# **TB2020** Bremsstrahlung Study

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# **TB2020** Alpide Telescope Alignment



Idea is to use 2020 desy testbeam data to reconstruct the dispersion of bremsstrahlung photons, in particular the polar angle of the brem emission.



#### Initial Electron Polar Angle



### OLD Monte Carlo Initial Electron Polar Angle



Now have a more complete Monte Carlo! Includes full charge deposition, propagation and digitisation treatment and a clustering algorithm equivalent to that applied to the real data

Clustering means all adjacent (touching) pixel hits are grouped, then the mean position is returned

 $\rightarrow$  more realistic single-event oneplane resolution

0.9

0.8 0.7 0.6

0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2

0.1

y (pixels)

455

450

445

550

555

560

565

570

x (pixels)



#### Monte Carlo Intermediate Brem Gamma Polar Angle



Make fits from approximative function for  $\theta$  found in the physics reference for Geant4:

The sampling of this distribution is complicated. It is also only an approximation to within a few percent, due at least to the presence of the atomic form factors. The angular dependence is contained in the variable  $u = E\theta m^{-1}$ . For a given value of u the dependence of the shape of the function on Z, E and  $\epsilon = k/E$  is very weak. Thus, the distribution can be approximated by a function

$$f(u) = C\left(ue^{-au} + due^{-3au}\right)$$

where

$$C = \frac{9a^2}{9+d} \qquad a = 0.625 \qquad d = 27$$

where E is in GeV. While this approximation is good at high energies, it becomes less accurate around a few MeV. However in that region the ionisation losses dominate over the radiative losses. The sampling of the function f(u) can be done with three random numbers  $r_i$ , uniformly distributed on the interval [0,1]:



The fit is not great, until one restricts fitting only to the initial peak (0 - 0.3 mrad)

Choice of the limit of fitting is a bit arbitrary?

Some more complex action affecting the tails?



Application to real data! We can extract a maximum & a width, then compare to the full Monte Carlo fit... any difference between these we *may* ascribe to uncertainty on the theoretical theta distribution..

I working with this function to try to fit better where we can parameterise the difference between MC & data as some general factor of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ 

Better statistics for MC in the pipeline...



For a final result, we can take a bounds of the real divergence of the brem mechanism, and with comparison to Geant4, which created this plot, recalculate the yields expected for positrons

This can be done assuming no dependence on theta with photon energy (true in MC)

### backup





