

Test of a 1 m² MICROMEGAS prototype in a muon beam

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- Gassiplex telescope

- Hardroc2 prototype

Analysis

- Collected triggers

- Event selection in telescope

- Hit selection in prototype

- Performance and errors

Results

- Noise probability

- Efficiency and multiplicity

- Effect of power-pulsing

Set-up

Detectors

- Telescope
 - 4 Gassiplex chambers
 - 3 scintillators
- 1 m² prototype
 - 4 ASUs with 24 HR2
 - 1 ASU with 24 HR2b



Trigger

- Coincidence PM
+ READY of 2 acquisitions
- Delay of 1 μ s to m²

Rates

- Beam: 150 GeV/c muons
100–500 kHz over 5×5 cm²
- Acq. rate $\sim$ 100 Hz

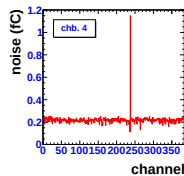
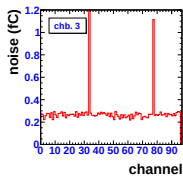
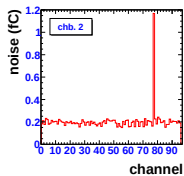
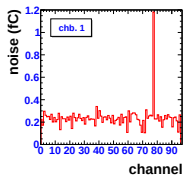
Gassiplex telescope (I)

Readout chain

1. pad
2. preamp-shaper
3. ADC-sequencer
4. PC-LabView

Low noise conditions

1. 0.24 ± 0.04 fC
2. 0.20 ± 0.02 fC
3. 0.27 ± 0.03 fC
4. 0.22 ± 0.02 fC



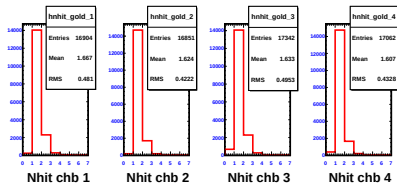
Gassiplex telescope (II)

Thresholds

- 1 threshold/channel
→ uniform noise proba.
- Hardware (VME) cut at 2σ
→ increase acq. rate

Performance

- Track finding algo.
→ remove noise hits
- Perf. compatible with previous measurements



chb.	thr. (fC)	€	m
1	0.48	98.5	1.19
2	0.40	98.8	1.14
3	0.54	96.0	1.18
4	0.44	97.6	1.14

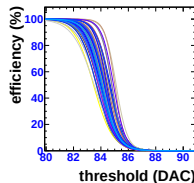
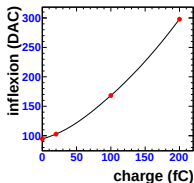
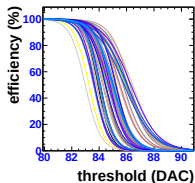
Hardroc2 prototype

Thresholds

- LAPP calibration:
→ Scurve & preamp. gain
- 1 channel: $thr \sim 6 \text{ fC}$ at 5σ
- 64 channels of a chip:
common DAC thr. → 12 fC

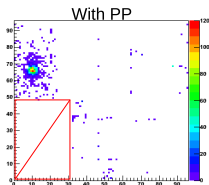
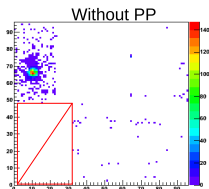
Pedestal alignment

- 10 % of signal shaped:
 $MPV \sim 2-3 \text{ fC}$
- Align Scurve:
tune indiv. preamp. gains
- HR2-HR2b → $12-6 \text{ fC}$



Collected triggers

- Beam on all ASUs
most data ASU-HR2b
- Run @ 420 V
 - 1 chip with $\neq$ *thr.*
 - 160 k triggers
- Run @ 410 V
 - 4 chips - fixed *thr./chip*
 - 400 k $\times$ 4 triggers
- Power-pulsing
 - 1 chip @ 410 V, fixed *thr.*
 - 20 k $\times$ 2 (ON/OFF)



Event selection in telescope

Track extrapolation

- 1 cm² segmentation
- 1 m separation

Hit pattern in m² prototype for various straight track positions in telescope

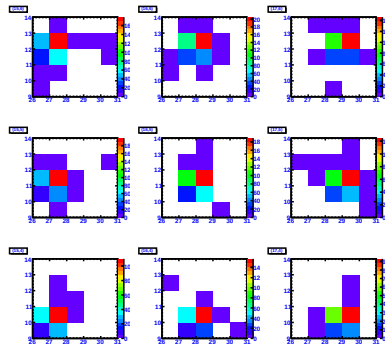
Also provide offset

Straight tracks

- Aligned $Q_{\max.}$ in $\neq$ chb.:
- $X_1 = X_4$ AND
($X_2 = X_4$ OR $X_3 = X_4$)

