

test beam results on W-fiber
and tilted plate calorimeters for
an updated RHIC experiment

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Old PHENIX



taken last Sunday at the BNL - RHIC Open House

The experiment

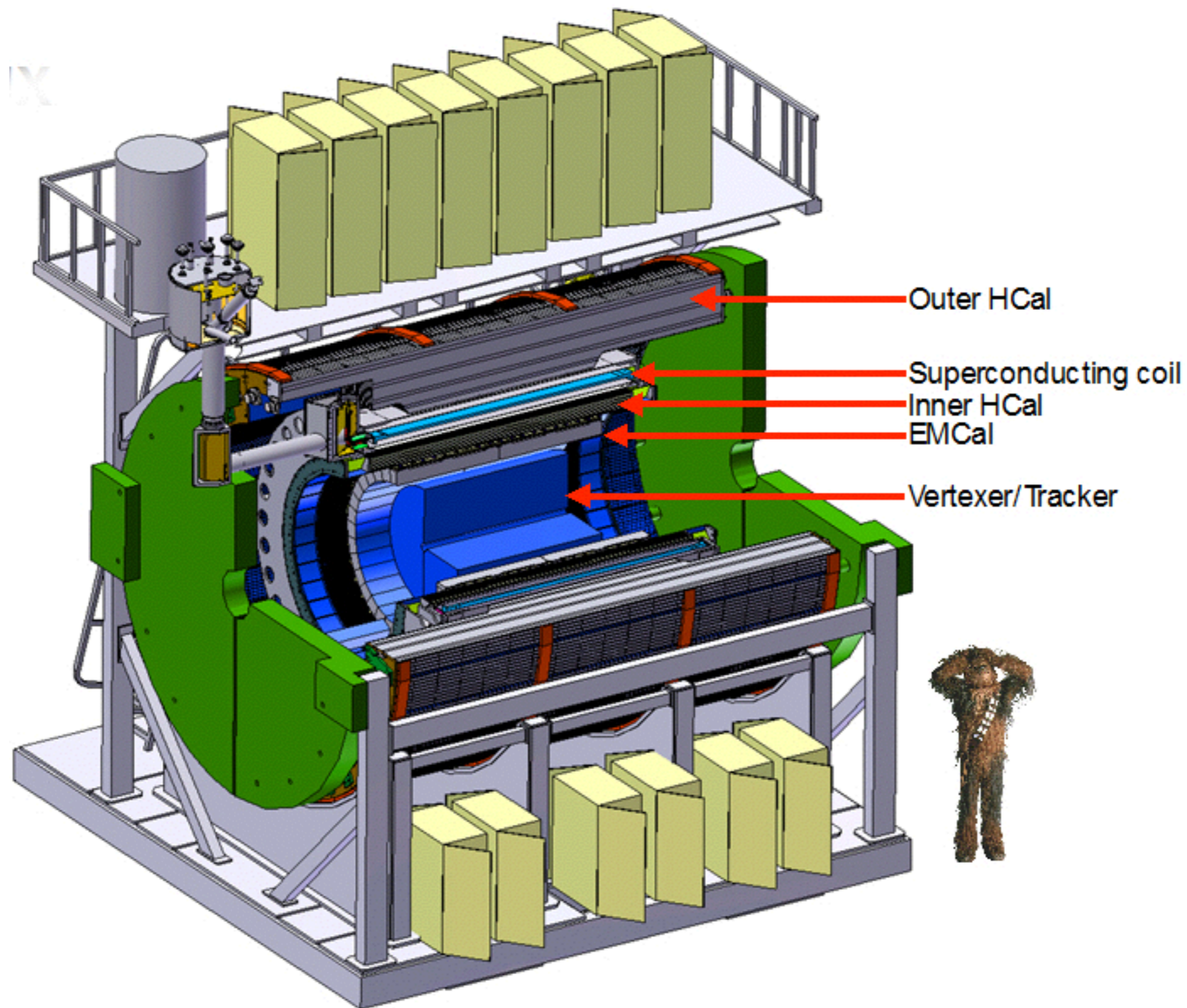
- ❑ Major upgrade to the PHENIX Experiment at RHIC
new collaboration with currently 57 Institutions signed up
<https://www.bnl.gov/rhic/news2/news.asp?a=6258&t=today>

- ❑ Primary purpose is to measure jets and heavy quarkonia in heavy ion collisions (@ 200 GeV/c)
 - Measure total energy using calorimetry (including hadronic – first HCAL at central η at RHIC)
 - Good solid angle coverage ($|\eta| < 1$, $\Delta\phi = 2\pi$)
 - Measure Y to $\sigma_M \sim 100$ MeV

- ❑ Provide a basis for a future Day 1 detector for eRHIC (Brookhaven's version of the Electron Ion Collider)
 - Study nucleon structure and QCD in nuclei over a broad range of x and Q^2 using deep inelastic polarized ep and eA collisions

- ❑ talk by Abhisek Sen, Friday

sPHENIX layout



<http://arxiv.org/pdf/1501.06197v1.pdf>

The sPHENIX Calorimeter Systems

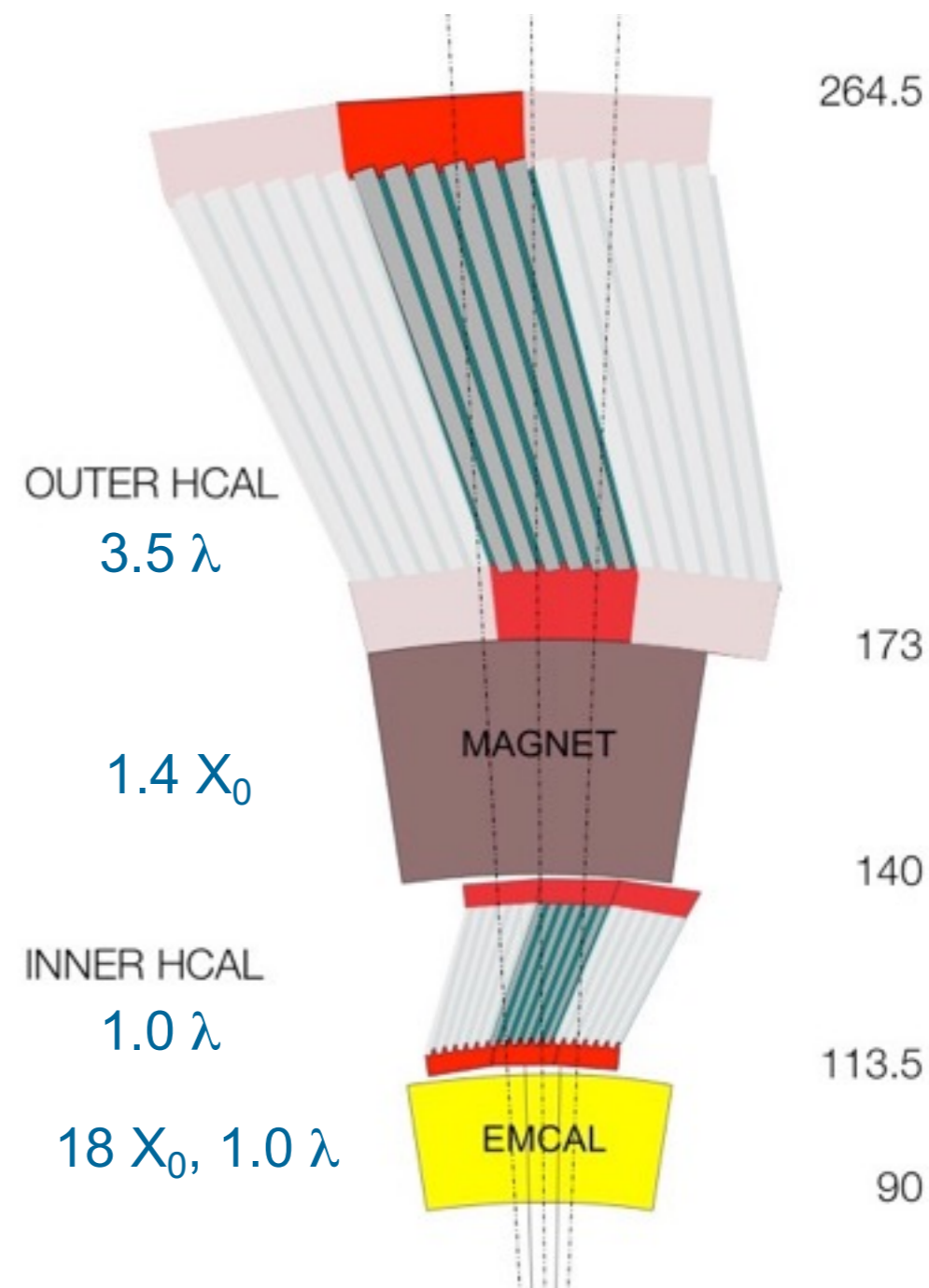
EMCAL – Tungsten SciFi SPACAL

- ± 1.1 in η , 2π in ϕ
- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi \approx 0.025 \times 0.025$
- $96 \times 256 = 24576$ readout channels
- $\sigma_E/E < 15\%/\sqrt{E}$

