

Benchmarking ZDC design with Lambda

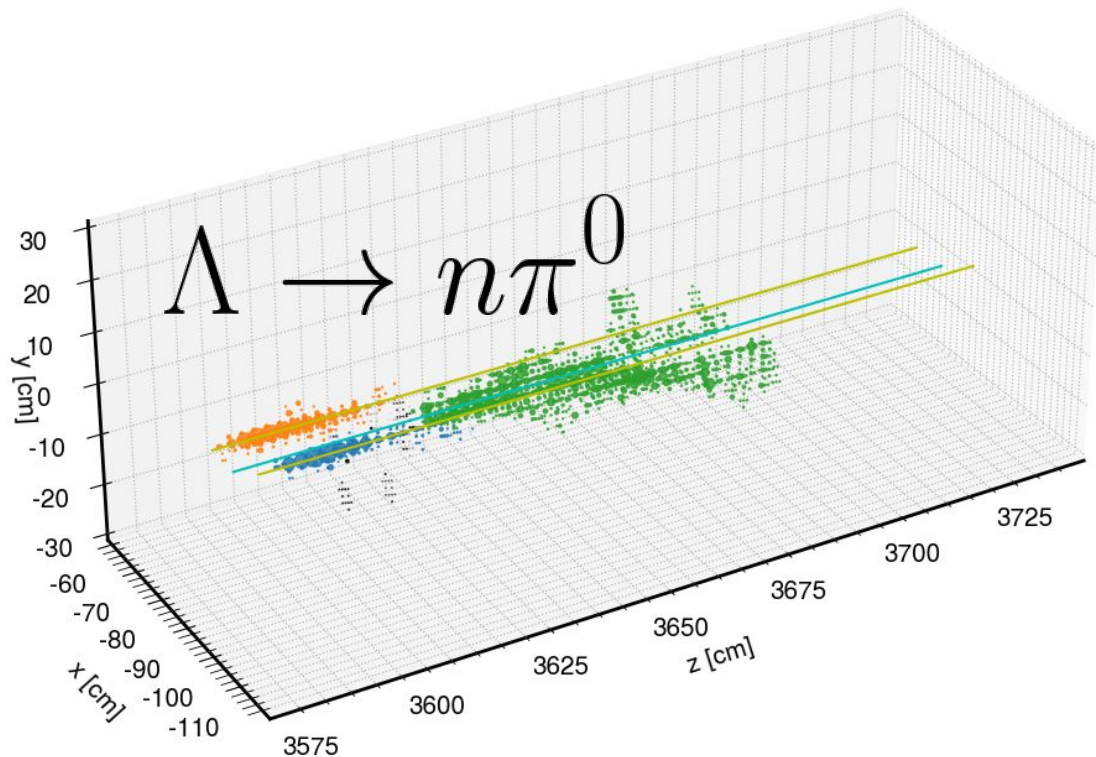
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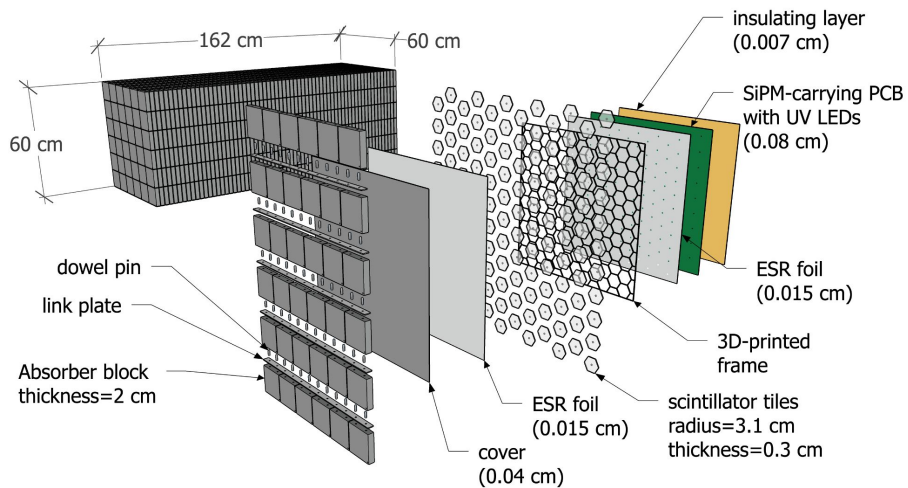


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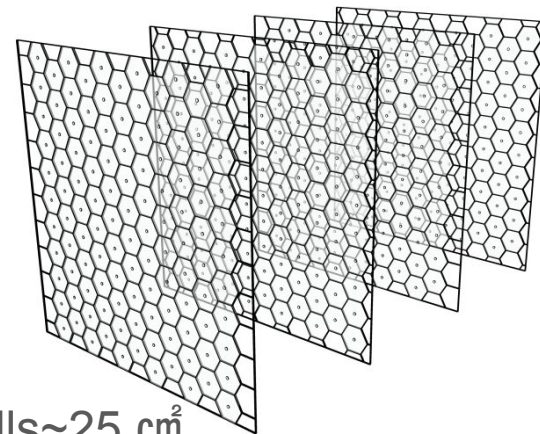
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SiPM-on-tile Fe/Sc ZDC

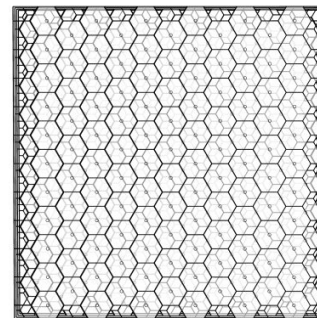
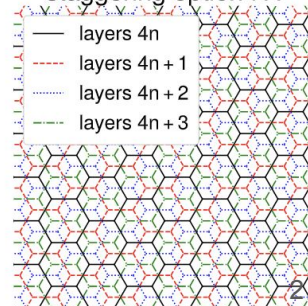


High-granularity from CALICE-style tech
 Staggered design as in [NIMA 1060 \(2024\) 169044](#)
 Design and performance in arXiv:2406.12877

