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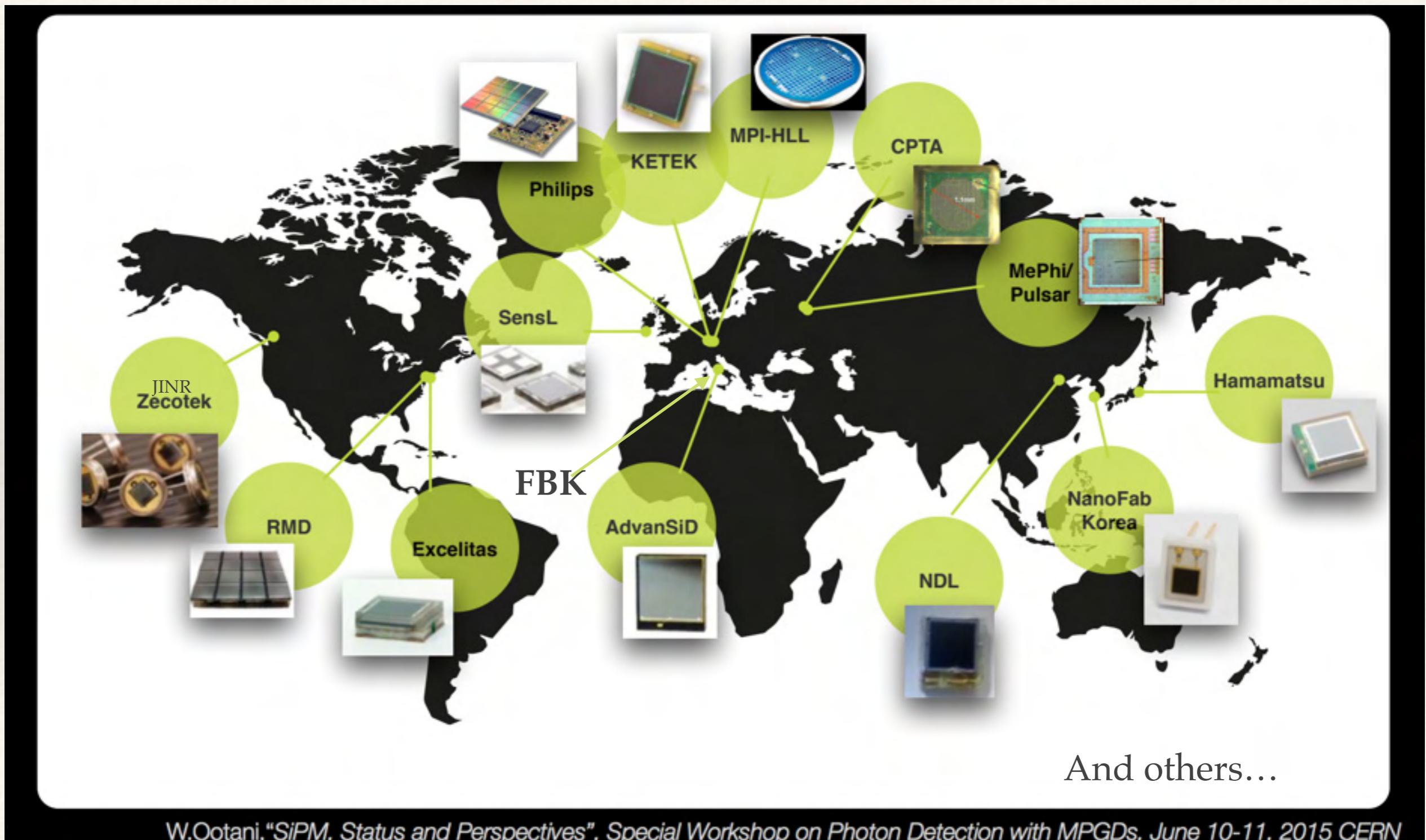
# State of Art in development of Silicon photomultipliers

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Joint Institute for Nuclear  
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# Vendors



# Different names - one meaning

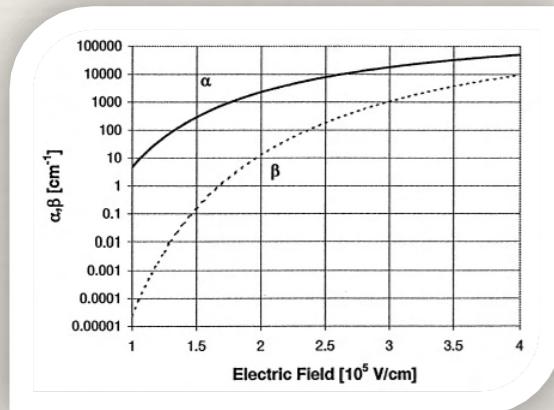
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- ❖ SiPM - Silicon Photomultiplier
- ❖ MAPD - Micropixel Avalanche PhotoDiode
- ❖ MPPC - MultiPixel Photon Counter
- ❖ SSPM - Solid-State Photomultiplier.
- ❖ MRS APD - Metal - Resistance - Semiconductor APD.
- ❖ Other...

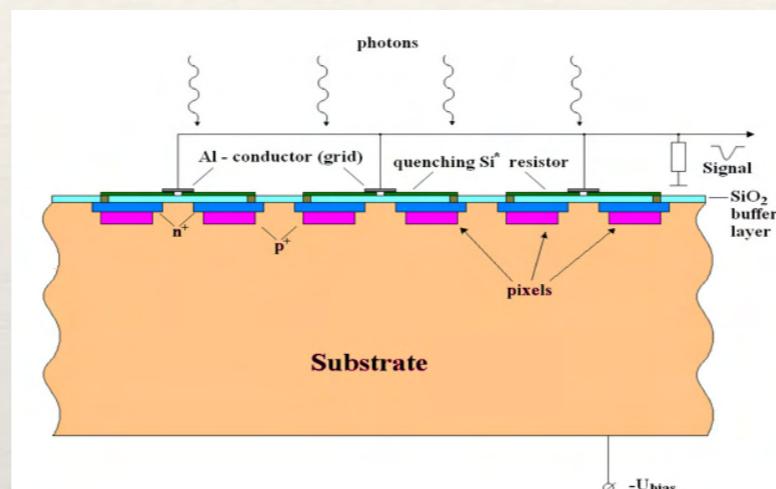
# Operation Principle

- ❖ Many binary (yes/no) pixels give proportional response.

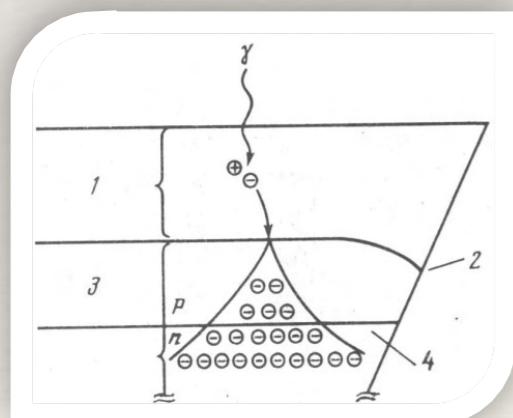
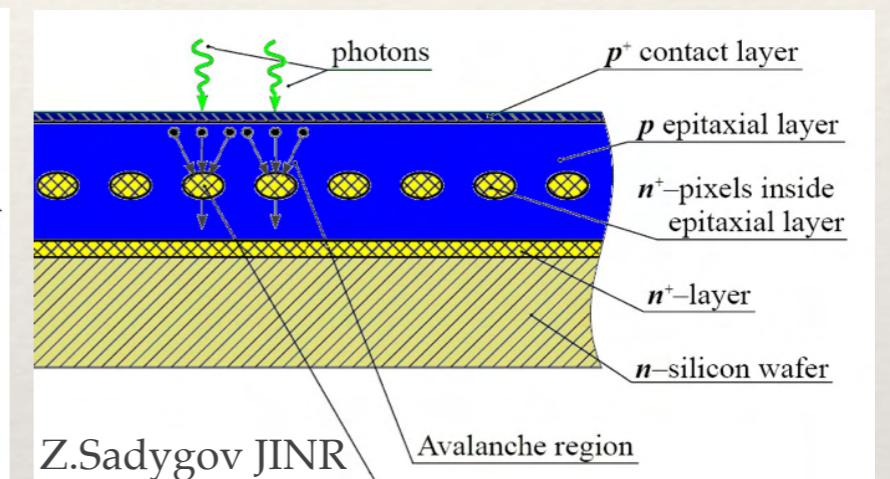
Impact ionization  
 $\alpha$  - electrons,  $\beta$  - holes



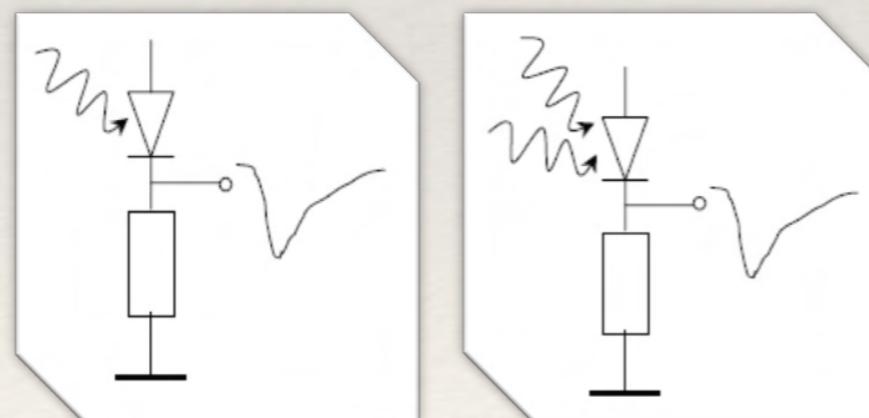
Pixels on surface



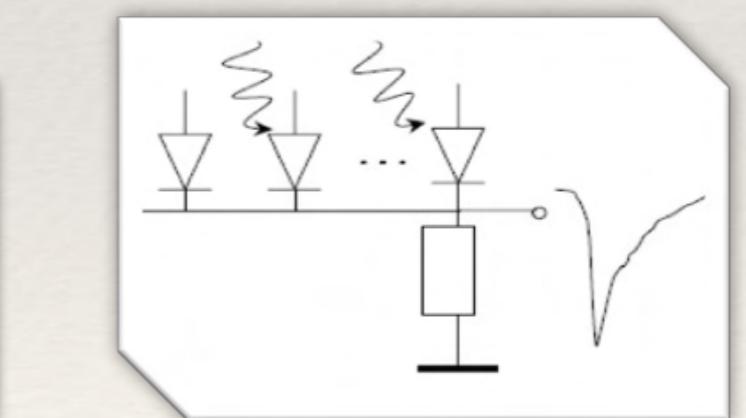
Deeply buried pixels (DMW-SiPM)



$\alpha \gg \beta$  APD  
 Linear Signal



$\alpha \approx \beta$  Geiger APD (SPAD) - Digital Signal  
 (Yes/No Counter)



Many APDg = SiPM  
 Quasi linear  
 Number of pixels ~ linearity

# Dynamic range and nonlinearity

Dynamic range is defined by total number of pixels, but response is not linear!

Simple approach:

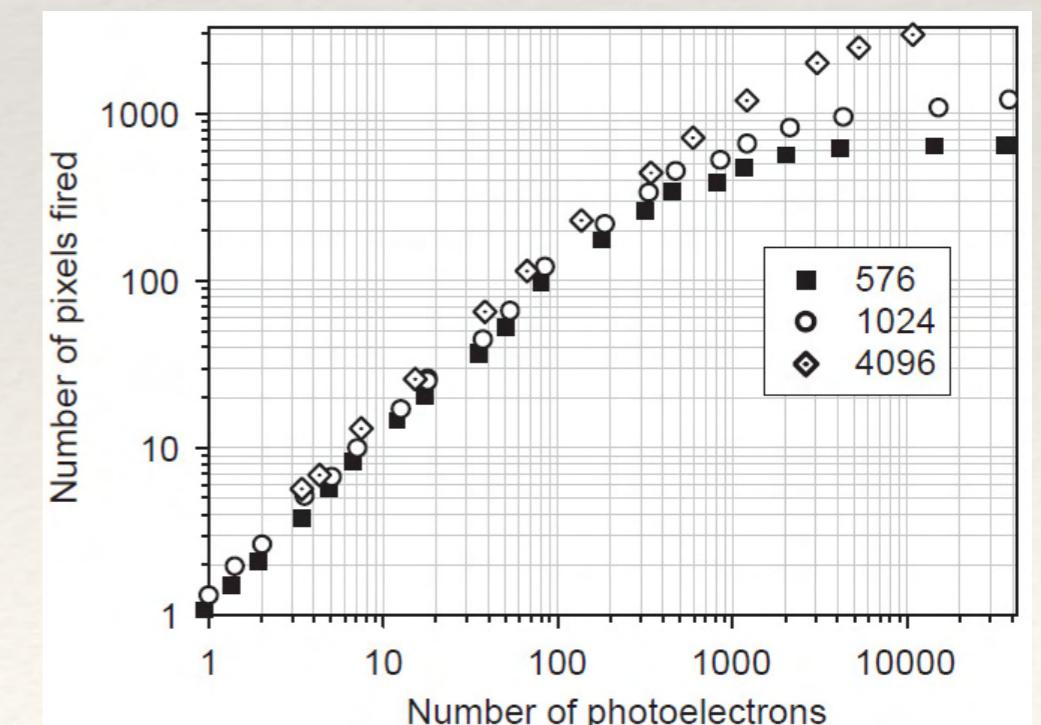
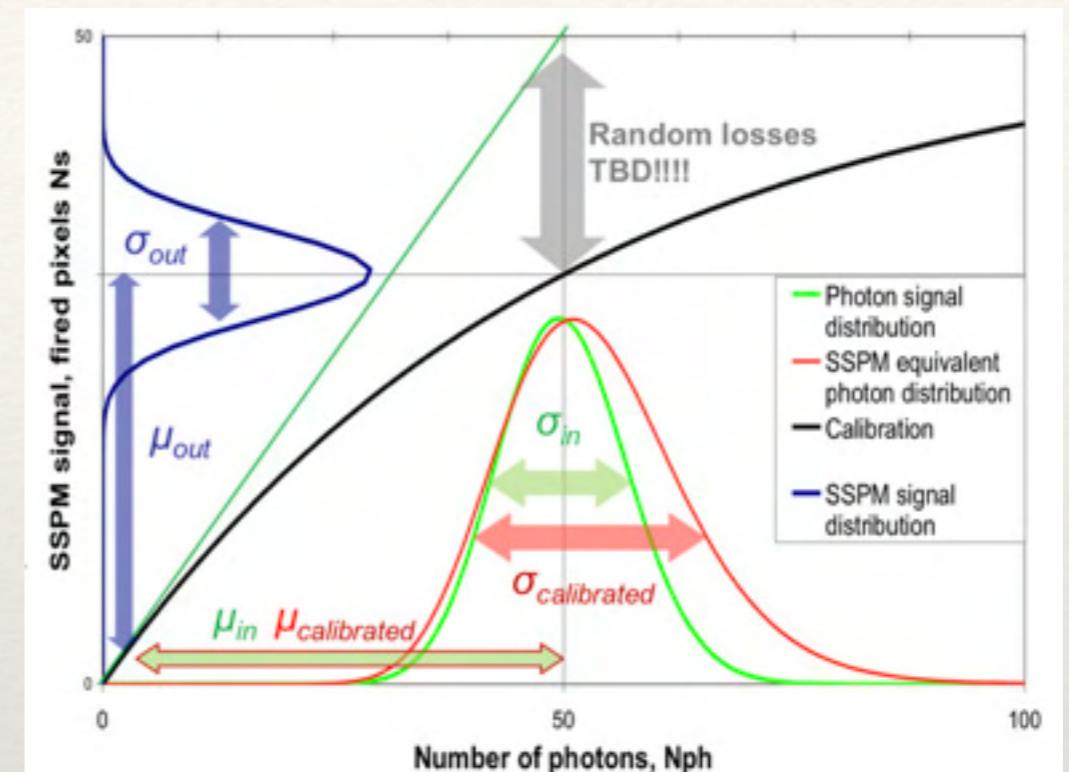
$$N_{det} = N_{pix} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{N_{pe}}{N_{pix}}} \right)$$

