



# Developments on Wire Chambers and Beam Profile Monitoring

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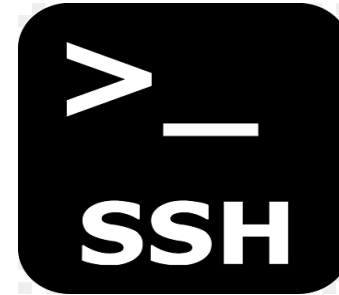
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# Setup

# Accessing Fermilab's Computers



Kerberos



Secure Shell

- Kerberos
  - Authentication protocol to securely access Fermilab's devices/programs from my computer
- Secure Shell (SSH)
  - Cryptographic network protocol to securely connect me to a server as a client

# Installing Requisite Programs

First, the proper programs needed to be installed:

- Ubuntu
  - Used to run commands in-terminal
  - Connects to Fermilab devices from my computer
  - Accesses any files/programs
- Jupyter Notebook
  - Coding for Beam Profile Monitor
  - Mainly in Python
- ROOT
  - Package for modeling High-Level Particle Physics in C++
  - Mainly used through terminal



Ubuntu



Jupyter Notebook



ROOT

# Wire Chambers

# Fermilab Test Beam Facility (FTBF)

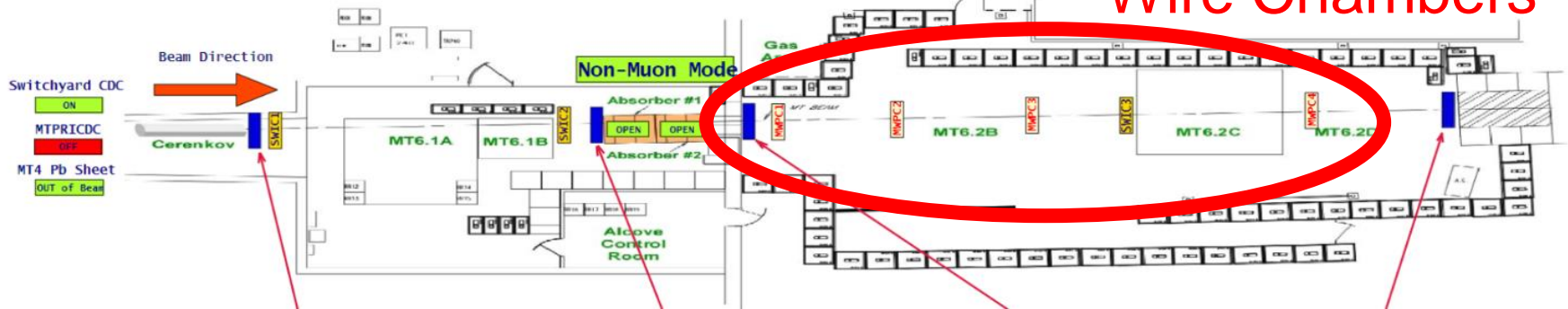
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## FTBF Status

Mtest Energy: 120 GeV

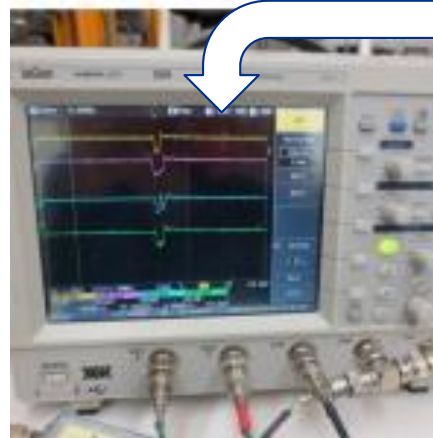
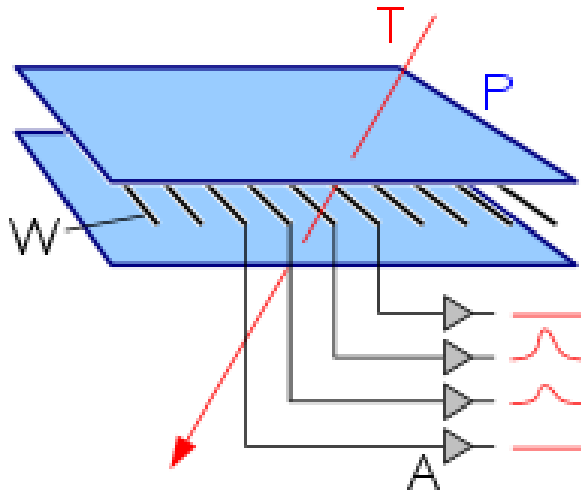
MTest Mode: Proton

