



Scintillating Fibers for High Resolution Time Measurements?

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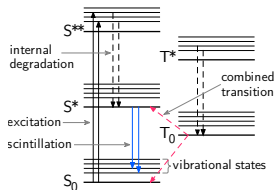
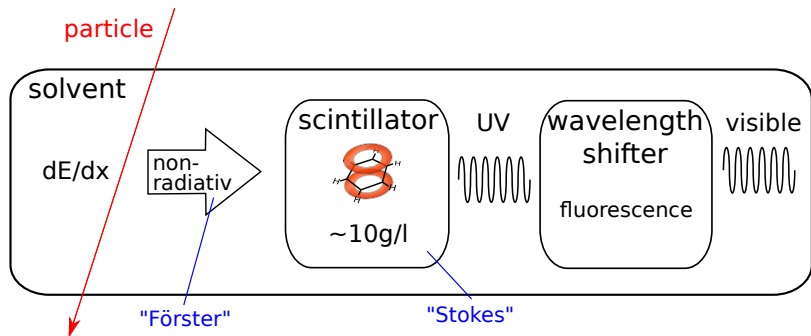
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Scintillation: Organic Plastic Scintillators

Polystyrene (PS) + dopants (scintillator, wavelength shifter)
or Polyvinyltoluene (PVT)

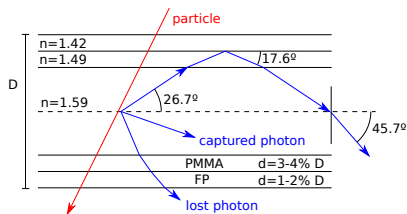


Stokes-shift
(decay not to S_0) makes
fibres transparent.

scintillation: $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ ns})$

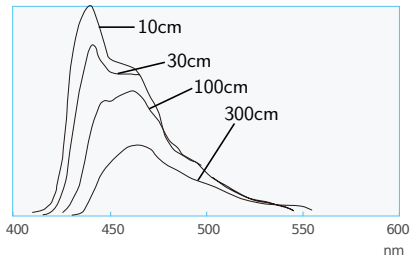
(Scintillating) Fibers

part	material	n
core:	polystyrene (PS)	1.59
cladding I:	polymethyl methacrylate "plexiglas" (PMMA)	1.49
cladding II:	fluorinated polymer (FP)	1.42



$$\Theta_{\text{total reflection}} = \arcsin\left(\frac{n_{\text{cladding}}}{n_{\text{core}}}\right)$$

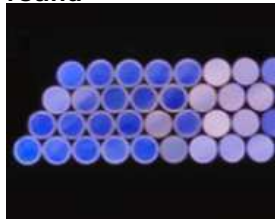
Kuraray: SCSF-81M



	Kuraray SCSF-81M	Saint-Gobain BCF-12
decay time [ns]	2.7	3.4
attenuation [m]	> 3.5	2.7
yield [phot/keV]	~ 8	~ 8

Scintillating Fibers

round



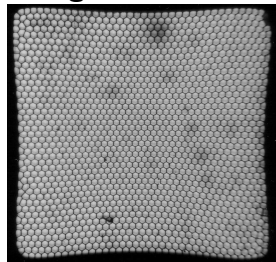
Mu3e prototype,
4 layers 250 μm .

squared



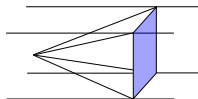
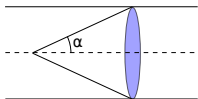
MEG II proposal:
“active target”.

hexagonal



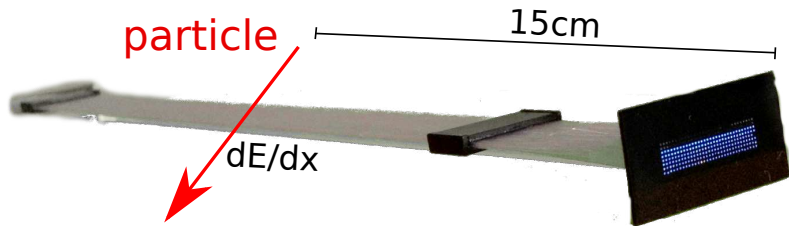
CERN RD7 1989,
bundle out of 60 μm .

$$\epsilon_{\text{capture}} \geq \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} d\varphi d\Theta$$



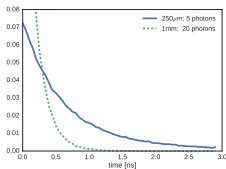
$\epsilon \geq$ [%]	cladding	
	single	double
round	3.1	5.4
square	4.4	7.3

