FoCal: Forward Calorimeter for ALICE

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"Peace-Washing" - the truth...



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Which of the following services have you heard of? (Please select all that apply)



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The Forward Calorimeter (FoCal):



3.4 < η < **5.8**

FoCal-E: high-granularity Si-W sampling calorimeter for photons and π⁰
FoCal-H: absorber-scintillator sampling calorimeter for photon isolation and jets

FoCal physics



- 1. Quantify nuclear modification of the gluon density at small-x
 - · Isolated photons in pp and pPb collisions
- 2. Explore non-linear QCD evolution
 - Azimuthal $\pi^{0-}\pi^{0}$ and isolated photon- π^{0} (or jet) correlations in pp and pPb collisions
- 3. Investigate the origin of long range flow-like correlations
 - Azimuthal π⁰-h correlations using FoCal and central ALICE (and muon arm?) in pp and pPb collisions
- 4. Explore jet quenching at forward rapidity
 - Measure high pT neutral pion production in PbPb

Explore the small-x structure of nucleons inside nuclei down to Bjorken-x of ~10⁻⁶



What is the correct description of gluon saturation?

FoCal Timeline

	19	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
	Q4	01 02 03 0	01 02 03 04	01 02 03 04	01 02 03 04	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1Q2Q3 Q4	Q1Q2Q3Q4			
LHC		LS2		Run-3	3			LS3			Run-4
Lol											
R&D											
Test beams (SPS, DESY, KEK)											
TDR											
US Project approval											
Final design											
Production, construction, test of module											
Pre-assembly, calibration with test beam (KEK)											
Installation and commissioning											
Contingency											
Global commissioning and physics data taking											

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Rapidity coverage and π^0 efficiency position z = 7mz = 700 cm y (cm) beam pipe radius 3.5cm

8x8cm square around beam: maximum rapidity 5.5-5.8

2-gamma distance gets small beyond η =5.5: \rightarrow sharp drop at Rmin plus effect

of circle vs square

Very good π^0 efficiency up to $\eta = 5.5$ (falls off above pT = 10 GeVdue to 2-gamma distance)



6.5

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η__

Single π^0 efficiency vs pT

Single π^0 efficiency vs E

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Integration in ALICE

Integration into ALICE (Run-4)



- Installing FoCal implies challenging but feasible changes
- All key simulations with realistic beam-line setup in LOI
 - Impact on π^0 reconstruction only beyond $\eta > 5.3$
 - Not crucial for key physics but may be recoverable with by optimizing cluster reconstruction



FoCal-E conceptual design



Studied in simulations 20 layers: W(3.5 mm \approx 1X₀) + silicon sensors Two types: Pads (LG) and Pixels (HG)

- Pad layers provide shower profile and total energy
- Pixel layers (ALPIDE) provide position resolution to resolve overlapping showers

- Main challenge: Separate γ/π^0 at high energy
 - •Two photon separation from π^0 decay (pT=10 GeV, $\eta=4.5$) ~5mm
 - Requires small Molière radius and high granularity readout
 - Si-W calorimeter with effective granularity $\approx 1 \text{mm}^2$ Longitudinal profile (2y showers) Trans. profile



- Further optimization left for TDR:
- •Location of pixel layers
- •Number of pad layers
- Sensitive area at front for CPV/eID

FoCal-H conceptual design

- Discussion with industry and looking at "Dual Readout Calorimeter for IDEA:
 - Build calorimeter out of commercially available Cu capillary tubes with
 - scintillating fibers





Energy resolution for charged pions



- Simulation uses sandwich-structure:
 - 34 layers of 3cm absorber and 0.2cm scintillator
- Good performance for isolation and jets
 - Single hadron energy resolution of 10-25%
 - $E_T = 2 \text{ GeV}$ for isolation about E = 100 GeV at $\eta = 4.5$
 - Constant term (e/h compensation) more, sampling-fraction less important
- Conventional metal-scintillator design
 - Sampling / tower structure not yet defined
 - No longitudinal readout required

1.1 m long: ~6 λ I Tower size: 2-5 cm ~1k towers 880

Putting them together



FoCal-H development

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1st Beam Test

FoCal-H prototype 1 "proof of concept"





9,8x9,8x55cm³ 1440 tubes ≈12 hours Fiber: BCF10 OD:1mm

ON MicroFC 60035 SiPMs

48 Bundles of 30 fibers



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Available SiPM sizes:







SPS H6 Beamline EHN1 (building 887, Prevessin site), CERN

- up to ~120 GeV _

 - 4 different systems
 various different configurations tested in 13 days



Two potential problems with Capillary Tube design



- 1. Inefficiency due to voids between tubes
- 2. Particles can traverse length of scintillator ("channeling")

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- Fair to ask: why use capillary tubes?
 - Arbitrary granularity
 Low machining cost

First Results

Channeling:

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- Particles traversing along the scintillating fiber – result as peak in the total energy distribution
- . Change incident angle to reduce effect
- . Reproduced in MC





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Charge reconstruction

Number of events

Beam energy dependence follow qualitatively expected trend

Monte-Carlo studies

GEANT4 based simulation

- Geometry and materials description
- Physics list: FFTP_BERT (also QGSP_BERT checked)
- Signal: energy deposit in the plastic scintillator fibers

Electron

Scintillation, light propagation,
 SiPM response, digitization - considered
 in an effective manner

Main goals

- - precise data analysis
- - total charge studies
- - saturation estimation
- - beam decomposition

Tests for future prototype designs



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Cumulative charge

17.55

7.357

8.356

3000

Mean y Std Dev x

Std Dev y

MC – energy in fiber

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- . Electrons peak position in MC matches the DATA
- . DATA total charge distribution described by a weighted sum of simulated e, π, μ, p



Reconstructed charge [ADC counts]

45000

40000

35000

30000

25000

20000

15000

10000

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FoCal-H, 2021 Prototype

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- DATA

- MC

Prototype 2: Longer, thicker, better!



Prototype 1



FoCal-H Prototype 2





- 9 6.5x6.5x110 cm3 modules
- each module \approx 31,7 kg Cu 6.87gm/cm3
- 668 fibers/module

14 fibers/SiPM center module 21-30 fibers/SiPM outer modules

StGobain BCF12 Scintillating fiber (OD 1mm) Hamamatsu S13360-6025 SiPMs

Fill voids with Cu wire.

Plans 2022

. PS TestBeam, 8 – 16 June 2022

- Readout studies (CAEN A1702->CAEN 5502)
- Work with additional detector system
- SPS TestBeam, Autumn 2022
- - 9 modules, 3x3 construction
 - Each module 6,5 x 6,5 x 110 cm³
 - Capillary tubes, inner diameter 1.1mm, 668 * 1mm scintillating fiber
 - Shower containment
 - Energy resolution
 - Energy calibration 20-250 GeV
 - Test HGCROC SiPM readout?





Summary

- FoCal: Unique window on small-x region in LHC collisions
- R&D ongoing but nearing completion.
- FoCal-H proof of principle, now look at detailed performance
- FoCal TDR in \approx one year.