

# Forward detectors with ePIC simulation (updates)

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# Motivation

- In the past few month a few updates were made with the FF simulations, which impacts many processes studied at the EIC, which some of our interests:
  - Background vetoing program (veto incoherent VM processes by tagging ion decay fragments)
  - Soft photons (photons from ion deexcitation in quasi-coherent scattering)
  - Nucleon tagging (proton in ep and protons/neutrons in eA)
- Today we provide a feedback on single particle response of the Far-Forward detector array in ePIC simulation (B0, RP, ZDC, OMD)

# Main updates

- New ZDC geometry ([PR610](#)+ [PR534](#))
  - Forward beampipe + ZDC exit window ([PR665](#))
  - Beampipe is filled with vacuum ([PR492](#) + **NEW UPDATE**)
  - B0 detector crystals being harmonized with CAD drawing (**NEW UPDATE**)
- + Updates that I'm not aware of ...

# Beampipe with vacuum

## Code

Far-Forward detector array components are defined in

[https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/main/compact/far\\_forward/default.xml](https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/main/compact/far_forward/default.xml)

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4 <lccdd>
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6 <include ref="ion_beamline.xml" />
7 <include ref="beampipe_hadron_B0.xml" />
8 <include ref="electron_beamline.xml" />
9 <include ref="B0_tracker.xml"/>
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11 <include ref="offM_tracker.xml"/>
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13 <include ref="ZDC_Crystal_LYSO.xml"/>
14 <include ref="roman_pots_eRD24_design.xml"/>
15 <include ref="vacuum.xml"/>
16 <include ref="magnets.xml"/>
17
18 </lccdd>
```

[\[ion\\_beamline.xml\]](#):

Forward Magnets, with coordinates defined in [\[definitions.xml\]](#)

[\[beampipe\\_hadron\\_B0.xml\]](#):

beampipe in B0 + FF beampipe from B1APF to B2PF, filled with vacuum, with ZDC exit window.

[\[vacuum.xml\]](#):

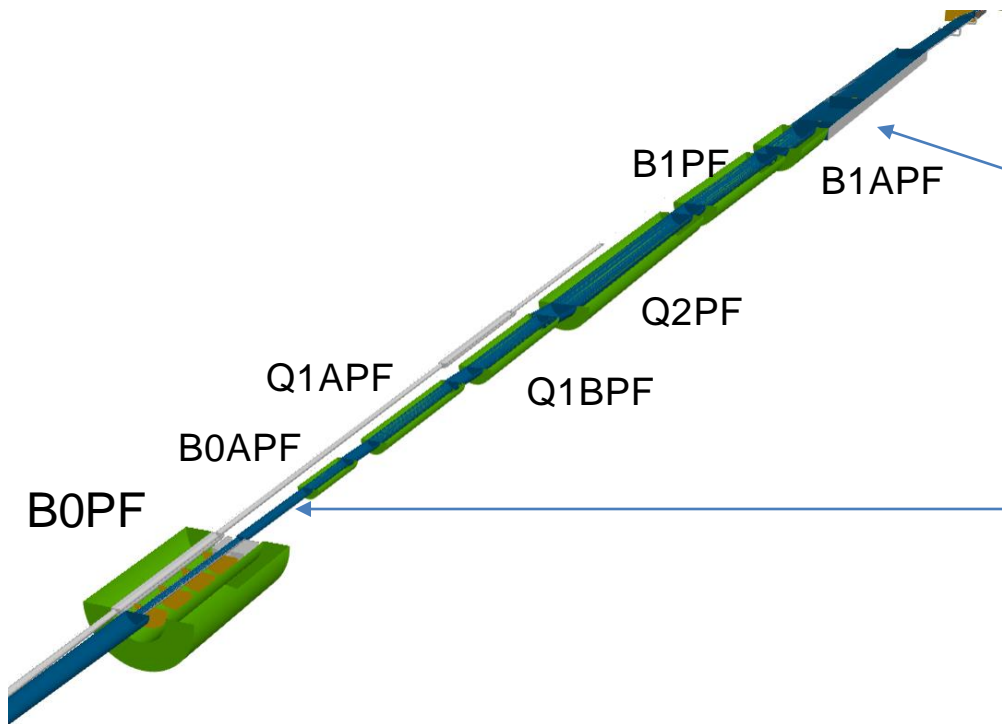
vacuum between forward insert and B1APF

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[\[ion\\_beamline.xml\]](#):

Forward Magnets, with coordinates defined in [\[definitions.xml\]](#)  
B0PF, B0APF, Q1APF, Q2BPF, Q2PF, B1PF, B1APF, B2PF

[\[beampipe\\_hadron\\_B0.xml\]](#):

beampipe in B0 + FF beampipe from B1APF to B2PF, filled with vacuum, with ZDC exit window.

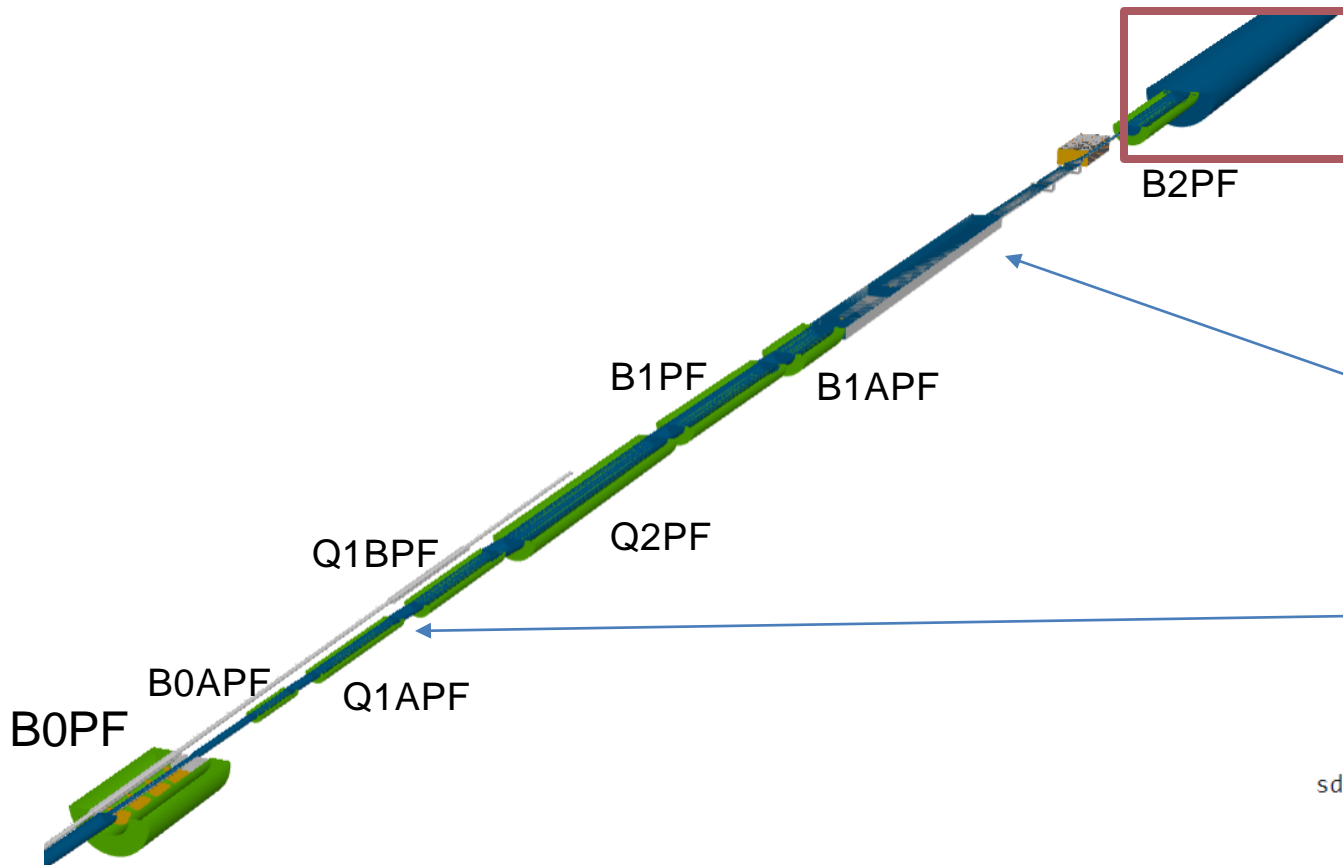
[\[vacuum.xml\]](#) → [magnetVacuumFF.cpp](#):

vacuum between forward insert and B1APF

# Beampipe with vacuum

Code (**updated**)

New PR with vacuum filled from z~40 to 100 m (<https://github.com/eic/epic/pull/720>)



[\[ion\\_beamline.xml\]](#):

Forward Magnets, with coordinates defined in [\[definitions.xml\]](#)  
B0PF, B0APF, Q1APF, Q2BPF, Q2PF, B1PF, B1APF, B2PF

[\[beampipe\\_hadron\\_B0.xml\]](#):

beampipe in B0 + FF beampipe from B1APF to B2PF, filled with vacuum, with ZDC exit window.

[\[vacuum.xml\]](#) → [magnetVacuumFF.cpp](#):

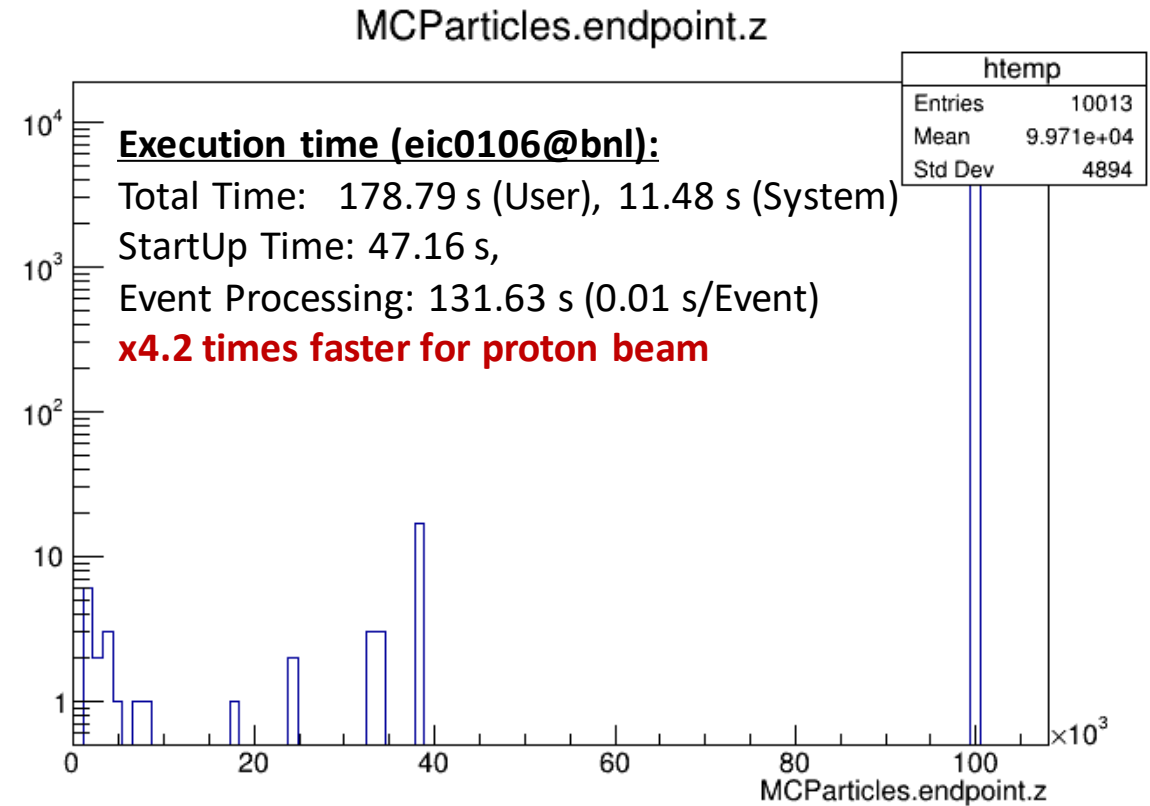
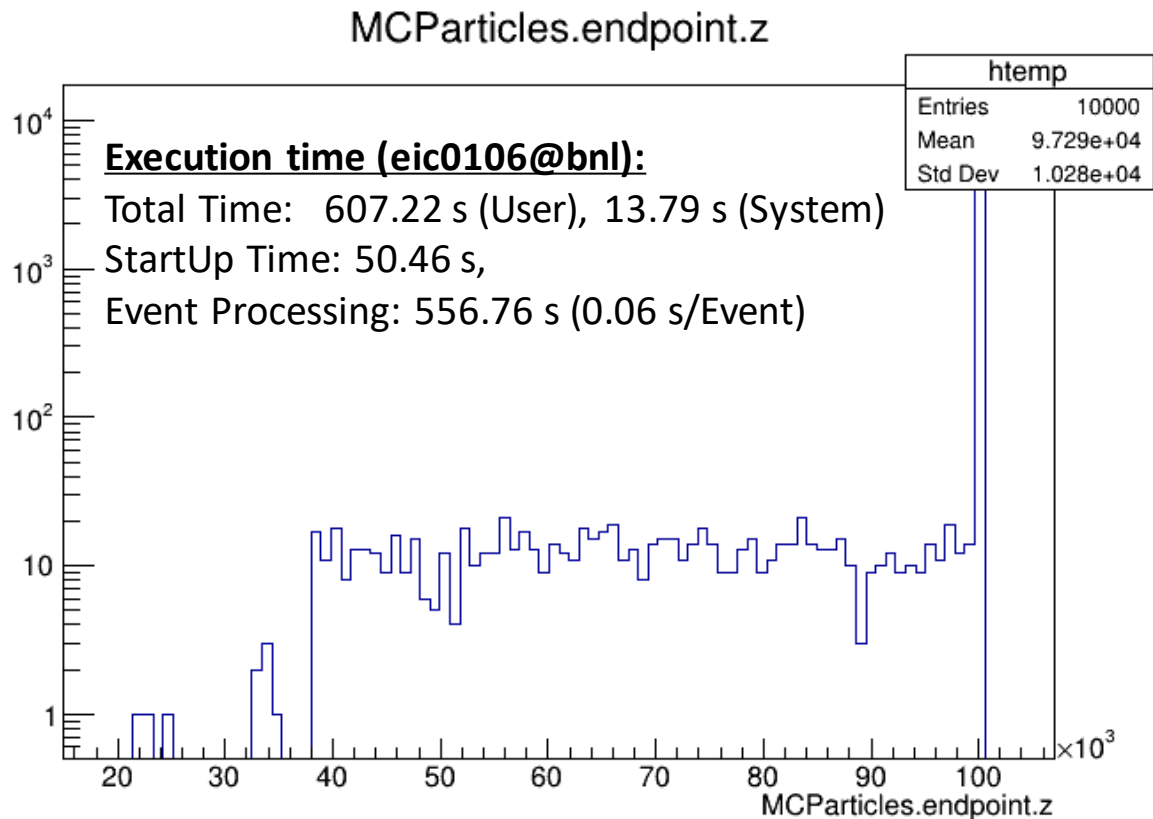
vacuum between forward insert and B1APF + **new vacuum from B2PF (including) until Z=100m**

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sdet.setAttributes(det, vpiece, x_det.regionStr(), x_det.limitsStr(),  
"InvisibleNoDaughters"); // make invisible instead of AnlBlue
```

# Execution time

- Generate 41GeV protons, (the steering file shown in the backup)

`ddsim --steeringFile test.py -N 10000 --compactFile $DETECTOR_PATH/$DETECTOR_CONFIG.xml --outputFile edm4hep.root`



# Execution time

- Generate 41 GeV protons, (the steering file shown in the backup)

**x4.2 times faster for proton beam**

- Coherent J/psi in ePb

**No ions: 2 s/Event, Standard: 180 s/Event, this RP: 15 sEvent**

- Incoherent J/psi in ePb (ion dissociation)

