
Simulations of EM Shower Acceptance

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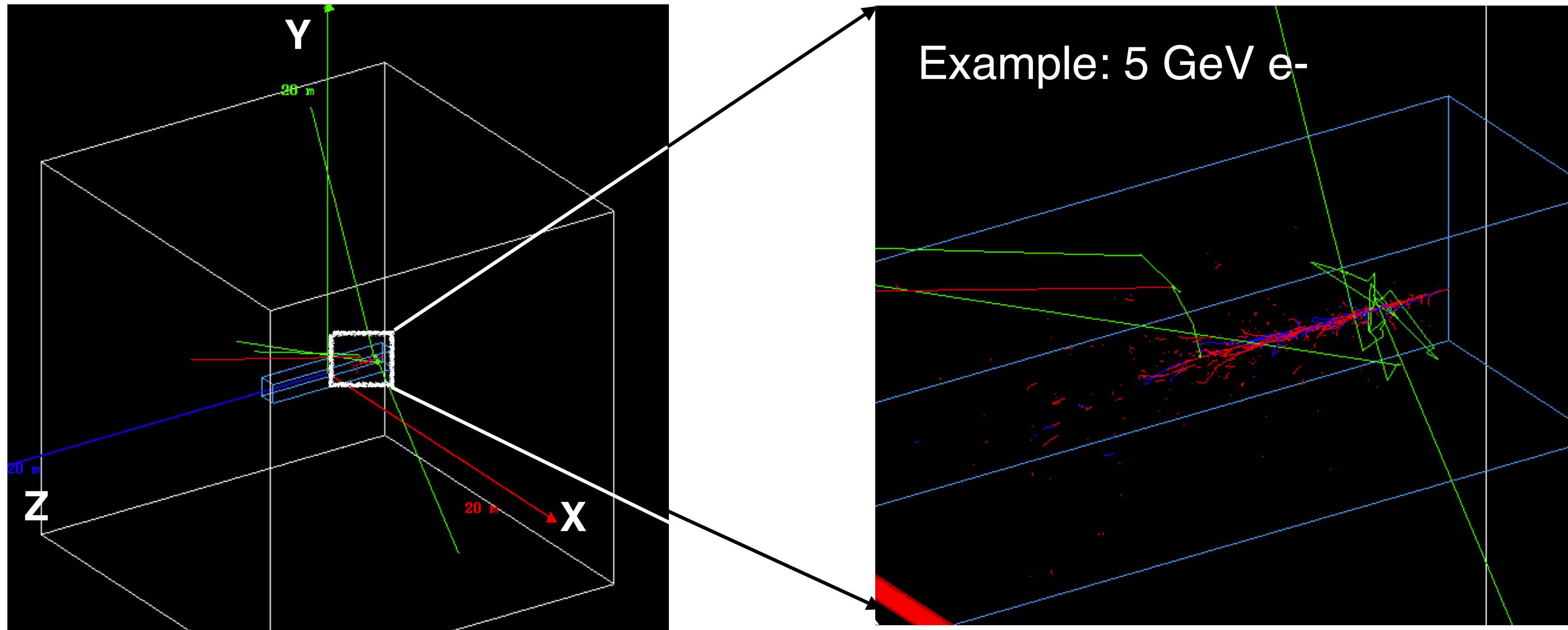
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Introduction

- Liquid argon has excellent EM-shower and muon ID and could be a good candidate for the detector
 - LAr radiation length is 14 cm
 - LAr density is 1.4 g/cm³
- Use Geant4 to simulation electron showers in a LAr detector to study EM shower acceptance
 - **Detector Size (cuboid):** 1.5x1.5x7 or 1x1x7
 - **Electron energy in the simulation:** 200 MeV, 500 MeV, 1 GeV, 5 GeV, 10 GeV, 50 GeV, 100 GeV, 200 GeV, 300 GeV
 - Electron direction: (0, 0, 1). Currently no beam spread or angle smearing
 - **Vertex of electron is uniformly distributed along Z-axis** (0, 7000) mm
 - PhysicsList used in the simulation: FTFP_BERT
- Simulation of a liquid scintillator detector as a comparison
 - LS (LAB-based) radiation length is ~50 cm, density is 0.859 g/cm³

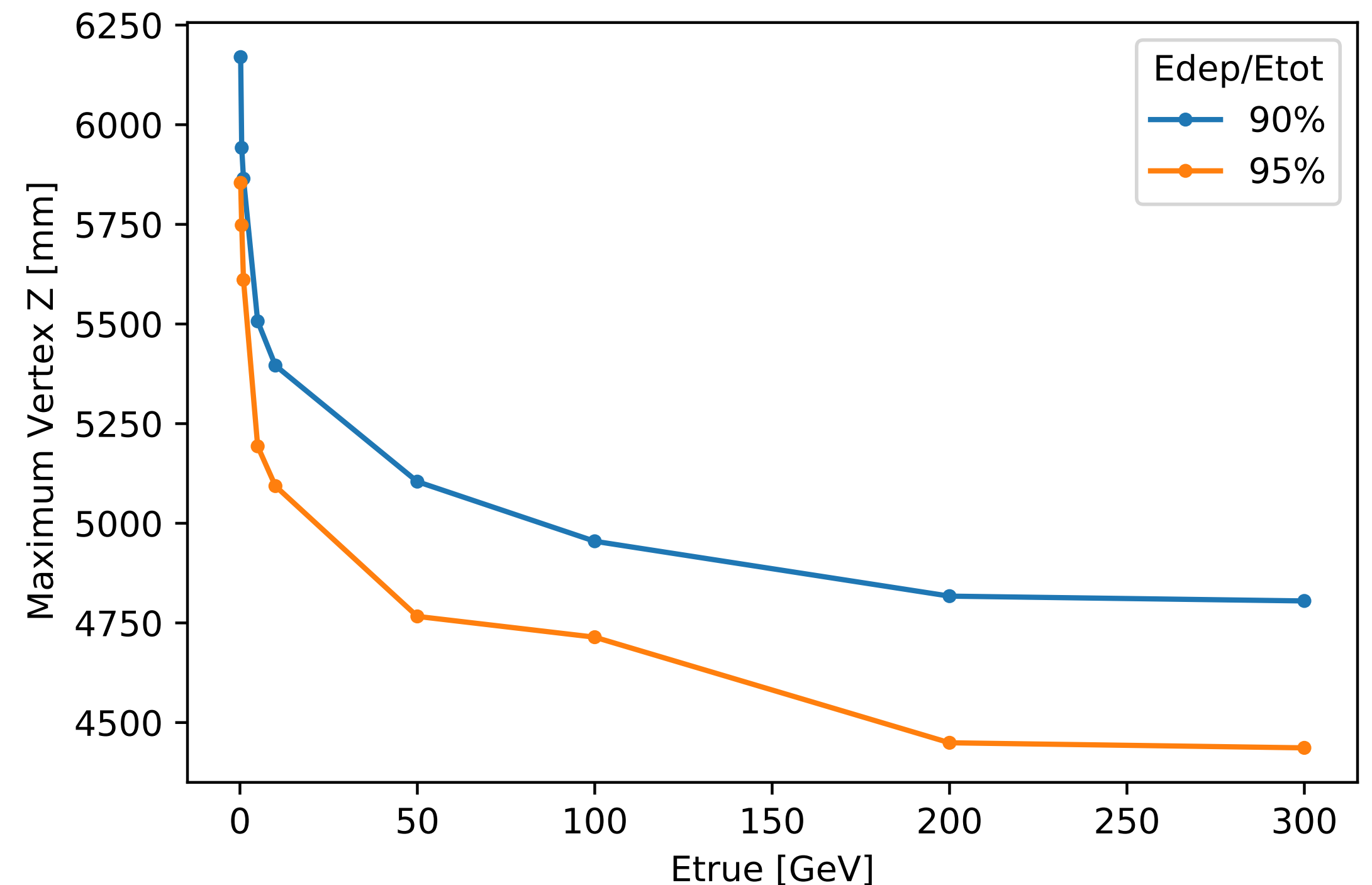
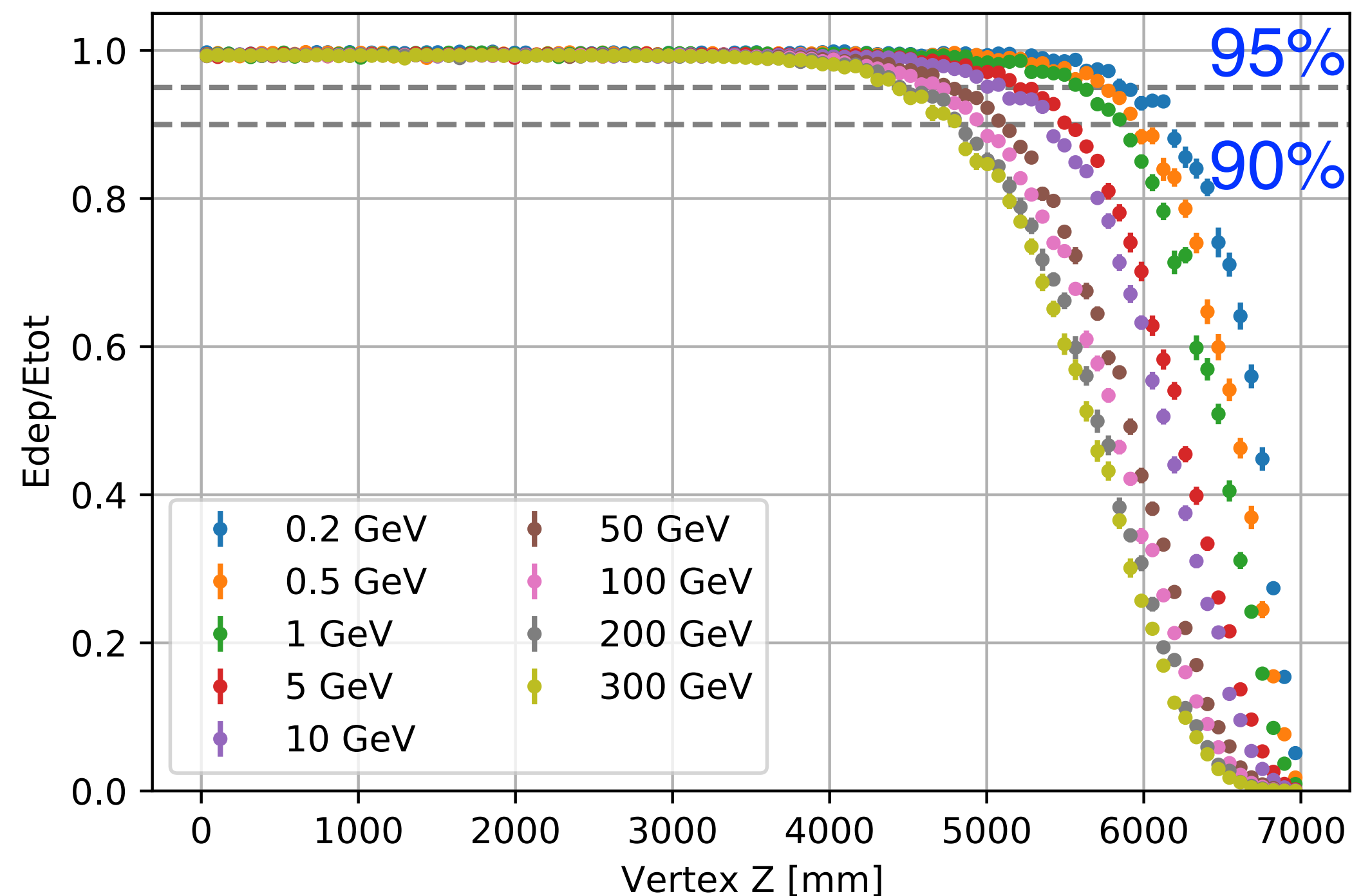
Detector Construction in Geant4

