



BAND Laser Calibration System

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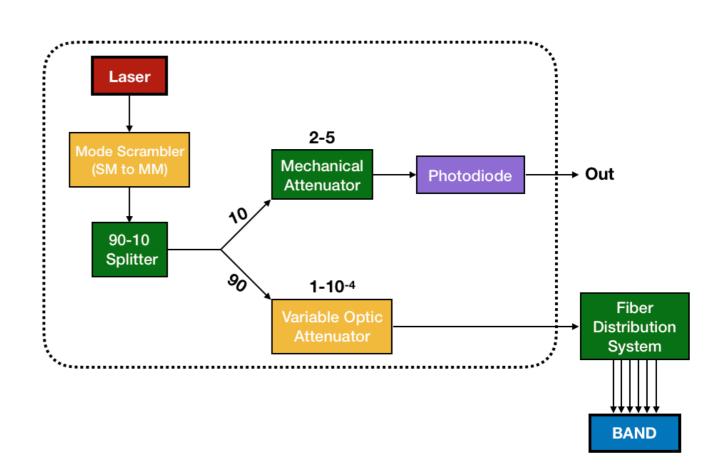




System Overview and Motivation



- System is intended for providing time-calibration for BAND detectors
- Controlled laser pulse of variable intensity
- Pulse split among 400 destinations
- Precise timing signal from internal photodiode
- Well-suited to determining amplitudedependent time-response

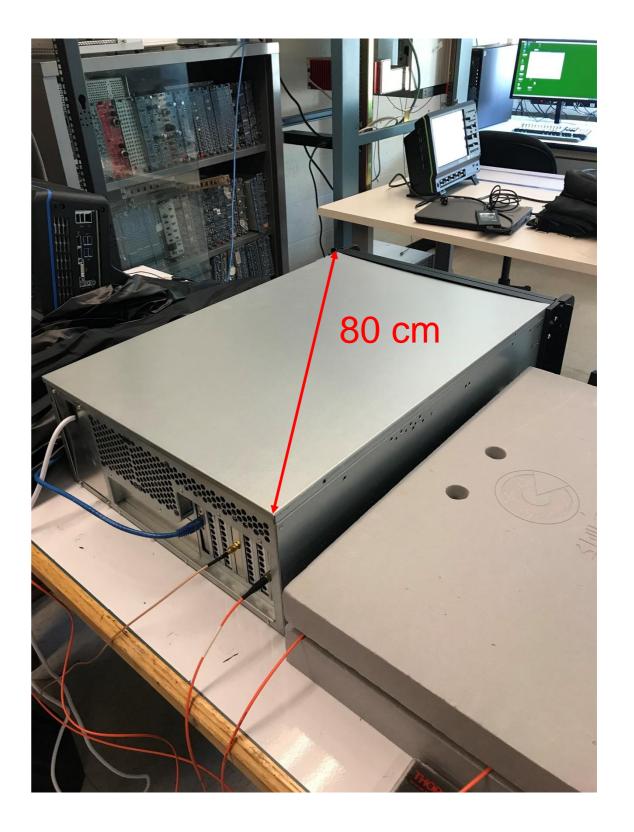




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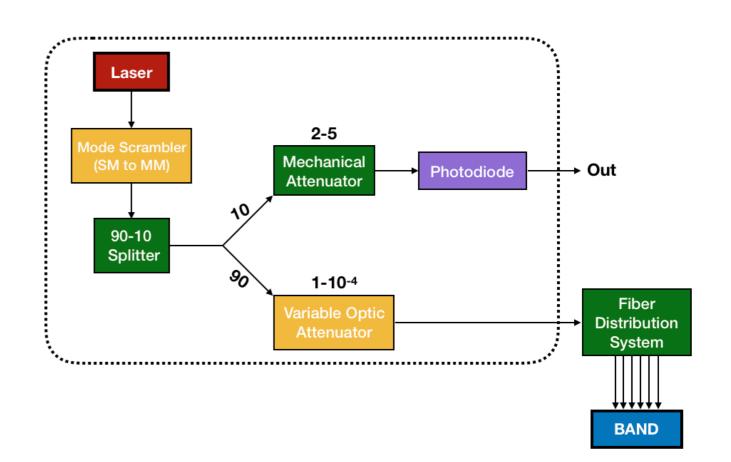




