

eTOF MRPC Production Status at Tsinghua University

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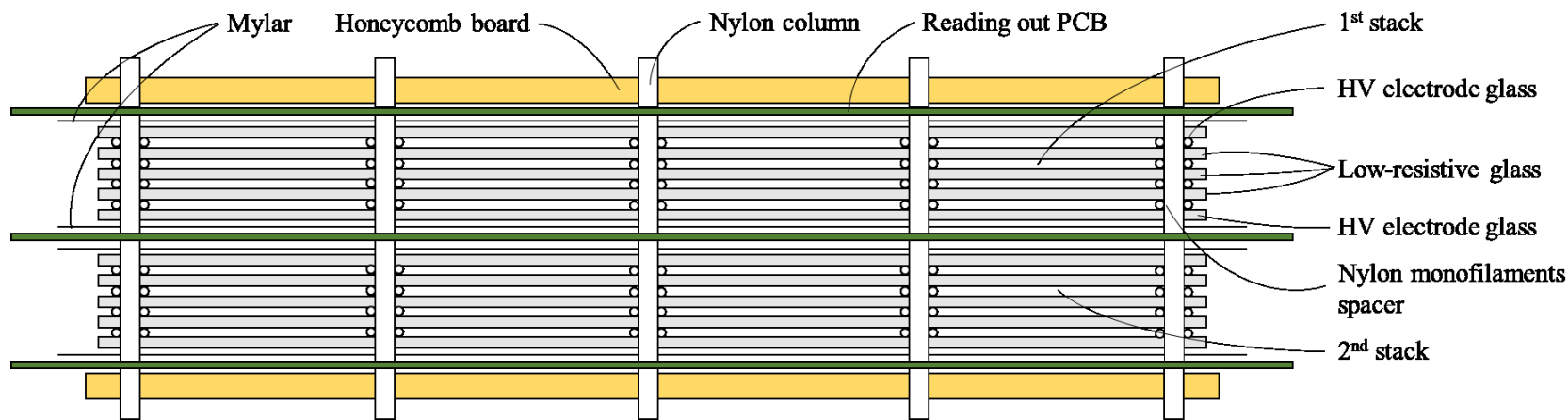
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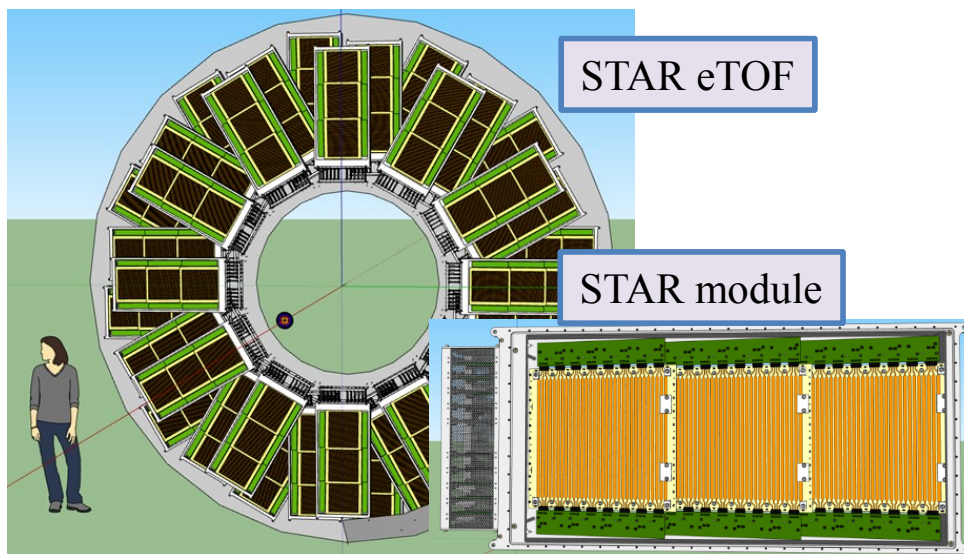
Outline



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The sectional sketch of the double-stack MRPC3a.



Parameter	Value
Dimension	$360 \times 338 \text{ mm}^2$
Height	26 mm
Weight	3.3 kg
Glass dimension	$330 \times 276 \text{ mm}^2$
Gas gap number	2×4
Gas gap width	0.25 mm
Strip pitch	7 + 3 mm
Strip length	270 mm
Strip number	32

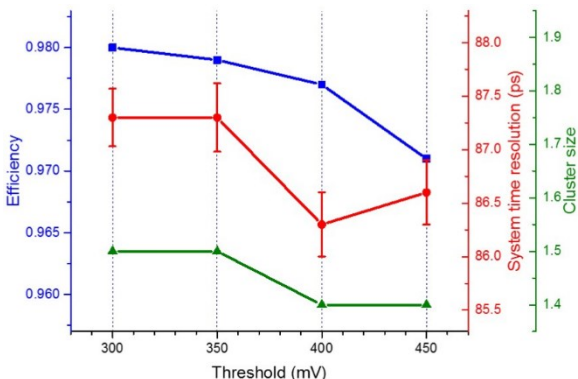
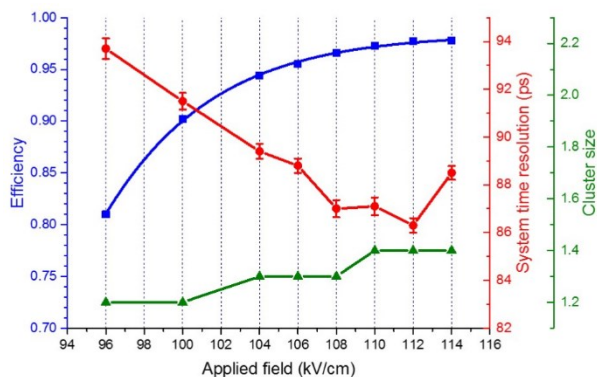


Conceptional Design of MRPC3a

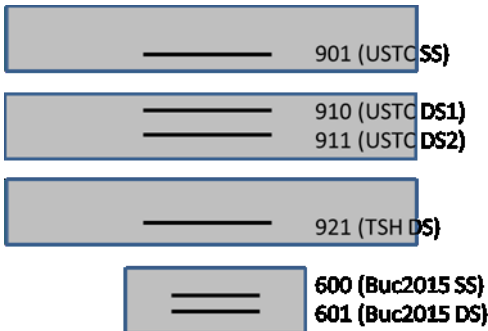


MRPC3a prototype in SPS beamtest (Nov 2015).

30 GeV Pb beam on
1mm/2mm/3mm Pb.
Flux rate up to **10 Hz/cm²**.



MRPC3a prototype in Heidelberg cosmic test.



	Run 33			Run 34		
	Req2	Req 3	R2 s7	Req2	Req 3	
901	53 ps	55 ps	44 ps	48 ps	52 ps	
601	60 ps	62 ps	62 ps	54 ps	51 ps	
600	60 ps	60 ps	55 ps	53 ps	49 ps	
921	80 ps	66 ps	62 ps	59 ps	57 ps	
911	73 ps	67 ps	63 ps	68 ps	70 ps	
910	57 ps	53 ps	58 ps	59 ps	68 ps	

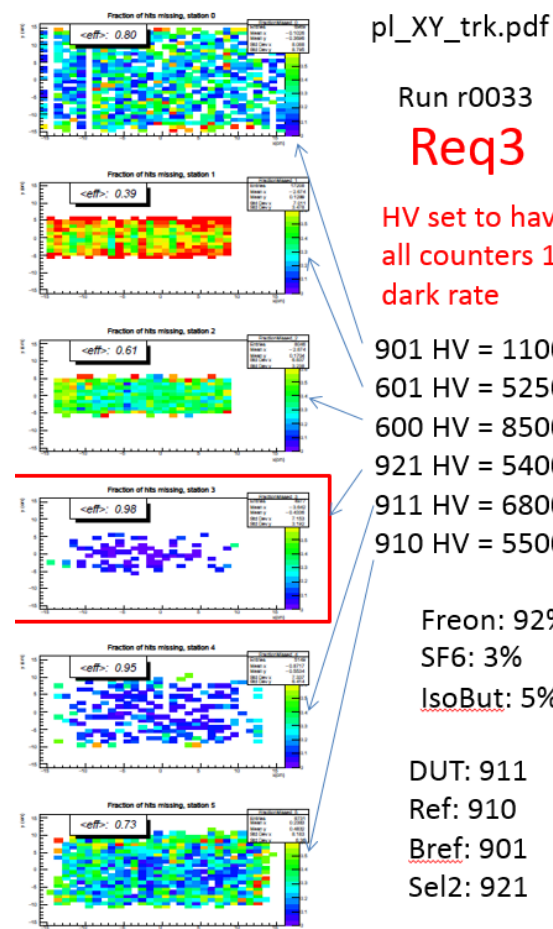
Performance in HV and threshold scan:

Time resolution: ~ 60 ps

Efficiency: > 98%

Cluster size: ~ 1.5

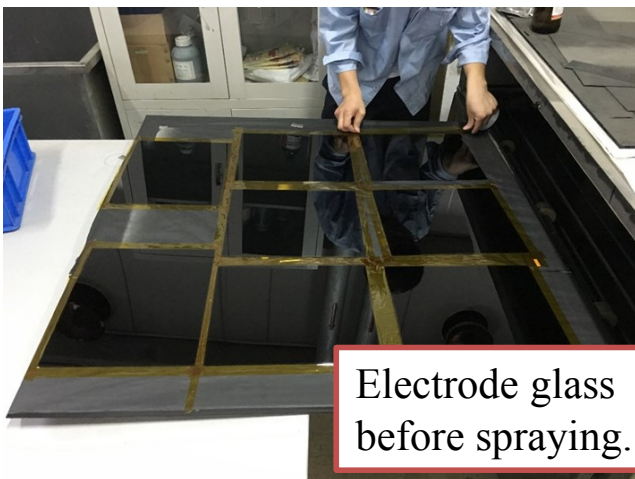
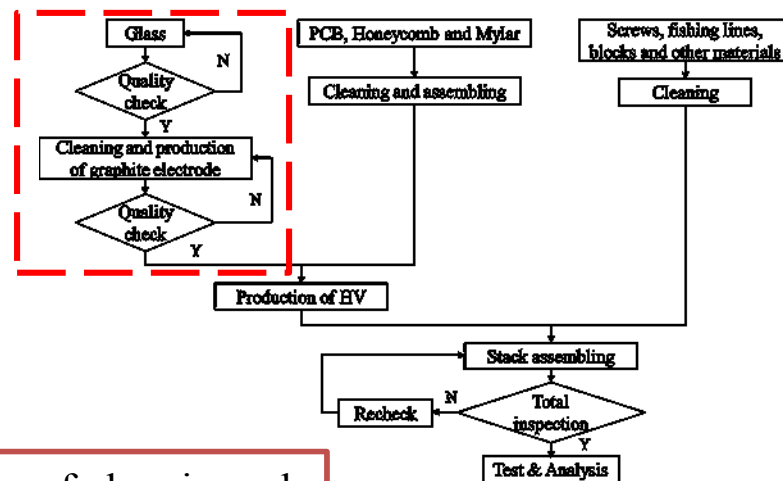
From Ingo's talk on July 5th



Quality check of **glass** & electrode production.



Every piece of glass in each batch has been inspected.

