

### Test Beam results of the Hadronic Calorimeter of the SND@LHC experiment







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Designed to perform measurements with high-energy neutrinos (100 GeV to a few TeV) produced at the LHC in the region  $7.2 < \eta < 8.4$ .















## **SND Detector**

### **\* VETO** system:

\* 3 layers of Plastic Scintillating to tag incoming muons

### \* Neutrino Target & Vertex Detector ~830kg

\*5 Walls of 4 units of Emulsion Cloud chambers (ECC)

\*Each ECC is 60 emulsion film interleaved with 1m W.

### **\***Tracker and ECAL

\*Scintillating Fibres (SciFI) between each wall

\*40x40cm<sup>2</sup> planes, alternating X and Y

\*Staggered 250um polystyrene fibres readout by a SiPM array. **\*Hadronic Calorimeter:** 

\*5 Upstream Layers (**US**):

\*Sampling of 20cm Fe + 1cm thickness Scint. Bars

\*Dual readout of Scint. Bars with 8 SiPM

\* Horizontal bars of 6cm x 1cm x 81cm

### **\*Muon System:**

\* 3 Downstream Layers (**DS**):

\* Horizontal and Vertical Scintillating bars

\* Bars of 1cm x 1cm x 80 cm







## Test Beam 2023

### All energetic $\nu N$ collisions produce hadronic showers

- \* Understand the share between ECAL and HCAL
- \* Energy response, Shower profile, signal linearity, detectors effects...

Setup

- \* SPS H8 Beam line Hadrons {100,140,180, 240, 300} GeV
- \* Different  $\lambda_{int}$  on **target** {0.5,1,1.5} 4 SciFi planes

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Walls

- \* Total of 7.5 $\lambda_{int}$  for a shower containment of 95% at 300 GeV
- \* 4 SciFi layers (x and y planes)
- \* 5 Planes of US and 1 DS plane
- \* Same DAQ as SND@LHC







## Readout and DAQ

### SciFi

- 4 13x13cm<sup>2</sup> SciFi stations
- \* 512 SiPM channels available per X and Y to readout a 250um fibre

### US layers (HCAL)

- 10 bars per layer, with 8 SiPM readout \* per side.
- \* 6 Large SiPM and 2 Small SiPM per side
- \* MIP response with 60 p.e. (sum of 6 channels)











### DAQ

- \* Readout through TOFPET2.
- \* Time and charge are calibrated using test pulse.
- \* Working on TriggerLess mode
- \* All signals exceeding threshold are readout by the FE electronics and clustered in time to form events

US Layers







Sampling on MIPs

## **US QDC distribution**









## HCAL Efficiency

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### Extrapolated tracks with good quality ( $\chi^2/NDF < 20$ ) from SciFI-DS to US planes, with hits >10 SiPM (out of 12)













## US1 bar central bar - 300 GeV pion 3 Walls





- SiPM channels working under same gain as the experiment.
- TOFPET QDC range max at 180?, saturation observed at 140 QDC units.
  - Large SiPM not saturated (S14160-6050HS have 14k pixels)
- Electronic saturation a 1k Photons agreement on Laser measurement and MC

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plane\_20\_5\_1 77.39 معيدانا 42.77 Std Dev 140 QDC max

plane\_20\_5\_2 small SiPM n<sub>v</sub>/n<sub>pixels</sub> 0.15 0.20 0.10 0.25 0.30













## Shower Profile

- \* **Longitudinal** shower profile for pions on Fe; expected maximum between 1.6 $\lambda$  and 1.9 $\lambda$ for 100-300 GeV range -> SciFi3 - SciFi 4/US1
- \* Observable: Average signal per event per detector plane.

Preliminary Results - 3 Walls example



\* Maximum well reproduced.

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\* Large difference of #ch between US and SciFi. Saturation on first layers of US.









## MC vs Data - longitudinal shower profile



3Walls -300 GeV

- \* Detector length capable of 95% shower containment, tail not observable.
- \* Problem of proportionality on US, maybe US saturation (data) and digitation (MC).









## Shower in SciFi vs US

## Selection

### **Shower Origin tag:** \*

- Most upstream **SciFi layer with >36 hits** \*
- \* Time Cut: **0.1 Clock Cycle for SciFi**
- **US: 3 Clock Cycle** difference wrt SciFi shower (1.5ns)

## Distributions

### Sum up all QDC: \*

- From shower origin from SciFi \*
- All US planes















$$E_{shower} = kS + \alpha U$$

- It depends on the shower origins and beam energy.









## Energy Resolution

## E Resolution of US at different shower origins











Energy SciFi vs US









## Summary & Prospects

## Results, progress, missing items, open points

- \* Successful Test Beam with large statistics collected
- \* Sampling per MIP seems to agree with what observed on SND@LHC detector.
- \* Clear observation of **Saturation on US** channels on hadronic showers \* Possible to explore the <u>use of small SiPM</u>
- \* MC: Understand **US digitation** for proper **shower profile**
- \* Data: Use small SiPM to provide accurate shower profile.
- **\* Good Proportionality of SciFi** response to particle energy
- \* Energy share between ECAL and HCAL presented
- \* Preliminary energy calibration process gives good resolution of 14% for 300 GeV  $\pi$

Ultimate goal: Make a full validation of MC and apply calibrations factors to HCAL of SND@LHC













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 $e, \mu, \tau$  Identification



Isolated track in 1cm bar









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## Veto & Muon system

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Veto system

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