

# Charge Exchange Inclusive Differential Cross Section Measurement

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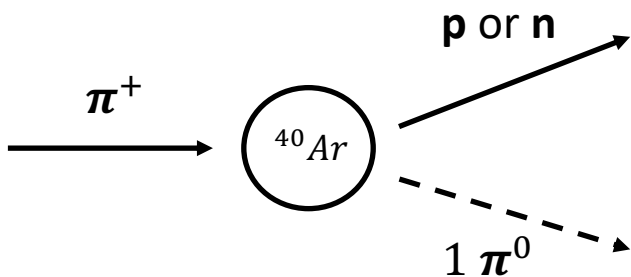
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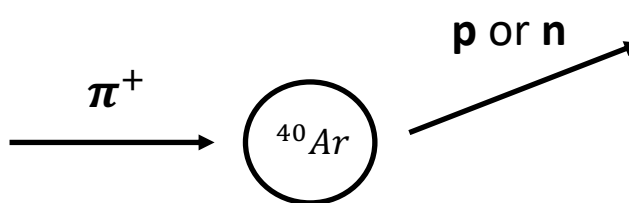
# Signal Topology

- 1 GeV  $\pi^+$  beam events in ProtoDUNE-SP.

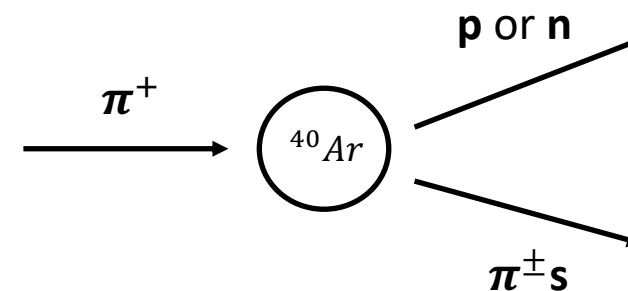
Pion Charge Exchange



Pion Absorption (background)

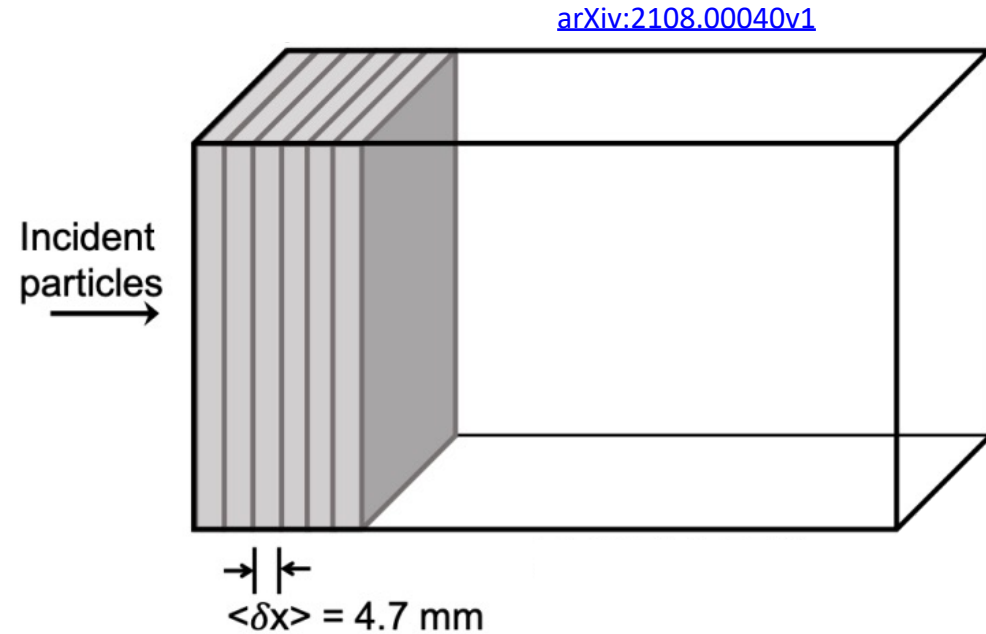
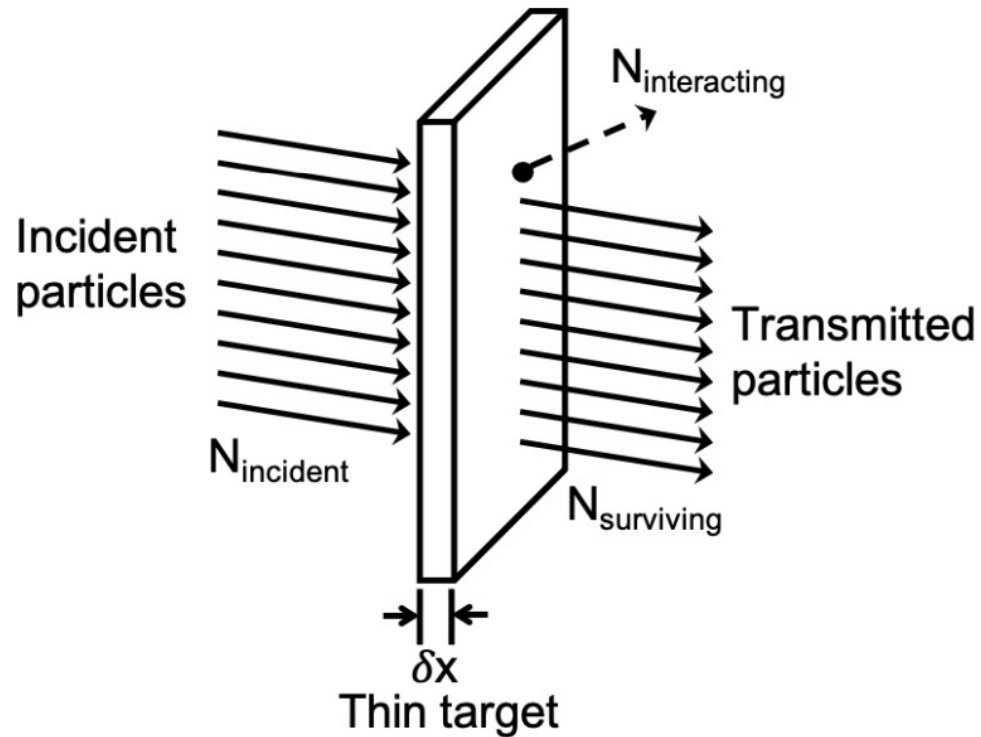


Pion Inelastic (background)



| Topology                     | $\pi^\pm$ | $\pi^0$               | proton <b>or</b> neutron |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Pion Charge Exchange         | No        | Yes (only 1 $\pi^0$ ) | Yes                      |
| Pion Absorption (background) | No        | No                    | Yes                      |
| Pion Inelastic (background)  | Yes       | No                    | Yes                      |
| Single Pi0 (background)      | Yes       | Yes (only 1 $\pi^0$ ) | Yes                      |
| Multi Pi0 (background)       | -         | Yes (> 1 $\pi^0$ )    | Yes                      |

