



# MicroBooNE Calibrations

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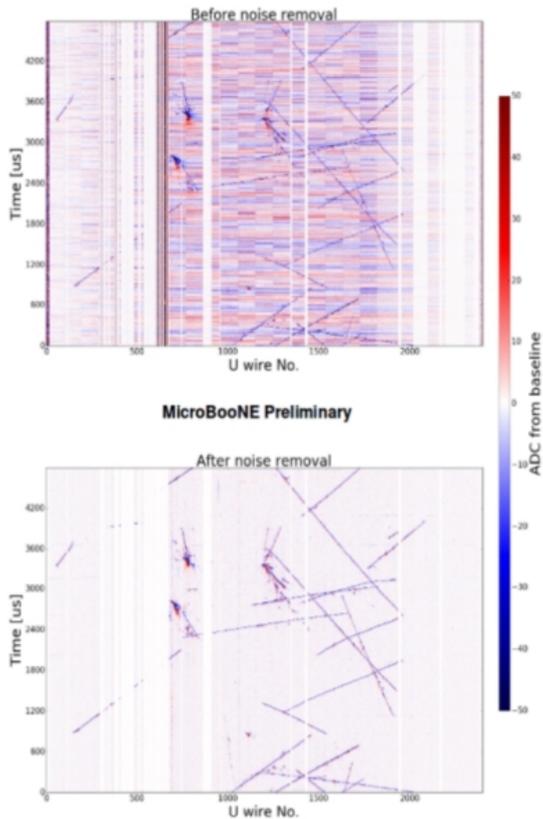
- ◆ Calibrations are an important part of MicroBooNE's physics program
- ◆ Two goals:
  - Ensure data/MC agreement
  - Maximize physics reach of detector technology
- ◆ First point above can in principle be realized by simulating certain effects, but the second requires calibration program
  - Desire is to produce unbiased physics measurements with maximal physics sensitivity
- ◆ Will focus on MicroBooNE today, drawing connections to DUNE FD and ProtoDUNEs where applicable
  - But majority of DUNE-related content will be saved for tomorrow (8:00-8:30 am CT talk by M. Mooney)

- ◆ Two fundamental ways in which adverse detector effects impact reconstruction of data events:
  - Reconstruction inefficiency
  - Misreconstruction (e.g. biased calorimetry)
- ◆ Often both result from a given effect (e.g. utilization of incorrect wire field response function in deconvolution)
- ◆ Primary TPC calibration topics at MicroBooNE:
  - Noise level
  - Electronics response
  - Wire field response
  - Space charge effect
  - Electron lifetime
- ◆ Overview of each in these slides (focus solely on TPC)

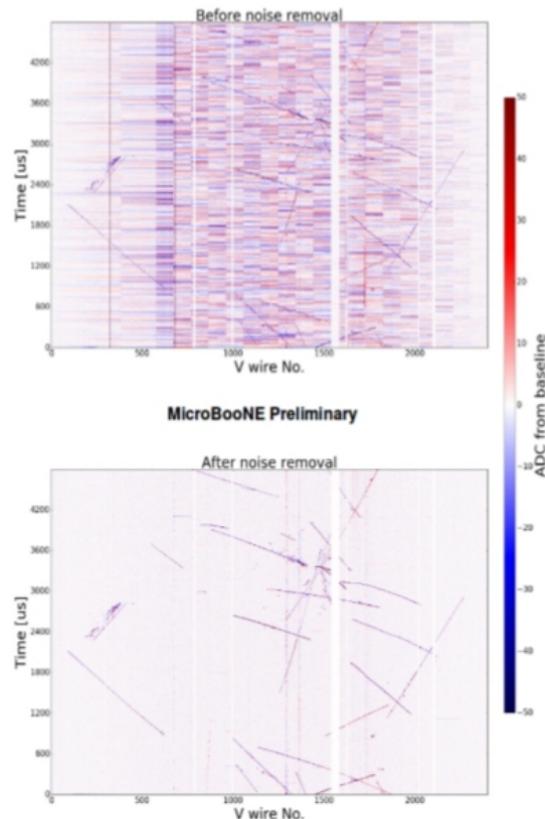
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- ◆ Primary calibration items (e.g. recombination, diffusion, etc.)
  - Noise
  - Electronics
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**Not emphasizing measurements  
 that can be done with other LArTPC  
 experiments or at test stands**

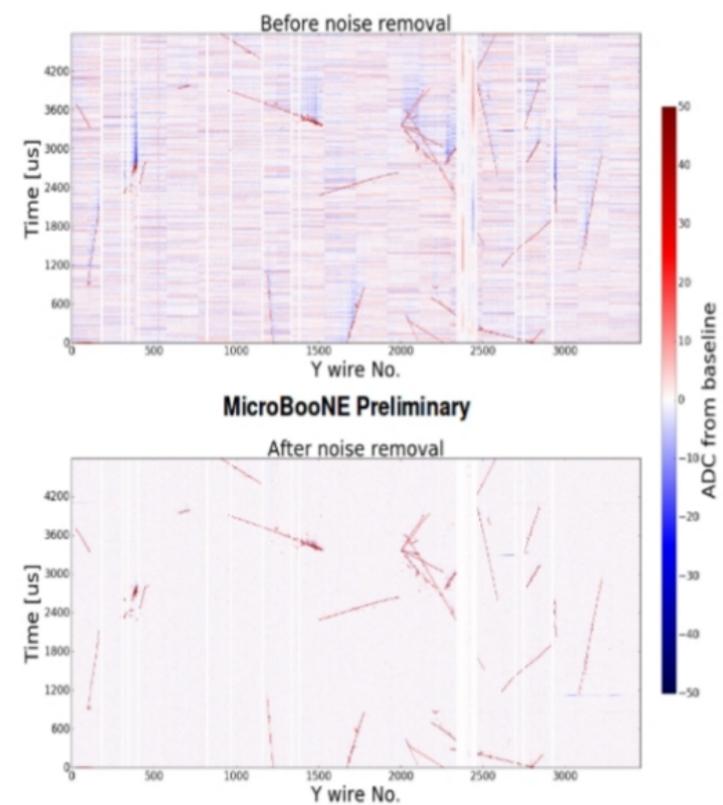
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## Second Induction (V)

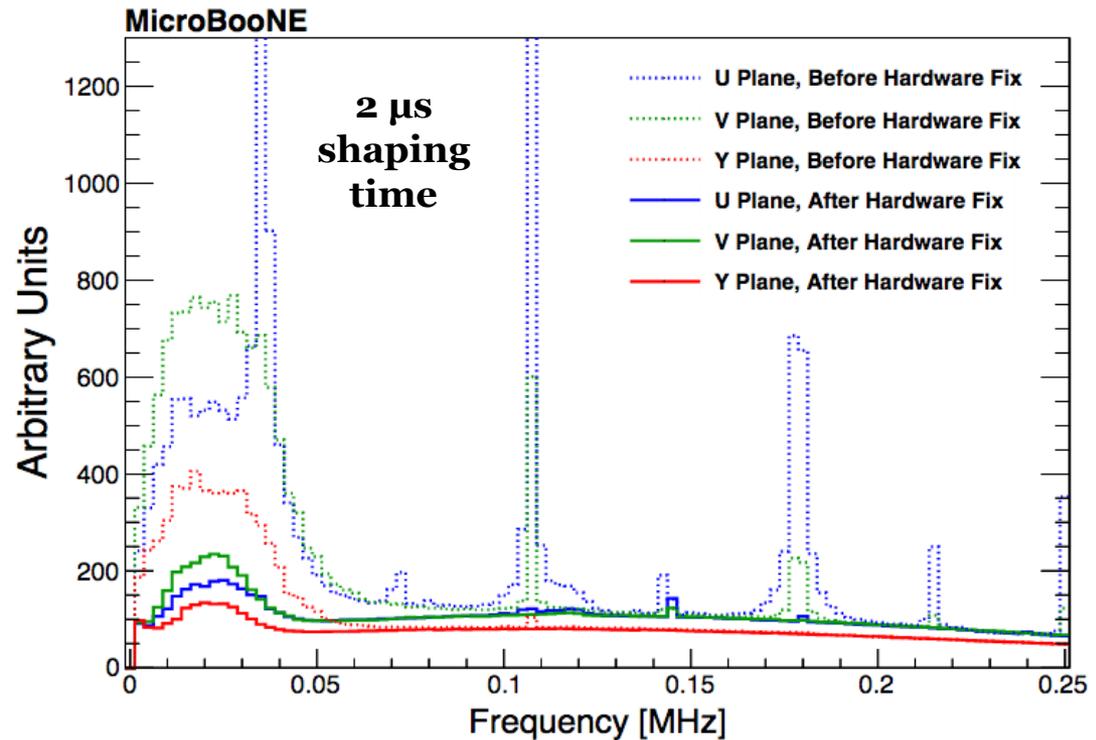
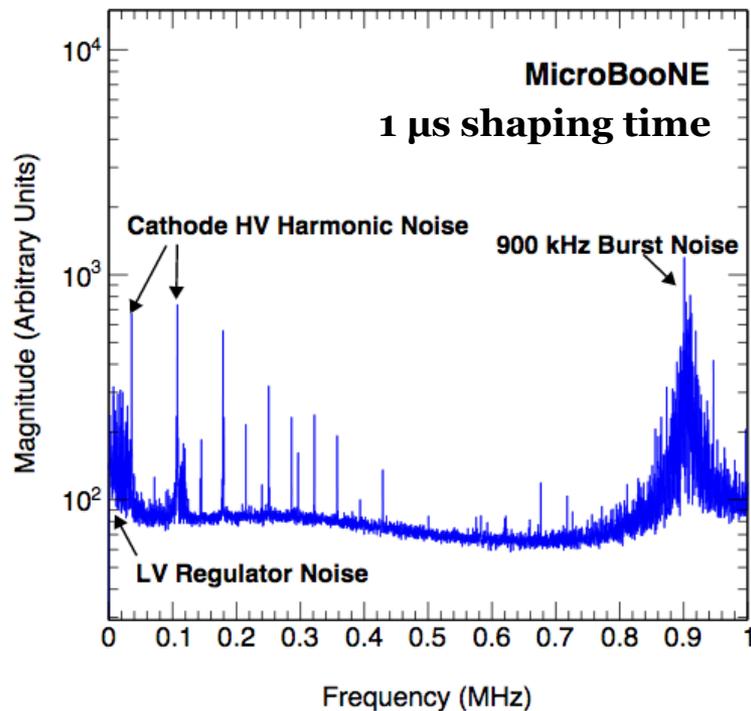


