



Scintillating sampling ECAL technology for the LHCb PicoCal

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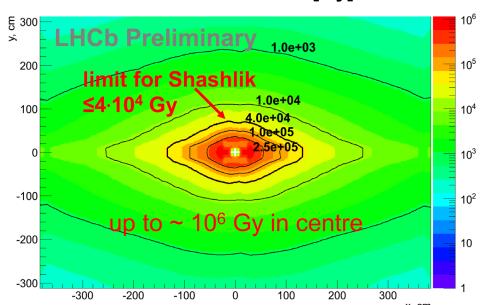


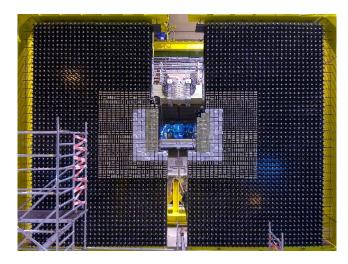
The current ECAL and motivation to upgrade

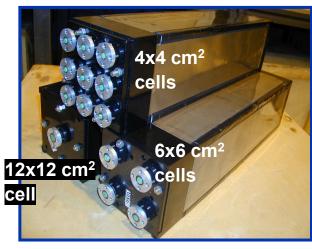
Current LHCb ECAL:

- Optimised for π^0 and γ reconstruction in the few GeV to 100 GeV region at 2 x 10^{32} cm⁻²s⁻¹
- Shashlik technology: 4x4 / 6x6 / 12x12 cm² cell size
- Radiation hard up to 40 kGy
- Energy resolution: σ(E) / E ≈ 10% / √E ⊕ 1%
- Large array (8 x 7 m²) with 3312 modules and 6016 channels

Accumulated radiation dose [Gy] after 300 fb⁻¹





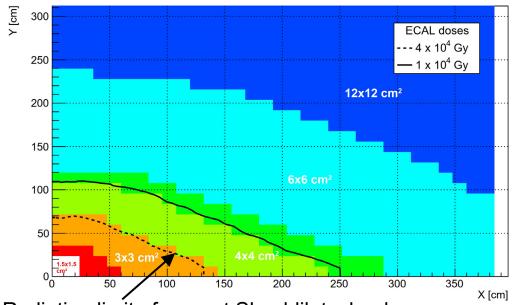


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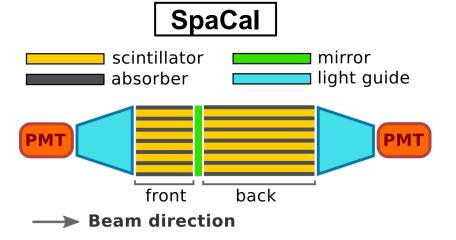
Requirements for the Upgrade II: operation at L = 1-2 x 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹

- Sustain radiation doses up to 1 MGy and ≤ 6⁻¹⁰¹⁵cm⁻² for 1MeV neq/cm² at 300 fb⁻¹
- Keep at least current energy resolution
- Pile-up mitigation crucial
 - → Timing capabilities with O(10) ps precision, preferably directly in the calorimeter modules
 - → Increased granularity in the central region with denser absorber
- Respect outer dimensions of the current modules: 12x12 cm²

Technologies for the Upgrade II



Radiation limit of current Shashlik technology



SpaCal technology for inner region:

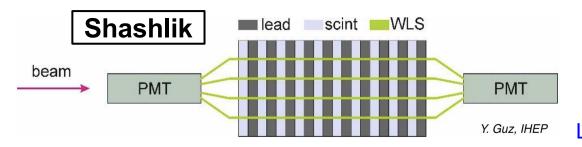
- Innermost modules with scintillating crystal fibres and W absorber
 - → Development of radiation-hard scintillating crystals
 - \rightarrow 1.5x1.5 cm² cell size
- 40-200 kGy region with scintillating plastic fibres and Pb absorber
 - → Need radiation-tolerant organic scintillators
 - \rightarrow 3x3 cm² cell size

Shashlik technology:

- About 3300 new Shashlik modules with improved timing capability and double-sided readout
 - → Possible cost optimization by refurbishing ≈2000 existing modules with fast new WLS fibres, adding ≈1300 new modules with required cell sizes