After selection

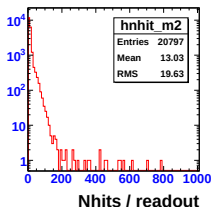
- ~ 60 % of all triggers
- Hits in m² fit in 3×3 cm²



Hit selection in prototype

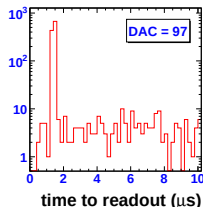
Number of hit/readout

- 127-event depth memory
→ possibly large N_{hit}
- Sparks, noise burst...
- Reject if more than 400 hits



Time of hits

- Hardroc2 & DIF provide
 - time of hits & readout
- Delay of 1 μs
 - Reject noise hits
 - Measure noise proba.



Performance

Efficiency ϵ

- Complement to 1 of proba. of no hits

Formulae

$$\epsilon = 1 - \epsilon_0$$

$$m = \sum_{i=1}^9 i \cdot \epsilon_i / \epsilon$$

Multiplicity m

- Weight sum of proba. of i hits ($i \neq 0$)

$$\epsilon_i = p_i / (1 - \eta) - p_{i-1} \cdot \eta / (1 - 2\eta)$$

$$p_i = N_i / N_t$$

$$\eta = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{t_1 - t_0} \sum_{t_0}^{t_1} N_t$$

Noise probability η

- Counts hits out of trigger

$$t_0 = 2 \mu s$$

$$t_1 = 80 \mu s$$

Errors

Probability p_i of i hits

- Measuring N_i in N_t trials
→ Binomial error

Probability η of noise hits

- Noise proba. is small
→ Poisson error

Formulae

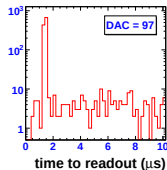
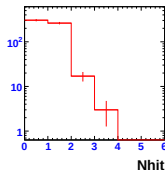
$$\sigma_{p_i}^2 = \sigma_{N_i}^2 / N_t = N_t(1 - p_i)p_i / N_t$$

$$\sigma_{\eta}^2 = \sqrt{\eta}$$

$$\sigma_{\epsilon_i}^2 = \dots (cf. tech. note)$$

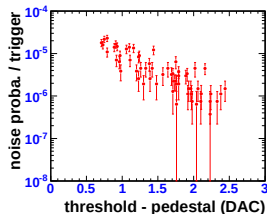
$$\sigma_{\epsilon}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{1-\eta} \right)^2 \sigma_{p_0}^2 + \left(\frac{p_0}{(1-\eta)^2} \right)^2 \sigma_{\eta}^2$$

$$\sigma_m^2 = \left(m \frac{\sigma_{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \right)^2 + \frac{k^2}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^9 \sigma_{\epsilon_i}^2$$

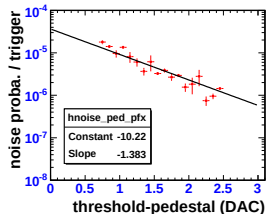


Noise probability

Proba. per channel



Profile along x-axis



- With global threshold just above pedestals
 $\eta \sim 10^{-5}$ for single channels
- In 3×3 pad regions $\eta \sim 10^{-4}$, compared to $\epsilon \sim 10^{-1}$
→ negligible contribution

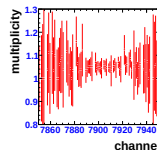
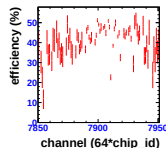
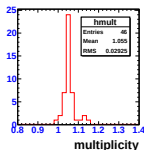
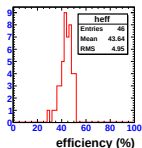
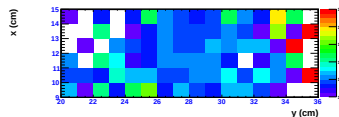
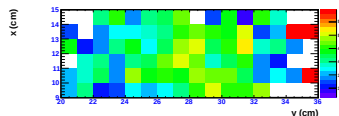
Efficiency and multiplicity - 420 V (I)

