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outline

- Status of ICARUS detector
- INFN Catania group: composition and activities

ICARUS Installation, Commissioning and Data taking

Dec. '21: CRT installation to recognize cosmics



June '22: overburden installation to reduce cosmics

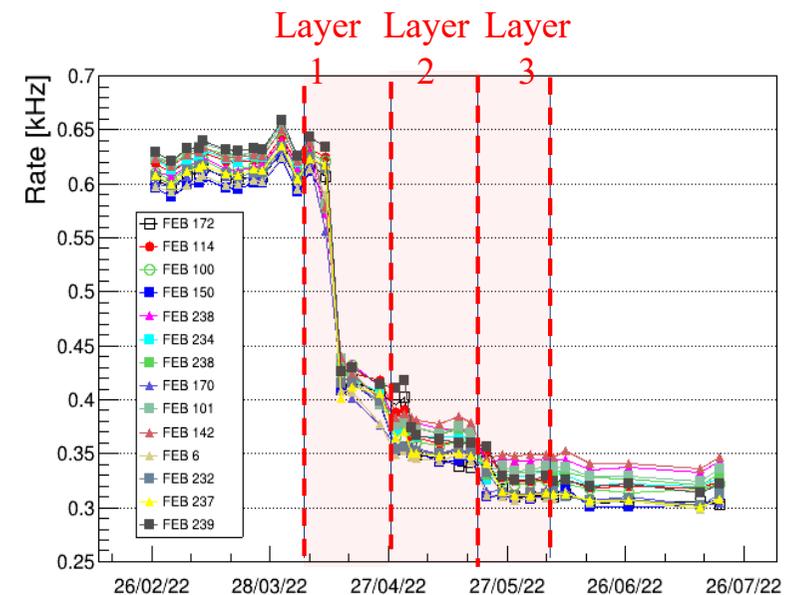


Steady data taking with BNB, NuMI beams since March 2021, in parallel with commissioning activities.

Cosmic rays, ν_μ , and ν_e samples collected for trigger/calibration/event reconstruction studies.

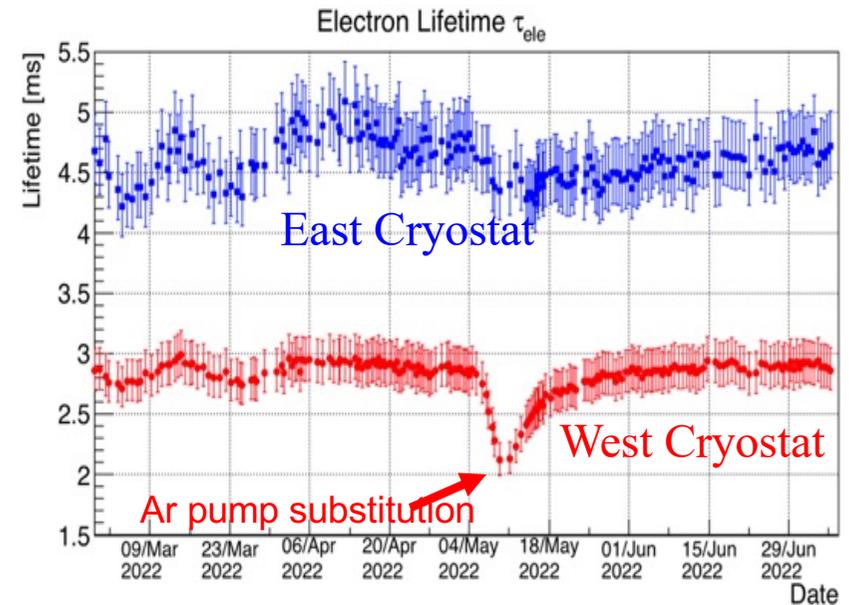
- Installation of concrete overburden (3 layers ~ 2.85 m thickness) lasted to June 7 2021 concluding the ICARUS detector installation:

- Cosmic rates reduced by ~ 2 and start of ICARUS physics data taking!

