
ν A Interactions from the Experimental Side

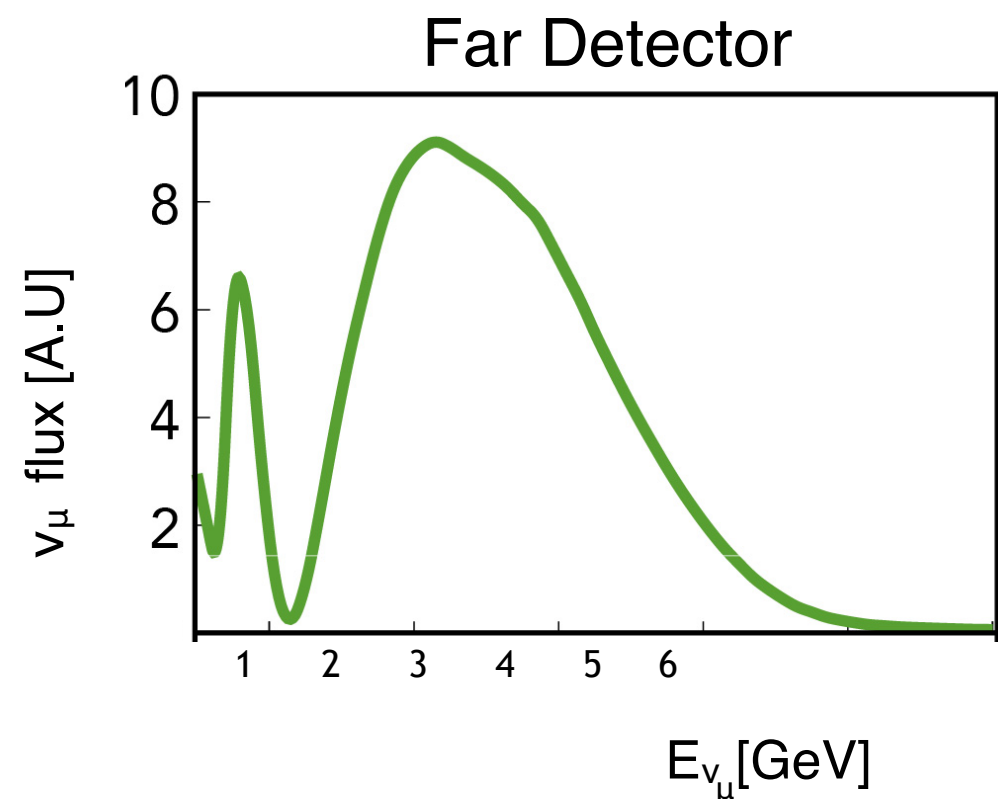
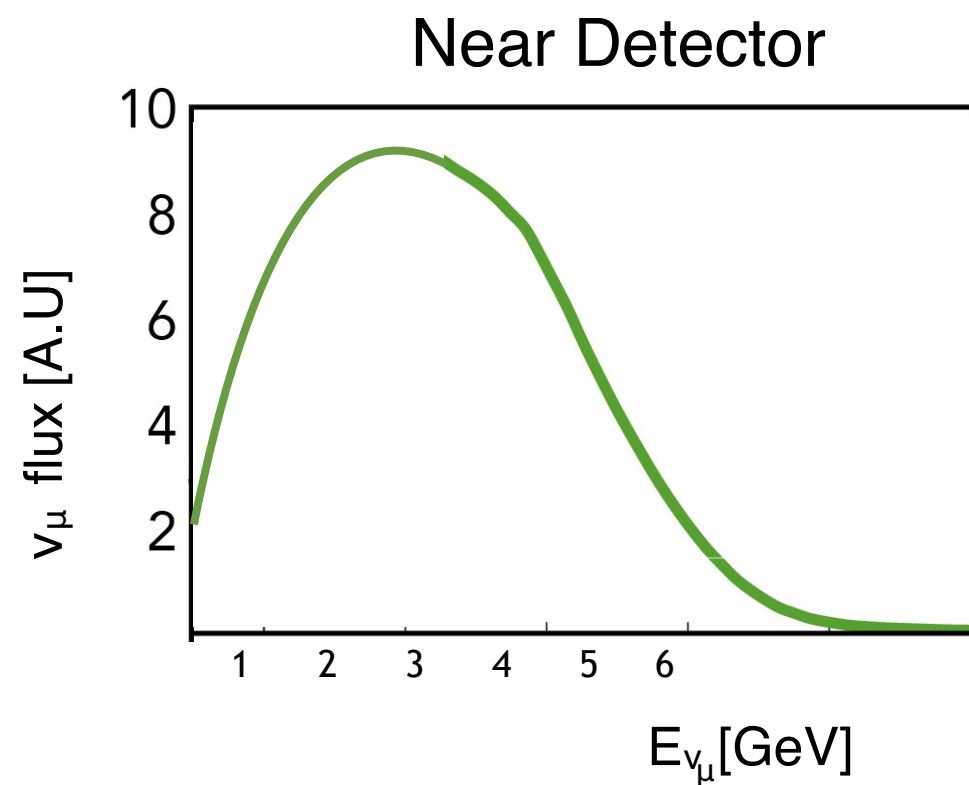
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The challenge - next generation high precision

Oscillation experiments aim to answer the CP nature and the mass ordering of neutrinos as well as search for new physics



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Incoming true flux

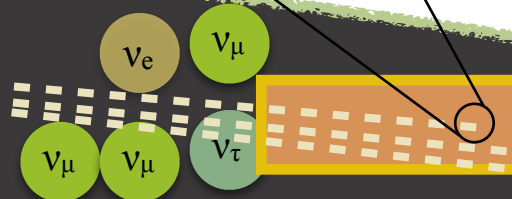
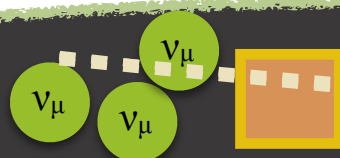
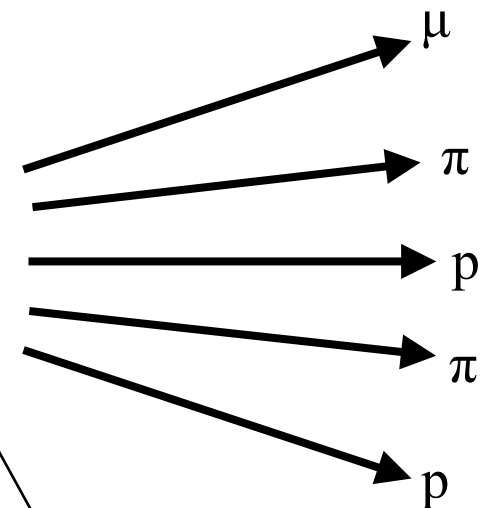
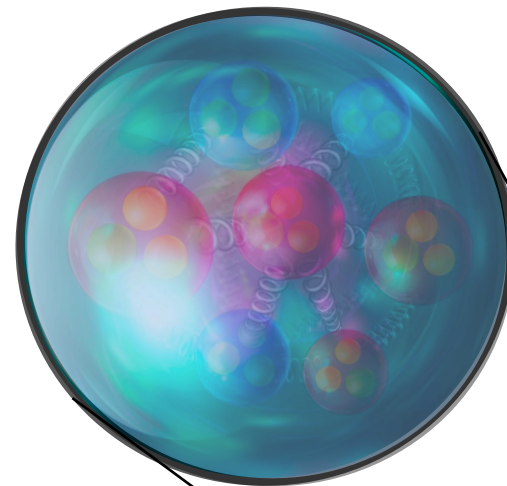
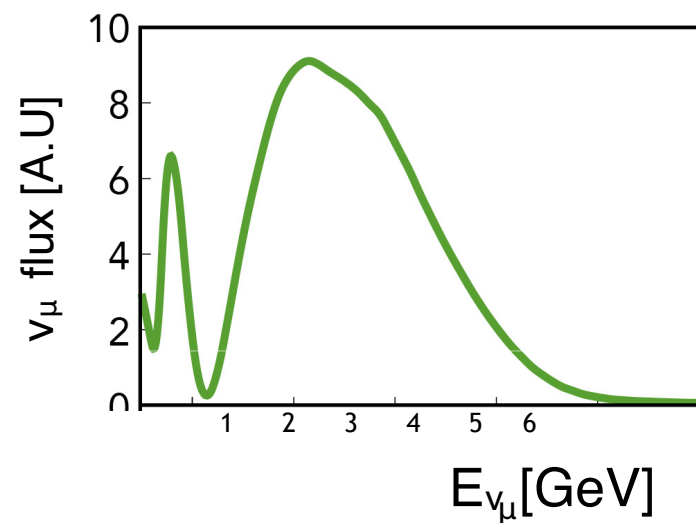
$$\int \Phi(E, L)$$

Modelling Input

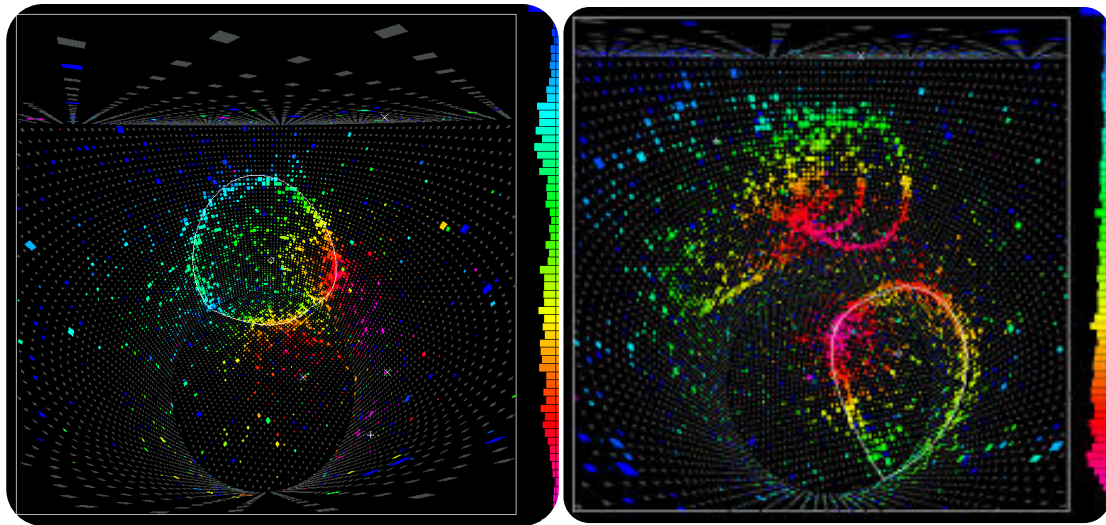
$$\sigma(E) f_{\sigma}(E, E_{rec}) dE$$

Measurement

$$\propto N(E_{rec}, L)$$



Incoming Energy Reconstruction

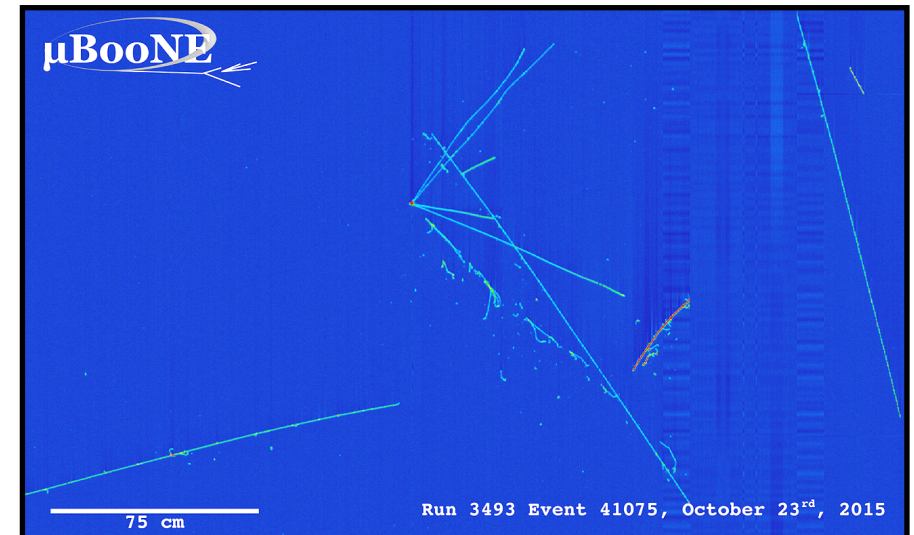


Cherenkov detectors:

Assuming QE interaction

Using lepton only

$$E_{QE} = \frac{2M\epsilon + 2ME_l - m_l^2}{2(M - E_l + |k_l| \cos \theta_l)}$$



Tracking detectors:

Calorimetric sum

Using All detected particles

$$E_{\text{cal}} = E_l + E_p^{\text{kin}} + \epsilon$$

[1p0π]

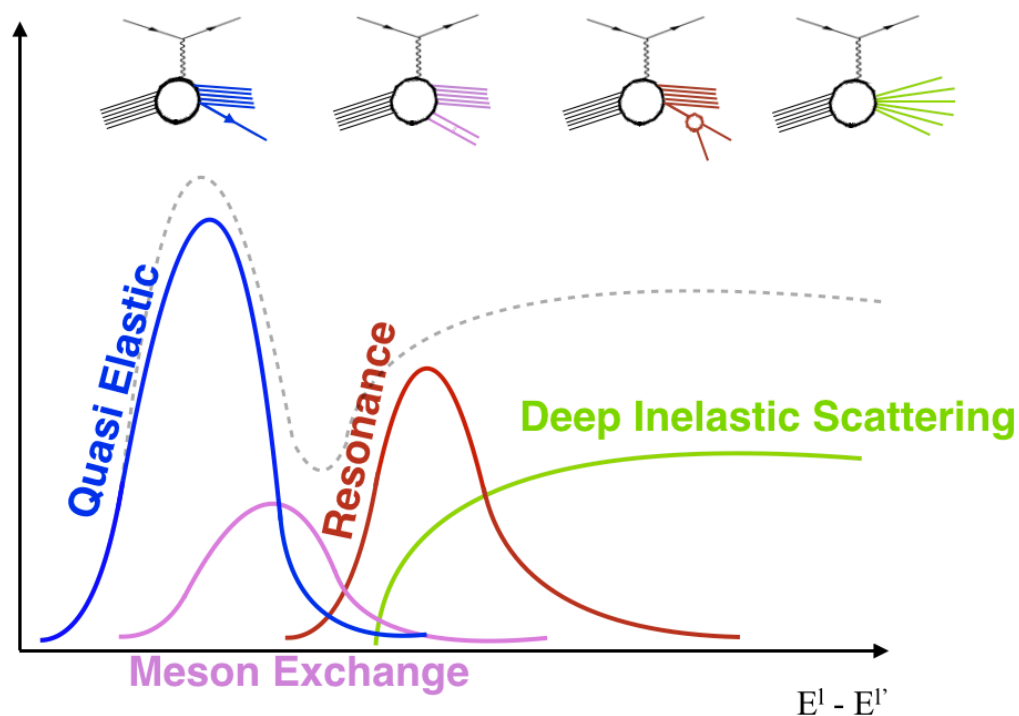
ϵ is the nucleon separation energy ~ 20 MeV

Lepton-Nucleus Interaction Modelling - Need constraints

Neutrino event generators simulating νA interaction



and more



Factorisation of

- Initial state
- Each interaction mechanism separately
- Final State Interactions

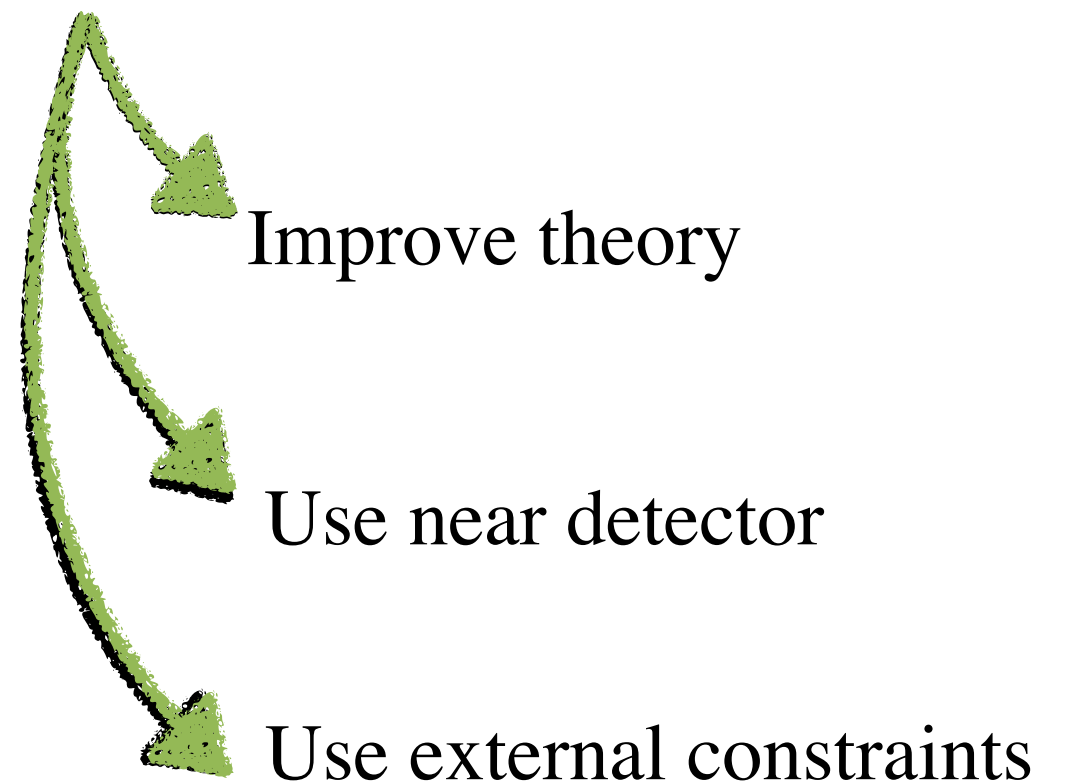
Empirical or semi classical models
with many free parameters

The challenge - next generation high precision

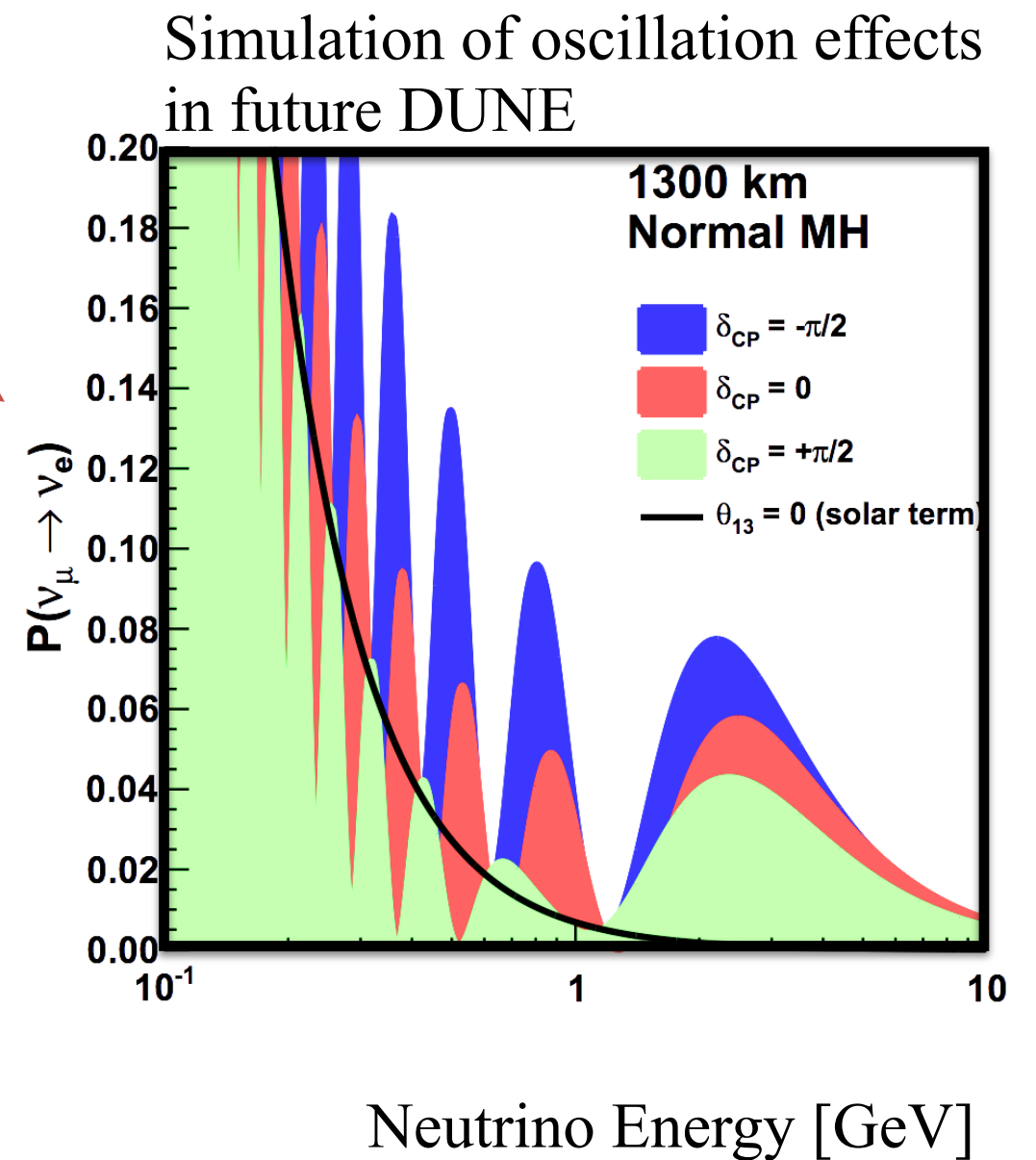
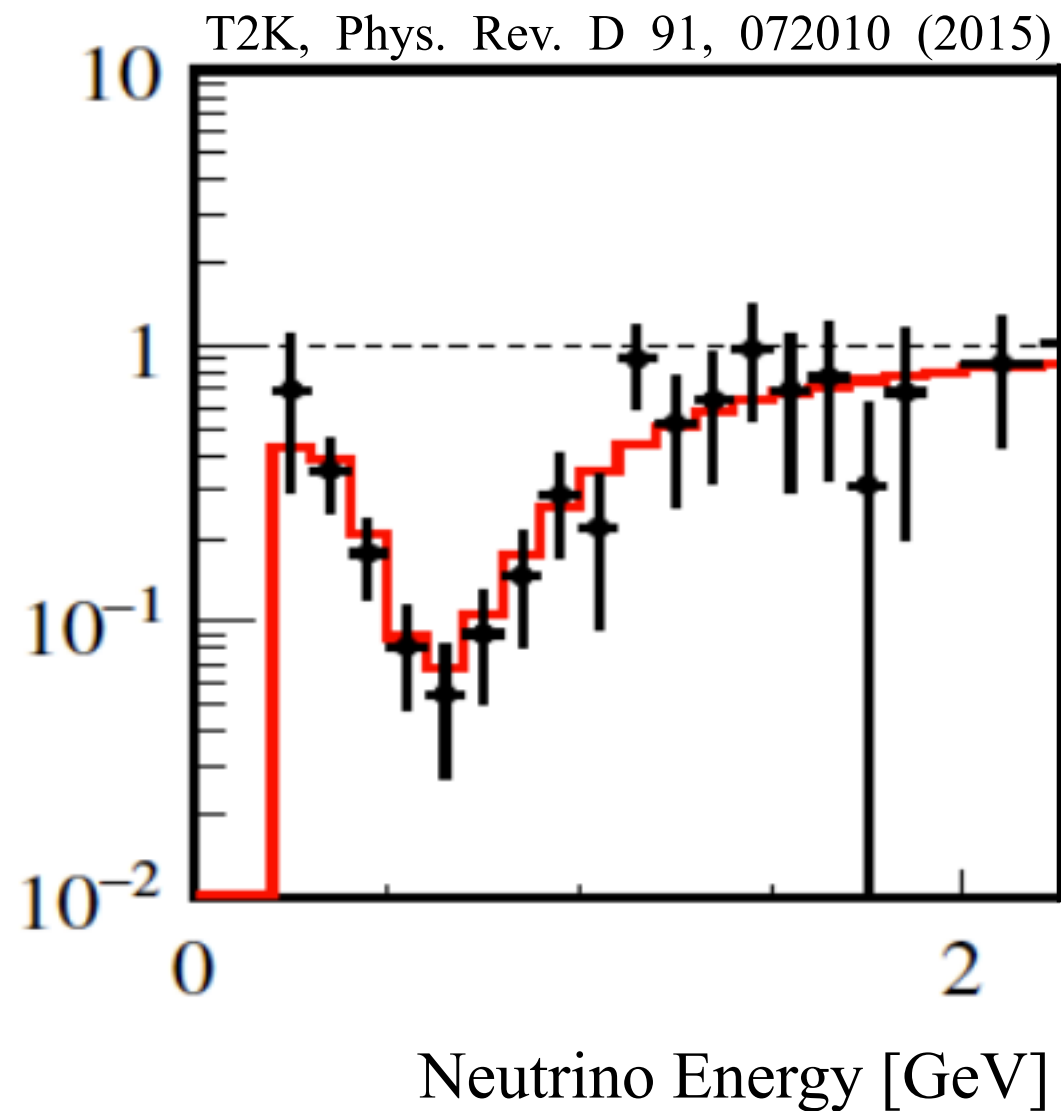
$$N(E_{rec}, L) \propto \int \Phi(E, L) \sigma(E) f_{\sigma}(E, E_{rec}) dE$$

Measurement

Incoming true flux Modelling input



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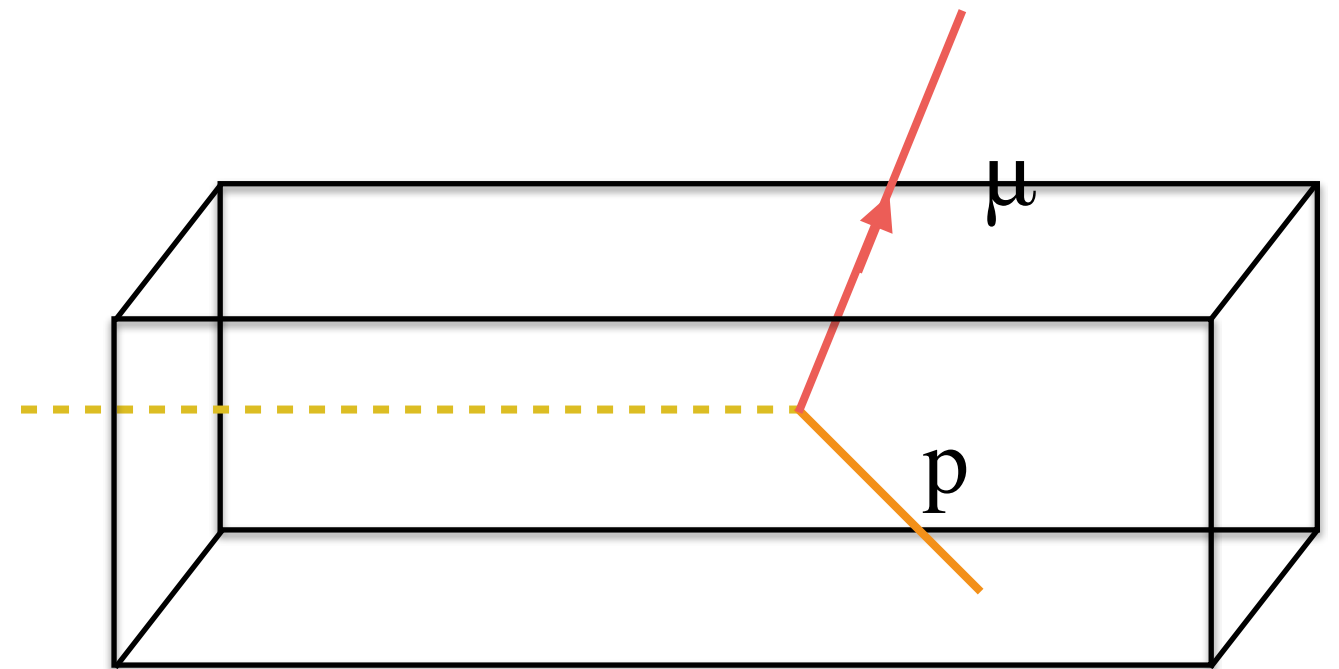


μBooNE



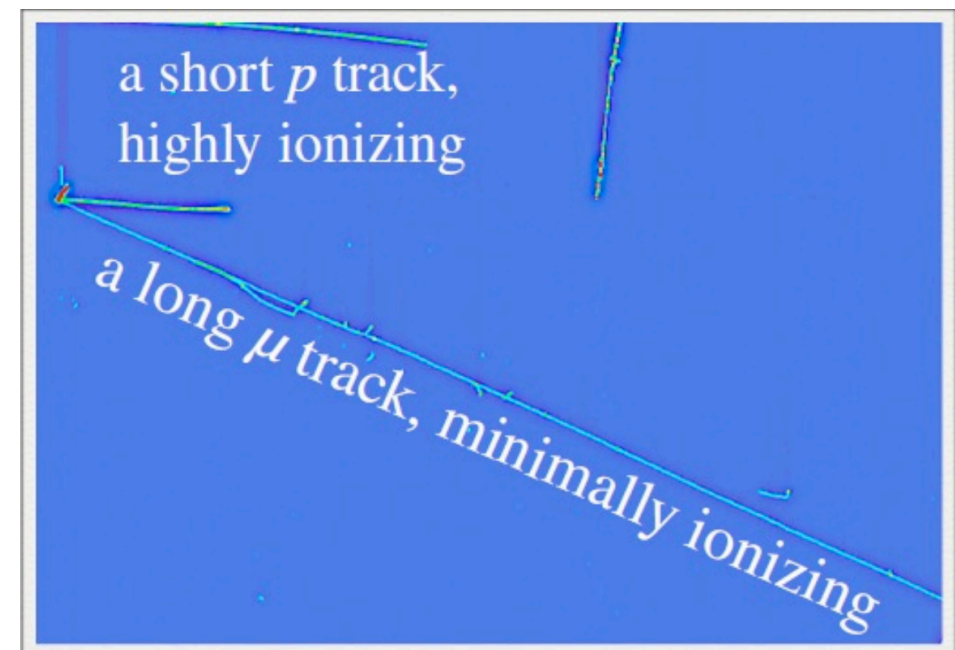
CCQE-like analysis in μ BooNE

Vertex of 2 semi-contained tracks
(start within the fiducial volume)
one muon ($P_\mu > 100 \text{ MeV/c}$)
one proton ($P_p > 300 \text{ MeV/c}$)
no π^0 , no charged π ($\geq 70 \text{ MeV/c}$)



