

Recent development of Semi-Digital HCAL using GRPC

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Overview

The Semi-Digital HCAL concept

Detector and readout development

- Small GRPC & Readout
- Current R&D for 1m² GRPC

Test Beam Results with small GRPCs

- Detector performances
- Hadronic showers

Current development

- 1m² detector fully equipped
- 1m³ project

Simulation and Integration activities

- Hadronic showers containment
- First resolution studies with PFA

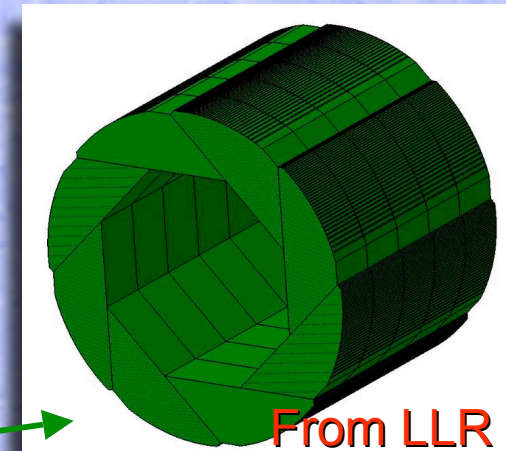
Conclusion & outlook

The Semi-Digital HCAL concept

A digital HCAL with a very high granularity (1cm^2 cells), is one of the two options proposed for ILD.

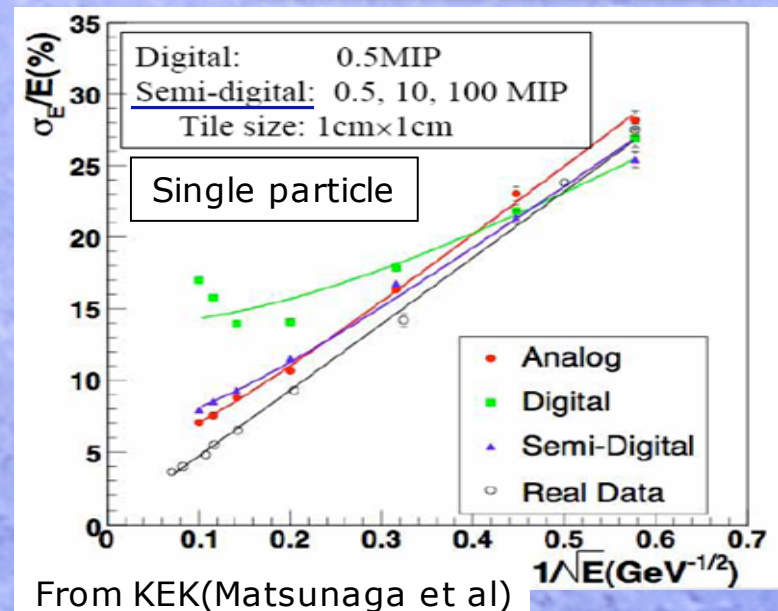
Choice of Glass Resistive Plate Chamber (GRPC):

- Efficient, homogeneous, low cost.
- The detector plans are being developed with embedded readout.



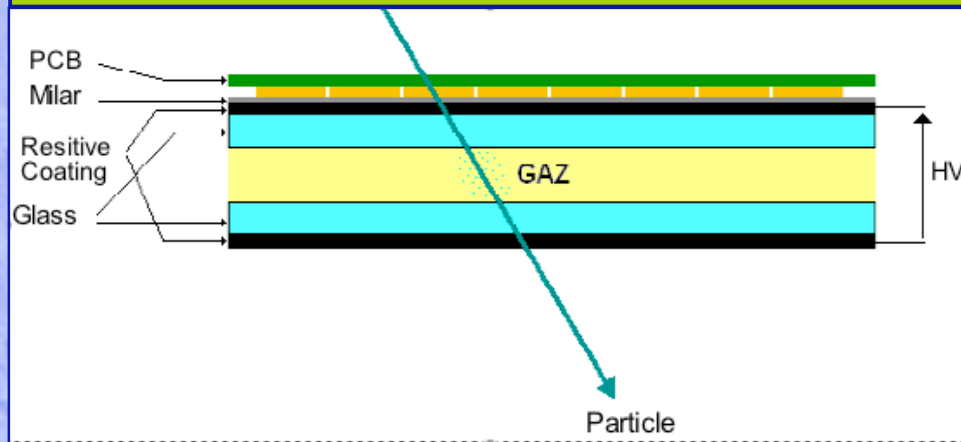
To avoid projective cracks, a new mechanical design is under study.

This detector concept associated to Particle Flow Algorithms, would achieve a very good jet energy resolution.

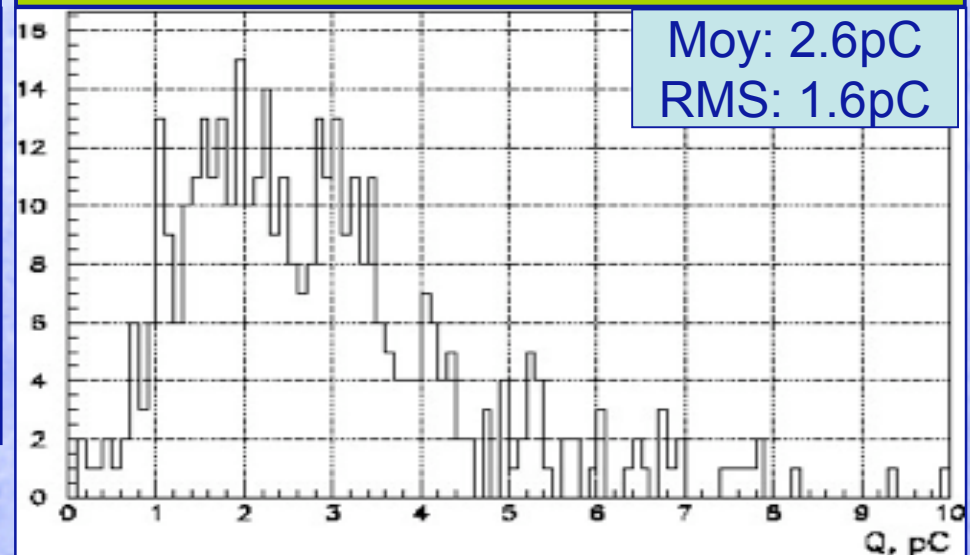


GlassRPCs spec.

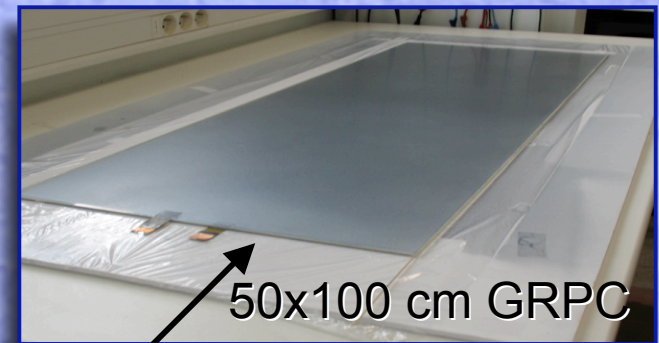
Schematical view of the GRPC



GRPC mip spectra (From Protvino lab)

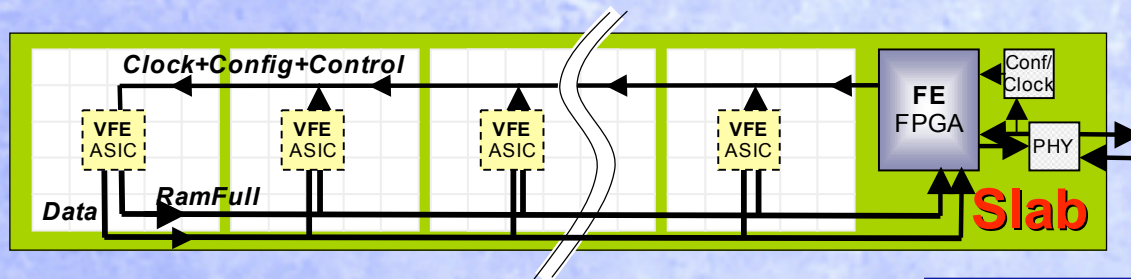


- Polarisation: 6.5 kV to 8 kV (**avalanche** mode)
- GRPC thickness: **3.2 mm** (1.2 mm gas gap + 1.2 & 0.7 mm glass plates + mylar foil)
- Gas mix: 93% TFE, 5% Isobutane, 2% SF₆
- Inductive readout (Noise rate 1 Hz/cm²)
- Easy/low-cost to build, **robust**, **good efficiency** !



3.2mm thick

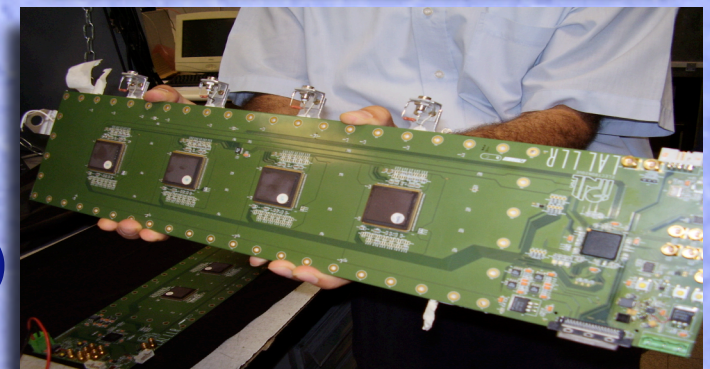
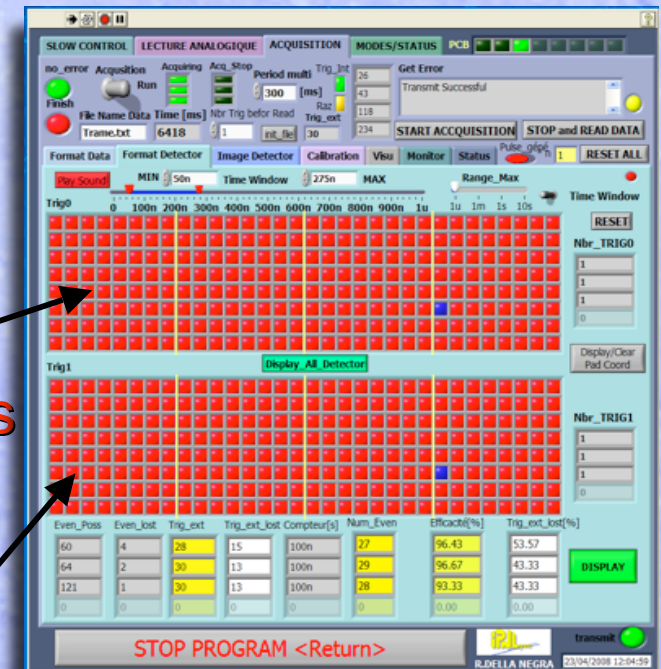
First Semi Digital Readout



- 8 layers PCB (800 μm thick)
- Readout chip: 4x **daisy chained HADROCs** (64 semi digital channels each)
- 256 sensitive pads (1x1 cm²)
- Acquisition:
 - > **FPGA +USB**
 - > Graphical interface: **Labview**
- **Slow control** parameters:
 - > Gain of each channel (from calibration)
 - > **2 Thresholds** levels
- Signal format: **Timing Flag (BCID)+ Threshold(s) reached**

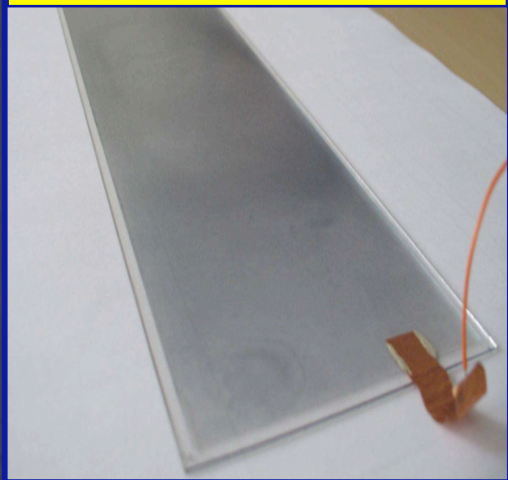
Threshold 2

Threshold 1



Current GRPC R&D

HV Connexion (tests)



Electrodes optimisation:

❑ Test of different resistive coating materials:

Licron, Statguard, Graphite (see test beam results)

-> Impact on detector hit **multiplicity** , and suitable **rate**.

