

# Electromagnetic Showers with the MST Algorithm

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- Brief summary of Wed's talk
- Work done here at Snowmass
- Status on efficiency & purity

# Some Words on My World...

- SiD detector 'SDFeb05\_SciHcal', barrel only
- Single particle samples:

photons      1-10 GeV      efficiency studies

$\pi^0$             1-10 GeV      overlap / purity studies

$K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$     5-25 GeV      even more overlap

# The **M**inimum **S**panning **T**ree Algorithm

- Recursive algorithm
- User has to define distance and a threshold.  
used here:  
     $\text{distance} = |\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2|$  (3D between cell centers)  
    threshold of order cm
- Any two hits with distance  $<$  threshold get assigned to the same output cluster

Implementation for hep.lcd available in CVS  
(Matthew Charles, Wolfgang Mader, N.M.)

# Identify Photons

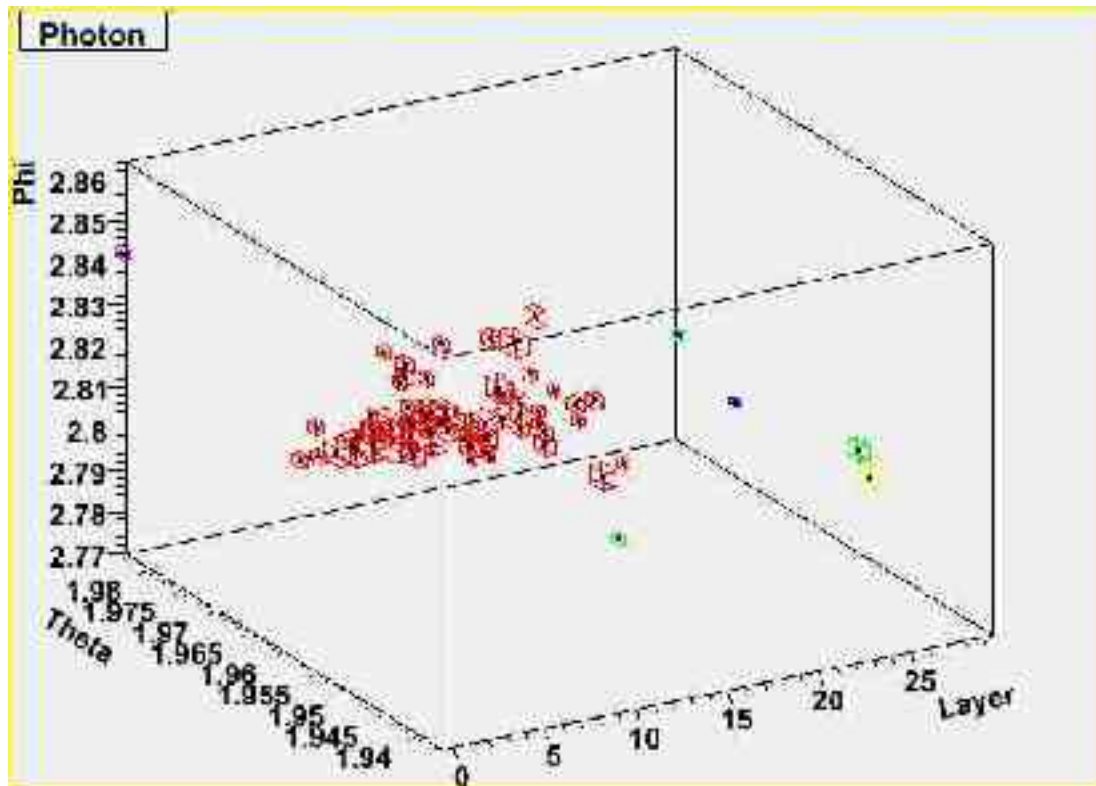
- There are several clusters per MC particle, and not all of them might be from photons...
- Use single particle sample to find simple criteria, tune cuts as function of threshold

size	reject small 'fragments'
position	EM showers start after few $X_0$
composition	no 'MIP' tracks expected
shape	'long' and 'thin'