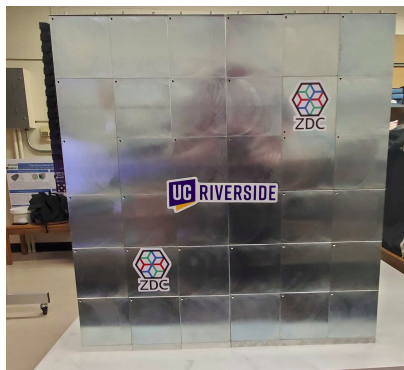
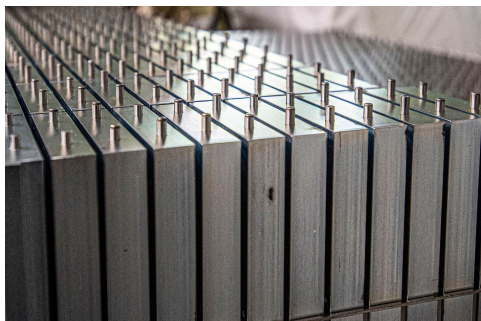


Cells $\sim 25 \text{ cm}^2$

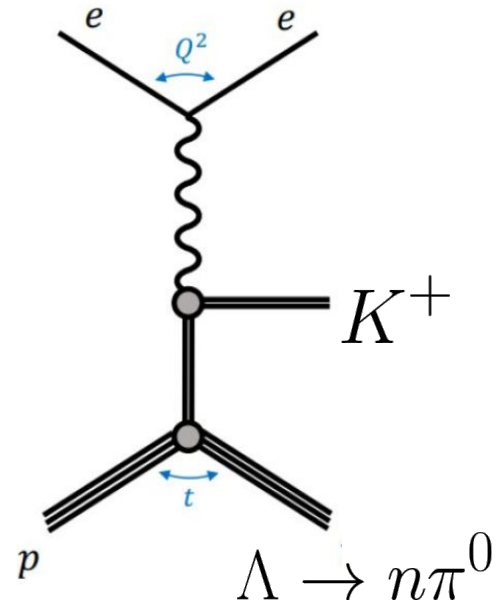
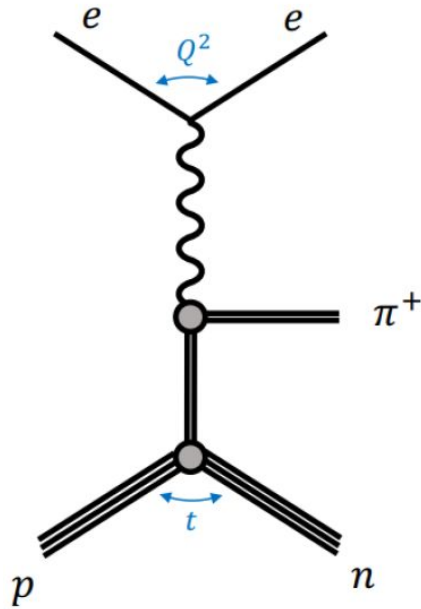
staggering option H4



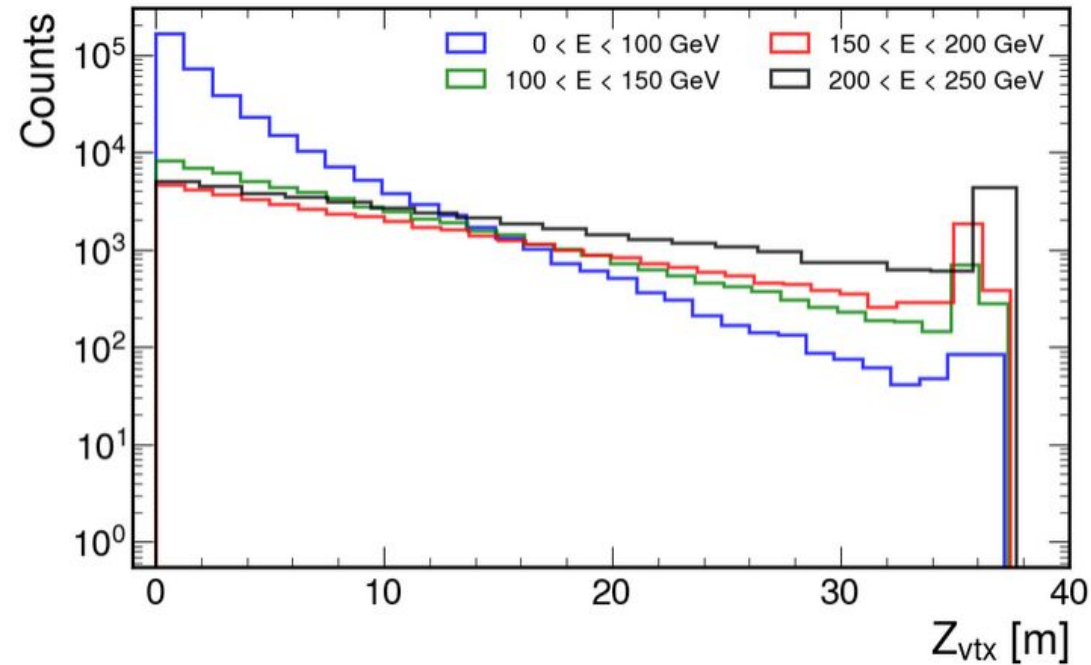
Fe blocks from STAR



Key ZDC Physics Benchmarks

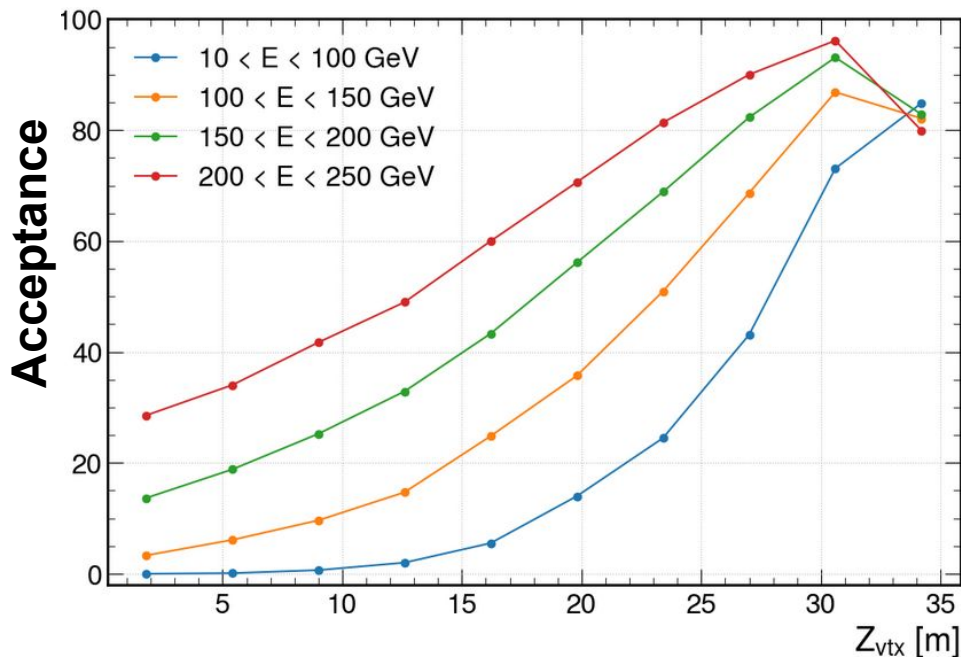
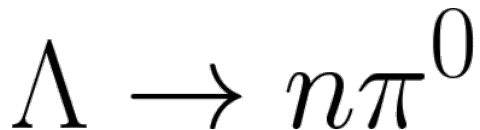


$\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0$ challenge: displaced vertex



We need to know Z_{vertex} to properly measure polar angle!

