



# Design and optimization of a MPGD-based HCAL for a future experiment at Muon Collider

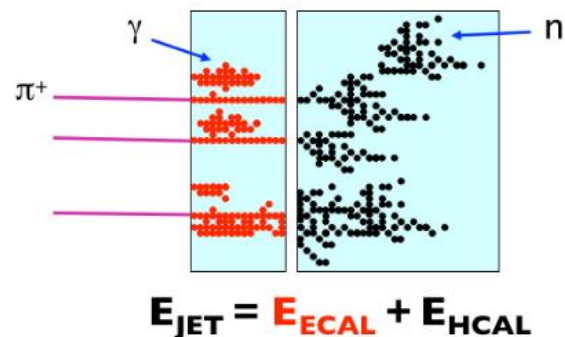
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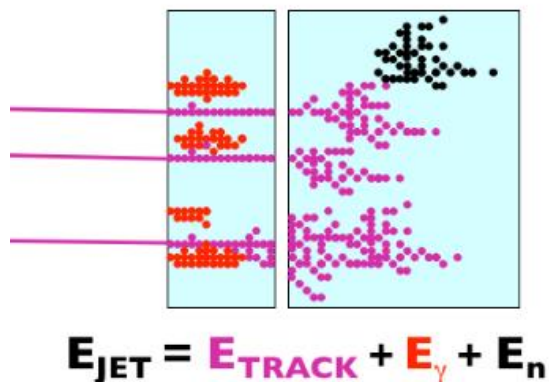
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# Motivation: Particle-Flow Calorimetry



## Traditional approach

- Jet reconstructed as a whole
- Energy measured combining ECAL + HCAL
- $\sim 70\%$  of jet energy measured in HCAL with relatively low resolution ( $<60\%$ )



## Particle Flow approach

- Reconstruct individual particles of the jets
- Exploit the most accurate subdetector system
- $\sim 10\%$  of jet-energy carried by long-lived neutral hadrons is measured in HCAL

Requirements for future colliders:

- Jet energy resolution:  
 $\sigma_E/E < 3.5\%$
- **High granularity**

Requirements for HCAL

- **Separate** neutral from charge hadrons  $\rightarrow$  **high transverse and longitudinal granularity**

# HCAL for Muon Collider experiment

## Muon collider

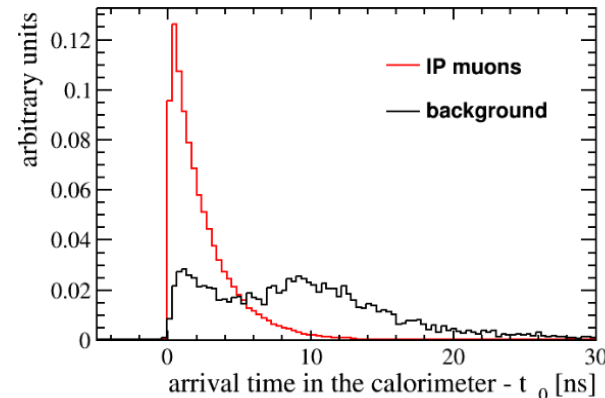
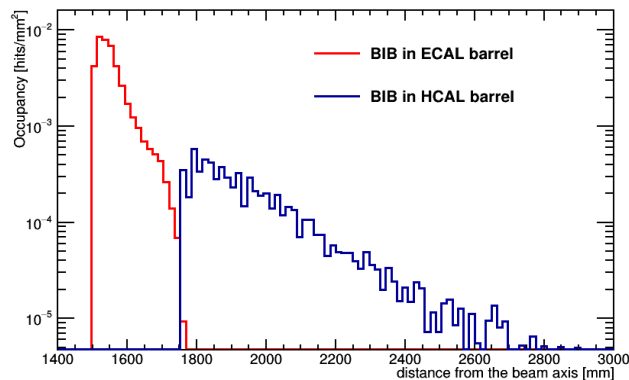
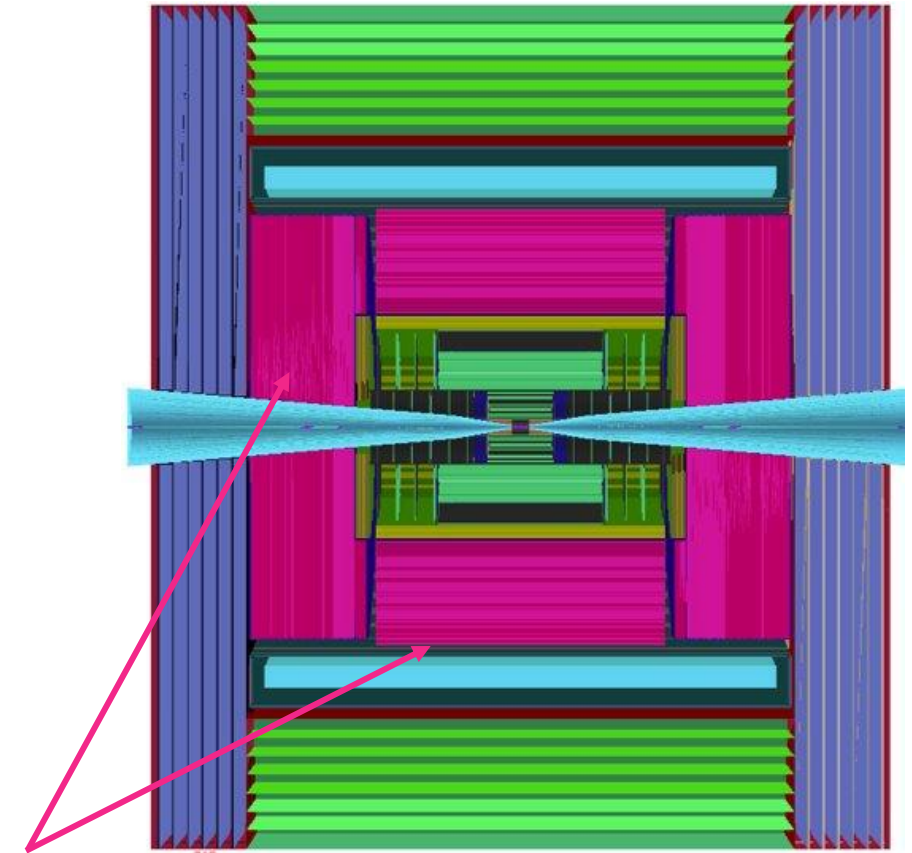
### Advantages:

- multi-TeV energy range in **compact circular** machines;
- well **defined initial state** and **cleaner final state**;
- all **collision energy available** in the hard-scattering process.

### Challenges:

- muon is an unstable particle; its decay products interact with the machine elements generating an intense flux  $O(10^{10})$  of background particles: **beam-induced background (BIB)**.

Section of the Muon Collider experiment



### Hadronic Calorimeter

Requirements for BIB suppression:

- Radiation hard technology
- Fine granularity
- High time resolution (ns)

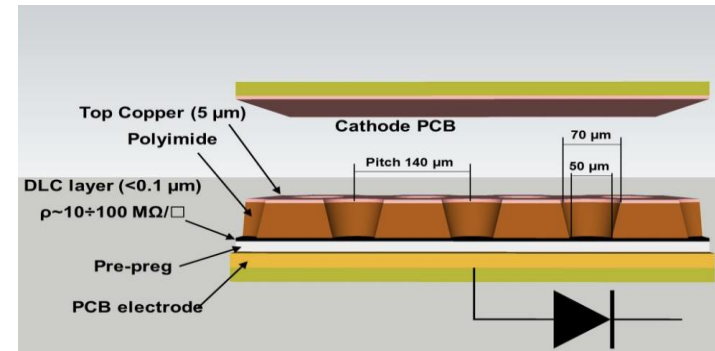
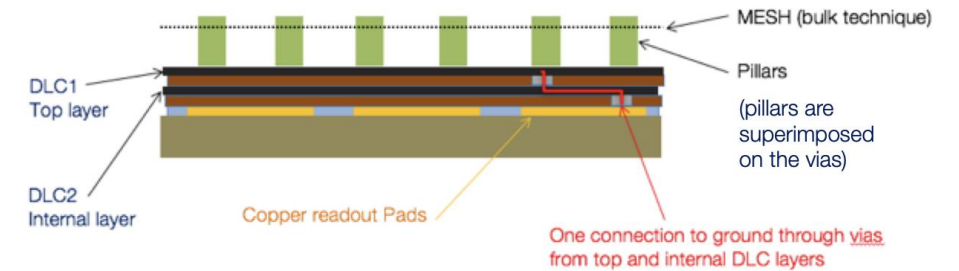
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# MPGD-HCAL for Muon Collider

