



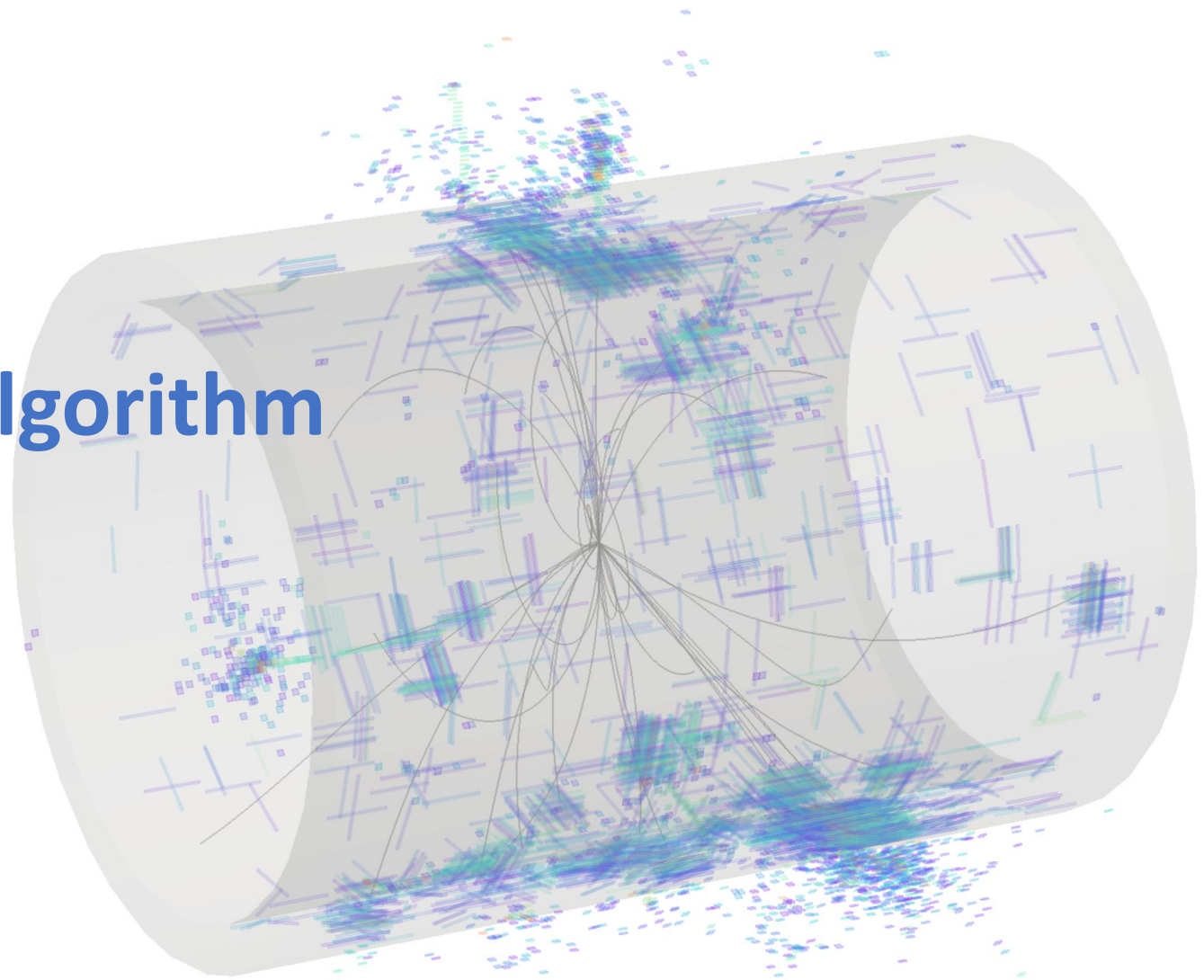
CyberPFA: Particle flow algorithm for crystal bar ECAL

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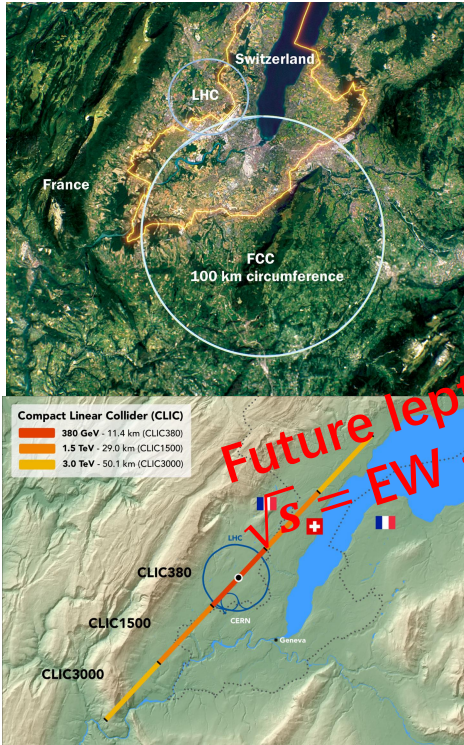


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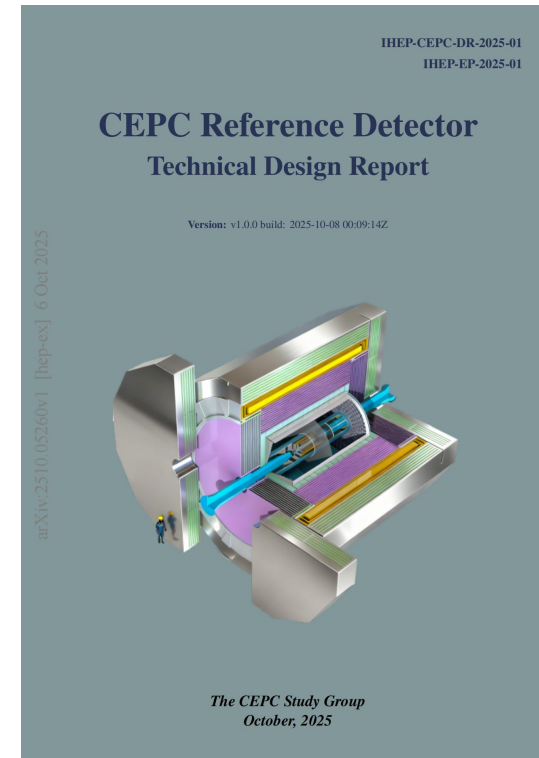
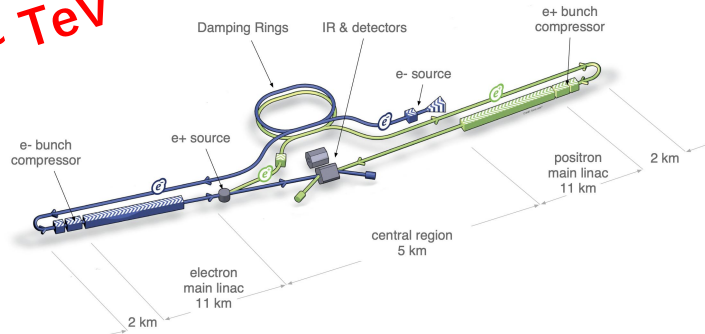
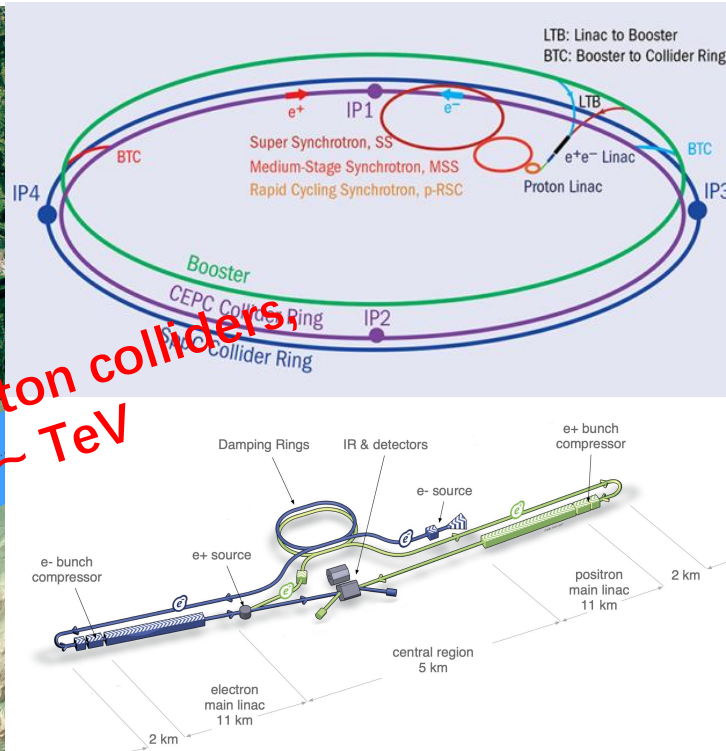
Future lepton collider

- **Physics after Higgs discovery:**

- Precise measurement of Higgs, EW, top, flavor, QCD...
- BSM physics (dark matter, EW phase transition, SUSY, LLP...)



Future lepton collider
 $\sqrt{s} = EW \sim TeV$



arXiv:[2510.05260](https://arxiv.org/abs/2510.05260)



arXiv:[2312.14363](https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.14363)

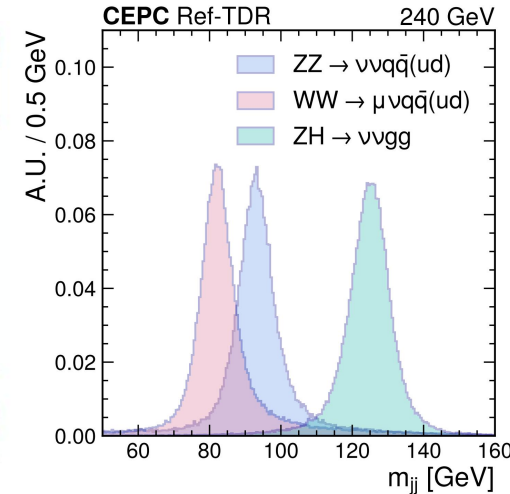
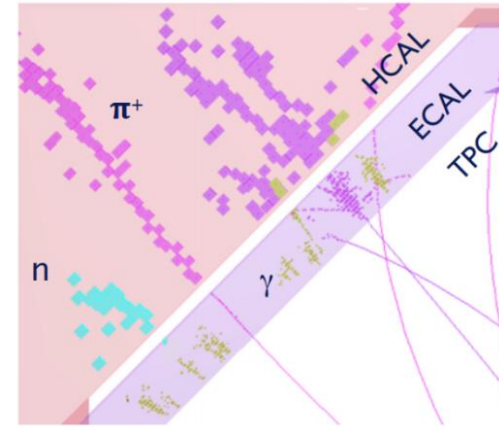
Future lepton collider

- **Detector requirement**

- Separate hadronic final states $W^\pm/Z/H \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
 - **Boson mass resolution (BMR)** $< 4\%$
 - **Jet energy resolution (JER)** $< \frac{30\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 4\%$

- **Particle Flow Approach**

- Measure the jet by its component: $E_{jet} = E_{tracker} + E_{ECAL} + E_{HCAL}$
- Hardware + Software

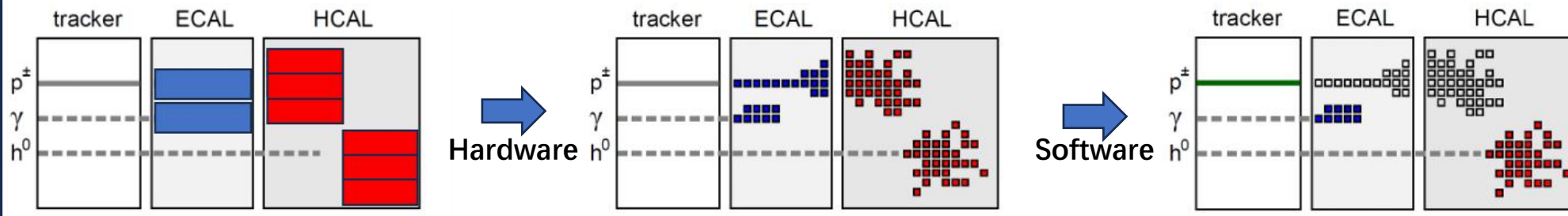


Hardware: separate clusters from different particles.

