Calibration and Monitoring System of Analog Tile HCAL

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Introduction

AHCAL Signal chain:

particle shower → MIPs → scintillator → photons (UV)

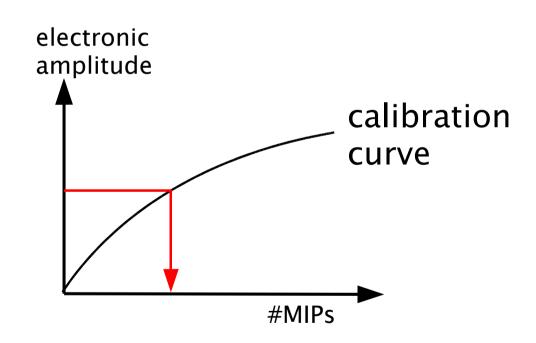
- → SiPM (non-linear) → photo-electrons
- → amplification → electronic signal

Calibration:

convert detector signal into number of MIPs traversing the tile

Monitoring:

monitor time-stability of detector response to fixed signals



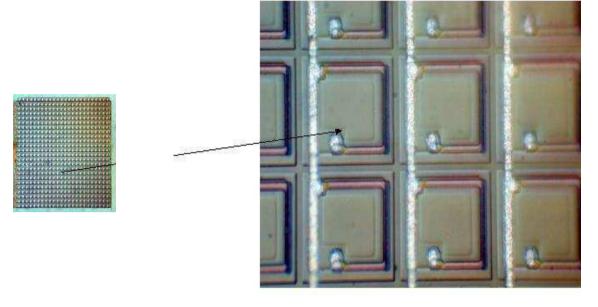
SiPM non-linearity

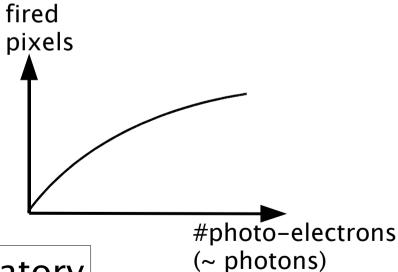
photon
quantum eff.

photo-electron (p.e.)
Geiger mode

avalanche discharge
dead-time,
pixel is blind to
other photons

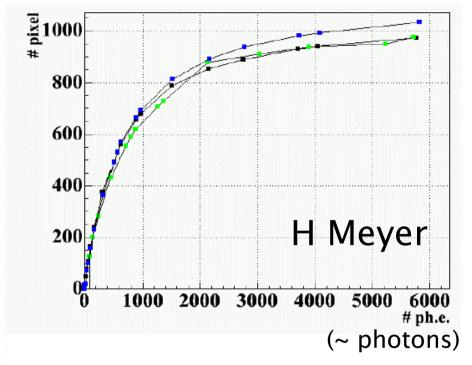
pixel fires

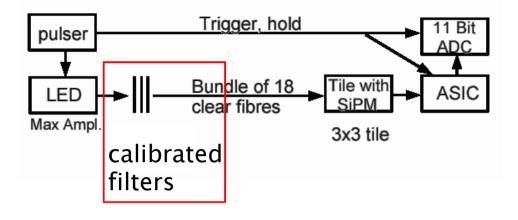




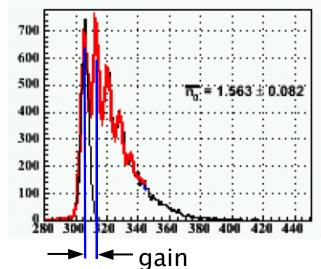
Measure saturation curve in laboratory and apply during operation

