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# Study for the optimization of the working point of the SAND calorimeter read-out electronics in DUNE: update

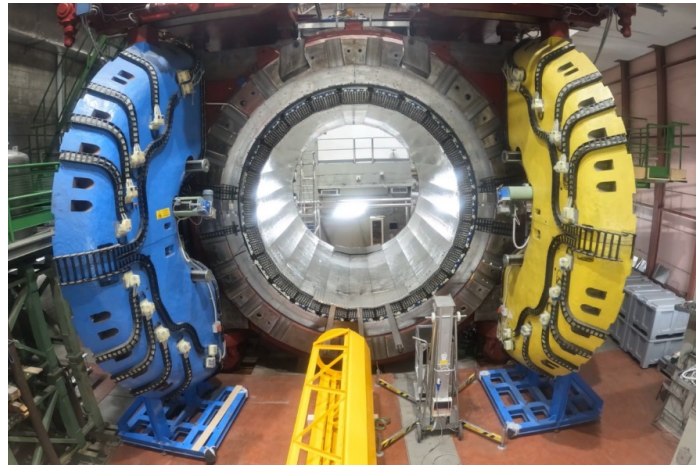


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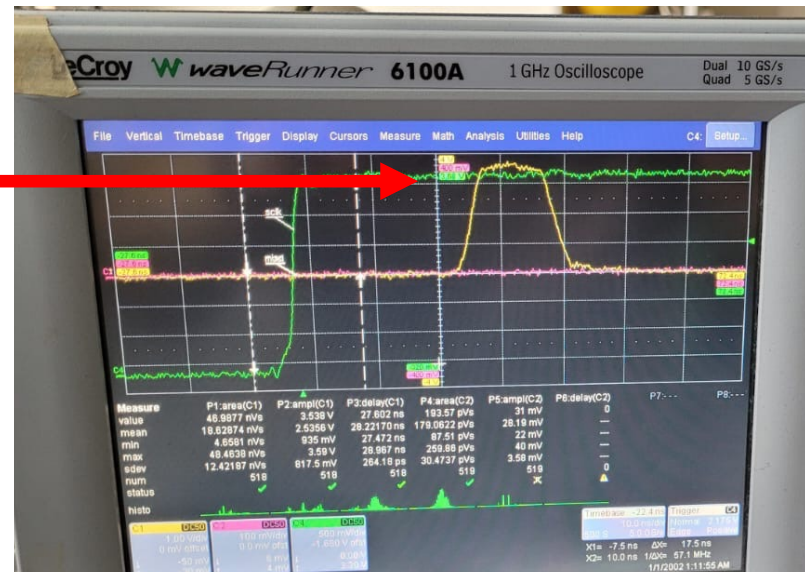
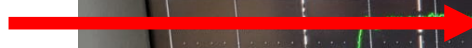
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# Test of preamp saturation

with preamplifier

saturation over 3.2 V



In this specific case (negligible cable length) we expect:

$$V_{\text{dis}}(\text{max}) = V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max}) \cdot 0.5 = 2.35 \text{ V}$$

Assuming to increase  $V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max})$  by 15% while keeping linearity at an acceptable level, e.g. 1% (to be tested), we get:

$$V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max}) = 5.4 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{\text{dis}}(\text{max}) = V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max}) \cdot 0.5 = 2.7 \text{ V}$$

