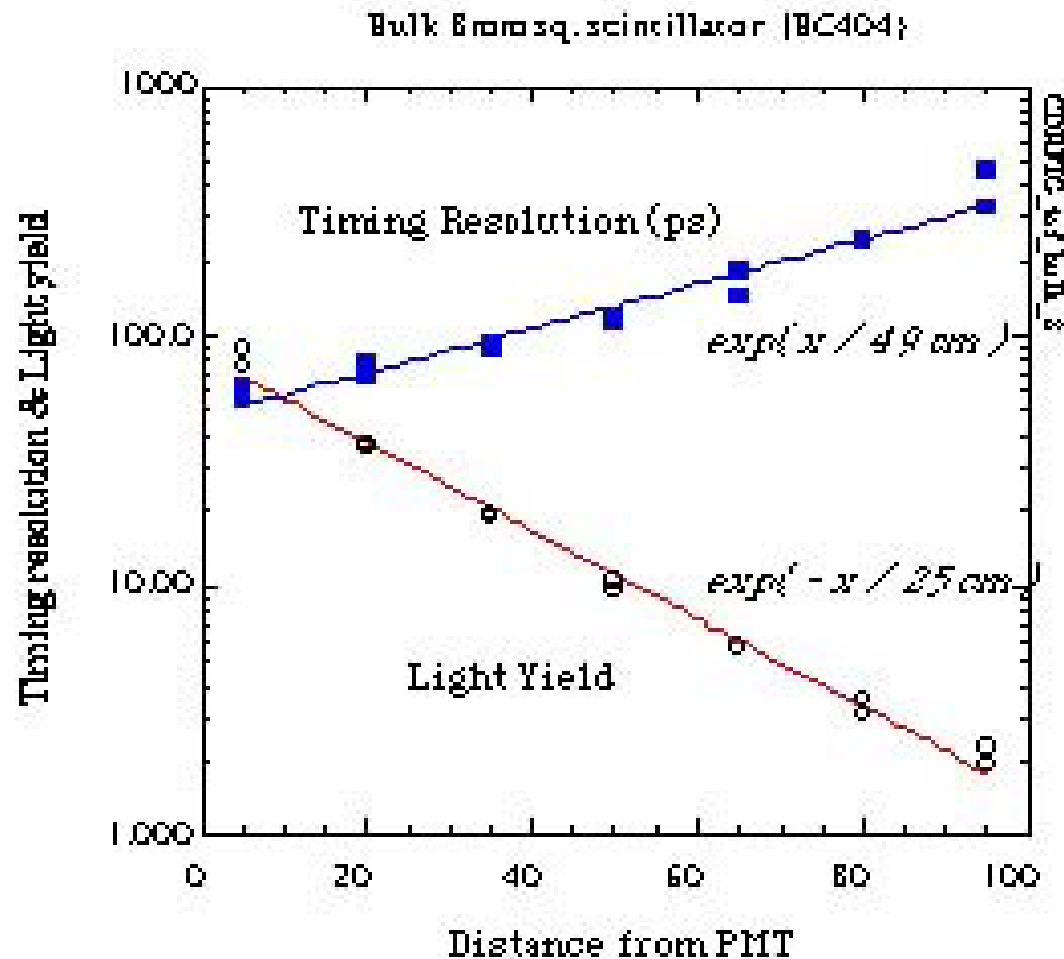
$$\lambda_{\text{timing}} = 2 \cdot \lambda_{\text{yield}}$$

Light yield decreases exponentially

Timing resolution degrades exponentially, too.

$$\lambda_{\text{timing}} = 2 \cdot \lambda_{\text{yield}}$$

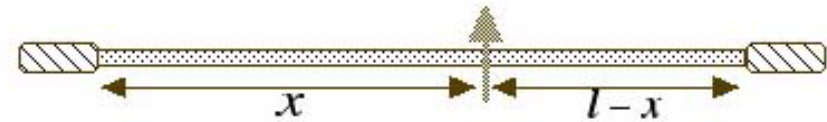
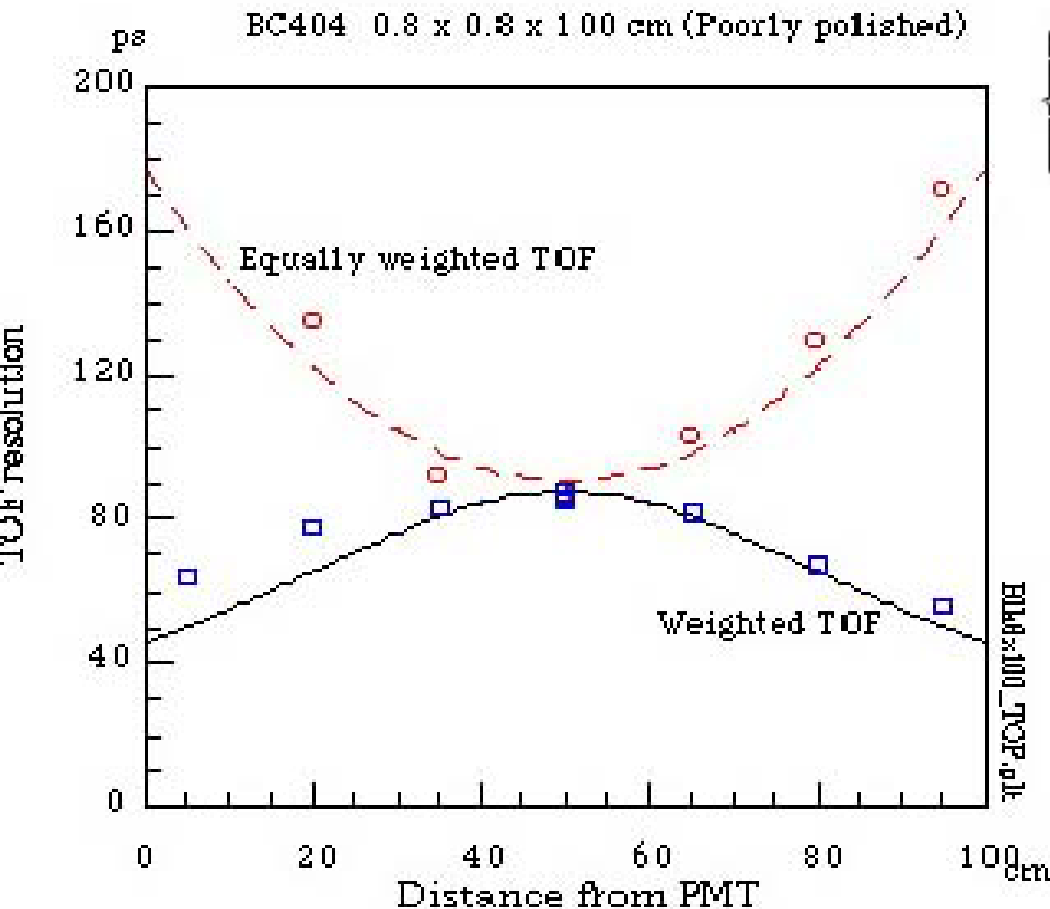
(2) Small cross sectional size



Cross section
0.8 cm x 0.8 cm

Same exponential behavior, but shorter attenuation length,
and $\lambda_{\text{yield}} \propto d$ for smaller cross sectional size (d) .