## Collection (Y)



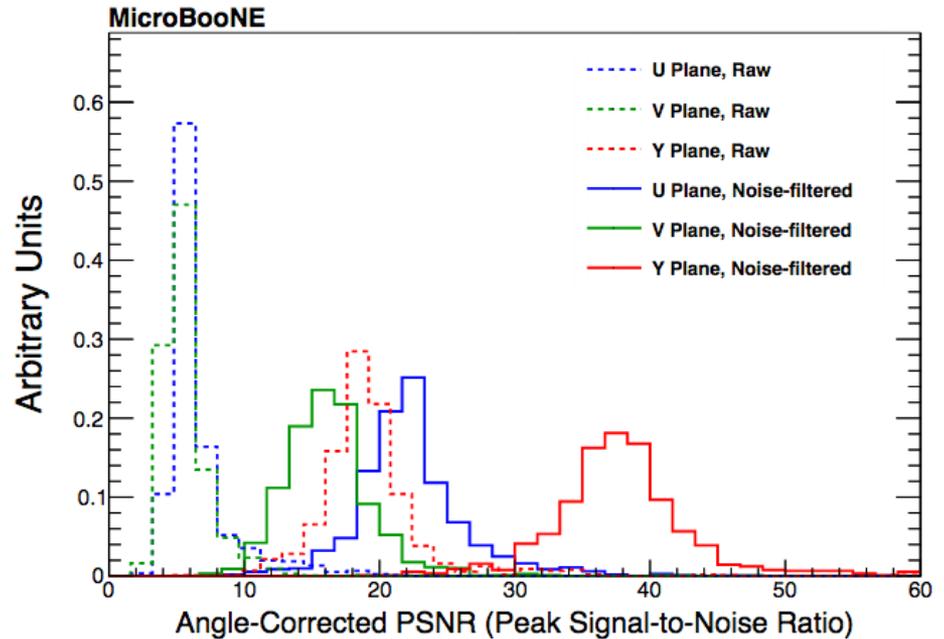
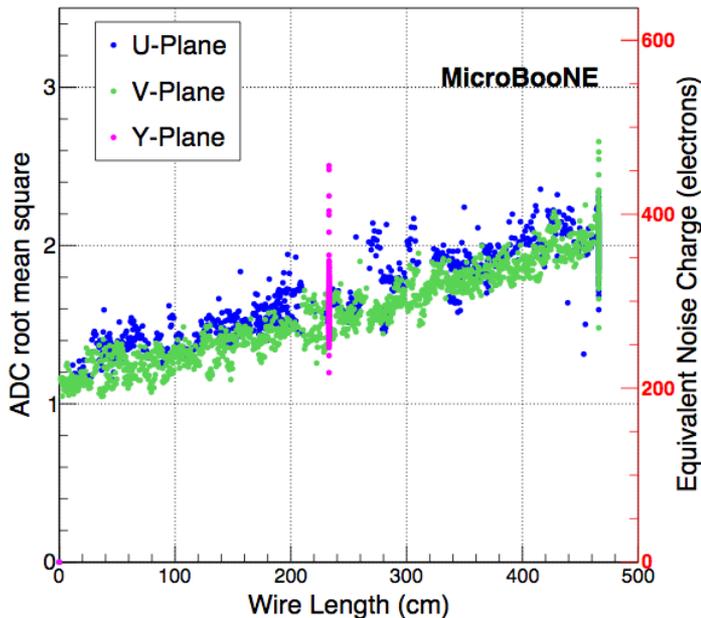
- ◆ First things first: had to address noise level at beginning of operations due to various noise issues (w/ software filter)
  - Later addressed majority of noise issues in hardware

## Example of Excess Noise



- ◆ Characterized noise sources impacting MicroBooNE – see **MicroBooNE noise paper** (recently accepted by JINST)
- ◆ Excess noise largely (~completely) removed in hardware (software)

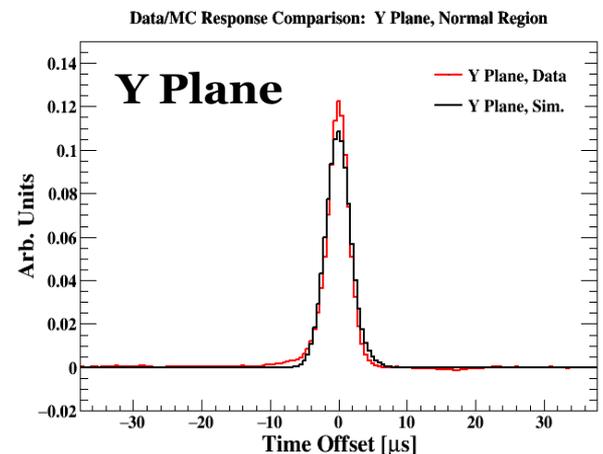
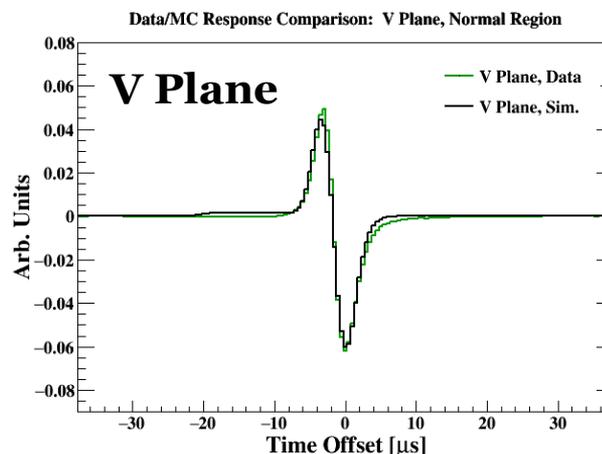
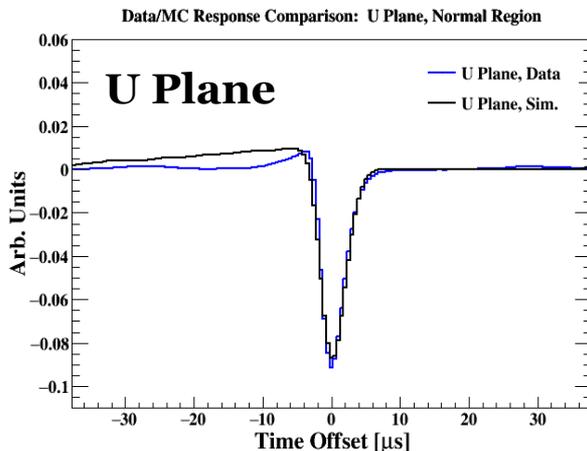
Wire Noise Level in MicroBooNE



- ◆ Events visually clean and noise level scales with wire length
  - Post-filtering: PSNR > 15 (35) for induction (collection) planes
- ◆ Given near-complete removal of noise in data, **we do not simulate excess noise in MC**
  - Instead use **data-driven intrinsic noise spectrum**

- ◆ Several things impact the front-end (FE) electronics response, necessitating calibration
  - Imperfect pole cancellation in shaping circuit (leads to dip after peak in shaping function)
  - Response/gain of intermediate amplifier
  - Different gain in-situ
  - Different shaping time in-situ
- ◆ Use **external pulser** to characterize electronics response
  - Gain and shaping times: 10% bias, uniform to 1%, time-independent
  - Incorporate into deconvolution kernel – could simulate as well
- ◆ (Warm) ADCs not perfect at MicroBooNE, but pretty close
  - Roughly 11.3 ENOB
  - Leads to slightly different amount of unshaped white noise which is accounted for in MC via data-driven noise spectrum

