



First steps to Res-CC π^0

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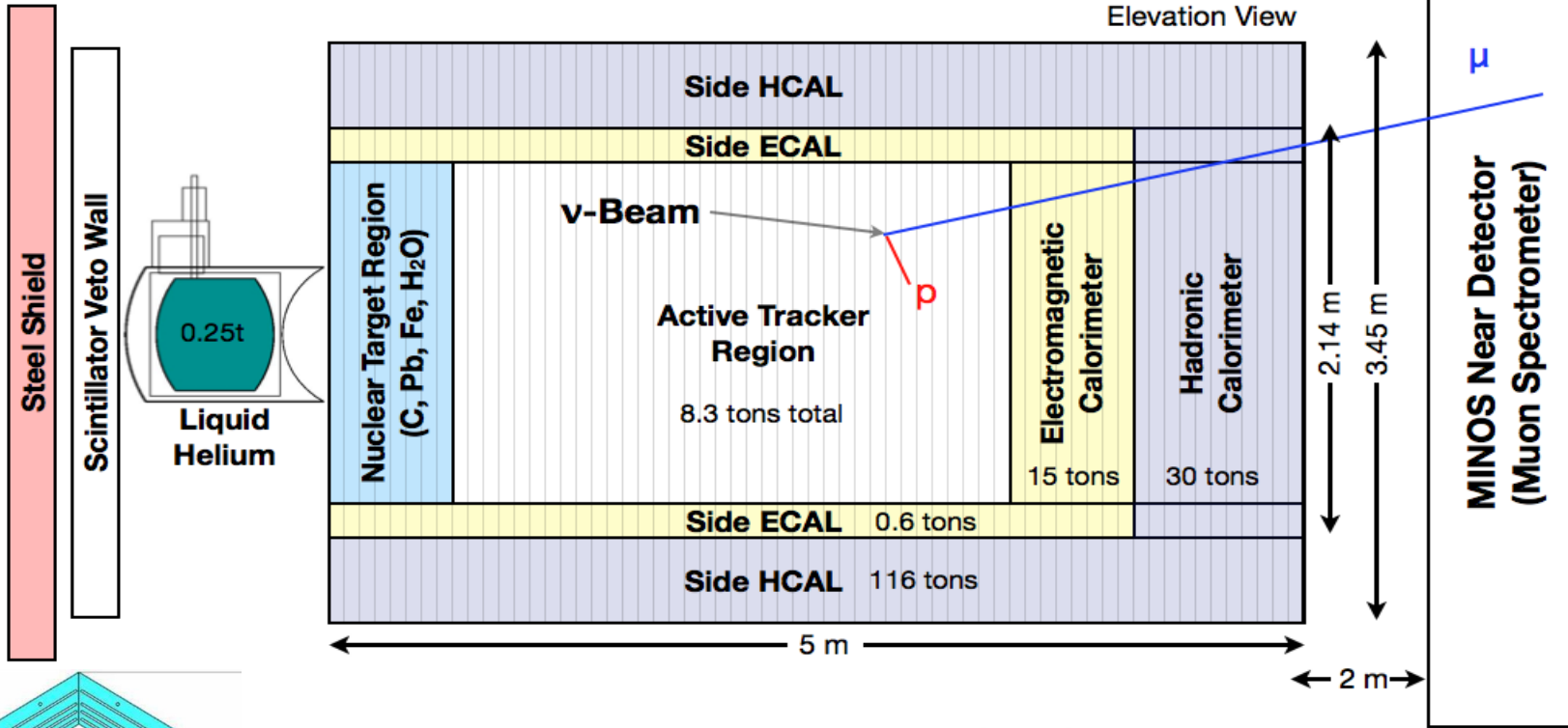
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Overview

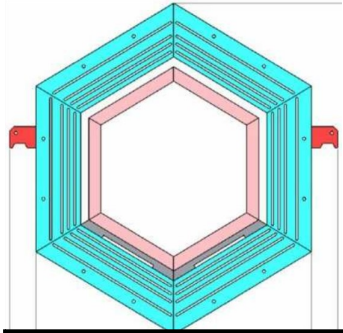
- ✓ MINER ν A.
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 - ✓ π^0 mass like discriminator.
 - ✓ Shower direction.
- ✓ Blobs* to contain Photons.

MINERvA Detector

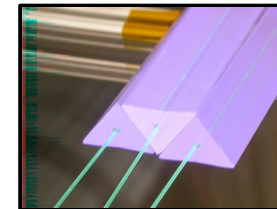
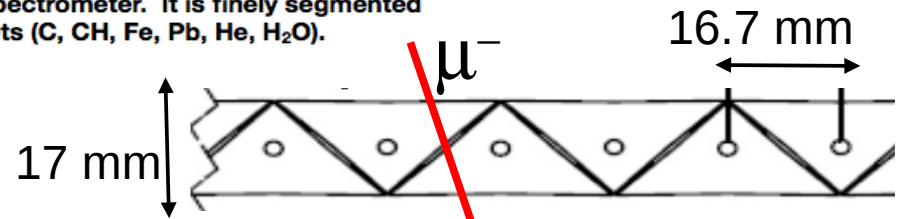
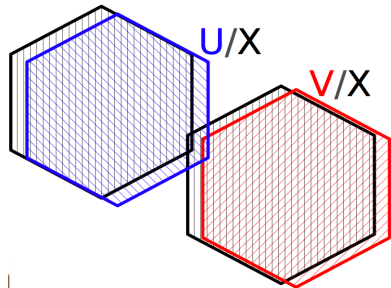
Elevation View



The MINERvA detector is comprised of a stack of MODULES of varying composition, with the MINOS Near Detector acting as a muon spectrometer. It is finely segmented (~32 k channels) with multiple nuclear targets (C, CH, Fe, Pb, He, H₂O).



127 scintillator strips per plane.



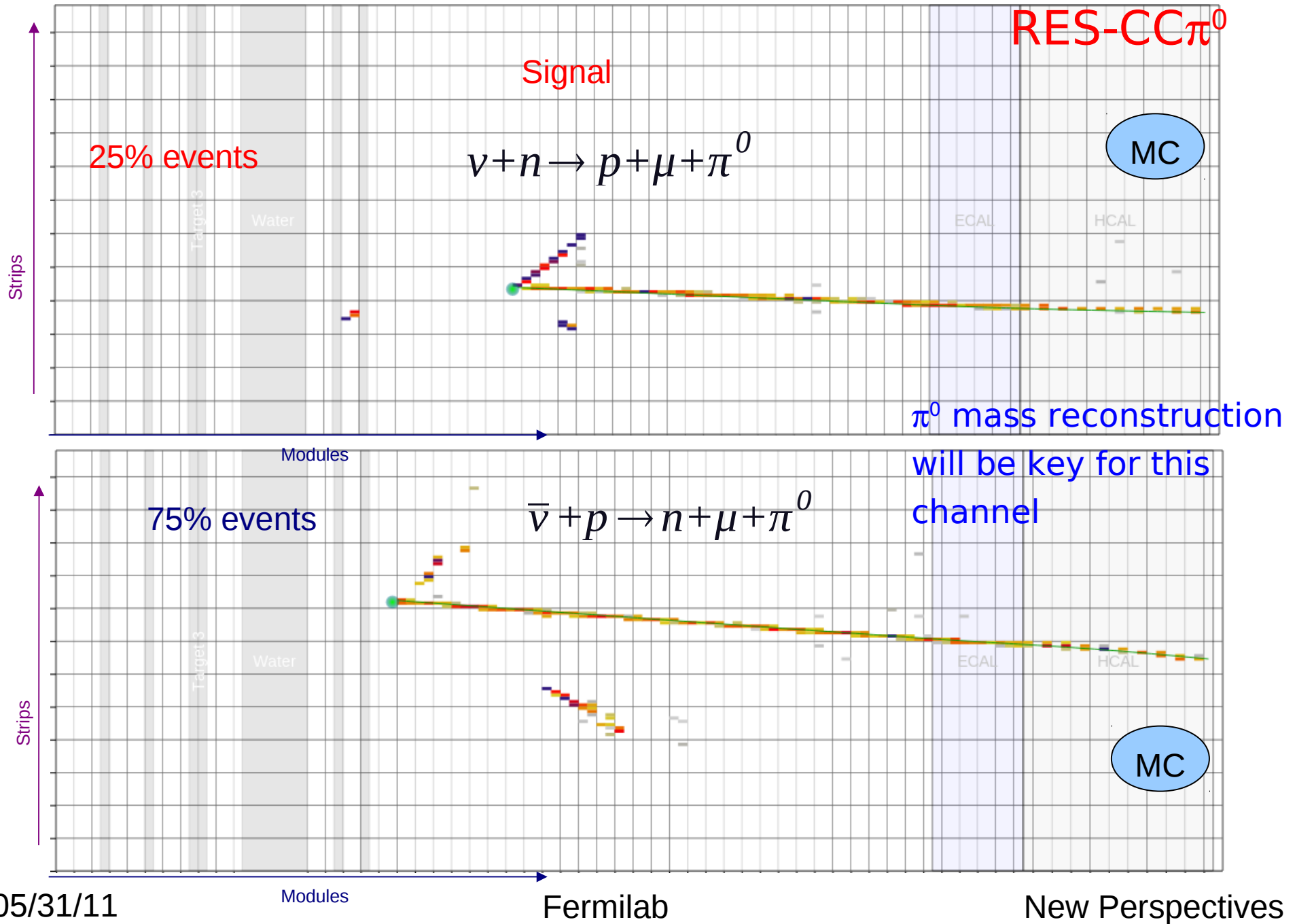
Triangular strip to allow charge sharing

Tracker module = 2 planes
 ECAL module = 2 planes + 2 (2 mm thick) sheet of lead
 HCAL module = 1 plane + 1 (1 inch thick) sheet of steel

