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Results of first test beam of calorimeter insert at JLab

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The Calorimeter Insert for ePIC

More details in: https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.05472 https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.03646



- Optimal acceptance with high-granularity to cover 3<η<4 range (poor tracking)
 - To improve acceptance for jets and inclusive DIS reco via event transversemomentum
 - Tag beam-induced backgrounds with topology
 - To ensure SiPMs and scintillator remain easily accessible for repair/maintenance & upgrades

The First Insert Prototype for JLab Test

- Characterize components, work as proof of concept
- Consists of 10 layers, each subdivided into four scintillating tile cells (40 channels)
- Effectively 11.4 radiation lengths long
- Cross sectional area of 2x2 Moliere radii



The First Insert Prototype for JLab Test

- Uses 3x3 mm Hamamatsu 14160
 SiPMs
- SiPMs are biased and read out by a CAEN digitizer unit
- Scintillator tiles are made with recycled material and polished by hand





Hall D Beam Characteristics

- The prototype was situated in front of the Hall D pair spectrometer, off the beamline
- It received ~4 GeV positrons at a variable luminosity (maximum of ~3 kHz)
- Data collection and bias control was operated remotely from Riverside



DAQ Setup







A5253 - 3-pin header adapter for FERS-5200 (optional)

Data Acquisition Procedure





LG Ch 00

µ=73 Chs,

 $\sigma = 7 \text{ Chs}$

ADC Units

Counts

5000

2500

Apply pedestal cuts to all data going forward Record cosmic rays to determine how to convert between ADC Channels and MIPs



Record beam data, sum the total energy per event, and the layer-by-layer breakdown





Cosmic Ray Runs



Cosmic runs were performed before it was installed in Hall D

MIP Calibration

- Cosmic rays were used to calibrate each individual channel, which are used to convert arbitrary ADC units to MIPs.
- We observed large cell-to-cell variations, which we seek to improve in later iterations
- Variations are likely due to polishing of old recycled scintillator





- We generally see only the top two rows show beam-like events
- Our detector was likely positioned slightly low relative to the beamline
- In future iterations we will add hodoscope layers before the first absorber plate

Channel Energy



Simulation

- Using DD4HEP, we simulated the prototype replicating test conditions
- Included:
 - MIP scale from simulated muons
 - Two dead channels
 - Mimicked horizontal beam spread
 - Shifted the detector down 2 cm
 - 0.3 MIP hit energy cut
- Did not yet include:
 - Small hexagonal cells in layers 4-9
 - Nonuniform cell response



Layer Energy



Strong agreement for layers 0-3, where the square cells are accurately modeled



- Error bars represent standard deviation
- Hex cells record consistently lower energy than simulations
- The hex cells have an area
 0.59 times that of a square
 cell, so will inconsistently miss
 energy from showers

Total Energy



there is room for improvement...



The Next Iteration







Future Tests

This first test beam for the HCAL Insert prototype gave our group good experience, confidence in our simulation framework, and insight into improvements for future test beams





- We plan to return to JLab later this year with a larger 128 channel prototype, with a hodoscope attached
- > We will perform SiPM irradiation tests at the 88" cyclotron this year

Fermilab

> We will test alongside UCLA's W/SciFi ECAL this year



Will run a prototype with several hundred channels parasitically on the East side of STAR close to the beampipe during the 200 GeV pp run in 2024

Summary

- First calorimeter insert test beam was successfully finished in Jan 2023
- Insights into design, construction, and operation of SiPM-on-tile calorimeter for ePIC
- Paving the way for future tests at JLab, LBNL, FNAL and BNL



Backup Slides

- Relatively poor measured electron resolution when compared with a recent UCLA Pb/Sc calorimeter test beam
- Very good potential for energy resolution when including expected improvements
- The main discrepancy seems to originate from dead space between cells





 Removing dead space will likely be the largest contributor to a better energy resolution

