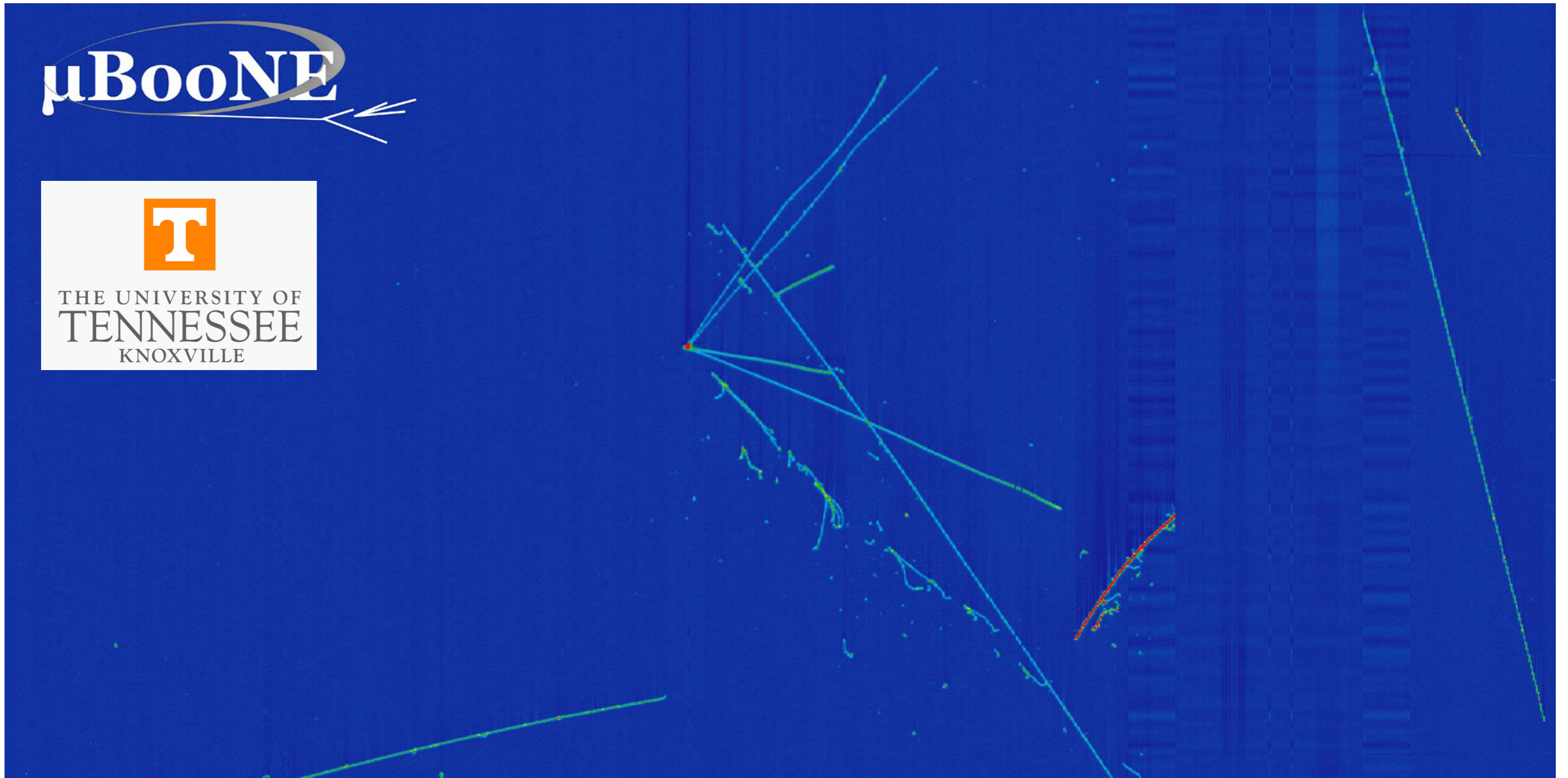


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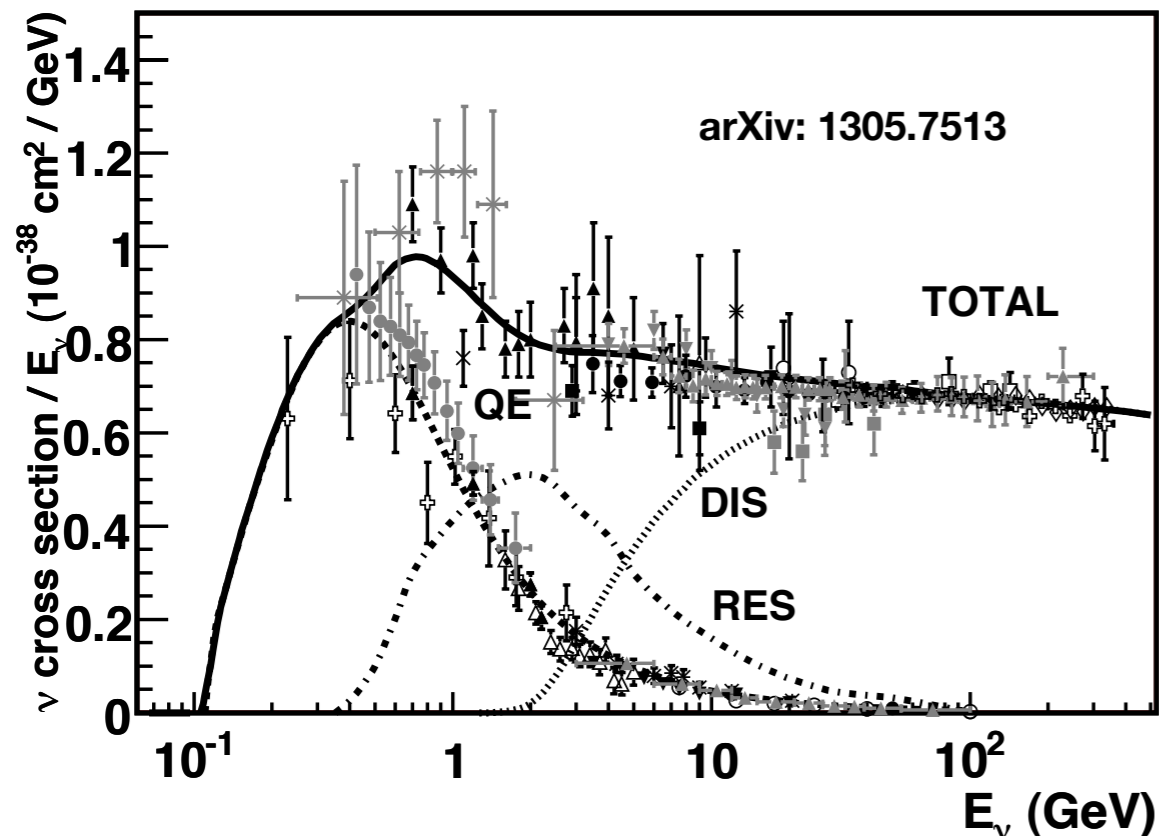
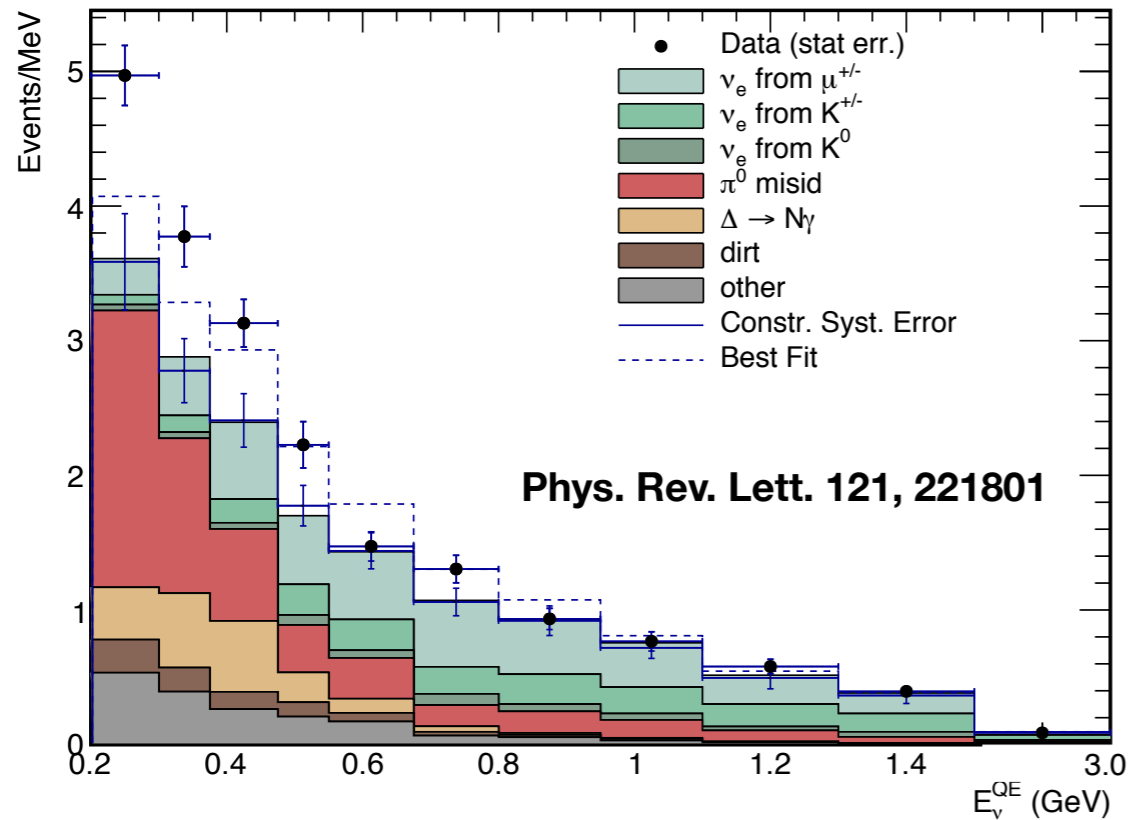
Recent Results from MicroBooNE

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On Behalf of the MicroBooNE Collaboration

