

# Exclusive/diffractive/tagging physics analyses in ePIC

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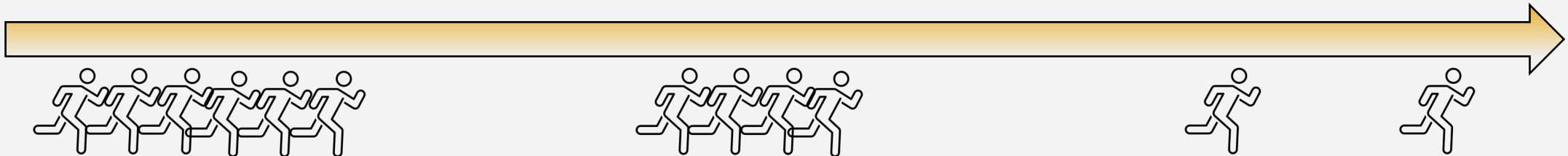
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## Phase 2:

Physics events passed thru  
ePIC software simulation.

## Phase 3:

Physics benchmark made.  
Codes/scripts submitted.



- Kong Tu, BNL

# A diverse group with diverse physics programs

## Rich physics programs:

- EIC White Paper (WP) and Yellow Report (YR) physics topics.
- Physics beyond EIC WP and YR are being developed
- Both ep and eA physics.
- DIS community at high/medium/low energy to high energy heavy-ion physics community.

## MC generators:

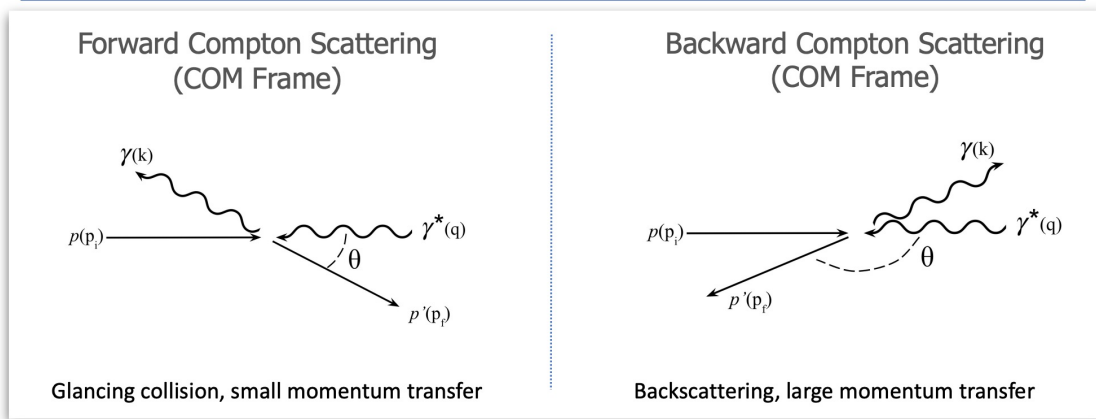
- BeAGLE, DEMP, EIC\_mesonMC, EpIC, eSTARLight, IAger, Sartre, TOPEG, and more.

## Detectors:

- Tracking, Calorimetry, PID, and most uniquely the **Far-Forward detector system**.

# Phase 1 analyses – example 1

## Forward and Backward Compton Scattering

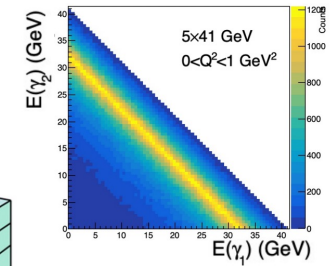
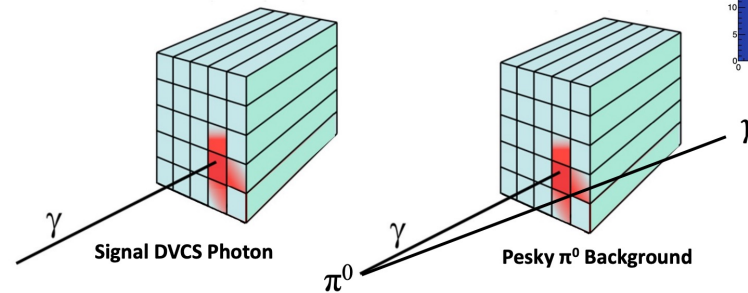


Sensitive to baryon stopping, Transition Distribution Amplitudes, Reggeon exchange, etc. [D. Cebra et al 2022]

## True Cause of $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Background



**Conclusion: the background will be dominated by events in which one of the  $\pi^0$  photons carries most of the energy and the other misses the ZDC entirely. Depending on the high-energy resolution, this may easily be mistaken for backward DVCS. We need full backward  $\pi^0$  simulations.**



Zachary Sweger 2/27/2023

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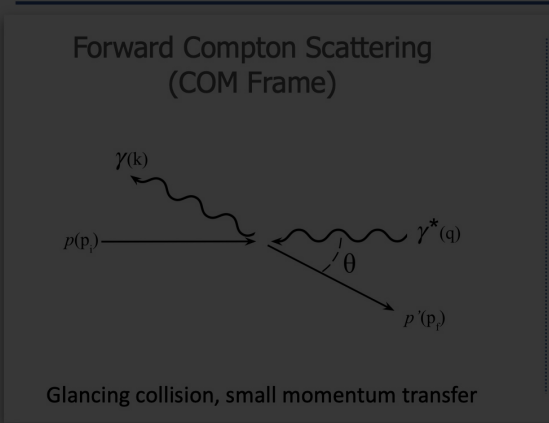
Background dominated by pi0 productions.