(3) TOF resolution



$$\begin{cases} \delta t_1 = c_0 \exp\left(\frac{x}{\lambda_r}\right) \\ \delta t_2 = c_0 \exp\left(\frac{l-x}{\lambda_r}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \delta\left(\frac{t_1+t_2}{2}\right) = \frac{c_0}{2} \sqrt{\exp\left(2\frac{x}{\lambda_r}\right) + \exp\left(2\frac{l-x}{\lambda_r}\right)}$$

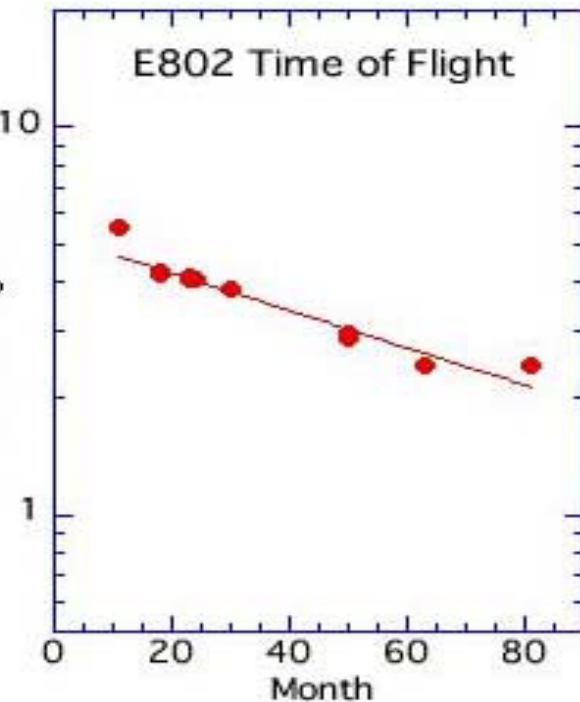
Weighted TOF

see \rightarrow NIM A349(1994)447-45

Consistent with exponential behavior

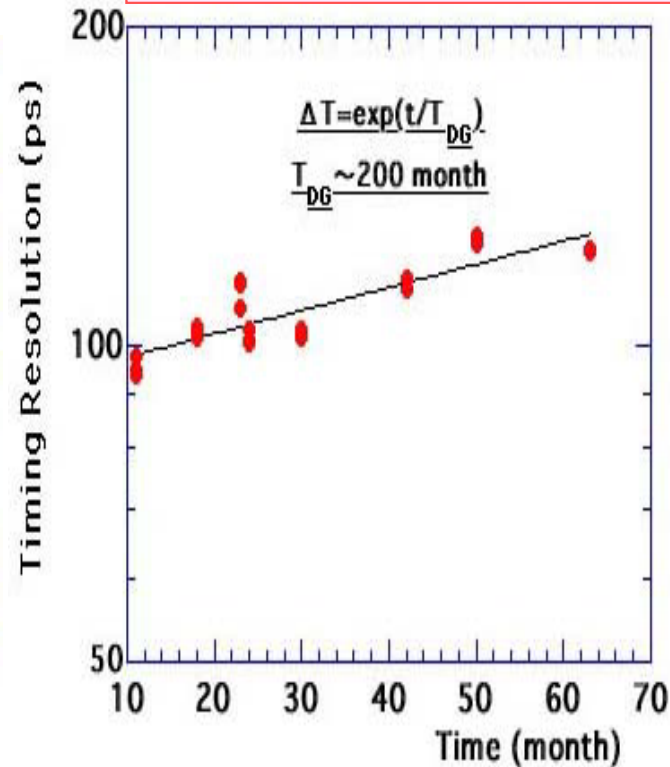
(4) Aging effect

Pulse height



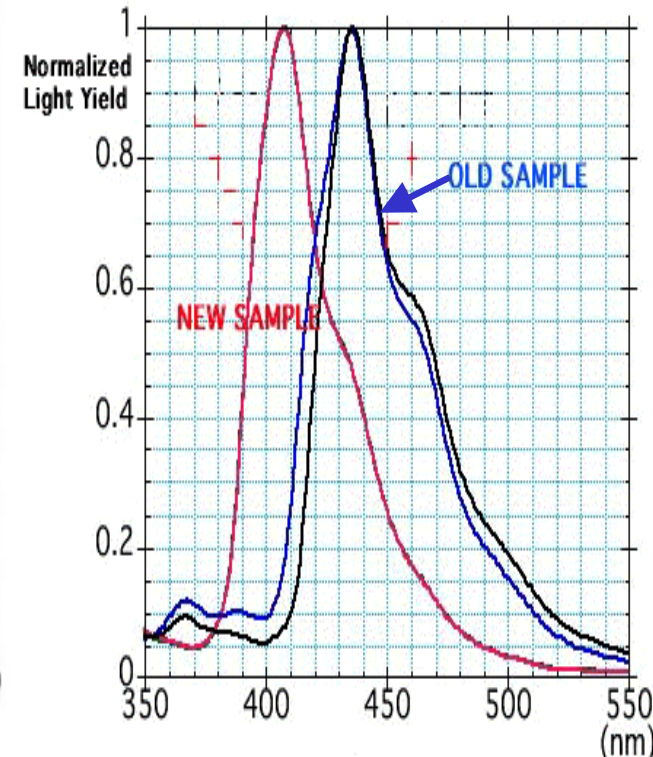
- Exponential decrease
- Life time of 8 years

Timing resolution



- Exponential degradation
- Lifetime of ~17 years

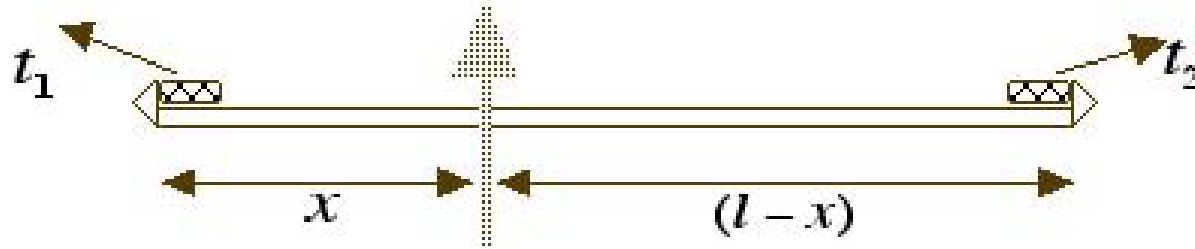
Optical property



- Change in emission spectrum
- More damage in the region closer to the surface
→ Oxidization ?

Consistent with statistical picture.

Expected effects of Cherenkov



$$\begin{cases} t_1 = t_0 + x / v_{light} \\ t_2 = t_0 + (l-x) / v_{light} \end{cases} \quad \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2} = \frac{x - l/2}{v_{light}}$$

$$\therefore -\frac{l}{2v_{light}} \leq \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2} \leq \frac{l}{2v_{light}} \quad ; \text{Length of the scintillator} \\ \text{(Condition on the fiducial)}$$

At $x \sim 0$, the effect of Cherenkov emission is on t_1 , while no effect on t_2 .

$$t_1' = t_1 - \Delta \quad \text{500ps} \sim \text{1000ps}$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{t_1' - t_2}{2} = -\frac{l}{2 \cdot v_{light}} \left(-\frac{\Delta}{2} \right)$$

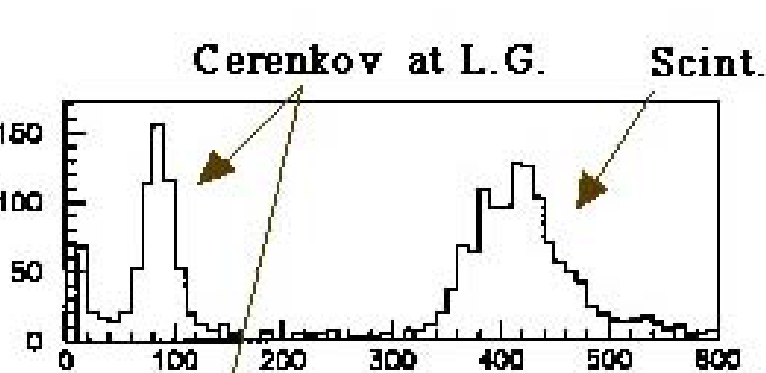
Similarly, at $x \sim l$,

$$t_2' = t_2 - \Delta$$

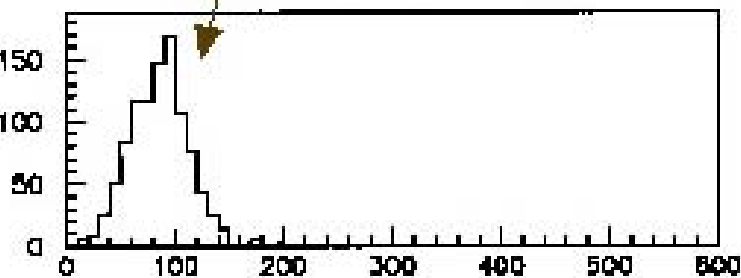
$$\longrightarrow \frac{t_1 - t_2'}{2} = \frac{l}{2 \cdot v_{light}} \left(+\frac{\Delta}{2} \right)$$