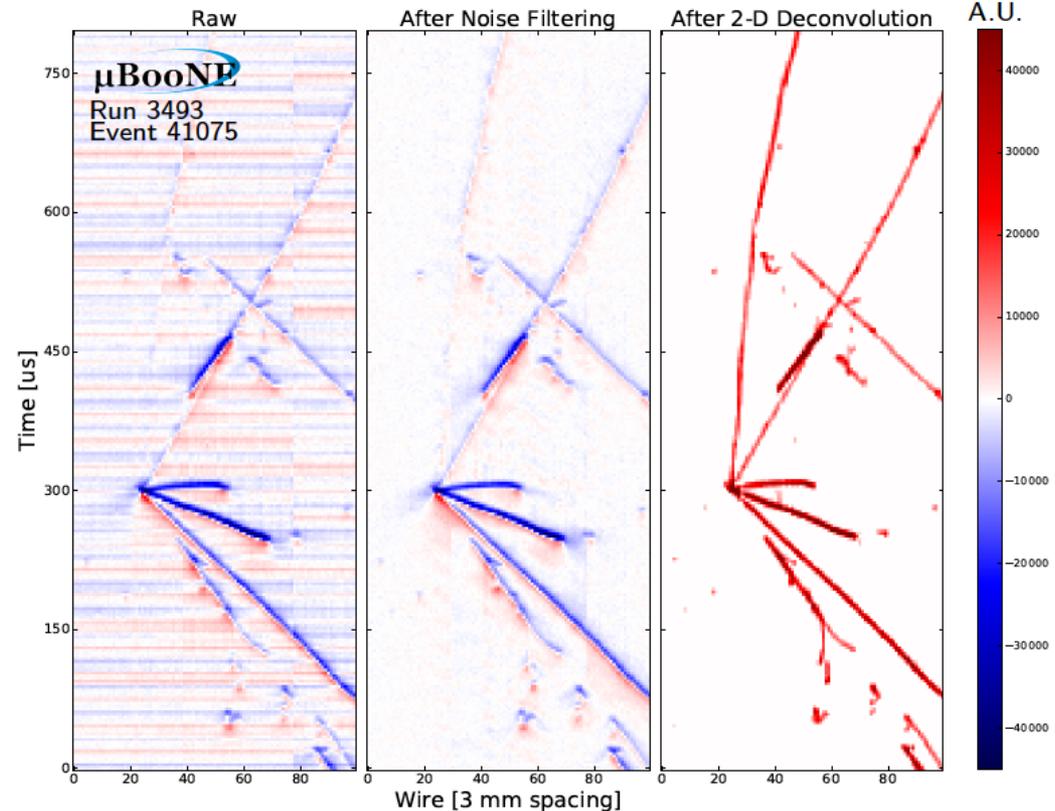
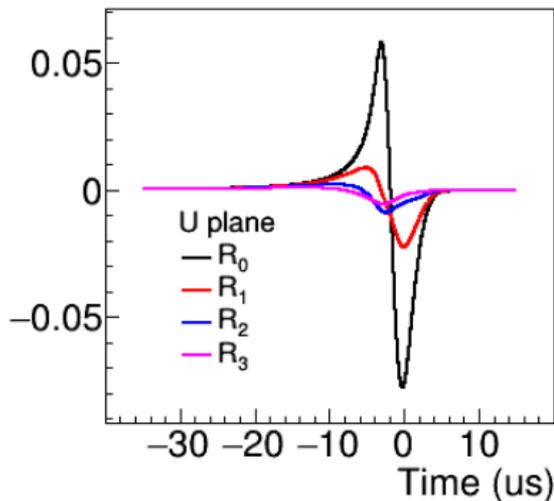
- ◆ Wire field response represents induced/collected charge due to ionization electron drift past wires
- ◆ Calculate using Garfield-2D, use in simulation
  - However, simulation may not represent data perfectly
  - Use comparison to data-driven response (obtained by utilizing  $t_0$ -tagged cosmic tracks) to **tune simulated responses**
- ◆ Vary residual differences as systematic in physics analyses



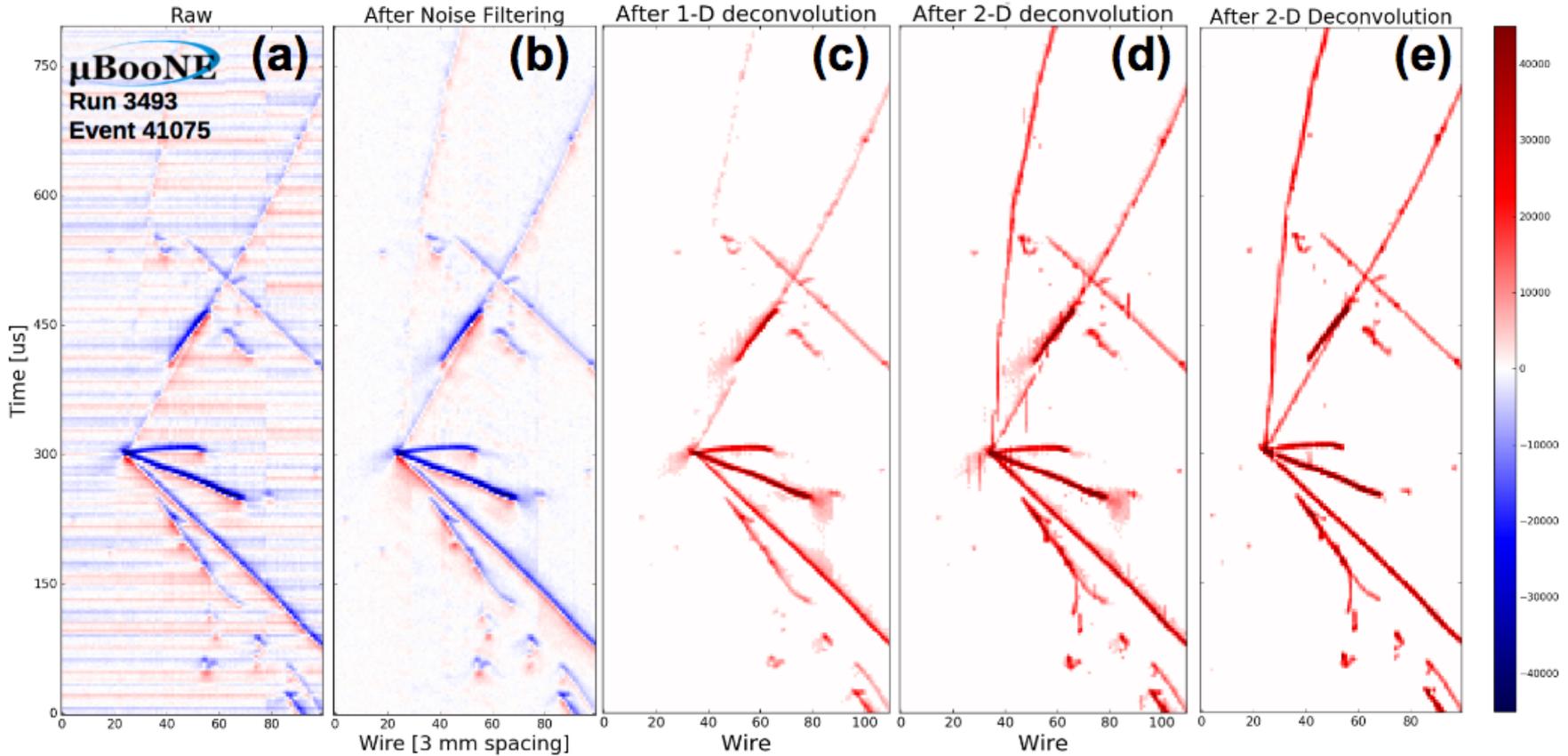
First  
Induction  
(U) Plane



2D Garfield Responses

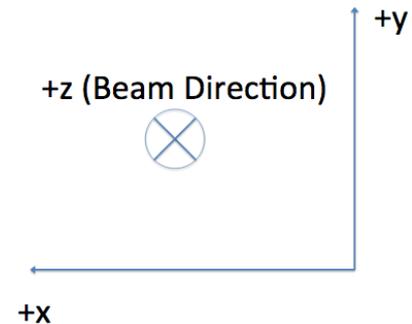
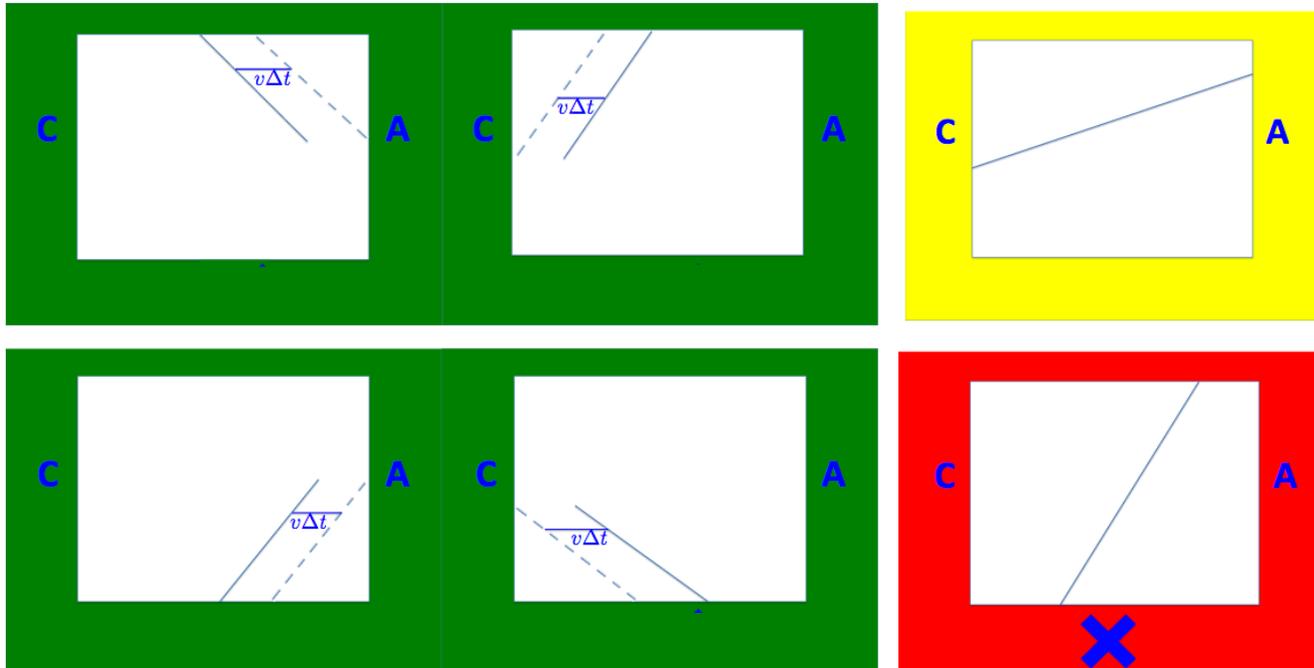


