Analysis of test-beam data from the W-AHCAL prototype

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Test-beam measurement

Test-beam measurement performed on the Calice W-AHCAL:

- Sampling calorimeter (38 layers)
- absorber material: tungsten
- active layers: scintillator tiles coupled to SiPM readout

Experimental set-up:





• Beam energies: 1-300 GeV (of interest for this studies: 25-150 GeV)

• Particles: electrons, muons, pions and protons

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Goal of the analysis

• Comparison of Data/Monte-Carlo with emphasis on variables describing hadronic shower fluctuations

Comparison measurement data to two models (GEANT 4, version 9.6.p01)

- QGSP_BERT_HP (quark-gluon string precompound + Bertini Cascade models + neutron high precision)
- FTFP_BERT_HP (Fritiof precompound + Bertini Cascade models + neutron high precision)
- Investigate separation potential of protons and pions in the W-AHCAL



Introduction

Study of fluctuations of hadronic showers Comparison of data and Monte-Carlo



Fluctuation of hadronic showers: Motivation

Investigate fluctiations in radial and longitudinal shower development

- Not yet discussed in detail in CAN-044
- Shape of hadronic showers vary very much (Example: Pions, beam energy = 80 GeV):



Do the simulations describe hadronic shower fluctuations correctly?



Fluctuations of longitudinal shower development

Fluctuation of energy loss in the calorimeter layers: Quantified using spread of the energy deposition in mean layer of shower maximum: Pions:



- MC underestimate spread by up to 10% ۲
- QGSP_BERT_HP in this case better option ۲
- Larger deviation data/MC @50-60 GeV ⇒ position of maximum changes, but at a different beam energy for data and MC
- Results similar for protons



Longitudinal shower depth @ 67%: Mean

Calculate mean number of layer it takes to absorb 67% of full shower energy.

Example for the distribution of shower depth @ 67%: pions, beam energy: 80 GeV:



- Goodness of description model and particle dependent
- Agreement within 10%
- Proton showers are deeper than pion showers

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Longitudinal shower depth @ 67%: Spread





Protons:

- Agreement data and MC within 5%
- QGSP_BERT_HP better option for protons and pions

Fluctuations of the radial shower development

Fluctuations of energy deposition in rings around the center of gravity \Rightarrow quantified by spread of energy deposition in innermost ring **Pions:**



Radial shower depth @67%: Mean

Radius of the cylinder containing 67% of the full shower energy Example of the distribution of the radial shower depth @ 67% (Proton, beam energy = 80 GeV):





- QGSP_BERT_HP: agreement in the order of 10-15%
- Both MC underestimate radial shower depth
- Pion shower deposit more energy close to center axis





Fluctuation of hadronic showers

Radial shower depth @67%: Spread



Protons:

• Agreement data/MC of the order of 10%

Pions:

Proton and pion distinction using a Boosted Decision Tree



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- **Goal:** Testing possibility to distinguish between protons and pions in the W-AHCAL prototype using shower properties
- Tool: Boosted decision tree (BDT)
 ⇒ Machine learning tool to classify events in a sample
- BDT is implemented in TMVA (Toolkit for Multivariate Analysis), for more information see TMVA manual



Method continued

Trees: Consist of subsequent yes/no ("is proton?") decisions based on cuts on variables



"Growing" the tree:

- BDT finds typical properties for protons/ π^+ based on training sample with known properties (cut on variable)
- Training sample split at each node into two sub-samples: pion- or proton-like
- Procedure repeated until sample has highest purity or minimum size
- "Leaf node" defined as proton node if contains more proton events from the training sample
- Incorrecly classified events are given larger weight \Rightarrow reweighting \Rightarrow new BDTs are "grown" ("boosting")
- Apply BDTs on testing sample \Rightarrow classification according to how often event ended up in signal and background nodes
- Each event assigned a BDT value dependent whether if event more pion-/proton-like \Rightarrow BDT proposes optimal cut for highest purity



