



π -Ar Quasi-elastic Scattering and Transverse Kinematic Imbalance Study

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ProtoDUNE π -Ar QE and TKI Meeting

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Generator Level Studies

GEANT4 and FLUKA

- 1 GeV/c π^+ beam on thin (1 cm) LAr target

Event topology - Xianguo's idea

- Single nucleon knocking-out
 - Quasi-elastic : $\pi^+ + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \pi^+ + p + {}^{39}\text{Cl}$
 - Charge exchange : $\pi^+ + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \pi^0 + p + {}^{39}\text{Ar}$
 - To study π^+ -Ar quasi-elastic scattering cross section, TKI, and Fermi motion
- Double nucleon knocking-out
 - $\pi^+ + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \pi^+ + p + p + {}^{38}\text{S}$
 - $\pi^+ + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \pi^+ + p + p + {}^{38}\text{Cl}$
 - A unique chance to study meson exchange with known incoming beam energy
- I reproduced Xianguo's work and studied background compositions

Single Nucleon Knocking-out : Neutral Current

Signal process : $\pi^+ + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow \pi^+ + p + {}^{39}\text{Cl}$

Particle selection

- Signal particles
 - Proton : IPI > 300 MeV
 - π^+ : IPI > 100 MeV
 - π^0 : full acceptance
- Background particles
 - π^- , Kaon, and muon : IPI > 100 MeV

Event selection

- Exact number of signal particles : $N(p) = 1$, $N(\pi^+) = 1$, and $N(\pi^0) = 0$
- Allow any number of photons
- No background particles

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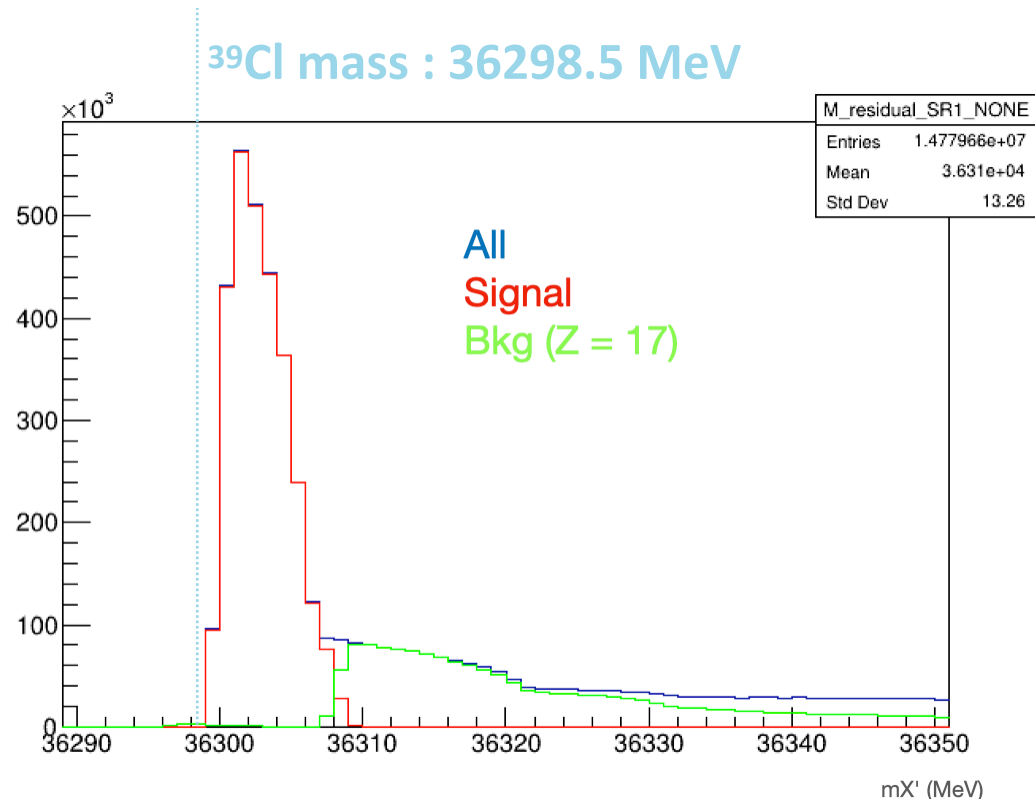
Residual nuclear (X) mass

- Using four-vectors of beam, ^{40}Ar (at rest), out-going π^+ and proton
 - Four-vector of X : beam - ^{40}Ar - π^+ - p

Signal : X is ^{39}Cl

Background : other nuclei at final state

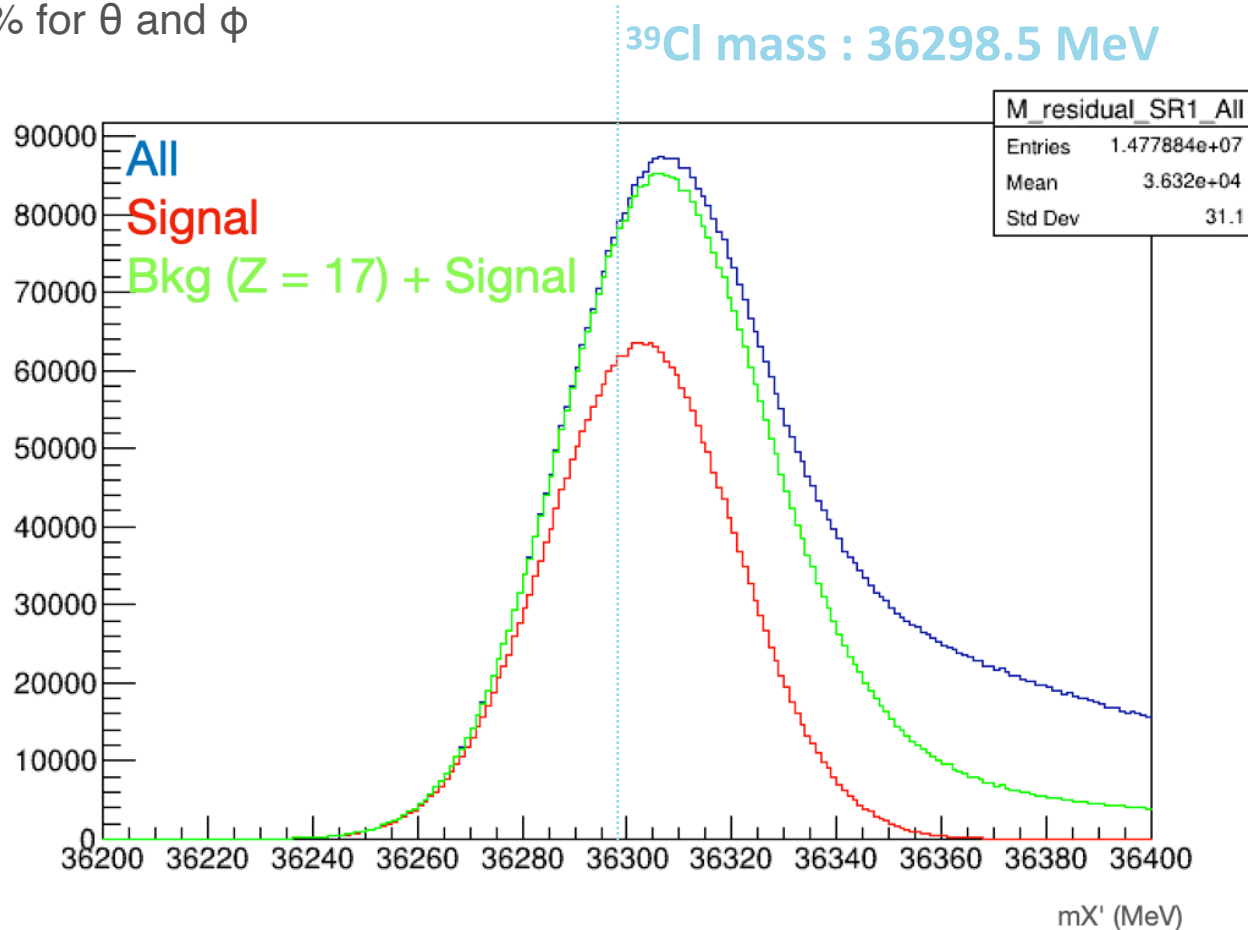
- Bkg(Z = 17)
 - Cl with different atomic mass
 - Multiple neutrons at final state



Single Nucleon Knocking-out : Neutral Current

Smearing on final state particles

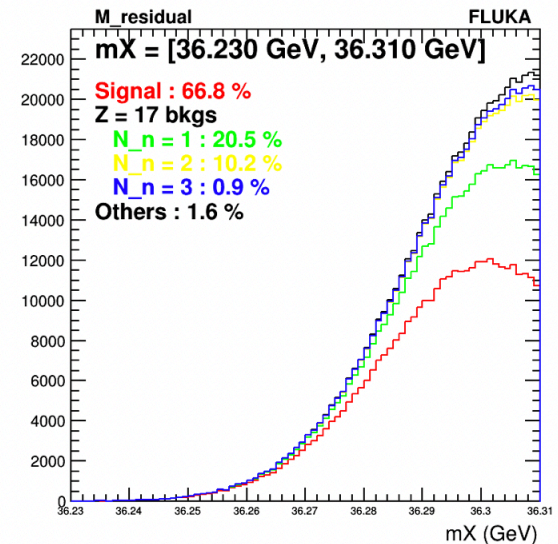
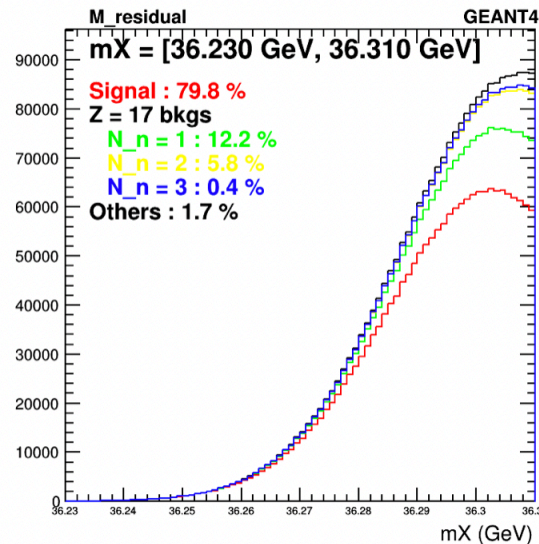
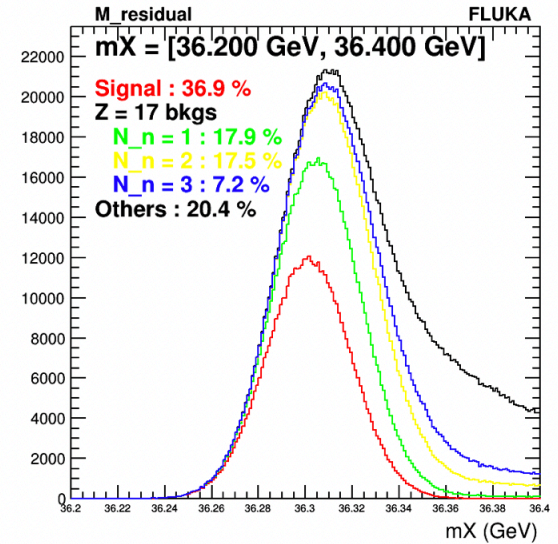
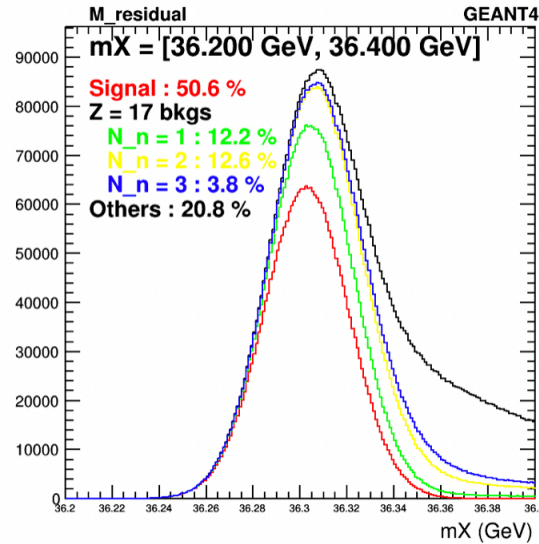
- Momentum : π^+ (2%), π^0 (5%), and proton (2%)
- Angle : 5% for θ and ϕ



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Background composition

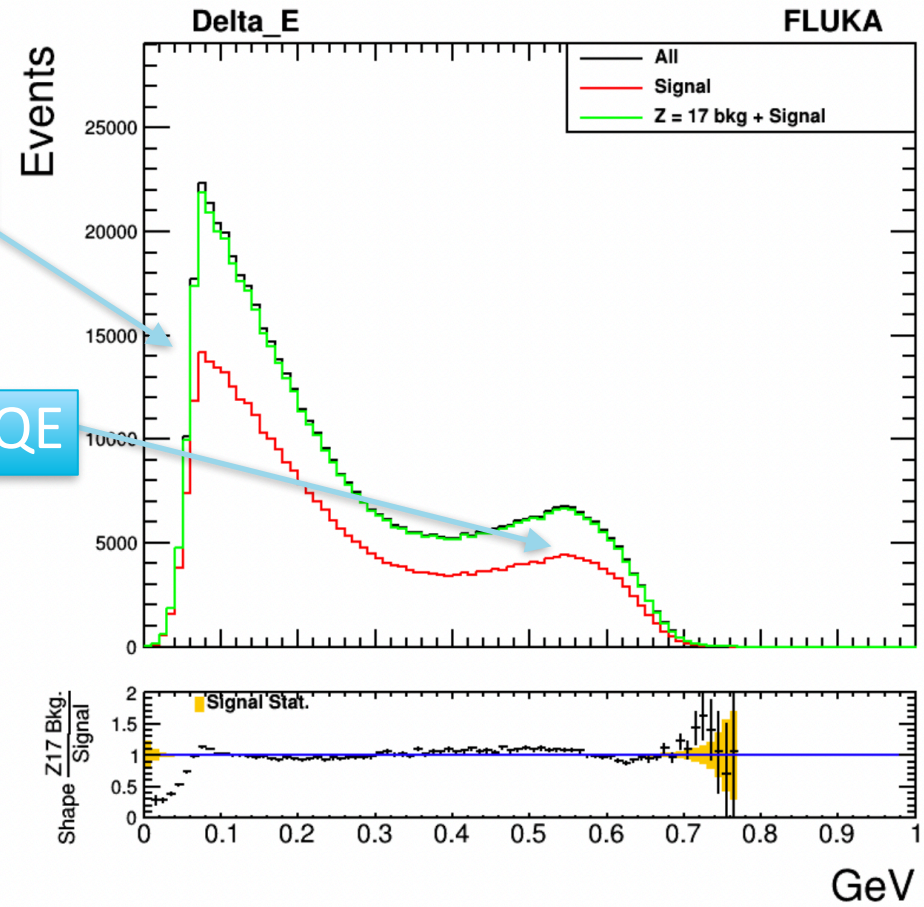
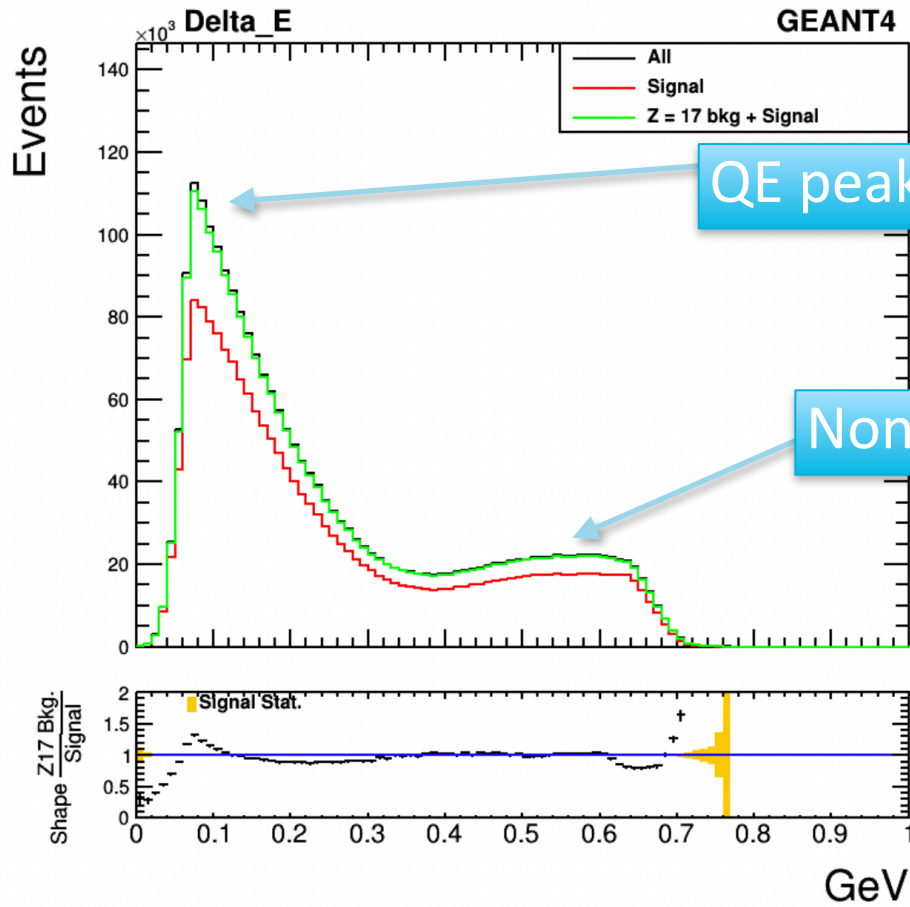
- GEANT4 vs FLUKA
- 70 - 80% signal fraction with $mX < 36.310$ GeV cut



