INSIDE Project

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The dose delivered by hadrons in materials fallows the Bragg Peak distribution => PT is particularly suitable for deep and localized tumors.



Several pencil beams can be combined in order to "shape" the maximum dose release region.







Reduced Multiple Scattering More affected by fragmentation

- Reduced fragmentation
- More affected by Multiple Scattering



The combination of many radiation fields allows improving the performances for loco-regional tumors. The combination of few proton beams is extremely powerful in preserving the healthy tissues.



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This dose distribution allows to irradiate the cancer reducing the damages for the surrounding volumes

TREATMENT UNCERTAINTIES IN ION BEAM THERAPY

- o TPS dose calculation errors
- Inhomogeneities, metallic implants
- Conversion HU ion range
- CT artifacts

@ Difference TP/ delivery

- Daily setup variation
- Internal organ motion
- Anatomical/physiological changes
- Daily practice of compromising
 dose conformity for safe
 delivery



Particle Therapy in EUROPE





MONITORING

In conventional RT (i.e. with photons), the beam crosses the patient body and can be used for monitoring. In PT the beam is absorbed inside the patient. An ideal PT monitor device should:

- Check shape (compulsory) and absolute value (desirable);
 Exploit as signal the
 - secondary particles, generated by the beam, coming out from the patient, dealing with the background of the other secondaries;



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Measurements and feed-back should be provided during the treatment (in-beam). Best, in active system, if the monitor can follow "on line" the irradiation scan (!)
Must be integrated in the treatment environment and work-flow: nozzle, couch, positioning system, controls...

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PET HEADS

DOSE PROFILER



Exploiting betat and charged secondary particles emitted during the treatments we want to monitor ONLINE:

the dose released on
the patient;
the beam positioning;





PET HEADS



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Trained Geant4 MC

E. Testa et al Phys. Med. Biol. 57 4655



Emission distribution shape of protons as detected outside different PMMA thickness at 30° wrt the direction of 95 MeV/u ¹²C beam

 The charged secondary particles
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 is correlated
 with the Bragg
 Peak position;



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For the CNAO measurements we design a cart in order to hold up the detectors reducing any possible interference with the therapy procedures



 Full in-beam PET system able to sustain annihilation, prompt photon and neutron rates during the beam irradiation (in-beam and inter-spill);

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Each module is composed of a pixelated LYSO matrix 16 x 16 pixels, 3 mm x 3 mm crystals (pitch 3.1mm).

Total sensitive area of a module: 5 cm x 5 cm.

LYSO matrix readout: array of SiPM (16x16 pixels) coupled one-to-one.



PET HEADS BACKGROUND

DOPET: an in-beam PET monitor for hadrontherapy

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Two PET heads, each made of 2x2 squared position-sensitive photomultipliers (Hamamatsu H8500) coupled to LYSO:Ce scintillating crystal arrays (2x2x18 mm3 pixel size).

NEW

CNAO: 95 MeV proton beam on PMMA inbeam and off-beam acquisition

PET HEADS BACKGROUND

DOPET: an in-beam PET monitor for hadrontherap

The annihilation map is reconstructed with Maximum Likelihood Estimation Maximization (MLEM) Iterative algorithm





Detection of photon and charged particles:
 =>reconstruction track and interacting point



Back track the <u>charged</u> <u>secondary particles</u>

 Detection of a prompt photon via compton
 effect and reconstruct
 its emission point



DOSE PROFILER BACKGROUND

Measured emission profile (¹²C @PMMA)

BP correlation with emission profile



DOSE PROFILER BACKGROUND

Measured fluxes

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 $\sim 10^{-3} \text{ sr}^{-1} @ 80 \text{MeV} / \text{u}^{-12} \text{C} \text{ beam, } 90^{\circ}$

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SCHEMATIC SIDE VIEW OF THE DOSE PROFILER





300 mm

1st layer

Bragg peak is correlated to the secondary particles emission point (reconstructed by backtracking

Sketch view

FLUKA simulation

Energy released in fibers vs energy in the plastic scintillator



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TimeTable 2015/2016

PET HEADS

- 1. Electronics, mechanics, DAQ finalization
- 2. PH(1) PH(2) assembly
- 3. Software reconstruction implementation
- 4. Calibration tests

DOSE PROFILER

- 1. DP assembly (Electronics, mechanics, DAQ)
- 2. Software reconstruction finalization
- 3. Integration HW and SW
- 4. Calibration tests

> End 2016 test on phantom





WORK FOR PATIENT TREATMENTS TEST !













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BACKUP



Detector resolution





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Protons

The p, d and t measured *fluxes* for the 60° and 90° experimental configurations are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN_{\rm p}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 60^{\circ}) &= (8.78 \pm 0.07_{\rm stat} \pm 0.64_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \\ \frac{dN_{\rm d}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 60^{\circ}) &= (3.71 \pm 0.04_{\rm stat} \pm 0.37_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \\ \frac{dN_{\rm t}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 60^{\circ}) &= (0.91 \pm 0.01_{\rm stat} \pm 0.21_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \\ \frac{dN_{\rm p}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 90^{\circ}) &= (1.83 \pm 0.02_{\rm stat} \pm 0.14_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \\ \frac{dN_{\rm d}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 90^{\circ}) &= (0.78 \pm 0.01_{\rm stat} \pm 0.09_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \\ \frac{dN_{\rm t}}{N_{\rm C}d\Omega}(\theta = 90^{\circ}) &= (0.128 \pm 0.005_{\rm stat} \pm 0.028_{\rm sys}) \times 10^{-3} \ sr^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

The measurements are systematically dominated, where the leading contributions to the uncertainties are coming from the PID (see section 3.2 for details) and DAQ dead time evaluations.





TRACKER: planes' readout



- new MPPC (SiPM) => higher efficiency (35%)/noise ratio (two 1mmx1mm pieces now at Milan)
- 20x20 pixel (50 μ mx50 μ m) => for one fiber 10x10 pixel

<u>For a m.i.p.:</u> 2MeV/cm = 20000 ph/cm = 1000 ph/fiber => 1000 x 4% x 35% ~ 17 p.e./fiber/m.i.p.















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2013

Time Schedule

profiler layout optimization with MC

from MILANO March

reconstruction algorithm development

2014

- fibers test
- electronics and DAQ design
- one plane module assembly => M.Magi
- other planes assembly and tests .. before Christmas!
- stand alone mechanics
- electronics production
- calorimeter realization

2015

- profiler assembly (mechanics, electronics, DAQ &TRG)
- integration HW & SW
- global device test & characterization

LNF start working effectively from June!

Milan is working to the test board



