



US-FCC Calorimetry

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Calorimetry L2/L3 coordination

Community email list (us-hfcc-calorimetry@cern.ch)



Level 2 coordinators: Michael Begel, Bob Hirosky

Level 3 technology areas:

- Dual Readout: Grace Cummings
- Noble Liquid: Erich Varnes
- Si-W: Jim Brau
- Tile-Scint: Vishnu Zutshi

US FCC Calo - Recent talks given / planned

Given:

- **CPAD** October 2025, **DR** (Bob)
- **CPAD** October 2025, **DR** (Y. Feng)
- **CPAD** October 2025, **DR** (W. Jin)
- **CPAD** October 2025, **DR** (J. Wilson)
- **Lepton-Photon** August 2025, **DR, LAr, SiW** (Grace)
- **Argonne Physics (Nuclear) Division Seminar**, October 2025, **DR** (Grace)
- **Fermilab Wine & Cheese Seminar**, October 2025, **DR** (Grace)
- **Northwestern HEP Seminar**, November 2025, **DR** (Grace)
- **UIUC HEP Seminar**, November 2025, **DR** (Grace)
- **Yale NPA Seminar**, November 2025, **DR** (Grace)
- **Argonne HEP Seminar**, January 2026, **DR** (Grace)
- **Tufts Colloquium**, January 2026, **DR** (Grace)
- **Ohio State University Colloquium**, February 2026, **DR** (Grace)
- **MIT NUPAX Seminar**, February 2026, **DR** (Grace)
- **APS Global Physics Summit, Invited talk**, March 2026, **DR** (Grace)
- **APS Global Physics Summit**, March 2026, **DR** (Walker H.)
- **APS Global Physics Summit**, March 2026, **LAr** (Erich.)
- **APS Global Physics Summit**, March 2026, **SiW** (JBrau)

Apologies for any missed talks from USF CCC also community Not counting overview talk on FCC, Full Detector concepts

Currently planning talks for:

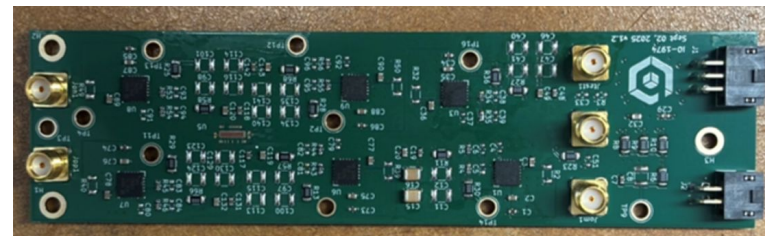
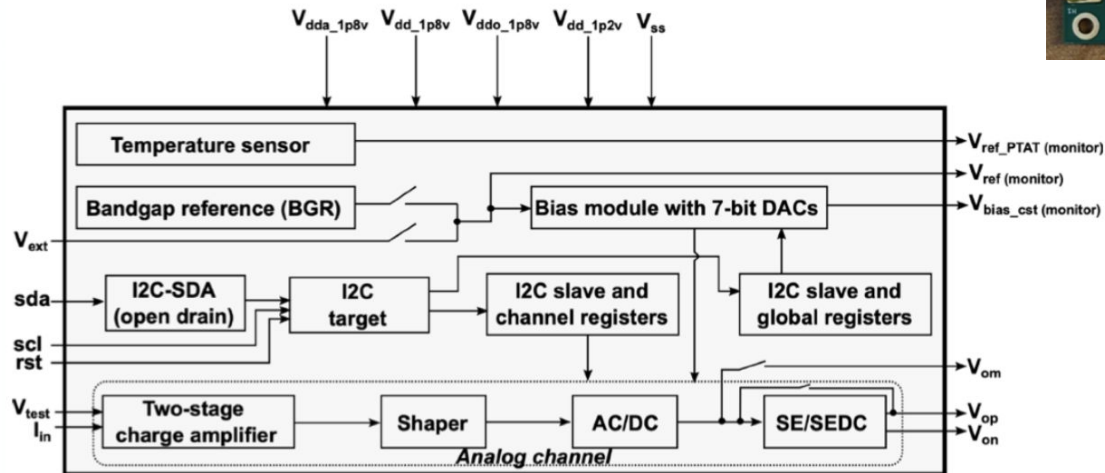
- **May 2026: CALOR Workshop**
- **June 2026: FCC Workshop**