Wire Chambers



- Wire Chambers:
  - 4 total
  - They keep track of beam particles' positions (to make sure they hit the target)

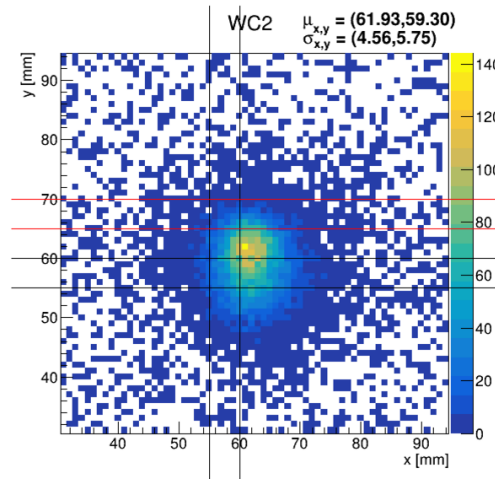
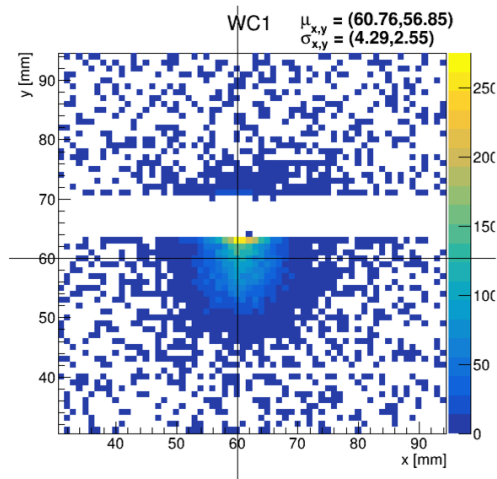
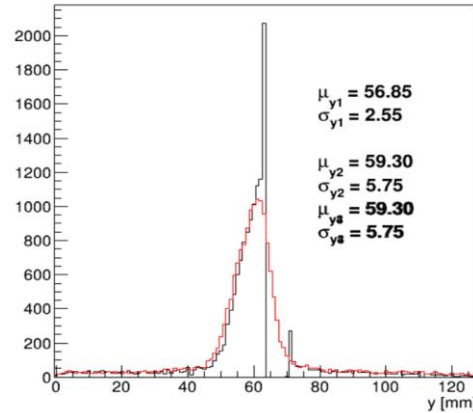
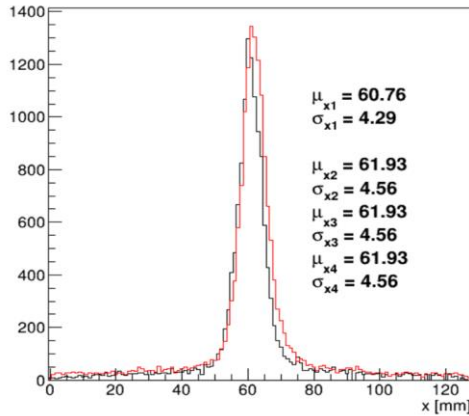
# Wire Chamber Composition



Measures voltage and position to keep track of particles in the beam

- Spacing between the wires (1 mm)
- Number of wires in each wire plane (128)
- Material of the wire chamber windows and planes (aluminum foil) and wires (gold-plated tungsten)
- Thickness of the wire chamber windows and planes (0.0005") and sense wires (0.0004")
- Distance between the cathode plane and sense wire (0.125")
- Composition of the gas in the wire chamber (argon and isobutane)

# Wire Chamber Position-Tracking System



- Distribution is generally Gaussian in nature
- Resolution is approximately 1 square mm

