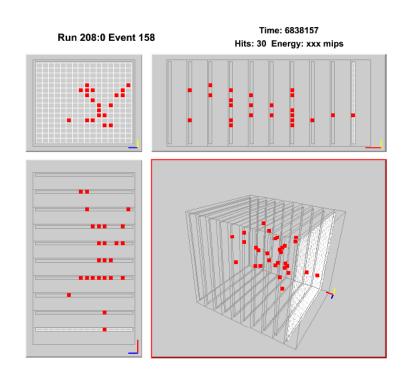
# Analysis of Test Beam Data from the Vertical Slice Test of the Digital Hadron Calorimeter



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# **Outline**

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Monte Carlo Simulation = Integration of current knowledge of the experiment

**Perfect knowledge** → **Perfect agreement with data** 

Missing knowledge → Not necessarily disagreement with data

Disagreement with data  $\rightarrow$  Missing knowledge, misunderstanding of experiment

Perfect agreement with data → Not necessarily perfect knowledge

# I Vertical Slice Test

#### Test of whole system with

Up to 10 RPCs, each 20 x 20 cm<sup>2</sup> (Up to 2560 channels)

#### **RPCs**

Up to 9 2-glass designs 1 1-glass design Only use RPC0 – RPC5 in analysis of  $e^+$ ,  $\pi^+$  Only use RPC0 – RPC3 for rate dependence



#### **Absorber**

For cosmic rays, muon, pions, electrons: Steel (16 mm) + Copper (4 mm)
Rate capability measurement (120 GeV protons): 16 mm PVC with whole cut out in center

#### **Test beam**

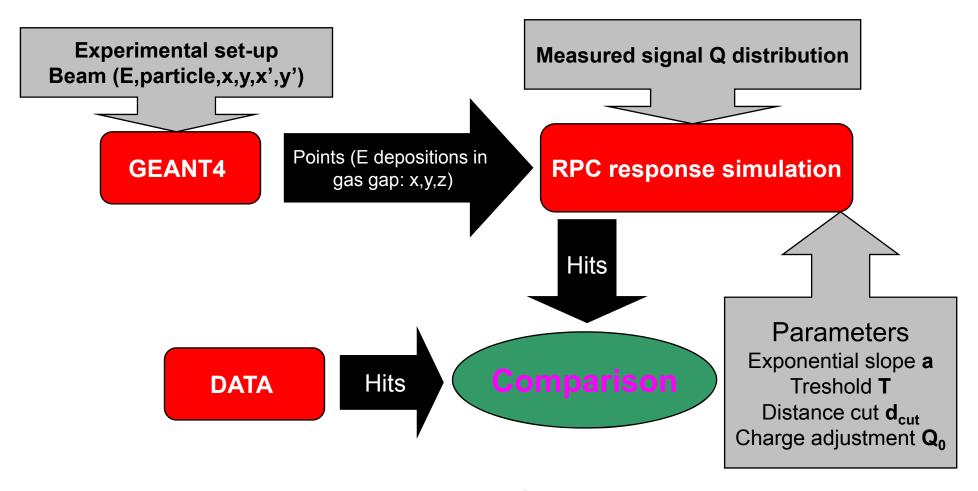
Collected data in Fermilab's MT6 beam line Used

Primary beam (120 GeV protons) with beam blocker for muons Primary beam without beam blocker for rate measurements Secondary beam for positrons and pions at 1,2,4,8, and 16 GeV/c



# **II** Simulation Strategy

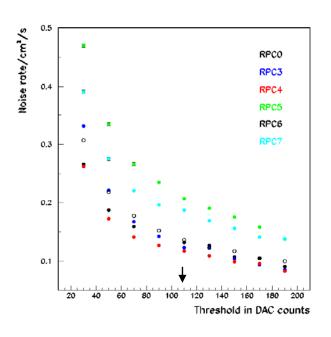


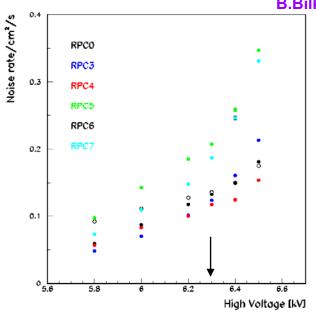


With muons – tune a, T, (d), and  $Q_0$ With positrons – tune d Pions – no additional tuning

# **III Measurement of Noise Rates**







#### **B.Bilki et al., 2008 JINST 3 P05001**

# At the default setting the rate measures

~ 0.1 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>

For a 5·10<sup>7</sup> channel calorimeter this rate corresponds to 1 hit in a 200 ns gate