Lab measurement of SiPM non-linearity



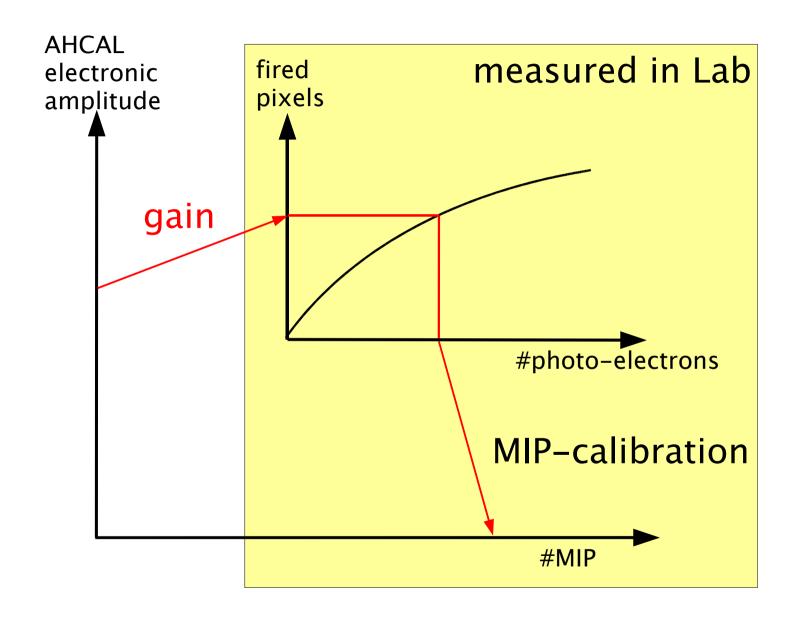


spectrum for strongest filter:



- relative light intensity known (calibrated filters)
- absolute calibration from linear part: 1 fired pixel = 1 p.e.
- #fired pixels from gain measurement

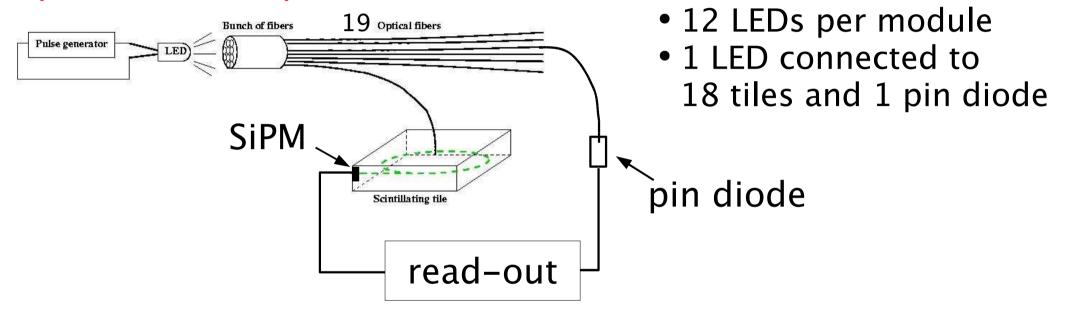
Calibration of AHCAL signals



HCAL-integrated LED system

use UV photons to excite scintillator

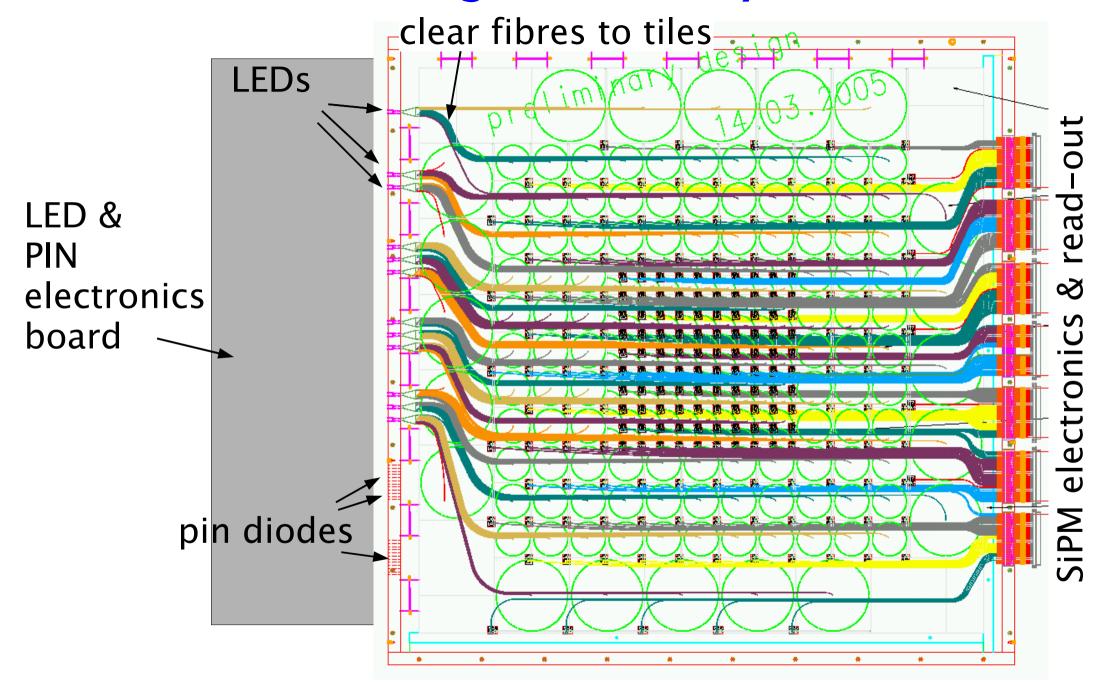
Operation Principle:



