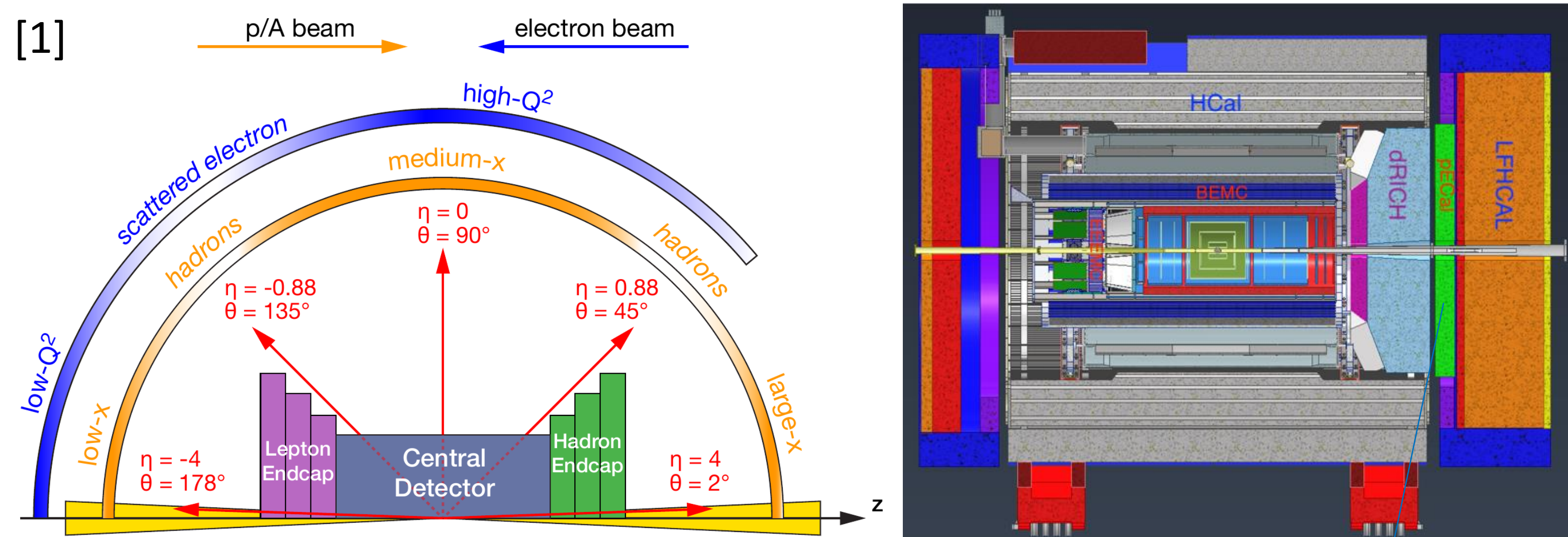


Simulation Results of Proton-Endcap ECal of the ePIC Experiment at Electron-Ion Collider