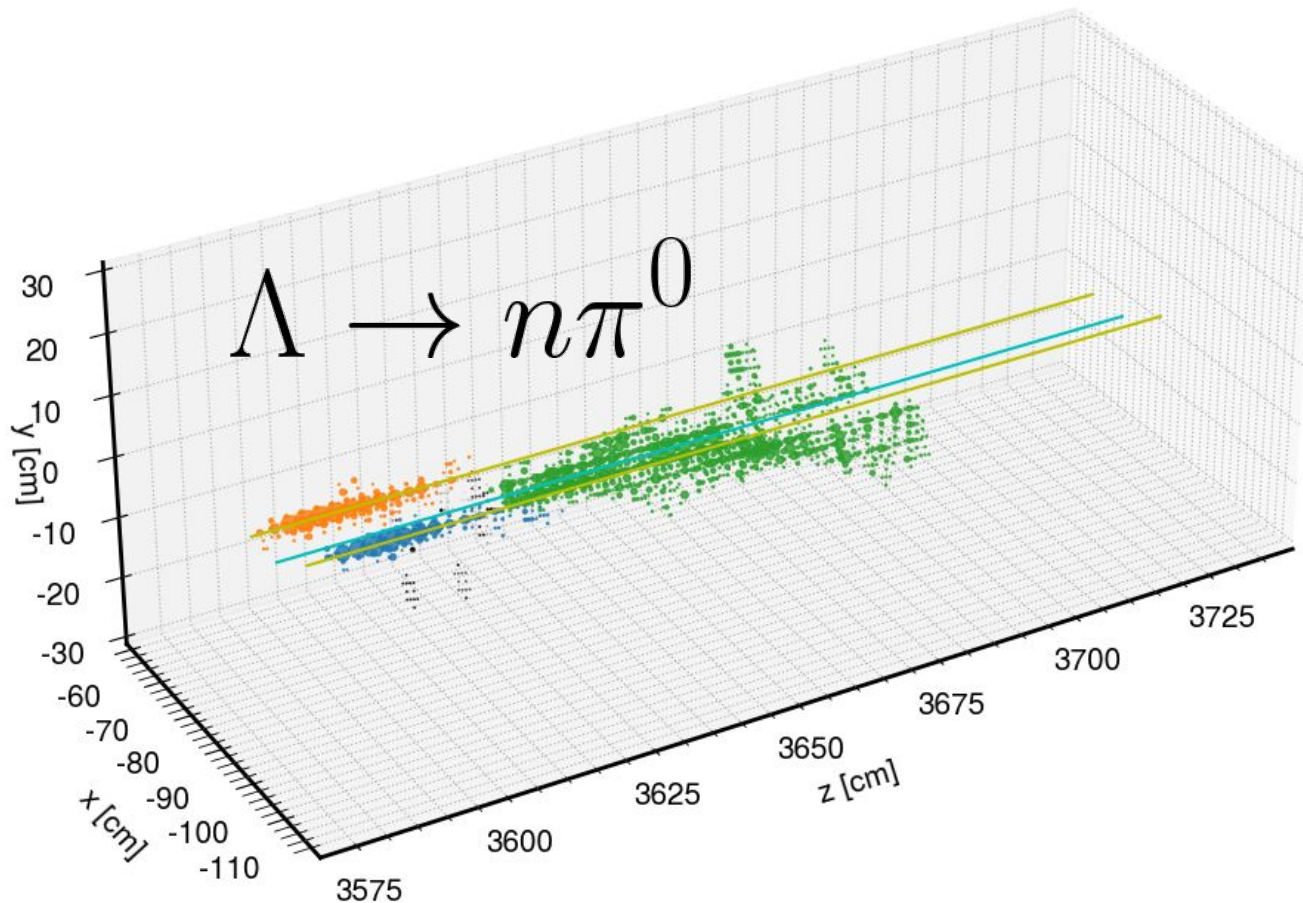
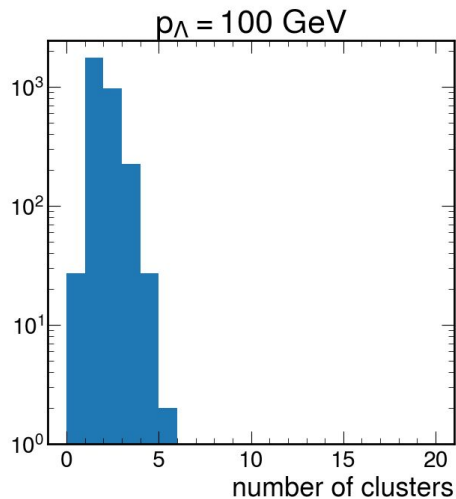
Efficiency (Fraction of events with neutron and 2 photons in ZDC area)



- Higher energy \rightarrow higher boost, which increases lifetime and collimates decay particles.
- Higher z position \rightarrow increases solid angle