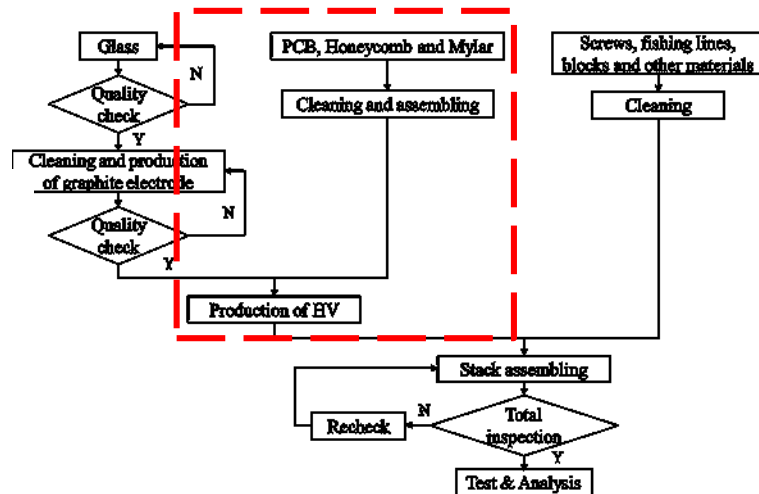
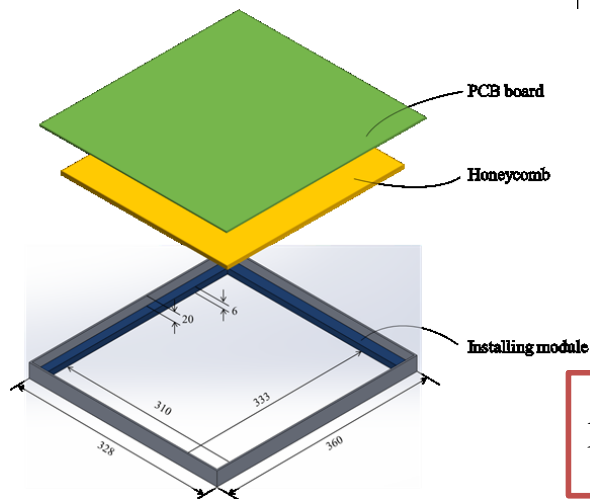
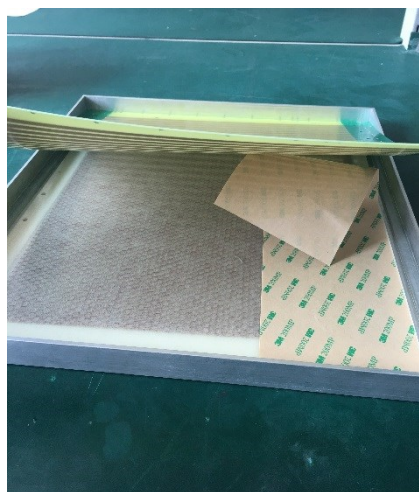


Electrode glass before spraying.

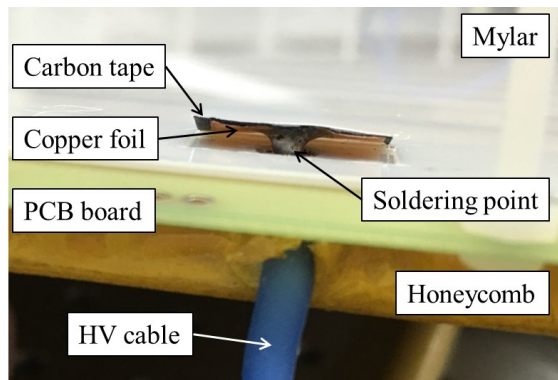


Sprayed electrode.
3 mm space on edge
is for getting rid of
edge effect.

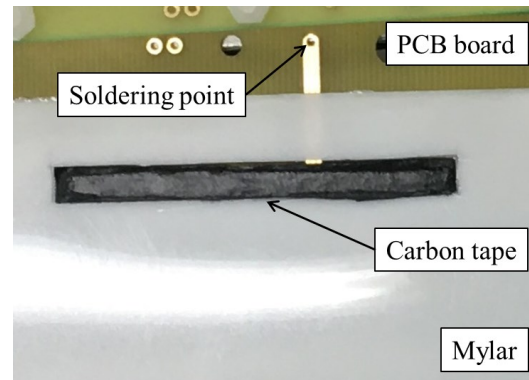
Assembling PCB board & HV production.



An installing module can fix the PCB board and honeycomb together exactly.

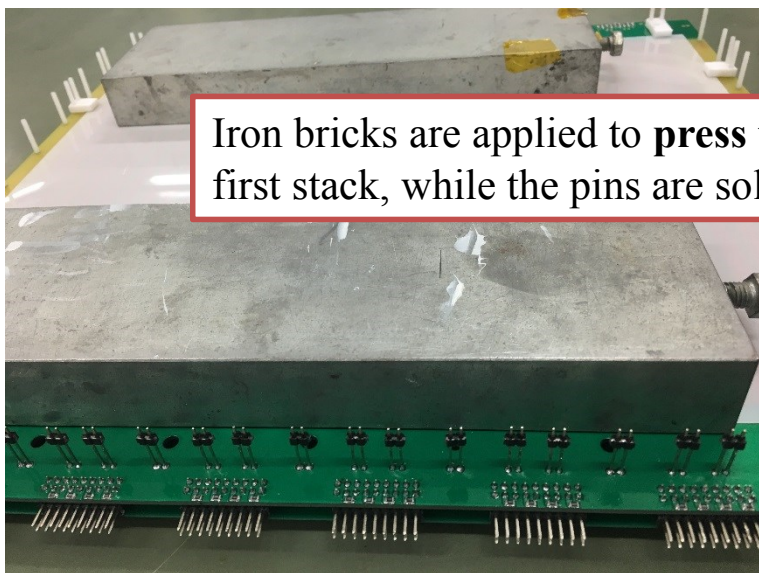


HV connection to top & bottom board. This is to avoid discharge between HV & the nearest strip.

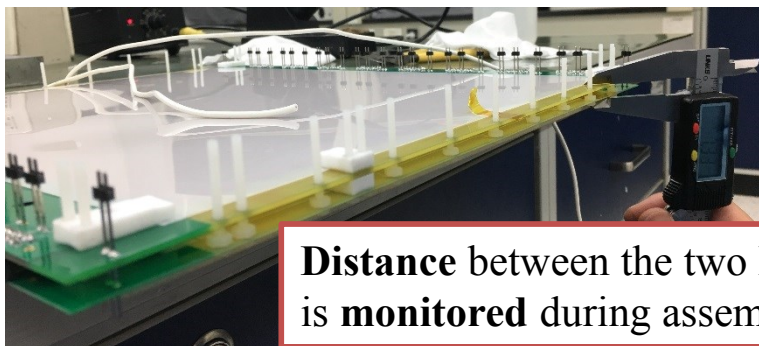


HV connection to middle board.

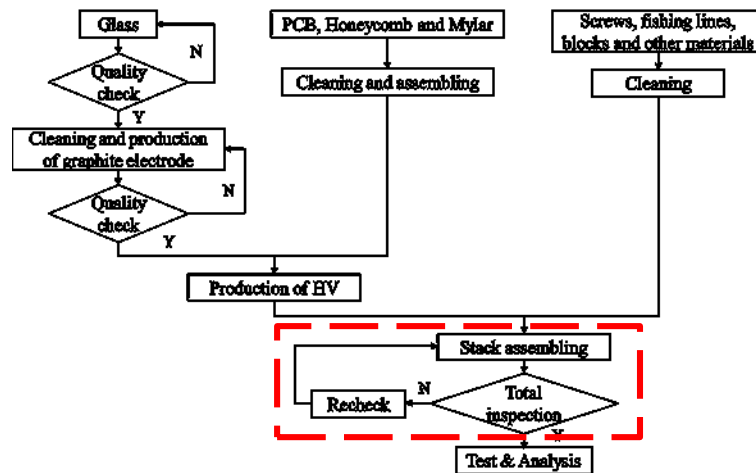
Stack assembling procedure.



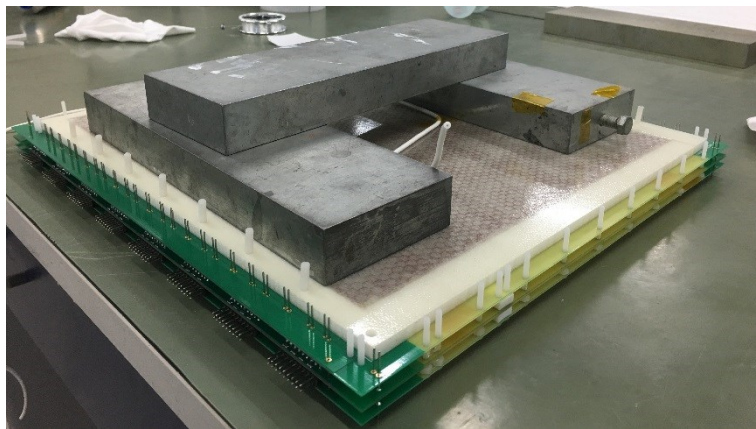
Iron bricks are applied to **press** the first stack, while the pins are soldered.



Distance between the two PCBs is **monitored** during assembling.



The same procedure is repeated when assembling the second stack.





Quality Assurance Results



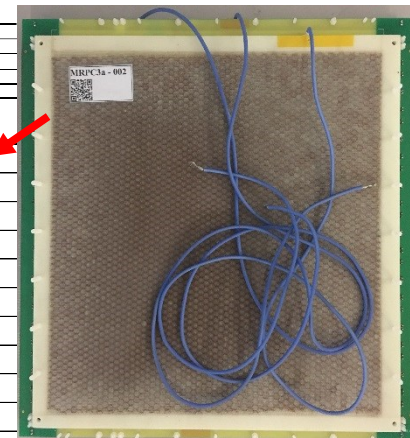
Quality assurance of each type of materials and the assembling procedure is recorded.

MRPC生产记录表 / MRPC3a Quality Assurance Table												
MRPC ID	MRPC3a - 005											
玻璃 / Glass	来自箱号与批次 / Glass Batch No.		NO.9 151225		用料数量/Amount		6					
	来自箱号与批次 / Glass Batch No.		NO.11 151225		用料数量/Amount		4					
	来自箱号与批次 / Glass Batch No.				用料数量/Amount							
电极玻璃 / Electrode	面电阻 / Surface Resistance (MΩ/sq)		Point 1		Point 2		Point 3		Point 4		Point 5	
	电极玻璃1 / Electrode 1		8		2		3		7		7	
	电极玻璃2 / Electrode 2		3		3		4		3		3	
	电极玻璃3 / Electrode 3		5		8		5		8		5	
	电极玻璃4 / Electrode 4		8		4		3		5		5	
蜂窝板 / Honeycomb	√											
PCB上下板 / Top & Bottom PCB	√											
PCB中间板 / Middle PCB	焊接保护电阻 / Protection Resistor		外侧64路信号与地之间电阻是否均为100kΩ / Resistance Measured on Outside Resistor			√		问题数量 / Unqualified		0		
			内侧64路信号与地之间电阻是否均为200kΩ / Resistance Measured on Inside Resistor			√		问题数量 / Unqualified		0		
	焊接双排插针 / Connector		16个插座与电路板的厚度是否均<6.7mm / Thickness of the connectors			√		问题数量 / Unqualified		0		
Mylar膜 / Mylar	√											
PCB上下板高压 / Top & Bottom HV	√											
PCB中间板高压 / Middle HV	√											
鱼线 / Spacer	√											
厚度 / Thickness	Point 1	Point 2	Point 3	Point 4	Point 5	Point 6	Point 7	Point 8				
上下PCB / Between Top & Bottom PCB	11.44	11.47	11.44	11.41	11.57	11.45	11.59	11.52				
上中PCB / Between Top & Middle PCB	4.61	4.77	4.67	4.76	4.66	4.79	4.72	4.77				
下中PCB // Between Bottom & Middle PCB	4.63	5.03	5.02	4.87	4.96	4.84	4.84	4.74				
总厚度 / Total Thickness	25.98	25.92	26.11	26.12	26.03	26.13	26.15	26.05				
组装人员签字 / Signature	杨泽林											
日期 / Date	08/09/2017											
备注 / Note												

Quality assurance of each type of materials and the assembling procedure is recorded.

Detailed information can be found by scanning the **QR code** on it.

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玻璃 / Glass	来自箱号与批次 / Glass Batch No.
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电极玻璃 / Electrode	面电阻 / Surface Resistance (MΩ/sq)
	电极玻璃1 / Electrode 1
	电极玻璃2 / Electrode 2
	电极玻璃3 / Electrode 3
蜂窝板 / Honeycomb	电极玻璃4 / Electrode 4
PCB上下板 / Top & Bottom PCB	

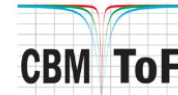


A website is developed to record all the QR information of each produced counter:
http://hepd.ep.tsinghua.edu.cn/CBM_TOF/

PCB上下板高压 / Top & Bottom HV			
PCB中间板高压 / Middle HV			
鱼线 / Spacer			
厚度 / Thickness	Point 1	Point 2	Point 3
上下PCB / Between Top & Bottom PCB	11.44	11.47	11.44
上中PCB / Between Top & Middle PCB	4.61	4.77	4.67
下中PCB // Between Bottom & Middle PCB	4.63	5.03	5.02
总厚度 / Total Thickness	25.98	25.92	26.11
组装人员签字 / Signature			
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Development of MRPC
for CBM-TOF



Introduction
Material
Module Test
Other Stuff

List of Tsinghua MRPC modules #001 - #040

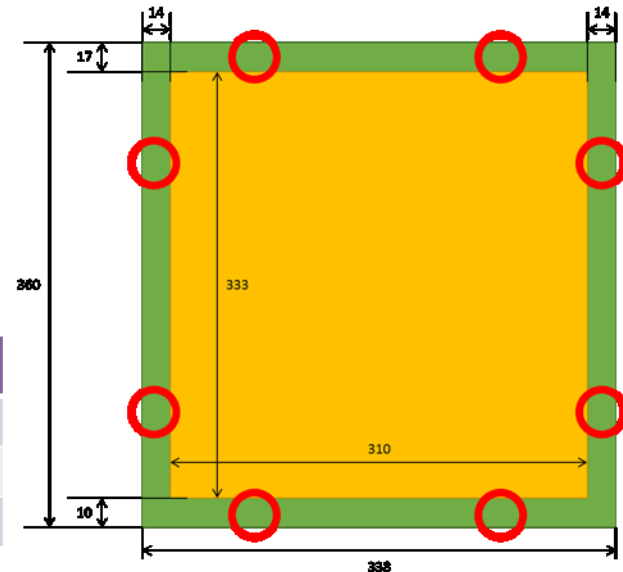
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#011	#012	#013	#014	#015
#016	#017	#018	#019	#020
#021	#022	#023	#024	#025
#026	#027	#028	#029	#030
#031	#032	#033	#034	#035
#036	#037	#038	#039	#040

Quality Assurance Results

Thickness uniformity between each PCB has been measured at **8 points** around the assemble counter.