**Standard: 310 s/Event, this RP: 30 sEvent**

**x10 times faster for Pb beam**

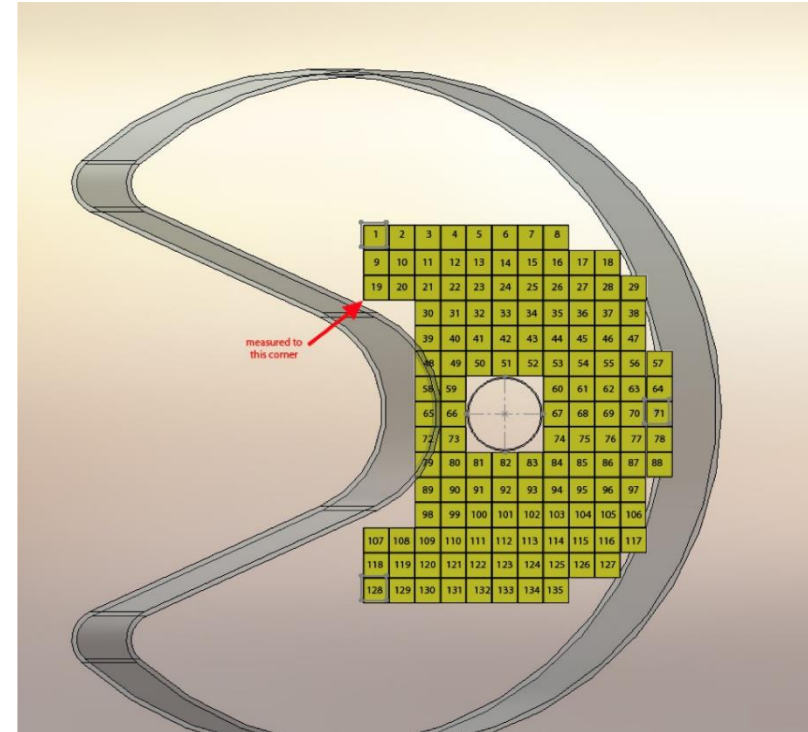
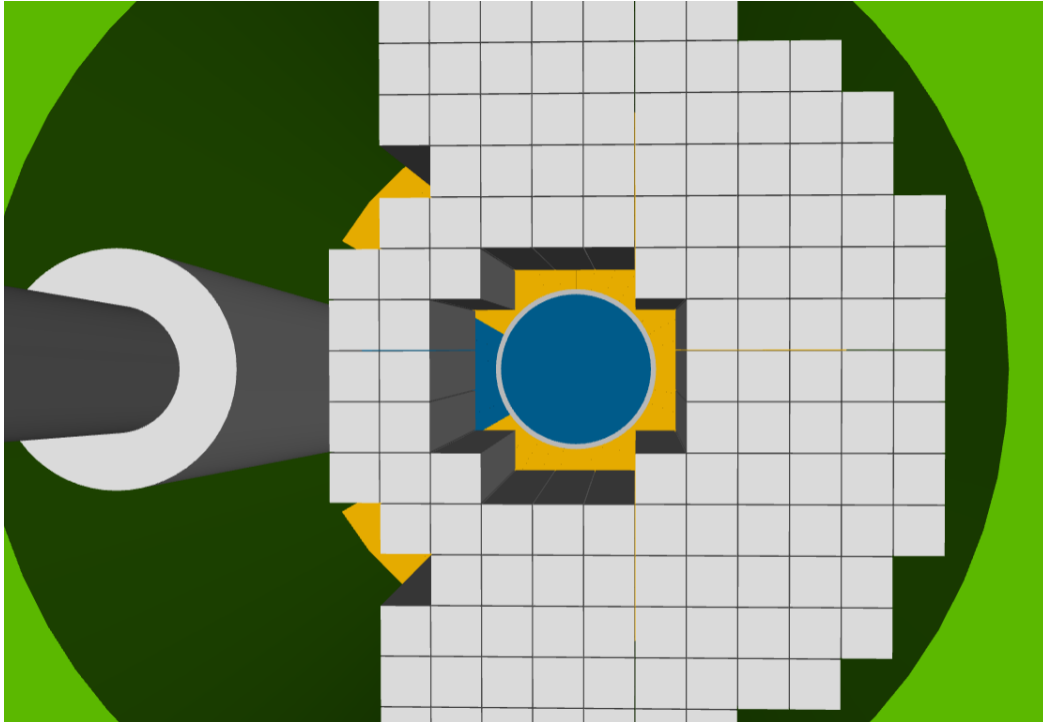
- We like to merge this PR as it improves simulation execution time for

physics studies <https://github.com/eic/epic/pull/720>



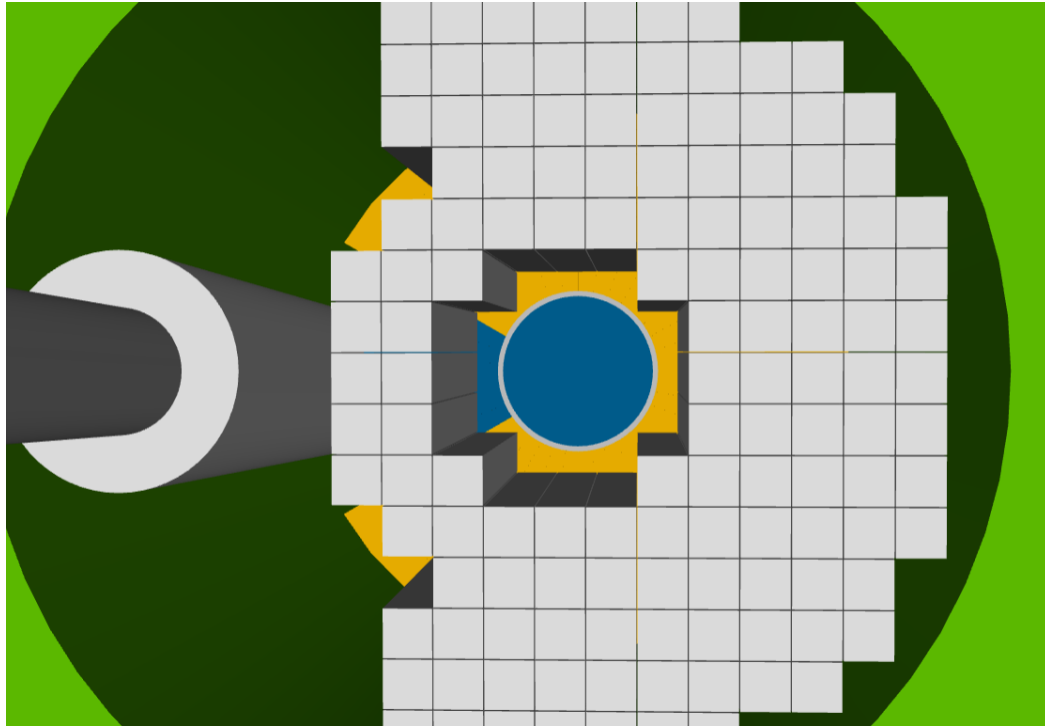
# BO geometry update

- Harmonization of the simulation geometry with the CAD drawing

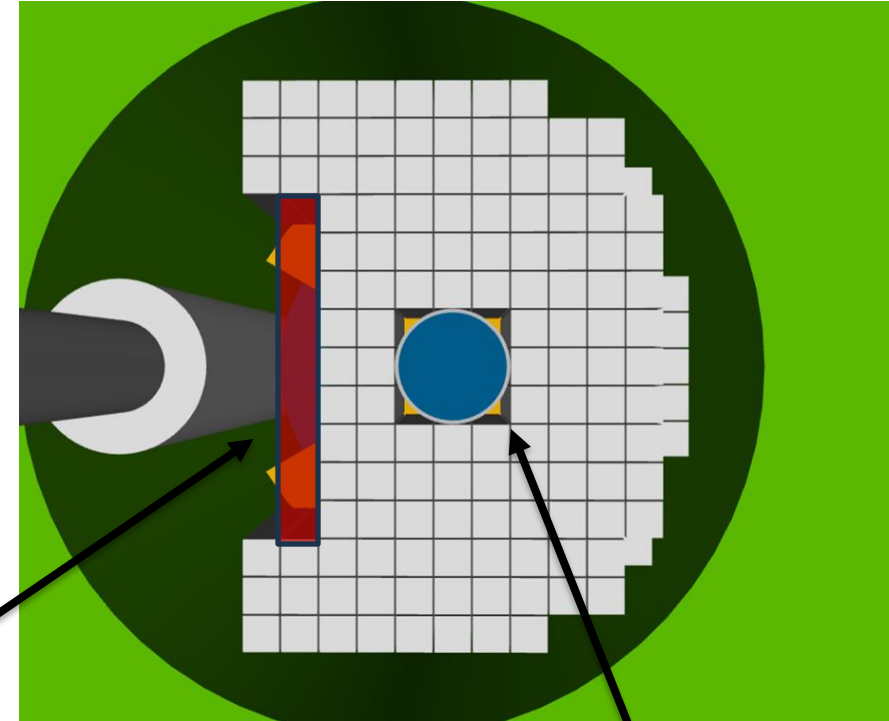
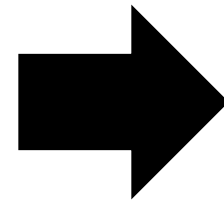


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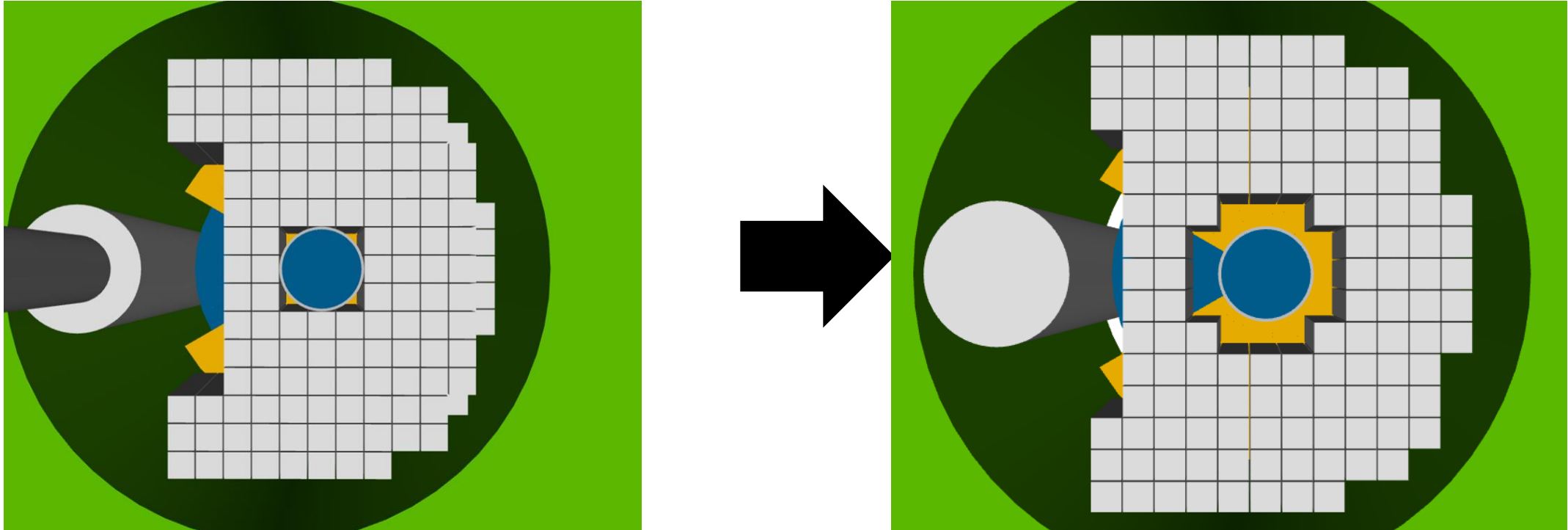
Additional space that can be filled with crystals



0.5mm between hadron beampipe ( $r=3.1\text{cm}$ ) and crystal edge (crystal =  $2\text{cm} + 0.5\text{mm}$  wrapper)

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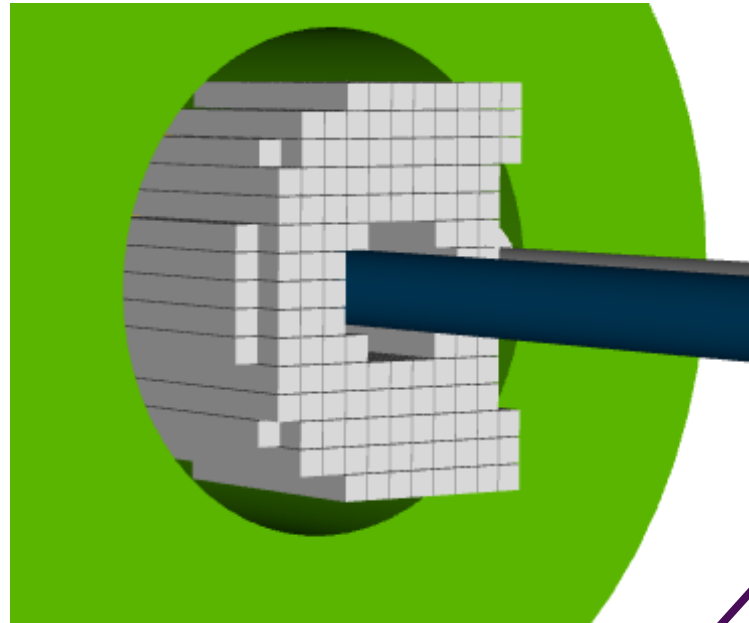
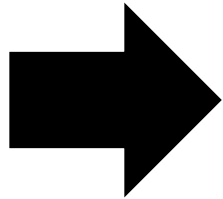
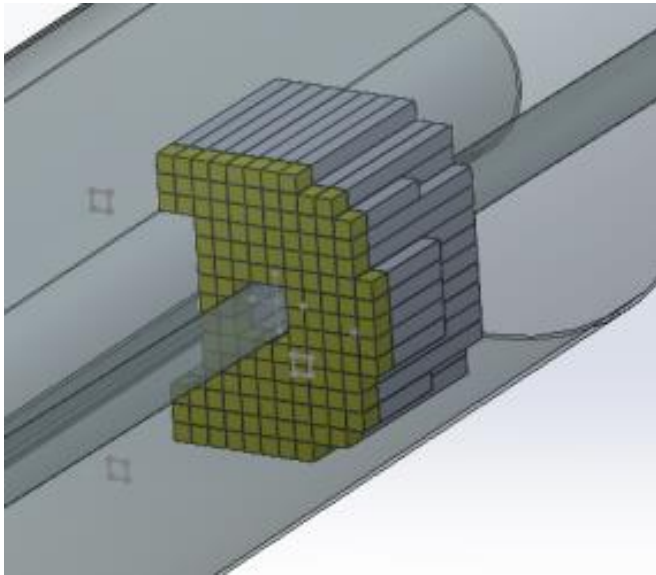
- Harmonization of the simulation geometry with the CAD drawing



- Large tolerance between hadron beampipe and the detector
- Added more crystals on the electron side

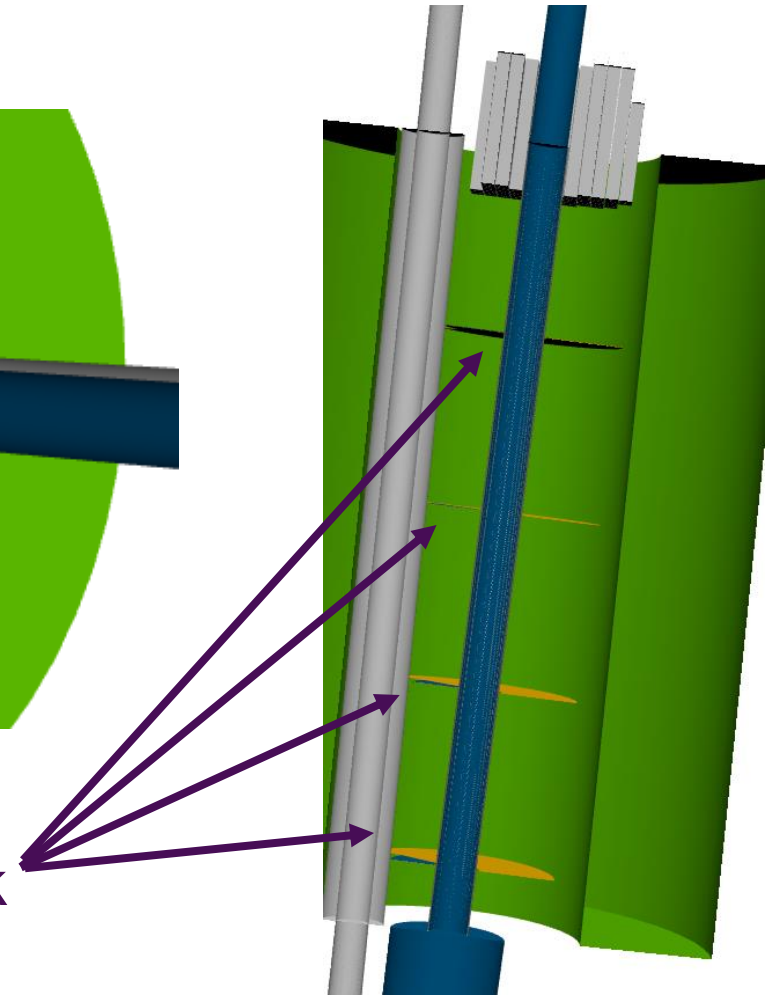
# B0 geometry update

- CAD drawing was studied to identify which crystals need to be shorten in case detector is pulled backwards



- B0ECAL moved 15cm forward, this allows more space for tracking planes

B0Trk



# Photons in B0

## Acceptance in B0 X-Y plane

- Spatial photon acceptance tested with particle gun, and defined as:

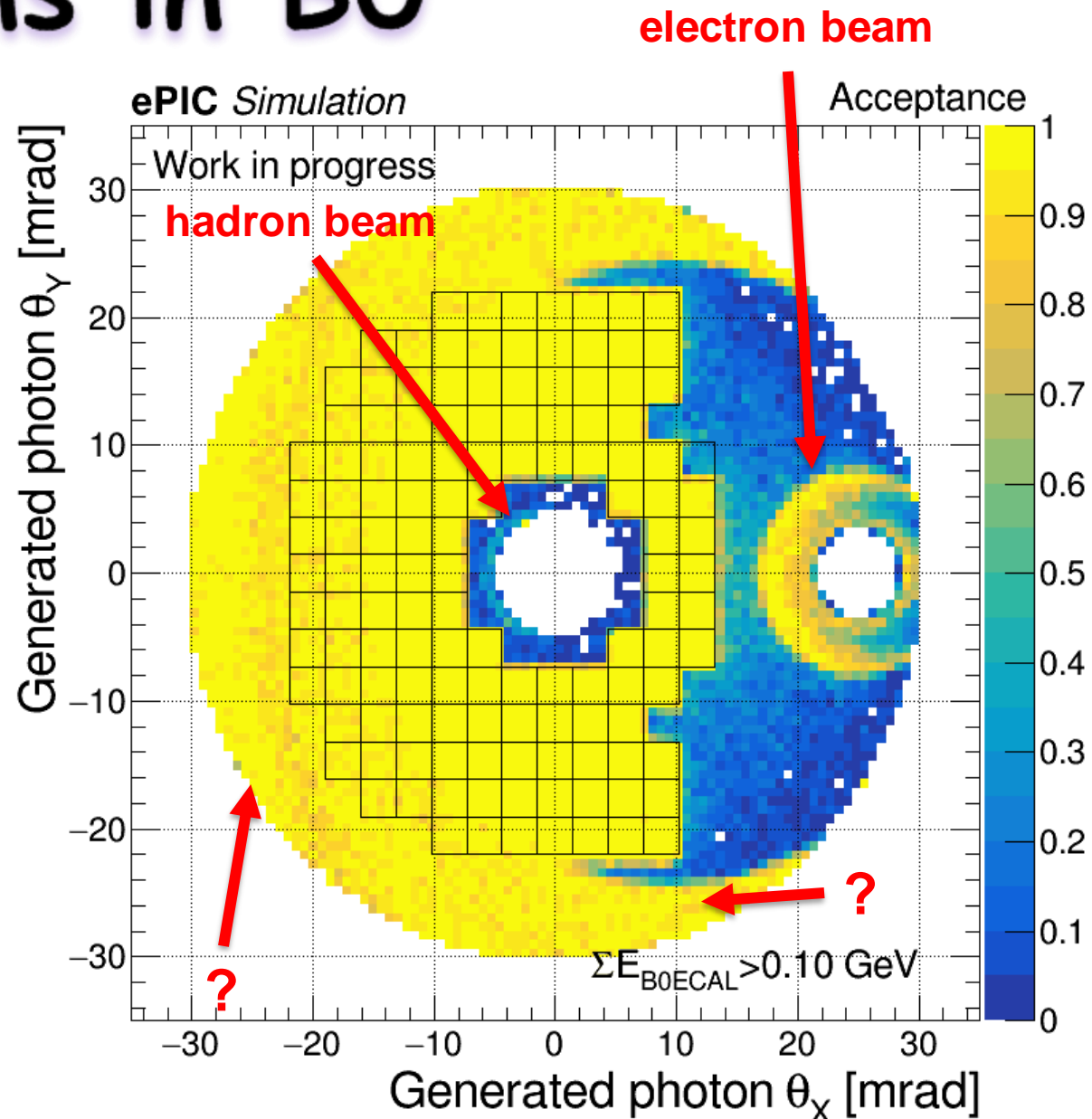
$$A = \frac{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^* | E_{B0ECAL} > E_{th})}{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^*)}$$

- Set energy threshold in EMCAL > 0.5 GeV

## Observations

- Photons out-of-fiducial region (outside EMCAL) deposit energy in EMCAL.
- Caused by photon conversion in earlier detector's material

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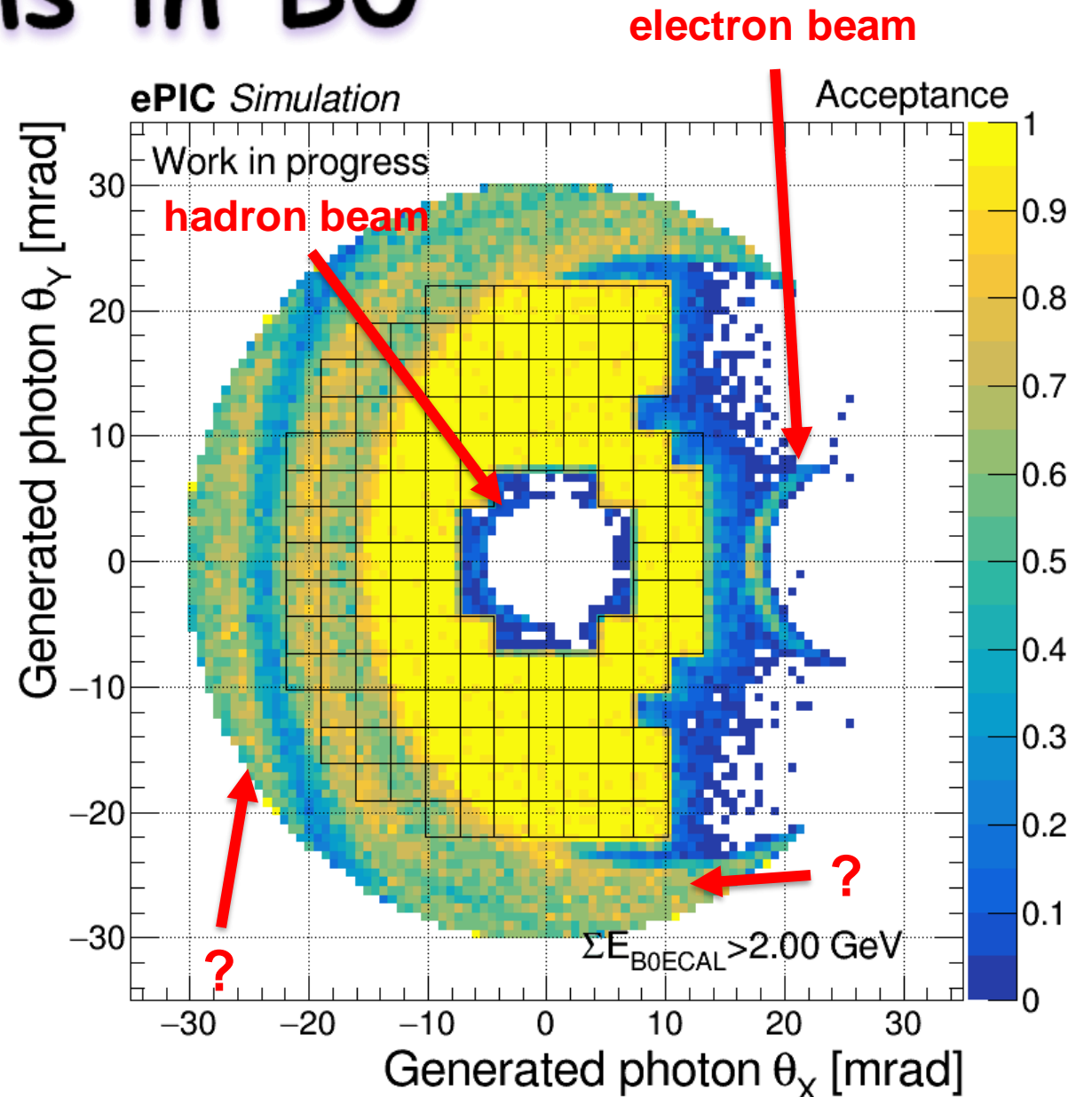
$$A = \frac{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^* | E_{B0ECAL} > E_{th})}{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^*)}$$

- Set energy threshold in EMCAL > 20 GeV

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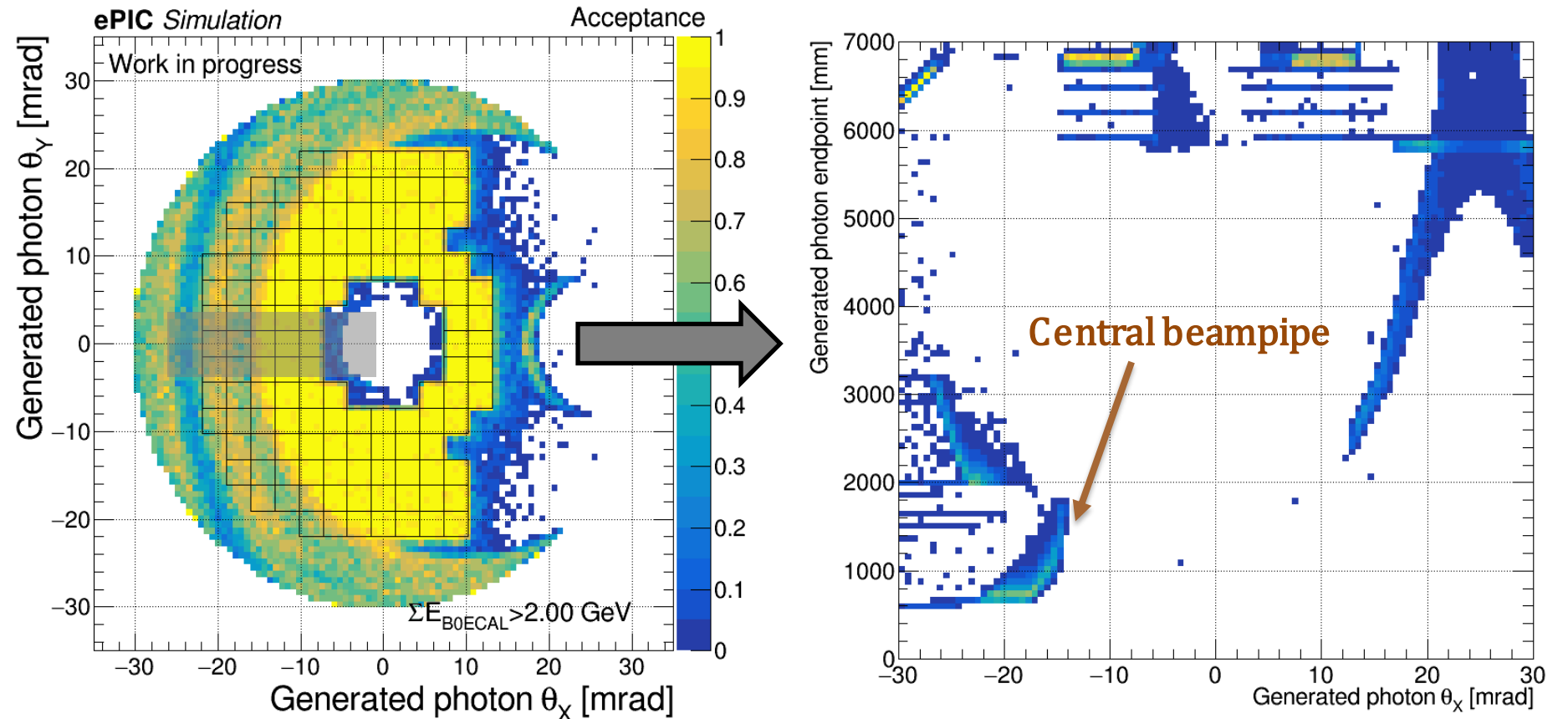


# Photons in B0

## Acceptance in B0 X-Y plane

- G4 simulation provides information of the photon endpoint (where  $\gamma \rightarrow ee$  starts)
- Issue with the central beampipe is persist

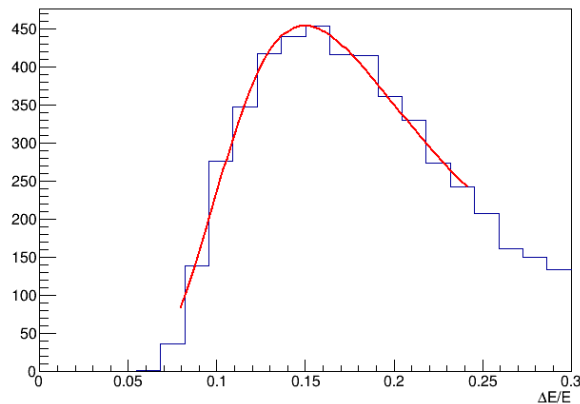
Plot photon endpoint  
along the X axis ( $\theta_Y \sim 0$ )



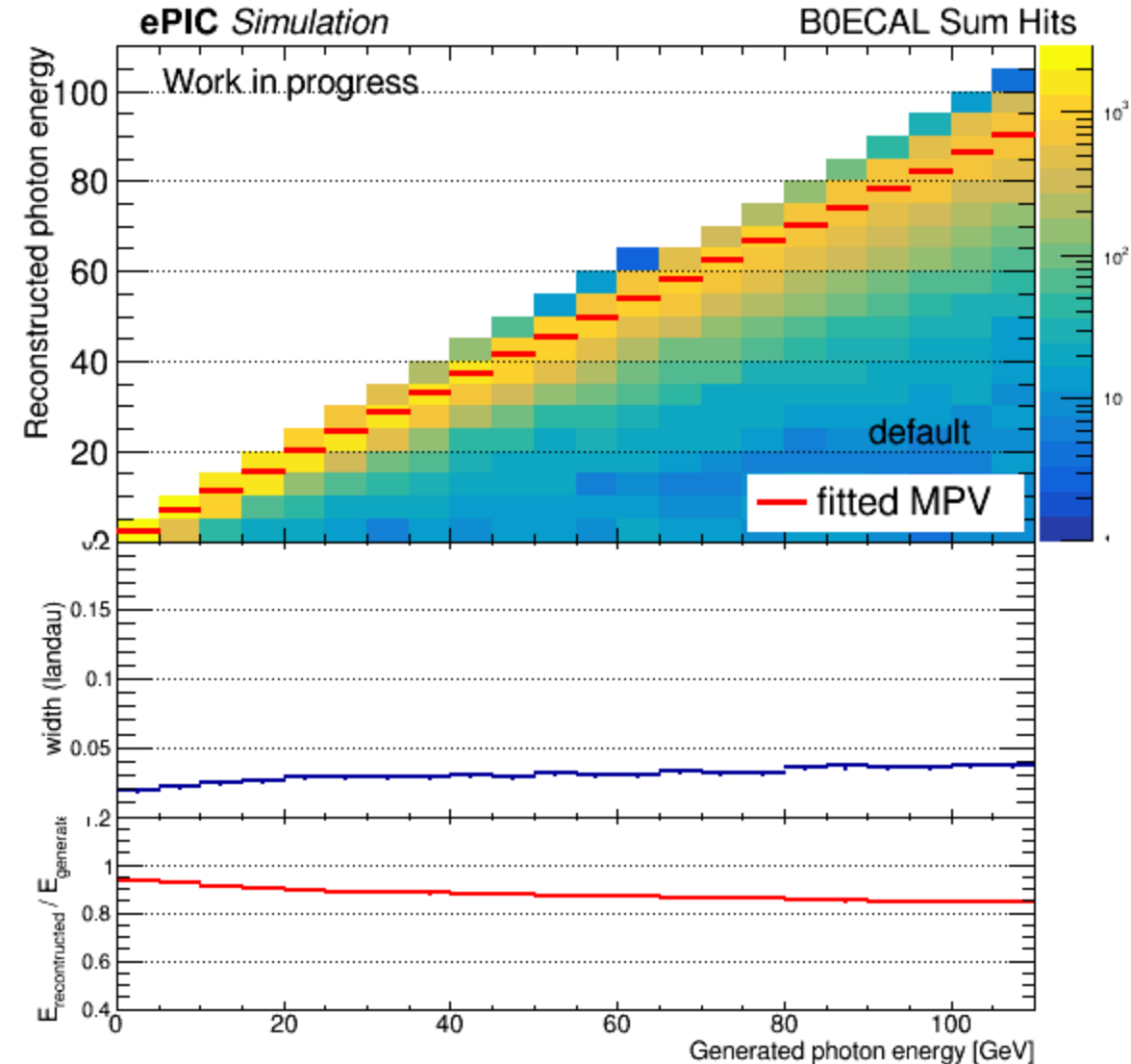
# B0 detector performance (ddsim)

## Energy response for $\theta < 13\text{mrad}$

- To study the entire detector's sensitive area beampipe was removed from the simulation.
- When photons interact before the B0ECAL energy response is not defined (fluctuations and bias)
- NOTE: light yields are not included yet (reco level)



**E(ph)=110GeV**

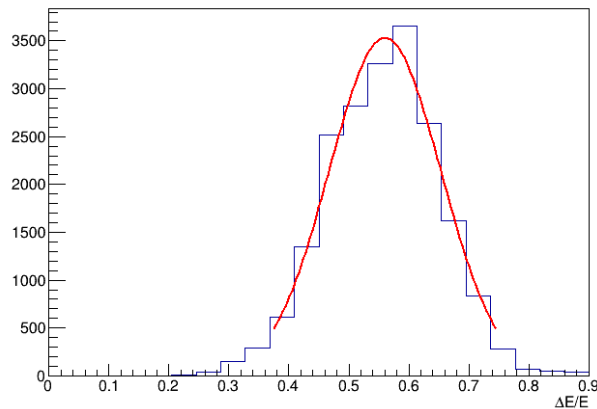




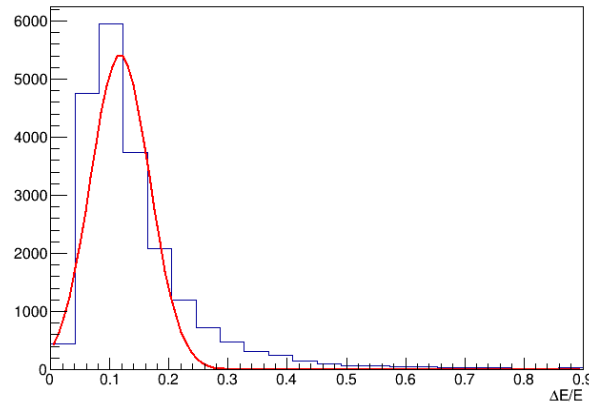
# B0 detector performance (EICRecon)

