

pfRICH GPU simulation with ELC-Opticks, and surrogate model for pfRICH event generation

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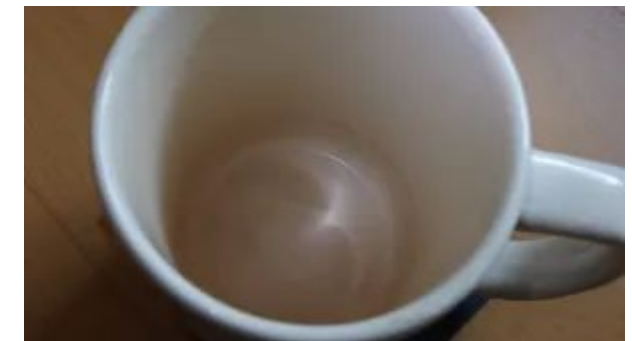
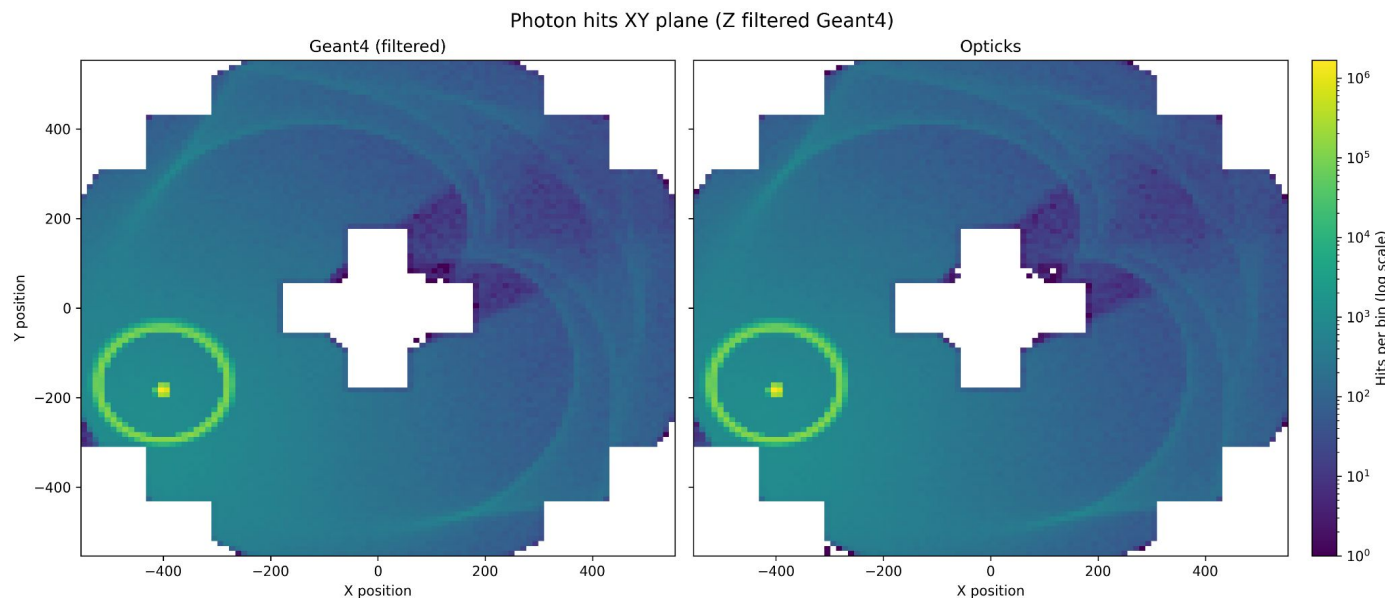
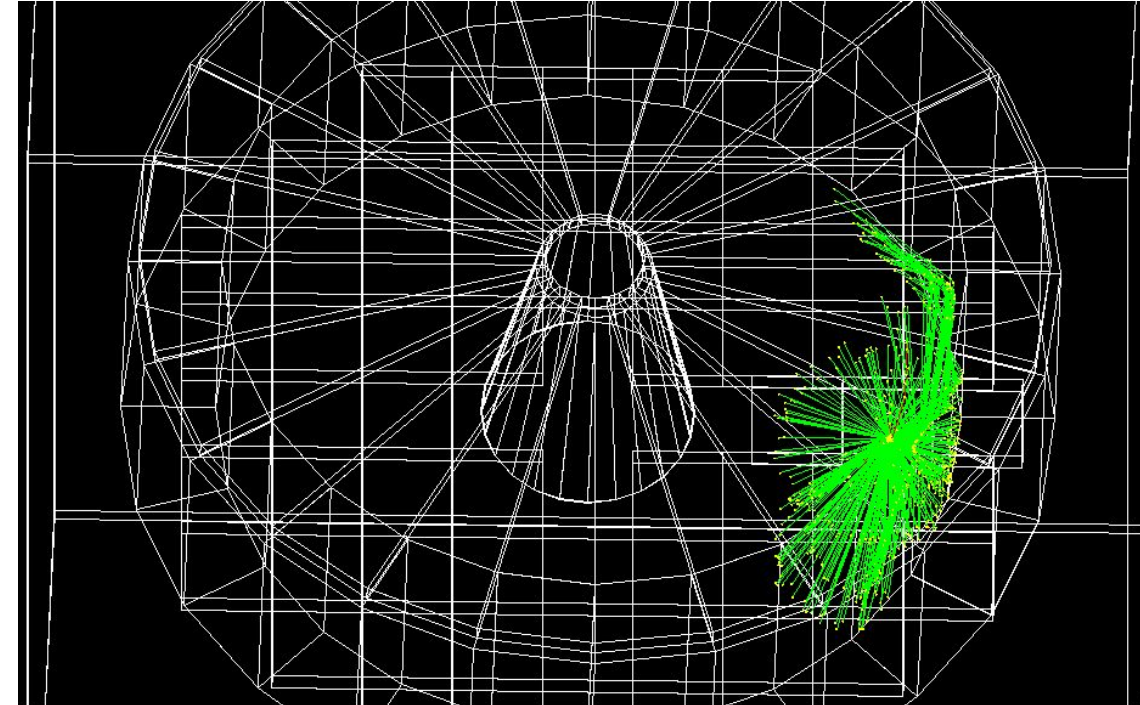
EIC-Opticks

