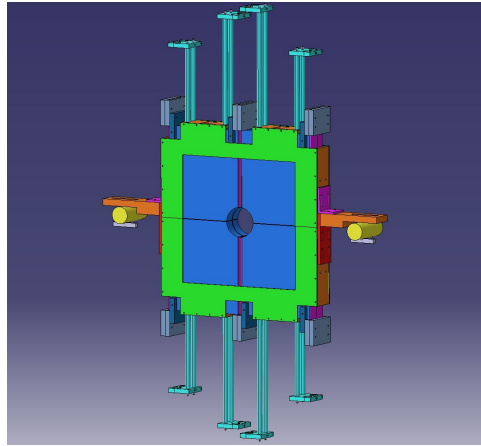


Forward Diffractive Detector

The upgrade of a forward physics detector in ALICE



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Introduction

The ALICE experiment is making a significant **upgrade** of its detectors and systems during the second long shutdown (**LS2**) of the LHC.

During **Run-2** of the LHC the **ALICE Diffractive** (AD) detector was installed to **extend the pseudorapidity coverage** of ALICE for increase the capacities to trigger **diffractive** and **ultra-peripheral** events.

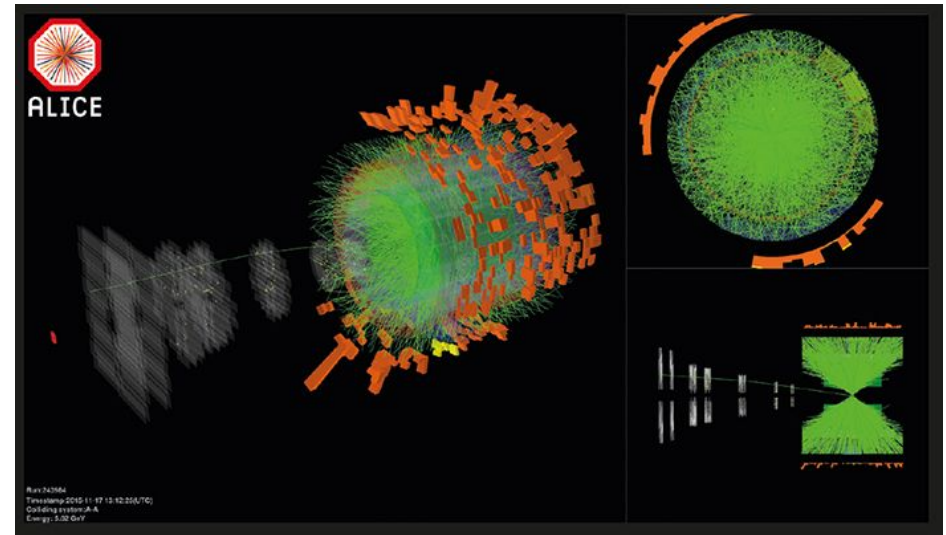
The **Forward Diffractive Detector** (FDD) is the **upgrade** of AD to fulfil the **new requirements** of the LHC conditions and fit in the new ALICE environment.

FDD keep the **same geometry** and **placement** of its predecessor but with **improvements in materials** used for its construction and will be part of **Fast Interaction Trigger** system.

ALICE

ALICE (A Large Ion Collider Experiment) is an experiment placed at point two of the LHC accelerator and was suited to study mainly the **Quark-Gluon Plasma** properties.

- ❑ The ALICE Collaboration has built a dedicated **heavy-ion** detector to exploit the unique physics potential of **nucleus-nucleus** interactions at LHC energies.
- ❑ The aim is to study the physics of **strongly interacting matter at extreme energy densities**, where the **formation of a new phase of matter, the quark-gluon plasma**, is expected.



ALICE - LS2

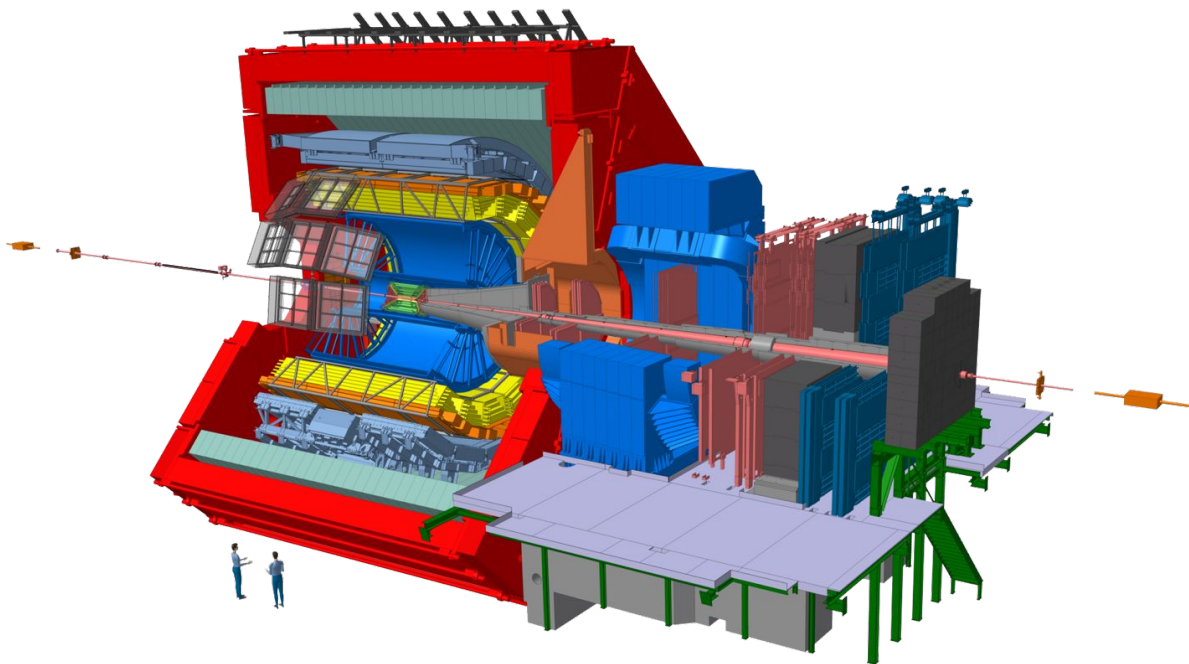
After the second **Long Shutdown (LS2)**, the LHC will progressively **increase its luminosity** with:

Pb beams

- ❑ Collisions rate = 50 kHz
- ❑ Average Luminosity = $6 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Protons beams

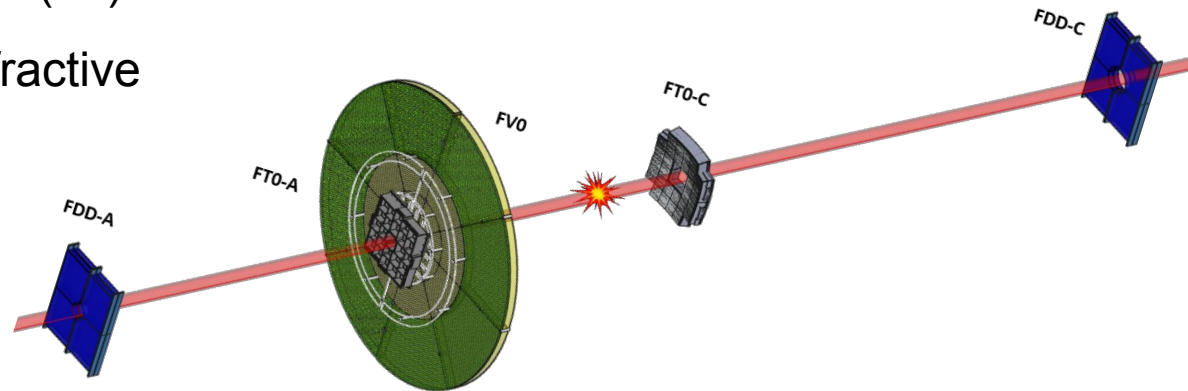
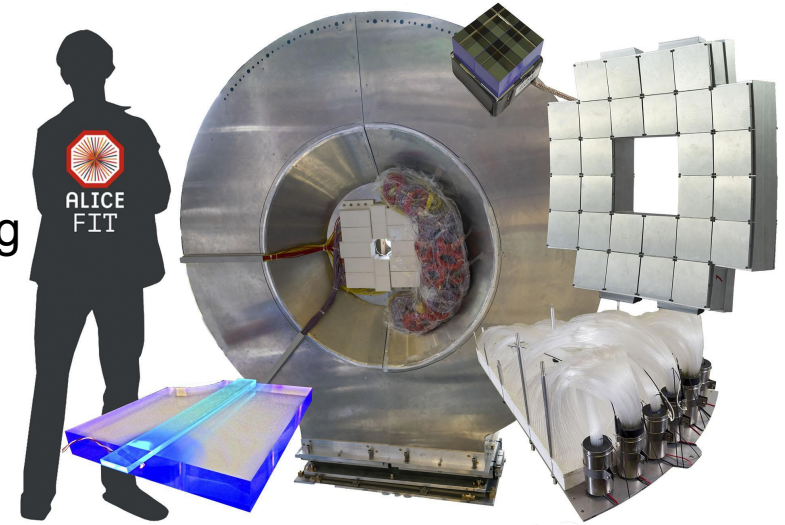
- ❑ Collisions rate = 1 MHz
- ❑ Average Luminosity = $10^{-34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



Fast Interaction Trigger

The FIT system will be the MB trigger of the ALICE during the Run-3.

- **Multiplicity:** V0+ (LM)
- **Luminosity:** T0+, V0+ and **FDD** (L0)
- **Collision time and vertex:** T0+ (LM)
- **LHC background (BG):** V0+ and **FDD** (L0)
- **VETO** (UPC, electromagnetic and diffractive interactions): T0+, V0+ and **FDD** (L0)



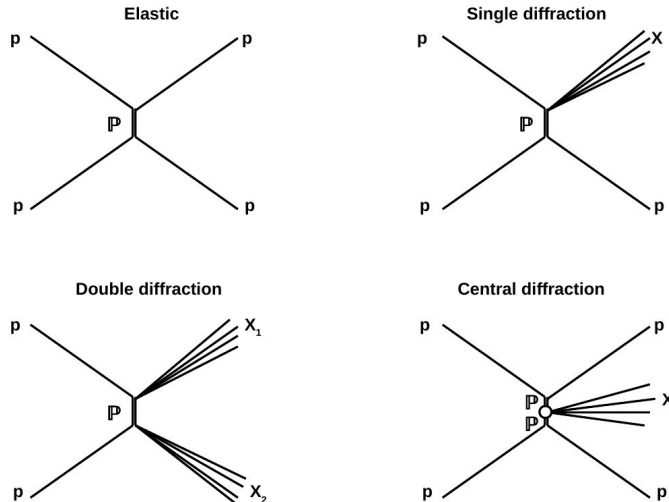
Diffractive physics

Diffractive Processes are driven by the strong force.

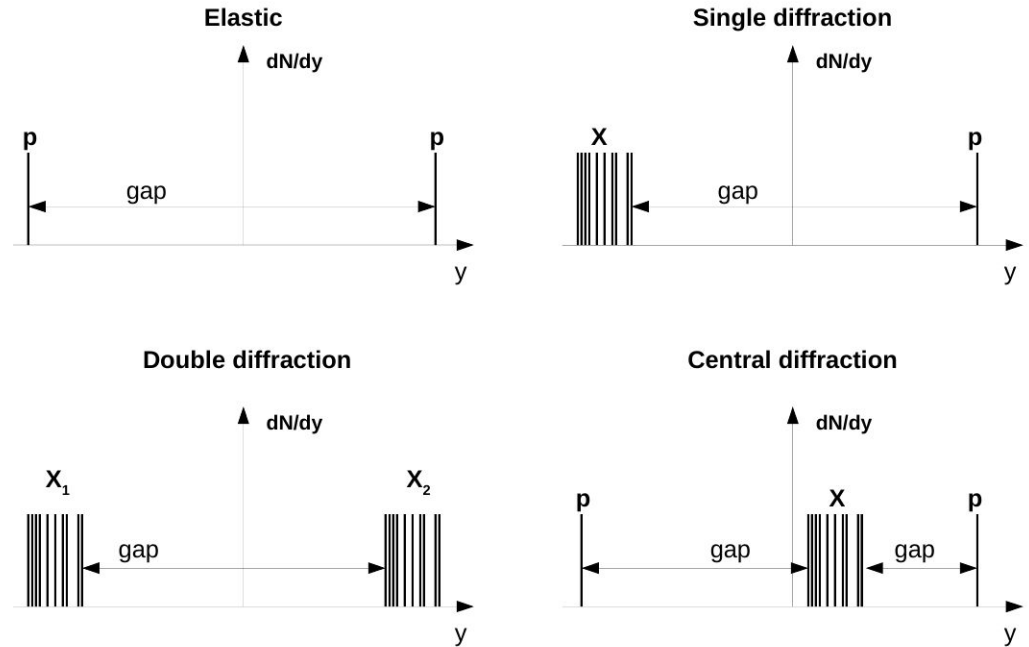
A feature of the diffraction processes is that though hard processes may be involved:

- One or both incoming particles either remain intact
- Dissociate into products emitted at very small angle

The **exchanged virtual particle (the Pomeron) carries no color.**



The characteristic signature of a diffraction event in a detector is the rapidity gap between the two diffractive systems.