Noble Liquid Updates and Plans

Recent NL Accomplishments

- BNL (funded via LDRD, not HFCC)
- Cold electronics (amplifier/shaper) [\[talk\]](#)

CHARMS250V1 prototype block diagram



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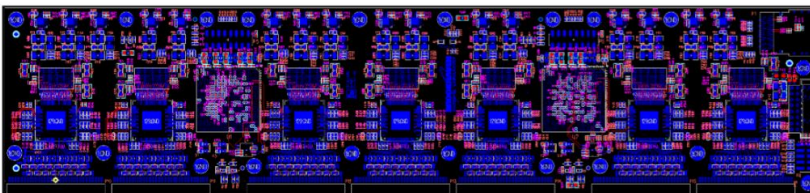
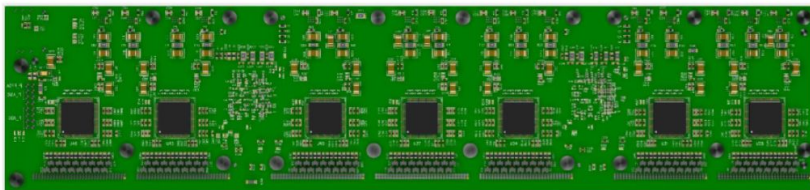
Recent NL Accomplishments



BNL (funded via LDRD, not HFCC)
– Front-end board [\[talk\]](#)

CFEB Layout

- PCB design
 - 22 Layers
 - 12 signal layers 10 power planes
 - Board Dimensions
 - 350mm x 80mm x 2.5mm
- Board Status
 - Currently out for fabrication
 - Expected by 05/28/2026

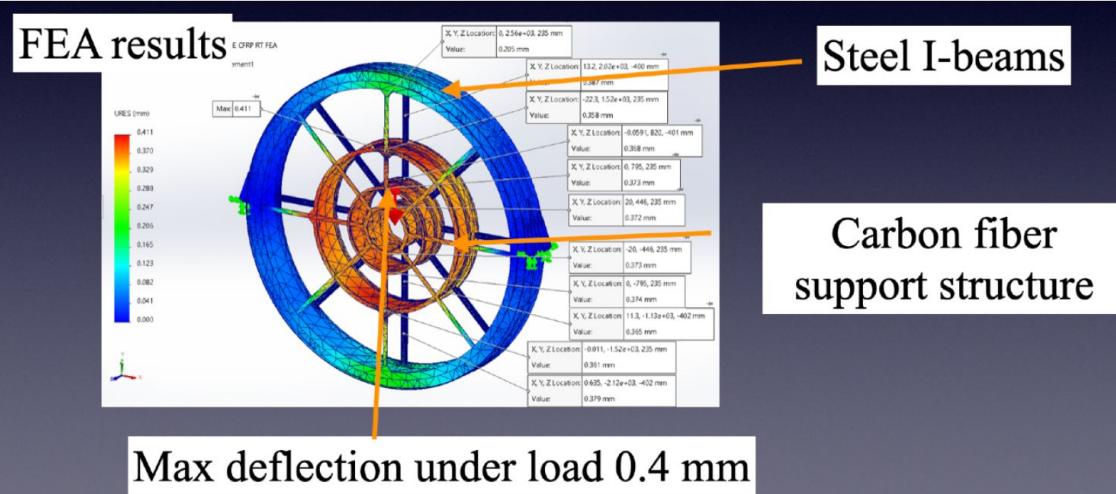


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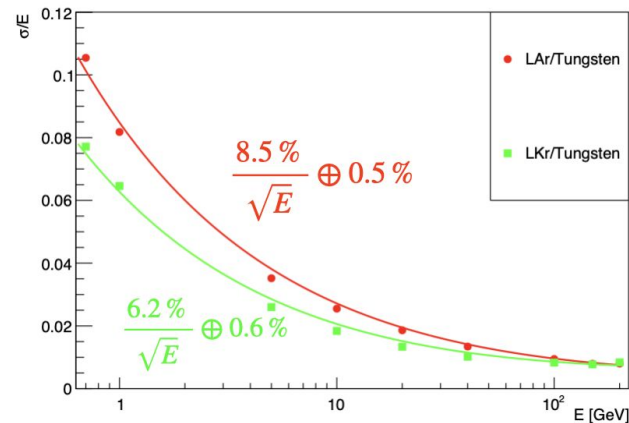
– Mechanical design of endcap ECal

