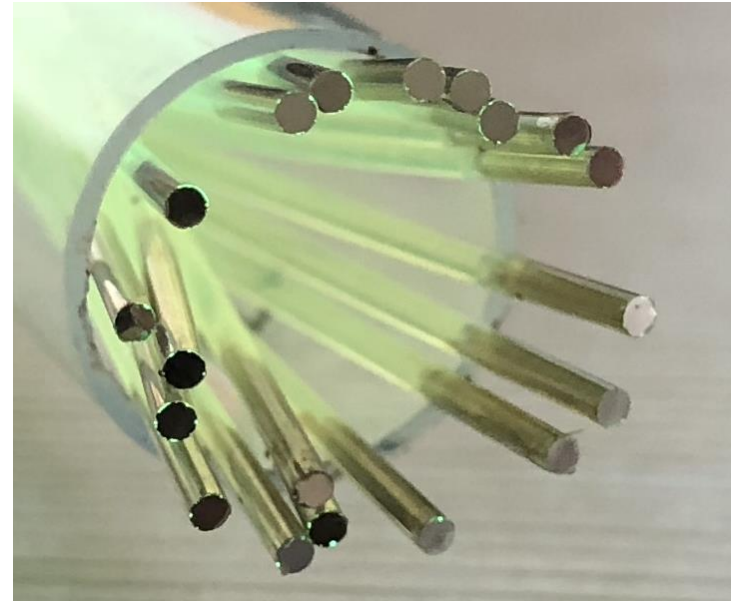


New sliver mirror test

- Sliver mirror made by factory
- Use steam method to deposit silver layer
- Polished fiber end + enhance adhesive power layer + sliver + protection layer(SiO₂?)
- Very good quality, very hard to shed(even use tape to stick)
- High price(charge ¥ 30/each, ¥ 600 for 20, ask more money for small quantity)



Test method

- Same test method as before
- The end with mirror is polished by company, and the other end is polished by polishing machine in SDU
- Data is readout by QDC



Test result

	Fiber No.	test result(QDC channel, pedestal 69)
No reflector (As reference)	old 1	1340
	old 2	1451 ± 29.5
	1	1337
	2	1392 ± 28.7
	3	1363 ± 28.5
	4	1343 ± 27.8
	5	1445 ± 29.0
Average 1381 – 69 = 1312		

This result show the sliver mirror technique could improve more than 90%(2531/1312 =1.93).

Good Sliver mirror	1	2651 ± 44.8
	2	2455 ± 42.4
	3	2671 ± 45.6
	4	2682 ± 48.6
	5	2627 ± 44.7
	6	2587 ± 43.6
	7	2710 ± 45.2
	8	2352 ± 41.1
	9	2660 ± 44.3
	10	2610 ± 44.9
	11	2716 ± 45.8
	12	2418 ± 42.0
	13	2695 ± 46
	14	2787 ± 46.5
	15	2661 ± 44.5
	16	2455 ± 42.4
Suppose 2600 – 69 = 2531		

Following test

- Since the price is too high, we contacted the factory in YanTai that made the fiber mirror of SDU#2 and SDU#3 for help.
- They improve the technique, 8 fiber received and appearance looks good and better than before
- Polished fiber + enhance adhesive power method(?) + sliver layer

Difference in test

Use Oscilloscope to get waveform statistic data, larger error(RMS/mean about 10%, which QDC is only 2%)

Test result

Fiber mirror type	Fiber No.	Test1	test2
No reflector (As reference)	1	2.15	2.29
	2	2.17	2.4
	3	2.58	
	4	2.51	
	5	2.53	
	old1	2.44	
Good Sliver mirror	1	4.16	
	2	4.1	
	3	3.74	3.61
	4	4.03	
	5	4.16	

Sliver mirror from YanTai

Fiber mirror type	Fiber No.	Test1	test2
Previous fiber mirror	1	2.57	2.58
	2	2.19	
	3	2.12	
New fiber sample from YanTai	1	3.68	
	2	3.52	
	3	3.6	
	4	2.8	
	5	2.8	
	6	2.27	2.29
	7	3.25	

Unit in nVs, pedestal is only 0.02nVs, which could be ignored.