Pointing
outside of
the scintillator

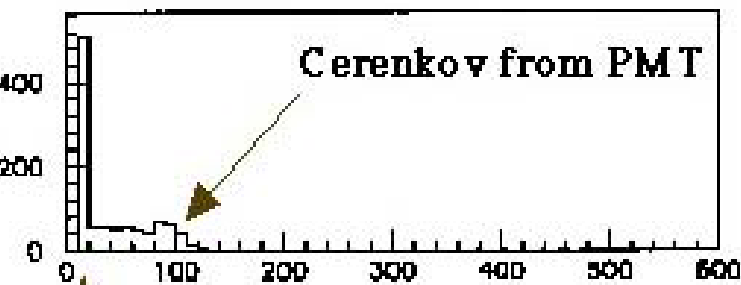
Pulse height of Scintillator & Cherenkov light



PMT+LG+Scint 7452

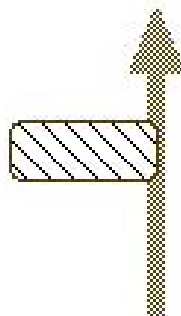
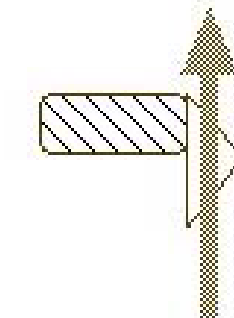
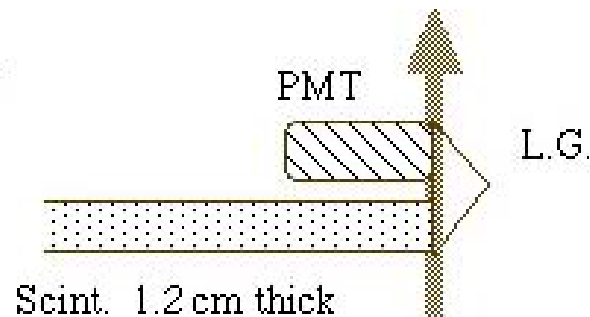


PMT+LG 7487



PMT 7480

Pedestal

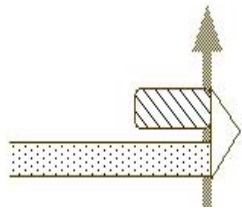


-Scintillation and Cherenkov light from LG can be separated clearly

-Cherenkov emission from the PMT is localized at the photocathode (2mm)

Cherenkov Effect on Timing

→ Fiducial cut with timing difference

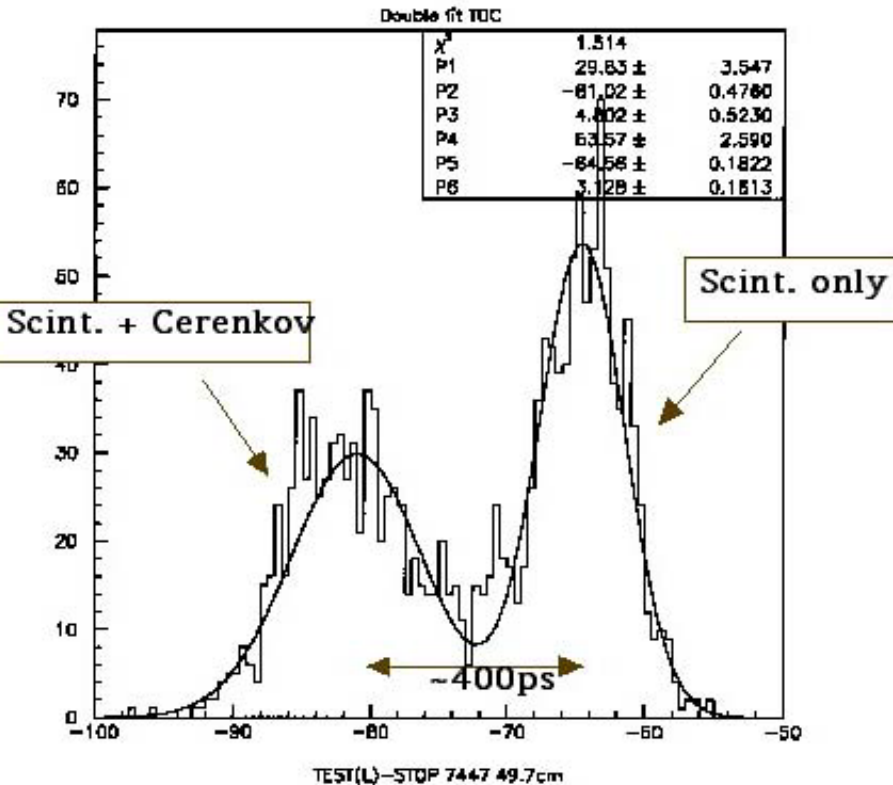
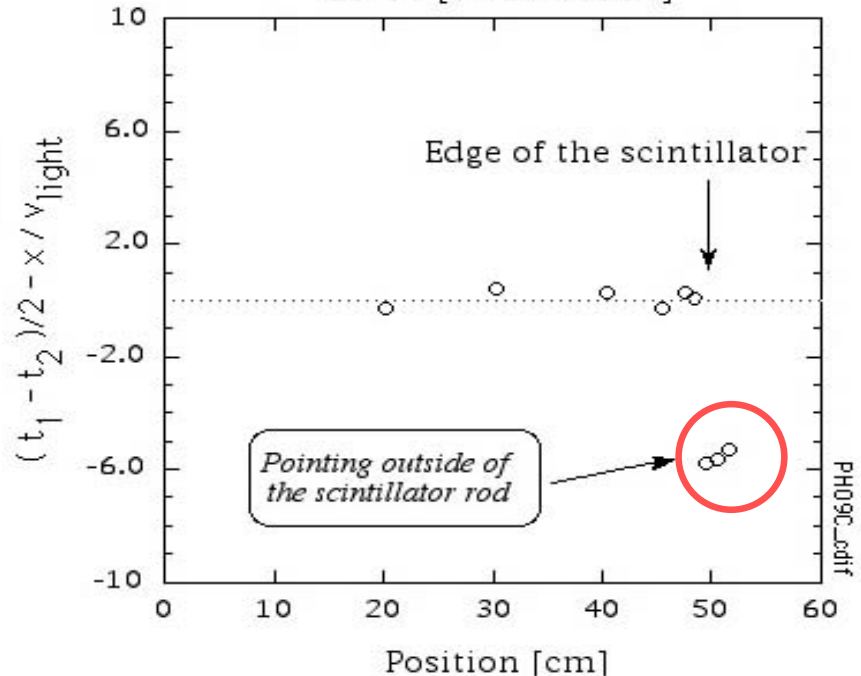


Cerenkov light emission at photocathode



Timing Jump due to the Cerenkov Light in PMT & L.G.