LED intensity:

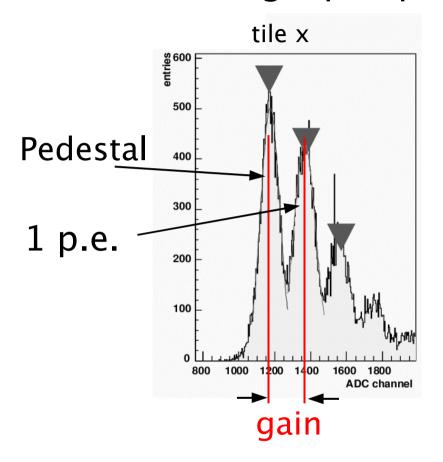
- can be varied by changing voltage
- measured with pin diode

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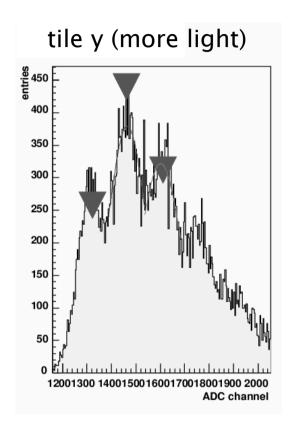


In situ gain measurement

distance of single p.e. peaks: low LED intensity



Problem: too much light washes out peak structure



- 1 LED voltage setting gives single p.e. peaks in all 18 SiPMs?
- → intensity at tiles should vary less than factor ~3

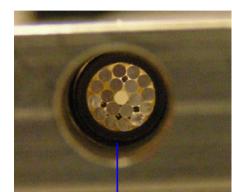
Recent Progress on Light Uniformity

LED to fibre bundle coupling

improved design:

- straight bundle end,
- centred in front of LE



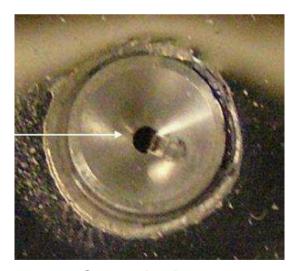


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coupling of fibre light into tiles:

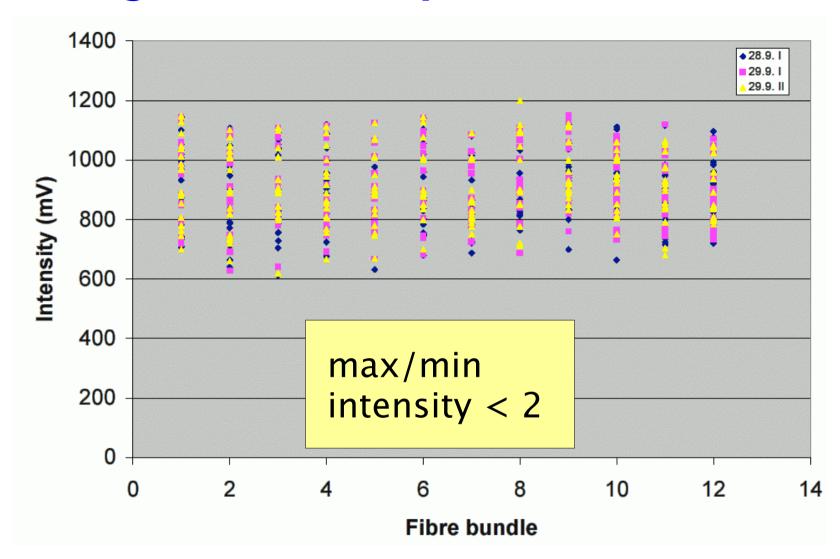
- Al alloy mirror cups
- mechanically robust

also studied but found to be ok: LED light emission anisotropy



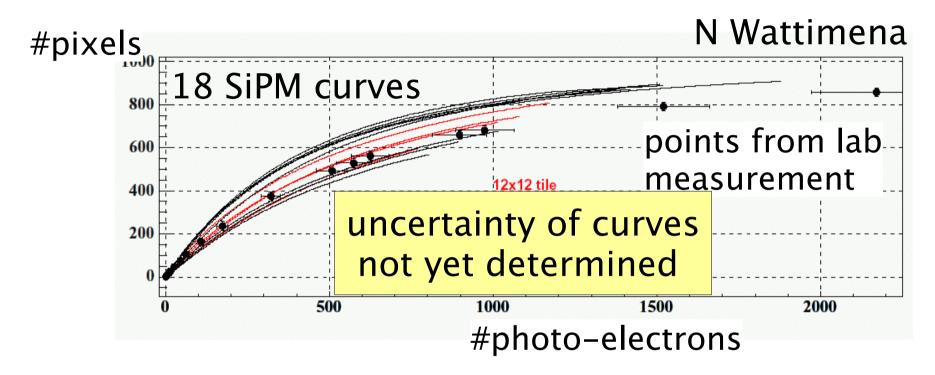
view from below

Light Uniformity in Test Module



→ single p.e. peaks should be visible in all 18 SiPMs (to be demonstrated)

Study of in situ measurement of SiPM non-linearity

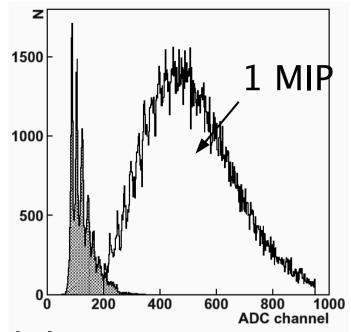


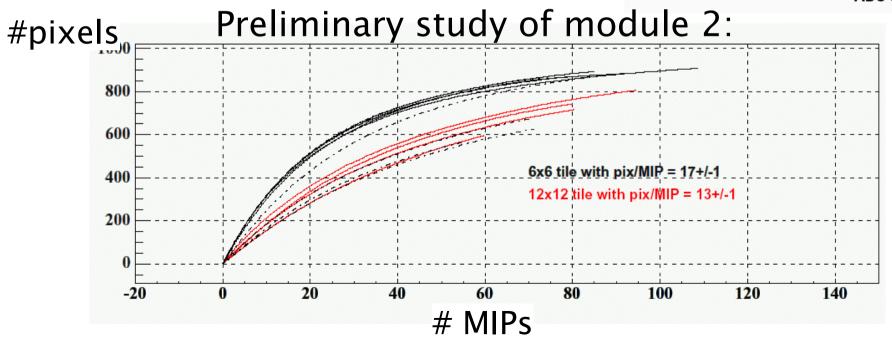
- LED intensity varied with DAQ
- intensity measured with pin diode (a.u.)
- absolute calibration from linear part of curve
- to come: study of uncertainties

MIP Calibration (Lab)

simultaneous lab measurement of p.e. peaks and MIP (β-source)