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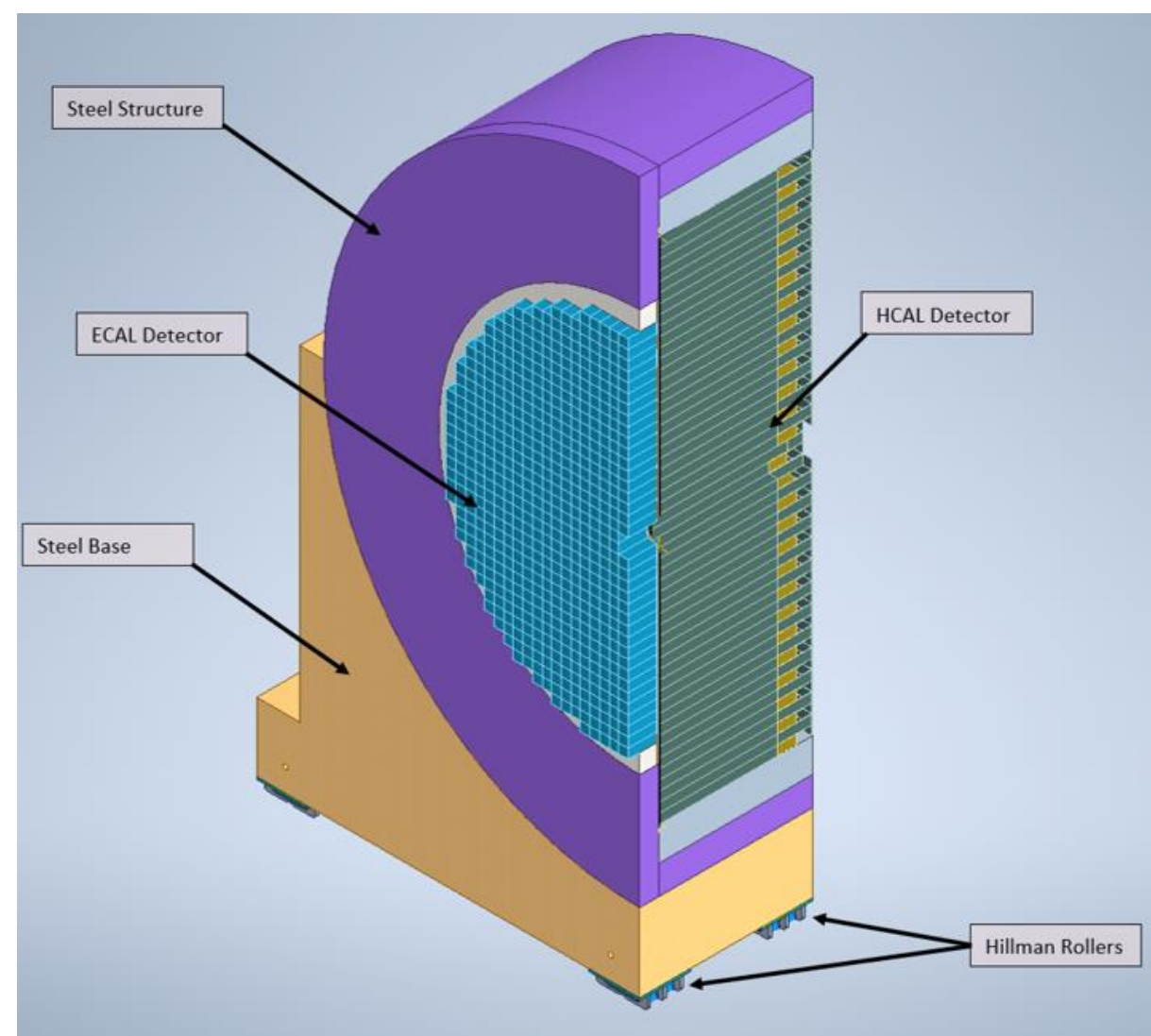
ePIC Detector



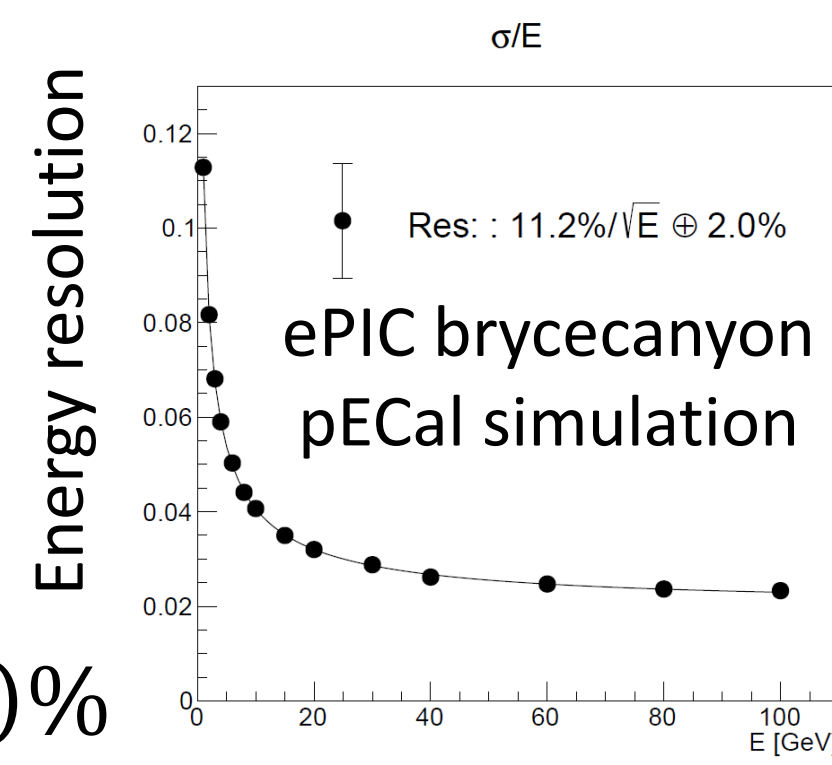
- p/A beam: Forward/positive direction
- Electron beam: Backward/negative direction
- Hadron endcap (W/ScFi pECal): Sampling ECal, good energy resolution
- Lepton endcap (EEMC): Homogeneous ECal, excellent energy resolution

