

Measurement of  
large-aperture photo-detectors  
in a water tank

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\*HPD = Hybrid PhotoDetector

- Installation report

- 8-inch HPDs\* and 20-inch high-QE PMTs were installed in a 200-ton water tank in summer 2013.

- Measurement status

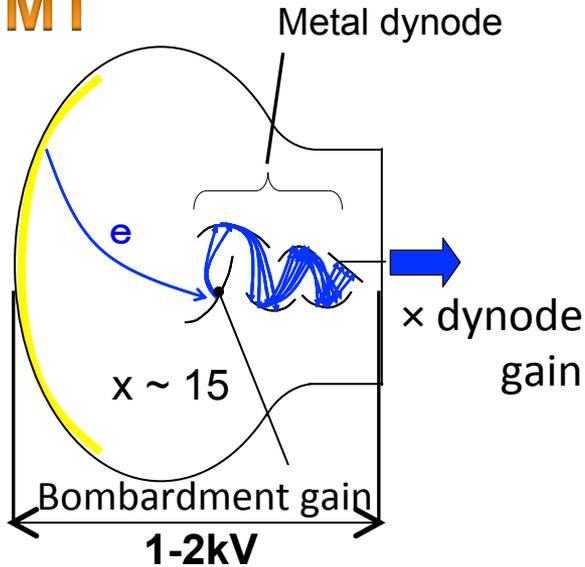
- Calibration and monitor are going on.
- Long run will start soon.

- R&D of new 20-inch photo-detectors

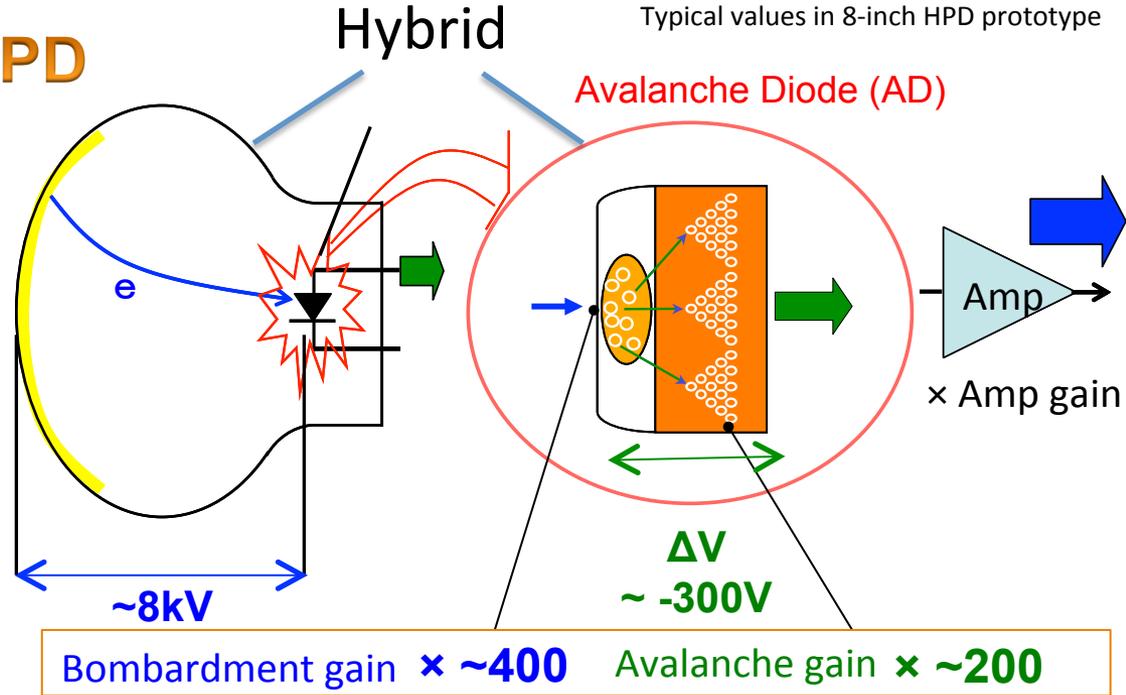
- High-QE box and line PMT
  - High-QE HPD
- } Now being developed  
in Hamamatsu photonics  
Tested soon in Kamioka

# Hybrid PhotoDetector (HPD)

## PMT



## HPD



Typical values in 8-inch HPD prototype

	PMT (20")	HPD (8")
HV	1-2kV	$\sim 8kV$
Gain	$\sim 10^7$	$\sim 10^4 - 10^5$
C.E.	$\sim 80\%$	$\sim 97\%$

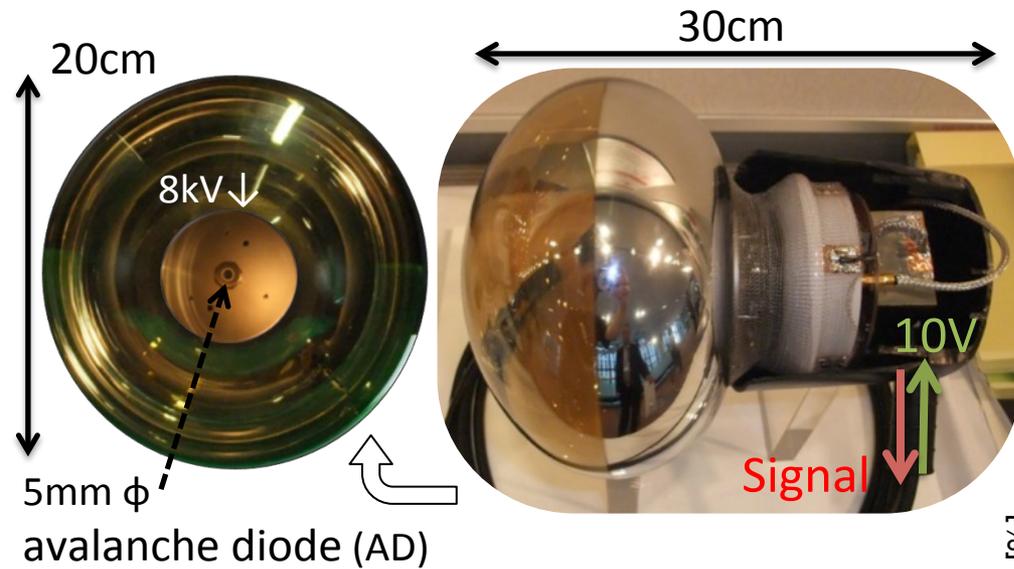
Same photo cathode (Q.E.)

High voltage around 8kV is required

{ to collect electrons in the small region of AD (5-20mm)  
to increase gain at electron-bombardment

- High performance and low cost
- However, factors to consider for viability in Hyper-K are:
  - Dark noise from AD + Amp., HV around 8kV, low gain, thermal dependence of AD gain, No prior experience using

# Two options for 1st proof test



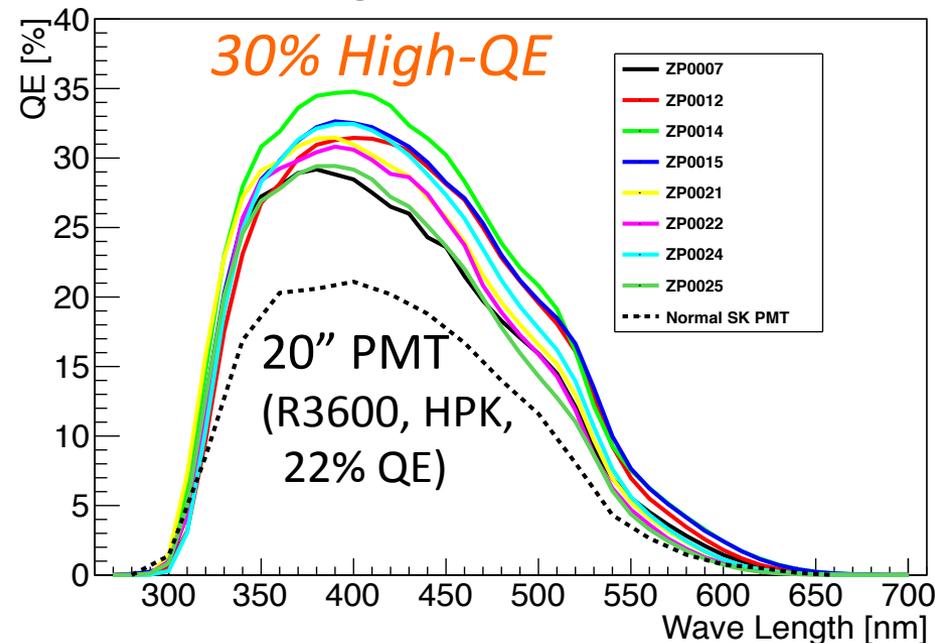
## 8-inch HPD

- HV module and preamplifier were built-in.
- Precalibrate 10 HPDs, install **8 HPDs** into tank.