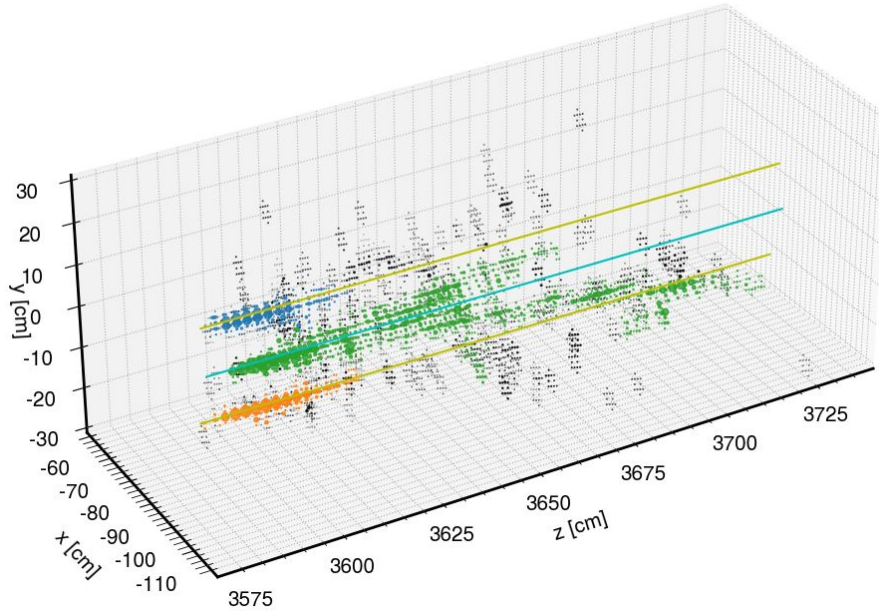
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3D TopoClustering
Run on SiPM-on-tile
only (no crystal)

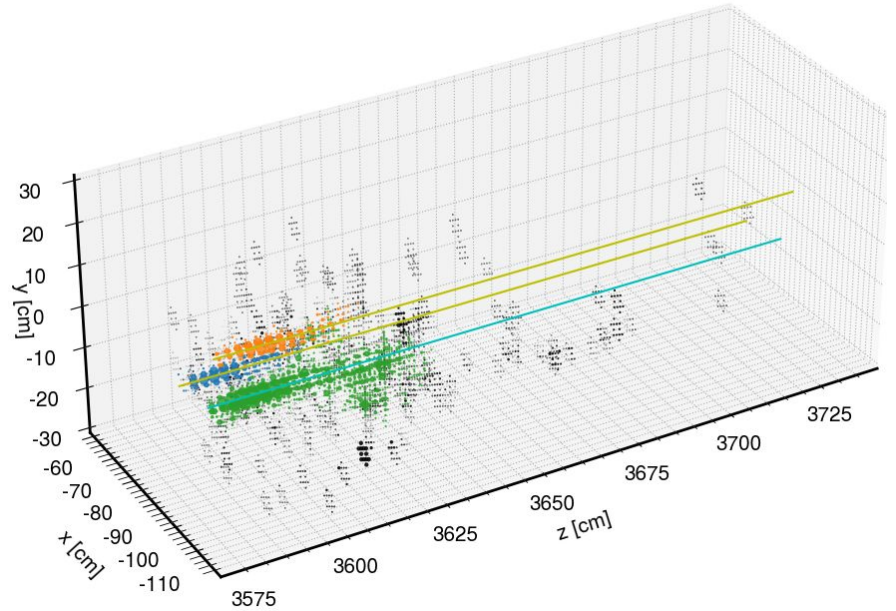


More Examples

$E_{\Lambda} = 100 \text{ GeV}$, $\theta_{\Lambda} = 2.1 \text{ mrad}$, $z_{\text{vtx}} = 15.0 \text{ m}$

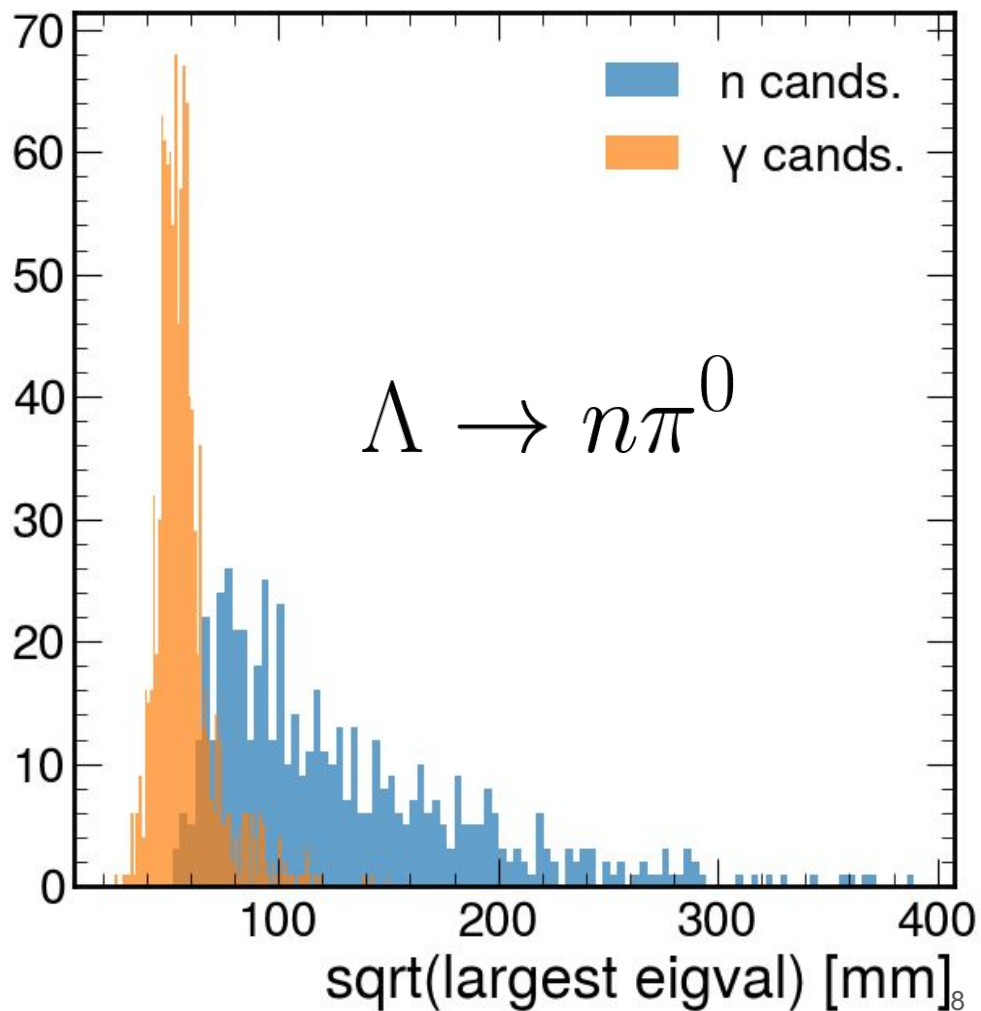


$E_{\Lambda} = 100 \text{ GeV}$, $\theta_{\Lambda} = 2.4 \text{ mrad}$, $z_{\text{vtx}} = 17.3 \text{ m}$



Lambda Reco Step 1:

Select events with 3 topoclusters
Identify neutron candidate as cluster with
largest eigenvalue
Other 2 are photons