## Why MPGDs for calorimeters?

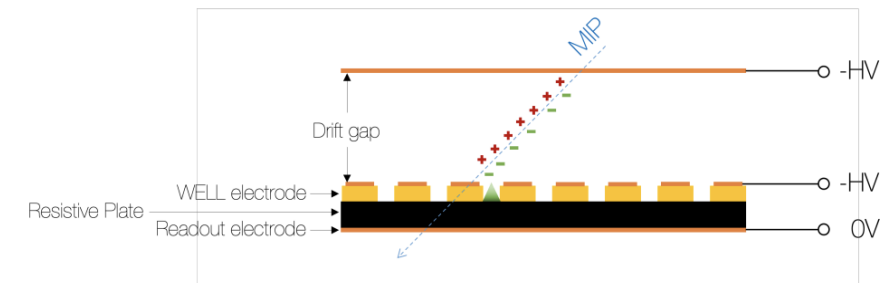
- Fine granularity
- Radiation hardness
- High rate-capability  $O(\text{MHz}/\text{cm}^2)$
- Flexible space resolution ( $> 60 \mu\text{m}$ )
- Response uniformity
- Cheap for large area instrumentation

MicroMegas



$\mu\text{RWELL}$

RPWELL



# GEANT4 Simulation

# G4 Simulation – Shower containment

## Implemented geometry

- Sampling calorimeter made of
  - 2 cm for the **absorber** (iron)
  - 5 mm of **active layer** (Ar/CO<sub>2</sub>)
  - Cells of granularity ( 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup> and 3x3 cm<sup>2</sup>)

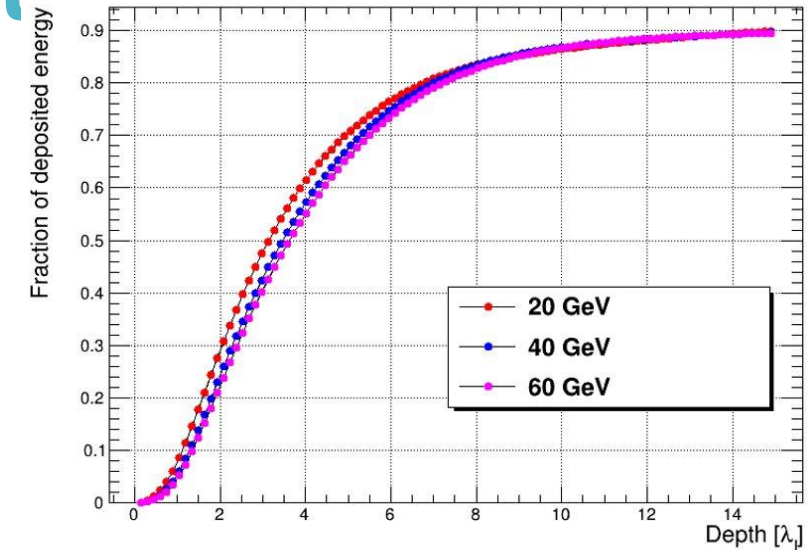
$\pi^-$   
1 – 60 GeV



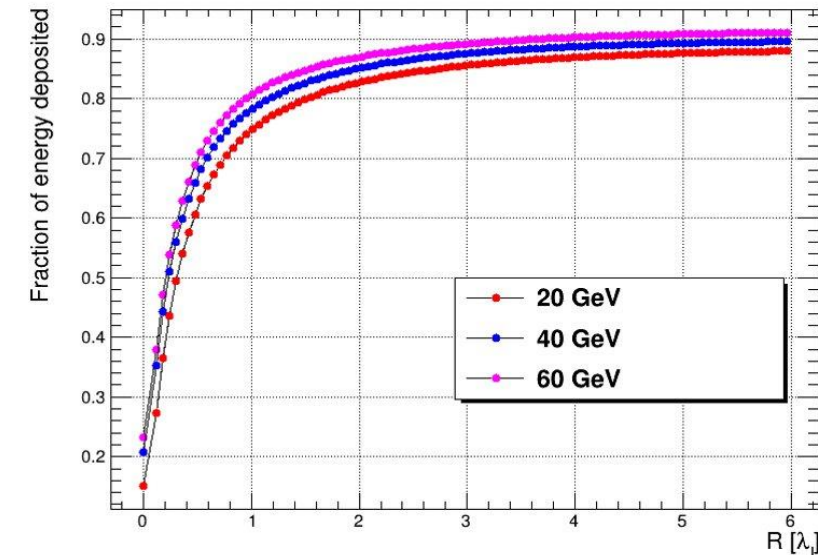
Energy contained at 90% within

- 14  $\lambda_N$  in the direction of the incoming  $\pi$
- 3  $\lambda_N$  in the orthogonal direction

Longitudinal shower containment



Trasversal shower containment

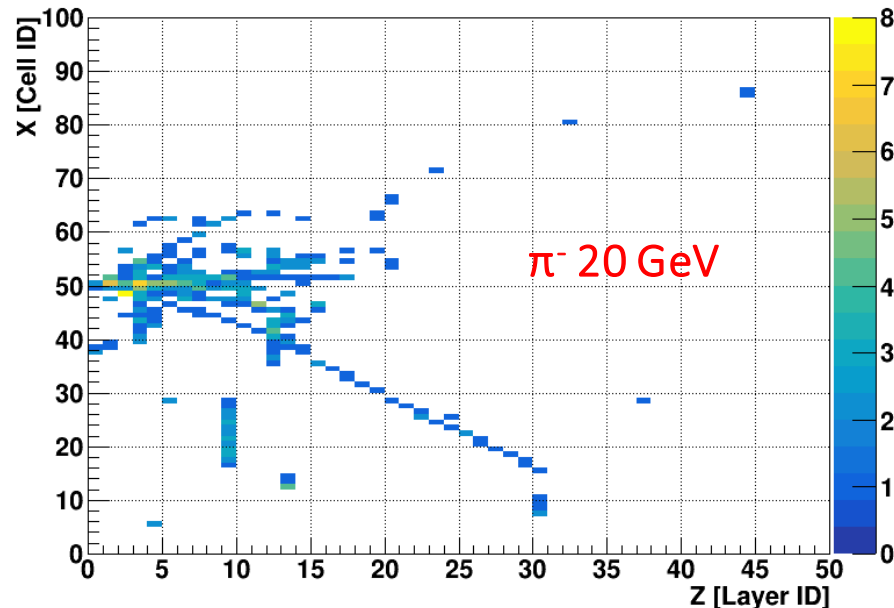


# G4 Simulation – DHCAL and SDHCAL readout

## DIGITAL HCAL

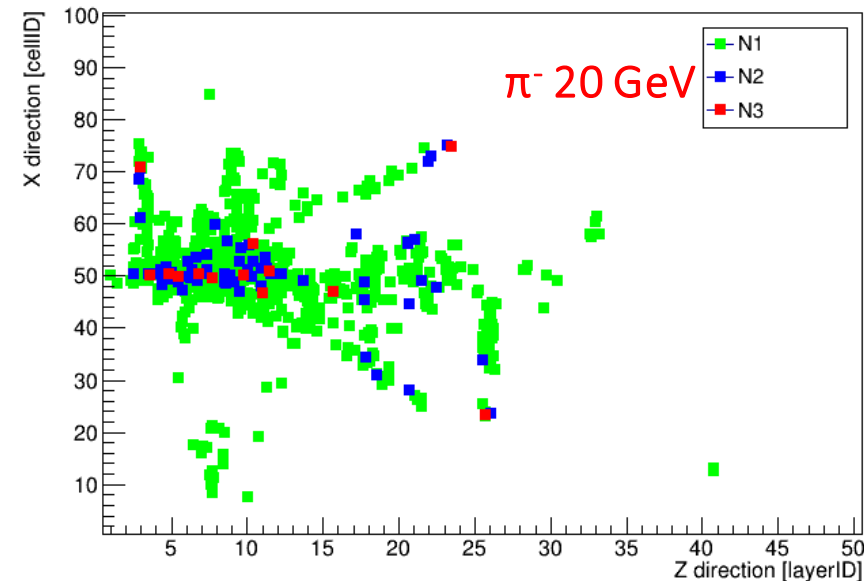
**Digitization:** 1 hit --> 1cell with energy deposit higher than the applied threshold

- **Calorimeter response function:**  $\langle N_{hit} \rangle = f(E_\pi)$
- **Reconstructed energy:**  $E_\pi = f^{-1}(\langle N_{hit} \rangle)$