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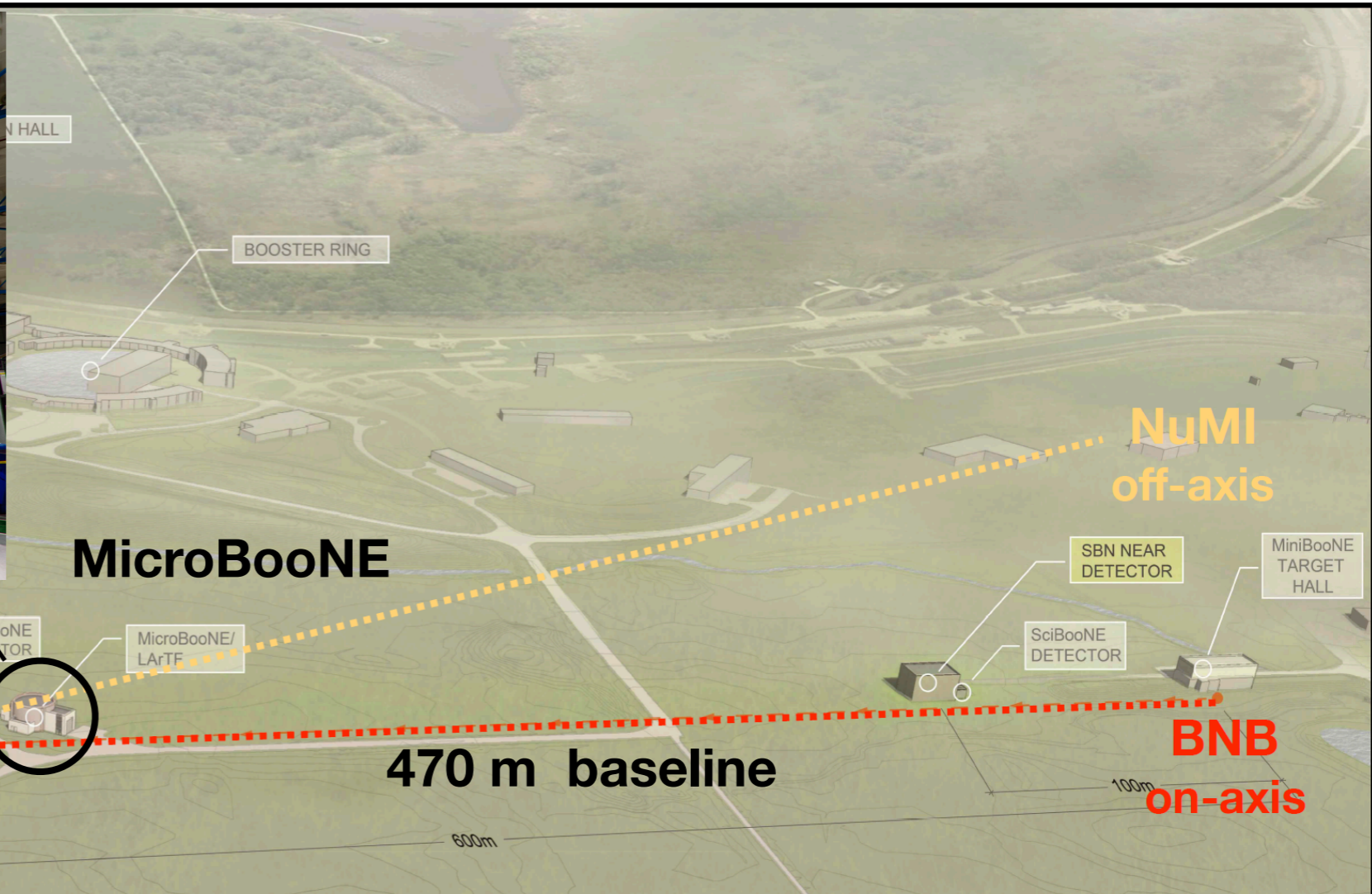
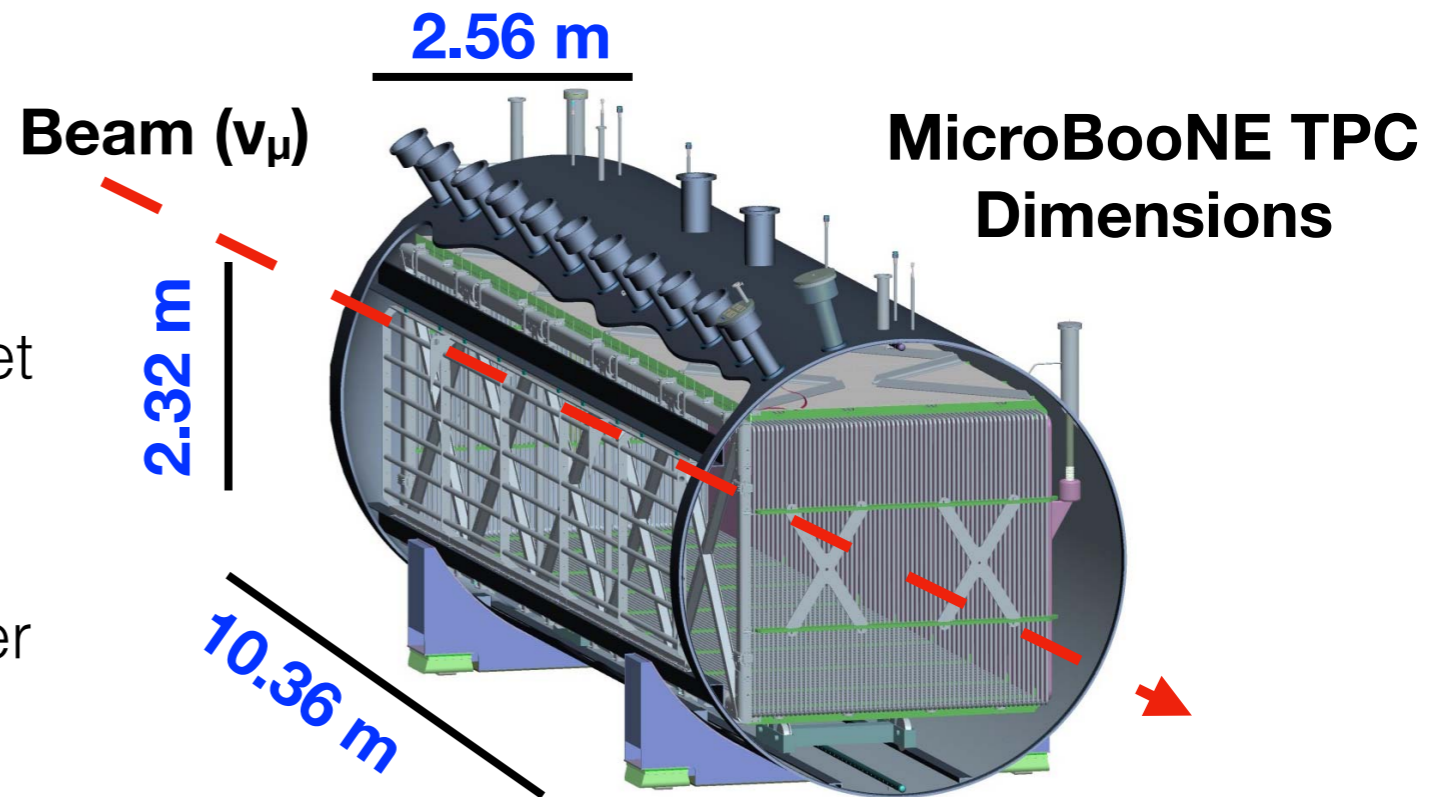
The Main Goals of the MicroBooNE



- To study short baseline neutrino oscillations, primarily the low energy excess (LEE) observed by MiniBooNE experiment
 - Is the LEE due to sterile neutrino(s) oscillations or backgrounds unpredicted by MiniBooNE
- High statistics precision measurement of ν - Ar cross sections ~ 1 GeV
 - Critical both for MicroBooNE and future LArTPC neutrino oscillation experiments
- Supernova searches

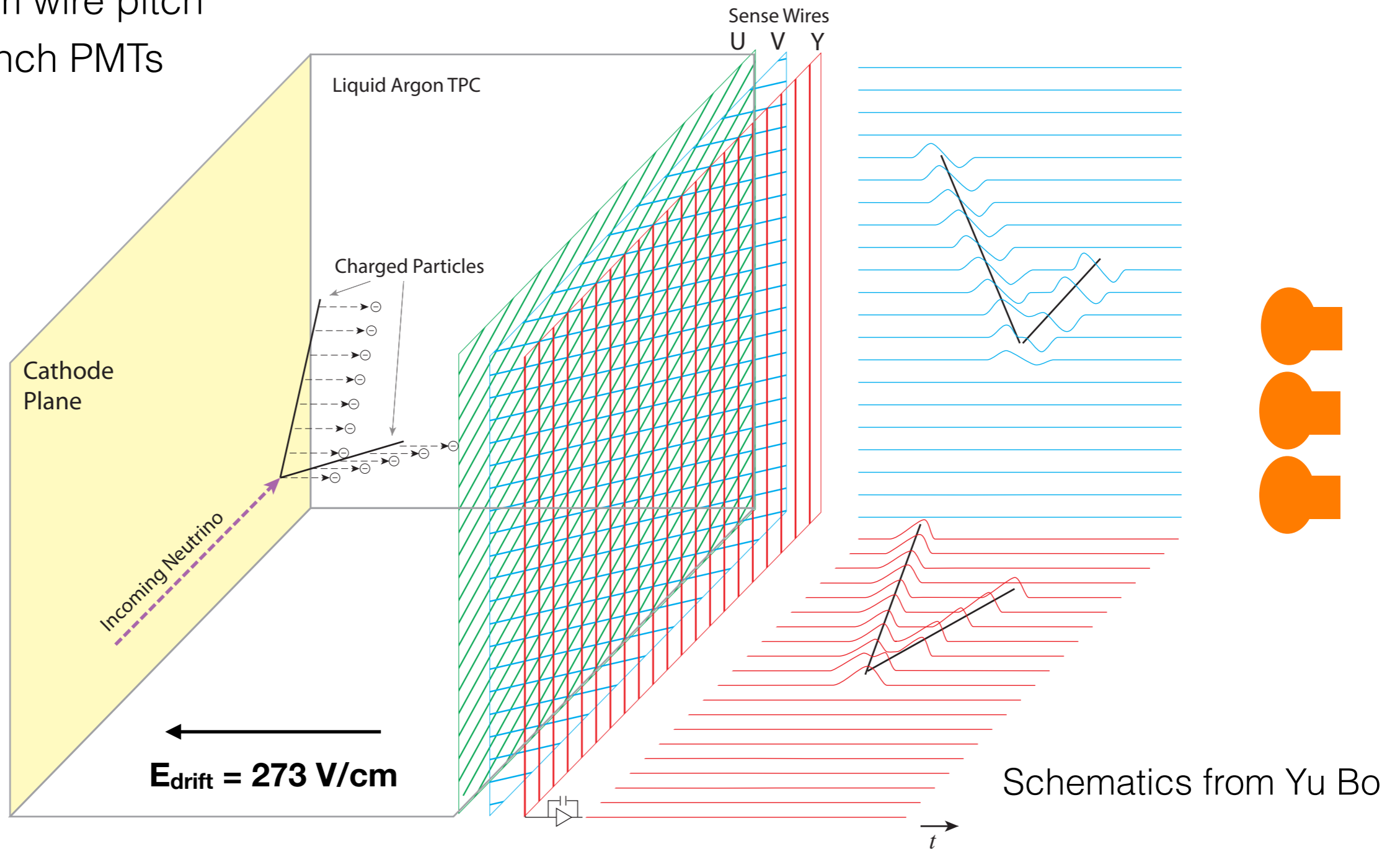
The MicroBooNE Experiment

- Accelerator ν experiment
- 8 GeV proton beam on beryllium target
- 800 MeV average ν energy
- 470 m baseline
- Liquid Argon Time Projection Chamber (LArTPC) with 85 ton active mass

