GEM – a bit more realistic response Radoslaw Karabowicz, GSI

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GEM - intro

GEM - Gas
Electron
Multiplier

 readout plane divided into strips (200 µm width)



- two different perpendicular strip orientations per readout plane implemented
- records trajectory position

GEM Tracker

- record track position at 3 stations at z≈120,150,190cm
- each station has two drift volumes and two sensitive planes: front and back (and therefore 4 different strip orientations)



Active drift volumes

Previous implementation - record MC points position at the outer amplification foils



Current implementation - record MC points positions at the entrance to and exit from the drift volume - it enables better simulation of the signal along the particle trajectory

Realistic digitization

- Recorded positions:
- The drift volume thickness is lcm



• The particle trajectory in the drift volume can be approximated by a straight line even for small momenta tracks

Realistic digitization

• Previously, for a MC point corresponding strips were fired

FireStrips((pnt->GetIn()+pnt->GetOut())/2.);

• Currently, a particle trajectory inside the volume is divided into 1000 pieces, and each piece fires strips assuming charge diffusion:

for (Int_tidiv = 0; idiv < 1000; idiv++) {

FireStrips(pnt->GetIn()+idiv*(pnt->GetOut()-pnt->GetIn()/1000+Smearing);

Realistic digitization, result

GEMDigi/DigiCharge:GEMDigi/ChannelNr {GEMDigi.fDetectorld==585105728&&GEMDigi.fTimeStamp==1&&GEMDigi.fChannelNr<120}



Cluster finder



Example of cluster finder finder results for the different strip views.

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Time-based digitization

- The strips are fired with a fTimeStamp, which adds up:
 - event time
 - particle tof
 - signal tof to electronics

Time-based digitization

GEMDigiNormal.fTimeStamp:EventHeader.fEventTime {abs(EventHeader.fMCEntryNo-40)<10&&abs(GEMDigiNormal.fTimeStamp-450)<100}



Summary

- The initial version of the realistic detector response implemented including the charge diffusion and time response
- Simplistic clusterization implemented
- Reconstruction still bases on the MC events' structure
- Future: use the time stamp information
- The changes are already in trunk SVN