# “Stretching” the choice of the dynamic range

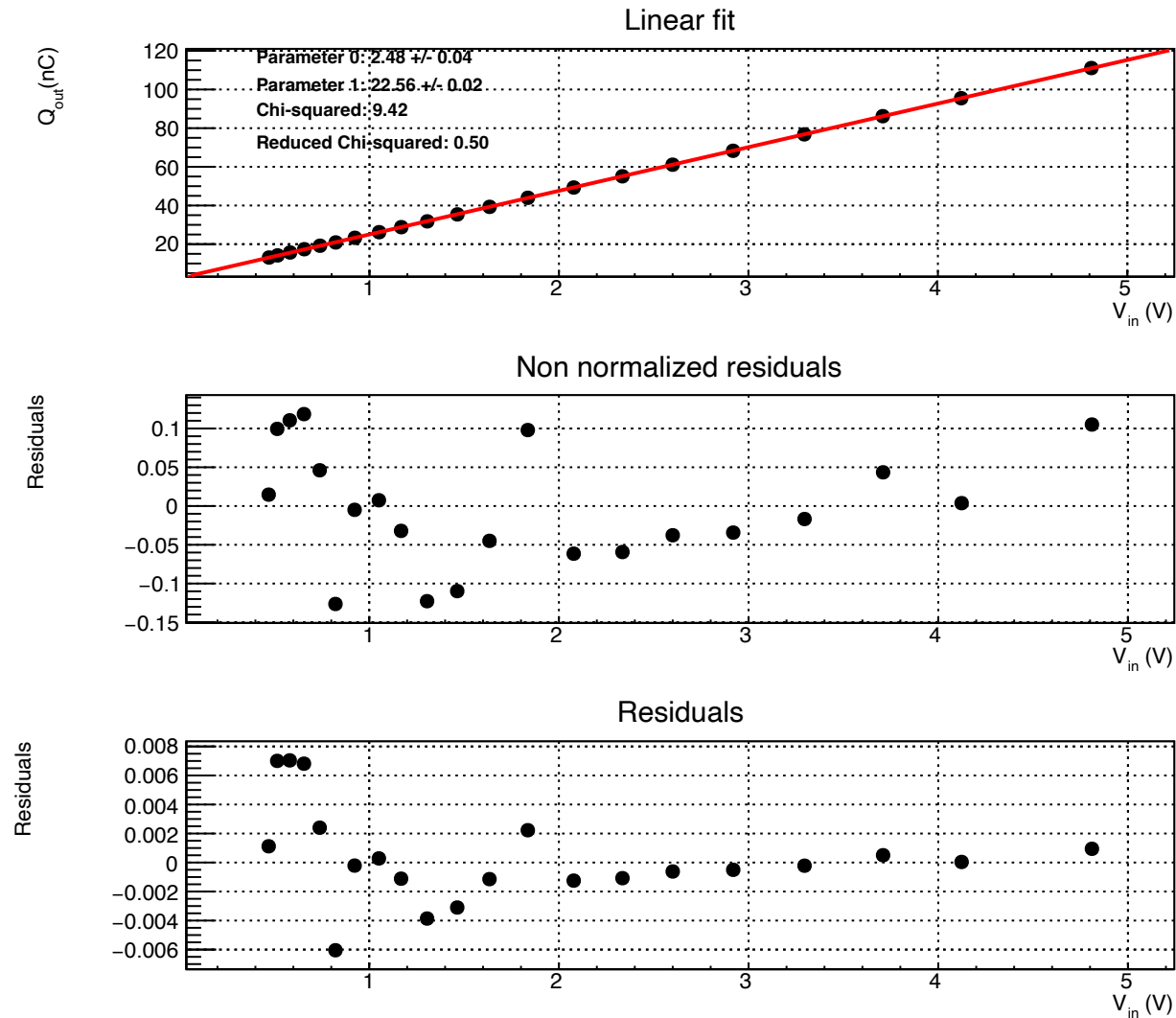
Assuming:

- to increase  $V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max})$  by 15%  $\Rightarrow V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max}) = 5.4 \text{ V}$
- $(N_{\text{pe}} G_{\text{PM}})(\text{max}) = 95 \cdot 10^7$
- $V_{\text{dis}}(\text{max}) = V_{\text{preamp}}(\text{max}) \cdot 0.5 \cdot C_{\text{ATT}} = 2.0 \text{ V}$
- to have a very low noise environment as in KLOE  $\Rightarrow$  lowering (halving) the minimum discriminator/digitizer threshold to  $V_{\text{TH}} = 2.5 \text{ mV}$

$G_{\text{PM}}$ ( $\times 10^5$ )	$G_{\text{tot}}$ ( $\times 10^6$ )	$N_{\text{pe}}(\text{max})$	signal amplitude (mV/pe)	$N_{\text{pe}}(\text{min})$ $V_{\text{TH}} = 2.5 \text{ mV}$	MeV at module center
4.8	1.2	$\sim 2000$	1.0	$\sim 3$	3.0
6.4	1.6	$\sim 1500$	1.3	$\sim 2$	2.0
9.5	2.4	$\sim 1000$	2.0	$\sim 1$	1.0

- Different dynamic ranges can be implemented changing  $G_{\text{PM}} \Rightarrow$  the final choice should be a compromise between an affordable level of events with energy saturated cells, depending on  $N_{\text{pe}}(\text{max})$ , and an acceptable neutron detection efficiency, depending on  $N_{\text{pe}}(\text{min})$ .

