



超低物質量・高レート耐性 DLC-RPCの時間分解能

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Review of DLC-RPC

- **Ultra-low Mass**

- DLC based electrode

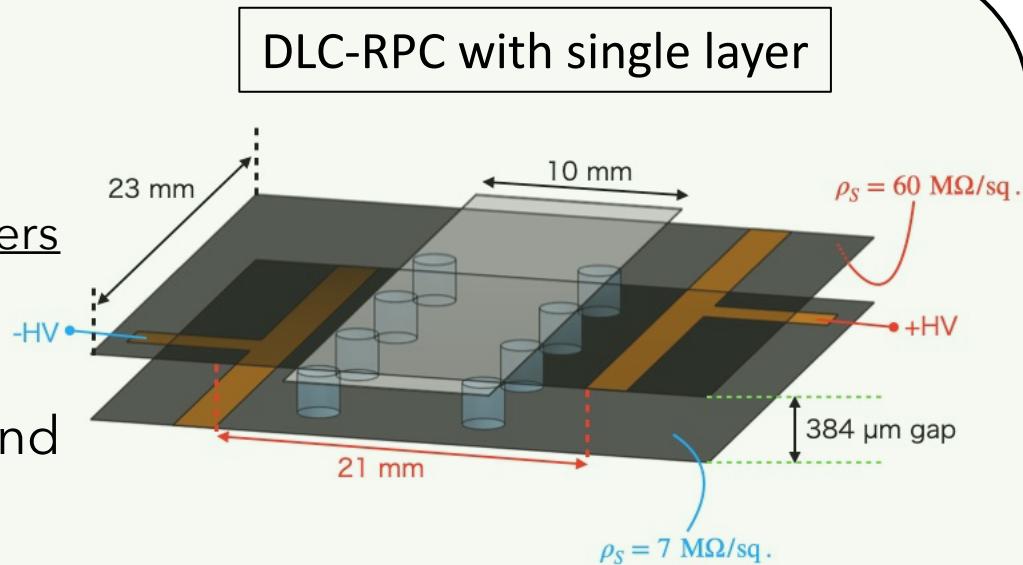
0.1 % radiation length with 4 layers

- **High-rate Capability**

- segmented HV supply and relatively low resistance

Over 1 MHz/cm²

- $\sigma_t = 160 - 170 \text{ ps}$ with single layer, 384 μm gap width



Related Talks :
6pA421-1(高橋)
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Optimization for timing

“Ultra-low mass × High-rate capability × Fast timing”

Why not use this technology for future detectors?

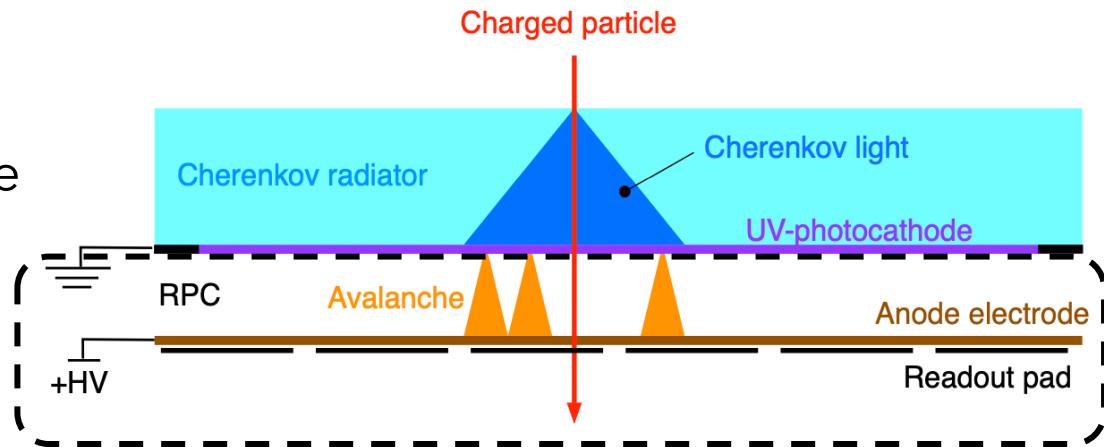
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Application to New Detectors

▪ Cherenkov Detector

- Electron multiplier usage
- Aiming to achieve
20 ~ 30 ps with
~10 photoelectron*



* : value of PICOSEC detector (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2021.165049>)
similar concept detector using micromegas for the electron multiplier

▪ Multigap-RPC (mRPC) consists of DLC-RPC

- Aiming for good time resolution (~ 40 ps) & efficiency (99 %) by stacking DLC-RPC
- Motivation triggered by development of elemental technology for the successor to MEG II

Related Talks : 7pA442-1(横田), 7pA442-2(池田)

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Strategy

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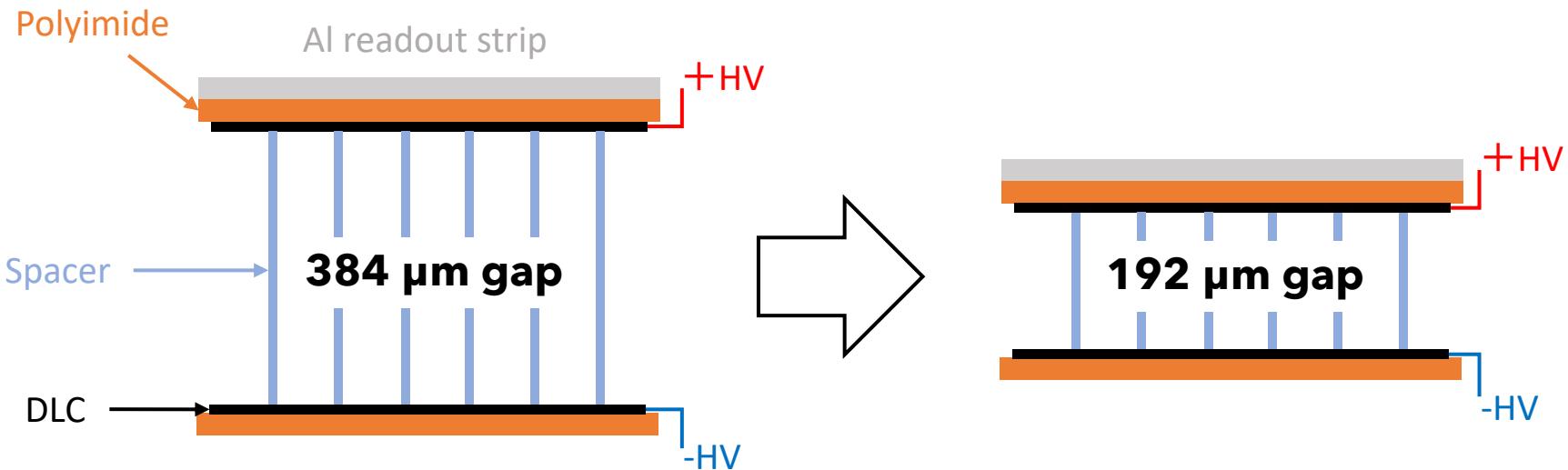
$$\bullet \sigma_t \approx \frac{1.28}{(\alpha - \eta) \cdot v_{\text{drift}}} \quad \text{ref. } \textcolor{blue}{\text{https://doi.org/10.1016/S0168-9002(03)00337-1}}$$