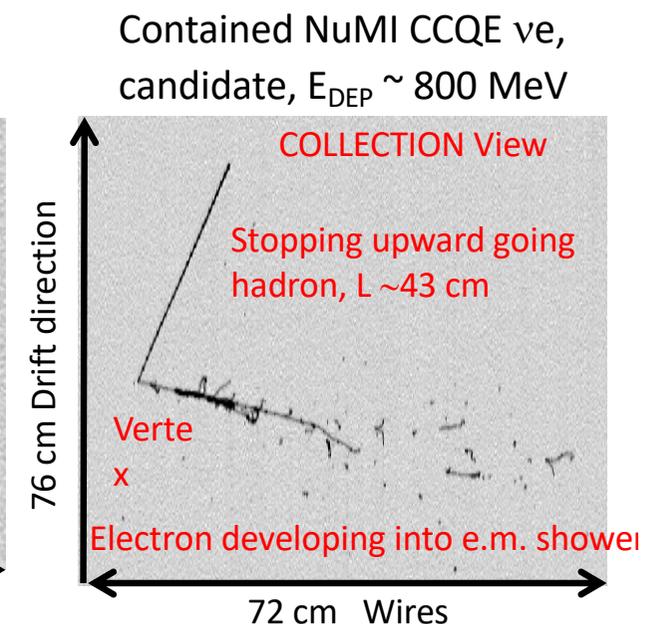
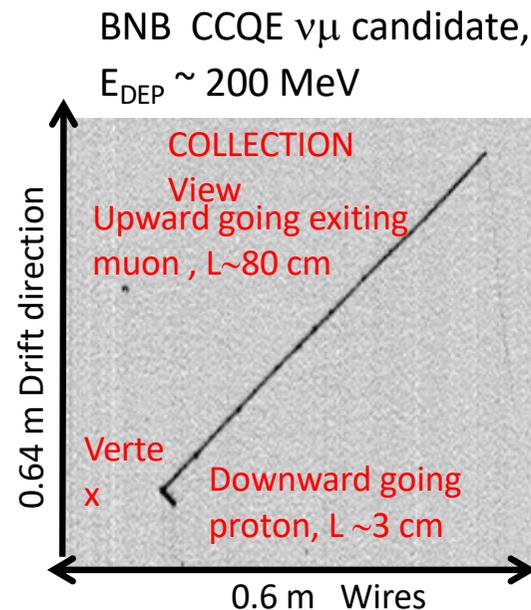


Run 1: first ICARUS physics run, June 9th – July 10th 2022

- ICARUS operated in physics mode with **TPC, PMT, Top/Side CRT** in stable conditions taking data with a PMT signal trigger in coincidence with NuMI or BNB beam spill;
- The cryogenic system performed smoothly guaranteeing a LAr purity adequate for data taking, with a free e-lifetime measured by cosmic μ at ~ 4.5 ms (~ 3 ms) for East (West) cryostat.



- Data acquisition largely successful, with $\sim 93\%$ collection efficiency for both BNB/NuMI:
 - Total collected beam amounts to $\sim 6.8 \cdot 10^{19}$ POT for NuMI and $\sim 4.1 \cdot 10^{19}$ POT for BNB.