HCAL – Steel plates + scintillating tiles with WLS fiber readout

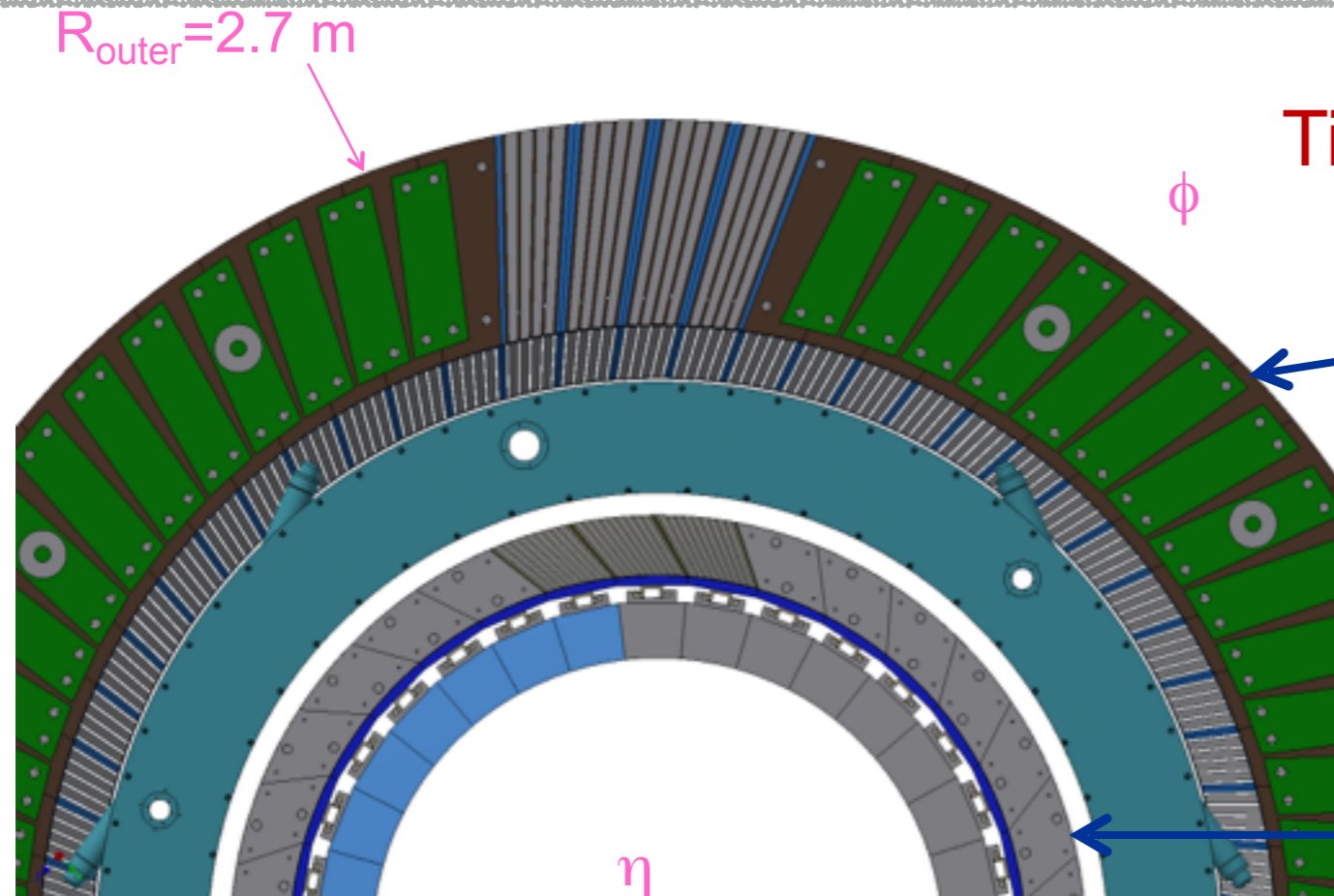
- Plates oriented parallel to beam
- Iron serves as flux return
- Plates are tilted to avoid channeling
- Two longitudinal sections ($\sim 4.5 \lambda$)
 - Inner HCAL inside magnet
 - Outer HCAL outside magnet
- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi \approx 0.1 \times 0.1$
- $2 \times 24 \times 64 = 3072$ readout channels
- $\sigma_E/E < 100\%/\sqrt{E}$ (single particle)

