Optimization of the X-Arapuca Photon Collector for the DUNE FD1 and FD2

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The DUNE PDS

LY requirement to boost the trigger (p-decay) and energy resolution (SN v) capabilities of the DUNE PDS::

- LY_{min}> 0.5 PE/MeV
- LY_{ave}> 20 PE/MeV
- PDE of XA: 2%-3%
- S/N > 4
- DCR/ch < 1 kHz

FD1

- 6000 XA devices (48 x 10 cm²) embedded in the three Anodic Planes
- SIPM: 48 x 6x6 mm² (1.73 cm² or 3.9% Si coverage) ganged @ 48
- LArTPC: Horizontal Drift



FD2

- 320 XA devices (58 x 58 cm²) on the cathode (320kV) → PoF bias/readout
- 320 XA devices on the membrane
- SiPM: 160 x 6 x 6 mm2 (5.8 cm² Si, 1.6% Si coverage) ganged @80
- LArTPC: Vertical Drift Technology

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The FD1 PDS & X-Arapuca device



- FD1-XA: (50 x 10 cm²)
- 4 SuperCells/module
- 10 module/APA
- 1500 Total Modules
- 1000 Double sided 500 single sided

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Four APA planes in pDUNE

: (10x PDS module) are

embedded in each

The FD2 PDS & X-Arapuca device

	WLS dimples	DF size (mm ²)	DF	SIPM	PoF	SoF	shared elec. box
M1		100x200	ZAOT	HPK			x
M2		100x200	ZAOT	HPK	-		x
M3	x	100x200	ZAOT	HPK			x
M4	X	100x200	ZAOT	HPK			x
M5	x	150x150	PE	FBK		x	
M6	x	150x150	PE	HPK			
M7	x	150x150	PE	HPK			
M8	x	150x150	PE	FBK			
C1		100x200	ZAOT	HPK	x	х	
C2		100x200	ZAOT	HPK	X	X	
C3		150x150	PE	FBK	x	X	
C4	x	150x150	PE	HPK	x	x	
C5	x	150x150	ZAOT	HPK	x	x	
C6	х	150x150	ZAOT	HPK	X	X	
C7	x	150x150	ZAOT	FBK	X	х	
C8	x	150x150	ZAOT	HPK	x	х	



In pDUNE-FD2 8 Memb-XA +8 cath.-XA + (6 optimized) deployed in 2023

4 (of 8) flex circuits with 20 SiPMs passively ganged at groups of 5



2 x Cath-XA & 1 x memb-XA in the CERN Coldbox

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Optimization (and measurements) of the XA PDE

- Developed methods and setup to accurately measure the absolute PDE of the XA device and
- Developed accurate simulation of the photon transport in the device
- Improved the XA components quality and configuration
 - ✓ WLS-LG plate (FD1 & FD2)
 - High grade PMMA embedding WLS-dye* showed superior performances of the BL PVT product**.
 - Tailored WLS-dye concentration and thickness vs. plate size.
 - ✓ WLS-LG Optical sealing (both FD1 & FD2)
 - Enhanced light trapping in the WLS
 - ✓ SiPM to WLS-LG coupling (both FD1 & FD2)
 - ✓ Dichroic Filters (only FD2)







Enhancement of the BL FD1-XA PDE: INFN-MiB

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Method: z-scanning of the whole cell (~2 Sr) with an ²⁴¹Am exposed α source (JINST 16 (2021)09027)





G2P WLS: Production for pDUNE FD1 & FD2





Glass-to-Power Co. <u>https://www.glasstopower.com/</u> is now the BL manufacturer and DUNE industrial partner.



Showed R&D and mass production capabilities

80 x WLS slabs for FD1-pDUNE: 48.0 x 9.3 x 0.38 cm³

Validated Casting, Laser cut and edge polishing procedures of the WLS from the as-casted plates..

