

- ToF-CIMS, IMS-TOF, and FIGAERO
- DAQ5
- Event Trigger Mode
- ePToF

*Friday - "CIMS and ToF-AMS DAQ updates"*  
*Sunday - "Overview: Event Trigger and ePTOF"*

- **Over 40 instruments**
  - US, Europe, Asia
  - Lab, ground sites, aircraft, RVs
- **Collaborative user community – similar to AMS.** 60 attendees at this year's users meeting. Next meeting will be in Finland in Spring 2016.
- **"Tofware" Advanced analysis software** – paradigm mimics Squirrel. Led by H. Stark and M. Cubison.
- **Diverse applications**
  - **Ion chemistry** -> Different classes of compounds
  - **FIGAERO Inlet** -> Aerosol and gas-phase sampling



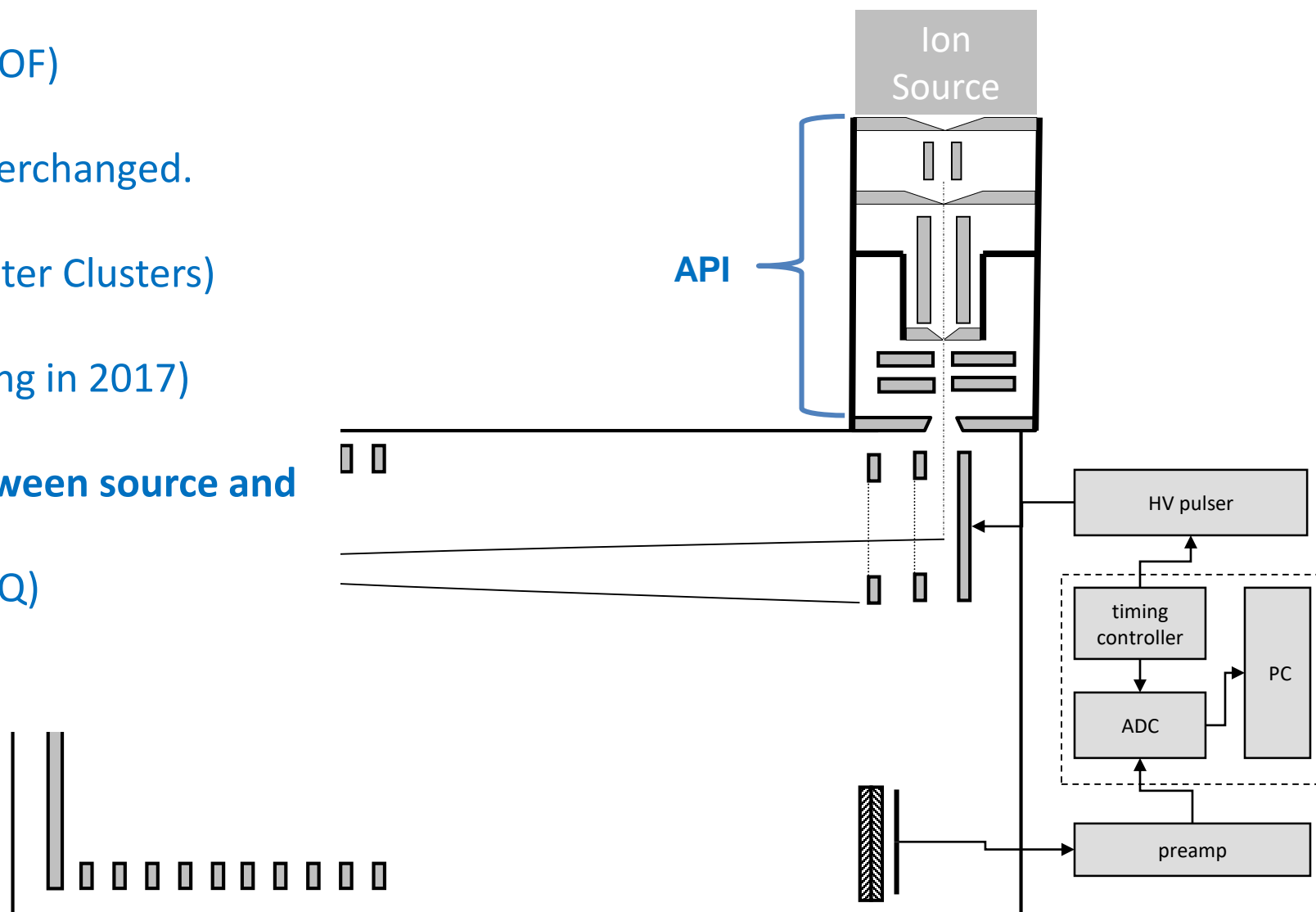
Same TOF as AMS (CTOF, HTOF, or LTOF)

High pressure ion sources. Easily interchanged.

- “APi” natural ions
- Po or x-ray IMR (Acetate, I-, Water Clusters)
- Nitrate (aka, CI-APi)
- EESI (As presented by PSI, coming in 2017)

3 stages of differential pumping between source and TOF

- 2 RF-only quadrupoles (SSQ, BSQ)
- Focusing lenses



# LTOF and HTOF Versions



LToF-CIMS

1.5 m

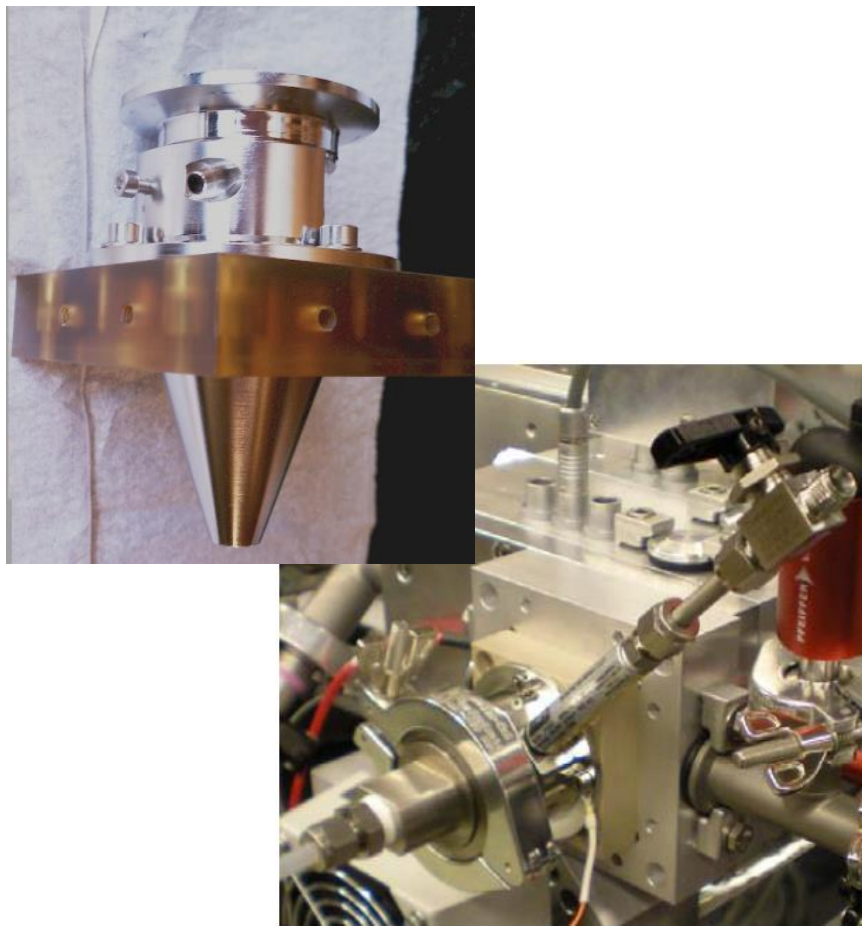


HToF-CIMS

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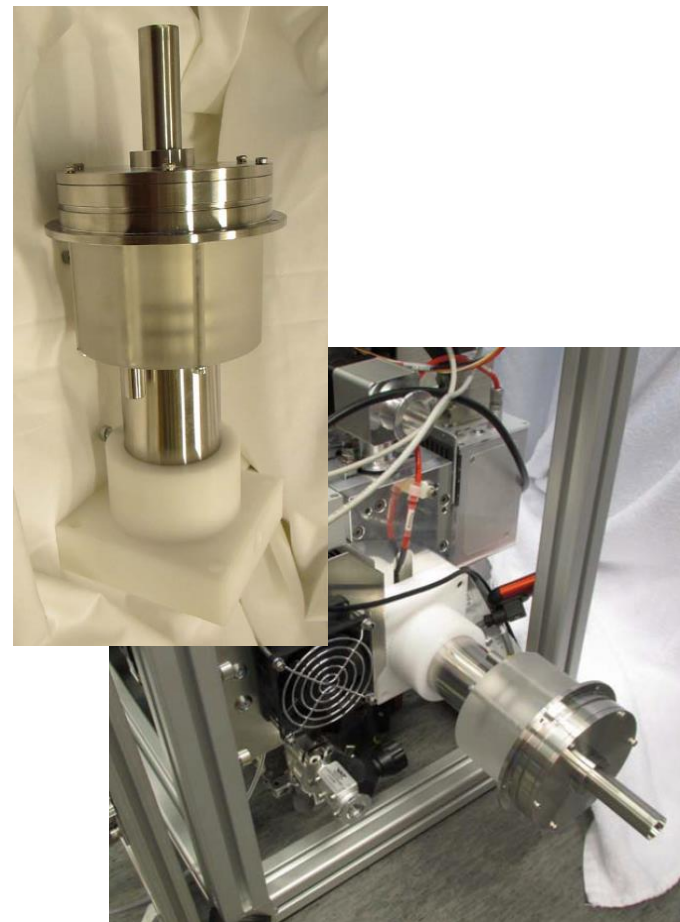
LToF-CIMS was released in 2016

- **Size:** Same footprint, ~2x height of HToF-CIMS
- **Sensitivity:** Approximately equal to HToF-CIMS
- **Resolving Power:** 2x the HToF-CIMS, approx. 10 000 and 5 000
  - New acquisition mode (currently being evaluated) that increases R of LToF-CIMS 20 to 30%



