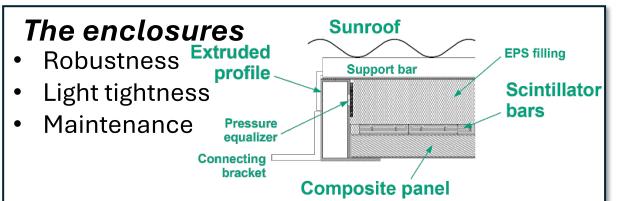
AugerPrime Scintillator Surface Detector OPERATIONS READINESS REVIEW The Detector

SSD: The Scintillator Surface Detector Light collected by optical fibers Two panels of extruded scintillator of 120 cm X 160 cm Large dynamic PMT Ν Aluminum Enclosure Calorimetric Particles Counting thanks to online calibration. Pichi Peni Uhe (HV 850V) 240 | χ^2 / ndf = 68.43 / 22 220 F 222.4 ± 4.6 Constant 200 180 48.09 ± 0.53 Mean 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 Sigma 17.23 ± 0.36 Tot. Charge N. Particles= **MIP Charge** 2 120 Charge (Me)

SSD: The Scintillator Surface Detector

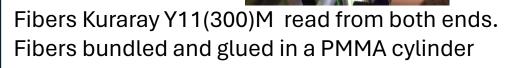


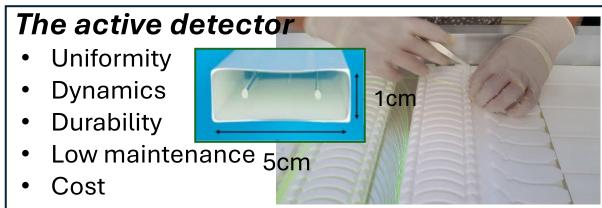
Combination of aluminum bars and composite panel. Two separated volumes

PMT easily to extract.

The active detector

- Uniformity
- Dynamics
- Durability
- Low maintenance
- Cost





Plastic extruded scintillator with holes. Optical fibers to collect the light Foam "routers" for easily assembling and robustness

Light collection

- Large dynamics
- Easily maintenance
- Stability



Hamamatsu R9420 eight-stage dynode linear up to 120 mA with modest gain of 5.0X10⁵

AugerPrime Scintillator Surface Detector OPERATIONS READINESS REVIEW The Status

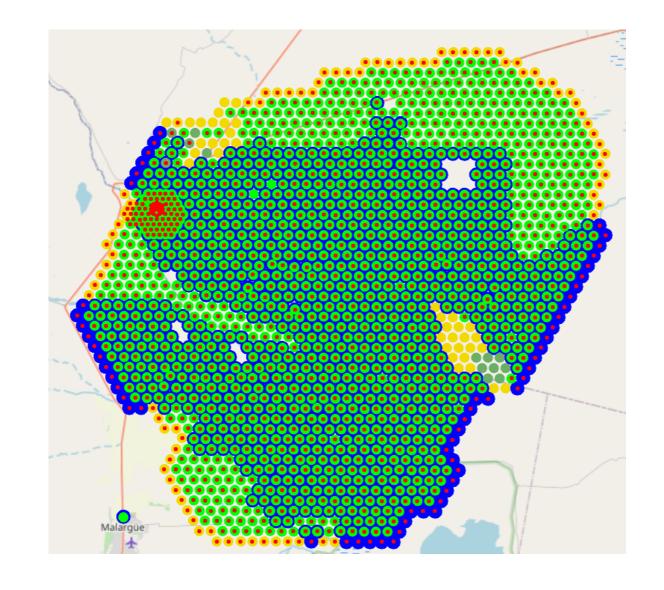
Components: Almost Yes.

1518/1519 detectors produced1471 detectors deployed1460 detectors with PMT installedStill two regions not completed. (23 detectors)

7 Detectors with problems.

- 4 production problems (not deployed)
 - 3 fixed: March 2023
- 1 damaged during shipping (not deployed)
- 1 fire problem in the field (removed)
- 1 water problem in the field (removed)

17 spare detectors + 3 fixed.



Components: Almost Yes.

PMTs problems mainly production:

- 9 PMTs fault during installation (production)
- 1 PMT removed for water problem
- 1 PMT has to be removed for lightning strike.
- 20 PMTs in the field with problems
 - > 12 not working since 1° day (production)
 - ➢ 6 stop to work after at least 10 days

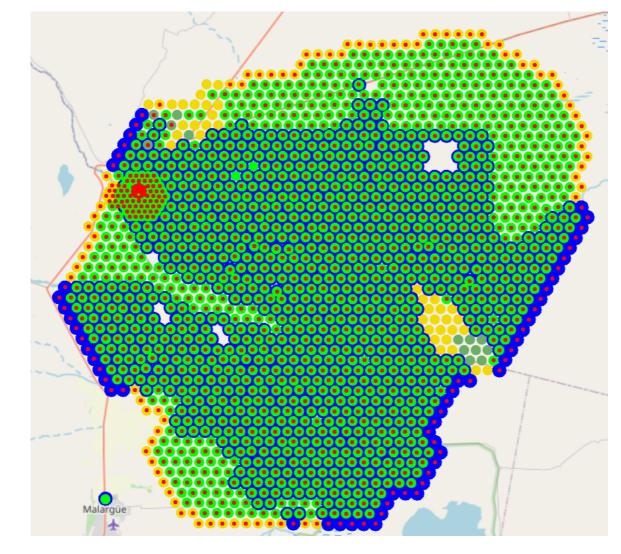
1580 PMTs shipped to Malargue 1460 PMTs in the field (23 stations need PMTs)

PMTs with production problems 21

- > 9 PMTs fault during installation
- 12 installed but not working

PMTs fault in the field 10

- > 2 for external reasons
- ➢ 6 (check need)



Spare PMTs at Malargue 66 (....)

Components: Almost Yes.

Cable protection problem:



Sewing thread is not UV resistant, so it breaks

A temporary solution: use UV-resistant zip ties to keep the jackets closed

Possible alternatives identified, but not available in Argentina – work in progress









New cable protection installed in few SD



Components: Almost Yes.

Aging test in specialized laboratory in Lecce.

Reproduced the damage due to combination of temperature change and UV exposure in the lab.



The string is destroyed after an equivalent time of exposure 10.2 months at Malargue with an uncertainty of 20%. This result is well in agreement with the experimental evidence in the field.

The new tube lost its mechanical property in a time 10 times longer.

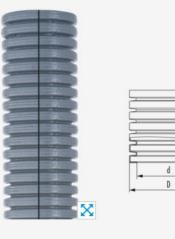
Tube protections for all the detectors have to be shipped to Malargue.