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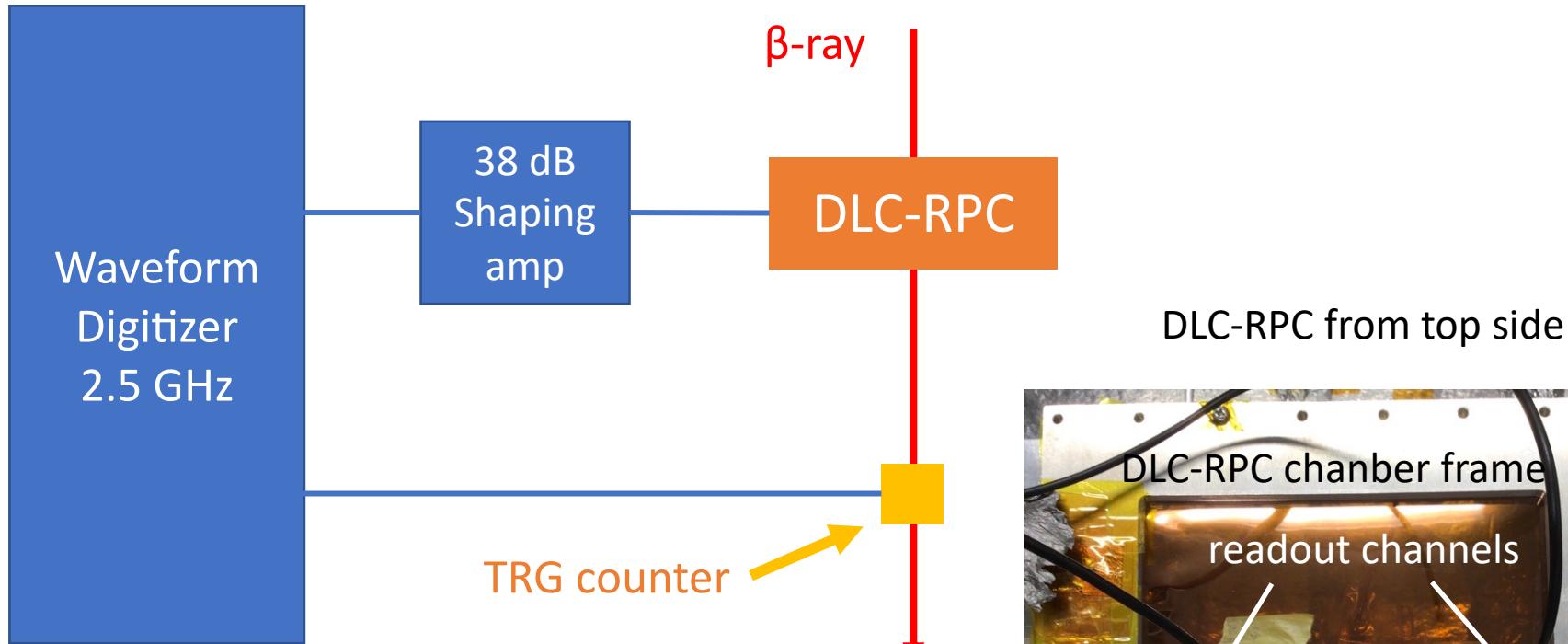
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- Smaller gap → Larger E field → Better time resolution



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Setup



■ HV scan

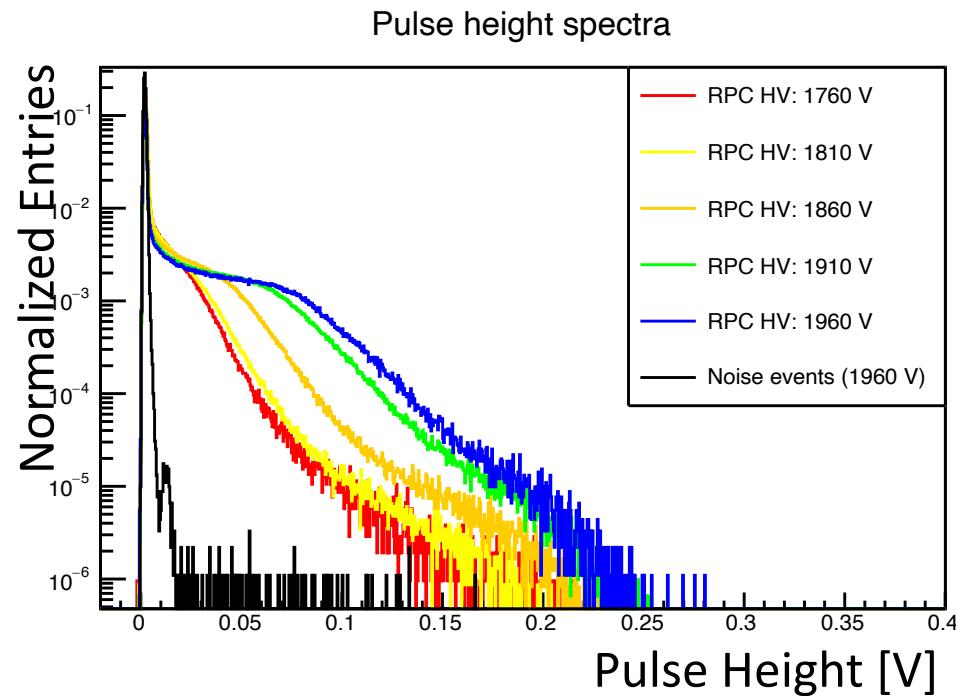
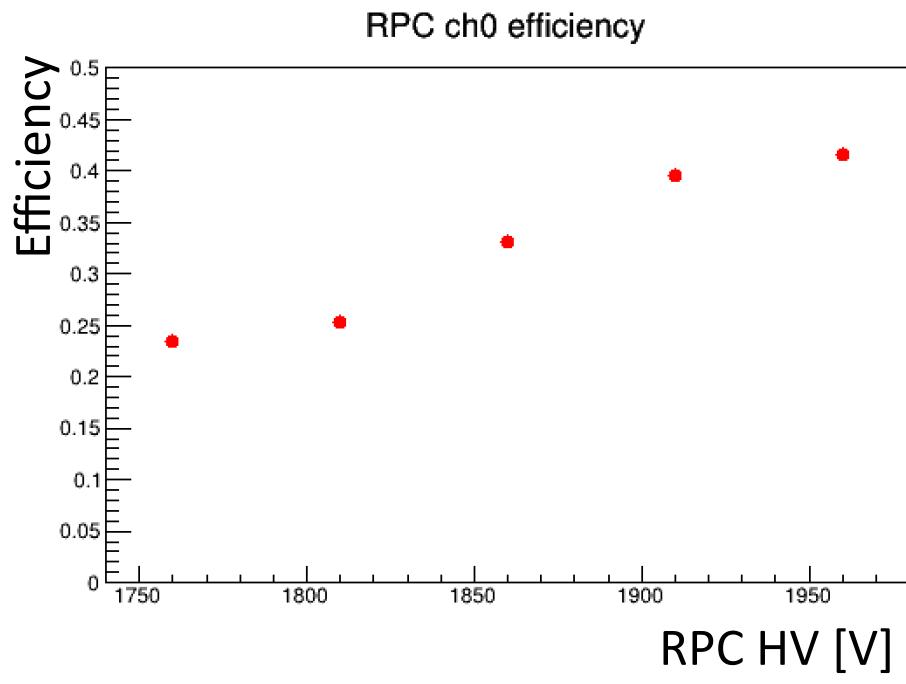
- From 1760 V to 1960 V by 50 V step