Both EMCAL and HCAL read out with SiPMs



EMCAL + HCAL $\sim 5.5 \lambda$

Hadronic Calorimeters



Tilted Plate Design

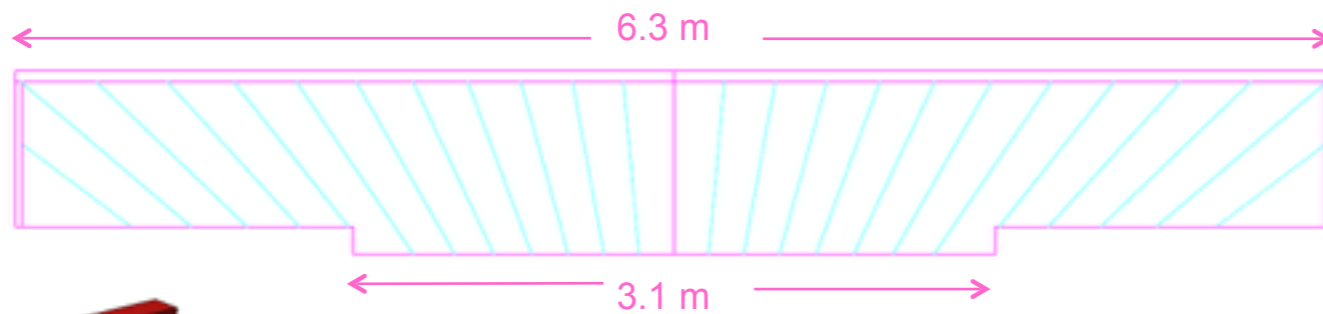
Outer HCA L
64 modules in ϕ

$\langle SF \rangle = 3.5\%$

MIP crosses
4 tiles in each
calorimeter

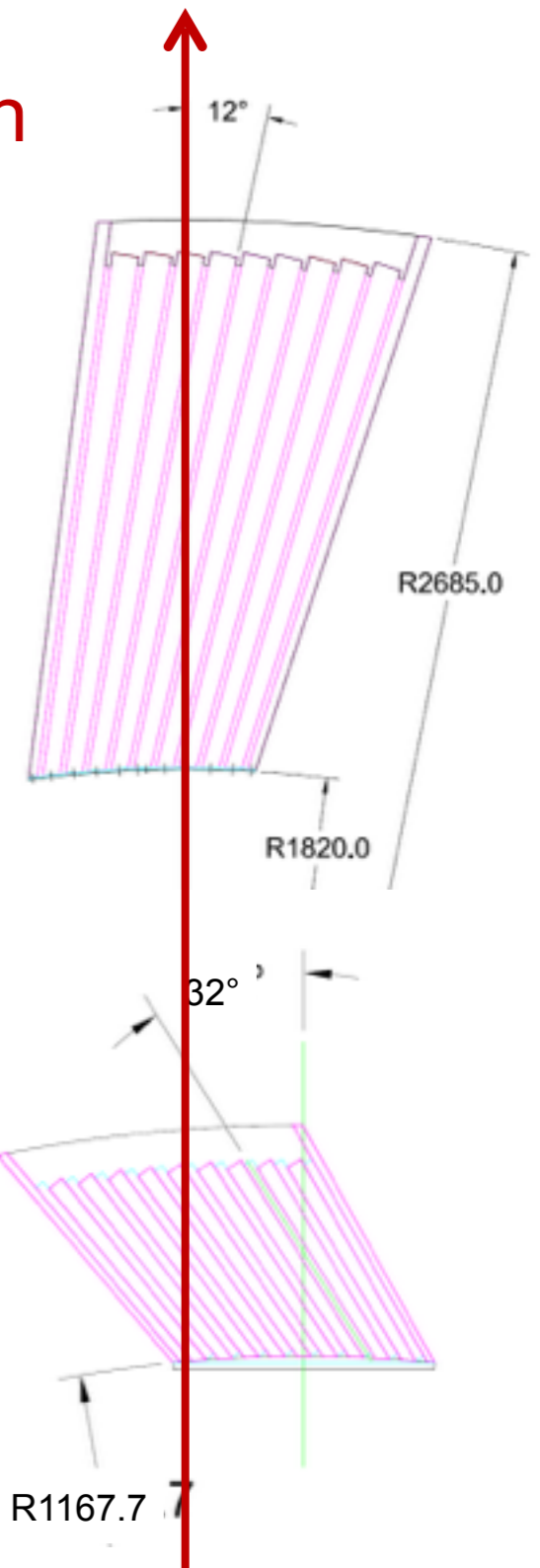
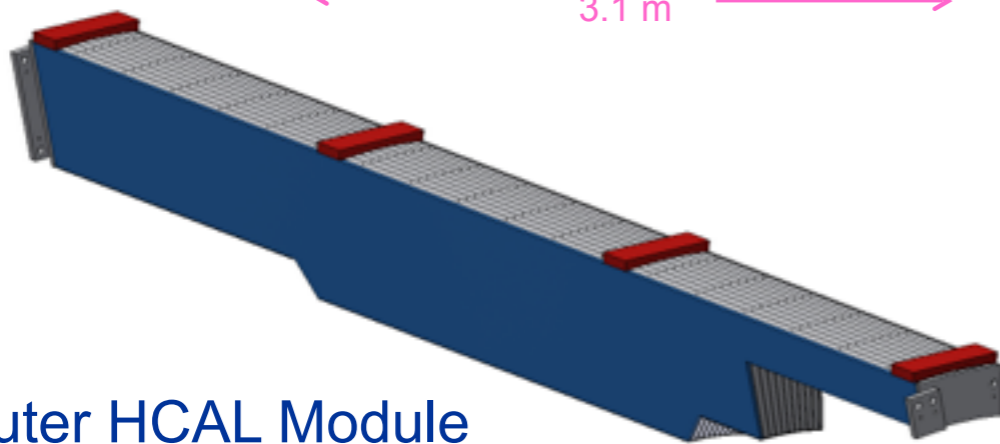
Inner HCAL
32 modules in ϕ

$\langle SF \rangle = 6.7\%$



2x12 towers in η
3072 towers total

Outer HCAL Module
(13.5 tons)



Sampling fraction changes with depth (~25%)

W/SciFi SPACAL (originally developed by Oleg Tsai at UCLA)

Absorber

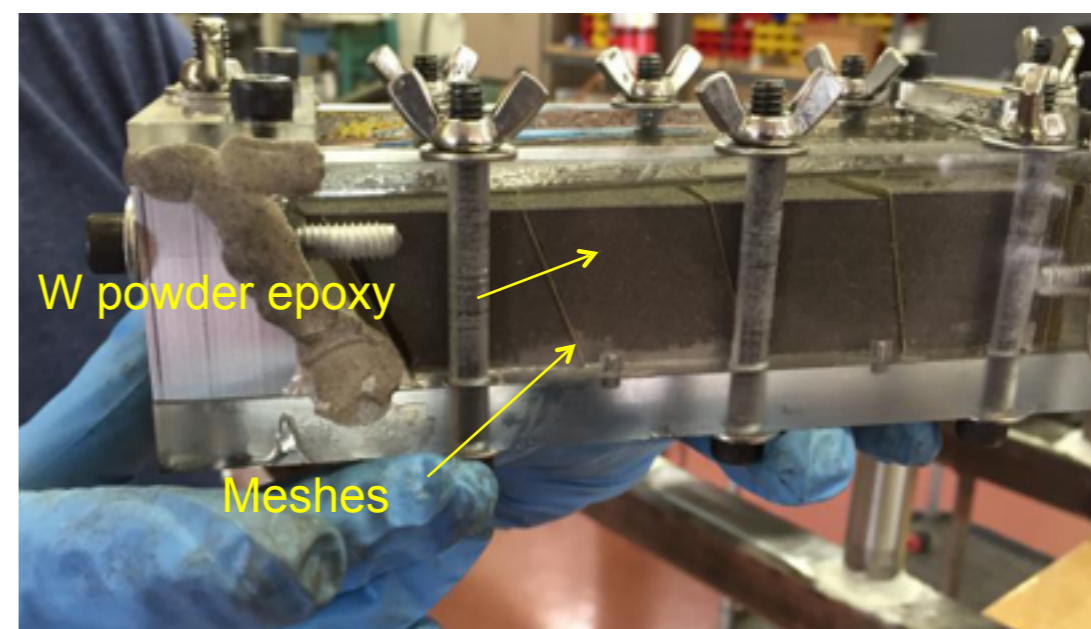
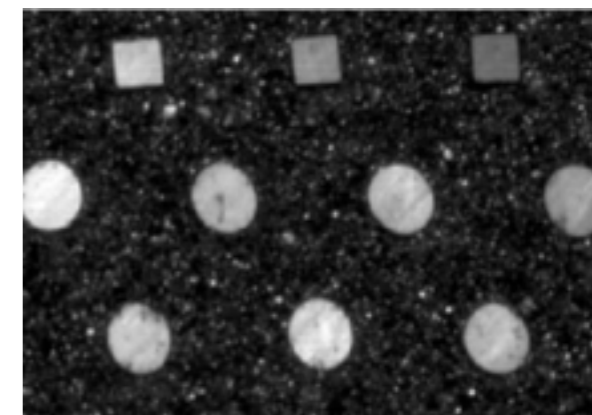
- Matrix of tungsten powder and epoxy with embedded scintillating fibers
- Density $\sim 10 \text{ g/cm}^3$
- $X_0 \sim 7 \text{ mm}$ (18 X_0 total), $R_M \sim 2.3 \text{ cm}$
- Energy resolution $\sim 12\%/\sqrt{E}$

Scintillating fibers (Kuraray SCSF78)

- Diameter: 0.47 mm, Spacing: 1 mm
- Sampling Fraction $\sim 2.3 \%$

- Modules are formed by pouring tungsten powder and epoxy into a mold containing an array of scintillating fibers
- Fibers are held in position with metal meshes spaced along the module