Motivation

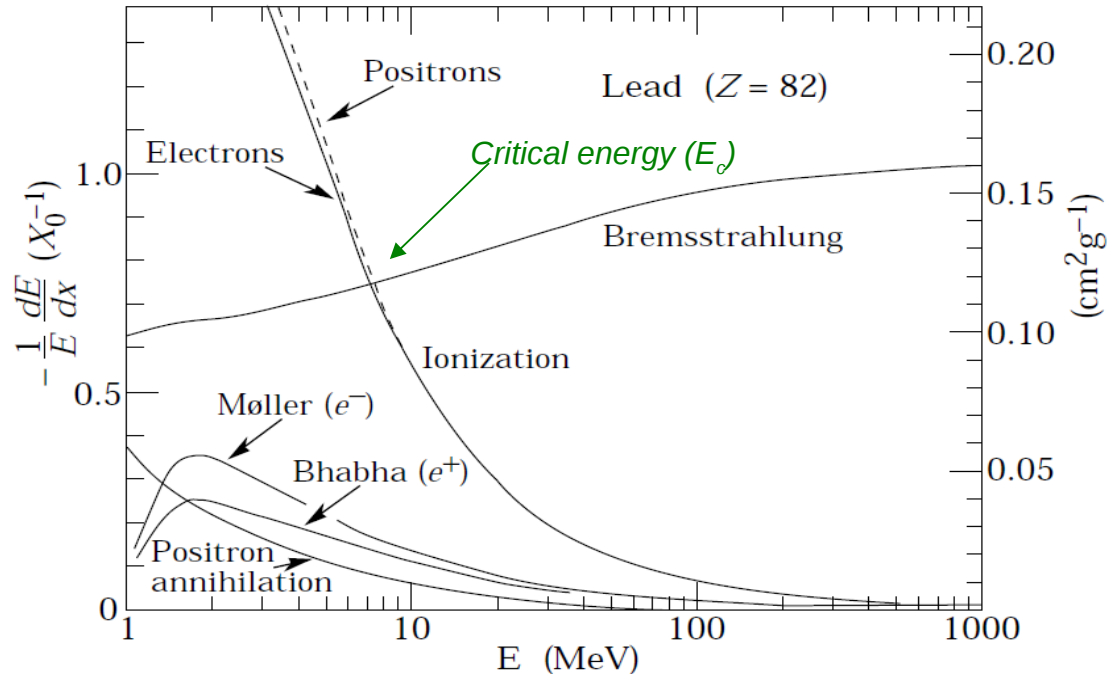
- One of the largest limitations on neutrino experiments comes from the not complete information about neutrino cross sections in the GeV energy range.
- High statistics and the final states characterization will improve these measurements (detector granularity and good reconstruction).
- Importance to oscillation searches ($\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$): they also have to recognize muon and electron (E.M. shower) and one of the main backgrounds to the ν_e signal comes from ν_μ interactions producing π^0 's. The π^0 's cross section estimation is very important.

Motivation

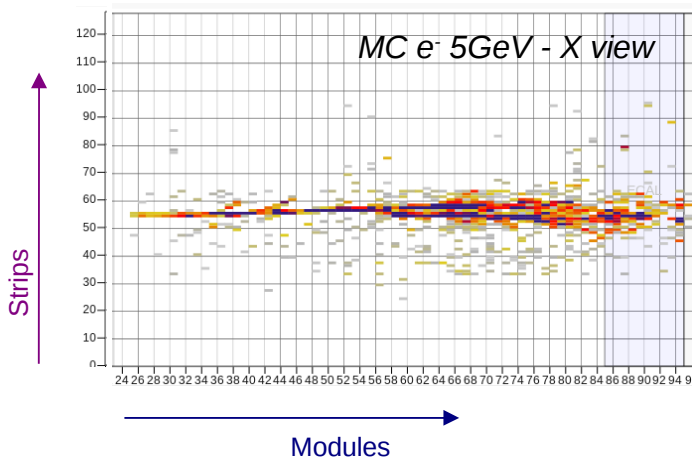


EM showers

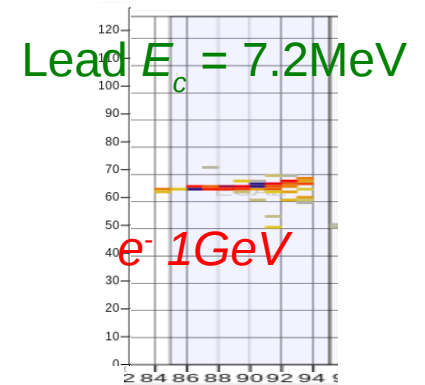
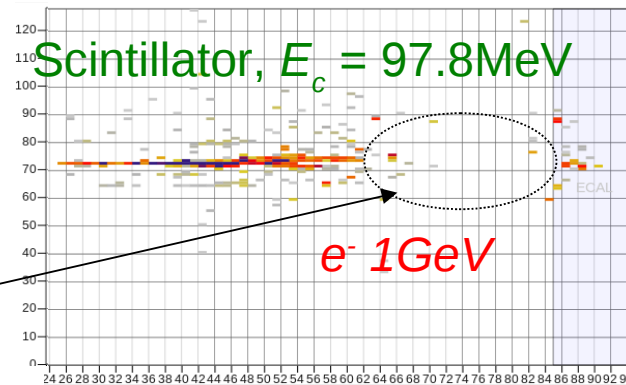
- Particle multiplication driven by bremsstrahlung(e^- and e^+) and pair production(γ).
- Ionization process is the most basic mechanism to deposit energy.



$$E_c = \frac{610 \text{ MeV}}{Z + 1.24}$$

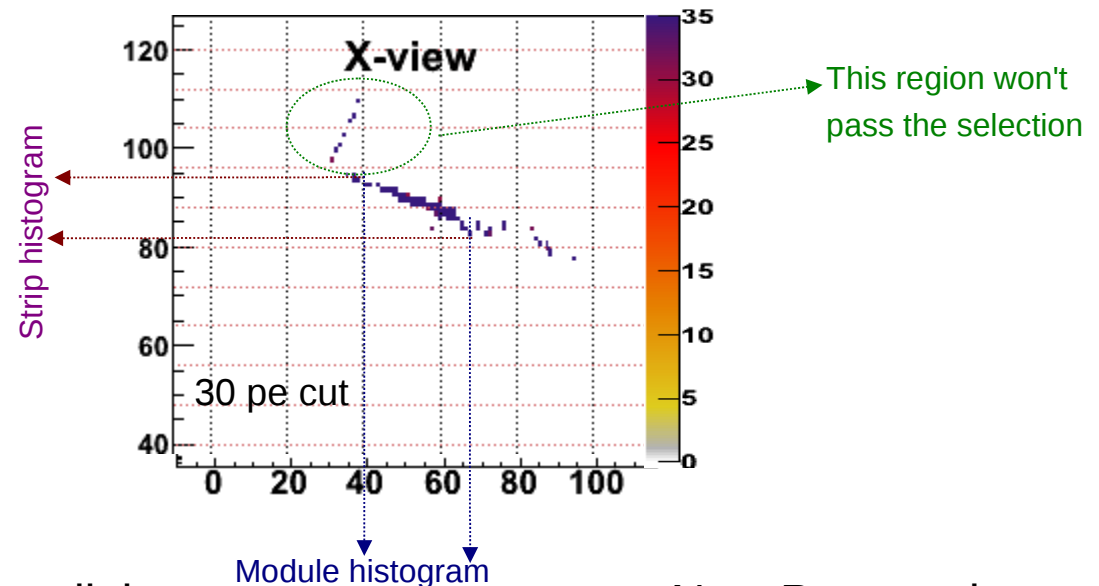
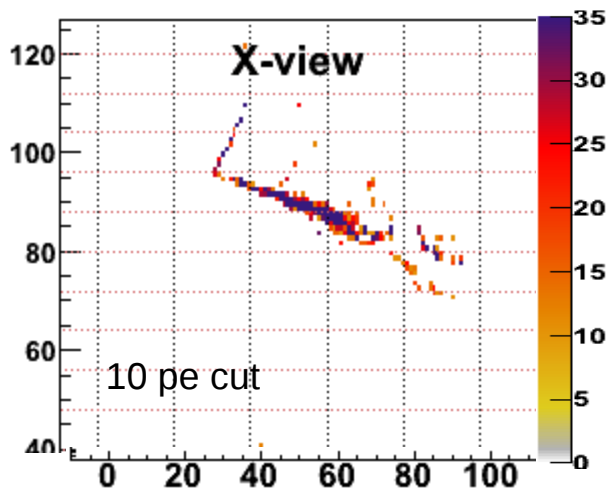
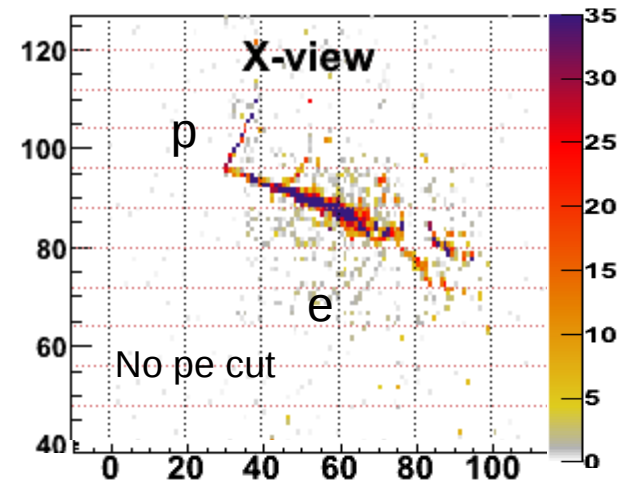


- Particle multiplication is dominant when E_c (Z high) is lower than shower energy.
- There can be gaps when there are non energetic showers and high E_c .



