



Test beam results from the prototype SiPM dRICH readout

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EIC ePIC-dRICH SiPM photodetector prototype

4x SiPM matrix arrays (256 channels) flex PCB cooling stack (water-cooled Peltier) minicrate with fron-end electronics (ALCOR ASIC inside)

PhotoDetector Unit (PDU)

Readout Box

aerogel tile (not shown) cables and services (not shown)

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Readout Box (front)





















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successful beam test with prototype SiPM photodetector units (CERN-PS, ended on 18th October)



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2023 test beam data analysis ongoing

event-by-event ring reconstruction: Machine Learning



10 GeV negative beam only aerogel radiator



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100

75

50

25 -

0

-25

-50

-75

-100 -75 -50

event-by-event ring reconstruction: Machine Learning





Predicted Image 7



-50

-25

circle fit on ML prediction

75 100

75

50

Original Image 12

100

75

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Analysis on number of photoelectrons

Hit map - run 20231010-084623



recodata.root file
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the gaussian is normalised to unity therefore norm is the average number of photons per unit of circumference

the run has 14567 selected events $\Rightarrow \langle dN/ds \rangle = 2.22088 \pm 0.00015$

integrating over the circumference S S = $2\pi R$

 $\Rightarrow \langle N \rangle = 23.62 \pm 0.07$

this is the average number of photons we would see with a full-acceptance readout plane, including SiPM efficiency

Fit cross-checks



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the deviation of the hit radius from the radius of the fitted circle is very narrow and is consistent with σ = 1.88 mm

let's use these as fixed ring parameters and perform event-by-event analysis of number of photons in the ring

count number of hits falling within 3σ of the fitted radius

Background



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bkg is the average number of background hits per unit of area

the run has 14567 selected events \Rightarrow \langle dB/da \rangle = 0.0002606 ± 0.000015

integrating over the area of the ring within $\pm 3\sigma$ $A = \pi R_{+3\sigma}^{2} - \pi R_{-3\sigma}^{2}$

 \Rightarrow \langle B \rangle = 1.353 ± 0.008

this is the average number of background hits that fall within 30 of the ring over a full-acceptance readout plane to be compared with $\langle N \rangle = 23.62 \pm 0.07$

Comparison with MAPMT



the dRICH prototype has also taken data with a "standard" readout based on Hamamatsu MAPMT and MAROC electronics (from CLAS12 RICH)

estimates on the number of fotons in the MAPMT full ring are

 $\Rightarrow \langle N_{MAPMT} \rangle = 10.7$

to be compared to the SiPM readout

$$\Rightarrow \langle N_{SiPM} \rangle = 23.62 \pm 0.07$$

there is a factor 2.2 more light detected with the SiPM readout than with the standard MAPMT readout

Fast Monte Carlo simulation

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use the parameters from the 2D fit to the data to randomly generate rings and background

hit on the readout surface digitised according to the SiPM position and 3x3 mm² active area

if generated photons falls into the SiPM area the position assigned is the centre of the SiPM

fast simulation output has same structure as recodata.root

Fast simulation



Fast simulation – 2D fit

2D fit parameters match yo accurately fast MC input R notice redefinition of Nsig and Nbkg Sig

Nsig	=	23.6048	+/-	0.0154101
X0	=	2.87125	+/-	0.00255149
ΥO	=	1.18834	+/-	0.00193679
R	=	73.0013	+/-	0.00166626
sigmaR	=	1.88591	+/-	0.00123206
Nbkg	=	10.3538	+/-	0.0133316



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how: count number of hits falling within 3σ of the fitted radius

caveat: we will also count background hits

Event-by-event



event-by-event distribution of the number of detected hits within 3σ of the globally-fitted ring radius

excellent agreement between data and fast simulation

 $\langle N \rangle$ = 9.056 ± 0.025

tail of events with an excess of hits can be nicely appreciated comparing data and fast MC

Ring radius resolution



fitting with a circle the hits that fall within 3σ of the globally-fitted ring radius

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A / \sqrt{N} fit to data and fast MC yield consistent single photon resolution

 $\sigma_{\rm R,1pe}$ = 2.141 ± 0.014 mm

Resolution vs. $n\sigma$ cut



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tight cut \rightarrow bias loose cut \rightarrow bkg contamination no apparent sweet spot

must understand background and if possible cut into it

might be difficult because it seems to happen "in time" with the Cherenkov light, perhaps it is Cherenkov light scattered in the aerogel, in which case it could be an irreducible background

Teasers for futute meetings

8 GeV/c positive beam data



Summary

• number of detected photons

- this is an important number to take out of the beam test data
- preliminary average number of photons obtained
 - ⟨N⟩ = 23.62 ± 0.07
 - includes SiPM efficiency
 - assumes full detector acceptance
- several cross-check performed, must evaluate systematic uncertainty
- SiPM readout sees much more light than MAPMT-MAROC readout
 - a factor 2.2 larger

• fast Monte Carlo simulation

- very useful tool, generating simulation data at the speed of light
 - code compiled to run on NVIDIA GPU makes the trick
- excellent agreement between data and fast Monte Carlo
 - event-by-event quantities
 - further details of ring resolution and performance

this talk is only a microscopic fraction of the beam test results

The ePIC lab

DIFA, via Irnerio 46 stanza 126 (my office) will soon be transformed in laboratory



this is the current project for a change in layout and function of the room it will not be a office, it will be a lab with desk tables lab-oriented activities grid power





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AN AI STORE RECALL GPIB.ADOR

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the lab will not start empty, office is already full of boxes with equipment to be installed