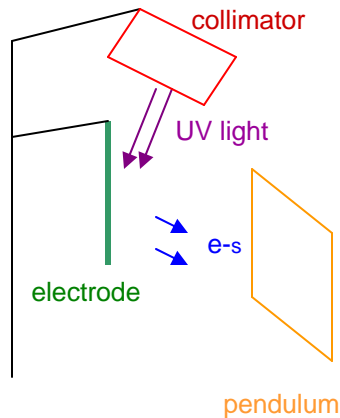


My goals: Improve old design

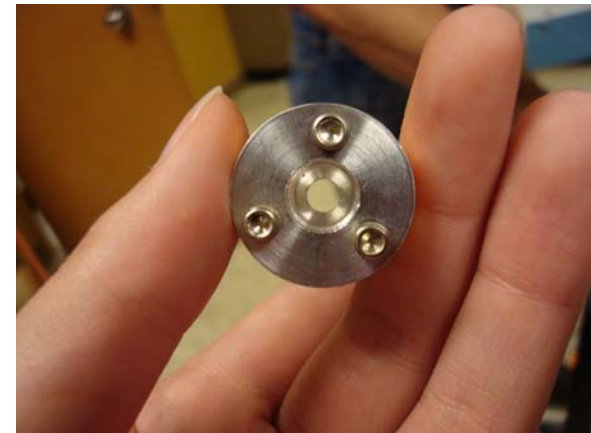
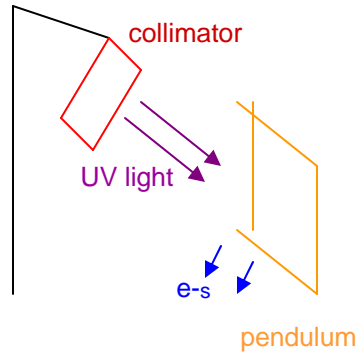
- Using 2 LEDs – one (2) aimed at the pendulum to knock charge off and one (1) aimed at an electrode facing the pendulum to put charge on

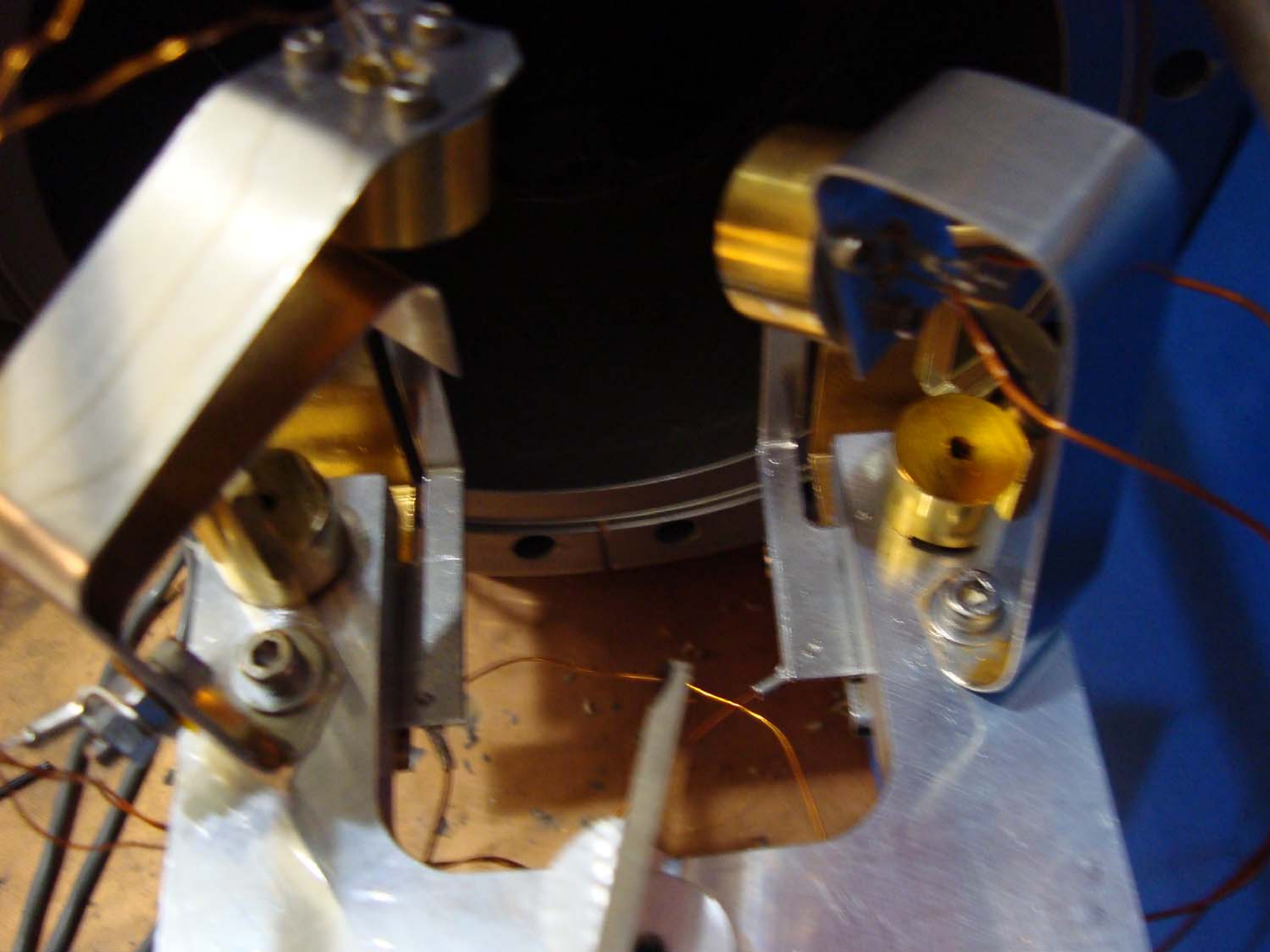
- Collimator to reduce UV light diffraction

