

The novel photon detectors based on MPGD technologies for the upgrade of COMPASS RICH-1

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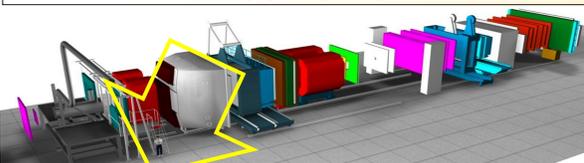


COMPASS RICH-1

Common Muon and Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy



Measurements with muon beam:	Measurements with hadron beams:
COMPASS - I (2002 – 2011)	
Spin Structure, Gluon Polarization	Pion Polarizability
Flavor Decomposition	Diffraction and Central Production
Transversity	Light Meson Spectroscopy
Transverse Momentum Dependent PDFs	Baryon Spectroscopy
COMPASS - II (2012 – 2018)	
DVCS and DVMP	Pion and Kaon Polarizabilities
Unpolarized SIDIS and TMDs	Drell-Yan Studies
Lol in preparation (2020 - ...)	



MWPCs with CsI Photocathodes

hadron PID from 3 to 60 GeV/c
acceptance: H: 500 mrad V: 400 mrad
trigger rates: up to ~50 KHz, beam rates up to ~10¹⁰ Hz
Detector designed in 1996 in operation since 2002
MAPMT based upgrade in 2006. A new upgrade with Hybrid MPGD is done in 2015.

- Low gain, long recovery time after a discharge.
- Slow time response.
- Large photon and ion feed back to the photocathode.

RICH-1 UPGRADE

The new PDs have to be capable of:
A small time resolution ≤ 10 ns.
A closed geometry to avoid photon feedback.
A large gain ($\sim 10^5$).
A reduced Ion Back – Flow (IBF) to the CsI photocathode ($\leq 3\%$).

MPGD based PDs: Chosen -> HYBRID: THGEMs + MICROMEAS

New Hybrid PDs

THGEM

THGEMs are Electron Multipliers derived from the GEMs concept with larger geometrical dimensions and produced by standard PCB drilling technology.

PCB technology, thus:

- robust
- mechanically self supporting
- industrial production of large size boards
- economic

Comparing to GEMs

- Geometrical dimensions X ~10
- But κ = motion/multiplic. properties do not
- Larger holes: dipole fields and external fields are strongly coupled

About gain:

- Large gains are easily obtained (cm²)
- 200,000 turns/min 20,000 holes/h storage: 840 tools, controlled diameter depth, run-out.

Efficient photo detection demands the optimization of several parameters:

- Choice of Gas: affects Photoelectron Extraction Efficiency.
- Choice of Drift field: Affects Photoelectron Collection Efficiency.
- Choice of Hole diameter, Pitch and Thickness: Affect the orthogonal component of the field over the CsI surface, hence affect the photoelectron extraction efficiency.

Optimized parameters:
Hole diameter = 400 μ m
Pitch = 800 μ m
Thickness = 400 μ m
Rim=0 μ m

THGEM for Upgrade

Thickness uniformity plays an essential role in defining the maximum achievable gain. Observed Thickness variation up to 50 μ m for 400 μ m thick PCBs. Maximum gain is limited by the thinner area. The raw PCB for THGEM production have been selected among those presenting thickness variation smaller than $\pm 6\mu$ m

Elite Material Co., Ltd. Technical Data

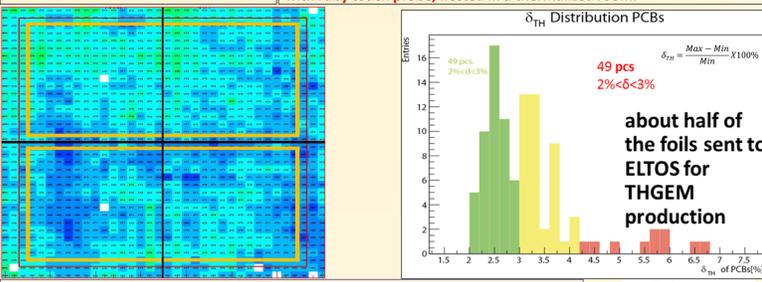
Lead-free, Halogen-free Material

PRODUCT	EM 370-5		
Thickness	0.407 mm		
Copper	35 μ / 35 μ		
Sheet Size	1.245 x 1.092 mm		

Permittivity (PC 50%)
1 MHz: 2.559 C-242350 - 4.8
1 GHz: 2.5171 C-863500 - 4.3

Volume resistivity: 2.5171 C-863500 MO-cm $>10^{10}$
Surface resistivity: 2.5171 C-863500 MO $>10^9$

For each foil 36 x 36 points in square pattern are measured 3 times.
Total 50 foils were treated.
To allow consistency checks both sides of the foils are measured.



from each foil two THGEMs can be produced 50 foils \rightarrow 100 raw THGEM pcb.
THGEM pcb size = 620 mm x 320 mm, active area = 581 mm x 287 mm.
All foils have been labelled and measured. Database of local thickness of all THGEMs

Holes after drilling may have Cu foil remnant and PCB remnant inside it. Dedicated post production treatment is performed to ensure better hole quality.

