





# Current R&D Status of the CALICE DHCAL

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### **The DHCAL Project**

### **RPC** – based imaging calorimeter

#### DHCAL = First large scale calorimeter prototype with

Embedded front-end electronics Digital (= 1 – bit) readout Pad readout of RPCs (RPCs usually read out with strips)





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DCHAL Collaboration	Heads
Engineers/Technicians	22
Students/Postdocs	9
Physicists	10
Total	41



### 1 m<sup>3</sup> – Digital Hadron Calorimeter Physics Prototype

#### Description

Readout of  $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$  pads with one threshold (1-bit)  $\rightarrow$  **Digital Calorimeter** Layers inserted into the existing CALICE Analog (scintillator) HCAL and TCMT structures 38 layers in DHCAL and 14 in tail catcher (TCMT), each  $\sim 1 \times 1 \text{ m}^2$ Each layer with 3 RPCs, each 32 x 96 cm<sup>2</sup>  $\sim$ 480,000 readout channels

#### Purpose

Validate DHCAL concept Gain experience running large RPC systems Measure hadronic showers in great detail Validate hadronic shower models (Geant4)

#### Status

Started construction in 2008 Completed in 2010 Several test beam campaigns at Fermilab



### The DHCAL in the Test Beam

		Date	DHCAL layers	RPC_TCMT layers	SC_TCM T layers	Total RPC layers	Total layers	Readout channels
Run I	-{	10/14/2010 - 11/3/2010	38	0	16	38	54	350,208+320
	Γ	1/7/2011 – 1/10/2011	38	0	8	38	46	350,208+160
Run II Run III Run IV		1/11/2011 - 1/20/2011	38	4	8	42	50	387,072+160
		1/21/2011 - 2/4/2011	38	9	6	47	53	433,152+120
	L	2/5/2011 – 2/7/2011	38	13	0	51	51	470,016+0
	-{ -{	4/6/2011 - 5/11/2011	38	14	0	52	52	479,232+0
		5/26/2011 - 6/28/2011	38	14	0	52	52	479,232+0
Run V	-{	11/2/2011 – 12/6/2011	50	0	0	50	50	460800

### ~ 480K readout channels ~ 35M events







### The Latest Test Beam Campaign

November 2, 2011 – December 6 2011

### 50 layers, no absorber

 $\begin{array}{l} \rightarrow 13 \ X_0 \\ \rightarrow 1.3 \ \lambda_I \end{array}$ 

460800 readout channels

Well prepared for the tertiary beam: 0.2 - 2 GeV/c

→ The tertiary beamline did not work

 $\rightarrow$  Took a lot of positron data



### **General DHCAL Analysis Strategy**

#### Noise measurement

- Determine noise rate (correlated and not-correlated)
- Identify (and possibly mask) noisy channels
- Provide random trigger events for overlay with MC events (if necessary)

#### Measurements with muons

- Geometrically align layers in x and y
- Determine efficiency and multiplicity in 'clean' areas
- Simulate response with GEANT4 + RPCSIM (requires tuning 3-6 parameters)
- Determine efficiency and multiplicity over the whole  $1 \times 1 \text{ m}^2$
- Compare to simulation of tuned MC
- Perform additional measurements, such as scan over pads, etc...

#### Measurement with positrons

- Determine response
- Compare to MC and tune  $4^{\text{th}}$  (d $_{\text{cut}}$ ) parameter of RPCSIM
- Perform additional studies, e.g. software compensation...

#### Measurement with pions

- Determine response
- Compare to MC (no more tuning) with different hadronic shower models
- Perform additional studies, e.g. software compensation, leakage correction...

### **Noise Measurement**

7 event categories in noise (self triggered) runs (in/out of spill):

- 1. Low multiplicity random noise
- 2. High multiplicity random noise
- 3. Cosmic rays & beam muons
- 4. Ground connector related noise
- 5. Board noise
- 6. Ground connector & board noise
- 7. Beam events
- Number of 'dead' asics is very small
- RPC's are in good shape after several beam tests
  - Average noise level is stable
  - Absolute noise level fluctuates with temperature
- Noise contribution to triggered beam data is extremely small (~0.1 hit/event for entire DHCAL+TCMT – 480K channels)
  - This noise level corresponds to ~6MeV/event
  - RPCs contribute negligible noise hits to beam data
  - Correlated noise level needs more study
- Noise 'hot spots' are due to unclean surface
  - Not a problem if temperature is low

### **Beam and Trigger for Muon events**



Run	# of muon events
October 2010	1.4 Million
January 2011	1.6 Million
April 2011	2.5 Million
June 2011	2.2 Million
November 2011	1 Million
TOTAL	~ 9 Million

### Alignment



#### For each readout board i plot residual in x/y

•TL

•T R

•M L •M R

BL

•B R

25

30

TE

•м і

•M B BL

BR

30

35

Layer Number

35 Laver Number

$$R_{x}^{i} = x_{cluster}^{i} - x_{track}^{i}$$
$$R_{y}^{i} = y_{cluster}^{i} - y_{track}^{i}$$

Dimensions in [cm]



Calibration factors = mean of multiplicity distribution/(average over detector) =  $\epsilon \cdot \mu / \epsilon_{0^{\text{T}}} \mu_0$ 

### **Track segment analysis**

### Method

Use clusters (= *source clusters*) in 2 layers to study layer in between (=*target cluster*) e.g. use  $L_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i+1}$  to look at  $L_i$ 

#### **Source clusters**

Required to have at most 3 hits Lateral distance between source clusters at most 3 cm No additional hits within 7 cm of source clusters

#### **Target cluster**

Searched for within radius of 2 cm from line between source clusters

### **Comparison of**

Muon runs analyzed with tracks Muon runs analyzed with track segments Pion run analyzed with track segments

# Clear correlation between different methods ...but systematic differences



### **Pion-Positron Preliminary Analysis**

#### First look at data

To provide possible feedback to data taking and setup Speed is important!

#### **Develop analysis tools**

Final analysis will require large effort This is the beginning...



### **Results - October 2010 Data**

### **CALICE Preliminary**



### DHCAL Response to Hadrons response not calibrated





Standard pion selection + No hits in last two layers (longitudinal containment)

B. Bilki et.al. JINST4 P10008, 2009.

MC predictions for a large-size DHCAL based on the Vertical Slice Test.

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### Uncorrected for non-linearity Corrected for non-linearity

### **Correction for non-linearity**

Needed to establish resolution Correction on an event-by-event basis

B. Bilki et.al. JINST4 P04006, 2009.

Data (points) and MC (red line) for the Vertical Slice Test and the MC predictions for a large-size DHCAL (green, dashed line).

## Conclusion

Hadron showers were observed with unprecedented spatial resolution.

DHCAL-specific algorithms are being generated.

Calorimetric properties are within expectations with a first-look analysis.

Next steps in the analysis:

- Calibrate the DHCAL
- Fine-tune the simulations
- Final calorimetric measurements
- Physics measurements (shower shapes, software compensation, detailed modeling of hadronic interaction, etc.)

The DHCAL concept is being validated.