

## **TOF** simulation summary

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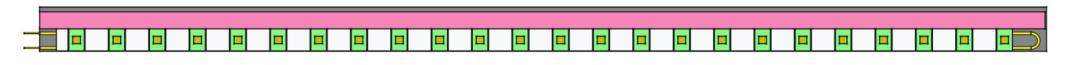
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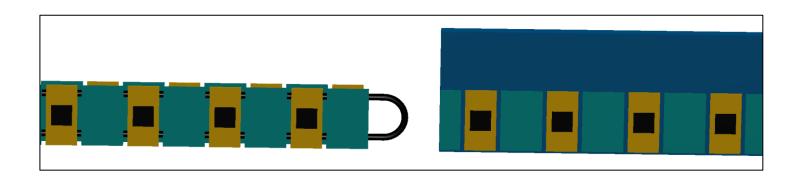


# TOF geometry update

## BTOF geometry (update May 17 2025)

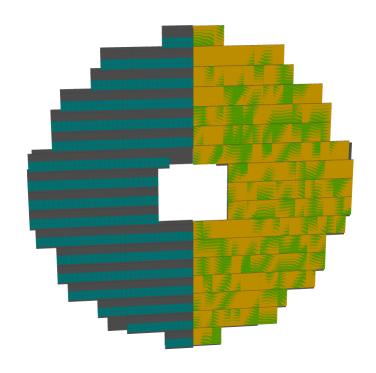
- Before: Sensor on one side:
- Updated to match proposed drawing from <a href="https://indico.bnl.gov/event/27154/contributions/104363/attachments/60759/104362/2025%2003%2024%20Mechanics%20">https://indico.bnl.gov/event/27154/contributions/104363/attachments/60759/104362/2025%2003%2024%20Mechanics%20</a> Workshop%20TOF%20Presentation.pdf
- Design: (Sensors on both sides)





## FTOF geometry (July 9, 2025)

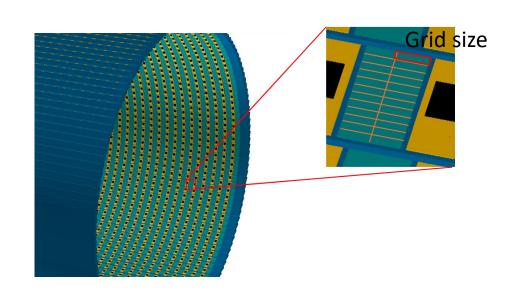
- ACTS is unable to use tracking information on the back side of FTOF.
  - https://indico.bnl.gov/event/27986/contributions/106 788/attachments/61537/105677/tracking\_050125.p df
- Error with FTOF geometry implementation.
- Fixed in https://github.com/eic/epic/pull/887



Cover on the left removed to show sensors.

## FTOF and BTOF strip size update (June 30, 2025)

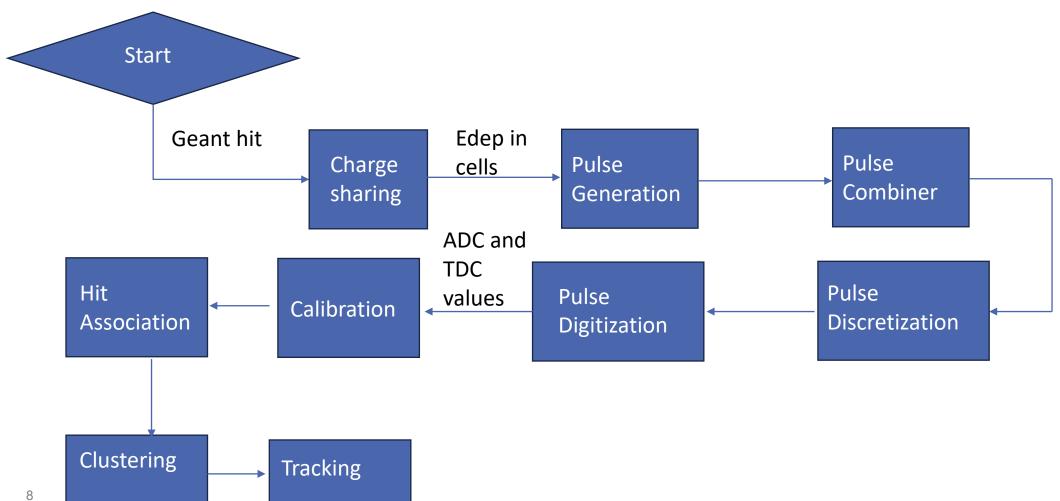
- Realistic BTOF grid size: 0.5 cm \* 0.5 mm
- Realistic FTOF grid size: 0.5 mm \* 0.5 mm
- However, position better than 0.5 mm because of charge sharing (not yet implemented).
- Reduced BTOF grid size to 0.5 cm \* 0.1 mm
- Reduced FTOF grid size to 0.1 mm \* 0.1 mm