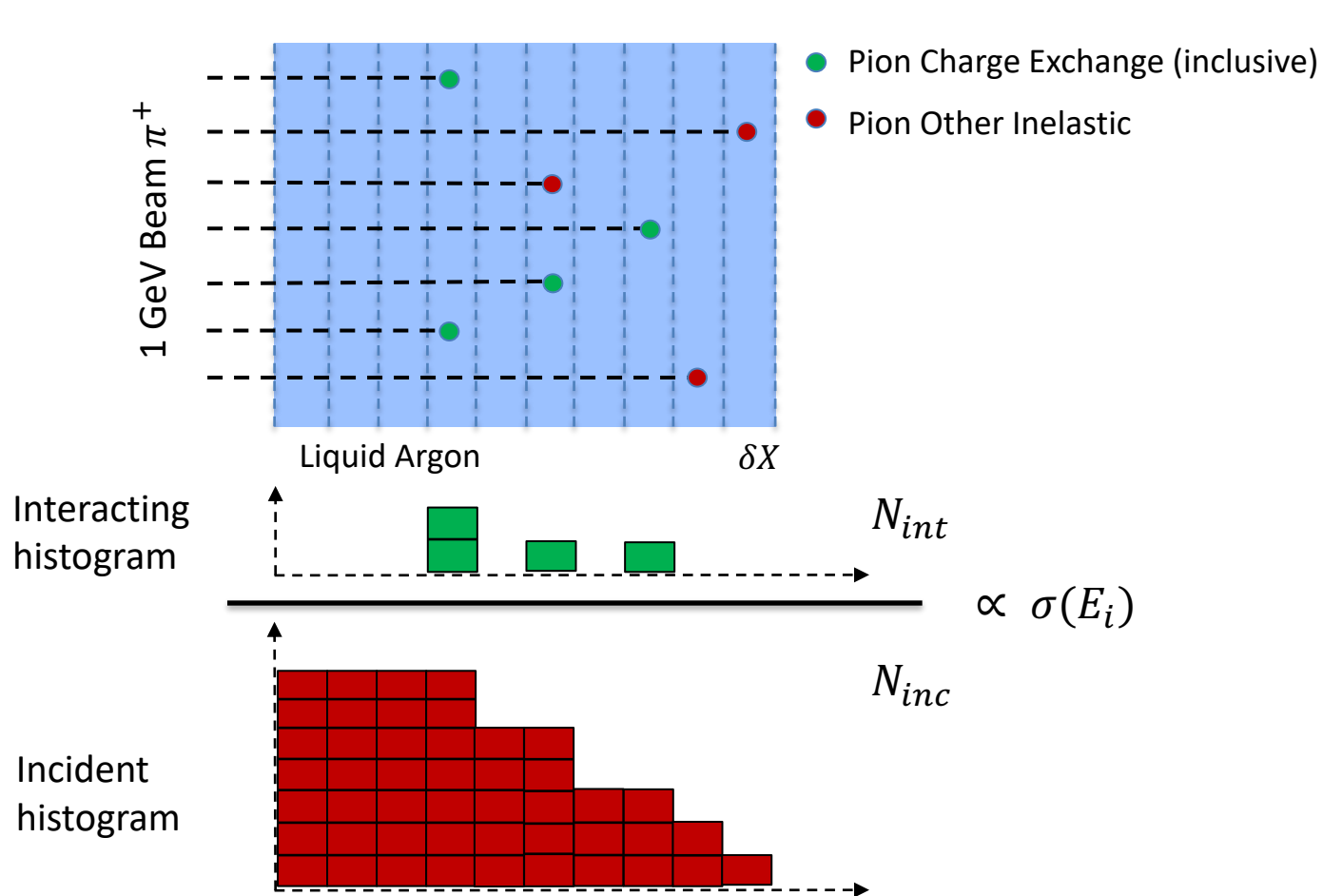
# Thin-Slice Method



[arXiv:2108.00040v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.00040v1)

- Interaction probability  $\frac{N_{\text{int}}}{N_{\text{inc}}} = P_{\text{Int}} = 1 - e^{-\sigma_{\text{Tot}} n \delta X}$ ,  $n = \frac{\rho N_A}{m_{\text{Ar}}}$  is the density of the target.
- The interaction length of pions in liquid argon is of the order of  $\sim 50 \text{ cm}$ .
- Treat the argon volume as a sequence of many adjacent thin targets.

# Thin-Slice Method



$$\sigma = \frac{m_{Ar}}{\rho \delta X N_A} \ln\left(\frac{N_{inc}}{N_{inc} - N_{int}}\right)$$

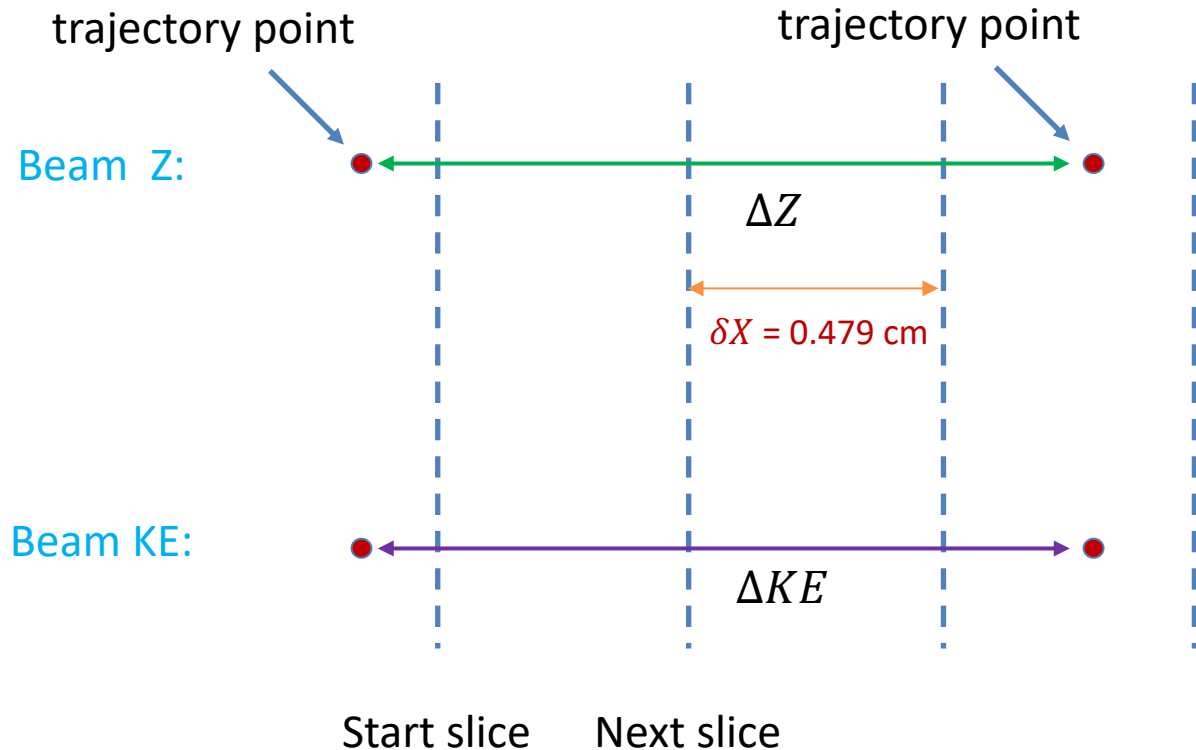
- ❖  $m_{Ar}$  is the mass of argon atom
- ❖  $N_A$  is the Avogadro constant
- ❖  $\rho$  is the density of liquid argon
- ❖  $\delta X$  is the thickness of the slice
- ❖  $N_{inc}$  is the number of incident beam pions in a slice
- ❖  $N_{int}$  is the number of beam pions which have interactions in a slice

