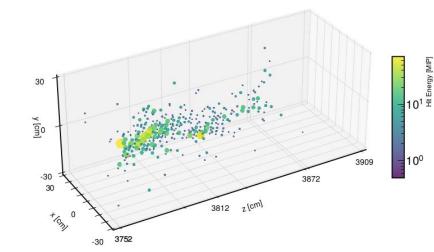
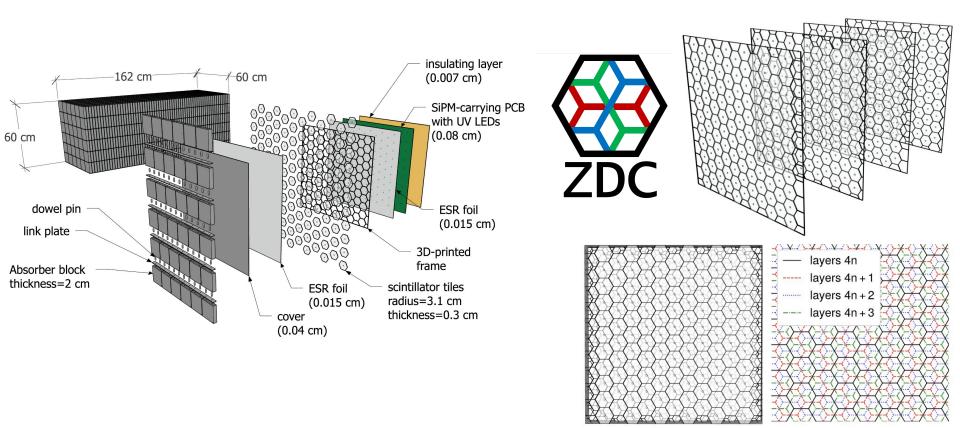
## SiPM-on-tile ZDC Reco Status

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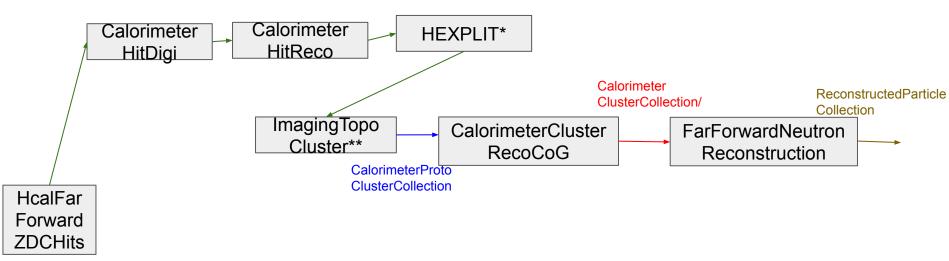
#### SiPM-on-tile ZDC

#### Novel "staggered design"



# Single neutron reconstruction in the SiPM-on-tile ZDC In ElCrecon

CalorimeterHitCollection

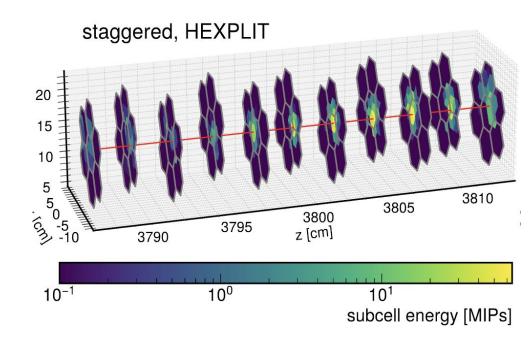


\* https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2023.169044

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### **HEXPLIT** algorithm\*

- Takes advantage of overlapping cells
- Redistributes energy within a given hit into "subcell hits" in regions defined by overlap between cells.
- Feeds into the clustering algorithm



https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/blob/main/src/alg orithms/calorimetry/HEXPLIT.cc

### Topological clustering

Using pre-existing ImagingTopoClustering algorithm implemented by Chao Peng. Starts with a definition of a neighbor:

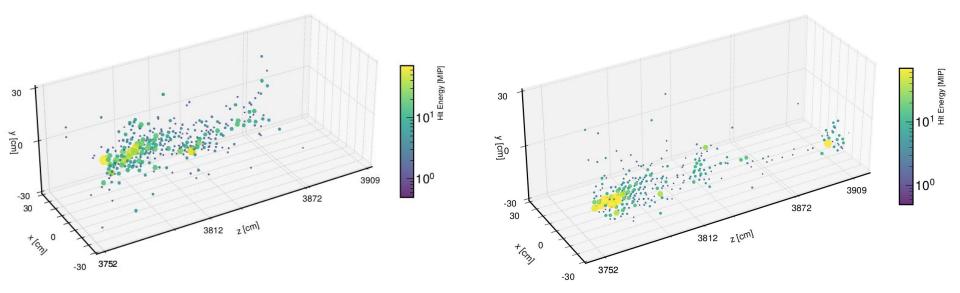
- Same layer:  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  cut
- Adjacent layers:  $\Delta \phi$  and  $\Delta \eta$  cut

Algorithm:

- 3 thresholds are defined for cell energy: *S* for seeding proto-clusters, *N* for growth of proto-clusters, and *P* for the minimum energy of any hit included
- Define seed hits for proto-clusters as those above threshold *S*, and include their neighboring hits in the protoclusters that are above threshold *P*
- For any hit with energy greater than *N*, include all of that hit's neighbors above *P*. (and merge if it has neighbors in more than one protocluster)

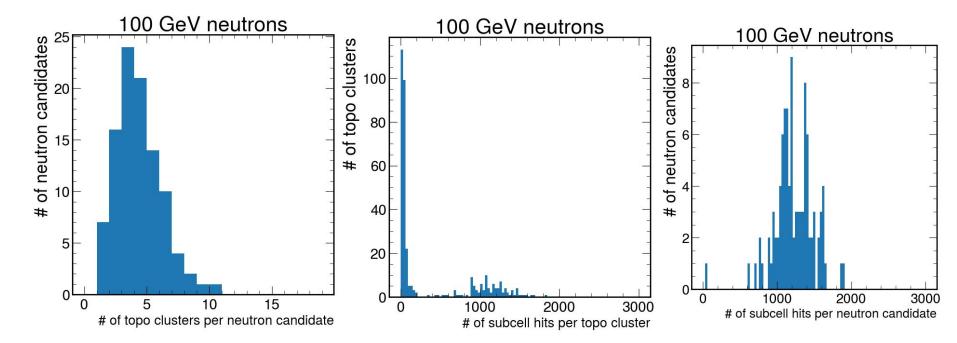
#### https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/blob/main/src/algorithms/calorimetry/ImagingTopoCluster.h

#### Example 100 GeV neutron showers



Due to high granularity, we EXPECT the topocluster to often yield more than one "cluster" per particle. This is expected, and seen in H1@HERA / ATLAS@LHC

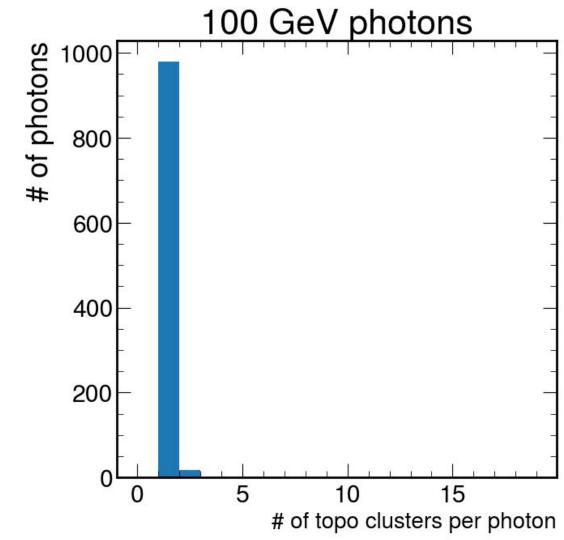
# Topo clustering and merging into "neutron candidates" in EICrecon