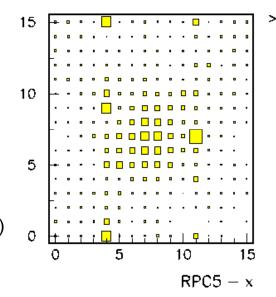
#### **Noise rates**

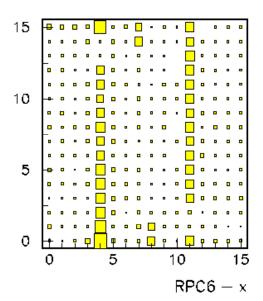
Decrease with increasing threshold Increase with increasing high voltage

#### x - y map

Noise rates higher around location of spacers (fishing lines)

Somewhat higher in center (beam activation?)



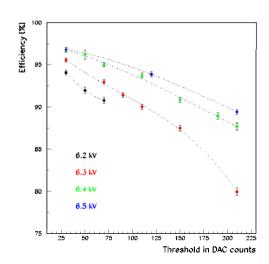


# IV Analysis of Muon data

#### **Explored operating space**

Dependence on threshold & HV

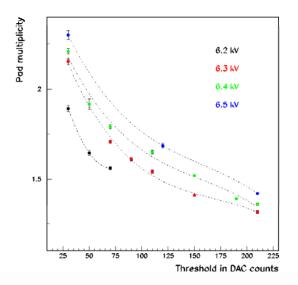
#### Results confirmed earlier studies

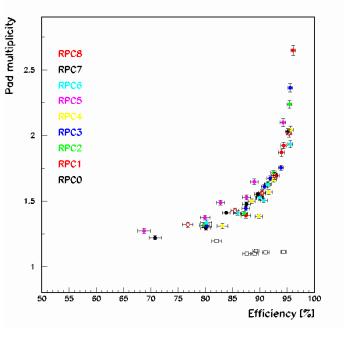


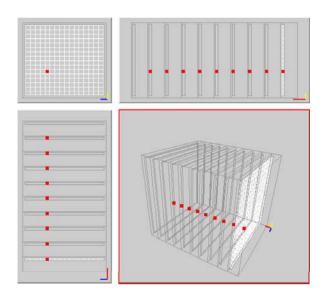
# Efficiency vs. pad multiplicity

2-glass RPCs: results on common curve

1-glass RPC: constant  $\mu^{MIP} \sim 1.1$ 







Chose as default operating point

HV = 6.3 kV, THR = 110



 $\epsilon^{MIP} \sim 90\%$   $\mu^{MIP} \sim 1.5$ 

B.Bilki et al., 2008 JINST 3 P05001



## **Data selection (minimal)**

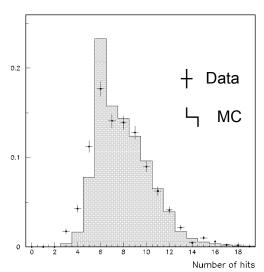
At most 1 cluster/layer Fiducial cut around border of RPCs At least 3/6 RPCs with hits

