

PMT Non-Linearity Studies at ISU

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Introduction (Asymmetry and non-linearity)

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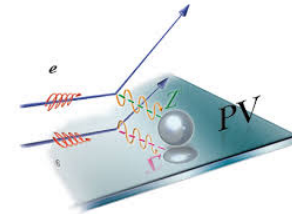
$$A_{LED} = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} \quad \text{With, } N_{avg} = \frac{N^+ + N^-}{2}$$

$A_{LED} = A_{true}(1 + \beta N_{avg})$ is the fit function.

- $N^\pm = N_S^\pm(1 + \beta N_S^\pm)$ is the PMT response for the signal N_S^\pm .
 - β parameterizes the non-linearity
 - N_{avg} settings provided by ND filter wheel
 - Fits to A_{LED} vs. N_{avg} plot give A_{true} and $A_{true}\beta$ and hence the non-linearity.
- Linearity measurement plays an important role in detector systematics.
 - R7723Q PMT with modified base for improved non-linearity was used.

PREx-II/CREx

- Polarized beam with unpolarized target.
- Measurements in opposite helicity states.
- Asymmetry of cross sections:



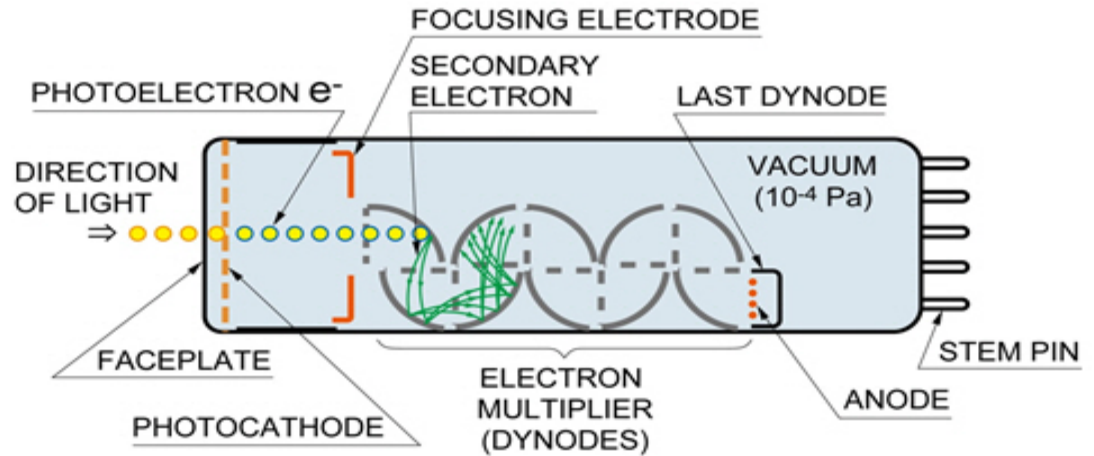
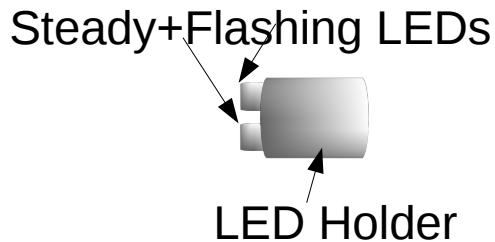
$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L}$$

$$\sigma_{R(L)} = \frac{d\sigma_{R(L)}}{d\Omega} \propto (S_y + S_z^{R(L)})^2$$



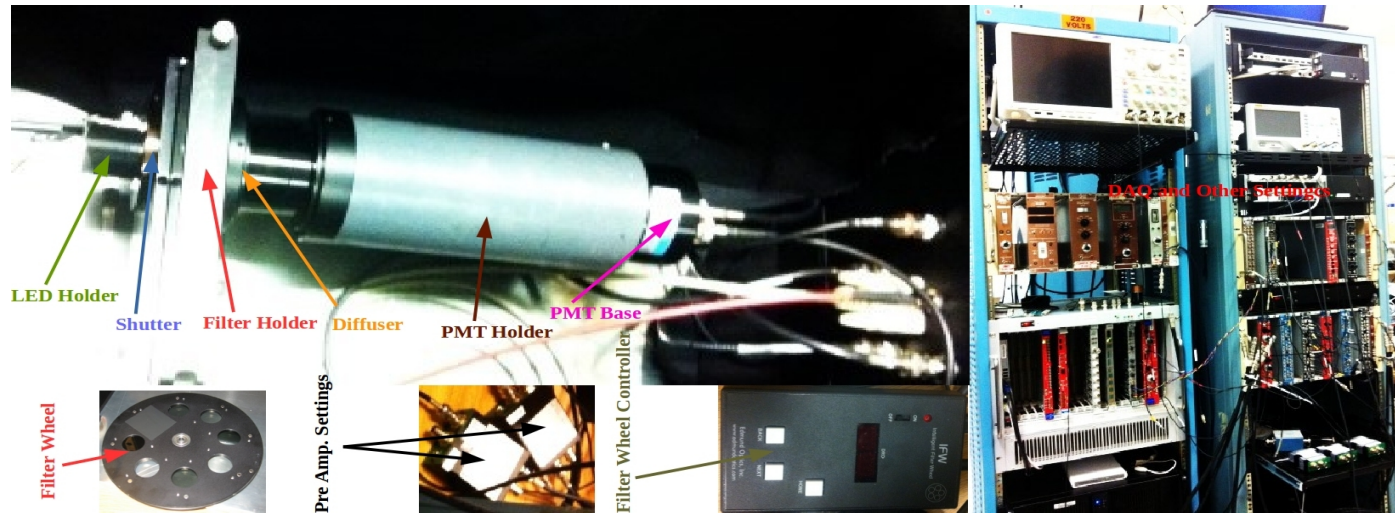
$$\propto \frac{\text{[Diagram]}^2}{2} \sim \frac{10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^2}{\text{GeV}^2}$$

Motivations



- PMTs tested here will be used in the PREx-II/CREx detectors
- PREx-II/CREx are high-precision experiments with statistics dominated uncertainties
- PMT non-linearity is one of the important sources of systematic errors in PREx-II/CREx experiments
- PMT non-linearity will be at most 0.3 % (CREx) and 1 % (PREx-II).
- PMTs should show the best linear response with the LL equivalent to Cerenkov light that it receives during PREx-II/CREx experiments

Black Box Setup and Integrating DAQ Systems



- LED Holder → holds two LEDs, each with 2 mm diameter collimation
- Electronic Shutter → has now been connected with a relay to turn it “ON” and “OFF” automatically at any interval with computer script
- Filter Wheel → Computer Controlled Edmund Optics’ Absorptive ND filters (400-700 nm) with 8 (100, 78, 50, 40, 25, 10, 0)% transmission settings (~randomly ordered)
- Filter Wheel is now controlled automatically using a shell script
- UV Diffuser → Edmund Optics’ ground fused silica
- PMT Holder → 2” PMT with modified base for improved linearity
- Different pre-Amp settings with different resistances and offsets tested (MAIN, LUMI, KDPA, and SNS)