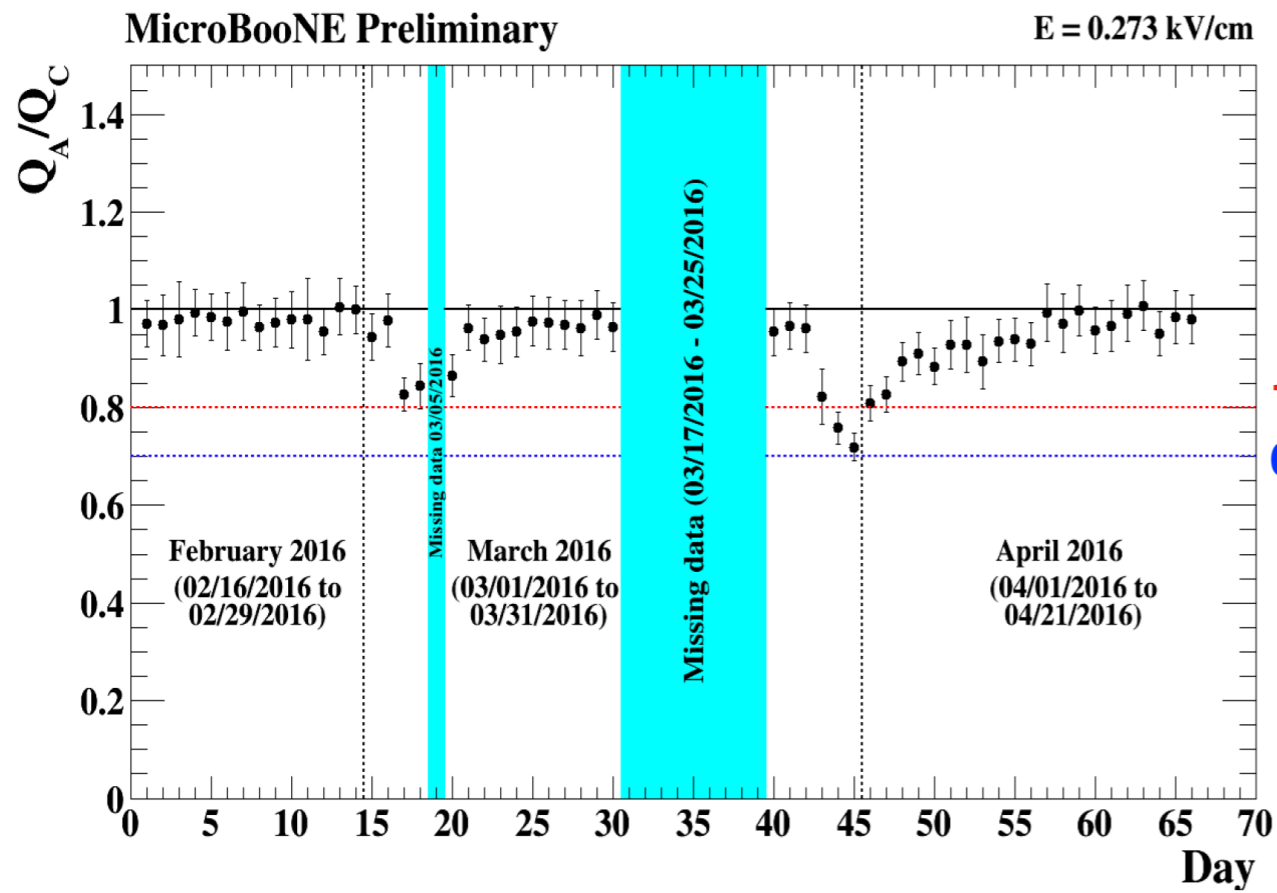


MicroBooNE Uses LArTPC Technology

- 3 wire planes with 8192 wires
 - 1 collection and 2 induction planes
 - 3 mm wire pitch
- 32 8-inch PMTs

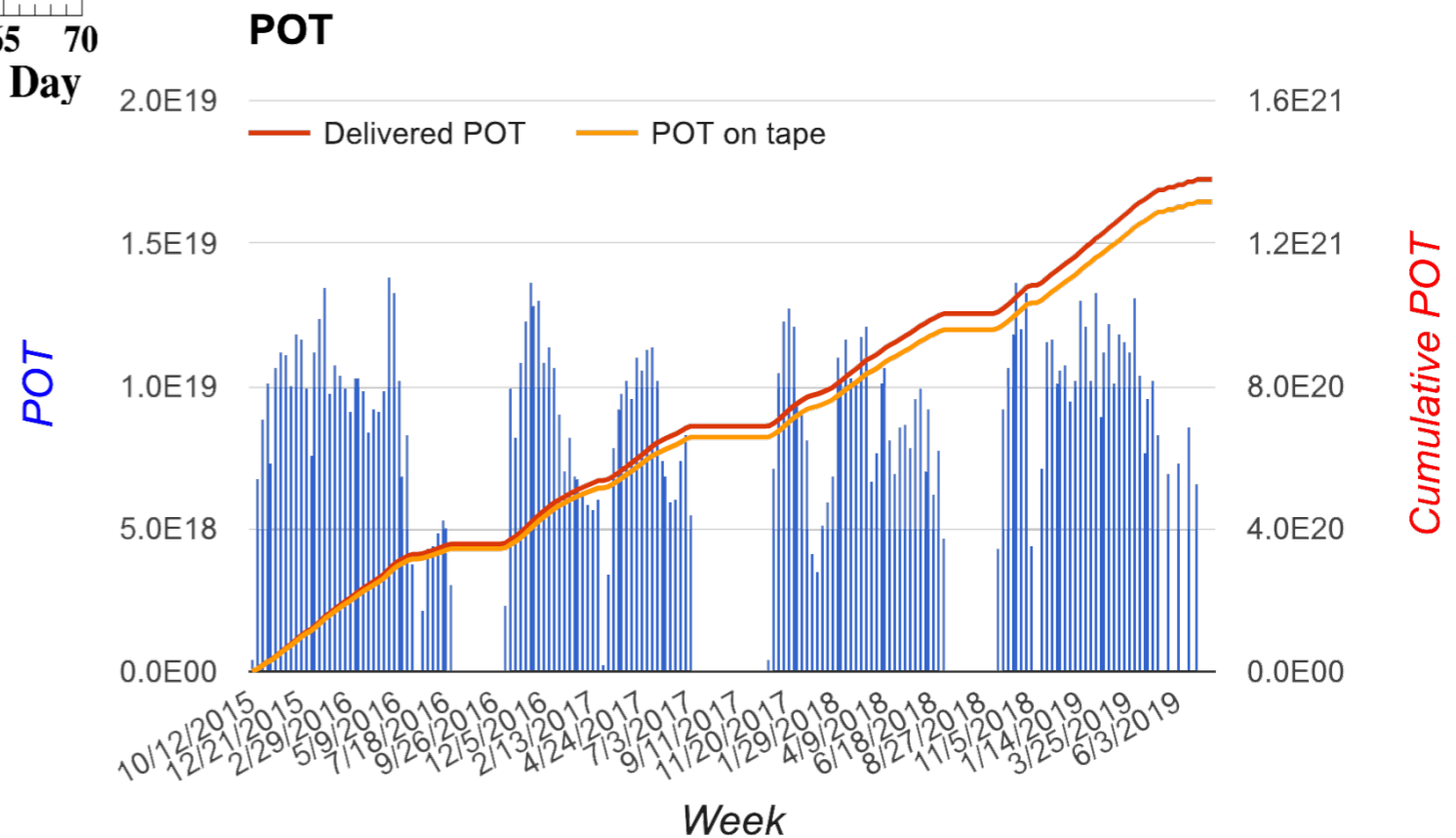


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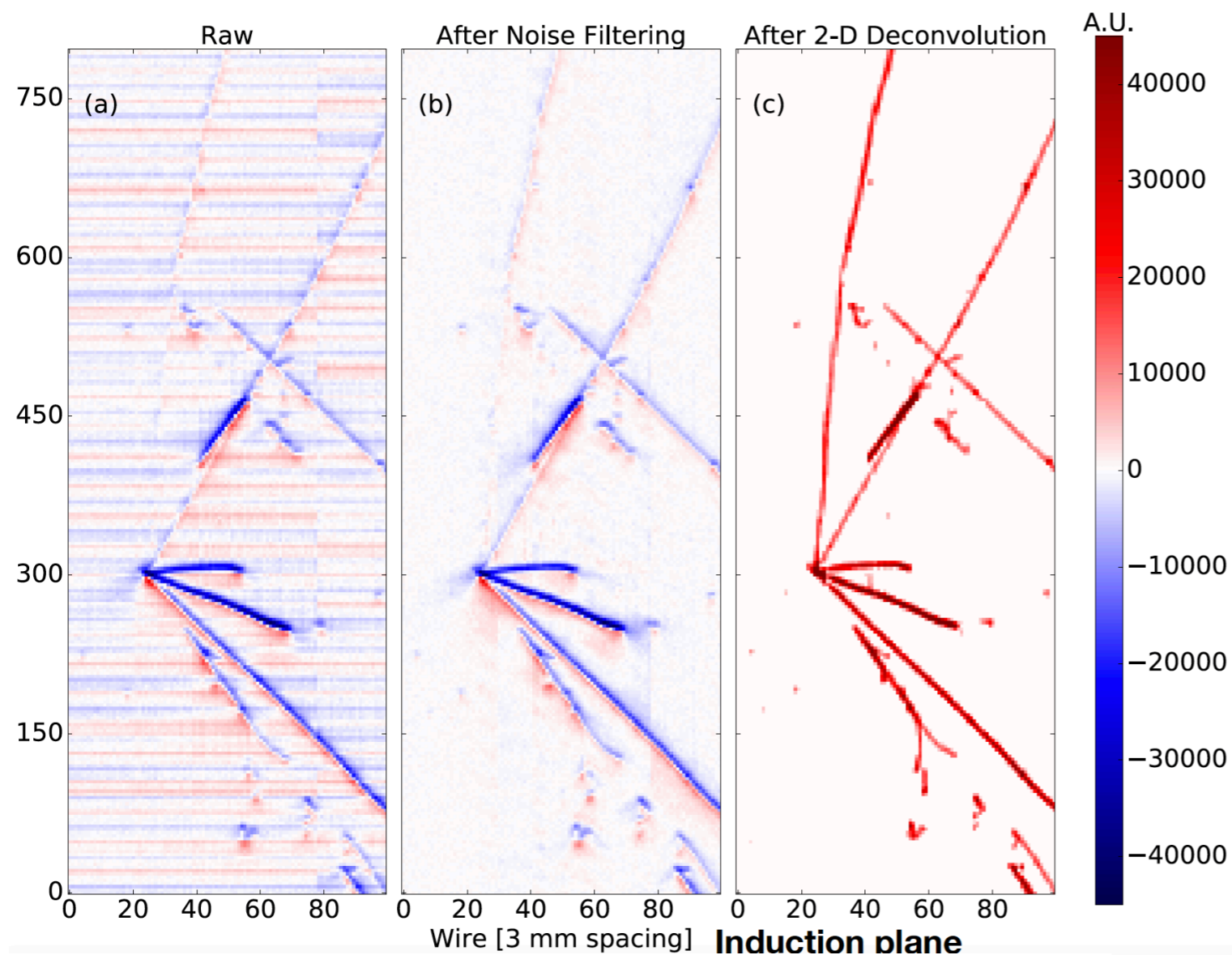
- Argon purity is critical for LArTPC operation,
 - Measured as the fraction of charge detected at its anode relative to its cathode
 - Electron lifetime is very high

- Data taking started in October 2015, now it is the longest running LArTPC to date
 - 1.34×10^{21} Protons On Target (POT) delivered now