Scintillating Fibres Summary



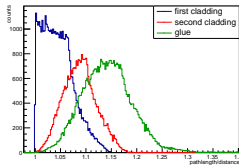
$\frac{dE}{dx}$ (160 MeV e^-)	d_{fibre}	yield	ϵ_{cap}	d_{att}	$\epsilon_{\text{detection}}$	
200 $\frac{\text{keV}}{\text{mm}}$	210 μm	$\sim 8 \frac{\text{ph}}{\text{keV}}$	5.4 %	95 %	30 %	≈ 5

photon statistics



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pathlength in fibres

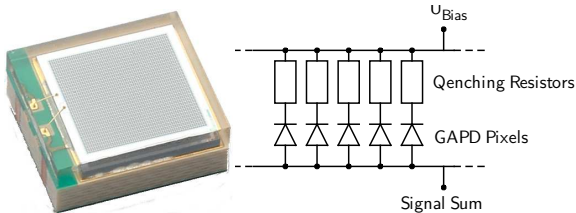


$$\text{PDE} \approx \exp\left(-t \cdot (\tau/n)^{-1}\right)$$

$$\text{PDE: "flat"} : d_{\text{hit-det}} \cdot 12\% \cdot \left(\frac{\epsilon}{n}\right)^{-1} \approx 7 \text{ ps} \cdot d[\text{cm}]$$

Silicon Photomultipliers

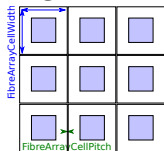
Arrays of avalanche photo diodes (APD) in Geiger mode.



- gain up to 10^8
- photon detection efficiency 30 – 50%
- moderate HV, compact, B-field resistant
- dark counts $\mathcal{O}(\text{MHz})$

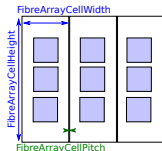
pixel: 10-100 μm , sensors: 1-6 mm, arrays ...

Single



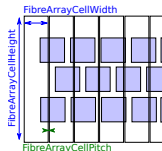
- most information
- fan-out needed
- max channels

Fan-Out & Columns



- collect more light in the same cells
- optimization on event structure

Columns



- easy: no fan-out
- granularity of SiPM \sim fibres

The Mu3e Experiment

AN EXPERIMENT SEARCHING FOR THE LEPTON FLAVOUR VIOLATING DECAY

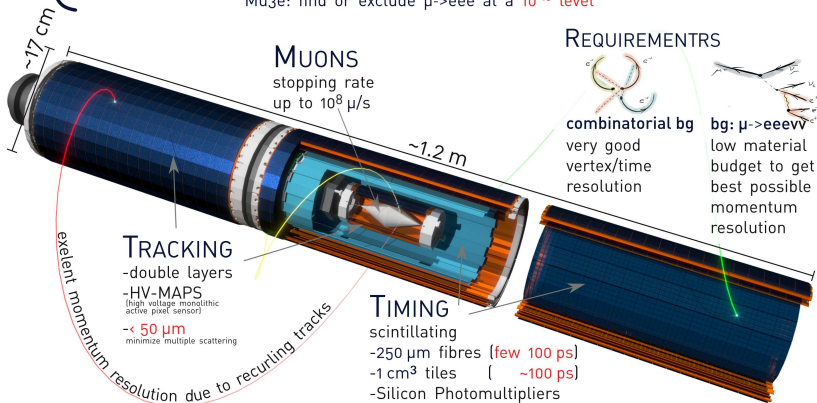


$BR_{SM} \ll 10^{-50}$

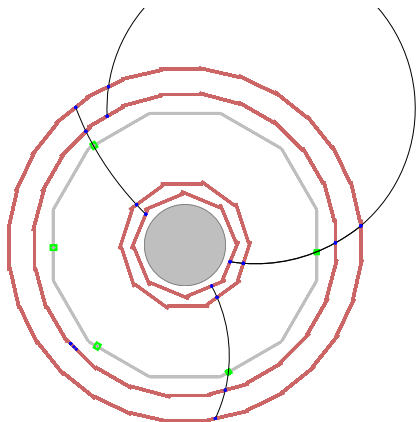
Any observation is a sign for new physics.

$B(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 1.0 \cdot 10^{-12}$ (SINDRUM, 1988)

Mu3e: find or exclude $\mu \rightarrow eee$ at a 10^{-16} level



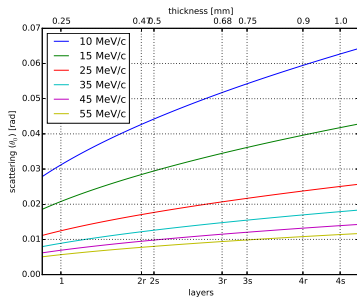
Mu3e: Scintillating Fibres for Timing



Requirements

- high track efficiency ($\sim 99\%$)
- excellent timing ($< 1\text{ ns}$)
- low material budget ($X/X_0 \leq 0.5\%$)
- moderate granularity