Additional kinematical cuts on:

- To reduce cosmic contamination
 - $|\Delta\theta_{\mu p} - 90^\circ| < 55^\circ$
- To enhance QE contribution
 - $|\Delta\phi_{\mu p} - 180^\circ| < 35^\circ$
 - $p_T = |\mathbf{p}_{T,\mu} + \mathbf{p}_{T,p}| < 350 \text{ MeV/c}$

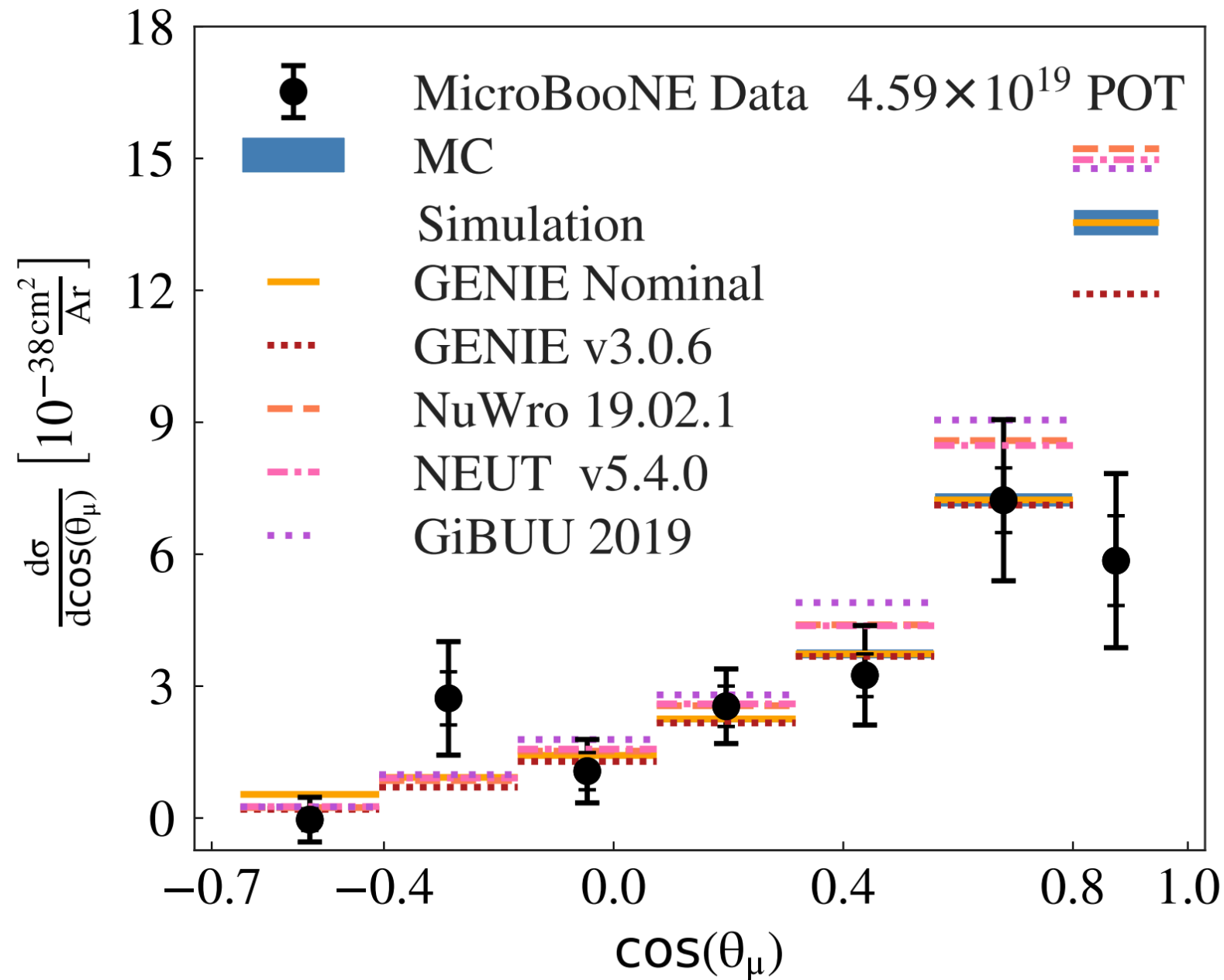


$\sim 84\%$ CC1p0 π ($\sim 81\%$ CCQE) purity, 20% efficiency

CCQE-like: Results Old Model

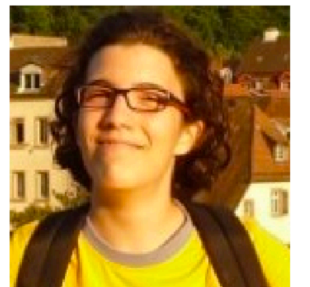
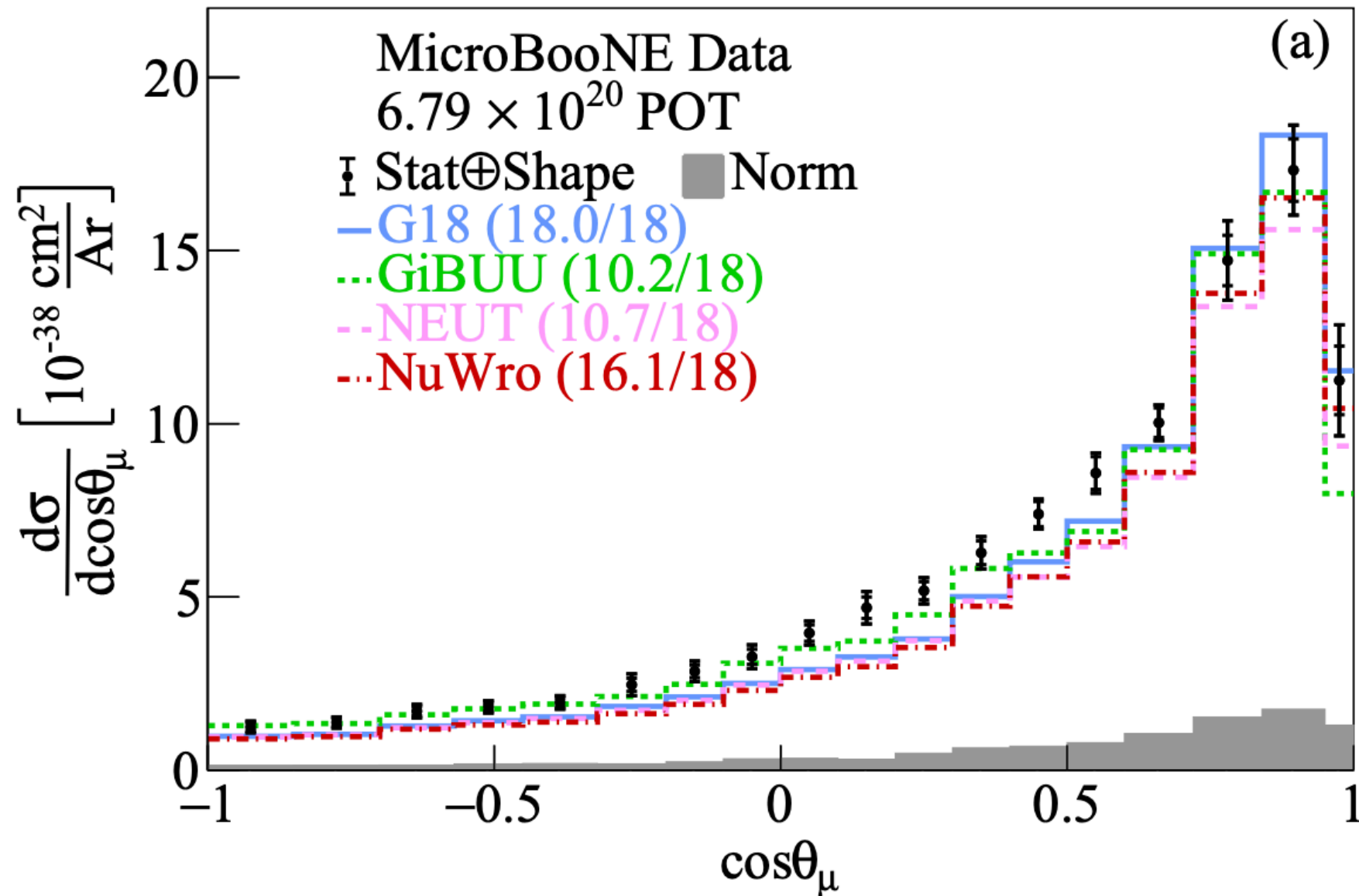
Overall agreement except for forward muon scattering angle

$$\nu + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \mu + p + {}^{39}\text{Ar}$$



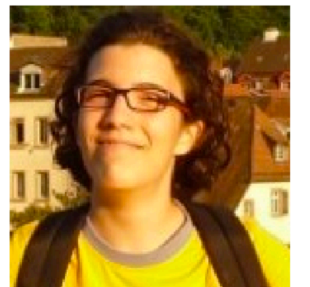
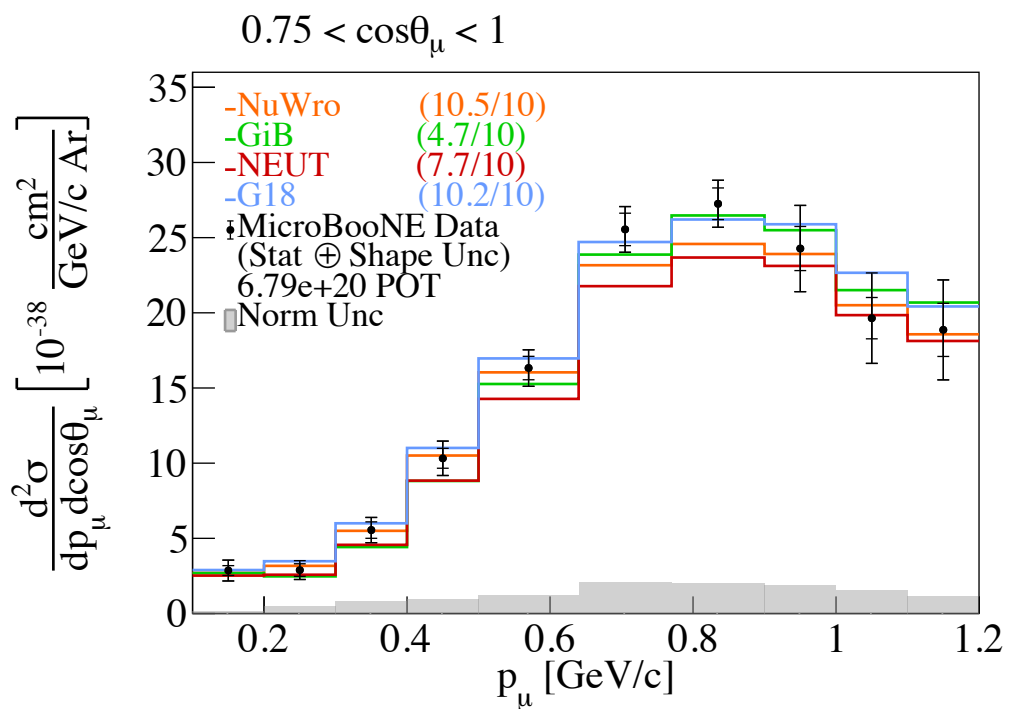
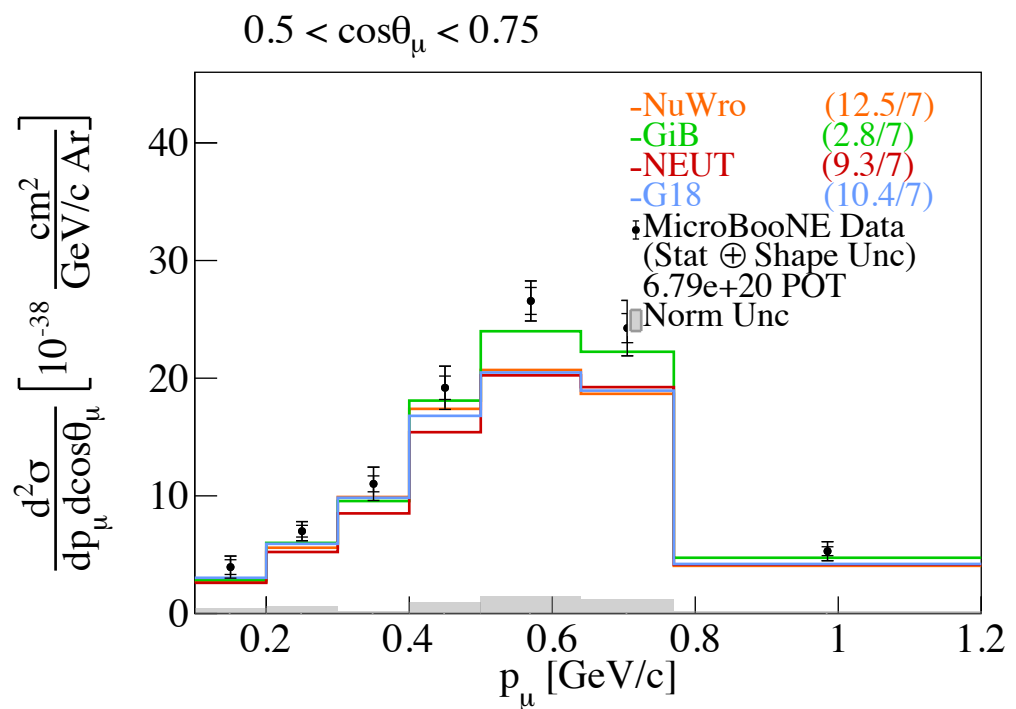
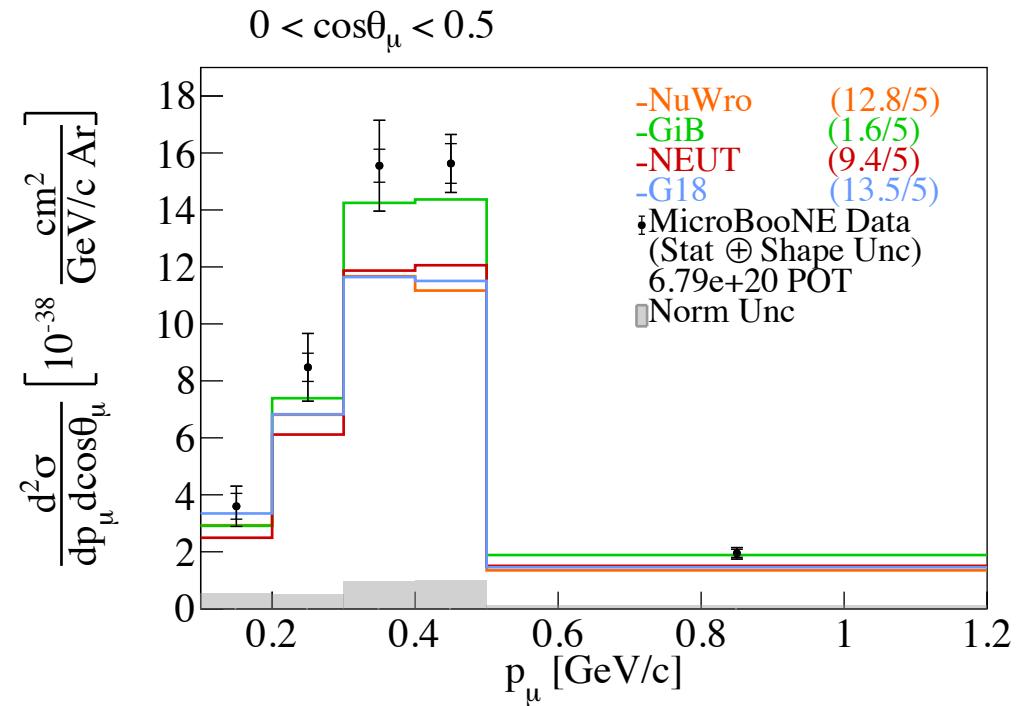
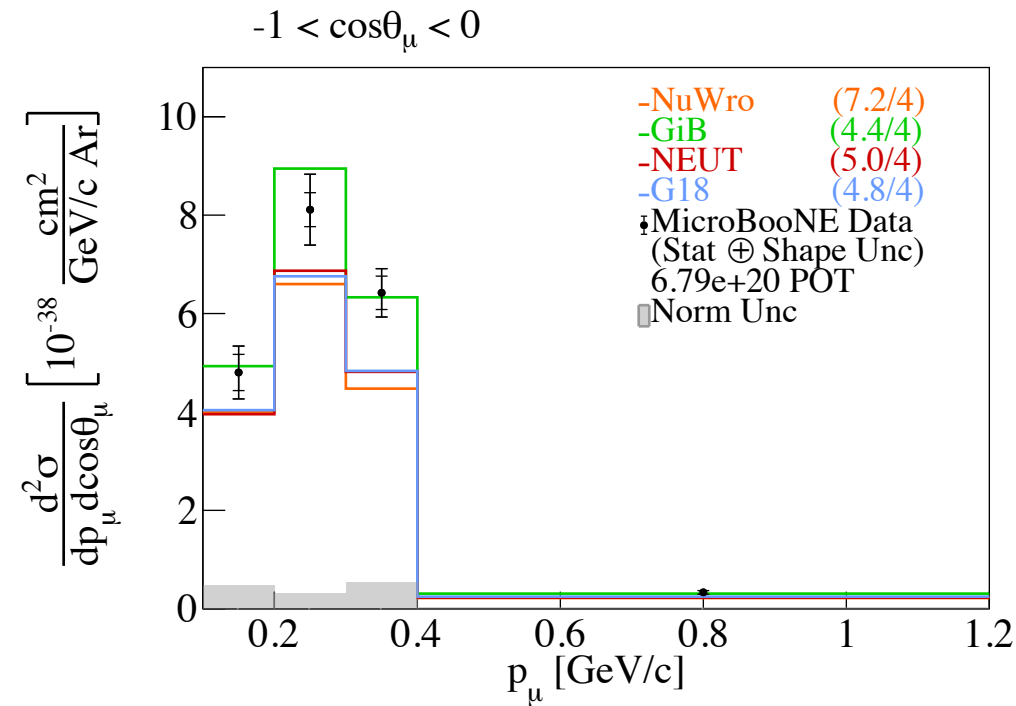
CCQE-like: New Results

$\nu + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \mu + p + {}^{39}\text{Ar}$
without additional kinematic cuts



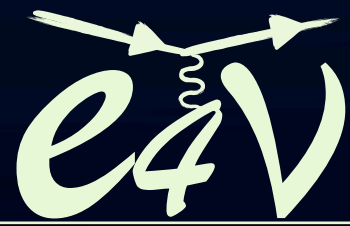
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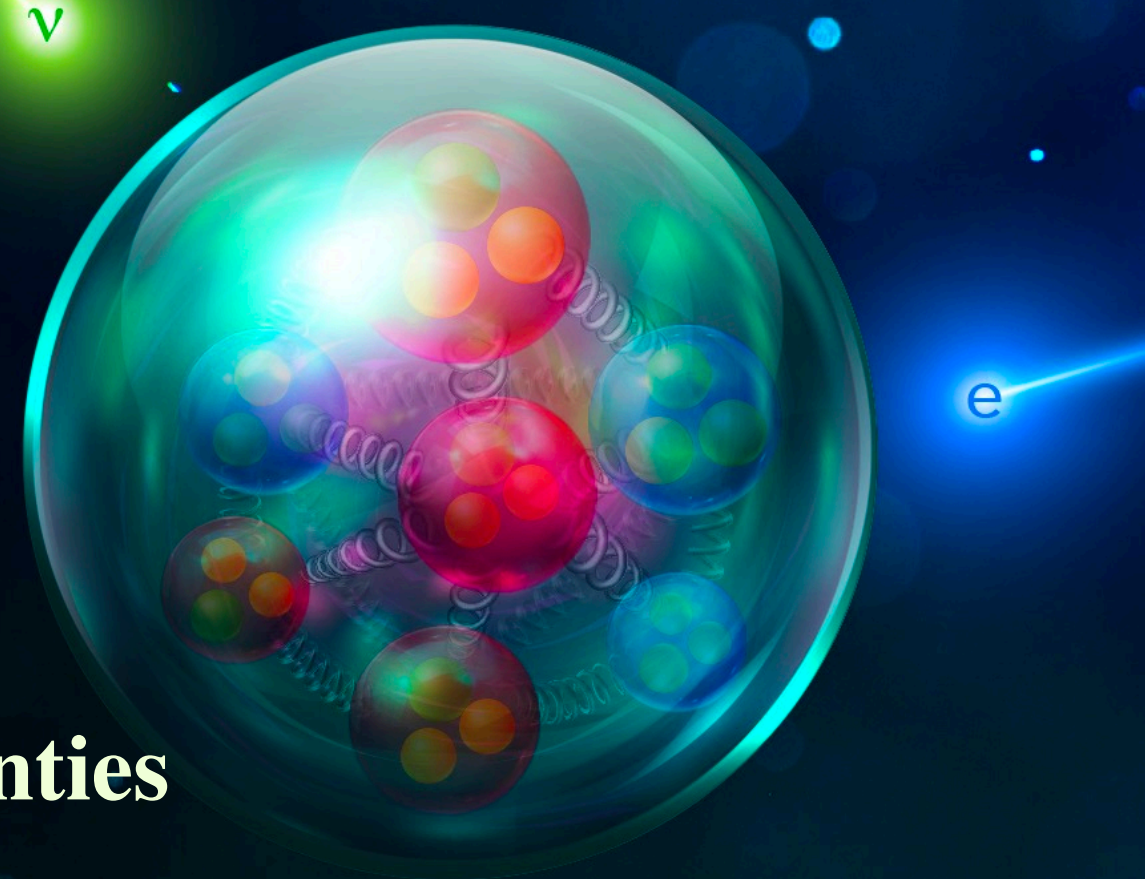


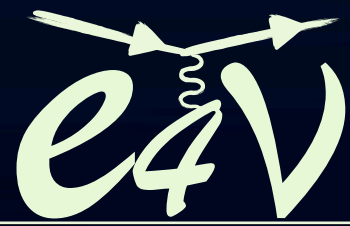
Why electrons?

Electrons and Neutrinos have:

- **Identical initial nuclear state**
- **Same Final State Interactions**
- **Similar interactions**
(vector vs. vector + axial)

Useful to constrain model uncertainties





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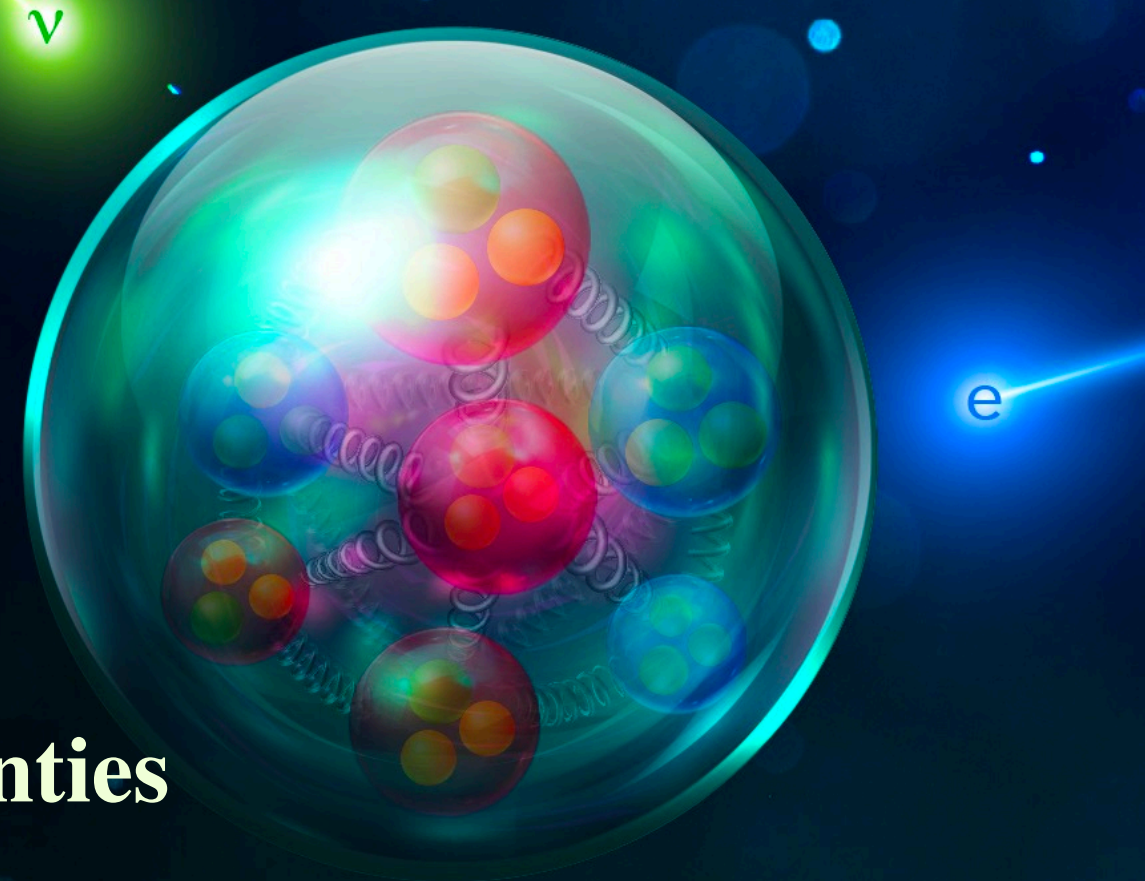
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Electron beams have known energies

Useful to test incoming energy reconstruction methods

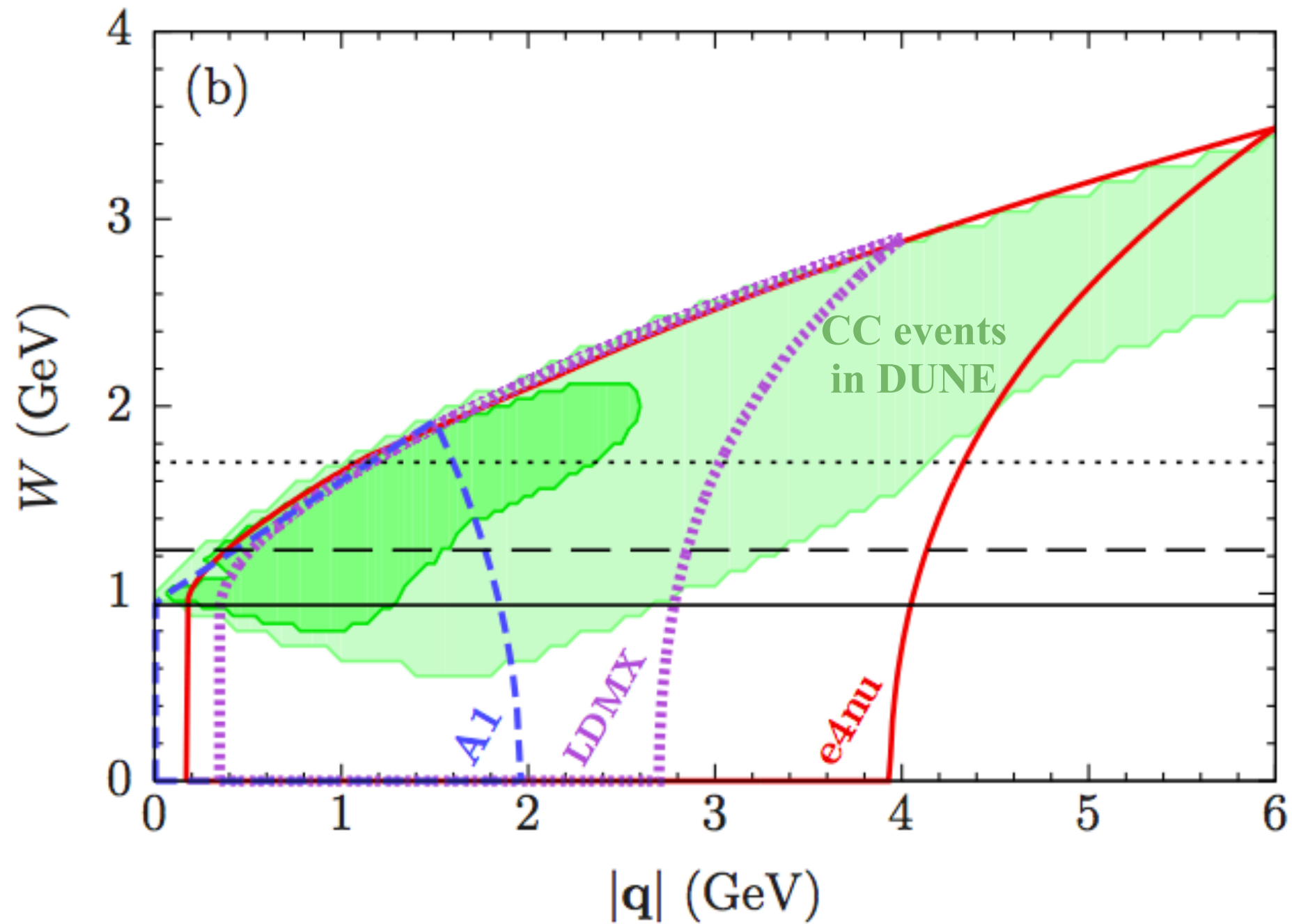


Complementary efforts

Collaborations	Kinematics	Targets	Scattering	Publications
E12-14-012 (JLab) (Data collected: 2017) 	$E_e = 2.222 \text{ GeV}$ $\theta_e = 15.5, 17.5, 20.0, 21.5$ $\theta_p = -39.0, -44.0, -44.5, -47.0, -50.0$	Ar, Ti Al, C	(e, e') $(e, e'p)$	Phys. Rev. C 99 , 054608 Phys.Rev.D 105 112002
e4nu/CLAS (JLab) (Data collected: 1999, 2022) 	$E_e = 1, 2, 4, 6 \text{ GeV}$ $\theta_e > 5$	H, D, He, C, Ar, ^{40}Ca , ^{48}Ca , Fe, Sn	(e, e') e, p, n, π, γ in the final state	Nature 599 , 565 Phys.Rev.D 103 113003
A1 (MAMI) (Data collected:2020) (More data planned) 	$E_e = 1.6 \text{ GeV}$	H, D, He C, O, Al Ca, Ar, Xe	(e, e') 2 additional charged particles	
LDMX (SLAC) (Planned) 	$E_e = 4.0 \text{ GeV}$ $\theta_e < 40$		(e, e') e, p, n, π in the final state	
eALBA (Planned) 	$E_e = 500 \text{ MeV}$ - few GeV	C, CH Be, Ca	(e, e')	