Focus on pECal

pECal Designs [1]

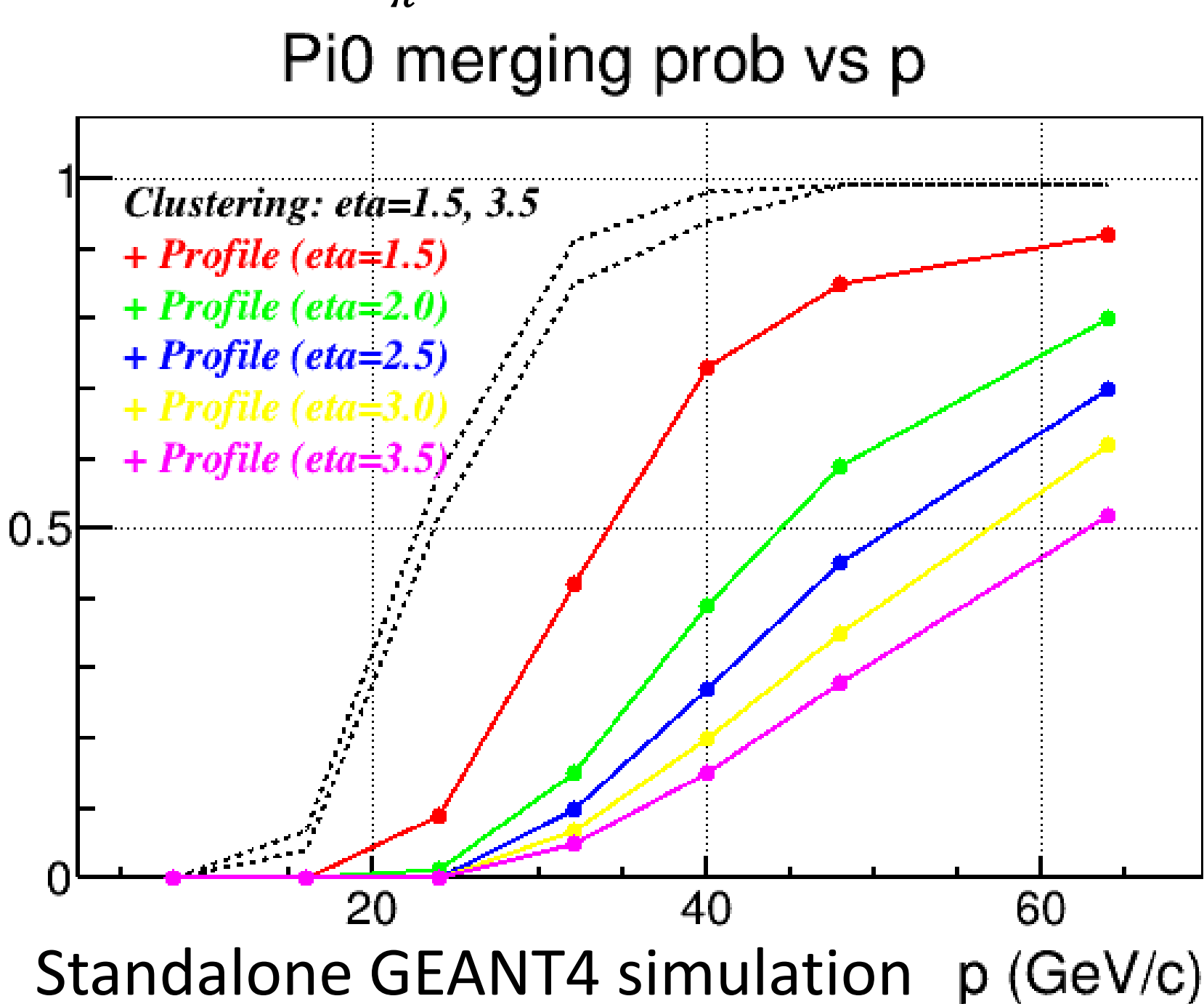
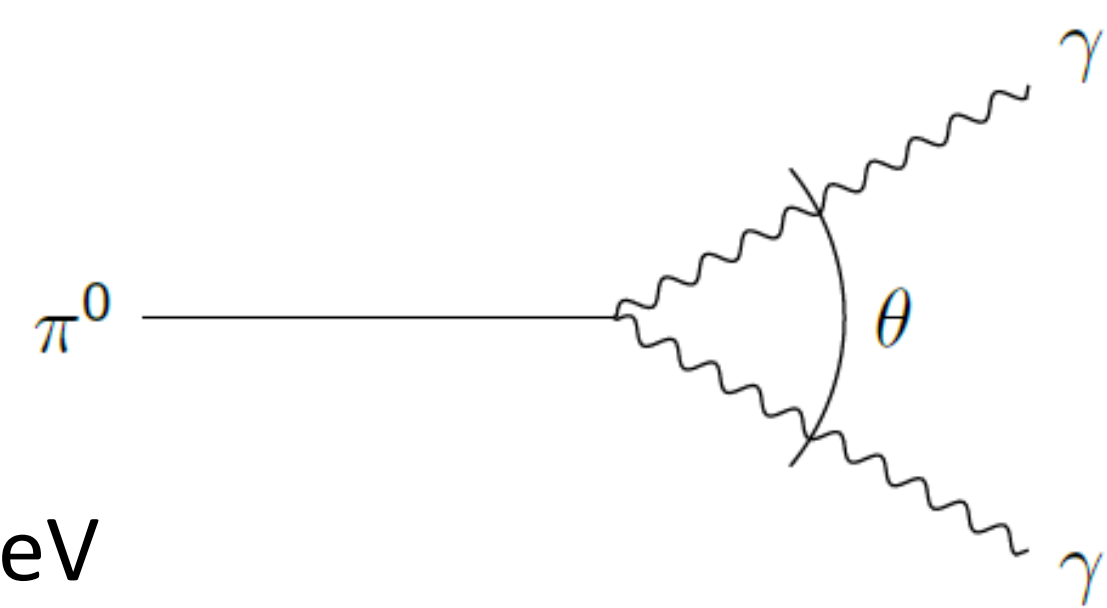


