



the Monte Carlo Simulation of the Zero Degree Calorimeter

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The ZDC MC implementation is mainly contributed by Dr. Shimizu, and I visited RIKEN to take over the MC wrok in at the end of last November. The materials given here are mostly provided by Dr. Shimizu and Dr. Goto.

The Electron Ion Collider





Auxiliary detectors needed to tag particles with very small scattering angles both in the outgoing lepton and hadron beam direction.



Far forward and backward detectors provide vital information for the reaction kinematics of the colliding systems.

Far-Forward Detectors





Zero Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)



A calorimeter for measuring photons and neutrons. ZDC sits at about 30m from the interaction point.



Physics Related to ZDC



incoherent

It I (GeV²

coherent

1 < Q² < 10 GeV x < 0.01

- > Spectator tagging in $e + d/^{3}He$ collisions
 - Neutron structure, spin structure
 - Proton by BO/Roman pots and neutron by ZDC



Intra-nuclear cascading increases with d (forward particle production)

Leads to evaporation of nucleons from excited nucleus (very forward)

- \succ *e* + *A* collision at small angle
 - Determination of excited nucleus breakup

d pol.

Veto with evaporated neutrons and photons from de-excitation

High-energy process

Forward

- Collision geometry characterization in e + A collisions
 - Correlated to neutron multiplicity
 - Study of nuclear matter effect

Meson structure via Sullivan Process

- Measure neutron or $\Lambda(\rightarrow n + 2\gamma)$ in far-forward region
 - Structure of π , K, etc.

$e^{-/\nu/e^{+}}$ $e^{-/e^{+}}$, $\chi^{2^{0}}, W^{\pm}$ $\chi^{\pi^{0}}, \pi^{+}, K^{0}, K^{+}, B^{0}$ $p', n', \Lambda', \Sigma^{+}, \Sigma^{+}_{b}$

And more...

Performance Requirements

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> Challenge: large energy coverage, detailed reconstruction of photon and neutron showers

Current ZDC Design



- A composition of four different calorimeter configurations

*note: space for readout may extend the longitudinal length.



Design Concept: Full Shower Reconstruction



Meas. of hadron energy

Transverse granularity



<u>Scintillator</u> 10cm x 10cm

Simulation Performance



- Geant4 simulation uses energy deposits, not the scintillated photons.
- ➤ Clear difference of ZDC response against photons and neutrons → reflecting the difference of their shower development.





- ➤ Some of the service/readout materials are not in the simulation → optimistic estimation.
- > Energy resolution meets requirements.



> Which type of crystal?

	light yield	cost	note
PbWO ₄	low	less expensive	
LYSO	high (>100 x PbWO ₄)	high	good timing resolution
SciGlass	better than PbWO ₄	not high	still in development?

Silicon pixel and readout?

- Finer version of silicon pad?
- ALICE FoCal high-granularity readout?

> AC-LGAD?

- Timing information for particle ID/energy measurement.
- Photon detectors for crystals?



≻History...

PbWO4

- Athena: DD4hep, ECCE: Fun4All
- EPIC has chosen DD4hep for MC development

First MC campaign for detector study has begun

- The Athena version of ZDC is currently used.
- Need to update it to the ECCE/EPIC-style one.
- May need to carry out modification based on specific needs



Monte Carlo Implementation





- > The implementation has been mostly carried out by Dr. Shimizu.
- > We fixed a bug of alignment issue reported by other collaborators (issue #309).
- The ZDC complex rotation has been modified to have a consistency in codes between Athena & ECCE version. Merged to the EPIC github already.

Monte Carlo Implementation





- Discrepancy in energy deposit/spread between silicon pad & pixel layers understood (issue #1020)
- Further debugging on-going.

Next Steps





- Current ZDC design has been constructed and merged to EPIC GitHub
- Digging into details of ZDC codes \rightarrow bug fixing & design changes in the future.
- Infrastructure for hit reconstruction \rightarrow be prepared for the next simulation campaign.
- Join the effort of ZDC shower with machine learning (?)