Scintillator-based Hadron Calorimetry for the ILC/SiD

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Why (not) scintillators?

- Tested and true, well understood & optimized,
- New developments in cell fabrication & photodetection help meet ILC/PFA demands
 - Fine segmentation at a reasonable cost
 - Photodetection and digitization inside detector
 ⇒min. signal loss/distortion, superior hermeticity
- Can operate in both analog and digital modes
 - Measures energy, unlike RPC & GEM that only offer hit-counting ("tracking" or "imaging" calorimetry)
 - Remains a viable option if digital PFA fails to deliver.

Design Considerations: PFA

- Need $\lesssim 10 \text{ cm}^2$ lateral segmentation.
- At least ~35 layers and ~4 λ must fit in ~1 m along R.
 - Min. R_{in} driven by tracker performance.
 - Max. R_{out} limited by magnet and material costs.
 - Min. absorber fraction limited by the need for shower containment.
- \Rightarrow 2 cm thick absorber layers if SS (less if W).
- \Rightarrow 0.6-0.8 cm sensitive layers must respond to MIPs with good efficiency and low noise.

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Design Considerations: PFA

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- Good lateral containment of showers is important for minimizing the confusion term.
- W absorber in ECal $\Rightarrow e/\pi$ compensation is not built in \Rightarrow must be achieved in software \Rightarrow particle id (inside calorimeter by shower shape?) may be important.

Design Considerations: Others

- The technology must be
 - Reliable,
 - Mechanically sound,
 - Operable inside strong (~4.5T) magnetic field,
 - Capable of 15+ years of running,
 - Tolerant to ~5 σ fluctuations in T, P, humidity, purity of gas (if any). Monitoring will be necessary if response depends strongly on any of these,
 - Suited for mass-production and assembly of millions of cells in ~40 layers, (cont'd...)

Design Considerations: Others

- The technology must be (...cont'd)
 - Allow hermetic construction (minimum cracks/gaps)
 - Safe (HV, gas, ...),
 - Compatible with other subsystems (MDI?),
 - Amenable to periodic calibration,
 - Able to handle the rates (deadtime < 0.1 s?)
 - Cost-effective (including construction, electronics, operation).

Hardware tests

Cells made of cast (Bicron) and extruded scintillators (NICADD/FNAL) have been extensively tested with many variations of

- Shape (hexagonal, square),
- Size, thickness
- Surface treatment (polishing, coating),
- Fibers (manufacturer, diameter, end-treatment)
- Grooves (o-shaped, straight)
- Photodetectors (PMT, APD, SiPM, MRS)

Hardware tests

Different cell and groove shapes with extruded and cast scintillators



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Hardware Prototypes (DESY "MiniCal")

- DESY 6 GeV e beam 2003-2004
- 108 scintillator tiles (5x5cm)
- •Readout with Silicon PMs on tile, APDs or PMTs via fibres



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DESY "MiniCal" Test Beam results

- Resolution as good as with PM or APD*
- Non-linearity can be corrected (at tile level)
 - Does not deteriorate resolution
 - Need to observe single photon signals for calibration
- Well understood in MC
- Stability not yet challenged



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Choosing the Optimum Threshold



0.25 MIP threshold: efficient, quiet

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Miscellaneous Measurements

Response ratios between types, glues, fibers,...

- Scintillator type: extruded/cast ≈ 0.7
- Optical glue: EJ500/BC600 \approx 1.0
- Fiber: Y11/BCF92 \approx 3.2
 - Y11 = 1 mm round Kuraray,
 - BCF92 = 0.8 mm square Bicron

Extruded/cast (cost) ≈ 0.05

Optimum parameters

- Shape: Hexagonal or Square
- Thickness: 5 mm
- Lateral area: 4 9 cm²
- Groove: straight
- Fiber: Kuraray 1 mm round (or similar)
- Fiber glued, surface painted
- Scintillator type: Extruded

Based on what we have learnt so far

But a bigger question is the photodetector: PMTs are costly, bulky, won't operate in B field. We have been investigating APDs, MRS, Si-PM...

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The Metal/Resistor/ Semiconductor Photodiode (MRS)

- From the Center of Perspective Technologies & Apparatus (CPTA),
- Multi-pixel APDs with every pixel operating in the limited Geiger multiplication mode & sensitive to single photon,
- 1000+ pixels on 1 mm x 1 mm sensor,
- Avalanche quenching achieved by resistive layer on sensor,
- Detective QE of up to 25% at 500 nm,
- Good linearity (within 5% up to 2200 photons)
- Immune to magnetic field,
- Radiation-tolerant.

Study of MRS/SiPM

- Determination of Working point:
 - bias voltage,
 - threshold,
 - temperature
- Linearity of response
- Stress tests: magnetic field, exposure to radiation.
- Tests with scintillator using cosmic rays and radioactive source.