Led by Zach Sweger, Spencer Klein, et al.

Updated a few weeks ago with standalone simulation.

# Phase 1 ana

Forward and Backward



Sensitive to baryon stopping  
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[D. Cebra et al 2022]

## Backward $\pi^0$ Simulation Results

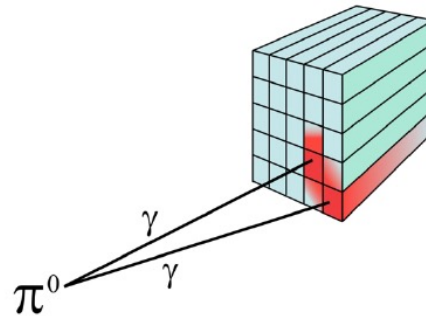
- Remember backward  $\pi^0$  cross section is larger than backward VCS cross section

$\pi^0$  Both Photons in ZDC Acceptance

	5x41	10x100	18x275
$0 < Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	13%	72%	99%
$1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$	11%	69%	98%
$10 < Q^2 < 20 \text{ GeV}^2$	15%	79%	99%

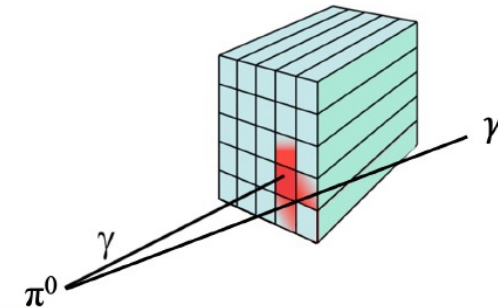
$\pi^0$  Single-Photon in ZDC Rates

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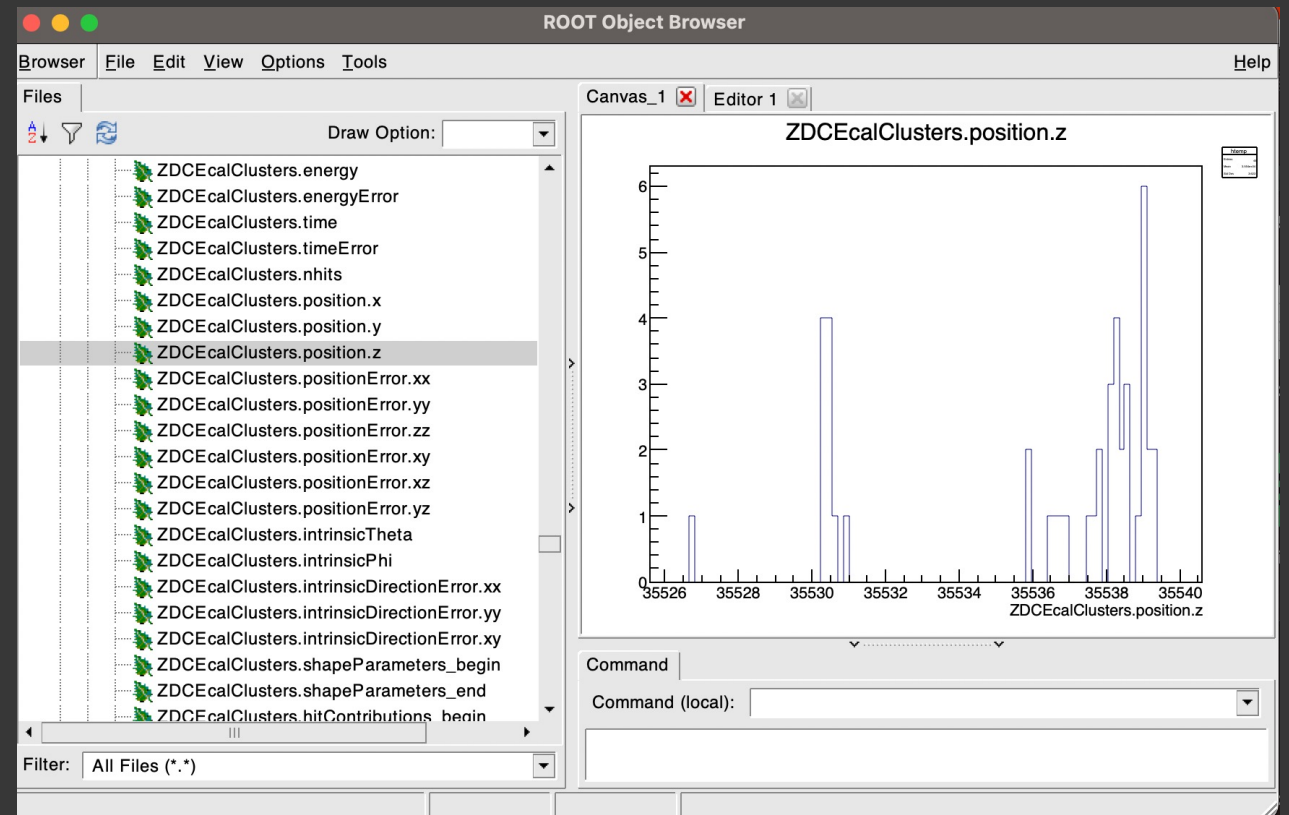
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# Until yesterday... a mini-workfest

One hour later, full simulation results made.



