



# FP7-Futurejet Pellet Tracking in Uppsala

## Main HP2 WP19 activities 2009 - 2011:

- Synchronized readout of LS-cameras.
- Pellet tracking system design ideas (task 3.15, milestone 10).
- Time and position correlation studies. Velocity measurements (task 3.17).
- Tracking system prototype at UPTS (task 3.16 deliverable 10).
- Pellet tracking studies (task 3.17).

## Goals for HP3 WP20 activities 2012 - 2014:

- Close to 100% efficiency pellet detection (task 3.5, milestone 12, Dec13).
- Pellet track processing and optimization of pellet detection points  
(task 3.6, milestone 13, Dec14).
- Multi-camera readout system (task 3.7, milestone 14, Dec14).
- Feasibility of laser-induced droplet production (task 3.8, milestone 15, Dec14).
- ( - Preparation of one tracking section for PANDA. )

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### Uppsala activities 2009:

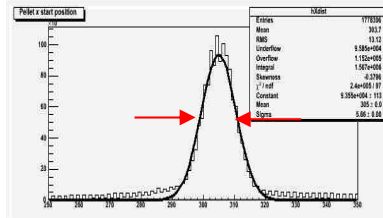
- Pellet diagnostics with single LS camera
- Understand LS camera performance .....
- Improve light yield from pellets .....
- Develop synchronized r/o for 2 cameras
- Time and position correlation studies

**Milestone**  
**FP7 report\***  
December 09

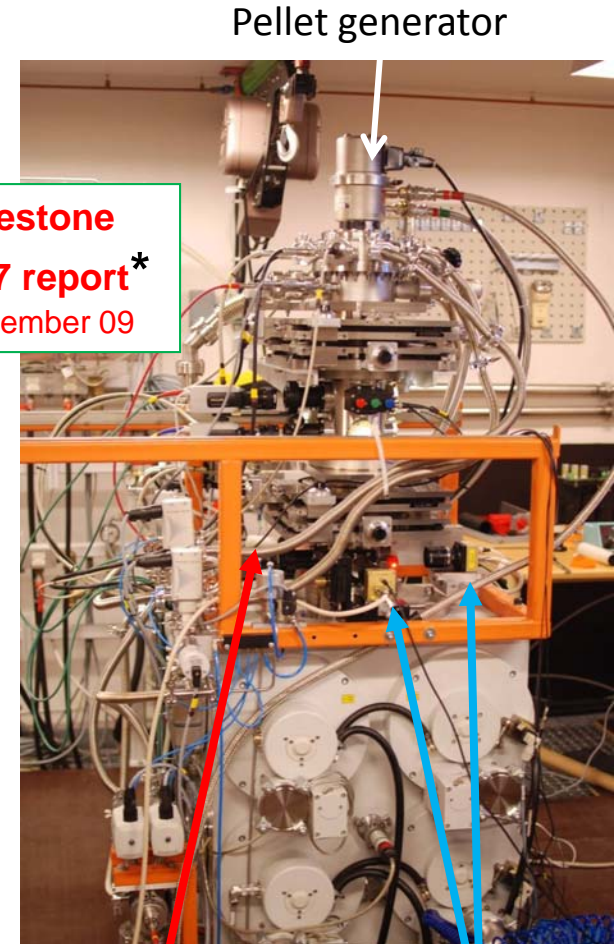
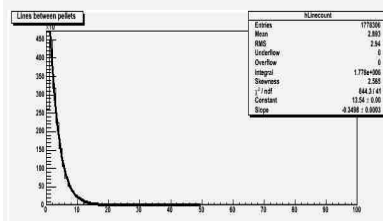
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### Example of pellet beam diagnostics with one LS camera