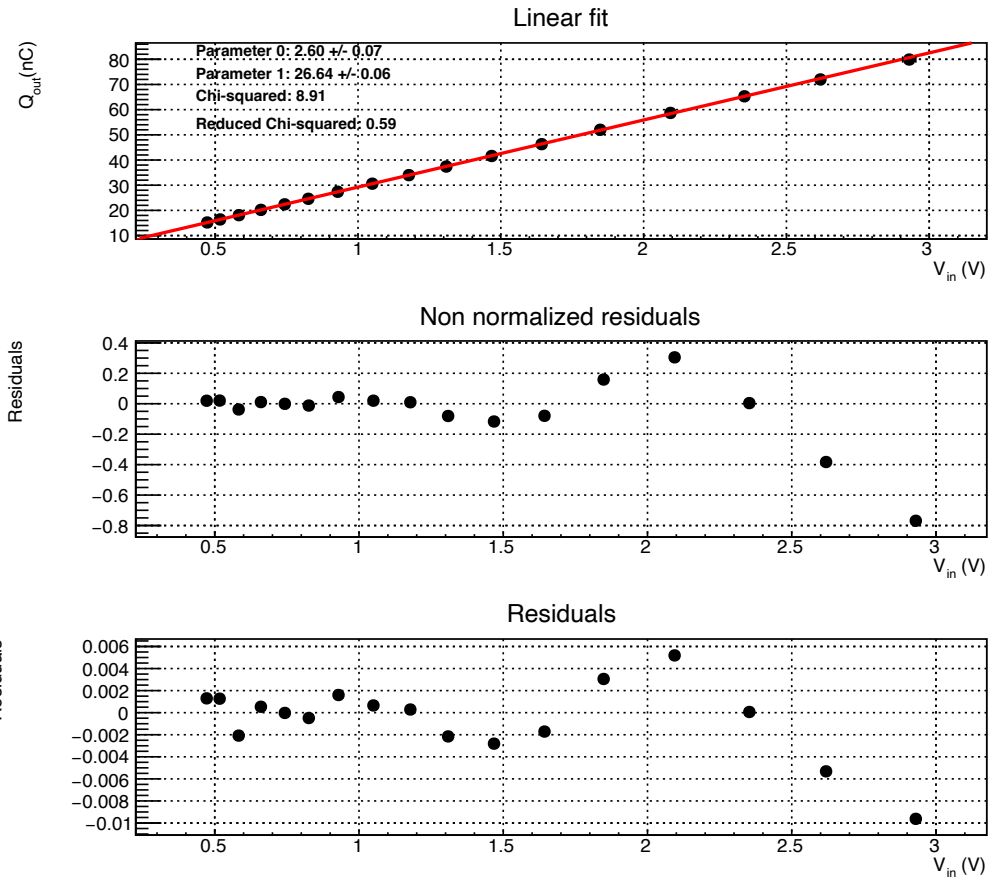
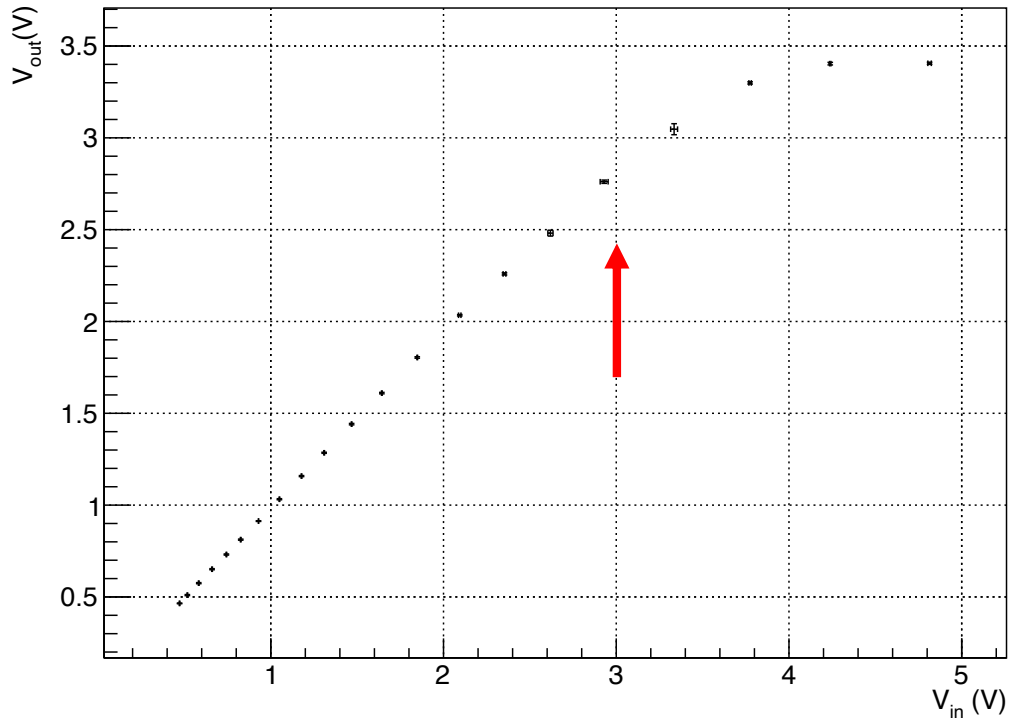
## Linearity of the test system without preamp