## Plots considered for tuning

Sum of all hits Average number of hits/layer

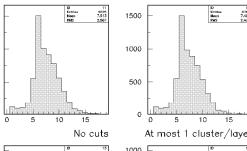
#### Simulation looks ~OK

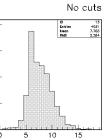
Now let's tune the parameters



#### **Simulation**

#### Number of hits





+ fiducial cut

1500

1000

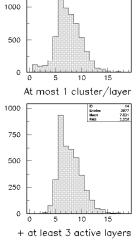
500

1000

750 500

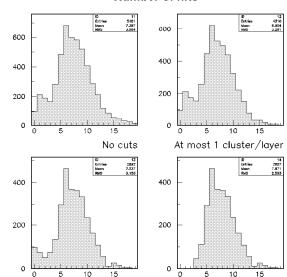
250

5000



#### Data

#### Number of hits



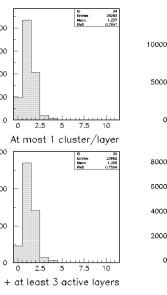
#### Number of hits/layer

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5000

7.5

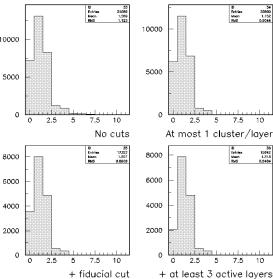
+ fiducial cut



#### Number of hits/layer

+ at least 3 active layers

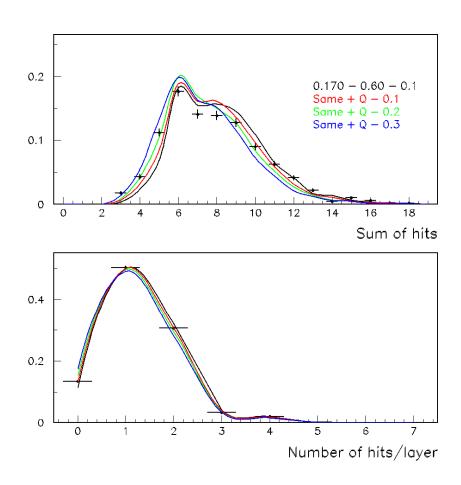
+ fiducial cut







# Hit distributions after tuning of simulation

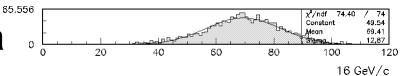


# **Best parameters**

Slope a	0.170 cm
Threshold T	0.60 pC
Inefficiency distance d <sub>cut</sub>	0.1 cm
Charge offset Q <sub>0</sub>	-0.2 pC

Not perfect, but hopefully good enough

# **V** Analysis of Positron Data

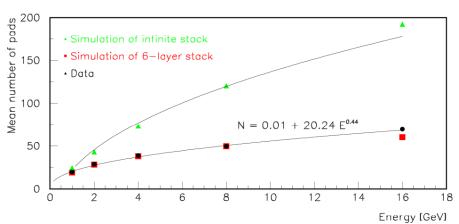


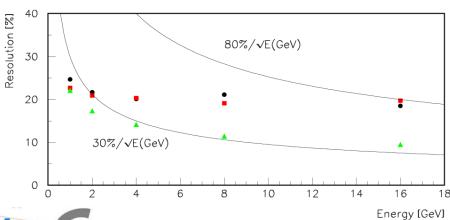
#### Data at

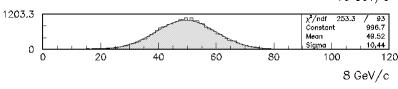
1, 2, 4, 8, 16 GeV (electrons selected by Čerenkov)

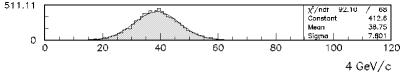
#### Response well fit by Gaussian

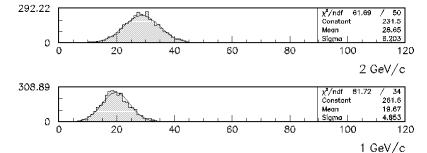
#### Accident!











#### **Monte Carlo simulation**

Both mean and sigma well reproduced

#### Large non-linearity

Dominated by leakage out the back (only  $6.8 X_0$ ) Infinite stack – non-linearity due to overlaps in pads

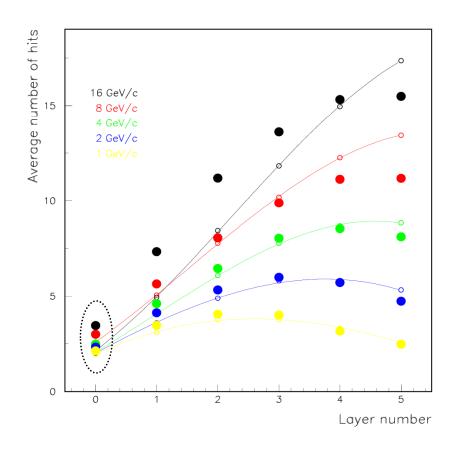
#### Resolution

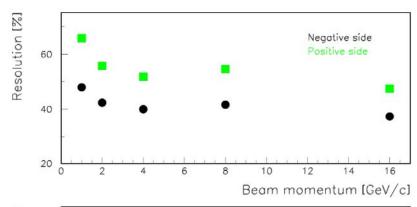
Effect of non-linearity ignored in this plot Infinite stack – should reach 30%/√E at least

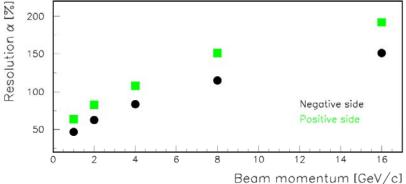


#### Resolution values corrected for non-linearity

Remember → Dominated by leakage Effect of overlaps (saturation) secondary







#### Measurement of longitudinal shower shape

Agreement with simulation adequate (at best)
Simulation - Requires additional material in beam line