Beam profile



Time between pellets



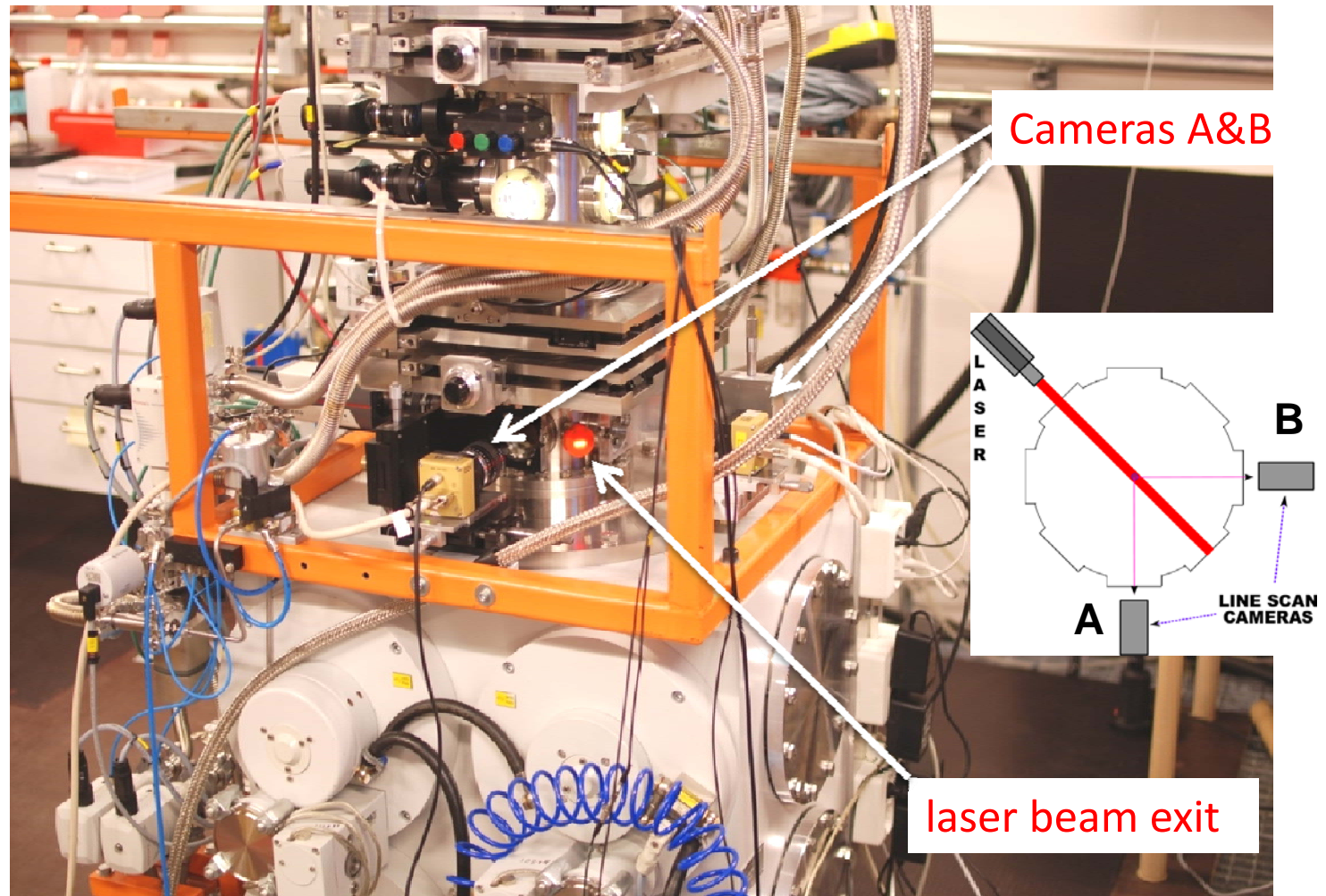
Laser



LS-cameras



## Two-camera setup. Synchronized measurement of x and z



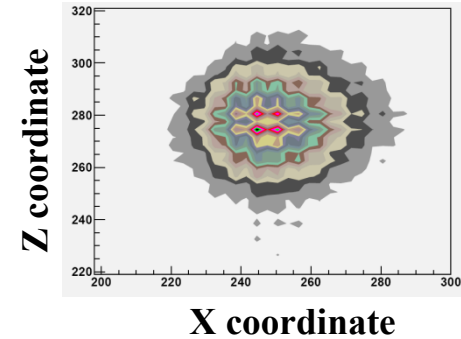
**135 degrees laser illumination geometry (refraction)**



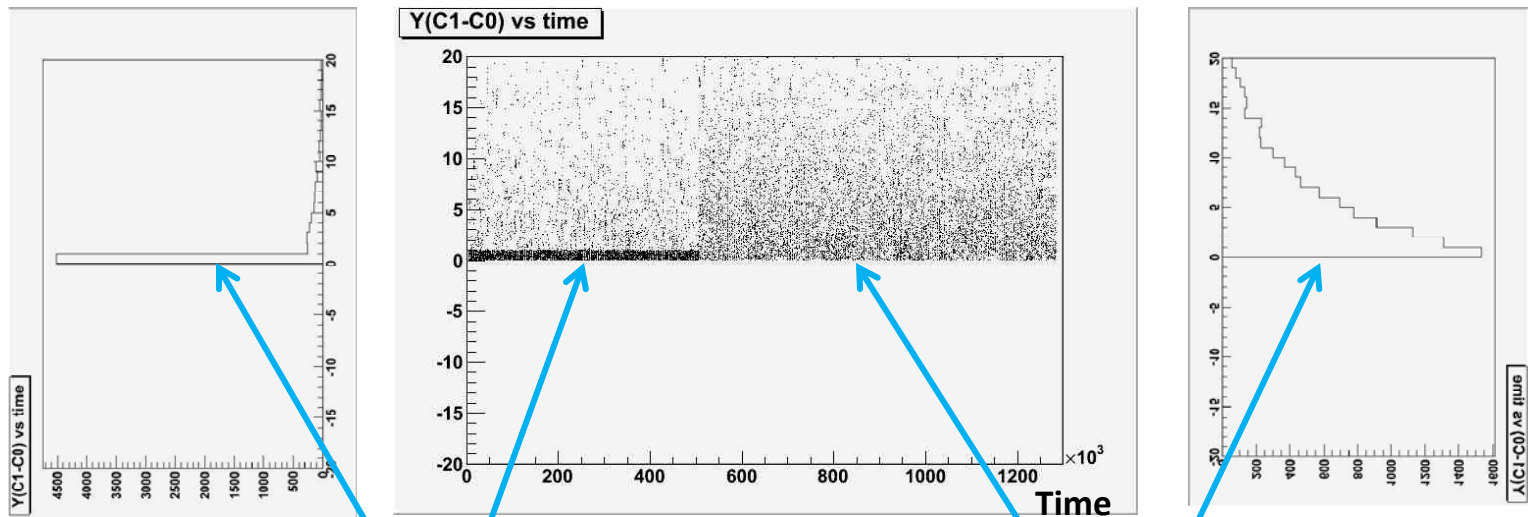
## Two camera synchronization with pellets

- Line scans triggered from external pulse generator
- Frames of 5000 lines each, analyzed in real time

2d profile of the pellet beam



Lines between signals in camera A & B vs time (during 25 s)



Same pellet seen by both cameras?

Frames out of sync





**Milestone report for FP7 HadronPhysics2  
WP19 (Futurejet), December 2009.**

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**Design ideas for pellet tracking systems  
for PANDA and WASA**

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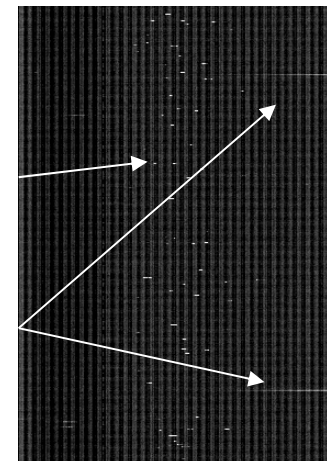
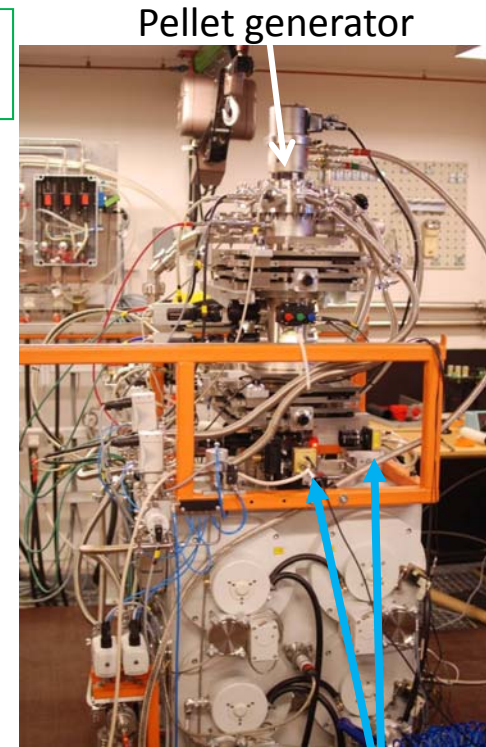
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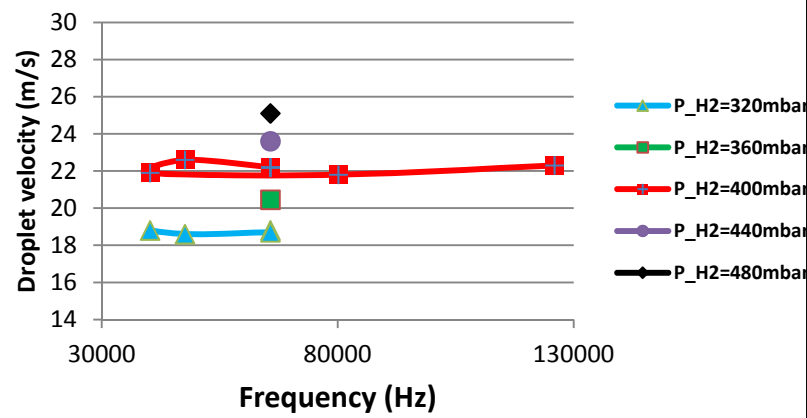
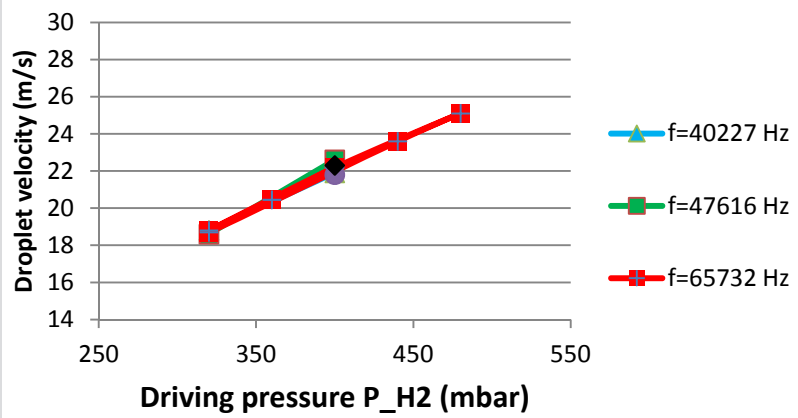