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Efficiency

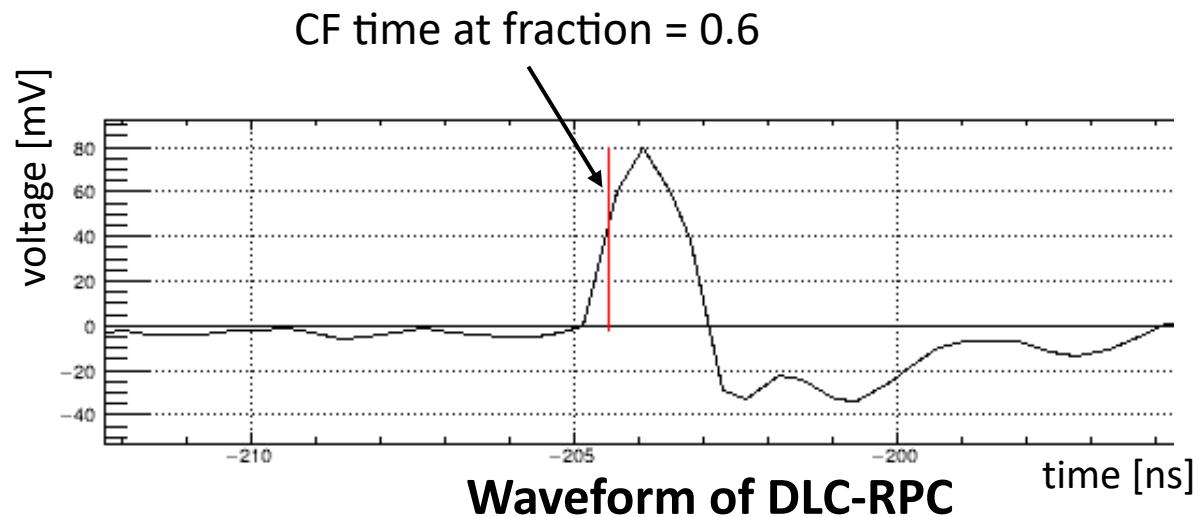
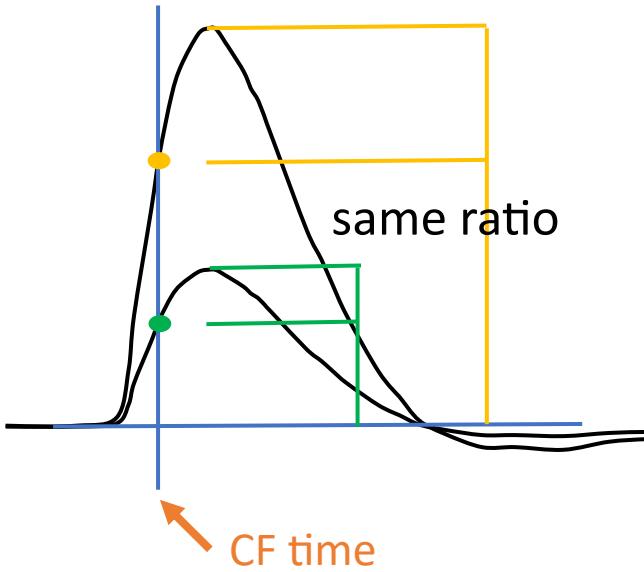
- **41.5 % signal efficiency was achieved at 1960 V**
 - Threshold was set to 5 mV considering noise level
 - 0.1 % noise contamination



Time Resolution

■ Constant Fraction (CF) Method

- if pulse shape is similar in the height direction, constant fraction time will be the same
→ time walk can be suppressed



Time Resolution

■ Fraction choice

- Best time resolution achieved at fraction = 0.6

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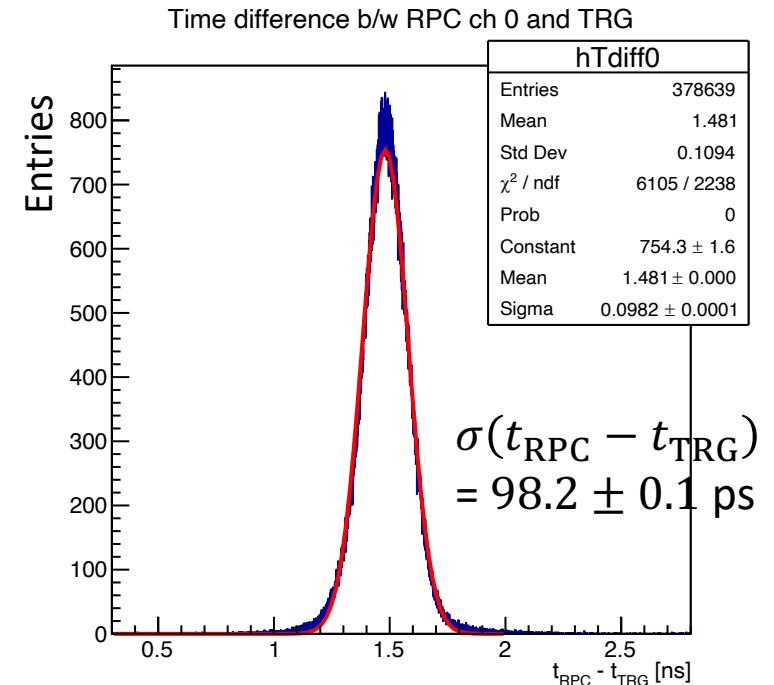
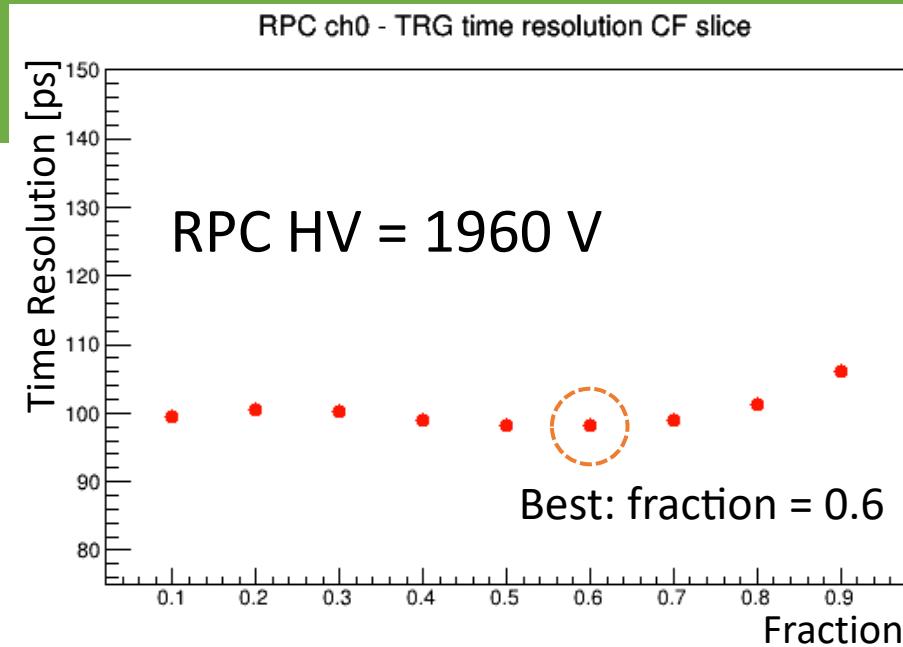
- HV = 1960 V