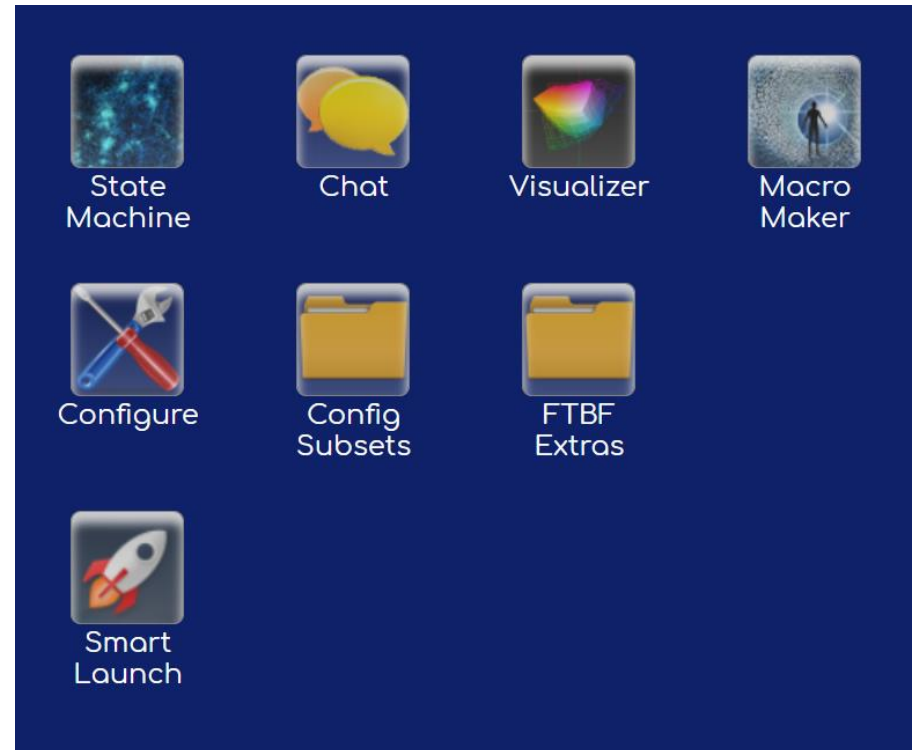


# Off-The-Shelf (OTS) Data Acquisition System

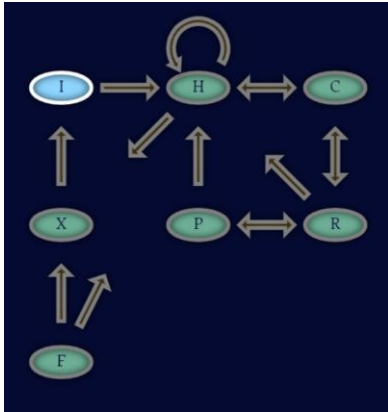


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Service: none  
Network: local  
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Interactions with Wire Chambers can be tracked and modeled using OTS