- EIC-Opticks¹: fork of Opticks, uses NVIDIA OptiX framework to simulate photons on GPU
- Works together with Geant4:
 - Hadronic, EM etc are done on CPU, only photons are offloaded to GPU
- Modifications:
 - Opticks can only simulate one G4Event in a GPU simulation
 - Very large overhead when simulating less than 1M photons in a GPU call
 - EIC-Opticks extended usability to cases with much fewer photons (as in most EIC applications)
 - Added G4Event ID to GPU simulated photons
 - Allows to aggregate photons across events and process on the GPU in bulk
 - Created a spack package
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 - `spack install eic-opticks ^optix-dev@7.9.0`
 - EIC-Opticks is containerized, enabling seamless execution on any host with a modern GPU, without installation overhead
 - Testing is currently underway on NERSC Perlmutter
- Fixed some bugs, eg. rays were incorrectly blocked by transparent surfaces in certain volumes

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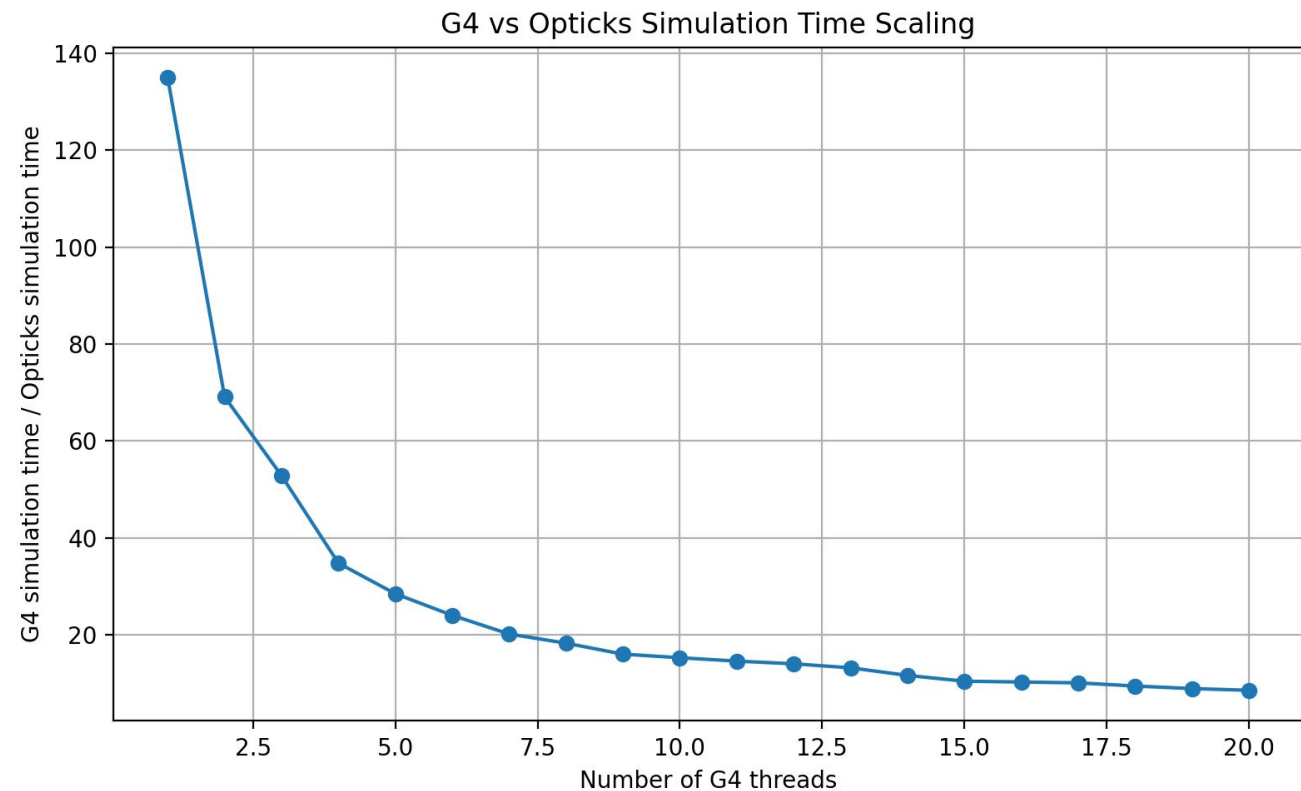
- Had to replace TRD, TRAP volumes in pfRICH GDML: pyramids are flat, single aerogel volume instead of tiles
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 - Geant4 hits : 13840566
 - Opticks hits : 13840638
- Time measurement for EIC-Opticks included:
 - Data movement from CPU -> GPU
 - Ray tracing
 - Copying results from GPU -> CPU
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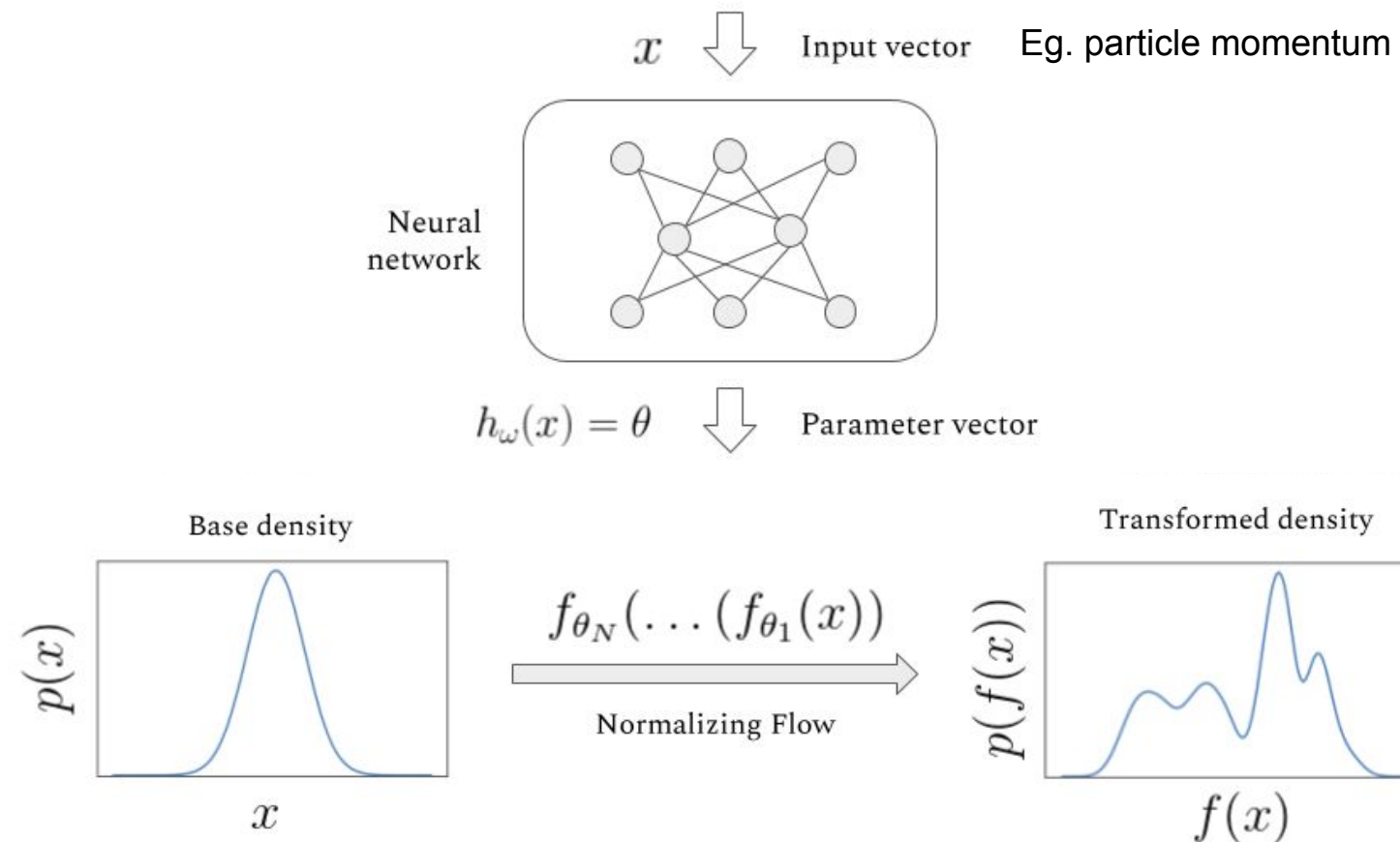
- How to make sure the geometry we are working does not affect the “physics” results?
 - Sakib is running same events with official EPIC code (IRT branch?)
- What particles to simulate?
 - What is most optical photon intensive?
- Anybody interested in trying out the code?