Around of 30% of p-p interactions are diffractive processes.

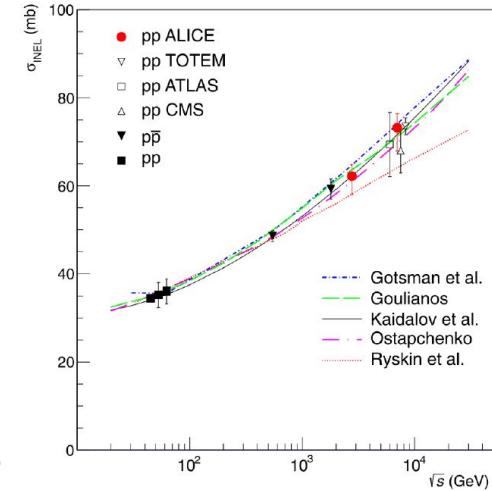
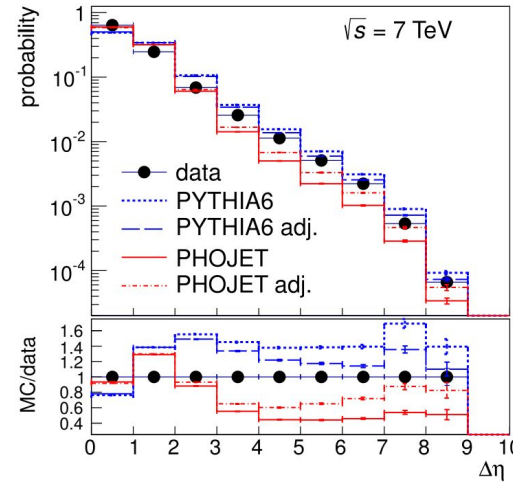
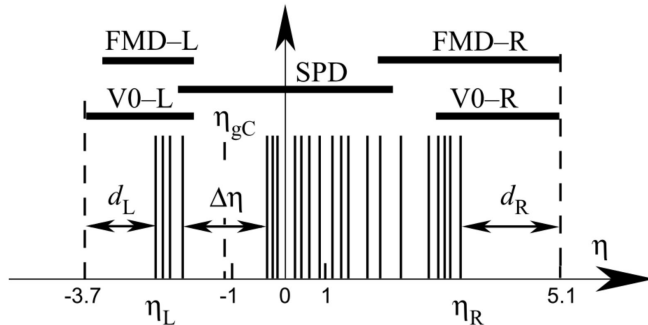
Diffraction in ALICE – Run 1

- Measurements of cross sections of **inelastic, single- and double-diffraction cross section**.
- Proton-Proton** at three centre-of-mass energies:
 - $\sqrt{s} = 0.9, 2.76, \text{ and } 7 \text{ TeV}$

Using **V0** detector, **SPD** and the **FMD** for **trigger** information for the selection of **minimum-bias** events.

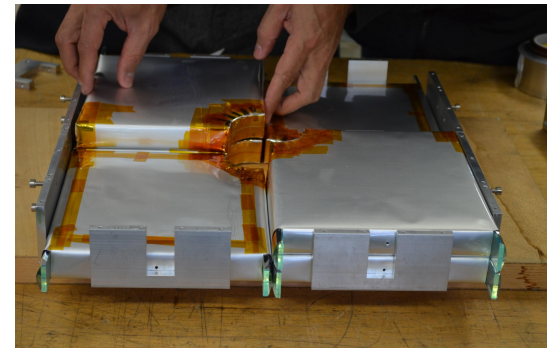
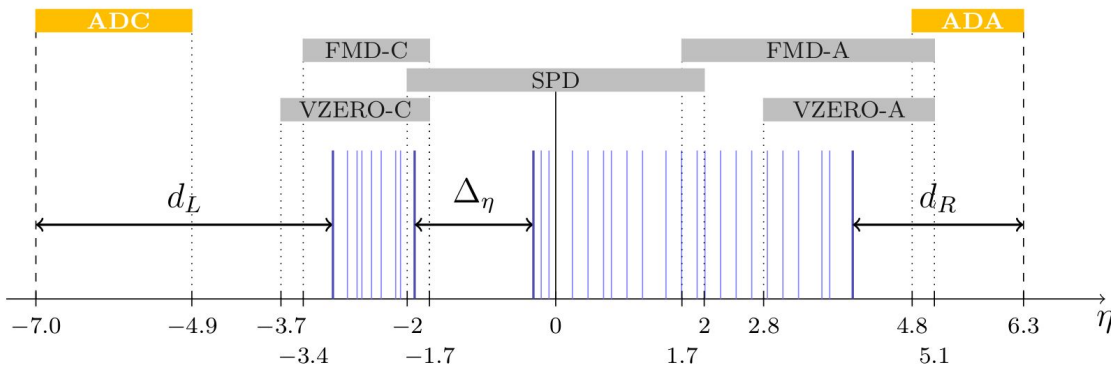
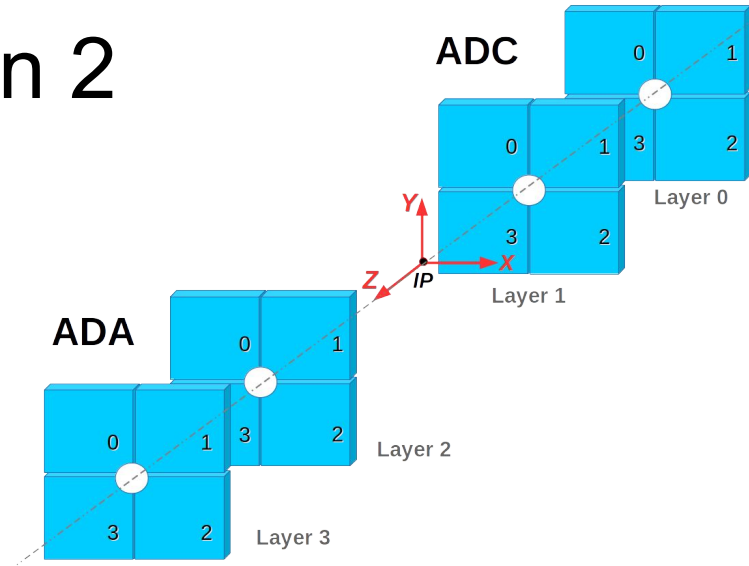
The **TPC** and the whole **ITS** were used in this study only to provide the **interaction vertex position**, from reconstructed tracks.

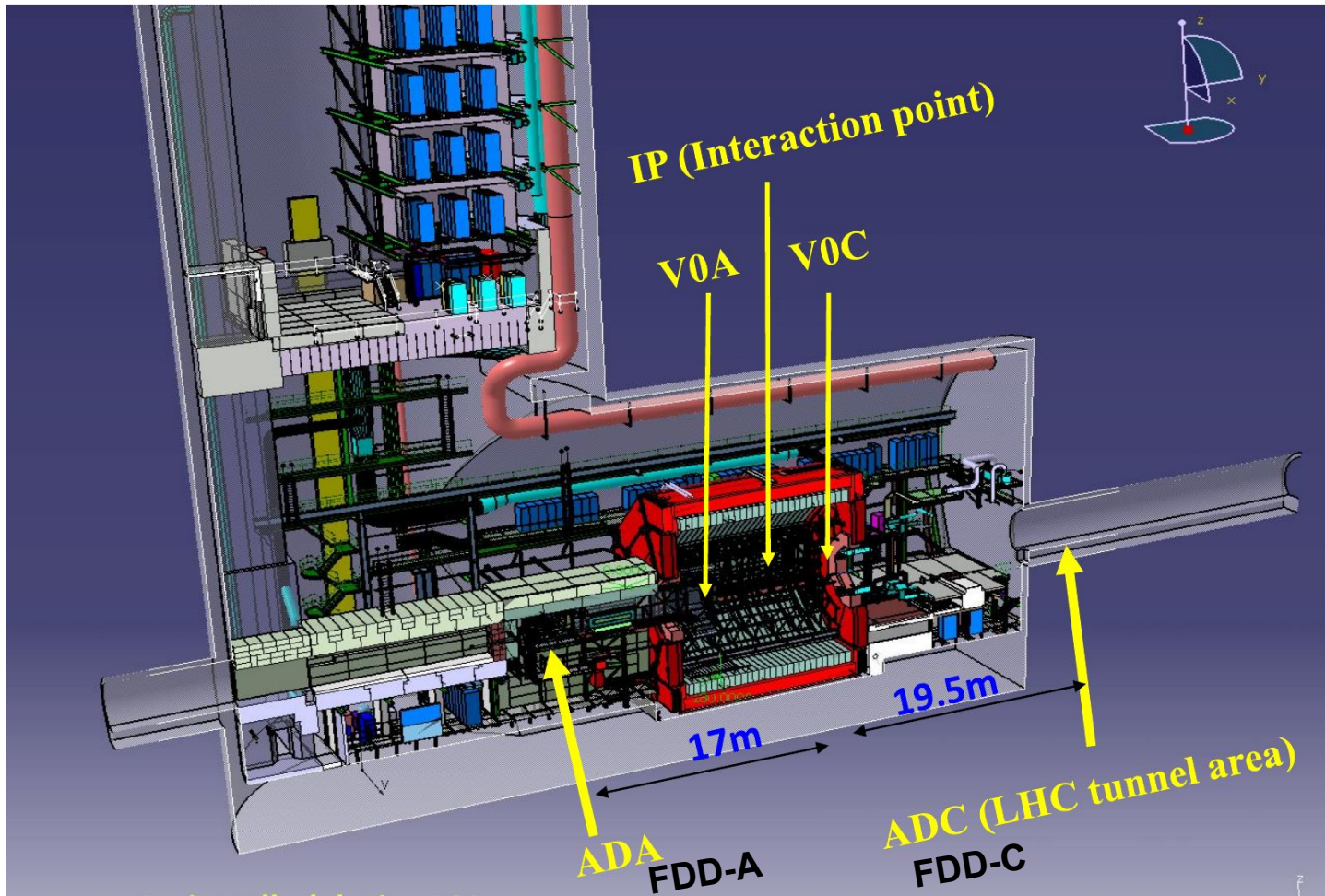
Covering a continuous acceptance over a pseudorapidity interval of 8.8 units.



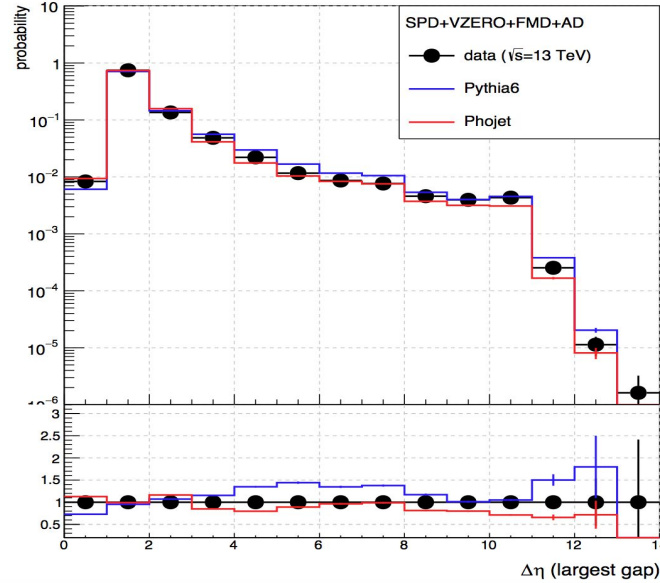
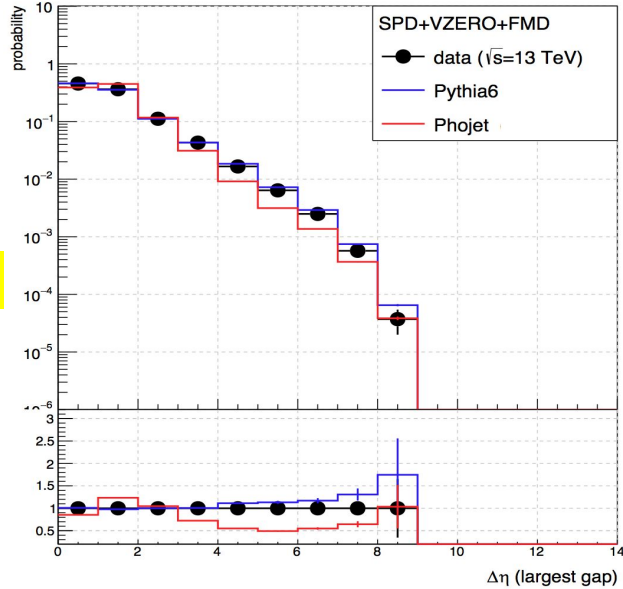
The ALICE Diffractive (AD) – Run 2

- Designed to **increase the forward coverage** to tag diffractive events produced in non frontal collision.
- It was designed, constructed and installed during **2014**.





