



7th FCC Physics Workshop

ALLEGRO Detector Concept & Noble-Liquid ECAL Development

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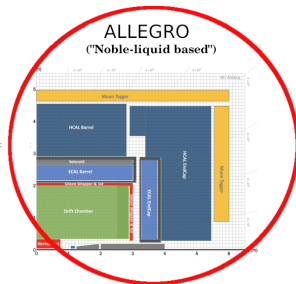
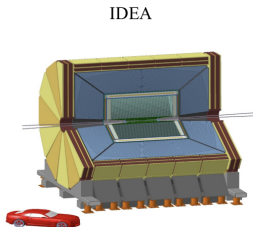
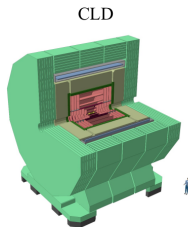
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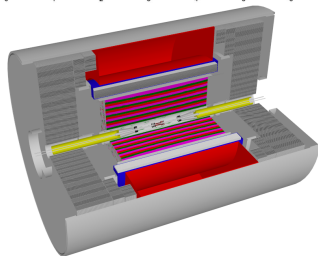
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- ▶ Hadronic calorimeter
- ▶ End-cap EM calorimeter
- ▶ Barrel EM calorimeter
 - Read-out electrode prototype & cross-talk studies
 - Mechanical design
- ▶ Conclusions & outlook



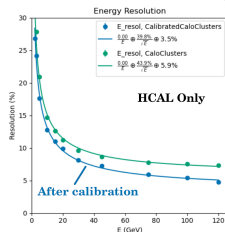
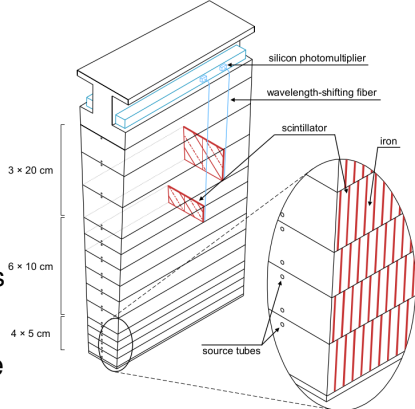
ALLEGRO detector concept

- ▶ General-purpose detector for FCC-ee
- ▶ Recently coined as ALLEGRO
 - A Lepton coLLider Experiment with Granular calorimetry Read-Out
- ▶ Highly-granular noble liquid ECAL a central and most studied feature
 - LAr or LKr with Pb or W absorbers
 - Multi-layer PCB as read-out electrode
- ▶ Vtx detector, drift chamber and ECAL inside 2 T solenoid, sharing cryostat
- ▶ HCAL and muon system outside solenoid
- ▶ Optimized for full FCC-ee physics program
 - Focus on PFlow & particle ID performance





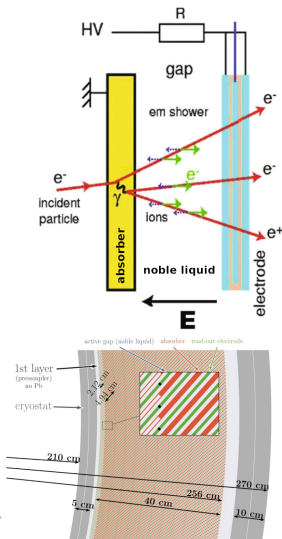
Hadronic calorimeter

- ▶ HCAL design based on alternating steel and scintillator layers
 - Well studied and tested design (similar to ATLAS TileCal)
 - 5 mm absorbers, 3 mm scintillators
- ▶ 13 radially thickening layers
- ▶ 128 modules in ϕ , 2 tiles per module
→ $\Delta\phi = 0.025$
- ▶ $\Delta\eta = 0.025$ (grouping 3-4 tiles)
- ▶ Also acts as return yoke for solenoid
- ▶ Geometry optimisation & calibration studies ongoing

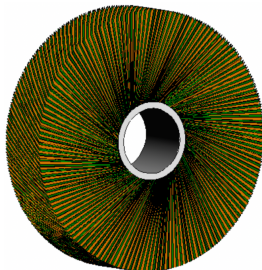
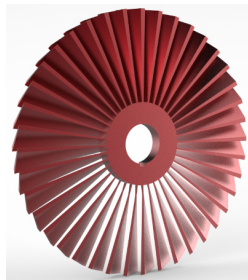