- ◆ “Remove” wire response in deconvolution using tuned sim.
  - Includes charge induced on wires neighboring the wire closest to ionization electrons (mainly U/V planes) → “2D deconvolution”
  - See **MicroBooNE public note on signal processing**



U plane from Event 41075, Run 3493. (a) Raw digits. (b) Raw digits after noise filtering<sup>2</sup>. (c) 1-D Deconvolved signal. (d) 2-D Deconvolved signal. (e) 2-D Deconvolved signal with improvements

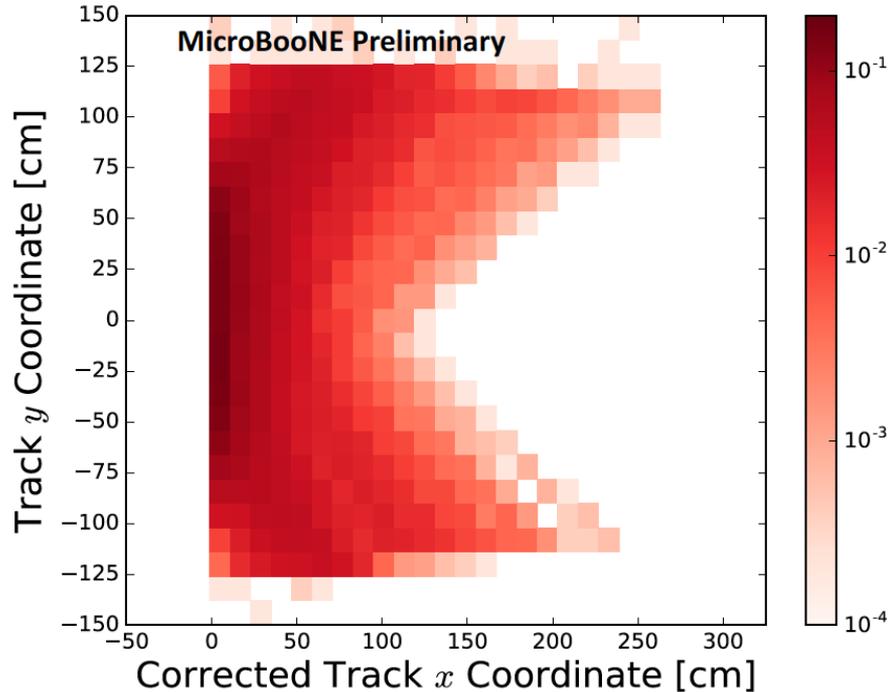
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- ◆ Can tag cosmic muon  $t_0$  with TPC info (purify with PMTs)
  - Side-piercing tracks: assume through-going, use geometry
  - Cathode-anode crossers: projected  $x$  distance is full drift length
  - ProtoDUNEs and DUNE FD also get cathode-crossers
- ◆ Public note from MicroBooNE coming out on this soon

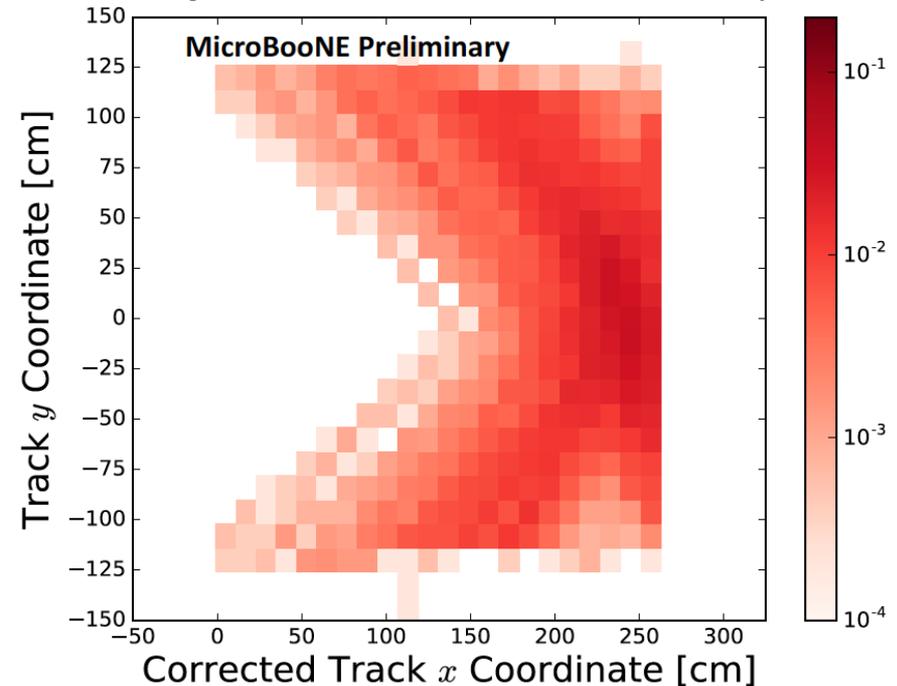
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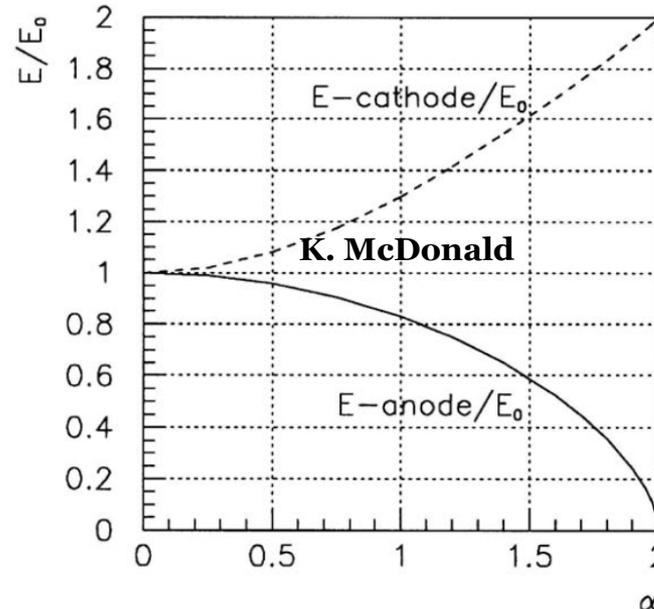
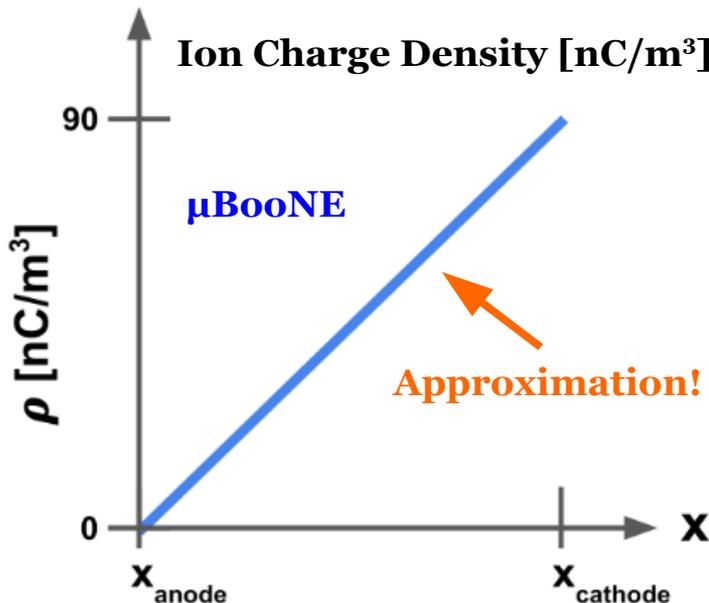
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- ◆ Obtain  $O(1)$   $t_0$ -tagged track per event,  $\sim 98\%$  purity
  - Tracks crossing Y faces shown (sample also exists for Z faces)
- ◆ Gap in center of TPC – CRT will significantly add coverage