Run @ 420 V

- High gas gain (10^4)
- Low (thr): $\Delta\text{DAC} \sim 1-2$

Best performance

ϵ (%)	σ_ϵ (%)	m	σ_m
43.8	5	1.06	0.03



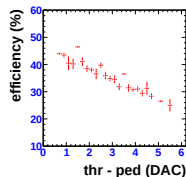
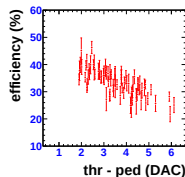
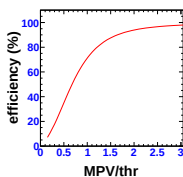
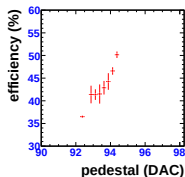
Trend with threshold - 420 V (II)

At DAC = 95

- 80 k triggers
- Gassiplex-like trend
→ $MPV/thr \sim 0.6$
- With MPV of 3 fC
→ effective $thr \sim 5$ fC

At DAC = 95,96,97,98

- 20 k triggers / DAC
- Different chip thr
→ difference thr -ped
- 25 % eff. drop
→ 5 fC thr variation



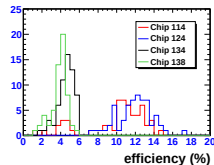
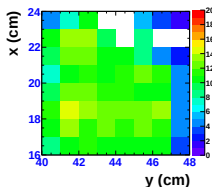
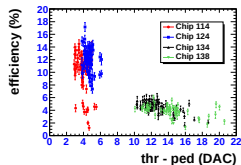
Efficiency and multiplicity - 410 V (I)

Trend with threshold

- Gassiplex compatible
- Chip 114
 - A few points off
 - On ASU edge
 - Noisy channels

Performance

chip	thr_{DAC}	ϵ	σ_{ϵ}	m
114	4	11.2	1.7	1.07
124	5	11.9	1.9	1.06
134	12	4.5	0.9	1.09
138	12	3.8	0.9	1.08



Effect of power-pulsing (I)

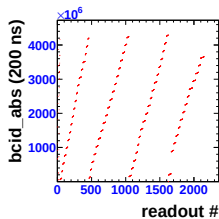
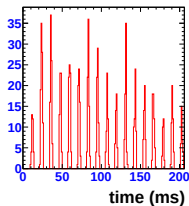
Conditions

- Pulse analog part all chips
 - 10/2 ms OFF/ON
 - about 7.5 A (all ASU)
 - VETO trigger when OFF
- Chip 124, 410 V

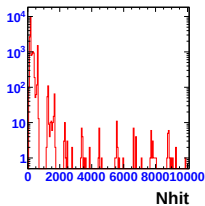
Observations

- Peaks in hit time
- Counter $\text{BCID}_{ABS'q}$ reseted!
- Burst of hits when switch on
Power stable after 15 μs

Time of hits - PP ON



Number of hit per RO - PP ON



Effect of power-pulsing (II)

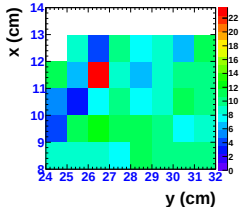
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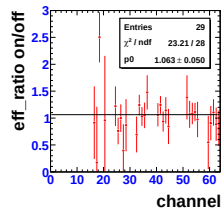
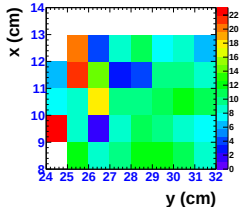
Efficiency

- Cutting on $\sigma_\epsilon \leq 5\%$
 - OFF: $(8.7 \pm 0.4)\%$
 - ON: $(9.3 \pm 0.6)\%$
 - Channel-to-channel ratio:
ON/OFF: $(1.06 \pm 0.5)\%$
 - → no significant effect

efficiency with power-pulsing OFF



efficiency with power-pulsing ON



Preliminary conclusions

Efficiency

- Decent performance achieved despite HR2 short shaping
 - Maximum efficiency of 40–45 %

Power pulsing

- Prototype operates in power-pulsing with 2/10 ms ON/OFF
 - Data suggest no effect on efficiency

Others

- Significant progress in hardware and off-line tools
 - Telescope, calculation method, analysis framework...
 - Useful for 2011 TB