

Study of the SIPM

Response Function

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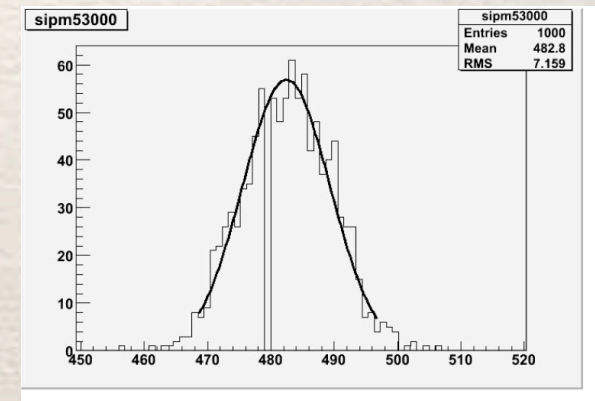
Introduction

- Monitoring the stability of SiPMs is an important task
- We have built an elaborate LED/PIN based monitoring system that measures the SiPM gain, monitors the SiPM response for a fixed light intensity and is capable to record the full SiPM response function
- If we manage to parameterize the SiPM response by an analytic function, we may achieve the same precision with a simplified monitoring scheme
- Presently, we have focused our studies on runs in October 2006 to determine the shape and the saturation point of individual SiPMs



Analysis Procedure

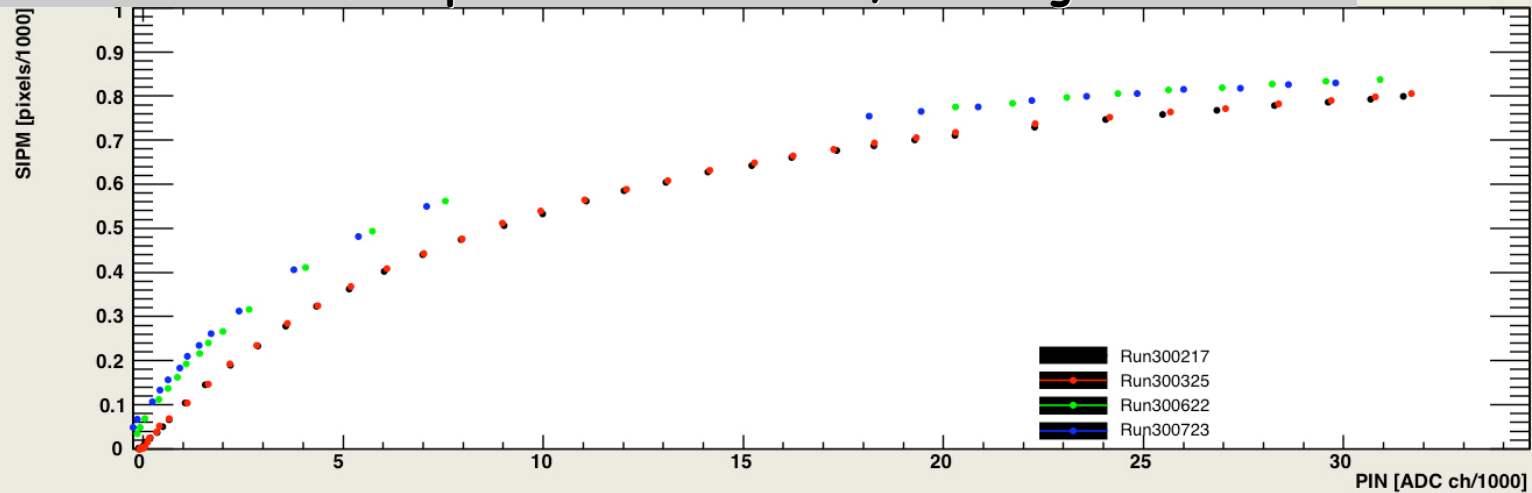
- Extract SiPM & PIN diode values from LCIO files
- Perform pedestal subtraction using beam events taken shortly before or after VCalib run
- Apply gain corrections and use intercalibration constants
- Perform Gaussian fit for each Vcalib to SiPM & PIN response
→ determine mean and error on the mean
- Plot PIN response vs SiPM response
- Rescale PIN values to force the initial slope to be one and to start at a common origin
- Focus on October for all modules 3-15, though August runs have been studied as well



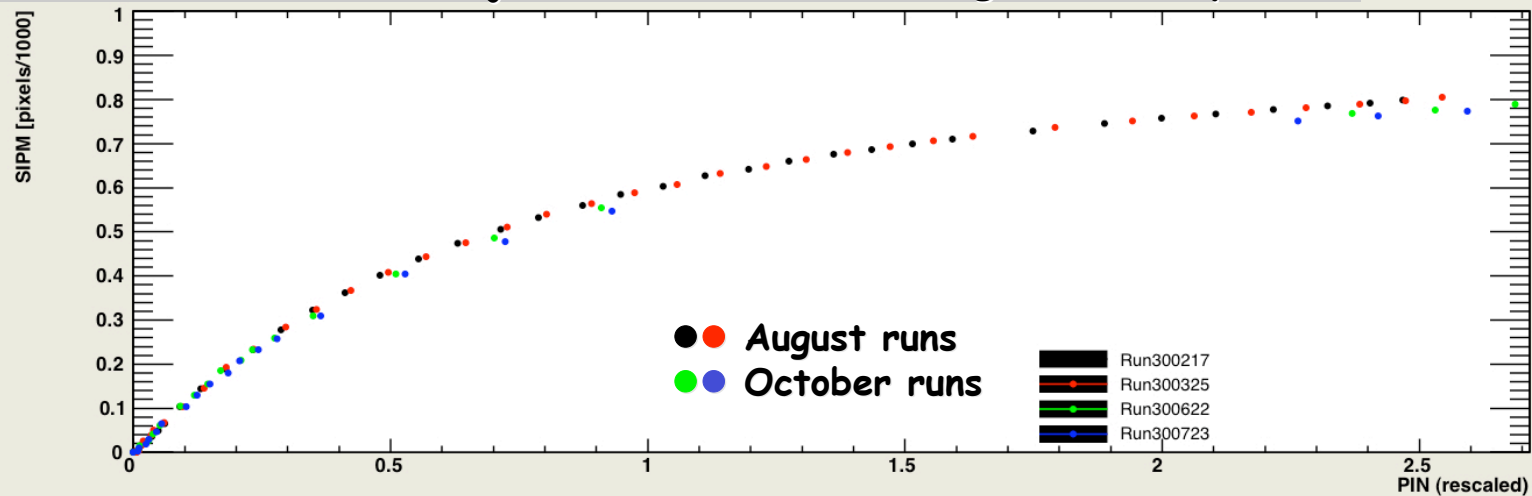
Saturation Curves for Module 13, 5-6

● Compare 4 runs from August & October

Saturation curve after pedestal subtraction, PIN & gain correction



Saturation curve after adjustment to common origin with slope one



Parameterize SiPM Response Functions

- The SiPM response curves all have similar shapes
- We need to find an analytical function with sufficient flexibility to fit all SiPM response curves
- We have focused on the function

$$f(x) = \frac{(C-1)^2}{a - (b+d)(C-1)} \frac{\text{Exp}[-b * x] + \text{Exp}[-d * x]}{C - \text{Exp}[a * x]} - 2 \frac{(C-1)}{a - (b+d)(C-1)}$$

