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# A LASER SYSTEM TO MONITOR THE LS TRANSPARENCY

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## OUTLINE

#### • Motivation

• The Liquid Scintillator of JUNO

- Laser System
  - Conceptual Design
  - Determination Method
- Summary

## MOTIVATION

- Determination of ...
  - attenuation length L
  - scattering length L<sub>s</sub>
  - absorption length L<sub>a</sub>
- for big volume

- Monitoring of L, L<sub>s</sub> & L<sub>a</sub>
  - are there changes over time?
- Measuring gradient in refractive index  $n(\lambda,T)$ 
  - might influence photon propagation



#### laser system

## THE LIQUID SCINTILLATOR OF JUNO

- Transparency
  - attenuation of light propagating through an absorber
- Attenuation length L:
  - combination of absorption length L<sub>a</sub> & scattering length L<sub>s</sub>

$$I(x) = I_0 e^{-x/L}$$













 $\lambda(\overline{\gamma_1}) < \overline{\lambda(\gamma_2)} < \lambda(\overline{\gamma_3})$ 



- Wavelength shift takes place on the first meters
  - after that mostly Rayleigh scattering

Rayleigh Scattering Length determines LS Transparency

### CONCEPTUAL DESIGN



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Roithner Lasertechnik class 3B, 430 nm already bought



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#### FIBER TERMINATION & GRIN LENS



- Light collimation under water with ordinary lenses is difficult
- GRIN lenses are working also in optical thicker media
- GRIN lens is mounted directly on the optical fiber
- Laser light is collimated during its way through the GRIN lens

#### BEAM WIDTH ALONG THE PATH



• aperture angle is 0.3°

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#### PMT PROFILE VS. BEAM PROFILE



- Area of beam
  - gaussian profile
- Intensity between PMTs
  - 71.7%

Aperture angle still too big

### PIN HOLE FOR FIBER TERMINATION



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- Pinhole mounted on supporting structure
  - further reduction of aperture angle
  - has to be at least smaller than 0.1°

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## Fiber Termination Holder (FTH)

#### Main Purpose:

- laser beam must not hit PMTs directly
  - FTH should be slewable
- using piezoelectrical crystals
  - no magnetic field
  - do not influence performance of PMTs

How to control and adjust the termination holder?:

- Piezo Driver of FTH should operate by remote control
  - easier handling & independent from location
- Driver has to communicate with piezo crystals
  - providing them with the right voltage
- digitizer has to use PMTs output for adjustment
  - interface with PMTs is necessary
- collected data should be shared with "offline people"

Should be doable with **IOC**s based on **EPICS** 

#### Next Steps:

- construction of FTH
- setting up the software to control the FTH

**CeramTec** SealActor Piezo Crystal



Workshop of Uni Mainz 1<sup>st</sup> design suggestion for FTH

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## WORKING PRINCIPLE

- linear expansion of piezos is translated into rotation
  - using screws fixed on a support structure
- the shorter the lever arm of force, the bigger the rotation angle
  - coupled system for  $\theta$  and  $\phi$ -direction





- Measuring amount & distribution of photon hits
- MC for different L, L<sub>s</sub> & L<sub>a</sub>
  - knowledge of L<sub>water</sub>
  - knowledge of absorbance of acrylic
  - Likelihood method to determine values for L, L<sub>s</sub> & L<sub>a</sub> of liquid scintillator



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#### Determination of L, L<sub>s</sub> & L<sub>a</sub>

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350 Phi [°]

## SUMMARY

- Most of the components are already bought
  - in the near future, focusing on fiber termination holder (FTM)
- Currently, working on ...
  - characterization of single components
  - design of FTM
  - setting up the software to control FTM

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



Further ideas & suggestions for improvement are appreciated! e-Mail address: widepner@uni-mainz.de