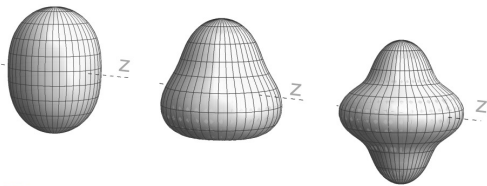
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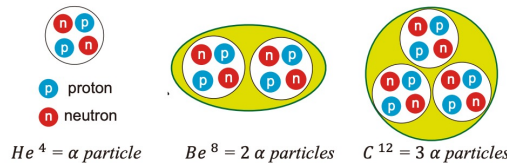
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✓ Understanding the nuclear deformation



✓ Understanding the  $\alpha$  clustering



Can EIC provide additional constraints on nuclear deformation and the  $\alpha$  clustering?

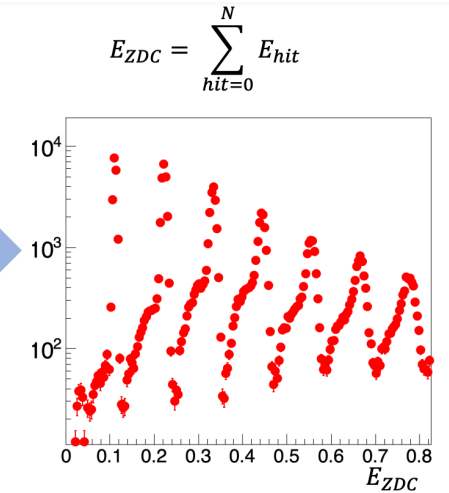
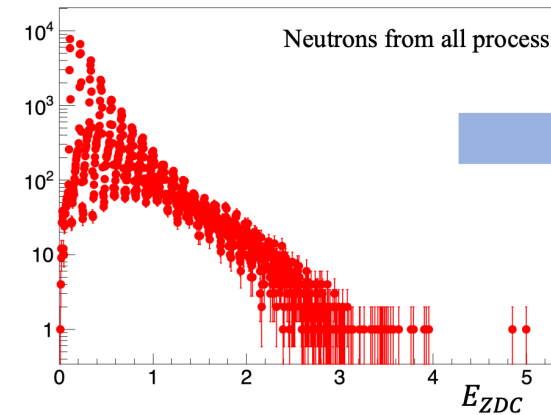


➤ Using the BeAGLE model

✓ Modifying the nucleus information in the model

EIC as a tool for nuclear structure.

## ❖ Neutrons in ZDC in central collisions



- Many peaks from evaporation processes.
- Can evaporation neutrons be used to study centrality?

ZDC can be used for centrality determination

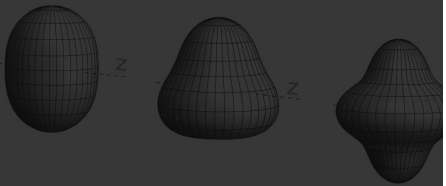
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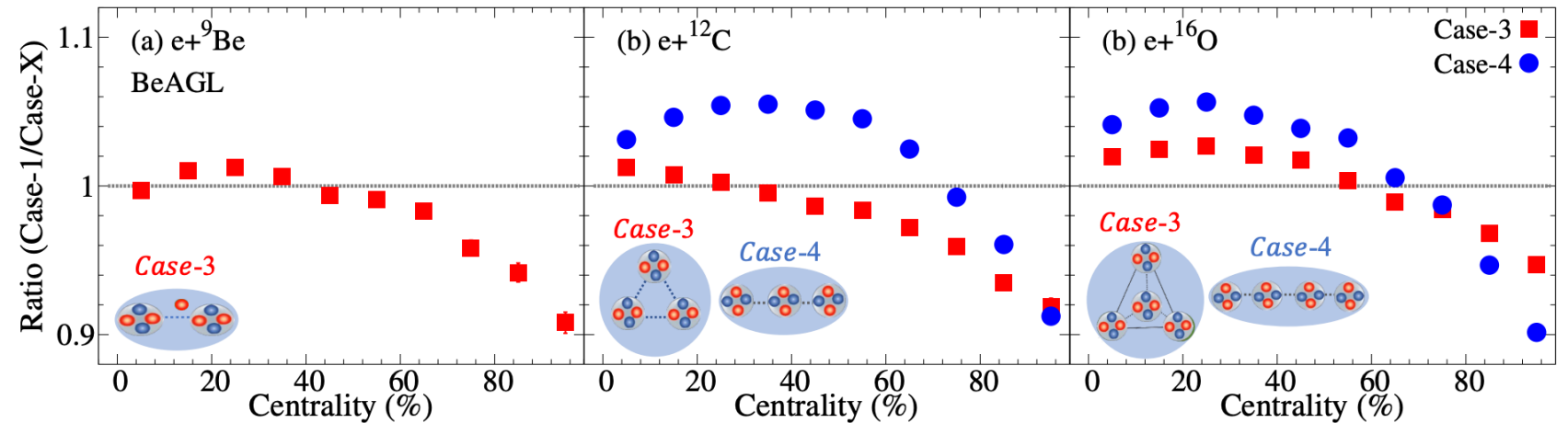
## ❖ The $\alpha$ clustering

### ➤ The system energy/momentum

✓ The  $\langle E \rangle$  and/or  $\langle p \rangle$  measured in the forward detector is related to the impact parameter and the number of collisions

Case-1: Woods-Saxon

Case-3,4: Clustering random orientation



The  $\langle E \rangle$  in  $B_0$  is sensitive to  $\alpha$  clustering in  $Be^9$ ,  $C^{12}$ , and  $O^{16}$

Still in an early state of the initial study

Will need Phase 2 (simulation in ePIC) and Phase 3 (benchmark)

# Other phase 1 analyses

DVCS eHe (G. Penman)

Deuteron incoherent breakup & vetos (M. Kim, A. Jentsch, K. Tu)

DEMP and Lambda polarization (J. Vanek, K. Tu)

XYZ spectroscopy (D. Glazier...)

