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I. Abstract

Using a ¹³⁷Cs source we have determined the position of two of the source tubes embedded in the Pb absorber in the cast EMC module used in the Fermilab test beam. Two scintillator tiles placed in the gaps on both sides of an absorber containing a source tube were readout into independent phototubes. The difference in scintillator response was measured in two towers at two different source tube layers. We find the source tube to be displaced towards the (radial) front of the EMC by about 1.6 mm in both measurements.

Work is proceeding now to check other source tubes in other locations.

2. Introduction

In the ANL design for the cast Pb. MC of the BCAL¹, the source tubes are embedded in the Pb absorber, and are constrained between towers at the bulkheads. If a low energy source such as ¹³⁷Cs is used to measure the response of a scintillator tile, the tolerance of the source tube placement in the Pb perpendicular to the scintillator, becomes an important issue due to varying amounts of Pb between the scintillator and source.

We have previously measured² the effect of Pb and air absorber thickness on ¹³⁷Cs signals and found that if the sum of the scintillators on either side of a source tube are used for calibration, we estimate a source tube displacement of $\pm 450\mu$ will cause an error in the PMT outputs by 1%. Furthermore, a displacement of 1 mm causes a 5% error.

¹SDC Technical Proposal, SDC-92-201. ²SDC Note SDC-92-350.

* This work supported by the U.S. Department of Energy, Division of High Energy Physics, Contract W-31-109-ENG-38. In order to try to determine the actual position of the source tube within the Pb absorber, we ran the 137 Cs source into a source tube and looked at the difference in response of scintillator tiles placed on either side of the Pb absorber. From this measurement and our previous results, we can deduce the position of the source tube in the lead transverse to the scintillators.

3. Description of Measurement

Figure 1A shows a picture of the EMC test module and fig. 1B is a diagram of the test setup incorporating Fig. 1A. Empty scintillator slots in towers 4 and 5 and adjacent to source tube numbers 1 and 2 respectively of casting #1 were fitted with 10 cm \times 10 cm \times 2.5 mm Kuraray SCSN-81 plastic scintillator tiles coupled in the standard fashion with Y7 waveshifter to two Hamamatsu R580 phototubes. A 2 mCi ¹³⁷Cs source was driven through a source tube in the absorber between the two scintillators. The output of the PMTs were coupled into a CAMAC multiplexed ADC and the current integrated for 20 msec and read out by an IBM XT.

Scintillators A and B were initially positioned such that A was in the upstream pocket, and B in the downstream pocket (Run 1). The high voltage was then set such that the current from tile A, I_A , was about equal that of tile B, I_B . Source scans were then made in this configuration, then tiles A and B were interchanged (Run 2). A second source scan was done, and the resulting current differences used to determine the source tube locations.

4. Results

Figures 2A and 2C show the PMT currents for the A and B pair in towers 4 and 5, respectively. These figures are shown for A in the upstream position and B in the downstream position. Figures 2B and 2D show the A and B currents in towers 4 and 5 again, but with the A and B tiles interchanged such that B is upstream and A is downstream. Table 1 summarizes the changes in signals after interchanging scintillators A and B between Runs 1 and 2.

| Run | Scintillator A (ADC Counts) | Scintillator B (ADC Counts) |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 448 | 444 |
| 2 | 1100 | 175 |
| Ratio Run 1/Run 2 | 0.407 | 2.537 |
| Run | | |
| 3 | 400 | 385 |
| 4 | 950 | 158 |
| Ratio Run 3/Run 4 | 0.421 | 2.437 |

Table 1

| A GAUSE A | T_{α} | ıble | 2 |
|-----------|--------------|------|---|
|-----------|--------------|------|---|

| | δχ | |
|---------|---------|---------|
| | Α | В |
| Tower 4 | -1.6 mm | -1.7 mm |
| Tower 5 | -1.6 mm | -1.7 mm |

By returning the scintillators to the original configuration after interchange (Run 2 configuration \rightarrow Run 1 configuration), we can estimate possible systematic errors by remeasuring the signals from the A and B tiles. We estimate the error in our measurements to be ~ 1%.

Conclusion

There seems to be a systematic shift of the source tubes within the Pb absorbers by the order of 1.5 mm. Calibration using pairs of tiles should be insensitive to this displacement.

The misplacement of the tubes is seen as due to a lack of precise keying of the frame inside the mold. A few more pockets will be checked to see in fact if this is really a systematic effect throughout the module.

Appendix

Referring to Figure 3 as reference:

 $I = I_0(1 + 0.25\delta x)$ (see SDC-92-350 - 25% change in intensity per mm displacement)

| Run I | $I_{1A} = g_A \cdot I_0 \cdot (1 + 0.25 \delta x)$ $I_{1B} = g_B \cdot I_0 \cdot (1 - 0.25 \delta x)$ |
|-------|--|
| Run 2 | $I_{2A} = g_A \cdot I_0 \cdot (1 - 0.25 \ \delta x)$ $I_{2B} = g_B \cdot I_0 \cdot (1 + 0.25 \ \delta x)$ |

g(A,B) = PM tube gain

Note: Sx positive in direction of "A" originally.

 $\frac{l_{1A}}{l_{2A}} = \frac{1 + 0.25\delta x}{1 - 0.25\delta x} = R_A$ $\frac{l_{2A}}{l_{2B}} = \frac{1 - 0.25\delta x}{1 + 0.25\delta x} = R_B$

Therefore:

$$1 + \frac{1}{4}\delta x = R_{A} - \frac{1}{4}R_{A}\delta x$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\delta x + \frac{1}{4}R_{A}\delta x = R_{A} - 1$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\delta x(1 + R_{A}) = R_{A} - 1$$

$$\therefore \quad \delta x = 4\frac{R_{A} - 1}{R_{A} + 1}$$
Eq. (1)

and

$$1 - \frac{1}{4}\delta x = R_{B} + \frac{1}{4}R_{B}\delta x$$
$$1 - R_{B} = \frac{1}{4}R_{B}\delta x + \frac{1}{4}\delta x$$

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EMC TEST MODULE

SCSN-38 Scintillator were inserted -- Into the empty spaces of towers 4\$5 for these measurements



Fraure 1R



Figure 2A





Figure 2C.



.. Figure 20



Not to Scale

Figure 3