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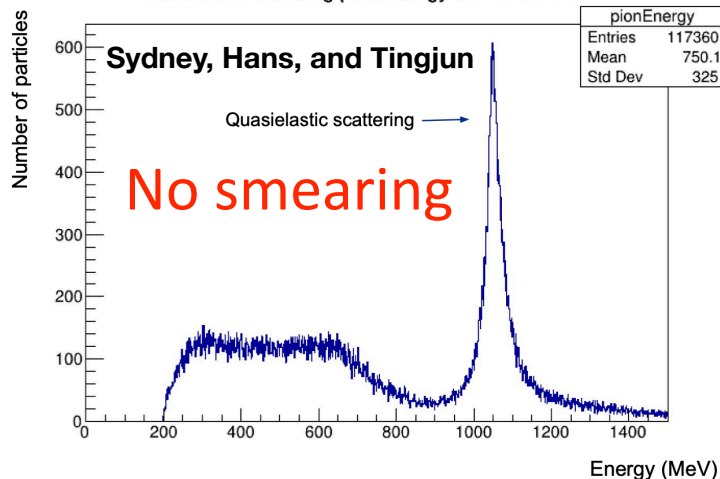
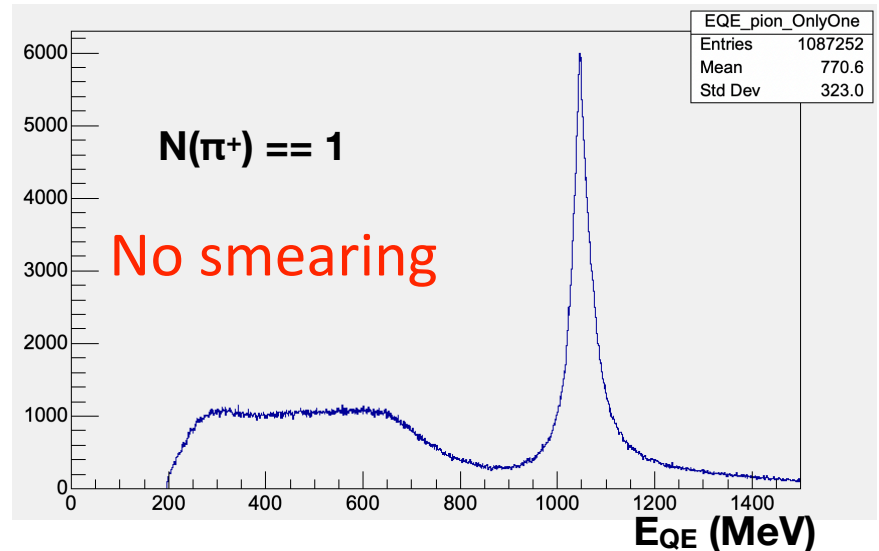
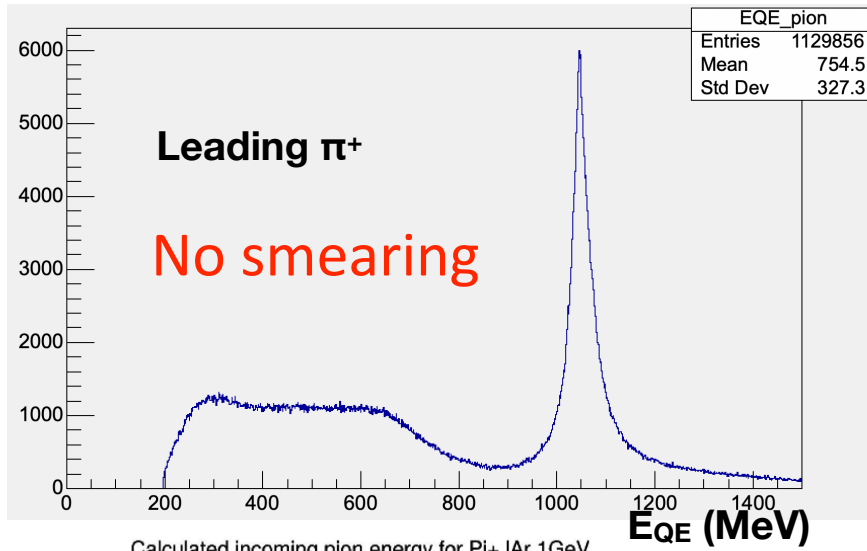
Energy loss of π^+ : $E_{\text{incoming}} - E_{\text{outgoing}}$

- GEANT4 vs FLUKA



Study for Quasi-elastic Scattering of Charged Pions

Can we select QE events using only out-going pion and not other final state particles? [\[link\]](#)



For ν_μ CCQE, $m(\mu) \rightarrow m(\pi^+)$

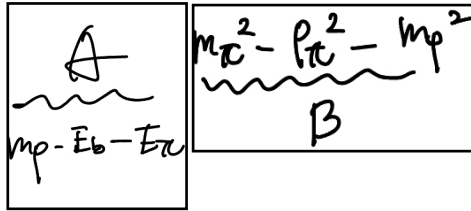
$$E_\pi^{QE} = \frac{m_p^2 - (m_n - E_b)^2 - m_\pi^2 + 2(m_n - E_b)E_\pi}{2(m_n - E_b - E_\pi + |p_\pi^+| \cos\theta)}$$

- m_p : proton mass (938.272 MeV/c²)
- m_n : neutron mass (939.565 MeV/c²)
- m_π : pion mass (139.57 MeV/c²)
- E_b : binding energy of a single nucleon in the nucleus (40 MeV)
- E_π : outgoing pion energy (MeV)
- E_π^{QE} : calculated incoming pion energy (MeV)
- p_π : outgoing pion momentum (MeV/c)
- θ : angle between the z axis and the outgoing pion momentum vector

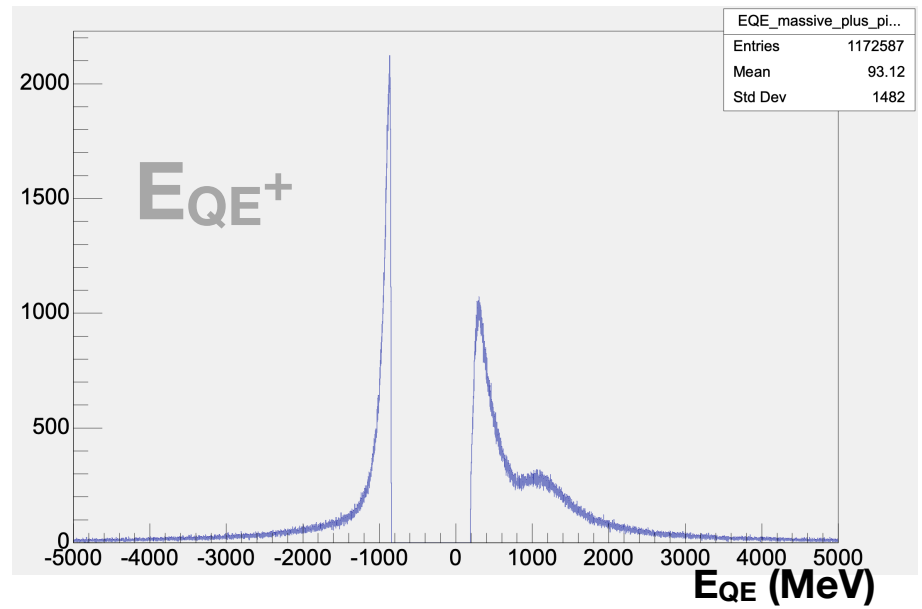
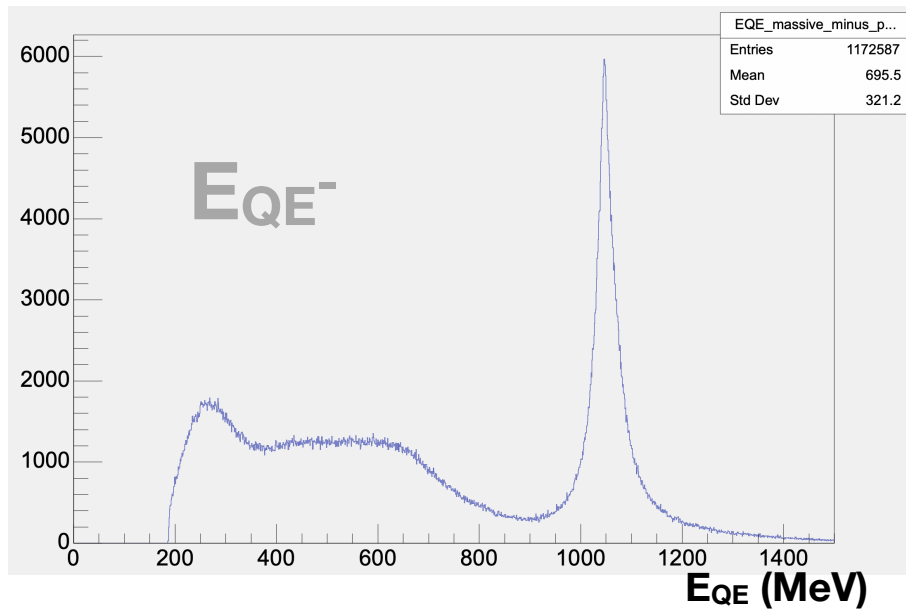
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E_{QE} using massive incoming pion

$$4E_0^2 (A^2 - P_\pi^2 \cos^2\theta) + 4AE_0(A^2 + B) + (A^2 + B)^2 + 4m_\pi^2 P_\pi^2 \cos^2\theta = 0$$



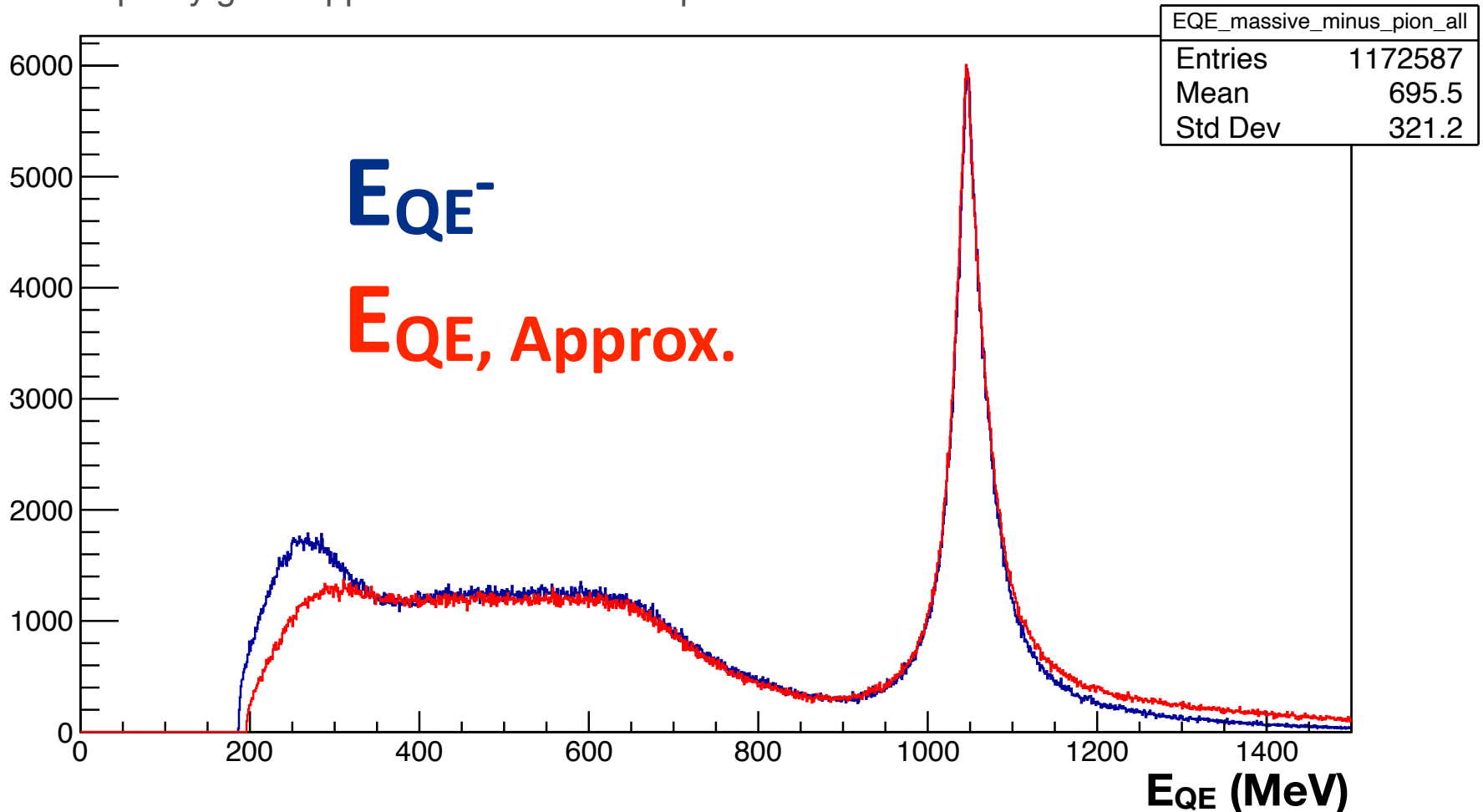
Two solutions for E_0 , E_{QE}^+ and E_{QE}^-



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Comparison between E_{QE^-} and the approximated formula

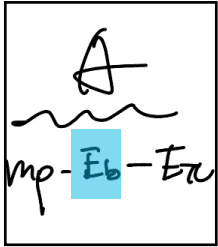
- It is a pretty good approximation near the peak!