DVMP in ep (N. Santiesteban and others)

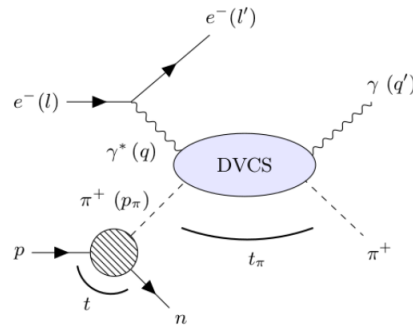
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# Phase 2 analyses – example 1

## Sullivan DVCS

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- Golden channel for GPDs: Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering
- DVCS on the pion, with  $e$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\pi^+$  and  $n$  in the final state



## My simulation setup

- Event generation code provided by Maxime Defurne, based on calculation by Belitsky and Muller.
- GPD model computed with DSE equations by Chavez et al.
- Conversion of ROOT output to a hepmc file.
- Applying the afterburner to rotate proton beam by 25 mrad + smearing.
- Simulation in 23.01.0 with Arches setup
- Reconstruction with Jana2/EICrecon
- 100k Sullivan DVCS events with 275x18 GeV beam configuration.

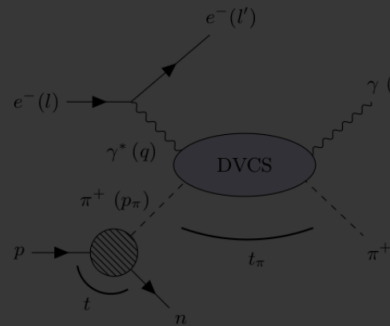
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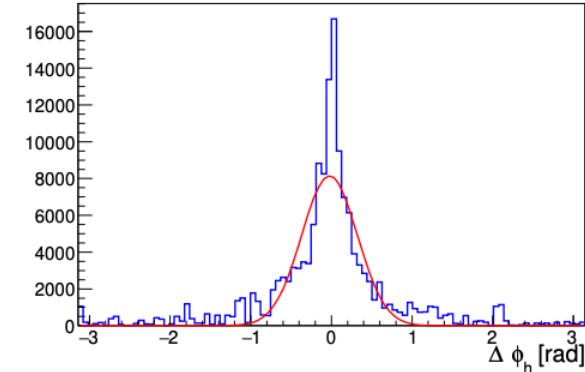
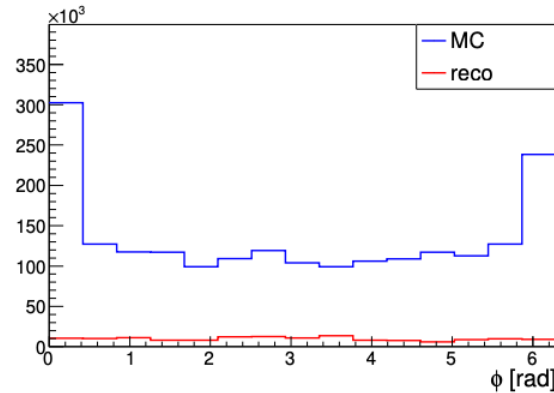
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Olga Bessidskaia Bylund (CEA Saclay) Sullivan DVCS with a proton beam

$\phi$



$\phi$ : angle between leptonic and hadronic plane in the virtual photon-pion cloud CoM. Reconstruction efficiency  $\epsilon = 0.07$ . Resolution from Gaussian fit: 0.34 rad. 15 bins should be ok ( $2\pi/15=0.42$ ).  $\epsilon$  cutflow:

Exclusivity	0.37
$1 \leq Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$	0.32
$\phi \neq \text{nan}$	0.29
$M(N, \pi) > 2 \text{ GeV}$	0.14
$10^{-3} < x_B^\pi < 10^{-2}$	0.07

Follow-up studies are needed with more up-to-date detector configurations

# Phase 2 analyses – example 2

## Vetoing Incoherent Events in ePIC

### Objectives:

**Short term:** Rejection of **Incoherent** processes using ePIC simulation.

**Long Term :** Extending event selection to low Q2 region ( $-3 < \log(Q^2) < -2$ )

### Data:

We used BeAGLE generated events (Produced by Mark), where we started with events where  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ .

Note: This was done so we don't have to worry (for now) about the electron originating from the electron beam.

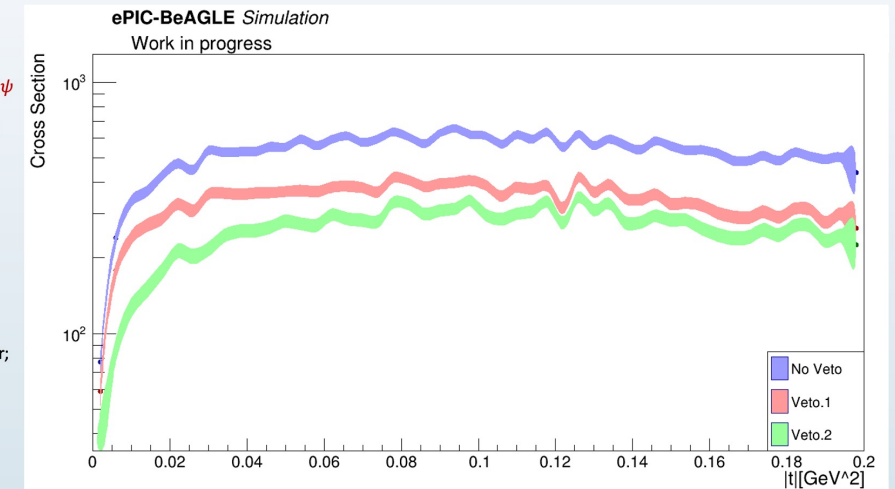
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- Veto.3: Veto.2 and no signal in RP;
- Veto.4: Veto.3 and no signal in OMDs;
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## Initial Results

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- **Unexpected:** Proton signal in RP appear in 100% of the events.