Noise Filtering and Signal Processing

Detailed characterization of the detector is key to our Physics and to our R&D mission for future detectors



- Powerful filtering techniques can address many sources of noise
- Excellent characterization of multiple wire signal response (2D-deconvolution)
- Robust signal processing allows calorimetry in all three planes (enabling induction planes)

- “Ionization Electron Signal Processing in Single Phase LAr TPCs I and II”, **JINST 13, P07006 (2018) & JINST 13, P07007 (2018)**
- “Noise Characterization and Filtering in the MicroBooNE Liquid Argon TPC”, **JINST 12, P08003 (2017)**

A Charged Current ν_μ Event in Data

μ BooNE

Collection Plane

Cosmic Ray
Proton Track
 ν Beam
Pion Track

Cosmic Ray

Cosmic Ray

More Charge Deposited

Time
(Drift direction)

Wire number
(Beam direction)

Muon Track

δ rays

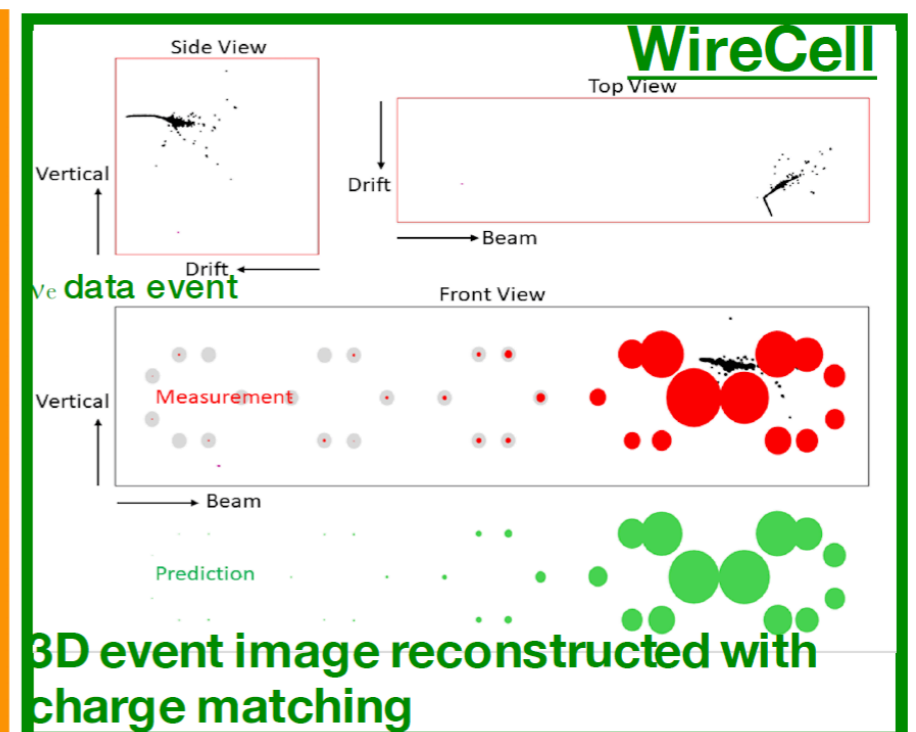
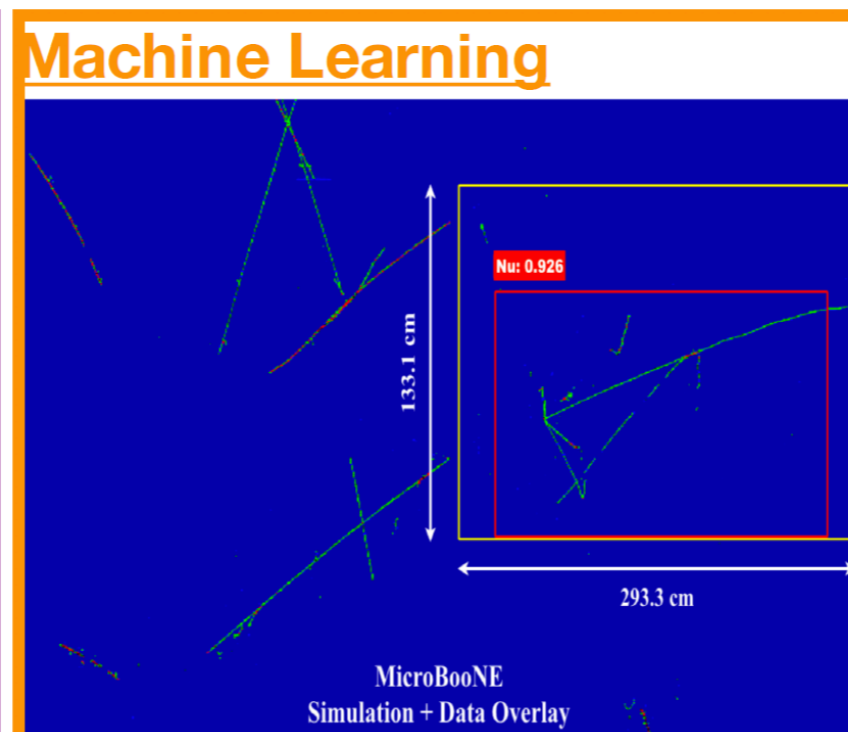
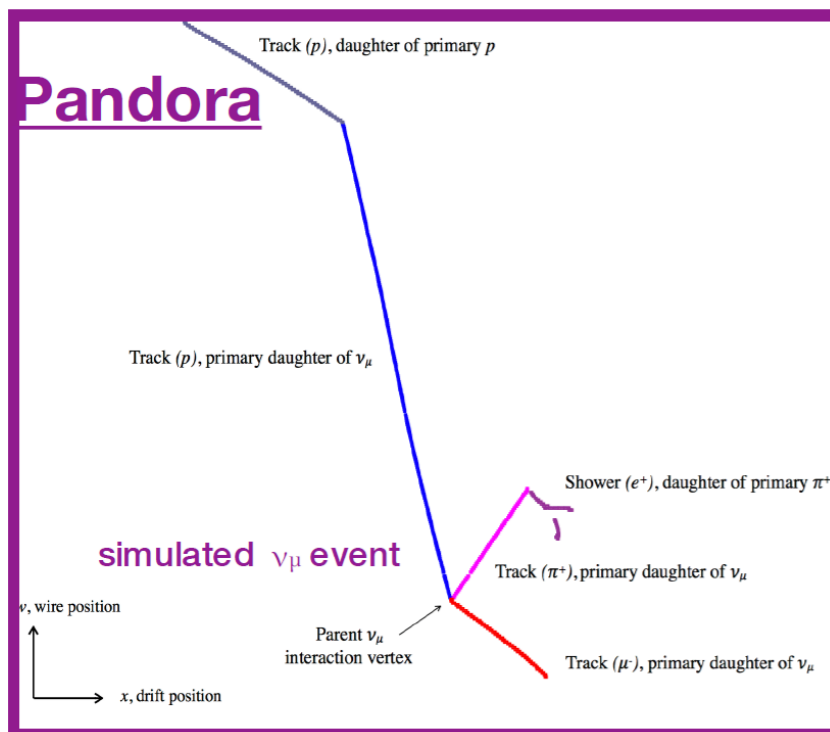
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Run 3469 Event 53223, October 21st, 2015

Event Reconstruction Techniques

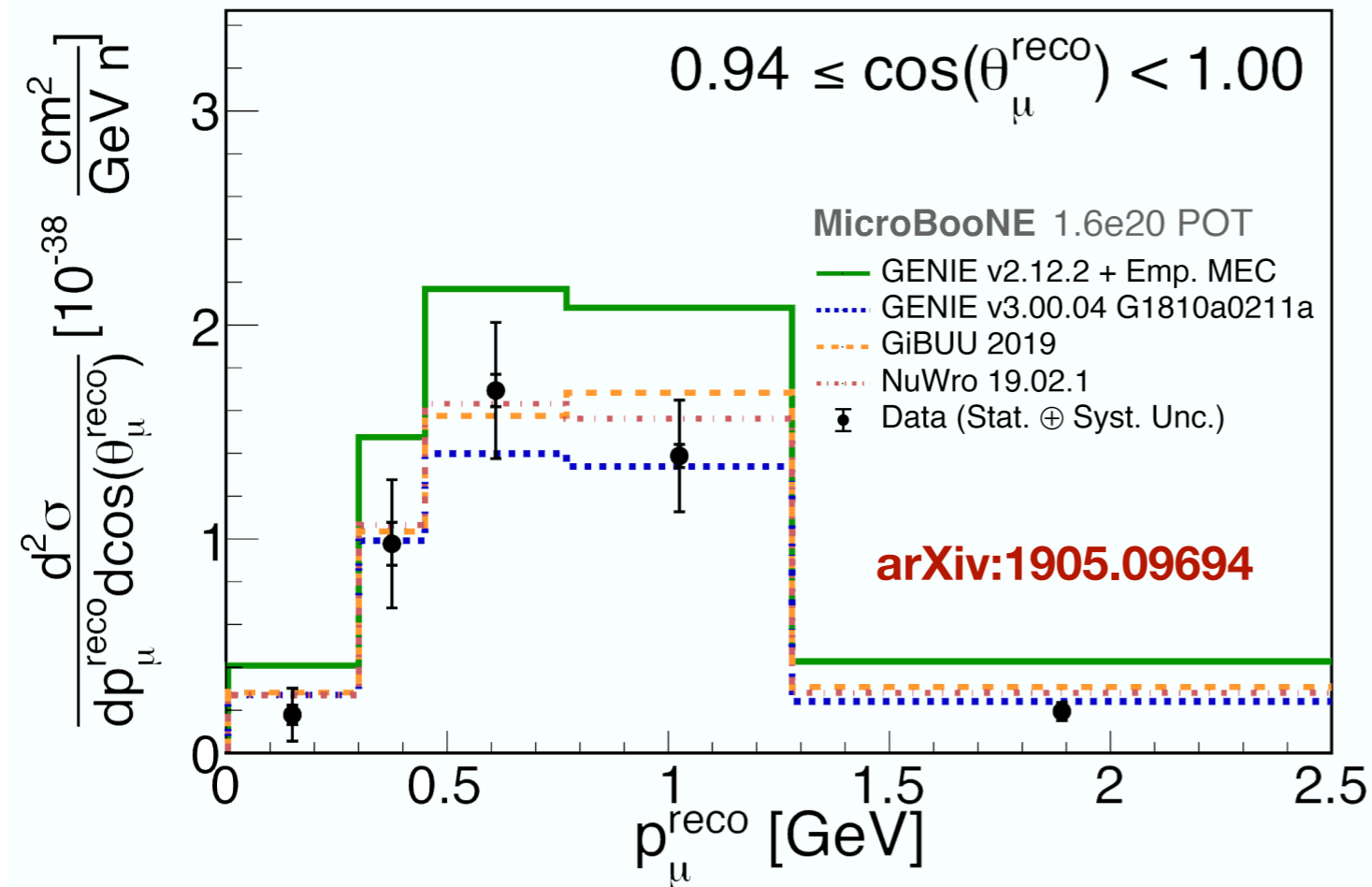
- Different reconstruction techniques have been developed
- Reached high level of sophistication
- Essential for SBN and DUNE

See talk from Hanyu and posters from Katie and Joshua for more details on event reconstructions



