



ePIC Alignment and Calibration: Calorimeter Use Case

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Backward ECal in ePIC

Nb Crystals

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~3000 PWO crystals

- SiPM readout
- Cooling
- LED monitoring

High resolution in the forward region (endcap) can only be achieved with homogeneous materials, such as crystals



- Energy resolution: $2\%/\sqrt{E} + (1-3)\%$
- Pion suppression: 1:10⁴
- Minimum detection energy: > 50 MeV

Technology choice: PWO crystals (2x2 cm²) with high density SiPM (16 3x3 mm² or 4 6x6 mm² per crystal)



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Will use physics processes/particles to best determine

calibration coefficients their evolution with time

- Single electrons:
 - Relies on tracker (calibration, accuracy...)
 - May not be possible for all crystals
- > Neutral pion decays: $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$
 - Very clear signal no need of other detectors
 - Invariant mass of π^0 used for calibration, but non-linear procedure (2 clusters per event)
- > MIPs
- Wide signal distribution
- Relies on simulation (or independent measurement) for absolute calibration

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- Methods successfully used with EMCals at JLab
- Based on NIM A566 (2006) 366

Basic principle:

optimize calibration coefficient to constrain the π^0 invariant mass position and minimize its width





Backward ECal calibration with π^0 s

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SIDIS simulation at 18x275 GeV





Analysis by Axel Perez Ruiz (IJCLab)

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Calibration with π^0 s: time required

Number of hours needed for 1000 events/crystal

SIDIS simulation





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5x41 GeV

Analysis by Axel Perez Ruiz (IJCLab)

1-2 days of data should be sufficient



ALLEN4EIC proposal







ALLEN4EIC: A Real-Time Data Processing Framework for the ePIC Detector

Letter of Intent to the Hadron Physics call in Horizon Europe

> Vladimir Gligorov, LPNHE Carlos Muñoz Camacho, IJCLab

> > Nantes, Jul 1-2 (2025)



- Developed for GPU-based high-level triggering at LHCb.
- Processes 30 million events/sec using commodity GPUs.
- Cross-platform (x86, CUDA, ARM); Python + C++/CUDA.
- Includes monitoring, high energy-efficiency.

Allen replaces hardware triggers using GPUs and high-performance software. It's portable, open-source, and energy-efficient. Perfect candidate for EIC-style real-time computing.





Adapting Allen for the ePIC Detector

- At ePIC: Allen shifts from trigger filter to real-time reconstruction tool.
- First use: calibration for the backward EM calorimeter.
- Will support ePIC data model, geometry, streaming architecture.
- Built on AllenCore (modular version, expected Q1 2026).



At ePIC, Allen will operate downstream, not just filtering but reconstructing and calibrating in real time, a new mode of use, but one Allen is well-suited for.



- IJCLab ePIC adaptation & calorimetry
- LPNHE & CPPM Allen developers (LHCb)
- INFN Genova Streaming readout expertise
- CERN AllenCore support
- Jefferson Lab Integration and test at EIC

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Work Plan Highlights





Backup









5x5 PWO prototype with 16 SiPMs per crystal

- > 25 PWO crystals from CRYTUR
- SiPM readout
- Cooling and temp control



SiPMs: Hamamatsu S14160-3015PS (3x3 mm²; 15µm pixel size)

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