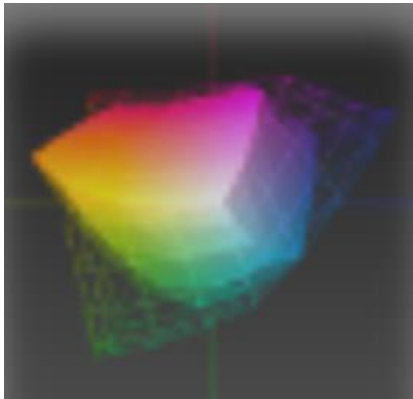
# Inner Workings of OTSDAQ



State Machine



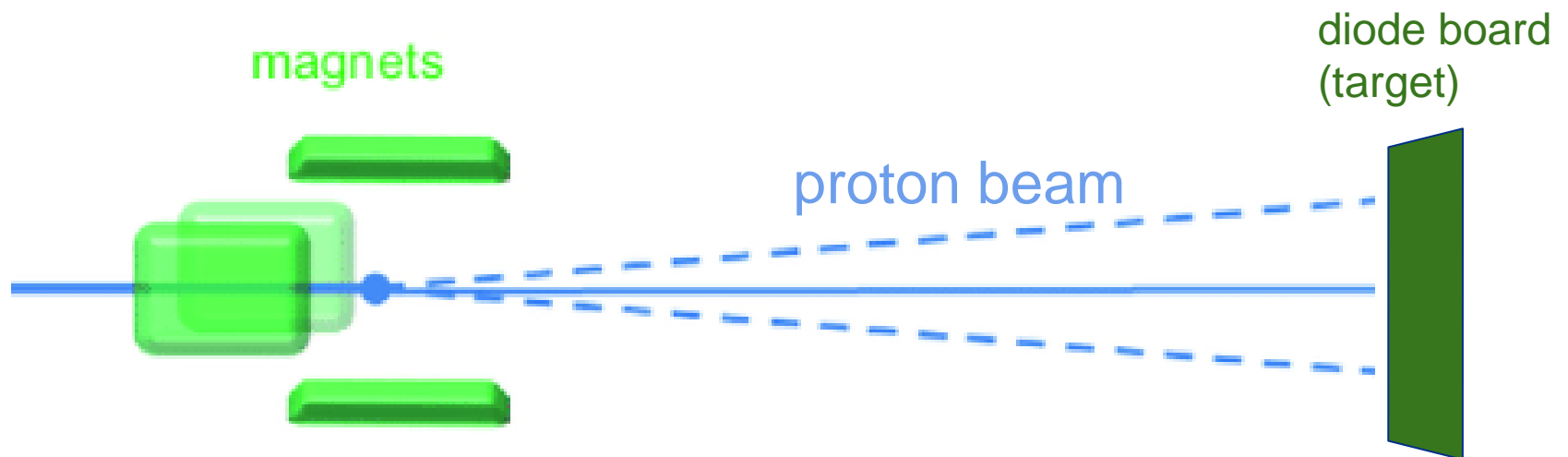
Data Configuration Tree



Visualization Software

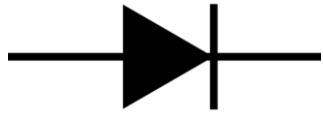
# Beam Profile Monitors

# Proton Beam

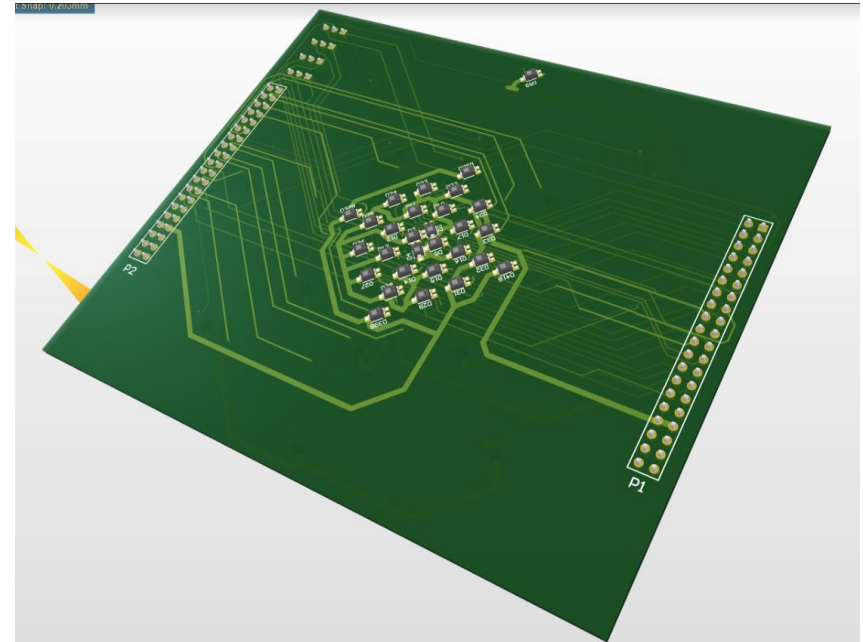
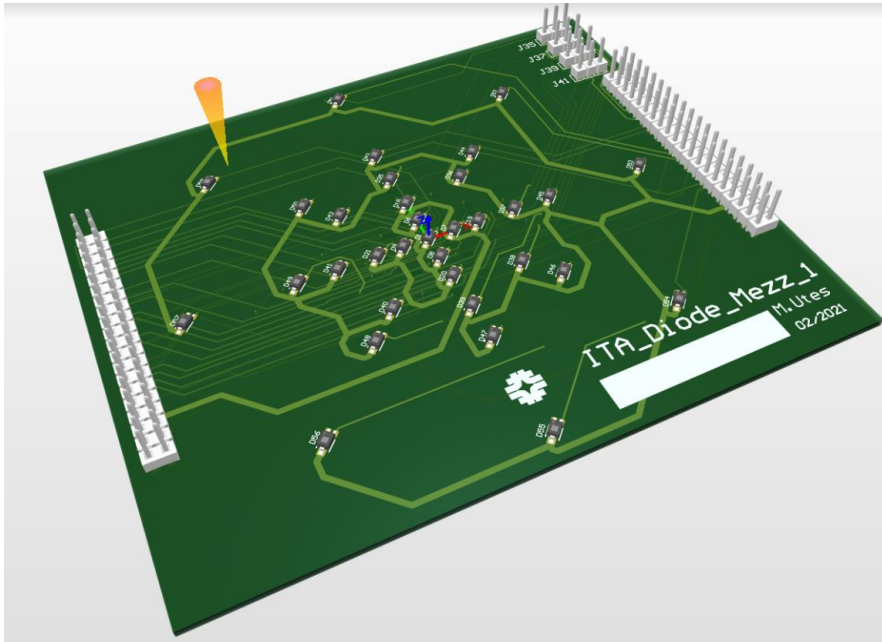