- Accept ~98% EM, ~5% chrgd. had, ~10% ntr. had

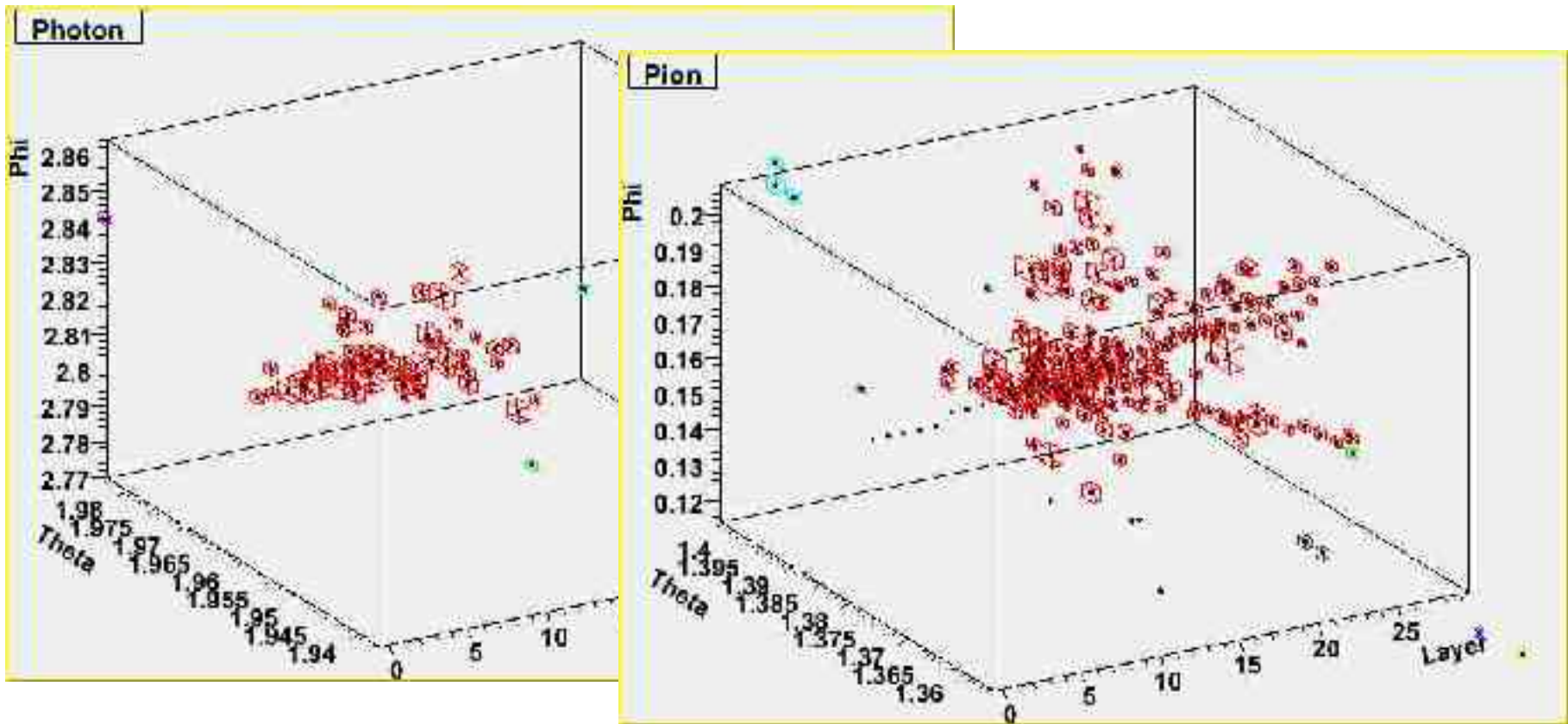
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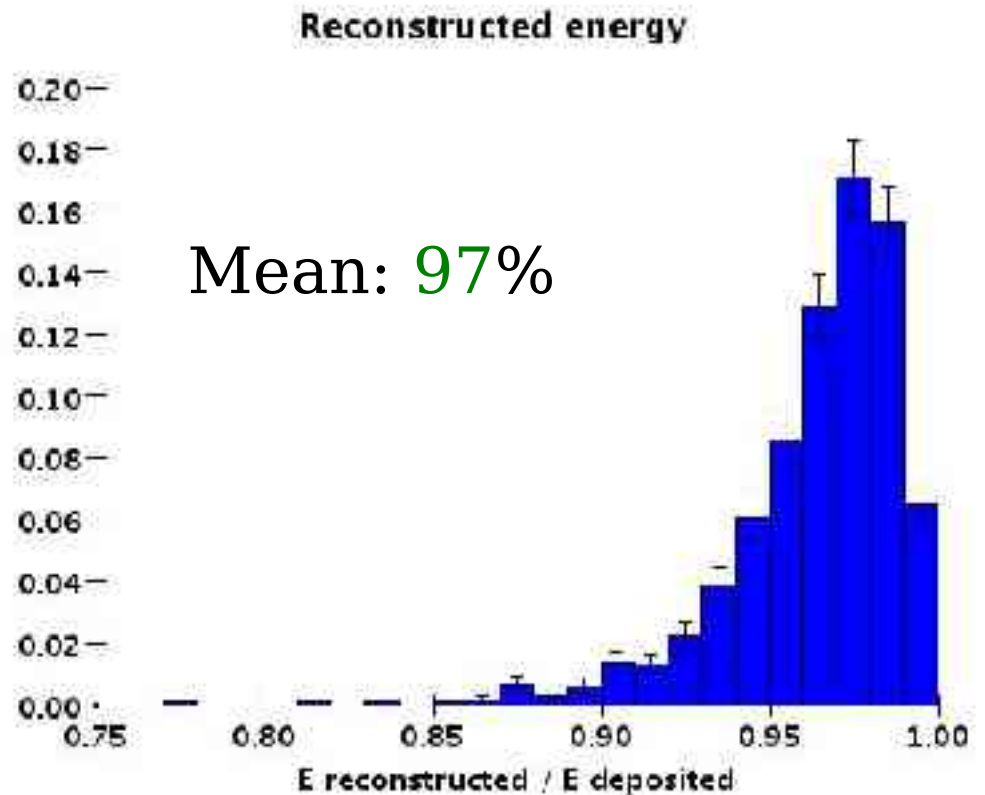
