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μ BooNE

Cross Section Prospects for MicroBooNE

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Introduction

PAST

1970-1990's

Using deuterium-filled bubble chambers:

- ▶ to test the V-A nature of the weak interactions
- ▶ to measure the axial vector form factor of the nucleon

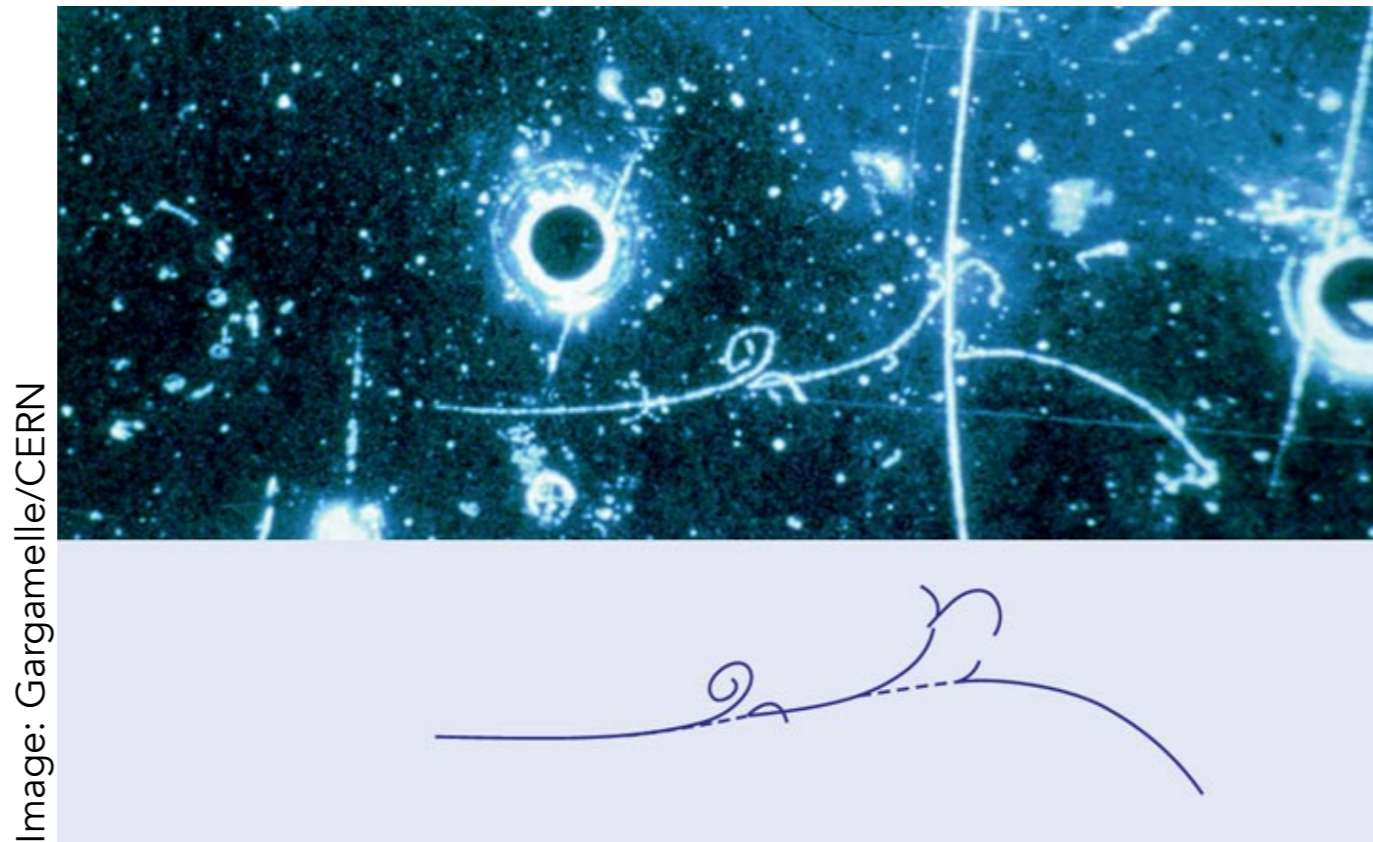


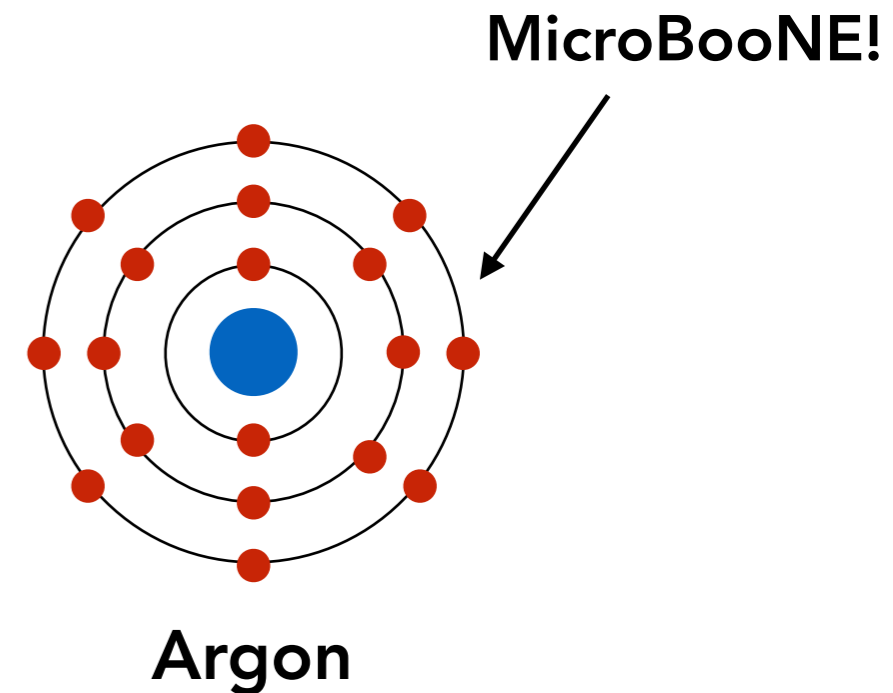
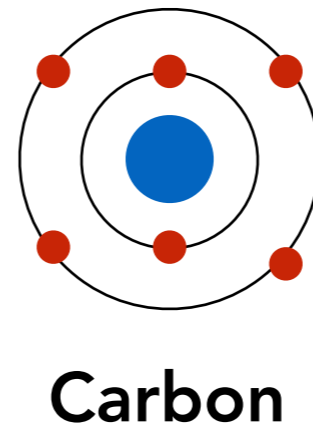
Image: Gargamelle/CERN

Introduction

TODAY

Modern experiments no longer include deuterium but use complex nuclei as their neutrino targets

For heavy elements nuclear effects are not understood -> more data is needed



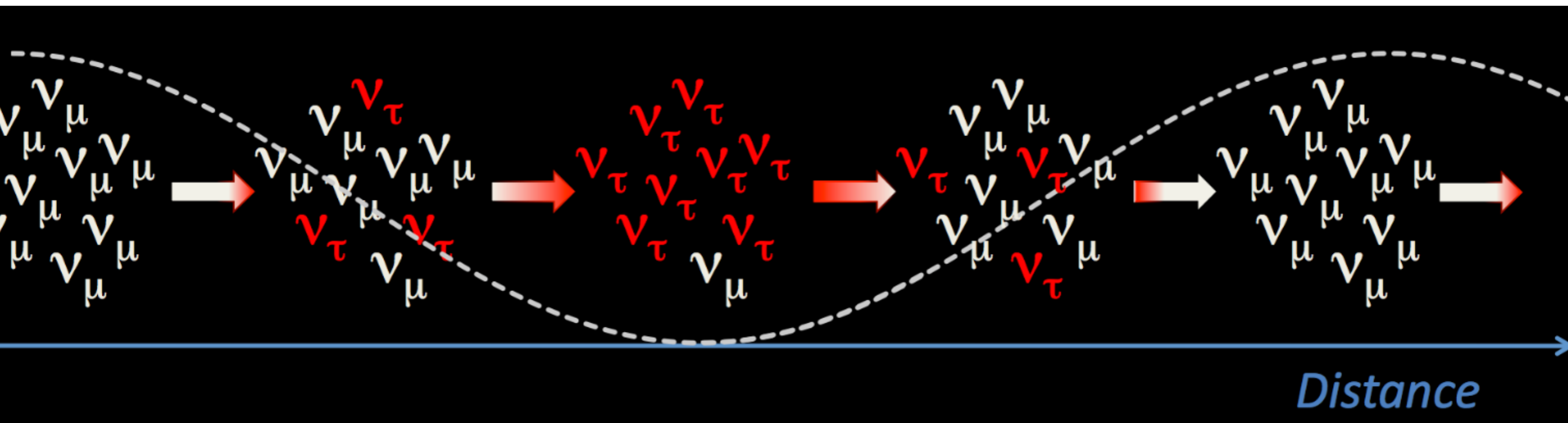
Introduction

TODAY

Modern experiments are trying to make precision measurements of neutrino oscillation parameters, requiring precise and accurate cross section measurements

MicroBooNE also has an oscillation programme:

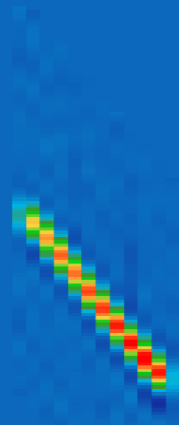
see talk by Xiao Luo in the WG1+WG2 session today



- ▶ **CC0 π events**
 - ▶ a quick look at results from other experiments
- ▶ **LArTPC/MicroBooNE**
 - ▶ how it works
 - ▶ event reconstruction
 - ▶ how it compares to other experiments
- ▶ **MicroBooNE CC Inclusive Analysis**
- ▶ **Particle Multiplicity and Proton Identification**
 - ▶ ArgoNeuT results
 - ▶ MicroBooNE analyses

Neutral Current

μ BooNE

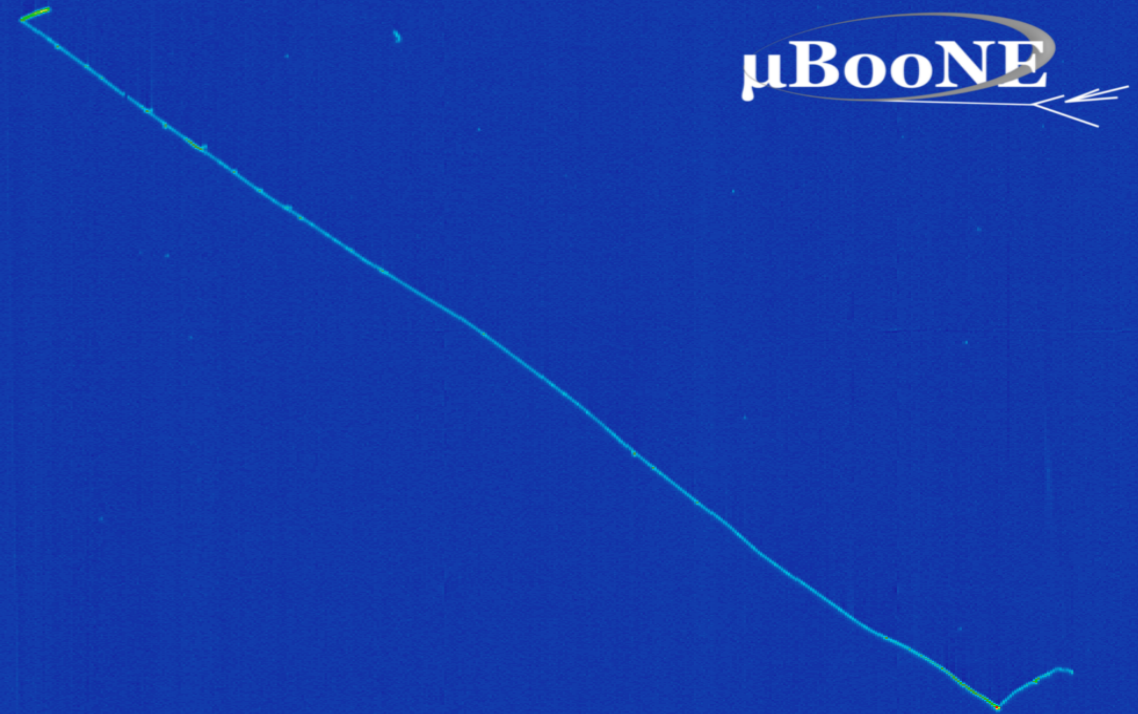


3 cm

Run 5937 Event 1478. April 16th 2016

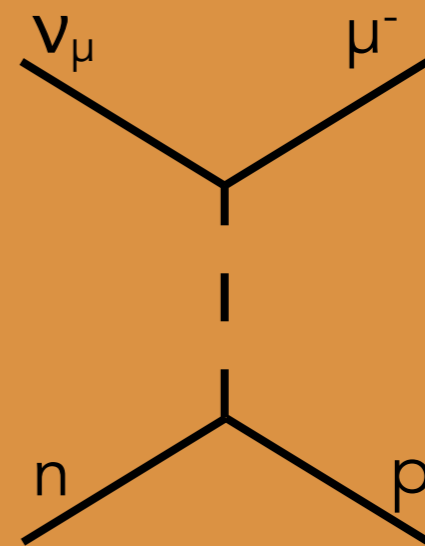
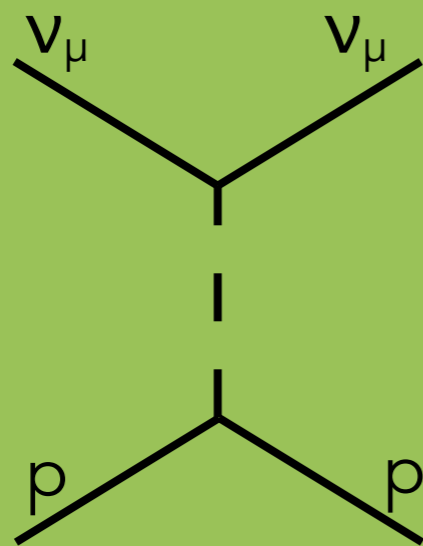
Charged Current

μ BooNE

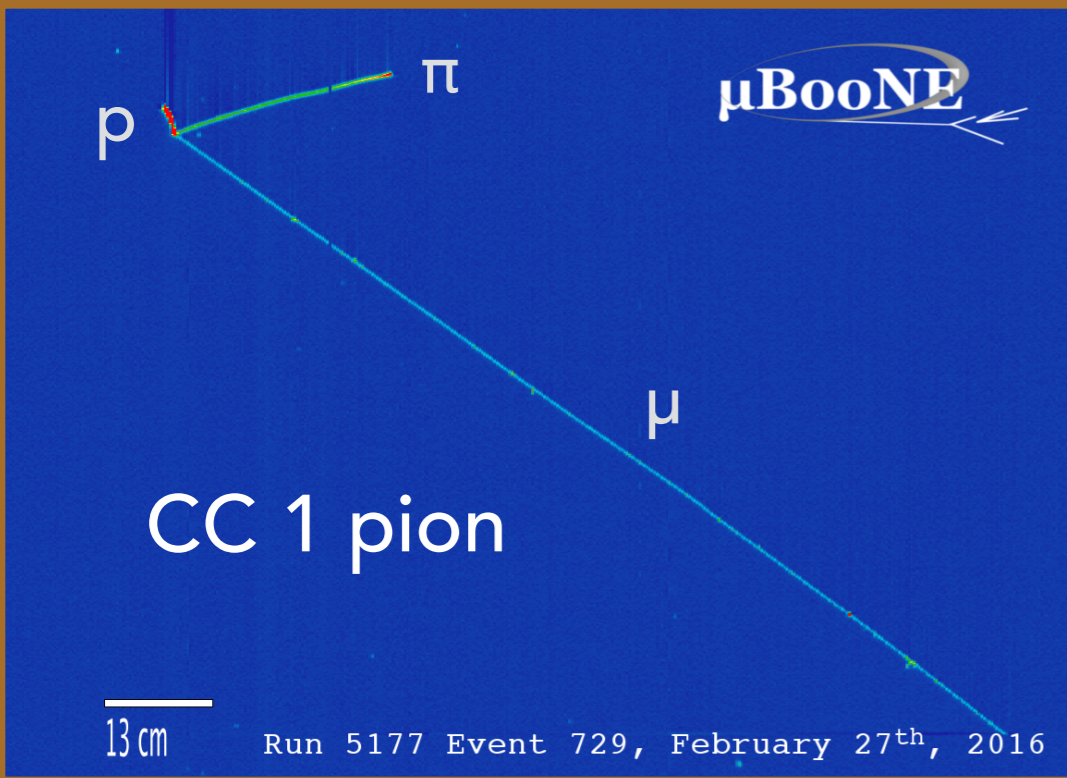
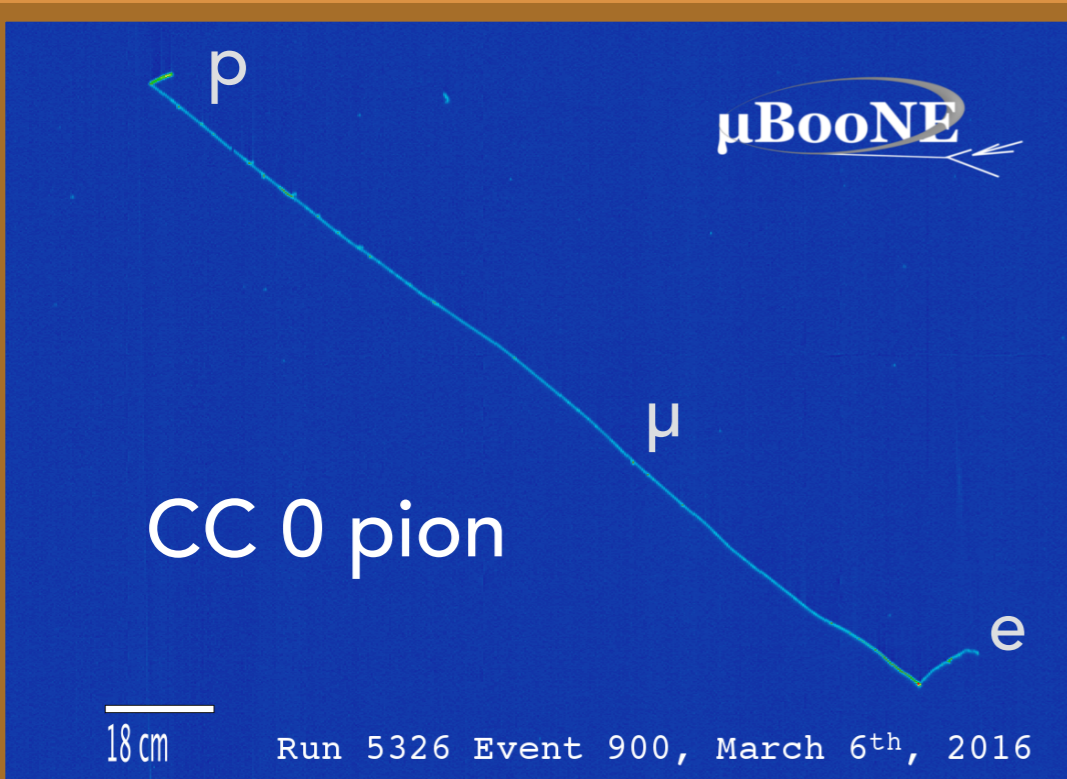
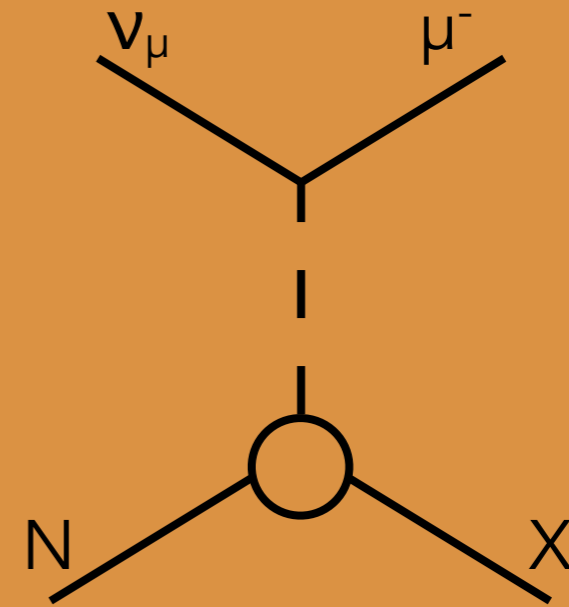


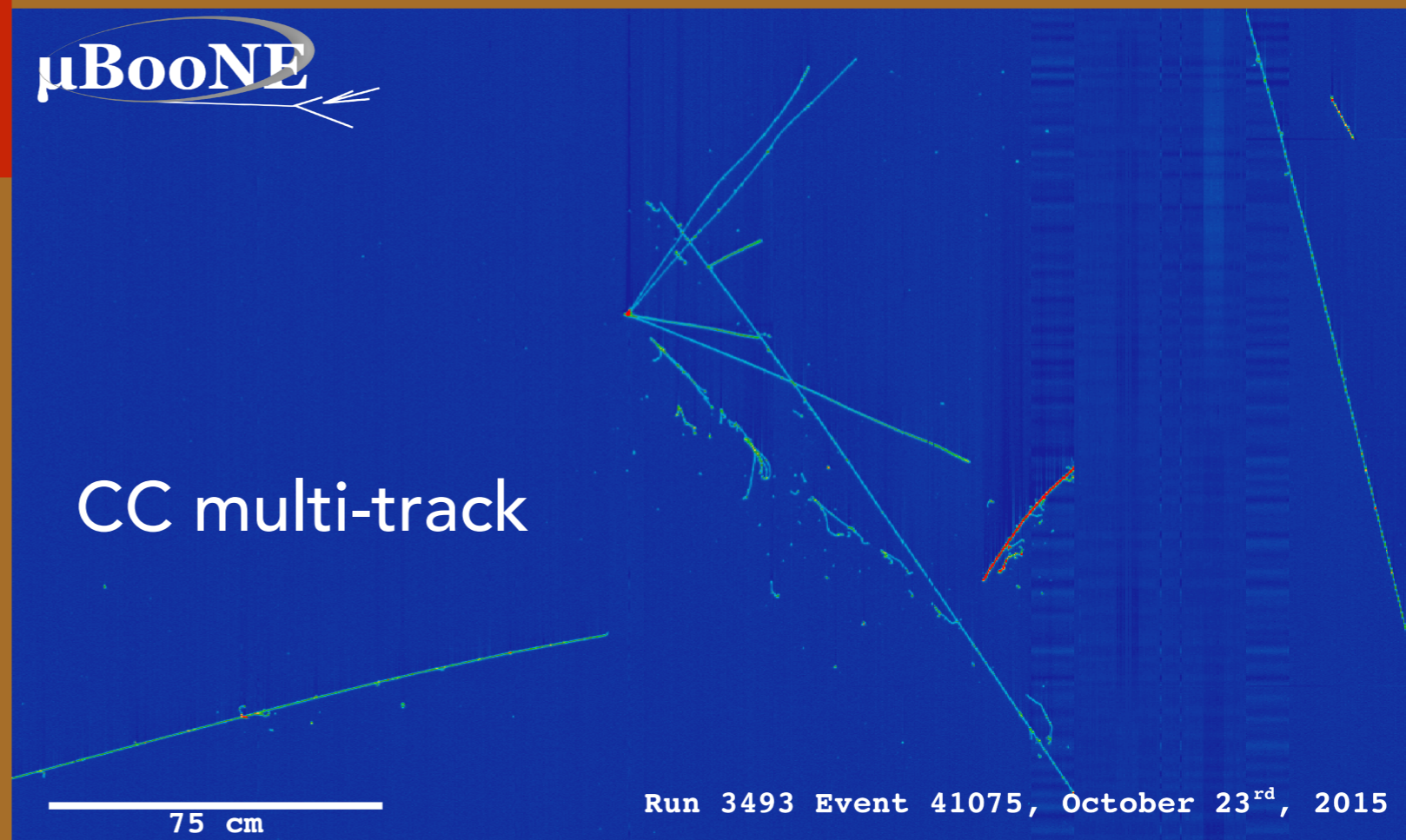
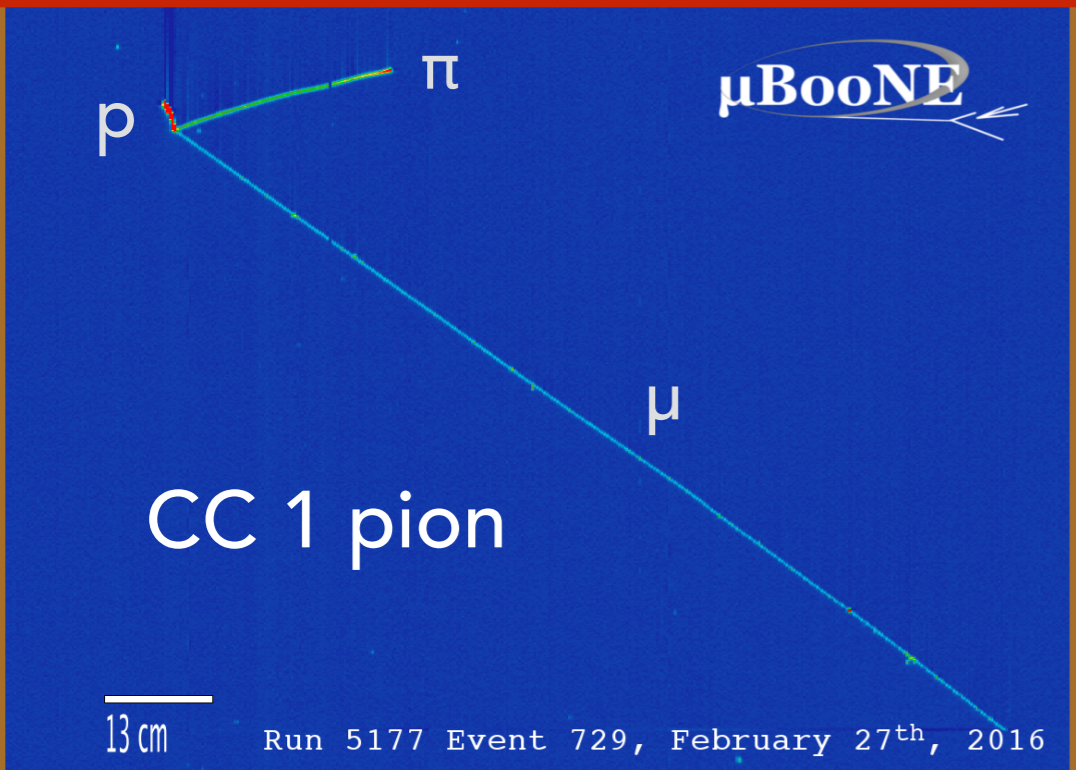
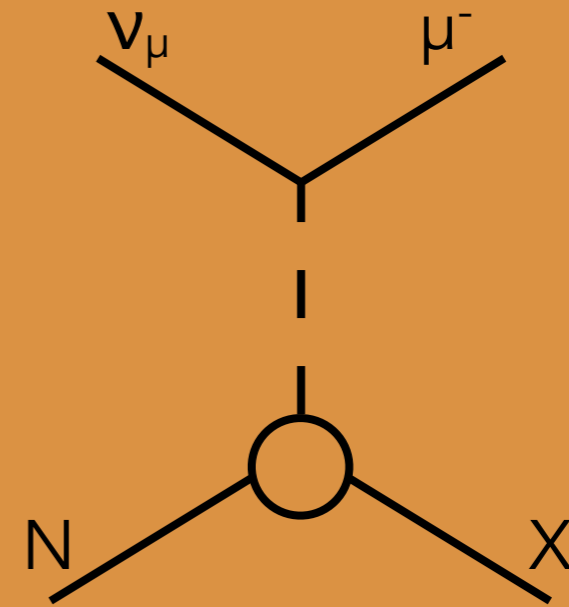
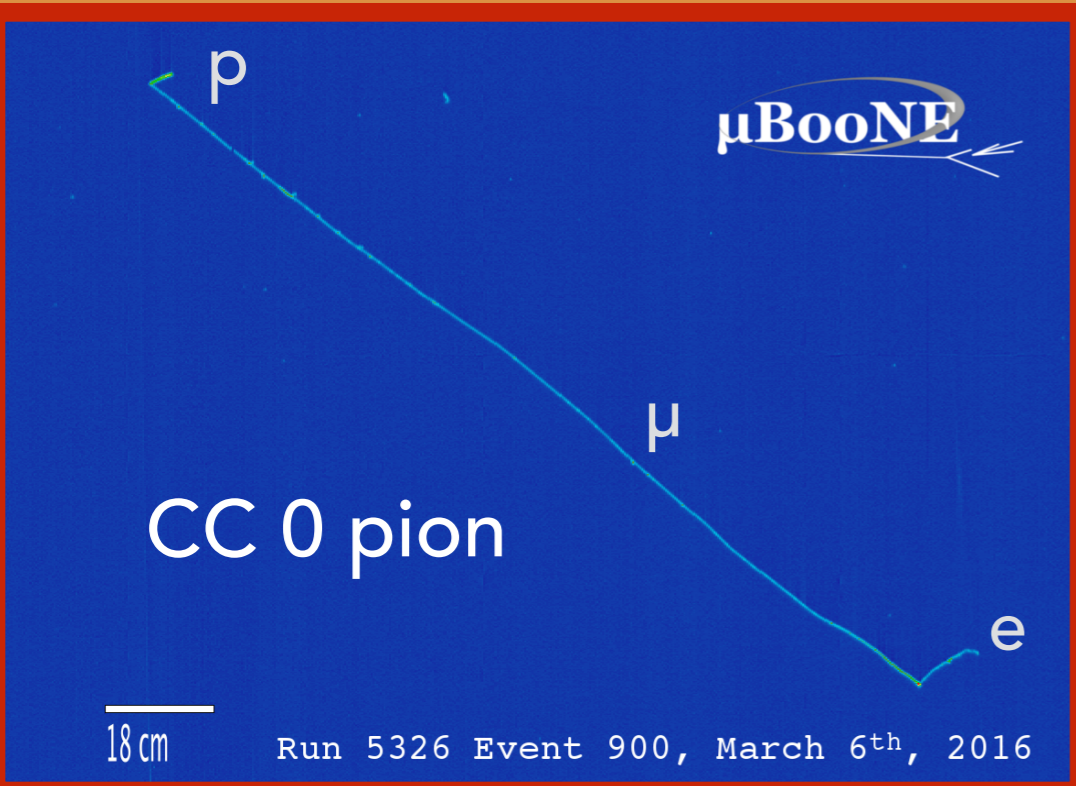
18 cm

Run 5326 Event 900, March 6th, 2016



Charged Current





CC0 π Interactions



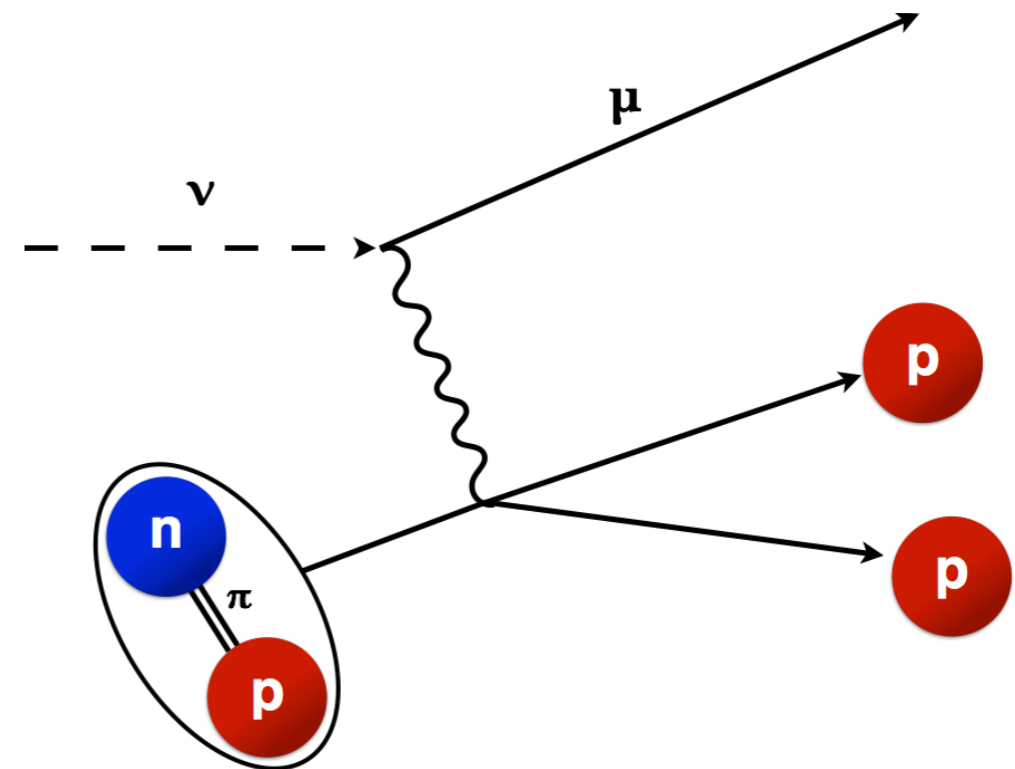
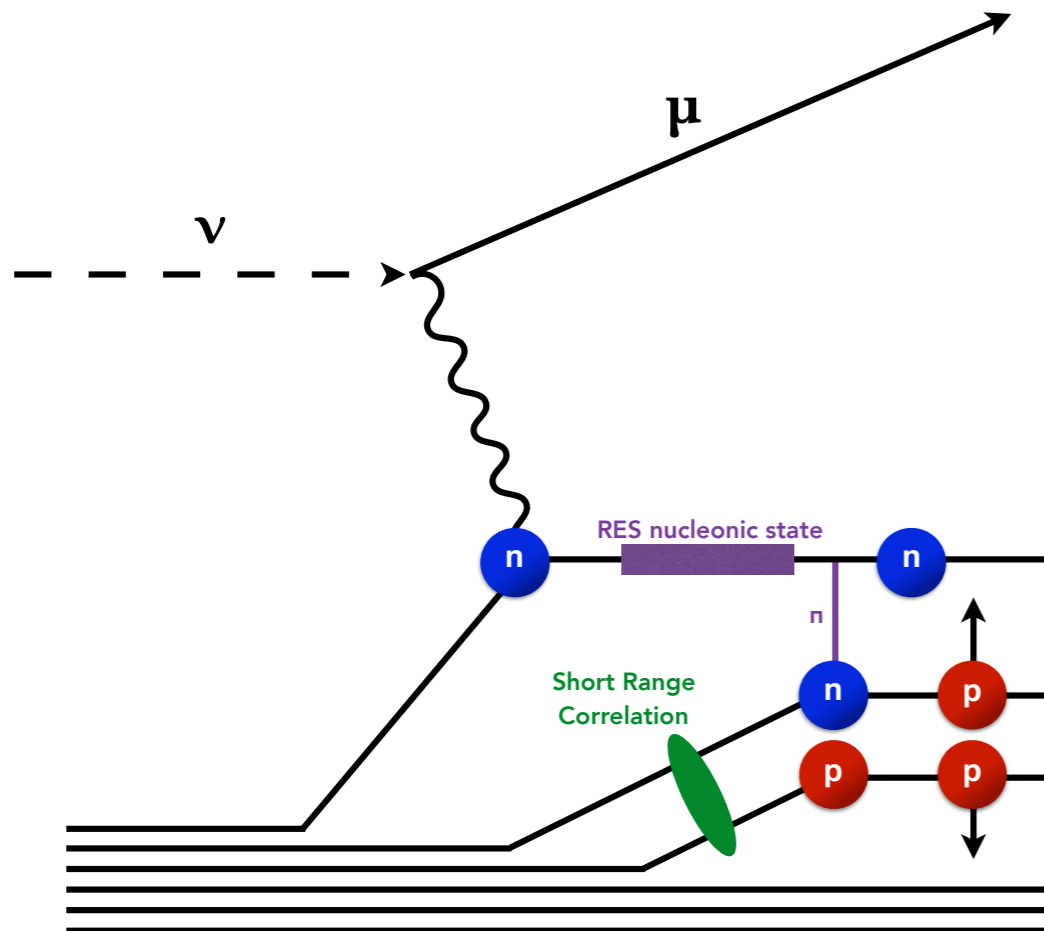
Run 5362 Event 900, March 6th, 2016

Signal definition:

- ▶ 1 lepton
- ▶ 0 pions
- ▶ any number of nucleons

CC0 π Interactions

Nuclear Effects



- ▶ Final state is different from the "traditional quasi-elastic final state" with $1\mu 1p$
- ▶ Need a detector that can resolve hadrons: can be done in LAr

CC0 π - Recent Experimental Results

MiniBooNE

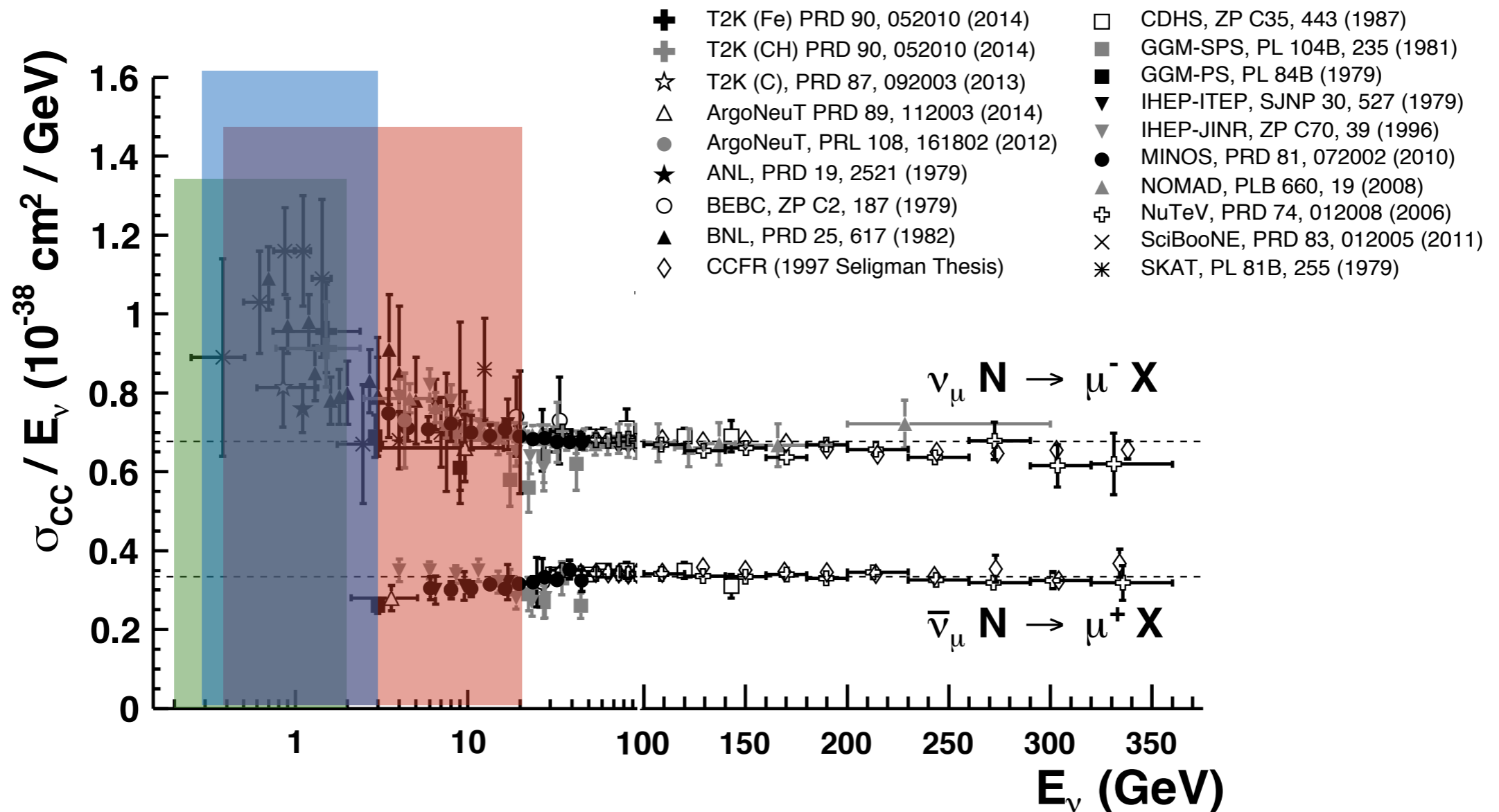
CH₂

MINERvA

CH

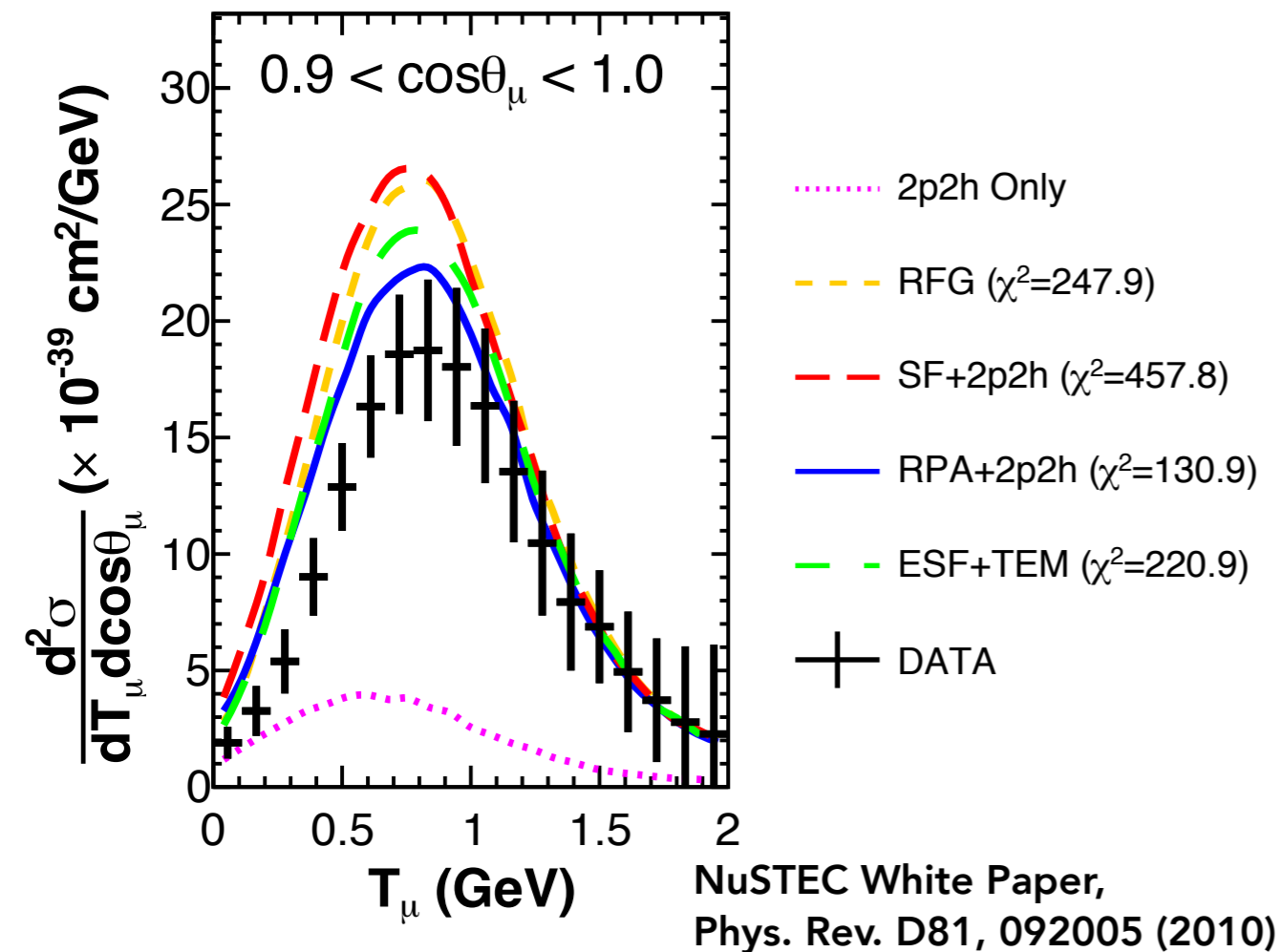
T2K

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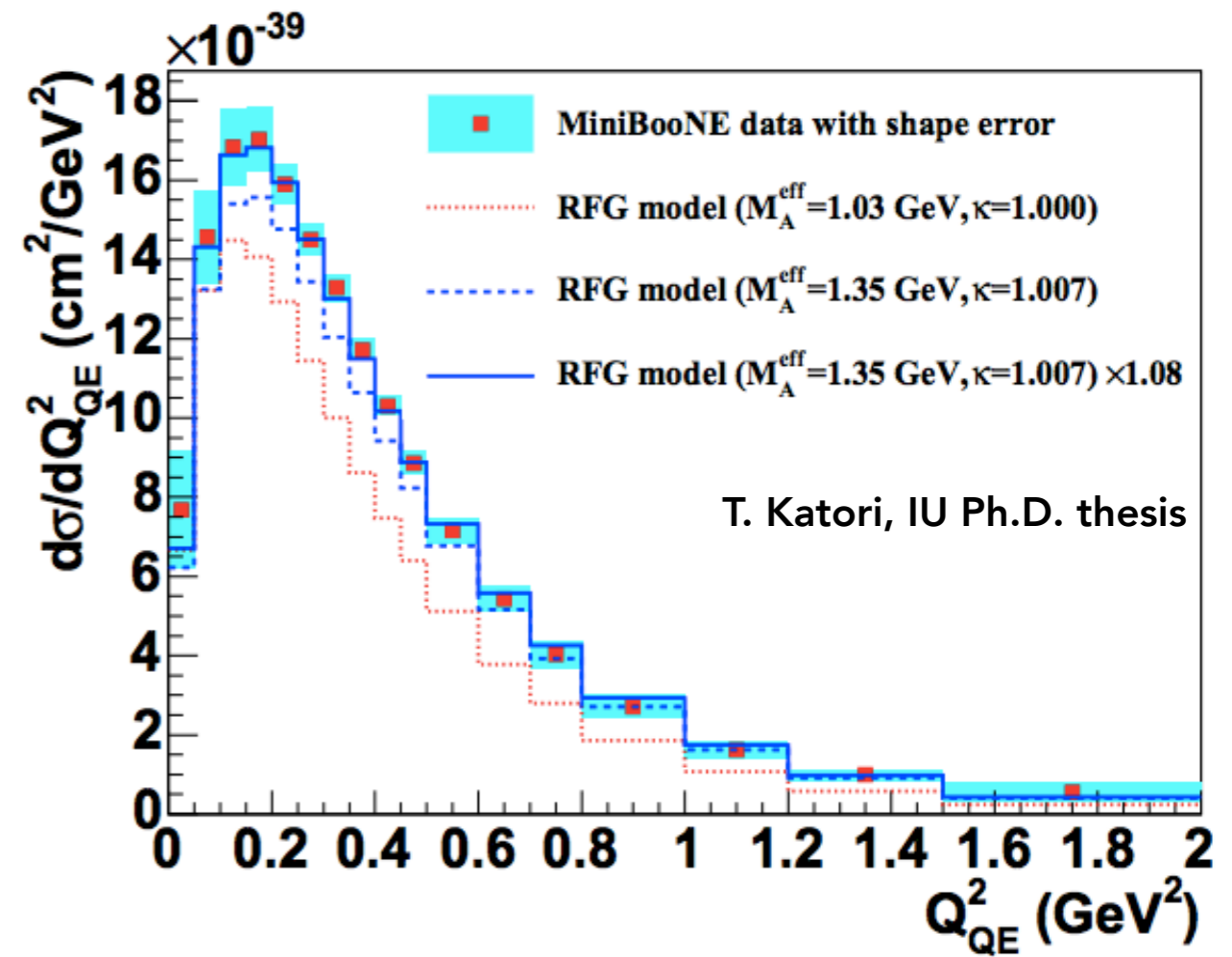


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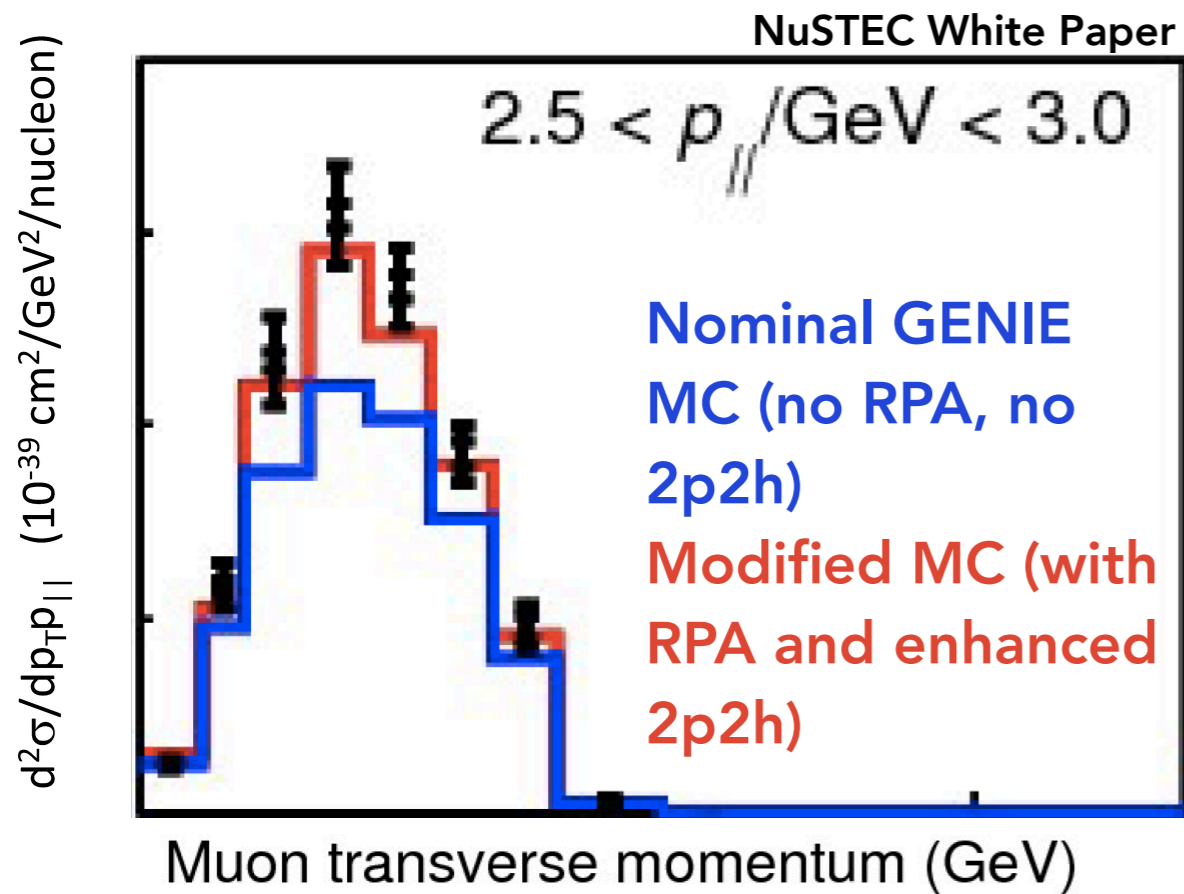
MiniBooNE data agree well with predictions that include both 2p2h and RPA



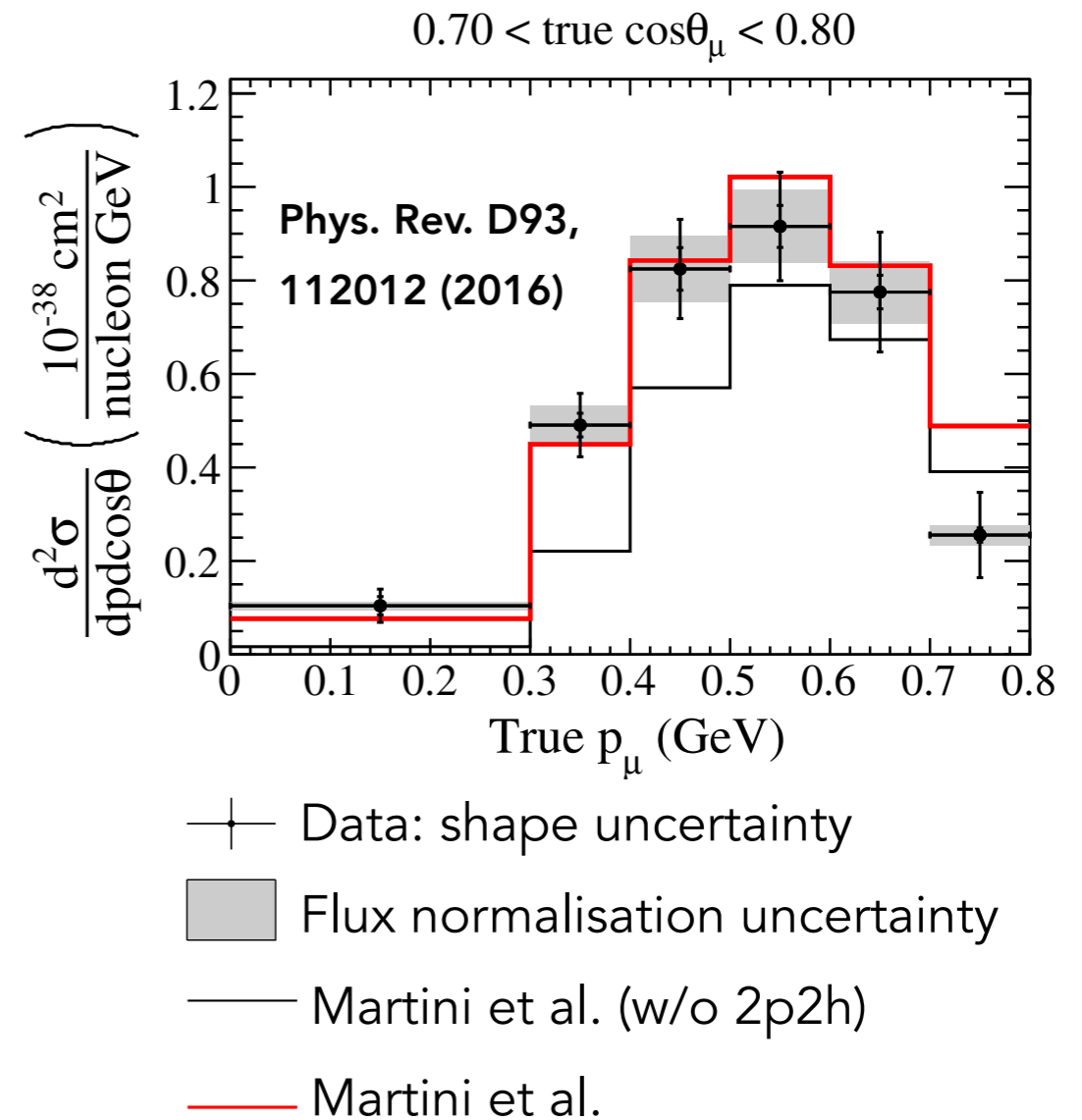
MiniBooNE data agree with an effective value of $M_A = 1.35 \text{ GeV}$

CC0 π - Experimental Results

MINERvA



T2K



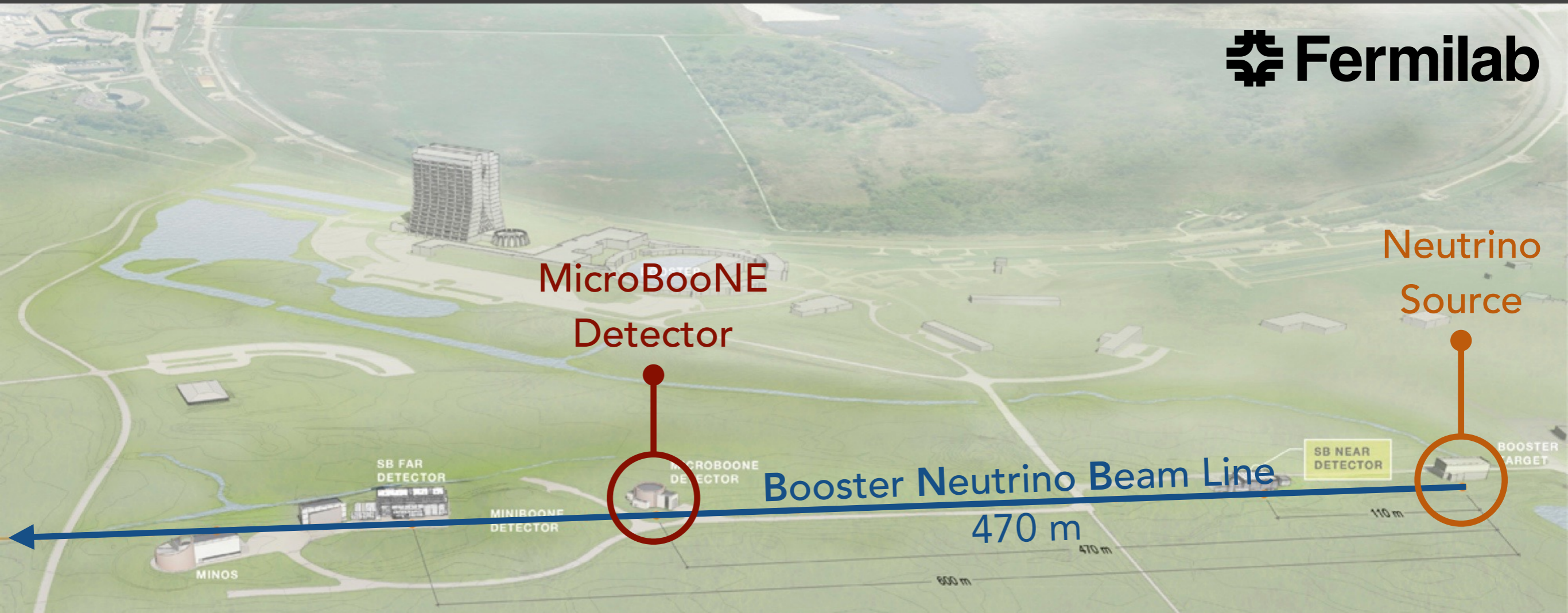
MINERvA and T2K data agree with simulations
that include multinuclear processes

What Next?



