# GEM DHCAL Update: KPiX Electronics

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  - Motivation and Calorimeter Concept
  - Test Beam Results
    (QPA02
    Fermilab Preamp)

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#### GEM-based Digital Calorimeter Concept

- Flexible: configuration allows cells of anode pads on order of cm<sup>2</sup> for high granularity
- Robust: survives ~10<sup>12</sup> particles/mm<sup>2</sup> with no performance degradations
- Fast: based on electron collection (~few ns rise time)
- Recovery: can handle high rates
- Simple Gas: Ar:Co2
- Reduce nominal operating voltage: 2kV for double GEM
- Utilize Double GEM technology



# GEM Technology



- Gas Electron Multiplier gaseous ionizing detector
- Charge multiplication occurs in avalanches through foils – apply 400V over 65µm foil
- Minimum Ionizing Particles produce # of electron/ion pairs dependent on size of drift gap

# GEM at the FNAL Test Beam – 120 GeV







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#### KPiX Version 4 Calibration

- Unique Capabilities
  - Integrated calibration operation
    - Pedestal distribution (mean, width)
    - Gains calibrations (slope)
      - Onboard DAC injects charge through readout electronics
  - □ 3 Gain modes available: <u>normal, double</u>, low
- Time Dependence of Calibration Constants
  - Calibration Constants: pedestal, noise (width), gain
  - Performed two sets of calibrations each two days apart for a 19 and 24 hour time in one hour periods
  - Plot the constants



#### KPiX Version 4

Source Data

Strontium 90 (SLAC source)

Simulation

Estimate MIP response in KPiX/GEM



### Study of Source Data Behaviors

KPiX Version 4 electronics signal trigger

- Version 4 periodic reset also causes signal integration to stop early
- Timing designed for ILC accelerator clock

No external trigger scheme for Sr-90

- "Random" trigger produces a large noise contribution in signal distribution that overwhelms signal's MIP response
- Simulate KPiX v4 effects on expected Landau distribution

### KPiX Monte Carlo Signal

- Need to approximate effect of
  - 1. Asynchronous running with source
    - Or beam (unless its timed like SLAC's)
  - 2. Periodic Reset in KPiX
    - Periodic reset replaced with DC Reset that does not interrupt signal integration
- Simulation Procedure
  - Assume GEM ionization charge distribution is Gaussian
  - [Re]Guess initial Landau MIP distribution based on previous GEM chamber MIP responses (beam tests)
  - Simulate periodic reset through random integration of Gaussian
  - Simulate signal's large Gaussian contribution based on real data's noise peak

Initial assumed Landau represents chamber MIP response

If real data and MC match









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### Ch to Ch Variations (KPiX 4)







### Conclusions

- Much progress made with 30cmx30cm GEM chambers
- Calibration constants are stable in Version 4
  - More detailed calibration studies for KPiX v7 in progress
    - Expect stability improvement
- KPiX Version 7 gain variation by a factor of 2 less than Version 4
- GEM-KPiX readout integration in progress
  - Working with SLAC team for cosmic and source tests with improved Version7 KPiX
  - External triggering scheme implemented on KPiX v7
- 1mx33cm long foil development with CERN for 1mx1m unit chambers for large scale test
  - □ 3M Inc. punted on flex circuit division
  - Source, cosmic ray and beam test the chamber
- Looking into large area TGEMs and RETGEM s for the future