Forward Hadron Calorimeter FHCal for MPD and BM@N

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The Forward Hadron Calorimeter in MPD setup.

FHCal will detect the spectators to measure the geometry of ion collisions.



- <u>Two arms of hadron calorimeters at opposite sides in forward regions.</u>
- At the distance 3.2 meters from the interaction point.
- Acceptance corresponds to pseudorapidity $2.0 < \eta < 5.0$

Main stages of FHCal project.

FHCal TDR (INR-MEPhI-JINR).
The final version is (almost) ready.
Collaboration of 3 institutes.
Contribution of CBM/FAIR.





• Production of FHCal modules (INR, Moscow)

 Beam tests of modules at CERN (MoU between JINR and CBM)



 Use of FHCal/CBM modules for BM@N (MoU between JINR and CBM)



Structure of FHCal – two left/right arms.

Modular Lead/Scintillator sandwich compensating calorimeter. Sampling ratio Pb:Scint=4:1.



Each arm:

- 45 modules;
- Beam hole;
- Weight 9 tons.



Light from scintillator tiles is captured by WLS-fibers and transported to SiPM.

Each module:

- Transverse size 15x15cm²;
- Total length 106 cm.
- Interaction length ~4 λ_{int} ;
- Longitudinal segmentation 7 sections;
- 1 section ~ 0.56λ_{int};
- 7 photodetectors/module;
- Photodetectors silicon photomultipliers (SiPM).

Event plane and centrality resolution.



Modules 15x15 cm² are optimum choice and fit the transverse size of hadron showers (interaction length of lead+scint. λ_1 ~20 cm).

The event plane resolution of 20°-25°: two arms of FHCal (maximum spectator multiplicity) and no influence of magnet field.

Energy deposition in FHCal isn't monotonic due to beam hole and can't resolve the central and peripheral events.



The ambiguity in centrality determination can be resolved by taking track multiplicity in TPC. Or by using other observables in FHCal.

Other FHCal observable for the centrality measurement.

Mainly, **fragments** are produced in peripheral collisions and located near beam hole.



while **pions** are produced in central collisions.

Depending on centrality there must be difference in the energy depositions in inner and outer parts of calorimeter.

Let's construct energy asymmetry:







Calculation of centrality from energy asymmetry – energy correlation.



Only energy bins are used for the calculations. More advanced two-dimensional analysis can improve the resolution.

Inspite of beam hole FHCal can resolve the central and peripheral events.

Stages of FHCal production: scintillators.

FHCal scintillator tiles and modules are assembled in workshop of INR, Moscow.







Permanent quality control of scintillator tiles, \mathbb{A}_{μ} WLS-fibers and gluing is performing with ⁹⁰Sr β -source.



Stages of FHCal production: modules.











At present, about 1/3 of FHCal modules are ready for the tests. All FHCal modules will be ready in 2019.

Tests of modules with cosmic muons are done in parallel with the development of Front-End-Electronics and readout.

Photodiodes, FEE and readout electronics.

A first samples of FEE with MPPC photodetectors were developed and produced.



The readout electronics: FPGA based 64 channel ADC64 board, 62.5MS/s (AFI Electronics, JINR, Dubna).



Front-End-Electronics:





Test of calorimeter supermodule at CERN T9 line.

Proton momentum range: 3-10 GeV/c



- Supermodule consists of 9 (3x3) CBM modules.
- The FEE and readout are designed for MPD (BM@N) experiment.
- Each module has 10 longitudinal sections with 10 SiPMs at the end.
- Full size 60x60x160 cm³.
- Weight ~ 4.5 tons.

Calibration of longitudinal sections with beam muons, 6 GeV/c



Spectra of energy sum in first *n* sections in central module, protons 3 and 6 GeV/c.



Comparison of amplitude spectra in sections, protons 6 GeV/c.



Experimental and simulation spectra are in good agreement.

Energy resolution for full supermodule.



Dependence of energy resolution on supermodule length.



Longitudinal profile of hadron shower in central module.

The energy resolution for central module and for full supermodule is practically constant starting from the 7 longitudinal sections.



Length of $4\lambda_1$ or 7 longitudinal sections is optimum for momentum range 3-6 GeV/c

Open issues.

- Mechanical support.
- FEE and readout. Final variant?
- Simulations: detector performance and physics performance.
- Calibration. Cosmic muons, geometry of tracks. Simulations.
- Power supplies. Mounting of readout elements. Full integration to MPD.
- Operation manpower.





Magnet pole with FHCal (left) and endcup detectors (right).

Proposition of FHCal for BM@N.



Present ZDC at BM@N

- No beam hole.
- central part consist of 36 modules with sizes 7.5×7.5 cm²,
- peripheral part contains 68 modules of 15×15 cm².
- Total number of modules 104.

modules MPD/CBM synergy for BM@N: Why?

- Modern technics;
 - Light yield ~x10 higher;
 - Detection of low energies;
 - Stable operation at high count rates;
 - Unification of approaches;
 - Experience in operation for later MPD/CBM experiments.



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Variants of FHCal for BM@N.



Event plane resolution: the same in both variants!





Problems with centrality.



30 E_{dep}/event [GeV] 800 700 600 20 500 400 300 10 200 100 O 6 8 101214161820 0 Impact parameter [fm]

What are these events?

Some heavy ions with A>100 deposit energy through e.-m. ionizing loss without hadron cascade.

Energy deposition is not monotonic in both cases even without beam hole!

Simulations: LA-QGSM Au+Au@4.5 AGeV





Centrality measurements are not simple in both geometries!

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E_{dep} [GeV]

Conclusion.

- The FHCal project is well developed.
- But there are a few open questions.
- New manpower for both hardware and software is desired!

Thank you!