Laser Box



- Laser emits pulse:
 - 355 nm
 - 300 ps
 - 10 Hz 2 kHz
- Light passes through:
 - Mode Scrambler
 - 90/10 Splitter
 - 10% of light directed to Fast Photodiode (Rise time of 700 ps)
 - Variable Attenuator
- Light exits box to distribution system

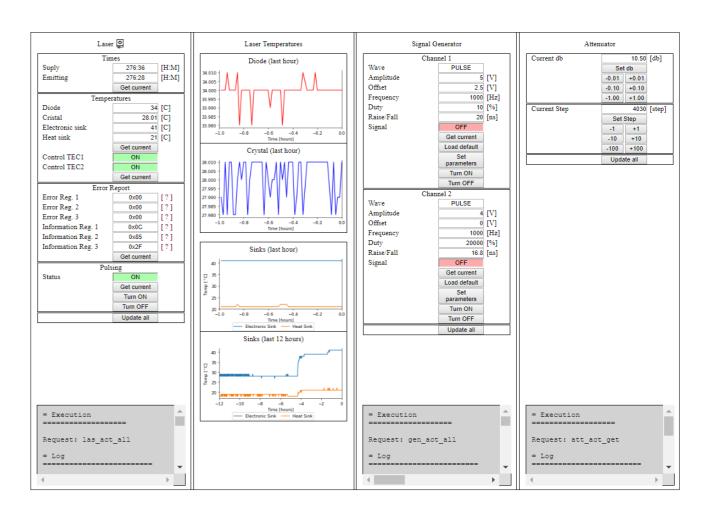


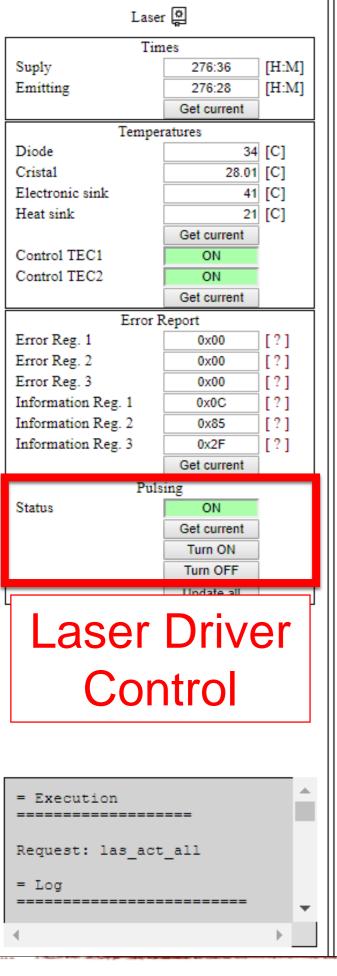


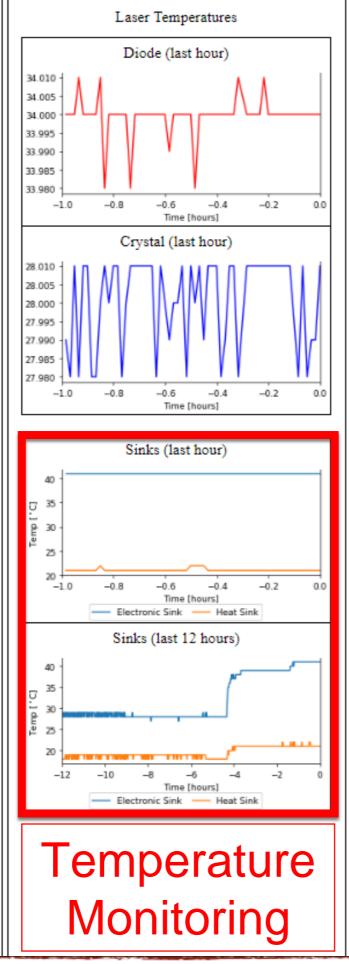
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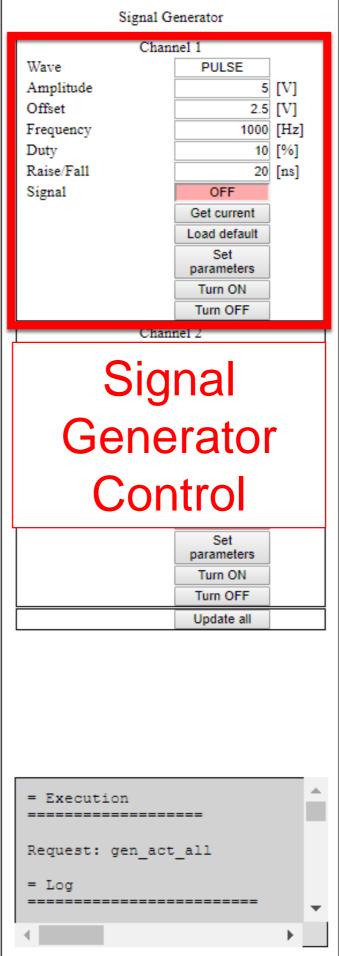


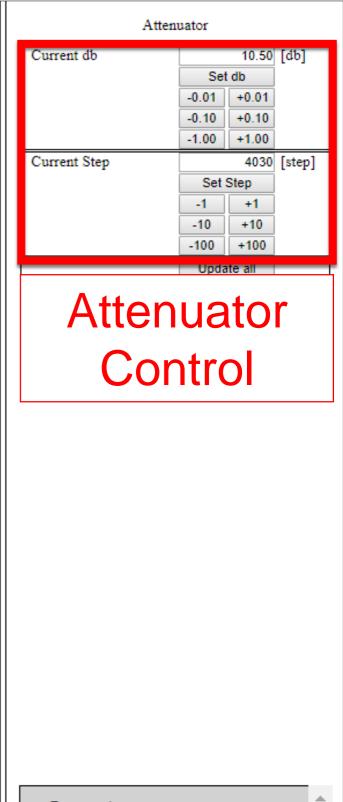
- System controlled and monitored by Raspberry Pi, linked to online webpage providing:
 - Laser Driver Control
 - Signal Generator Control
 - Variable Attenuator Control
 - Temperature Monitoring