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# Phase 2 analyses – example 2

Vetoing Incoherent Events  
**This study confirms the issue and now is fixed, together with vacuum updates.**

**Current Vetoing Steps:**

- Veto.1: No activity other than  $e^-$  and  $J/\psi (\mu^+\mu^-)$  in the main detector ( $|\eta| < 2.4$ );
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Edit New issue

"MultipoleMagnet rotation issue" may affect far-forward #388

Closed veprbl opened this issue on Mar 9 · 1 comment

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veprbl commented on Mar 9 · edited
Member ⋮

See [AIDASoft/DD4hep#1073](#) and [https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/main/compact/far\\_forward/magnets.xml](https://github.com/eic/epic/blob/main/compact/far_forward/magnets.xml)  
 According to the report [1], there were some effect seen in ATHENA studies.

[1] <https://eic.cloud.mattermost.com/main/pl/hgb66nt59ifuzrmia76bbugqny>

veprbl added the topic: magnets label on Mar 10

veprbl added topic: far-forward topic: far-backward labels on Mar 21

wdconinc commented 2 days ago
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Resolved by [AIDASoft/DD4hep#1080](#) which is backported into our default environment ([https://eicweb.phy.anl.gov/containers/eic\\_container/-/merge\\_requests/585](https://eicweb.phy.anl.gov/containers/eic_container/-/merge_requests/585)).

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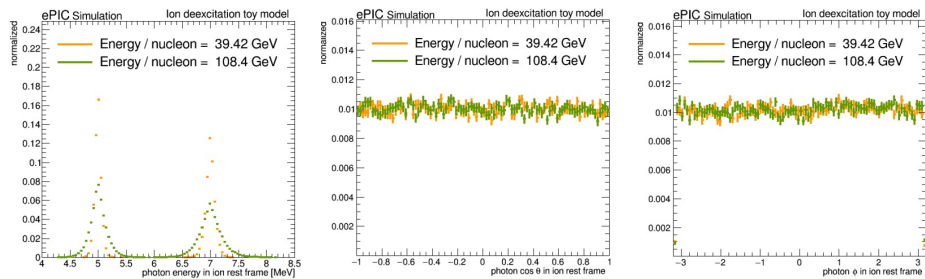
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# Phase 2 analyses – example 3

## Photon spectra

- Photons with two energies were generated: 5 MeV and 7 MeV, with  $P(5\text{MeV}) = P(7\text{MeV}) = 0.5$ . Motivated by the energy range of excited ions in PbPb collisions at the LHC, [Eur. Phys. J. A\(2021\)](#)
- Two hadron beam energies were considered<sup>1</sup>: 108 and 39.4 GeV/n



<sup>1</sup>Limited range constrained by the [Afterburner](#), discussed here: <https://github.com/eic/afterburner/issues/5>  
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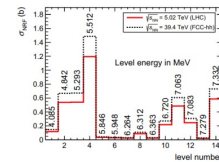
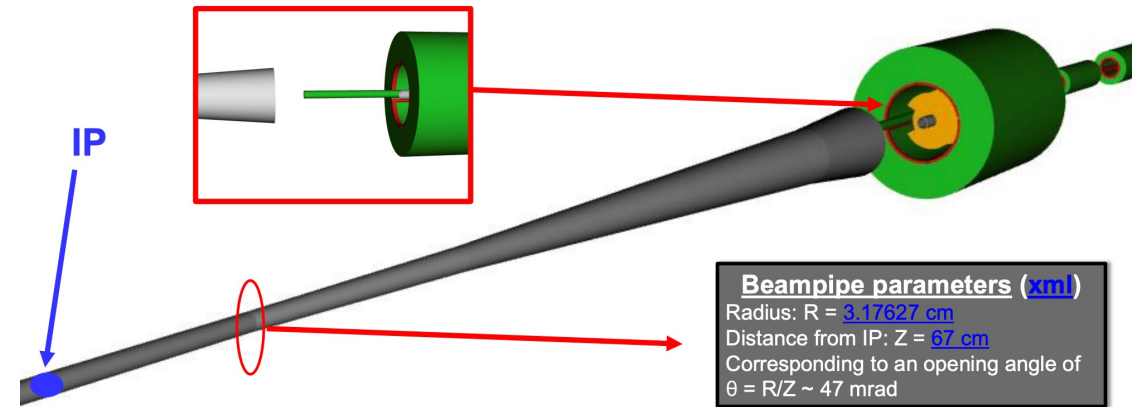


Fig. 2 NRF cross sections for ultraperipheral  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ - $^{208}\text{Pb}$  collisions at the LHC and FCC-eh, respectively, at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$  (solid histogram) and at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39.4 \text{ TeV}$  (dashed histogram)

## ePIC detector geometry

- Photons up to  $\sim 15 \text{ mrad}$  don't cross the beampipe resulting in high acceptance in B0 detector.



