

# 131.ND.02 ND-LAr Physics and Design

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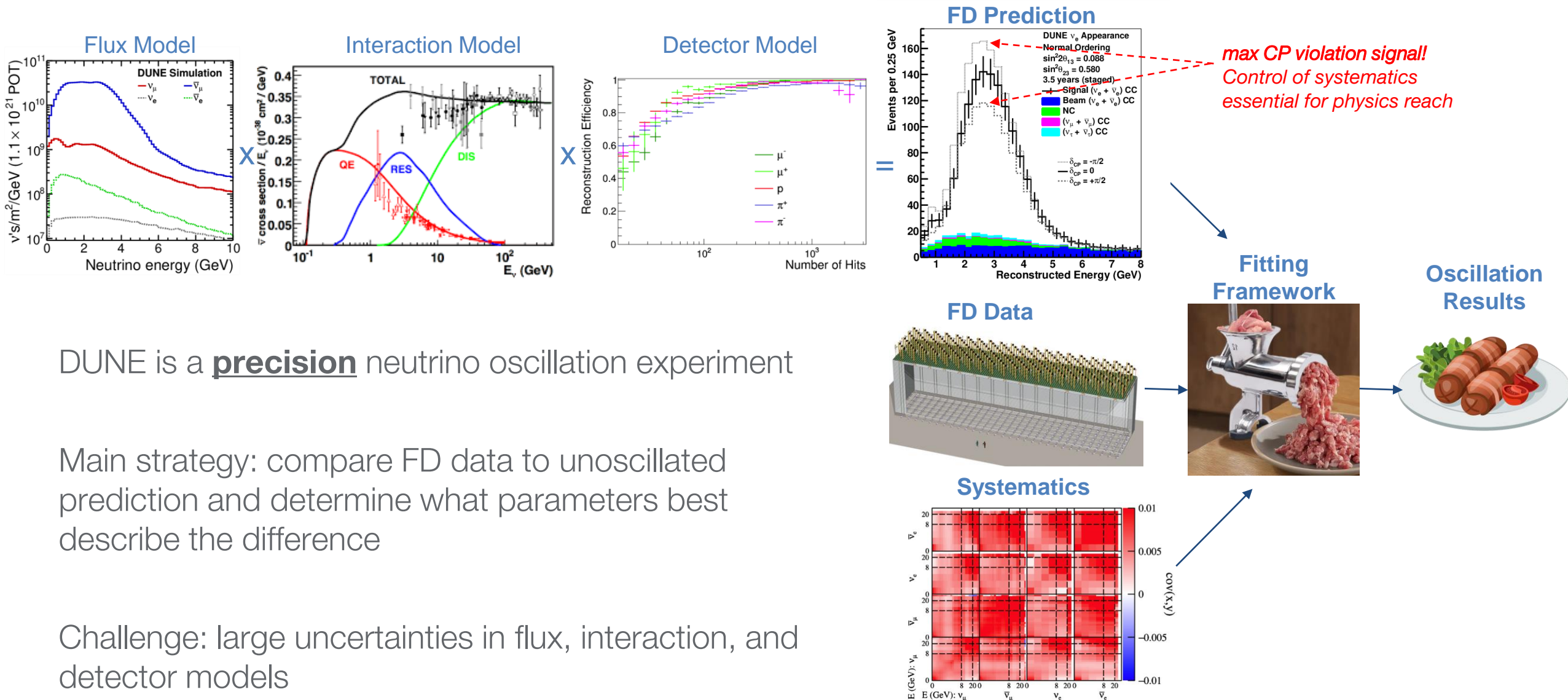
## Who we are:

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  - Analysis co-coordinator/convener in Daya Bay and JUNO

## Outline

- DUNE Physics and ND-LAr Requirements
- Recommendations from Previous Reviews
- Status of Simulation & Analysis tools
- Pathway to FDR
- Summary

# The ND's role in DUNE's oscillation measurements



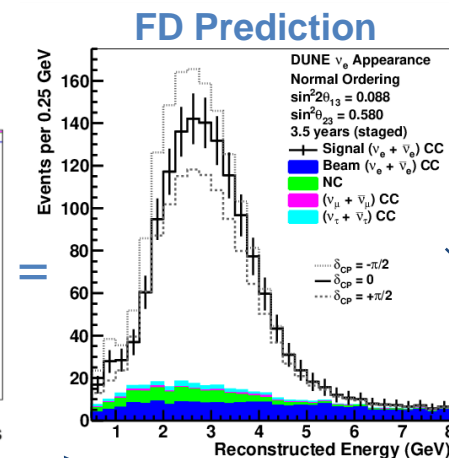
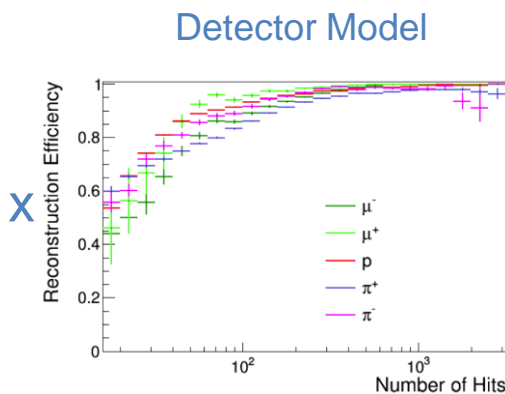
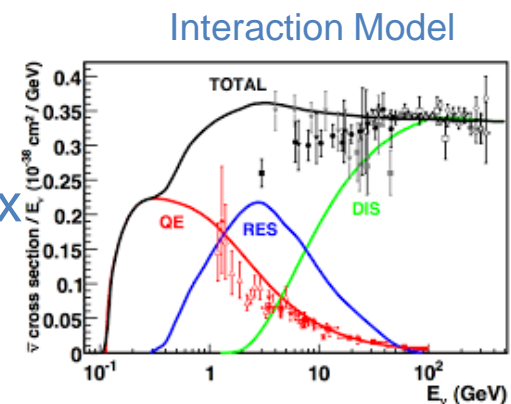
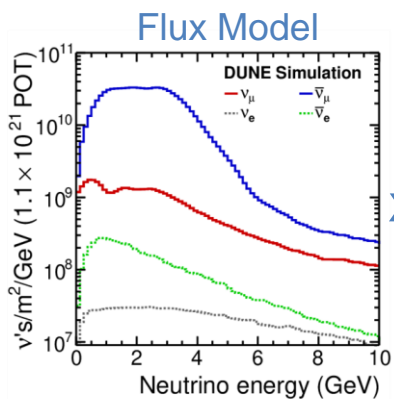
DUNE is a **precision** neutrino oscillation experiment

Main strategy: compare FD data to unoscillated prediction and determine what parameters best describe the difference

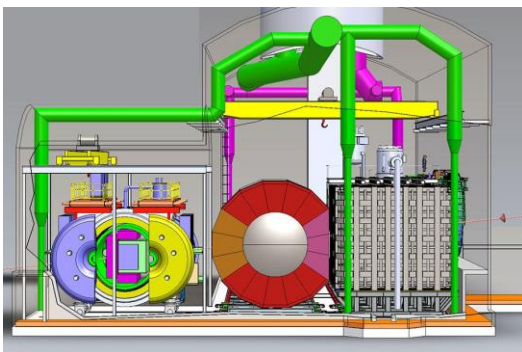
Challenge: large uncertainties in flux, interaction, and detector models

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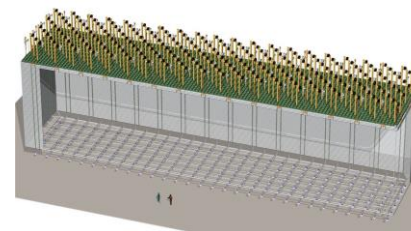
Technical requirements: **ND-00**  
(predict FD spectrum), ND-01,  
ND-02, ND-03