## SEMI DIGITAL HCAL

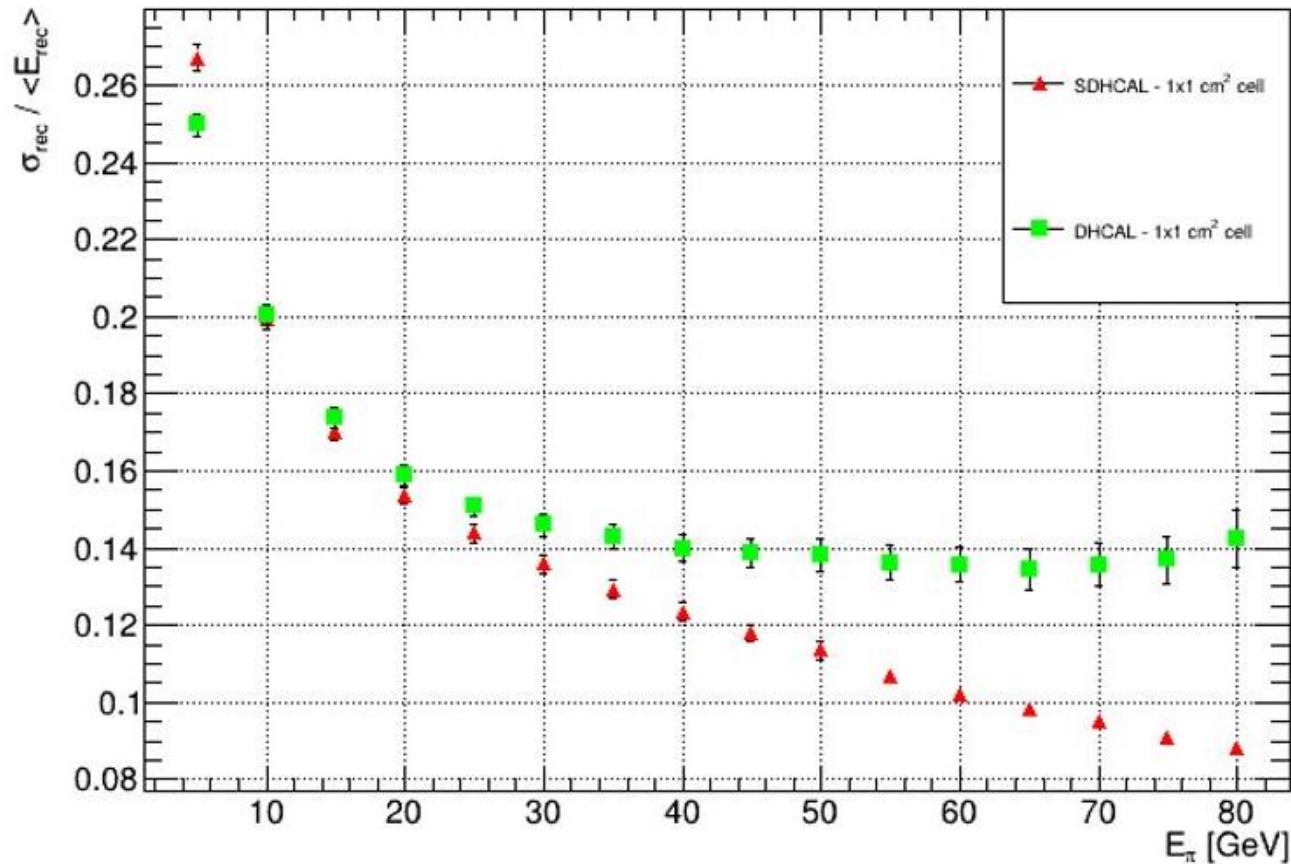
- **Digitization:** defined multiple thresholds
- **Reconstructed energy:**  $E_\pi = \alpha N_1 + \beta N_2 + \gamma N_3$  with:
  - $N_{i=1,2,3}$  number of hits above  $i$ -threshold
  - $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  parameters obtained by  $\chi^2$  minimization procedure





# Energy resolution – DHCAL and SDHCAL comparison

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**DHcal** suffers from **saturation effect** of  $N_{\text{hit}}$  – the only variable used for reconstruction – for  $E_{\pi} > 40$  GeV