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Cable glands > Products > Cable Protection Systems > Plastic Conduits > Polyamide con	duit Slit → Po
1.527.2900.00 Polyamide conduit	Slit

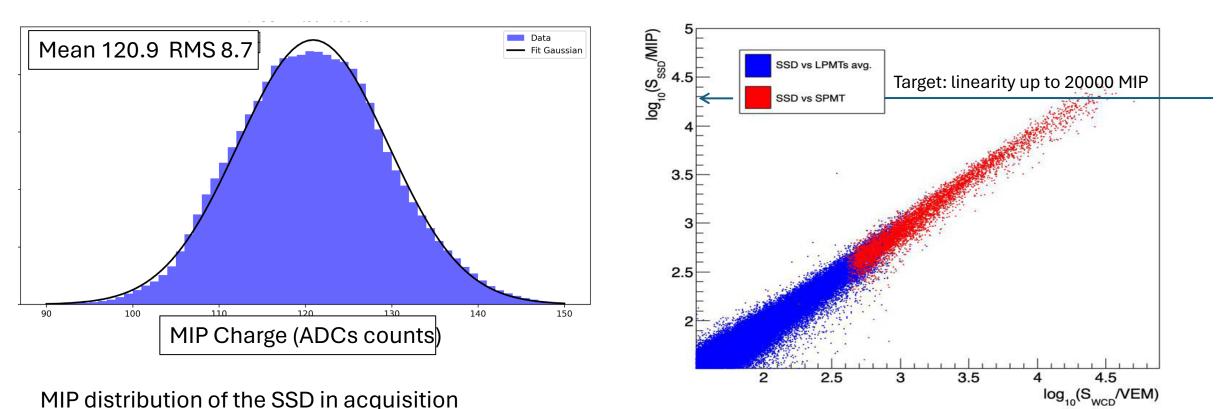
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grey	Minimum bond	
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// Raw material according to UL94



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Operation and performance: Yes.

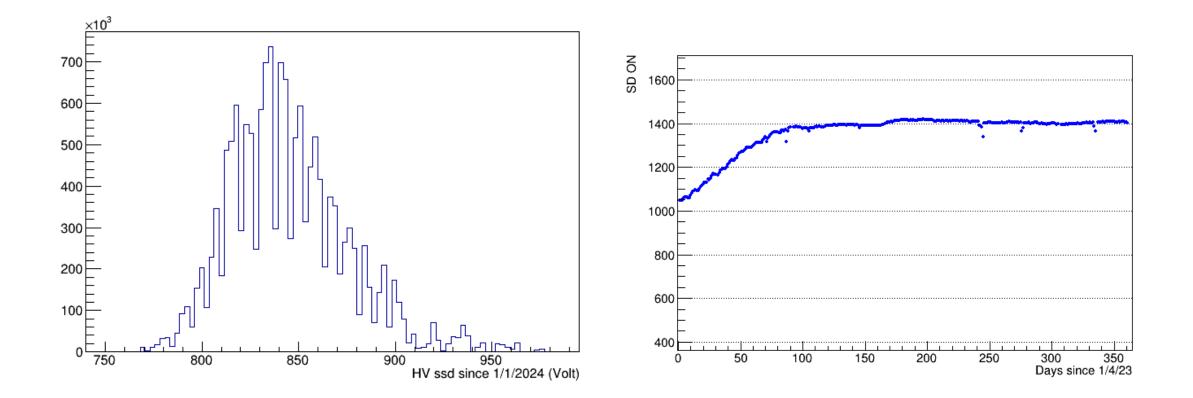


MIP distribution of the SSD in acquisition

SSD linearity check with WCD and sPMT

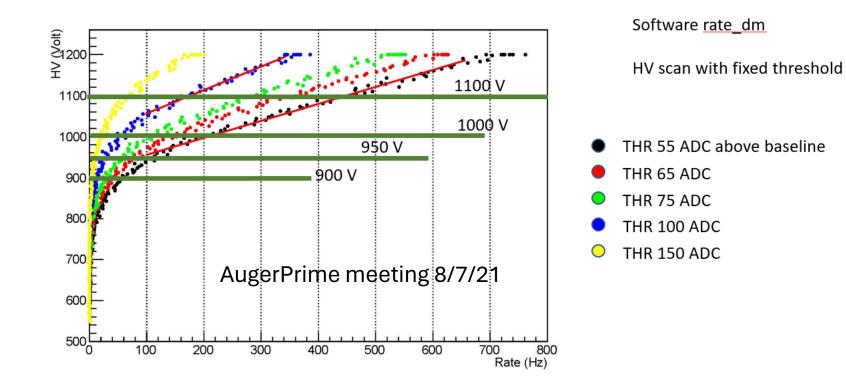
Software: Setting of the HV in UUB, done! The **calib** code inside UUB sets the HV at expected values. The HV of the PMTs shown a excellent stability.

MIP determination and calibration in Offline.



Software: Setting of the HV in UUB, done! The **calib** code inside UUB set the HV at expected values. The HV of the PMTs shown a excellent stability.

The reference value of the routine to correctly fix the HV has been identified in 2021



AugerPrime Scintillator Surface Detector OPERATIONS READINESS REVIEW Maintenance and Spares

Are special tools and testing equipment required for routine maintenance present and available to the Observatory staff?

The detectors do not need regular maintenance. The detectors seem very robust and stable.

It is still necessary to fix the cable protections (see previous slides). We need to define a strategy to fix this problem

Only two detectors with problems in the fields up to now:

- 1 detector damaged by fire
- 1 detector with water problem (production?)

PMTs problems mainly production:

- 9 PMTs fault during installation (production)
- 1 PMT removed for water problem
- 1 PMT to be removed removed for lightning strike.
- 20 PMTs in the field with problems
 - > 12 not working since 1° day (production)
 - 6 stop to work after at least 10 days

First detectors deployed in 2018!!

Are special tools and testing equipment required for routine maintenance present and available to the Observatory staff?

The detectors do not need regular maintenance. The detectors seem very robust and stable.

Possible maintenance routines:

1. Substitution of a PMT

Not a problem for the staff. Not special tool required. Needed only same alu tape.

2. Substitution of an SSD.

Procedure know to the staff. NEEDED the truck used for the deployment. NEEDED the transportation supports used for the deployment. Few standard tools for removing and installing.

3. Fixing a PMT in SDECO. **Procedure not implemented**.

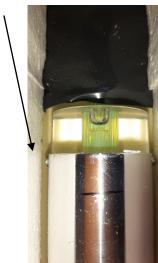
The rate of PMT failure very low (about 7 up to now). Without a relevant change of the failure rate there are enough spare until 2035. <u>A test facility is in preparation in Wuppertal.</u>

4. Fixing a SSD in the Assembling building.

Three detectors has been open and fixed in the AB with the help of the staff. The fixing is possible. The procedure depend on the damage. Necessary the help of experts from EU.

Case 2 and 3 Cookie problem: cookie misplaced.

Simple repair (placing screws



sealing

Cleaning and Flattening the top cover (long and tedious work) <image>

Some difficulties to optimize the curing given the presence of the bars on the upper panel

Are spares available on site as required? Have reliable sources for all spare parts, tools, and consumables been identified for future procurements? Is there a long-term plan for component repairs or replacement?

See also previous slides.

Detectors: There are 17+3 spare detectors. The estimation of the detector damage (excluding the production problems) is below 1 detectors per year. Therefore, there are enough spare until 2035.

PMTs and ISEG base: almost 66 spare PMTs already in Malargue. In addition, 34 PMTs assembled + 21 with only ISEG base in EU (thanks Ioana). Assuming a failure rate of 7 PMTs per year we have spare for more than 10 years.