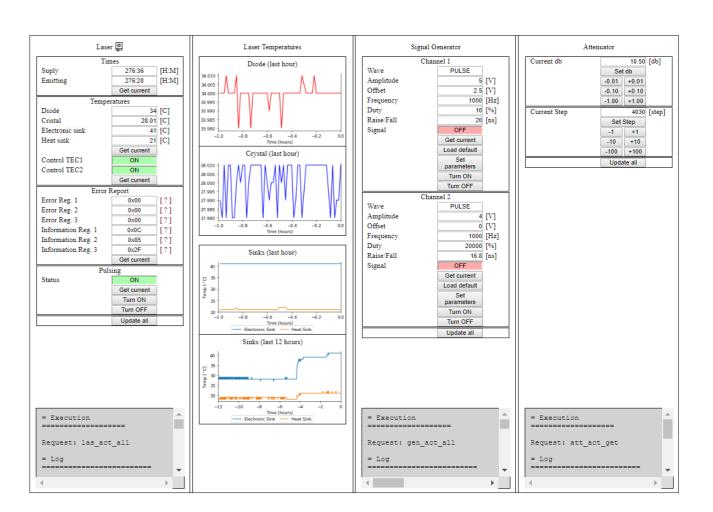
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Web-Based Control System



- User-proof against incorrect instructions
- Scheduling of instructions (within the week)





Fiber Distribution System



- Laser pulse exits laser box through optical fiber
- Fiber inserts to 400x splitter
- Splitter has 20 rows of output fibers
 - Each row contains 20 output connectors
- 383 fibers fall within designated insertion loss range





Fiber Insertion to Scintillator



- Incision should be made in covering of scintillator bar, or windows pre-prepared
- Special fiber ends should be inserted into incision
- Fiber connection point should be secured and covered
- Connection should be checked for light leakage