Qweak ADC Details

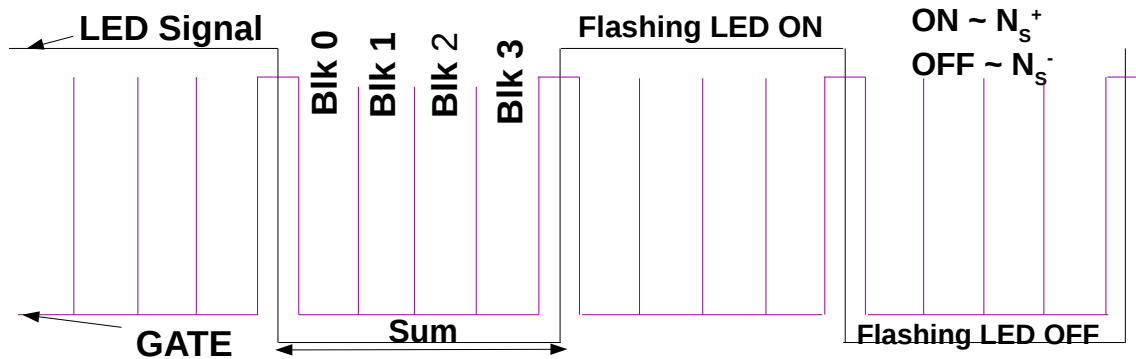


Figure: DAQ response sampled in four blocks.



Figure: Function Generator settings.

- Samples the voltage every 2 μs
- Has a ± 10 V range with 18 bit resolution (corresponding to 76.29 $\mu\text{V}/\text{channel}$)
- Has 8 inputs with 12 Ω input impedance
- Working with CODA 2.6.2 and a Linux ROC
- We use a Struck SIS3610 for triggering
- Each GATE is split into 4 blocks with the length (in time) of each block specified by user
- For 120 Hz flipping rate, we set 500 samples/block. So 2000 total samples, every 2 μs , gives 8000 μs long gate
- We are currently using a function generator to provide synchronized DAQ and LED driver signals

Selection of Light Level (Preliminary)

- Upstream Quartz thickness = 6 mm
 - Downstream Quartz thickness = 10 mm
- Results from Testbeam (Mainz Germany) w/o wrapping give:
- Peak PEs upstream = 37 with ~20% resolution
 - Peak PEs downstream = 65 with ~17% resolution

PREx-II

- Rate = 1 GHz
- LL with upstream quartz = $1\text{GHz} \cdot 37 \cdot e \sim 6 \text{ nA}$
- LL with downstream quartz $\sim 10 \text{ nA}$

CREx

- Rate = 50 MHz
- LL with upstream quartz = $50\text{MHz} \cdot 37 \cdot e \sim 0.3 \text{ nA}$
- LL with downstream quartz $\sim 0.5 \text{ nA}$
- I have tested 0.7 nA, 3 nA, 7 nA, and 14 nA LLs so far

Steps in Data Collection

- ♦ LL controlled by HAPPEX timer DAC12, calibrated using R375 PMT with unity gain base
- ♦ DAQ (240 Hz) and LED flash (120 Hz) signals were synchronized
- ♦ Proper timing setting between LED, TRIGGER and GATE (40 μ s and 100 μ s respectively) was maintained (GATE duration is 8000 μ s and the GATE does not start until 20 μ s after the ADC receives the GATE signal)
- ♦ An automated filter wheel and shutter script orchestrated the data collection over 20 cycles of filter wheel:
 - Each filter stayed in its position for 10 sec and during each filter change the shutter remains closed for 2 sec
 - Just before each new filter cycle, pedestal data was taken for 5sec
 - Asymmetry Mean and Error from 20 cycles of filter wheel was used to produce non-linearity plot (A_{LED} vs N_{avg})

Steps and Approaches in Data Analysis

- Used simplified version of vQwk Analyzer to analyze data
- Quartet and non-Quartet approaches were tried for 7 nA LL
- An automated c++ code has been developed that removes any “unclean” data during filter rotation and analyzes the rest
- The pedestal correction was performed in three different ways:
 - (1) include all pedestal data and subtract the same average for all data points (Note, pedestal data was collected anytime shutter closed)
 - (2) like (1) but for even and odd separately
 - (3) include only the pedestal data just before and just after a filter change (to pedestal-correct that specific filter)
- All three approaches were tried for 14 nA LL, and all gave same/consistent results – so we now only use method (1)

Steps and Approaches in Data Analysis (contd.)

- For non-Quartet approach, the data from two consecutive gates were used to calculate simple pair-wise asymmetry

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{S_1} \quad \boxed{S_2} \\ A = \frac{S_1 - S_2}{S_1 + S_2} \end{array}$$

