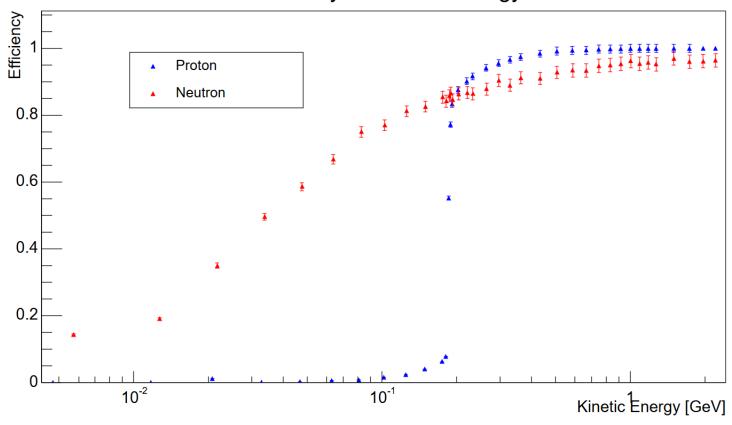
Pre-showering Layers

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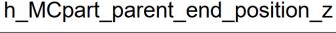
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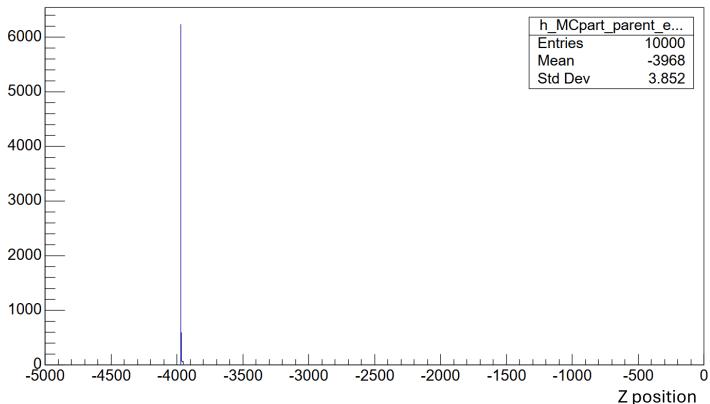
Abnormal efficiency



- Backward Hcal only in this simulation.
- Efficiency of Neutron grows gradually
- Efficiency of Proton has a sharp jump at around 200MeV Kinetic Energy.

