

Reconstruction of π^0 and Theta Correction for the Electromagnetic Calorimeter of MPD

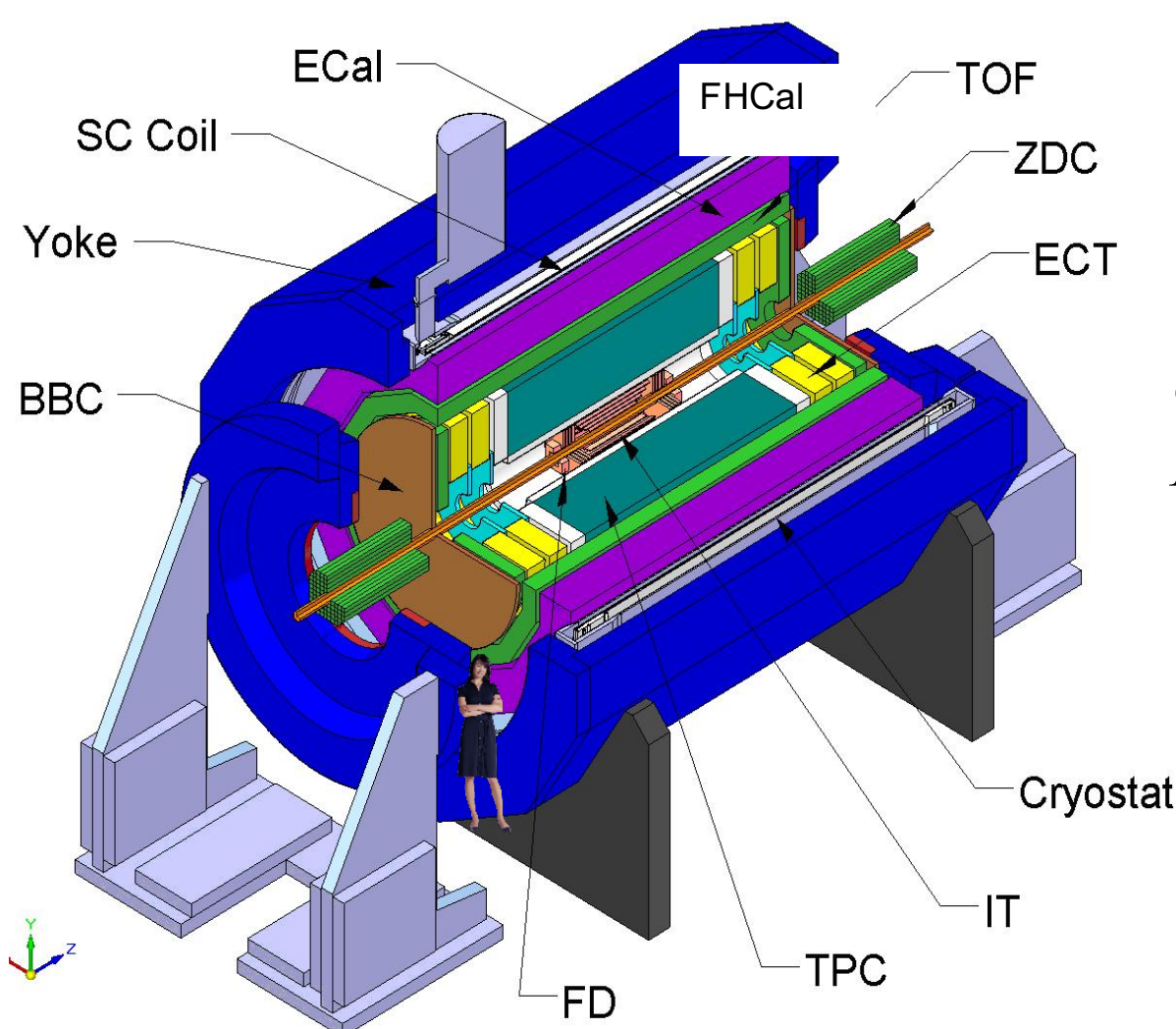


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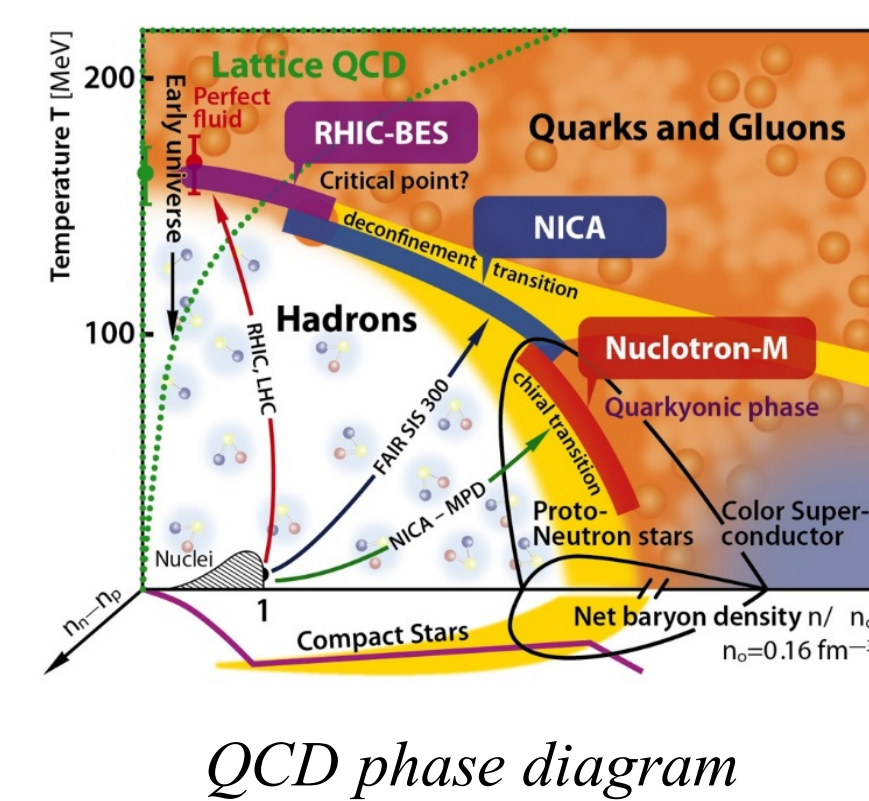
Introduction

