PID summary

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Talks

- Jerry Va'vra: FBLOCK initial design.
- Douglas Roberts:

Geant4 simulation of the FDIRC.

• J. Va'vra:

FDIRC in CRT: update on the waveform electronics performance.

• Ch. Beigbeder:

100ps-TDC-based proposal for barrel electronics.

• Flavio Dal Corso:

Status of SiPM studies in Padova

• J. Va'vra:

Forward TOF: update on photocathode choice and the waveform electronics performance.

• Dominique Breton:

Progress on the characterization of analog memories for TOF picosecond measurement.

• Nicolas Arnaud:

Possible mechanical design for the TOF detector.

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Barrel PID: Development of FBLOCK

- Ray tracing to start the design
- Geant 4 MC simulation
- Drawings for biding
- Mechanical support
- Electronics development



- Design FBLOCK that same way as the FDIRC prototype: using manual ray tracing.
- Verify it with a computer ray tracing, and later with a G4 MC.
- Focal plane is formed as a focus of two parallel rays coming off the bar without bouncing off the wedge included surfaces.
- Other things in the talk: worry about too masny reflections, mirror height, partial polish of sides, etc.
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Rings & resolution

D. Roberts





- Wedge and FBLOCK side reflections complicate image.
- Wedge botom inclided surface is a likely culprit to broaden the resolution.
- A resolution of $\sigma_{\theta c} = 10.5 13.5$ mrads is much worse than what was obtained with the FDIRC prototype with 3 mm pixels ($\sigma_{\theta c} \sim 8$ mrads) or the BaBar DIRC ($\sigma_{\theta c} \sim 9.6$ mrads). Why? Wedge may work with only pin hole focusing.
- Dough will check it next week by removing the botom wedge reflections.

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Wedge complicates image - can we correct it ?

Va'vra, Perugia PID session, New SOB design, page 13, http://agenda.infn.it/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=1161



- Wedge botom reflection creates a double wission with FDIRC optics.
- Wedge was designed for a pin hole optics and will not work well with focusing, I am afraid.
- Can we glue corrective thin wedge on the bottom surface ?
- Or, should we remove wedge entirely and replace it with a simple blocks, as we have in the FDIRC prototype ?
- Modification like this is highly nontrivial.

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How to do it ?



- To install the correcting wedge, one has to open a portion of the bar box.
- Not trivial. But Matt McCulloch is still talking to me, after I mentioned it...

Going for preliminary quotes to get a feel for the cost and a difficulty to make it



- Contacted seven companies, two rejected the bid, five are considering it presently.
- So far, all companies want to make it out of two parts. The green line suggests the split. This is also "convenient" from the gluing point of view.

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3D drawings of the mechanical support

Massimo Benettoni



- Initial concept of the mechanical support.
- Bottom, face and side of the FBLOCK should be aligned with bars to ~0.25 mrad. The support MUST be reproducible around the azimuth.

Test of BLAB2 electronics with FDIRC prototype in CRT Cosmic Ray Telescope (CRT):



MaPMT 64 pixels 6mm x 6mm 400 ps/bin

- Trigger rate of muons with $E_{muon} > 1.6 \text{ GeV}$ & small spot on the bar is ~ 6k/day.
- BLAB2 is a 2.5 GSa/s waveform digitizing electronics measureing a time and pulse height of each photon. The test is running all the time. We have a huge amount of data.

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Cherenkov angle resolution with BLAB2 chip



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- In the 10 GeV e- test beam we measured ~ 10 mrads under similar condition.
- θ_c resolution deterioration understood the iron stack is not thick enough.
- Waveform digitizing electronics using the BLAB2 chip, designed by Gary Varner, works. However timing is still a problem as the resolution is only ~1 ns. A firmware fix is ready and will be installed in December. At that point will be ready for 3D chromatic corrections.

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Orsay TDC/ADC electronics

D. Breton, Ch. Beigbeder

Principle of time stamper:



- Circuit isd based on Super Nemo "SNATS" circuit.
- Normal TDC measures time between START & STOP.
- A principle of time stamper: record absolute hit time.
- Measured time to ~70 ps resolution (for Barrel FDIRC we require 100ps).
- Will use this circuit on the FDIRC prototype in CRT in future.
- Will need an ADC to correct for pulse height variation. A CFD circuit is difficult to implement on a chip.

FDIRC expected rates at Super-B

Va'vra, see similar argument in my talk at SuperB workshop in Elba, 2008

- <u>BaBar empirical scaling law for DIRC PMT rate:</u> Sector 3: PMT rate/kHz ~ 5.3 I_{LER} / A + 19.2 I_{HER} / A + 22.2 LUMI / 10³³
- We know that Belle does not have a LUMI term.
- We will assume that Super-B LUMI term is 10% of the BaBar LUMI term.



- This seems to be a very comfortable situation, provided that (a) LUMI term is not much bigger, and (b) we keep FBLOCK much smaller than BaBar SOB.