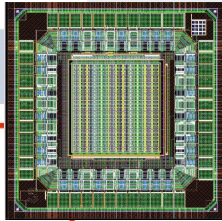


– Prototype readout board:



– Geant4 simulations





Si-W Calorimetry

PROPOSED ACTIVITY

- ❖ Digital ECal based on Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (MAPS)
 - ❖ Jim Brau (Oregon)
 - ❖ Caterina Vernieri (SLAC)
- ❖ Reimagining Si-W based e+e- collider precision luminosity measurements
 - ❖ Graham Wilson (Kansas)

Reimagining Si-W based e+e- collider precision luminosity measurements

Working on a **new approach** to the design of the **luminosity calorimetry** for future e+e- colliders. Emphasis on simulation and design studies.

The detector technology is likely to be **Si-W**.

Exploring an analog approach and plan to look at digital.

Simulations achieve 3.7%/sqrt(E) using **thick silicon layers (750 um) with high sampling frequency**, and expect significantly better than 100 um resolution in radius and r dphi for modest cell sizes (the much better sampling also improves position resolution - it is not all about Moliere radius).

This started from the premise of trying to evaluate how feasible it is to extend the acceptance for the e+e- -> gamma gamma process into the LumiCal acceptance, where one will need excellent Bhabha rejection.

The ultra-high granularity opens up new directions in shower reconstruction but also in being able to resolve individual showers that will aid in a more exclusive measurement that can probe the details of the process modeling (for both Bhabhas and gamma gamma).

Resource request:

- o Some travel support.
- o Some GS support (even just summer).
- o Some M&S funds for detector components for effective positron lifetime measurements.

Digital ECal based on MAPS

Builds on and complements the sensor development for tracking

- Sensor needs to first satisfy the requirement for Higgs factory tracking, then adaptation for calorimetry will be implemented
- Prototyping steps achieved in collaboration w/ CERN (@SLAC) along with detailed Higgs factory shower reconstruction simulation studies

Design and prototyping needed to optimize Higgs factory performance

- power consumption (10 mW/cm² / lower?)
- cooling design/power dissipation
- potential for multiple thresholds
- bit depth requirement for calorimetry
- stitching to make 2000 m² feasible
- basic mechanical design
- absorber with minimized sampling gaps
 - maintain Moliere radius
- passive cooling / power pulsing

Simulation studies demonstrate needed Higgs factory performance

- for electromagnetic shower resolution
- for shower containment
- for separation of showers within jets
- for particle flow reconstruction

Simulations continue optimization

- sampling frequency
- pixel sizes
- other choices

Common interests/coordination with DRD6 collaborators

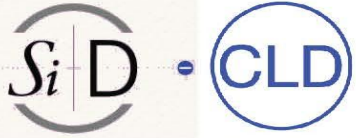
- Utrecht University (T. Peitzmann)
- University of Birmingham (N. Watson)
- others (FOCAL for ALICE)

Other collaborators interested:

- Brown(Gouskos), Stony Brook(Dao, Piacquadio)

SUPPORT NEEDED URGENTLY

- Partial grad student research assistant
- Travel to collaborative meetings and workshops



EM CALORIMETER PERFORMANCE

Shower energy & transverse position measurement

EM ENERGY RESOLUTION

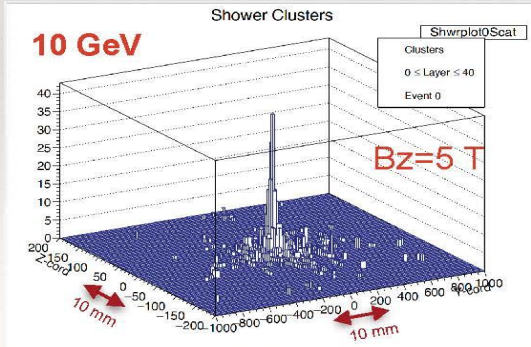
single bit digital

HITS $16.4\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 2.0\%$

CLUSTERS $12.2\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 1.4\%$

IDEAL - MIPS $8.8\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.2\%$

EM resolution goal set by particle flow.
SiD ECal = 27 X_0 (20 thin +10 thick layers)