❑ Optimisation of resistive coating connexion to supply

-> Improve the GRPC lifetime (critical point on GRPC)

-> **Minimise noise** generated by the interface copper/coating

❑ Build electrodes with semi conductive glass ($10^{10} \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$)

-> Improve **detection rate** up to **28 kHz/cm²**

Gas flux optimisation:

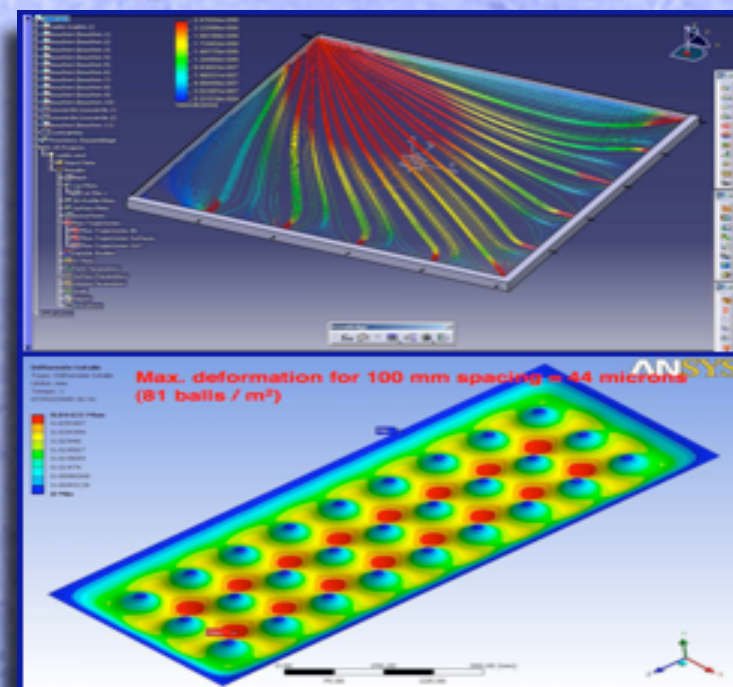
❑ Gas flux simulation

-> Improve **gas renewal** for an homogeneous efficiency

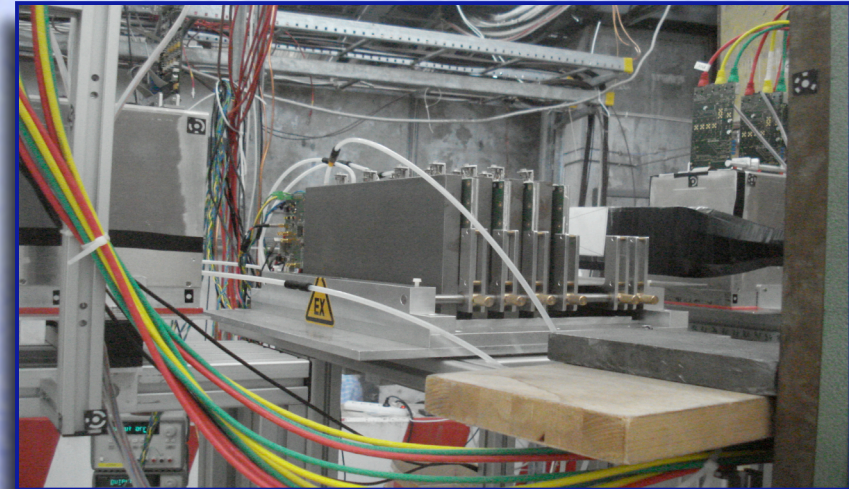
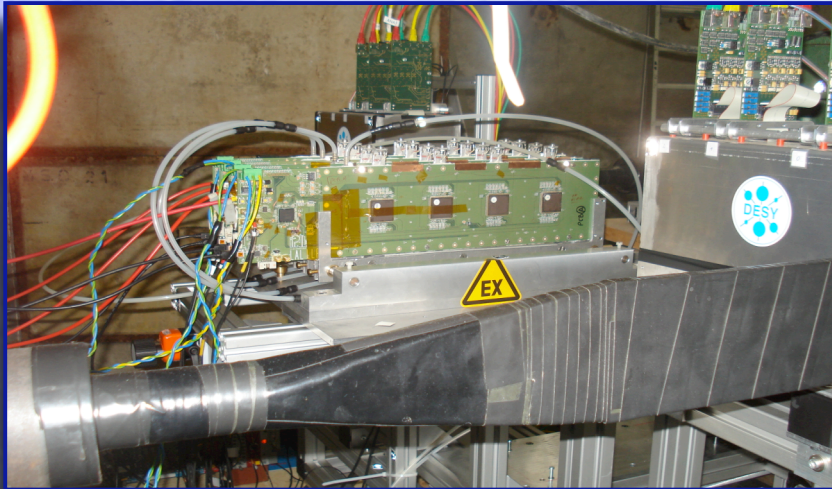
❑ Minimise chamber's dead zones:

-> Use of ceramic ball as **ponctual spacers**

-> Chamber's **frame** used as **gas distributor**



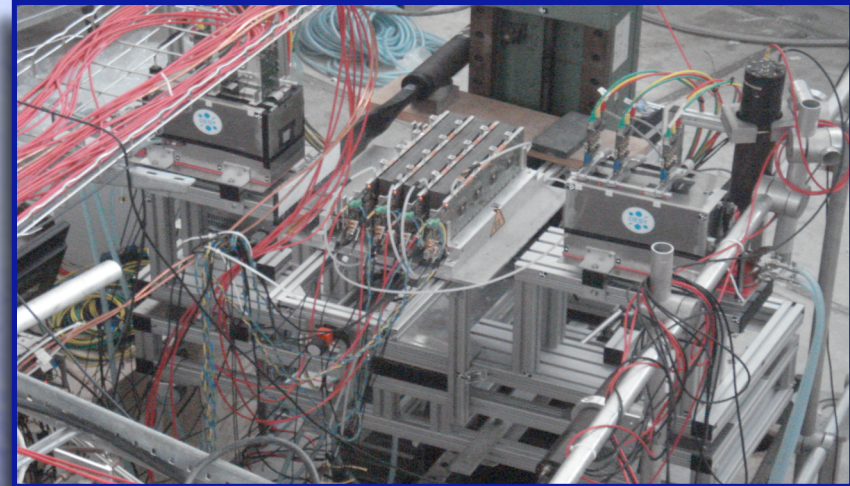
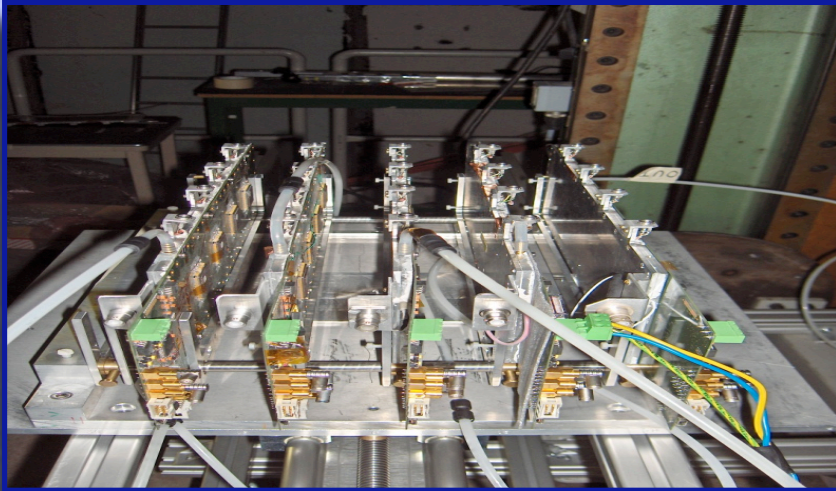
Test Beam @ CERN



Main goals:

- **Test small GRPC performances** (32x8 PADs):
 - Different energies (1-12 GeV).
 - Different beam rates (20-6000 triggers/spill).
 - Scan of impact angles.
 - Use of EUDET pixel telescope (Track reconstruction).
- **Test of the electronic readout**
 - Under realistic flux conditions (about 100Hz).
 - Evaluation of detector's response according to the DAC's threshold level.
- **First record of hadronic shower** with mini DHCAL (iron slab between detectors).