#### https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/blob/main/src/algorithms/reco/FarForwardNeutronReconstruction.cc

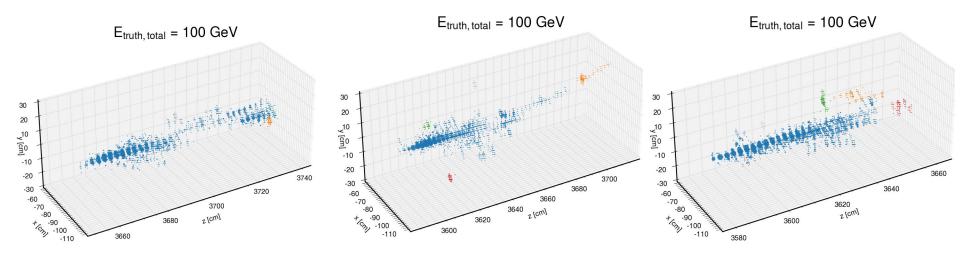
#### For reference...

Photon showers usually have only one topo-cluster per shower



#### Results of Clustering algorithm for neutron showers

Different colors represent different topoclusters formed by the imaging topoclustering algorithm. Shown are subcell hits (after HEXPLIT)



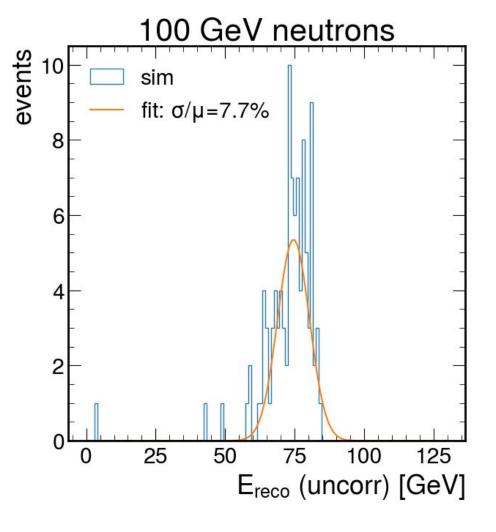
## Energy reconstruction (pre correction)

Sampling fraction calibrated with EM showers

About 30% below the truth energy of the neutrons.

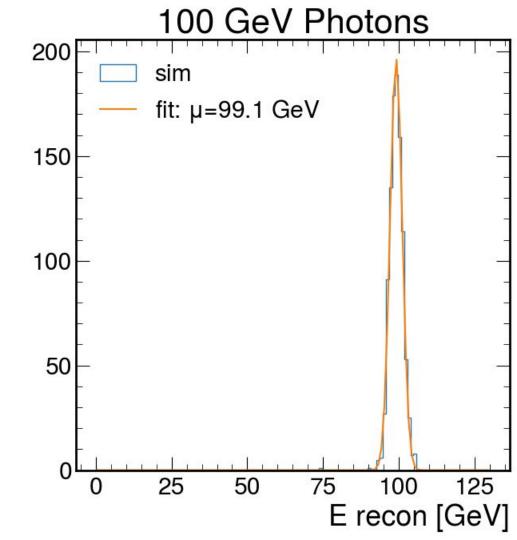
This is expected due to non-compesated nature of Fe/Sc calorimeter

(e/h~1.2)



### For reference:

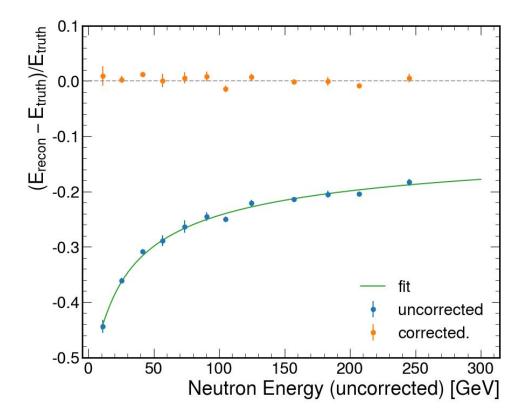
- Repeated procedure with photons
- Almost no difference between mean recon value and truth energy.