**ND Data**



**FD Data**



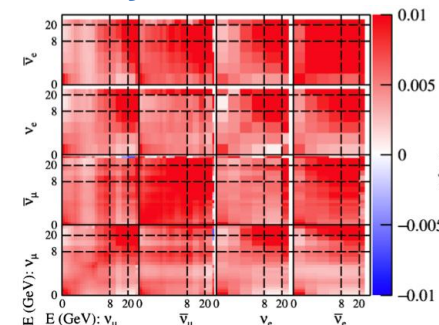
**Fitting Framework**



**Oscillation Results**



**Systematics**

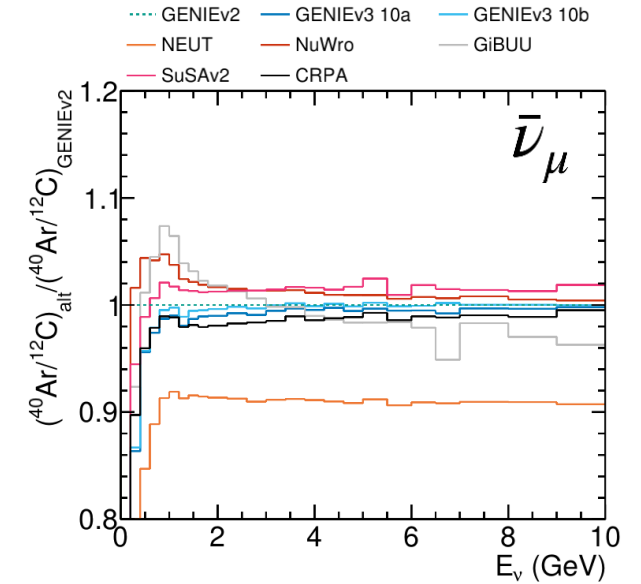
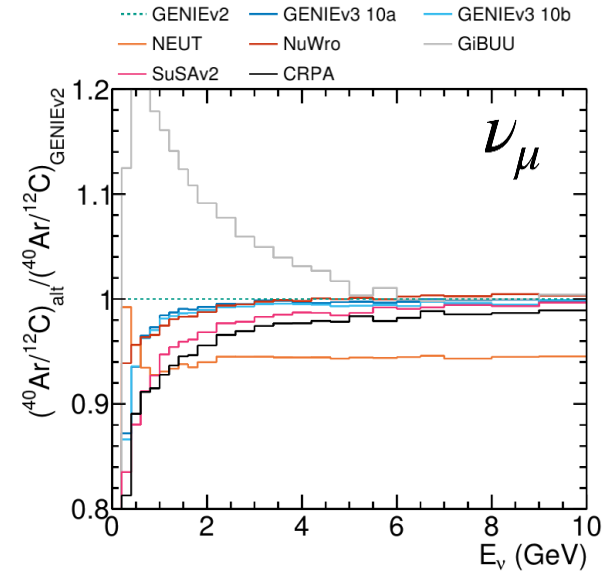


The ND has an essential role: constrain uncertainties in FD prediction by measuring the **same** (flux × interaction × detector model)

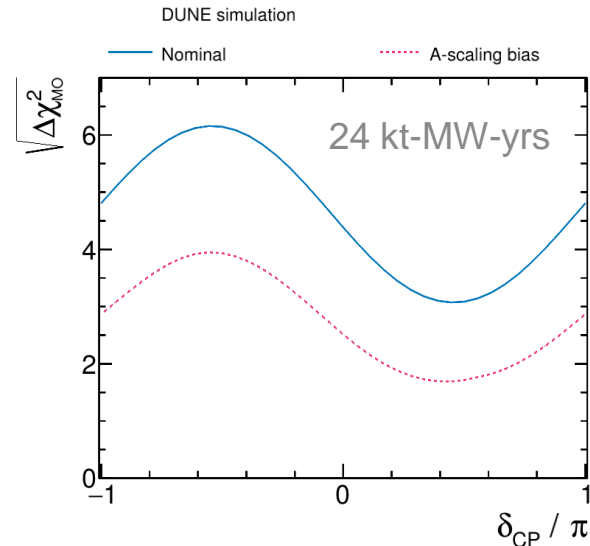
# Requirement #1: same target as the FD

Large uncertainties introduced by extrapolating from a different target

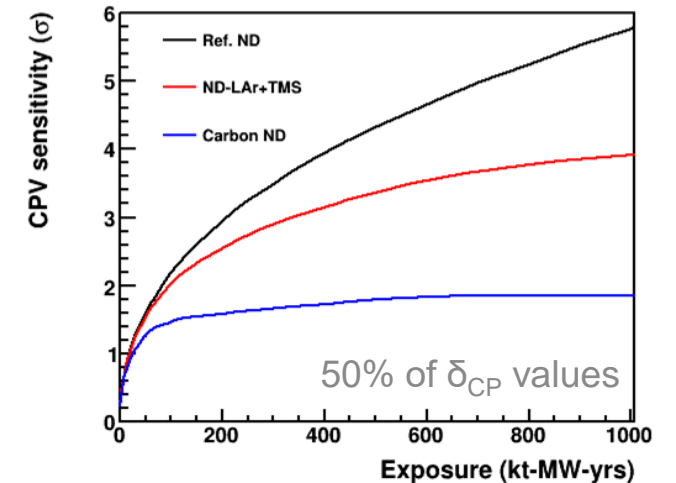
Can be estimated by comparing the cross-section of argon to carbon between different event generators



Significant degradation in the physics reach



Technical requirement: **ND-01**  
(transfer measurements to FD)



## Requirement #2: same response function as the FD

Spectral information essential to DUNE's oscillation goals

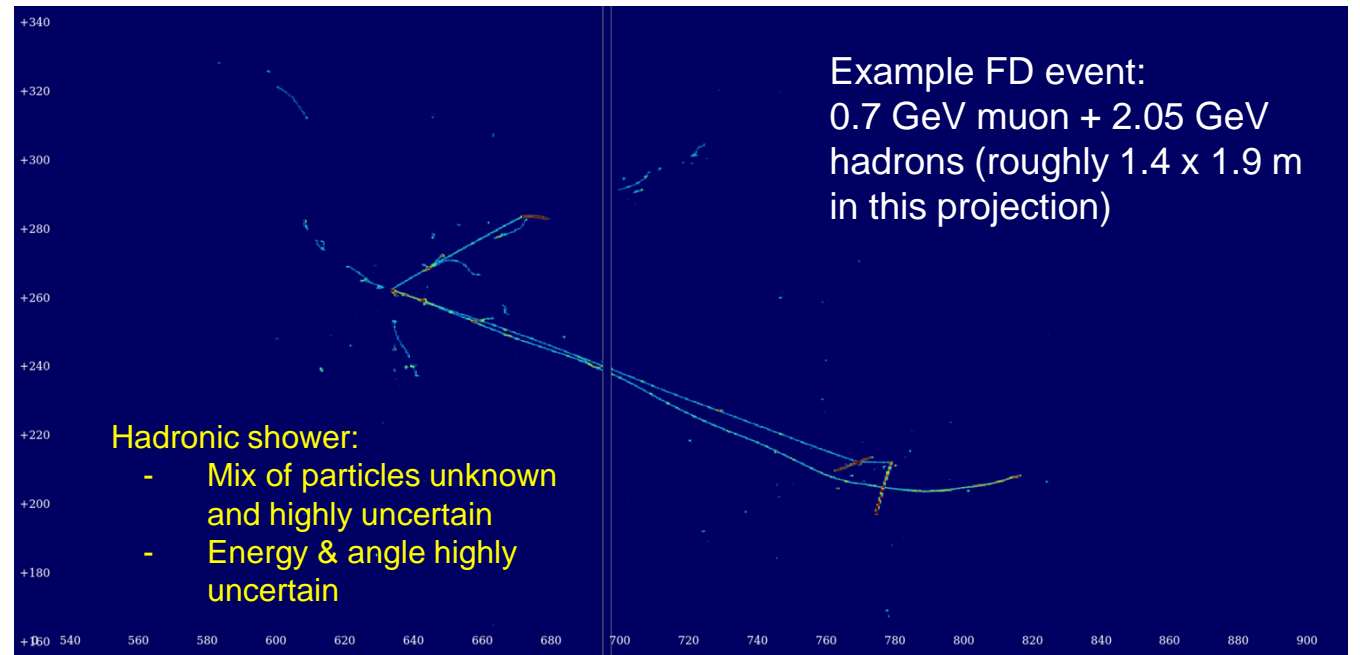
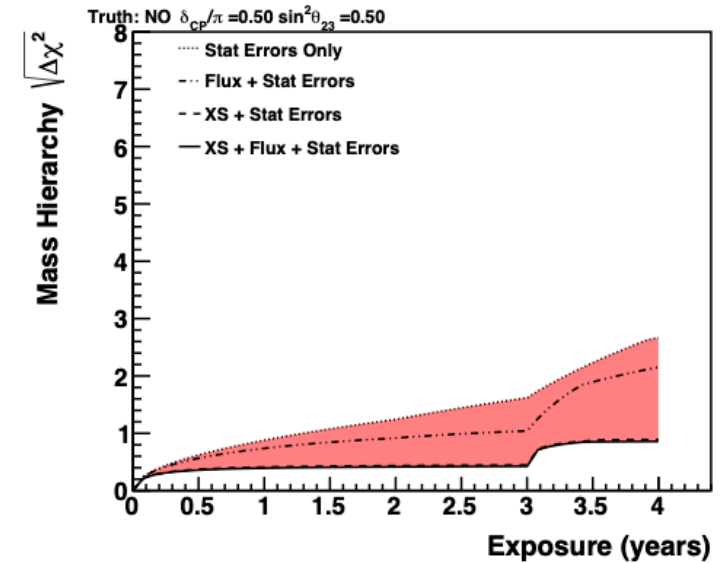
A neutrino interaction reconstructed with X GeV in the FD must be reconstructed with the same X GeV in the ND