AD preliminaries



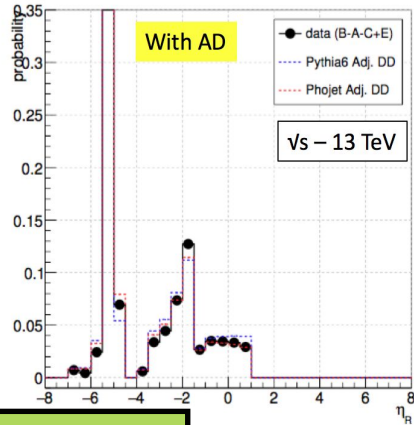
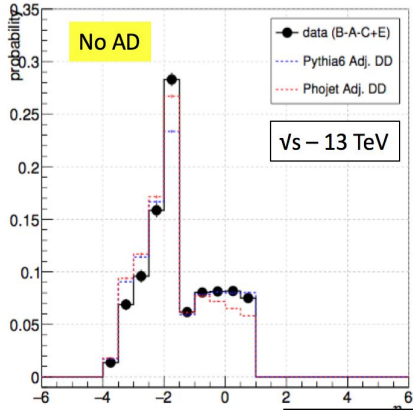
Same analysis as in
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ALICE internal-only data: work in progress!

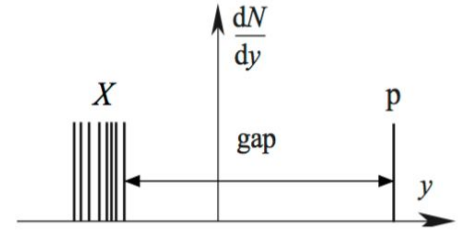
Distribution of the largest pseudorapidity gap in 2-arm events (DD), as defined in [Eur. Phys. J. C 73 (2013) 2456], showing on the **left the distribution without AD** and on the **right the distribution with AD**.

AD preliminaries

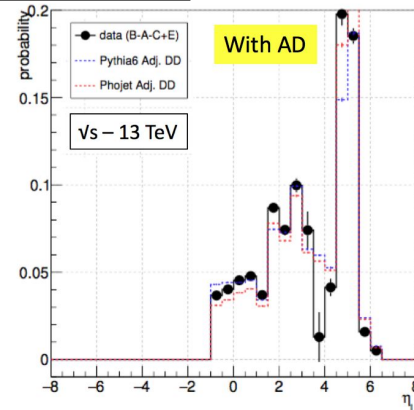
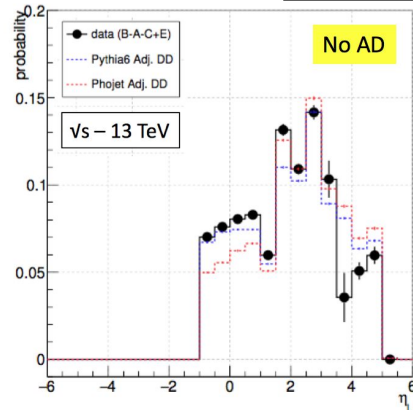
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SD on C side



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SD on A side

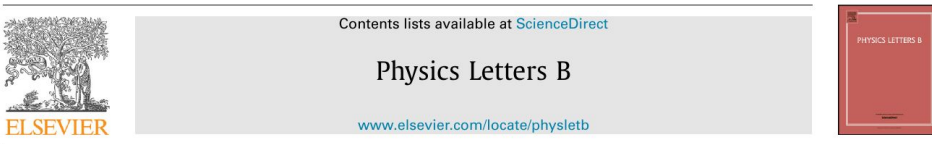
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AD paper contribution

AD as been used as veto detector
for an ultra-peripheral paper.

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Coherent J/ψ photoproduction at forward rapidity in ultra-peripheral
Pb–Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV



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ABSTRACT

The ALICE collaboration performed the first rapidity-differential measurement of coherent J/ψ photoproduction in ultra-peripheral Pb–Pb collisions at a center-of-mass energy $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV. The J/ψ is detected via its dimuon decay in the forward rapidity region ($-4.0 < y < -2.5$) for events where the hadronic activity is required to be minimal. The analysis is based on an event sample corresponding to an integrated luminosity of about $750 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$. The cross section for coherent J/ψ production is presented in six rapidity bins. The results are compared with theoretical models for coherent J/ψ photoproduction. These comparisons indicate that gluon shadowing effects play a role in the photoproduction process. The ratio of ψ' to J/ψ coherent photoproduction cross sections was measured and found to be consistent with that measured for photoproduction off protons.

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Work in progress

- "Coherent ρ_0 photoproduction in ultra-peripheral Pb–Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV" (see *David Horak presentation*)
- "Single Diffraction, Double Diffraction and Inelastic Cross Sections in pp collisions at 13 TeV" (*Ernesto Calvo V.*)
- "Coherent photoproduction of J/ψ and $\psi(2s)$ in ultra-peripheral Pb–Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV" (see *Roman Lavicka presentation*)

Forward Diffractive Detector

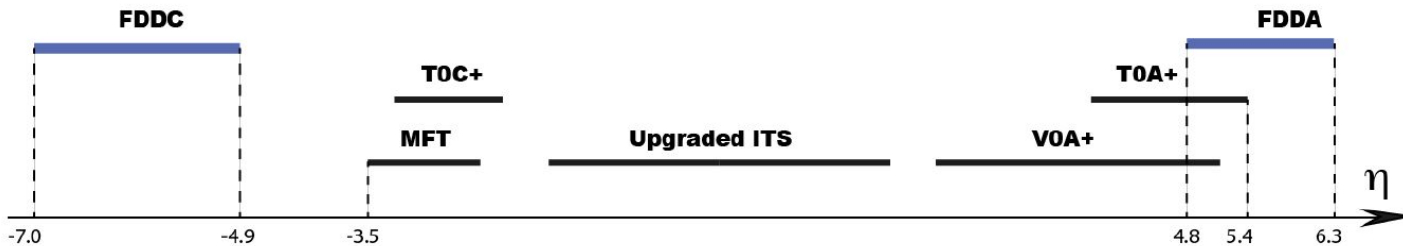
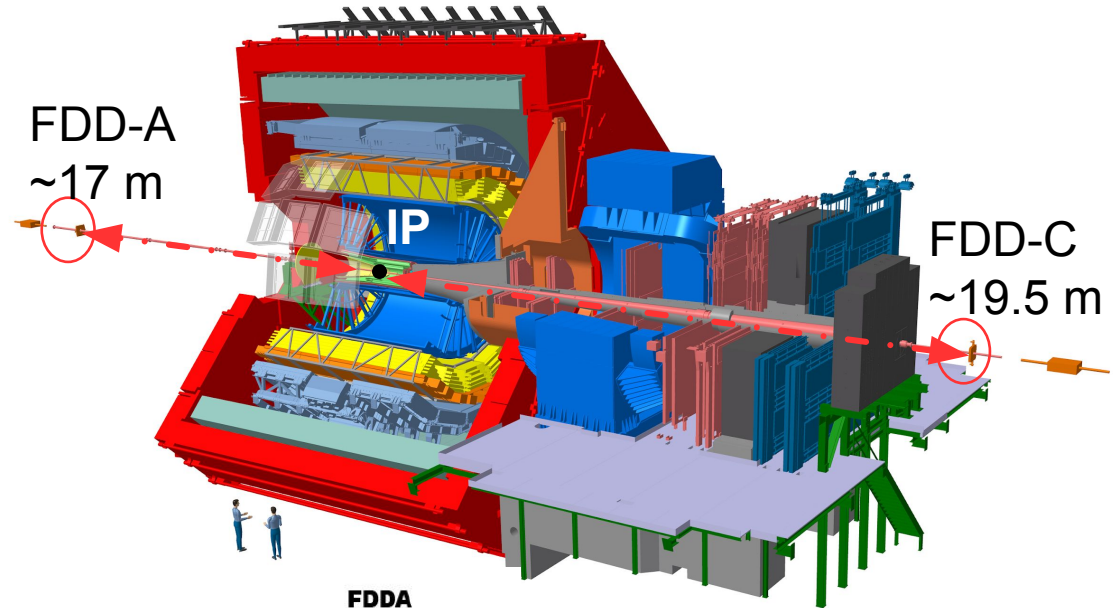
Pseudorapidity coverage: $4.7 < \eta < 6.3$ and $-6.9 < \eta < -4.9$

Upgrade of AD -> FDD

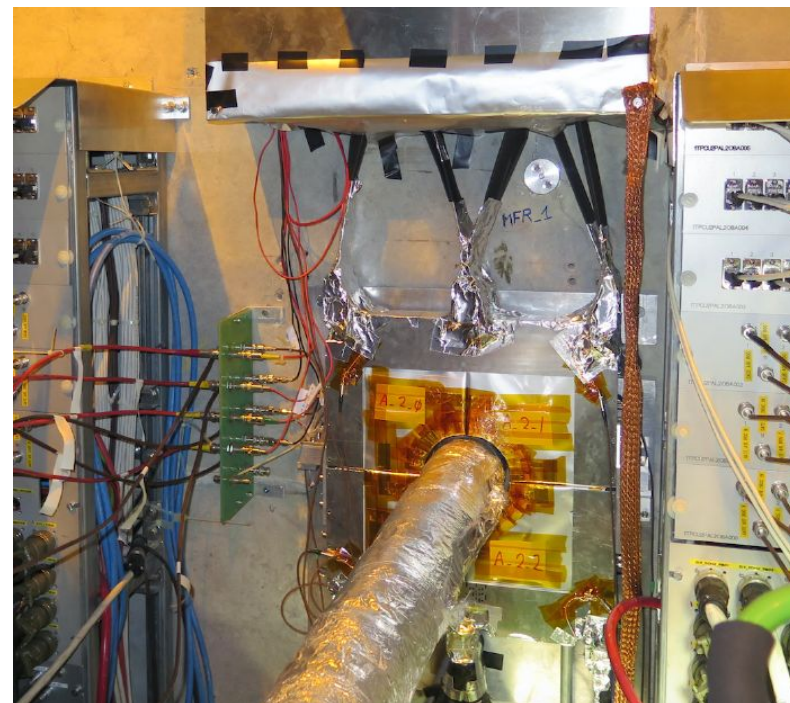
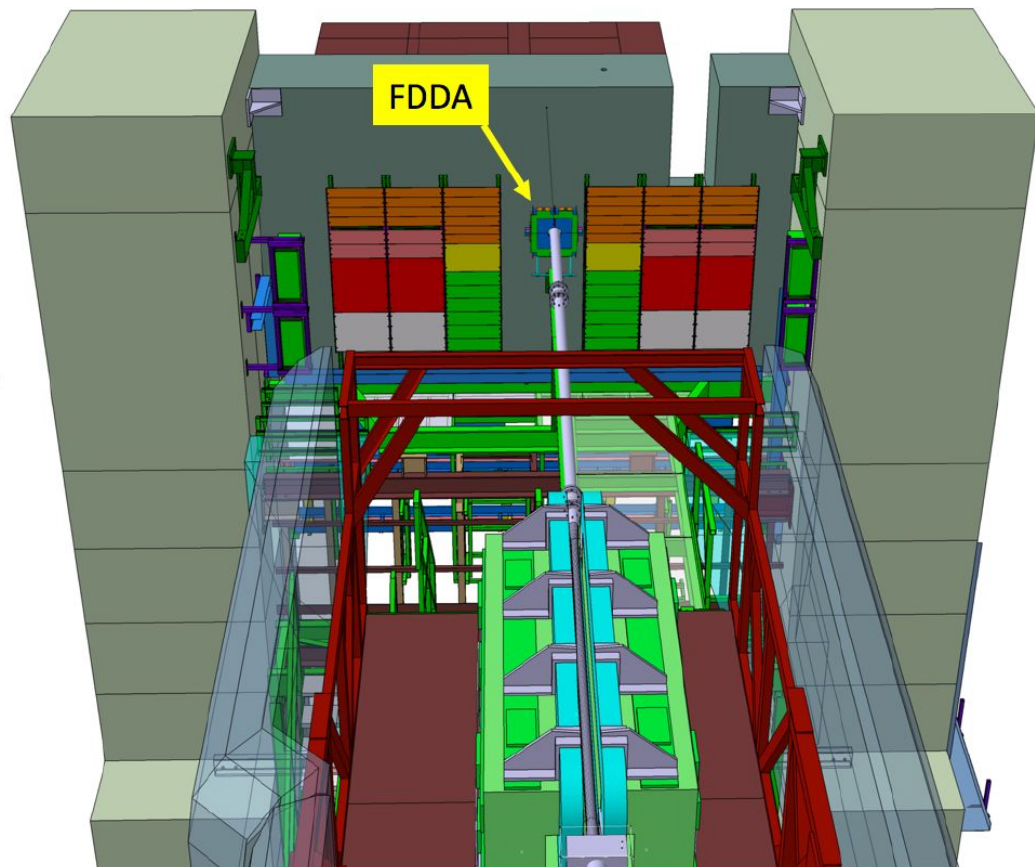
- 2 arrays: FDD-A & FDD-C.
- Same geometry as AD.
- Each 2 layers of 4 scintillators/PMT -> total 16 channels.
- Connected to FIT read-out.

