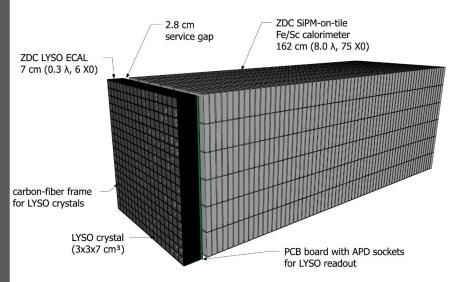
#### Slide presented in TIC ZDC mtg, December 2023

# Reminder: Combined system could be LYSO crystal ECAL (Oct 9th design) and SiPM-on-tile Fe/Sc

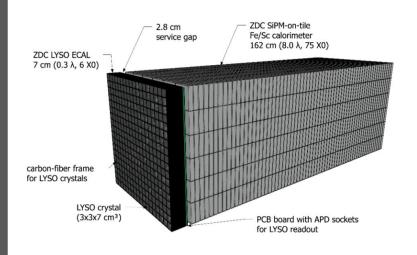


Meets all physics requirements while maximizing synergies with other ePIC subsystems, reducing cost and risks.

Low-energy  $\gamma \rightarrow LYSO$ High-energy  $\gamma$  and  $\pi 0 \rightarrow Fe/Sc$ High-energy neutrons  $\rightarrow Fe/Sc$  Slide presented in ePIC collaboration meeting @ Lehigh U.

#### **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.



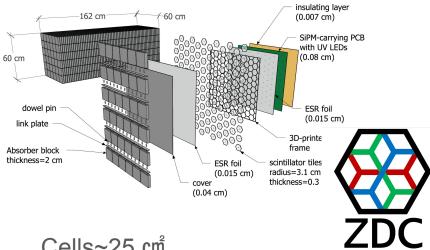
Low-energy [1 MeV-O(1) GeV]  $\gamma \rightarrow$  LYSO High-energy  $\gamma$  and  $\tau \rightarrow$  Fe/Sc High-energy neutrons, Lambda  $\rightarrow$  Fe/Sc

#### SiPM-on-tile Fe/Sc ZDC

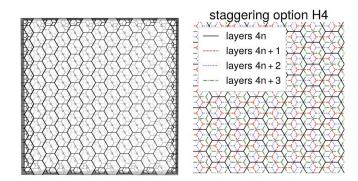




High-granularity from CALICE-style tech Staggered design as in *NIMA 1060 (2024) 169044* Design and performance in arXiv:2406.12877



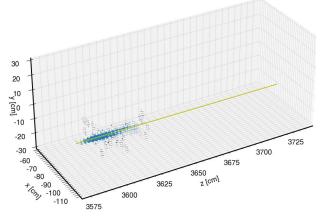
#### Cells~25 cm



# Benchmarks for the SiPM-on-tile ZDC

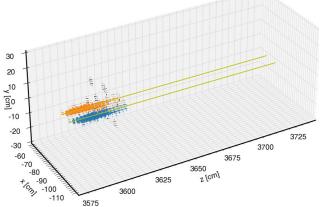
- Single photon
- $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$
- $\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0 \rightarrow n\gamma\gamma$
- $\Sigma \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma \rightarrow n\pi^0 \gamma \rightarrow n\gamma\gamma\gamma$

https://github.com/eic/detector\_b enchmarks/pull/63



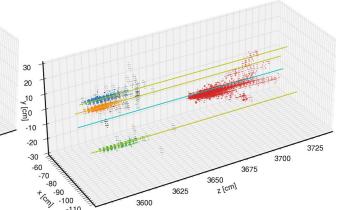
 $E_v = 100 \text{ GeV}, \theta_v = 3.5 \text{ mrad}, z_{vtx} = 0.0 \text{ m}$ 

$$E_{\pi^0} = 100 \text{ GeV}, \ \theta_{\pi^0} = 1.3 \text{ mrad}, \ z_{vtx} = 0.0 \text{ m}$$



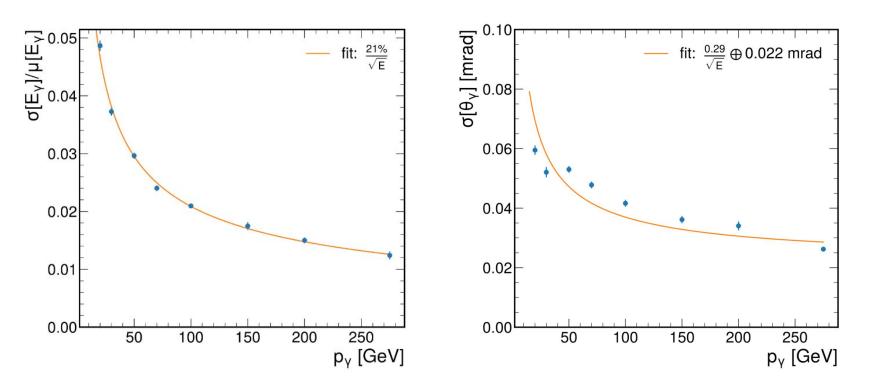
 $E_{\Lambda}$  = 100 GeV,  $\theta_{\Lambda}$ =0.3 mrad,  $z_{vtx}$ =16.6 m