**Beampipe parameters (xml)**  
 Radius:  $R = 3.17627 \text{ cm}$   
 Distance from IP:  $Z = 67 \text{ cm}$   
 Corresponding to an opening angle of  $\theta = R/Z \sim 47 \text{ mrad}$

Study of low energy photons detected by B0 and ZDC with simulation **privately produced**

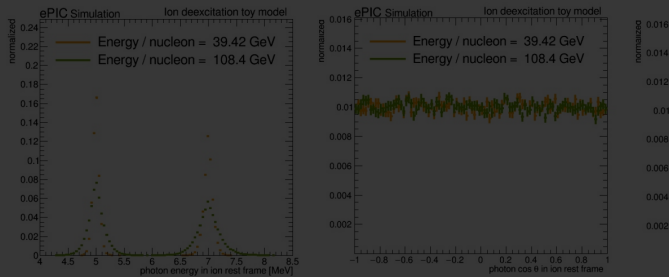
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# Phase 2 analysis

## A good detector benchmark candidate

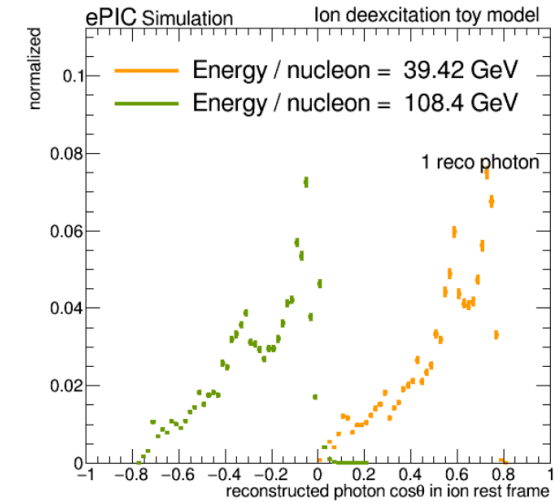
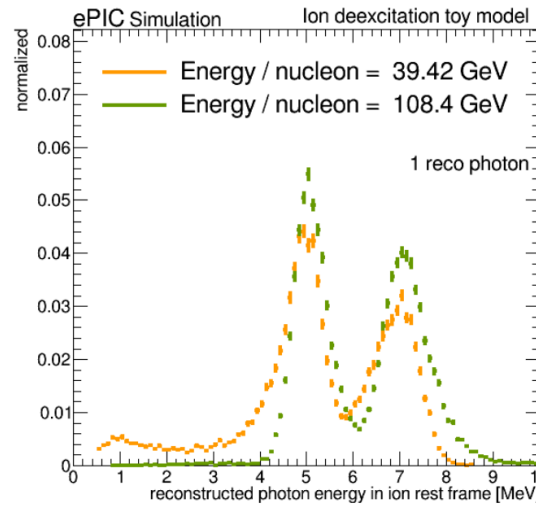
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# Simulation results

- Photons are reconstructed from the calibrated B0ECAL clusters.
  - Energy reconstruction – good separation for the toy model ( $\Delta E = 2$  MeV)
  - Angular reconstruction – large bias due to geometrical acceptance and resolution



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$\gamma$ energy in A rest frame	Within B0 acceptance	B0 acceptance + At least one cluster in B0 with $E > 50$ MeV
5 MeV	40%	33%
7 MeV	40%	33%

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$\gamma$ energy in A rest frame	Within ZDC acceptance	ZDC acceptance + Signal in ZDC above 0
5 MeV	60%	<1%
7 MeV	60%	<1%

## Phase 2 analyses

**ePIC simulation production samples** exist, but no analysis updates reported yet.

Upsilon 3 states separation (M. Kim, S. Klein)

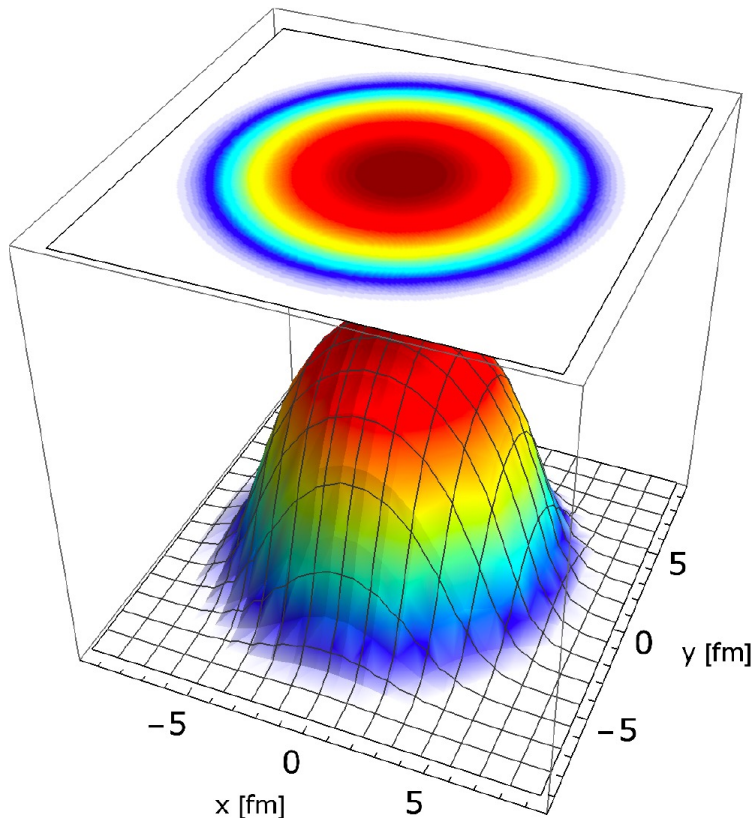
TCS (D. Sokhan, K. Gates)