# Longitudinal shower shape

Extra material in beam helps first layers

Deficit in last layers

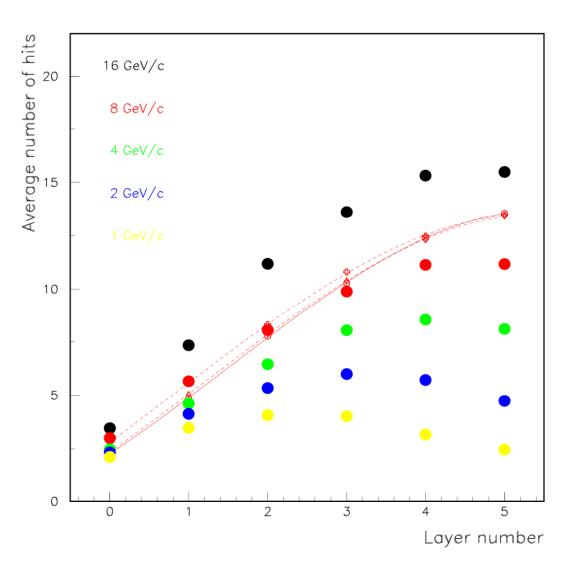
→ need to check efficiency using pion data with same beam set-up

Data

MC: No material in beam

∇ MC: Reasonable material in beam

 $\Box$  MC: Lots of material in beam (1/4  $X_0$ )



