



An overview of the CMS **High-Granularity Calorimeter**

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CMS: Compact Muon Solenoid

Operating at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), CERN

- Multi-purpose experiment: Higgs sector physics, Standard Model (SM) precision measurements, searches Beyond the SM (BSM)...
- Several sub-detectors nested around the LHC collision interaction point



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- Trajectory of the **charged particles** bent by the 3.8 T magnetic field
- Nature, energy and direction of the **stable** particles deduced from the combined information of all the sub-detectors
- **Higher-level objects** (jets, τ leptons, missing transverse momentum) built up from detected particles





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Pileup 140-200 at HL-LHC (over 2x w.r.t. LHC busiest interactions)



The CMS subsystems will be upgraded to cope with the harsher radiation environment

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LHC Run 2 Run 3 Run 1 LS1 **EYETS** LS2 13.6 TeV 13 TeV **Diodes Consolidation** splice consolidatio LIU Installation cryolimit 8 TeV button collimators interaction 7 TeV Civil Eng. P1-P5 pilot beam regions **R2E** project 2020 2014 2016 2017 2018 2019 2021 2022 2015 2023 **ATLAS - CMS** upgrade phase 1 experiment beam pipes 2 x nominal Lumi 2 x nominal Lumi **ALICE - LHCb** nominal Lumi upgrade 75% nominal Lumi 30 fb⁻¹ 190 fb⁻¹

A new forward calorimeter

- Existing endcap electromagnetic calorimeter (PbWO₄) and hadronic calorimeter (plastic scintillator) designed for 500 fb⁻¹ integrated luminosity
- To be replaced by a novel **radiation-hard calorimeter**, which must withstand:
 - Fluence up to ~ $10^{16} n_{eq}/cm^2$
 - Absorbed dose up to 2 MGy

Physics performance needs:

- High 3D spacial granularity and geometric acceptance on **forward** physics
- **Precision timing** (sub-nanosecond) to contribute to the improvement of vertex resolution

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The High-Granularity Calorimeter (HGCAL) project

New silicon imaging electromagnetic calorimeter + Si and Si+Scintillator layers hadronic section

- Silicon sensors operate adequately up to ~ 1.5 x 10¹⁶ n_{eq}/cm²
 - Variable thickness 120/200/300 μm to minimise radiation-induced noise
- **Plastic scintillator tiles** (SiPM readout) in the area with fluence < 4 x 10^{13} n_{eq}/cm²
- Operational temperature of -35°C

Unprecedented transverse and longitudinal readout segmentation:

- 6M silicon pads of size 0.6 or 1.2 cm² (620 m² overall)
- 240k plastic scintillator tiles 4 to 30 cm² (370 m² overall)

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Key challenges

- Complex engineering (mechanics, services connections)
- Spacial complexity
 - Diverse detecting layer structures
- High channel density
 - Large data volume transmitted to trigger and DAQ systems

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Discrimination against pileup energy deposits with 90 ps timing window selection



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Silicon modules

- Hexagon-shaped modules tiling the electromagnetic calorimeter and partially the hadronic section, with hexagonal sensor shape
 - Maximised sensor area on wafer, partial sensors at borders
- High Density (HD) sensors: 0.6 cm² cells; Low Density (LD) sensors: 1.2 cm² cells

Hexaboard

- Readout of sensor cells with HGCROC custom ASICs and connection to motherboard for data transfer
- Bias supply voltage

Silicon sensor

- 8-inch wafers
- Planar, DC-coupled, p-type sensors

Kapton sheet

- Isolation to baseplate
- Bias supply to sensor back side

CuW baseplate

Contributes to absorber material

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DENSITY:

LD

HD

THICKNESS:

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Scintillating tile modules

- Scintillator tiles sizes ranging from 4 to 30 cm² based on radial position
- Silicon Photo-Multipliers size of 9 mm²

Tileboard

 Readout of SiPMs with HGCROC custom ASICs and connection to motherboard for data transfer

Scintillator tiles

• Wrapped in reflective foil

Silicon Photo-Multiplier

- Placed within a dome to maximise light collection
- LED injection for calibration







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Modules integration



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- Modules mounted in 30° or 60° wide copper plates slices
- In the electromagnetic section, cassettes are equipped with modules on both sides
- "Minimal" variations in the active and expensive elements



Complexity transferred to lower cost elements such as wagons (over 50 variants)





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Readout ASICs: HGCROC

- Radiation-hard front end chip receiving and digitizing signals from the sensors
 - One readout chip design for silicon and tile modules, with minor adaptations
- Provides 3 measurements
 - charge (ADC) with 0.2fC 10pC dynamic range
 - preamplifier saturation time (**TOT**) with 200 ns dynamic range
 - Time of arrival **(TOA)** with 25ps resolution
- Two data flows over 1.28 Gb/s links:
 - 2x DAQ path (ADC, TOT, TOA)
 - 4x Trigger path (sum of 4 (9) channels, linearization, compression to 7-bit)