The main goal of NICA/MPD is to investigate the hot and dense baryonic matter in heavy-ion collisions over a wide range of atomic masses, from Au+Au collisions at a center-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s_{nn}} = 11\text{GeV}$ (for Au⁷⁹⁺) to proton-proton collisions with $\sqrt{s_{pp}} = 20\text{GeV}$.

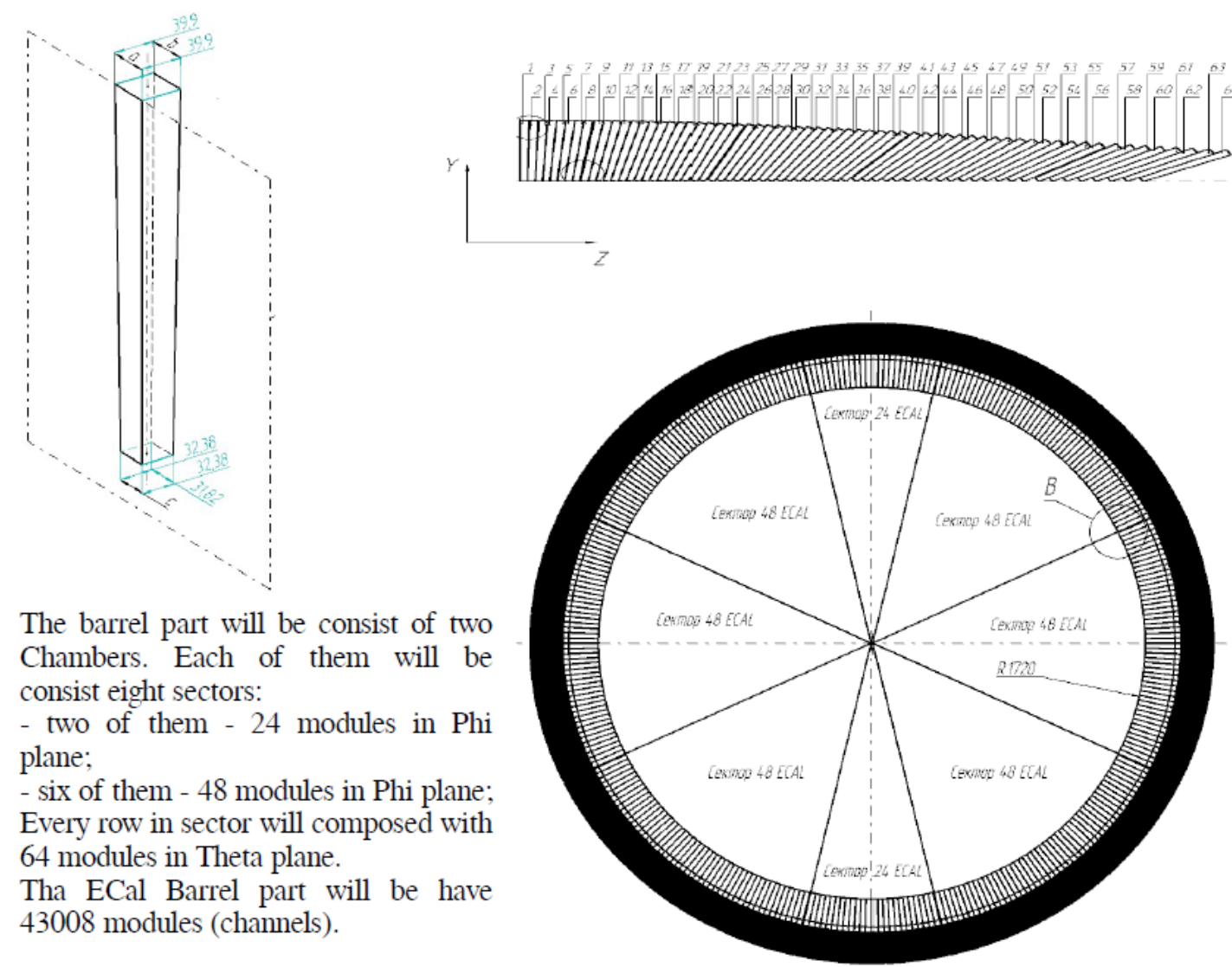


General view of the MultiPurposeDetector