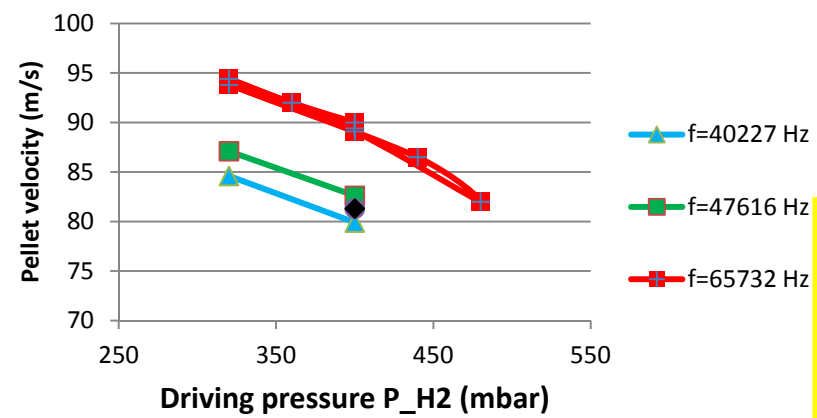
# Measurements at UPTS September 2010

## Droplet velocity vs driving pressure and generation frequency

Pellet generation conditions  
p(droplet.ch.) ≈ 25mbar  
pellet diameter 25-35 micron (guess)



## Pellet velocity from LS-camera measurement



**Higher driving pressure**  
**⇒ faster (and bigger droplets)**  
**⇒ slower pellets**

$\Delta\phi/\phi \approx 1\% \Leftrightarrow \Delta v/v \approx 1.5\%$   
(at these conditions)



# Pellet tracking system prototype

## Camera system

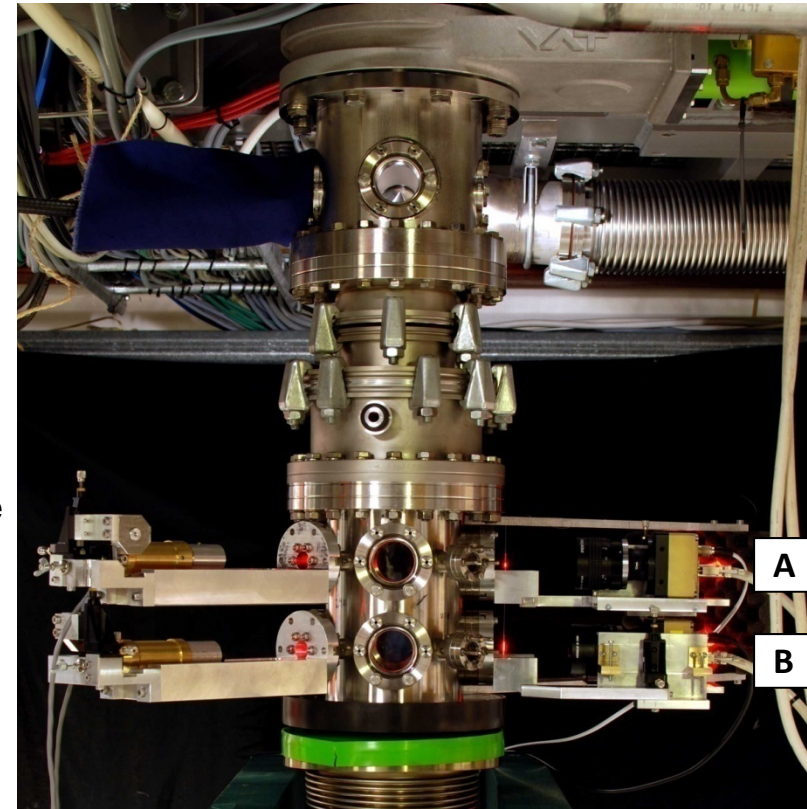
Two line scan cameras  
Model AViiVA M2 CL manufacturer e2v  
512 pixel line-CCD, dual tap  
Pixels: 14  $\mu\text{m}$  squared, 12 bit resolution  
Maximum line rate: 98 kHz (claimed)  
Maximum readout rate of 60 Mpixels/s  
via cameralink

### Optics

Focal length 50 mm  
Working distance: 250 mm to the focal plane  
corresponding to  $\sim 40 \mu\text{m}$  pixel size  
Maximum aperture: 1.4 f.