- Threshold = 5 mV

- Fraction = 0.6

$$\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}} - t_{\text{TRG}}) = 98.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ ps}$$

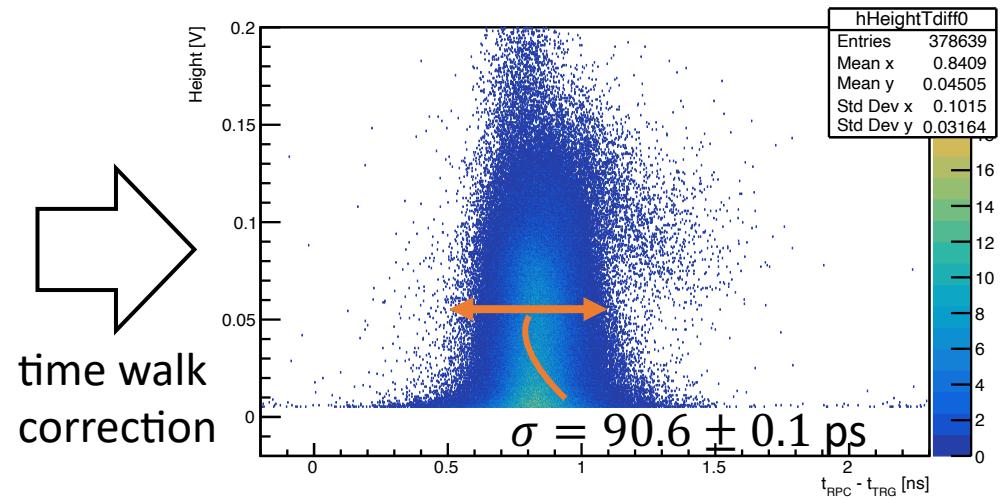
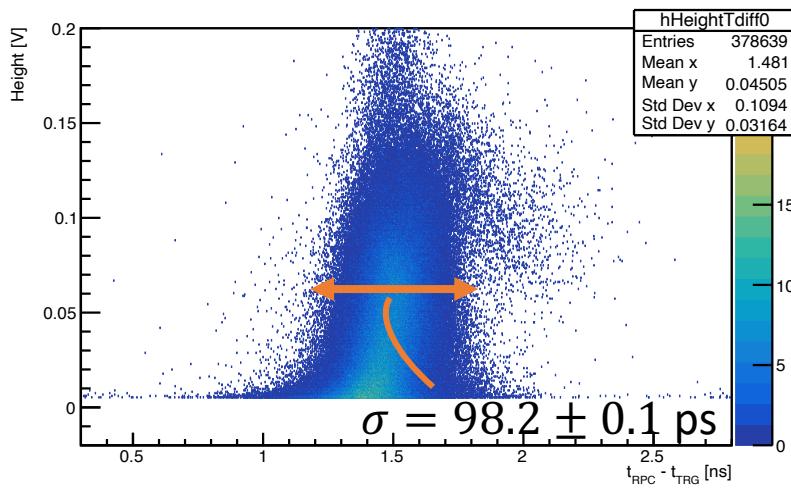
was achieved



Time Resolution

- Even after the CF method, time walk still exists...

- After time walk correction, $\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}} - t_{\text{TRG}}) = 90.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ ps}$
 - Correction function = $\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}} - t_{\text{TRG}}) - (\text{pulse height} \times 0.042)^{0.068}$



Time Resolution

■ Intrinsic time resolution

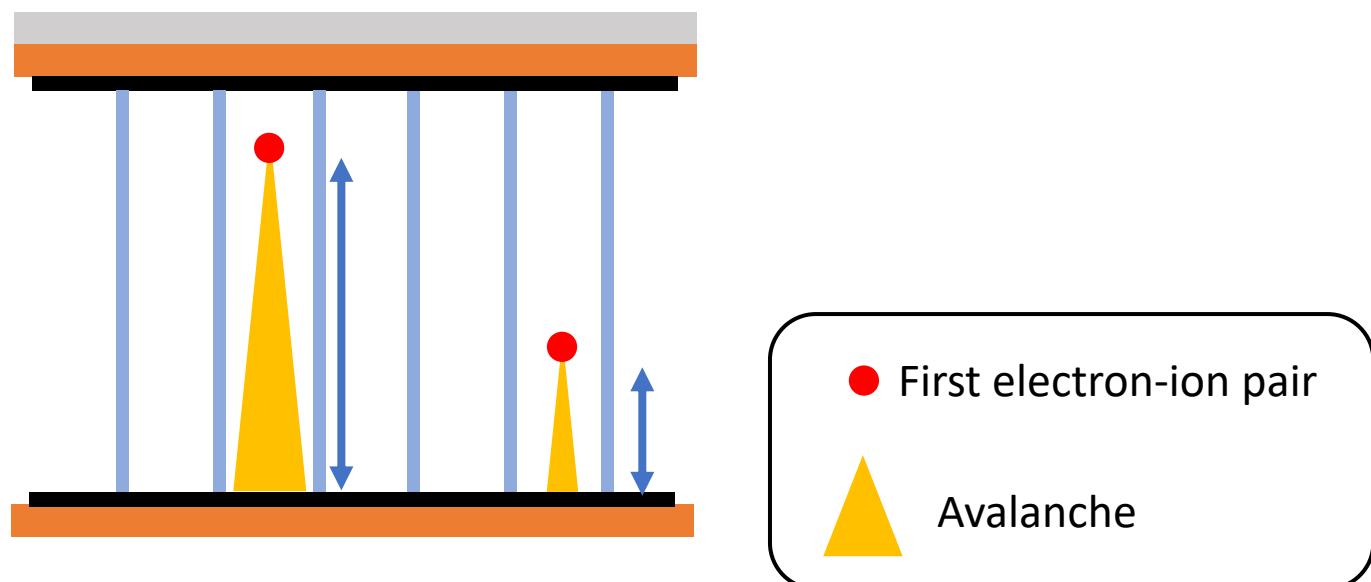
- $\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}}) = \sigma(t_{\text{RPC}} - t_{\text{TRG}}) \ominus \sigma(t_{\text{TRG}}) = 84.5 \pm 0.3 \text{ ps}$
 - ✓ Time resolution of trigger counter was measured to be
 $\sigma(t_{\text{TRG}}) = 32.7 \pm 0.7 \text{ ps}$