BC404 [1 x 2 x 100 cm]

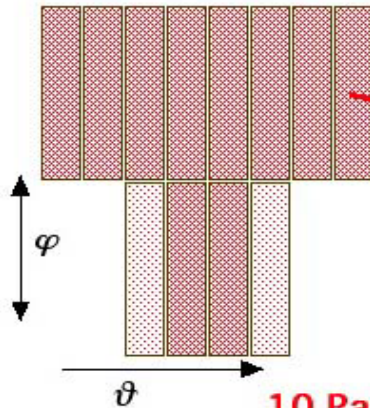


Early timing seen at the photocathode region (~2mm)

Pointing outside
→ **Self detectable !!**

(Mechanical Structure)

View from Vertex



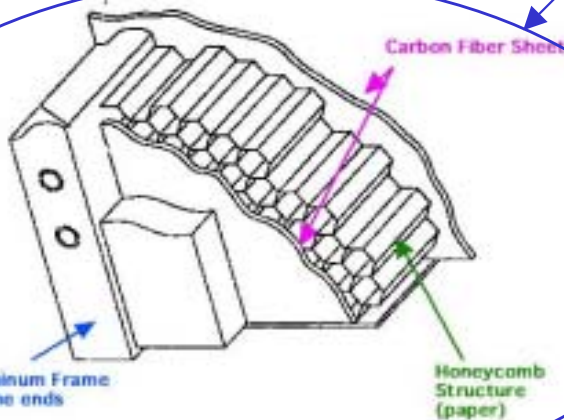
10 Panels

192 cm x 49 cm x 15.7 cm
96 slats (192 PMT)



PMT

Plastic
Scintillator
(Bicron BC404)

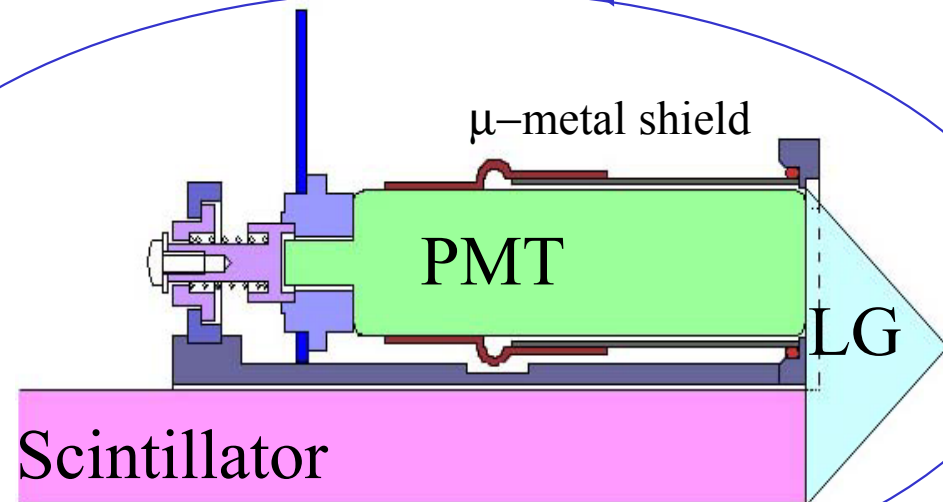


Carbon Fiber Sheet

Honeycomb
Structure
(paper)

Aluminum Frame
on the ends

Honey comb + Carbon fiber sheet
for supporting structure with “no mass”



μ -metal shield

PMT

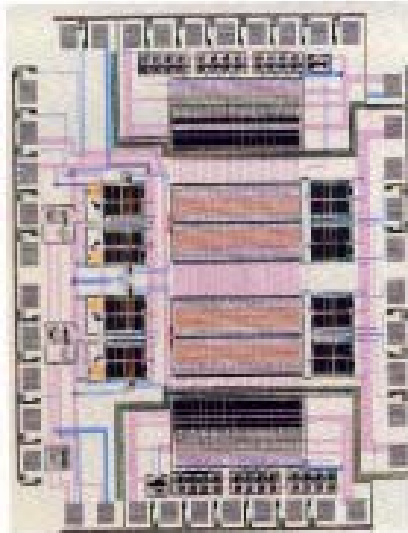
LG

Scintillator

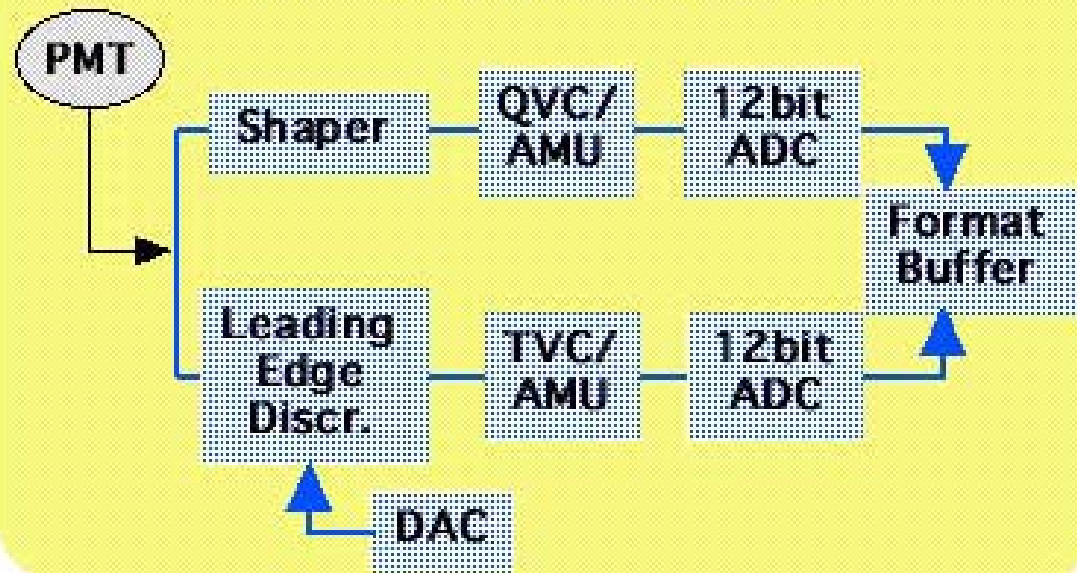
Easy maintenance of PMT and bleeder
Easy light shield using rubber tube & O-ring

Features of TOF-FEM

Custom made
TVC/AMU chip



Block Diagram of FEE



Custom-made chips of TVC+AMU and QVC+AMU.

- overall timing resolution of <25 ps
- cross talk problem → see next slide

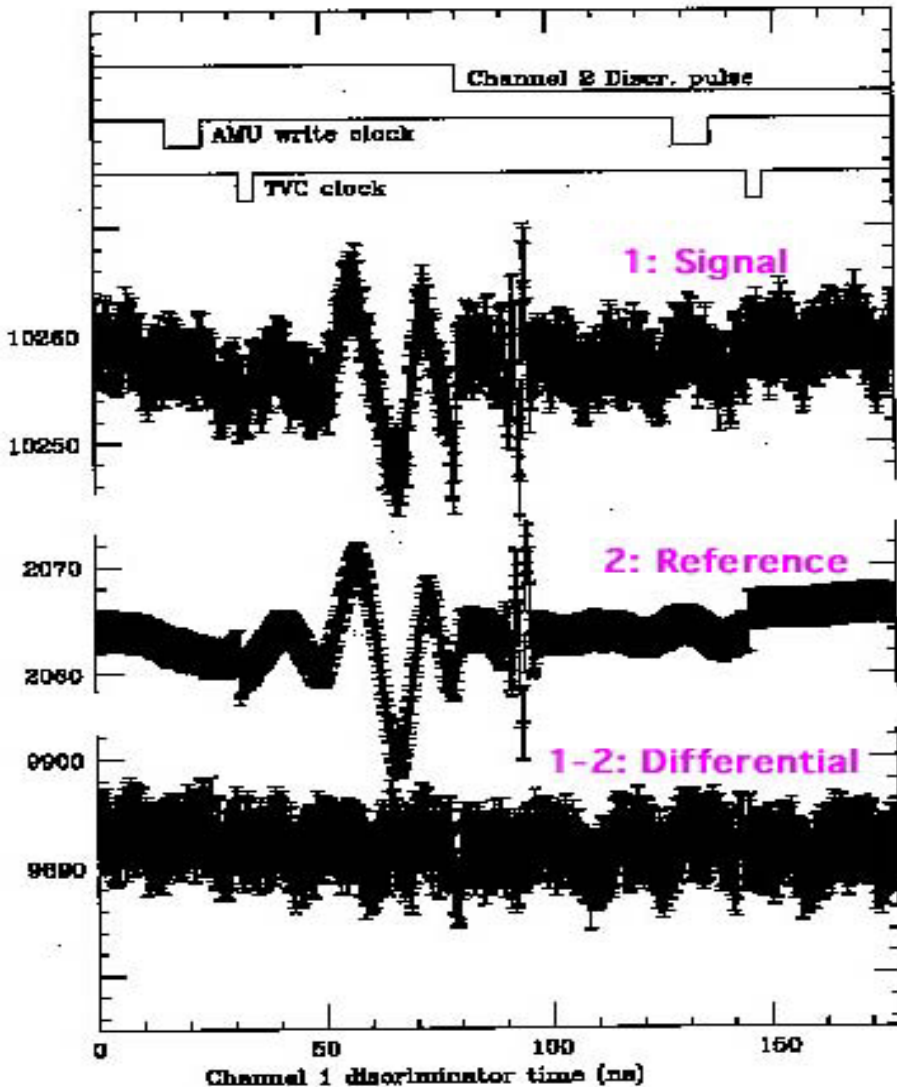
Programmable Analogue Memory Unit

- programmable up to 4 micro-sec.