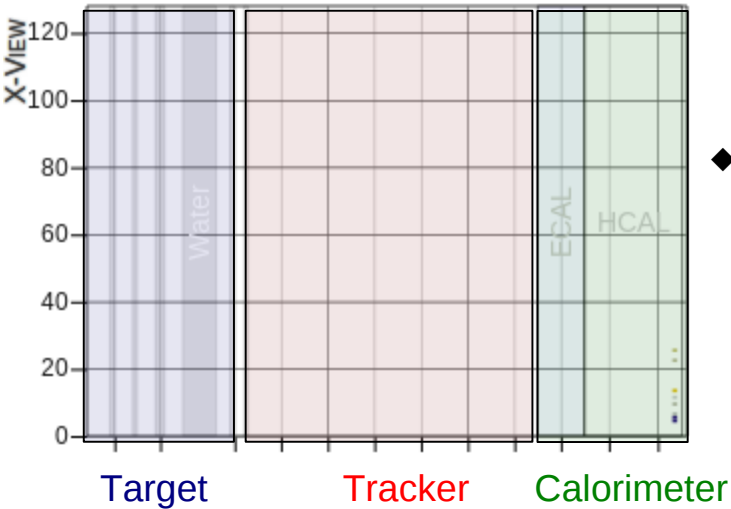
Shower Filter

- I started using an event sample selected by “hand scan” with notorious electromagnetic showers topology (no tracks).
- Then apply an appropriate energy cut to isolate the main core of the shower.
- Project the shower core into “Module and Strip histograms”, those histograms have to pass RMS threshold and minimum number of entries.



Shower Filter

- ◆ I took a sample to efficiency study:
 - ◆ MC Low Energy mode (ν_u and ν_e) \sim 100K events.
- ◆ Additional cuts:
 - ◆ Incoming neutrino energy 1 – 20GeV.
 - ◆ Vertex Z position inside the **Tracker Region**.
 - ◆ Transversal vertex position has to be inside **circular region (Radius = 800mm)**.

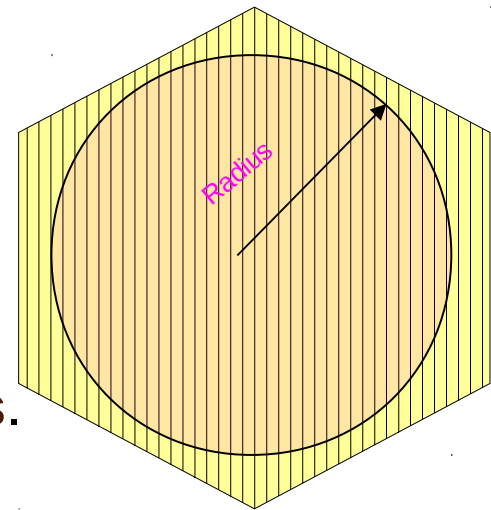


➤ **Potential Candidates** (e^- 's, γ 's, π^0 's).

➤ **Main Candidates** (e^- 's $>$ 1 GeV, γ 's $>$ 1GeV and π^0 's $>$ 1.5GeV).

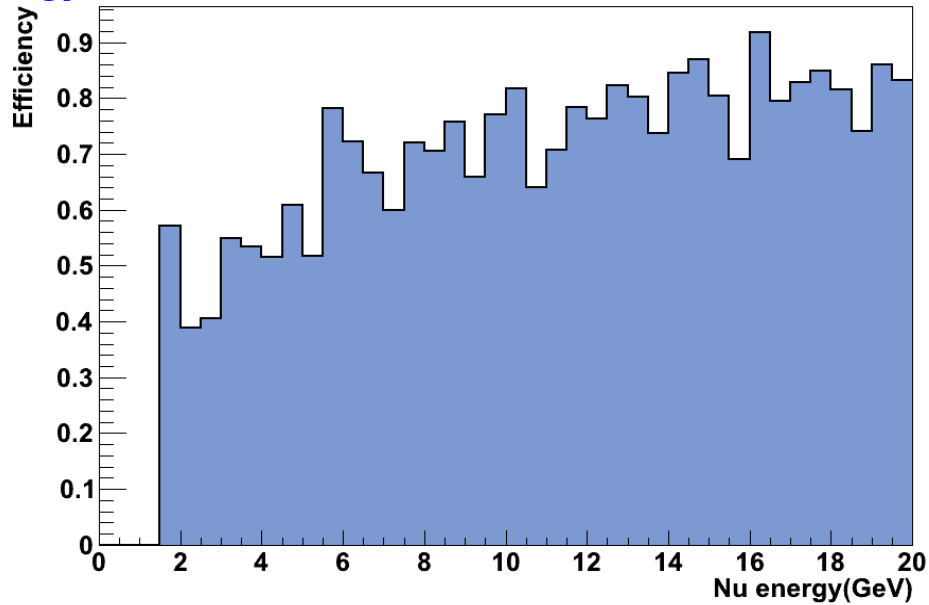
➤ Efficiency = #Main Candidates (pass filter) / #Main Candidates.

➤ Purity = #**Potential Candidates**(pass filter) / #Candidates(pass filter).