- $1.4 < \eta < 4$
- $14 < R < 173$ cm
- Length = 30 cm
- e/h ratio ~ 1
- $\frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{(10-12)\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus (1-3)\%$
- π^0/γ separation up to ~50 GeV
- Heavy-flavor jet identification



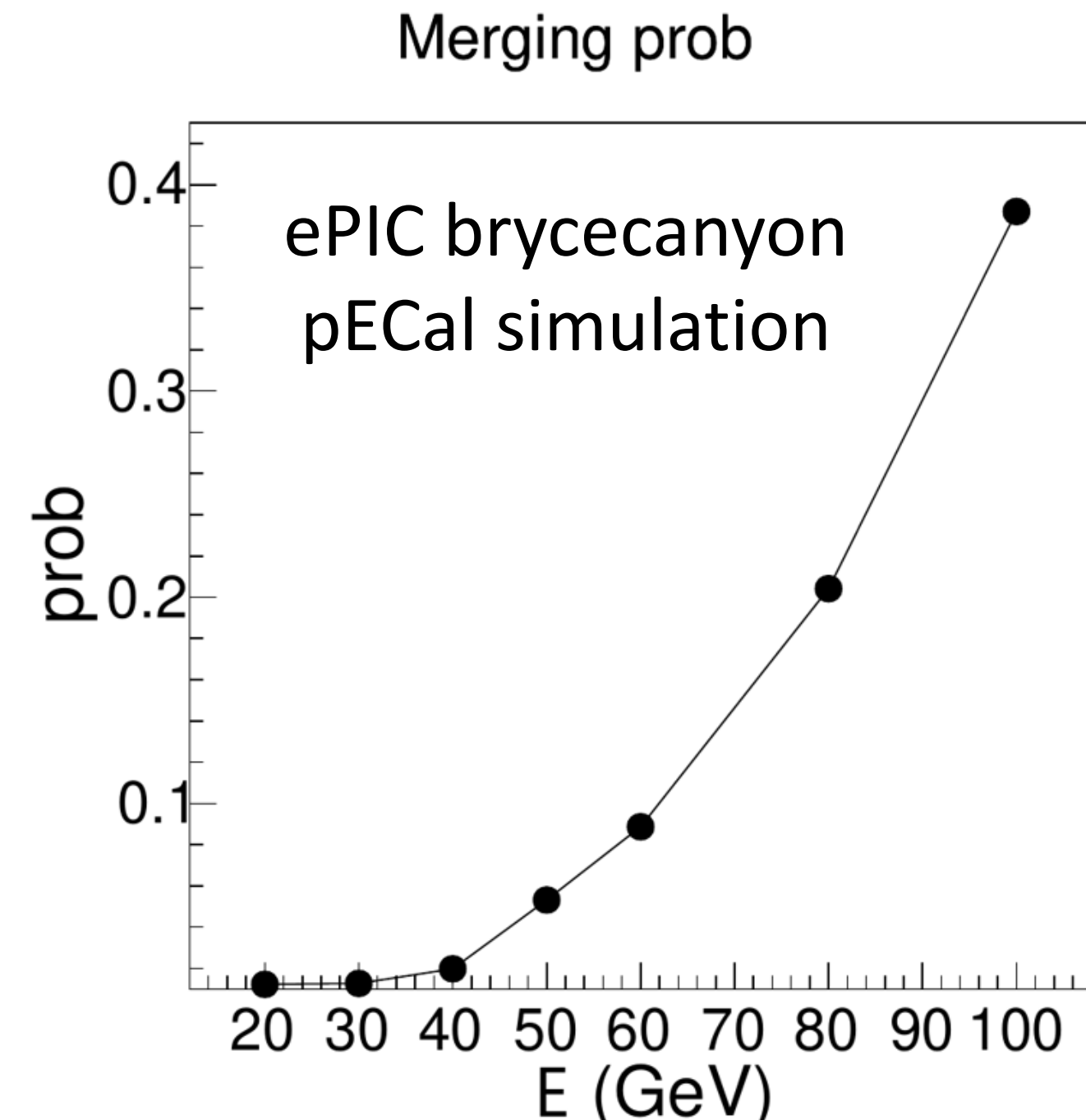
$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Separations

- "Usual" criteria: $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ distinguished if two photons are separated by one tower size
- pECal: Tower size 2.5x2.5 cm at z = 350 cm
- $\theta_{min} = \frac{2m_{\pi^0}}{E_{\pi^0}} = \frac{2.5 \text{ cm}}{350 \text{ cm}} = 0.007 \Rightarrow E_{\pi^0} = 38 \text{ GeV}$