- “The Pandora Multi-Algorithm Approach to Automated Pattern Recognition of Cosmic Ray Muon and Neutrino Events in the MicroBooNE Detector”, **Eur. Phys. J. C78, 1, 82 (2018)**”
- “Convolutional Neural Networks Applied to Neutrino Events in a Liquid Argon Time Projection Chamber”, **JINST 12, P03011 (2017)**”
- “Towards automated neutrino selection at MicroBooNE using tomographic event reconstruction”, **MICROBOONE-NOTE-1040-PUB, 2018**”

ν_μ Charge Current Inclusive Cross Section Measurement



- $\nu_\mu + Ar \rightarrow \mu^- + X$
- 26 k events (1.6×10^{20} POT data) used in the measurement
- Full muon momentum and muon angle coverage
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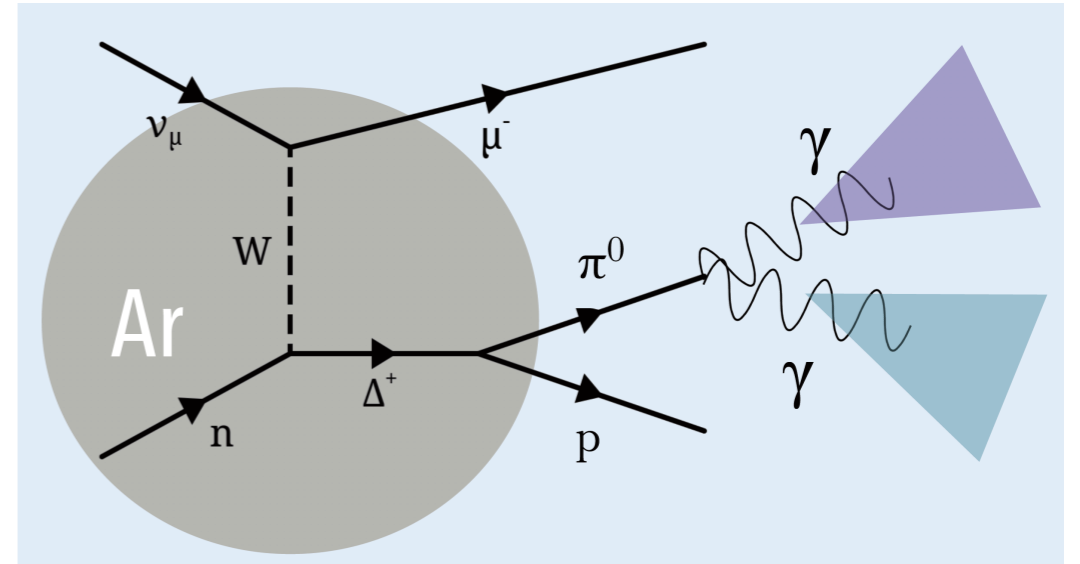
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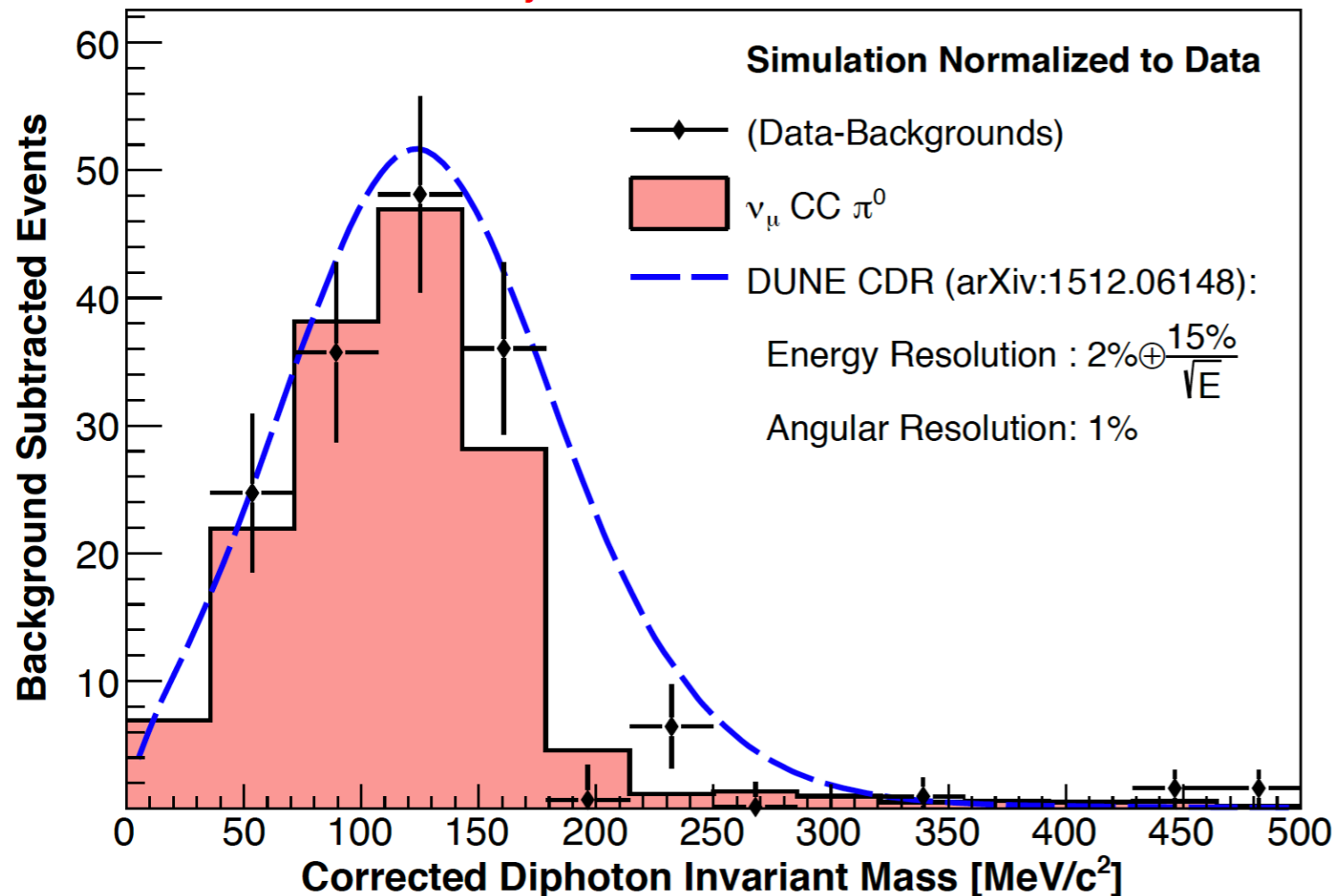
Charge Current π^0 Exclusive Cross Section Measurement

- Understanding π^0 background is a crucial step towards searching for LEE
- First implementation of fully automated shower reconstruction to analyze LArTPC data
- First charge current single π^0 cross section measurement in $\nu_\mu + \text{Ar}$ interactions



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1.62e20 POT



$$\nu_\mu + \text{Ar} \rightarrow \mu^- + \pi^0 + X$$

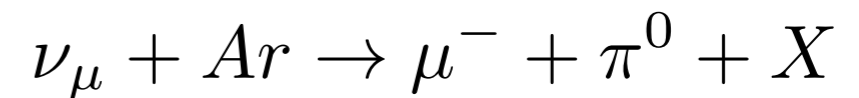
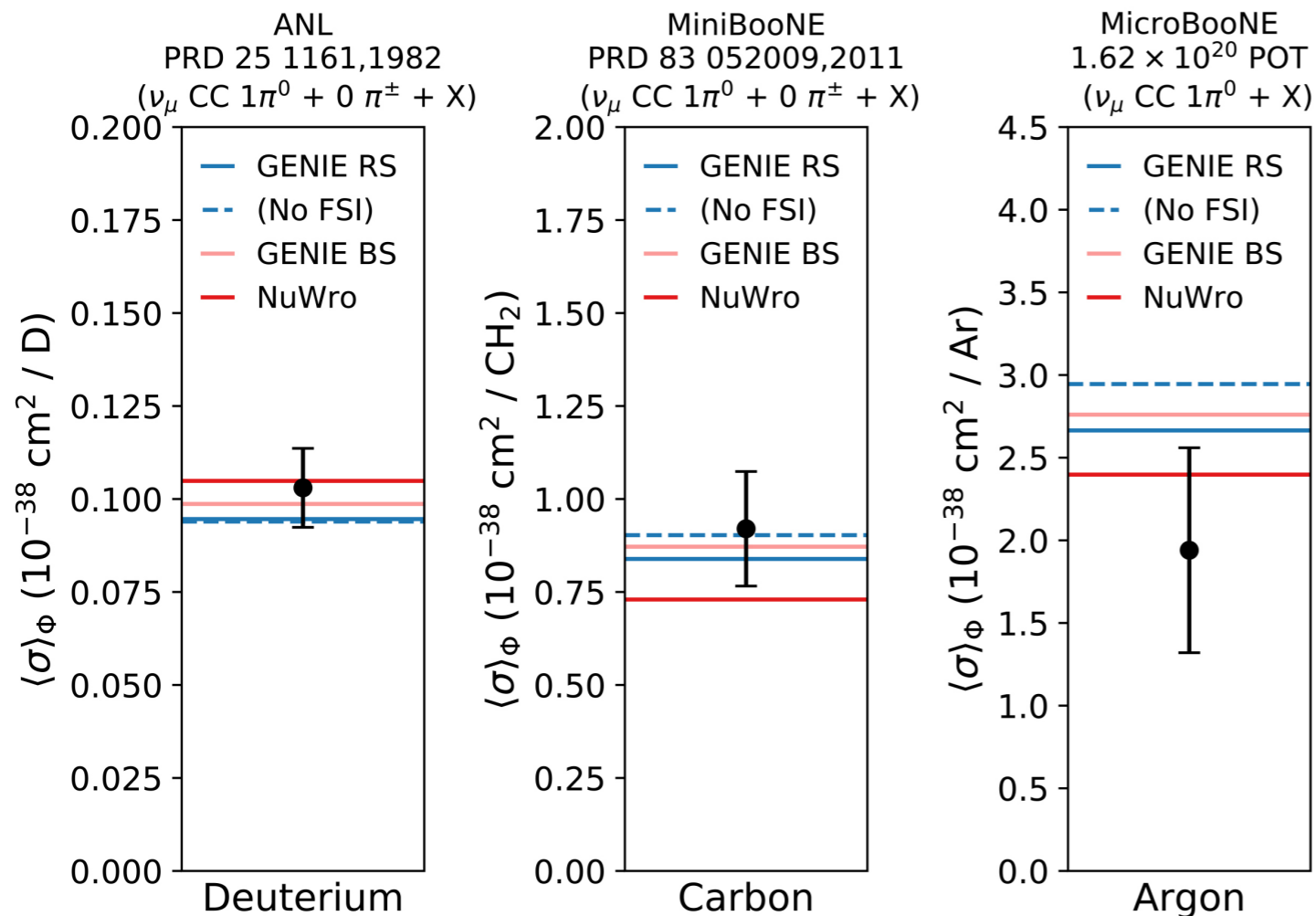
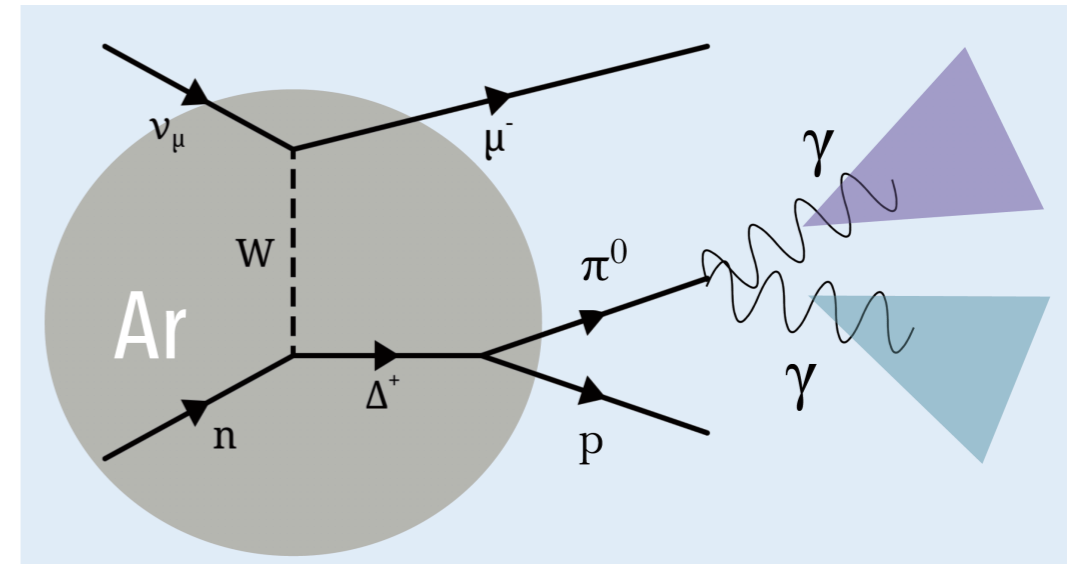
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“First Measurement of ν_μ charged-current π^0 production on argon with the MicroBooNE detector” **Phys. Rev. D 99, 091102 (2019)**