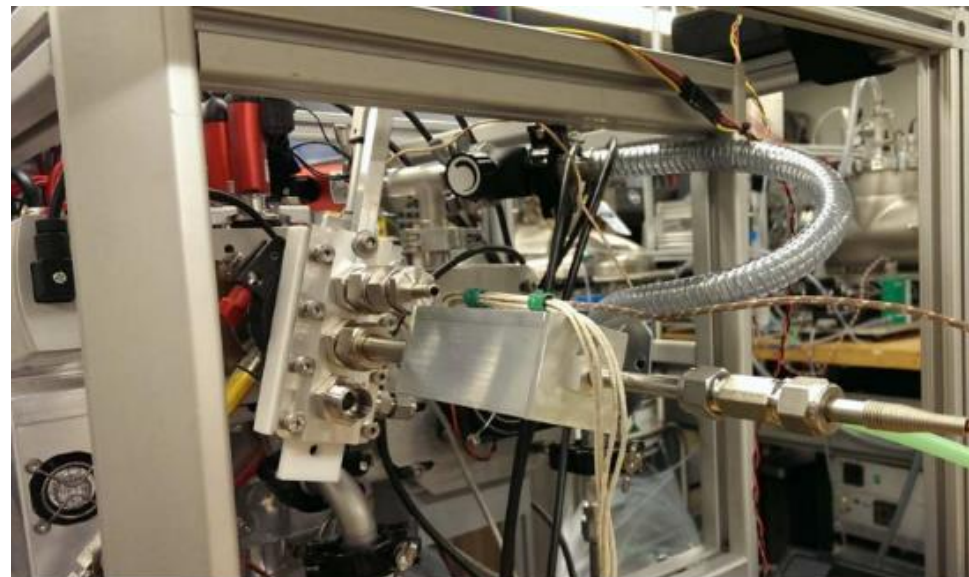
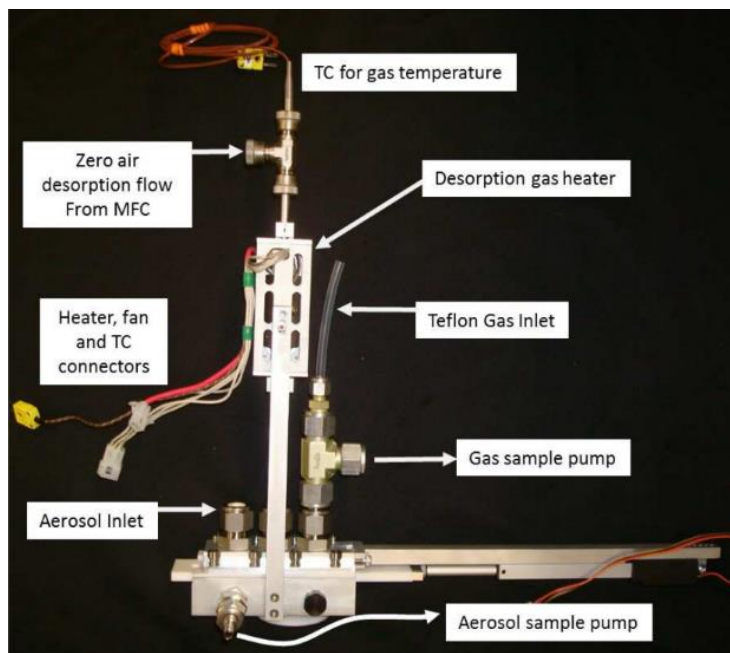
## IMR

- 50 - 500 mbar
- Flow Tube
- Po-210 or X-ray ionizer
- Acetate,  $\text{H}_3\text{O}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ , I-, ...
- Compatible with FIGAERO



## Nitrate

- 1000 mbar
- Drift Tube
- X-ray ionizer
- Nitrate
- Not compatible with FIGAERO



### Filter Inlet for Gas and Aerosol

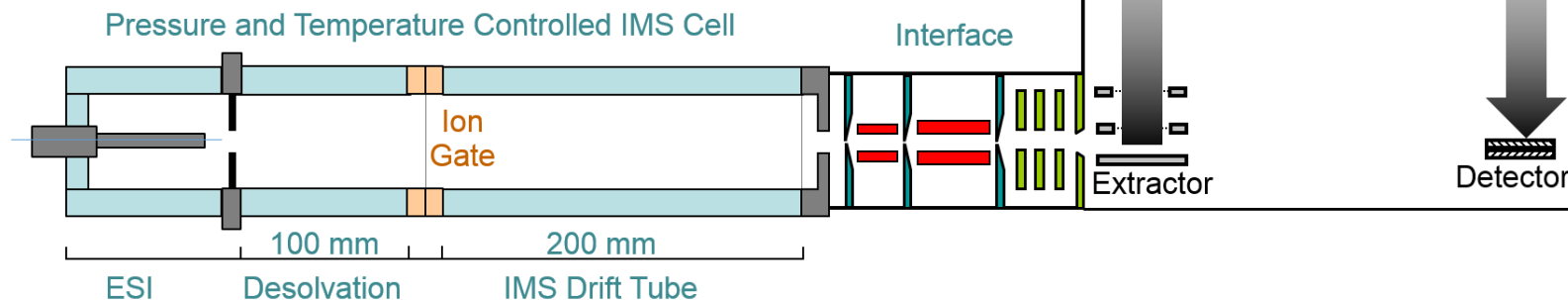
- Mounts to face of IMR, replaces standard gas-phase inlet
- Parallel gas and aerosol inlets oriented into IMR
- Alternate gas / aerosol sampling by movement of linear actuator
  - Step 1* Gas sampled into IMR, while aerosol collected on filters
  - Step 2* Collected aerosol thermally desorbed into IMR, with no sampling of gas phase
- Sampling cycle programmatically controlled by EyeON electronics and software

- Ion mobility spectrometer (IMS) coupled to an API-TOF
- IMS separates ions by collision cross section (CCS)
  - 2D separation increases peak capacity and improved identification
  - Resolve isomers – not possible with MS
- Optional collision induced dissociation (CID) between IMS and MS



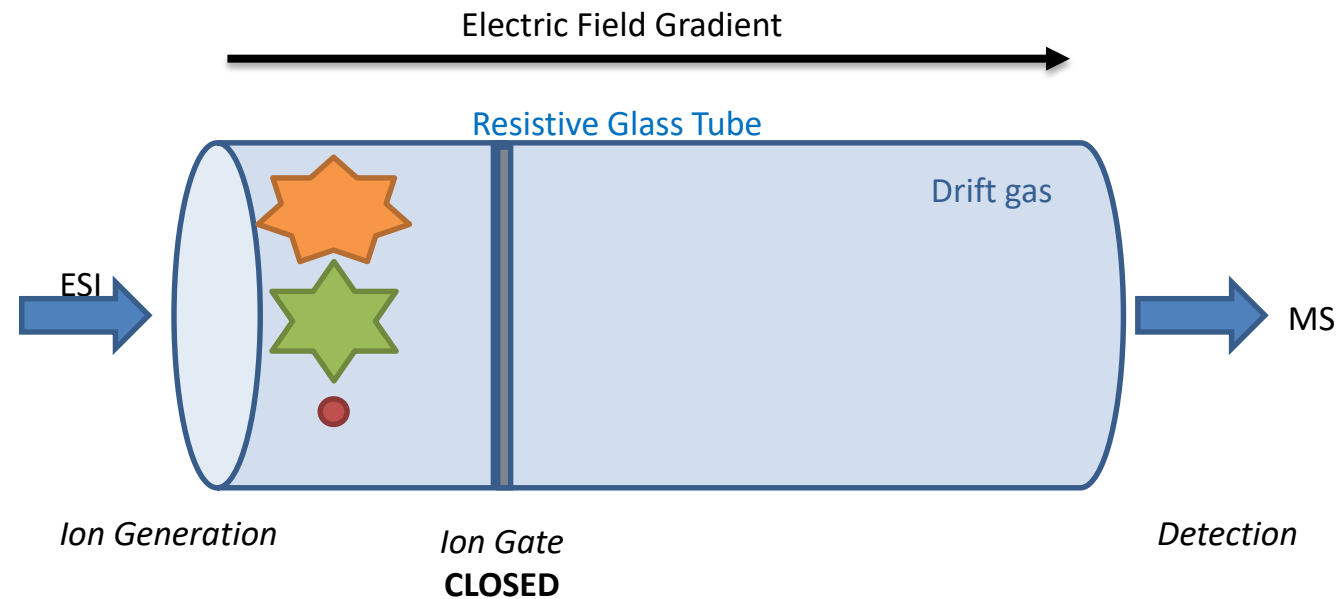
**Atmospheric-pressure, drift-tube IMS**  
Highest resolution of any commercial IMS

**Ionization**  
Nitrate CI  
ESI



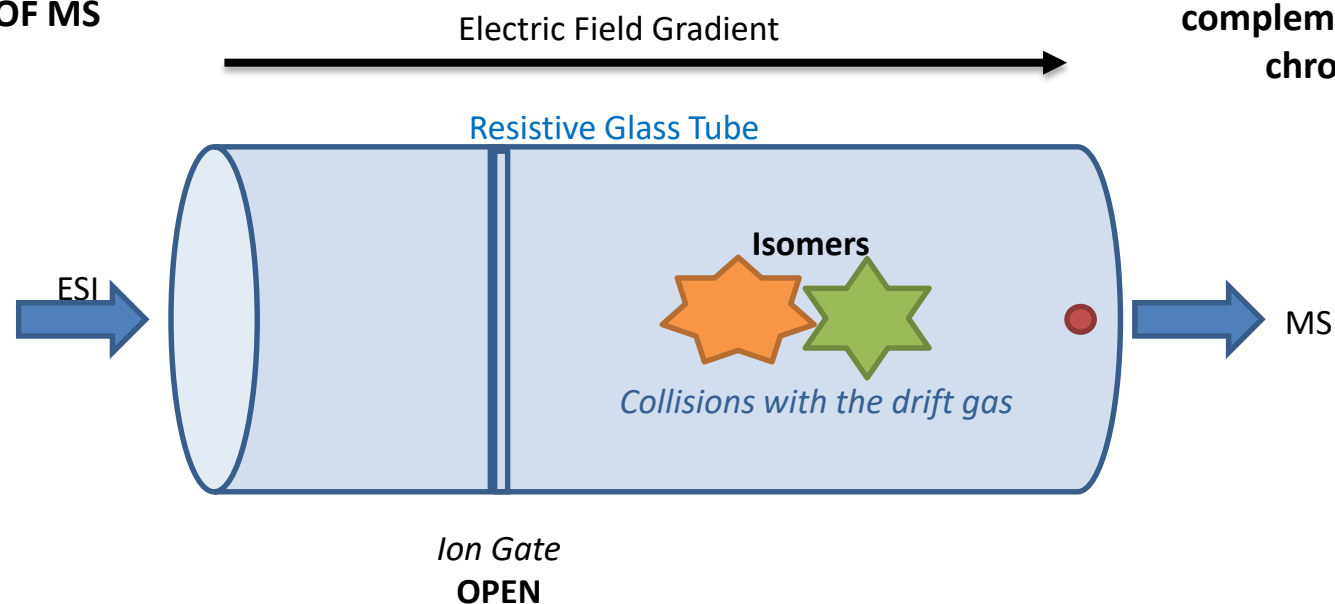
**HTOF or LTOF**

1. Ions are generated but stopped by the ion gate



Slide from M Groesl, Tofwerk

2. Ion gate is opened, ions are separated in the drift tube and detected by TOF MS



Collision cross section  $\sigma$  depends on size, shape, charge and mass  $\rightarrow$  complementary to MS and chromatography

$$\sigma = \frac{3}{16} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\mu kT} \right)^{1/2} \frac{QE}{v_d n}$$