saturation

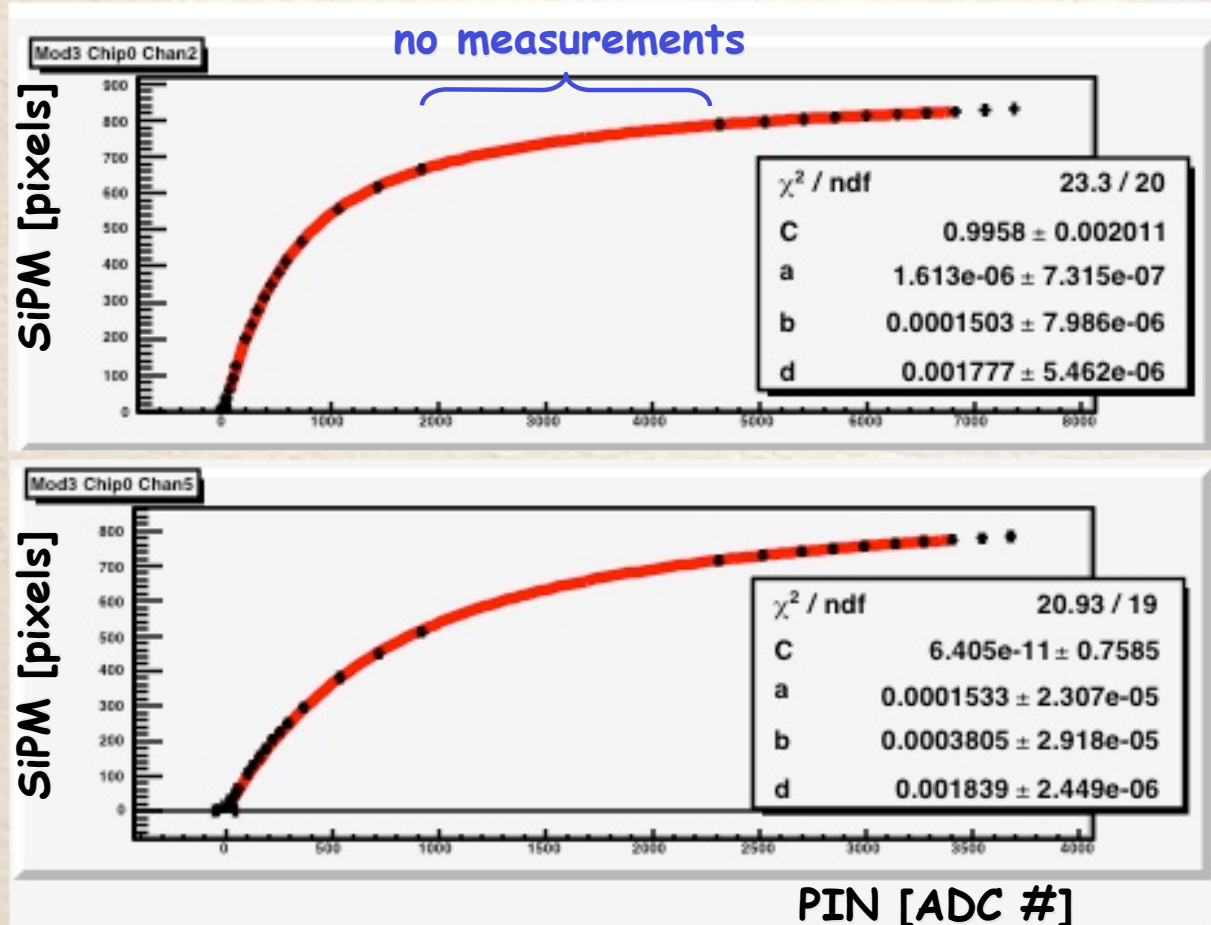
where C , a , b & d are free parameters determined from the fit

- For $C=0$ get a 2 exponential fit, for $C=1$ Fermi function like
- We have also tried a function without the $\text{Exp}[-d*x]$ term, but here the χ^2 becomes too large for most fits \rightarrow we need a term for low intensity and one for high intensity (used Mathematica to try out various functions)



Fitted SiPM Response Functions

- Two examples of fits for October runs



C close to 1

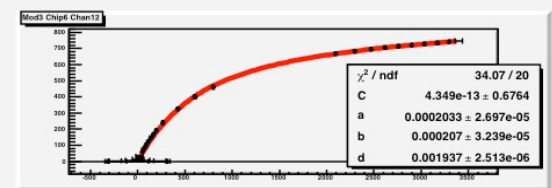
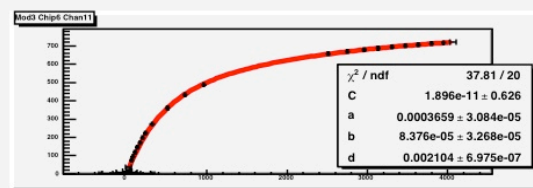
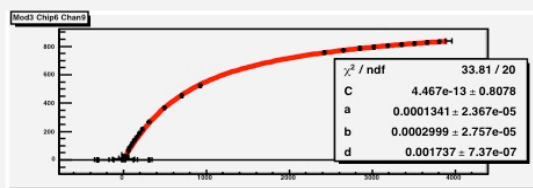
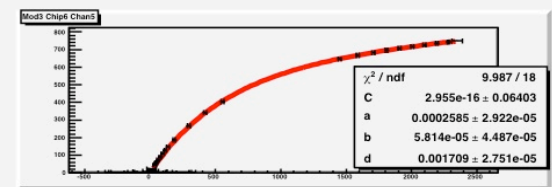
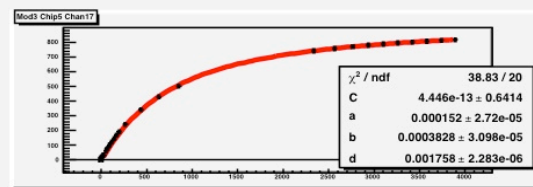
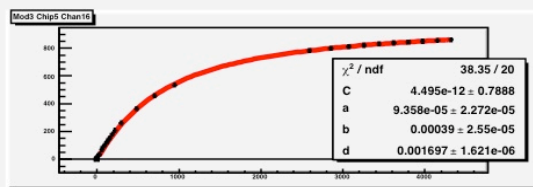
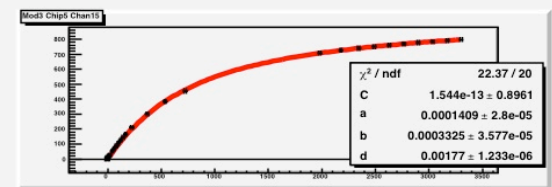
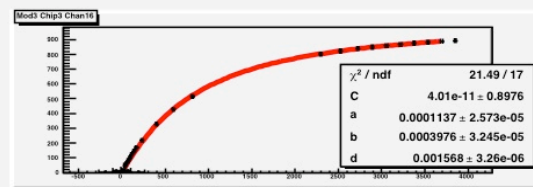
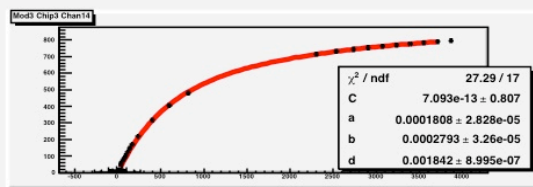
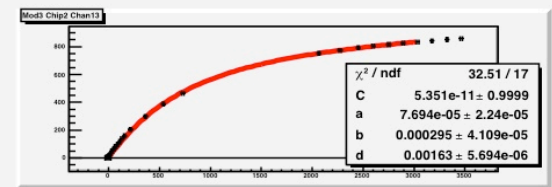
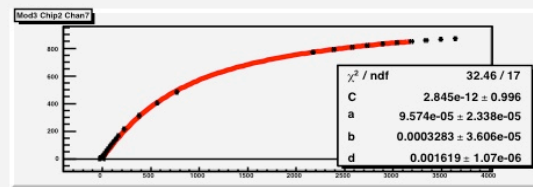
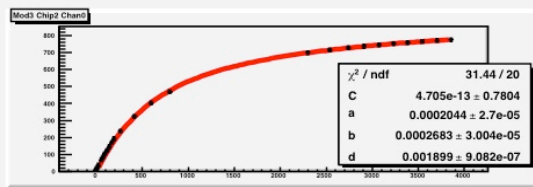
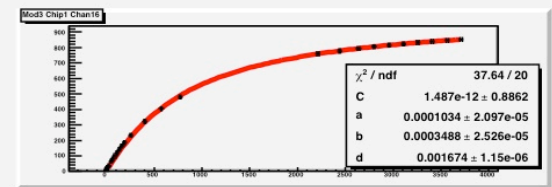
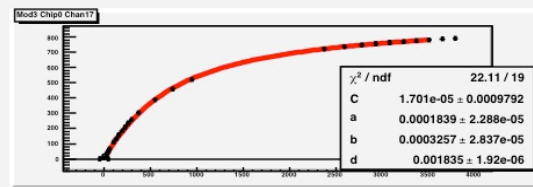
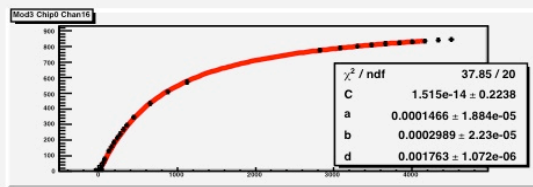
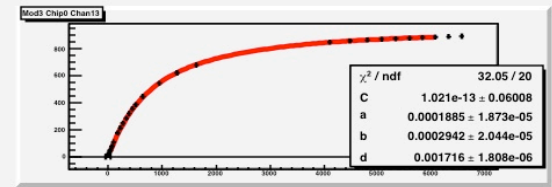
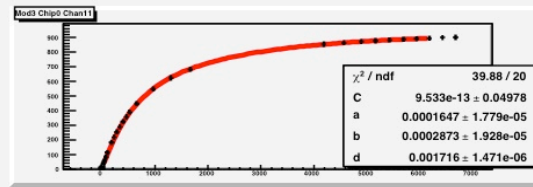
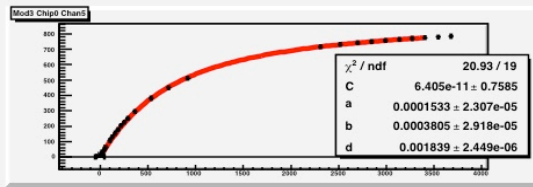
C close to 0