Strategy:

- Muons: measure them in TMS with same resolution as range in FD
- Hadronic showers: fully contain them and measure energy via calorimetry in LAr, as in FD

Technical requirement: **ND-01**  
(transfer measurements to FD)

NMO significance with single-bin counting experiment significantly reduced compared to full spectral measurement with full systematics





## Requirement #2: same response function as the FD

Technical requirements: **SYS-001, SYS-002**  
(fiducial mass and active size)

Consequence: ND-LAr must be large enough

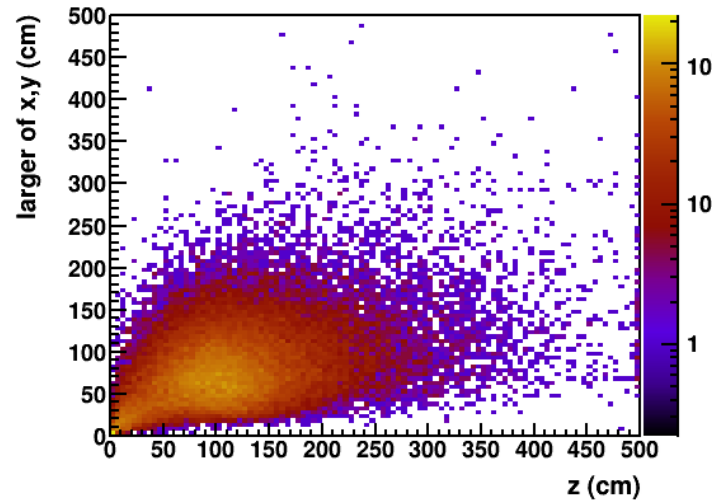
Active volume dimensions determined using simulated events in LAr to ensure containment of hadronic system

But also:

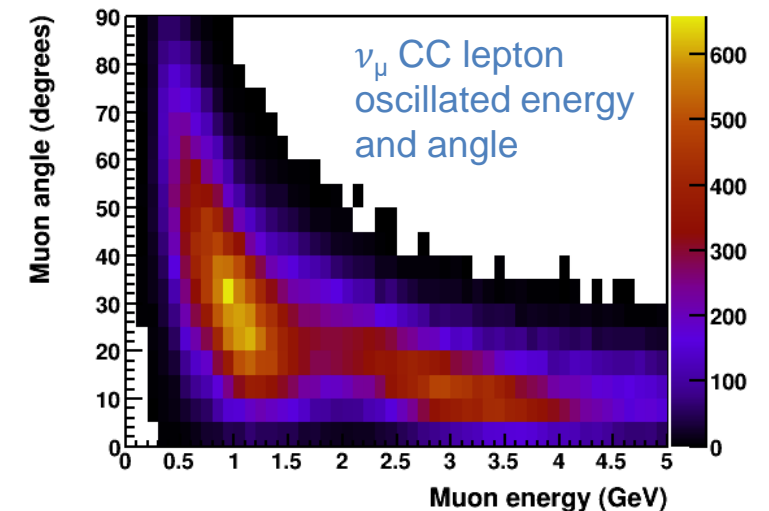
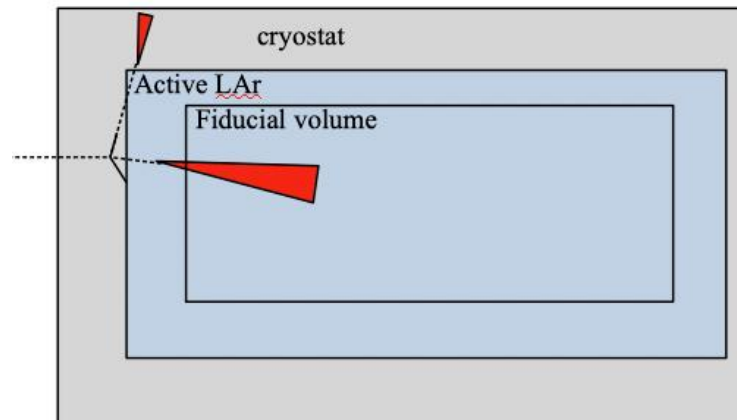
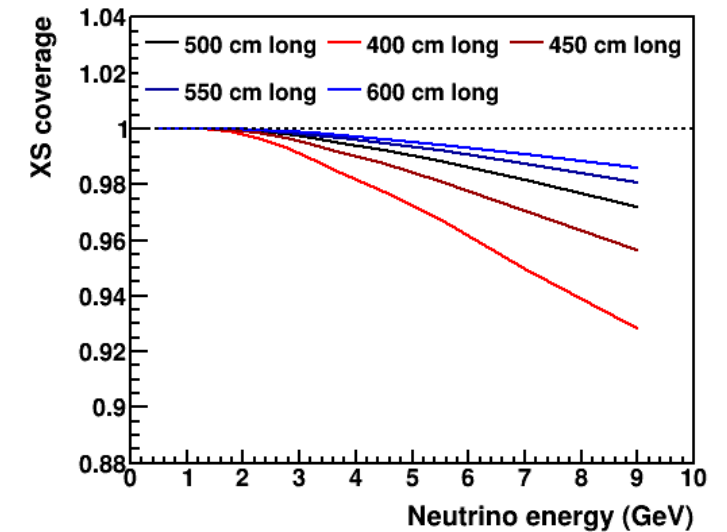
- Need active veto around the detector: using LAr itself is the simplest and most reliable option
- Need containment of muons at high angles (or side spectrometers, which is unfeasible)

Conclusion:  $7 \times 5 \times 3 \text{ m}^3$

$$3.0 < E_\nu < 3.5, 0.2 < 1-y < 0.3$$



4m wide x 3m tall



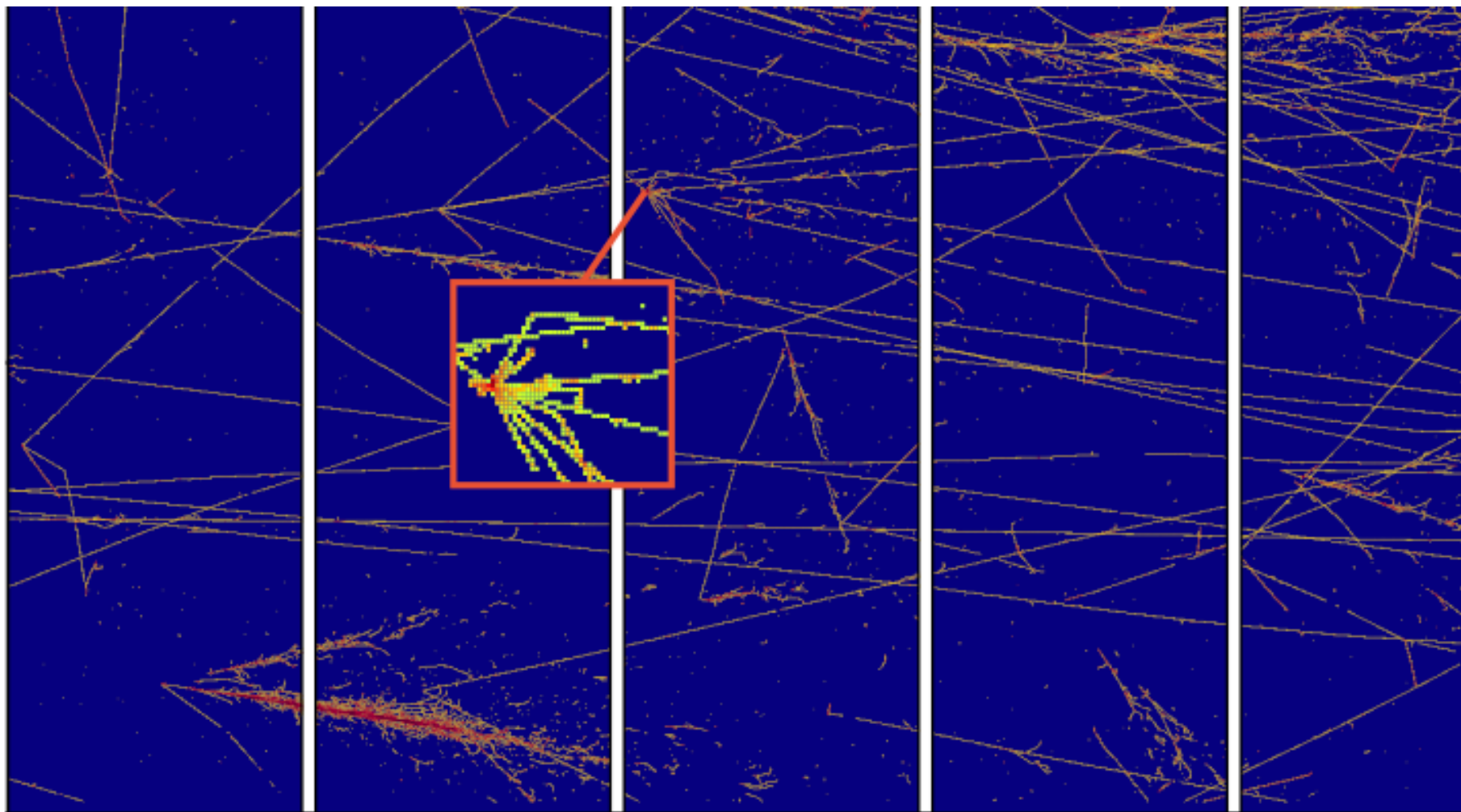


## Requirement #3: pixelated charge readout

ND-LAr also faces a unique challenge: each 1.2 MW beam spill results in  $\sim 55$  interactions