- A simple cuboid detector made up of LAr
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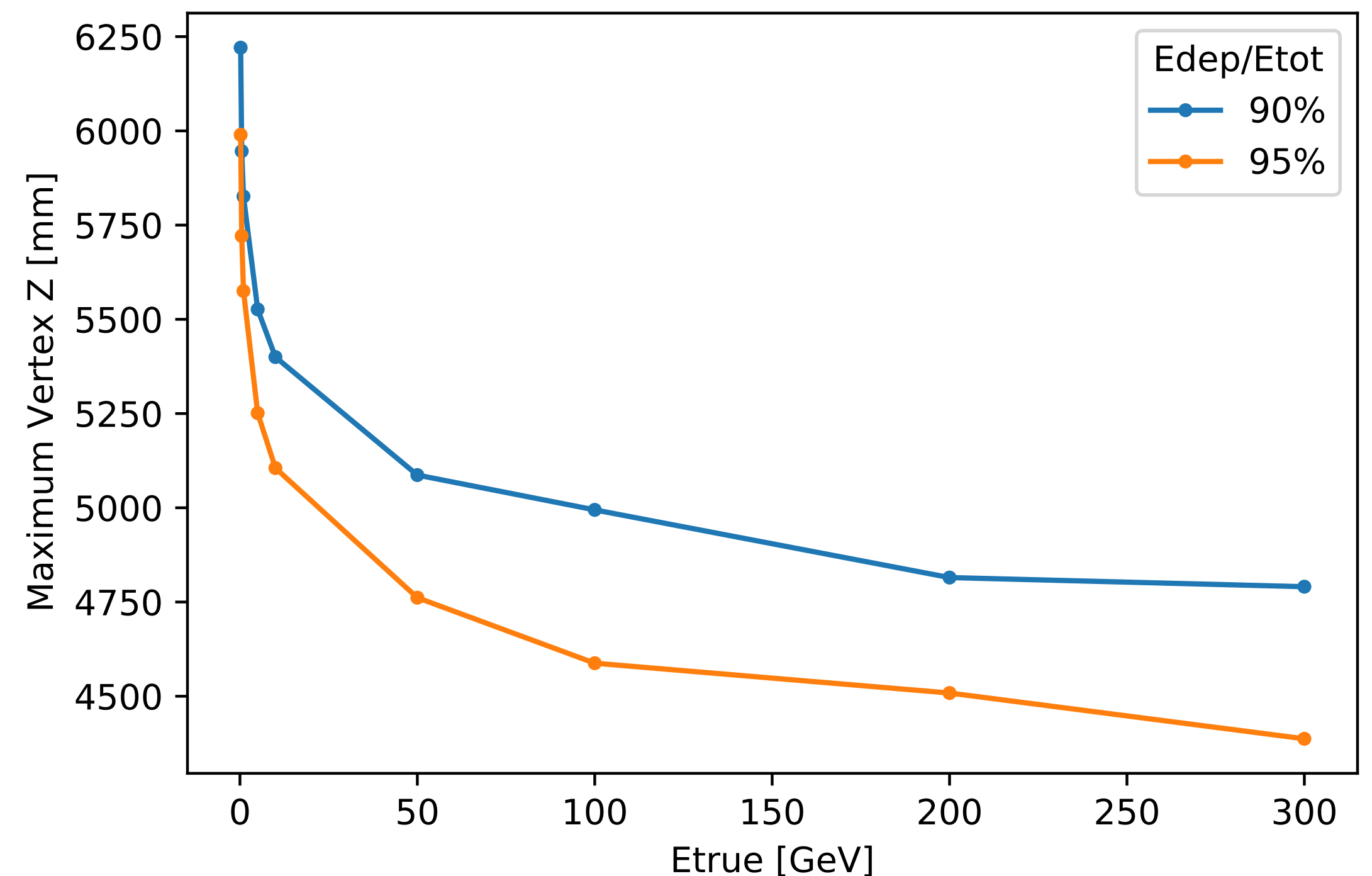
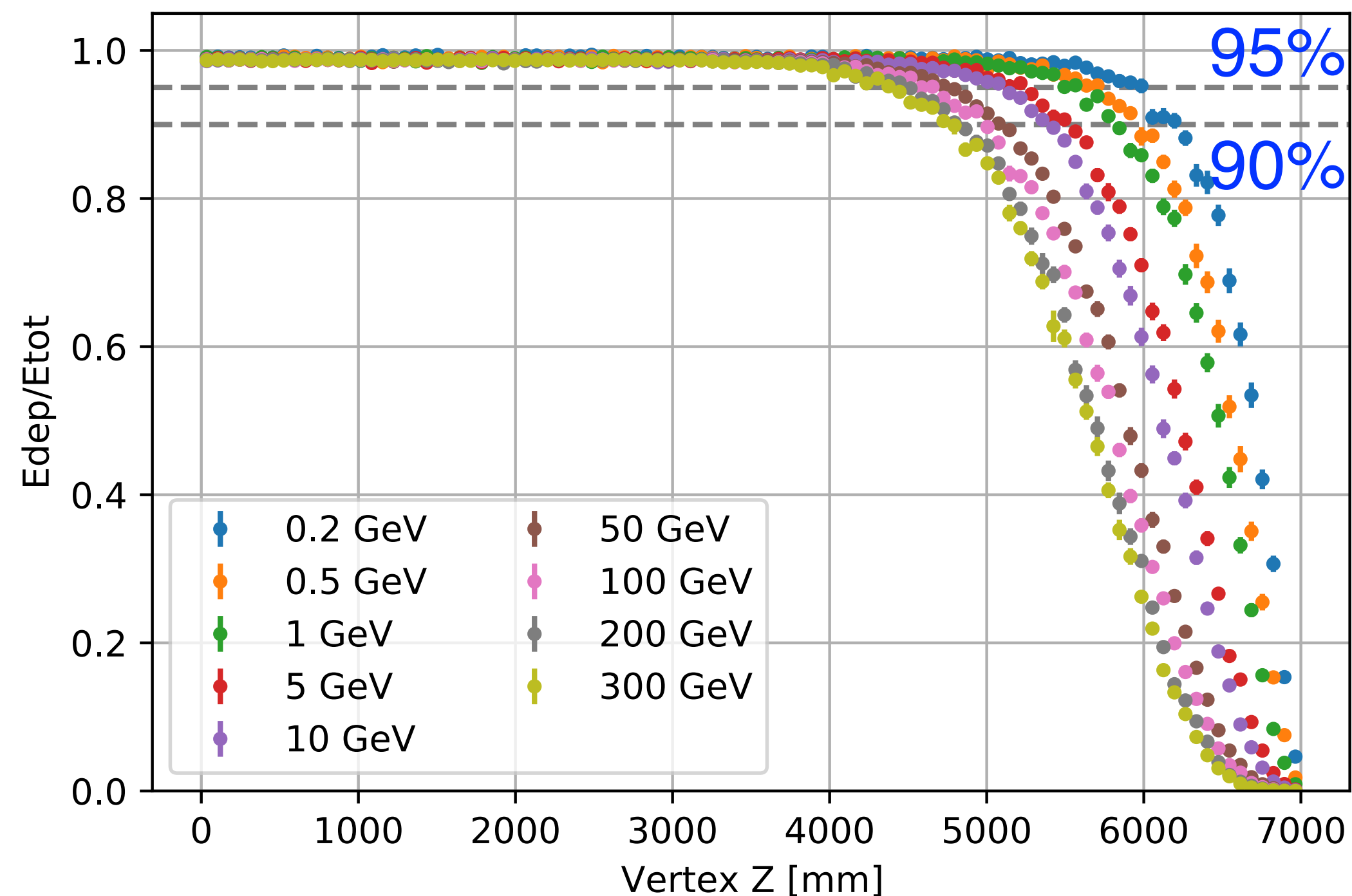
Energy deposition

- Size configuration: 1.5x1.5x7 m
 - Left: The fraction of energy deposited inside the LAr region V.S. electron vertex Z
 - Right: Maximum vertex Z that can contain 90% (95%) of the energy V.S. true electron energy



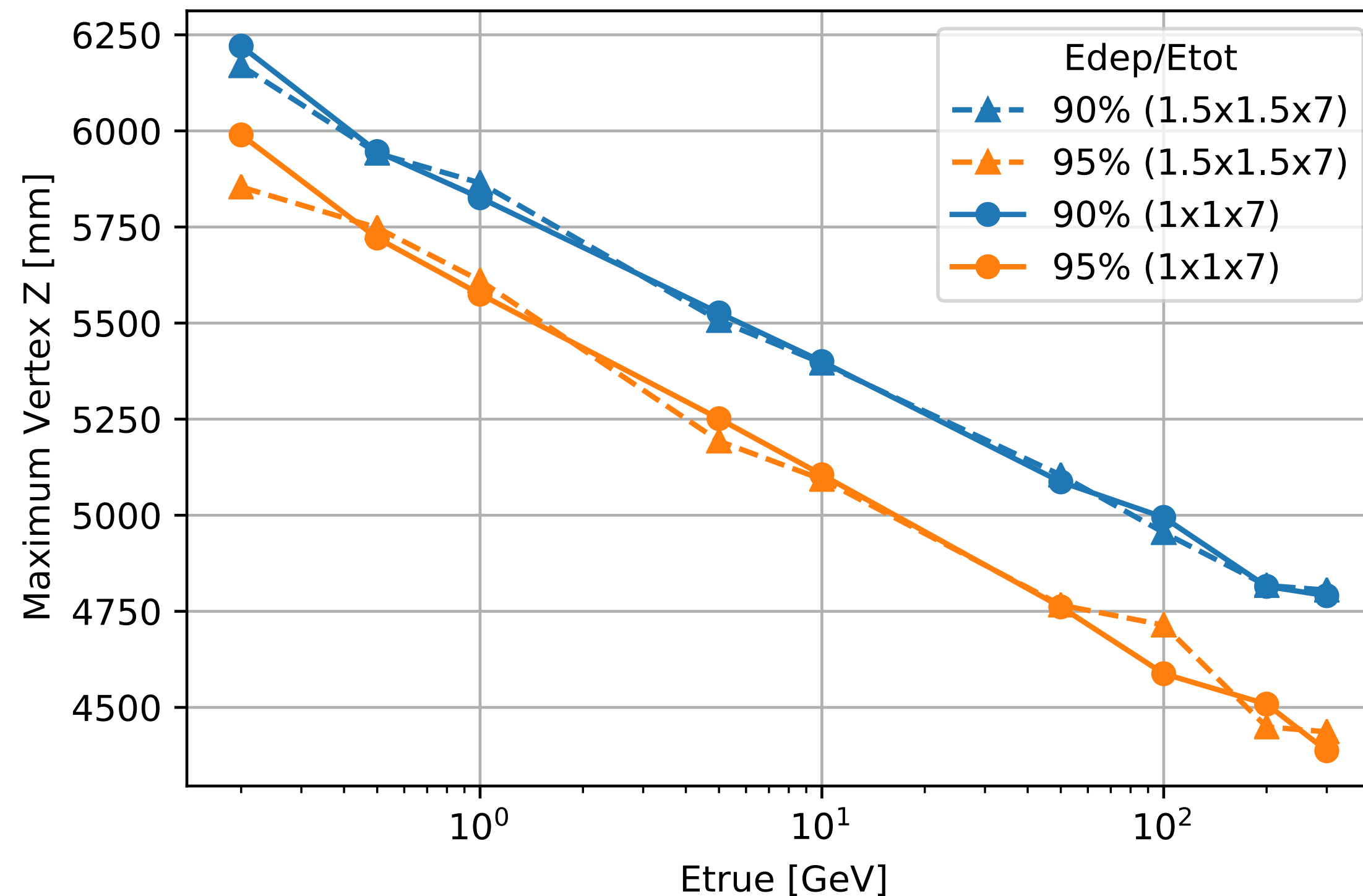
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- Similar plot for the size configuration: **1x1x7 m**
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90% and 95% energy containment

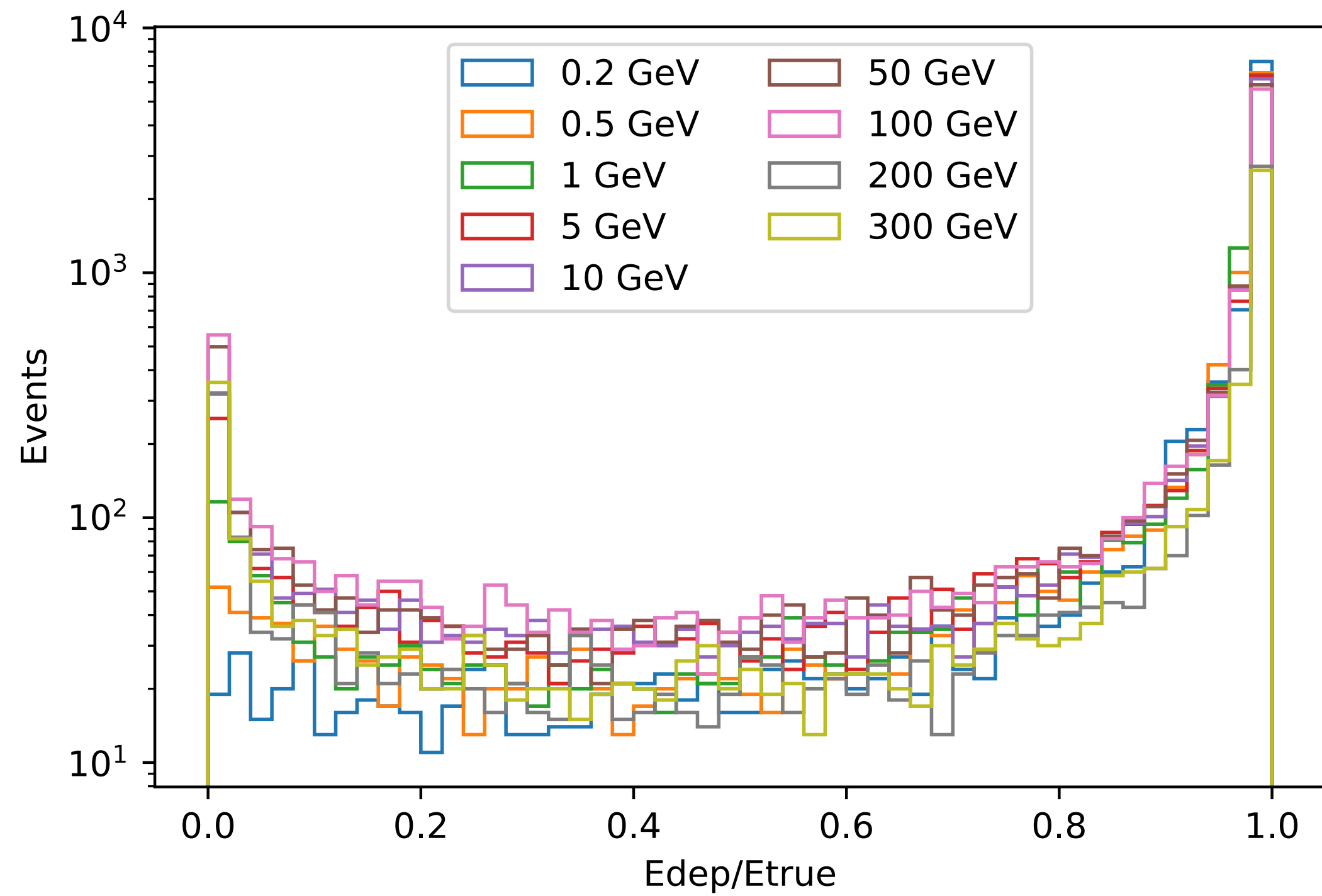
- Comparison of two size configurations
 - Two configurations have almost the same acceptance for EM shower up to 300 GeV
 - **300 GeV EM Shower with 95% E containment: $z < 4.4$ m, 90% E containment: $z < 4.8$ m**