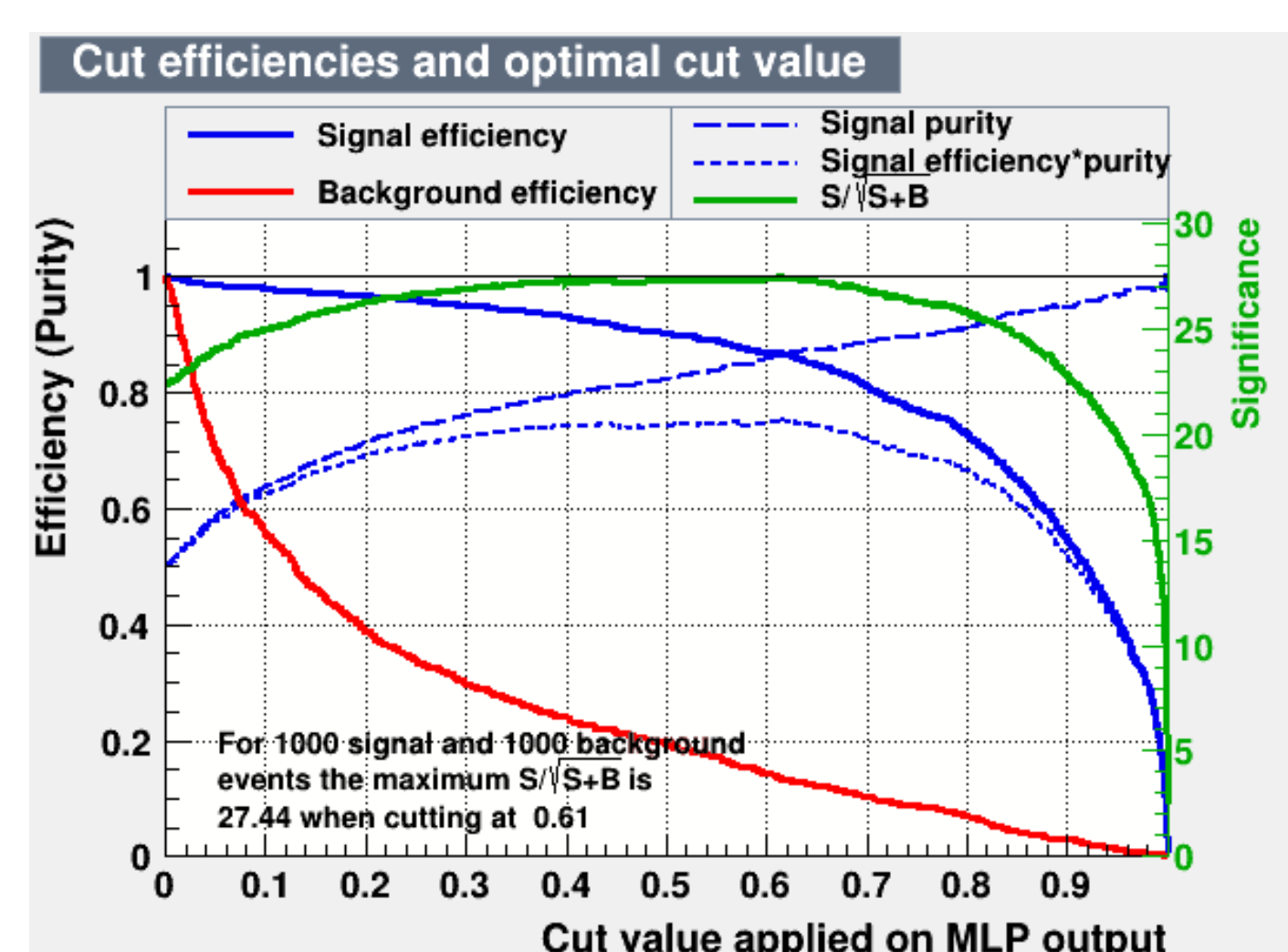
Merging probability [1] (~75% at 60 GeV at $\eta = 2$) from shower profile cut by

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \left(\frac{E_i^{meas} - E_i^{pred}}{\sigma_i} \right)^2$$