[Francesca's thesis](#)

# Method Validation in Truth Level

- $N_{inc}$  and  $N_{int}$  are two 1D histogram in terms of beam pion kinetic energy (KE).
- Two PDSP Analyzer variables are used to fill the histograms:
  - `true_beam_traj_Z` (true beam trajectory points - z coordinates)
  - `true_beam_traj_KE` (true beam trajectory points – kinetic energy)
- Spatial slicing  $\delta X = 0.479 \text{ cm}$  - wire spacing/pitch.
- Each histogram has a range of 0 – 1000 MeV with a bin width of 50 MeV

# Method Validation in Truth Level



- Only include trajectory points starting in the active volume
- Only include trajectory points less than slice 464 (the end of APA3)
- Loop over all trajectory points
- Calculate  $\Delta Z$  and  $\Delta KE$  between adjacent points
- Use  $\frac{\delta X}{\Delta Z} = \frac{\delta E}{\Delta KE}$  to get energy slices

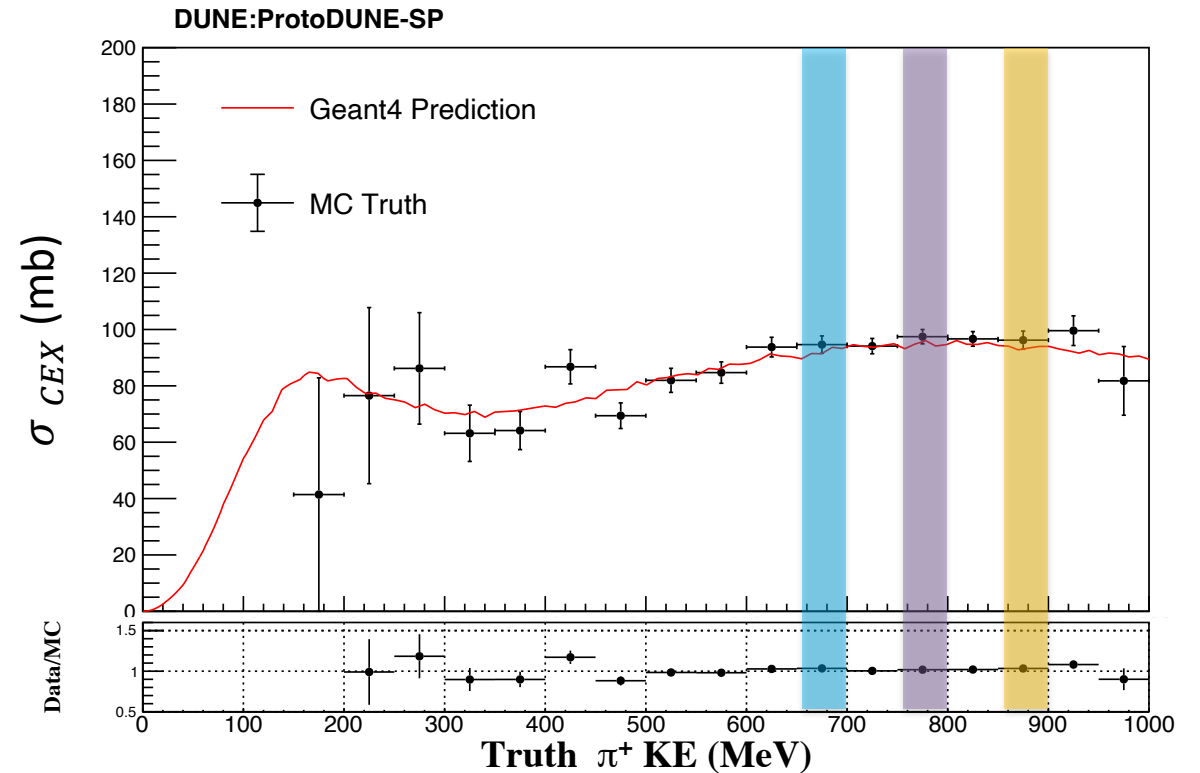
- Obtain a new beam KE vector with wire pitch (0.479 cm) slicing
- If the last trajectory point ends within the APA3, the beam interacting energy is assigned.

# Total Truth Cross Section $\sigma_{\text{CEX}}$

- If beam PDG is 211, then loop over the new KE vector and fill  $N_{\text{inc}}$  histogram.
- If beam end process is “pi+Inelastic” and with charge exchange topology, then fill  $N_{\text{int}}$  histogram with the last element of the new KE vector .
- For each bin  $i$ , the cross section is calculated as:

$$\sigma_i = \frac{m_{\text{Ar}}}{\rho \delta X N_A} \ln \left( \frac{N_{\text{inc}}}{N_{\text{inc}} - N_{\text{int}}} \right)_i$$

- $m_{\text{Ar}} = 39.95 \text{ g/mol}$ ,  $\rho = 1.39 \text{ g/cm}^3$
- $N_A = 6.02 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ 1/mol}$ ,  $\delta X = 0.479 \text{ cm}$



# Differential Cross Section Formula

- Calculate the differential cross section as,

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{\pi^0}}\right)_{ij} = \frac{m_{Ar}}{\rho\delta X N_A} \frac{1}{(\Delta E_{\pi^0})} \frac{N_{int}^{ij}}{N_{inc}^i} \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

- Thin slice total CEX cross section is,

$$\sigma_i = \frac{m_{Ar}}{\rho\delta X N_A} \frac{N_{int}^i}{N_{inc}^i} \quad (\text{Eq. 2})$$