- High granularity.
- Compact sampling structure.

Software: correctly assign calorimeter energy deposits to the particles.

- Clustering
- Pattern recognition.

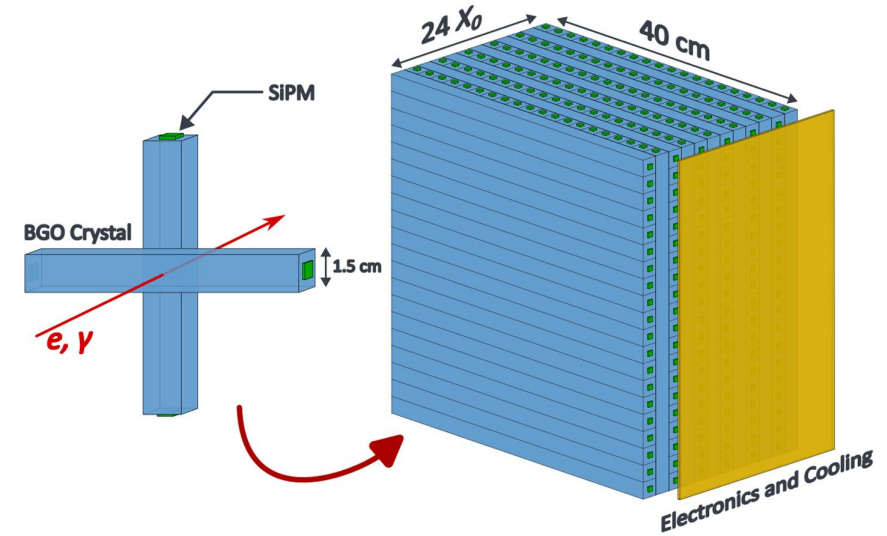


ECAL in CEPC reference detector

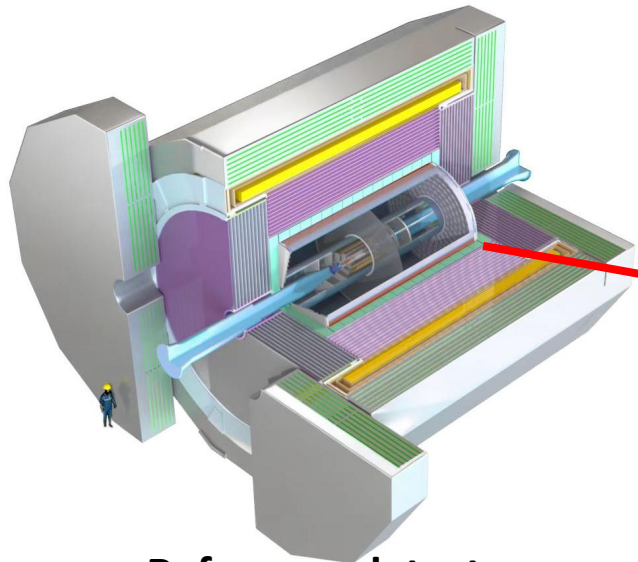


- **Homogeneous crystal bar ECAL**

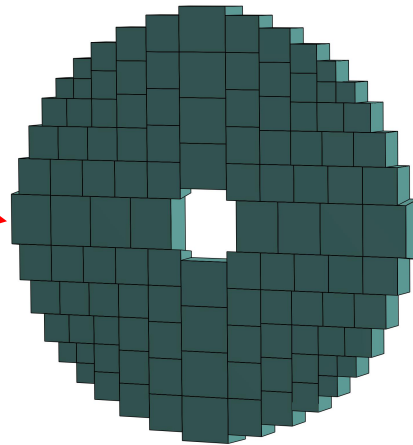
- Optimal intrinsic EM resolution:
 - $\sigma_E/E < 2\%/\sqrt{E}$
- Compatible with PFA
 - Fine transverse and longitudinal segmentation
 - Precise shower position measurement
- Less readout channels



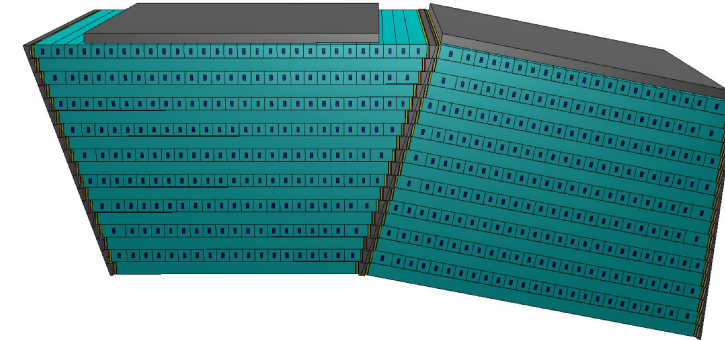
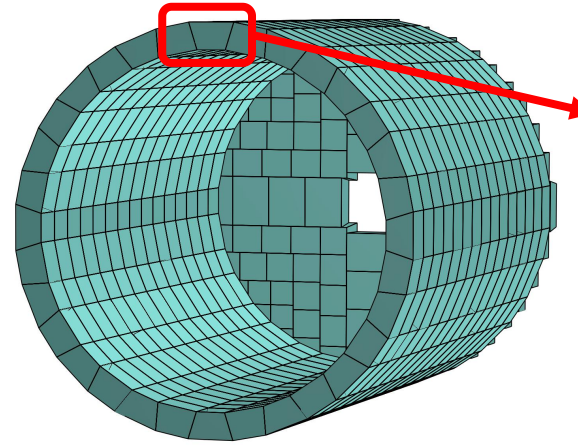
Transverse bar design



Reference detector



ECAL



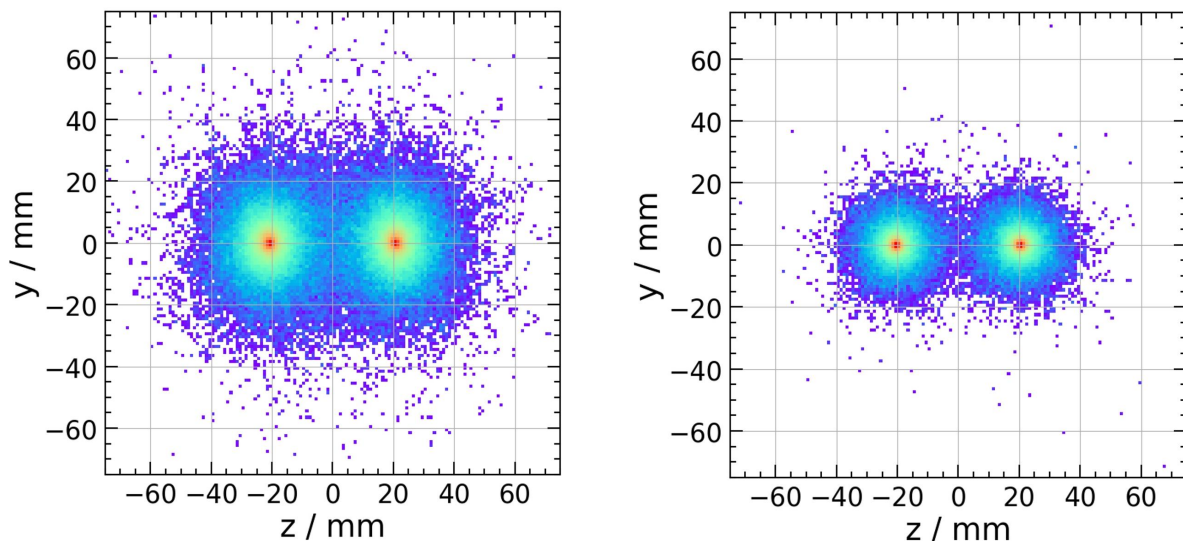
Challenges of PF algorithm



Larger R_M & smaller λ_I/X_0



Shower overlap

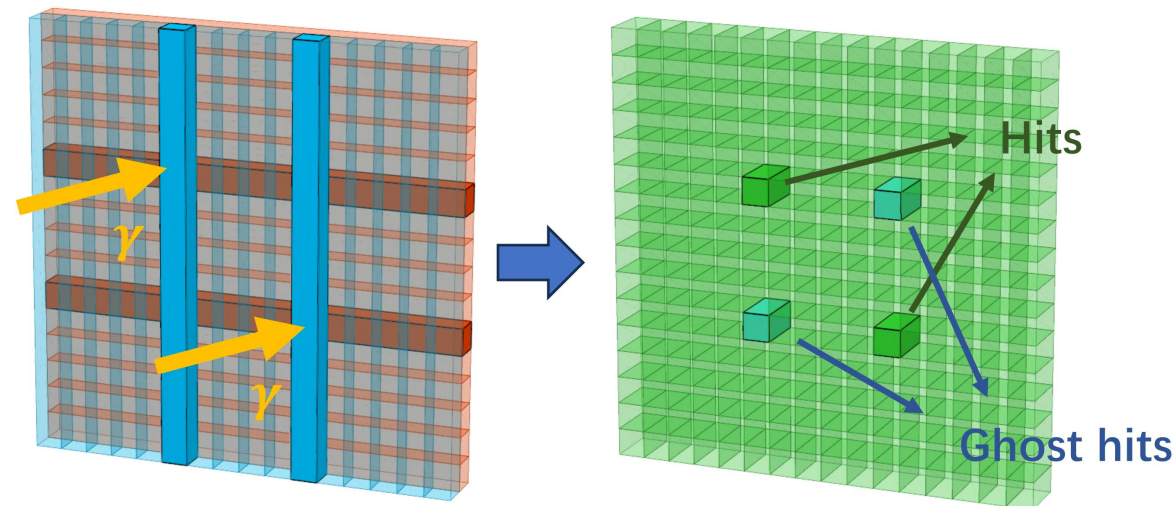


Two 5 GeV EM shower in
BGO crystal (left) and Tungsten (right)

Arrangement of transverse bar



Ghost hit



CyberPFA developed for crystal bar ECAL

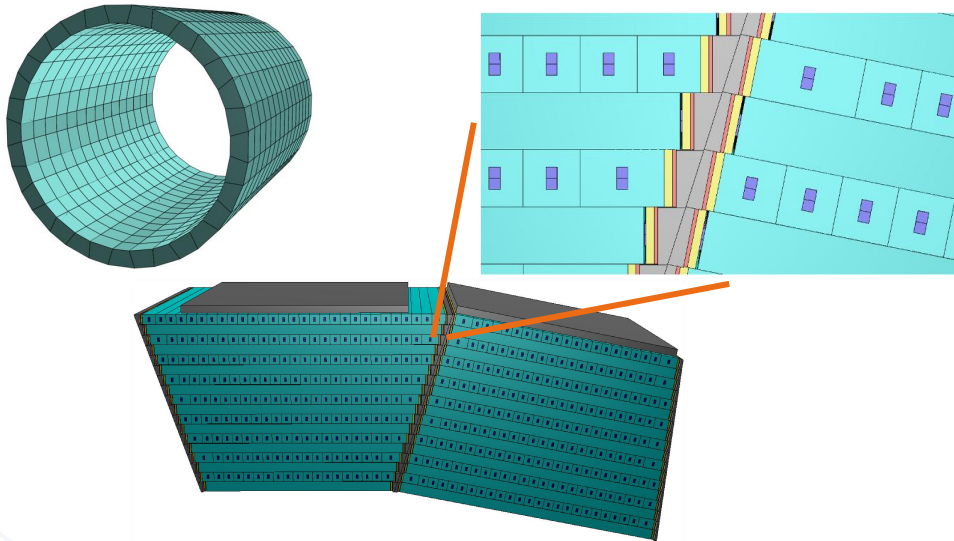
Software task:

- * Clustering
- * Pattern recognition.
- + Energy splitting.
- + Ghost hit removal

Detector Simulation

A realistic detector description implemented in CEPCSW with DD4HEP

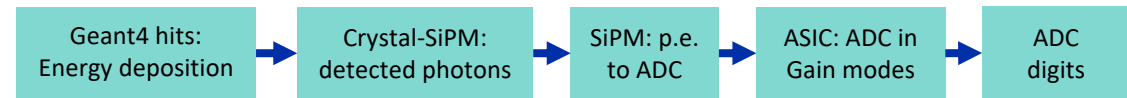
- Inner R = 1830 mm, depth 300 mm (24 X_0), 18 layers.
- $1.5 \times 1.5 \times \sim 40 \text{ cm}^3$ BGO bars with ESR wrapping
- 32-side polygon, invert trapezoid modules.
- **Dead material between modules:**
 - SiPM, PCB, FE and BE electronic boards ($\sim 3 \text{ mm}$)
 - Copper plate cooling (1 mm)
 - Carbon fiber supporting (5 mm/side)
- An energy correction for the crack leakage.



