Characterization of SiPMs

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SIFIT

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PDE vs. Uover











Spectral Sensitivity









Scale to max. PDE value measured at 633nm



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Uniformity Scans

Setup



- Move spot over SiPM surface
- QDC readout (30ns gate) 10,000 events per geom. position
- $3\mu m$ step size \Rightarrow 123,000 positions
- Total time $(I \times Imm^2)$: $\approx I00h$



Single Pixel Spectrum



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MPPC 100 pixels

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- High uniformity in sensitivity and gain
- Cross-talk shows strong position dependence



MPPC 400 pixels

15



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MPPC 1600 pixels



16

x [mm]

Photon Counting Resolution

Combining the results of PDE, dark-rate, cross-talk and after-pulse measurements



Summary

- Test stand for SiPM measurements has been established
- Complete characterization
- Dark-rate, cross-talk, after-pulse prob.
- Temperature dependence
- Photon detection efficiency (350 1000nm)
- Photon counting resolution
- Uniformity scans

Backup

Photon Counting

PDE (binomial)

$$B_{PDE}(N_{PDE}) = \binom{N_{\gamma}}{N_{PDE}} PDE^{N_{PDE}} \cdot (1 - PDE)^{N_{\gamma} - N_{PDE}}$$

 $\langle N_{PDE} \rangle = N_{\gamma} \cdot PDE \qquad \sigma_{N_{PDE}} = \sqrt{N_{\gamma} \cdot PDE(1 - PDE)}$

Cross-talk, after-pulses (binomial)

$$\sigma_{N_{CT}} = \sqrt{(\langle N_{PDE} \rangle + \langle N_{DR} \rangle) \cdot P_{CT}(1 - P_{CT})}$$

$$\sigma_{N_{AP}} = \sqrt{(\langle N_{PDE} \rangle + \langle N_{DR} \rangle) \cdot P_{AP}(1 - P_{AP})}$$

$$\langle N_{DR} \rangle = DR \cdot \Delta t$$
$$\sigma_{N_{DR}} = \sqrt{DR \cdot \Delta t}$$

Δt=300ns

$$\frac{\sigma_{N_{\gamma}}}{N_{\gamma}} = \frac{\sigma_{N_{Signal}}}{N_{\gamma} \cdot PDE} = \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_{N_{PDE}}^2 + \sigma_{N_{CT}}^2 + \sigma_{N_{AP}}^2 + \sigma_{N_{DR}}^2}}{N_{\gamma} \cdot PDE}$$

Measurement of Power-ratio R (Ø=0.6mm aperture)



Dark-rate Correction

The number of photoelectrons needs to be corrected for the dark-rate.

→ Acquire dark-rate spectrum at each voltage value.

Correction factor α :

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \cdot N_{ped}^{dark} &= N_{ped}^{dark*} \stackrel{!}{=} N_{tot}^{dark} \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{N_{tot}^{dark}}{N_{ped}^{dark}} \end{aligned}$$



$$n_{pe} = -ln\left(\frac{\alpha \cdot N_{ped}}{N_{tot}}\right) = -ln\left(\frac{N_{ped}}{N_{tot}}\right) + ln\left(\frac{N_{ped}^{dark}}{N_{ped}^{dark}}\right)$$

SiPM Positioning

- All light should hit the active SiPM-Surface.
- Ø=0.6mm aperture was used for measurements with pulsed laserdiodes.
- Plateau on top allows reproducible positioning at maximum.