System Initialization

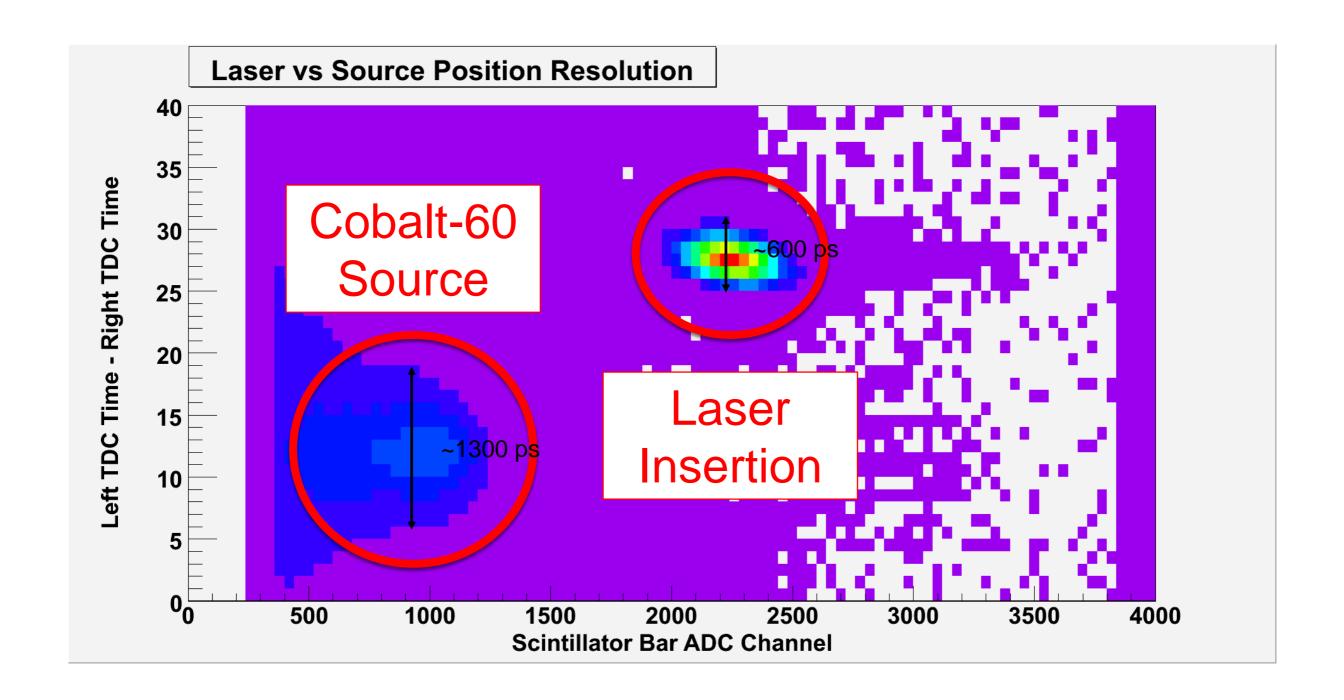


- 1. Laser driver set to "Pulsing" mode
- 2. Wait 45 min 1 hr for full temperature stability
- 3. Connect laser box output to fiber distribution System
- 4. Connect fiber output bank to scintillator input fibers
- 5. Set variable attenuator to desired setting
- 6. Set signal generator to desired frequency
- 7. Turn signal generator to "ON" setting