DVCS (S. Fazio, I. Korover, G. Penman)

DEMP on pion/kaon structure (S. Kay, G. Huber)

**Will be followed up.**

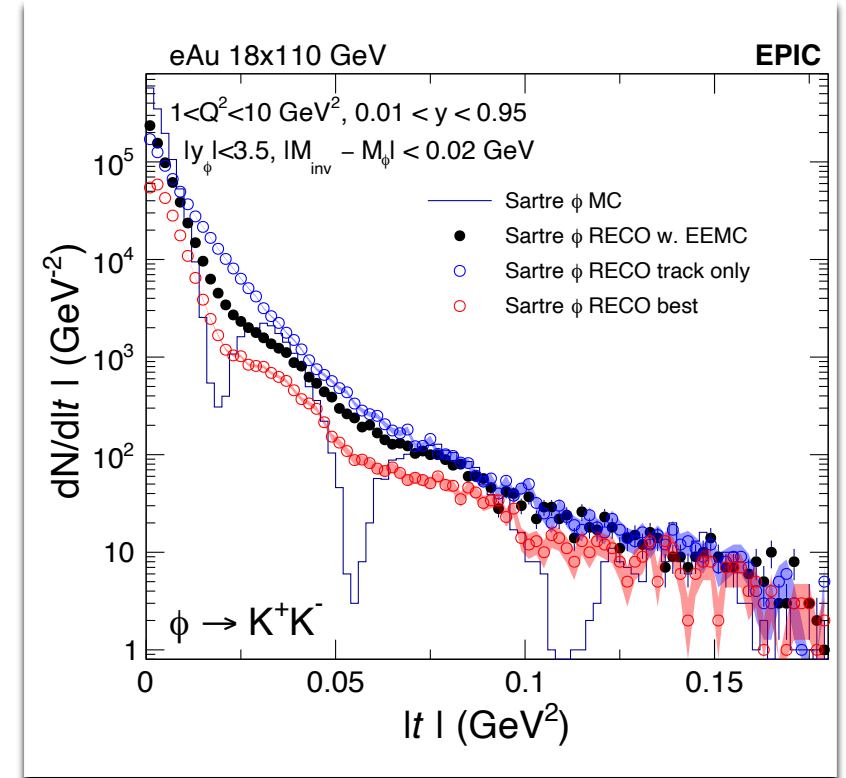
# Phase 3 analyses – only 1 so far



Made by A. Kumar (IIT, Delhi)

Momentum to Position:  
(Fourier Transform)

$$\vec{b}_{T,gluon} \leftrightarrow \vec{p}_{gluon}$$



**Resolution and FF detector acceptances to veto incoherent are the keys to this measurement**



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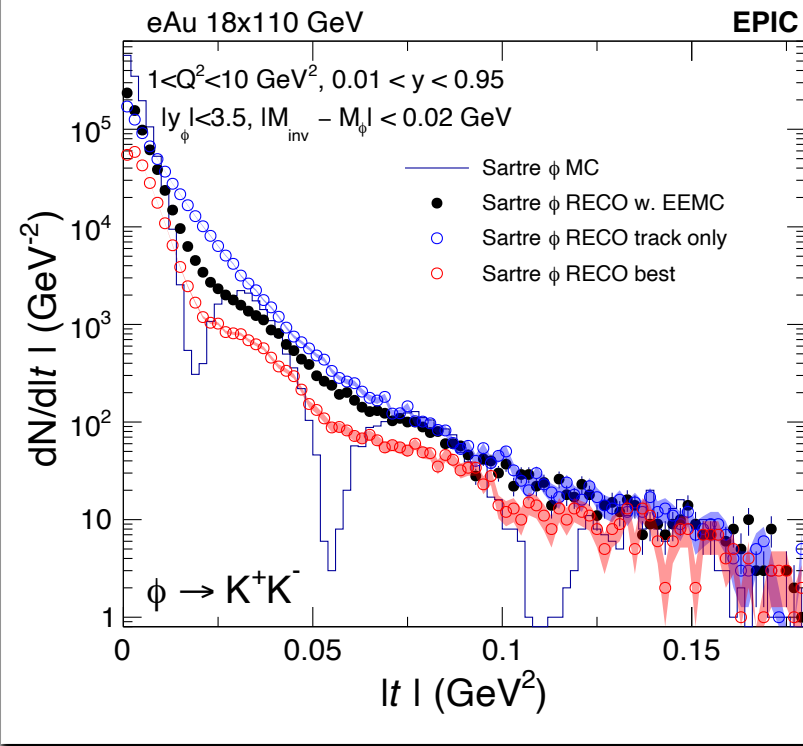
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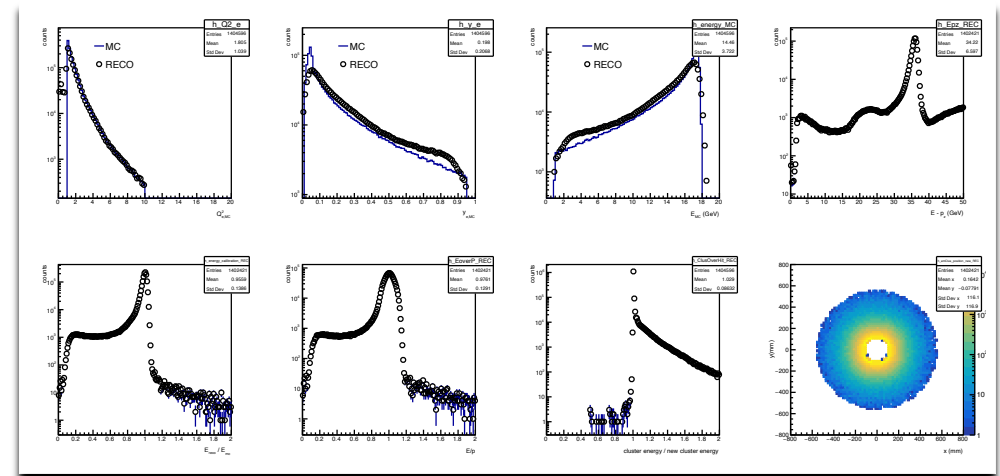
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Default event and track selections to be baseline: Phase space selections: $2 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ , $0.01 < y < 0.085$ leading clus. within 70mm of leading hit, energy calibration 4.5% $150\text{mm} < \text{cluster radius} < 550\text{mm}$ , $0.8 < E/p (e) < 1.18$ default source code <a href="#">here</a>		DIS event elections and VM	$27 < E-pz < 40 \text{ GeV}$ , $0.8 < E/p (e) < 1.18$ $ y_{VM}  < 3.5$ , $ \eta_{\text{daug}}  < 3.0$ "best" = average of track only and EMCal+tracker result
Reconstructed results on -t			

