Direct Coupling Simulations

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- Direct coupling (see talk by Frank Simon)
- Standalone simulation
- GEANT4 simulation
- Results
- Outlook

GEANT4 vs Standalone MC

Standalone simulation by F.Corriveau, Z.Niu (2008) and A.Thomson (2009)

- Straightforward C++ code
- Beam description, ionisation, light emisssion
- Light propagation, reflection/absorption
- Several parameters available for understanding and tuning
- Histograms handled through ROOT

Geant4 code provided by V.Saveliev (Obninsk), developped by A.Thomson

- Setup done at McGill under Scientific Linux
- Tile geometry and properties provided as input, more flexible
- GEANT handles the physical processes, histograms through ROOT
- Many parameters (e.g. surface properties) are somewhat confusing
- Very useful to have both simulations programs vs actual data

Standalone Results

The MPPC is located in the center of the bottom face

30x30x5 mm³ tile

Measurement from NIU (V.Zutshi et al.)



as shown last year in Manchester

Scan Across Green Square Cell with White Paint





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2008 Configurations



.. and numerous variations in position, sizes, tuning of attenuation, threshold, surfaces, beam, etc..

Absorbing Patch



0.34%

with 7x7mm² patch

Absorbing patch of various sizes and reflectivities located on top of the tile, above the position of the Si-PM.

The result was the opposite of the naïve expectations, since the light produced further away was cut even more than the "central" one through repeated reflections.

without patch



average distributions across full tile for 90% patch absorption

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GEANT – Types of Surface



poor GEANT documentation on surface types

not included yet: smearing due to source

very large differences observed

need more sets of measurement data to tune the simulation

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Spherical Cutout



Special example		GEANT Simulation			Standalone
Radius [mm]	Depth [mm]	Deposited Energy [MeV]	Detected Energy [MeV]	Fraction Detected	Fraction Detected
	0	17.90	0.1766	0.987%	1.182%
10	1	17.30	0.0583	0.337%	0.017%
10	2	16.64	0.0585	0.352%	0.020%
10	3	15.89	0.0568	0.358%	0.019%

Standalone: large variations due to arbitrariness of the threshold parameter

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GEANT – Spherical Cutouts



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GEANT - Side Cutout

From C. Solner, July 2007: 2mm spherical dimple



still non-uniformities



Summary

- More than 200 different variations in many configurations tested with each of the standalone and GEANT simulation programs, some overlapping
- The simulations reproduce the general features of the available measurements (NIU, Regina, MPI Munich)
- Both simulations contain a too large number of loosely defined parameters
- Eagerly awaiting the release of the full data for tuning the simulation programs and have real predictive power in other configurations