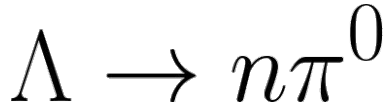


Lambda Reco Step 2:

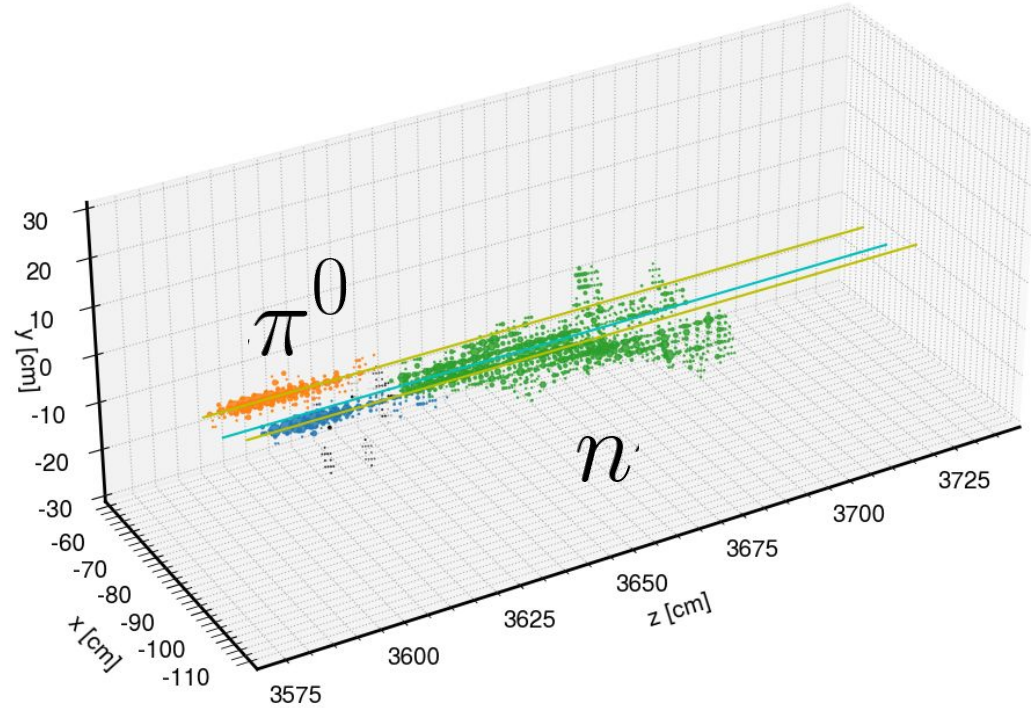
“Kinematic fitting”

Force diphoton mass to π^0 PDG, which constraints longitudinal-vertex position.

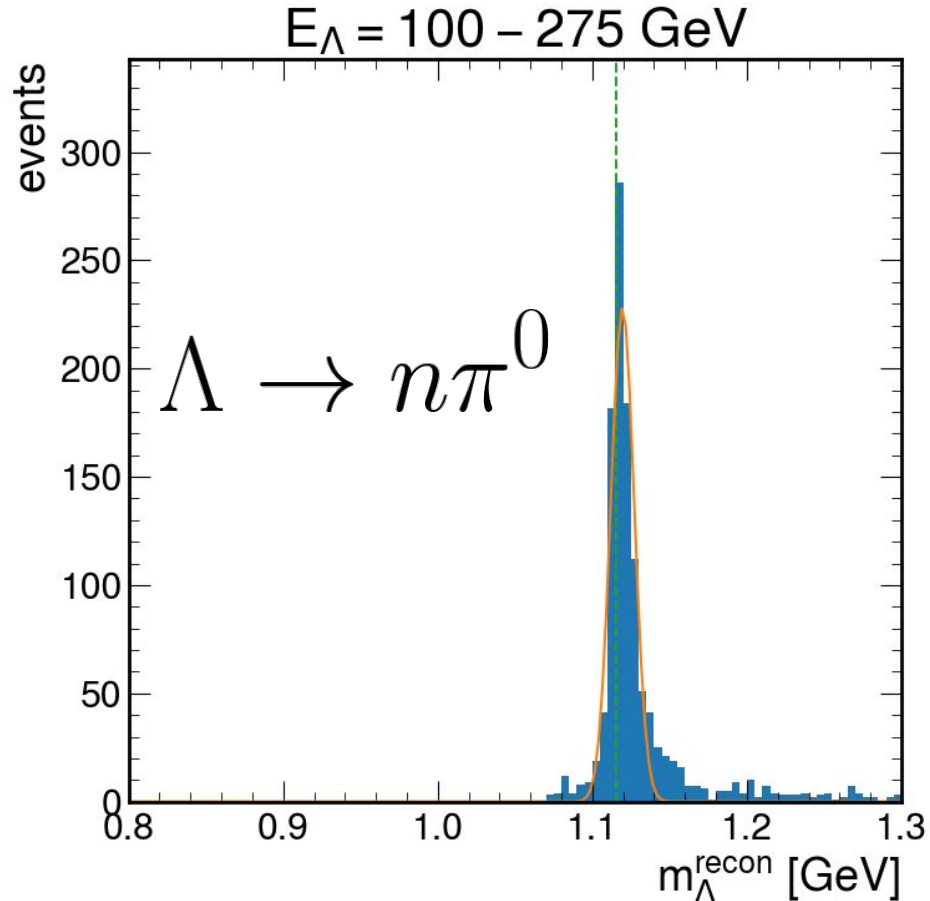
Use this constraint while calculating mass of



