Study of hadronic showers with the fastRPC analog readout

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Introduction: Linear Collider design concepts

- A lepton collider allows for precision measurements (clean events, well defined initial state)
 - in the TeV range to complement LHC
 - linear to prevent synchrotron radiation energy losses
- Two machine concepts:
 - ILC: superconductive accelerator technology ready to build
 - CLIC: two-beam accelerator for higher energies still in development



Introduction: Physics at e+/e- LC

- Precision measurement of the recently discovered (Higgs)
 boson
 - Model-independent measurements of coupling to fermions and bosons
 - Complete study of the Higgs sector



- Precision measurement of standard model particles
 - Top quark properties (mass, width, asymmetries)
 - Gauge bosons, coupling constants
- Direct and indirect search for possible BSM physics at TeV scale
 - particular strength in the weak sector, complementary to LHC

Introduction: Detectors

- We need beyond state-of-the-art detector systems, including more sensitive calorimeters
- Event reconstruction based on
 Particle Flow algorithms
 High granularity in the calorimeter
- Precise timestamping of all the subdetectors

 Use of tungsten as absorber for the hadron calorimeter of a Solenoid Magn multi-TeV collider to fit in the magnet barrel



Detectors - Particle Flow Algorithms



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Track finder algorithm reconstruct charged particles tracks

Detectors - Particle Flow Algorithms



PFA assign ECAL and HCAL hits to tracks

Detectors - Particle Flow Algorithms



PFA removes assigned hits from the list

Detectors - Particle Flow Algorithms



Remaining tracks are identified as photons or neutral hadrons

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- RPCs with semidigital readout (SDHCAL)

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Overview

Goal of the experiment: measure the time structure of an hadronic shower using a high time-resolution analog readout

Mean square physicist

Understand the relevance of the time structure for Particle Flow Algorithms and background rejection



FastRPC Layer

Input for detector simulations

Implementation - Active layer

Resistive Plate Chamber



Implementation - Active layer



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Implementation - readout

$15 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ pads}$ Infineon BGA614 preamp at at a nitration USB spill info scintillator triggers **DHCAL** synchronization

4xPicoscope 6000 (16 channels in total) 8bit - 1.25GHz - 2.4µs sampling window

The FastRPC setup: Overview

Experimental setup in place at CERN PS facility

Tail catcher with RPC readout



FastRPC

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electronics

WDHCAL

- Commissioning at PS hadrons & muons runs up to 10GeV
- Very good run with ~1.5Mio muon and ~16Mio hadron triggers
- Physics run at SPS hadrons & muons runs up to 180GeV
- ~3Mio muon and ~7Mio hadron triggers (luminosity limited by DHCAL trigger rate)

Development



Hadronic Showers: Time development



Time development



Time development



Time development



Hydrogen content in a gaseous detector is much lower than in plastic scintillators \rightarrow less sensitive to neutron elastic scattering

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Data Analysis: Calibration



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Data Analysis: Calibration Benchmark



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Data Analysis: Charge Distribution



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Data Analysis: Time of 1st Hit



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Toward the outside of the shower, the late energy deposition component fraction gets bigger and bigger Center of the shower: Dominated by instantaneous contribution from relativistic particles, including muons and punch-through pions



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3cm from center: still lot dominated by instantaneous components



6cm from center

fraction gets bigger and bigger



9cm from center

fraction gets bigger and bigger



12cm from center

late energy deposition component fraction gets bigger and bigger



15cm from center



21cm from center

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27cm from center

We can tune the radial extension of the shower by the choice of the time window → offers interesting possibilities for particle flow optimization and shower separation

Data Analysis: Radial Distribution - Mean ToFH



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Conclusions

- Lepton colliders are a key tool to explore the Higgs sector and physics at the TeV scale
- Development of the FastRPC detector to study the time structure of hadronic showers in a tungsten HCAL
- Commissioning and data taking campaign at CERN PS and SPS facility for almost 5 weeks of beam time
- Data Analysis RPC are:
 - sensitive to late components of the showers, 3 time components from different underlying processes in the shower
 - comparison with plastic scintillators shows suppression of intermediate components from neutron elastic scattering on H nuclei

 This work has been internally peer reviewed by the CALICE collaboration and is now available as a Calice Analysis Note (CAN-043) at: https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/pub/CALICE/CaliceAnalysisNotes/ CAN-043.pdf

Outlook

- Full event synchronization with the DHCAL
- Comparison with MC data

Backup

Backup: Physics processes LC



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Backup:

Streamers



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Backup: pedestal subtracted comparison