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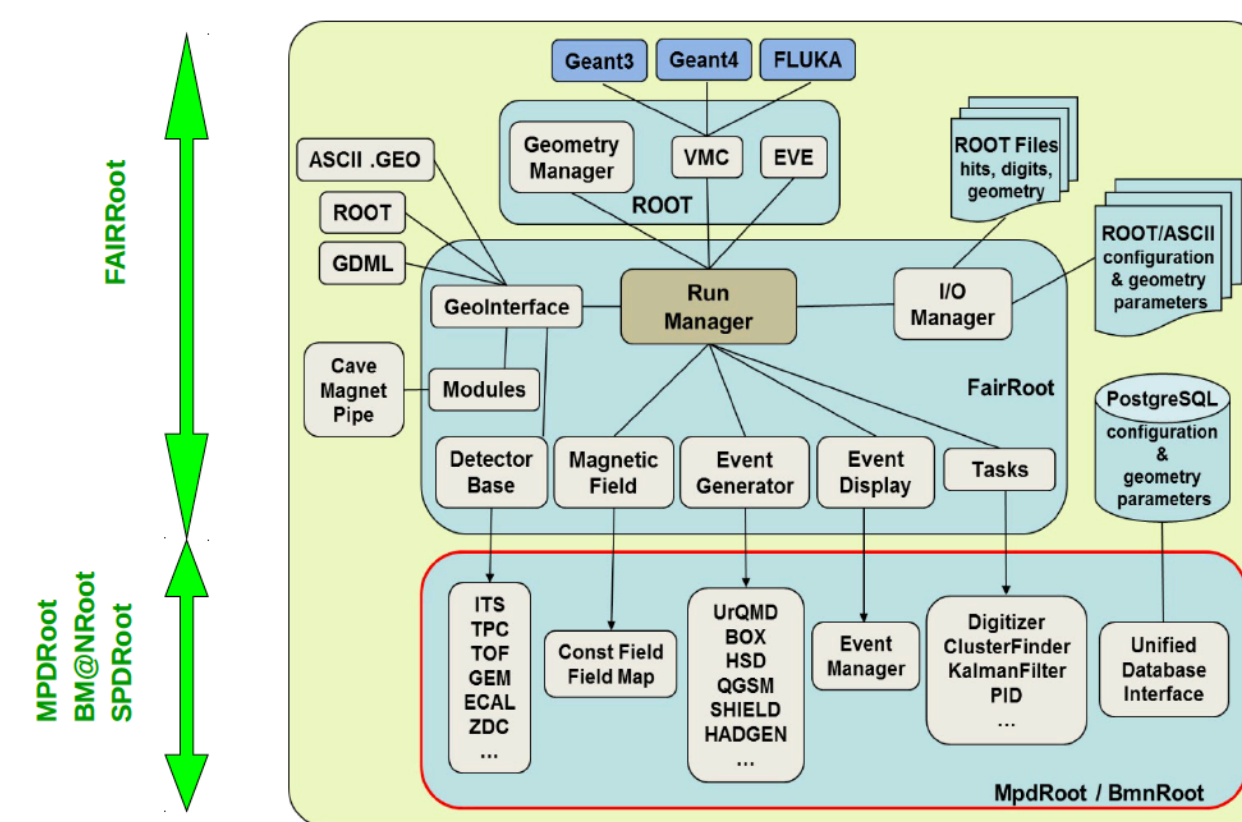
QCD phase diagram



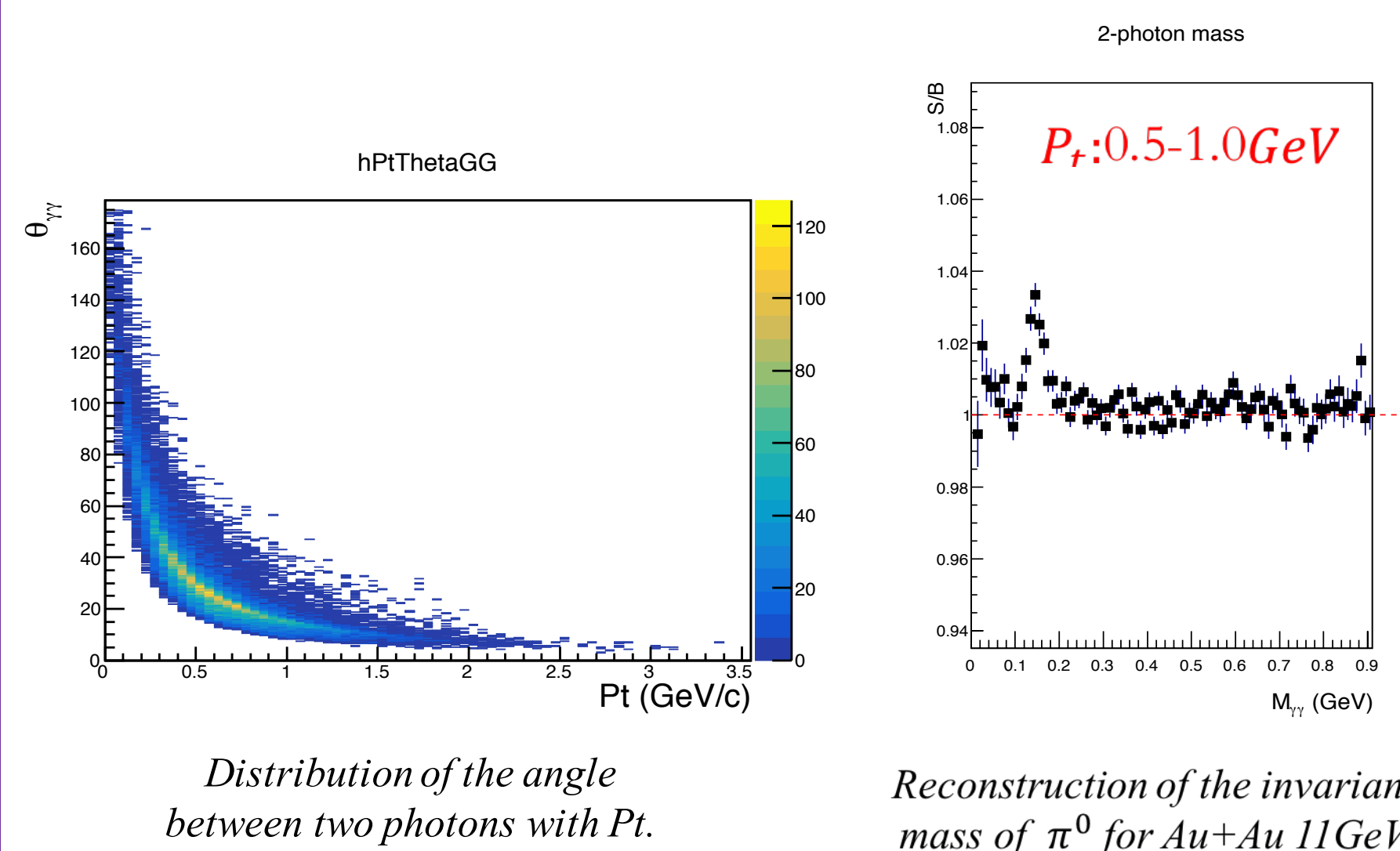
Structure of ECal system

Reconstruction of π^0

The simulation framework of MPD is based on the FairRoot as shown below. π^0 signal can be reconstructed from photons and it is a very important probe to give information of the chiral symmetry restoration and flow signal.