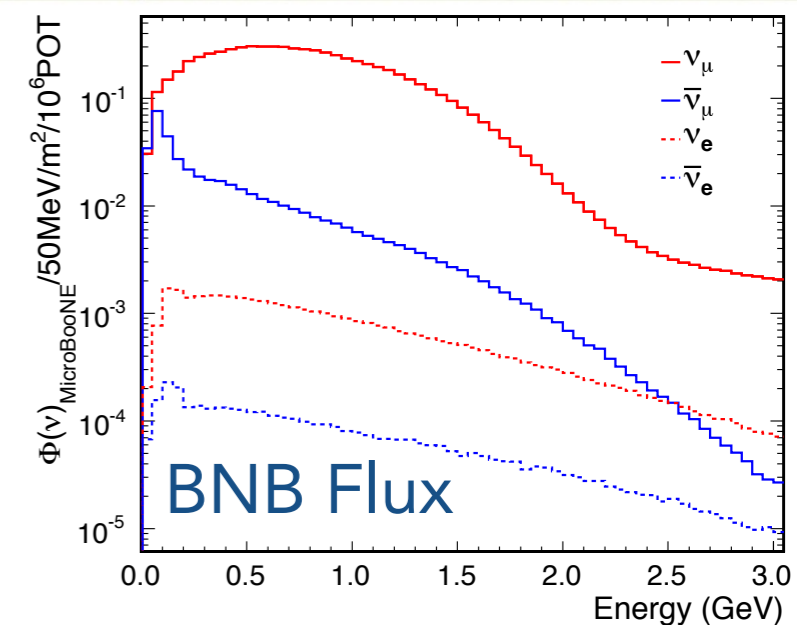
- ▶ How do we further tune theory models?
- ▶ How is the situation going to look like for argon?
- ▶ Can MicroBooNE tell us more about final states and nuclear effects?

The MicroBooNE Experiment



Goals of the **S**hort **B**aseline **N**eutrino program:

- ▶ low-energy excess observed by MiniBooNE
- ▶ sterile neutrinos
- ▶ cross section measurements
- ▶ R&D for future LArTPC experiments

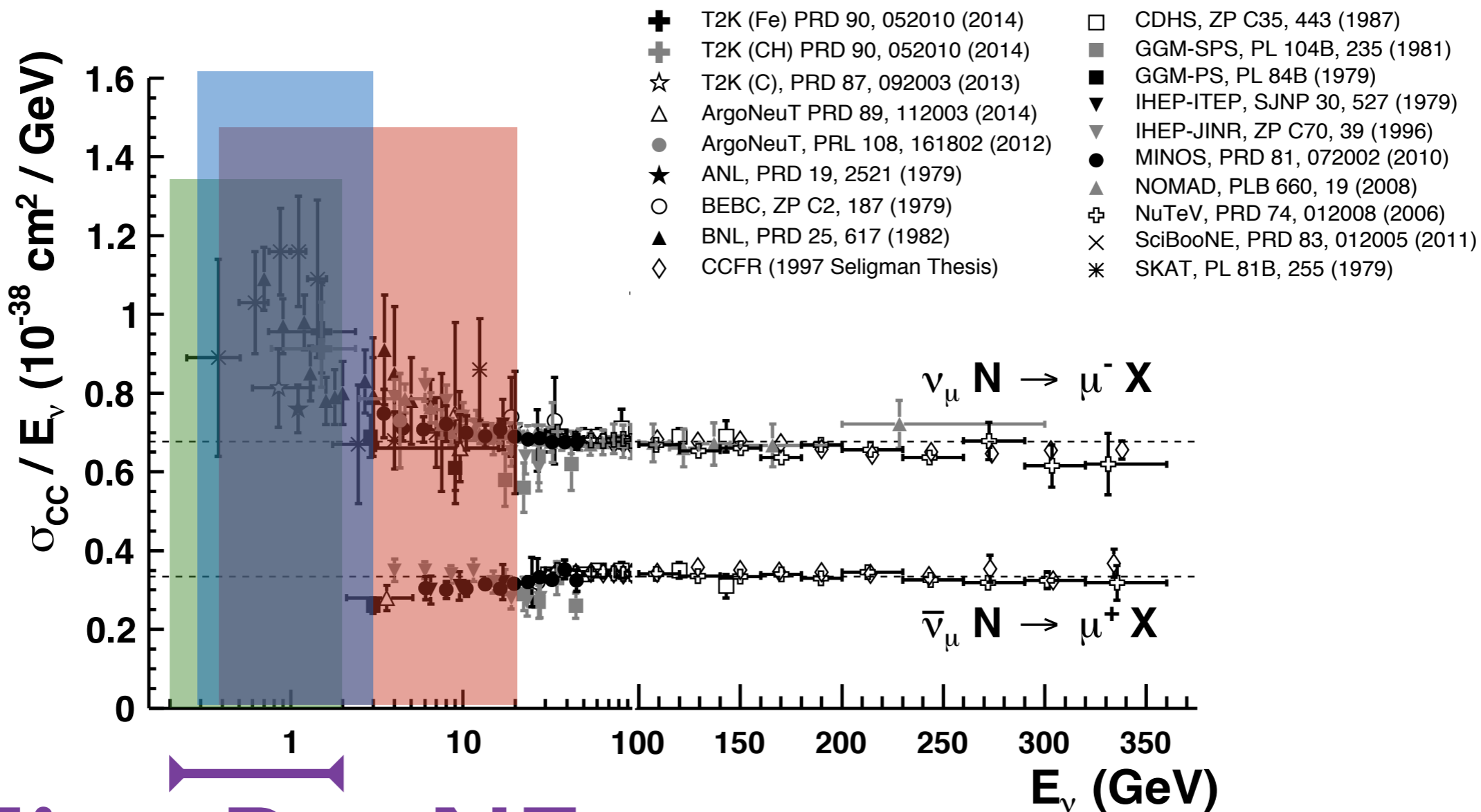


The MicroBooNE Experiment

MiniBooNE

MINERvA

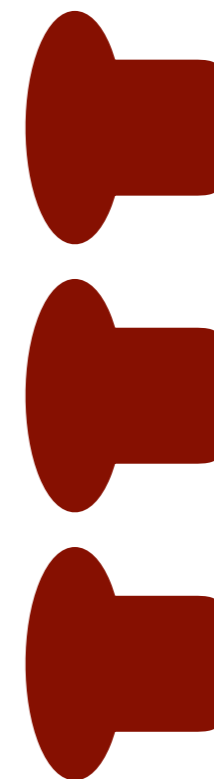
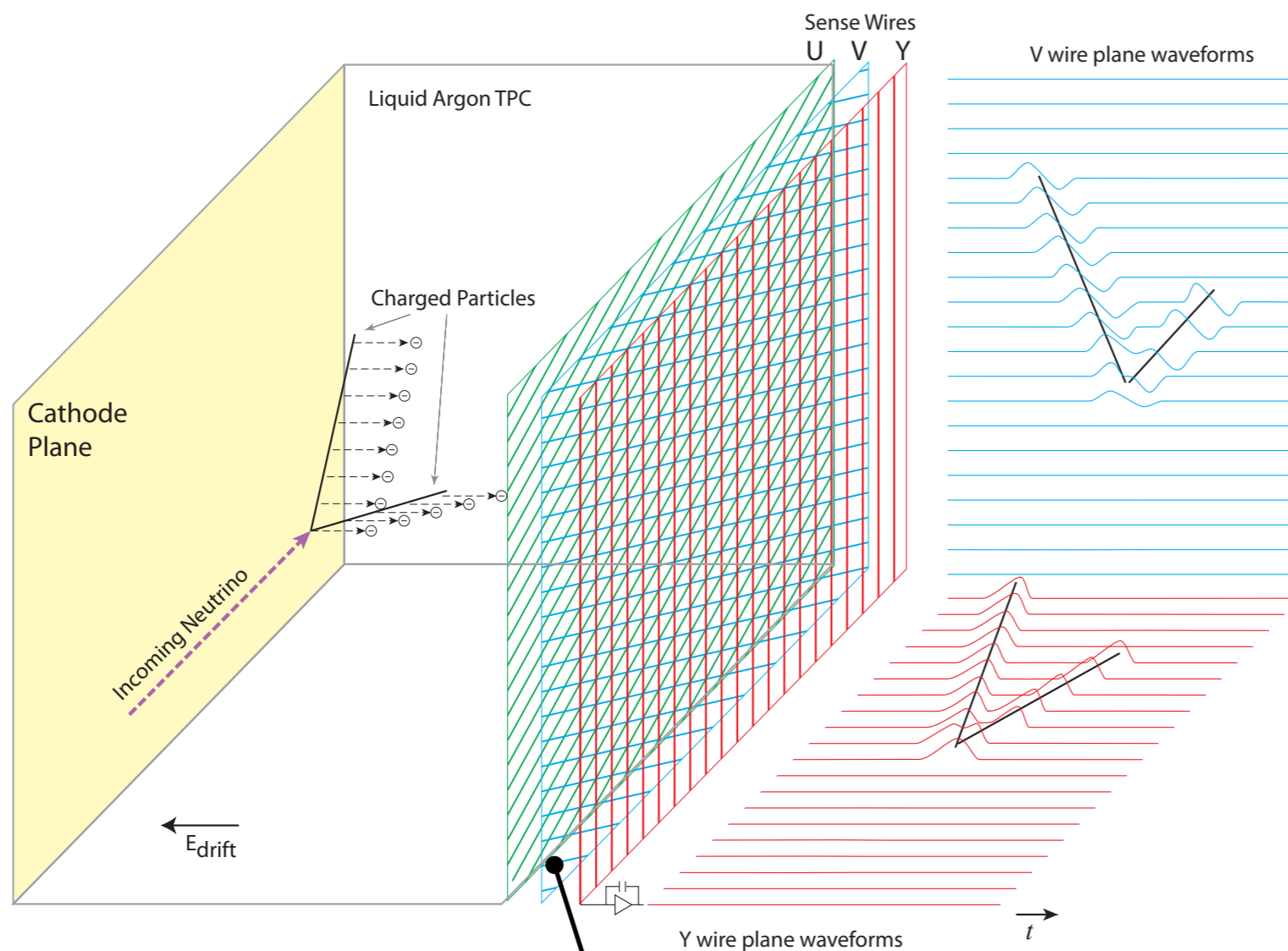
T2K



MicroBooNE

The MicroBooNE Detector

A liquid argon time projection chamber

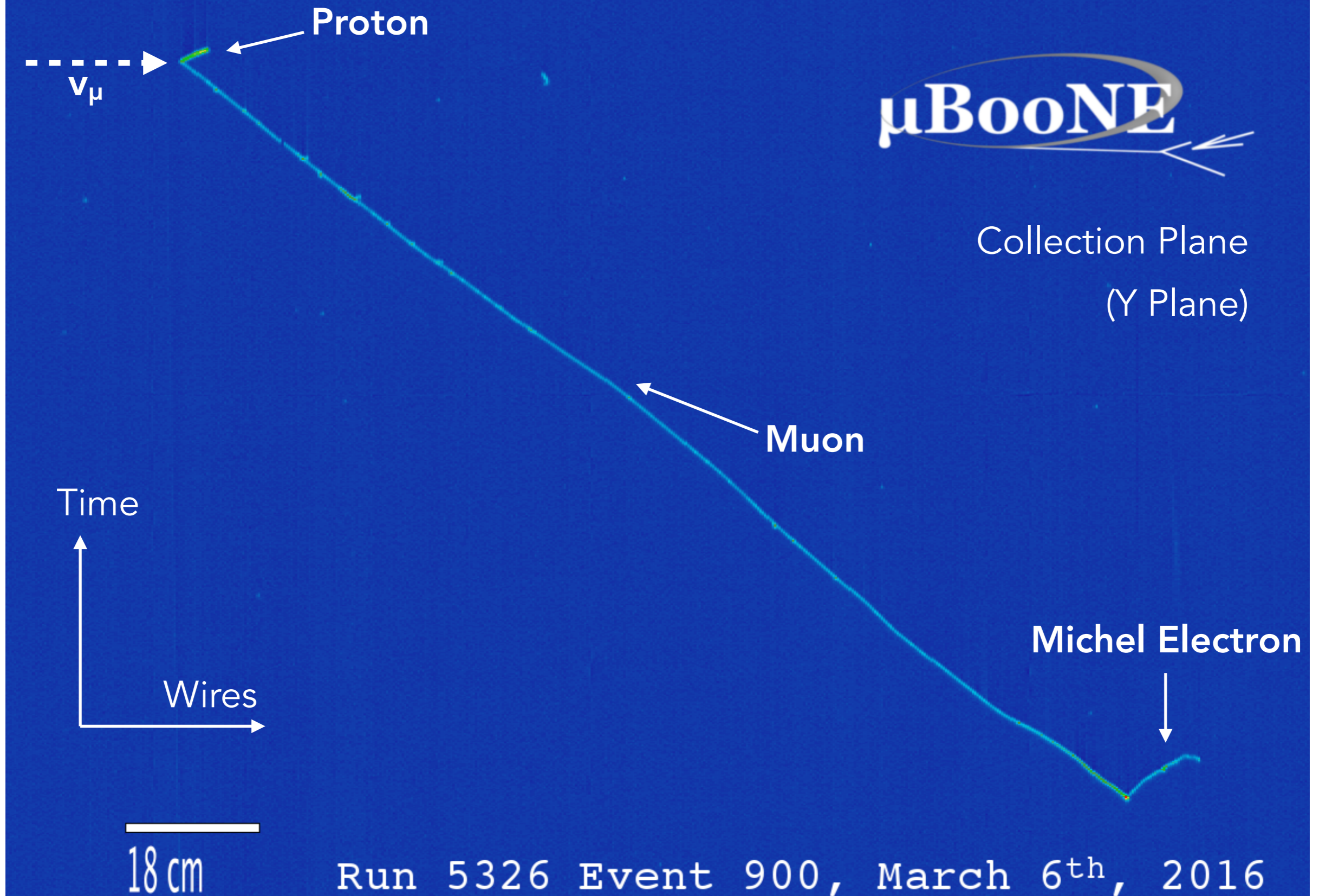


32 8"
Cryogenic
PMTs

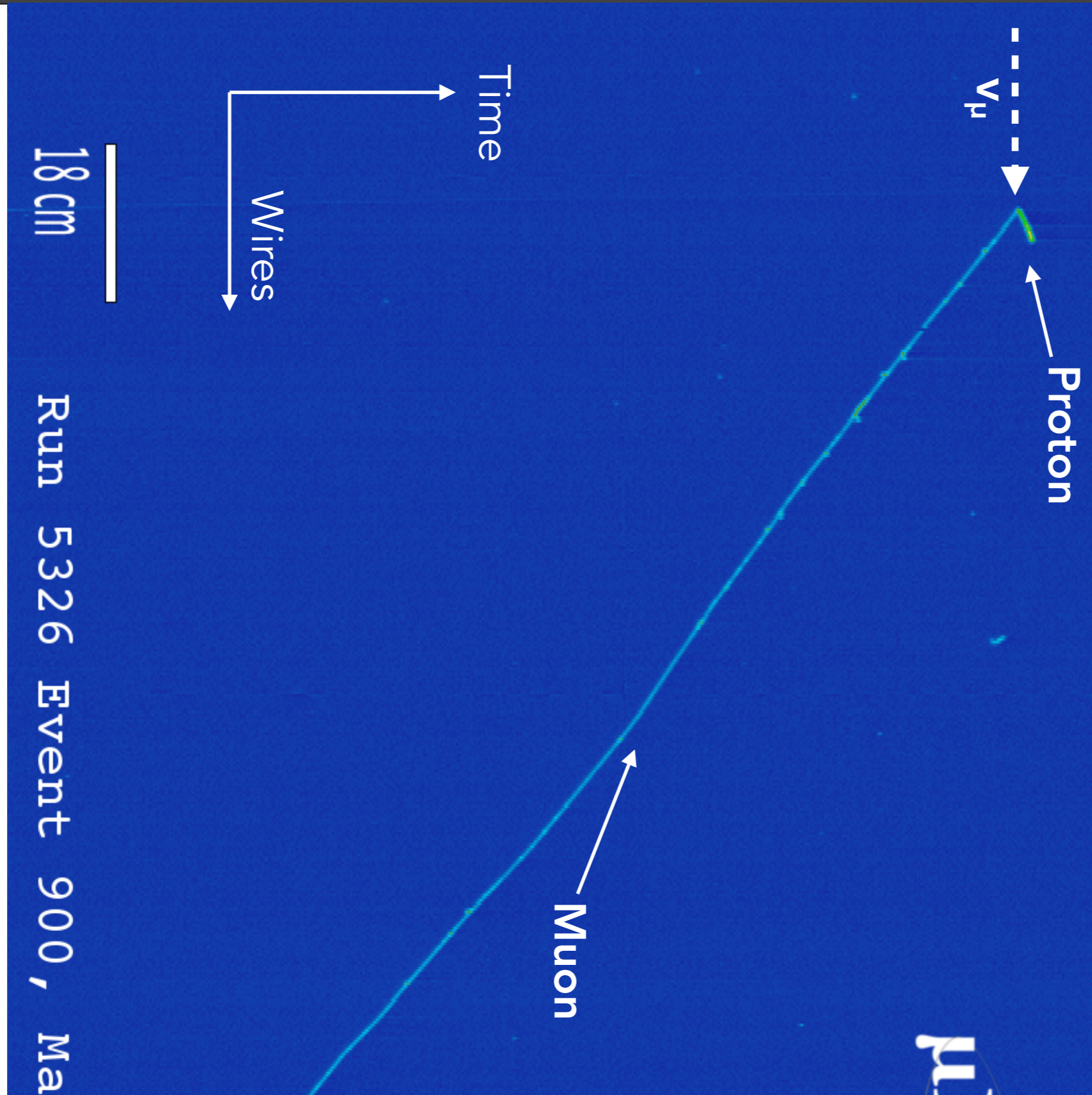
8192 wires (3 mm pitch)

170 ton LArTPC (total mass)

A MicroBooNE Event Display

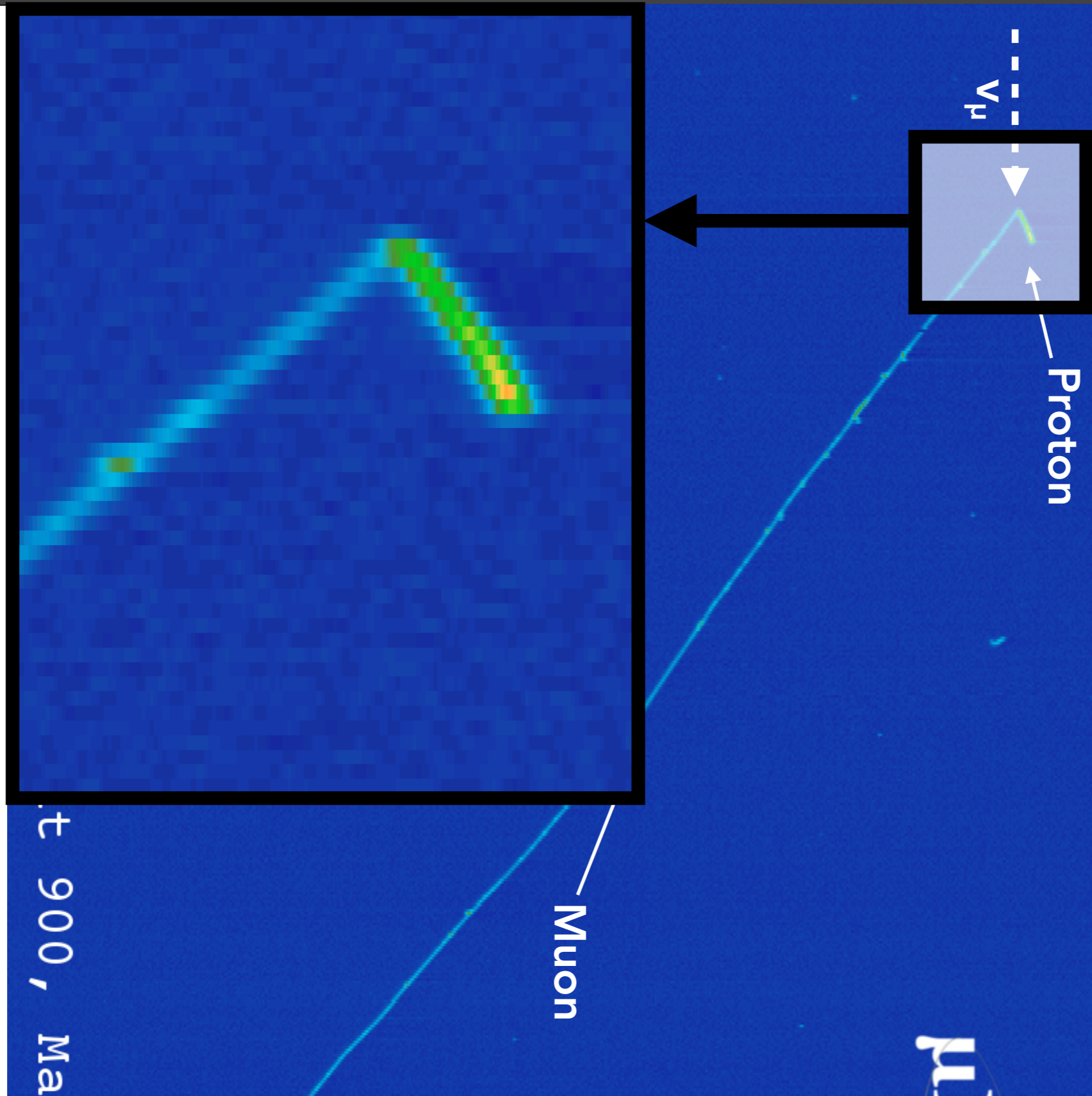


MicroBooNE Event Reconstruction



Same image,
rotated by 90°

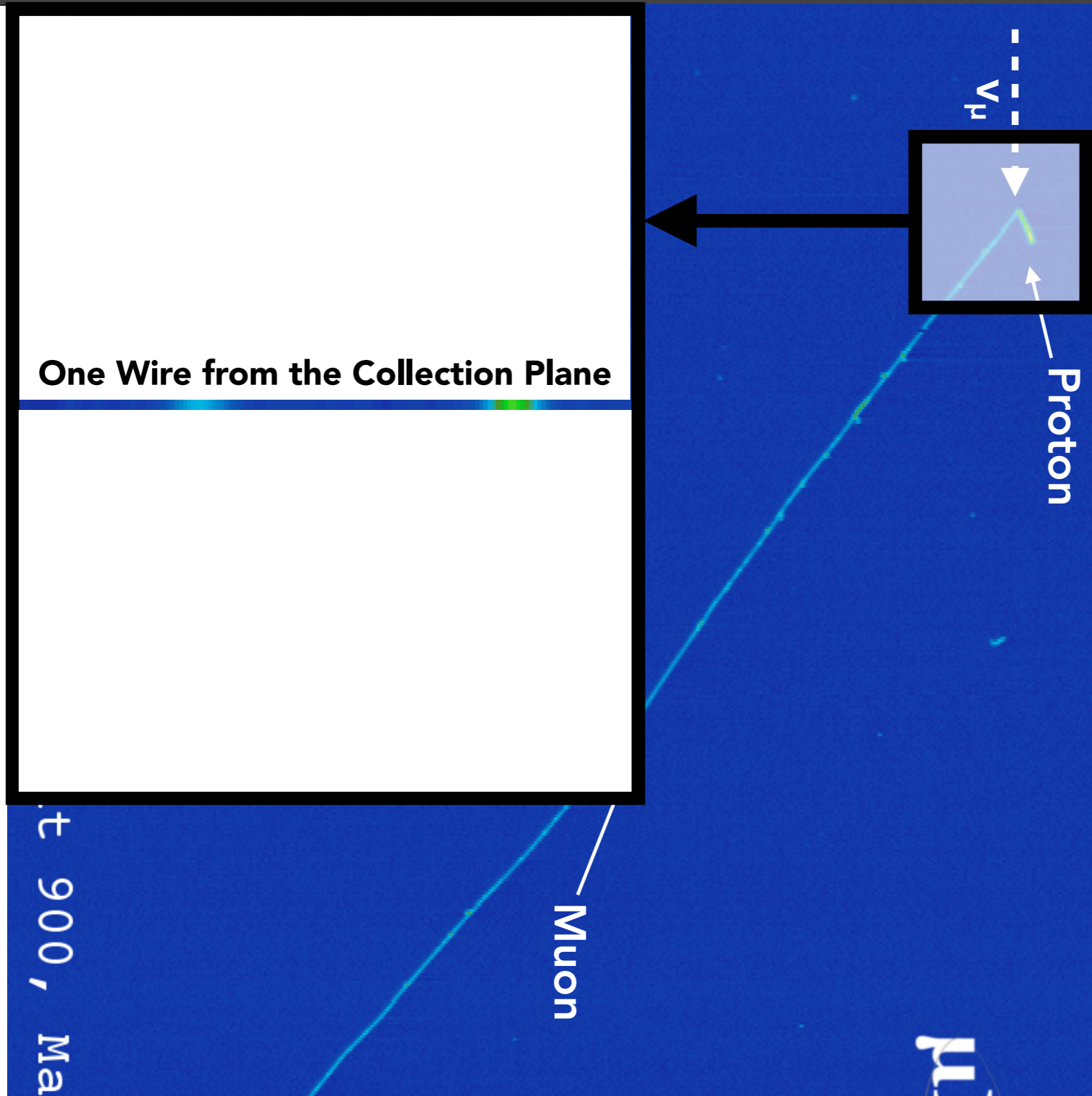
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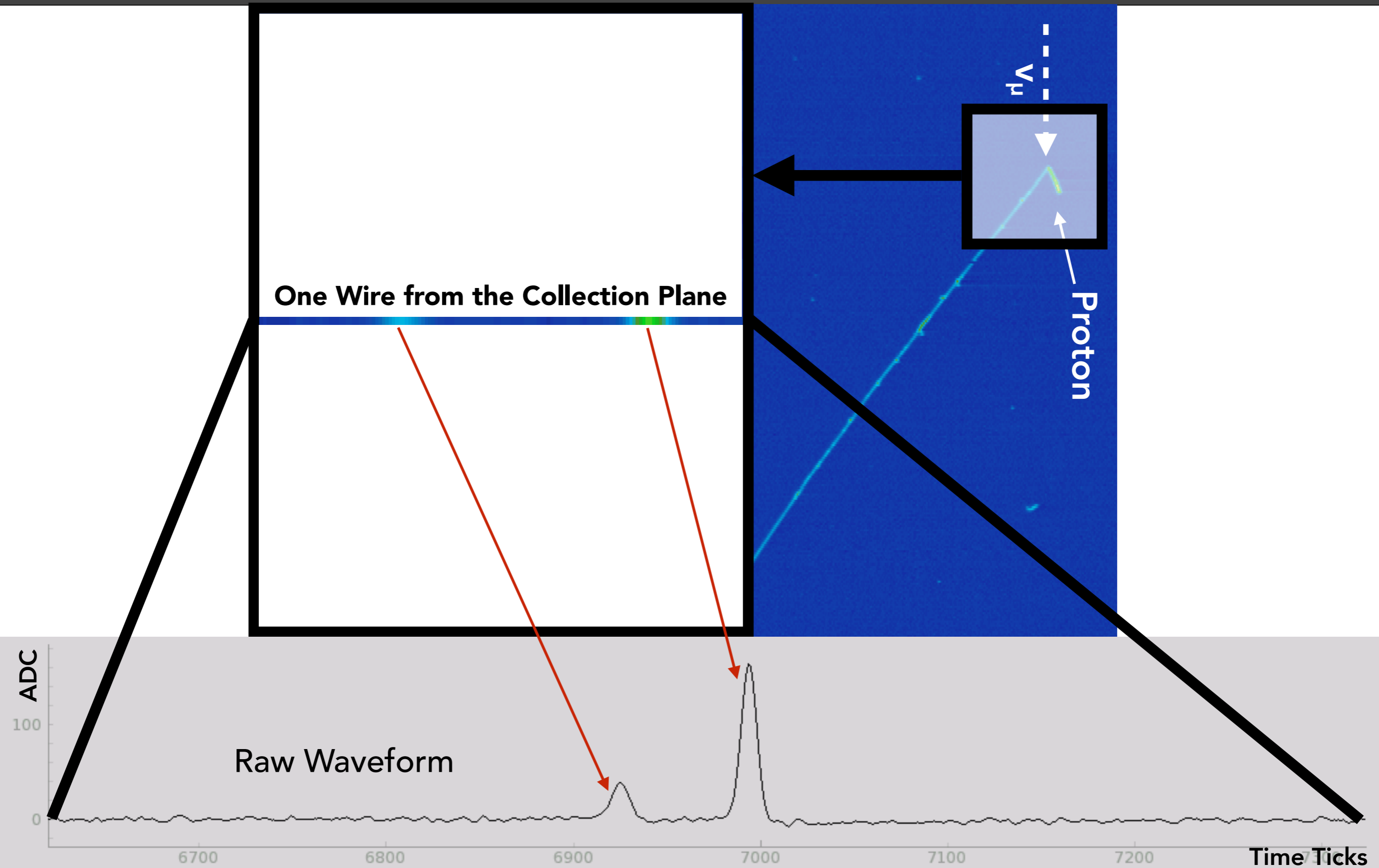
Zoom in

Colour shows amount of deposited charge

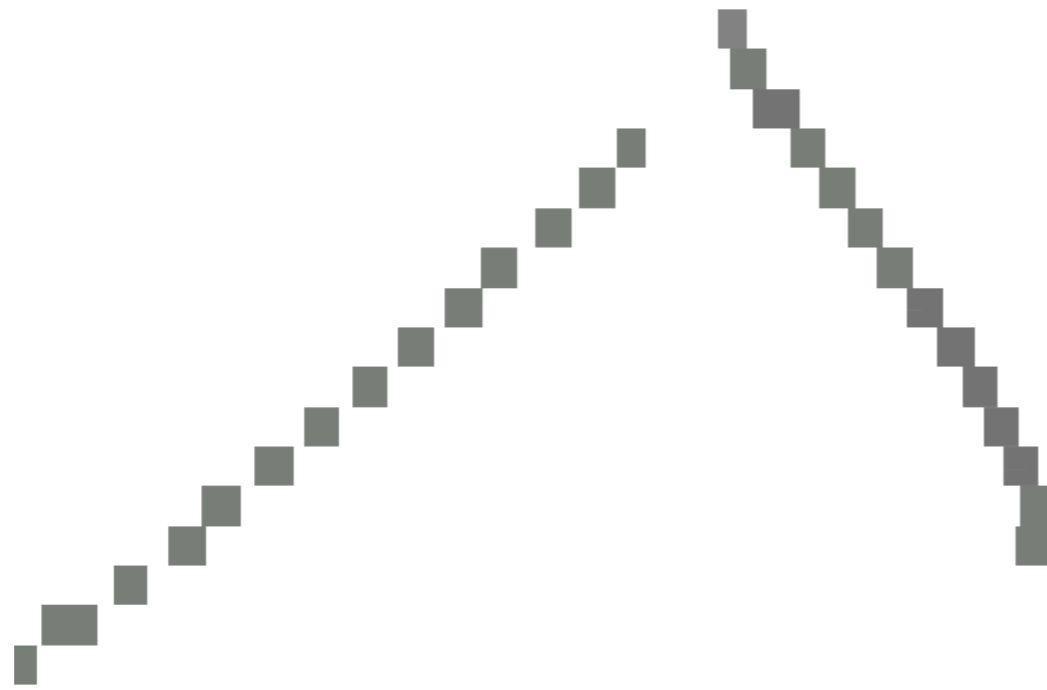
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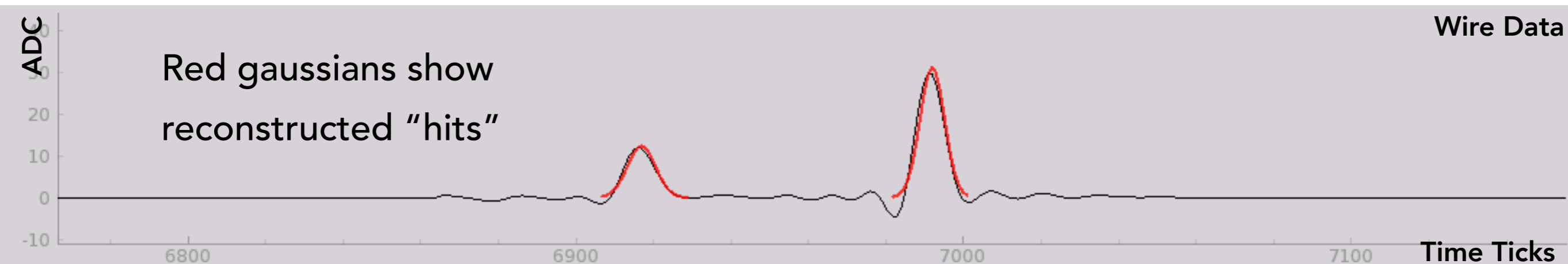


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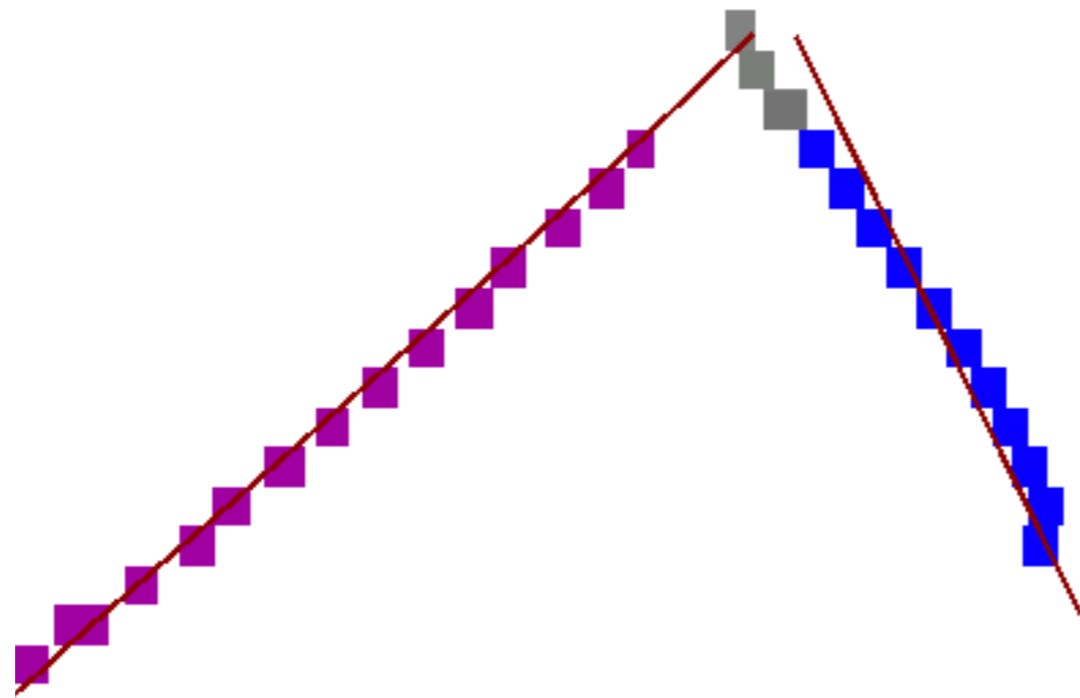


Each **hit** correspond to a wire, and has a specific time.

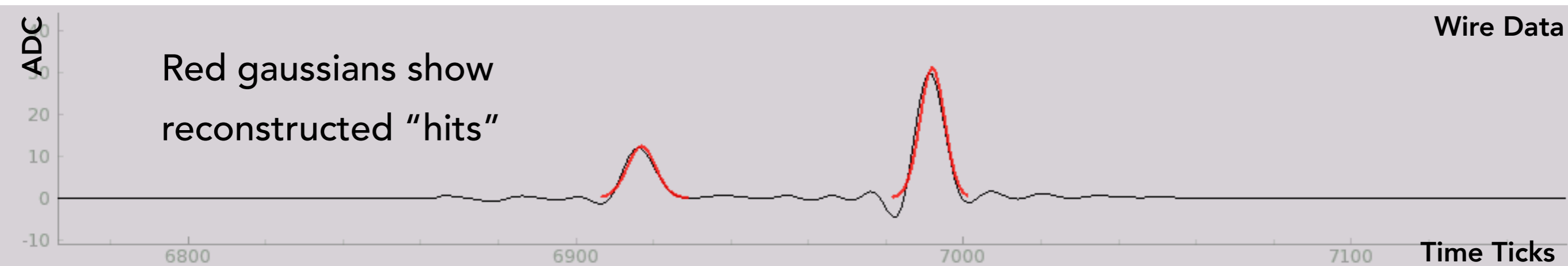
The area below the gaussian is proportional to the **deposited charge**, and from this we can derive the particle **dE/dx**.