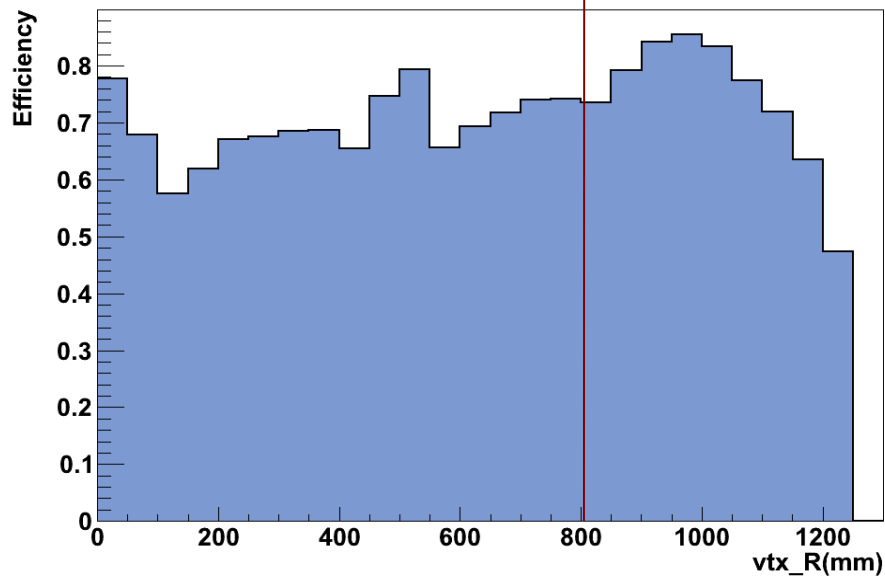
Shower Filter - Efficiency

Energy

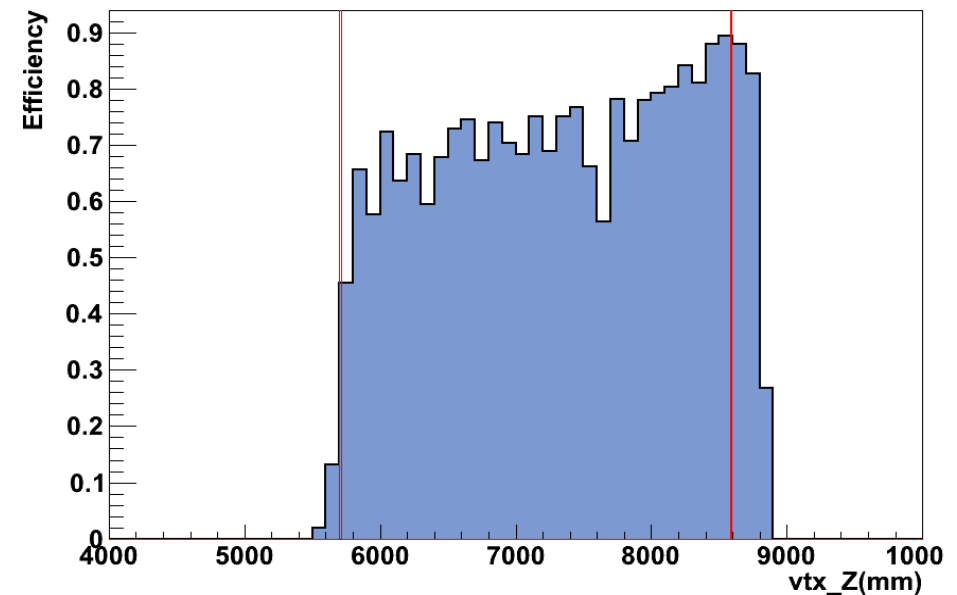


Purity is ~88%, where most of the “fake events” are coming from DIS channel

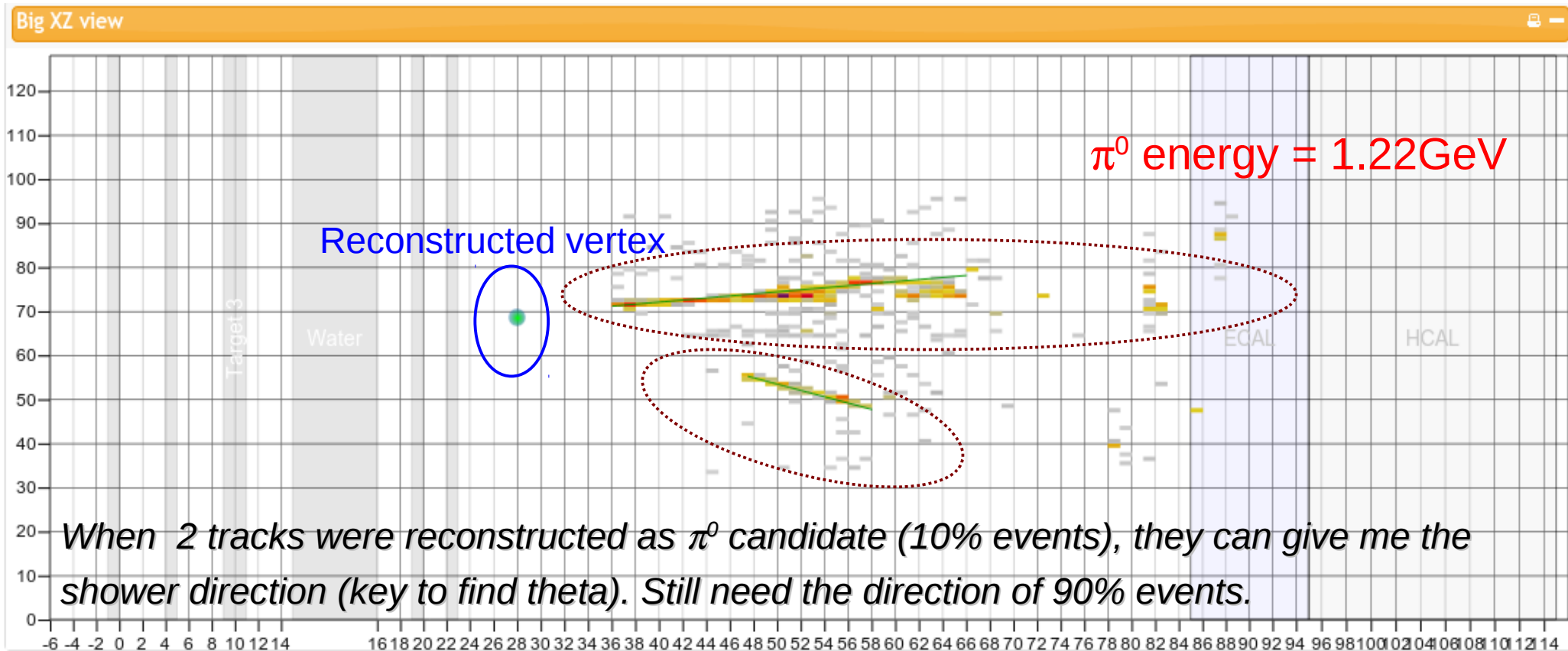
Radius



Vertex Z



About π^0 Mass



π^0 mass reconstruction:

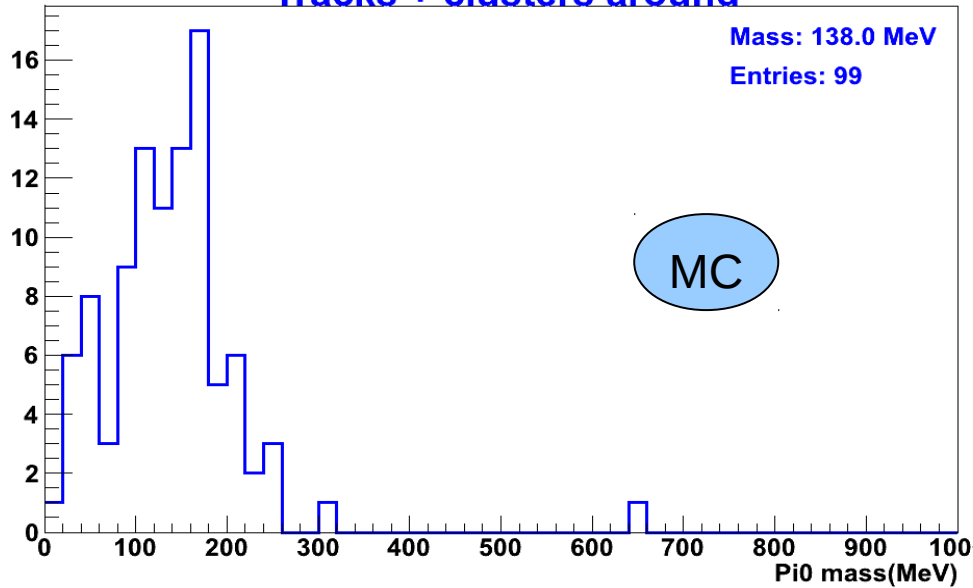
$$M_{\pi^0} = \sqrt{2 \cdot E_{\gamma_1} \cdot E_{\gamma_2} \cdot (1 - \cos(\theta_{\gamma_1, \gamma_2}))}$$

- 1) Using visible energy from tracks adding cluster around them.
- 2) Reconstructed vertex close to true vertex(1module 5 strips)

About Pi0 Mass

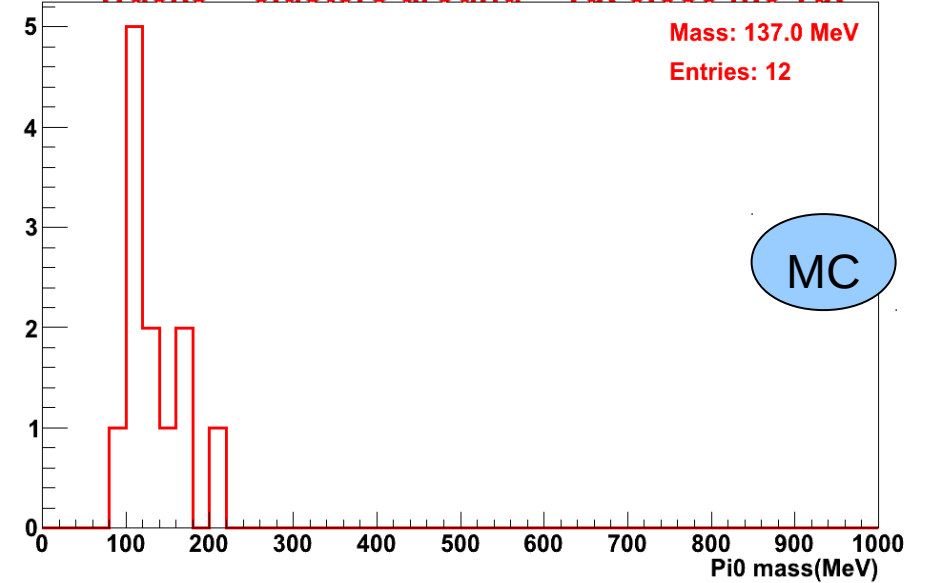
Pi0 mass

Tracks + clusters around



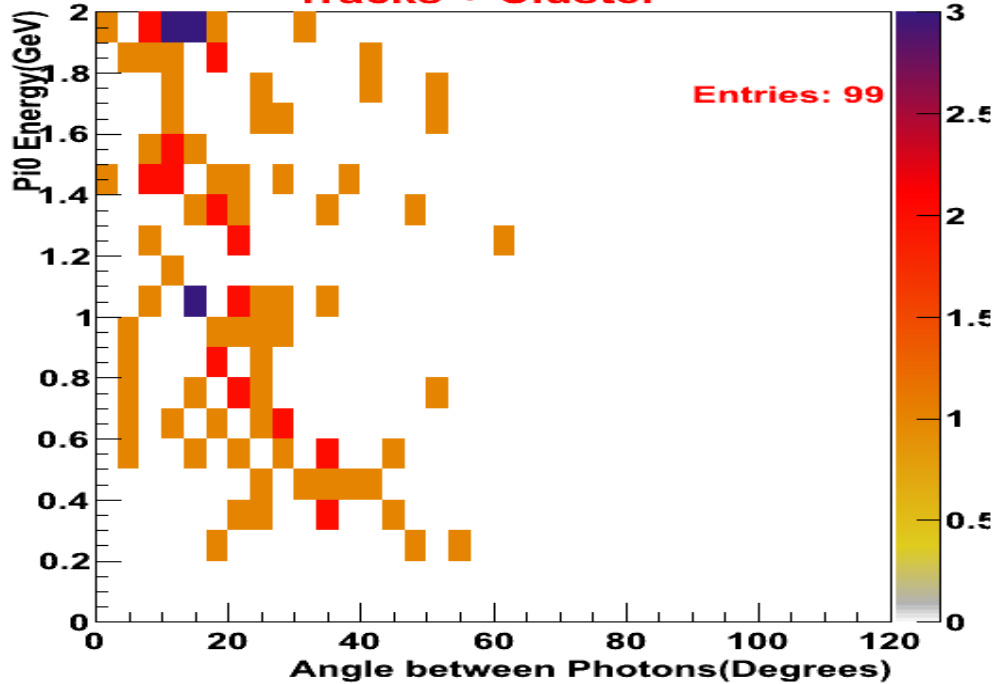
Pi0 mass

Tracks + clusters around + vtx close mc vtx



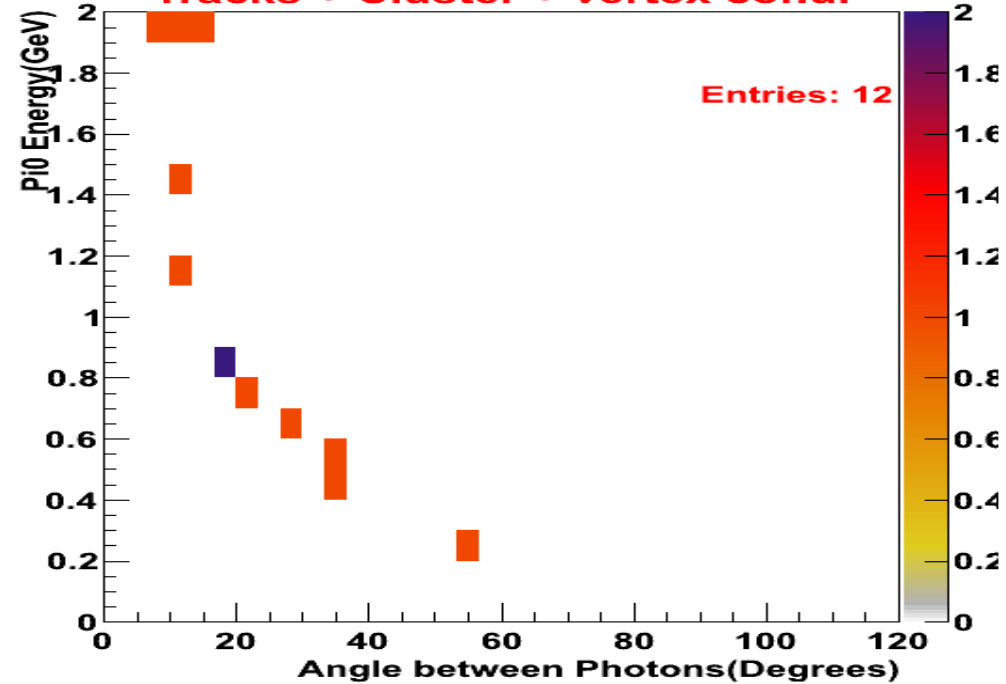
Angle

Tracks + Cluster



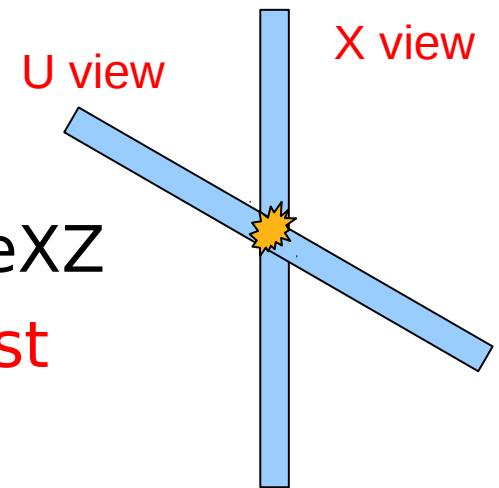
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Tracks + Cluster + vertex cond.