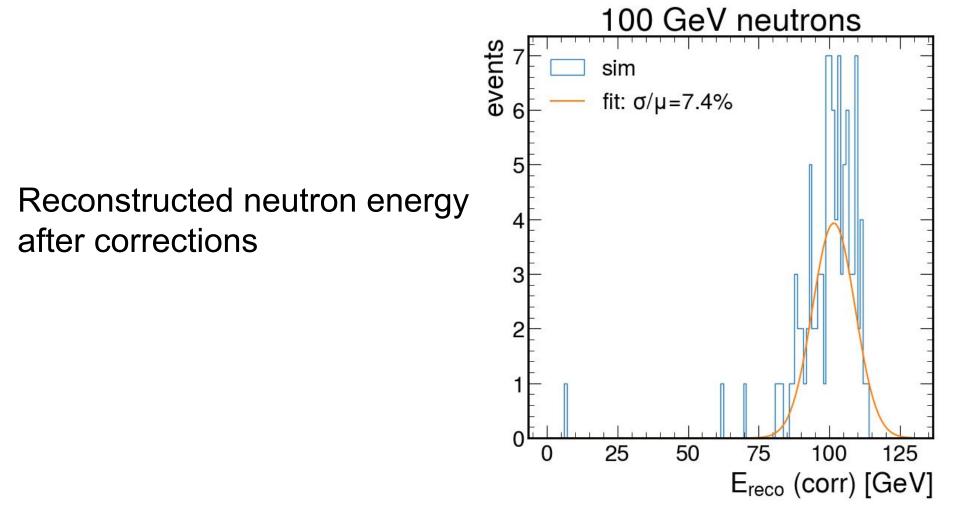


#### Scale correction for neutron recon

- Uncorrected energy is the total energy of all clusters in ZDC
- Determined a functional form for the correction\*:
- Ecorr=E/(1+a+b/sqrt(E)+c/E), where E is the uncorrected energy

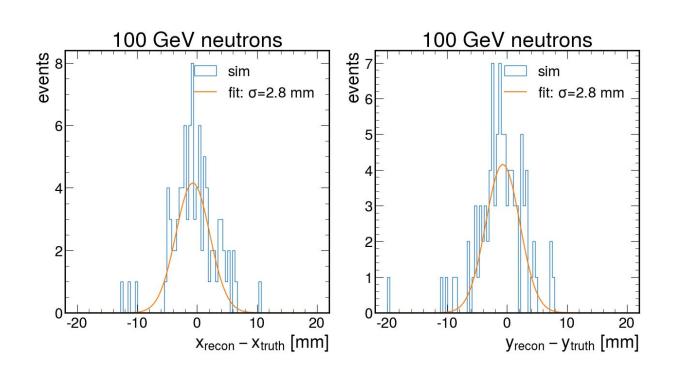
\*<u>https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/pull/1454</u>, merged into main two days ago.





#### Position reconstruction neutron showers in EICRECON

Determined using most energetic cluster in shower

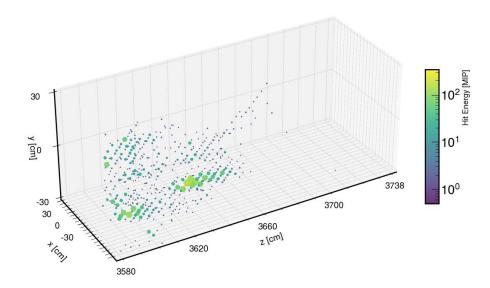


#### Lambda reconstruction in the ZDC

Require at least three clusters:

- Neutron + 2 gammas from  $\pi 0$
- Some events will fail this cut:
  - if one or more particles misses the ZDC
  - if the decay takes place downstream of the ZDC
  - If the showers from one particle are merged with those of another