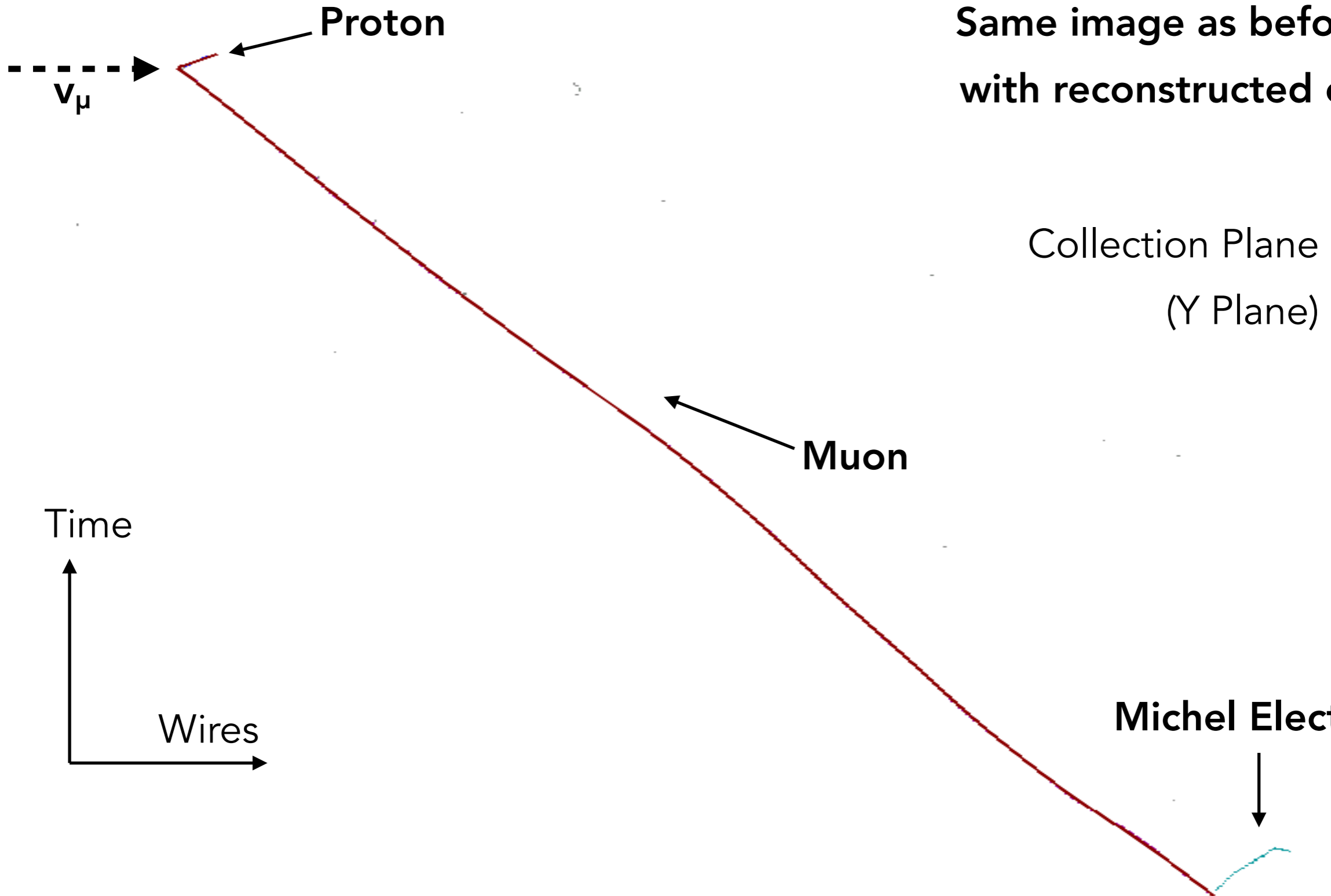
MicroBooNE Event Reconstruction



Hit Clustering and
Track Fitting



MicroBooNE Event Reconstruction



Same image as before, but with reconstructed objects

Collection Plane
(Y Plane)

Muon

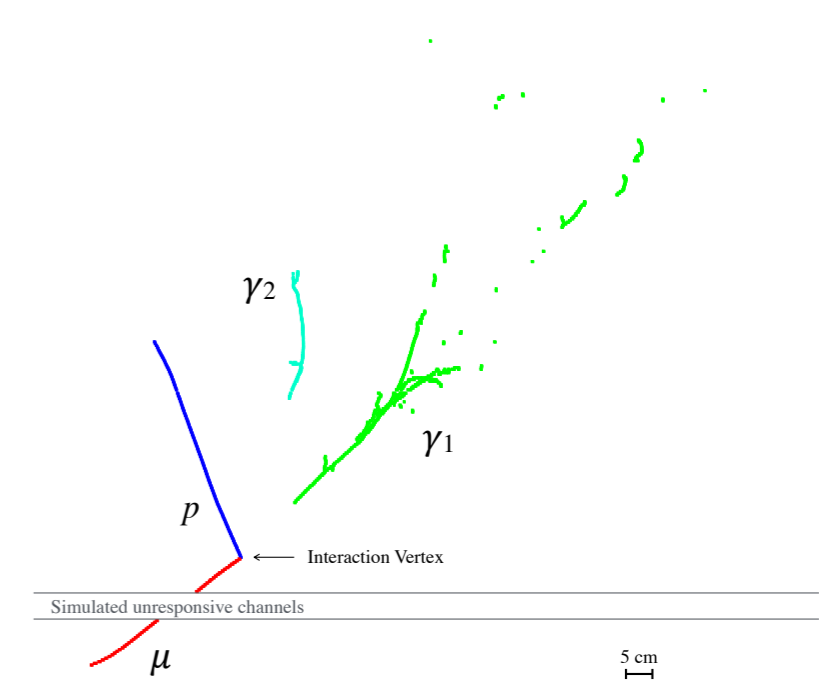
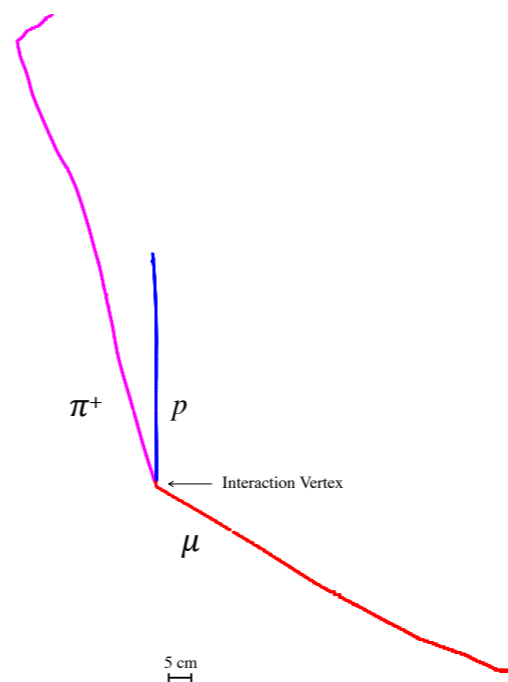
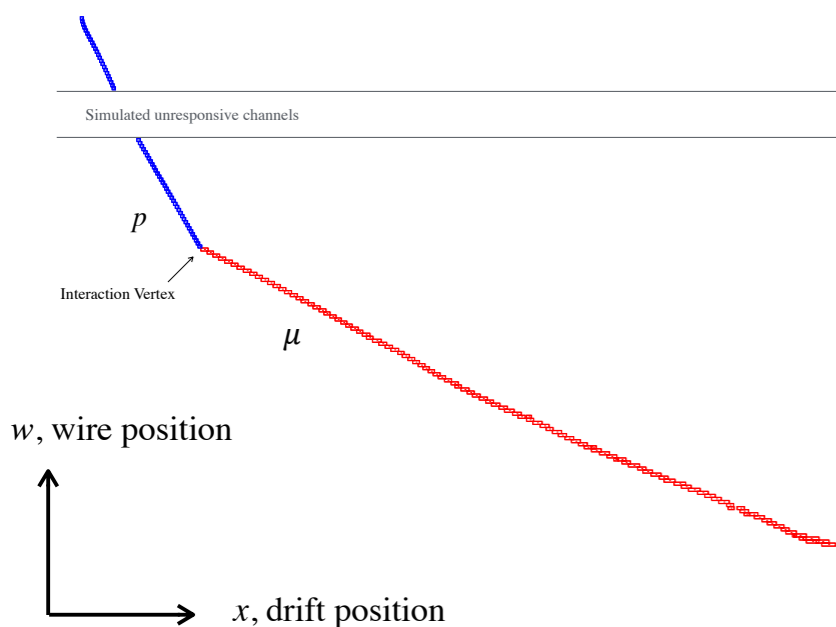
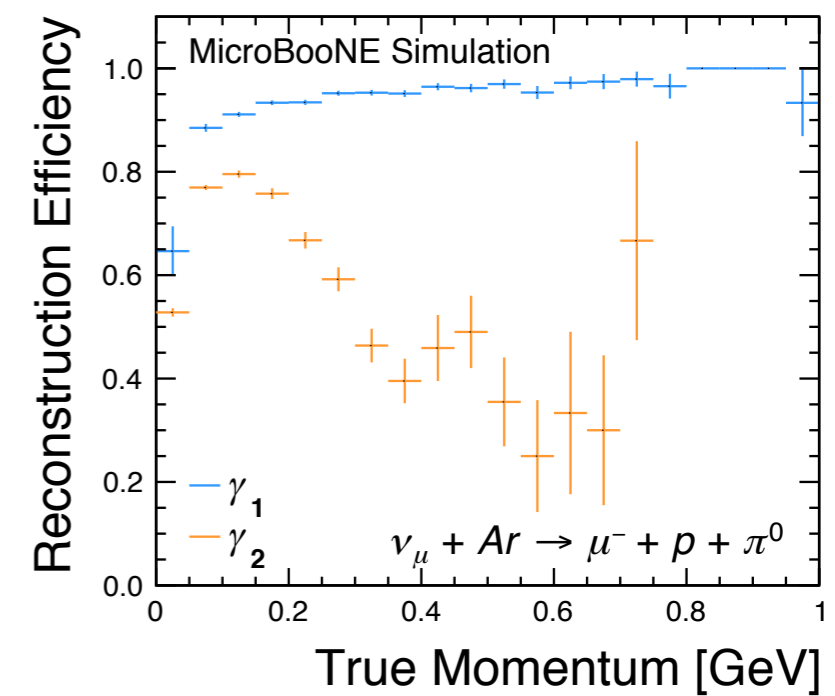
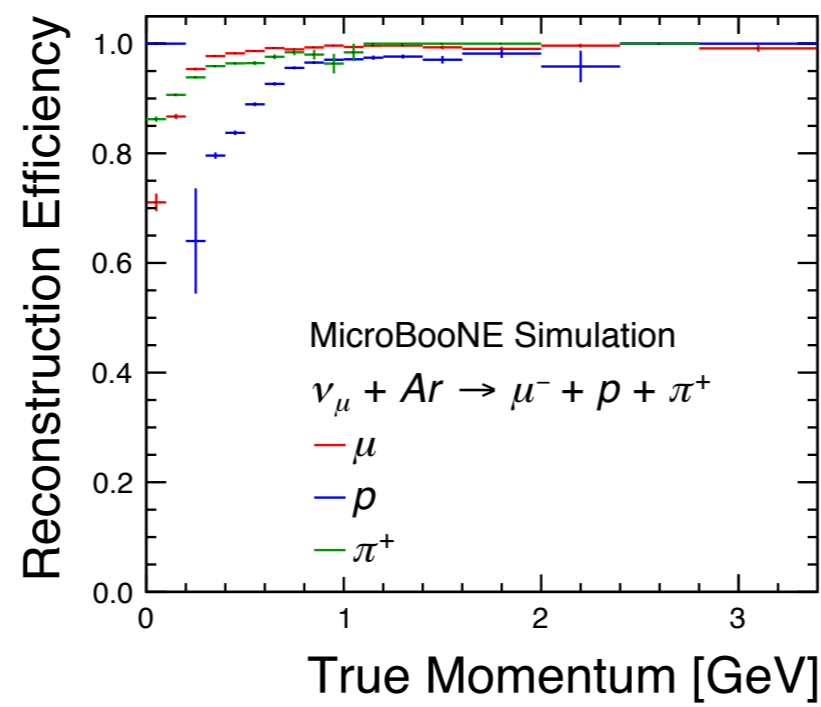
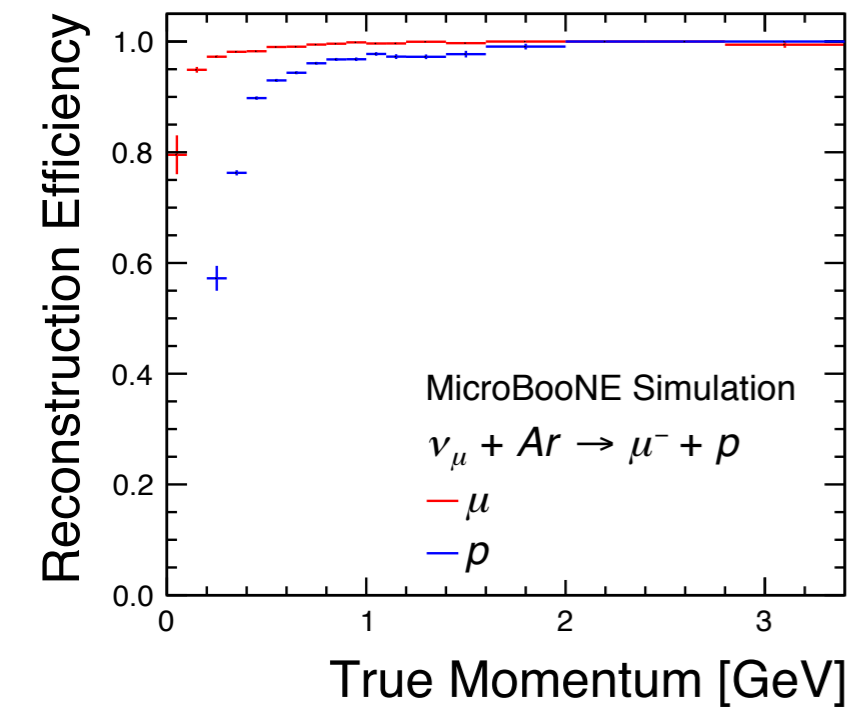
Michel Electron

MicroBooNE Event Reconstruction

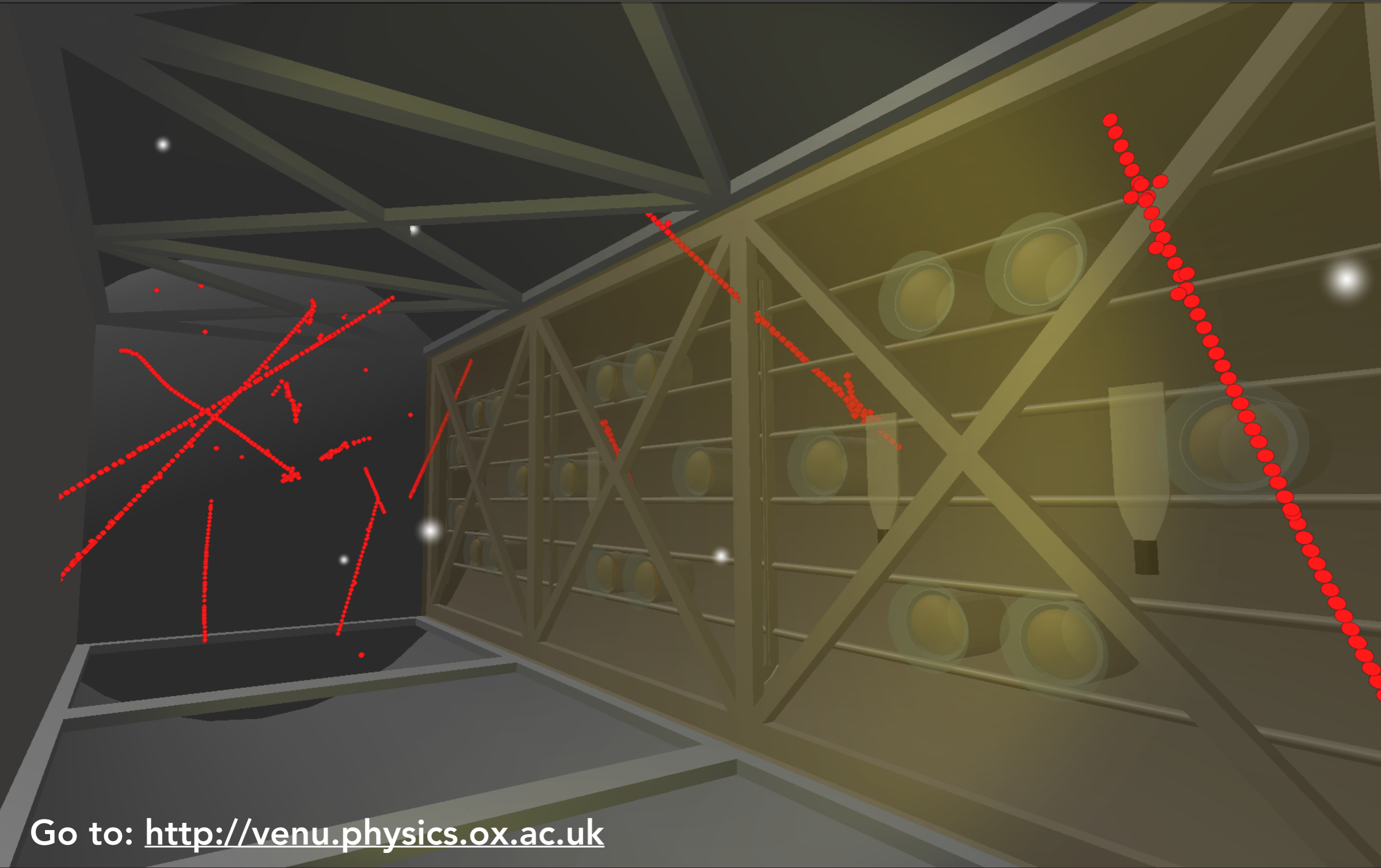
Pandora: automated pattern recognition

arXiv:1708.03135

MicroBooNE uses Pandora to perform automated pattern recognition of cosmic-ray muon and neutrino events



The MicroBooNE LArTPC



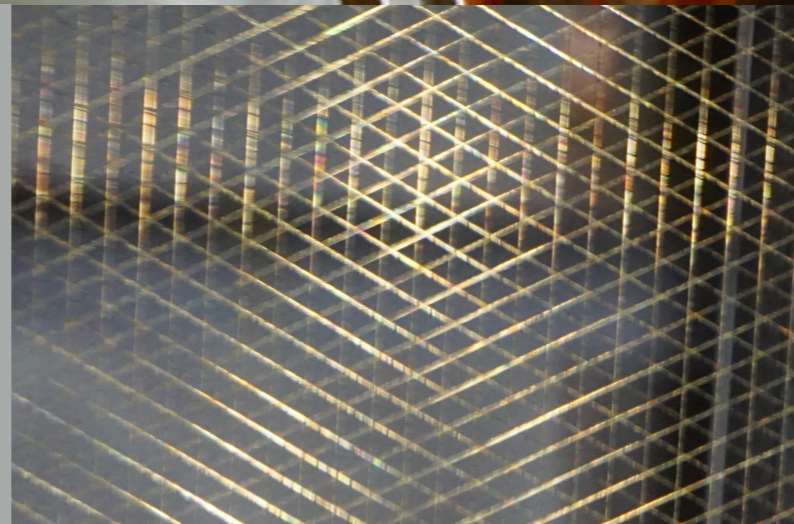
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The MicroBooNE Detector



Stainless steel wires
with gold coating

3 wire planes
8192 wires total



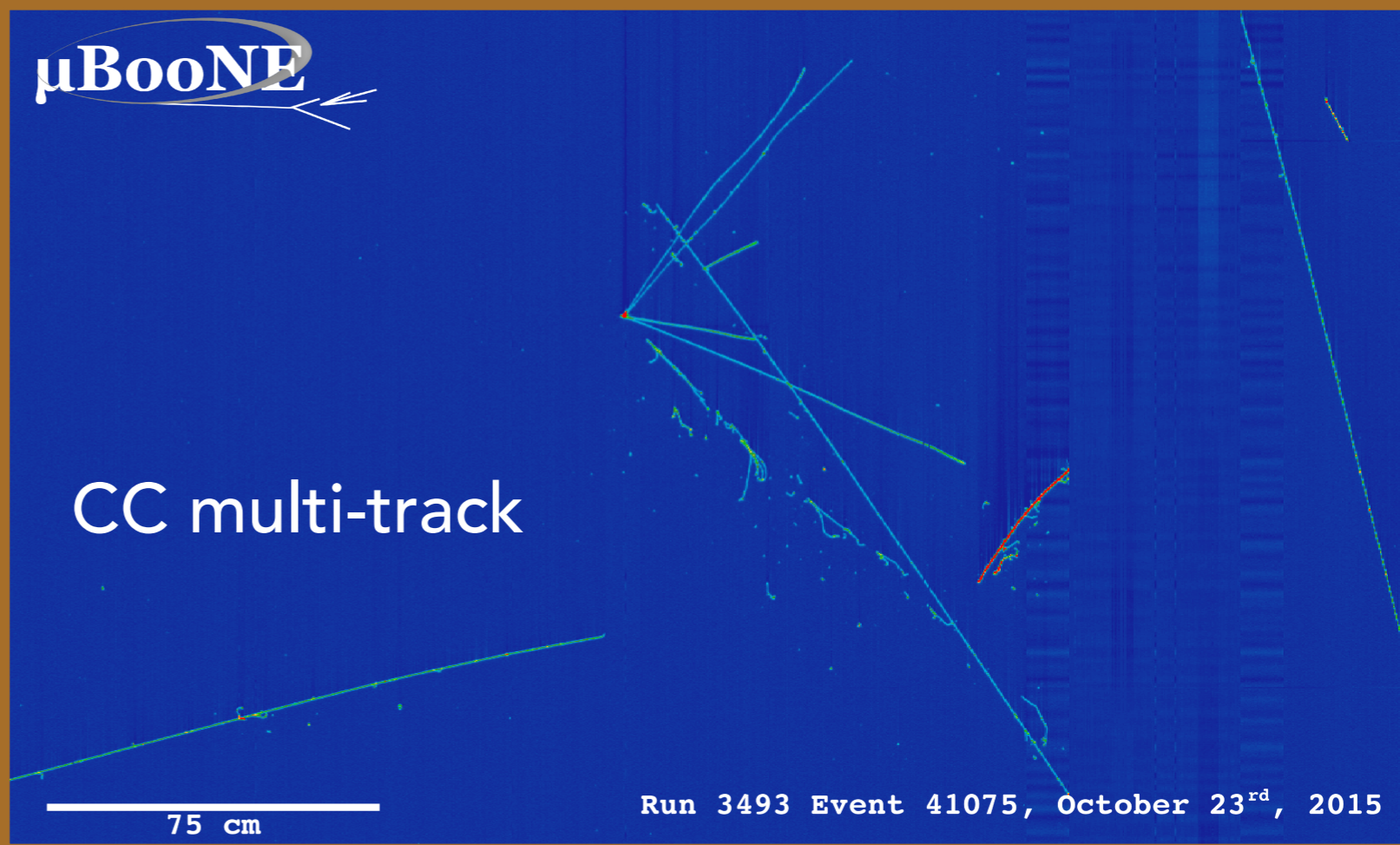
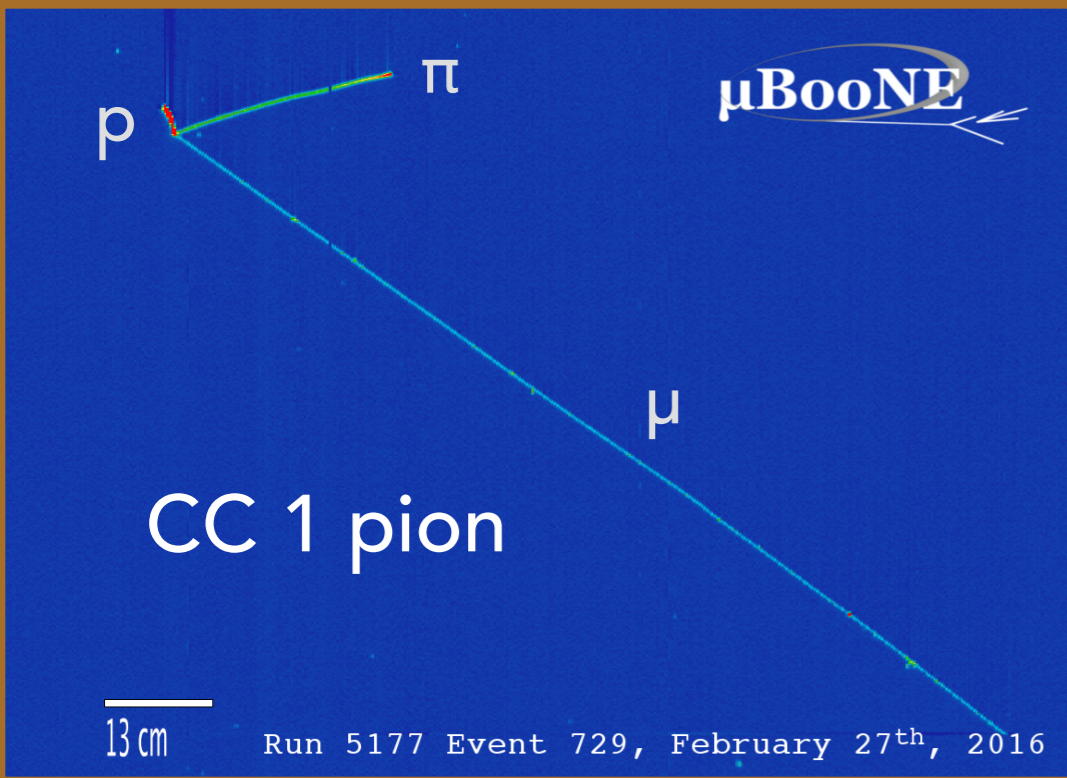
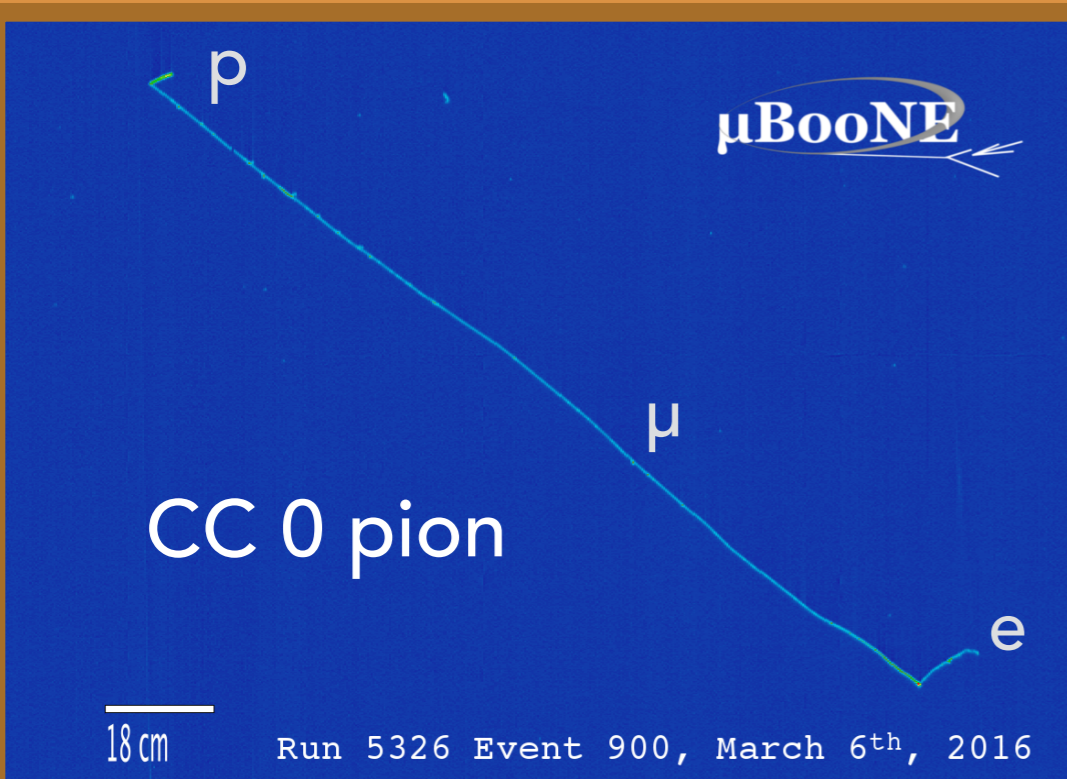
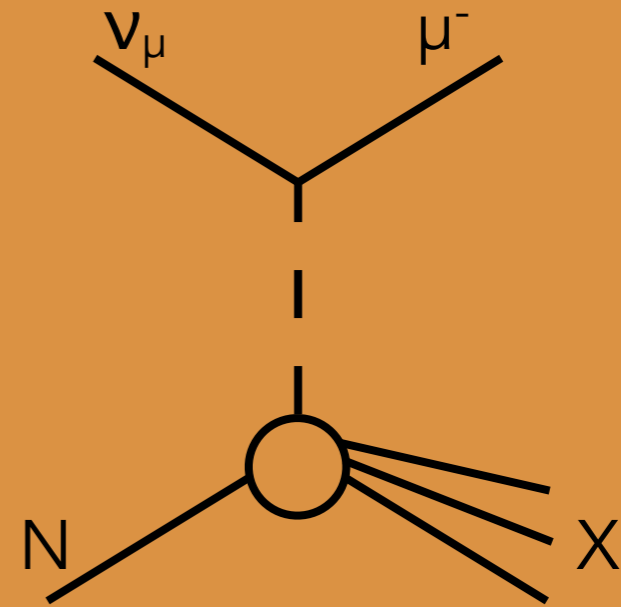
MicroBooNE cryostat lowered into the pit



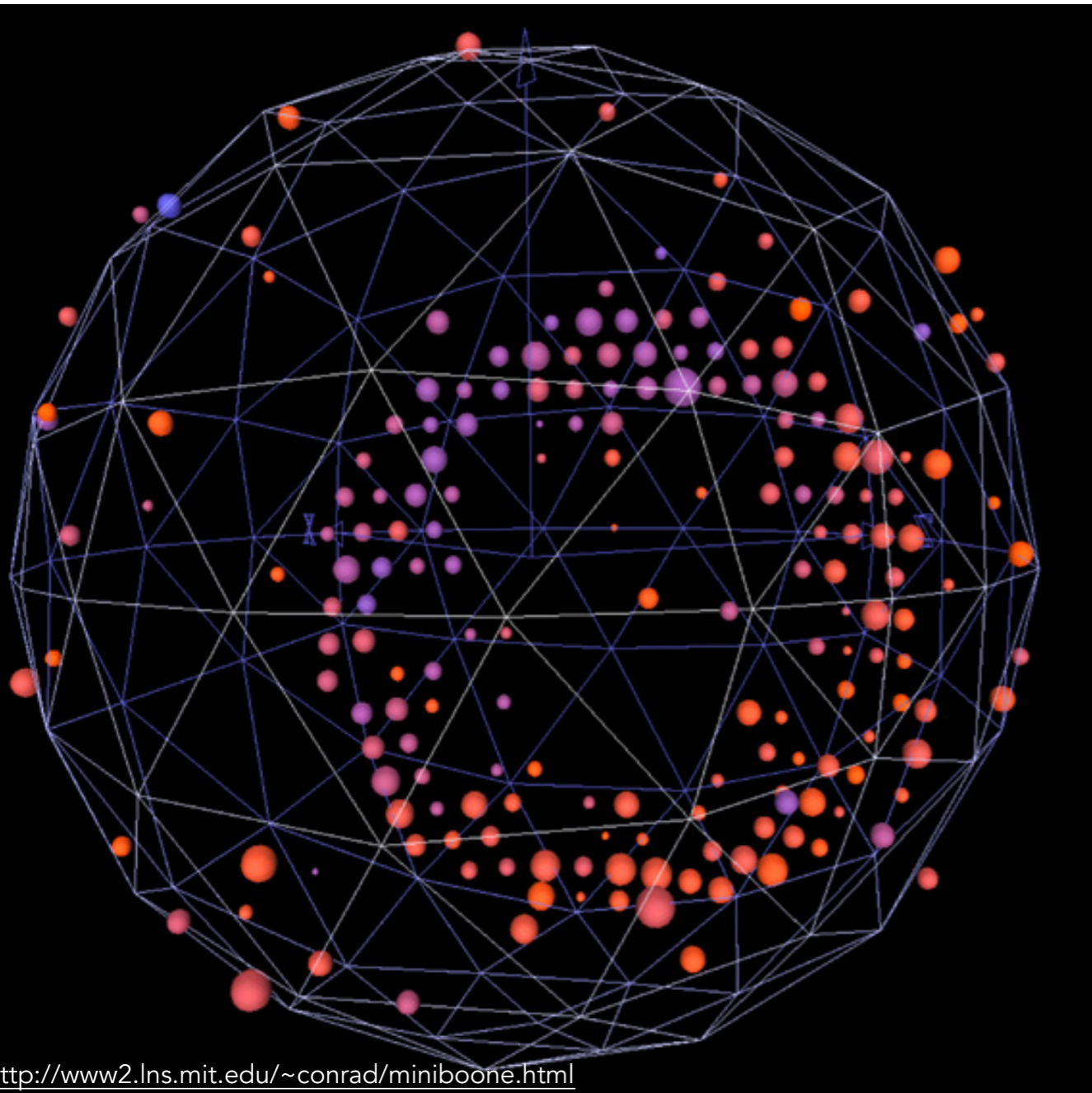
Inside the detector: PMT system

How Do These Interactions Look Like in MicroBooNE?

Charged Current

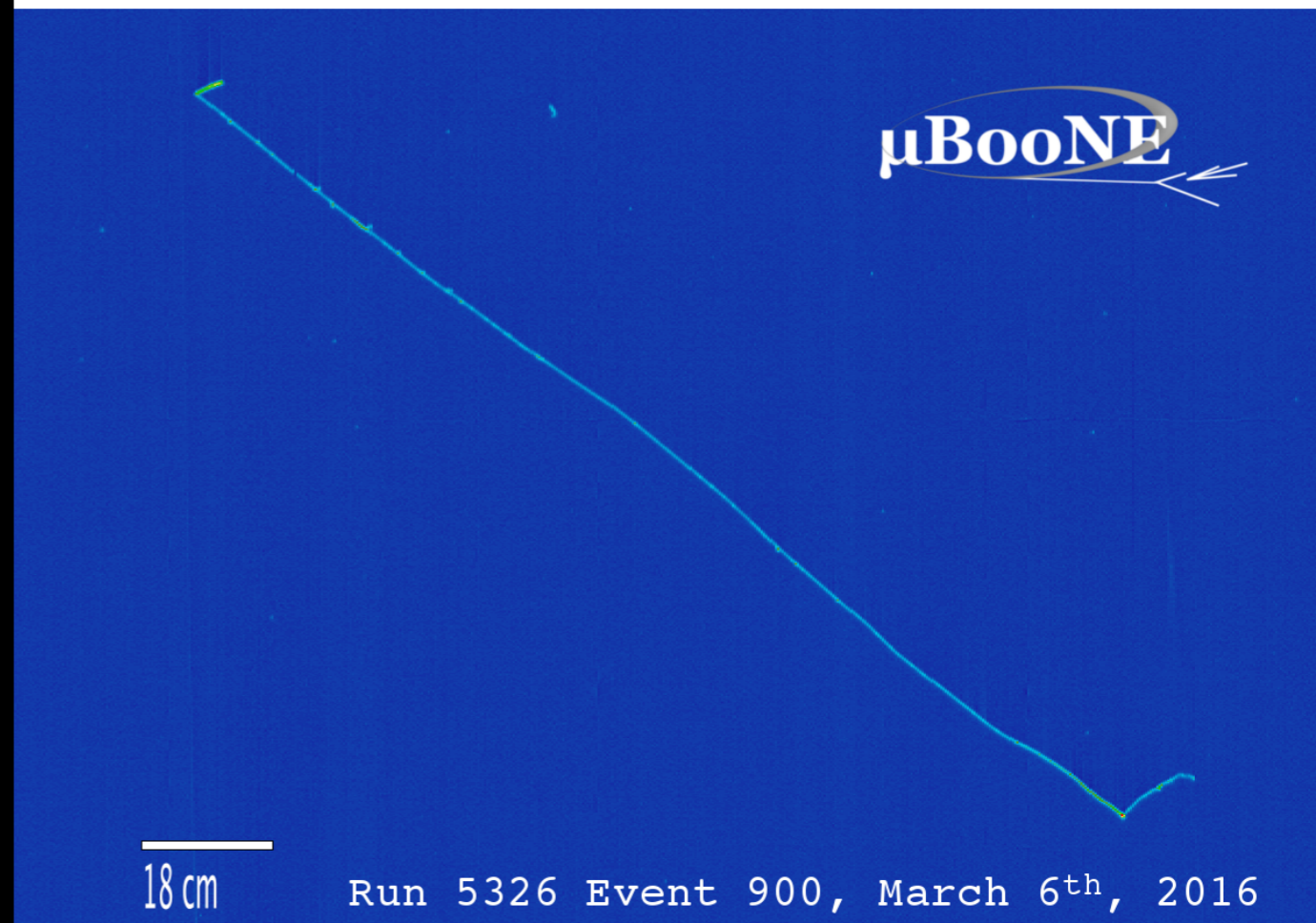


MiniBooNE



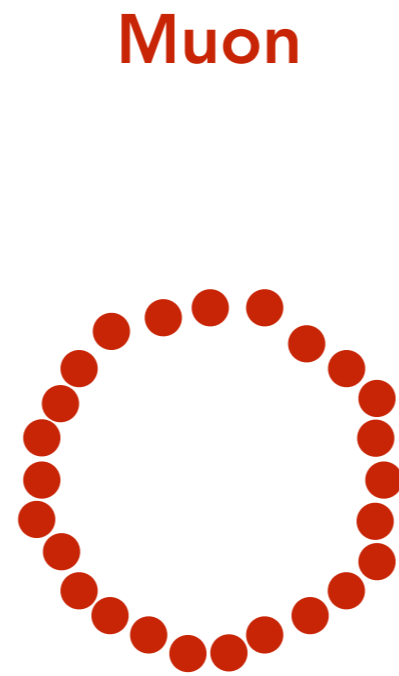
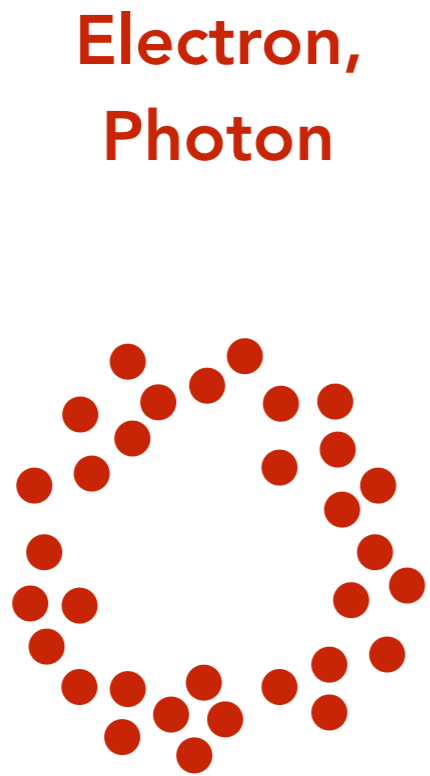
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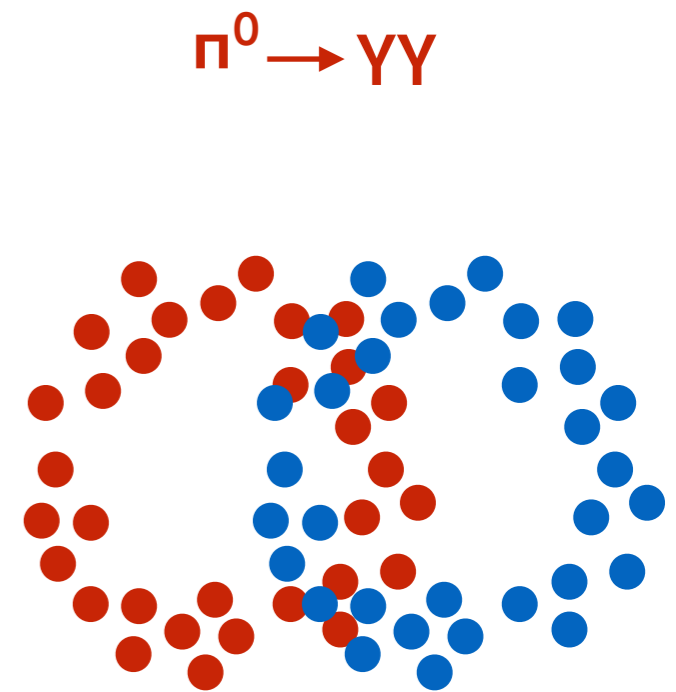


CC0 π - Event Topology

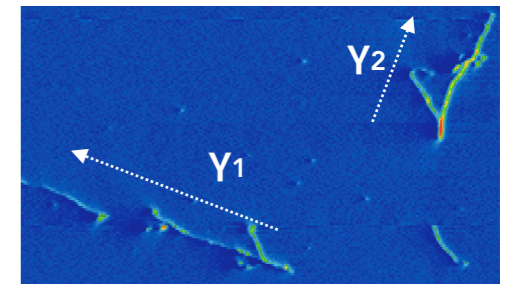
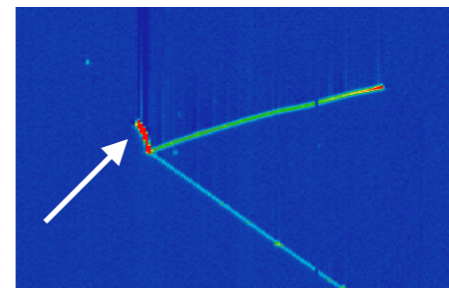
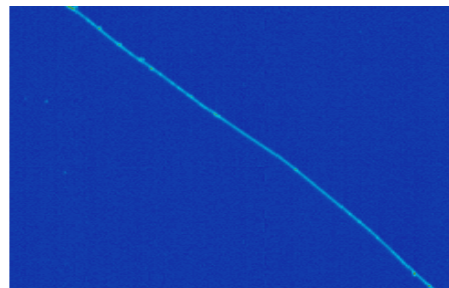
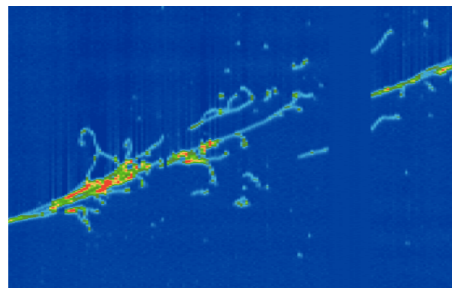
Cherenkov
(MiniBooNE)



Proton



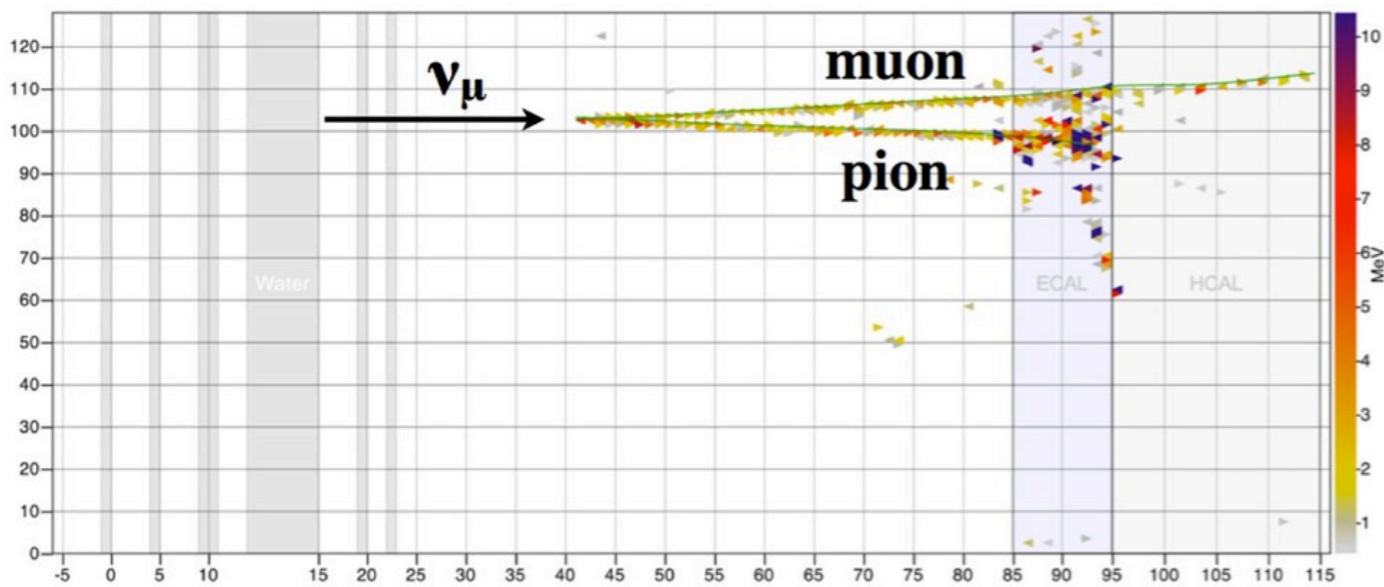
LArTPC
(MicroBooNE)



CC1 π - Event Topology

MINERvA

MicroBooNE

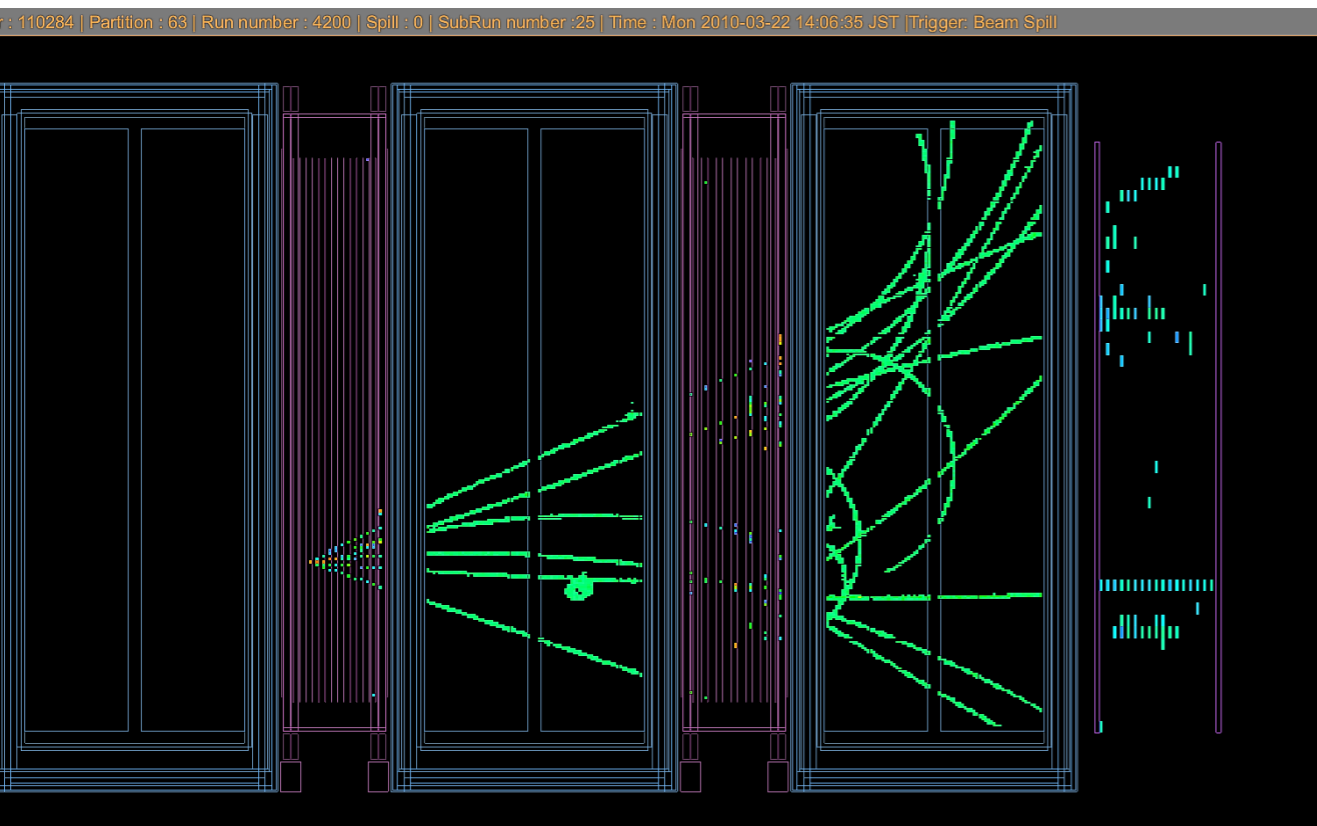


<https://sciencesprings.wordpress.com/tag/fnal-minerva/>



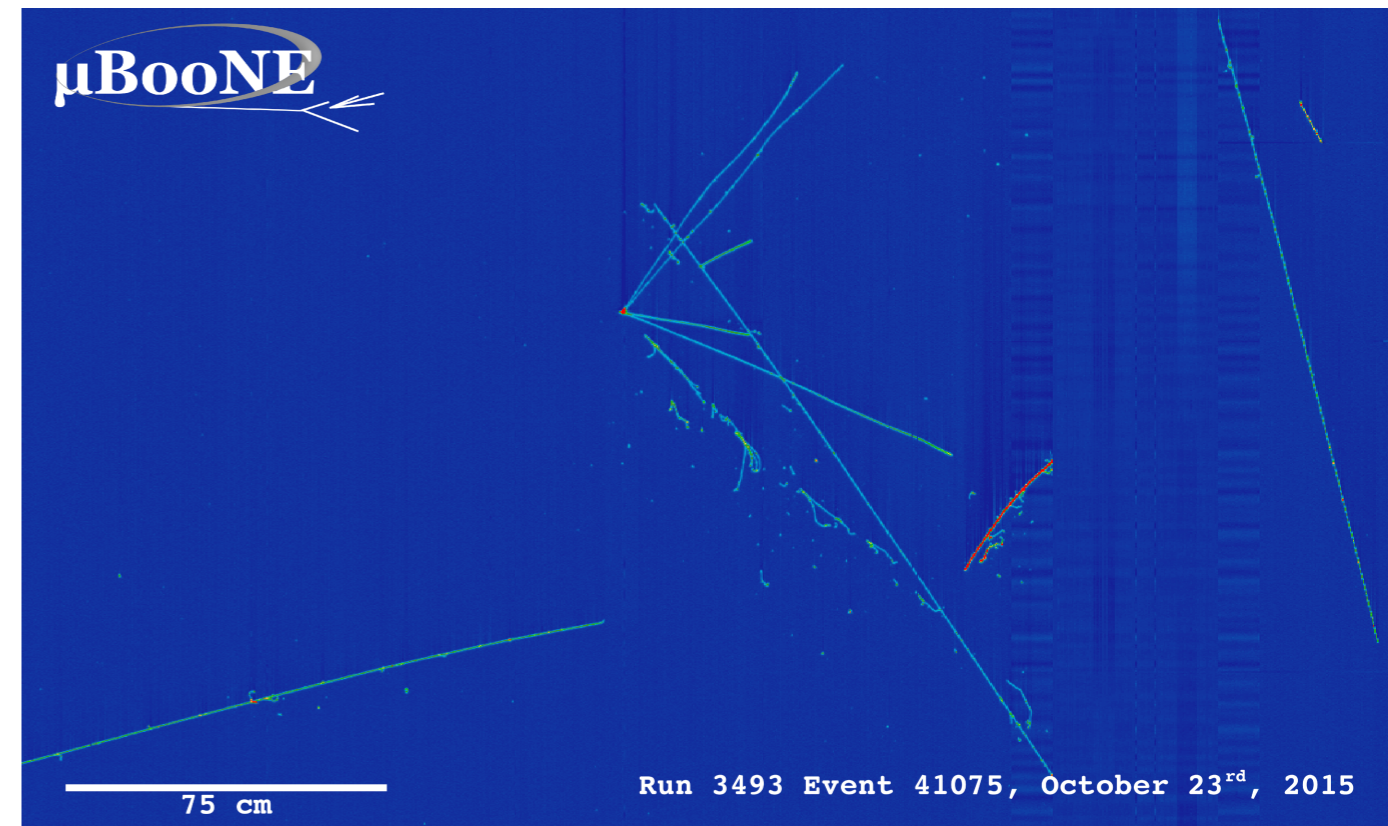
CC Multi Track - Event Topology

T2K



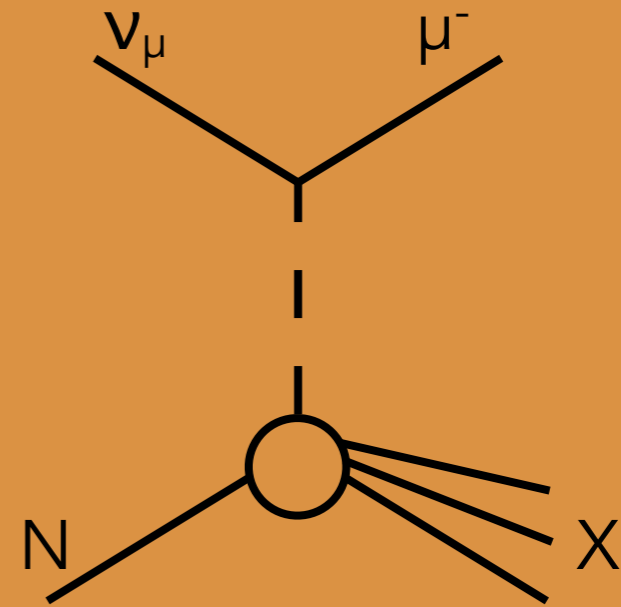
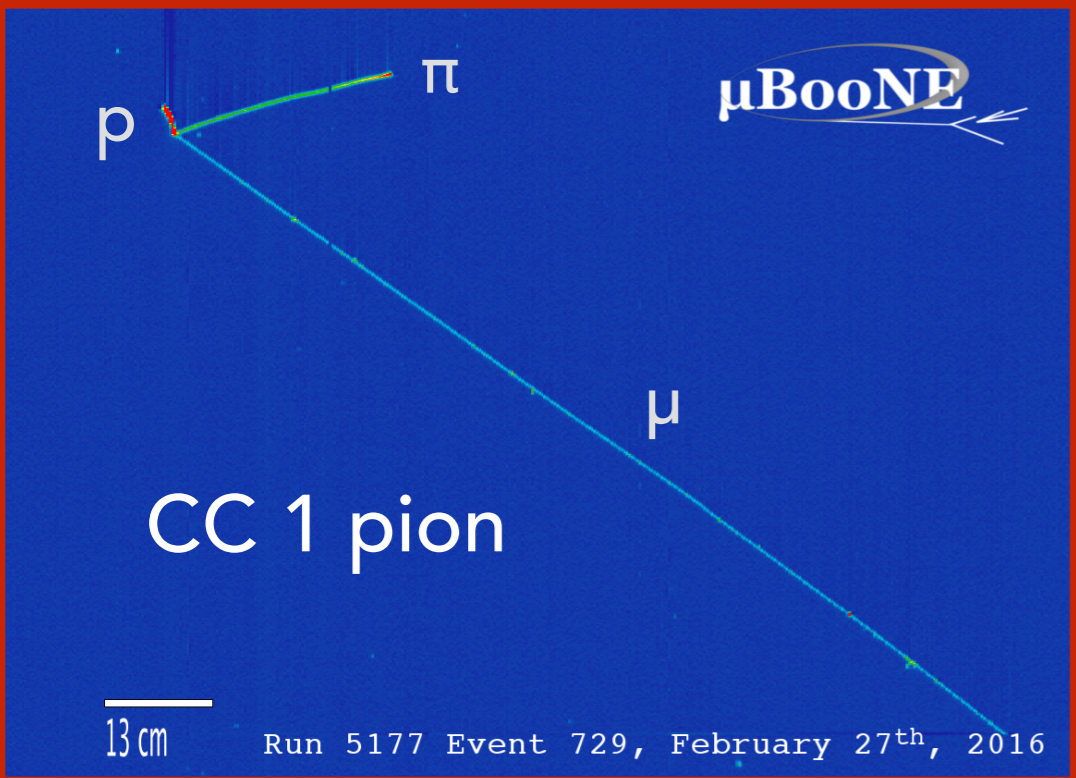
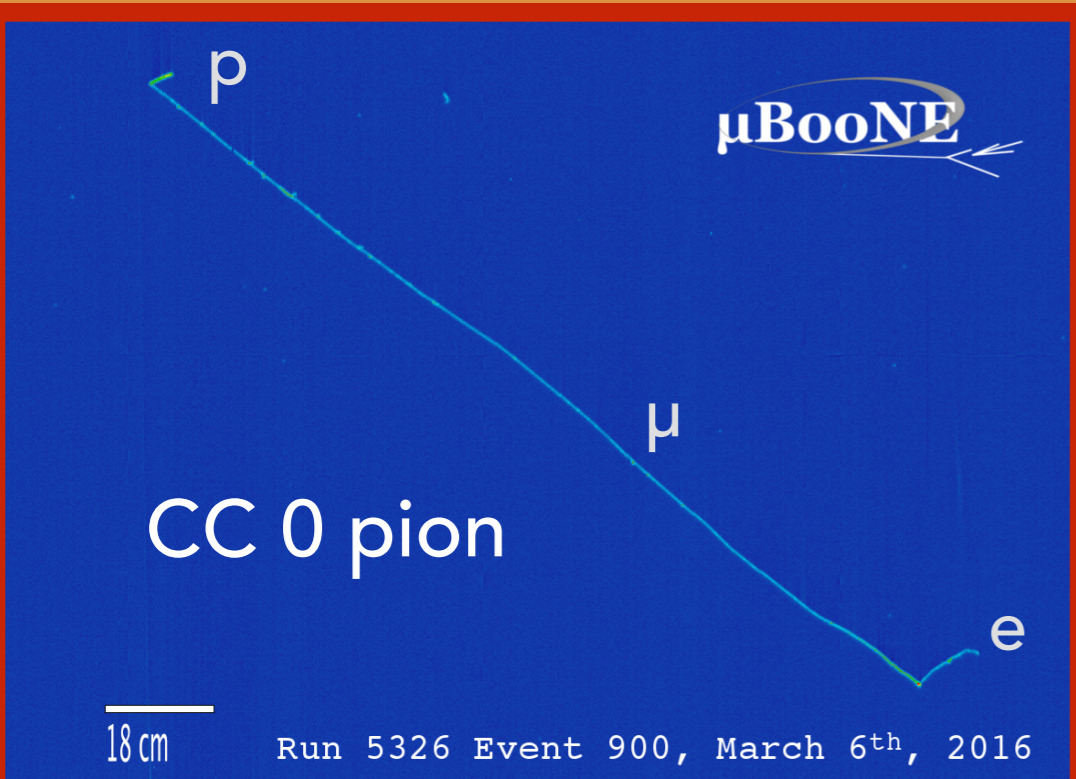
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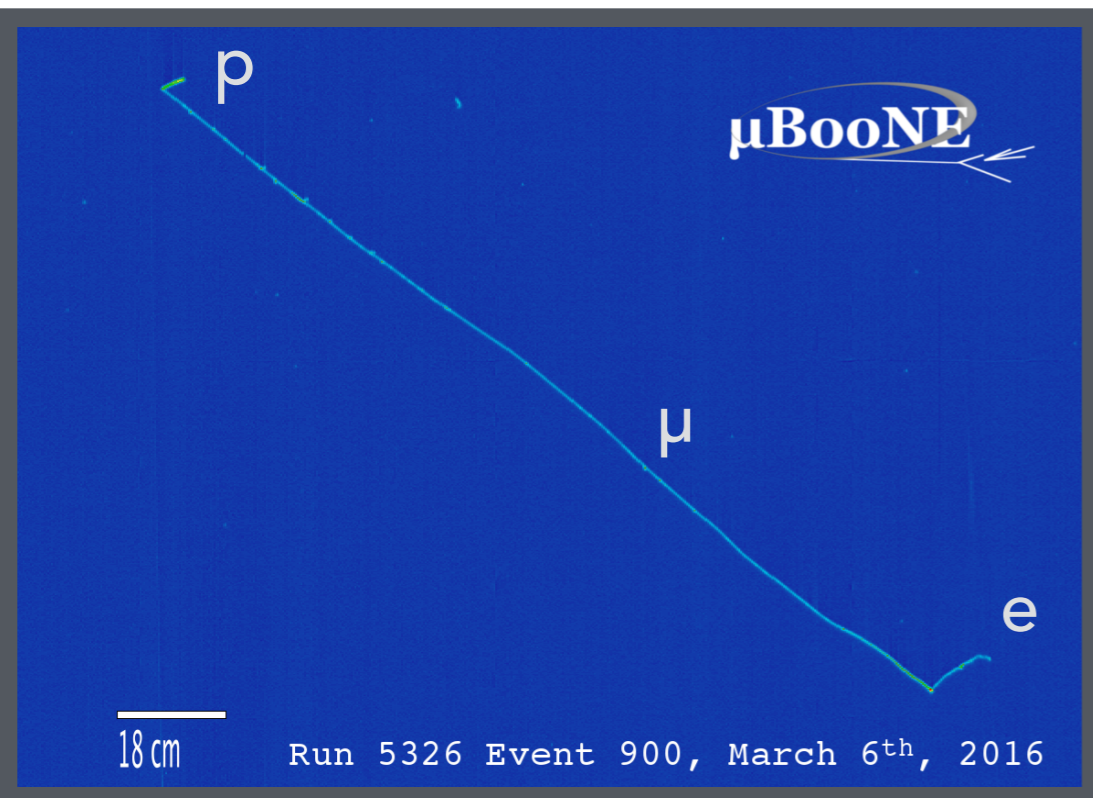
Now Focusing on CC-Inclusive

