# Neutral pion identification at Future Circular Collider

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## FCC

100 km collider at CERN following up on HL-LHC 2 stages:

**FCC-ee:** e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider (2040)

- 88-365 GeV, multiple runs
- EW sector + Higgs & t
  - Vector boson mass & decay width,  $A_{FB}$ ,  $\alpha_s(M_z)$ , couplings

	Working point	Tot. lum./year $[ab^{-1}/year]$	Run [years]	Goal $[ab^{-1}]$
	Z pole (88-94 GeV)	24	2	150
ſ	Z pole (88-94 GeV)	48	2	
	$\frac{WW \text{ threshold}}{(\sim 161 \text{ GeV})}$	6	1-2	10
	ZH threshold (~ 240 GeV)	1.7	3	5
	$t\bar{t}$ threshold (340-350 GeV)	0.20	1	0.2
	$t\bar{t}$ threshold (~ 365 GeV)	0.34	4	1.5

**FCC-hh**: pp collider with max. CMS energy of 100 TeV



### Proposed detectors for FCC-ee



A. Abada et. al. FCC-ee: The Lepton Collider. The European Physical Journal Special Topics, 228:261-623, 201

#### **CLD** – CLIC-Like Detector

- Pixel vertex detector + Si tracker
- ECAL: Si-W sampling calorimeter
- HCAL: Polystyrene scintillator



#### **IDEA** – Innovative Detector for Electron-Positron Accelerators

- Pixel vertex detector + wire chamber
- MPGD & lead layers
- CALO: Dual-readout design with Cherenkov & scintillators

## FCC-ee noble liquid calorimetry

Modified IDEA design - LAr+lead sampling ECAL calorimeter & HCAL calorimeter with scintillating tiles

- Advantages: good energy resolution, uniform response
- LAr calorimeter projected also for FCC-hh due to radiation hardness



ATLAS TileCal-like sampling calorimeter with scintillating tiles & steel absorbers

LAr sampling calorimeter with lead absorbers



M. Aleksa. Noble Liquid Calorimetry: Input proposals in Track 2. Presented at: ECFA Detector RD Roadmap Task Force 6: 2nd Calorimetry Community Meeting, [online]: <u>https://indico.cern.ch/event/1246381</u>

## Neutral pion decay

 $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  with BR = 0.98823 ± 0.00034 Important decay product

• Decays of τ, Z & hadrons

γγ decay angle very small in LAB frame & most decays clustered around  $α_{min}$ 

Problem: easy to misidentify as a single photon in a detector



## Data & simulated environment

Geant4 - 100 000  $\pi^0$  and  $\gamma$ 

- E = [0; 100] GeV
- Uniform  $\varphi$ ,  $\vartheta$  and *E* distribution
- Threshold for shower particles = 0.05 GeV

Calorimetric environment – Barrel LAr sampling calorimeter in DD4HEP

- Granularity  $\Delta \vartheta \times \Delta \varphi = 0.57^{\circ} \times 0.47^{\circ}$  vs.  $\Delta \vartheta \times \Delta \varphi = 0.14^{\circ} \times 0.47^{\circ}$  (strip layer motivation)
- 12 radial layers

Final state – clustering information & cells (position, index, deposited E)

Task: identify neutral pions against photon background & evaluate the impact of high hranularity on identification efficiency

## Clustering

Sliding window

- $N_{\eta} \times N_{\varphi} = 9x17$  cluster (e- optimalization) for  $E > E_{cut}$
- Low number of clusters per event

Topological clustering – cluster growing from seed cells with significance above a cut  $\xi_{cell} = \left| \frac{E_{cell}}{\sigma_{cell}^{noise}} \right| \ge S$ 

- Large number of clusters per event with irregular shape
- S = 4



## Pion identification using clusters?

Ineffective (sliding window algorithm unoptimized for  $\pi^0$ ) Sliding window – identify two-cluster events with  $m = m_{\pi}$ 

- Rapid drop-off beyond *E* = 10 GeV
- Cluster merging due to overlapping electromagnetic showers





## Multivariate analysis

Characterize events by a set of discriminating variables

Classify events into signal (S) or background (B) with ROC curve as a function of  $r_B$  against  $\varepsilon_S$ 

TMVA ROOT, methods used:

- Rectangular cuts transparent, resistant to overtraining
- Boosted Decision Trees better performance







R. Quagliani. Study of Double Charm B Decays with the LHCb Experiment at CERN and Track Reconstruction for the LHCb Upgrade. First edition. Springer Cham, 2018.