## 20-inch High QE PMT

- Same design as R3600 used for Super-K, except for photocathode
- Precalibrate 8 PMTs in advance, installed **5 HQE PMTs** into tank.
- High QE is upgrade option for all photodetectors

QE of 8 High-QE PMTs at Kamioka





# Installation flow in 2013 summer

Constructed floating floor on water



Cabling in tank



Installation

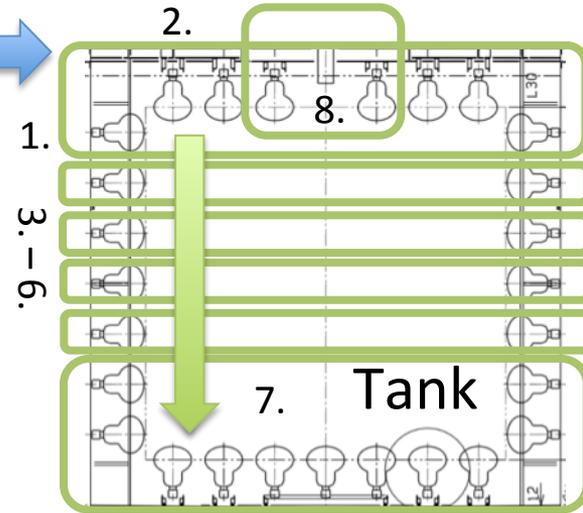


Photo-detector assembly

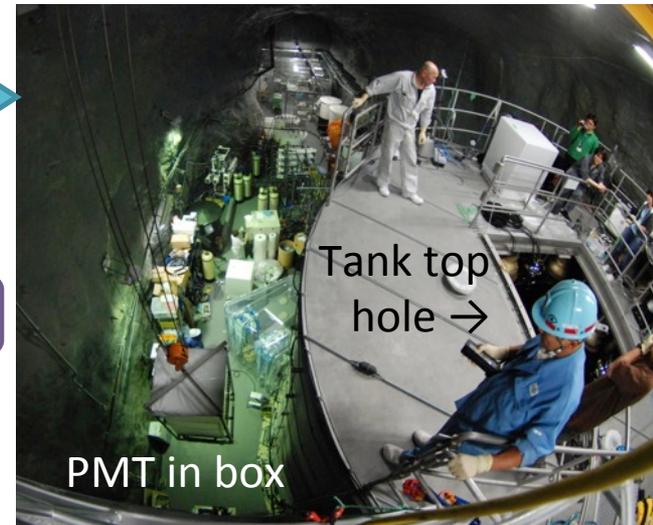


PMT check

Connection check

Outside of tank

Signal check



# Assembly of HPD supporter

- Assembly for EGADS is based on Super-K. (NOT for Hyper-K)