Example of  
simulated 10  $\mu\text{s}$   
spill in ND-LAr

Beam  
(1.2 MW)  
→



Technical requirement: **ND-06** (operation in high-rate environment)

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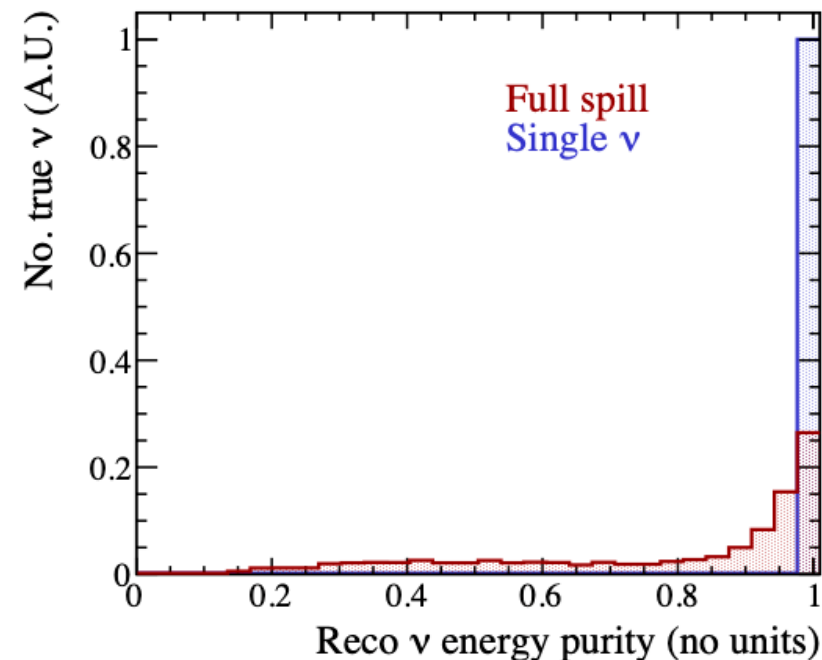
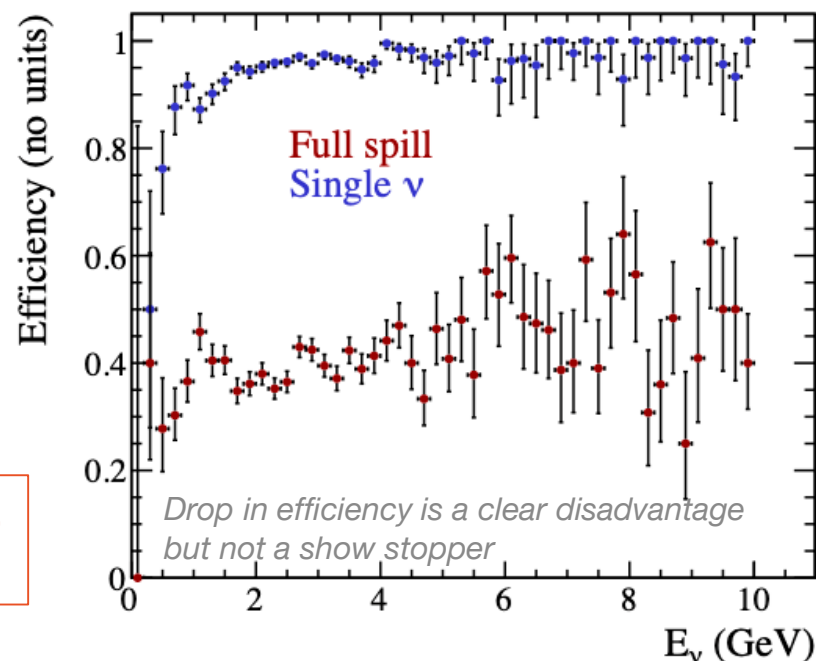
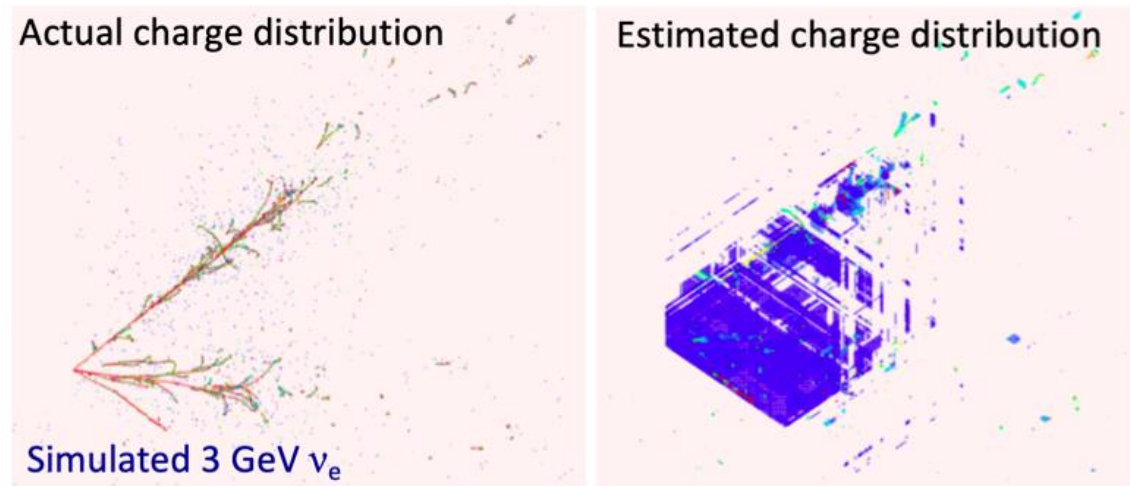
Large event pile-up exacerbates ambiguities  
in projective wire readout

Case in point: SBND detector  
running PANDORA reconstruction  
with simulated single  $\nu$ 's vs. 1.2  
MW LBNF beam spills:

- Sharp drop in efficiency
- Significant contamination  
from other interactions

Conclusion: need pixelated charge  
readout for **real 3D  
reconstruction**

Technical requirements: **SYS-003, SYS-004**  
(pile-up rejection and 3D charge)



## Requirement #4: modularization

In a LArTPC, charge readout provides topological information and light readout provides timing