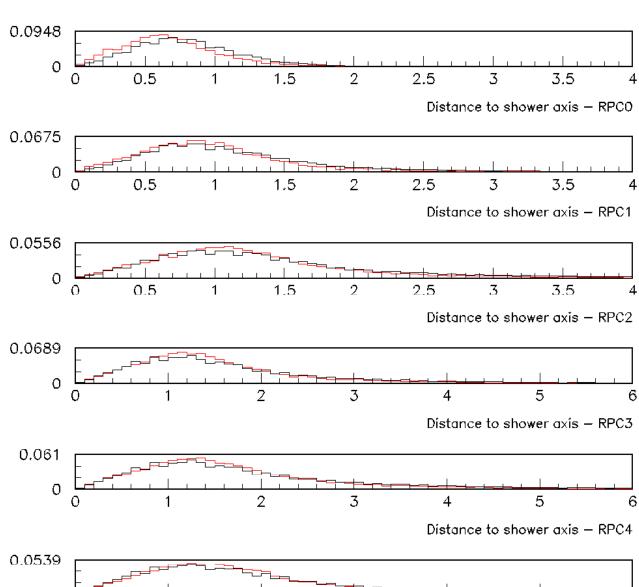


# Lateral shower profile

Without material in beam

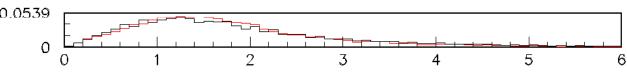
First layer too narrow

Subsequent layers OK



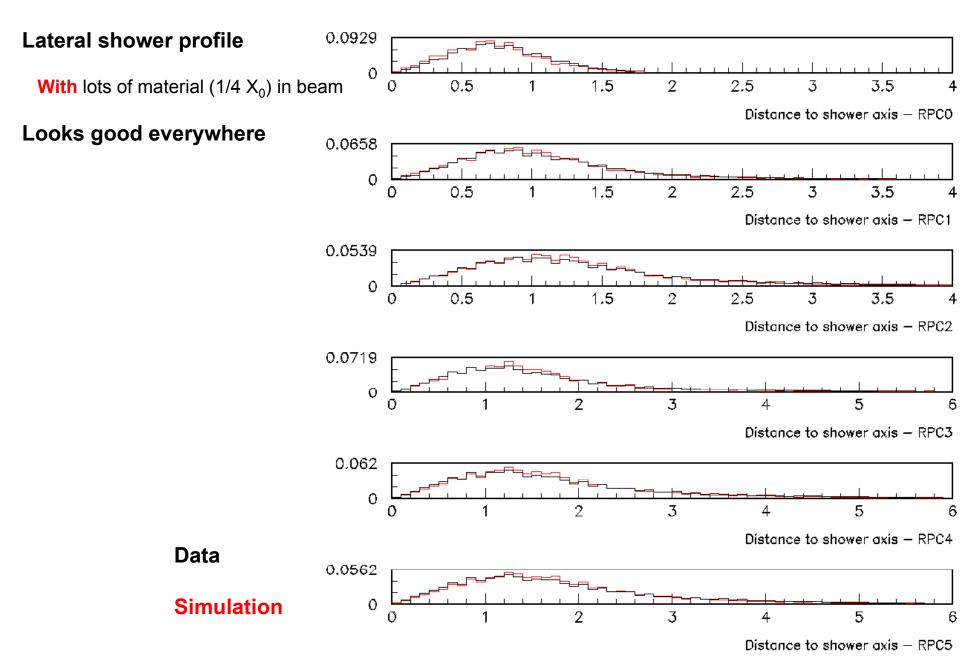
#### **Data**

**Simulation** 



Distance to shower axis — RPC5







# Lateral shower profile

Extra material helps, but not enough

More outliers in data

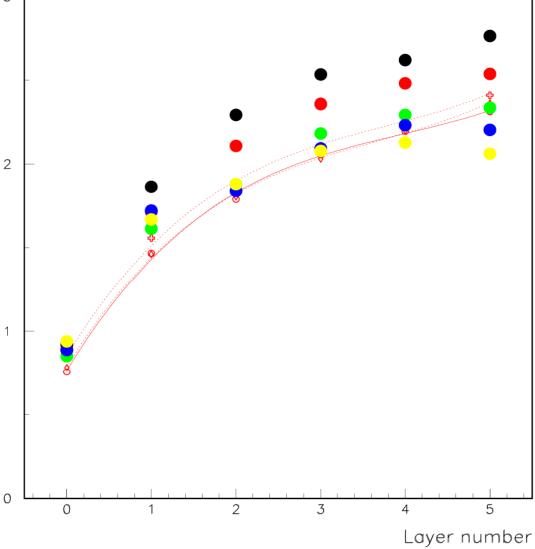
Still under investigation...

Shower radius

Data

MC: No material in beam

 $\Box$  MC: Lots of material in beam (1/4  $X_0$ )



# **VI Response to Pions**



#### Data at

1, 2, 4, 8, 16 GeV (electrons rejected by Čerenkov)

# 6 layer stack corresponding to 0.7 $\lambda_{\rm I}$

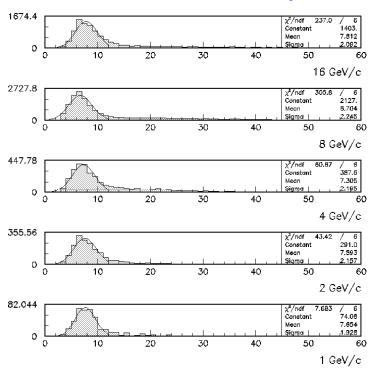
#### **Analysis separates**

Non-interacting pions/muons
Pions interacting in first layers
Pions interacting later (rejected)

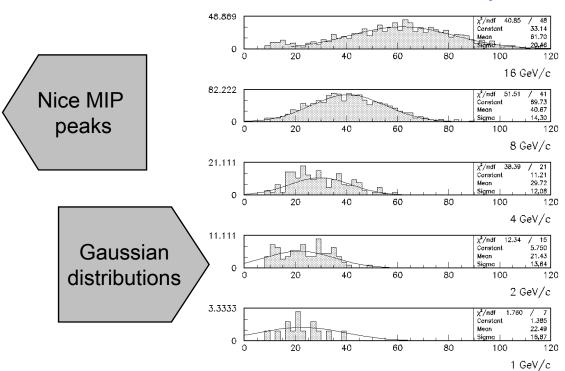
Exactly one cluster in first layer Distance R< 5 Number of hits in **first** layer <5

# MIP selection

#### Number of hits in **second** layer < 5



# Pion selection Number of hits in **second** layer ≥ 5

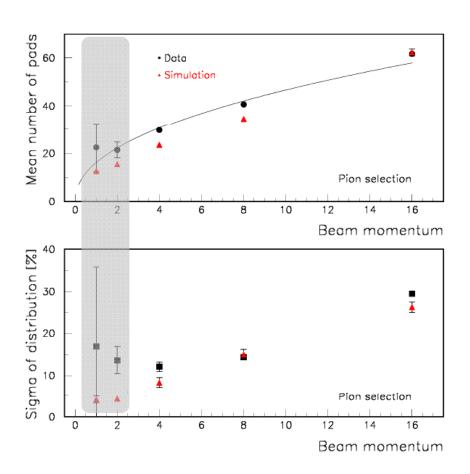


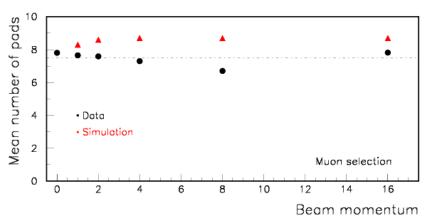
#### **MIP** selection

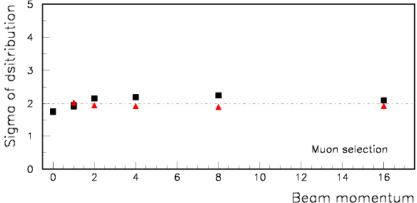
Mean and sigma ~independent of beam momentum Mean not very well reproduced by simulation

→ Beam contains muons, simulation does not (data are cleaner !!!)