Barrel HPD

Top / bottom HPD

Assembly



Tank

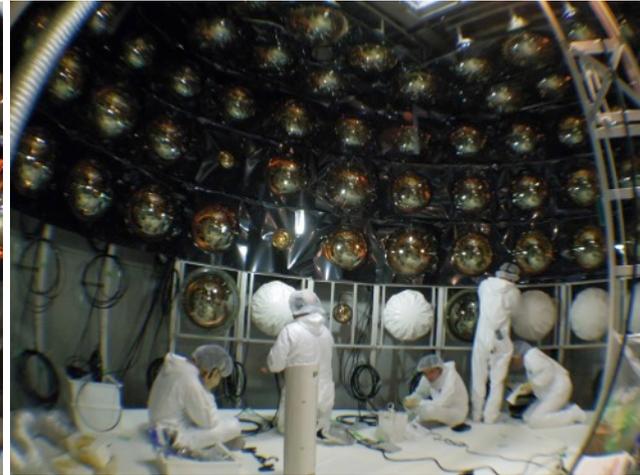


# Installation into tank

Top, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> barrel



Barrel



Barrel HPD



Bottom HPD



Bottom



Installation  
from top  
to bottom

18 Jul – 8 Aug 2013

# Tank closing

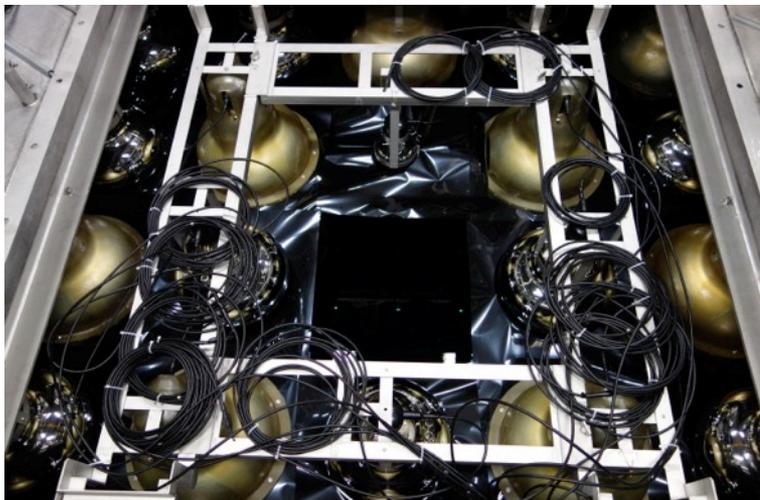
Water filling for top installation



PMT mounting on boat

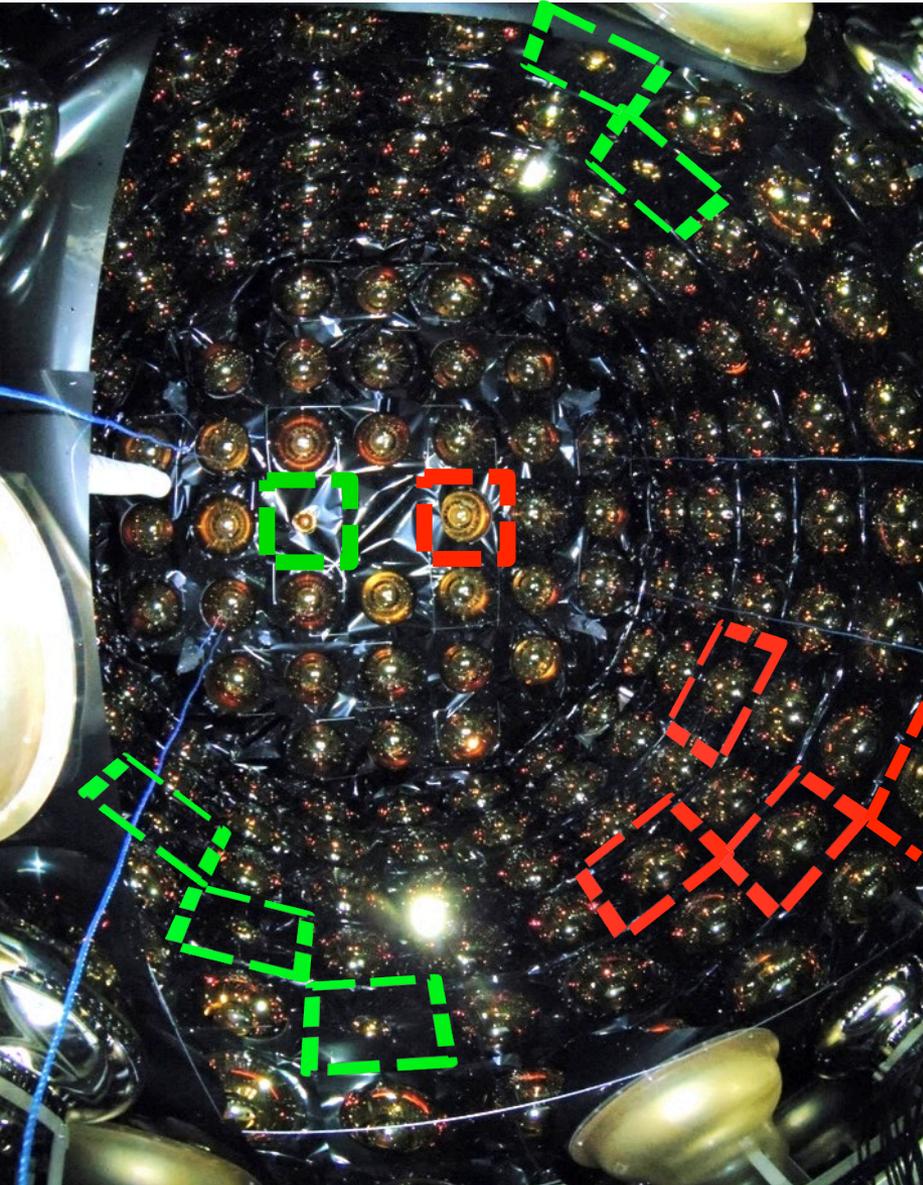


Closing hatch



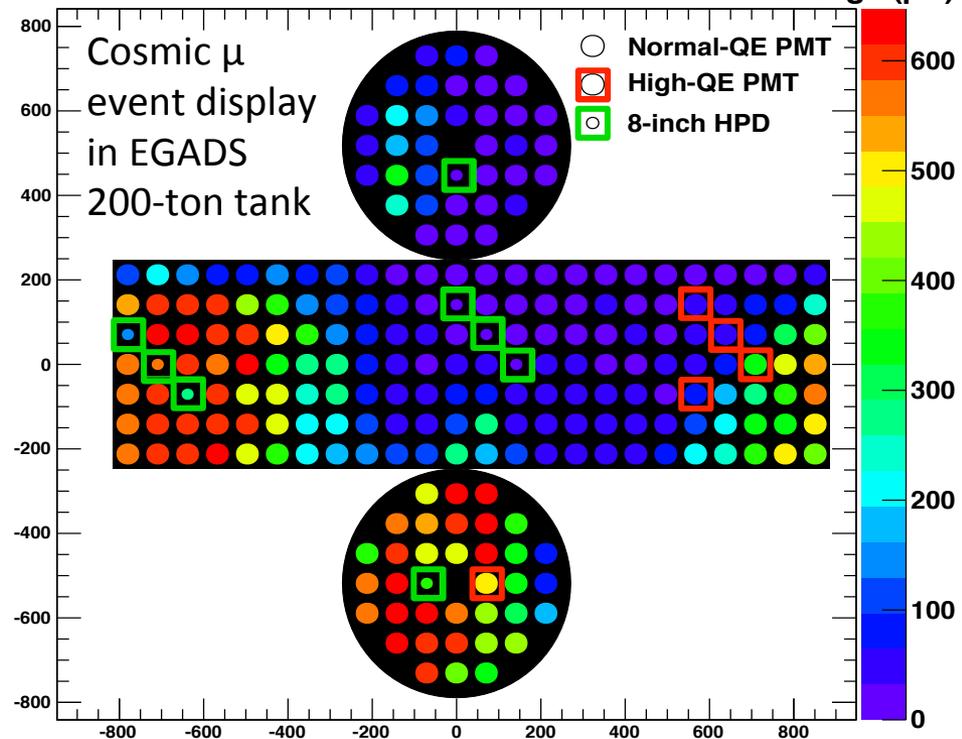
Finished installation on 13 Aug.  
First DAQ in the end of Aug.

# View of photodetectors in tank



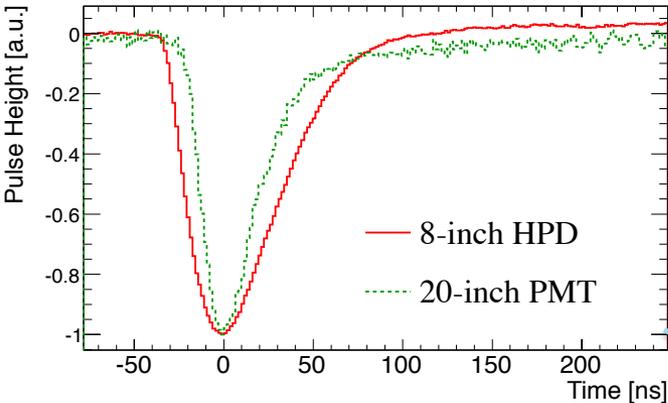
227 Super-K PMT (20")  
+ 5 High-QE PMT (20")  
+ 8 HPD (8")

Observed cosmic ray muon!

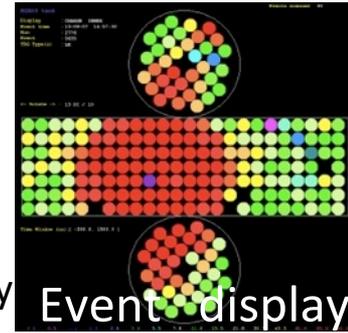


# DAQ and electronics

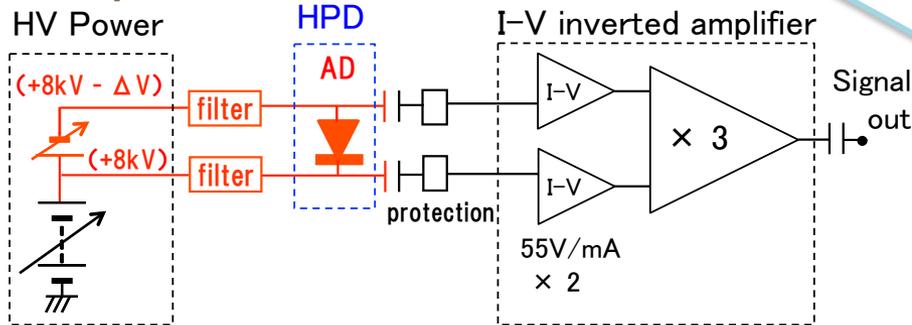
Signal from HPD, PMT



- Trigger is issued by sum of hits.
- 1 hit = 1 HPD (PMT) with any p.e.s
- HPD/(HQE) PMT share same DAQ.
- Because of different 1 p.e. and Q.E. level, board is prepared for these PDs separately



## Preamplifier and HV - Inside of HPD -

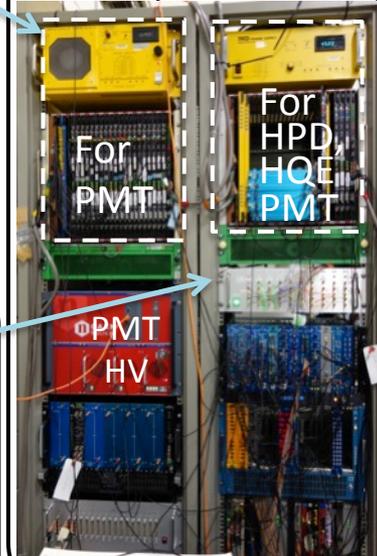


## DAQ of charge + time

**ATM** (Analog Timing Module)

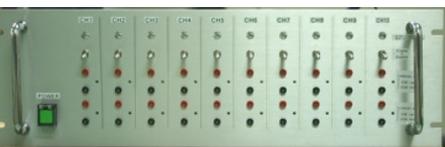
12ch x (2TAC+2QAC) → ADC

used in old SK



- 1 board for HPD (8/12ch)**
- 1 for HQE PMT (5/12ch)**
- Trigger threshold is set by each board (0-12mV)
- Set threshold separately (0.25p.e. in PMT case, 0.5p.e. in HPD case)

\*) ATM replaced with QBEE(current SK board) later



## Control Power Supply

**4 HV control lines (<1mA, 5V)**

- HV control (0 - 4V out)
- AD bias control (0 - 4V out)
- Latch up monitor (+5V in)
- Enable switch (+5V out)

**2 Power supply lines (10V)**

- For HV unit and Pre-amp. (<500mA) + GND

# Slow control and monitor system

Developed by Okajima-kun

- Monitor control voltage for 8kV and AD bias, temperature in 4 HPDs, over current status, temperature around DAQ.

- AD gain and ATM depends on temperature.

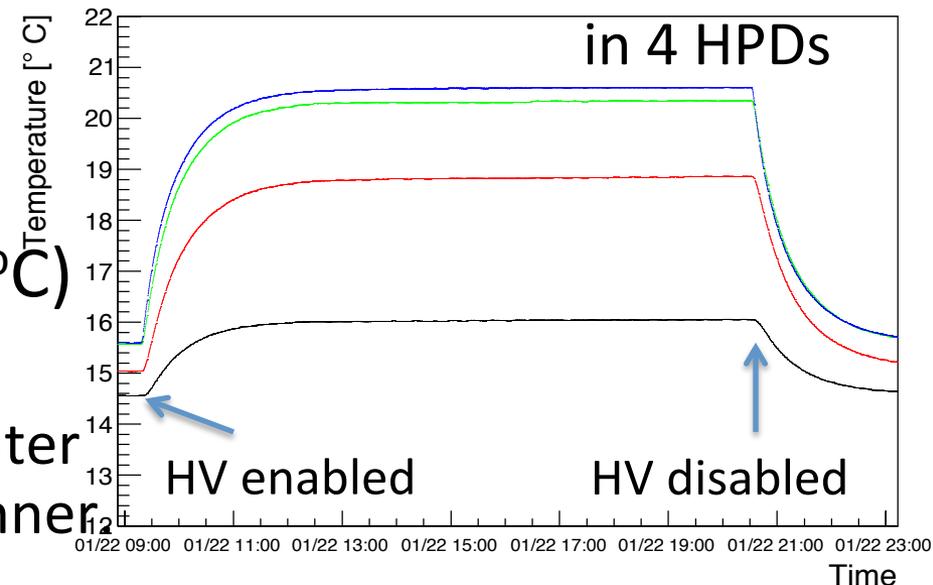
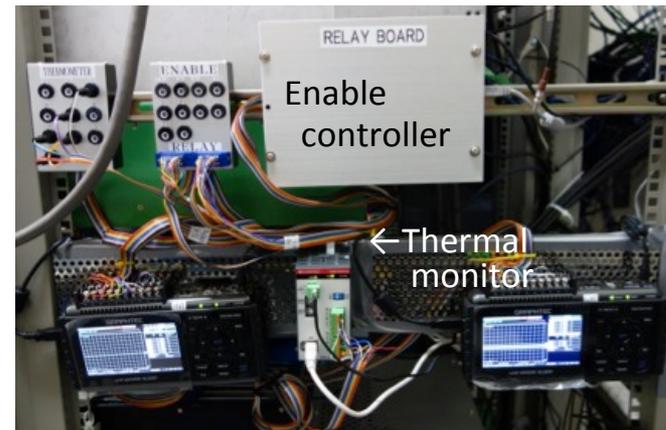
▶ To study thermal dependence of HPD performance.