Charged Current



CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

ν_μ CC-Inclusive Analysis



- ▶ **First channel** that will be addressed by the MicroBooNE cross-section program
- ▶ Simple: looking for a **long muon track**
- ▶ We have an **automated** reconstruction and event selection

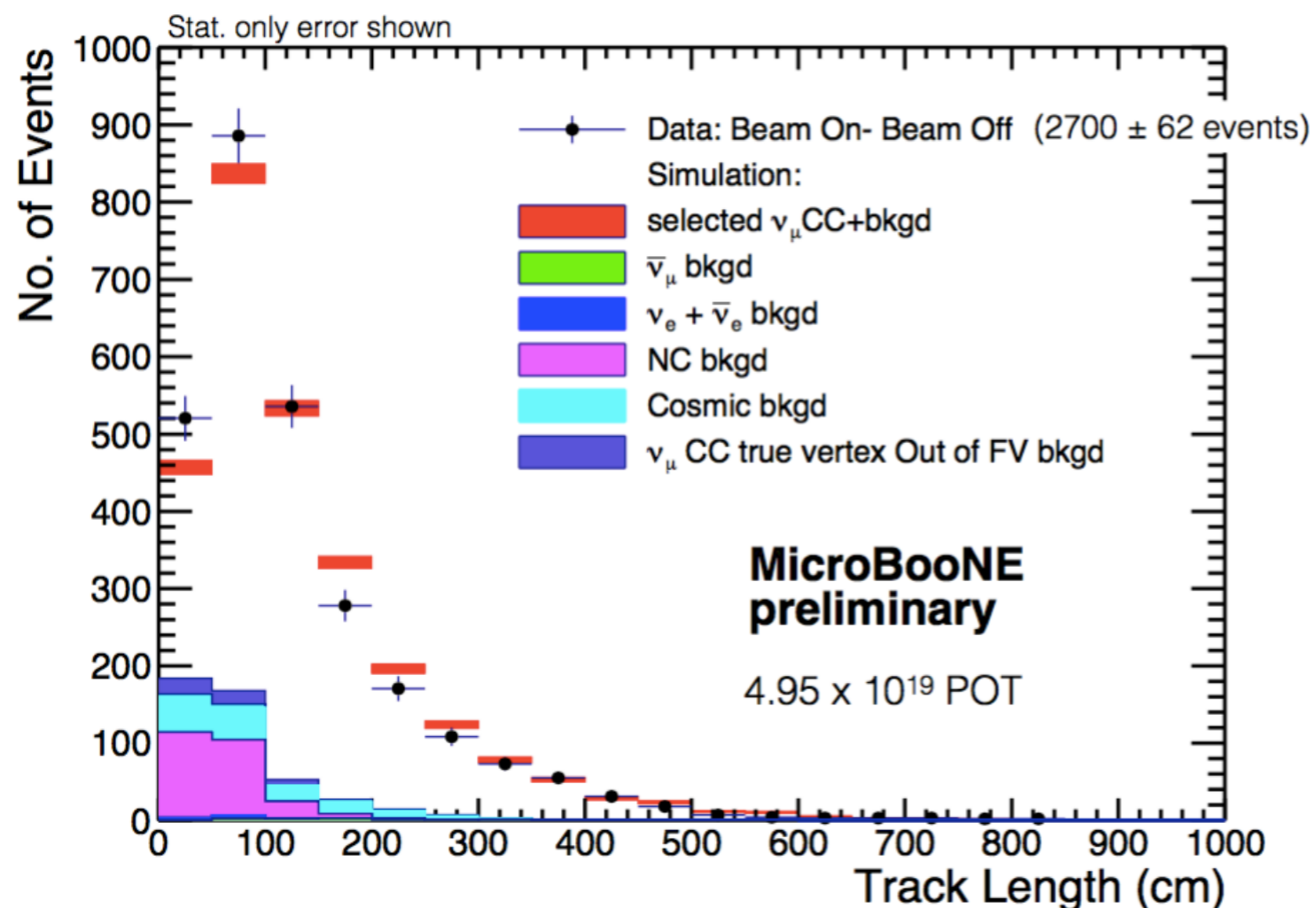
Motivations

- ▶ Interesting physics measurement on argon, provides input for theory
- ▶ Will constrain the **ν_e rate** in MicroBooNE and other backgrounds
- ▶ Will provide a sample to study other specific **channels** (π^0 , proton kinematics, ...)

CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

CC-inclusive event distributions

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Data

(Beam On – Beam Off)

corresponds to 4.95×10^{19} POT
(3 months of data taking), about
2700 ν_{μ} -CC candidate events

MC

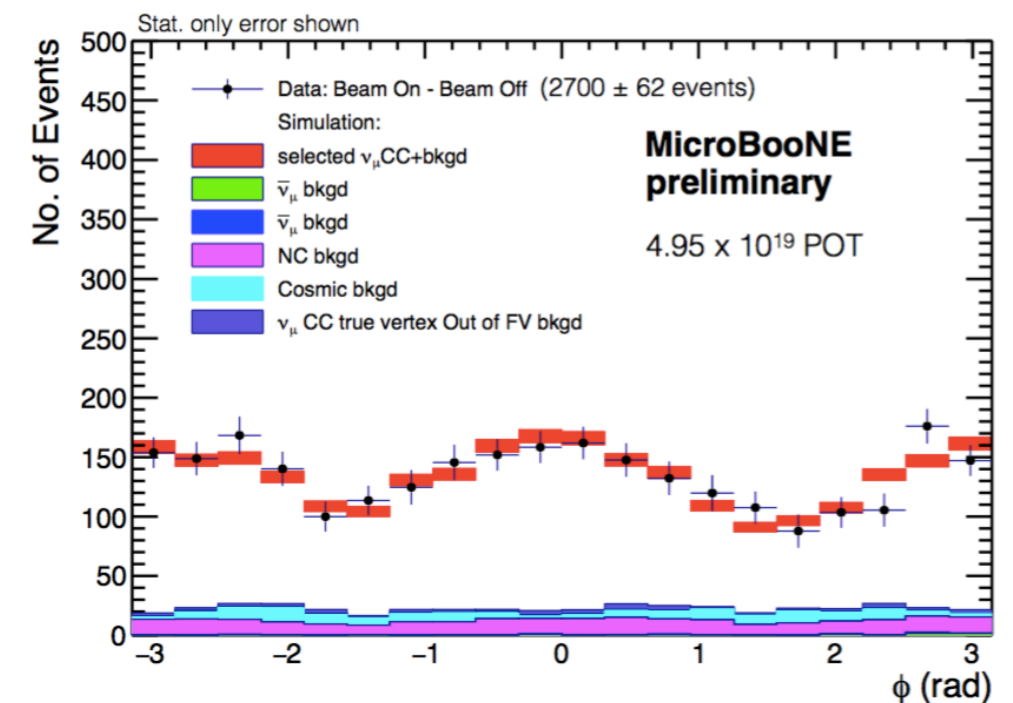
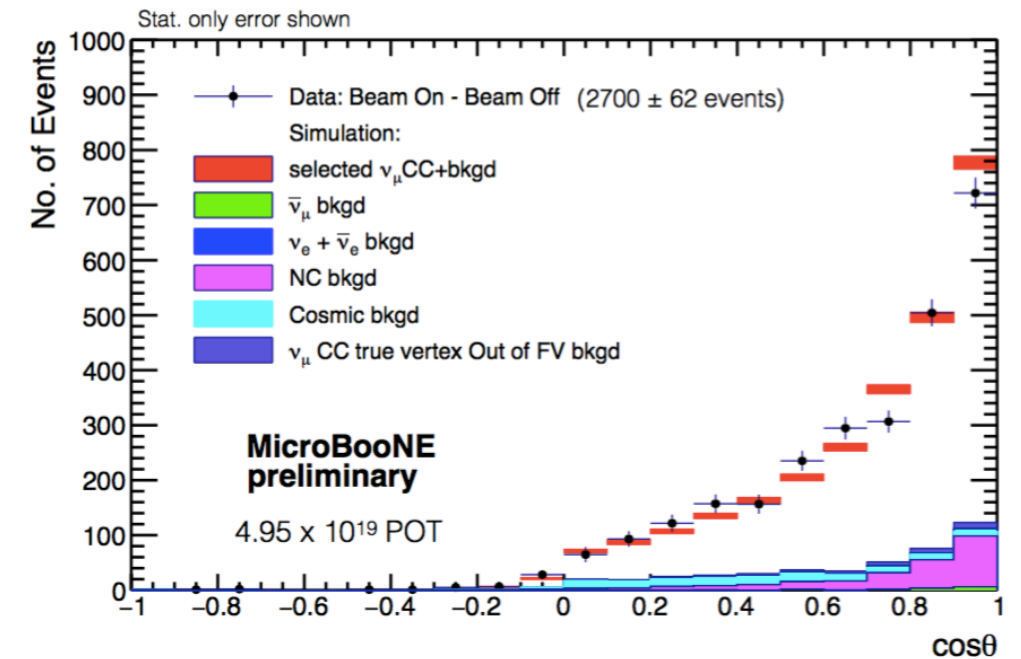
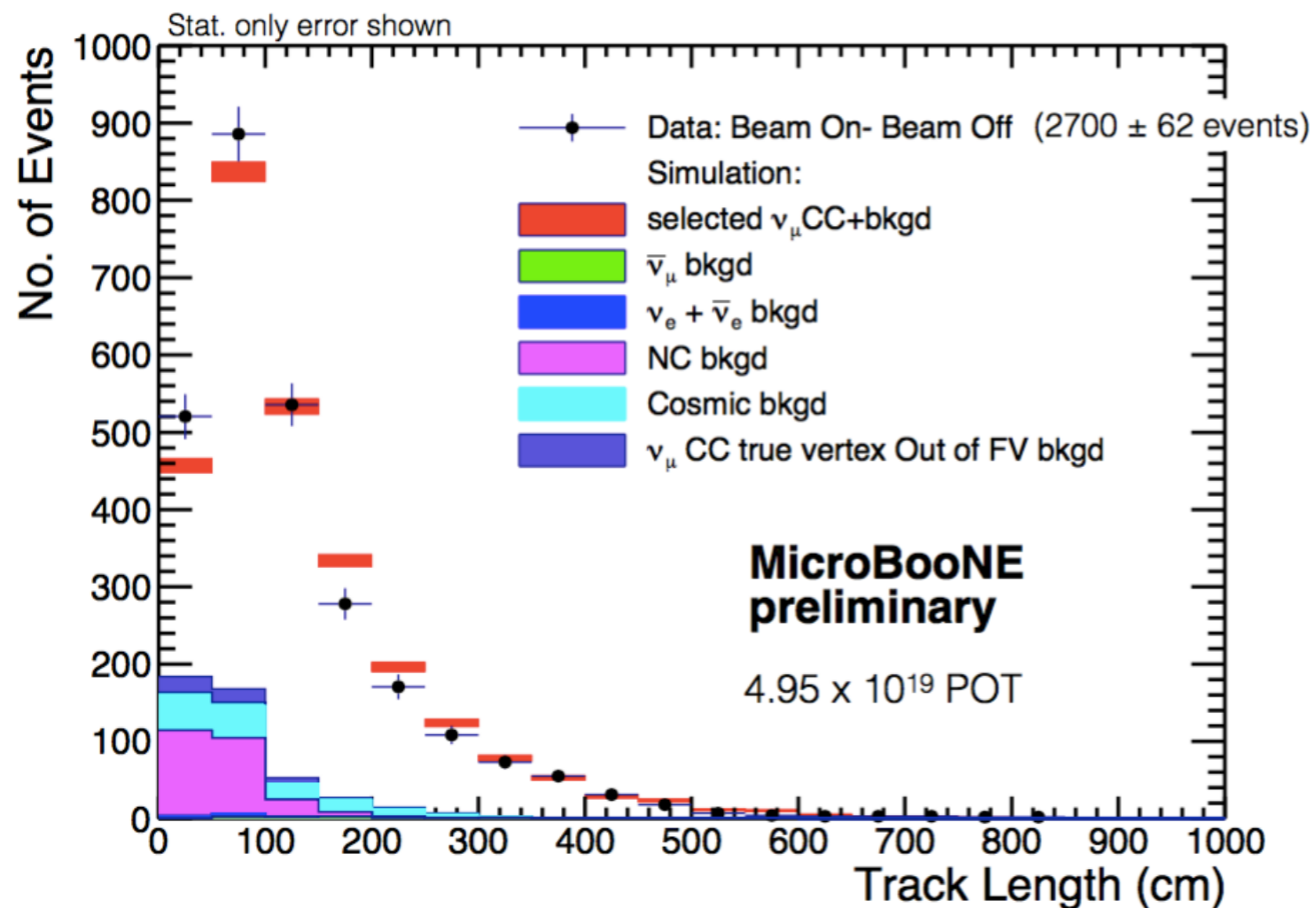
Neutrino interaction (GENIE 2.8.6),
cosmic (CORSIKA v7.4003).

- ▶ Simulation scaled to same number of events as data
- ▶ Cosmic background subtracted

CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

CC-inclusive event distributions

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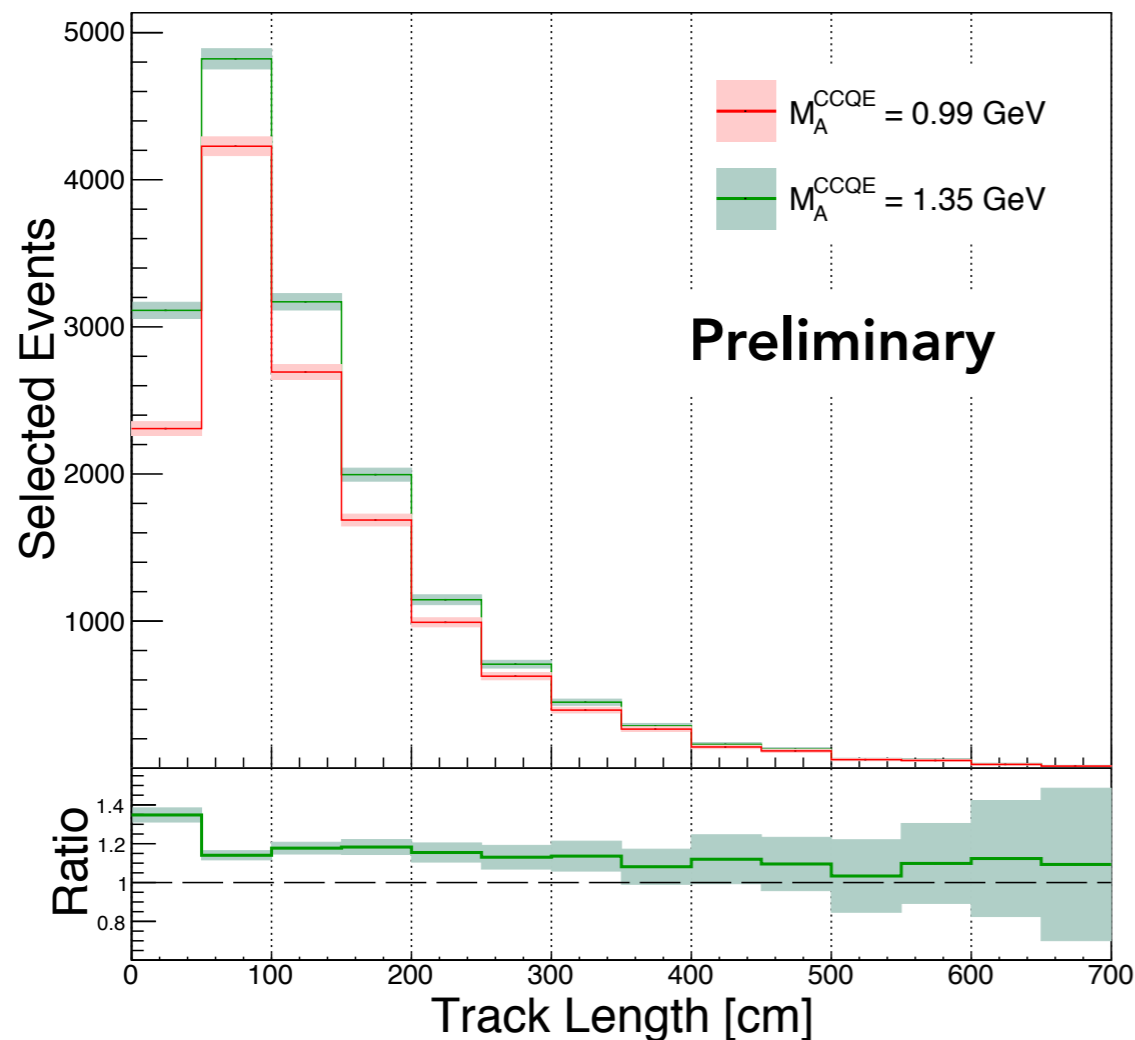
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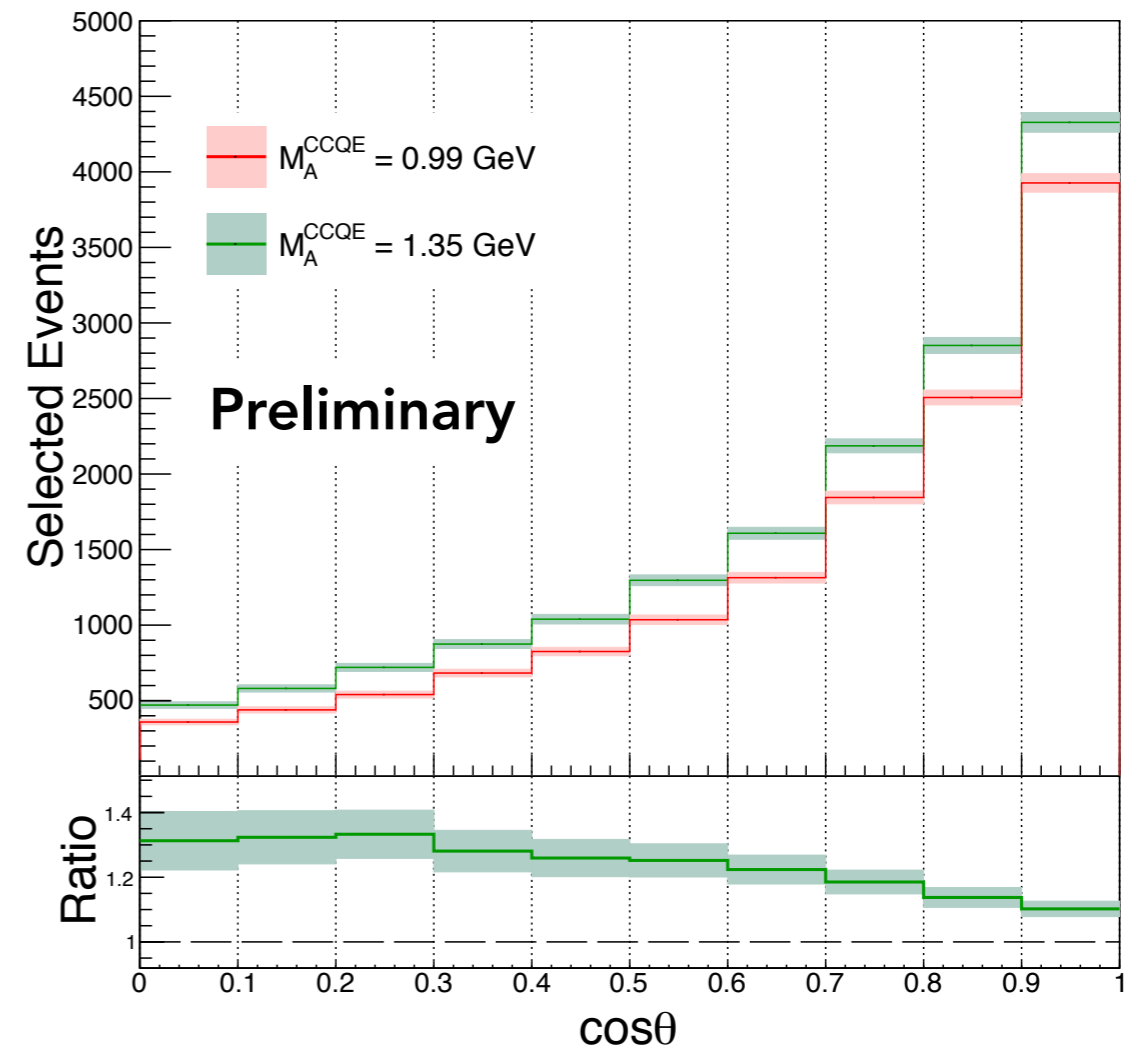
Simulated Observable Muon Kinematic Distributions

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MicroBooNE Simulation



MicroBooNE Simulation



Statistical error only
No background subtraction

Started looking at how the event distributions look like if using a different value for M_A

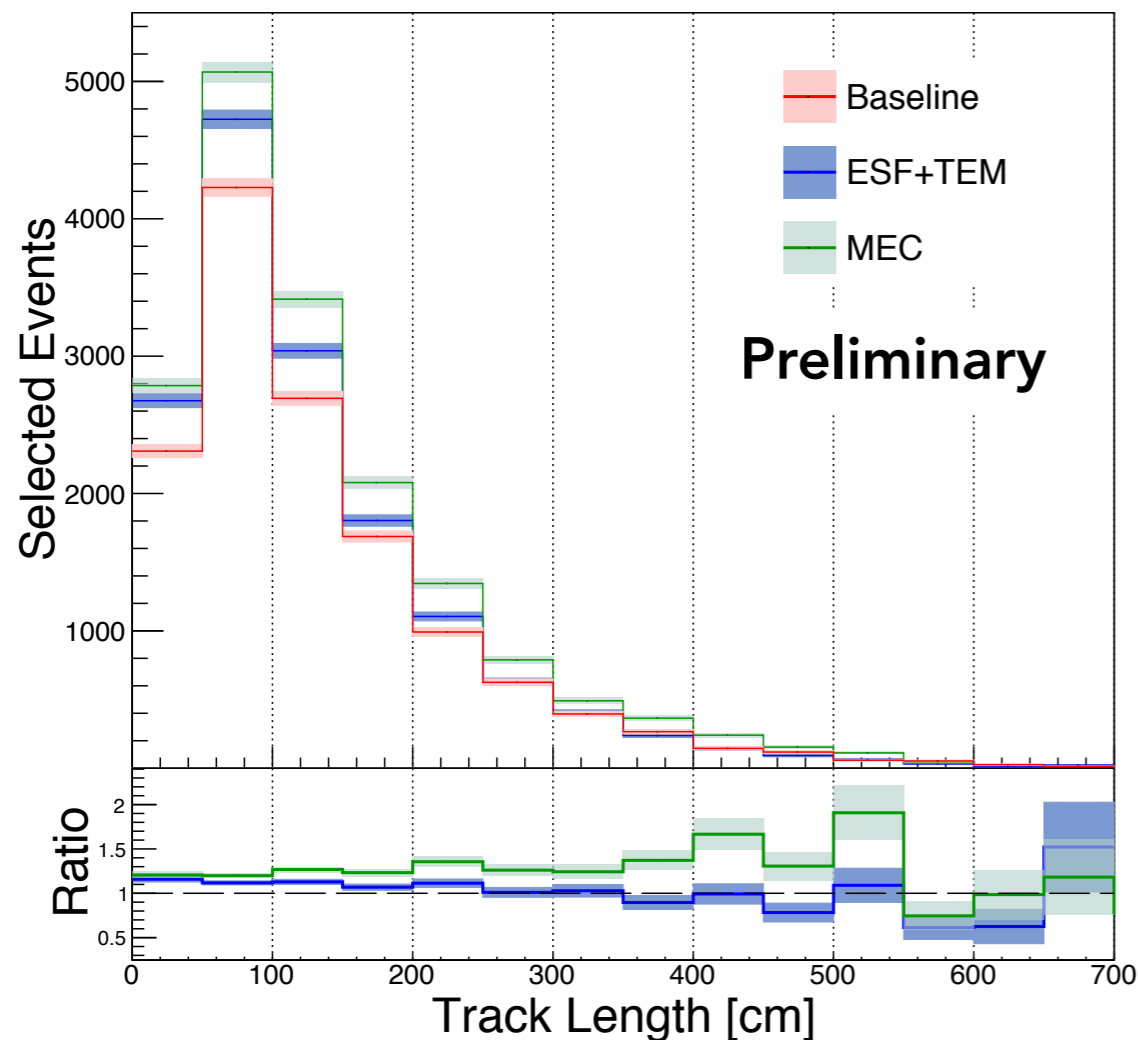
Increase in normalisation of the order of 24%

CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

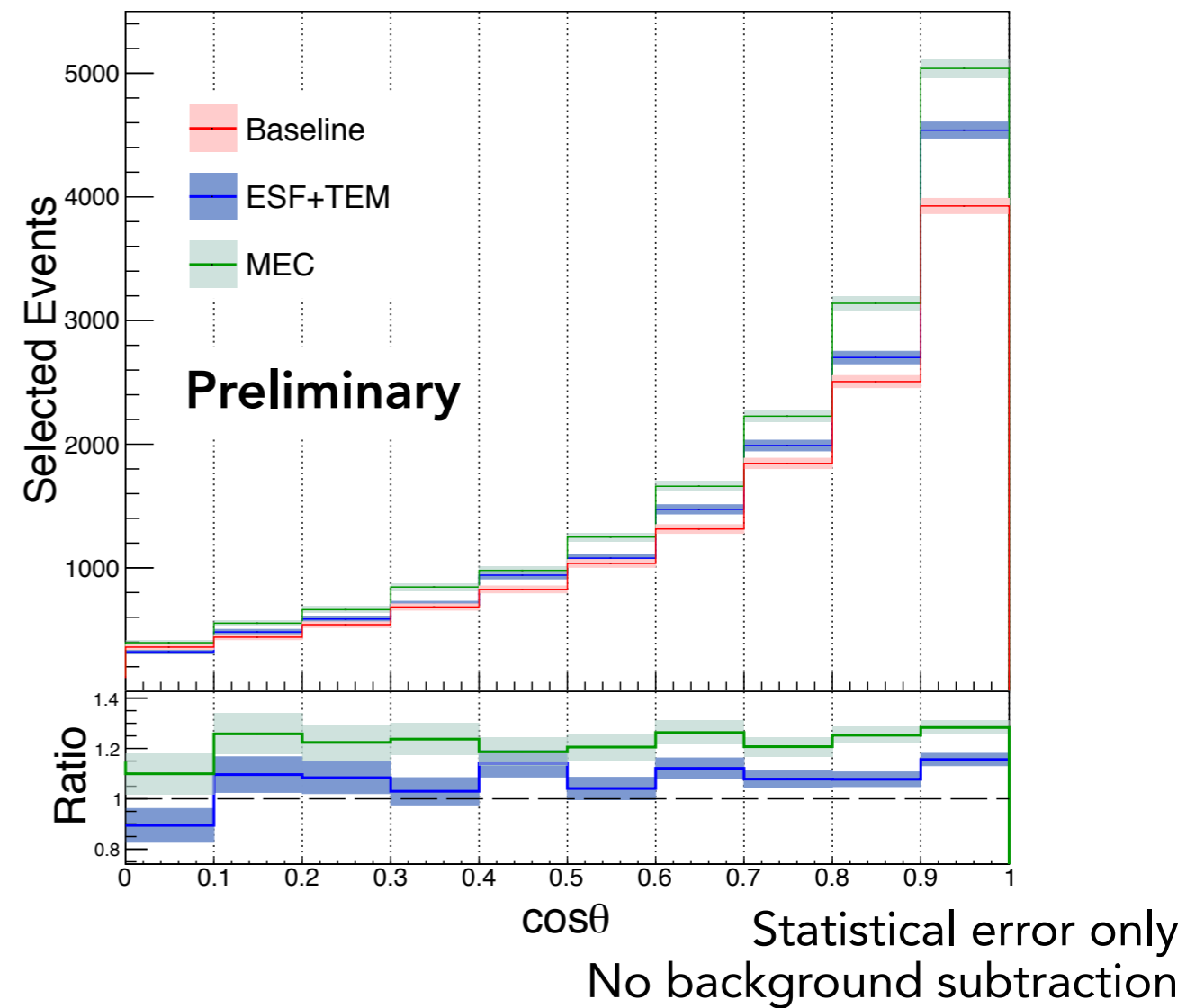
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MicroBooNE Simulation



MicroBooNE Simulation



Baseline: GENIE default 2.10.6

ESF+TEM: Effective Spectral Function +
Transverse Enhancement Model

MEC: Addition of Meson Exchange Current

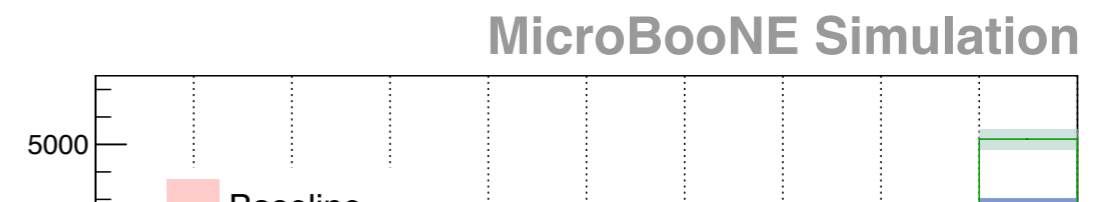
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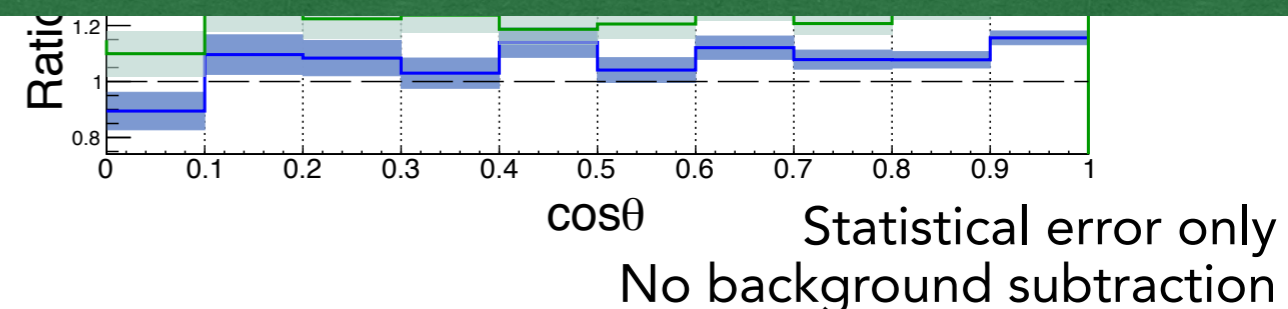
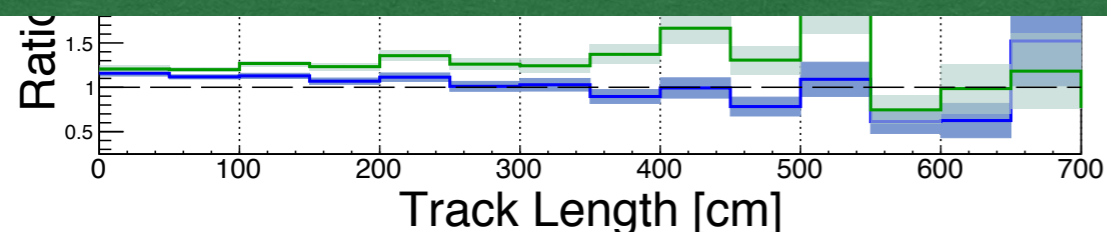
Simulated Observable Muon Kinematic Distributions

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Selection not optimised.

Work being carried now to provide a new event selection and perform a double differential cross section measurement.



Baseline: GENIE default 2.10.6

ESF+TEM: Effective Spectral Function + Transverse Enhancement Model

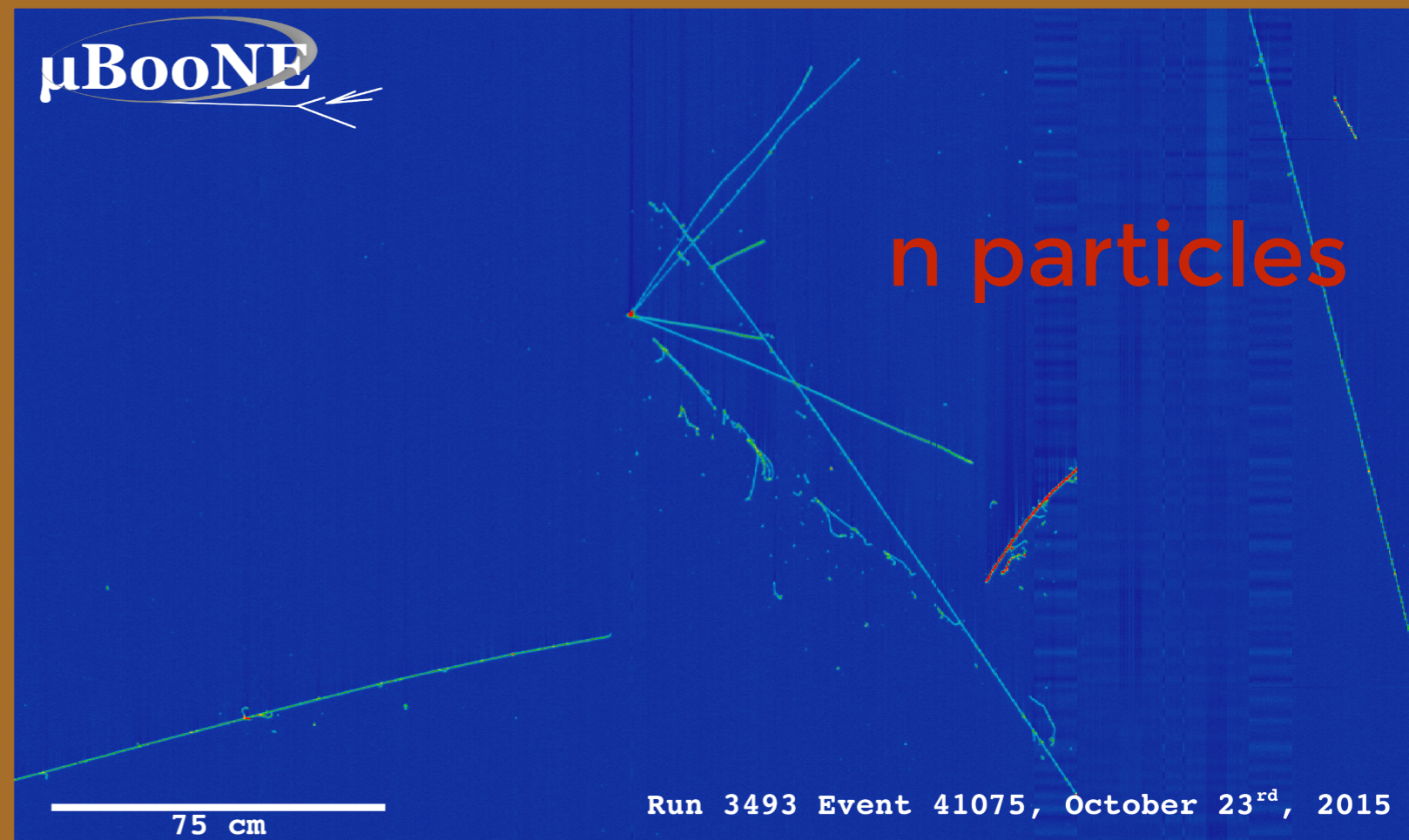
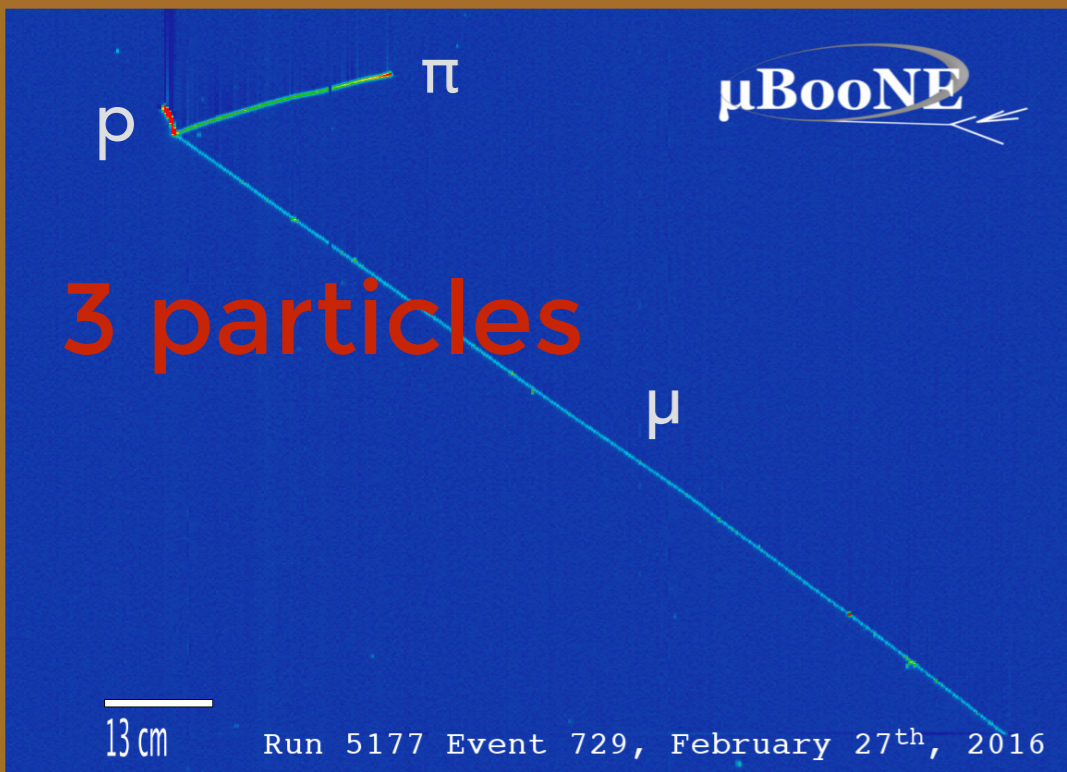
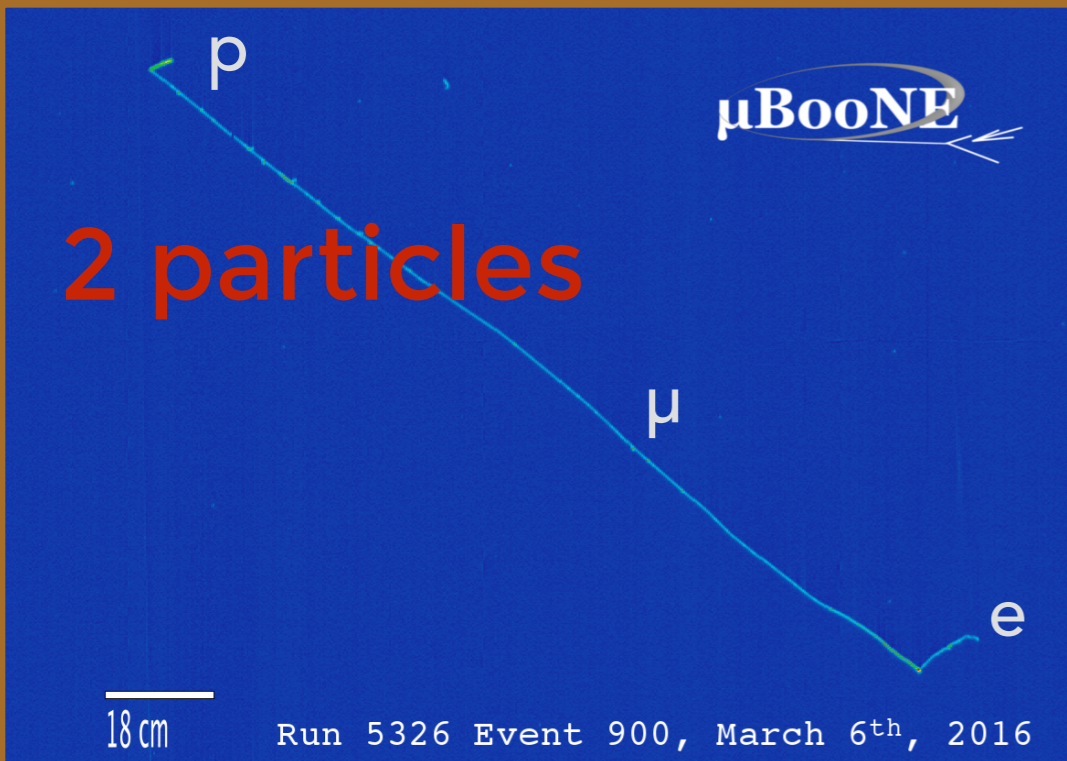
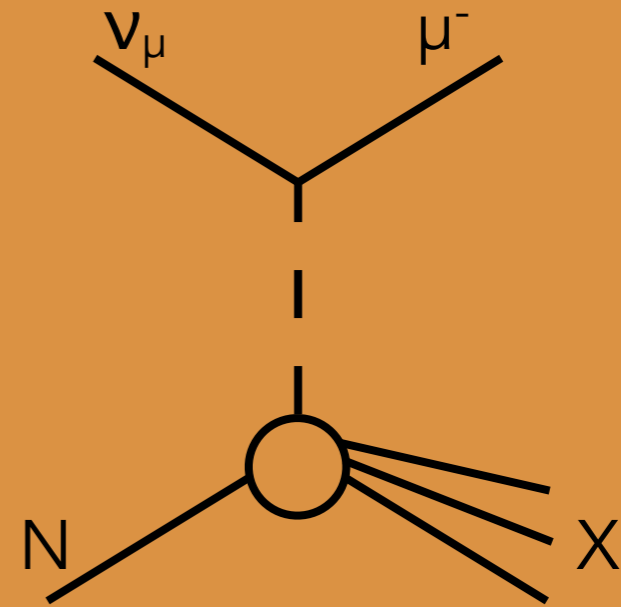
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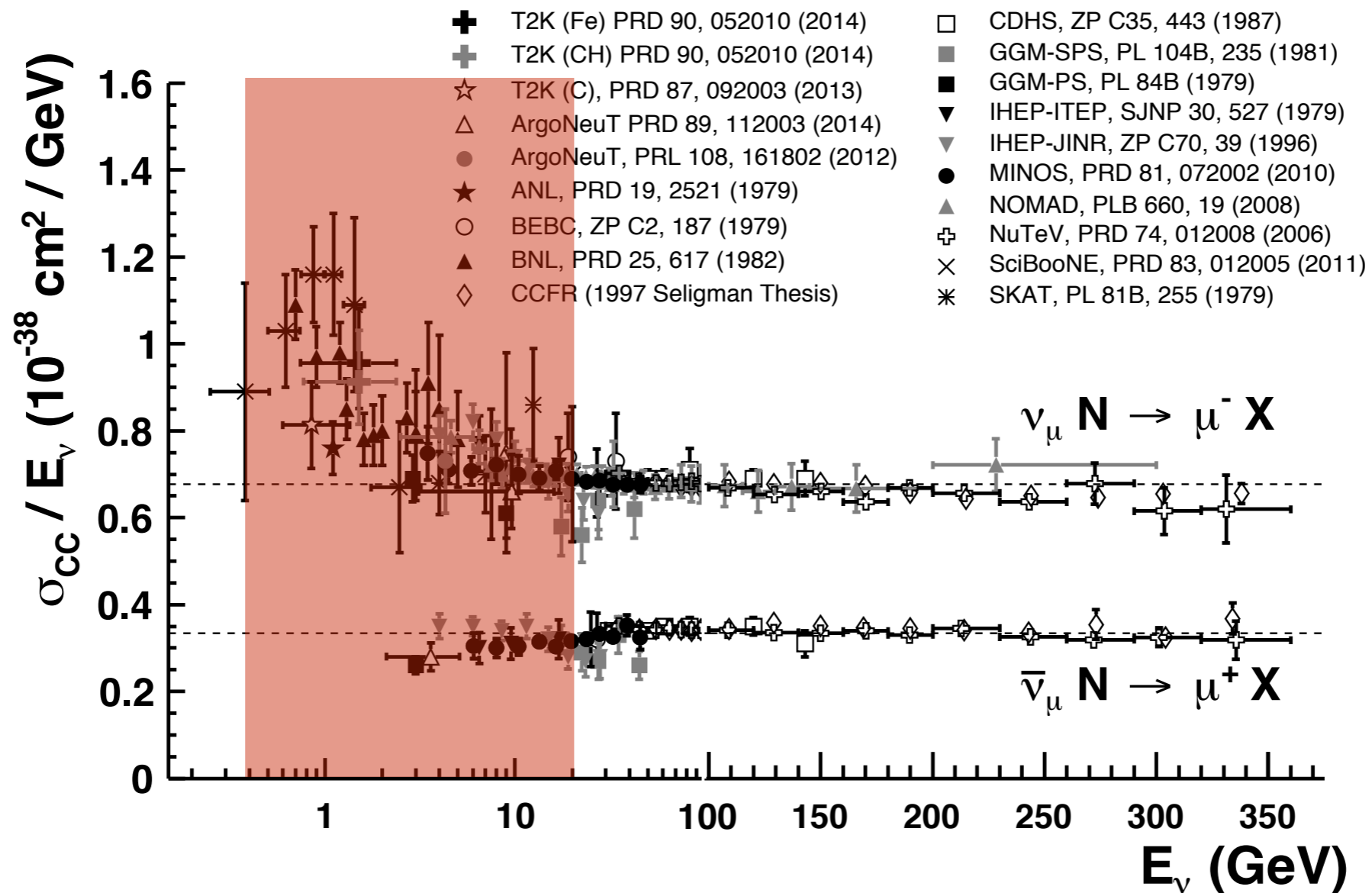
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Charged Current



