

Gamma-ray Large

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CAL features and idiosyncrasies.

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Long list of unexpected features ...

- Retriggering
 - Seen at low FLE/FHE thresholds or at high gain
 - Is not a problem at flight configuration
- Nonlinearity
 - Preamp nonlinearity measured by charge injection and taken into account
 - Crosstalk from FLE/FHE discriminator to preamp significant at low FLE/FHE, but could be neglected at flight configuration
- Some additional nonlinearity features, necessary to explain charge injection measurements with different gains and charge injection capacitors (ongoing study)
 - Nonlinearity of Charge injection DAC
 - DAC "pedestal" (DAC=0 injects nonzero charge)
- Incorrect best range selection or range numbering
 - Seen in Engineering Module beam test data from GSI: some crystals have end to end ratio ~8 (data specify the same range numbers for both ends, but in reality they were different).
 - Could be related to incorrect setting of range decision delay
 - Never tested for LAT (need high energy depositions at significant rate and data collection with "autoranging")
- Shaped readout noise
 - Affects energy and position measurements
 - Could be calibrated for LAT (see later in this talk) and should be corrected in reconstruction
- Crosstalk from LE diode to HE diode
 - Seen for FM119
 - Could affect nonlinearity in HEX8 and HEX1 ranges
 - Should be calibrated for LAT (modification of calibGen script required) and corrected in reconstruction
 - Should be verified by test beam linearity measurement (in the energy range 0.4-8.0 GeV)



This presentation is focused on

Two selected features:

GLAST LAT Project

- Shaped readout noise
- Crosstalk from Low Energy diode to High Energy diode
- Why?
 - They are recently found
 - Significantly affect the result of energy/position measurement
 - Require modification of calibration/reconstruction procedure



Shaped readout noise – some history

- The resulting effects were seen since Engineering Module testing at NRL in 2003
 - Non-gaussian component in the pedestal shape (broad and asymmetric, but with usually with low probability)
 - We were unable to interpret this effect because there was no timing information at microsecond level.
- First real detection with 2-tower configuration in June 2005 (http://www-

glast.slac.stanford.edu/IntegrationTest/SVAC/Instrument_Analysis/Workshop-4/Talks/CAL_readout_noise_study.pdf)

- Noise signal in many channels, decreasing exponentially with GemDeltaEventTime (time constant ~ 4 μ s corresponds to slow shaper)
- Based on trigger run 135001500 effect was easy to see due to high retriggering rate (huge statistics at small GemDeltaEventTime)
- Biggest signal ~10 MeV
- in some channels the noise signal was negative
- Confirmed in B2 run for 3 channels with biggest effect
- For full LAT effect confirmed by Eric Grove in December 2005 (http://wwwglast.slac.stanford.edu/IntegrationTest/SVAC/Instrument_Analysis/Meetings/01272006/MoreShapedReadoutNoise.pdf)
 - Zero suppression doesn't allow to see the effect if it is less than LAC threshold (~2 MeV) at both ends of the same crystal
 - We cannot turn zero suppression off, because this introduces long dead time and the effect becomes invisible.
 - We would like to correct for this effect and so we need to calibrate it for all calorimeter channels



How to calibrate shaped readout noise ?

- One proposed solution intentionally set LAC thresholds below pedestals, but only for limited number of channels (to avoid increase of dead time)
 - We tried this solution for FM119 with the help of our colleagues working in Italy - it works, but takes a lot of time (especially for full LAT)
- Natural solution use 10 Hz periodic trigger events, included in flight trigger setup with multiple trigger engines
 - 5 runs (15 minutes each) have just been collected on Feb, 22
 - Because of some software bug (non-zero event markers) all events except periodic trigger were discarded from Ntuples
 - So I got a clean sample
 - 45K periodic triggers
 - 4 range readout
 - no zero suppression
 - no extra dead time





Calibration procedure

- Select events with GemConditionsWord == 32
- For each channel plot profile histogram: CalXtalAdcPed [twr][lyr][col][face]:GemDeltaEventTime*0.05
- Fit it with following function for 26.5<dt<60:
 - Signal = ped+peak*exp(-(dt-tdead)/tshp), tshp = 4.2µs, tdead=26.5 µs
- Store two fit parameters:
 - Peak noise value right after dead time (at dt=26.5µs)
 - Ped noise value at dt=60 µs (pedestal bias ?)