Need different functional forms to describe low & high intensity

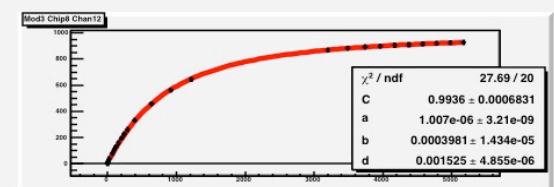
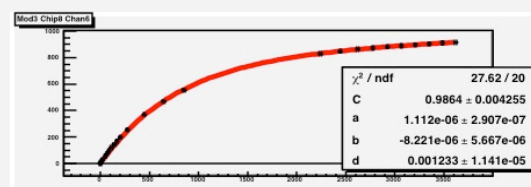
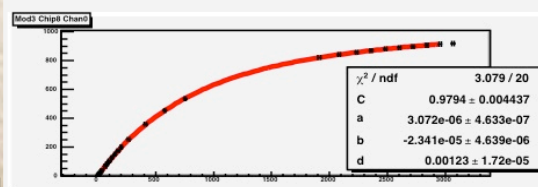
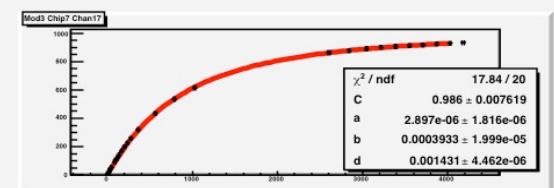
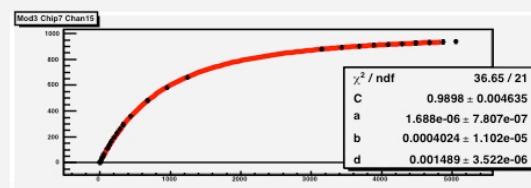
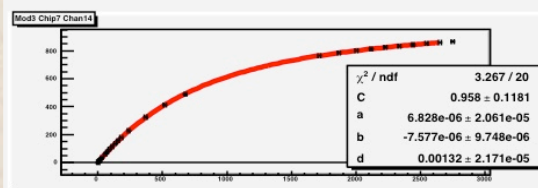
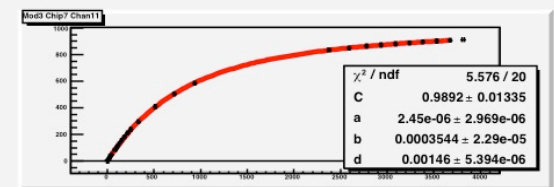
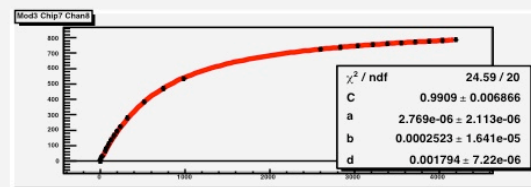
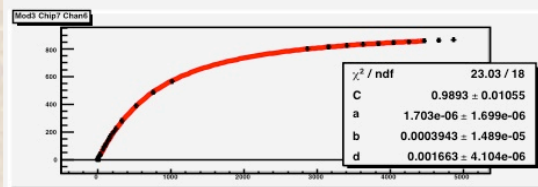
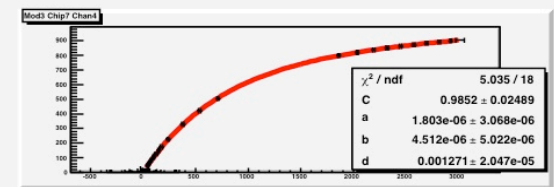
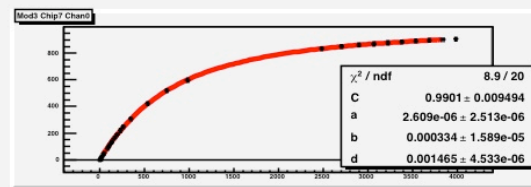
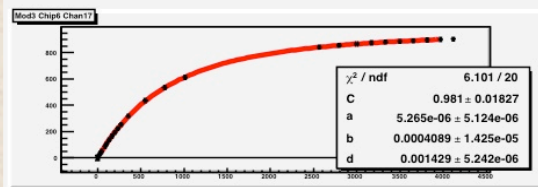
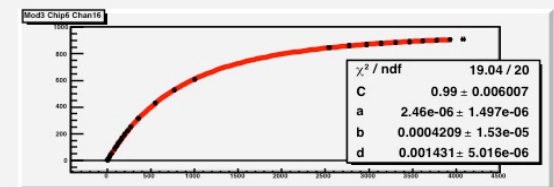
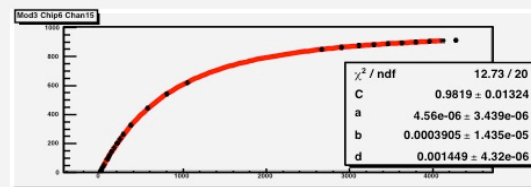
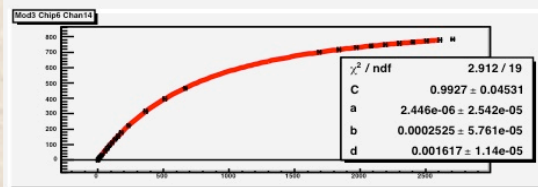
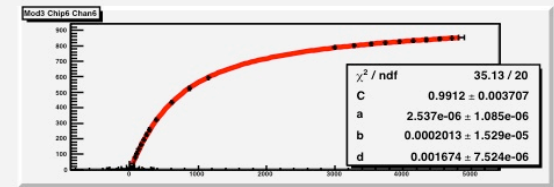
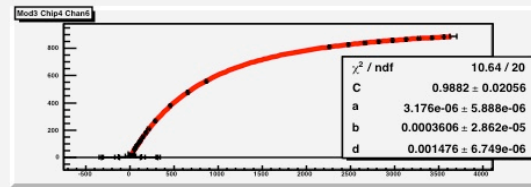
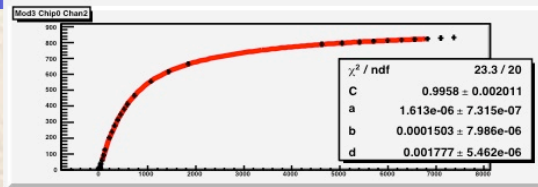
Most response curves are only at ~85% of saturation