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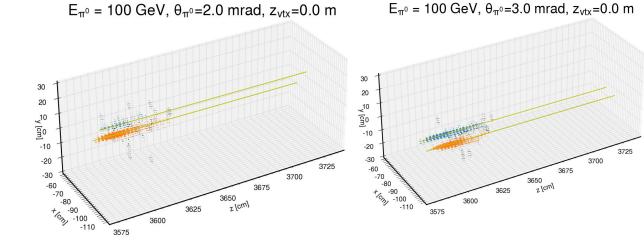
 $E_{\Sigma}$  = 200 GeV,  $\theta_{\Sigma}$ =2.5 mrad,  $z_{vtx}$ =3.8 m

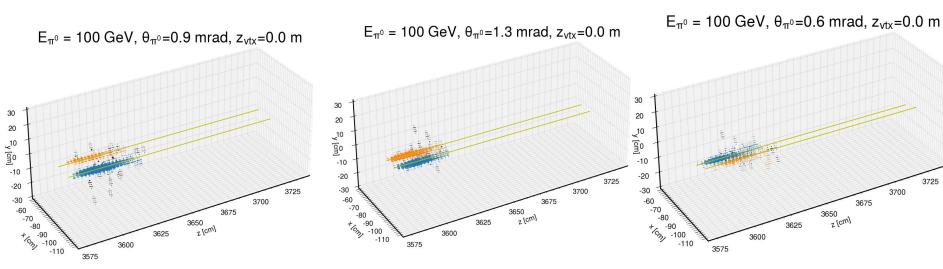
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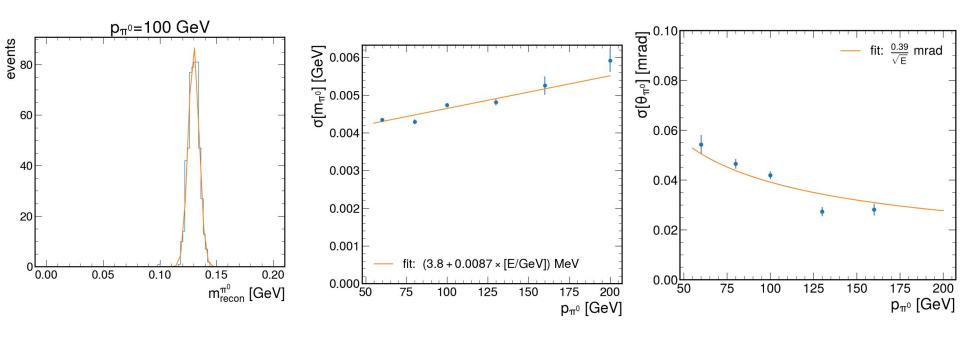
This performance meets all physics requirements

#### Some $\pi 0$ events



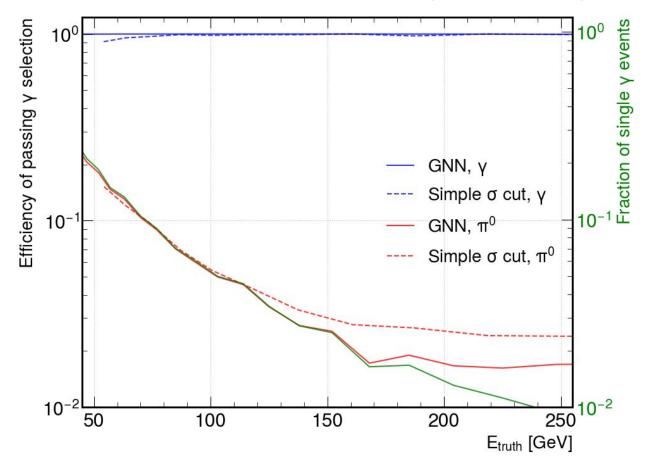


## Pi0 performance (SiPM-on-tile only)



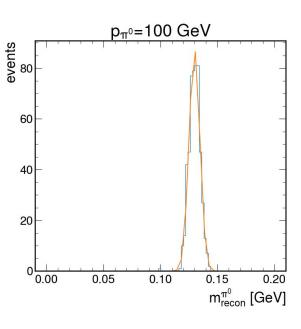
This performance meets all requirements. See Zach's comprehensive study: <a href="https://indico.bnl.gov/event/20935/#9-zdc-studies-for-u-channel-ph">https://indico.bnl.gov/event/20935/#9-zdc-studies-for-u-channel-ph</a>