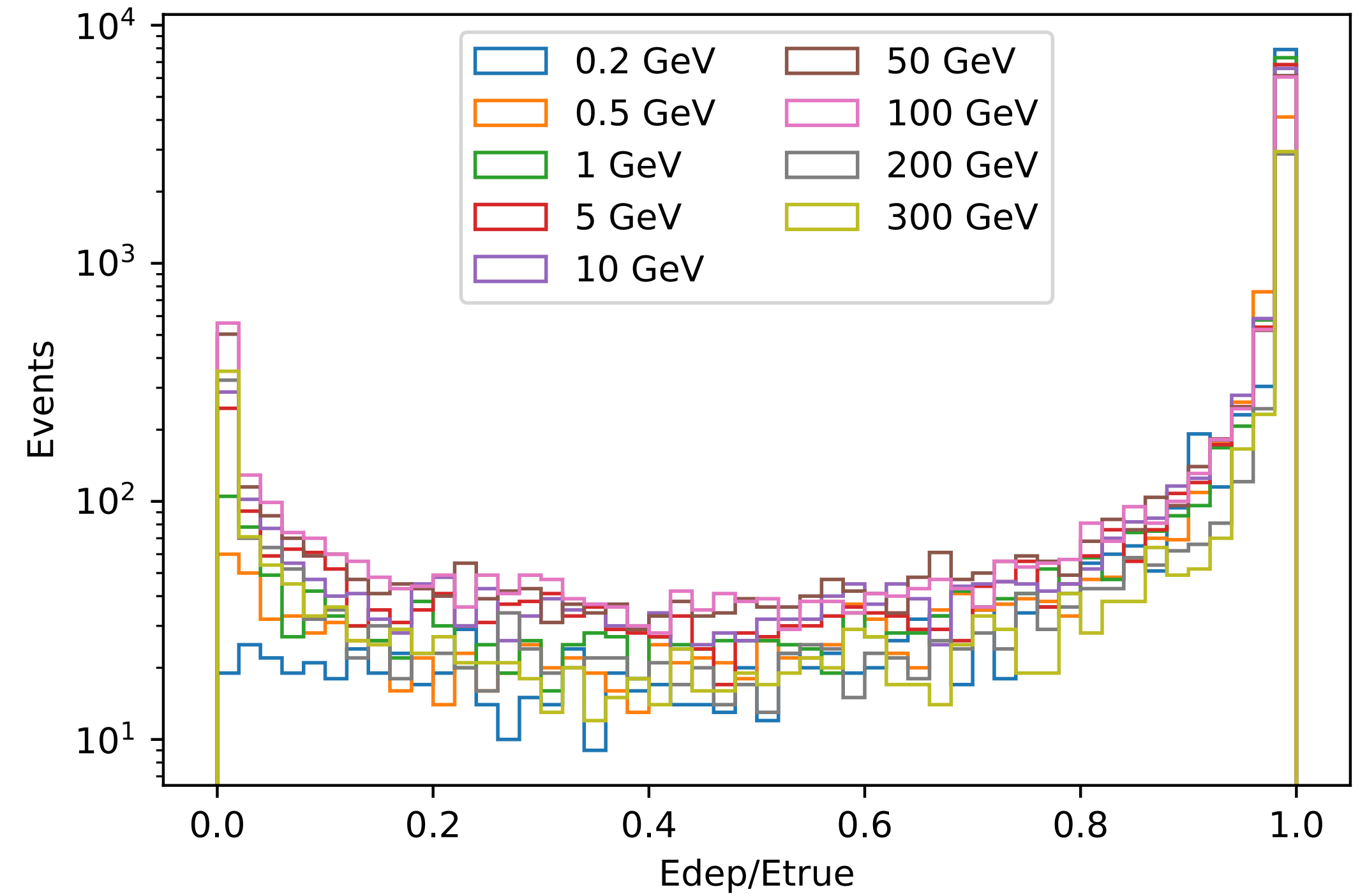
Fraction of Energy deposition

- The distribution of the fraction of deposited energy in the LAr at different energies

1x1x7

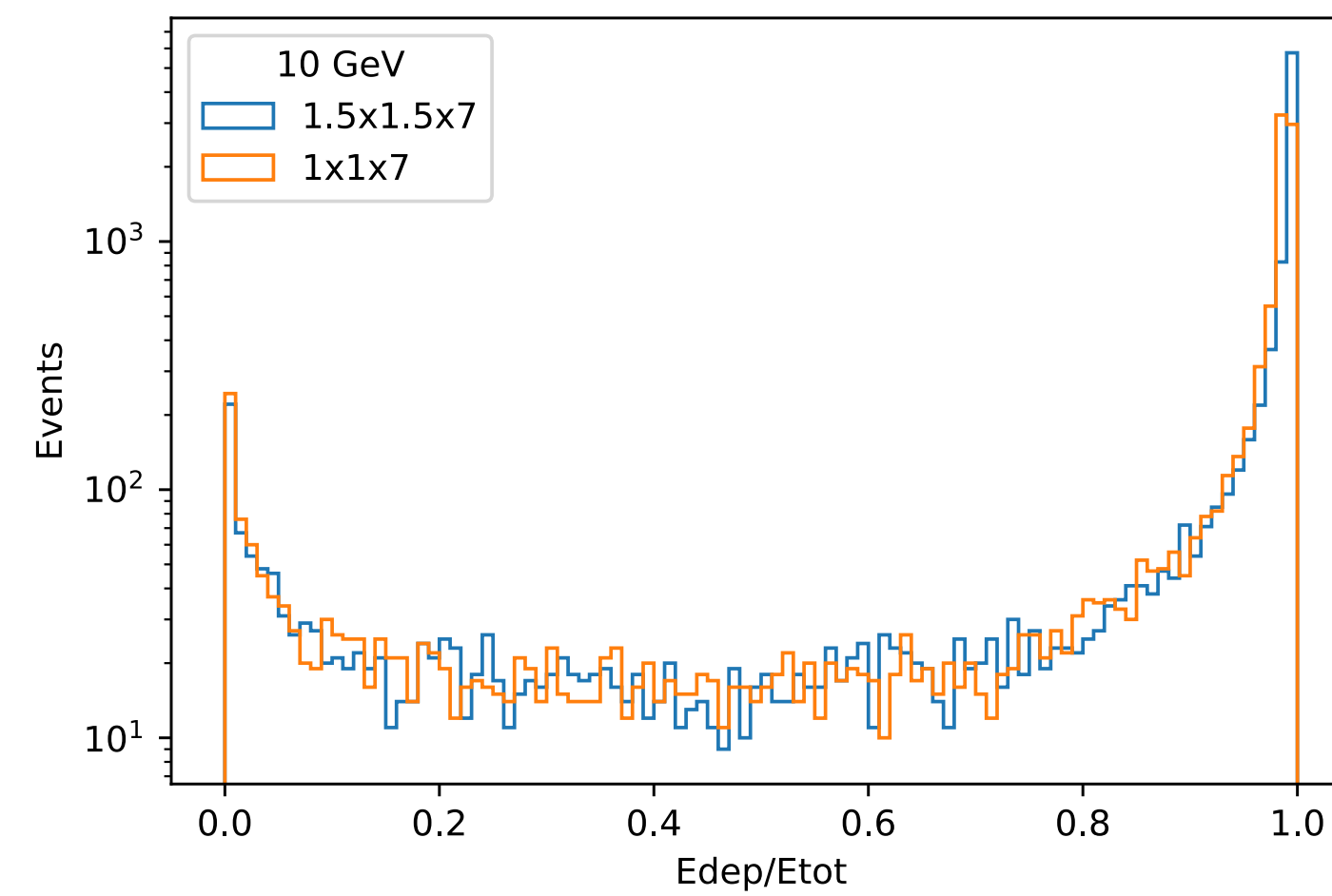
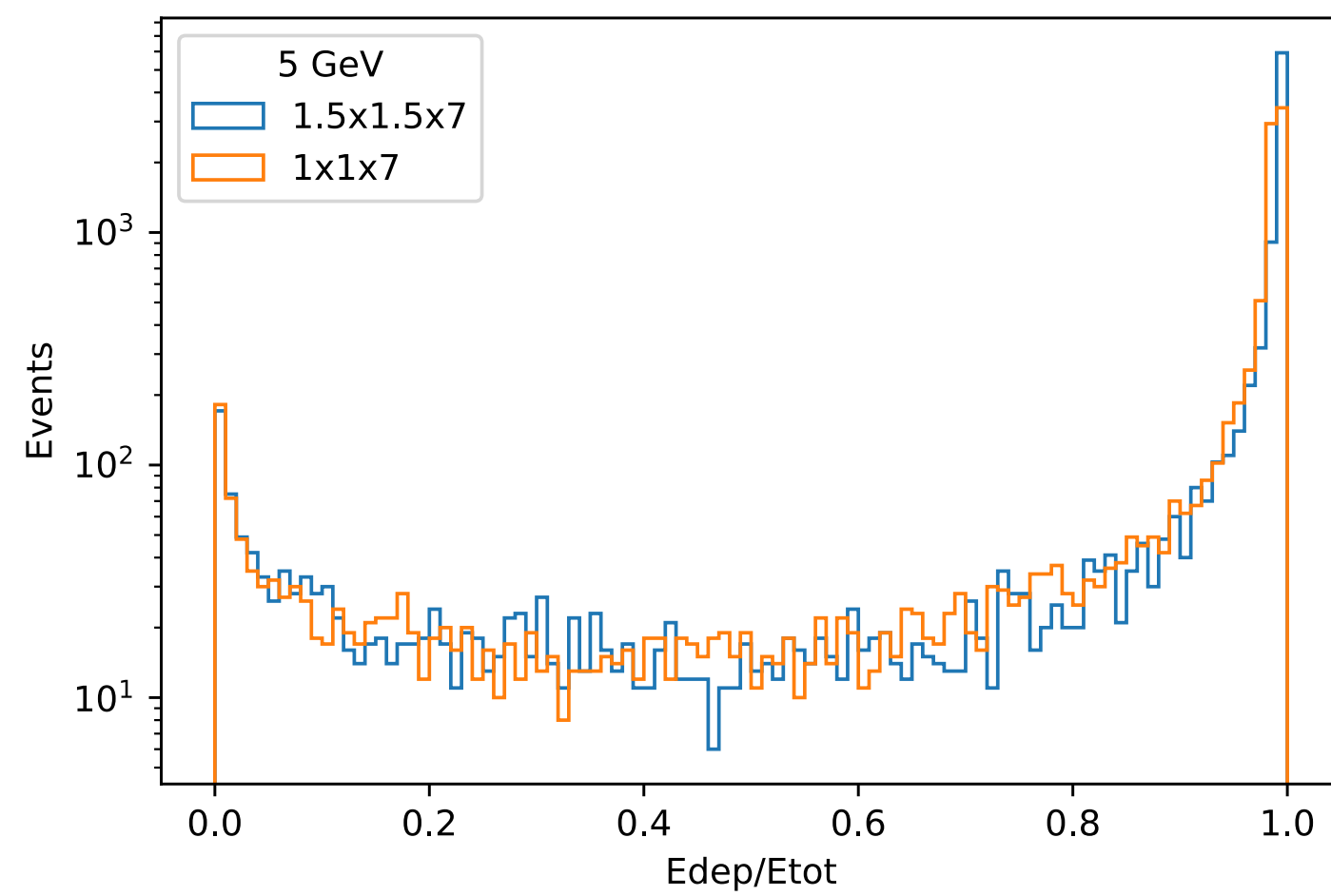
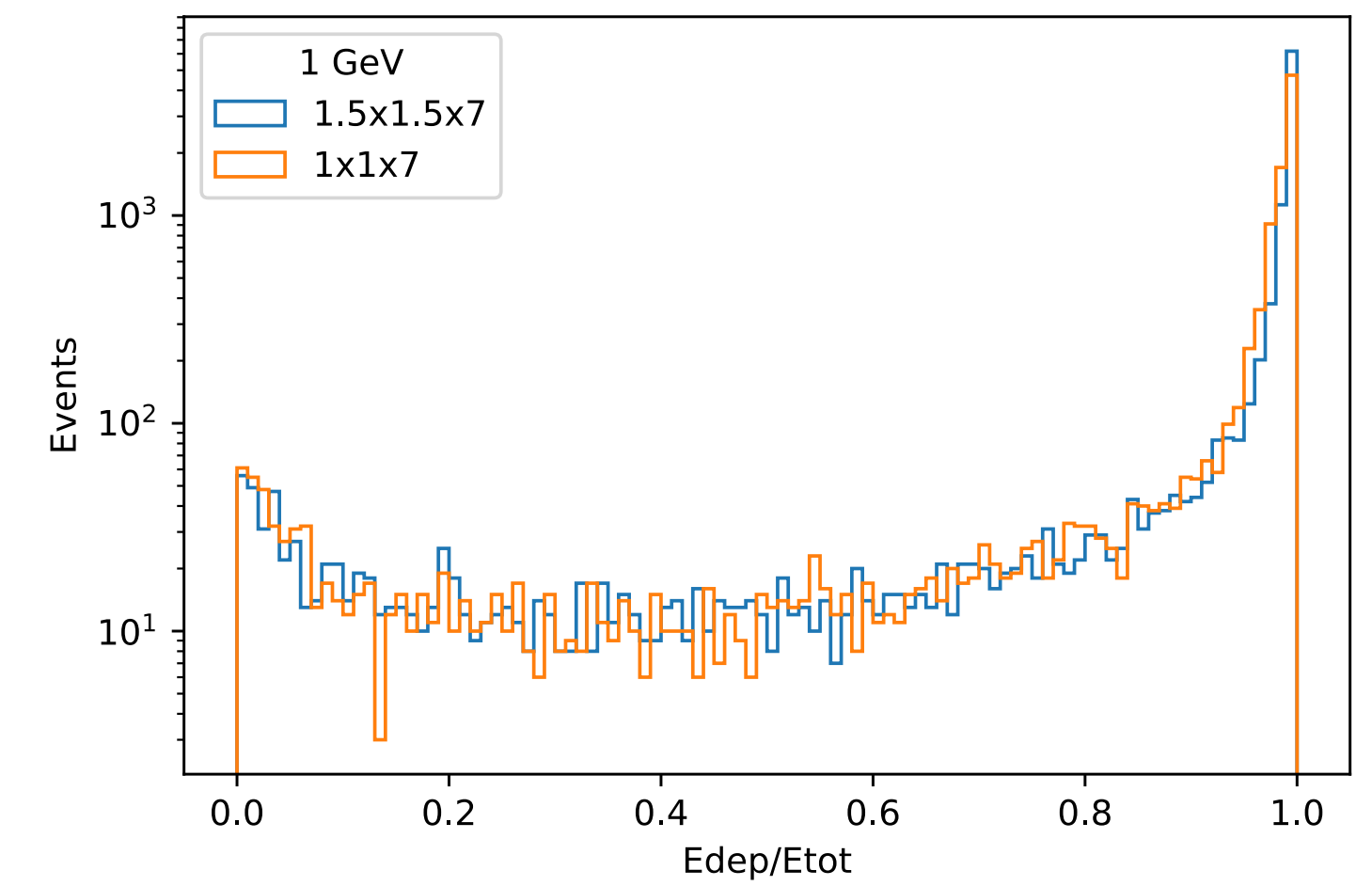
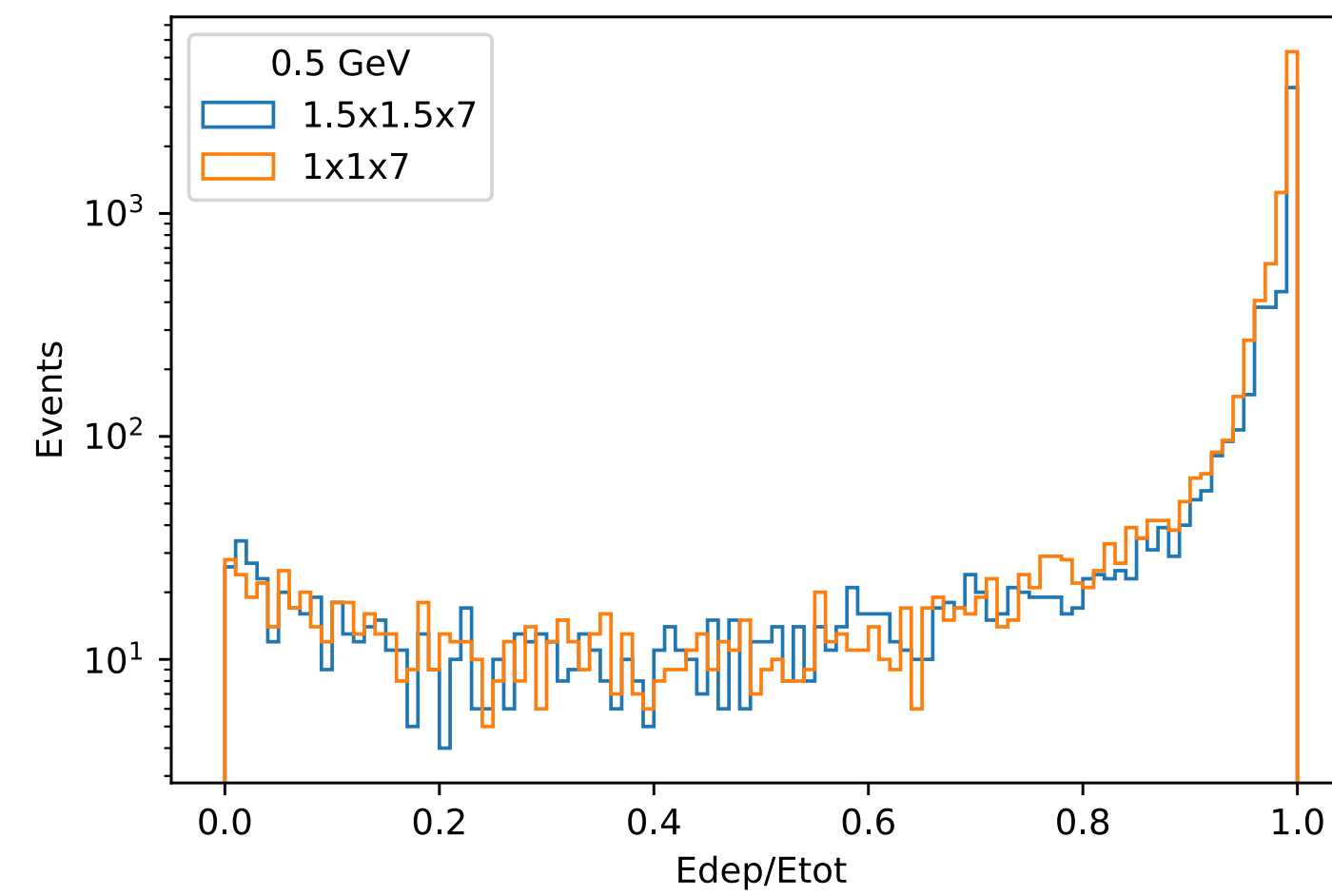
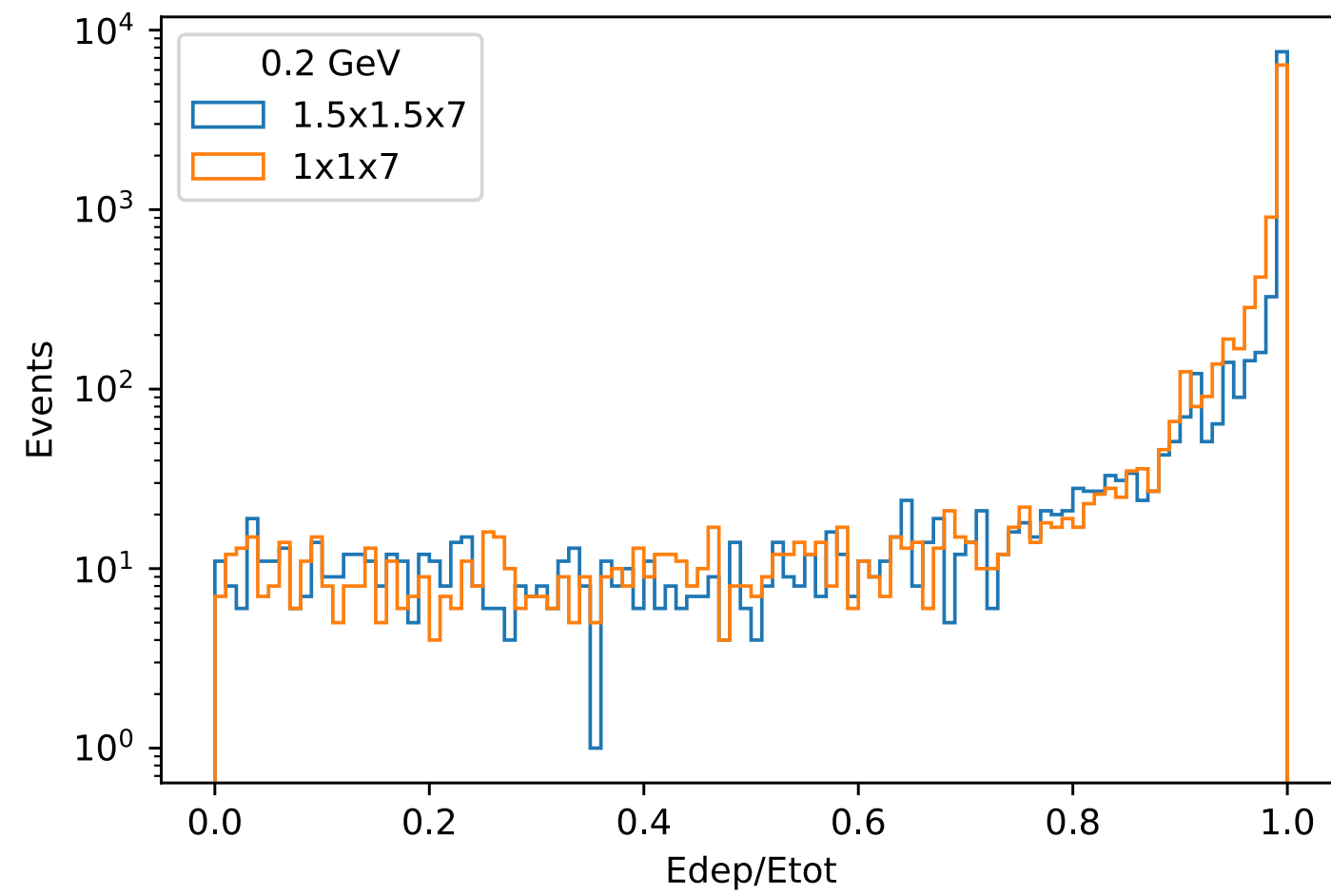