■ Comparison with $\sigma_t \approx \frac{1.28}{(\alpha-\eta) \cdot v_{\text{drift}}}$

- $\sigma_t \approx 70 \text{ ps at } E = \frac{1960 \text{ V}}{192 \mu\text{m}} \sim 1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ V/cm}$
- $\sigma_t \approx 190 \text{ ps at } E = \frac{2750 \text{ V}}{384 \mu\text{m}} \sim 7.2 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$
 - This estimation has factor level of deviation
 - Roughly showing comparable behavior

Time Resolution

- **Height slice of $\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}})$** : with application to CD
 - longer amplification distance \sim larger pulse height event

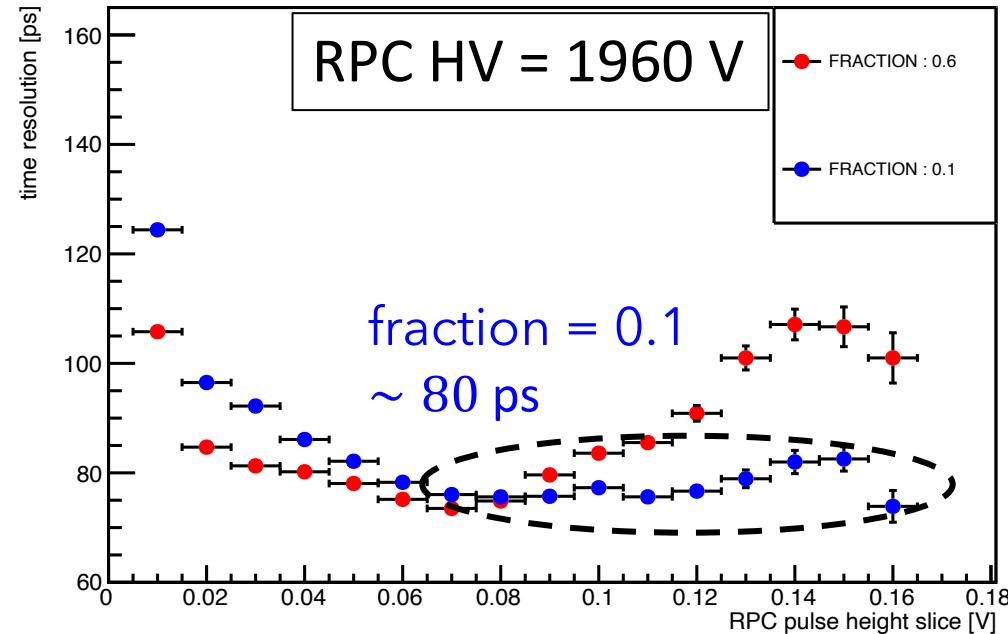


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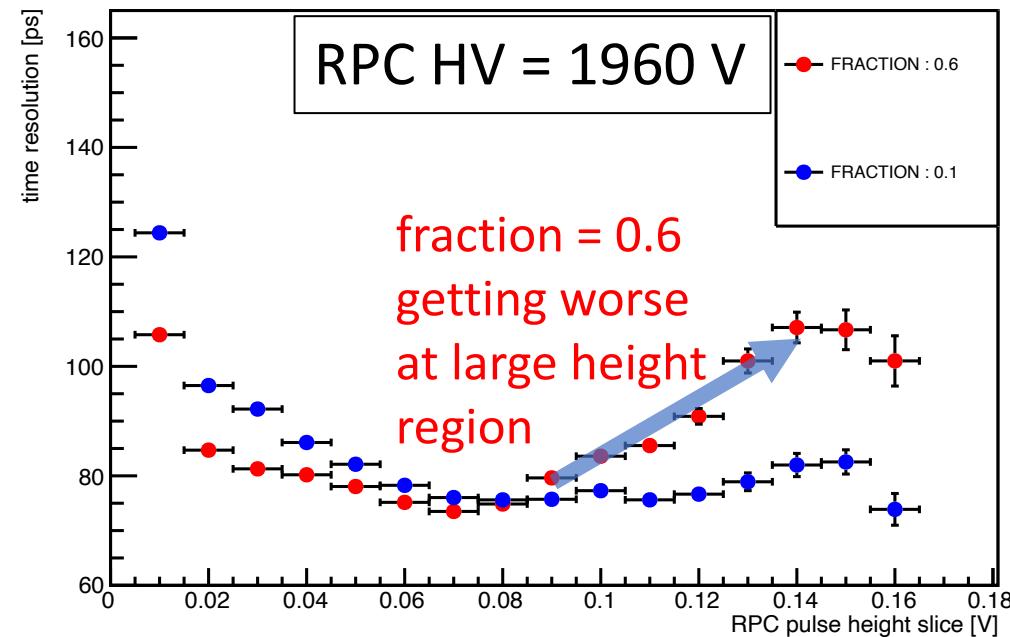
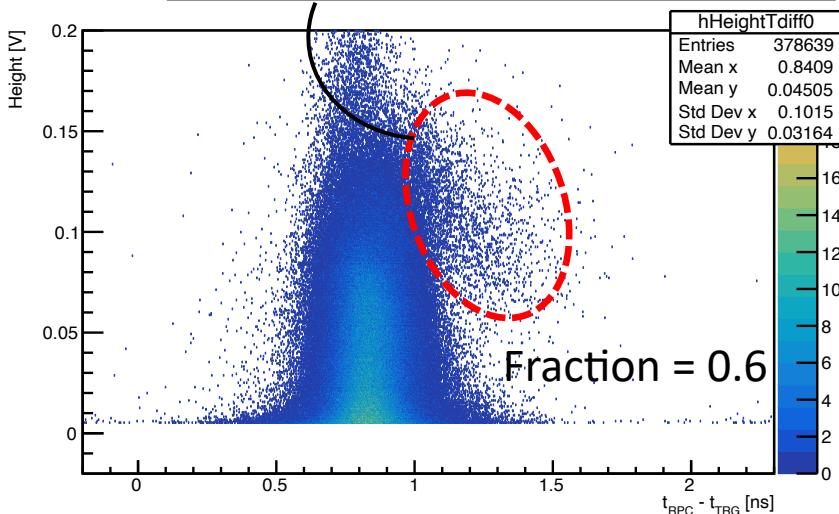
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What is happening here?
► furthur study with simulation