- ◆ Excess noise of nonlinearity

$$ENF = \frac{Res_{calib}^2}{Res_{in}^2} = \frac{\sigma_{calib}^2}{\sigma_{in}^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{in}^2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{out}^2}{\left( \frac{d\mu_{out}}{d\mu_{in}} \right)^2}$$

S. Vinogradov. Statistics and models of SiPM nonlinearity and saturation

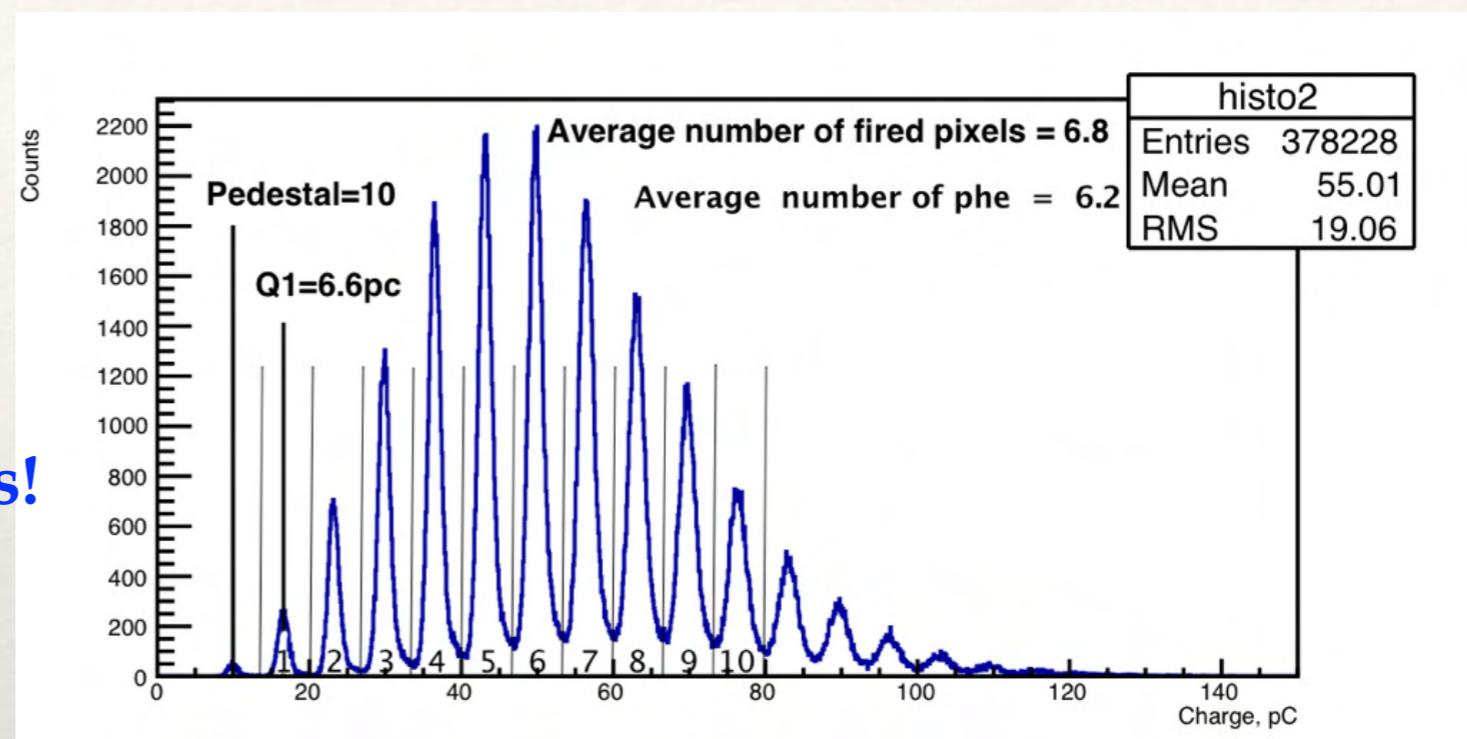
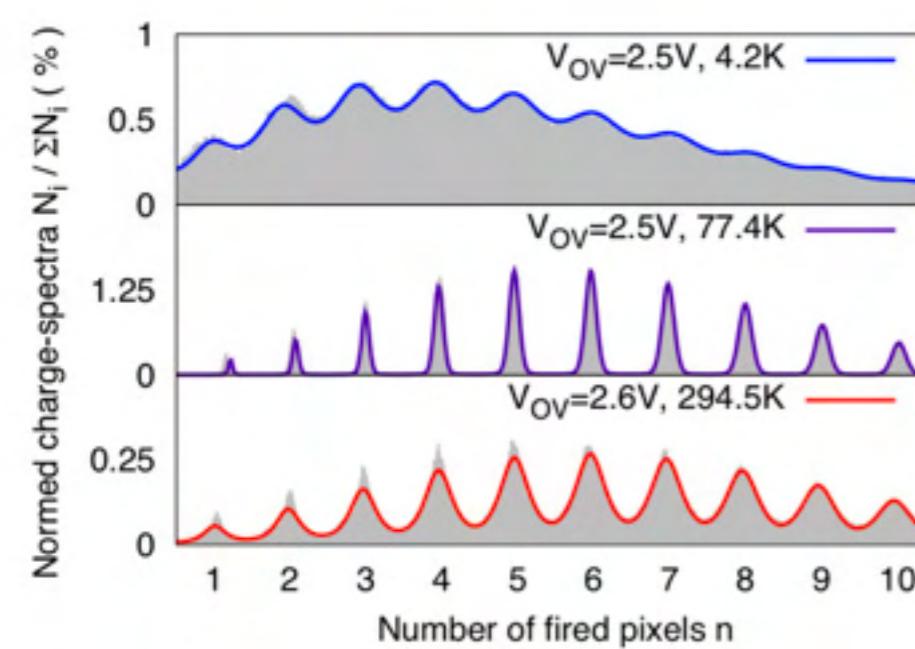
Cross-talk decreases linearity!



# Single photon resolution

SiPM can detect single photons!

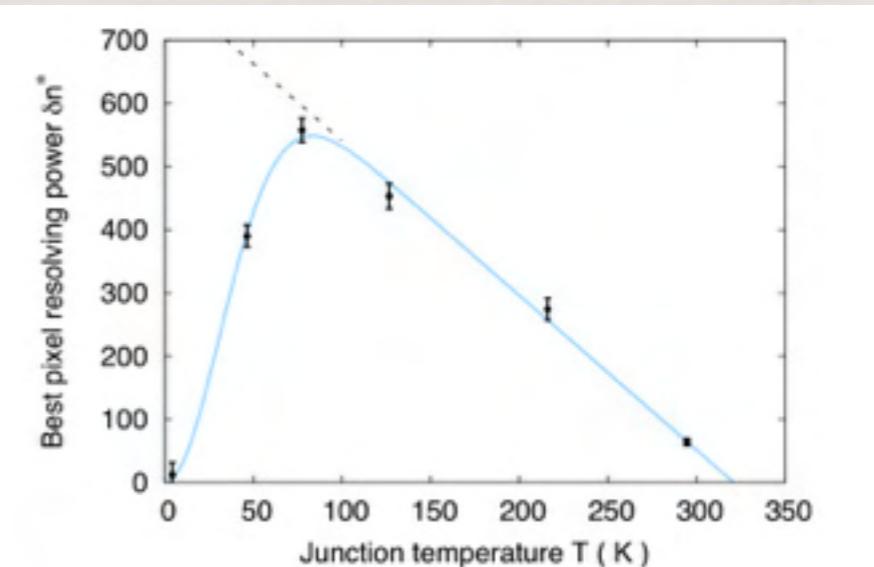
And distinguish number of photons!



Hamamatsu MPPC S12572-010C(X).

3x3 mm<sup>2</sup>, 90 000 pixels

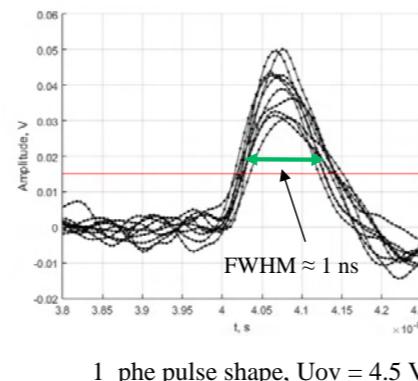
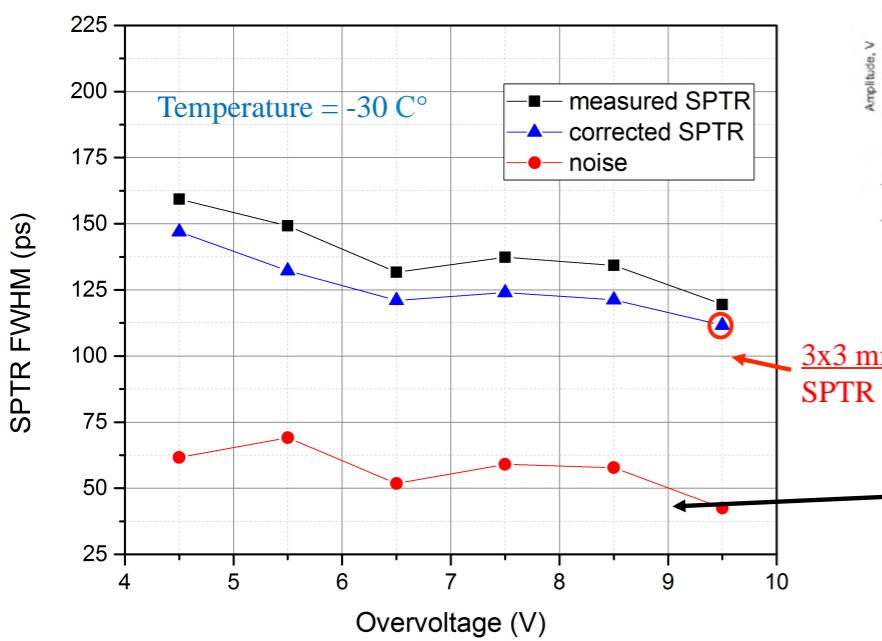
N. Anfimov et al., Measuring of the time resolution parameters of silicon photomultiplier



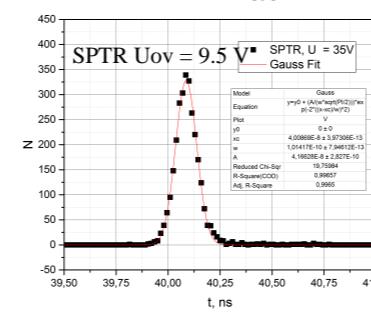
Resolution depends on Temperature! Best @ LiN Temp!

