

# The role of Time Advancing LHCb ECAL Upgrade II Clustering

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## 1. Actual ECAL besides the future Upgrade II

- Purpose: Efficient reconstruction of photons, precise measurement of photon energy and position, and particle identification, especially electrons.
- Features: Scintillating sampling calorimeter providing good energy resolution and stable performance [1].
- Geometry: The actual ECAL Consists of modules with varying cell sizes (4x4 cm<sup>2</sup>, 6x6 cm<sup>2</sup>, 12x12 cm<sup>2</sup>).
- Energy Resolution:  $\sigma(E)/E = 10\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 1\%$ , achieving about 9 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> for  $\pi^0$  mass resolution [1].

### Motivation for the upgrade

- Increased Luminosity: To handle up to  $1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , requiring major redesign.
- Radiation Damage: Current modules suffer performance degradation under high radiation, necessitating replacement and improvement (LHCb-TDR-024).

### Energy Collection

- Mechanism: The current ECAL collects energy through a shashlik structure with alternating scintillator tiles and lead absorber layers.
- Readout: Scintillation light is read by photomultipliers (PMTs).
- Reconstruction: Energy is digitized with a 12-bit precision, converted to MeV, and transverse energy is computed based on angular position.

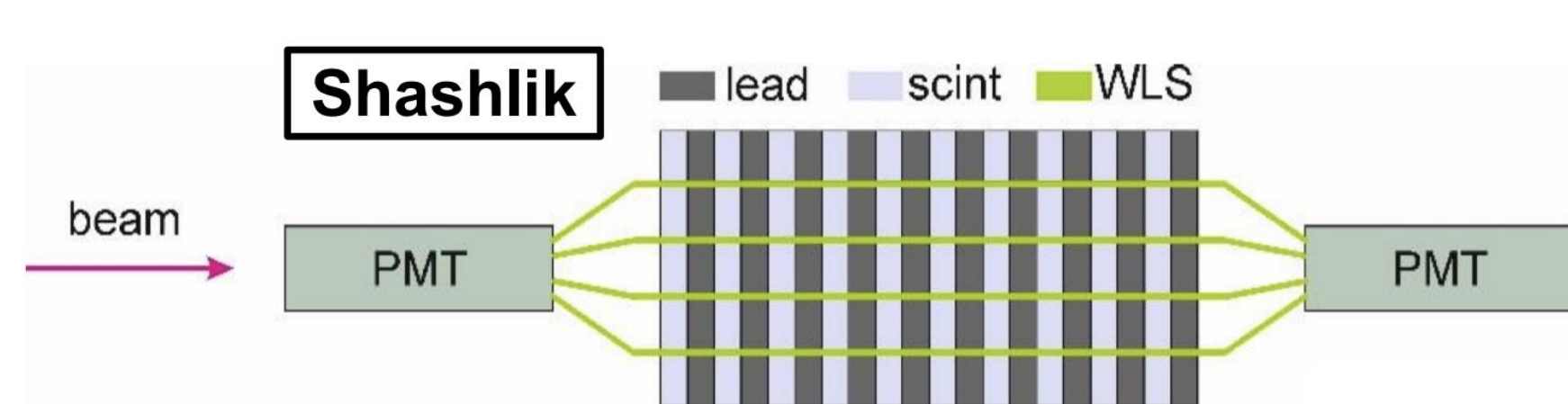


Figure 4: New PicoCal cells, Shashlik and SpaCal

### Actual methods and hardware

- New Modules: Implementation of SpaCal technology with tungsten and lead absorbers.
- Cell Sizes: Introduction of smaller cells (1.5x1.5cm<sup>2</sup>, 3x3 cm<sup>2</sup>) for better granularity, covering regions with high photon and neutral pion production.

### Proposition of cells

- Measurement Capabilities: New cells will measure both energy and time, improving the overall performance of the ECAL.
- Improved Radiation Tolerance: New SpaCal modules offer better resistance to radiation damage [2].