- Observed 2-6 °C increase in HPD compared to water (13°C)

- Take 3-4 hours for stabilization

- Design of heat radiator into water is required in future for HPD inner

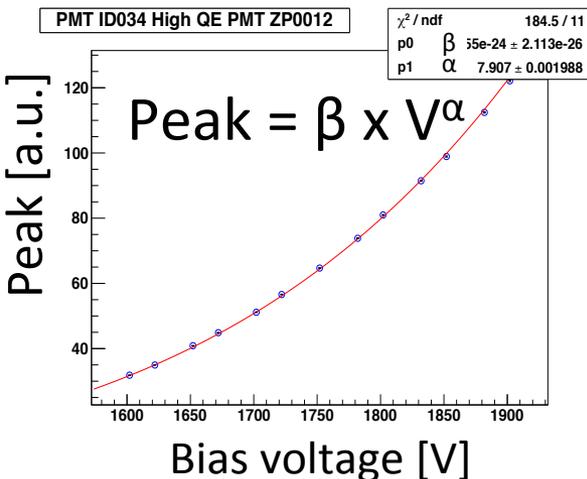
Slow control for HPD



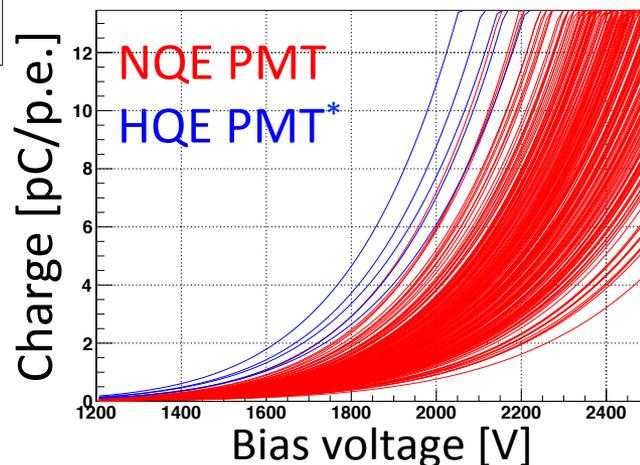
# Gain calibration in tank -PMT-

- Gain of normal QE PMT is adjusted by (QE x gain) such that xenon light source makes constant peak in all PMTs.
  - Same strategy as pre-calibration in dark box before installation.
- Hit is defined by fixed 1mV for HQE PMT as well as NQE PMT.
  - High-QE (~30%) PMT is calibrated by 1 p.e. peak so that resolution can be comparable with R3600 (~22% QE).
  - Gain of high-QE PMT is adjusted to average gain of normal-QE PMT.

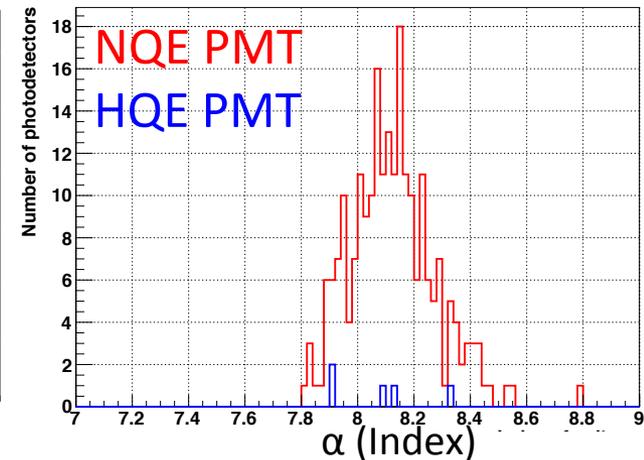
Example of HV-Gain curve



Evaluate p.e. gain for all PMTs



Fit result (Index of V)

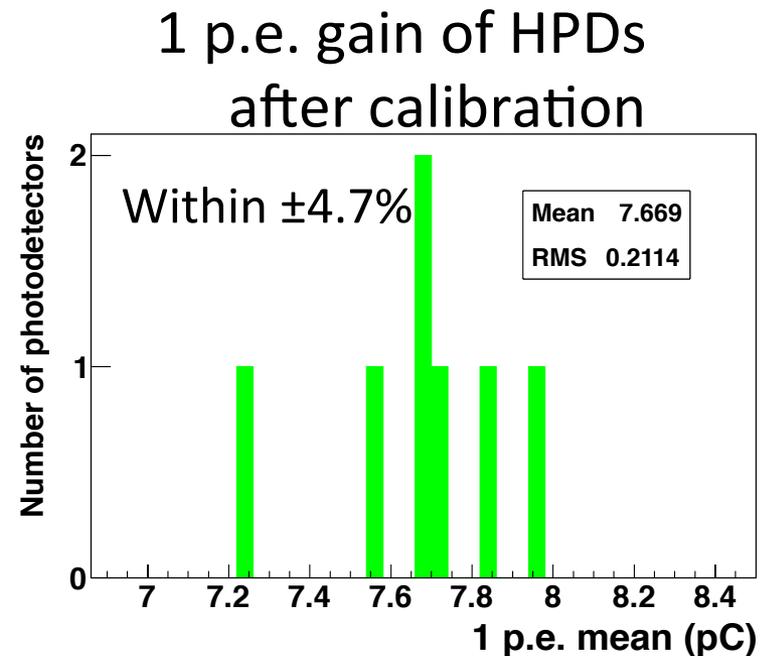
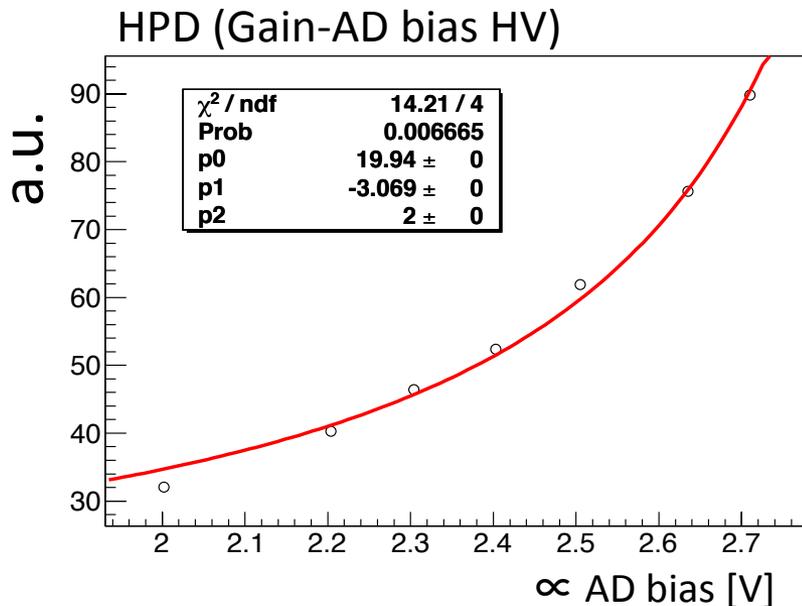


\*) Higher gain of HQE PMT is due to different production date.