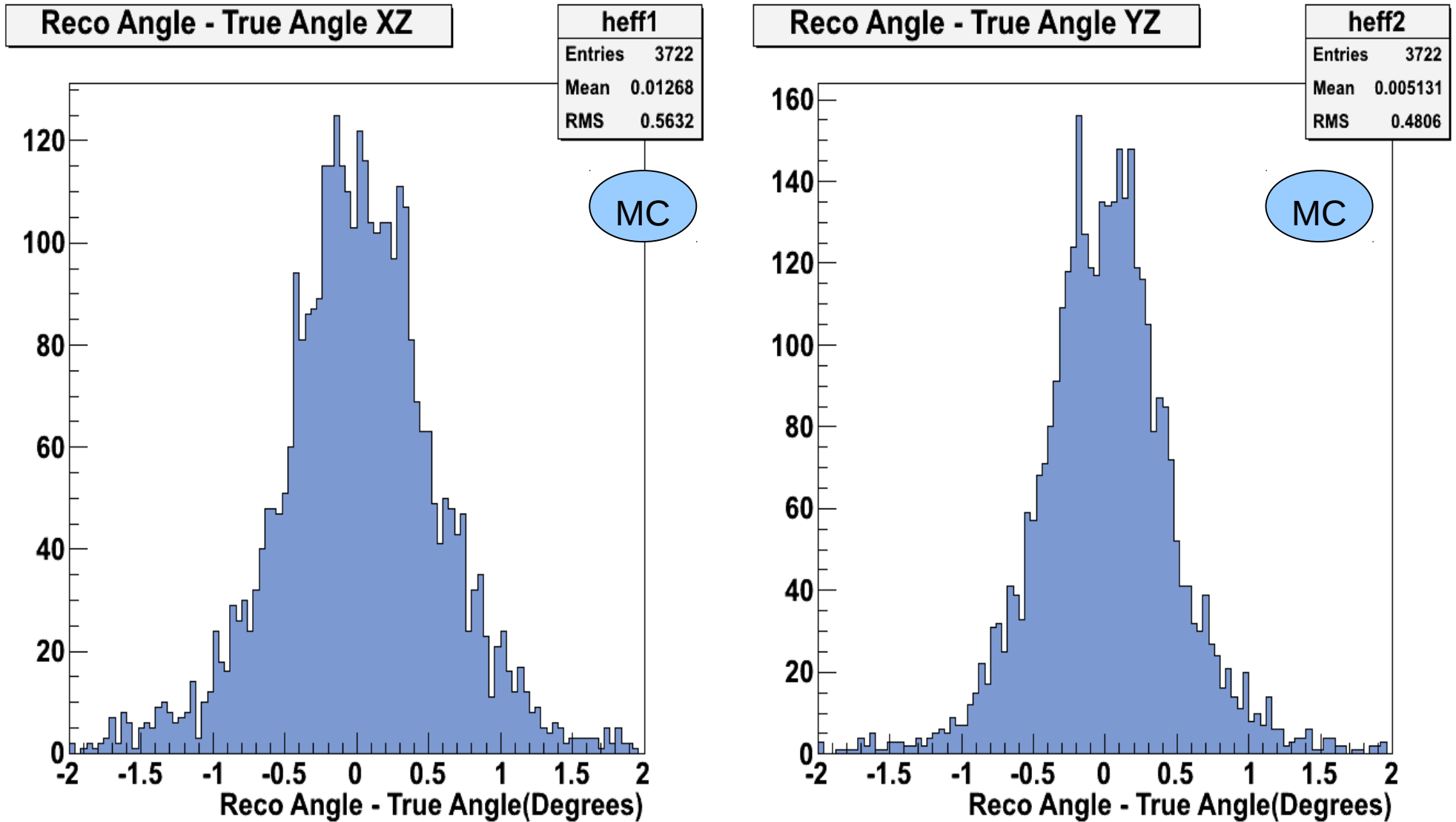


Shower Direction

- The idea is estimate the angle between the shower direction and the beam direction per XZ and YZ views.
- Using shower core and the energy weighted position per view, I can assume an intersection “point” per module. Every modules has views.
- Finally, I have a X-Y-Z coord. per module. With those points I can calculate the slopeXZ slopeYZ using **Simple linear regression(first approx)**.
- I will use a simulation with a single electron going to MINERvA detector to test this algorithm.

