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Development of a novel position-sensitive microchannel plate detector¹ BLAKE WIGGINS, DAVINDER SIWAL, ROMUALDO DESOUZA, Indiana University — Position sensitive microchannel plate (MCP) detectors which measure the position of an incident electron, ion, or photon, are useful in imaging applications. Recently, a novel detector, which utilizes an induced approach to provide position sensitivity, has been developed.² In the prototype detector, using only the zero-crossing point of the inherently bipolar signals, a position resolution of 466 μ m (FWHM) has been achieved. Implementing a differential readout may improve on this resolution. To realize this differential approach, a better understanding of the dependence of the induced signal shape on the position of the electron cloud is required. To characterize the dependence of the induced signal shape on position a resistive anode (RA) has been incorporated into the detector. The RA will allow determination of the centroid of the RA will be discussed and the achieved position resolution of 157 μ m (FWHM) will be presented.

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