**Gain of HQE PMT is set to ~2.2pC/p.e.**

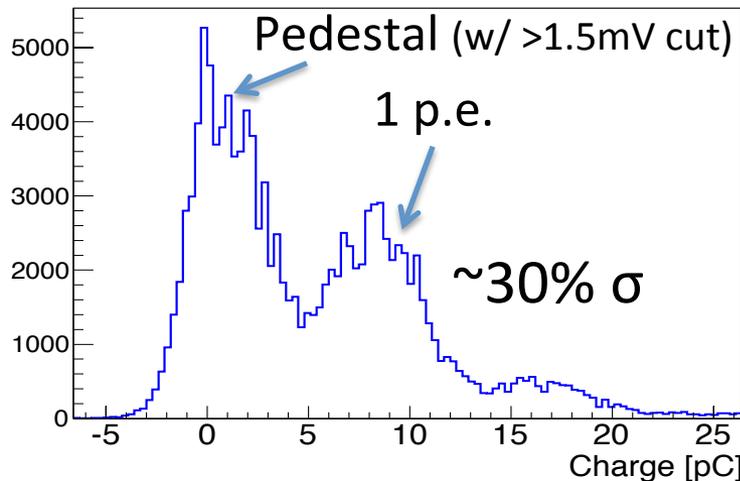
# Gain calibration in tank -HPD-

- Gain of HPD was recalibrated in tank (Nov/2013).
  - Target gain is set to 7.6 pC /p.e.
    - ▶ 1 HPD gain is set to a little low level due to a low breakdown V.
  - Hit threshold is set at 4 mV (0.5 p.e.).
- Total gain is adjusted by AD bias voltage.



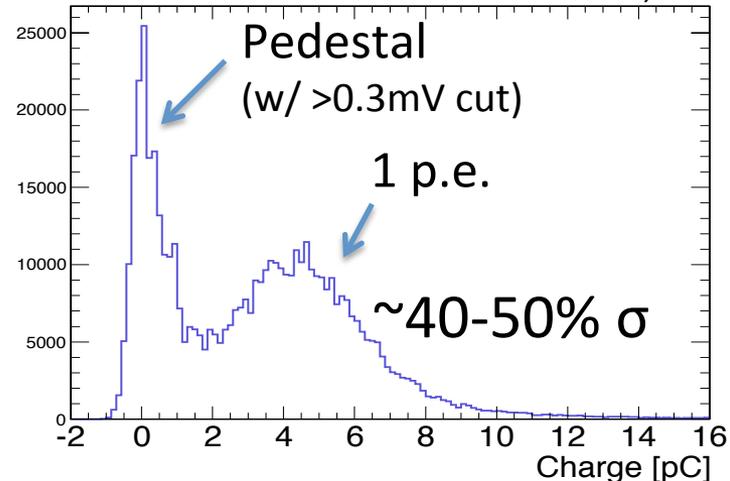
# Photoelectron peak

## 8-inch HPD



## High-QE PMT

Measured with laser diode  
( $\lambda = 405\text{nm}$ , 500Hz),  
70m cable, 13 °C in water

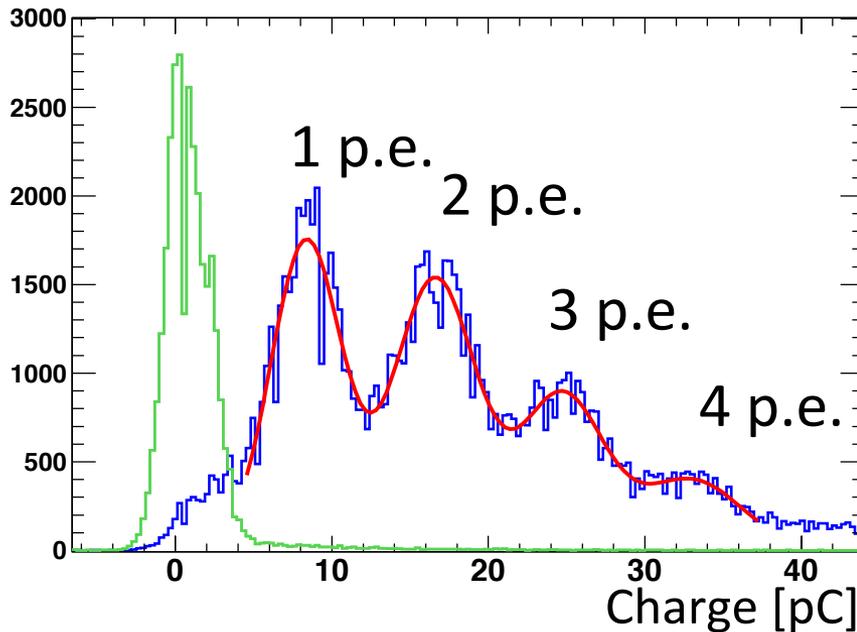


Threshold is usually set at  $\sim 4$  mV (0.5 p.e.). Threshold is usually set at 1 mV (0.25 p.e.).  
→ Broad pedestal at HPD will be cut out in actual run.

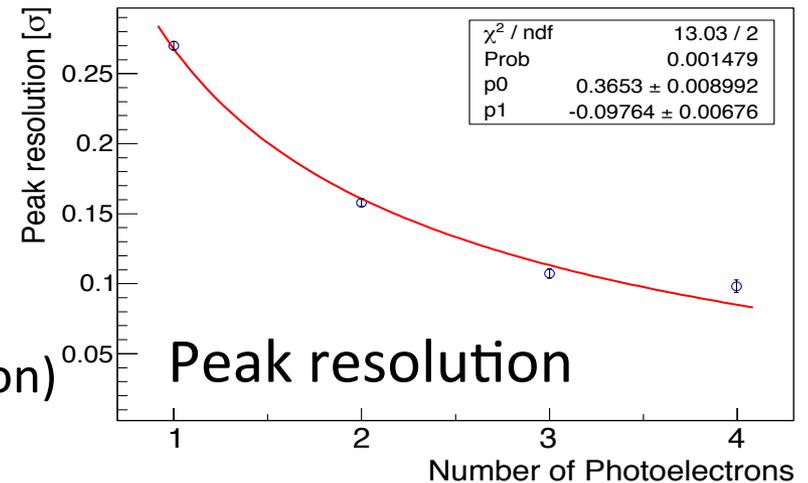
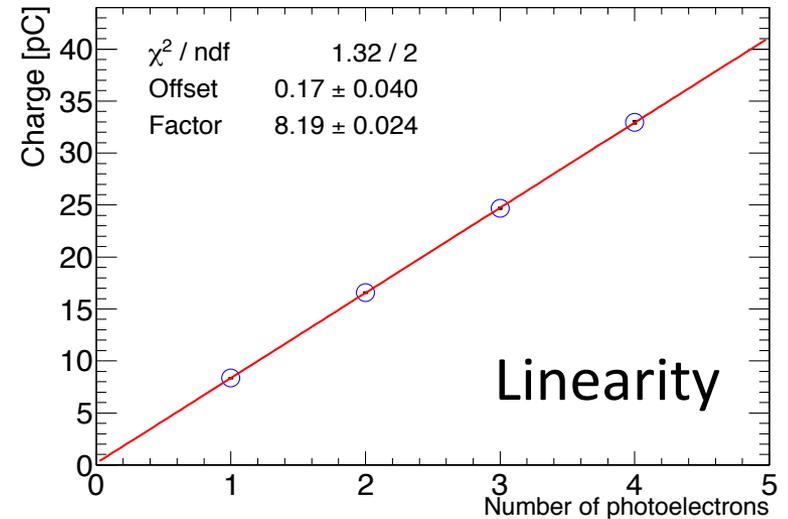
- Clear peak was observed in both HPD and HQE PMT.

