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High Voltage Divider Board Design Review May 3, 2012

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Overview / Motivation

mini-Time Cube (mTC)

- 2 liter doped plastic scintillator, neutrino detector via inverse-beta decay process
- Utilizes micro channel plate (MCP) photomultiplier tubes (PMTs) to detect scintillation light
 - The PMTs require
 high voltages between
 their cathode and anode



*Inverse beta decay schematic

*Required divider circuit from Photonis data sheet

Specifications

- 24 channels of high voltage (~2.4kV)
 - Realized via two 12-channel PCBs
- Printed circuit board will divide high voltage; supplying 4 voltages to each PMT (Cathode, MCP-IN, MCP-OUT, Anode)

Each channel will dissipate ~1W

Layout



Problems / Solutions

- Test dividers with low voltage; to commence presently
- Using W-Ie-Ne-R (Mpod) high voltage supply
 - Software provided controls low voltage, not high voltage.
 - Additional software needs to be developed.
- Thermal Dissipation
 - 12W per HV board
 - Common issue for mTC electronics. Fans to circulate air, input and output already built into detector enclosure.

Thank You

Now check out the board