- It's very important that a proton beam is exact (hits target)
- Magnets are used to focus proton beam
- However, external effects distort shape of proton beam
- This may affect the distribution of protons in a way we don't want it to

# Diode Configuration

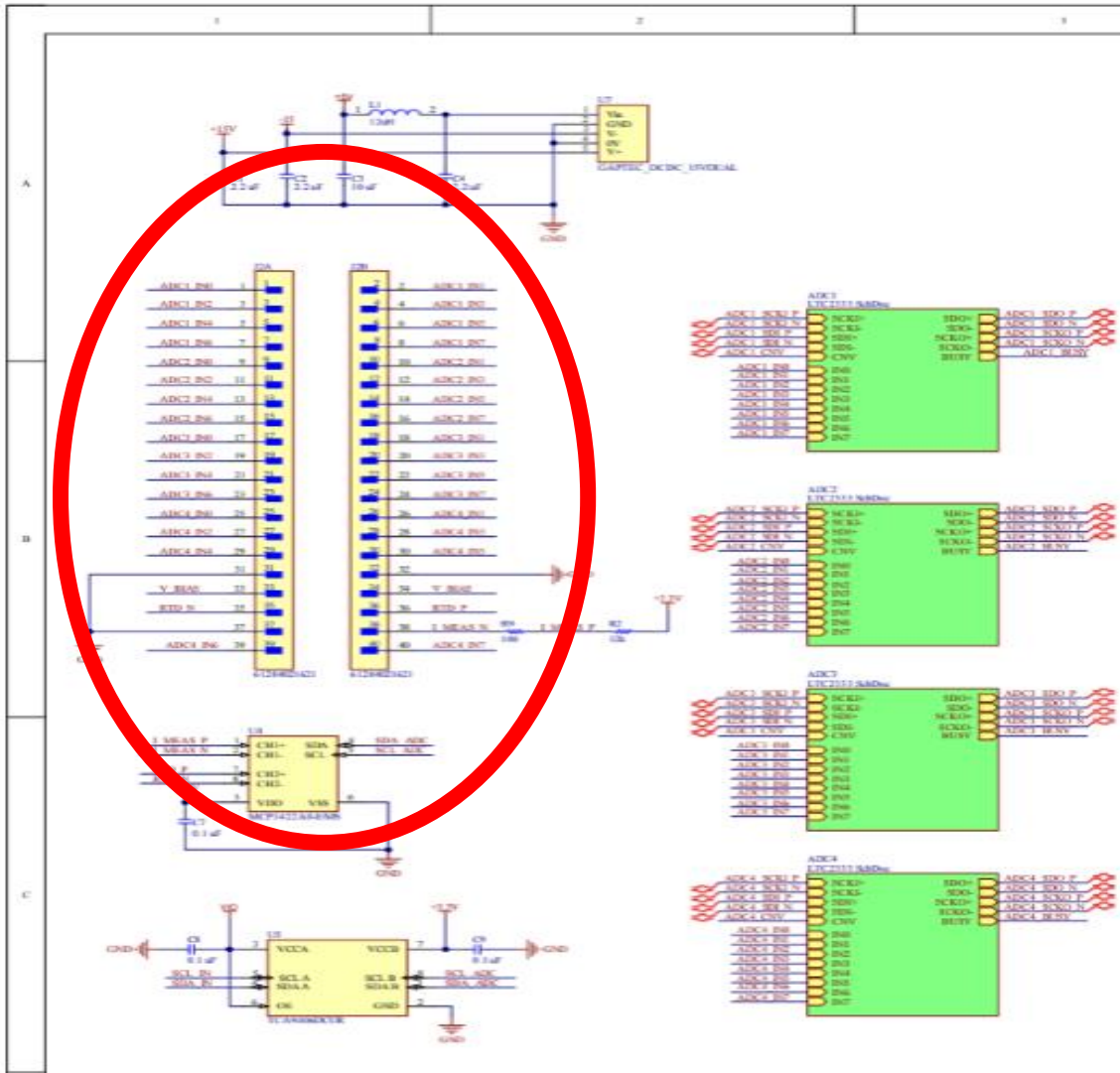