Scintillator Position Resolution



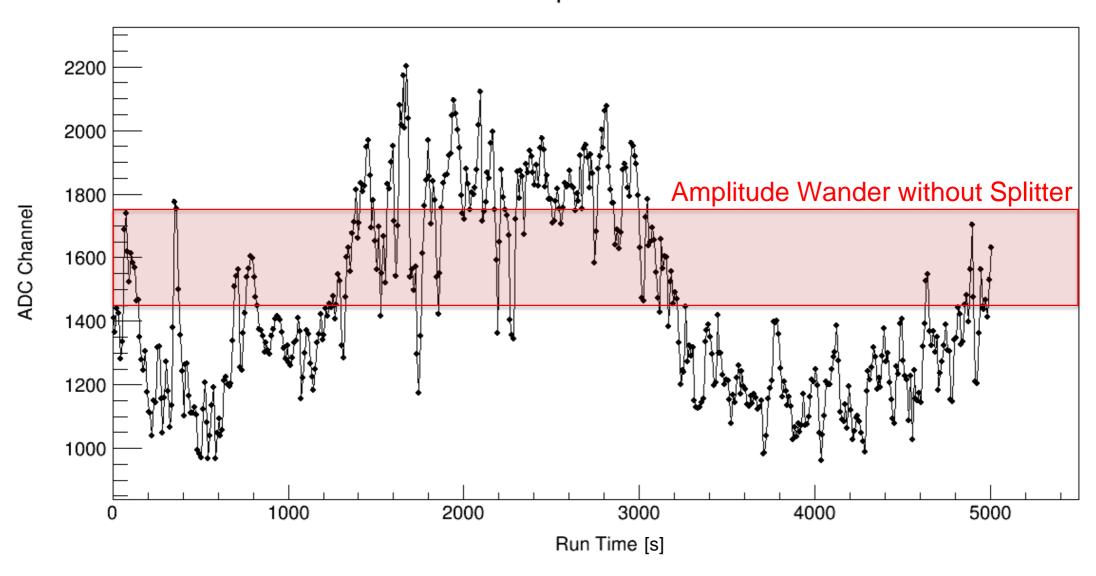




Laser Amplitude Wandering



Scintillator Amplitude Time Wander

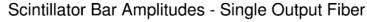


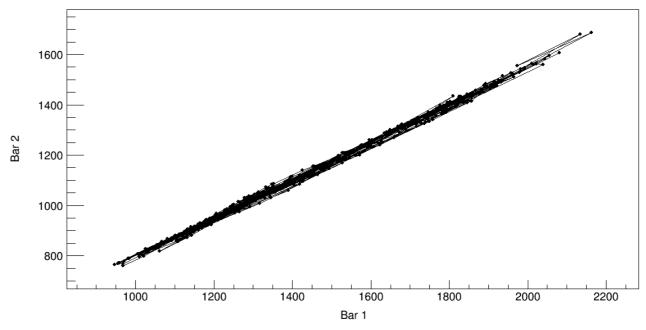


Splitter Amplitude Decorrelation

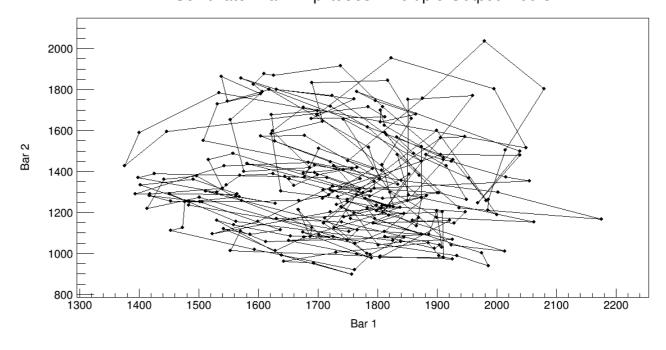


- 400x Splitter does not split pulse consistently
- Laser wandering decorrelates between output fibers
- System is not suitable for gainmatching