Clock is shared with start counter FEM which is transmitted by **differential** ECL.

Cross talk problem

Differential output ; breakthrough



Each channel consist of 2 independent Ch

- One connected to PMT
- The other serves as “antenna” for the cross talk.

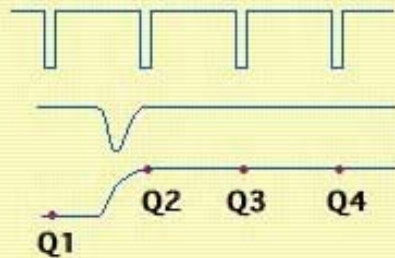
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No cross talk in the differential output

Charge measurement as an example

Sampling Clock

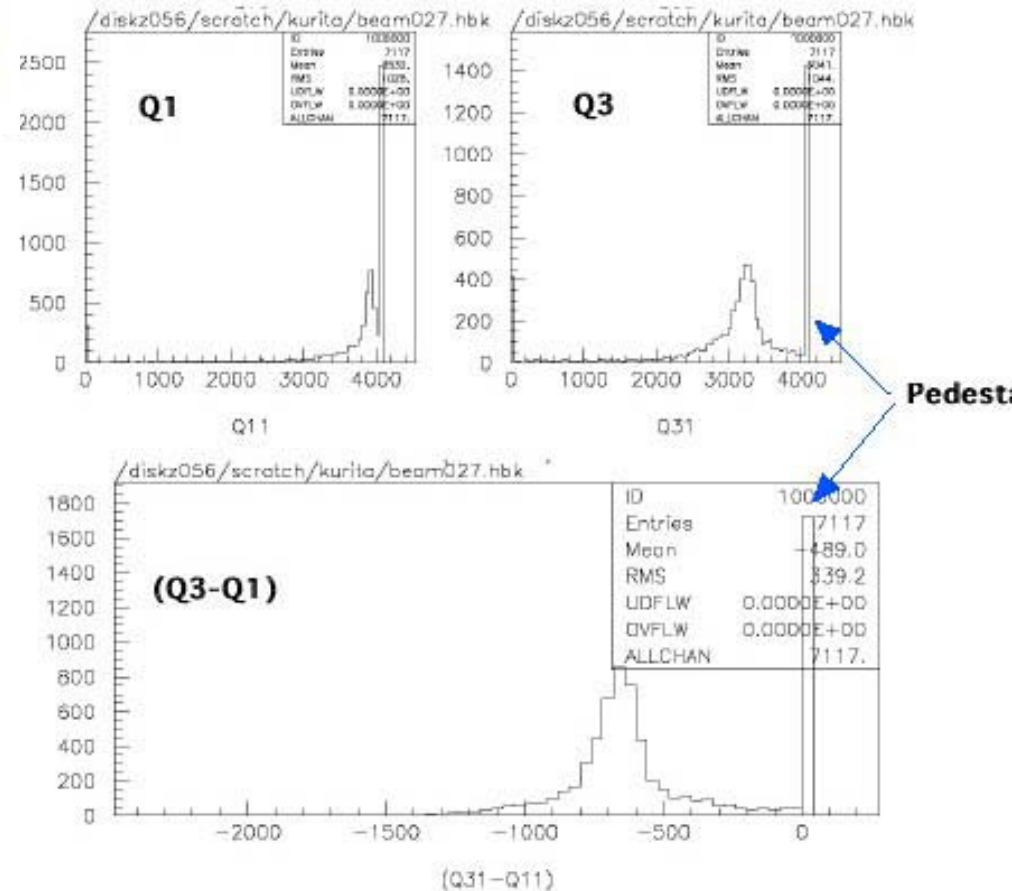
PMT signal

Integrated Signal



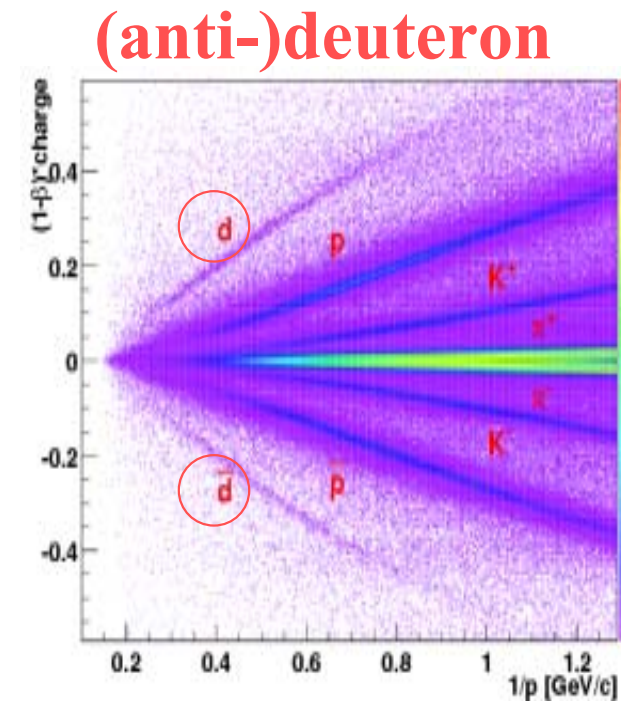
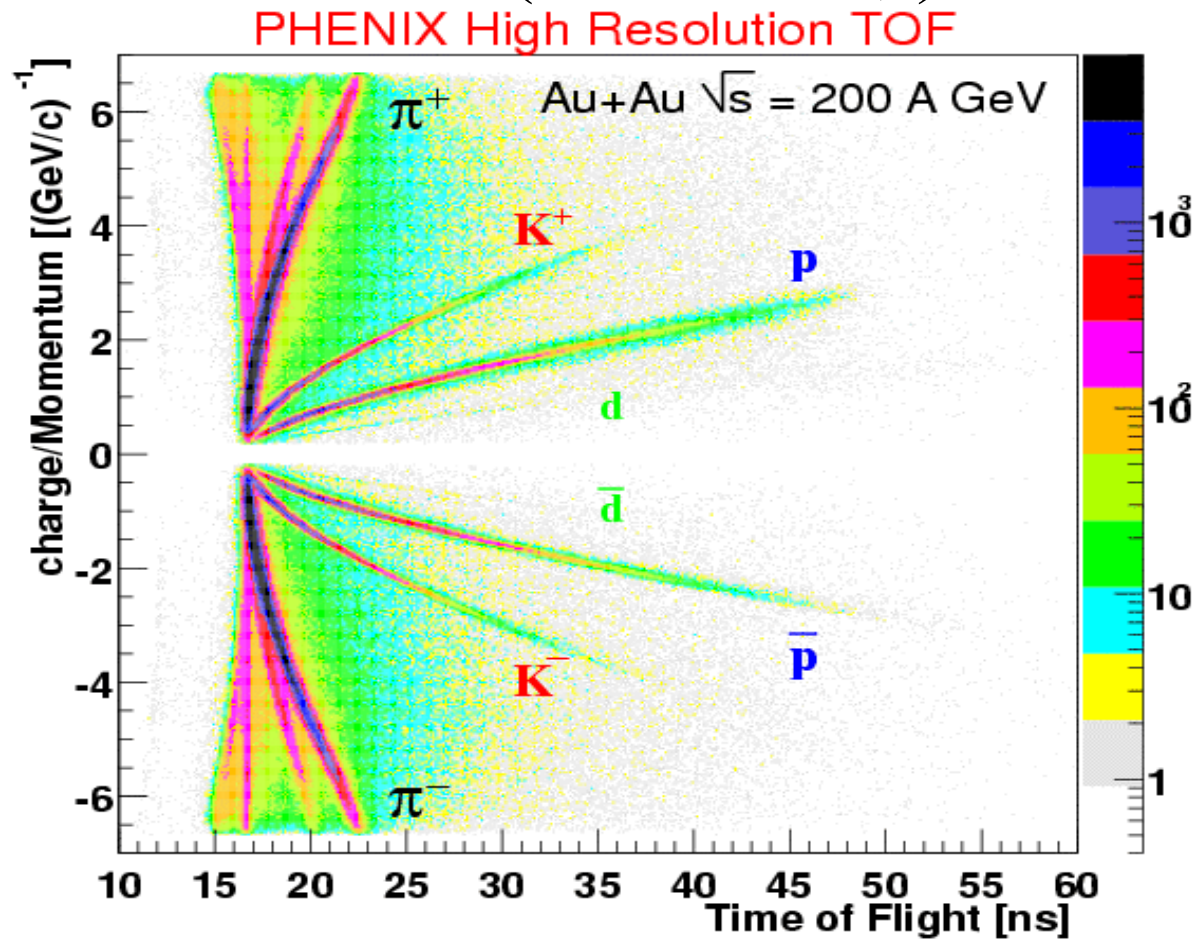
Voltage of integrator are sampled at each clock.