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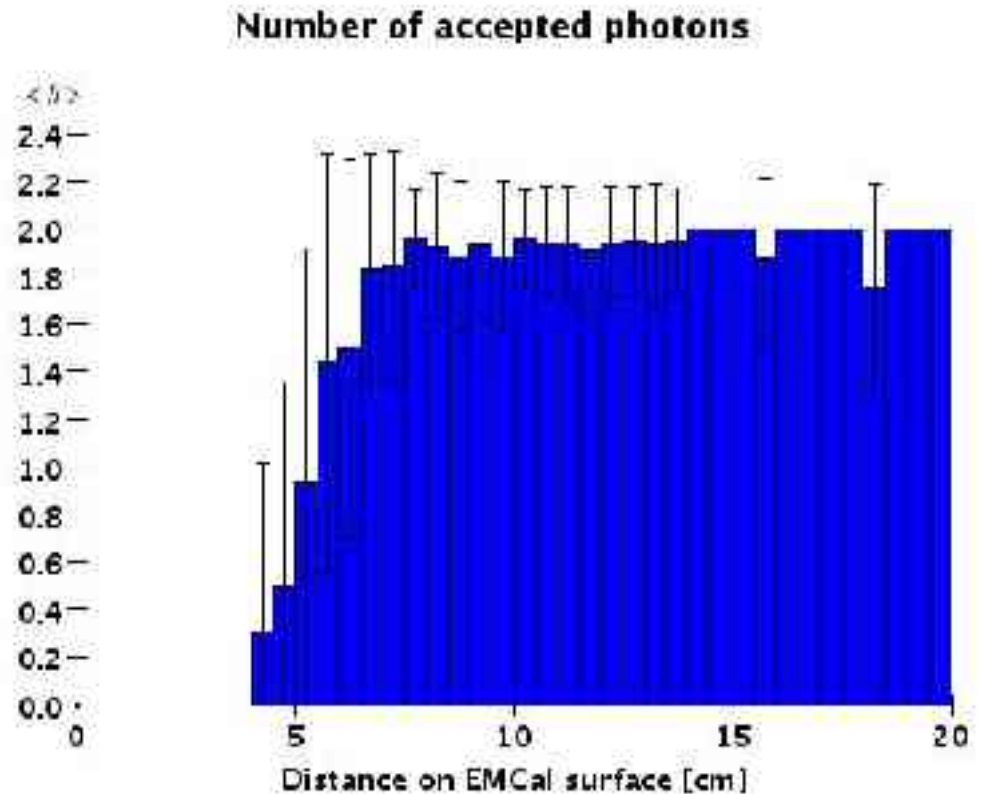
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