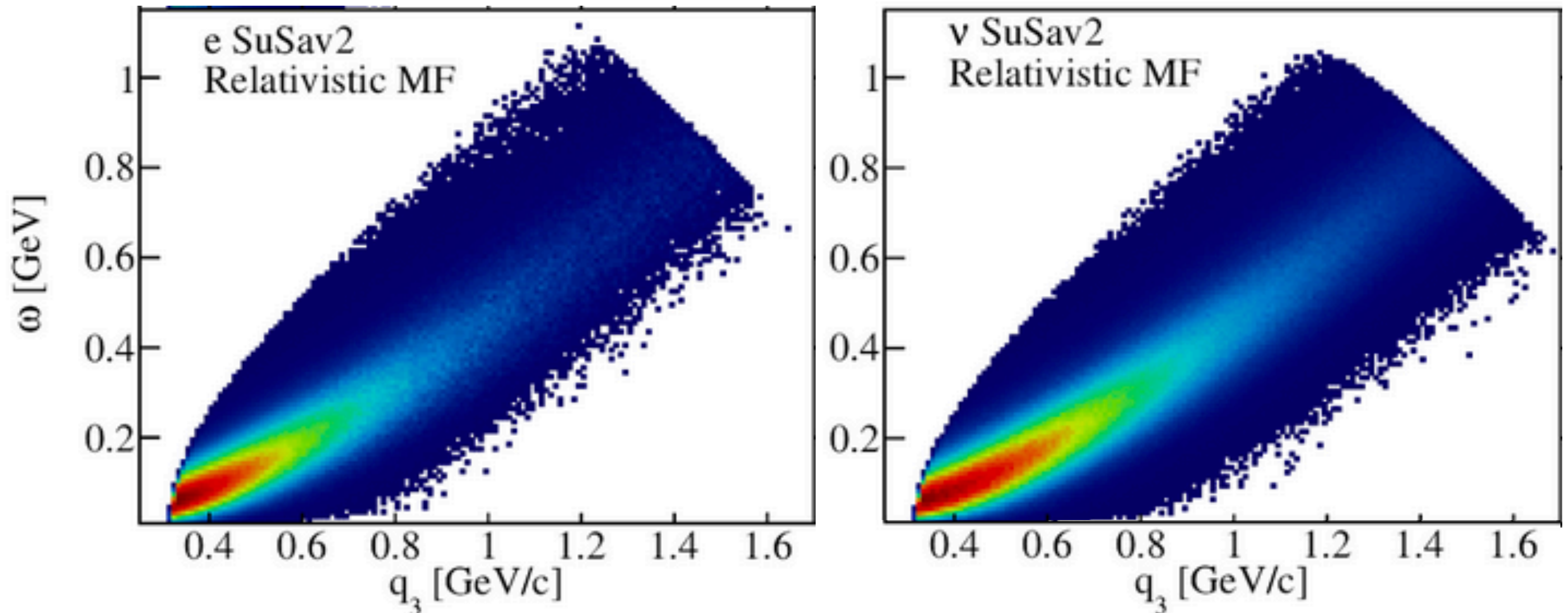
Adaptation from Proceedings of the US Community Snowmass2021
[arXiv:2203.06853v1 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.06853v1)

e4nu and DUNE

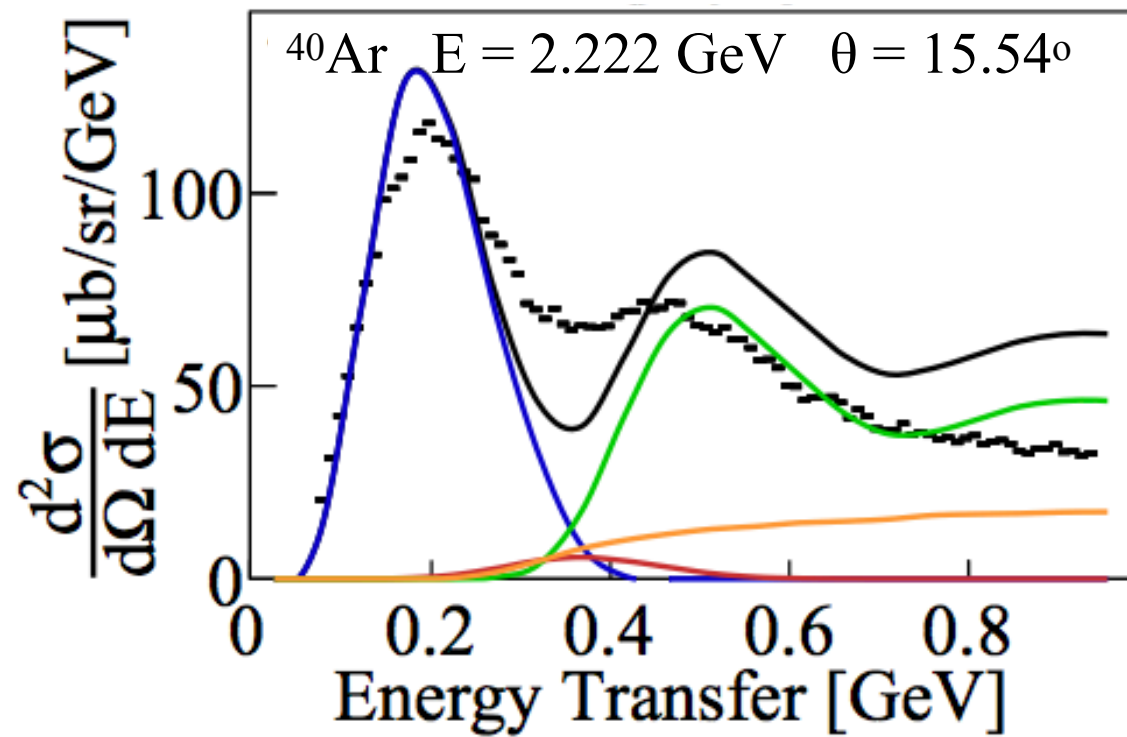


Similar eA and ν A Cross sections

Test on $1p0\pi$ event selection



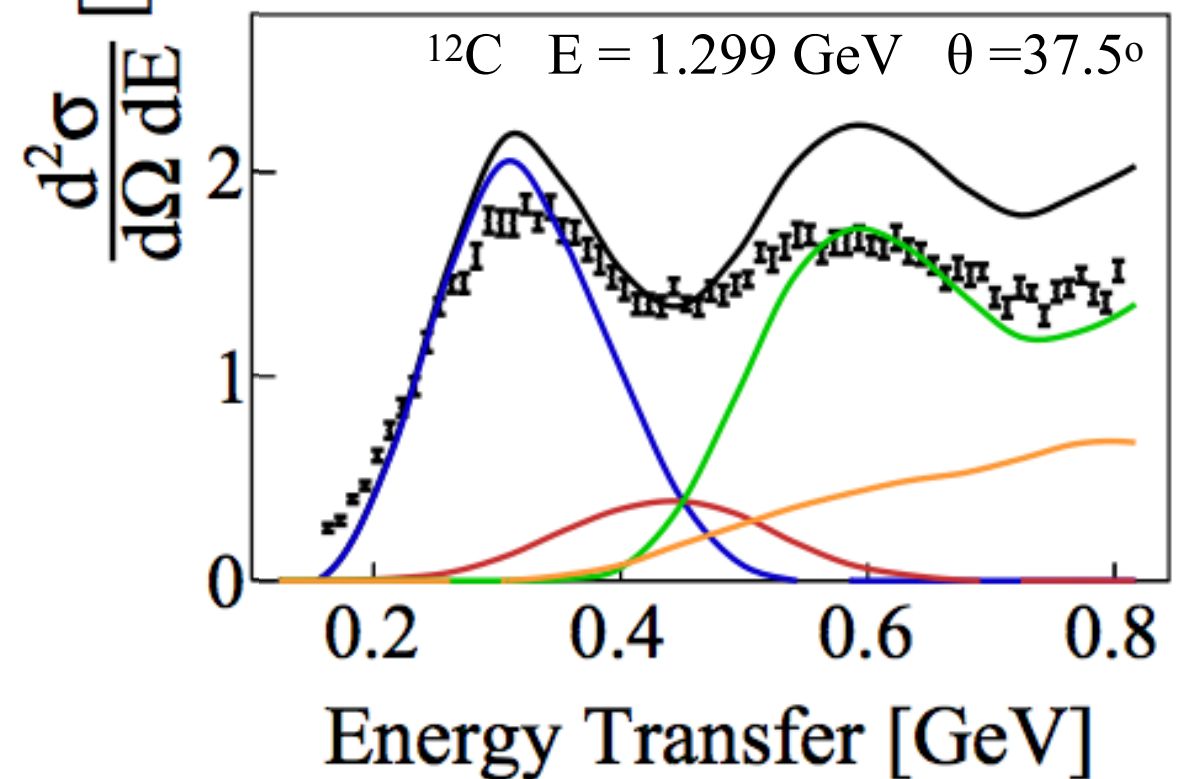
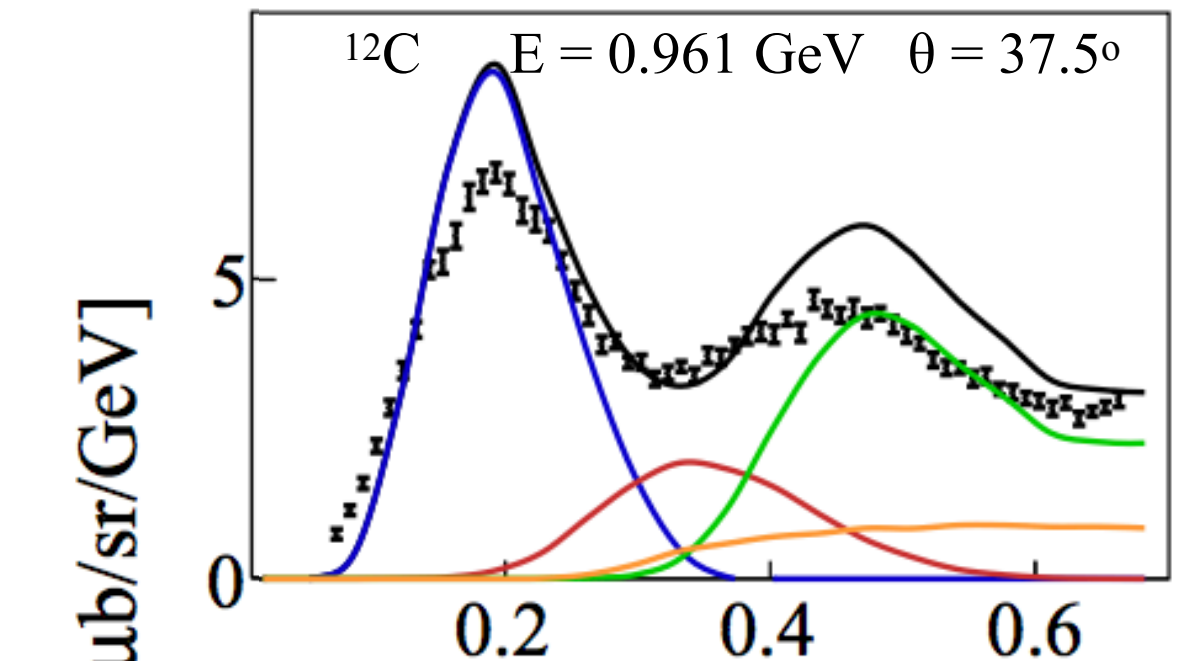
Inclusive e data and generators



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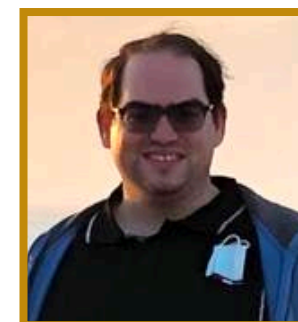
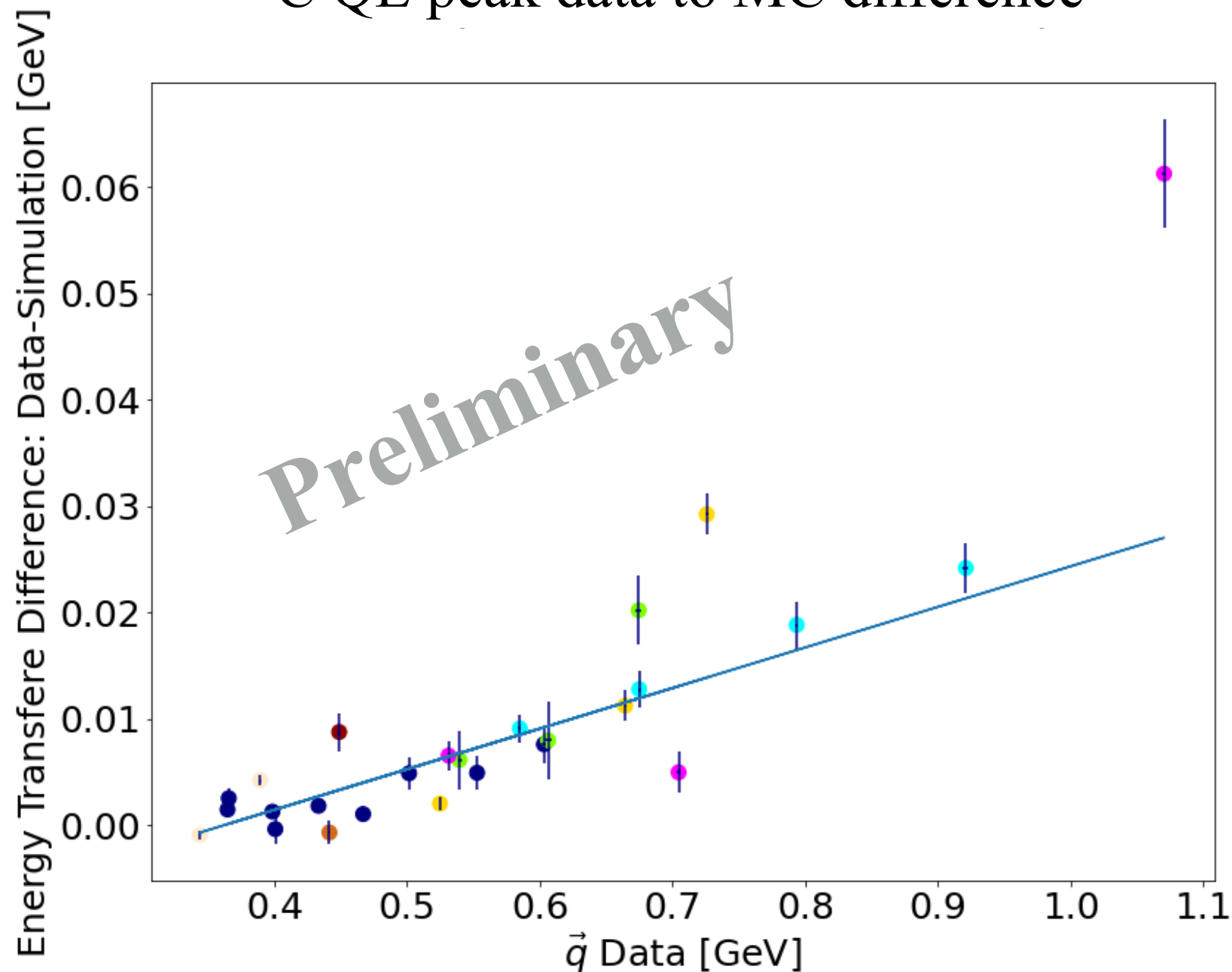
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Improving Models

Testing Binding Energy Using Inclusive Data

^{12}C QE peak data to MC difference



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CLAS Detector

Electron beam with energies up to 6 GeV

Large acceptance

Charged particles above detection

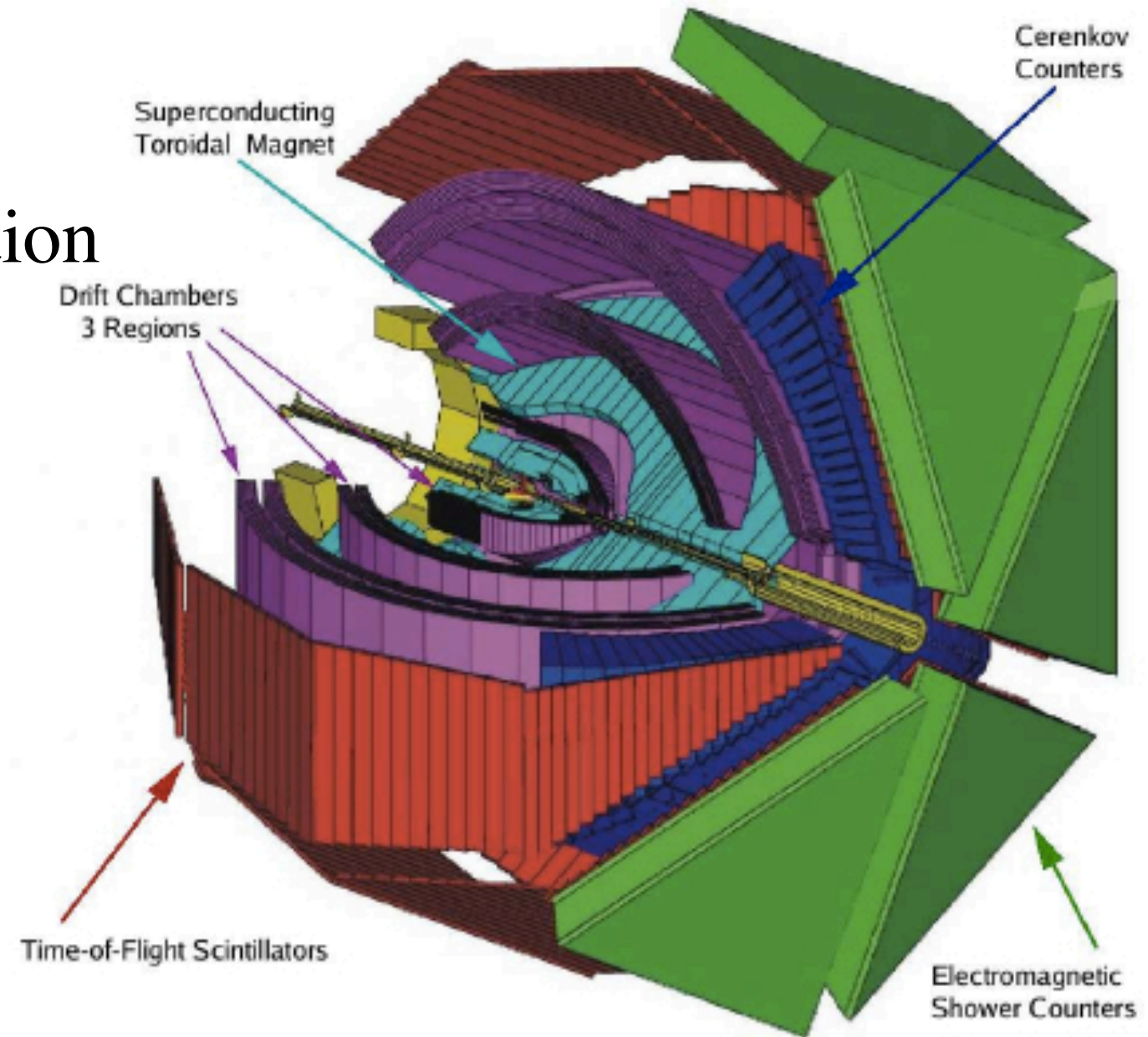
threshold:

300 MeV/c for p

150 MeV/c for $P_{\pi^{+/-}}$




500 MeV/c for P_{π^0}

Open Trigger

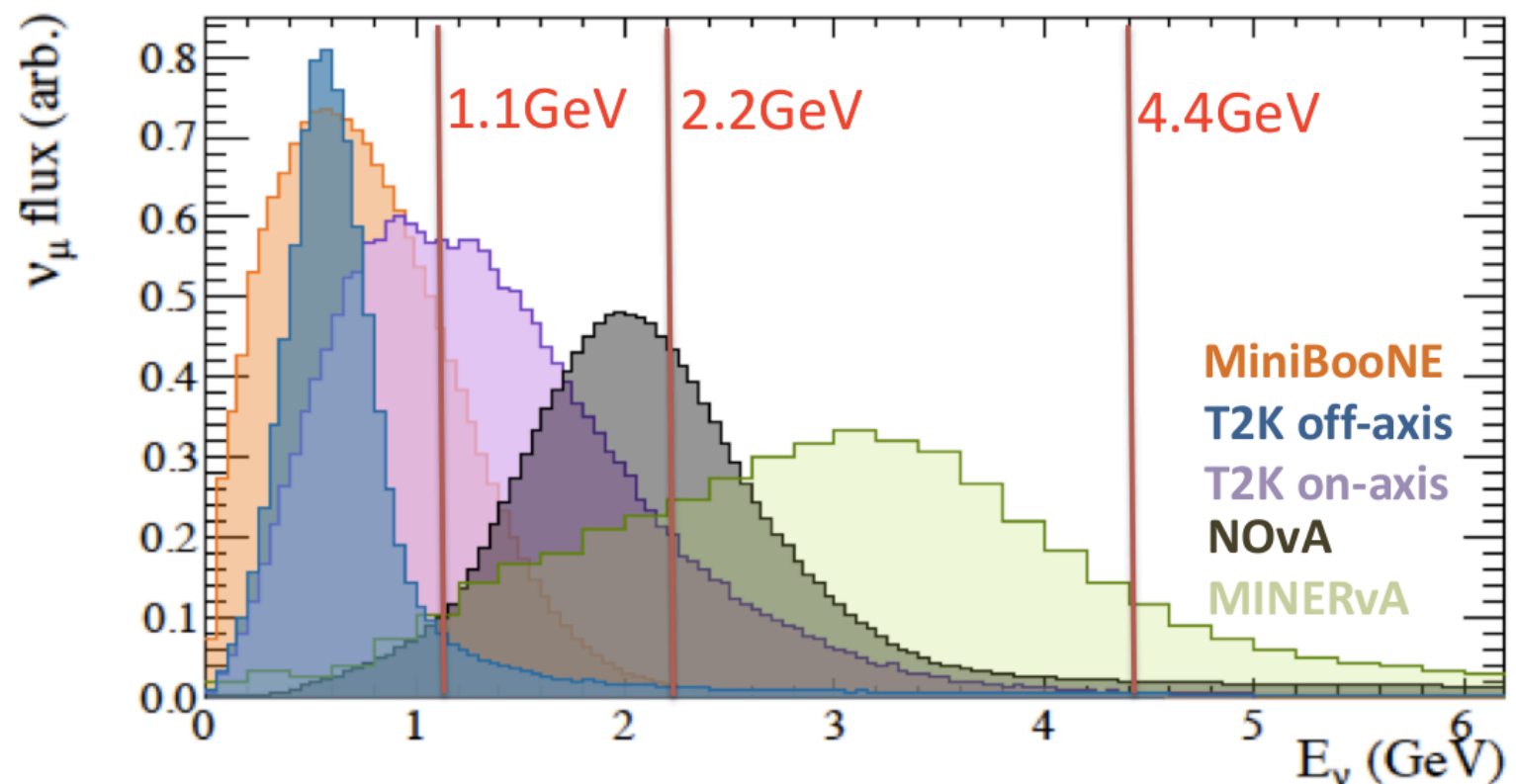


CLAS A(e,e'p) Data E2a

First test of neutrino energy reconstruction with exclusive data!

- Targets: ^4He , ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe  (H₂O),  (CH),  (Ar)

- Energies:
1.1, 2.2, 4.4 GeV



$e4V$ 1p0 π Event Selection

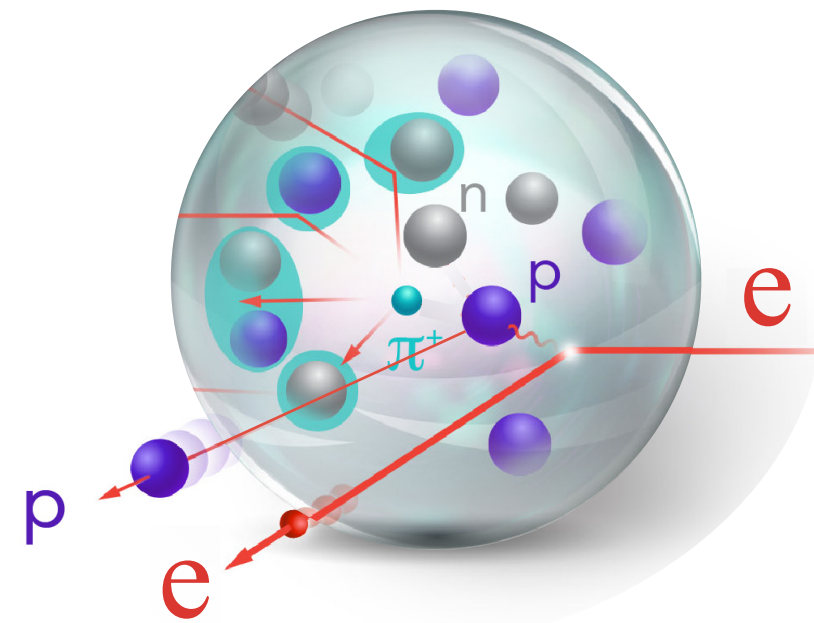
Focus on Quasi Elastic events:

1 proton above 300 MeV/c

no additional hadrons above detection threshold:

150 MeV/c for $P_{\pi^{+/-}}$

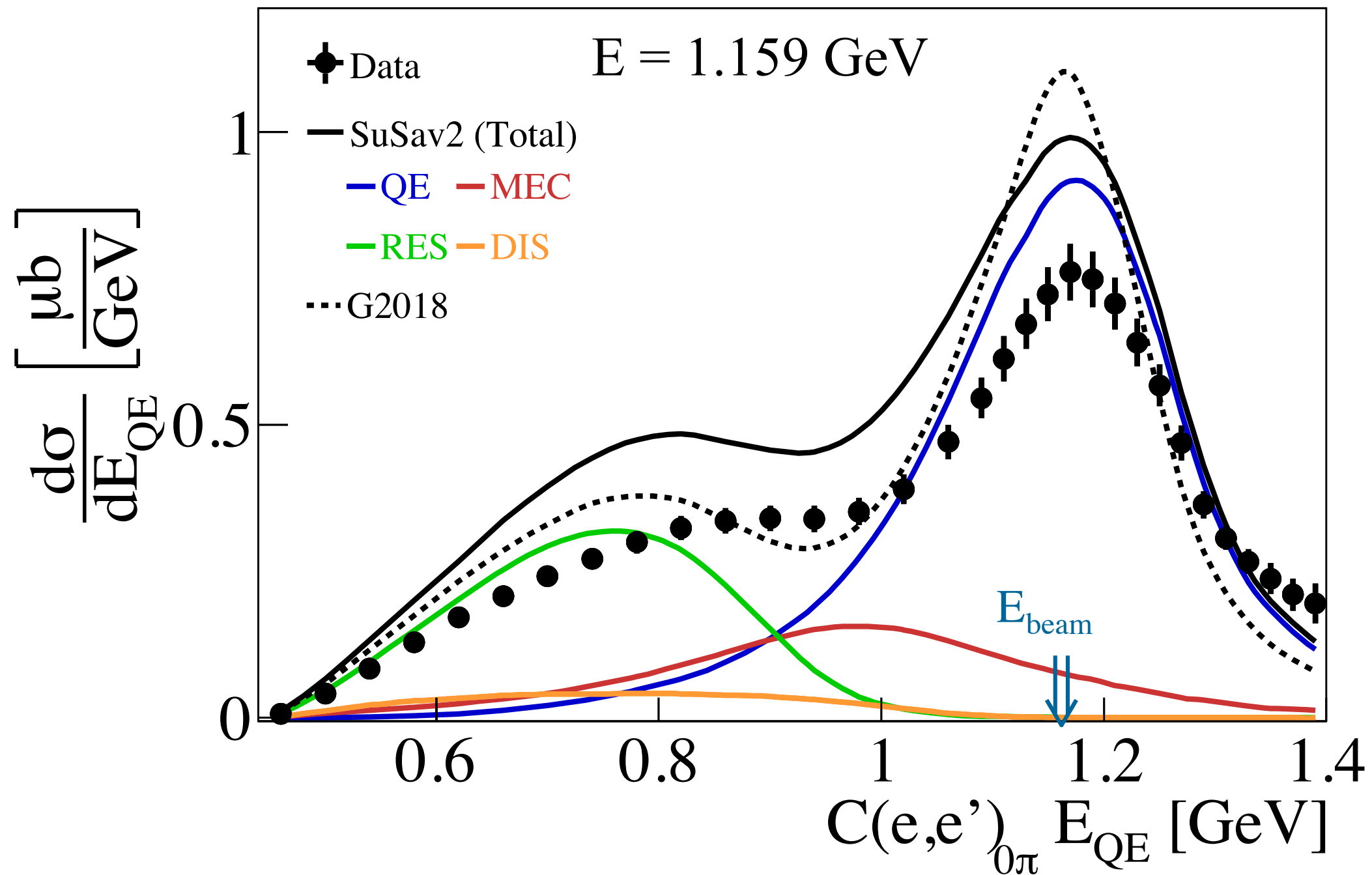
500 MeV/c for P_{π^0}





Data

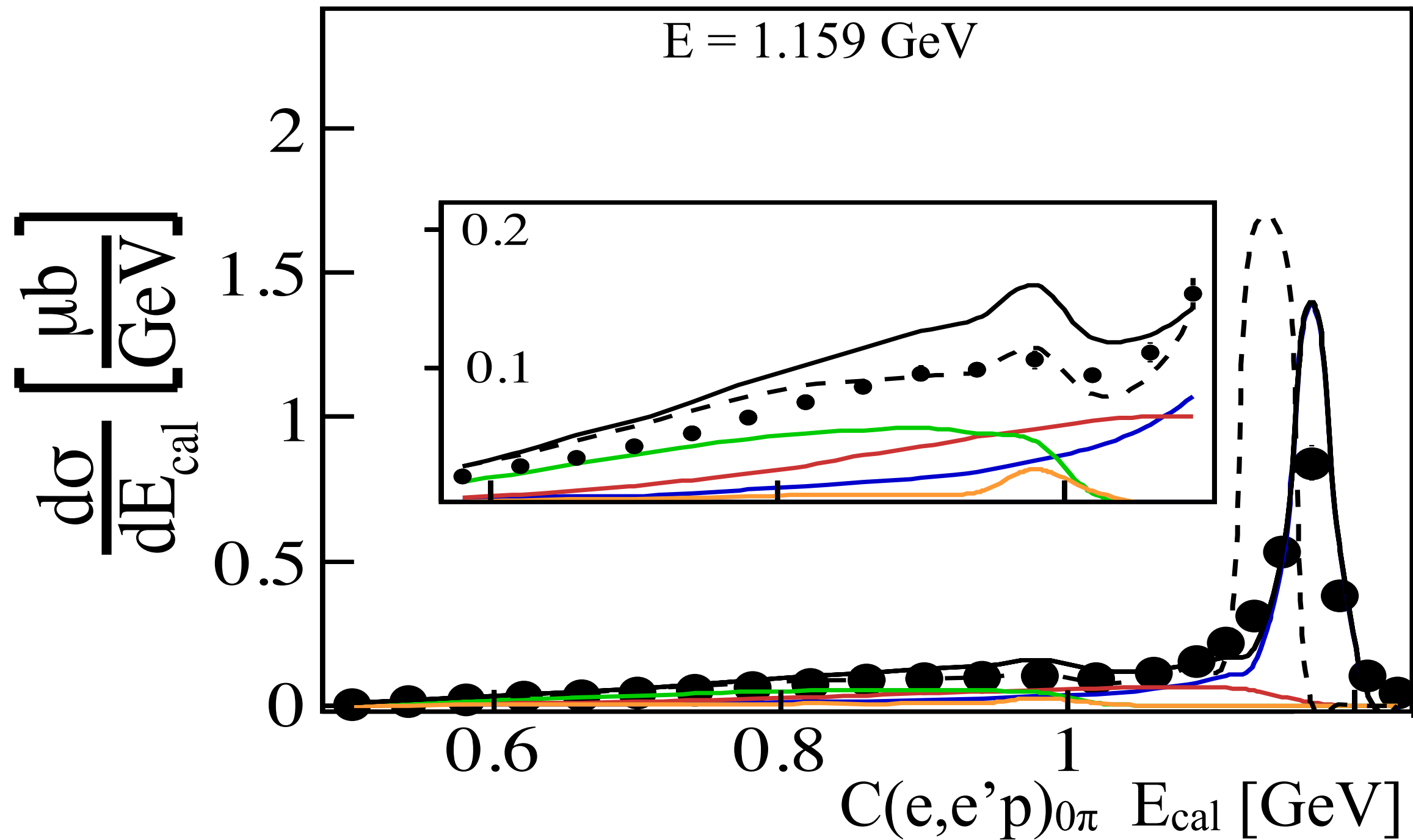
Inclusive Energy Reconstruction



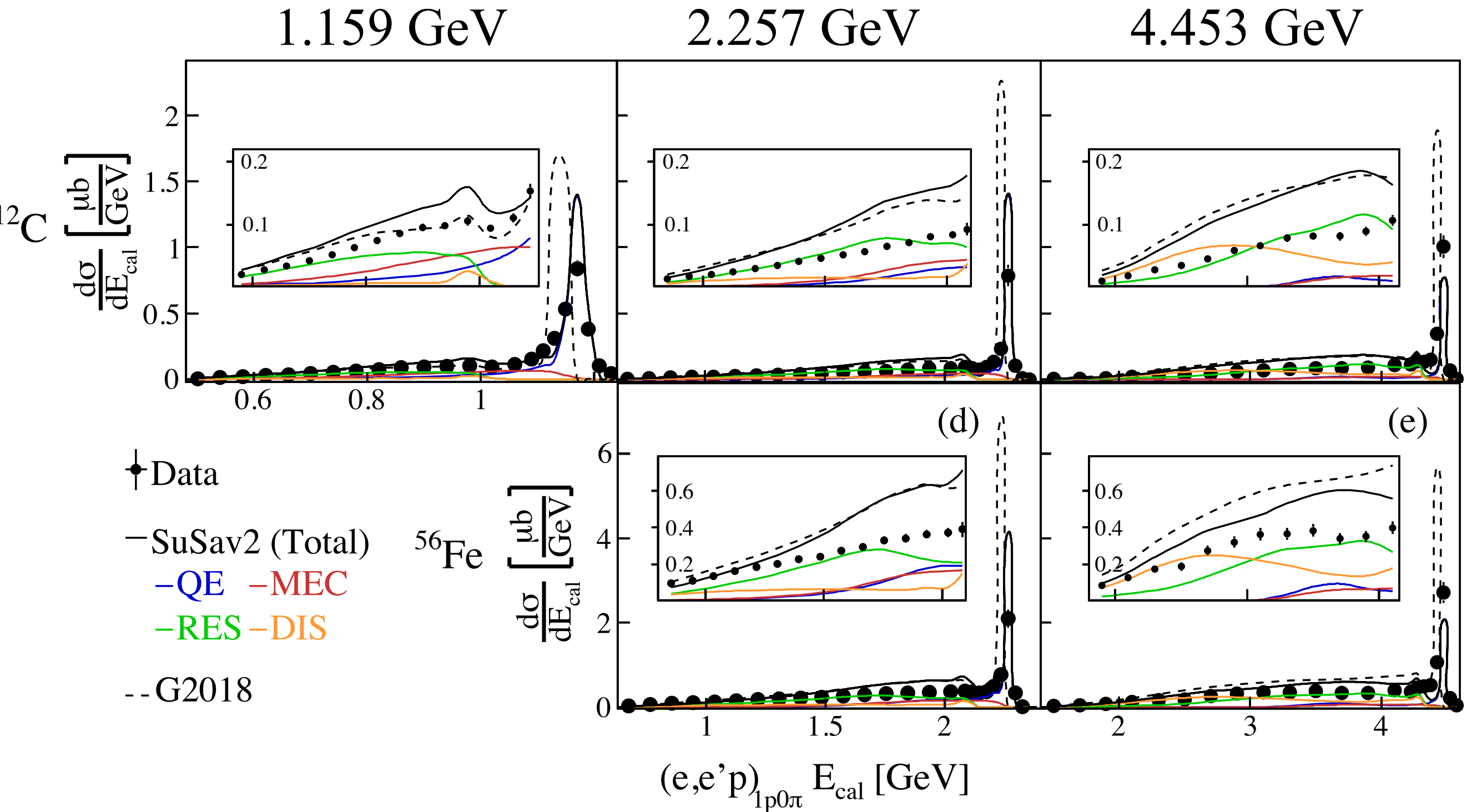
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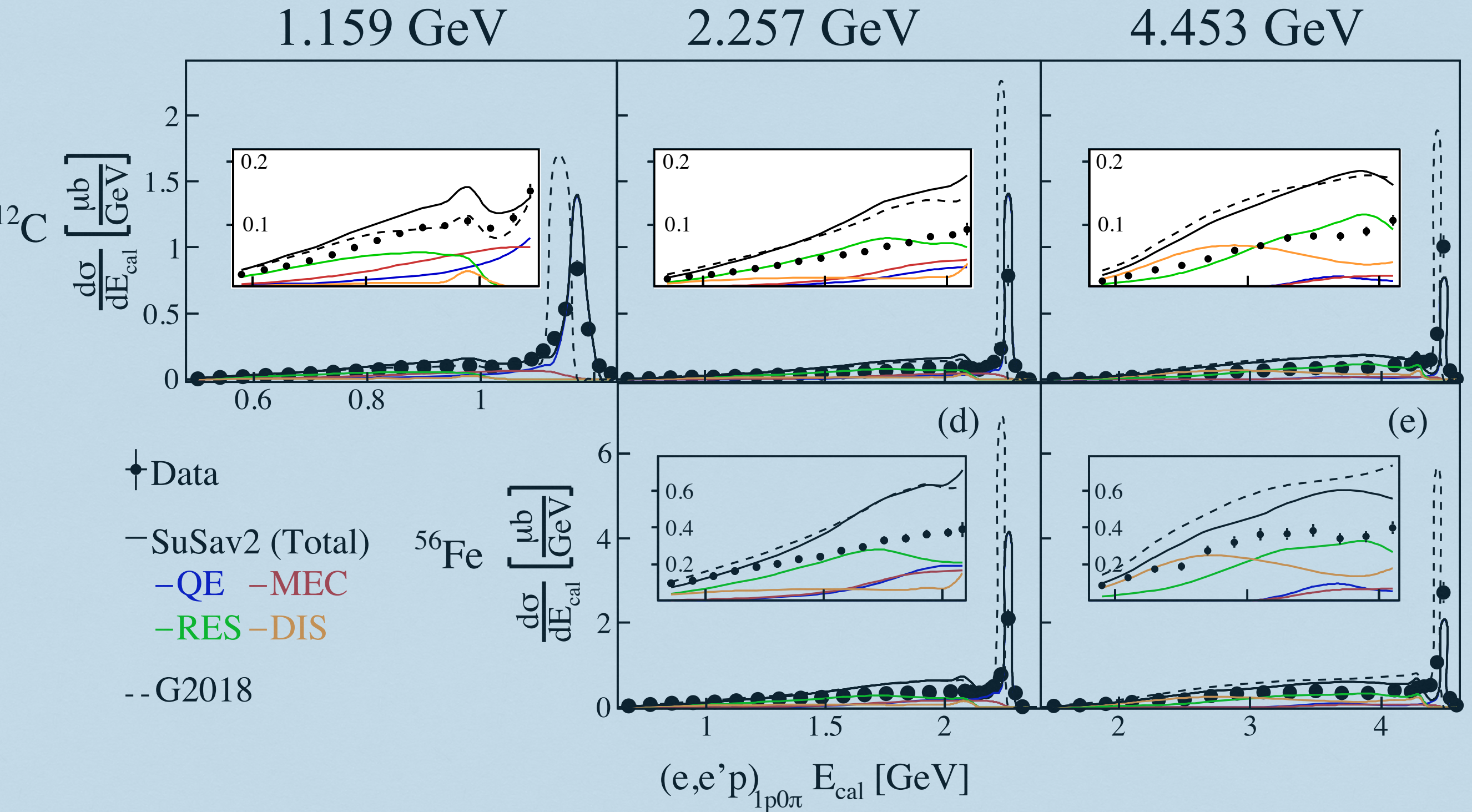
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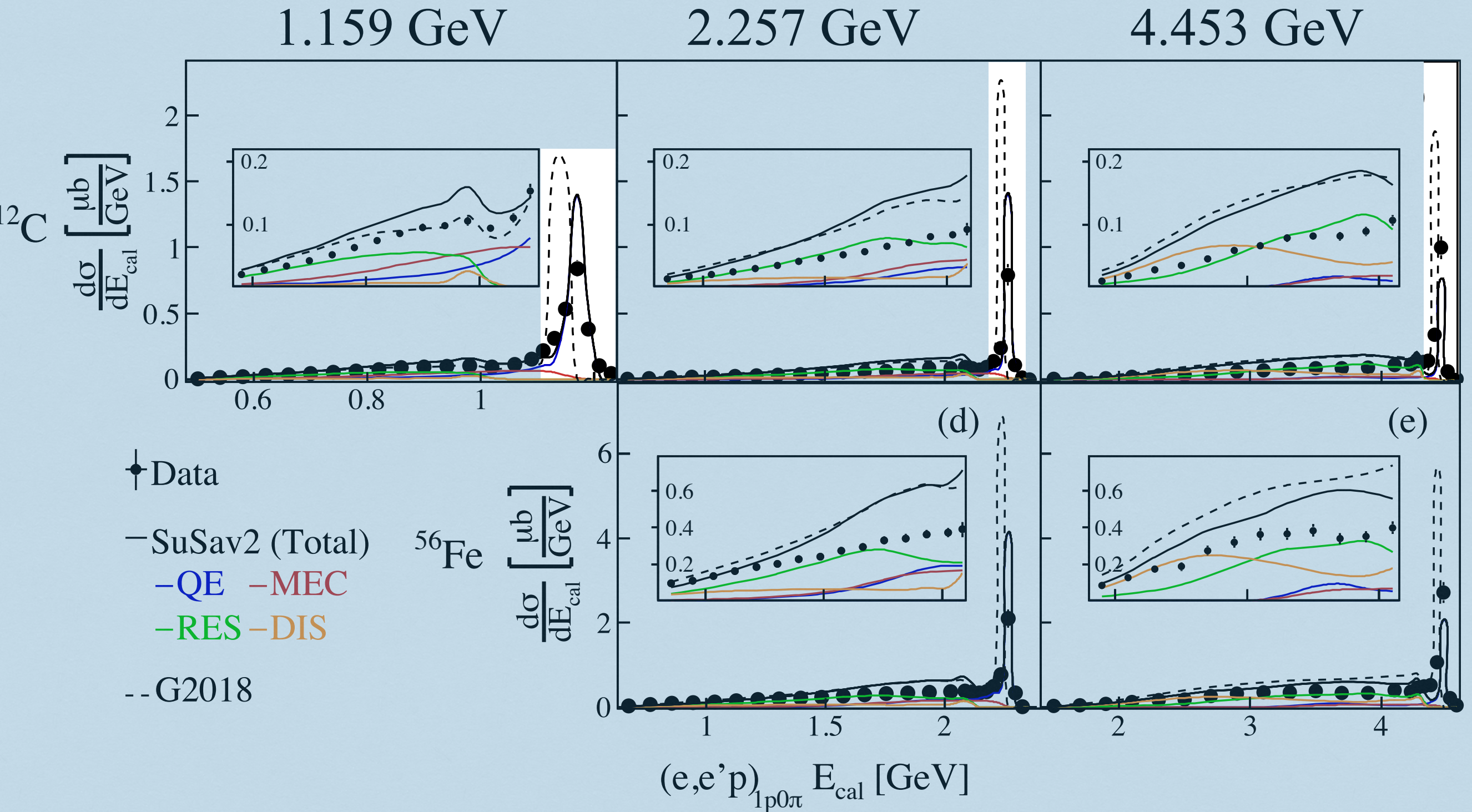
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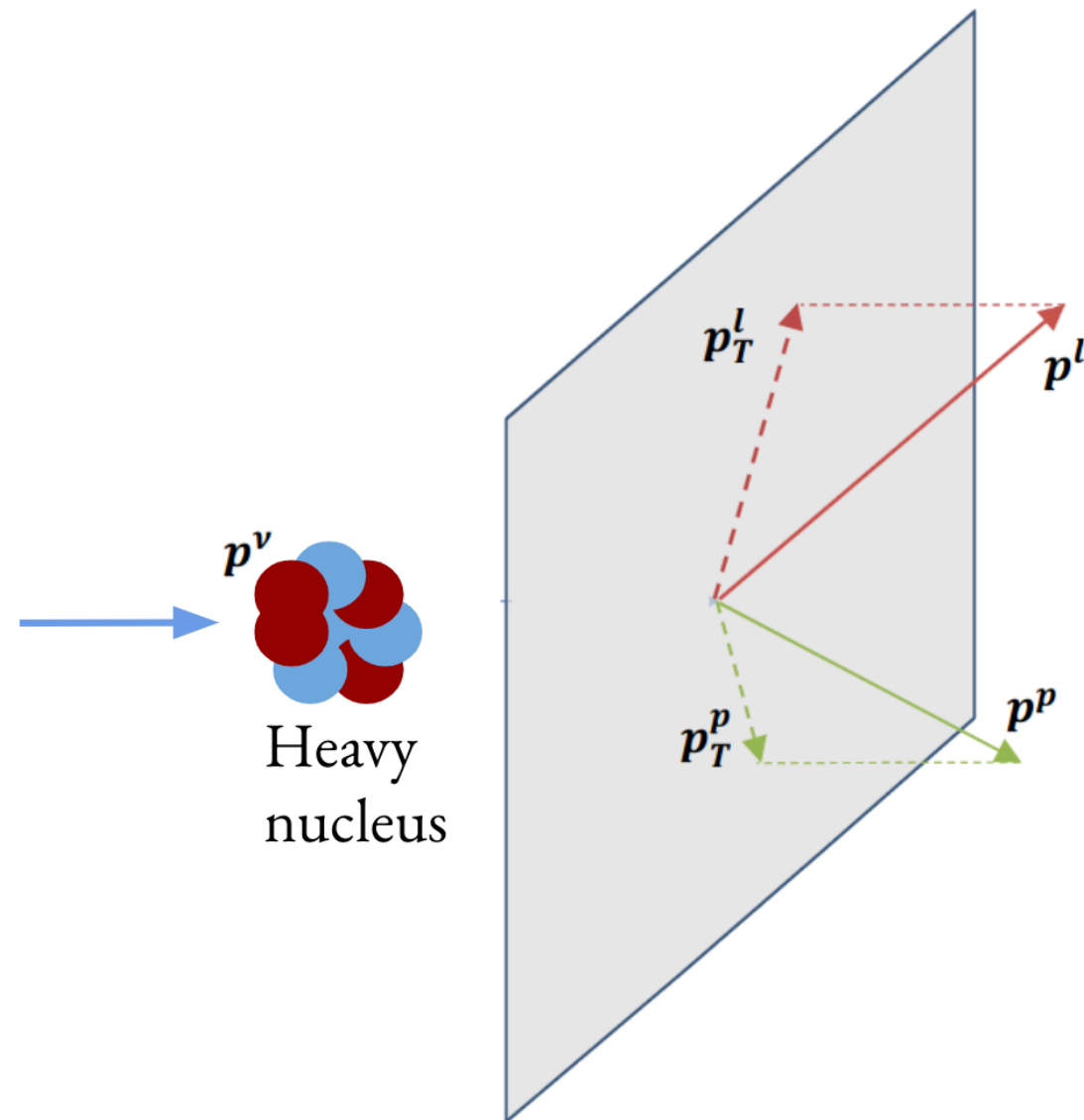


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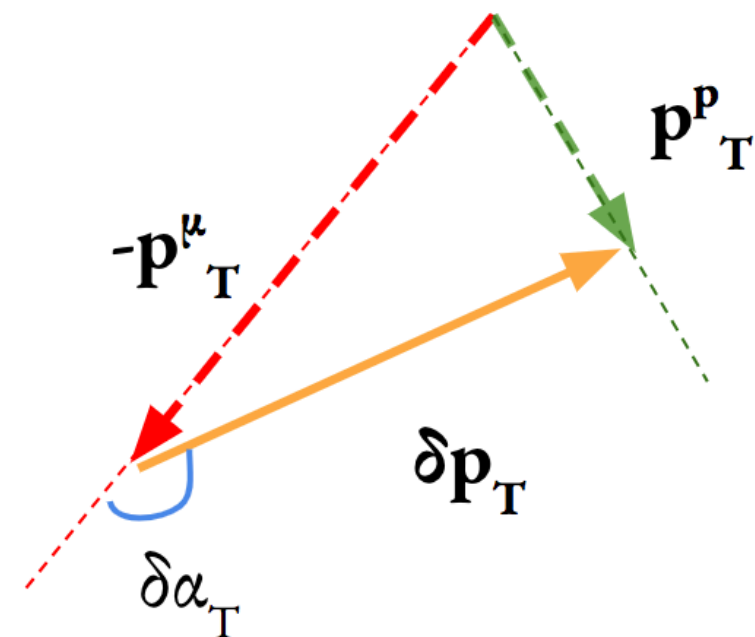
Focusing on different reaction mechanisms

Standard Transverse Variables



$$\vec{P}_T = \vec{P}_T^{e'} + \vec{P}_T^p$$

Sensitive to
hit nucleon momentum

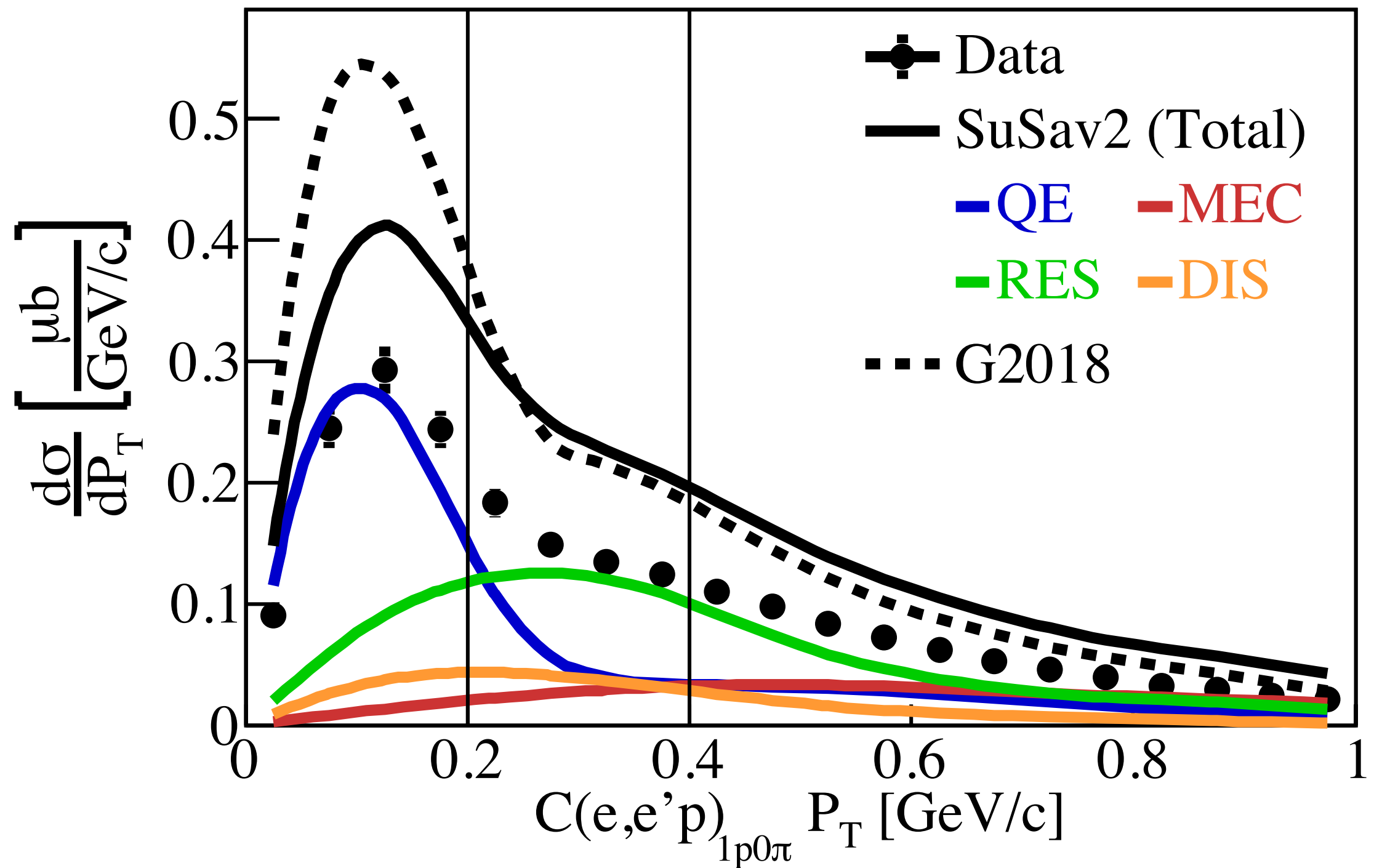


$$\delta \alpha_T$$

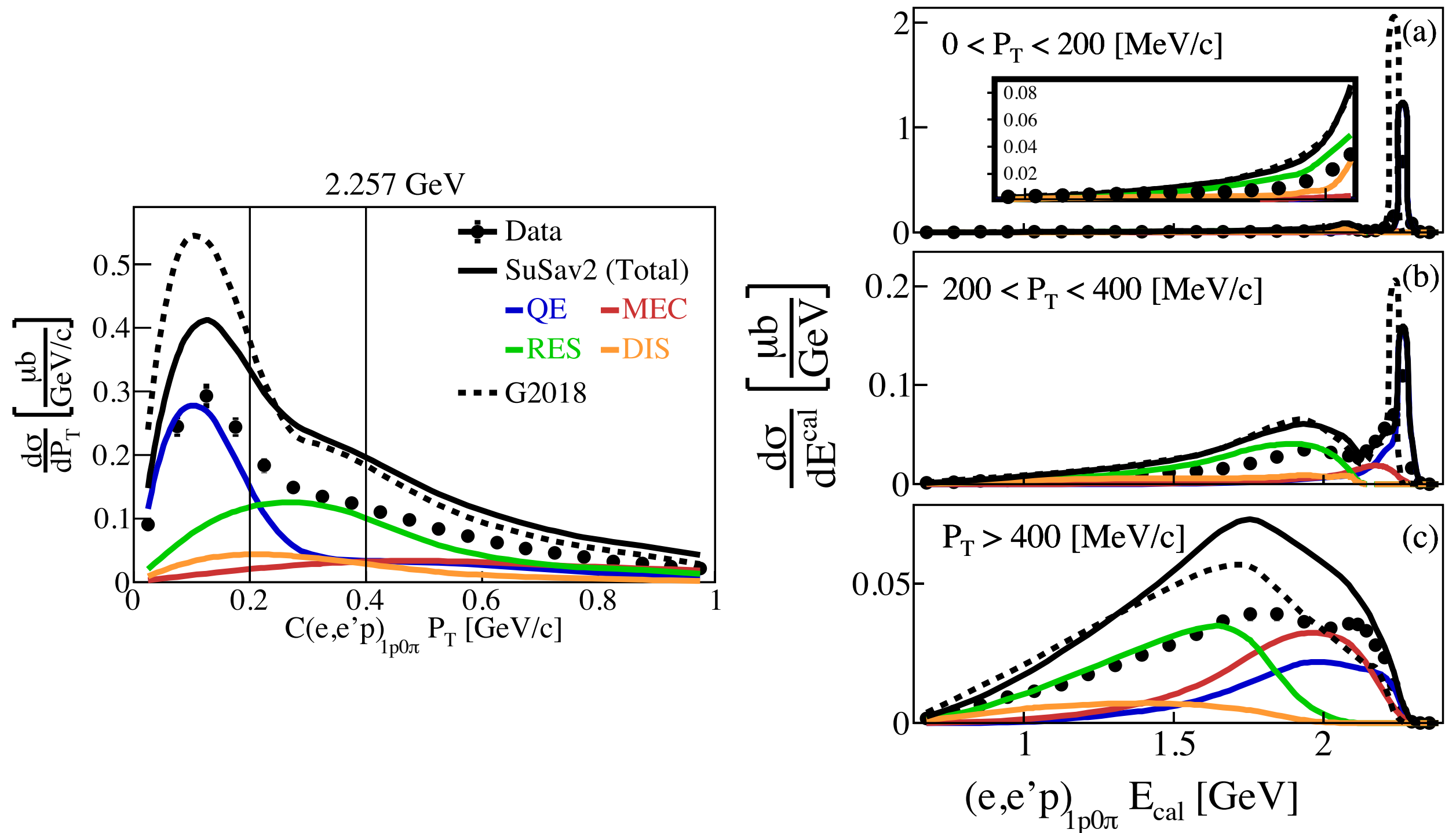
Sensitive to
Final State Interactions

Transverse missing momentum

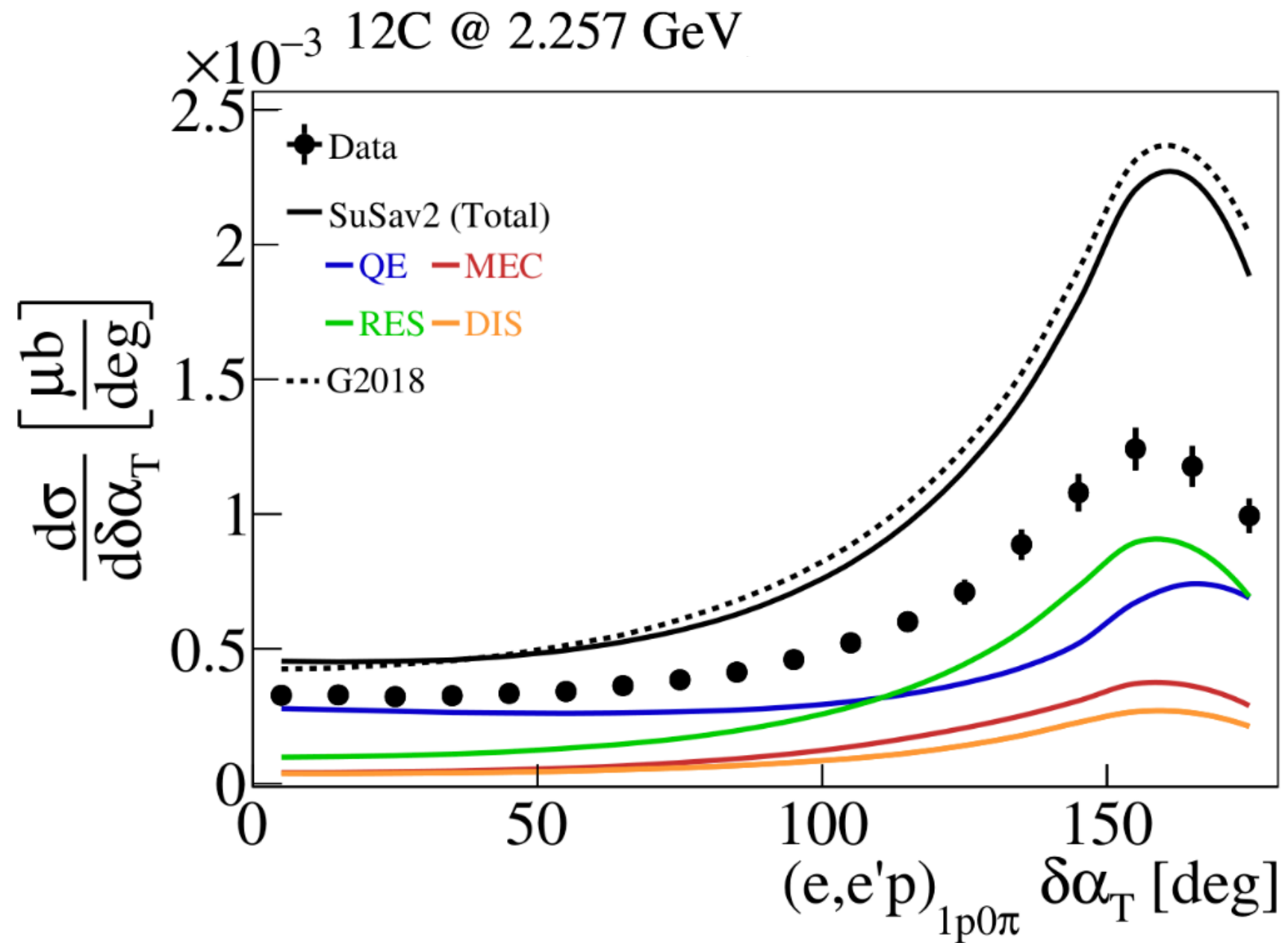
2.257 GeV



p_T sensitivity to interaction mechanisms



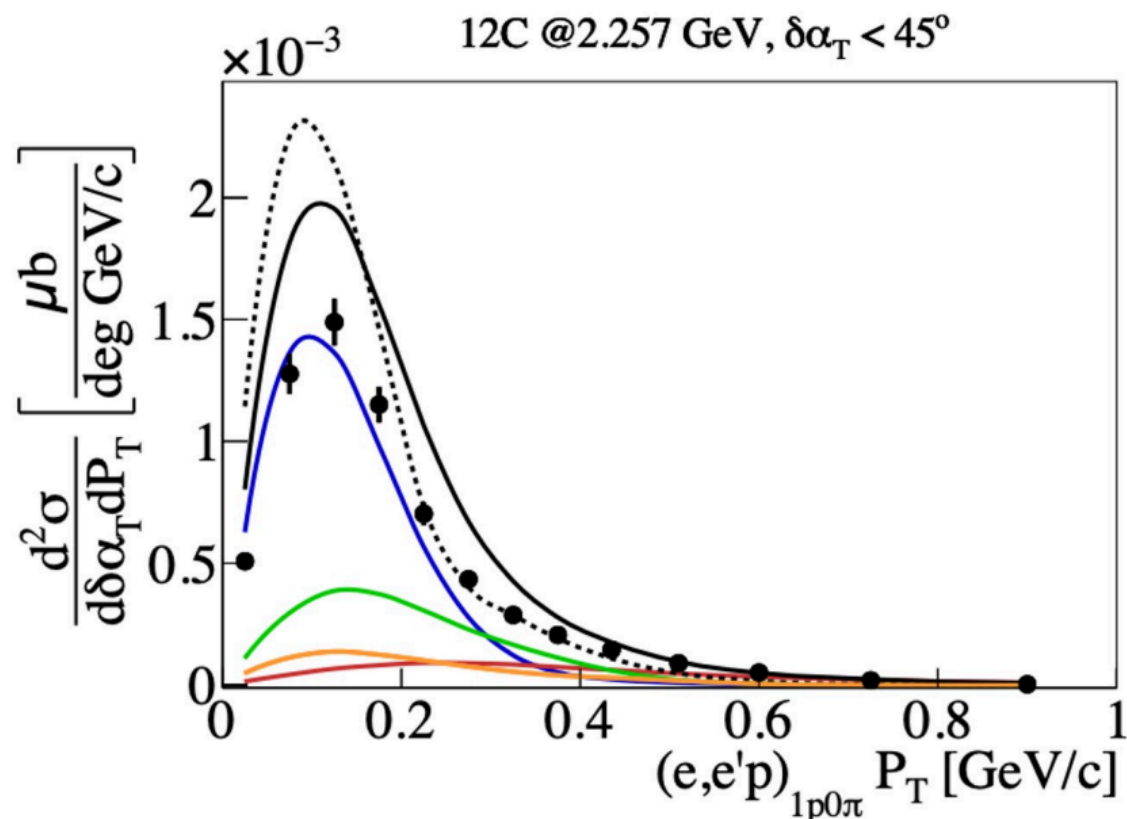
Transverse Kinematic Variables - $\delta\alpha_T$