- Then the differential cross section formula is (Sub. Eq. 2 into Eq. 1),

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{\pi^0}}\right)_{ij} = \frac{1}{(\Delta E_{\pi^0})} \frac{N_{int}^{ij}}{N_{int}^i} \sigma_i$$

$$\sigma_i \approx \frac{m_{Ar}}{\rho\delta X N_A} \frac{N_{int}^i}{N_{inc}^i}$$

$\Delta E_{\pi^0}$  is the bin width of  $\pi^0$  KE

Index i : beam  $E_{\pi^+}$  bin,

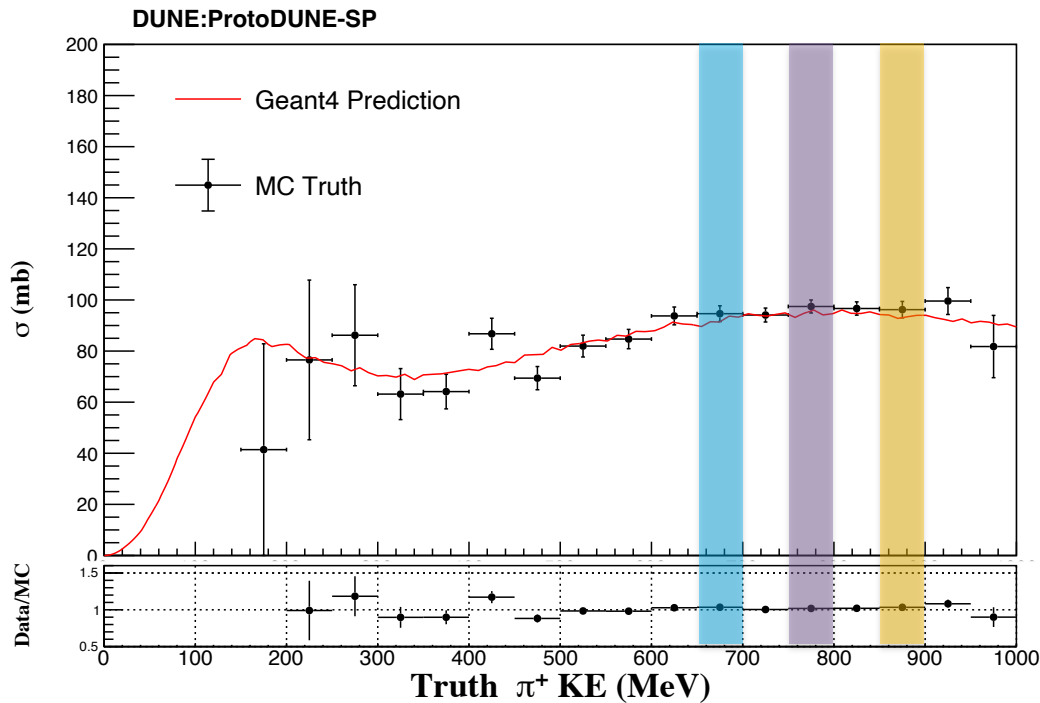
Index j : daughter  $E_{\pi^0}$  bin

Thank you Jonathon Sensenig for useful discussions!



# GEANT4 and Truth $d\sigma$ Calculation

- The **Geant4Rewight** package is used to extract the differential cross section,  $\frac{d\sigma}{dE}$
- Measure differential XS at each bin  $i$  (for a given pion KE).

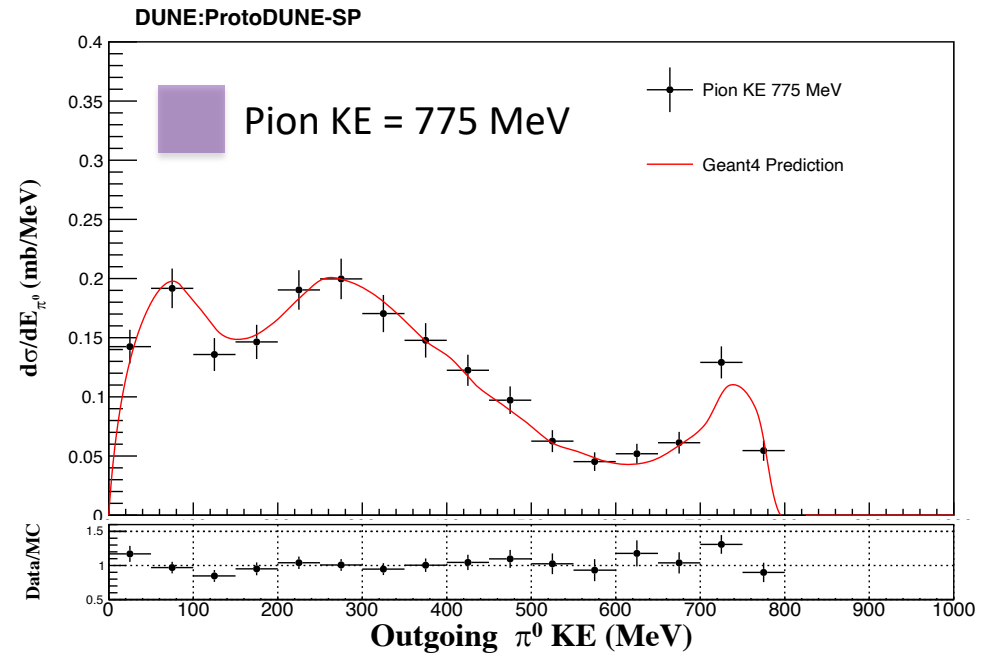
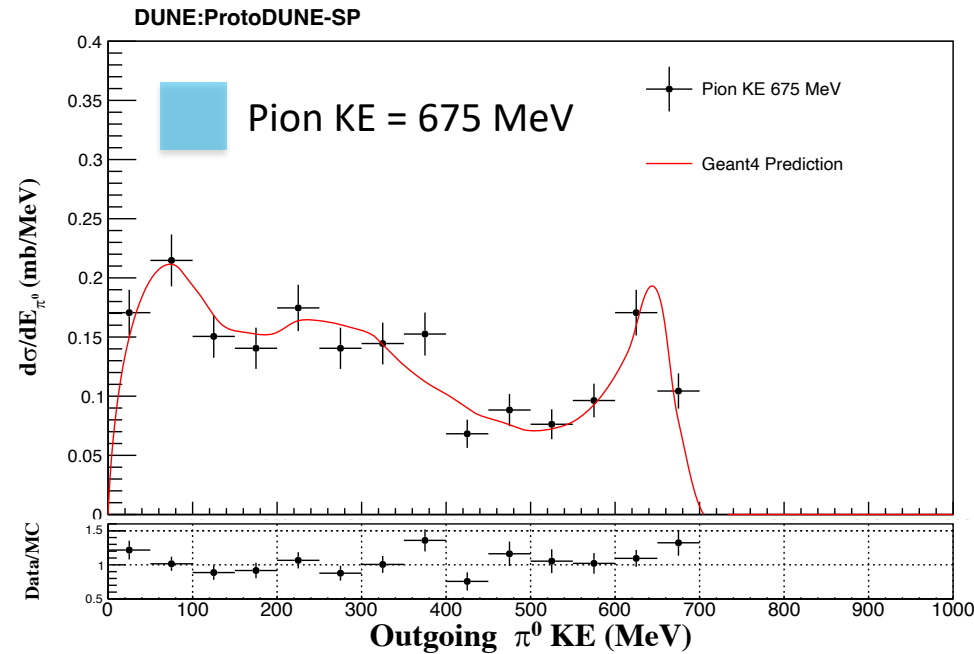