# Single Pixel Time Resolution - S PTR

## S PTR measurements

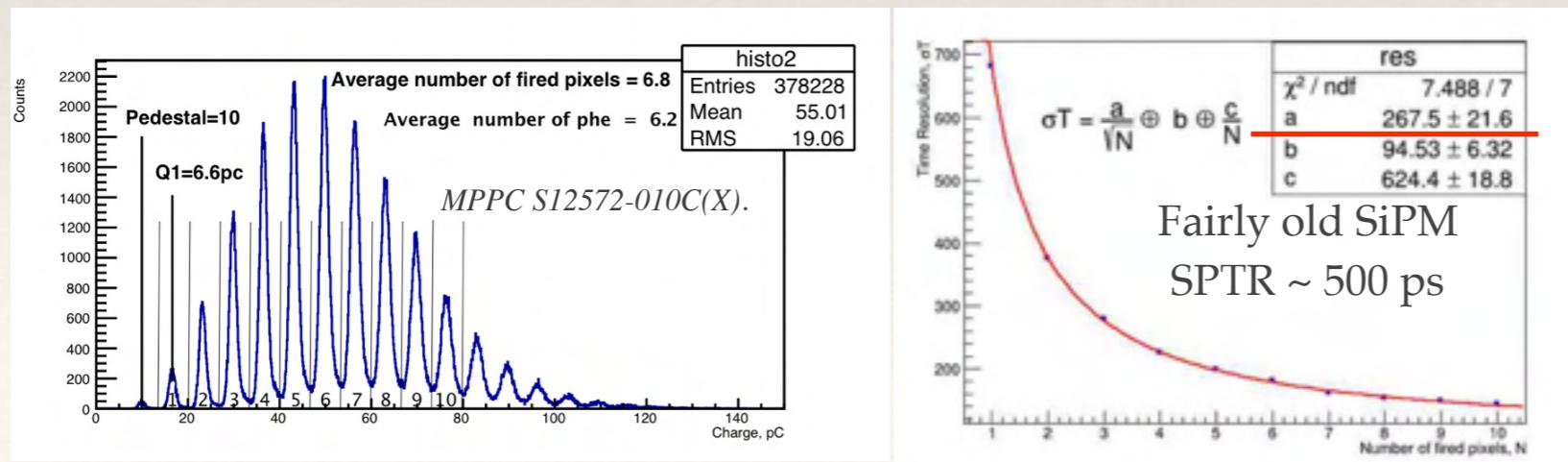


$$\bar{\sigma}_{t,noise} = \frac{\bar{\sigma}_{A,noise}}{\frac{dU}{dt}}$$



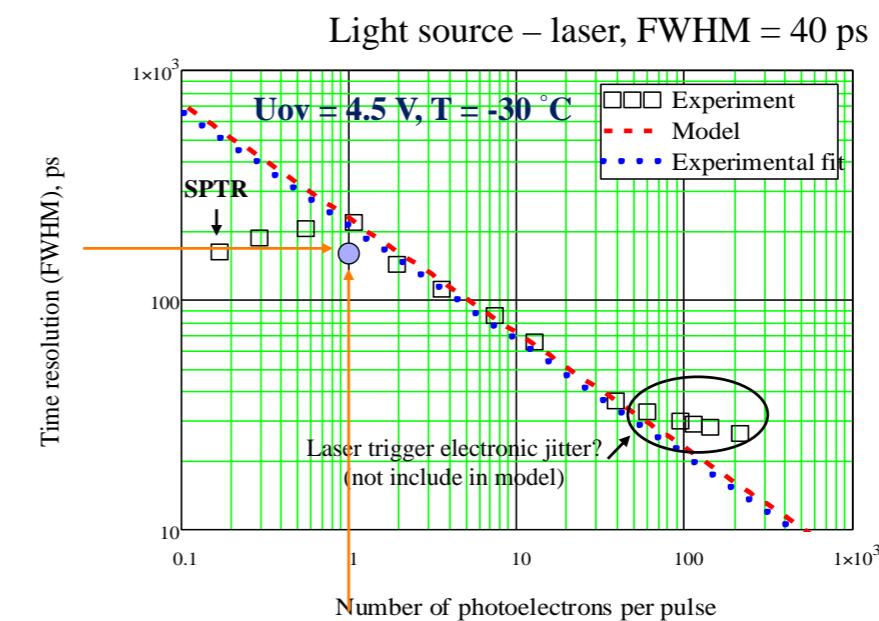
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## TR vs Light intensity for short laser pulse

(T = -30°C, Uov = 4.5V, S PTR (true S PTR without noise contribution) = 147 ps  
Pct=0.13, ENFct=1.16, no Dark rate)



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$$FWHM_t(N_{pe}) \approx \frac{S PTR}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}} \cdot 1.5$$

Analytical model:  
Tr = 0.5 ns, Tf = 1 ns

$$FWHM_t(N_{pe}) \approx \frac{210 \text{ ps}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}}$$

Experimental Fit

$$\frac{210}{1,5} = 140 \approx S PTR_{corr}$$

Extracted S PTR

For new SiPMs

S PTR (FWHM) ~ 100 ps  
for new SiPMs

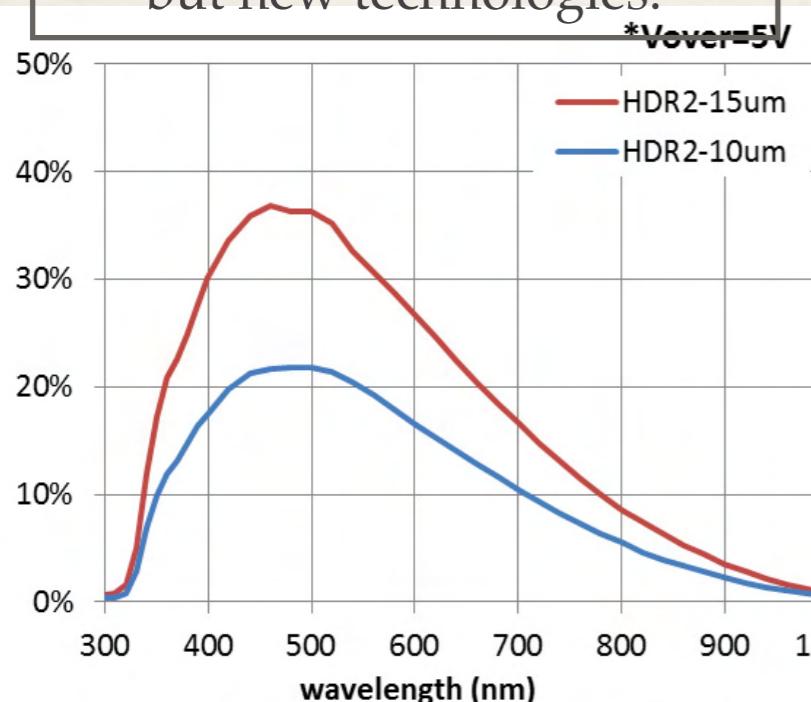
# Photon Detection Efficiency

$\epsilon_g$  - Geometrical filling factor

$\epsilon_g = \text{Active}/\text{Total}$

$\epsilon_g > 50\%$  is Achievable

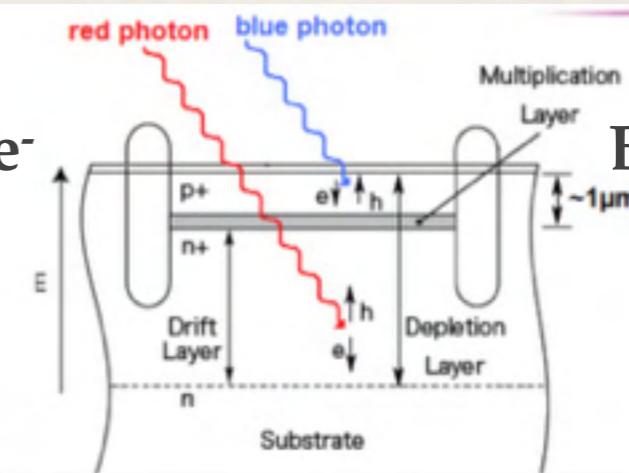
Depends on pixel density,  
but new technologies!



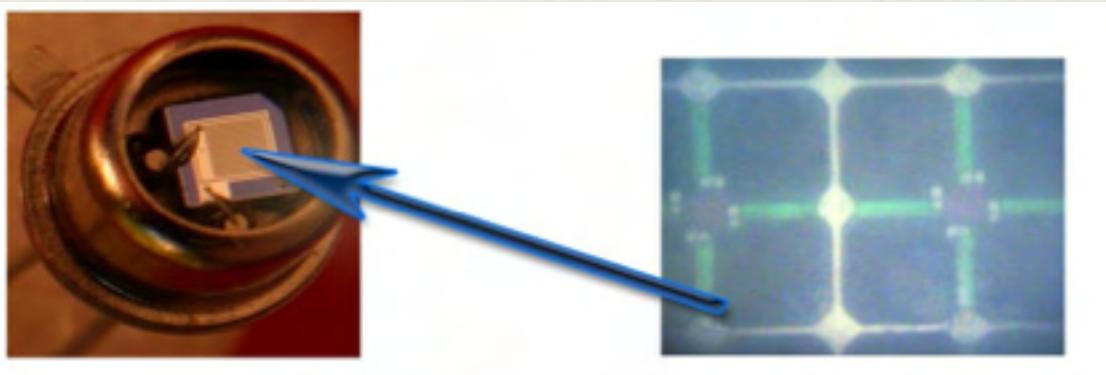
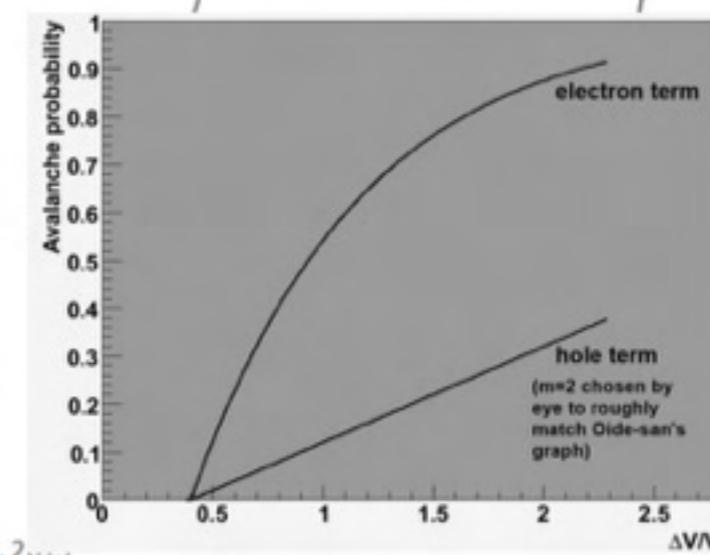
$$PDE = QE \cdot \epsilon_g \cdot P_{tr}$$

*QE - Quantum Efficiency of material  
(+ Fresnel reflection)*

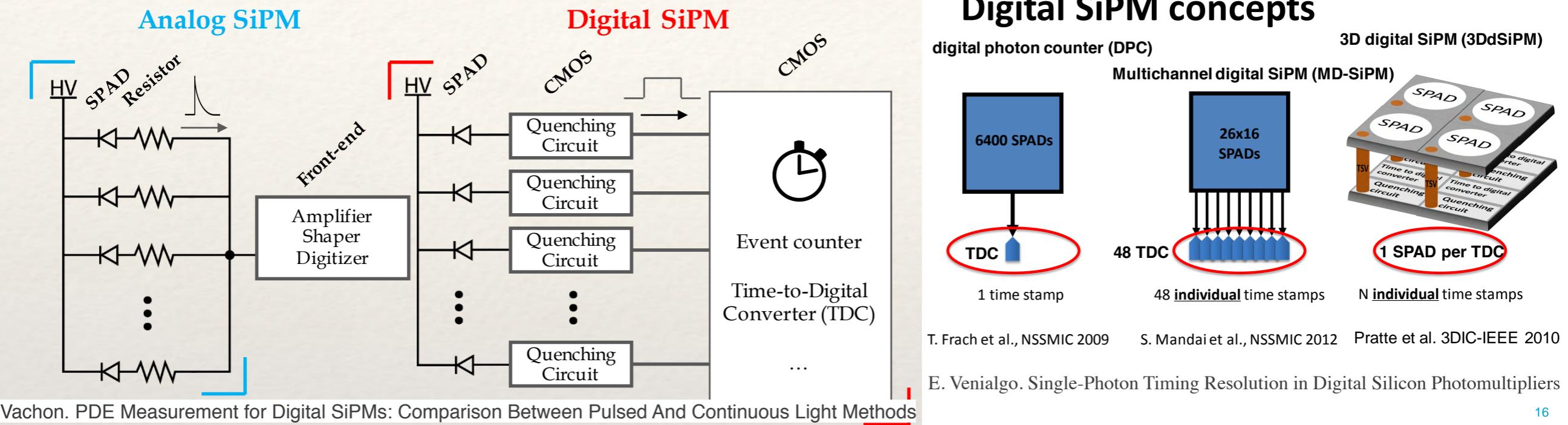
**p-substrate:**  
Blue -  $h^+$ , Red -  $e^-$



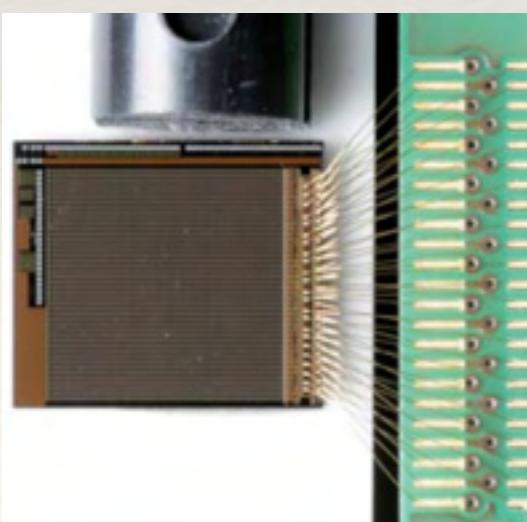
**n-substrate:**  
Blue -  $e^-$ , Red -  $h^+$