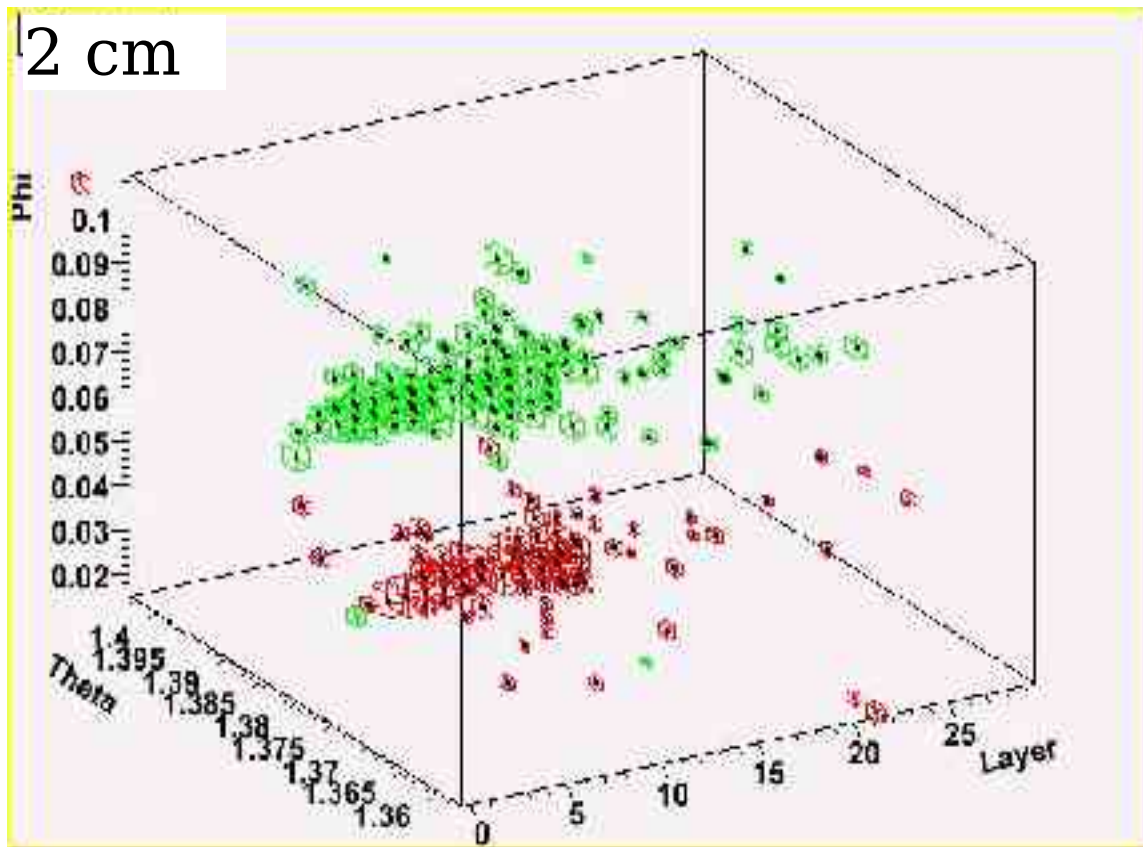
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poor separation of close-by photons from  $\pi^0$  sample