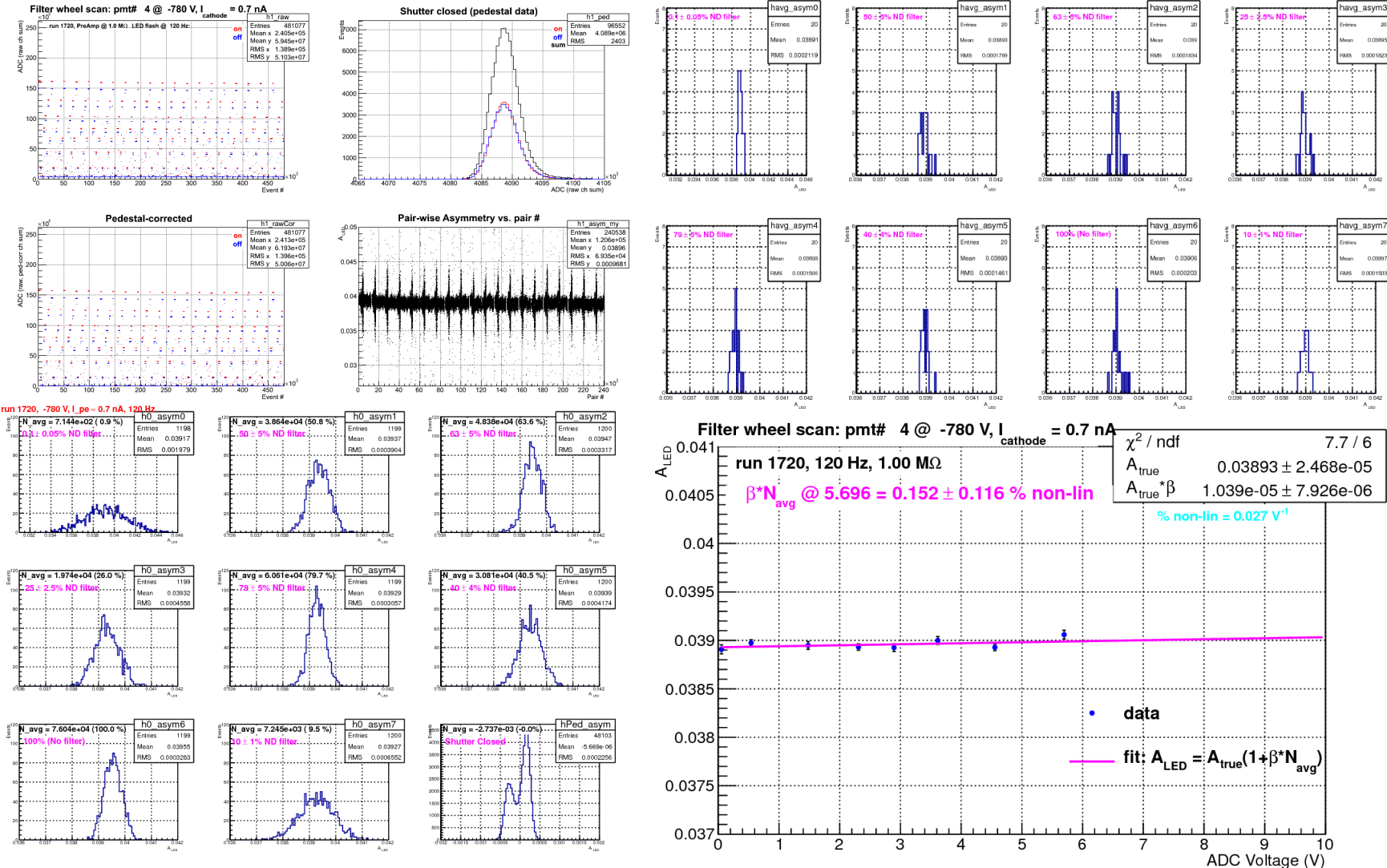
- For Quartet approach, the data from eight consecutive gates was used to determine asymmetry. Asymmetry is formed between the even and odd groups – gives flavor of 30 Hz flipping



$$A = \frac{\sum_{\text{even}}^4 S_n - \sum_{\text{odd}}^4 S_n}{\sum_{\text{even}}^4 S_n + \sum_{\text{odd}}^4 S_n}$$

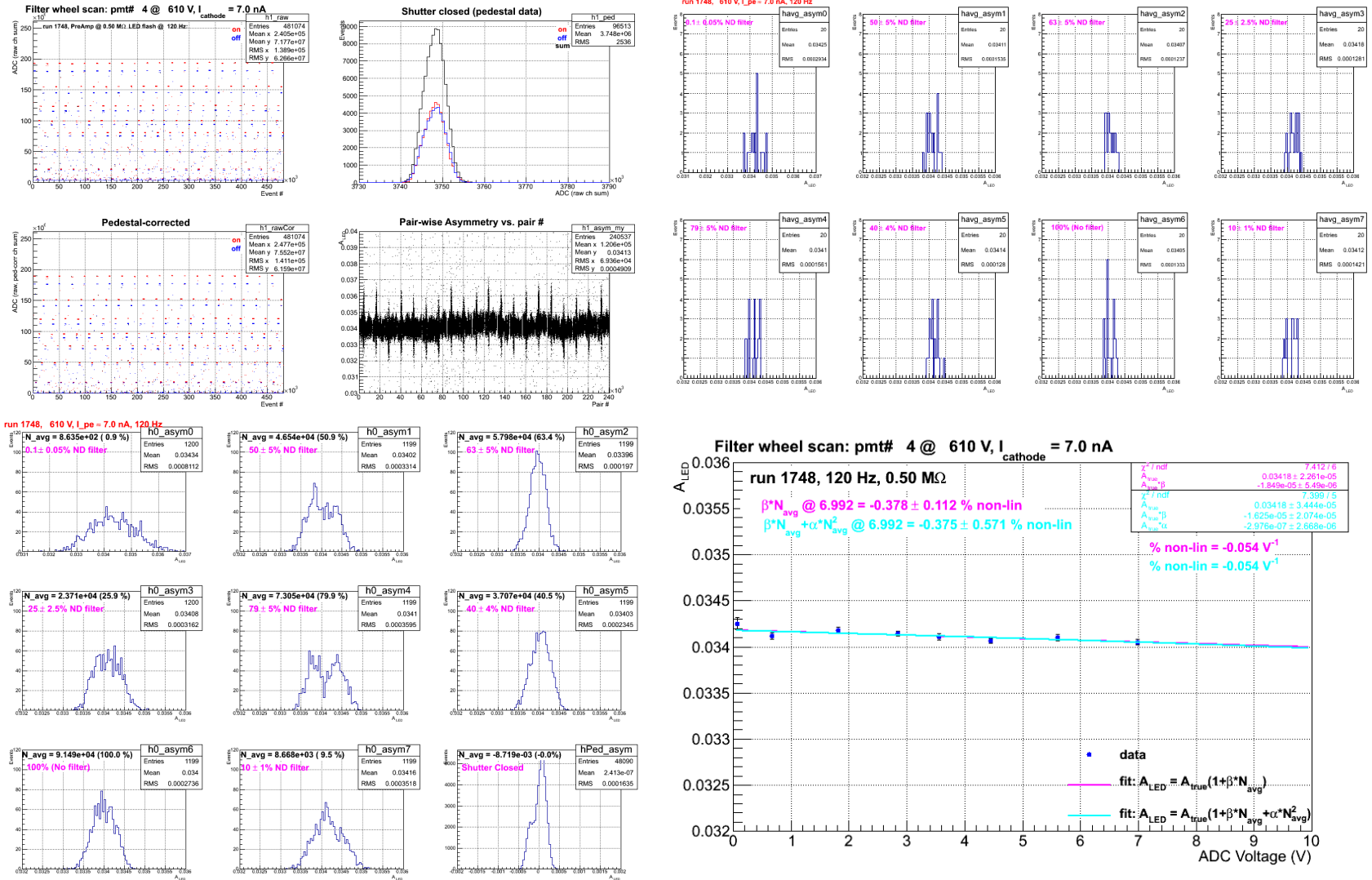
0.7 nA LL Measurement

- 1.0 M Ω preAmp and -780 V High Voltage.