Charge Current π^0 Exclusive Cross Section Measurement

- Verified the scaling used in models for larger nuclei is consistent with our data
- This measurement enables us to perform comparisons with past measurements on deuterium and carbon



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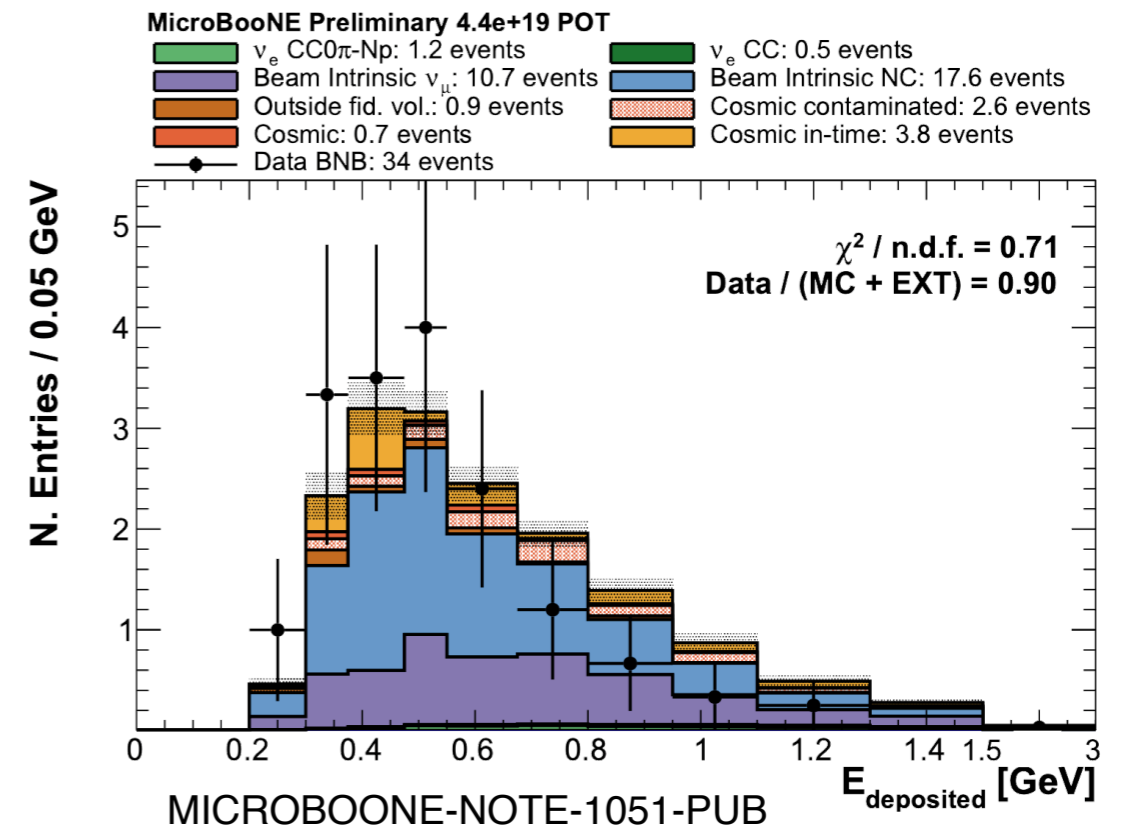
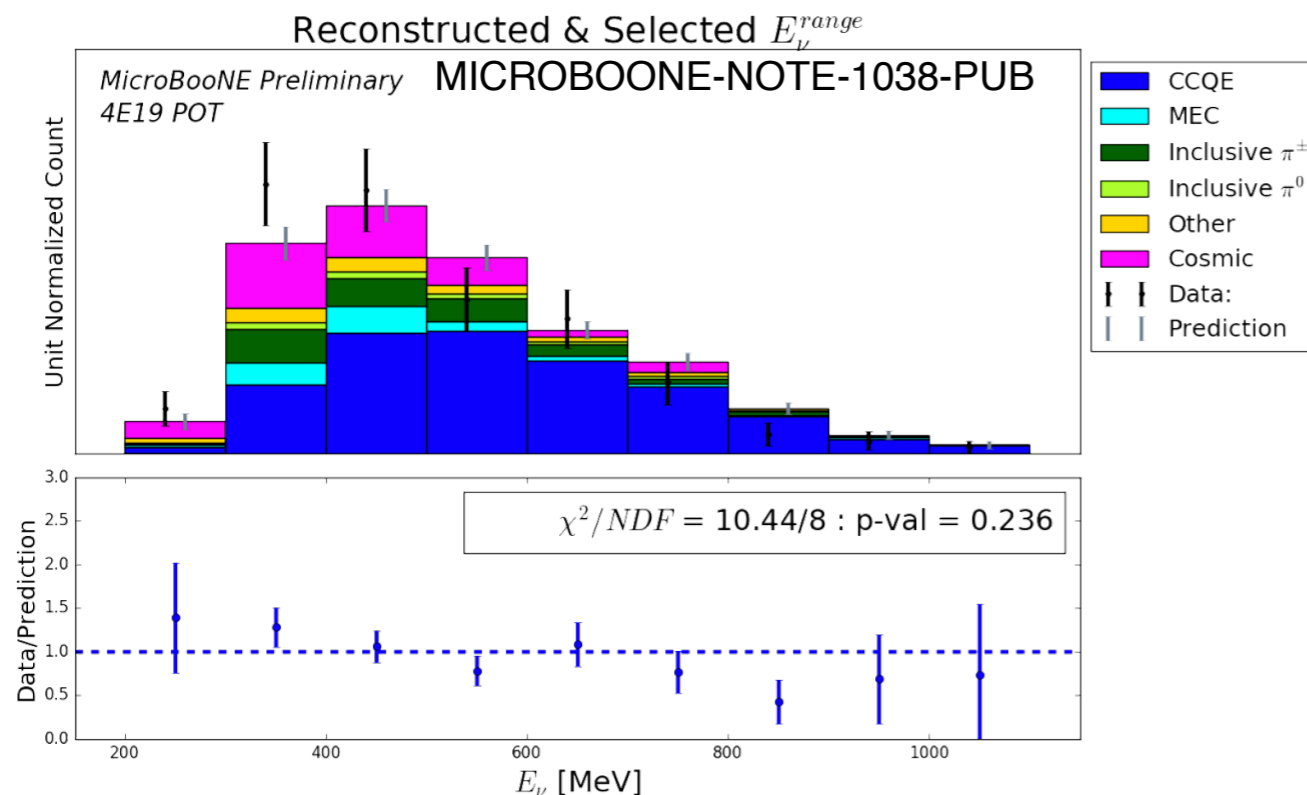
- ($1e^- + X, 1e^- + 1p, 1e^- + Np$ final states)

- ▶ Requiring exclusive final states to maximize removal of backgrounds.

- Simultaneous $\nu_e - \nu_\mu$ fit to constrain flux and cross section uncertainties

