

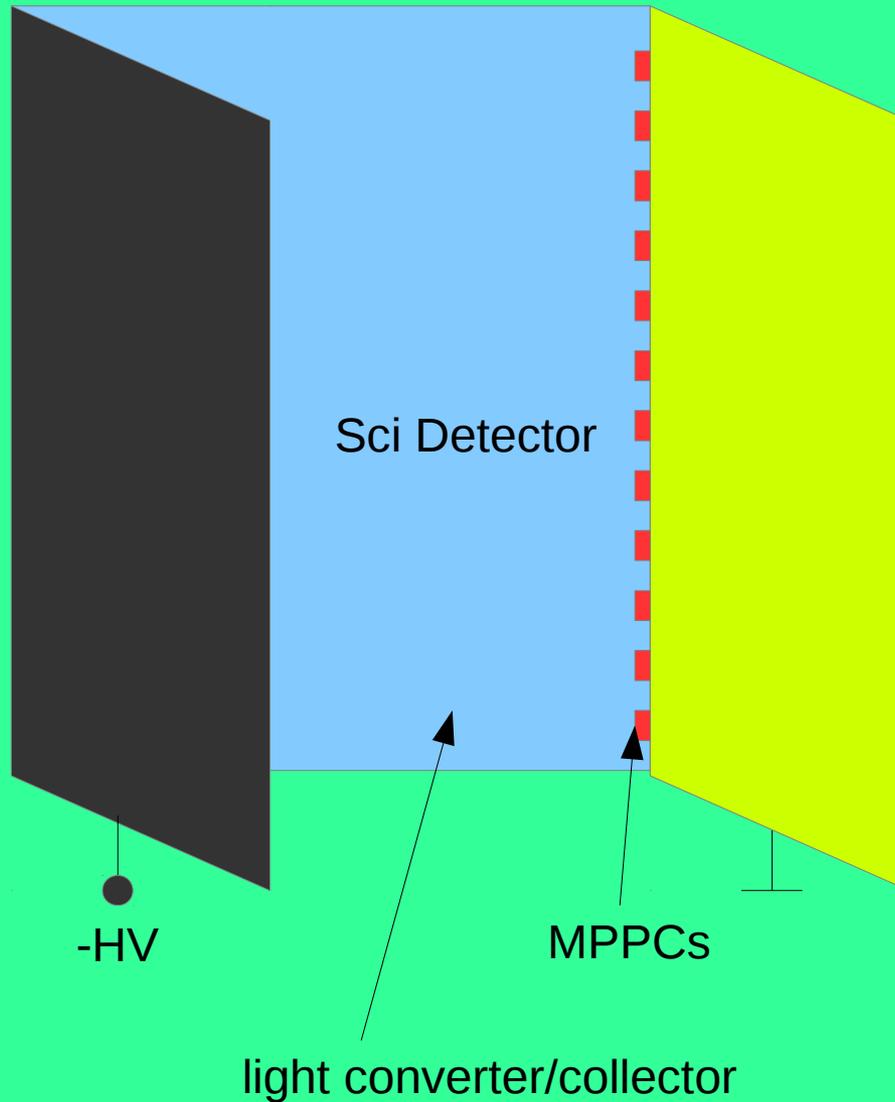
LArPix light readout

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Off-anode scintillation detectors



Pros:

- Large area available
- Easy readout at the edge

Cons:

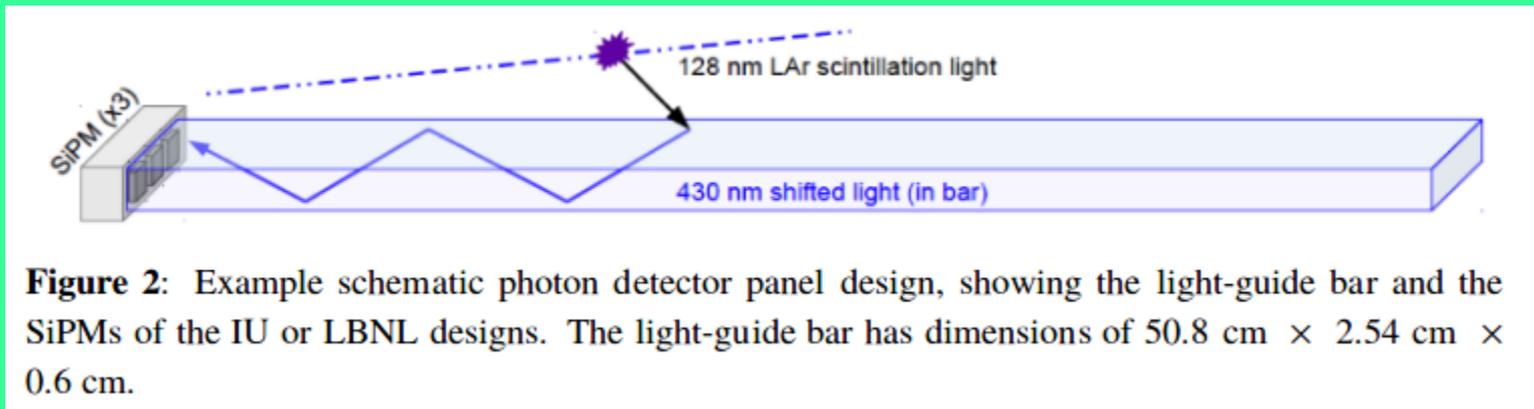
- (partly) screens field cage

Features:

- must be dielectric (except the edge)

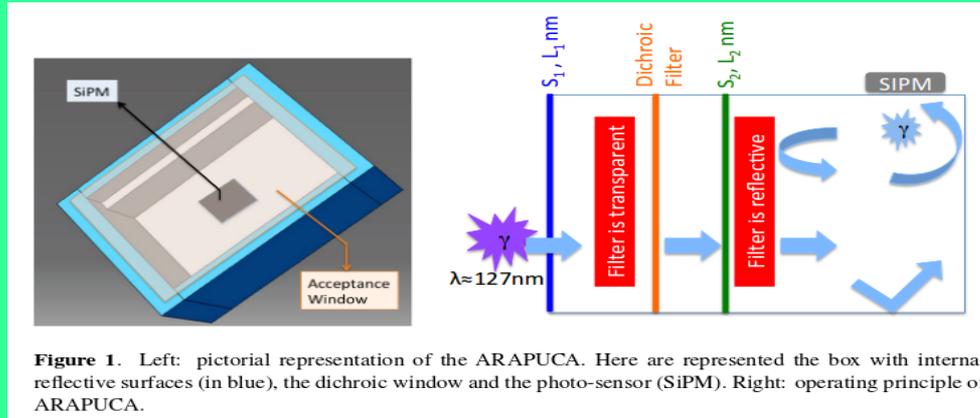
Off-anode scintillation detectors technologies available single WLS

PDE ~ 1%



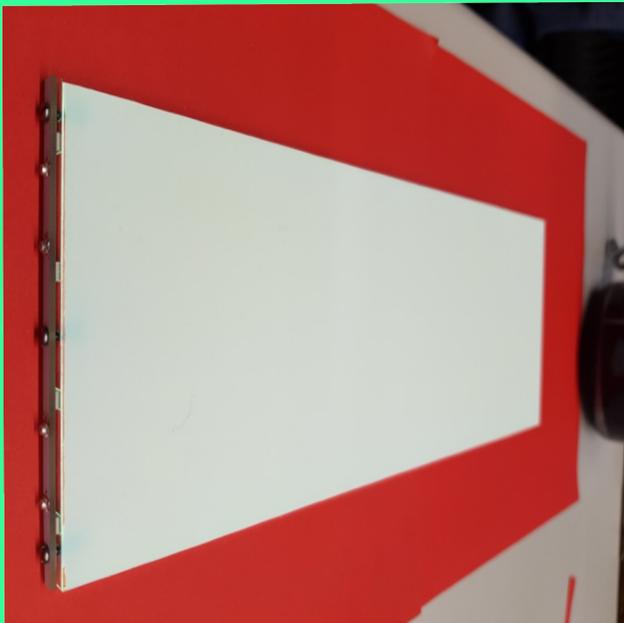
D. L. Adams et al., Photon detector system timing performance in the DUNE 35-ton prototype liquid argon time projection chamber, arXiv:1803.06379v3