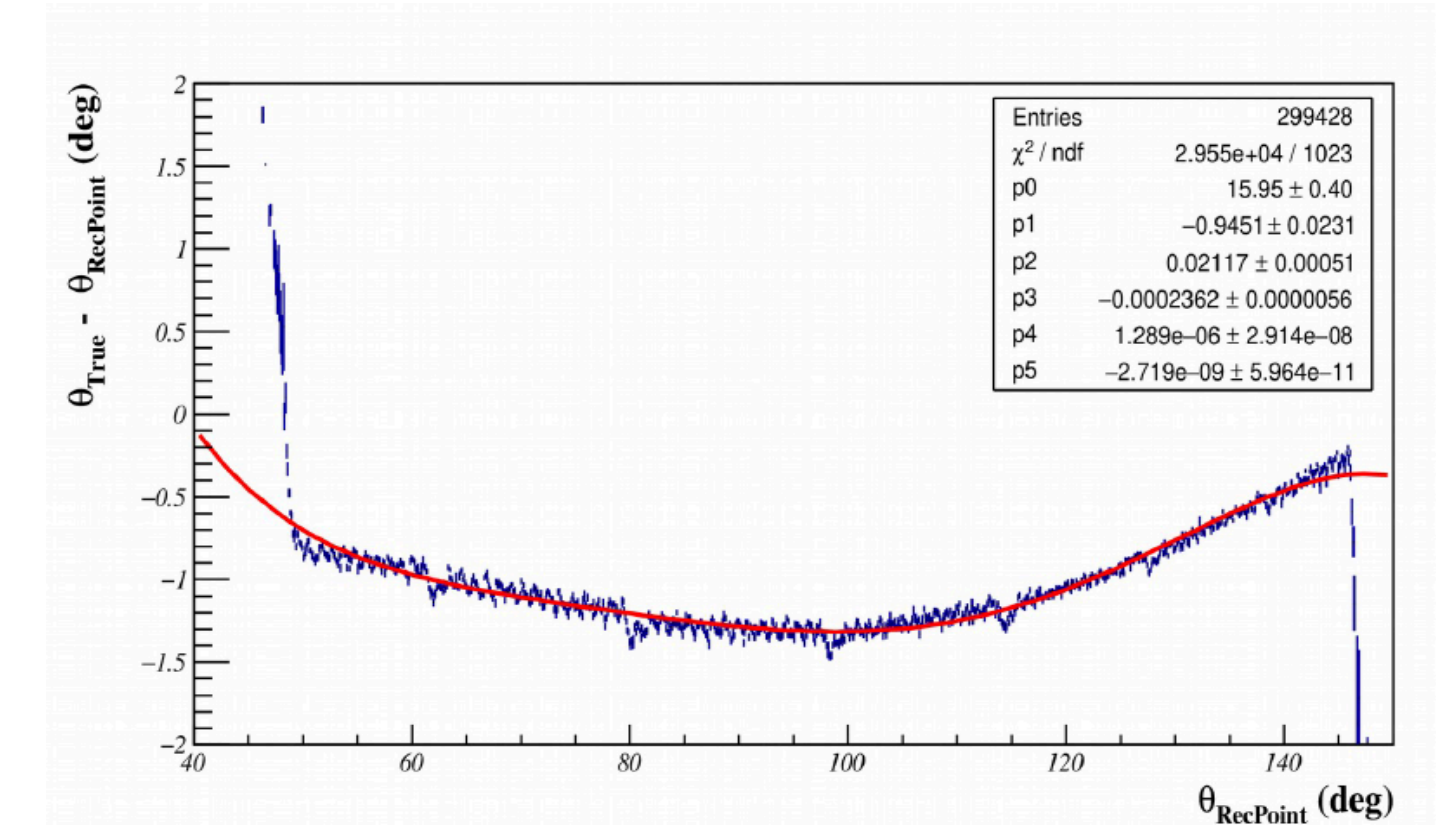
MpdRoot simulation framework



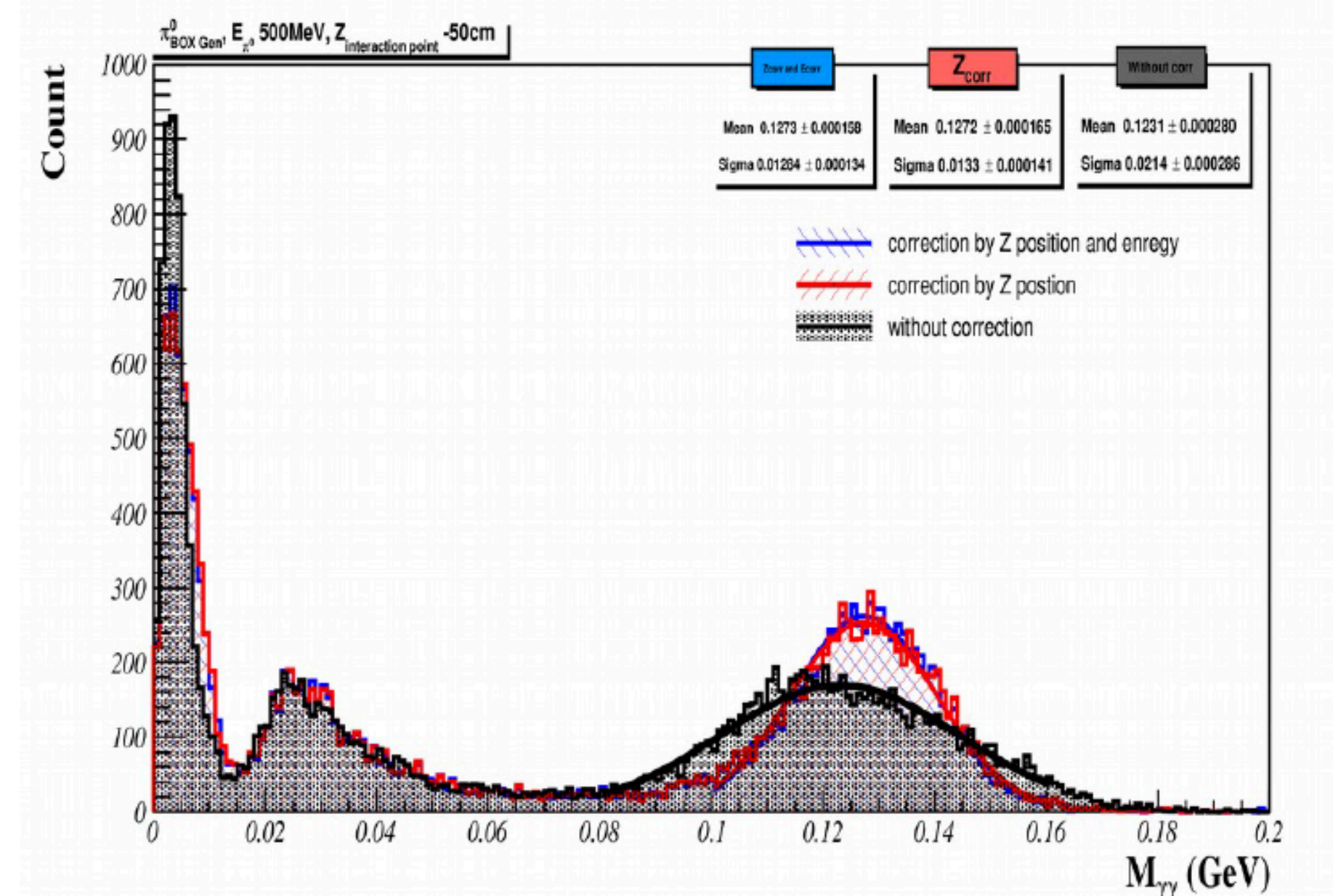
Distribution of the angle between two photons with Pt.

Reconstruction of the invariant mass of π^0 for Au+Au 11GeV