- Backgrounds constraints from data using sidebands

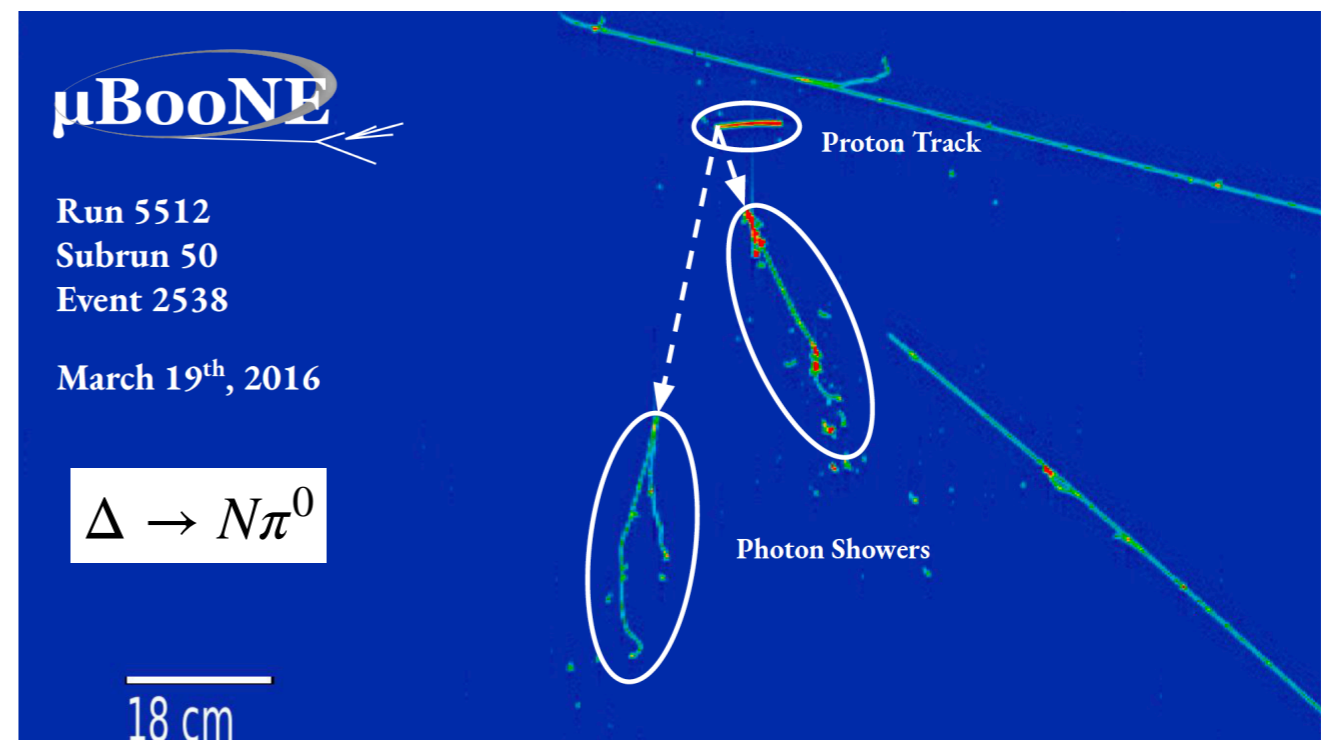
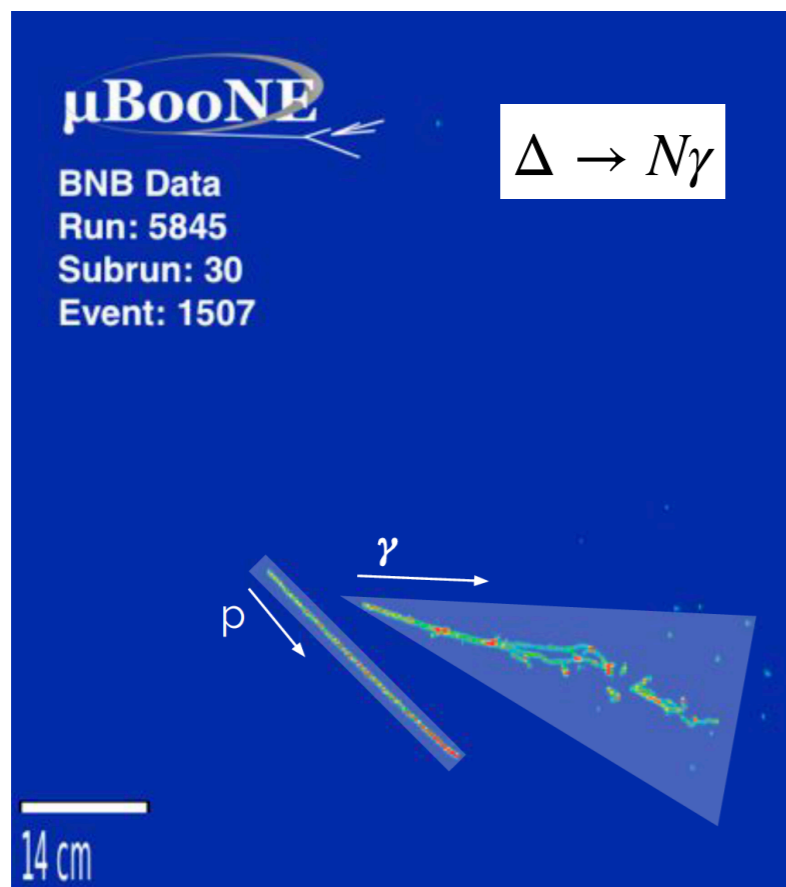
See Ralitsa's talk for more on
electron-like LEE searches



Paths Toward Low Energy Excess (LEE) Results

- Photon-like LEE searches
 - $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma$ ($1\gamma 0p, 1\gamma 1p$ final states)
 - Never been measured before in a neutrino experiment
 - Use NC π^0 production to constrain the expected rate of radiative decays
 - Using a powerful Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) to distinguish signal from cosmic background

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MicroBooNE Publications and Public Notes

32 public notes

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Summary

- MicroBooNE has been taking data since the Fall of 2015
- We made enormous progress in understanding the detector and the LArTPC technology
- We have begun to utilize the full promise of the LArTPC to test our neutrino interaction models in GENIE
- We performed our first ν_μ CC inclusive cross section measurement in $\nu_\mu + \text{Ar}$ interactions
- We first measured the ν_μ charged current single π^0 total cross sections in $\nu_\mu + \text{Ar}$ interactions
- We making good progress towards LEE results

MicroBooNE Talks/Posters at DPF 2019

- **Measurements of Charged-Current Muon-Neutrino interactions on Argon at MicroBooNE**
 - Michael Kirby (17:15, July 29, Neutrino Physics Session)
- **Status of the MicroBooNE eLEE search and application of deep learning to LArTPC data**
 - Ralitsa Sharankova (16:00, July 30, Neutrino Physics Session)
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 - Kathryn Sutton (16:15, July 30, Neutrino Physics Session)
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 - Andrew Mogan (16:35, July 30, Neutrino Physics Session)
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 - Hanyu Wei (16:00, July 31, Computing, Analysis Tools, & Data Handling Session)
- **Detector Physics with MicroBooNE**
 - Raquel Castillo (16:36, July 31, Particle Detector Session)
- **Using Convolutional Neural Networks to Reconstruct Dead Channels in MicroBooNE**
 - Katie Mason (August 1st, Poster Session)
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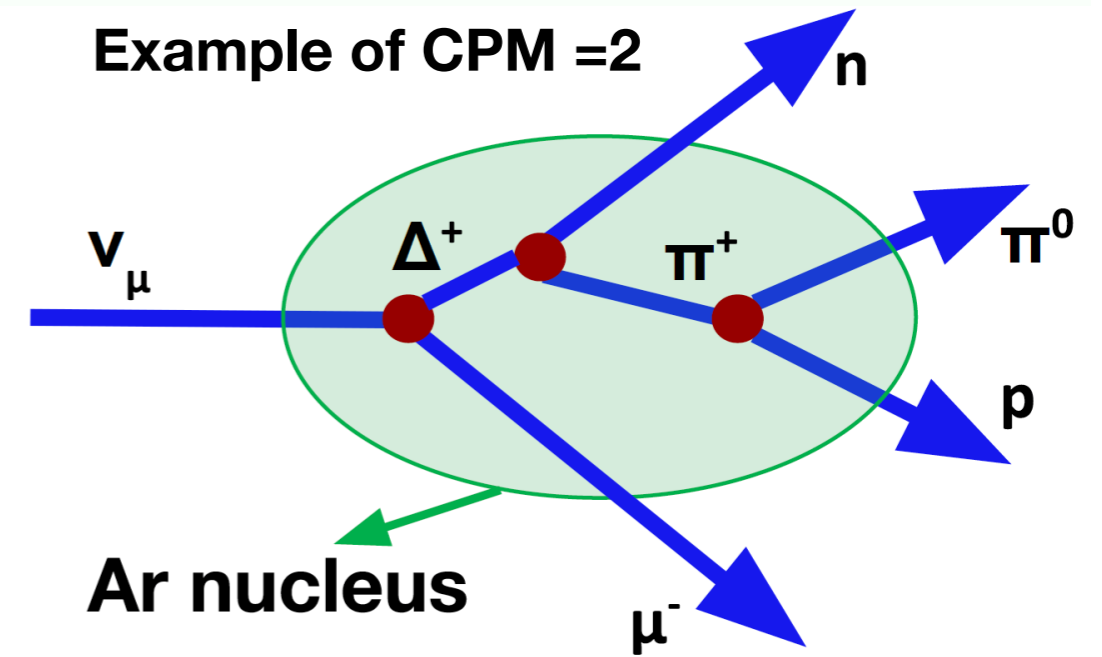


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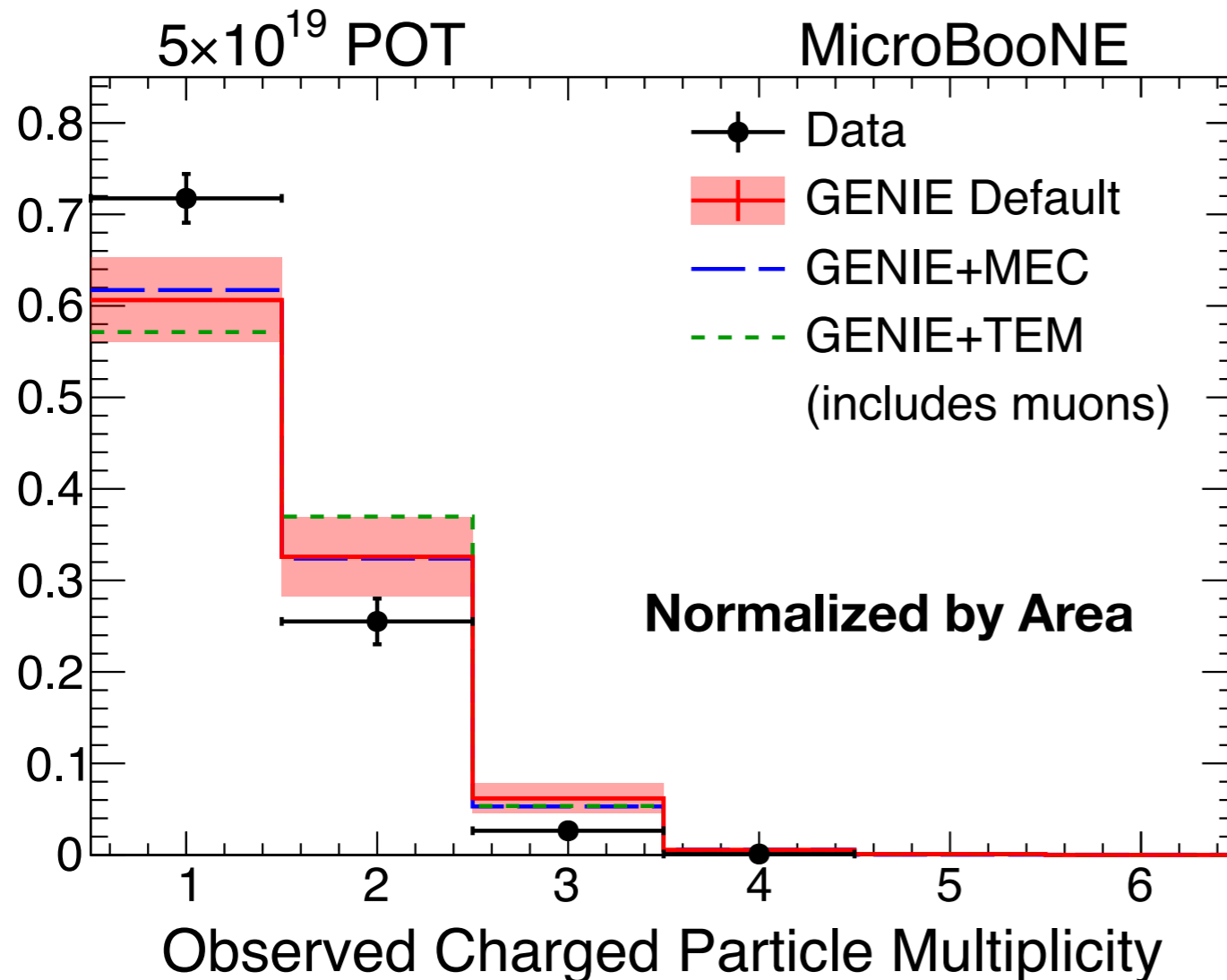
Charge Particle Multiplicity (CPM)

- How many charged particles emerge from the nucleus in $\nu_\mu - \text{Ar}$ interactions?
 - Powerful way to validate nuclear models and generators