- Pion KE = 675 MeV → Evaluate  $\sigma_{KE=675 \text{ MeV}}$
- Pion KE = 775 MeV → Evaluate  $\sigma_{KE=775 \text{ MeV}}$
- Pion KE = 875 MeV → Evaluate  $\sigma_{KE=875 \text{ MeV}}$

- Differential XS for bin  $j$  (daughter  $E_{\pi^0}$  bin) is,

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{\pi^0}}\right)_j = \frac{1}{(\Delta E_{\pi^0})} \frac{N_{int}^j}{N_{int}} \sigma_{KE=775 \text{ MeV}}$$

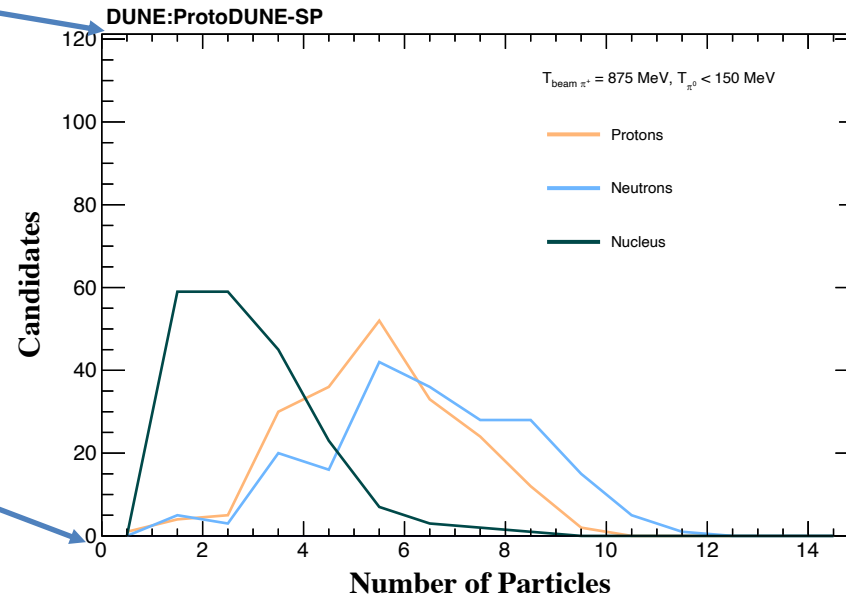
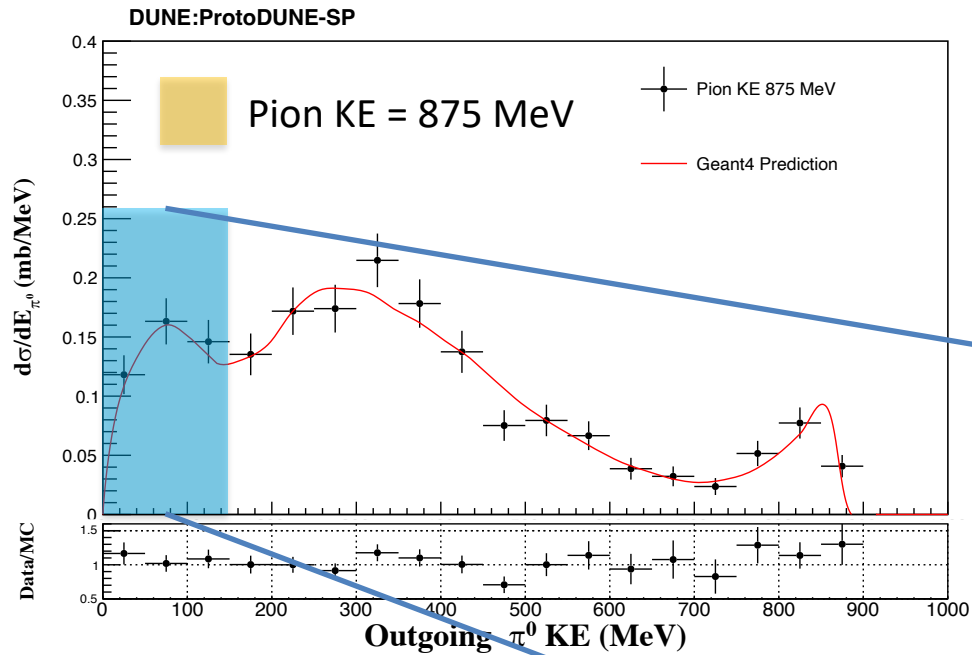
# $d\sigma$ Validation in Truth Level



- The differential cross section formula works well in truth level.
- There are three peaks in the differential cross section distribution.