Roof: there are 150 spare roofs in Malargue. The roof is time to time damaged by the hail. Also if the roof is deformed the detector is not affected. So, substitution is not necessary. More serious problems with stealing of the roofs near roads.

Cables: only 10 spare. Same situation for alu-box (Critical) Not easy procurement of the cables.

Evaluate the annual requirement of resources (person-power & costs) for routine operation and maintenance for each subsystem, including materials, equipment. Discuss anticipated rates of failures and frequency of repairs and replacements.

Failure rate very low. Frequency of repairs manly due to external factors. It is low. The impact on the Observatory of the maintenance could be minimal.

Assuming that the current failure rate is underestimated by a factor F there are spare parts for...

				Und	erstima Factor	ition
Component	Failure Rate	Spares		1	2	5
				Years	with sp	oares
SSD detector		1	20	20	10	4
SSD PMT		7	121	17	9	3.5
Cable		2	10	5	2,5	1
AluBox		1	10	10	5	2

AugerPrime Scintillator Surface Detector OPERATIONS READINESS REVIEW Documents

Is a complete list of equipment and components including part numbers and vendor contact information available?

Yes: minor update necessary in document saved at CERN.

Vendor of protection cables and vendor of the gasket.	Vendor of	protection	cables	and vendo	r of the gasket.
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Document:	SSD Production Plan
Version:	2.0
EDMS ref.:	2042064 v.2

5.2 Procurement of the parts

Several institutions in EU collaborate in the procurements of the parts. Each institution is responsible of quality check and specification checks following documents R1 and R2. The larger fraction of the small mechanical parts is procured from each AIT and PMTAT. More relevant parts or parts that are more sensitive are procured or produced by one or two only institutions for logistics or opportunity reasons.

List of the more relevant parts with the Institution in charge for the procurement or production and company of origin (if applicable)

Component	Responsible Institutions	Company
Scintillator bar	ІКР-КІТ	FNAL , Fermilab Chicago US
Optical Fiber	IKP-KIT, INFNLE, RWTH	Kuraray, Jp
PMT	BUW	Hamamatsu, Jp
PMT bases	BUW	ISEG, Germany
SSD mechanical support	NIKHEF	MCB, Netherland
Sandwich panels	IFIN-HH, LPSC-IN2P3, INFNLE	WESS Chemie Germany, CEL
		Italy
S610 OttoColle	AIT lines	Otto-Chemie Germany
Optical Cement Eljen-500	AIT lines	Eljen Technology, Texas, US
Optical terminal (cookie)	ІКР-КІТ	Local workshop
Welded Frame	IFJ-PAN	GRUPA KETY S.A, Poland
Routers	INFNMI	Termoblock, Italy
PMT flanges	IFJ-PAN	Local workshop

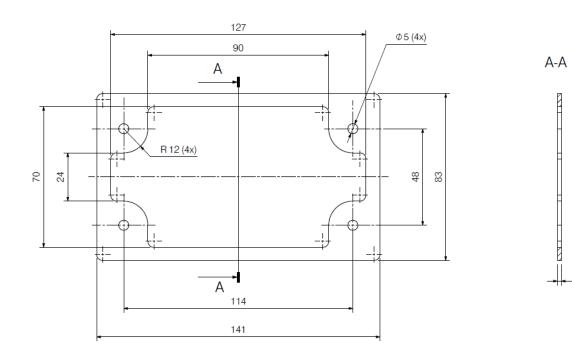
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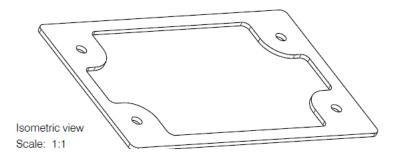
Are drawings, schematics, and any other relevant documents complete and posted to CERN EDMS and/or PMS?

Comparing the documents present in EDMS (Review 2018) there are two differences in the design due to problems found during/after deployment that need to be included in documentation:

- 1. The new solution adopted for the cable protection (previous slides)
- 2. A gasket added between the alu-box and the detector to protect the alu-box from water.

The material used for the gasket is EPDM with hardness 60. Drawing available.





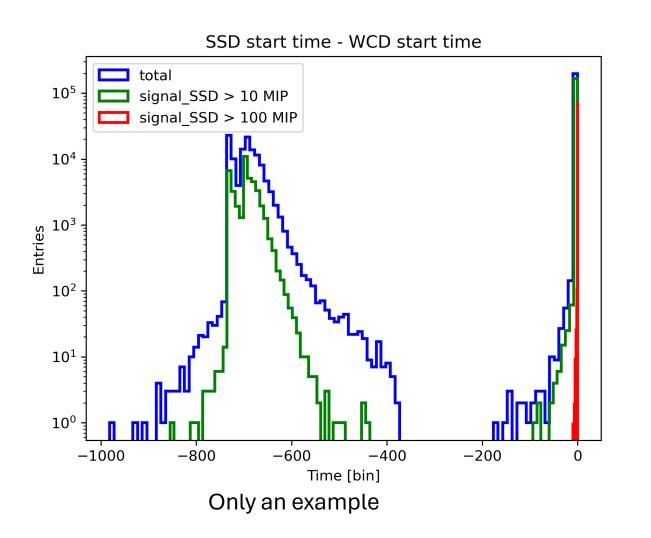
Are instructions for operating and maintaining software code, as well as the code itself, available and organized?

Only operation software is the **calib** routine inside UUB. Routine well know to Ricardo. The routine adopt the same algorithm used to fix the HV of the WCD PMTs.

Maintenance: we have not implemented maintenance software because up to now maintenance is not needed. With the Wuppertal PMT-test facility we plan to develop PMT validation software and procedures.

Monitoring the array: the software is in my PC! Critical situation need to transfer the duty to the SD shifters

Are all the hardware, power and software interfaces fully functional, compatible and operational?



Connection with the UUB is working. The data are collected and stored.

The analysis software (Offline) is under development, not all the reconstructed quantities in Offline are correct.

About cables and connectors see previous slides.

Procedures. The following procedures must be complete:

- General operation.

There is not a specific operation procedure. The only operation needed is the HV setting with the **calib** routine. See before.

- Hardware and software troubleshooting and maintenance.

The possible maintenance are:

Substitution of the PMT Substitution of the roof Substitution of the detector Fixing of the alu-box

All this operation has been done by the staff and are well know. A "manual" where this procedure are summarized has to be written. Something exist in Malargue.

- Process for handling major repairs.

See the slide before.

- Inclusion of safety considerations in all procedures.

There are not serious safety risks in all the operations. Anyway some safety instruction are necessary to mount/unmount SSD in the field and in case a SSD has to be open in the laboratory.

Has an appropriate number of observatory personnel been trained to operate and provide routine maintenance?

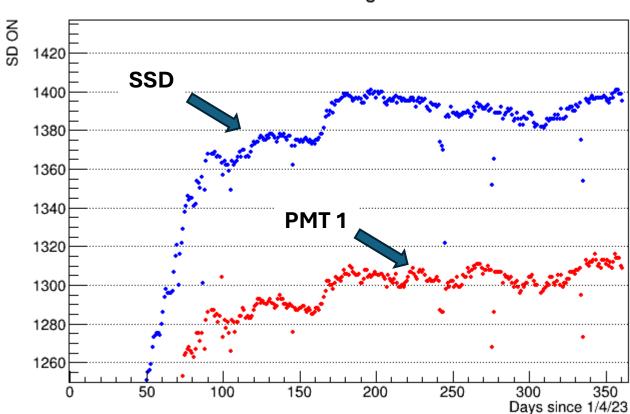
The staff is trained in the deployment and parts substitution.