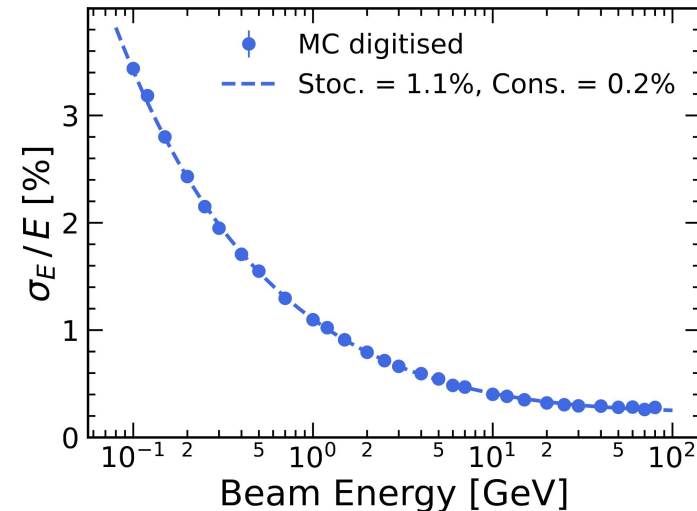
Digitization model: from beam test

- **MIP response:** 300 p.e./MIP
- **Energy threshold:** 0.1 MIP.
- **SiPM gain calibration:** 1 p.e. = 5 ADC, with noise
- **Electronics:** 12 bits ADC with precision 0.2%, 3 gain modes

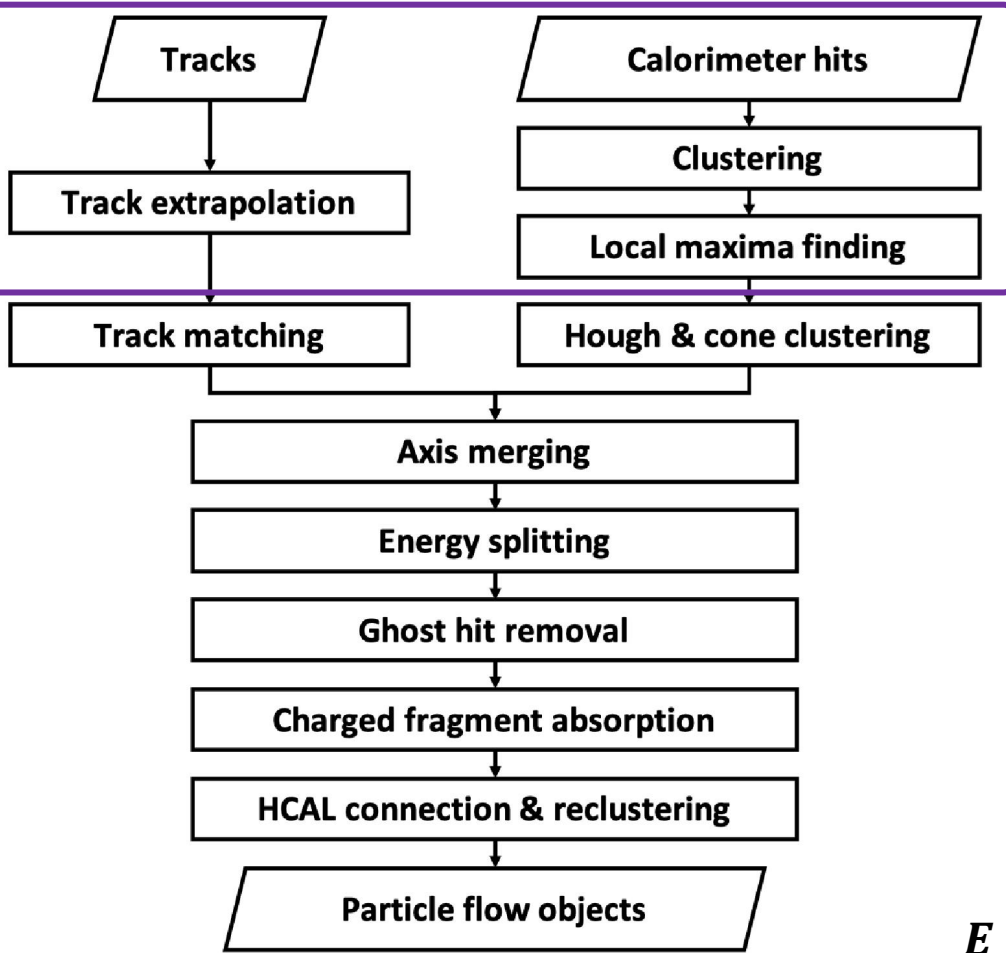
Energy resolution with full digitization: $\sigma_E/E = 1.1\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.2\%$ (in module center)



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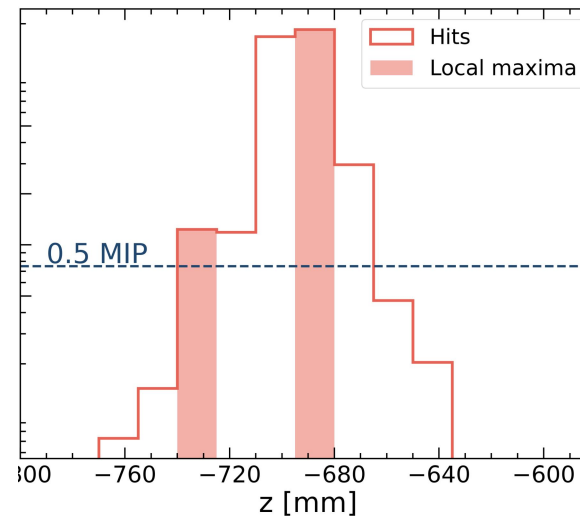


CyberPFA: PFA for crystal bar ECAL

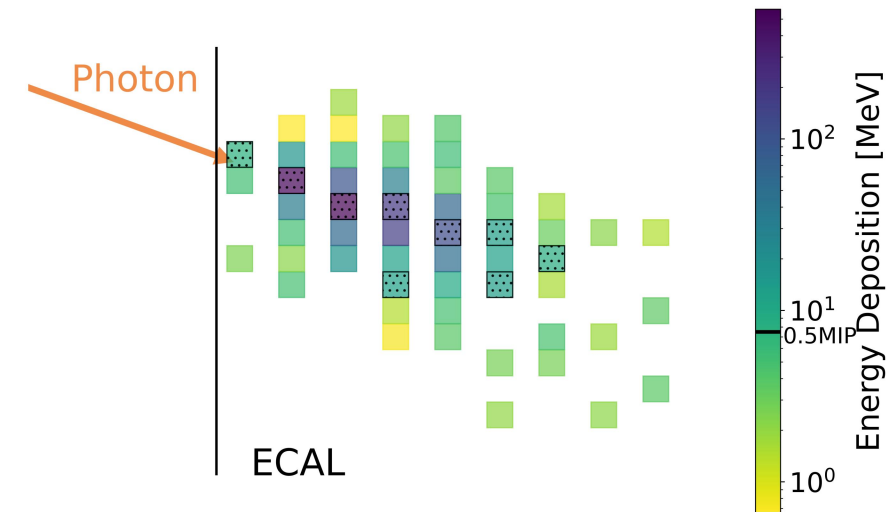


Step 1: preparation

- Track extrapolation
- Global neighbor clustering in full detector.
- Find the local maximum: 1st pattern recognition



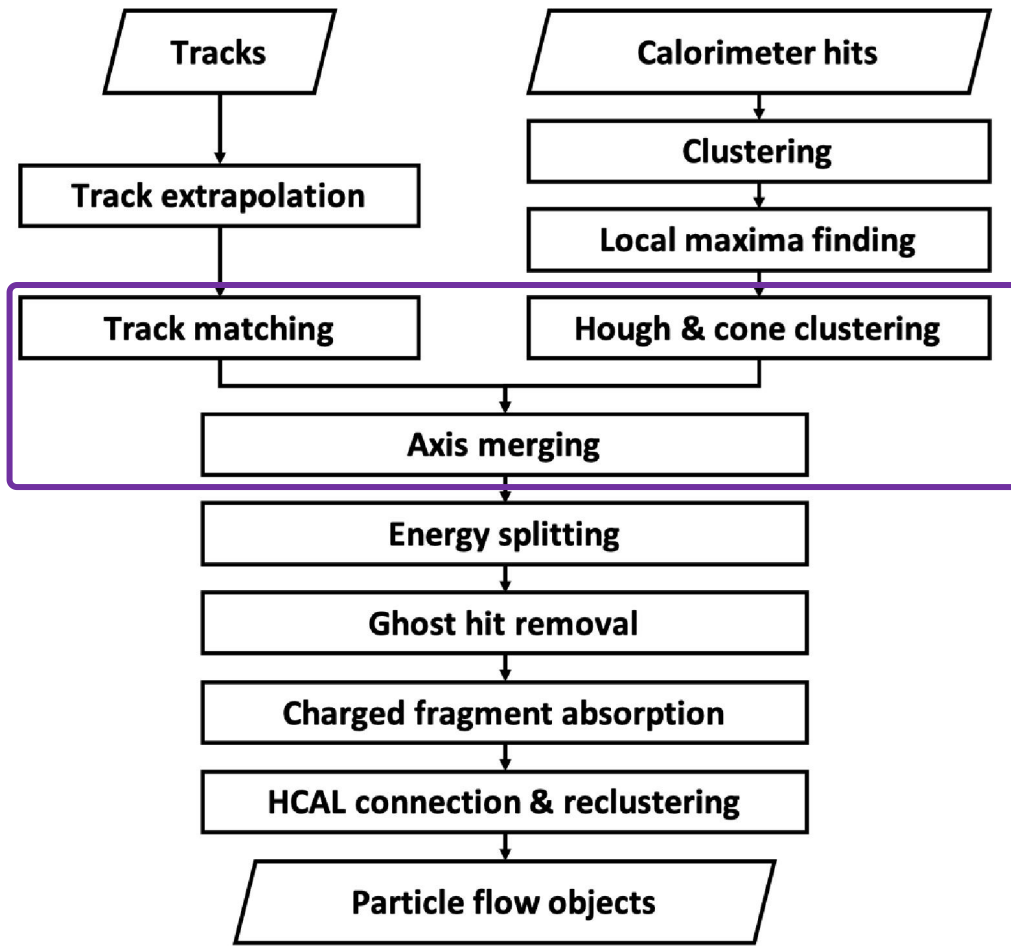
Definition of local maximum:
 E greater than nearby crystal and
greater than 0.5 MIP



**Spatial distribution of hits and local
maxima of a 5 GeV EM shower**

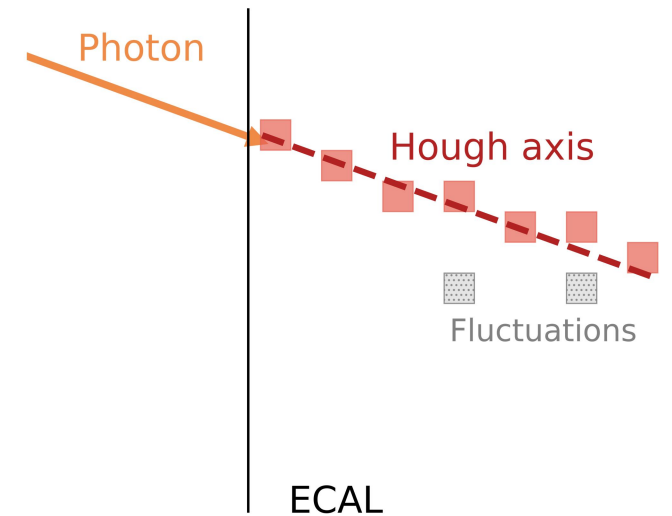
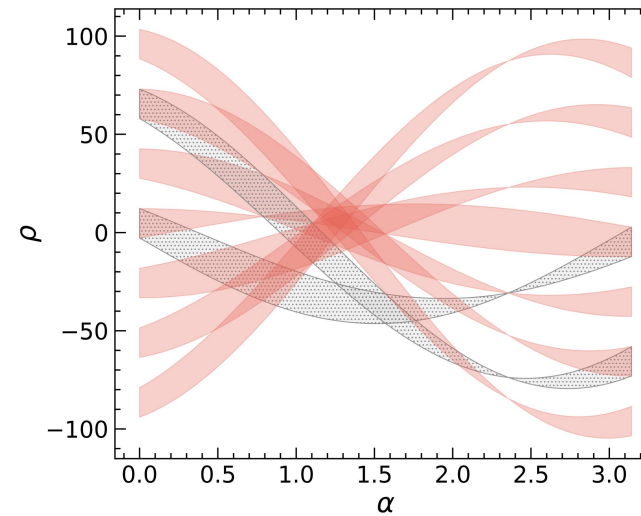
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CyberPFA: PFA for crystal bar ECAL