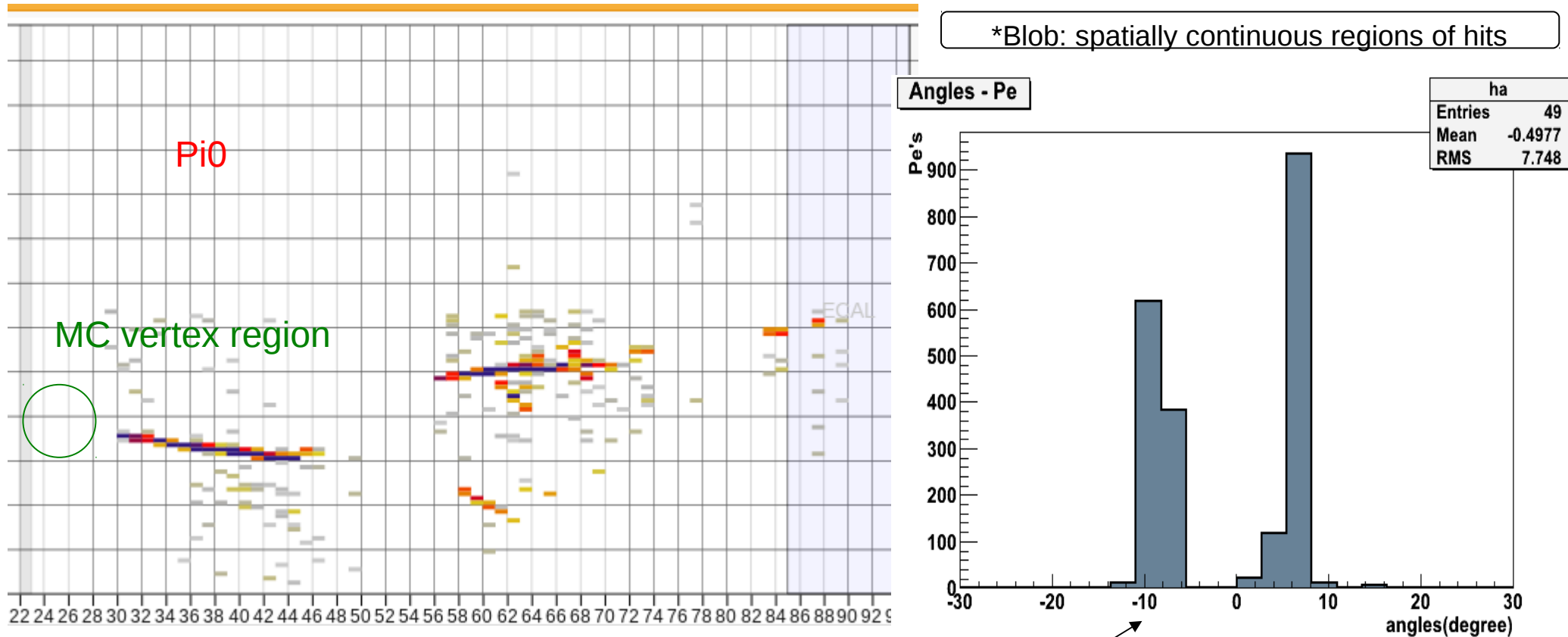


Shower Direction



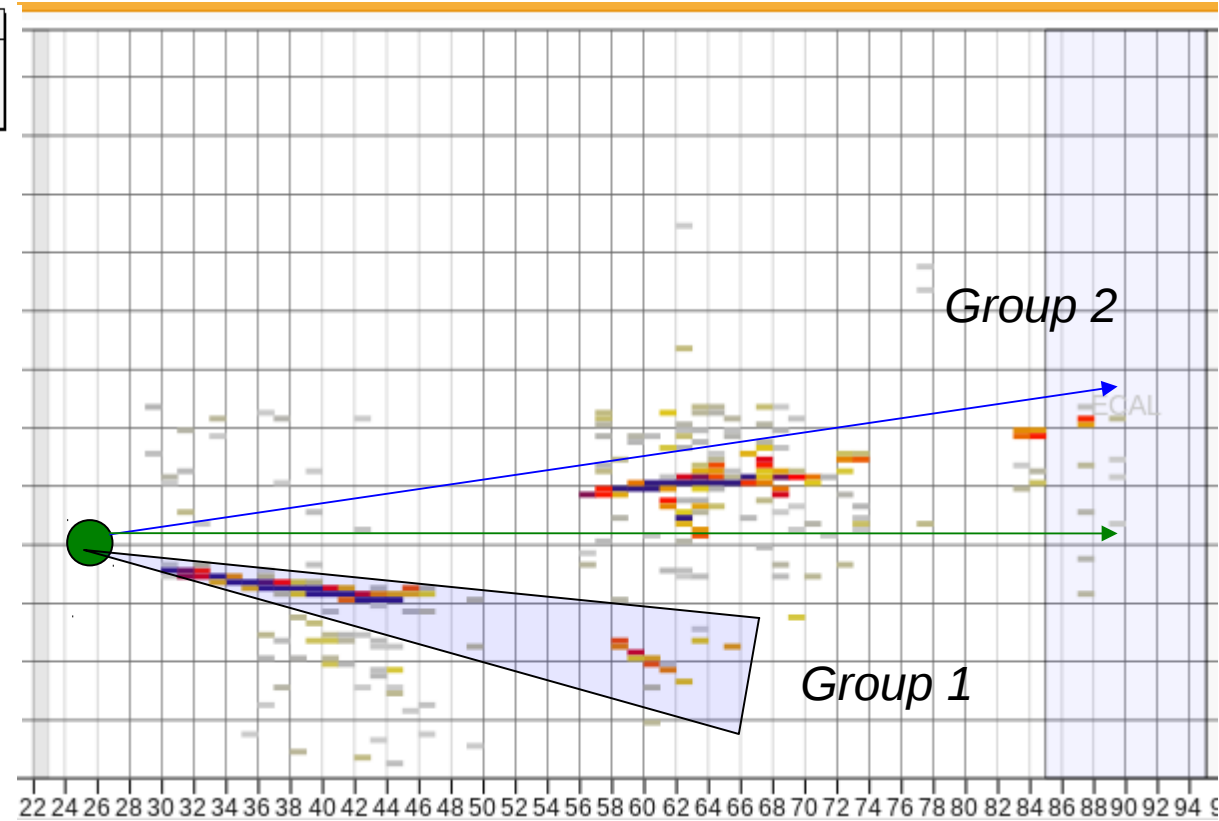
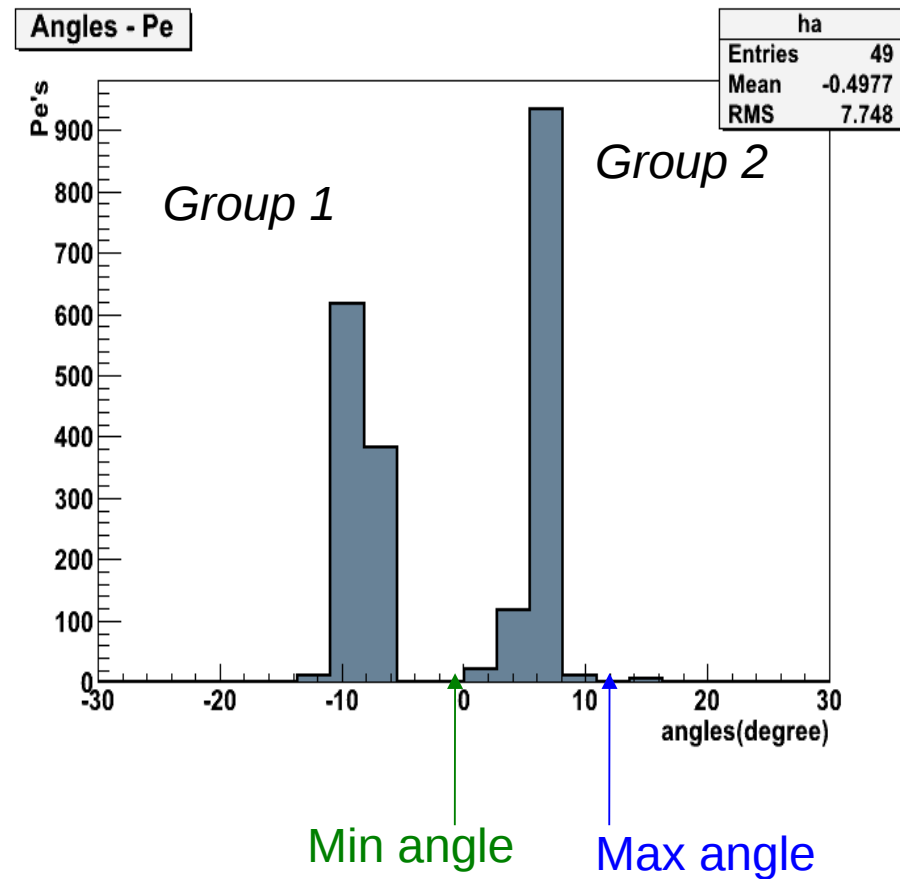
Simple MC electron sample (5 GeV)

Blob* to contain photons



Using vertex like relative point, I fill out a 1D histogram, where every entry is the angle between every hit and the vertex, weighted by its charge. Similar to Hough Transformation with $r = 0$.

Blob to contain Photons

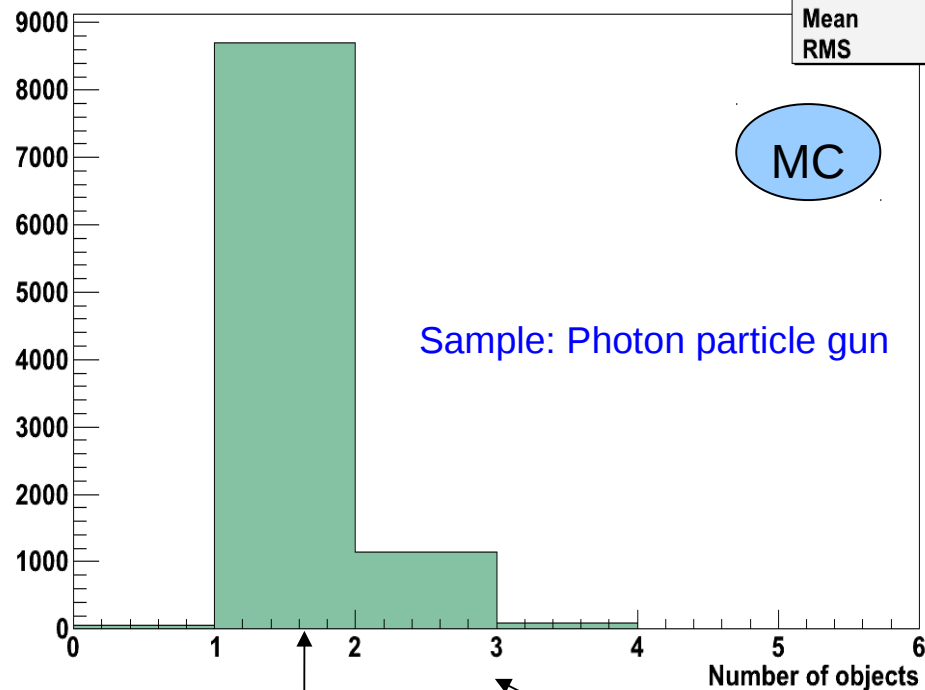


Then every group (particle) inside the histogram will have a minimum angle and maximum angle (Peak finder is not implemented yet in overlap case)

Loop over hits to find those inside the "Cone Area", this method can also catch the shower hits beyond gaps.

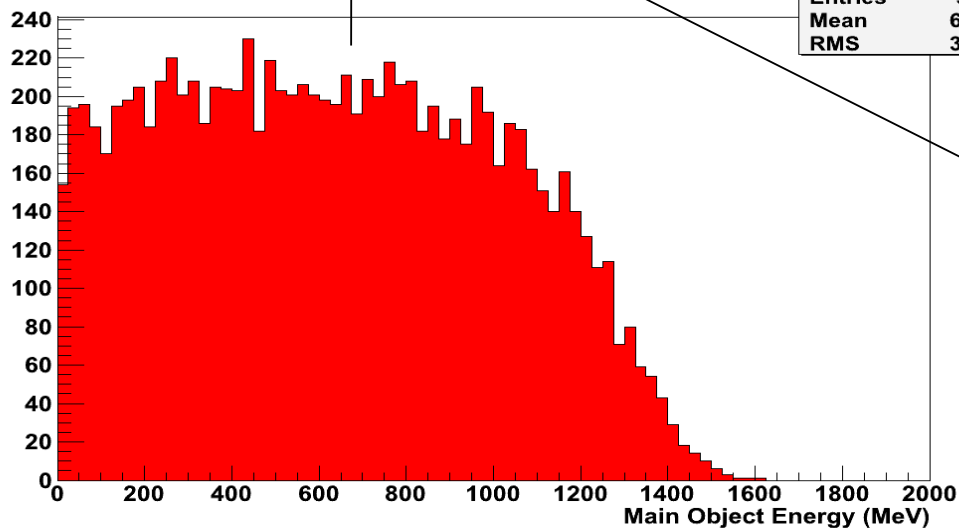
Number of blobs per event

Numbers of objects

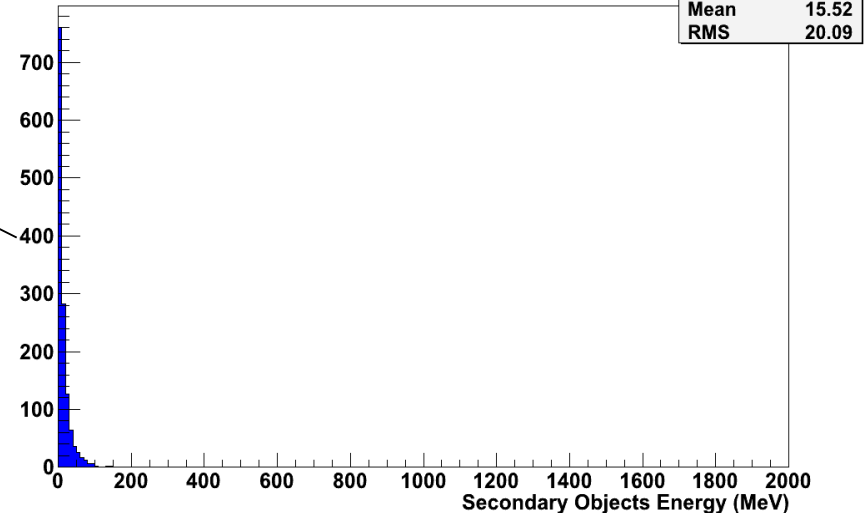


The number of blobs for this sample has to have an average 1. In some events this number is more than 1 because not every particle follow shower direction. But this contribution is not significant like the main object.