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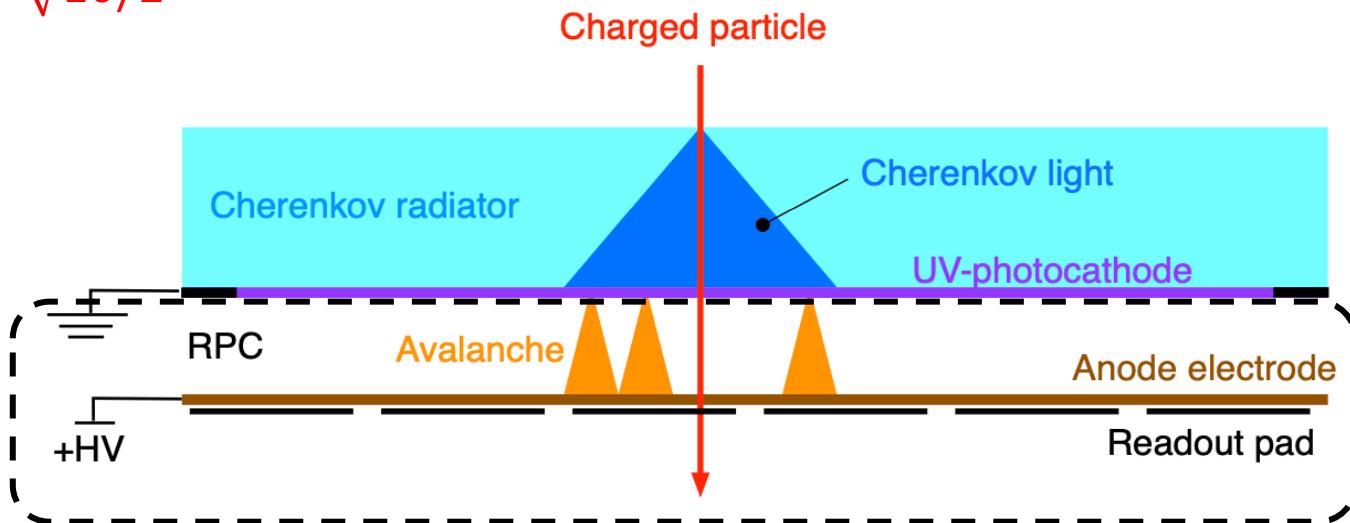
Performance Estimation

■ Cherenkov Detector (CD)

- $\sigma(t_{\text{RPC}}) \sim 80 \text{ ps}$ at large pulse height events
 - Average ~ 2 primary electrons per cluster*
- Assuming ~ 10 p.e. comes out of the photocathode

$$\sigma(t_{\text{CD}}) \sim \frac{80}{\sqrt{10/2}} \sim 36 \text{ ps}$$

* : roughly calculated from
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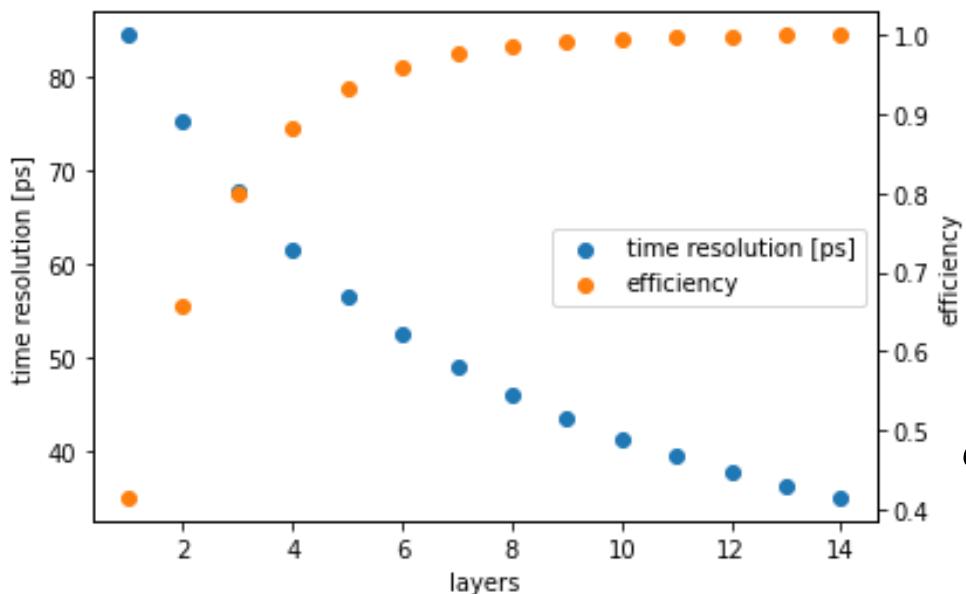


Performance Estimation

mRPC

- Assuming $\sigma_1 = 84.5$ ps, $\epsilon_1 = 41.5$ % as time resolution and efficiency for single layer, ϵ_n and σ_n for n layers:

$$\epsilon_n = 1 - (1 - \epsilon_1)^n, \quad \sigma_n = \frac{\sigma_1}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{\epsilon_1^k (1-\epsilon_1)^{n-k}}{1-(1-\epsilon_1)^n} \right)^{1/2}}$$



11 layers will be needed to achieve $\sigma_t = 40$ ps and efficiency = 99%

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Summary

- By shorten the gap width of DLC-RPC to 192 μm , better time resolution is achieved at HV = 1960 V

	DLC-RPC Prototype for MEG II	This study
gap width [μm]	384	192
HV [V]	2750	1960
efficiency	$\sim 60\%$	41.5 %
$\sigma(\text{RPC})$ [ps]	160 ~ 170	84.5 ± 0.3

- Application of DLC-RPC to future detectors were discussed

Prospects

- **Further understanding of DLC-RPC**
 - Simulation study of DLC-RPC
 - Stack to multilayers
- **Application to Cherenkov Detector**
 - DLC-RPC operation using UV photo-cathode

