





# SCREAM\* at PS

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\* Sampling Calorimetry with Resistive Anode MPGDs

## Introduction

- Goal: Test of an MPGD-based calorimeter prototype
  - Good containment of showers up to 10 GeV with ~10 layers
- Test beam 1-12.11.2018 at PS/T10.
  - Parasitically
    - 4 groups in total.
  - Low energy (E <7 GeV; p 1-6GeV/c) electrons and pions</li>
    - Electron beam was not possible due to large material budget upstream and pressure from other users in T9 and T10.



## Experimental setup

- <u>12 Detectors</u>
  - Active Sensor Unit (ASU): 28 MICROROC (x64 channels with 3 thr)  $\rightarrow$  1792 pads of 1x1 cm2 (with or w/o diodes)
    - 3 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> resistive bulk- $\mu$ M: embedded-R (~1 M $\Omega$ )
    - 5 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> RPWELL: silicate glass (~10<sup>10</sup> Ωcm)
  - 3 16x16 cm<sup>2</sup> bulk-µM with 4 MICROROC
  - 1 16x16 cm<sup>2</sup> resistive bulk-µM with 4 MICROROC
- 2 cm thick <u>steel absorbers</u> between the different layers
  - Calorimeter is between 1-1.5 interaction length thick.
- Hold onto a mechanical structure and read by a single DAQ system.
- Trigger: from ALICE ~1x1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- Gas: Ar/ 7%CO<sub>2</sub>, flushed in parallel in all chambers
  - thanks a lot to RD51
- HV mainframe and monitoring supplied by RD51.

## Experimental setup

#### **T9 Beam Composition**

Open collimators and electron enriched target



- Used T10's Čerenkov counter as veto.
- In hadron enriched target, e<sup>±</sup> should be much smaller.

## Experimental setup

- Single DAQ system
- Steel absorbers
- Two configurations:
  - 11 detectors
    - 3 16x16 cm<sup>2</sup> µM
    - 3 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> µM
    - 5 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> RPWELL
  - 8 detectors
    - 3 16x16 cm<sup>2</sup> µM
    - 3 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> µM
    - 2 48x48 cm<sup>2</sup> RPWELL
  - Thus increasing DAQ efficiency by a factor of 5.



## Test summary

- First run with so many sampling layers
- Lots of time-consuming debugging
  - Difficult to access the area
  - Detectors arrived after installation
  - 3 THGEM electrodes were of low quality
- Parasitic users:
  - Only two shifts as master
  - Difficult to change the energy main user used 5 GeV/c
- Pions
  - Energy scan 2,3,4,5 (and 6 GeV for the 8 layers) @ ~6000/spill
    - 11 detectors: ~15k triggers for each energy value
    - 8 detectors: triggers > 25k for each energy value
  - Short voltage scan
  - Rate scan
- Many thanks to:
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  - RD51 for the gas, HV, monitoring

### Actual statistics larger than triggers

- The ASU records between triggers
  - writes more incidents than the triggering region
- Instead of hits synced with trigger → search for peaks in # of hits



## Typical beam profile

• Clear beam profile on all chambers



## Typical beam profile - time cut

• Selection of events corelated with trigger time



## Event display

- Clear tracks
- Allows tagging
  - penetrating MIPS
  - Showers
  - to select showers starting at the beginning of the calorimeter





## Preliminary results

• Number of hits distribution requires some refinement, but close to simulation prediction.



### Summary

- First SDHCAL prototype with multiple RPWELL and  $\mu M$  detectors was tested at PS/T10
- Interesting data set to look at the performance of an MPGD-based SDHCAL

#### Next steps:

- Experimental data analysis is ongoing
- Geant4 simulation work will follow.

### Thank you