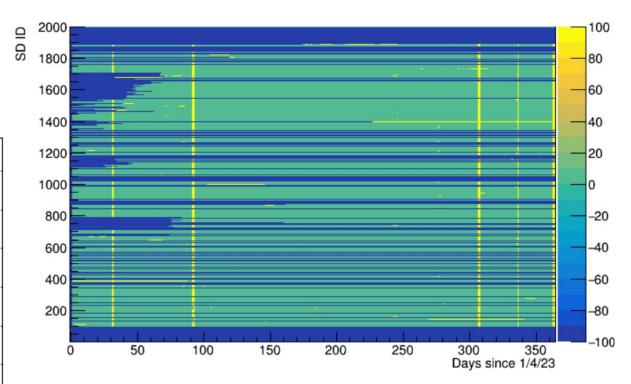


Backup

Monitoring Instability

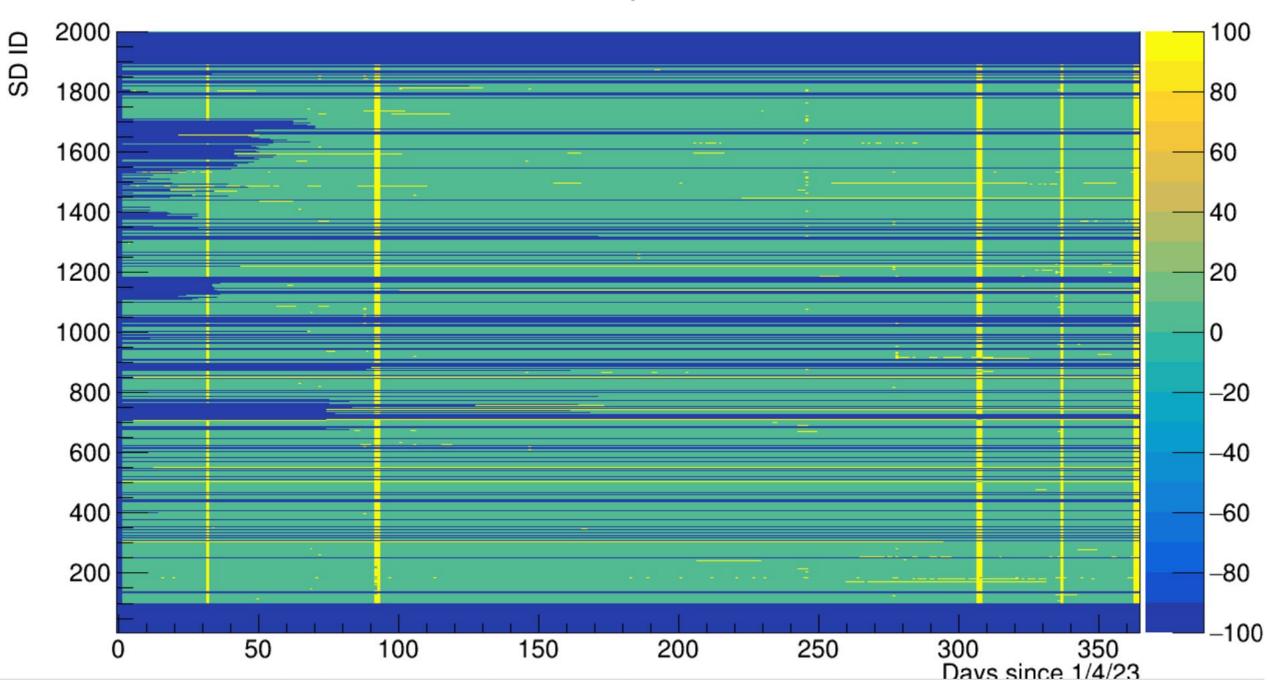


SSD in HV range 760-980



Number of SSD PMT with (maybe) problems for at least 10 consecutive days 45 SSD PMT with (maybe) until the last day 529 from day 168 552 from day 14 734 from day 234 937 from day 336 1447 from day 224 1784 from day 227 SSD PMT not working from the first day 12 505 total N. of day 363 712 total N. of day 290 745 total N. of day 290 803 total N. of day 199 851 total N. of day 363 1025 total N. of day 58 1062 total N. of day 286 1221 total N. of day 321 1270 total N. of day 363 1335 total N. of day 340 1400 total N. of day 137 1621 total N. of day 296

SSD PMTs problematic



Why Check and Repair campaign

The main idea at the design stage of SSD was to have a fully sealed detector that did not require opening and maintenance.

The "active part" of the SSD detector (PMT and electronics) is accessible externally (PMT Housing and Electronics AluBox).

The "repairing campaign" are aimed mainly to recover production problems, to recover damages raised during the transport and or to evaluate and eventually repair specific issues (detectors subject to fire, presence of water/humidity).

4 with cookie problems The "failure" sample is fairly small 7 modules (detectors) 1 replaced from the field for being in a fire 1 with a screw problems in the external flange (damage during the movement) 1 with water inside the PMT site Materials for the assembly check list in Malargüe: OttoCol and manual dispenser for OttoCol (from EU) Reason for the only PMT failure up to now Screws and small specific parts for the • assembly (from EU) The cookie «optical cement» is the same used in AMIGA Rivets already available in Malargüe. Sezione di Lecco

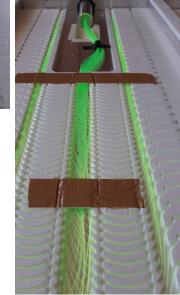
First campaign: @november meeting and one week after

Case I - The detector suffered a fire in the field. The lower panel appears deformed and was in the Assembly Building to check if the interior is damaged.









Inside the detector was intact.

Apparently the fire was very intense but short lasting (cortadera) and the bottom panel insulated properly. Although the "integrity" of the interior, the lower panel is certainly compromised and **we did not perform the**

closing procedure.

The detector has been converted for OUTREACH



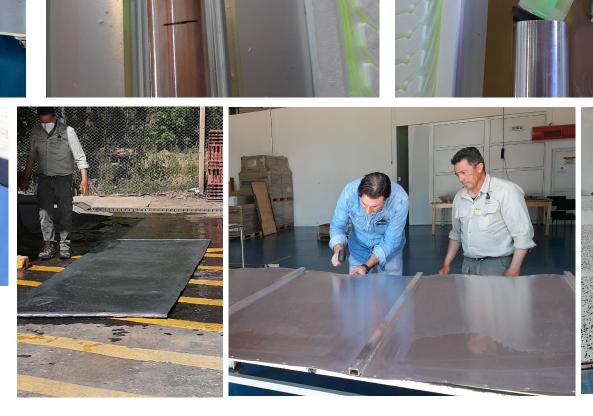
Case 2 and 3 Cookie problem: cookie misplaced.