## Lasers

Two Lasiris<sup>TM</sup>, type SNF,  
structured light, diode laser module,  
single line beam profile  
Power 40 mW at 656 nm  
Working distance: 185 mm  
Fan angle of 1 degree  
(line length of  $\sim 3$  mm at the focus).  
Line thicknesses 40-60  $\mu\text{m}$   
at a DOF of 15 mm



## Mechanics

Tracking chamber (130 mm diameter)  
A total of 16 observation ports in 2 levels (A and B)  
separated by 80 mm

8 camera ports (35 mm windows)  
8 laser ports (16 mm) windows

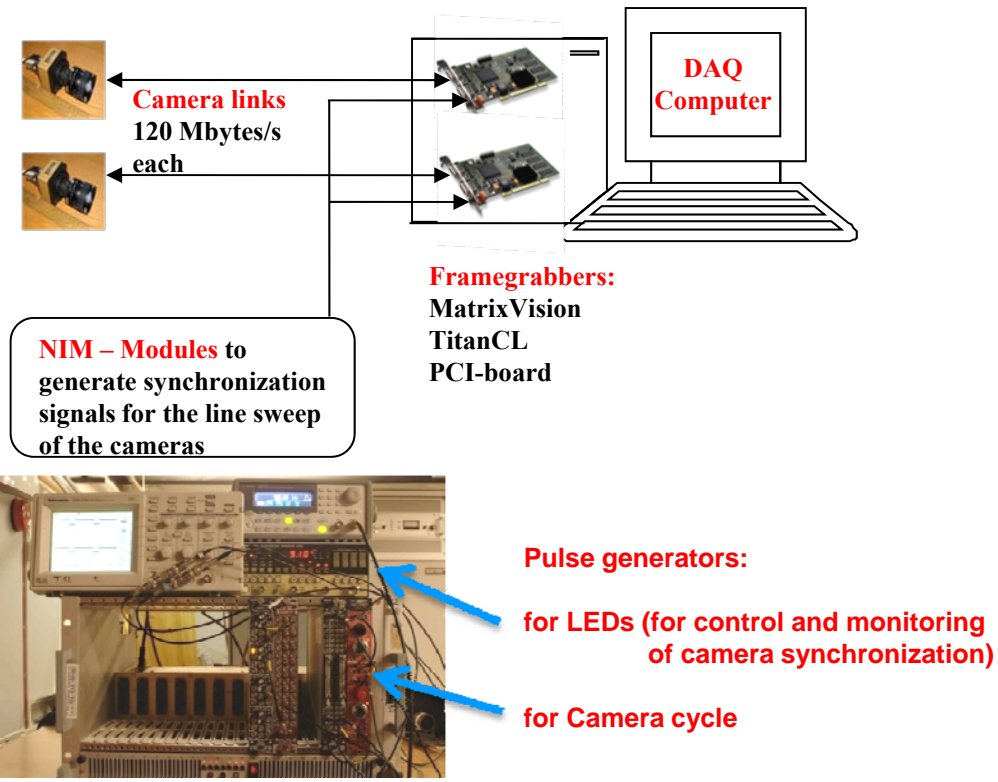
Camera support with 3d linear adjustment  
Laser support with 3d linear + angle adjustment

### Readout

2 frame grabbers, model mvTITAN-CL, PCI card, manufacturer: Matrix vision.  
Line synchronization and trigger by external gate generator in NIM  
Maximum line rate with continuous readout: ~50 kHz, limited by pci bus capacity  
With triggered frames ~80 kHz

### Software

Monitoring and control software from manufactures.  
Readout C++ software based on Matrix vision software development kit and root.

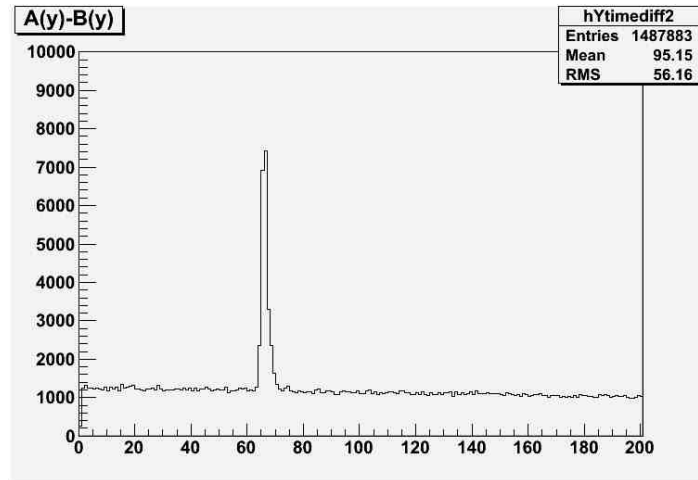






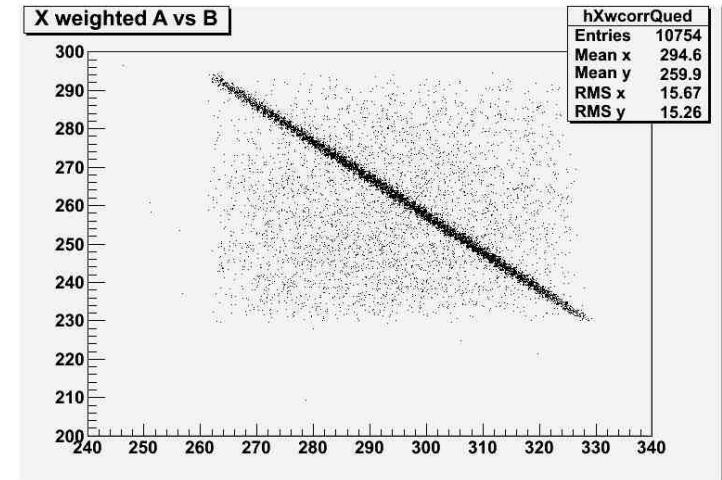
## Example of measurements

Time difference between signals in the upper and lower PTR chamber level



The peak is due to the signals from the same pellet at both levels. Its width corresponds to a small velocity spread in the pellet beam.

Pixel position correlation between signals in the upper and lower level



The dark line is due to straight pellet tracks pointing to the pellet generator (1.5 m above the PTR chamber).

### Further details can be found in references:

- Design ideas for pellet tracking systems for PANDA and WASA, Hans Calén, Kjell Fransson, Elin Hellbeck and Carl-Johan Fridén, December 2009, Milestone report for EC FP7 Hadron Physics2 WP19 , [www5.tsl.uu.se/panda/pub](http://www5.tsl.uu.se/panda/pub)
- Simulations for design of a pellet tracking system for PANDA and WASA, Marek Jacewicz, January 2011, Project report, [www5.tsl.uu.se/panda/pub](http://www5.tsl.uu.se/panda/pub)