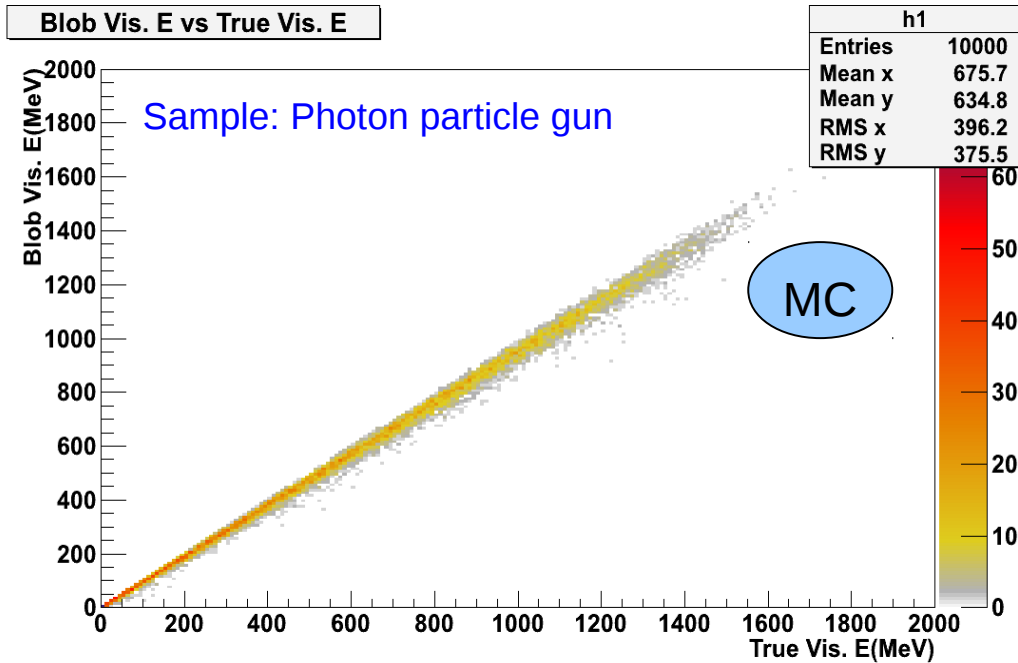
Main object Energy



Secondary objects Energy

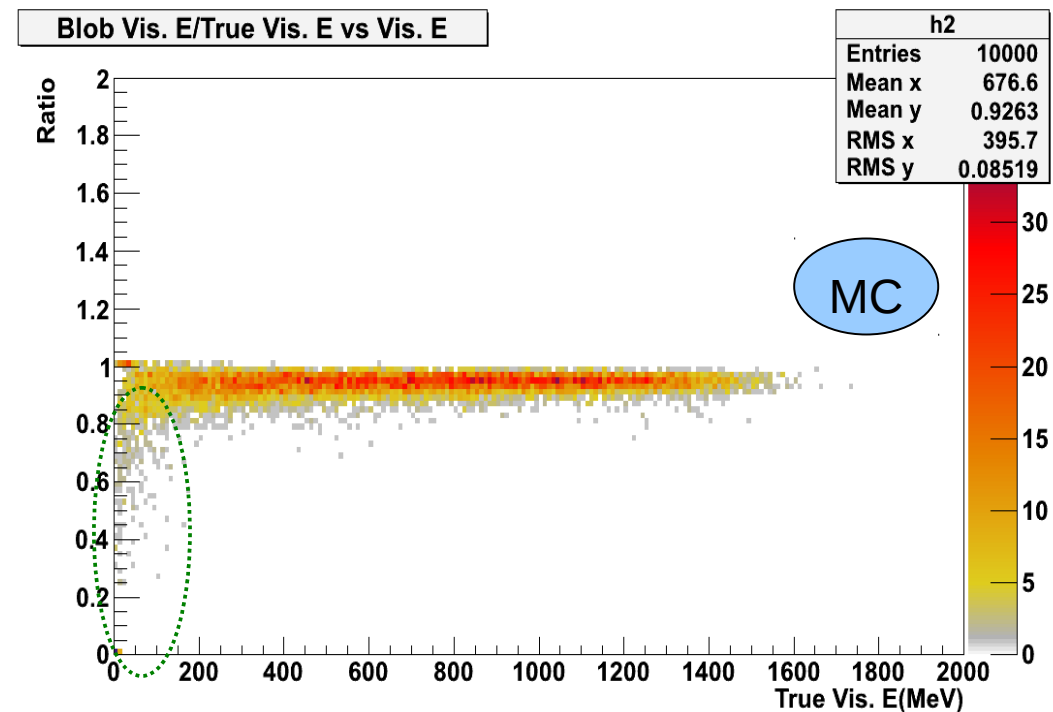


Blob containing visible energy



The main blob in average is containing 93% of the True visible energy

This blob shows fluctuations when visible energy is low (less than 200MeV).