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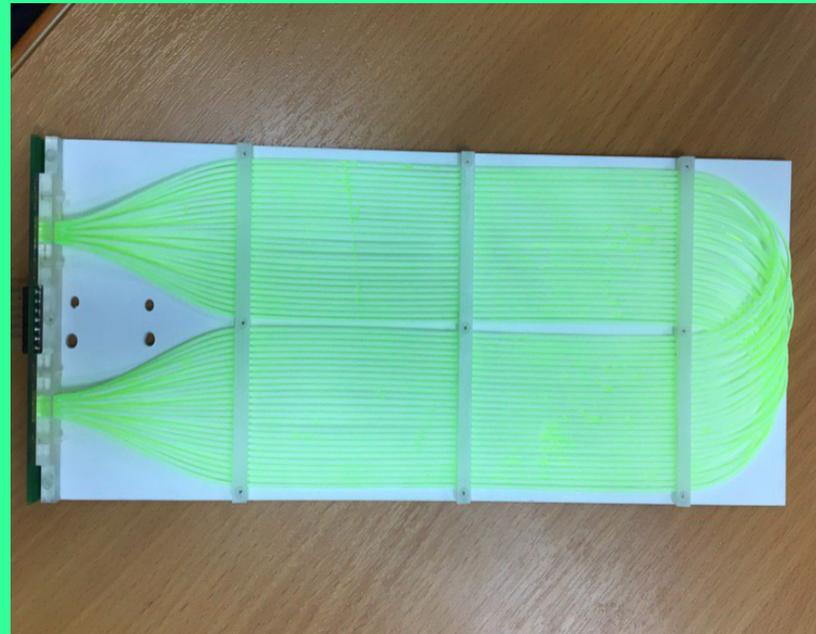


PDE \sim 1%
(up to 10% ?)

A.A. Machado and E. Segreto 2016 JINST 11 C02004

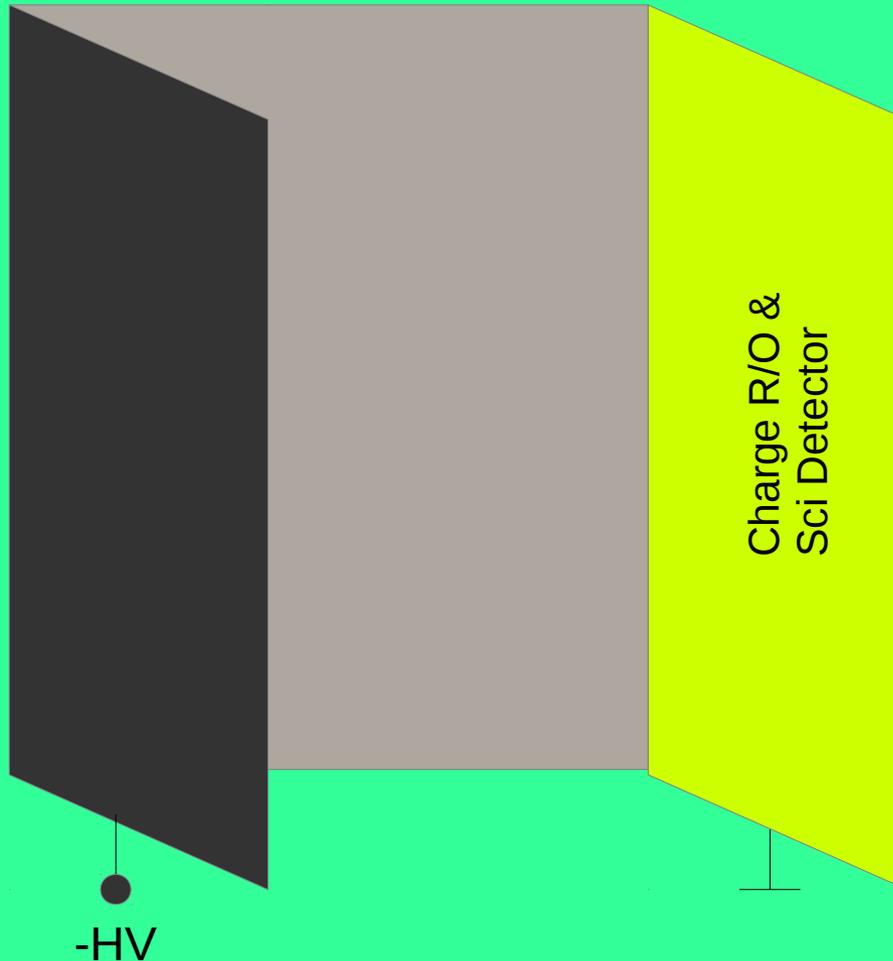


Prototype ArCLight tile (Instruments 2 (2018) no.1, 3).