Multiple Coulomb Scattering



Used Fibre Configuration

- 3-4 fibre-layers
- catch first photons (both sides)
- readout outside of acceptance
- 250 μm fibres, SiPM columns

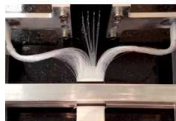
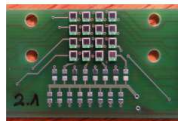
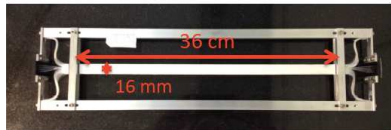
Prototypes (4 layers, 250 μm)

Squared Fibres (PSI)



50 cm long fibres
additional Al coating
Saint Gobain BCF-12
Hamamatsu S13360-1350CS

Round Fibres (GE, ZH)



36 cm long fibres
optional TiO_2 in glue
Kuraray SCSF-81M
Hamamatsu S12571-050P

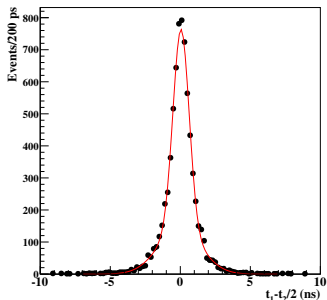
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SiPM column arrays (LHCb)



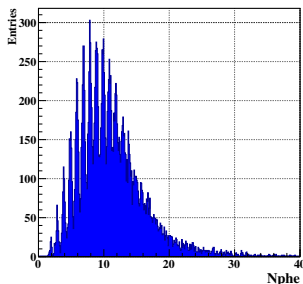
Square Results

Time Resolution



$$\sigma = (t_l - t_r)/2 = 700 \text{ ps}$$

Number of Photons:



Summed photons from both sides.

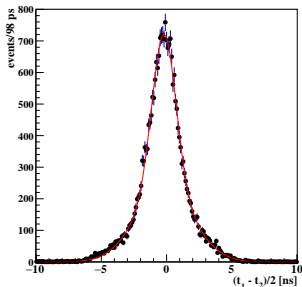
Efficiency:

ϵ_{single} [%]	OR	AND
0.5 phe	97	71
1.5 phe	79	34

ϵ_{triple} [%]	OR	AND
0.5 phe	>99	95
1.5 phe	97	67

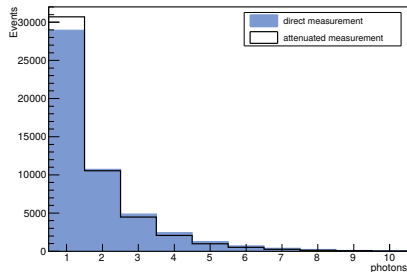
Round Results

Time Resolution



$$\sigma = (t_l - t_r)/2 = 1.0 \text{ ns}$$

Number of Photons:



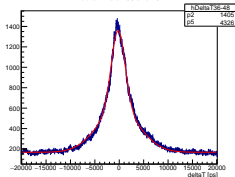
One side, different distances
(6.5 cm and 49.5 cm).

Efficiency:

$\epsilon_{\text{single}} [\%]$	OR	AND
0.5 phe	65 ± 9	70*
1.5 phe	90*	

*SPS proton data

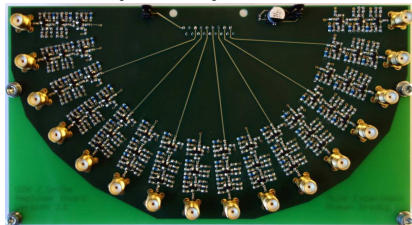
SiPM column array and STiC



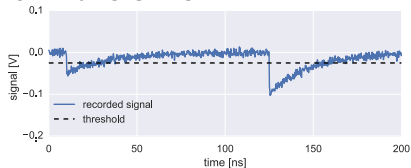
$$\sigma = (t_l - t_r)/\sqrt{2} = 1.0 \text{ ns}$$

Readout: pre-amplifiers & DRS4 evaluation (PSI)

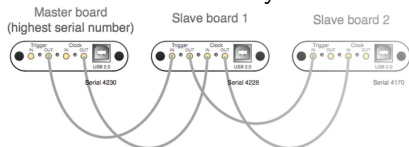
Custom pre-amplifiers



full waveforms



up to 8 **DRS4 v5** 4-channel
evaluation board daisy chain

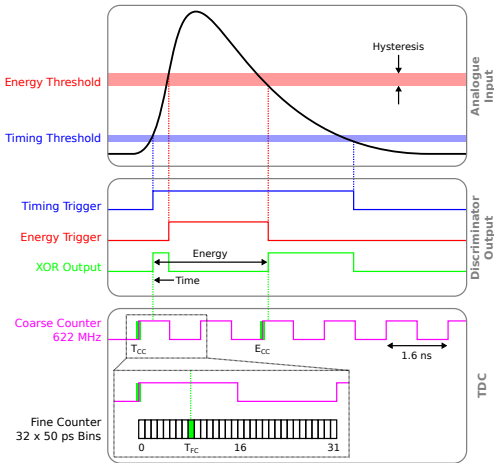


- 5 Gbps, up to 2048 values
- common trigger
- DAQ: $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ Hz})$
- jitter per board $\approx 130 \text{ ps}$

Many more:

VME TDC, QDC; STiC, TOFASIC, NINO*, PETA*, KLausS, TRIROC, ...