The requirement is the thickness of two adjacent PCBs should be within **± 0.2 mm** of the nominal value.

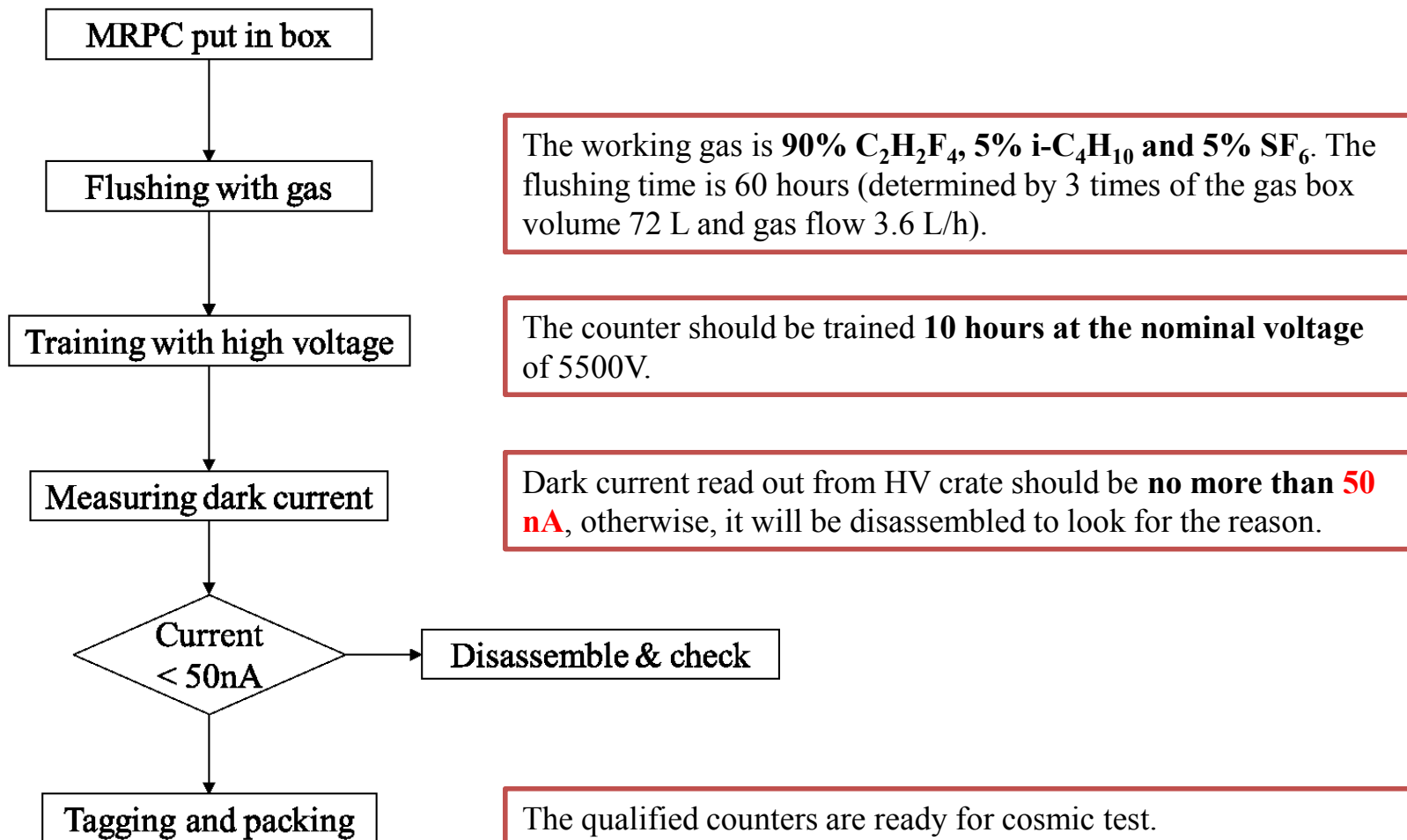
Measurement	Nominal/mm	Minimum/mm	Maximum/mm
Thickness between bottom and middle PCB (h1)	5.1	4.9	5.3
Thickness between top and middle PCB (h2)	5.1	4.9	5.3
Thickness between bottom and top PCB (h3)	11.8	11.5	12.1



MRPC3a-001	h1	4.89	4.94	4.74	4.79	4.65	4.81	4.87	4.95	4.83 (mean)
	h2	4.82	4.82	4.87	4.86	4.83	5.13	5.16	5.15	4.96 (mean)
	h3	11.65	11.62	11.48	11.53	11.27	11.43	11.43	11.52	11.49 (mean)
MRPC3a-002	h1	4.86	4.92	5.18	4.81	4.94	4.74	4.86	5.18	4.94 (mean)
	h3	4.9	5.03	5.03	4.64	5.23	5.08	4.73	4.86	4.94 (mean)
	h3	11.7	11.61	11.63	11.7	11.7	11.88	11.62	11.86	11.71 (mean)
MRPC3a-003	h1	5.05	5.06	5.25	4.96	5.12	5.03	5.09	5.04	5.08 (mean)
	h2	5.07	4.99	5.02	4.92	5.1	4.79	5.15	5.03	5.03 (mean)
	h3	11.75	11.64	11.63	11.82	11.68	11.63	11.74	11.69	11.69 (mean)

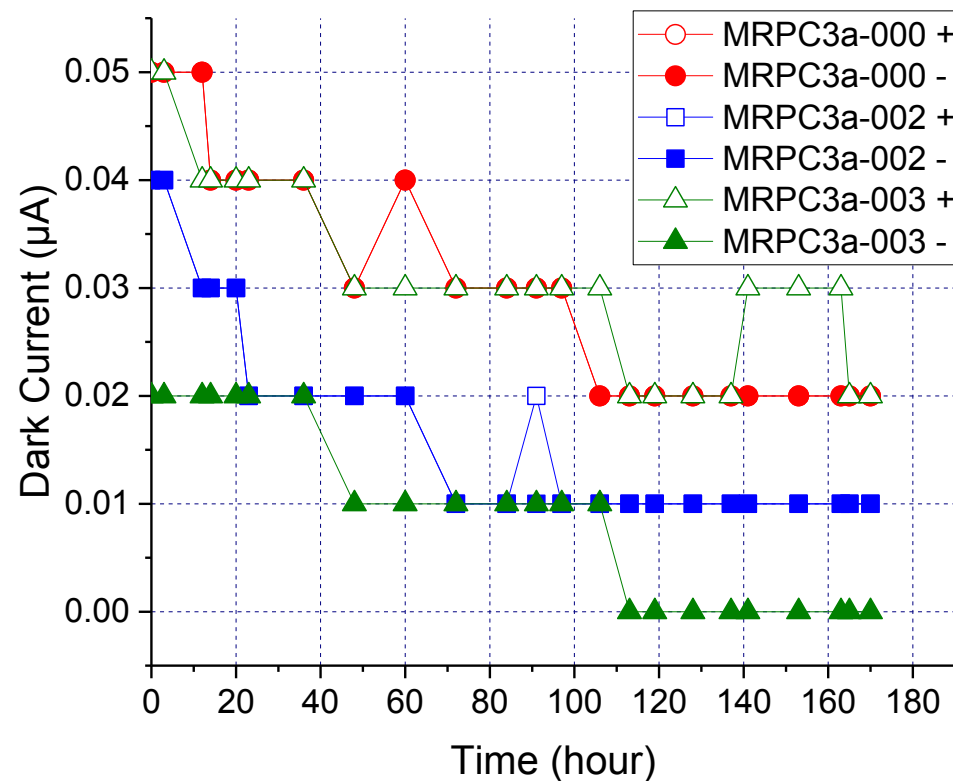
The distance measured at the edge is not absolutely equal to the thickness in glass & gap region, but it could be a reference.

All the MRPC3a counters should be tested with HV.

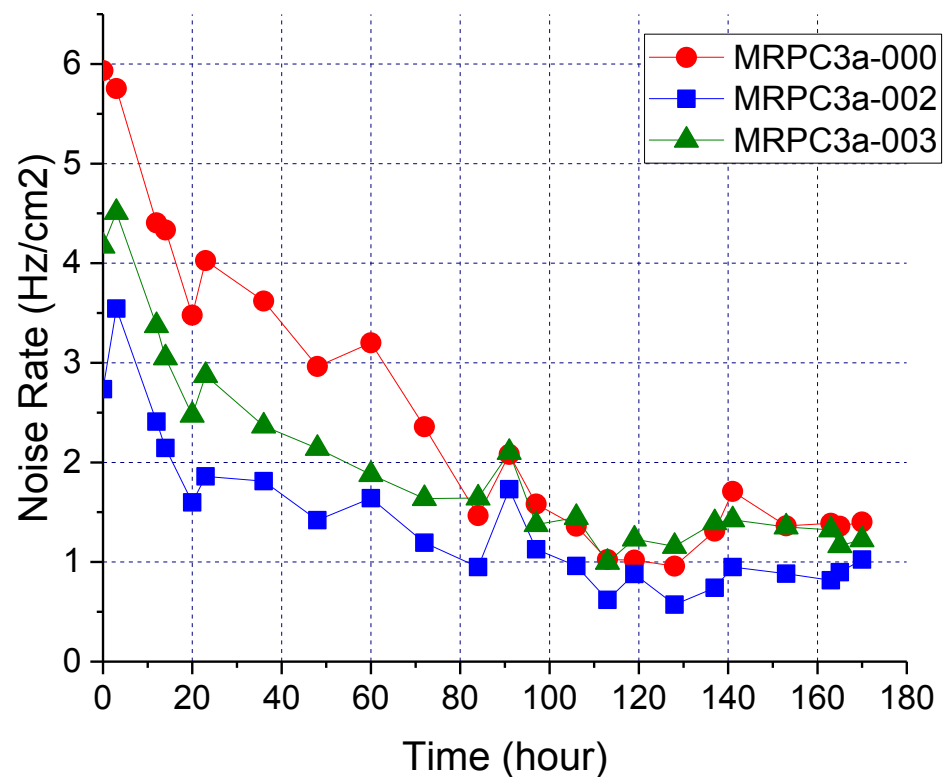


After 10 hours' HV training, the counter is set to 5600 V, and the PADI's threshold 300 mV.

Dark current and **noise rate** monitored in 170 hours since the MRPCs are trained.

