Status of AHCAL R&D work

AHCAL technological prototype

- > Design
- Construction
- Data Taking
- Calibration, Stability and Analysis
- Further Developments



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AHCAL technological prototype: design



- highly granular scintillator SiPM-on-tile hadron calorimeter, 3*3 cm² scintillator tiles optimised for uniformity
- fully integrated design
 - front-end electronics, readout
 - voltage supply, LED system for calibration
 - no cooling within active layers
 - electronics adapted to ILC beam structure -> power pulsing
- scalable to full detector (~8 million channels)
- geometry inspired by ILD, similar to SiD and CLICdp
- HCAL Base Unit: 36*36 cm², 144 tiles, 4 SPIROC2E ASICs
 - slabs of 6 HBUs, up to 3 slabs per layer







Reminder: AHCAL physics prototype results



Construction





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AHCAL technological testbeam prototype

- > 38 active layers of 72*72 cm²
- > 4 HBUs per module
 - 16 ASICs, 576 channels of 3*3 cm² tiles
 - in total: 608 ASICs, ~22000 channels
- > all modules with surface-mount MPPCs
 - S13360-1325PE
 - 2668 pixels
 - operated at 5V overvoltage
 - nominal operation voltage within 200mV in a module -> use same voltage
- > all modules are interchangeable
- > additionally in June and October: "Tokyo module" with 6*6 cm² tiles
- construction October 2017 April 2018







Mass production

- > design optimized for mass production
 - SMD SiPMs soldered automatically
 - injection-moulded polystyrene tiles, no further surface treatment
 - automatic wrapping in ESR reflector foil
 - glueing of tiles with screen printer and pick-and-place machine









Quality assurance and calibration

- > SiPM sample tests
- tile sample tests
- test of all ASICs
- all individual HBUs tested and calibrated with LEDs and cosmics
- > all modules (2*2 HBUs) tested with cosmics
- all modules calibrated with LEDs and DESY beam
- result: overall quality very good
- <1‰ dead channels







Datataking





Testbeam setup 9. – 23. May 2018 in H2 at SPS



> 38 active layers of 72*72 cm² in steel absorber with 1.7 cm layer thickness (~4 λ)

- > mounted on the movable platform ("scissors table") in H2
- beam instrumentation: wire chambers, trigger scintillators, Cherenkov detector



Testbeam setup 27. June – 4. July 2018 in H2 at SPS



> as in May, plus:

- added one module with 6*6 cm2 tiles
- added CMS HGCAL "thick stack" (12 layers of 1 HBU, 7.4 cm steel absorber) as tailcatcher
- added single HBU in front of absorber as "pre-shower" detector



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Goals of SPS testbeam

technical

- demonstrate capabilities of SiPM-on-tile calorimeter concept with scalable detector design
- reliable operation of large prototype (with power pulsing!)
- > scientific
 - energy linearity and resolution for electrons and pions
 - hit time correlations
 - shower profiles
 - shower separation

> data sets

- wide muon beam for (cross check of) MIP calibration
- energy scan for electrons (with and without power pulsing)
 - energies: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 100 GeV
- energy scan for negative pions
 - energies: 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 100, 120, 160, 200 GeV (+ test at 350 GeV)
- typically several 100,000 events per energy & particle type
- data at shifted beam positions









Calibration, Stability & Analysis





Stable operation: Temperature compensation



gain and photon detection efficiency of SiPMs depend on temperature
can avoid changes by stabilizing temperature or adapting bias voltage (HV)

temperature compensation: use mean temperature in a layer to adjust HV

used routinely, HV changes as expected, gain stays stable



Uniformity and Stability: Gain

- product of SiPM (charge/pixel) and ASIC (ADC/charge) gains
- determined from single-pixel-spectra in LED runs
 - initial determination & daily checks
- µ=16.6 ADC/pixel, RMS=1.0 ADC/pixel (6%)
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DESY



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Uniformity and Stability: Light Yield

- light yield is characteristic of SiPM-tile system
- > calculated from MIP signal and gain
- µ=13.8 pixel, RMS=1.6 pixel (12%)
 - smaller RMS than MIP value in ADC
 - small decrease during production
- > 0.5 MIP threshold at ~7 pixels leads to negligible noise (trigger threshold at ~ 0.2 MID)

(trigger threshold at ~0.3 MIP)







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New feature: hit time measurement

- time is measured with a TDC, resolution depends on bunch clock
 - SPIROC ASIC can run with different bunch clocks: 250 kHz (testbeam mode) and 5 MHz (ILC mode)
- > design goal is ~1ns resolution in ILC mode
- Use time difference between two channels (in different layers) to exclude contribution from time reference
- ~2 ns resolution in testbeam mode ~0.8 ns resolution in ILC mode
 - resolution deteriorates with number of hits in an ASIC