$\sigma$  = integrated collision cross section

$\mu$  = reduced mass of the analyte and the drift gas

$k$  = Boltzmann's constant

$T$  = temperature

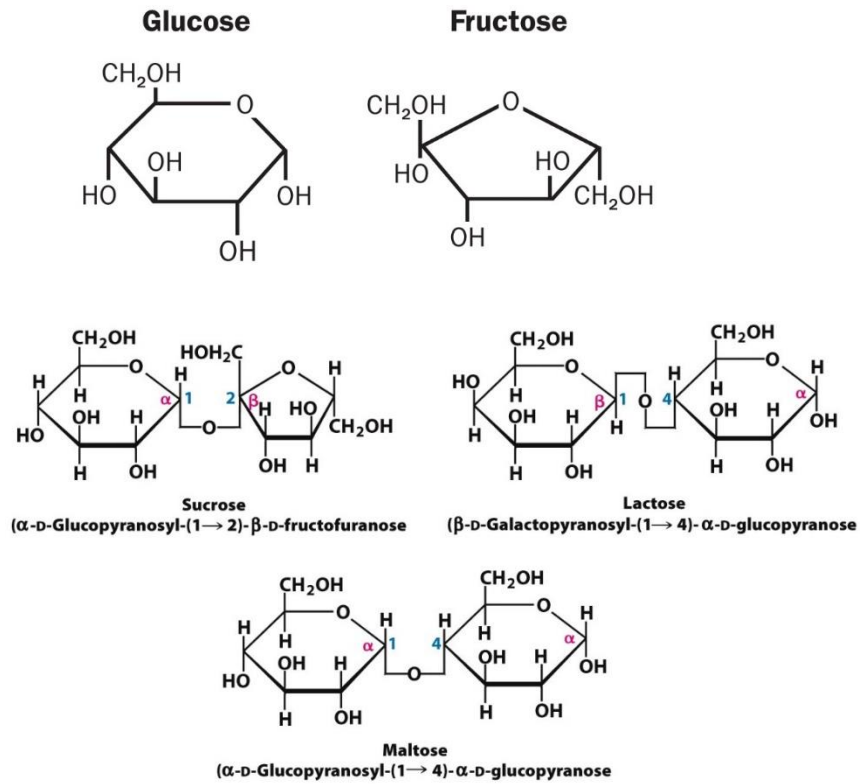
$Q$  = ion charge

$E$  = electric field

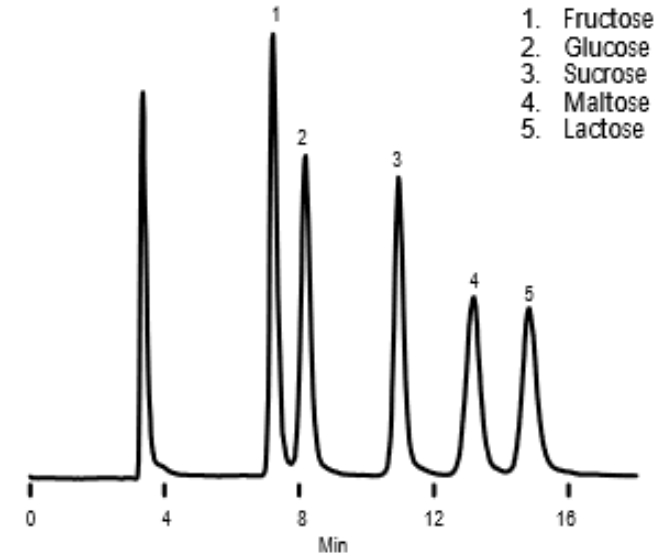
$v_d$  = drift velocity

$n$  = neutral gas number density

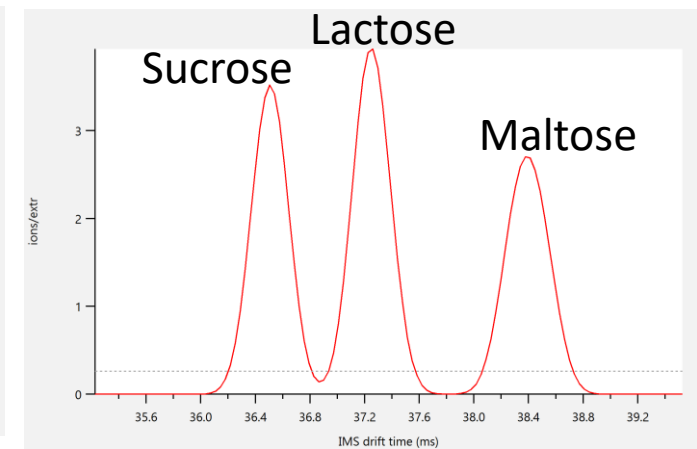
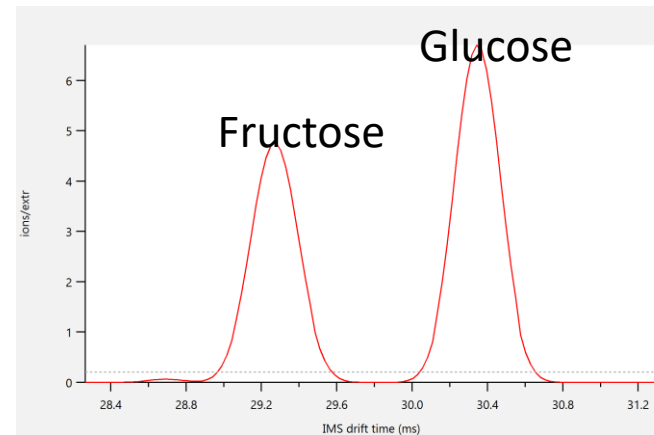
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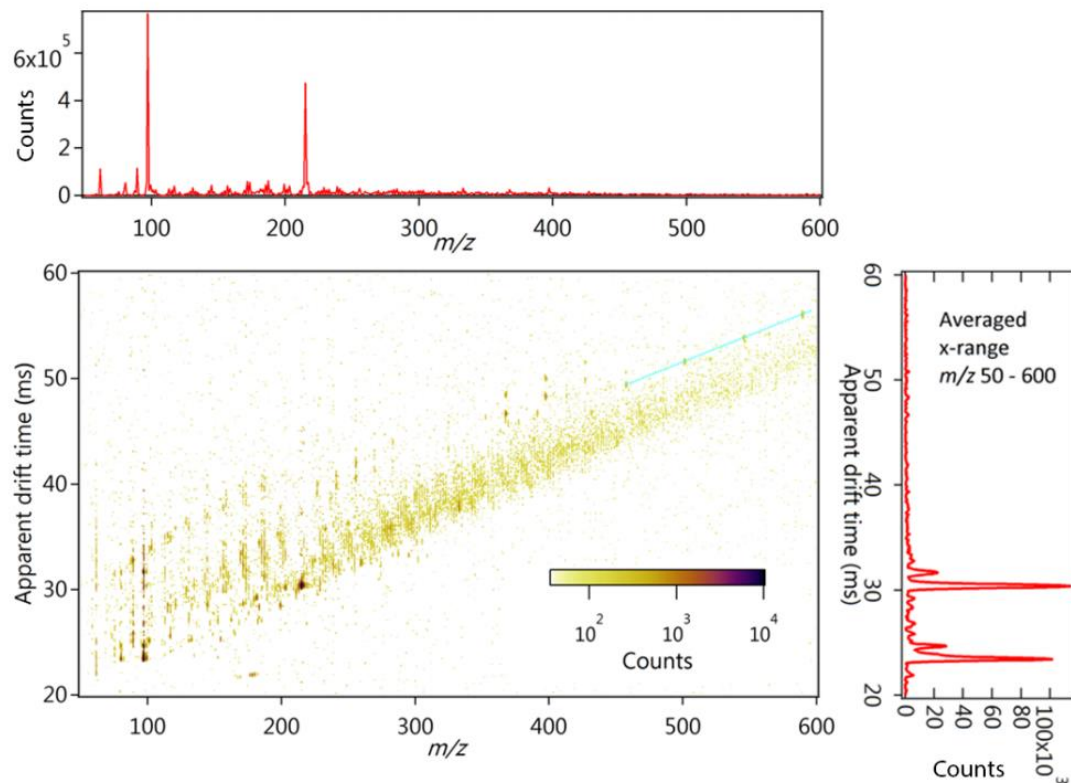


**LC:**  
**Run Time > 20 min**



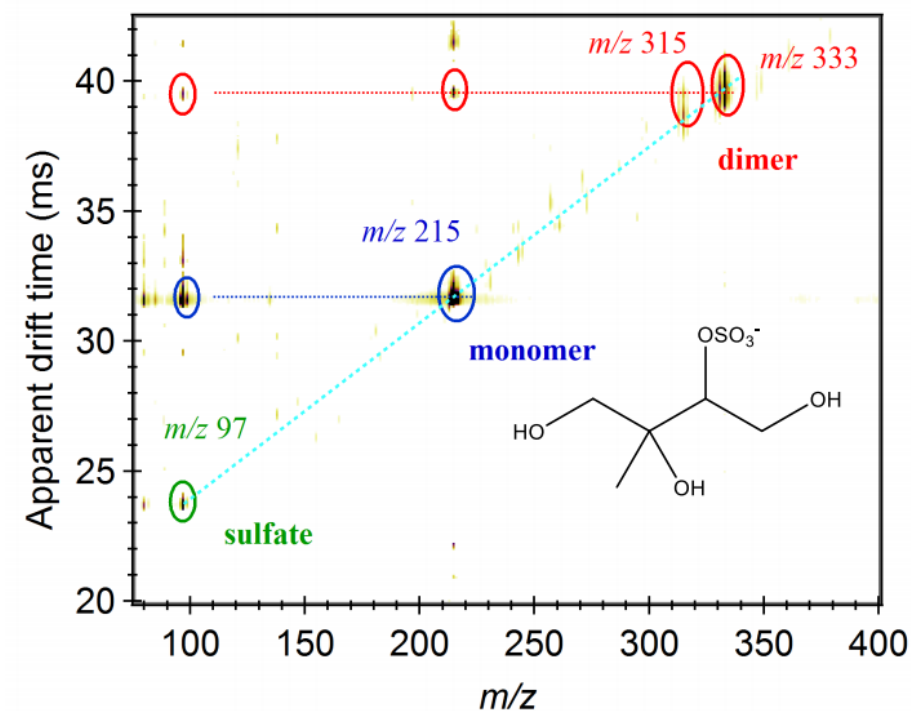
**IMS:**  
**1-min analysis!**





## Ion mobility spectrometry–mass spectrometry (IMS–MS) for on- and offline analysis of atmospheric gas and aerosol species

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### Application of IMS-MS in SOAS campaign

- Real-time gas-phase measurement with Nitrate CI
- Offline aerosol filter analysis using ESI. Resolution of WSOC isomers (not possible with MS alone)

Above: 2D IMS-MS of complex sample

Right: Oligomers align on 2D trend line; structure confirmed by CID



## Downloads

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## Current Version(s)

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- Downloads
  - Release Notes
- Manual
- FAQs
  - Updated with real questions!
- [jkimmel@aerodyne.com](mailto:jkimmel@aerodyne.com)
  - Always available for questions and suggestions

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- **4.1.0:** Most widely used version on AP240 systems. No change in past 1 year.
- **5.0.7.5:** Latest release of DAQ5. (Sept 2016)
  - For DAQ5, also check Tofdaq versions, too

DAQ5 controls  
the new variety  
of hardware  
configurations

User interface  
adjusts based on  
combination of  
components in  
use

	DAQ4	DAQ5	
AP240	X	X	
NI6024E “Slow board”	X	X	DAQ5 also compatible with other NI cards
TPS1	X	X	
MS, PToF, FMS	X	X	
Light Scattering	X	X	<i>In beta for DAQ5 – runs simultaneous to ET</i>
ADQ1600		X	
ePToF		X	
mini-AMS		X	
TPS2		X	
Event Trigger SP Mode		X	
EyeON Electronics Box		X	
Time Resolved Chopper Movement (MS)		X	<i>In beta for DAQ5</i>
Auto-tuning		X	<i>Can be used without AMS DAQ; DAQ5 has some hand-shaking</i>

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## Control of New Electronic Box (EyeON)

- Replaces slow board
- Pump control to be added soon

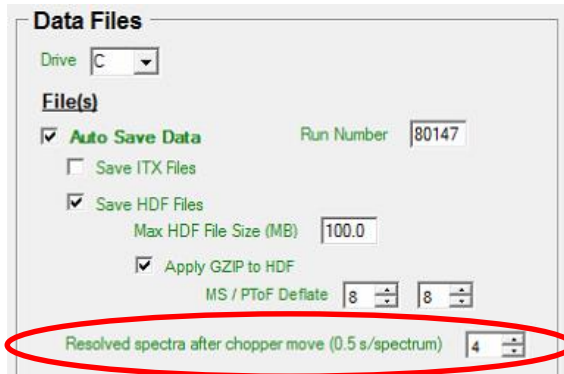
## Time Resolved MS Data after Chopper Movement

- New dataset added to HDF file structure. For each run, this dataset shows the first few seconds after chopper movement (for open and closed) with 0.5s resolution.