Scintillator Bar Amplitudes - Multiple Output Fibers

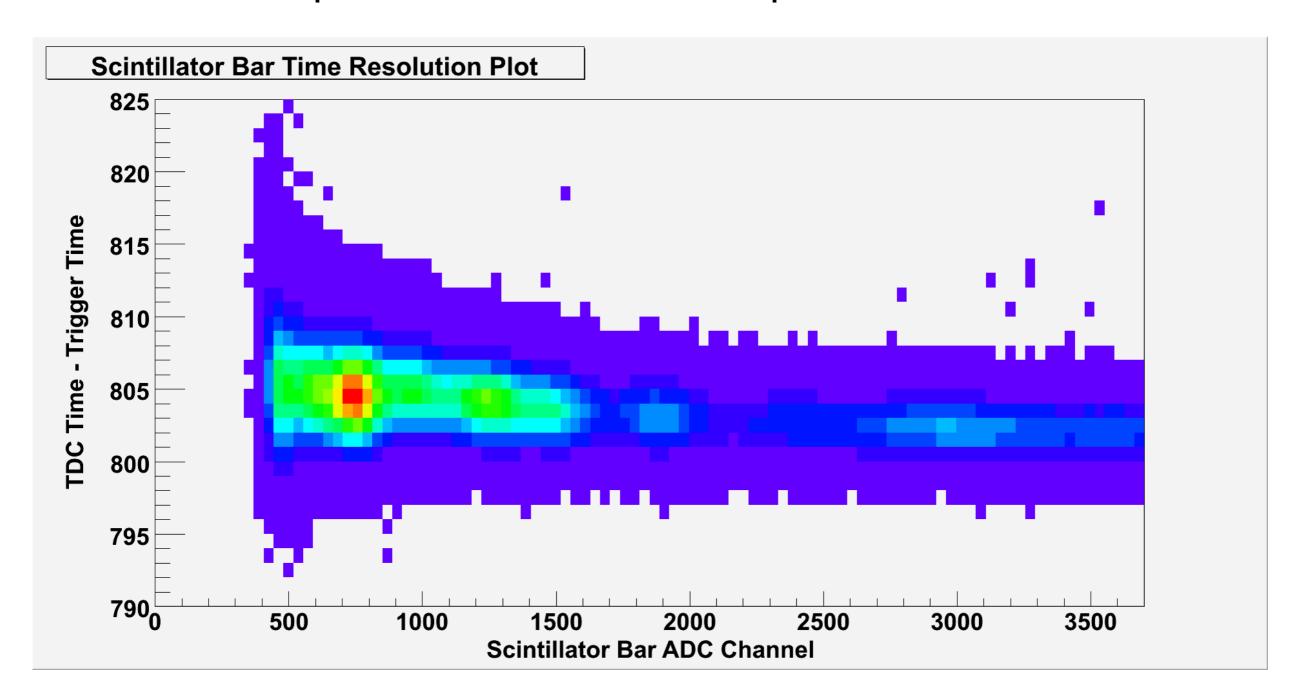




Amplitude Time Resolution



System can be used to make amplitudedependent time-resolution plots

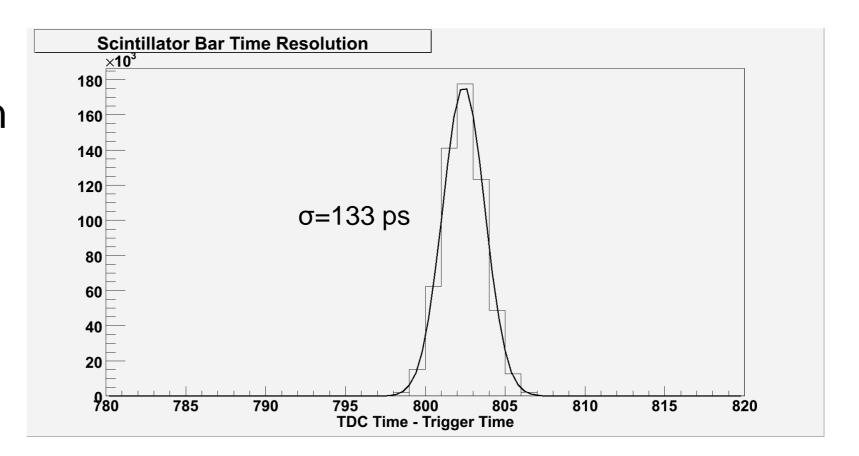




Detector Time Resolution



- Applying amplitude cuts, time resolution corresponds to scintillator bar resolution
- No uncertainty introduced from system itself







Summary



- Simple system for providing well-timed signal to large number of detectors
- Flexible adjustment of pulse frequency and intensity
- User-friendly to operate
- Amplitude wandering effects to resolve
- Suitable for providing timing calibration