Width of distributions adequately reproduced







#### Pion selection

Measurements at 16, 8 and 4GeV/c Not sufficient statistics at 2, 1 GeV/c Non-linearity due to leakage Adequate agreement with simulation





# VII RPCs' Rate Dependence

## **RPC's recovery**

RPCs are inefficient at high rates

Typical acceptable rates are ~ 1 Hz/cm² in streamer and ~ 100 Hz/cm² in avalanche mode

#### Rate dependence measurement

Measure MIP detection efficiency at different rates Look for 2 effects

- > Drop of efficiency after a hit as function of time difference between the hits
- Drop of efficiency as function of rate on chamber

Very tricky measurements

## **Experimental set-up**

Stack without absorber plates

7 RPCs in total

6 Default, 1 Exotic
Default High voltage and threshold setting
Problems with grounding → good data on only 4 RPCs

MT6SC1 Paddles Stack

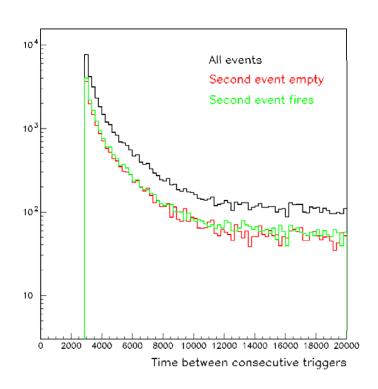
120 GeV proton beam at variable rates

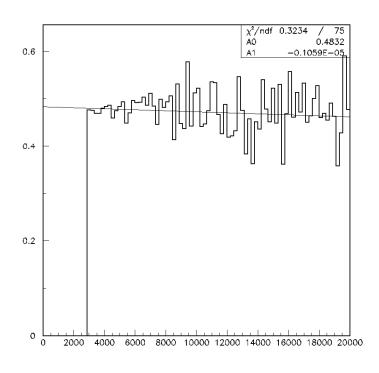
Trigger → Coincidence of 2 (19 x 19 cm<sup>2</sup>) paddles with 1.0 (0.3) ms DAQ veto



#### Deadtime after hit?

Select events with hits in RPC0
Check if next event has hits or not in RPC0
Calculate time difference Δt between these consecutive events
Minimum time difference given by 0.3 ms DAQ veto (only used during VST)





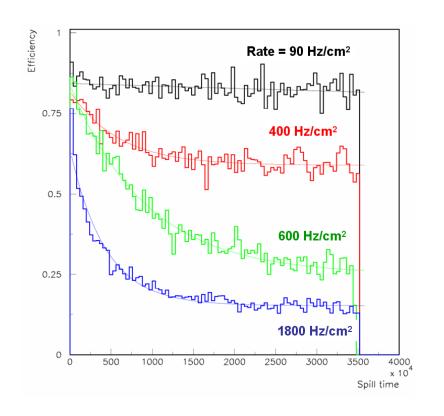
No depletion of events with hits at short  $\Delta t$ 

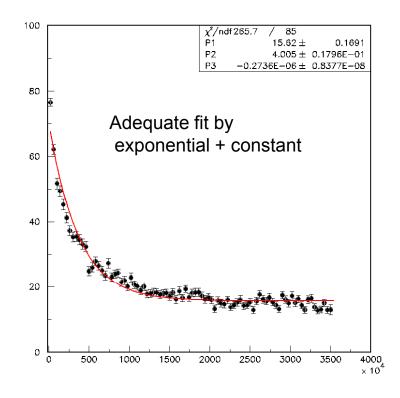
Good news: deadtime < 0.3 ms



## Study of the efficiency

Only use RPC0 (minimum bias from interactions) Fermilab test beam spills last 3.5 seconds Efficiency plotted versus time within spills





Efficiency drops for rates ≥ 100 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>

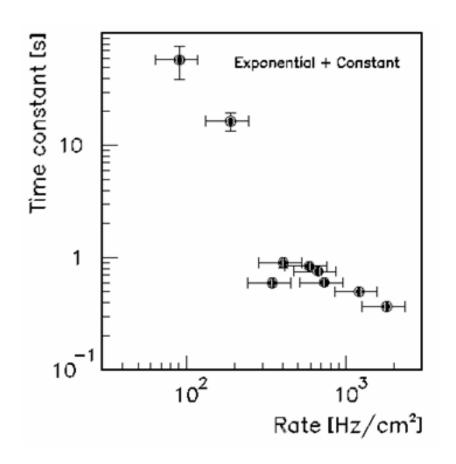
In agreement with previous measurements with sources