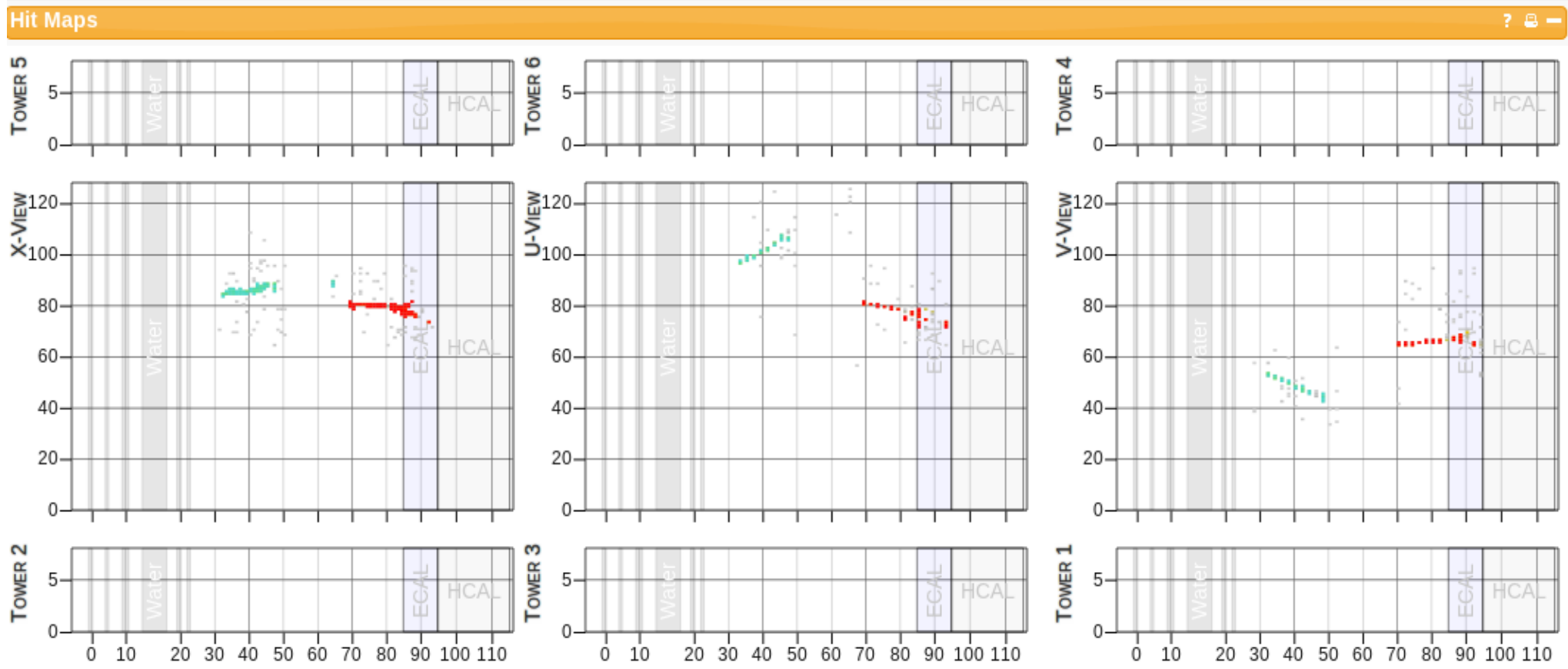


Conclusions

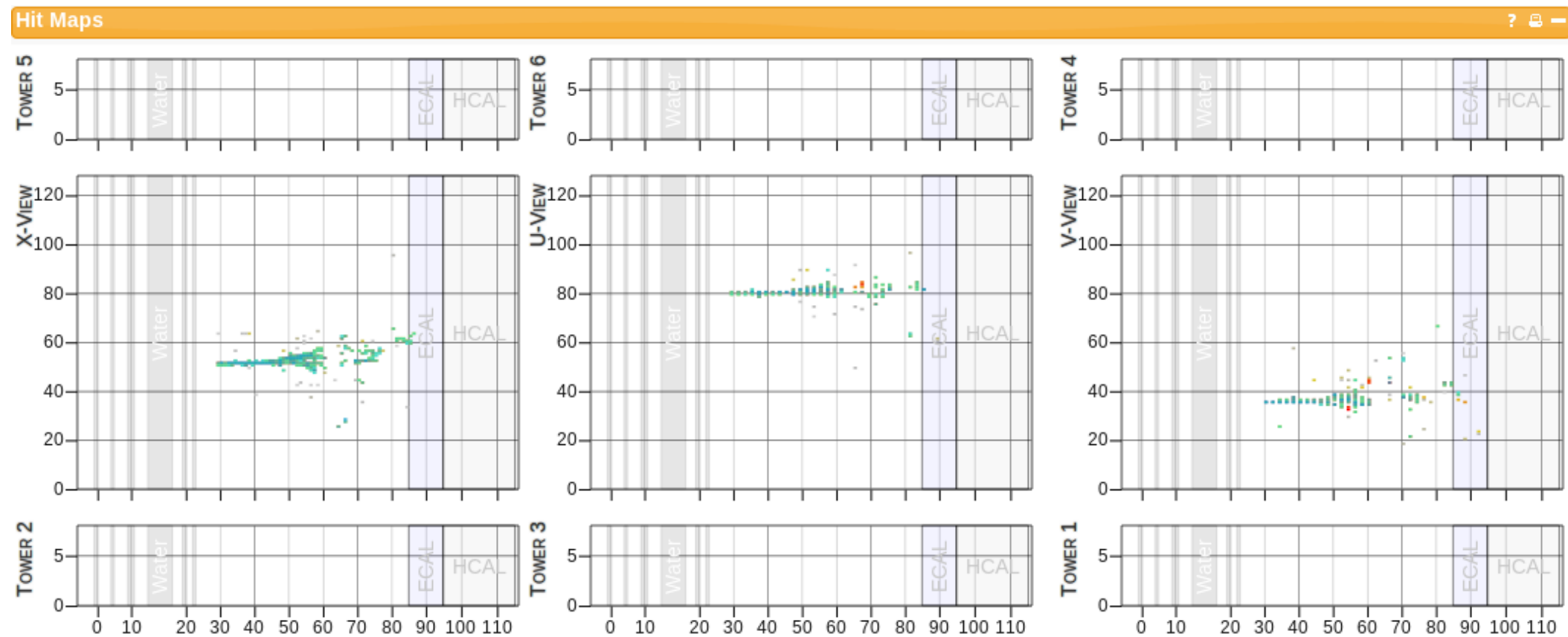
- I will use vertex position given by Muon track to scan the γ s coming from π^0 .
- π^0 mass will be a nice tool to isolate my sample.
- Improve this blob algorithm, merging 3 MINERvA views with non trivial topology, apparently is working not too bad.
- More studies, more coffee and finish PhD degree....

Backup slides

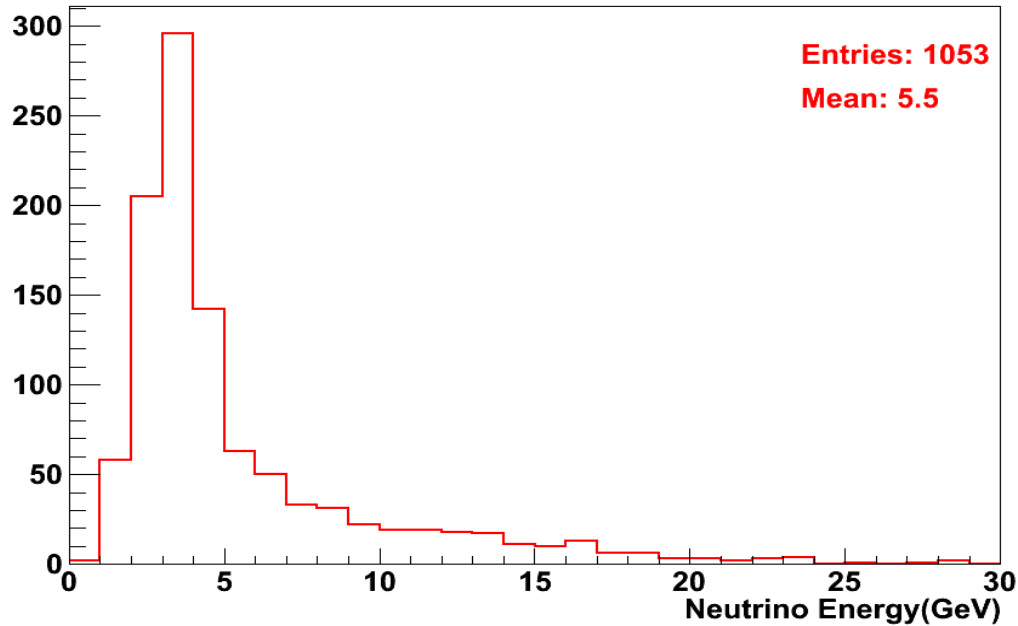
Example: Pi0



Example: Photon



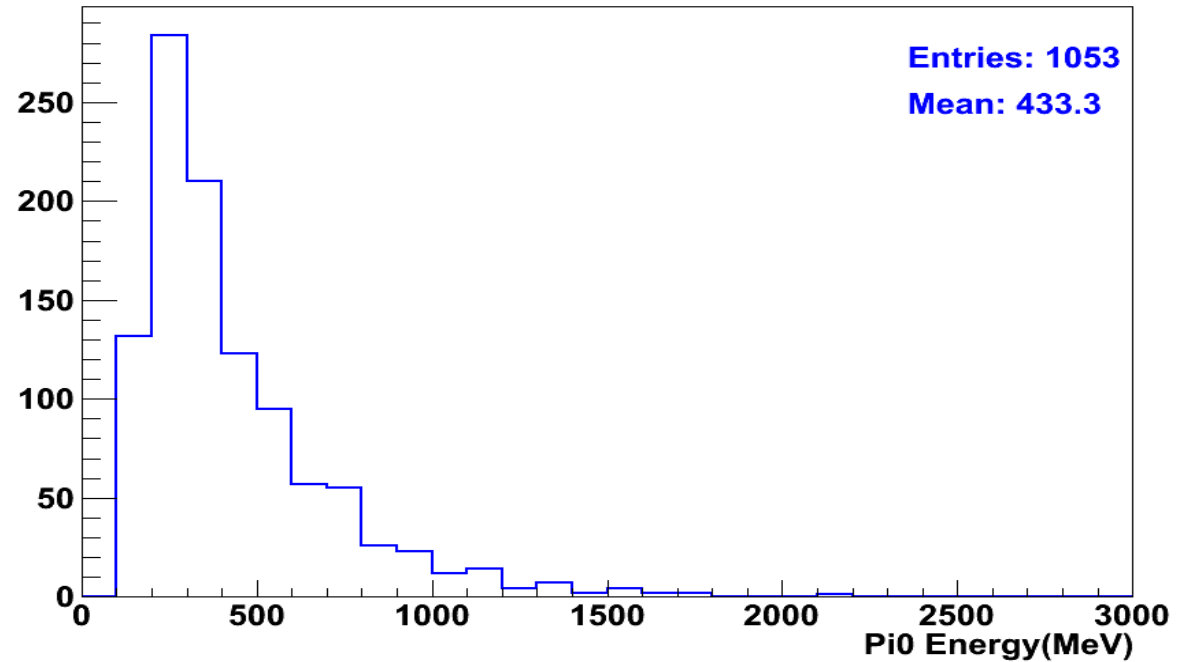
About Pi0 Energy



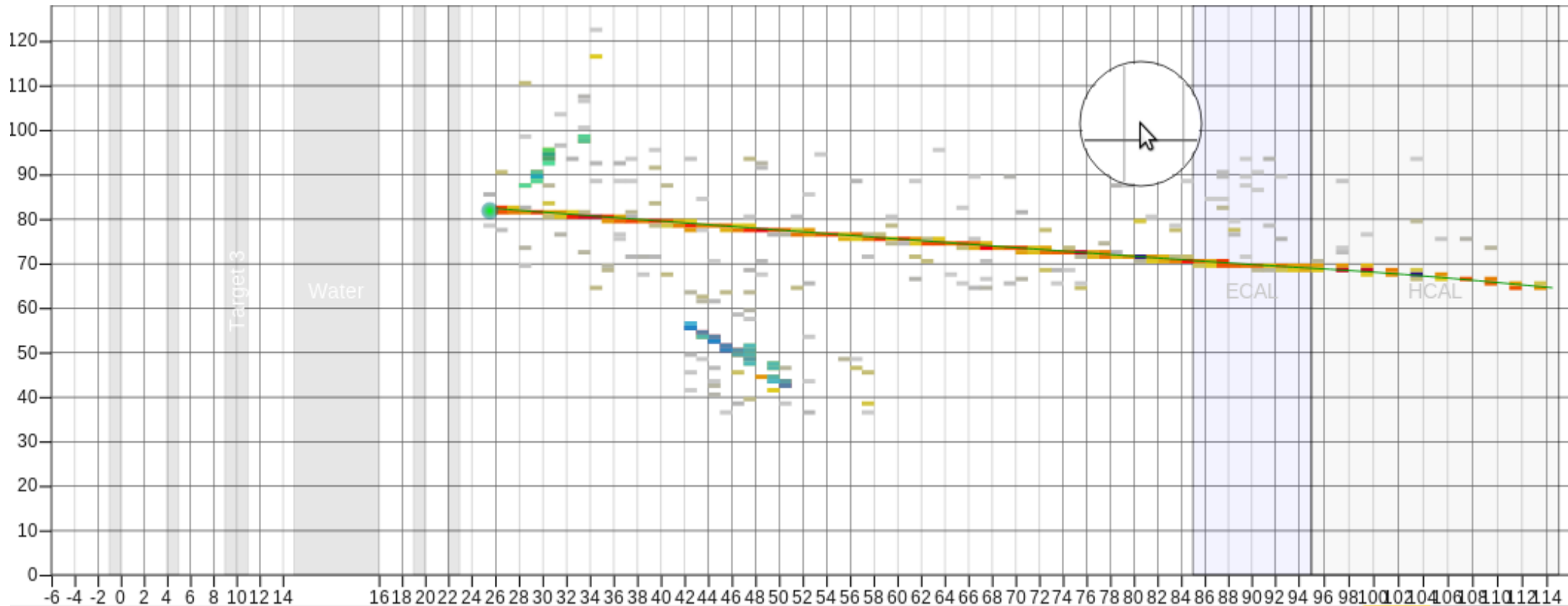
I select on mc data:

- RES channel,
- Charge current
- One Pi0 in the final state.

Pi0 energy distribution has a median value below 1GeV. (Problems with shower gaps).



Goals - Ideas



CC-ResPi0 with Minos match

Shower Purity

Shower