# Multi photoelectron peaks

## 8-inch HPD

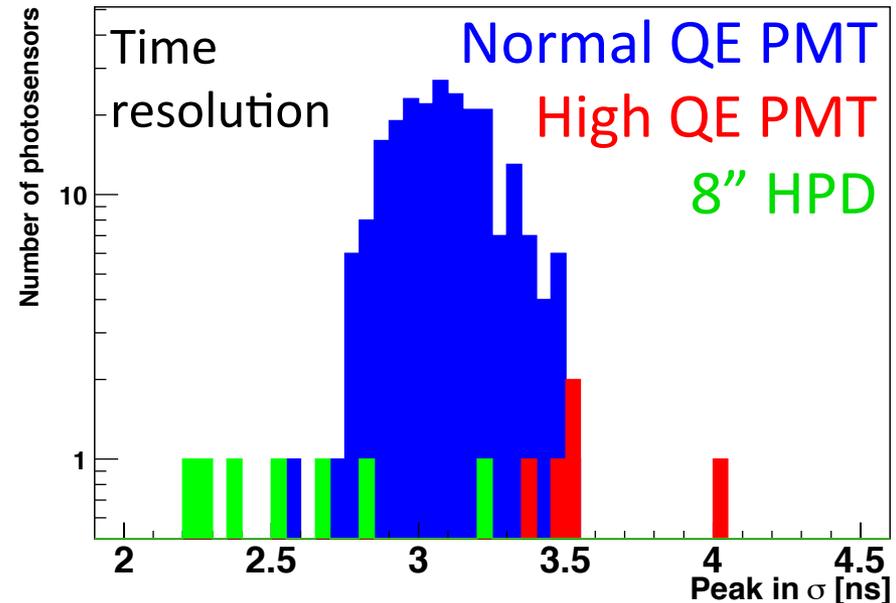
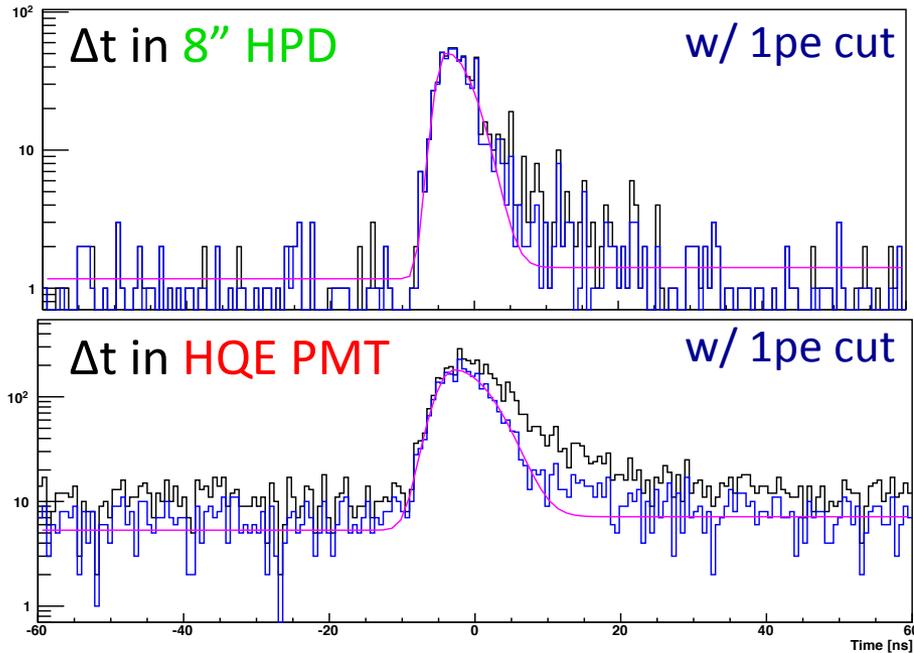


Multi photoelectron peaks  
are also clearly seen by HPD.  
(Difficult in case of PMT due to worse resolution)



# Timing performance

- Timing resolution at 1 p.e. is measured with a laser diode.



***HPD shows better resolution.***

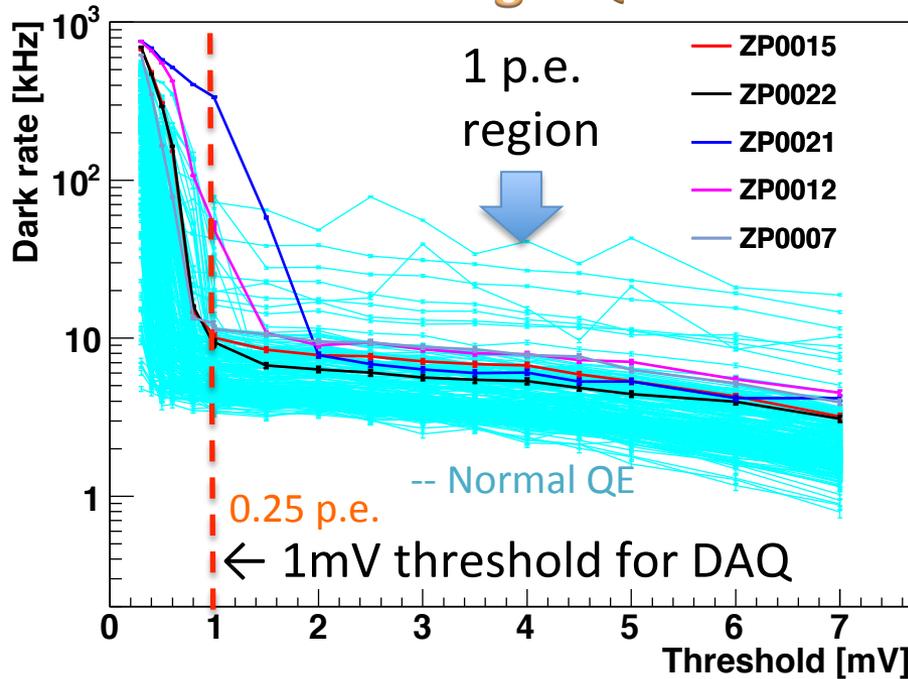
- NOTE

- Lower high voltage is applied for high-QE PMTs because of high gain level and might worse time response.
- Time walk correction by TQ is not applied. (TQ map is under preparation.)
- HPD time response becomes worse in preamplifier. (Upgrade in future?)
- Time walk effect is larger in HPD due to wider signal shape.

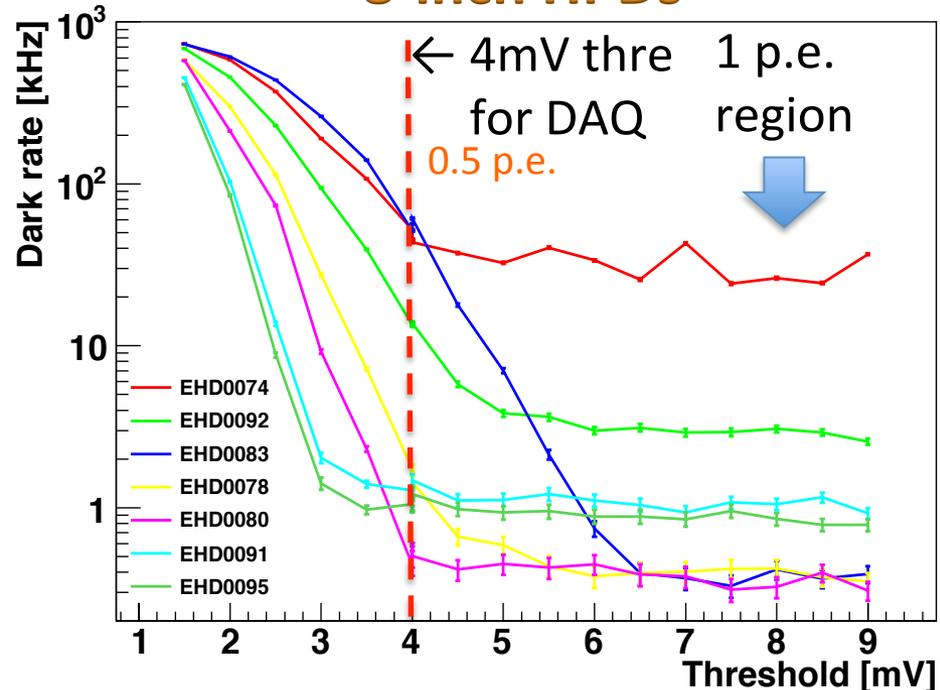
# Current dark rate

- Scanned dark rate by ATM hit threshold in Jan 2014.

## 20-inch high-QE PMTs



## 8-inch HPDs

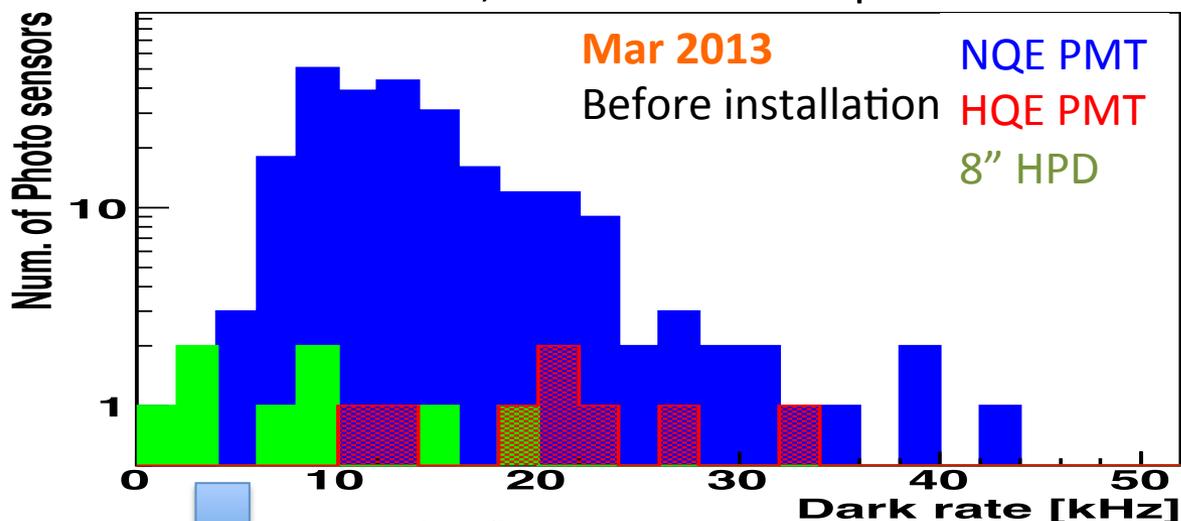


- 2 high-QE PMTs (ZP21,12) and 1 HPD are unstable, 1 HPD has high rate.
  - Large noise around pedestal. Still under investigation and try noise reduction.
- Enough low around 1 kHz for 4 HPDs
- High-QE PMTs show a little high rate.
  - Waiting for stabilization with HV applied for a long period.

