

Muon (RPC) Detector Studies for SiD

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Outline

- RPC Performance & Aging
 - BaBar experience
 - Low rate streamer mode
 - Humidity requirements
 - Fluorine
- HF sensitivity
- Test stand
 - IHEP RPCs
 - KPIX
- Plans



Goals

- Expected backgrounds for an ILC muon system remain low ~ .01 hit/cm² per train (change from ~2 10⁻⁴) N. Mokhov
- Will impact strip size depending on electronics (KPIX <5 hits/train)
- Position resolution modest (~1 cm)

- RPCs can meet these requirements @low cost
- Primary concern is reliability
- Many large systems coming inline will test RPCs further
 - CMS, ATLAS (avalanche)
 - BESIII
 - Opera, Daya Bay
- Ongoing results from BaBar & BELLE



BaBaR Forward Endcap RPCs



- Over 200 2nd generation RPCs installed in 02 forward upgrade
- Data from Nov.02 Sep. 07



- Efficiency still high (94%→92%) but adjustments to gas flow, gas humidity, & HV cabling were required. Many chambers show an increase in current & rates
- Small number of RPCs have gas or HV problems (8%)

 12 RPC HV modules per layer, grouped into 6 gas volumes



- Signal and background rates vary widely with position
 - Highest rate RPCs switched to avalanche mode
- Most relevant to ILC are the RPCs in the low rate positions







Current with Cosmics Only

Top + bottom sections Rate < 2 Hz/cm²



- Efficiencies stable
- Increased currents



 Not understood, low Gas Flow? Too humid?



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Gas Humidity





Avalanche Mode



- Declining efficiency ٠ observed in high rate ring at small radii
- Most aging processes ٠ proportional to integrated charge

Forward Endcap Gap 1

Did not improve with humidified ٠ gcc



- Convert to avalanche mode
 - Lower current, improved efficiency
 - 22% Ar, 72.9% C₂H₂F₄,4.5% C_4H_{10} , 0.6%SF₆
- 12 middle RPCs converted for Run6
- Improved efficiencies, lowered currents, noise rates +20%





Fluorine studies

- Several studies have shown correlation between the production of F⁻ and increased currents and surface damage
- F⁻ in the exhaust gas measured by bubbling gas through a H₂O &TISAB solution and measured with a Fluorine specific probe
- Comparison of avalanche mode and streamer mode RPCs shows comparable Fproduction
 - Avalanche Current is ~ $\frac{1}{4}$ streamer mode
 - Avalanche produces more Fper unit charge





IHEP RPC & KPIX Studies

- Cosmic test stand built with BaBar spares and gas
- Initial tests of small 15 *15 cm IHEP prototypes -streamer





- KPIX is DC coupled ~2 µsec integration time
- RPC strips(pads) are AC coupled and see fast signals ~300 nsec decay time depending on termination of pad and HV ground

Ground Shield

IHEP RPC & KPIX Studies(2)



- 2 possible solutions
- Revise KPIX with ~.2 μ sec integration time
- Replace Pickups by DC connections to segmented graphite layer
- Will build interface board to test alternatives



BaBAR IFR Muon Losses

Reminder to avoid projecting cracks





Studies of HF - C. Lu Princeton

- Exposed Bakelite/glass surfaces to HF vapor for 24 hrs
- Bare Bakelite (BaBar) shows clear discoloration
- The Linseed oil coated Bakelite surface is much better protected from HF vapor attack







Effect on IHEP Bakelite surface

Surface has been badly attacked by HF vapor.

C. Lu Princeton



Surface resistivity drops very fast in first hour of



A reminder that glass RPCs have to be keep very dry



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exposure.

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Summary of the HF tests C. Lu Princeton

Surface resistivity change after exposed to HF vapor



We can see that the surface resistivity reduction for IHEP Bakelite samples is $\sim 10^{-7}$, for Linseed oil coated BaBar Bakelite samples is $\sim 10^{-4}$, the glass surface is worse than IHEP Bakelite.



Plans

- Obtain larger IHEP RPCs
- Design and build KPIX(64 ch) interface board
 - Test on spare BaBar and New IHEP RPCs
- More F- sensitivity tests
 - Last year of BaBar running is good source of F-(and any other pollutants)
 - Test IHEP RPCs
- Cosmic ray tests (08)
- Need beam tests (09-10)?