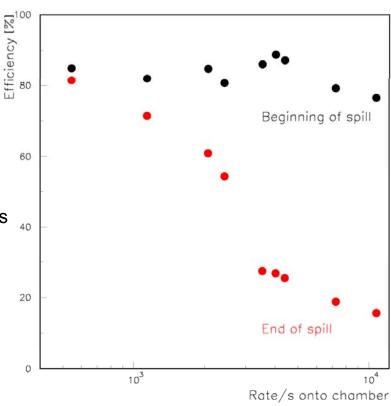
## Efficiency at beginning of spill

Independent of rate
Perhaps slight decrease at high rate (fast decrease)

# Efficiency at end of 3.5 second spill

Efficiency decrased at rates > 100 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>
This efficiency remains constant for times longer than 3.5 secs





# Time constant of exponential decrease

Time constant < 1 seconds at high rates

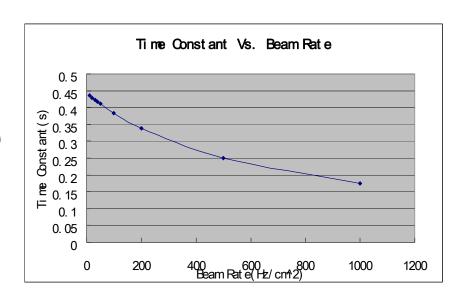




## Calculation of the gap voltage as function of rate

#### **Definitions**

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Rate} & \text{f (Hz/cm}^2) \\ \text{Signal charge} & \text{q (pC)} \\ \text{Avalanche turn on voltage} & \text{U}_0 \, (\text{V}) \\ \text{Applied high voltage} & \text{U}_{\text{all}}, \, \text{U}_{\text{gap}}, \, \text{U}_{\text{glass}} \, (\text{V}) \\ \text{Charge density} & \text{s(/)} \\ \text{Current density in the glass} & \text{I(A/cm}^2) \\ \text{Glass resistivity} & \rho(\Omega \text{cm}^2) \\ \text{Gap thickness} & \text{d} \end{array}$ 



#### Relationships and assumptions

 $U_{all} = U_{gap} + 2 U_{glass}$ s = const. x  $U_{gap}$ 

Assume glass is Ohmic device  $i = U_{glass}/\rho$ 

Assume signal charge  $q = J_0 x (U_{gap} - U_0)$ 

Charge conservation  $ds/dt = q \times f - i$ 

#### Results

Exponential change of U<sub>g</sub>(t) Time constant shorter with higher rates

$$U_{g}(t) = \frac{fJ_{0}(U_{t} - U_{0})}{fJ_{0} + \frac{1}{2\rho d}} \exp\left(\frac{-t}{\frac{\varepsilon_{r}\varepsilon_{0}}{2dJ_{0}f + \frac{1}{\alpha}}}\right) + \frac{1}{2\rho d}$$

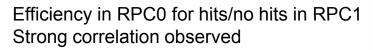
$$\frac{fJ_0U_0 + \frac{U_t}{2\rho d}}{fJ_0 + \frac{1}{2\rho d}}$$

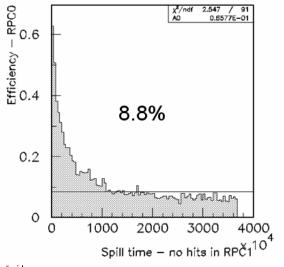
Agrees qualitatively with data

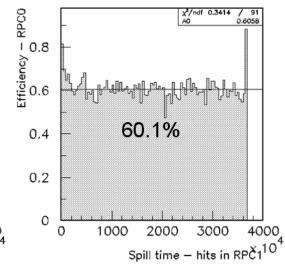
Caveat:  $U_g(t) \neq \varepsilon(t)$ 

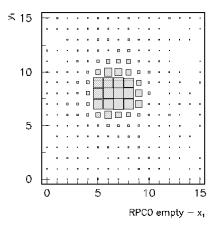
## Study of the correlation between chambers

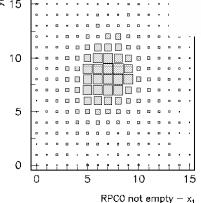












No telescope information available (at the moment) Can only extract position information, if efficient