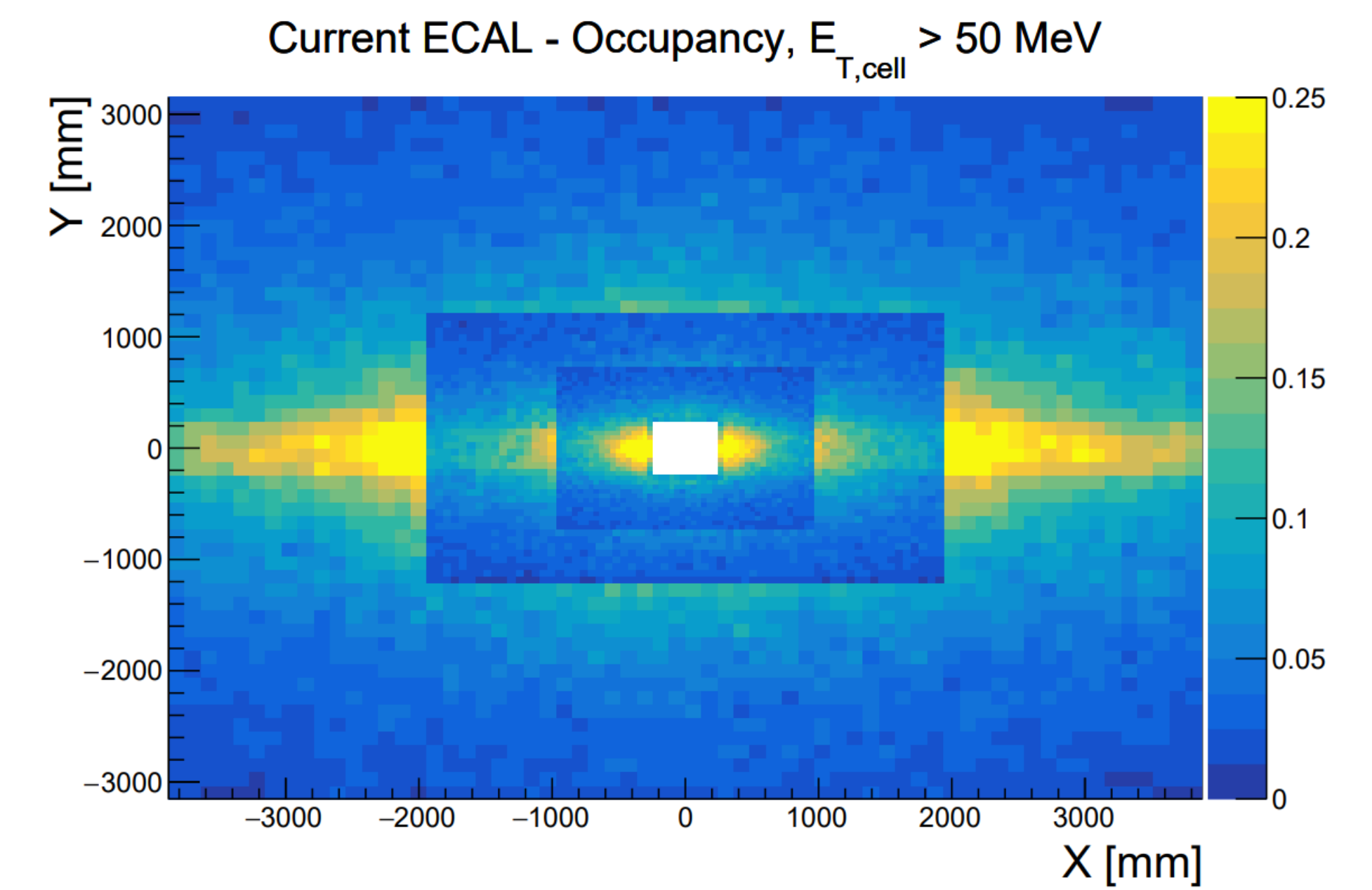