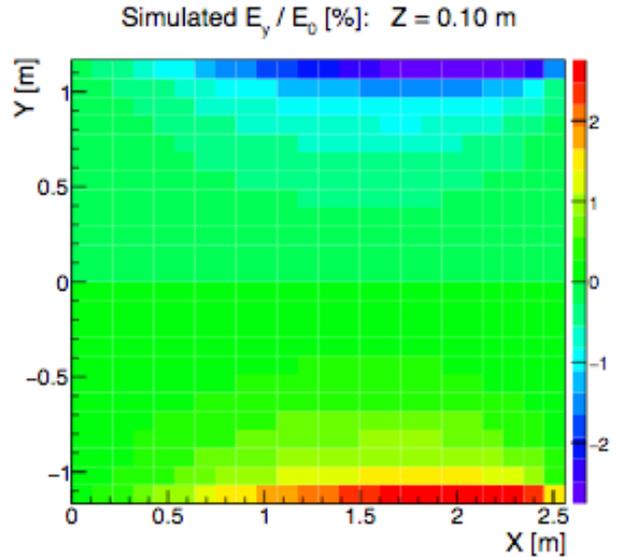
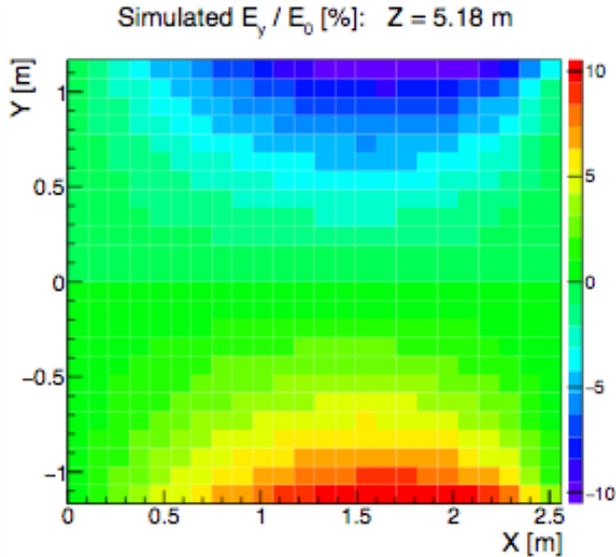
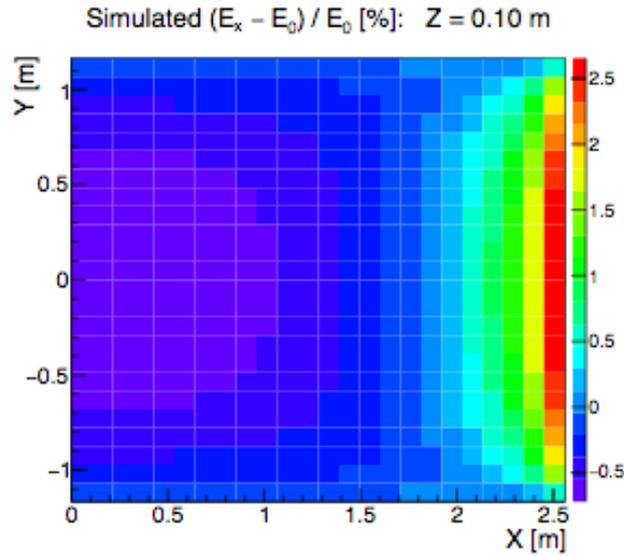
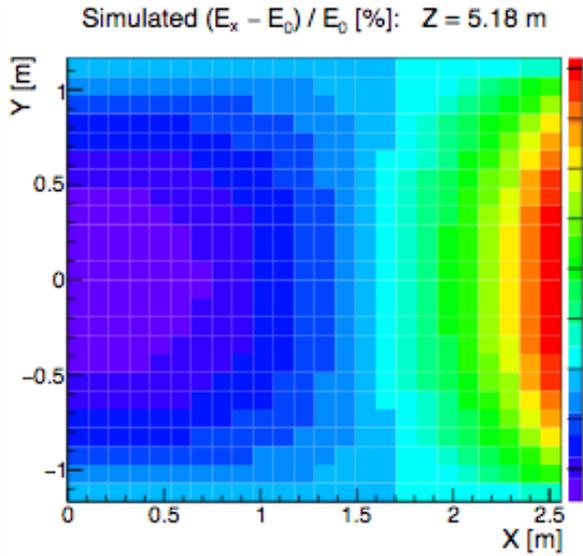
- ◆ MicroBooNE is on surface → **space charge effects (SCE)**
- ◆ Space charge (slow moving argon ions) will pull drifting ionization electrons inward toward the center of the drift volume
  - Modifies E field in TPC, thus recombination level ( $dQ/dx$ )
  - Modifies spatial information, thus track/shower direction,  $dQ/dx$
  - Magnitude of spatial distortions scales with  $D^3, E^{-1.7}$



$$\alpha = \frac{D}{E_0} \sqrt{\frac{K}{\epsilon\mu}}$$

$$v = \mu E$$

**No Drift!**



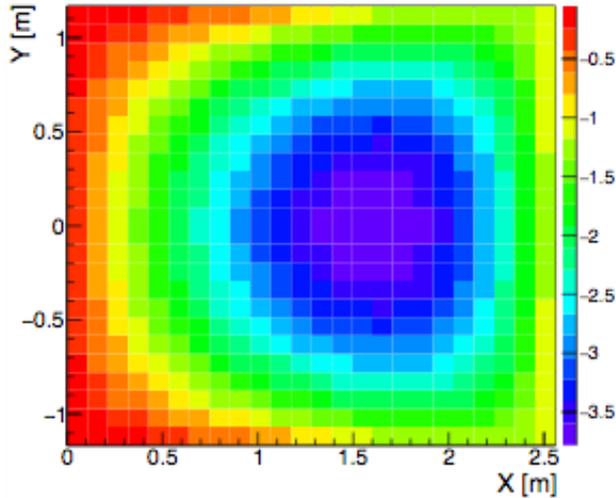
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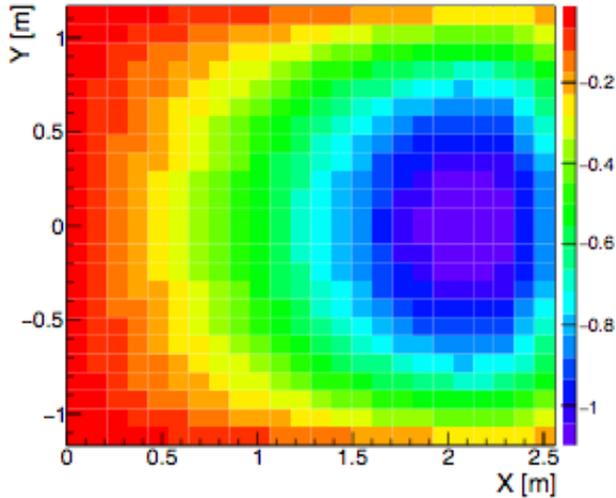
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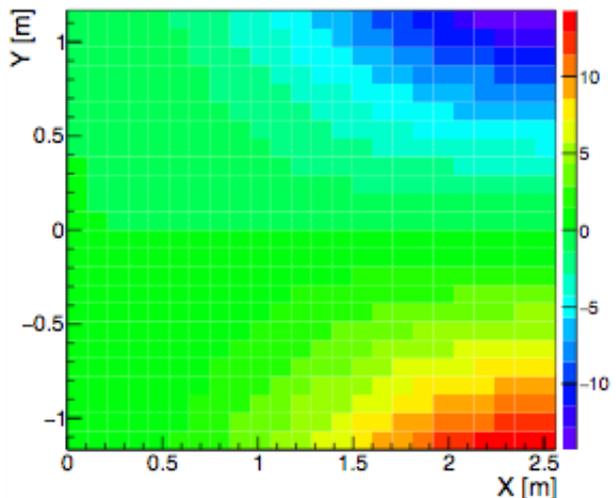
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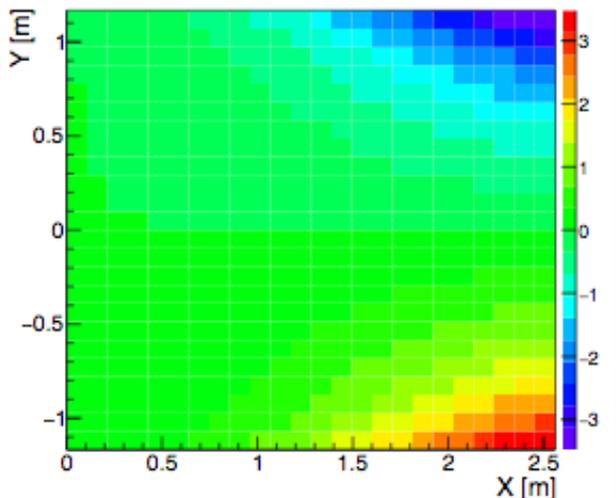
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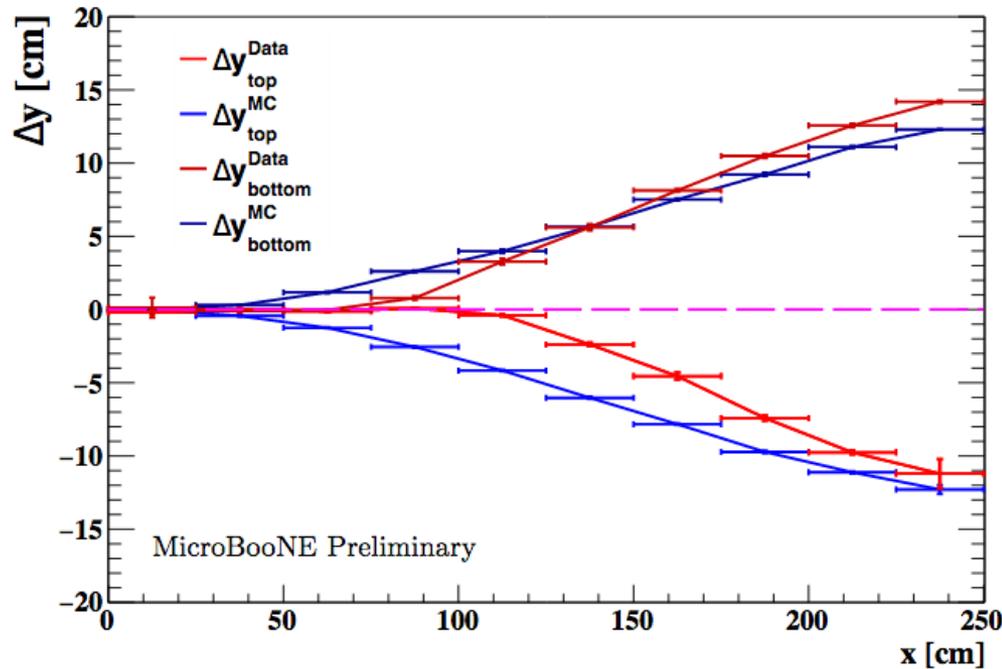