Step 2: Energy-core-based shower recognition

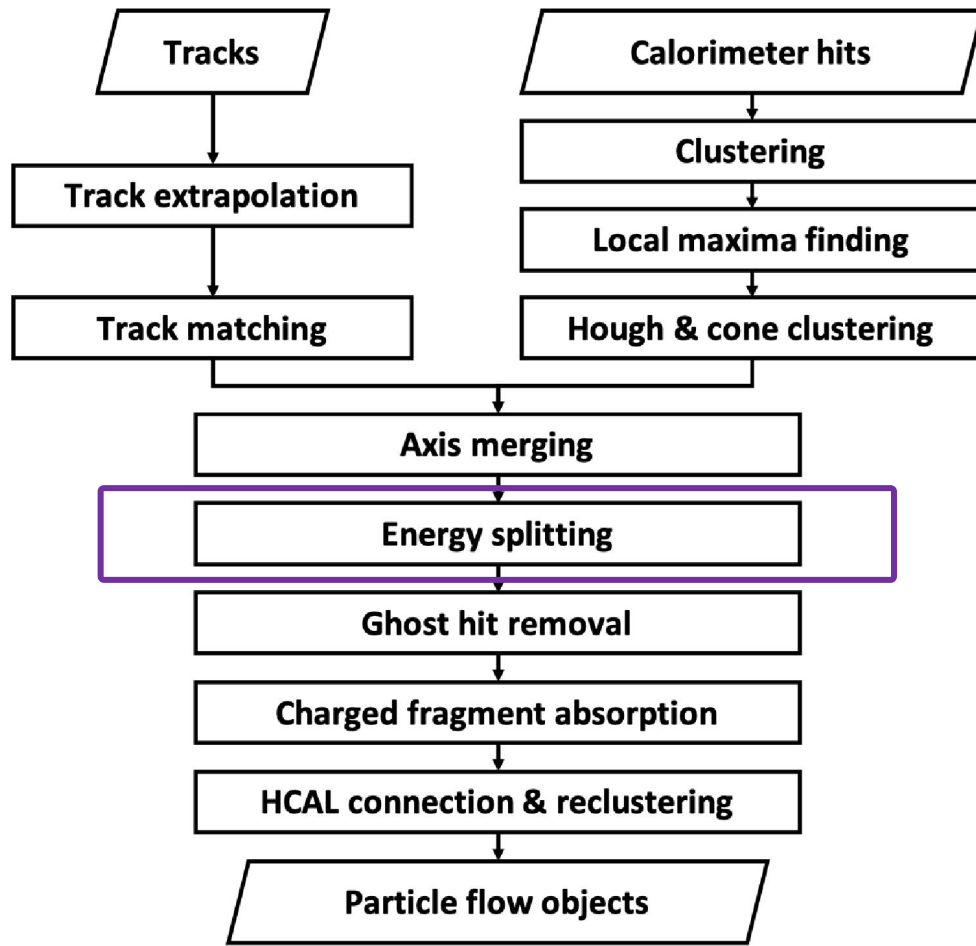
- 3 individual algorithms for different types of particles
- A set of topological cluster merging



Energy-core based photon recognition using Hough transform

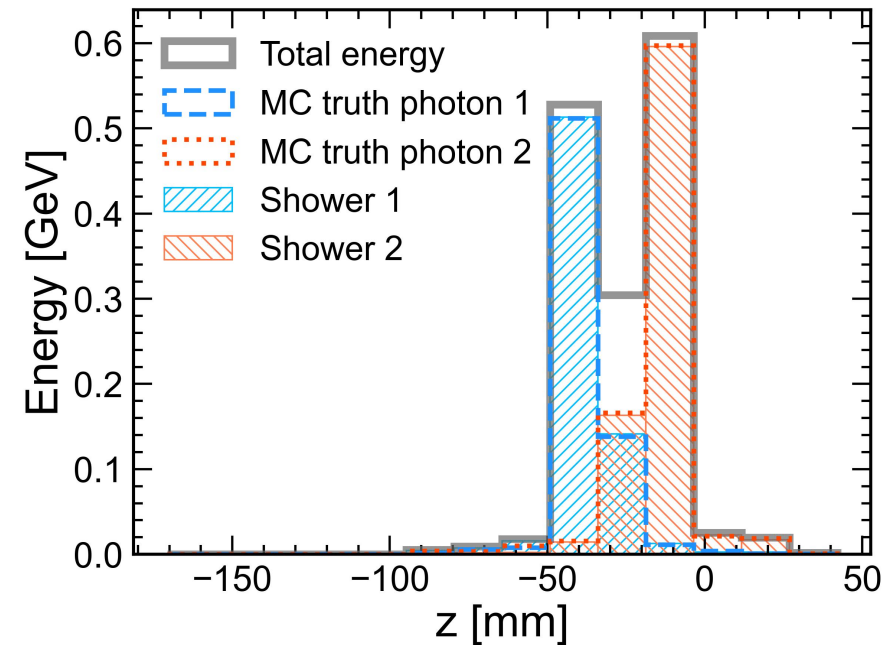
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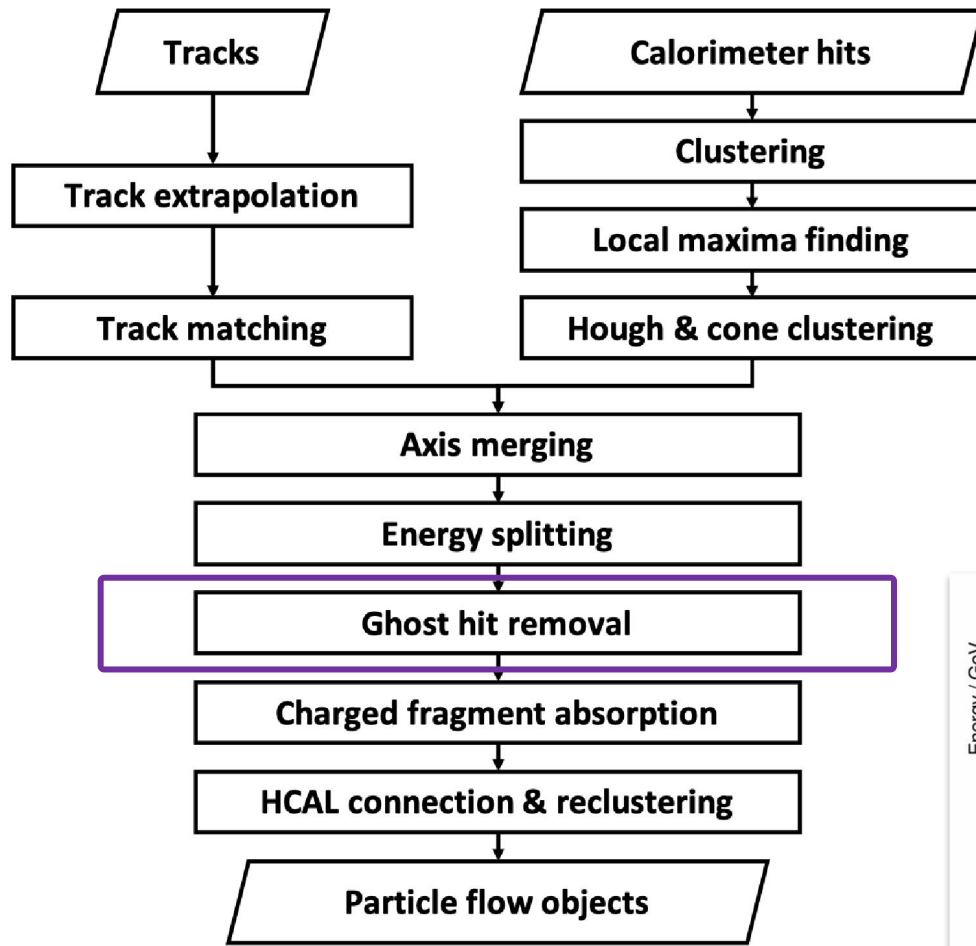
Step 3: energy splitting

- Split the energy with lateral shower profile.



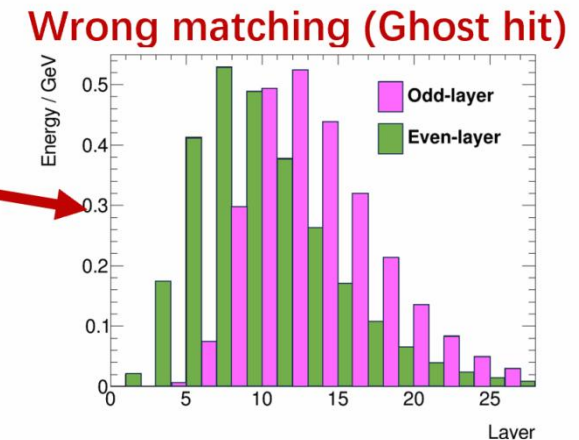
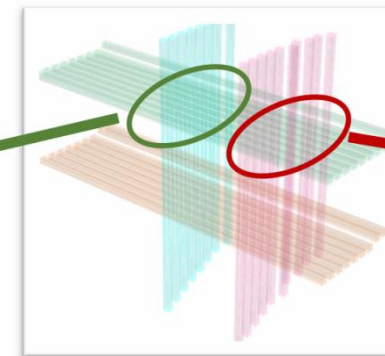
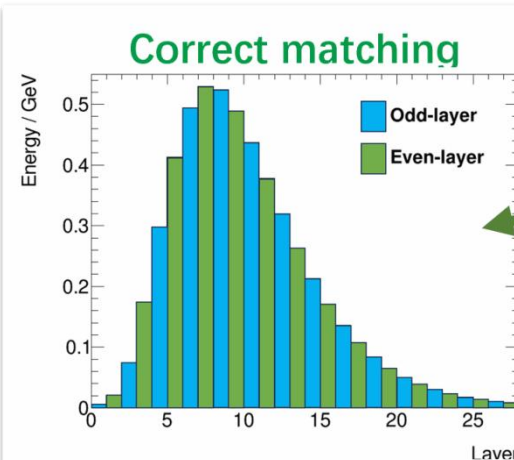
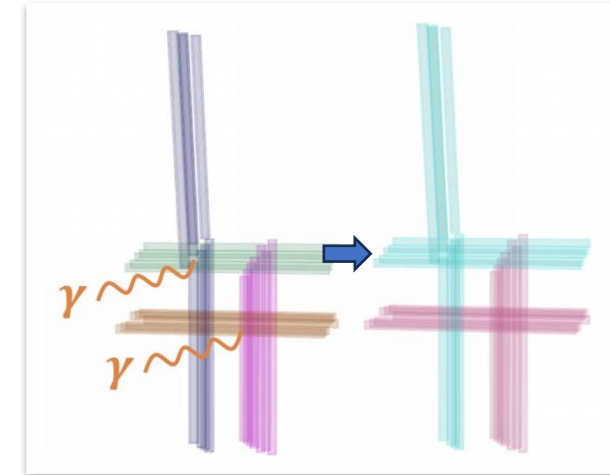
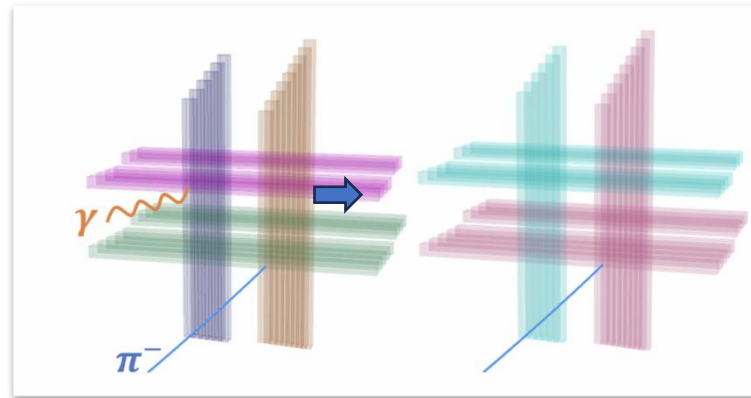
Energy splitting of two overlapping EM shower