Refresher on noble liquid calorimetry

- ▶ Sampling calorimetry relying on ionization of the active material (liquefied noble gas)
- ▶ Based on alternating layers of absorbers, noble liquid and read-out electrodes
 - Voltage applied over noble-liquid gap
 - Incident particle ionizes noble liquid
 - e^- (and ions) drift to electrodes and induce current signal
- ▶ Successful in many HEP experiments
 - MarkII, DØ  , H1, NA48/62, ATLAS 
- ▶ Excellent E resolution, linearity, stability and uniformity, good timing properties
- ▶ Challenges: complex mechanical structure inside cryostat, signal feed-thru, granularity



Wake-up riddle



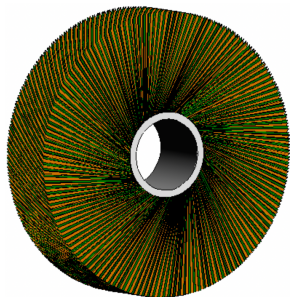
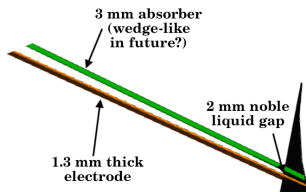
**What does any of the above have to do with
future collider experiments?**

Endcap EM calorimeter

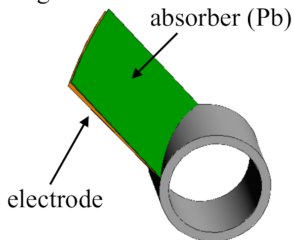
- ▶ Noble-liquid based sampling calorimeter
- ▶ ECAL endcap designed to feature:
 - Thin absorbers (high granularity)
 - Readout from outside faces only (no dead material)
 - Uniformity in ϕ

⇒ Turbine-like geometry as one option

- ▶ ~240 absorbers and electrodes each
- ▶ Geometry ported to FCC-SW for FCC-ee simulations



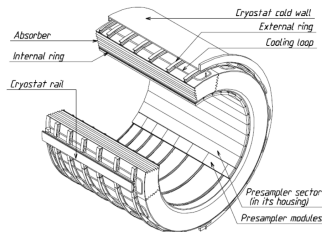
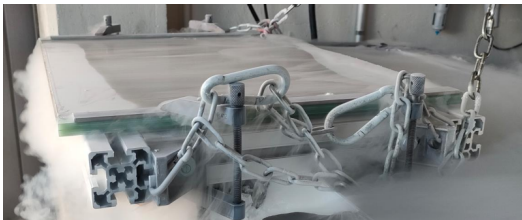
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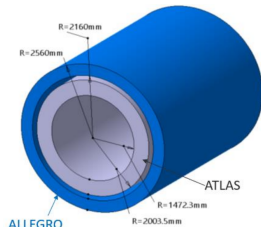
drawings by Rob Walker

Barrel ECAL - mechanical design

- ▶ ATLAS LAr ECAL used as reference
 - Larger radius, new electrode geometry
- ▶ Finite element analysis used for structural element design (strength, size)
- ▶ First prototype of two absorbers and one electrode built in 2023
 - Tested in liquid nitrogen bath



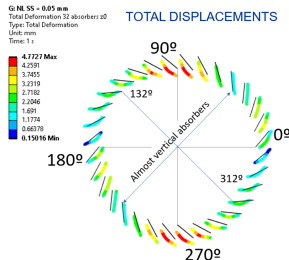
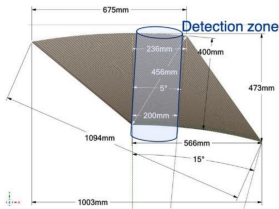
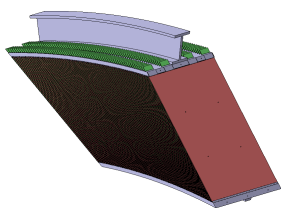
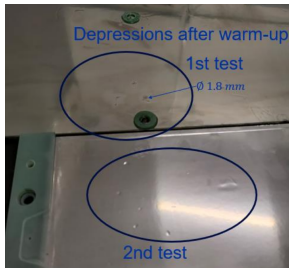
ATLAS liquid argon calorimeter general layout