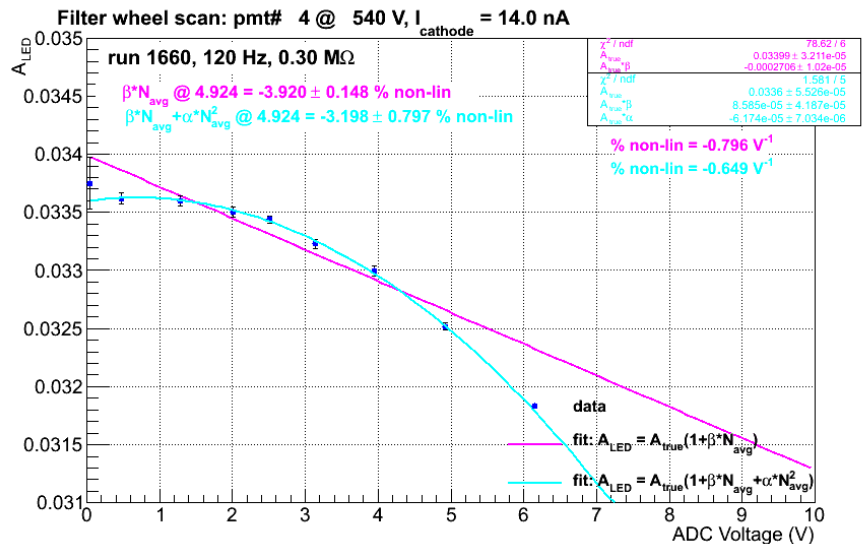
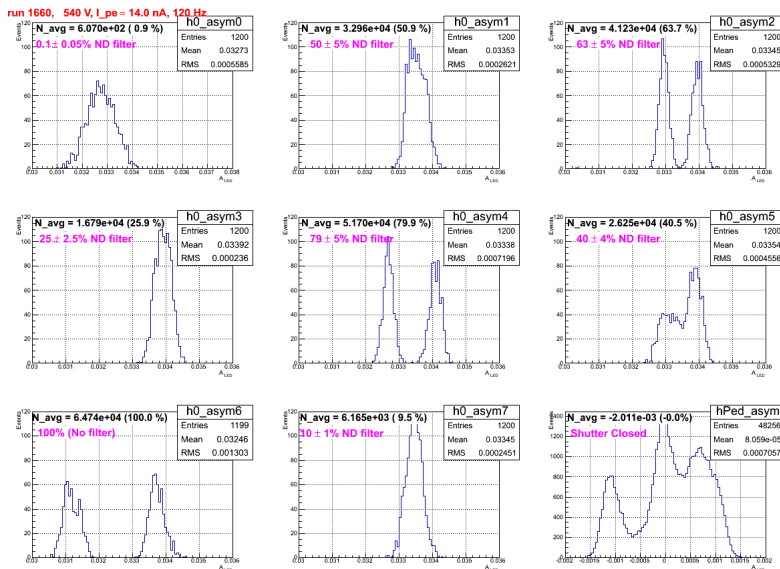
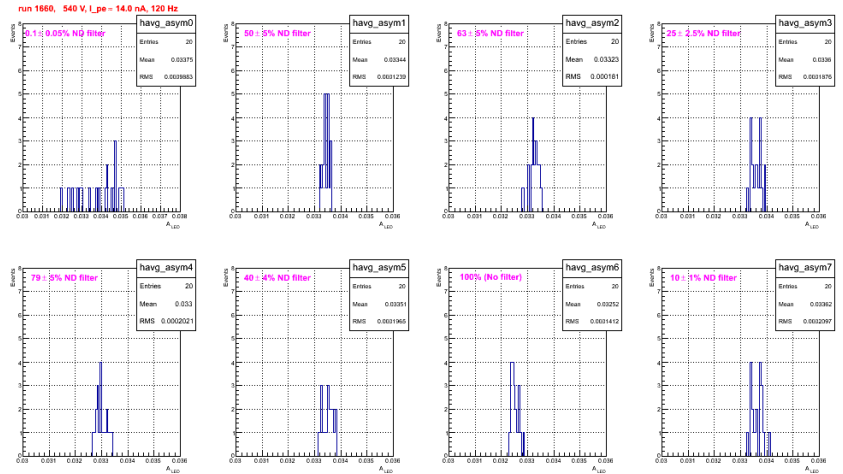
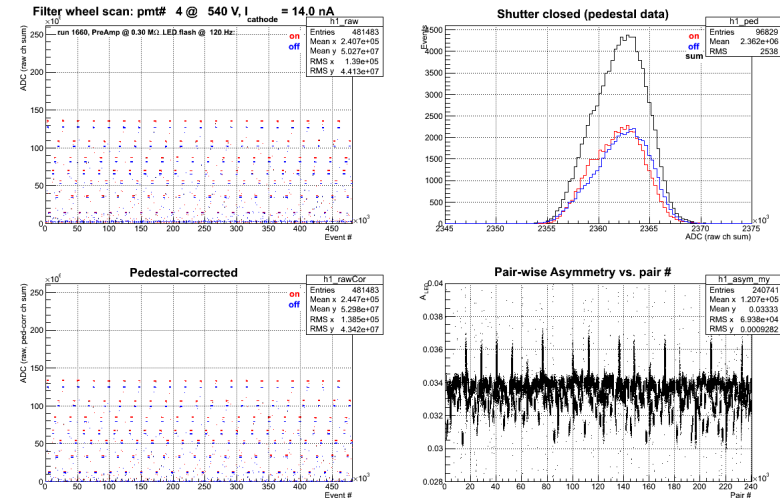
7 nA LL Measurement

- 0.5 MΩ preAmp and -610 V High Voltage.