Integrated into FIT detector

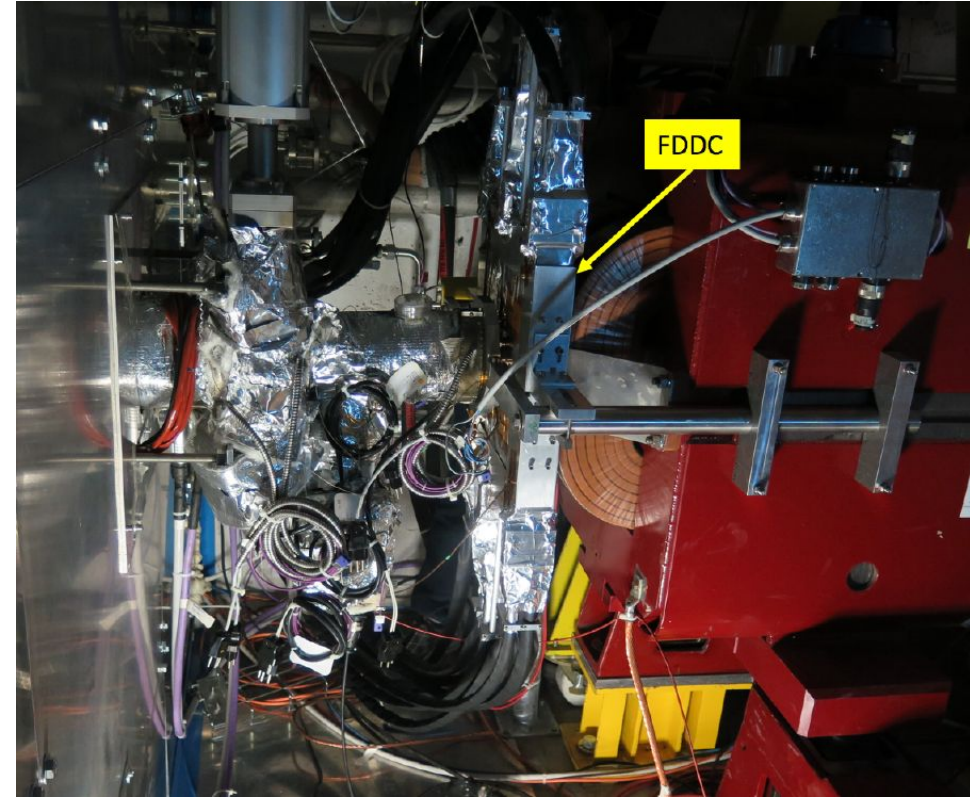
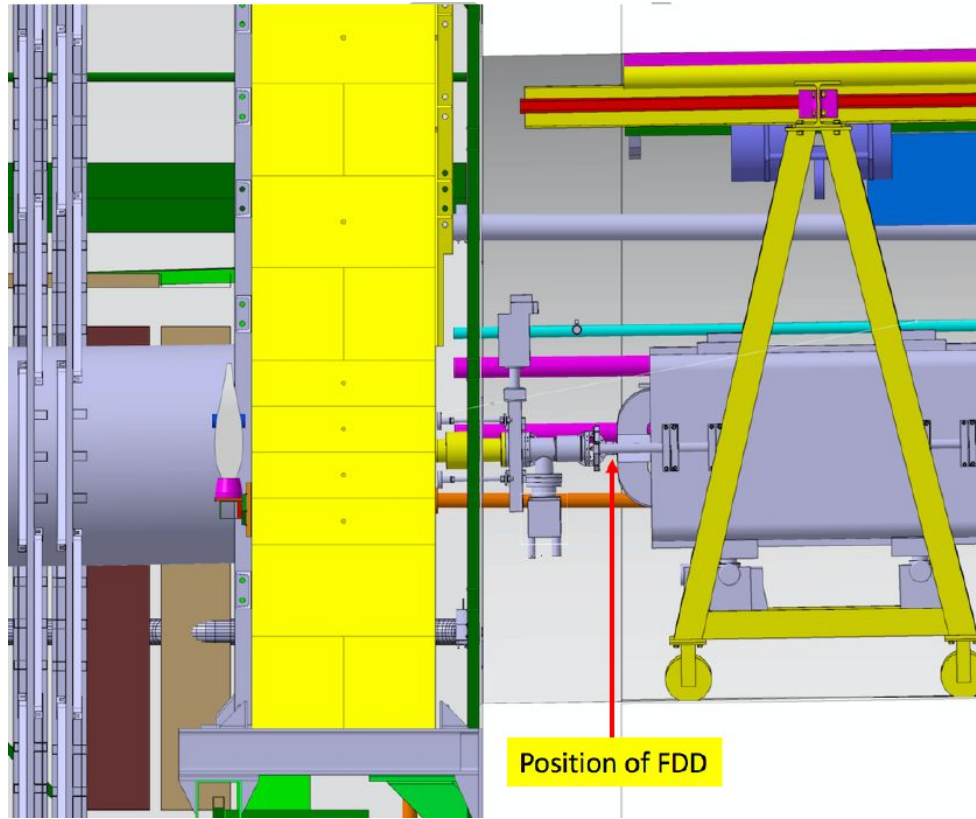
- Read-out, DCS, project coordination are common.



Placement of FDDA



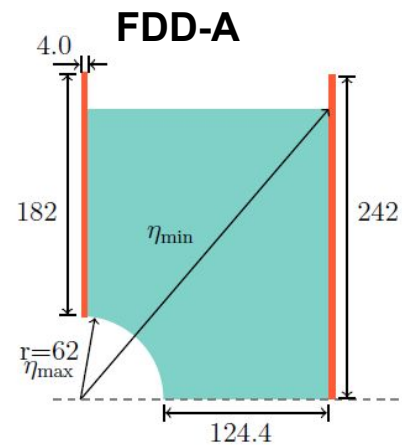
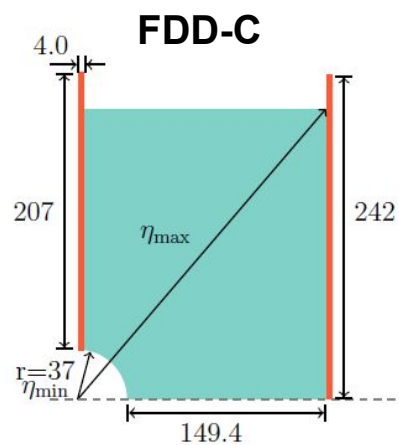
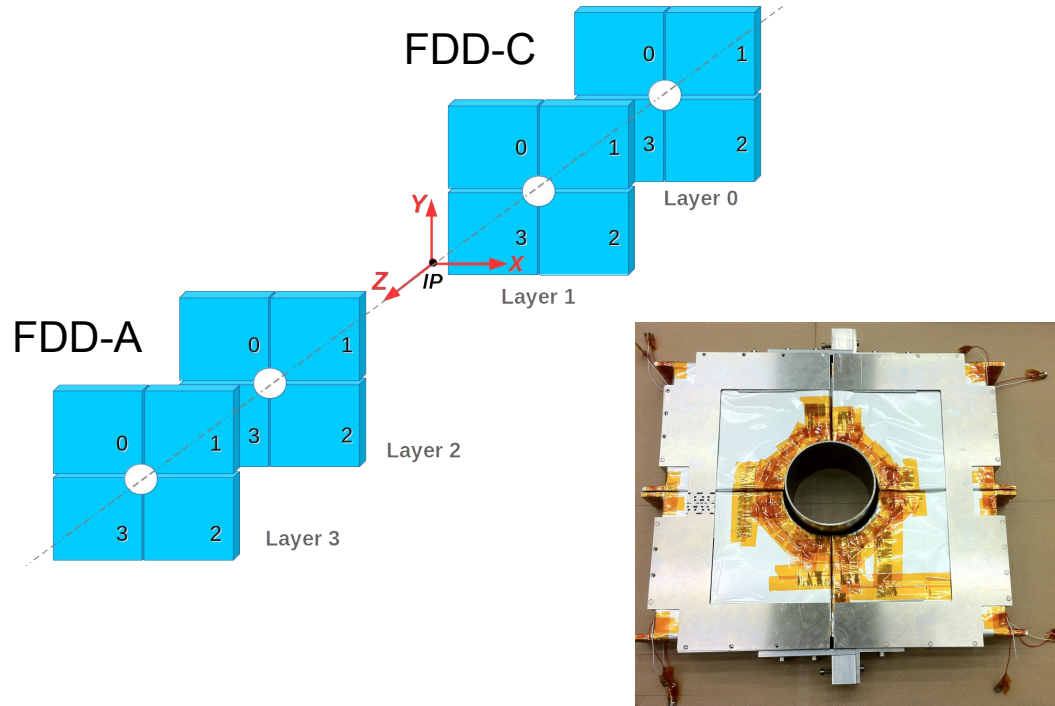
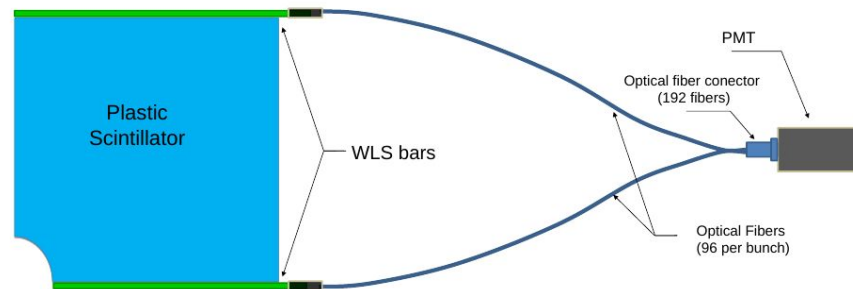
Placement of FDD-C



Forward Diffractive Detector - Layout

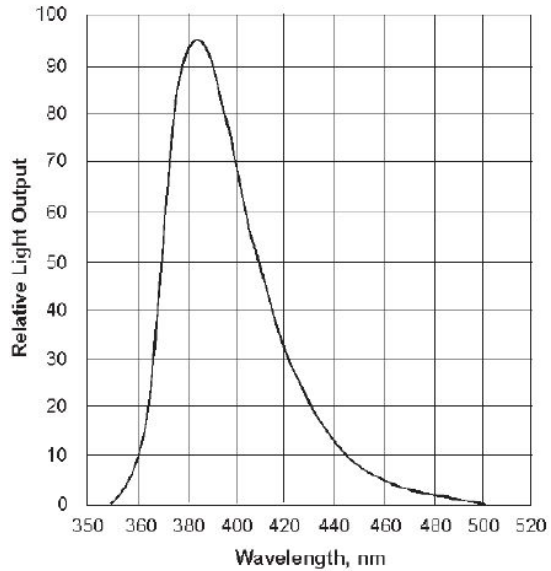
Materials:

- Plastic scintillator: Bicron **BC-420**
- WLS bars: LuminnoTech **NOL-38**
- Optical fibers: Kuraray **PSM-Clear**
- PMTs: Hamamatsu **H8409-70** (19 dinodes)