Examples of histograms





It is not always perfect ...



- Some histograms have small (~5 adc units) but statistically significant deviations from exponential function:
 - Other sources of coherent noise?

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Noise amplitude vs colum and layer (for all 16 towers)



- Big positive noise amplitudes exist in columns 5, 6 and 7 (in certain layers)
- Negative amplitudes in layer 7 only, in columns 5,7 for face=0 and columns 4,6 for face=1
- Big amplitude at one face usually corresponds to small amplitude at the opposite face of the same crystal
- Similar pattern for all towers



How to explain the pattern ?

- Column 5 (or 6) is the closest to digital data transmission line
 - This possibly could explain that the biggest noise signals are in these columns
 - Why it is layer dependent ?
- Another factor: data transmission from each row starts from columns 0 and 11 and ends on columns 5 and 6
 - Columns 5 and 6 are the last ones accessed before the next trigger
- May be TEM experts could look at readout noise pattern on previous slide and recognize some features (time sequence) of AFEE access by TEM ?





Histograms of noise fit parameters for all channels



- Mean value of noise amplitude in all calorimeter channels is 24 adc units = 0.8 MeV
- There is small pedestal bias ~ 3adc units relative to B13 run used for LAT calibration.



Effect on position measurement

- Readout noise is often rather different at opposite faces of the same crystal
 - Could significantly affect the longitudinal position measurement even for modest noise amplitude
 - This effect could be measured for muons by comparing longitudinal position measurement from CAL with coordinate extrapolated from tracker and plotting the difference as a function of GemDeltaEventTime
 - I've done the inverse exercise:
 - Considered that difference in position measurement is produced by the noise signal at one end of crystal
 - Calculated this noise signal and plotted it as a function of GemDeltaEventTime

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Shaped readout noise for muons calculated from position measurement



 This is an alternative way to calibrate shaped readout noise (only determine the difference between two crystal ends)





Shaped readout noise: conclusions

- The systematic effect has been calibrated using periodic trigger events from new trigger setup with multiple trigger engines (LAT701)
- Next step use this calibration to correct the effect during reconstruction.



Crosstalk from Low Energy diode to High Energy diode

- we measure the crosstalk between channels of the same crystal end in standard charge injection calibration procedure (calibGen script):
 - We pulse only LE diode and measure output signals in both LE and HE channels so, we can measure the crosstalk
 - The measured crosstalk value was always ~0.1% and considered insignificant
 - This statement is true only for LE/HE signal ratio ~1 (standard charge injection setup). But for scintillation signals LE/HE ~50, so 0.1% crosstalk from LE diode to HE diode becomes 5% of HE signal and should be taken into account.
 - for scintillation signals HE diode is used when LE diode channel is strongly saturated - we need to measure LE to HE crosstalk in this regime



How can we measure LE to HE crosstalk in realistic conditions

- There is special control bit (CALIBGAIN ON/OFF) which can change the capacitors, used to inject charge in LE and HE diodes
 - CALIBGAIN=ON standard regime
 - CALIBGAIN=OFF:
 - Low Energy capacitor increased by the factor of 10
 - High Energy capacitor decreased by the factor of 10
 - This gives the LE/HE signal ratio ~100, which is two times bigger than for real scintillations
- I tried to do LE to HE crosstalk measurement in this mode for FM119 and I got rather unexpected result.





Crosstalk measurement results for FM119



- Crosstalk ratio to main HEX8 signal vary between 1% and 12%
- difficult to explain the increase of crosstalk for HEX8>500, when LEX1 channel is saturated



LE to HE crosstalk: conclusions

- Effect is not negligible and should be taken into account
- calibGen should be modified to include the charge injection run with flight gains, CALIBGAIN=OFF and LE diode pulsed
- The generation of nonlinearity curves by calibGenCAL should take this crosstalk measurement into account
- The only way to verify this correction with real scintillations is to measure CAL nonlinearity in the energy range 0.4 - 8 GeV during CERN beam test
 - Proposal to be discussed