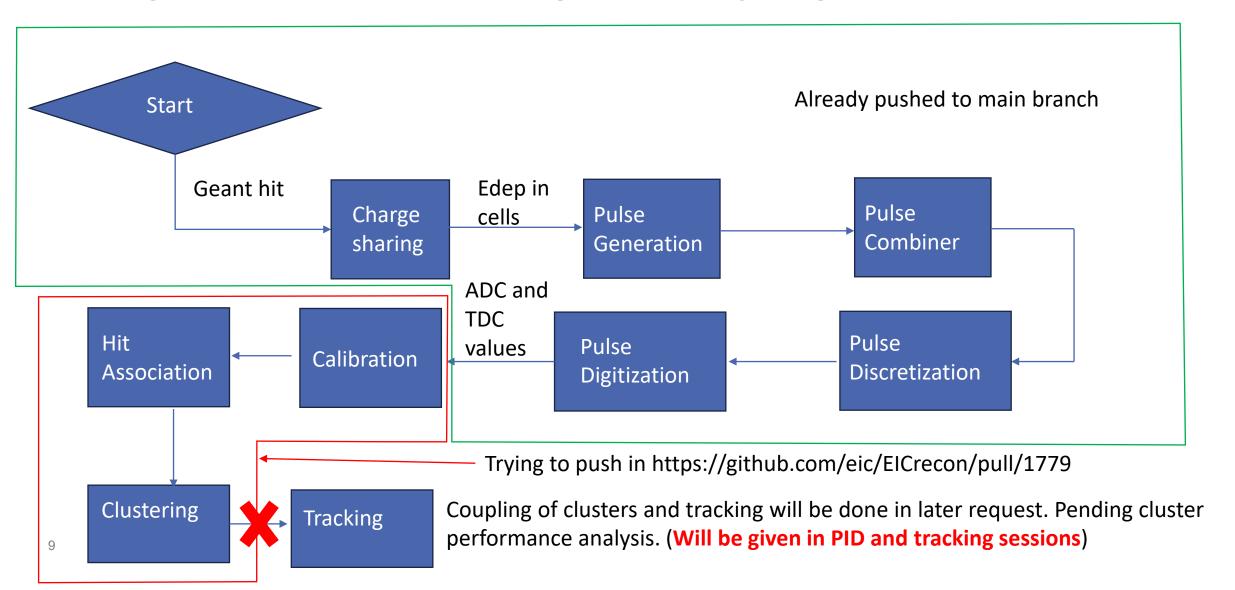


# TOF digitization update

## **Digitization work-flow**



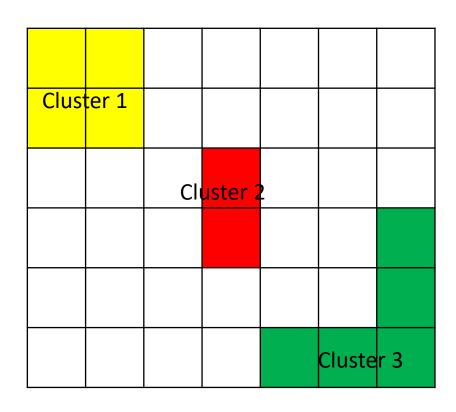
## Digitization work-flow (as of July 11)



## Calibration and clustering

- Calibration of TDC to time is just a linear transformation.
  - Same for ADC.
  - No time walk (slewing) correction.
- Clustering is just weighted average of neighbors.
  - Group connected neighbors together.
    - Hits are neighbors if  $\Delta t < 1$ ns.
  - Weighted by Edep.
  - Time of a cluster = time of the earliest hit.
  - No Edge correction.