## Light Scattering

- Light scattering data will be acquired simultaneous to Event Trigger SP. LS and MS data will be aligned in post processing based on timestamps of LS signals and recorded events.

# Time-Resolved MS after Chopper Movement

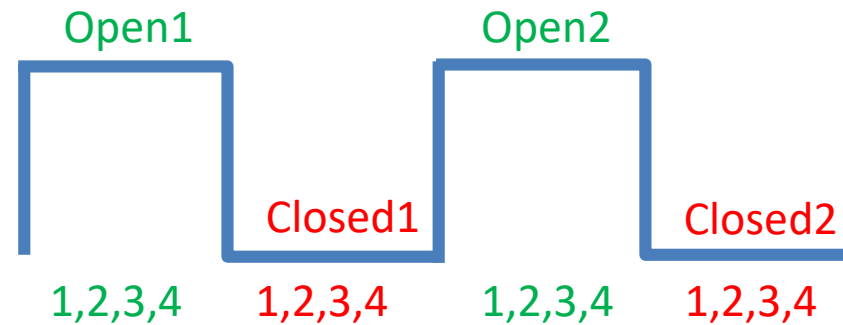


Optionally enabled on Avg and Save Tab

In addition to saved MSopen and MSClosed data, creates \_tr datasets, that resolve the first n spectra (0.5 s each) after the movement of the chopper

User defines number of resolved spectra, n, to save

Processing functionality included in Squirrel. All of this needs testing.



**Standard Dataset:**

$$MSopen = O1,1 + O1,2 + O1,3 + O1,4 + O2,1 + O2,2 + O2,3 + O2,4$$

**Time Resolved Dataset:**

$$MSopen\_tr1 = O1,1 + O1,1$$

$$Msopen\_tr2 = O1,2 + O1,2$$

$$Msopen\_tr3 = O1,3 + O1,3$$

$$Msopen\_tr4 = O1,4 + O1,4$$

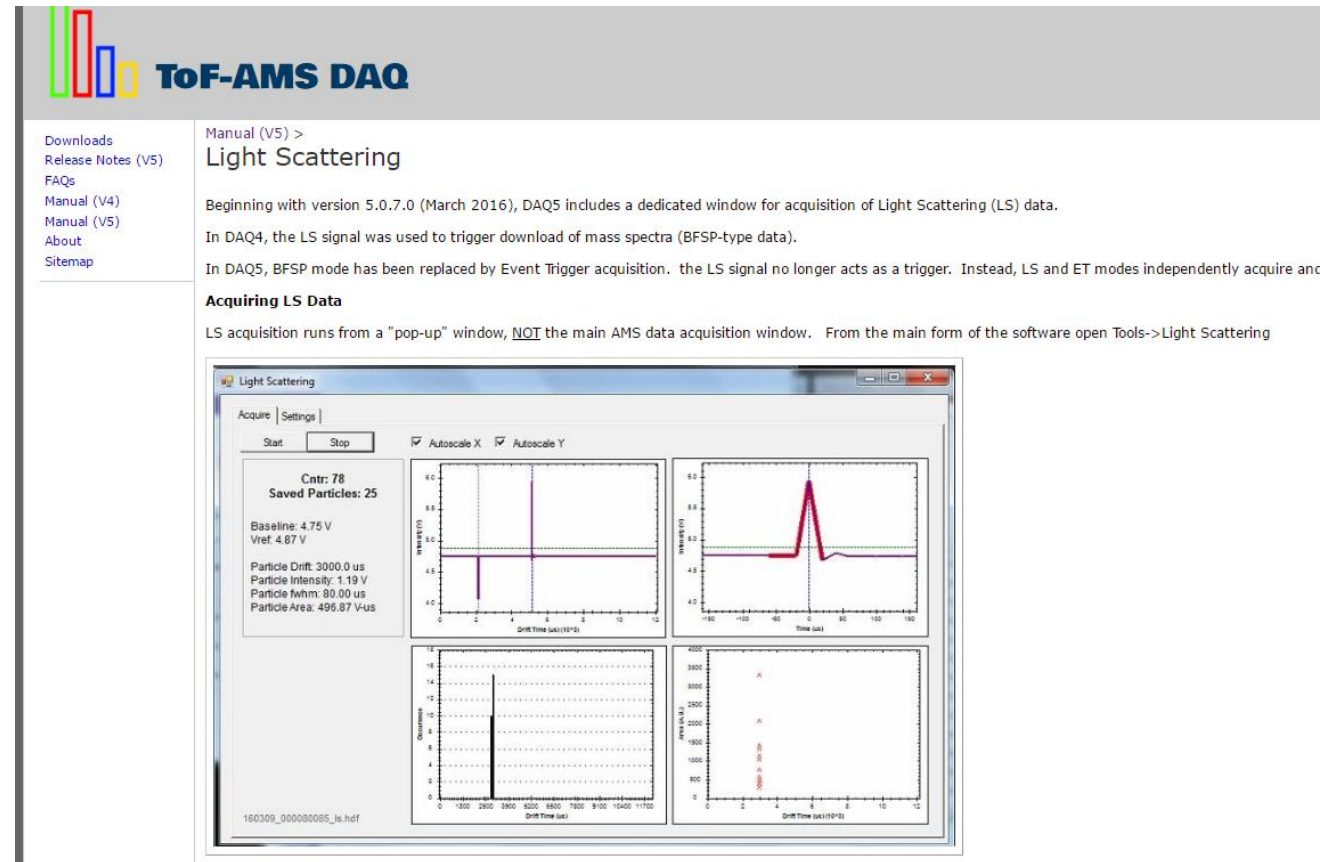
In DAQ4, LS was tightly coupled to BFSP mode.  
Used to trigger download of BFSP data.

In DAQ5, LS runs completely independent of  
AMS acquisition. Can run standalone or in  
parallel.

For single particle data, align LS pulses and  
Event Trigger events (particles) in post  
processing based on time stamps

This mode needs characterization and  
development!

See: <https://sites.google.com/site/tofamsdaq/manual-v5/light-scattering>



## Conceptually similar to BFSP

AMS data are filtered to save only those spectra that have user-defined features thought to represent particles.

Size determined by PToF time.

### Reduced file size.

- 10 to 30x less data per particle than BFSP.

### Extreme improvement in efficiency.

# Single Particle Modes of AMS Depend on a Low Abundance Assumption

Specifically, 1 particle / chopper rotation

Above this limit we cannot assume recorded signals are single particles  
“Saturation”

(This point can be reconsidered if we have LS)

Example of Saturation Limit:

For flow rate = 1.3 cc/s , 2% chopper duty cycle, 100 Hz

- > **50 particles/rotation** (For 2% -> 1 particle transmitted per rotation)
- > **5000 particles/sec** (100 rot/sec \* 50 part/rot)
- > **3800 particles/cc** (5000 particles/sec \* 1 sec/1.3 cc)

## PDE = Particle Detection Efficiency

**Best Case: Record every transmitted particle. PDE = Chopper Duty Cycle = 0.02**

**BFSP:**  $\text{PDE} = 0.04 * 0.02 = \mathbf{0.0008}$

Bottlenecked by download of large data for every chopper

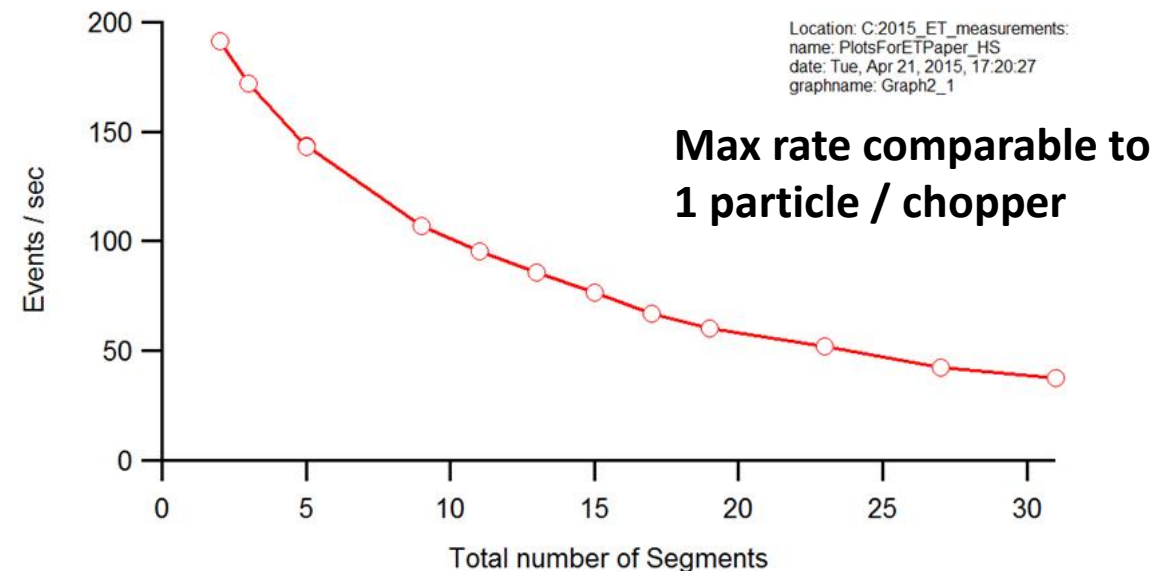
**LS:** **0.02** (very low concentration) to **0.0008** (High conc)