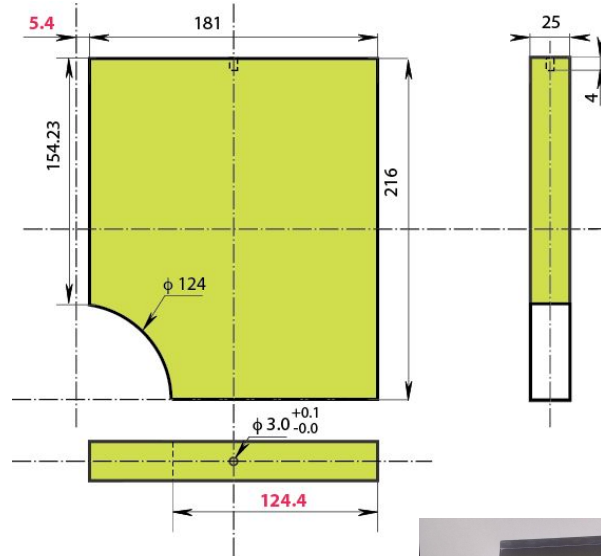


Layout: Plastic scintillators, BC420

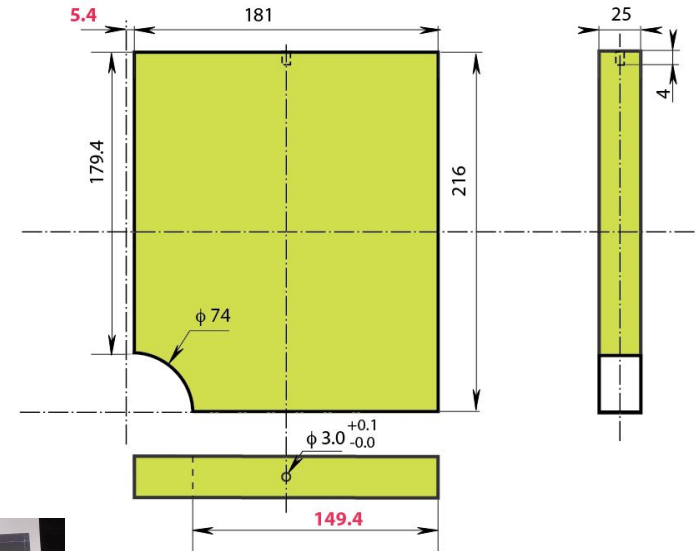
BC-418 & BC-420



A-side



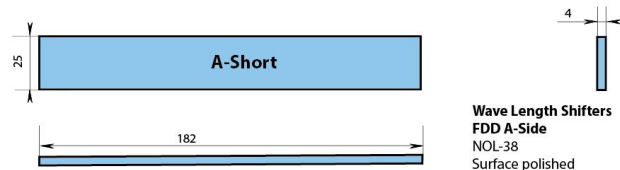
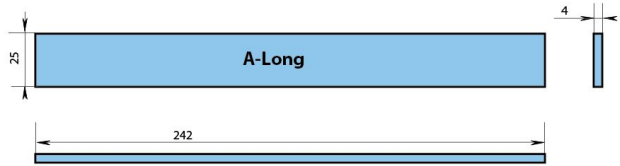
C-side



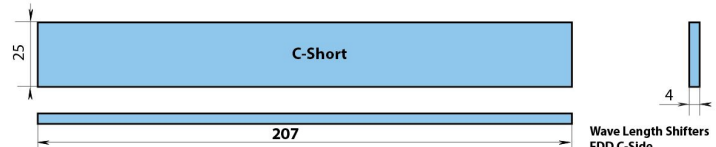
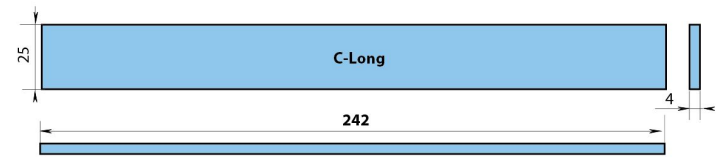
Peak of emission: 390 nm



Layout: WLS bars



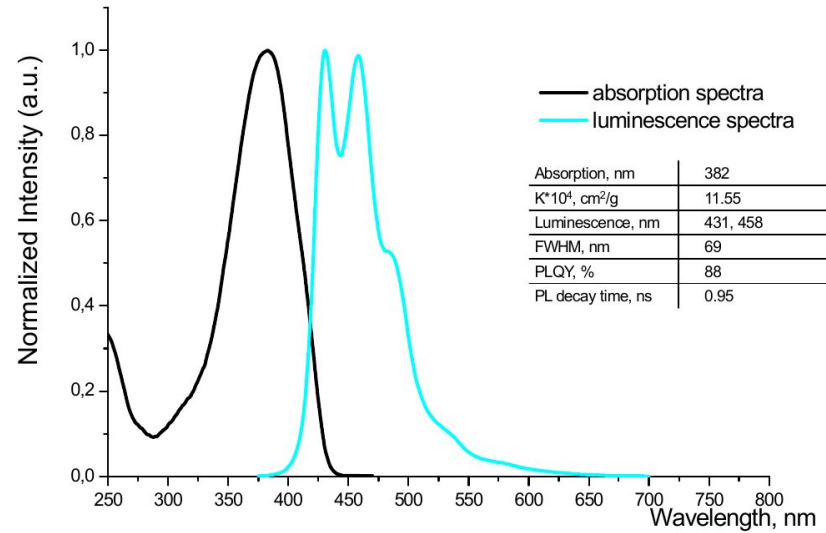
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FDD A-Side
 NOL-38
 Surface polished
 Precision: ± 0.15
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 FDD Project
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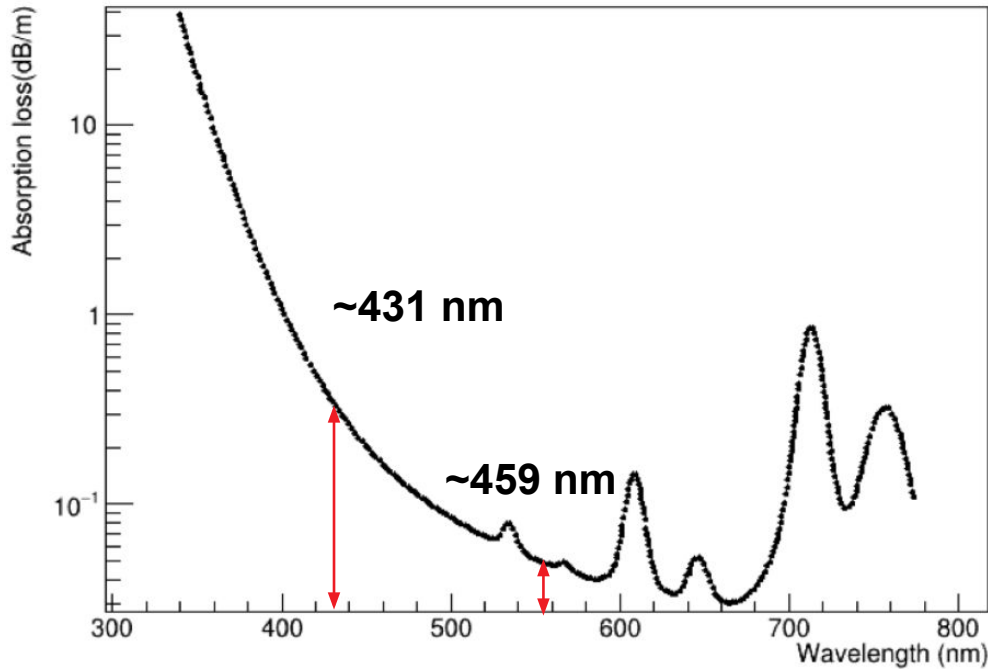
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Model: BC499-90
 NOL-38 from LuminnoTech
 Time decay: **1 ns**,
 Luminescence nm: 431 and 458

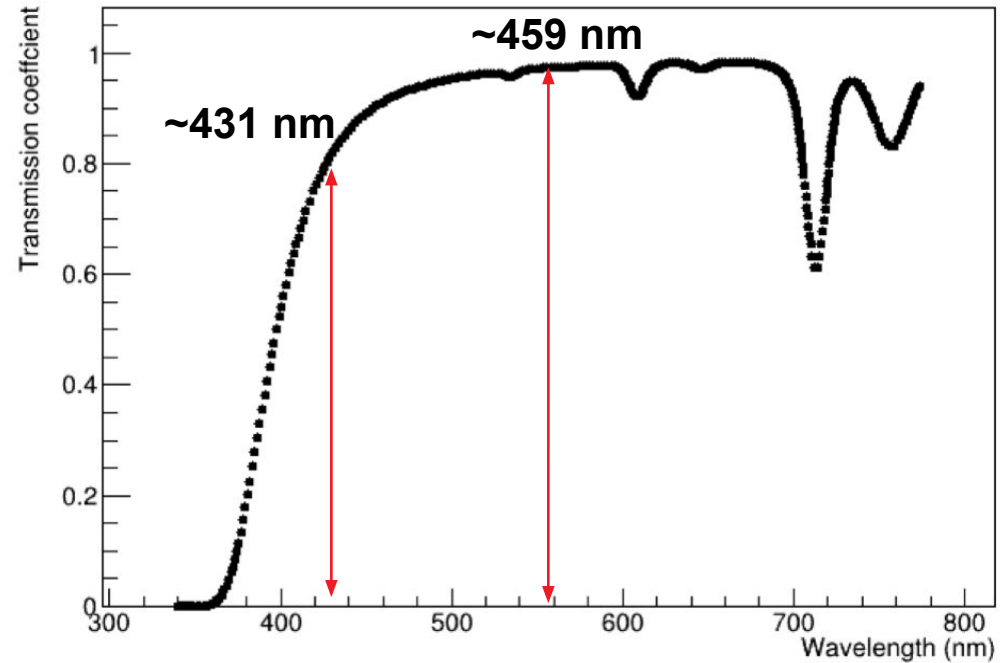
NOL38



Optical fiber – Absorption and transmission



Absorption spectrum as a function of photon wavelength.

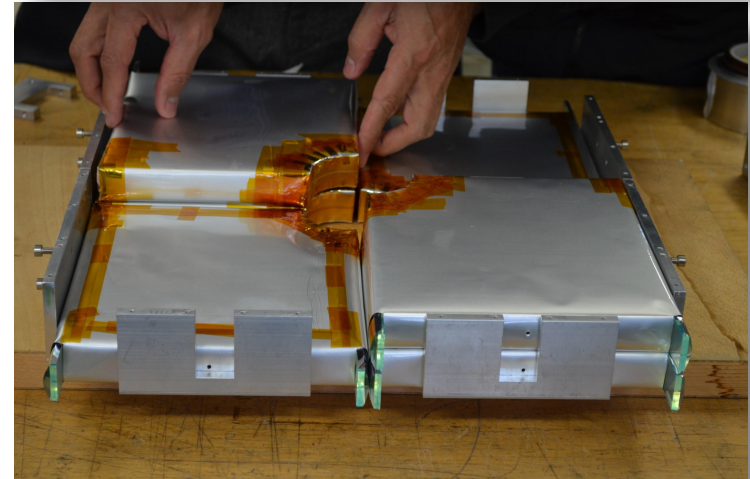
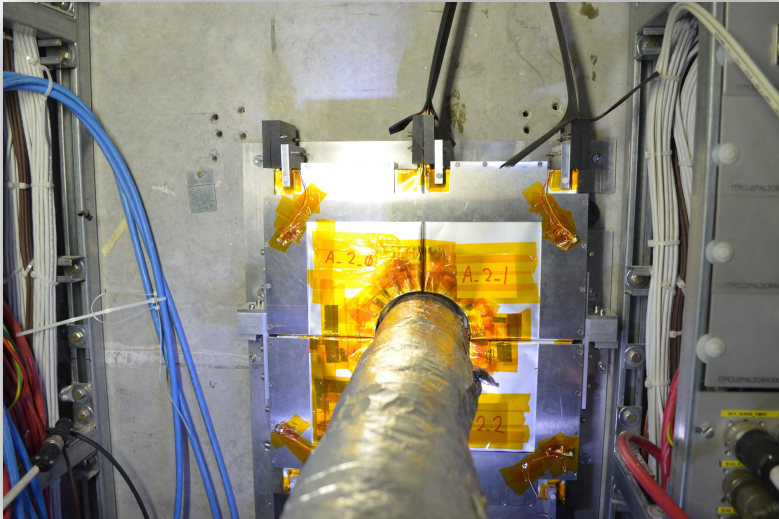


Transmission coefficient, or probability distribution for the transmission of photons along the clear fibers. The data correspond to the C side, where **fibers are 250 cm long**.