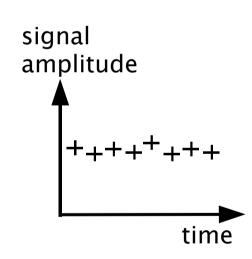
1 MIP = 15(2) p.e. (different for every tile)





Monitoring of response to 3 MIP LED intensity

- monitor time-stability of Scintillator+WLS capture+transfer to SiPM
- fixed UV LED signal corresponding to ≈ 3 MIP ($\pm \approx 50\%$)
- LED intensity stability measured with pin diode
- measure with 1% precision (determined by statistics)



Summary

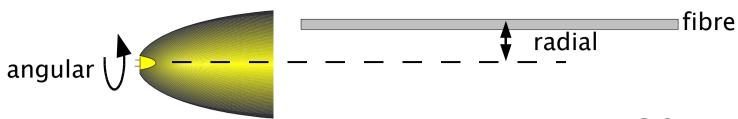
- special LED light uniformity requirements from SiPMs met (recent improvement)
- SiPM saturation measurement in lab & in situ
- LEDs provide sufficient saturation reach

Outlook

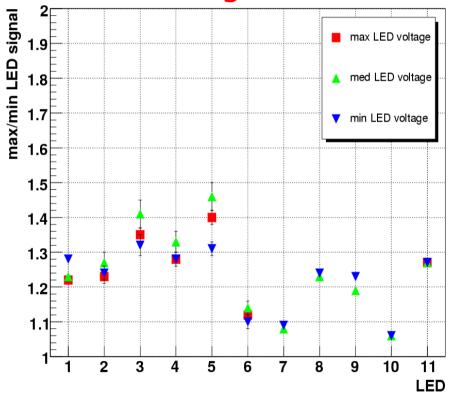
- working demonstration of calibration and monitoring system (Hall 5)
- determine length of gain and monitoring runs vs. measurement precision
- software to automatise these runs

Backup Slides

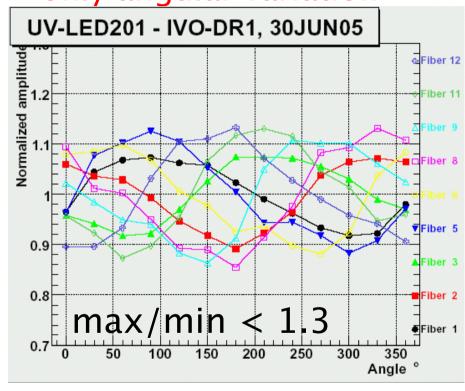
LED Light Cone Measurements



DESY, 11 LEDs radial and angular variation



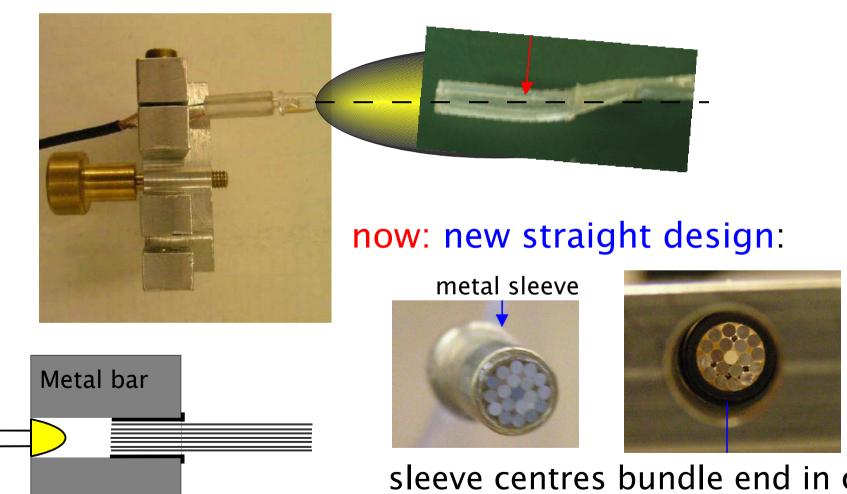
Prague, 30 LEDs only angular variation



LED contribution: Factor < 1.5

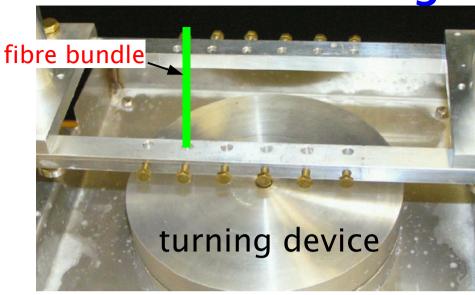
Study: LED/fibre Coupling

was: glued fibre bundle ends banana-shaped, bundle not aligned with LED axis:



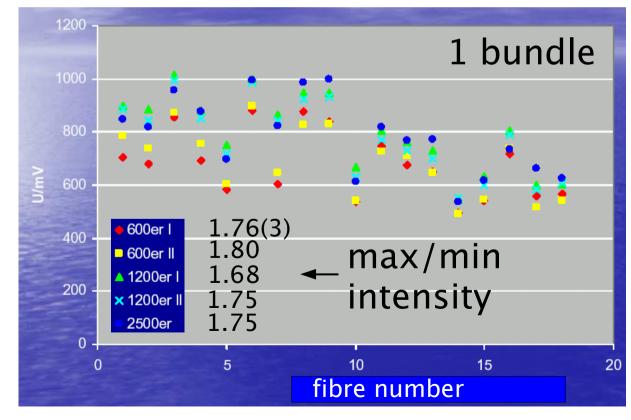
Study: Glued Bundle End Surface Polishing

polished with abrasive paper with machine (before: manually)



more light for finer paper granularity (2500 is finest)

max/min does not improve with finer granularity

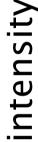


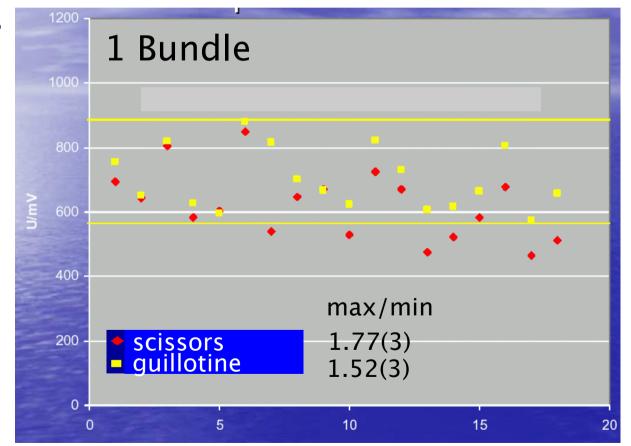
Study: Loose Fibre Ends

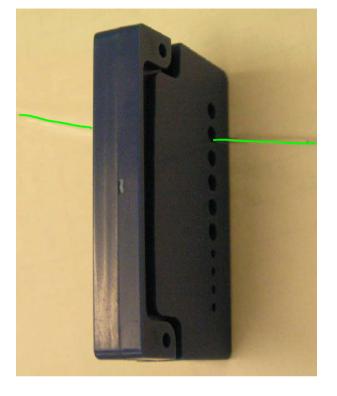
before: cutted with scissors

and manually polished

now: guillotine knife





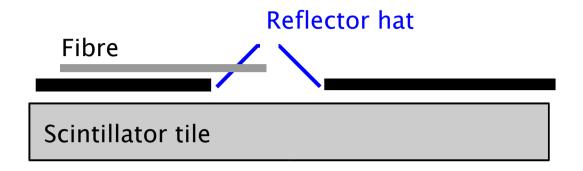


max/min improved

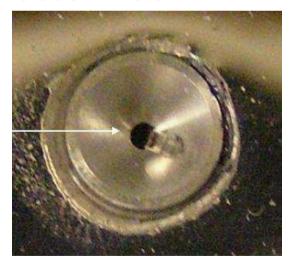
fibre

Study: Fibre/Tile Coupling

90 degrees reflection of fibre light to tile



reflector hat



view from below

mechanically robust coupling material: AlCuMgPb ageing tests under way