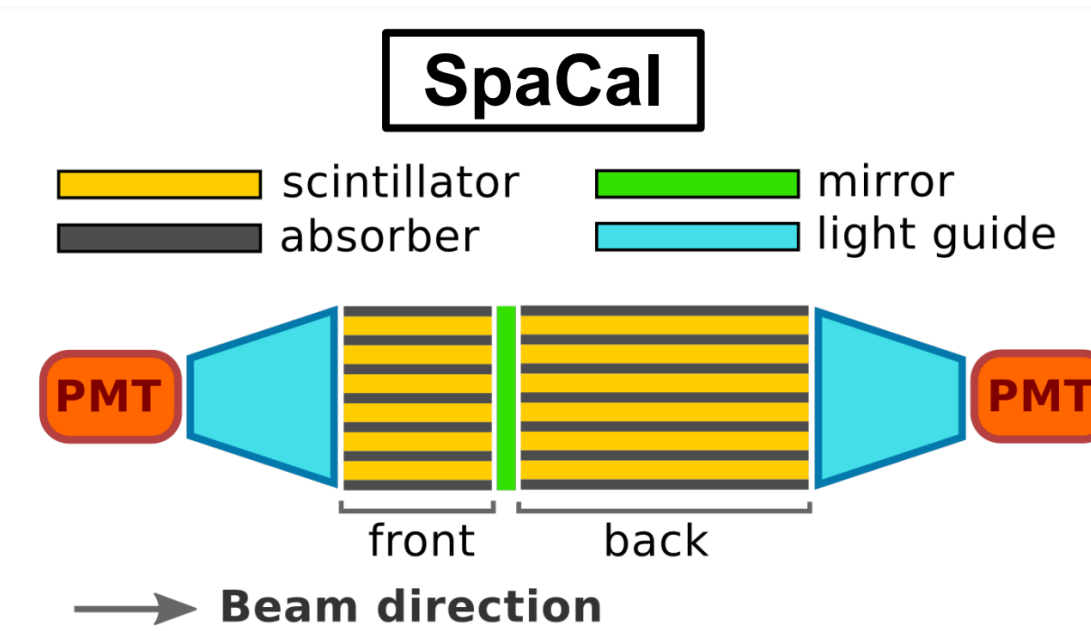