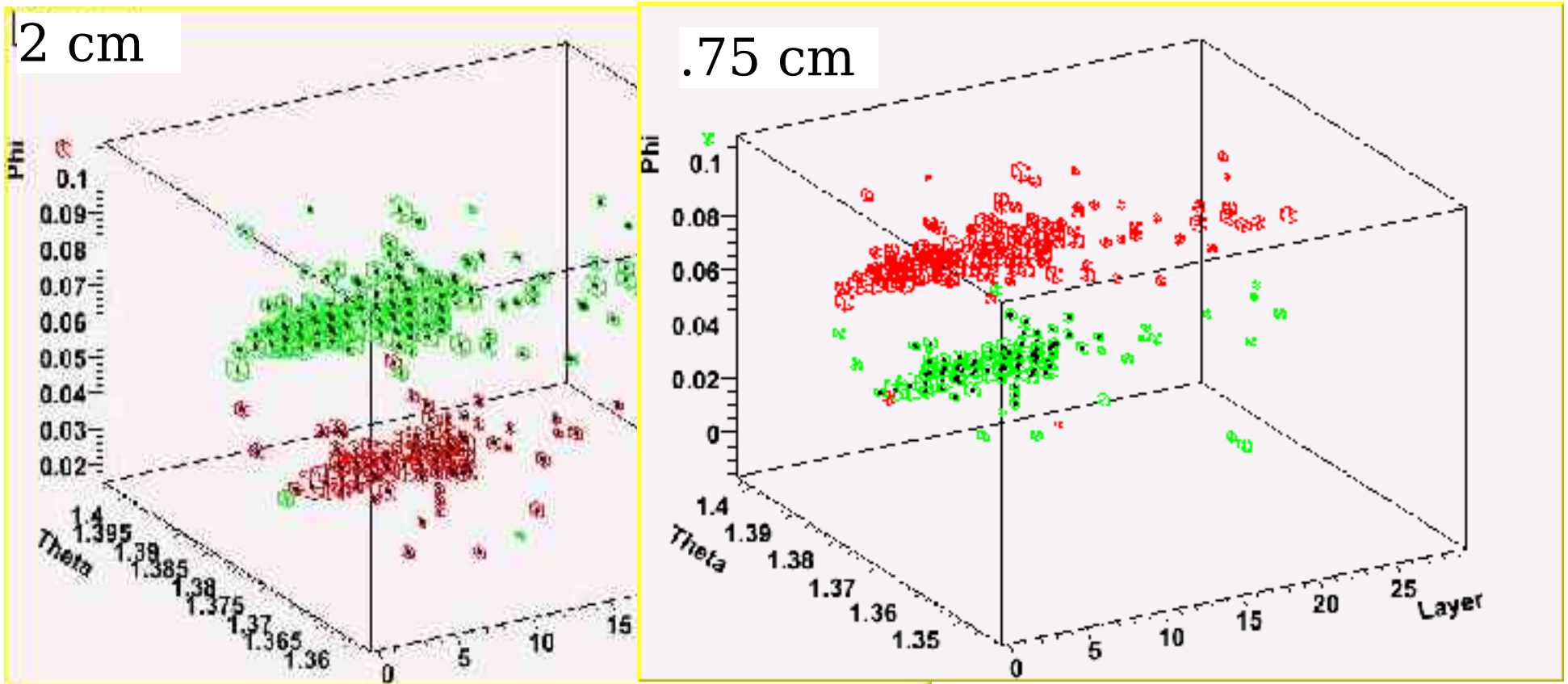
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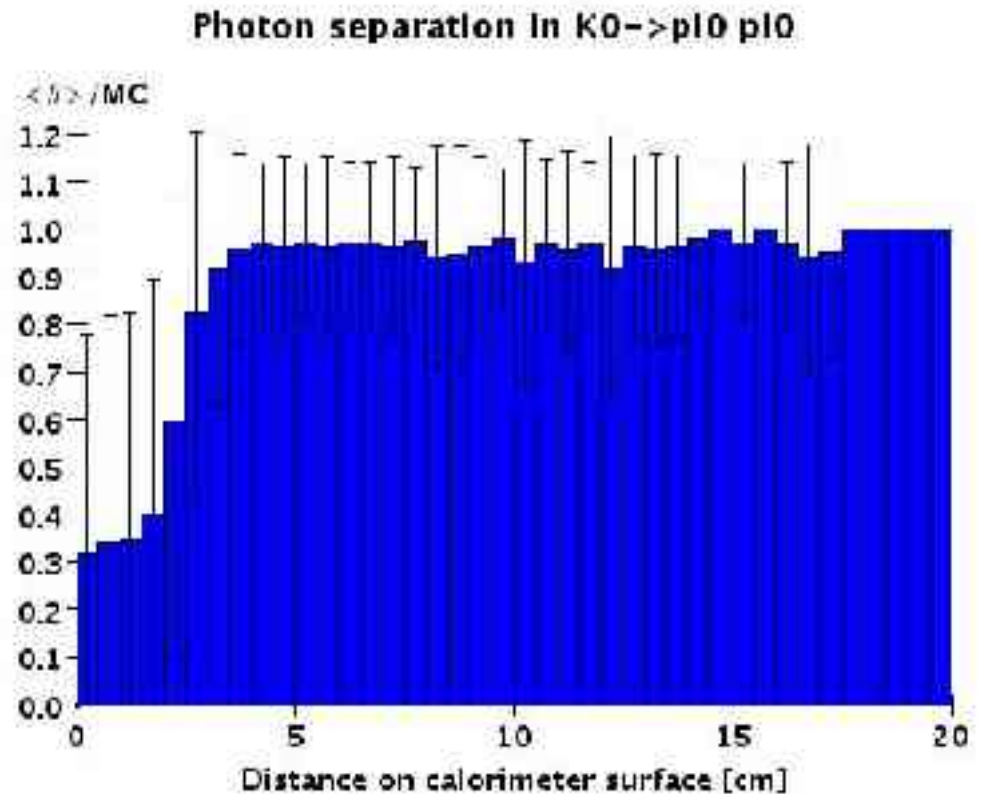