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EM calorimeter size comparison

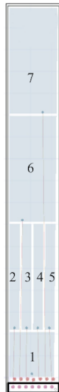
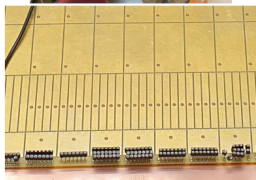
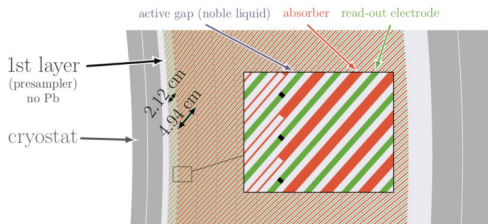
Absorbers & test-beam prototype

- ▶ First absorber prototypes produced with 1.8 mm of lead with 50 μm steel layers
- ▶ Small depressions seen after cold test
 - Origin being investigated
 - May need thicker steel layer
- ▶ Mechanical properties studied with FEM
- ▶ Design of a test beam prototype to be frozen by September 2025
 - 64 electrodes and absorbers
 - Placed in a cryostat for beam tests



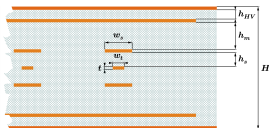
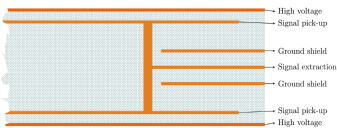
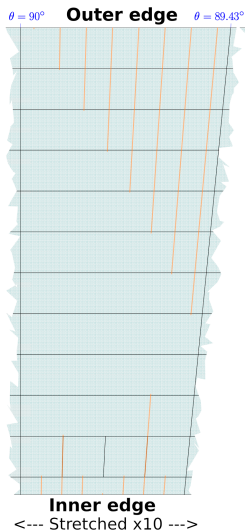
Highly granular noble-liquid calorimeter

- ▶ Printed circuit board (PCB) technology allows "arbitrarily" high granularity
 - Signal traces inside the electrode
- ▶ Prototype PCB 58 cm \times 44 cm \rightarrow
 - 50° inclination, 40 cm ($22 \chi_0$) thick
 - Split to 16 θ -towers & 12 depth layers
 - Narrow strips in front for π^0 detection
- ▶ 7-layer PCB, complex internal structure
- ▶ 240 cells in total in the first prototype
- ▶ Read-out from inner and outer edge



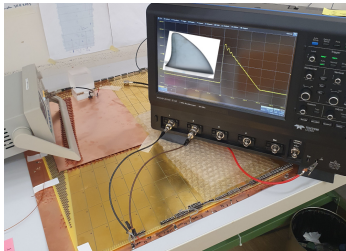
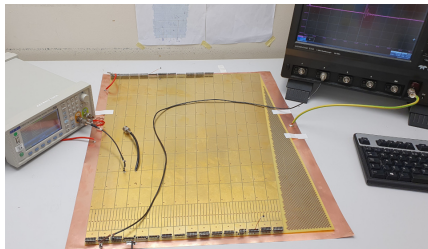
Readout electrode structure & shielding

- ▶ Signal traversing under other cells induces *cross-talk* (x-talk) that reduces main signal
- ▶ Can be mitigated by shielding signal traces with grounded strips
- ▶ **Trade-off between x-talk and electronics noise**
 - Shields reduce x-talk but increase capacitance to ground and hence noise
- ▶ In PCB v0 baseline is 2x width shields above and below each signal trace
 - Other configurations implemented for studies

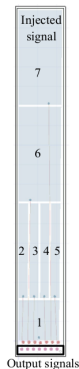
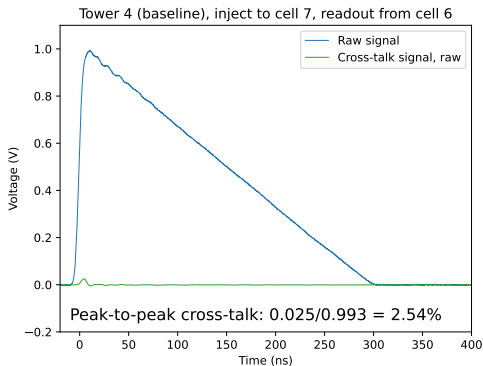


