Development of the time-of-flight particle identification for future Higgs factories

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Motivation for time-of-flight particle ID at the

future Higgs factory

Indicators vs. PID efficiency



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Time-of-flight particle ID is great complementary tool to dE/dx (dN/dx) in gaseous detectors And is only available particle identification tool for fully Si detector designs

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Extraction of the separation power Barrel region / perfect time resolution of the closest ECAL hit

Sep.Power = $\frac{|\mu_1 - \mu_2|}{\sqrt{0.5(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}}$



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Separation power vs time-of-flight resolution



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Track length impact arXiv:2107.02031 Helix approximation (bad) Iterate hit-by-hit (good) $\ell_{\text{track}} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \ell_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\varphi_{i+1} - \varphi_i}{\Omega_i}\right)^2 + (z_{i+1} - z_i)^2}$ $\ell_{\rm track} = \frac{|\varphi_{\rm end} - \varphi_{\rm start}|}{|\Omega|} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \lambda}$ NEW track length / 0 ps / endcap OLD track length / 0 ps / endcap mass (GeV) 1.2 mass (GeV) .2 0.8 0.8 0.6 0.6 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 0 0 6 8 10 12 14 0 Δ 6 8 10 12 2 14 p (GeV) p (GeV) Considerable improvement in the endcap! Plots use TPC with 220 radial hits Large number of track hits is important for track length measurement

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Realistic implementations inside a detector



E.g. LGADs Si sensors time resolution < 50 ps

Detector design has constraints:

- precise timing \rightarrow higher power consumption
- higher power consumption \rightarrow more money
- higher power consumption \rightarrow more space & material for active cooling

What about synchronization across a large detector?

- Clock jitter between electronic elements?
- Precision of determining t_{EVENT} ?

Comparison of three realistic scenarios

1st ECAL layer with LGADs (~30 ps hit time resolution)



$$TOF = \frac{t_{\text{front strip}} + t_{\text{back strip}}}{2}; \qquad \Delta TOF = \frac{\Delta t_{\text{hit}}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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Comparison of three realistic scenarios



Time-of-flight resolution per particle is roughly the same for all realistic options.

Combining many hits give:

 $\sigma_{\rm TOF} \sim \frac{\sigma_{\rm hit}}{\sqrt{n}}$

Need a more realistic digitization simulation (energy/threshold effects on hit time resolution)

Time-of-flight using many hits



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Summary

- Time-of-flight particle ID is being recognized as a valuable tool for future Higgs factory detectors
- Time-of-flight particle ID is intrinsically limited at higher momentum by non time-of-flight parameters, e.g. track length, momentum
- Many hits can be combined in various ways to achieve good time resolution per particle. Follow up work is ongoing to show this with realistic simulation of the digitizer response

Back up: math for TOF algorithm

$$\ell_{\text{track}} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \ell_{i} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\varphi_{i+1} - \varphi_{i}}{\Omega_{i}}\right)^{2} + (z_{i+1} - z_{i})^{2}} \qquad p_{i} = e\frac{|B_{z}|}{|\Omega_{i}|}\sqrt{1 + \tan^{2}\lambda_{i}}$$
$$\beta = \frac{\ell_{\text{track}}}{c \cdot \text{TOF}} \qquad p = \sqrt{\langle p^{2} \rangle_{HM}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^{n} \ell_{i} / \sum_{i=0}^{n} \frac{\ell_{i}}{p_{i}^{2}}}$$

$$m = \frac{p}{\beta}\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$$

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Back up: new track length results for the barrel



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