

# The CMS ECAL Laser Monitoring System

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# Introduction



CMS is building a high resolution Crystal Calorimeter (ECAL) to be operated at LHC in a very harsh radiation environment.

 $\Rightarrow$  Talk by P. Bloch (Monday)

Calibrating and maintaining the calibration of this device will be very challenging. Hadronic environment makes physics calibration more challenging.

 $\Rightarrow$  Talk by P. Meridiani (talk today)

#### **PWO Crystals change transparency under radiation.**

The damage is large (few % - typically  $\sim$ 5 % for CMS ECAL barrel radiation levels) compared to the desired constant term (0.5 %).

The dynamics of the transparency change is fast (< 1h) compared to the time scale needed for a calibration with physics events(weeks - month).

 $\Rightarrow$  Compensate this by monitoring the change with a lase monitoring system











 $\Rightarrow$  For best linearity 440 nm is chosen to monitor radiation damage

For red/infrared laser : optical fiber transmittance, APD, electronics cross check





## Damage and Recovery in a the 'LHC Cycle'





 $\Rightarrow$ Damage-recovery cycle in sync with the ~12 hour LHC fill cycle





 $\Rightarrow$  Can use same correction parameters for all crystals.

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Abort gaps occur at ~10 kHz - Laser pulses at ~100 Hz  $\Rightarrow$  Use ~1% of gaps

### $\Rightarrow$ Scan entire ECAL every 20 minutes





>Pulse Energy : 1.0/0.6 mJ at 440nm/495nm

Enough light to flash several hundred crystals at a time trough a multi level light distribution system.

Pulse Energy Stability: ECAL specification < 10 % RMS Small enough to avoid possible non-linearities in the APD/PN ratio.

Pulse Width : ECAL specification < 40 ns</p>

Match the 25 ns read out cycle of the ECAL electronics.

Pulse Jitter : Pulse timing, long/short term, typically <4 ns / < 2 ns Ensure precise timing in LHC 25 ns cycle.

### ➤Wave Length :

440 nm primary wavelength at the PWO emission peak, 495 nm /800 nm / 700 nm for systematic cross checks.



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## **Laser Source Monitoring**



Each laser has a monitor output which allows to adjust and monitor its performance of pulse energy, pulse width and pulse timing.



 $\Rightarrow$  Stability typically a few percent / few ns.



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## **Laser Monitoring Performance**







# Summary



- Final design Laser Monitoring System has been installed and tested over several thousand hours at the test beam.
- >All performance criterions have been achieved.
- ➢Now, installation and comissioning the entire system next challenge. After that, operating the system over 10 years and follow the crystal transparency on the level of 0.1%.