## Energy response for $\theta < 13\text{mrad}$

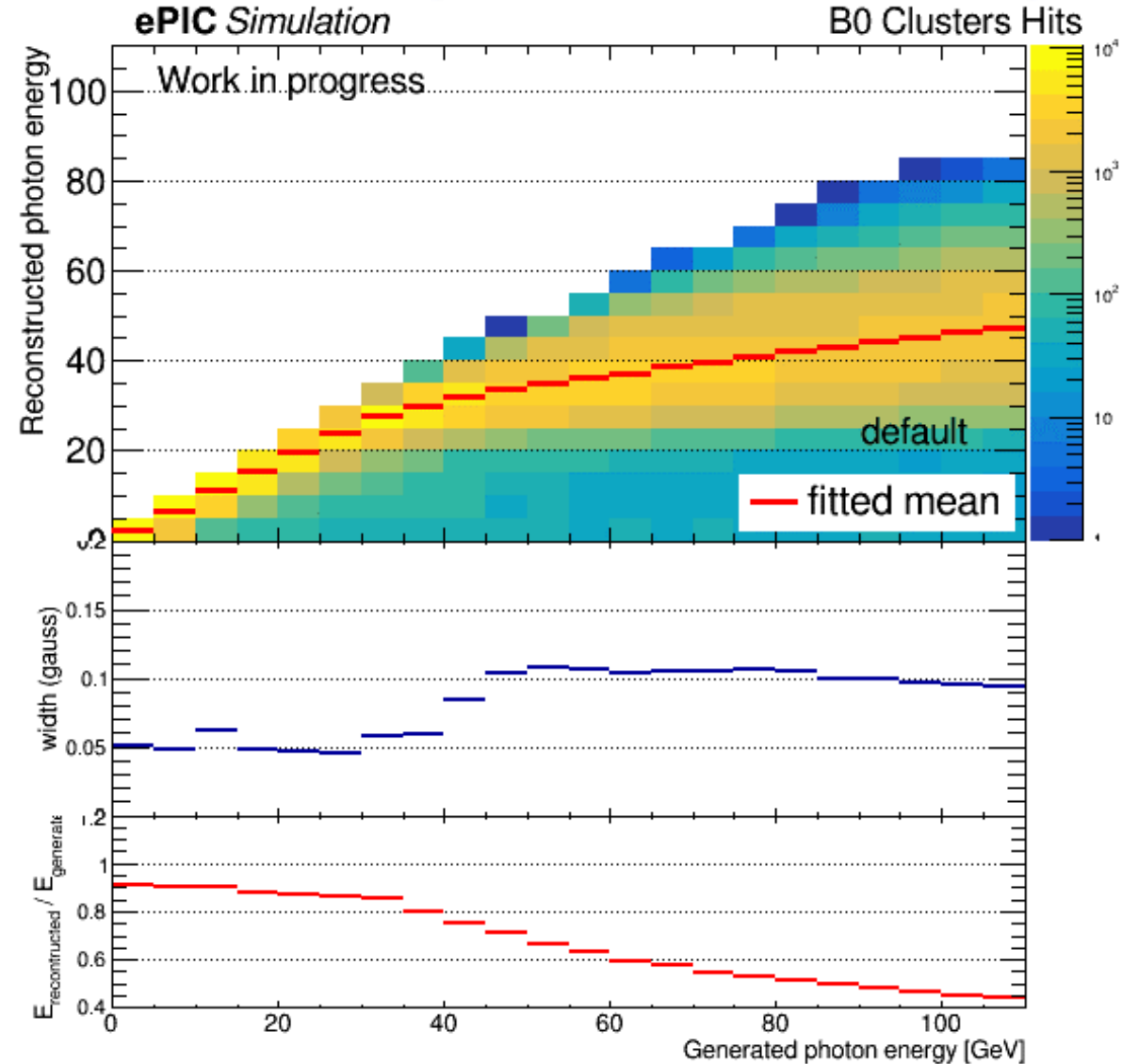
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**E(ph)=110GeV**



**E(ph)=10GeV**



# Photons in ZDC

## Acceptance in ZDC X-Y plane

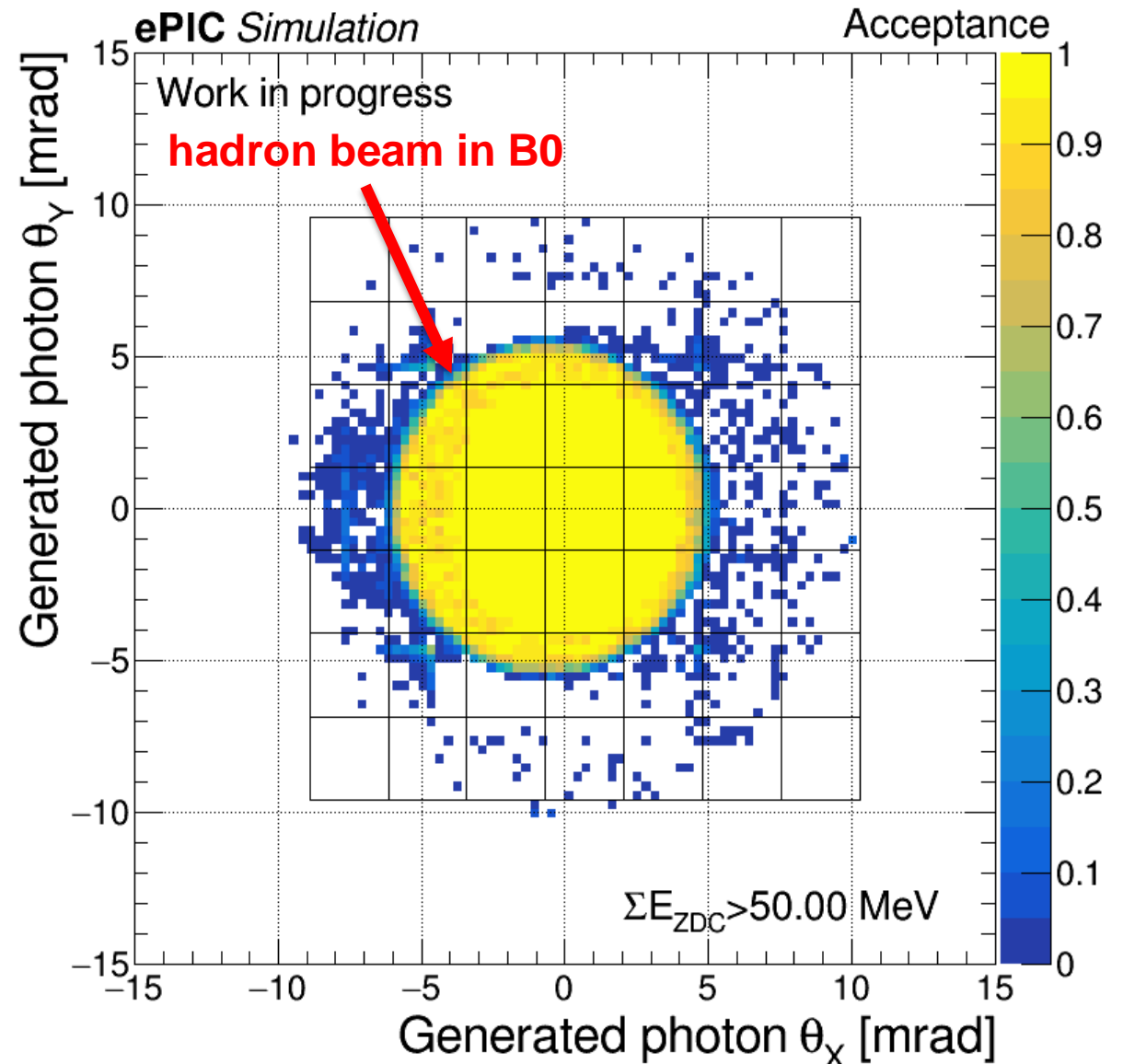
- Spatial photon acceptance tested with particle gun, and defined as:

$$A = \frac{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^* | E_{ZDC} > E_{th})}{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^*)}$$

- Set energy threshold in ZDC  $> 0.05$  GeV

## Observations

- Photons contained within the hadron beampipe inside the B0 magnet.



# Photons in ZDC

## Acceptance in ZDC X-Y plane

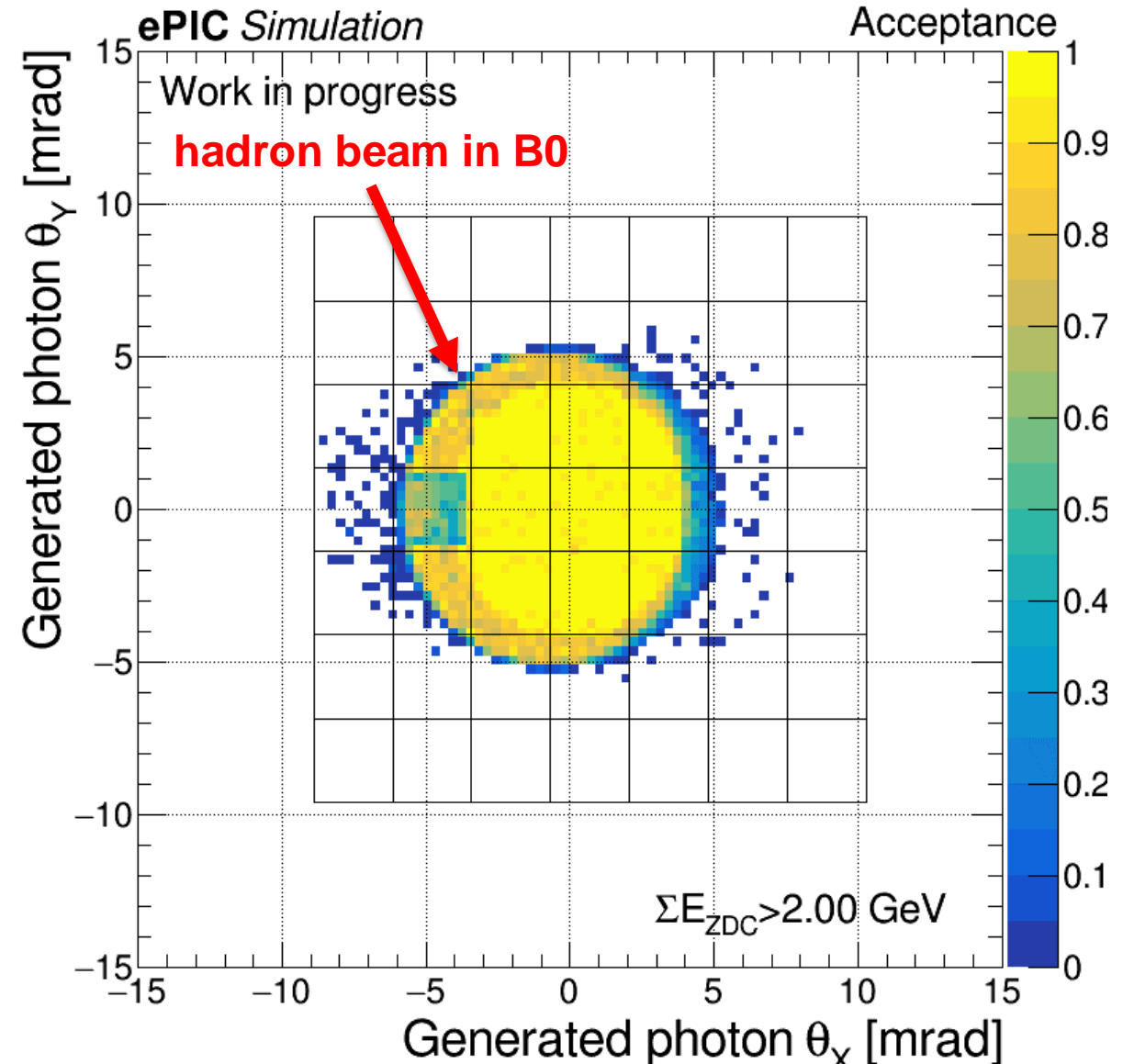
- Spatial photon acceptance tested with particle gun, and defined as:

$$A = \frac{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^* | E_{ZDC} > E_{th})}{N(\theta_X^*, \theta_Y^*)}$$

- Set energy threshold in ZDC  $> 2$  GeV

## Observations

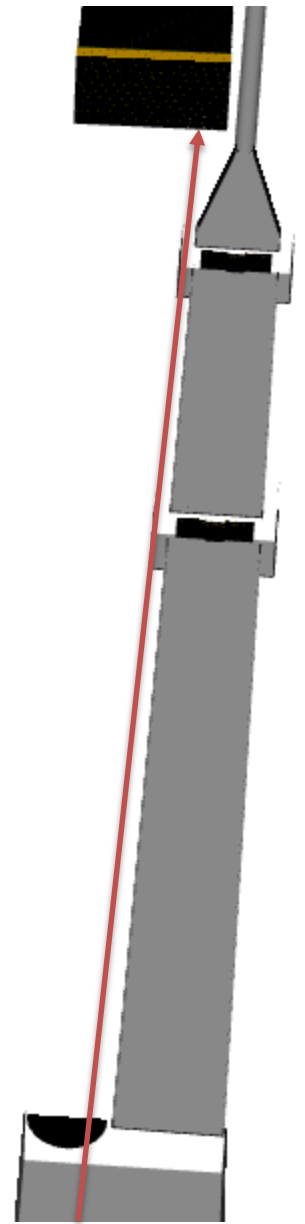
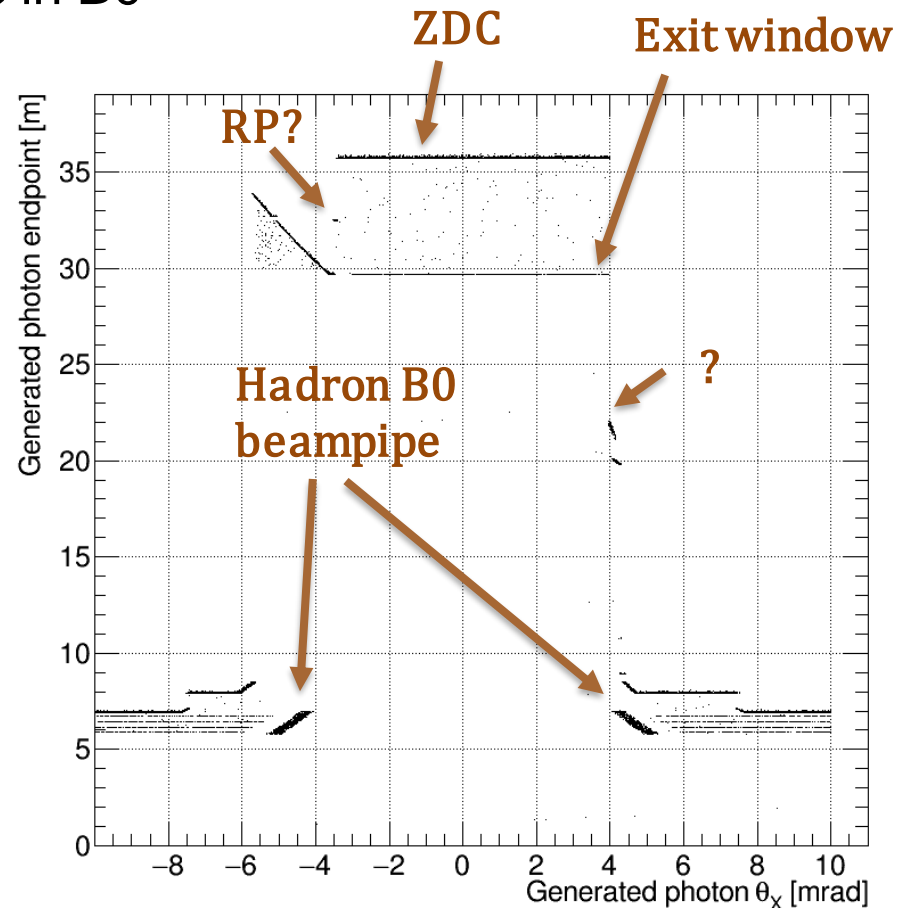
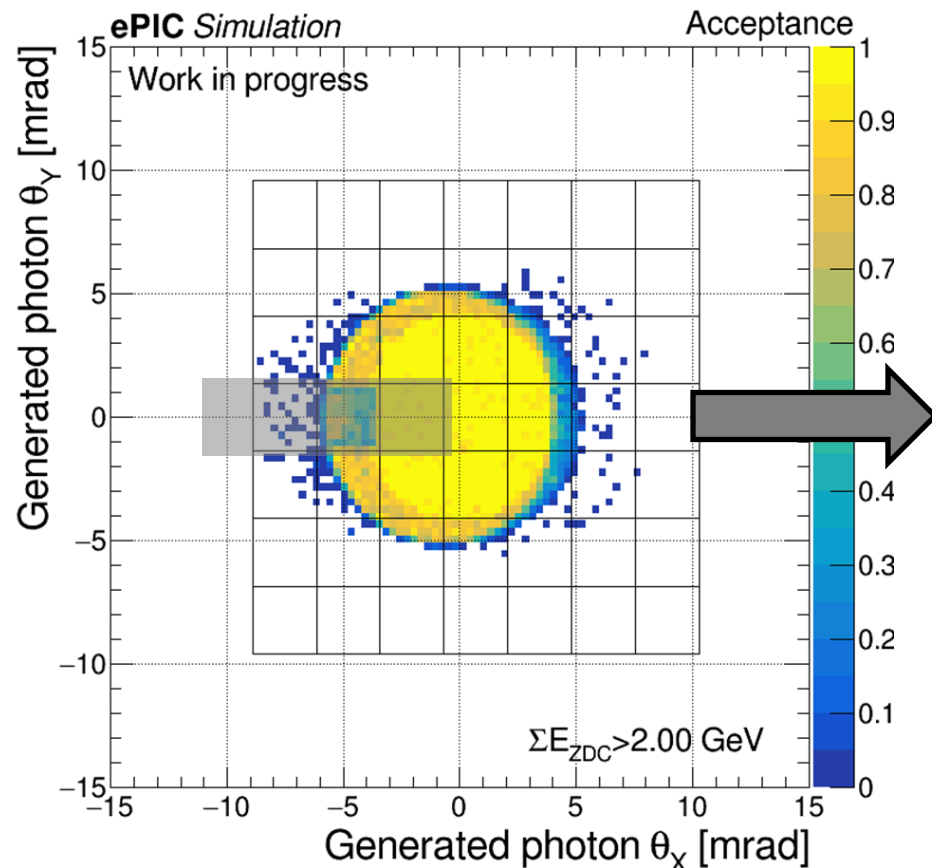
- Photons contained within the hadron beampipe inside the B0 magnet.
- Small overlap with RP boxes?