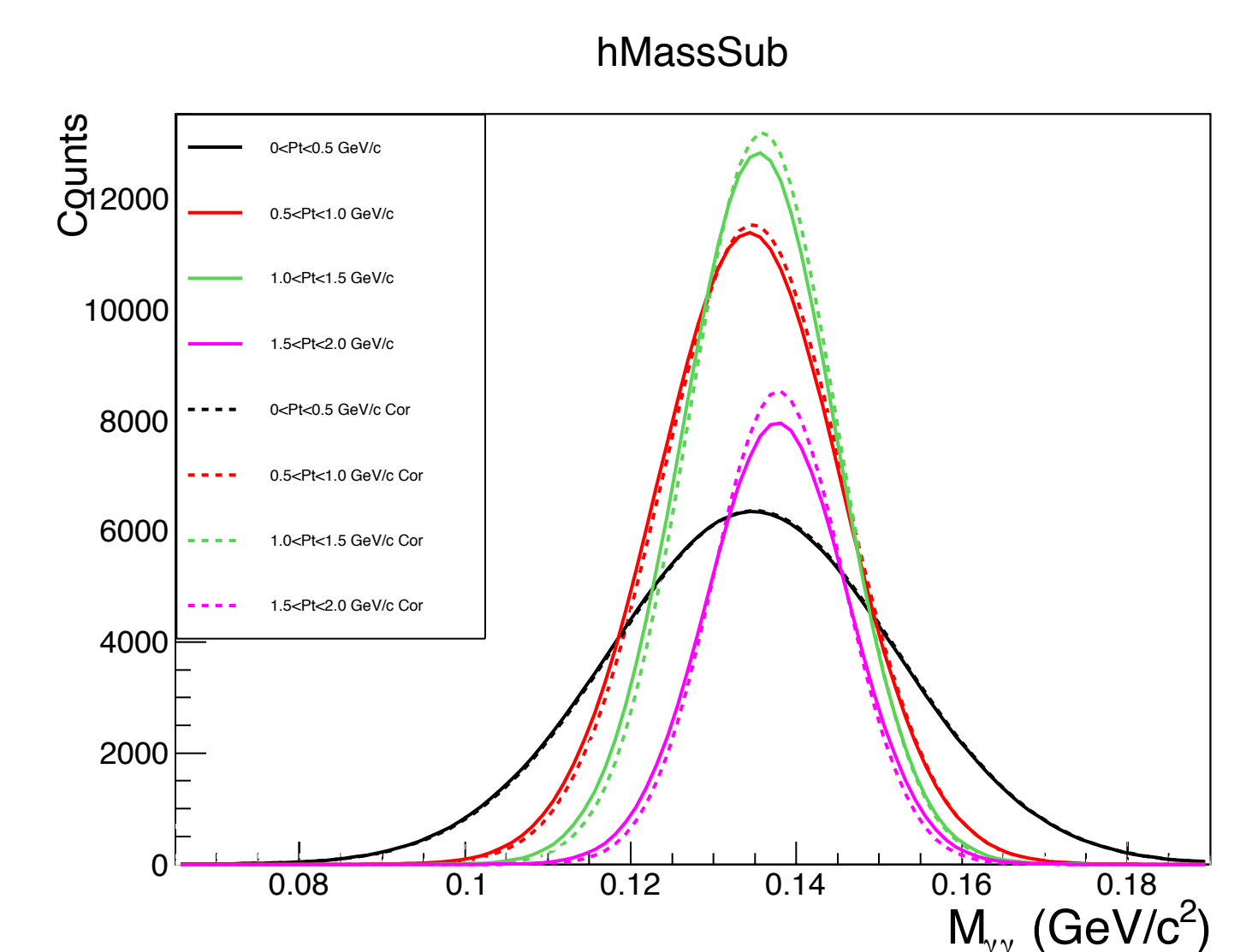
This theta bias can be corrected by a function of $\theta_{measured}$ and Z position got from the fit of the distribution of $\Delta\theta$. And it is not affected obviously by the energy of the hit.