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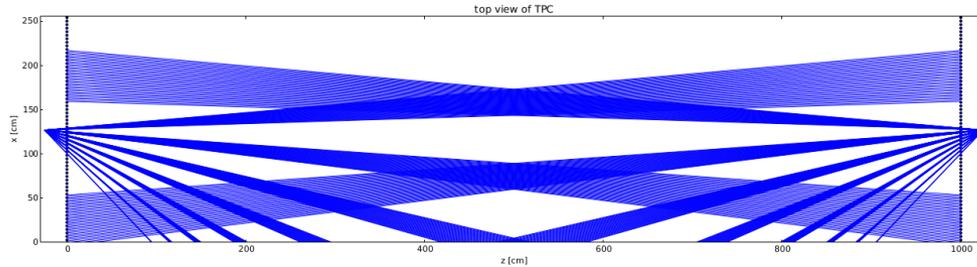
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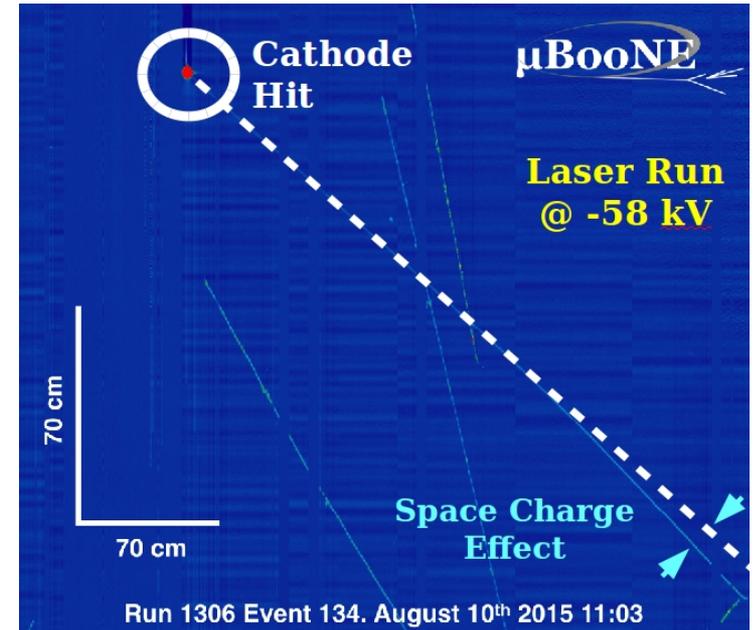
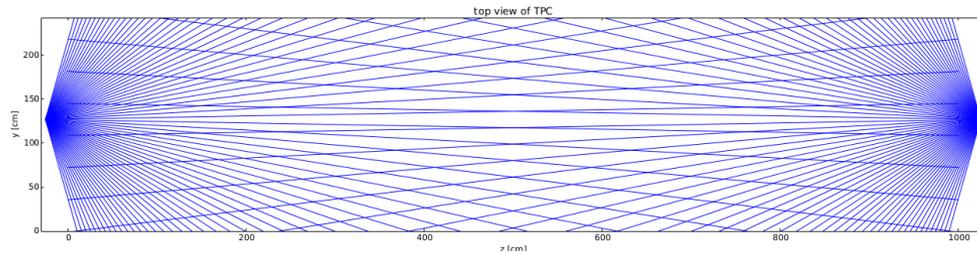


- ◆ Compare data to SCE simulation at top/bottom of TPC
  - See [MicroBooNE space charge effect public note](#)
  - Good agreement, small shape deviations (liquid argon flow?)
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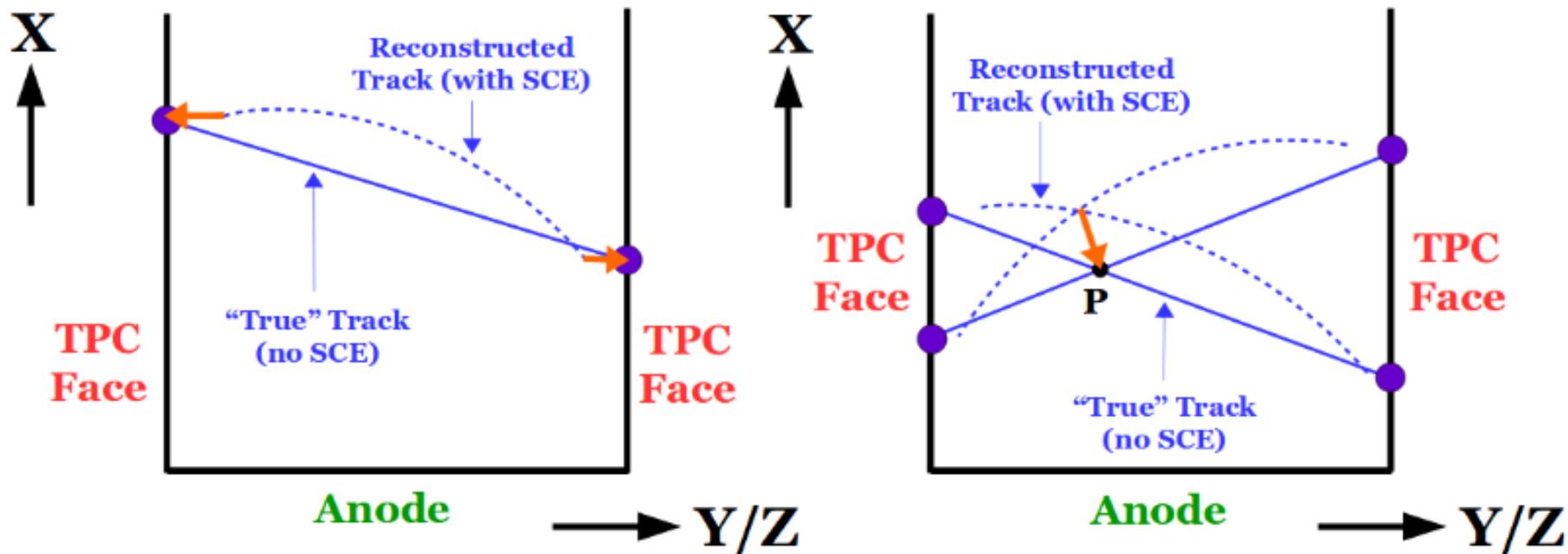
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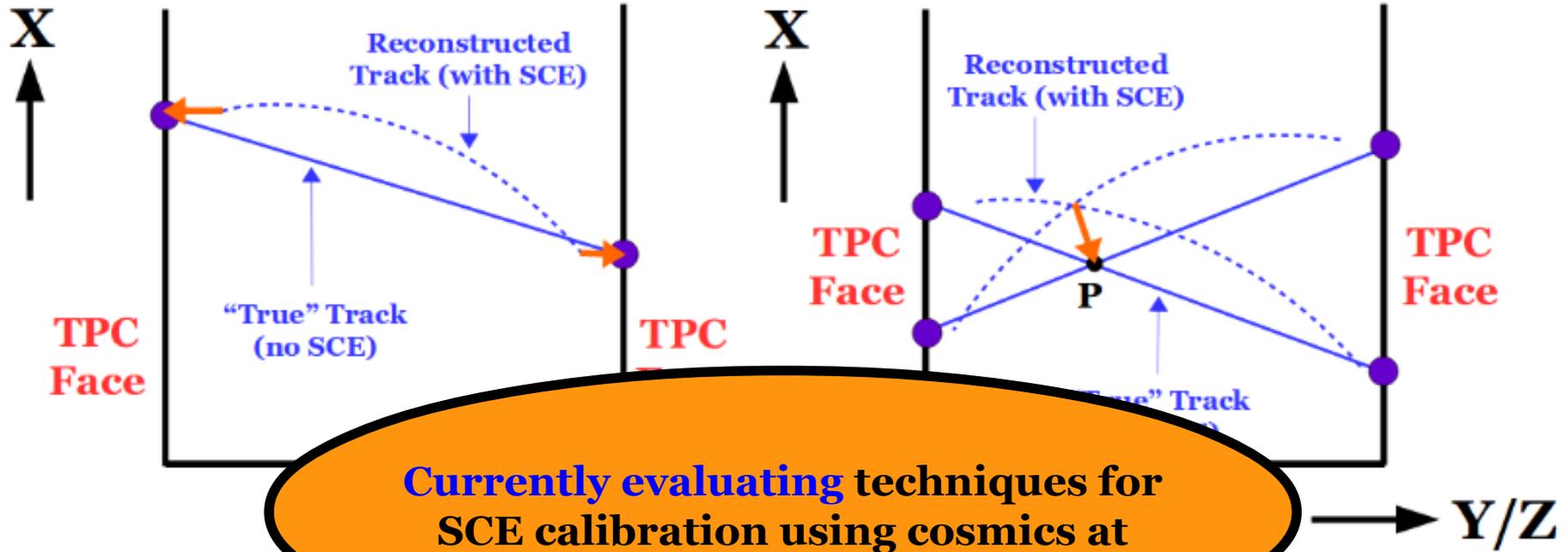
**Simulated Laser Coverage: Y-Z Plane**