Conclusion

- First test is performed one week ago, three days after the mirror was finished. And the second test is performed yesterday.
- No damage and apparent difference in appearance.
- The result needs to be confirmed with a test later, which may be caused by aging through oxidation.
- Need to confirm if this silver method is worth investigating.

Aluminum mirror in ALICE EC technical proposal

- Only 25% improvement with aluminum mirror

distance of approximately 33 cm. The lower curve shows the light transmission efficiency in arbitrary units as a function of distance from the APD for a fibre without mirrored end. The upper curve shows the effect of including mirroring on the fibre end. **The response is considerably flatter with an overall increase in efficiency in the range of about 25% in the vicinity of shower maximum (i.e. the location of the highest energy deposition for an electromagnetic shower).** Shower maximum occurs at about 26 cm on the distance scale of Fig. 2.7. This number accounts for material immediately in front of the detector; which ranges between 0.4 and 0.8 radiation lengths, and assumes 5.5 - 6.0 radiation lengths for shower maximum for 10 GeV photons. At this depth in the detector, the mirrored fibre response is very uniform and contributes nothing significant to the non-linearity of the detector as a whole.

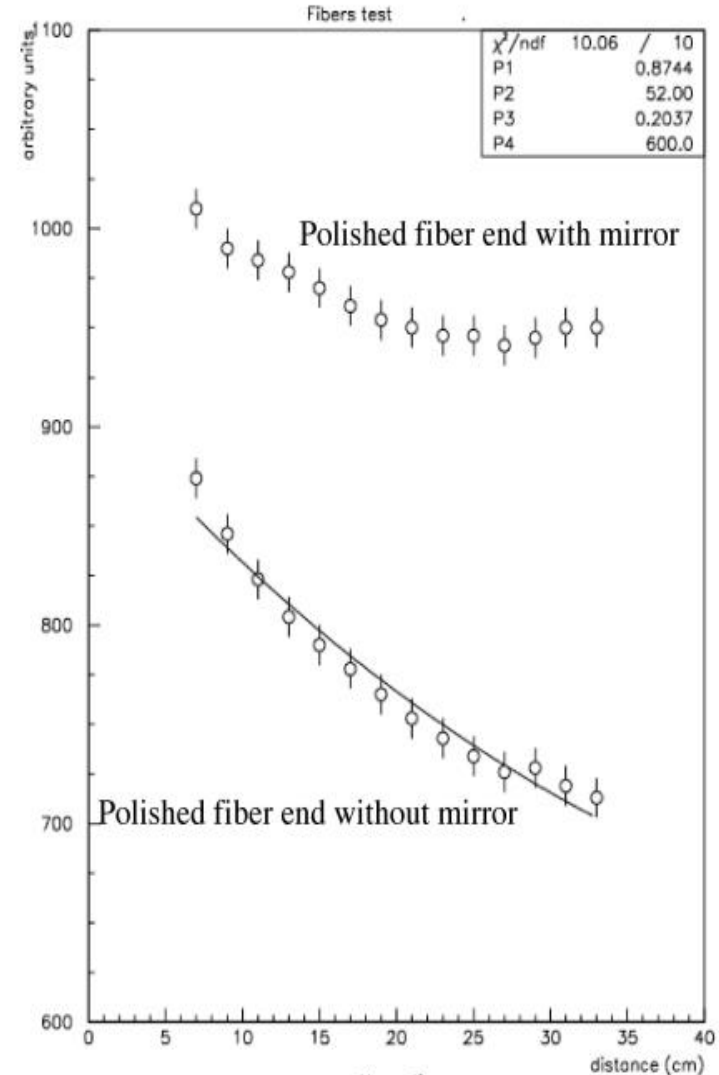


Figure 2.7: Comparison of light transmission efficiency versus distance of propagation for Kuraray Y-11 fibres with and without aluminized mirrored ends.