LS3 enhancement:

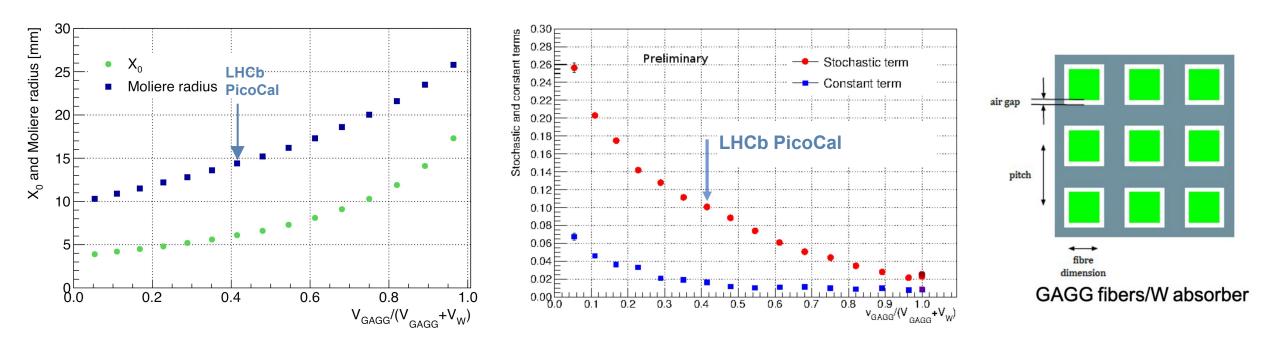
- SpaCal with W absorber for innermost modules equipped with scintillating plastic fibres for 2x2 cm² cell size, single-sided readout
- All SpaCal modules titled by 3°+3°



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SpaCal: tuning of X₀, R_M and energy resolution

Example: Variation of fibre size with constant pitch in SpaCal-W/GAGG

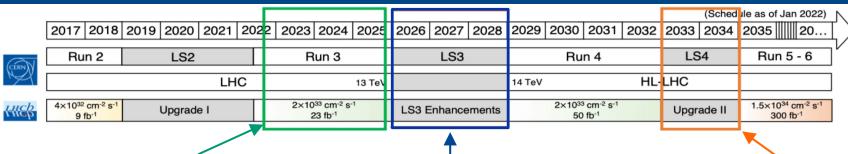


- Similar variations also possible for polystyrene fibres or Shashlik modules!
- Very flexible technology, also relevant for Higgs factories, FCC-hh, fixed-target experiments at the intensity frontier, ...

Talk by Loris Martinazzoli: R&D of GAGG single crystals for fast timing detectors in high rate and radiation environments

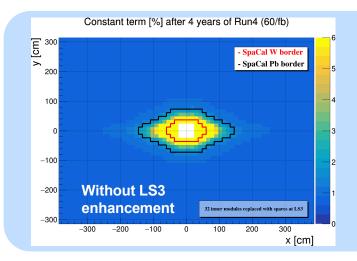
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LHCb ECAL upgrade strategy



Run 3 in 2022-2025:

 Run with unmodified ECAL Shashlik modules at L = 2 x 10³³ cm⁻²s⁻¹ (new 40 MHz readout)



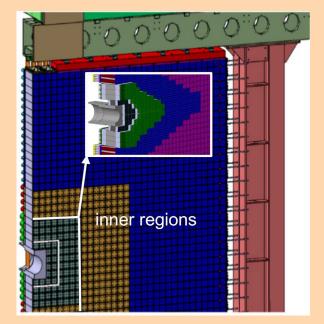
LS3 enhancement in 2026-2028:

- Introduce single-section rad. tolerant SpaCal (2x2 and 3x3 cm² cells) in inner regions and rebuilt ECAL in rhombic shape to improve performance at L = 2(4) x 10³³ cm⁻²s⁻¹
 - → 32 SpaCal-W & 144 SpaCal-Pb modules with plastic fibres compliant with Upgrade II conditions
 - → Option to include timing information with single-sided readout to inner regions

