

Open questions in x-ray measurement results

Marco Rossini

Institute for Particle Physics, ETH Zürich

26. March 2012

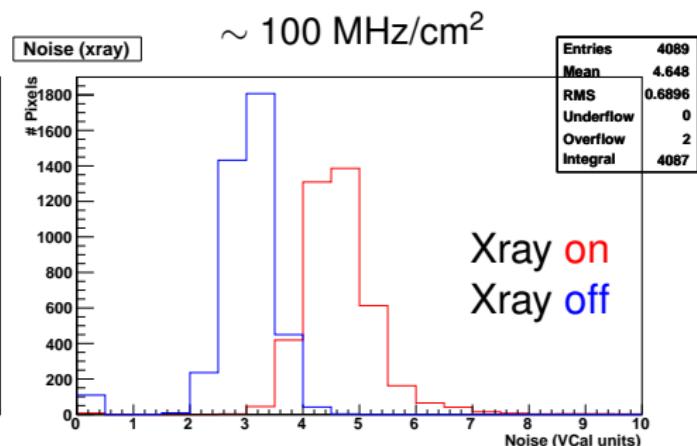
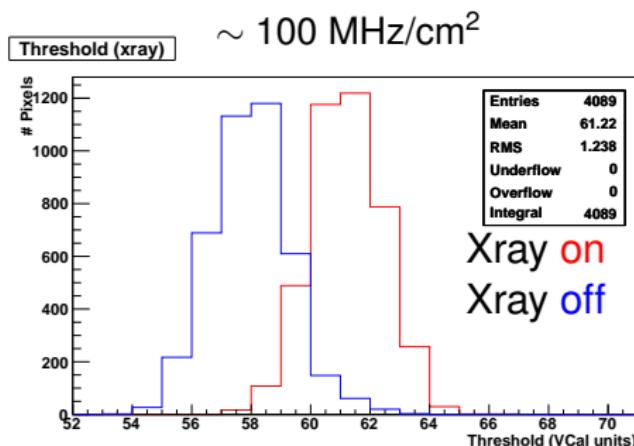
Overview

- ▶ Shift of threshold when doing s-curves under x-ray radiation
- ▶ Shift in pulse height when under x-ray radiation
- ▶ Strange behaviour with WBC → 0

Threshold shift

Measurement and observations:

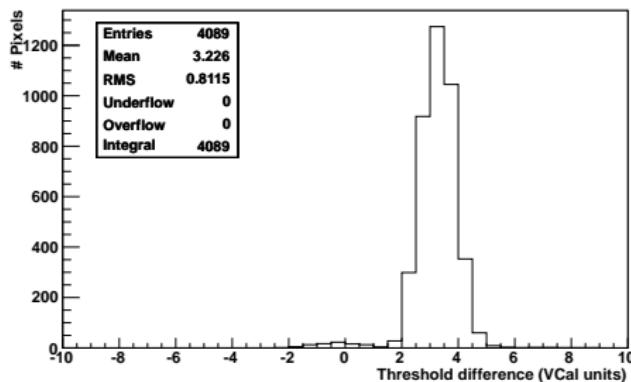
- ▶ S-curve test run without x-rays (just a scan varying VCal) [blue] compared to an s-curve test with x-rays on [red]
- ▶ Noise increases as one would expect
- ▶ Threshold seems to go up (or VCal weaker)



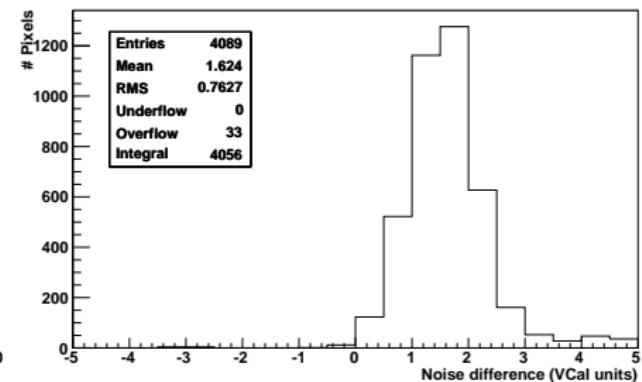
Threshold shift

Difference in threshold and noise for each pixel:

Threshold offset



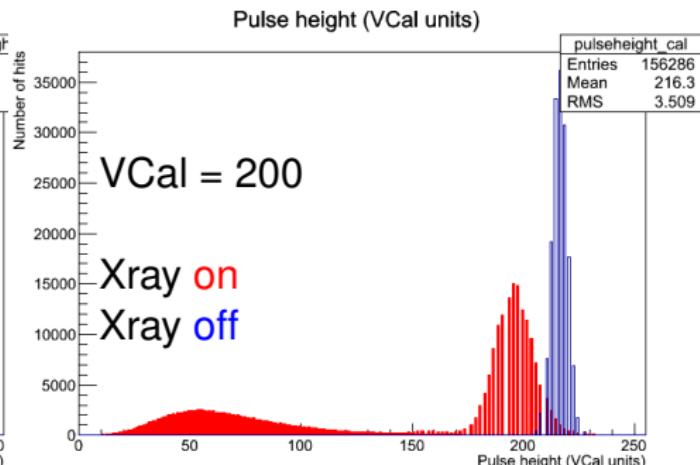
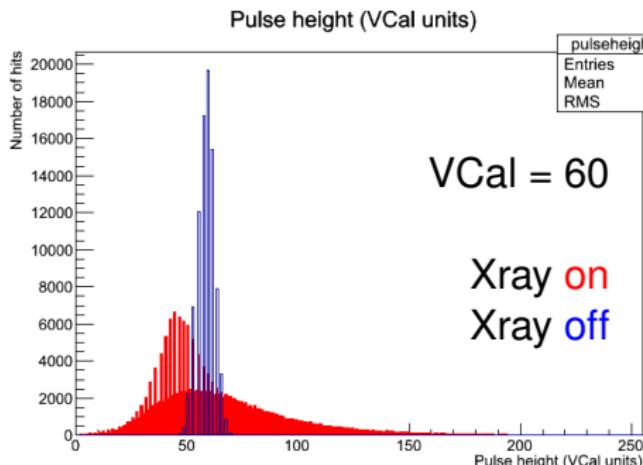
Sigma offset



Pulse height shift

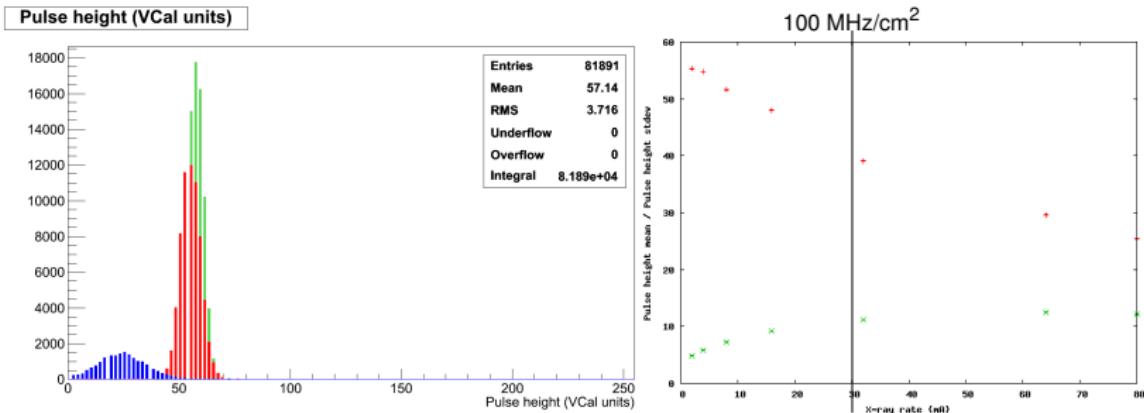
Measurement:

- ▶ High rate pixel map with additional calibrate signal into one pixel
- ▶ With [red] and without x-rays [blue]
- ▶ Pulse height for all pixels is stored in a histogram
- ▶ Pulse height (gain) calibration used to convert to VCal units



Pulse height shift

Rate dependence (Xray: green = off, red = 2 mA, blue = 80 mA):

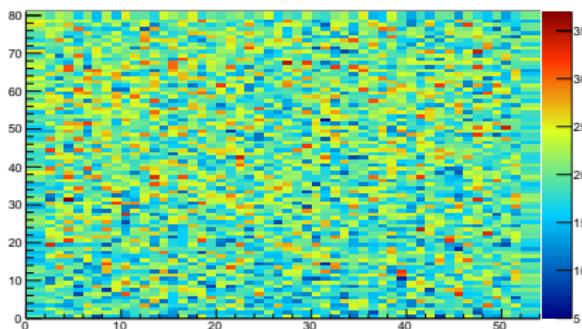


Strange WBC behaviour

Setting WBC to insensible values produces results nonetheless.

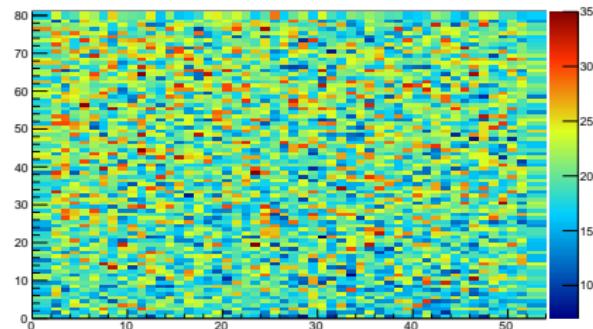
- ▶ Even $\text{WBC} = 0$ works
- ▶ Rate does not depend on WBC (at low rate)
- ▶ Pixel decoding errors occur below $\text{WBC} = 20$ and their rate increases toward $\text{WBC} = 0$

Pixel hit map module (double edge)



$\text{WBC} = 1$

Pixel hit map module (double edge)



$\text{WBC} = 100$

Strange WBC behaviour

