

Detection efficiency of the X-ARAPUCA

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Time projection chamber (single phase)









Photo detection



- Fast (7 ns) and slower (≈1500 ns) components, corresponding to single and triplet states of excited molecule
- Argon scintillation light is very abundant (40 k photons/MeV)
- Need wavelength shifter (TPB, PEN) to shift VUV to visible
- Several technology options under consideration (PMTs, SiPMs....)
- Provides timing and event reconstruction
- Complementary to charge readout



Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)





Free-standing steel cryostat





Two single-phase detectors



- 150 Anode Plane Assemblies (APA) per detector
 - Cold electronics 384,000 channels
- Cathode planes (CPA) at 180 kV
 - 3.6 m max drift length





Photo-detection system





X-ARAPUCA(X-A) - The improvement of ARAPUCA (S-A)





LAr test of X-ARAPUCA



Test of X-ARAPUCA single and double sided





Vacuum flux diagram





Calibration

A vacuum tight optical feed-through was installed in the system which brought the flashes of a pulsed LED inside the stainless-steel cylinder.



• LED configuration was chosen to maximize the number of photo- electrons first peak.

- Vcc = 3V, Width = 100 ns, Frequency = 1 kHz
- Pre amplification of 10 times was necessary to calibrate.



Calibration: Cross-talk



• We assume a Poisson distribution:

$$P(k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

 $SPhe'_{charge} = SPhe_{charge} \times CT$

 $\label{eq:CT} \begin{array}{l} \mathsf{CT} = 2.6 \text{ avalanches/photons} \\ \mathsf{at} \ 47.5 \ \mathsf{V} \end{array}$



LAr purity - Mean signal analysis



X-ARAPUCA single sided

X-ARAPUCA double sided

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Conclusions

- The first LAr test of X-ARAPUCA single and double sided prototypes have been performed in the cryogenic facility of the Lab. Leptons of UNICAMP
- Both prototypes were exposed to a well known alpha source
 - Comparing the number of detected photons with the number of photons impinging on the X-ARAPUCA provides an estimate the global photon collection efficiency of the device as 3.5 ± 0.5%.
 - For the **double-sided** version of the **X-ARAPUCA**, the global detection efficiency was found to be only **10% less than the single sided** version.



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