Surrogate model to generate pfRICH events

- <https://github.com/BNLNPPS/esi-fastlight>
- Idea: use ML to create pfRICH events on the fly without the need of Geant4, EIC-Opticks or any MC code
- Anybody on any computer can create huge dataset
 - For testing PID / tracking
 - Pretraining ML models
- A single python code that generates realistic pfRICH events for given momentum, particle type, direction and position
 - All you need to download an ML model, 100 kB now
 - Have python ML tools installed
 - Can create pfRICH hitmaps
- Only few weeks old project
- For now can create electrons with 5 GeV momentum, single direction and position

Conditional Normalizing Flow

- Sounds fancy but basically a neural network + an assumed (priori) probability density function
- Neural network is used to map (tweak, distort, transform) the a priori distribution
- 1 dimensional example:

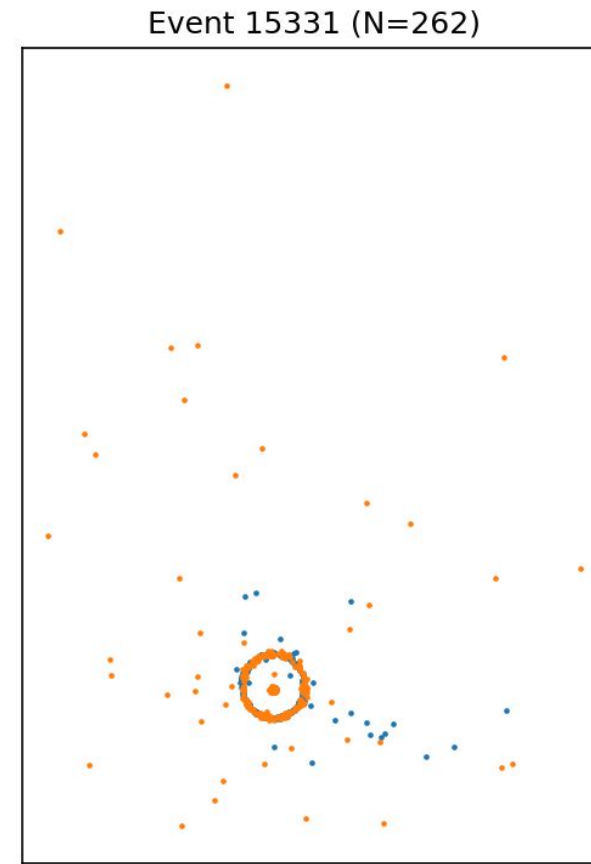
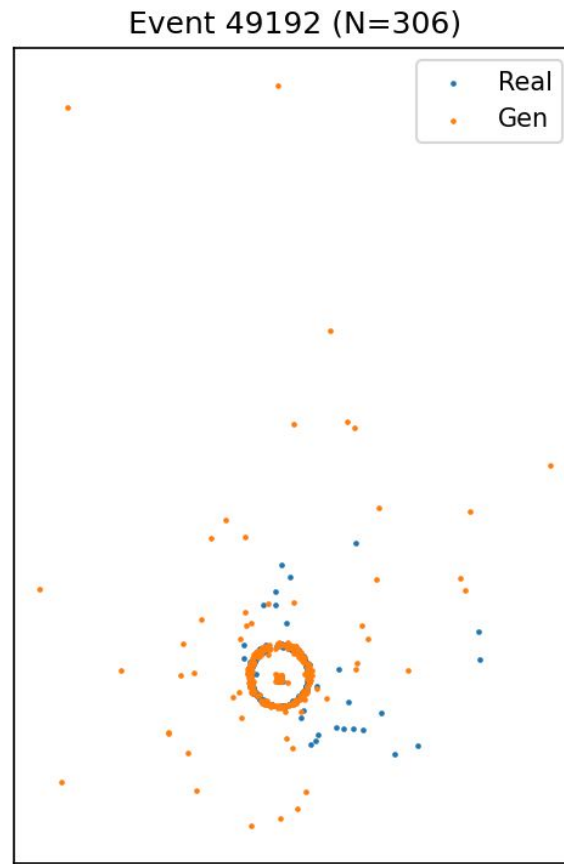


Conditional Normalizing Flow

- We want to do “Physics aware” machine learning:
- Do not give a 2D Gaussian as priori PDF
- We gave the CNF a 3-component mixture prior:
 - A ring PDF
 - A 2D Gaussian PDF for the center
 - A 2D Gaussian PDF for the scattered photon hits
- The neural network “fits” this priori to the training events
- 50k 5 GeV electron hitmaps used for training
- NN has ~100k hyperparameters

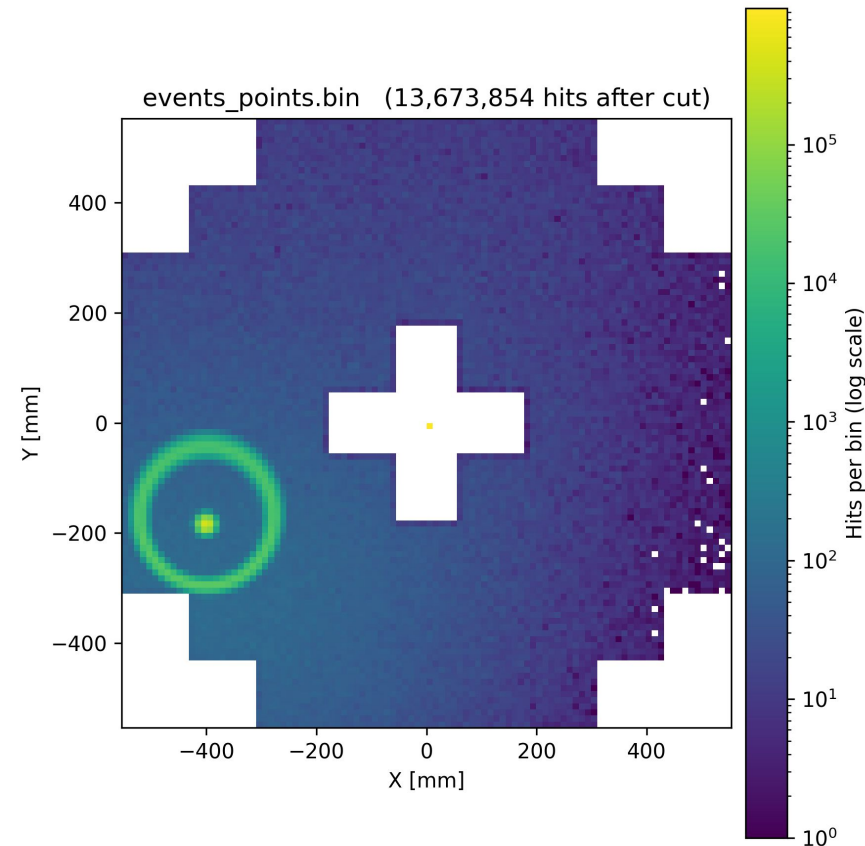
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- Comparing Monte Carlo (“real”) and events generated by CNF model
- Center, ring well modelled
- The scattered photon hits do not yet match up
- Multiplicity matches