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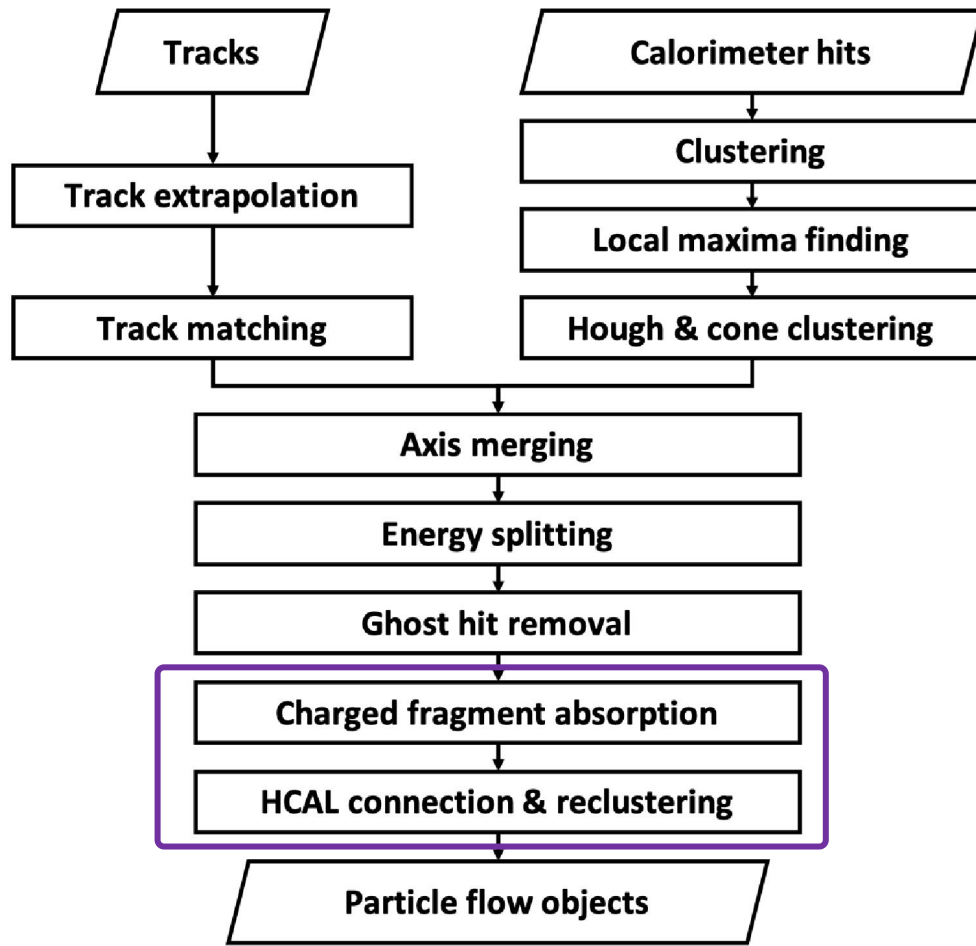


Step 4: ghost hit removal

- Remove ghost hit with track + neighbor module + energy + ...

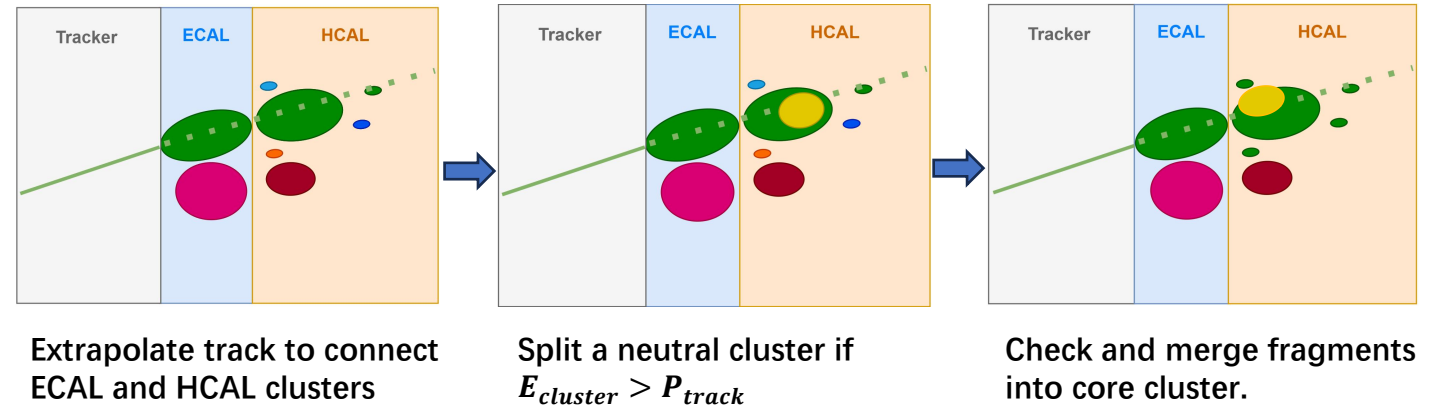


CyberPFA: PFA for crystal bar ECAL



Step 5: clustering and re-clustering

- Match ECAL & HCAL clusters.
- Traditional PFA idea: $E_{cluster} \sim P_{track}$ match.



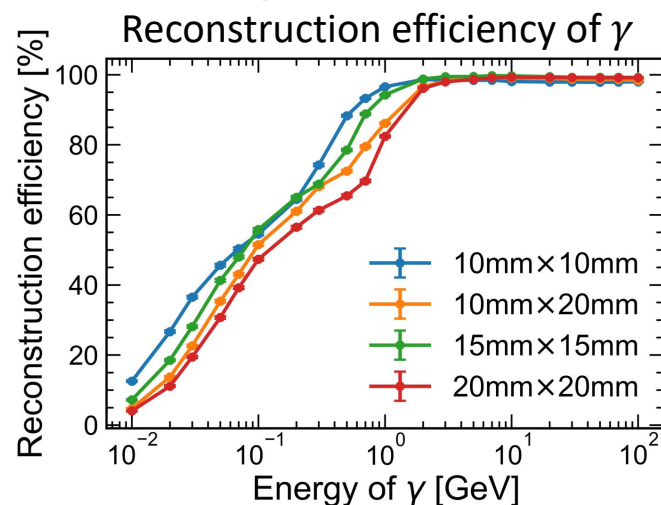
Granularity optimization

- **Four typical scenarios of transverse granularity investigated**

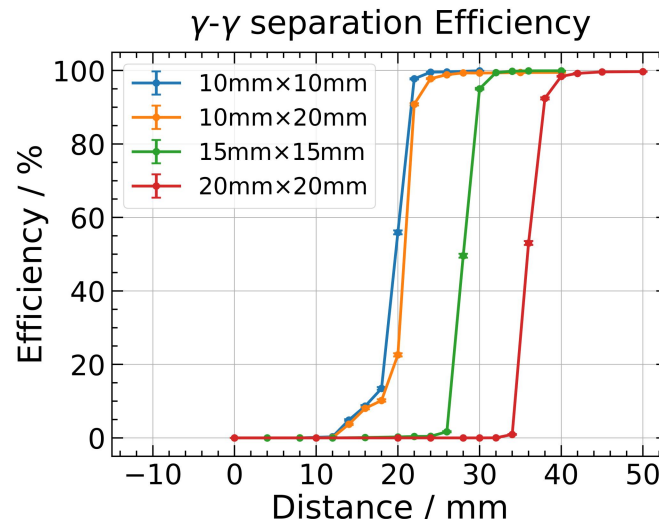
- 10×10 mm, 10×20 mm, 15×15 mm and 20×20 mm

- **Figures of merit**

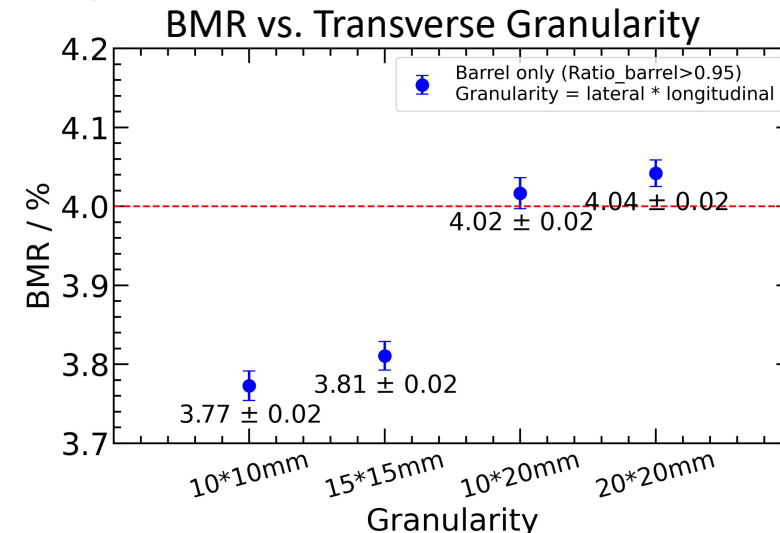
- Single photon reconstruction, separation power and jet performance



Major impact from ECAL longitudinal segmentation



Separation efficiency dominated by ECAL transverse granularity



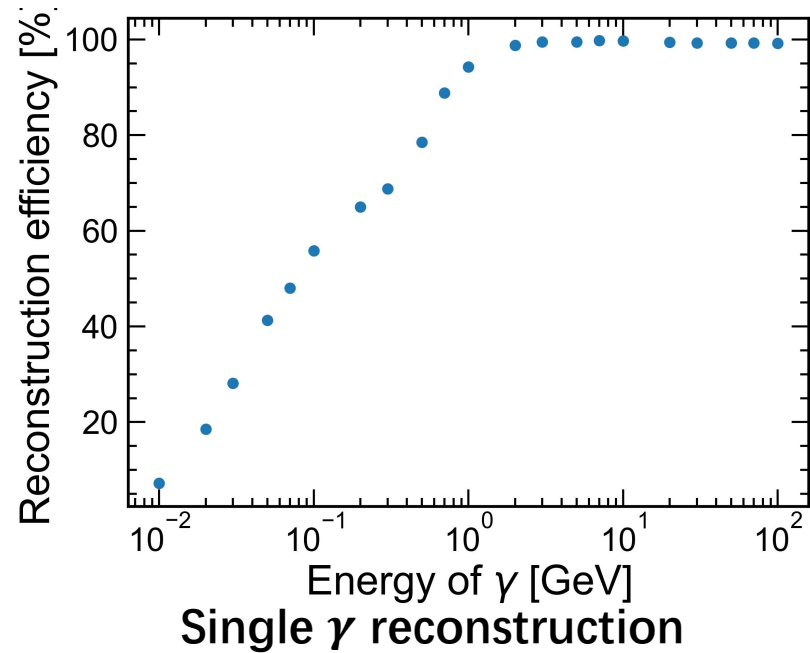
10x10mm and 15x15mm can meet physics requirement of BMR <4%

ECAL granularity of $15 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2$ selected for the baseline design