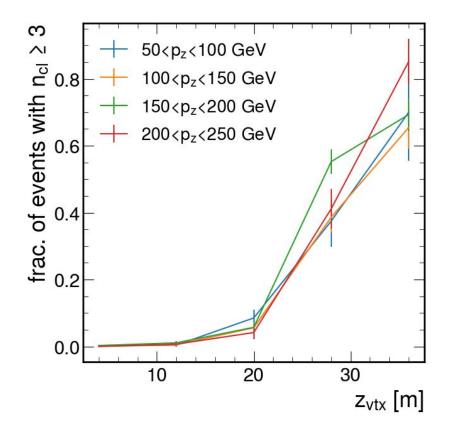
Etruth, total = 100 GeV



#### Acceptance\*Efficiency

Fraction of events which have at least 3 topo clusters in the final state

If the  $\Lambda$  decays too early, then one of the particles is likely to miss the detector.



### Calculating theta

First calculate 3d momentum:

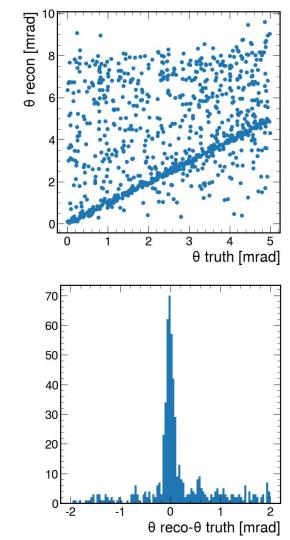
$$ec{p}_{\Lambda} = \sum_{i \in ext{clusters}} E_i rac{ec{x}_i}{ec{x}_i ec{x}_i ec{x}_i}$$

- Positions given by HEXPLIT/log-weight CoG
- Particles are assumed to come from the origin
- No energy correction

Large tails in  $\theta$  residual distribution

 Could be improved by better identification of Λ candidates through AI

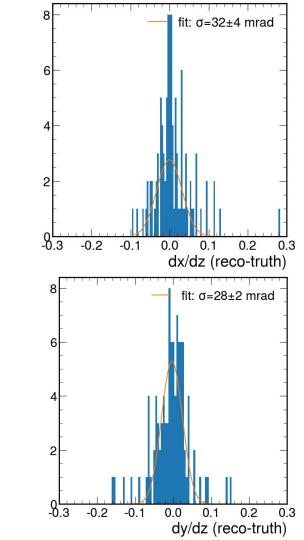
Peak width is ~0.08 mrad, comparable to earlier studies for a single neutron at ~100 GeV with HEXPLIT + log-weight CoG.



### Cluster shape parameters

- Determined the direction of the axis of the cluster as the eigenvector of the moment matrix (log-weighted CoG) corresponding to the largest eigenvalue
  - About 30 mrad of resolution
- Added this to the existing shape parameters

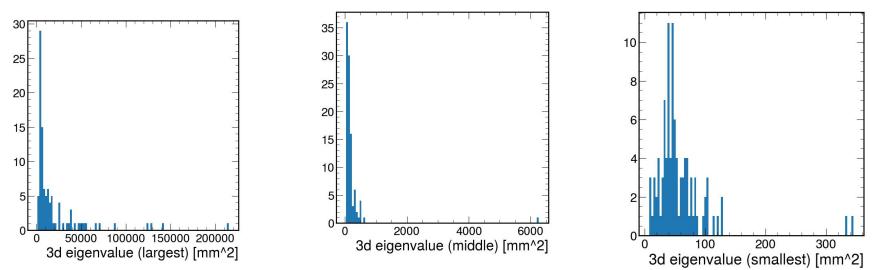
Draft pull request <a href="https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/pull/1391">https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/pull/1391</a>