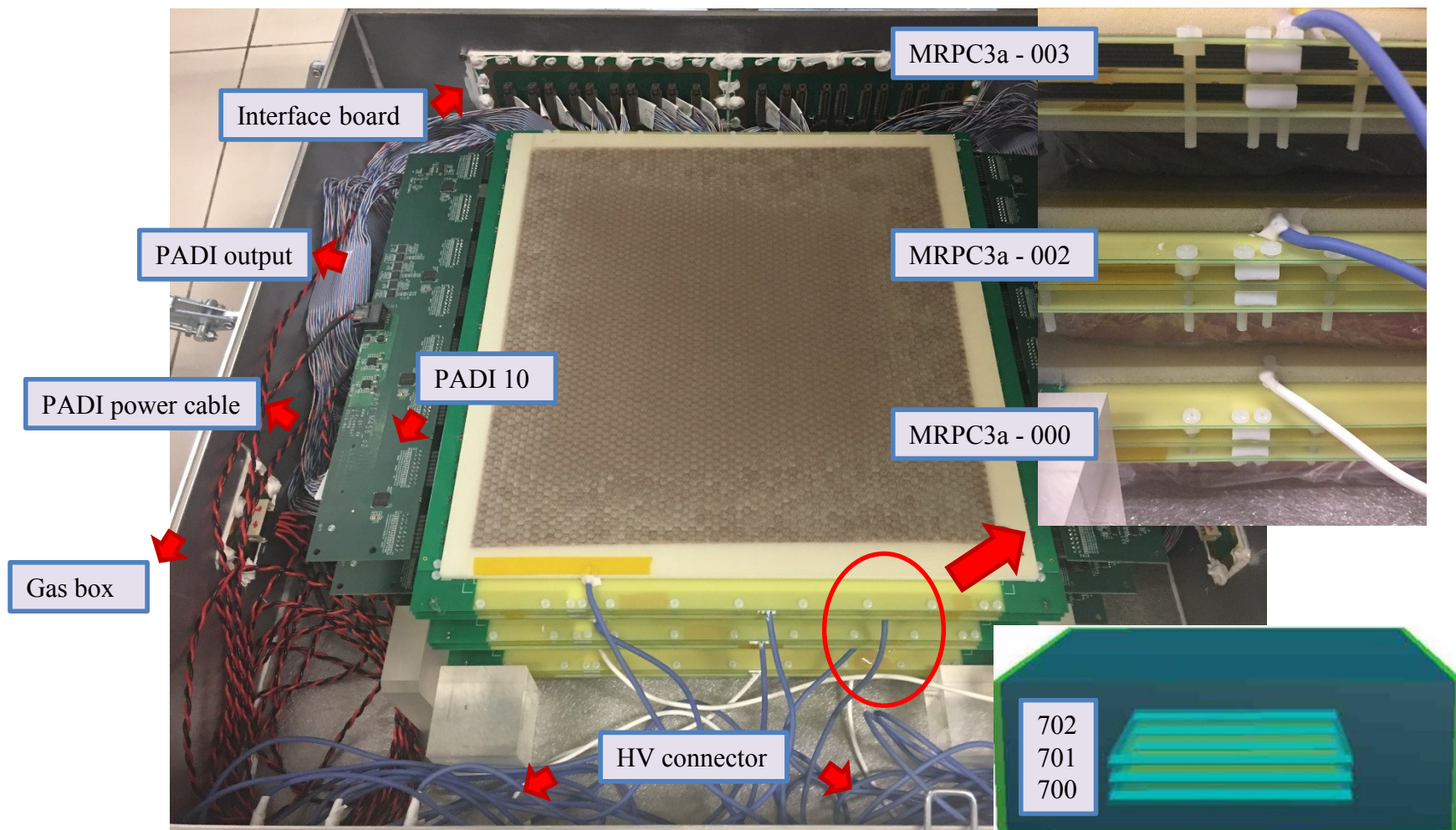


Dark current < 50 nA ✓



Noise rate around 1 Hz/cm²

MRPC setup in the gas box.



TRB system setup.

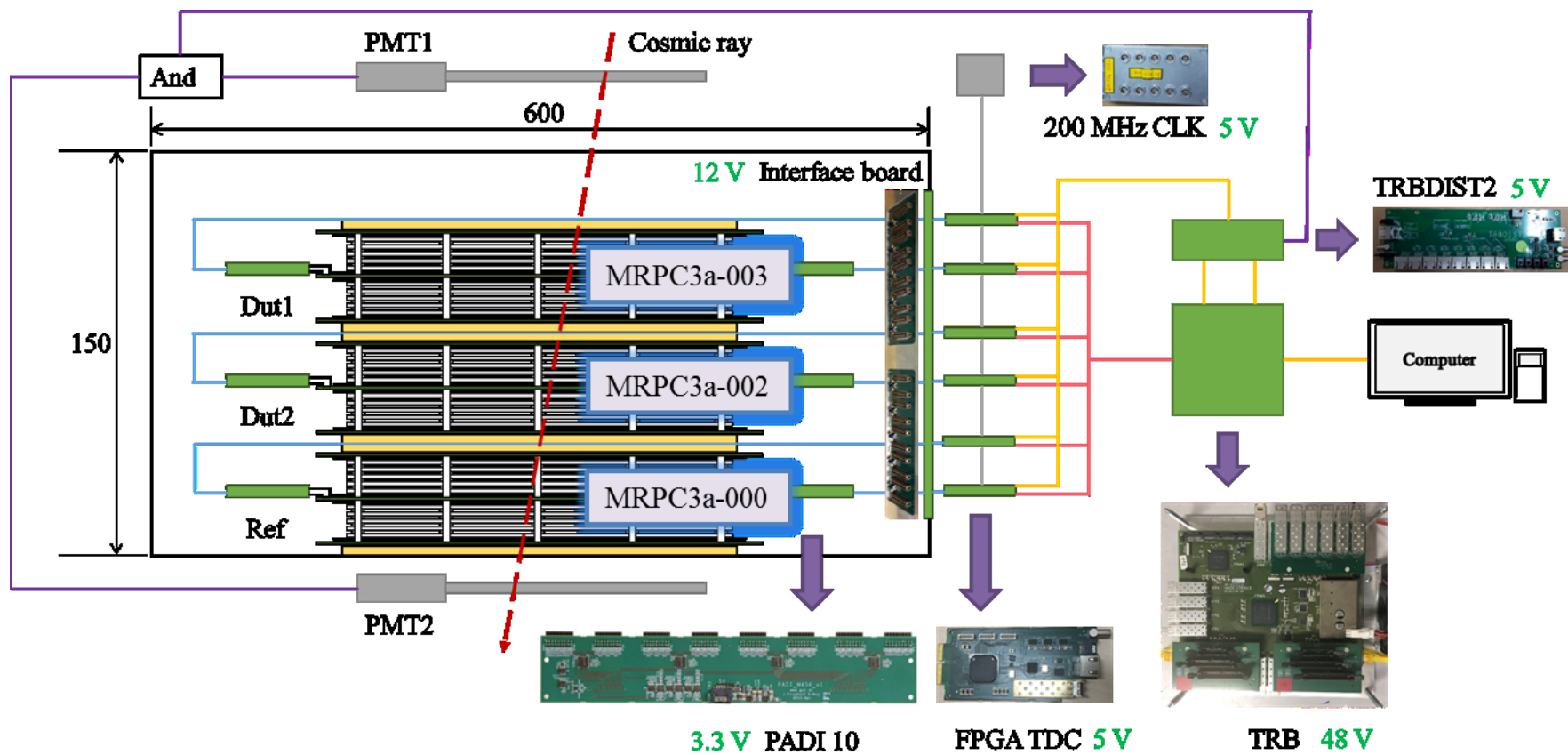
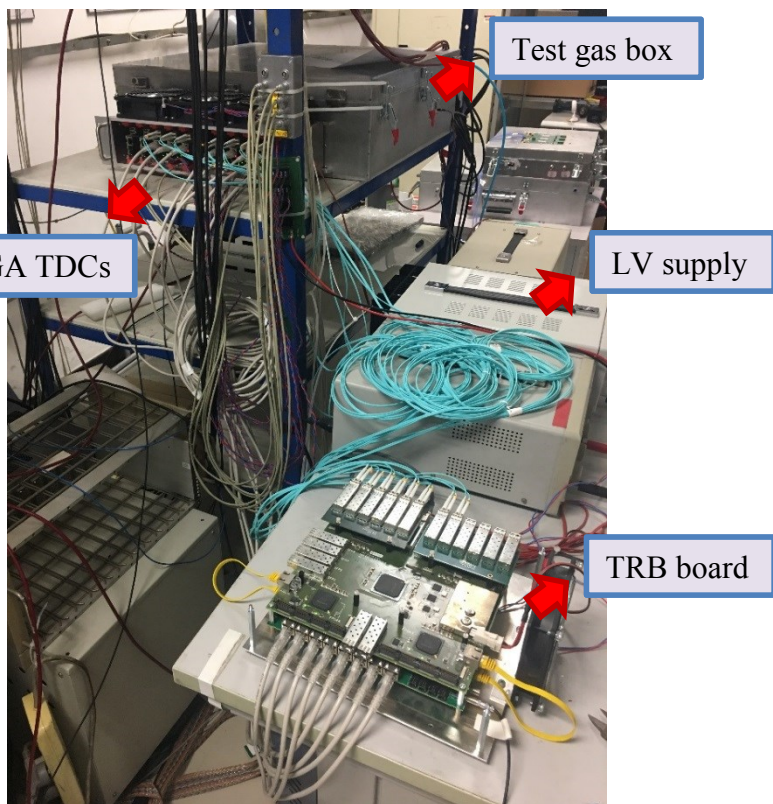


Photo of the TRB system setup with MRPC3a test gas box.



Reg	Channel	0901				0902				0903				0904				0905				0906			
	Channel group	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0
c000	0	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on
c001	1	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off
c002	2	8686933	30942458	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
c003	3	8914753	33581756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
c004	4	102	206	✓	✓	117	189	✓	✓	165	✓	✓	✓	10195934	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
c005	5	221	202	✓	✓	110	136	✓	✓	162	✓	✓	✓	259	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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c007	7	202	91	✓	✓	96	138	✓	✓	181	✓	✓	✓	175	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
c008	8	203	90	✓	✓	95	143	✓	✓	184	✓	✓	✓	177	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
c009	9	96	91	✓	✓	59	81	✓	✓	120	✓	✓	✓	165	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
c00a	10	98	91	✓	✓	59	82	✓	✓	123	✓	✓	✓	162	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
c00b	11	113	169	✓	✓	57	73	✓	✓	145	✓	✓	✓	236	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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c040	64	67	0	✓	✓	258	0	✓	✓	518	✓	✓	✓	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Noisy and dead zones are found at both ends and middle line of each TDC.



Cosmic Test: Calibration & Analysis



Run: 24Aug1829: **Dut: 701; Ref: 702; Sel2/BRef: 700.**

Calibration mode: **701702700.**

HV: ± 5600 V; Threshold: -300 mV; Gas: 90% Freon + 5% C₄H₁₀ + 5% SF₆

Analysis strategy:

Unpacking

{
create_calib.C (1000000,"CbmTofThu_24Aug1829")
apply_calib.C (1000000,"CbmTofThu_24Aug1829")

Calibration

calib_runs_batch.sh 24Aug1829
701702700 700

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init_calib_digi.sh
iter_calib_digi.sh
gen_calib_digi.sh

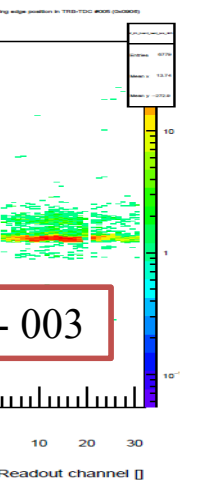
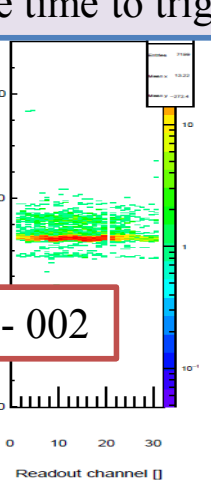
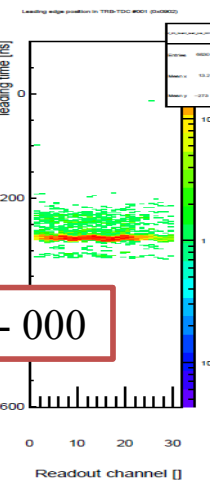
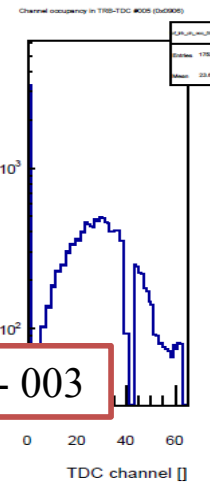
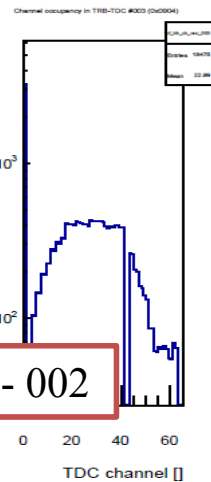
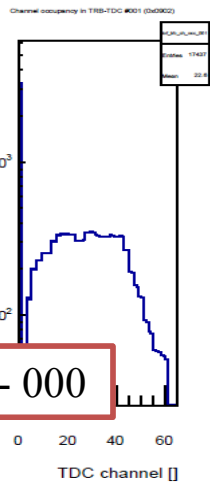
Analysis