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(Q3-Q1) gives the integrated charge.



What does it give now ?

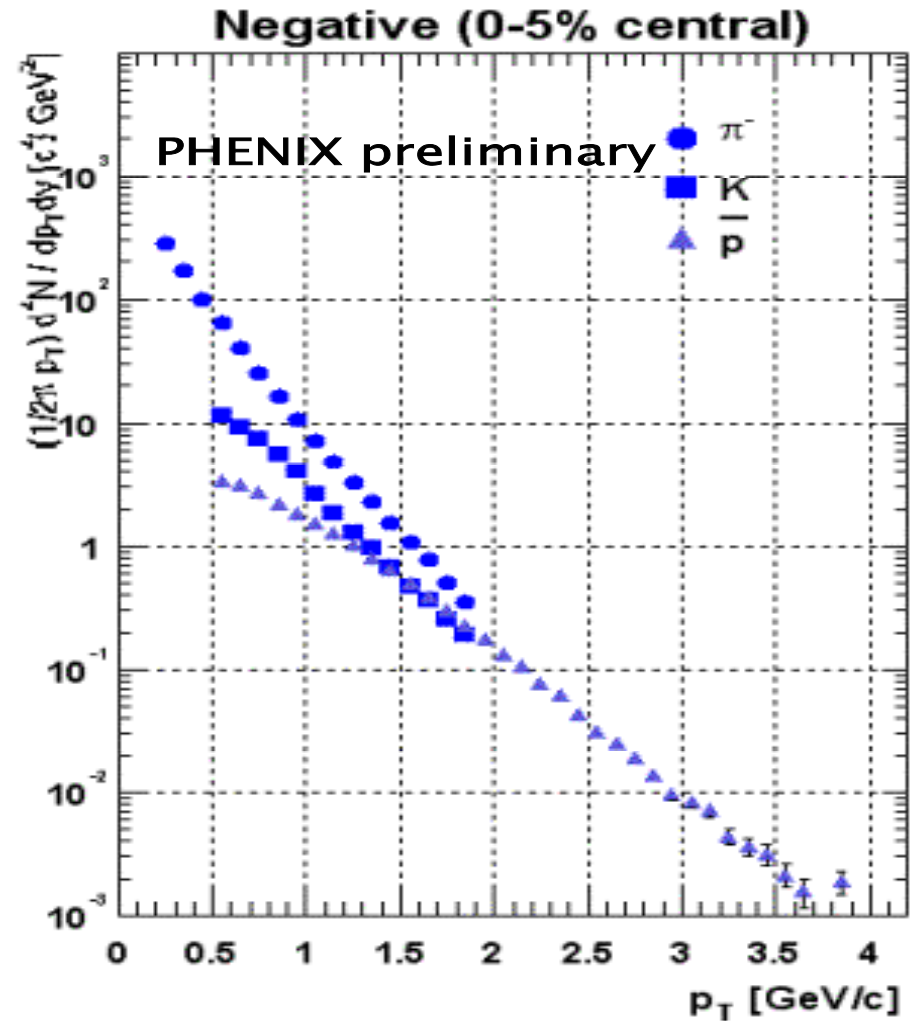
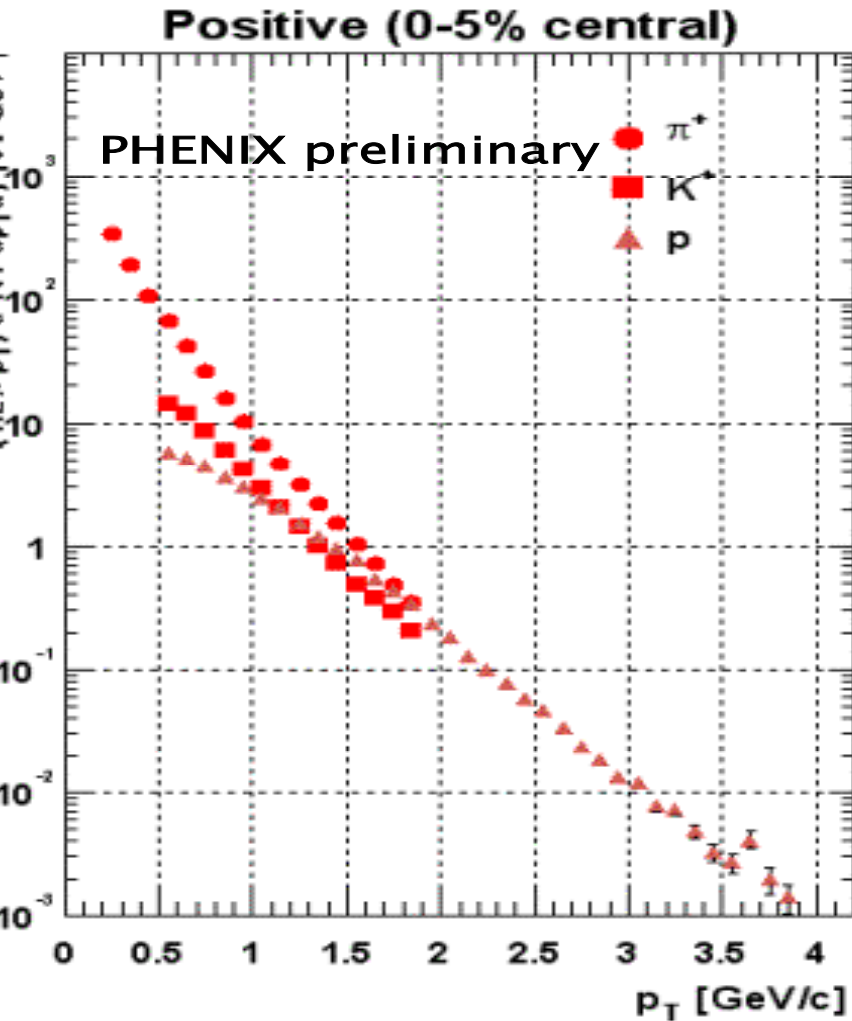
(First of all,) \rightarrow Hadron Identification



- Pion, Kaon, proton, and deuteron are clearly identified.
- Overall, ~ 120 ps time resolution is achieved

What does it give now ?