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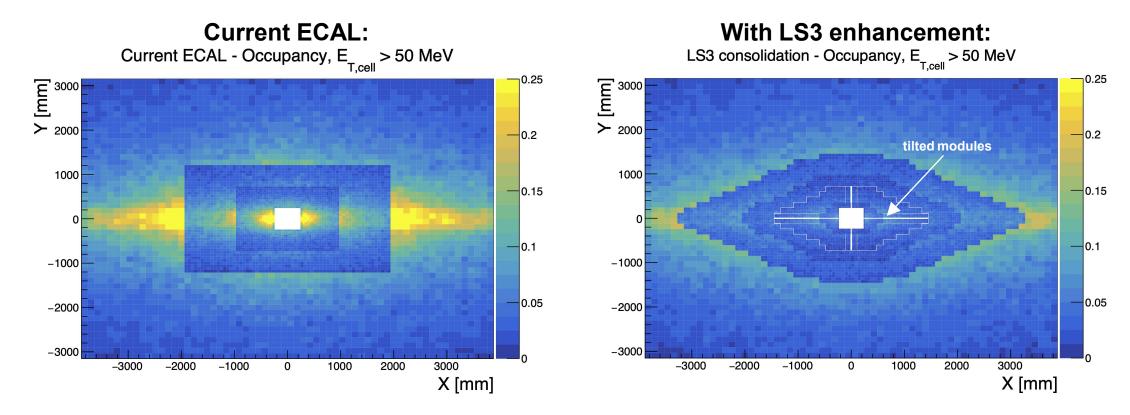
LS4 Upgrade II in 2033/2034:

- Introduce double-section radiation hard SpaCal (1.5x1.5 & 3x3 cm² cells) and improve timing of Shashlik modules for a luminosity of up to L = 1.5 x 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹
 - → Innermost SpaCal-W modules equipped with crystal fibres
 - → Include **timing** information and double-sided readout to full ECAL for pile-up mitigation



LS3: impact of improved granularity

- Occupancies from detailed simulation, also including the hadronic component!
- Assumed luminosity: L = 2 x 10³³ cm⁻²s⁻¹



- Sizeable occupancy in large regions before LS3 enhancement (e.g. challenge for neutral pion reconstruction)
- Occupancy map after LS3 enhancement reasonably flat

SpaCal with tungsten absorber:

- SpaCal-W with crystal fibres for LS4
- 3D printing of absorber and "module 0"
- SpaCal-W with polystyrene fibres for LS3

SpaCal with lead absorber

Shashlik with fast WLS fibres

SpaCal-W: prototype with garnet crystals

SpaCal prototype module with W absorber and garnet crystal fibres:

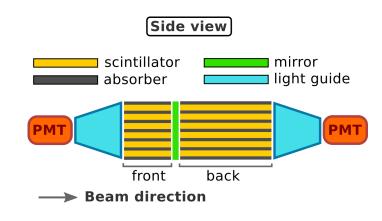
- Pure tungsten absorber with 19 g/cm³
- 9 cells of 1.5x1.5 cm² ($R_M \approx 1.45$ cm)
- $4+10 \text{ cm long } (7+18 \text{ X}_0)$
- Reflective mirror between sections

Crystal garnets from several producers:

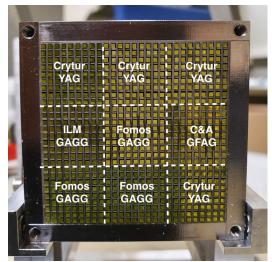
- Crytur YAG
- Fomos GAGG
- ILM GAGG
- C&A GFAG
- → Characterised with laboratory measurements

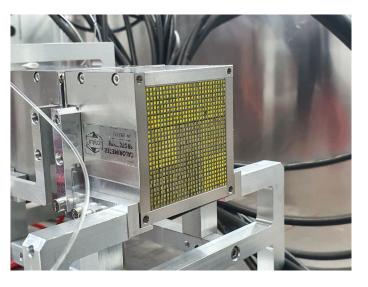
Photon detectors used:

- Hamamatsu R12421 for energy resolution
- Hamamatsu R7600U-20 metal channel dynode (MCD) PMT for better time resolution