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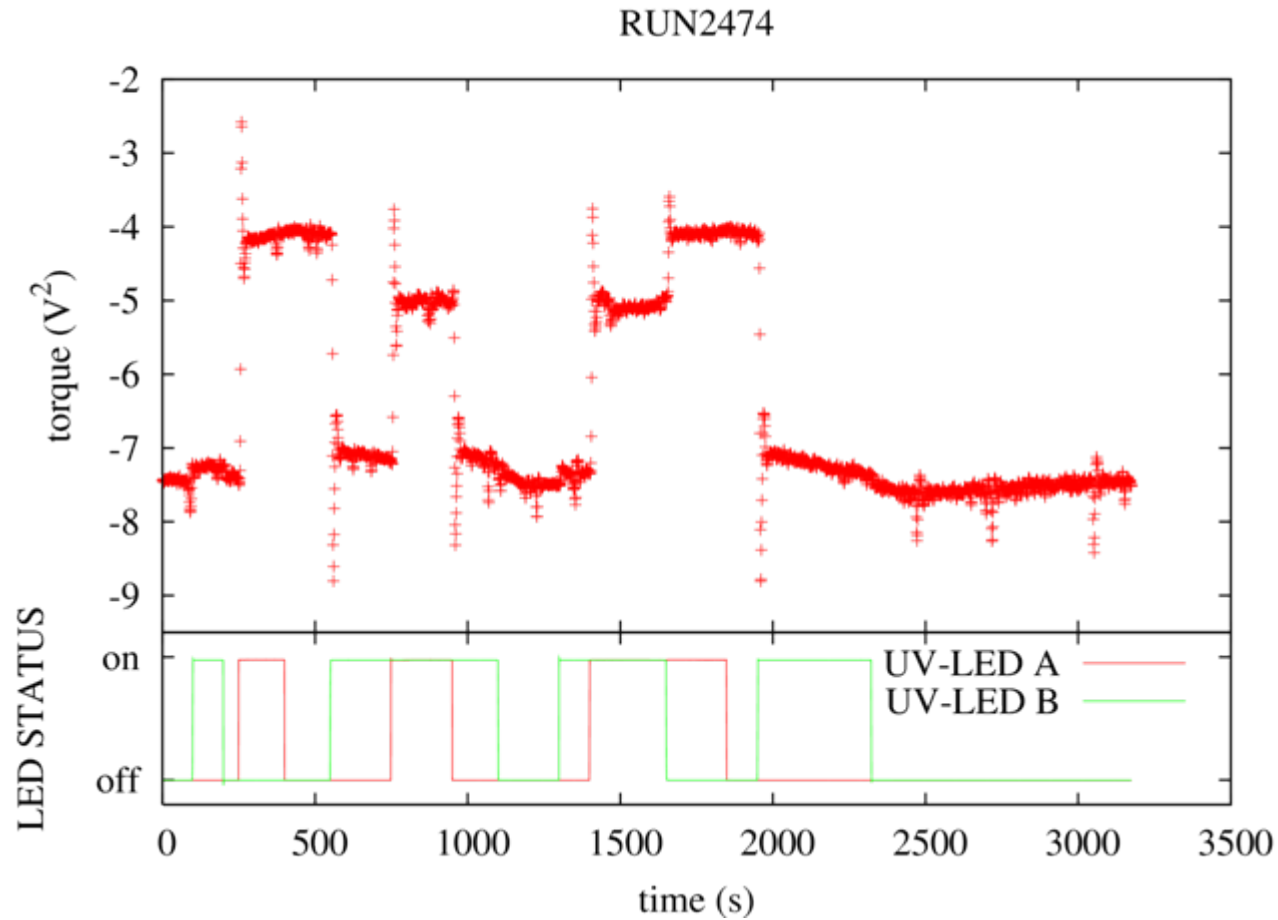