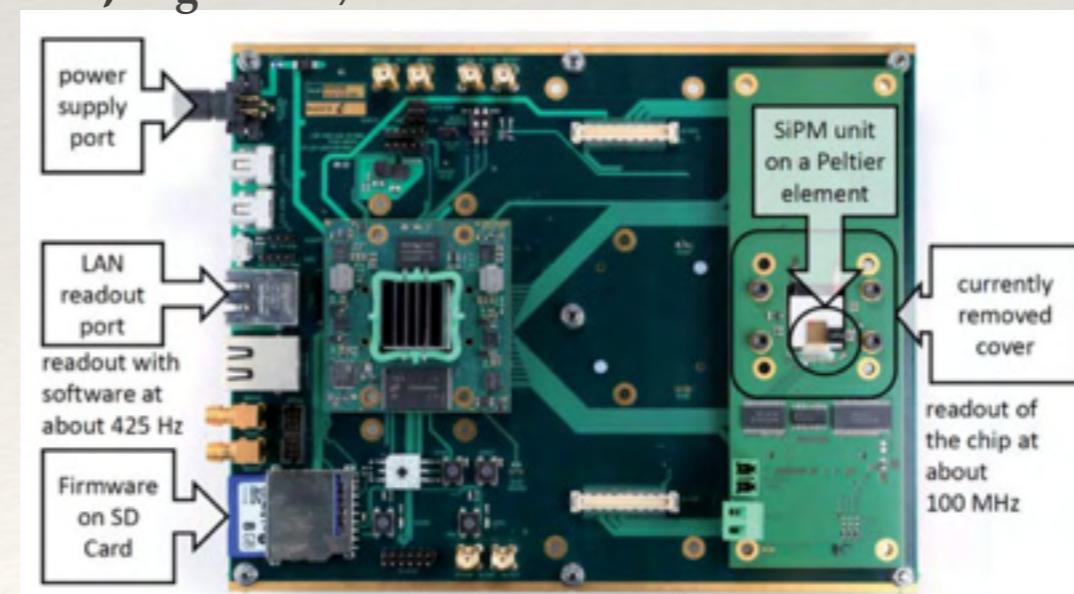
# Digital SiPM



88x88 pixels, 5x5 mm<sup>2</sup>, E<sub>g</sub> = 55%. Fraunhofer Institute IMS DSiPM



R. Joppe. Preparation and first applications of a digital SiPM



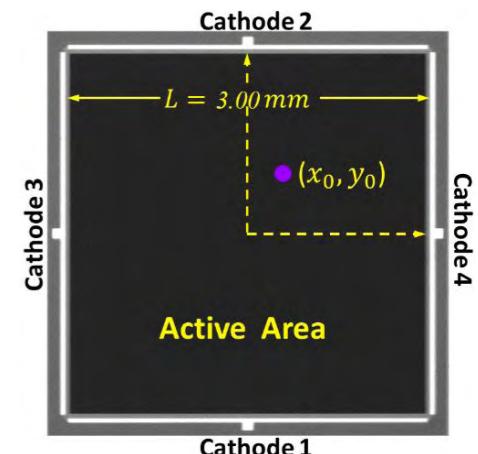
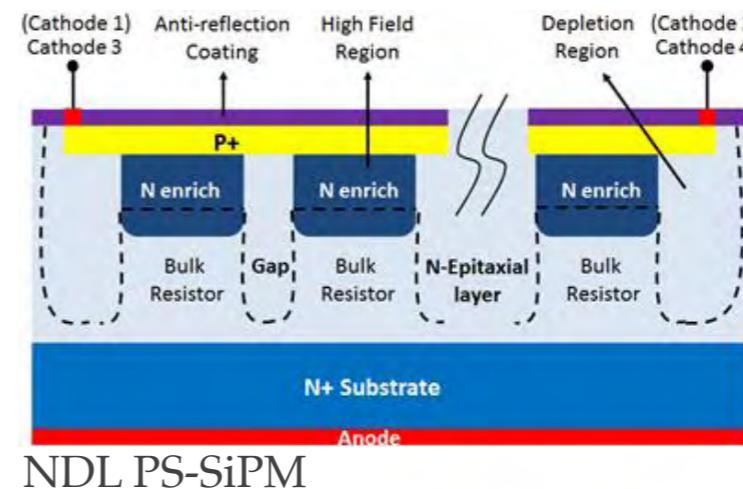
DSiPM  
Expensive, complex

Very promising  
technology

Pixel position?

# Position-sensitive SiPM

SeSP Uni. of Aachen, Germany  
 ISiPM Univ. of Heidelberg, Germany  
 PS-SSPM RMD, USA  
 LG-SiPM FBK, Italy  
 NDL EQR-SiPM → CRL-SiPM

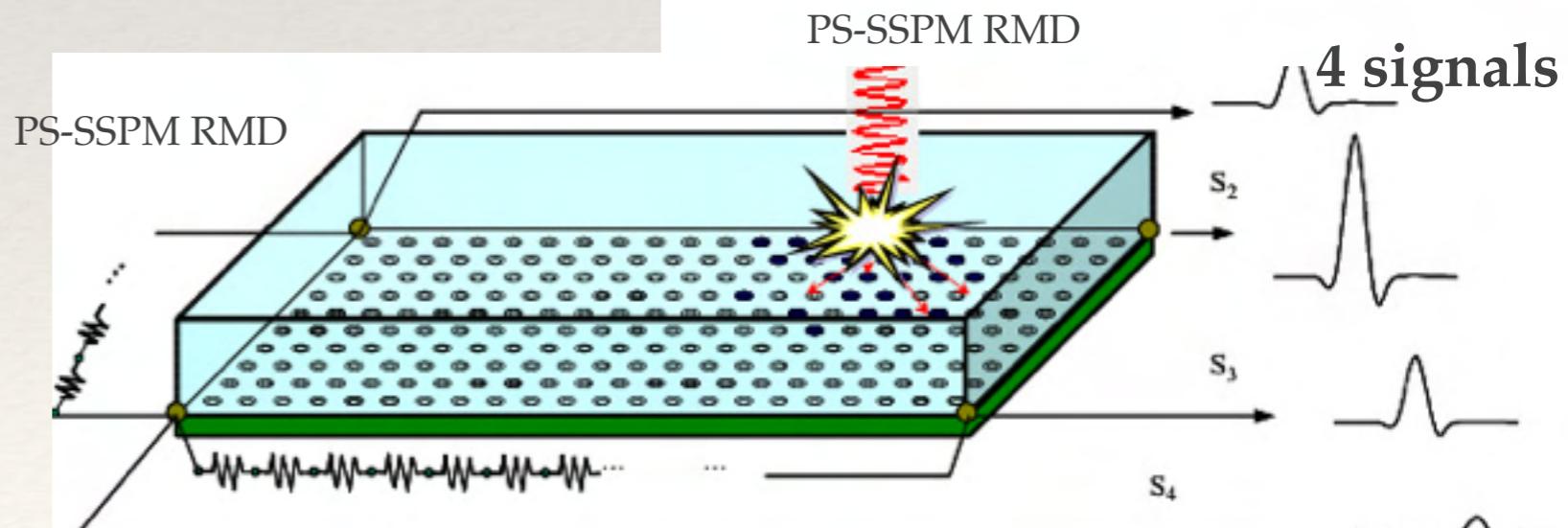
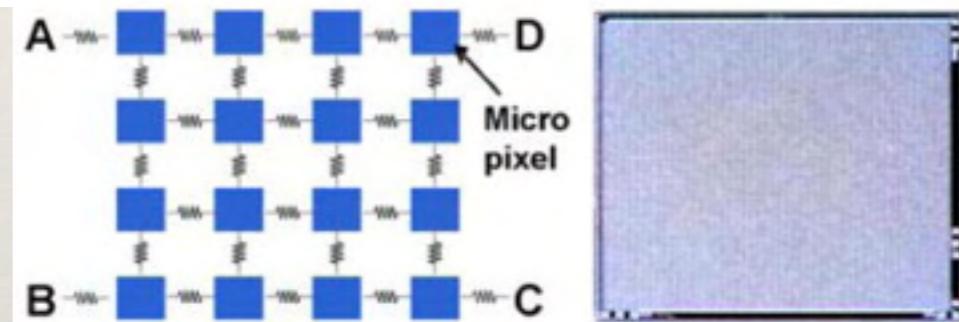


Based on Charge sharing  
(Gravity Center) principle!

Suitable to read out an array of small crystals

8x8 1x1x20 mm<sup>3</sup> by 4 channels!

Active area	10mm x 10mm
Total Number of micropixels	40000
Micro-pixel area	30μm x 30μm
Micro-pixel pitch	44.3μm x 44.3μm
Geometrical Fill Factor	36%
Quench Resistors O	144k
Network resistors O	90
PDE @ 420 nm	7 - 10%
Dark Count Rate MHz	700 (V <sub>x</sub> = 2V)
Capacitance fF/pixel	220
Operating voltage	27.5V to 32V



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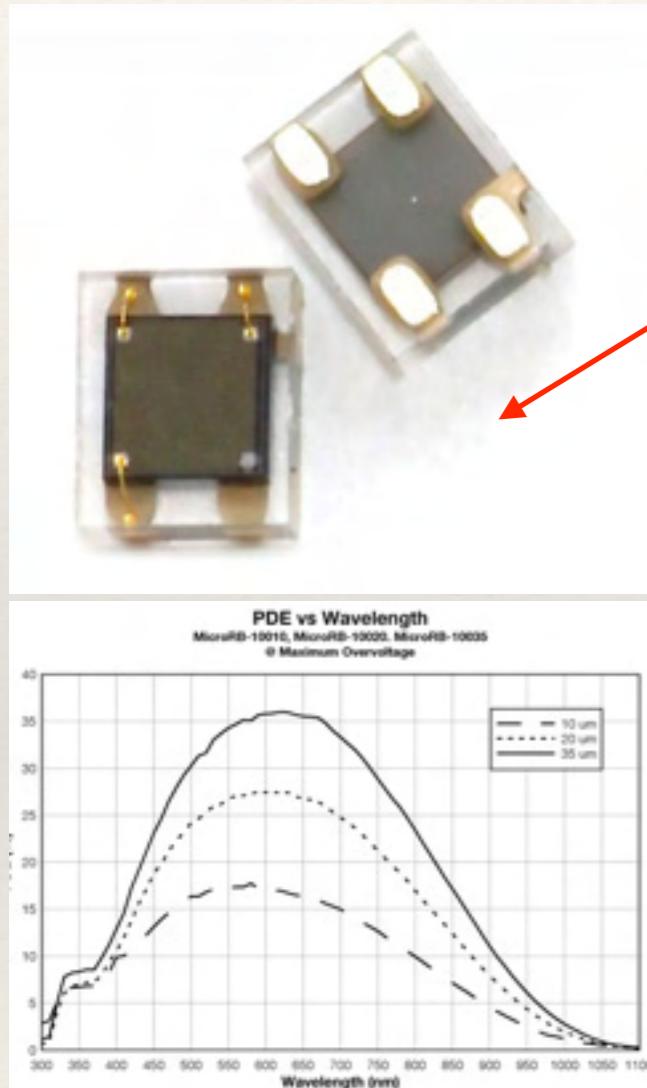
# Applications outline

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- ❖ Light detection: Visible, UV, IR
- ❖ Fiber optics (clean, WLS, etc)
- ❖ Small Scintillators, compact detectors.
- ❖ Cherenkov light detectors
- ❖ High Energy Physics
- ❖ Cryogenics
- ❖ Timing TOF (TOF-PET, Particle Identification, Ranging).
- ❖ LiDAR, SmartCars, ...
- ❖ Photon counting applications (Quantum entanglement, cryptography, medicine, military, ...)
- ❖ others...

# IR, Visible, UV

SensL R-series



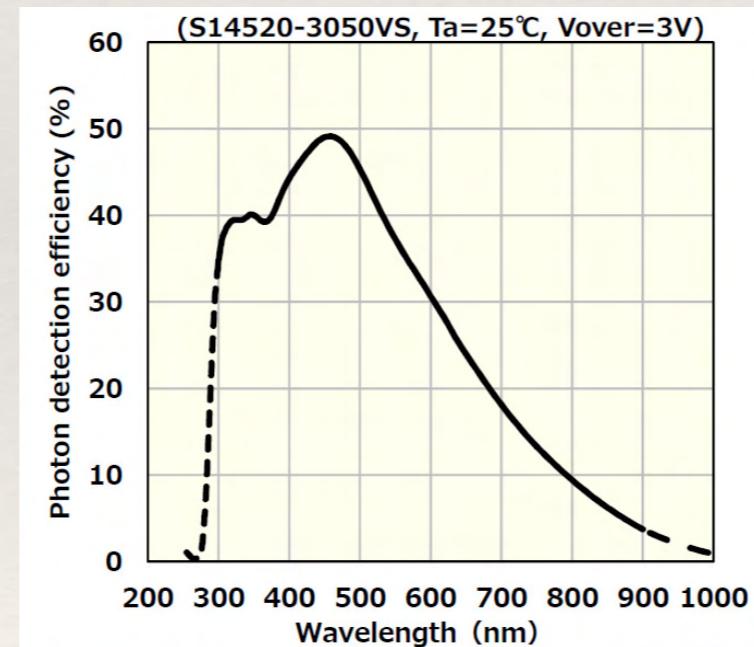
PDE (900 nm) ~ 10%  
LiDAR applications, NV

PDE(600-650) ~ 35%

**Red Scintillators???**

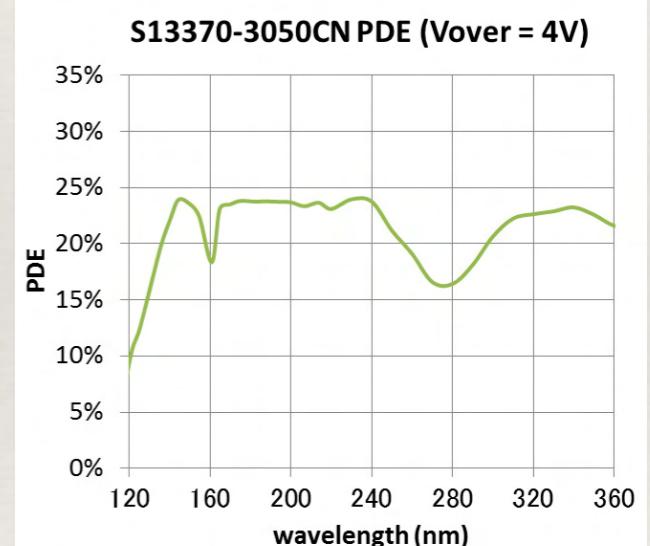
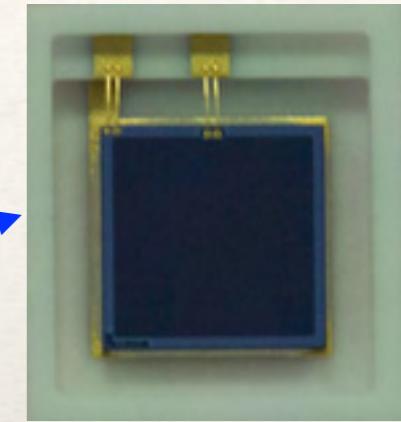
All SiPMs can detect visible light

p-substrate shifted to Red (IR)  
n-substrate to Violet (UV)



**PDEmax ~ 50%**

3 × 3 mm<sup>2</sup> S13370-3050CN MPPCs



No protection covering - Naked!

