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A Study of Multi-Shower Discrimination in the New Muon ($g-2$) Calorimeter EMIL FRLEZ, University of Virginia, NEW (G-2) COLLABORATION — We have used a GEANT3 simulation of the New Muon ($g-2$) Calorimeter to study discrimination between single e^+ and double e^+ electromagnetic showers. The calorimeter was defined as a $20 \times 16 \times 16$ RL cm³ box with alternating layers of plastic scintillator and tungsten. Assumed energy resolution was matched to the measured resolution of a detector prototype. An artificial neural network algorithm (ANN) was trained to discriminate between a single positron shower and the background events. The five ANN input variables were: (1) maximum energy deposited in the single module E_M , (2) module index with maximum energy deposition i_M , (3) energy deposition E_{R1} in the ring of modules around i_M , (4) energy deposition E_{R2} in the next-to-nearest-neighbors around i_M , and (5) outer energy sum E_{OUT} . The efficiency of the ANN algorithm in recognizing a single e^+ signal while suppressing false positives (two e^+ 's misidentified as a single) was studied as a function of energy and the calorimeter segmentation. The results were used as an input design parameter for the 2D tracking calorimeter hodoscope.

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