Ultrasonic bath with pH 11 pcb cleaner; washing with demineralized water eventually heated inside oven at 180 °C for ~ 24 hours

Mechanical brushing using pumice stone plus water: long process fine grain size pumice stone, pressurized water cleaning to remove pumice residuals

Quality Assessment Stage 1: Test for breakdown Voltage (in N₂) and discharge counting (in Ar/CO₂ 70/30)

Threshold for selection. All THGEMs beyond the limit are rejected because of high spark rate at lower field.

THGEM : 422

- $dV=1000V$: 4 hours : 0 sparks/h
- $dV=1150V$: 1 hour : 70 sparks/h
- $dV=1030V$: 1160V / 10V steps, 1 hour for all dV

THGEM : 307

- $dV=1100V$: 74 hours : 0.27 sparks/h
- $dV=1150V$: 14 hours : 0.29 sparks/h

Quality Assessment Stage 2: Gain uniformity measurements

Gain uniformity is measured using X ray Source. For different sectors the gains are measured. The manual task can't be completed in a day. APV 25 FE cards are used.

Satisfactory gain uniformity has been reached.

$$\delta_G = \frac{G_{max} - G_{min}}{G_{min}}$$

$$\delta_G < 10\%$$

AMPTK Mini-X Au used at 15 kV, 200 μ A + Cu foil provides 8 keV X-rays uniform illumination and a rate > 5 kHz cm⁻² (for 1 cm Ar/CO₂ 70/30).

Micromegas

Micromegas have intrinsic ion trapping property. COMPASS RICH-1 requires Photon detectors with Low Ion Back Flow (IBF).

Bulk Micromegas (CERN) active area: 581 mm x 287 mm - 128 μ m mesh gap

- 18 μ m woven wires with 45 μ m pitch
- Anodic plane segmented into 8x8 mm² pads. ~20K pads.

Anodic PCBs produced by TVR Srl

$$\delta_G = \frac{G_{max} - G_{min}}{G_{min}}$$

$$\delta_G \sim 5\%$$

X rays spectrum CSA + MCA system Gas mixture Ar:CO₂ = 70:30

70 μ m fiberglass

- Micromesh at Ground
- Anodic (Blue) pad at HV via ~ 0.5 G Ω resistor
- Readout (Red) pad at 70 μ m from anodic one (capacitive coupling).

In case of a discharge the HV of the non tripping pad is almost unaffected: 2V drop \sim 4% drop in gain. R \sim 0.5 G Ω is preserving the non-tripping pads efficient all the time!

CsI coating

CsI coating on the top of the THGEM is done at CERN measured QE as expected.

Selected THGEMs after QA are sent for CsI coating at CERN

CsI plant at CERN

CsI Coating Procedure:

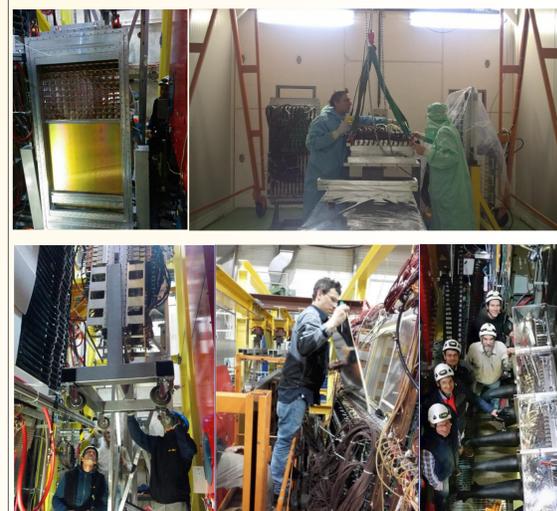
- Installation of substrate inside evaporation plant together with gas tight chamber.
- Evacuation of evaporation plant for two days to assure $\sim 10^{-7}$ hPa.
- Slow deposition (~ 1 nm.s⁻¹) of a 300 nm thick CsI layer.
- Thermal treatment (8h at 60°C) to optimize photocathode response.
- Measurement of CsI at 60 and 20 degrees.
- Extraction after closing gas tight chamber (1 bar).
- Storage and handlings are done in boxes with continuous flow of low contamination gas.

Assembly



Installation of Hybrid on RICH

In Spring 2016, four MPGD based Hybrid photon detectors have been installed on COMPASS RICH-1. Extremely delicate installation!



Preliminary Results

Photons have been detected

RICH FEE: APV25+ DAQ: Latency Scan in steps of 25 ns. Fast Rising of Signal, crucial parameter. Clear Indication of Photon Signal at proper latency value in beam on condition.

3 Samples in 150 ns. Base(A0), Rising edge(A1), Max(A2), RA01P13_a2

spectrum: no beam, spectrum: beam on, physics triggers gain ~ 22 k ADC saturation

Summary

- COMPASS requires excellent hadron identification in challenging conditions, \rightarrow RICH1 has been upgraded with MPGD based hybrid detectors of single photons.
- 1.4 m² of double THGEM and Micromegas based detector have been produced and installed on COMPASS RICH-1.
- The Preliminary results show that the Hybrid detector sees Cherenkov photons, efficiently!
- This novel technology is paving the way for future developments.

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