Figure 1: Simulated occupancy per cell Actual ECAL

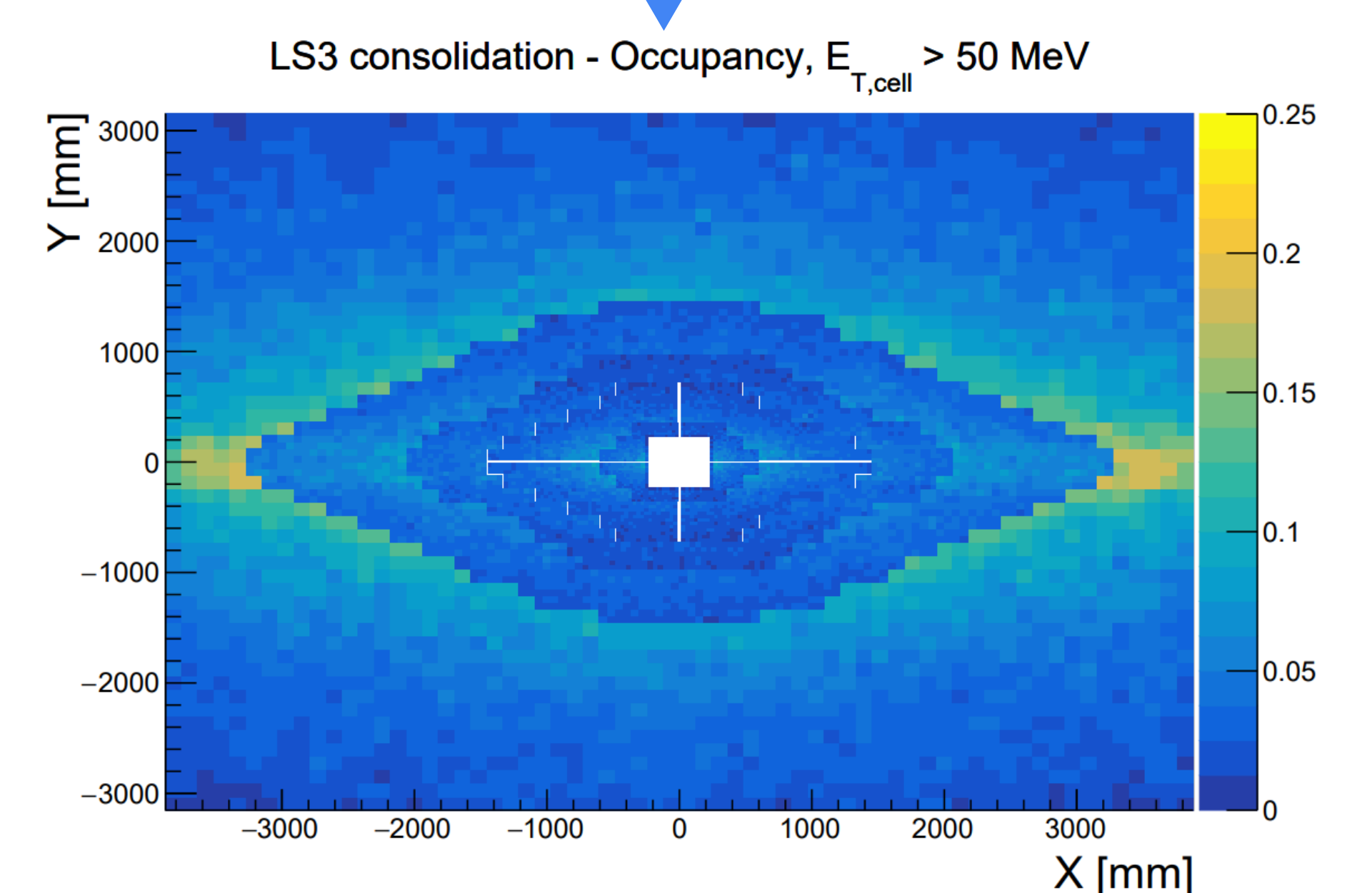


Figure 2: Simulated occupancy per cell ECAL

## 2. Data Reconstruction

### Upgraded Energy Collection

- Materials: Enhanced with new modules using scintillating crystals and plastic fibers for improved radiation hardness.
- Readout: Incorporates both front and back readouts for better energy resolution and timing.
- Simulation: Hybrid Monte Carlo simulations validate the new configurations, showing improved performance over current setups.

### Energy Reconstruction Algorithms

#### Current Algorithm

- Cellular Automaton based Algorithm: Identifies local maxima, forming 3x3 cell clusters. Applies corrections for longitudinal (L-correction), transverse (S-correction), and energy leakage (E-correction) to refine cluster properties.
- The reconstruction is carried out by off defining first the front and previously the back clusters which are then matched with the following clusters
- The Upgrade II simulations show significant improvements in energy resolution and distribution uniformity in the upgraded ECAL compared to the current system.