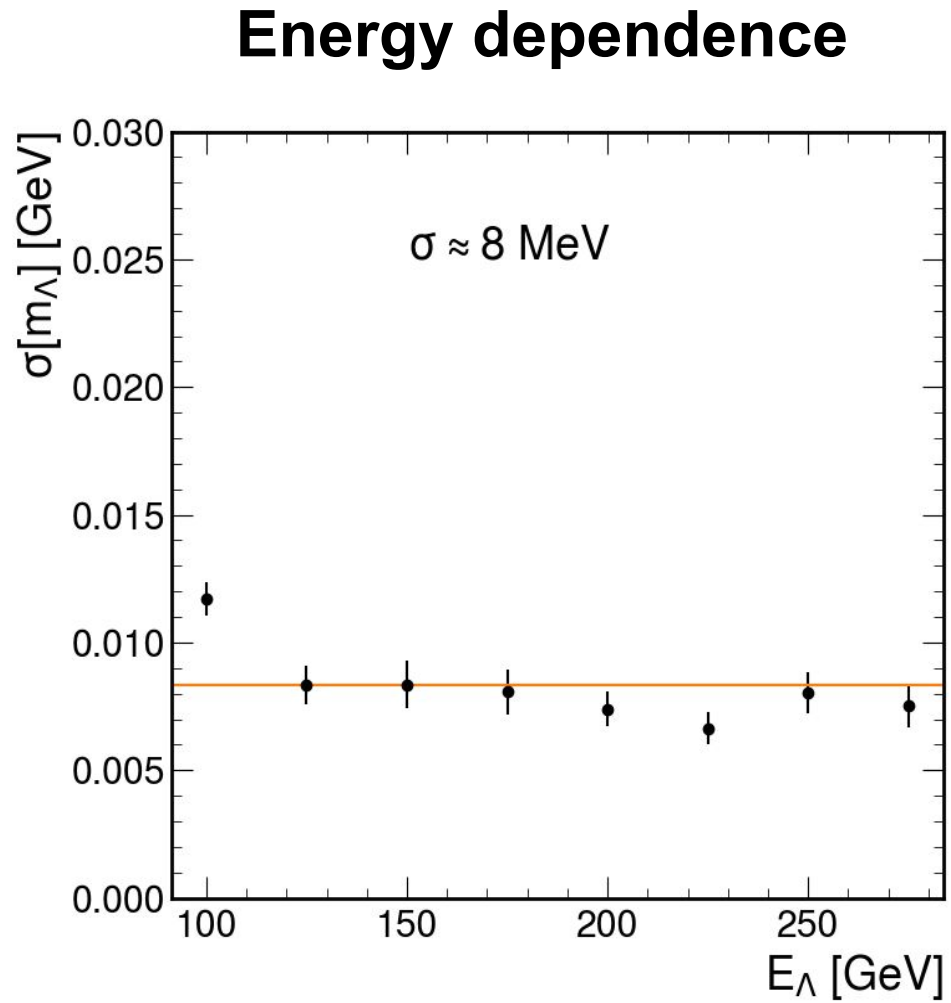
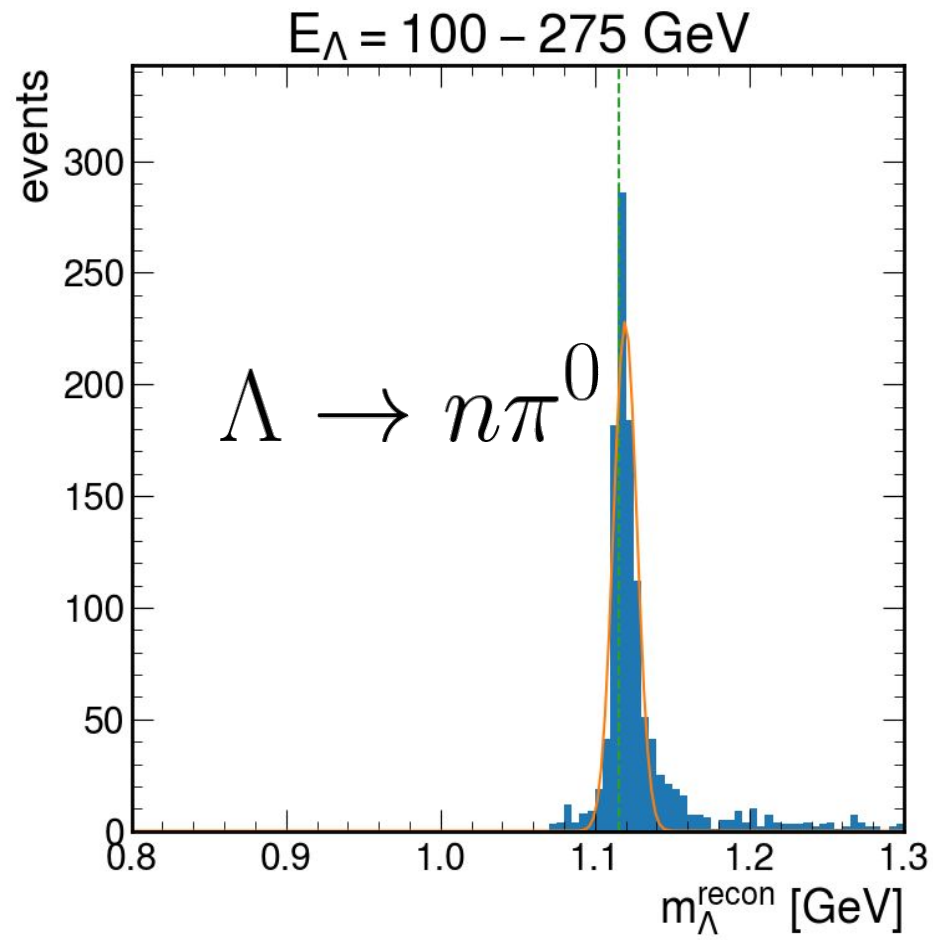
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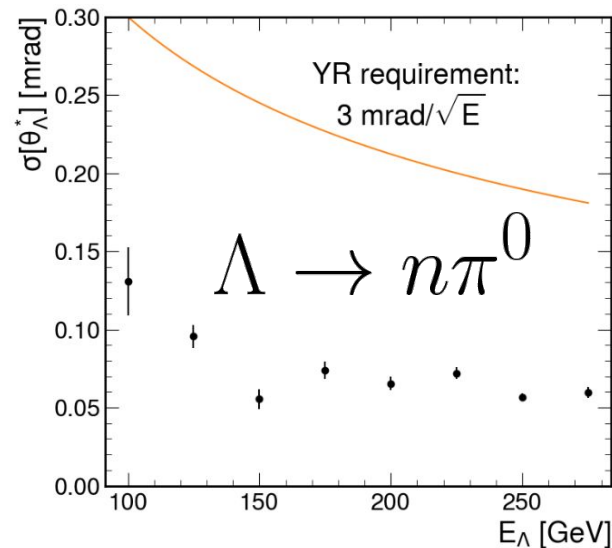
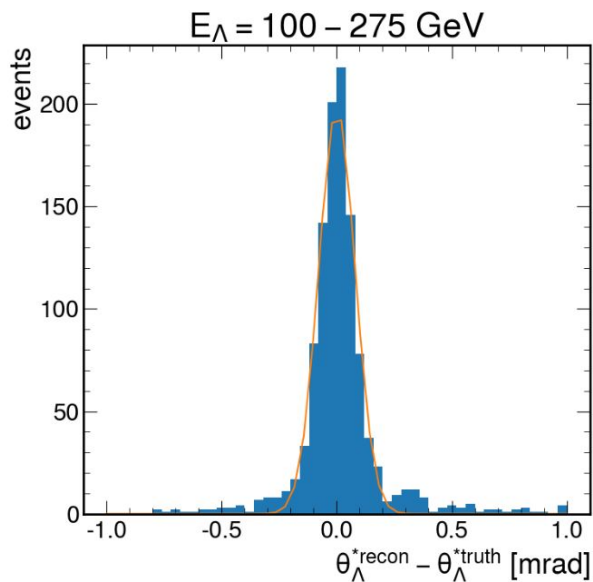
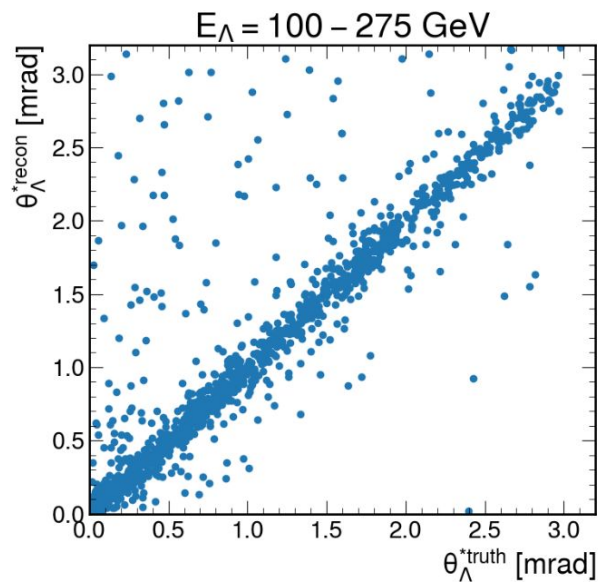
Lambda mass with SiPM-on-tile standalone (no crystal)



