Converted and nonconverted photons in the TPOL calorimeter

Measuring differences in data and comparison to GEANT expectations

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The case - converted and nonconverted photons

- Preradiator of 1X₀ of lead causes 54% of the Compton photons to convert
 - Conversion is necessary to get charged particles measurable by silicon planes
 - An eta-y (or average energy response) measured with combined silicon and calorimeter data is therefore representative for the case of some special converted photons

> Is there a difference between converted and nonconverted photons?

- Any difference should have a direct influence on the way we model our data
- This would include estimations of an Analyzing Power using some eta-y
- Induces need of extrapolation of a 'silicon eta-y' to a 'polarimeter eta-y'
- If so, can this difference be estimated and used for an extrapolation to the polarimeter case?



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- Are the moving edges an artefact of the edge fit?
 - Compare silicon data with enriched converted and nonconverted photons
 - ➢ Not an artefact!

The edges are really moving!



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 - Polarimeter data taken at the same time
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 - Applied the same conversion factor for ADC channels -> GeV as in Silicon data
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A bit of shower theory - What could induce such a difference?

- 1st guess: preradiator represents dead material in front of the calo
 - Upon conversion some energy is lost in the preradiator
 - Fluctuations of the energy loss should contribute to the energy resolution
 - Converted photons should have on average less energy than nonconverted photons
 - Converted photons should have a worse energy resolution
 - \rightarrow Obviously not the case here...
- 2nd guess: energy leaking from the calorimeter

The TPOL calorimeter has finite lateral sizes and is only around 20X₀ deep

- Lateral there should be no difference between the sizes of showers of converted and nonconverted photons
- But showers induced by photons start on average 9/7 X₀ deeper inside the calorimeter than those of charged particles
 - Photon showers are less contained on the backplane
 - Longitudinal leakage is therefore larger for photons than for converted photons and its fluctuation should contribute to the energy resolution

 \rightarrow Looks better in both aspects...

Energy leakage - Illustration with Geant MC

- 2nd guess: energy leaking from the calorimeter
 - examples of showers in the Geant MC:

9GeV converted photon





Energy leakage - In the GEANT Monte Carlo

- Fractional mean energy leaking from the calorimeter
 - shows approx. log(E) behaviour as expected
 - leveling off at low energies possibly due to lateral leakage
 - And yes, photons lose more than converted ones!
- Fractional width of energy leaking from the calorimeter
 - Fluctuations are highly non-gaussian
 - show also approx. log(E) behaviour
 - And yes, photons fluctuate more than converted ones!
 - Fluctuations should contribute to the energy resolution, presumably via a constant term.



Energy leakage - Can it account for the observed differences?

- Compare silicon data samples with enriched converted and nonconverted photons
- Ratio shows a constant behaviour
 - overall energy response as function of y same for all types of events
 - especially lateral leakage doesn't change on that scale
- Measure relative difference
 - Enriched photon sample: Require no clusters at all in x- or y-plane
 - Complete mixture with given conversion fraction of 54%
 - Impurities by converted photons leaving no cluster and efficiency for uncorrelated hits > 0
 - Very low-energetic overlayed Bremsstrahlungs photons can be enriched: they convert with a lower fraction
 - Measured difference can be displayed as a function of one absolute value

Size of difference is very well in agreement with the expectations from the GEANT MC!



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 - Hardware effects like gap or W-PB border...
- Two main shower components also related to the longitudinal shower development
 - Only the long one will leak and change the fraction of the energy shared between the components
 - But the induced difference is negligible! Also for an Online-Analyzing Power!
 - Expect more differences from the 3rd attenuation component itself → need extrapolation of 'silicon eta-y' to 'polarimeter eta-y'
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