## PTR at UPTS 2010 - 2011

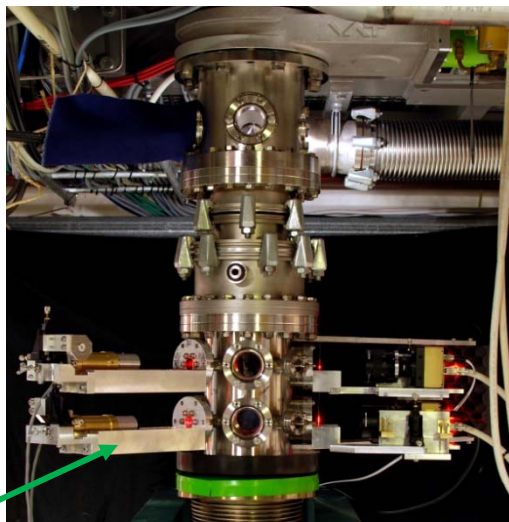
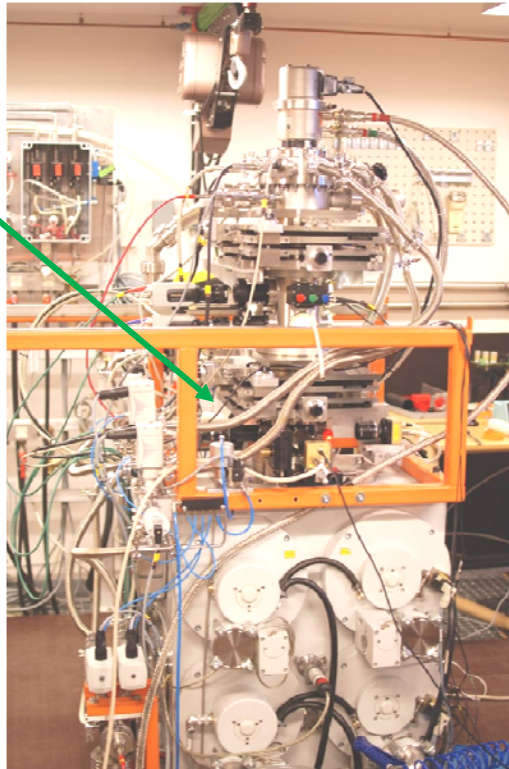
Generator floor with one level for 2 cams (x,y) and one laser at 135 deg.

Pellet beam diam. (mm)  
VIC exit : < 0.07

PTR gen: 2.2

		Skimmed beam
Skimmer:	2.9	2
PTR up:	3.5	2.45
PTR lo:	3.7	2.55
(Cosy beam:	5.1	3.6)

Dump floor with two levels for 2-4 cams (x,y) with lasers at 135 deg.



Windows center position  
vertical distance (mm)

-76.5 DC  
0 VIC exit

273.5 PTR gen

1503.5 Skimmer 0

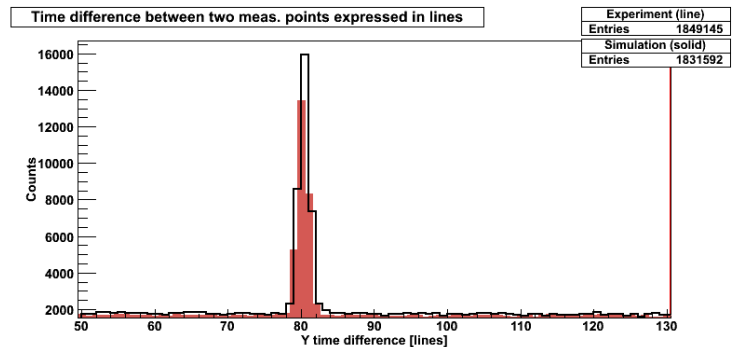
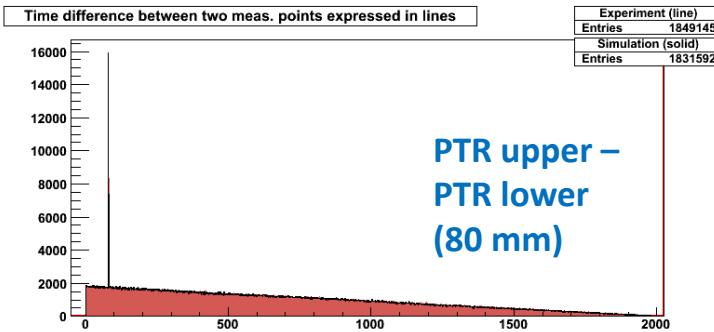
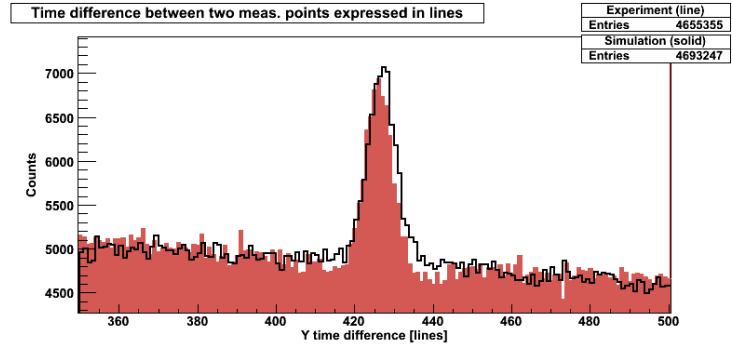
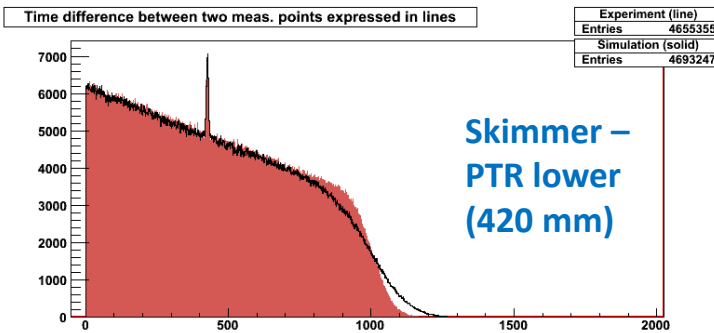
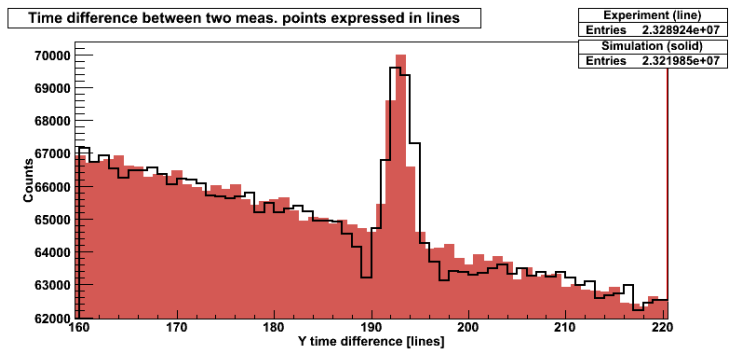
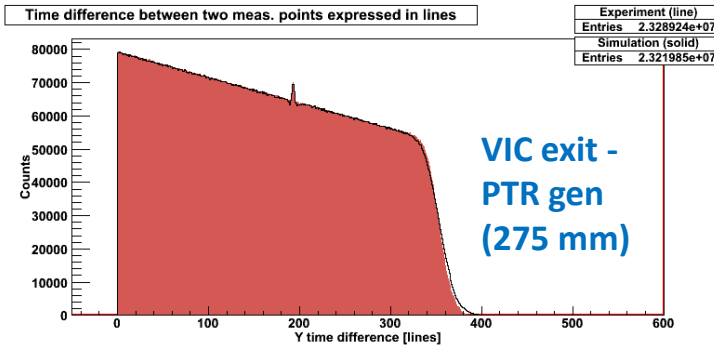
1843.5 PTR upper 340