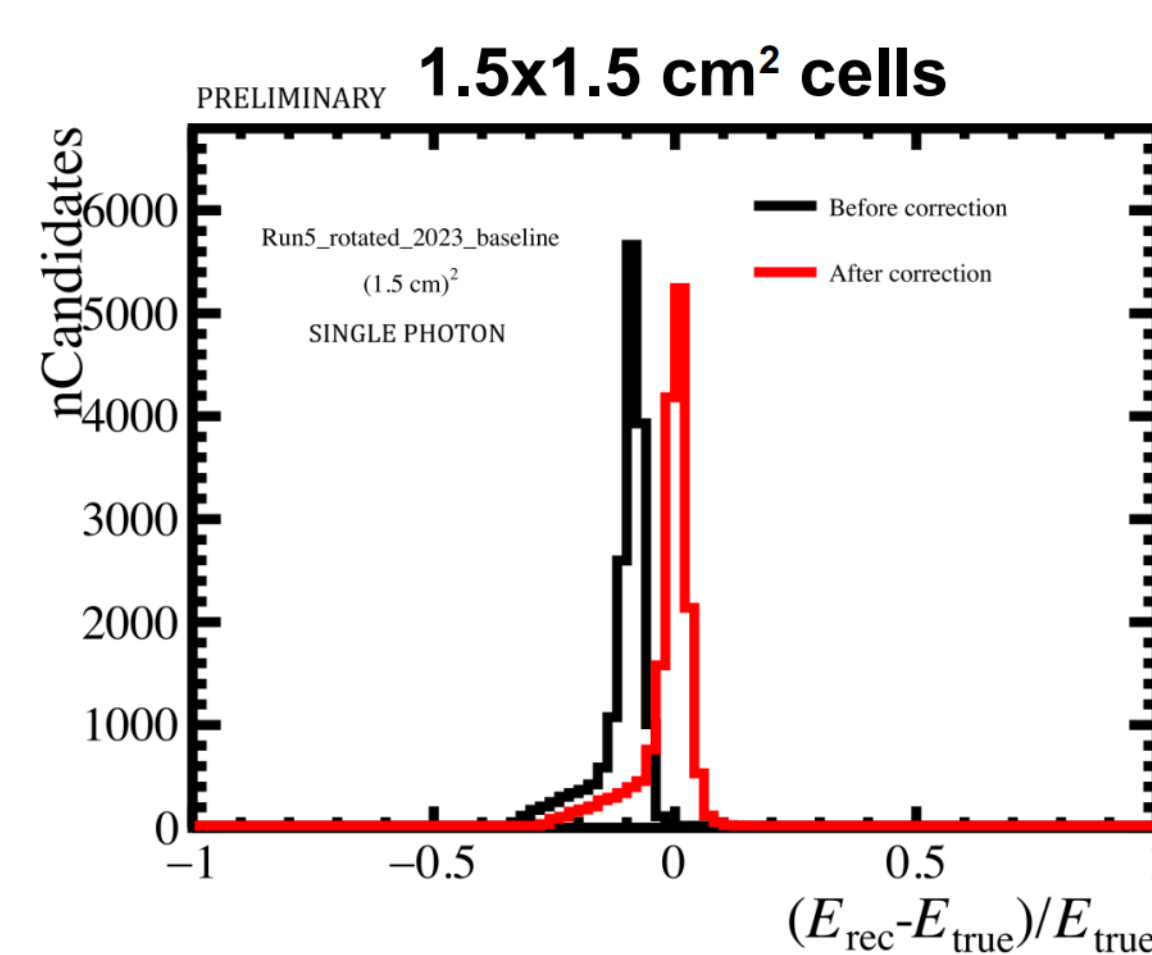


Figure 5: Energy resolution based on the reconstructed and the real one, as it is observed an improved distribution to that of the current ECAL.

### Energy Front and Back Sections

- The longitudinal segmentation allows better handling of overlapping clusters and more precise energy measurements.