PCB measurement setup

- ▶ Electrical properties measured with a table-top setup
- ▶ Copper sheet as grounding and "absorber" above and below
- ▶ Function generator used for injecting shark-fin signal
 - 300 ns wide 1 V peak at 5 ms intervals
- ▶ Signal read with oscilloscope and analyzed offline
- ▶ Extra care needed for good quality measurements
 - Short cables, thorough grounding, impedance matching

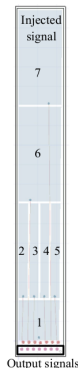
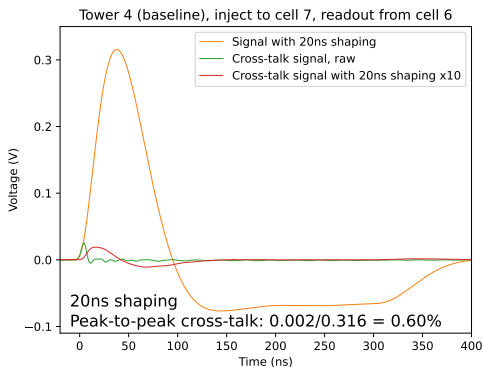


PCB measurements



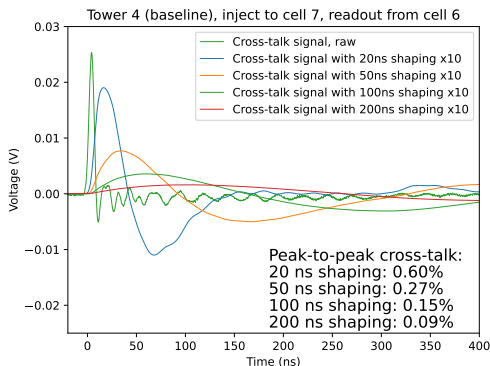
- ▶ Compare main signal magnitude to x-talk signal
- ▶ X-talk measured as "peak-to-peak" ratio
- ▶ X-talk ratio of $<1\%$ is needed and achieved with *shaping* →

PCB measurements



- ▶ Shape signals with ATLAS-style CR-RC² shaper
 - Here modeled by an analytical function
 - In reality implemented with electronics
 - Other shaping functions will be studied
- ▶ After shaping x-talk signal too small to see → ×10

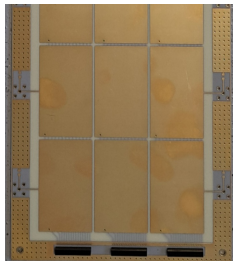
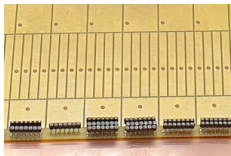
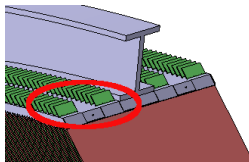
Cross-talk and shaping time



- ▶ Longer shaping time gives lower x-talk
 - At LHC long shaping times not good due to pileup, but an option in e^+e^- colliders
- ▶ X-talk down to 0.1% and less with long shaping time
- ▶ Low x-talk seen also in other shielding configurations

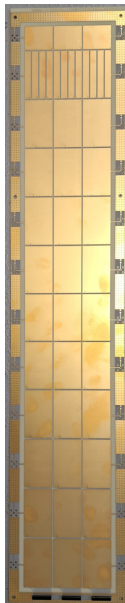
Plans for next PCB prototype

- ▶ Simulation studies underway for optimizing granularity
- ▶ Readout from outer edge only for minimizing dead material
 - X-talk of strip layer a challenge due to smaller signal
 - Singnal traces need to be "funneled" thru support structure
 - Read-out pins become tiny
- ▶ Would only one shield per signal strip be sufficient?
 - 6-layer PCB easier to manufacture and thinner → increased sampling ratio
- ▶ Need to re-design readout connections
 - Industry standard connector?
 - Soon results from Paris prototype ⇒