1.5x1.5x7



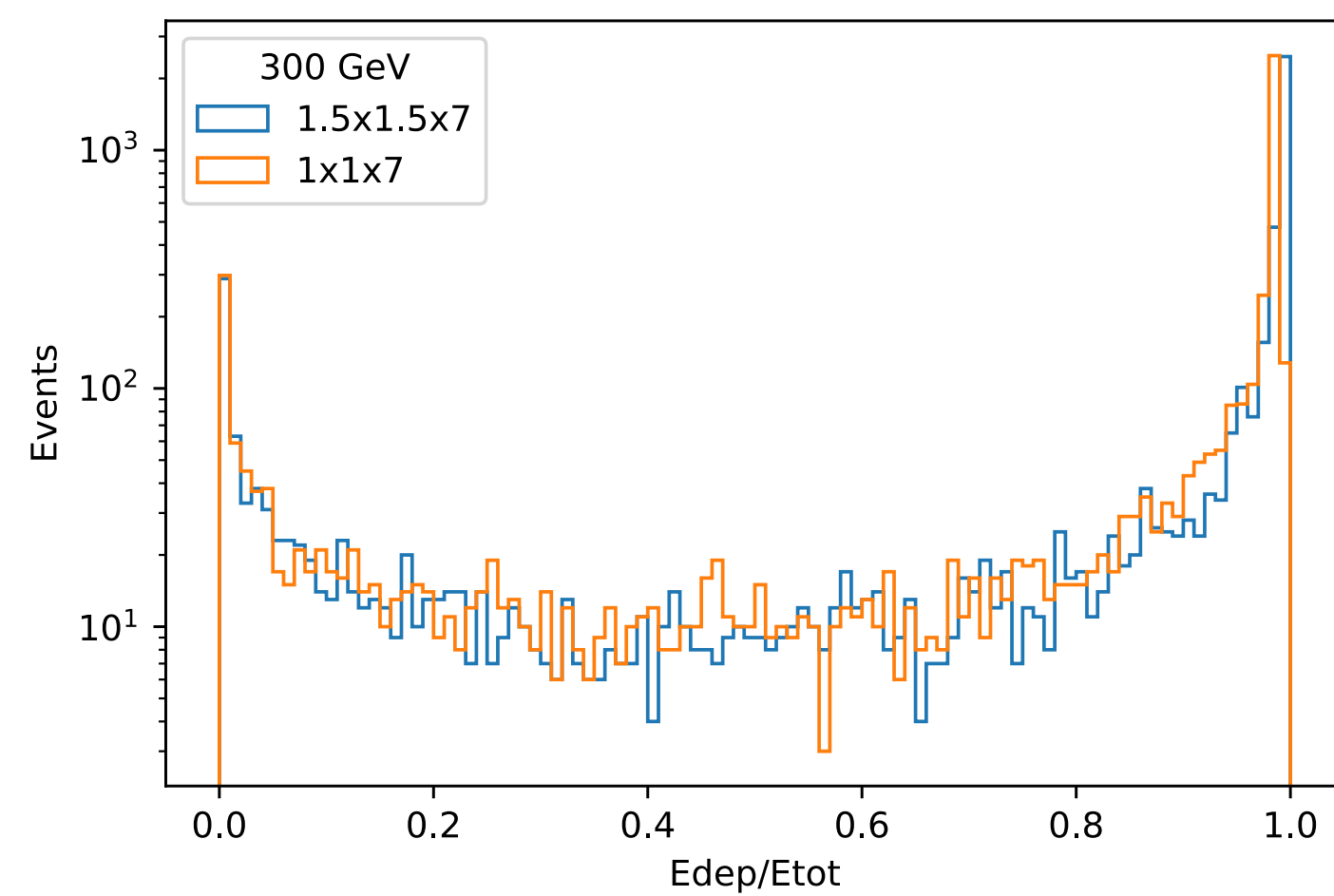
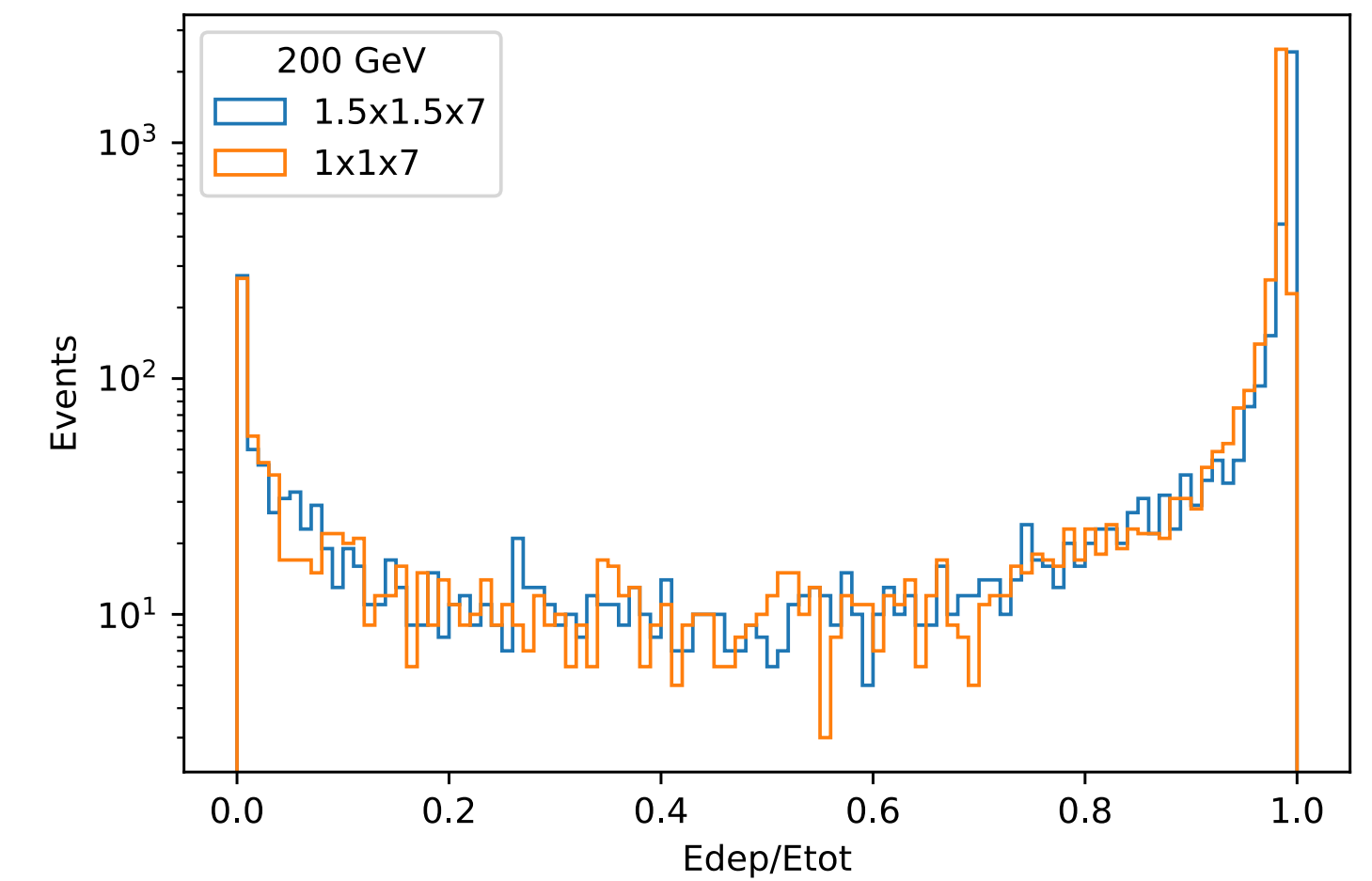
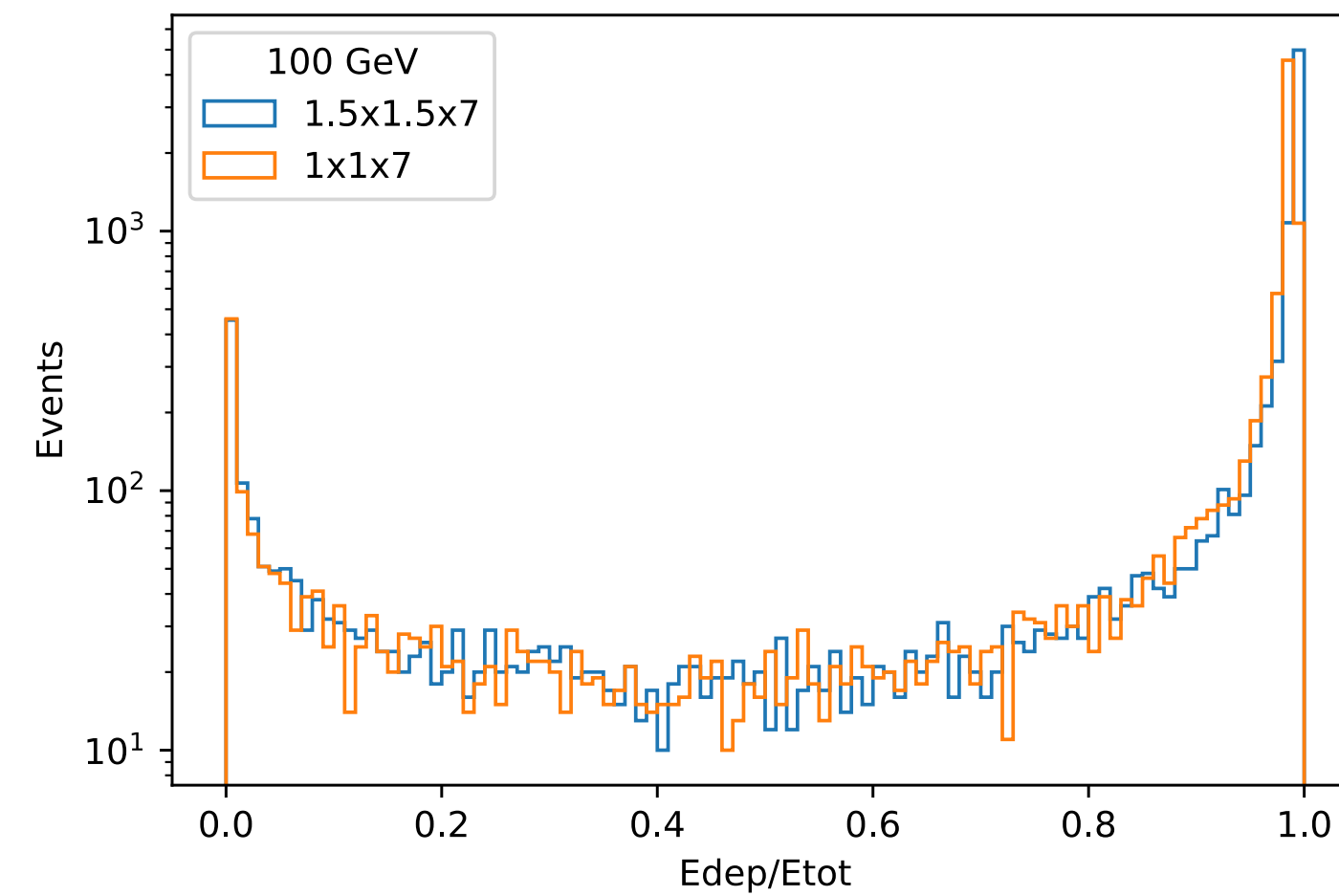
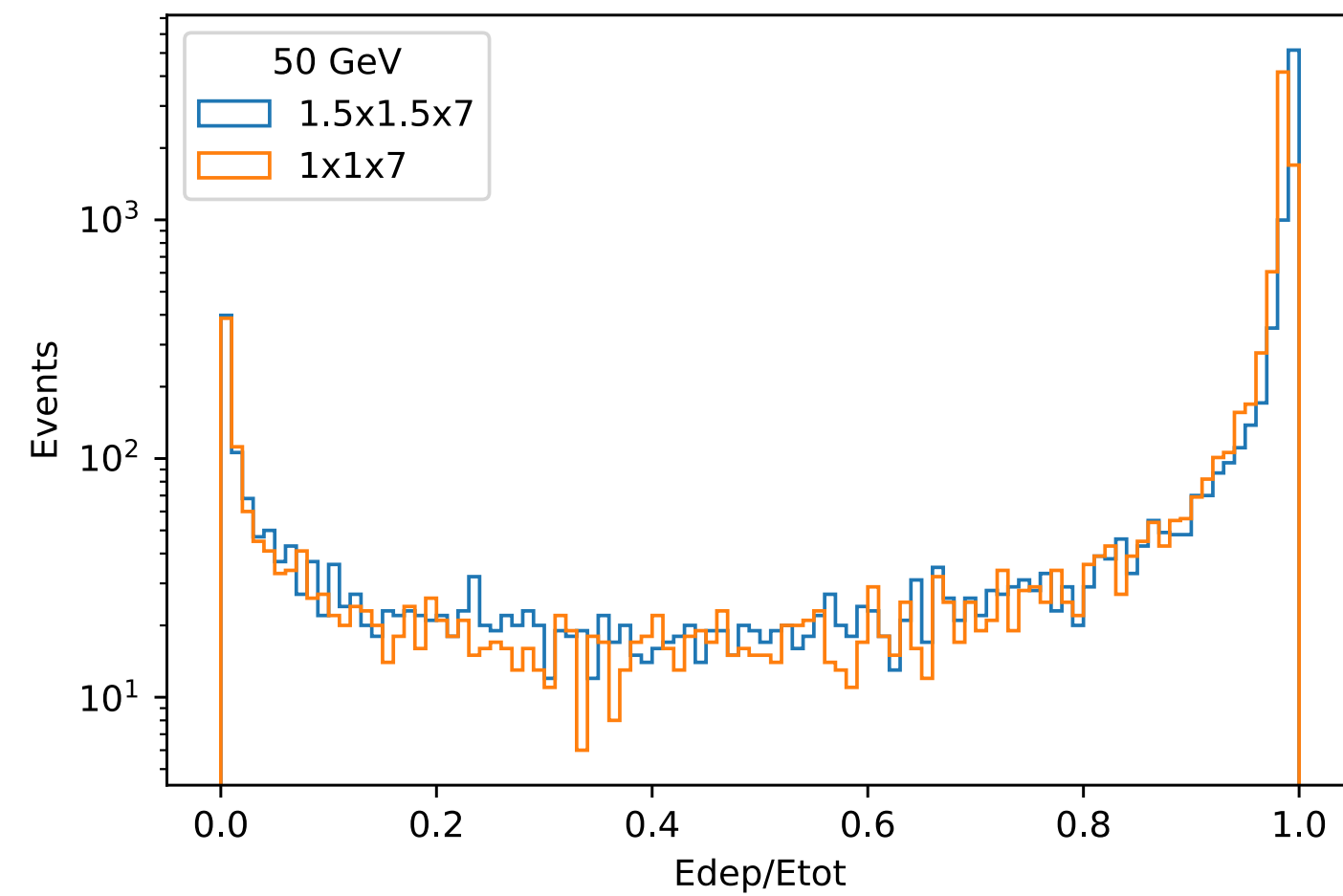
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