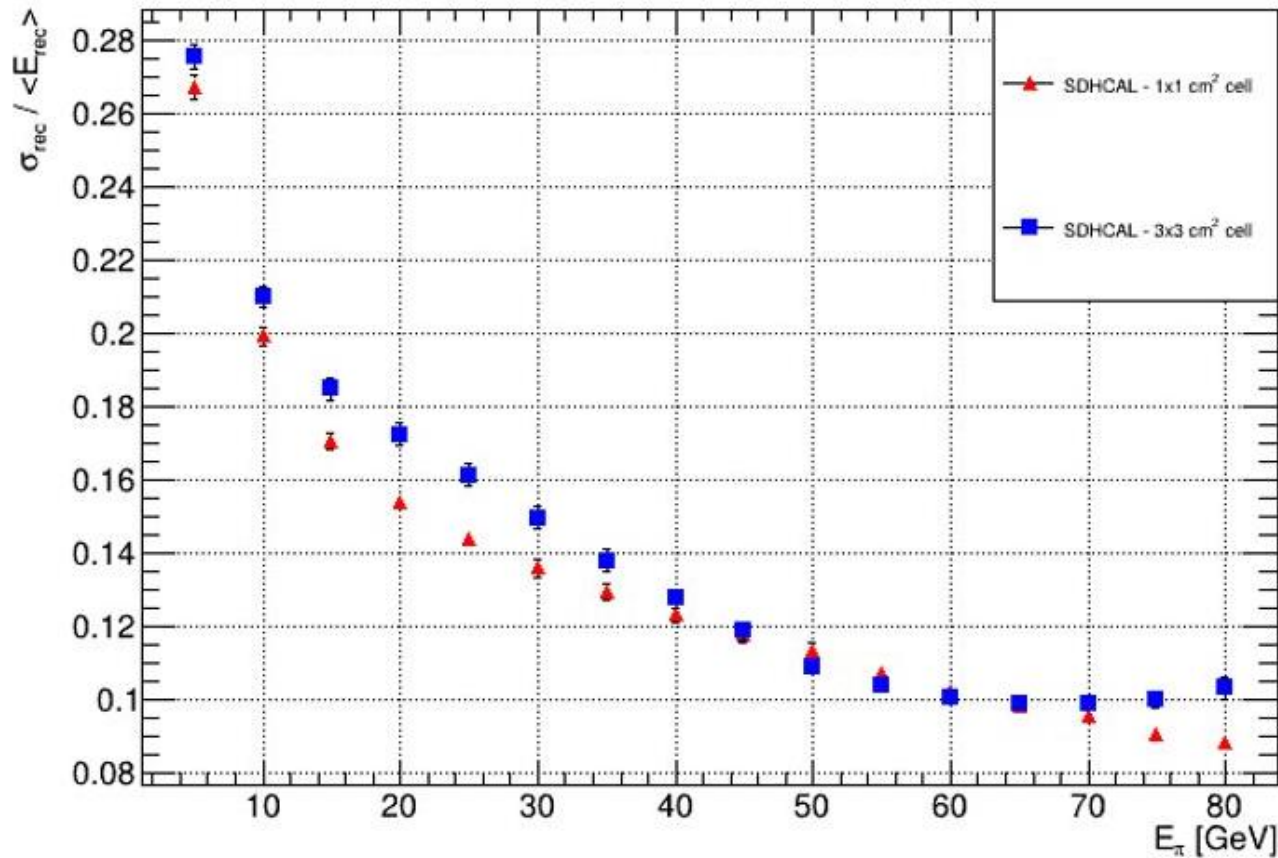
At  $E_{\pi} = 80$  GeV, the resolution

- DHcal  $\sim 14\%$
- SDHcal  $\sim 8\%$



# G4 simulation - SDHcal 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup> – SDHcal 3x3 cm<sup>2</sup>

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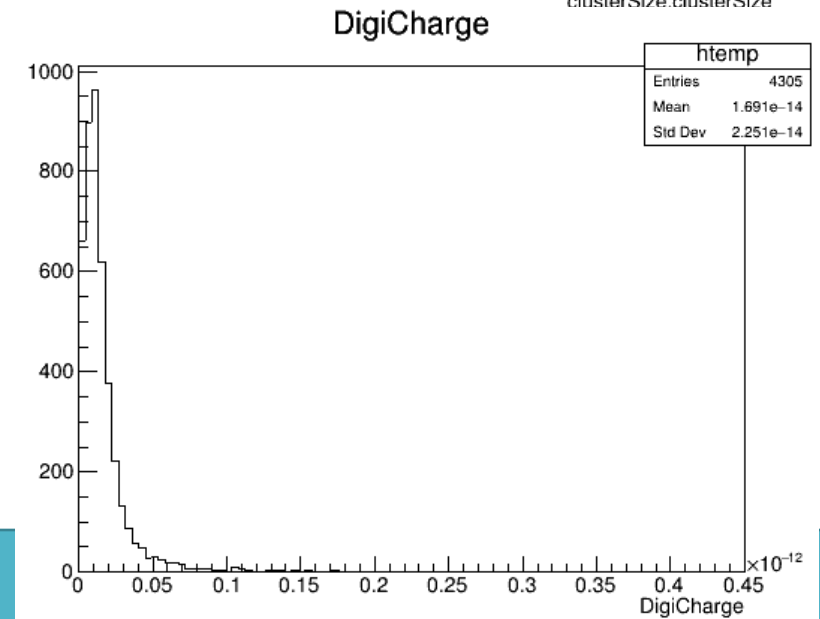
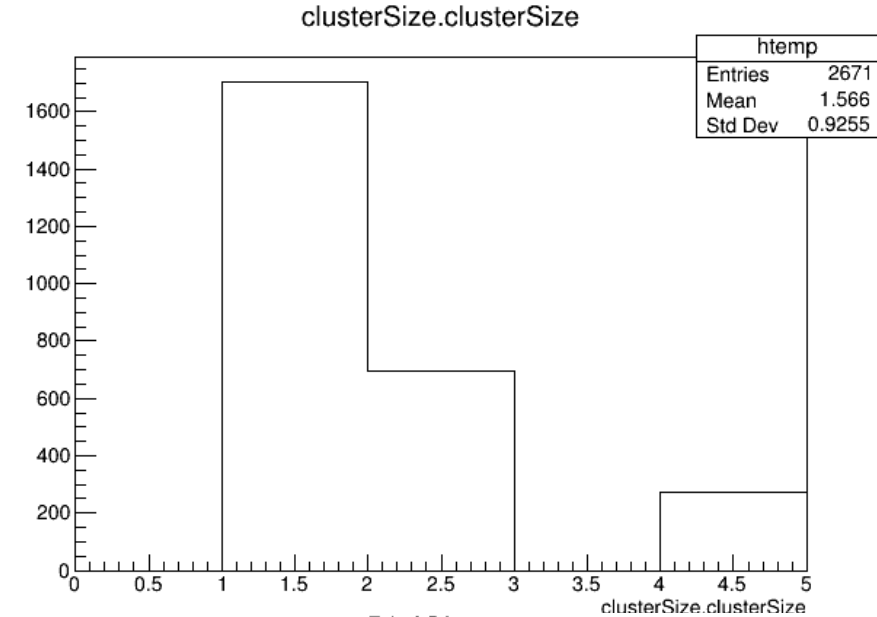
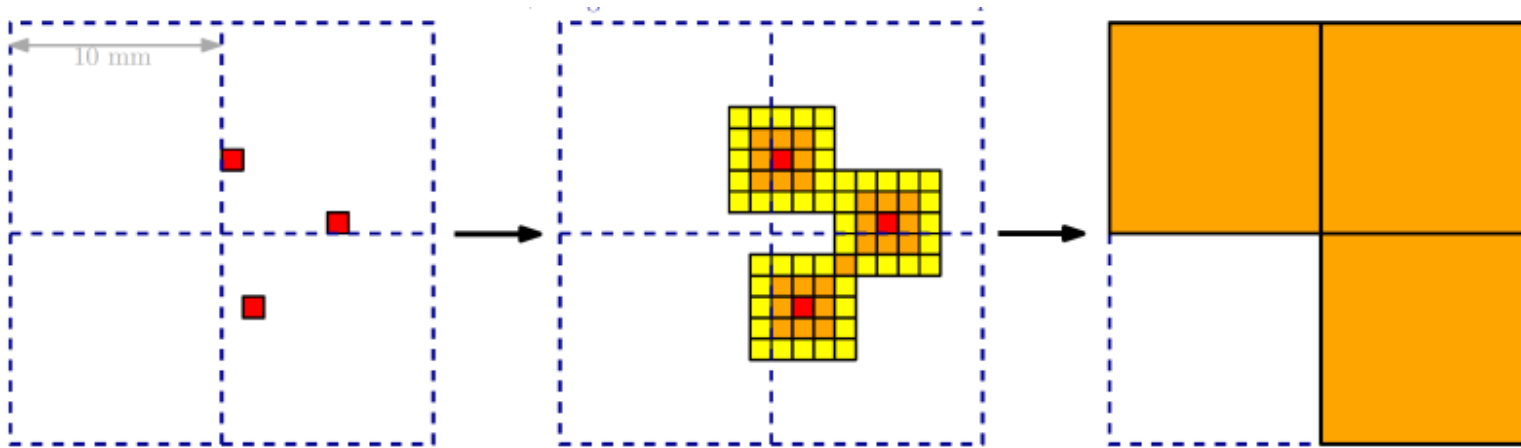
Increasing cell dimensions, the resolution saturates at 60 GeV.

At  $E_{\pi} = 80$  GeV, the resolution

- SDHcal 3x3 cm<sup>2</sup>  $\sim 10\%$
- SDHcal 1x1 cm<sup>2</sup>  $\sim 8\%$

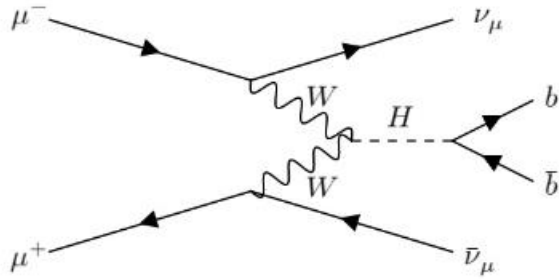
# G4 simulation – Digitization: charge spreading

- Digitalization: simulate detector response in terms of **cluster size** and **efficiency** of the detector
- from (x,y) position of track in the active layer, define a gaussian distribution centered in (x,y) and with sigma related to the measured pad multiplicity
- include in the cluster all the pads in which the gaussian extends
- Assign to each pad a fraction of charge according to the portion of gaussian "occupying" the pad



# Simulation in Muon Collider framework

# MPGD-HCAL at Muon Collider

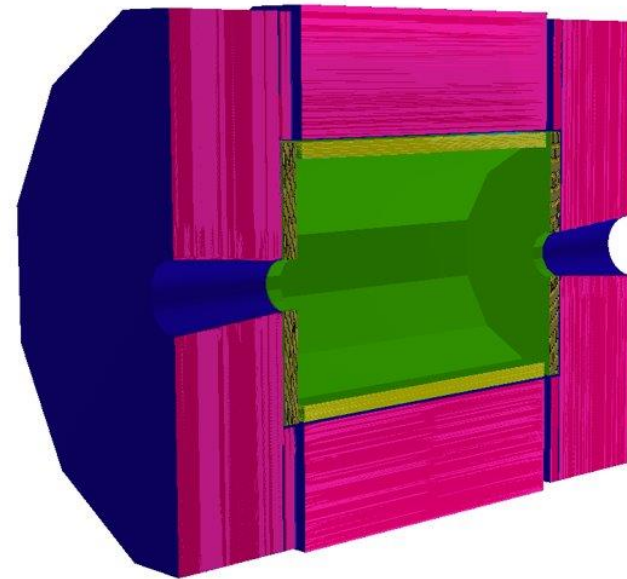


Benchmark process:  $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow H \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow b \bar{b} \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$   
at center of mass energy of 1.5 TeV

- 10k events produced with Pythia
- 100 BIB events
- Signal events simulated in the whole apparatus with BIB superimposed
- Entire event reconstructed
  - For both geometries

## Implemented geometry in MuCol Software

- Sampling calorimeter made of
  - 2 cm thick **absorber**
  - 3 mm thick **active layer**
- Granularity given by cells of size  $3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2$  - Digital RO
- **BASELINE**: Scintillator (Polystyrene) + Steel
- **MPGD Hcal**: Gaseous argon + Iron