Distribution of $\Delta\theta$ as a function of $\theta_{measured}$ for Z = 50cm.



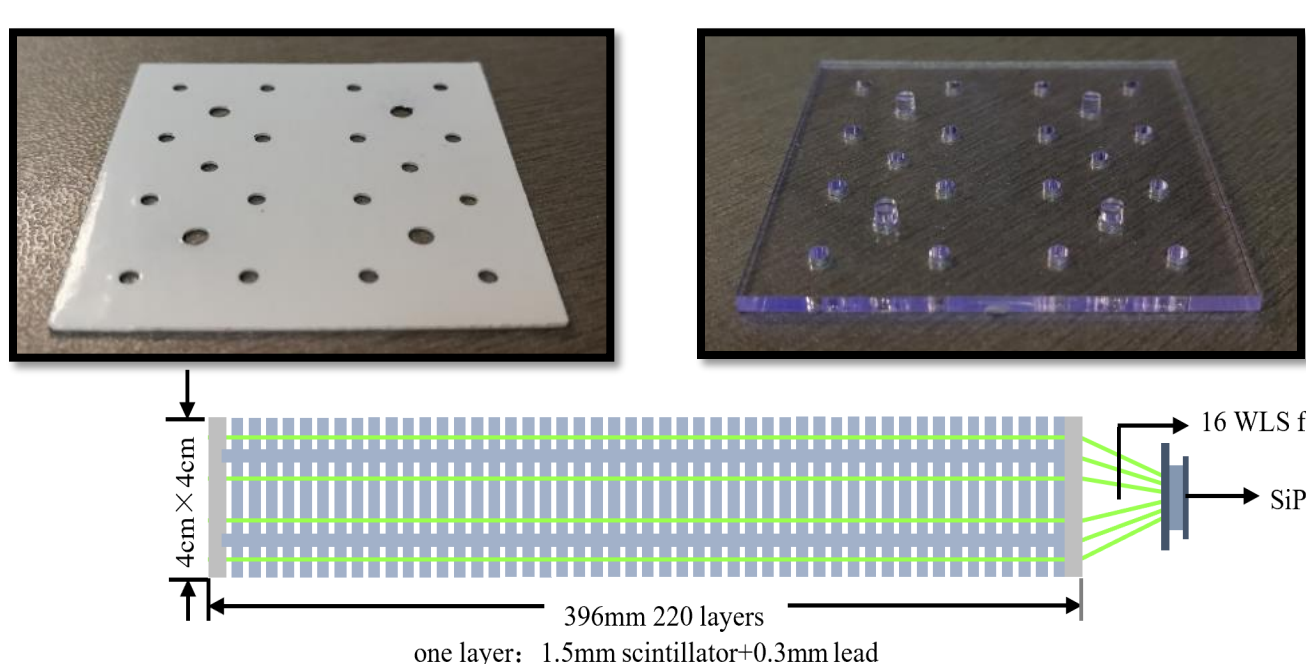
Reconstructed invariant mass of π^0 with different correction.



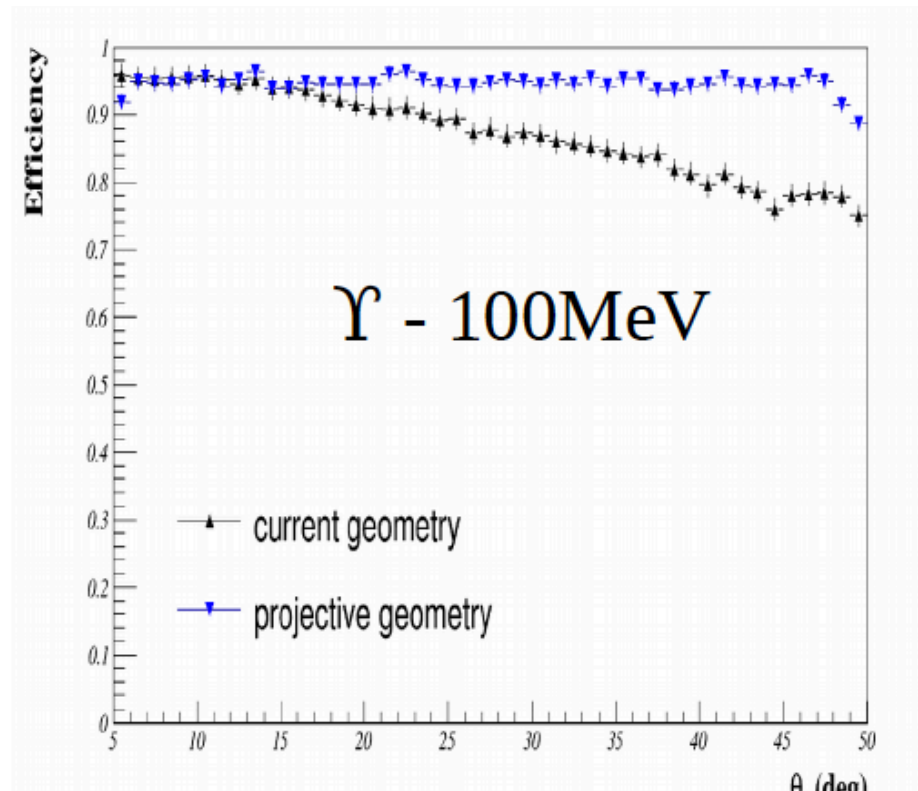
Fit of the reconstructed invariant mass of π^0 for different Pt before and after θ correction.