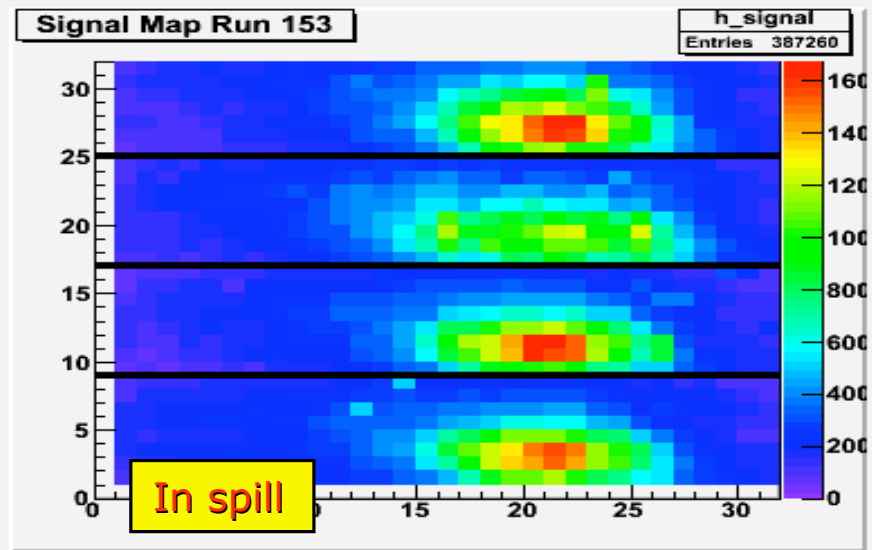
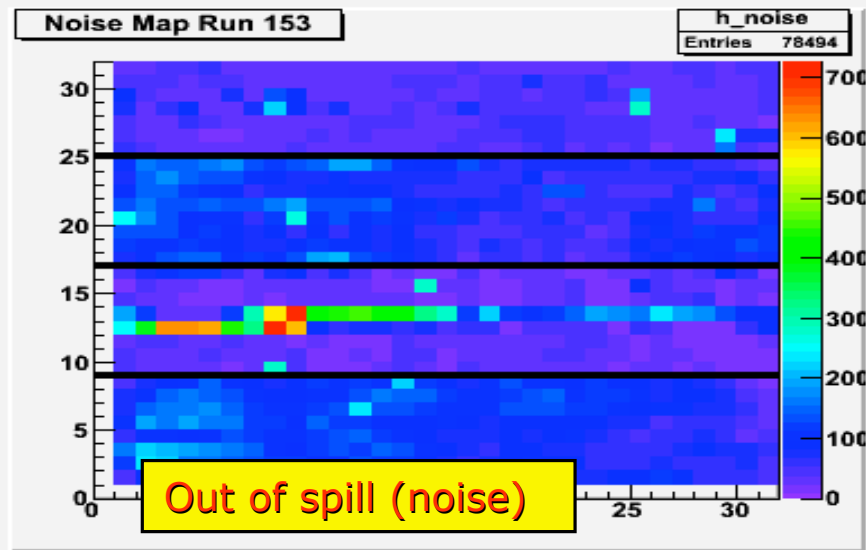
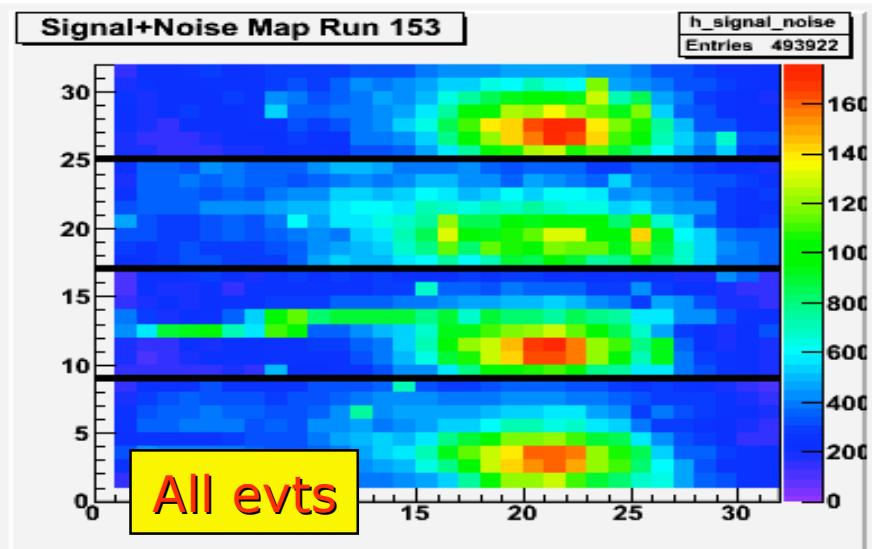
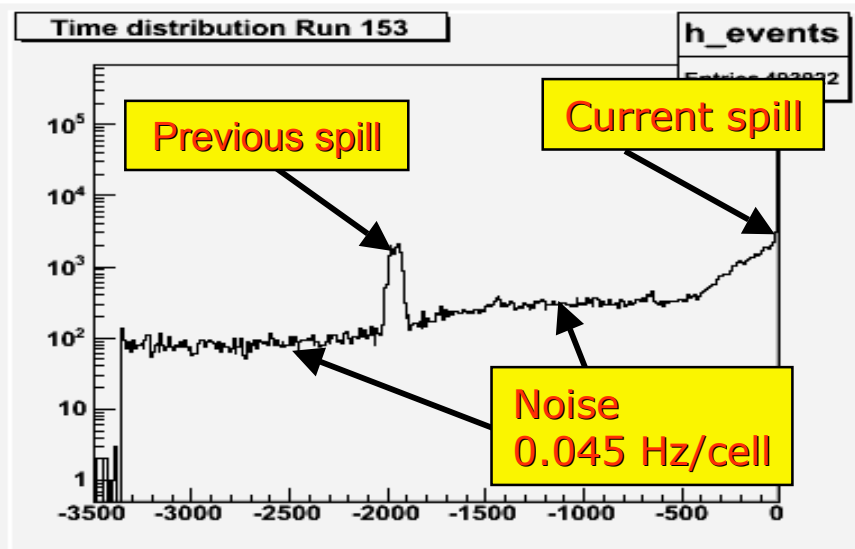
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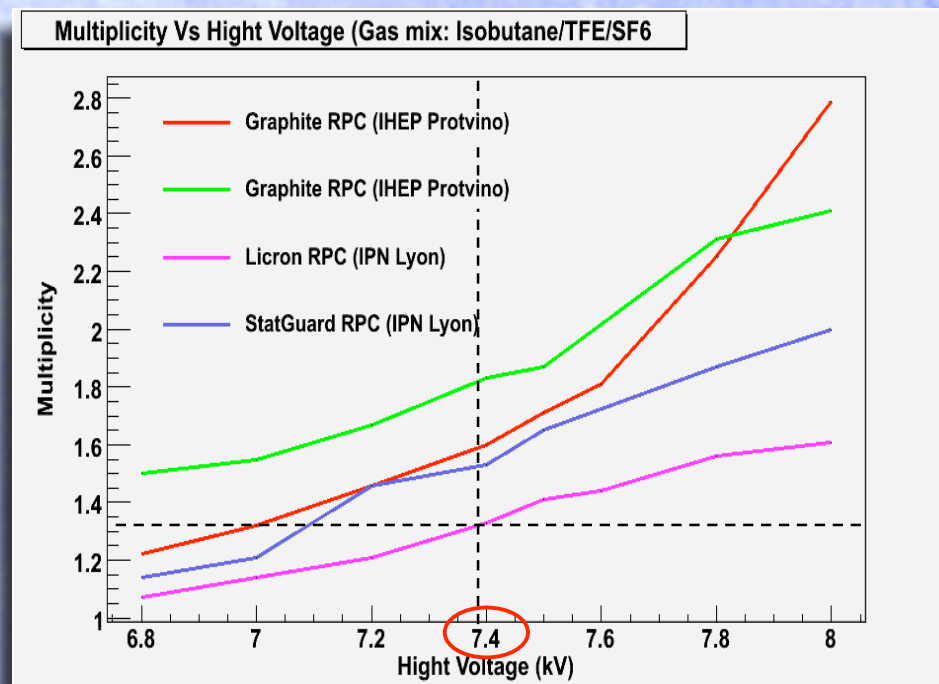
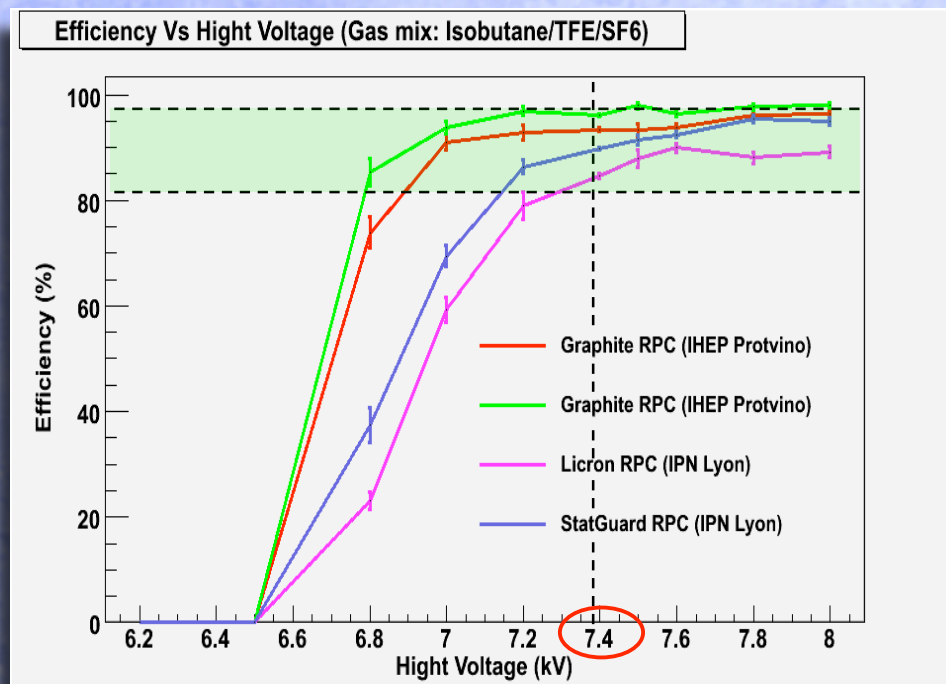
Beam test periods:

PS T10	17-24 July	260 kEvents
PS T9	28 July - 4 August	80 kEvents
PS T9	7-12 November	65 kEvents