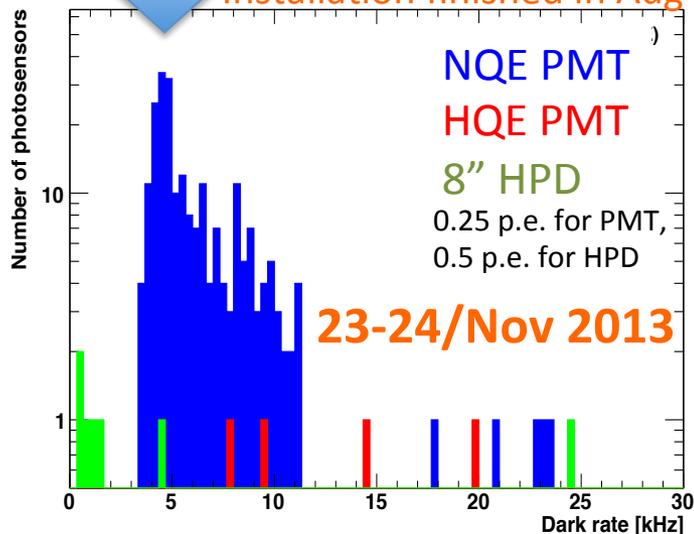
# Dark rate distribution

Pre-calibration, dark rate at 0.8 p.e.

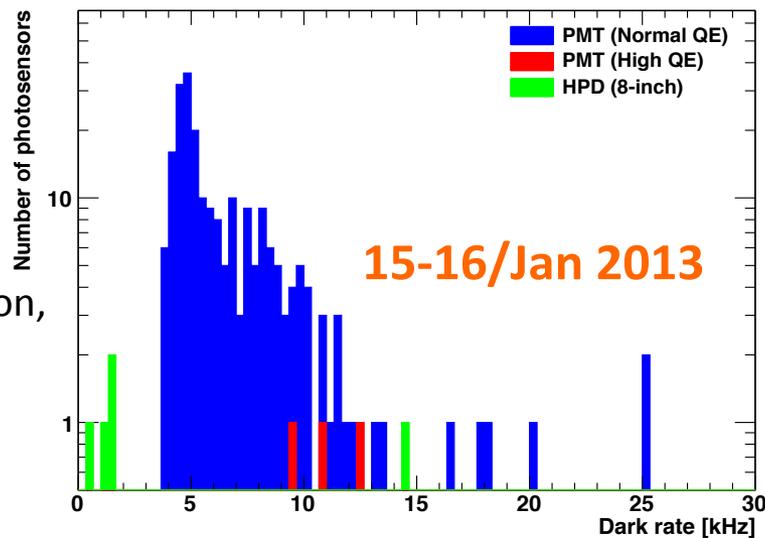
- Dark rate largely reduced after installation.
- Still waiting for stabilization after HV applied continuously from Feb 2014.



Installation finished in Aug 2013



Several calibration, measurement



# Status and plan of proof test

- Tank have been closed and filled in water since Sep 2013.
  - Photodetectors were put in dark place for 5 months.
- 1 HPD was turned off due to an over current error in HV module.
  - HV cannot be applied in a few days after tank was filled in water.
    - New HV module have been developed and upgraded.
- Dark rate of high-QE PMTs is still higher than Super-K PMT.
- High voltage was applied only during calibration and measurement.
  - Long runs were tested a few times for a few days or a week.
  - Several studies in tank such as QE, water property, TQ correction are still being performed.
- Long continuous run will start since Feb 2014.
  - Now in pure water, Gd will be doped in a few months.
    - ▶ Calibration will be redone before Gd contamination.
- New 20-inch photo-detectors are under development  
for 2<sup>nd</sup> proof test.

# Development of new 20-inch photo-detectors



20-inch box & line dynode PMT  
in Kamioka

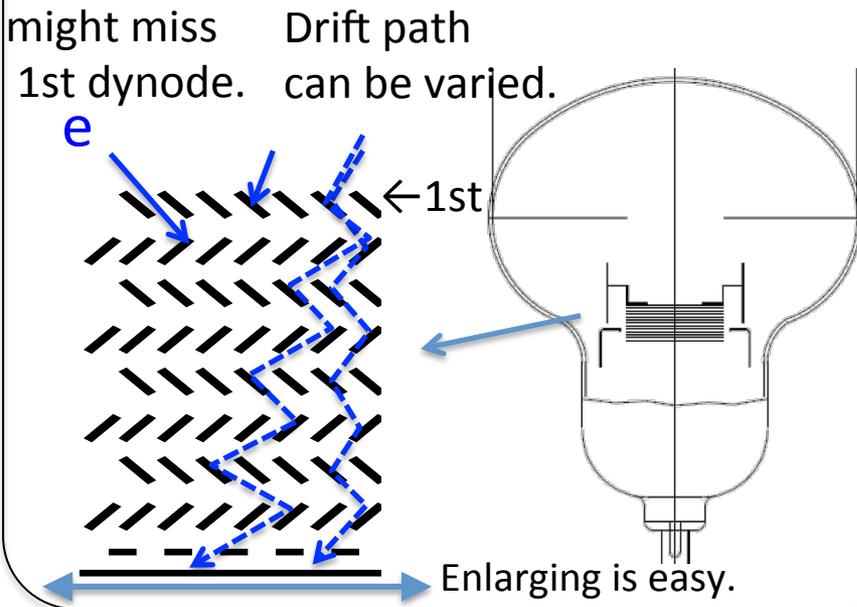


20-inch HPD display  
in NNN2013, IPMU

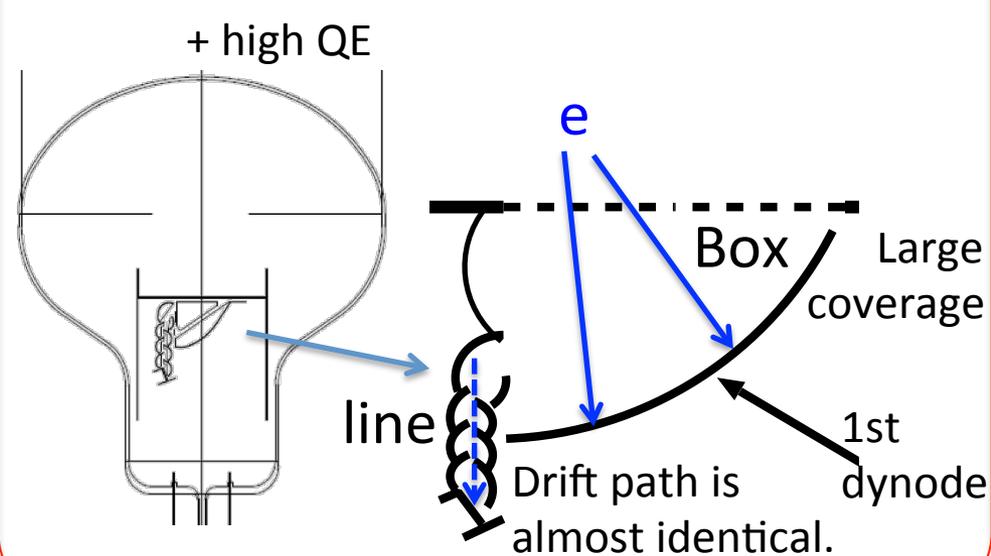
# 20-inch PMT with box and line dynode

- Good photon collection by box shape 1<sup>st</sup> dynode
- Fast time response by linear-focused dynode

## Venetian blind type (Super-K)



## Box and line type (New for 20-inch)



- New design of box and line dynode and High QE on it demands well optimizing and manufacturing process.

# New 20-inch photo-detectors

2 prototypes are under development and test in HPK.