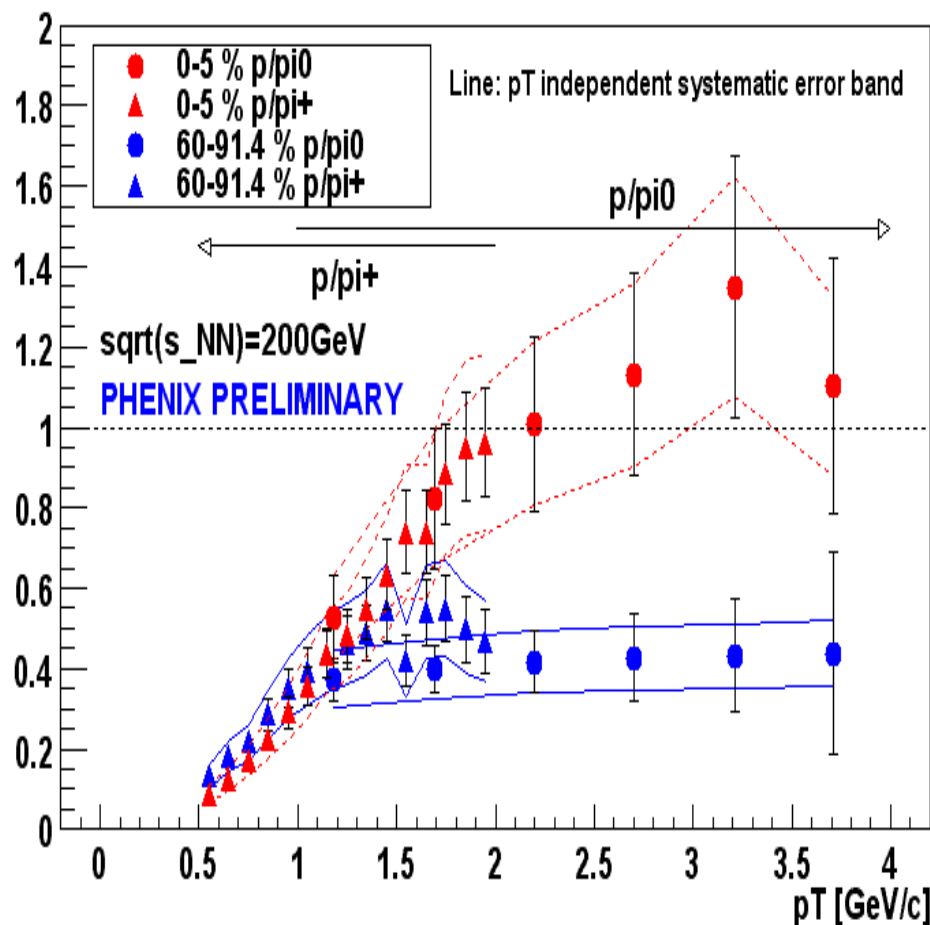
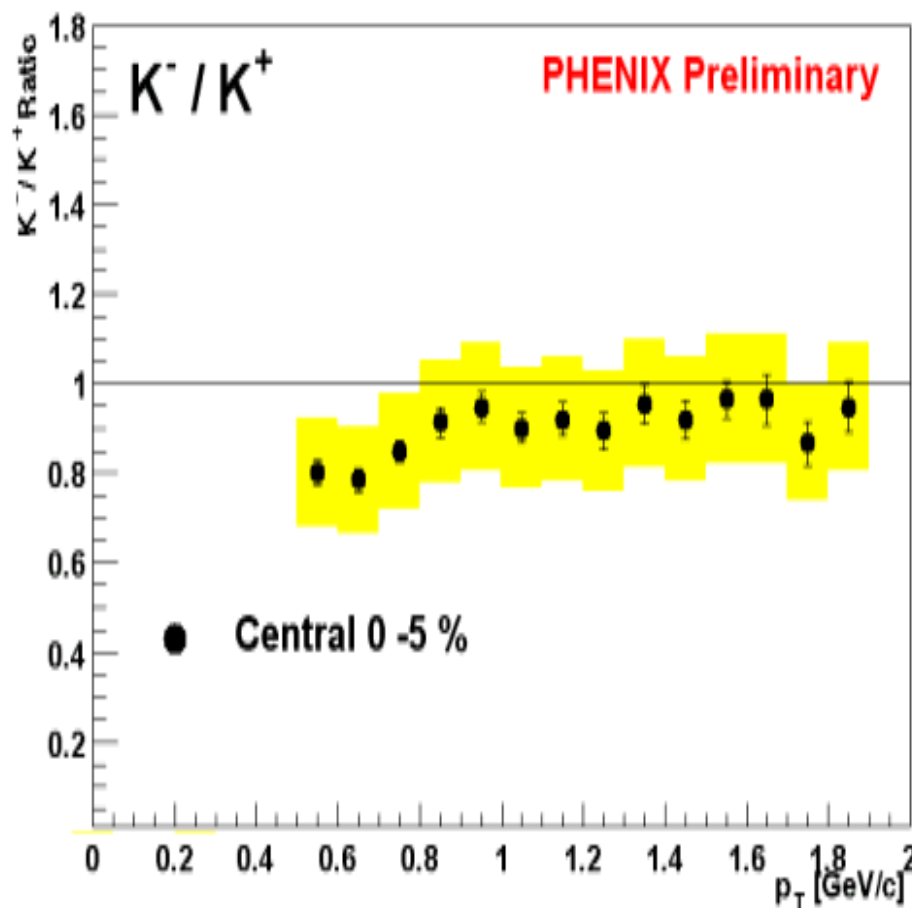
(e.g. #1) → Single particle transverse momentum Spectra / Ratio



Pion , Kaon up to 2 GeV/c, Proton up to 4 GeV/c.

What does it give now ?