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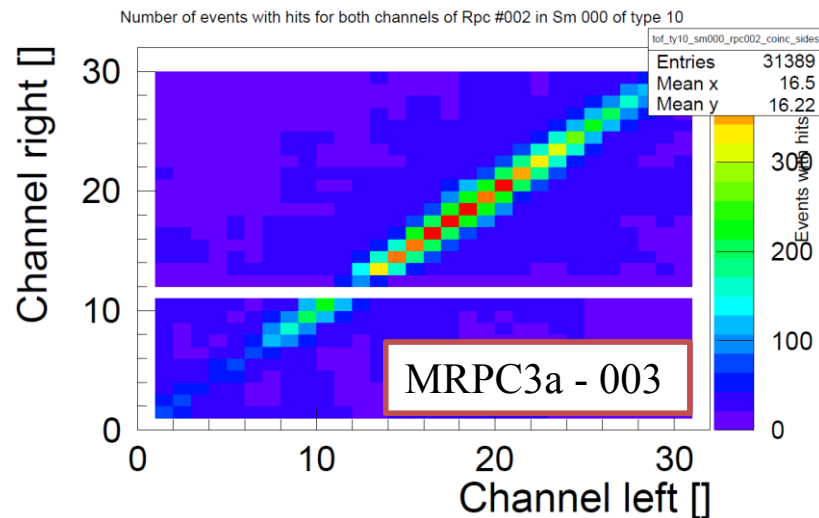
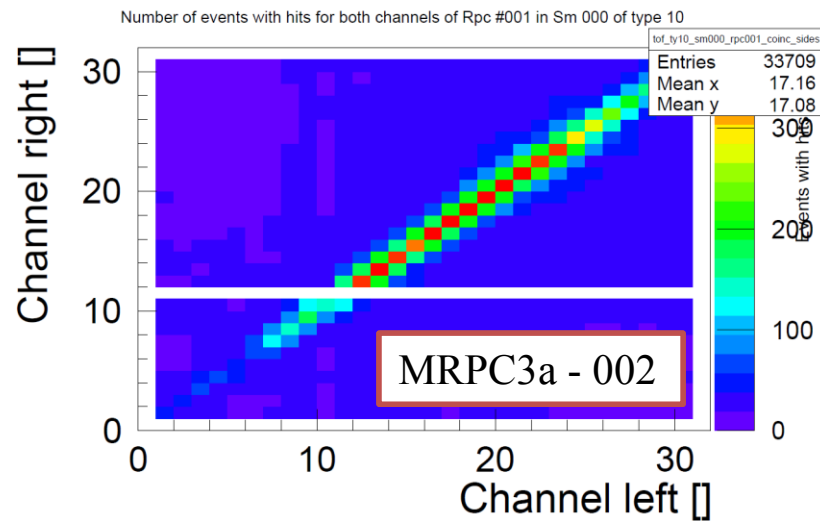
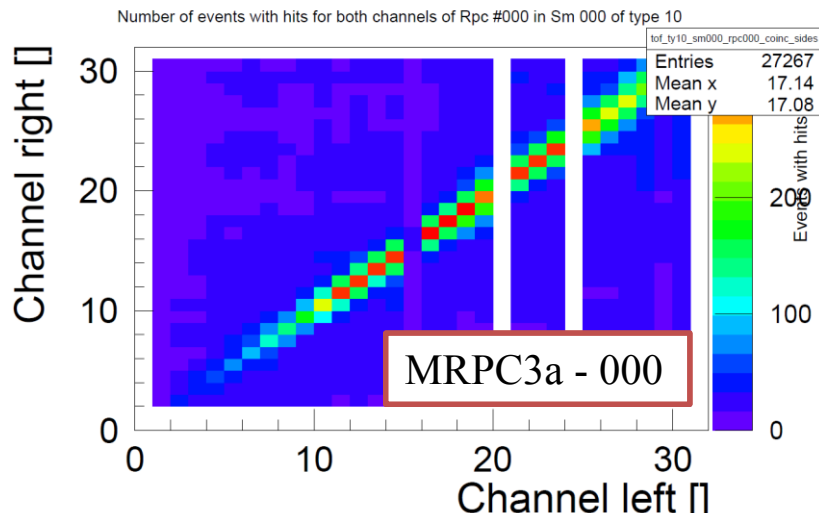
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TDC channel occupancy



Unpacking:

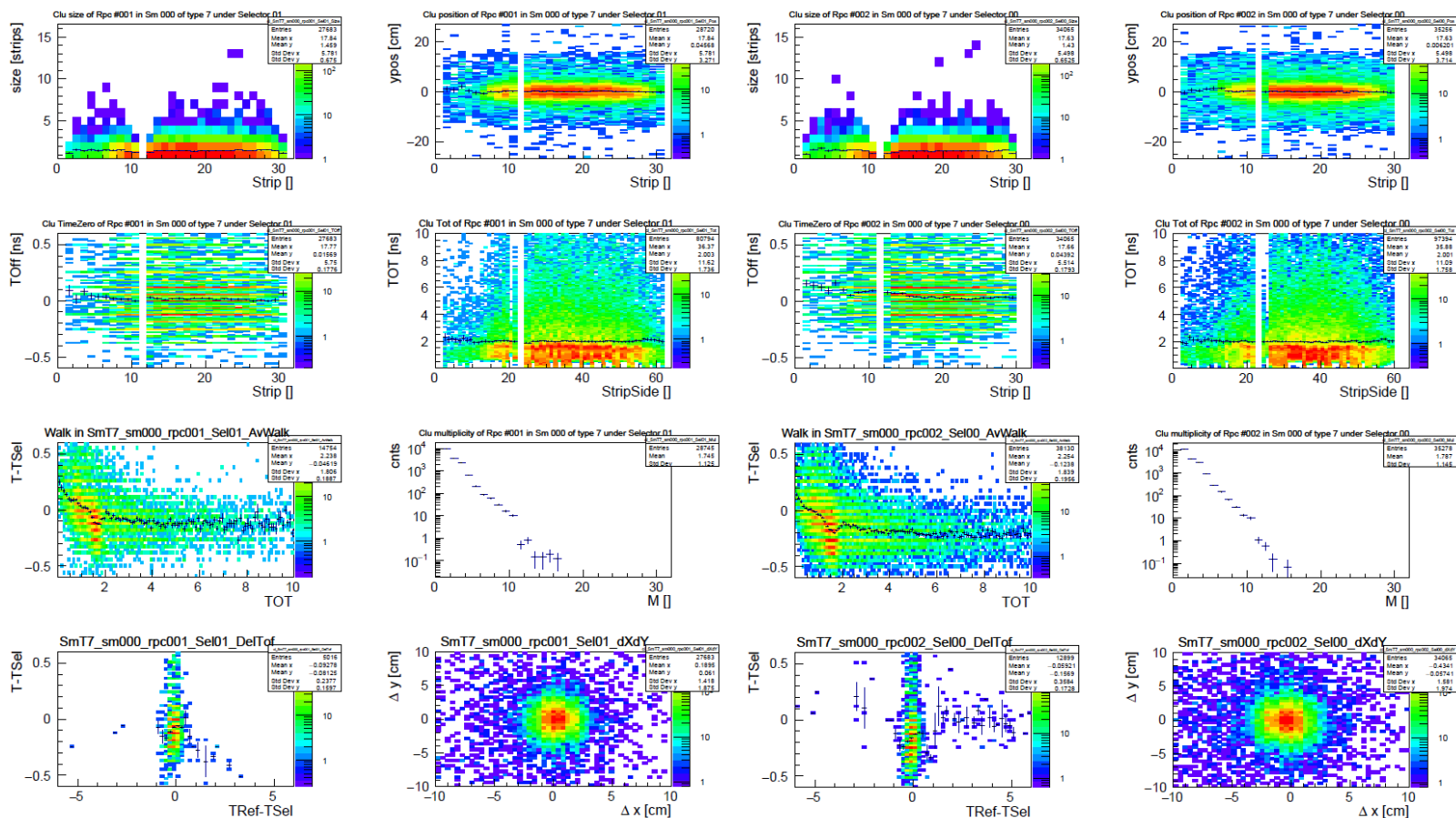


Matching of left and right side of each MRPC. It can prove the mapping file we prepare is correct.

Calibration: **Dut: 701; Ref: 702; Sel2/BRef: 700**

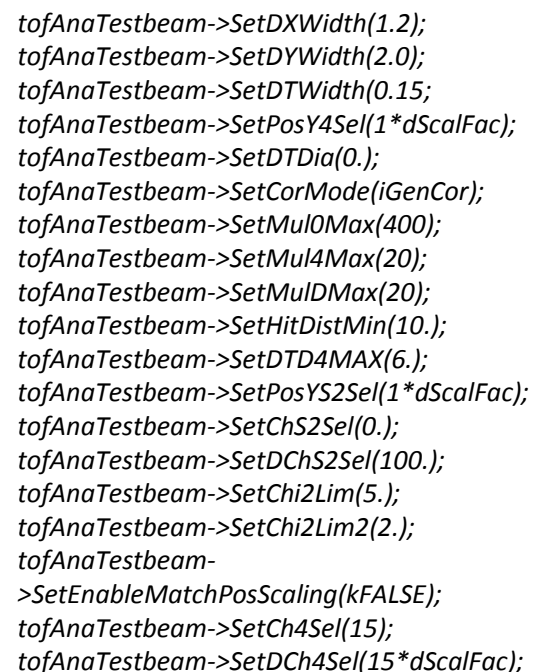
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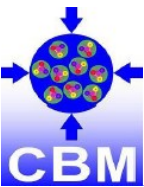
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pl_over_Mat04D4best



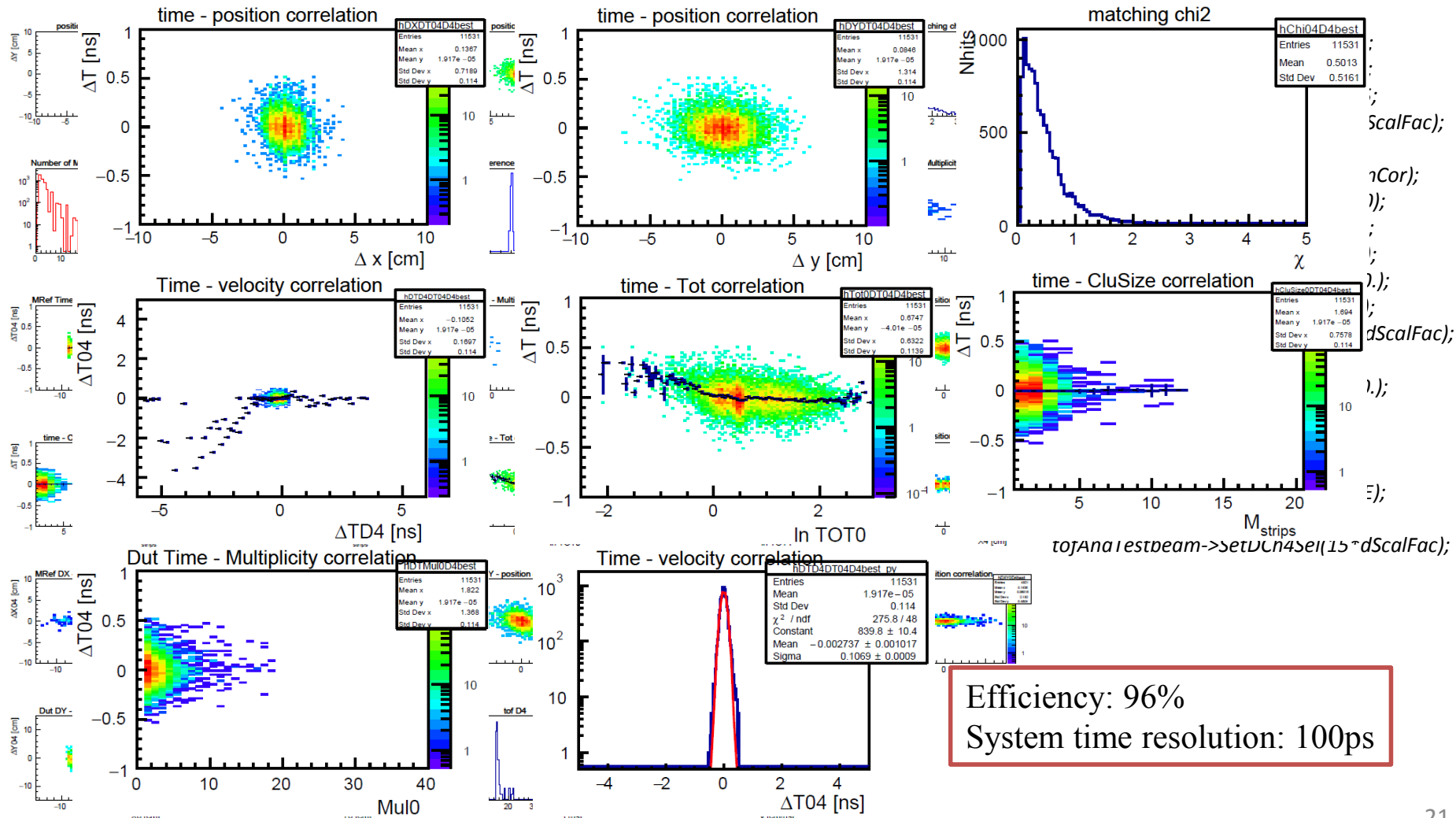


Cosmic Test: Calibration & Analysis



Analysis: Dut: 701; Ref: 702; Sel2/BRef: 700

pl_over_Mat04D4best



The 3 MRPCs are supposed to have the same performance. However, their behaviors are not consistent under **different calibration mode**.