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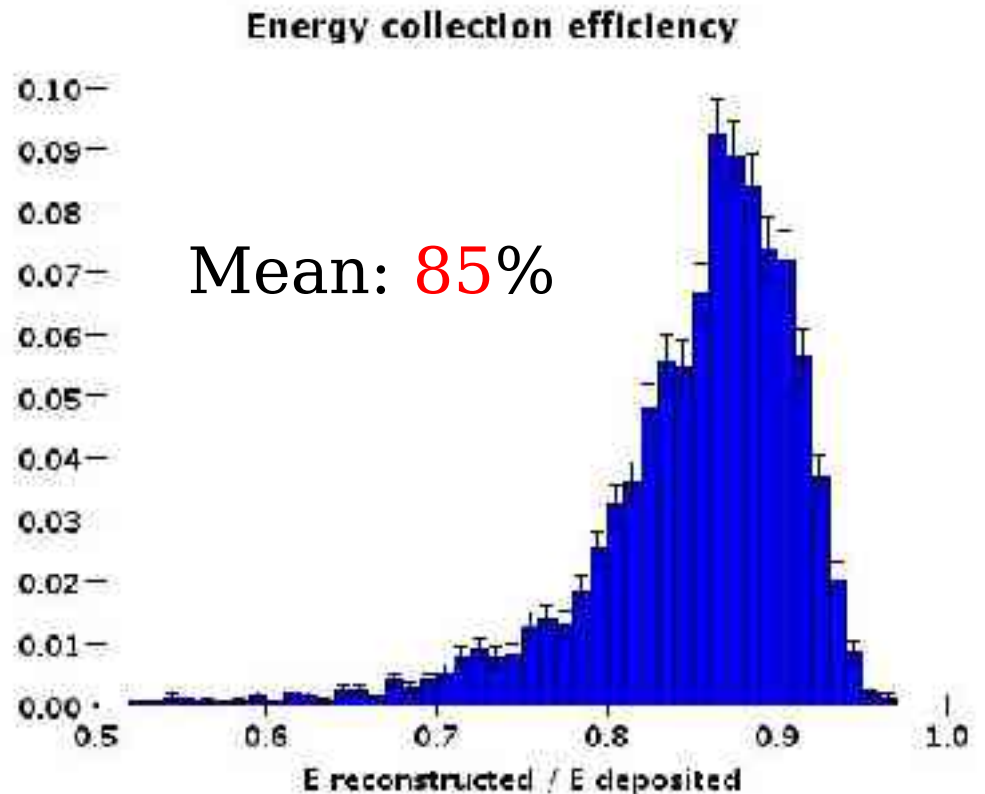