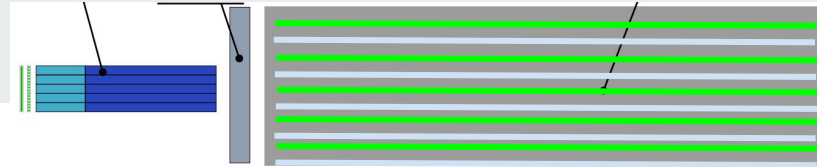
MAPS for tracking and calorimetry for e+e- colliders

E _γ (GeV)	Shower spread (mm-rms)		Shower position measurement (mm)					
	Y	Z	all clusters		within 4 mm & 1st 20 Layers		within 3 mm & 1st 15 Layers	
	Y	Z	δY	δZ	δY	δZ	δY	δZ
1	4.7	4.2	1.19	1.06	0.41	0.40	0.33	0.33
10	4.8	4.3	0.43	0.37	0.14	0.14	0.12	0.11
50	5.1	4.6	0.21	0.19	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06

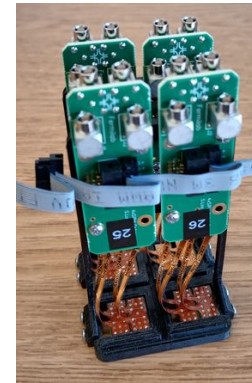
- ❖ This precision can be improved:
 - ❖ - naive, simple selections.
- ❖ Important for jet particle flow measurements

DR Calo Updates and Plans

EM Matrix status



- **Preparing for EM-shower matrix testing starting end of August**
- **Still waiting on remaining crystals.**
 - **If the Chinese government doesn't release remaining xtals in ~30 days, we will proceed w/ 80% of rear matrix to study S/C collection and MC-corrected resolution studies.**
 - **Planning for additional studies in 2027 in any case.**
- **Electronics produced for rear matrix (FNAL)**
- **Readout interface designed for front, producing now (FNAL)**

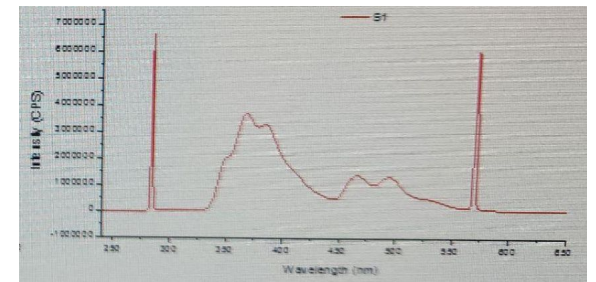
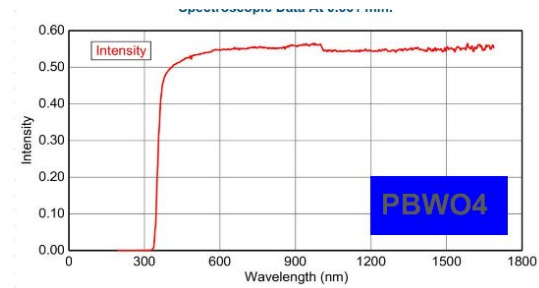
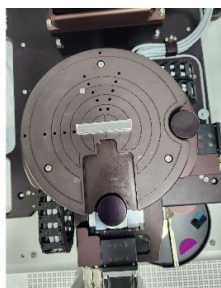
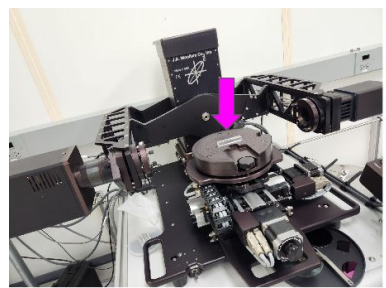
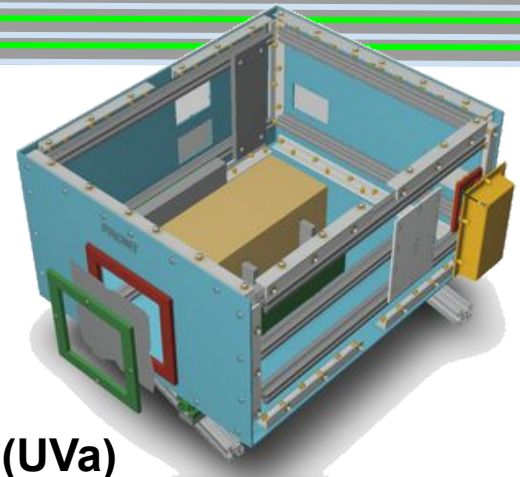