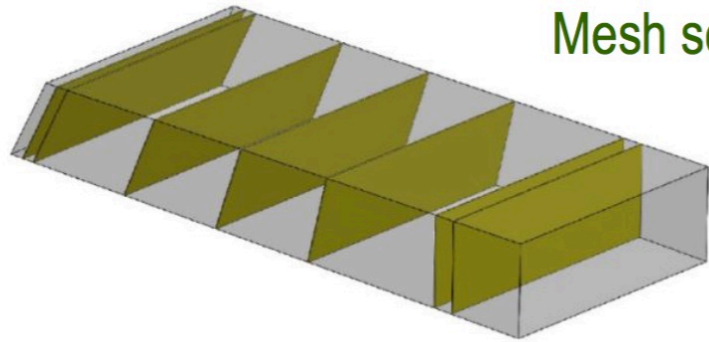
Powder supplier



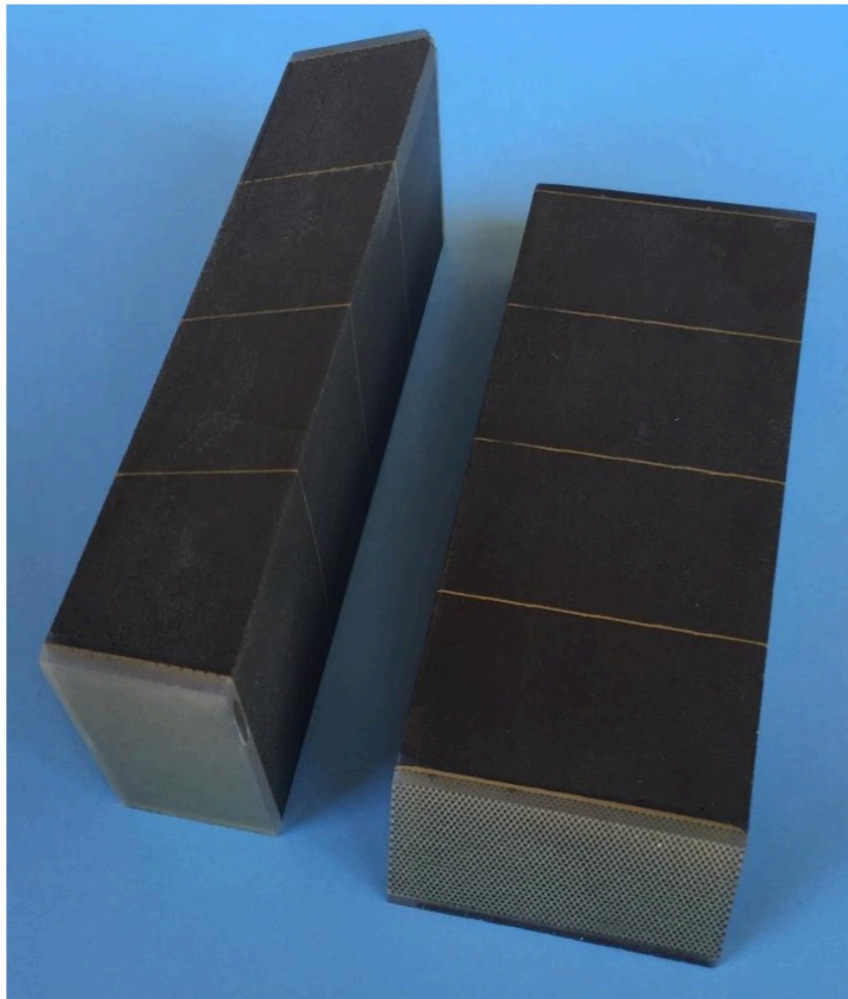
EMCal Modules

1D Projective

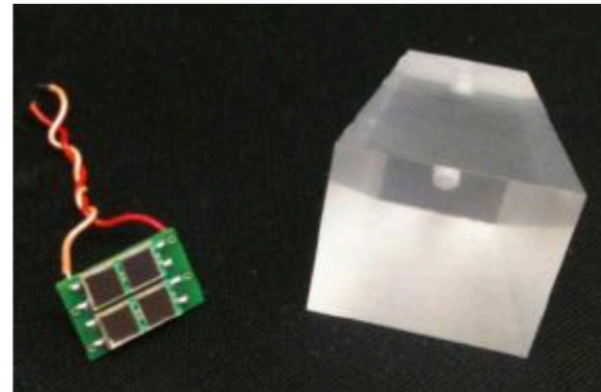
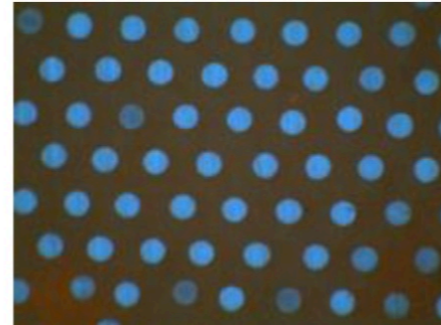
Mesh screens



Produced at UCLA, BNL, UIUC and THP



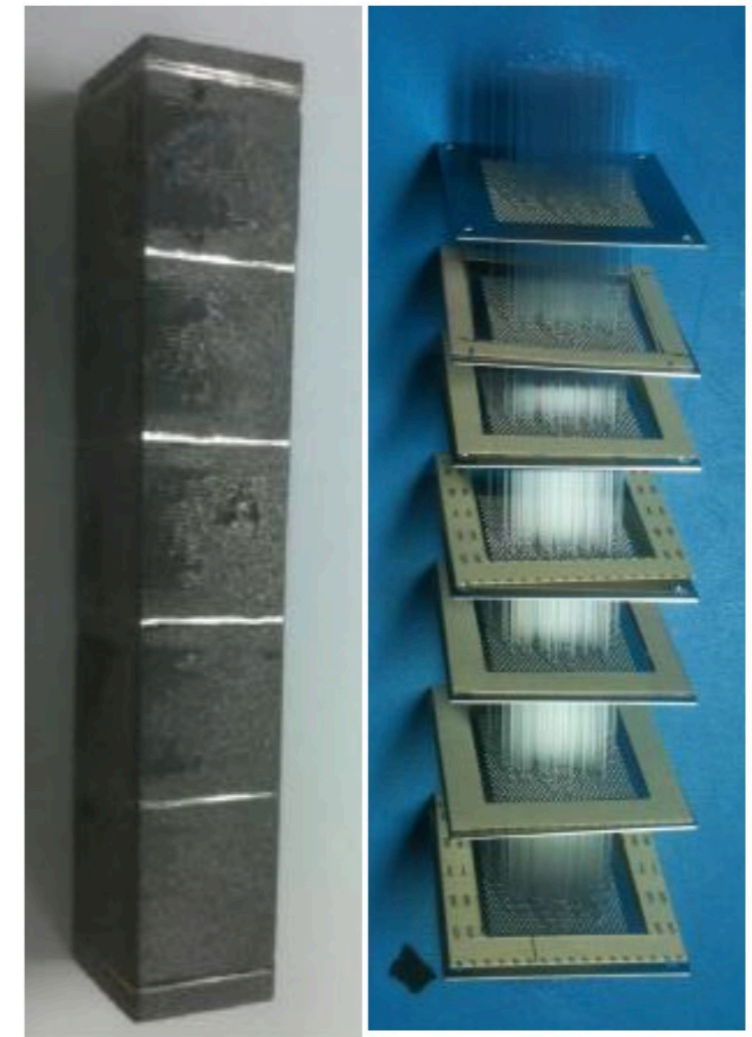
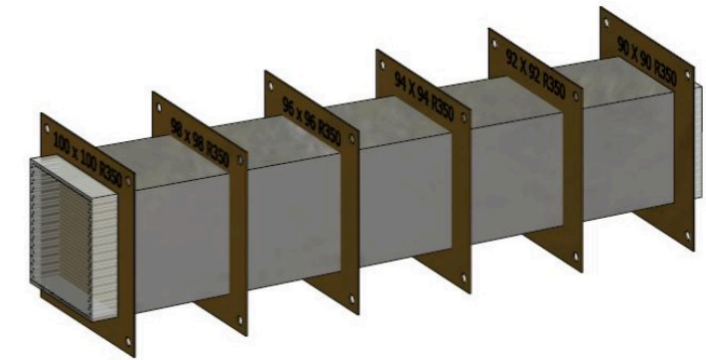
Fiber ends are finished by
with fly cutting