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Fits of SiPM Response Functions with $C \approx 0$

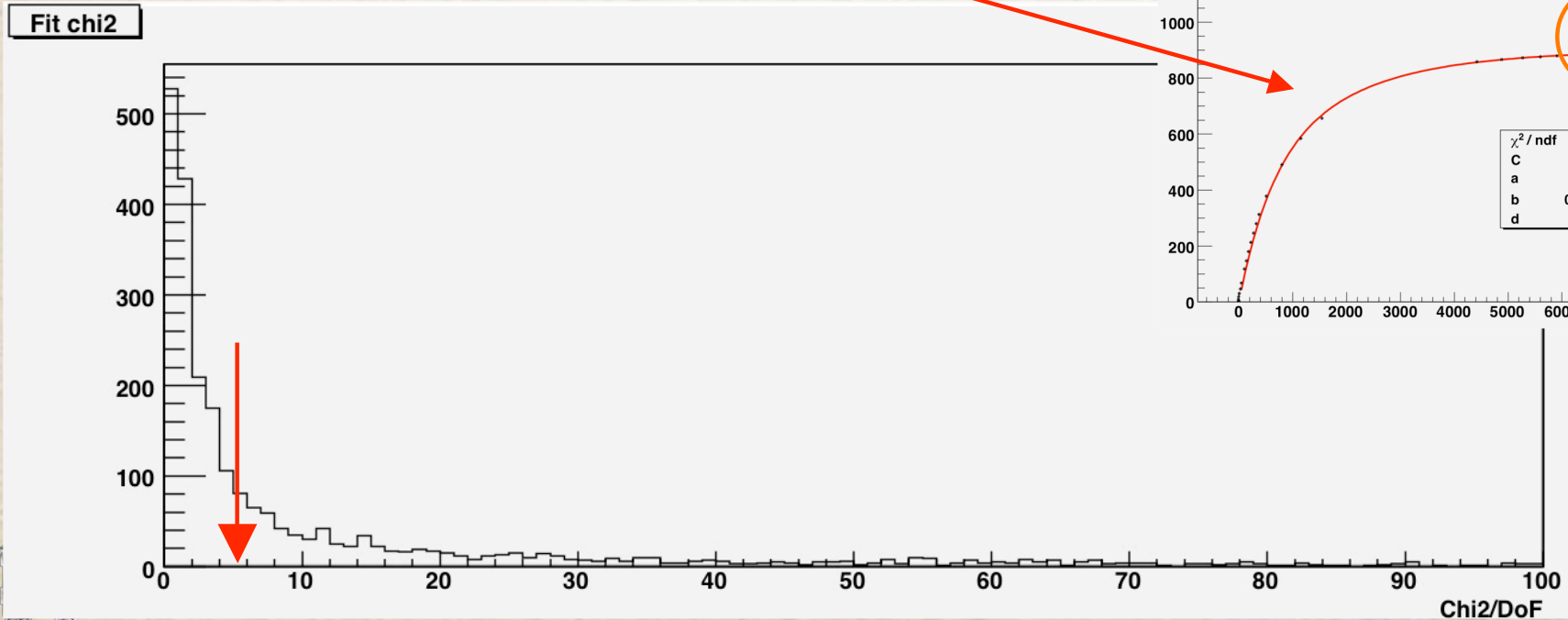
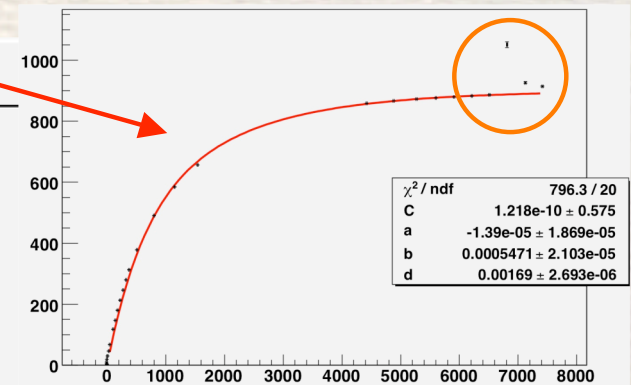
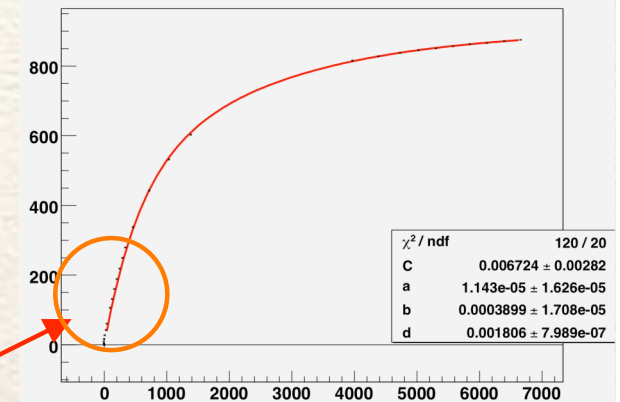