Simple repair (placing screws



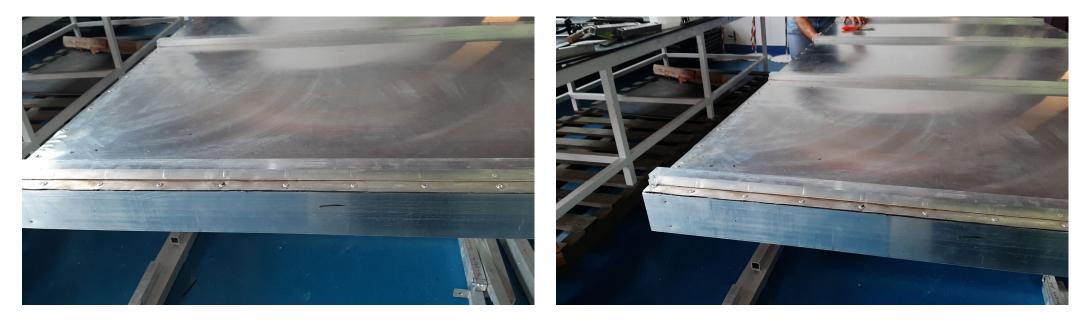
sealing

Cleaning and Flattening the upper panel (long and tedious work)



Some difficulties to optimize the curing given the presence of the bars on the upper panel

Case 2 and 3 – closed detectors



We checked with PMT/UUB and the signal seems ok.

<u>What left</u>

1 detector is similar to case 2/3 and we will open next week

1 detector has a more serious problem and the cookie must be done again (optical cement uncured).

1 detector with water inside the PMT tube (when in site). We have submitted the detector to water pump, but we were not able to reproduce the problem (need more investigation)

1 detector with screw problem for a damage in the external flange (need more investigation)

Check list for next week

Material for the assembly status in Malargüe:

- OttoCol and manual dispenser for OttoCol (EU)
- Screws and small specific parts for the assembly (EU)
- <u>The cookie «optical cement» is the same used in UMD</u>
- <u>Unfortunatly for holding the cookie while curing some specific «new» tool must be</u> <u>arranged</u>
- Rivets already available in Malargüe.

We have a part of the tool we used for Cookies in Lecce.

- but:
- no degassing (vacuum)
- no way to put in

vert



Cable protective jackets

Sewing thread is not UV resistant, so it breaks

A temporary solution: use UV-resistant zip ties to keep the jackets closed

Possible alternatives identified, but not available in Argentina – work in progress



Plans for next week

Cable protection slit:

price € 2,60/m , moq 25metri

Instrument one detector

Instrument 3 local stations with cable protection

Cable glands > Products > Cable Protection Systems > Plastic Conduits > Polyamide conduit Slit > Polyamide conduit Slit

900.00 Po	lyamide co	onduit Slit
Polyami <mark>d</mark> e	Size DN	29
-40°C to +120°C	d	29 mm
	D	34.5 mm
grey	Minimum bend-	
7031	ing radius	55 mm
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2 samples of spiral binding of different diameter with the idea of instrumenting one detector

Avvolgicavo a spirale RS PRO, Nero, in Polietilene, Ø cavo 4mm -6mm, Ø interno 4mm, Ø fascio 25mm max

Codice RS: 811-7639 Costruttore: RS PRO

Avvolgicavo a spirale RS PRO, Nero, in Polietilene, Ø cavo 12mm -32mm, Ø interno 12mm

Codice RS: 204-4427 Costruttore: RS PRO

price € 1,50/m, mog 5 meters



<u>UV-resistence only according to the manufacturer</u> 34

// Raw material according to UL94

Riguarda i cavi che collegano il PMT di SSD al «DOME» (dove si trova la UUB)

Cable protective jackets

Problema evidente dopo 3 anni di installazione sulle camere SSD80

I copricavo utilizzati sono costituiti da una guaina plastica chiusa da un velcro.

Il filo della cucitura del <mark>velcro non è sufficientemente resistente agli UV.</mark> La guaina dopo 3 anni ha iniziato ad aprirsi scoprendo i fili

SOLUZIONE EMERGENZA: utilizzare dei fermacavo (UV-resistent zip-ties) per chiudere la guaina.

CONTRO: Anche questi fermacavo non di facile reperimento in Argentina (materiale apparentemente resistente agli UV non lo è a lungo termine). Necessità cambio ogni volta che è necessario accedere al cavo (es. Durante installazione RADIO)

SOLUZIONE a lungo termine Proposte:

1- Estendere il copricavo che dall'antenna RADIO scende verso il cavo SSD PMT. I due cavi tecnicamente dovrebbero poi viaggiare nello stesso copricavo. (il copricavo RD non ha un diametro che possa contenere entrambi)

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1- Purtroppo il copricavo RD non è sufficiente a contenere entrambi i cavi, inoltre l'ingresso del cavo RD nell'housing del cavo SSD costituisce già ora un punto potenzialmente delicato in quanto può convogliare acqua nella zona «BOX elettronica»



copricavo SSD-PMT – Dome: possibili opzioni:

HILLI

1.527.2900.00 Polyamide conduit Slit

COSTI: 2.6 Euro/metro + IVA

Material	Polyamide	Size DN	29
Temperature	-40°C to +120°C	d	29 mm
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TREQUEST 3D DATA

🔁 DATA SHEET

COSTI: 1.5 Euro/metro + IVA

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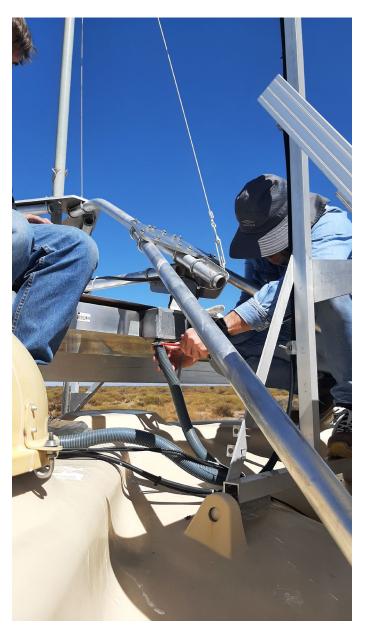
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COSTI: 2.6 Euro/metro + IVA

A MARZO 2023 abbiamo installato il copricavo corrugato su 4 Local Station. Tempo di installazione circa 3 minuti, installazione molto semplice.