JINR's Prototype LCM

On-anode scintillation detectors (pixelated anode)



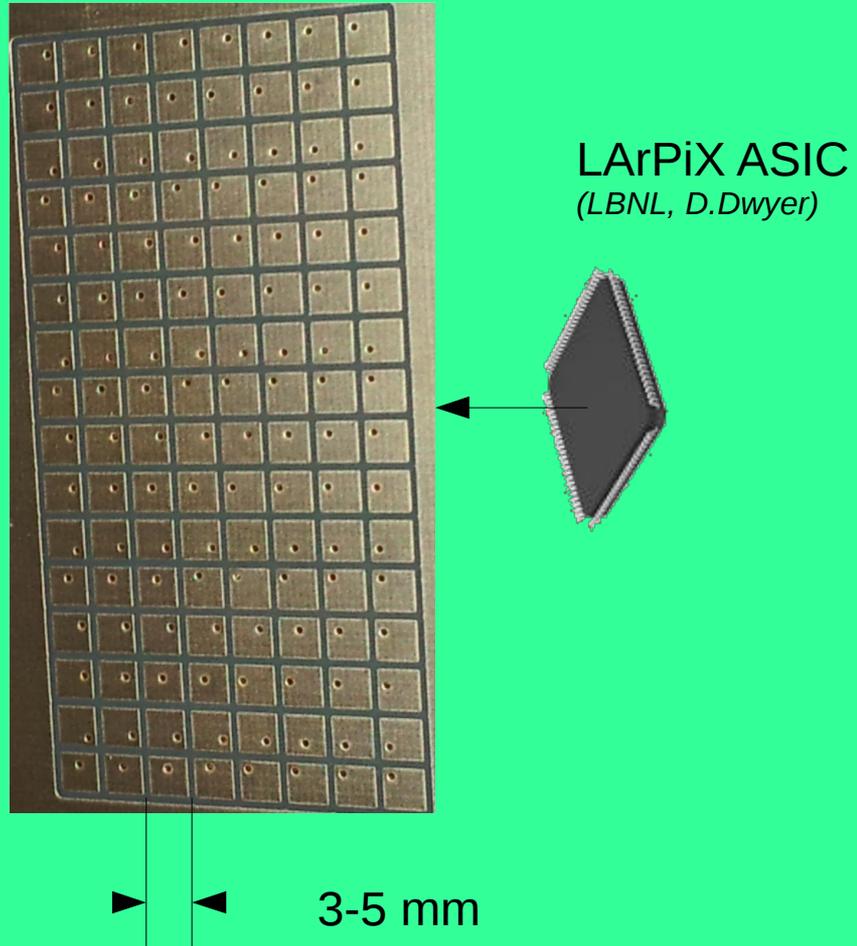
Pros:

- Large area available
- Easy readout at GND potential
- No screening of the field cage

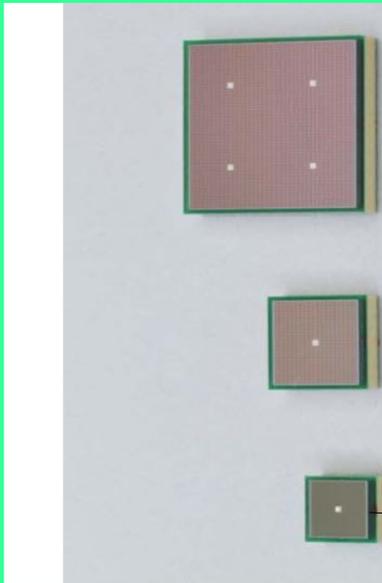
Cons:

- Partial loss of charge collecting area (not necessarily ?!)