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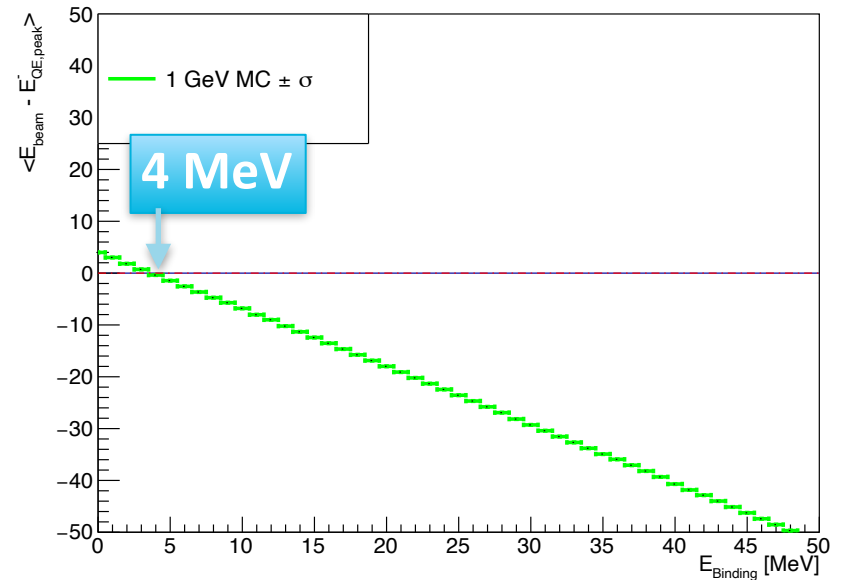
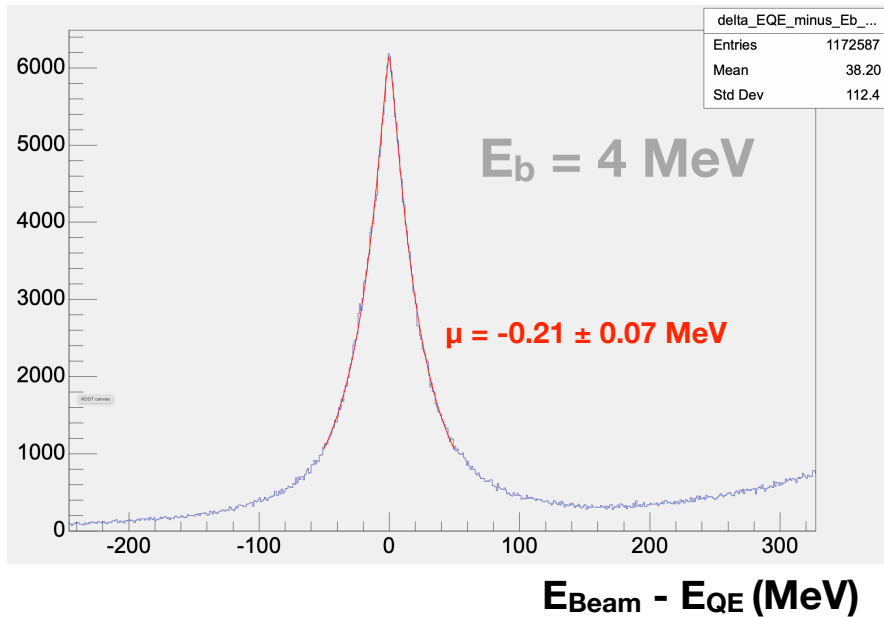
What is binding energy values used by the GEANT4?

- Scanned E_{binding} in 0 - 50 MeV region to see which value gives $E_{\text{QE}^-} - E_{\text{Beam}} = 0$ at the peak



- Fitting function

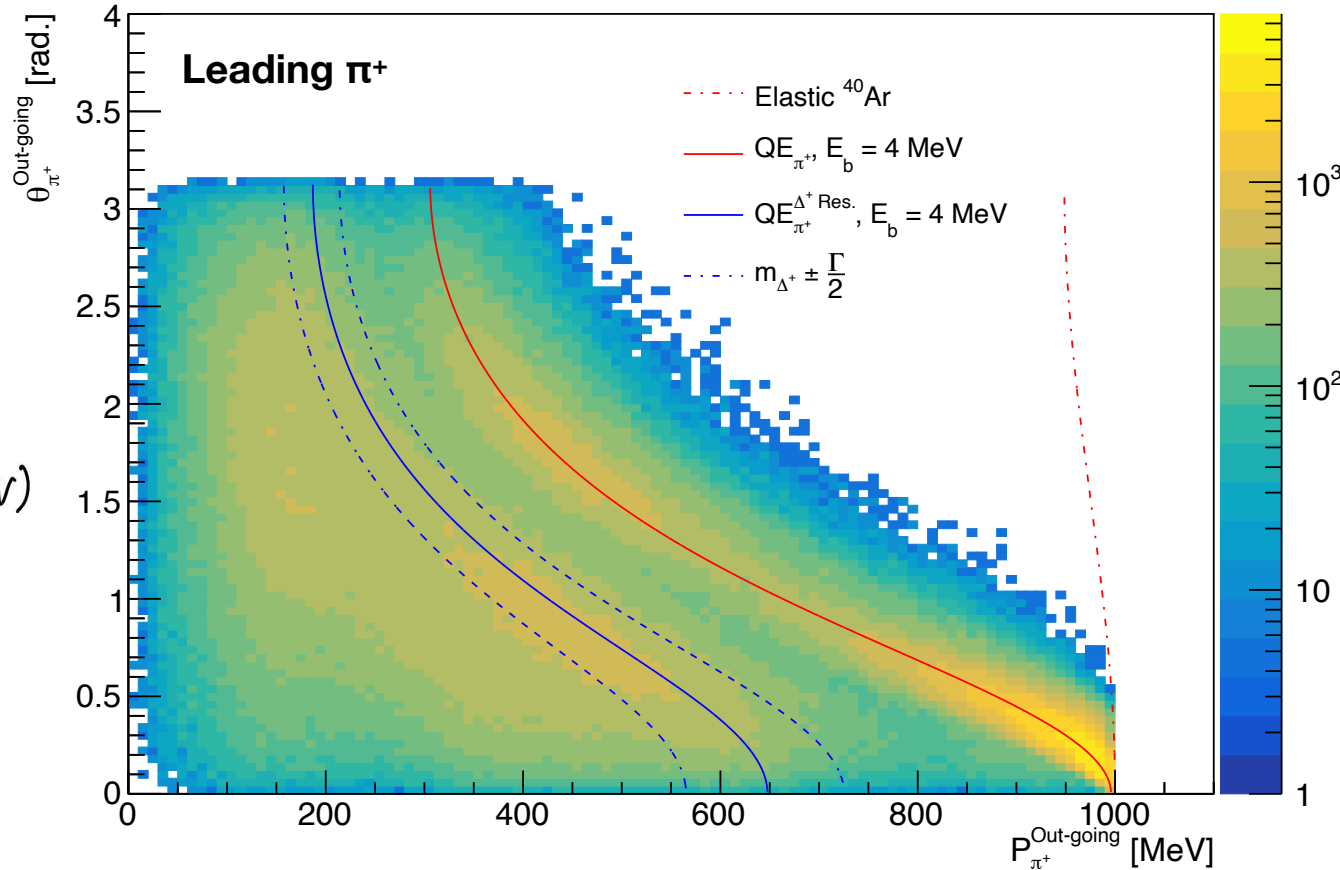
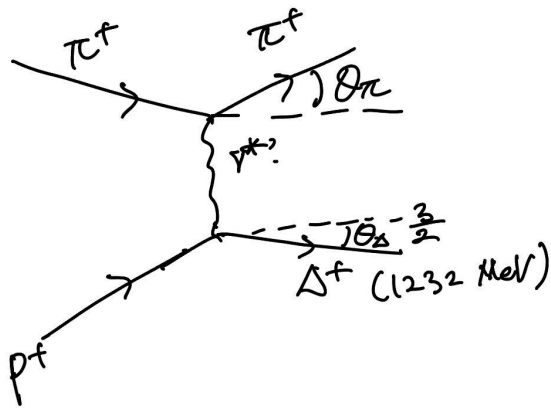
$$f(x) = \frac{a}{1 + (|x - \mu|/\delta)^2} + bx + c$$



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2D figure : outgoing π^+ momentum vs outgoing π^+ angle

- It seems that Δ^+ resonance QE is also simulated
- There are many interesting structures that can be studied



Used Samples for ProtoDUNE-SP Study

MC

- PDSPProd4a_MC_1GeV_reco1_sce_datadriven_v1_ntuple_v09_41_00_03.root

Data

- PDSPProd4_data_1GeV_reco2_ntuple_v09_41_00_04.root

Input beam root file

- G4beamlineVersion3.06

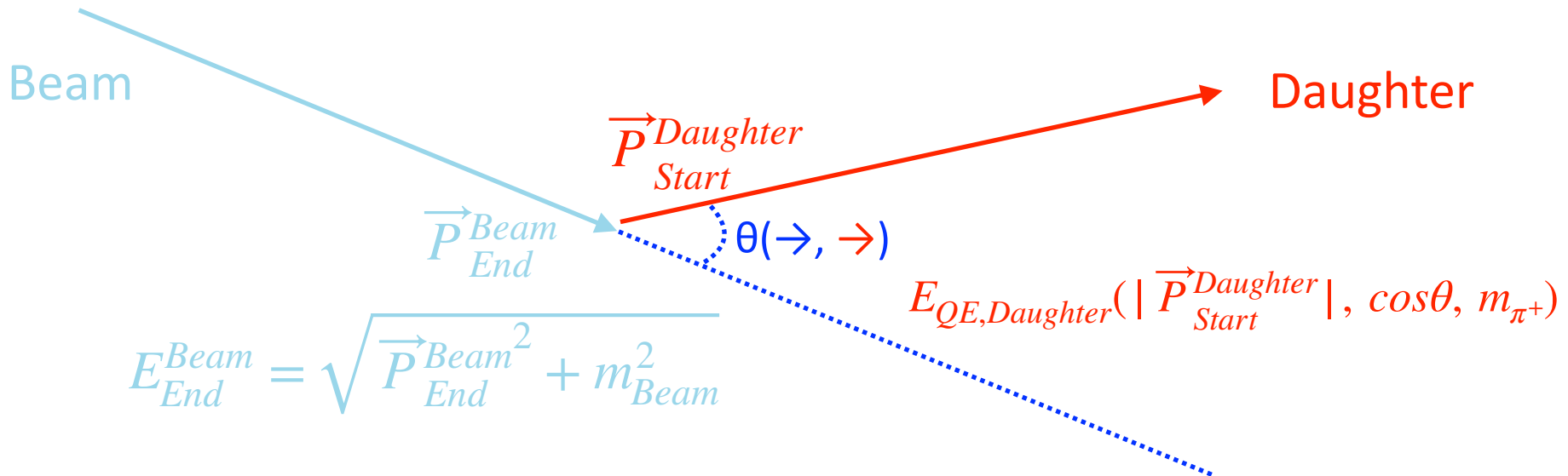
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Using ProtoDUNE MC samples

- Truth level information of 1 GeV/c beam MC sample

Event Selection

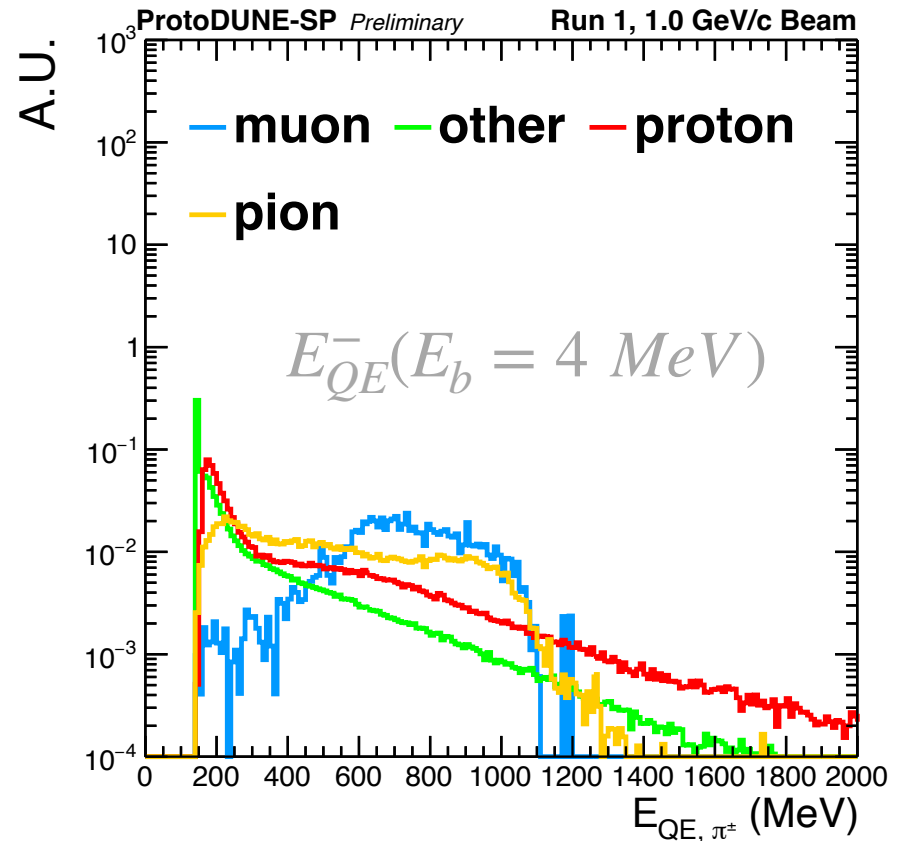
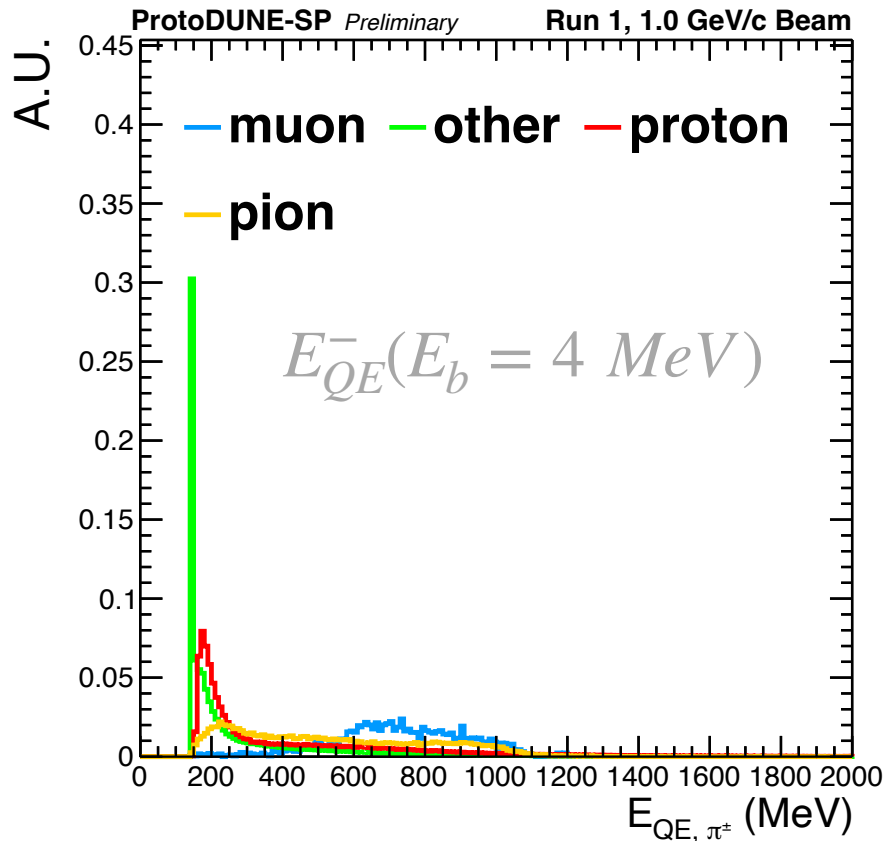
- Daughters not coming from broken beam track
 - True beam ID \neq True daughter



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Using ProtoDUNE MC samples at generator level

