X-ARAPUCA efficiency tests in LAr - Preliminary results

Xe Doping Update

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Measurement goals

Retrieve the efficiency of the X-ARAPUCA with an alpha source Am-241

- Eljen 286 slab (PVT)

The results will later be compared with

- Bicocca FB Prototype (PMMA)

A magnetic manipulator allows the scanning of the X-ARAPUCA along its longitudinal axis.

We can also completely remove the source to make **Muons** and **Gammas** acquisition



Eljen 286

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The chamber is lined with black cardboard.



Calibration



Alpha source results

- Results are **preliminar:** the **X-ARAPUCA to source** $\frac{1}{4}$ **distance** was not constant along the scanning and not really reproducible among different scannings \rightarrow d = (5.5 +/- 0.5 cm).
 - The source maybe slightly off-center.
 - A new mechanical frame is in the construction and more precise measurements will be repeated.
- A toy model Monte Carlo was done to compute the amount of photons reaching the X-ARAPUCA (Only by solid angle effect)
- The measured efficiency (no correction) found was ~2 %
- When correcting for the liquid argon purity (1 us slow component) and the undershoot present in the waveform, we found a efficiency of ~2.8 %



By removing the alpha source, two muons acquisitions were performing.

- At Vacuum, during the cooling down process. With a temperature about -133 °C and one test at LAr.
- The test in vacuum should only give light due to Eljen 286 slab scintillation
- Light detected in the LAr are "contaminated by the light of Elj slab.
- Measurements were normalized by acquisition time











Comparison with the lobes



Conclusions

- Measurements of the X-ARAPUCA efficiency were performed with preliminary results.
- Scintillation emission of the Elj bar was measured (in vacuum, cryogenic temperature).
- Two lobes structure is present in the peak vs charge integral plot.
 - The upper lobe has the quite the same charge-to-PH ratio of the EJ bar intrinsic scintillation light
 - May the observed lobes structure be related to what observed in pDune?
 - The upper lobe in pDune represents 1% of the events: it may be generated by showers/mu-bundle crossing one XA in coincidence with the muon that has triggered, or spurious from radioactivity etc.
- How much the EJ scintillation contribute to the fast component in the Q XA?
- The results shown are very recent (this week)...still in the process of quantify the observed effect in pDune

Backup