Diodes (normally) let current flow in only one direction



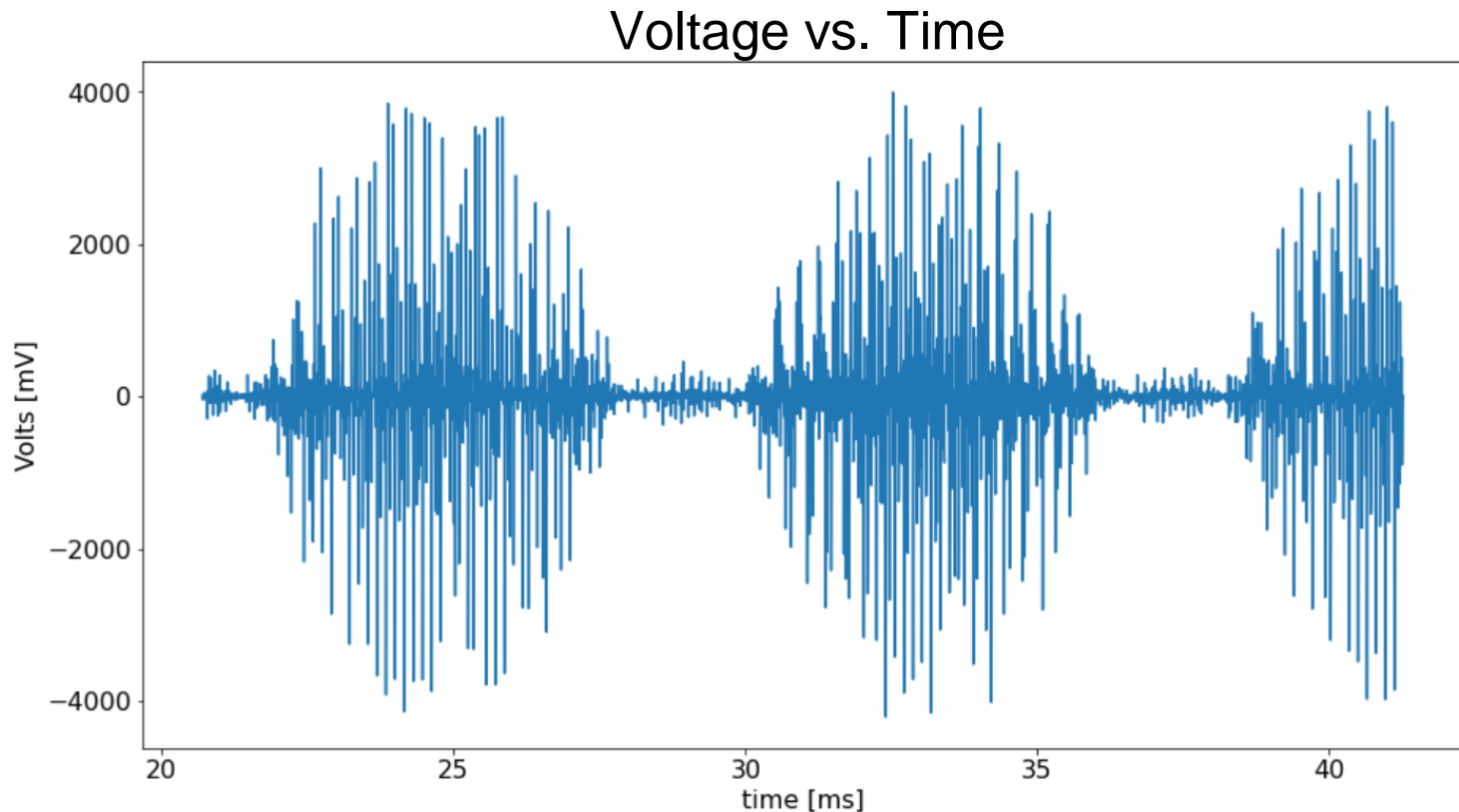
- When proton beam hits silicon diode chips, their atomic lattice is damaged
  - Damages diode, lets current through
  - Results in voltage, which signals presence of protons

