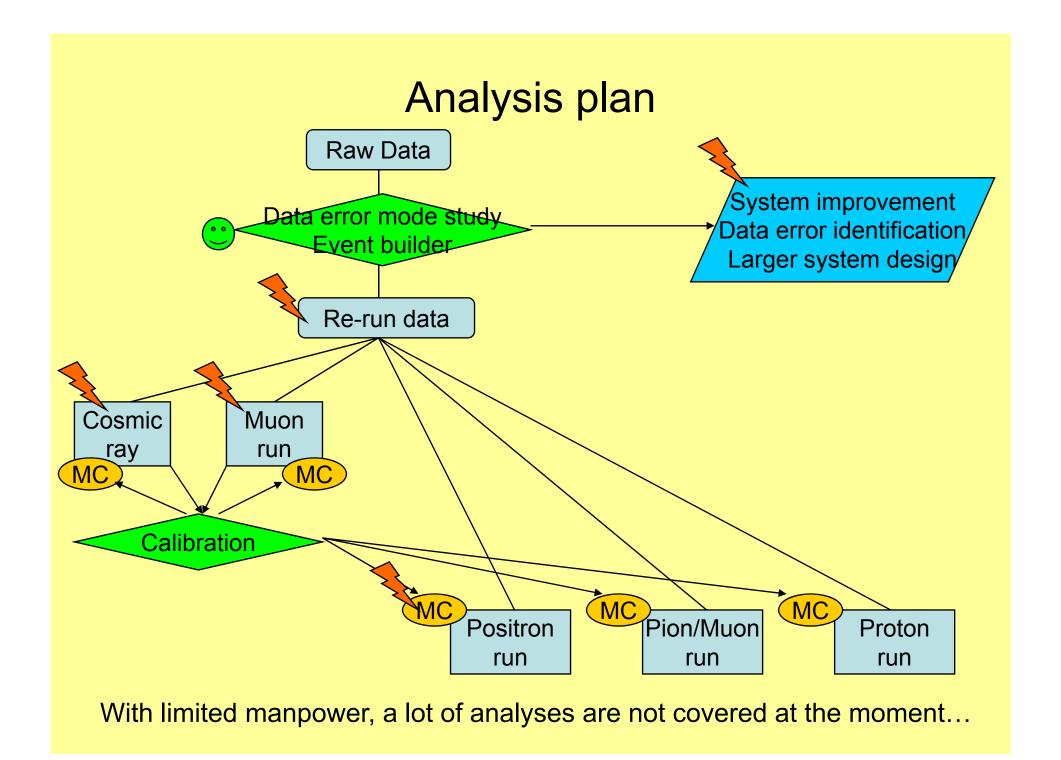
Status of DHCAL Slice Test Data Analysis

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All results preliminary

Data set

- Beam data
 - Muon runs ('calibration run', RPC eff/pad multiplicity vs HV/Thr)
 - 120 GeV proton beam hitting beam stop
 - Steel (16mm) + copper (4mm) absorber
 - Positron runs ('EM shower')
 - 1,2,4,8,16 GeV/c secondary beam (Čerenkov trigger)
 - Steel (16mm) + copper (4mm) absorber
 - Pion/muon runs ('hadronic shower/MIP track')
 - 1,2,4,8,16 GeV/c secondary beam (veto on Čerenkov trigger)
 - With/without additional Fe absorber in front of stack
 - Steel (16mm) + copper (4mm) absorber
 - Proton runs ('rate measurement')
 - 120 GeV primary beam
 - Scan beam rate (from lowest possible rate to ~30k/spill)
 - PVC 'absorber' plate (17x17cm² hole at center == no absorber)
- Cosmic ray data ('calibration')
 - Before beam test (ANL lab)
 - Right after beam test (FNAL MTBF)