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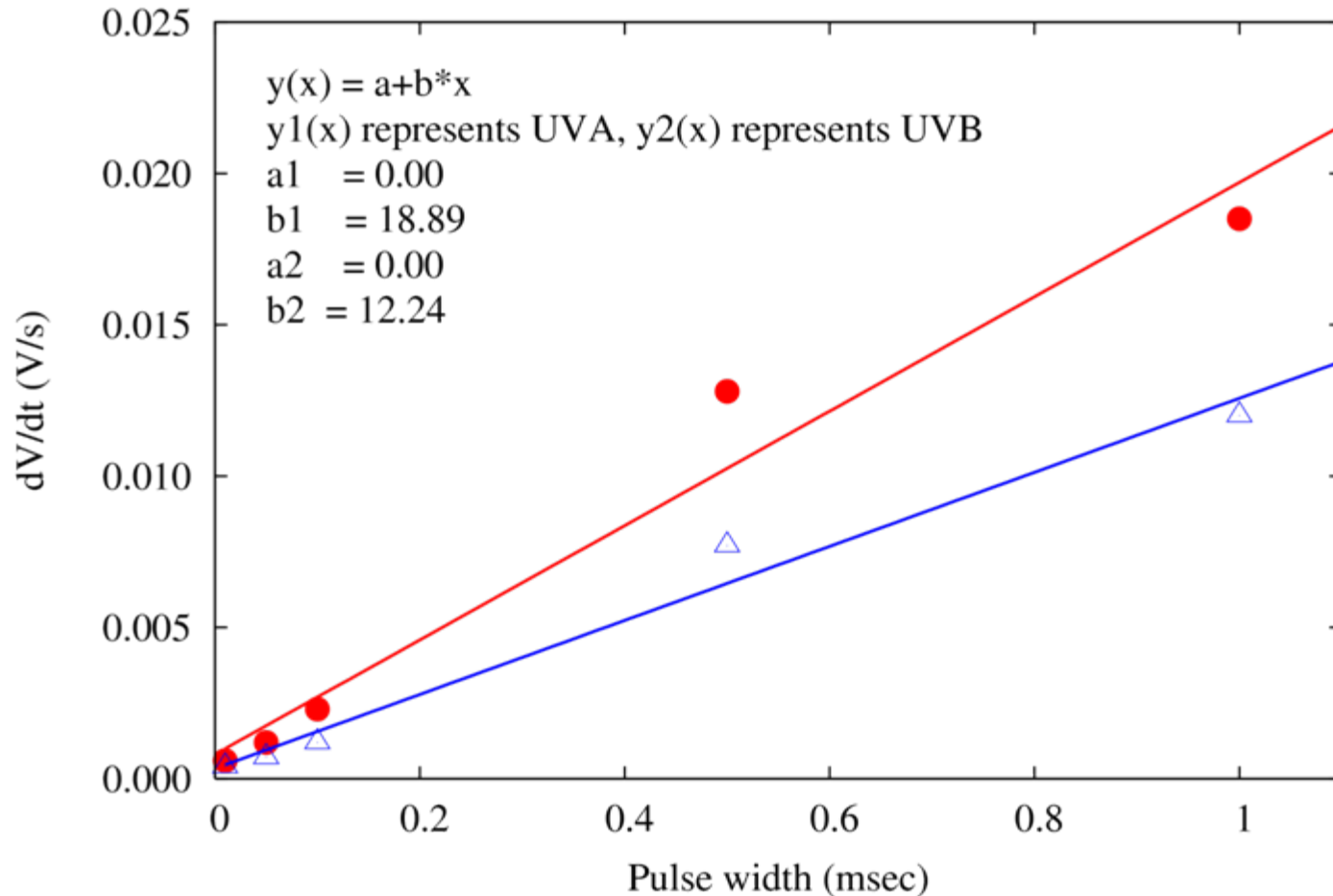
Charge Management: it can be done



Charging rates

- Important in order to manage charge
 - Problem: when UV LED is turned on the pendulum is charged too quickly to determine the charging rate
 - Solution: pulse UV light at different pulse widths and the slope (dV/dt) vs. the pulse width will yield the charging rate

Charging rates of UVA and UVB



- After a calibration of $dQ/dt=C*dV/dt$ where C is about 10pF the charging rate of UVB turned out about 3.1×10^{-11} Coulombs/sec and for UVA, 4.7×10^{-11} C/s.