# Chip-Channel Correspondence



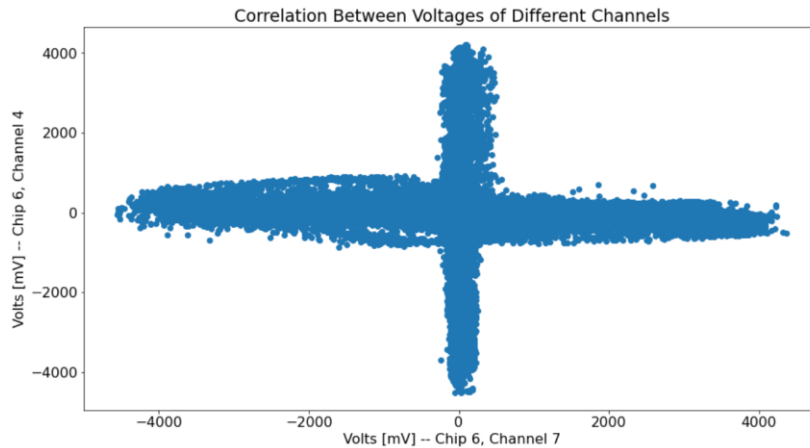
- Each of the 64 Diodes corresponds to a “chip” and “channel”
- This is how diodes are kept track of in the code

# Noise in the Data

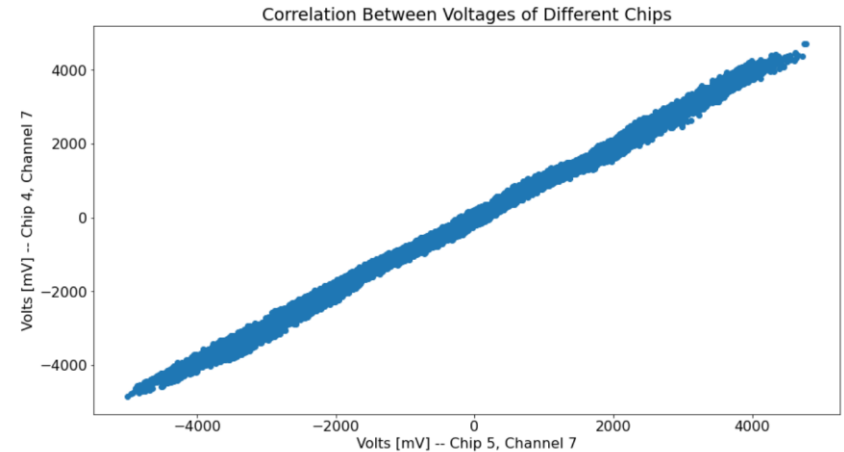


- Noise originates from external sources but hides the true signal
- Suspected to be from nearby booster that produces RF energy since it receives AC power from same source as the test beam

# Characteristics of the Diodes



Diodes in different channels but same chip - not correlated



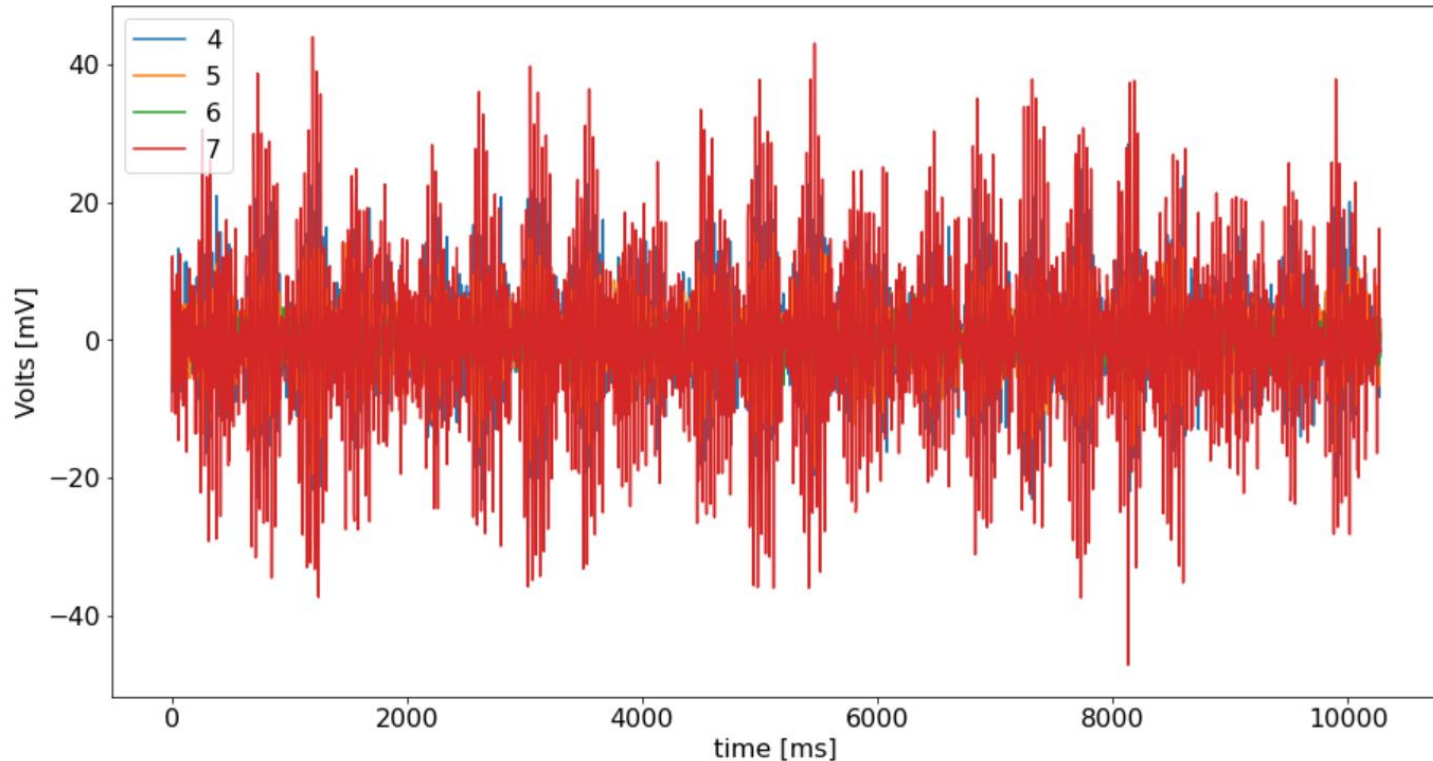
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Understanding characteristics of these diodes helps us with cancelling out noise!