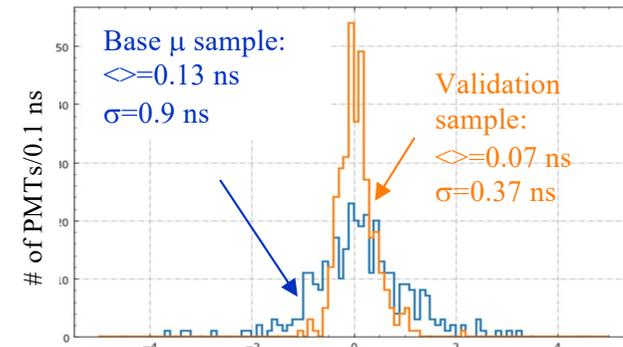
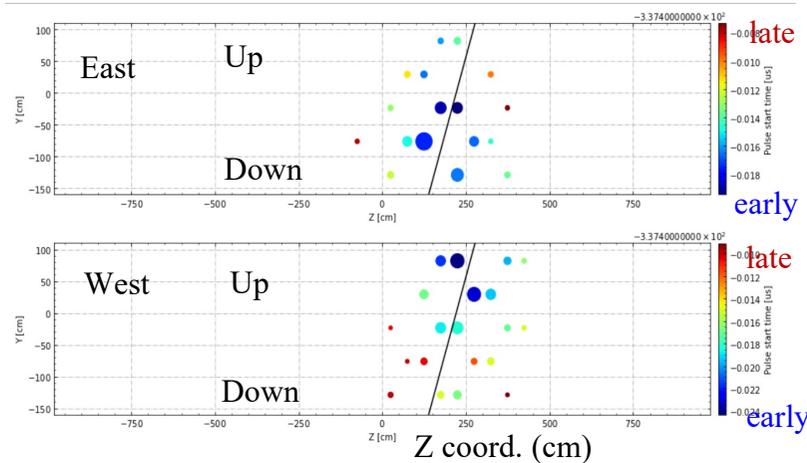
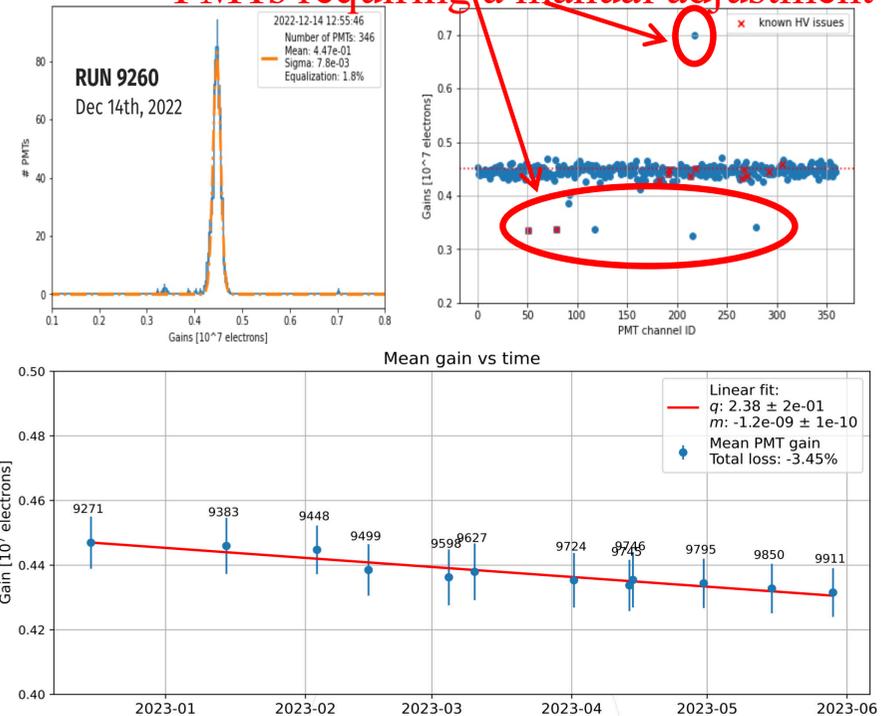
PMT Activities on the 2022 summer shutdown and beyond

- **PMTs gain** equalized to $G=4.5 \times 10^6$ within $\sim 2\%$ spread by adjusting the applied tensions with a semi-automatic procedure based on the recognition of single phe's from γ background.

Light detection system regularly monitored to identify possible variations requiring new calibrations showing an impressive stability since December 2022.