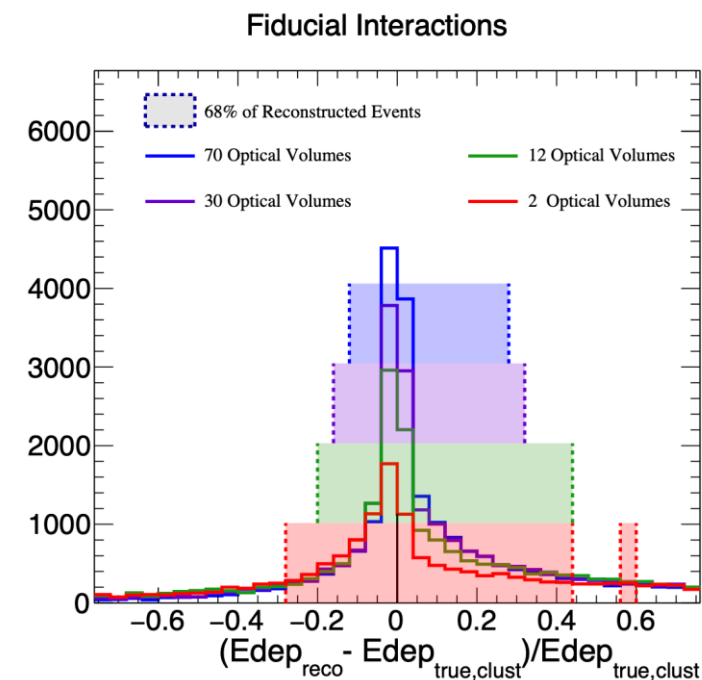
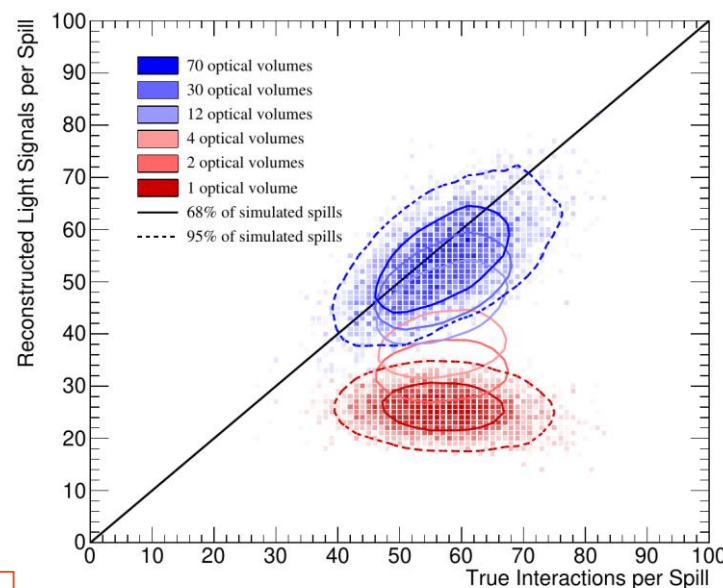
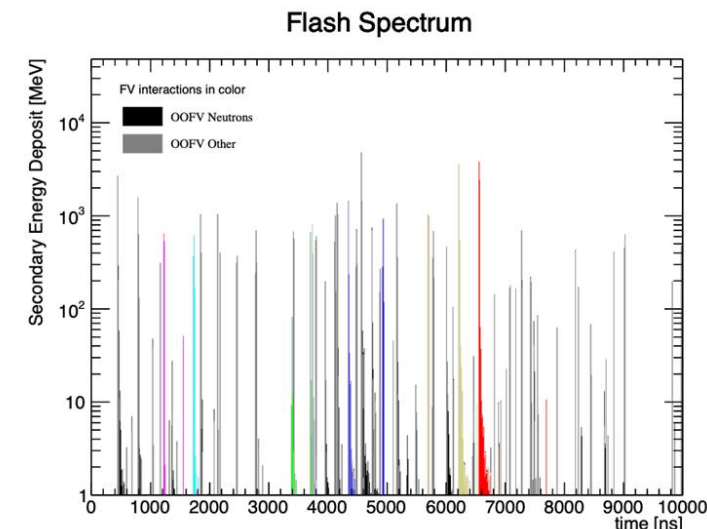
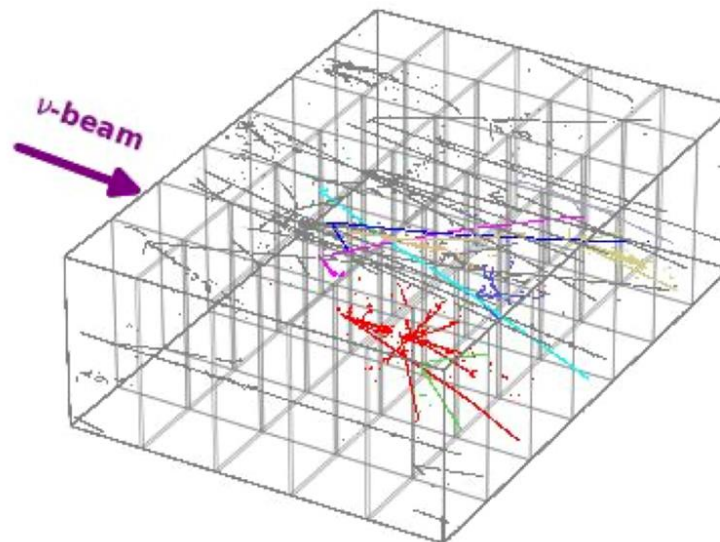
Challenges for a monolithic ND-LAr:

- Combinatorics: impossible to match  $O(50)$  light signals to  $O(50)$  charge deposits
- Cannot separate all light signals

Study with simple reconstruction and light-charge matching shows clear degradation in energy reconstruction with decreasing modularity

Other advantages of modularization: simplification of construction and testing, reduced cathode voltage

Technical requirement: **SYS-005** (charge-light matching)



# Establishment of Requirements

- High-level requirements:
  - Well understood! ✓
    - Everything from previous slides: LArTPC, size, pile-up tolerant... etc.
    - Fix the conceptual design of the detector
- Low-level requirements:
  - In progress ?
    - Examples: dead volume that can be tolerated, failure of electronics channels vs. time, ... etc.
  - Requires a more detailed simulation and reconstruction
  - Have a clear path for addressing these (rest of this talk)

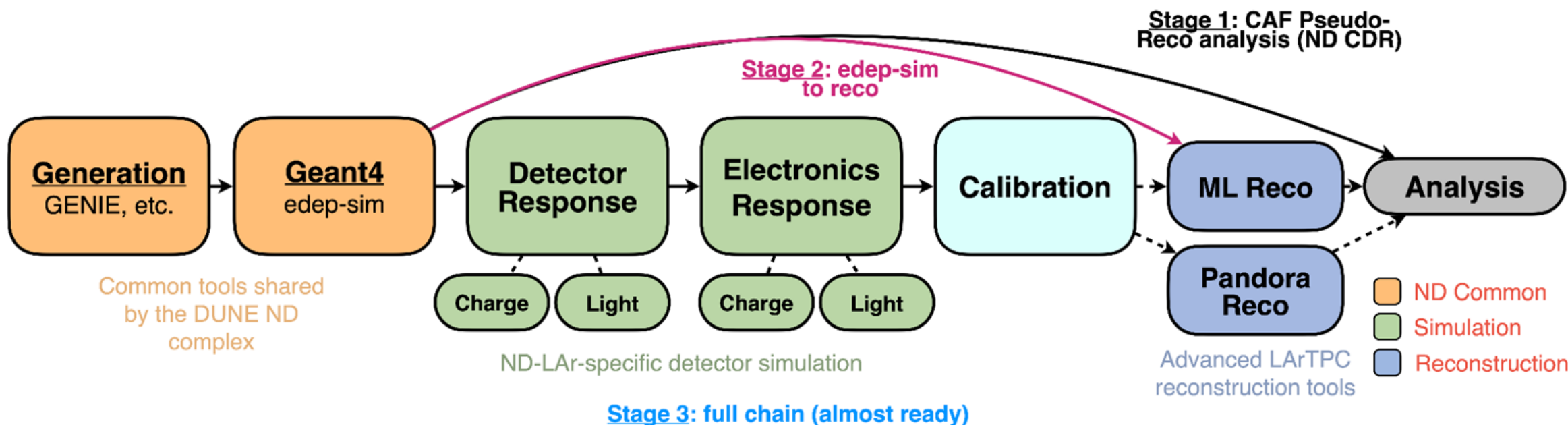
# Recommendations from past reviews

- Relevant recommendations have centered on:
  - Simulation and Analysis
    - Developing a complete end-to-end ND-LAr simulation and reconstruction workflow
    - Integrating simulated/reconstructed event samples into DUNE oscillation analysis
  - Analysis supporting ND-LAr design and subsystems
    - Requirements regarding detector size, geometry, and modularity
    - Subsystem design: E.g. maximum tolerable E field nonuniformity, inactive materials, ...
- To address these recommendations and support design validation and DUNE physics, we have undertaken to:
  - Develop a detailed microphysical detector simulation
  - Deploy two complementary advanced event reconstruction paradigms
  - Benchmark and tune our simulation using mid-scale prototype detector data
  - Engage deeply with DUNE Physics efforts toward an enhanced sensitivity analysis employing fully simulated and reconstructed Near Detector event samples and a highly detailed model of systematic uncertainties

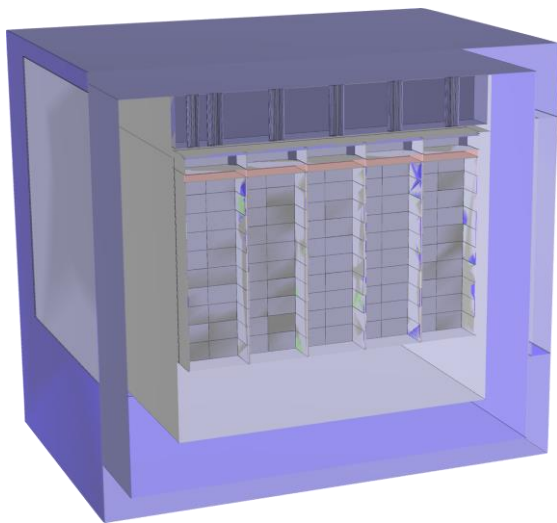


## Simulation and Analysis Tools

- Study prototype data and provide actionable feedback for detector design considerations. Assess whether the prototype data indicates we are on a path to meet ND-LAr performance requirements.
- Perform ND-LAr simulations to support broader DUNE physics analysis efforts, including demonstrating ND deliverables with a realistic simulation. Incorporate an up-to-date understanding of detector design and performance, and automated reconstruction.