LArPix pixelated anode with LArPix ASIC



On-Anode: Conventional MPPC with WLS

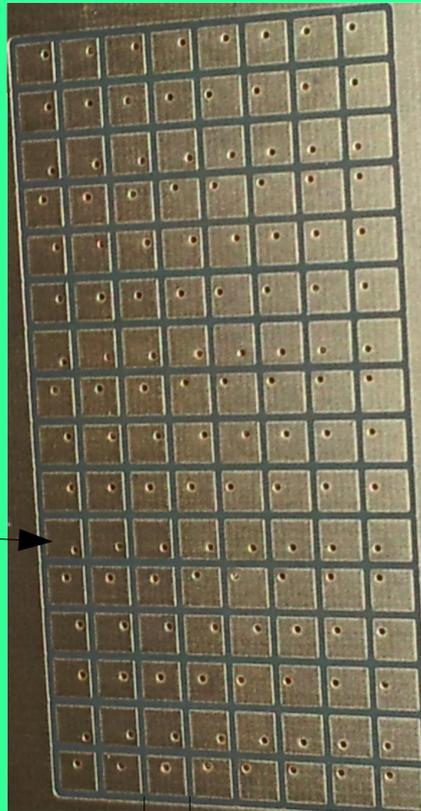


MPPC coated with TPB
(PEN?)

PDE ~ 40%

Surface fraction ~ 2%

Overall PDE ~ 1%

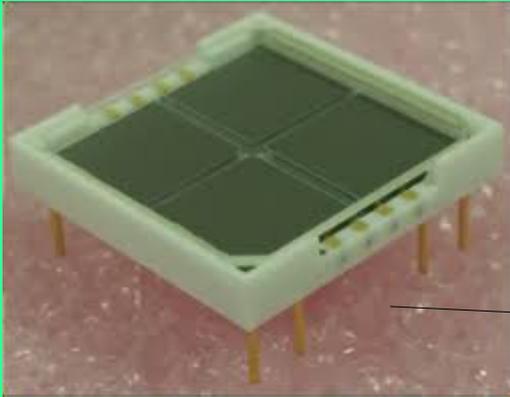


3-5 mm

LArPiX ASIC
(LBNL, D.Dwyer)



On-Anode: VUV MPPC



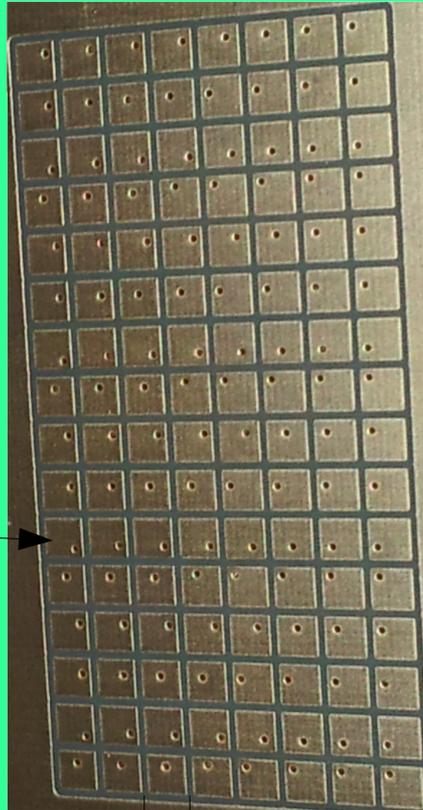
VUV MPPC

PDE ~ 12% (21% for LXe)

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1809.08701.pdf>
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1505.00091.pdf>

Surface fraction ~ 2%

Overall PDE ~ 0.3%



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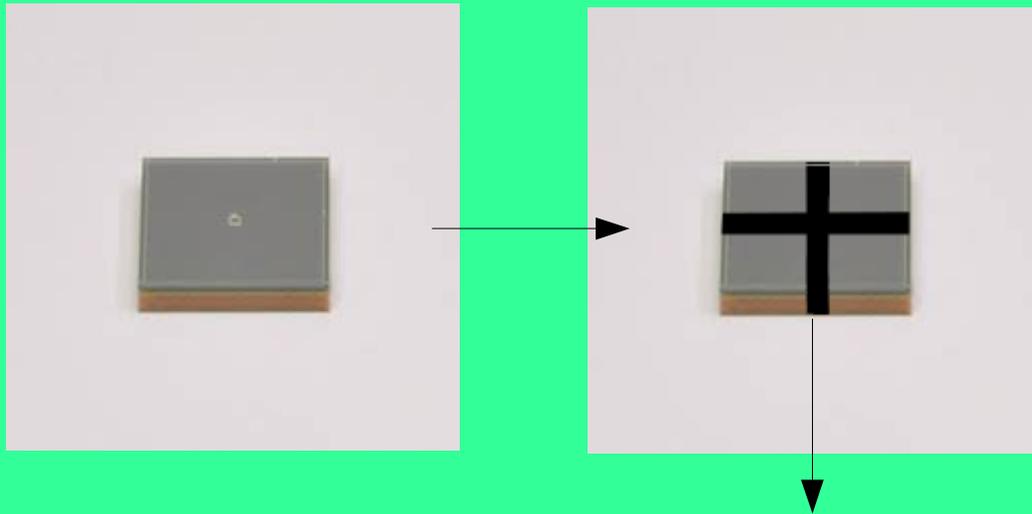