Only download chopper with particle

Download becomes bottleneck if lots of particles

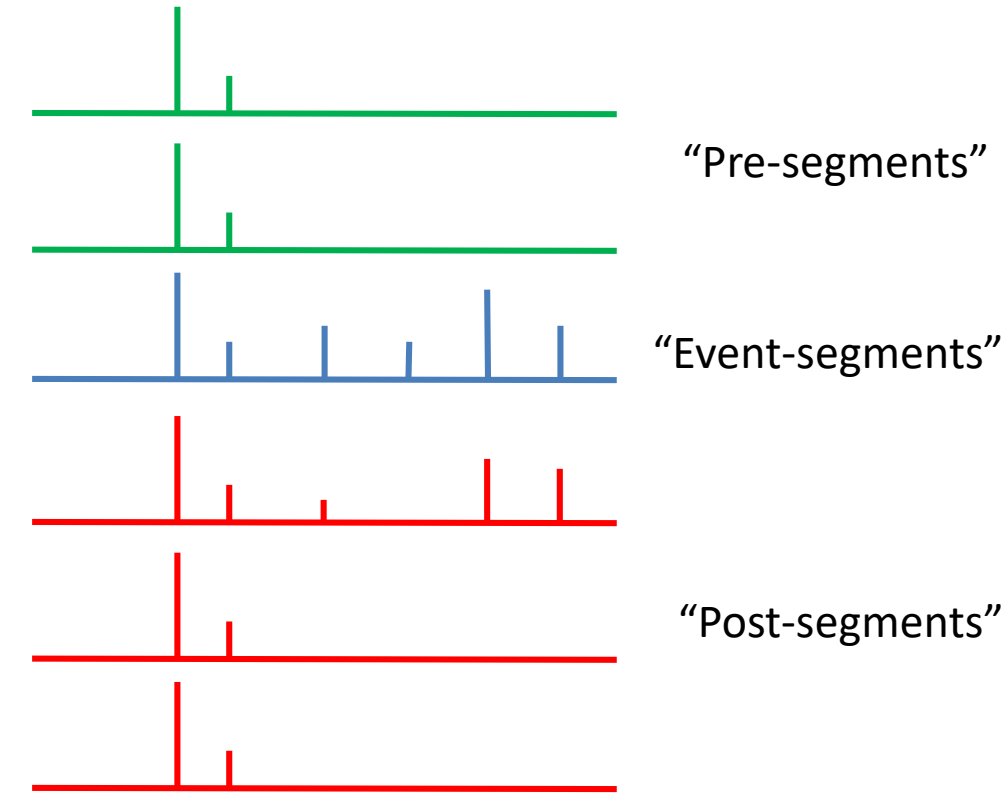
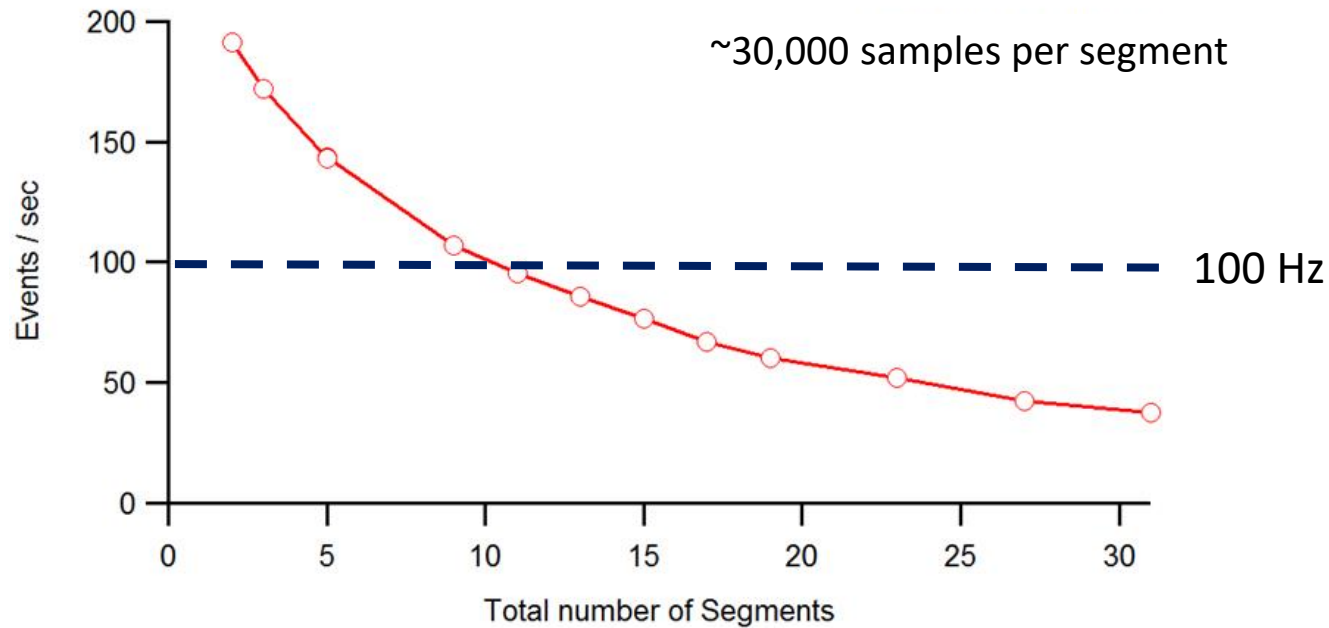
Same as BFSP at high concentration

**ET:** **0.02**



Maximum number of events/s as a function of number of segments/event.  
(Segment = spectrum). HTOF with ~30,000 samples per spectrum.

# PDE for ET depends on data dimension



**PDE in ET mode will depend on the size of the data per particle**

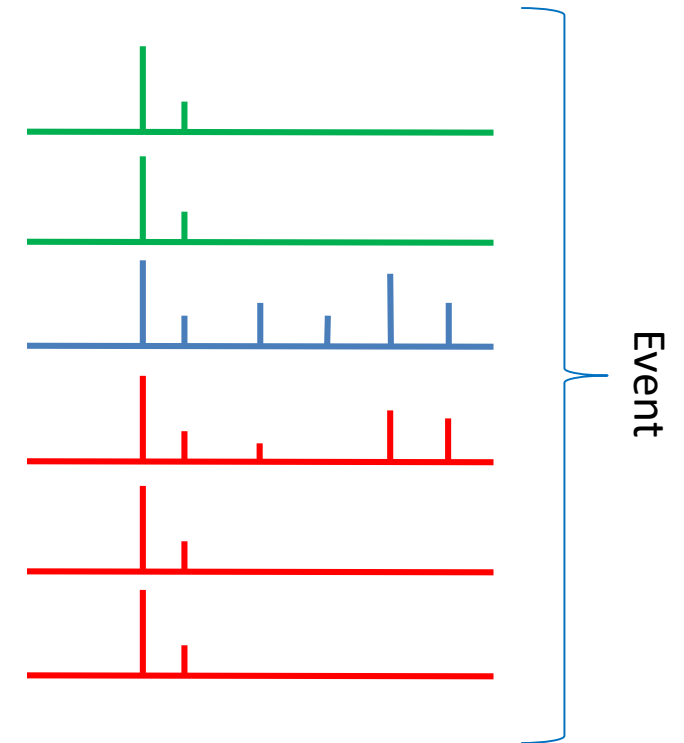
Total data points per particle = (samples/segment) \* Number segments

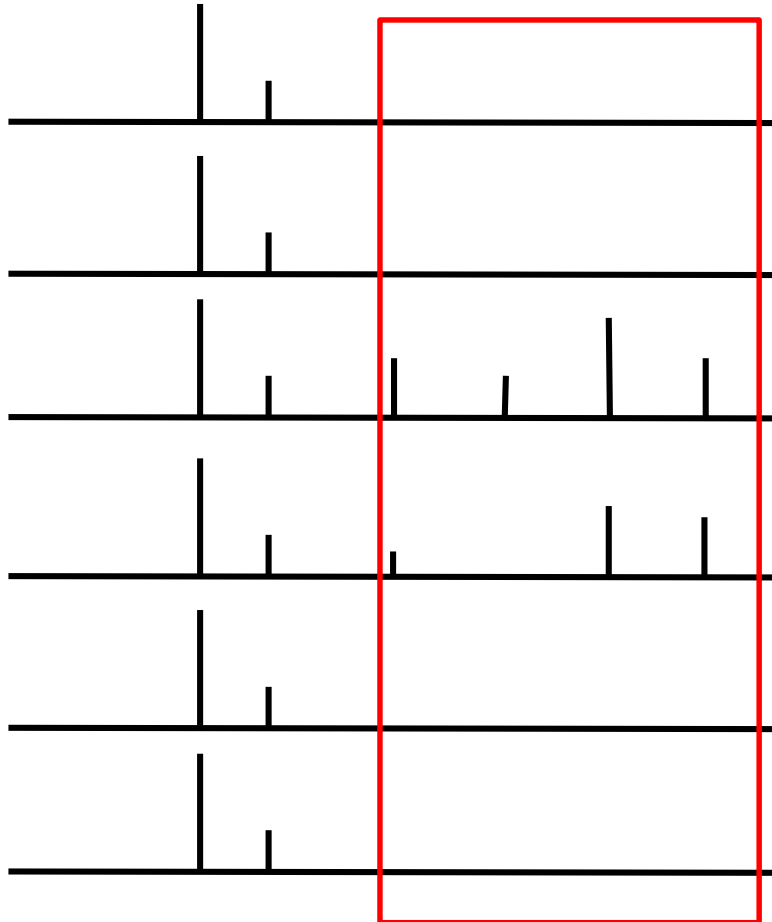
Number of samples determines mass range

Number of segments is also user adjustable (see right – we will come back to this)

**Event:** A single MS extraction or series of consecutive extractions containing signals corresponding to the detection of a particle

- Single extractions are continuously acquired without averaging



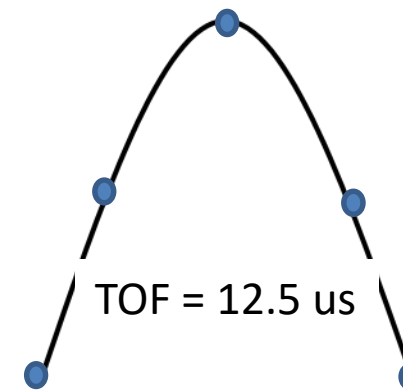
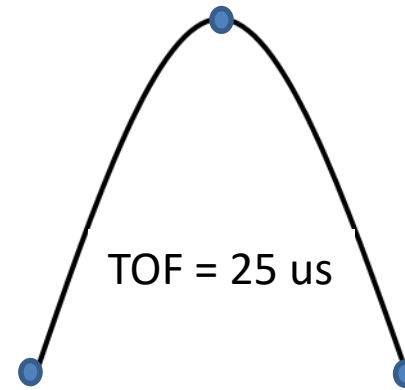
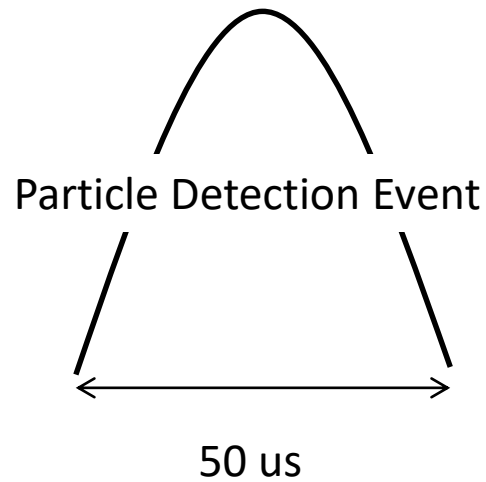


## This idealized example

- Want to define an ROI that captures growing peaks in high mass range
- # of ions/event can be as low as 1 because there is no background

## Real world considerations

- Location of large background peaks -> do we want these within ROI
- Summed background level in ROI -> affects # of ions / event
- Ionization efficiency: Small particles may produce very few ions and be harder to capture (see AN data from last year's UM)



We may be looking for a small number of ions at any given mass/charge

- Particularly small and/or mixed particles
- Ions/particle increases with pulse frequency. At expense of mass range

The objective is to  
**CAPTURE** as many particles as possible → Wide Net Filters  
**WITHOUT** getting bogged down by false positives

**We will use more sophisticated filtering in post-processing** Don't need to sort particle types at the acquisition step and can also afford some false positives

**\*\* This post-processing filtering could include LS data?!?**

**Set trigger levels high enough to reject noise (or background) but low enough not to discriminate against small particles**