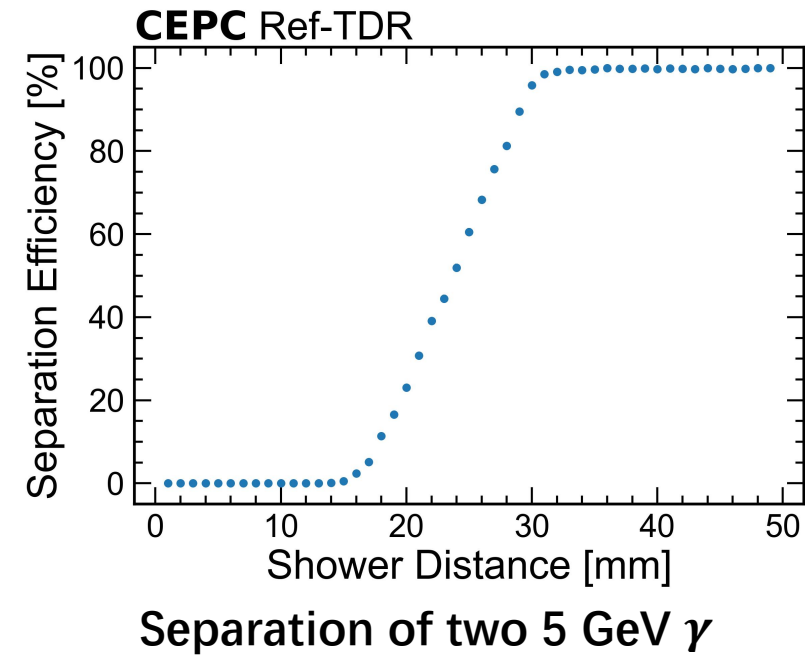
Performance: Photon



- Core ECAL mission: precise measurement of photons
- Essential and fundamental constituent in jet and other process



~100% efficiency for $E_\gamma > 2$ GeV

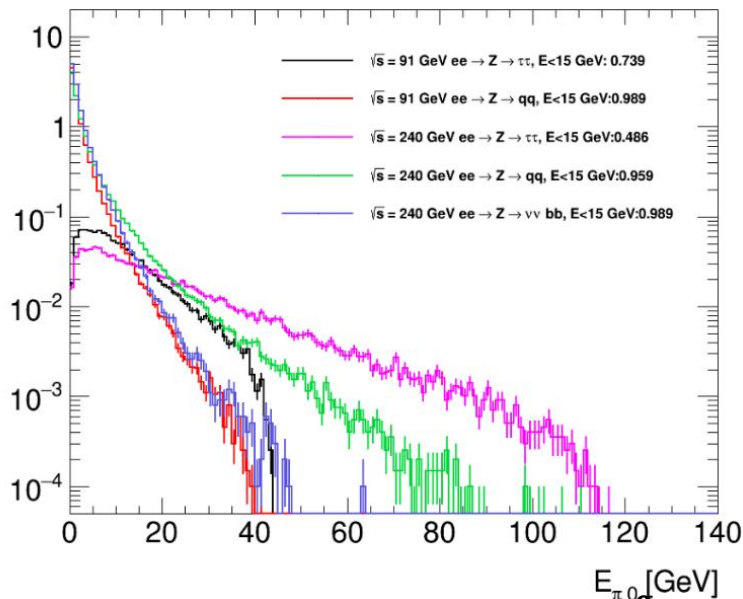


~100% efficiency for distance > 30 mm

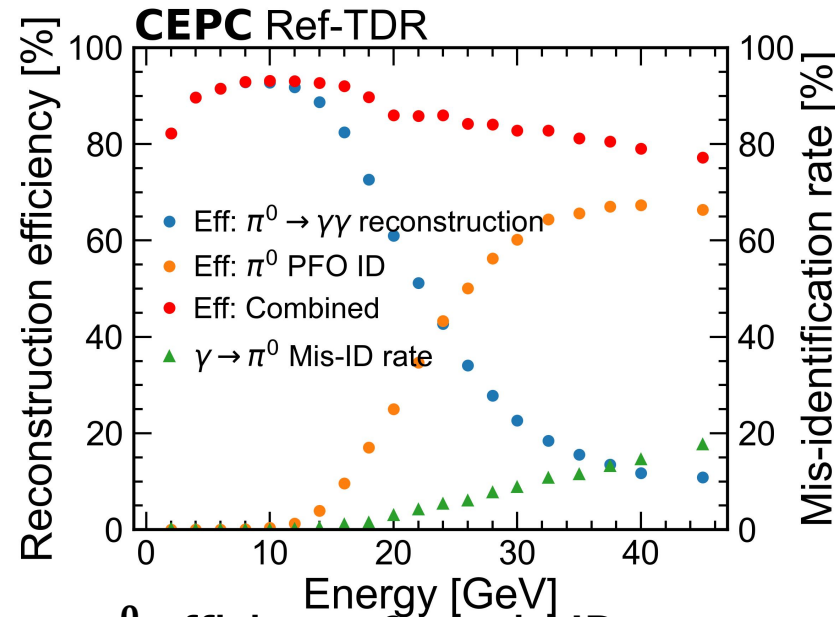
Performance: $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- π^0 : essential EM object in flavor studies in Tera-Z factory

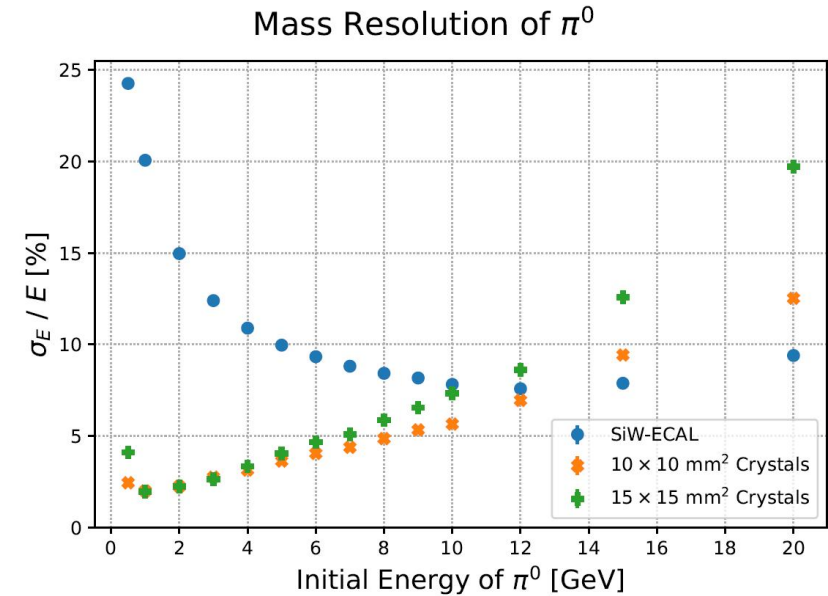
- $B^0/B_s^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0/\eta\eta$ and CP asymmetry
- τ hadronic decay for $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$



Energy distribution of π^0
in different processes



π^0 efficiency & γ mis-ID rate
with CyberPFA + second moment



π^0 mass resolution
in SiW-ECAL & crystal ECAL

Efficiency > 90% @ ~10 GeV; >75% up to 45 GeV

Enhanced mass resolution (<10 GeV) over sampling ECAL

Performance: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



$e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu\gamma\gamma$ @ $\sqrt{s} = 240$ GeV

Full simulation and digitization.

Energy correction in crack region applied.

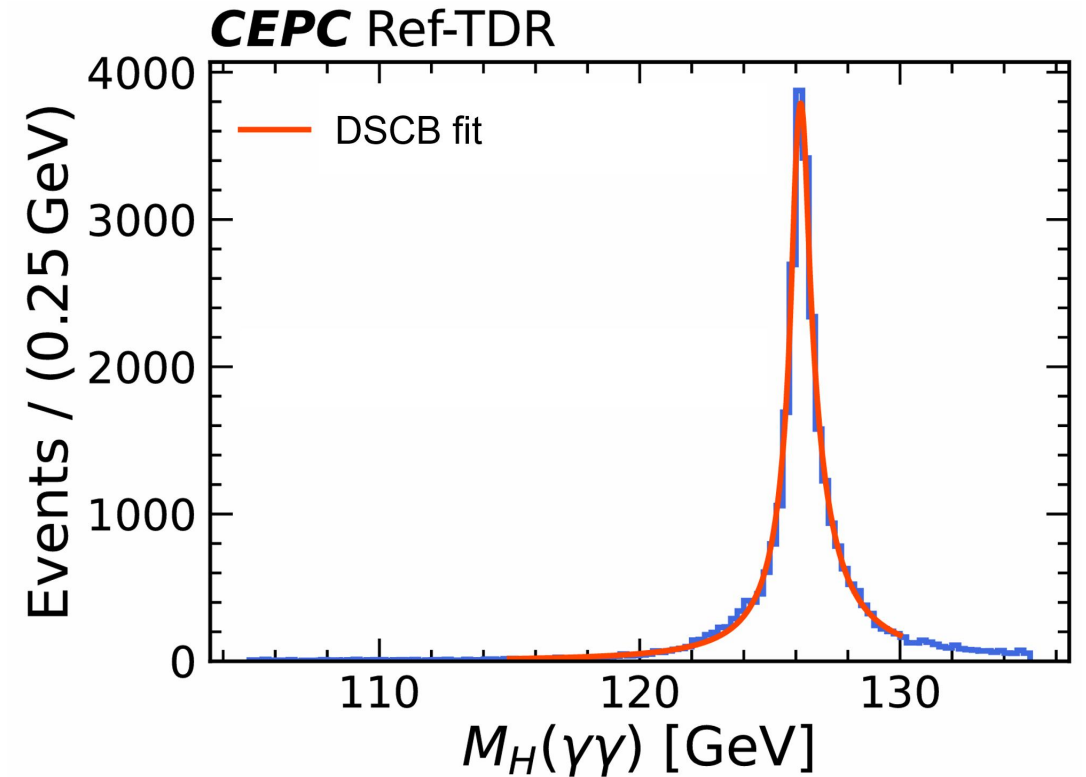
$mean = 126.185 \pm 0.005$ GeV,

$\sigma = 0.397 \pm 0.006$ GeV

Mass resolution: $0.31 \pm 0.10\%$.

Measurement precision of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH) \times Br(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$

increased by $\sim 20\%$ compare to CEPC CDR detector, benefit from ECAL resolution

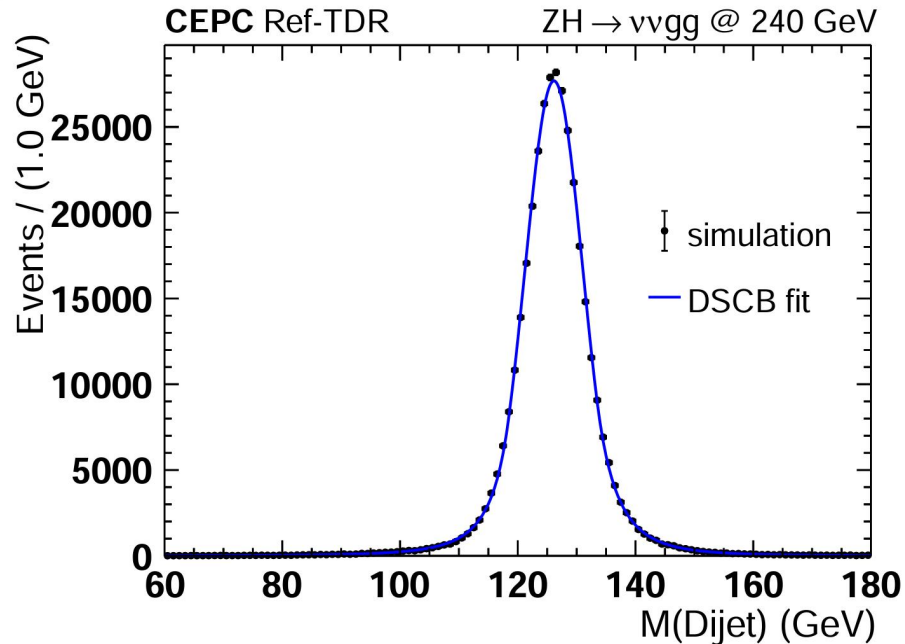


Talk by Reda: [Measurement of the Higgs decaying into two photons with the CEPC reference detector](#)

Performance: Jet reconstruction



$e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu gg @ \sqrt{s} = 240 \text{ GeV}$



