

High rate time of flight system for FAIR-CBM



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- Introduction on FAIR and CBM-TOF
- Structure of CBM-TOF
- **Development of low resistive glass**
- Design of strip-MRPC and pad-MRPC
- Beam test @GSI and SPS
- Conclusions

The phase diagram of strongly interacting matter



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Layout of CBM detector





The structure of CBM-TOF wall





CBM-ToF Requirements

- > Full system time resolution $\sigma_T \sim 80$ ps
- Efficiency > 95 %
- ➢ Rate capability ≤ 30 kHz/cm²
- Polar angular range 2.5° 25°
- > Occupancy < 5 %</p>
- Low power electronics
 - (~100.000 channels)
- Free streaming data acquisition





Electronics & Readout chain





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TOF electronics





GET4



FPGA - TDC







Precision between two channels PADI X & GET4 V1.23







The voltage drop in the gas gap:

$$\overline{V}_{drop} = V_{ap} - \overline{V}_{gap} = \overline{IR} = \overline{q}\phi\rho d$$

The smaller the voltage drop, the higher efficiency and higher rate capability!

Two main ways to improve rate capability:

- Reducing bulky resistivity of electrode glass (CBM)
- Reducing the avalanche charge (ATLAS)

Other methods:

- Reducing the thickness of glass
- Warming the detector



Development of low resistive glass



Performance of the glass

Maximal dimension	$32 \mathrm{cm} imes 30 \mathrm{cm}$
Bulk resistivity	$10^{10} \ \Omega \mathrm{cm}$
Standard thickness	$0.7, 1.1 \mathrm{mm}$
Thickness uniformity	$20~\mu{ m m}$
Surface roughness	$< 10 \mathrm{nm}$
Dielectric constant	7.5 - 9.5
DC measurement	Ohmic bebavior
	stable up to 1 C/cm^2





Glass mass production Yield >100m²/month

> Online test system. The efficiency and time resolution can be obtained by cosmic ray while irradiated by Xrays. 0.1C/cm² charge is accumulated in 35 days.



Rate capability of high rate MRPC







Prototype design for CBM-TOF





- ✓ Symmetric two stack structure: 2 x 5 gas gaps
- ✓ Resistive electrodes: low resistivity glass
- ✓ Gap size: 140 µm thickness
- ✓ Active area 200 x 266 mm²
- ✓ Pitch=2.16 mm +2.03 mm = 4.19 mm
- Impedance matching:100 Omh differential



Design of strip-MRPC for high rate region



Glass: low resistive glass 0.7mm thick, 27cm x 25cm Strip: 27cm x 0.7cm, 0.3cm interval, 24 strips Gas gap: 8 x 0.25mm, two stacks Gas box: 600mm x 500mm x 72mm





Beam test @GSI, Oct.2014

Experimental Setup:



CBN

Beam test @ SPS Feb 2015





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Data analysis method



The data analysis is based on CBM ROOT, macro developed by **TOF Group**. Analysis Procedure: **3 Main Steps**.





Calibration method





Large signals arrive at discriminator threshold faster, leading to a dependence of measured time and amplitude of the analogue signal.

Amplification gain of PADI varies between each channel, which should be corrected out to get initial amplitude for time-walk correction.

Different cable length and electronic delay lead to the shifting of calculated center of different strip, influencing the position of hits.

Slower particles need a longer time to cross the distance between Dut and Mref, widen the time difference distribution.











Results of strip-MRPC









Performance of Inner zone-MRPC







CBM mile stones



CBM components	TDR	Start	Ready for	Ready
	approveu	production	Installation	
Micro Vertex Detector (MVD)	01.04.17	30.04.18	31.12.19	30.06.20
Silicon Tracking System (STS)	05.07.13	31.03.17	31.03.20	31.12.20
Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector (RICH)	07.01.14	31.12.16	31.12.19	31.12.20
Muon Detector (MUCH)	28.02.15	31.12.16	31.12.19	31.12.20
Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)	01.04.17	31.12.17	31.12.20	31.12.21
Time of Flight System (TOF)	30.04.15	01.01.17	31.12.19	31.12.20
Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)	31.12.16	30.06.18	31.12.19	31.12.20
Projectile Spectator Detector (PSD)	28.02.15	31.12.15	31.12.18	31.12.19
Dipol Magnet	01.10.13	30.06.17	31.12.19	30.06.20
Online Systems (DAQ and FLES)	31.12.17	30.06.18	30.06.19	31.12.19

CBM Phase-0 Exp: eTOF at STAR



Install, commission and use 10% of the CBM TOF modules, including the read-out chains at STAR, starting in 2019

CBM participating in RHIC Beam Energy BES-II in 2019-2020:

- Complementary to part of CBM's physics program: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3, 3.6, 3.9, 4,5, 7.7 \text{ GeV} (750 \le \mu_B \le 420 \text{ MeV})$ especially for *B*- & *s-hadrons* production and fluctuations





The rate of CBM-TOF reach 25kHz/cm2 Time resolution ~60ps Free running mode 120 square meters

- It will first used in STAR-eTOF
- Mini CBM will be set up soon!
- Participate FAIR Phase 0 experiments...



Structure of Mini CBM





Thanks for your attention !