COSTO TOTALE SOLO MATERIAL 6.24+IVA

COSTI: 1.5 Euro/metro + IVA

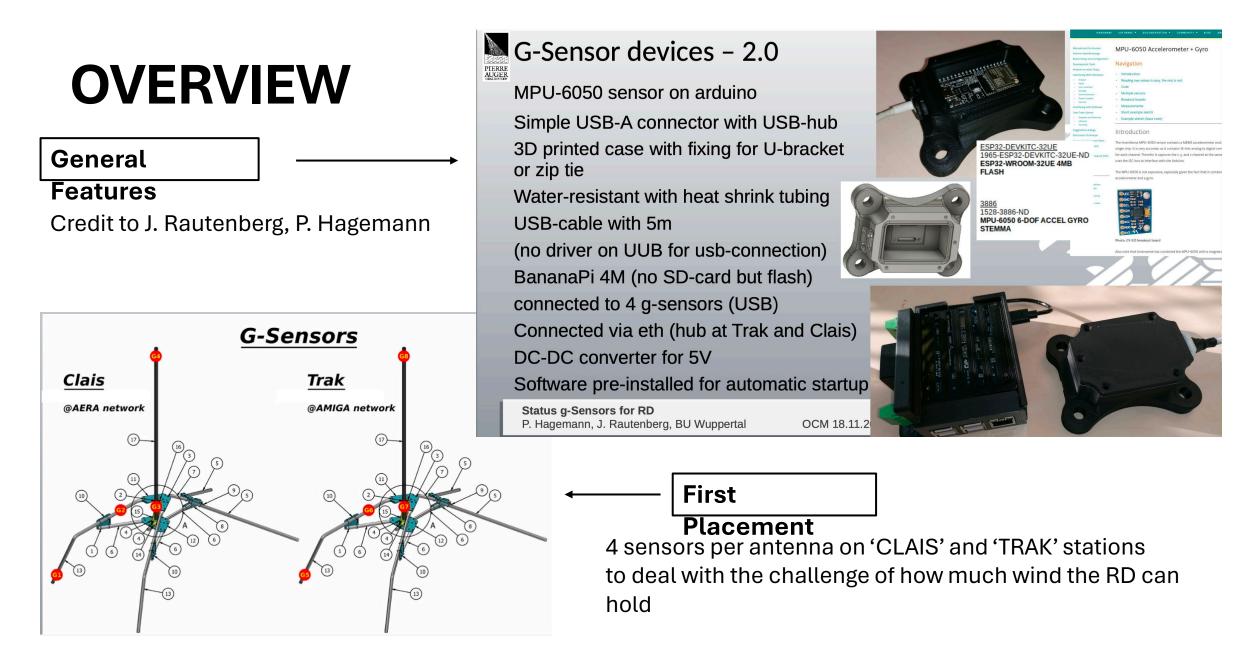
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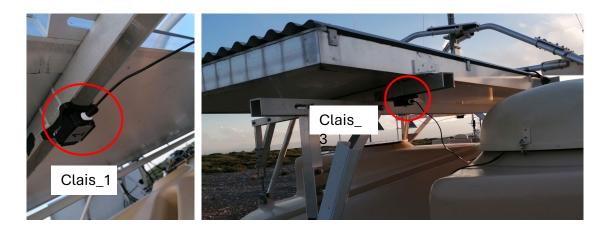
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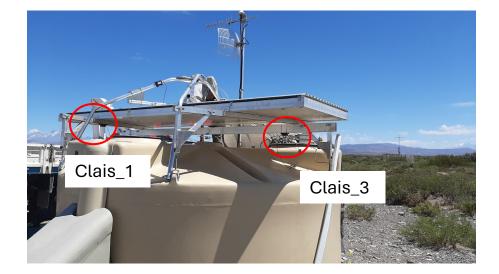
SSD setup

Since March 2022 two g-sensors were moved to the SSD scaffolder for

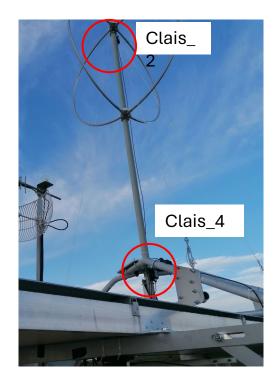
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Moved again last November (after the meeting), when the old support was replaced with the new one

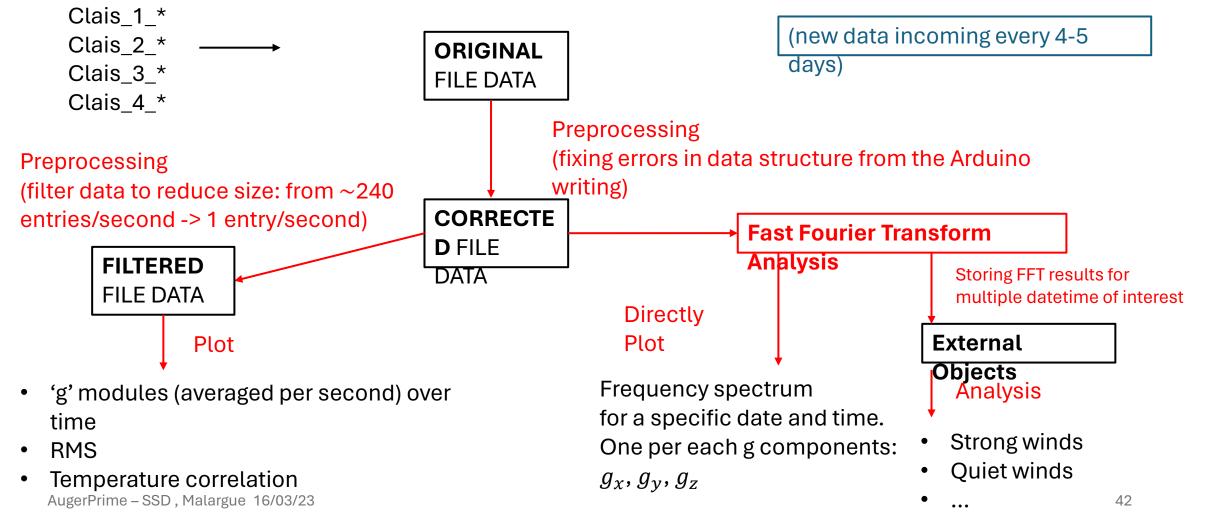


Antenna setup



Data organization and processing

Currently all data are collected here: https://uni-wuppertal.sciebo.de/s/Rv8XkjssswhGwss and are organized by sense



We're currently working on automating each one of the previous steps.

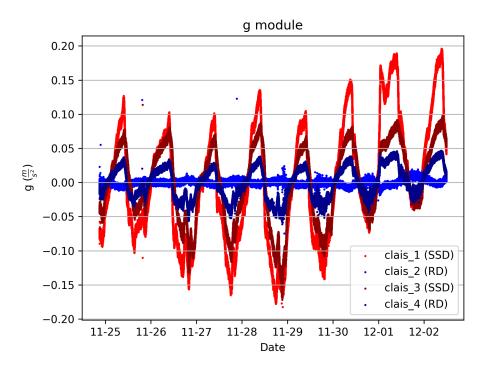
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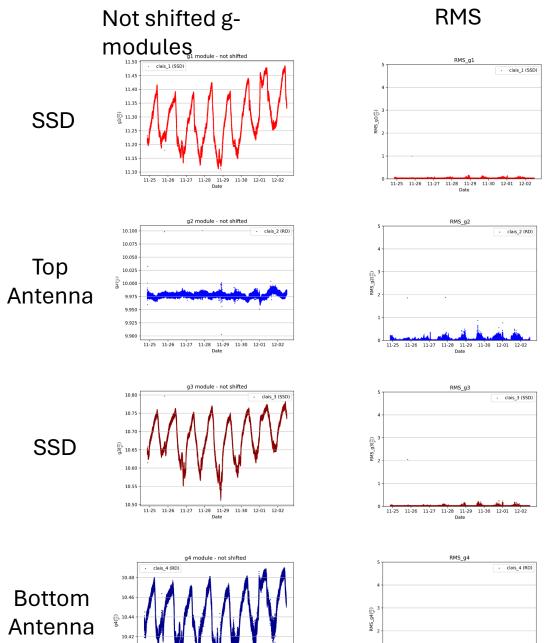
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... but still have to upload the updated versions