Vector-Meson	Break-up mode
Phi	Coherent
Jpsi	Incoherent
Rho	



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# Phase 3 analyses – only 1 exists

Benchmark scripts submitted to Production WG for the July Campaign and future campaigns.

<https://github.com/KongTu/ElCreconOutputReader/tree/benchmark-july-2023>

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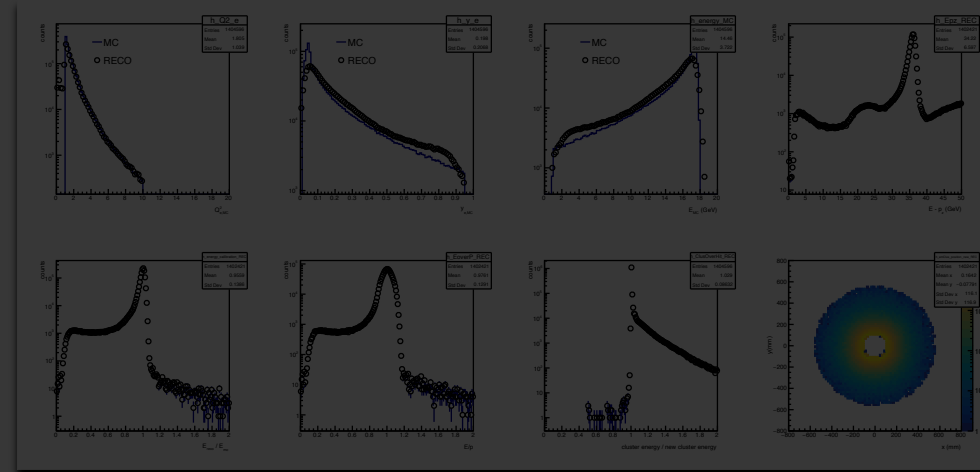
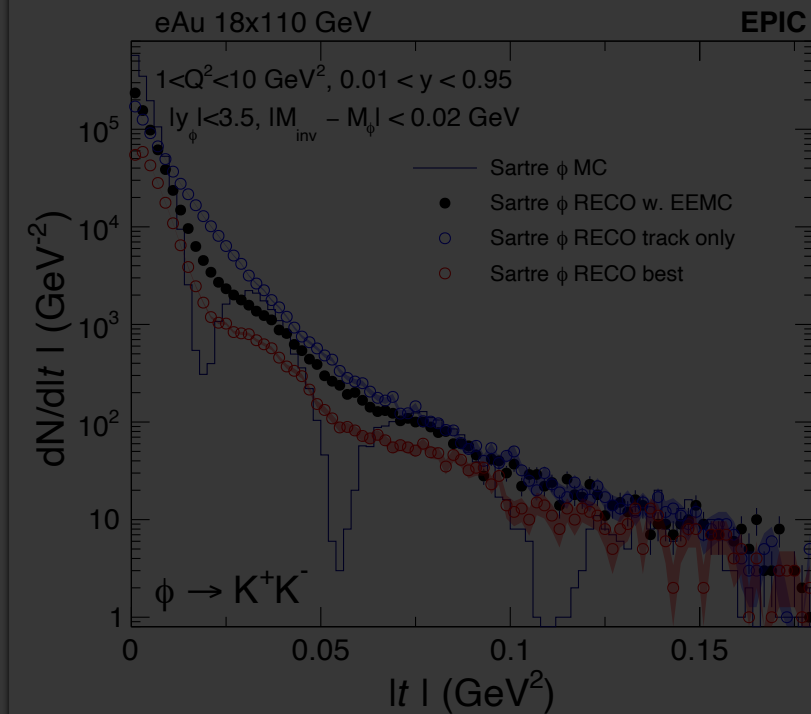
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- Many analyses are in Phase 1 & 2.
  - The primary goal is to **move analyses to a later phase and the `benchmark` results can be easily/quickly checked to facilitate the detector developments and towards TDR.**
  - New physics analyses are also encouraged, but highly suggested to go thru Phase 1-3.

- Exclusive/Diffractive/Tagging meeting biweekly (Monday Noon EST)
- eA study group meet up weekly (Tuesday 1pm EST)
- Workfest soon(?) for exclusive physics.