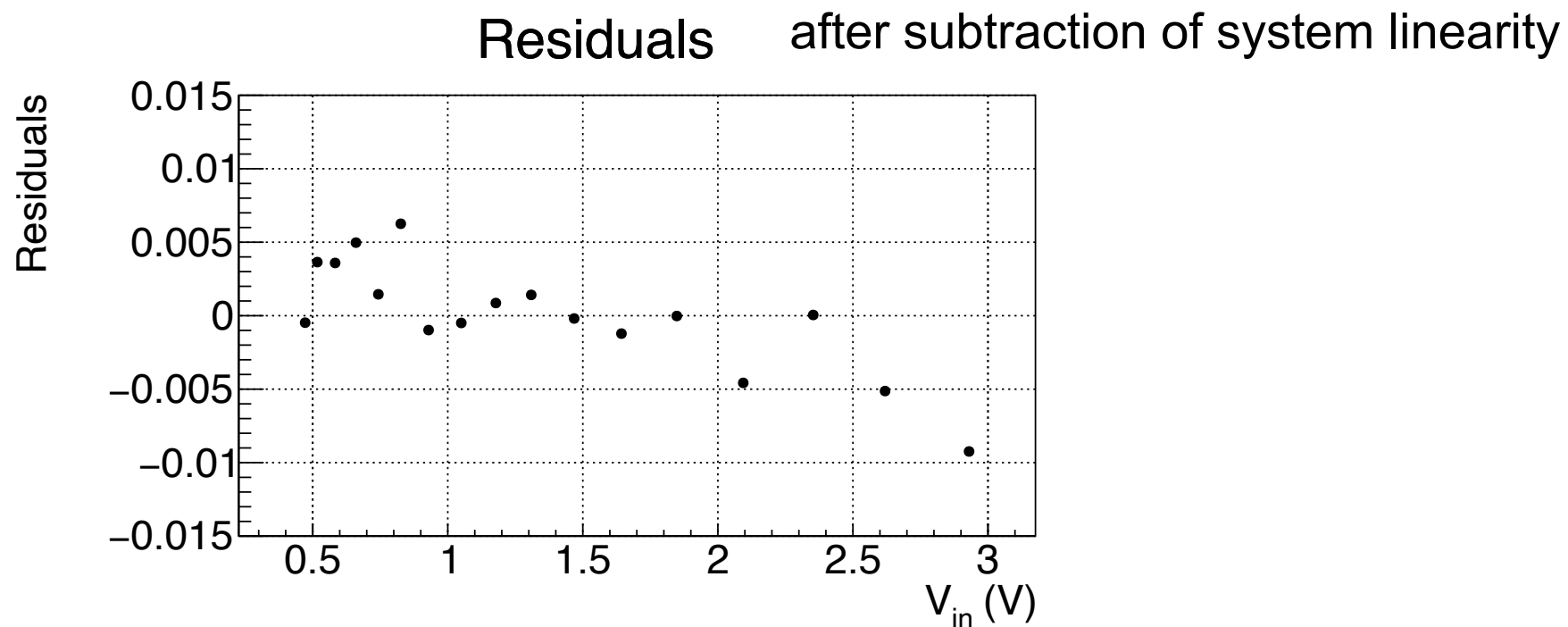
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## Preamp linearity test

