Study of detection efficiency distribution and areal homogeneity of SiPMs

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Future linear e⁺e⁻ collider experiments

- two future machines are in development
 - ILC, up to $\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV, (31 km length)
 - CLIC, up to $\sqrt{s} = 3$ TeV, (48 km length)
- physics program:
 - precision studies within standard model
 - search and study of physics beyond standard model
- these tasks require high jet energy resolution
- "particle flow" concept will be used to reconstruct the jets
- to meet these demands, highly granular ECAL and HCAL is needed
- ⇒ classical PMTs must be replaced by SiPMs



The International Large Detector (ILD)

 the CALICE test detector was built to study performance of the new calorimeter concept

Focus: HCAL

- 38 active layers interleaved with 2 cm stainless steel (tungsten) plates
- each active layer is assembled of combination 3×3, 6×6 and 12×12 cm²
 0.5 cm thick scintillator tiles coupled with a SiPM
- total 7608 channels



The CALICE prototype



1 m³ HCAL prototype

new scintillator concept



SiPM and scintillator size comparison

The CALICE prototype



one scintillator layer of the CALICE

new scintillator concept



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Advantages

- small dimensions (usually ~ 1×1 mm²)
- insensitivity to magnetic field
- low supply voltage (tens of volts)
- single photon counting capability
- high gain

Drawbacks

- low radiation tolerance
- high thermal noise rate (dark count)
- optical crosstalk
- afterpulsing

Ultimate goal of our study

Discovering of sensitivity distribution of a SiPM over its area and calculating further characteristics out of this data



- light from an LED is focused to a small point
- the LED is pulsed
- SiPM response is measured in coincidence with LED pulses
- the light beam is driven through pixel matrix in discrete steps
- a sensitivity scan of a 1 \times 1 mm² device with 1 μm step size can be completed in \sim 40 hours

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pure 1 p.e. map



integrated efficiency map



crosstalk probability map



Hamamatsu MPPC 50 µm pitch (CALICE type) study results

- detection efficiency patterns change with over-bias voltage negligibly
- geometrical fill-factor does not change with over-bias voltage
- edge breakdown observed, disappears with increasing over-bias voltage
- $\bullet\,$ much better performance in comparison with SensL SPMs and MPPC 25 μm pitch

quantity	value
PDE spread	8 %
fill-factor spread	11 %
crosstalk probability	18 %
geometrical fill-factor	55 %

Table: Hamamatsu 50 μm pitch (CALICE type) measured characteristics

Results: SiMPI (130 µm pitch)

no surface structures inside of a pixel \Rightarrow higher possible geometrical fill-factor



Measurements done at room temperature. Due to high dark count of 2nd iteration series, it would be better to cool the devices down.

Summary:

- detector systems for future linear e^+e^- colliders are in development
- future calorimeters will use scintillators coupled with SiPMs
- the SiPMs must be evaluated, understood and improved
- the sensitivity scan is a good tool for that

Achievements:

- setup for uniformity characterization of SiPMs has been developed
- measurement provides relative sensitivity and crosstalk probability map
- fill factor and other homogeneity measures can be determined
- successful tests of different devices have been done