## Status of forward spectators detectors at BM@N

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#### Forward detectors:

- FQH (Forward Quarz Hodoscope)
- FHCal (Forward Hadron Calorimeter)
- ScWall (Scintillation Wall)
- prototype of neutron detector **HGND**

Can measure:

- charge distributions of spectator fragments
- centrality determination
- reaction plane orientation
- measurement of neutrons from ion collisions

35	36	1	2	3	4	5	45	46
		6	7	8	9	10		
37	38		-		-		47	48
		11	12	13	14	15	47	
39	40	10	17		10	10	49	50
		10	17		10	19		
41	42	20	21	22	23	24	51	
		20	21	22	23	24		52
		25	26	27	28	20		52
43	44	20	20	21	20	23	53	54
		30	31	32	33	34		
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FHCal - (Forward Hadron Calorimeter):

20 modules with 10 longitudinal sections (PSD CBM), transverse size  $20x20cm^2$ , length – 5.6  $\lambda_{int}$ .

34 modules with 7 longitudinal sections (FHCal MPD like) –  $15x15cm^2$  (–  $4.0 \lambda_{int}$ ).



### Forward Quartz Hodoscope (FQH)







#### FQH - (Forward Quartz hodoscope):

16 quartz strips 160x10x4mm<sup>3</sup>, 2+2 MPPCs per strip, Hamamatsu MPPC S14160-3015PS, 3 x 3 мм<sup>2</sup>, 64 readout channels (low gain, high gain)

 $FHCal + FQH \rightarrow$  collision centrality estimation, reaction plane



### Scintillating Wall (ScWall)

ScWall view inside during production



#### ScWall mounted on the frame during Run8 run



Charge spectators detection  $\rightarrow$  fragmentation model parameters

- + collision centrality
- + reaction plane



1) after run 8 FHCal was rotated and is now aligned to beam axis

2) beam dump upgrade (?)

## FHCal position relative to the beam axis

Number of failures of FHCal modules during Run8



#### Energy distribution in calorimeter sections. Beam trigger BT



# Energy profiles in FHCal modules around the beam hole: comparison with simulation



Run 7821 MBT trigger 3.8 AGeV Central events: FHCal Edep < 1.4 GeV && Z<sup>2</sup> < 100

Simulation Xe+CsI@3.26 AGeV cms DCM-QGSM-SMM (UNIGEN) all BMN detectors Central events: FHCal Edep < 1.4 GeV && Z<sup>2</sup> < 100



## **Fragments charge distribution in FQH**

#### Amplitude scaled to 1/n Ē 10<sup>3</sup> BT 3.8 ГэВ MB 10<sup>2</sup> CCT2 10-1 10 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 10-2 strip position [cm] Amplitude scaled to 1/n 10 ᡁ᠘ᠺᢦ 10<sup>-3</sup> 3.0 ГэВ 10<sup>2</sup> E 10 10-4 500 2500 1000 1500 2000 3000 3500 4000 0 Z2 Hodo 10 18 20 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16

strip position [cm]

Beam profile. BT

20

#### ScWall average Z2 distribution with CsI(2%) target, Xe, CCT2

3A GeV

Y [cm]



1) No signal: bad contacts in connectors, fixed after the Run8

2) ScWall is now moving to new place, after the movement all cells will be checked again

- Do we need to re-arrange modules of FHCal?

The idea: 64 small (15x15) modules in total.

Check: do we have any improvements in flow analysis?





65 modules (only small 15x15)

Conclusion: keep the current small + large modules configuration.

- Do we need to exchange photodiodes in FHCal?



Pro: more visible MIP peak  $\rightarrow$  more accurate calibrations (?) Contra: less dynamic range with ADC64 board

These points need to be discussed and cross-checked with new cosmic calibrations + MC

- we are looking for the d beam in summer to check FHCal calibrations with pure beam of particles

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- no signal in several channels: fixed after Run8

- new LED flash calibration system: is under development in INR RAS and ITEP + JINR