Light guides and SiPMs are
attached to module ends to
form towers



2D Projective



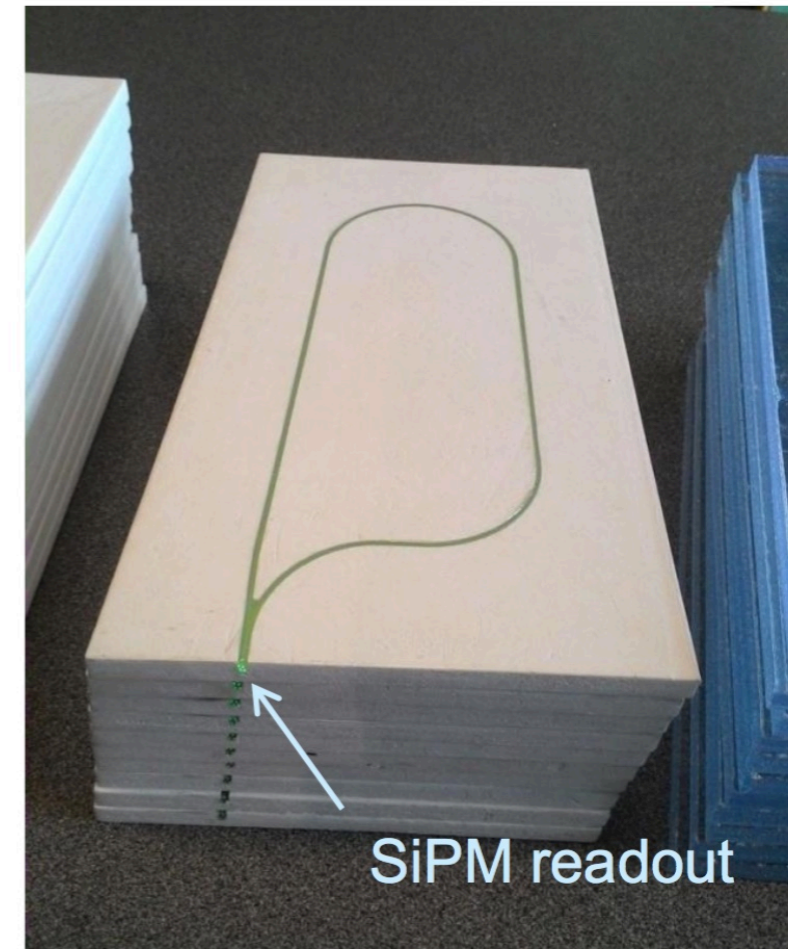
Cal Prototype for FNAL test-beam

Inner and Outer HCAL prototypes each consist of 4 x 4 towers

- Inner: $\sim 0.5 \text{ m}^2$ (56 x 94 cm²)
- Outer: $\sim 1.2 \text{ m}^2$ (74 x 165 cm²)



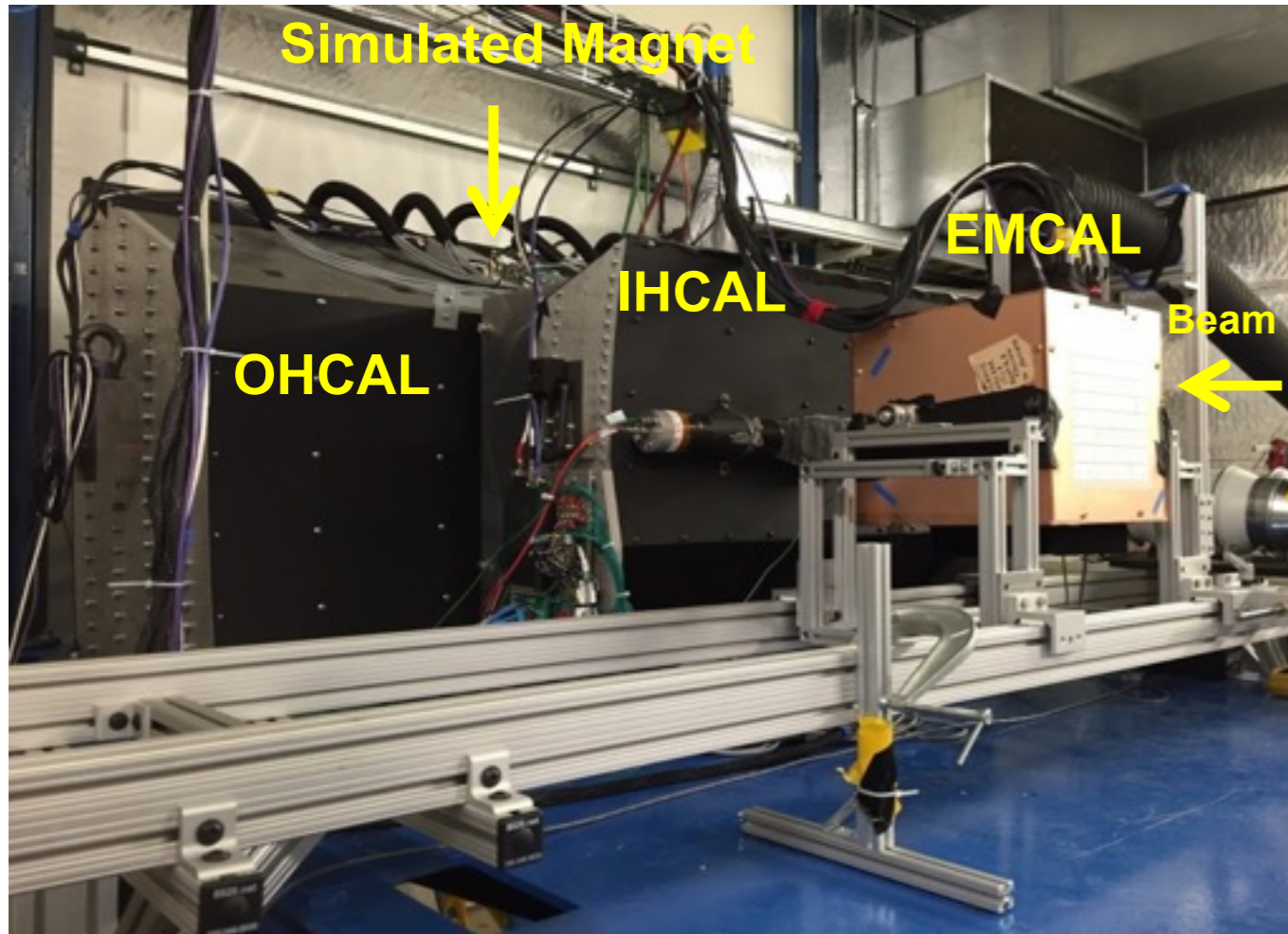
Outer HCAL prototype with assembled steel plates and readout electronics



Polystyrene scintillating tiles (7 mm) with WLS fiber (1 mm) in groove. One SiPM reads out both ends of fiber. SiPMs from 5 tiles summed together to form one tower

Test Setup at Fermilab

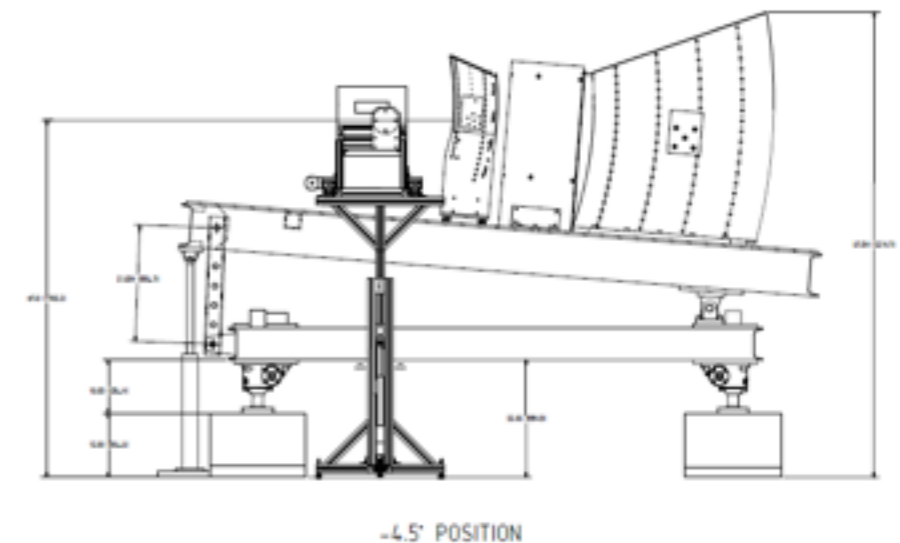
All three prototype calorimeters in the beam line at Fermilab



