

# SciTil related software updates

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### Definition of TOF-PID Probability

- Derive the corresponding "calculated" time-of-flights
  - 1  $\rightarrow$  reconstructed track length
  - $p \rightarrow$  reconstructed momentum
  - $m_i \rightarrow$  mass assumption
    - Proton, kaon, pion, muon, electron





- Generate a normalized Gaussian
  - Around calculated time-of-flight
  - Time-of-flight resolution corresponding to the parameters of the track
    - Resolution in momentum, track length and time
- Probabilities are derived from the Gaussian, at measured time-of-flight
  - Time stamp in SciTil
- Final pdf has to be normalized using the probabilities of all particle species





# Determination of Time-of-flight resolution

- Tof resolution of effected by:
  - Intrinsic time resolution of SciTil
    - $\sigma = 100 \text{ ps}$  (current implementation)
  - Track length resolution
  - Momentum resolution
  - Particle species
- Evaluation of Tof resolution using MC simulations
  - Investigation of Tof σ as a function of the tracking parameters

- Pandaroot, trunk 28975
- Full Geometry
- Boxed Generator
  - Proton, kaon, pion, muon, electron
  - $10^6$  events
  - 0.05 3 GeV/c
  - $\Theta = 20 140$
- Perfect T0 estimated



#### TOF distribution for protons (pTrans = 1.5-1.6 GeV/c HitPosition = 40-46cm)

- Evaluation of Tof resolution effected by binning effects
  - e.g.: momentum range, track length range, . . .
- "Residual Tof"
  - $t_{res} = t_{measured} t_{calculated}$



















- $P_{trans} > 0.5 \text{ GeV/c}$ 
  - $\sigma_{_{Tof}} \sim 110 \ ps$
- $P_{trans} < 0.5 \text{ GeV/c}$ 
  - Particle with low p<sub>trans</sub> can't reach the SciTil directly

$$- Tof \sigma \approx \frac{1.4 * 10^{-3}}{p_{trans}^4} + 0.103$$

- Statistic for low p<sub>trans</sub> is rather low!



#### residual Tof sigma for proton

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For light particles more complicated

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- $\sigma_{Tof}$  depens also on  $p_{total}$ 
  - Scattering probability
- Investigations are ongoing

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#### residual Tof sigma for electron

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### Implementation in Pandaroot

- First version of SciTil based PID implemented in Pandaroot
  - "residual TOF method"
  - Resolution of the TOF system set to a fixed value
    - $\sigma_{Tof} = 110 \text{ ps}$
    - Good estimation for particle which can "directly escape"
  - Still perfect T0 estimated

#### PID stage

- Add new task
  - PndPidSciTAssociatorTask \*assSciT= new PndPidSciTAssociatorTask();
  - fRun->AddTask(assSciT);

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### Outlook

- Updating implementation according to current detector development
  - Current test beam results
    - Intrinsic time resolution  $\rightarrow$  54 ps
- Check (and improve) the track propagation to the SciTil
  - $P_{trans} < 0.5 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Evaluating  $\sigma_{Tof}$  function for all particle species
  - Implementation in Pandaroot
- Investigate the separation in  $\sigma$ 
  - Different particle species

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- PID based on SciTil
- Online T0 algorithm

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### Motivation

- Decent time information of pp annihilation with target (=t0) is necessary
  - for TOF, PID, pattern recognition, event sorting, ..
- T0 is needed online even with a limited precision for an event selection
- TOF counters (SciTil and FTOF) have the best time resolutions hence they have a high potential to play an indispensable role to deduce (online) t0.

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### Basic principle

- For calculation of t0 it needs:
  - tracking information, PID, mass and momentum
- Assuming just average values
  - $\Delta t0 \sim 1 \text{ ns}$
- Calculating t0 using the most typical path length and momentum is equivalent to shifting the time stamp distribution by a typical time-of-flight to t0.
  - SciTil
    - Flight path ~ 0.5 1.5 m
    - Flight time ~ 2 6 ns

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We study the potential performance of the online t0 calculation using TOF counter, also taking into account the influence of secondary particles

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# Time stamp distribution for equidistant tiles

- Typical time-of-flight is correlated with the production theta angle at the collision point
  - corrected shift on the time stamps respective to z-position of the hit
- Evaluate the typical time-of-flight for every z-position
  - Detector is sliced into 60 rings of equidistant scintillating tiles
  - The time stamp distribution for every ring was simulated to receive the typical time of flight

#### Ring of equidistant scintillators

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### Time stamp distribution for equidistant tiles

- A typical distribution for an equidistant ring
  - Including secondaries
  - Mean = 4.7 ns, Peak = 2.6 ns
  - $\sigma = 4.6 \text{ ns}, \text{FWHM} = 0.3 \text{ ns}$
- Secondaries support this structure
  - For more details join the SciTil session

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### Time shift parameters

- Mean and peak position as a function of the z position
- The used value of central tendency must be chosen accordingly to the used algorithm to determine t0

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### Time based simulation

Distribution of measured and peak aligned timestamps

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### First time stamp method

- A very simple an good estimator of the peak position and therefore of t0 is the first "peak-aligned" time stamp per event
  - The plot shows the distribution of the final t0s per event using the fastest "peak-aligned" time stamp
    - Mean = 0.6 ns, Peak = 0.0 ns
    - $\sigma = 2.3 \text{ ns}, \text{FWHM} = 0.3 \text{ ns}$
- Only taking into account the SciTil a t0 time resolution of σ = 2.3 ns is achieved

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### Half sample mode

- No previous event separation in online reconstruction
- "half sample mode" (HSM)
  - Simple cluster finding algorithm
  - Search for the shortest interval which is containing half of the timestamps in a defined interval
  - Iteratively repeat on the so found intervals till only 2 time stamps are left
  - The first one is chosen as T0 for the event
- Advantage of HSM (and similar) is the functionality in a continuously read out
- HSM for single events
  - Mean = 1.3 ns, Peak = 0.1 ns
  - $\sigma = 3.4 \text{ ns}, \text{FWHM} = 0.4 \text{ ns}$

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### Influences of particle multiplicity in SciTil

- First time stamp method
  - $\sigma_1 = 3.7 \text{ ns} \Rightarrow \sigma_{10} = 0.4 \text{ ns}$
- => including the time stamps of the FTOF should increase the accuracy further

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### Suppress slow particles

- Distinguish between fast and slow particles by energy loss in SciTil
  - No correlation between the energy loss and the flight time of the particles is observed

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### Summary

- We studied an simple and fast algorithm to estimate t0 based on the timing information of the TOF counters
  - Due to the limited scope of this study only the SciTil was taken into account
- It is evident that the secondaries provide an additional and useful information for the t0 estimation
- It was shown that T0 can be calculated by using the position information of the SciTil and the corresponding typical time of flight
  - Using the "first time stamp method" a t0 resolution of  $\sigma = 2.3$  ns was achieved.
- Using the additional energy loss information provided by the SciTil lead to no enhancement so far
- Increase in accuracy is expected once the FTOF information is taken into account

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# Thank you for your attention

# for more information please join the SciTil Session