Selecting events



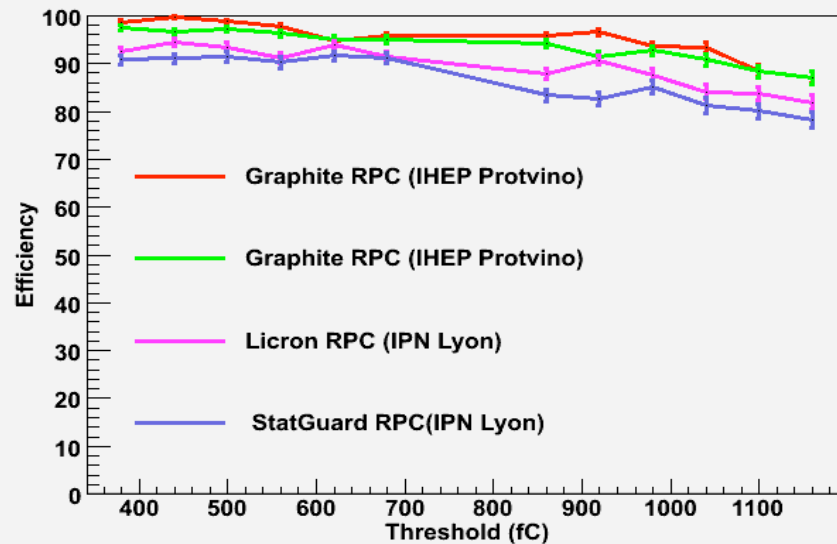
High Voltage scan



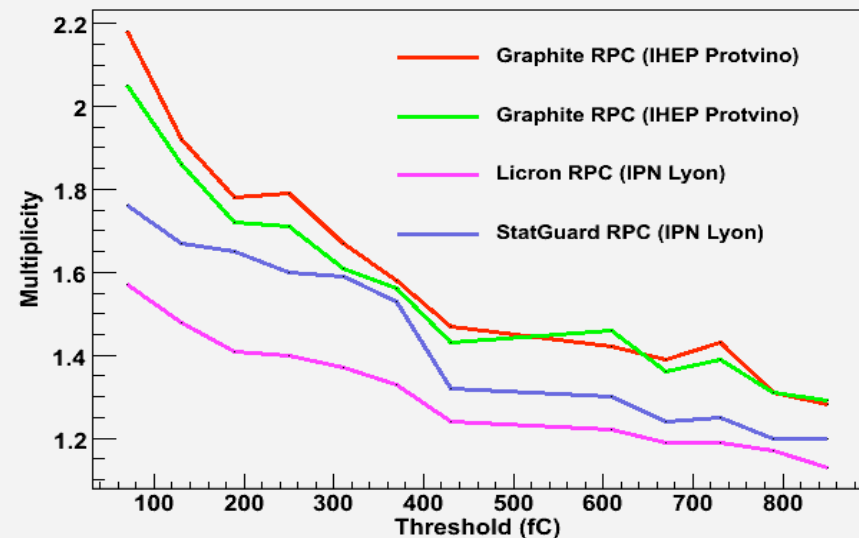
- DAC's **Thresholds**: lower 120 fC / higher 450fC
- **Plateau**: 7.2 to 8 kV
 - > Efficiency between 80 and 98%
- Lower multiplicity is preferred.
 - > **Best ratio** multiplicity/efficiency: **around 7.4 kV**
- Until now the **licron coated detector** seems to be **the best candidate**:
 - > it has the **lowest multiplicity** and shows **very good efficiency** performance.

Threshold scan

Efficiency Vs Threshold

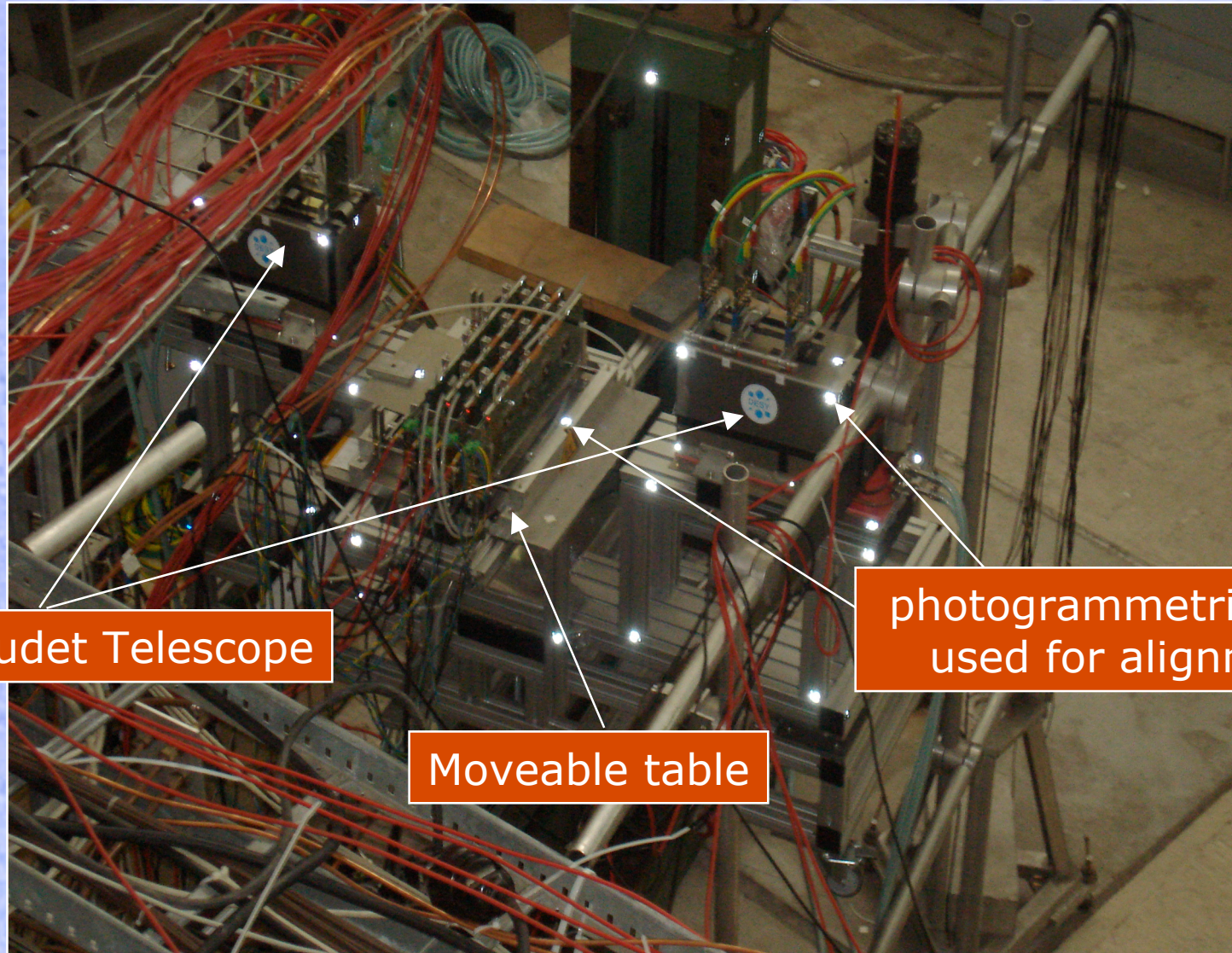


Multiplicity Vs Threshold.



- Multiplicity **moving as expected** => **lowering as threshold increases.**
- Efficiency **decreasing** down to 80% at 1.1 pC threshold.

Use of EUDET Pixel Telescope

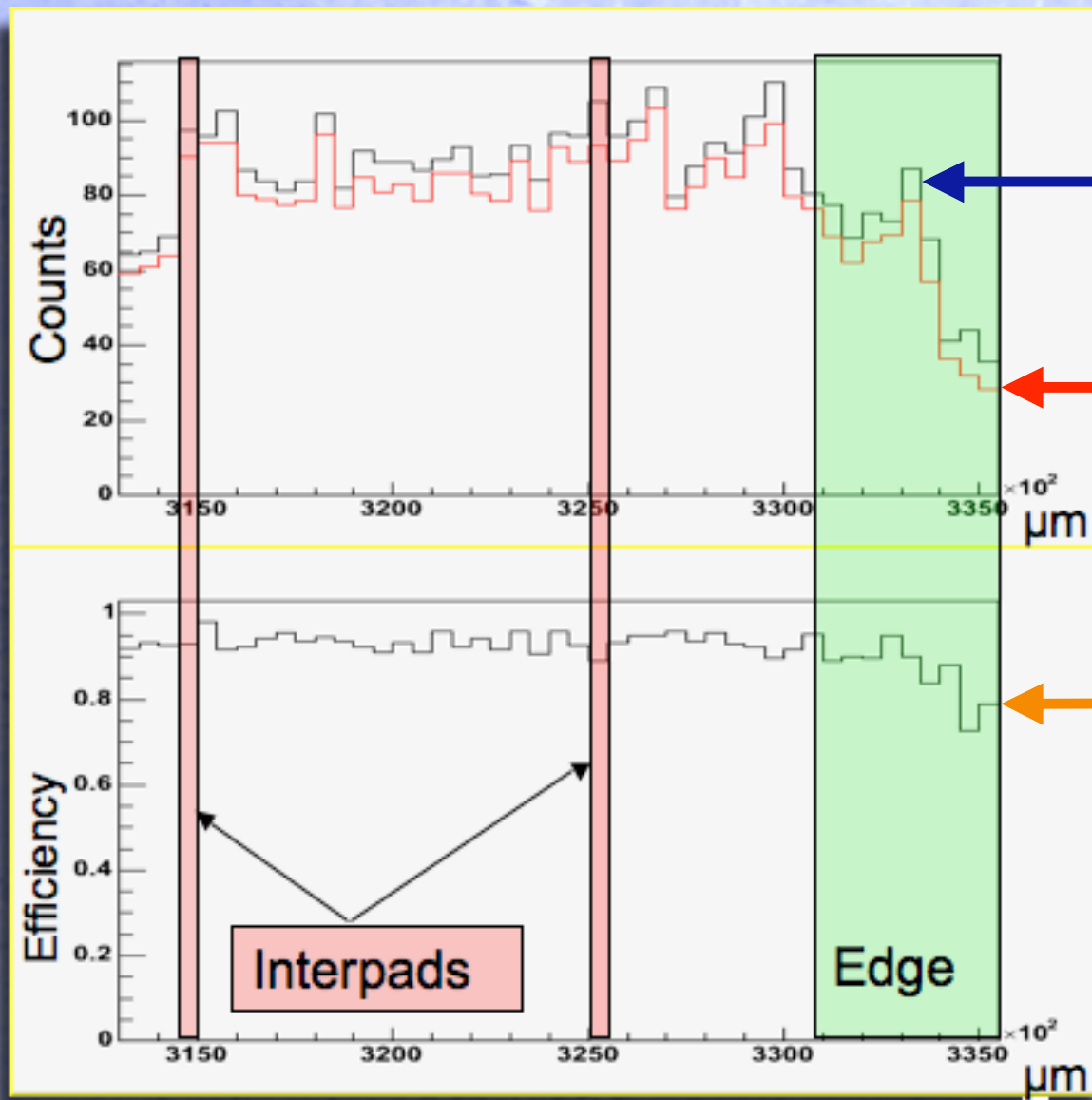


Eudet Telescope

photogrammetric spots
used for alignment

Moveable table

Use of EUDET Pixel Telescope



Black (Trigger): spatial prediction of hits in GRPC, from EuTel.