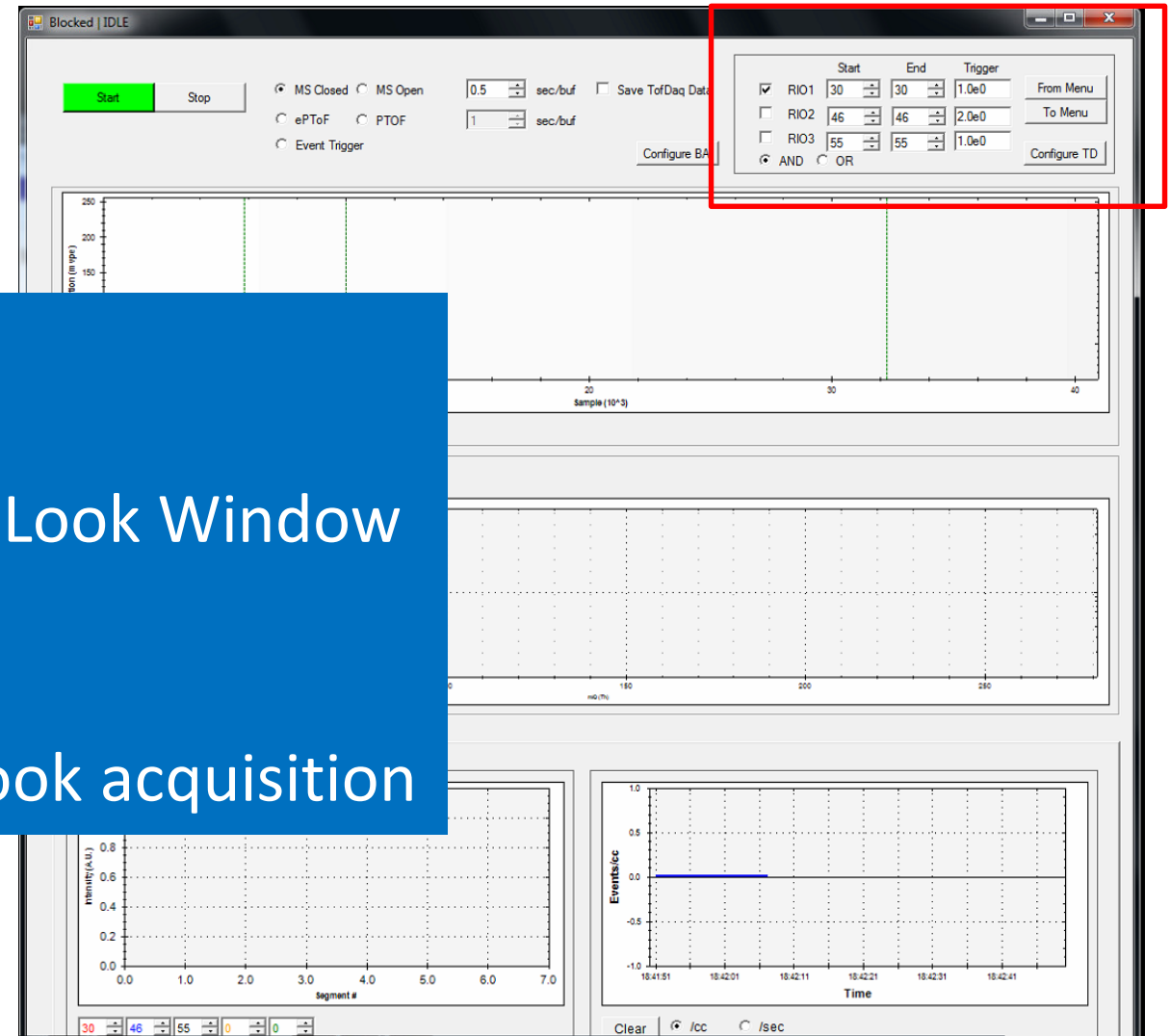
## More considerations:

- User is pre-defining what a particle signal looks like
  - Must always acknowledge potential (pos and neg) bias
- Can we ever “know” that an event is a particle? Particularly small particle.
  - LS is a valuable confirmation
  - In post processing we can play with trigger levels, do statistical analysis of collection, compare size to # of ions recorded, etc ...

Experiment with ROI settings

Run ET-only experiments in the Quick Look Window  
(data are save!)

Run LS in parallel to GenAlt or QuickLook acquisition



☐ GenAlt ☐ Fast MS ☒ **Event Trigger**

A menu is defined as ET for Menu Switching

**Event Trigger**

Duration (s)

☒ **Enable Region 1**  
Start m  End m   
Minimum Ions

☐ **Enable Region 2**  
Start m  End m   
Minimum Ions

☐ **Enable Region 3**  
Start m  End m   
Minimum Ions

Region Combination Logic  
☐ OR ☒ AND

Pre Segments   
Post Segments

Waveforms/Segment

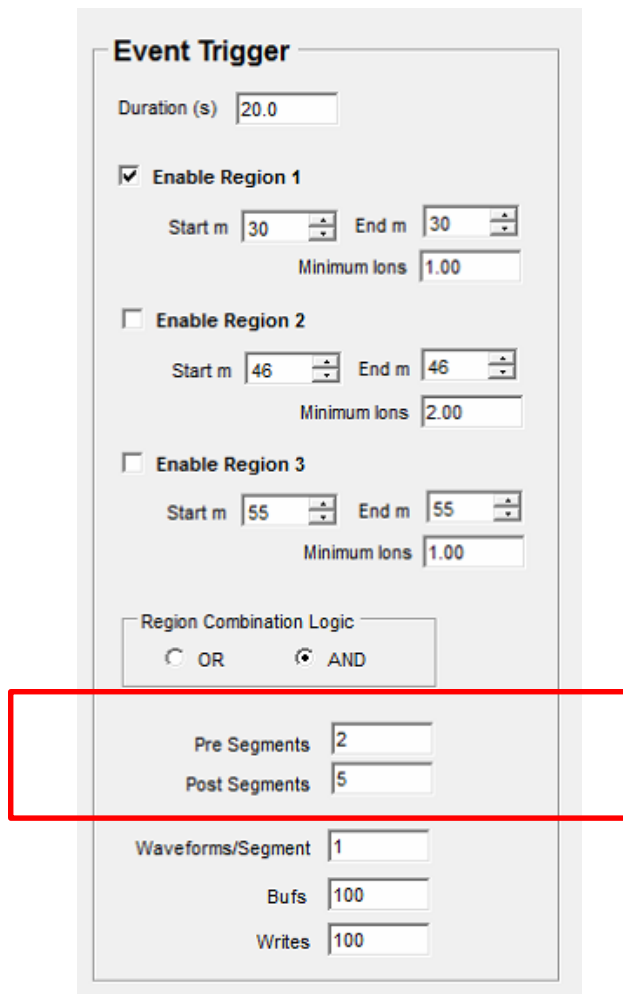
Bufs   
Writes

Amount of time to continuously acquire ET data

Define Event Filter

Define # of segments

Buf and Writes define length of an ET file  
A file must have at least Event = Bufs in order to be readable



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Recall that efficiency will go down as number of segments goes up

Firmware places some limits on number of segments

- Total segments  $\leq 255$
- Pre segments  $\leq 16$

waveform/segment value allows us to increase the duration of an event, while holding down number of segments

Same process as co-adding in PToF Mode

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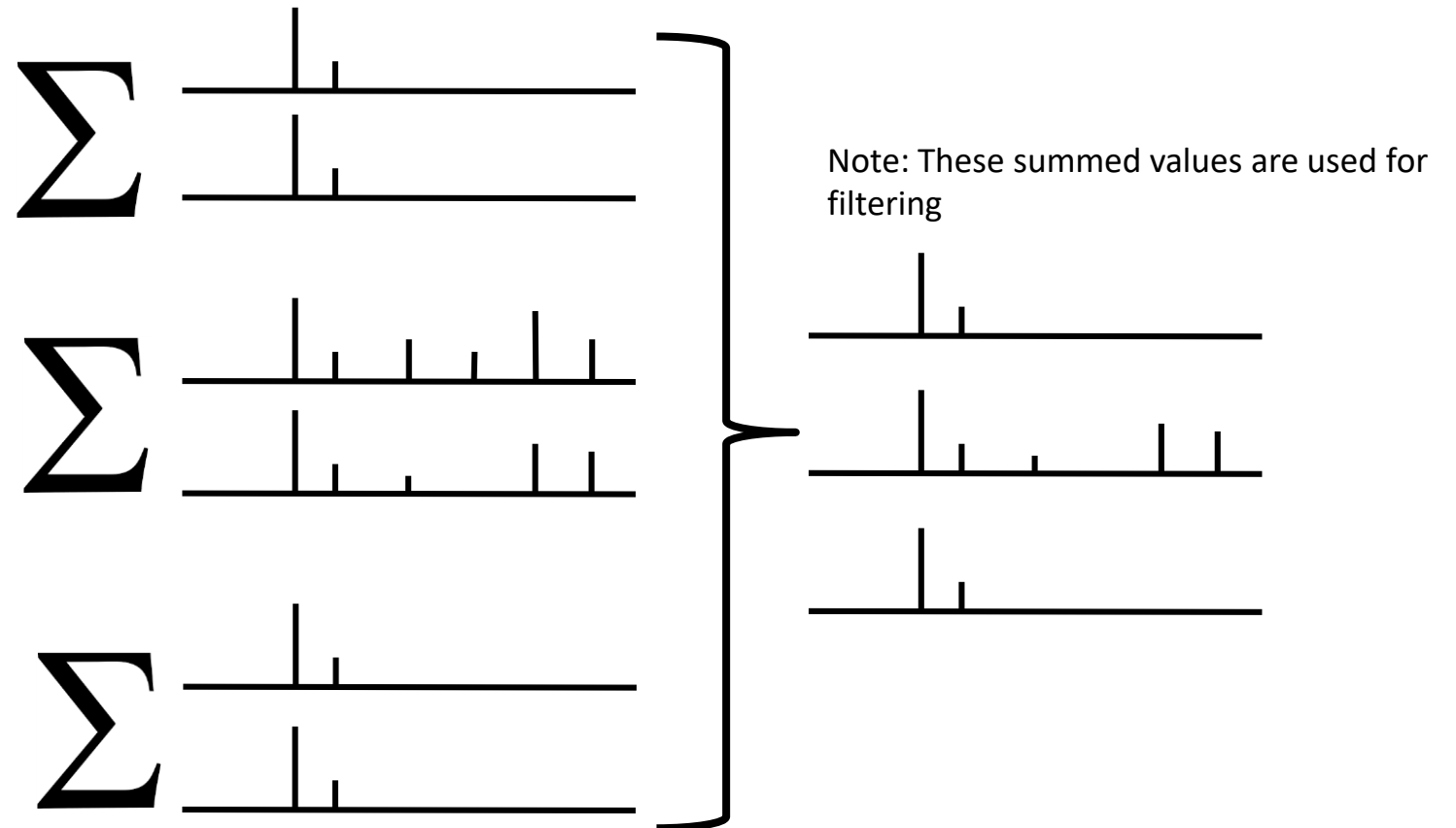
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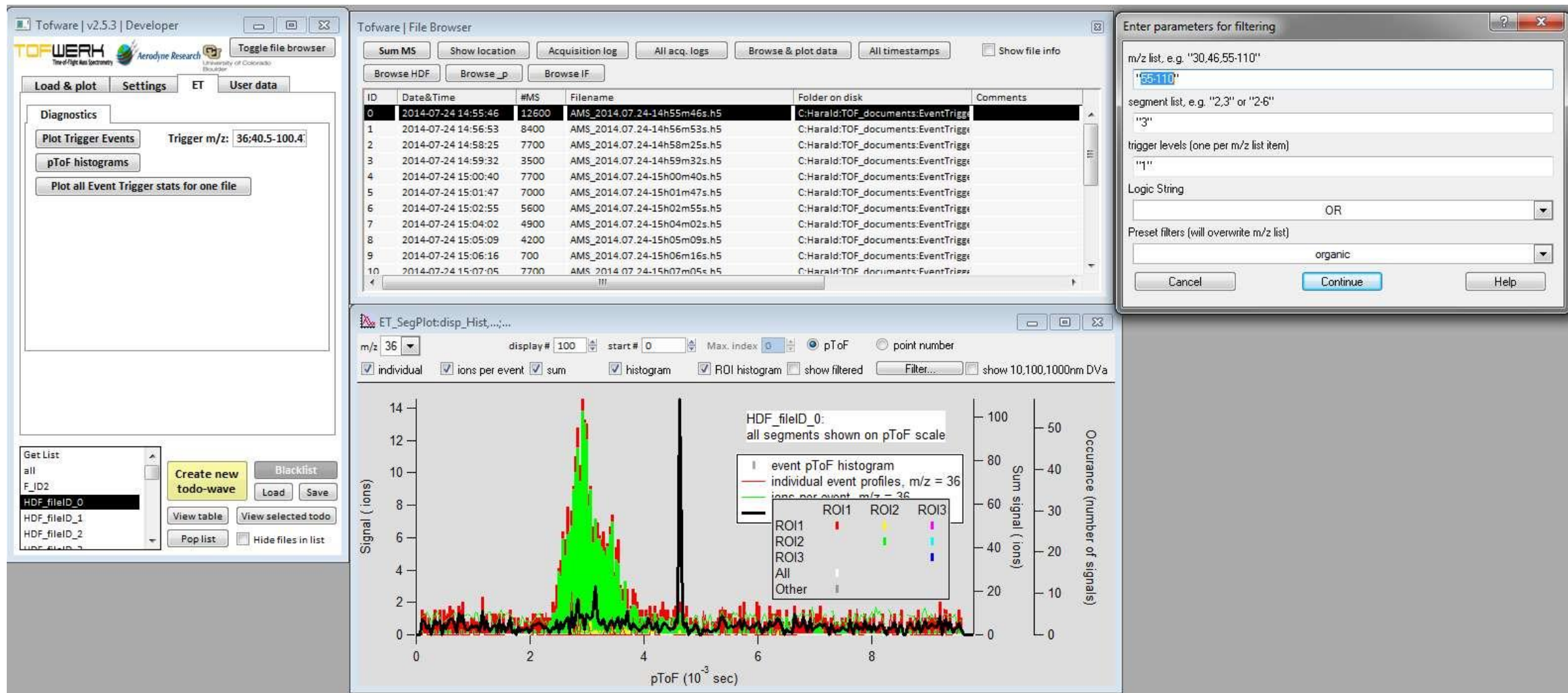
Pre Segments   
Post Segments