▶ ◀ 3-5 mm

On-Anode: Pixel with combined capabilities with hypotetic hybrid MPPC

Cons:

- Partial loss of charge collecting area
(not necessarily !!)



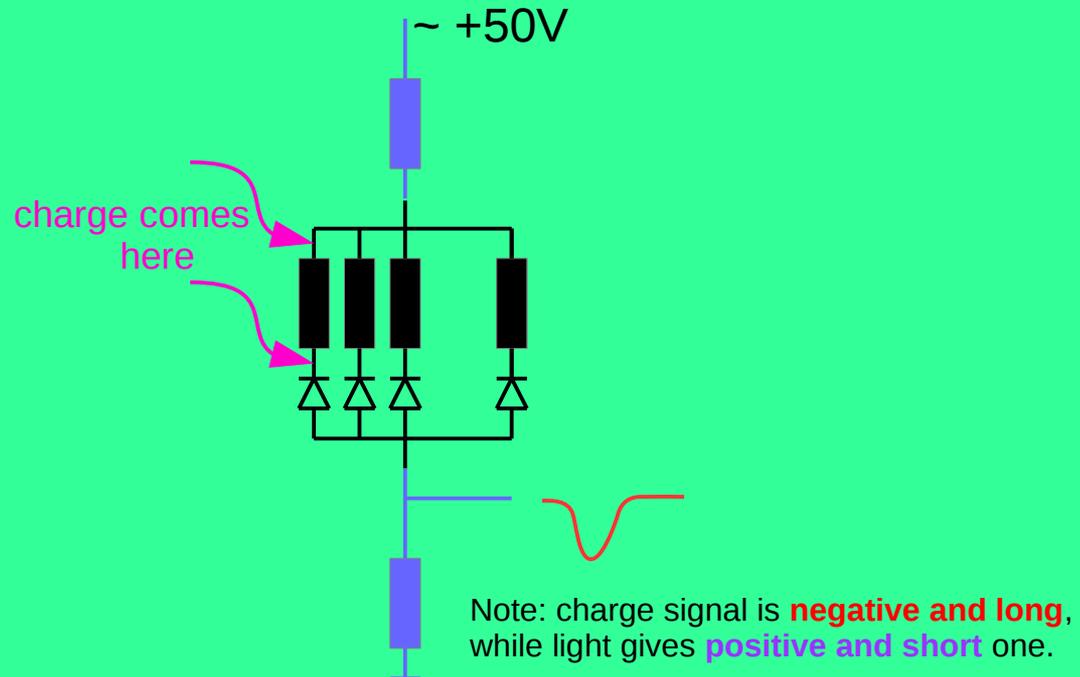
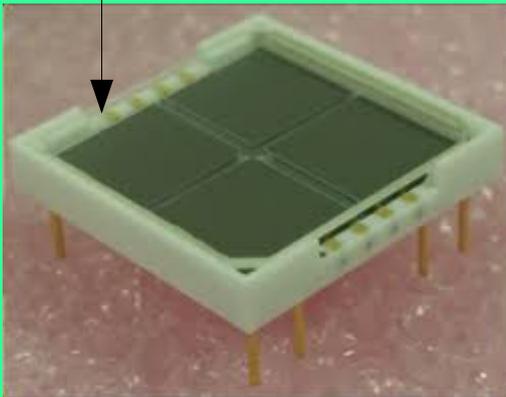
charge readout
from added Al pattern