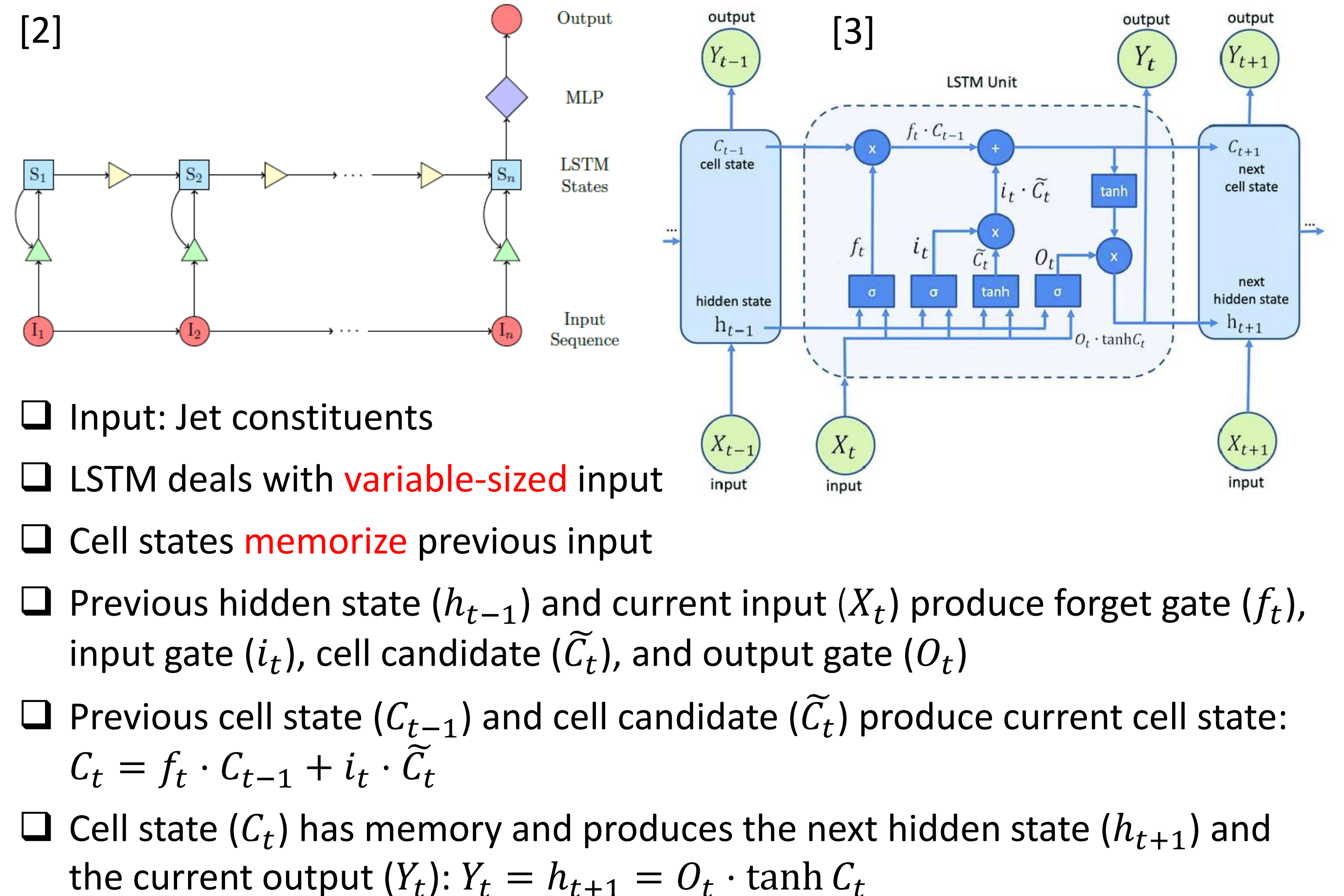
Merging probability (~10% at 60 GeV at $\eta = 2$) from neural network

- Input: 5x5 tower energies
- pECal x and y positions



- MLP with one hidden layer
- NN output: Single cut value
- > cut value: Single γ (signal)
- < cut value: Merged $\gamma\gamma$ (background)
- Optimal cut: $\text{Max } S/\sqrt{S+B}$
- Left figure: $E_\gamma = E_{\pi^0} = 60 \text{ GeV}$