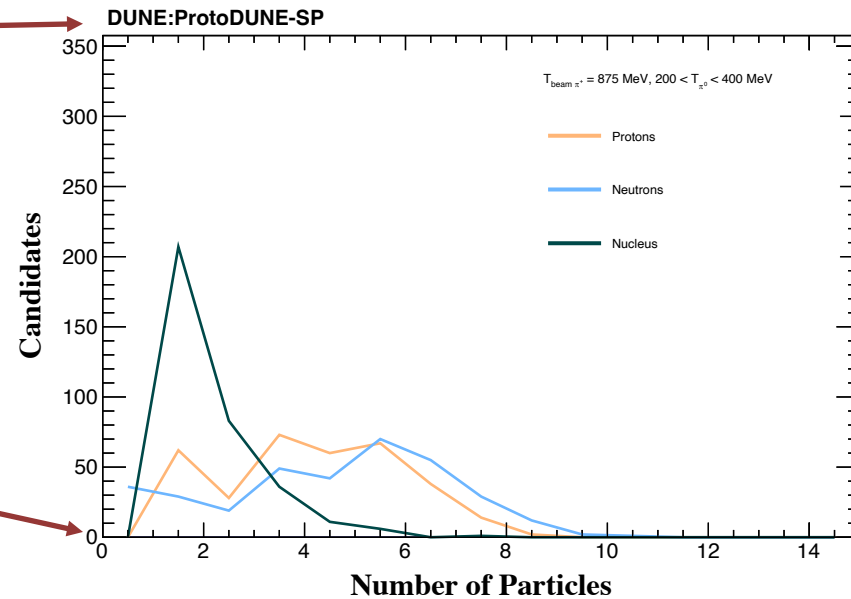
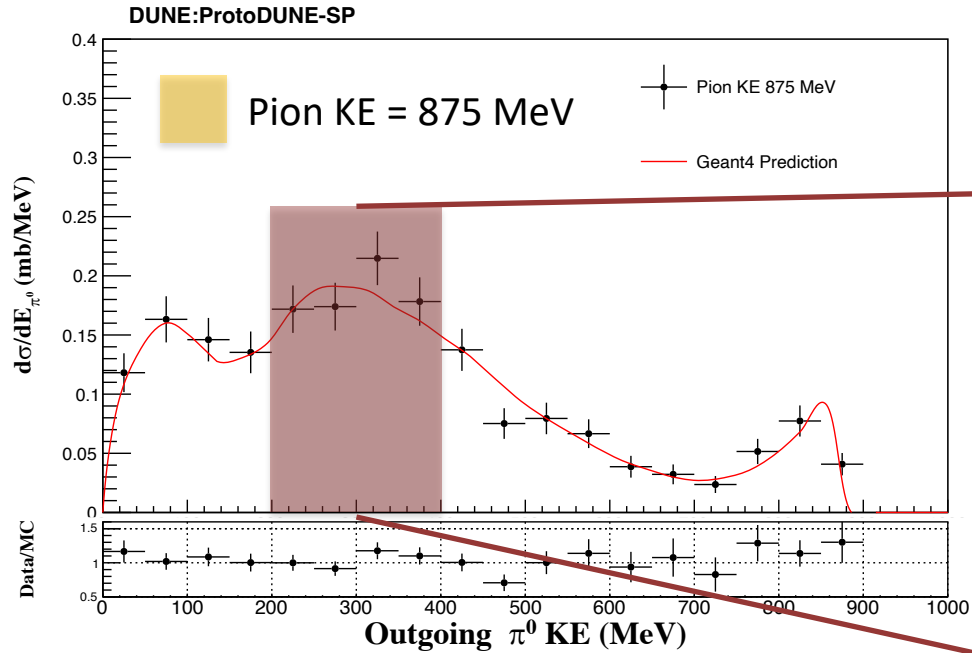
# Low $E_{\pi^0}$ Region

- Nucleus is defined as PDG > 2212, such as a  $\Delta$  baryon.
- Many daughter nucleons.
- The direction of  $\pi^0$  is arbitrary.

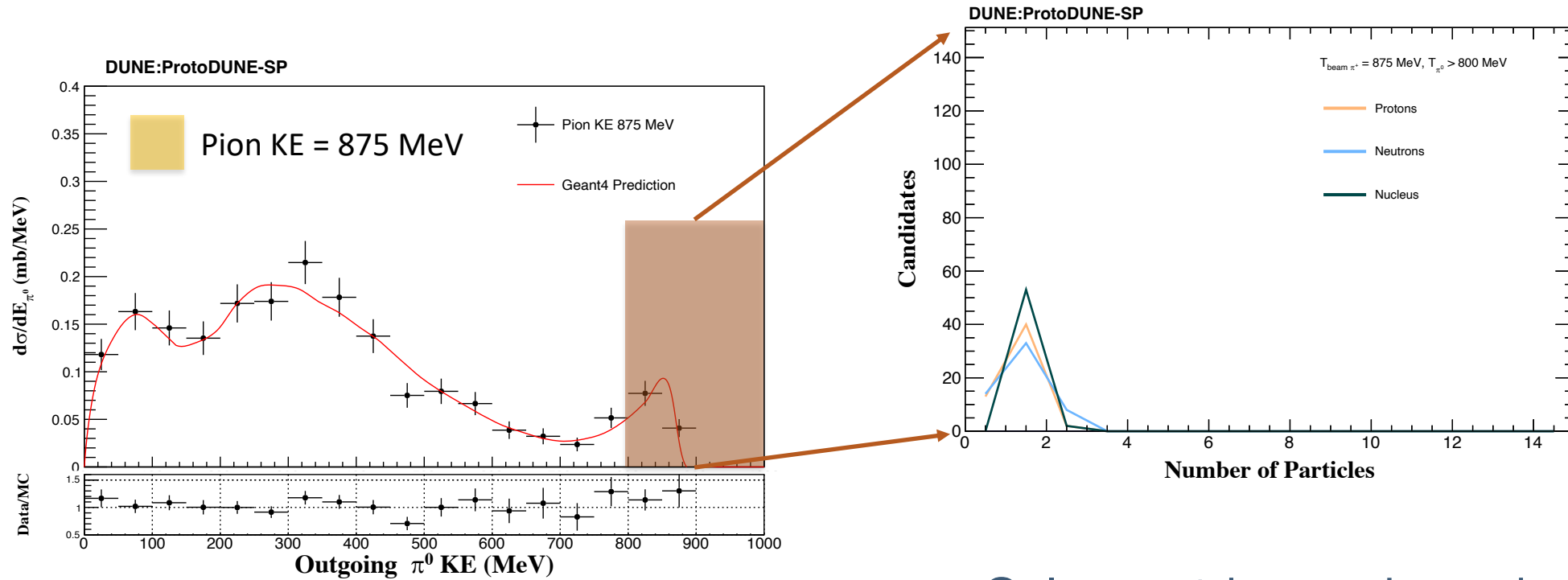


# Middle $E_{\pi^0}$ Region

- Less  $\Delta$  baryons are produced.