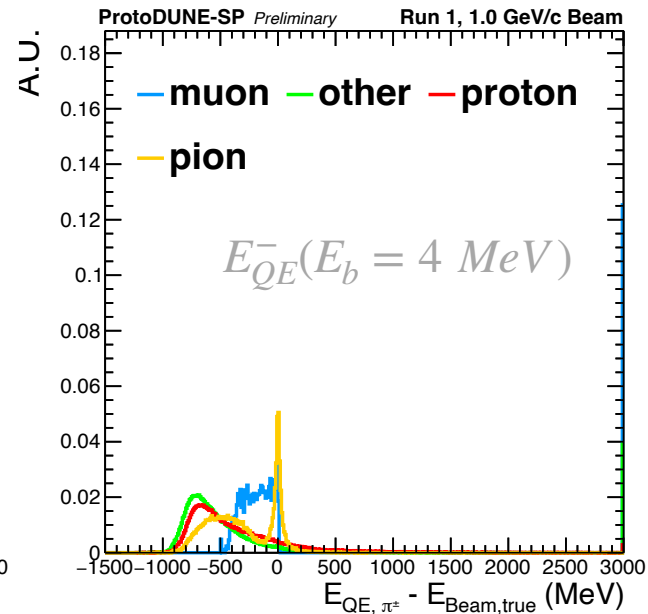
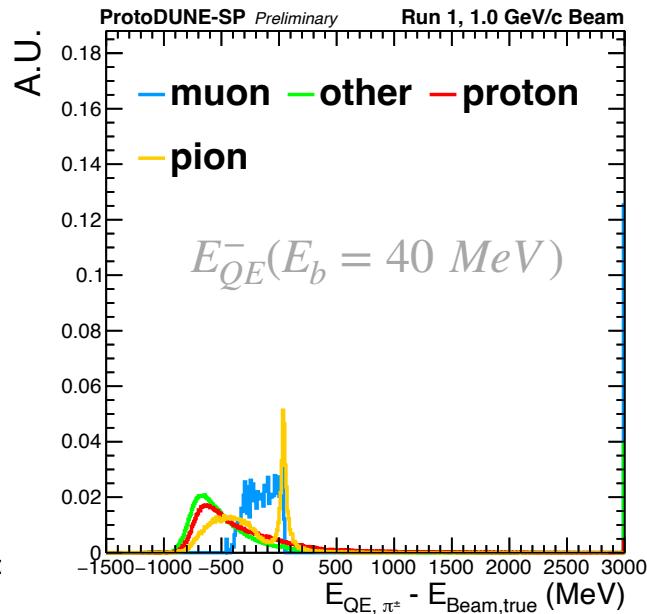
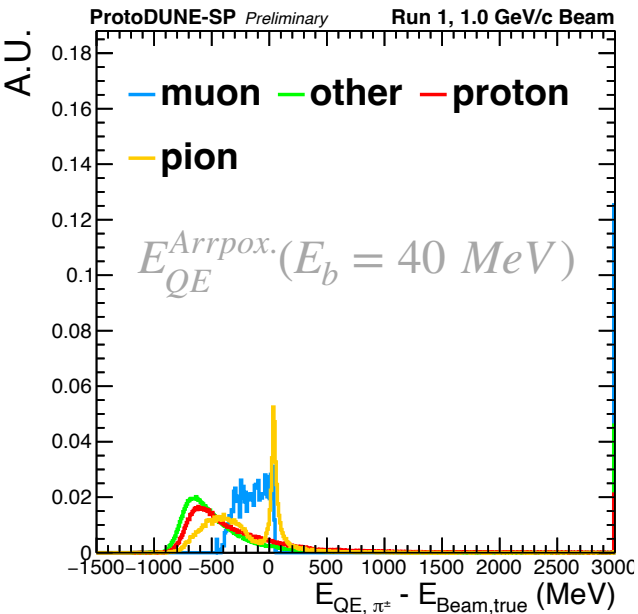
- Used the exact formula : massive pion with neutral current QE proton knocking out (E_{QE^-})
- $E_{\text{binding}} = 4 \text{ MeV}$



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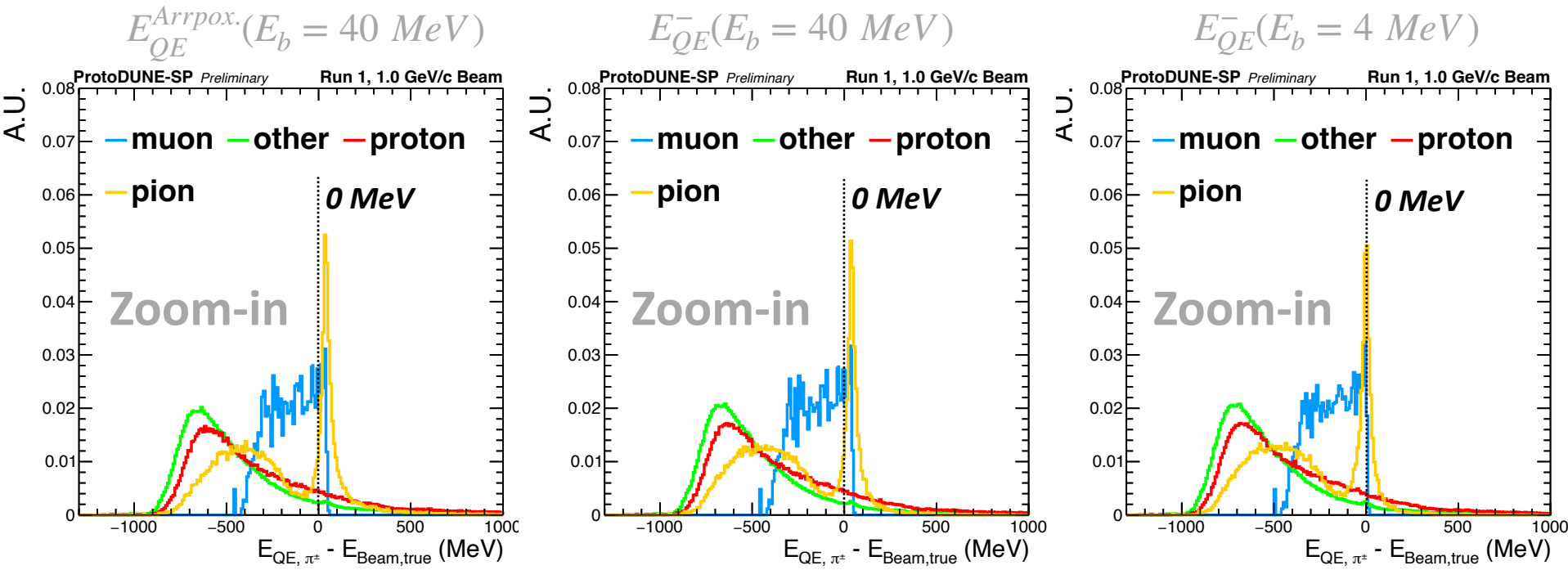
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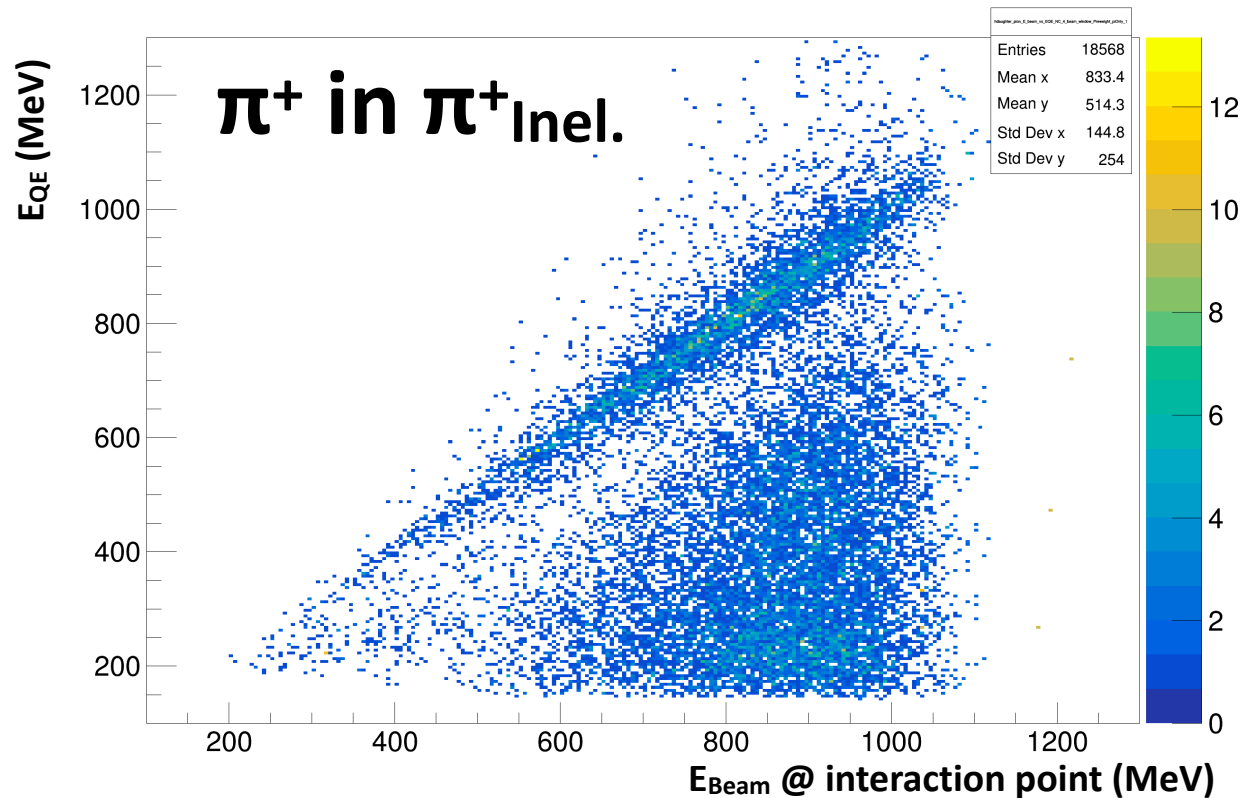
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- $E_b = 4$ MeV gives the peak near 0 MeV



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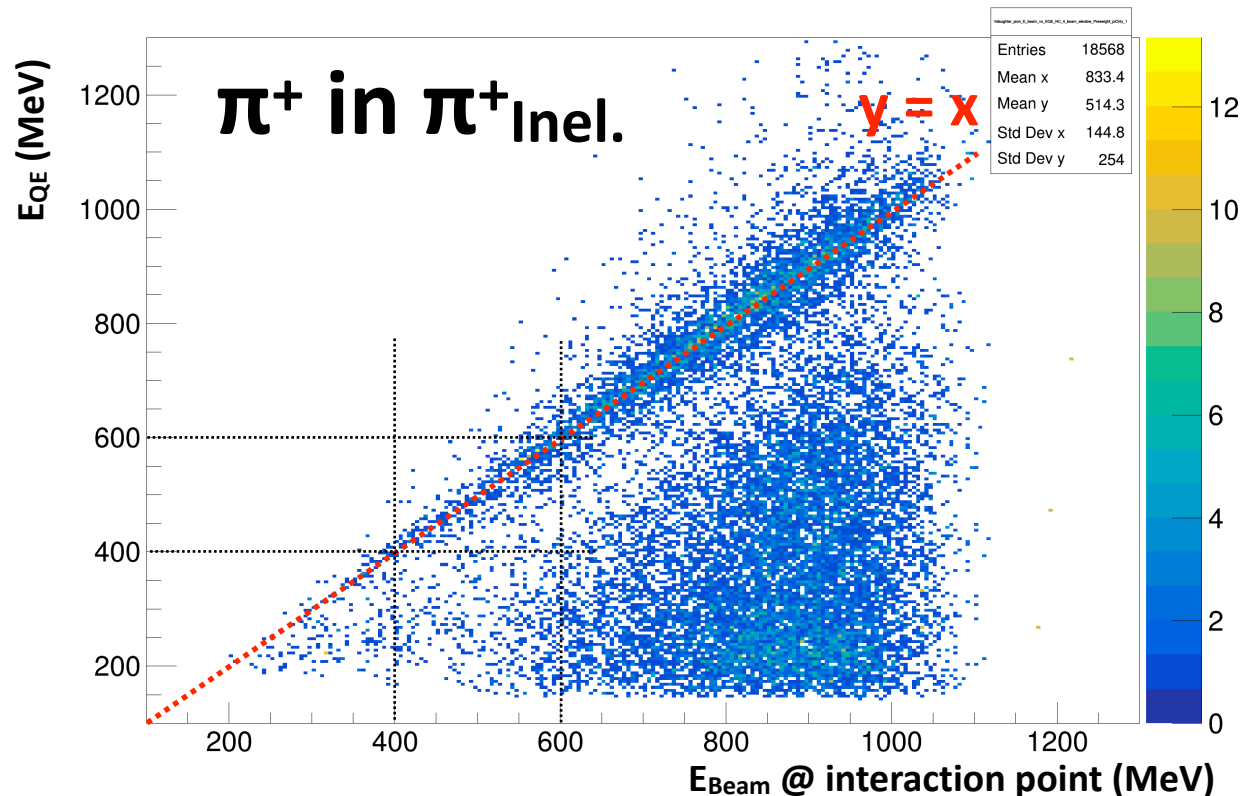
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Using ProtoDUNE MC samples

- Using reconstructed information

Beam

- Using momentum measured by spectrometer
 - 10 MeV flat energy loss is assumed
- Kinetic energy of the beam at interaction point
 - CSDA using pion⁺ mass

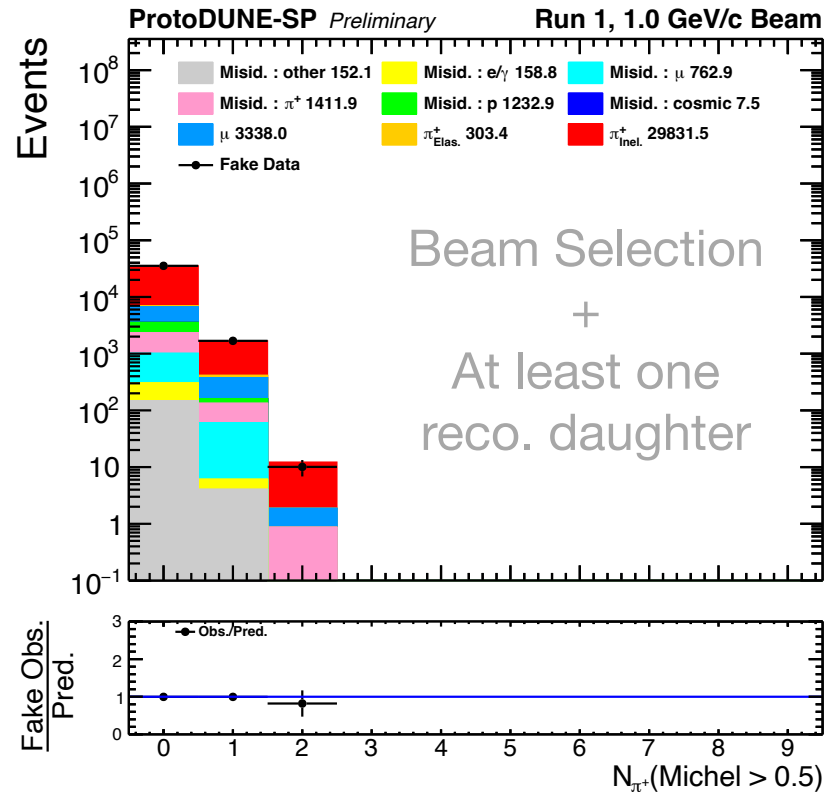
Pion selection

- Basic selection
 - $N_{\text{Hits}} > 20$, track score > 0.5 , and $\chi^2_{\text{proton}} > 60$,
 $\cos\theta_{\text{Beam, Daughter}} < 0.95$, distance_{Beam, Daughter} < 10 cm
- Michel score > 0.5
- Energy of pion : CSDA using reconstructed track length

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Using ProtoDUNE MC samples at detector level

- For events passed the π^+ beam selection (in back-up)
- Number of reconstructed pions