# MPGD-HCAL at Muon Collider

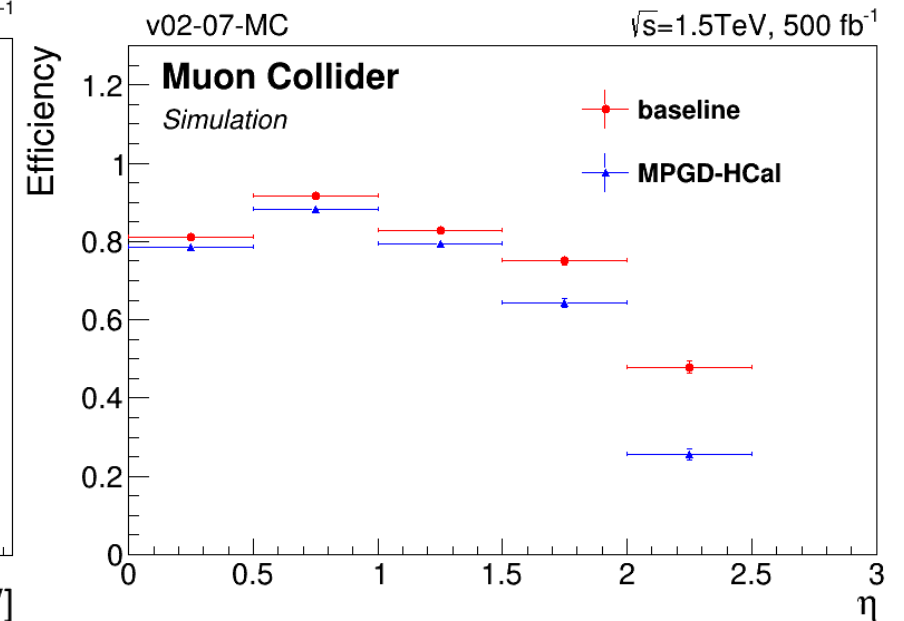
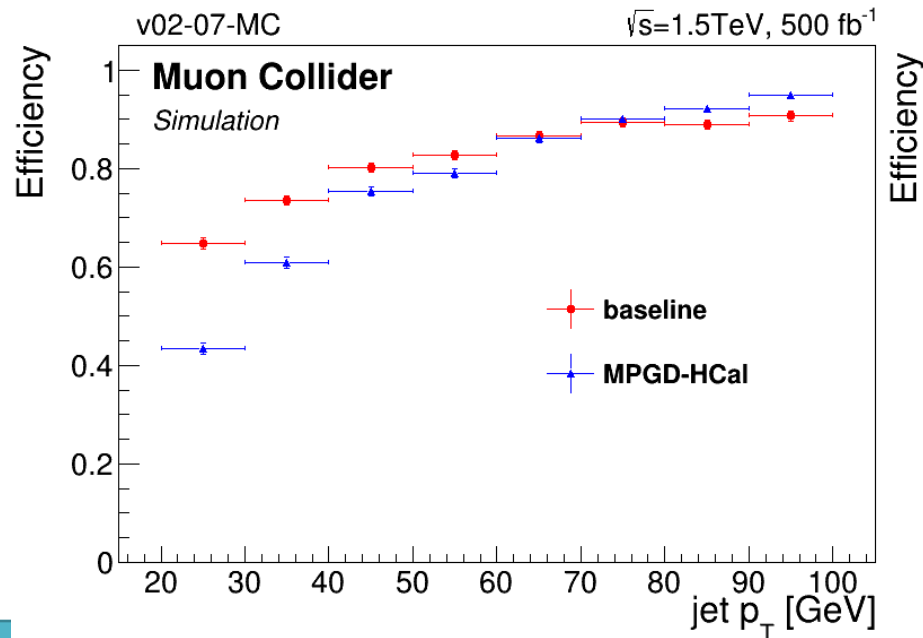
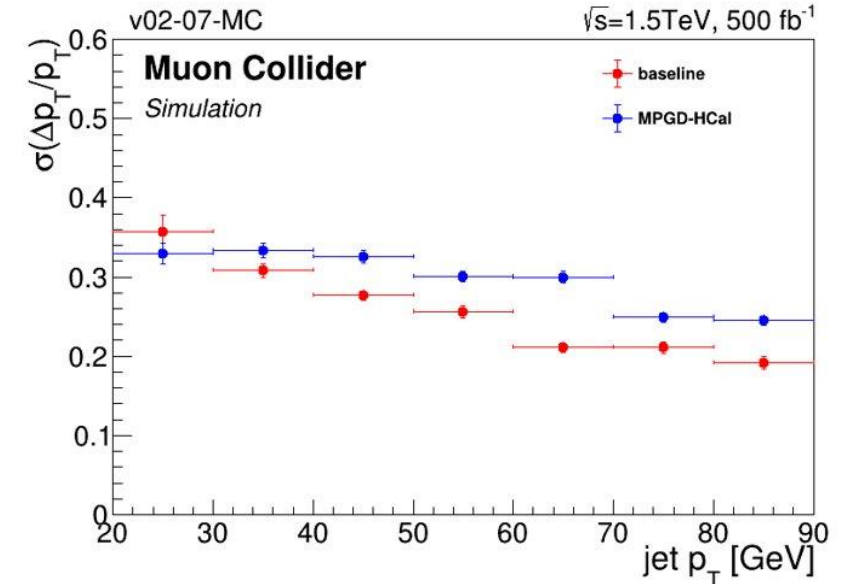
Performances of **MPGD-HCal geometry** in terms of

- Reconstruction efficiency
- Resolution on jet  $p_T$

are **comparable** with the **baseline** (scintillator+ steel).

Studies to be repeated also with cell granularity of 1 cm<sup>2</sup>

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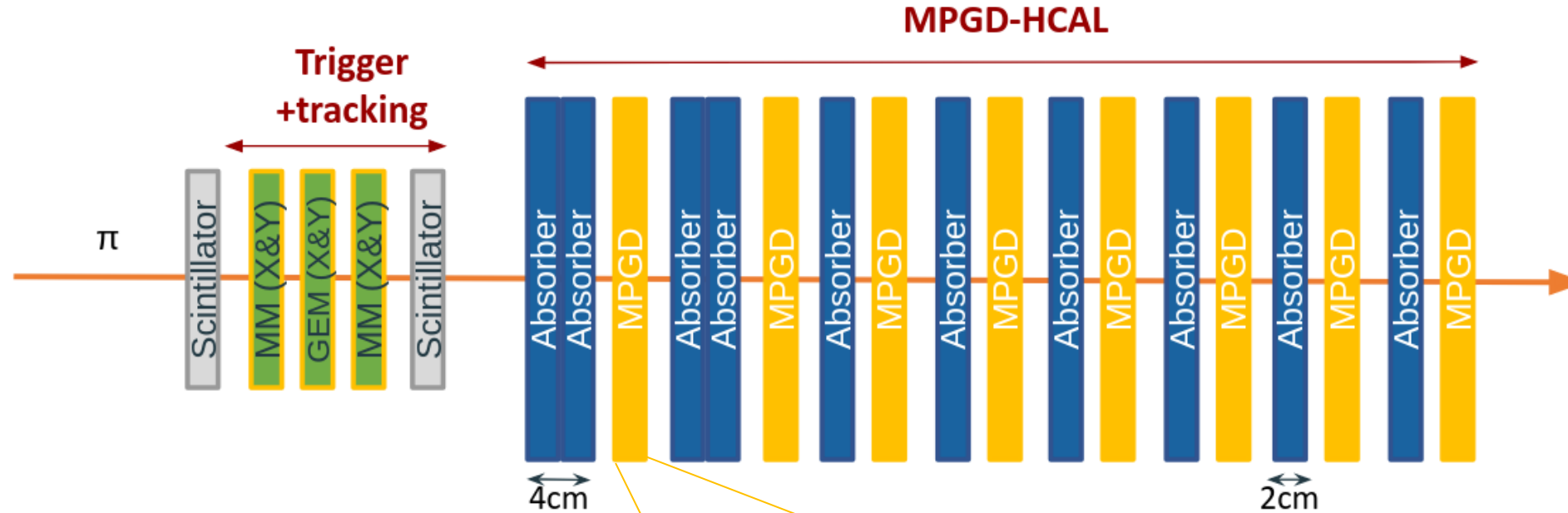
To be understood:  
Drop at low  $p_T$ , high  $\eta$  with  
MPGD based geometry

# MPGD-HCAL prototype

In collaboration with

- INFN Roma 3
- INFN Napoli
- INFN Frascati
- Weizman Institute of Science

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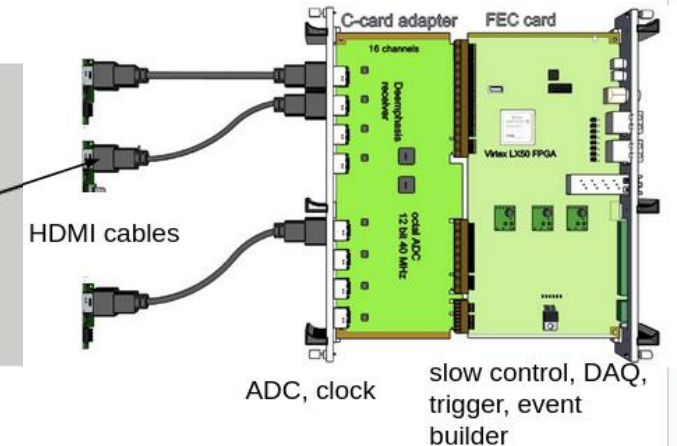
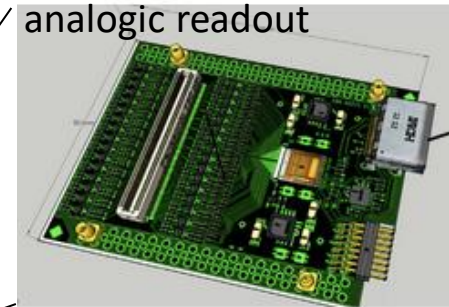


