HCal Calibration Status ¬

On the hard way from the pit to physics analysis

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CERN data – Calibrations – Corrections

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MIP Calibration ¬

Fit the Landau (plus smearing) spectrum of muon response

Most important calibration measurement:

- Gauge to physics scale
- Zero suppression (reject amplitudes below ½ MIP)

Uncertainty on measurement linear on MIP uncertainty

More details on systetatic studies and results ⇒ talk by N. D'Ascenzo

Noise Occupancy ¬

Most simple analysis: number of hits (i.e. cells with an amplitude of more than half a MIP) in muon events. Note the random triggers!



EM Shower Analysis

First step to study HADRON showers is to understand our novel PROTOTYPE detector on the well understood EM SCALE

Muons were easy: smoking gun signatures, low hit amplitudes

To study electron response, two major things change:

- Event selection gets important (talks by B. Lutz, D. Ward, M. Ruan)
- Hit amplitudes are much larger, and SiPMs are non-linear devices

Various unknowns are connected: event selection, reconstruction, various corrections, and MC comparison

For first status see talks by O. Wendt (MC) and N. Wattimena (EM)

SiPM Saturation ¬

Idealized case: 34x34 equal pixels, unform photon flux, no x-talk: $N_{pix} = N_{tot} (1 - P^N_{p.e.})$ with $P = (N_{tot} - 1) / N_{tot}$



 \Rightarrow Need to know amplitude in pixels for possibility of correction

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Gain Calibration ¬

Use high electronics gain to resolve and fit single photons (not visible with standard gain)

B. Lutz



Electronics Inter-Calibration



Relate high and standard electronics gain by comparing mean response to LED at reasonable light intensities

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Light-Yield Calibration ¬

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Calibration Performance -

Channels (out of 3240 / 4968) which could not be calibrated for various reasons (dead, noisy, long discharge, no LED, ...):

	MIP	gain	IC	any
Period I	63 (12)	108 (12)	43 (9)	123 (15)
Period IIb	329 (131)	149 (89)	32 (17)	347 (132)

Numbers in brackets refer to Module 1:

Fraction of uncalibrated channels <10% in P.I \rightarrow >50% in P.IIb This decay of performance is not understood, yet

The good news: All other modules behave very well

Few percent non-calibrated channels partially still could be recovered with some effort

Non-Linearity Correction ¬

Correction factor derived from inverted saturation curve

Even moderate uncertainties (assume 5%) on the pixel scale result in large uncertainties of the correction factor at high amplitudes ⇒ special treatment for high amplitudes needed



Non-LinearityCorrection Scale

Example: 30 GeV electron showers from Period I



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Utilize correction validated at DESY (electron up to 6 GeV): First term of series expansion, use N_{tot} as free parameter



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It is known that the HCal tiles are not light tight from single-module tests at DESY: About 10% of light leaks out of tile

Example MIP calibration: Muon through middle tile in sketch







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However, the picture looks different in showers, where neighbouring tiles are above threshold even without light leakage

A typical EM shower in the same sketch:





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Summary and Outlook

Calibrations:

MIP, gain and, electronics intercalibration available

Good accuracy for physics analysis of stable detector operation

Correction for varying conditions to come (talk by S. Schätzel)

Corrections:

Tests at DESY with low beam energy and PMT as linear scale

Only linear scale at CERN is beam energy, so non-linearity correction at higher energies can only be done iteratively

Light cross-talk affects reconstructed energy scale as well, interplay of non-linearity and light cross-talk, even more iterations needed