Prototype Calibration

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Detector Performance

Status of the 1536 channels
Pedestals behaviour
PMT Gain
High / Low Amplification

Status: Very good performance, only 1 dead channel

Pedestals: wider than tb-2002 but stable



Gain: Only 2 LED runs in raw mode →1, 635 (HV=HV-50) (In addition, a very first LED run: 1001)



These values are used in the reconstruction



Gain distribution in the PMT plane



• The global spread is due to differences among kaptons and leads to very different dynamic ranges For example, a PMT with Gx5=200 has a d.r. of 95 p.e. . For Fe, hits with this number of p.e. are expected



Low gain PMTs together with PMTs of very high gain on the same kapton

Unnecessary high gain for all the PMTs on the same kapton



High / Low Amplification:

- •Using raw data, both readouts are available.
- •H/L factor could be obtained for each channel from these scatter plots.
- •The same factor is valid for all the dynamic range
- •H/L is not the same for all the pmt,s





These factors are known with very high accuracy As we have a value of H/L for each PMT, we can measure the error as the spread around this mean value.



Using a LED run with a smaller dynamic range the error is larger.

A wide dynamic range with small statistics (10%) is enough to reach an error smaller than 0.5%



In order to calibrate the amplification, runs with double redout (but only for fired channels) will be very useful. A high statistics is not necessary only data with a wide dynamic range.

Stability along the test beam

To calibrate the detector, LED and Pedestal runs are available



Bad channels:

Channel 655 (pm 40, px 15): no signal

Channels 95, 166, 147 negative pedestal (from run 524 to run 596)

PMT 10 and 23 double or negative pedestals (from run 524 to run 596)

The first kapton channels are not used from run 507 to run 523 (big pedestals movement to smaller values)

Pedestals:

- Appreciable pedestal movement
- Mostly during interventions: It is not observed either inside a run or when there is not intervention between pedestal and LED runs



? (pedestal) is obtained from the distribution of the pedestal shift. The mean value and the r.m.s. (error) are plotted for each run

During the time bound by green lines some channels presented problems (reported before) and the first kapton channels are not considered because of the large shift. From run 610 the first kapton pedestals came back close to the primitive values (run 510)

✤ All the channels move on the same direction



Gain:

✤ LED runs in raw mode agree within 2%



We have tried to use LED runs in reduced mode to calibrate the PMT

To test the fit method for reduced LED runs, the run 611 is converted to reduced mode applying a threshold on Pedestal +15 ADC





LED runs in reduced mode have a gain 5% larger than run 611

This variation is not appreciable in data runs

The information about pedestal position is missing in reduced mode and we know there are frequent pedestal movements

The calibration of LED runs in reduced mode is not used

Conclusions

- Very good detector performance
- Problems: Pedestal movement and very dificult gain monitoring (no LED runs in raw mode)
- For the future: Reduce the spread of gains among kaptons and HV lines, trying to reach a homogeneous dynamic range
- To monitorize H/L factor, "raw" data runs are prefered to the LED run because of their wider dynamic range