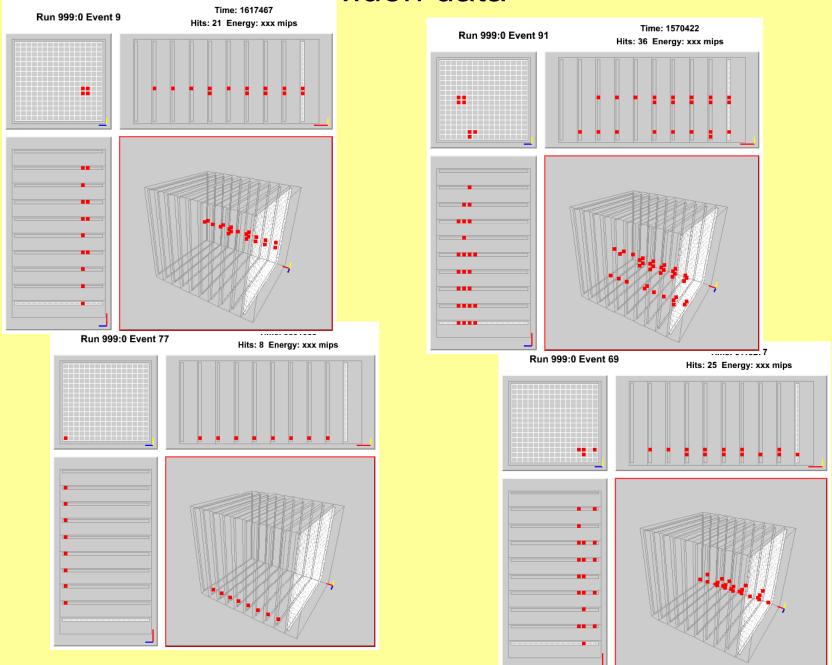
Data error modes

- Slice test data errors
 - Rate of data error is very low, ~0.x% (error package/total package)
 - Need to understand the source, mechanism and scaling properties of these errors
 - Critical for event building and data analysis
 - Helps to find ways to eliminate/identify errors
 - Critical for designing a larger system (1m³ physics prototype)

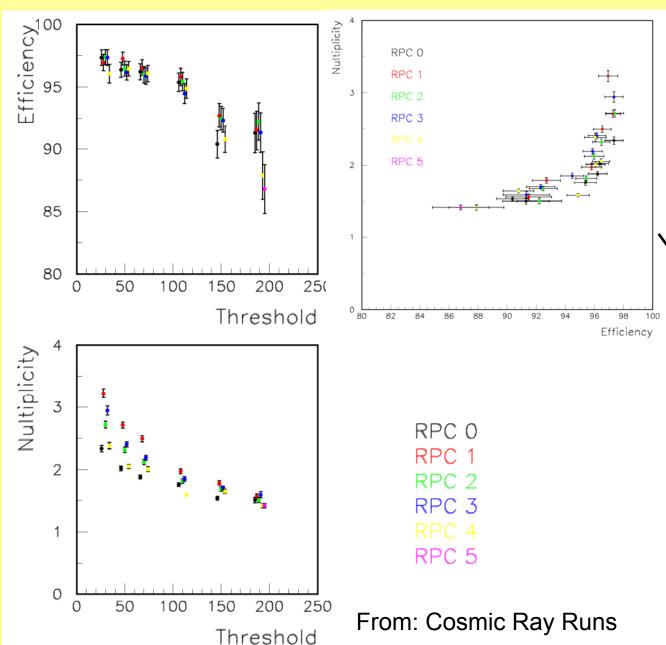
Current status

- Identified 14 error modes (not all independent)
 - 9 'fatal error' modes: data can NOT be recovered
 - 5 'non-fatal error' modes: data can still be recovered
- 7 error modes have been eliminated after slice test
- 4 major errors (2 'fatal'+2 'non-fatal') still exist
- Data re-run just started

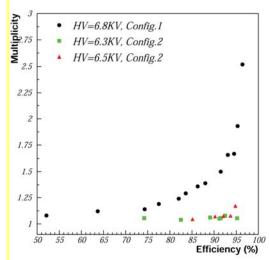
Muon data



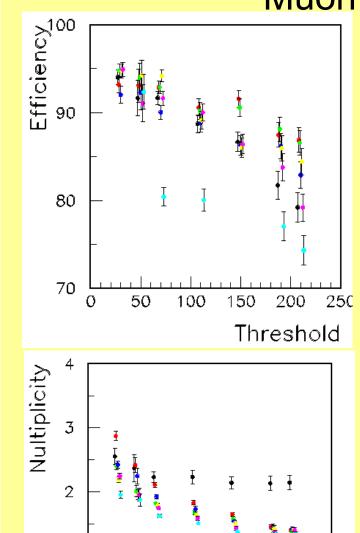
Muon data: calibration of all runs



Very similar to results with 'old' VME digital readout



Muon data: 'online results'