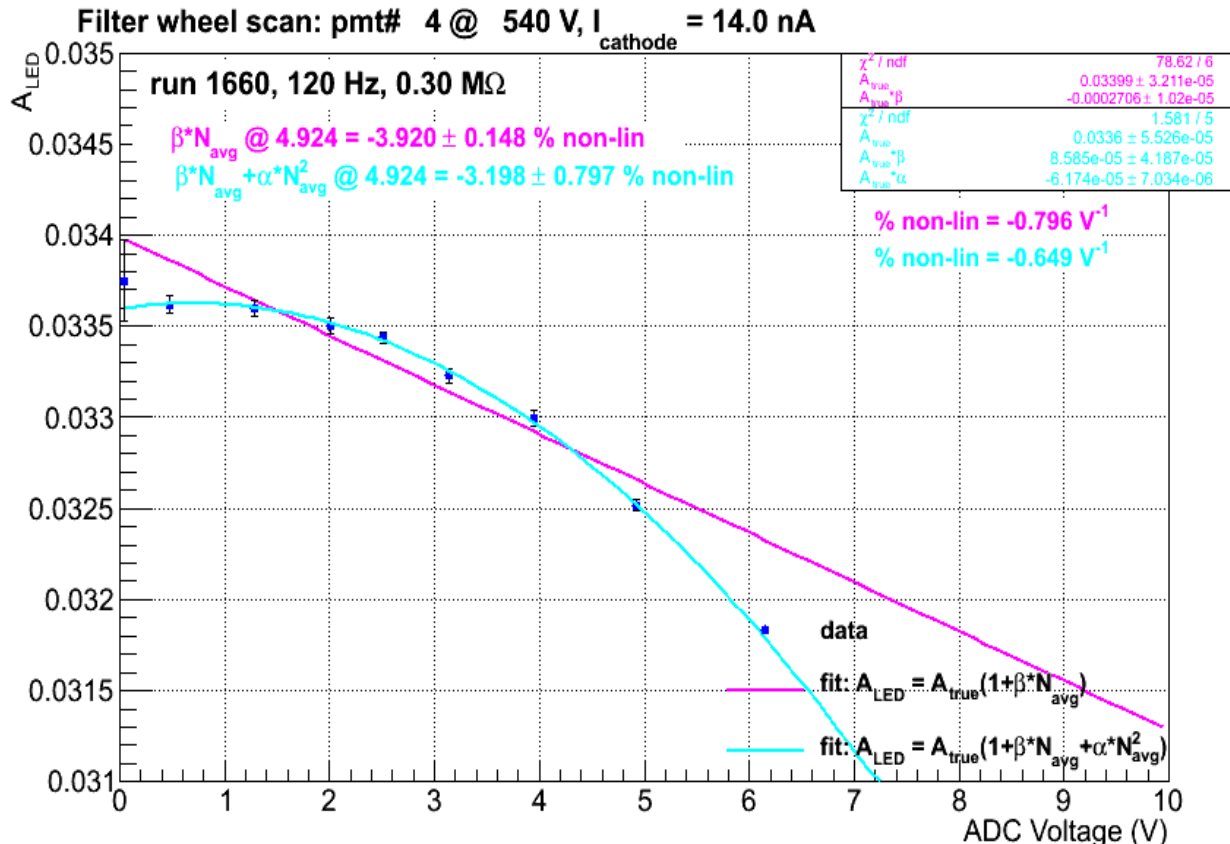


14 nA LL Measurement

- 0.3 MΩ preAmp and -540 V High Voltage.



Need of Second Order non-linearity



- Fit function with first order non-linearity:

$$A_{LED} = A_{true} (1 + \beta N_{avg})$$

is good for lower LLs.

- But for higher LLs (14 nA), fit function with second order correction:

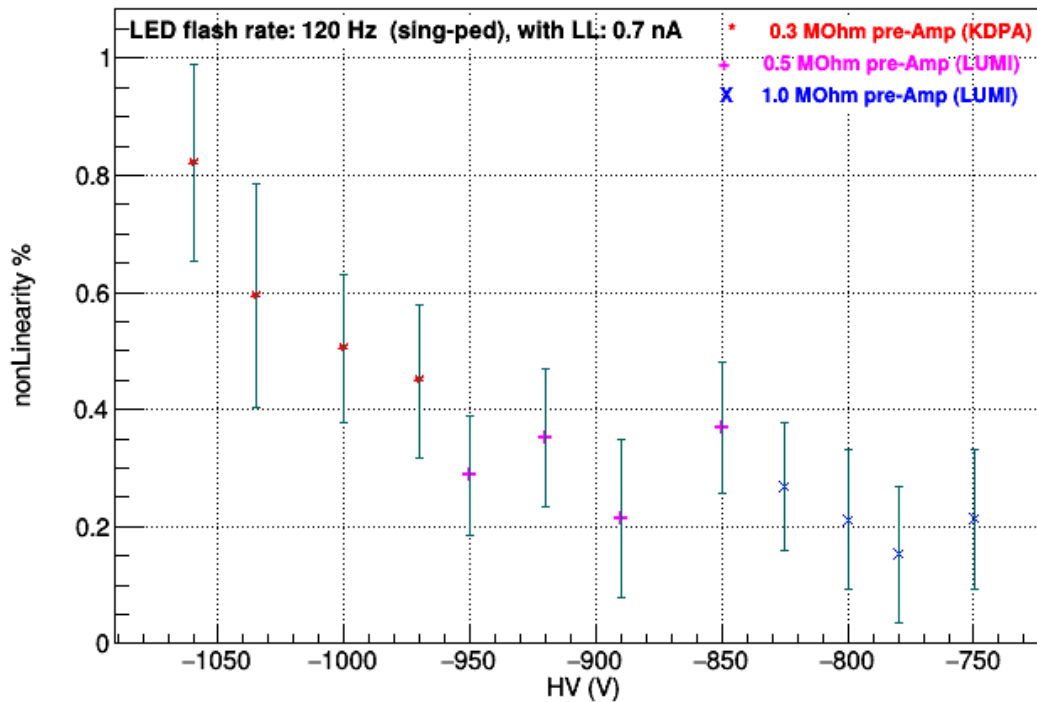
$$A_{LED} = A_{true} (1 + \beta N_{avg} + \alpha N_{avg}^2)$$

fits much better. (However, overall error is much higher???)

Summary Table (0.7 nA LL)

Run	HV	LL	PreAmp	Navg	non-Linearity	non-Linearity/V	X2/ndf
1710	-1060	0.7	0.3	104400	0.821±0.169	0.103	2.220/6
1708	-1035	0.7	0.3	92420	0.594±0.192	0.084	1.213/6
1706	-1000	0.7	0.3	74430	0.503±0.127	0.089	18.30/6
1713	-970	0.7	0.3	64570	0.448±0.130	0.091	1.245/6
1711	-950	0.7	0.5	96510	0.287±0.103	0.039	5.926/6
1712	-920	0.7	0.5	79540	0.352±0.117	0.058	1.464/6
1704	-890	0.7	0.5	71150	0.214±0.136	0.039	10.79/6
1702	-850	0.7	0.5	53790	0.369±0.112	0.090	10.06/6
718	-825	0.7	1.0	101200	0.267±0.109	0.035	6.506/6
1719	-800	0.7	1.0	87940	0.211±0.119	0.031	7.054/6
1720	-780	0.7	1.0	74670	0.152±0.116	0.027	7.700/6
1721	-750	0.7	1.0	61430	0.213±0.119	0.046	6.454/6