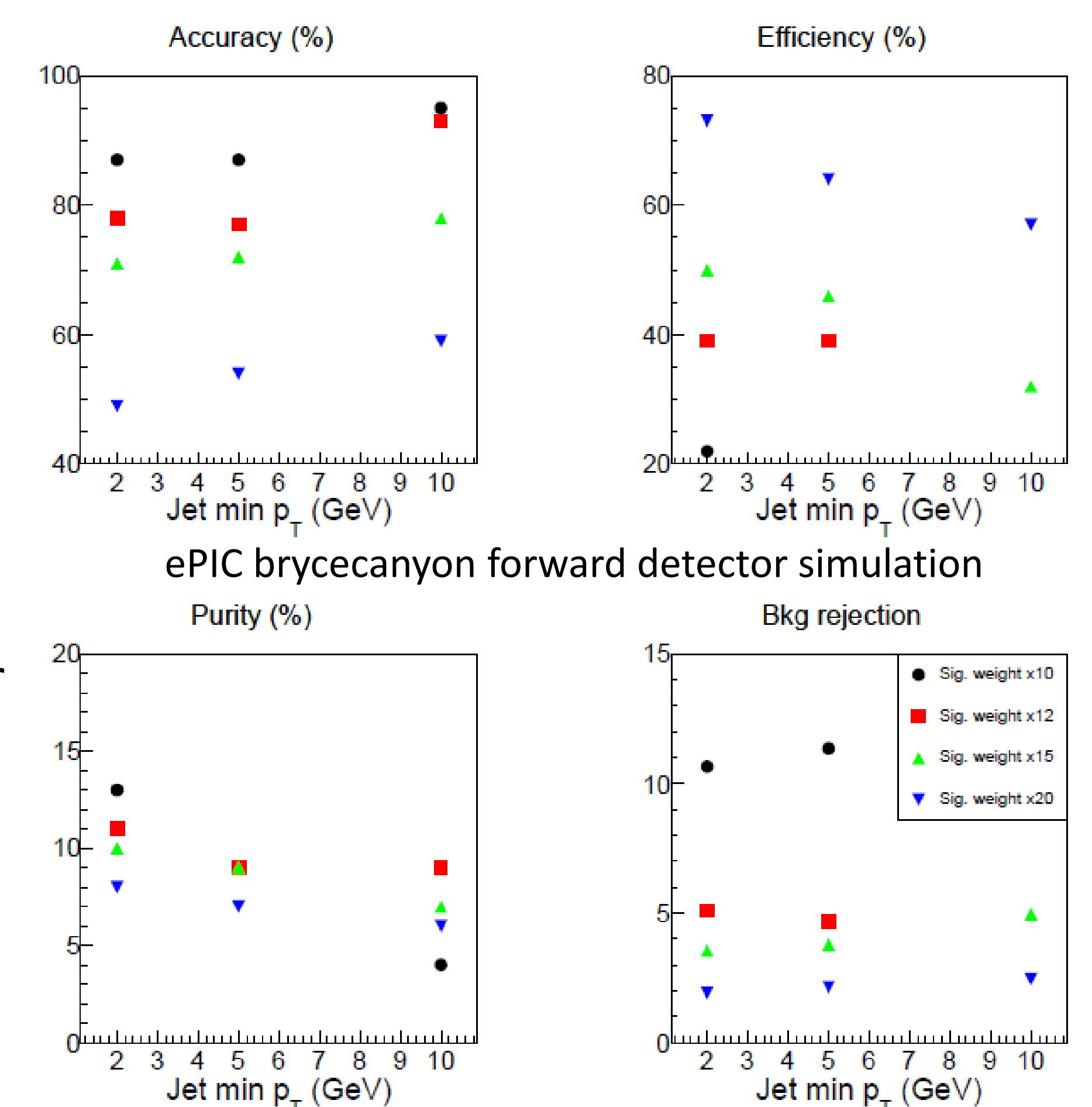
Long Short-Term Memory



- Input: Jet constituents
- LSTM deals with variable-sized input
- Cell states **memorize** previous input
- Previous hidden state (h_{t-1}) and current input (X_t) produce forget gate (f_t), input gate (i_t), cell candidate (\tilde{C}_t), and output gate (O_t)
- Previous cell state (C_{t-1}) and cell candidate (\tilde{C}_t) produce current cell state: $C_t = f_t \cdot C_{t-1} + i_t \cdot \tilde{C}_t$
- Cell state (C_t) has memory and produces the next hidden state (h_{t+1}) and the current output (Y_t): $Y_t = h_{t+1} = O_t \cdot \tanh C_t$

Heavy-Flavor Jet Identifications

- Use LSTM to identify HF jets
- Input: Jet constituents
 - Four momentum
 - Track mom, E/HCal energy
- Pythia DIS events: $e + p \rightarrow q(\text{jet}) + X$, $Q_{min}^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Jet flavor ID: Use the flavor of the hard-scattered quark q for its closest **jet**
- Signal: HF jets; Bkg: LF jets
- $N_{HF} : N_{LF} \approx 1 : 18$
- Large weight on signal (HF)
- Best overall performance: Weight signal by factor 15
- 70% accuracy, 50% efficiency, 10% purity, 4x bkg rejection



Summary and Outlook

- pECal energy resolution meets the yellow report requirement.
- For $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ separations, MLP performs much better than the χ^2 cut based on the shower profile analysis.
- LSTM gives reasonable performance for heavy-flavor jet identifications by using the tracking and forward E/HCal.
- Including vertex and dRICH PID will give better jet ID in the future.

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