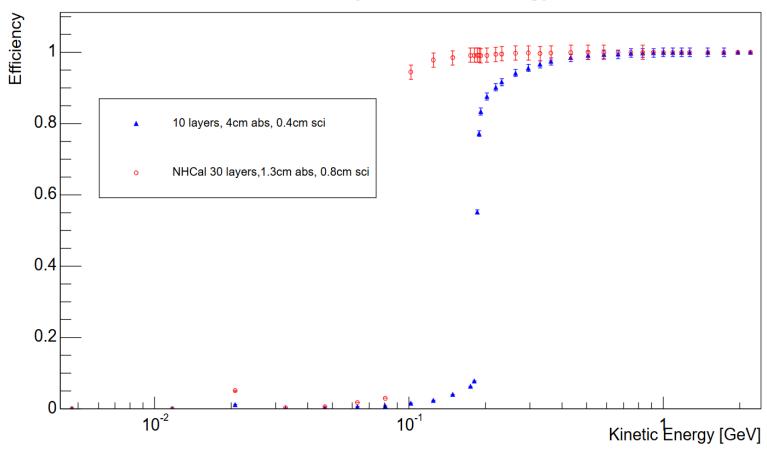
Proton Behavior





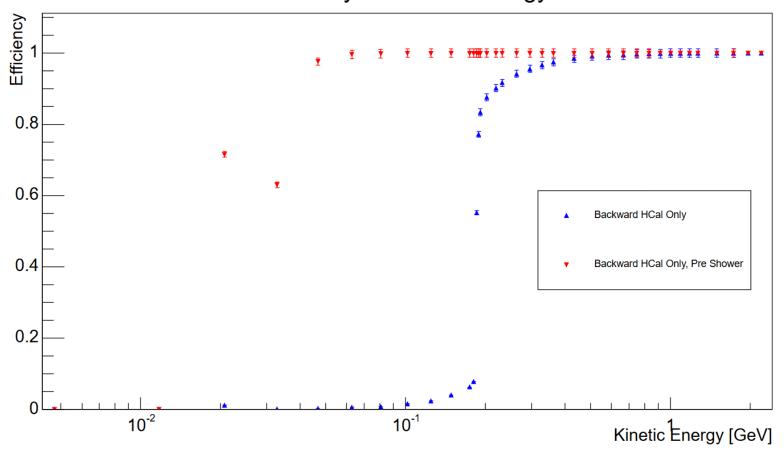
- 180MeV Proton in this simulation (just below the energy threshold).
- Protons from the gun stopped in the first layer of absorber, before the first layer of scintillator.

Geometry change



- New geometry of Hcal marked in red, based on the suggestion for neutron efficiency
- Energy threshold for proton efficiency shifted.

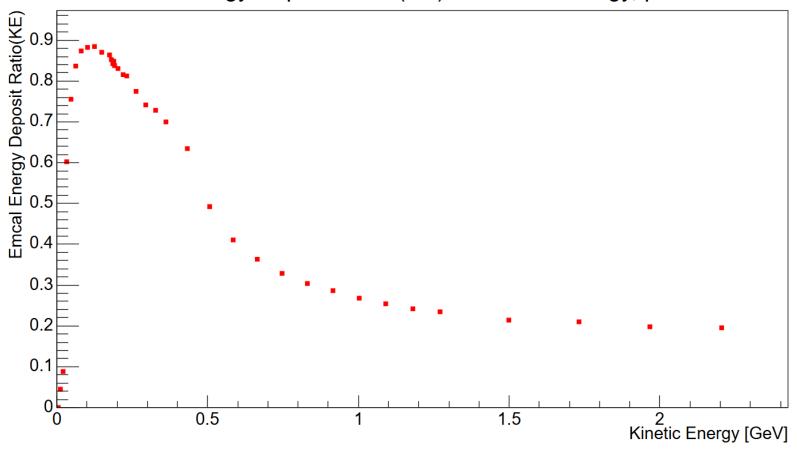
Pre-showering layer included



- Pre-showering layer means add one scintillator layers before our default Hcal detector.
- Layer thickness the same as the scintillator thickness in detector.
- Efficiency improve significantly