On-Anode: Pixel with combined capabilities with commercial VUV MPPC

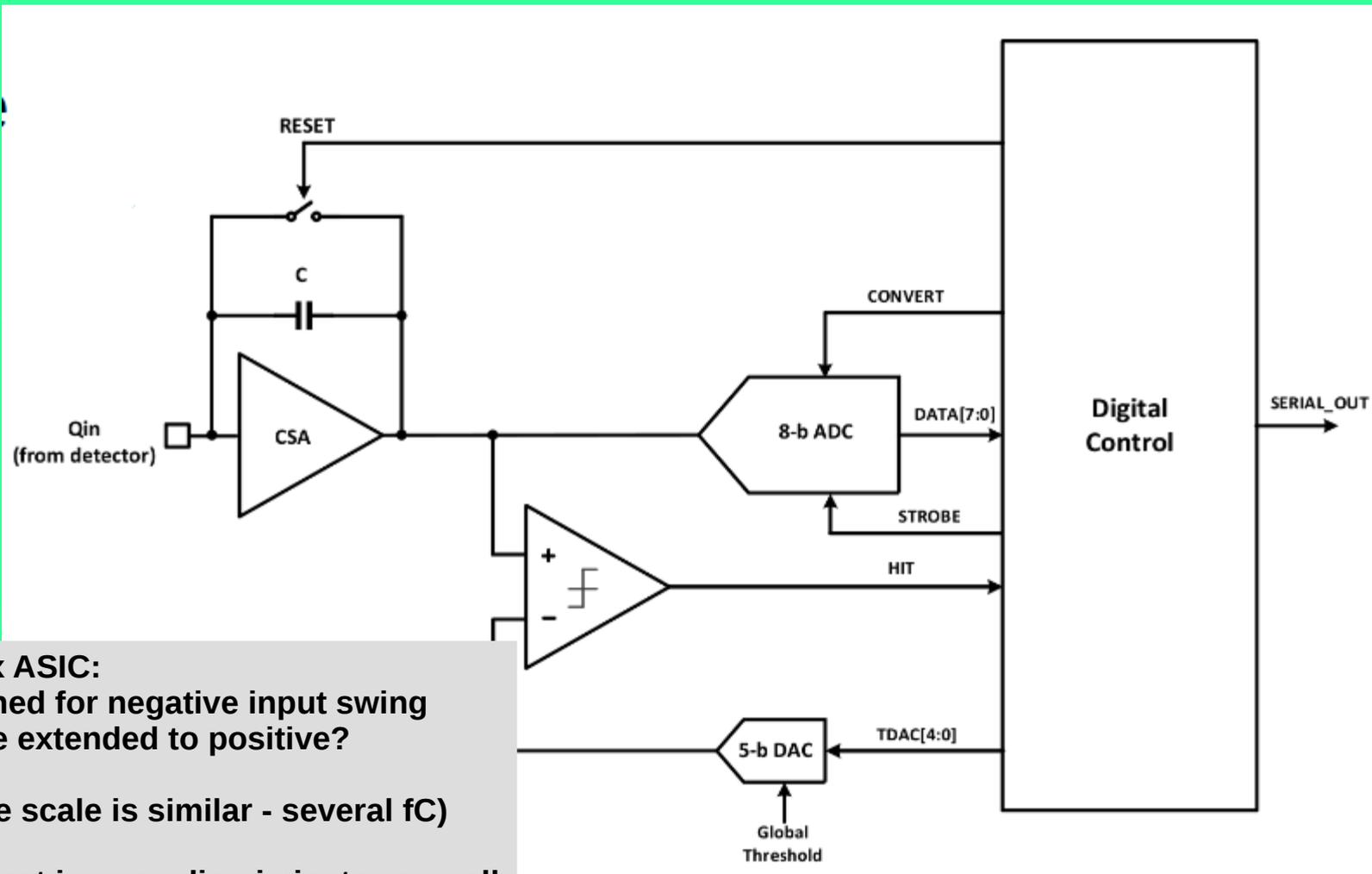
VUV MPPCs: made sensitive to VUV by removing/ minimizing surface layers

VUV-transparent window for surface protection.

If removed, conductive structure can be directly exposed to LAr ?



On-Anode: Pixel with combined capabilities readout (with LArPix V3?)



LArPix ASIC:

Designed for negative input swing
Can be extended to positive?