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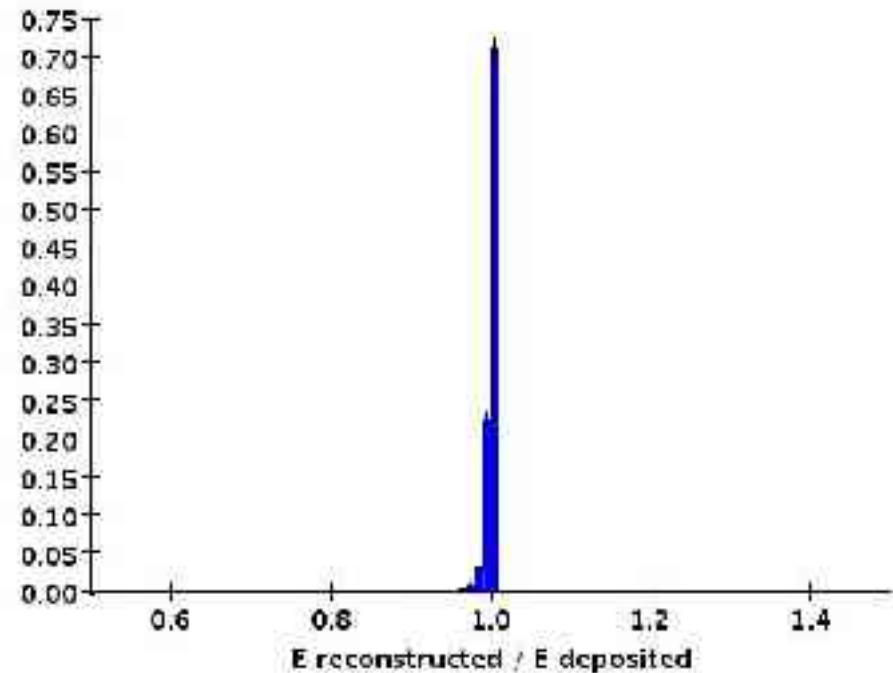
# What About Two-Step Approach

