



MERIT Pump/Probe Data Analysis

Outline

- □ The pump/probe program
- Particle detector response correction
- Pump/probe analysis results

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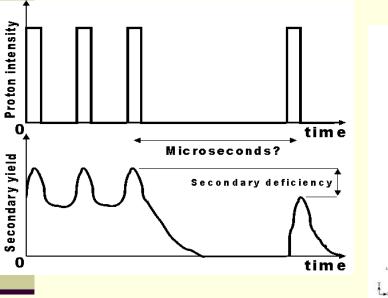


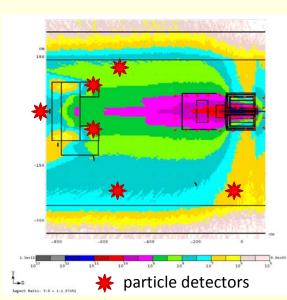
The pump/probe program



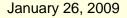


- Use of the CERN PS flexibility to change the time structure of the extracted beam
 - PS normally set for h=16 (i.e. up to 16 bunches in the machine)
 - 1st extraction : some bunches pump
 - 2nd extraction : remaining bunches
 > probe
 - same or following turns : Δt up to 700us



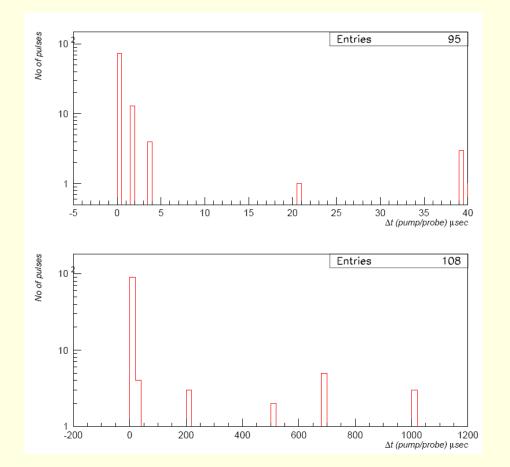


- Detectors installed around the experimental setup to measure the secondary particle flux
 - A pump/probe signal deficiency in the detectors could be interpreted as a sign of target density variation → cavitation
 - Expected accuracy: ~5%



The pump/probe program – run summary

- In total 108 beam pulses in pump/probe configuration
 - Including setting up shots
- Only 6 shots at 24 GeV/c
 the rest at 14 GeV/c
 beam
- Unfortunately not valid BCT information for all pulses
 - Need more work to extract and analyze all signals









Particle detector response correction





Concentrate on the diamond detector signal

- pCVD diamonds: ~1cm² sensitive area; only charged particle detection
- Bunch signal : integral of response over a fixed time window (131ns)

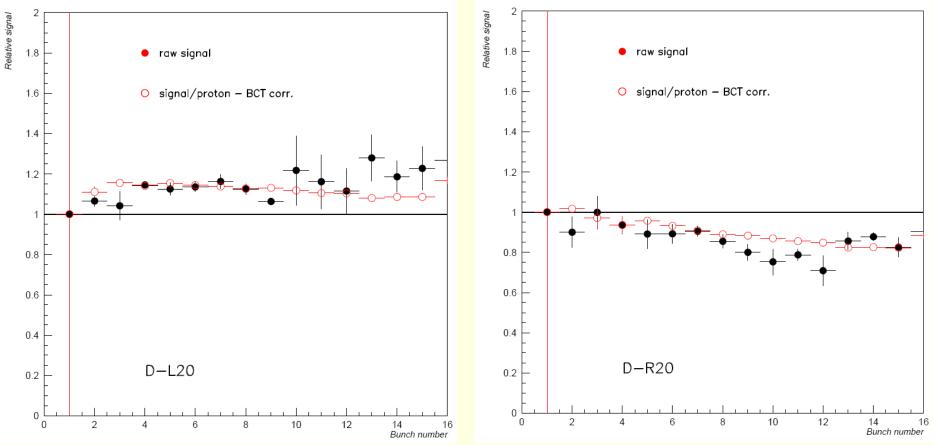
Corrections:

- Beam intensity fluctuations : BCT current transformer
- Detector response vs flux : apply average correction from ALL runs (i.e. not only pump/probe)