non-linearity vs HV

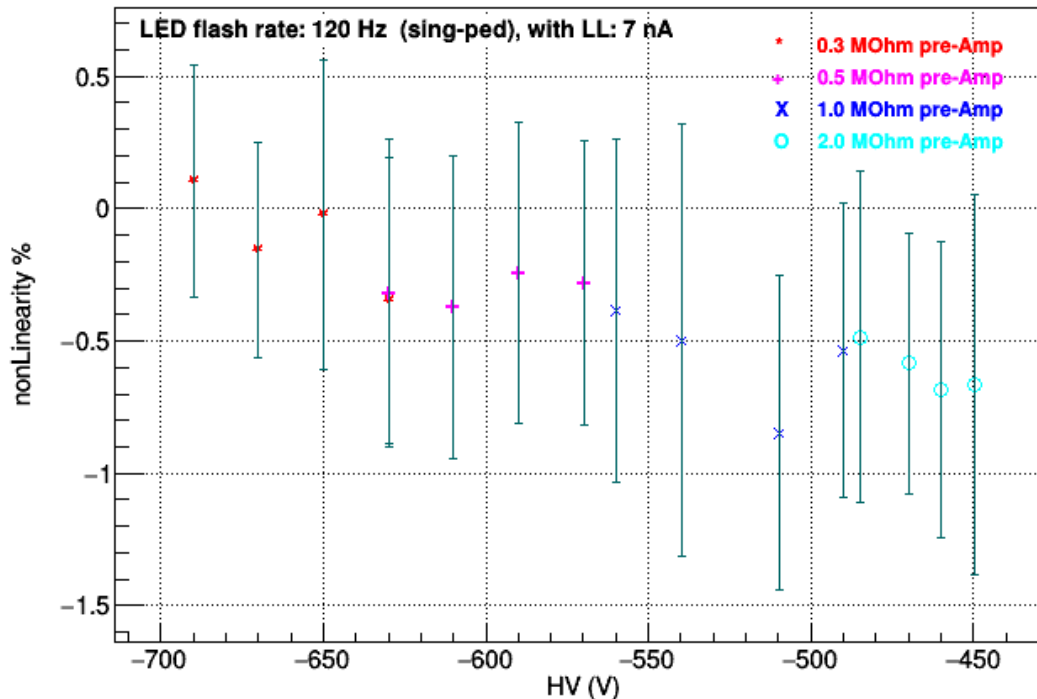


* smaller non-linearity for larger preAmp gain and smaller HV.

Summary Table (7 nA LL)

Run	HV	LL	PreAmp	Navg	non-Linearity	non-Linearity/V	X2/ndf
1743	-690	7	0.3	109800	0.102±0.439	-0.012	8.261/5
1744	-670	7	0.3	90000	-0.156±0.408	-0.023	18.12/5
1745	-650	7	0.3	78090	-0.025±0.585	-0.004	13.51/5
1746	-630	7	0.3	66730	-0.347±0.540	-0.068	14.92/5
1747	-630	7	0.5	108700	-0.321±0.581	-0.039	3.652/5
1748	-610	7	0.5	91650	-0.375±0.571	-0.054	7.399/5
1750	-590	7	0.5	73170	-0.243±0.568	-0.043	18.53/5
1751	-570	7	0.5	61010	-0.281±0.539	-0.060	6.255/5
1753	-560	7	1.0	118700	-0.387±0.648	-0.043	8.446/5
1754	-540	7	1.0	96220	-0.497±0.817	-0.068	1.341/5
1756	-510	7	1.0	71480	-0.847±0.592	-0.155	0.9393/5
1757	-490	7	1.0	58620	-0.535±0.555	-0.120	5.859/5
1758	-485	7	2.0	106600	-0.484±0.627	-0.060	6.619/5
1759	-470	7	2.0	89840	-0.585±0.490	-0.085	8.503/5
1760	-460	7	2.0	79900	-0.687±0.559	-0.113	8.788/5
1761	-450	7	2.0	71210	-0.663±0.719	-0.122	11.59/5

non-linearity vs HV

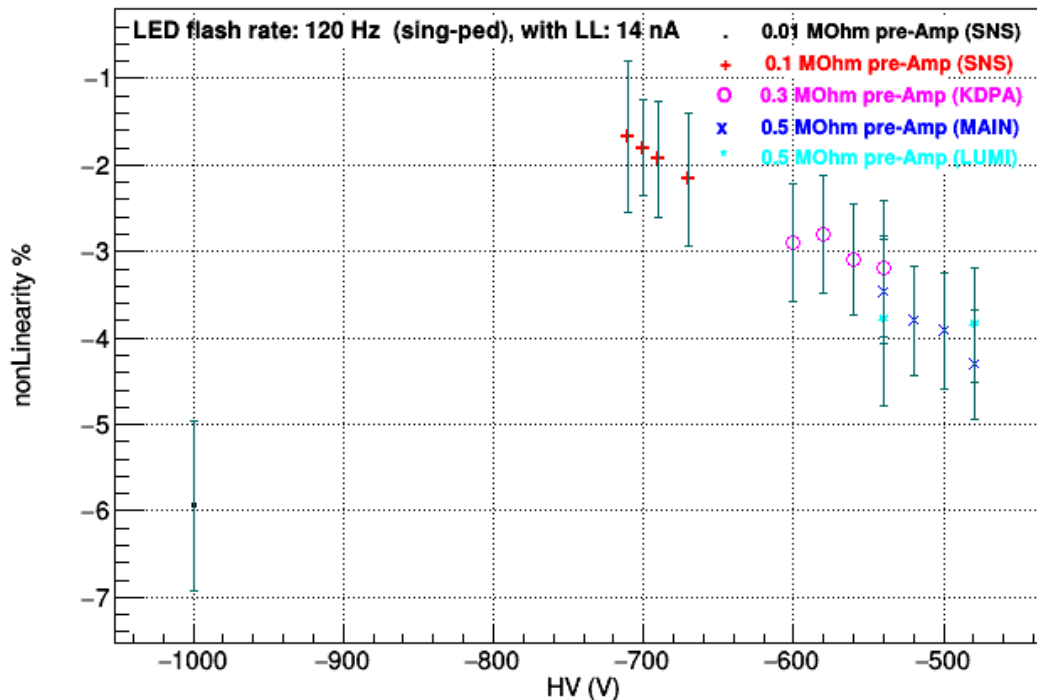


* smaller non-linearity for smaller preAmp gain and higher HV.

Summary Table (14 nA LL)

Run	HV	LL	PreAmp	Navg	non-Linearity	non-Linearity/V	X2/ndf
1643	-1000	14	0.01	68950	-5.941±0.980	-1.129	189.4/5
1642	-710	14	0.1	95810	-1.669±0.870	-0.228	8.623/5
1637	-700	14	0.1	94070	-1.798±0.549	-0.251	10.96/5
1651	-690	14	0.1	74550	-1.928±0.672	-0.339	10.62/5
1638	-670	14	0.1	73150	-2.163±0.767	-0.388	6.173/5
1656	-600	14	0.3	111400	-2.905±0.682	-0.342	4.381/5
1657	-580	14	0.3	94320	-2.802±0.674	-0.389	7.933/5
1658	-560	14	0.3	78190	-3.099±0.640	-0.519	5.036/5
1660	-540	14	0.3	64550	-3.198±0.797	-0.649	1.581/5
1661	-540	14	0.5	106600	-3.460±0.604	-0.418	8.637/5
1663	-520	14	0.5	88860	-3.800±0.640	-0.561	10.98/5
1664	-500	14	0.5	72020	-3.913±0.668	-0.712	4.415/5
1666	-480	14	0.5	56870	-4.307±0.636	-0.993	29.52/5
1662	-540	14	0.5	108600	-3.796±0.985	-0.467	4.45/5
1667	-480	14	0.5	57230	-3.849±0.665	-0.882	14.42/5

non-linearity vs HV



* smaller non-linearity for smaller preAmp gain and higher HV.

