
Subject: Energy loss in MVD

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Dear all,

Laura has fixed the calculation of the reconstructed dE/dx in `PndPidCorrelator` class. You can try to run `macro/pid` macros and to plot the dE/dx from `PidCandidate`.

If I shoot the detector with 1GeV/c muons, I have the following dE/dx distribution:

(unity: GeV/cm).

Just fitting the distribution with a landau (as it should be), we obtain the following values:

MPV: 2.83 MeV/cm

sig: 0.23 MeV/cm

If we consider the silicon density $\rho = 2.33 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$\rightarrow dE/dx \sim 1.21 \text{ [MeV cm}^2 / \text{g]}$

I would like to ask to MVD experts how much is the "theoretical value", I would suppose you have already some tables with the correct values.

We have also compared the reconstructed dE/dx with the MonteCarlo value, and the results seem in agreement, but I would like to know what is coming from "physics" before believing blindly in simulation.

Thanks in advance.

File Attachments

1) [mvd_dedx.gif](#), downloaded 1339 times

