# Test of the focusing TOP design using G-APDs at the Jülich test beam

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## Prototype for test beam at COSY



- Radiator bar (instead of disc): acrylic glass, 70 mm × 20 mm × 15 mm
- Focusing element: acrylic glass
- Mirror: VM2000 reflective foil
- Photo sensors: 4 SiPMs (G-APDs) from Moscow Engineering Physics Institute (MEPhI)

# Light guide in lab



The light guide inside its box.



Curved surface with VM2000 mirror foil.

# Trigger system





4 silicon strip detectors (tracking) 4 scintillators (trigger) Time difference between scintillators,  $\sigma\approx 1.1 {\rm ns}$ 

trigger = coincidence in all 4 scintillators proton beam momentum = 2.95 GeV/c

#### Coordinates in a tracking detector



Tracking is done by Bonn group. See talks by Simone and Hans-Georg. All axes are ADC Channels and counts.





# Multiplicity for a tracking detector



The multiplicity in tracking detectors (2 planes with 384 strips each). In most cases 1 strip per plane gives a signal.



## COSY test beam hall - JESSICA / NEM area



Our light guide test prototype.

# Simulation

p=2.95GeV/c



 $\approx 50~\text{photons}$  per 150 protons per mm² under 3°

## TDC and QDC

#### APD signal needs to be split to connect to TDC and QDC





TDC spectra red: with splitter for QDC signal blue: without

- Number of TDC events (above discriminator threshold) is very low
- Decided not to use splitter for QDC

# Single photons?



Laser test: signals for  $0, 1, 2, \ldots, 8$  detected photons

# Single photons?



90% of Jülich events are single-photon-events

## APD1 and APD2

Jülich data - 11 059 510 trigger





Time difference between APD1 and trigger; about 33 000 events Time difference between APD2 and trigger; about 45 000 events

simulation: 3 700 000 events expected! to be understood!

#### APD1 and APD2

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Fraction of triggers with photon signal:

Expected:  $\frac{3.7\text{mil}}{11\text{mil}} \approx 33\%$  Measured:  $\frac{45\text{k}}{11\text{mil}} \approx 0.4\%$ 

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 $\sigma \approx {\rm 308ps}$ 

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expected from simulation:  $(0.33)^2 \qquad \qquad \approx 11\%$ 

expected from single rate:  $(0.0030) \cdot (0.0041) \qquad \approx 0.0012\%$ 

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measured rate:  $\frac{73}{11 \text{mil}} \approx 0.0007\%$ 

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The Giessen group thanks the Bonn and Jülich groups for sharing their equipment (tracking, DAQ, ...) and the good collaboration!

We are looking forward to and are preparing ...



## Next test beam - April 2010

Disc prototype (half size of half disc)



We plan to equip disc with light guide(s) and probably APDs, similar to the previous test beam

