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Production and Performance of mPMT Modules for the Water Cherenkov Test Experiment

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The Hyper-K experiment employs a near detector to measure and study neutrino interactions approximately 1 km downstream from the production point, where the oscillation effect is negligible. This detector is known as the Intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector (IWCD). A new detector technology called the multi-PMT (mPMT) has been developed due to its better timing and spatial resolution compared to the 20-inch Photomultiplier Tubes (PMTs) used in the Super-Kamiokande or Hyper-Kamiokande (Hyper-K) experiments. Hyper-K and IWCD will utilise mPMTs as their primary photon detection systems. Currently, the Water Cherenkov Test Experiment (WCTE) with a 40-ton water tank is under construction at CERN and will serve as a testbed for the IWCD. An mPMT optical module - a water-tight vessel containing 19 3-inch PMTs with readout electronics, offers several advantages, including enhanced granularity, weak sensitivity to Earth's magnetic field, and more. A total of 100 mPMTs have been produced for use in WCTE, and based on their performance, approximately 300 additional mPMTs will be produced for constructing these mPMT modules, along with comprehensive information about the mechanical and electronic components used. Additionally, we will present a production summary of the mPMTs for WCTE and discuss the challenges encountered and how they were overcome during development.

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