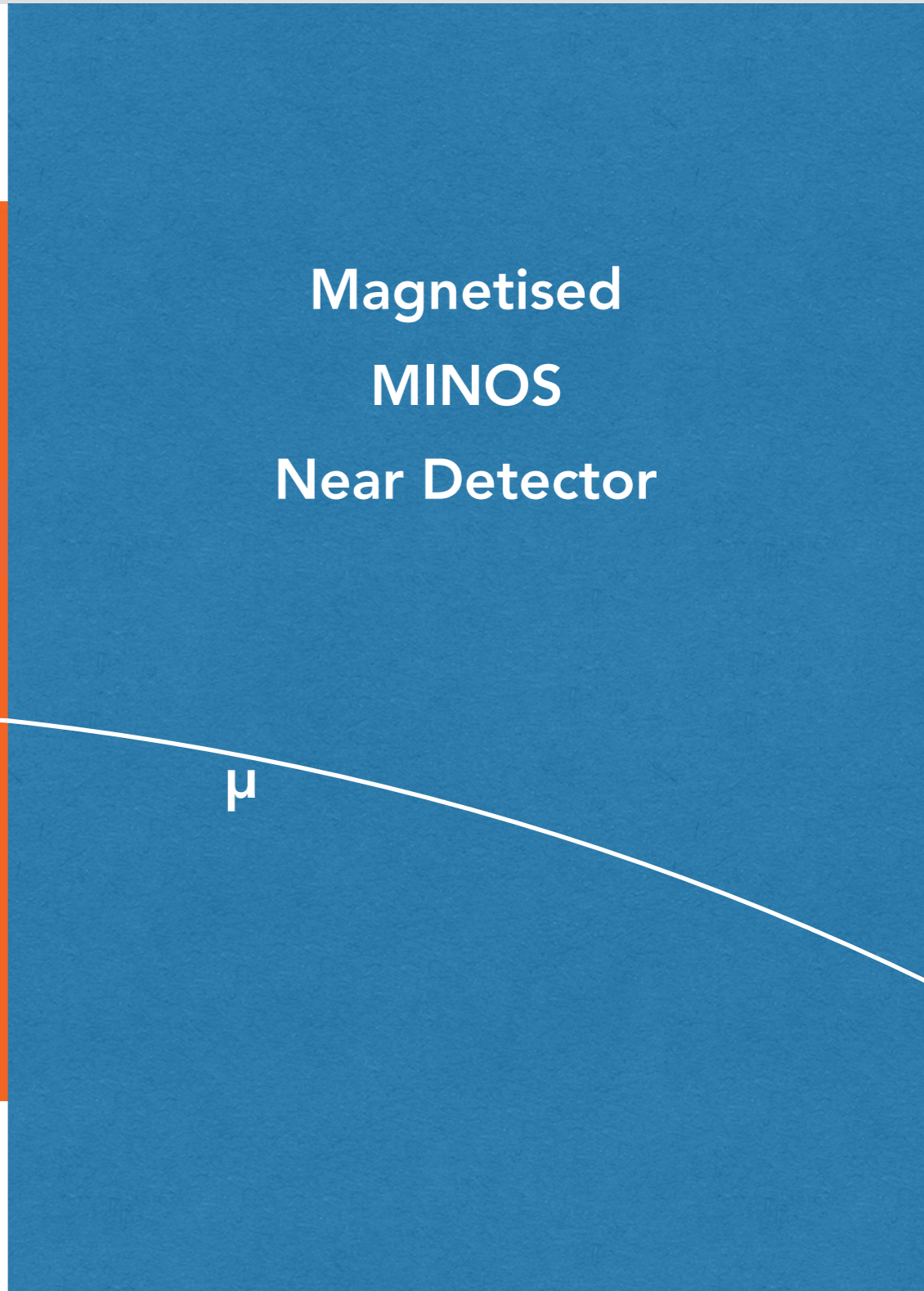
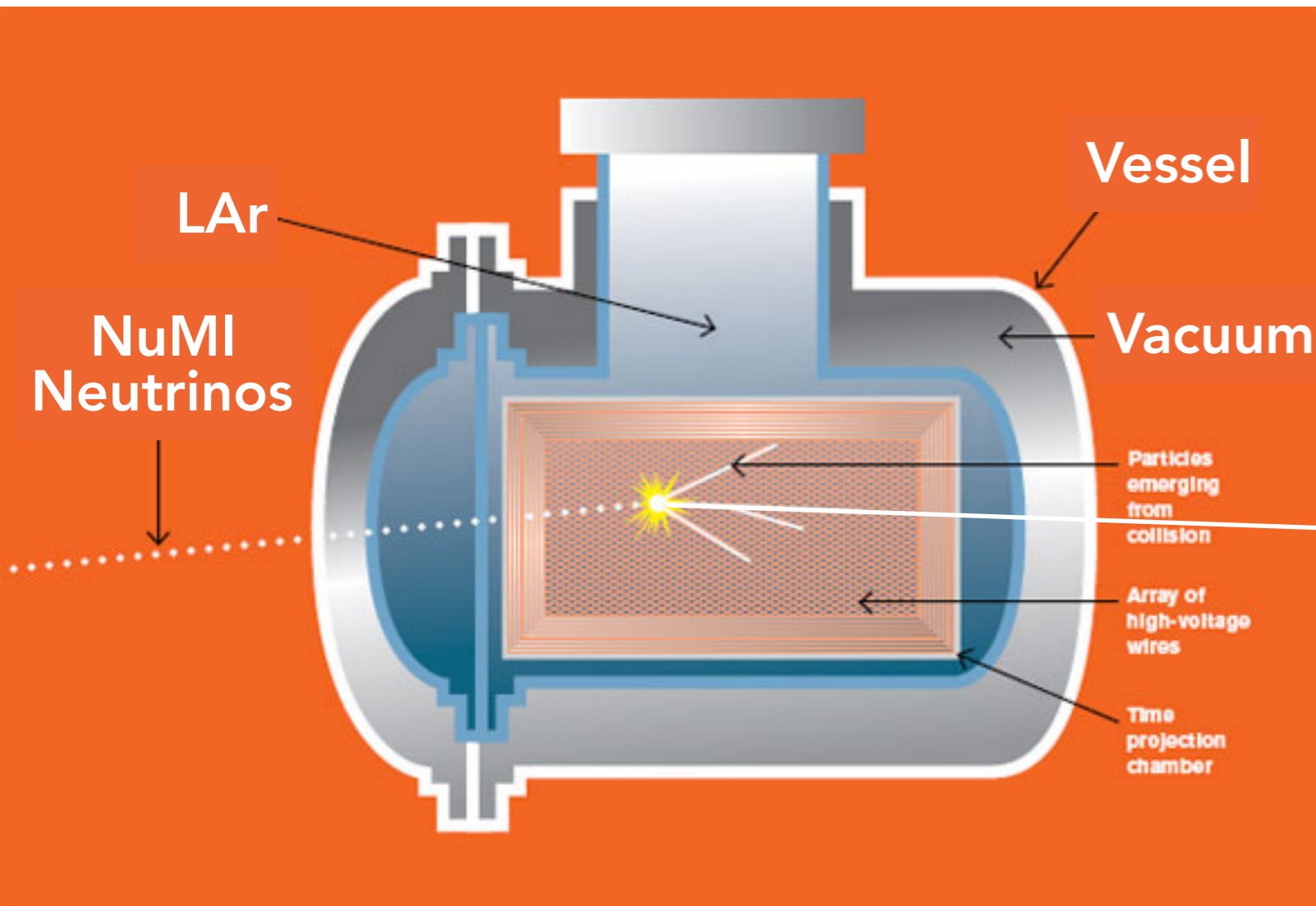
The ArgoNeuT Experiment

ArgoNeuT



The ArgoNeuT Experiment

The Detector

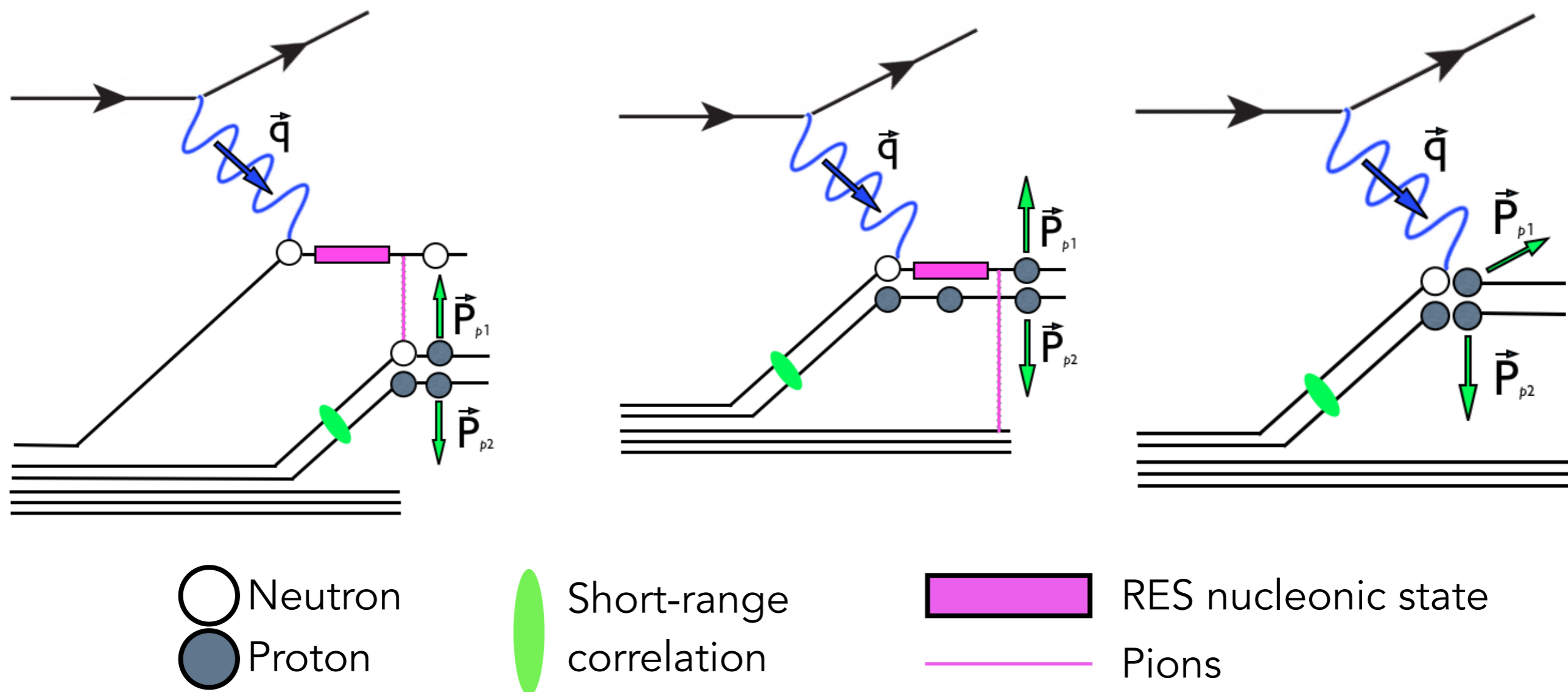


<http://www.symmetrymagazine.org/article/august-2008/bonnie-and-the-argoneuts>

The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Back-to-back protons

Phys. Rev. D90, 012008 (2014)



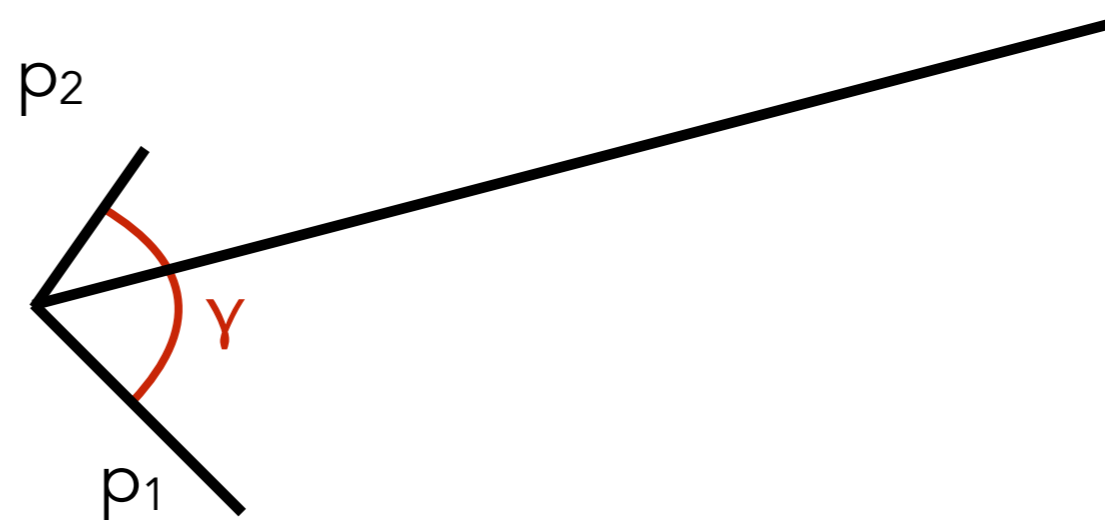
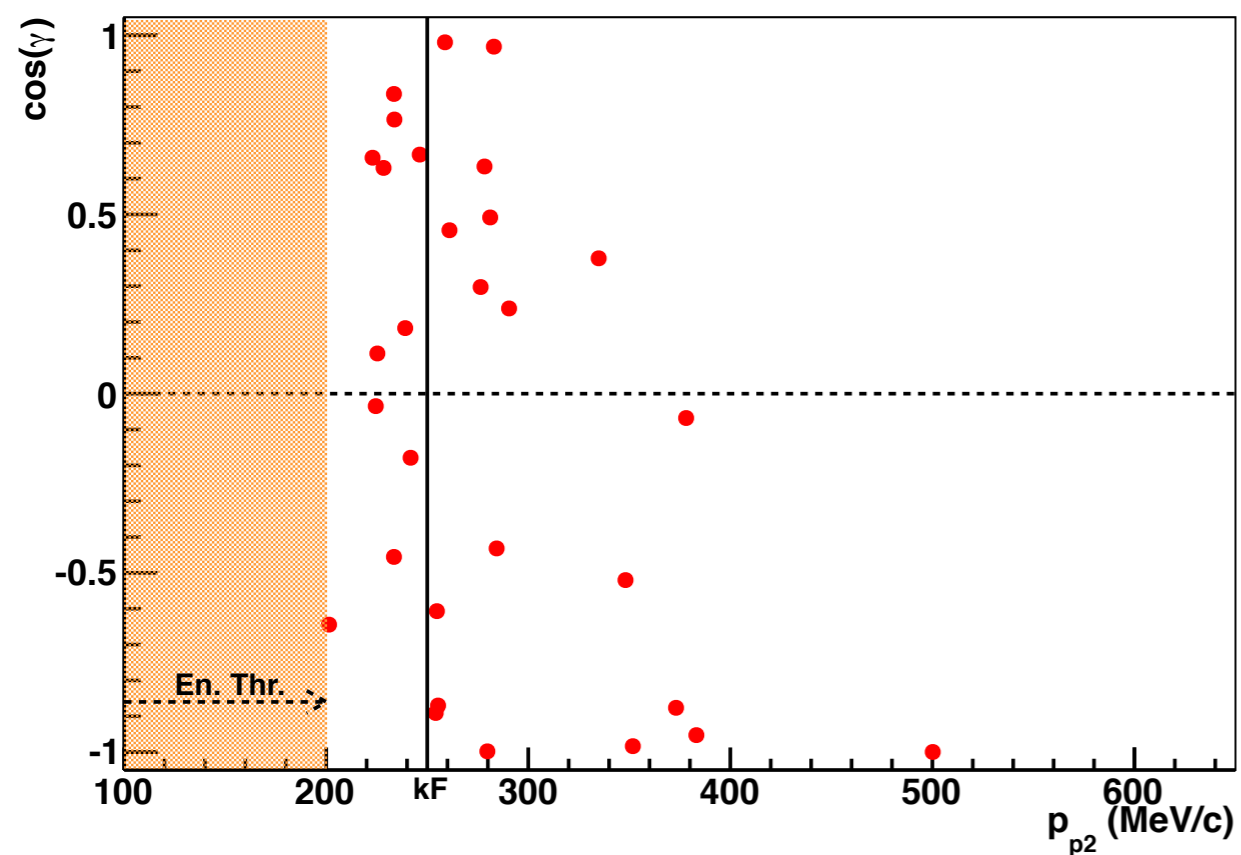
ArgoNeuT investigated other processes other than two-nucleon currents:
short-range nucleon-nucleon correlations (NN SRC)

The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Back-to-back protons

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Selection: ν_μ CCO π with 2 protons in the final state

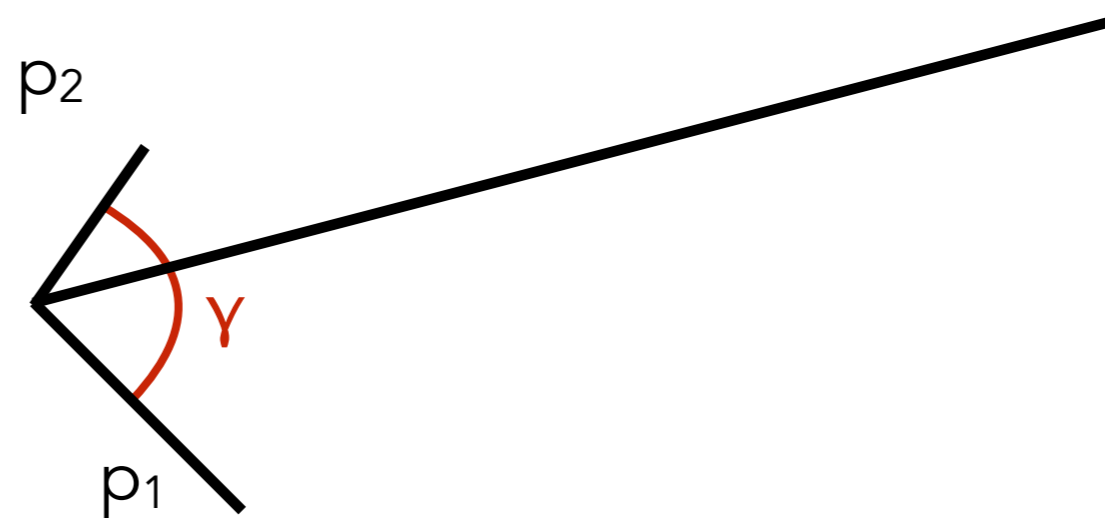
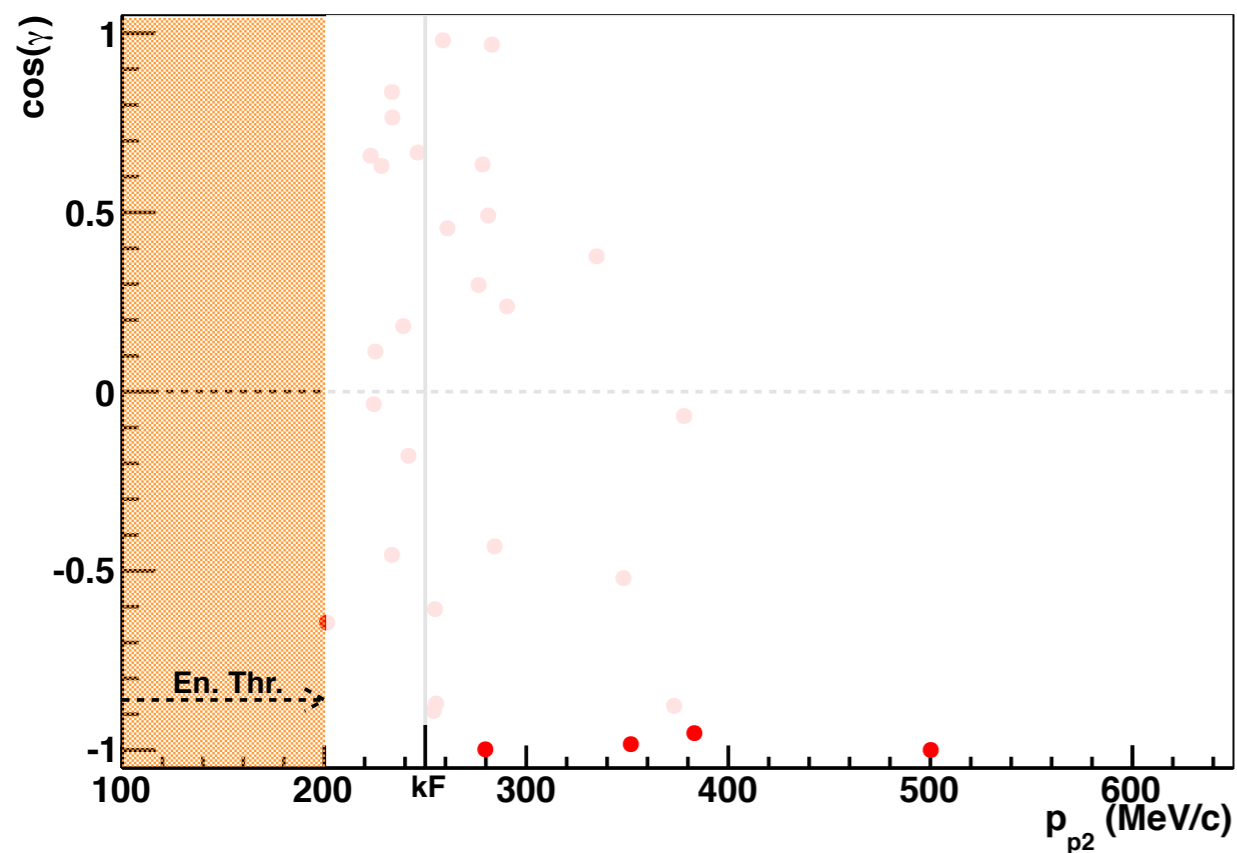


The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Back-to-back protons

Phys. Rev. D90, 012008 (2014)

Selection: ν_μ CC0 π with **2 protons** in the final state



30 fully reconstructed events

19 have protons above Fermi momentum of Ar

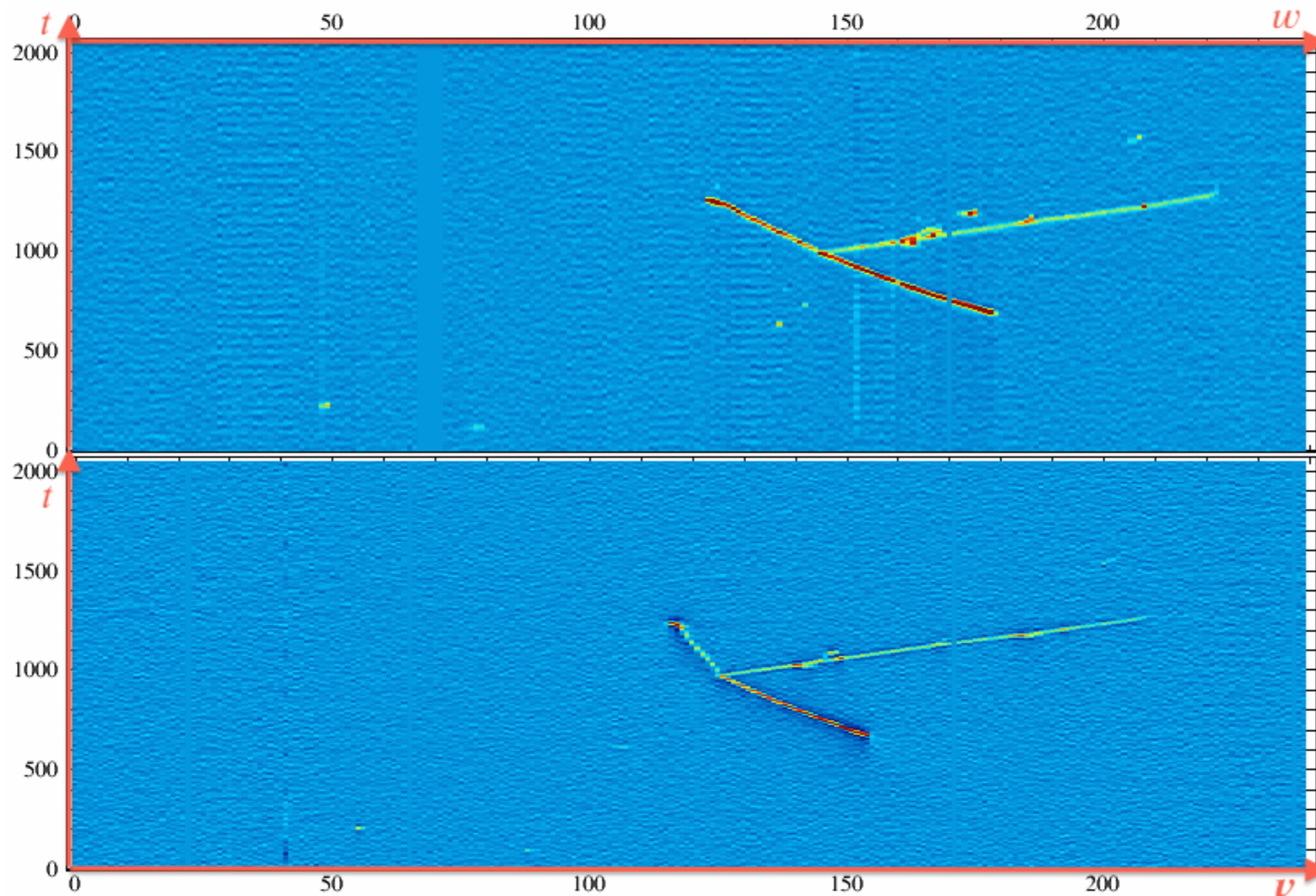
4 events have back-to-back protons

The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Back-to-back protons

Phys. Rev. D90, 012008 (2014)

A candidate back-to-back proton pairs

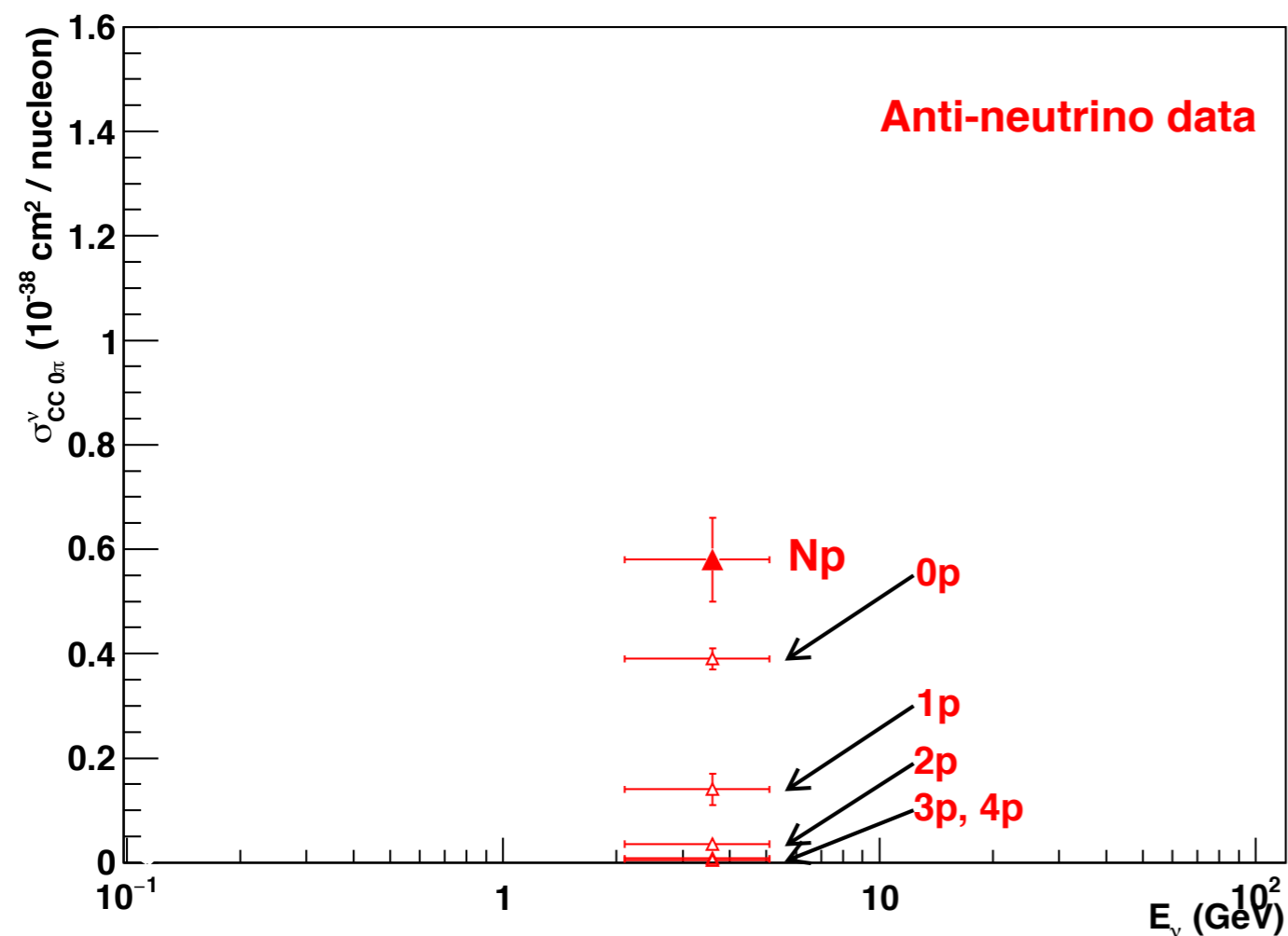


The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Proton multiplicity

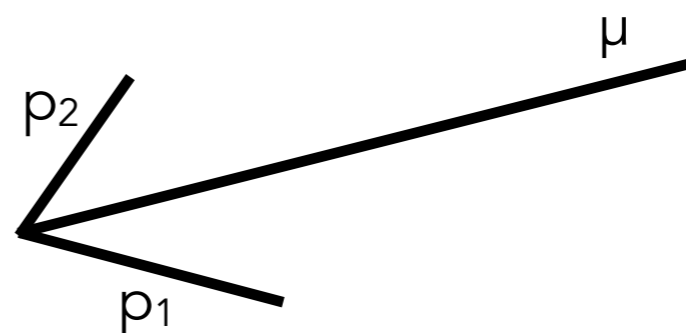
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ArgoNeuT performed an exclusive (anti-) ν_μ CC0 π cross section measurement

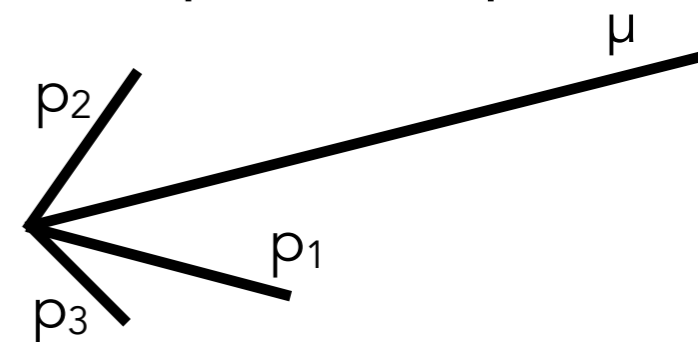


They looked at the number of protons coming out from the interaction

Example with 2 protons



Example with 3 protons

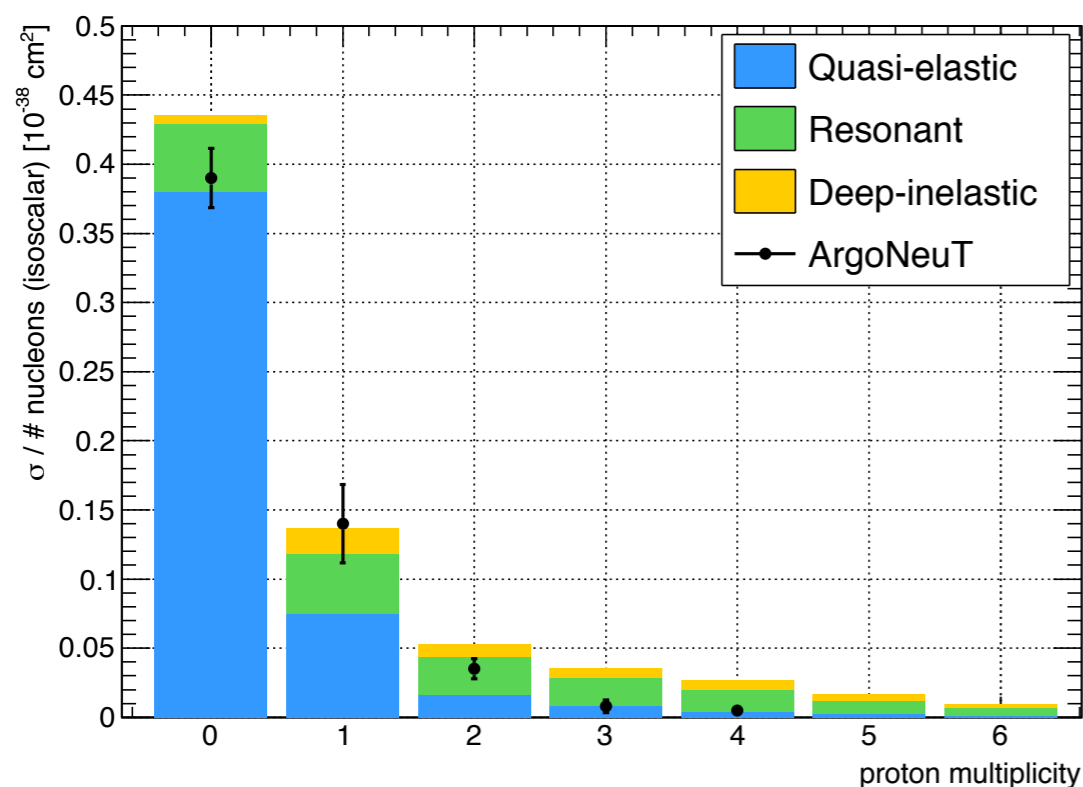


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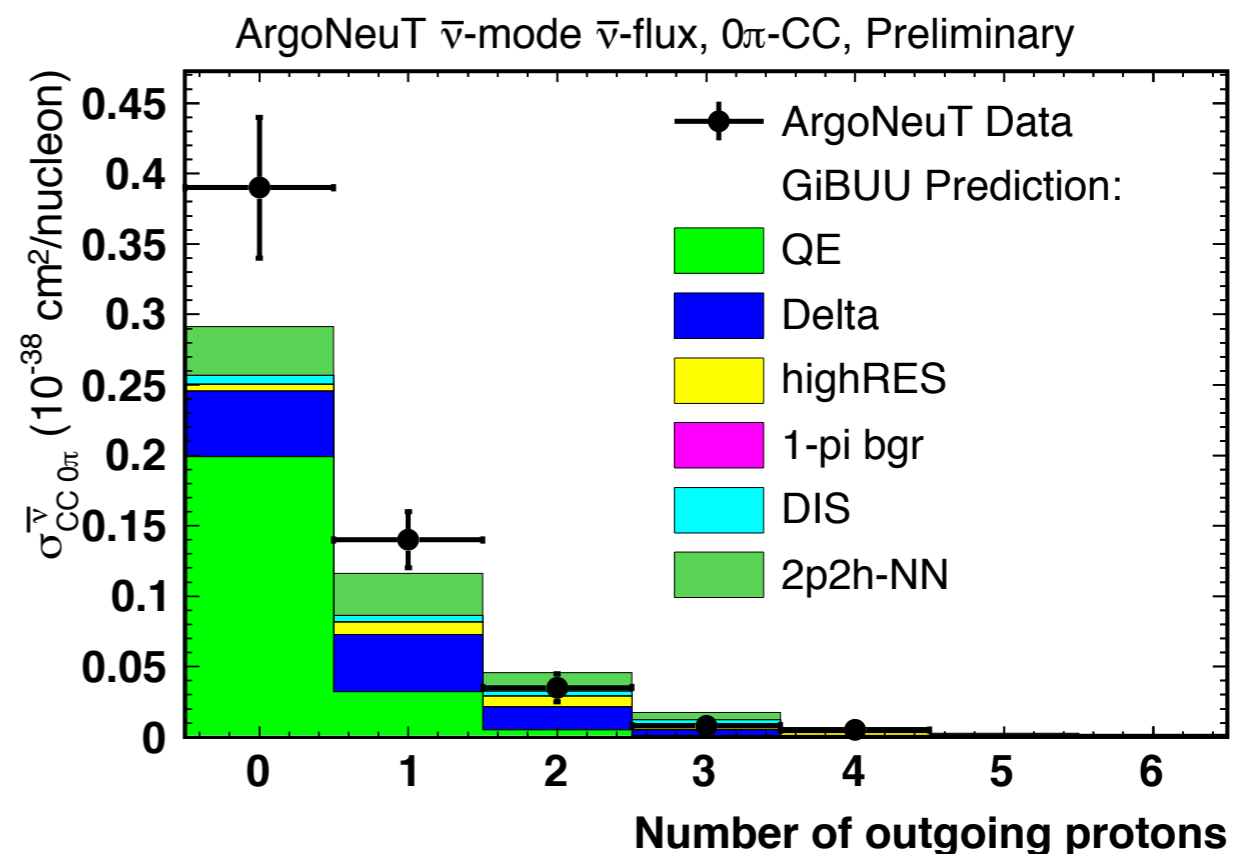
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Anti- ν_μ CC0 π cross section measurement



GENIE prediction is 22% higher than ArgoNeuT data



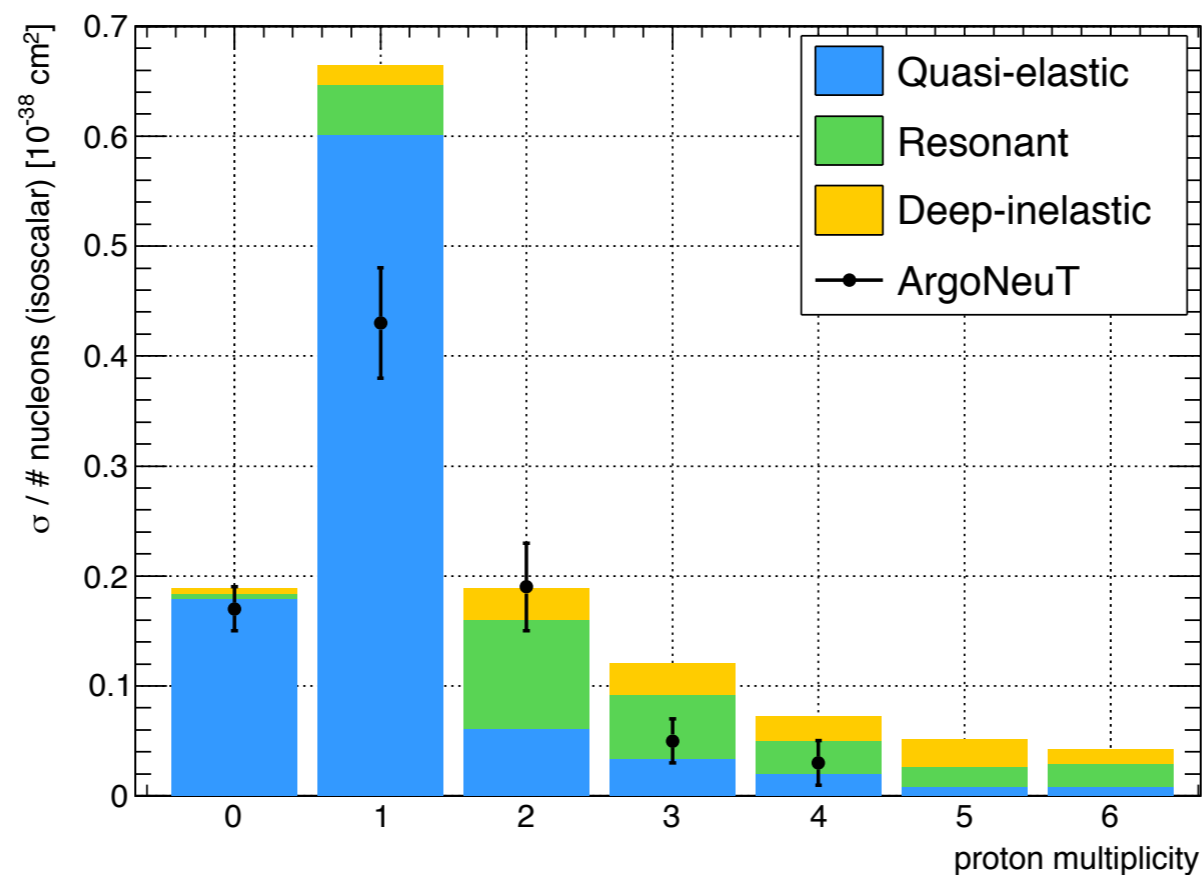
GiBUU prediction is 17% lower than ArgoNeuT data

The ArgoNeuT Experiment

Results - Proton multiplicity

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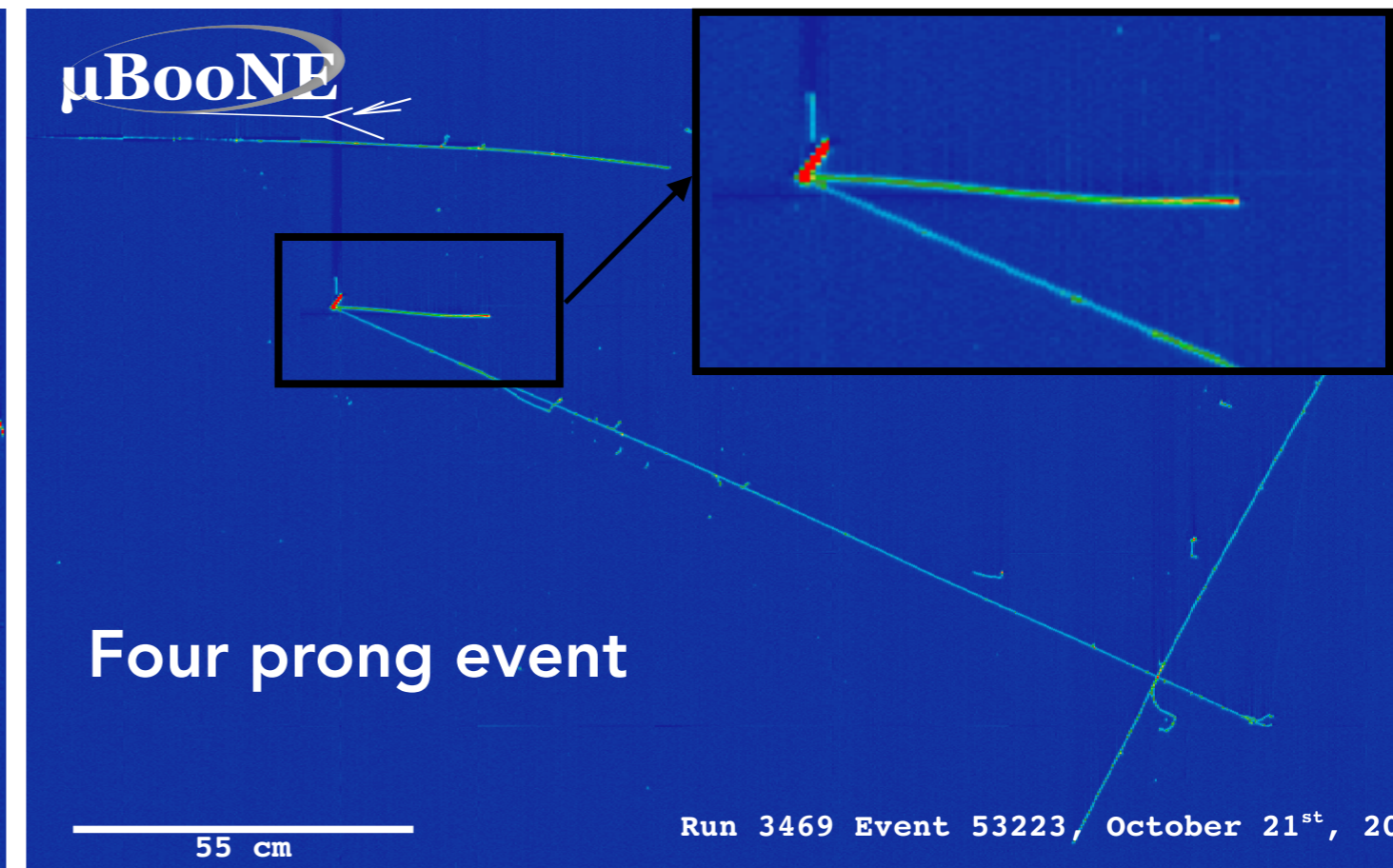
ν_{μ} CC0 π cross section measurement



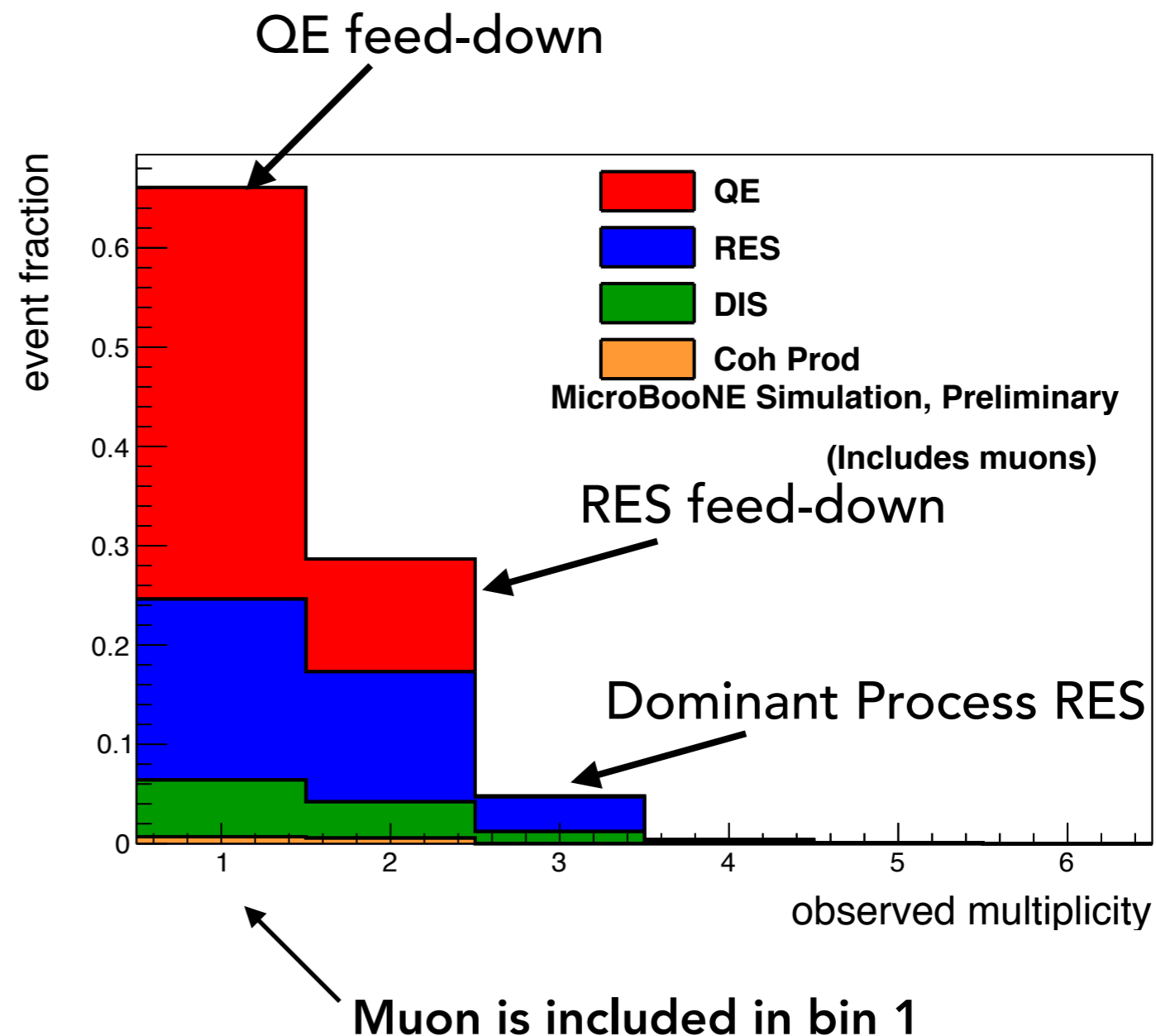
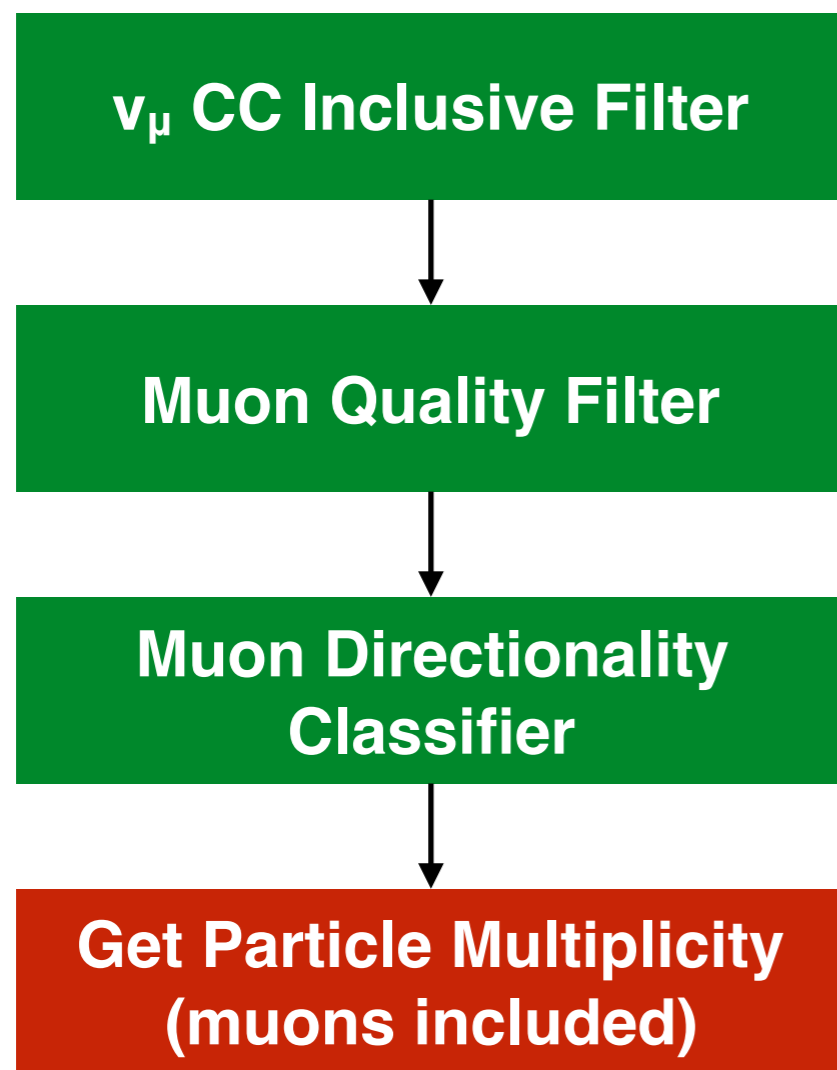
GENIE prediction is 64% higher
than ArgoNeuT data

MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Particle multiplicity



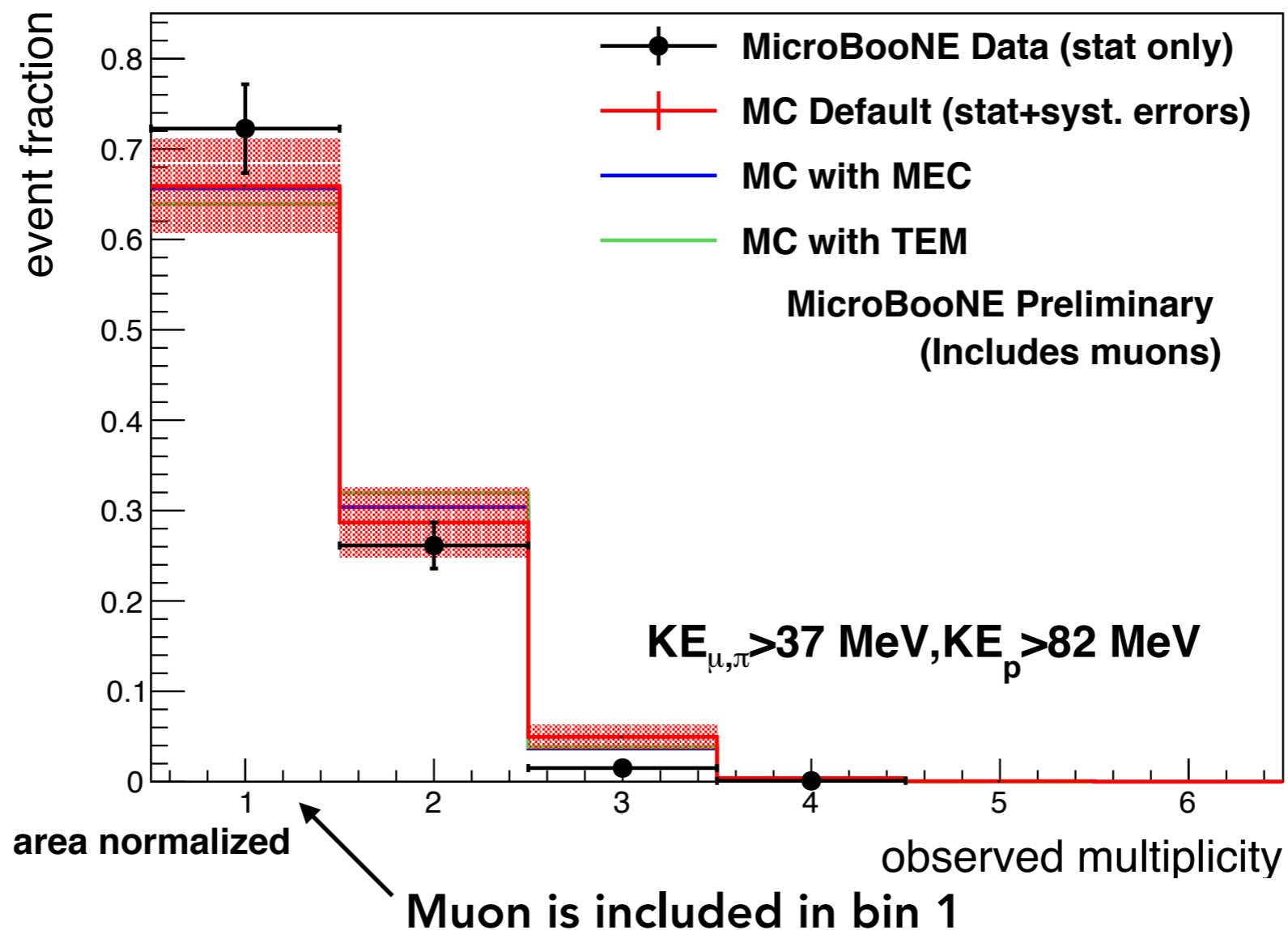
MicroBooNE Current Efforts



MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Particle multiplicity

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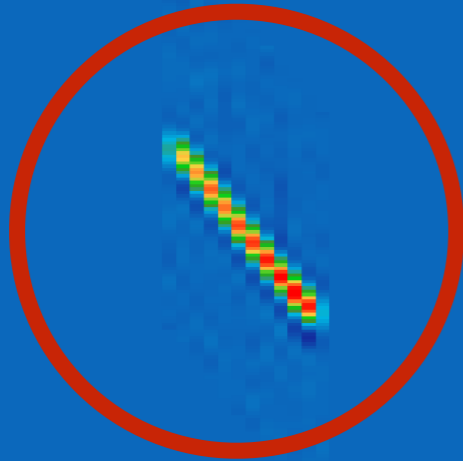
Observed multiplicity after event selection, no efficiency correction

Future: improve statistics and lower threshold per particle type

Neutral Current

Charged Current

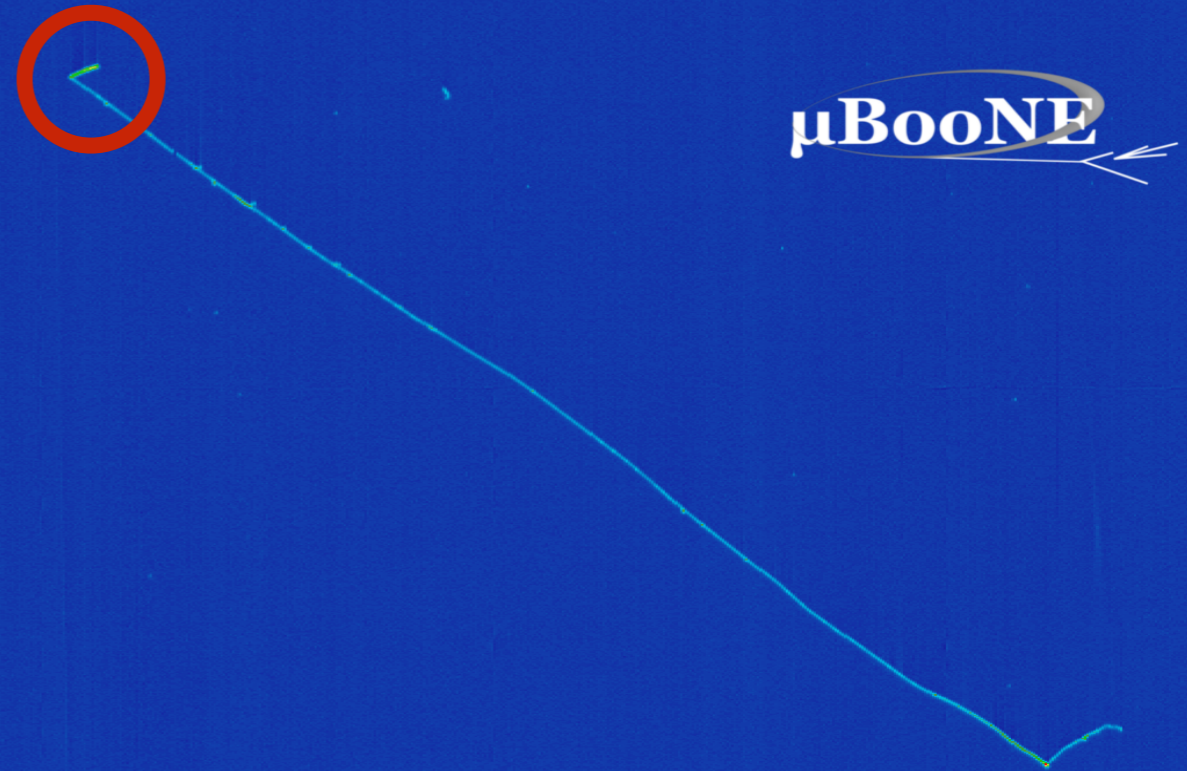
μ BooNE



3 cm

Run 5937 Event 1478. April 16th 2016

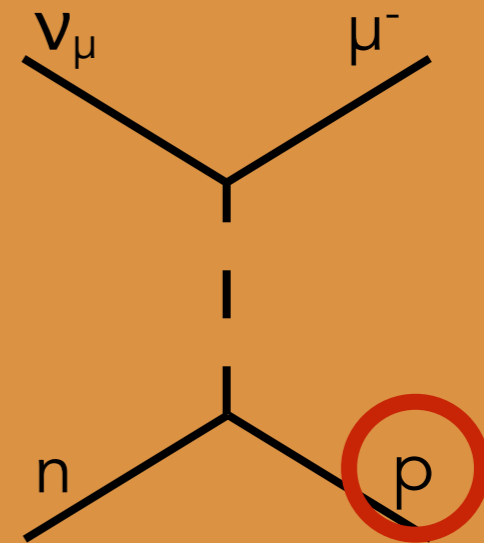
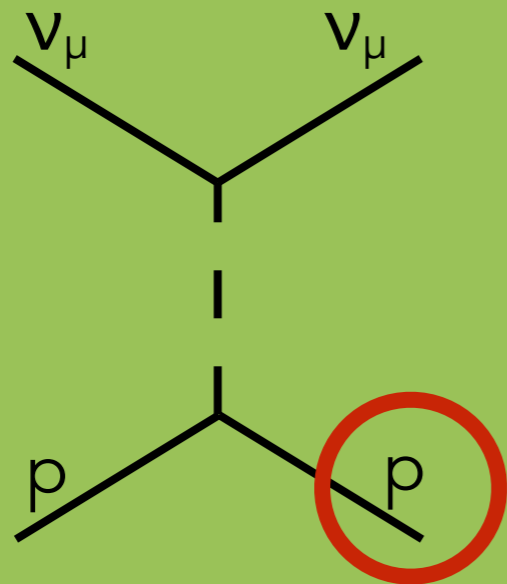
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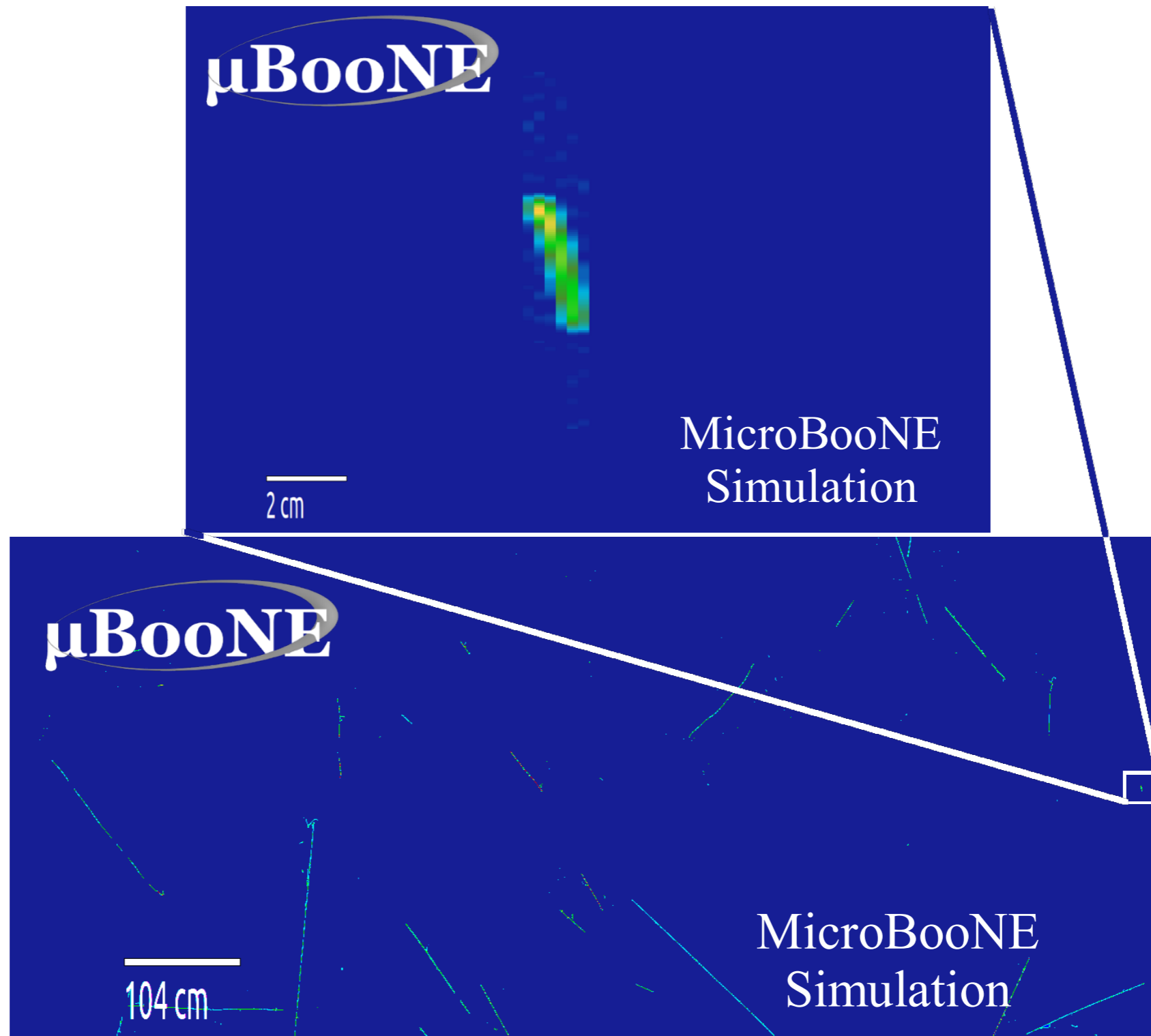
18 cm

Run 5326 Event 900, March 6th, 2016

Now Focusing on Proton Identification



MicroBooNE Current Efforts



MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Proton Identification

- ▶ We are able to detect protons that traverse as few as five wires (1.5 cm)
- ▶ We expect 10,000 NC elastic proton events during MicroBooNE's three year run
- ▶ Makes up ~5% of neutrino interactions in MicroBooNE

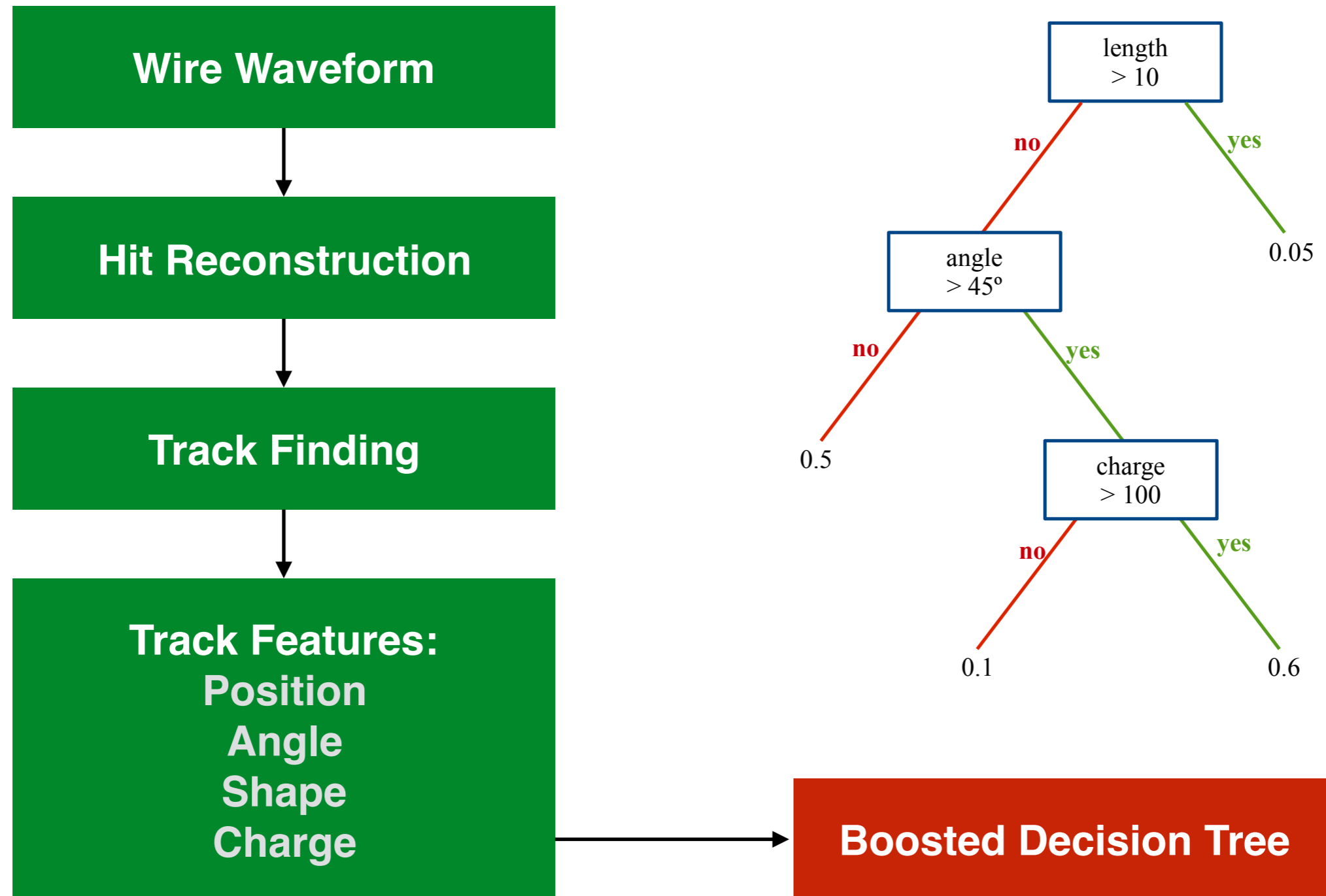
Large cosmic background:

- Need automated reconstruction and selection!
- **Hasn't been done before in a LArTPC!**

MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Proton Identification

K. Woodruff,
ACAT2017

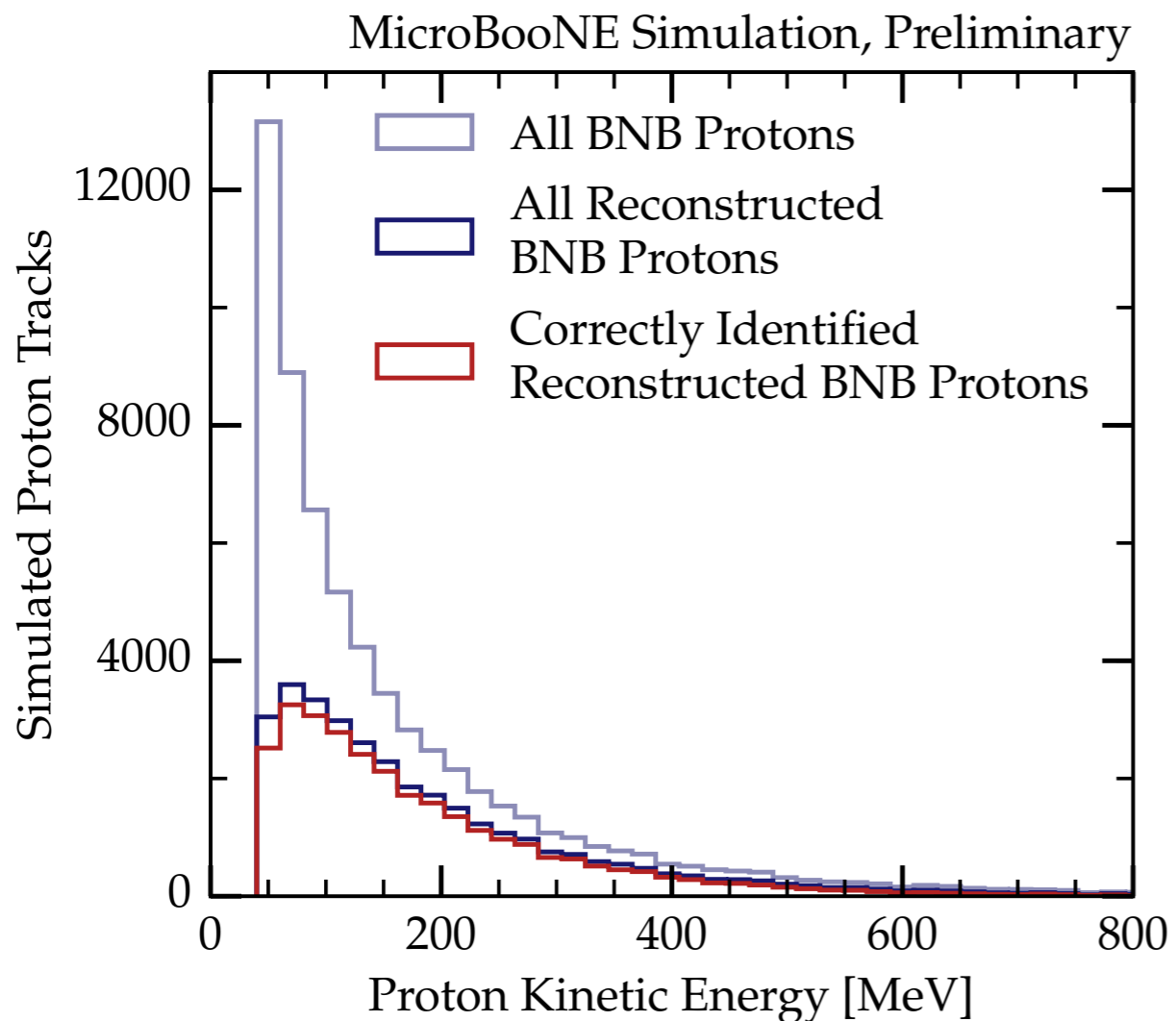


MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Proton Identification

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Showing the number of simulated neutrino-induced ("BNB") protons **generated**, **reconstructed**, and **classified correctly**

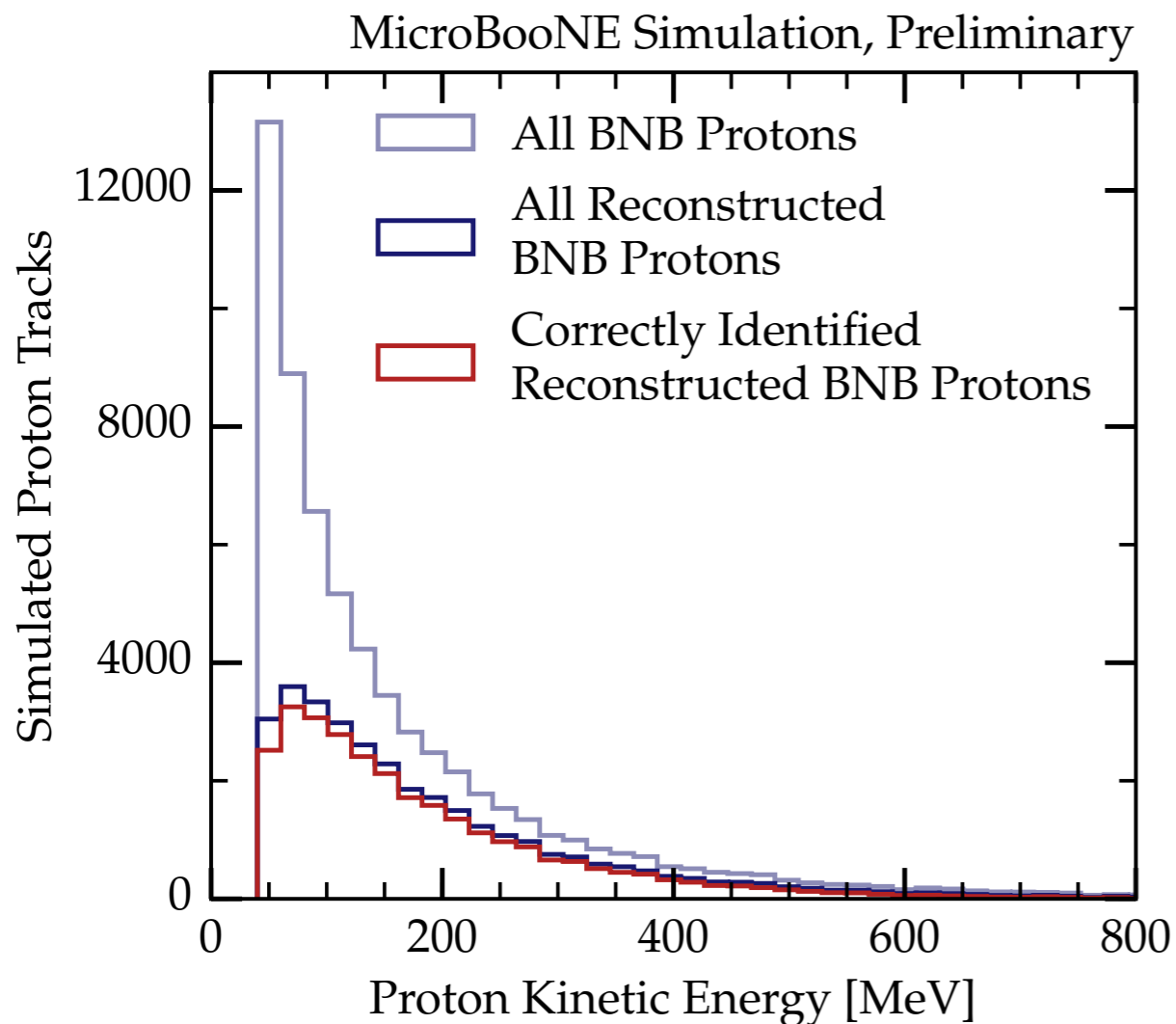


MicroBooNE Current Efforts

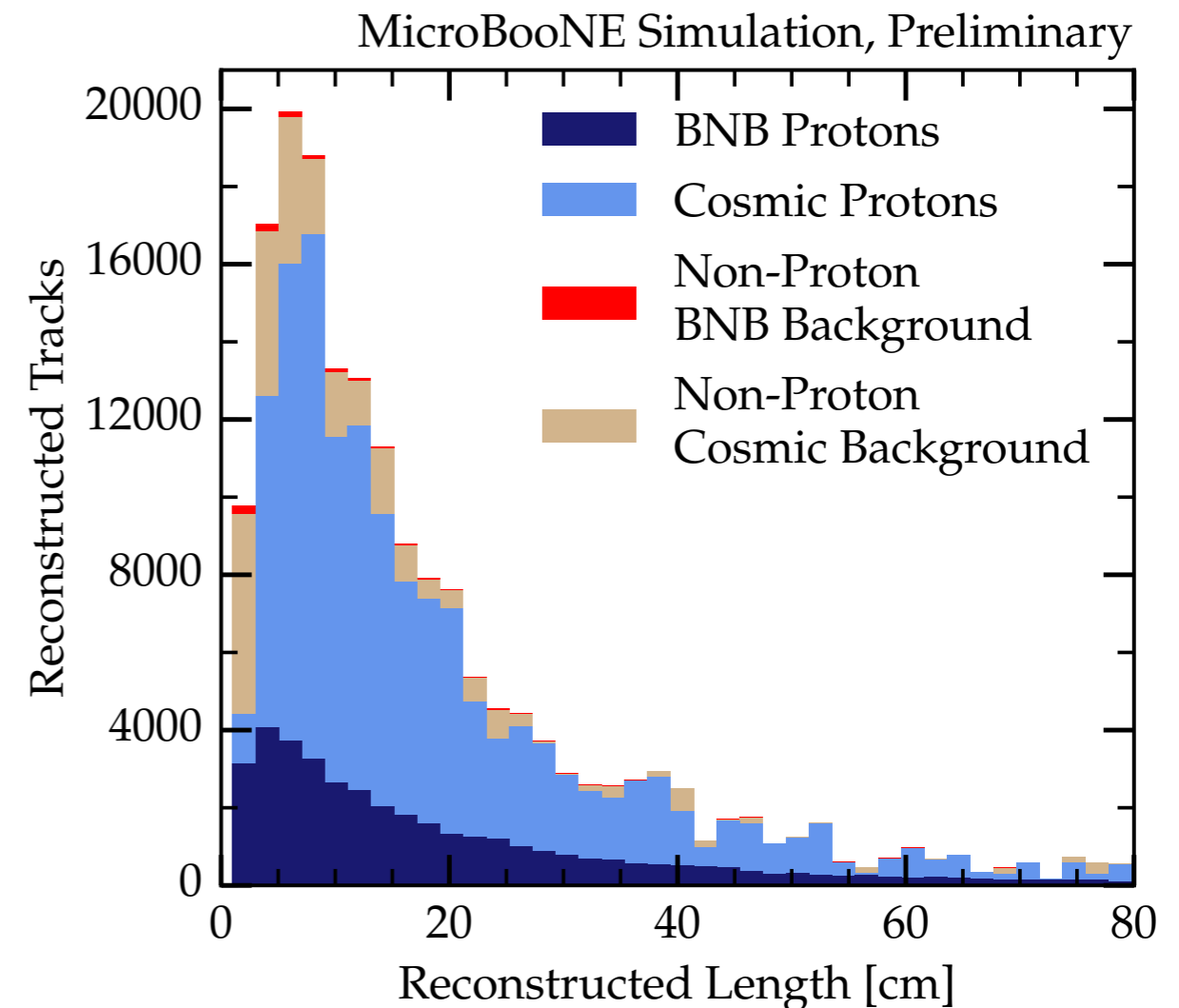
Proton Identification

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Showing the number of simulated neutrino-induced ("BNB") protons **generated**, **reconstructed**, and **classified correctly**



Showing the different simulated track types classified as protons



MicroBooNE Current Efforts

Proton Identification

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NC Candidate

CC Candidate

μ BooNE

μ BooNE

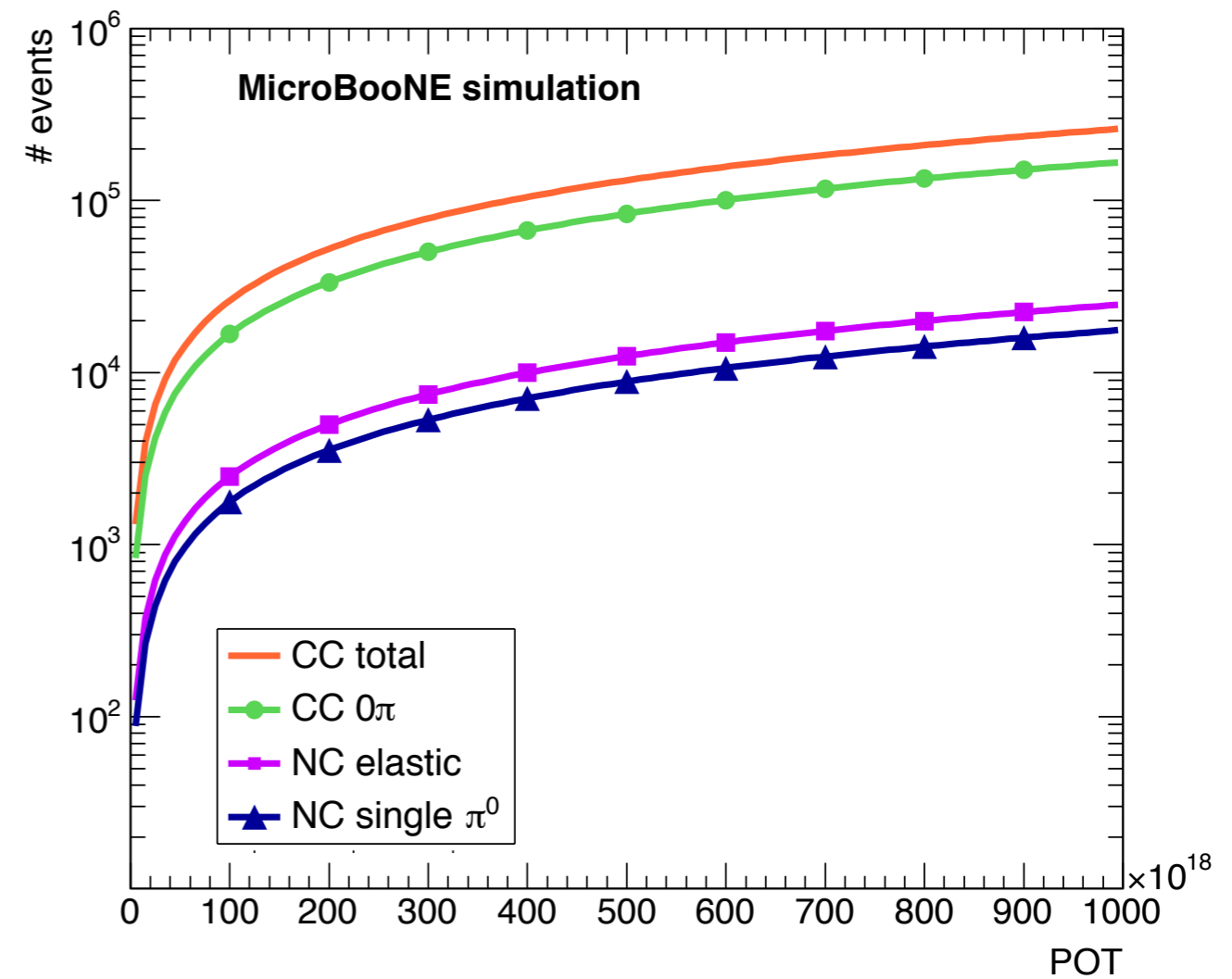
3 cm

Run 5937 Event 1478. April 16th 2016

7 cm

Run 5832 Event 2210. April 8th 2016

MicroBooNE in the Future

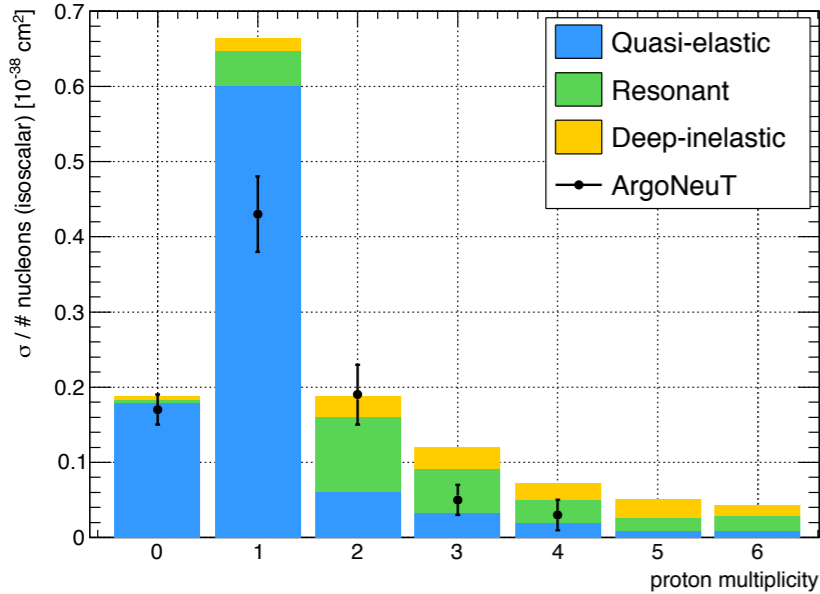


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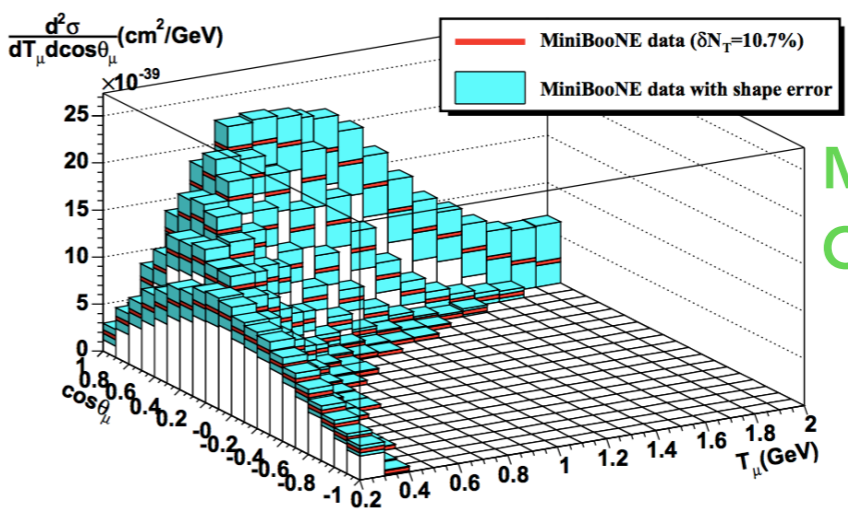
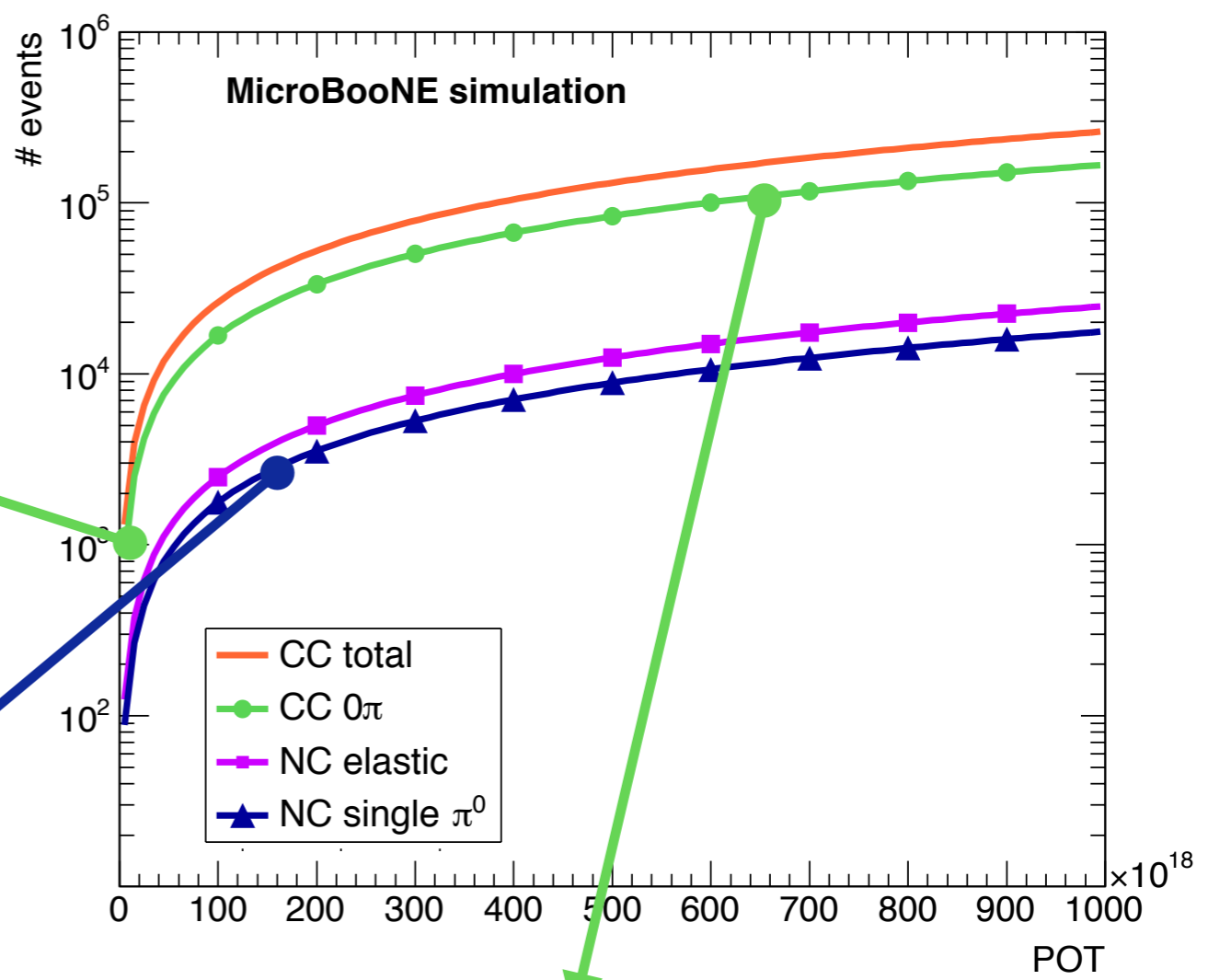
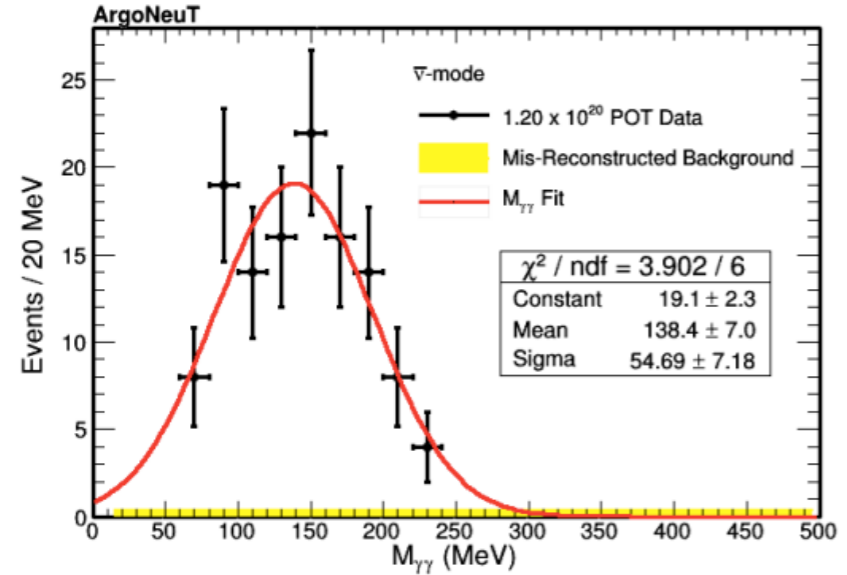
ArgoNeuT

Proton Multiplicity



ArgoNeuT

π⁰ Mass Peak



MiniBooNE

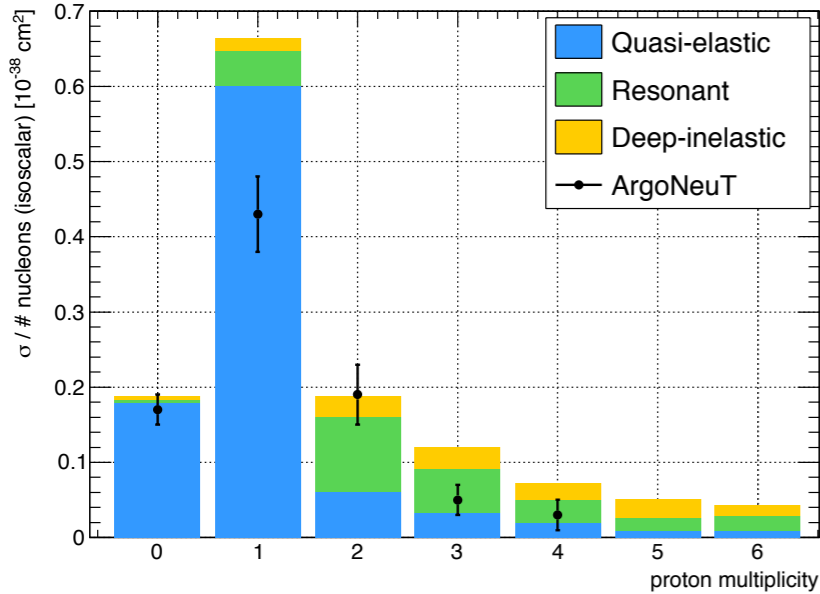
CCQE Cross Section

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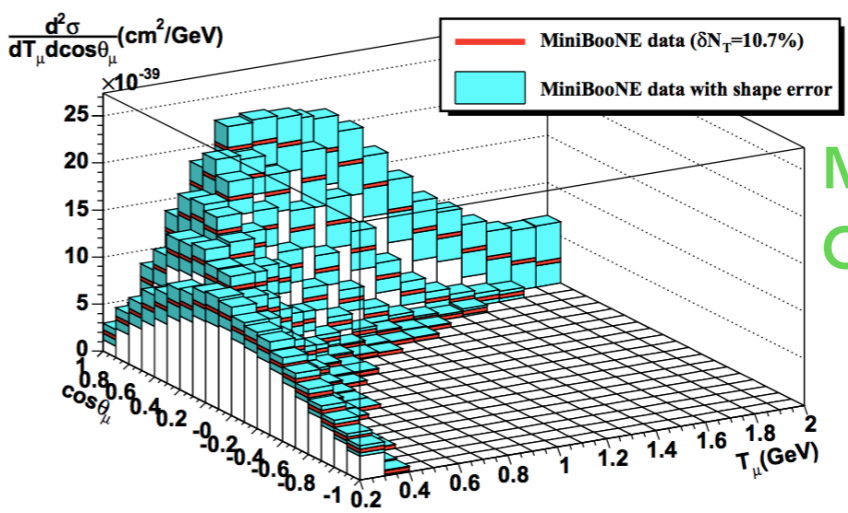
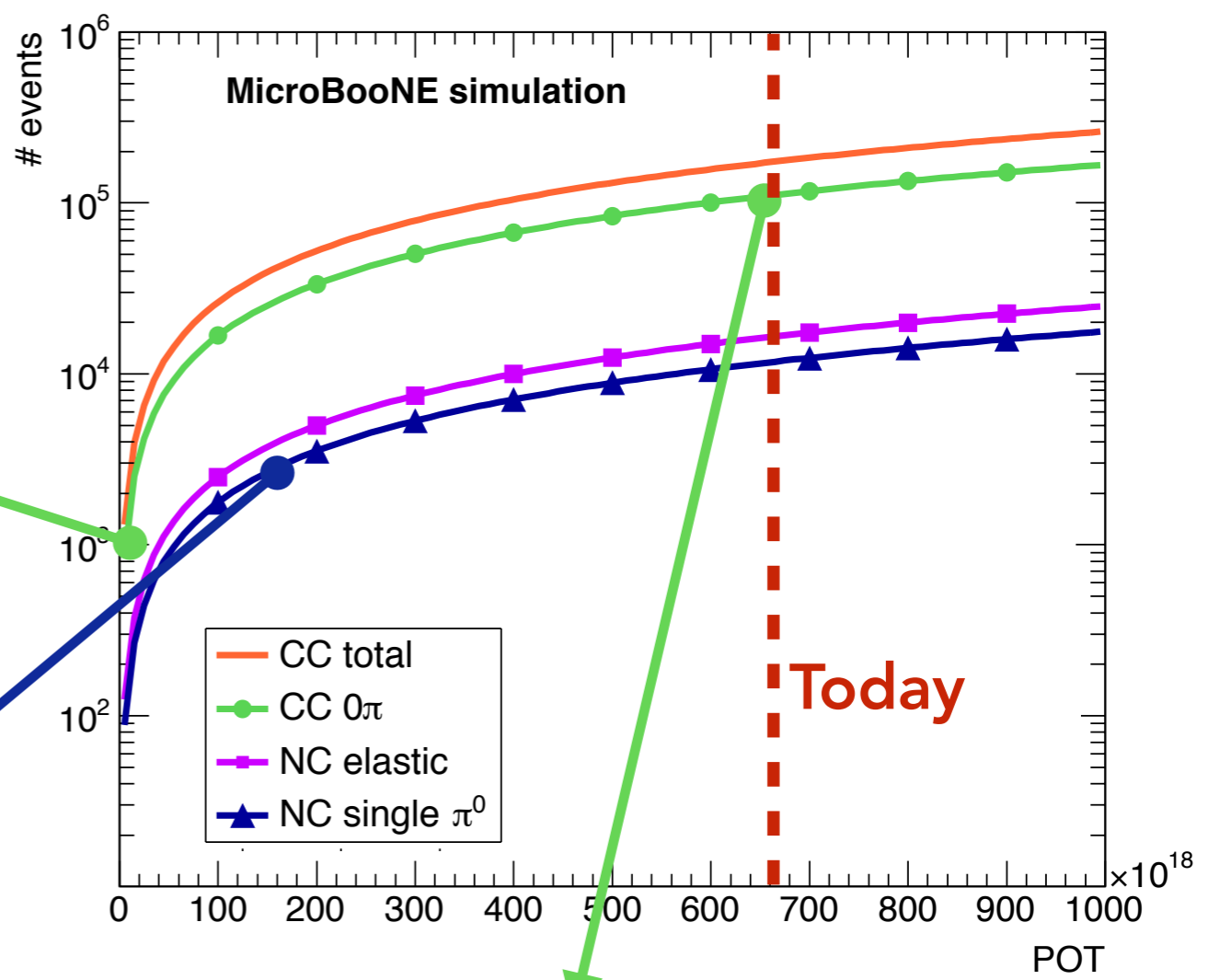
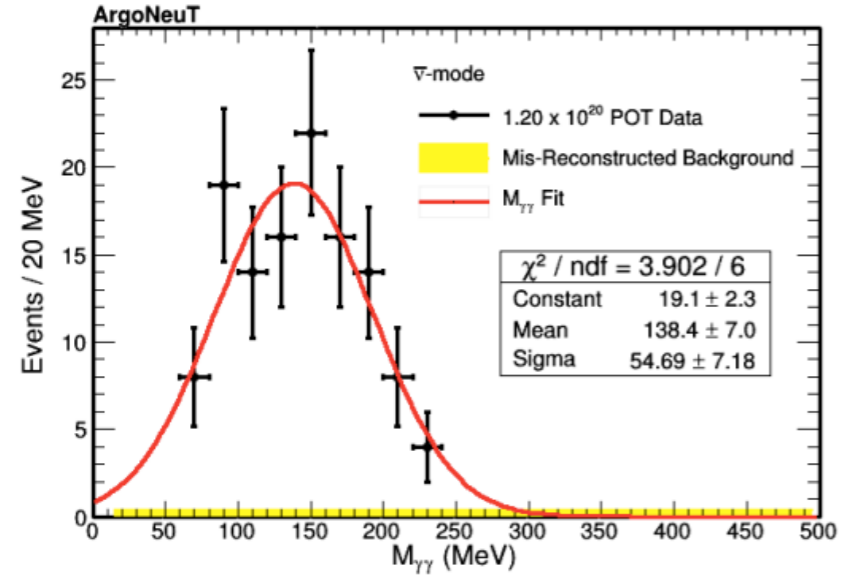
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ArgoNeuT

Proton Multiplicity



ArgoNeuT π^0 Mass Peak

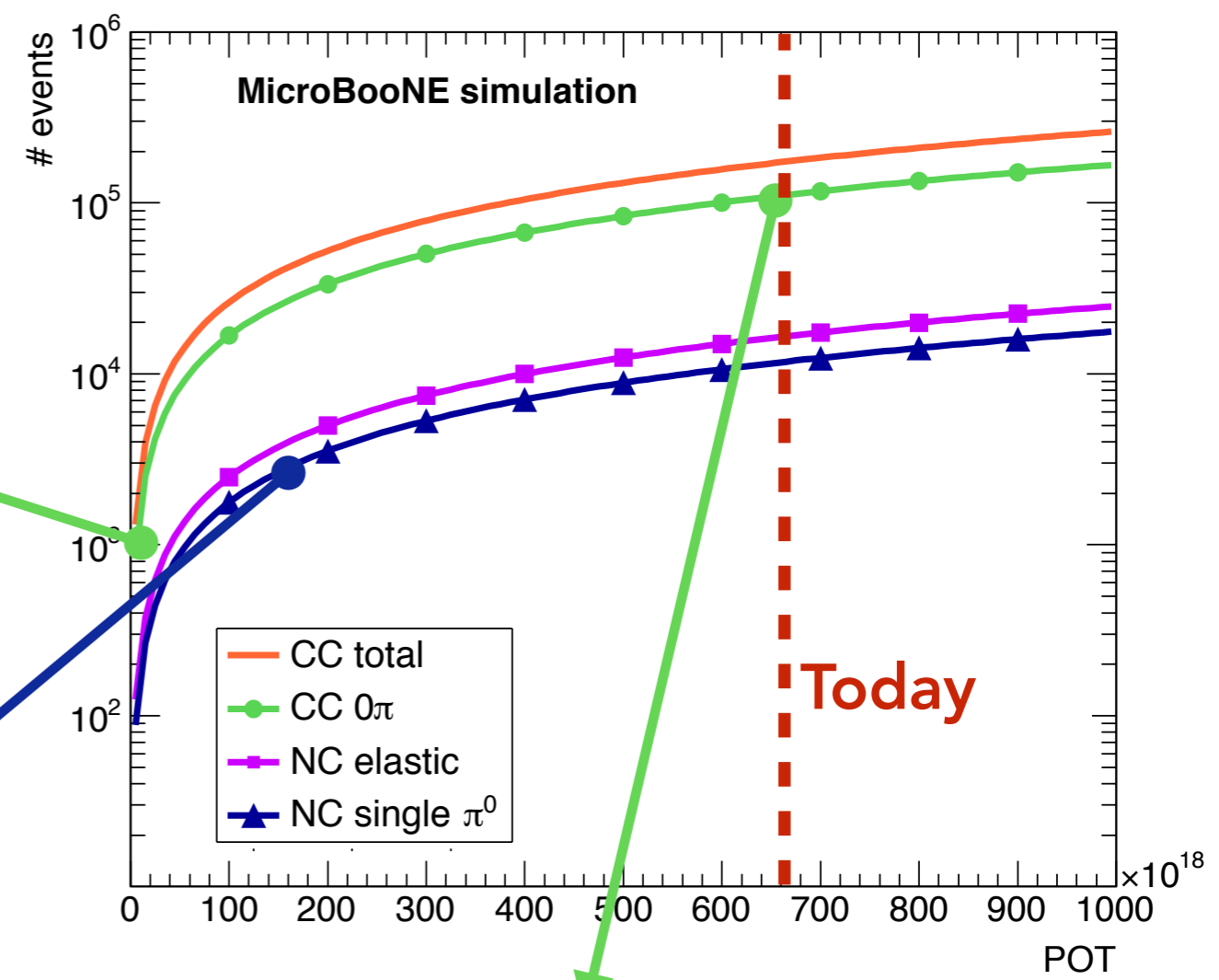
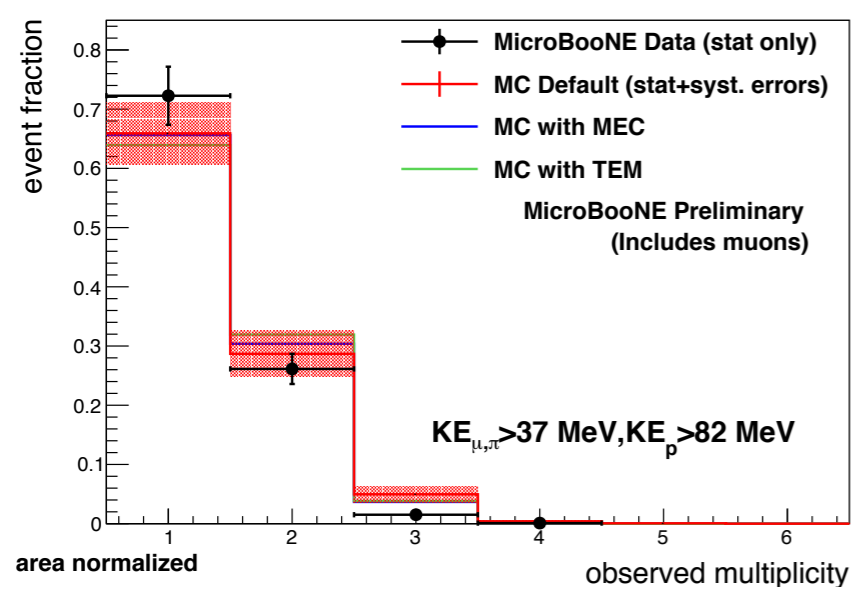