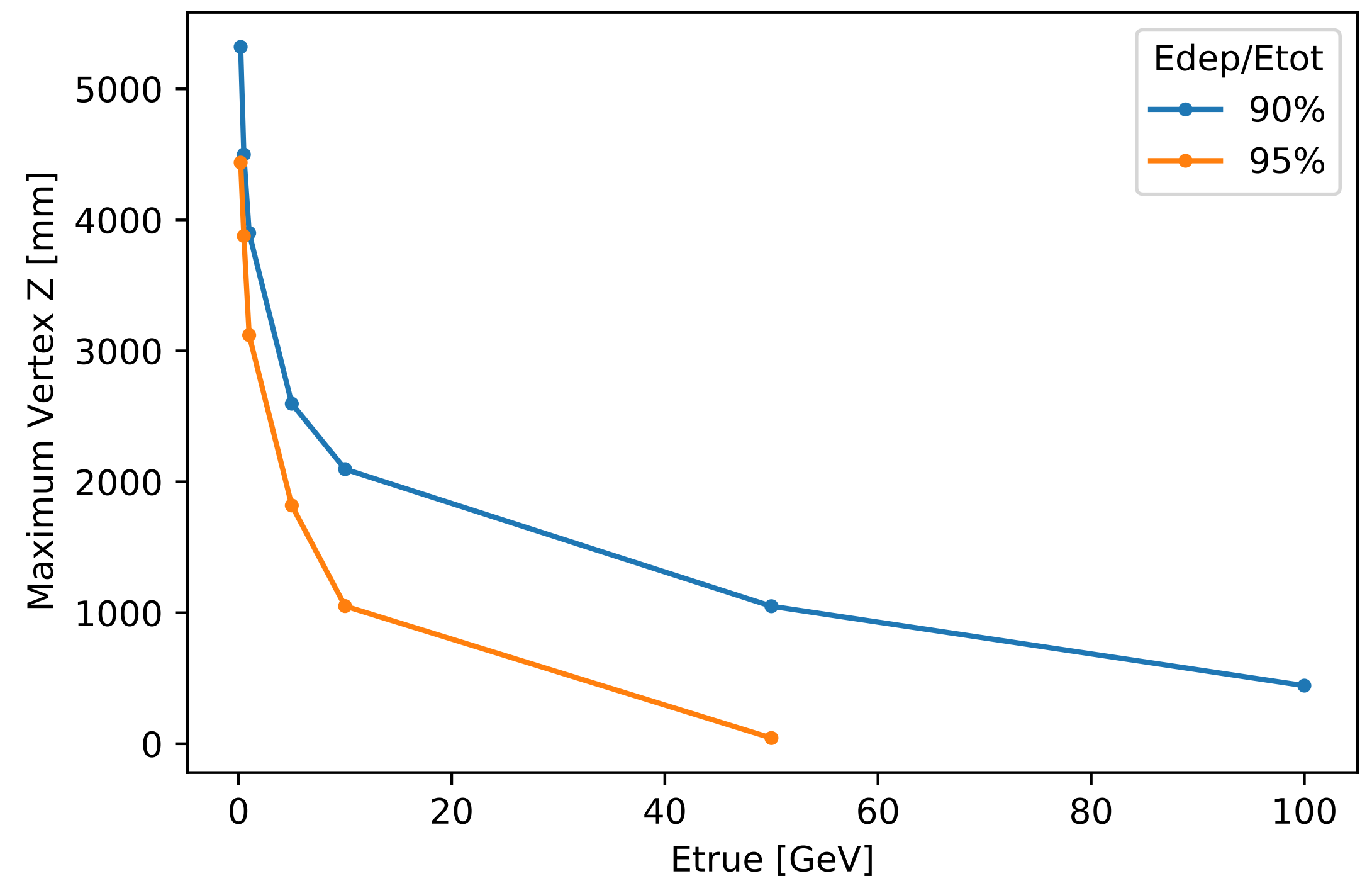
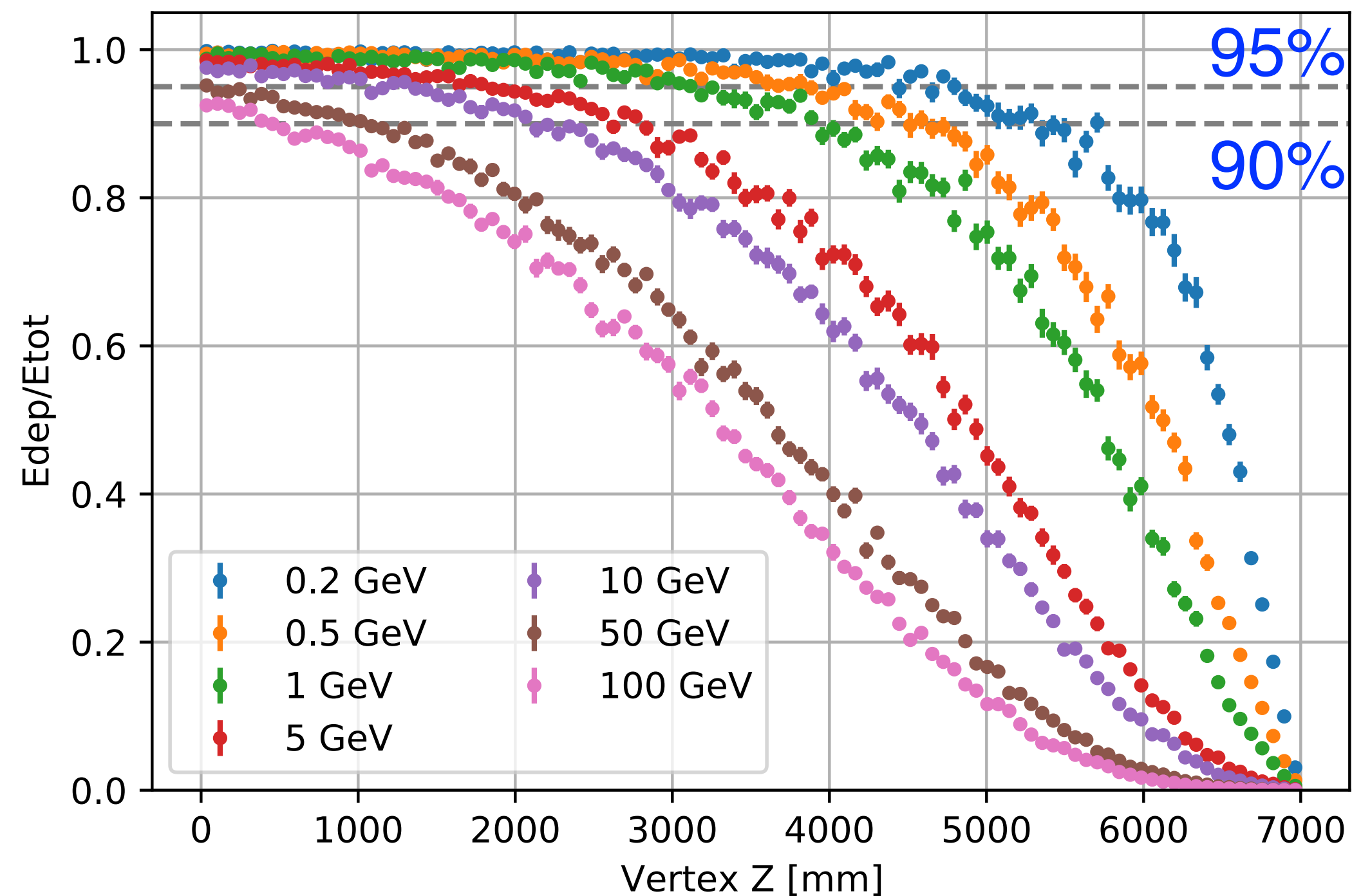
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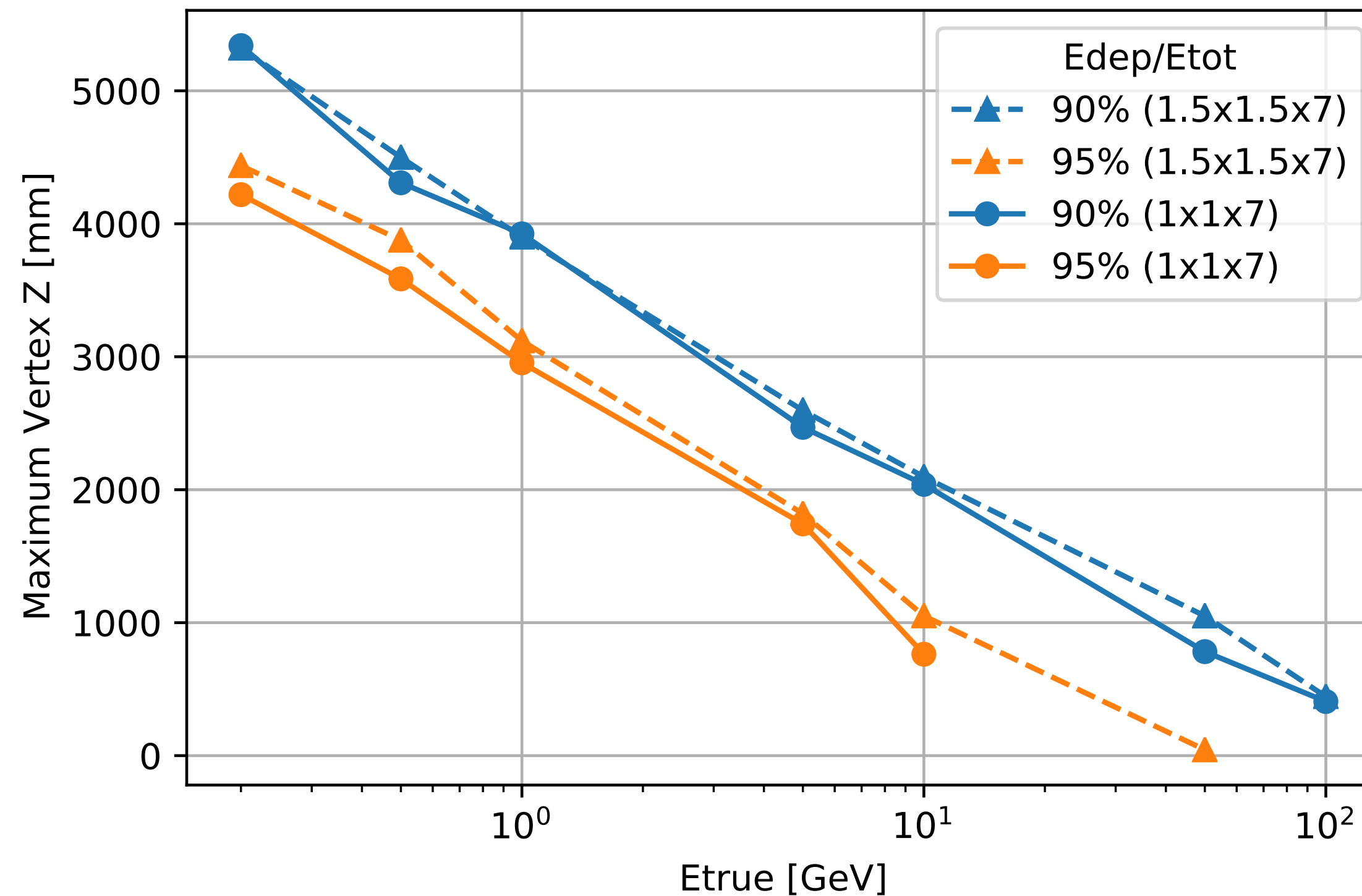
Energy deposition in Liquid Scintillator