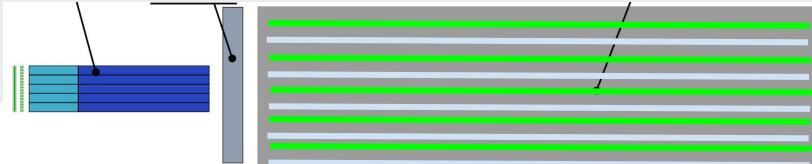
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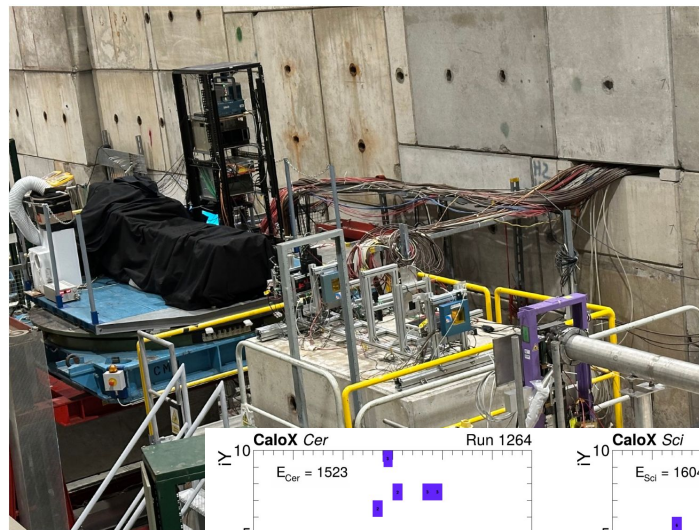
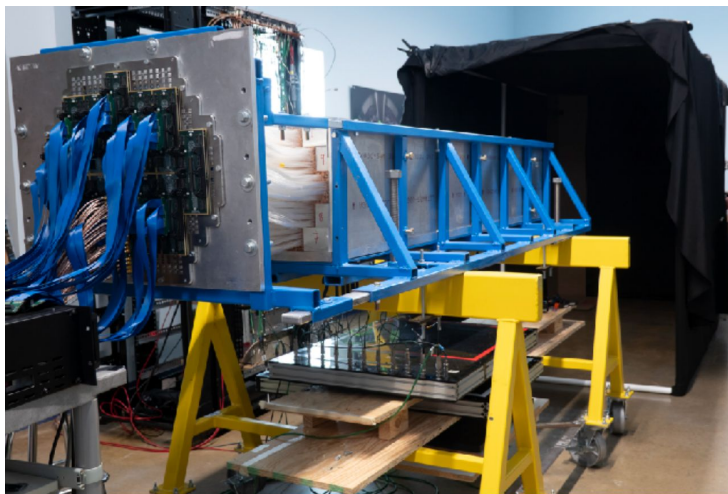
- **Matrix mechanics and assembly understood (UvA, Purdue, FNAL)**
 - Start assembly by the end of the month (UvA)
 - Improved optical matching scheme
- **New testbeam dark box designed, production in progress (UvA)**
- **New DAQ based on EUDAQ being developed (UMI)**
 - Commissioning by team effort (UvA, UMD, UMI, FNAL)
- **New crystal test facilities (UMD, CUA)**



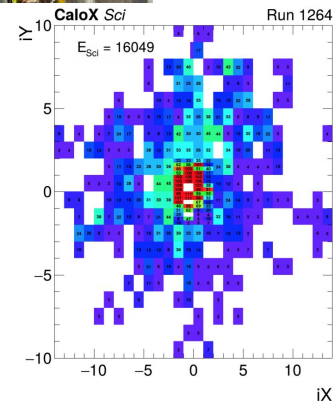
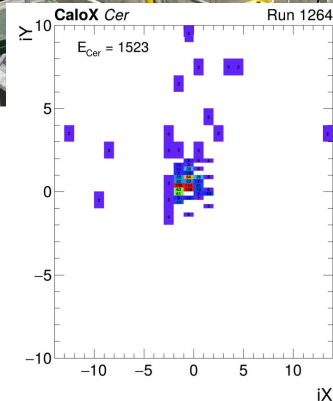