**Waveforms/Segment**

Bufs   
Writes



# Dedicated Tool for ET Analysis





$$I_1 = I_R$$

5 measurements to determine the intensity of 5 colors



$$I_2 = I_G$$

Single slit to ensure that at any given moment the detector sees only a single color



$$I_3 = I_B$$

Straightforward interpretation of data: First measurement gives the intensity of red, etc



$$I_4 = I_Y$$

Total experiment duration = 5x the time required to make a single measurement



$$I_5 = I_P$$

Each color measured during **20% or the total** experiment

\*Note how sequence and signals shift linearly



$$I_1 = I_R + I_B + I_Y$$



$$I_2 = I_G + I_Y + I_P$$



$$I_3 = I_R + I_B + I_P$$



$$I_4 = I_R + I_G + I_Y$$



$$I_5 = I_G + I_B + I_P$$

5 measurements to determine the intensity of 5 colors

**Multiple Slits** Detector sees known combination of colors in each measurement.

Interpret signal by solving set of linear equations.

**Total experiment duration** same as single slit

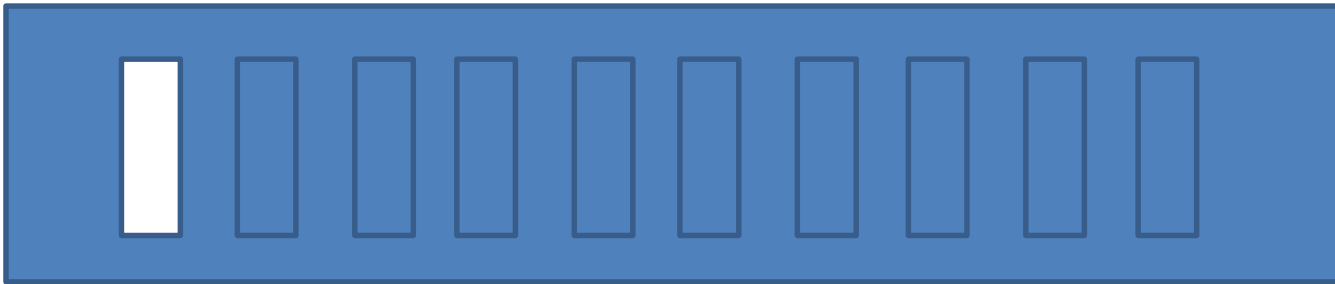
Each color measured with greater duty cycle than single slit ->

\*Note how sequence and signals shift linearly



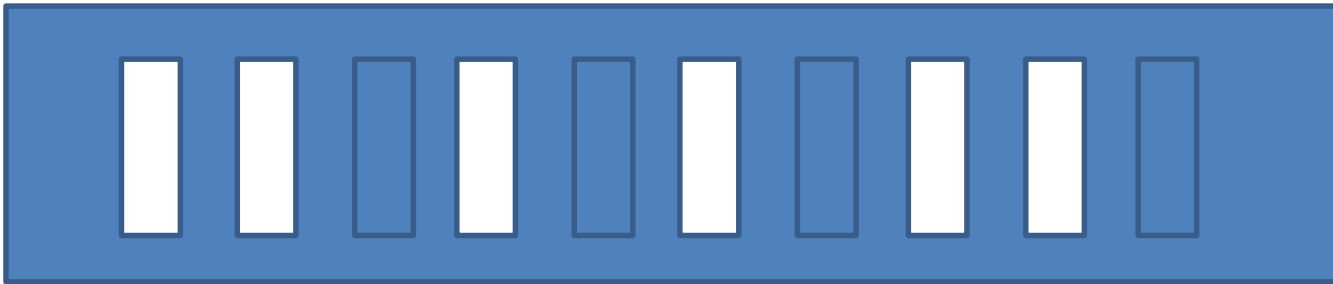
## Single slit experiment has tradeoffs

- Increase resolution --> decrease time spent measuring any particular color

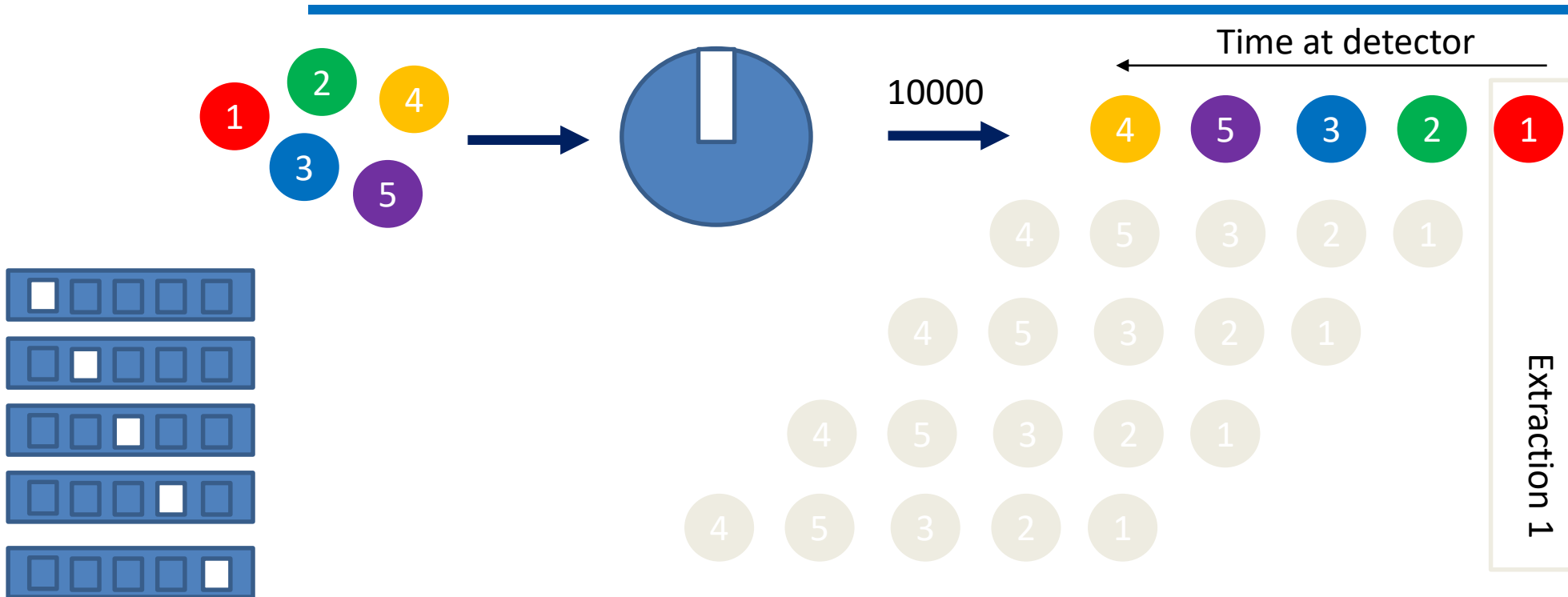




**Multiplex decouples  
resolution and duty cycle**



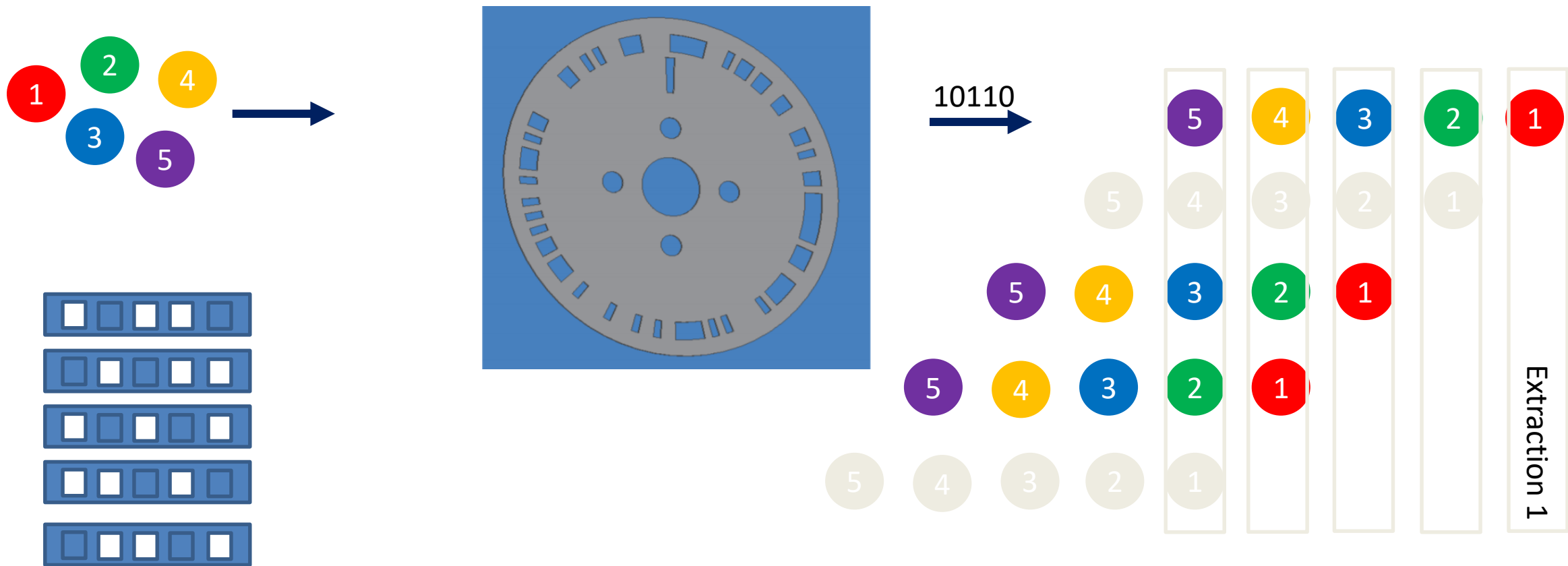
Decrease slit width, increase  
# of slits, maintain duty cycle