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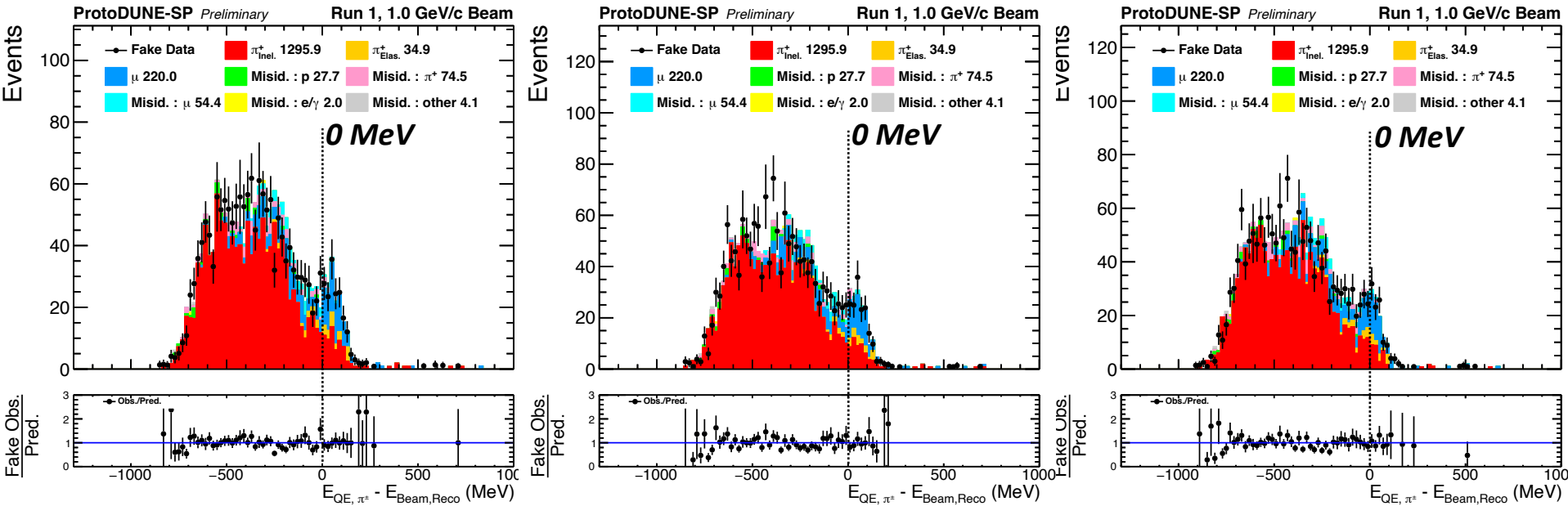
Using ProtoDUNE MC samples at detector level

- At least one reconstructed π^+ passing Michel score > 0.5 cut
- Small QE peaks are observed
- But, many muon beam events at the QE peak position

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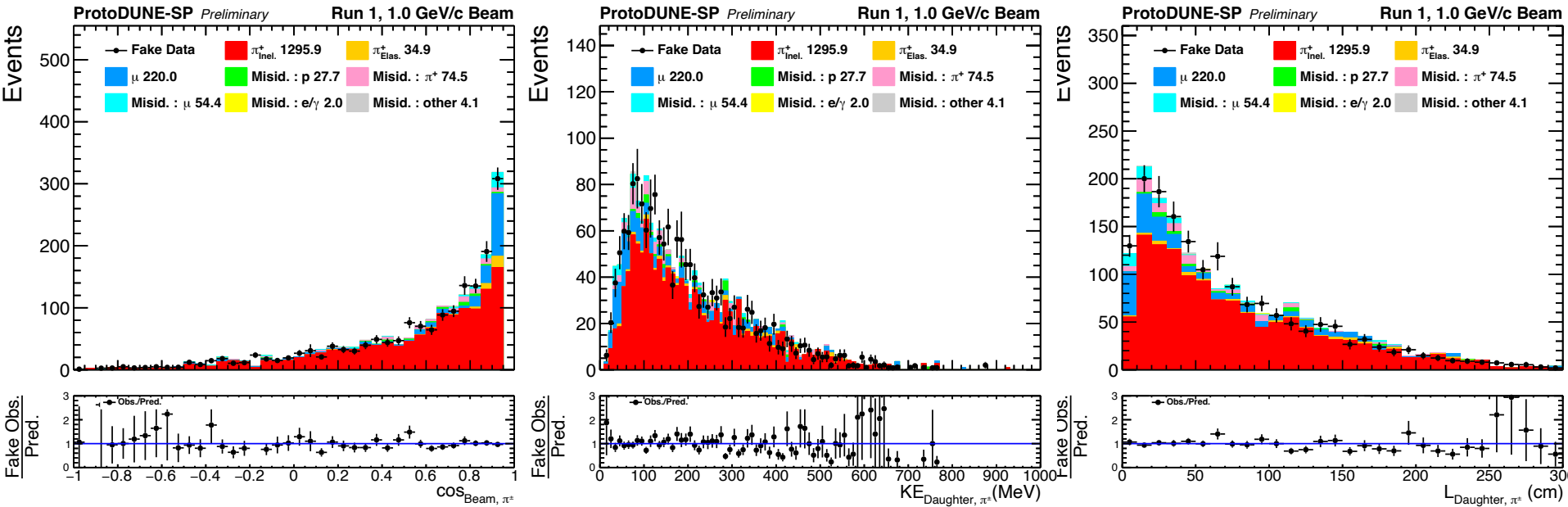
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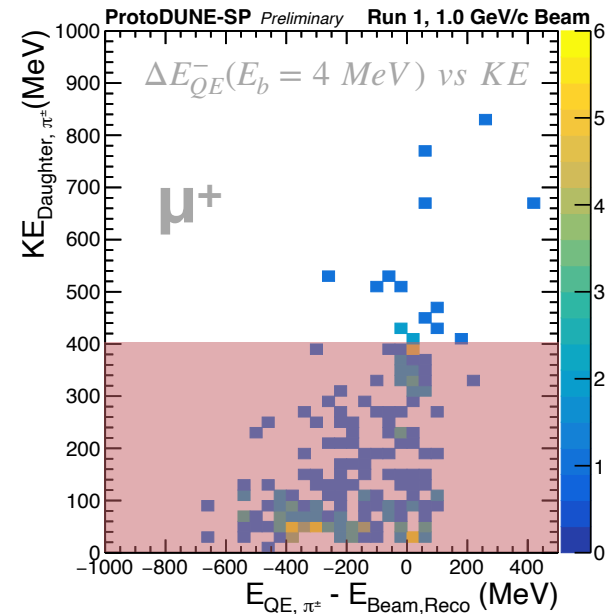
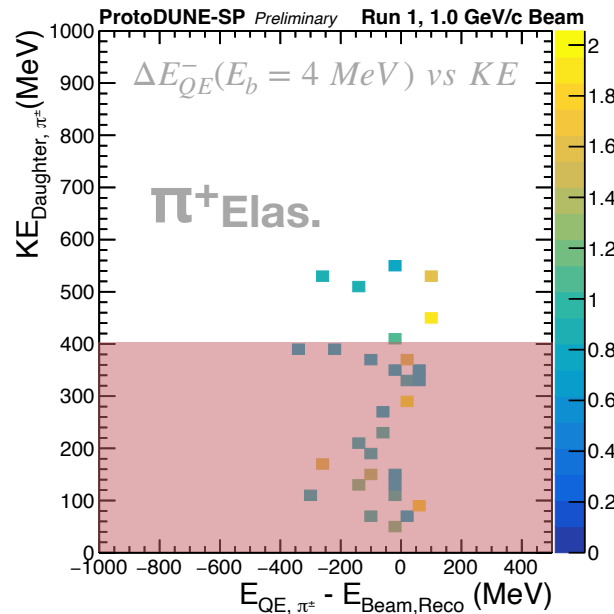
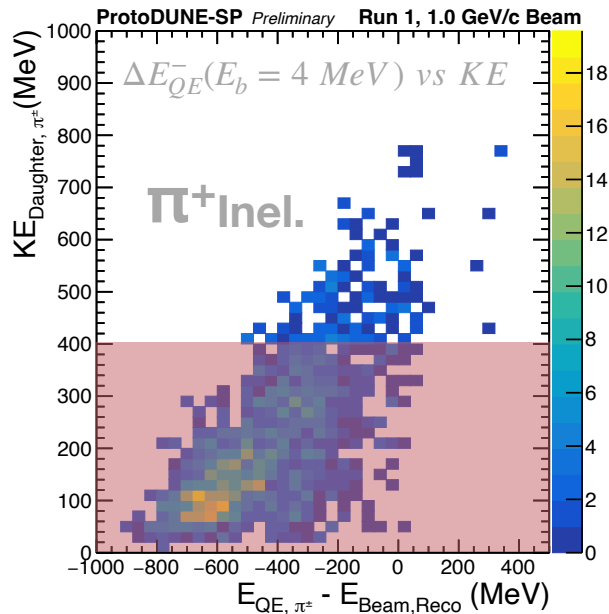
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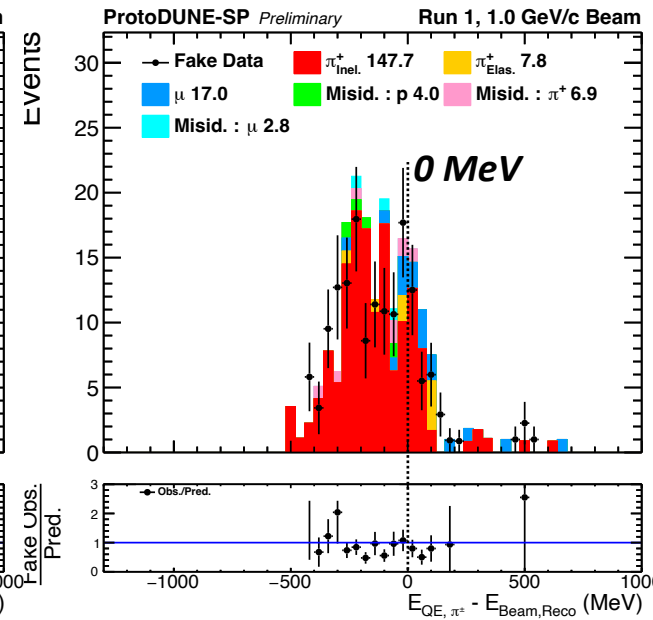
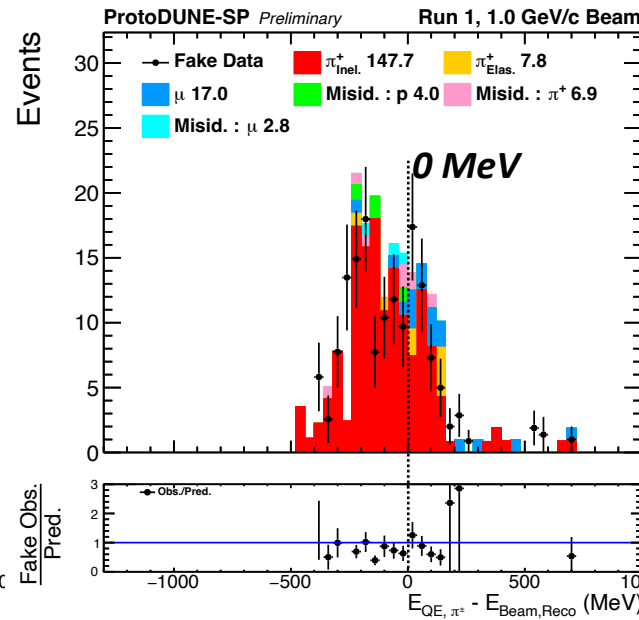
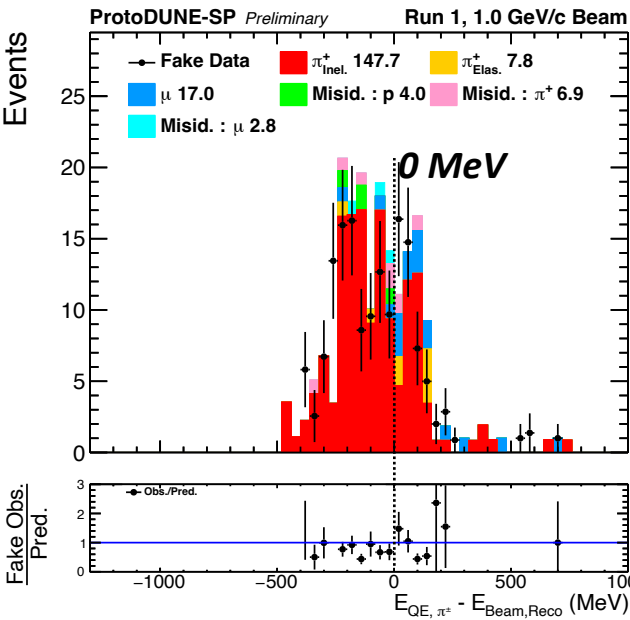
Using ProtoDUNE MC samples at detector level

- Muon beam contribution is reduced much
- Still, we need to enhance signal efficiency...
 - Interacted pions using hypothetical track length fitting method?

