dE/dx-Check for 250 GeV Test-Production 2

Looks good

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Reminder: With default parameters, the dE/dx resolution in the new test production is worse than the 2018 production (and than test beam results)

The probable cause for this is a new geant version, which has a wider and slightly overall lower hit energy distribution.





After correction by reducing the (democratic) smearing factor, the resolution returns to previous levels, but differences in resolution values of different species arising from looking at different areas of $\beta \gamma$ for each species are enhanced.







• To compare resolution with test beam, define fiducial electrons:

3 GeV < p < 10 GeV

 $1^{\circ} < |\lambda| < 10^{\circ}$

#Hits > 200

 In the end, the smearing factor was chosen so that fiducial electrons have a dE/dx-resolution comparable to test beam results: 4.4%







Relative dE/dx resolution distribution for fiducial electrons

- Fiducial electrons: 4.5%
- Other species: between
 4.6% and 5.2%
- This is worse than in the 2018 production (all < 4.6%), but more realistic!
- Similarly, the estimated separation powers between species are slightly worse than 2018, but still comparable.





Test Production 2







Test Production 2 – Additional Dependencies



Relative dE/dx distribution over number of hits with p>1GeV and |lambda|<20deg for pions from all entries

- Dependence of dE/dx-resolution on number of hits clearly visible.
- Expected behaviour:

 $\sigma \sim N^{-0.47}$





Tset Production 2 – Additional Dependencies



- Dependence on angle lambda (or theta), related to track length in the TPC (or track length per hit).
- Expected behaviour:

 $\sigma \sim L^{-0.35}$

• Further studies and more data needed to investigate interplay and remaining impact of smearing factor.





- dE/dx-resolution was successfully investigated and recalibrated.
- Fiducial electrons have a resolution comparable to test beam results.
- With reduced impact of smearing factor additional expected dependencies become visible, need more time and data to fully assess.

• We're good to go!