- Size configuration: 1.5x1.5x7 m
 - LS is hard to contain high energy (>100 GeV) EM shower



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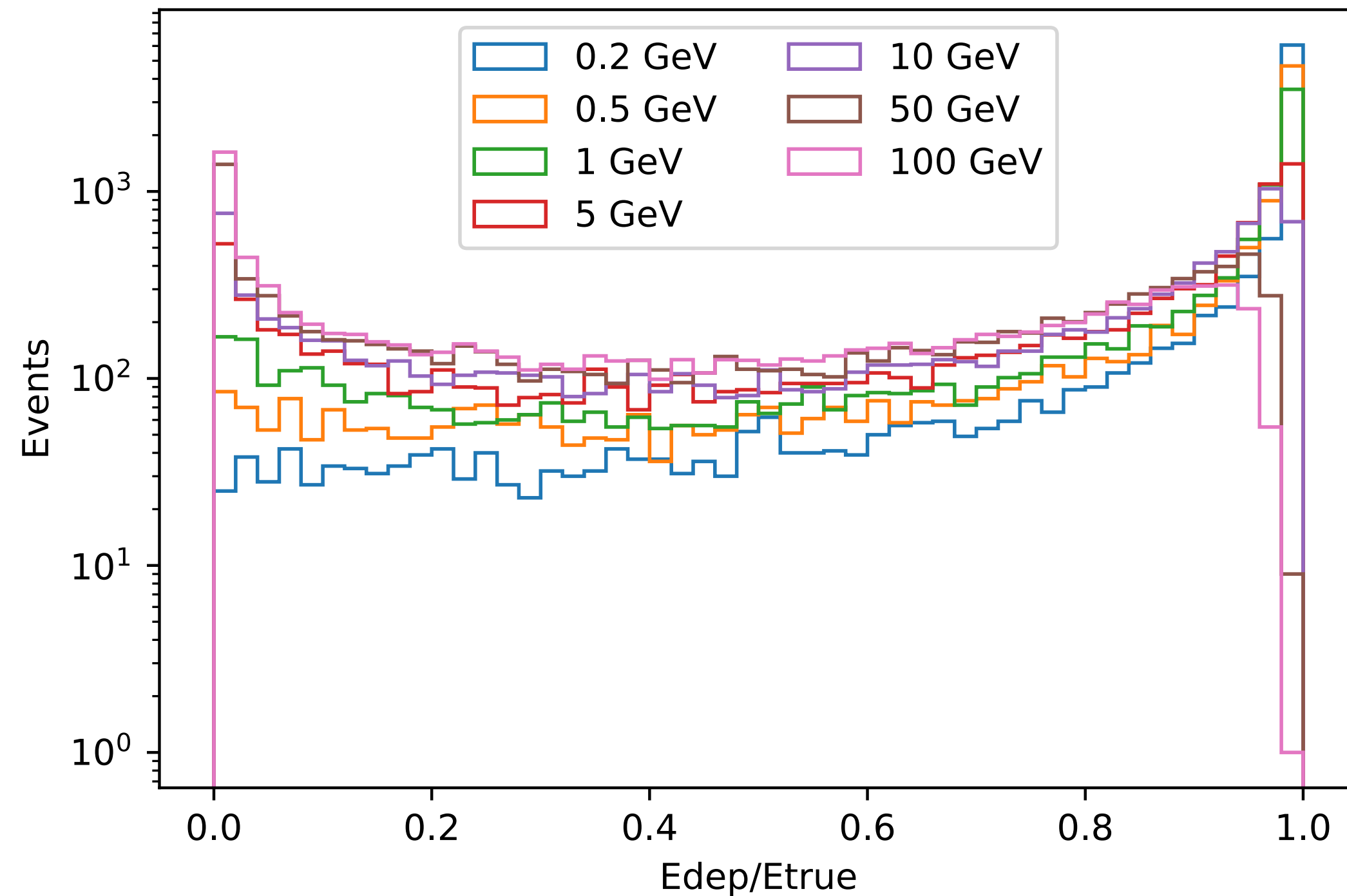
- Comparison of two size configurations
 - 1.5x1.5x7 has slightly better acceptance than 1x1x7
 - **100 GeV EM Shower with 90% E containment: $z < 0.44$ m**



