Further development of the QCLAM and Lintott spectrometers *



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- Present detector and data acquisition systems
- New system at QCLAM spectrometer
- Status and outlook

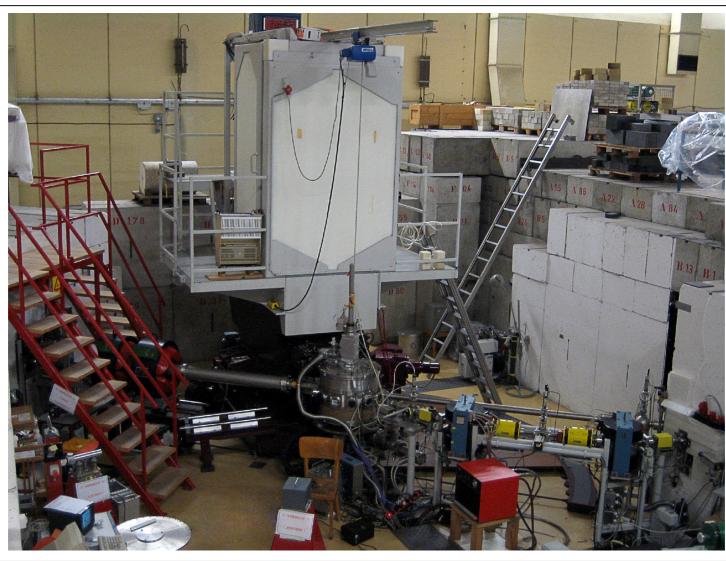
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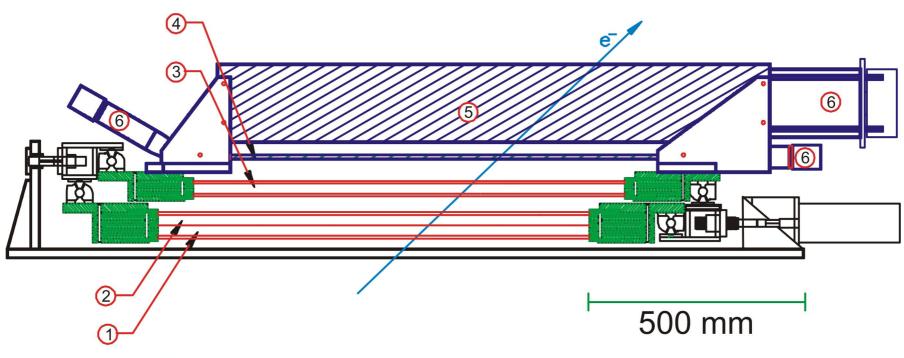
QCLAM spectrometer





Detector System at the QCLAM Spectrometer



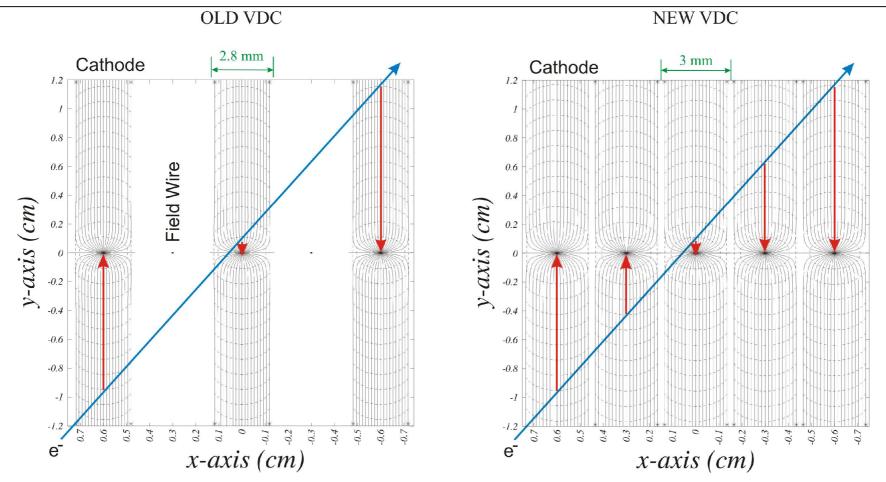


- ① VDC X1
- ② VDC U
- ③ VDC X2

- Scintillator
- ⑤ Cherenkov detector
- © Photomultiplier

New MWDC





- More precise event reconstruction
- Higher efficiency for events with large intersection angle

Present data acquisition system (DAQ)



- Four independent stages in signal processing
 - → preamplifier
 - → discriminator
 - \rightarrow TDC
 - → readout electronics
- Each 9th wire connected to the same TDC channel
 - → Hit pattern signal needed for wire identification
- Readout of TDC values and hit pattern by MICROS
 - → controlled through VAX/VMS software
 - → VAX/AXP/VMS cluster does not exist anymore
 - → solution: VAX/VMS emulator under Linux

Why new DAQ?



- New MWDCs require new electronics
- "Black boxes": no documentation for some components
- Obsolete electronic components (more than 15 years old)
- Control through outdated VAX/VMS software

Requirements on new DAQ



- Based on standardized components and interfaces
- High number of channels (832) for new MWDCs requires a large scale integration of hardware modules
- Control software based on standard platform (Linux, Windows)

Concept and status of new DAQ



- Single preamplifier, discriminator and TDC for each wire
- New preamplifiers designed and produced in IKP
- **Discriminators** → designed in IKP → control via CAN-Busm → provide necessar TDC 128 channel C → direct readout by VME-CPU (R Software develor → TDC

→ readout and data analysis

Status



- Computer system updated + internal network for QCLAM/Lintott
- AXP/VAX/VMS emulators to control present DAQ and to use some old software (PhaShi, FIT)
- Si microstrip detector system works well
- Backup detectors available
- Improvement of ion optics for dispersion matching
 - → Diploma thesis of Tobias Weilbach