Issues and Questions

- Should we think about changing quartz thickness for PREx-II? 10 nA LL will be near the acceptable limit.
- Is it a good idea to study linearity to the second order?
- How to handle error (and interpret χ^2) on non-linearity properly?
- Why 2nd order fits give much higher non-linearity error?
- Could use more precise calibration of LL:
 - calibrate picoammeter.
 - use R7723 PMT with unity base, not R375 PMT.
- Question of preAmp bandwidth? What is best? Does it matter?
 - We need a working KDPB preAmp to help test.

Summary and Future Plans

- So far, results are very promising; we will meet or surpass PMT non-linearity systematic error requirements.
- At 7 nA and 14 nA LLs, get smaller non-linearity for smaller preAmp gain and higher HV.
- At 0.7 nA LL, get smaller non-linearity for larger preAmp gain and smaller HV.
- Results from quartet analysis were not significantly different than those from non-quartet after implementing the 20 cycle data collection technique.
- Different approaches of subtracting pedestal didn't cause any difference in the non-linearity result.
- Planning to study non-linearity at other LLs and with different PMTs.
- Constant temperature data collection technique; exploring now.
- Also, still planning to explore the Qweak style non-linearity measurements which use 3 LEDs (two of them flashing at different rates and one steady).

THANK YOU

All the plots of the study can be found at:

daq3.physics.isu.edu/linearity/Linearity.html.

Extra Slides

Steps in Error Analysis

First Order non-Linearity

$$1. A_{LED} = A_{true} (1 + \beta * N_{avg})$$

$$2. N = \beta * N_{avg} = \frac{p_1}{p_0} * N_{avg} * 100\%$$

Here, p_1 and p_0 are the fit parameters

$$3. \frac{\partial N}{\partial p_0} = -\frac{p_1}{p_0^2} * N_{avg} * 100\%$$

$$4. \frac{\partial N}{\partial p_1} = \frac{1}{p_0} * N_{avg} * 100\%$$

$$5. \partial N = \sqrt{(\partial p_1)^2 \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial p_1}\right)^2 + (\partial p_0)^2 \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial p_0}\right)^2}$$

$$6. \partial N = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial p_1}{p_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial p_0}{p_0}\right)^2} * \frac{p_1}{p_0} * N_{avg} * 100\%$$

Second Order non-Linearity

$$1. A_{LED} = A_{true} (1 + \beta * N_{avg} + \alpha * N_{avg}^2)$$

$$2. N = \beta * N_{avg} + \alpha * N_{avg}^2$$

$$N = \frac{p_1}{p_0} * N_{avg} * 100\% + \frac{p_2}{p_0} * N_{avg}^2 * 100\% = x + y$$

Here, p_2 , p_1 and p_0 are the fit parameters

$$3. \partial N = \sqrt{(\partial x)^2 + (\partial y)^2}$$

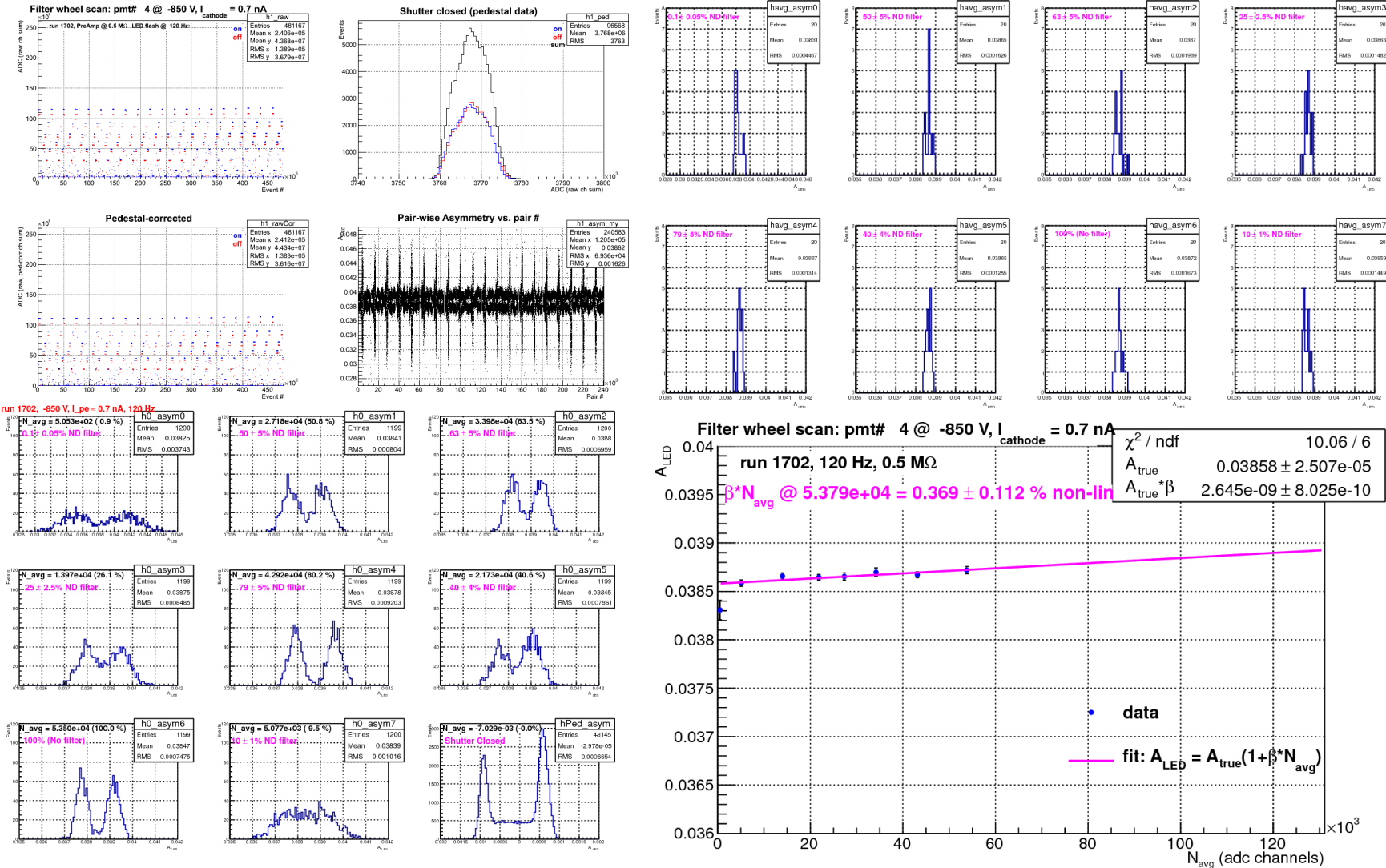
$$4. \partial x = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial p_1}{p_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial p_0}{p_0}\right)^2} * \frac{p_1}{p_0} * N_{avg} * 100\%$$

$$5. \partial x = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial p_2}{p_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial p_0}{p_0}\right)^2} * \frac{p_2}{p_0} * N_{avg}^2 * 100\%$$

$$6. \partial N = \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{\partial p_1}{p_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial p_0}{p_0}\right)^2\right] * p_1^2 + \left[\left(\frac{\partial p_2}{p_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial p_0}{p_0}\right)^2\right] * p_2^2 * N_{avg}^2} * \frac{N_{avg}}{p_0} * 100\%$$