Fits of SiPM Response Functions with $C \approx 1$



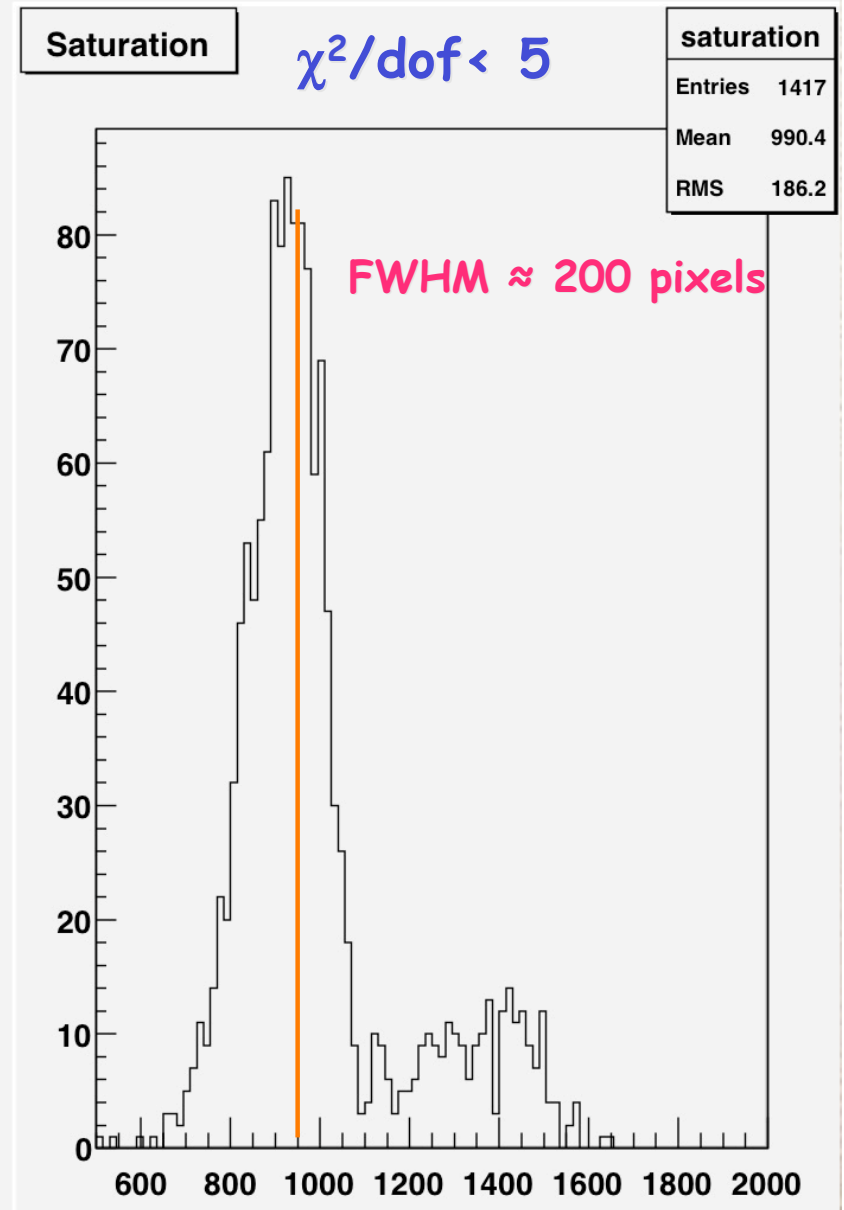
χ^2/dof of Fits

- About ~52% of the fits have $\chi^2/\text{dof} < 5$
- About ~16% of the fits have $\chi^2/\text{dof} > 100$
- Fits with $\chi^2/\text{dof} > 5$ result from 3 classes
 - Dead channels (~3%)
 - Data points look fine but cannot be fit
 - A few data points are off



Results on Saturation

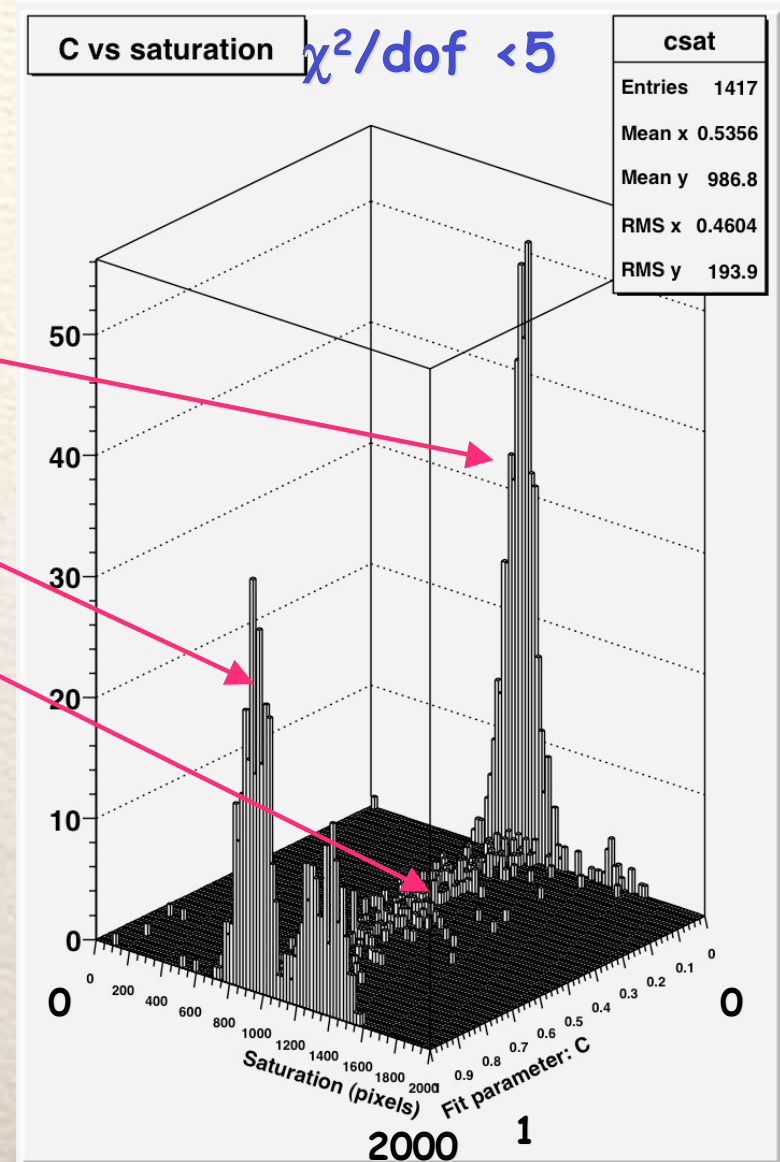
- Distribution peaks around 930 pixels
- Width is $\text{FWHM} \approx 200$ pixels
- Note that the highest measured point often is 85-90% of saturation value
- Below 1100 pixels distribution is slightly asymmetric towards small values
- About 15% of the fits yield a saturation > 1100 pixels
→ need to explore reason



Correlation between Saturation & C

- Fits basically fall into 4 categories
 - dead channels (cut out)
 - C near zero
 - 2 Exponential fit
 - C near one
 - Fermi function fit
 - C values between

- High saturation values of > 1100 pixels basically come from fits with $C \sim 1$