Metal Resistive Semiconductors (MRS)



Poduced by the Center of Perspective Technologies & Apparatus (CPTA)

Typical pulseheight spectrum

LED signal



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SiPM Summary

- We have conducted a set of measurements to illustrate the potential use of Si photodetectors in High Energy Collider experiments in general, and for hadron calorimetry at the ILC in particular.
- Good MIP sensitivity, strong signal (gain ~O(10⁶)),
- + Fast: Rise time \approx 8 ns, Fall time < 50 ns, FWHM \approx 12 ns (w/ amp)
- Very compact, simple operation (HV, T, B,...),
- Each sensor requires determination of optimal working point,
- Noise is dominated by single photoelectron: a threshold to reject
 1 PE reduces the noise by a factor of ~2500,
- The devices operate satisfactorily at room temperature (~22 °C).
 Cooling reduces noise and improves gain,
- Not affected by magnetic field (tested in up to 4.4 T + quench),
- No deterioration of performance from 1 Mrad of γ irradiation.

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SiPM prospects on the horizon

- Bigger SiPMs are under development
 - 3mm x 3mm made, but require cooling to -40 C
 - 5mm x 5mm thought possible
 - cost increase: insignificant (CPTA), linear (H'matsu)?
- 5mm x 5mm may help us eliminate fibers
 - put the SiPM directly on the cells
 - wavelength matching by n-on-p (sensitive to blue scint. light) or WLS film
 - hugely simplifies assembly
- Better uniformity across sample with purer Si.



π^+ energy resolution as function of energy for different (linear) cell sizes



Compensation

- Cell counting has its own version of the compensation problem (in scintillators).
- With multiple thresholds this can be overcome by weighting cells differently (according to the thresholds they passed).
- In MC, 3 thresholds seem to be adequate.

π^+ energy resolution vs. energy



Two-bit ("semi-digital") rendition offers better resolution than analog

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Nhit vs. fraction of π^+ E in cells with E>10 MIP: Gas vs. scintillator



2-bit readout affords significant resolution improvement over 1-bit for scintillator, but not for gas

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π^+ energy resolution vs. energy

Multiple thresholds not used



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Non-linearity

- Nhit/GeV varies with energy.
- This will introduce additional pressure on the "constant" term.
- For scintillator, the non-linearity can be effectively removed by "semi-digital" treatment.

π^{\pm} angular width: density weighted



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Simulation Summary

- Large parameter space in the nbit– segmentation–medium plane for hadron calorimetry. Optimization through cost– benefit analysis?
- Scintillator and Gas-based 'digital' HCals behave differently.
- Need to simulate detector effects (noise, x-talk, non-linearities, etc.)
- Need verification in test-beam data.
- More studies underway.

TB: Scint HCal layer assembly



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Summary

- Simulations indicate (semi-) digital approach to be competitive with analog calorimetry
- Prototypes indicate scintillator offers sufficient sensitivity (light x efficiency) & uniformity.
- Now optimizing materials & construction to minimize cost with required sensitivity.
- SiPM and MRS photodetectors look very promising.
- Preparations for Test Beam (Analog tile HCal and Strip tail-catcher/muon tracker) are in full swing.

All-in-all scint looks like a competitive option. We are moving toward the next prototype.

Thank you!

For further details, see talks given by DC at

- The LC study group mtg on 26 May '05,
- The Beaune Photodetection Conference, 19–24 June '05.

Links at

http://www.fnal.gov/~dhiman/talks.html

Backup slides

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Working point determination with LED



- The MRS is to able to separate single photoelectrons
- Different response under identical setup

⇒ working point must be determined for each channel individually

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Cosmic MIP detection with SiPM



Comparable to PMT

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Noise Rate vs. Bias Voltage & Threshold



- The right end of the plateau region in the Figure on left is optimal for our purpose.
- For thresholds in the range of 80 ± 10 mV and bias voltage in 50.0 ± 0.5 V, the dark noise is well under control.

Signal & Noise Amplitudes vs. Bias Voltage



- For this particular device S/N peaks at $V_{bias} \approx 52$ V
- Sharp peaking in $S/N \Rightarrow$ working point must be found for each piece.

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Temperature Dependence



- Bias = 51.3 mV, threshold = 80 mV
- Loss in signal amplitude with increase in T \approx 3.5%/ $^{\circ}C$

Fiber Positioning on MRS







Optimal fiber-sensor mating is crucial.

Linearity of Response

Since the response of an individual pixel is not proportional to n_{γ} , (unless it has had time in between to recover), non-linearity is expected when the detector receives a large number of photons.



Stress Tests: Effect of Mag. field

No significant effect of fields up to 4.4 T and quenching at 4.5T:



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Stress Tests: Effect of Irradiation

• No detectable damage from 1 Mrad of γ:



Hit timing



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Time of flight

Scintillator



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Time-of-flight dependence of resolution



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Avalanche Photo-Diodes

Hamamatsu APD gain vs V @ diff wavelengths (T = 18 °C)



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