16 (M0)+ 6 (M1) WLS slabs for pDUNE-FD2:

60.7 x 60.7 x (0.38 & 0.55) cm³

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G2P-WLS features & Performances

- **Superior Cryoresilience**: No cracks or failures in cooling/warming cycle at rate of 3-4 mm/sec of the 80 x FD1 pDUNE & 16 x FD2 Module-0 plates
- Superior light guiding surfaces as casted
- Superior LY and DCR of XA cells with PMMA vs PVT (BL) WLS



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FD1: Modified WLS-LG geometry

Major improvement of the FDI XA PDE cutting the WLS-LG in two parts by a 40° cut and improved LG light-sealing optimization via optical sims measurements with MiB setup



NE-XA: Features & Performances





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Alpha Spectra resolution, p.e. calibrated

- baseline
- p-DUNE WLS, NO G10 blocks, ZAOT
- p-DUNE WLS, G10 blocks, ZAOT
- WLS with cut, G10 blocks, ZAOT

All taken in the middle of the 3rd dichroic filter

mu = 692.704sigma = 31.4929mu = 749.976sigma = 30.3693mu = 962.185sigma = 38.2959mu = 1272.26sigma = 38.0256





Alpha Spectra resolution



HPK G2P - Resolution

 The 2 pieces WLS Ig improves the energy resolution w.r.t. all the other configurations



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WLS-LG: Attenuation length (λ_{att})

- Both the Absorbance of the pTP photons & the λ_{att} of the photons emitted by the secondary WLS depends on the WLS chromophore concentration
 The chromophore concentration & WLS-LG thickness are tuned to maximize the Photon Collection Efficiency (PCE)
- λ_{att} (400-500 nm) is the leading parameter for high PCE.
 Required: λ_{att} > Optical Path

$$A = \log_{10} (1/T)$$
$$T = I/I_{o} \exp(-d/\lambda_{att})$$
$$A = \varepsilon c d$$

- ϵ = molar extinction coeff.
- c = concentration
- d = optical path



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WLS- LG: chromophore concentration and thickness optimization for FD1 and FD2



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Dichroic Filter Optimization for the FD2 Module-0

- Found two new vendors for FD2 production
- DF Designed to operate in LAr (@45°), pass 300-400 nm & reflect 400-500 nm
- Pro: Improved transmittance in the pTP emission range
- Pro: Improved reflectivity in the WLS-LG emission range
- Cons: Narrower reflectivity window
- Size increased from 10 x 10 cm² to 15 x 15 cm² to increase XA the active surface



		Subs	Design		
ΟΡΤΟ	FD1	B270	45° Air		
ZAOT	FD2	BF33	45° LAr		
Photon Export	FD2	F.silica	45° LAr		

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The DFT curves measured in H2O

AOI H2O-to-LAr trasnformed by Snell law PE- DF: T Curves: 14.5 x 14.5 cm² for Module-0

Cutoff (n) =>
$$\lambda = \lambda_0 \sqrt{1 - \frac{n_1^2}{n_2^2} \sin^2 \theta}$$

ZAOT-DF: T Curves: 14.5 x 14.5 cm² for Module-0



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Assessment of Module-0 DF performances in a XA in LAr

- the PDE of one FD1-XA equipped with three BL DF (OPTO), three FD2 (ZAOT) has been measured with the MiB setup in LAr
- +10% PDE well reproduced by G4 simulations





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Summary

- > The PDE of the DUNE PDS building block has been measured and improved
- For The BL-FD1-XA (EJ WLS) a PDE <= 2% was measured</p>
- > The optimization of the FD1-XA components & relative configuration
 - ✓ Change of the BL WLS-LG → PDE~ 2.5%
 - The G2P PMMA WLS-LG is now the BL for FD1 & FD2
 - ✓ SiPM-to-WLS-LG contact & reflectors → PDE ~3.5%
 - ✓ WLS geometry to recover photons ineffective paths→ PDE ~5%
- The PDE of the FD2-BL XA as deployed in the FD2-ModuleO has been measured (F.Di Capua's talk) ~ 2% (preliminar)
- FD2-XA PDE optimization is being pursued
 - Optimization of the WLS chromophore concentration & thickness (M1)
 - Optimization of the Dichroic Filters (Module0 & Module1)
 - Optimization of the SiPM-to-WLS-LG contact

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FD2: SIPM - to Lightguide coupling

FD2-XA designed with no SiPM-to-WLS-LG gap. To follow the 1% shrink of the PMMA → ~6 mm

- SiPMs located on flex circuits + spring loaded mount
- SiPM in dimple cuts (flat or cylindrical) machined at the edges of WLS





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WLS-LG: Attenuation length (λ_{att})

For PMMA WLS-LG in LAr, the critical angle (θ_c) = 56°

- For θ > θc photons get trapped and guided by LG-TIR to SiPMs.
 λ_{att} > Optical Path (OP)
- For θ < θc photons leaves the LG and are guided by DF to SiPMs.
 Tens of reflections may happen before reaching the SiPMs: required superior Optical Density of the DF in the range 440-500 nm.



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