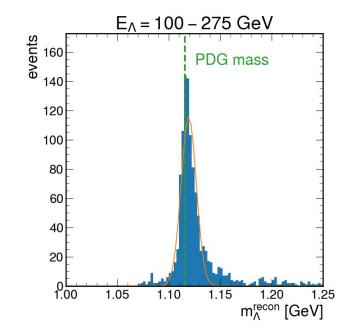
## Pi0 / photon separation (with GNN)

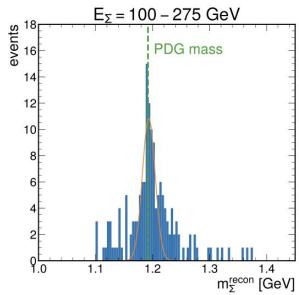


SiPM-on-tile is enough for near optimal performance (which is limited by geometrical acceptance)

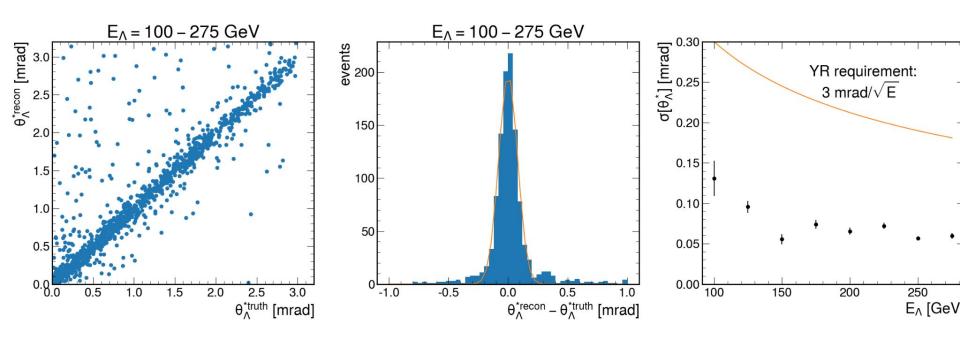
# Pi0, Lambda, Sigma\_0





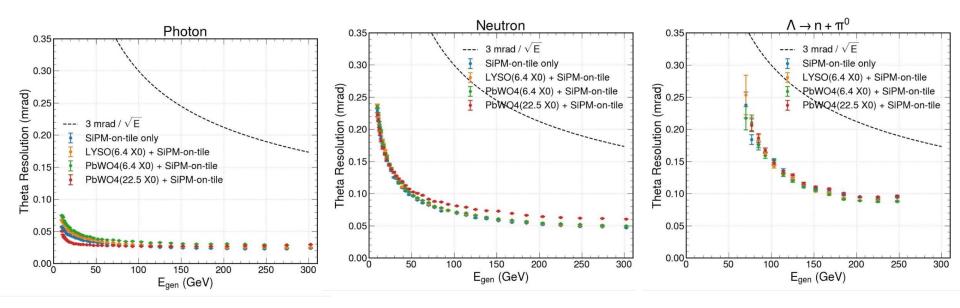


#### Position Resolution for Lambda



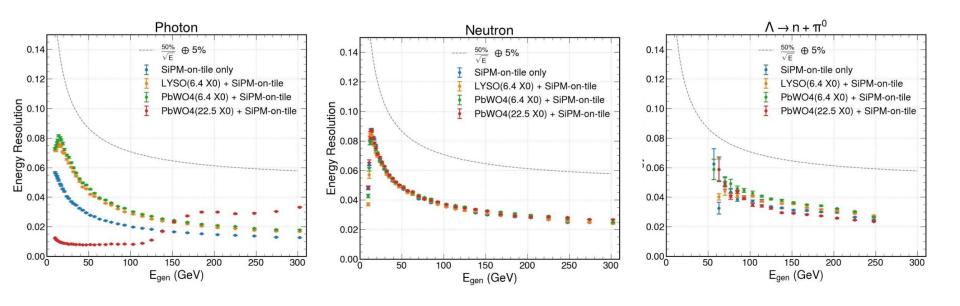
This performance meets all requirements

#### Summary position resolution, all options (GNN)



Bottom line: SiPM-on-tile alone is enough, no need for anything else

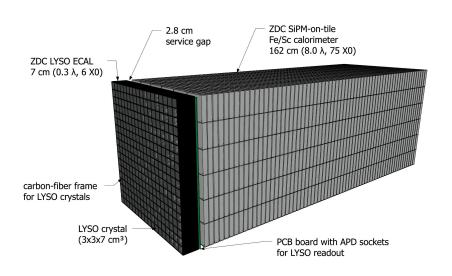
## Summary energy resolution, all options (GNN)



Bottom line: SiPM-on-tile alone is enough, no need for anything else

#### Take-Home Message

SiPM-on-tile Fe/Sc standalone meets all requirements, no separate ECAL needed. (except for low energy photons for eA, for which short LYSO preferred)



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