Plot x,y in RPC1 for hits/no hits in RPC0

Inefficiency local to high rate region of RPCs



# VIII Conclusions

**Instrumentation** paper – published in **IEEE Nuclear Transactions** 

**Muon calibration** paper – published in **JINST** 

**Positron/pion** paper – to be published as soon as simulation satisfactory

Rate dependence paper – Studies almost completed – paper soon

Environmental dependence paper – QingMin Zhang's talk this morning almost all the data for publication

# **Backup slides**

# Rate Capability...

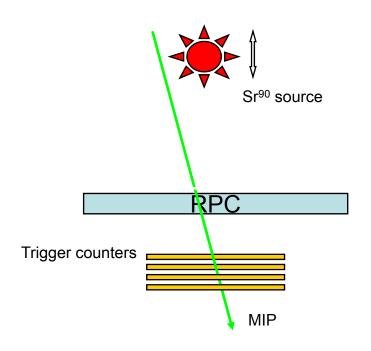
Cosmic Rays and Sources

# **Efficiency for MIPS**

Measurement triggered by scintillation counters

# Variable rates

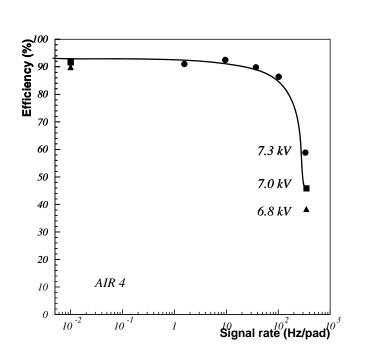
Measurement Self-triggered



#### Problems with this method

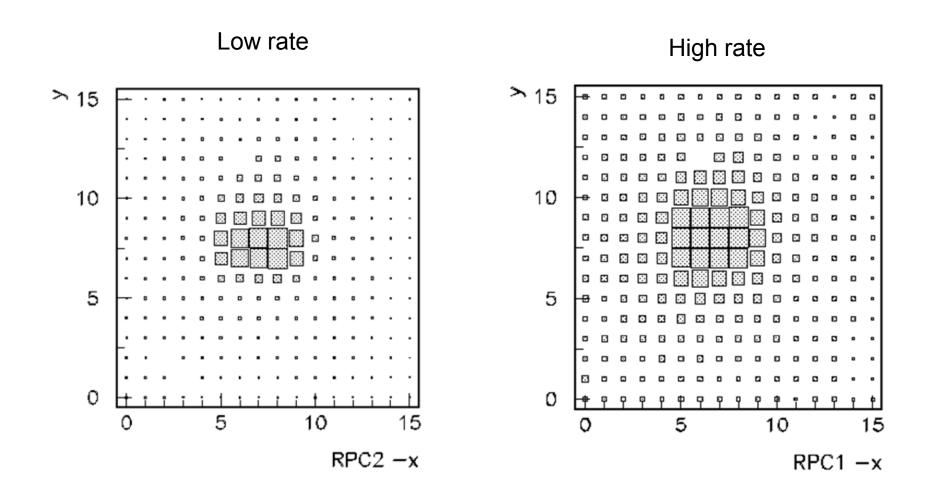
- Rates from source not uniform over area
- Efficiency drop affects rate measurement
- Source provides e<sup>-</sup>, not MIPs
- Cosmic ray trigger contaminated

Rate capability at least 50 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>



# Beam profile

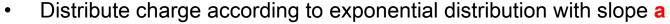
Pretty collimated beam Area  $\sim 2.5 \text{ x } 4 \text{ cm}^2 = 10 \text{ cm}^2$ Gets a bit wider at higher rates: effect of inefficiency?



# II Simulation Strategy



- Generate muons (at some energy) with GEANT4
  - (with same x-y distribution and slope as in the data)
- Get x,y,z of each energy deposit (point) in the active gaps
- Generate charge from measured charge distribution for each point (according to our own measurements)
- Introduce charge offset Q<sub>0</sub> for flexibility
- Introduce d<sub>cut</sub> to filter close-by points (choose one randomly)
   (RPCs do not generate close-by avalanches)
- Noise hits can be safely ignored



- Apply threshold T to flag pads above threshold (hits)
- Adjust a, T, d<sub>cut</sub> and Q<sub>0</sub> to reproduce measured hit distributions
- Generate positrons at 8 GeV with GEANT4

(with same x-y distribution and slope as in the data)

- Introduce material upstream to reproduce measured shapes etc... RPC data Y in mm
- Re-adjust d<sub>cut</sub> if necessary
   (Muon data not very sensitive to d<sub>cut</sub>)
- Generate predictions for other beam energies
- Generate pions at any beam energy