250

200

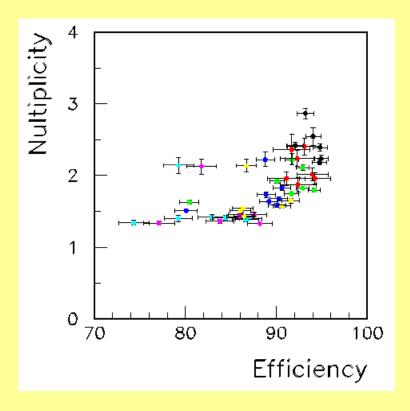
Threshold

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100

150

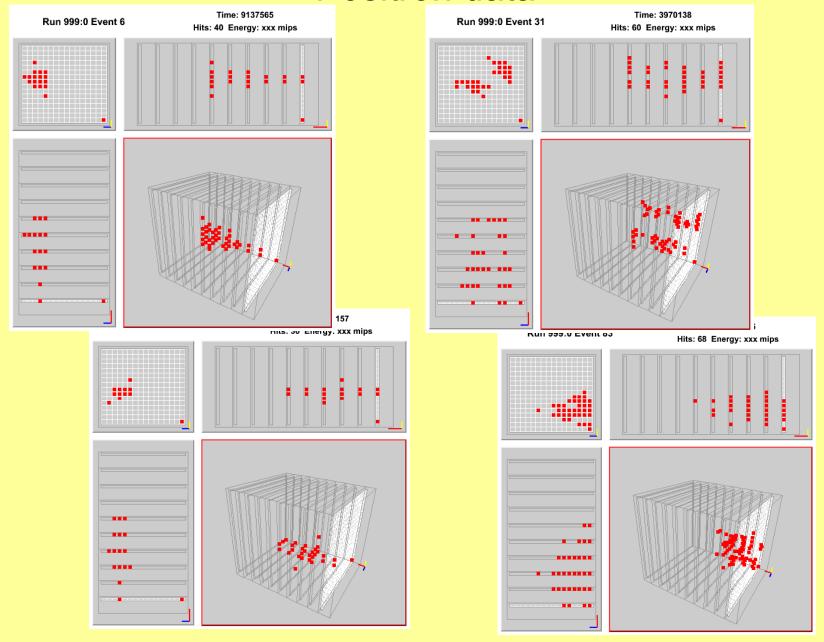


(from muon beam runs)

Data still need clean-up...

Results will be fed into simulation for all run types

Positron data

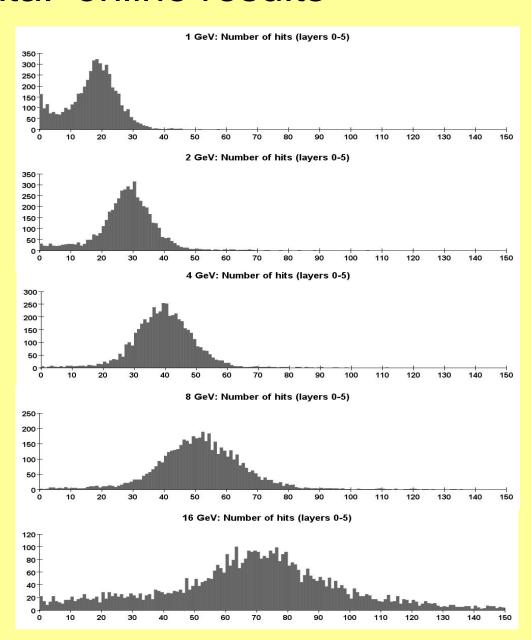


Positron data: 'online results'

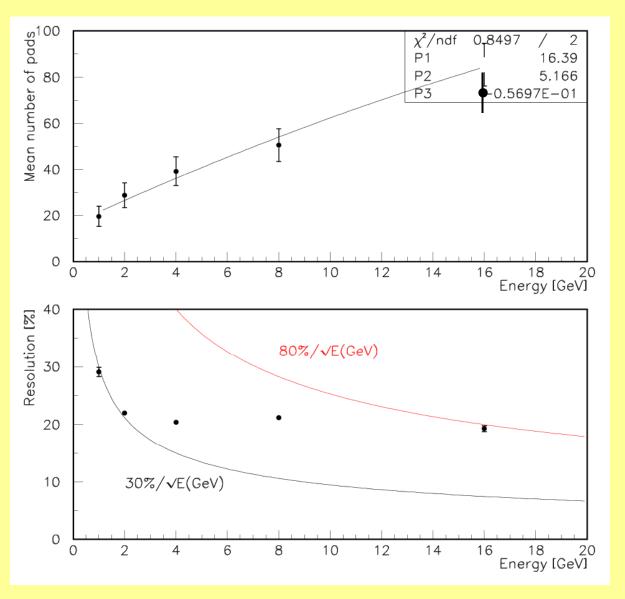
- Number of hits in layer 0-5
 - Positron data @ 1, 2, 4, 8, 16 GeV/c
 - Using Čerenkov signal to selecte positron (very pure)
 - No event selection
 - Particle hitting edge
 - Particle showered upstream
 - Multiple particles
 - ...