Three calorimeters in their sPHENIX configuration

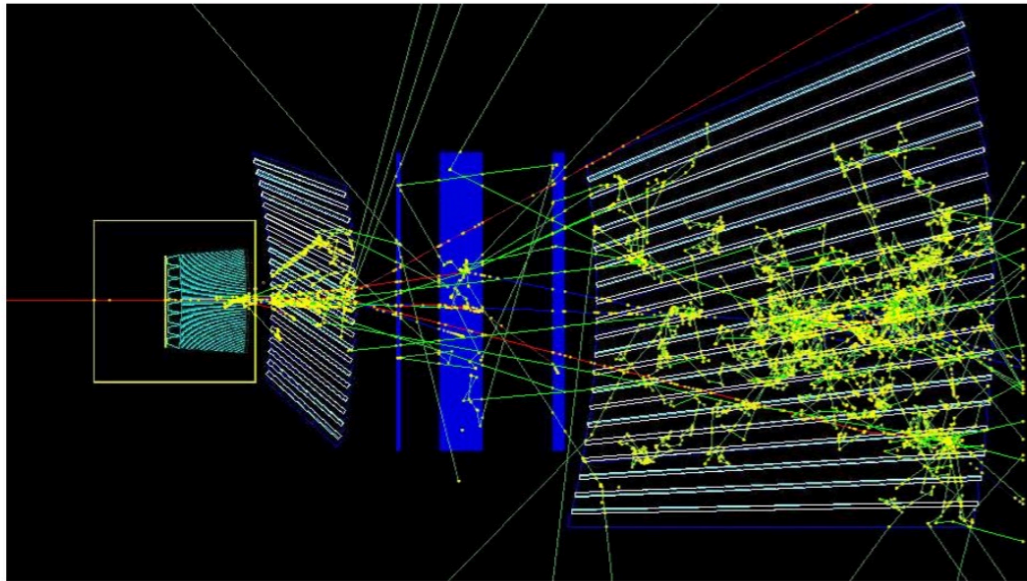
Measured at three tilt angle positions ($0, \pm 4.5^\circ$)

beams with different particle compositions from 1-120 GeV/c

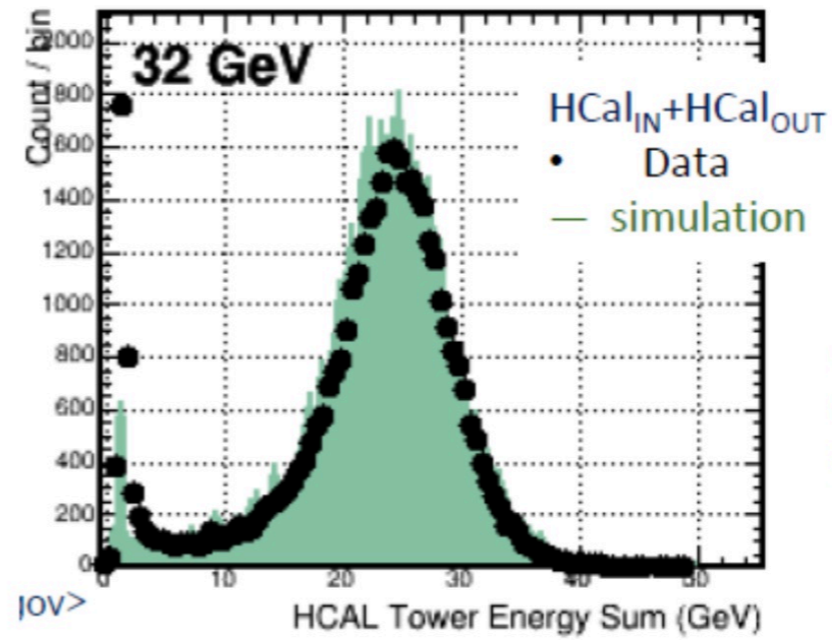


simulation

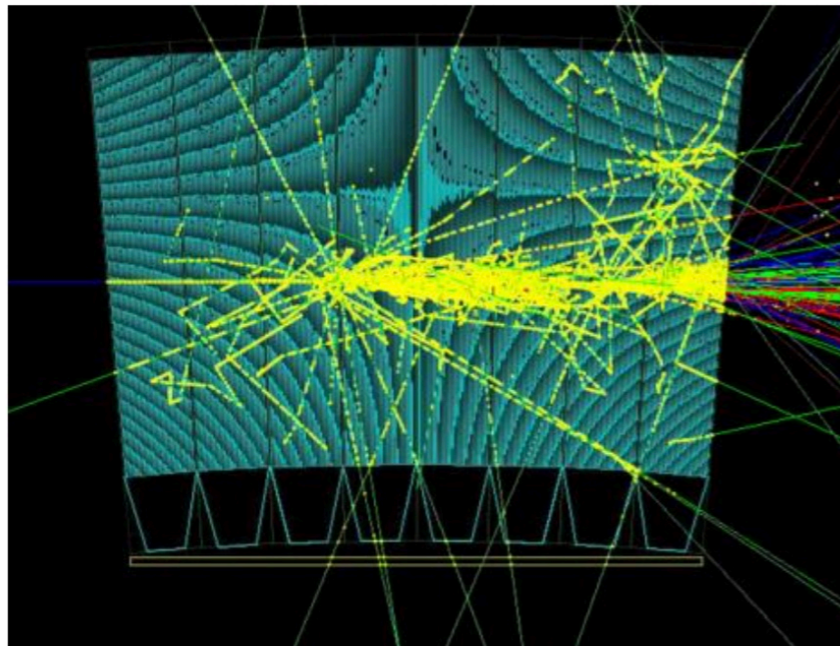
Entire test beam setup was simulated in GEANT4



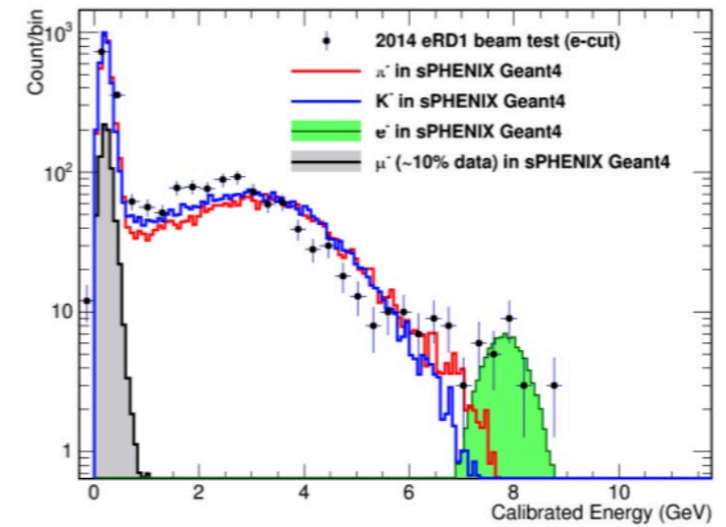
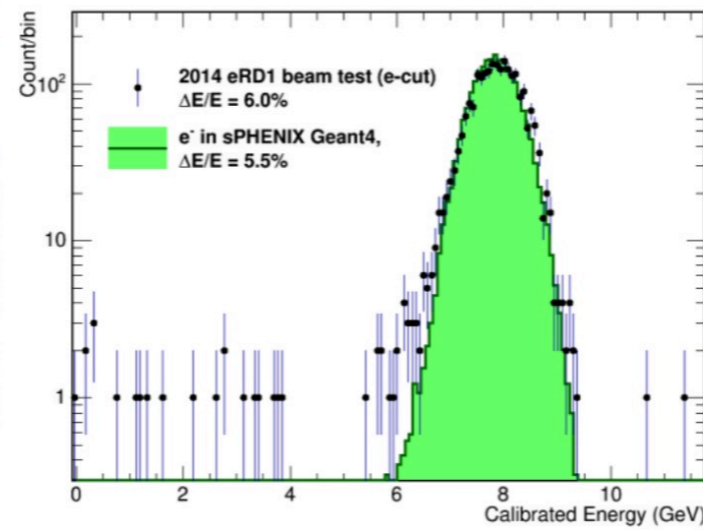
Hadronic shower in 3 calorimeters