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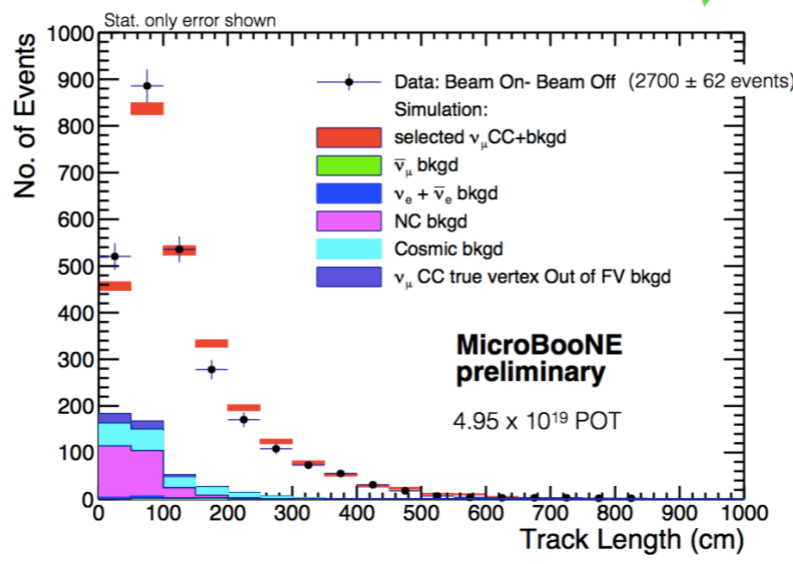
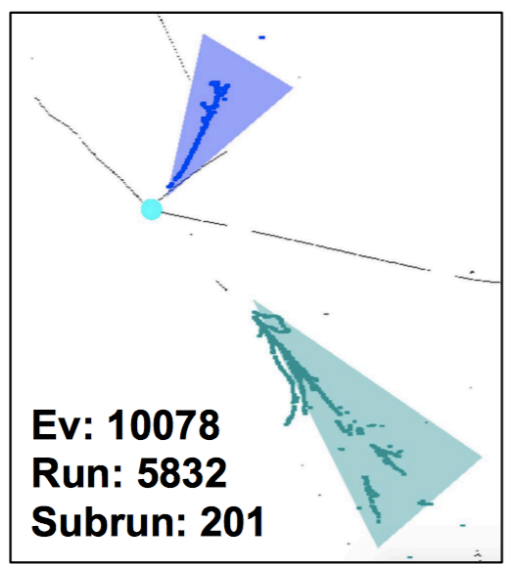
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MicroBooNE in the Future

MicroBooNE Particle Multiplicity



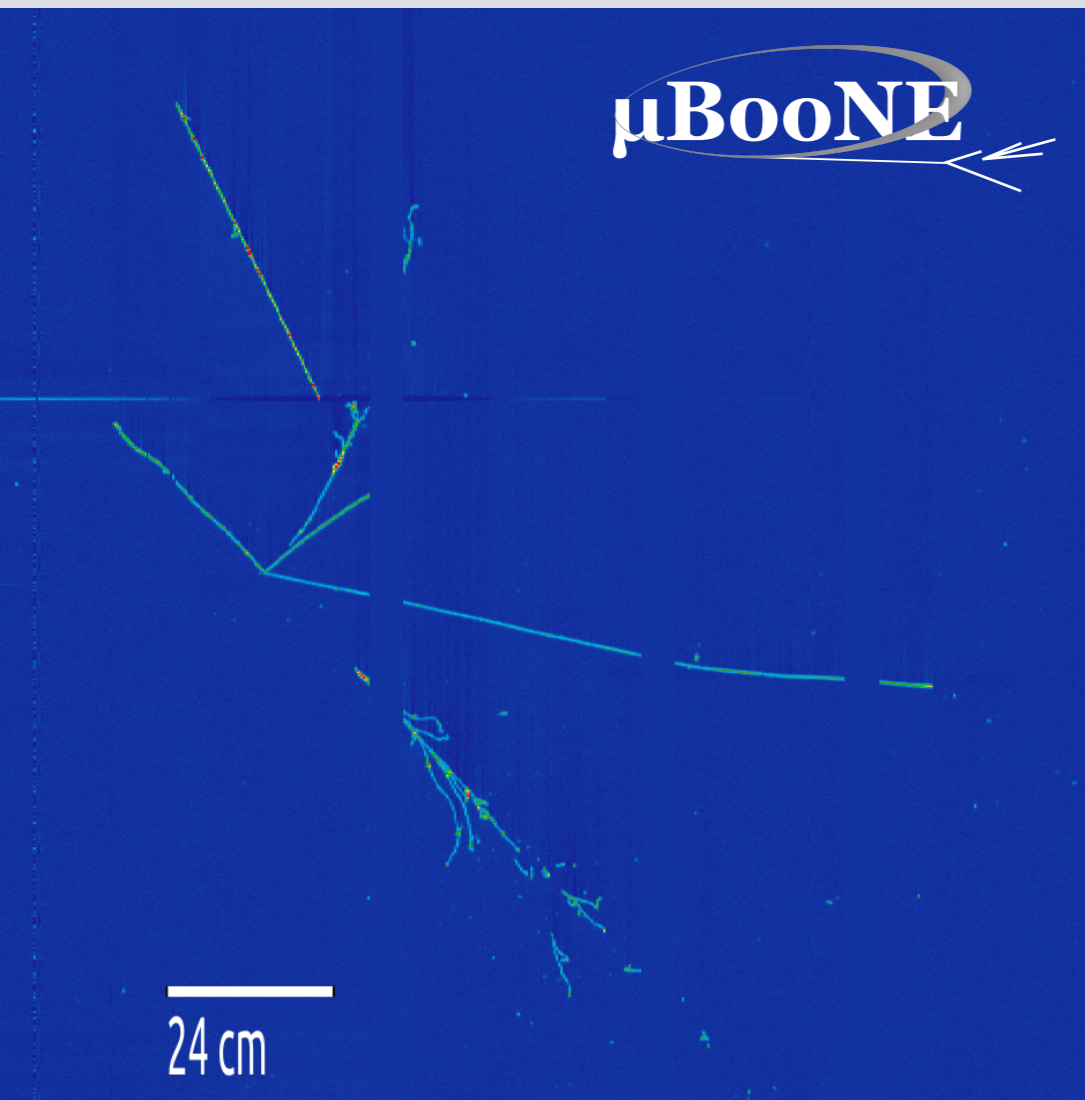
MicroBooNE Towards a π^0 Mass Peak



MicroBooNE Event Distribution towards a Cross Section Measurement

MicroBooNE Current Efforts

CC π^0 Channel



Use CC Muon filter to select CC + π^0 events

- ▶ Enables data-based electromagnetic shower reconstruction.
- ▶ Characterise background for electron neutrino search.
- ▶ π^0 energy reconstruction is excellent validation of detector calibration.
- ▶ Pion production is an interesting cross section measurement for LArTPCs.

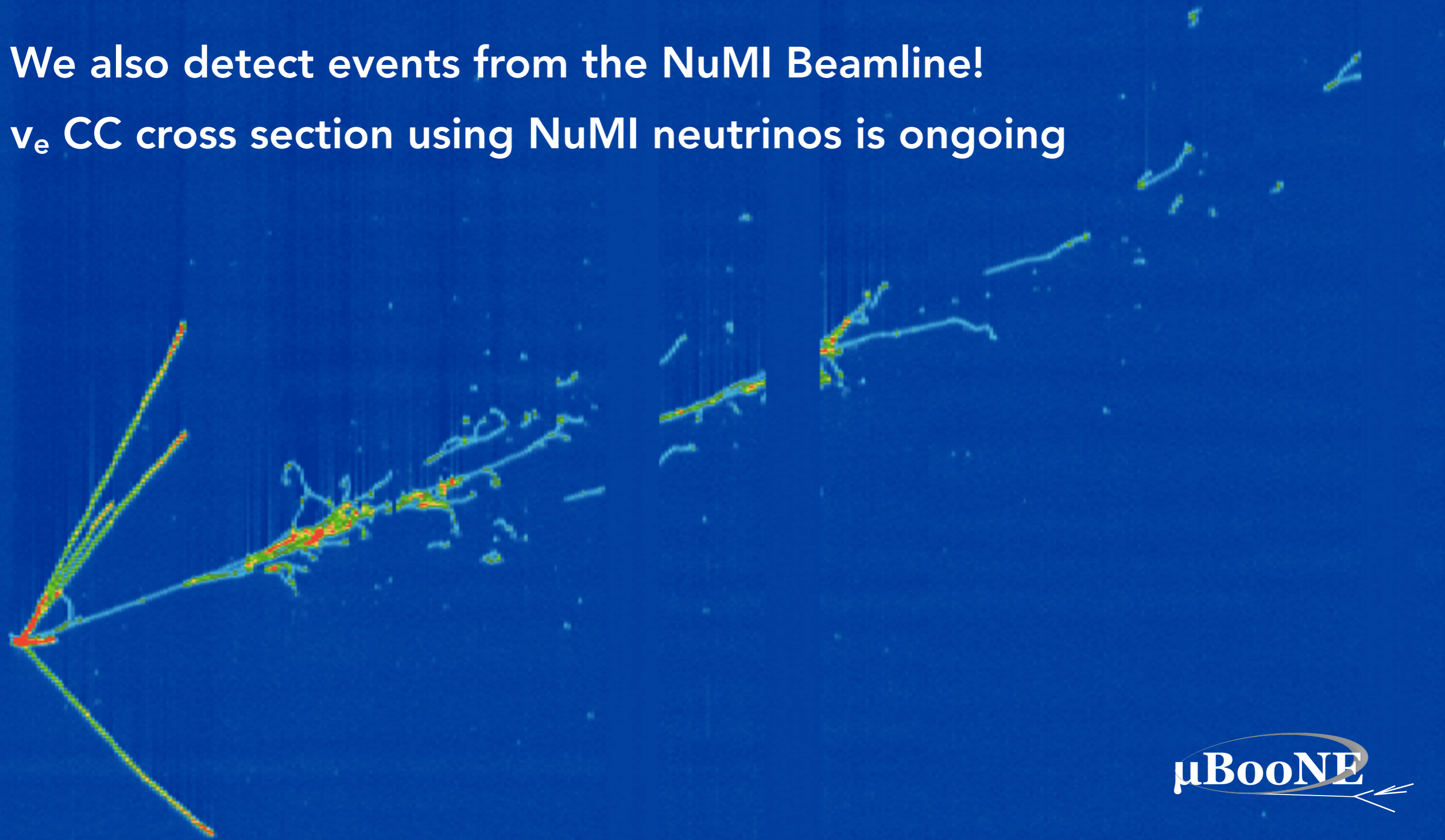
Very challenging analysis - electromagnetic shower reconstruction is hard due to the difficulty of automatic clustering and pattern recognition.

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MicroBooNE Current Efforts

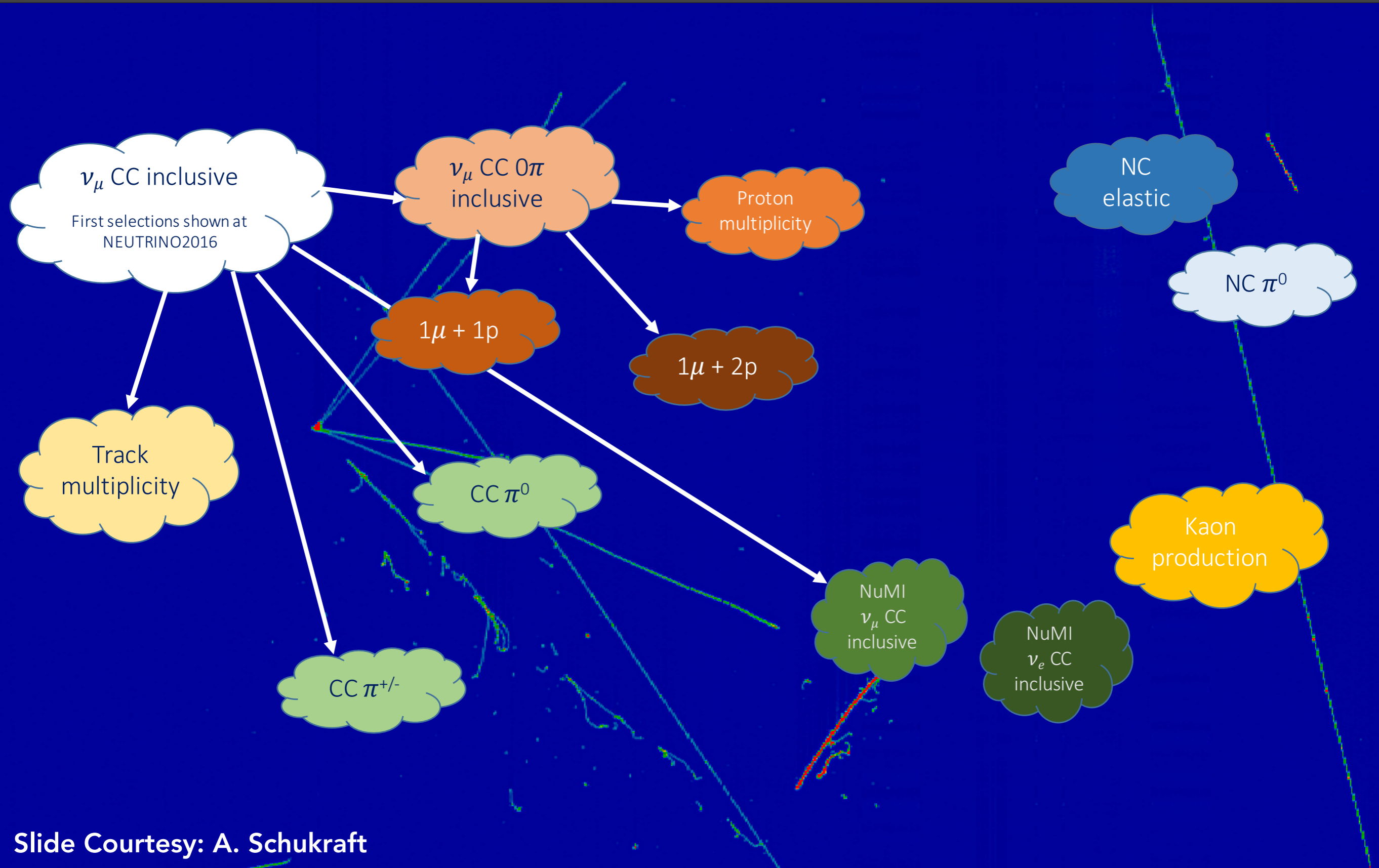
We also detect events from the NuMI Beamline!

ν_e CC cross section using NuMI neutrinos is ongoing



NuMI DATA: RUN 10811, EVENT 2549, APRIL 9, 2017

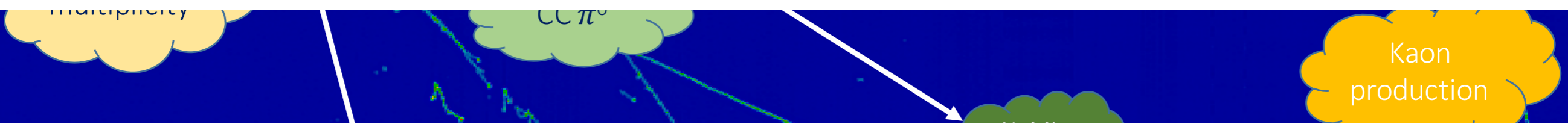
Next Plans for Cross Section Measurements



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Next Plans for Cross Section Measurements

- ▶ MicroBooNE has a wide cross section program
- ▶ Many analysis are currently ongoing
- ▶ Stay tuned for future results!



Check out our public notes:

<http://www-microboone.fnal.gov/publications/publicnotes/>

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Back up

CC0π Interactions

Quasi elastic scattering

$$\nu_\mu(k_1) + n(p_1) \rightarrow \mu^-(k_2) + p(p_2)$$

Need to calculate the matrix element:

$$\langle p(p_2) | J_\mu | n(p_1) \rangle = \cos \theta_C \bar{u}(p_2) \Gamma_\mu u(p_1)$$

Using Lorentz-invariant form factors:

$$\Gamma_\mu = \underbrace{\gamma_\mu F_V^1(q^2)} + \underbrace{\frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}\xi F_V^2(q^2)}{2M}} + \cancel{\frac{q_\mu F_V^3(q^2)}{M}} + \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 F_A(q^2) + \underbrace{\frac{q_\mu \gamma_5 F_P(q^2)}{M}} + \cancel{\frac{\gamma_5 (p_1 + p_2)_\mu F_A^3(q^2)}{M}}$$

Violate G parity

Can be related via CVC to electromagnetic form factors

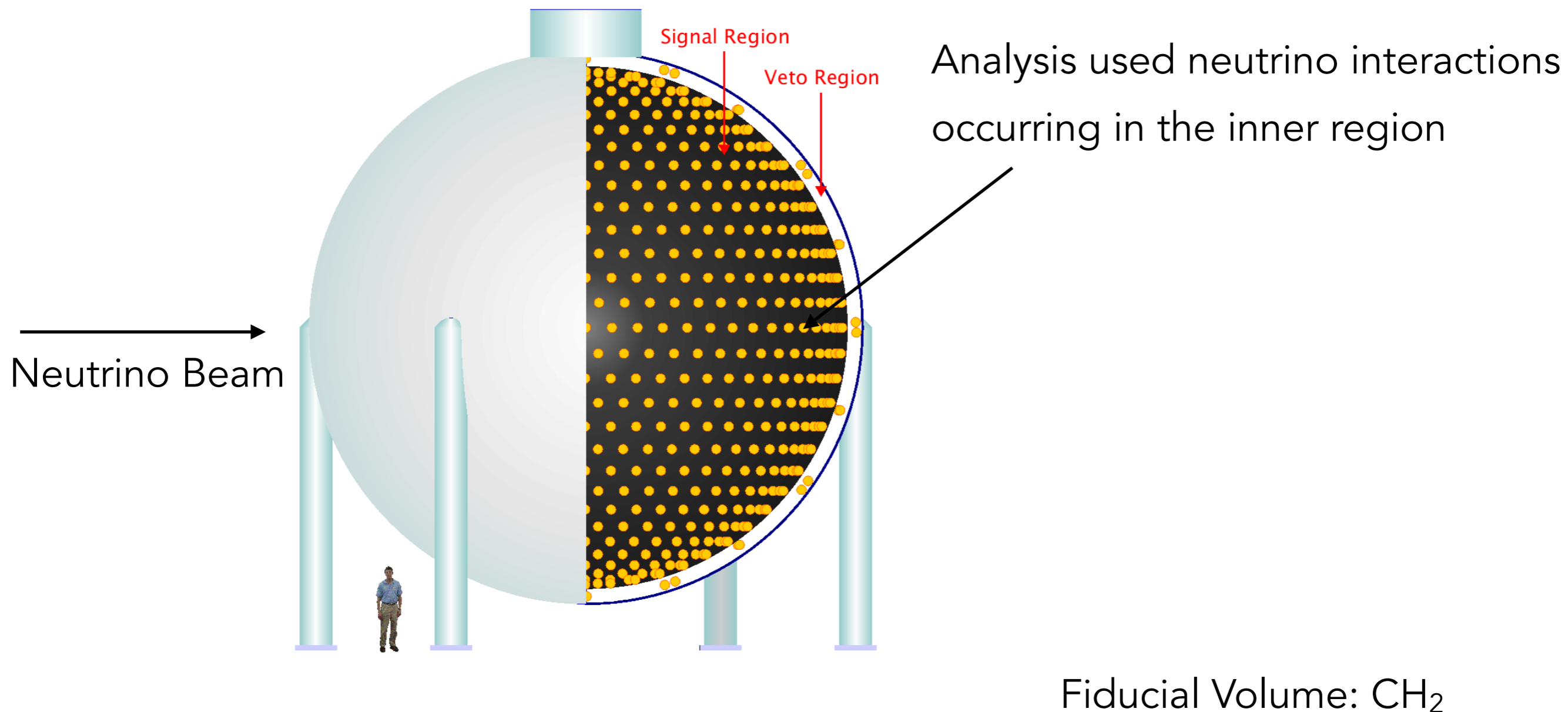
Assumed to have the form suggested by the partially conserved axial current (PCAC) hypothesis

Usually a dipole form is assumed for the axial vector form factor

$$F_A(q^2) = \left[1 - \frac{q^2}{\left(M_A^{CCQE} \right)^2} \right]^{-2}$$

CC0 π - Experimental Results

MiniBooNE Experiment - Detector

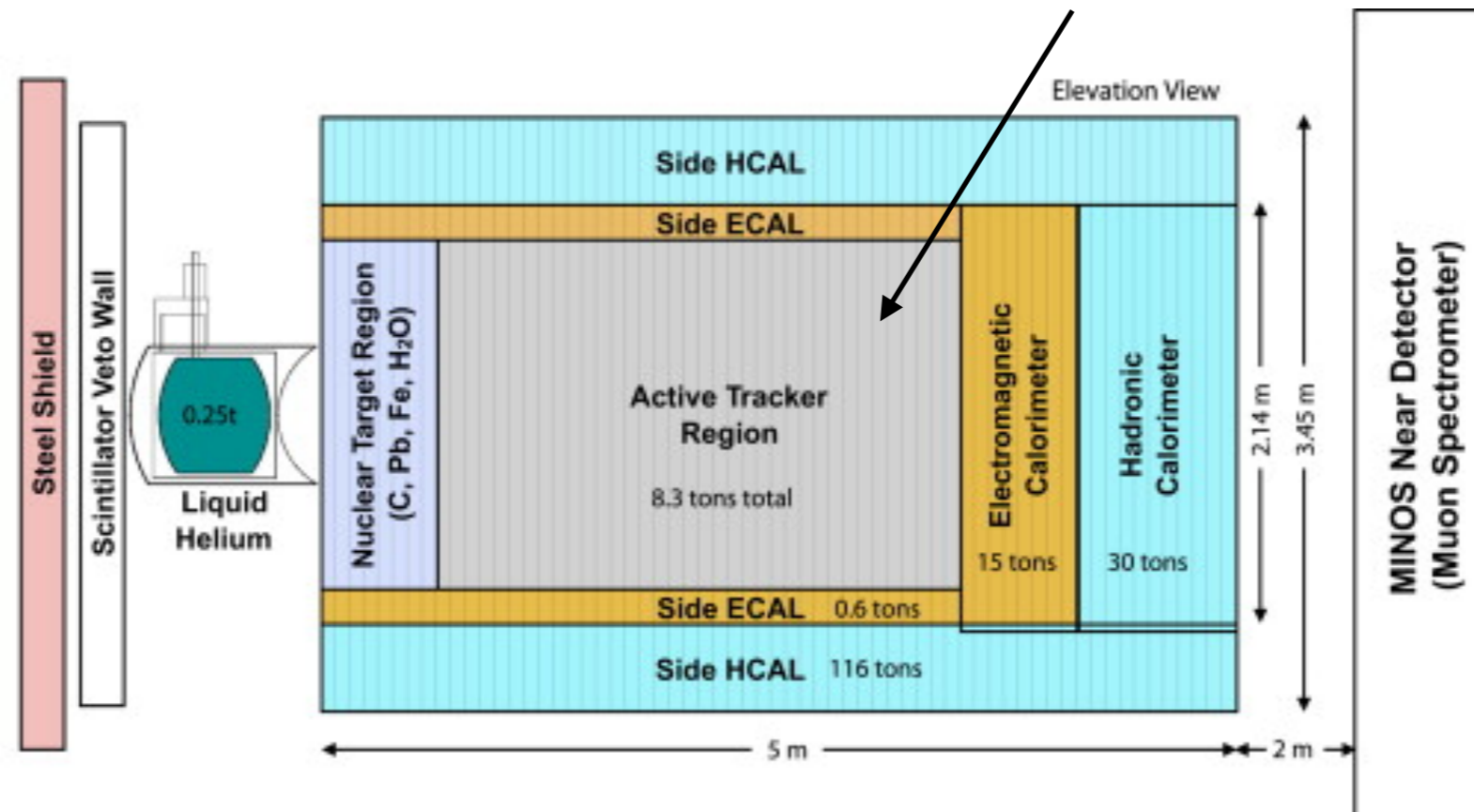


CC0 π - Experimental Results

MINERvA Experiment - Detector

Analysis used neutrino interactions occurring in the tracker

Neutrino Beam



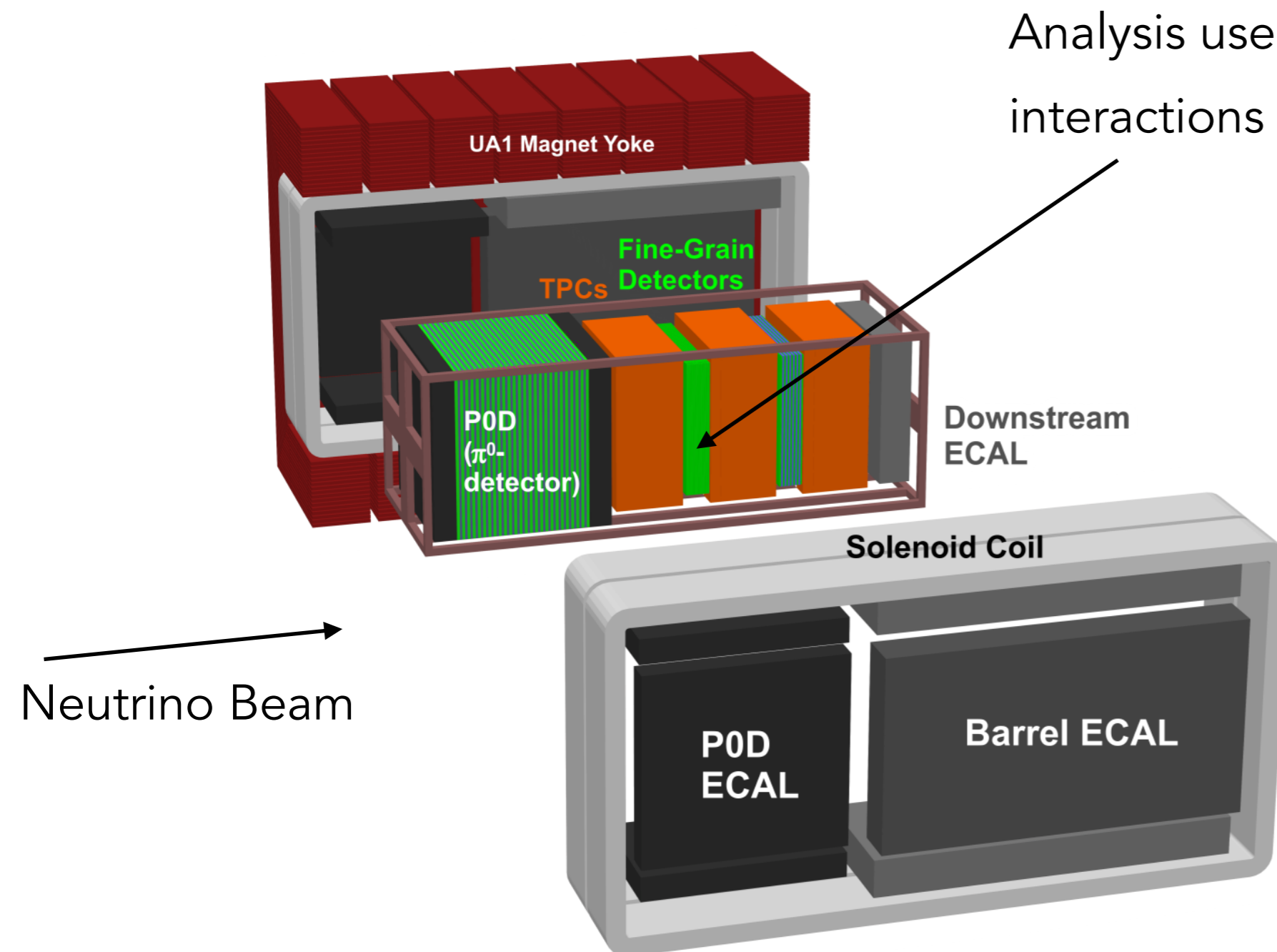
Fiducial Volume

- ▶ 88% carbon
- ▶ 7.5% hydrogen
- ▶ 3.2% oxygen

CC0 π - Experimental Results

T2K Experiment - Detector

Phys. Rev. D93, 112012 (2016)



Analysis used neutrino interactions occurring in FGD1:

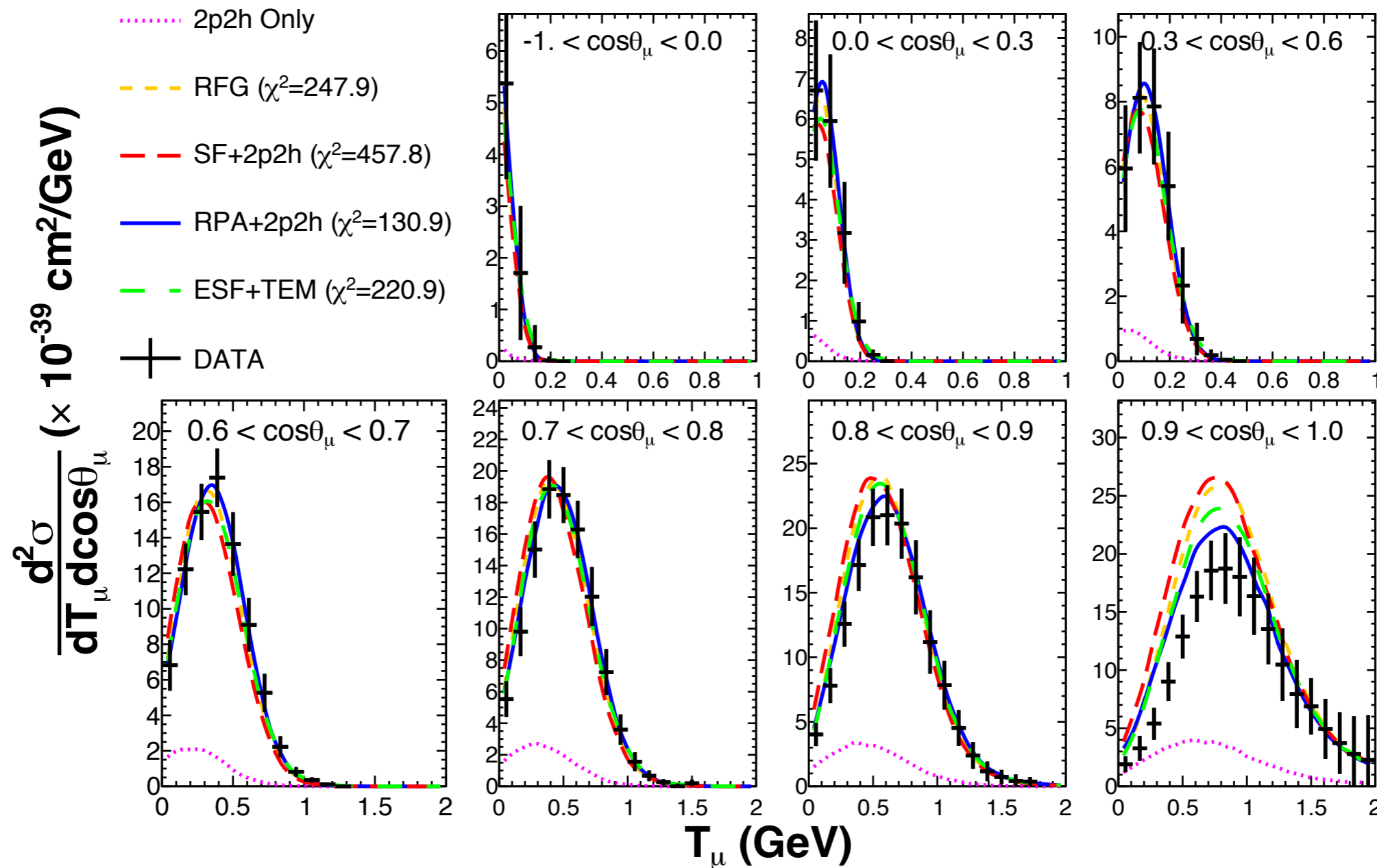
Fiducial Volume:

- ▶ 86.1% carbon
- ▶ 7.35% hydrogen
- ▶ 3.70% oxygen
- ▶ Ti, Si, N

CC0 π - Experimental Results

MiniBooNE Experiment - Results

NuSTEC White Paper,
Phys. Rev. D81, 092005 (2010)

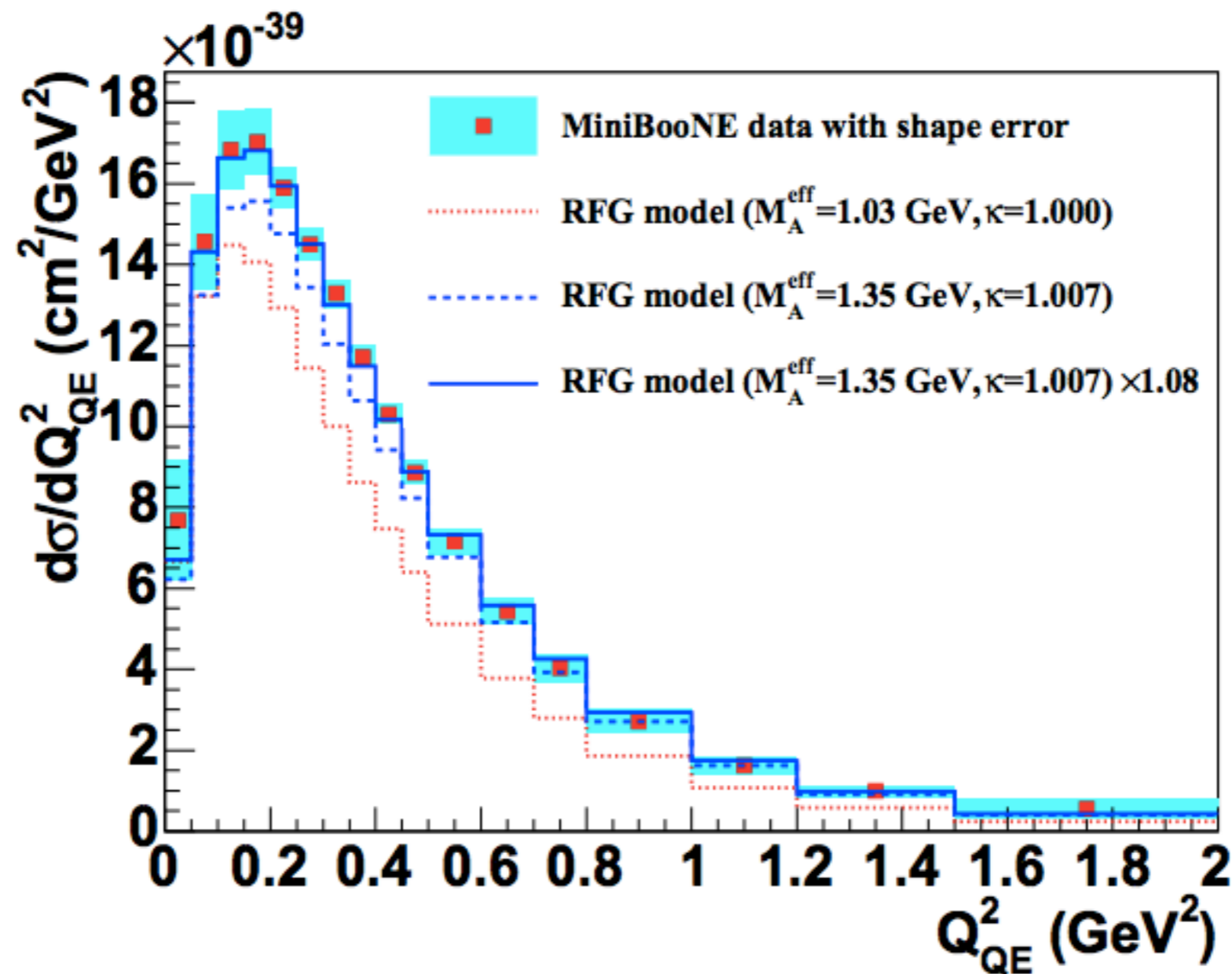


MiniBooNE data agrees well with predictions that include both 2p2h and RPA

CC0 π - Experimental Results

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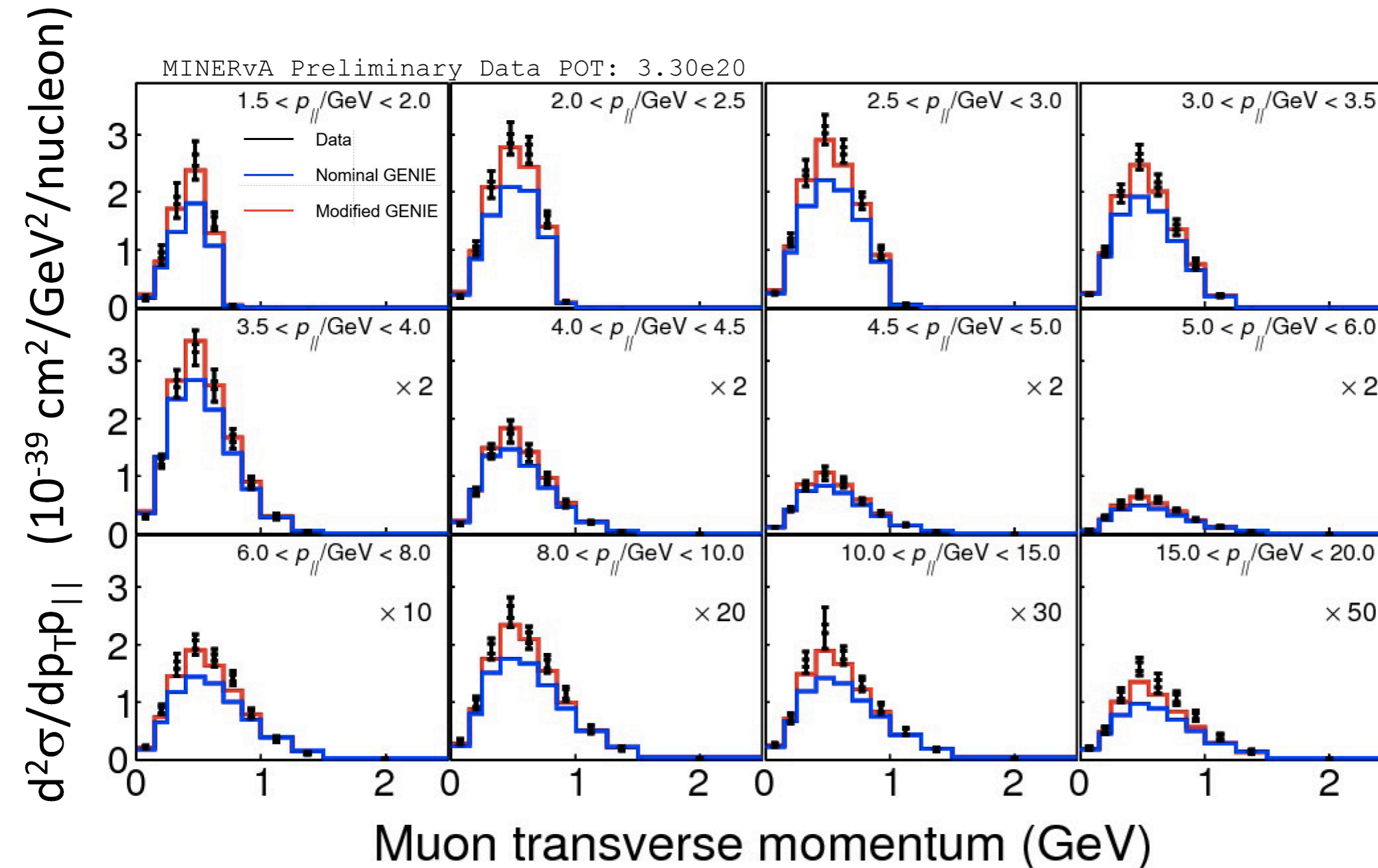


MiniBooNE data agrees with an effective value of $M_A = 1.35$ GeV

CC0 π - Experimental Results

MINERvA Experiment - Results

NuSTEC White Paper



Nominal GENIE
MC (no RPA, no
2p2h)

Modified MC
(with RPA and
enhanced 2p2h)

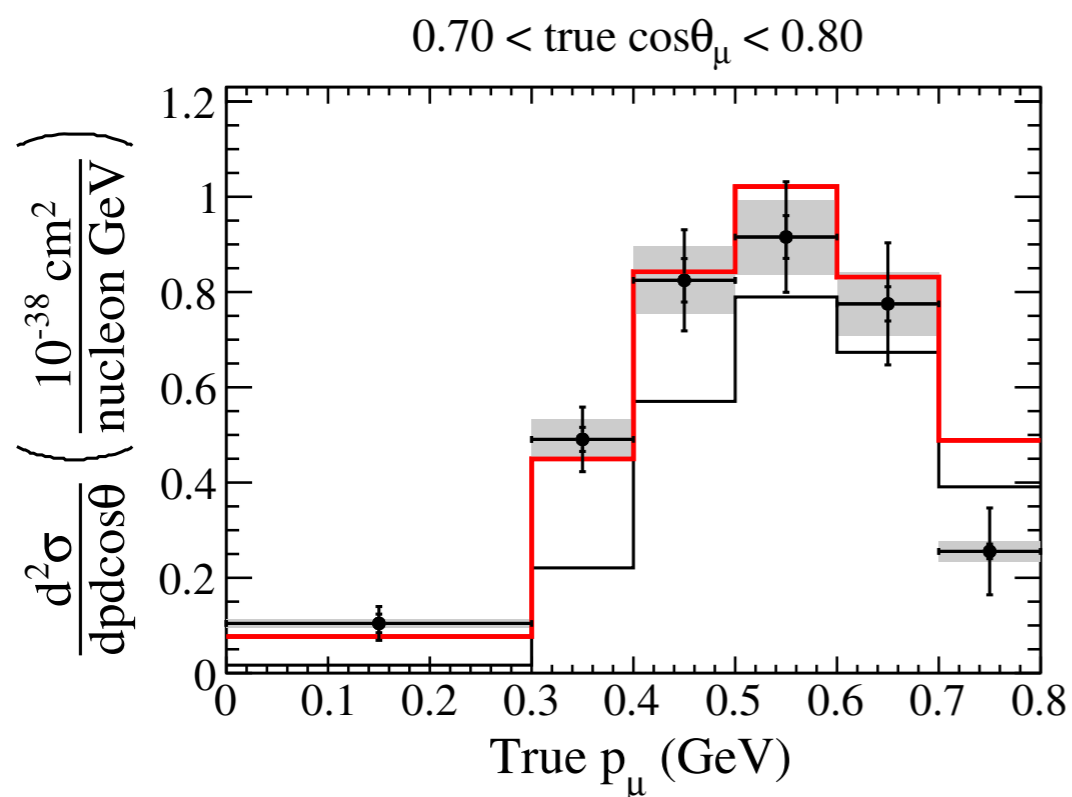
MINERvA data agrees with with simulations that include multinuclear processes

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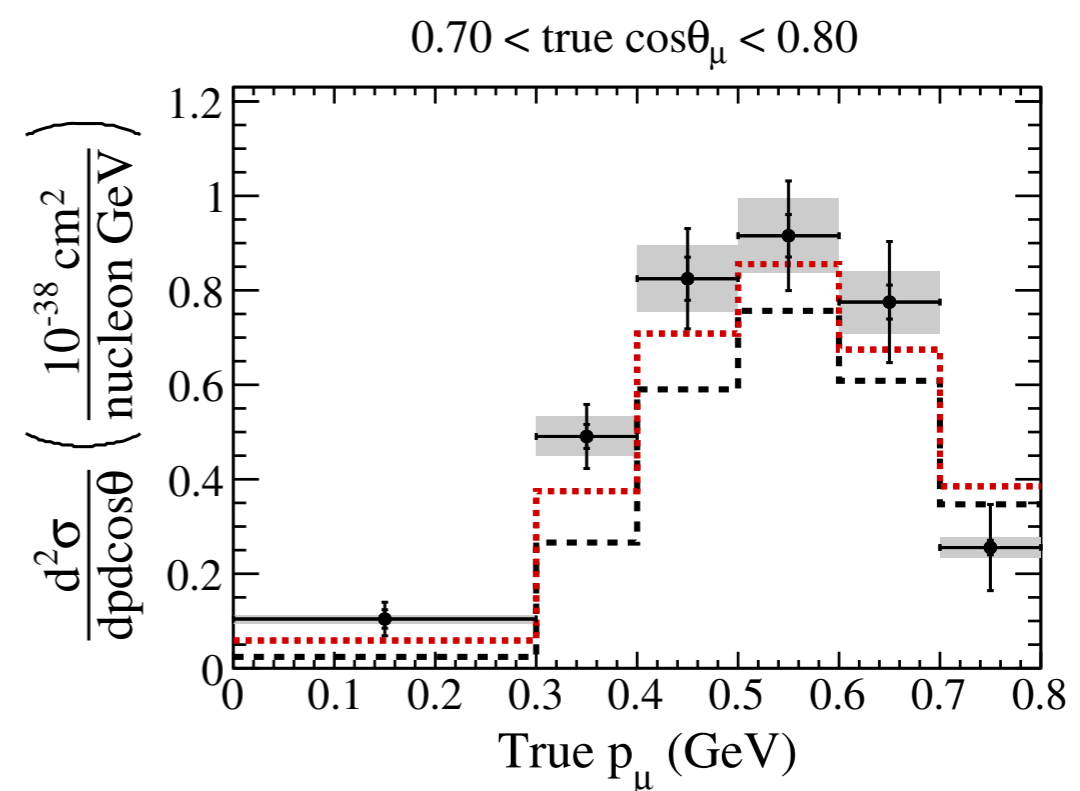
T2K Experiment - Results

Phys. Rev. D93, 112012 (2016)

—+ Data: shape uncertainty
■ Flux normalisation uncertainty



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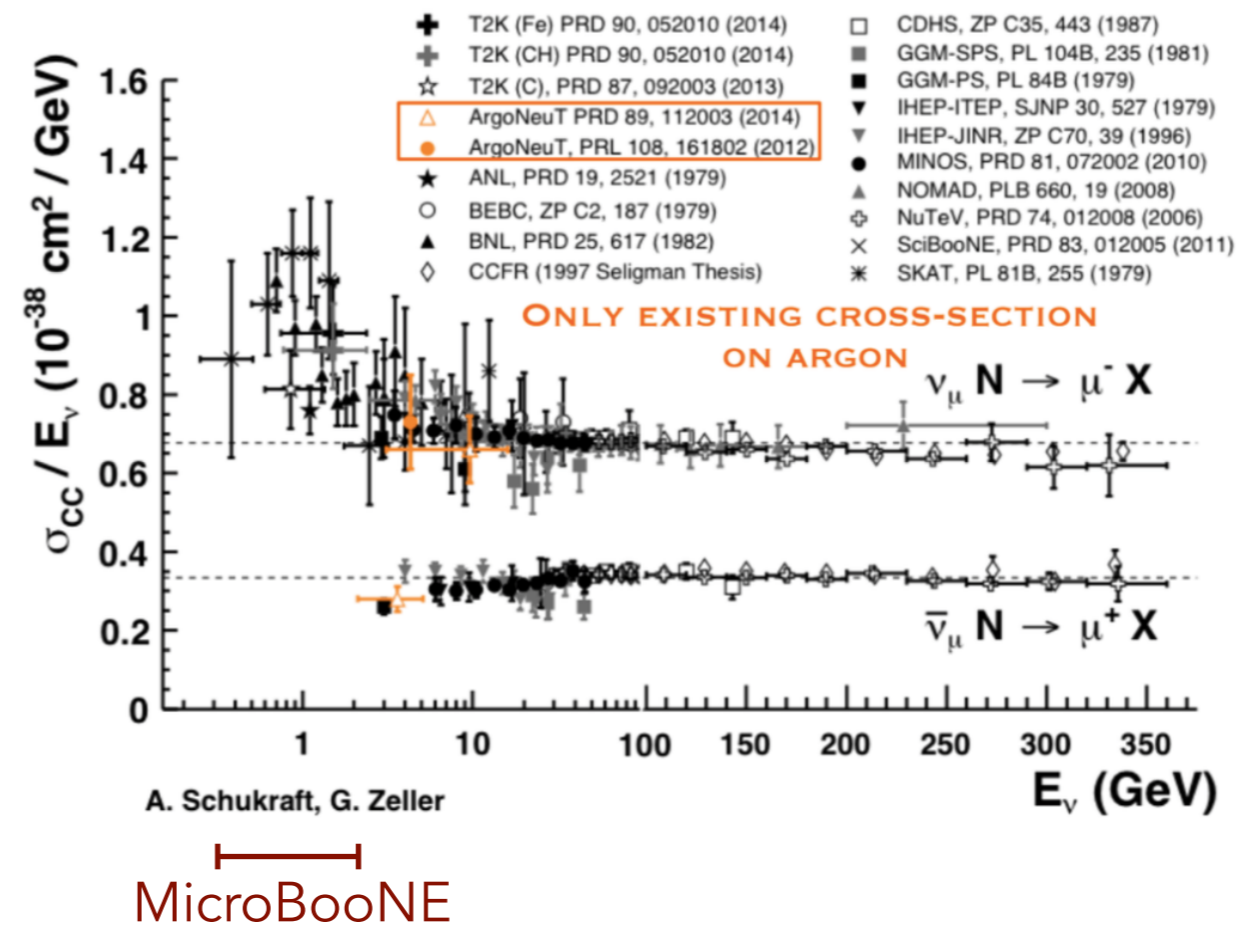


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... Nieves et al.