Conclusions & Outlook

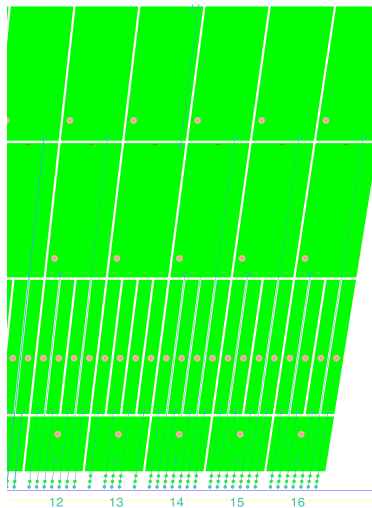
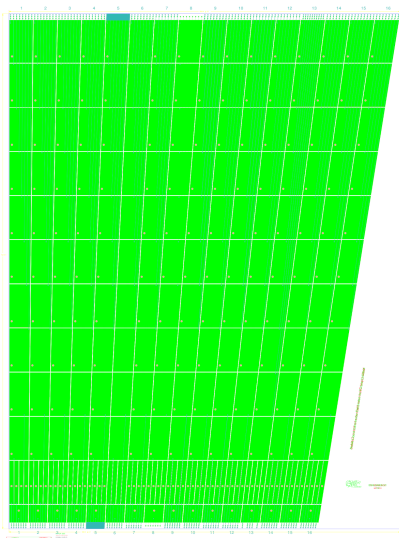
- ▶ ALLEGRO is general-purpose FCC-ee detector concept
 - Now main activity on the calorimetry, magnet & cryostat
 - Several institutes expressed interest to work on muon system, vertex detector and drift chamber
- ▶ High-granularity NL ECAL with multi-layer PCB
 - Good option for future e^+e^- experiments
- ▶ New prototype PCB to be produced by summer
 - Smaller prototype arrived last week to IJCLab ⇒
- ▶ Test-beam prototype with 64 layers by 2027-28
- ▶ ALLEGRO web page to be released soon
- ▶ Team is growing fast, already 18 institutions joined!
 - ECFA DRD6 (calorimetry) work package 2
- ▶ ALLEGRO talks also on Wed 11AM & on Thu 6PM
- ▶ **Ideal occasion to join ALLEGRO!**

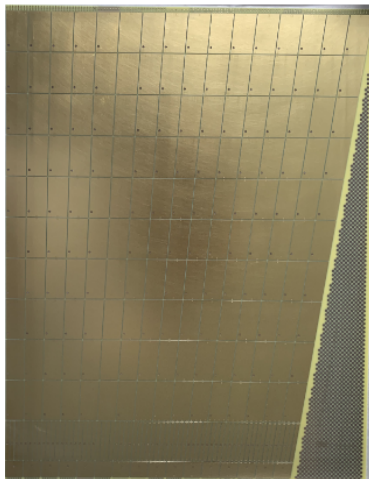
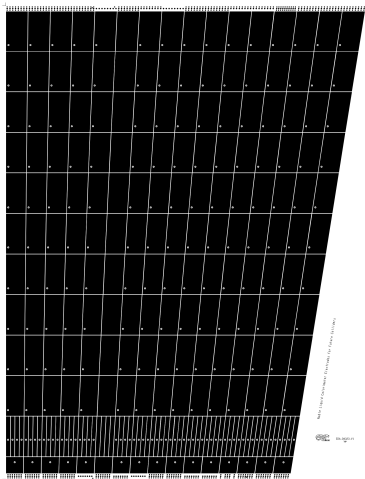


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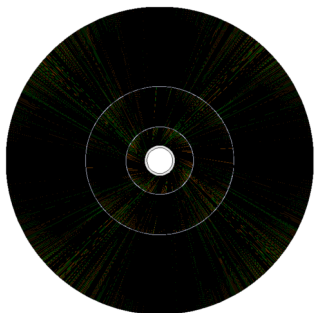


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- Another consideration is the variation of the gap with radius
 - means that response is very different at the inner and outer radii (41 cm and 275 cm)
- To mitigate this, the detector can be subdivided into a set of nested cylinders:



Tradeoff between minimizing variation in gap width vs. minimizing transitions/dead areas

In this example, each cylinder has $r_o/r_i \approx 1.9$