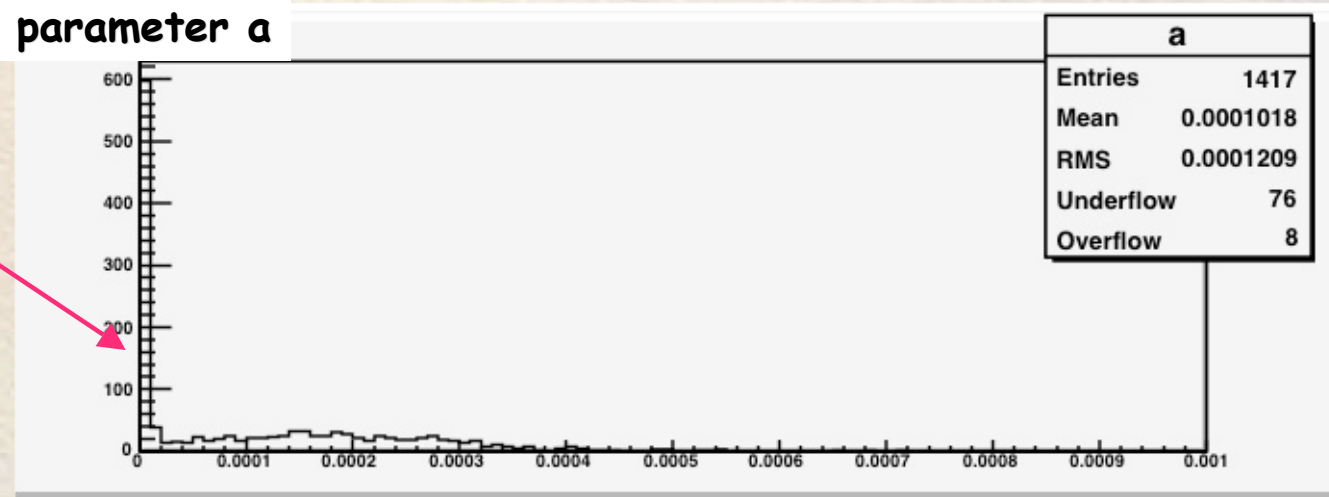
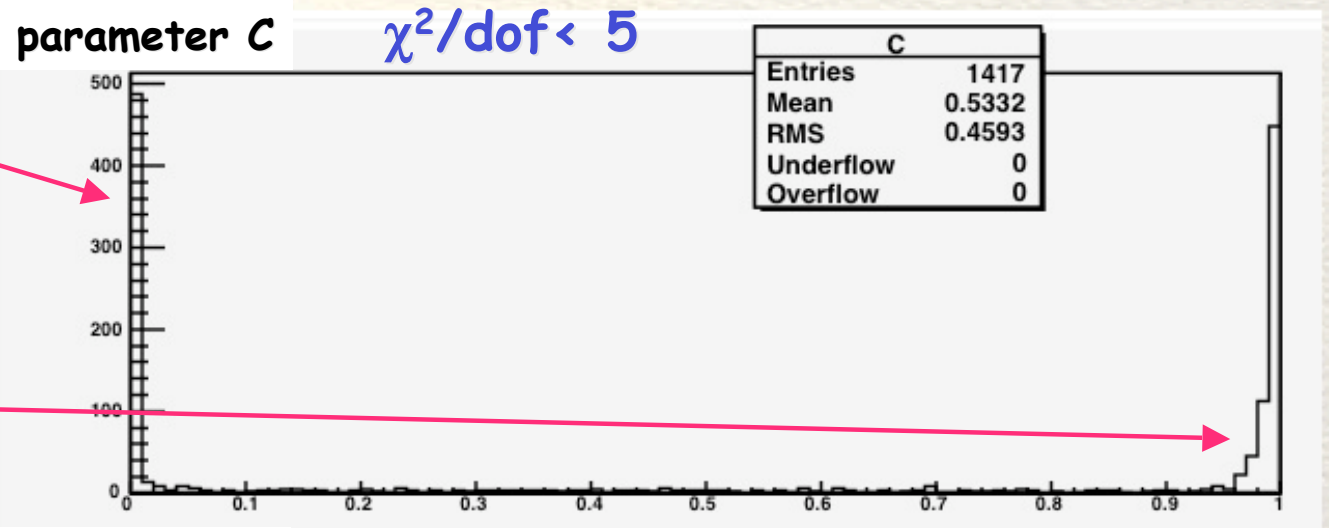


Fit Results for parameters C & a

~35% of the fits yield $C \approx 0$

~50% of the fits pile up near $C=1$

For 42% of the fits the parameter a is very small

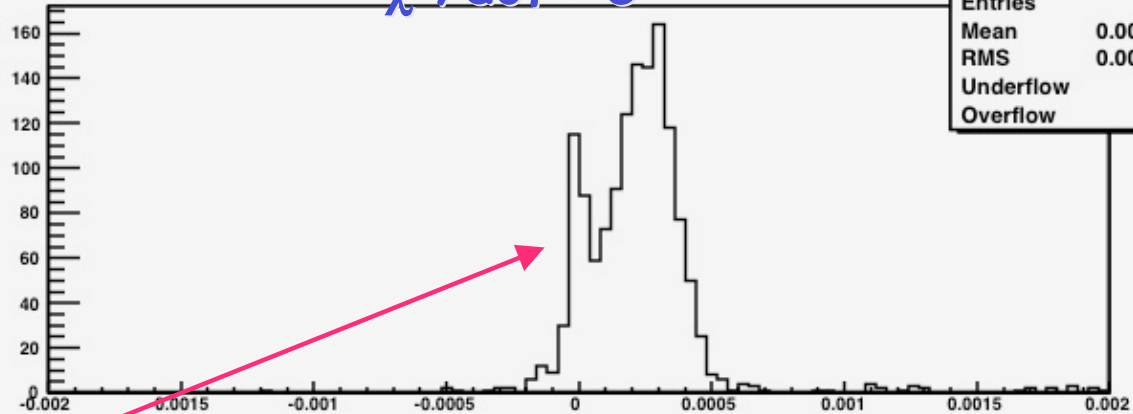


Fit Results for Parameters b & d

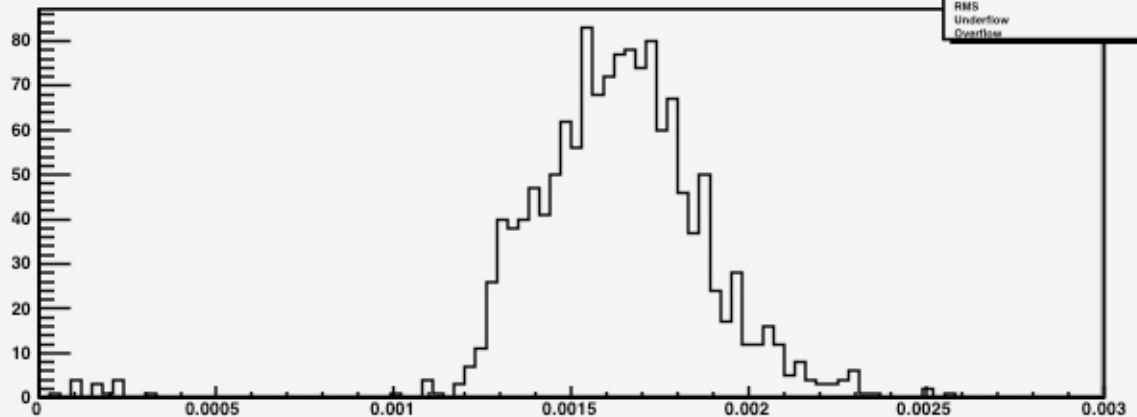
- Distribution for parameter d is rather narrow
→ for most fits $0 < b < 0.0005$ with peak at ~ 0.0003
- 15% of fits are in spike near 0
- Distribution for parameter d is less narrow
→ peak is at ~ 0.0017
→ width (FWHM) is ~ 0.0005