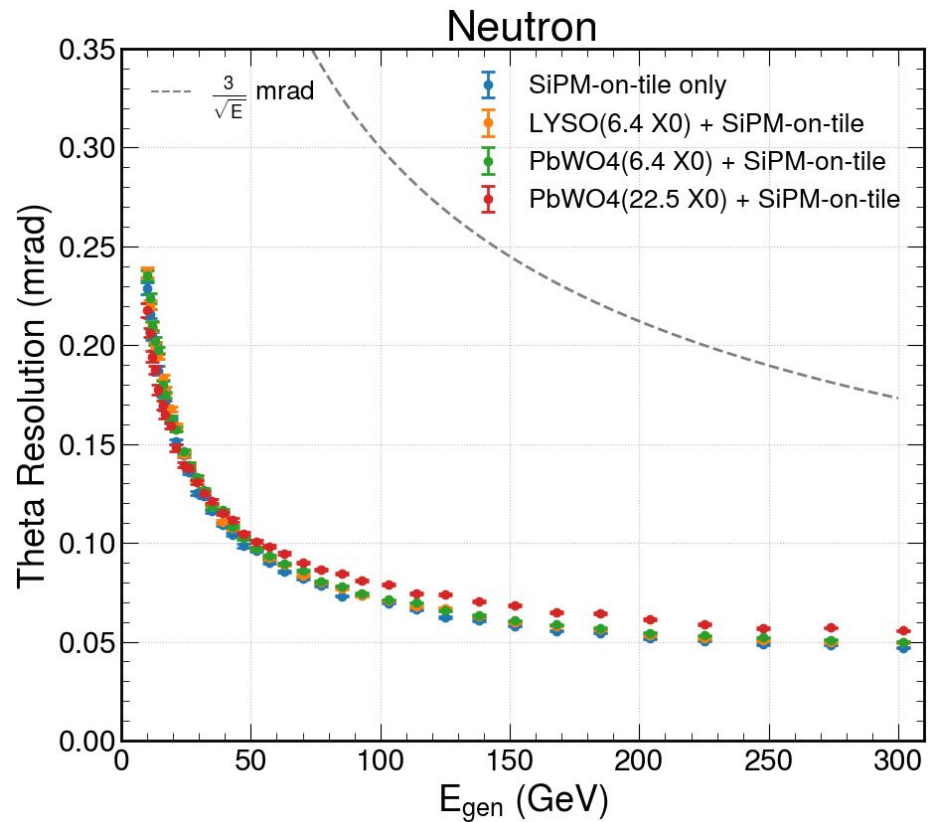
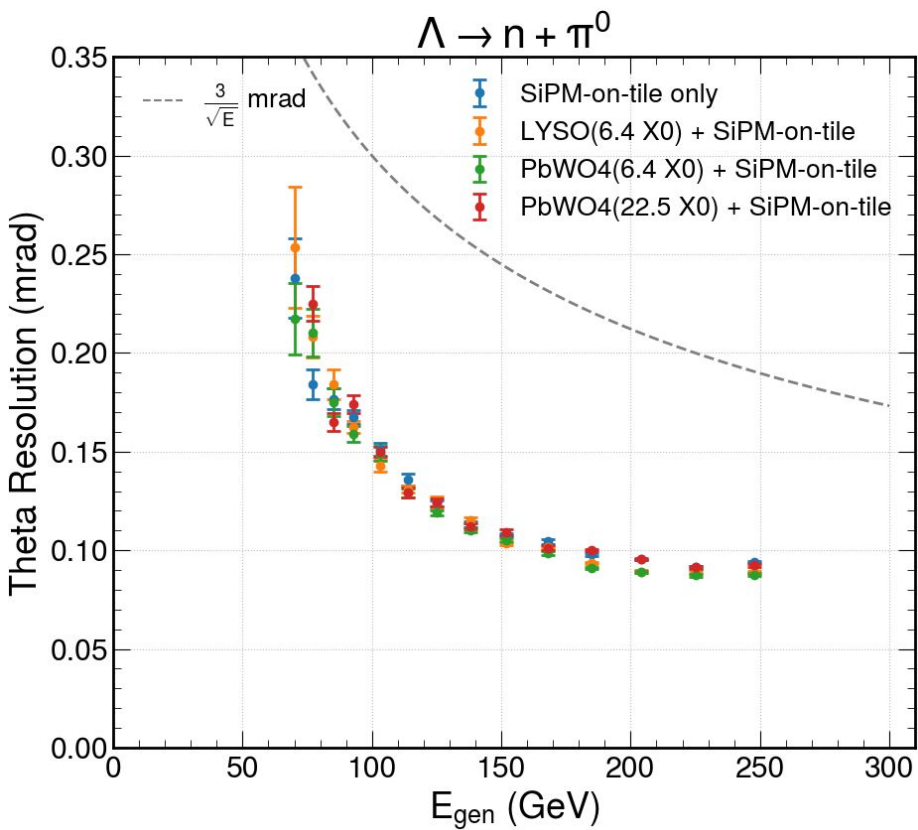
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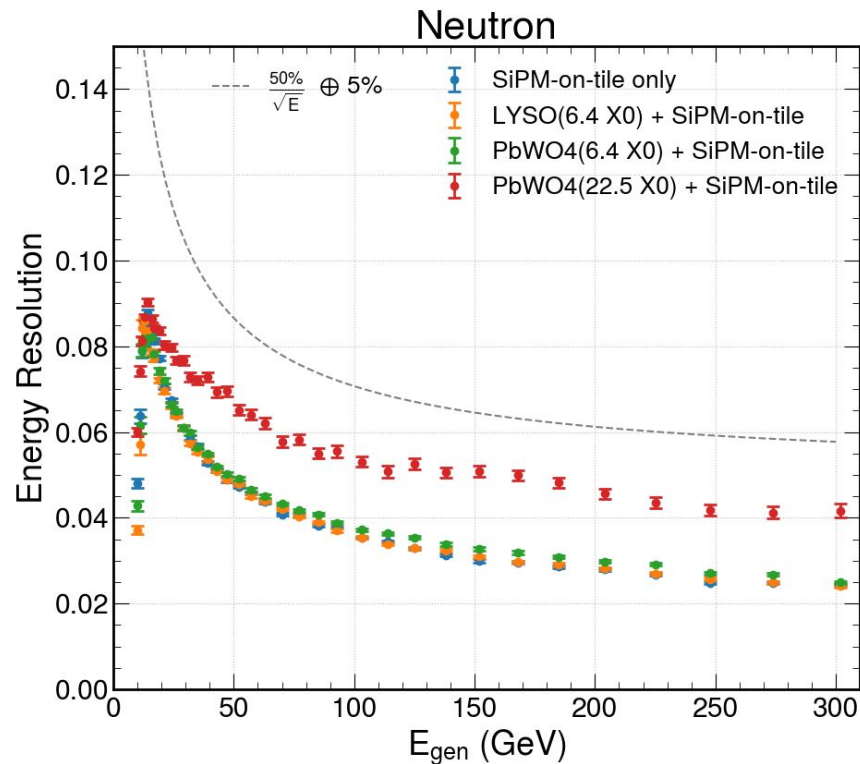
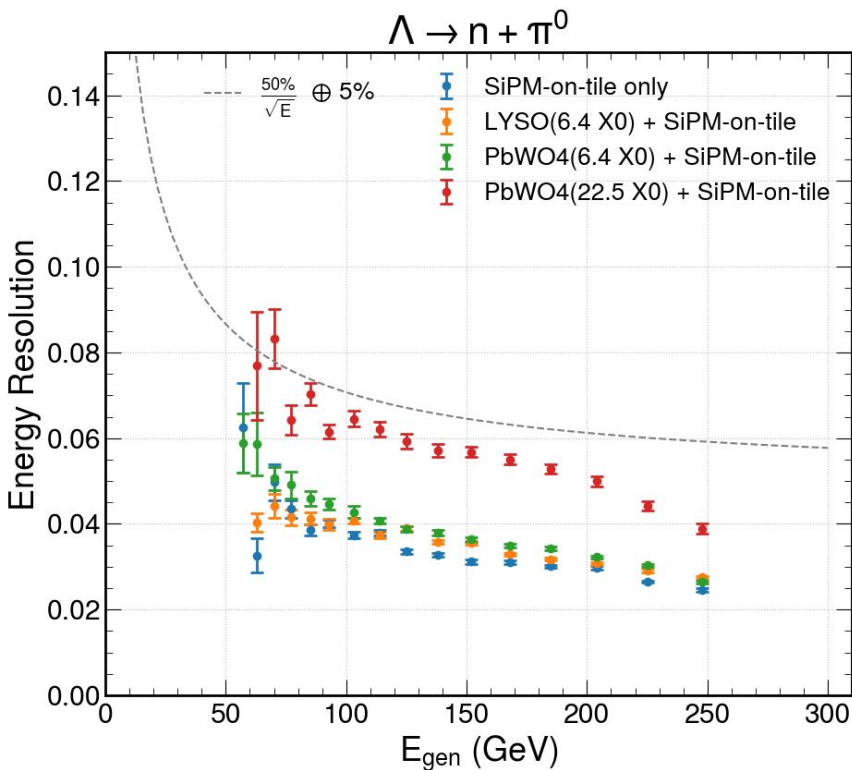
Lambda polar angle with SiPM-on-tile standalone (no crystal)