HG-DREAM → fiber sampling DR

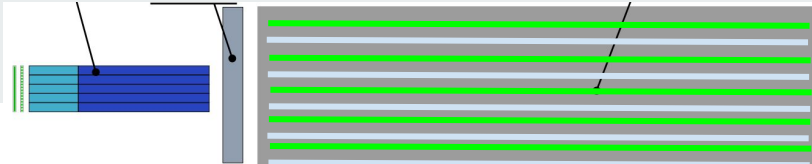
- high-granularity, precision timing with fast SiPMs, , integration of NNs, and exploration of new fibers/materials
- Two test beams at CERN last year
- First time with refurbished DREAM module



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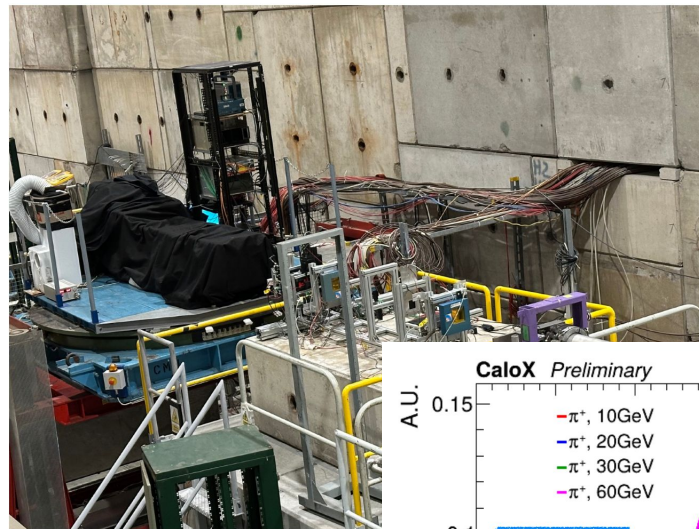
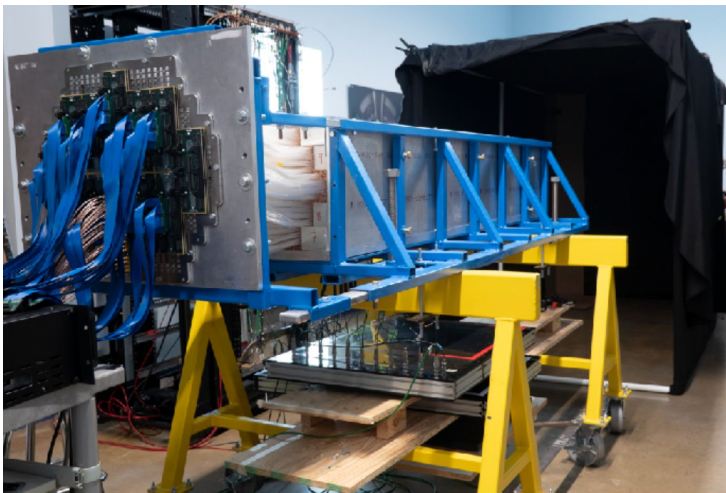
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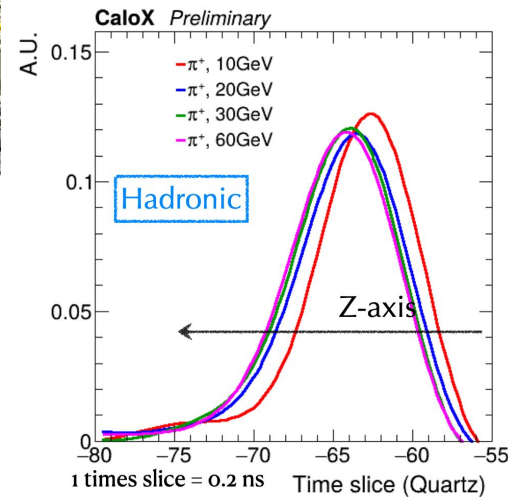


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 Y. Feng, CPAD 2022

Shower profiling w/
timing!