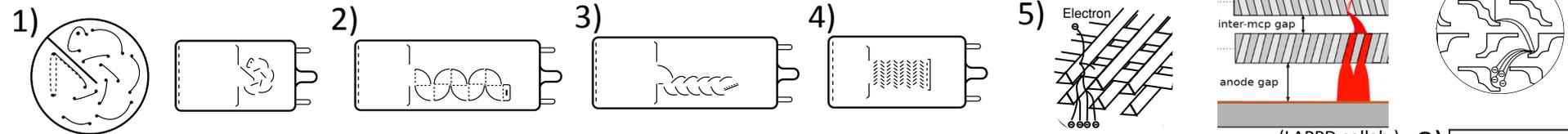


Model	R3600 (Used for ~30 yrs)	R12850 (Under development)	R12860 (Under development)
C.E.	<b>80%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>93%</b>
T.T.S. (FWHM)	5.5 ns	0.75ns (w/o Preamp.)	2.7 ns
Bias voltage	2 kV bias	8 kV bias, 20mm $\phi$ AD	2 kV bias
			Calculated in simulation

- Evaluation will start soon at Kamioka since spring 2014.
- Proof test in the 200-ton tank could start in 2014.

# Overview of amplification designs

Typical value in small (~2") PMT (from PMT basics and applications, HPK)



	Dynode Type	Rise Time (ns)	Pulse Linearity at 2% (mA)	Magnetic Immunity (mT)	Uniformity	Collection Efficiency	Features
1)	Circular-cage	0.9 to 3.0	1 to 10	0.1	Poor	Good	Compact, high speed
2)	Box-and-grid	6 to 20			Good	Very good	High collection efficiency
3)	Linear-focused	0.7 to 3			Poor	Good	High speed, high linearity
4)	Venetian blind	6 to 18			Good	Poor	Suited for large diameter
5)	Fine mesh	1.5 to 5.5	300 to 1000	500 to 1500*	Good	Poor	High magnetic immunity, high linearity
6)	MCP <sup>(Microchannel plate)</sup>	0.1 to 0.3	700	1500*	Good	→ Good	high speed
7)	Metal channel	0.65 to 1.5	30	5**	Good	Good	Compact, high speed
8)	Electron bombardment type	Depends on internal semiconductor → Good		—	Very good	Very good	High electron resolution

8) → HPD

6) (LAPPD collab.) → LAPPD

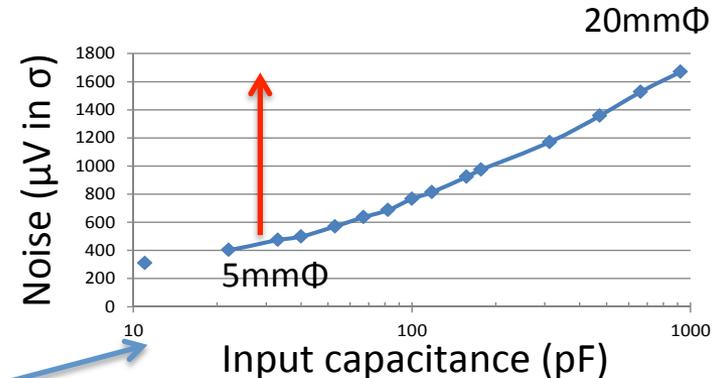
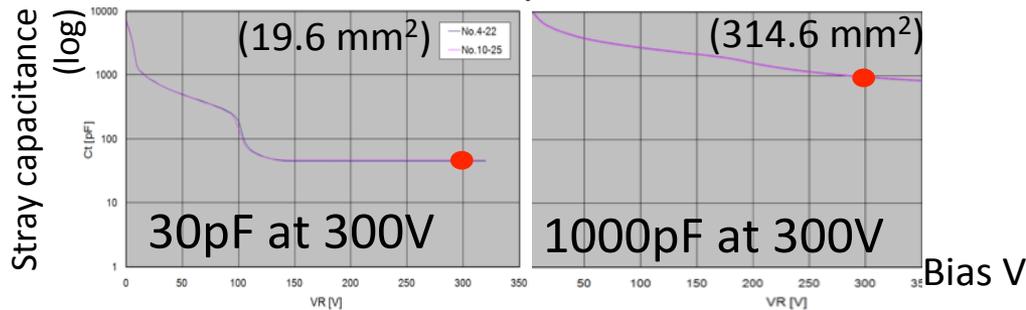
2) **Box & Line**  
(cf. KamLAND 17")  
→ Super-K 20"

- **Box & line dynode PMT** : Realistic option based on established technology of PMT, with fast timing and good timing performance
- **HPD** : Low cost and good performance, but difficulty of electronics in both development and long life. → *To be established in proof test*

# AD and amplifier for 20-inch HPD

- Least diameter of avalanche diode (AD) is determined by a spot size of p.e. collections and alignment precision.

- 5mm  $\Phi$  for 8" HPD / 20mm  $\Phi$  for 20" HPD



- Noise largely depends on input capacitance.
- Current pre-amp. of 8" HPD cannot be used for 20" HPD.
  - Single p.e. separation is impossible because of noise by large stray capacitance.
- Development of new amplifier started by HPK, U.Tokyo, and KEK.
  - Start from charge amp with less noise, boot strap, etc.
  - Please join us if you are interested.
- AD optimization might be needed.
  - 15mm $\Phi$  and 20mm $\Phi$ /2 segmentation were also made in test
  - Might try 3x3 segmented AD, optimize depletion layer, backside-illumination, ...

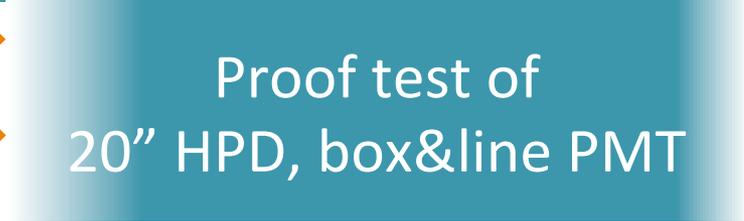
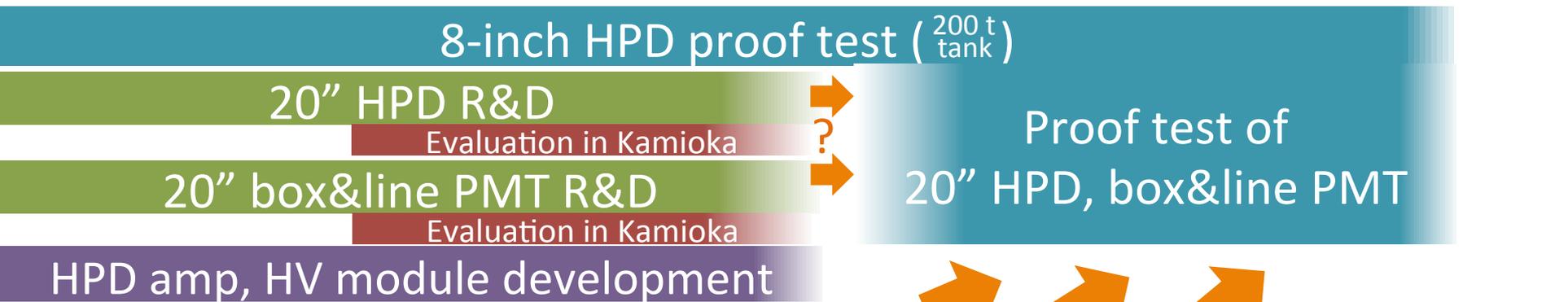
# HV power supply for HPD

- Long life for tens years and quality control in production are critical in case of HPD.
  - HV and DAQ boards can be replaced on top of tank in Super-K.
  - HV module and preamp. are housed in HPD, cannot be replaced.
    - ▶ 8kV is too high to be supplied by cable in water.
    - ▶ Preamplifier is needed near to AD.
- Several problems were found in current HV module.
  - Damage of HV module by discharge in HPD
  - Damage preamplifier by large signal into it.
- New HV module is ready for new 20-inch HPD.
  - Less noise, more durability against discharge, low power, ...
- Asked several companies to develop small HV module.
- Will study with DAQ and electronics related.
  - Electronics in water for redundancy and low cost, HV cable, digitization, ...

# Schedule

Goal

PD selection  
for Hyper-K



Test other items    Electronics in water    Photon collection    Protective case, supporter

Plan to install 20" PDs in 2014  
and test for a year in 2015.

Production and  
test for HK  
prototype tank

- After R&D and proof test, photodetector for HK is determined.
- Its final design will be tested in a HK prototype tank.

Construction of  
HK prototype tank  
and final test in tank

# Summary

- Eight 8-inch HPDs and five 20-inch high-QE PMTs were installed in summer 2013.
- Calibration and performance evaluation are going on in the 200-ton tank.
  - Quick look at preliminary measurement
- Long run will start soon.
- 20-inch new photo-detectors are being developed.
  - Prototype will be tested and evaluated in a few months.