

Multi-Anode Square Microchannel Plate Photomultiplier Tube

AuraTek[™] MAPMT253

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AuraTek™ MAPMT253



- A 64×64 anode square MCP-PMT
- Derived from novel PMT development with the TORCH group
- Unique build provides short front (1.5 2 mm) and rear (3 mm) gaps
- Anode pattern can be reconfigured using Anisotropic Conductive Film (ACF) to simplify layout, e.g. 8×8 (PANDA), 64×8 (TORCH)
- Sample devices provided to Erlangen, Argonne, CERN (AFP) & JLAB (EIC)

TORCH Design



- The TORCH project developed a novel anode that deliberately spread the charge across 2 - 3 pads
- Position reconstructed by the relative charge measured on each channel
- TORCH target $\sigma = 0.12$ mm
- $\sigma = 0.096$ mm (0.225 mm FWHM) derived from pads on a 0.828 mm pitch
- The MAPMT253 uses the traditional D.C. coupled anode







AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Geometrical / Mechanical



Mechanical Properties	MAPMT253
Input Window Material	Fused Silica or Sapphire
Input Window Thickness (mm)	5.0
Photocathode area (mm)	53×53
Photocathode – MCP Gap (mm)	1.6
MCP – Anode Gap (mm)	3.0
MCP Pore Diameter* (µm)	15
Bare Tube Dimensions (mm)	59×59×13
Housed Tube Dimensions (mm)	60×61×13
Native Anode Pattern	64×64
Native Anode Pitch (mm)	0.828

*Currently assessing 6 µm pore MCPs



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AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Anode Format Options

- Unrealistic to individually connect all 4096 connections in 64×64 array to front-end electronics
- However, this format gives flexibility to gang pads together
- We have an ACF (anisotropic conductive film) kit to bond various PCB designs to the output pads of the PMT
- Gang 8×8 pads together
- 8×8 array
- e.g. MCX co-ax

- Gang 4×4 pads together
- 16×16 array
- e.g. SSMCX co-ax





- Gang 8×1 pads together
- 8×64 array
- e.g. Samtec 140-pin multi-way







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AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Gain & Uniformity



- Test device configured with 8×8 readout pattern
- Nominal gain 10⁶
- These results show Peak / Valley > 8 and max/min ratio of 1.5



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AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Photocathode Uniformity

- PHOTEK ENVISAGE THE FUTURE
- The cathode uniformity was analysed by spot measurements using the Photek photometer
- Photometer spot size ø ~ 11 mm
- Full cathode scanner should be operational soon



AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Single Photon Timing Accuracy



- Gain ~ 10⁶
- Photek LPG-650 laser source
 ~ 40 ps FWHM
- Signals measured on LeCroy Wavemaster 808Zi-A (8 GHz, 40 GS/s), measuring each pulse's timestamp at 50% of peak amplitude on the leading edge to correct for amplitude walk
- Referenced against Photek
 PD010 photodiode reference
- Test device configured with 8×8 readout pattern, single channel analysed



AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Rate Capability



- Tested OK up to 0.6 MHz/cm² at Erlangen
- Independently verified by AFP group on the same device
- Strip current could be ~ 50% higher



AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Fine Pitch Cross Talk



Test device configured with 8×64 readout pattern (TORCH design)

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- 0.828 mm pitch between channels
- Single photon gain peak ~ 1.2×10⁶
- Threshold 50% of gain peak

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Photek LPG-650 focussed to ~ 150 µm spot



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AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Edge Effects (multi-photon)



- Perimeter anodes exhibit an inverted signal at a level of 2.5 3.0% of the peak pulse amplitude
- The amplitude of this edge effect remains 2.5 3.0% of the peak signal independent of pulse amplitude
- Since the amplitude of the edge effect is inverted it should not create false triggers
- For reference, the average signal for a single photon in these measurements had amplitude of 12 mV
- Adding a decoupling capacitor to the MCP Output electrode actually made the effect worse!



AuraTek™ MAPMT253 Lifetime



- We have achieved an accumulated anode charge of > 5 C/cm² on several test devices and are working towards further improvements
- We performed an audit on square PMT manufacture, looking at:
 - Materials & preparation
 - ALD coating & baking
 - MCP scrubbing
- Currently making more devices for life tests



AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Detective Quantum Efficiency



- Detective Quantum Efficiency: DQE = Photocathode QE × MCP Collection Efficiency (CE)
- Traditional MCPs have ~ 60% CE
- We have a method that:
 - Directly measures the photocathode current
 - Scales the input light to photon counting level
 - Measures photon detection rate
- Using the same MCP glass and ALD coating as the MAPMT253, we have measured CE of ~ 90%
- CE measured at Erlangen ~ 83% (±10%) Thanks to Albert Lehmann

AuraTek[™] MAPMT253 Magnetic Field Effects

- Magnetic field experiments by Junqi Xie of Argonne National Labs
- We expect this to improve considerably with the switch to 6 µm pore MCPs
- Junqi has also shown that a magnetic field does not affect the position of the electron shower







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