Irradiation tests at GIF++ on ATLAS-NSW MM production modules SM1 M#4 [Italy] & SM2 M#5 [Germany]

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Setup / goal @ GIF++

- Making sure humidity was controlled and known
- Chamber was well characterized before being exposed to irradiation
 - @ CS and @ Preparation zone just outside GIF++
- Serial Gas flow [SM1 ⇔ SM2], 5-20 L/h, Ar:CO2 (93:7)
- Not an ageing study, focus is on HV stability
- Never exceeded the HV maximum [i.e. 580 V] Muon Week Oct 2018 https://indico.cern.ch/event/761784/contributions/3183298/attachments/1739026/28135 58/Cleaning_HV_TF_Document.pdf
- limit voltages to established operating regime 560 580V

GOAL → Check for anomalous increase in current when switching on irradiation, and/or abnormal increase in spark rate

→ Verify current return to pre-irradiation levels with source off

Typical setup @ the GIF++ bunker

high number of users
[ALICE, CMS...]
→ demand from users varies i.e.
attenuation level, distance from source, shadowing, services...

→ A big thanks to the M. Jäkel,
 G. Pezzullo and the entire GIF++
 community in letting us being
 "prime user" during that time.





Different config during 4 weeks within the GIF++ bunker







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SM1 / LM1 Quads

L1=Eta_Out (1)

L2=Eta_In (2)

• L3=Stereo_In (1)

L4=Stereo_Out (2)

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SM2 / LM2 Quads



L3 (STEREO 1) – Spacer frame side L3R8 L3L8 Alignment Pin

L3L7

L3L6

L3R7

L3R6



• L2=Eta_In (2)

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- L3=Stereo_In (1)
- L4=Stereo_Out (2) •

L1=Eta_Out (1)

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of ~90% copper / stainless steel







Perfect behaviour of MOST of the HV Sections

SM1 L1L1 (small section)

SM2 L4R8 (largest section)



(rates [kHz/cm²] are rough estimates)

SM1 @ 1.4m from the source ; SM2 @ 2.0 m

DISCHARGES (on only few sections)

SM1 – L4R2

SM1 – L1L5



- Very low frequency (depends on HV Sections)
- Very high charge/current (several μA)
- Duration few sec. Exceptionally up to 30 sec
- Not clear how it scales with irradiation intensity
 - \circ $\,$ Negligible frequency at low irradiation $\,$
 - Develop "discharge trains" from time to time.



Nov. 26th Test SM1 and SM2 at 580 V -- Att. 4.6 → SM1 at 20 kHz/cm² – SM2: 4 kHz/cm²



SM1 at 580 V

- 2 Sections at reduced HV.
- 2 sections with sudden increase of current



SM2 at 580 V

• 4 Sections at reduced HV.

Linearity of currents/gain Vs Irradiation rates (inverse of attenuation) - SM2 570 V @ 10L/h



Linearity of currents/gain Vs Irradiation rates (inverse of attenuation) - SM1 570 V @ 10L/h



SM1-SM2 main results

- both chambers stable at 560-570-580 V with few spiky channels
- tested at high rates:
 - \rightarrow both at rate > 60 kHz/cm2
 - → SM2: 34/40 very good sectors (no spikes)
 - → SM1: 19/24 very good sectors (no spikes)
- uniform currents: std dev per layer < 10% for both SM1 and SM2
- dark current stability below the resolution of HV cards



Strong Dependence of gain/currents Vs Gas flow

Investigating chamber gas leaks meas. done on the 21 Nov 2018 in the bunker

- SM2 leak 2xNSW_LIMIT at LMU and confirmed at GIF
 - QL = 55 mL/h --> 2.1 x Acceptance Limit (Acceptance Limit: 25.9 mL/h)
- SM1 leak ~2.5 x NSW_LIMIT at Frascati
 - QL = 23mL/h (Acceptance Limit: 23.3 mL/h)

Investigation underway as a few issues happened and will be shared soon



- SM1 M#4 and SM2 M#5 tested at the GIF++
 - clean and linear response to the irradiation
- 21/24 and 35/40 good channels
- Recovering « difficult channels » after irradiation...
- Tested up to high particle fluxes: very clean response, very few « spiky » channels
- Very good **stability** (tested up to 48 hours during each WE @ attenuation 6.9), only few tripped
- Still preliminary results
- Investigations on the gas flow contribution to efficiency
- SM1 and SM2 tested at 580 V with very good results

FUTURE PLANS AT GIF++ for ATLAS-NSW

- Some upgrade for our working env. will be performed
- GIF++ bunker is going to be upgraded "floor plan wise" with the addition of ~100 sq.meters upstream

[planning is April / May 2018]

- Long term irradiation on a production module is foreseen
- By sampling, a fraction of production modules is projected to be tested at GIF.
 A universal trolley to accommodate two modules independently of any type
 - the first "n" modules per construction site should be tested then it could become a random pick
 - \circ Time estimatation to test any type of 2 modules is one week