Study of SFGD Prototype's Response to Cosmic Rays

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Introduction

- Study of cosmic tracks passing through detector from the SFGD prototype LANL 2020 data
- Cosmic data taking runs used a scintillator pad (22 cm x 18 cm) on the top surface of the detector to trigger a time window of 200 ns
- Looking at channels along X (24cm) and Z (48cm) axes; both use Type I MPPCs
- Looking at hit PE by channel
- Analysis performed using tools in neutronselection repository develop branch

Event Selection

- Single time cluster within 20 ns
- 3D voxelization of hits
- Single spatial cluster
- Number of voxels between 6-12
- Voxels in top and bottom layers of detector
- PCA linearity > 0.9
- All plots following this slide include these cuts



Hit Locations of All Events





Z View



Track Fitting

- Default track fitting failed in some cases
- Fitting track with a straight line
- Function being minimized is the distance from the charge weighted voxel location
- Starting parameters are the charge weighted centroid and principal eigenvector of track geometry's charge weighted covariance matrix
- Result of fit is a point on the track and a vector along the track's direction
- Track fitting results then used to calculate the track lengths within each cube

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• Selecting hits corresponding to track lengths between 0.8-1.2 cm within cubes



Rename this to track features



Sample Overview

Hits per Z-Channel Hits per X-Channel Entries Entries 0[∟]0 Ŭ0

• After adding cut on track lengths in cubes

Fiber Attenuation

$$y(d) = LY_o(\alpha e^{-\frac{d}{L_S}} + (1-\alpha)e^{-\frac{d}{L_L}})$$

- Weighting factor $\alpha = 0.1399$
- Long attenuation constant: $L_L = 400 \text{ cm}$, from manufacturer
- Short attenuation constant: $L_S = 6.306 \text{ cm}$, for 24 cm fibers

All X Channels mean Hit PE Dist. vs Dist to MPPC



Attenuation constants quoted from:

A. Blondel et al. "The SuperFGD Prototype Charged Particle Beam Tests"

LYo after correction. X Channel along y=3, z=3



LYo after correction. Z Channel along y=4, x=11

Entries

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[p.e.]

X Channels Mean Response

X Channels Mean LYo after corrections



- Relatively even response in map
- bands in stats plot may be due to some overlap in scintillator pad location



Z Channels Mean Response

- Relatively even response in map again.
- Same MPPC but different mean

Z Channels Mean LYo after corrections



Z Channels Mean LYo Map after corrections Hits per Z Channel Δ °0 X [cm] X [cm]

Summary and Next Steps

- We have performed data analysis on cosmics LANL
- We have calculated the means per channels for X and Z fibers
- Channels are relatively uniform in both X and Z
- Mean and spread similar to CERN charged beam tests
- Next steps. planning to look at the y channels with high angle or tilt data if enough statistics (24 x 48 channels)
- If available might want to see if any temperature corrections for the MPPC response can improve what we have seen