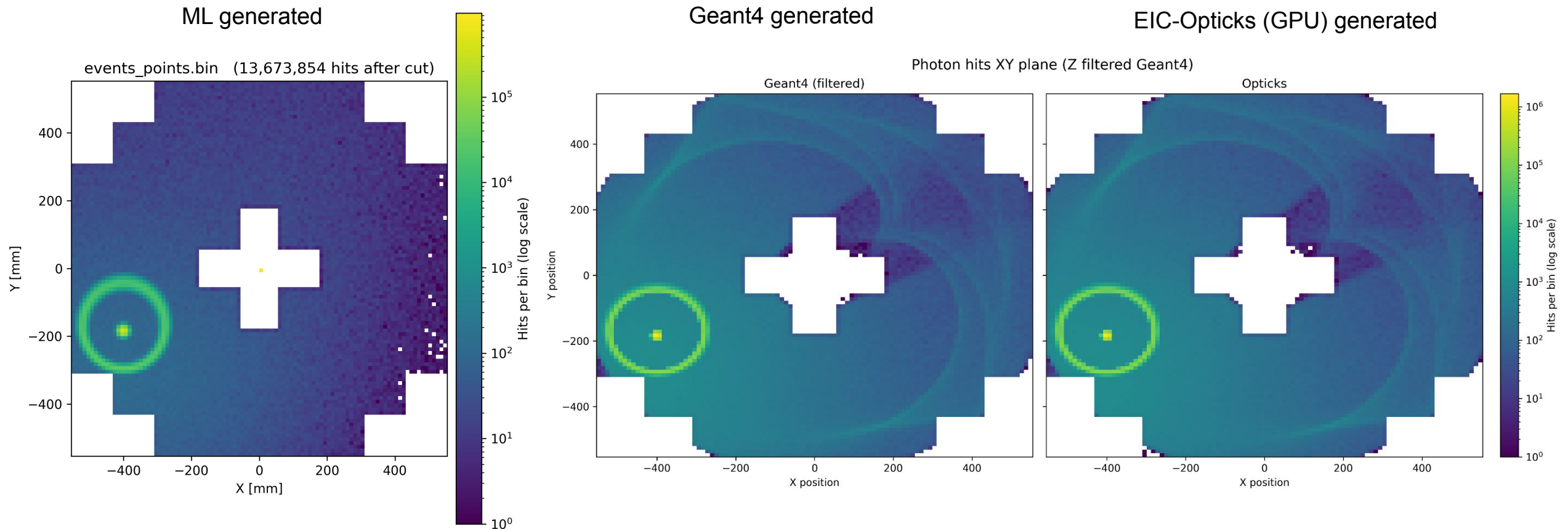
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Next steps + Questions

- Will add the following options / features / inputs:
 - Momentum
 - Particle type
 - Position
 - Direction
- Should time be generated too, not only positions?
- What particles are relevant?
- What are ranges of interest in momentum, direction, position?
- Looking for testers
- Any idea on the background priori?