1923 PTR lower 419.5

(2690 Cosy beam 1166.5)



# Measurements since March 2011: Signal time differences lower-upper camera



## What has to be simulated?

- Direction smearing
- Generation position smearing
- Loss at generation (in VIC)
- Stream collimation at the skimmer
- Detection inefficiency caused by insufficient illumination conditions ..... etc

## Generation frequency and time smearing

- Velocity and velocity smearing
- Acceleration due to gravity
- Loss/disturbance on the way
- Camera cycle and dead time



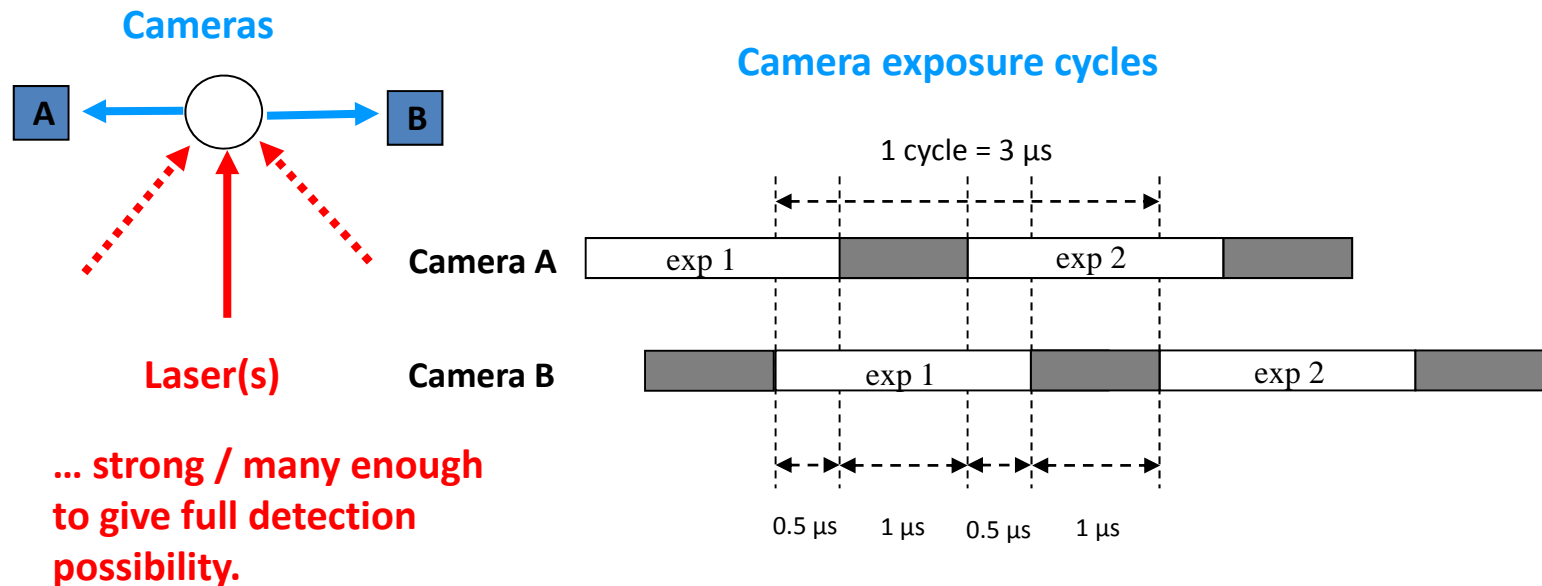
## Time resolution, efficiency & measurement dead time

Two specially designed cameras (3  $\mu\text{s}$  period time), measuring same coordinate at the same y-level being synchronized with cycles shifted half a period time, would give a time bin of 0.5 - 1  $\mu\text{s}$  ( $\sigma \approx 0.25 \mu\text{s}$ ) which is in the region of the final goal for PANDA.

The present (M2) camera performance of 12  $\mu\text{s}$  period and 9  $\mu\text{s}$  exposure time gives a  $\sigma \approx 1 \mu\text{s}$  would give an interaction position vertical (y) coordinate  $\sigma \approx 1 \text{ mm}$ .

We plan to test a new camera model (EM4) which has a shortest period of 5  $\mu\text{s}$ .

With a two-camera arrangement one would also get rid of inefficiencies due to the camera cycle dead times.