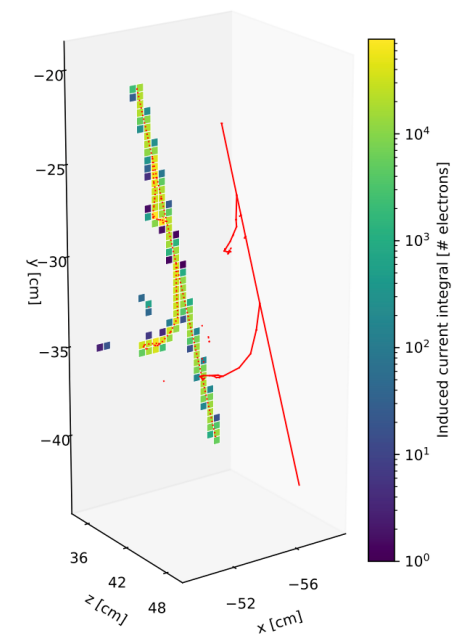
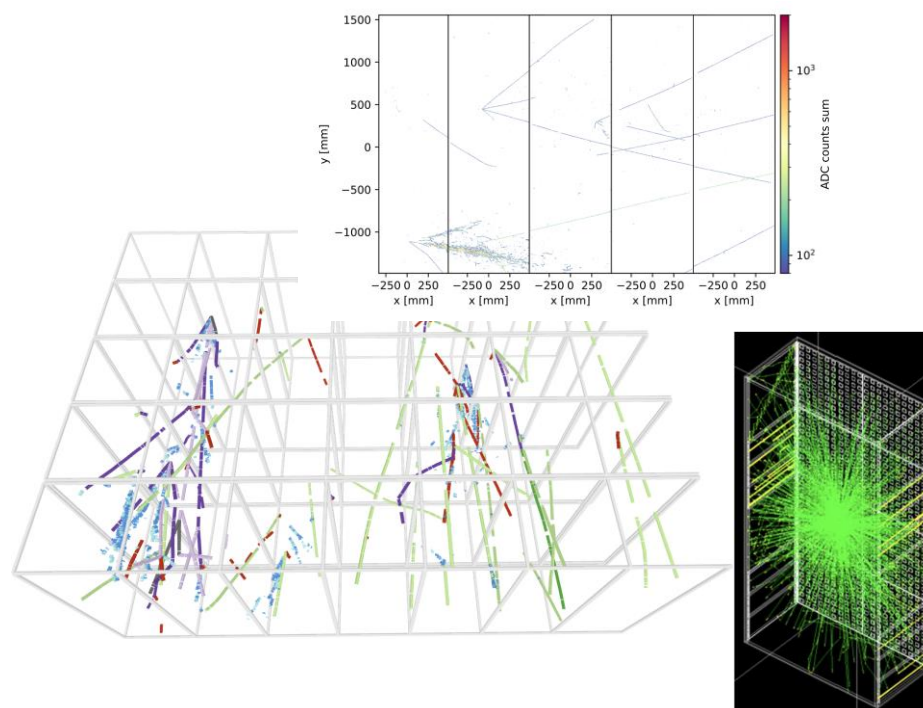


# Simulation and Analysis Tools: Detector Simulation



- Detailed microphysical ND-LAr and prototype geometry
- Cryostat features e.g. composite window and scintillator panels
- Realistic material budget and inactive regions

- Advanced charge and light response simulation developed for pixel-based LArTPCs ([github](#))
- 10,000× acceleration with GPUs
- Outputs in LArPix data format



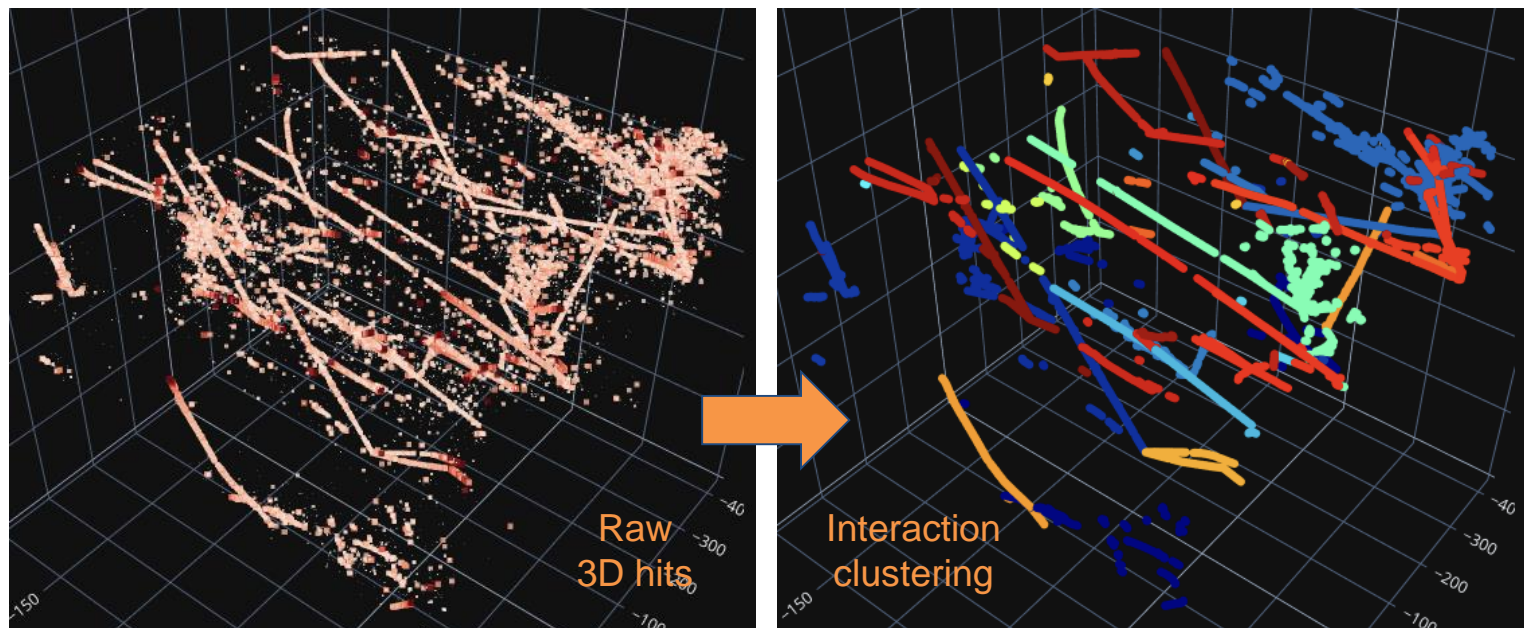
- Simulations of Module-N and 2×2 prototypes
- Module-0/1 data/MC comparisons used to tune & improve MC modeling



# Simulation and Analysis Tools: Reconstruction

Two advanced reconstruction paradigms:

## Machine-Learning Based Reconstruction



- Multi-algorithm deep-learning assisted full event reconstruction ([github](#))
- Successfully deployed in the MicroBooNE, SBN, ICARUS, and ProtoDUNE wire-based LArTPCs
- Already working with ND-LAr's native 3D readout and outputting into common analysis files (CAFs)

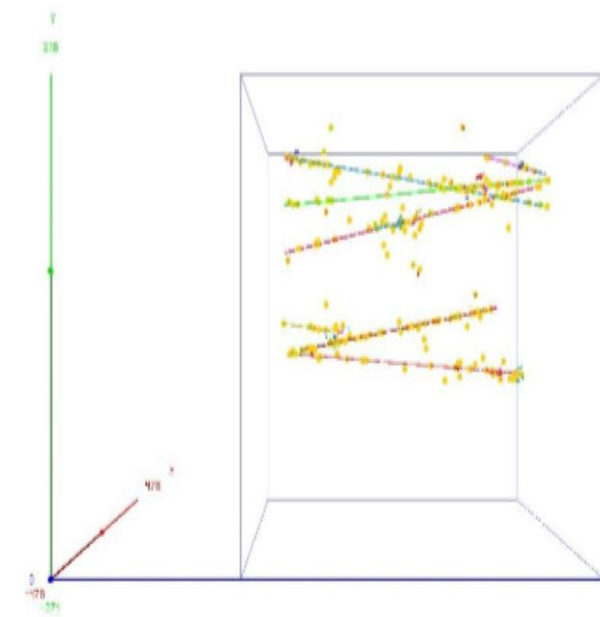
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## Pandora