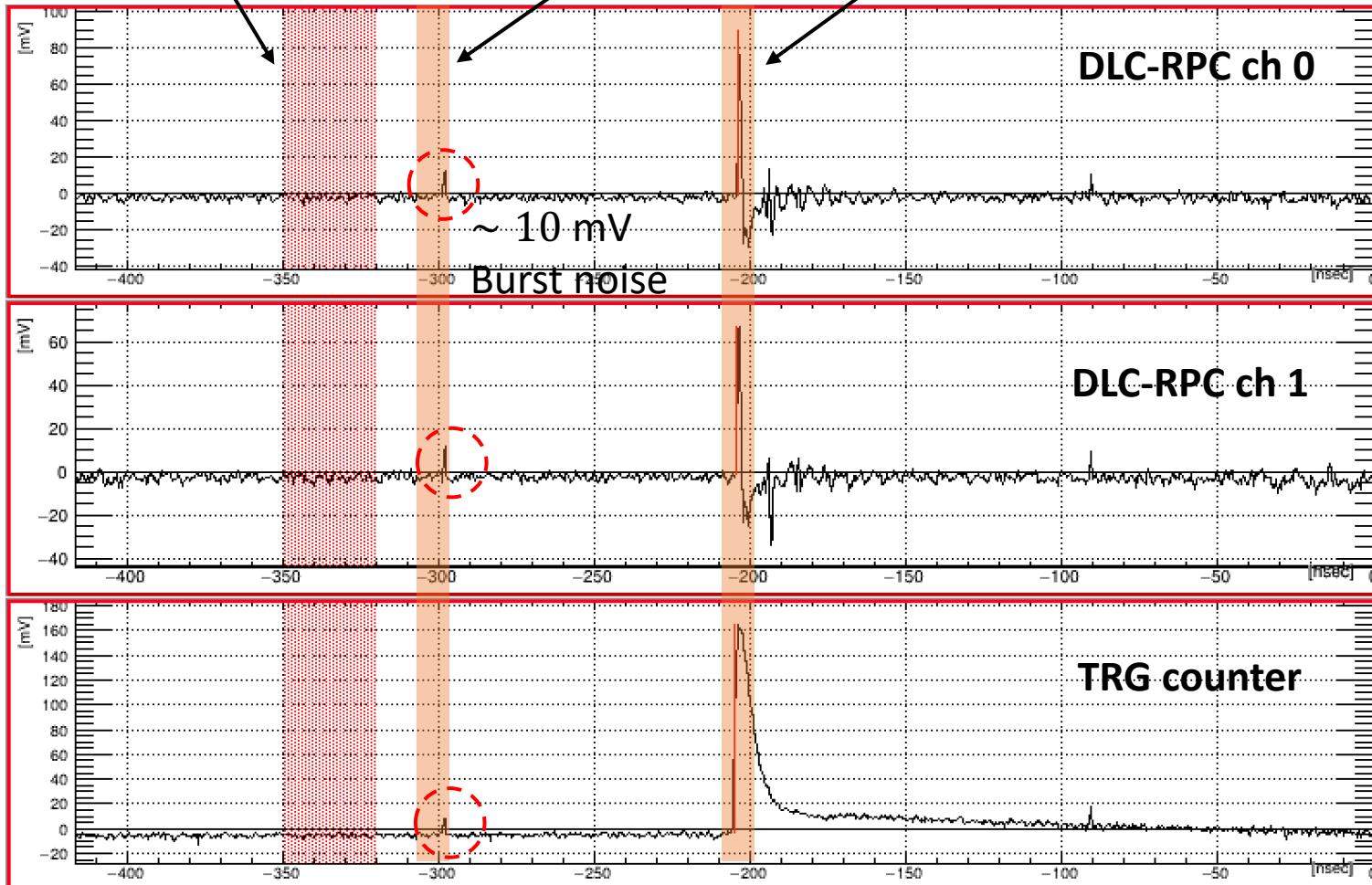
Backups

10 mV peak at noise height distribution

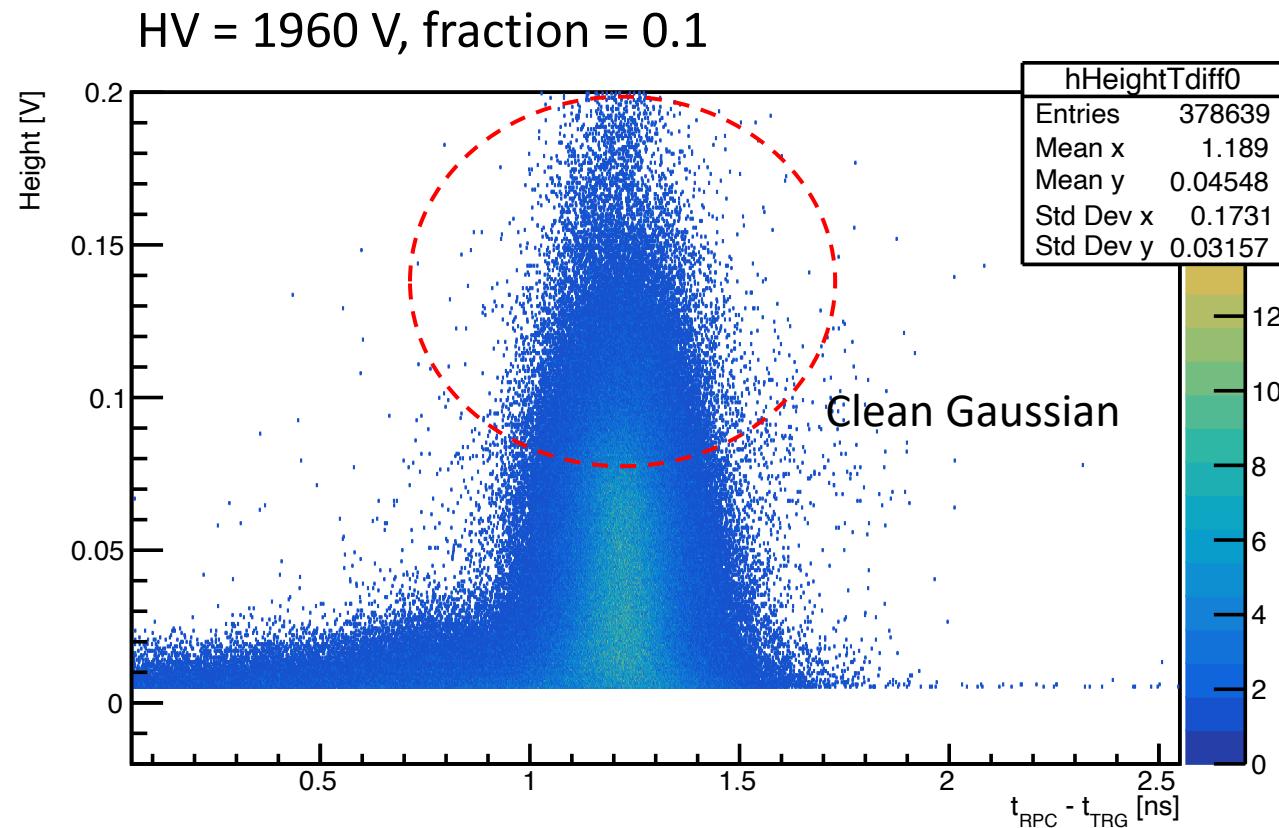
Baseline definition region

Noise time window

Signal time window (10 ns)