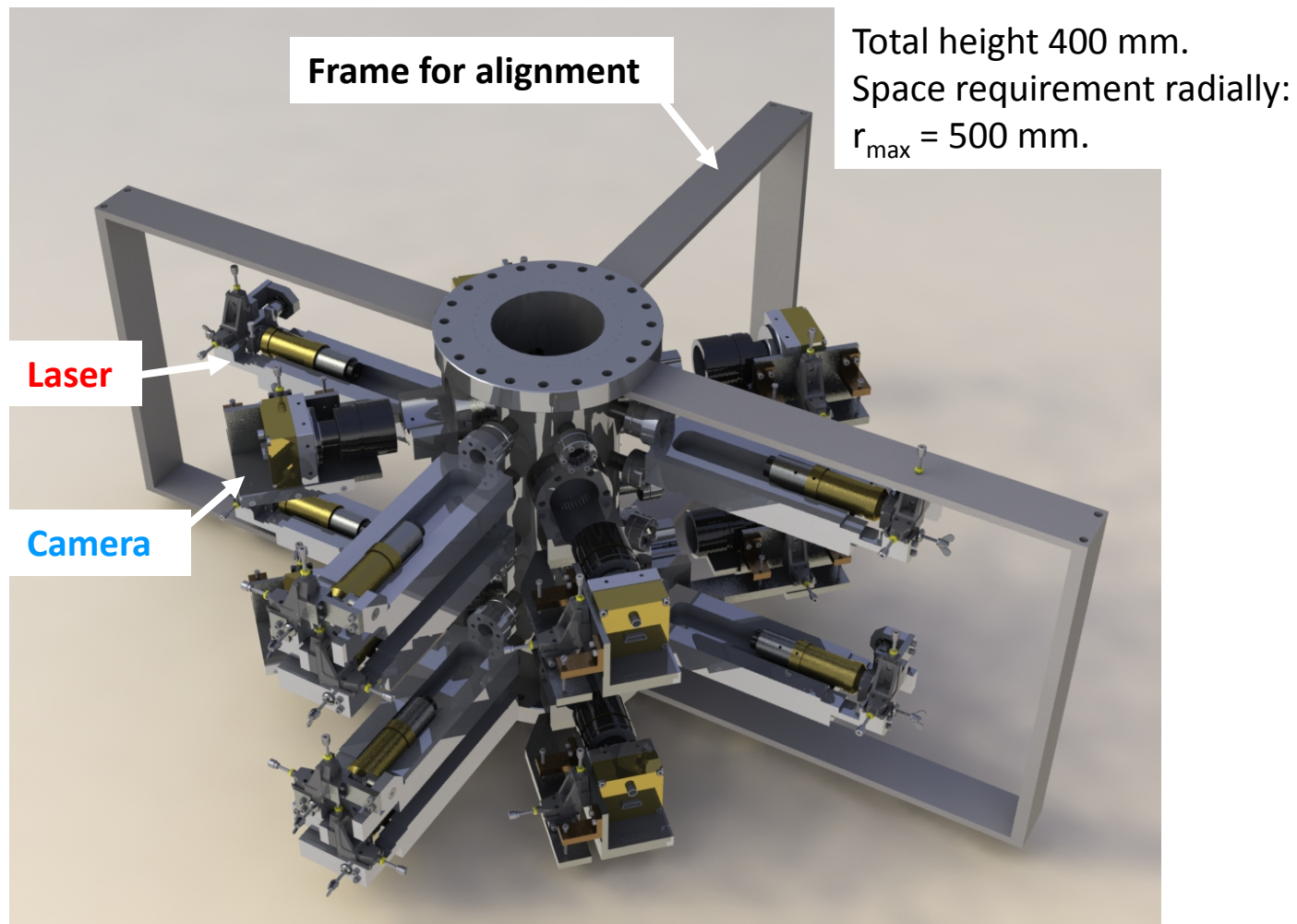




## Design idea: Multi-camera pellet tracking section for determination of velocity and 3-d direction for individual pellets

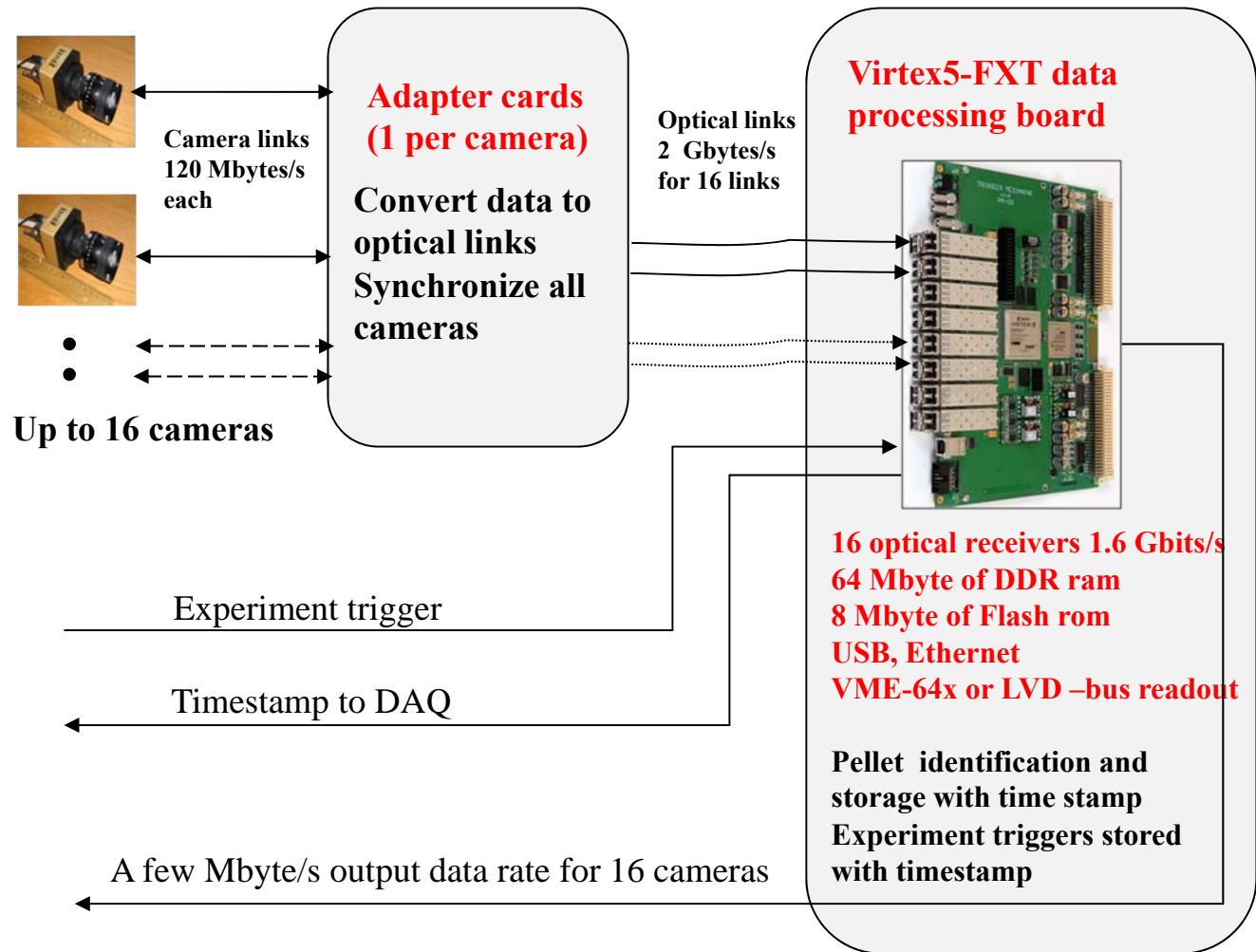
Four levels for measurements, each with two lasers and two LS-cameras.

- Distance for velocity determination 60 – 260 mm.
- Distance for direction determination 200 mm (...internally... one can use VIC exit also).