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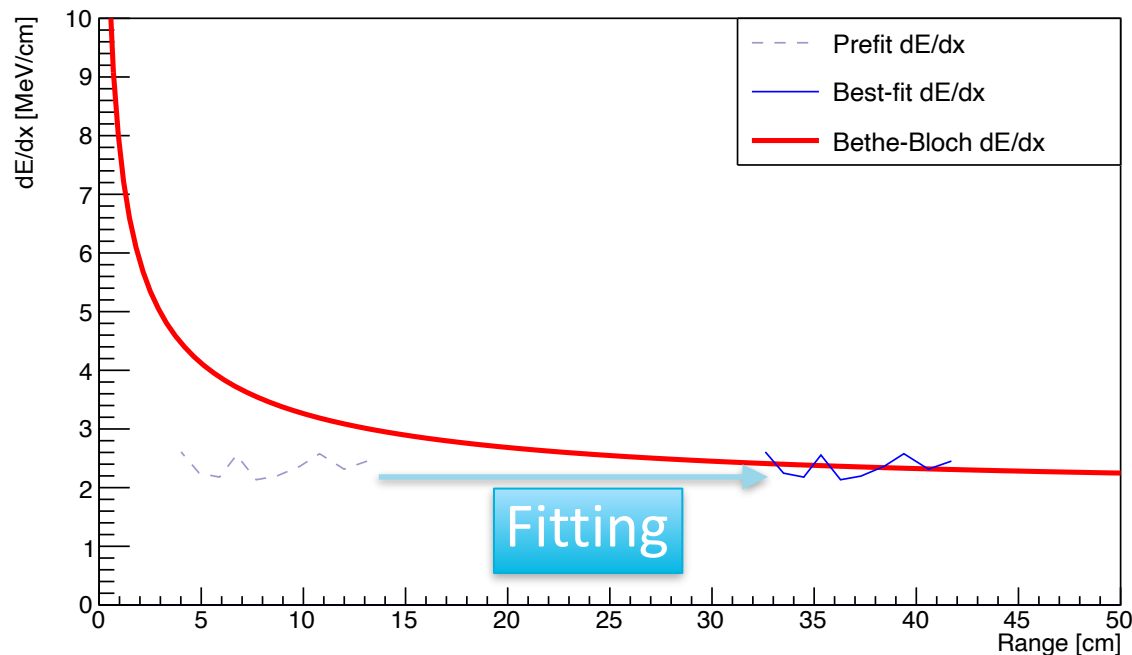
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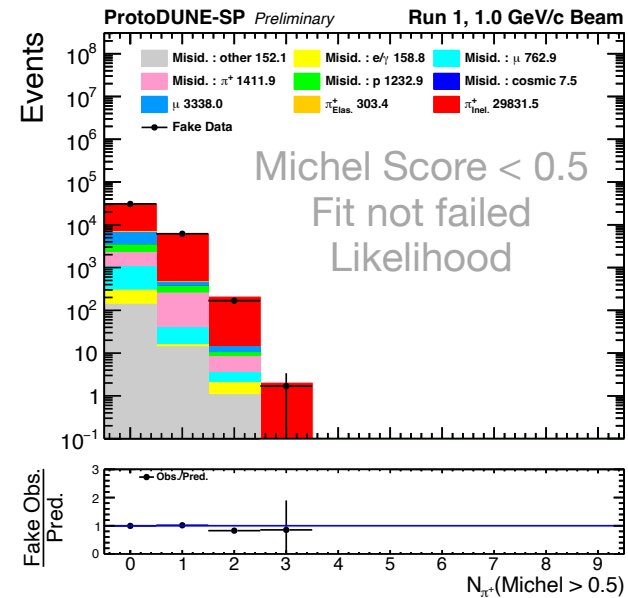
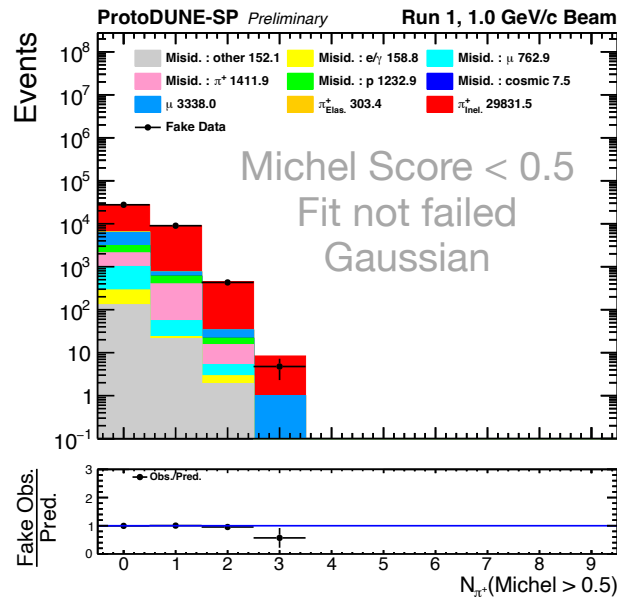
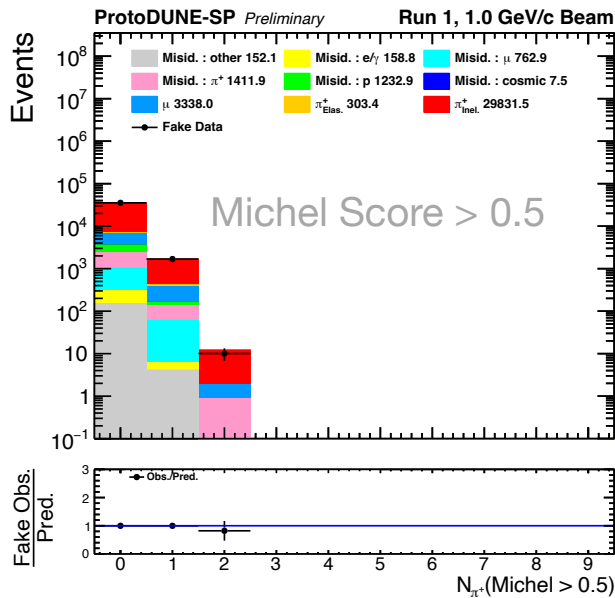
- Perform the hypothetical track length fitting
- Measure energy of interacted charged pion using dE/dx and residual range vectors
- Minimum χ^2 using Gaussian approximation
- Maximum likelihood using Vavilov PDF for dE/dx



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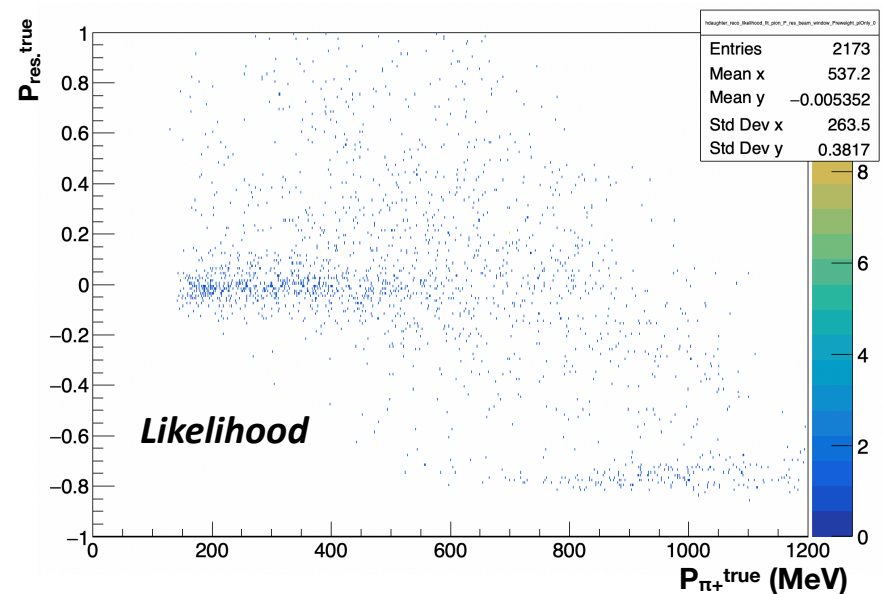
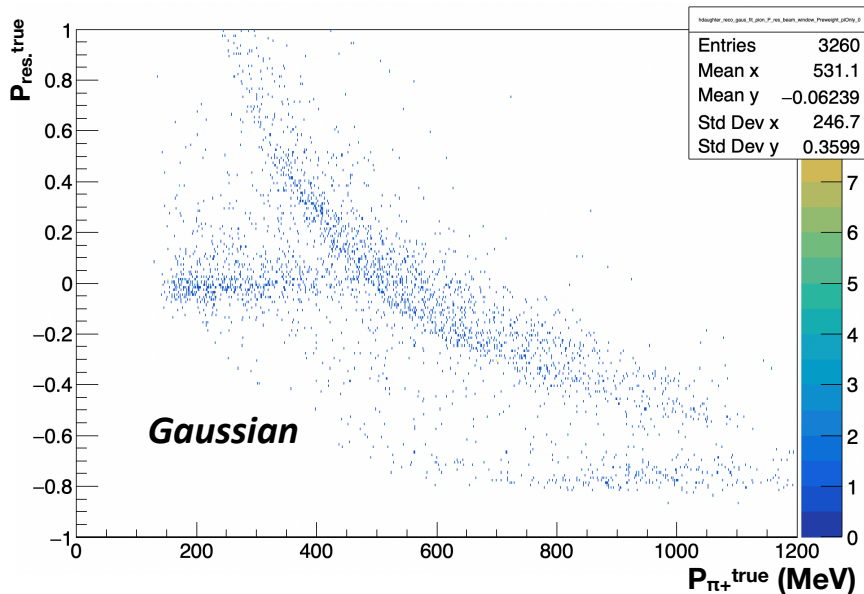
For pions not passing the Michel score cut

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- More statistics with lower muon background contribution
- Poorer energy resolution compared to pions passed the Michel score cut



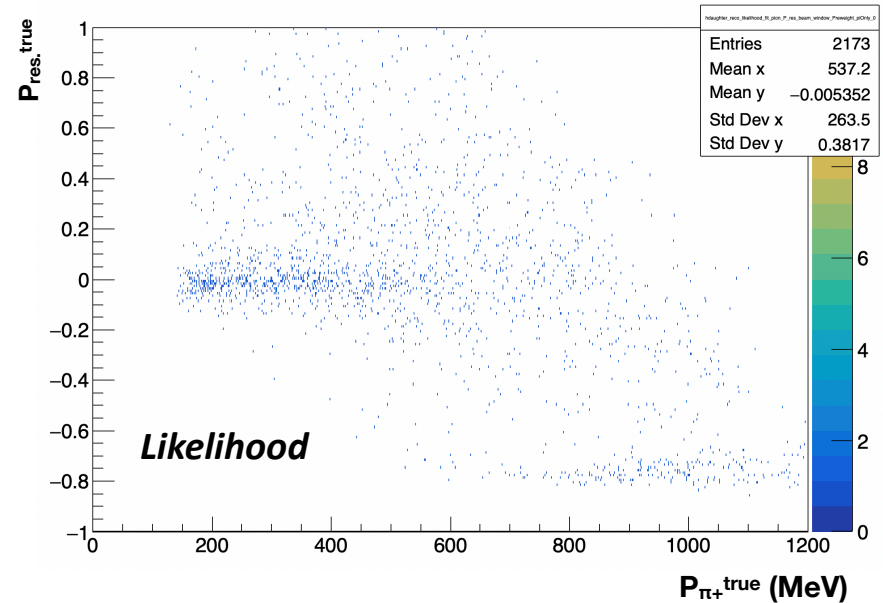
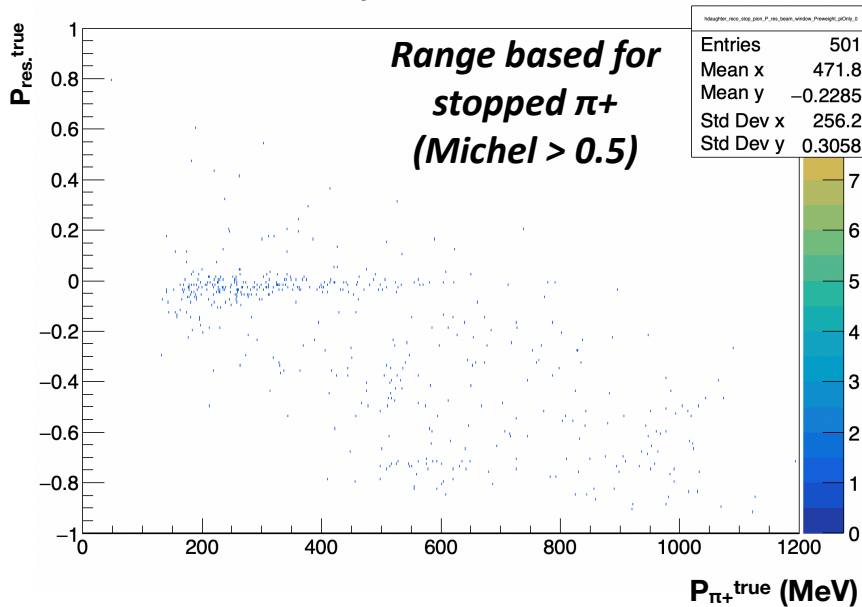
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 - Gaussian approximated least χ^2 fitting
 - Best likelihood method using
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- Performance comparison : 1 cm step in [0, 450] cm additional track length range



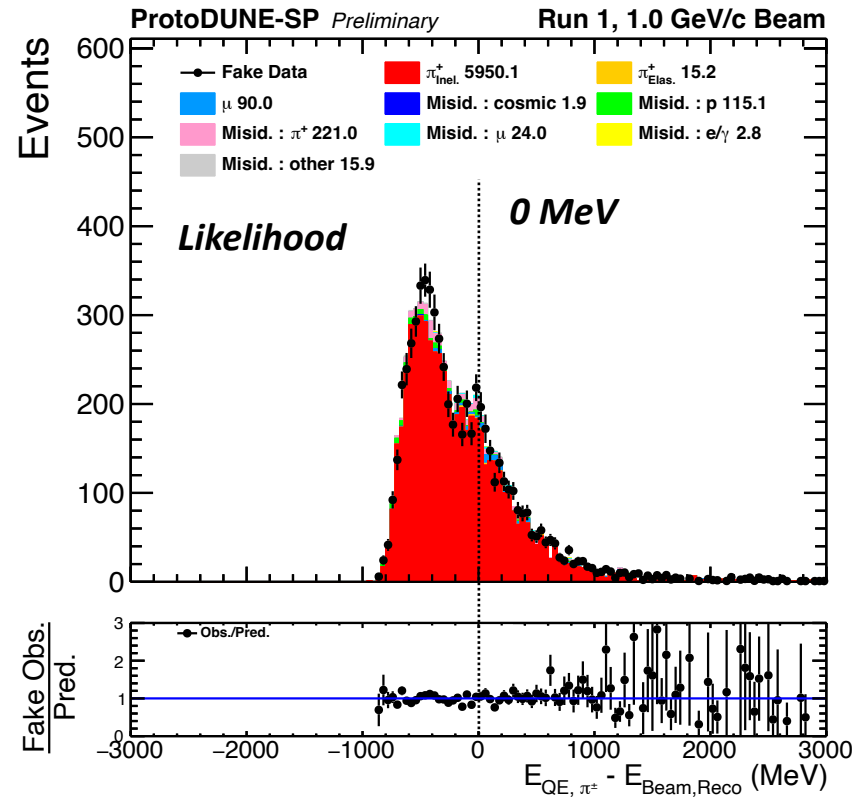
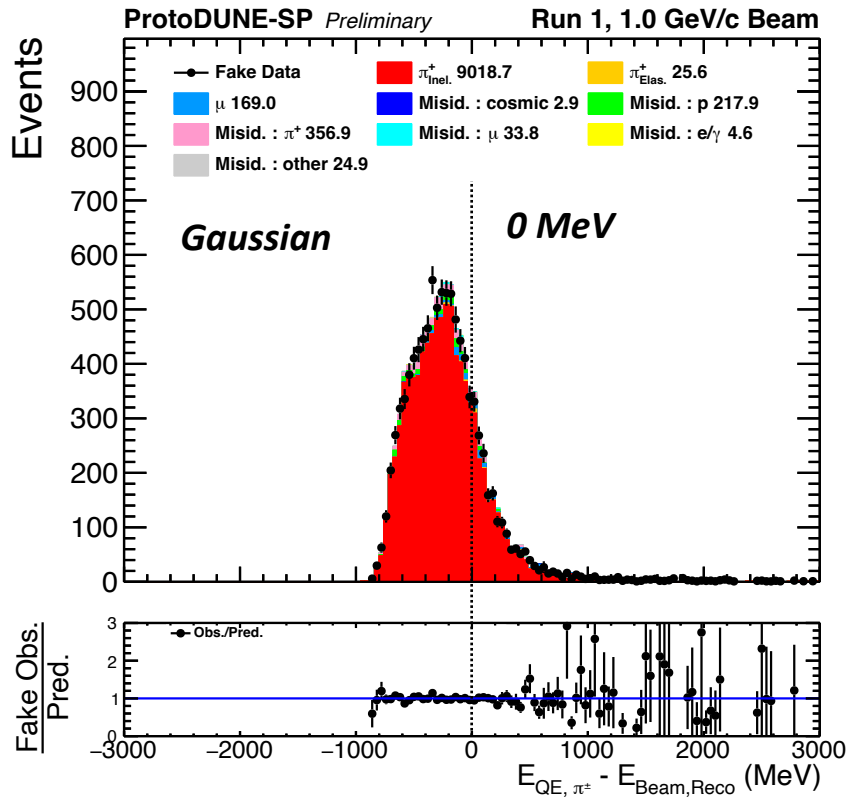
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- ΔQE distributions
 - As expected, the likelihood method shows better performance for reconstruction of ΔQE
 - A peak at zero is observed

