An AHCAL-inspired ECAL for the DUNE Near Detector

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DUNE Experiment

• DUNE targets the precise study of neutrino mixing, including the potential discovery of CP violation



Far Detector: Liquid Argon TPC to measure oscillated spectrum - will see CP violation in v_e /anti- v_e appearance

<u>Near Detector</u>: Measures beam before oscillation, required to understand initial flux and cross sections to understand FD signal



Near Detector Tasks

- Measure the energy spectrum of the beam, background rates and contamination
 - Provide precise extrapolation of event rates in the far detector
- Largest errors arise from uncertainties in neutrino-nucleon scattering amplitudes
- Especially: v_{μ} -induced neutral current π^{0} production
 - Photons from the Pion decay can mimic v_e signal events
 - Excellent Photon detection and reconstruction is required
- High beam intensity gives rise to an extended physics program



Near Detector ECal

Possible layout: High Pressure Gaseous Argon TPC surrounded by an electromagnetic calorimeter and magnet



• Conversion probability for photons too low in TPC

 \rightarrow tracker based π^0 reconstruction not possible

- Our interest: Can high granularity help?
 - Try to reconstruct π⁰ decay vertex

<u>The Challenge</u>: Typical π^0 energies ~100MeV \rightarrow Photon energies ~50MeV



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- Default layer structure:
 - 1mm lead absorber
 - 5mm plastic scintillator
 - Gap for electronics
- SiPM readout



Detector Concept

Look at the scenario of a split ECal to instrument space in the TPC pressure vessel

Possible vessel designs: 20mm Steel(~1X₀), 14mm Titan(~0.4X₀)



Inner ECal increases the chance to detect low energy photons



Simulation and Reconstruction

- Simulation is implemented in Geant 4.10.3
- Reconstruction:
 - 1. Apply 0.5 MIP energy cut and amplitude smearing to simulate readout noise
 - 2. Data preprocessing
 - 3. Calculate energy center of gravity in each layer
 - 4. Reconstruct direction with straight line fit of all centers of gravity
 - 5. Calculate angular and energy resolution
- In case of Pions:
 - 6. Use MC-truth to assign calorimeter cells to the photons from π^0 decay
 - 7. Reconstruct π^0 vertex





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4.8% stochastic term, will get worse by simulating more readout/electronics



Angular resolution has direct impact on photon pointing



1. Find the distribution of the angle between true and reconstructed direction for every energy



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Both resolutions are used to compare the performance of the calorimeter



Influence of the Pressure Vessel

1mm lead absorber, Inner granularity: 20mm, Outer granularity: 40mm

Angular resolution

Energy resolution





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Relative angular resolution

Relative energy resolution



Conclusion: Thin titanium pressure vessel yields better results



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Inner granularity: 20mm, Outer granularity: 40mm, 14mm titanium vessel

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Conclusion: Copper yields better angular resolution, but 1mm copper is leaking very much energy



Influence of Inner Granularity

1mm Lead absorber, Outer Granularity: 40mm, 14mm Titanium vessel

Angular resolution

Relative angular resolution





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Relative angular resolution



Conclusion: Granularity in first few X_0 has a major influence on overall angular resolution





• Take point of closest approach of the reconstructed tracks as decay vertex

Highly granular ECal in DUNE



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- 450MeV
- 1mm lead absorber
- Inner granularity 20mm, outer granularity 40mm



2X





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Hardware Studies

Several tiles with projective fiber readout ready/in production at the MPP



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- 90x90x5mm scintillator Tile
- 8 fibers separated by 10mm
- Sub surface laser engraved optical barriers to separate channels
- SiPM readout for every fibre

Try to achieve higher granularity with crossed strip geometry



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Summary and Outlook

- Pressure vessel worsens energy resolution in general
 - 14mm Titanium has less negative impact than 20mm Steel
- Absorber material influences angular and energy resolution
 - Copper is better than lead
- \bullet Granularity in first few X_0 influences overall angular resolution
- Pion reconstruction can be improved with information on angular and energy resolution
- Hardware studies continue at MPP





Backup



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Highly granular ECal in DUNE

Pi0 Distribution



plots curtesy of Chris Marshall



Highly granular ECal in DUNE

30mm Inner Tiles, 2mmCopper

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