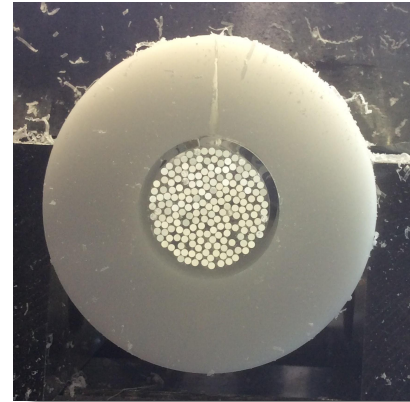
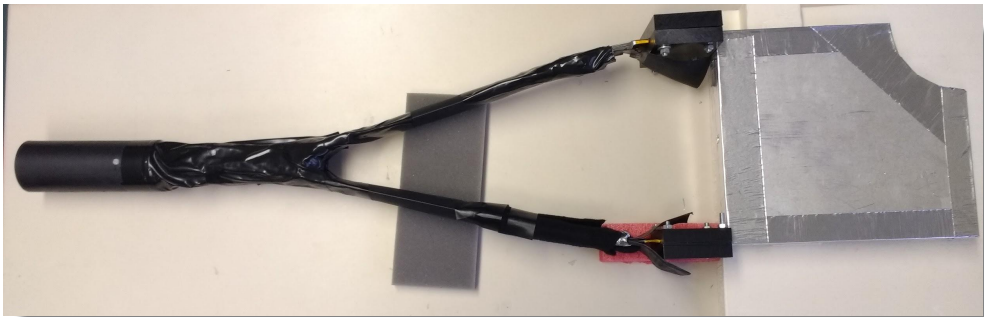
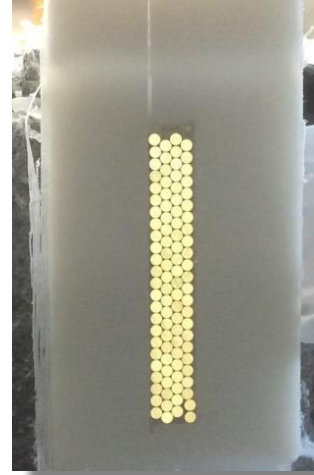
Construction procedure: FDD

➤ FDD stations assembling

- a. Prepare WLS bar and attach it to the plastic.
- b. Wrap the module with Mylar foil and protective material.
- c. Place FDD pads into the support frame.
- d. Optical connectors construction.
- e. Fiber bundle preparation.
- f. Machining of PMT cases.
- g. Machining of PMT-Box.

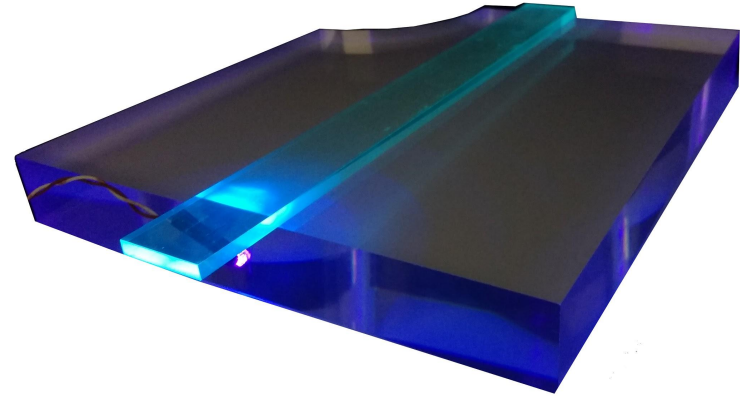


Construction procedure – Some pictures

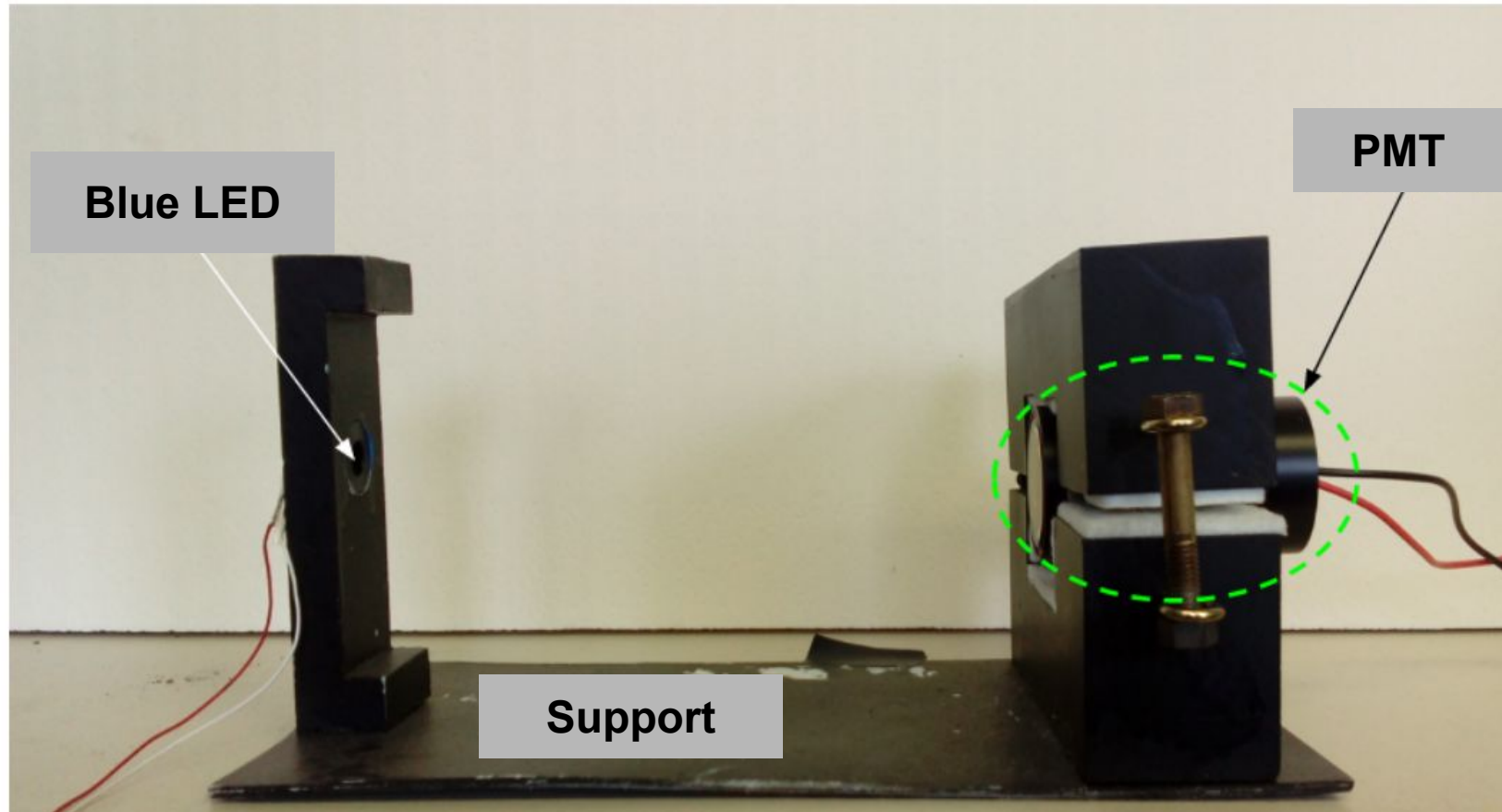


FDD prototype: Test and Results

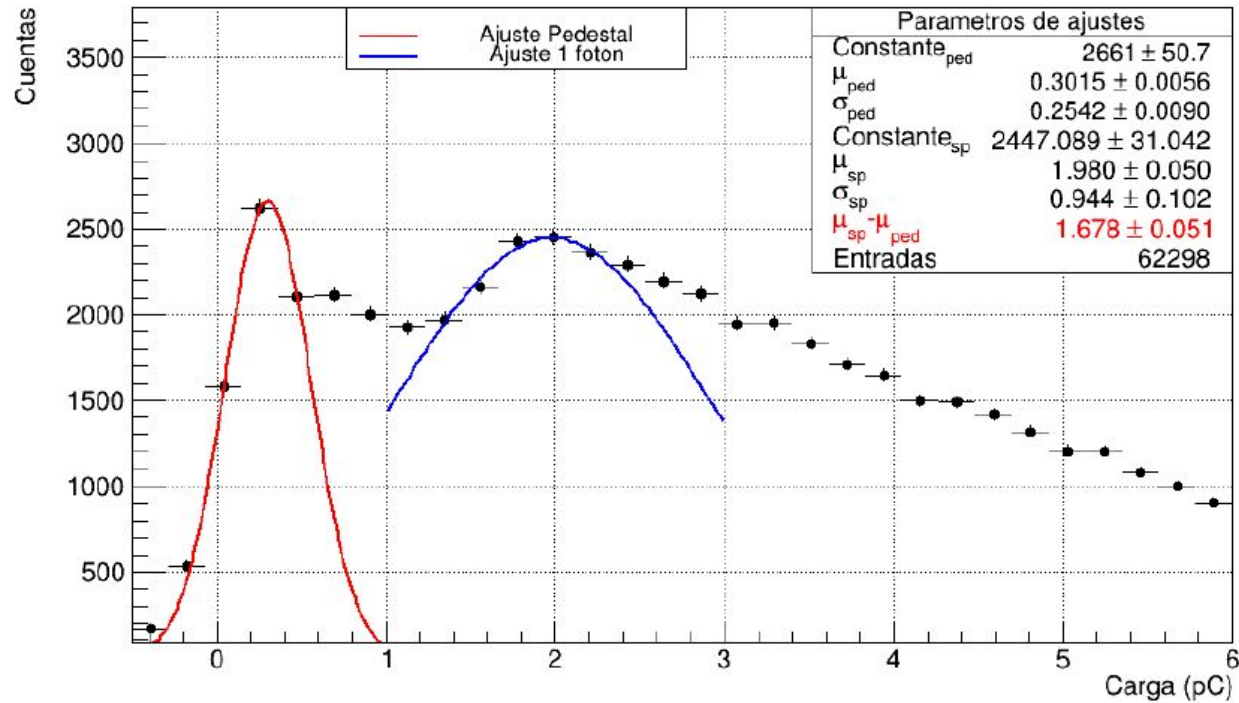
- ❑ Charge and time measurements of FDD prototype.
- ❑ Fit front-end electronic time and charge measurements.



Test and Results: Single photon calibration



Test and Results: Charge



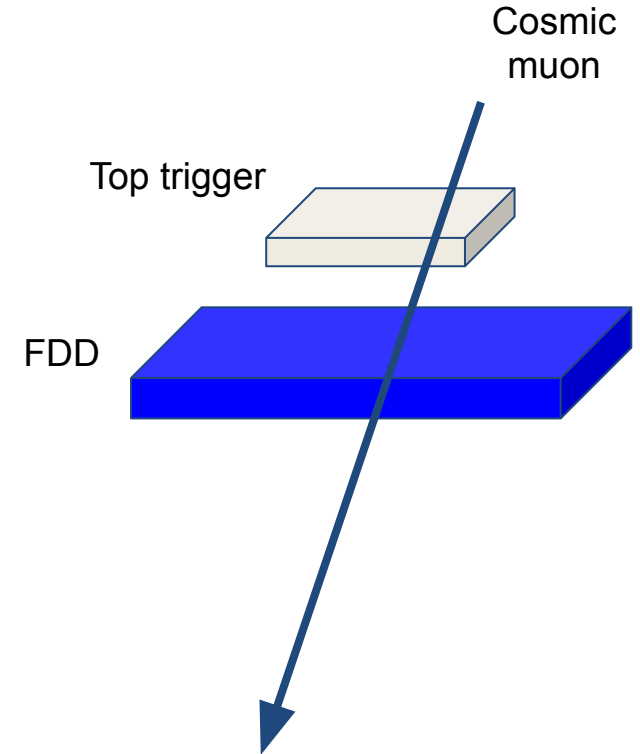
- PMT model: **H8409-70**
- HV: **2300 Volts**
- Charge per photoelectron: **1.67 pC**

