Operation check of the SDD preamplifier in vacuum and low-temperature condition (I)

For low noise operation of SDDs, the signal cables between SDD chips and the preamplifiers should be kept as short as possible.

In J-PARC E17, we plan to operate SDD preamplifiers in vacuum vessel to shorten the signal cables.

To check the operation of the SDD preamplifier in vacuum and lowtemperature condition (~ nitrogen temperature), we have constructed the test bench system last two weeks (lio, Ishimoto, Itahashi, Okada, Tatsuno).

The test is not yet finished. Here, the intermediate step will be presented.

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Purpose of this test experiment



Operation check of the SDD preamplifier in vacuum and low-temperature condition



Estimation of the heat consumption

furthermore ...

- Remote control of the preamplifier
- This test bench system will be also used for the R&D of the beam veto counter which might be operated in vacuum at E15.

I. preamp outside vacuum vessel



2. preamp inside vacuum vessel

Cryostat



Same SDD
Same SDD

same preamp (without modifying the settings ... reset and substrate voltage)

Temperature at preamp : 150 K with heater (64.6% 30W)
 Temperature at SDD : 99 K

healthy signal output only for 5 minutes...





disappeared the ramp up signal !



same preamp-output signal (+12V)



heat shrinkage of soldering portion ?

3. remote control of the preamps



According to Taniguchi-san

- ♀ reset magnitude --> not so difficult.
- \bigcirc substrate voltage --> we might use the opeamp whose gain can be controlled with voltage.

Pre-amp GT603 Notes

The preamplifier should be placed as near as possible to the detector. The connections of the FET have to be connected to the equivalent pins on the preamplifier board. The preamplifier board needs +/- 24 V for operation as well as a ground connection.

- 1. The connections to the FET in the cryostat are on the edge opposite the 9 way D and are labelled clearly.
- 2. The potentiometer functions are as follows;
 - VR1 Gain (2:1)
 - VR2 Reset magnitude (0 to +2.5V)
 - VR3 Substrate voltage (-3.5V to –12.5V)
- 3. 9 way D connections.

PL1-1	Ground
PL1-2	Temperature
PL1-5	External reset
PL1-6	-24V
PL1-7	+24V
PL1-8	Output (-2V to +2V
PL1-9	Signal ground

- 4. There are two test pins on the PCB for Output (OUT) and for Temperature (TMP).
- 5. The pre-amp will work with internal or external restore. A link is provided for this function.
- 6. A hole is provided near VR2 to support the board

4. heat consumption

The preamp temperature was controlled by "AC resistance bridge with temperature control (Lakeshore 350)" to keep the temperature 150 K with a heater (30W). The difference of the heat load between power off and on of the preamp was \sim 1.1 W which is consistent with that calculated by the high voltage and current applied to the preamp.

