# Exclusive/Diffractive/Tagging PWG requirements for backward hadronic calorimeter construction

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Purpose:

- The point of this presentation is to get feedback from Exclusive/Diffractive/Tagging PWG about:
  - Which measurements could benefit from backward HCal(nHCal)
  - Start coordinating with the Exclusive/Diffractive/Tagging PWG on the performance checks
    - Extended acceptance, charged/neutral hadron identification and measurement
  - What parameters are most relevant?
    - Efficiency, acceptance, granularity/position resolution
  - How can we translate the acceptance into coverage in x,  $Q^2$  plane

Physics processes of interest:

- Vector Meson production and measurement via dimuon channel
  - $\mu/\pi$  distinction, track-cluster matching
- Jets coming from low-x partons
  - $\bullet~{\rm Low}~{\rm energy}~{\rm neutrons} < E >= 2.38 {\rm GeV}$
- Low-x physics in general, but more suggestions welcome!

Simulations of physics processes including backward HCal:

- Track-cluster association should work (not tested for nHCal)
- Basic reco clusters available further tests needed
- Truth clusters can also be used

## Introduction - backward HCal

#### Requirements: https://eic.jlab.org/Requirements/

A future backward HCal shall provide functionality of a tail catcher for the high resolution e/m calorimeter in electron identification, as well as for jet kinematics measurement at small Bjorken x





- Design considerations:
  - High efficiency for low energy neutron detection
  - Good spatial resolution to distinguish neutral/charged hadrons
- Follow similar solutions as Forward HCal instead of STAR EEMC megatiles
  - Due to required quick dissasembly of STAR the EEMC megatiles are no longer an option
  - Can make adjustments to Forward HCal (LFHCAL) design, but no need to reinvent the wheel

# Design

- Sampling calorimeter with 10 alternating layers,  $~2.4\lambda^0$  (red), similar to Belle-II KLM:
  - $\bullet\,$  stainless steel 4  ${\rm cm}\,$
  - plastic scintillator 4 mm follow forward HCal
- Light collection by SiPM:
  - Candidate (to verify): S14160-1315PS https://www.hamamatsu.com/eu/en/product/ optical-sensors/mppc/mppc\_mppc-array/S14160-1315PS.html
- Electronics to follow solutions of other calorimetry systems (HGCROCv3 or EICROC)



 $\bullet\,$  nHCal decoupled from the magnetic steel  $\Rightarrow$  more flexibility

# Geometry implementation in dd4hep



- A simplified version with STAR EEMC tiles already present in the main ePIC branch and included in the simulation campaigns up to November
  - · Good enough for basic checks
- $\bullet\,$  Forward HCal-type geometry with  $10\,\mathrm{cm}\times10\,\mathrm{cm}$  tiles implemented for December campaign

# Overlap of calorimeters

#### Acceptance



- $\bullet\,$  Acceptance  $-3.5 < \eta < -1.27$  can still be extended to match the stainless steel absorber volume
- Overlaps with backward and barrel EMcals
- Scattering may be important in these overlap regions



- Important for high y or low- $p_T$  vector mesons depends on type
- Increases acceptance
- Need projected MIP tracks and MIP signals in backward HCal and EMCal
  - $\mu/\pi$  distinction important, position resolution...

# Scattering may be a problem for jet energy reconstruction



 $e^+$  Au $\rightarrow e^-$  +  $jet(D^{\pm})$  + X

- 50% of neutrons scatter in backward EMCal
- Scattered neutron may fall out of a jet reconstruction cone
- We need to study this in coordination with Jet-HF PWG





- $\sim 24X_0$  for backward HCal
- Scintillator tiles do not cover the same volume as steel absorber yet



- $\bullet~\sim 2.4\lambda_0$  for backward HCal
- Scintillator tiles do not cover the same volume as steel absorber yet

## Conclusions

- Presented basic concept for backward HCal for ePIC
- Simplified geometry already in simulation campaign:
  - for STAR EEMC geometry+extensions until November
  - For LFHCAL-style until November
- $\bullet\,$  Need guidance from physics on the coverage in  $\eta$
- Starting point for a discussion/coordination between PWG(effects on physics) and detector design

## BACKUP

# Jet particle distributions



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## Primary particle distributions - eta and energy



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- Mean energy of neutrons  $< E >= 2.38 \, {
  m GeV}$
- Large number of high  $E e^-$  from beam? (but these should have generator status=4)

# Primary particle distributions - Energy vs. eta



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- $\bullet\,$  Mean energy of neutrons  $< E>_{-2<\eta<-1}=$  1.65  ${\rm GeV}$  and  $< E>_{-3<\eta<-2}=$  2.52  ${\rm GeV}$



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- Mean energy of neutrons  $< E >_{-4 < \eta < -3} = 3.84 \, {
  m GeV}$



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- $\bullet\,$  Mean momentum of neutrons  $= 2.12\,{\rm GeV/c}$

## Primary particle distributions - Momentum vs. eta



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- $\bullet$  Mean momentum of neutrons  $_{-2<\eta<-1}=1.32~{\rm GeV/c}$  and  $_{-3<\eta<-2}=2.29~{\rm GeV/c}$



- Primary (generated) MC particles hitting nHCal
- $\bullet\,$  Mean momentum of neutrons  $_{-4 < \eta < -3} = 3.68 \, {\rm GeV/c}$

# LFHCal design