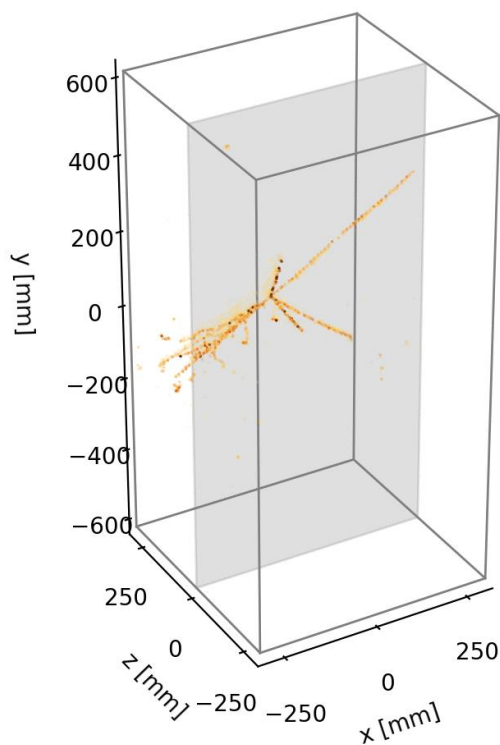
- Highly customizable particle-flow based event reconstruction ([github](#))
- Used in DUNE FD, MicroBooNE, SBN, ProtoDUNE, etc.
- Currently working in 2D projections to leverage existing toolchain, 3D algorithms coming soon

# Simulation and Analysis Tools: Prototype Data Analysis

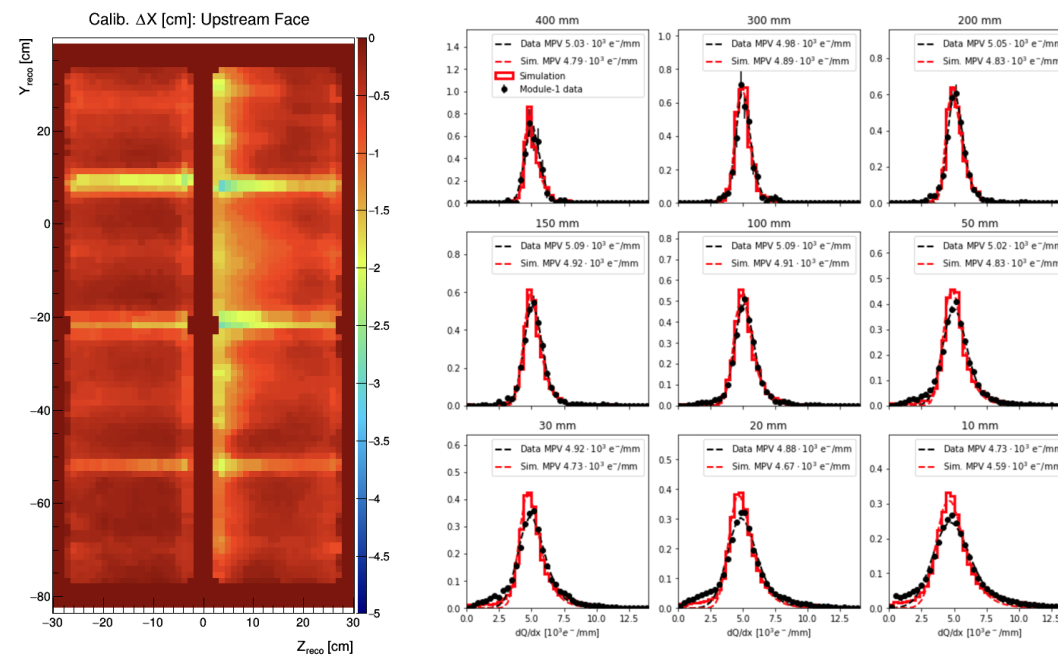
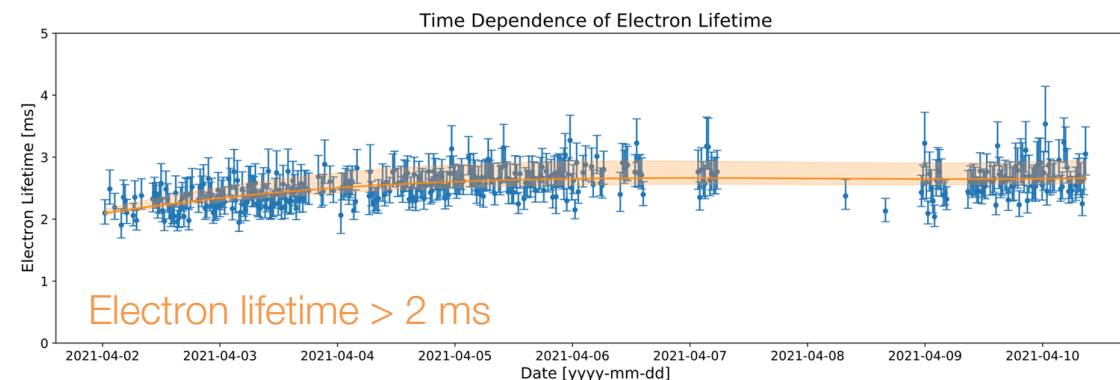
## Module-0 Prototype Analysis

Article under review  
(EDMS [2746204](#))

- ND-LAr and prototypes use a common simulation & analysis infrastructure
- Prototype data analysis is addressing key design requirements
- Prototype data to simulation comparisons already used to enhance and tune detector modeling
  - o Automatically feeds into ND-LAr simulation
- Complete detector simulation & reconstruction supports detailed design maturation and a new generation of DUNE physics analysis



Imaged cosmic rays from  
Module-1 prototype data  
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E field uniformity < 1%