- Find dense cores with MST algorithm
- Find criteria for one core per photon  
(as shown before, could be done better!)
- Collect energy around cores  
first idea (**brand new!**):  
cylinder around principle axis of cores,  
cut overlapping cylinders (simplest: symmetric)

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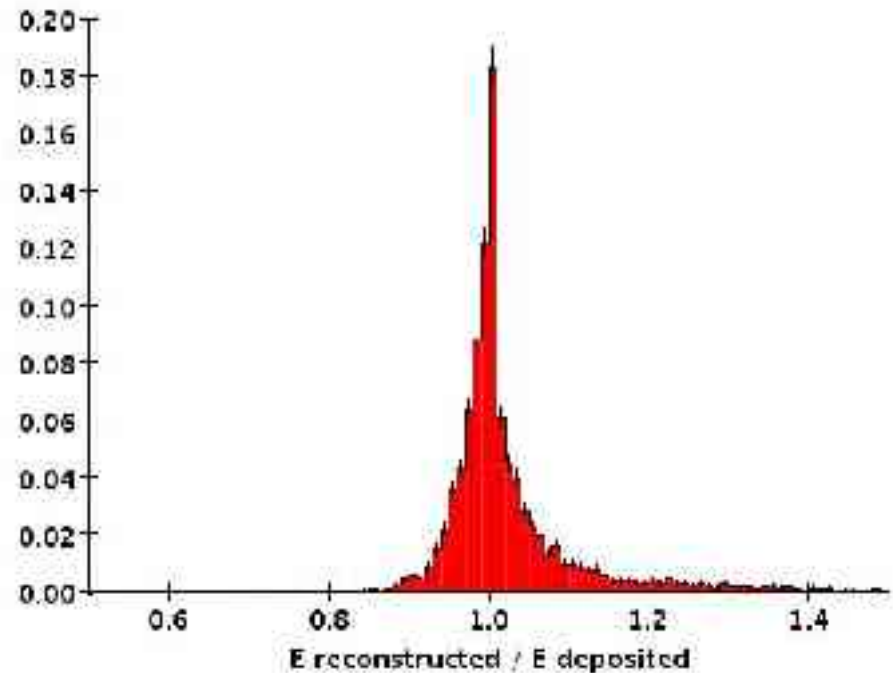
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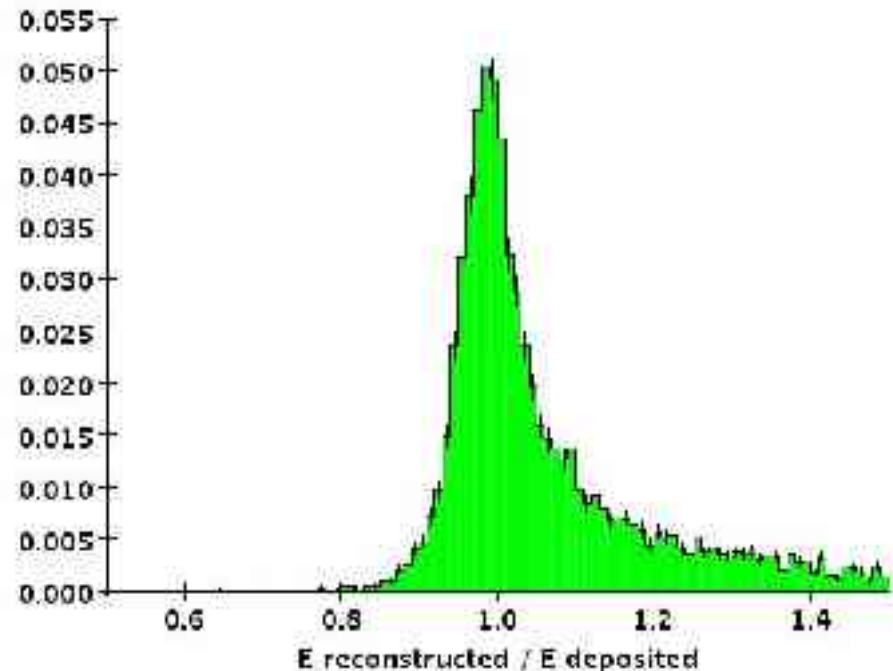
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# Some Conclusions...

- This is **VERY** preliminary
  - Just a week of work (bugs, bugs, bugs...)
  - The cylinder radius is just a guess
  - Even the choice of a 'cylinder' is arbitrary
- Trends observed:
  - Looks encouraging!
  - Algorithm tends to pick up too much energy for low-E photon next to high-E particle

# Summary and Outlook

- Use MST algorithm to find electromagnetic showers
- Single photon resolution for  $D > 3$  cm
- Work in progress:
  - Optimize energy collection strategy
  - Find criteria for low-E photons
  - Study overlap with pions, neutral hadrons
  - ...
  - Put together a 'photon finder'
- Stay tuned...