# High $E_{\pi^0}$ Region



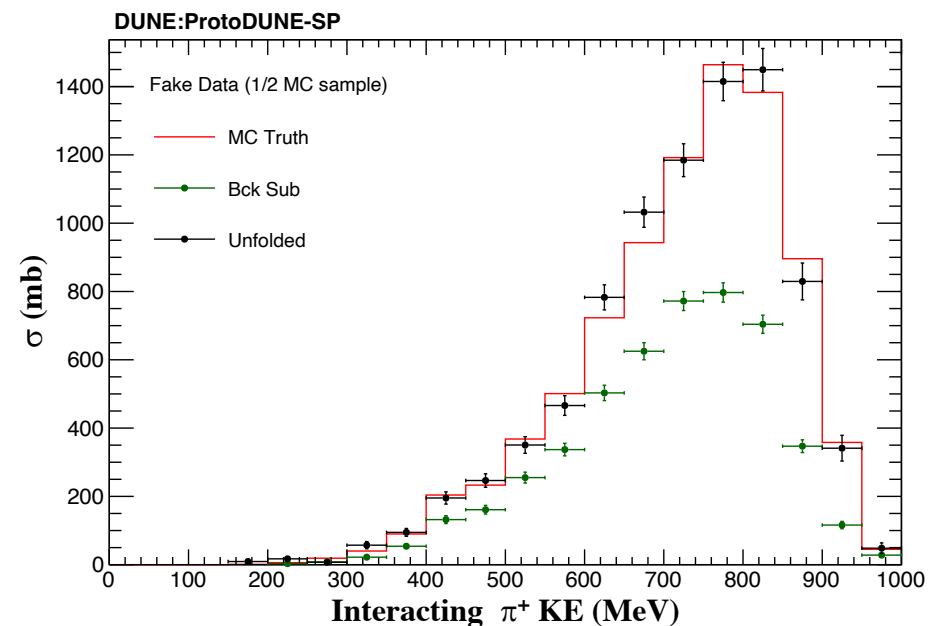
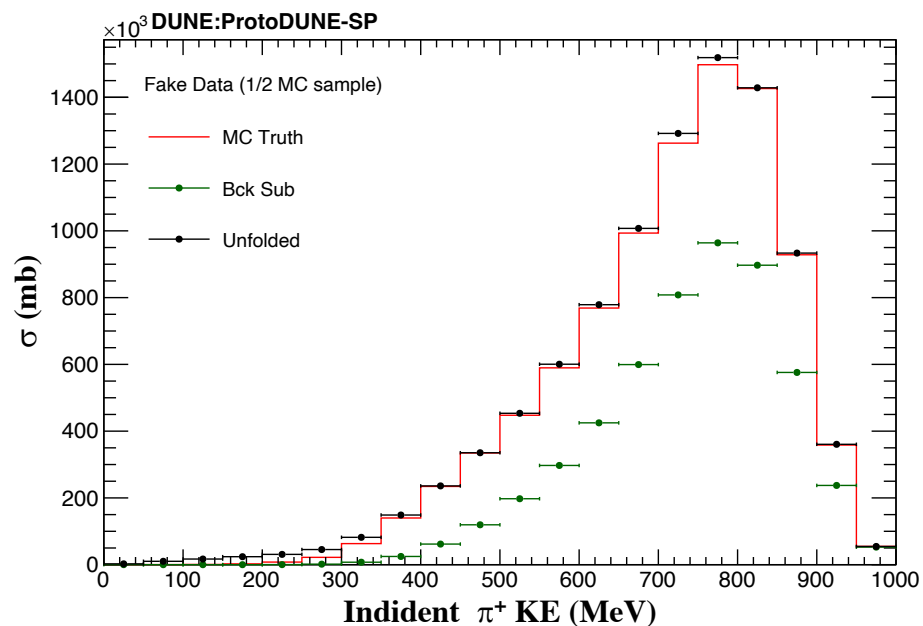
- Only one  $\Delta$  baryon is produced.
- Decays into a nucleon and a  $\pi^0$ .
- The direction of  $\pi^0$  is forward.

# Fake Data Test

# Fake Data

- Full 1GeV Pion MC sample is divided into 2 sub-samples.
  1. Fake Data
  2. MC
- MC sample is used to train the mapping response matrix for unfolding.
- Fake Data is used to validate the cross section extraction procedures.
- The unfolding is done using **RooUnfold package** (iterative Bayesian method, 4 iterations)

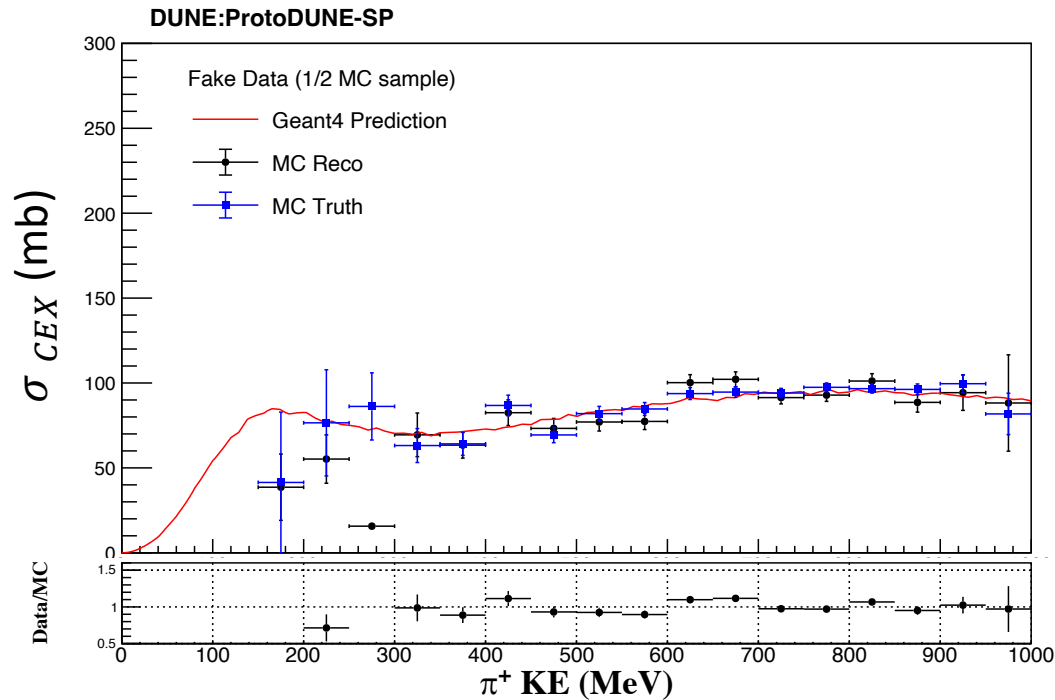
# Background Subtraction & Unfolding



- Mapping response matrix is trained using half of the total MC.
- The other half of the MC is used to test the unfolding procedures.
- The red histogram is computed using the truth information of the fake data sample.