PDE (178 nm) ~ 25%

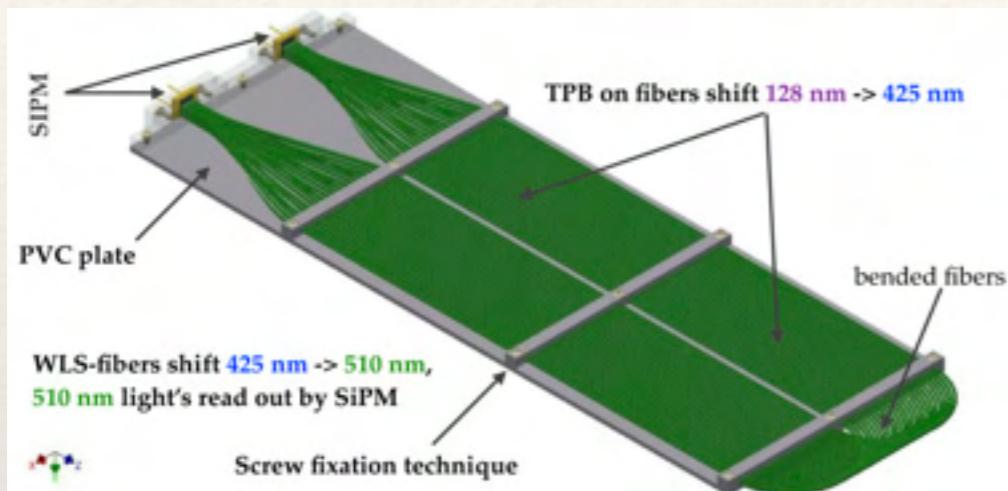
May operate in liquid Xe, Ar

[10.1088/1748-0221/13/03/C03026](https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/13/03/C03026)

**For liquid gases Efficiency < 15%**  
(refraction mismatch)

# Small Size -> Fibers!

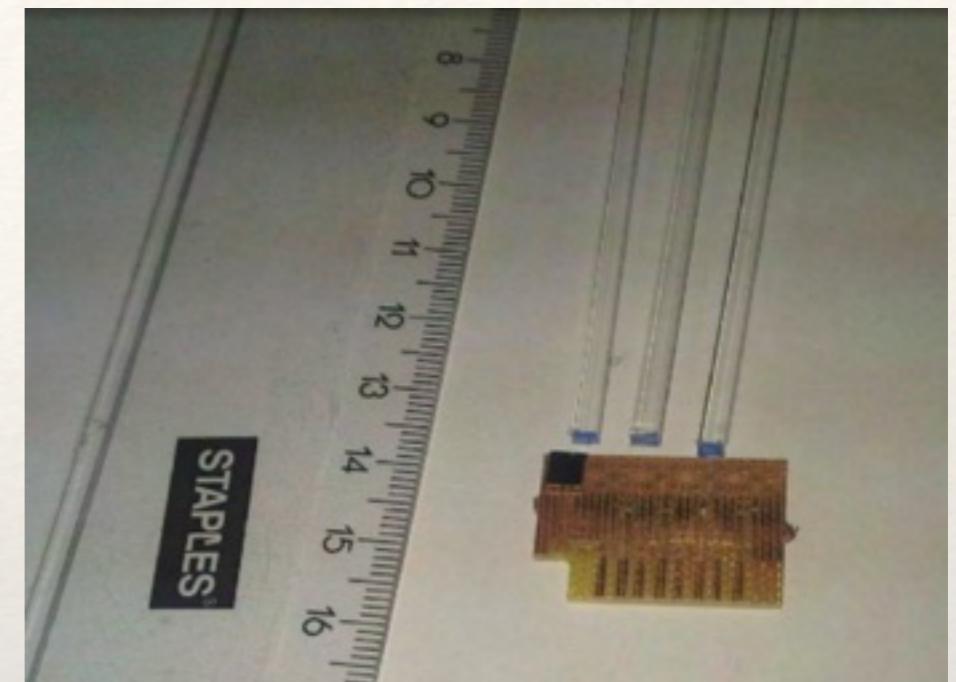
Fibers are coated with TPB



Tests @ UniBe



Light Collection module for Liquid Argon TPC (Design @ JINR)

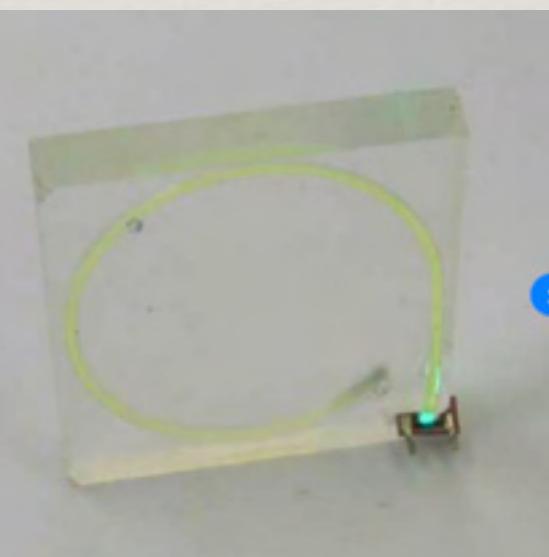
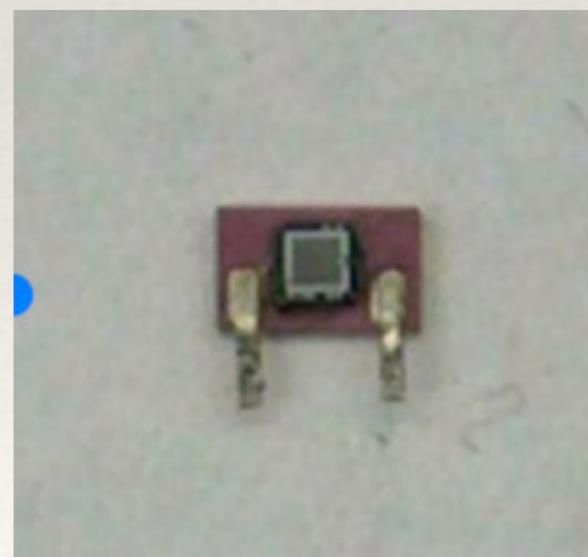
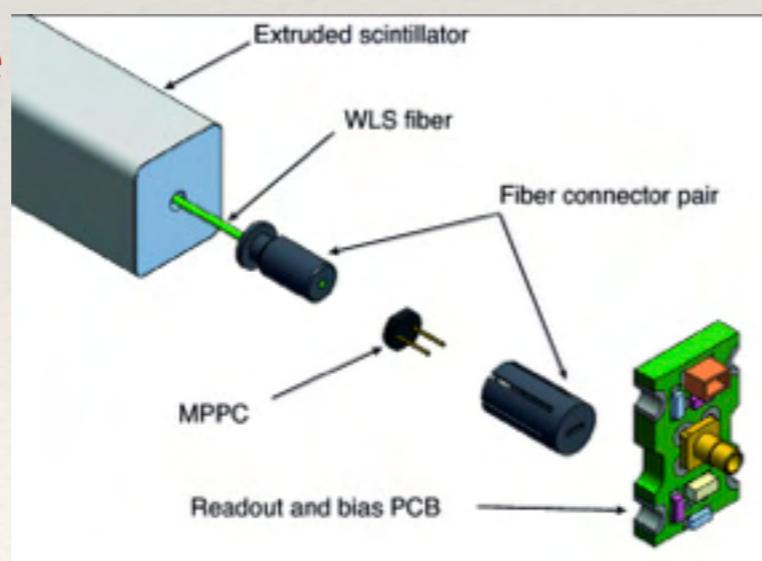


SiPM for Square Fibers

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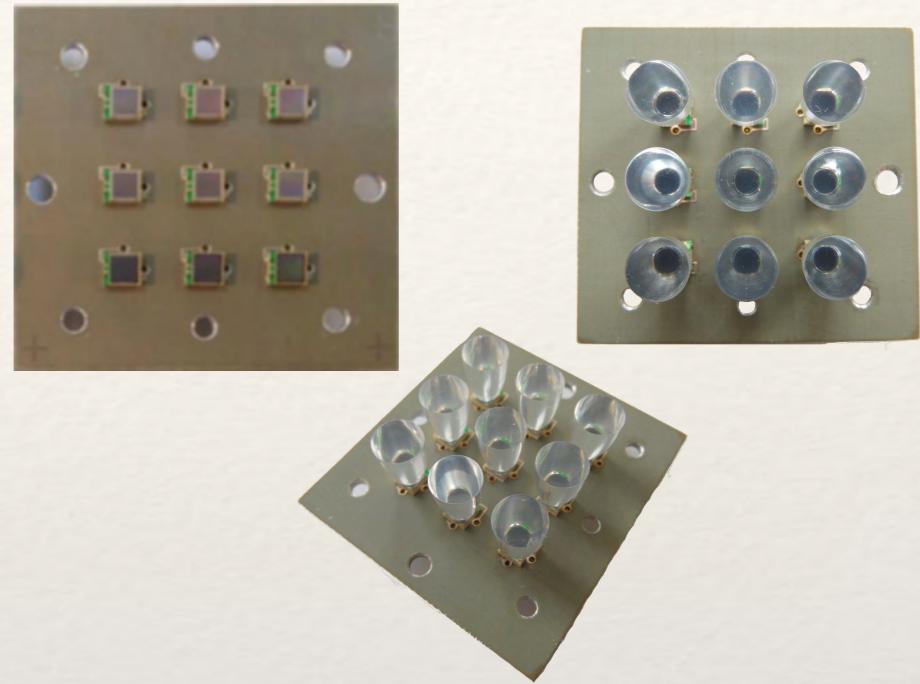
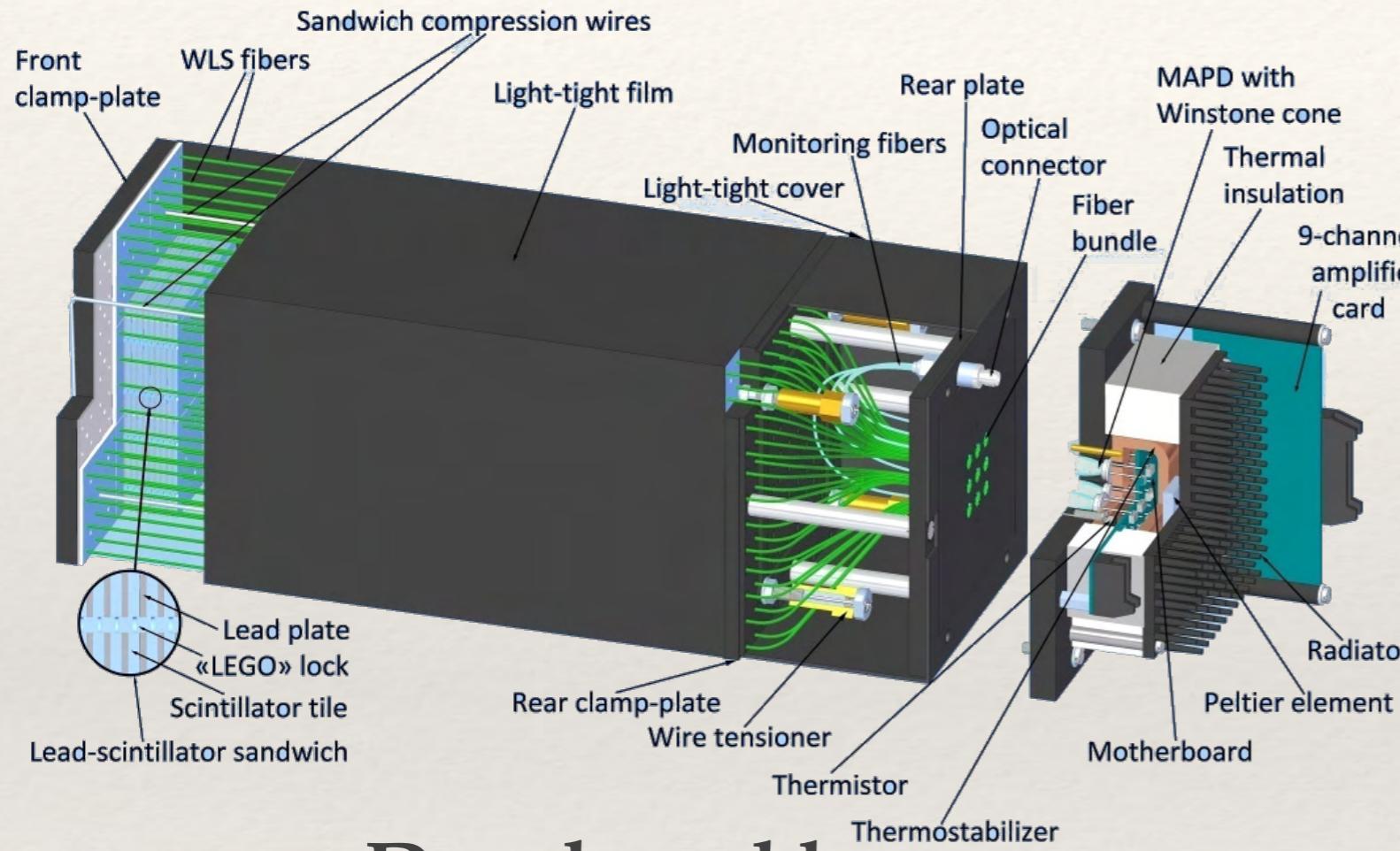
Relatively high noise  
@Room Temperature  
~ 100 kHz/mm<sup>2</sup>