Data/MC for track  $dE/dx$

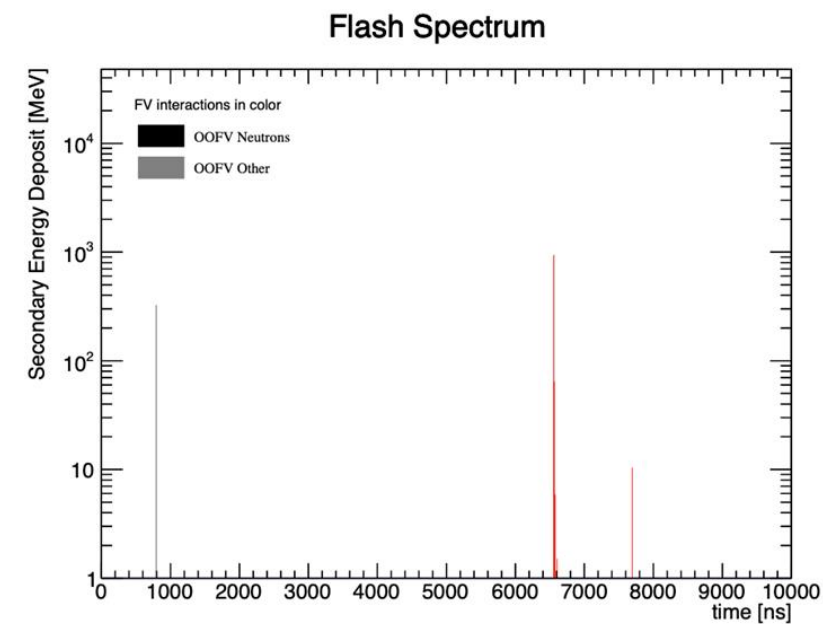
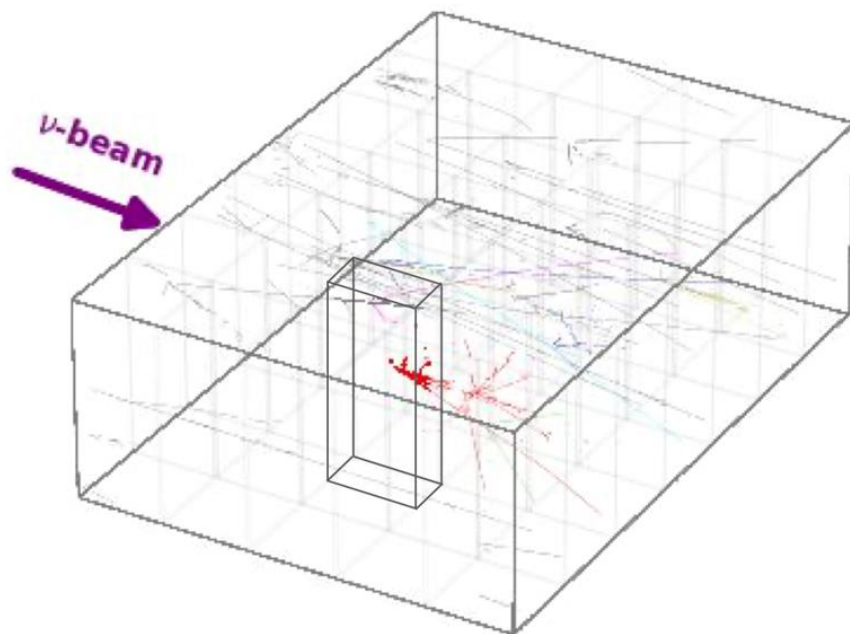
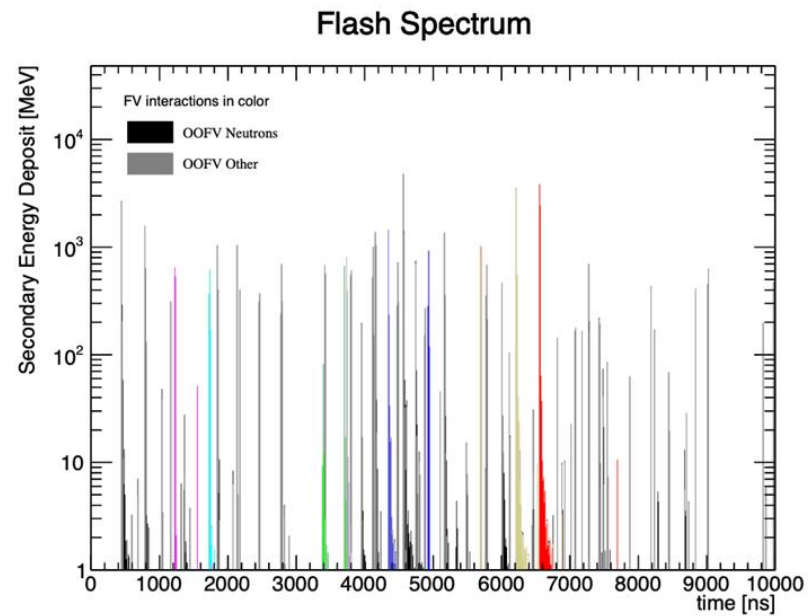
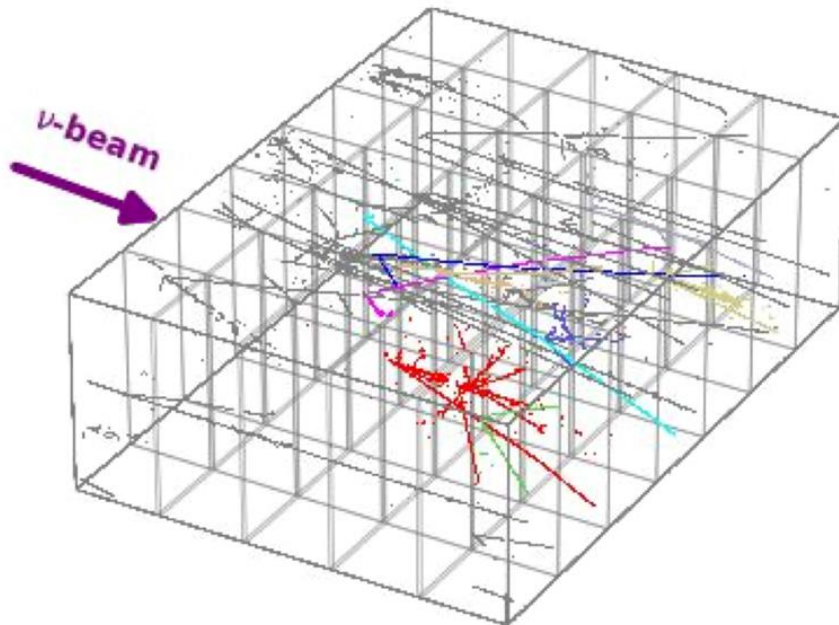
# Pathway to the FDR

- Finalize the complete “end to end” simulation and analysis chain
  - Tuning and optimization of reconstruction algorithms using novel 3D readout and rich optical detection information from hybrid high-coverage light system
- Support the 2×2 Demonstrator analysis
  - Excellent opportunity to exercise the full system including reconstruction of GeV-scale neutrino interactions in a multi-module environment with matching to an external tracker
- Support subsystem requirement validation
  - Leverage our detailed, increasingly data-driven microphysical simulation to extrapolate prototype performance to ND-LAr, validate design and retire design risks
- Integrate fully simulated and reconstructed samples into DUNE oscillation analysis
  - Support a next generation of DUNE sensitivity studies with a much more complete and sophisticated model of the DUNE ND complex
  - Our group is strongly engaged with this collaboration effort, including a detailed reassessment of key systematic uncertainties
- Support analysis with prototypes
  - 2x2 and FSD

## Summary

- ND-LAr is essential to DUNE's oscillation physics program
- ND-LAr is only option on the table that meets the high-level requirements:
  - LArTPC
  - Same response as FD
  - Pile-up resistant
- Significant progress towards full end-to-end simulation and reconstruction building on shared ND efforts and tools
  - Synergy with prototyping effort
  - Provides a path to addressing low-level requirements

## Backup Slides



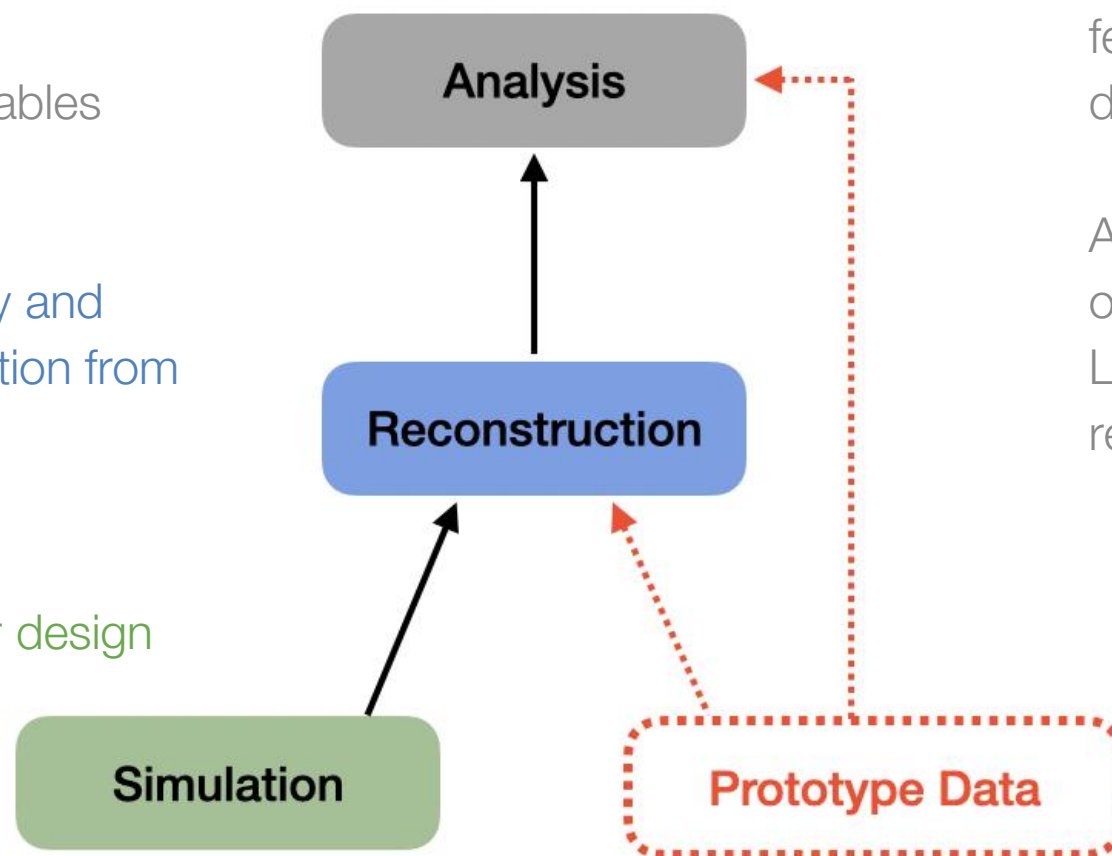


## Scope of ND-LAr Analysis Group

Support broader DUNE physics analysis efforts, including demonstrating ND deliverables

Develop an automated reconstruction that reliably and optimally extracts information from ND-LAr interactions

Incorporate up-to-date understanding of detector design & performance



Provide actionable feedback for detector design considerations

Assess whether we are on a path to meet ND-LAr performance requirements