**Two test beam campaigns in 2023 to measure:**

- single MPGD performance (5-19 July)
- HCAL cell performance  $\sim 1\lambda_N$  (30 August - 6 September)



APV25, 128 channels, analogic readout

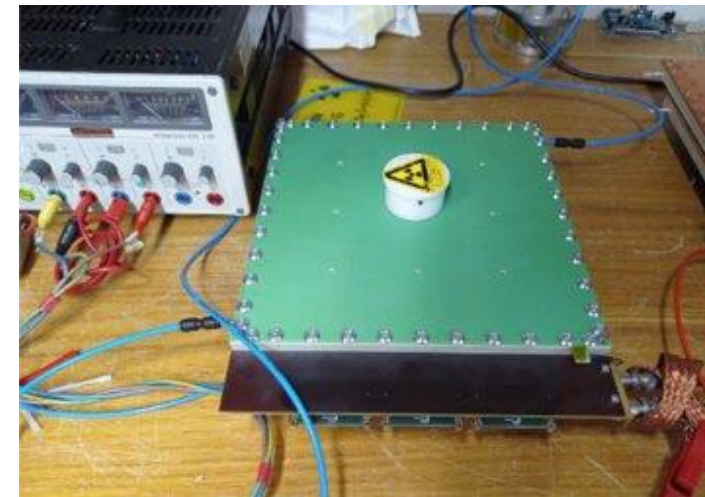
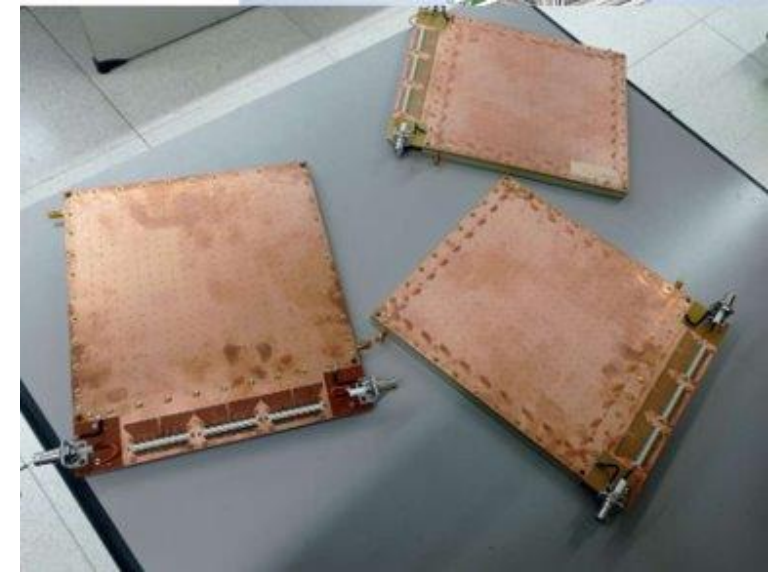
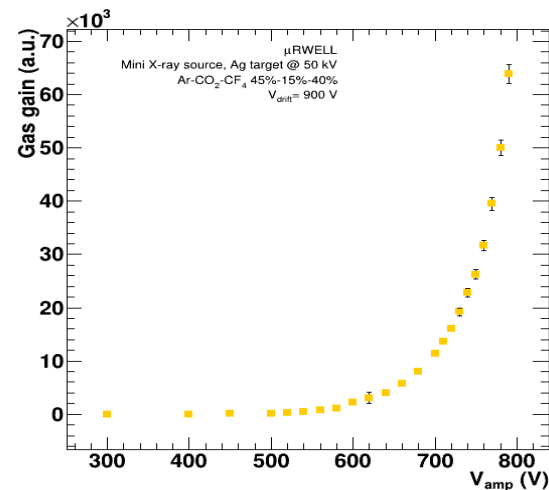
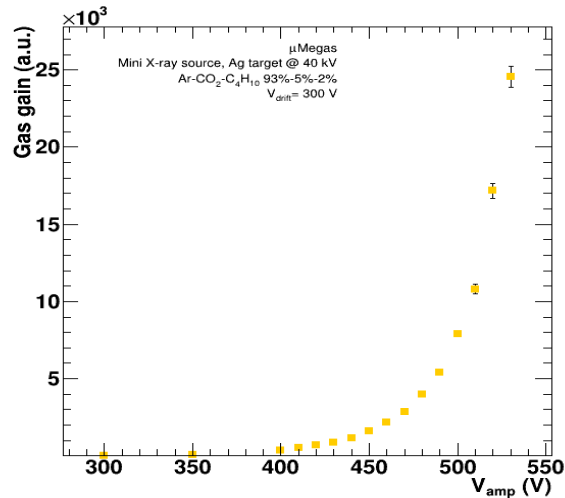




# MPGD-HCAL prototype

- **MPGD total production batch:**
  - 7  $\mu$ RWELL
  - 4 MicroMegas
  - 1 RPWELL
- detector size: 20x20 cm<sup>2</sup>
- pad size: 1cm<sup>2</sup> pad  $\rightarrow$  384 pads
- Common readout board

First characterizations (HV stability & effective gain) performed in all the labs involved in the project



# MPGD-HCAL prototype - July test beam 2023

Preliminary test beam on single detectors at SPS with  $\mu$  beam at 150 GeV to measure:

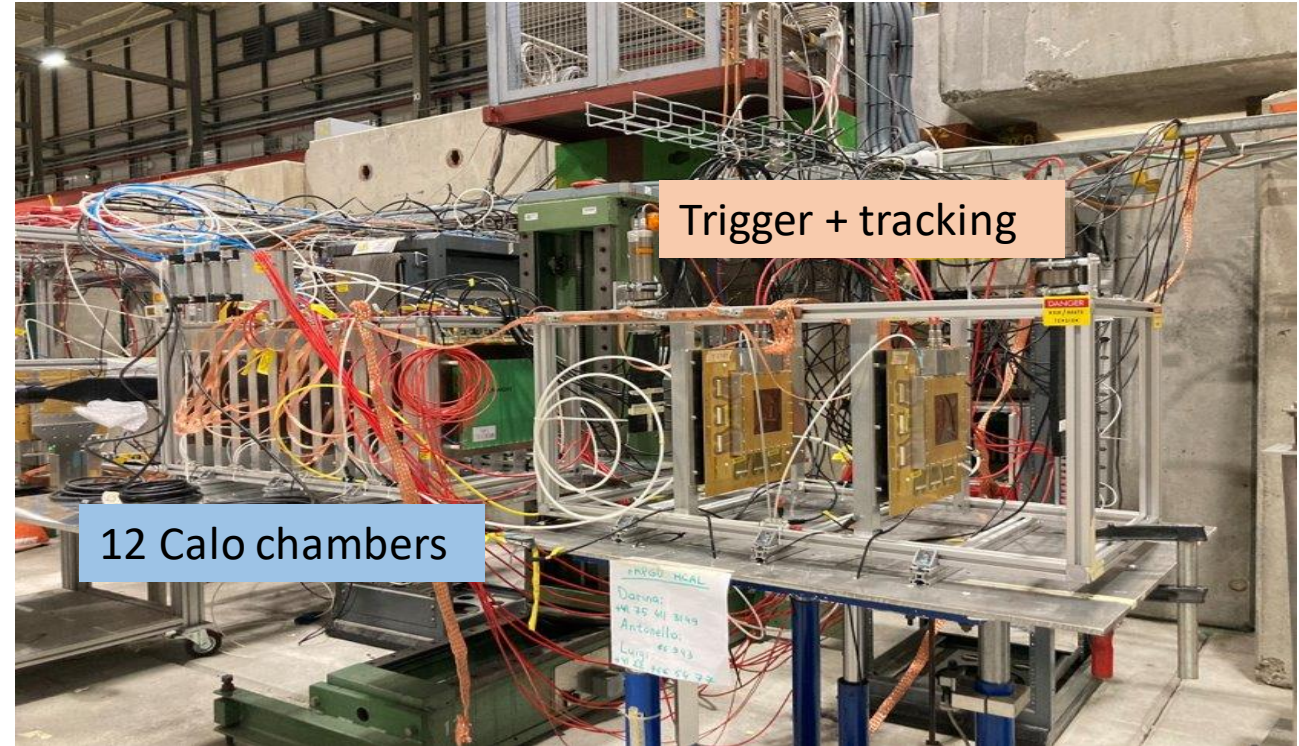
- **Efficiency**
- **Response uniformity**
- **Space resolution**