# Photons in ZDC

## Acceptance in B0 X-Y plane

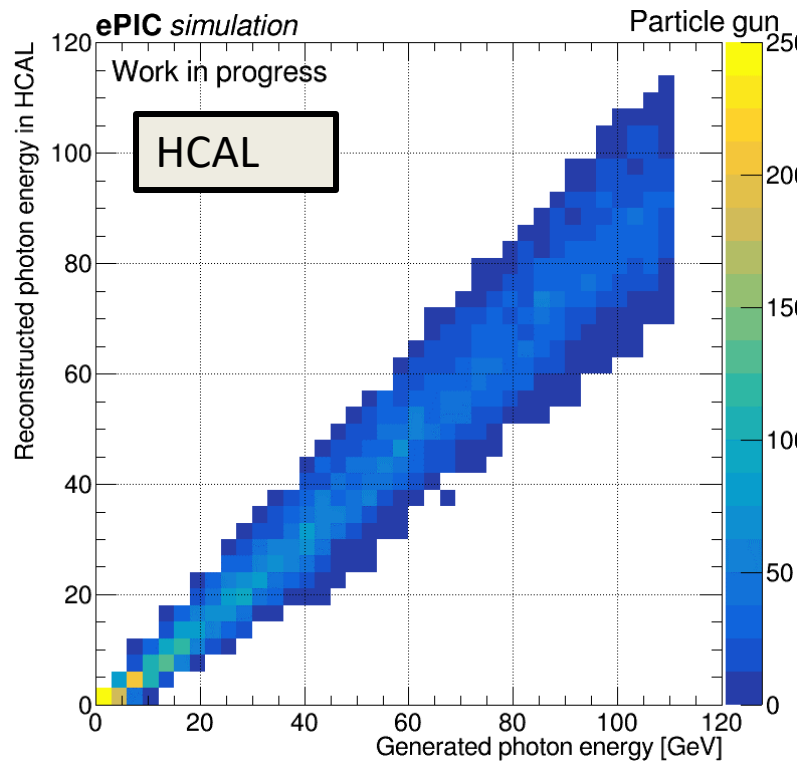
- G4 simulation provides information of the photon endpoint (where  $\gamma \rightarrow ee$  starts)
- Photons blocked by the hadron beampipe in B0



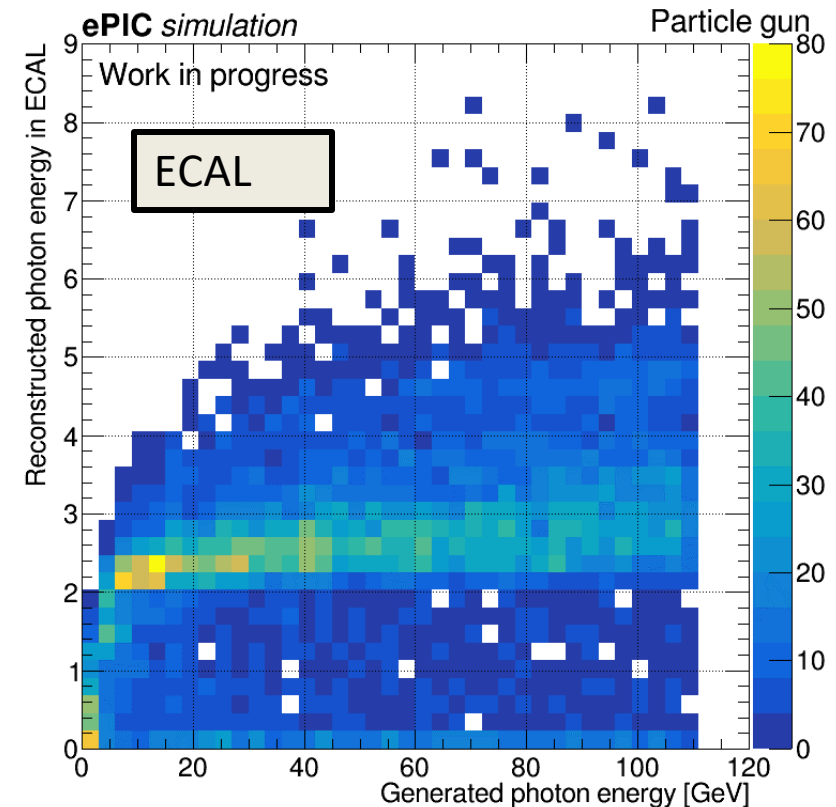
# ZDC detector performance (EICRecon)

## Particle gun with photons

- Photons with  $\theta < 2\text{mrad}$ , endpoint  $> 35\text{m}$ .
- Photon energy response from ECAL + HCAL



Similar saturation in ZDC ECAL for reconstructed clusters

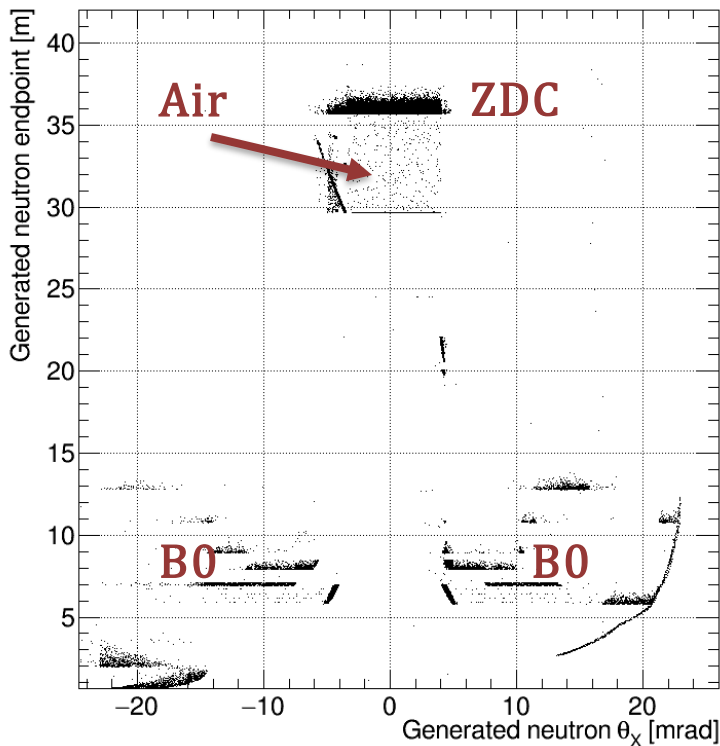


# Forward neutrons

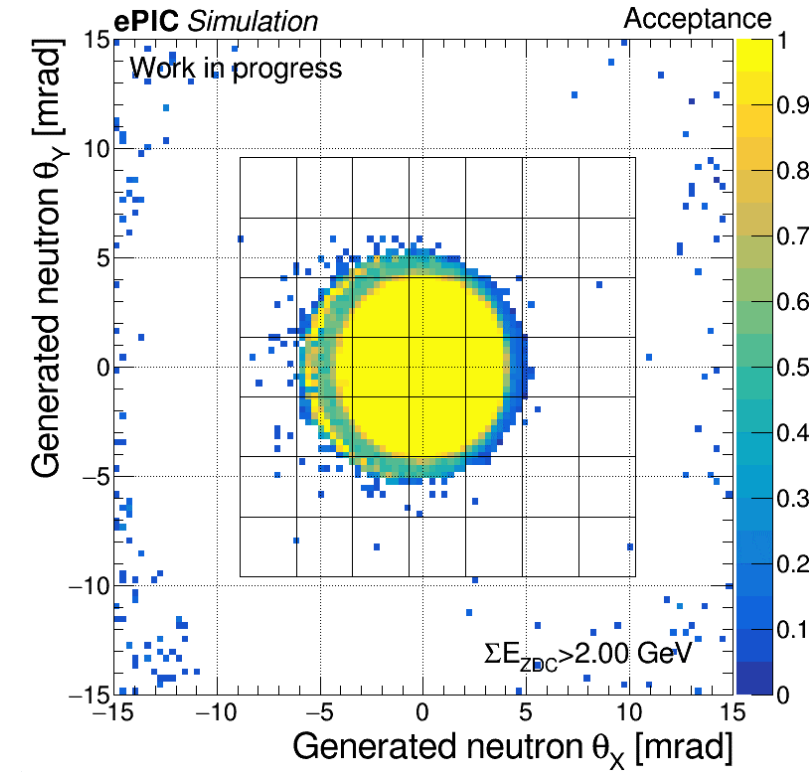
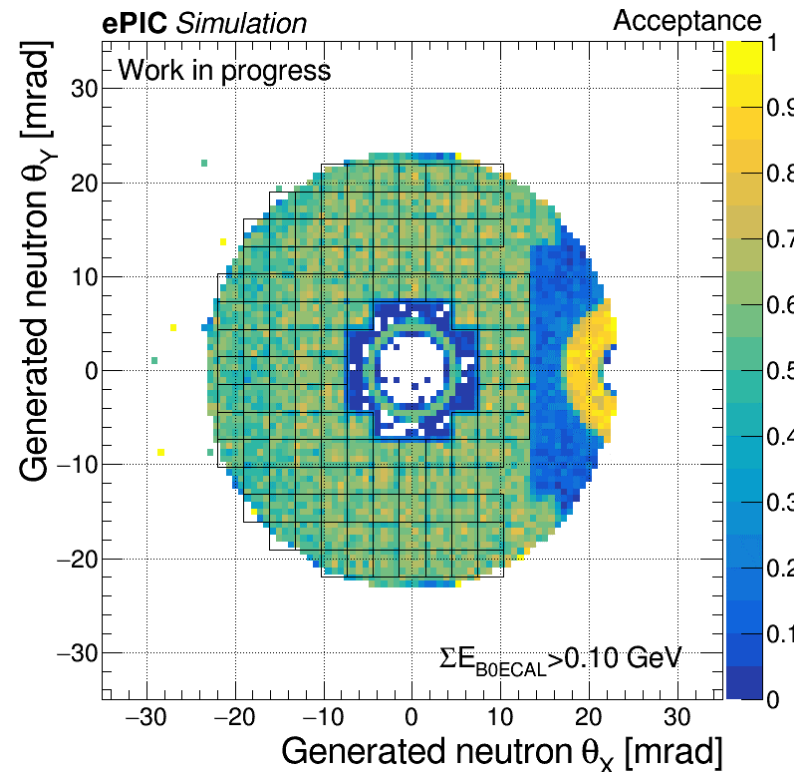
For  $\theta > 5$  mrad: B0 – detection efficiency of 50% (B0 ECAL  $\lambda$  is larger than 1)

For  $\theta < 5$  mrad: all neutrons measured in the ZDC

Neutron with  $\theta \sim 0$



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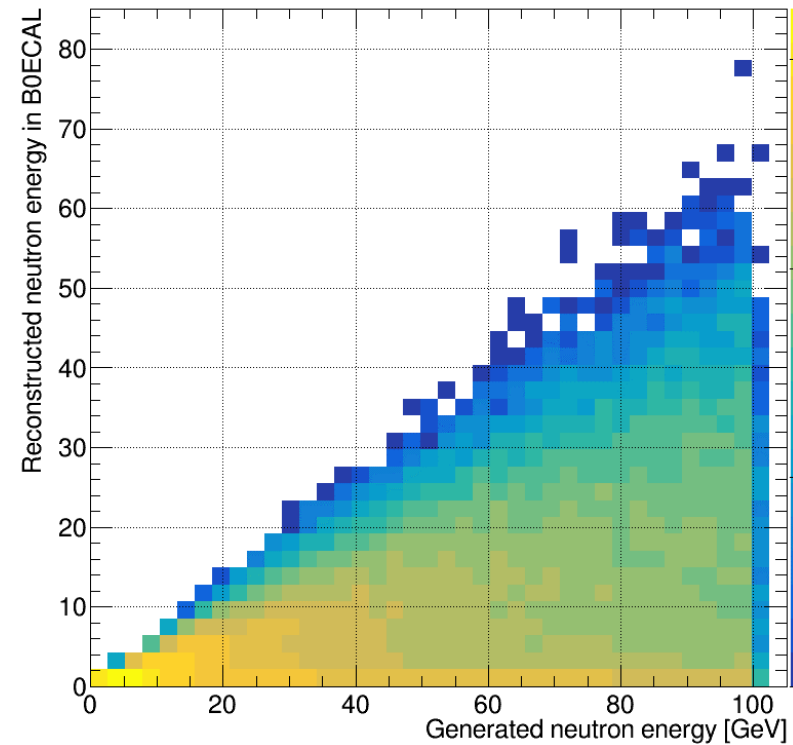
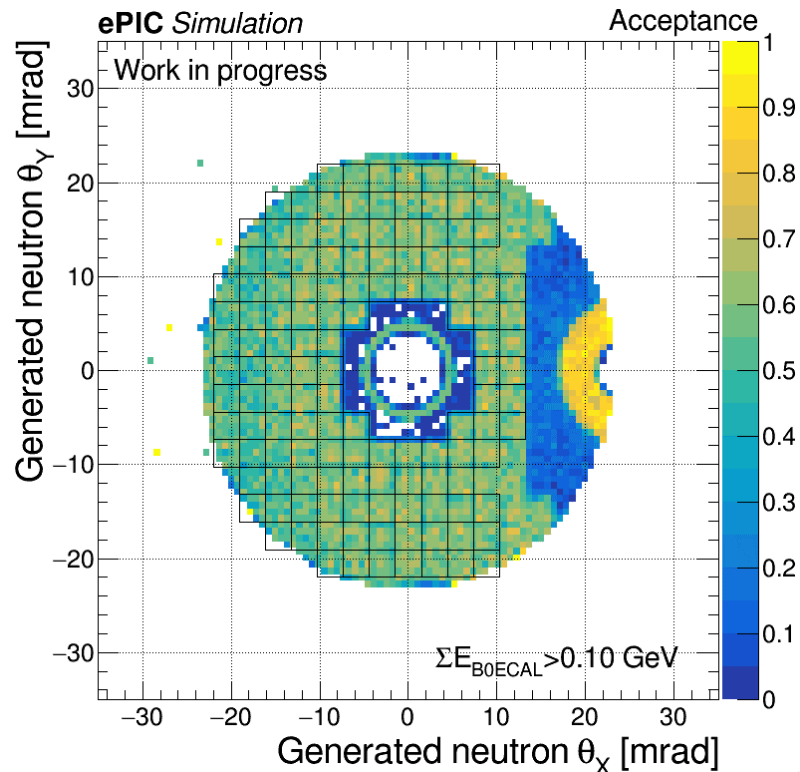
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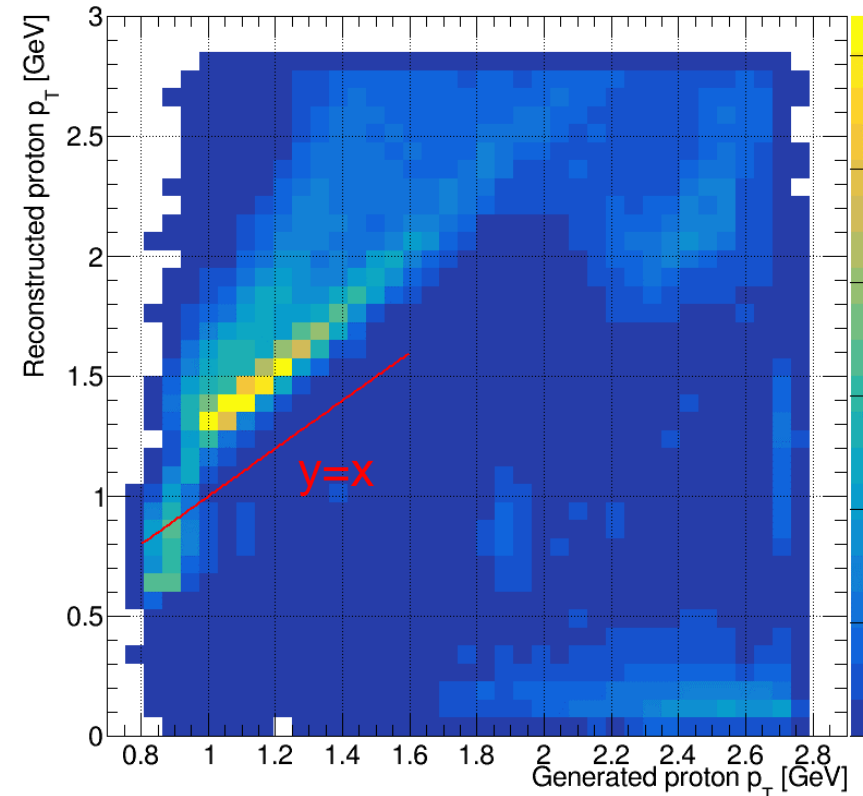
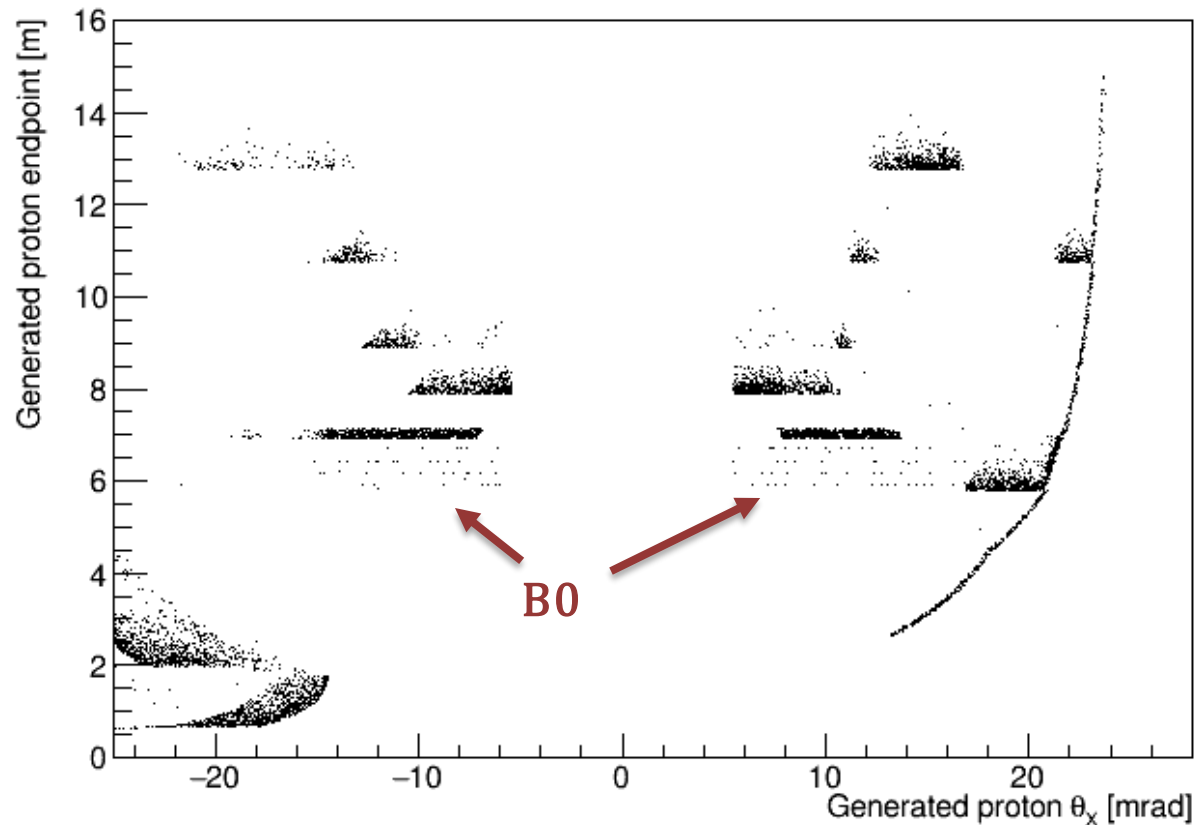
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Energy resolution for neutron in B0 is very poor, not clear at all if we can aim detecting neutrons