Scintillator + Fibers



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# Shashlik ECAL for COMPASS-II



Developed by

JINR (Dubna) & ISMA (Kharkov)

+ CERN, WTU (Warsaw), TUM (Munich)

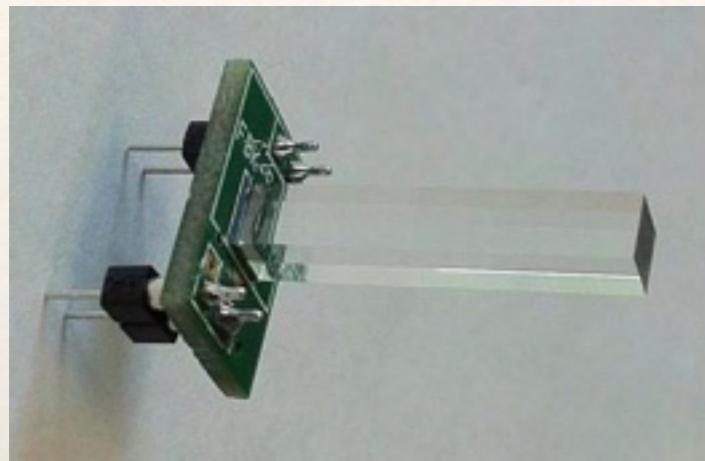
Successful operation for 2 years

This is Me!

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# Small scintillators -> Compact Solutions

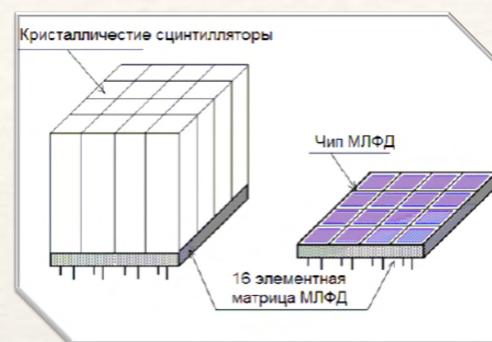


SiPM with LYSO

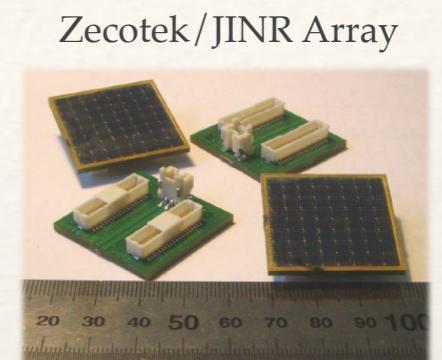
<http://physicsopenlab.org/>



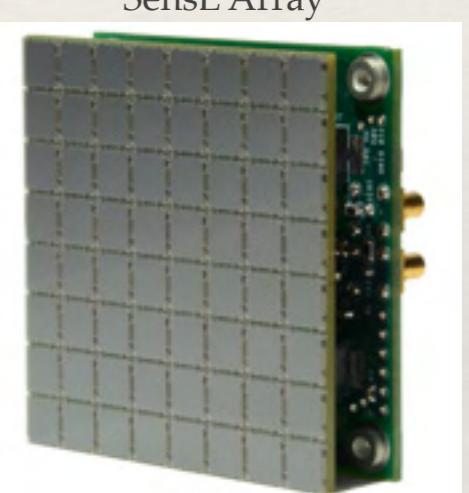
SiPM with BGO



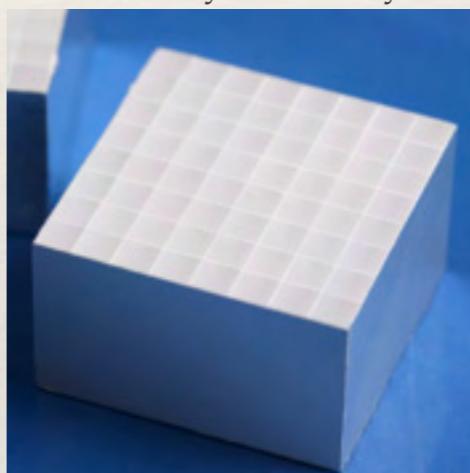
LSO Crystals Array



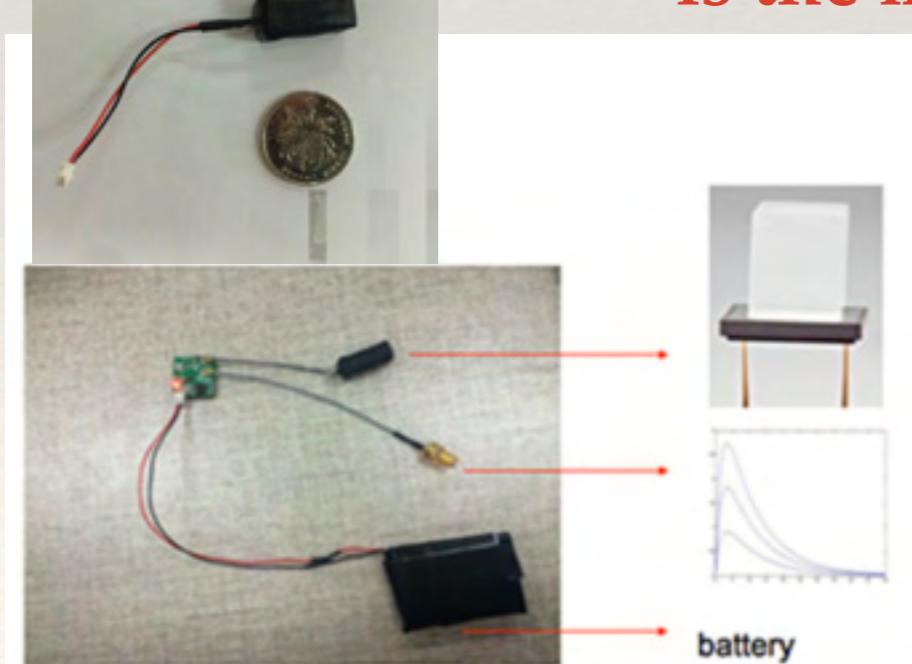
Zecotek/JINR Array



SensL Array



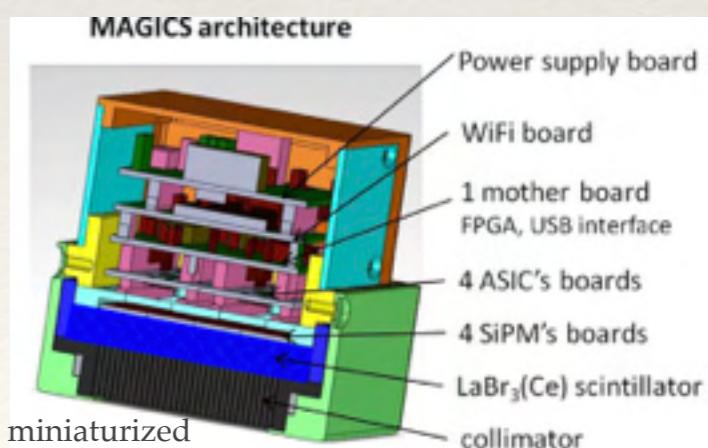
The main concept for PET (PET/MRI)



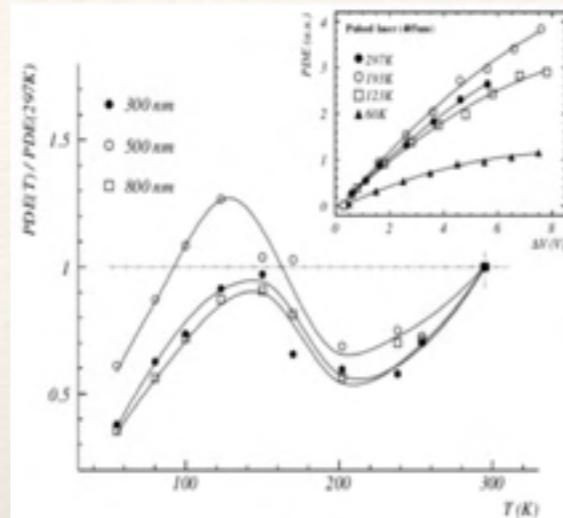
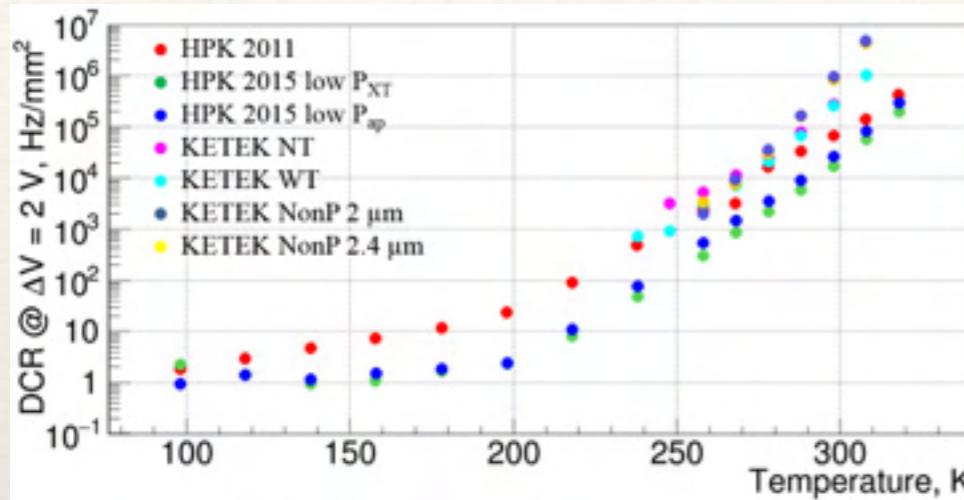
Compact Radiation detection module (X-Z lab)

