# Calorimeter Insert Prototype Testing During 200 GeV PP Run at RHIC

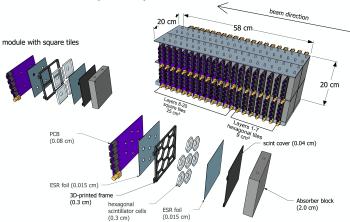
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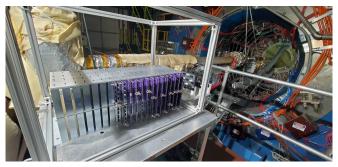


### Calorimeter Insert (CALI): Gen-II



- First beam test at JLab in 2023 (Instruments)
- 20 sampling layers: 4 hexagonal layers + 16 square layers
- Iron absorber + scintillator tile + SiPM (on tile) + PCB
- 20 cm  $\times$  20 cm transverse active area

#### Beam Test at BNL



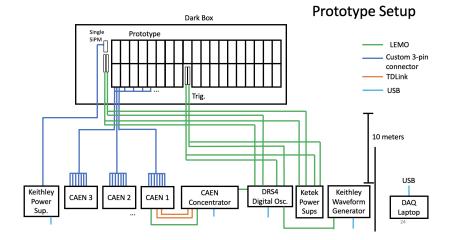
- Operating and calibrating the prototype in realistic conditions, as well as quantifying system degradation due to radiation damage
- Measurement of MIP response using isolated tagged charged hadron
- Measurement of core of hadronic shower using isolated tagged charged hadron
- Measuring  $\pi^0$  invariant mass and spectra to verify calibration and showcase the separation of two showers with a fine 3D shower shape

### Installation in the STAR Hall

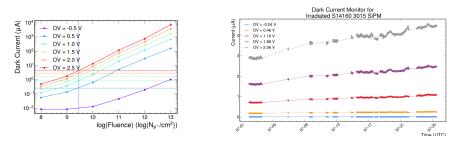


- East platform of the STAR detector, parallel to the beampipe
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- 192 (268)/368 channels readout (connected)
- Hodoscope installed, but not in use yet

### Trigger and Readout



### Radiation Monitoring



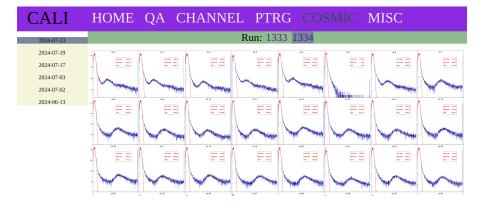
- Irradiation test at UC Davis last month as reference to calculate fluence for the BNL test
- Since RHIC Run24, the radiation received by the prototype is about  $10^9 10^{10} \text{ p/cm}^2$

## Operation

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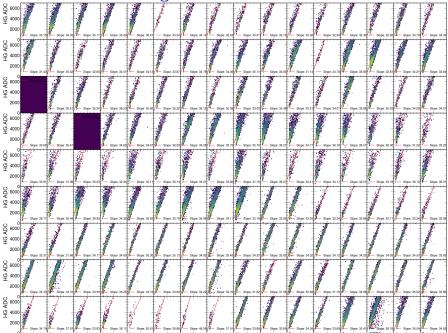
- Data taking and analysis are automated
- Website presentation: http://138.23.151.181:8080/BNL\_test/
- Run information is stored in a database
- Analysis framework (github)

# High Gain MIPs

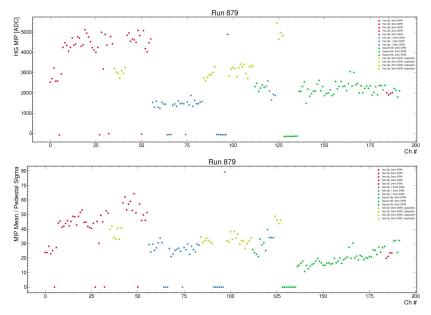


• In-situ MIP calibration with collision data

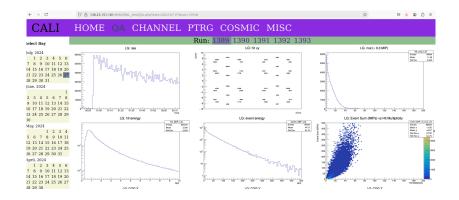
#### Cross Calibration: High Gain vs Low Gain



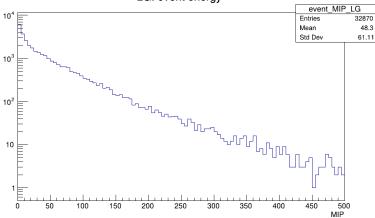
#### MIP Calibration and Signal-to-Noise Ratio



#### Data: QA Plots

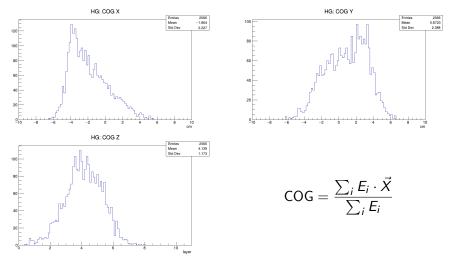


### Event Energy



LG: event energy

# Data: Center-of-Gravity (COG)



- Shower shape analysis is under development
- Aims at separating the two photons from  $\pi^0$

### Simulation

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Hit Energy

- Pythia8 vs data
- Fine tune needed

### Summary

- The first operation of a SiPM-on-tile calorimeter in a collider ever
- The goal: maintain stable performance along time under harsh radiation environment – radiation effect, MIP response, shower shape analysis and particle reconstruction
- Everything is on track, the experiment is about to complete commissioning, we have learnt a lot
- Will run it until next year (the end of RHIC), including both pp and AA collisions
- More SiPM boards and CAEN units (HGROC) will be added
- Shower shape analysis is under development

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