

LVD: monitor del fascio CNGS al Gran Sasso

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The CNGS Beam





$$v_{\mu}$$
, ~ 23 GeV

At GS Labs:

- ~ 2600 CC/kt/y
 - ~ 800 NC/kt/y
- ~17(CC+NC)/kt/day

Adequate monitoring: stat. errors 3% in few days are requested

CERN-SL-2000-063EA CERN-SL-2001-016EA

MuonsfromνμCCinteractions in the rock.



"to get some feed-back":

Neutrino flux monitors at Gran Sasso

monitor intensity and time-stability of beam



CNGS - a long baseline neutrino beam facility in Europe, presented by K. Elsener (CERN) at Aarhus University

Beam Parameters



Beam parameters	Nominal CNGS beam	
Nominal energy [GeV]	400	
Normalized emittance [π mm mrad]	H=12 V=8	
Emittance [µm]	H=0.028 V= 0.016	
Beam size at focal point [mm]	$\sigma_x, \sigma_y = 0.53$	
Beam divergence at FP [mrad]	$\sigma_{x}' = 0.053 / \sigma_{y}' = 0.03$	
# extractions per cycle (16.8 s)	2 separated by 50 ms	
Batch length [us]	10,5	
# of bunches per pulse	2100	
Intensity per extraction [10 ¹³ p]	2,2	Upgrade
Bunch length [ns] (4s)	2	phase:
Bunch spacing [ns]	5	3.3 10-5 p
Protons on target per year	4.5 10 ¹⁹	

Effective Beam Uptime 0.11 s /day, 2.2 10¹³ p.o.t./spill

Large Volume Detector





kton scintillator for detector neutrino astronomy @ LNGS, 15 vears 1992-2007 scintillator counters **n** a compact and modular arranged i geometry roy Threshold: ~5 MeV f ne Secondary **Energy** Threshold: ~ 1 for i ms after the trigger

> CNGS BEAM MONITOR WITH THE LVD DETECTOR. Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 516, 96-103 (2004)





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LVD monitoring of the CNGS beam



Neutrinos from CNGS are observed through:

- the detection of muons produced in neutrino CC interactions in the surrounding rock
- the detection of the products of the neutrino NC and CC interactions in the detector volume (scintillator and structure).
- MC simulation to characterize detector response and optimize data selection. h=370 m





Main cuts of the LVD data selection:

• Events with at least one scintillator counter with an energy release greater than 100 MeV.

Background rejection:

• time coincidence of the event with the CNGS time spill (spill 10.5 μ s and 50 ms gap): residual background 0.1 event/day

From the Montecarlo simulation we expect 7.147 10⁻¹⁶ events/proton on target (p.o.t.) 160 events/day (at nominal intensity)

Event Display: μ from rock



SIDE VIEW \rightarrow EVENT 8 $(\underline{E}_{5}^{1200})_{N}^{200}$ 800 beam Simulation ! 600 400 200 0 250 750 2250 0 500 1000 1250 1500 1750 2000 Y (cm) TOP VIEW \rightarrow EVENT 8 $\overset{(1400)}{\underset{\times}{\overset{1200}{\overset{}_{\scriptscriptstyle 5}}}}$ >1. 1. 1000 Energy Scale (GeV) 800 bear 600 0.5 400 0.3 200 0.2 0.1 0 250 500 750 1000 1250 1500 1750 2000 2250 ١ō. Ď Y (cm)

Event Display: internal $\,\nu$ CC

Missing $E_{IRON} = 7.0$

GeV



μ

YZ PROJECTION \rightarrow EVENT 51



0.3

0.2

0.1

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Hadronic jet

Simulation !

Event Display: internal $\, v \,$ NC



YZ PROJECTION \rightarrow EVENT 68



Simulation !

Missing $E_h = 1.6 \text{ GeV}$

Missing $E_{IRON} = 8.1 GeV$



MC Simulation Expectations



	Volume (m3)	Mass (t)		
Scintillator	1340	1044		
Structure	98.5	770		
νμ interaction in LVD	CC 4770/year	NC 1460/year		
~30 (CC+NC)/day				
Crossing muons	33600/year	92% Cuts Efficiency and 79% Geometrical Efficiency		
	~120/day	·		

Results: Beam Commissioning



- Commissioning week 14th 18th August 2006
- On the 16th the first beam spills @ high intensity: about 1.3 10¹³ p.o.t./spill
- The integrated beam intensity during this period was 2.75 10^{15} p.o.t. and we expected 1.9 events.
- We observed 2 events; cosmic background 0.07.
- On August 16th, at 20:08:03 UTC, the LVD detector has seen the first CNGS event: $O \nu E$!





SIDE VIEW \rightarrow EVENT 138950



Results: first CNGS Run



Aug 18th, 11:30 UTC -Aug 30th, 3:00 UTC

Intensity @ start time: 1.4 x 10¹³ p.o.t./spill

Integrated intensity: 8.0 10¹⁷ p.o.t.

578 events expected in LVD582 observed



Background Rate in LVD

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Background Events: all events with 1 or more counters with at least 100 Mev release, 0.4 Hz.



- CNGS events searched in a ± 15 μs windows around the spill time.
- 2. 56976 spills found in the CERN-CNGS database. 56976 x 30 μ s x 0.4 Hz = 0.7 events.
- 3. Among the 582 detected events, less than 1 is due to the background.

ν interacions in LVD



SIDE VIEW \rightarrow EVENT 16584



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Energy Scale (GeV)

μ crossing in LVD



SIDE VIEW \rightarrow EVENT 80661









Rate of LVD Events



Agreement between the observed events and the expected from the beam intensity!

Time Event Distribution

Events



* The LVD events time distribution agrees with the duration of the spill!



Comparison with MC Simulation



Number of hit Counters
Energy Release
Blank data Red Simulation





Muon direction: Side View

334 events (over 582) are reconstructed with a good χ^2



Muon direction: Top View





Conclusions



CNGS & LVD	Intensity (p.o.t.)	CNGS events in LVD
Nominal	<i>4.5 10 ¹⁹ per year</i>	~ <i>160 / day</i>
<i>Commissioning Aug. 14-18</i>	<i>2.79 10 ¹⁵</i>	<i>1.9 expected 2 detected</i>
First Run Aug. 18 (11.30) - 30 (03.00)	8.10 10 ¹⁷	<i>578 expected</i> <i>582 detected</i>

The analisys of LVD data shows that:

the CNGS beam is working as it was expected