Readout ASIC: STiC/MuSTiC (KIP Heidelberg)



fibre detectors: timing threshold

STiC3.1 available

64 chs, max 2.6 Mevents/s/chip

used DAQ: 700 kevents/s/chip

- jitter: $\mathcal{O}(30 \text{ ps})$

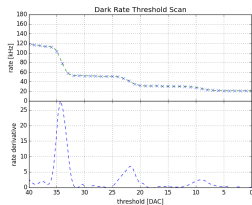
- self triggering

MuTRiG development

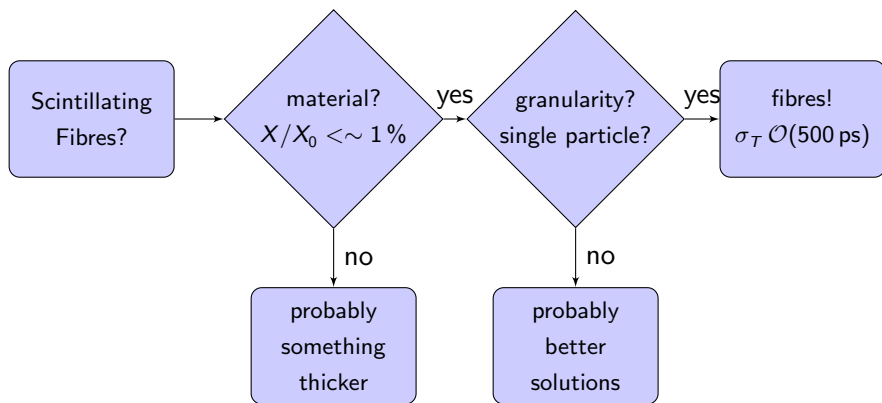
32 chs, max 1.1 Mevents/s/ch

+ external trigger

operation only with timing threshold



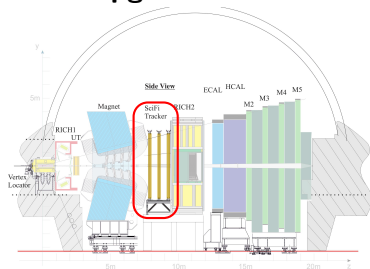
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Appendix

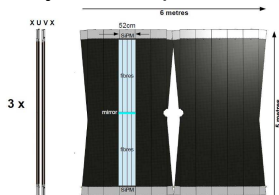
Scintillating Fibre Trackers

LHCb upgrade



LHCb tracker upgrade TDR.

6 layers: 250 μm fibres



NA61/Shine

fixed target experiment
tracking of incoming beam

configuration	resolution σ_x	ϵ
single layer	$\sim 130 \mu\text{m}$	90 %
5 layers	$\sim 160 \mu\text{m}$	95 %

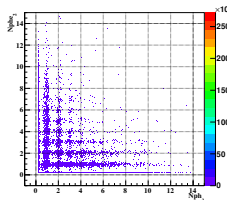
common

- high hit efficiency ($\sim 99\%$)
- low material budget ($x/x_0 \leq 1\%$)
- readout outside of acceptance
- tracking – high granularity
- time resolution: resolve bunch (25 ns)

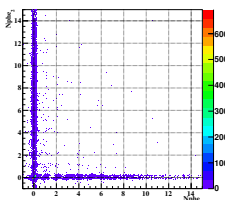
Crosstalk

Al coating

no additional Al



with additional Al



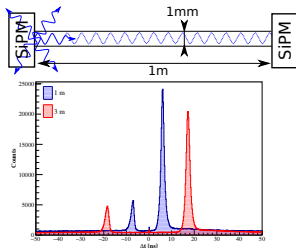
- significant cross-talk reduction
- $\sim 60\%$ yield increase (diffuse)

material	n	light loss	
		bare	Al
optical cement	1.56	$\sim 40\%$	$\leq 1\%$
Araldite rapid	~ 1.5	$\sim 30\%$	$\leq 1\%$
optical grease	1.465	$\sim 20\%$	$\leq 1\%$

TiO₂ in glue

- crosstalk-reduction (ribbon dependent)
- 10-20 % yield increase (diffuse)
- $\sim 10\%$ cluster size reduction

Fibre mediate dark counts



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