Photoelectrons/MIP: Standard electronics

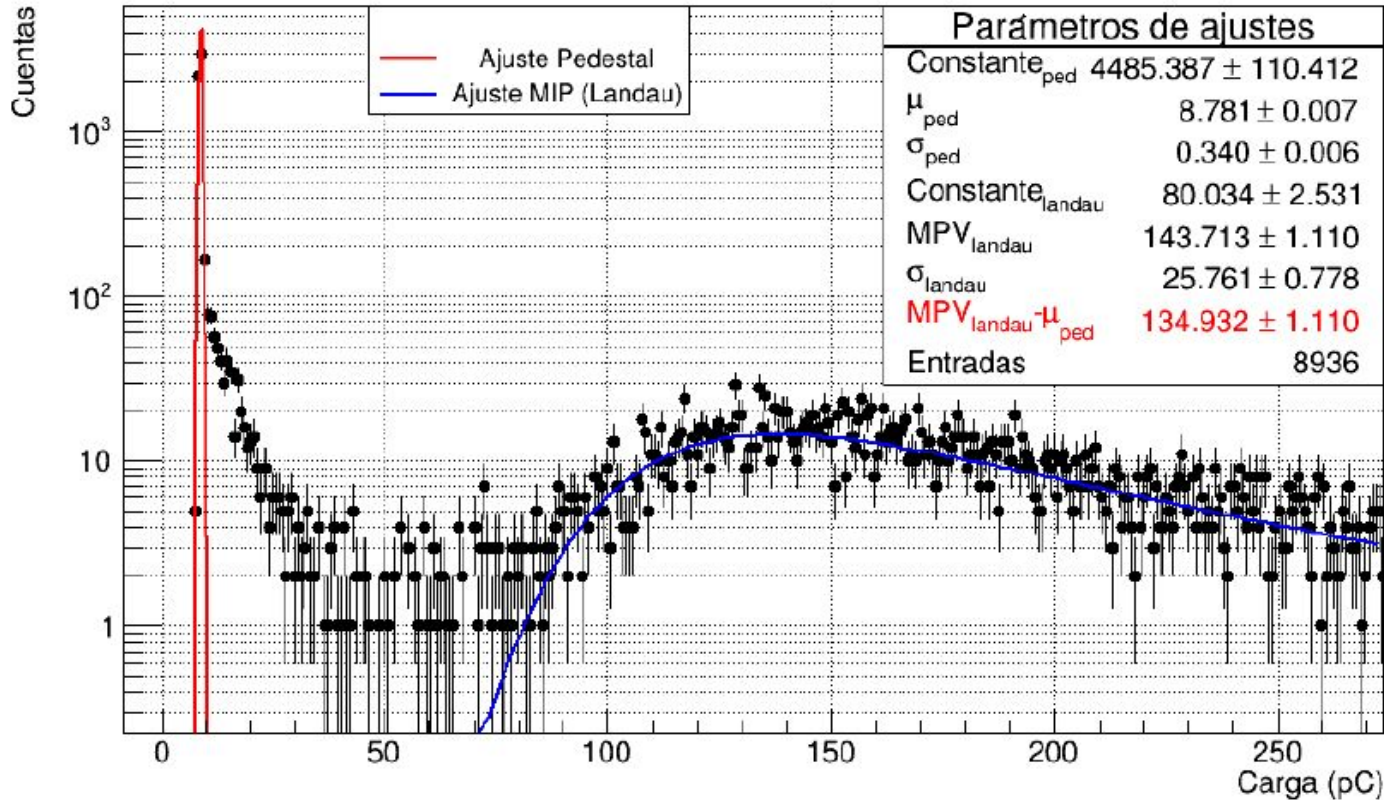
Digitizer:
VME CAEN **V1742**

Discriminator:
VME CAEN **V814**

PMT HV:
2500 volts

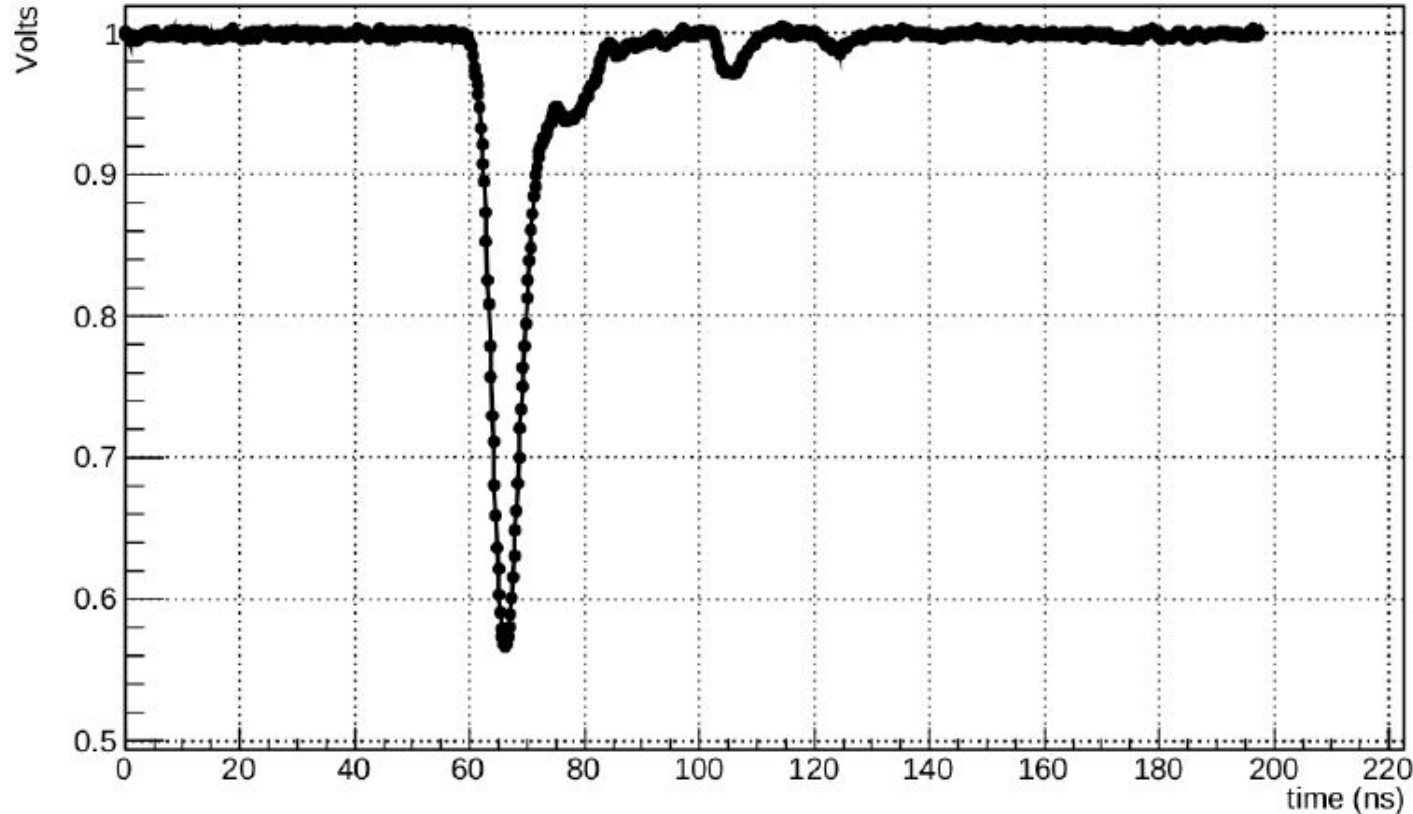


Test and Results: Charge for a MIP



- PMT model: **H8409-70**
- HV: **2500 Volts**
- Charge: **134.9 pC**
- No. phe: **81.32**

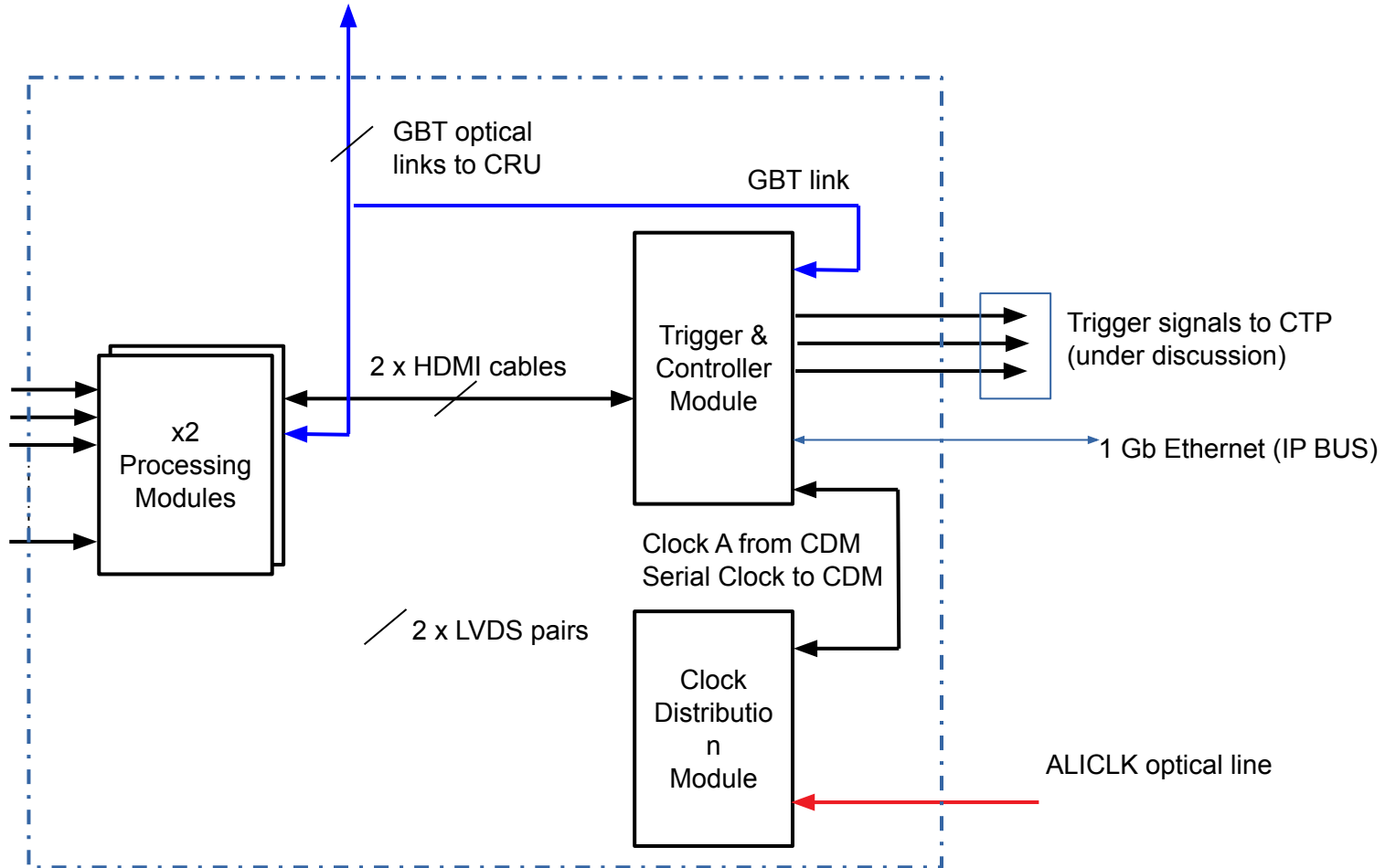
Typical pulse around the MPV.



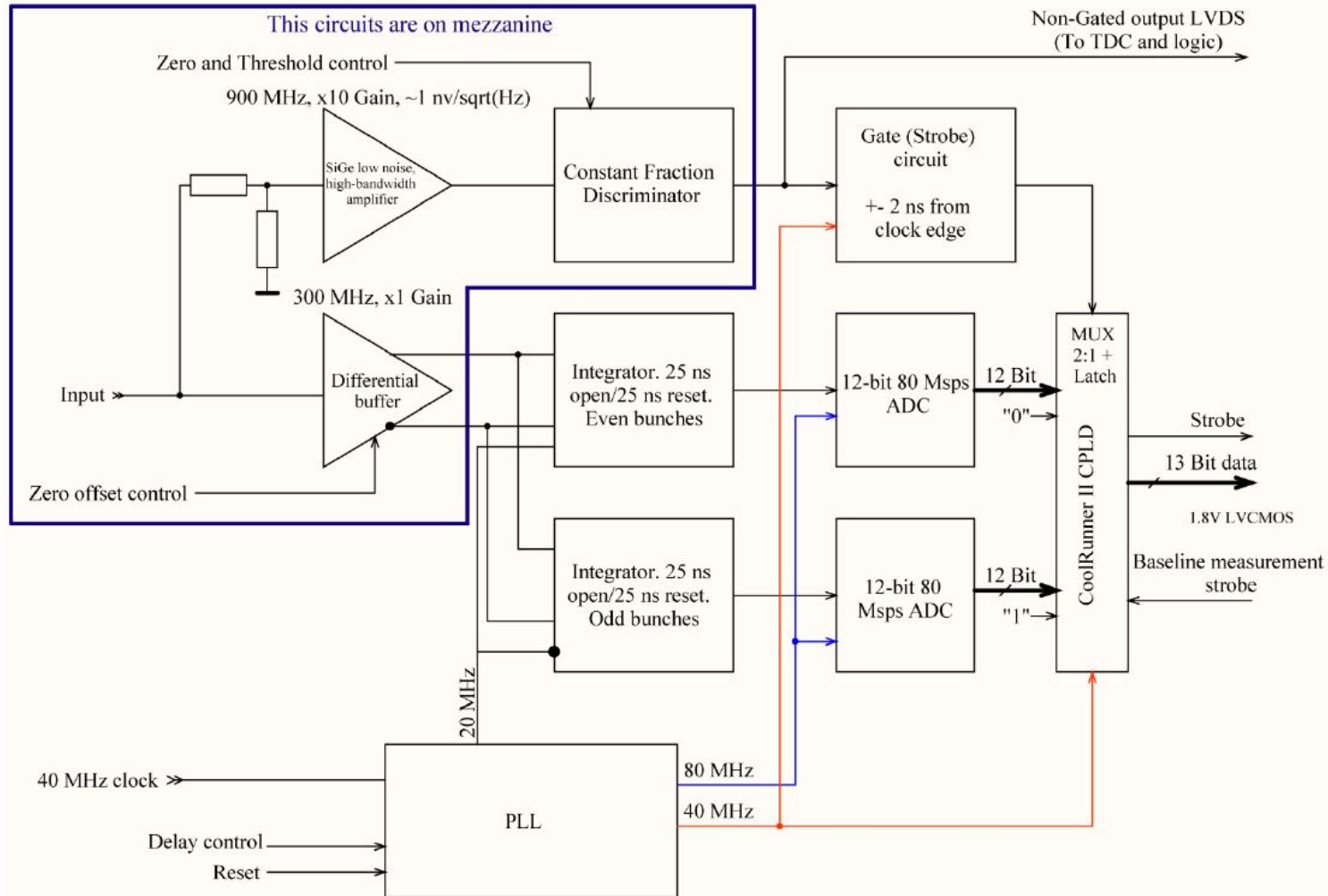
The amplitude: **564 mV**.