Linearity test



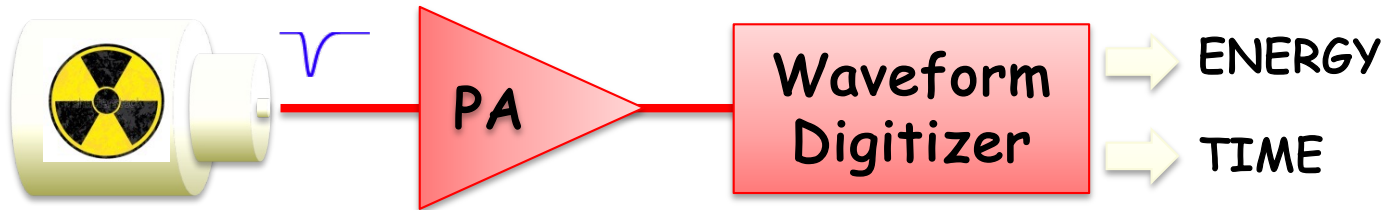
## Preamp linearity test



Constraints on signal dynamic range  
see previous slides

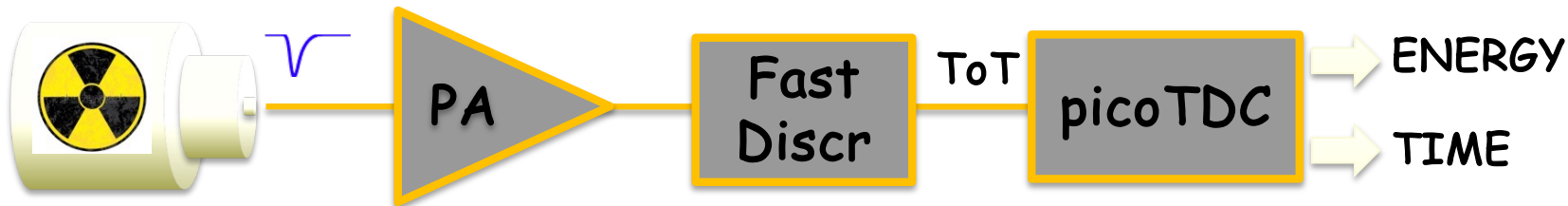
Two possible read-out schemes:

Detector



*High Flexibility*  
 $F_{\text{sampl}} \sim 1 \text{ GS/s} \Rightarrow \text{High Cost}$   
or  
 $F_{\text{sampl}} \sim 125\text{-}250 \text{ MS/s}$   
+ signal shaper  
 $\Rightarrow \text{medium Cost}$

Detector



*No Flexibility*  
 $\Rightarrow \text{medium cost}$   
energy by ToT  
with 2 or more  
thresholds not to  
worsen energy resol.

CAEN:

possible ready-to-use solution maintaining KLOE energy and time performance

## Digitizer solution:

$$V_{\text{signal}}(\text{max}) = 2 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{\text{signal}}(\text{min}) = O(0.1) \text{ mV}$$

=> no problems to set  $V_{\text{TH}}$  and

$$V_{\text{signal}}(\text{max}) \text{ to match } V_{\text{dis}}(\text{max})$$

## Best choice, high cost:

1 GS/s digitizer

=> 1 ns: 4-5 time measurements  
on the rising edge of the 14 ns base  
signal to preserve time resolution

## Lower cost choice:

A shaper is needed to stretch the  
signal to use a lower cost digitizer,  
125 or 250 MS/s => 8 or 4 ns