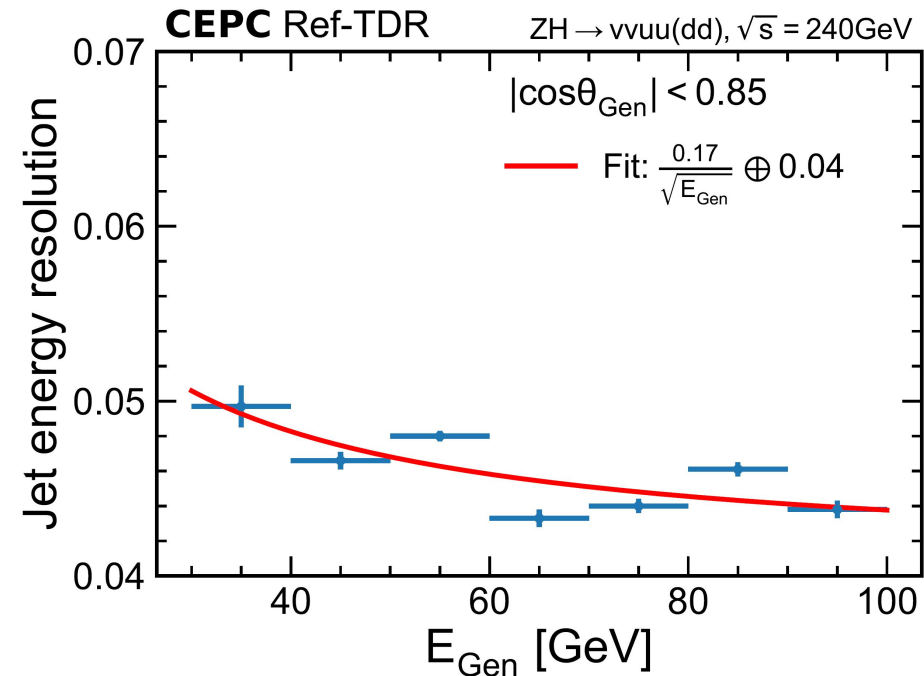
$$|\cos \theta_{jet}| < 0.85$$

$$m_{jj} = 126.14 \pm 0.01$$

$$\sigma_{jj} = 4.89 \pm 0.01$$

$$\text{BMR} = 3.87 \pm 0.10\%$$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu uu(dd) @ \sqrt{s} = 240 \text{ GeV}$



$$|\cos \theta_{jet}| < 0.85$$

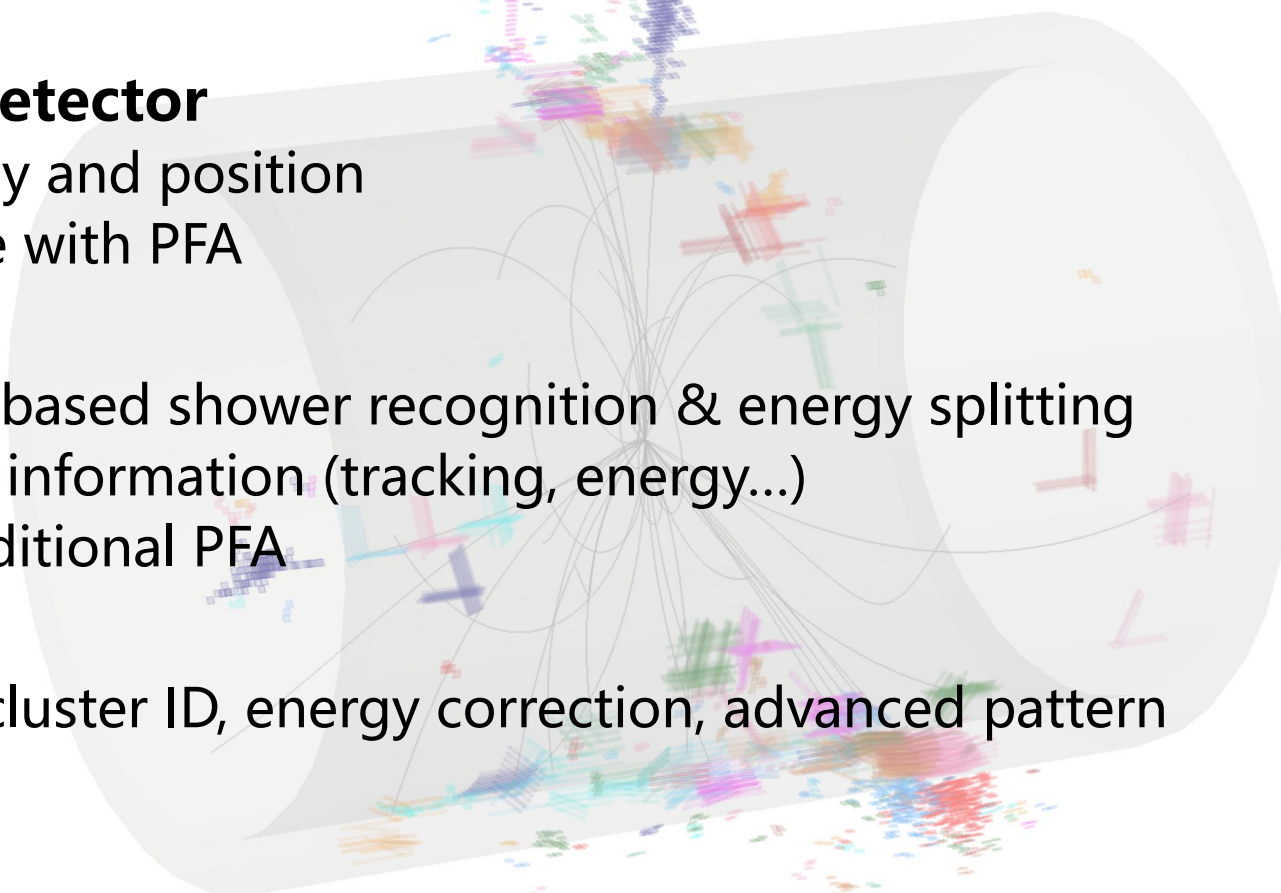
$$\text{JER} = \frac{0.17}{\sqrt{E_{Gen}}} \oplus 0.04$$

Jet reconstruction satisfy physics requirement in CEPC

Summary and outlook



- **Crystal ECAL for CEPC reference detector**
 - Precision resolution for both energy and position
 - First homogenous ECAL compatible with PFA
- **CyberPFA for the crystal ECAL:**
 - Overlap addressed by energy-core-based shower recognition & energy splitting
 - Ghost hit removed by multi-variate information (tracking, energy...)
 - BMR $\sim 3.87\%$, comparable with traditional PFA
- **Future plan:**
 - Optimization of PFA performance: cluster ID, energy correction, advanced pattern recognition, ...



Thank you for your attention!



Backup

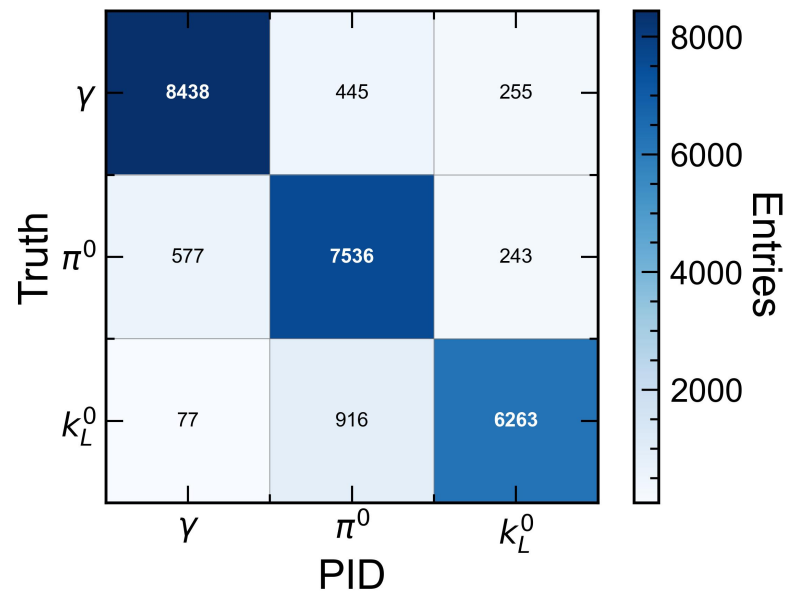


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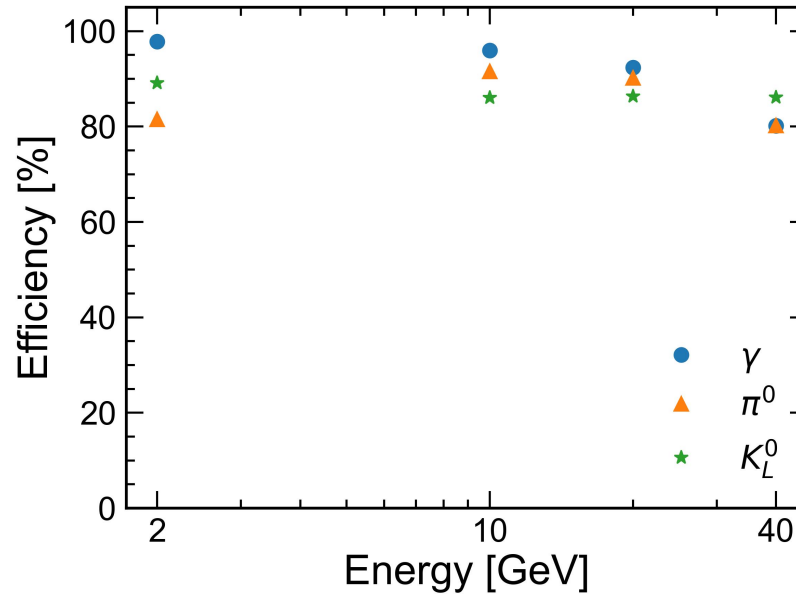
Performance: $\gamma/\pi^0/K_L^0$ PID



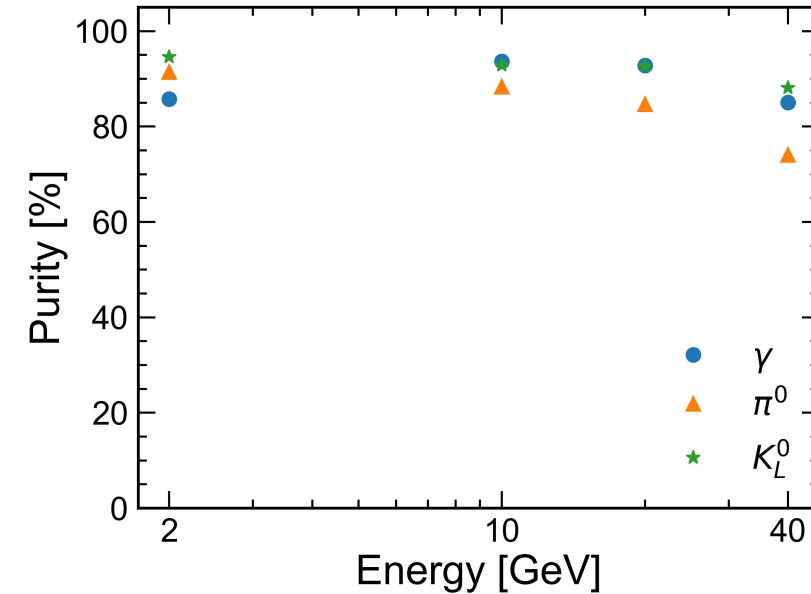
- $\gamma/\pi^0/K_L^0$ showers in ECAL and HCAL
- PID with second moment + energy ratio between ECAL & HCAL



Confusion matrix of $\gamma/\pi^0/K_L^0$ PID @ 20 GeV



Identification efficiency & purity vs true energy

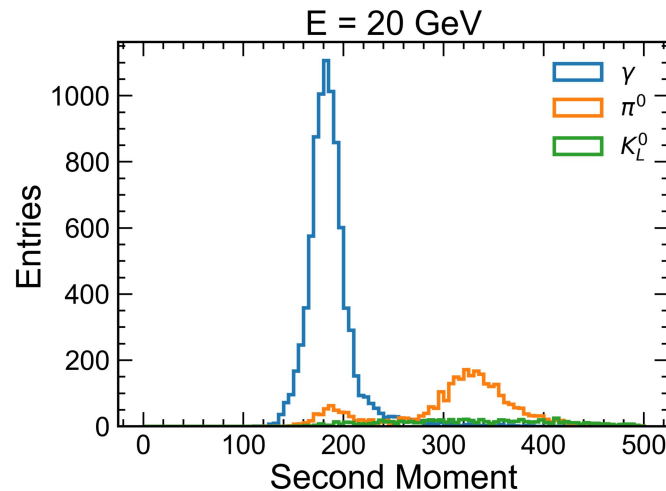
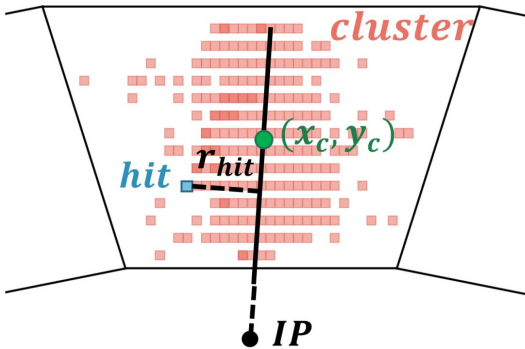