Data taking

- APVs + SRS (2 FECs) for the DAQ
  - Read 6 chambers + Tmms at a time
- HV scan, XY position scan

Reconstruction

- Tmms temporarily excluded
- Track reconstruction with hits from 5 pad calo-chambers, excluding the one under test



**Calo-chambers**

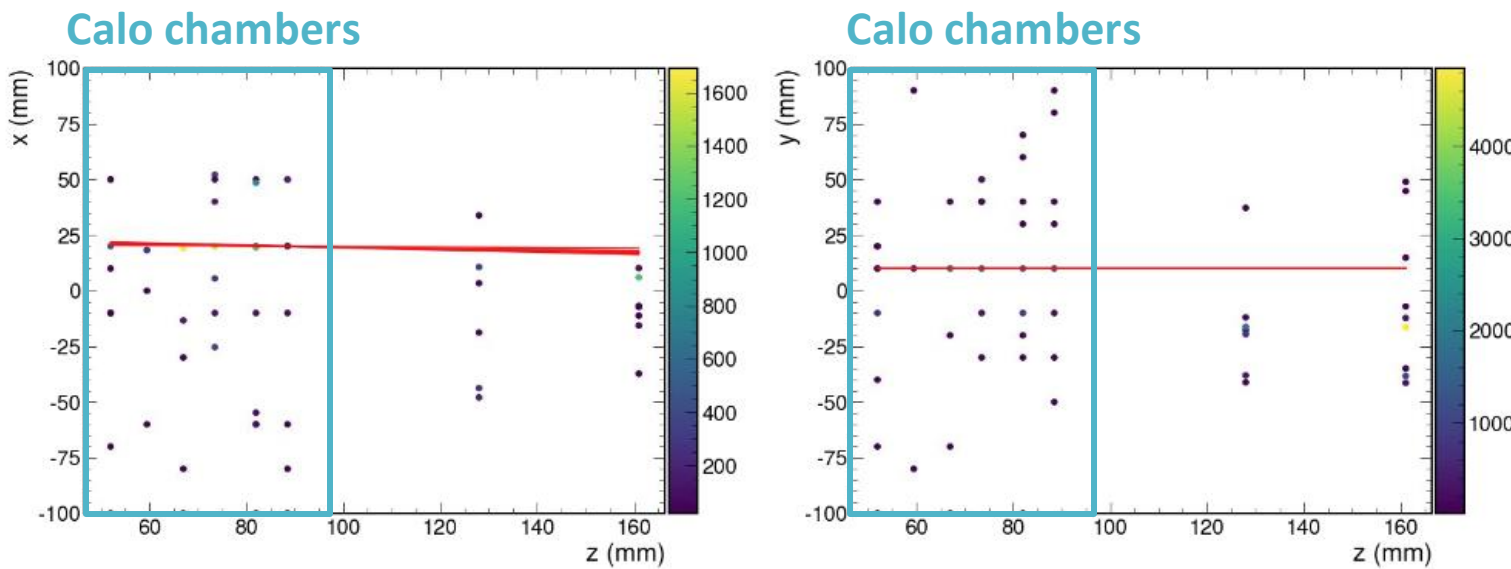
12 detectors with 1 cm<sup>2</sup> RO PADs

- 4 Resistive MicroMegs
- 7  $\mu$ -RWELL
- 1 RPWELL

**Tracking system**

- 2 10x10 cm<sup>2</sup> Tmms

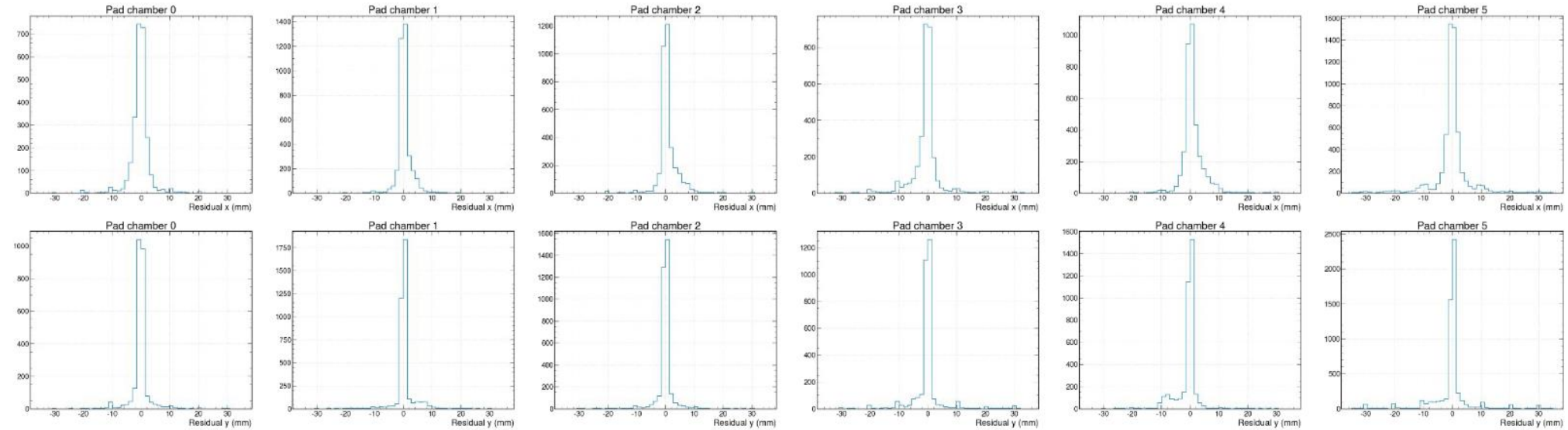
# MPGD-HCAL prototype - July test beam 2023



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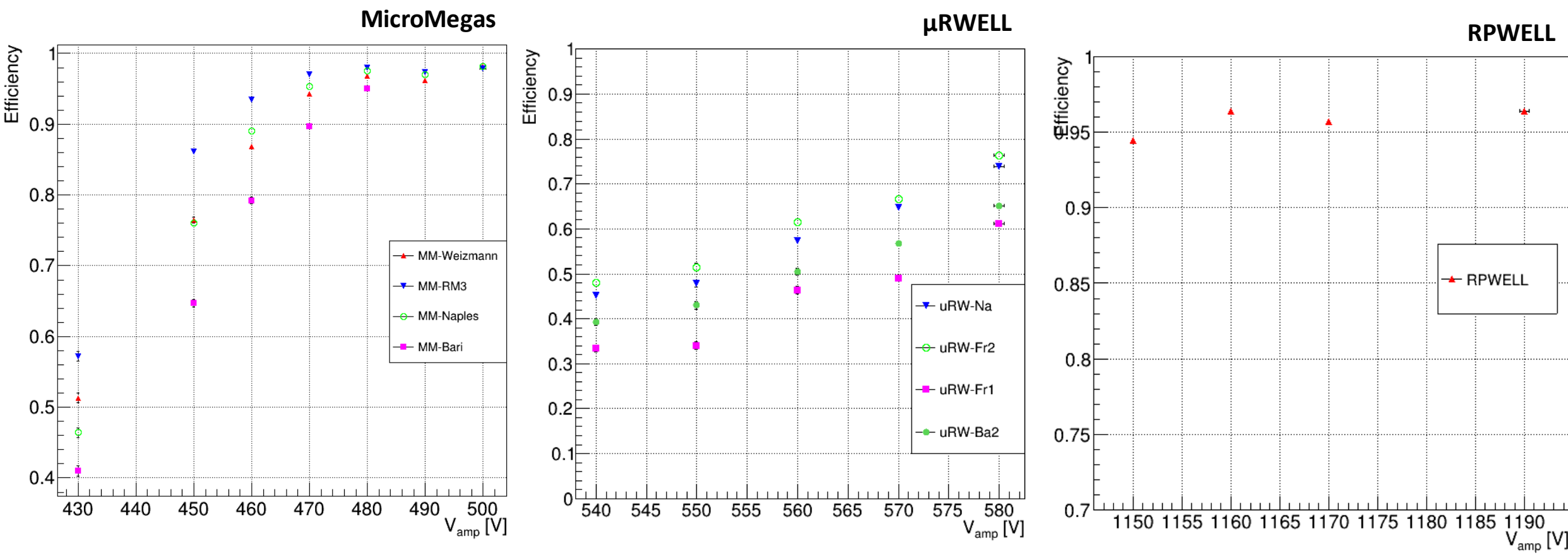
Narrow residuals, in agreement with detector granularity

## Residuals





# MPGD-HCAL prototype – July test beam 2023



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# MPGD-HCAL prototype – August test beam 2023