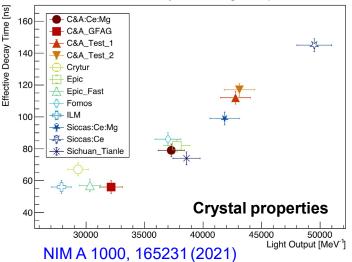


Configuration used at DESY in 2020 and 2021



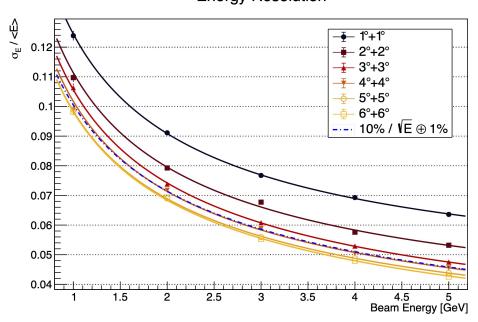


Effective Decay Time vs Light Output



SpaCal-W with crystal fibres: test beam results

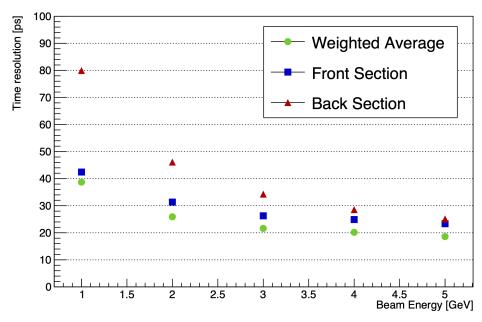
Energy resolution (DESY 2020, R12421) Energy Resolution



- Better energy resolution with larger incidence angles
- Data up to 5 GeV provide (10.2 \pm 0.1)% sampling term and 1-2% constant term for $\theta_{x} = \theta_{y} = 3^{\circ}$

Time resolution (DESY 2021, R7600U-20)

Time Resolution C&A GFAG



- Incidence angles: $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 3^\circ$, double-sided readout
- Time stamps in front and back obtained using constant fraction discrimination (CFD)
- Time resolution at 5 GeV for GFAG: better than 20 ps

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SpaCal with tungsten absorber:

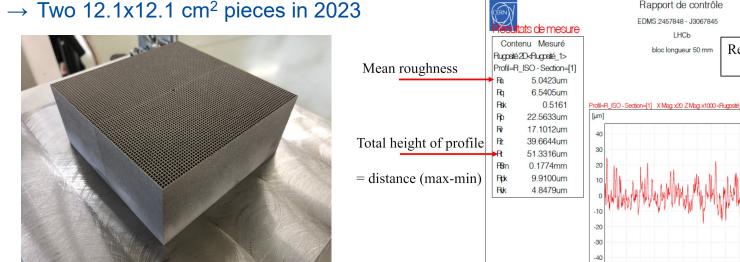
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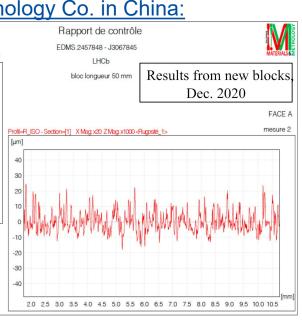
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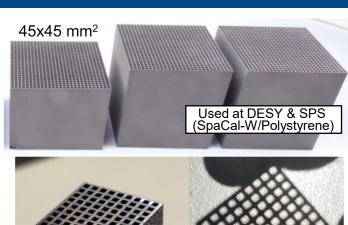
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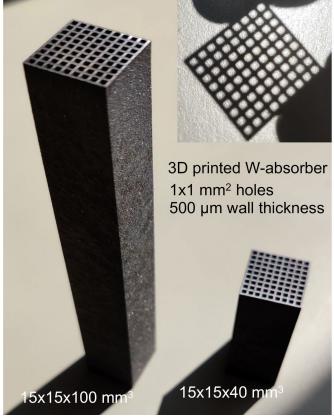
Tungsten absorber: 3D printing