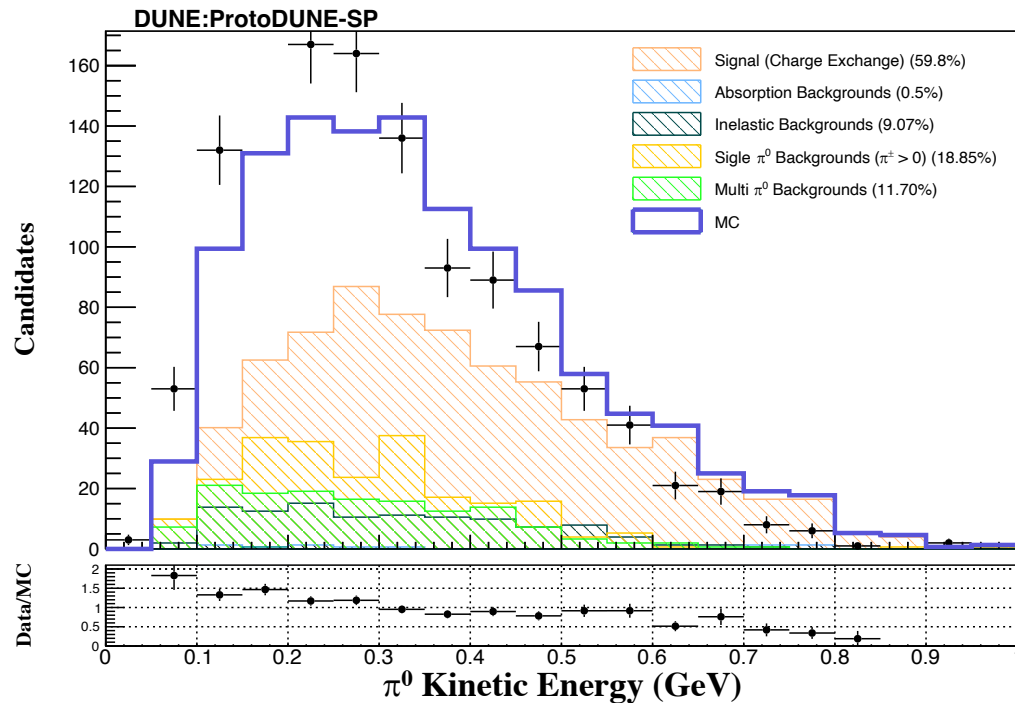


# Total Cross Section $\sigma_{CEX}$ Measurement



- MC Reco is the fake data sample after background subtraction and unfolding.
- MC Truth is derived using the truth information of the fake data sample.
- Above **300 MeV**, both Reco and Truth agree with the Geant4 prediction well.

# $\pi^0$ Kinematic Energy Reconstruction



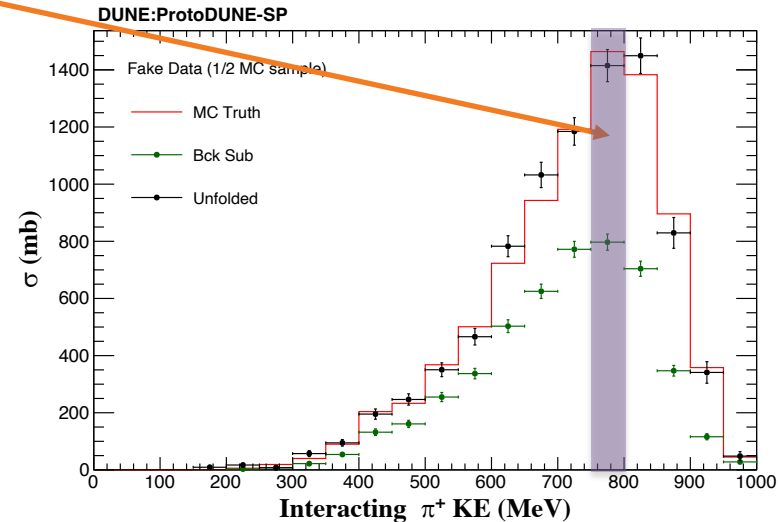
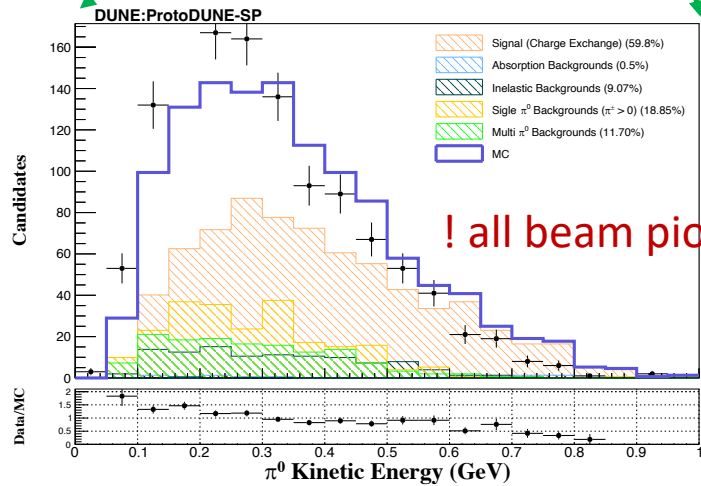
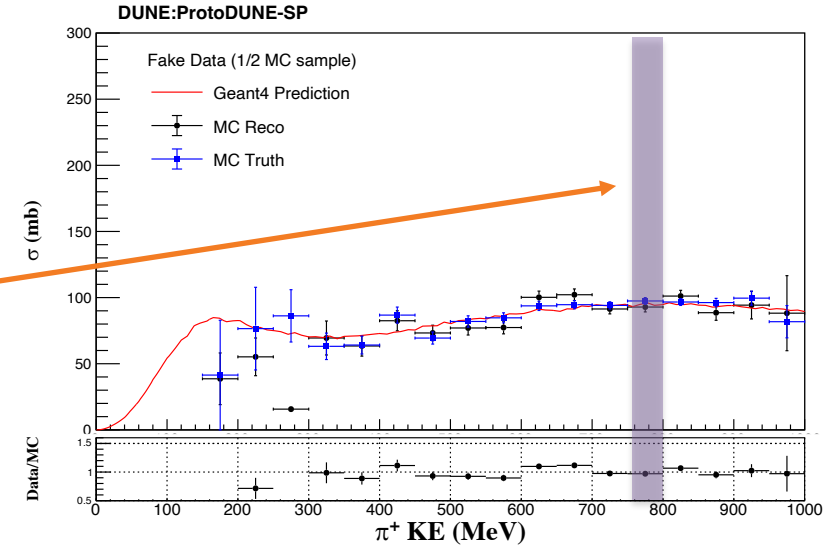
! All Reco Pion Beam Sample !

- Reconstructed  $\pi^0$  kinetic energy distribution from my previous  $\pi^0$  analysis.
- Event topology definitions can be found in page 2.
- Signal (charge exchange) is around 60%.
- The largest background is single  $\pi^0$  events but with  $\pi^{+/-} > 0$  (19%)
- No phase space cut on daughter  $\pi^{+/-}$  (cannot detect pion with mom.  $< 150$  MeV/c)

# Towards $d\sigma$ Measurement

- Differential XS for bin  $j$  (daughter  $E_{\pi^0}$  bin) is,

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{\pi^0}}\right)_j = \frac{1}{(\Delta E_{\pi^0})} \frac{N_{int}^j}{N_{int}} \sigma_{KE=775 \text{ MeV}}$$



# Summary

- The formula for computing the differential cross section is discussed.
- Truth-level validation is performed and shows good agreement with Geant4 input.
- Fake data sample (1/2 of MC sample) is used to perform the charge exchange cross section measurement.
- After unfolding, both MC Reco and Truth of the fake data sample agree well with the prediction.
- Obtained all the ingredients for differential cross section measurements using fake data.