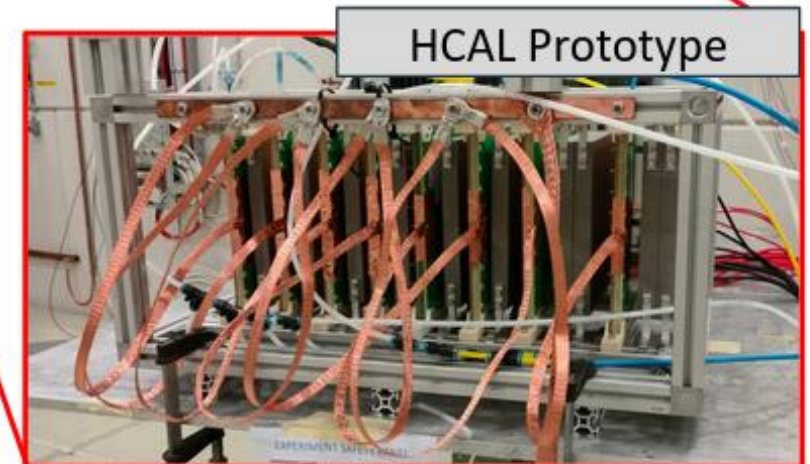
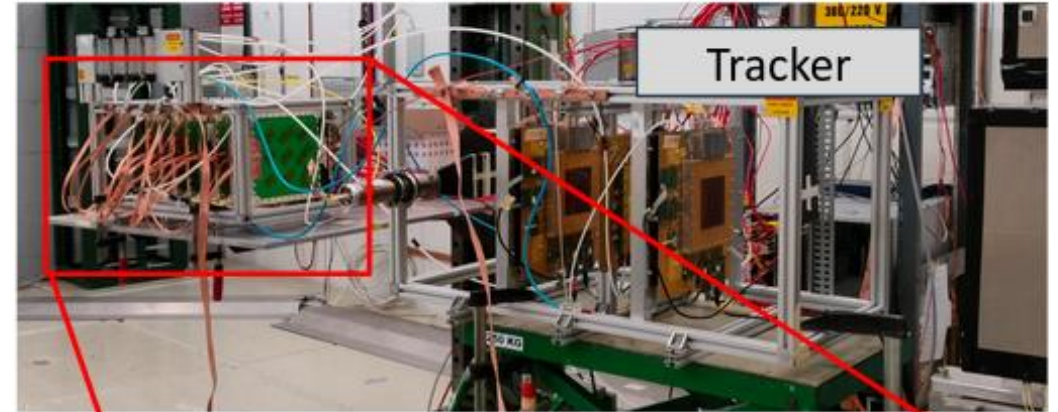
## Full prototype test beam campaign at PS

- pure negative pion beams
- beam size of  $\sim 1\text{cm}^2$
- monochromatic  $E=2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\text{ GeV}$

## First operation of the full system!

### Scientific program

- without absorbers: response to an X&Y scan
  - at 11 GeV, highly collimated and pure beam
- with absorbers: energy and energy resolution measurement with monochromatic beam
  - Cherenkov detectors used to veto electrons and muons contamination
- Define thresholds for semi-digital readout using per-pad charge distribution obtained with the analog readout



# Plans for 2023

**Test on MPGD prototype** (both TB data analysis still ongoing)

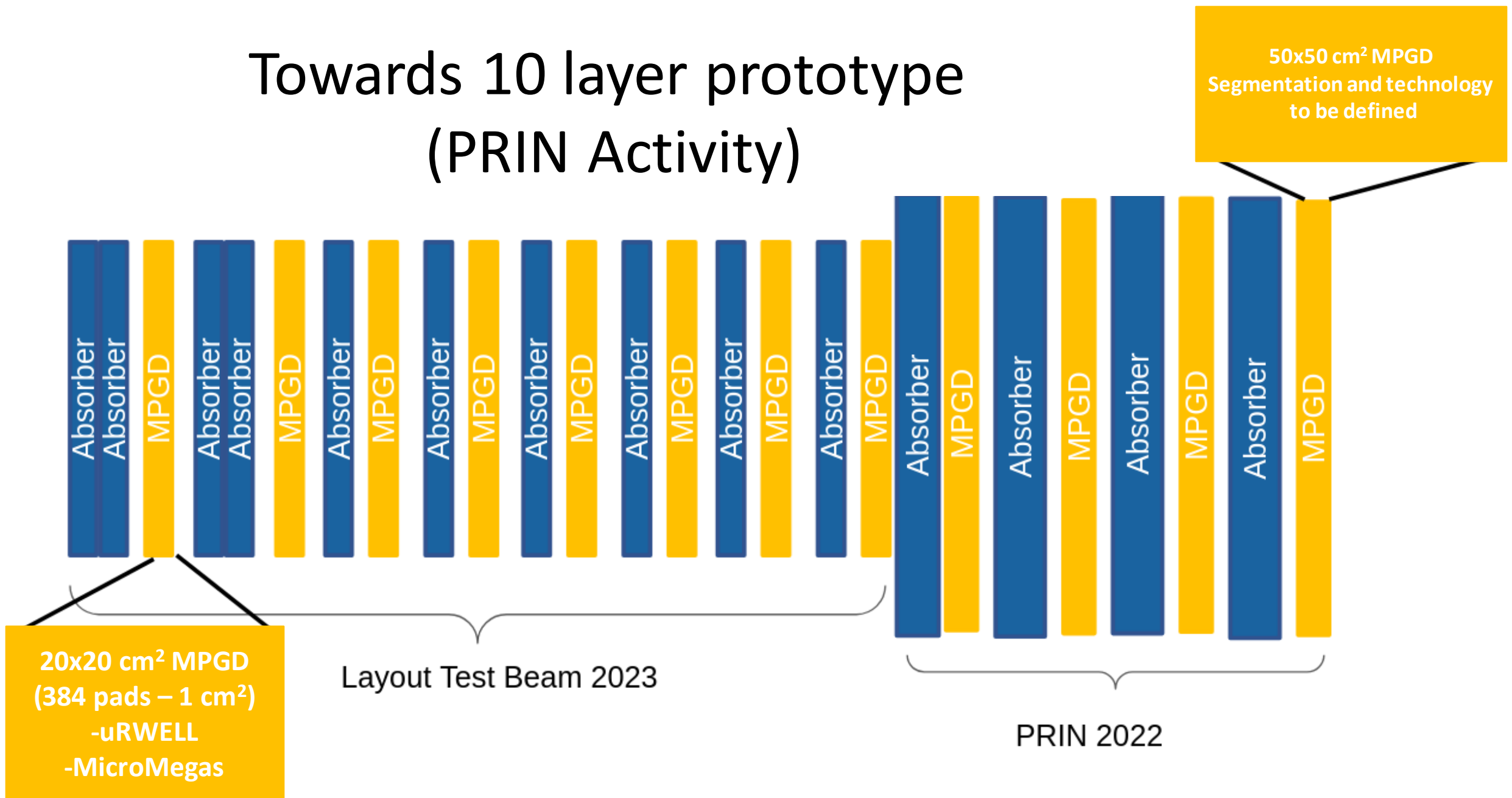
**Performance of single active layers** (TB at SPS and PS)

- Measure space resolution
- Efficiency vs HV (for each detector)
- Efficiency maps to determine uniformity response
- MIP charge distribution for muon and pion

**Performance of the calorimeter prototype**

- Pad charge distributions for threshold optimization for semi-digital readout
- Energy reconstruction and resolution
- Comparison with G4 data for validation of the simulation

# Towards 10 layer prototype (PRIN Activity)





# Plans for 2024 – prototype development

## **1. Construction of 50x50 cm<sup>2</sup> MPGD prototype**

- Choice of the technology – MicroMegas or uRWELL(following results of TB data analysis )
- Design definition
- Baseline 20x20 available, discuss with Rui for improvements
- Construction of first 2 modules
- First test in labs and test beam (?)

## **2. Definition/design front end electronic chips**

- Study of charge distribution (simulation validation with TB data)
- First characterization of chip on detector (VMM, FATIC, GEMROC)
- Choice for electronic

## **1. Design a modular mechanical structure for 10 layer prototype**

# Plans for 2024 – Simulation

## 1. G4 studies:

- Optimization of sampling fraction and layout of 10 layer prototype
- Study of  $f_{\text{em}}/f_{\text{had}}$  vs pion energy
- Add BIB to standalone MuCol simulation
- Study on the absorber

## 2. Muon collider full sim

- Realistic digitization
- Pion gun with std geometry vs MPGD → efficiency, energy resolution
- Pion gun with std vs MPGD with bib → efficiency, energy resolution, time resolution
- Repeat study with neutral hadron
- Study jet composition