# Noble Liquid Calorimetry: Plans for R&D

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- Noble Liquid Calorimetry R&D started in context of FCC-hh CDR
  - Main design concept: straight finely segmented readout electrodes inclined around the barrel
- Further interest in context of FCC-ee (or other e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider)
  - "Simpler" conditions allow for significant design optimizations
- Still a quite recent development
  - Fairly small but active team of collaborators so far
  - Very open to new collaborators
  - And to new ideas !

## Main medium-term goals

- Develop the calo design into a full detector concept
  - Study design solutions for endcaps
  - Study general performance in simulation, in combination with some HCAL concept
- Build a first prototype and measure performance in testbeam
  - Can then be refined to test further developments / new ideas



# General design and expected performance

- Full simulation integrated in FCC software chain is a big asset
- First EM physics studies performed in 2022
  - Many more can be performed
  - Can guide LAr/LKr, granularity...
- Next major step will be addition of some HCAL in simulation, along with PFlow algorithms
  - Then can look at all physics performance metrics
- Performance in endcaps also has never been looked at
- Many opportunities for software development
  - Clever ML techniques for clustering / PID ?



### **Readout electrodes**

- Very nice progress over the past two years
- Optimize granularity based on physics simulations and measurements of noise and cross-talk
- Readout everything at the back ?
- Iterate on prototypes with manufacturing companies
- Connectors ?
- How to do the HV layer ? (also resistors etc...)
- How to do the endcaps ?



- Everything has yet to be done !
- Studies just starting, by identifying what are our requirements and learning from ATLAS
- Overall challenge: make the whole structure rigid enough, while keeping light on support structures
- Lots of room for new ideas



### Absorbers

• Basic absorber design directly inspired from ATLAS

- Can we do better ?
- Anyway, have to "re-learn" how to get them from the industry
- Simpler because no accordion bending
- New idea of trapezoidal absorbers
  - Can it be done ?
  - With what tolerances ?
  - Need iterations with industry
- Other ideas ?



- ATLAS used honeycomb with great success
  - Including variable size in the endcaps
- Can we instead 3D-print pillars to be placed regularly ?



### **Readout electronics**

- Basically, everything is yet to be done
- Warm electronics option
  - Can probably use SKYROC ASICs as a start for frontend
  - Requires work on cables inside the cryostat
- Cold electronics
  - Very appealing option
  - Needs dedicated work
  - How much can we put in the cold ? Preamp, ADC, multiplexer ? Optical conversion ?
  - Power consumption is a huge challenge
- Add dedicated timing measurement ?



# Cryostat

- Carbon fiber-based cryostats show excellent perspectives for "transparent" cryostats
  - CFRP shell + Al honeycomb sandwich
  - Optimization between  $X_0$  and mechanical properties
- Ongoing R&Ds at CERN to address CFRP / metal interfaces, and sealing methods
- Will presumably need several generations of prototypes to get everything right





NASA's lineless cryotank



#### Sealing with Belleville washers

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#### **New ideas**

#### • Add precise timing measurement

- How precise can we get with dedicated electronics ?
- What do we gain ?

#### • Measure Cerenkov in LAr/LKr for dual readout?

- Add fibers in noble liquid
- How many photons can we detect ?
- Interest about it, but sounds difficult
- Other ideas ?

# Towards a prototype

- No need to have answers to all items to go for a first prototype in testbeam
  - Cryostat: can find and use an existing one
  - (Warm) electronics: can probably design simple FEB based on existing ASICs
  - o etc...
- Difficulty of this design: a small prototype cannot be too small...
  - And Noble Liquid calo implies cryostat and cryogenics
- Still a significant endeavour
- Use of common tools (EUDAQ...) would at least facilitate the integration in a testbeam facility



- We have a lot on our plate
- There are some basic design and starting ideas in place
  - So we have a **clear 'minimal' route to follow**
- But there is lots of room for new ideas in every aspect of the concept
- Many opportunities for new collaborators !