

Manual for PMT Scanning

Taking Data

- 1) Before opening the darkbox, make sure the high voltage is OFF. NOTE: If high voltage is ON, after turning the switch to the off position, WAIT for the high voltage to fully turn off (should take a few seconds).
- 2) Align the PMT with the LED. DO NOT CHANGE THE VERTICAL POSITION OF THE PLATFORM THE PMT RESTS ON. Make sure that the PMT will not rotate during the test.
- 3) Plug the high voltage cable into the port on the outside of the darkbox.
- 4) Turn on the step motor. Press the green button.
- 5) Close the darkbox and place the black blanket over it.
- 6) Turn on the high voltage, reset the counter, start the data run.
- 7) Record the run number, the dimensions of the matrix (the number of data points in each row and in each column), and the high voltage used.
- 8) When data run is finished, turn off high voltage.

Analyzing Data

- 1) Open terminal
- 2) Type in the username: `su` and password: `linux!` and hit enter
- 3) Type `./home/DAQ/root/bin/thisroot.sh` and press enter
- 4) Type `cd ScanningAnalysis/` and press enter
- 5) Type `../coda2ascii /home/DAQ/coda/test_(run#).dat > /home/DAQ/(run#).txt` and press enter
- 6) Type `root` and press enter
- 7) Type `.x ConvertADCFiles.C("../(run#).txt", "(run#).txt", 3)` and press enter
 - a. Last parameter is the channel number the output signal from the PMT goes to in the ADC. Make sure that the output signal cable goes into channel 3 on ADC.
- 8) Type `.x ReadScanning.C("(run#).txt", "(run#).root", 1, 10, 10, 1000)` and press enter
 - a. Numbers in the Parameters List
 - i. 1: gain
 - ii. 10: size of matrix; number of data points per row and per column; make sure to change these two parameters to the # of data points taken per row
 - iii. 1000: number of events per data point
- 9) Exit root (command: `.q` and press enter); and open root again if needed
- 10) Go to home folder, then to scanning analysis and click on `(run#).png` to open image.
- 11) Save to a flashdrive. DO NOT SEND IMAGE BY E-MAIL. THAT WILL NOT WORK ON THE COMPUTER IN THE ROOM.

NOTE: All words, phrases, etc. in **BLUE** are commands for terminal and root.