- 3D printing using pure tungsten powder found to be a scalable technology for absorber production
- Smooth surface mandatory to avoid damaging the fibres during insertion
- \rightarrow Very good mean roughness of R_a = 5 µm (average profile height deviations from mean) achieved
- R&D campaign with EOS (Germany):
- → First 1.5x1.5 cm² cells with up to 10 cm length
- \rightarrow Then 4.5x4.5 cm² pieces
- → Recently 12.1x12.1 cm² pieces produced and used for "module 0"
- Module-size pieces recently produced by Laser Add Technology Co. in China:









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"Module 0" with tungsten absorber (1)

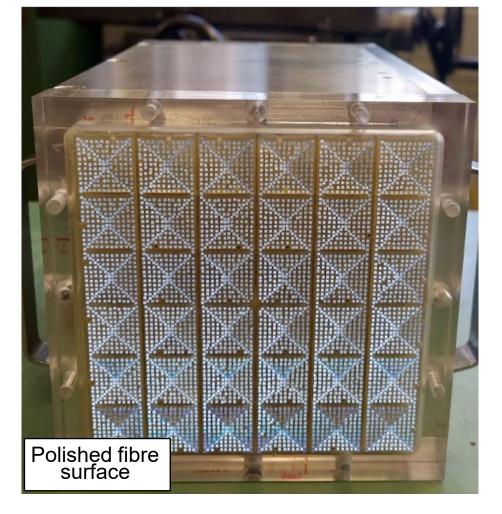
Full-size "module 0" with tungsten absorber assembled at CERN:

- 3D-printed tungsten absorber: 5+5+5+4 = 19 cm (LS3 configuration)
- Filled with single-cladded organic scintillating fibres (1x1 mm², Kuraray SCSF-78)
- Gluing and polishing procedure established

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One hole per cell removed to insert quartz fibre for calibration





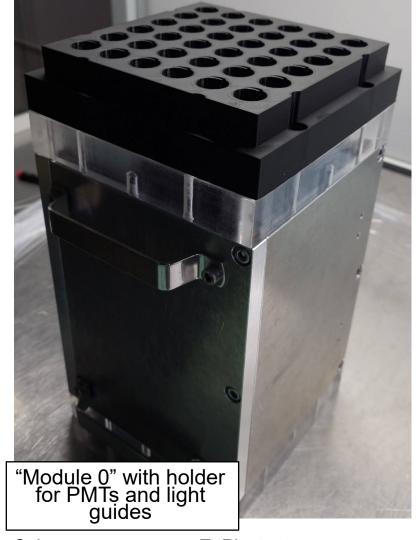
"Module 0" with tungsten absorber (2)

Full-size "module 0" with tungsten absorber assembled at CERN:

- Radiation-hard "hollow" light guides imbedded in PMT holder
- Extensive test beam characterization performed at DESY (May 2023)
 and CERN (June & August September 2023)







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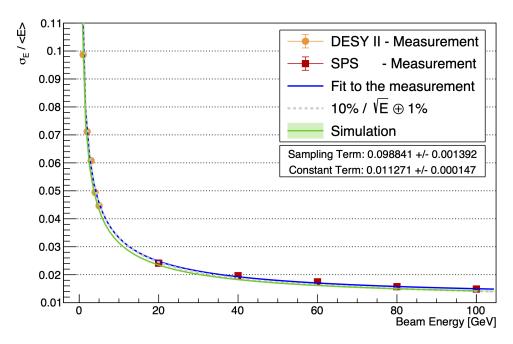
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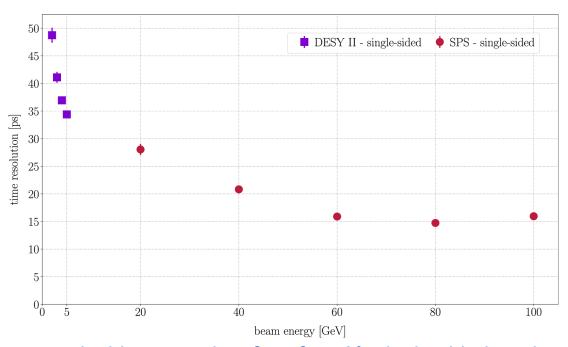
Energy resolution (DESY & SPS, R14755U-100)