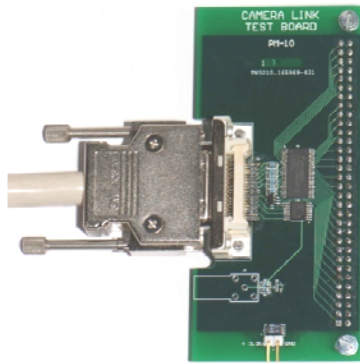


## Multi camera readout and synchronization

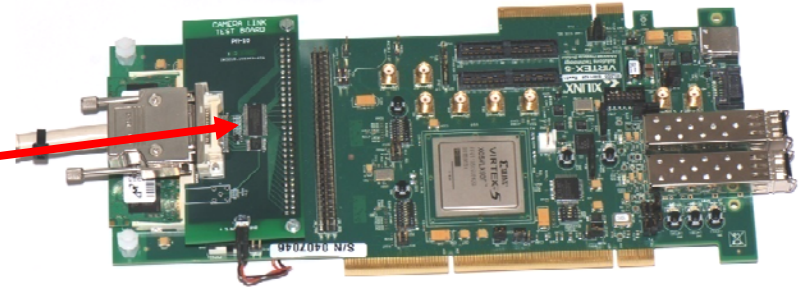
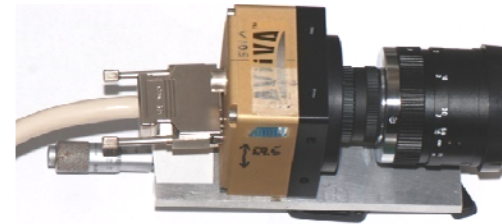




# Multi camera readout development prestudies



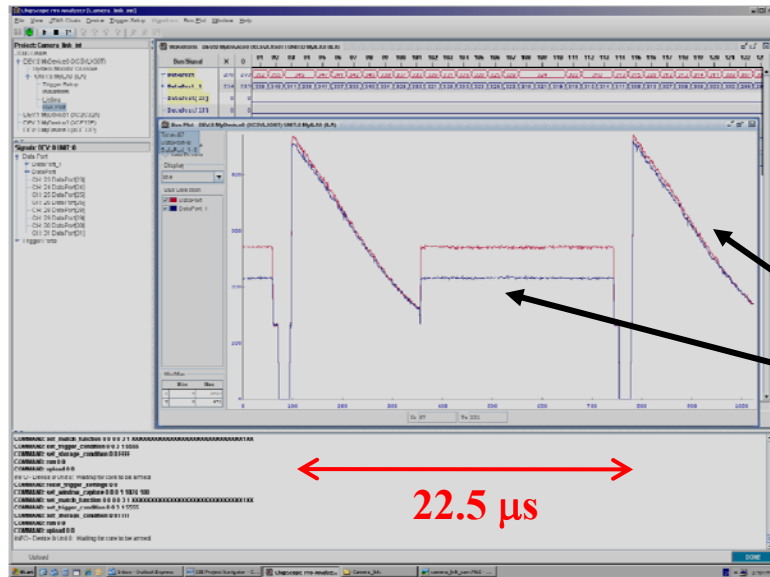
**CameraLink bus  
Signal converter card**  
“Serial” ⇒ parallel bus



**Virtex-5 development board**  
Study of camera signal behavior

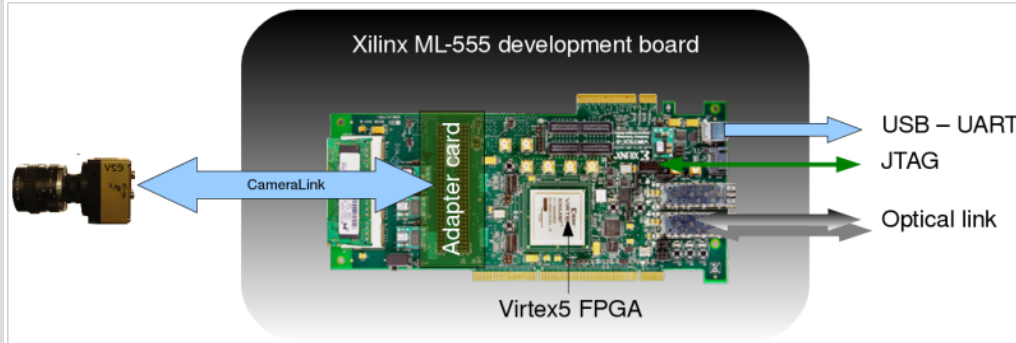


**Pixel signal monitoring  
for 22.5 μs camera cycle**  
Signal amplitudes 2 x 256 pixels  
Readout idle time ( exposure)





## Multi camera readout development prestudies

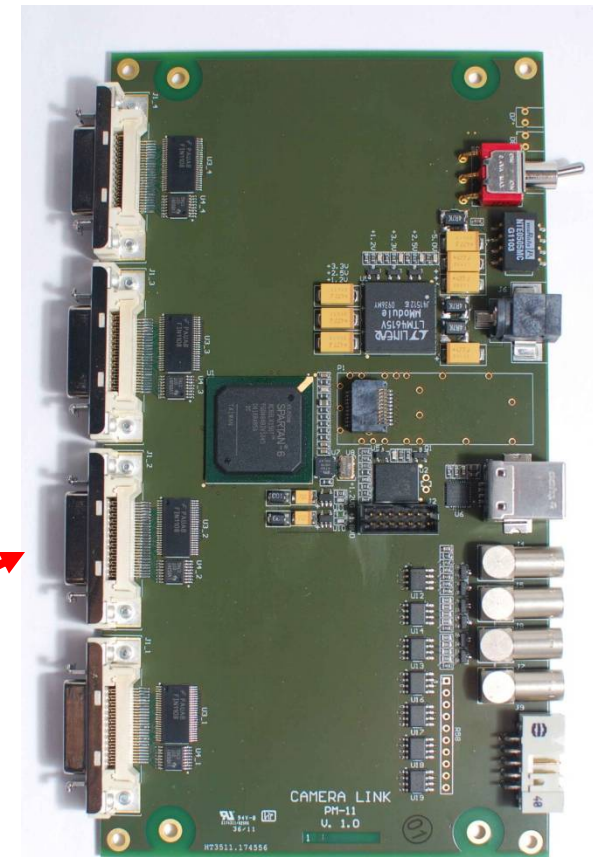


### Erasmus work by M. Albrecht.

FPGA code for pellet detection:

- Automatic pedestal correction
- Pellet detection with position amplitude and timestamp output
- Data output via USB for tests

**Prototype board with four  
CameraLink inputs and one  
FPGA (SPARTAN-6) ....  
...being debugged ....  
... for further development  
work during 2012 .....**







## Status and Conclusions November 2011:

- LS camera performance basically understood ....
- **Synchronized operation with two cameras works (12  $\mu$ s cycle)**
- Illumination/detection conditions good ... **but should be improved**
- **Required transverse position resolution reachable with present cameras. Solution for good time ( $\Rightarrow$  y position) resolution and high camera efficiency exists.**
- **Pellet velocity spread  $\sigma_v/v \ll 1\%$  should be possible to obtain**
- A first prototype PTR system for UPTS is in operation since March:
  - Tracking chamber with two levels of pellet detection
  - 2-3 LS-cameras with lasers
- Development of a new readout system in progress.
- Design & preparation of tracking systems with more LS-cameras started.
- Preparing simulations for the design of a full scale system for PANDA.

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