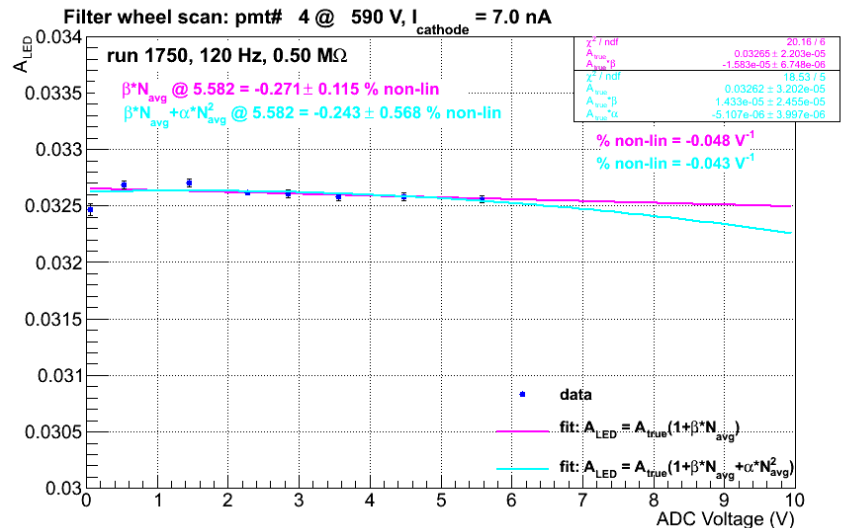
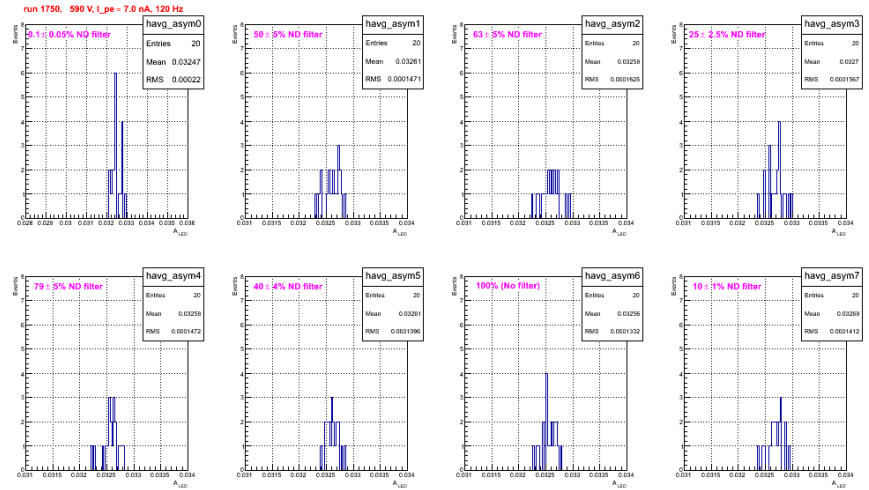
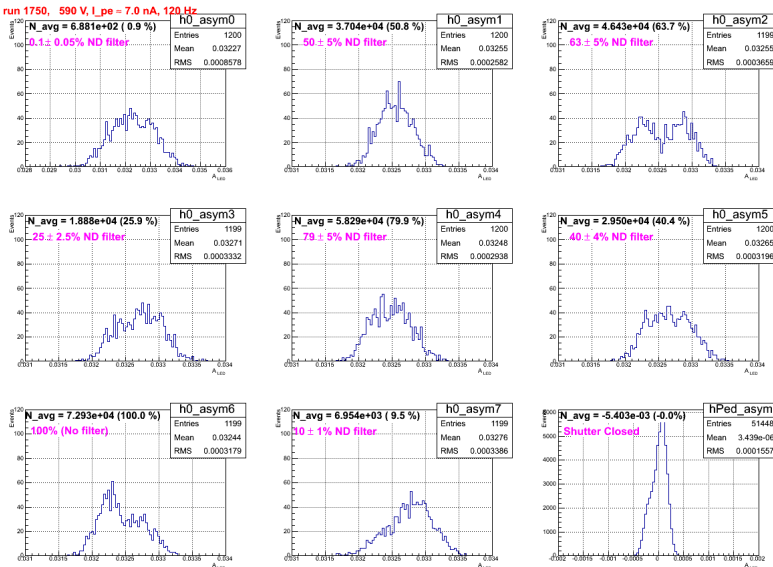
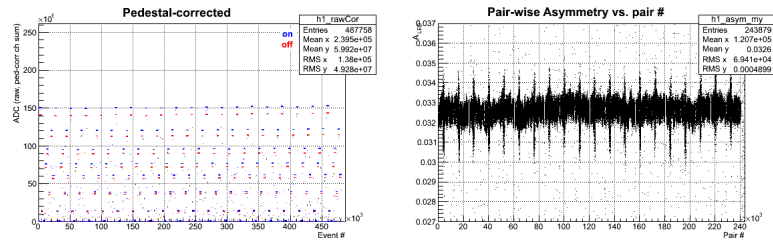
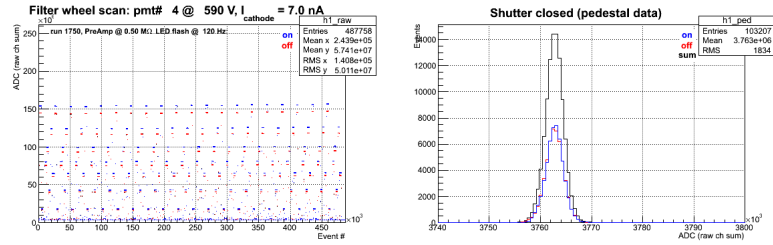
0.7 nA LL Measurement

- 0.5 MΩ preAmp and -850 V High Voltage.



7 nA LL Measurement

- 0.5 MΩ preAmp and -590 V High Voltage.



14 nA LL Measurement

- 0.01 MΩ preAmp and -1000 V High Voltage.