- Incidence angles: $\theta_x = \theta_y = 3^\circ$, single-sided readout
- "Module 0" prototype
- Noise contribution subtracted
- Sampling term: 9.9%, constant term: 1.1%
- → Very good agreement with simulation

Talk by Marco Pizzichemi: The HybridMC: a fast detailed Monte-Carlo framework for the LHCb electromagnetic calorimeter upgrade

Time resolution (DESY & SPS, R7600U-M4)



- Incidence angles: $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 3^\circ$, single-sided readout
- Prototype with 2x2 cells
- Optical coupling with "hollow" light guide
- Multi-anode PMT with 4 channels
- Time resolution above 40 GeV: better than 20 ps

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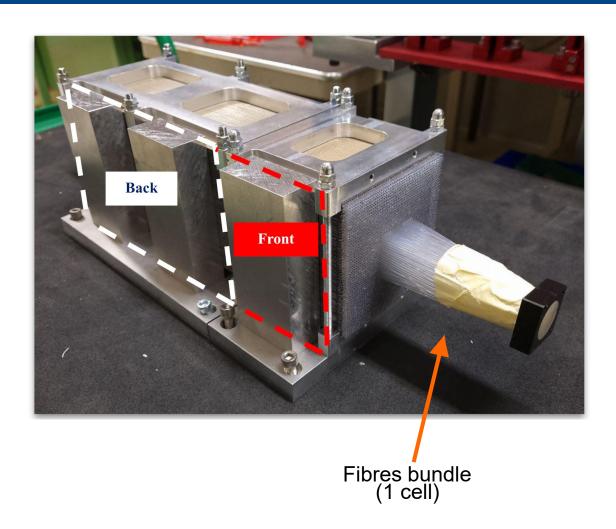
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SpaCal-Pb: prototype with polystyrene fibres

- Lead absorber with polystyrene fibres (1 mm, SCSF-78M)
- 9 cells of $3x3 \text{ cm}^2 (R_M \approx 3 \text{ cm})$
- 8+21 cm long $(7+18 X_0)$
- Reflective mirror between sections
- Results from DESY & CERN SPS

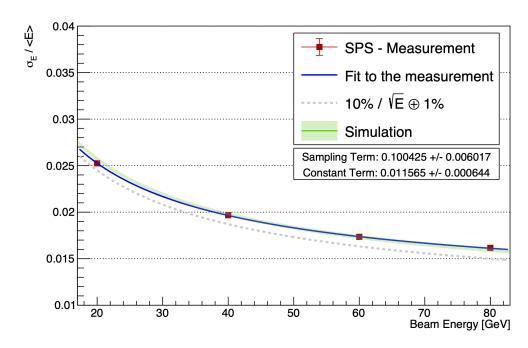
Different readout configurations compared:

- Direct contact of MCD PMT with the scintillating fibres
- PMMA light guides
- Bundle of fibres coupled directly to MCD PMT



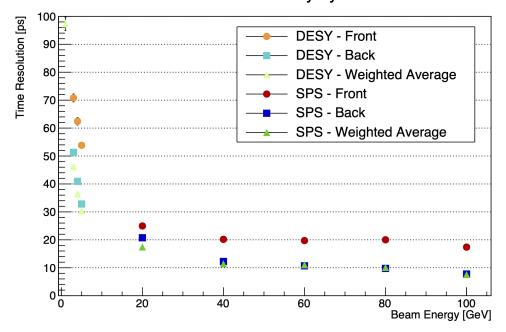
SpaCal-Pb with polystyrene fibres: test beam results

Energy resolution (CERN SPS)



- Incidence angles: $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 3^\circ$
- Noise contribution subtracted
- Sampling term: 10.0%, constant term: 1.16%
- → Very good agreement with simulation

Time resolution (DESY & SPS, R11187) Time Resolution Pb/Polystyrene - 3°+3°



- Incidence angles: $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 3^\circ$, double-sided readout
- PMT in direct contact.
- Front section more important at low energy, back section at high energy
- Time resolution above 20 GeV: better than 20 ps