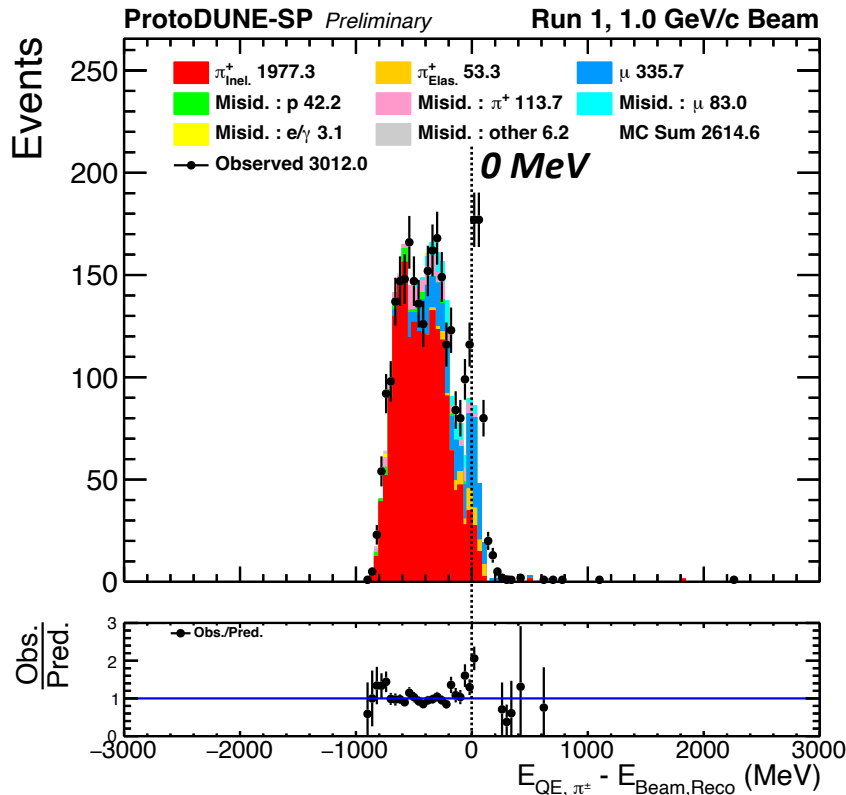


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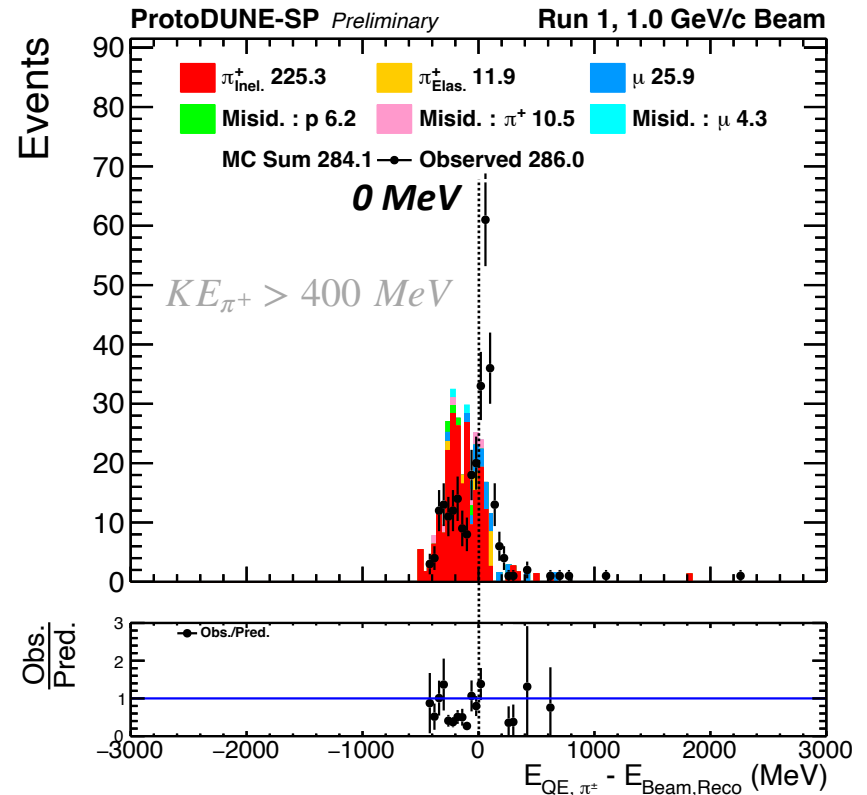
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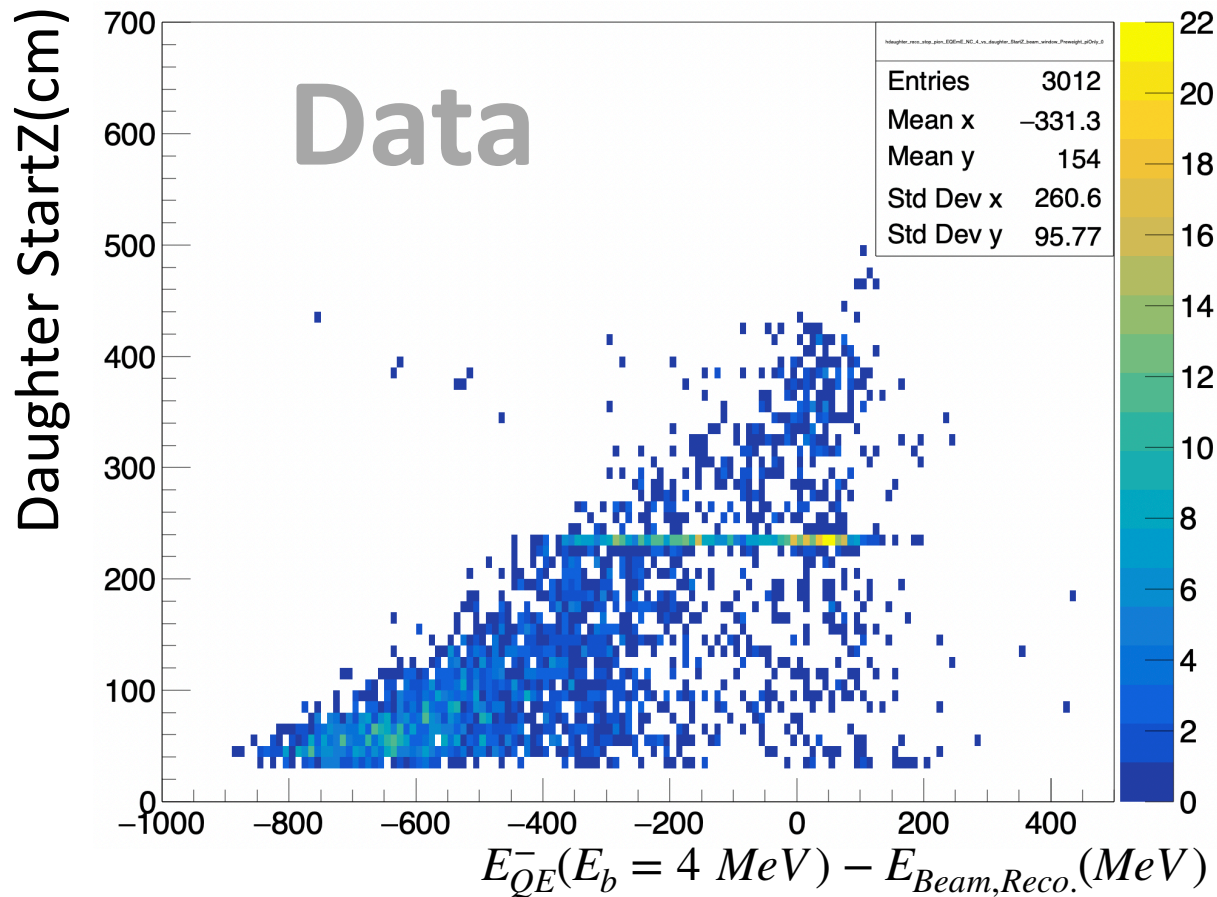
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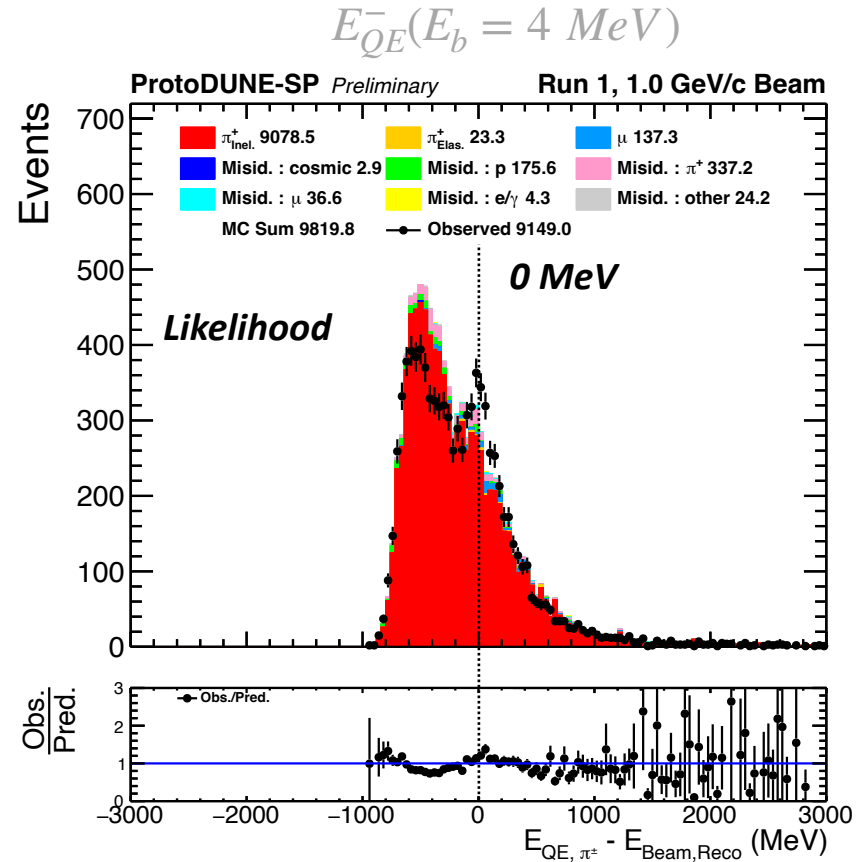
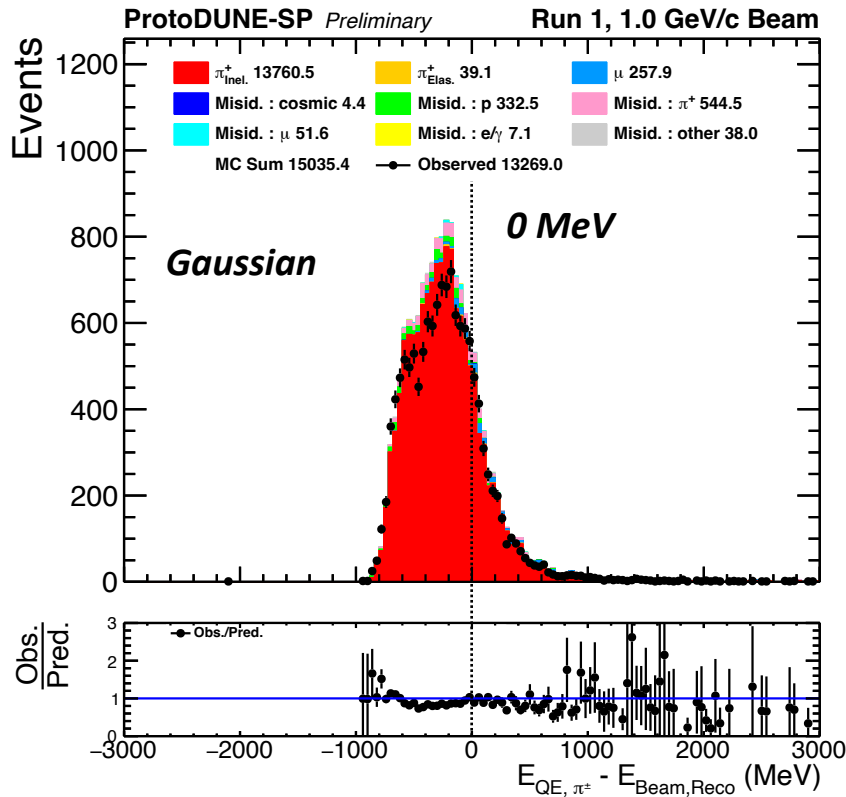


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Data vs MC distributions

- Charged pions with Michel score < 0.5, energy using hypothetical track length
- A clear peak at zero from the maximum likelihood method

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Summary

Study for π^+ -Ar quasi-elastic scattering using the GEANT4 sample

- It is possible to select quasi-elastic event using only charged pion at the final state
- There is more complicated structure that can be studied

Study using ProtoDUNE-SP MC samples and data

- The QE peak is observed
 - We can select QE events only using final state charged pion and beam information
- Energy of out-going charged pion is required
 - Michel score > 0.5 cut and use range to measure energy
 - Best energy resolution, significant muon background, and low stat.
 - Utilized the hypothetical track length fitting method
 - Maximum likelihood method shows a good energy resolution
 - Clear QE peak with small muon background and more stat.
- Plan : test performance of E_{visible} (out-going charged pion and its daughters)
 - As an additional information for interacted charged pion energy measurement

Back Up

ProtoDUNE-SP : Pion Beam Study

Basic beam selection

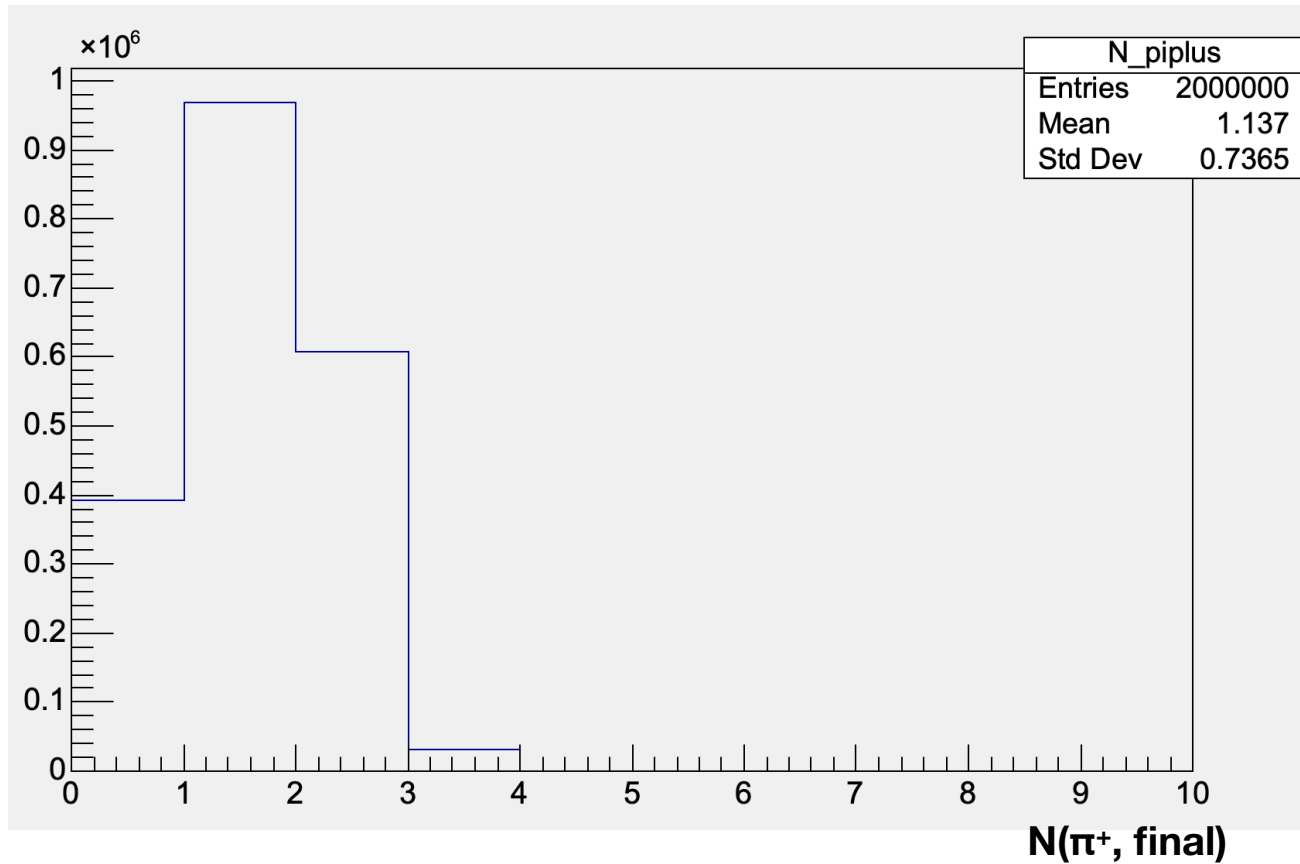
- MC : true beam PDG = 211 or ± 13
- Data
 - No cosmic trigger
 - $N(\text{reco beam particle}) = 1$
 - At least one of “beam_inst_PDG_candidates” should be 211 or ± 13