**Temperature variation  
is the main issue!**

Array Size  $\sim 5 \times 5 \text{ cm}^2$   
Compact Gamma Camera

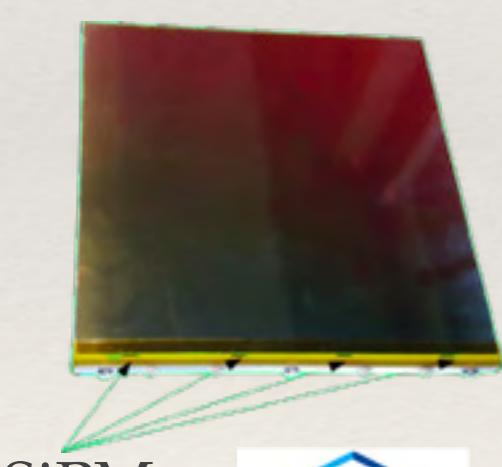


# SiPM can operate @ cryo Temp

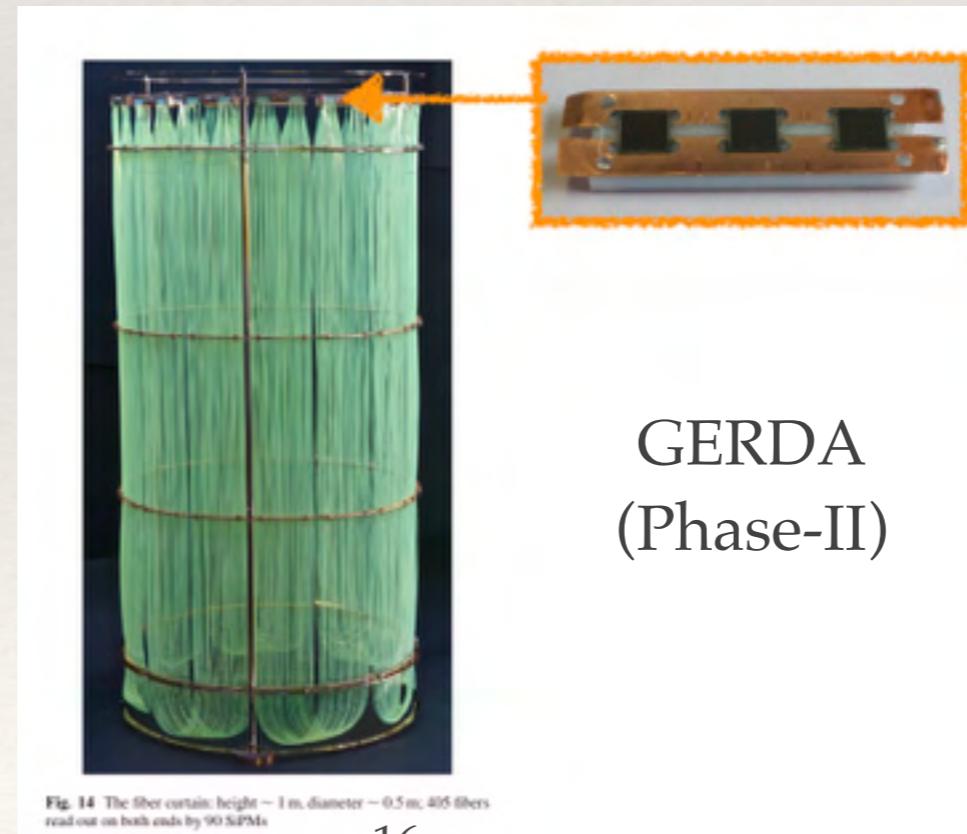


Very low noise  $\sim \text{Hz/mm}^2$  Still efficient to detect light

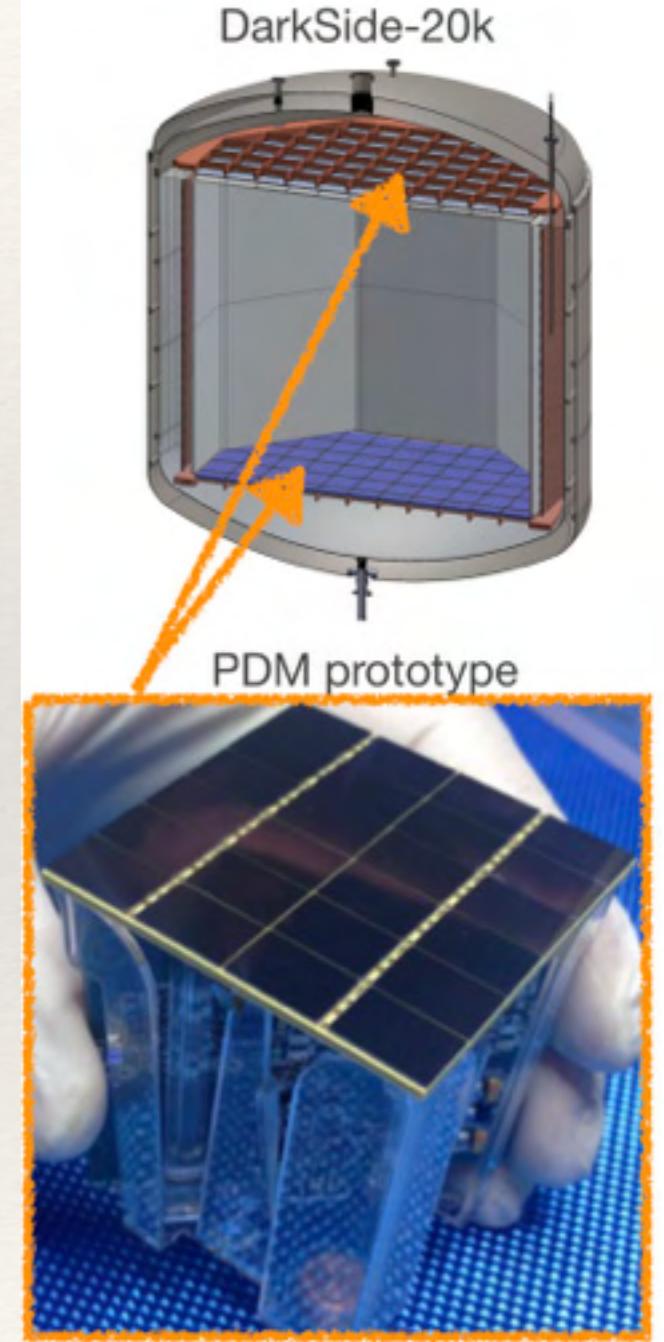
A. Nagaii. Overview on Experimental Setups to Study SiPM Parameters Cryogenic Temperature



ArcLight and Fiber-LCM  
for Dune (ArgonCube)



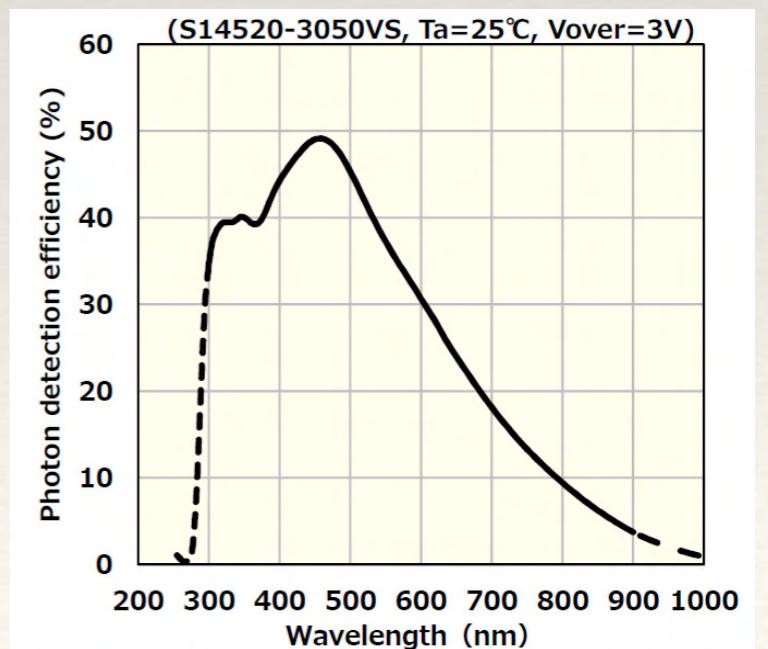
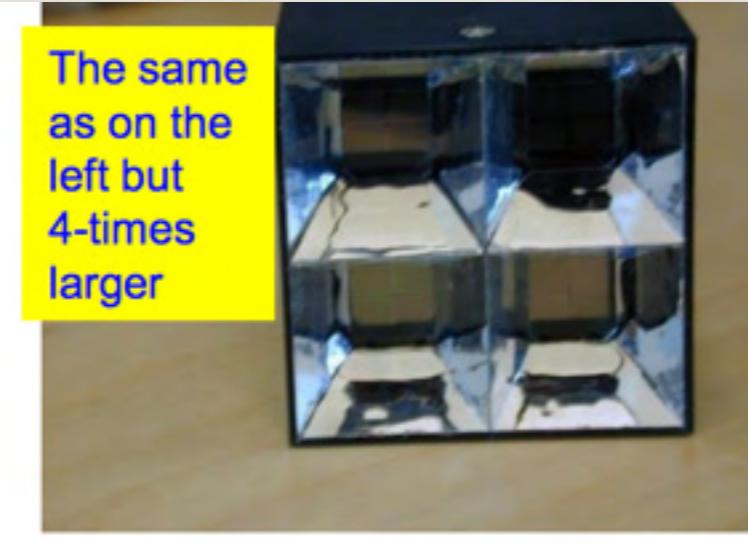
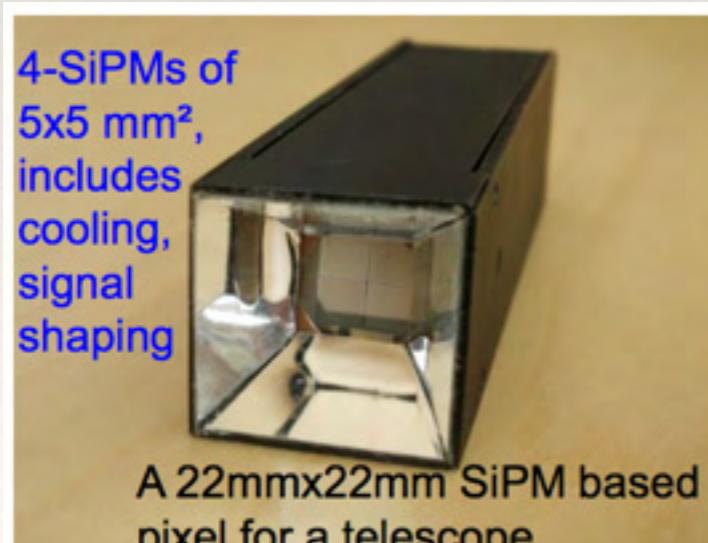
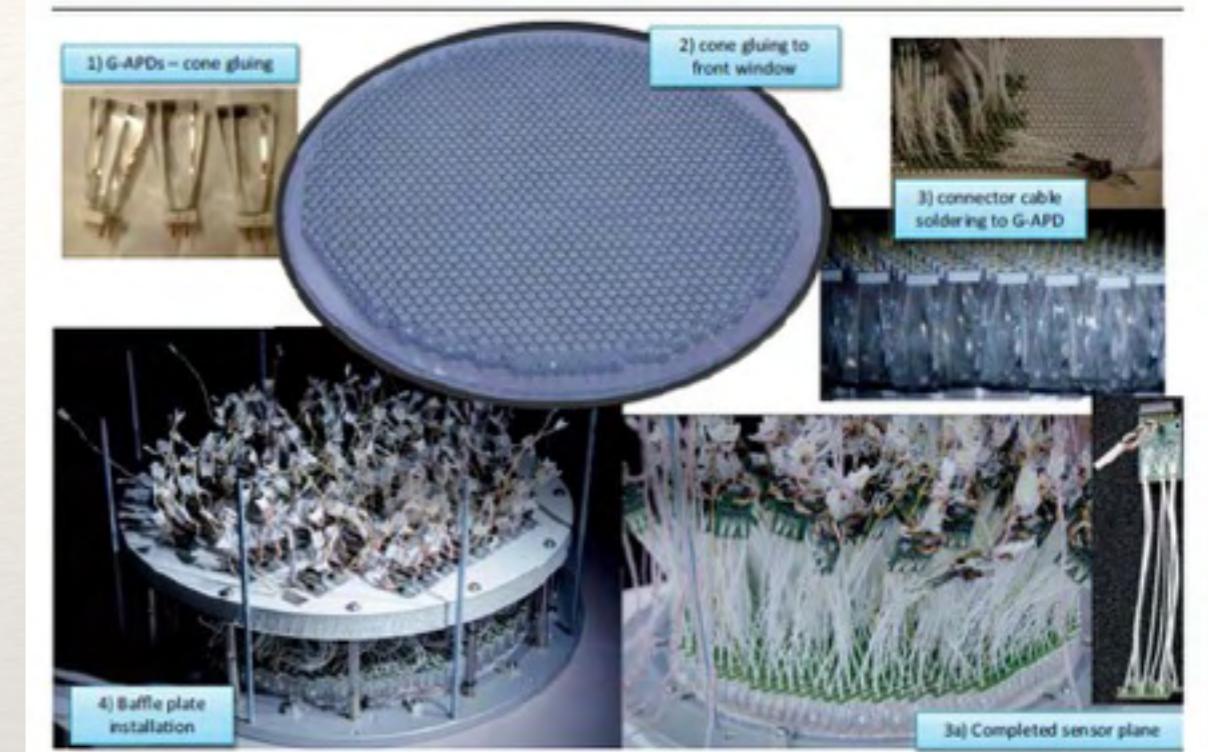
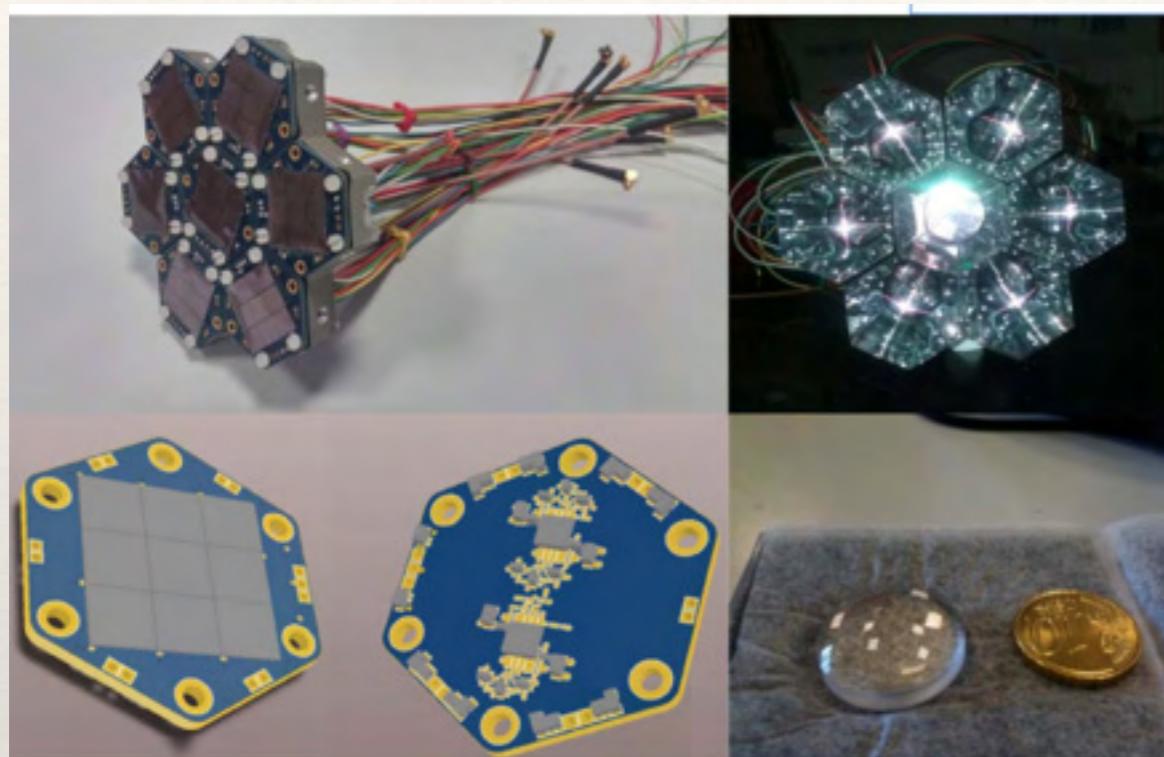
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And many others...

