





## Jefferson Lab High-B Facility

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# High-B Sensor-Testing Facility

Motivation: DIRC configuration with readout inside a solenoid magnet. PMTs operate inside a 3-T field.

Purpose: Gain evaluation of small photon sensors in magnetic fields. Goal: Determine design characteristics, suitable for DIRC readout.







# High-B Sensor-Testing Facility

Jefferson Lab Support

- Laboratory Space, Equipment
- Personnel
  - Data Acquisition Installation and Maintenance
  - Supperconducting Magnet Cooling, Refilling, and Maintenance
  - Detector Lab support: engineering

University Contributions

• Personnel

- University of South Carolina: faculty, graduate and undergraduate students
- Old Dominion University: postdoctoral fellow(s), graduate student







# High-B Sensor-Testing Facility





- Commissioning: July/August 2014
- Data taking: November 2014
- People: JLab: P. Nadel-Turonski, C. Zorn; USC: Y.
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# Major Components



Magnet:

- superconducting solenoid
- max. field: 5.1 T at 82.8 A
- 12.7–cm (5–inch) diameter warm bore
- length of bore: 76.2 cm (30 inch)
- central field inhomogeneity: ≤5×10<sup>-5</sup> over a cylindrical volume of a diameter of 1.5 cm and length of 5 cm

Test Box:

- non-magnetic, light-tight
- cylindrical shape:  $d_{in}$   $\sim$  4.5 inch, L  $\sim$  18 inch
- allows for rotation of sensors
- LED light source

#### Sensor Orientation Capabilities

Holder: balance of magnetic torque

φ: rotation about Z'
θ: rotation about Y(Y')

Turntable: rotation about Y(Y') axis

Z' (along sensor's axis)

0

Z (along B-field)

#### Major Components



#### **fADC** Calibration







#### Commissioning and First Run

- ADC: 19.1±0.2 fC/ADCch
- Data collected
  - Photek PMT210: B = (0, 5)
     T; θ = (0°, 30°, 180°);
     φ=0°, 90°, 135°
  - Photek PMT240: B = (0, 2)
     T; θ = 0°; φ=0°
  - Photonis PP0365G: B = (0, 3) T; θ = (0°, 30°, 180°);
     φ=0°, 90°, 135°



pore size: 3 μm, 10 μm gain: ~10<sup>6</sup> QE: 15%

pore size: 6 µm gain: ~10<sup>5</sup> QE: 18%

# MCP-PMT Data Analysis

Methods:

- A. At each setting, evaluate the total charge collected on the anode. Map total collected charge as a function of setting.
  - a. sensitive to fluctuations in the light input
  - b. must renormalize data at different  $\theta$  to a reference setting (0 T, 0°)
  - c. somewhat sensitive to pick-up noise
  - d. quantity simple to evaluate, no fits involved
- B. At each setting, determine the absolute gain of the PMT. Map the absolute/relative gain as a function of setting.
  - a. independent on light-input fluctuations
  - b. no need for renormalization
  - c. sensitive to fit function, initial values of fit parameters
  - d. sensitive to interval of integration of signal

# Method A



# Results: Method A

– Photek PMT210



- max. high voltage: –4.8 kV
- 5% uncertainty shown:
   dominated by variations in reproducibility of the same data point.
- nearly 20% increase of charge output at 0.5 T relative to 0 T
- about a factor of 6
   decrease of signal
   between 0 T and 4 T
   (-4.44 kV)
- operating the sensor at nearly maximum high voltage extends the range of applied field to 5 T

### Results: Method A



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# Method B

θ=0°, B=0.5 T



# Results: Method B



# Method B: Fitting Function



#### Method B: Example Fits, I9

θ=0°, B=0. T

#### θ=0°, B=0.5 T



#### Method B: Example Fits, I9

 $\theta = 0^{\circ}$ , B=4. T, HV=-4.44 kV

#### $\theta = 0^{\circ}$ , B=4 T, HV=-4.76 kV



#### Method B: Gain Evaluation



### Summary

- Sensor Testing Facility Established: gain evaluation up to 5 T
- Rotational capabilities for small sensors
- Single-Anode sensors (Photek PMT 240 and 210, Photonis PP0365G) evaluated in 2014
  - Photek PMT210: excellent performance up to 5 T at  $\theta=0^{\circ}$ .
  - Photek PMT240: indication for magnetization effects
  - Photonis PP0365G: excellent performance up to 3 T
  - First Measurements indicate that smaller-pore size sensors have better immunity to magnetic fields.

#### Current Status

- Strong Interest from Manufacturers
  - Follow-up measurements of PMT210: independent control of cathode-plate, across plates, and last-plate-anode HVs.
  - Planacon sensors (25  $\mu$ m and 10  $\mu$ m) on loan from Photonis.
- Downtime until July 2015
  - upgrade of dark-box endcaps (HV independent control)
  - implementation of a reference PMT (pulser monitor)
  - implementation of QDC (alternative means for charge integration)
  - replacement of HV units

#### The END

# Method B: I<sub>9</sub> and I<sub>19</sub> θ=0°, B=0.5 T stups 10<sup>4</sup> **I**9 $I_{19}$ $10^{3}$ $10^{2}$ 10 1 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 ADC 1000 2000

#### Method B: Example Fits, I<sub>19</sub>