MC vs. (e,e'p) Transverse Variables

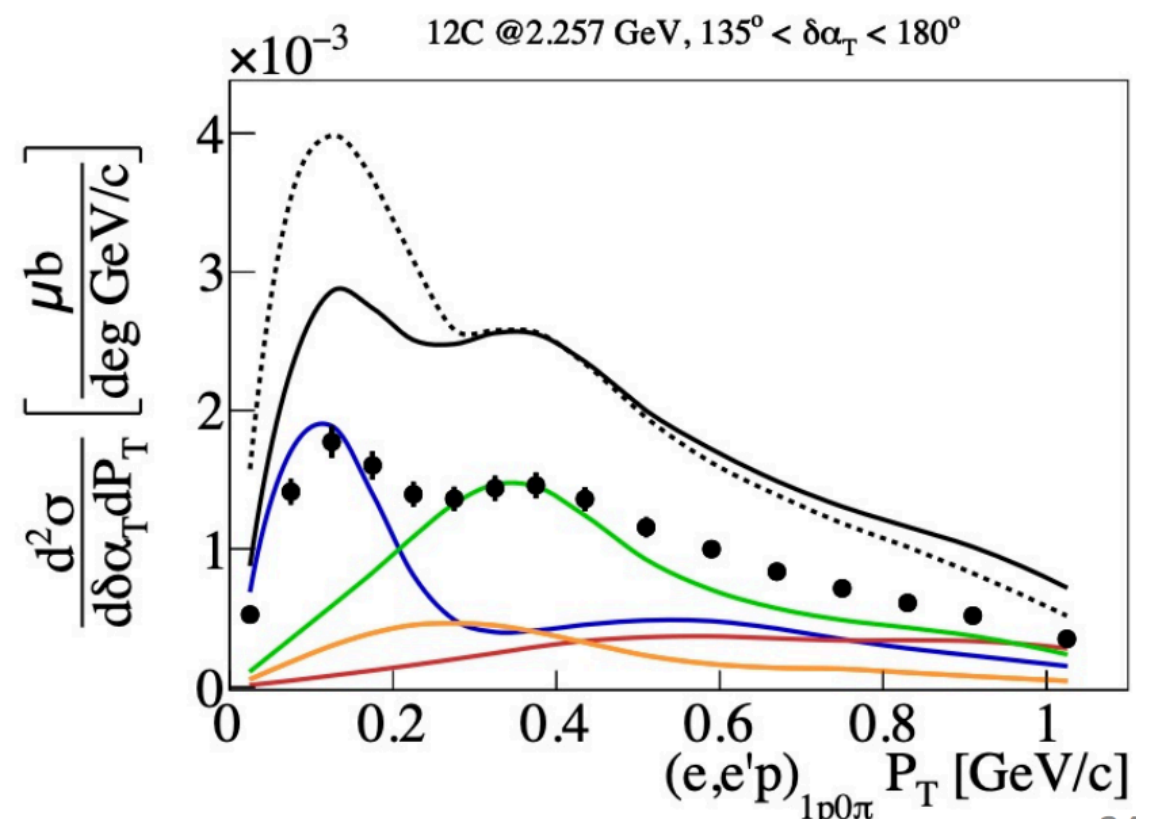
Low $\alpha_T < 45^\circ$

QE enhanced region



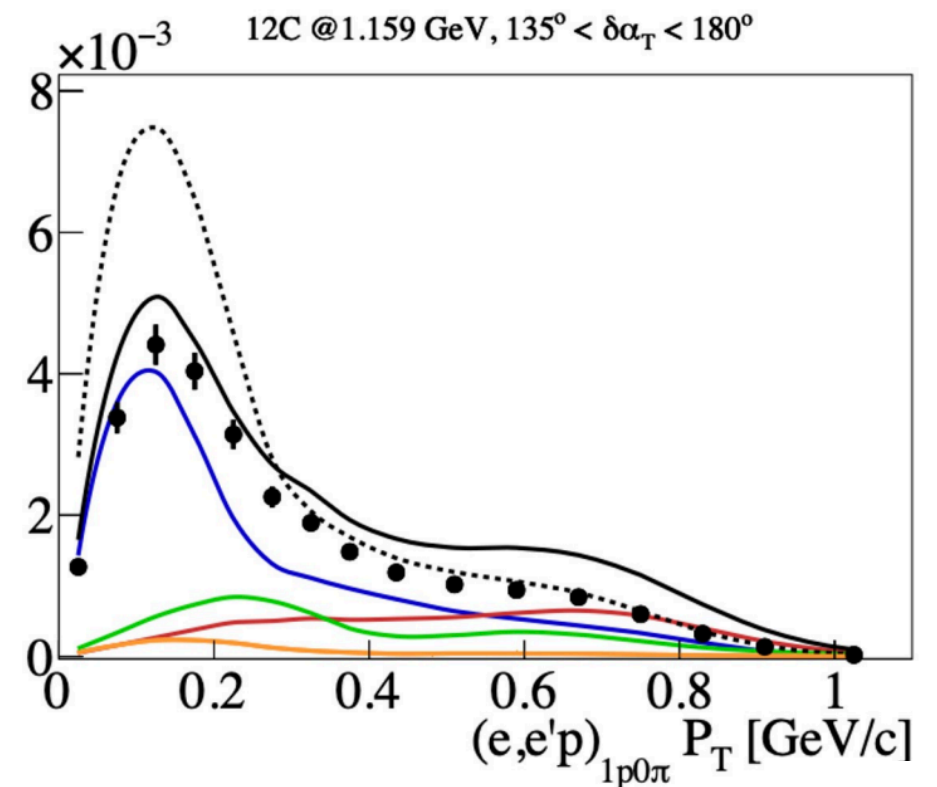
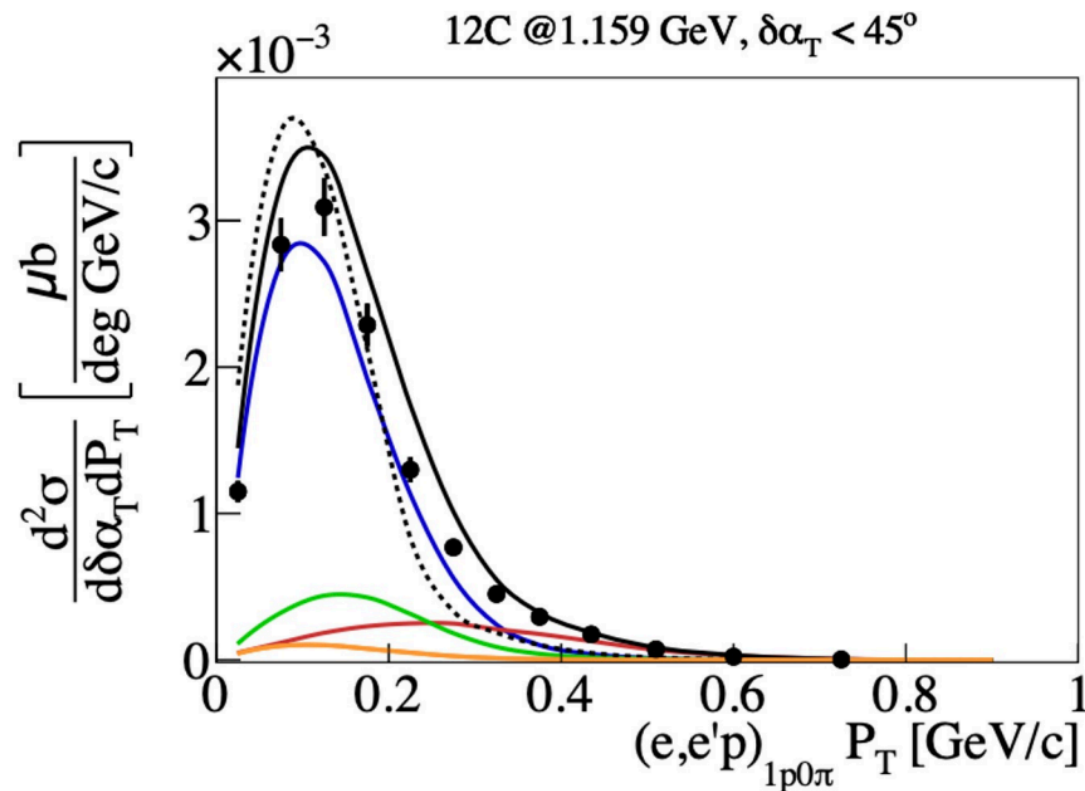
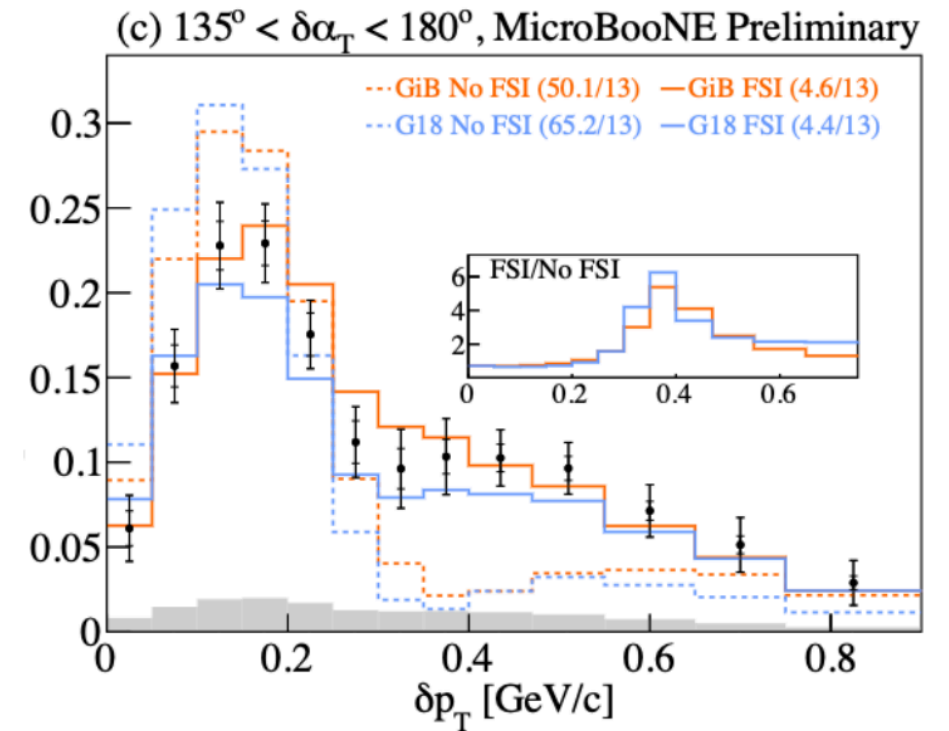
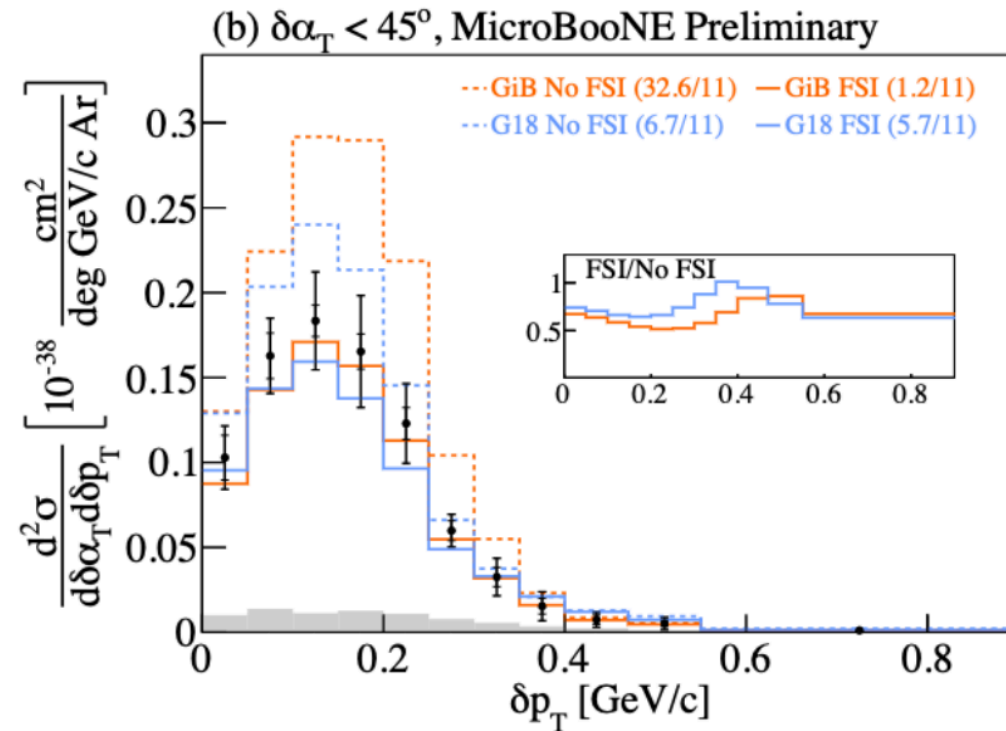
High $135^\circ < \alpha_T < 180^\circ$

Non QE contributions



A. Papadopoulou et al. in preparation

MC vs. (e,e'p) Transverse Variables



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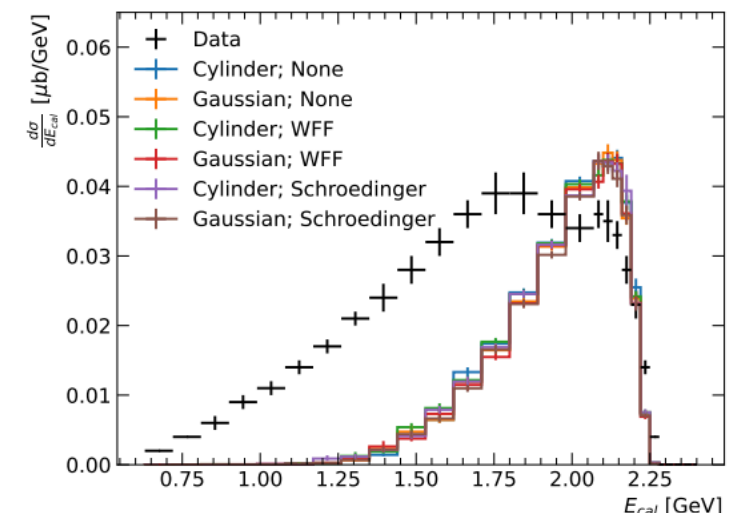
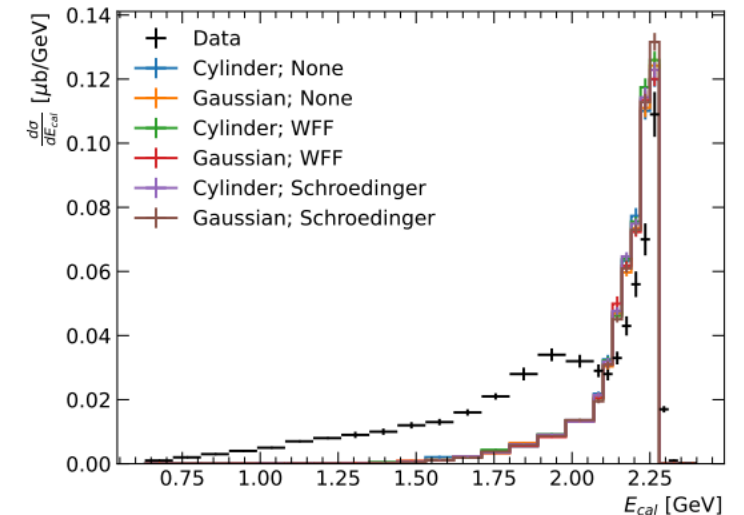
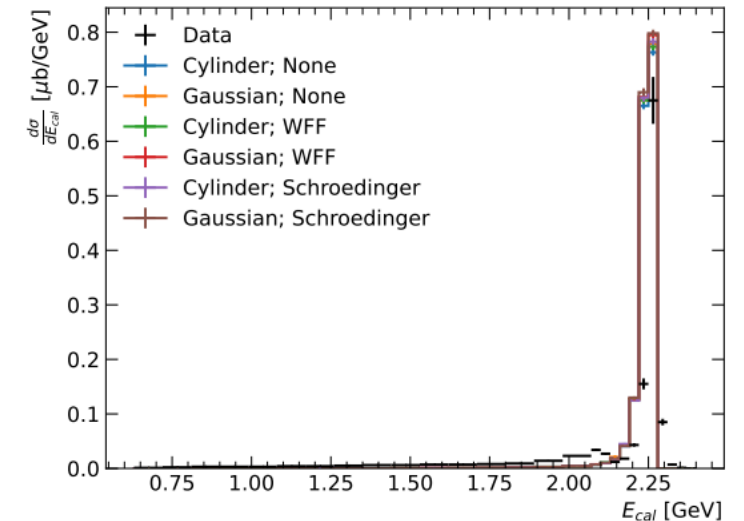
$e4\nu$ Impact on the neutrino community

Published data available
@ www.e4nu.com

Benchmarking new
models and generators

exp. ACCHILES

Isaacson, Jay, Lovato, Machado, and Rocco
arXiv: 2205.06378 (2022)



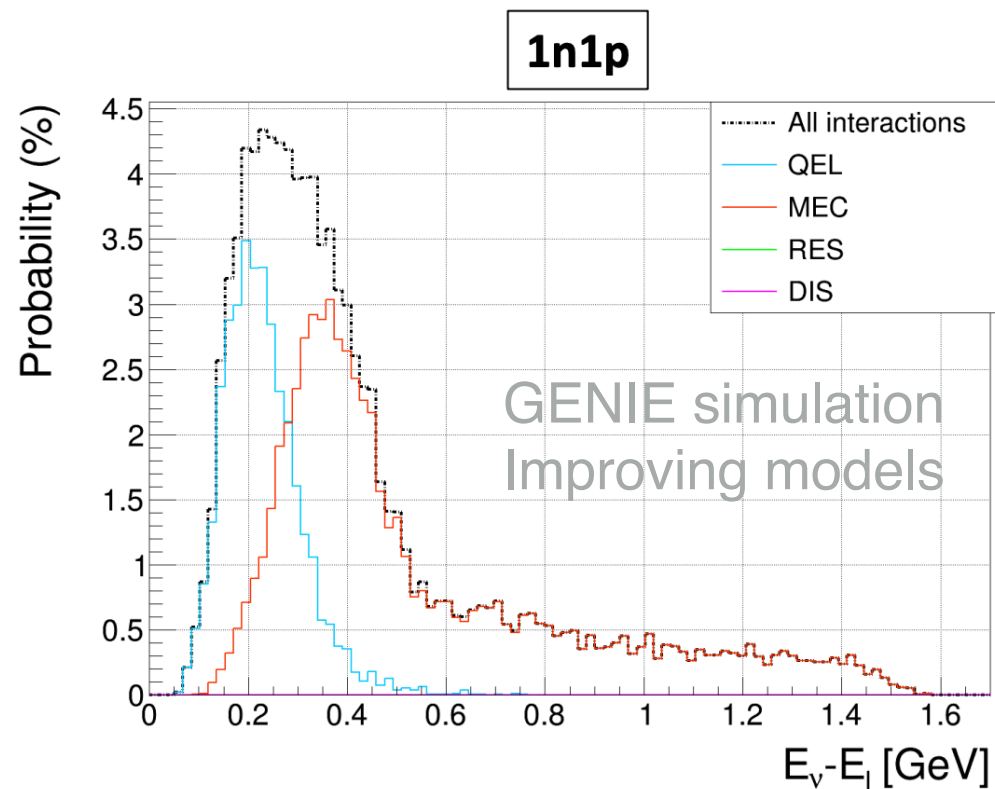
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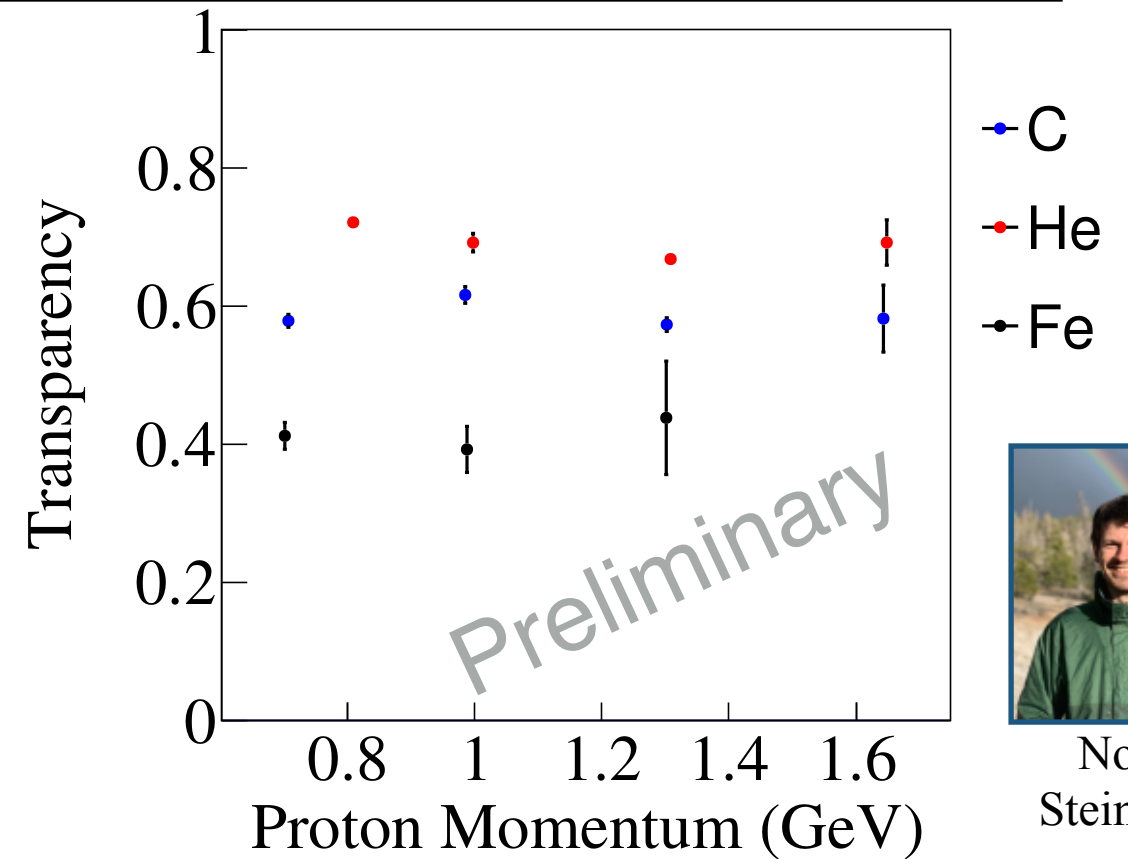
Multi differential analysis

Pion production

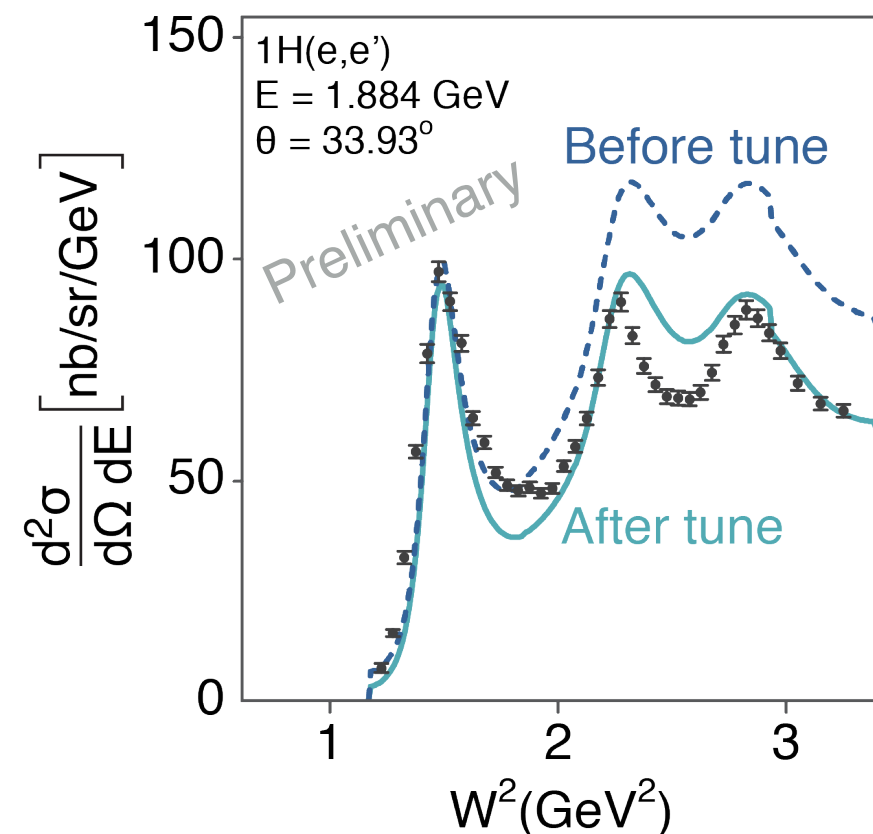
Two nucleon final state



Alon
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Noah
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Tena Vidal