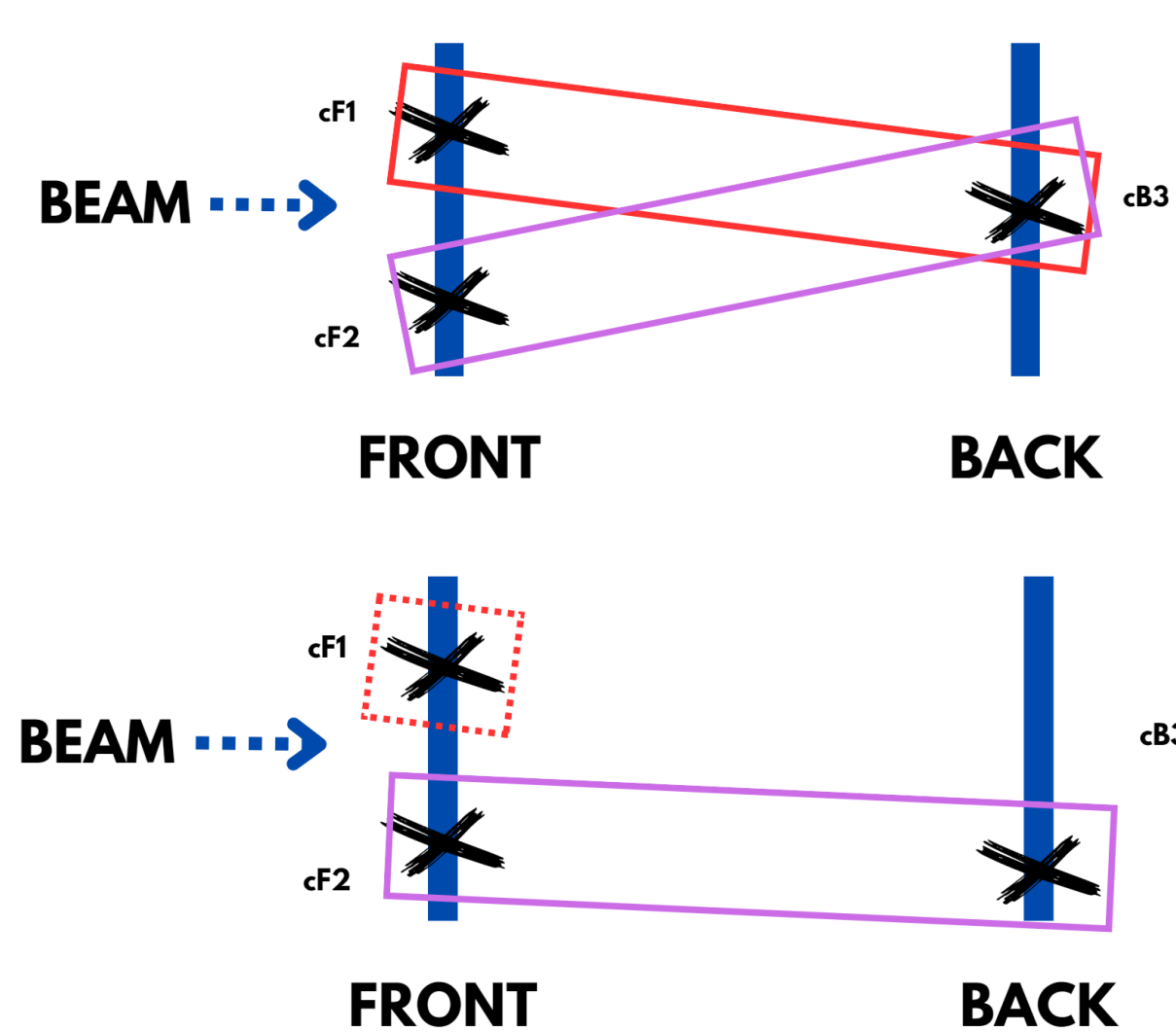


Figure 6: Longitudinal segmentation, Matching between back and front clusters to join them as one same collision

