Developement of a test stand for MAPMT series tests*

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The CBM Experiment

- Explore QCD phase diagram in the region of high net baryon densities and moderate temperatures using heavy ion collisions
- Energy range from 2 to 11 AGeV (Au + Au) at SIS100
- Explore the fireball with e.g. $\rho \ \rightarrow \ e^+e^-$
- The RICH is used to distinguish between electrons and pions
- Vertical splitted gaseous detector
- CO₂ used as a radiator (180 nm cutoff)
- Spherical mirrors project ring on photodetection plane
- Using HAMAMATSU H12700 as photodetector
- 55K Channels at 2.4 m²





The Motivation (for the H12700)

- Clear separable single photon peak with high gain
- High quantum efficiency using a blue enhanced "SBA"-cathode (>30% at peak)
- High collection efficiency (~90%)
- High effective area with high pixel resolution (64ch @ 2x2 in²)
- Low noise / low dark rate (<6.4 kHz)
- All these quantities are measurable with one single photon scan (except quantum efficiency)
- 1100pc were ordered with 50pc being delivered every month → Quality control needed





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The single photon scan

- Measurement principle
 - Triggered light-source emitting "single" photons
 - Leading photons to single point on MAPMT (e.g. optical fiber)
 - Checking for pulses in each channel of the MAPMT
 - Reference PMT needed
- Our setup
 - Pulsed LED 460 nm (~12kHz)
 - EPICS controlled XY-table
 - Self triggered nXYter ADC readout
 - Fully automated
 - 9h for 3+1 MAPMTs incl. cooldown and HV-scan



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The Test stand



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First results: Comparison H8500 to H12700

H12700-03

H8500-03



Efficiency Index:

Average efficiency in area above a certain threshold (depending on maximum-efficiency)

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First results: Homogeneity evolution of H12700 (I)



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First results: Homogeneity evolution of H12700 (II)

X-Projection

Y-Projection



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First results: H12700-Statistics (I)

PMT vs. Efficiency at 20%



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First results: H12700-Statistics (II)

PMT vs. Darkrate over the whole PMT



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First results: H12700-Statistics (III)

PMT vs. Skewness in x-direction



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Summary

- Currently 200 H12700 PMTs at Wuppertal
 - Out of which ~75 are currently measured
- If no severe problems occur the rest of the PMTs (~125) will be measured in $1\frac{1}{2}$ months
- First PMTs show a tilted efficiency plane which seems to be fixed for newer PMTs
- The fully automated test stand gives valuable and quick results



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