Update on using 3D printer for coupler to SiPM

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x5 scale diffuser with fiber inserted



x5 scale diffuser with fiber inserted and red laser illumination



SiPM-scale model couplers with and w/o the diffuser





Laser pointer thru one of the "transparent" diffusers



SiPM-scale model w/o the diffuser, and fiber inserted





Oops. No idea what happened

While I can now print w/o Jeremy's help, limited to 5-10 prints per week until we get Covid-approval (was 1-2 per week if Jeremy did the printing)

Dozens of printing parameters, mostly trial and error now

Basic mechanical structures are close, focus turning to changing parameters to improve transparency

Have not found documents yet with SiPM face response or possible saturation levels, to motivate diffuser

Backup slides follow

Original cartoon







One piece or possibly 15 pieces in a frame

> Almost certainly has more material outside the 4x4 square for ease of handling



Printer=Ultimaker S5

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Materials used so far:
White PLA
Transparent PLA
(PLA = Polylactic Acid)
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CadQuery 2.0 Documentation

CadQuery is an intuitive, easy-to-use Python library for building parametric 3D CAD models. It has several goals:

- Build models with scripts that are as close as possible to how you'd describe the object to a human, using a standard, already established programming language
- · Create parametric models that can be very easily customized by end users
- Output high quality CAD formats like STEP and AMF in addition to traditional STL
- Provide a non-proprietary, plain text model format that can be edited and executed with only a web browser

See CadQuery in Action

This Getting Started Video will show you what CadQuery can do. Please note that the video has not been updated for CadQuery 2.0 and still shows CadQuery use within FreeCAD.

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First x5 scale cone with hole for fiber

Some black residue from previous printer usage, Jeremy says a repeat cone print would have been fine. More on optical quality on next slides

Did not notice brittleness, but if it's a problem "Tough PLA white" available

Main issue is that fiber hole is covered on the end (can see a partial open tube on inside of cone)



A lot of information about optical-quality 3D printing



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