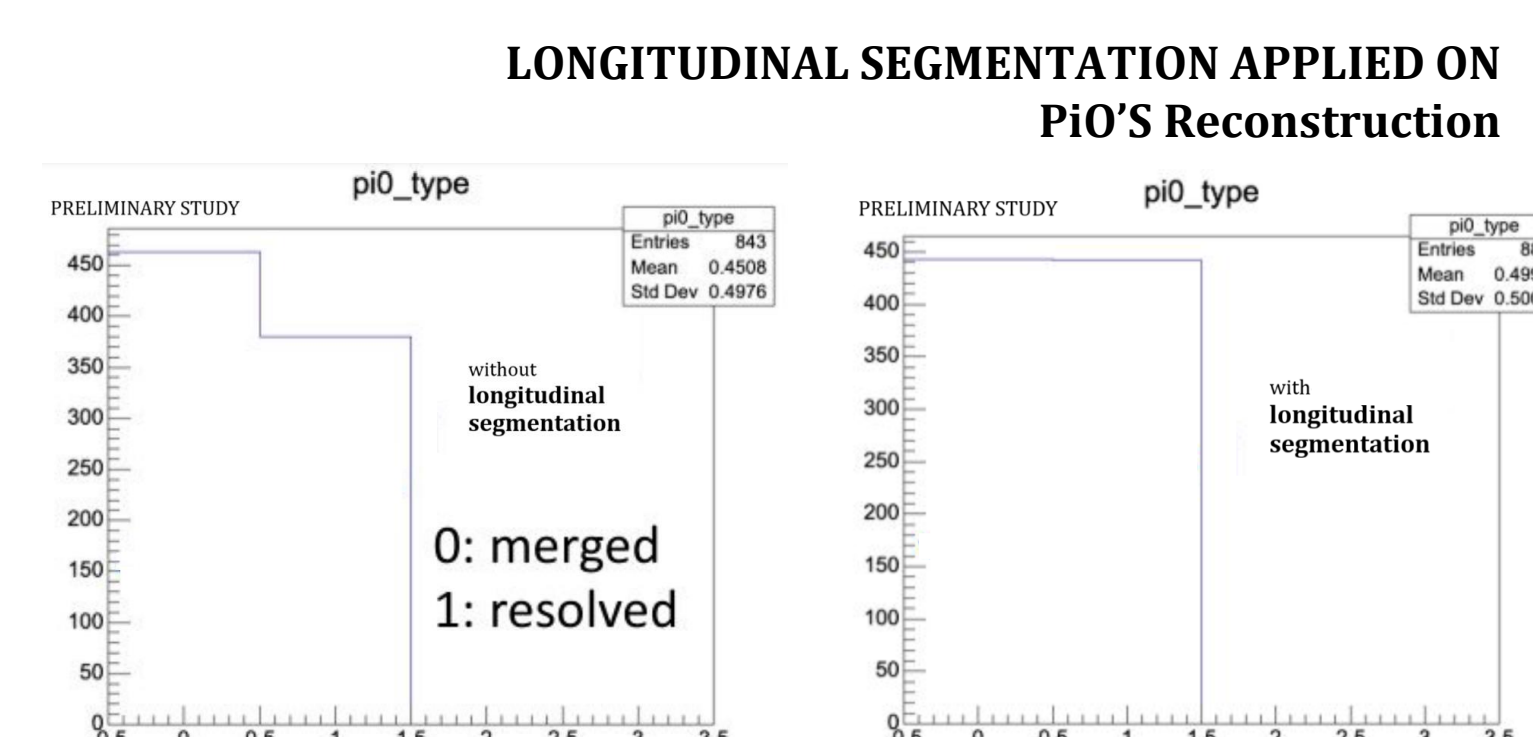


Figure 7: Reconstruction of  $\pi^0$ 's reconstruction, where after applying the longitudinal improves the ratio.

## 3. How can we use time in the reconstruction?

### Time Collection

- Having seen the effect of the new design applied to energy, a study has been started on the effect of time and correlations on the reconstruction of new clusters to improve the efficiency of the reconstruction.

- Important factors preliminary to the study:

#### Important variables for this study

- e (Cluster Energy)
- eF (Cluster Front Energy)
- eB (Cluster Back Energy)
- e\_perCell (Cell Energy)
- eF\_perCell (Cell Front Energy)
- eB\_perCell (Cell Back Energy)
- t (Cluster Time)
- tF (Cluster Front Time)
- tB (Cluster Back Time)
- tF\_perCell (Cell Front Time)
- tB\_perCell (Cell Back Time)
- Region [1,2,4,5,6]