- **PMTs timing** regularly measured exploiting the laser system and cosmic μ s for the precise time reconstruction of interactions

PMTs requiring a manual adjustment

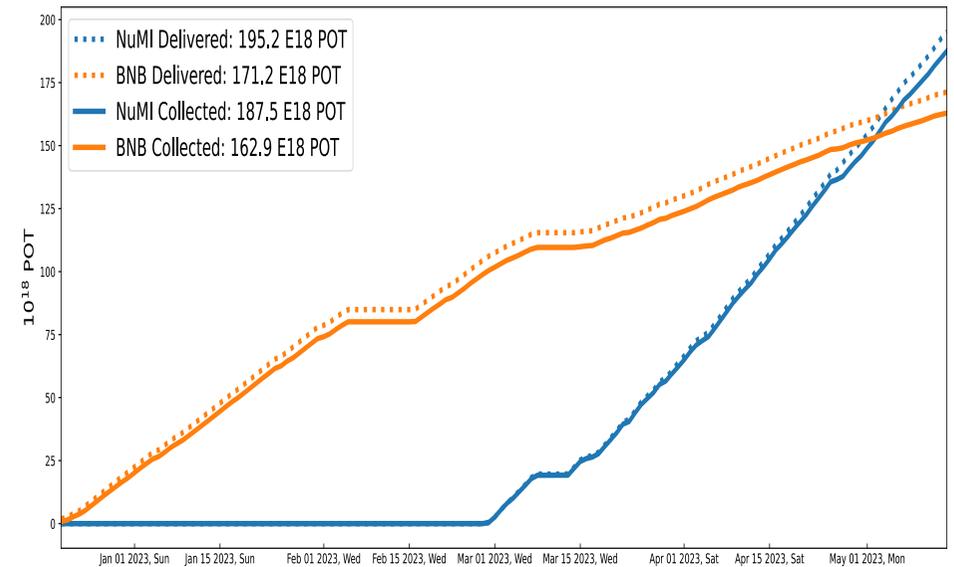


Average residuals from μ procedure (ns):

residuals used for recursive corrections of each PMT's transit time up to 0.4 ns

Run 2 Data taking: from December '22 to July 9 2023

- Run 2 started on Dec. '22 taking data smoothly with an acquisition efficiency >95 % using the improved trigger system.
- Occasional beam stops due to technical problems on beam-lines were used for detector calibration/tests .
- Collected events statistics: $1.6 \cdot 10^{20}$ POT BNB and $\sim 1.9 \cdot 10^{20}$ POT NuMI.



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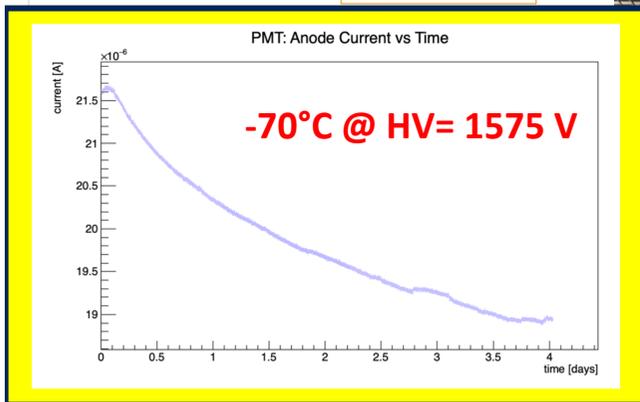
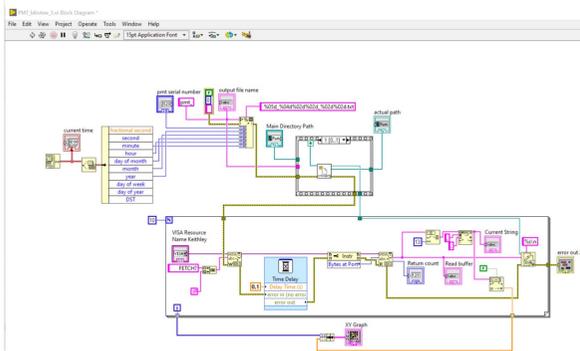
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Attività in corso e previste nel 2024

- *Ricostruzione dei segnali ottici dal PMT System, calibrazione in tempo e in guadagno dei PMT, manutenzione e ottimizzazione del PMT System, PMT expert shifts*
- *Analisi dei dati dalle misure di stabilità del guadagno dei PMT di Icarus al variare della temperatura*
- *ICARUS Remote Shifts*

ICARUS gain stability test



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