

ATLAS ID material studies with photon conversions

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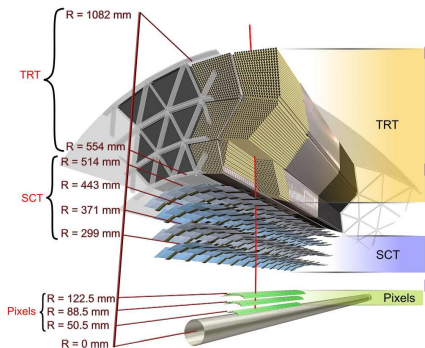
Introduction

Why studying the Inner Detector material?

- ▶ Calibration of the electromagnetic calorimeter (precise knowledge of the electron energy loss before the calorimeter.)
- ▶ Precise MC simulation based on the material.

INNER DETECTOR

Detectors inside the ID:



→ Silicon Pixel Detector
(accurate measurement of vertices)

→ Semiconductor Tracker
(precise measurement of the particle momentum)

→ Transition Radiation Tracker (eases the pattern recognition)

ESTIMATION OF THE INNER DETECTOR MATERIAL

- ▶ The ID material affects the track trajectories (Bremsstrahlung effects). So by the time the electrons leave the SCT they've already lost between 20% and 50% of their energy.
- ▶ On the other hand, among 10% to 50% of photons convert into electron-positron pair. The probability of a photon converting in any given layer of the ID, is proportional to the amount of material in that layer.

USE OF PHOTON CONVERSIONS AS A TOOL TO MAP THE POSITION AND AMOUNT OF MATERIAL

Radiation wavelength:

7/9 of the mean free path for
photon conversion .

$$X_0 = \frac{716,4 gcm^{-2} A}{Z(Z+1) \ln(287\sqrt{Z})}$$

We can relate the fraction (F_{conv}) of photons converted in a localized amount of material, with X_0 :

$$\frac{X}{X_0} = -\frac{9}{7} \ln(1 - F_{conv})$$

$$F_{conv} = \frac{N_{reco}}{N_{tot}} \frac{F_{comb} F_{mis}}{\varepsilon} \frac{1}{\exp(-\frac{7}{9} M_{up})}$$

N_{reco} : number of reconstructed photon conversions in the material under investigation.

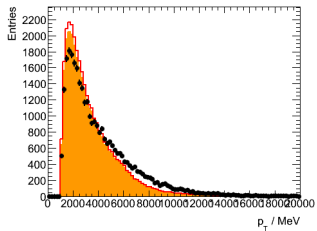
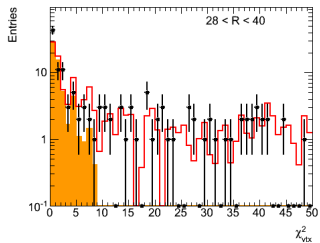
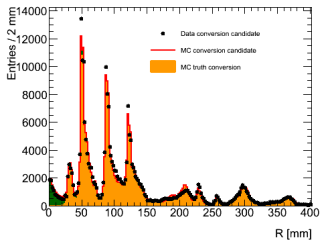
F_{comb} : correction factor for combinatorial background.

N_{tot} : total number of photons produced at the primary vertex.

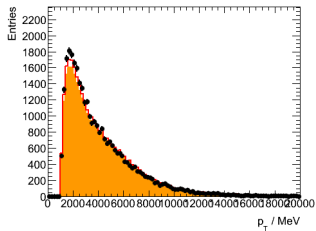
ε : conversion reconstruction and selection efficiency.

M_{up} : integrated radiation length of the material under consideration.

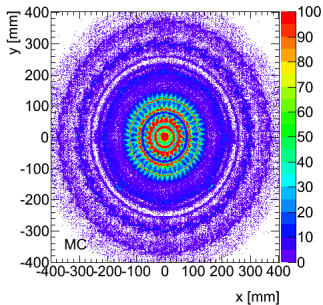
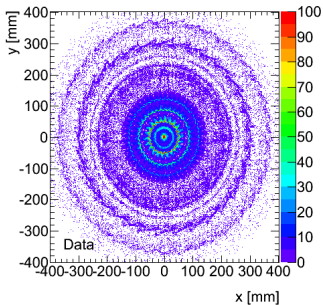
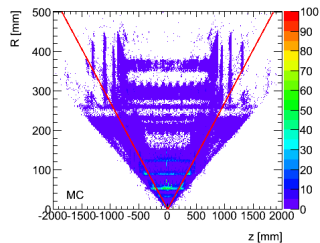
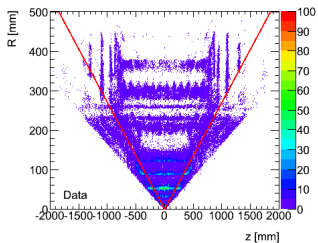




p_T distribution with no reweight



p_T distribution with reweight



CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ Photon conversions are an important tool to map the inner detector material.
- ▶ Obtained detailed understanding of the material distribution with the current analysis.
- ▶ Results were improving the MC simulation.