Comparison of IHCAL+
OHCAL line shape with
simulation



Hadron entering EMCAL in "nose down" position



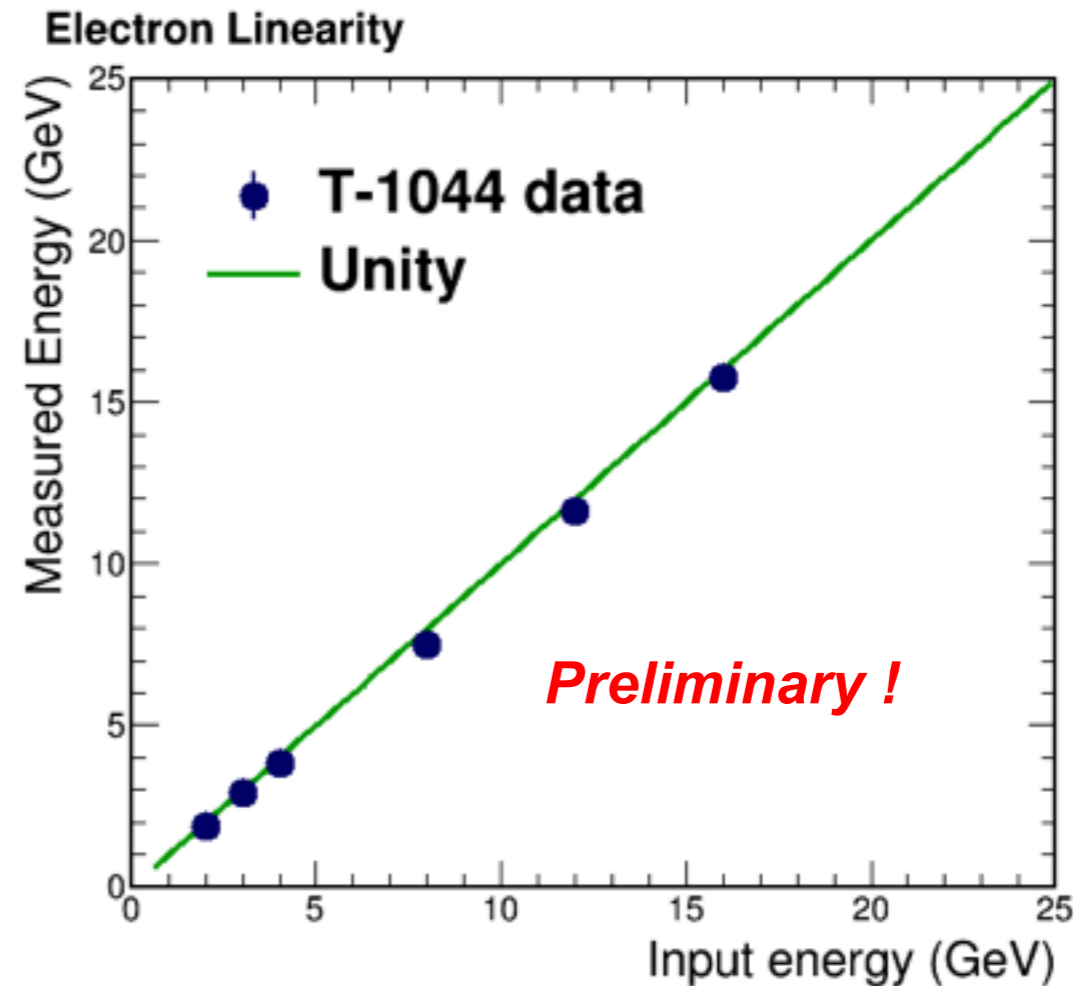
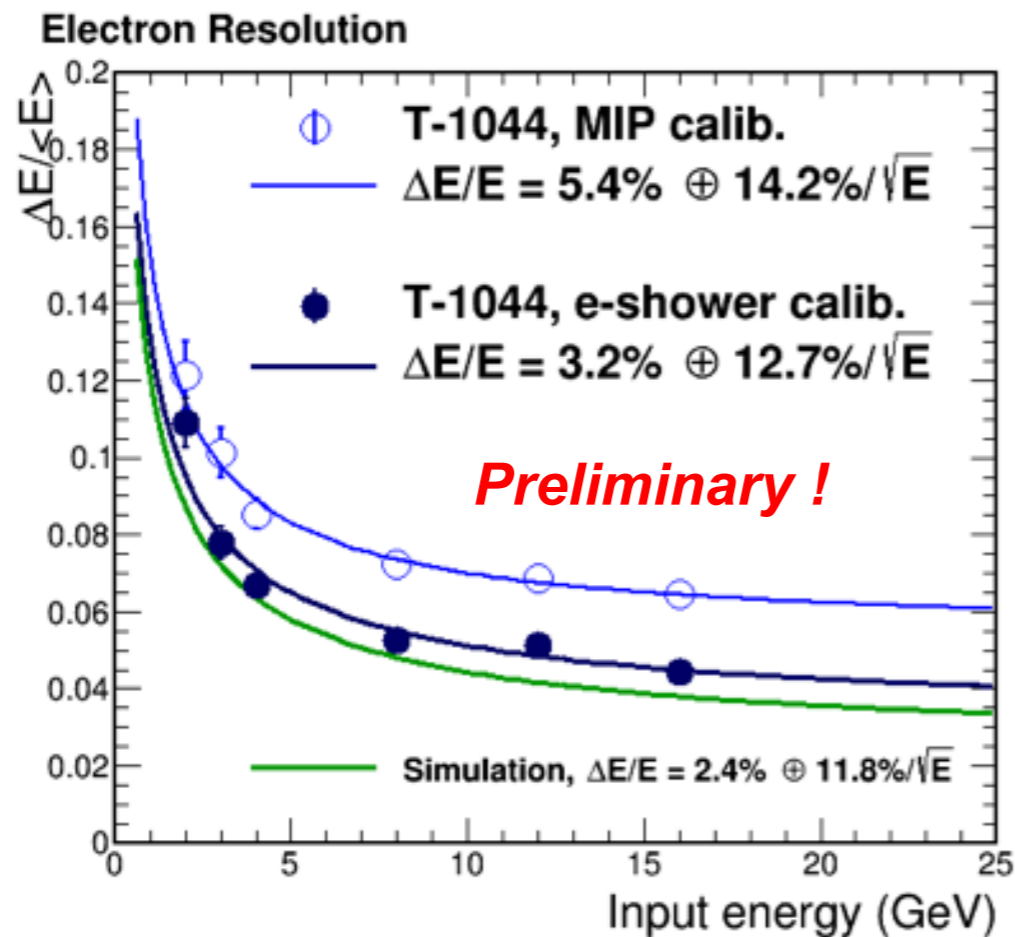
Comparison of EM and hadronic showers in EMCAL prototype
with eR1 test beam data

EMCAL Energy Resolution and Linearity

Electrons selected using beam Cherenkovs

(Also require hodoscope hit + no veto hit)