Angle resolution with GNN reconstruction

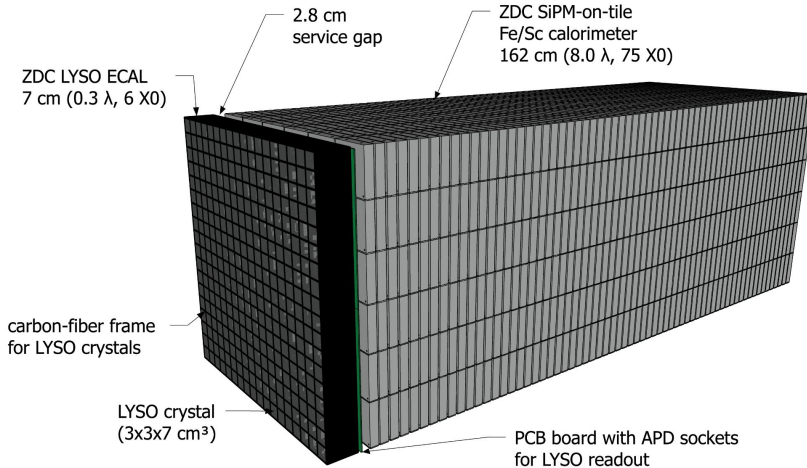


Energy resolution with GNN reconstruction



Take-Home Message

**SiPM-on-tile Fe/Sc and short LYSO crystal meet all physics requirements,
We have found no good reason to keep long PbW04 crystal in baseline.**



Low-energy [1 MeV-O(1) GeV] $\gamma \rightarrow$ LYSO
High-energy γ and $\pi^0 \rightarrow$ Fe/Sc
High-energy neutrons, $\Lambda \rightarrow$ Fe/Sc

Backup

Angle bias with GNN reconstruction