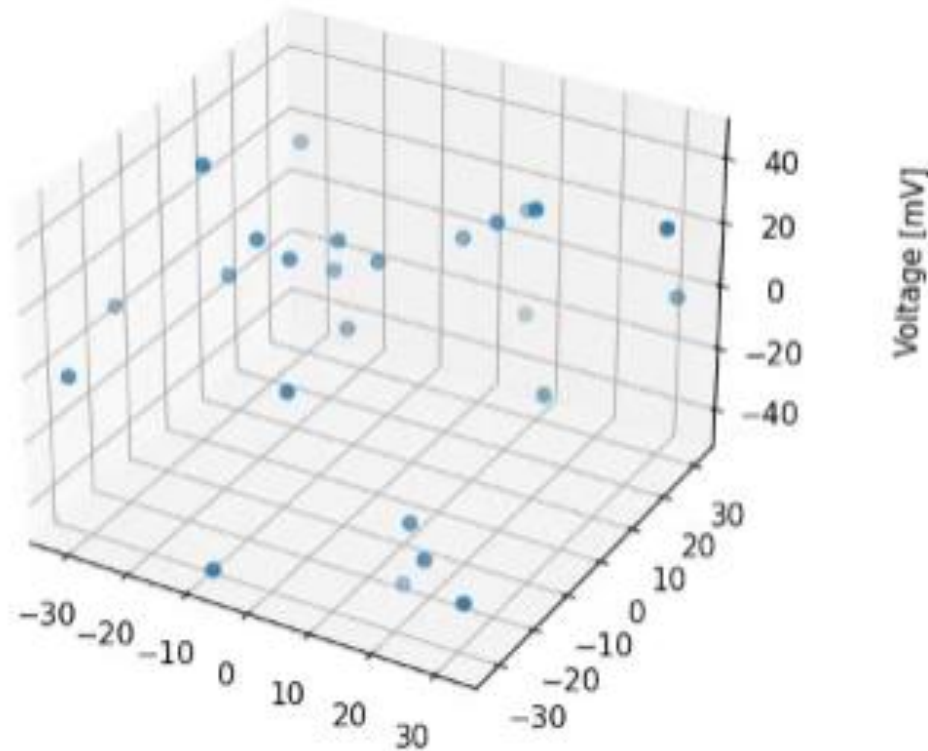
# Filtering Out Noise

Voltage vs. Time



- Once noise is filtered out, original data is recovered
- The real signal was on the order of dozens of millivolts!

# Voltage vs Time (Graphs)



After cancelling out noise, we can now see how the distribution of the proton beam evolves over time!

# Takeaways



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# Questions?