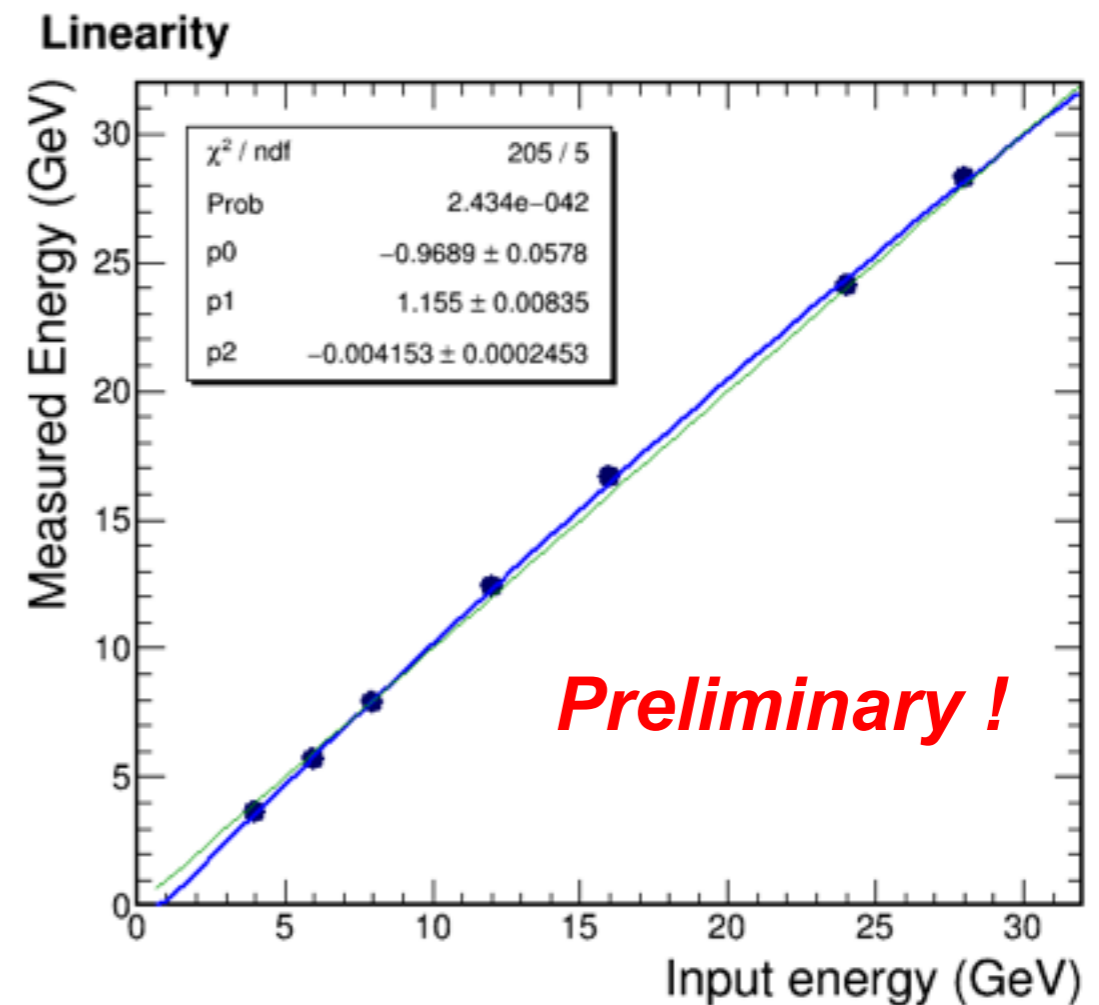
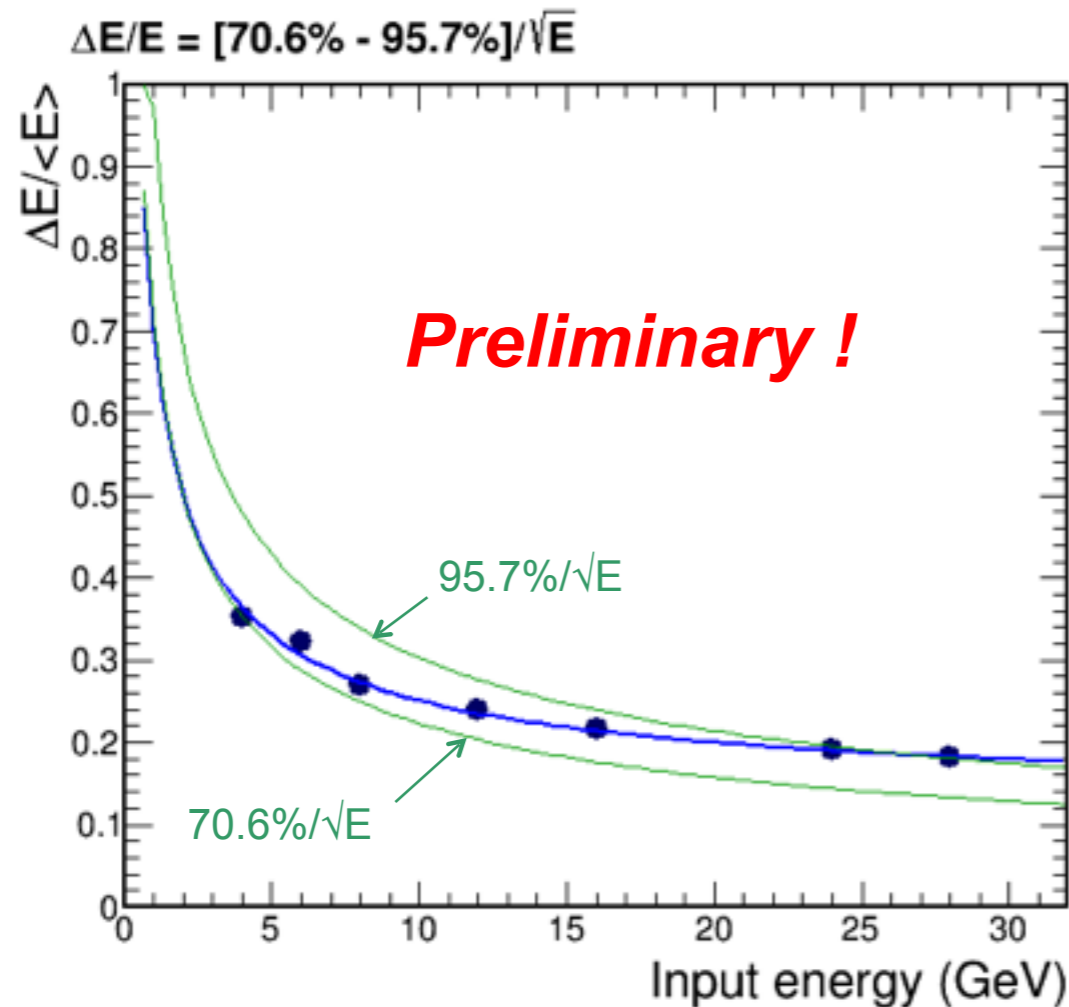
Beam momentum spread of $\sim 2\%$ **not** unfolded



First pass MIP calibration already meets our design goal

Improvement using optimized tower to tower calibration using electron showers

Combined EMCAL + HCAL Energy Resolution and Linearity



- Two component fit gives $\sim 70\text{-}80\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus \sim 10\text{-}15\%$
- Calibration done using muons
- Final calibration is still work in progress, but first results already show that we are able to meet our design goal $< 100\%/\sqrt{E}$

Summary

- A new upgraded detector, currently called sPHENIX, is being proposed for RHIC.
- Purpose is to do a systematic study of the QGP around the region of the critical temperature using full calorimetry measurements of jets at central rapidity and a high resolution measurement of the three upsilon states.
- The calorimeter system will consist of a compact W/SciFi EMCAL and a steel plate scintillating tile hadronic calorimeter divided in two sections.
- Prototypes of all three calorimeters have been built and tested in a month long test beam run at Fermilab which just ended. Another test planned for next year.
- A large collection of data was taken and is currently being analyzed but the preliminary analysis results indicate that all three detectors will meet the design goals of the new experiment.
- Looking forward for some exciting new results !