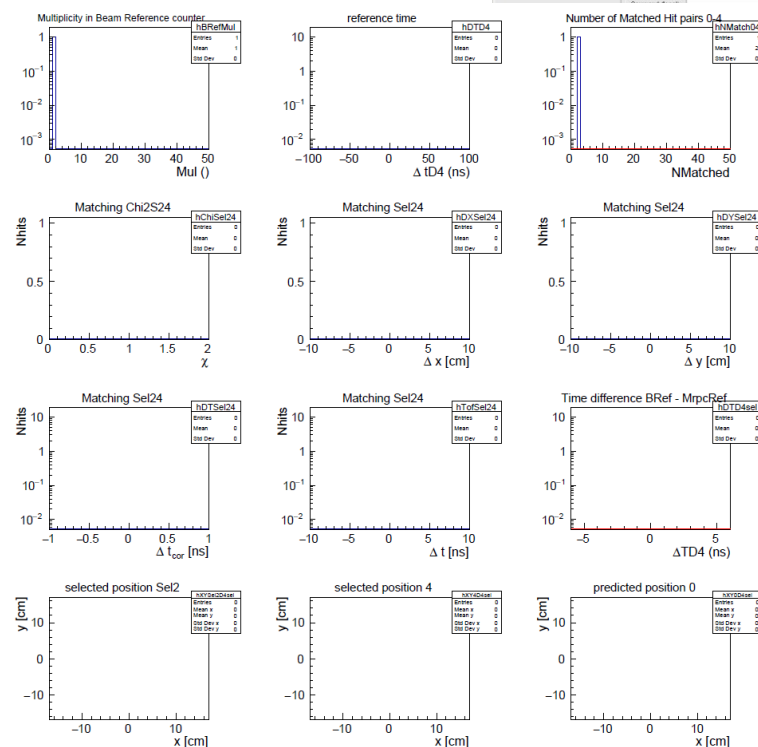
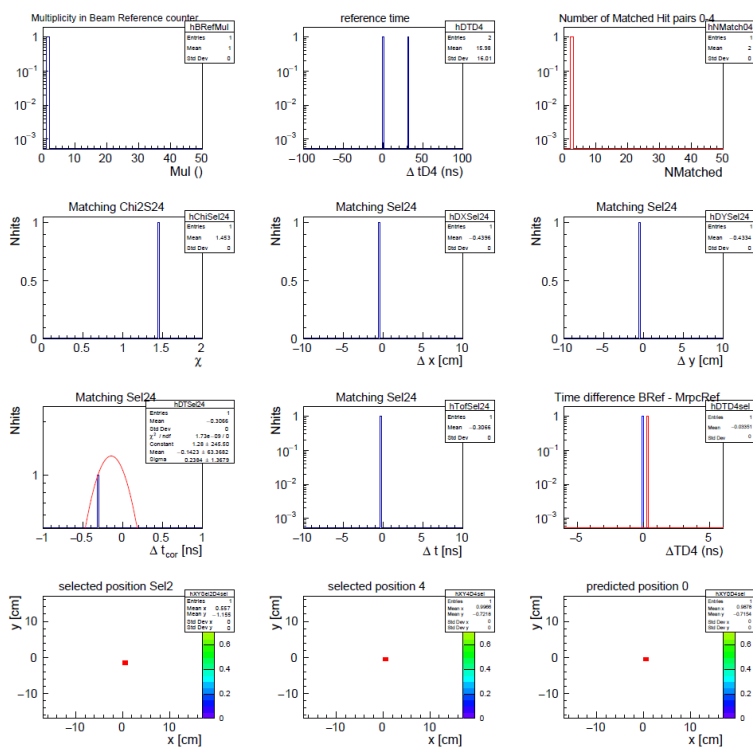
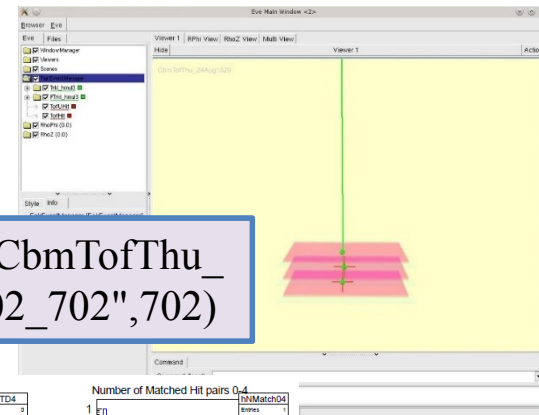
Dut	Ref	BRef/ Sel2	Eff	Time Resolution/ps	Clustersize Dut	Clustersize Ref	Event number	Calibration mode
700	701	702	98.4%	35.7	1.5	1.7	14414	700701702
700	702	701	97.6%	35.5	1.6	1.7	15320	700702701
701	700	702	94.5%	153.1	2.2	1.5	973	701700702
701	702	700	96.3%	106.9	1.7	1.6	11976	701702700
702	700	701	84.0%	153.8	2.0	1.6	1336	702700701
702	701	700	92.3%	127.4	1.6	1.7	15078	702701700

When 700 is Dut, unreasonably good time resolution is got. When 700 is Ref, we lost most of the entries, and the performance deteriorates.



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dis_hits.C(1,700701,1,"CbmTofThu_
24Aug1829","700701702 702",702)
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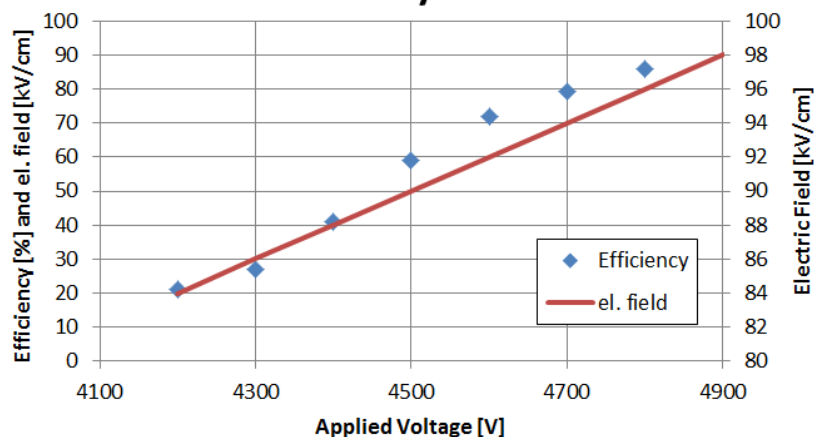
Cosmic Test: Non SF₆ Test



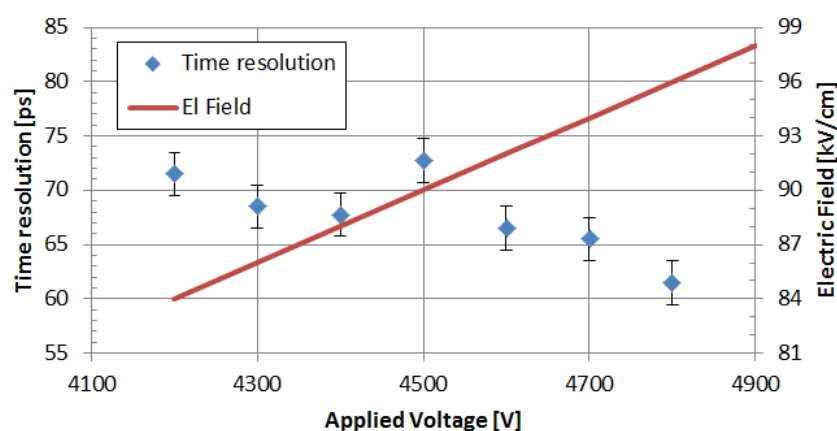
MRPC3a is required to work with **non-SF₆ gas mixture** at STAR.

From Ingo's talk

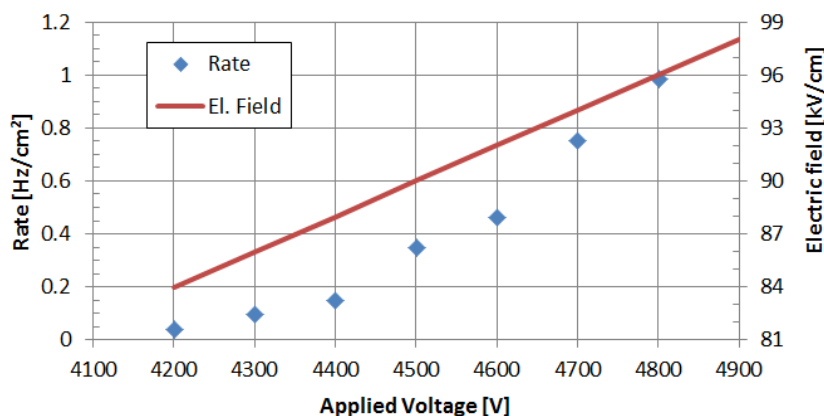
Efficiency of 921



Time resolution of 921



Dark rate of 921

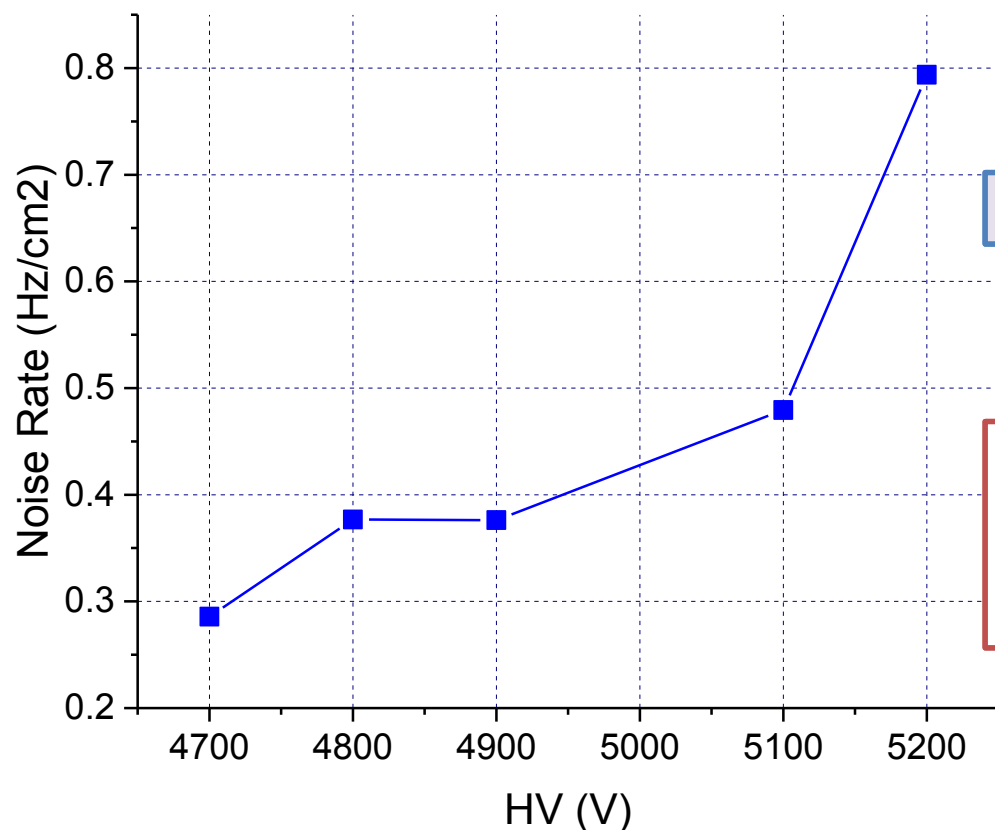


In Heidelberg's test, MRPC3a composed of low-resistive glass reaches 86% efficiency at 4800V without SF₆. Because of lower electric field, the time resolution worsens.

Cosmic Test: Non SF₆ Test

Similar non SF₆ test is repeated in Tsinghua.
Threshold: -300 mV; Gas: **95% Freon + 5% C₄H₁₀**.