Red : matched digital hits (EuTel + GRPC)

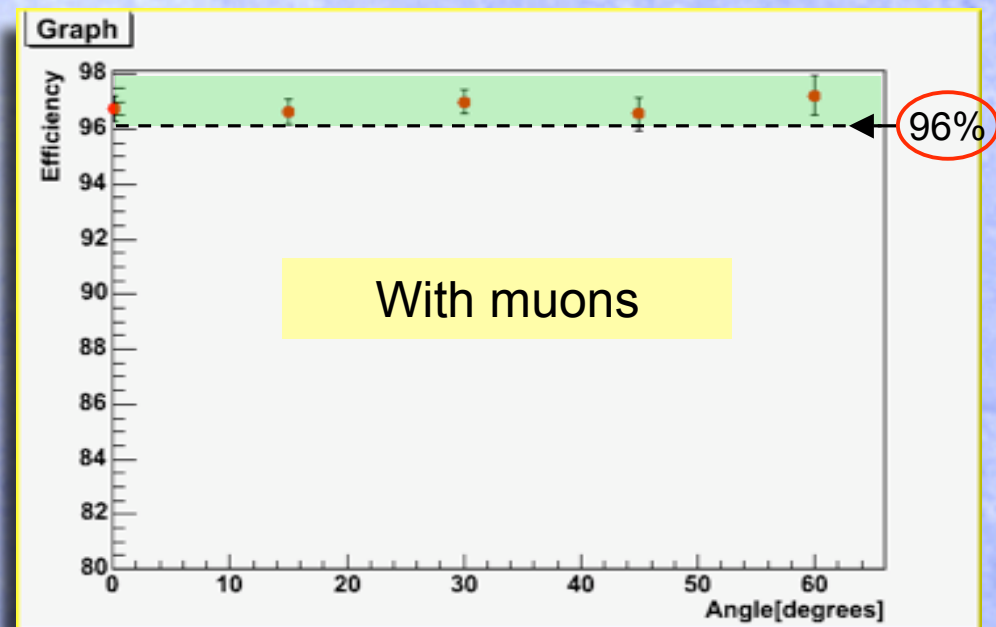
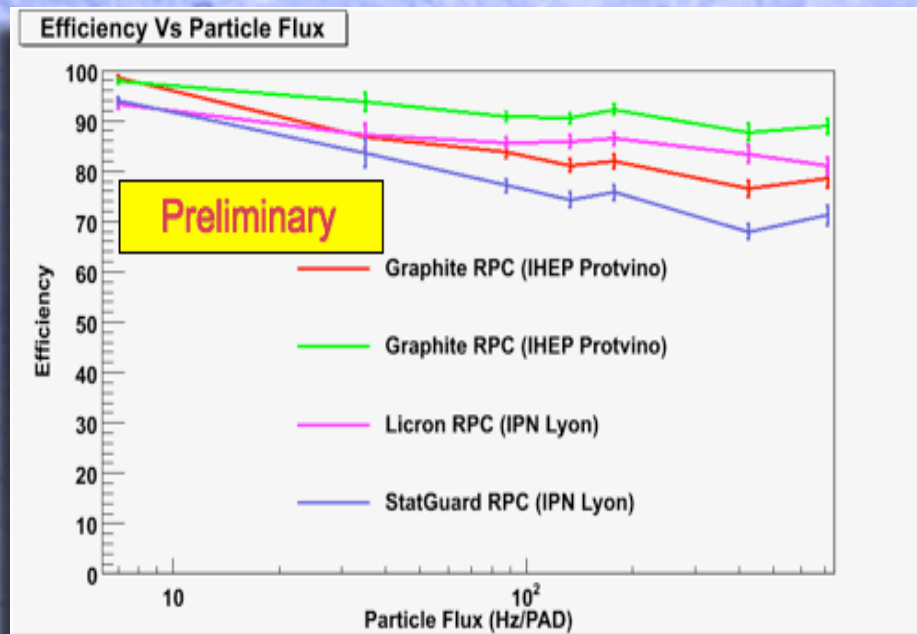
Efficiency: Red/Black

Using **EuTel**, we can evaluate **efficiency** on the detector **edges**, and between two pads.

Other studies

Angle scan:

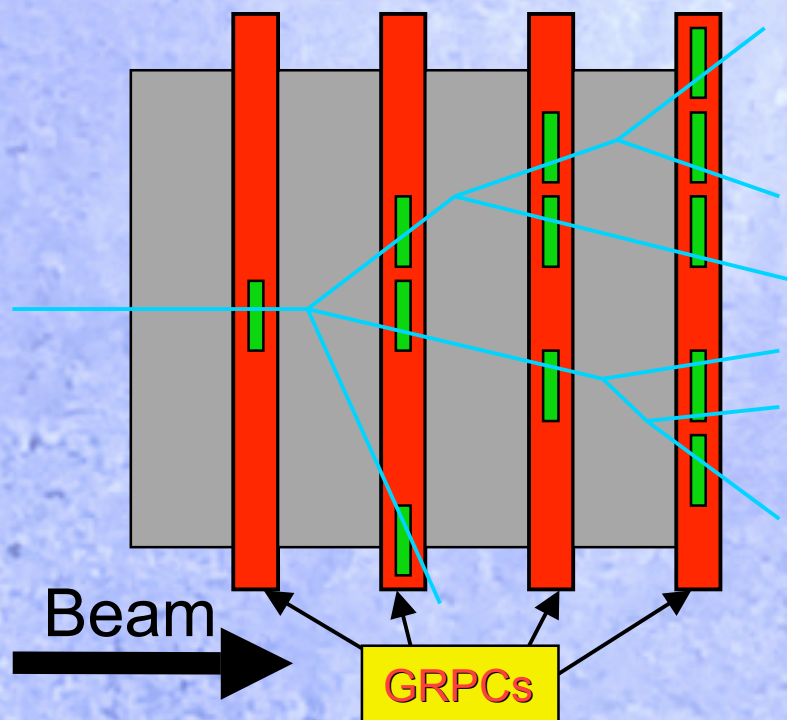
- Efficiency quite constant, even for large angles.
- It allows good reconstruction in detector's end-caps.



Evolution of performances with particle flux :

- We made some correlation with particle flux (obtained with scintillators), and chamber's efficiency.
- It gives us some preliminary results about GRPC running in ILC beam conditions.

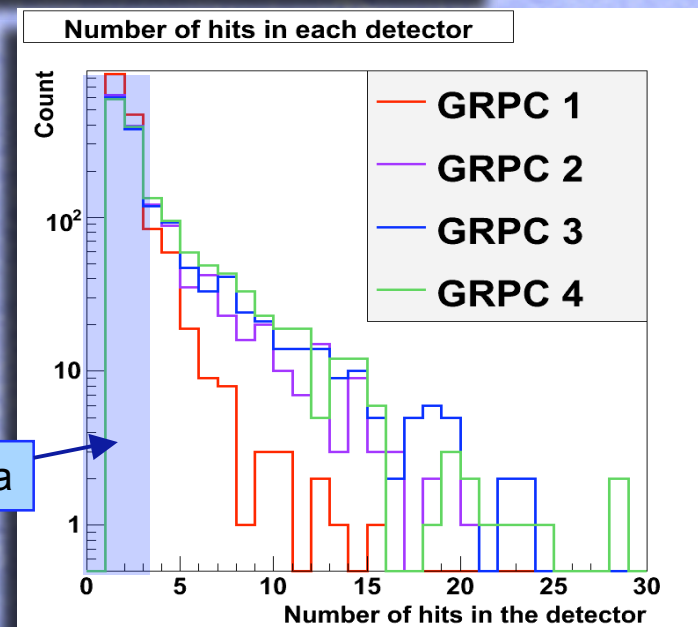
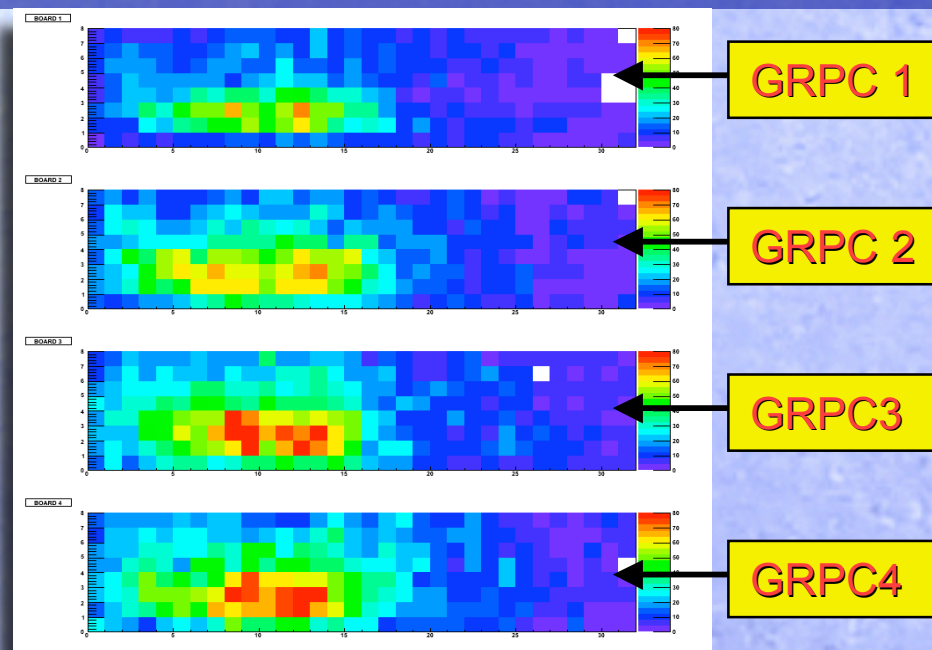
Hadronic showers



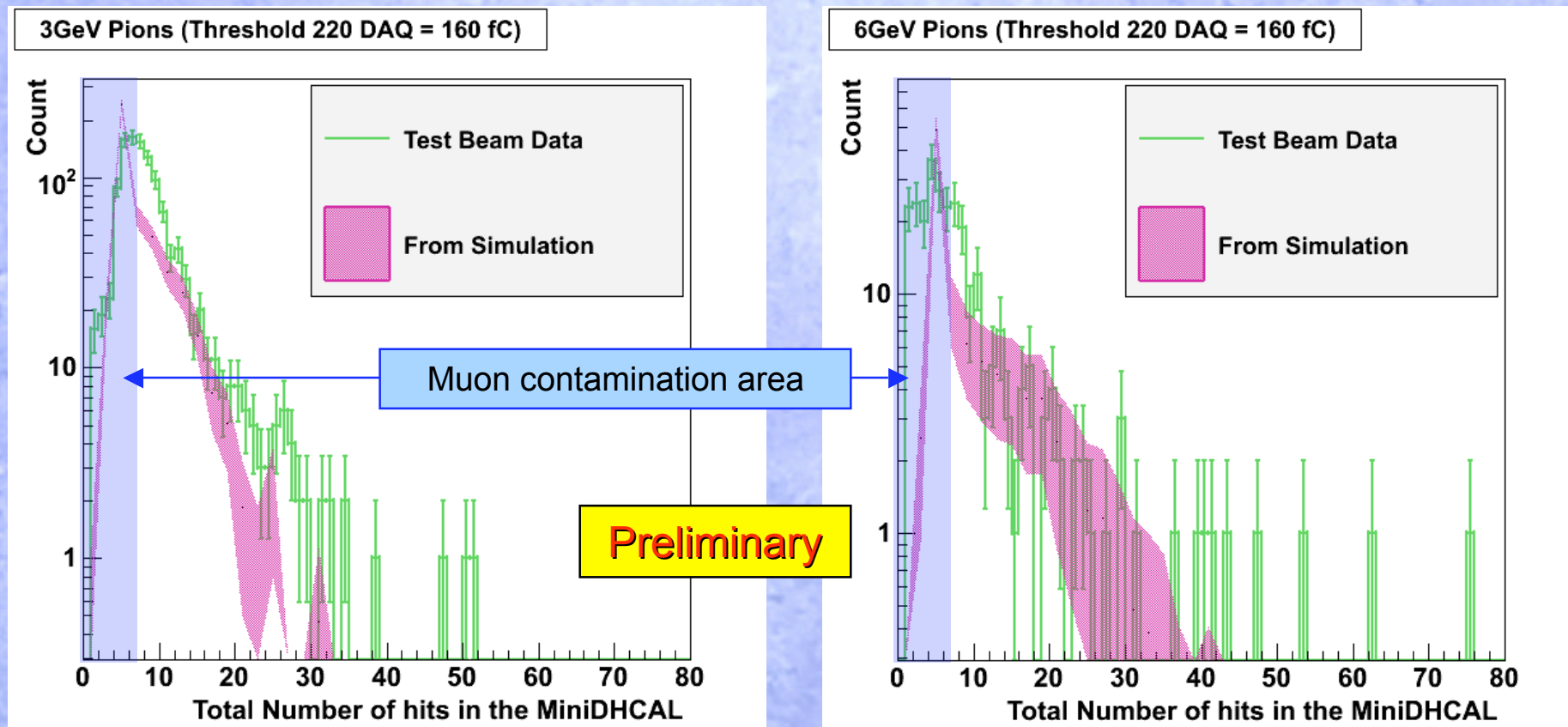
Hadronic showers are **mostly uncontained** in Mini DHCAL but these profiles give a **first idea** of shower development, and energy deposition.