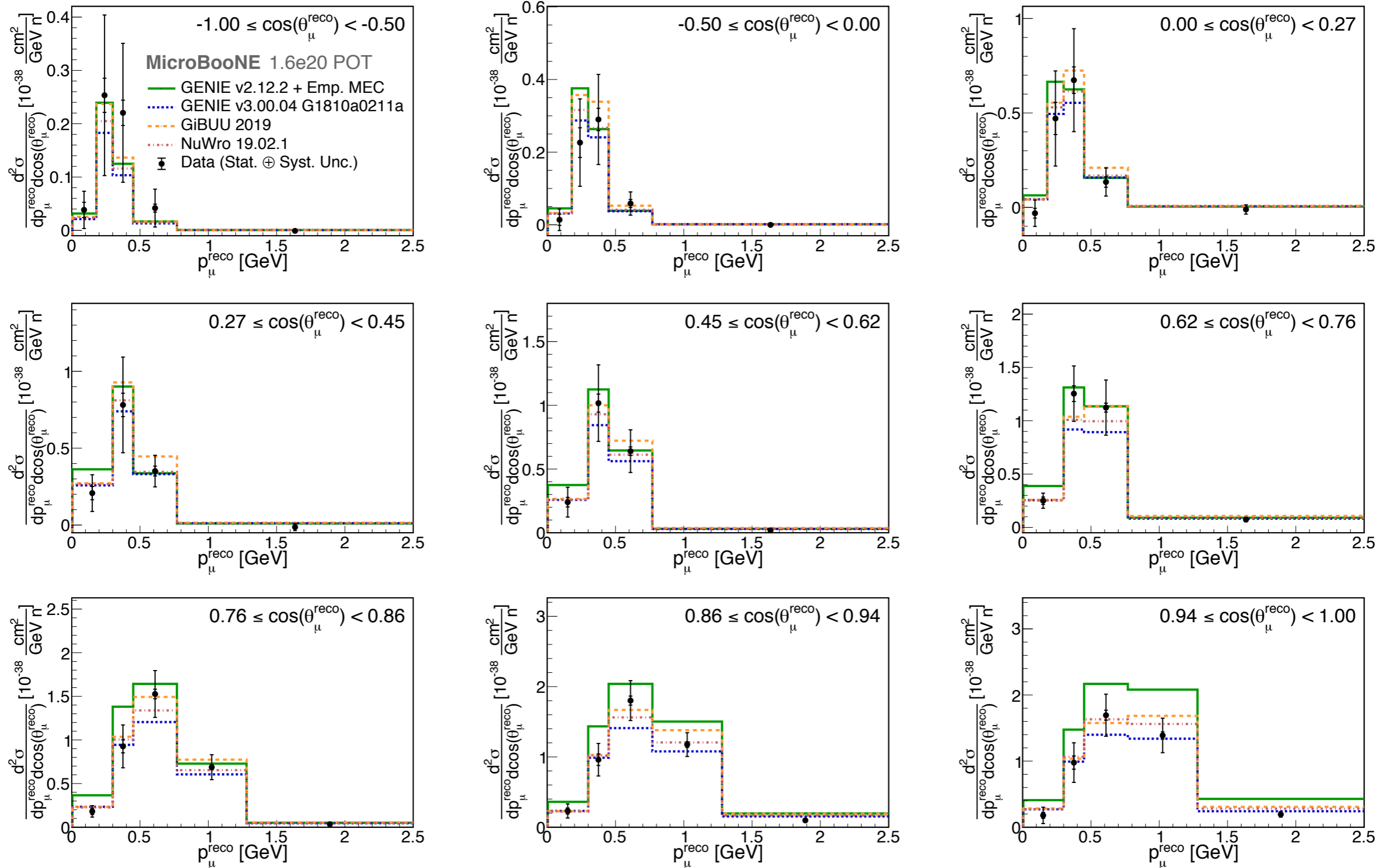


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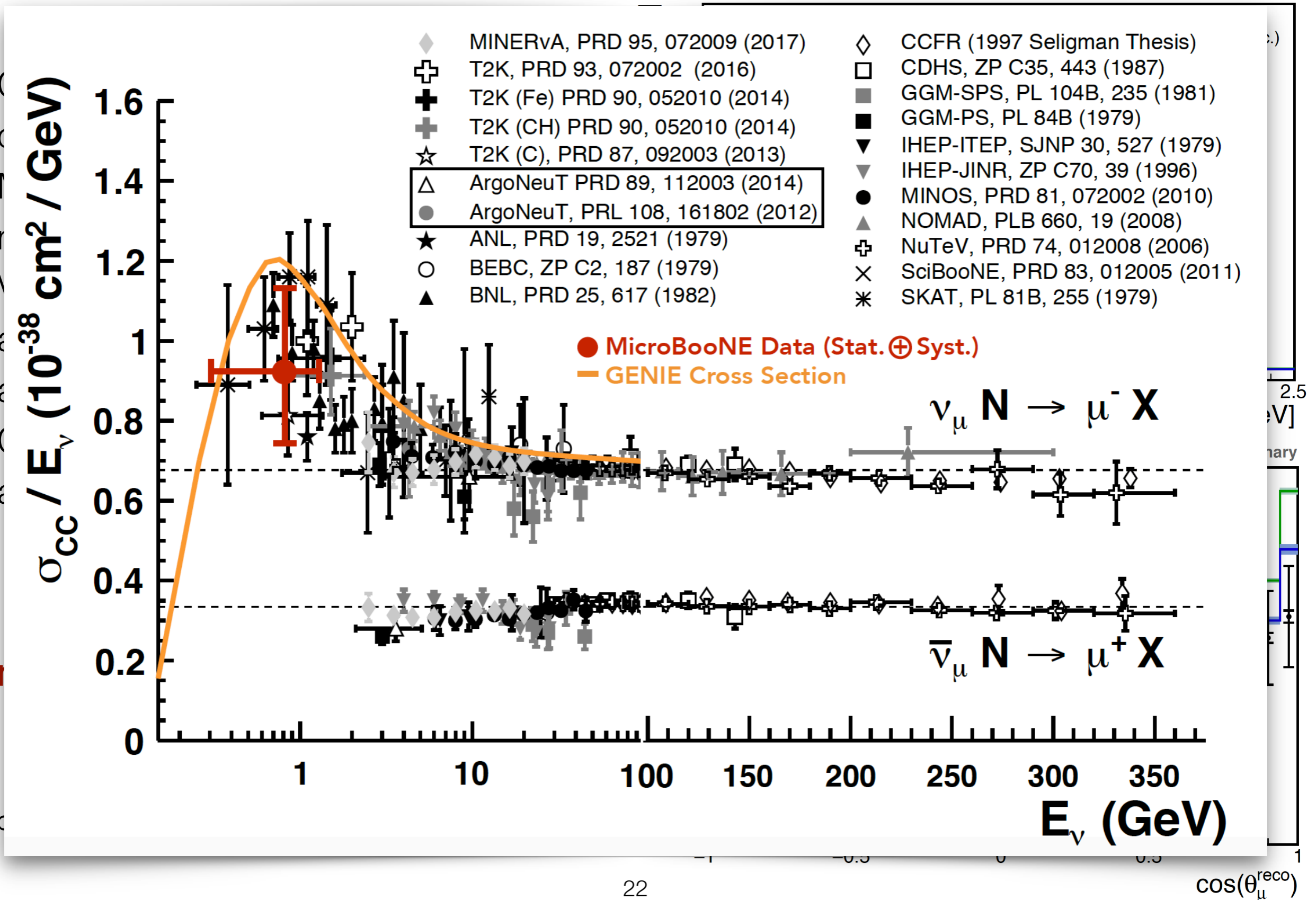


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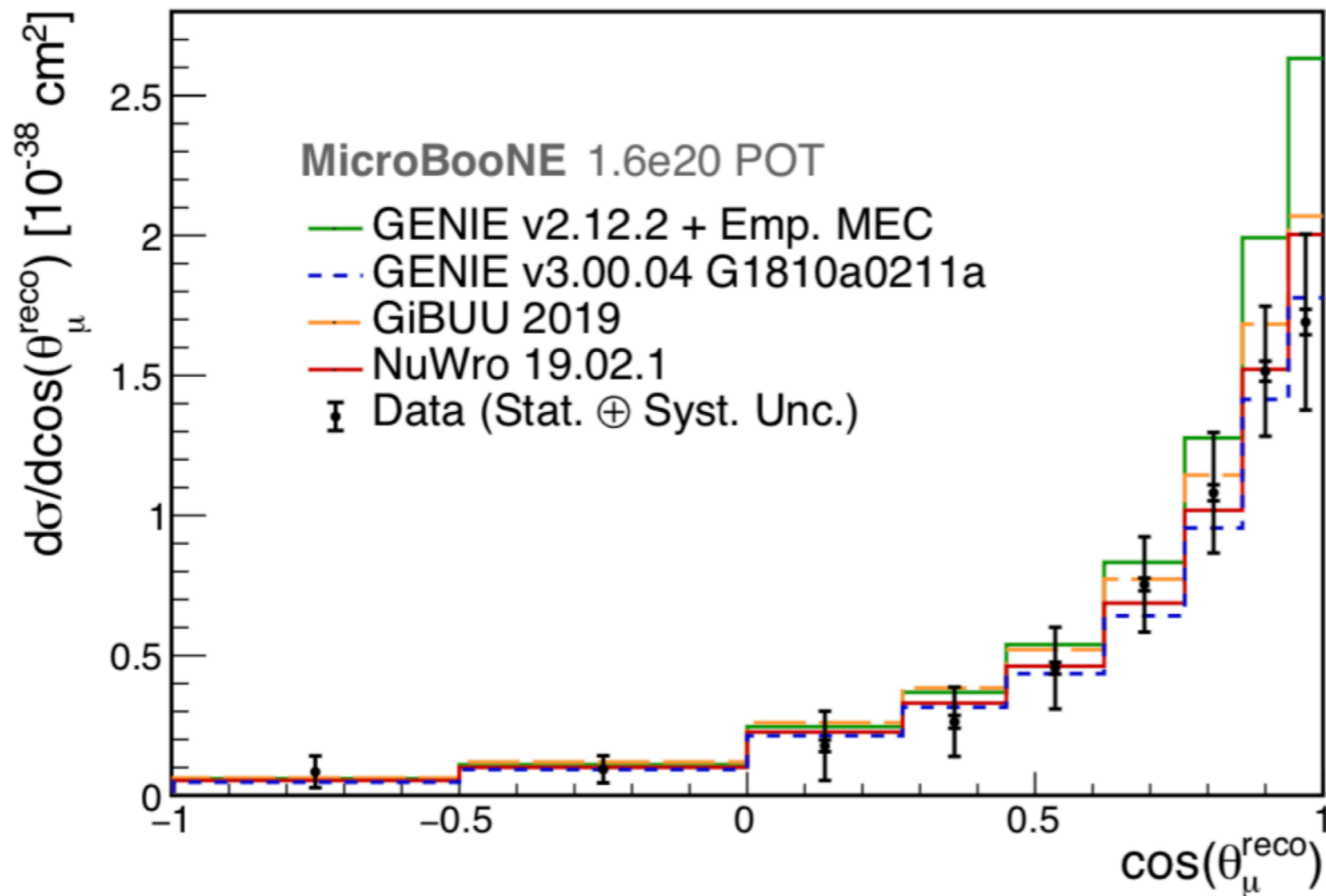


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