Ongoing Analyses

Analysis of 2018 data progressing well

- All calibrations determined
- Large simulation samples produced
- High level analysis tools developed
- Particle ID based on BDT
- Application of PFA
- Shower shapes
- Machine Learning studies





Magenta: Charged Hadron Cyan: Neutral Hadron Grey: Unclustered Hits



Further developments





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AHCAL prototype: further developments and future plans

> AHCAL developments

- test of full-sized ILD layers: have tested 2*6 HBUs
- Megatiles: would allow larger units for mechanical assembly
- alternative readout ASIC (KlauS): would allow continuous running
- Synergies with SciECAL

Future tests with the large prototype

- CERN SPS testbeam back in 2021
- combined beam test with ECAL in front is highly desirable for realistic performance studies
- beam tests with (existing) tungsten absorber structure









Mechanical Structure & Interfaces

> Tesla geometry

- Allows easy access to all components that might affect a significant fraction of the detector
- Strength shown in earthquake studies
- Interfaces in barrel-endcap gap
 - Current size fits into available space in ILD
 - Further miniturisation might be possible → synergies with developments for SiECAL







Developments for other SiPM-on-Tile Calorimeters

- Or: what do we learn from HGCAL?
- SiPM-on-Tile part of HGCAL follows AHCAL design to a large extent
 - Has factor ~10 more channels
 - Needs to be installed by 2026
 - Lives in a much harsher environment (radiation, data rates, ...)
- Building HGCAL will be an invaluable experience for scaling up a concept by a factor ~100 from a testbeam prototype to an ILC detector







Developments for other SiPM-on-Tile Calorimeters

Recent developments in assembly procedures

Tile Wrapping

 More robust tile wrapping machine

Tile Placing & Glueing

 New pick-and-place machine installed at DESY in the Detector Assembly Facility







Summary

Construction of large AHCAL technological prototype demonstrated:
design scalable to a linear collider detector

- scalable production & assembly methods
- > Testbeam operation in 2018 demonstrated:
 - very stable running
 - very good data quality
- Construction of SiPM-on-tile part of HGCAL will demonstrate:
 - next step on the way to an ILC detector



Backup



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lda0_port1_module2

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Very first look into data



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Electrons during beam tuning in June



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Very first look into pion data





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Calibration: gain

- data: LED data taken with external trigger
- pedestal can give information on dead and noisy channels
- gain from single-pixel-spectra
 - translation of signals to pixel scale, needed for SiPM saturation corrections
 - monitoring of detector stability
- <1‰ dead channels

4000

2000



very homogenous gain, very stable operation Entries rms HG pedestal of all memcell 16000 Entries 14000 ms_individual_memcell_spectra 700 pedestal Entries 350208 600 3.954 Mean 12000 width RMS 0.3071 500 10000 May Underflow 400 Overflow 8000 Integral 3.502e+05 300 6000 RED

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RMS Pedestal [ADC]

Total Gain Distribution





Wire chambers

- > wire chambers can give more precise position information
- wire chambers read out separately, assignment to AHCAL events by time
 - encountered some unexpected effects, solved
- > wire chamber information now available in reconstruction and event display





Klaus HBU







- > dedicated HBU for KlauS readout ASIC
 - BGA packaged KLauS-5 ASIC (Uni Heidelberg)
 - new SiPM sensor with smaller pitch, Hamamatsu S14160-1315PS (smaller gain than our "standard" S13360-1325PE)
 - a few tiles have been assembled
- readout data format as close as possible to SPIROC2E to ease DAQ integration
 - stand-alone USB DAQ working, to be tested in March 2020 testbeam

New Megatile Prototype (MT 6): Light Yield Performance JGU

- MT 6 measured with cosmic ray test stand
- Excellent light yield performance for Megatile 6
 - LY (~32 p.e) in central channels in perfect agreement with 3x3 prototype
- Large difference between edge and central channels
 - Reflective foil at corner slightly broken while cutting?
 - Needs improvement



MIP Response in Cosmics Data at Channel 28



Light yield Map Megatile 6: unpolished surface and dimples, new foil on edge, LY4





Scintillator Calorimetry: Future

Technological Developments

Development of alternative scintillator geometries

•Full characterisation of mega-tiles, towards large-scale production techniques, integration into the large prototype

Development of readout electronics

•Klaus readout ASIC: construction of a full layer, integration into the large prototype

•compact readout and power interfaces, synchronised with developments for ECAL

Fundamental studies of rad-hard SiPMs

Development of advanced algorithms including Deep Leaning methods