DR test beams for 2026



- **EM Matrix (late August/Early September)**
 - **CERN PS T10**
 - **DESY**
- **Fiber Calo**
 - **????**

**Opportunities for continued testing in 2027@ DESY, potentially SLAC
(SLAC offers interesting opportunities for precision timing studies)**

World test beam schedule

<https://cernbox.cern.ch/external-ms365/public/wQdagv1LRXedAgW/InternationalTBplan-worldwide.xlsx>

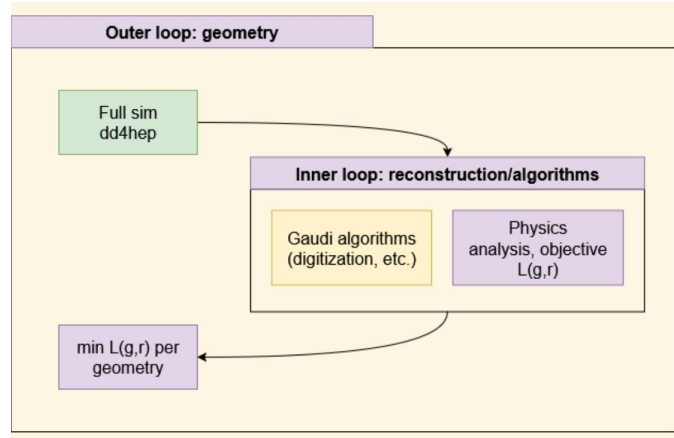
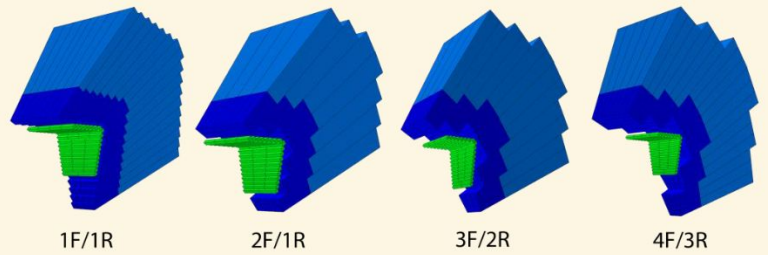
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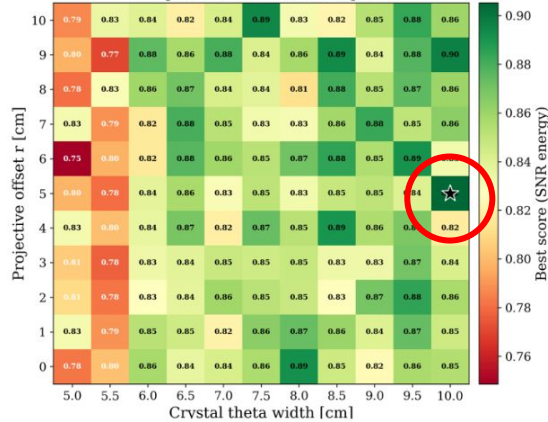
Wonyong Chung (crosscutting w/ computing/AIM)

Bilevel Detector Optimization Pipeline (talk)

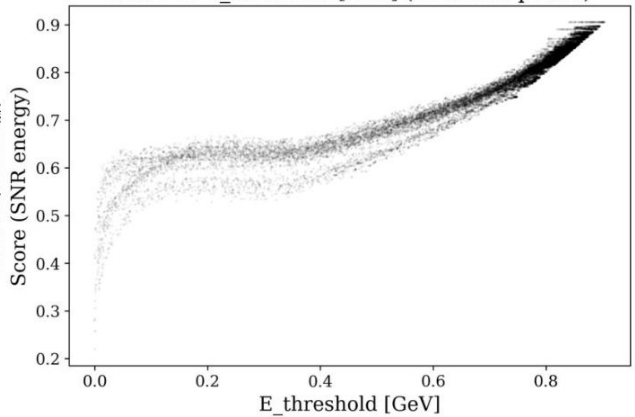
Different Front/Rear Crystal Tower Divisions



Optimized score landscape



Score vs E_threshold [GeV] (all tested points)



Complete framework to automate detector optimization studies:

- Paramaterized geometry management
- Full detector sim
- Physics analysis and scoring
- Parameter variation+optimization