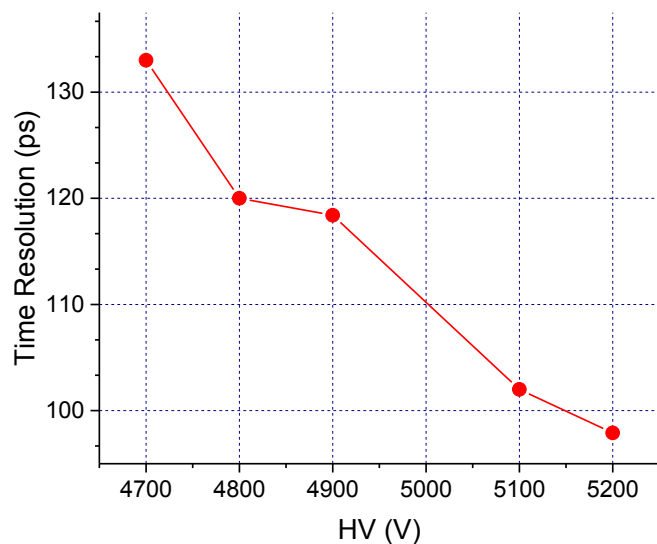
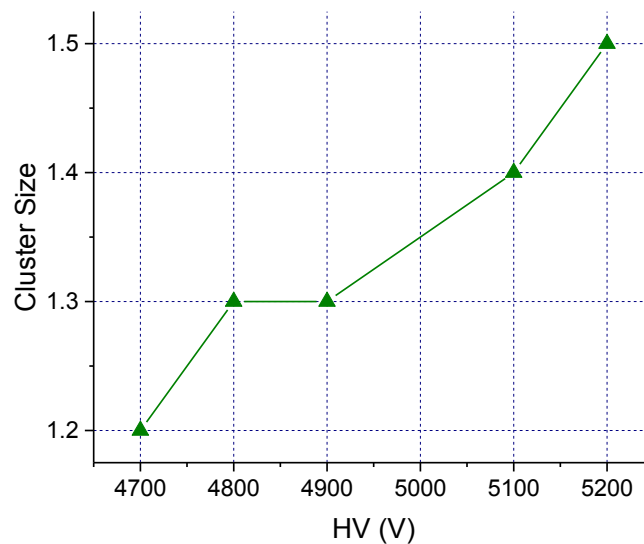
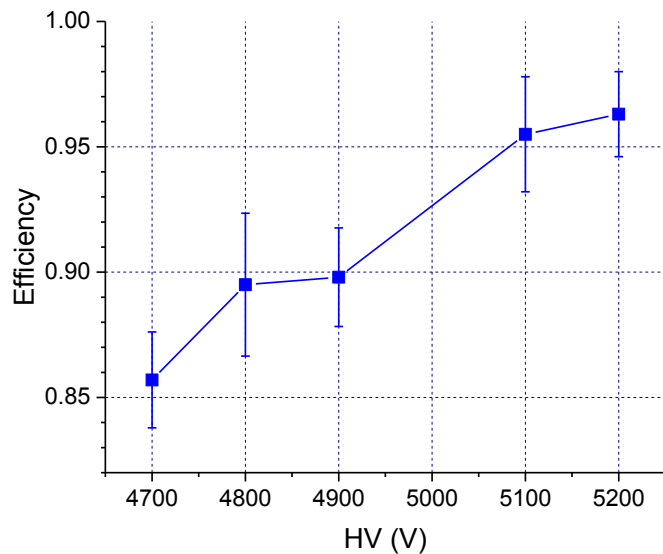
The dark current of 701 (MRPC3a - 002) always stays at **+0.01 μ A / -0.01 μ A** with HV increasing.



Noise rate of 701 (MRPC3a - 002)

The noise rate should be at same level to reach the same efficiency.
So HV is increased to 5200 V to reach the nominal point.

Cosmic Test: Non SF₆ Test



Dut: 701; Ref: 702; Sel2/BRef: 700.
Calibration mode: 701702700.

The working point without SF₆ is 400V below that with SF₆, with an efficiency of 96%, system time resolution below 100 ps and 1.5 clustersize.

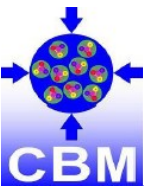
Time line for the mass production of MRPC3a.

2017	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
R&D												
Materials												
1 st batch production (6 pieces)						1 st	1 st	1 st				
2 nd batch production (34 pieces)									2 nd	2 nd	2 nd	
Quality assurance						1 st	1 st	1 st	2 nd	2 nd	2 nd	
HV & Cosmic test						1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st	2 nd	2 nd	
Shipment									1 st		2 nd	2 nd



40 MRPC3a detectors will be shipped to Heidelberg in August 2017, by a conservative estimation according to the table of time line.

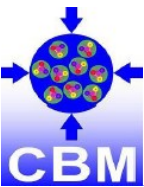
3 counters among the 6 are already packed and shipped to Heidelberg.



Summary



- The mass production of MRPC3a counters has begun, and the first batch 6 counters are produced.
- All these counters meet the quality assurance requirement.
- Three counters (00, 02, 03) have been tested at nominal voltage with dark current around 10 nA and noise rate around 1 Hz/cm².
- TRB system was established in Tsinghua lab. Data acquired from cosmic looks promising, but we are still debugging on the analysis.
- MRPC3a counter is capable to keep the performance without SF₆.
- All 40 MRPC3a counters are expected to be ready and shipped to Heidelberg by the end of December this year.



Thank You!

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- Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
- September 23rd, 2017
- CBM-STAR Day,
30th CBM Collaboration Meeting



Backup

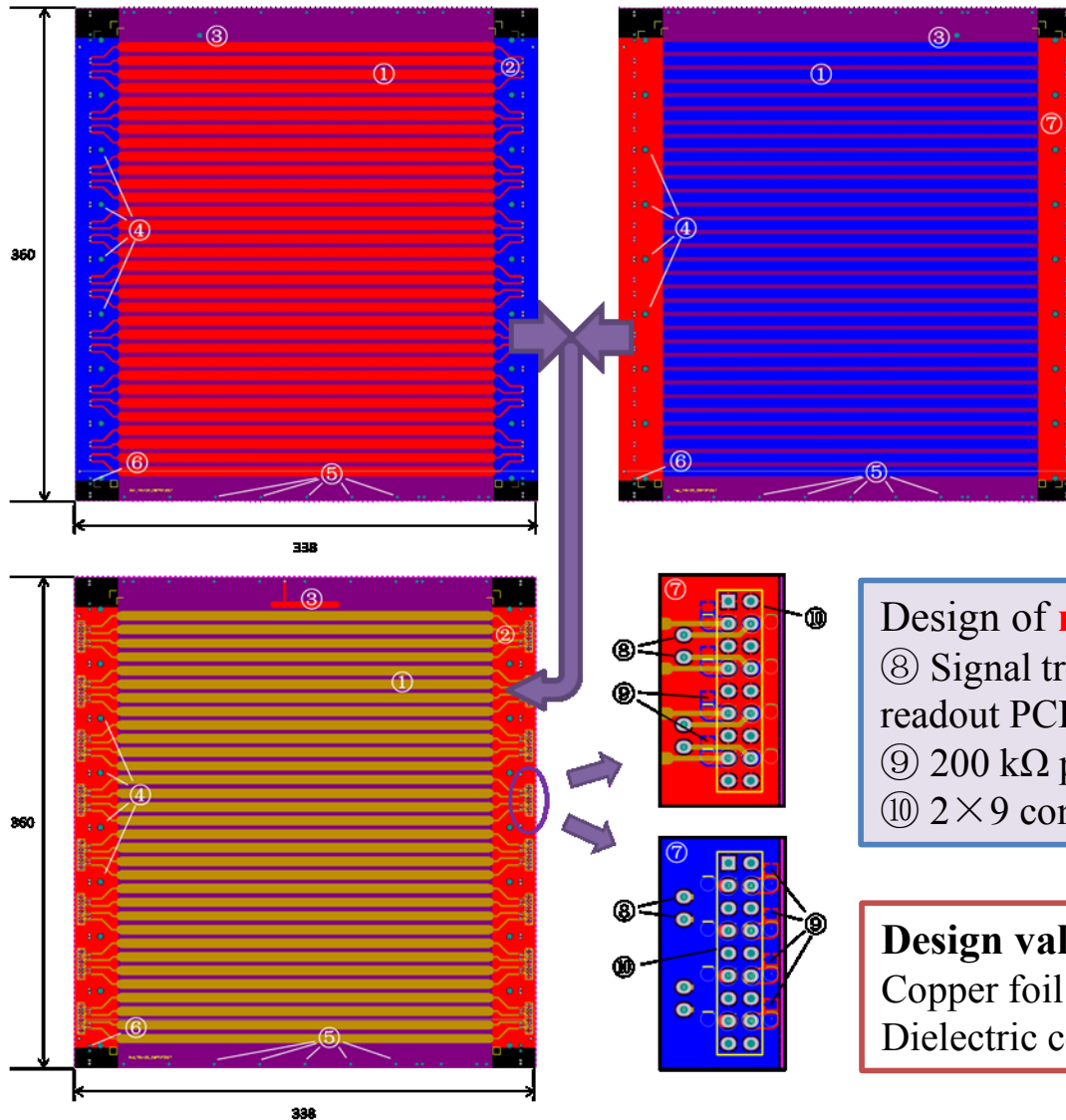


Materials for one MRPC3a counter



Material	Length/mm	Width(Diameter)/mm	Thickness(Height)/mm	Quantity	Description
Low-resistive glass	330 ± 0.2	276 ± 0.2	0.7 ± 0.02	10	$\sim 2 \times 10^{10} \Omega\text{cm}$
HV graphite spray	324 ± 0.5	270 ± 0.5	0.005	4	$< 10 \text{ M}\Omega/\text{sq}$
Top PCB	360 ± 0.2	338 ± 0.2	0.8 ± 0.05	1	
Bottom PCB	360 ± 0.2	338 ± 0.2	0.8 ± 0.05	1	
Middle PCB	360 ± 0.2	328 ± 0.2	1.6 ± 0.05	1	
Protective resistor	/	/	/	128	200 k Ω , 0603
Honeycomb	333 ± 1	310 ± 1	6 ± 0.2	2	
Block A	23 ± 0.2	10 ± 0.2	4 ± 0.05	8	PTFE
Block B	14 ± 0.2	10 ± 0.2	4 ± 0.05	4	PTFE
Mylar	340 ± 0.2	286 ± 0.2	0.25 ± 0.02	8	
HV cable	1000	3	/	3	
Fishing line	26000	0.25 ± 0.005	/	/	
M2.5 screw (nut)	40	2.5	/	32	Nylon
M4 screw (nut)	40	4	/	16	Nylon
2×9 connector	/	/	/	16	
Pin	19	0.6	/	100	
Carbon tape	50	50	0.13 ± 0.02	/	$\sim 100 \text{ k}\Omega/\text{sq}$

CAF4 for isolating, copper foil for HV making, absolute ethanol for cleaning are not included in this list.



Design of **top/bottom PCB**:

- ① 32 readout strips on a 10 mm pitch with 3 mm interval.
- ② Transmission feedthrough.
- ③ Installing holes for HV.
- ④ Mounting holes.
- ⑤ Installing holes for fishing line columns.
- ⑥ Installing holes for blocks.
- ⑦ Copper foil.

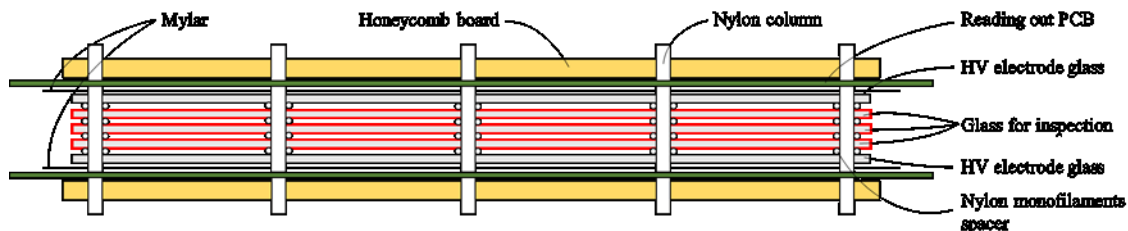
Design of **middle PCB**:

- ⑧ Signal transmission pins from bottom/top readout PCBs.
- ⑨ 200 kΩ protective resistors.
- ⑩ 2 × 9 connectors for signal output to PADI.

Design values of these PCBs:

Copper foil thickness: 0.035 mm.
Dielectric constant: 4.6.