G-sensors Data

First week since the change of the SSD support From 2022-11-25 to 2022-12-02



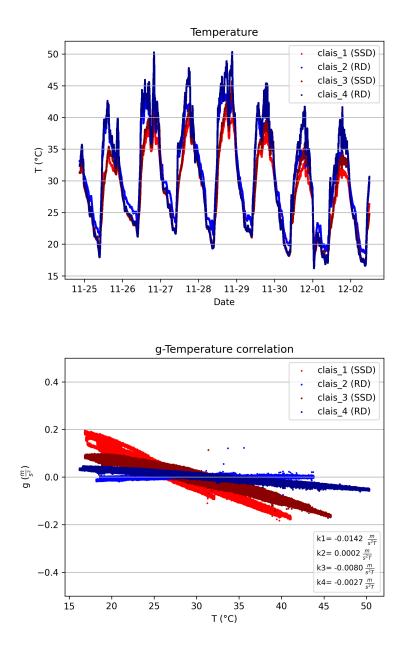


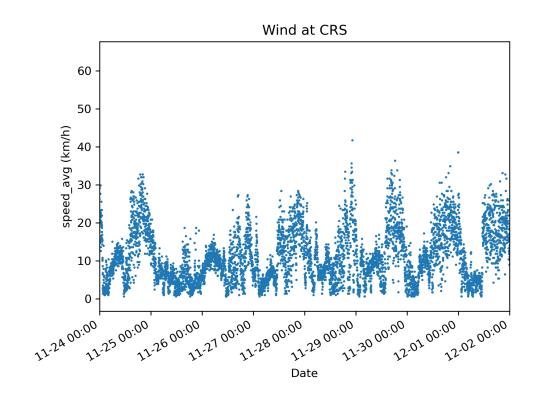
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The g modulation can be correlated to thermal winds, even though it differs from sensor to sensor.

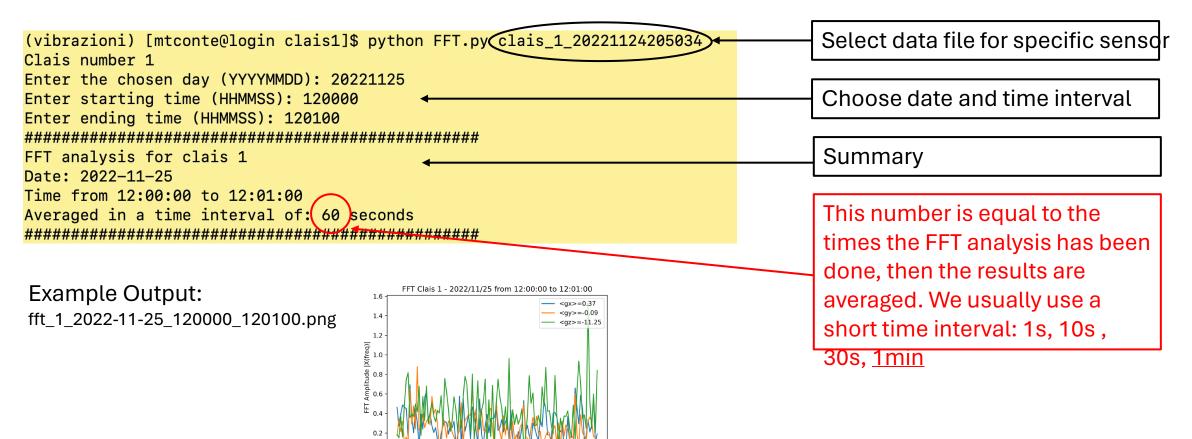
A stronger correlation with the temperature is indeed oddly found for both the SSD g-sensors, which, however, are subject to a lower

thermal excursion as seen from the Temperature plot.

We can try to switch one SSD sensor for one Antenna sensor and check.

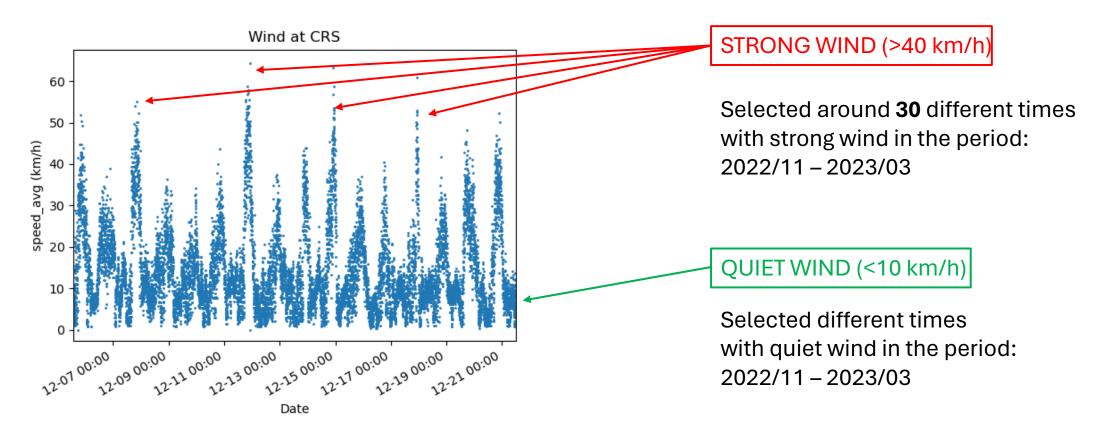
Fast Fourier Transform Analysis

The data **sampling** is usually \sim 240 entries/second, even though sometimes it can drop down. The FFT analysis is done in one second, covering a frequency range up to 110/120 Hz.



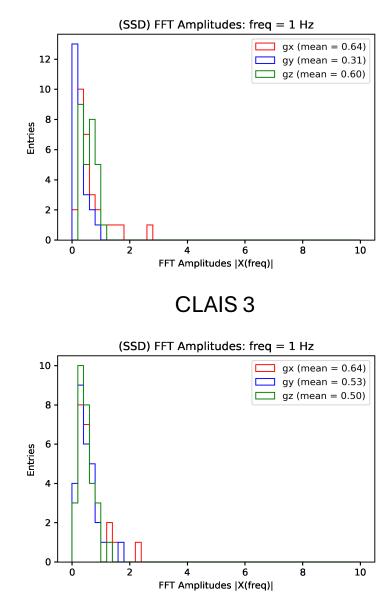
SSD and Antenna behavior under strong or quiet winds

To look for specific weather conditions (quiet/strong wind) you can check the WIND @CRS (close to 'Clais')