Second moment & Energy ratio

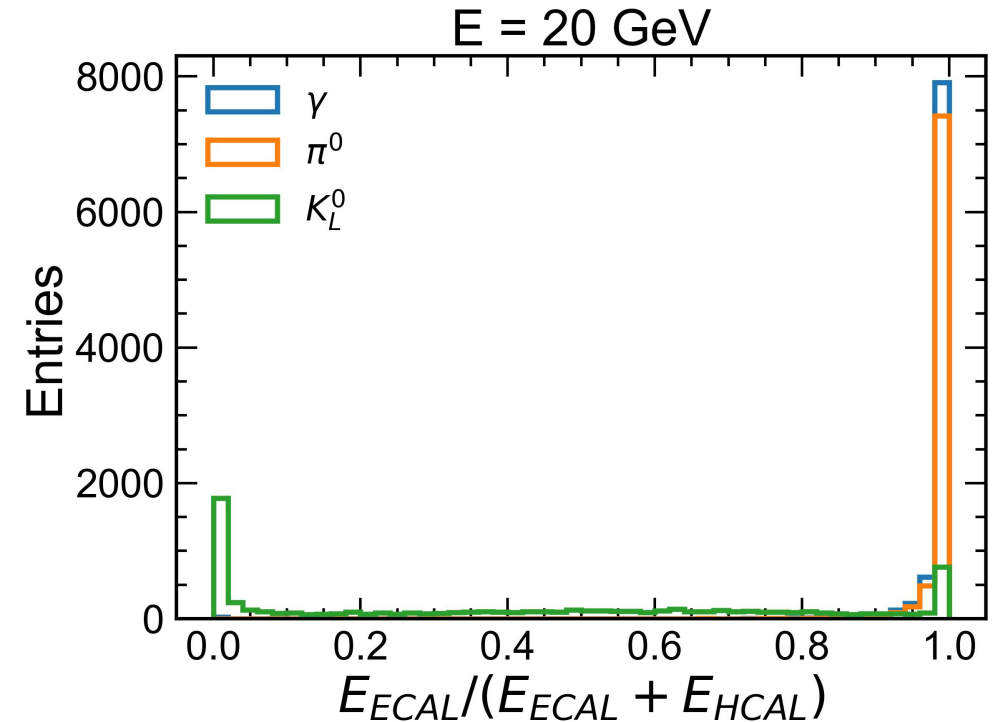


Second moment: $S = \frac{\sum(E_{hit}r_{hit}^2)}{\sum E_{hit}}$

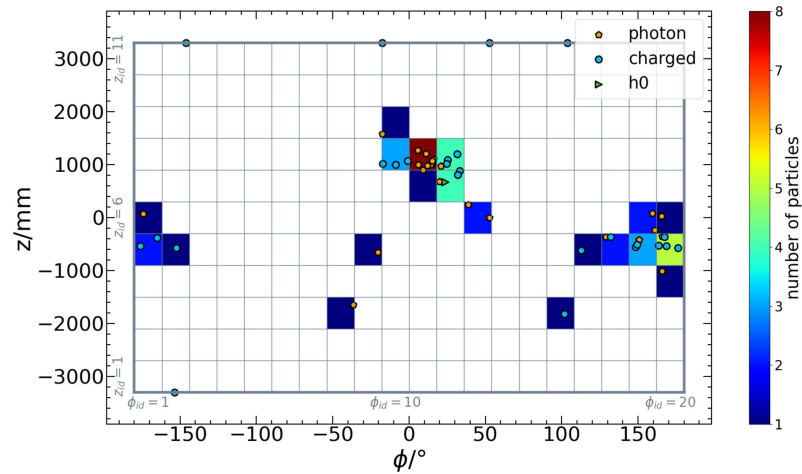
Quantifies the lateral spread of a cluster



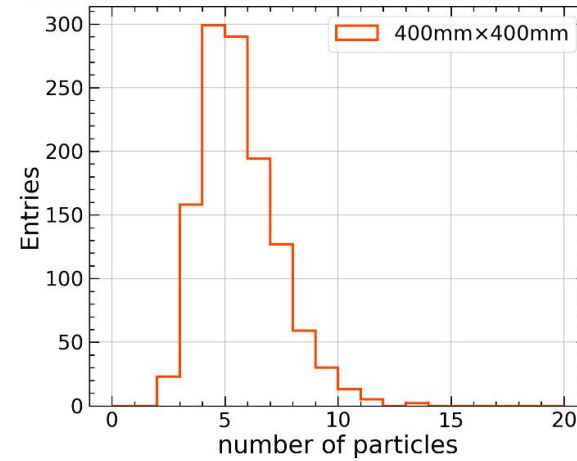
Energy ratio in ECAL & HCAL: $R = \frac{E_{ECAL}}{E_{ECAL} + E_{HCAL}}$



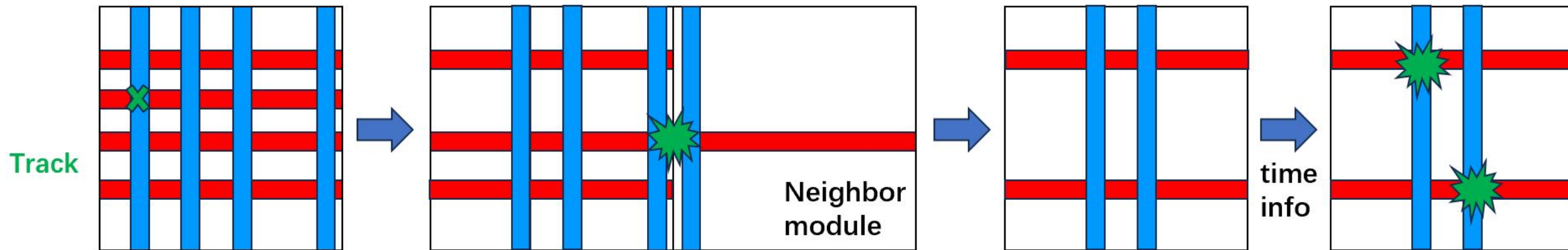
Ghost hit removal



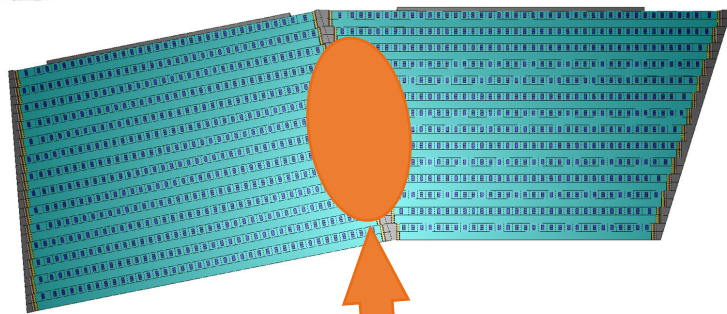
ECAL hit map of a jet event



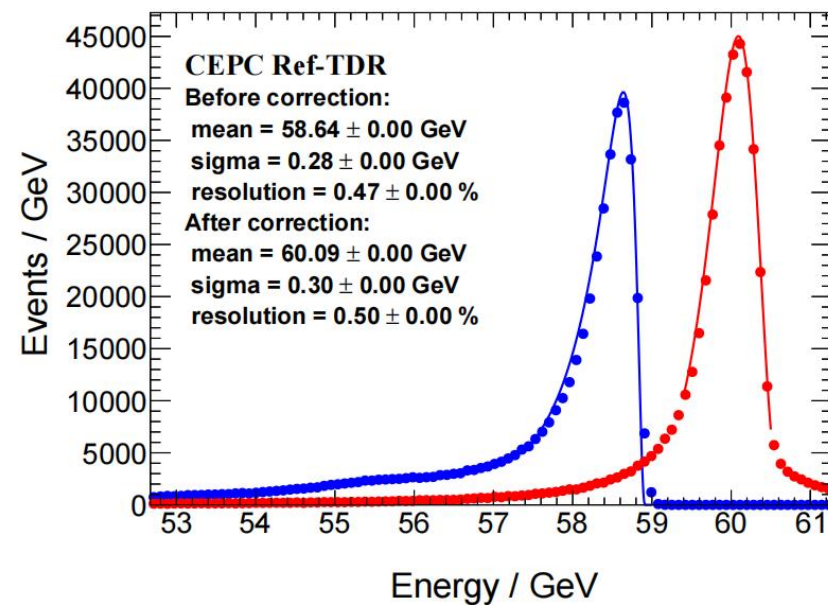
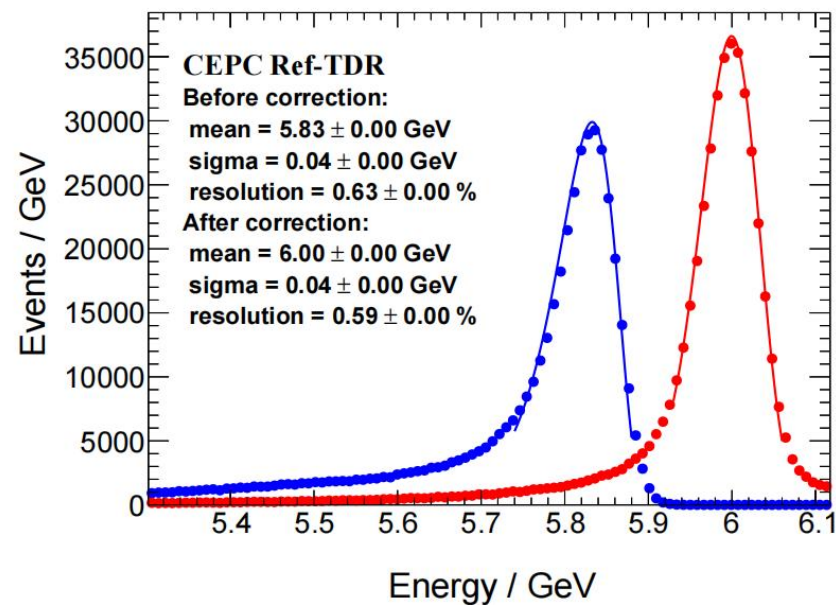
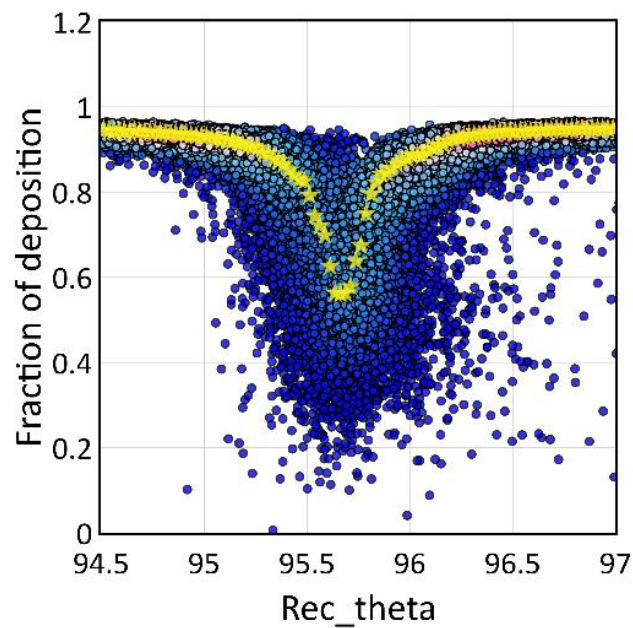
~5 particles in one module in a jet



Energy correction



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Photon reconstruction performance