[online]: https://amva4newphysics.wordpress.com

## **Discriminating variables**

Obtained from energy deposition in cells

- Longitudinal profile  $E_{max}$ ,  $E_{2max}$ ,  $E_{iT}$ ,  $E_{i1}$ ...
- Transversal profile  $E_{ocore}$ ,  $W_{33}$



### Cuts

Genetic Algorithm sampling of solutions

Parameters

Efficiency calculated for  $r_B = 0.8$ Maximum at E = 20 GeV

- Drop in efficiency below 20 GeV
- Visibly better performance for HG

Eliminate the (counterintuitive) dropping below 20 GeV & raise performance – move on to BDT 
 PopSize
 800

 Steps
 40

 Cycles
 5



## **BDT** parameter optimization

Maximize AUROC + check Kolmogoroff-Smirnoff test

Default values found for high granularity - due to overtraining, values for low granularity were lowered



	Higher granularity	Lower granularity
NTrees	250	200
AdaBoostBeta	0.5	0.5
MinNodeSize	$1.5 \ \%$	$1.5 \ \%$
MaxDepth	3	2

#### **BDT** results

• Higher efficiency – success, but still rapid descend below 20 GeV



## Low-energy efficiency correction

 $m_{cc}$  variable – invariant mass of the two topoclusters with highest E deposit

• Displayed very good separation at low E



#### **Results comparison**

The efficiency at low energies remains high at approx. 0.9, drop-off eliminated



Results obtained using Boosted Decision Trees

Results obtained using Boosted Decision Trees with  $m_{cc}$ 

## In closing

Using MVA methods we obtained good  $\pi^0$  discrimination against single  $\gamma$  background

By combining cell information with topological clustering we eliminated the drop in  $\varepsilon_s$  at low E

Demonstrated the importance of high granularity strip layer – instrumental for resolution of highly collimated decay products

#### How to follow up?

- Cluster merging & optimization
- More realistic simulated environment (varying granularity across layers)
- More advanced MVA methods (CNN)
- Improving the high energy regime

# Thank you for your attention

## Discriminating variable definition

- *E<sub>max</sub>* The energy contained in a cell with the largest energy deposit in the second layer of the calorimeter
- $E_{2max}$  The second largest energy deposit in the second layer of the calorimeter
- **E**<sub>ocore</sub> Energy deposited in cells surrounding the shower centre defined as

 $E_{ocore} = \frac{E(3) - E(1)}{E(1)}$ 

 $W_{nl} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} E_i \times \Delta R^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} E_i}$ 

where E(n) is the total energy deposited in  $\pm n$  cells surrounding the cell with the highest energy deposit

- $E_n$  The sum of energy contained in the first *n* layers of the calorimeter
- E<sub>i1</sub> Energy deposited in the *ith* layer of the calorimeter divided by energy deposited in the first layer
- *E<sub>iT</sub>* Energy deposited in the *ith* layer of the calorimeter divided by the total energy deposited in the calorimeter
- *W<sub>nl</sub>* Variable determining shower width in a calorimeter layer *l*, defined as a normalized sum of energy over ±*n* cells in the η coordinate and ±1 cells in φ, weighted by the distance in the η × φ space

where  $\Delta R$  is defined as  $\Delta R^2 = (\eta - \eta_{max})^2 + (\phi - \phi_{max})^2$ 

Table 1 Summary table of the expected energy resolution for the different technologies. The values are measurements where available, otherwise obtained from simulation. Those values marked with "?" are estimates since neither measurement nor simulation exists

Detect or technology (ECAL & HCAL)	E.m. energy res. stochastic term	E.m. energy res. constant term	ECAL & HCAL had. energy reso- lution (stoch. term for single had.)	ECAL & HCAL had. energy reso- lution (for 50 GeV jets)	Ultimate hadronic energy res. incl. PFlow (for 50 GeV jets)
Highly granular Si/W based ECAL & Scintillator based HCAL	15 – 17 % [ <mark>12, 20</mark> ]	1 % [12, 20]	45 – 50 % [20,45]	≈6%?	4 % [ <mark>20</mark> ]
Highly granular Noble liquid based ECAL & Scintillator based HCAL	8-10 % [24,27,46]	< 1% [24,27,47]	pprox 40 % [27,28]	pprox 6% ?	3-4%?
Dual-readout Fibre calorimeter	11 % [48]	< 1 % [48]	pprox 30 % [48]	4–5% [49]	3-4%?
Hybrid crystal and Dual-readout calorimeter	3 % [30]	< 1% [30]	pprox 26 % [30]	5-6% [30,50]	3-4% [50]