Tests of ProtoDUNE beam-line ToF detectors

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- Overview and simulations of particle separation
- Tests and technical troubles
- Installing pLAPPDs into muon telescope
- Analysis of pulse shape measurements

- p, π , K, e present in charged-particle beam
- Separation: all over the beam momentum range (1-10 GeV/c)
- Time of Flight Measurements (ToF) with high timing resolution
- Distance between ToF detectors 23 m
- Time resolution below 100 ps required

Particle Separation - time resolution 50 ps, uncertainty in momentum 2 %



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Particle Separation - time resolution 170 ps, uncertainty in momentum 2 %





I=23 m, time resolution 170 ps, p=10 GeV/c +-2%



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Pion and Kaon Separation

Separation of π ank K for different time resolution



Particle Separation - time resolutuion 50 ps



time resolution 50 ps,uncertainty in momentum 0 %





p [GeV/c]

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p [GeV/c]

Particle Separation - time resolutuion 170 ps



time resolution 170 ps,uncertainty in momentum 2 %





time resolution 170 ps,uncertainty in momentum 5 %



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pLAPPD - prototype Large Area Picosecond PhotoDetector





Testing pLAPPDs from Argonne Lab: troubles and malfunctions

- $\bullet~2~pLAPPDs~6~\times~6~cm^2$ mounted on readout boards
 - "board #52 and board #53"
- Testing pLAPPD in the LArIAT beamline in the Fermilab Test Beam Facility (FTBF)
 - the test started just few days before the planned summer accelerator shutdown
 - \bullet the board #53 was missing resistor and capacitor \rightarrow \odot



Testing pLAPPDs from Argonne Lab: troubles and malfunctions

- Testing "good board" #52 with digital oscilloscope → ☺
 - ${\scriptstyle \bullet}$ read out single photoelectron (SPE) noise
 - pulse shapes from each channel and with different cable lengths
- Board #52 began misbehaving in the end of the measurements → ☺
- Both boards sent to Argonne for repairing and checking
- Board #53 repaired, board #52 supposed to be alright after replacing resistor...

- Problems with HV supply \rightarrow $\ensuremath{\textcircled{\sc online \sc onlin$
 - board #53 broken
 - sparks in board #52 when HV is above 2 kV
 - unable to finish test with oscilloscope
- \bullet Preparing installation into muon telescope \rightarrow \odot
- The installation was delayed because of troubles with both boards \rightarrow S

Installing pLAPPDs into muon telescope

- Determine pLAPPD efficiency vs. position
- Determine pLAPPD position resolution



Installing pLAPPDs into muon telescope

- Mounting VME crate with CAEN V1751 digitizer
- Mounting NIM crate with power supply



Making cables for redout from muon telescope

RG-174U signal cables with SMA and MCX connectors



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Back to the pulse shape analysis

Pulses: threshold 15 mV, Channel L6



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Distribution of pulse centroid t_{max} (threshold 15 mV)

- Pulse amplitudes depends on where the SPE from spontanious thermal emission is emitted
- Location of pulse maximum depends on the amplitude
- Based of the distribution of t_{max} the resolution is about 170 ps
- In real meausurements we can correct for the effect of amplitude → the resolution would be improved



Rise time and slope of leading edge



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Amplitudes for different cable lengths (threshold 5 mV)



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