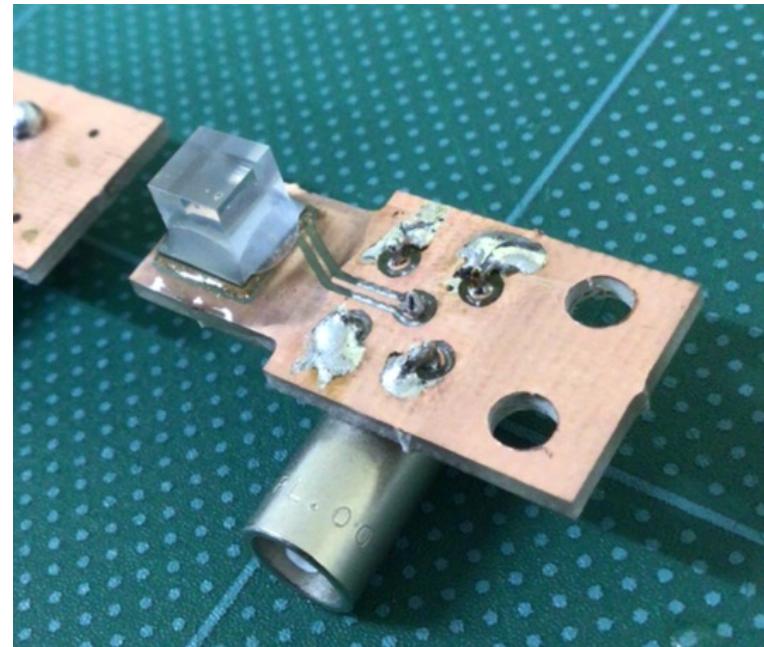
$\sigma(t_{RPC} - t_{TRG})$ vs Pulse Height : CF = 0.1



TRG counter

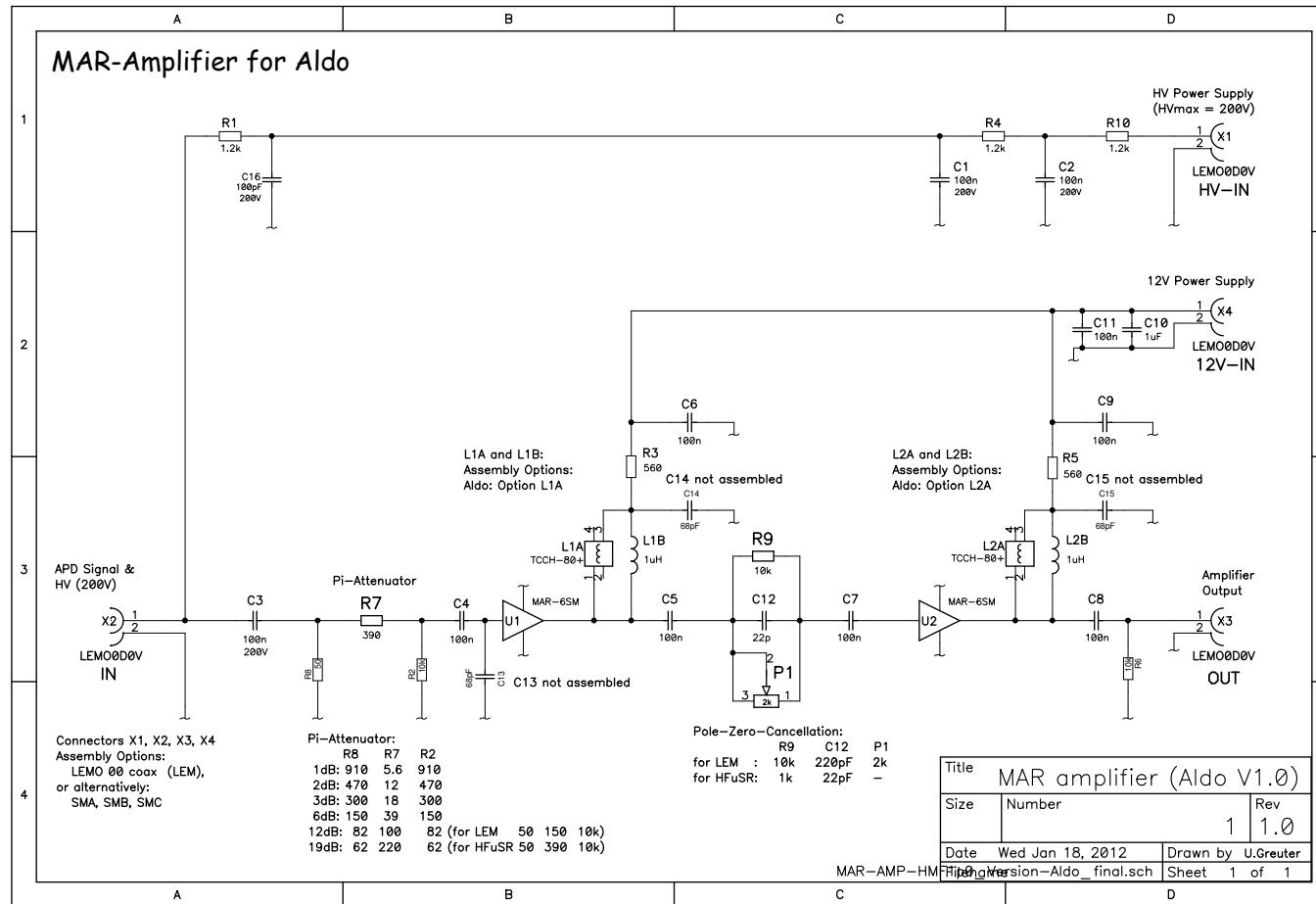
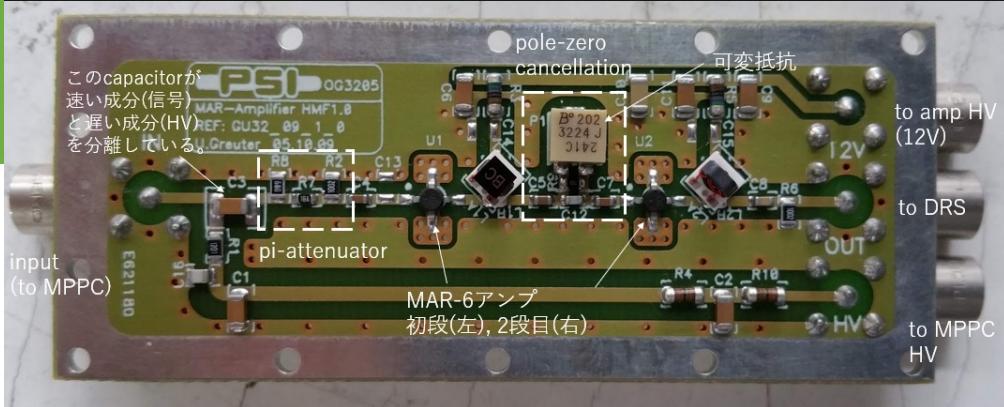
- **MPPC + plastic scintillator**

- MPPC : S14160-6050HS
 - ref: https://www.hamamatsu.com/jp/ja/product/optical-sensors/mppc/mppc_mppc-array/S14160-6050HS.html
 - OP voltage : 39.9 V
- Scintillator : EJ-232 (FAST TIMING PLASTIC SCINTILLATOR)
 - ref: <https://eljentechnology.com/products/plastic-scintillators/ej-232-ej-232q>
- $\sigma(\text{TRG}) = 32.7 \pm 0.7 \text{ ps}$



Amplifier

■ PSI amp



Gain : 38 dB
PZC : 1.75 kΩ

Structure of DLC-RPC