Next step RG-M @ CLAS12

Better acceptance

Higher luminosity

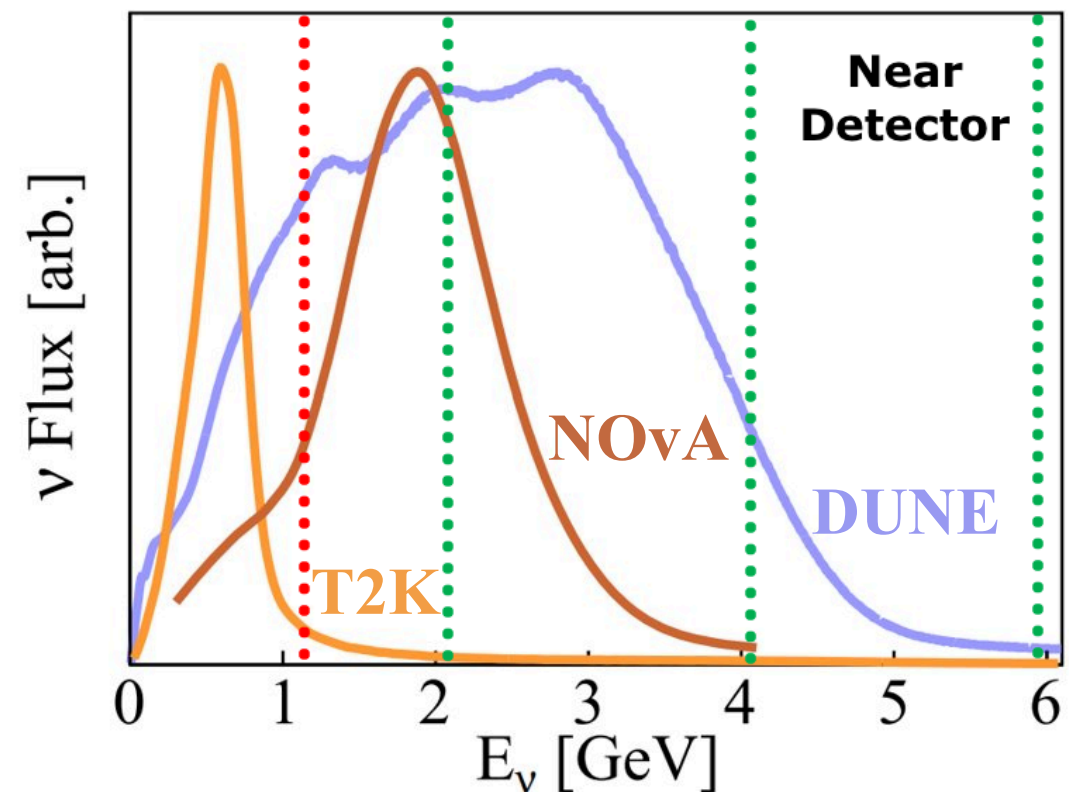
Low detection thresholds

Better neutron coverage

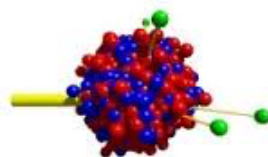
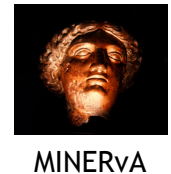
Targets: ^2D , ^4He , ^{12}C , ^{16}O , ^{40}Ar , ^{120}Sn

1, 2, 4, 6 GeV

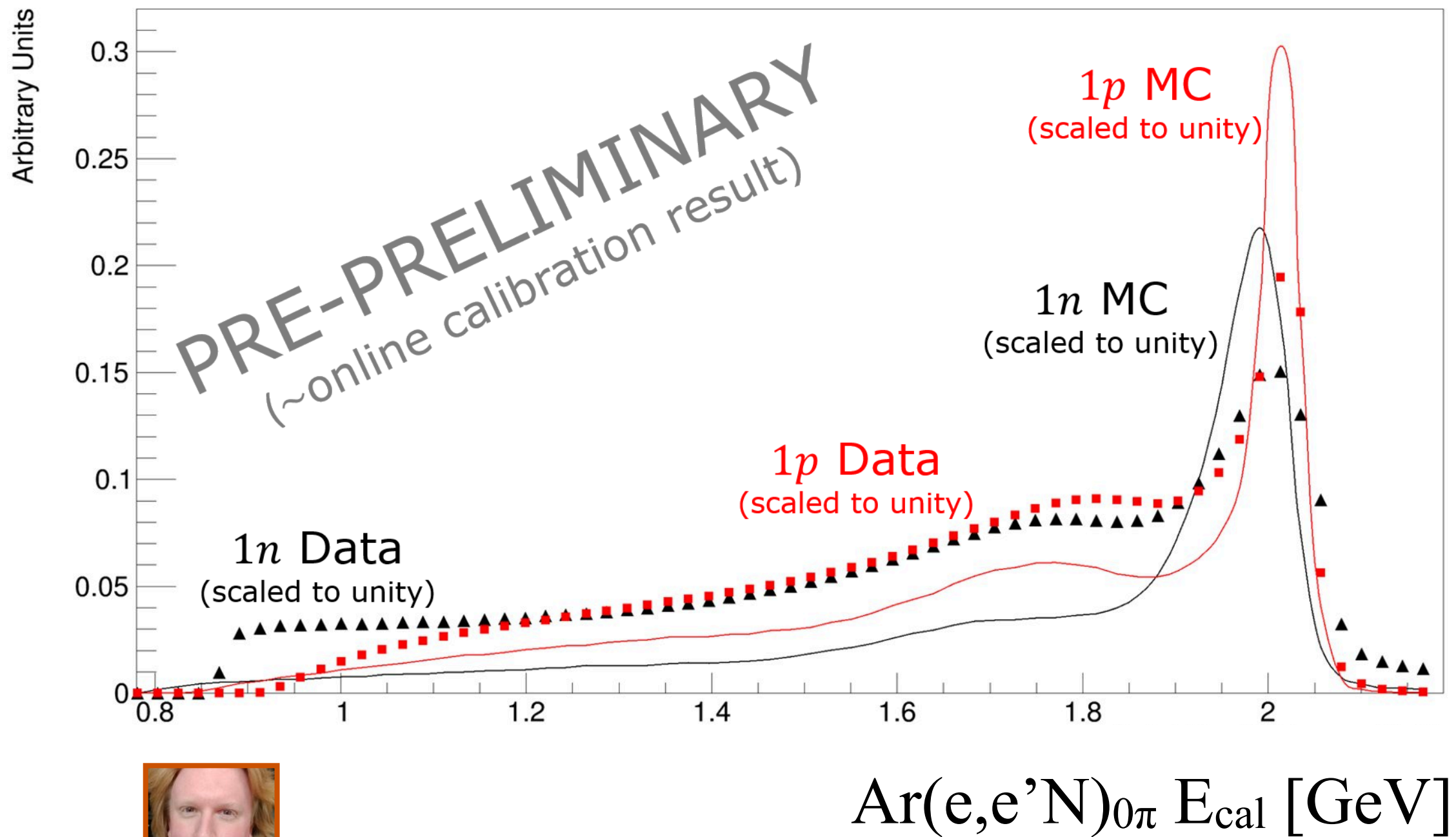
First run completed



Overwhelming support from:



Next step RG-M @ CLAS12



Joshua
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Summary

ν A interaction uncertainties limit oscillation parameters extraction

First use of semi-exclusive eA data to explore ν A uncertainties

- Energy reconstruction
- Comparison to event generators

Ongoing efforts using neutrinos and cosmic muon!

Data/model disagreement even for electron QE-like events

Charged and neutral leptons scattering data is on the way to constrain models

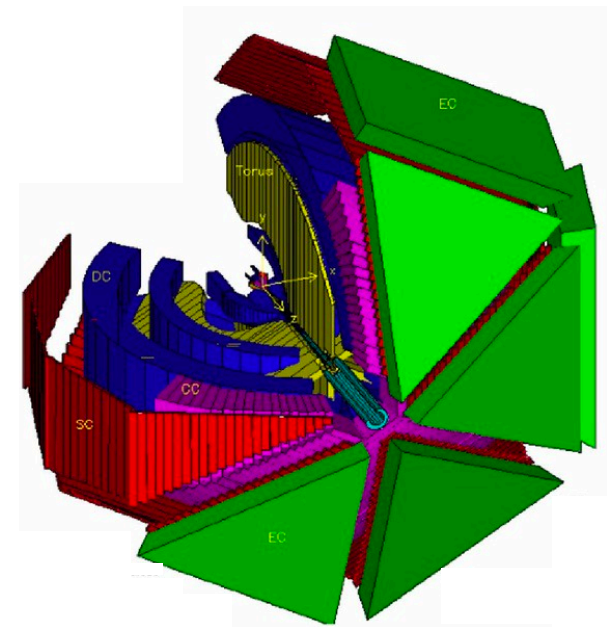
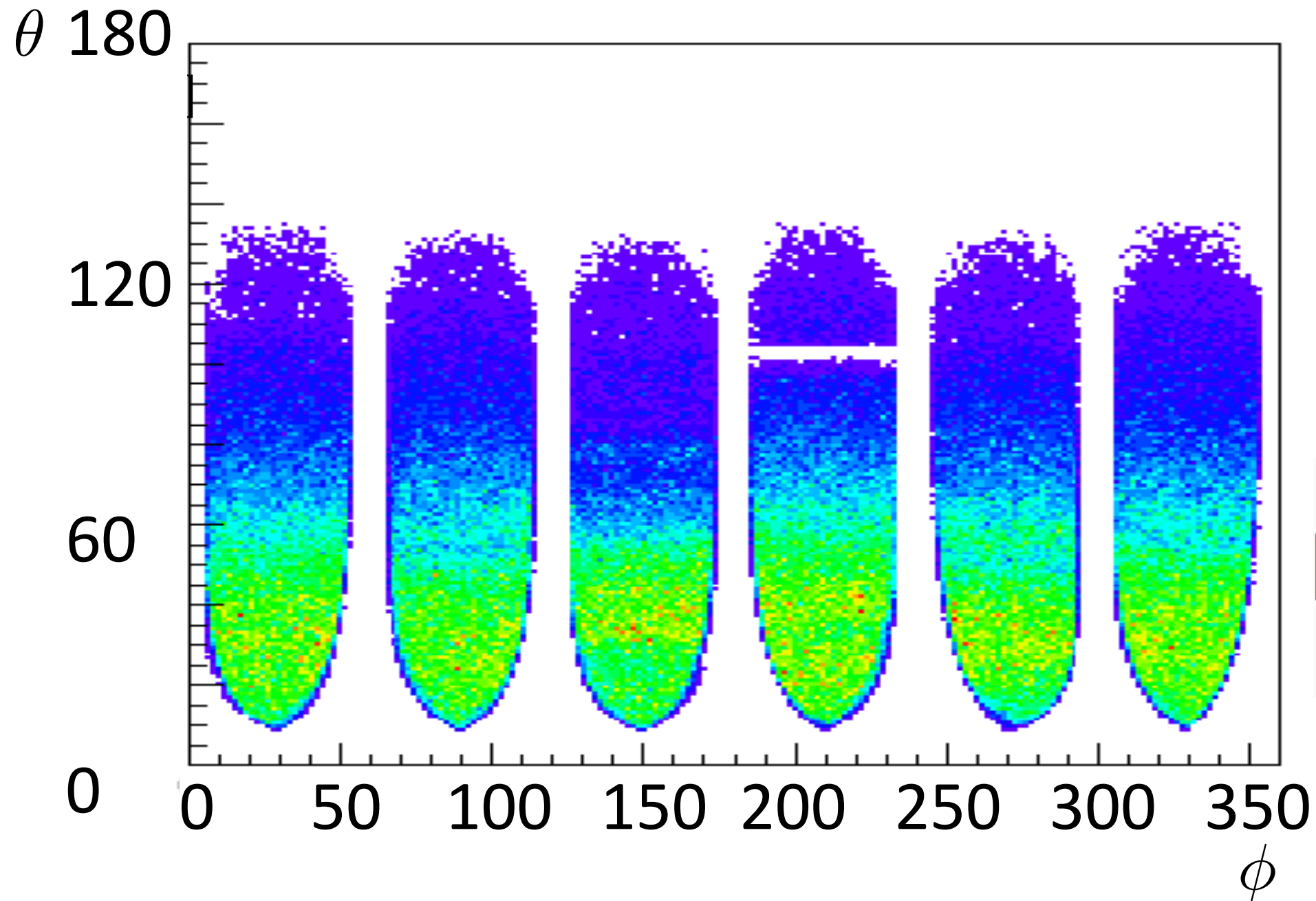


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Background Subtraction

Different interaction lead to multi-hadron final states

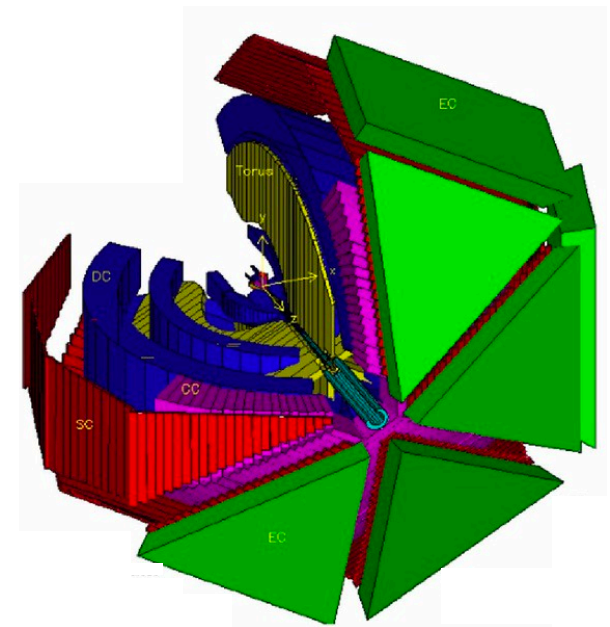
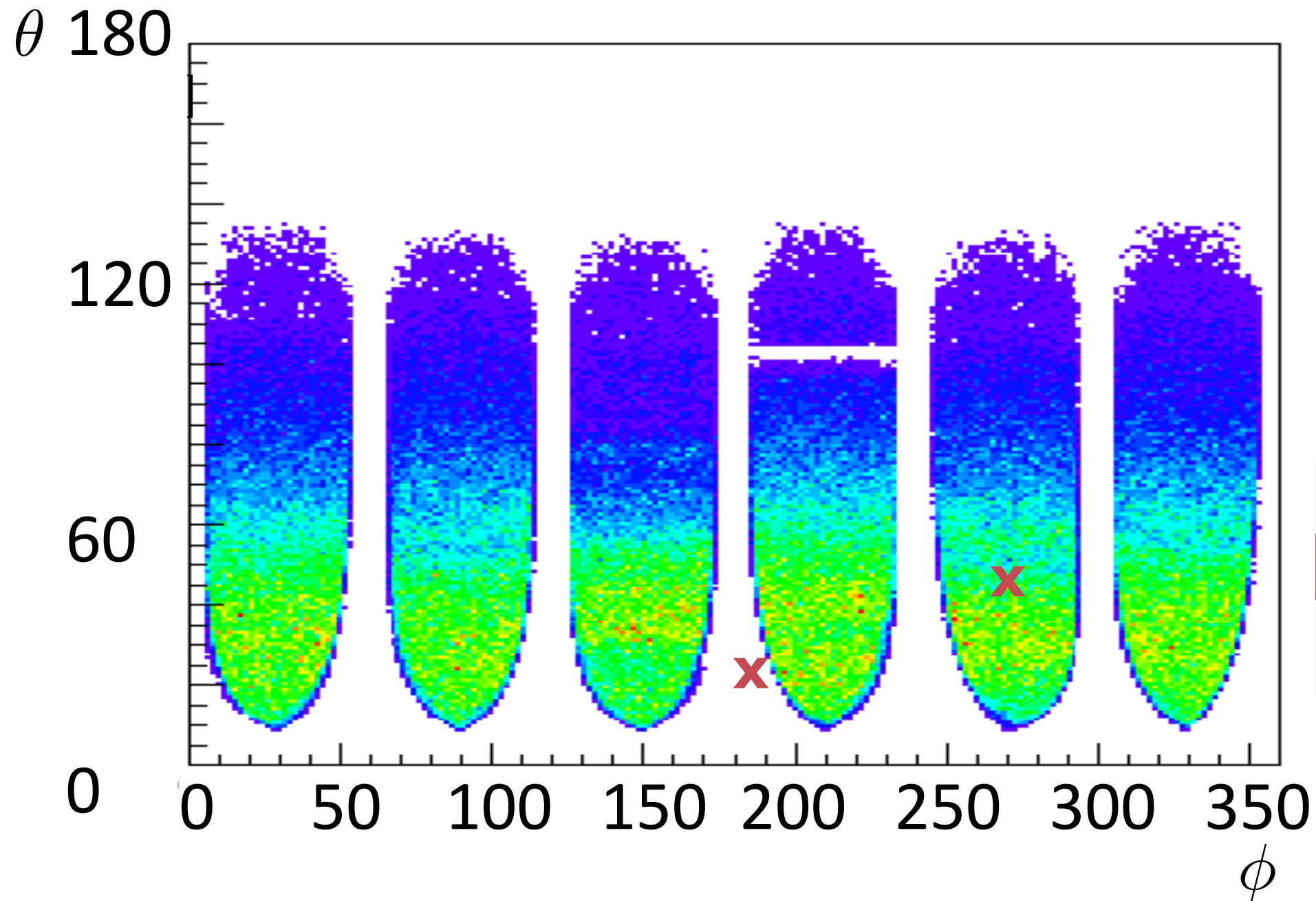
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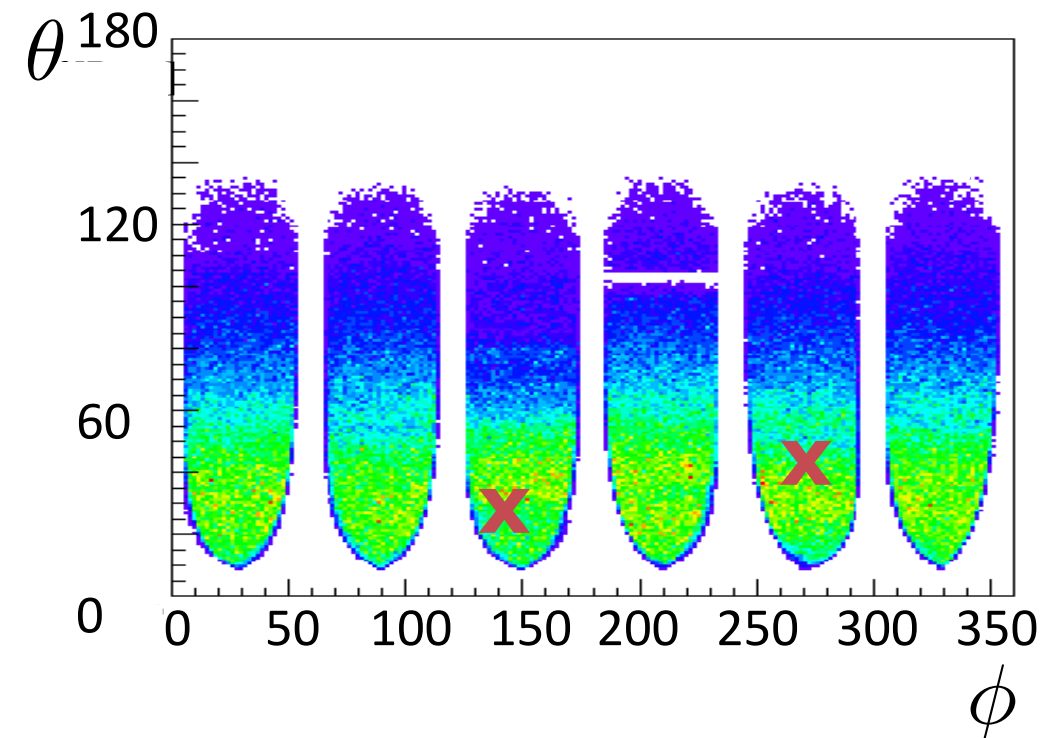
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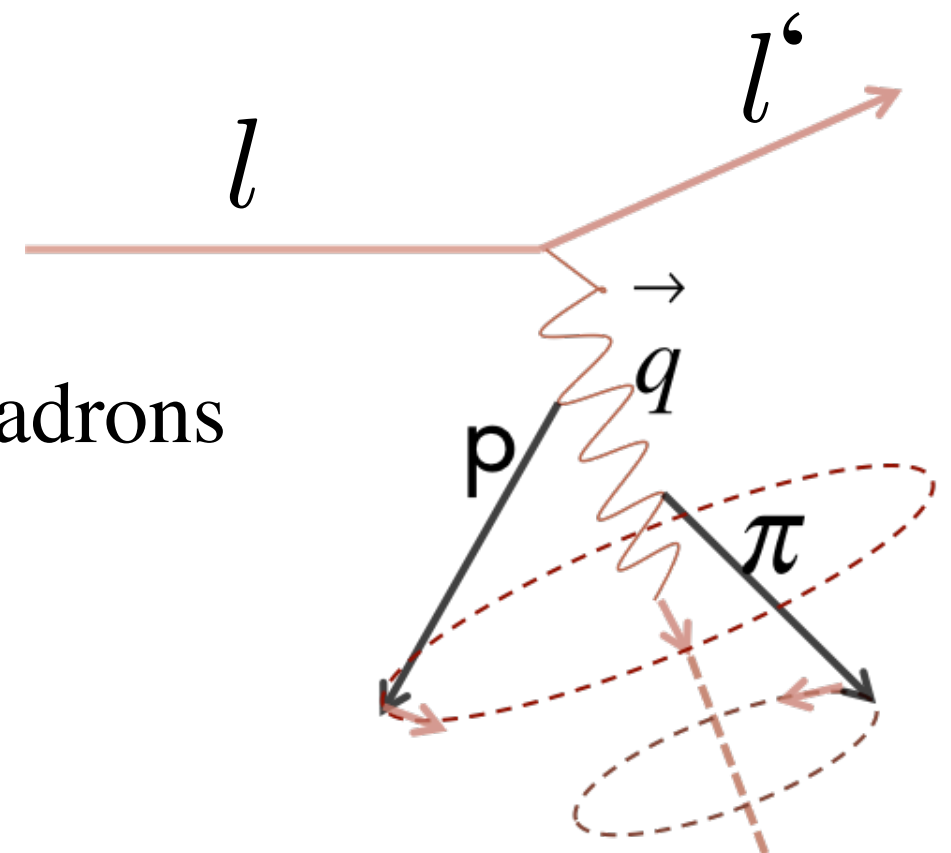


Data Driven Background Subtraction

- Using measured $(e,e'p\pi)$ events
- Rotate p,π around \mathbf{q}
- Determine event acceptance
- Subtract $(e,e'p\pi)$ contribution

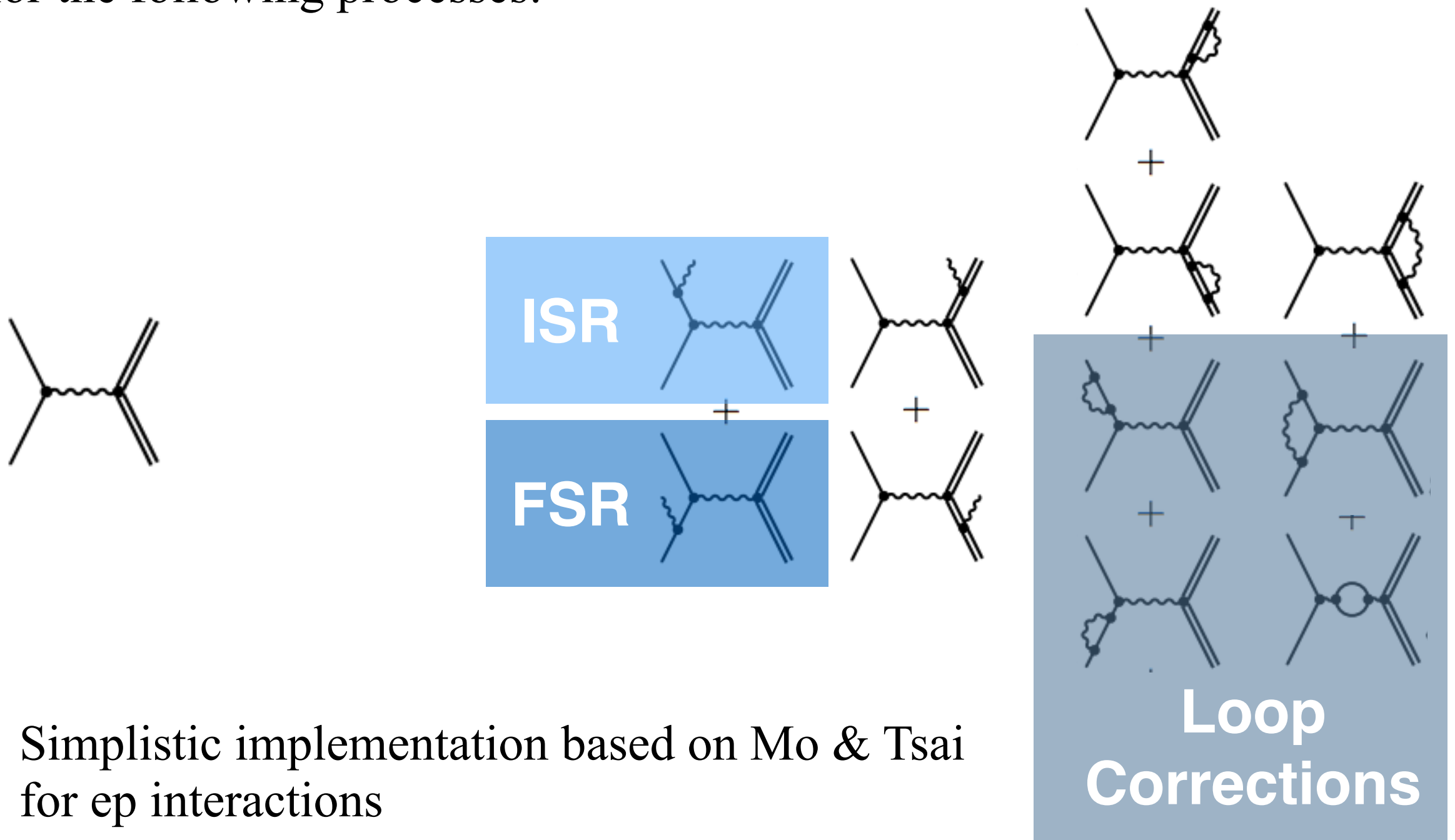


- Same for final states with more than 2 hadrons



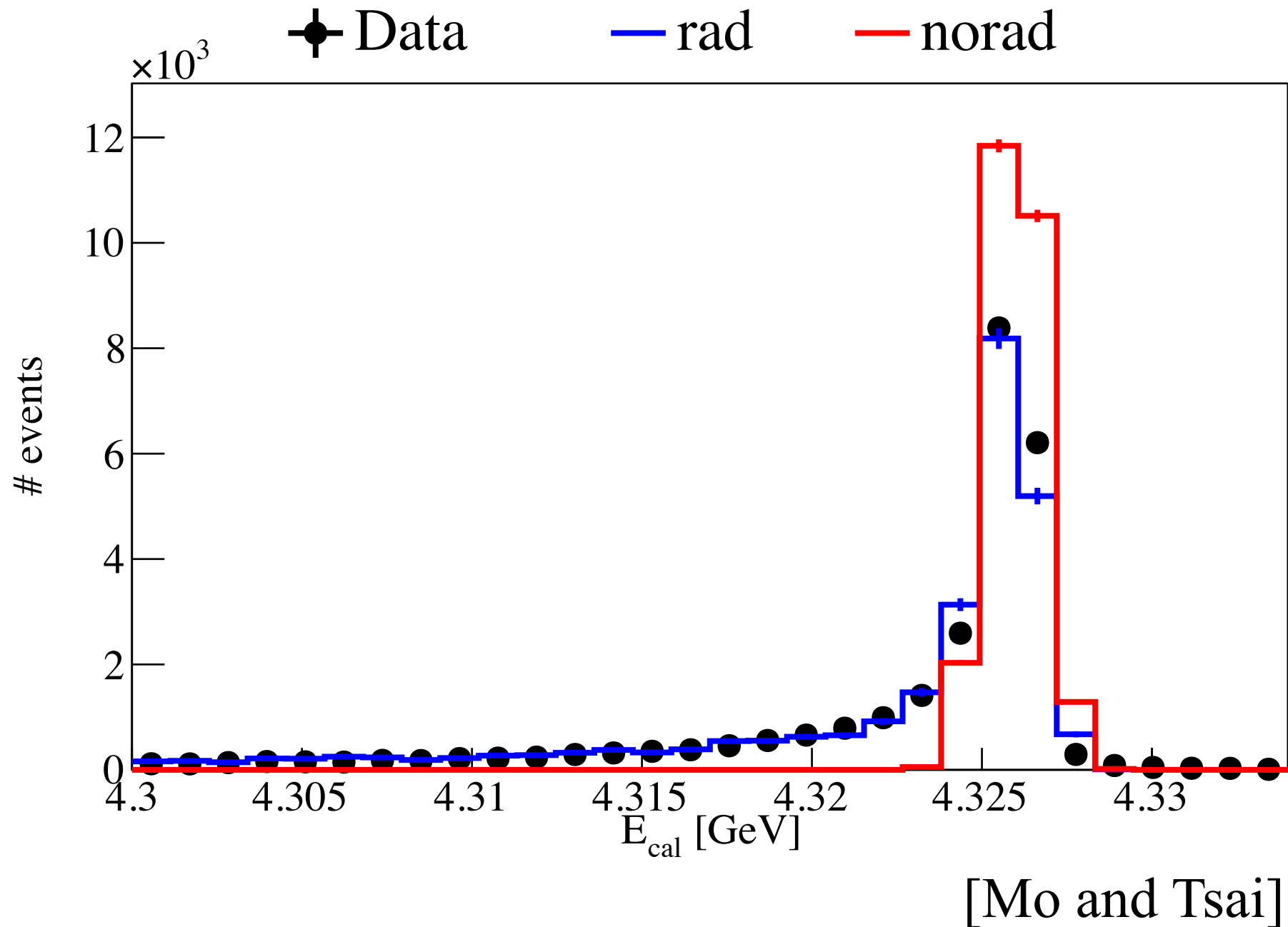
Radiative effects

A first implementation of the radiative corrections to GENIE to account for the following processes:



Adding radiative effects to GENIE

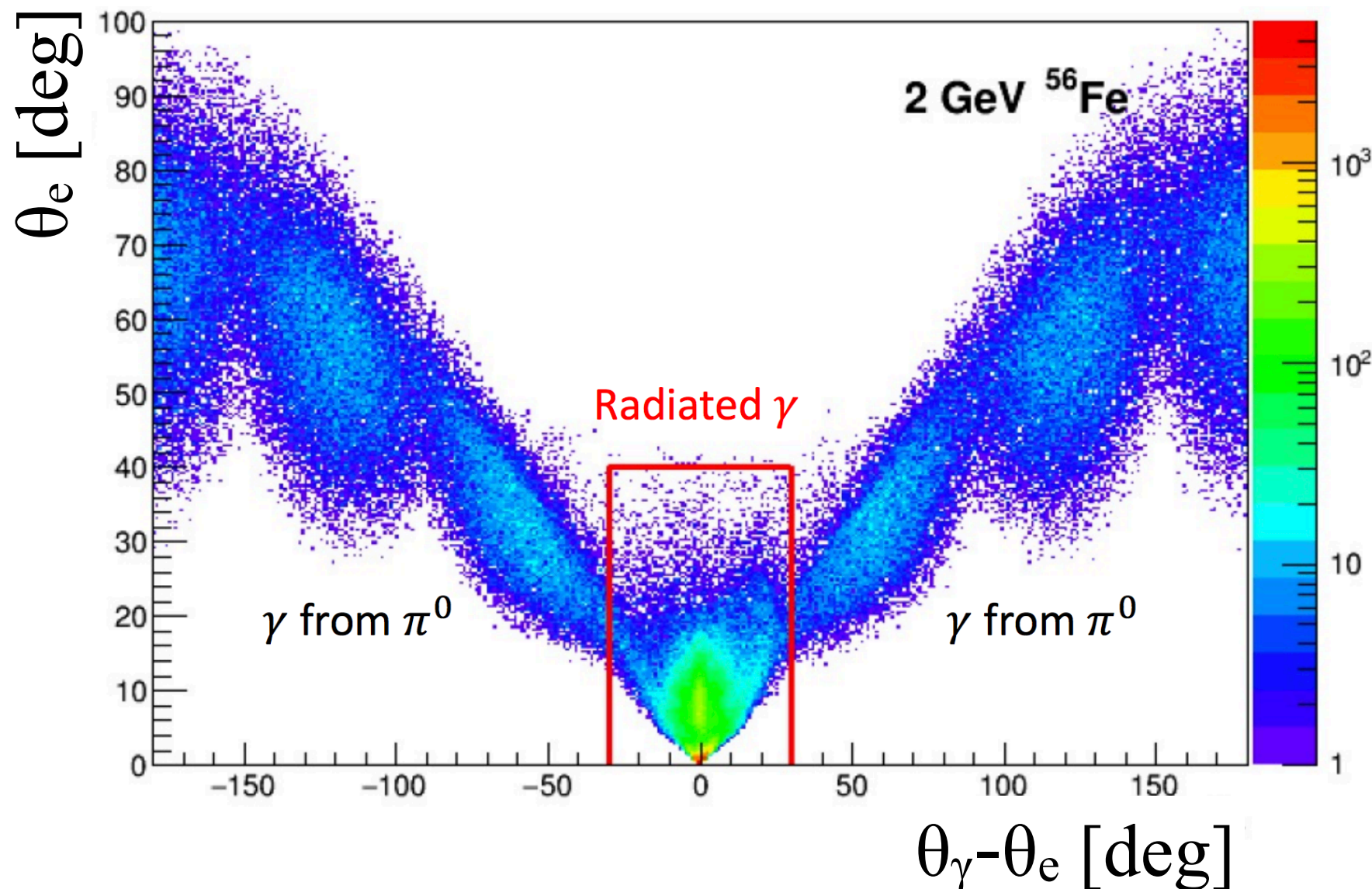
$^1\text{H}(e,e'p)$ $E = 4.325$ GeV



Rejecting final state radiation events

Ignore events with:

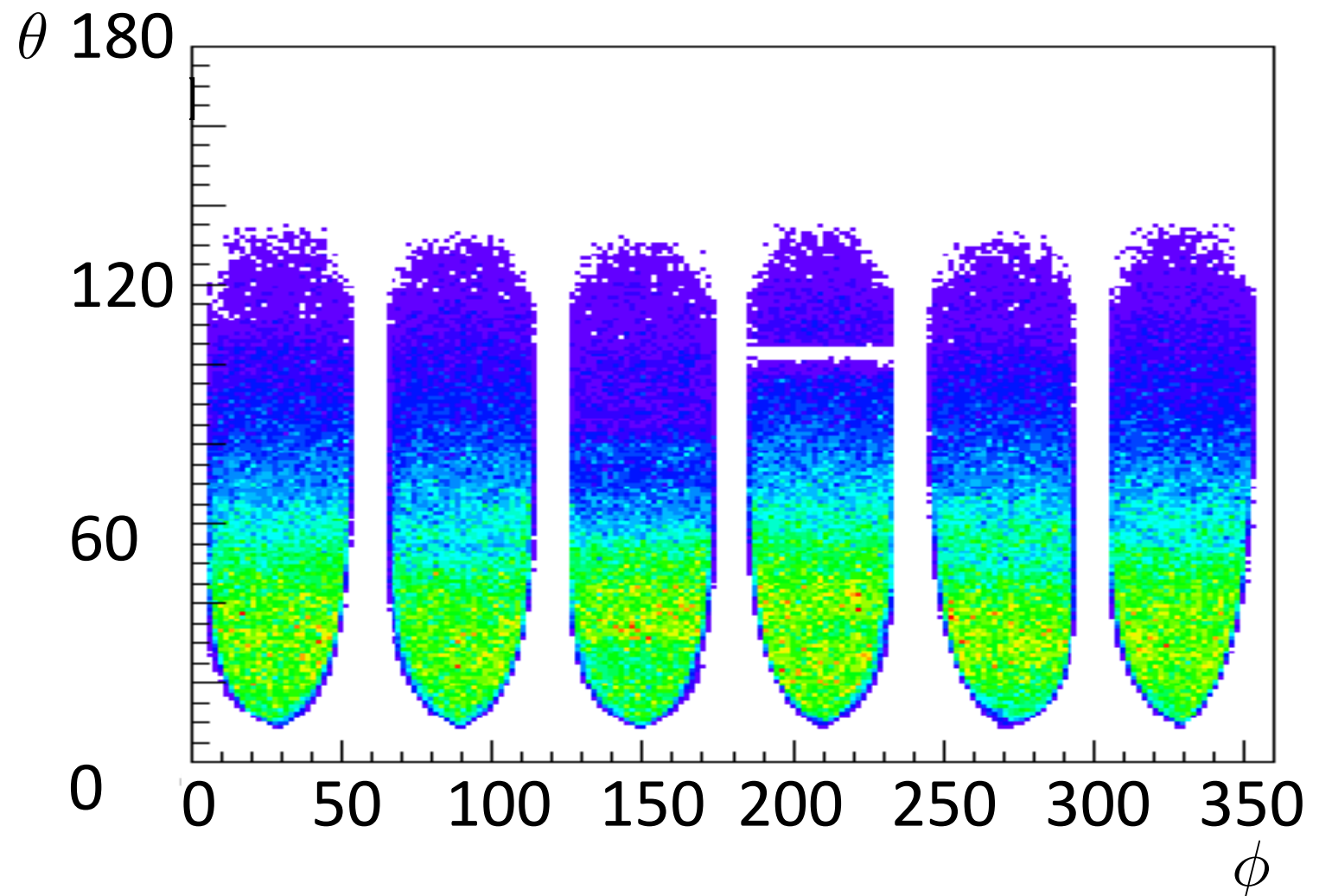
- A photon close to the final state electron
- $E_e' < 0.25 E_e$



CLAS6: Acceptance maps available

CLAS6 has a different efficiency, which we will publish as acceptance maps for public use for each:

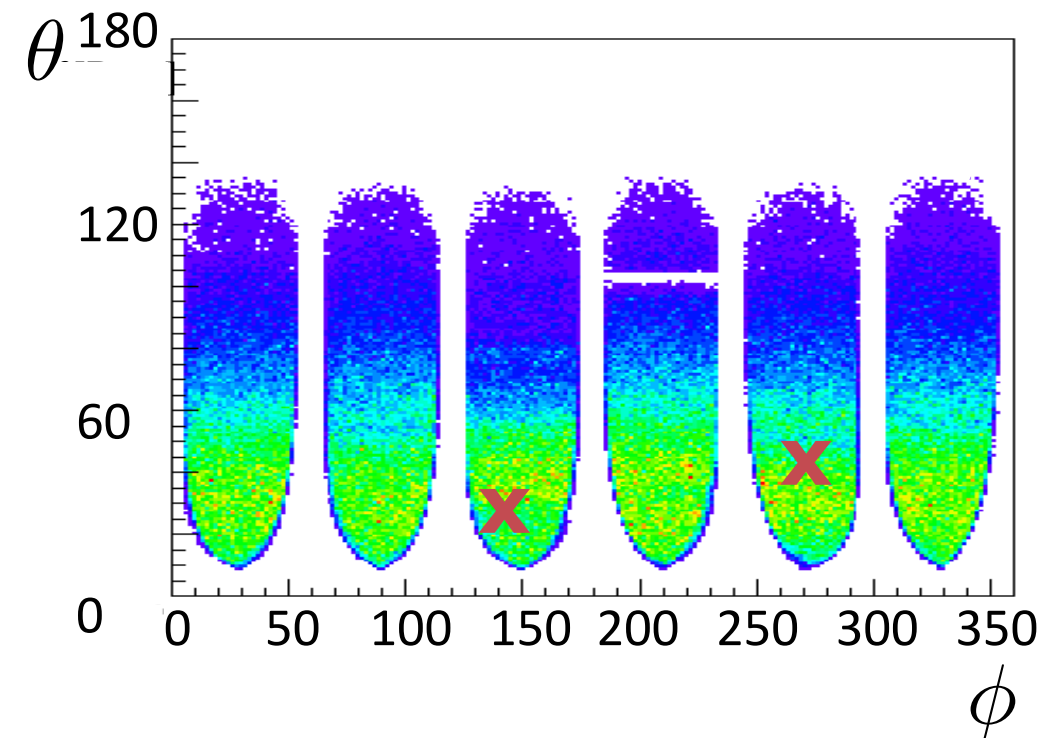
- Target
- Particle type
- Particle momentum



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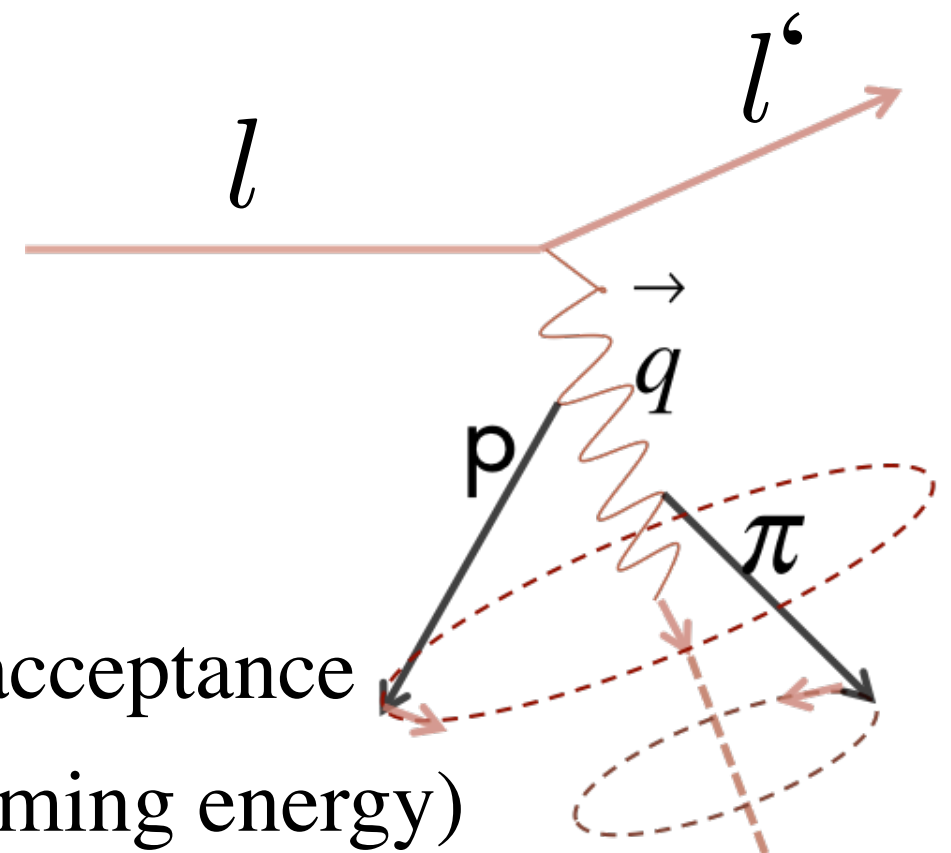
Data driven Background Subtraction

- Using measured $(e,e'p\pi)$ events
- Rotate π around \mathbf{q}
- Determine event acceptance
- Subtract $(e,e'p\pi)$ contribution



Same for final states with more than 2 hadrons

Systematics due to: $\phi_{q\pi}$ dependency, and acceptance resulting with 2%-5% (depending on incoming energy)

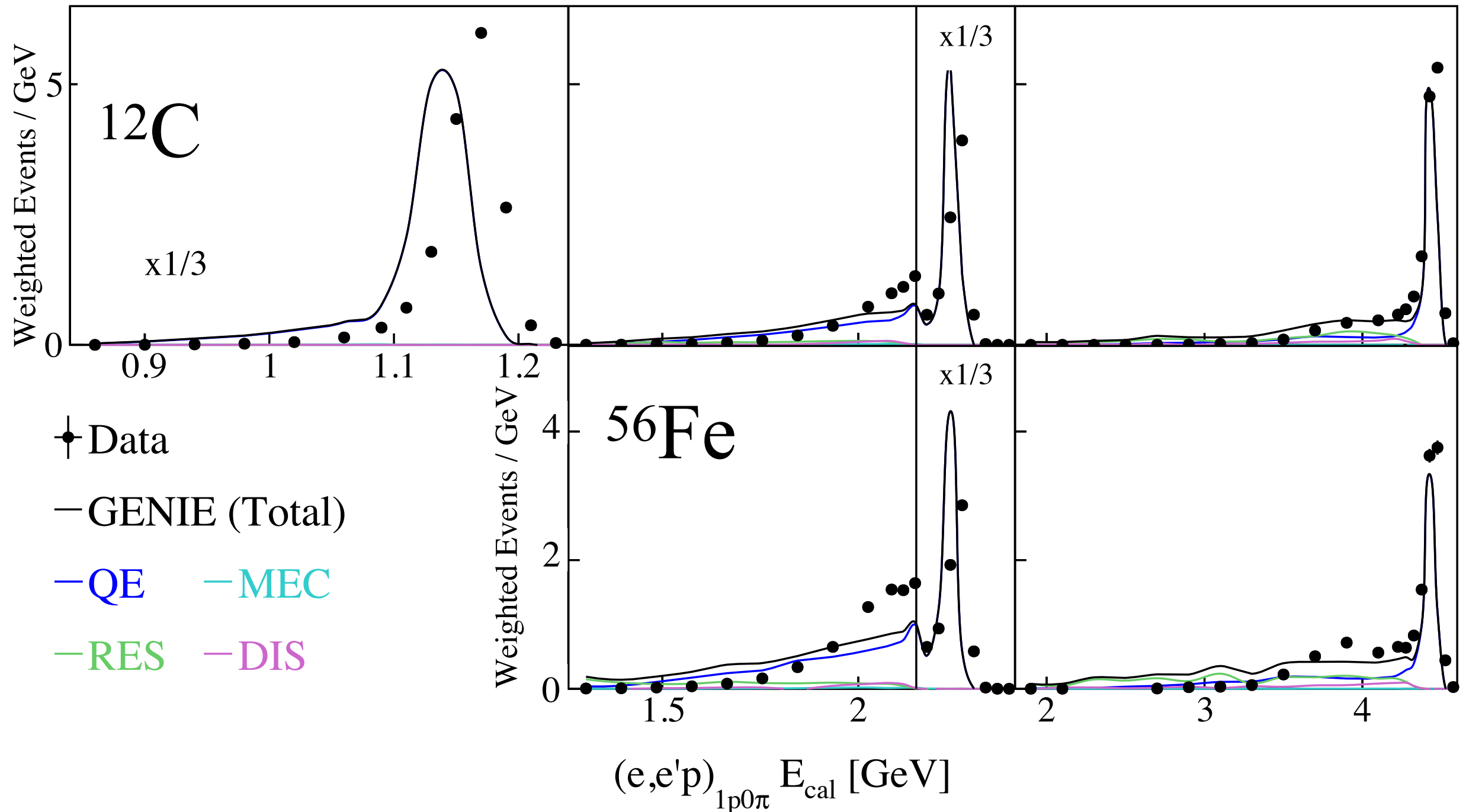


Ecal around the QE peak $0.8 < X_B < 1.2$

1.159 GeV

2.257 GeV

4.453 GeV

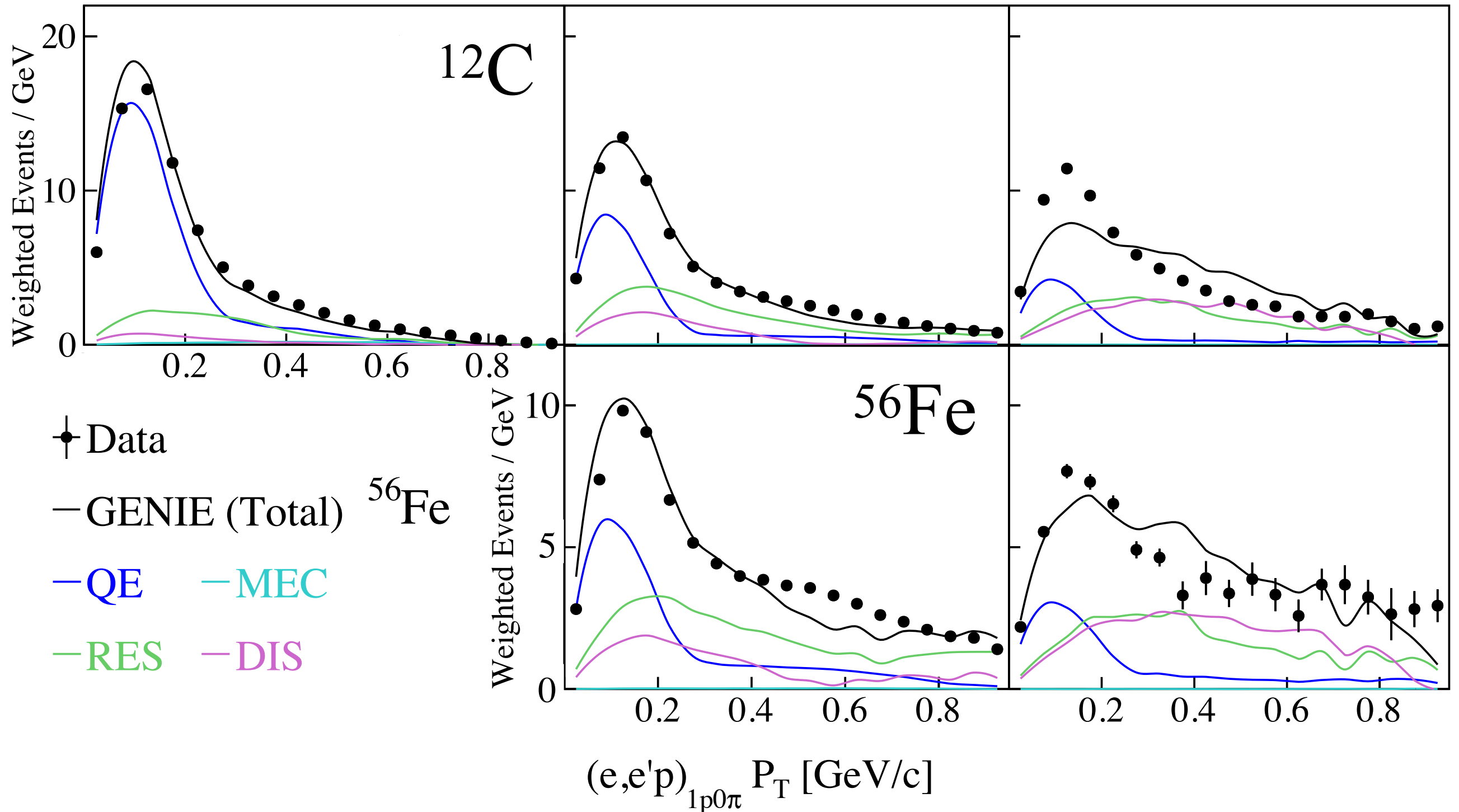


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Systematic Uncertainties - Data side

1. Background subtraction:

1. Assuming no $\phi_{q\pi}$ dependency when rotation hadrons system around q vector. $H(e, e'p\pi)$ cross sections measured dependency affected the subtracted spectra by about 1%.
 2. Varying the CLAS ϕ acceptance in each sector reduced by 10–20%. This changed the resulting subtracted spectra by about 1% at 1.159 and 2.257 GeV and by 4% at 4.453 GeV.
- ## 2. Varying the photon identification cuts using its velocity greater than two standard deviations (3σ at 1.159 GeV) below $v = c$, by $\pm 0.25\sigma$. This gave an uncertainty in the resulting subtracted spectra of 0.1%, 0.5% and 2% at 1.159, 2.257 and 4.453 GeV.

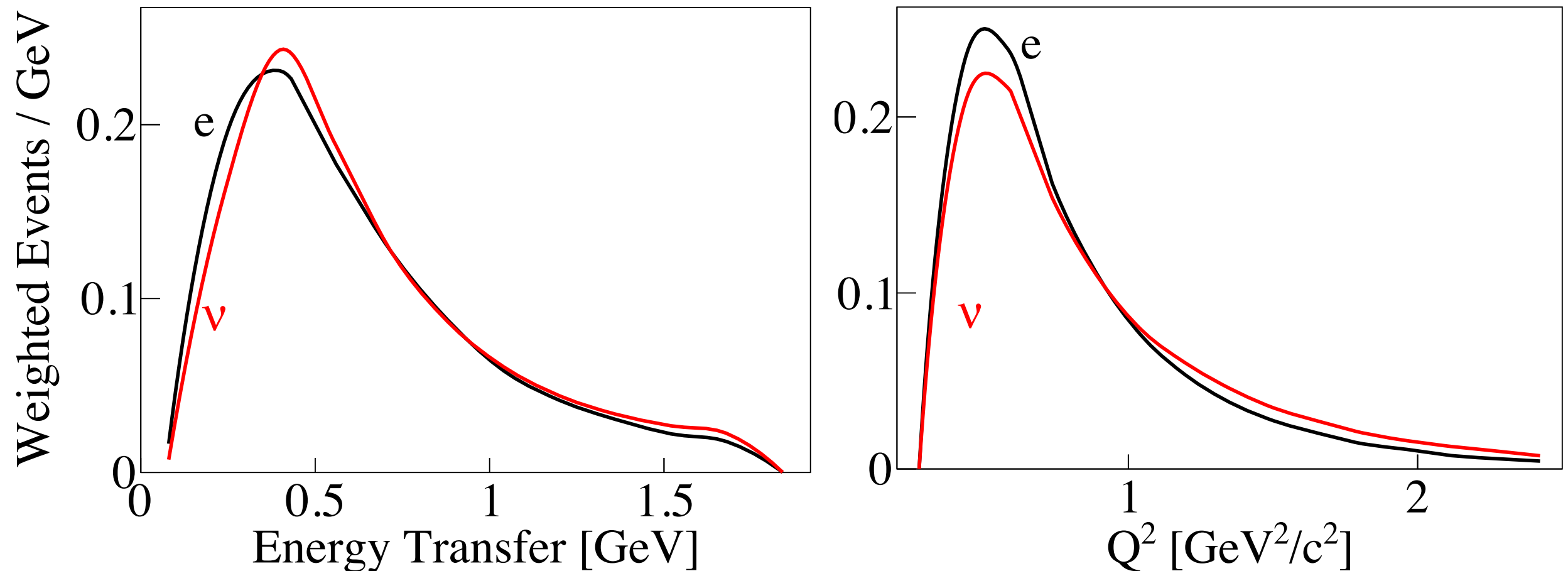
Systematic Uncertainties - Data side

Source	Uncertainty (%)
Detector acceptance Identification cuts $\phi_{q\pi}$ cross section dependence Number of rotations	2,2.1,4.7 (@ 1.1,2.2,4.4 GeV)
Sector dependence	6
Acceptance correction	2-15
Overall normalization	3
Electron inefficiency	2

Similar eA and ν A Cross sections

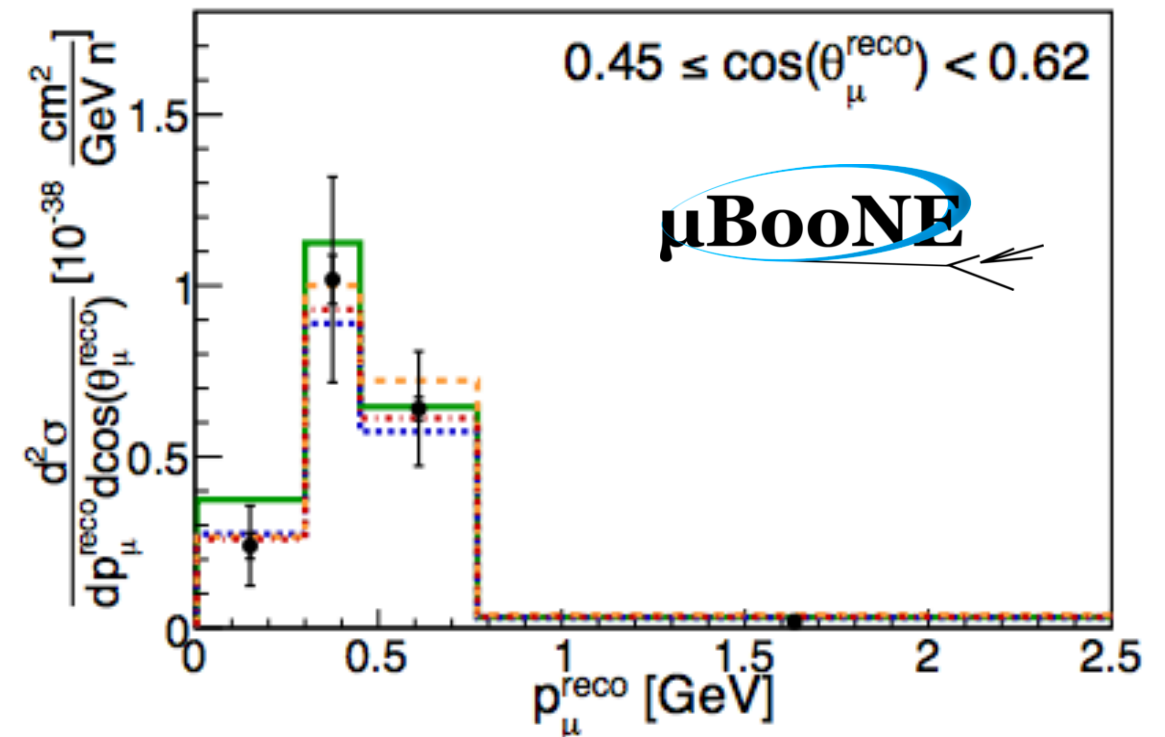
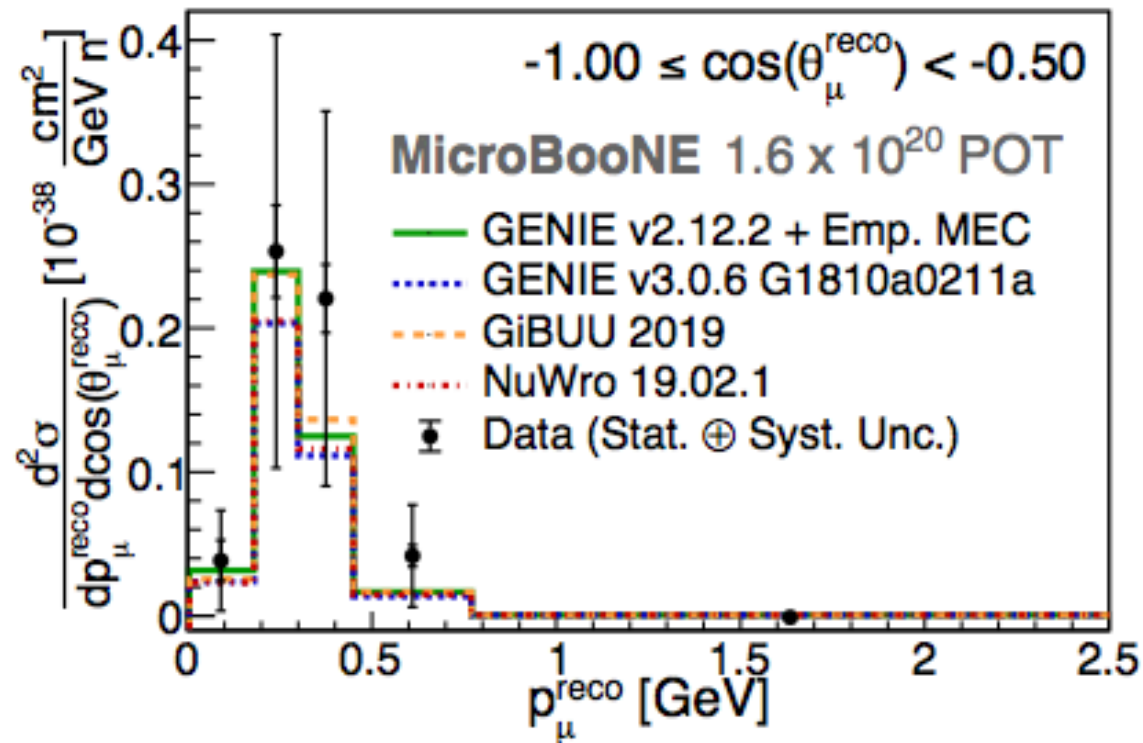
Test on $1p0\pi$ event selection