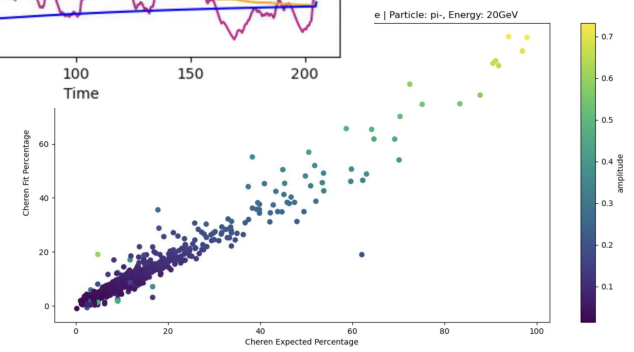
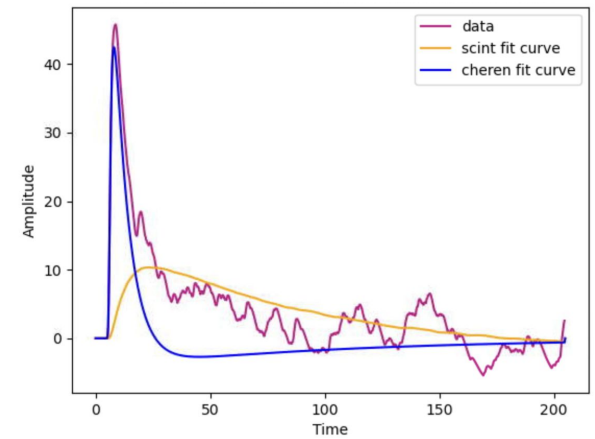
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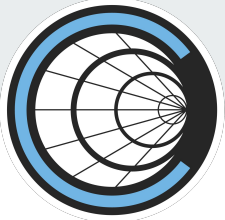
Module-level simulations (UMD, Baylor, UVa, Stonybrook, Rutgers, ...)



Much progress in high fidelity optical simulations since BNL Hackathon last summer

- DD4HEP, Key4hep, Gaudi...
- Geometry improvements
- Analog waveforms
- Sim-Sipm library plugin
- ...
- Multiple studies in progress



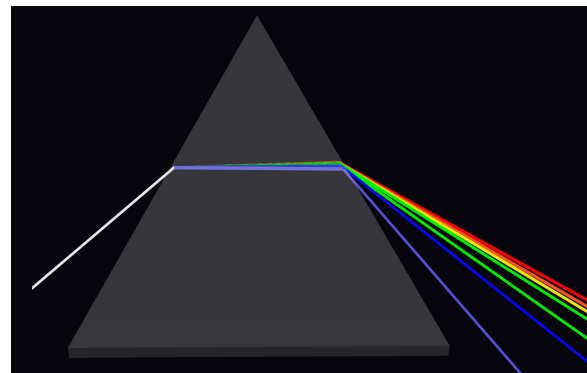


Celeritas: GPU-Accelerated Monte-Carlo Detector Simulation

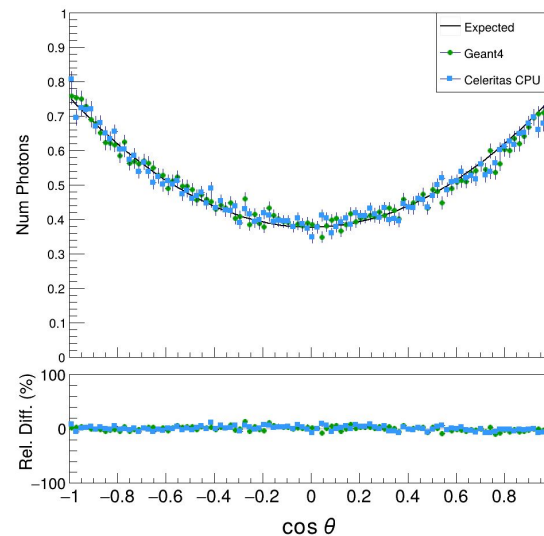
- Geant4 integration support (geometry, physics data, etc)
- Separate optimized optical processing
- Efficient generation of photons from physical processes (Cherenkov, scintillation) or direct offloading
- Bulk and surface physics supported (including wavelength shifting)
- Adaptable framework for custom physics models

Currently working on integrations with different experimental frameworks. Strong interest from DUNE. We will push for FCC/DD4HEP integration as well.

Ongoing physics validation - validating directly against Geant4!



Rayleigh $\cos \theta$



FY27 Requests

We will finalize requests by the next meeting

The general convergence is:

- Test beam studies following up on initial commissioning and testing from 2026 by DR groups [TTU, FNAL, UMI, UMD, Baylor,...]
 - Precision timing, jet structure PID, resolutions, signal studies
 - Full simulation studies [Princeton, new groups,...]
- Engineering design for LAr [BNL, Arizona, ...]
 - thermal simulation and cooling interface
 - EE/Mech design work leading to prototype turbine calo
- Simulation for Si-W performance and sensor design requirements [UO, SLAC,...]