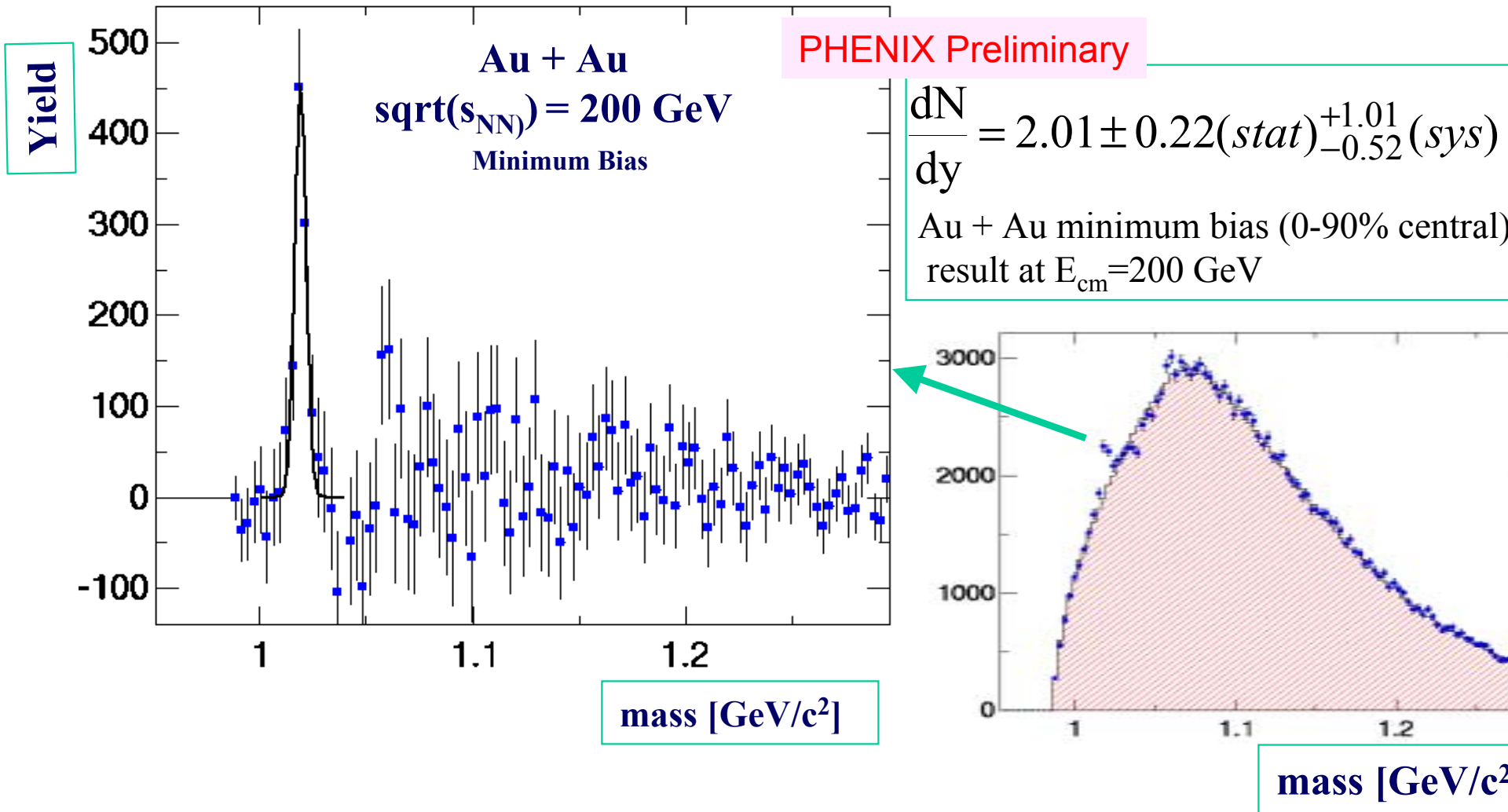
(e.g.#2) \rightarrow Particle Ratio



Kaon up to 2 GeV/c, Proton/pion⁽⁰⁾ up to 4 GeV/c.
Proton/pion⁽⁰⁾ changes from “< 1.” to “>1” at $\sim 2\text{ GeV/c}$.

What does it give now ?

(e.g. #3) $\rightarrow \phi$ meson measurement in K^+K^- decay

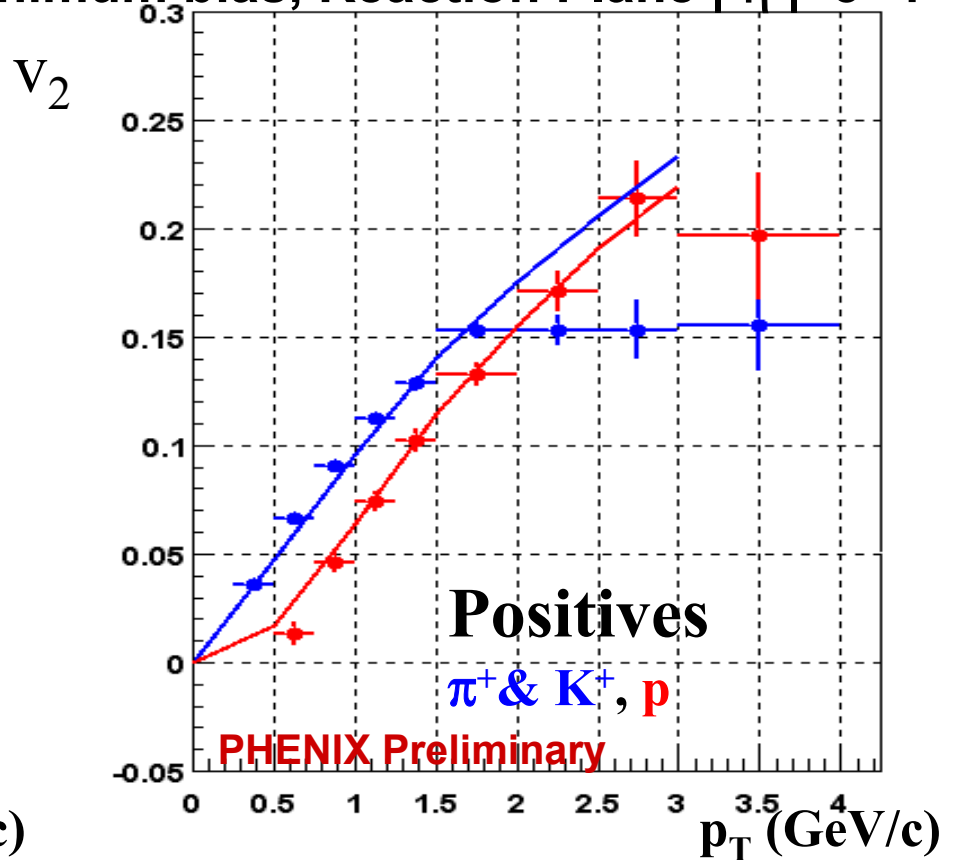
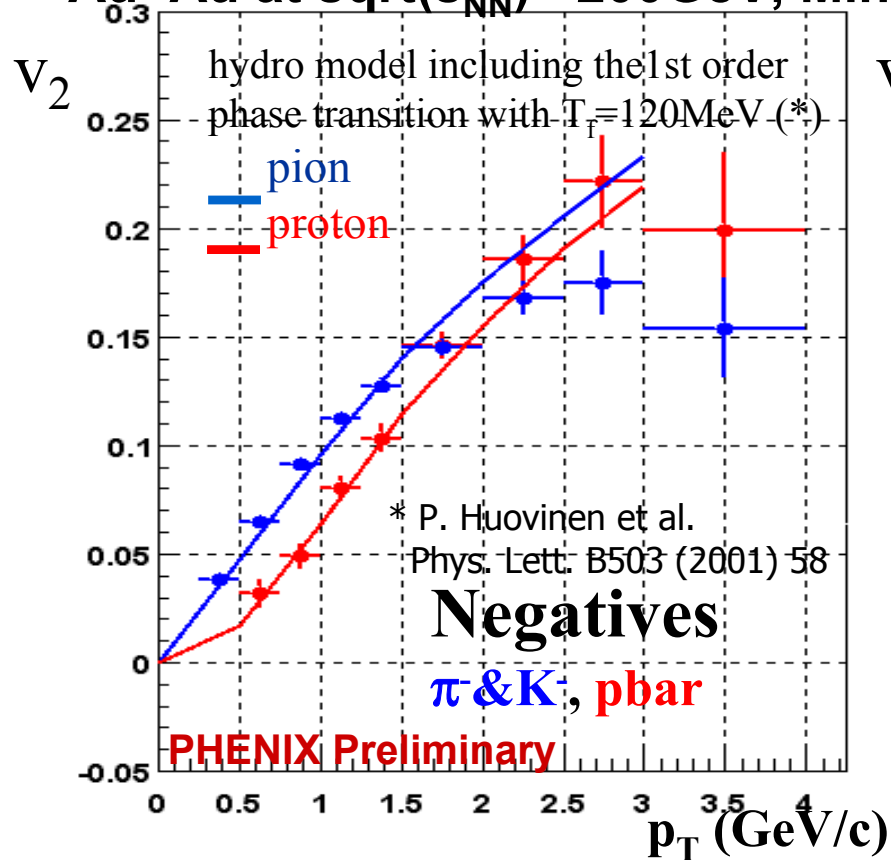


Clear identification of the ϕ meson

What does it give now ?

(e.g. #4) \rightarrow Elliptic flow measurement

Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$, Minimum bias, Reaction Plane $|\eta| = 3 \sim 4$



- Up to 4 GeV, v_2 has been measured.
- Deviation for pions from model at higher p_T ?

Summary

- (1) The TOF is designed for Singles, HBT, f-meson measurement and successfully operated for the PID (up to $\sim 2 \text{ GeV}$ for pion and kaon, and up to $\sim 4 \text{ GeV/c}$ for (anti-)proton).
- (2) The skills/ techniques of the detector are described.
 - PMT performs with statistical picture ($\sigma \propto 1/\sqrt{n_{p.e.}}$).
 - Light yield and timing resolution are consistently described with statistical picture ($\lambda_{timing} = 2 \cdot \lambda_{yield}$).
 - Aging effect (life time of timing resolution ~ 17 years) is intuitively described with statistical picture.
 - Readout electronics uses differential technique in FEM, and long-distance clock transmission.
- (3) TOF now gives important physics measurements at RHIC energy ex.1-2, single particle spectra, ratio, ex.3, ϕ meson measurement, or, ex.4, elliptic flow at higher pt.

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