

Scintillator HCAL

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- Scintillators
- Photodetectors
- Technology implementation
- Physics performance
- * I mpossible to completely cover all issues in 10 minutes – see Dhiman Chakraborty's talk in the SiD session for a more comprehensive treatment



Scintillators

- Originally a baseline/backup solution
- Proven technology
- Robust, high rate capability
- sufficiently rad hard
 - 1 Mrad = 10 kGy or 10^{15} n
- Cheap (not a cost driver)
- Thoroughly optimized
 - Studies at NIU, ITEP, DESY/LPI, ...





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E.g. cross talk, uniformity



X talk 2.5% (neighbors, corners negligible)

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Silicon Photo-Multipliers

- Pixel Geiger Mode APDs
- Gain 10⁶, bias ~ 50 V, size 1 mm²



Auto-calibrating, but non-linear





SiPM noise



0.25 MIP threshold: efficient, quiet



Testbeam results

- 100 SiPM channel "minical"
- Non-linearity can be corrected (at tile level)
 - Does not deteriorate resolution





SiPM Developments

- Driven by bigger markets (PET)
- First tests with Hamamatsu devices reported at LCWS, more details at Beaune conference
 - Performance similar to MEPHI /PULSAR devices, but better sensitivity to blue light
- MEPHI has tested larger area SiPMs

0-100-1.5 (100 pixels), U=48.9V, T=22.6C



- Large area + blue sensitivity: eliminate WLS fibre and couple the SiPM directly to the tile edge
 - Big simplification!

SiPM 3x3 mm², 5625 pixels



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Technolgy Implementation

- In its infancy
- Still to develop
 - Front end electronics
 - Readout boards
 - Calibration system





Granularity

• Scintillators: trade granularity against amplitude resolution





HCAL only

 3cm tile size optimized for shower separation – and semidigital readout



PFLOW performance

• By far not the final word, but state of the art



Analogue Tile HCal (3x3 cm² tile size)

Digital RPC HCal (1x1 cm² pad size)

A. Raspereza



I maging quality

- Shower in scintillator appears* wider than in gas
- Large model dependence of shower width





Making decisions



Henry Ford I







RPCs,, GEMs, and Scint





- Scintillators are proven, robust and well optimized
- SiPMs open the possibility for highly granular "imaging" calorimeters and have a promising development potential
- The calorimeter technology implementation has only begun
- Performance comparison with gaseous HCALs is highly modeldependent
- The confrontation of technologies is a BIG (testbeam) effort