## ATTACHMENT

### LOCATION OF FIBER TERMINATION – CENTER BEAM



## LOCATION OF FIBER TERMINATION – OFF-CENTER BEAM



## LASER SOURCE



CW405-01 class 2



RLT430-50CMG class 3B

- Roithner LaserTechnik GmbH
- Operating at  $\lambda$  = 430 nm
  - primary Rayleigh scattering
- High photon statistics
  - low absorption
  - high PMT QE



bis-MSB spectra

## COUPLING UNIT

- Laser light is coupled into optical fiber
  - requires precise adjustment
  - using first aspheric lens for collimation
  - using second aspheric lens for coupling



coupling into optical fiber



- Using laser holder from Thorlabs
  - is movable/slewable in xy-direction
- Using holders for aspheric lenses from Thorlabs
  - are movable in xyz-direction

## FIBER SWITCH

- High transparency in UV/VIS region
- Controllable by PC (USB connection)
- One Inlet & Sixteen Outlets
  - one fiber for the reference measurements
  - other fibers to address multiple laser subsystems

Subsystems are separated from each other







schematic of fiber switch

### SENSITIVITY STUDY - APPROACH

- 1<sup>st</sup> step: Producing a **LookUpTable** (LUT) for different value pairs
  - going through L- and L<sub>s</sub>-ranges...
  - L [L<sub>min</sub>=15m, L<sub>max</sub>=30m]
  - $L_s [L_{s,min} = L_{min} + 1m, L_{s,max} = 40m]$
  - checking, if L<sub>a</sub> value is satisfying L<sub>a</sub> range
  - L<sub>a</sub> [L<sub>a,min</sub> =40m, L<sub>a,max</sub> =120m]



- value pairs which do not satisfy these ranges are rejected
- due to simulation time only 1 million photons for each value pair
- 2<sup>nd</sup> step: Producing a **Sample Data Set** with L=20m, L<sub>s</sub>=30m & L<sub>a</sub>=60m
- Simulation of an ideal scenario
  - perfect collimated light beam
  - beam goes through the detector center (hits surfaces under an 90° angle)

## SENSITIVITY STUDY – PRELIMINARY RESULTS



Including only statistical fluctuations

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- True & Best Fit Location are at least close to each other
  - higher statistics will improve results

## CONCLUSION

- Determination method is working...
  - still space for improvement
  - further development of analysis algorithm
  - increase statistics for LUT and Data Set Sample
- Systematics should be studied and taken into account
  - pivoting angle of the laser beam
  - aperture angle of the laser beam
  - changing values for acrylic transparency
  - changing values for water transparency

## PERFORMANCE OF DETERMINATION METHOD



## SYSTEMATICS

- It might happen, that a laser beam does not go through the detector center
  - hits acrylic sphere not under an 90° angle  $\rightarrow$  refraction
- What is the influence on the sensitivity?

## INFLUENCE OF A PIVOTING ANGLE



Looks like the sensitivity is deteriorated?

## INFLUENCE OF A PIVOTING ANGLE ON L

#### Pivoting Angle Dependancy of L

fit values



## INFLUENCE OF A PIVOTING ANGLE ON L



Effect on performance is smaller than the statistical fluctuations

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## INFLUENCE OF A PIVOTING ANGLE ON L<sub>S</sub> & L<sub>A</sub>



• Same situation for the L<sub>s</sub> & L<sub>a</sub>

#### GAUS PROFILE OF LASER BEAM



#### APERTURE ANGLE VS. BEAM INTENSITY



## OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS

• Thorlabs: PM130D

(PowerMeter)

- λ: 400 nm 1100 nm
- A: 9.5 x 9.5 mm<sup>2</sup>
- P: 0.5 nW 500mW



- Edmund Optics: #89-308 (Beam Profiler)
  - λ: 350 nm 1150 nm
  - A: 11.3 x 6.0 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - pixel size: 5.5 x 5.5  $\mu$ m<sup>2</sup>
  - saturation: 10W/cm<sup>2</sup>

