Simulation of BCAL Timing

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Motivation

- * Reproduce the "effects" we saw in BCAL timing
- * Check the possible systematics in Z-position reconstruction

Simulation

- * 48 BCAL modules in GEANT-3
- * Fine-structure model of BCAL
- * Fixed-momentum particles from the center of the target
- * Uniform seed on Φ and Z
- * Effective velocity of the light propagation through the BCAL was assumed as 16.75 cm/ns

Timing in the Simulation



Fluctuations



Conversion factor was measured with cosmics in 2010

Crossing oh the threshold -> "Raw" Time

Calibration (iteration #1)



Simulation: E_v=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=0

Calibration (final iteration)



Simulation: E_v=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=0

Simulation: E_{γ} =1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=0



Simulation: E_v=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=0



Resolution from Simulation

Photon Showers in BCAL: Layer 1 Photon Showers in BCAL: Layer 2 Mean-Time Resolution (TDC), σ_t (ns) Mean-Time Resolution (TDC), σ_t (ns) 0.6 0.6 $\sigma_t = \frac{(71 \pm 3) \text{ ps}}{\sqrt{\text{E(GeV)}}} \oplus (198 \pm 6) \text{ ps}$ $\sigma_{t} = \frac{(66 \pm 2) \text{ ps}}{\sqrt{\text{E(GeV)}}} \oplus (207 \pm 4) \text{ ps}$ 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 0 0 0.9 0.9 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 Energy in Cell, E (GeV) Energy in Cell, E (GeV) DATA Photon Showers in BCAL: Layer 3 Photon Showers in BCAL (Run 10913) Mean-Time Resolution (TDC), σ_t (ns) Mean-Time Resolution, σ_t (ns) 0.6 0.6 <u>(74 ± 3) ps</u> ⊕ (204 ± 8) ps $\sigma_{t} = \frac{(105 \pm 2) \text{ ps}}{\sqrt{\text{E(GeV)}}} \oplus (139 \pm 8) \text{ ps}$ 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 0 L 0 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1 Energy in Cell, E (GeV) 0.5 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0[°] 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.2 1 1.4 Shower Energy, E (GeV)

Effective Velocities from Simulation

Layer 1



 $V_D - V_U = 0.28 \ cm/ns$

Layer 2

Simulation: E_{\gamma}=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=0



Simulation: E_v=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=2, End=1



$V_D - V_U = 0.34 \, cm/ns$

Layer 3



Simulation: E_v=1 GeV, Module=13, Sector=2, Layer=3, End=1



 $V_D - V_U = 0.33 \, cm/ns$

Effective Velocities from Data



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"Reconstructed" Z vs Thrown Z



"Reconstructed" Z vs Thrown Z





0.2

0.1

0.3

0.4

-0.5

-1.5

-2 C

0.5

Energy in Cell (GeV)

Calibration Stability











Conclusions

* With realistic assumptions, we can reproduce (in general) BCAL time resolution

* Comparison with the data suggests that the volume of the energy deposition in the shower is not the only cause of the "two-velocity" effect in BCAL

* The systematics in the Z-reconstruction is small (consistent with zero)

* In this simulation model (!), the timing calibration on gamma is stable (viz., only one calibration set can be used for the reliable Z-reconstruction of the gamma shower)