Remember:

This is an incomplete Digital Hadron Calorimeter



Positron data: 'online results'



Highly non-linear response

- Largely due to shower leakage
- Also due to digital approach

Surprisingly good energy resolution

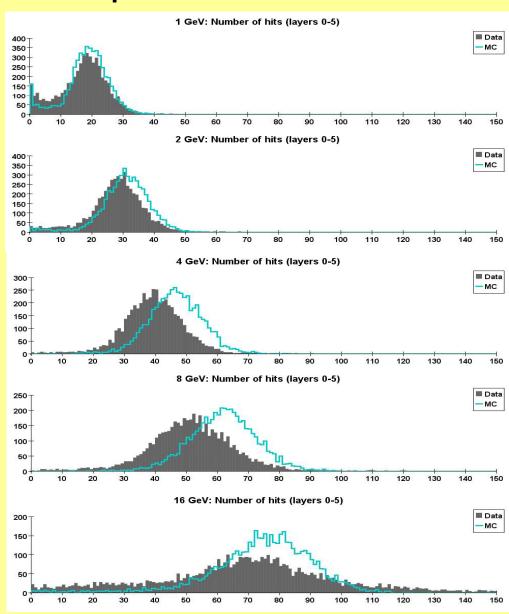
 degrade at high energy due to heavy shower leakage

Positron data: MC simulation

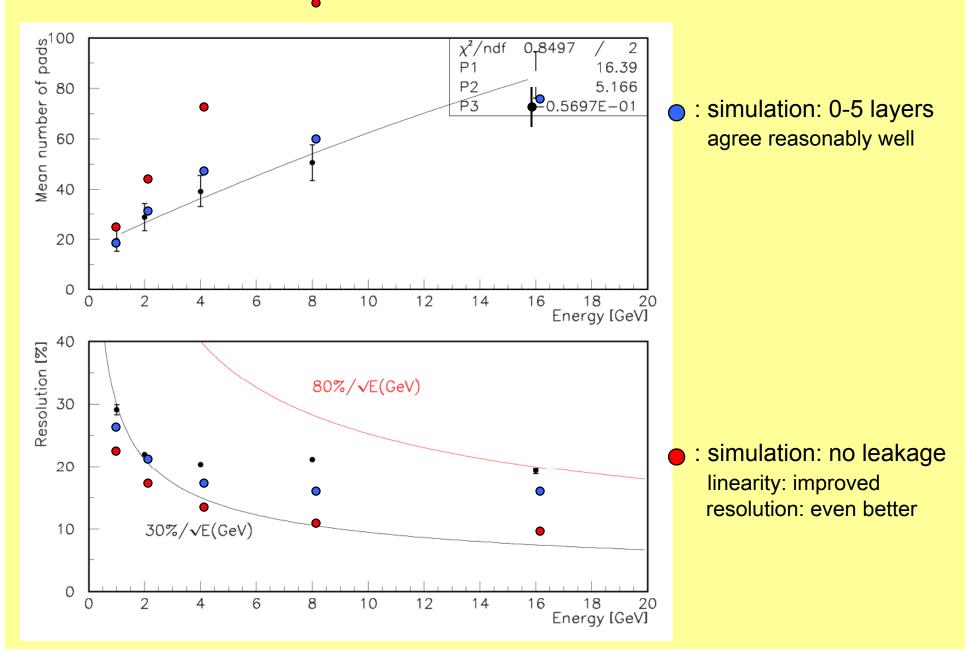
- A crude Geant4 simulation was done, just to have an idea about the detector performance
 - Simulated detector has similar layer structure, but with larger size and much more layers
 - Absorber: 2cm Fe (beam test: 1.6cm Fe, 0.4cm Cu)
 - Gap size: 13.4mm (== beam test setup)
 - Use fiducial cut to get 'beam test' hits
 - RPC properties
 - MIP efficiency = 0.90 (beam test: still to be determined)
 - Hit multiplicity = 1.65 (beam test: still to be determined)
 - Implementation not optimal
 - Beam properties
 - Pure positron at 1,2,4,8,16 GeV/c, no upstream material, no multiple beam particles, etc. (data: may have junk in it)
 - Assume Gaussian distribution for beam spot (reality: still to be determined)
 - Gaussian central/width from a crude estimate

