# Status of reconstruction in ECAL and barrel-endcap bridging

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## **Requirements on ECAL design from physics analyses**

#### Prompt photons:

- interested in  $p_T > 3-4$  GeV, high background from  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ , etc.
- Requirement: energy resolution at high (> 5 GeV) energies,  $\pi/\gamma$  separation

#### Charmonia ( $\chi_{c1}$ , $\chi_{c2}$ ):

- need to separate  $\chi_{c1},\,\chi_{c2}$  from decay into J/ $\psi\,\gamma$
- Requirement: energy resolution at low (< 1 GeV) energies

#### Online polarizability measurement:

- measure azimuthal asymmetry of  $\pi^0$  production
- Requirement: energy and position resolution,  $\pi/\gamma$  separation

## **Current reconstruction workflow**

1) per-cell energy calibration: energy deposition in scintillator layers  $\rightarrow$  energy deposition in the entire cell

2) clustering: identifying groups of neighboring cells

3) reconstruction: get particle position and energy from cluster using empirical expressions, barrel/endcap are reconstructed separately

4)  $\pi/\gamma$  ID: based on cluster shape analysis

Caveats:

- empirical calibrations in the reconstruction step sensitive to ECAL setup, maintenance is timeconsuming
- no reconstruction of individual photons in case of  $\pi 0$  ID (yet)
- only full simulation of ECAL showers
- barrel and endcap reconstructed are not bridged at this point



## **Barrel/endcap bridging**

• not implemented yet: if a photon hits the gap between barrel and endcap, two clusters are reconstructed

Questions:

- what is the selection criteria for bridged clusters?
- how to reconstruct energy?
- how to reconstruct position?



Gamma ID efficiency: events with 1 cluster, PID=22

#### **Energy reconstruction of bridged clusters**

Comparing two reconstructions:

1) standard reconstruction in barrel for polar angle  $45^{\circ} < \theta < 60^{\circ}$ 

2) bridged reconstruction where energy was reconstructed as sum of barrel annd endcap clusters



Bias within acceptable limits Strange(?) effect with better energy resolution at low energies

# **Position reconstruction of bridged clusters**

Two methods:

1) position of the bridged cluster is the position of the barrel cluster

# 2) position of the bridged cluster is the weighted sum of positions of barrel/endcap clusters

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Position of barrel cluster still has some bias: possibly due to energy-dependent position corrections  $\rightarrow$  for position correction, use sum of barrel+endcap energies, not barrel energy?

#### **Selection criteria for bridging**



proposed criteria:  $0.805 < \cos(\theta_{\text{barrel}}) < 0.85$ ;  $\Delta(\cos(\theta)) < 0.03$ ;  $|\Delta \phi| < 0.04$ 

## **Conclusions and outlook**

- When bridging, summing energies of barrel and endcap clusters is sufficiently precise for energy reconstruction;
- for position reconstruction, taking the position of the barrel cluster is sufficient as temporary solution: need updated energy-dependent calibrations for gap region;
- selection criteria for bridging two clusters:  $0.805 < \cos(\theta_{\text{barrel}}) < 0.85$ ;  $\Delta(\cos(\theta)) < 0.03$ ;  $|\Delta \phi| < 0.04$ .

Next steps:

- implement bridging of barrel/endcap clusters in ECAL;
- continue the work of researching the application of machine learning to reconstruction in ECAL, including energy/position reconstruction of  $\pi^0$  if identified accordingly.