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Approach

- Proton and pion showers are very similar \Rightarrow separation very challenging
- Distinction based on 30 variables, describing shower properties and shower shape
- The larger the difference proton/pion, the more important the variable in the BDT
- Important variables are used at many decision nodes, contribute therefore much to the separation
- Unimportant and strongly correlated variables are ignored by the BDT
- Sample beam energy = 60 GeV (highest purity for protons and pions was archived in measurement for 60 GeV, response of Cherenkov-Detector energy dependent) LCD-Note-2013-006

Combinations of training and testing samples used in these studies

training sample	testing sample
QGSP_BERT_HP	QGSP_BERT_HP
FTFP_BERT_HP	FTFP_BERT_HP
data	data
QGSP_BERT_HP	data



BDT input: Longitudinal shower depth @67%



- Shower properties are very similar for protons and pions
- Difference between protons and pions is slightly larger in MC than in data

Note: Beam energy = 60 GeV

BDT input: Mean hit energy/cell



By far important variable in separation (very large weight in all cases)
 ⇒ Large impact on result

• Difference between protons and pions is slightly larger in MC than in data

Remark: Mean value of quantity X: $\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i}{N}$

BDT input: Energy weighted radial distance



- Discrepancies between data and MC
- Important variable in most cases

Remark: Energy weighted radial distance:

$$d = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{N_{\text{hits}}} E_i \sqrt{(x_i - x_{cog})^2 + (y_i - y_{cog})^2}}{\sum_{i=0}^{N_{\text{hits}}} E_i}$$





BDT-Response and Efficiency Cut: QGSP_BERT_HP training and testing



• BDT values for protons and pions similar

- But still: clear difference between proton efficiency (95%) and pion efficiency (80%) @ optimal cut value
 - \Rightarrow possible to accumulate protons in sample
- Results similar for FTFP_BERT_HP training and testing

Proton and Pion distinction

BDT-Response and Efficiency Cut: Data training and testing



- In data, the difference in BDT-response is lower than in the case of MC
- The potential to separate Protons and Pions is overestimated in both MC
- But still: clear difference between proton efficiency (97%) and pion efficiency (87%) @ optimal cut value still visible
 - \Rightarrow possible to accumulate protons in sample

BDT-Response and Efficiency Cut: QGSP_BERT_HP training, Data testing



- BDT response plot shows discrepancy between data and MC
- $\bullet\,$ Caution: MC training information in disagreement with data $\Rightarrow\,$ possible bias in data selection
- Proton efficiency: 97%, pion efficiency: 87%



Conclusions

- Investigated longitudinal and radial fluctuations of hadronic showers
- For new variables, data and MC agree on percent level
- Agreement MC/data model and particle dependent
- Analyzed whether it is possible to separate protons and pions only using information provided by the HCAL
- Protons and pions very similar
 - \Rightarrow for reliable distinction use information of other parts of the detector
 - \Rightarrow Nevertheless, it is possible to accumulate protons/pions in sample
- MC shows larger difference between $p/\pi^+ \Rightarrow p/\pi^+$ separation harder in reality than predicted in MC



Thank you for your attention!







Bonus-material





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BDT-Response and Efficiency Cut: FTFP_BERT_HP training and testing



• proton efficiency = 95%, pion efficiency = 75% @ optimal cut value



Bonus-material

BDT-Response and Efficiency Cut: QGSP_BERT_HP training and testing, $E_{available}$



- Consider $E_{available}$: Proton does not decay in contrast to $\pi^+ \Rightarrow$ rest mass does not contribute in shower energy
- $E_{available} = 60 GeV$ for protons and pions
- proton efficiency: 97%, pion efficiency: 87%
- sample purity is lower compared with other MC samples ⇒ E_{available} seems to have some impact!

Longitudinal and radial shower fluctuations for protons

Longitudinal fluctuations Spread @ maximum energy deposition: Radial fluctuations Spread @ center:





Radial shower fluctuations for higher radius

Spread of energy deposition in ring with r =20-30mm from center of gravity Pions: Protons:



Layer of shower start





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