# Far Detector Electron Lifetime Calibration Using Crossing Muons

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## **Motivation and Goals**

- Tracks crossing both APA and CPA provide tracks with a measurable T0
- Hits from these tracks can be used to calibrate electron lifetime in the TPC due to the known drift time
- We'd like to understand how sensitive we can be to the lifetime using these tracks

#### Motivation

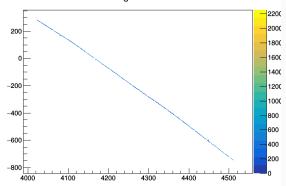
• Understand granularity possible in lifetime measurements based on realistic event selection purity and efficiency

#### Goal

 Develop lifetime measurement method based on hits collected from T0 tagged crossing tracks

## MC Sample

- An MCC9 cosmic ray sample, MUSUN, was used to study crossing track selection in the far detector
- The cosmics in this data are mostly very vertical so only 6% of all tracks cross an anode or cathode
- This sample is "cosmic triggered" so all tracks have a T0 of 0



crossing track all hits

# Selecting Crossing Tracks in DUNE

In DUNE we can take advantage of a track stitching algorithm developed by Leigh Whitehead for ProtoDUNE to select crossing tracks

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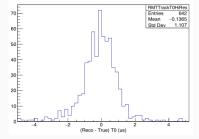
Tracks with start and end in different APA/CPA corridor selected and quality cuts applied, T0 has  $O(\mu s)$  resolution from stitching algorithm

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#### Note on MUSUN Sample

Cosmic triggered nature of MUSUN sample means few tracks are stitched due to small T0's

• Gaussian spread of  $1\mu s$  applied to true T0's instead



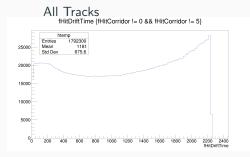
## **Selection Performance**

- This event selection was tested on the MUSUN cosmic data sample and produced a sample of 3300 tracks
  - This is about 6% of all tracks
  - A crossing track is found in 1 out of 5 events.
- $\bullet\,$  This selection had purity 97% and efficiency 36%

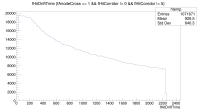
| Number Events               | 17,800  |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Total Number of Tracks      | 142,447 |
| True Crossing Tracks        | 8710    |
| Selected before Angular Cut | 3374    |
| Selected before NHits Cut   | 3358    |
| Selected Tracks             | 3301    |

- Electron lifetime measured from decay of charge deposition with drift distance
- Most Probable Value (MPV) is used due to large tails of distribution
- MPV taken from Landau-Gaussian Fits to charge distribution with drift time
  - recob::Hit::Integral() used for charge values
  - Charge distributions binned in  $100 \mu s$  time bins
  - MPVs fitted around peaks of charge distributions

### **Drift Time Distributions**

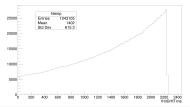


#### Anode Crossers

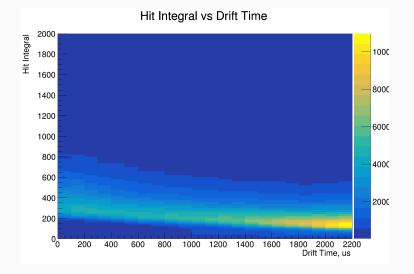


#### Cathode Crossers



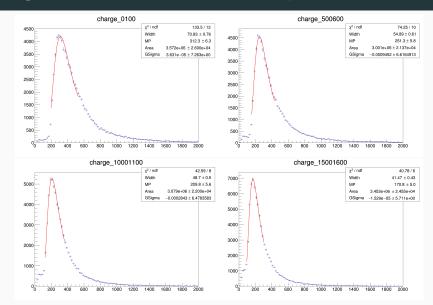


### **Charge – Drift Time Distributions**



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#### Charge Distributions and MPV Fit Examples



### **Lifetime Estimation**

Lifetime estimate from exponential fit to MPV vs Drift Time distribution Electron Attentuation vs Drift Time  $\chi^2$  / ndf 4.051 / 20 MPV of Charge Distribution Constant 5.779 ± 0.008 Slope -0.0003809 ± 0.0000068 Drift Time, us Prediction:  $2.62 \pm 0.05 \ \mu s$  (stat only)

Simulation:  $3\mu s$ 

- Not yet attempted to remove sources of high charge density
  - Delta rays, MCS
- Reduced lifetime estimate if selection favours cathode crossers
  - Muon energy loss as track approaches anode could mimic electron attenuation
- This study uses a sample of 3300 selected tracks over the full FD volume
  - Spatial granularity based on this sample will be minimal
  - To what level do we want to know electron lifetime in each spatial bin?

- Framework to understand lifetime calibration based on the minimal sample of T0 tagged tracks is in place
- $\bullet$  Initial predictions show 10% discrepancy from simulated lifetime
  - Possible causes for investigation:
    - Delta rays and other large charge deposits along tracks
    - Anode vs Cathode selection bias (energy loss during traversal)
- Moving forward we wish to use this framework to understand the lifetime sensitivity over the whole far detector based on a minimal T0 tagged sample
  - Spatial granularity
  - Sensitivity with optical T0 tagging