Charge scale is similar - several fC)

Need fast inverse discriminator as well

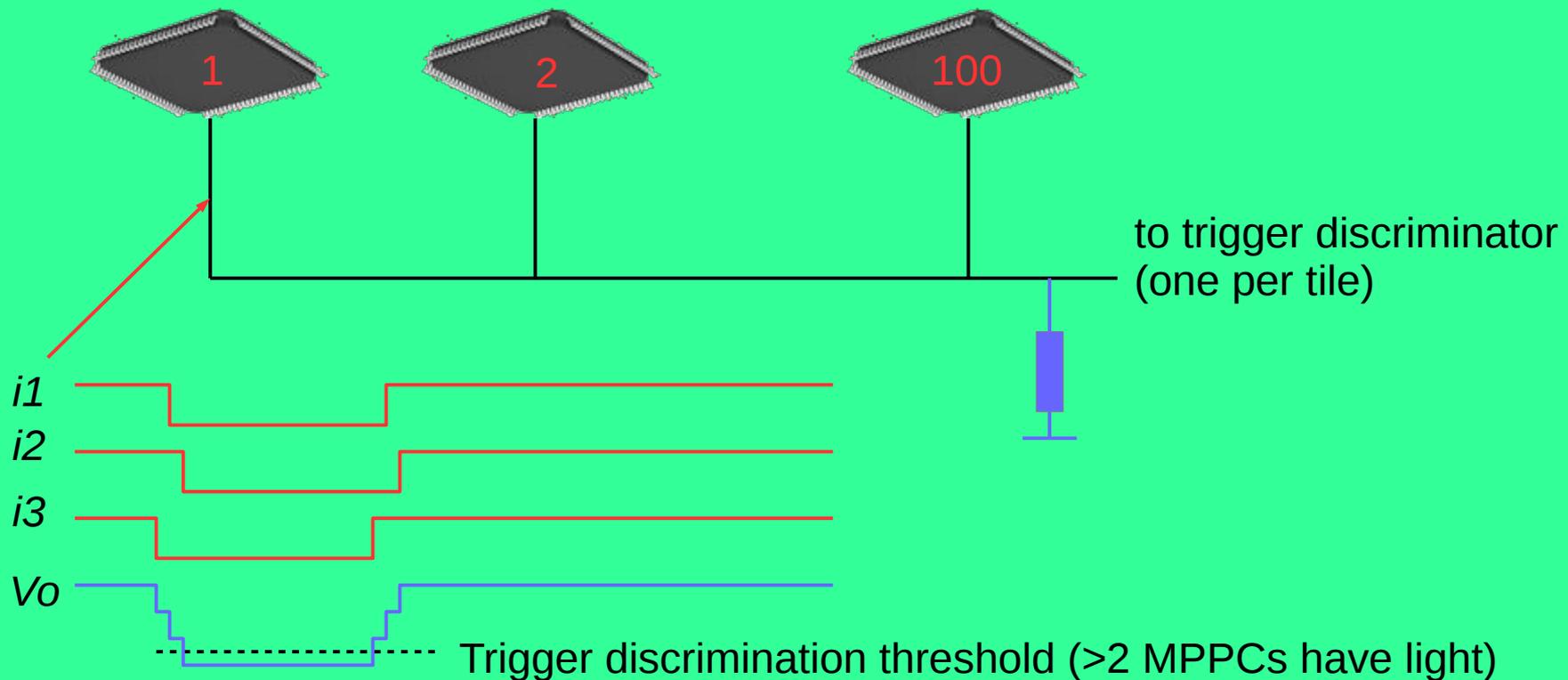
Input amplifier bandwidth is an issue!

On-Anode: Pixel with combined capabilities triggering (with LArPix V3?)

Assuming fast input preamp and discriminator is available in LArPix V3...

MPPC dark count rate at 87K is low, but still noticeable (10-100 Hz at 0.5 p.e.)
Need basic in-situ coincidence before sending trigger out...

Solution: analog summation of digital signals within one tile



Summary

- Off-anode and/or On-anode schemes can be considered
- Choice of technologies available for both, PDE ranging from fraction of % to tens of %
- Large room for R&D
- Need strong links to industry (MPPCs, ASICs, WLS, Dichroic reflectors)