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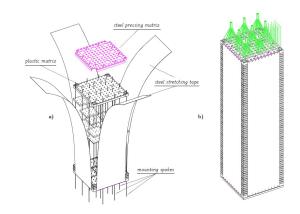
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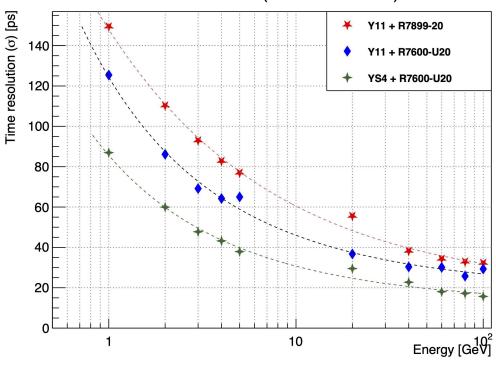
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Shashlik: R&D towards LS4

- Current LHCb Shashlik modules have good time properties, further improvement by replacing WLS fibres by faster ones:
 - Y11 (7 ns decay time) → current LHCb
 - YS2 (3 ns decay time)
 - YS4 (1.1 ns decay time)
- Measurements at DESY and SPS with current (R7899-20) and faster (R7600-20) PMT, single-sided readout, $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 3^\circ$



Time resolution (DESY & SPS)



Better than 20 ps achieved above 40 GeV (even slightly better with double-sided readout)

Summary and conclusions

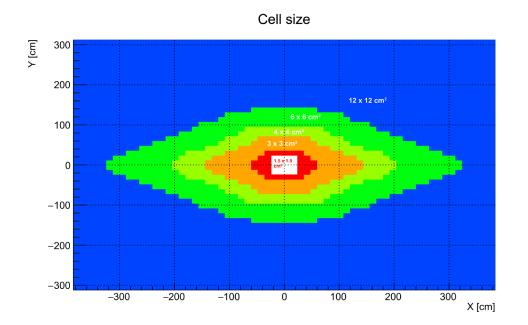


- The innermost 176 modules of the LHCb ECAL need to be replaced during LS3 due to radiation damage
- → SpaCal technology with tungsten and lead absorber meets all requirements for this region
- The Upgrade II in LS4 introduces picosecond-level timing capabilities and more demanding radiation hardness requirements
- → Better than 20 ps achieved with Shashlik and SpaCal technology at high energy
- → Crystal fibres in the central region
- Comprehensive R&D ongoing (also interesting for other future projects)
- → Test beam measurements with prototypes
- → Detailed Monte Carlo simulations
- → Study of novel absorber production techniques
- → Study of suitable PMTs and development of readout electronics
- → Investigation of new radiation-hard and fast scintillators

Thank you!

Backup slides

Reminder: LS3 configuration



- 9'344 cells (compared to 6'064 in current ECAL)
- Modules tilted in the SpaCal region

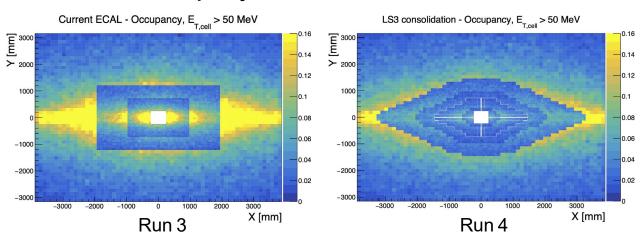
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- · Existing modules will be rearranged (4x4 cm² Shashlik modules moved out to avoid too much radiation damage, WLS fibres could be easily replaced)
- Timing will be implemented for SpaCal region
- → requires new electronics for ≈ 3'300 cells

No longitudinal segmentation

Modules: Cell size: 32 new SpaCal-W modules 2 x 2 cm² 144 new SpaCal-Pb modules 3 x 3 cm² 176 existing modules in rhombic configuration 4 x 4 cm² 448 existing modules in rhombic configuration 6 x 6 cm² 2'512 existing modules in rhombic configuration 12 x 12 cm²

Occupancy at $L = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



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