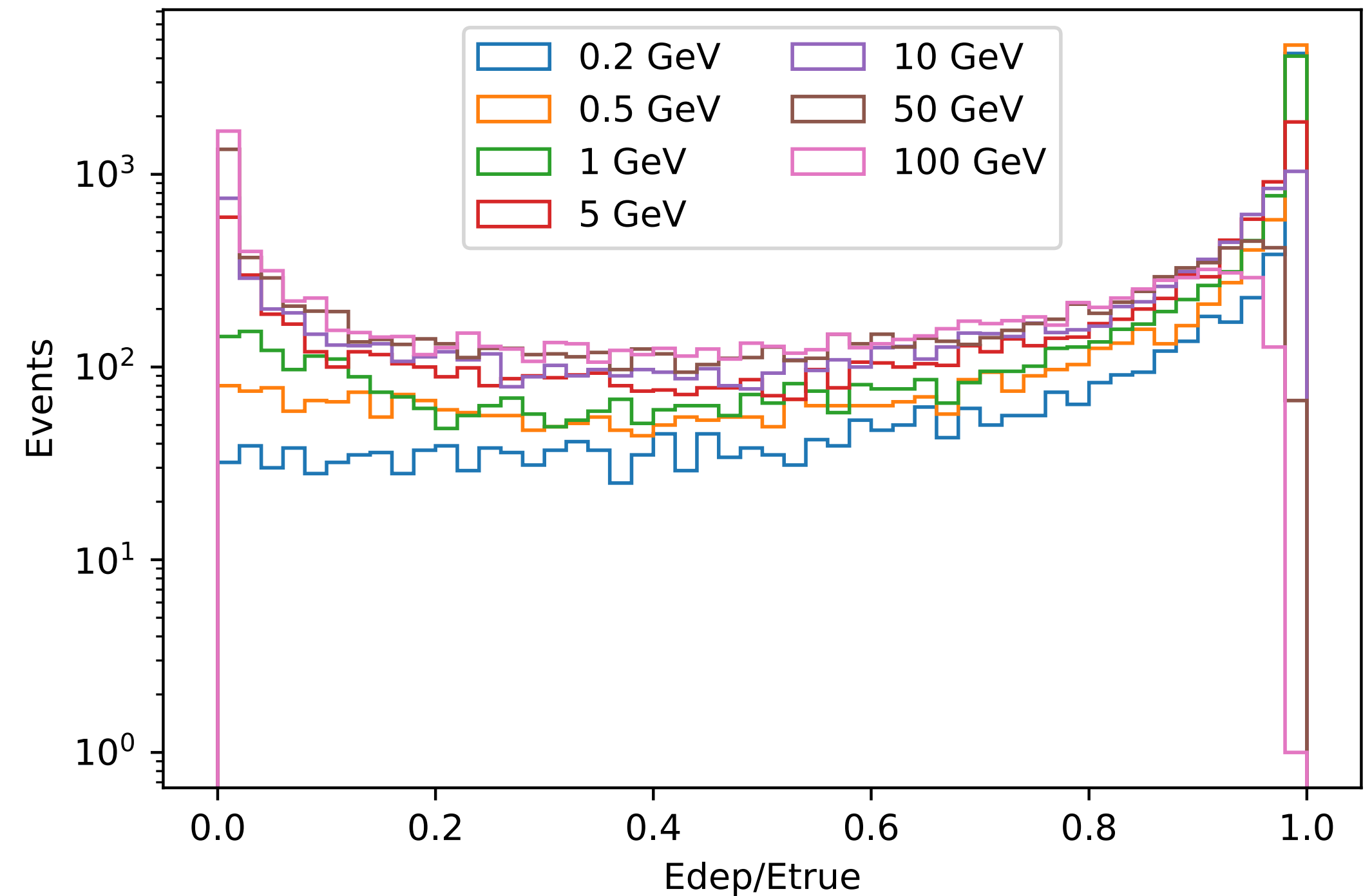
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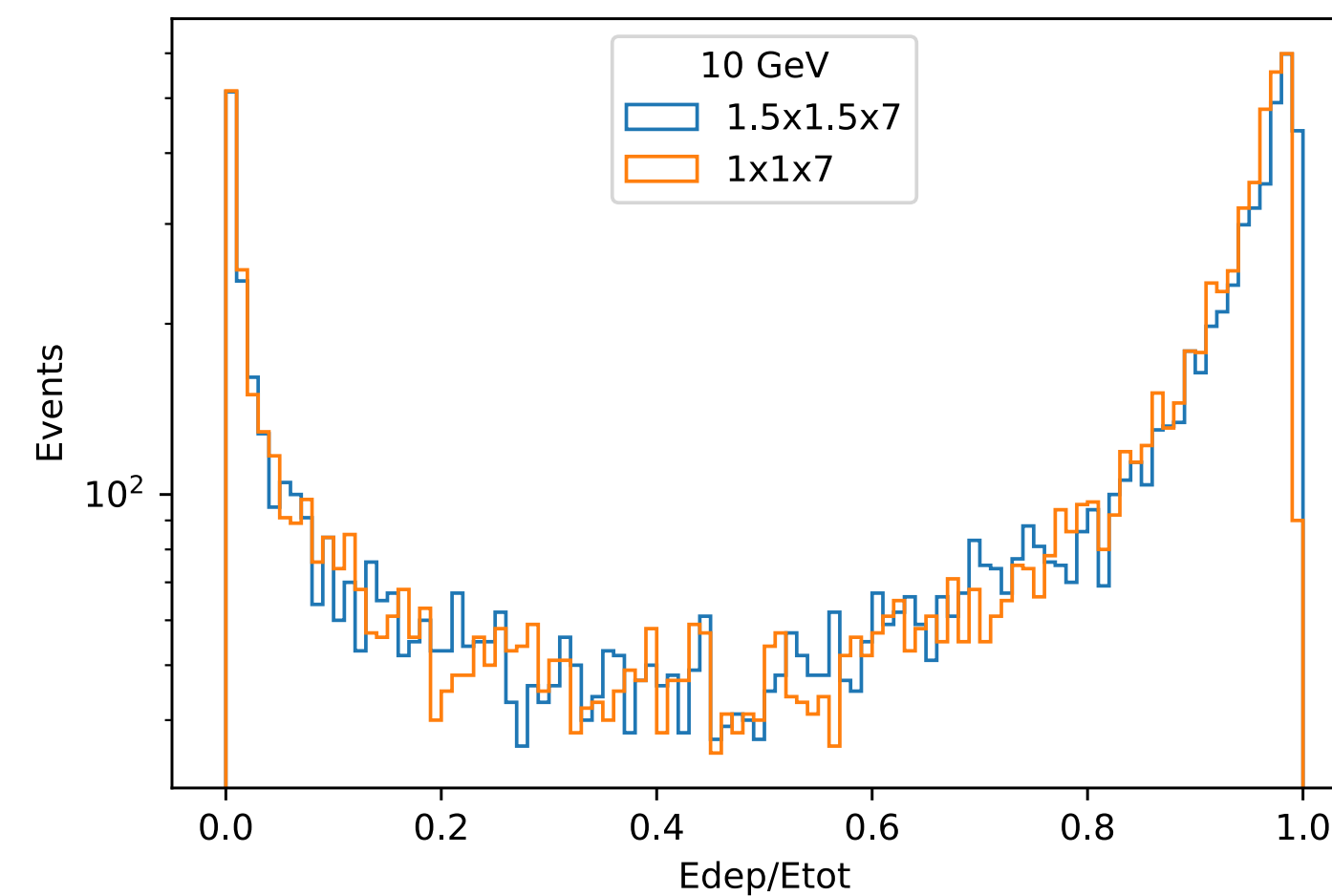
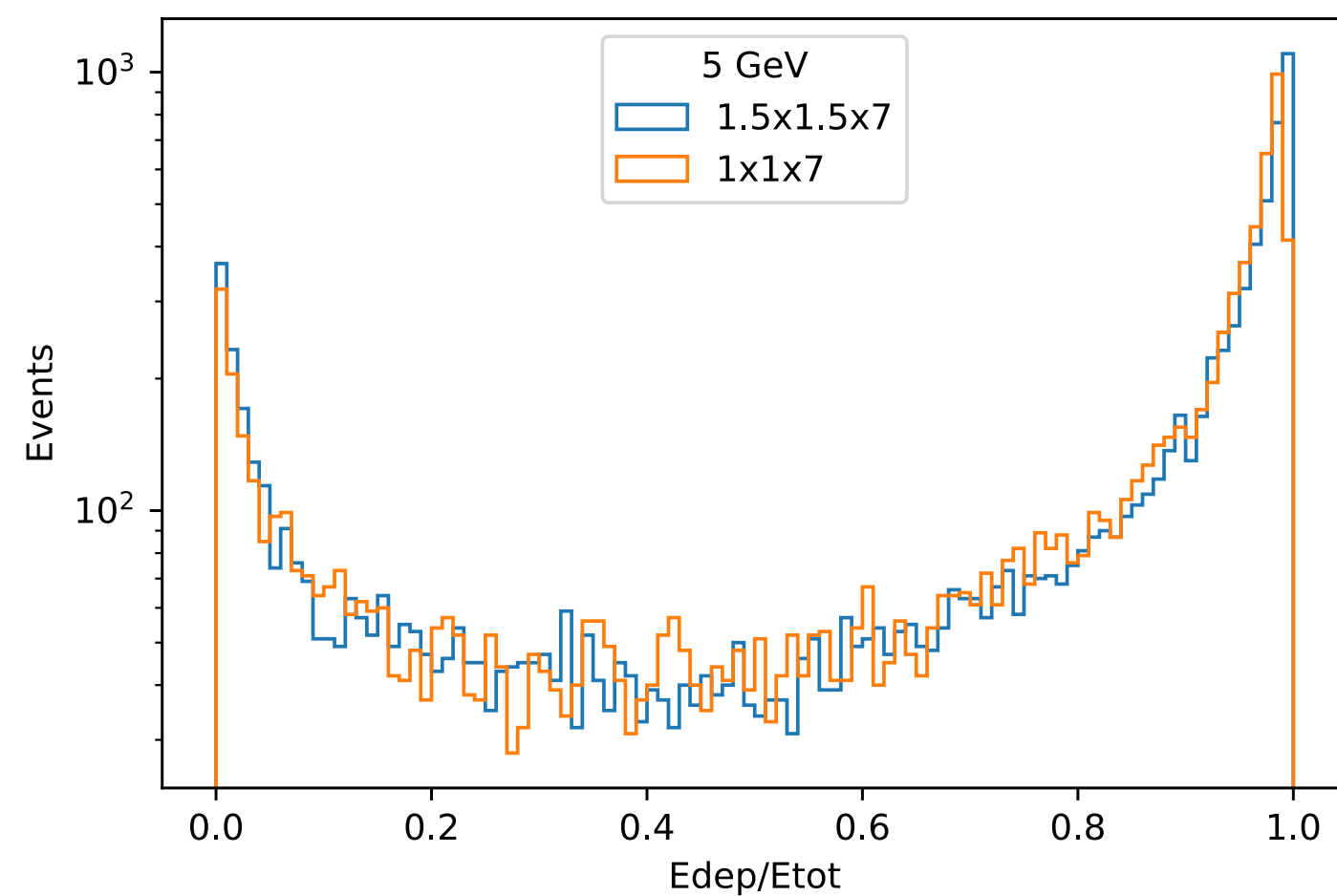
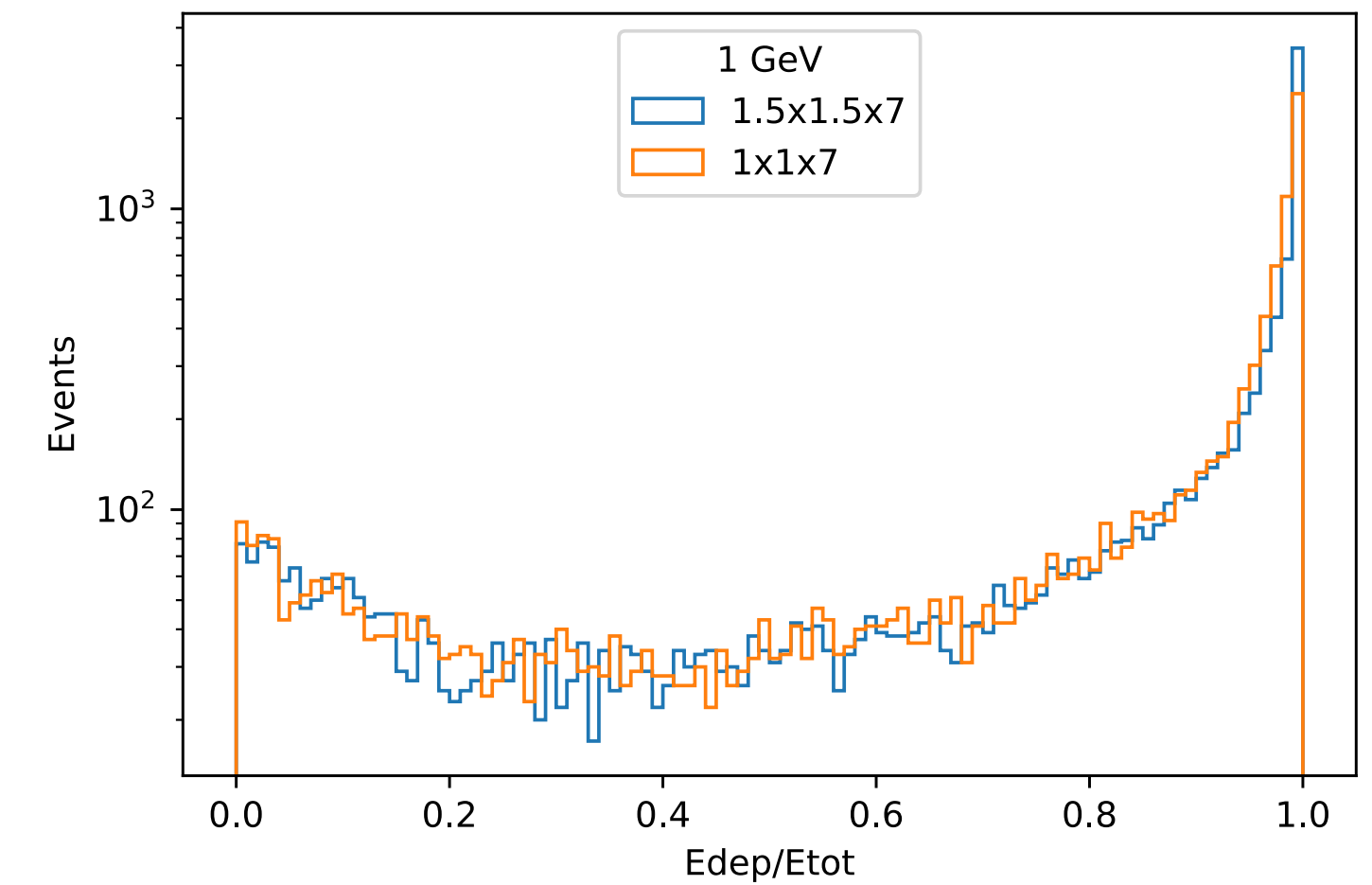
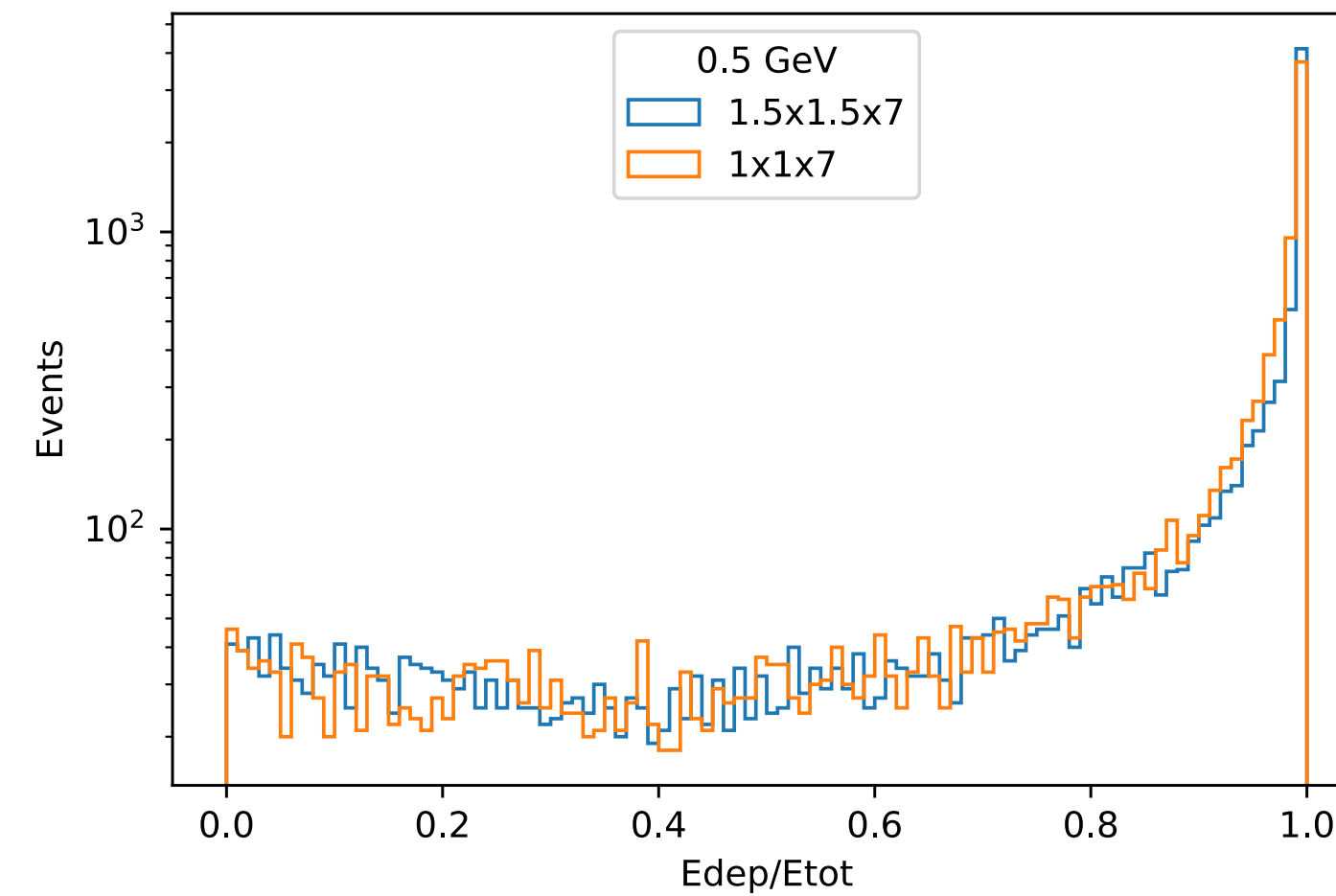
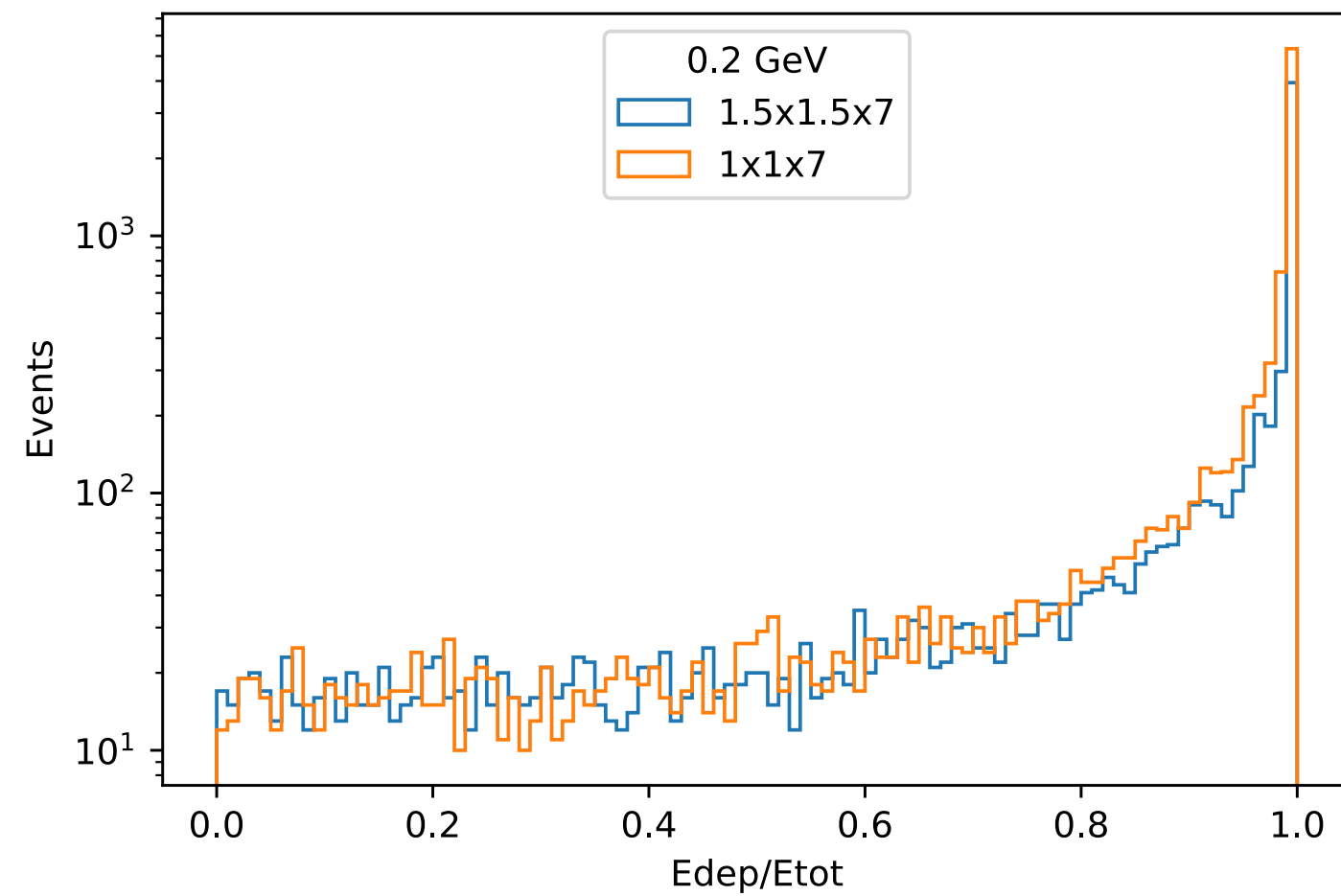