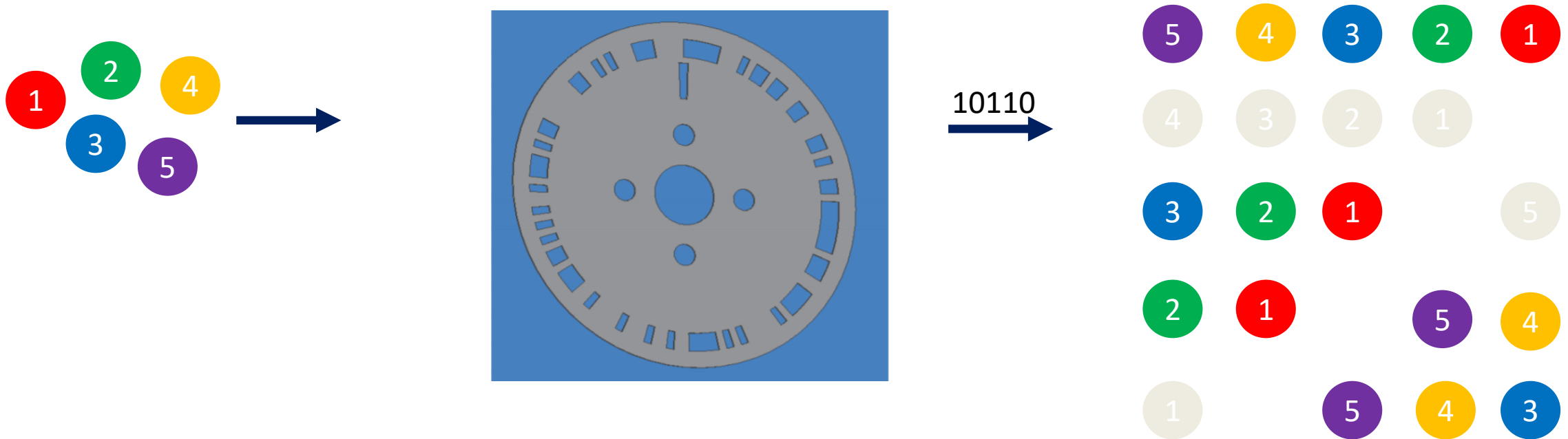
Like our spectroscopic mask, single slit modulates the signal so that only one particle size (color) strikes detector at any single time

Our detector is a single TOF measurement. In this example, we have 5 TOF/chop

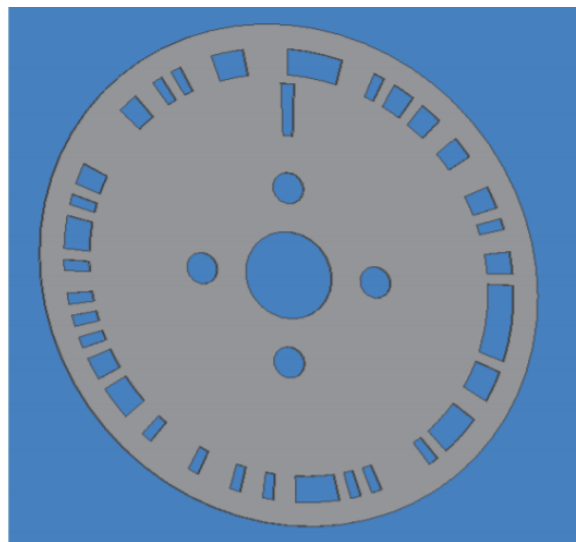
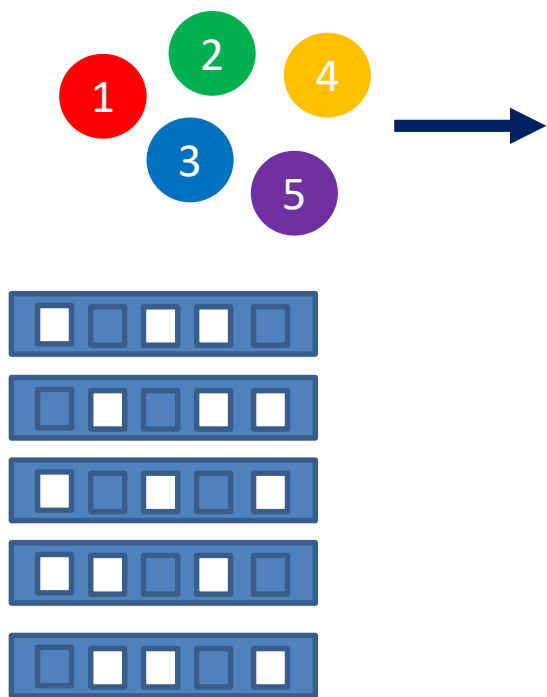
**Extraction 1 measures PTOF1, and so on**



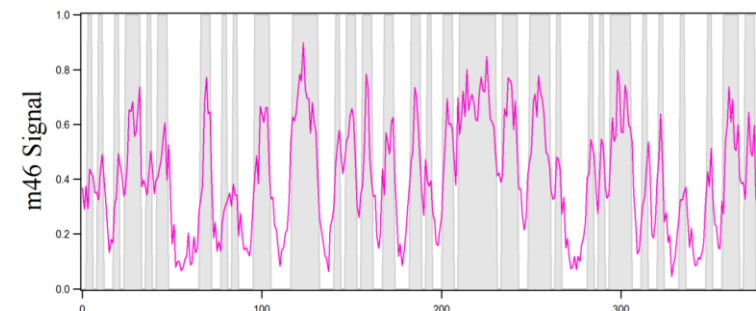
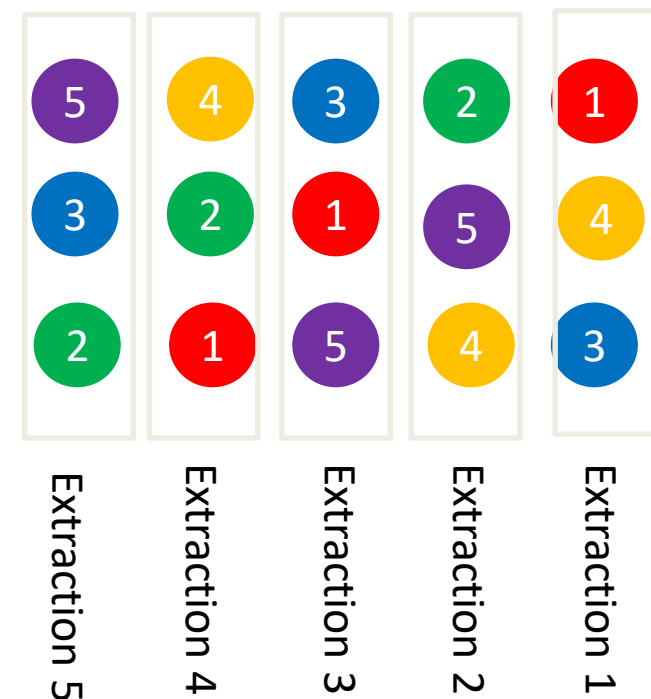
In the multiplexed ptof experiment, we introduce particles into the drift region with each slit opening. Multiple particle sizes from different slit opens can reach the TOF at the same time.



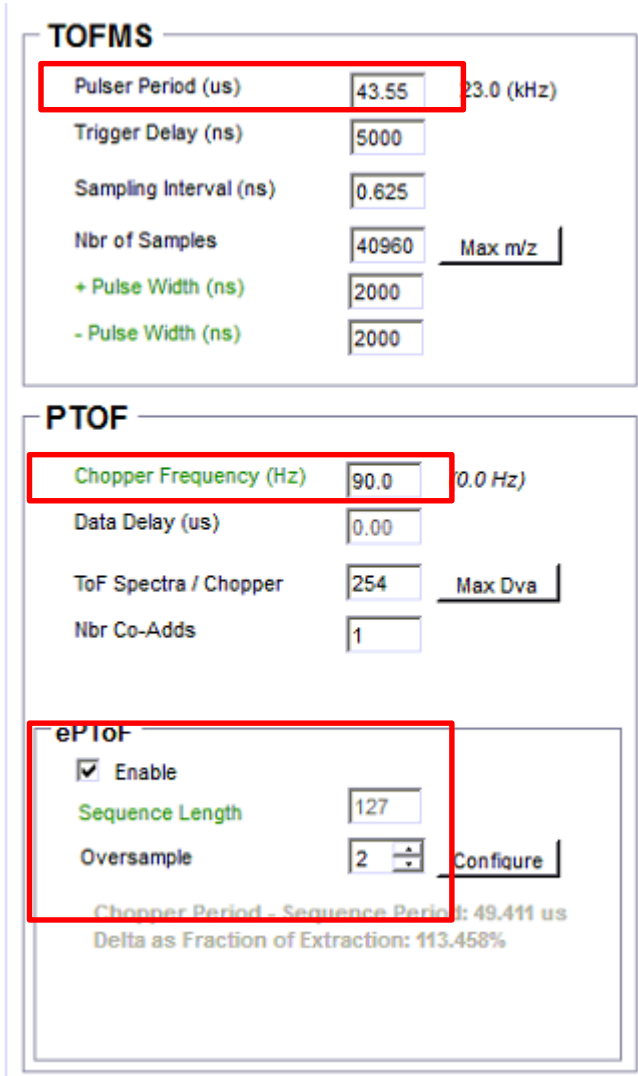
In the multiplexed ptof experiment, the chopper rotates continuously, and the 5 TOF extractions are continuously averaged. -> wraparound of large particles to arrive in smaller extraction #s.



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The averaged PTOF data must be deconvolved to recover the PTOF spectrum



**TOFMS**

Pulser Period (us)	43.55	23.0 (kHz)
Trigger Delay (ns)	5000	
Sampling Interval (ns)	0.625	
Nbr of Samples	40960	Max m/z
+ Pulse Width (ns)	2000	
- Pulse Width (ns)	2000	

**PTOF**

Chopper Frequency (Hz)	90.0	0.0 (Hz)
Data Delay (us)	0.00	
ToF Spectra / Chopper	254	Max Dva
Nbr Co-Adds	1	

**ePToF**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable	
Sequence Length	127
Oversample	2

Configure

Chopper Period - Sequence Period: 49.411 us  
Delta as Fraction of Extraction: 113.458%

ePToF data are acquired in exactly the same manner as standard PTOF

Raw, encoded data waveform is saved. Deconvolved in Squirrel

Timing:

Requires exact synchronization between chopper and TOF

Our encoding sequence has 127 elements (open and closed slits)

We generally oversample by 2 → 254 TOF extractions per chopper rotation

For input chopper frequency, DAQ calculates pulser period

For more discussion of timing, see:

<https://sites.google.com/site/tofamsdaq/manual-v5/menu-window/configuring-eptof>