Material	Requirement	Measurement
Low-resistive glass	Dimension: $330 (\pm 0.2) \times 276 (\pm 0.2) \times 0.7 (\pm 0.02) \text{ mm}^3$	Micrometer screw caliper
	Defects: no visible scratch, fracture, and pinhole	Eye inspection in light
	Dark current: $< 80 \text{ nA}$ at 6000V	Test module for glass inspection
PCB board	Dimension: $360 (\pm 0.2) \times 338 (\pm 0.2) \times 0.8/1.6 (\pm 0.05) \text{ mm}^3$	Vernier caliper
	Defects: no visible scratch and spot	Eye inspection in light
	Quality: connection, no shortcut, $200 \text{ k}\Omega$ resistor	Voltmeter
Honeycomb board	Dimension: $333 (\pm 1) \times 310 (\pm 1) \times 6 (\pm 0.2) \text{ mm}^3$	Vernier caliper
	Defects: no visible scratch	Eye inspection in light
Mylar	Dimension: $340 (\pm 0.2) \times 286 (\pm 0.2) \times 0.25 (\pm 0.02) \text{ mm}^3$	Micrometer screw caliper
	Defects: no visible scratch and loop hole	Eye inspection in light
Carbon tape	Height: $0.13 (\pm 0.02) \text{ mm}$	Micrometer screw caliper
	Surface resistance: $\sim 100 \text{ k}\Omega/\text{sq}$	Ohmmeter
Graphite electrode	Dimension: $324 (\pm 0.5) \times 270 (\pm 0.5)$	Vernier caliper
	Defects: no visible scratch and loop hole	Eye inspection in light
	Surface resistance: $< 10 \text{ M}\Omega/\text{sq}$	Ohmmeter
Fishing line	Dimension: $330 (\pm 0.2) \times 276 (\pm 0.2) \times 0.7 (\pm 0.02) \text{ mm}^3$	Micrometer screw caliper



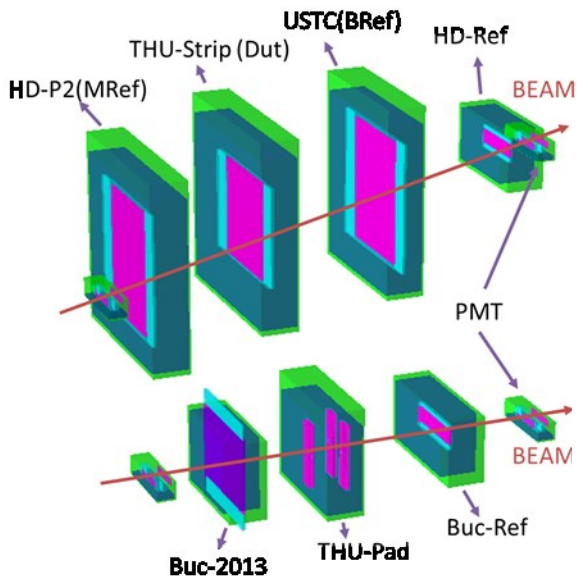
Test module for **glass inspection**. Each batch of glass should be examined before they are applied into assembling of counters.

The performance requirement of the MRPC3a counter in cosmic-ray test.

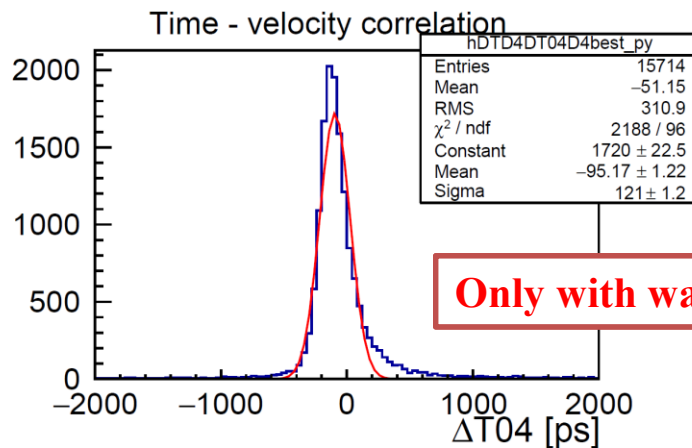
Testing conditions	Specification	Requirement
Working gas: 90% C ₂ H ₂ F ₄ , 5% i-C ₄ H ₁₀ and 5% SF ₆ HV: 5500 V PADI threshold: 350 mV	Dark current	< 50 nA
	Efficiency	> 95%
	System time resolution	< 125 ps
	Cluster size	< 2

Run 01Mar2217 SPS Feb 2015
(no diamond):

The time resolution in cosmic-ray can't be as good as that in beamtest (velocity correction not sufficient).



Without any cuts: 103 ps

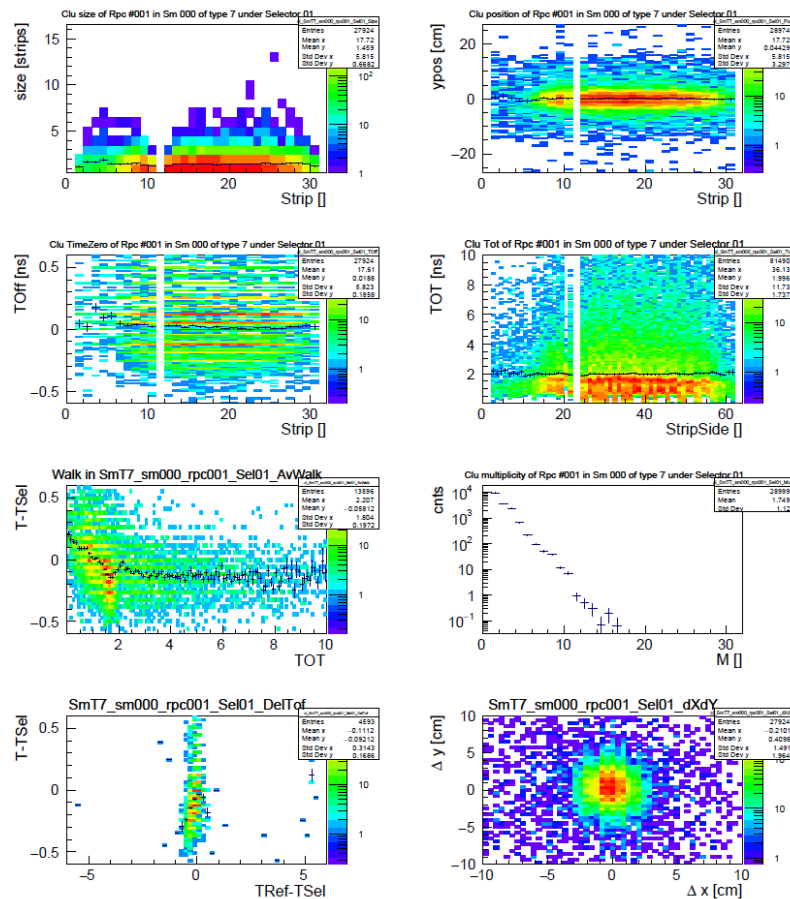
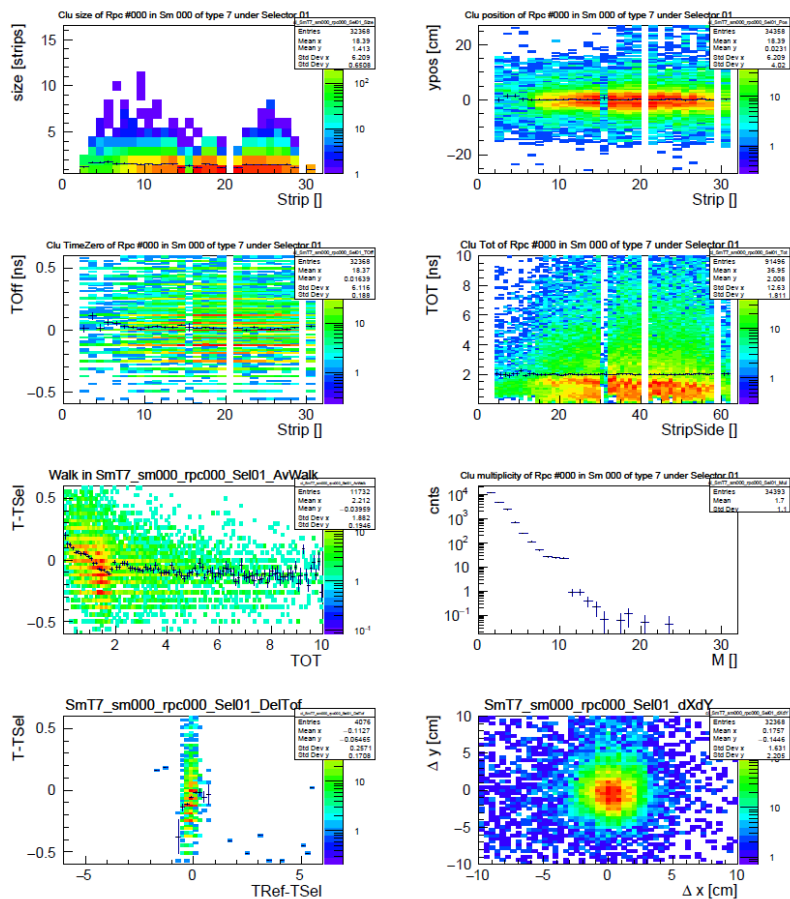


Only with walk correction: 121 ps

Comparison between calibration mode 700701702 and 701700702.

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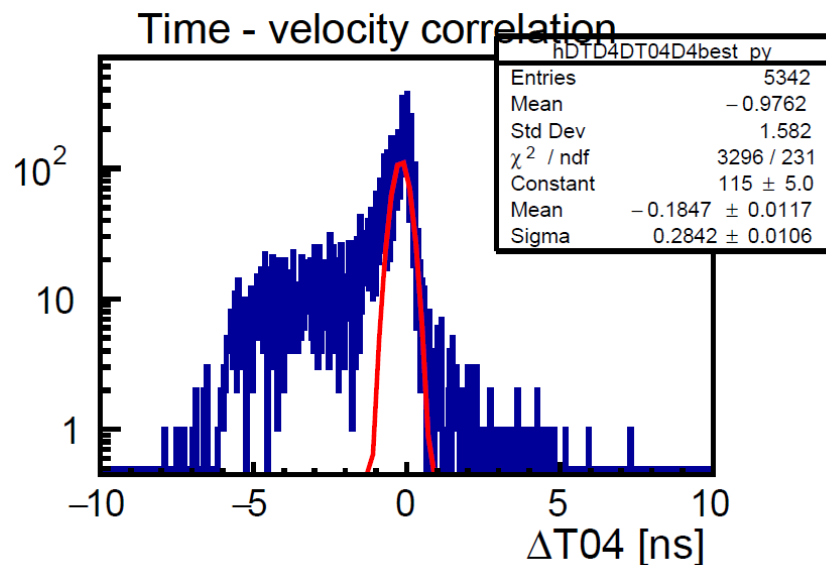
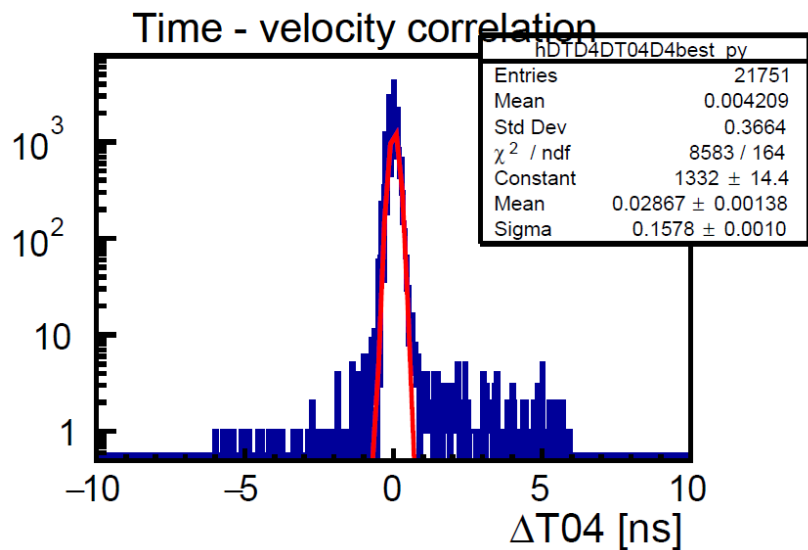
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Comparison between calibration mode 700701702 and 701700702.

pl_over_Mat04D4best **700701702**

pl_over_Mat04D4best **701700702**



All the products have been uploaded to Kronos under path:
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