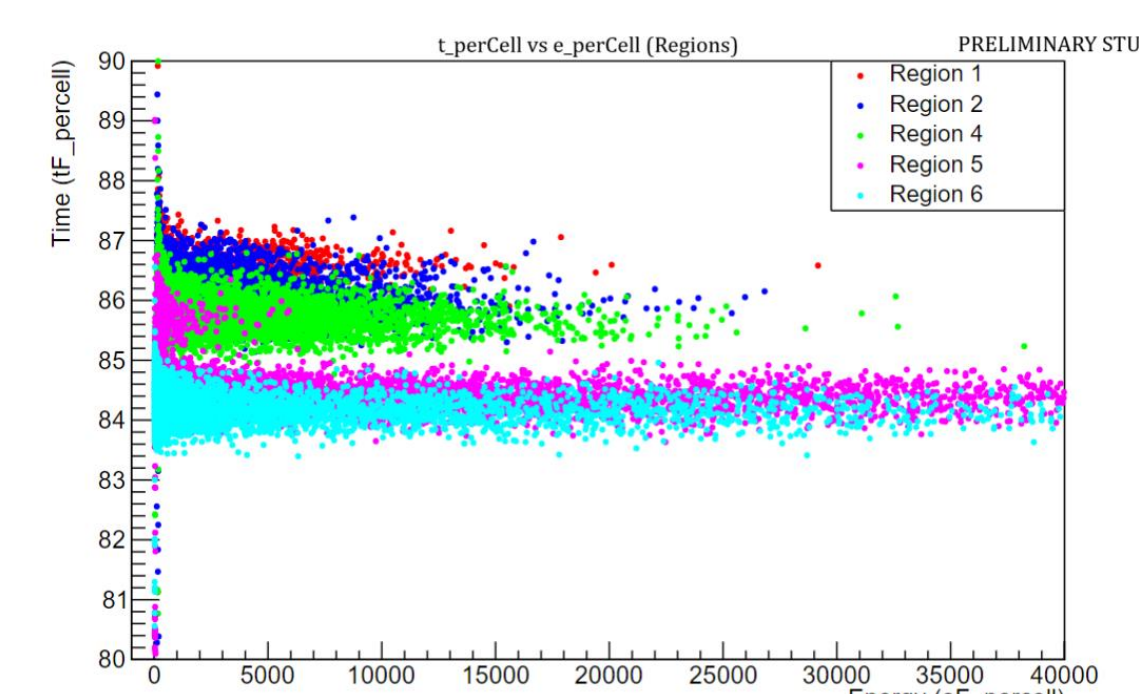


Figure 8: Correlation between  $tF_{perCell}$  and  $eF_{perCell}$ , filtered by color for the value of the region of that cell.

Remarkable difference in time between regions

- The time variation based on the TB - TF resolution is clearly affected by three technologies; in this case it is the representation of the 3 peaks in the figure showing the different regions.

- Due to larger distance between PMT front and PMT back in some cells of different regions.

- The correlation of energy with time clearly shows being filtered by regions that there is a variation due to cells that are found in boundaries, clusters made of cells from different regions.
- More than one peak can be observed in the same region as in region 5 indicating that it could be a cluster sharing cells from different regions.

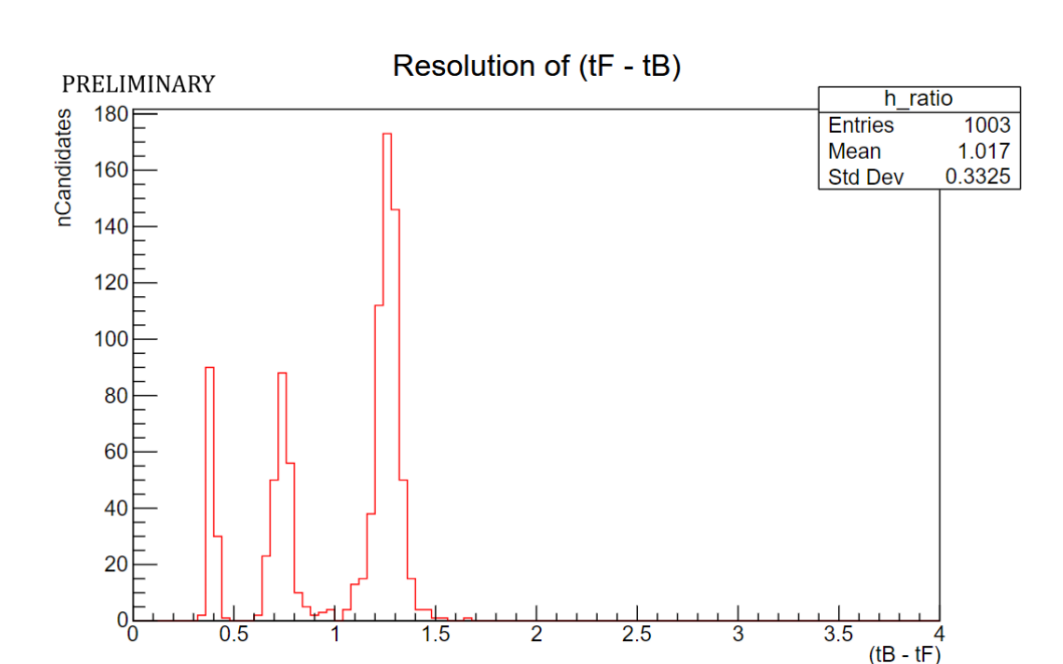


Figure 9: Difference between  $t_b$  and  $t_f$  where the three cell types are displayed

### The project continues!

- To finish investigating the effect of time and how it can improve the performance of ECAL reconstruction algorithms.
- Define more clearly what limits we place on time variables and their 3 new technologies.
- Make the most of this new variable (time) as important or more important as energy.

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