# Cherenkov light detection

Huge number of SiPMs

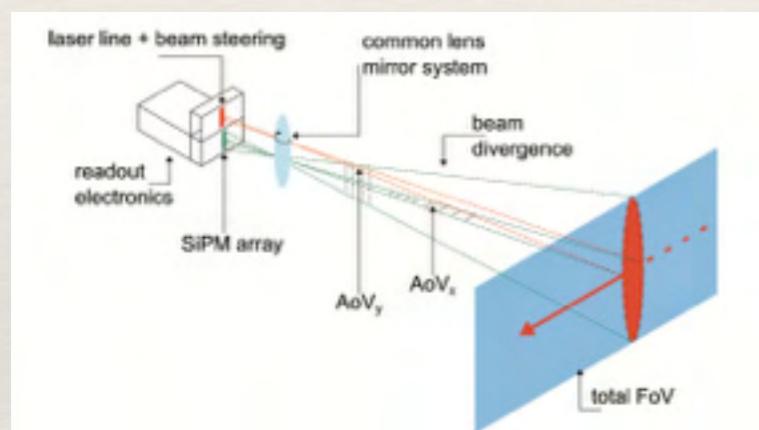


# LIDARs, Smart Cars

LIDAR - Light Identification Detection and Ranging

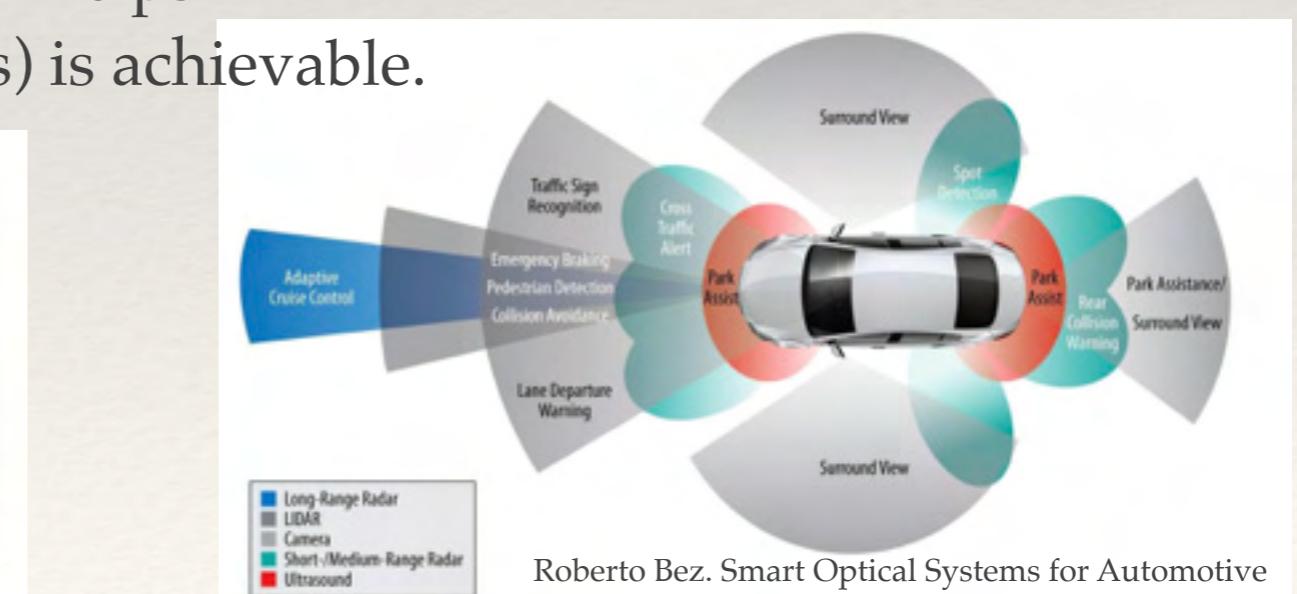
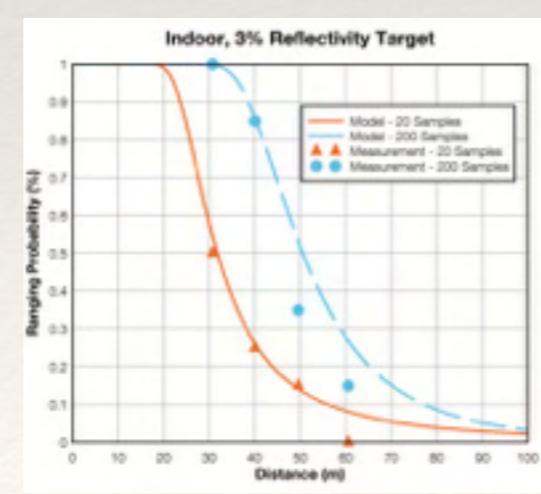
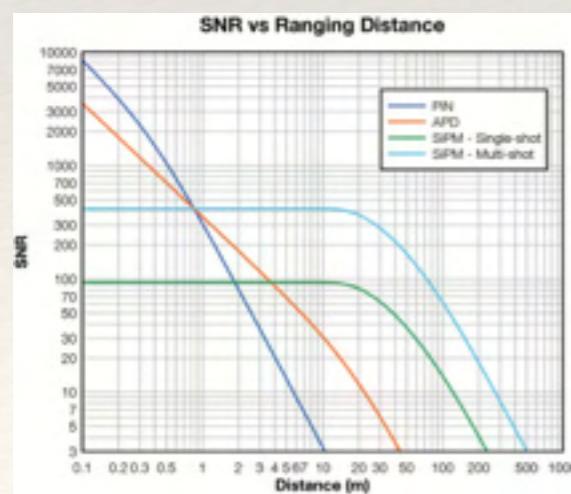


1x16 IR SiPM Array (SenseL)



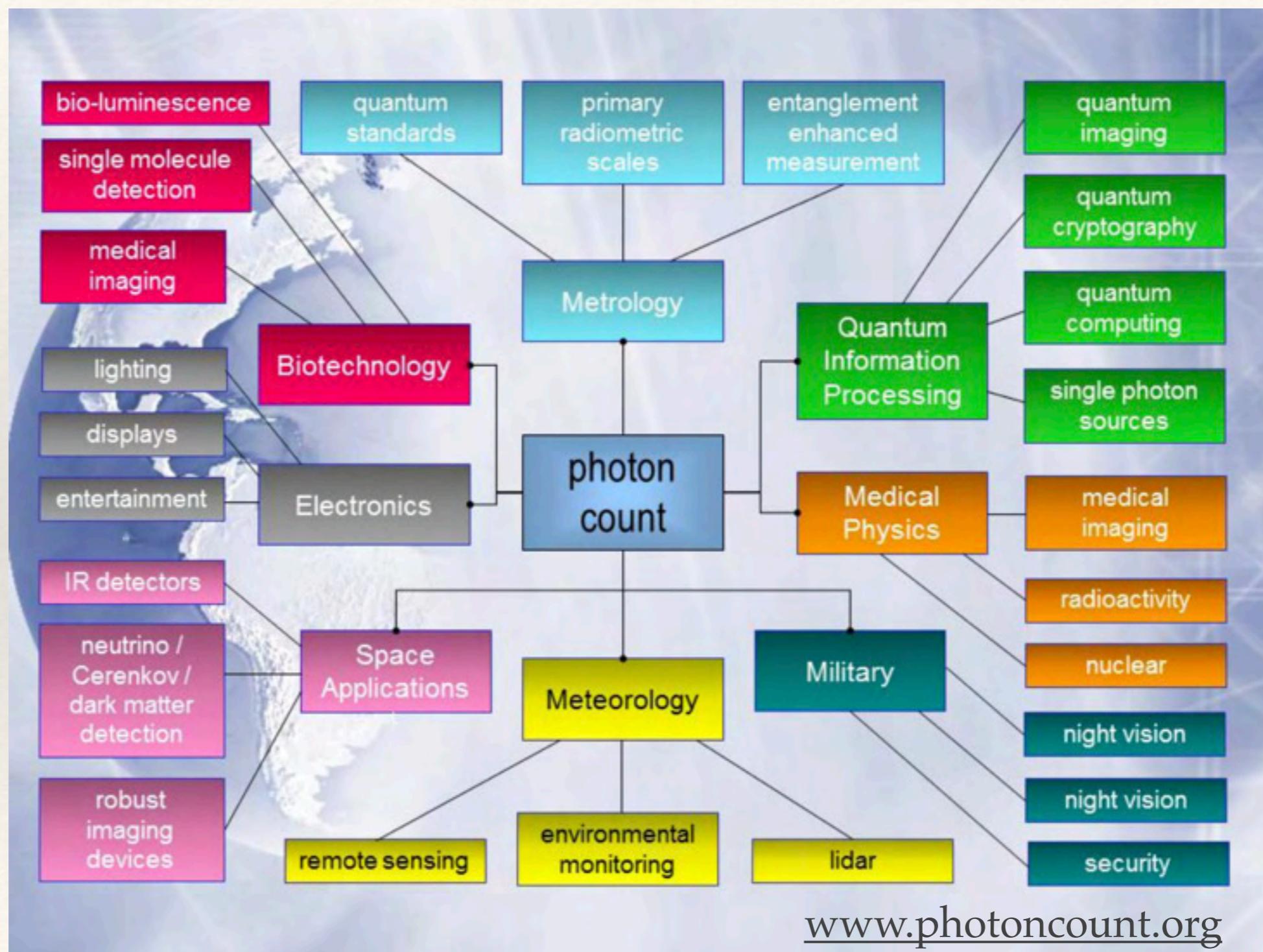
1 mm ~ 6 ps.

~cm (~100 ps) is achievable.



Roberto Bez. Smart Optical Systems for Automotive

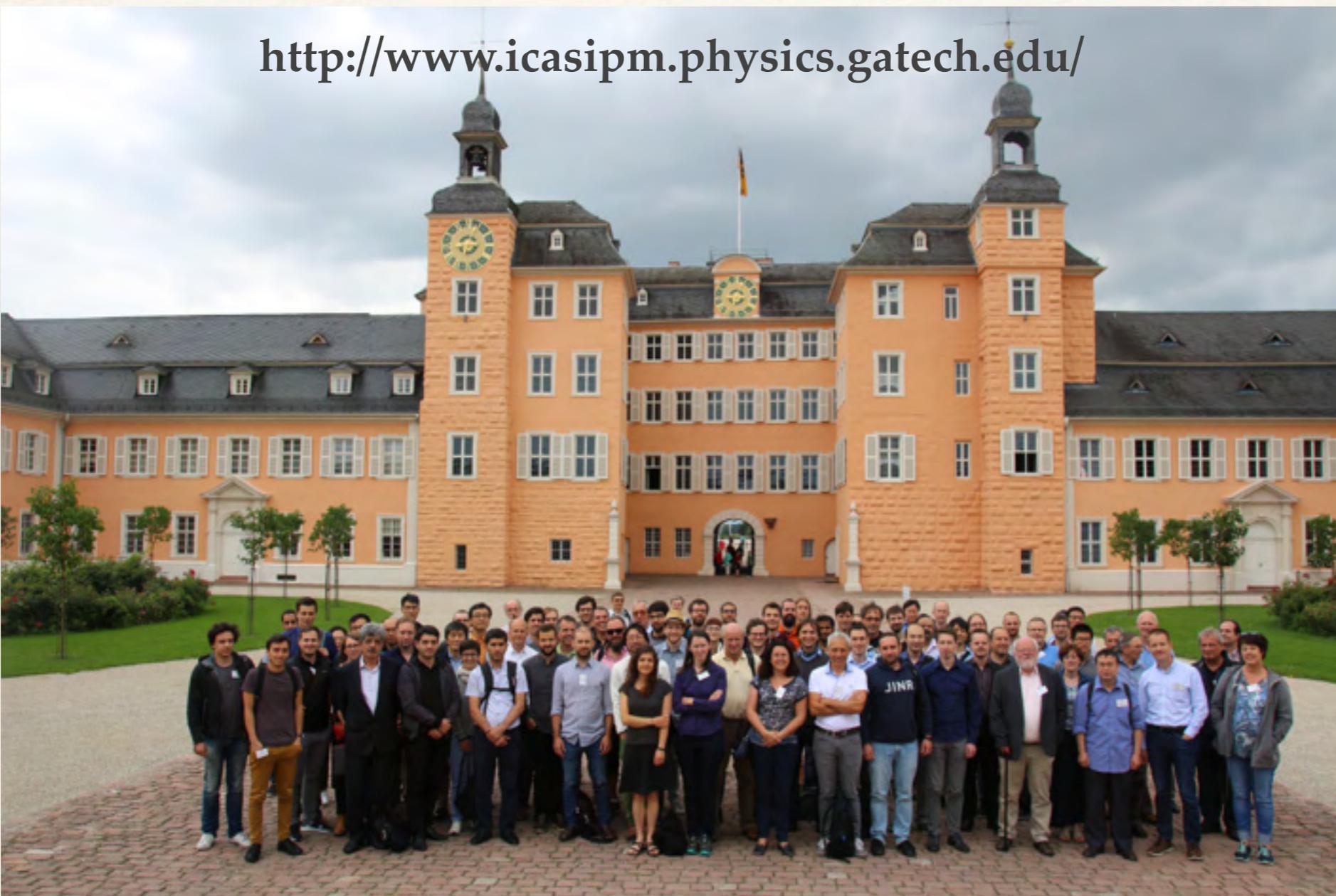
# Photon Counting



# International Conference on the Advancement of Silicon Photomultipliers

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<http://www.icasipm.physics.gatech.edu/>



Publication of proceedings as a HandBook is coming soon...