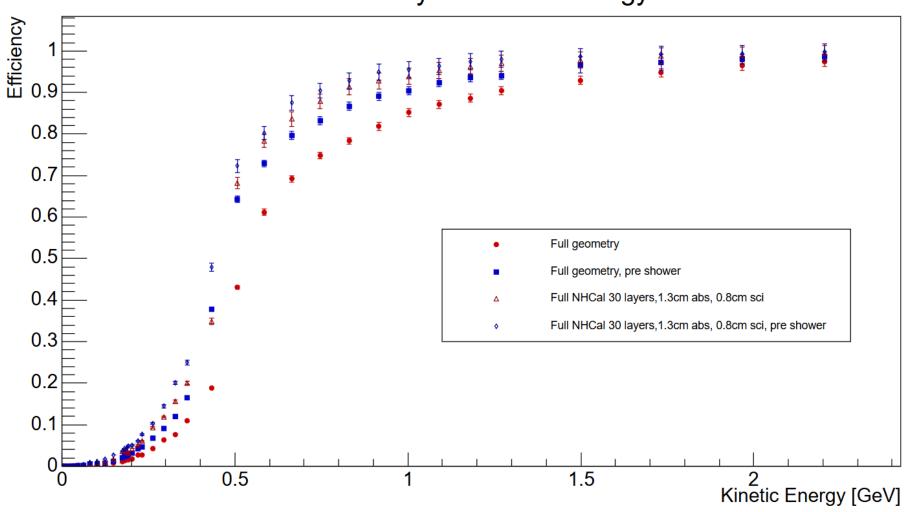
Full geometry, proton

Emcal Energy Deposit Ratio(KE) vs Kinetic Energy, proton



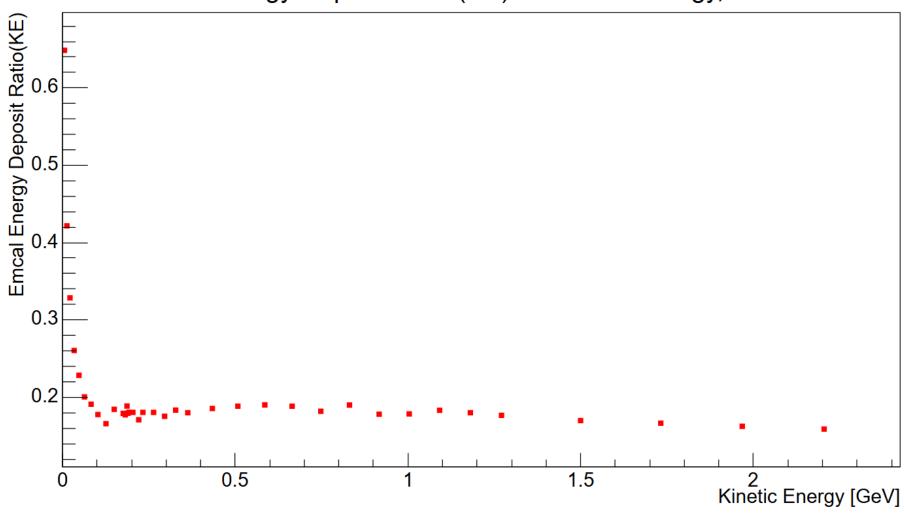
- Proton from the gun hit Emcal before hit Hcal
- Almost all its energy is deposited in the Emcal for low energy proton.

Full geometry, proton

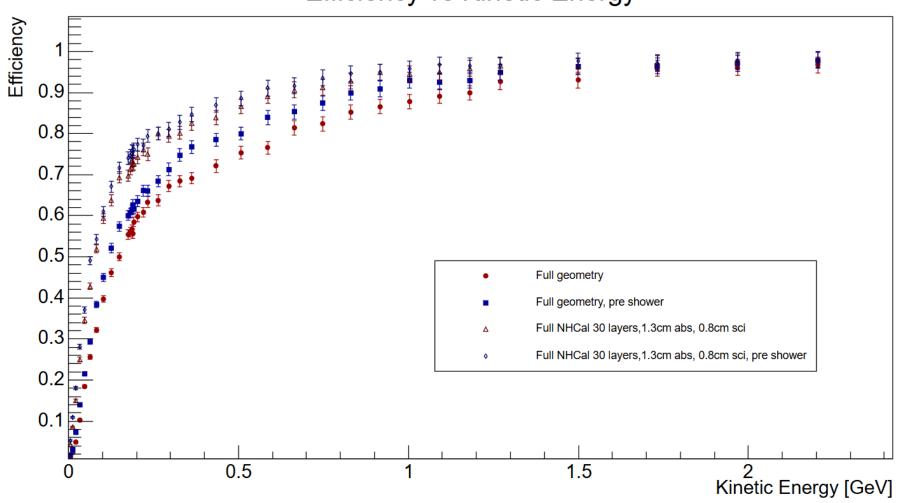


Full geometry, neutron

Emcal Energy Deposit Ratio(KE) vs Kinetic Energy, neutron



Full geometry, neutron



Conclusion

- Pre-showering layers can significantly improve our detector's efficiency of proton detection.
- The efficiency shows a dependence on the ratio of absorber and scintillator, so my next plan is trying to change the thickness of the pre-showering scintillator layers and see what difference can be made.
- The energy level of proton in our real study is also important, because that will determine whether the energy threshold of efficiency in my study is worthy to pay attention.
- Instead of using a particle gun, using a pythia event to see how different setup works in more realistic situation.