

Beam Energy-Loss measurement

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 \geq Preliminary look at the energy loss measurement – very early thoughts with a couple of simulations to assist.

Energy loss in beam
LH2 absorber

- ➤MC study
 - Simulation Details
 - Analysis
 - ➢ Plots
 - Conclusions



Ionisation Cooling of a Muon beam is achieved by passing the beam through an absorber of low-Z material.

 \succ In our case LH2 or LiH.

Energy-loss is an interesting measurement that will help our understanding of the beam.

➢There are few (if any) instances of the muon beam energy loss being measured.

• MUSCAT measured scattering angle distributions.

 \succ Will initially use the trackers to measure the momentum either side of the absorber.

Likely all detectors will be needed to make a good measurement.



Simulated Energy loss distribution for 200MeV muons in 35cm LH2.



MAUS MC simulation

➢Using Step IV geometry (42) with LH2 absorber.

>100k events simulated at 200MeV/c at beginning of channel.

- Particle decay enabled (should disable later?)
- 22042 spills produce space points in TOF detectors.

Initial MC analysis

➢Use difference between TOF1 and TOF0 to select muon tracks

- 42-48ns
- End up with 3904 tracks reconstructed through both trackers. (4% of simulated events)

> Momentum range of muons can be flexible. I have chosen 200 ± 5 MeV at the absorber.

• Results in selecting only ~300 reconstructed events

Make a comparison of reconstructed momenta in upstream&downstream trackers.

Quick and easy, not final solution...





Blue – US reconstructed MC.Mean = 208.475 MeV/c, RMS = 6.252Red – DS reconstructed MC.Mean = 191.643 MeV/c, RMS = 6.430Black – US MC dataMean = 207.263 MeV/c, RMS = 3.249Green – DS MC dataMean = 193.546 MeV/c, RMS = 3.251



Energy Loss plots





- Mean (roughly) in agreement.



MC data only – good comparison with T. Carlisle's MC results above.
Slightly higher mean.

>Clear landau distribution, will be easy enough to make a fit.



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Distribution reflected around maximum.

- Could be possible to see landau asymmetry with more events..



Increased momentum selection range to 200±20 MeV.
Reflect distribution around mean. (Red is reflected)
Landau distribution now more clear..



Comments/Conclusions



Difference in mean momenta in Upstream and Downstream tracker is around 14MeV, but large error

- Reflecting distribution of energy loss potentially indicates landau, good to compare with MC.
 - More stats needed redo MC with muon tracks only.

➢ Resolution on Energy loss measurement will be an issue

Tracker resolution ~ 3MeV (improvements coming?)

Can potentially improve measurement by using other detectors:

- TOF can measure momentum with resolution ~ 4MeV
- ➢ EMR ~2MeV?
- ≻ KL?

Lots of work to do!



Thank you – Questions?