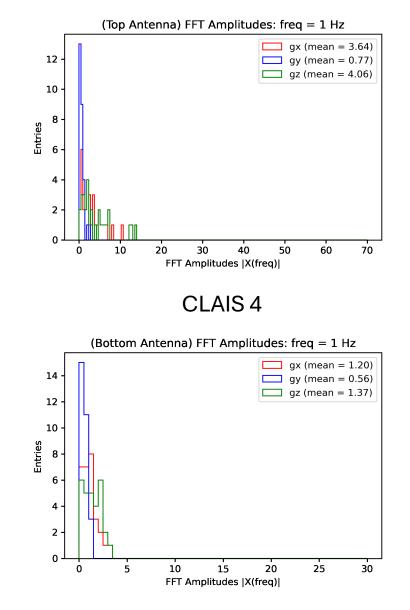




CLAIS 1



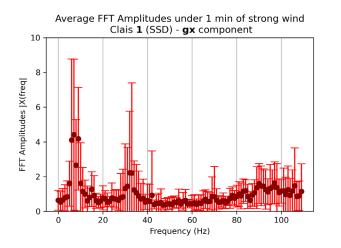
CLAIS 2

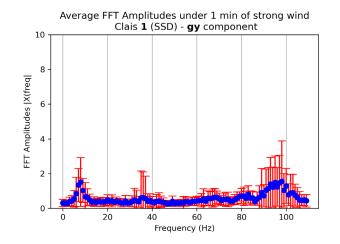


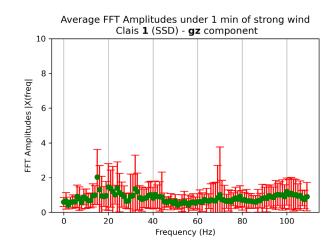
STRONG WIND (>40 km/h)

EXPECTED SSD PROFILES:

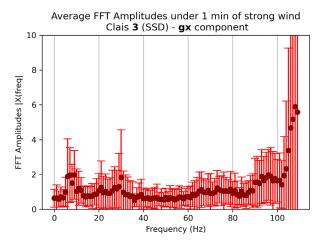
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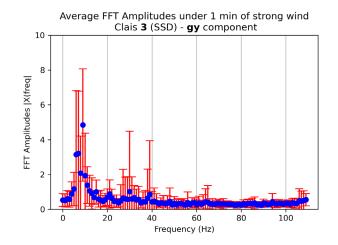


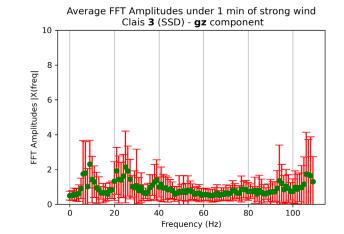




CLAIS 3



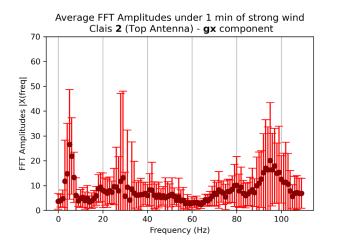


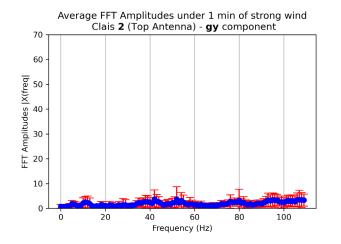


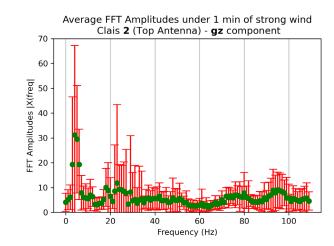
STRONG WIND (>40 km/h)

EXPECTED RD ANTENNA PROFILES:

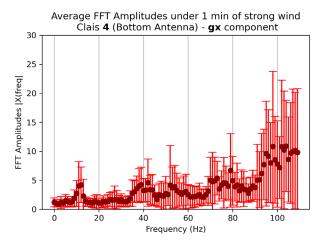
CLAIS 2

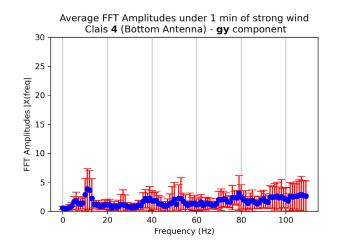




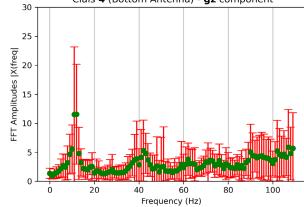


CLAIS 4



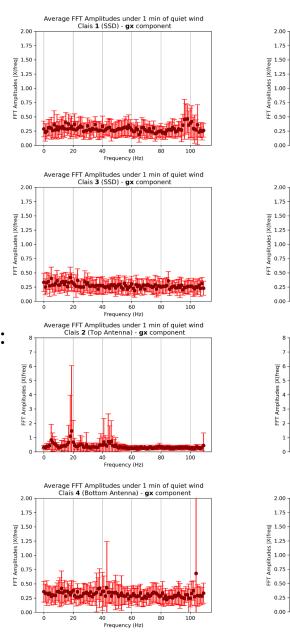


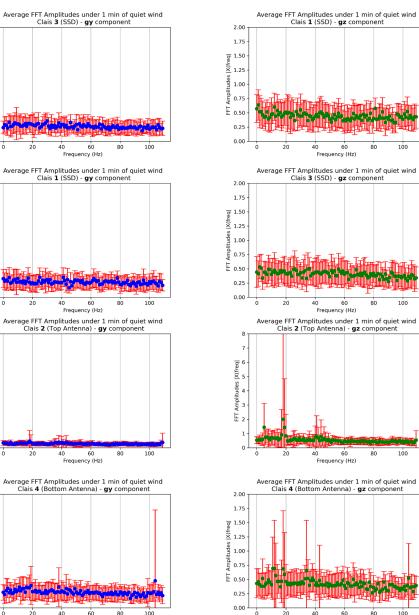
Average FFT Amplitudes under 1 min of strong wind Clais **4** (Bottom Antenna) - **gz** component



EXPECTED SSD PROFILES:

EXPECTED ANTENNA PROFILES:





Frequency (Hz)

100 Frequency (Hz) Average FFT Amplitudes under 1 min of quiet wind Clais **3** (SSD) - **gz** component 100 80 Frequency (Hz) Average FFT Amplitudes under 1 min of quiet wind Clais **2** (Top Antenna) - **gz** component 80 100 Frequency (Hz) Average FFT Amplitudes under 1 min of quiet wind Clais 4 (Bottom Antenna) - gz component

80

Frequency (Hz)

100

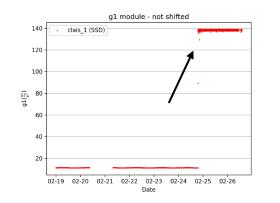
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ANOMALIES

Sensors status and position should be checked again after the meeting Two different anomalies were detected on both the SSD g-sensors

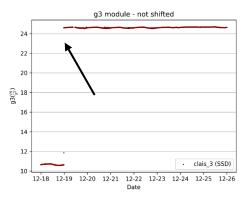
CLAIS 1

Istant change in the g module on the 2023/02/25. From ~11 to ~140 (m/s^2)



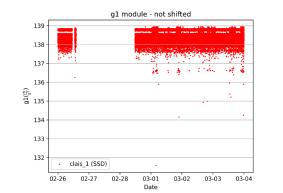
CLAIS 3

Istant change in the g module on the 2022/12/19. From ~ 11 to ~ 25 (m/s²)



Current status:

It hasn't changed from then. (Drifting)



Current status:

It hasn't changed from then.