DAQ path



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Readout chain



- **ECON mezzanines**: concentrator chips for DAQ (750 kHz) and trigger (40 MHz) data transmission
- **Rafael: fanout chip** for clock and fast control distribution
- **IpGBT**: fast, radiation-hard **link chips paired to VTRx+ transceivers**, transmitting data and distributing clock, slow control and fast control signals
- Back-end ATCA-based system, which receives and buffers data and distributes clock, slow control, and fast control signals, interfacing with the CMS DAQ and Timing Hub (DTH)

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Silicon system test



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2018 test beam setup

Carried out at the H2 beamline branching from SPS (Super Proton Synchrotron, CERN)

- e^{\pm} , π , μ beam of 20 to 300 GeV energy
- Full GEANT4 simulation
 - Used for GEANT4 regular physics validation [docs]



- Electromagnetic section (HGCAL-EE)
 - Stack of 28 silicon modules
 - Pb/Cu absorber (+ CuW baseplates)
 - Double sided cassettes
- Hadronic section (HGCAL-FH)
 - 12 layers of up to 7 silicon modules assemblies
 - Steel absorber (+ Cu cooling/support plates)
 - Single sided cassettes
- Complemented by CALICE AHCAL
 - 39 layers of scintillator/SiPM-on-tile prototype
 - Steel absorber







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2018 test beam results: electromagnetic performance

e⁺ beam data, reconstructed in HGCAL-EE



Energy response linear within ±1.5% above 50 GeV

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- Energy resolution within the physics performance target: 0.6 % constant term
 - Compatible with performance of the current CMS electromagnetic calorimeter

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2018 test beam results: hadronic performance

- π beam data, reconstructed in HGCAL-EE, HGCAL-FH and CALICE AHCAL



Energy response linear within few %

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GNN-based reconstruction (DRN) to fully exploit the high-granularity and account for hadronic showers fluctuations



- Excellent data/simulation agreement
- DRN method brings a **x2 improvement** of the resolution w.r.t. energy-dependent weighted reconstruction (WS)

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2018 test beam results: timing performance

e⁺ beam data, reconstructed in HGCAL-EE

250 GeV/c e⁺



The evolution of real particle showers is resolved by the timing measurement





Resolution using half-showers in even/odd layers scaled by $\sqrt{2}$ as estimate of the performance with all layers

Performance meeting target: 16 ps constant term

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2023 test beam: readout chain commissioning

- First test beam with full vertical readout chain in place
- Trigger and DAQ path read out at ~100 kHz
- Synchronisation of all FE ASICs and BE FPGAs achieved
- DQM using reconstruction in CMS central software
- ECON-T and ECON-D configuration tests
 - Different trigger primitive algorithms exercised
 - Zero suppression data-taking mode
 - Pass through mode





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Reconstruction with the Iterative Clustering (TICL) framework



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CLUE - clustering through energy density

- Reduce by 10x the dimensionality and remove noise
- Fast operations (300 events/s) on parallel GPUs

CLUE 3D

- Re-cluster with longitudinal dimension
- Over 200 events/s on parallel GPUs

Particle flow

- Geometrical linking of layer-clusters with timing and energy compatibility
- Build showers/particles and assign properties and probabilities



CLUE and CLUE 3D performance with test beam data

Longitudinal profile

- 2018 test beam campaign data:
 - 28 single-module layers HGCAL-EE section
 - 20 to 300 GeV e⁺ beam
- Full GEANT setup simulation





over 50 GeV

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Clustered energy

CMS *Preliminary* e⁺ Test Beam resolution (%) Reconstructed hits Main CLUE3D trackstei

100

50

3.0

Energy resolution



150

200

Excellent performance on data and simulation

reconstructed into clusters

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Conclusion and outlook

- The challenging HL-LHC conditions call for a **complete change of paradigm**
- The HGCAL will provide excellent 5D performance
 - Novel reconstruction algorithms are fast and robust
- System integration and validation is proceeding at full speed
 - Upcoming 2024 test beam: tests in magnetic field, further testing of the readout chain
 - Scaling up: mass production of cassettes and modules in 2025



BACKUP



GNN-based reconstruction (DRN) with full HGCAL

- Estimate of the potential energy leakage in the test beam prototype w.r.t. the full HGCAL system
 - GEANT4 full geometry setup



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arxiv:2406.11937

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transverse shower

evolution modelling





Scintillating tiles system test

- Readout elements and DAQ concepts close to those of the silicon system, with minor adaptations
- Tile and SiPM production started
- Production phase of the tile modules starting summer 2024
 - Assembly at DESY/FNAL



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Tile wrapping station (DESY) Tile module assembly (DESY)

- Readout chain vertical tests advancing in parallel to silicon system test
 - Further testing at test beam campaigns at DESY

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