Note: directly from PMT.

FIT Front-End Electronics

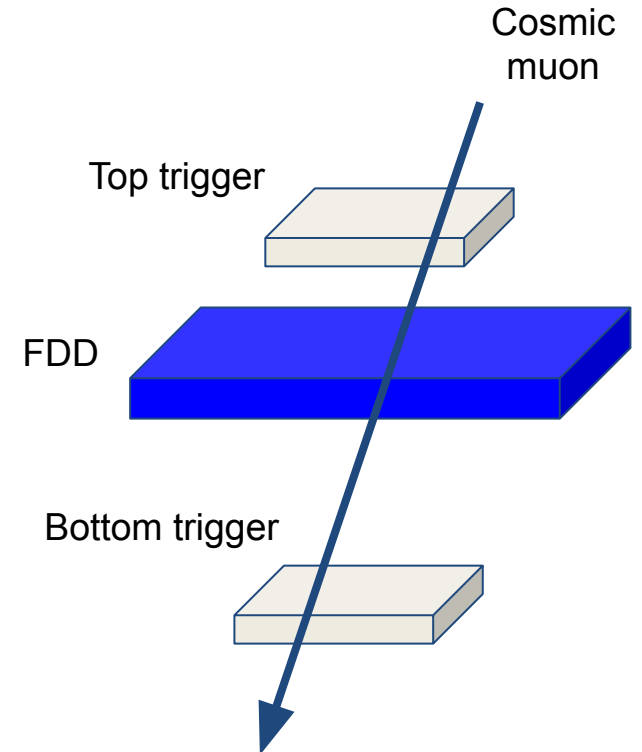


Processing Module

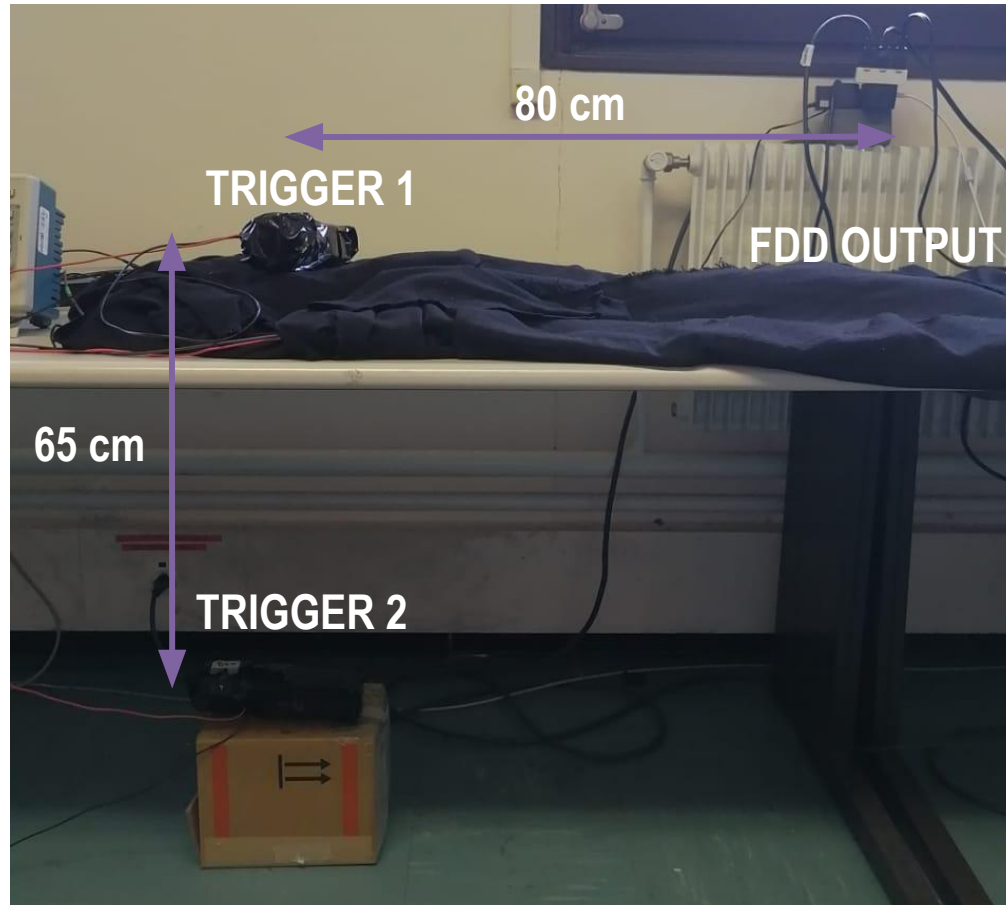


FIT Front-End Electronics test

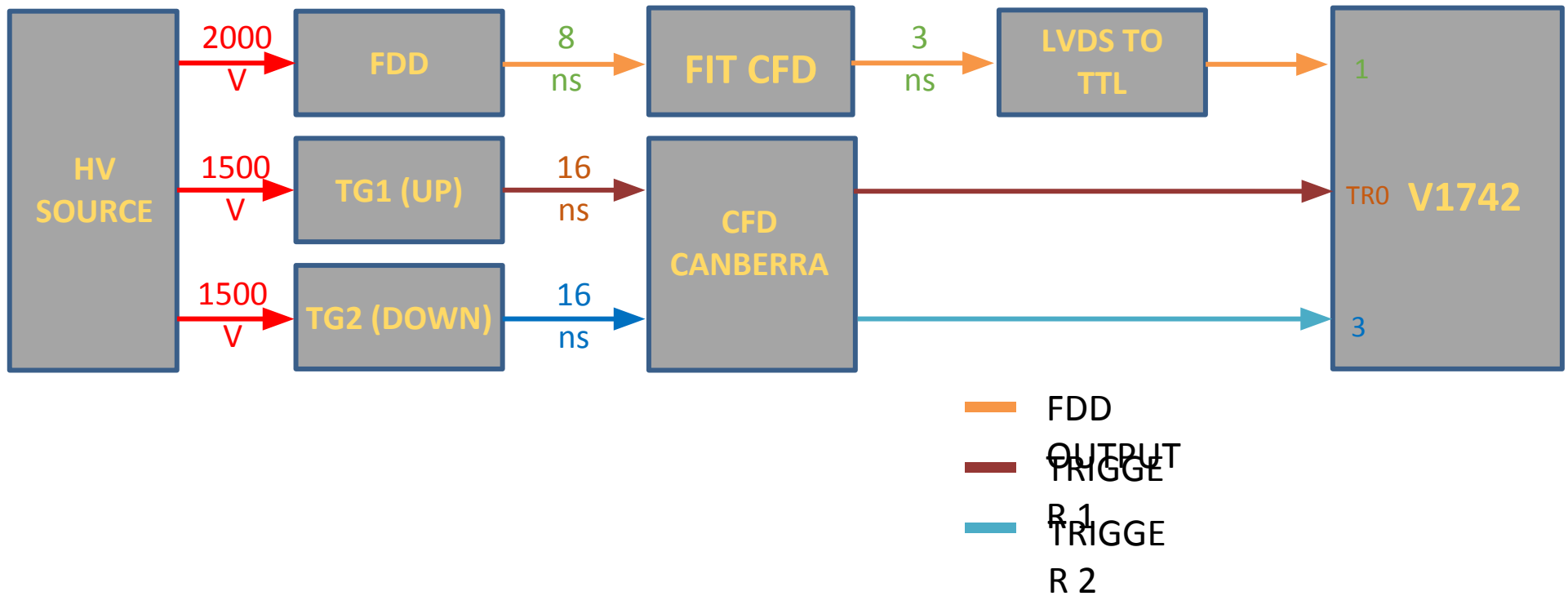
- ❑ PMT model: **H6153-70** (AD)
- ❑ To measure the time resolution we use two scintillators to **trigger cosmic muons**.
- ❑ **FDD prototype** under test was placed between two scintillators, **Top and Bottom**.
- ❑ The analogs signals from the triggers were sent to a commercial CFD.
- ❑ This logic pulses were sent to the **V1742 digitizer** (5 Gsamples/s)



Detectors configuration

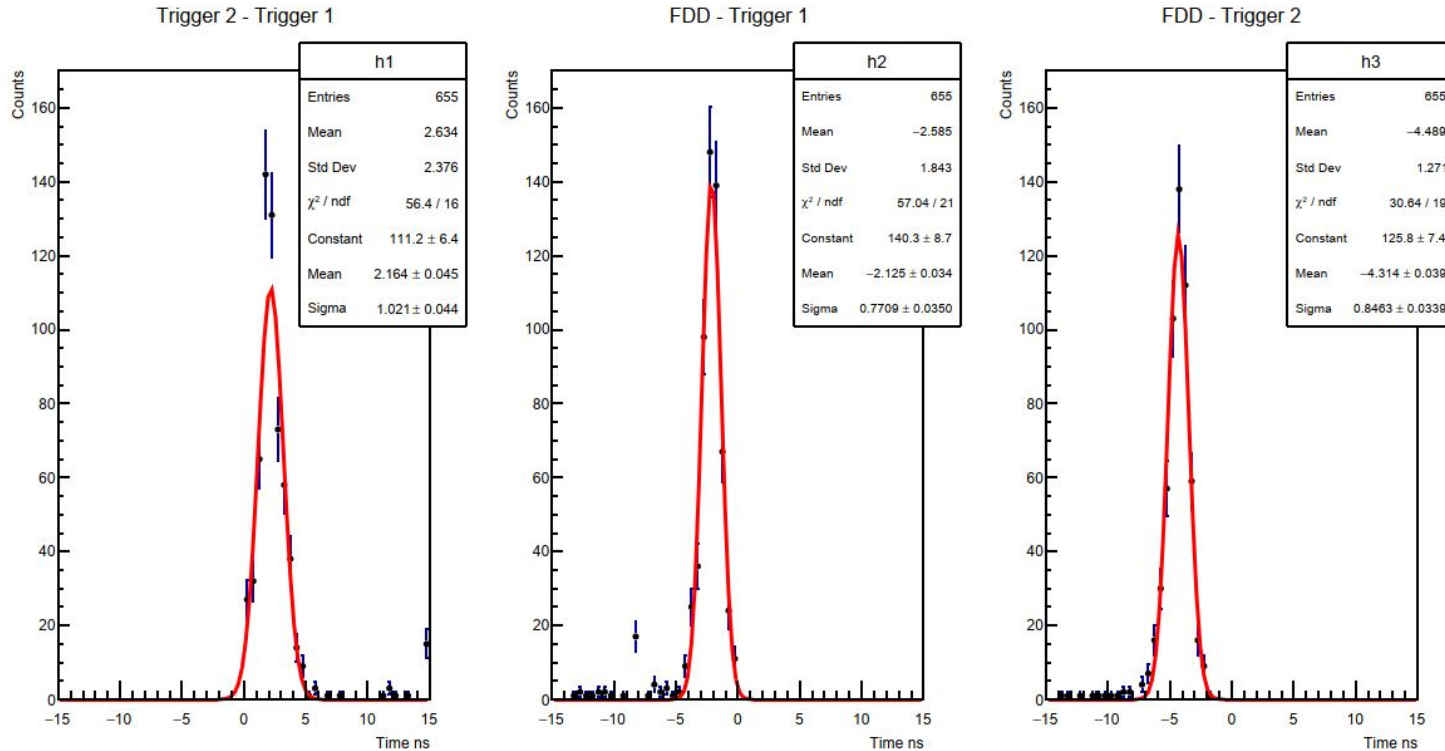


Connection of diagram



FIT Front-End Electronics test: Time

FDD time resolution: 0.367 ± 0.148



Final Comments

- Since the **AD detector worked successfully during Run 2**, we expect that with the upgrade, we can achieve the **characteristics required** for the new LHC conditions.
- The **degradation in the pseudorapidity coverage** in the new configuration of ALICE, make **FDD most important** to contribute to the coverage.
- We will make more studies in order to have the **complete characterization of the new detector**.
- In the next months will be measured its properties using a Laser and a different signal cable in order to **have a 25 ns pulse width**.
- We will **calibrate and characterize the PMTs** for the installation.
- New equipment has arrived to the laboratory of physics faculty, therefore, we can test the prototypes either at CERN or in the university laboratory.

Thanks for your
attention!