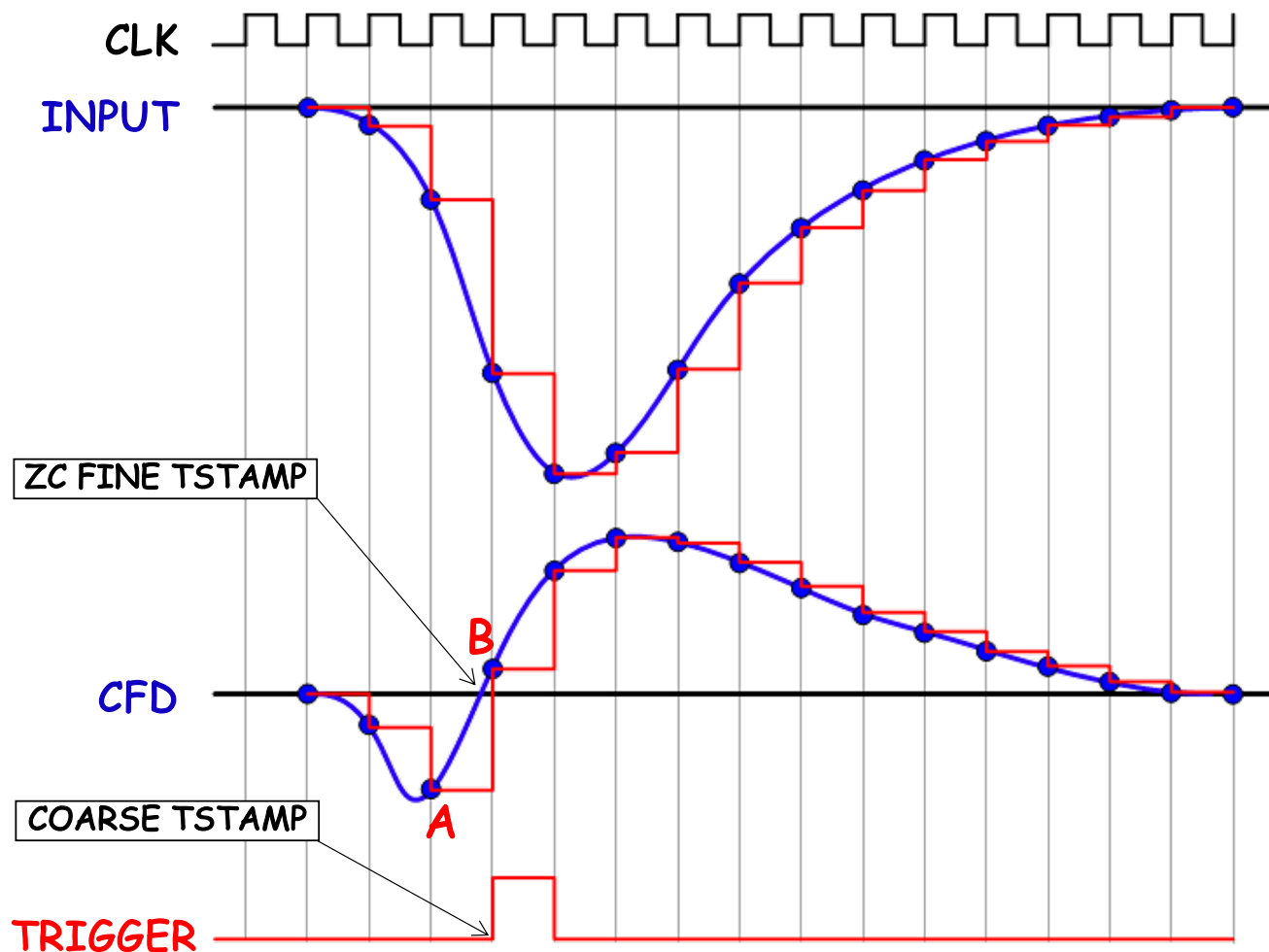
## Optimal choice:

250 MS/s digitizer

=> 4 ns

stretch x4 the signal from 14 to 56 ns  
to keep the pile-up  
at the minimum (1%).

## Digital CFD with interpolation





1) campionare il segnale con un flash ADC a 1 GS/s, almeno 12 bit.  
Costosa e non pronta tecnicamente (esiste 10 bit)

2) campionare il segnale con un V2730 oppure V1730, ovvero un digitizer a 500 MS/s, 14 bit con applicazione algoritmi di correzione e calibrazione sviluppati ad hoc (sviluppati da CAEN con esito positivo)

3) usare uno shaper analogico che rallenti il segnale originale, quindi campionarlo con un V2745, ovvero a 125 MS/s, 16 bit.  
=> peggioramento pile-up

4) basare il readout su scheda FERS A5203, ovvero TDC a 3 ps di risoluzione. In questo caso, per avere l'informazione di ampiezza, si usa il parametro TOT (tempo sopra soglia) che, opportunamente calibrato, potrebbe dare una stima di PHA. inoltre, il TOT verrebbe anche usato per la correzione dello walk, una tecnica alternativa al CFD. Probabilmente, data la dinamica di circa 1000, è necessario prevedere almeno due soglie, quindi servono 2 canali di discriminatore + TDC per ogni segnale da leggere.

Il costo a canale dovrebbe comunque essere inferiore rispetto a quello dei digitizer, anche in caso di doppia soglia.

test in CAEN di 2) e 4) con segnale da impulsatore identico a segnale da PMT.  
entro dicembre.