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Hadronic showers Vs Simulation



Here are the distribution of **hit's total number** in mini DHCAL for **test beam data** and **simulated data**.

Test beam summary

Total data: 325 kEvent (First DAQ's rate 20Hz)

- Most part of the data **analyzed**.
- **Best understanding of our detector**, leading to **realistic 1m2** detector development.
- We learn a lot about **DAQ in beam conditions**.
- That was the first record of **hadronic showers** in a **1cm² Mini DHCAL**

Current development: 1m² GRPCs

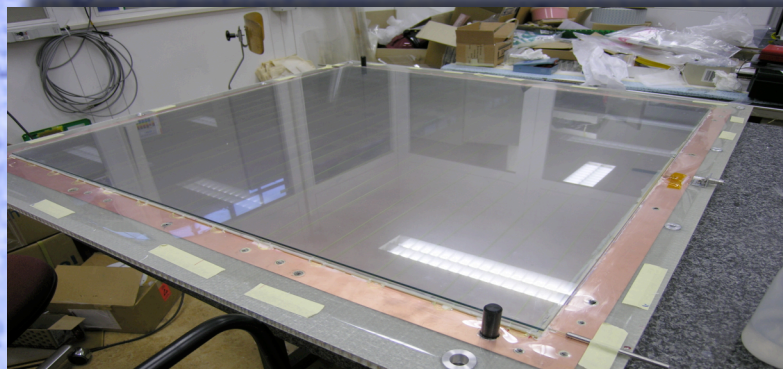


Lyon GRPC (licron coating)

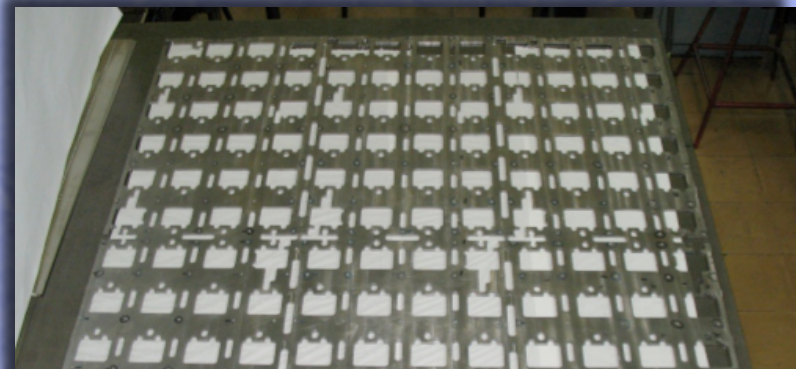


Lyon GRPC (statguard coating)

1m² GRPCs were built with **different options**, and a **mechanical structure** as been done by CIEMAT to **support electronics**.

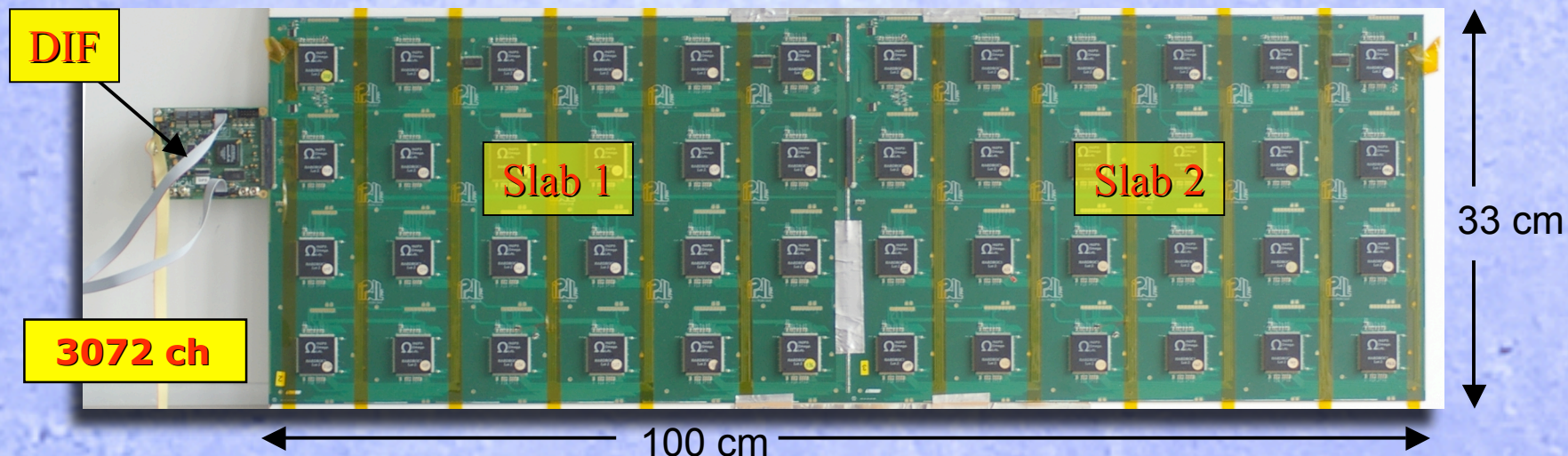


Multigap GRPC (INFN bologne)



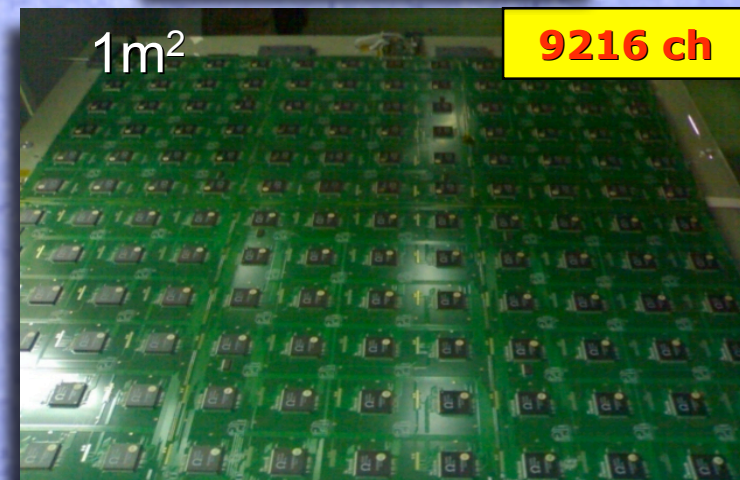
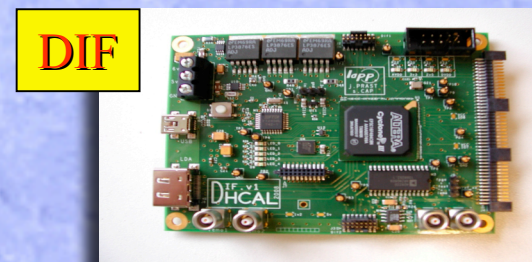
Mechanical support (CIEMAT)

Current development: 1m² DAQ

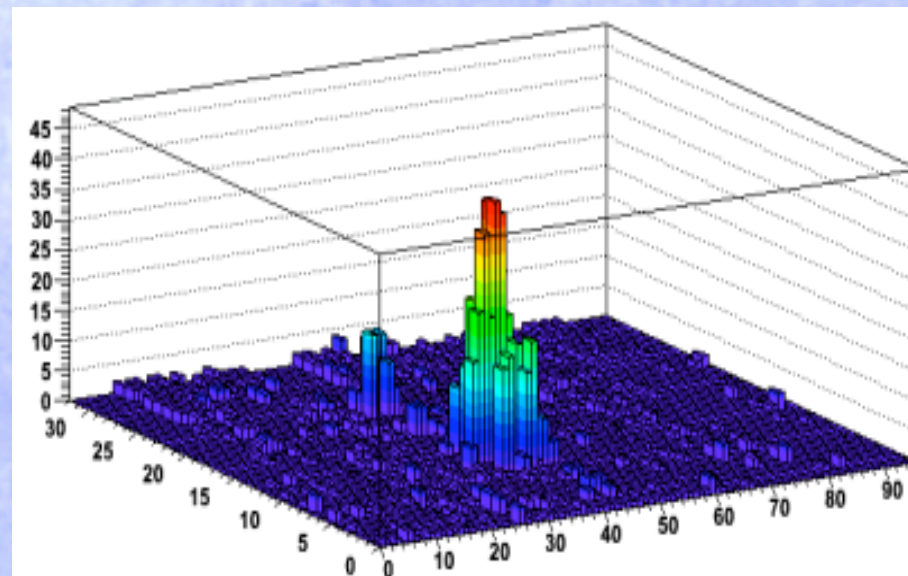
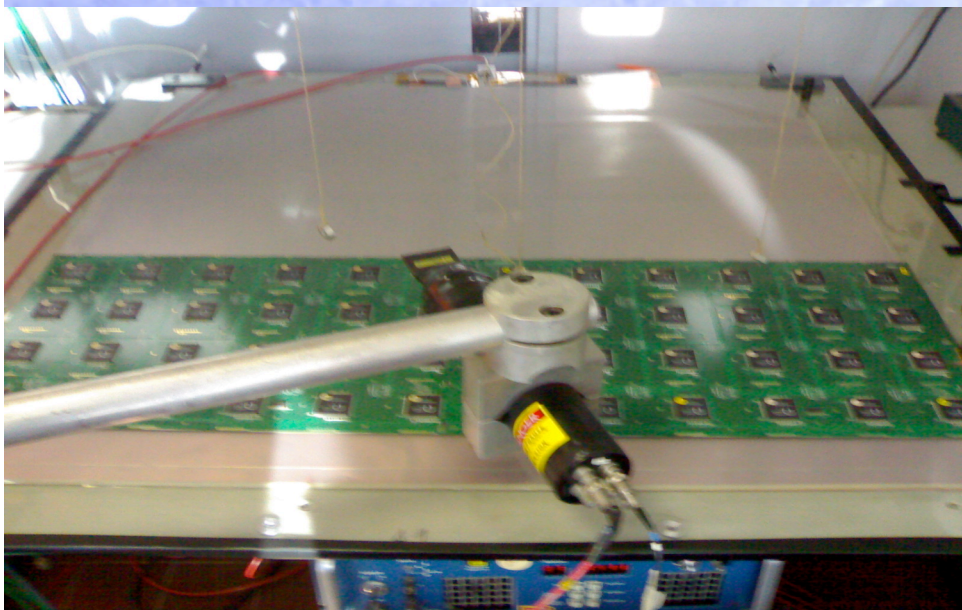


DIFF+ASU:

- 6 slabs of 24 asic each, were produced and equipped with **HARDROC1**.
- Slabs connected 2 by 2 using “zero” resistors.
- Software using **Xdaq/USB** was developed (as debug mode).
- **Slow control & data acquisition** were **successfully tested** ! (in cosmic mode).
- More info on DAQ see **C.Combaret's talk**.