Forward PID: TOF or ArRICH

- TOF:

Concept selection Mechanical support ideas Electronics ideas/development - ArRICH: Latest news from Novosibirsk

Geometry selection

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DIRC-like TOF



Bad part:

- a) Must be sensitive to single photoelectrons
- b) Detector has to work at high gain (> $5x10^5$).
- c) Detector operates at higher rate. Therefore, the rate and aging problems are a concern. May segment more if necessary.
- e) Chromatic effects could be important for large photon paths.
- f) More complicated data analysis.
- g) Quartz radiator needs a complicated & perfect photon trap.Without a photon trap it may act as a optical resonator !!Very crucial to success !!

Good part:

- a) VERY small number of photo-detectors (~ 50 detectors !!)
- b) Thin & uniform radiator in front of the calorimeter

Pixilated TOF



Bad part:

- a) Large number of photo-detector needed.
- b) Too much mass in front of the calorimeter.
- c) Low gain operation => worse S/N ratio. Offset by thick radiator.
- d) Expensive.

Good part:

- a) Low gain operation (~2x10⁴) small rate of aging.
- b) **Detector "does not" see single photoelectron background.** The detector is sensitive only to tracks. Therefore the detector operates at much lower rates. Therefore, the rate and aging problems are easier to solve.
- c) Simple data analysis.
- d) The chromatic effects are not important at all.

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Large "DIRC-like" TOF detector

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$$\sigma_{\text{Total}} \sim \sqrt{\left[\sigma_{\text{Electronics}}^{2} + \left(\sigma_{\text{Chromatic}} / \sqrt{(\epsilon_{\text{Geometrical_loss}} * N_{\text{pe}})^{2} + \left(\sigma_{\text{TTS}} / \sqrt{\epsilon * N_{\text{pe}}}\right)^{2} + \sigma_{\text{Track}}^{2} + \sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}}^{2} + \sigma_{\text{to}}^{2}\right]}$$

 $\sigma_{\text{Electronics}}$ - electronics contribution ~ 10 ps

 $\sigma_{\text{Chromatic}}$ - chromatic term = f (photon path length) ~ 5-45 ps for path lengths 10-50 cm

 σ_{TTS} - transit time spread ~ 35 ps

 σ_{Track} - timing error due to track length L_{path} (poor tracking in the forward direction) ~ 5-10 ps

 $\sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}}$ - timing error due to detector coupling to the bar ~ 10 ps

 σ_{to} - start time dominated by the SuperB crossing bunch length ~ 15 ps

 $\varepsilon_{\text{Geometrical loss}}$ - loss due to a geometrucal acceptance ("reject" bad photons) ~ 10%

Expected final resolution:



- Bialkali photocathode will have $\sigma_{ave} \sim 30 \text{ps}$, with GaAsP ~ 25ps.
- For such a small size counter it is not worthwile to go for GaAsP photocathode. Bialkali is fine.

Comparison of PID methods in SuperB geometry

J. V., $dE_dx = f(beta_gamma)$ study.xls



 If a DIRC-like TOF would achieve σ ~ 30ps, it will be useful up to ~ 2.0 GeV/c.

Mechanical support concept of DIRC-like TOF

N. Arnaud





- Very clean design.
- Drawings made by LAL mechanical engineers S. Wallon and F. Bogart
- Quartz plates should be inclined to produce as many forward photons as possible.

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Is this a useful timing method ?

I call the new timing method as:

"Mismatched BW timing method".



The TARGET chip measured rise time: ~ 6 bins = 6 x 400 ps = 2.4ns The rise time measured by a 1GHz BW scope: $\sim 1.2ns$

Leading edge of the waveform from the TARGET chip <u>saturates.</u>

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Comparison with the same laser test with the Ortec 1GHz BW CFD/TAC/ADC electronics:



Note: $\sigma_{TTS} \sim 120$ ps because of the low gain

- TARGET chip was given to me by Gary Varner to learn how it works...
- Low gain operation to reduce the aging rate.
- MCP-PMTs with 10µm holes used during the Fermilab beam test (obtained $\sigma \sim 14$ ps).
- A discovery: A combination of <u>fast detector</u> and <u>fast 1.6 GHz BW amplifier</u> & <u>0.25GHz</u> <u>BW front end of TARGET chip</u> gives equal or better result than a 1 GHz BW Ortec CFD/TAC/ADC electronics !?!?!
- Is this trick going to be useful in future timing methods ? One should try it on single pe's.
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"USB waveform catcher"



• We spent some time in my lab and took data with a laser and the TOF counter setup. Data ready for analysis. The Wave Catcher software also now runs on my MAC.

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Aerogel RICH

E. Kravchenko



- Clearly ArRICH is a better PID device than TOF.
- However, the complexity is non-trivial. This device is more complex than the Barrel FDIRC, I would say.
- A lot of mass in front of calorimeter.
- Beam test is being prepared.