T2K data agrees with with simulations that include multinuclear processes

Motivations

- ▶ Neutrino oscillation goals require precise measurements of neutrino (and antineutrino) cross sections (e.g. DUNE experiment).
- ▶ MicroBooNE can probe different theories of nuclear effects in ν -Ar scattering
- ▶ ν -Ar is important as there are only limited measurements and the future short and long baseline neutrino programs will both use argon for their neutrino detectors

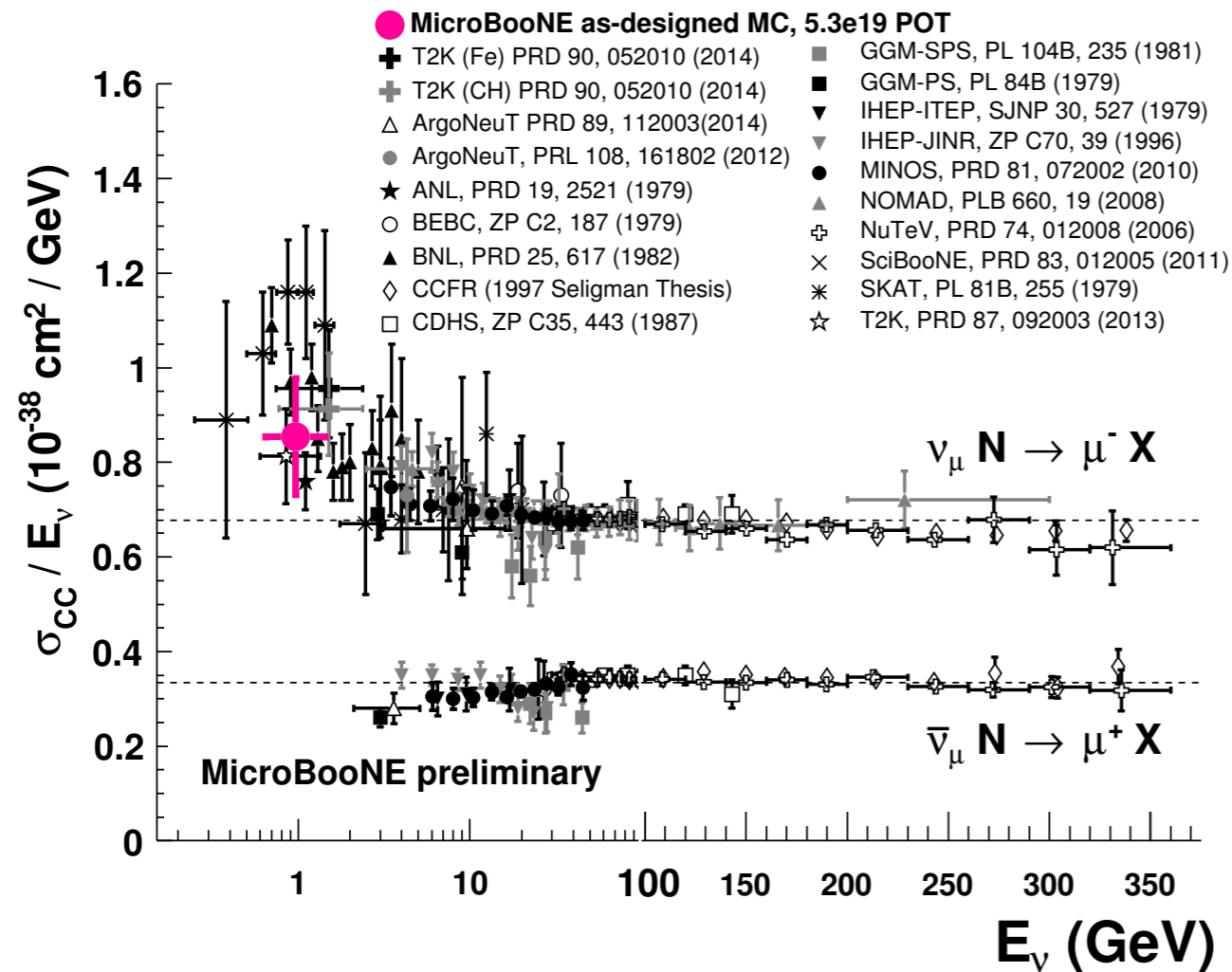


CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

CC-inclusive event selection performances

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MicroBooNE Simulation



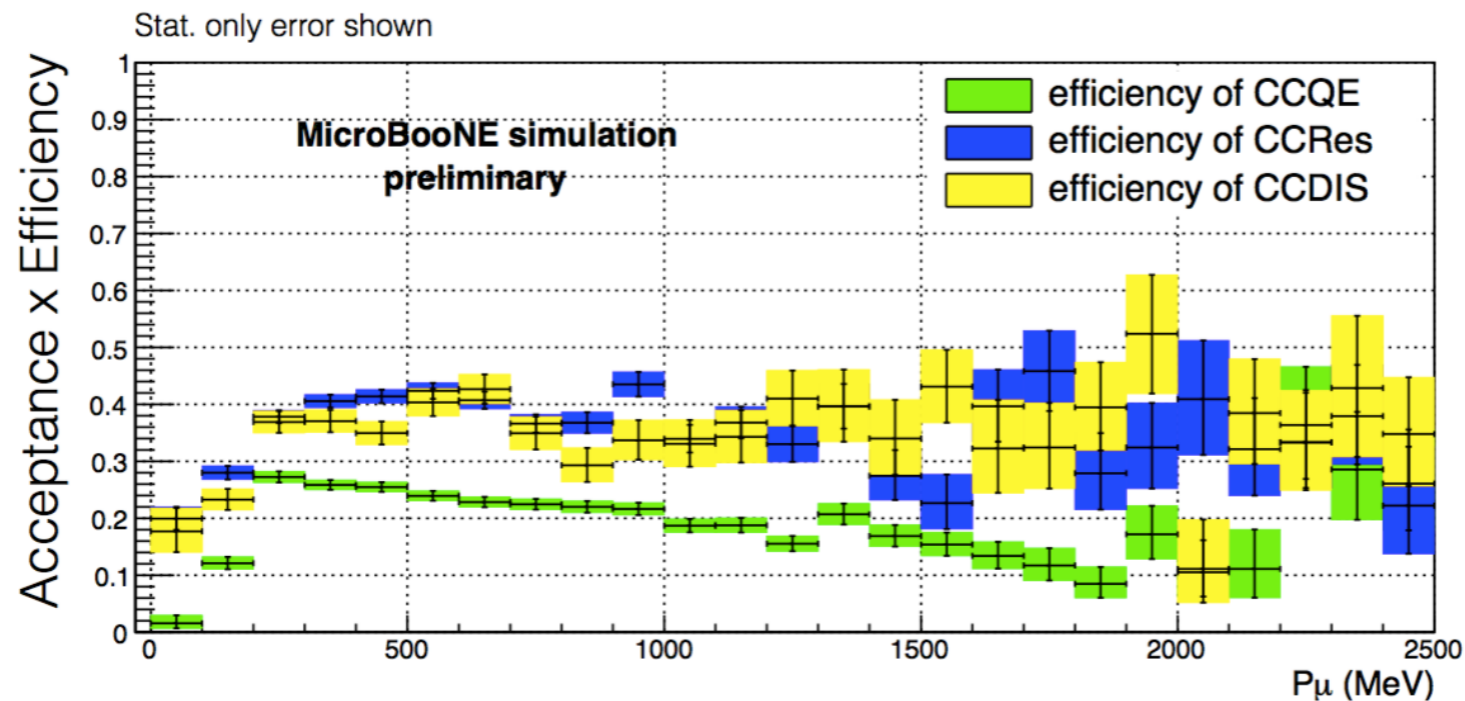
- ▶ Working on way to improve the current event selection
- ▶ New results will come out in a few months
- ▶ Recently finished installation of the Cosmic Ray Tagger, that will help us in tagging and removing cosmic rays.

CC Interactions @ MicroBooNE

CC-inclusive event selection performances

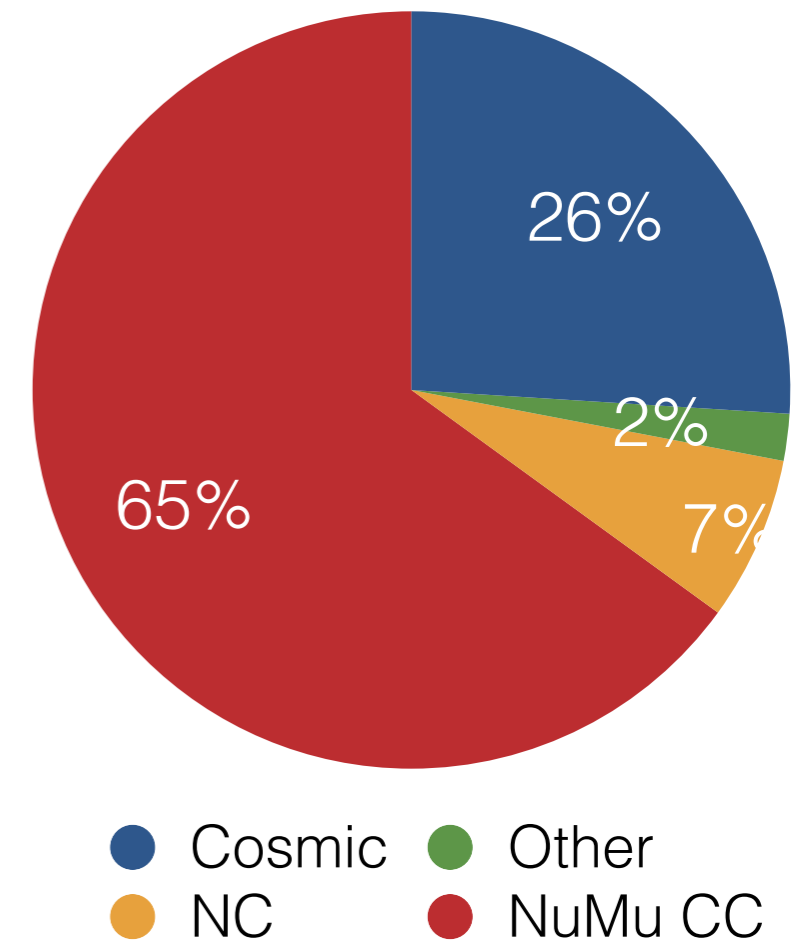
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Efficiency



Acceptance x Efficiency: 30%

Purity



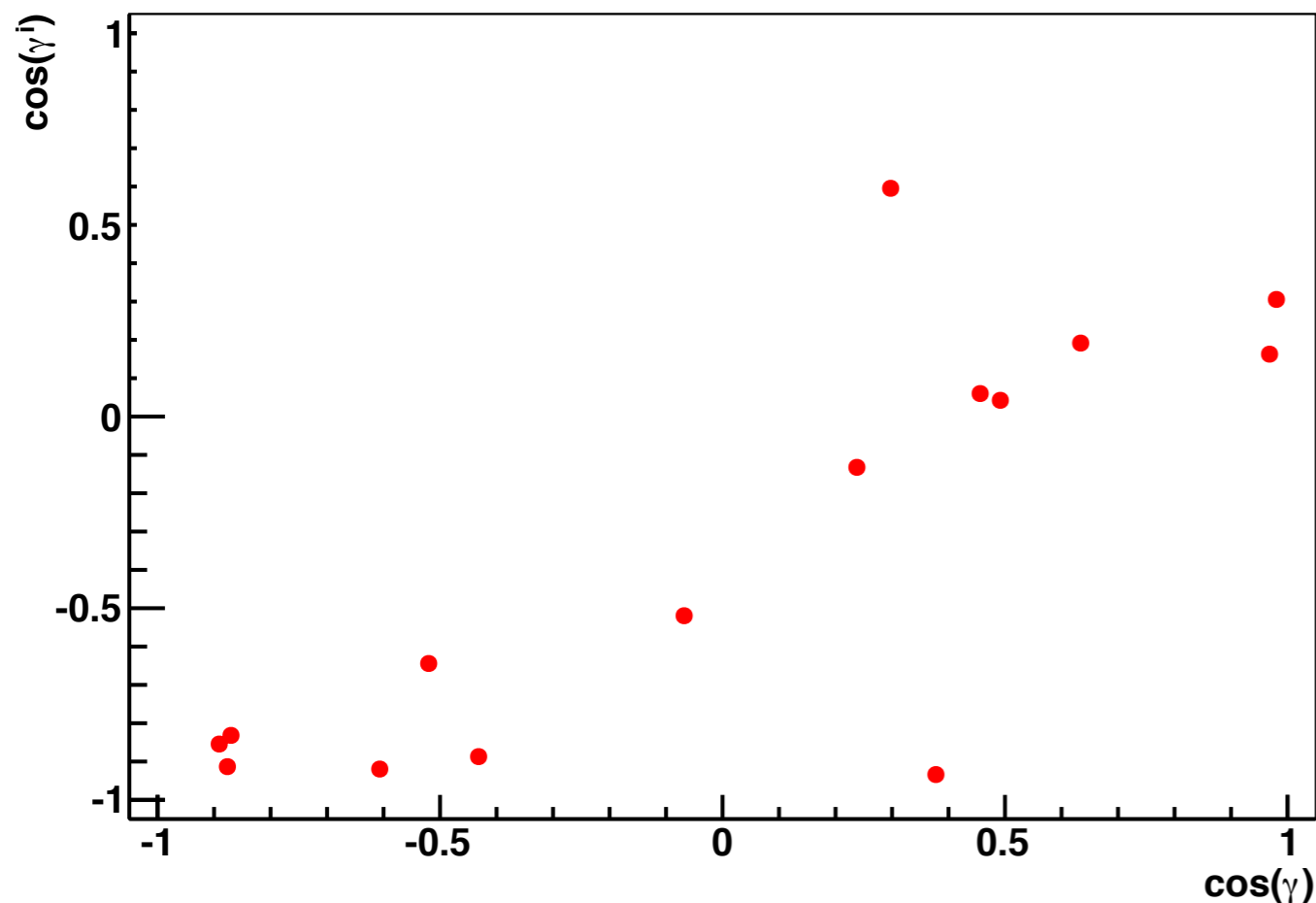
Purity: 65%

The ArgoNeuT Experiment

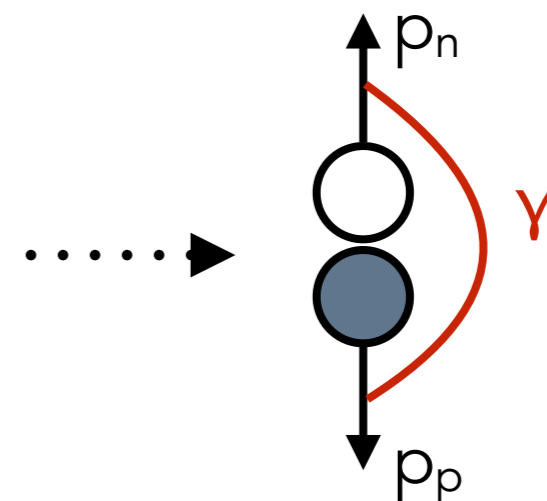
Results - Back-to-back protons

Phys. Rev. D90, 012008 (2014)

Selection: ν_μ CC0 π with 2 protons in the final state



Initial State



Final State

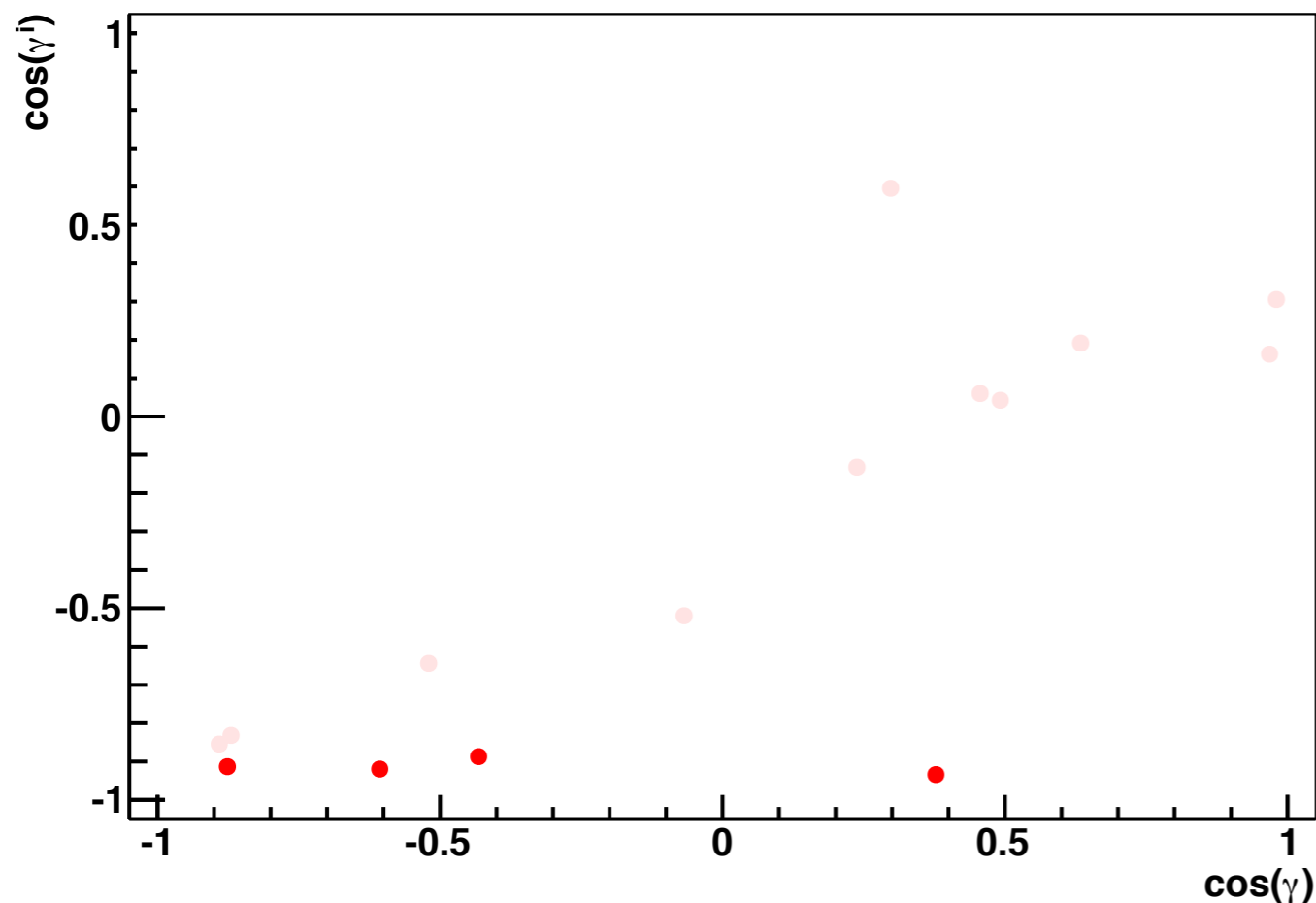


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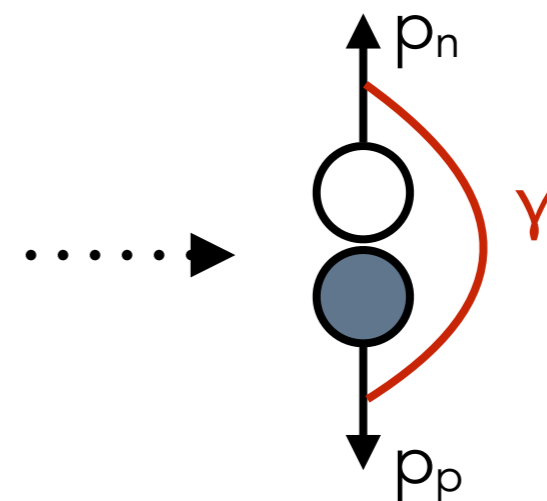
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Selection: ν_μ CCO π with **2 protons** in the final state



Other 4 events are compatible with a reconstructed back-to-back configuration of a np pair in the initial state inside the nucleus

Initial State



Final State

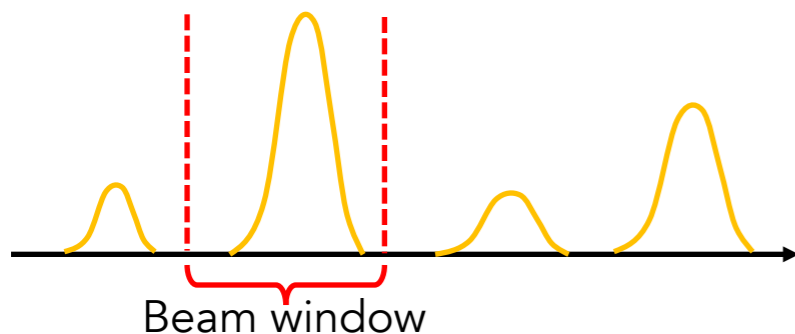


Charged Current Interactions

CC-inclusive event selection

Flash finding

Event has scintillation light (> 50 PE) during beam time window



Flash to track matching

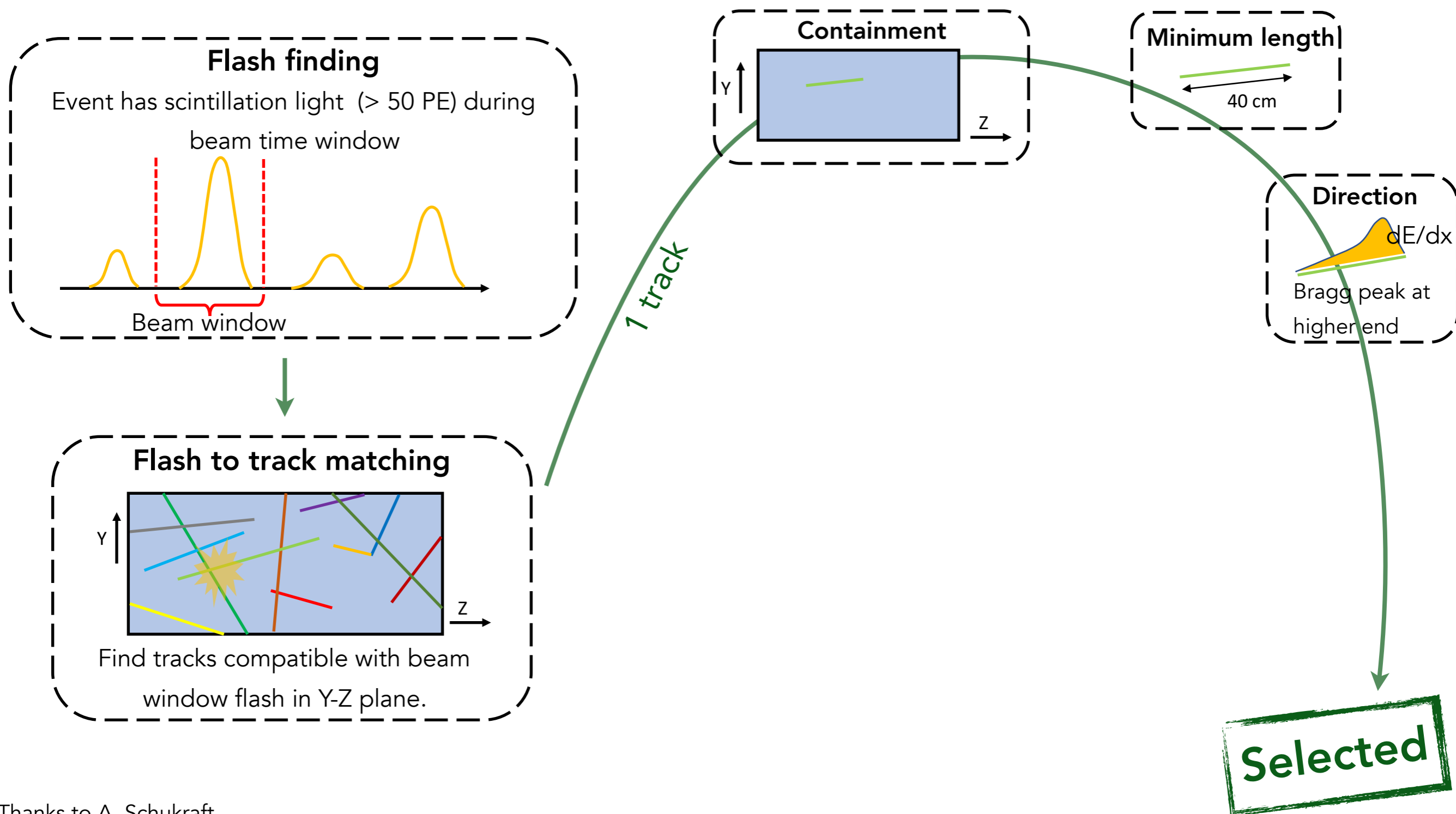


Find tracks compatible with beam window flash in Y-Z plane.

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Charged Current Interactions

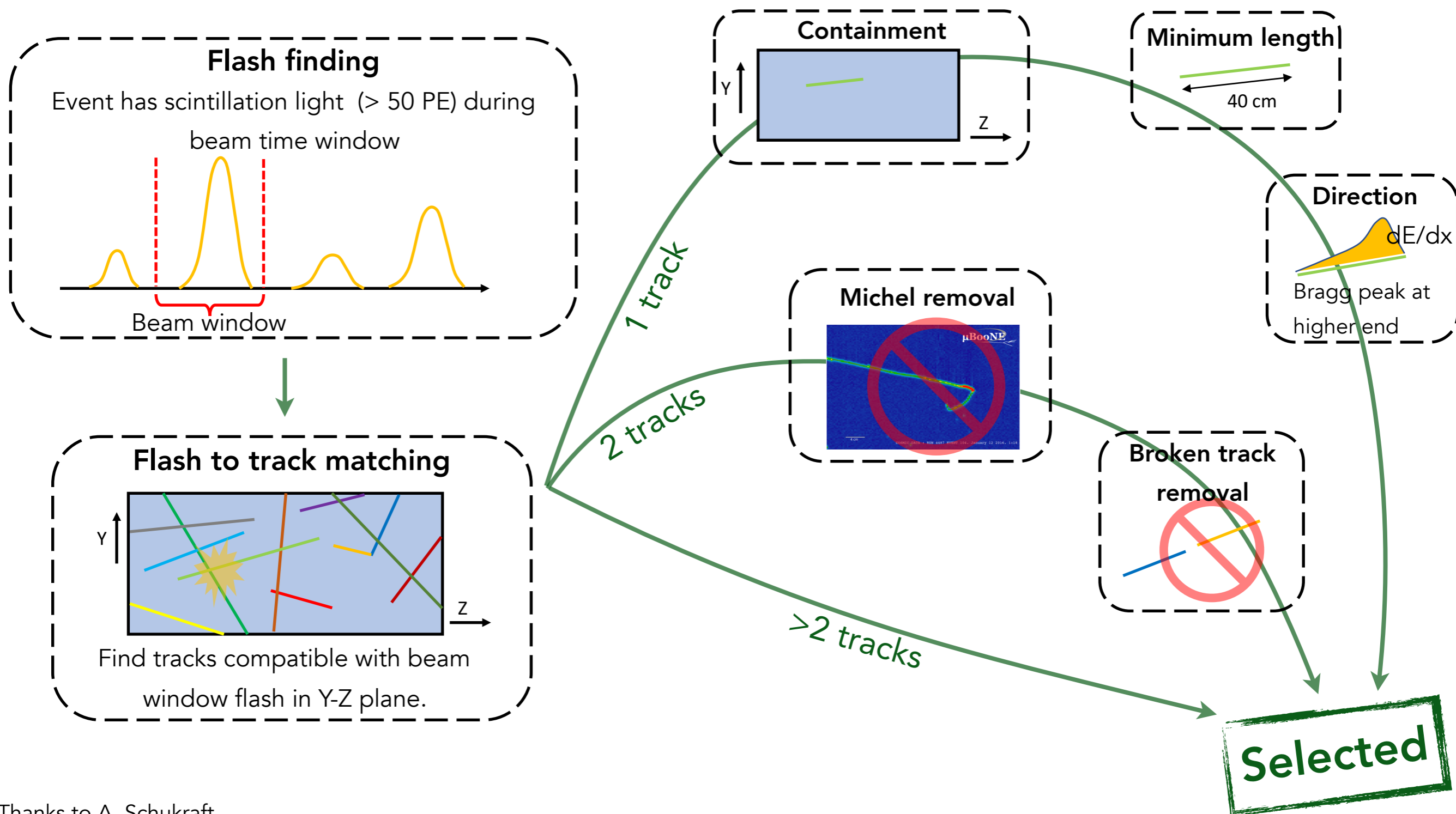
CC-inclusive event selection



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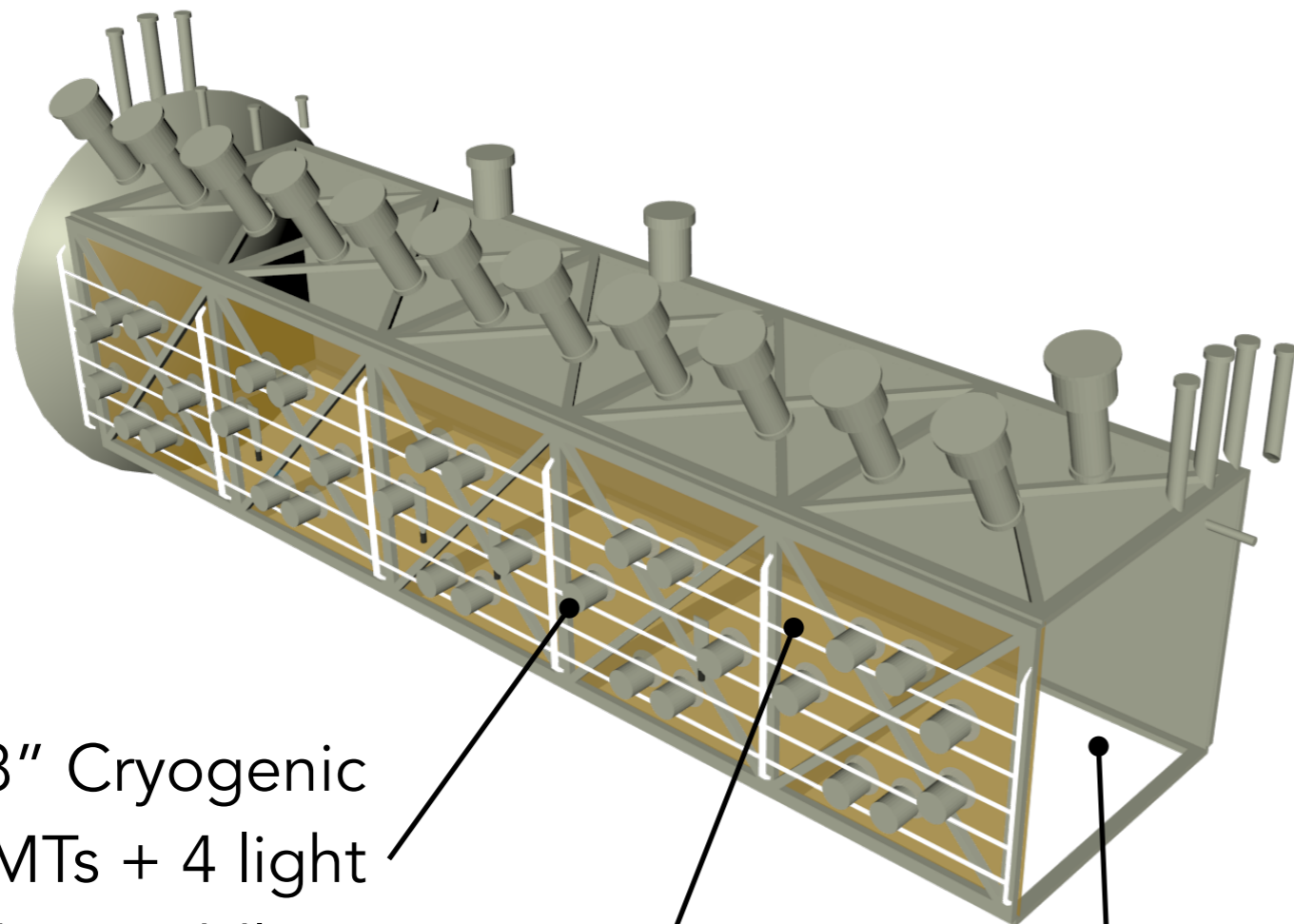
Charged Current Interactions

CC-inclusive event selection



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The MicroBooNE Detector



32 8" Cryogenic
PMTs + 4 light
guide "paddles"

8192 wires
(3 mm pitch)

170 ton LArTPC
(total mass)

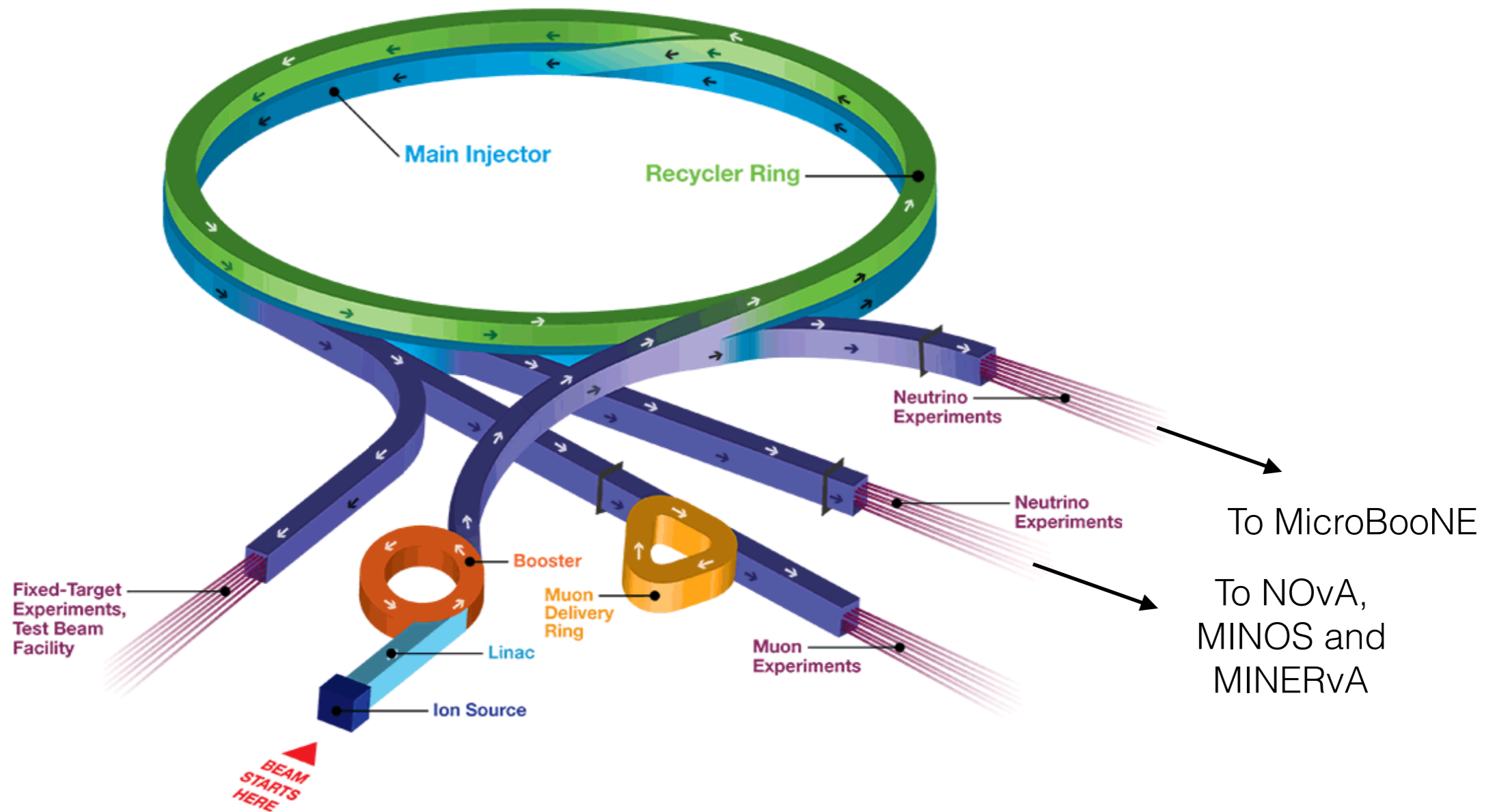


MicroBooNE cryostat lowered into the pit



Inside the detector: PMT system

Fermilab Accelerator Complex



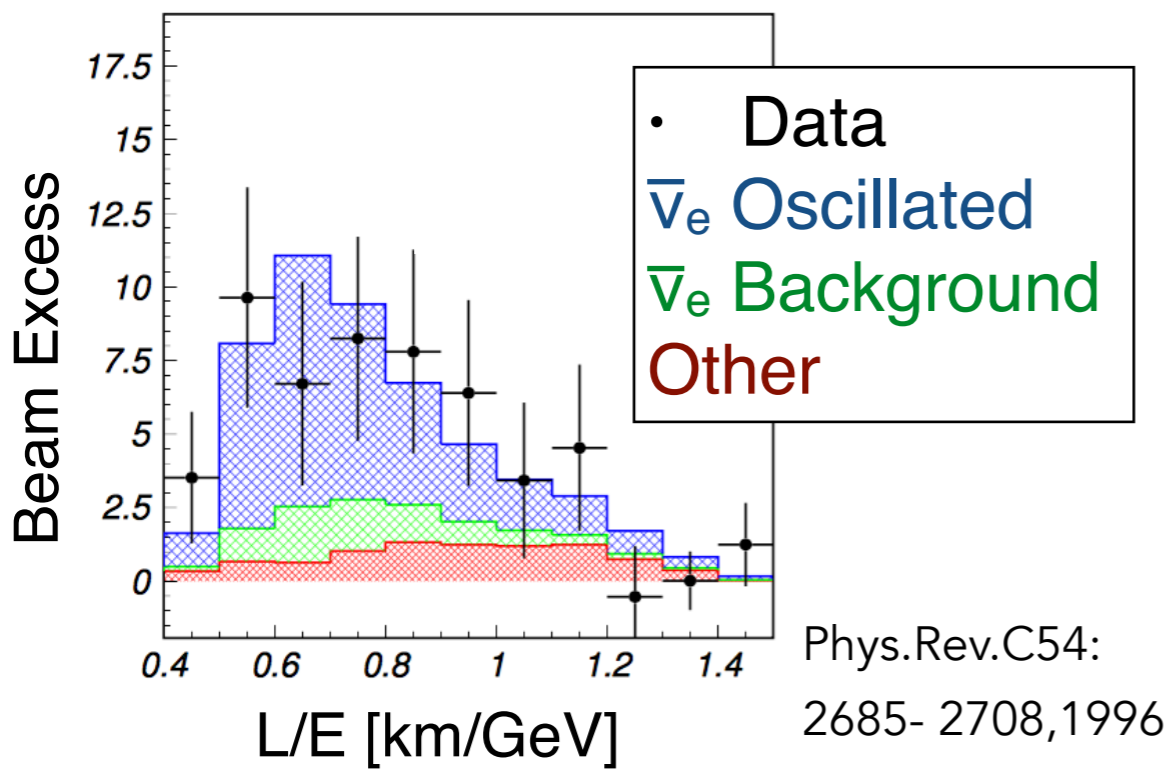
Motivations for MicroBooNE

LSND

Muon anti-neutrino beam

Excess of electron anti-neutrino events

Could be explained by oscillations
L/E ~ 1 km/GeV

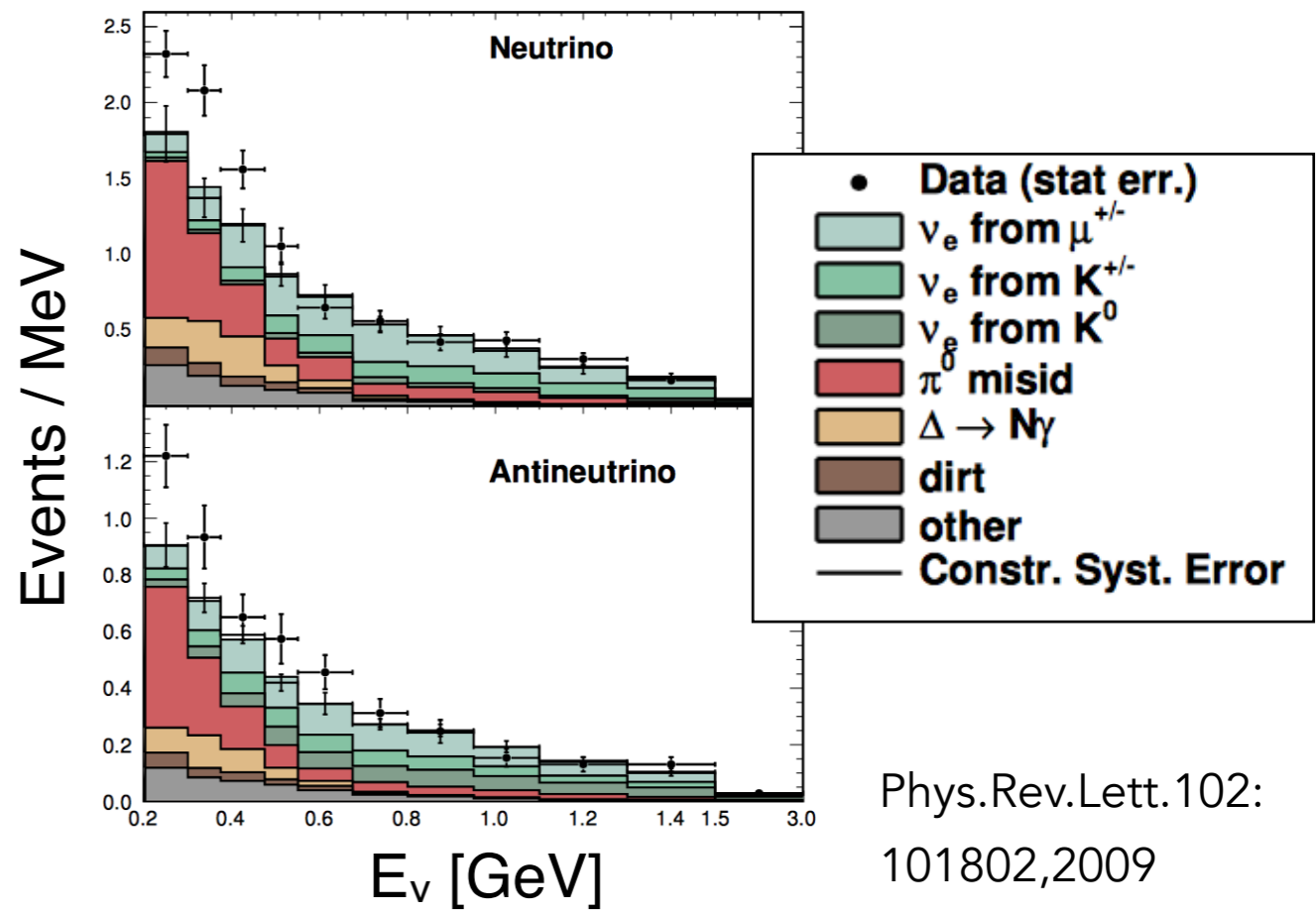


MiniBooNE

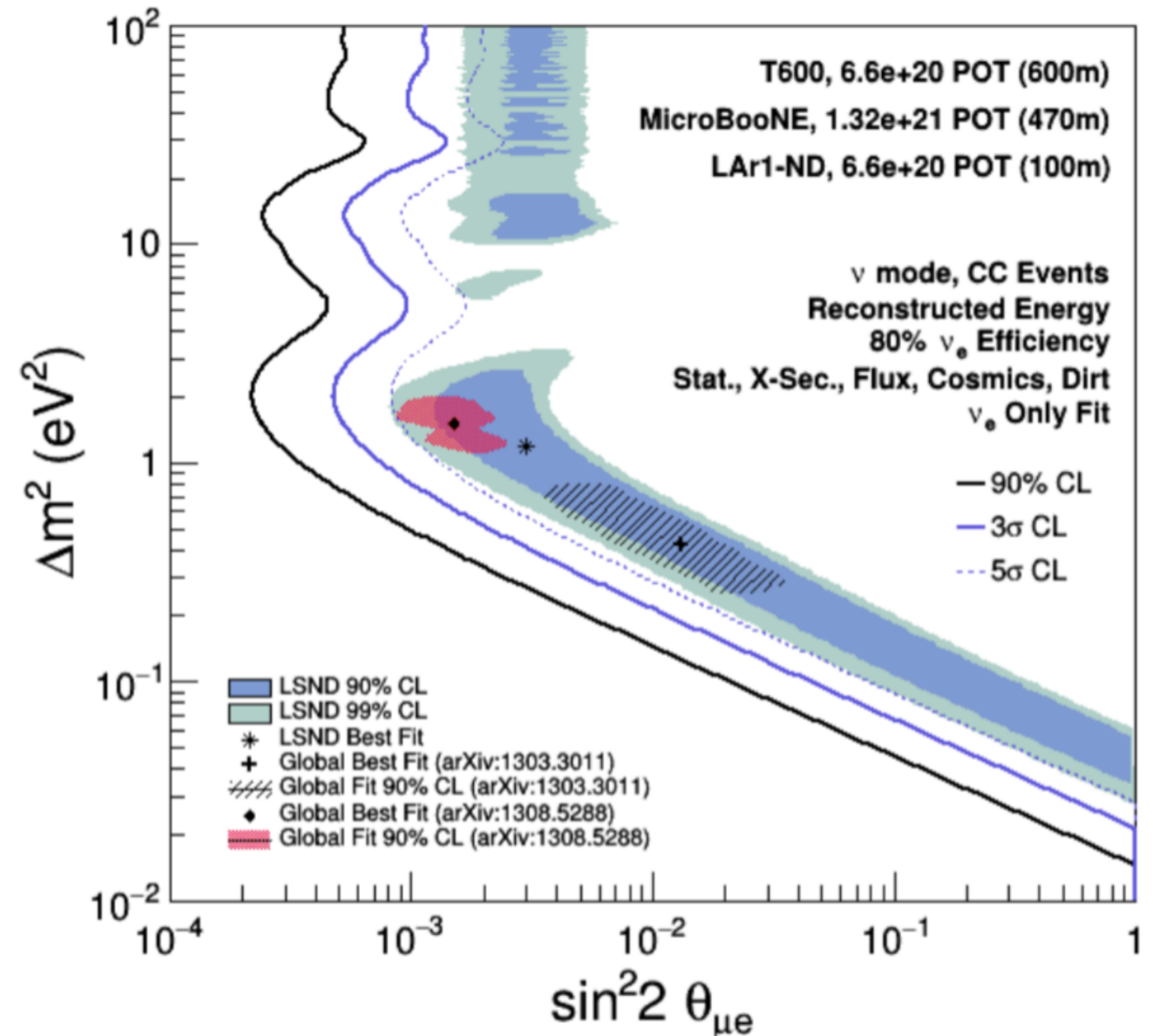
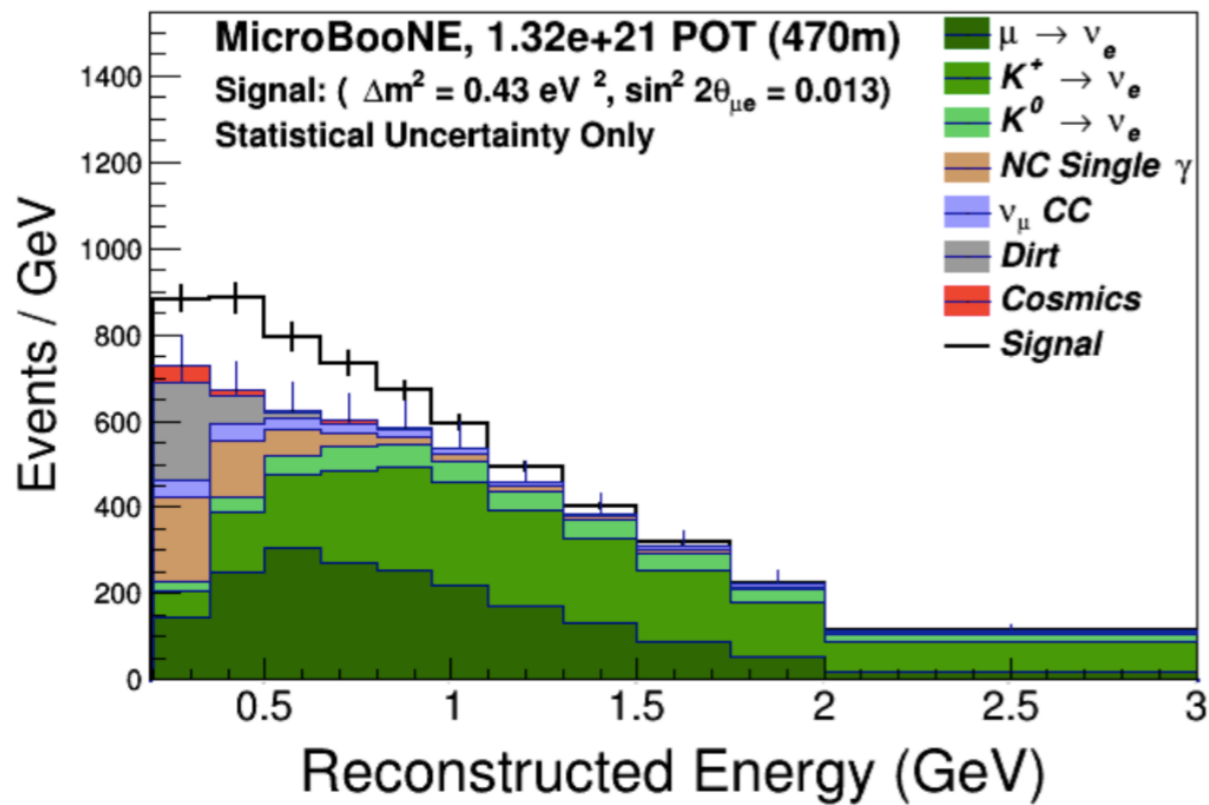
Designed to study the LSND anomaly

Different baseline and energy but same L/E

Found excess in both neutrino and anti-neutrino data



SBN - Neutrino oscillation



“A Proposal for a Three Detector Short-Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Program in the Fermilab Booster Neutrino Beam”, arXiv:1503.01520v1