ECal

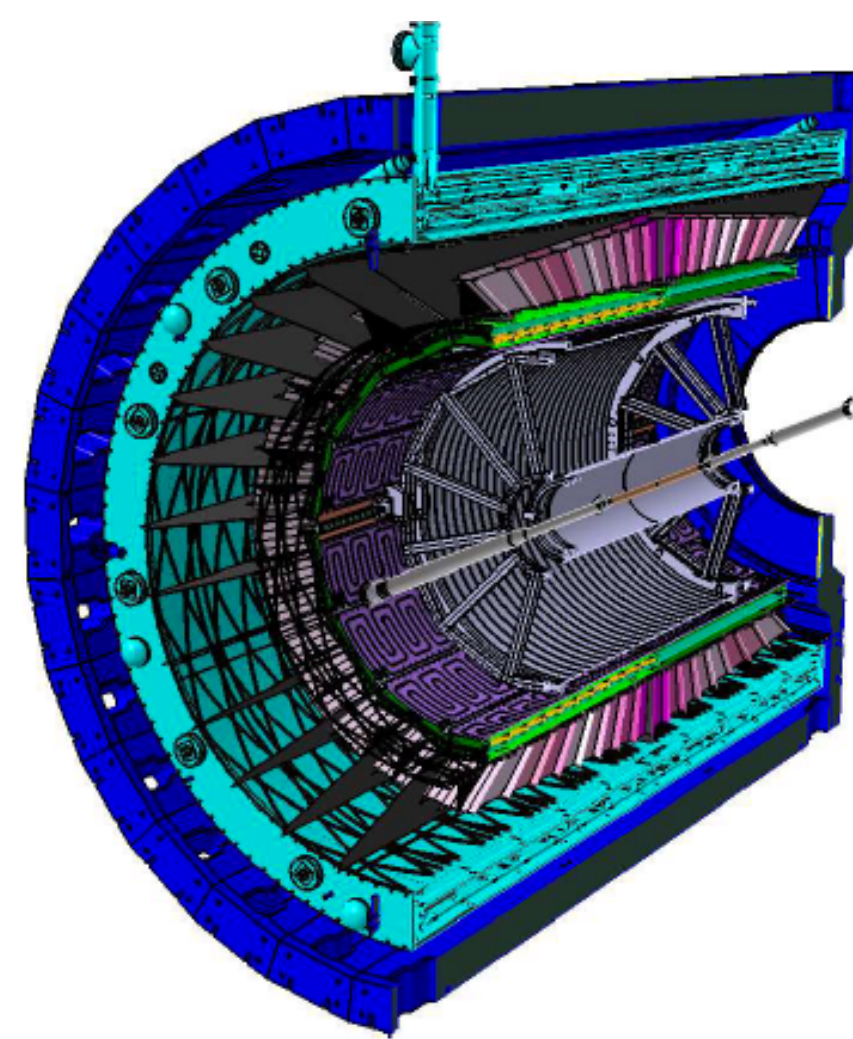
Electromagnetic calorimeter (ECal) is an important detector of the MPD to identify electrons, photons and measure their energy with high precision. This large scale project requires 43008 modules of shashlyk type. Each module consists of 220 layers of Pb and scintillator.



We find that the projective geometry can improve the dead time effect, so the module is cut to trapezoid from rectangle geometry.



Distribution of efficiency with θ angle.



Projective geometry ECal

Figures for manufacture steps:

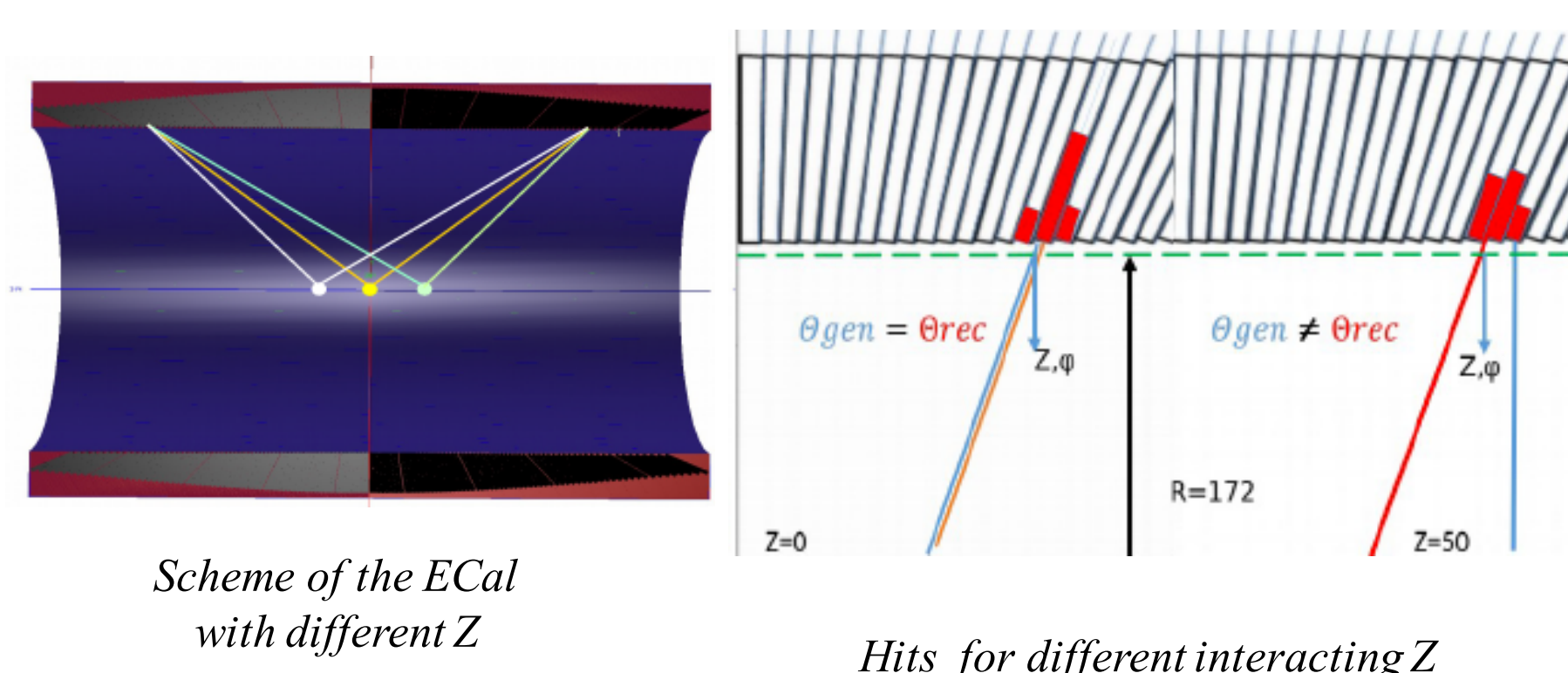
1. Assembling 32 towers one by one.
2. Pressurizing eight towers at the same time.
3. cutting and gluing.
4. WLS fibers assembling (inserting, gluing and cutting).
5. connecting the PCB plate with SiPM detector.
6. wrapping.



Theta Correction

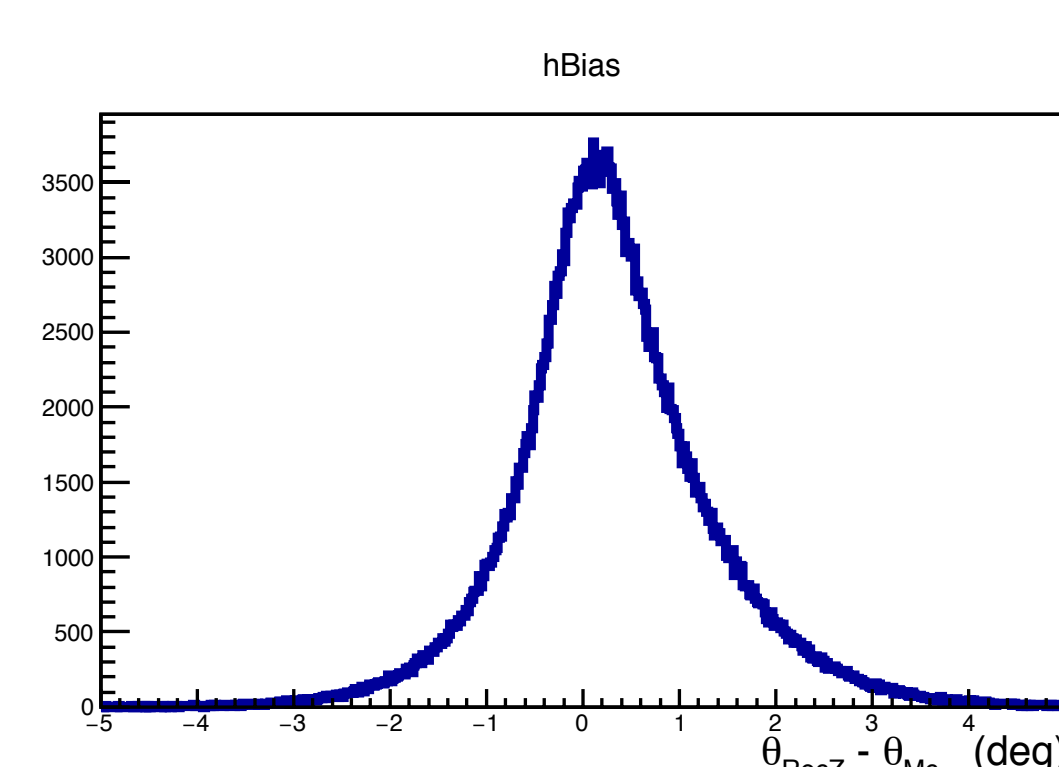
Theta angle reconstructed in the ECal has a clear deviation from real angle as a function of Z position of the interacting point.

This theta angle bias is caused by the small deviation from projective geometry for the Z position which is not equal zero.



Scheme of the ECal with different Z

Hits for different interacting Z



The distribution of the theta bias between θ_{real} and $\theta_{measured}$.

Conclusion

- Projective Electromagnetic Calorimeter with 43008 modules is designed and being constructed for the MPD experiment on NICA.
- Simulation and reconstruction of ECal is studied and the invariant mass of π^0 is reconstructed.
- Theta bias of several degrees is observed and corrected.
- $\frac{\sigma}{Mean}$ of the invariant mass decreased with theta correction, especially for large Pt.

References

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3. ECal TDR