^{56}Fe $E = 2.2$ GeV



Genie v3.0.6 tune G18_10a_02_11a Electron were weighted by $1/Q^4$

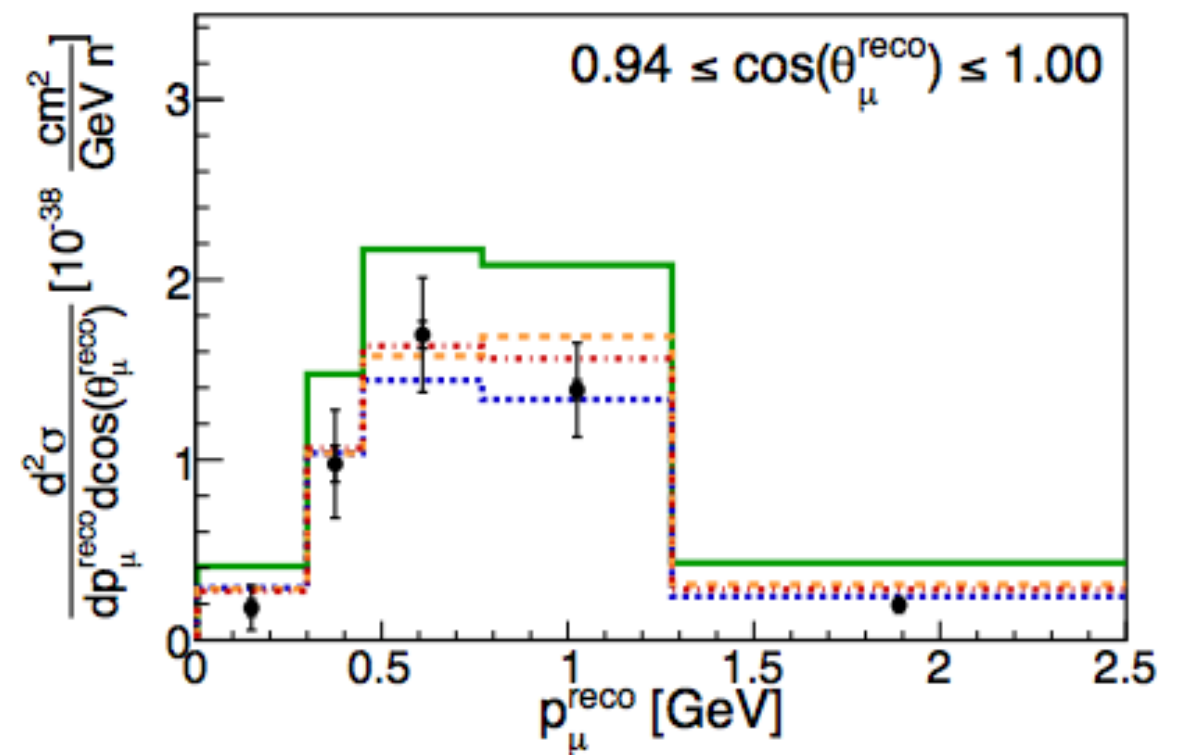
Inclusive ν data and Generators



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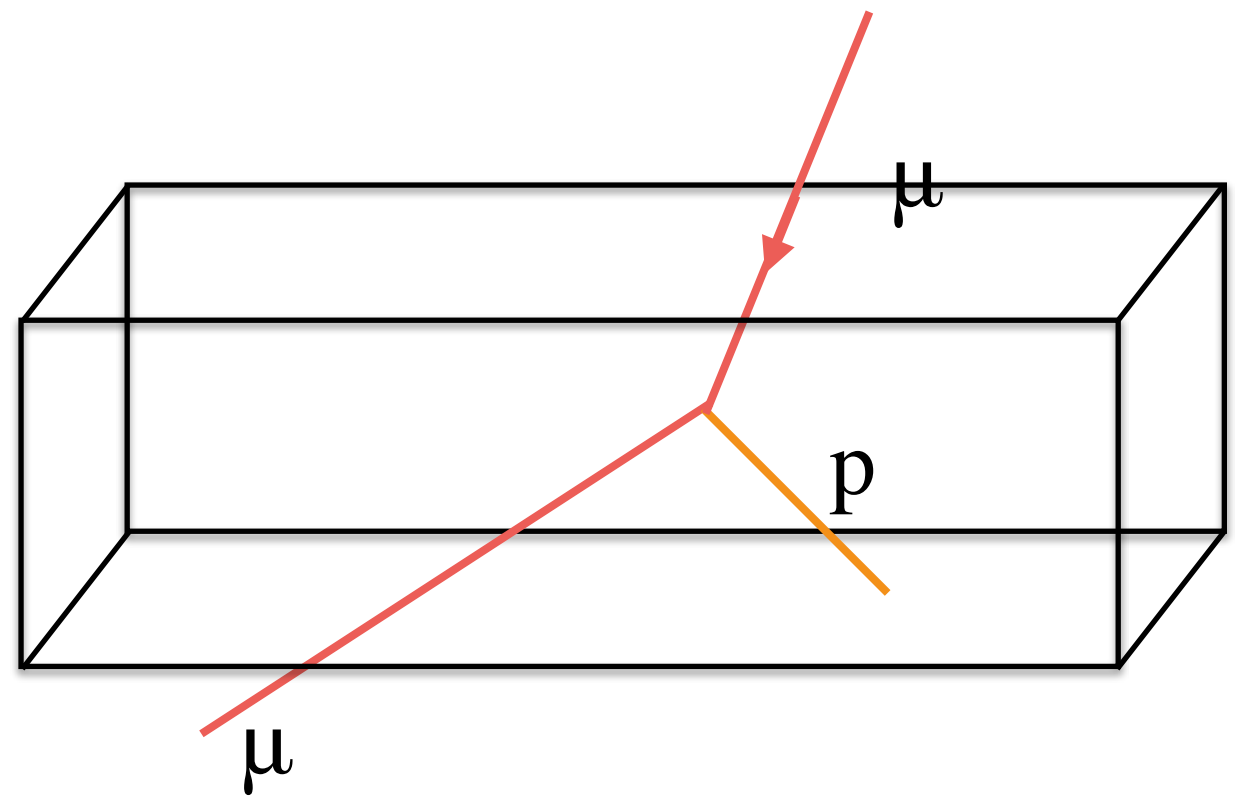


$\mu 4\nu$ A(e,e'p) Event Selection

Repeat the e4nu analysis with cosmic muons inside MicroBooNE



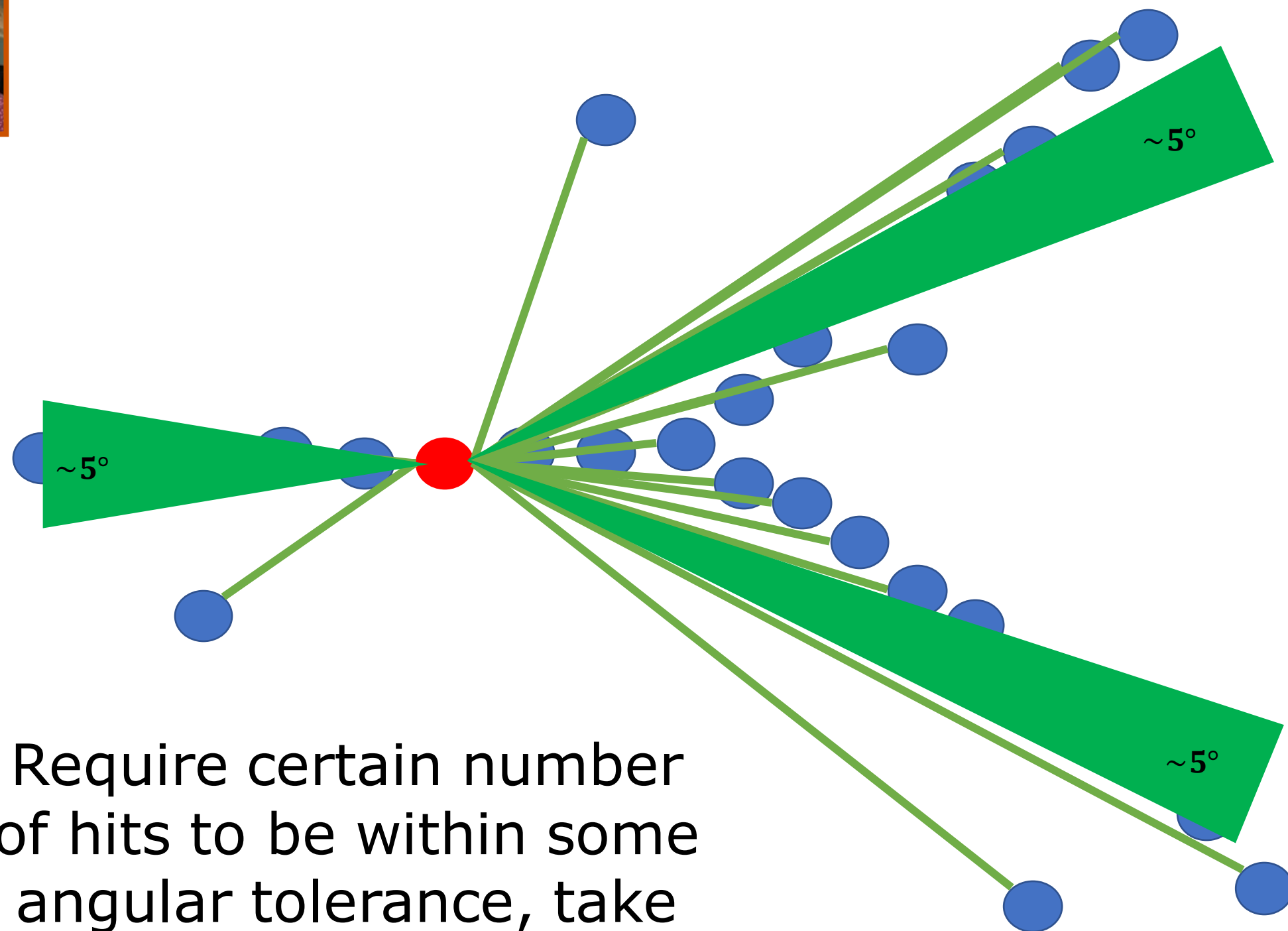
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$\mu 4V$ Triggering scheme



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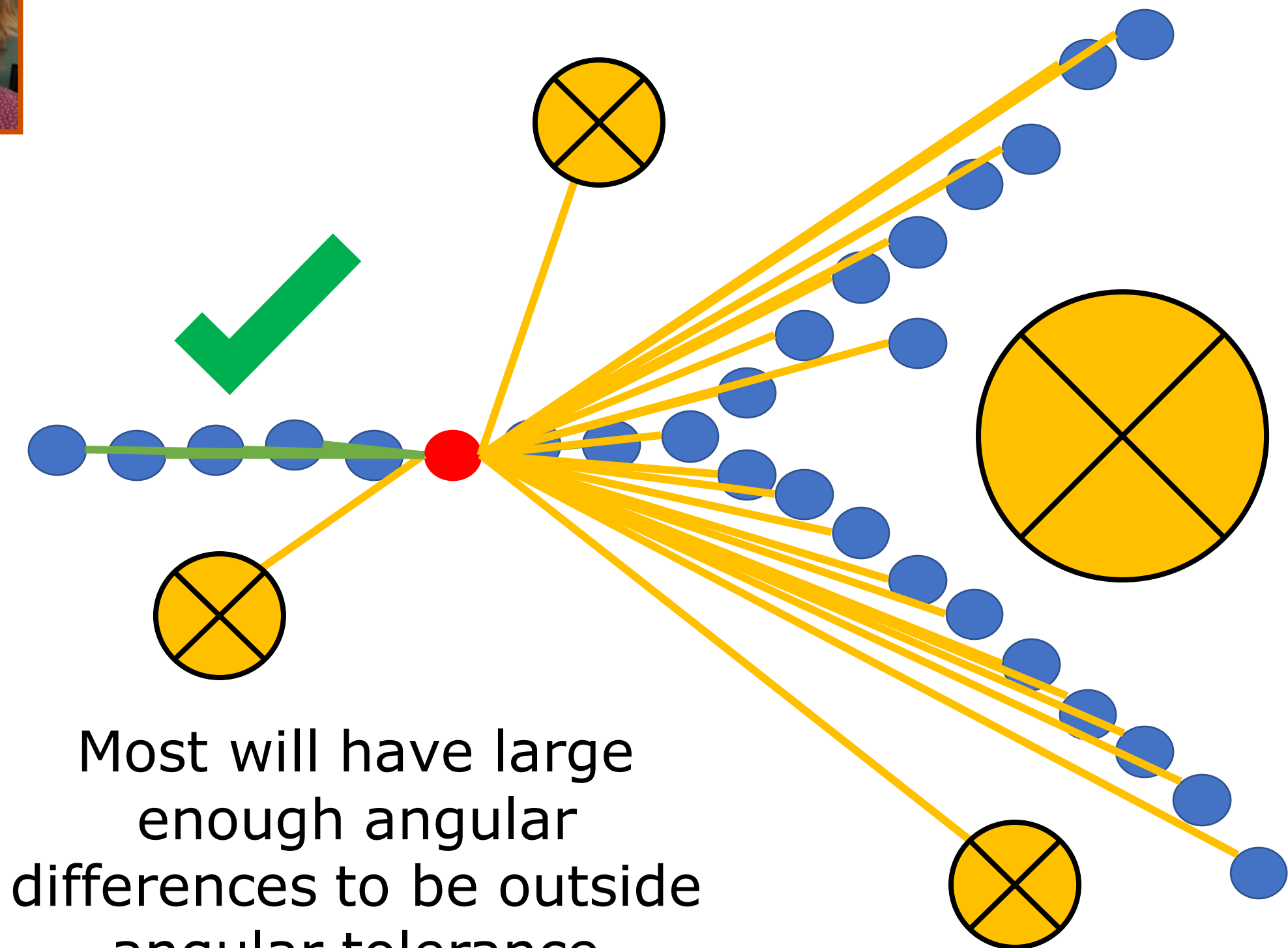
Require certain number
of hits to be within some
angular tolerance, take
an average

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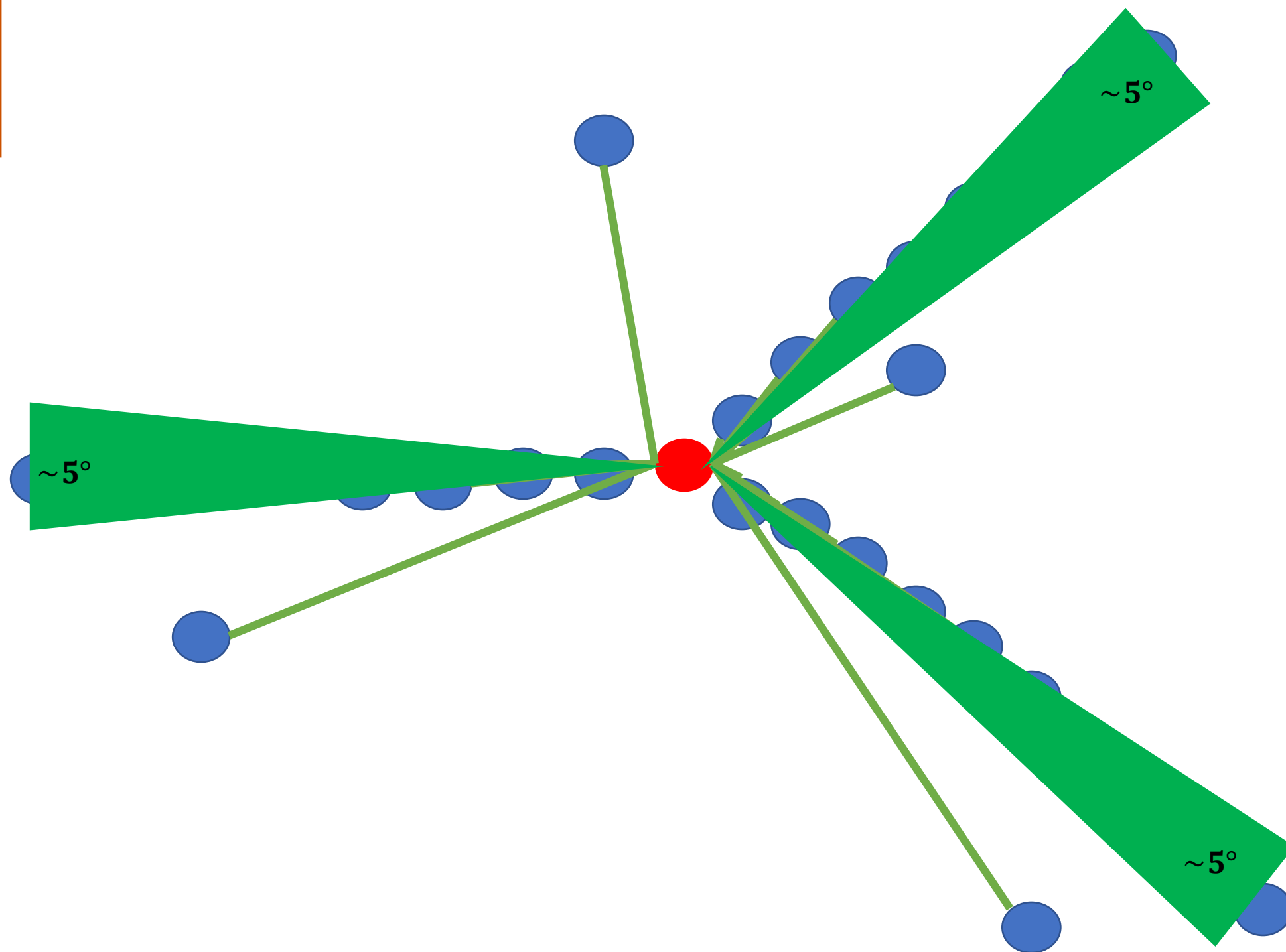


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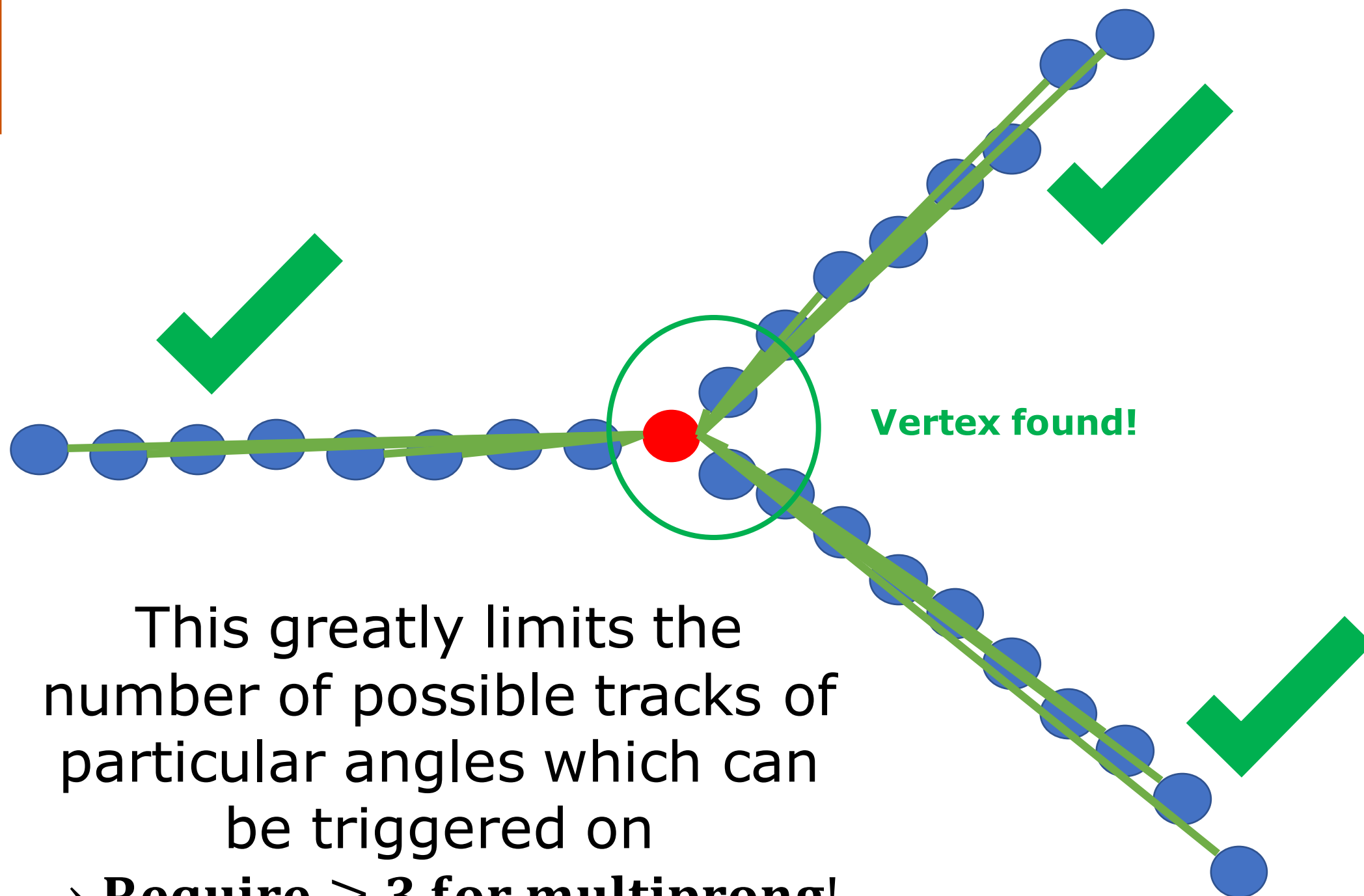


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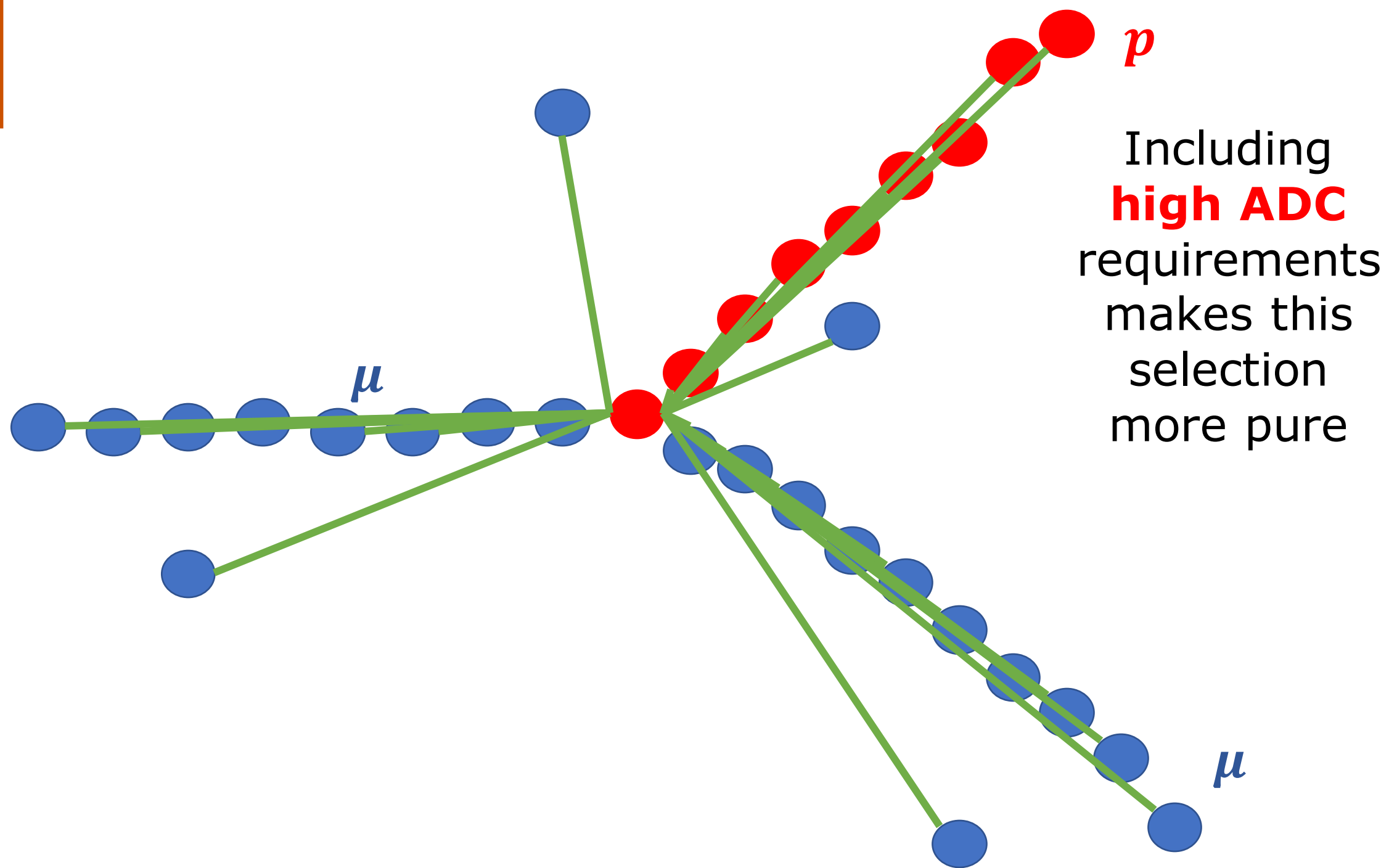


This greatly limits the
number of possible tracks of
particular angles which can
be triggered on
→ **Require ≥ 3 for multiprongs!**

$\mu 4V$ Triggering scheme



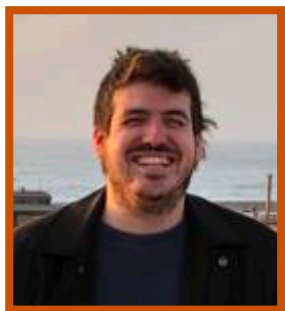
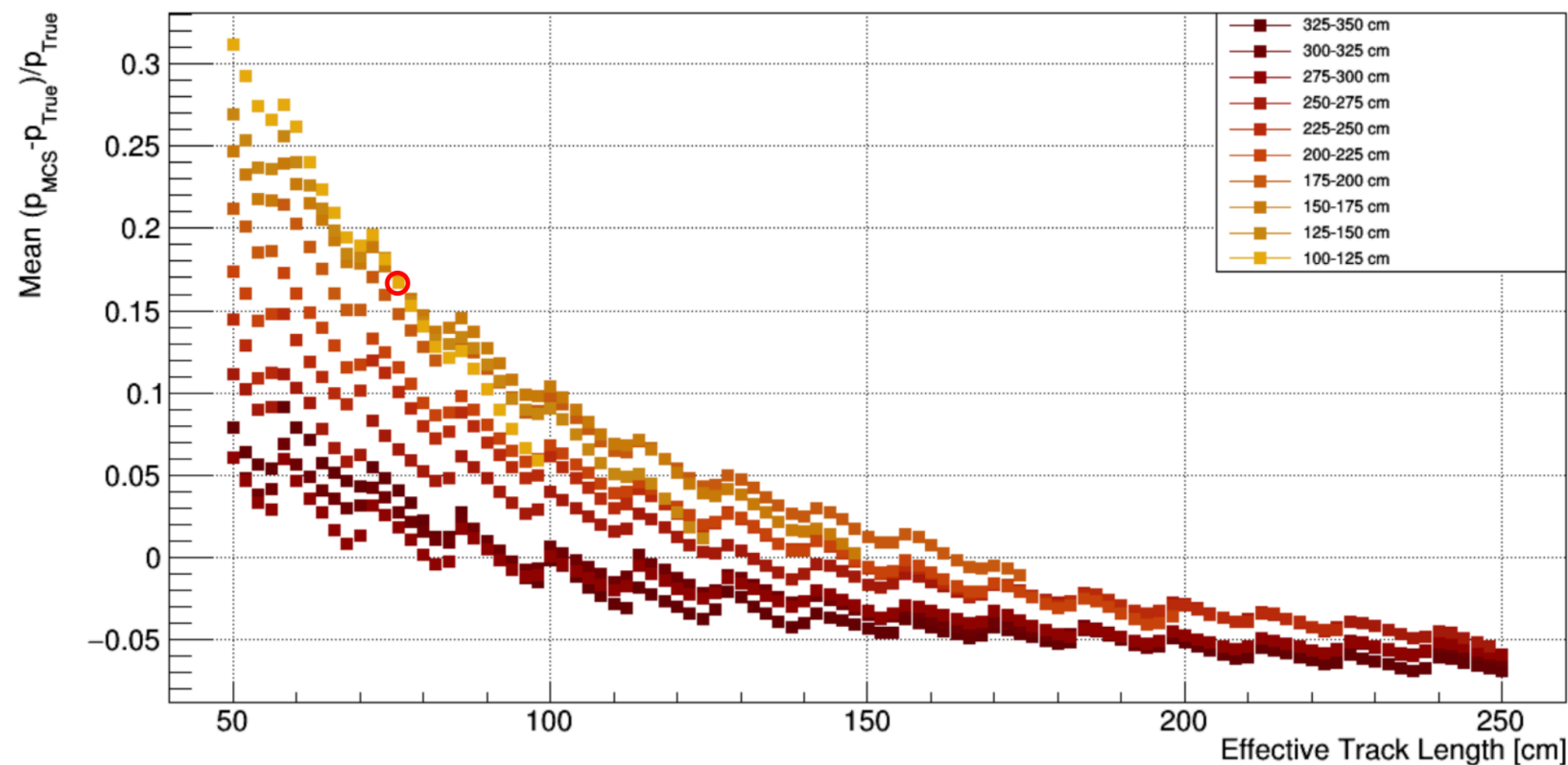
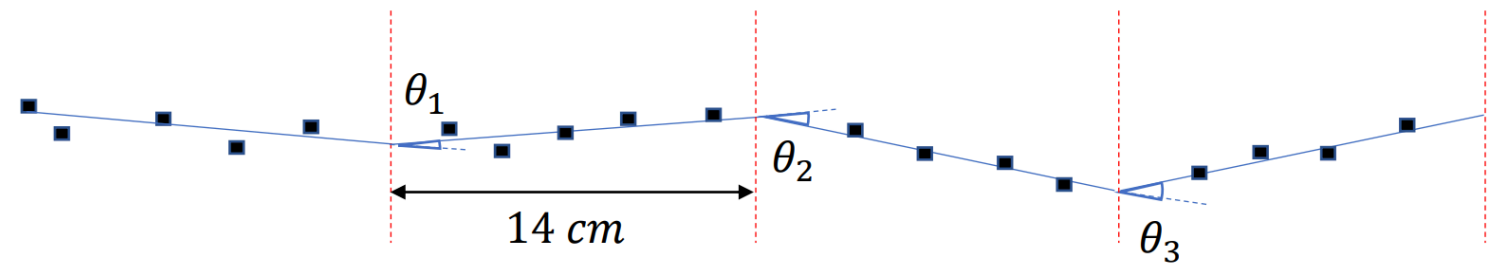
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$\mu 4V$ Improving momentum reconstruction

Exiting / entering
tracks momentum
can be reconstructed
using multiple
colours scattering



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