- ◆ Can calibrate out SCE with UV laser system quite well
  - Know true laser track position
- ◆ Complications due to gaps in coverage, potentially time-dependence → complementarity from cosmic muons

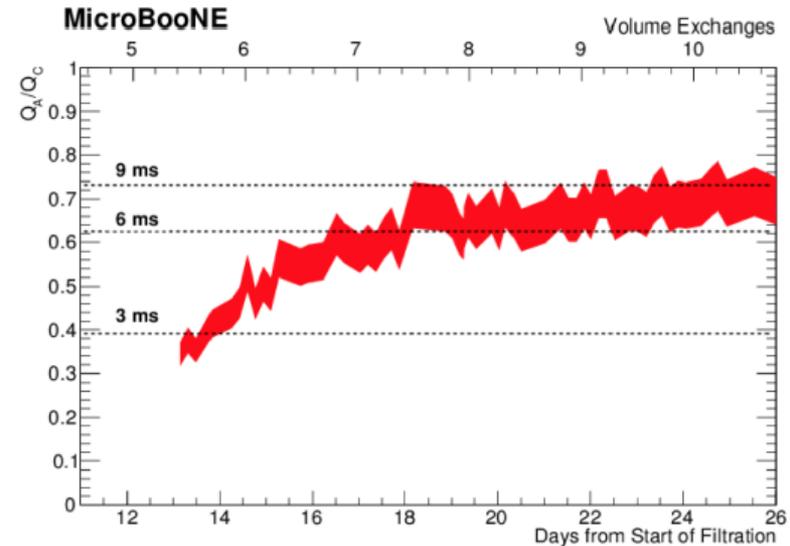
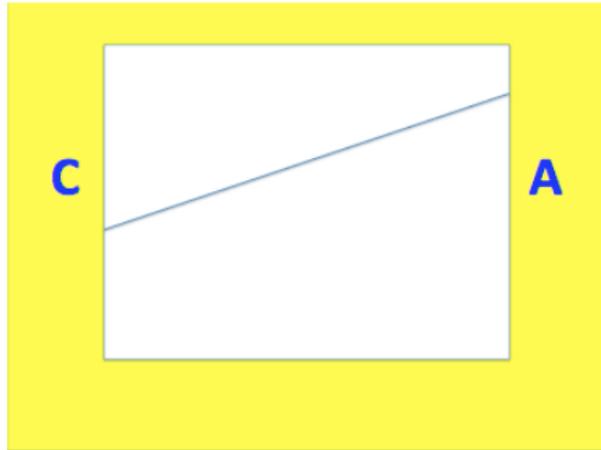


- ◆ Two samples of  $t_0$ -tagged tracks can provide SCE corrections:
  - Single tracks – enable corrections at TPC faces by utilizing endpoints of tracks (correction vector approximately orthonormal to TPC face)
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**Currently evaluating techniques for SCE calibration using cosmics at MicroBooNE**

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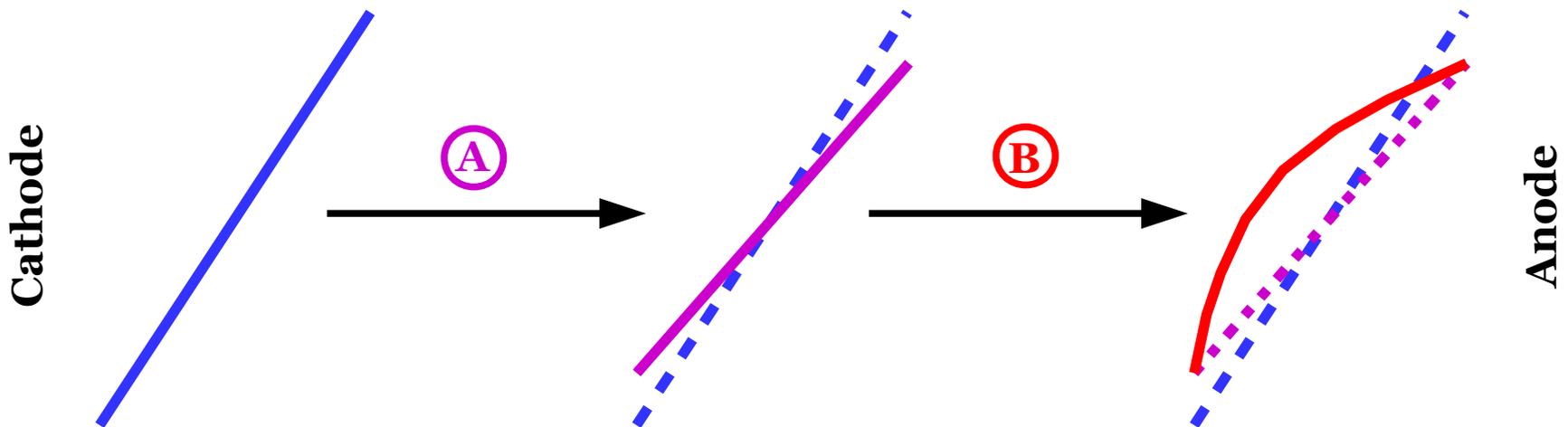


- ◆ Natural to **calibrate out SCE first** before electron lifetime: SCE results in spatial **and** charge variations, while electron lifetime strictly influences amount of charge collected
- ◆ Measure in data using cathode-anode crossing tracks
- ◆ Electron lifetime known to be quite high at MicroBooNE since first operations (purity monitors, signal-to-noise ratio)
  - Likely small impact for physics – might not be the case for DUNE

- ◆ Discussed calibrations utilizing TPC noise data, external pulser,  $t_0$ -tagged cosmic muons, and UV laser system
  - Did not cover CRT (for  $t_0$ -tagging of cosmics) since not yet been integrated into our data stream – should be ready by end of year
  - CRT will especially aid calibration of space charge effects
- ◆ Calibration program at MicroBooNE **still in progress**
  - Limited people-power → must prioritize
- ◆ If I had to guess, biggest systematics at MicroBooNE due to electronics/field response shape and space charge effects
  - High electron lifetime means purity not much of an issue, and noise largely removed with hardware/software noise filtering
- ◆ For discussion: **MicroBooNE public notes**

# BACKUP SLIDES

- ◆ Two separate effects on reconstructed **tracks**:
  - Ⓐ • Reconstructed track shortens laterally (looks rotated)
  - Ⓑ • Reconstructed track bows toward cathode (greater effect near center of detector)
- ◆ Can obtain straight track (or multiple-scattering track) by applying corrections derived from data-driven calibration