#### Time axis not shown



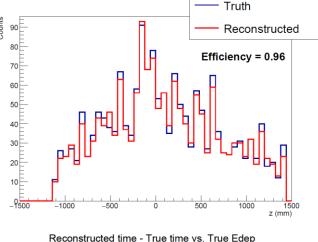
### Hit association

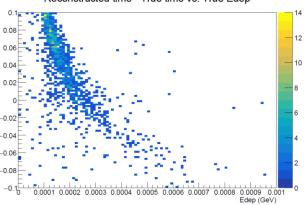
#### Associate reconstructed hit with true hits if:

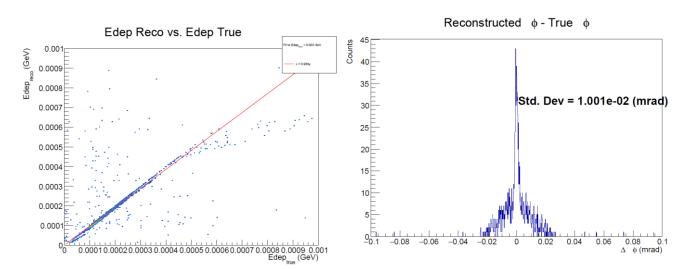
- 1. They come from the same sensor.
- 2. Time difference between the two hits < 1 ns.
- 3. If there are multiple hits within 1 ns, choose the one with the smallest Delta t.

## Clustering performance Charge sharing sigma\_x = 0.01 cm Gain/threshold settings from #1779

- 96% Efficiency for Edep > 5e-5 GeV (After #1945).
- Time slewing (as expected).
- Phi resolution = 0.01 mrad.
  - Expected resolution = 0.045 mrad with no charge sharing
- Edep reconstructed correctly.

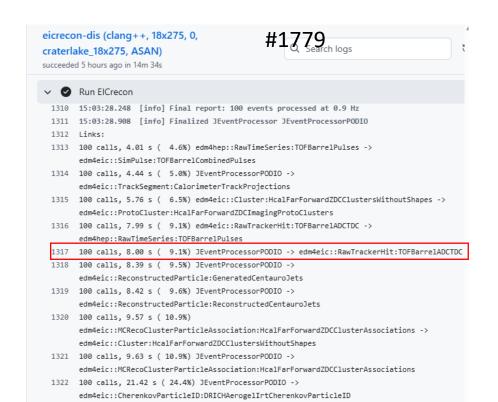


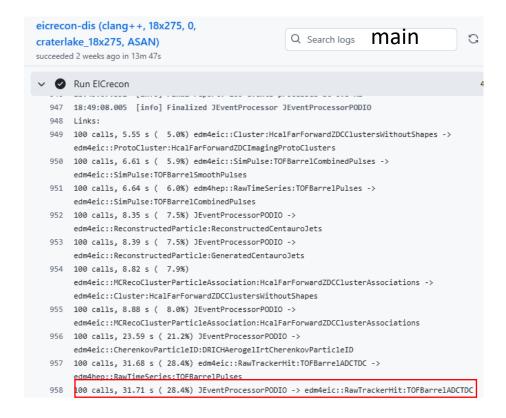




## Reduce charge sharing spread

- https://github.com/eic/EICrecon/pull/1779 also reduces charge sharing sigma 0.1 cm -> 0.01 cm
- Speed improvement:



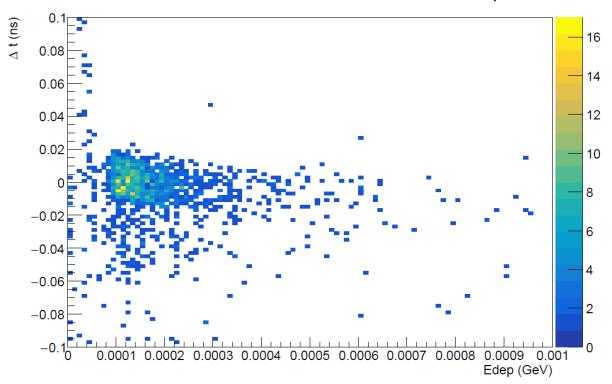


### **Future**

- Time walk/edge correction.
- Use CFD instead of EICROC for BTOF (Pull request #1974).
  - EICROC uses constant threshold, not fraction.
  - BTOF uses CFD, FTOF uses EICROC.
- Add noise to pulses.
- Add cooling tubes to FTOF.

## **Backup: CFD implementation**

#### Reconstructed time - True time vs. True Edep



#### Reconstructed time - True time