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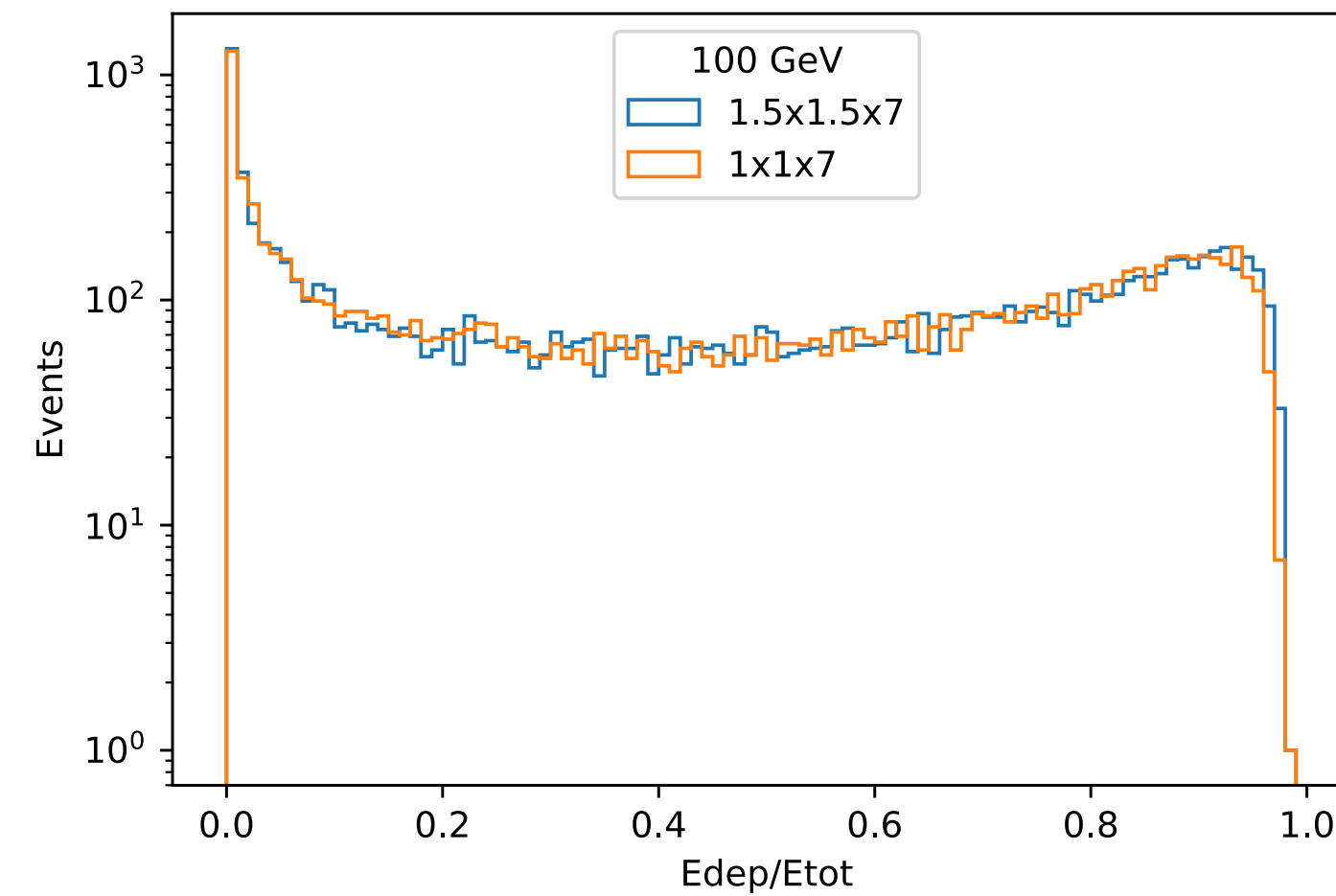
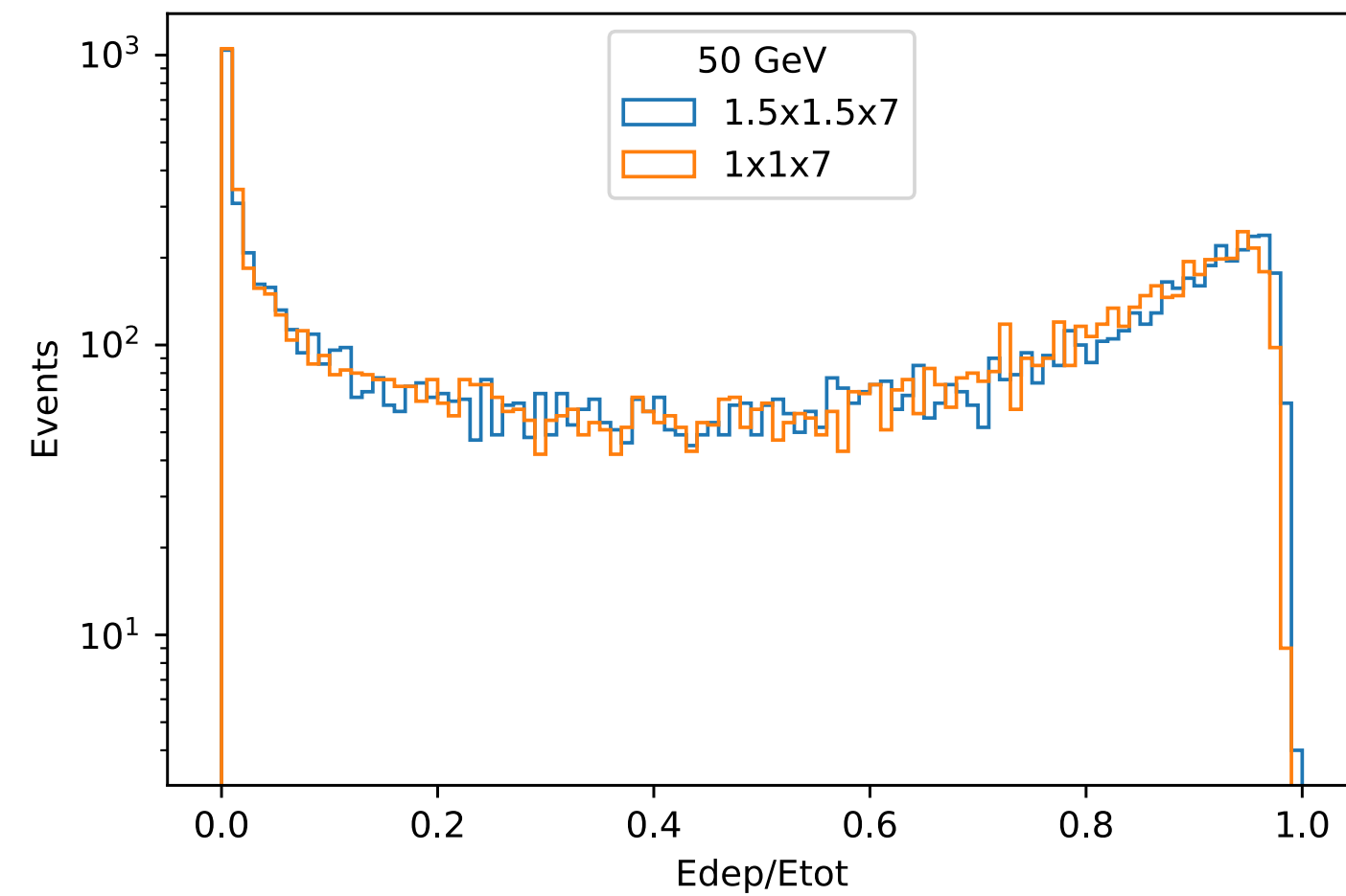
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Summary

- LAr detector with the size of 1.5x1.5x7 (or 1x1x7) can effectively contain high energy EM shower
 - 300 GeV EM Shower with 95% E containment: $z < 4.4$ m, 90% E containment: $z < 4.8$ m
- This simulation only have electrons in the +Z direction, so we might need to consider more scenarios like beam spread and angle smearing in order to have a more comprehensive result