parameter b

$\chi^2/\text{dof} < 5$

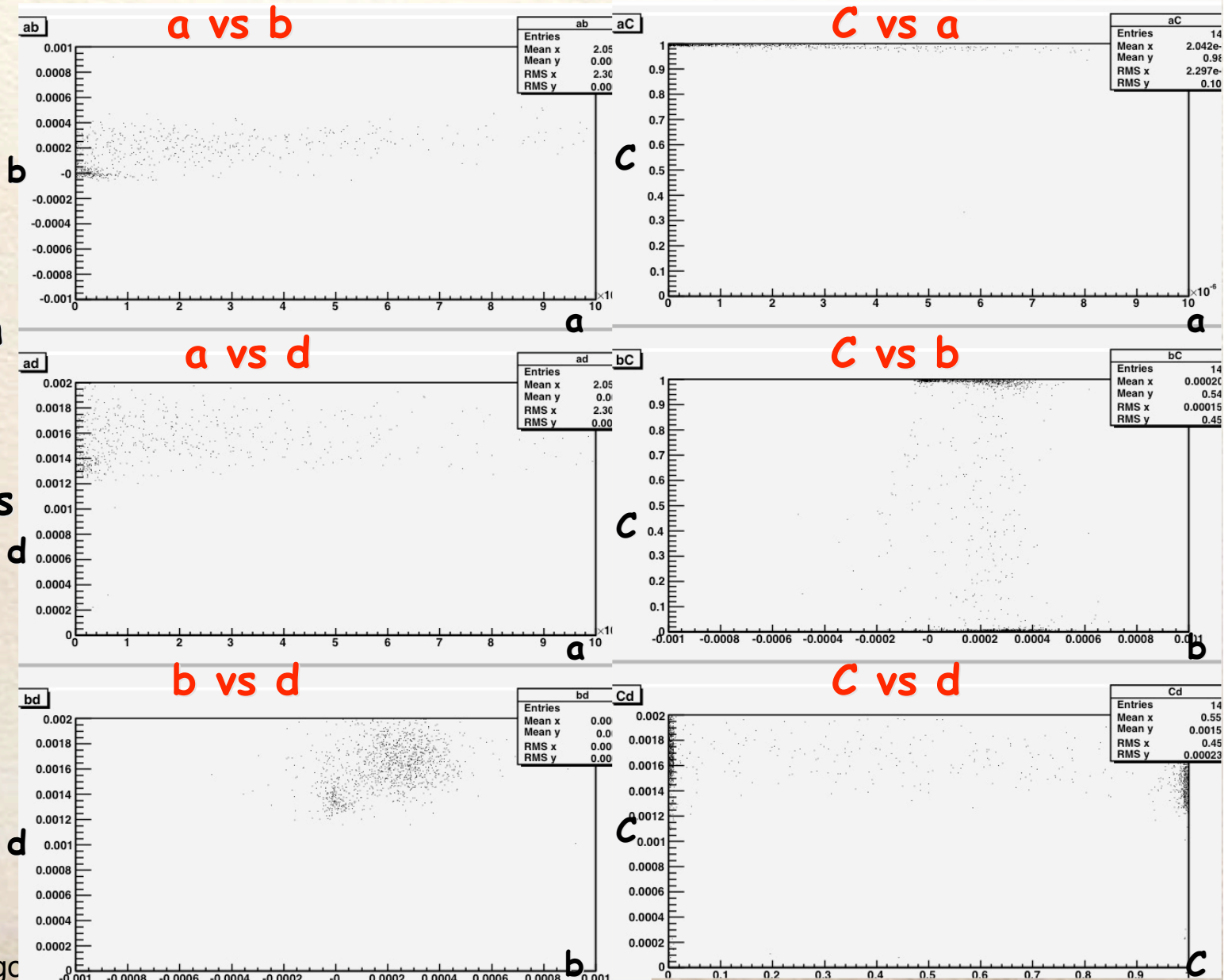


parameter d



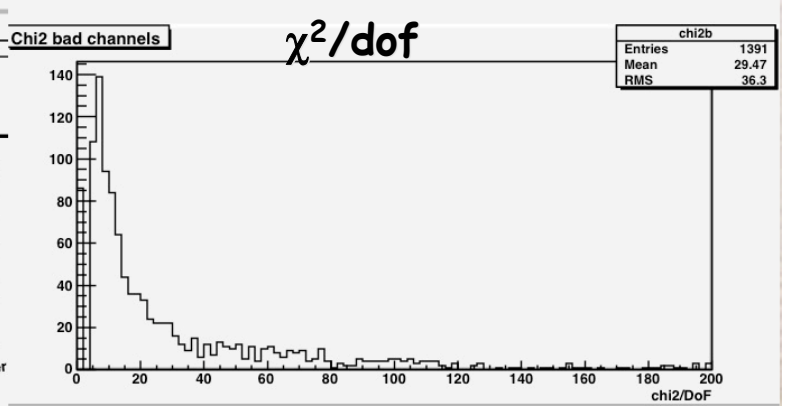
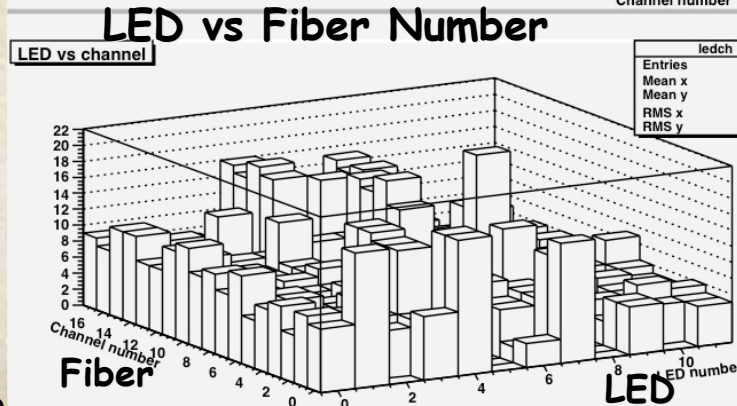
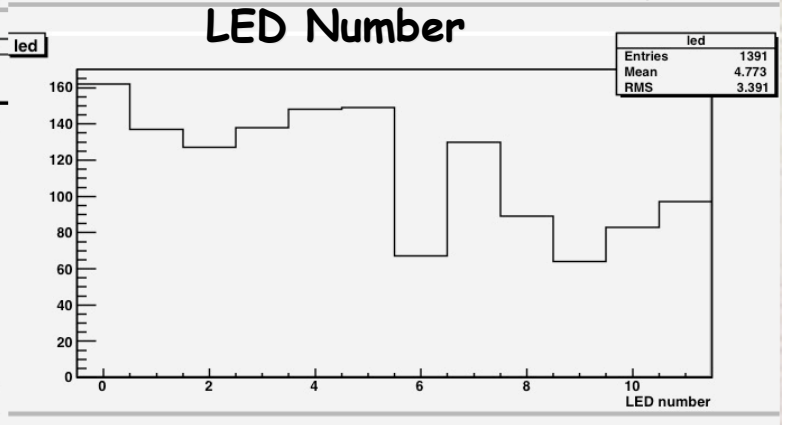
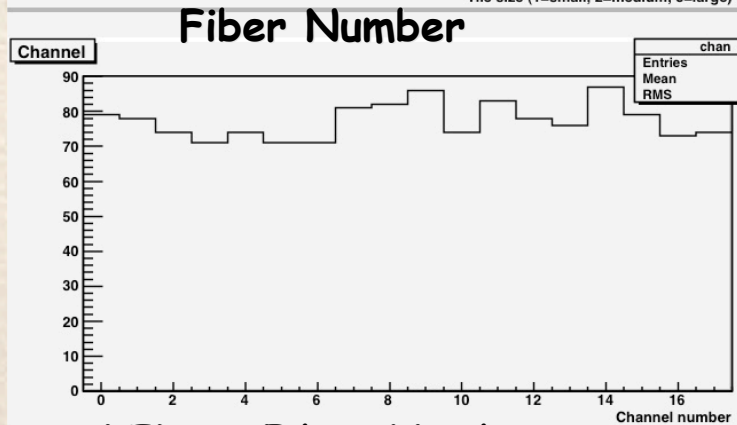
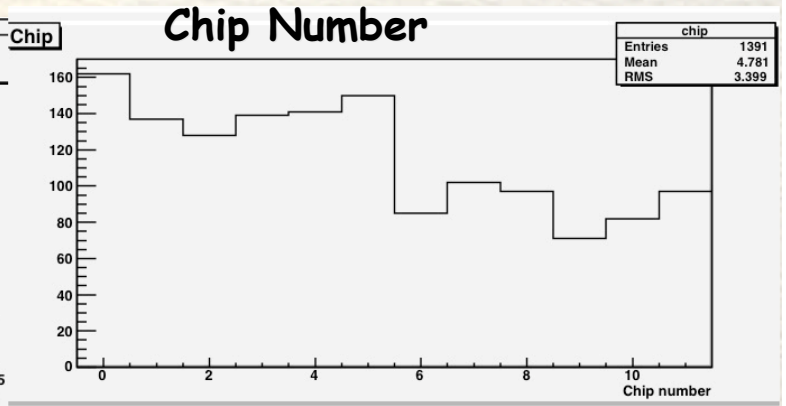
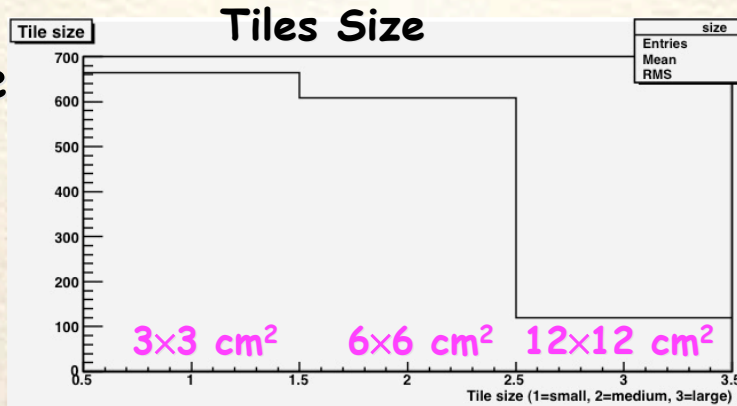
Correlations between Fit Parameters