Data from ALL good runs with ∆t(bunch)=131ns

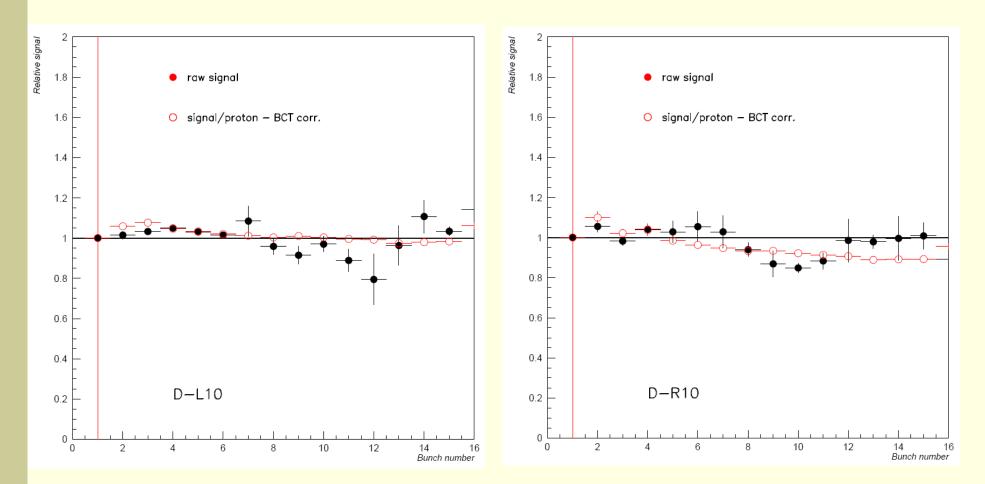


□ BCT correction improves the uniformity of response – as it should!
 □ Overall dependence to ~10% level → extract correction factors to remove the effect





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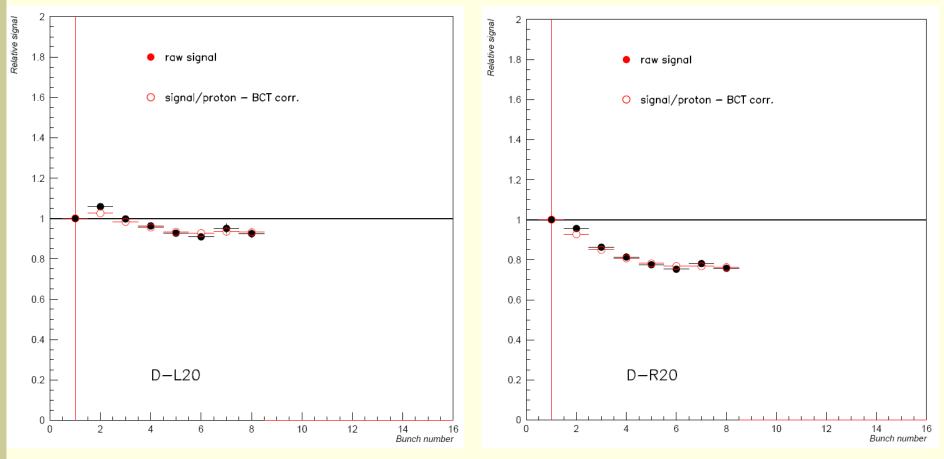


□ Smaller dependence – most likely due to higher signal amplitude





Data from ALL good runs with ∆t(bunch)=262ns



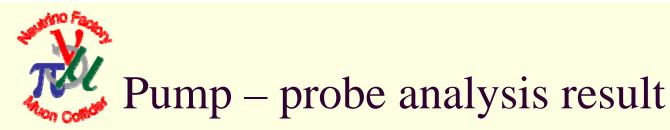
- Different effect with increased inter-bunch spacing
- \Box Signal amplitude is higher \rightarrow drain capacitance effect gets visible





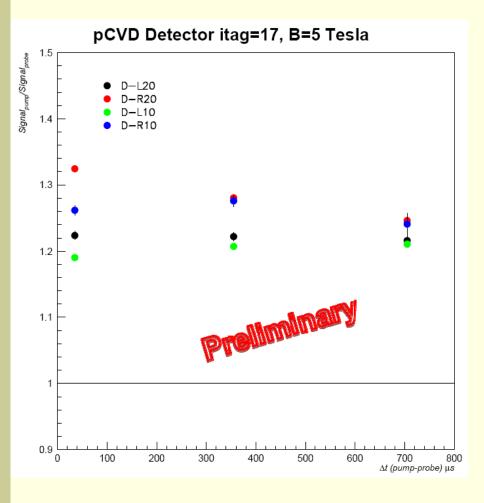
Pump – probe analysis results



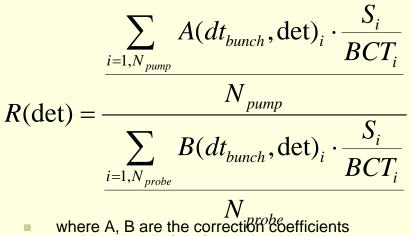




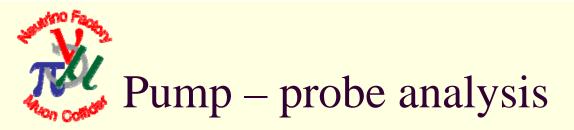
Data from pump-probe runs – various Δt (bunch)



The plotted ratio is:



- evaluated as before for each bunch
- No significant variation with Dt(pump/probe) observed
- If cavitation is formed in the target, then the ratio should increase with the pump-probe time distance (lower denominator)
- Need to better understand why the ratios turn higher than 1.0
 - Systematic in the analysis
 - Wrong response of BCT transformer





Summary - next steps

- Status of the analysis putting together the BCT and particle detector data is presented.
- Average corrections to the particle detector signals has been developed.
- Preliminary results indicate no large difference in the response in pump/probe signals
- Next steps: continue working on the analysis, refine the applied corrections and combine the real data with MC simulation results