1m² Cosmic tests



First data taking on a large detector, using cosmic bench (scintillator trigger)

Next step: 1m³ Project

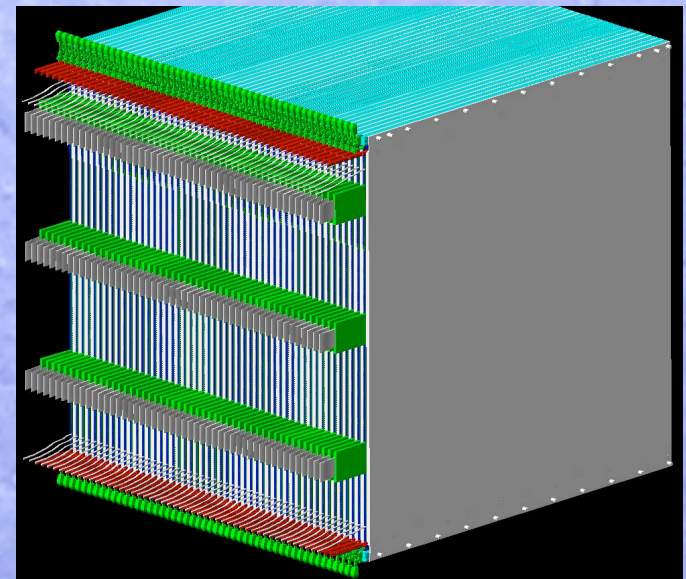
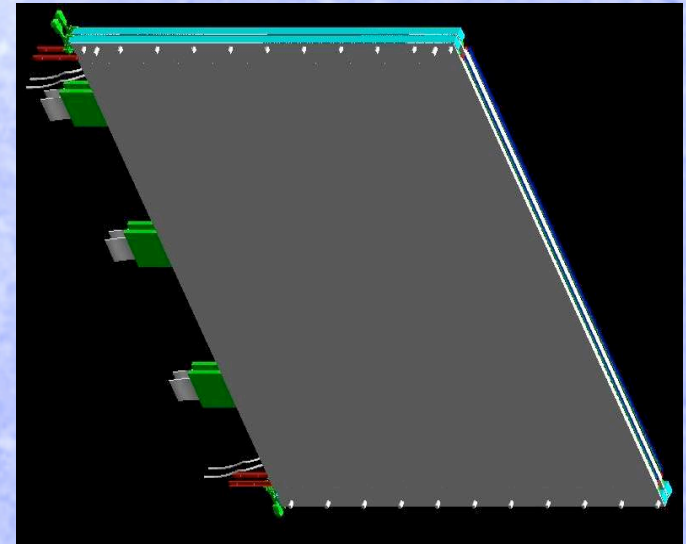
The aim is to build a realistic prototype, validating the technological solution we propose for the ILD concept.

Technological prototype is made with:

- 40 planes of 1m²
- One plane composed by:
20 mm s.steel absorber + 6 mm GRPC/PCB
- A mechanical structure supporting the planes.
- A parallel **gas distribution system**.

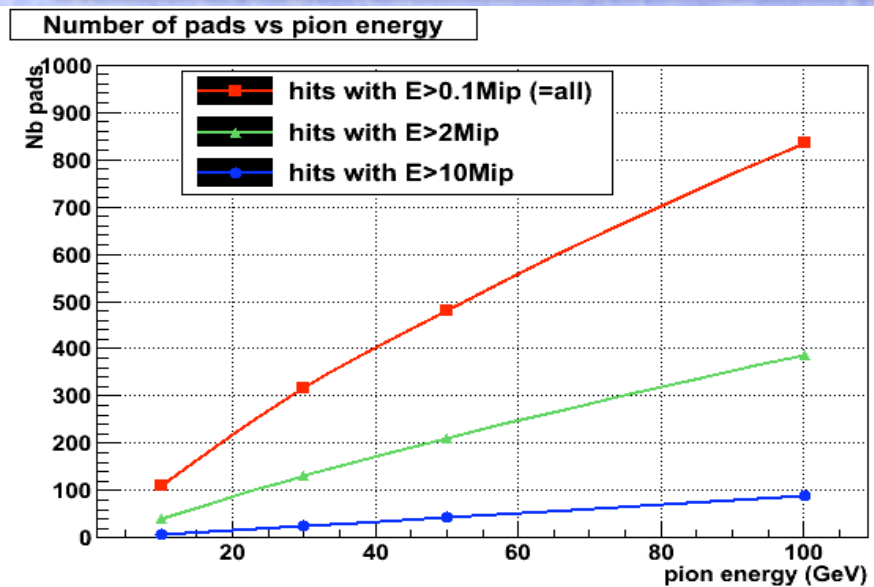
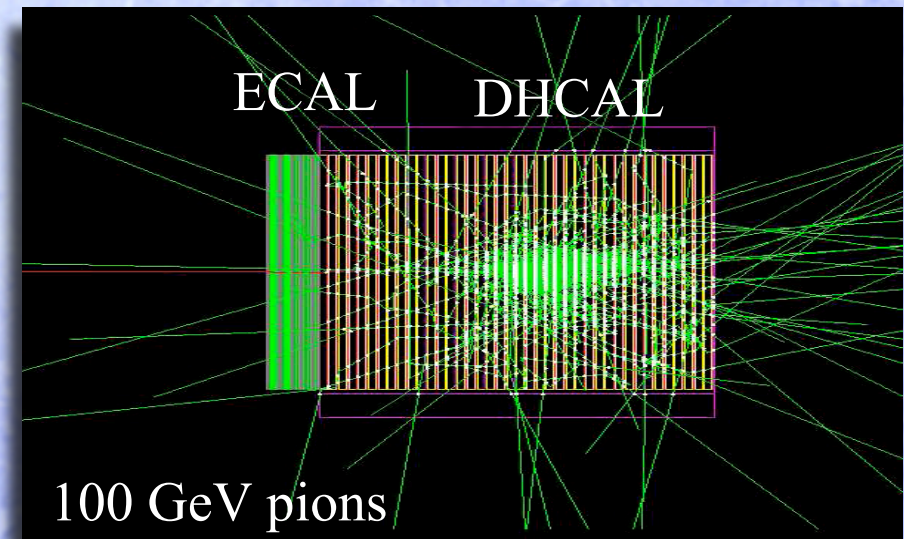
Important points:

- Mechanical structure development:
1m³ of (Absorber+GRPC) is about **6 ton** weight.
- Use of gas system with **re-cycling** option.
- Semi Digital readout of **368.640 channels** :
DAQ, event buiding, & data storage.



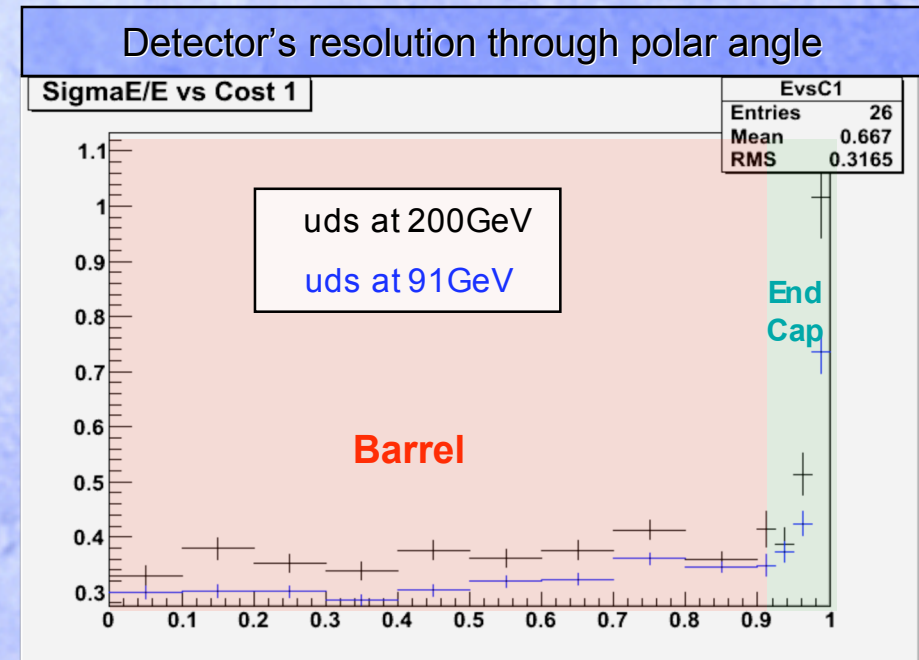
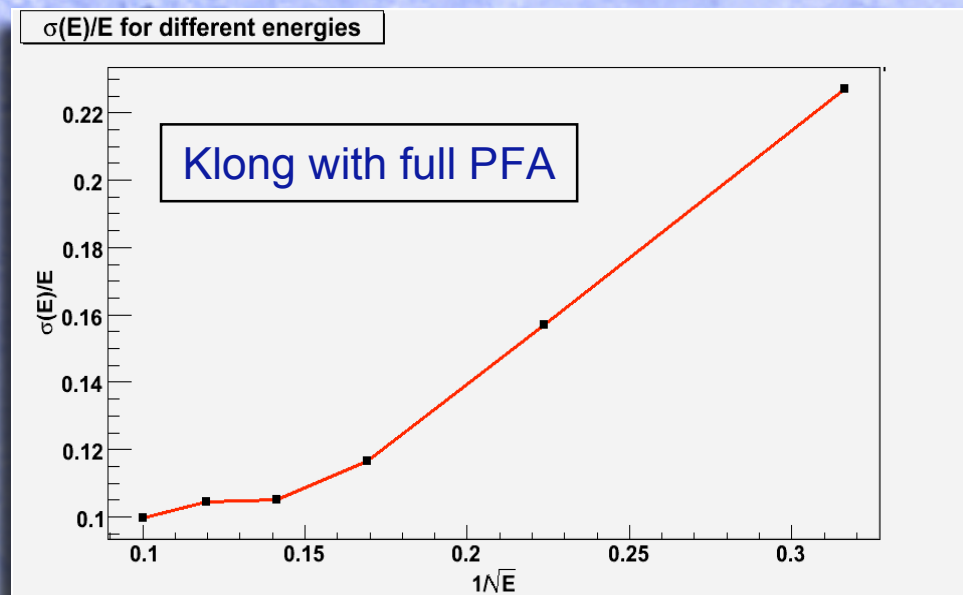
1m³ containment simulations

- With a **1m³ DHCAL**, hadronic shower could be **mainly contained**, even for high energy pions (about 100 GeV).
- We already try to evaluate the **energy deposition** to **help the 1m³ design**.
- The 40 planes of 9216 channels each, will permit us to have the **complete profile** of the showers, with a very high granularity.
- As the **HARDROC2** will have **3 thresholds**, we try to evaluate the number of fired pads for different thresholds values, to better reconstruct the energy.



