Transverse Profiles in Electromagnetic Showers with the CALICE AHCAL

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Transverse Profiles: Reminder

- Get the shower axis based on TBTrack
- Look in rings centered at the shower axis
- Sum up the energy in each ring, weighted by the fraction of the tile area in the specific ring
- Divide by the ring area
 ⇒ energy density vs radial coordinate:

$$R = \sqrt{(x_i - x_{track})^2 + (y_i - y_{track})^2}$$

 \Rightarrow transverse profiles



Transverse Profiles in HADRON Showers

Strange step observed in hadron showers (CALICE Analysis Note CAN-011e)



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Transverse Profiles in ELECTROMAGNETIC Showers

- Transverse profiles in hadron showers: strange dip observed in the shower core ⇒ what about electromagnetic case?
- Similar strange dip observed with our standard physics lists
- Many checks done to overrule obvious reasons (see talk given in Analysis Meeting on 7th December):
 - Rejection of possible muon (*N_{HCAL}* > 100) and pion contributions (Cherenkov)
 - Restriction to central calorimeter area
 - Detector effects: runs with beam at (0, 0) and at other positions
 - Cross-talk between tiles
 - MIP cut value
 - Alignment of AHCAL layers
 - Treatment of saturation correction
 - Shape of beam profile
 - Mokka implementation: virtual vs real tiles
 - Gun position in MC (effect from soft neutrons)
 - Analysis software (Beni, Marina)

- Use GEANT4 (v9.3.) physics lists with special EM options
- QGSP_BERT_EMV (EM option 1): modification for e⁻ and e⁺ transport with respect to default EM physics (V = variant)
- QGSP_BERT_EMX (EM option 2): kills e⁻ and γ's produced below threshold for all EM processes (X = eXperimental)
- QGSP_BIC_EMY (EM option 3): best precision, recommended for hadron therapy

Transverse Profiles in ELECTROMAGNETIC Showers: Results

Distance relative to the shower axis (+ weights)



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Distance relative to the barycenter (no weights)



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Distance relative to the barycenter (no weights)



Transverse Profiles in CALICE ECAL (David)

- Distance relative to the barycenter (no weights)
- Selected events in the centre of the ECAL's active area
- Right plot: with cut to remove double cluster events









E vs r_{bit} |x|<15 0<y<10



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Conclusions and Overview

- One possibility: dip due to double clusters in data and not MC
 - First look at energy in the first 2 AHCAL layers did not show any second peak
 - David: mean distance between double clusters in ECAL \sim 4 cm \Rightarrow it may be possible that they cannot be seen in AHCAL (3 × 3 cm²)
 - Observed in 2006/2007 CERN beam
 - What about FNAL beam?
 - What about rotated beam? (Beni)
- Suggestions from GEANT4 developers, as result of extensive discussions from Friday (5.03.2010): use significantly different MC models
 - Livermore: low energetic EM models (describe interactions of electrons and protons with matter down to about 250 eV, using interpolated data tables based on the Livermore library)
 - Penelope: PENetration and ENergy LOss of Positrons and Electrons new set of physics processes for γ, e⁻ and e⁺

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BACK-UP SLIDES

Longitudinal Profiles in ELECTROMAGNETIC Showers



Control Plots



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