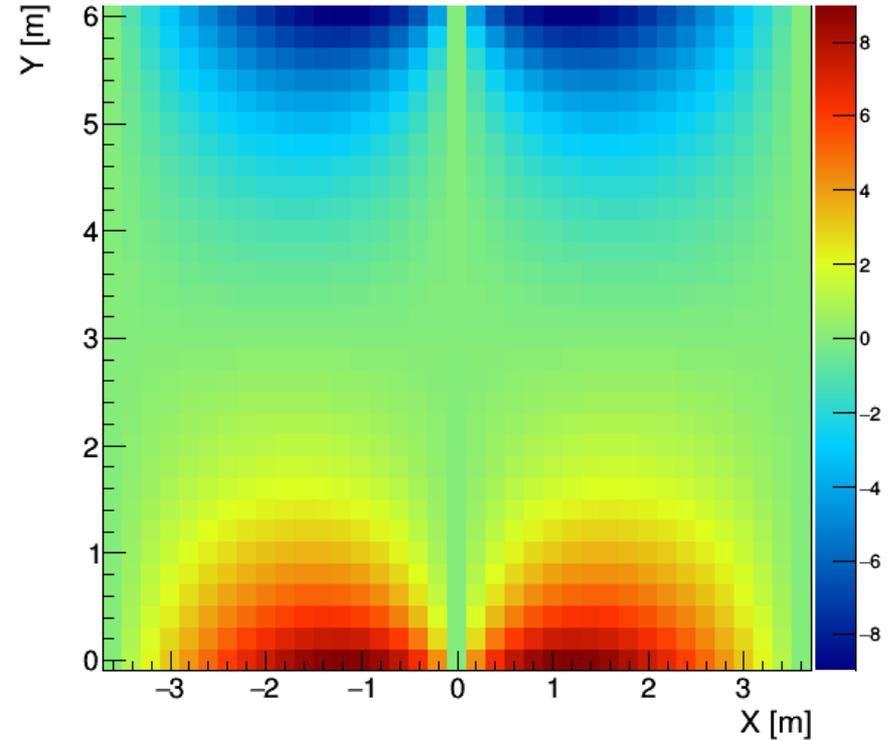
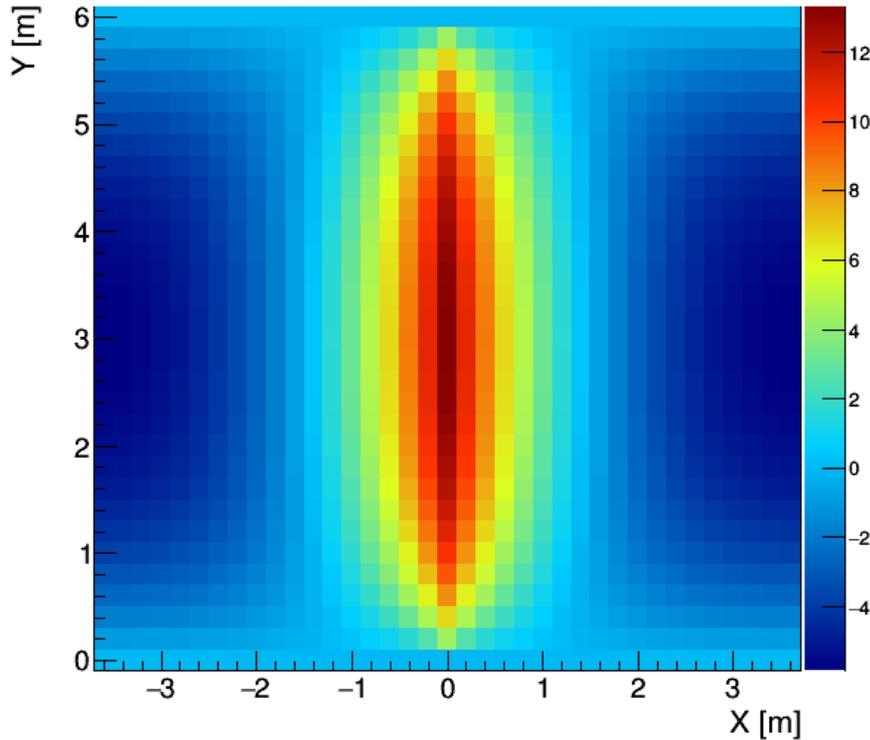
- ◆ Code written in C++ with ROOT libraries
- ◆ Also makes use of external libraries (ALGLIB)
- ◆ Primary features:
  - Obtain E fields analytically (on 3D grid) via **Fourier series**
  - Use **interpolation** scheme (RBF – radial basis functions) to obtain E fields in between solution points on grid
  - Generate tracks in volume – line of uniformly-spaced points
  - Employ **ray-tracing** to “read out” reconstructed  $\{x,y,z\}$  point for each track point – RKF45 method
- ◆ Can simulate arbitrary ion charge density profile if desired
  - Linear space charge density approximation for now
- ◆ Output: E field and spatial distortion maps (vs.  $\{x,y,z\}$ )

- ◆ Can use SpaCE to produce displacement maps
  - **Forward transportation:** e.g.  $\{x, y, z\}_{\text{true}} \rightarrow \{x, y, z\}_{\text{reco}}$ 
    - Use to simulate effect in MC
    - Uncertainties describe accuracy of simulation
  - **Backward transportation:** e.g.  $\{x, y, z\}_{\text{reco}} \rightarrow \{x, y, z\}_{\text{true}}$ 
    - Derive from calibration and use in data or MC to correct reconstruction bias
    - Uncertainties describe remainder systematic after bias-correction
- ◆ Two principal methods to encode displacement maps:
  - **Parametric** representation (for now, 5<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> order polynomials) – fewer parameters (thanks to Xin Qian for parametrization)
  - **Matrix** representation – more generic/flexible
- ◆ Module in LArSoft ready to utilize maps (E field, spatial)

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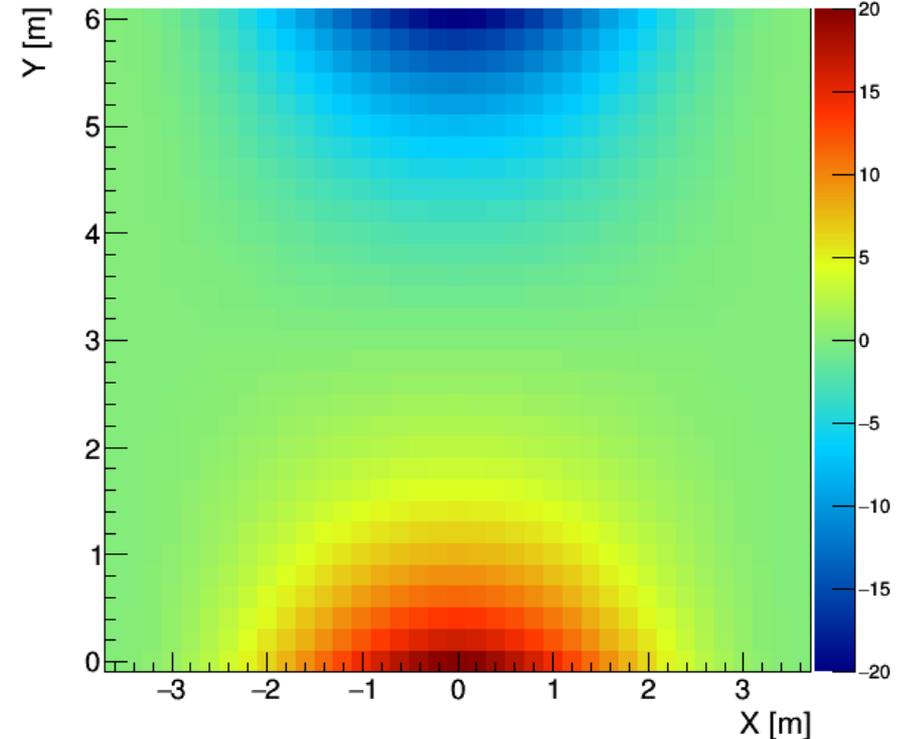
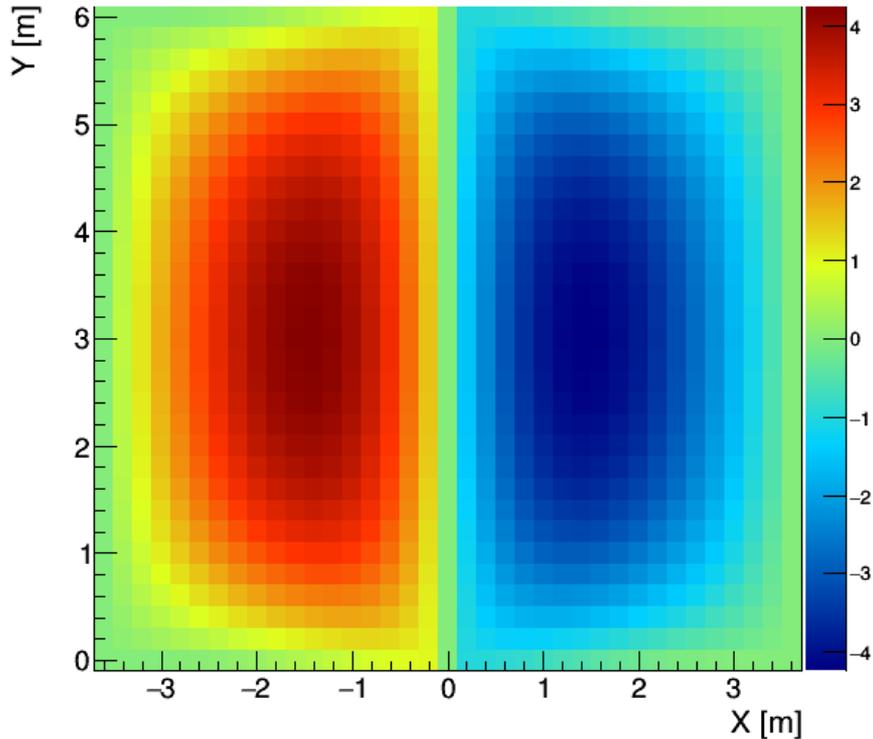


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