#### Other shape parameters

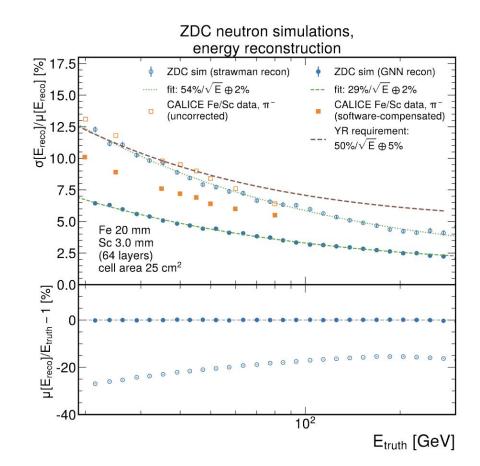
#### • Existing shape parameters

- 3D radius (weighted and unweighted)
- $\circ$  ~ 2D eigenvalues of weighted moment matrix in  $\theta$   $\phi$  space
- 3D eigenvalues of weighted moment matrix in x, y, z space
- Could be used for distinguishing between  $\pi$ 0, single photons and neutrons



# Graph Neural network approach to ZDC recon

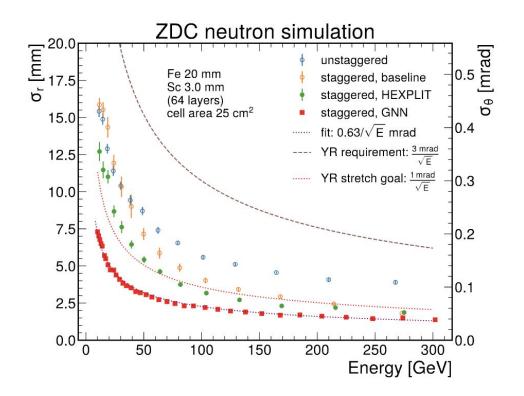
- Alternative to "conventional" method of recon
- GNN to be added to ElCrecon soon.
- Much better energy resolution than conventional recon
- Submitted to arXiv, should be up soon.
- Currently being added to the EICrecon



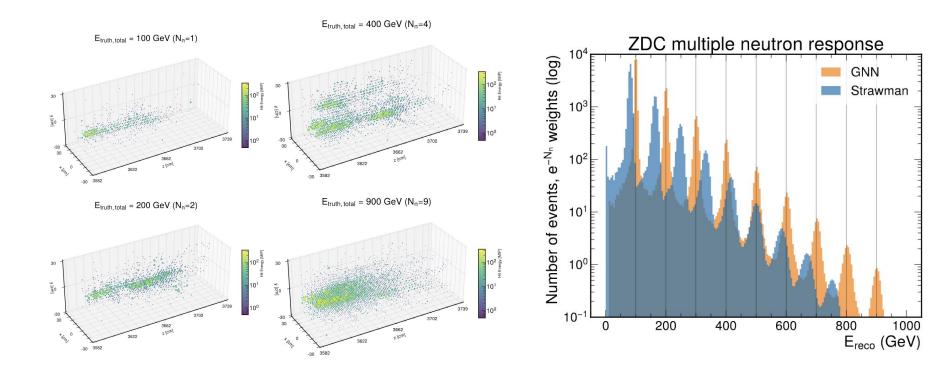
#### Position resolution from GNN

Outperforms conventional (HEXPLIT+log-weighted CoG) method especially at low energies.

Currently GNN being added to EICRECON



#### Multi-neutron events in the GNN



#### Conclusions

- Single-neutron recon:
  - Can be reconstructed using topological clusters, which are then merged to form a single neutron candidate
  - Energy correction is applied as a function of the total energy
  - Merged into ElCrecon with pull request #1454
- Lambda reconstruction
  - Theta resolution is comparable to that of the neutron recon
  - More work should be done to identify "good" lambda events
- GNN recon:
  - Alternative to conventional methods.
  - Better resolution for both neutron energy and angle than the conventional methods
  - Can also reconstruct multi-neutron showers

#### pT reconstruction

- Limitations of this approach:
  - Neutron energy will be biased due to non-compensated response
  - This biases the overall response for the lambda momentum
  - Al could improve this by identifying neutron and removing energy bias.