# Forward protons

- Protons with  $\theta > 5$  mrad and  $E = 110$  GeV were generated in 18x275 configuration.
- All protons end up  $< 10$  meter, many in the B0 detector
- 110 GeV protons (from Pb) have bias in B0 tracker



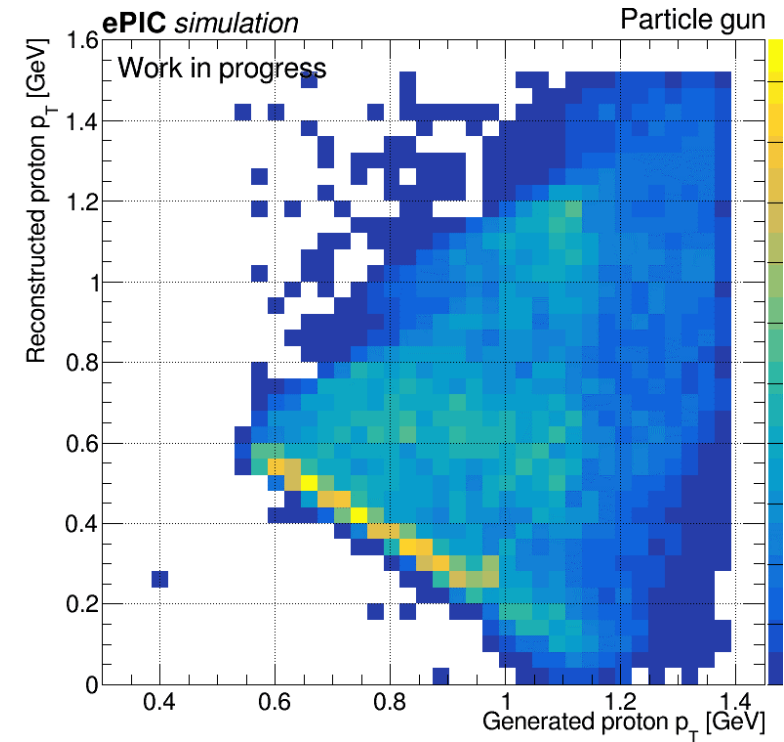
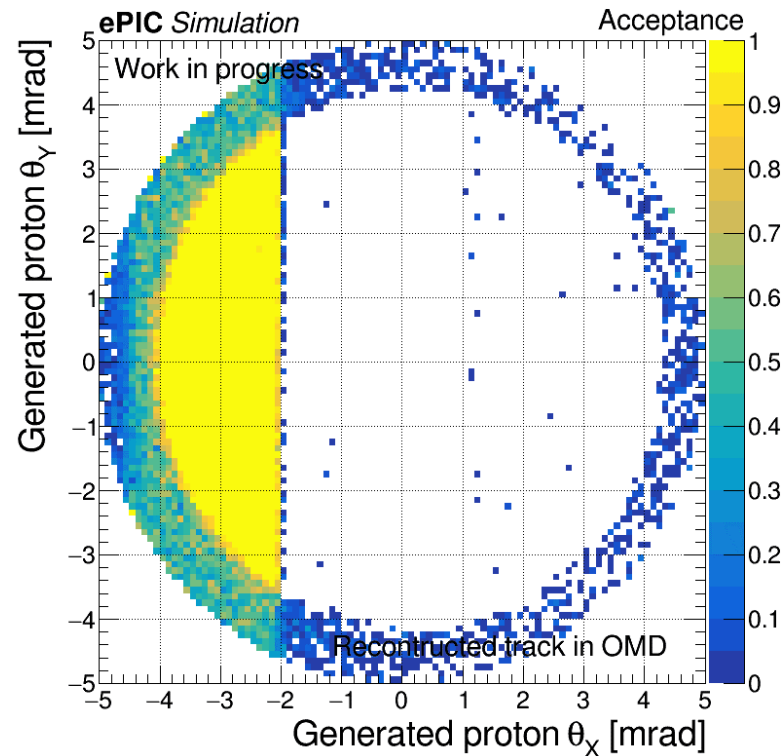
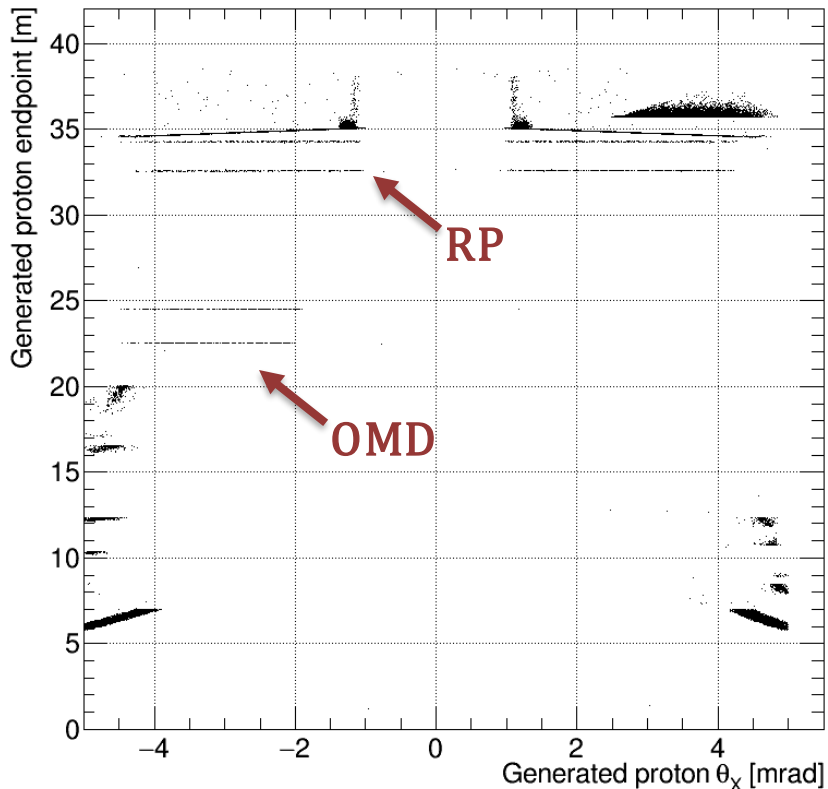


# Forward protons

Protons with  $\theta < 5$  mrad and  $E = 275$  GeV were generated in 18x275 configuration.

Overlap between RP and OMD? No recontacted protons in RP (investigating)

Using momentum of *ForwardOffMRecParticles* and *ForwardRomanPotRecParticles*

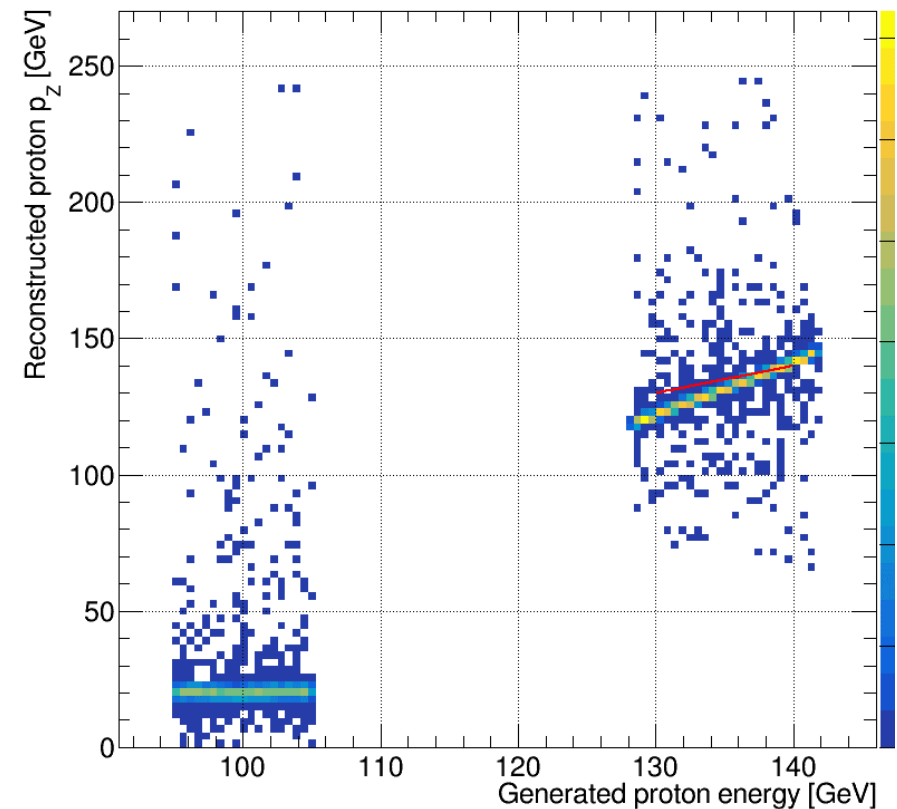
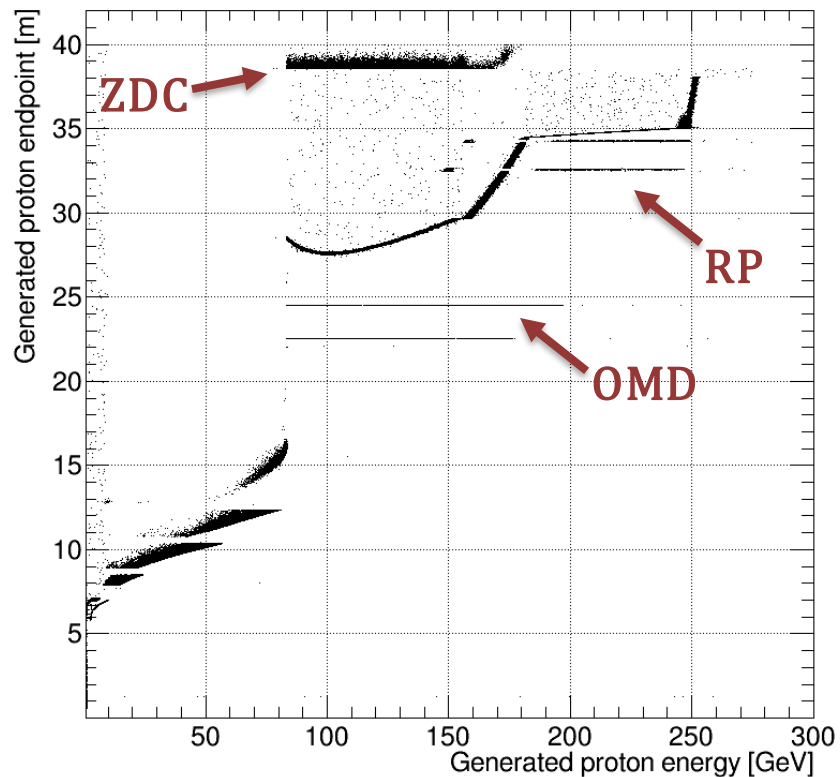


# Forward protons

Protons with  $\theta=0$  mrad and  $E < 275$  GeV were generated in 18x275 configuration.