Positron data: compare data/MC

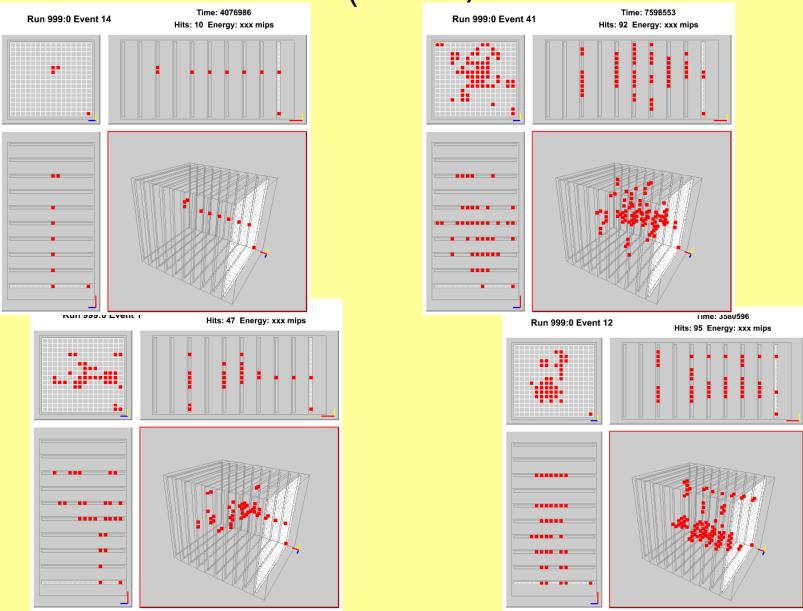
- Agreement is reasonably good
 - Expect significant improvement with careful calibration
- Confirmed that DHCAL works as expected



Positron data: compare data/MC



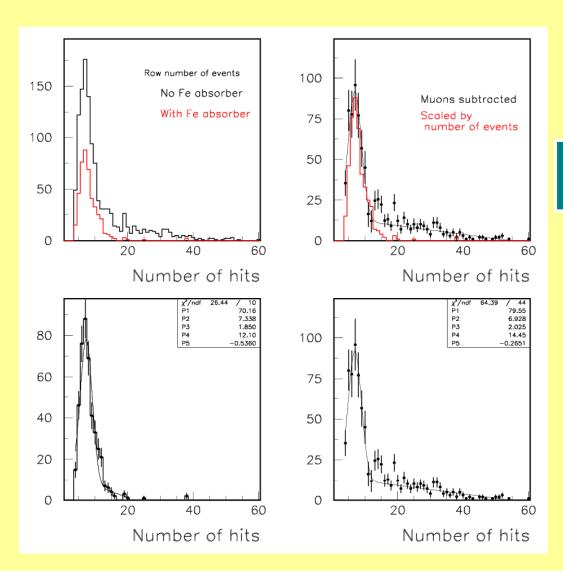
Pion(/Muon) data



Collected data at (1),2,4,8,16 GeV/c data with Čerenkov veto

Pion(/Muon) data: 'online results'

Data at 2 GeV taken with/without additional iron absorber



Clear evidence for π^+ at 2 GeV (~ 57% π^+ and ~ 43% μ^+)

Data will be used to compare with Geant4 simulation

Proton data

- No absorber: event looks like MIP tracks
- Data will be used to study RPC rate capability
 - Long time scale effect: decrease of efficiency with overall rate (T ~ sec)
 - Short time scale effect (?): 'dead time' after individual event (T ~ ms)

Conclusion

- DHCAL slice test was a great success
- We collected large, high quality data sets
- The analysis has begun, but a lot remains to be done
- We plan on producing 4 5 papers
- We are clearly short of manpower help is very welcomed