Upgrade of the NA61/SHINE TOF system based on a MRPCs for the NICA experiments

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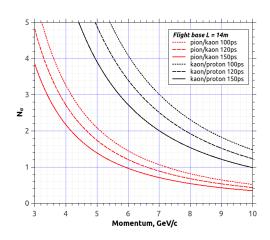
Old NA61/SHINE TOF-LR system



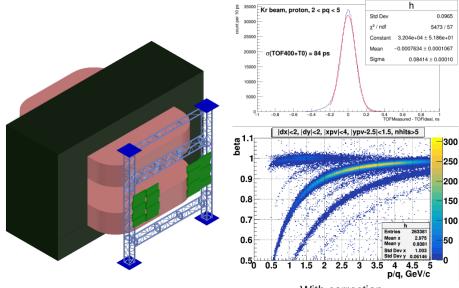
- TOF-L (JINR contribution) put into operation in 1995-96
- Time resolution: \sim 75 ps

Requirements for the new TOF-LR system

- high efficiency (> 95%);
- excellent intrinsic time resolution (< 75 ps);
- high granularity in order to keep the overall system occupancy below 10%;
- good position resolution to provide effective matching of the TOF hits with the Time-Projection Chambers (TPCs) tracks;
- low power dissipation in close proximity to TPCs.

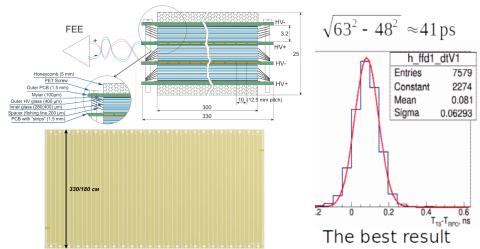


BM@N TOF400 overview

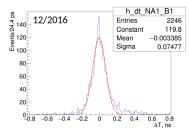


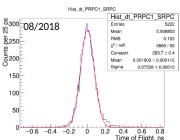
With correction.
Time resolution ~ 100 ps

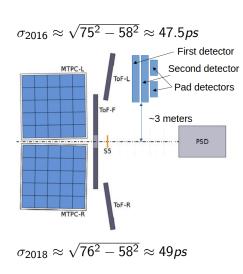
Triple-stack MRPC with strip readout (600x300/150 mm)



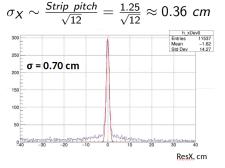
The wide MRPC is completely identical to BM@N-type TOF400 detector.

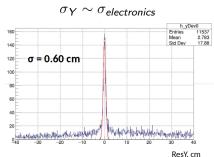




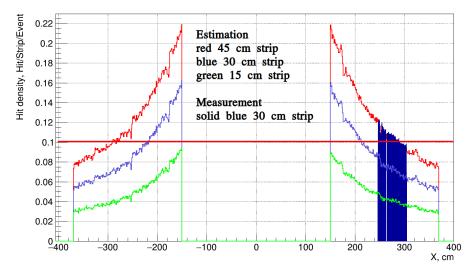


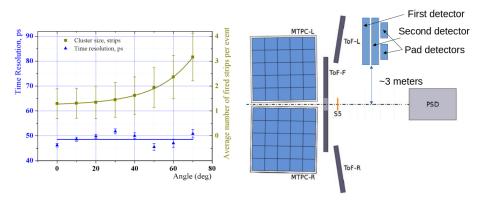
Matching of TPC tracks to MRPC hits with NINO electronics



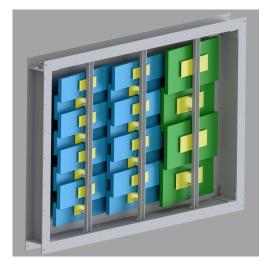


Occupancy estimation in Pb+Pb 158A GeV/c collision

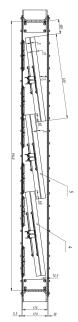




Detector engineering design / Concept

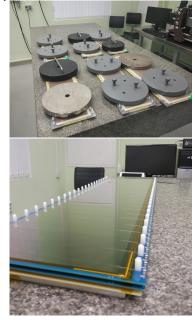


Manufacturing by "ATOM" at Dubna



Intersection with MPD mass production

- The MPD is a main priority for mass production area
- Small number of detectors for one wall (28/300). A 4w/28 are ready.
- Different technology of glass painting
- Different electronics
- Different soldering operation
- Materials are being prepared



Front-end & readout electronics

A DRS4 boards based system was considered as an optimal readout, which required new analogue front-end electronics.

Analogue amplifier

Under R&D by
 V.Terechschenko (DLNP)

DRS4 module

- Custom DRS4 boards developed at University of Geneva
- Each board features 4 DRS chips,
 32 analog channels in total
- 12 bit ADC is used



Gas system

Gas system will be prodused by CERN EP-DT-FS/Gas Team (Roberto Guida)

Gas system requirements:

- Total volume -1 m^3
- Number of modules − 2
- \bullet Gas mixture $\underline{C_2H_2F_4}$ / i-C_4H_{10} / SF_6 (90%/5%/5%) or $\underline{N_2}$
- Volume exchange/day $-\sim 7$
- Total flow rate 300 nl/h
- Fresh gas flow rate − 3 nl/h
- Working pressure < 3 5 mbar
- Tolerable O² content − 200 ppm
- Tolerable H²O content − 100 ppm

Power supplies

HV system requirements:

- Minimum number of differential \pm channels: 24 (40 det)
- Total current through the whole system (\sim 5 μ A) (150 nA wide)(75 nA narrow)
- Precision of the current monitoring: \sim 10 nA
- Multichannel structure
- Remote control
- Additional HV split up system

LV system is under design



Conclusion

- Upgrade of NA61/SHINE TOF system is progressing on schedule.
- BM@N-type MRPCs were tested and requested parameters were reached.
- Detectors production for NA61/SHINE established.
- DRS4 boards are suitable for data taking but new algorithms and front-end electronics are needed.
- R&D of new analogue electronics as well as LV system are under way.
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Thanks you and welcome!