Protons with energy from 130 to 140 GeV measured with the OMD ( $0.45 < x_L < 0.5$ )

Protons with energy within 90 – 105 GeV get to OMD



# Summary

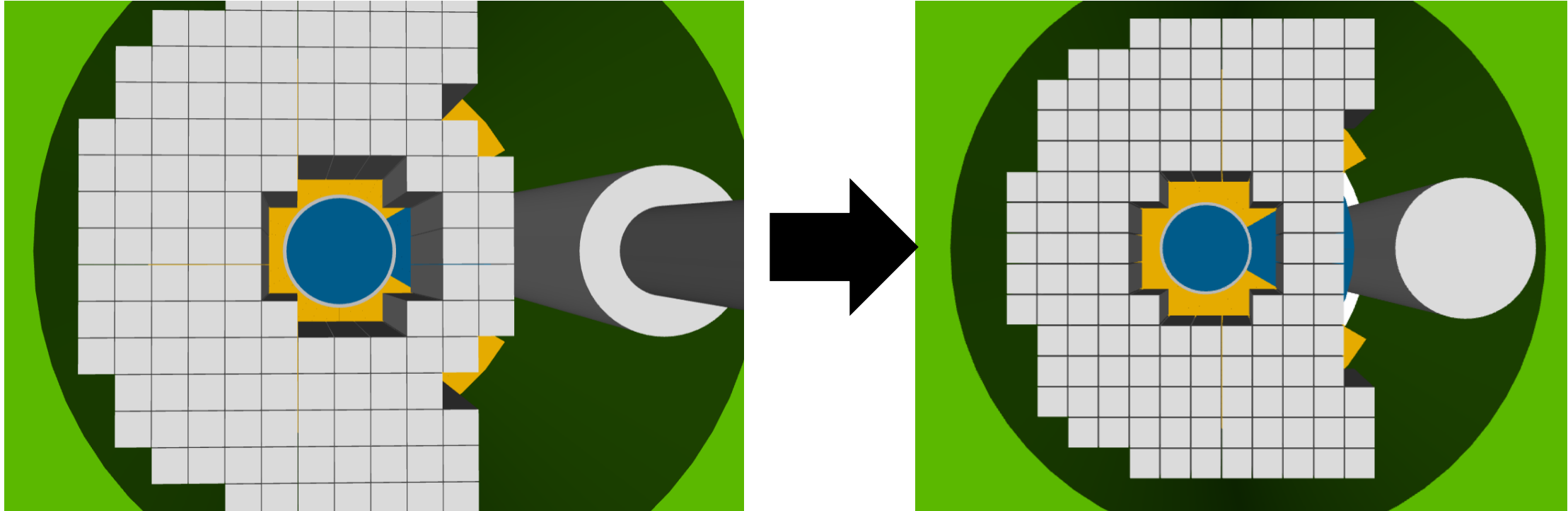
## Summary:

- Vacuum was extended until the end of the physical volume
- B0 geometry harmonization with CAD + optimization is ongoing
  - We need to agree on the geometry
  - The position of the crystals can be further optimized.
- New exit window allow photons to reach the ZDC
- Charged particle propagation looks OK, but we have some issues at the reconstruction (branches, settings...)
- Reconstructed energy in crystals (B0, ZDC) – needs further investigation

# Backup

# BO geometry update

- Harmonization of the simulation geometry with the CAD drawing



# Possible bugs

OD(z=670mm) = 63.5mm ( $\theta=25\text{mrad}/2=35\text{mrad}$ )

OD(z=1750mm) = 92.06mm ( $\theta=25\text{mrad}/2=13.7\text{mrad}$ )

OD(z=4455) = 258mm ( $\theta=25\text{mrad}/2=16.5\text{mrad}$ )

[https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/New\\_B0ECAL\\_geo/compact/central\\_beampipe.xml](https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/New_B0ECAL_geo/compact/central_beampipe.xml)

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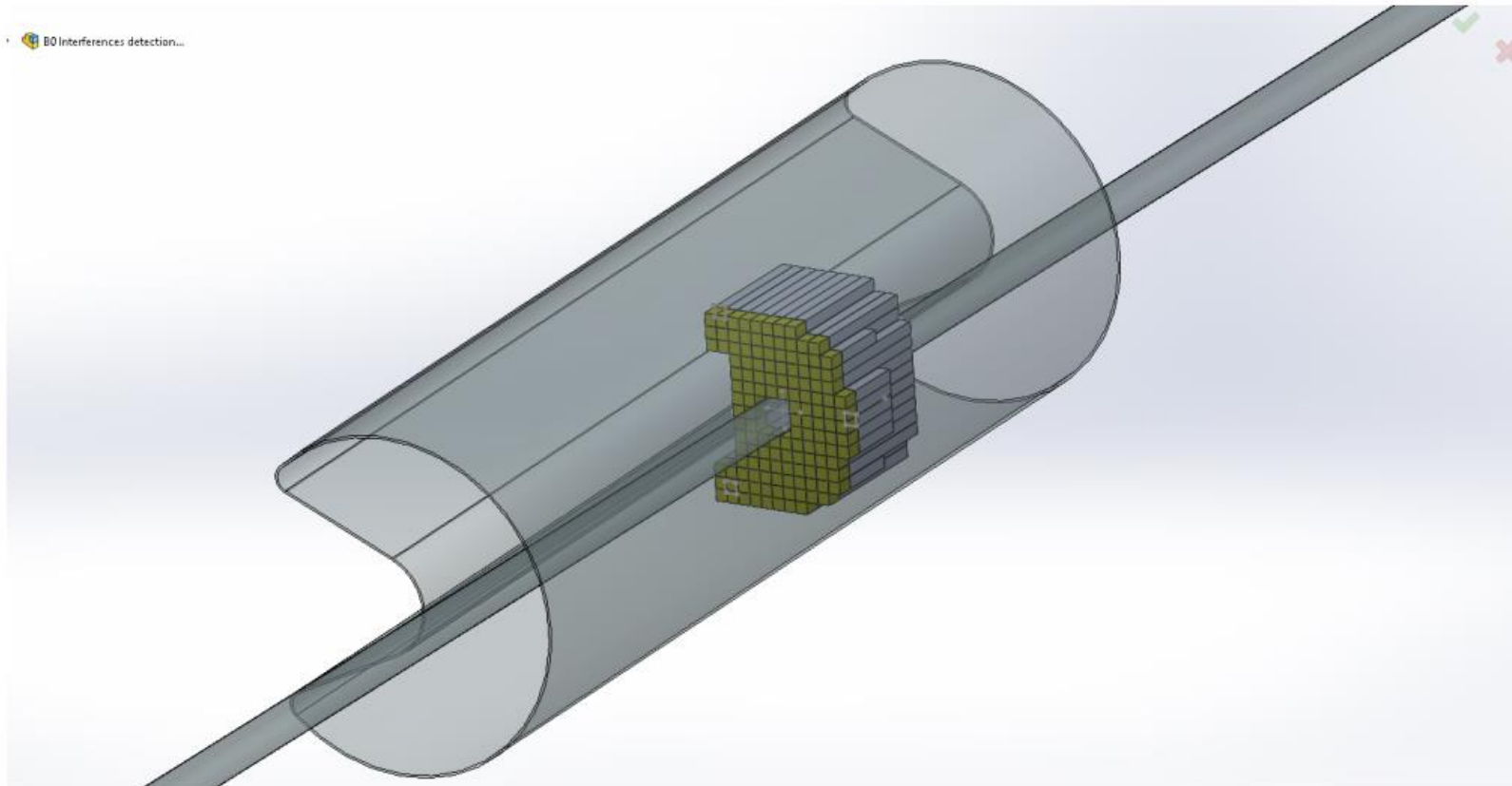
Inflating these numbers allow photons with  $15\text{mrad} < \theta < 23$  reach the B0ECAL



# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 0\text{cm}$

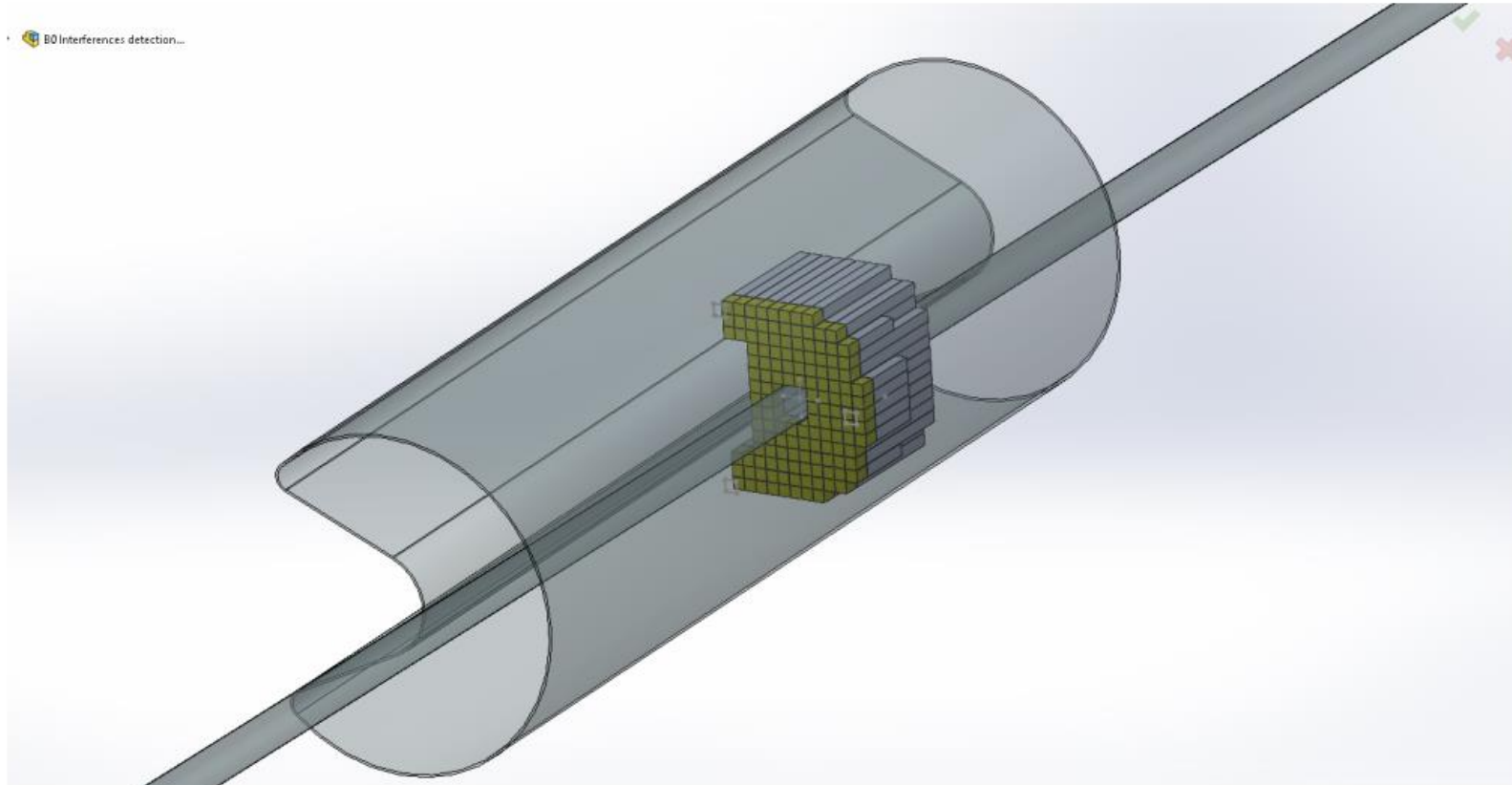
At the current position of the calorimeter there is no collision with the magnet



# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 5\text{cm}$

No collision with the magnet

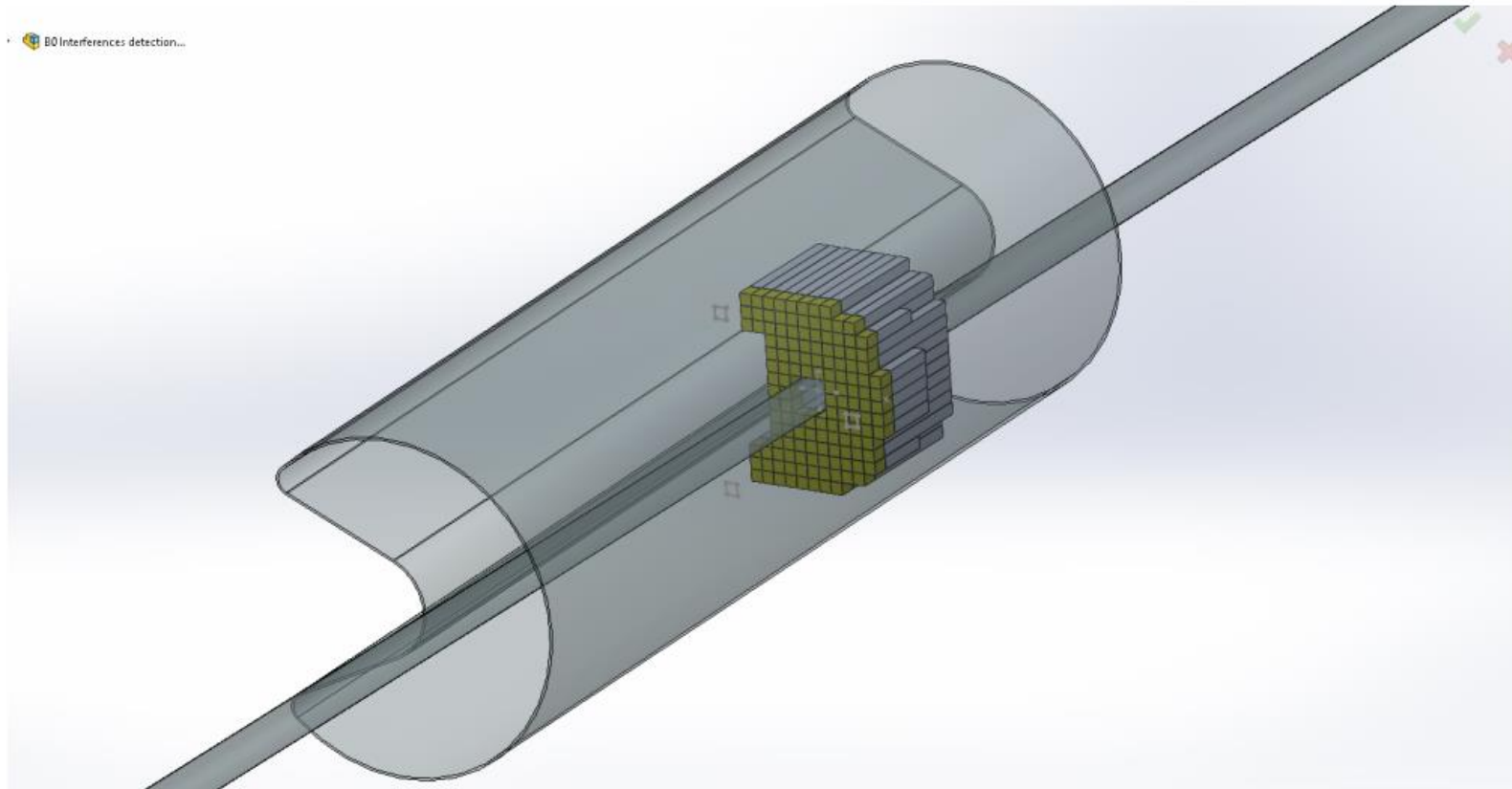




# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 10\text{cm}$

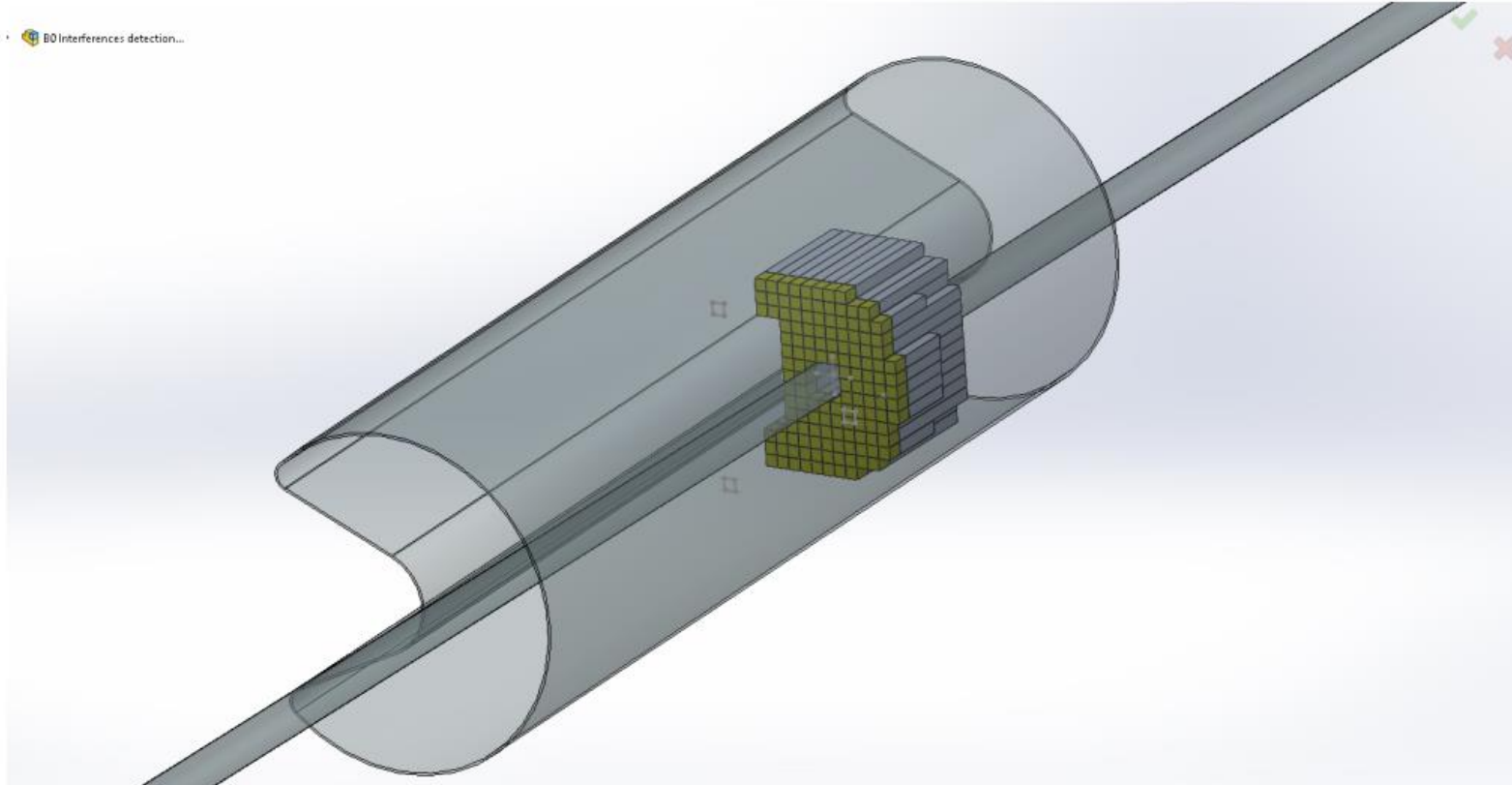
No collision with the magnet



# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 15\text{cm}$

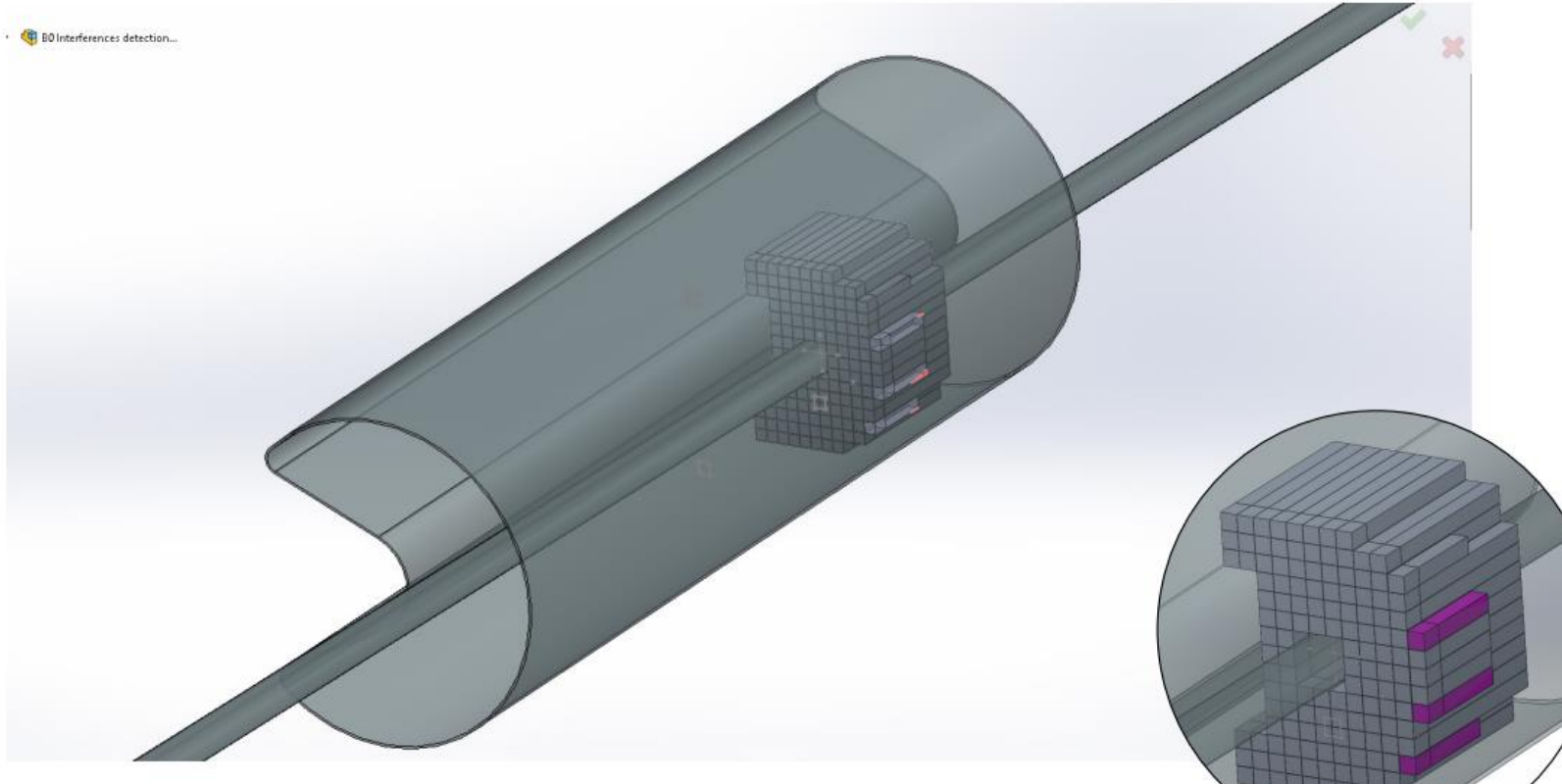
No collision with the magnet



# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 20\text{cm}$

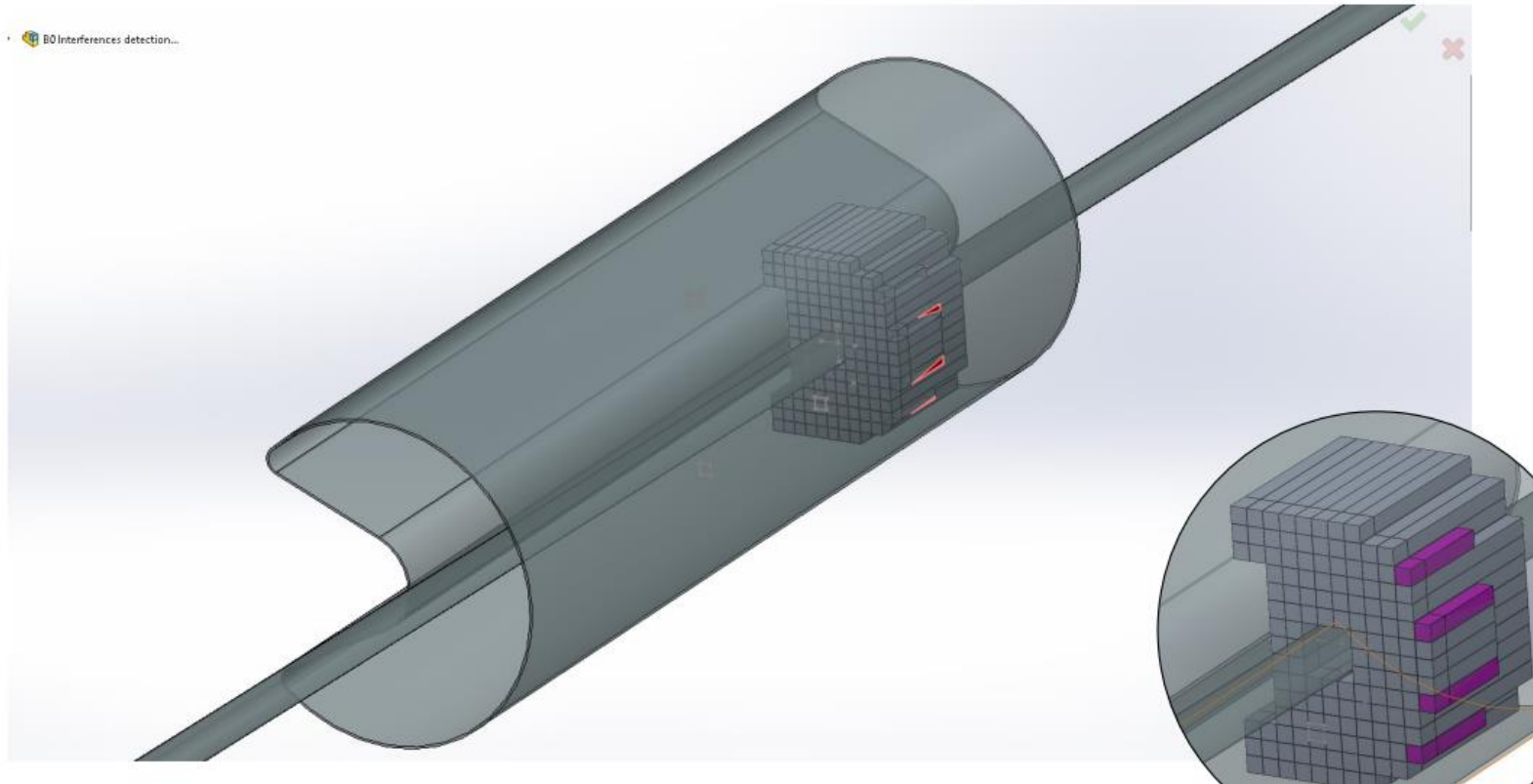
In the P5 state there are 3 collisions with the magnet located in the shortened crystals.



# B0 geometry update

- Moving the B0ECAL 5cm forward,  $Z = 25\text{cm}$

In the P6 state there are 4 collisions with the magnet located in the shortened crystals.



# Technical details

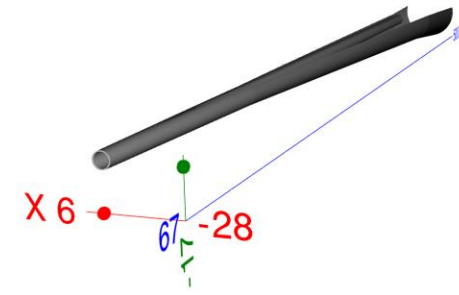
## ddsim setup:

```
ddsim --steeringFile job.py -G -N 100 \  
--compactFile $DETECTOR_PATH/epic_craterlake_18x275.xml \  
--outputFile edm4hep.root --random.seed 624
```

## EICRecon setup:

```
source /opt/detector/setup.sh  
export DETECTOR_CONFIG=epic_craterlake_18x275  
eicrecon -Pjana:nevents=-1  
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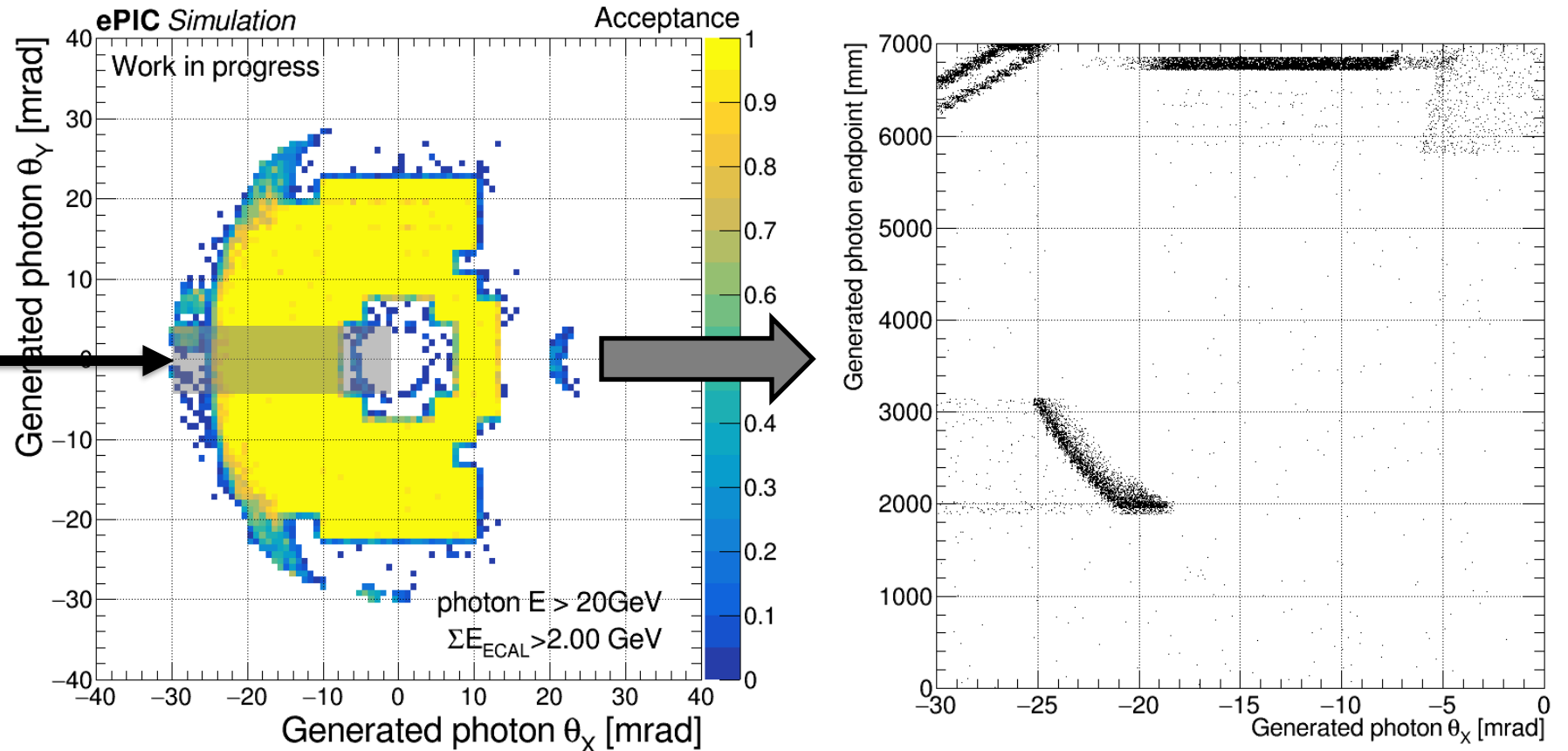
# Forward photons



## Acceptance in B0 X-Y plane

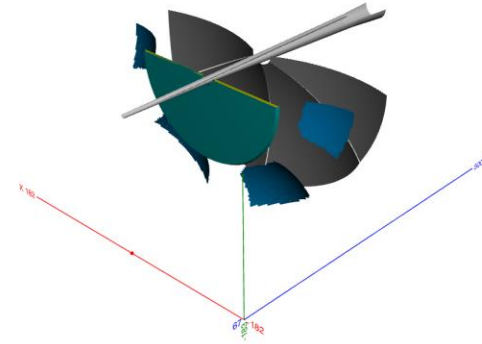
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Plot photon endpoint  
along the X axis ( $\theta_Y \sim 0$ )





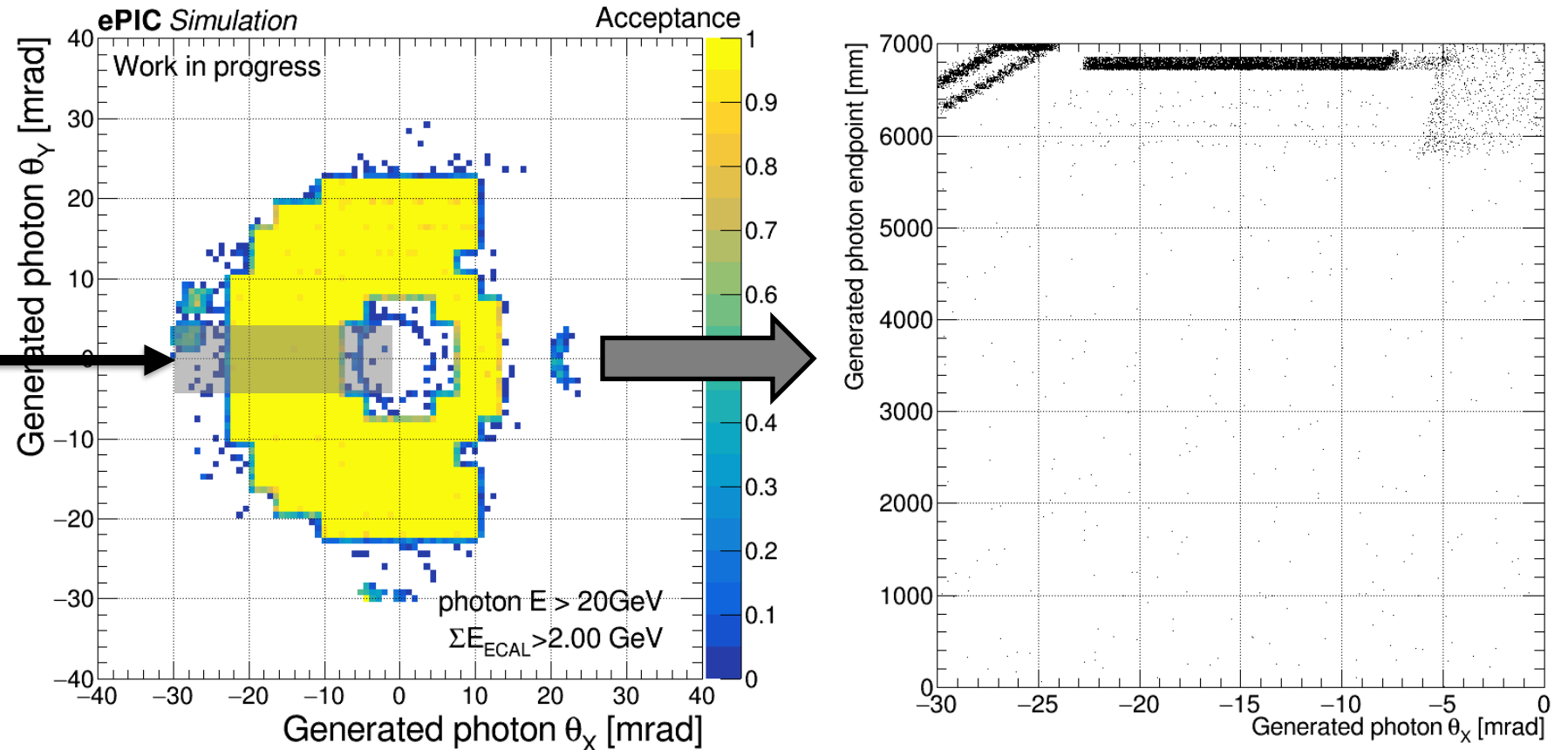
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# Steering file

```
from DDSim.DD4hepSimulation import DD4hepSimulation
from g4units import mm, GeV, MeV, mrad
SIM = DD4hepSimulation()
```

```
#####
## Configuration for the DDG4 ParticleGun
#####
SIM.enableGun = True
```

```
## Lorentz boost for the crossing angle (a boost along the X coordinate)
SIM.crossingAngleBoost = -25.0*mrad
```

```
SIM.gun.momentumMin = 41*GeV
SIM.gun.momentumMax = 41*GeV
SIM.gun.particle = 'proton'
```

```
## MinimalKineticEnergy to store particles created in the tracking region
SIM.part.minimalKineticEnergy = 1.0*GeV
```