Simulations for an ILD integration

- Simulations were done with **Mokka** software integrating **DHCAL** geometry.
Event produced: single klong & uds.
- First analysis was done using Marlin with **single threshold** at 0.1 MIP in Mark Thomson's **PFA** module.



SemiDigitalHCAL with PFA:

- **Particle Flow Algorithm** need to be optimized to use the **full potential** of a **multi threshold DHCAL**.
- More work has to be done for it.

Conclusion & Outlook

An hadronic calorimeter with semi-digital readout is a very promising candidate for future linear colliders experiments !

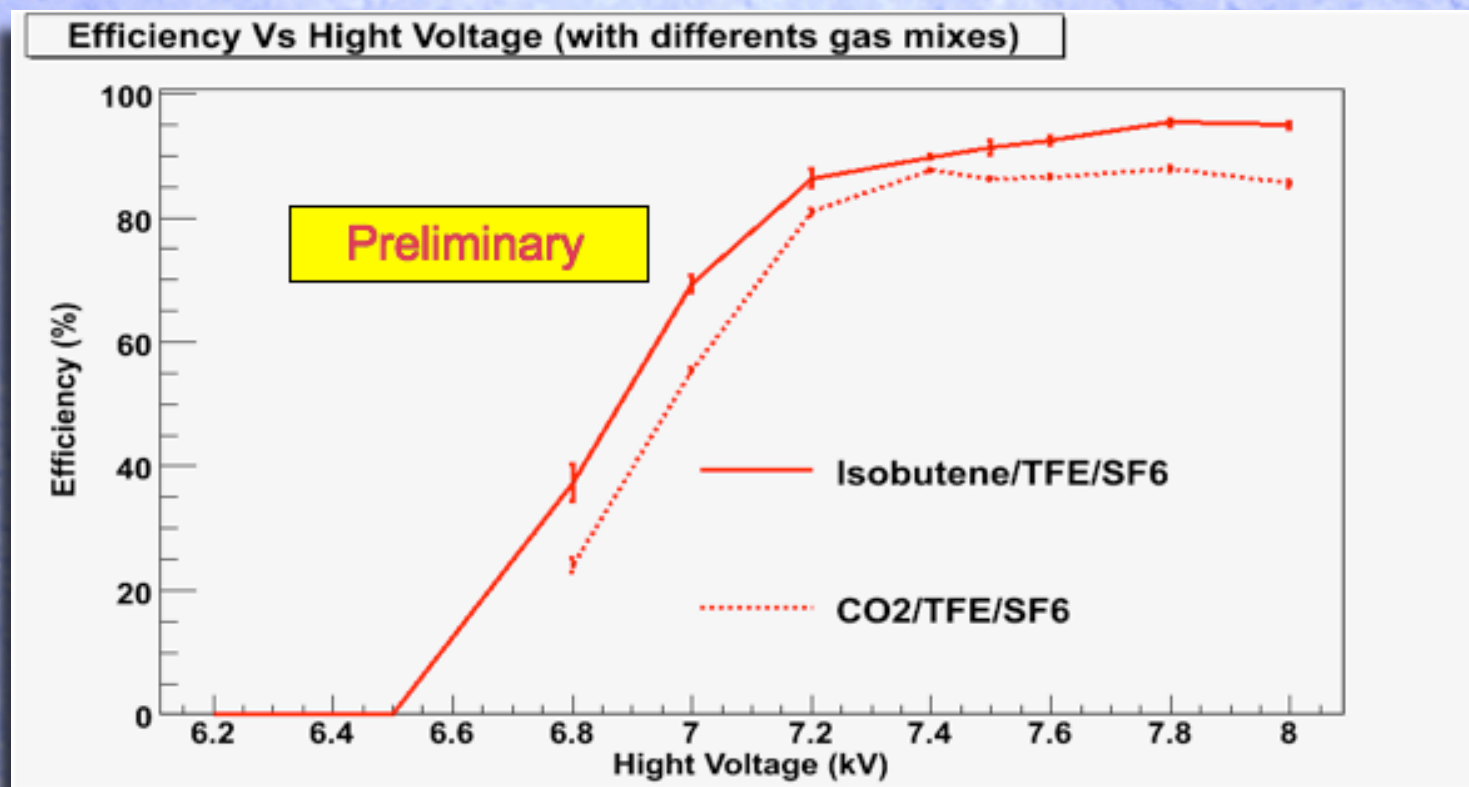
- We **learn a lot with test beams**.
- 1m² chambers have been produced **minimizing dead zones**.
- **Electronic was tested** for both **small chamber** (test beam), and **1m²** ones (cosmic).

Outlook & plans:

- Bring 1m² chambers fully equipped on **test beam at CERN** (End of June)
- Use CERN's **Gamma Irradiating Facility** to learn about **detector's lifetime**.
- Start 1m² **chambers production** for the **1m³ prototype** (40 to be done)
- Built 1m³ **mechanical structure**
- Have a **test beam with 1m³** in **second half of 2010**
- Improve PFA algorithms to **optimize reconstruction**.

Thanks for your attention.

Other studies

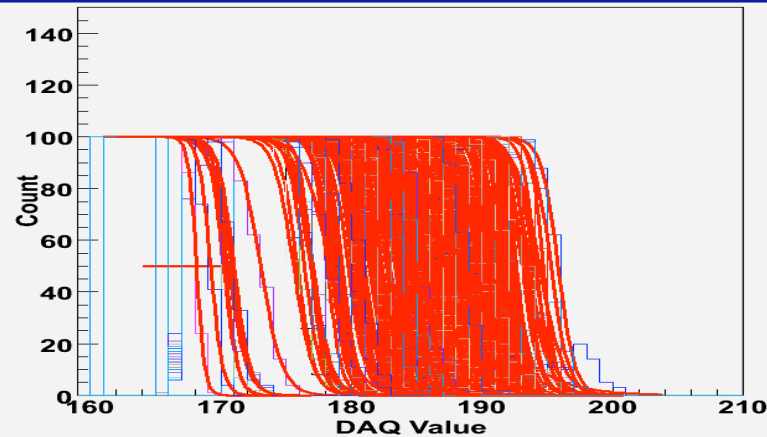


The **first tests** using **CO₂** to **replace isobutane** are quite promising.

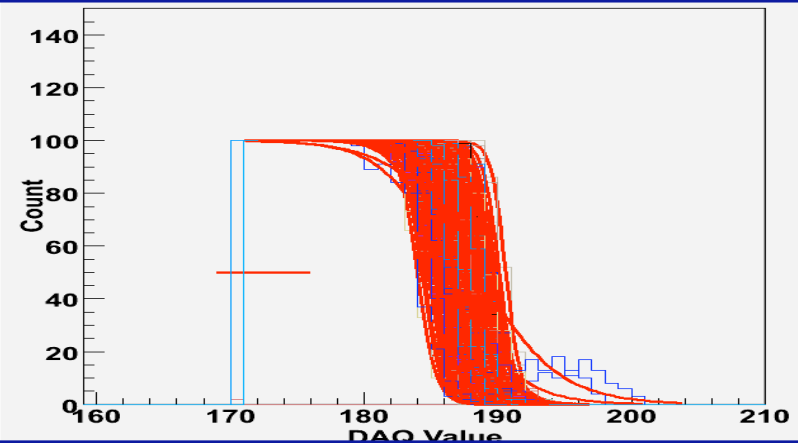
(Gas mix with CO₂ will be **intensively tested** next test beam)

Readout Calibration

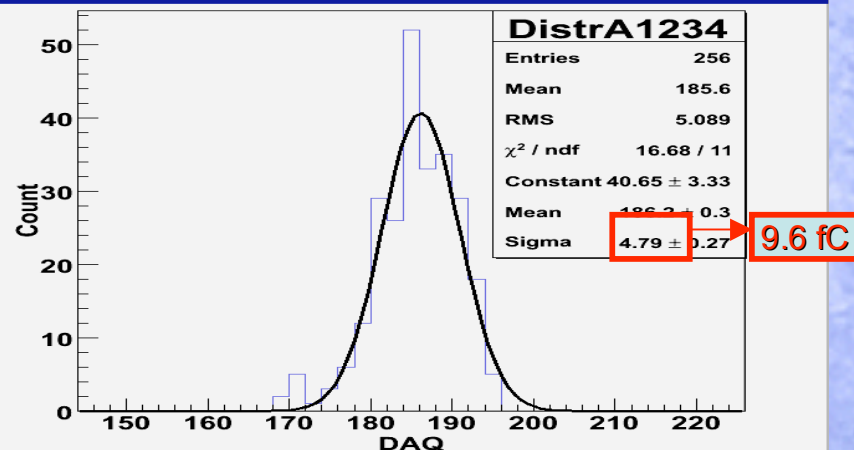
256 channel's SCurves (before correction)



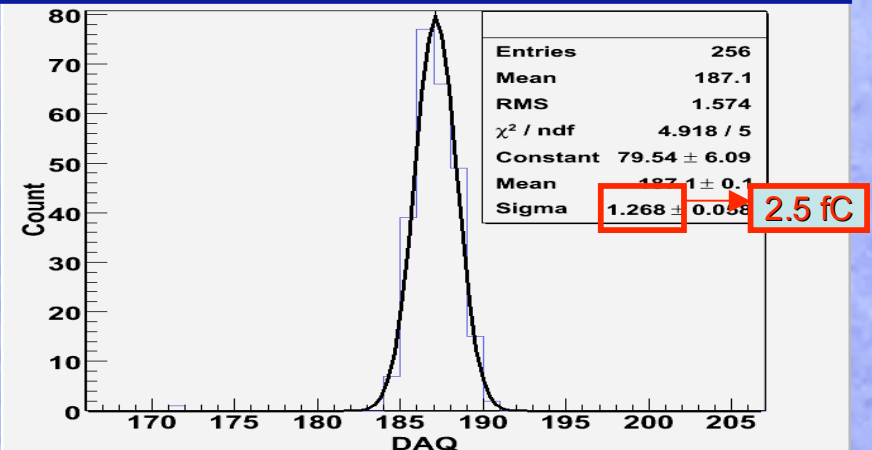
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Threshold distribution (before correction)



Threshold distribution (after correction)



1DAQ = 2 ± 1 fC (Injected charge: 100 fC)

Reduction of channel dispersion by a factor 3