See no obvious correlation between fit parameters



First Look at Bad Fits

- Bad fits are independent of tile size
- 60% of bad fits come from LEDs 0-5
- Fibers 7-9, 11, 14-15 yield more bad fits than other fibers





Conclusion and Outlook

- We have found a 4-parameter fit function that describes the SiPM response rather well → ~60% good fits (when we exclude bad channels)
 - Saturation value is around 930 pixels
 - Distribution has FWHM of ~200 pixels
- We need to understand the results of the fit parameters, spike around zero in parameter b
- We need to investigate the bad fits and try to recover them
- We need to investigate fits with high saturation values → understand the origin of the problem and fix it
- We plan to correlate our saturation values with measurements at ITEP
- We will look at the 2007 test beam data and perform fits of all SiPMs (7608 channels)



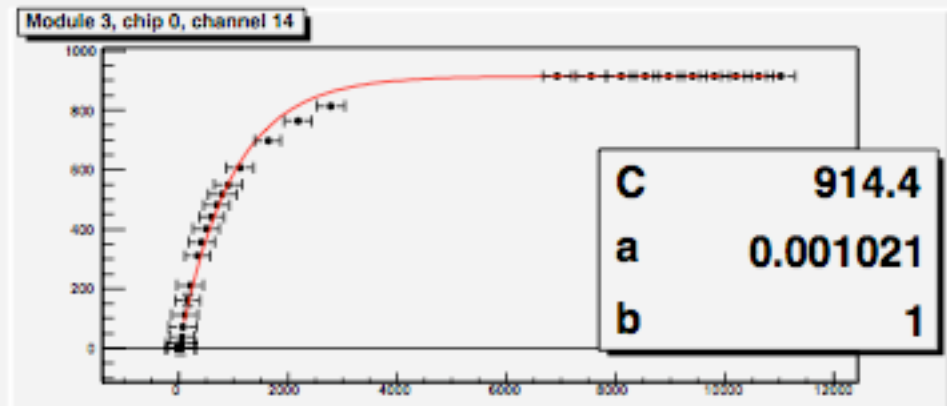
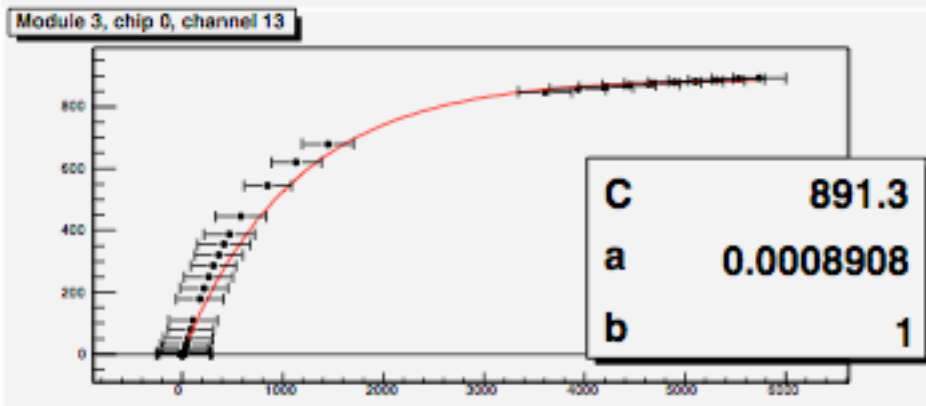
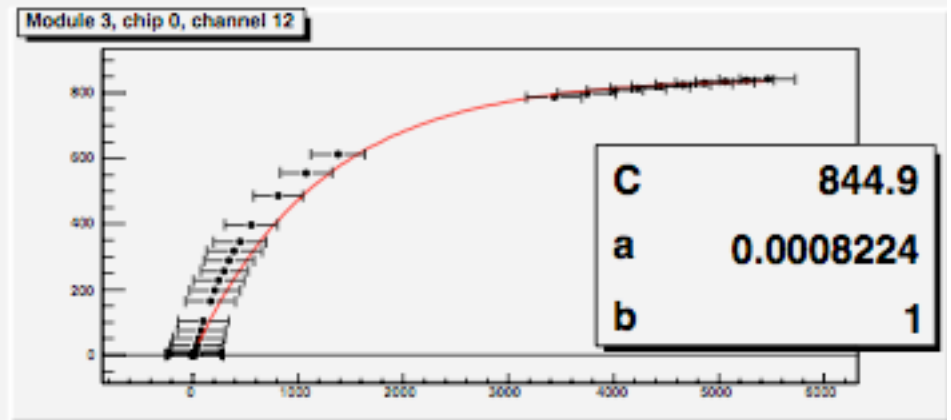
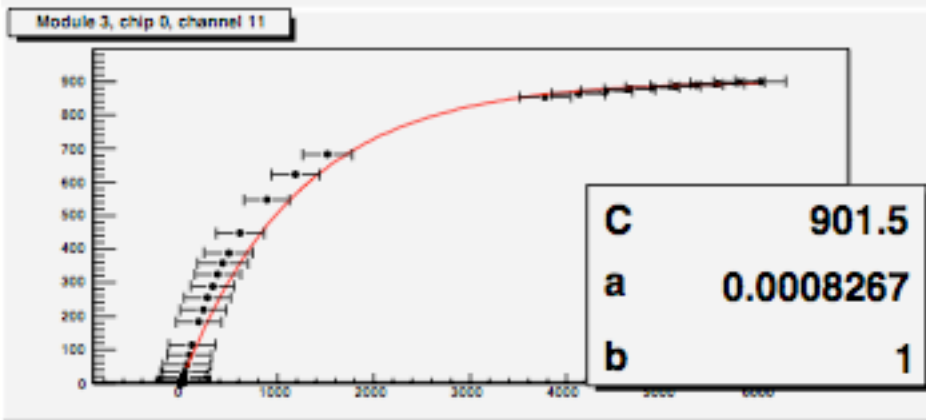
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Backup Slides



Fits of SiPM Response Functions

● The SiPM response curves are consistent with $f(x) = C(1 - \exp(-ax))$



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Fit for August runs

