Precision Timing Detectors with Cadmium Telluride Sensors

Cristian Pena, Maria Spiropulu, Si Xie, Zhicai Zhang, Jiajing Mao, Aashrita Mangu Caltech

Adi Bornheim

and strengt

ALC:

TIPP 201

Physics at HL-LHC





For good time resolution, need:

- fast rise time (t_{rise}) ⇒ primary signal rise time (scintillation : LYSO ~30 ps, Si sensors ~1ns)
- 2. low Signal-to-Noise (Δ U/U) \Rightarrow primary signal amplitude : LYSO 30k photons/MeV (1.07 MeV/mm MIP) , Si sensors ~30k e/h pairs in 300 μ m for a MIP
- 3. more time samples (n_{samples})

Calorimeter showers provide large, temporally coherent primary signals.



Timing Calorimeter with CdTe

- MIP signal 50k electrons in 300 μm.
- CdTe density ~5.8 g/cm³
- Sensor available in large thickness (here : 1 mm).
- CdTe more suitable for calorimetric application.





Adi Bornheim, Precision Timing with CdTe Sensors



Test Beam Setup



- Tests performed at CERN test beam facilities T9 (up to 7 GeV) and H2 (up to 200 GeV)
- DRS based fast digitizer as readout with MCP as timing reference (<10 ps precision).</p>



Adi Bornheim, Precision Timing with CdTe Sensors



Pulse Shapes



- Example pulse shapes from 100 GeV electron beam
- Pulse shape have fast rise time : ~1 ns.
- Excellent signal/noise due to high ionization density in the shower.
- > Two time constants : electron- and hole-induced pulse.





Energy Response



- > Energy response scales well with beam energy.
- Single sensor test (1x1 cm²) does not allow detailed performance study.
- High density of CdTe allows rather homogeneous sandwich calorimeter.





Time walk Correction



- Time response depends on amplitude : change in S/N, electronic chain typically not perfectly linear.
- Still observe very good time resolution of ~110 ps at the lowest energy shower (2 GeV, 2 X₀)



Adi Bornheim, Precision Timing with CdTe Sensors



Time Walk Correction

- **PT**
- Only partial containment with a 1x1 cm² sensor.
 Large spread in contained energy also results in sizeable effect of the time walk correction for fixed energy.





Timing Response Uniformity **@PT**

- Timing response of the sensors shows a strong dependence on impact point.
- > Note : Sensor exposed to a shower after 6 X_0 tungsten.





Corrected Timing



- Timing resolution depends on the impact point relative to the diode contacts.
- Corrected resolution across sensor : 25 ps.
- Best resolution : 20 ps.







Adi Bornheim, Precision Timing with CdTe Sensors



Single Mip Timing



- > Ongoing test beam at FNAL.
- New boards and housing to reduce noise will allow access to smaller signal, eventually single MIP timing.





Summary



 Shower timing measurements with a precision down to 20 ps achieved with CdTe sensor.

Various properties of CdTe sensors make them very interesting for calorimetric applications.