Additional beam selection

- Pandora slice cut : beam is reconstructed as track by the Pandora
- Calo size cut : at least one reconstructed hit in the collection plane
- Beam quality cut : cut on beam angle and entrance positions
 - $-3 < dz/\sigma_z < 3$, $-1 < dxy/\sigma_{xy} < 3$, $\cos\theta > 0.95$
- Daughter Michel score < 0.55
 - Hit charge weighted average of CNN Michel scores near vertex
- Pass proton veto cut
 - $\chi^2_{\text{proton}} > 80$

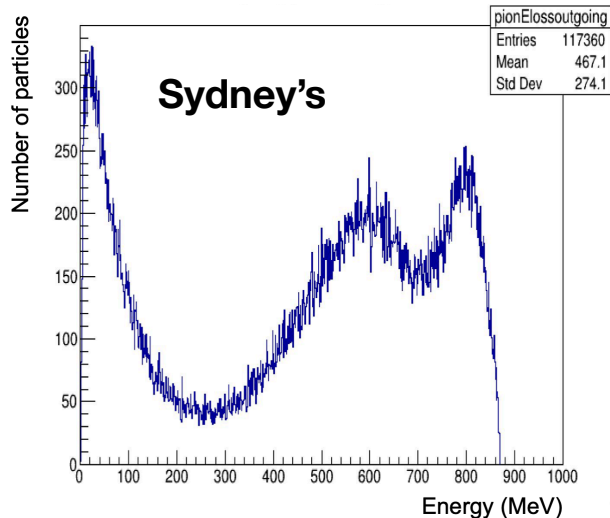
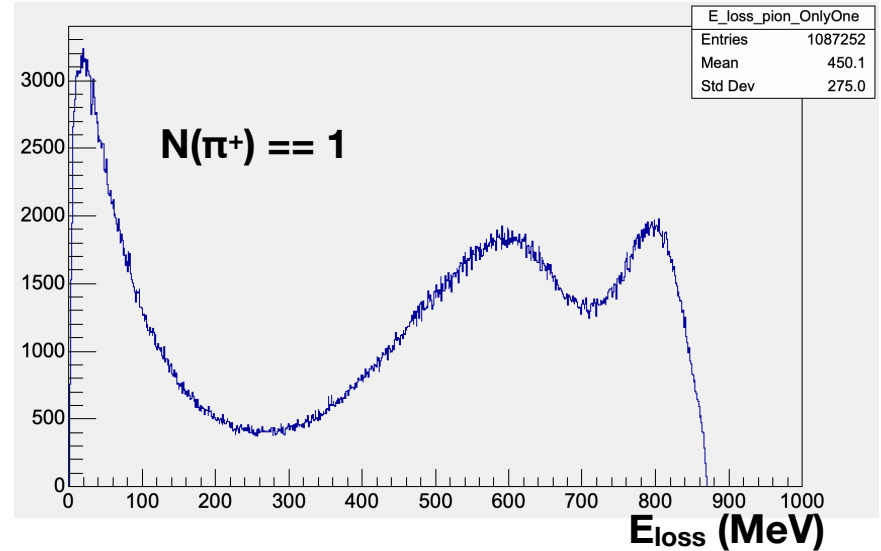
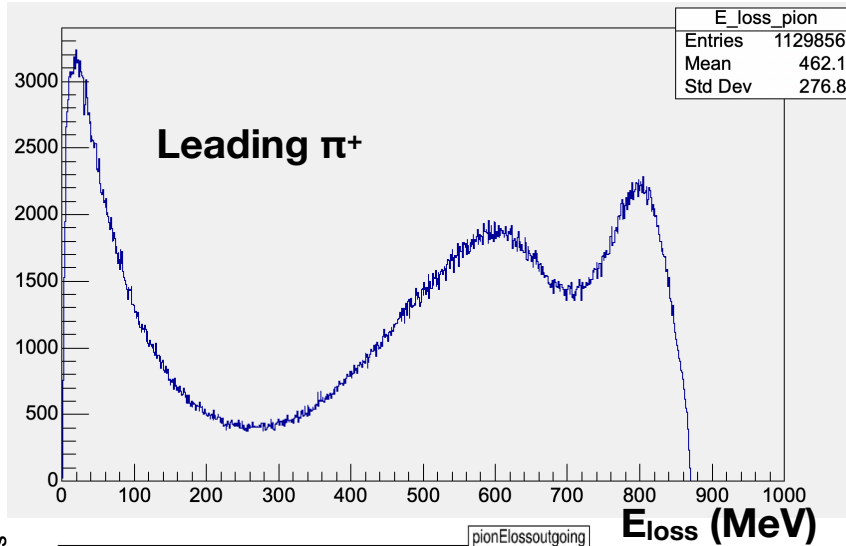
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Number of π^+ at final state



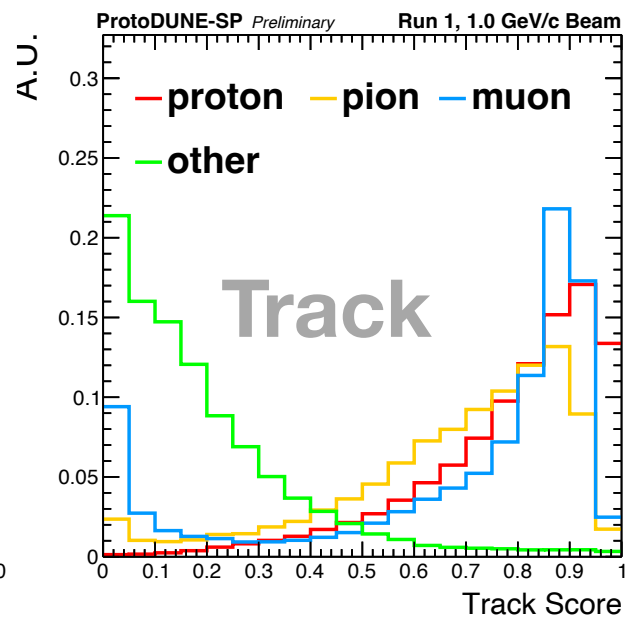
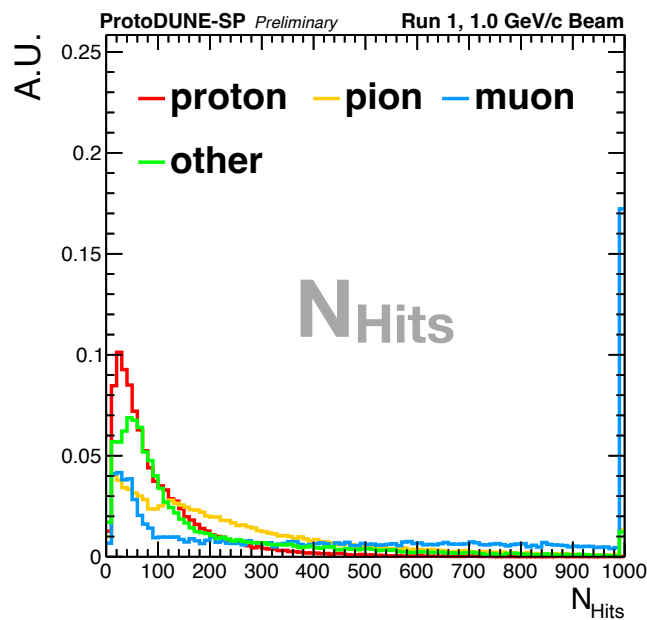
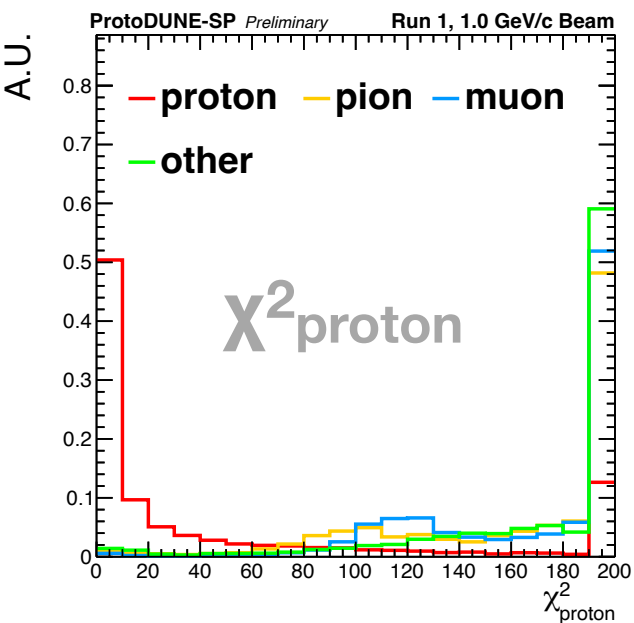
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Energy loss of π^+ : $E_{\text{incoming}} - E_{\text{outgoing}}$



Daughter Particle Identification : Variables

MC 1 GeV/c sample with pion beam selection



Proton selection

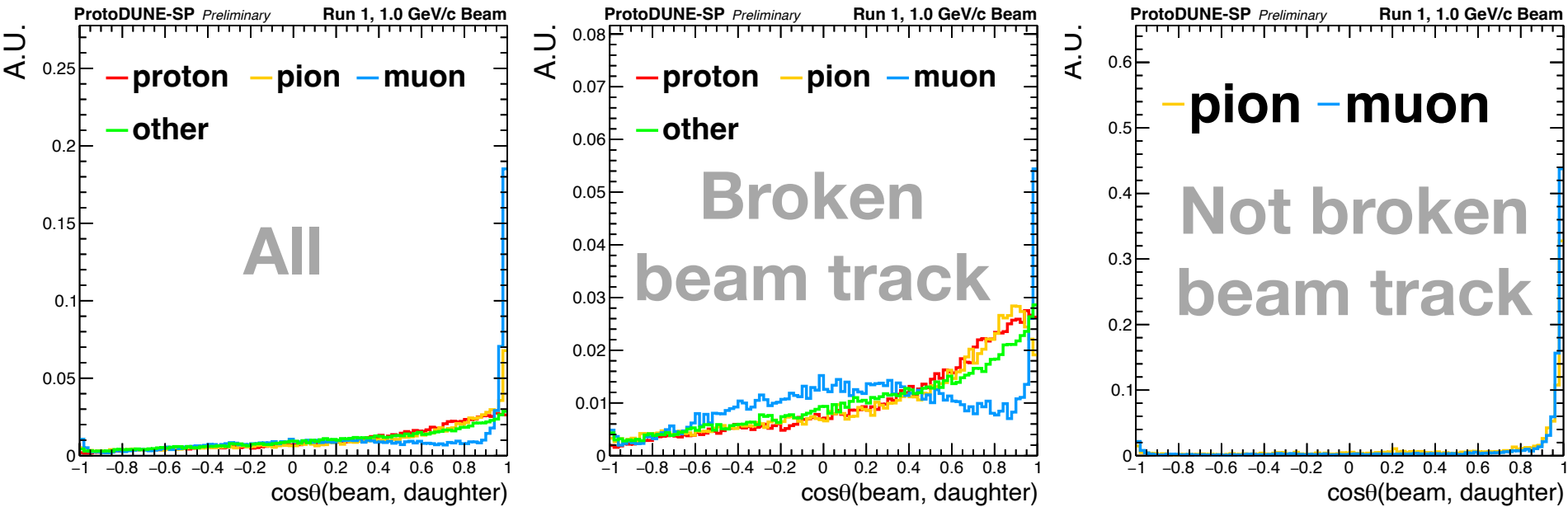
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π^+ selection

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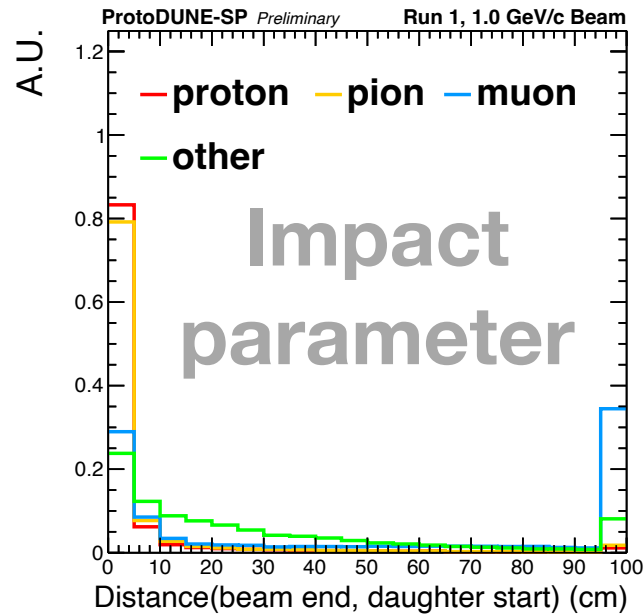
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Daughter direction : $\vec{X}_{\text{Reco, End}} - \vec{X}_{\text{Reco, Start}}$

Beam direction : reco track direction

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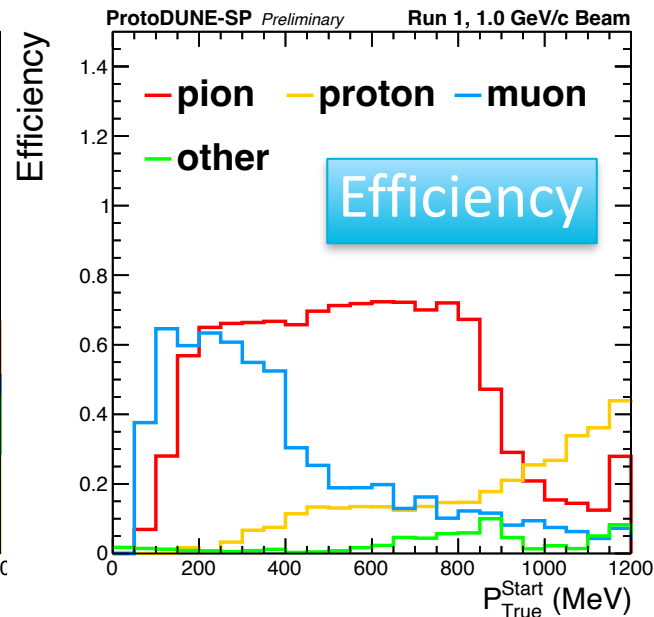
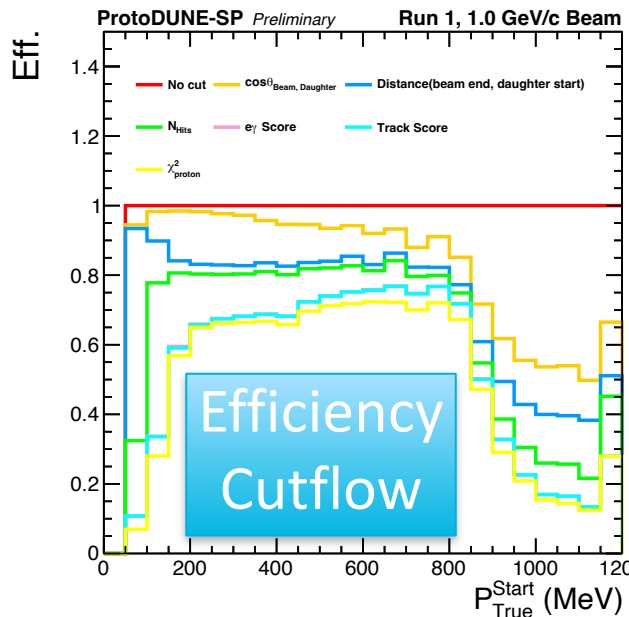
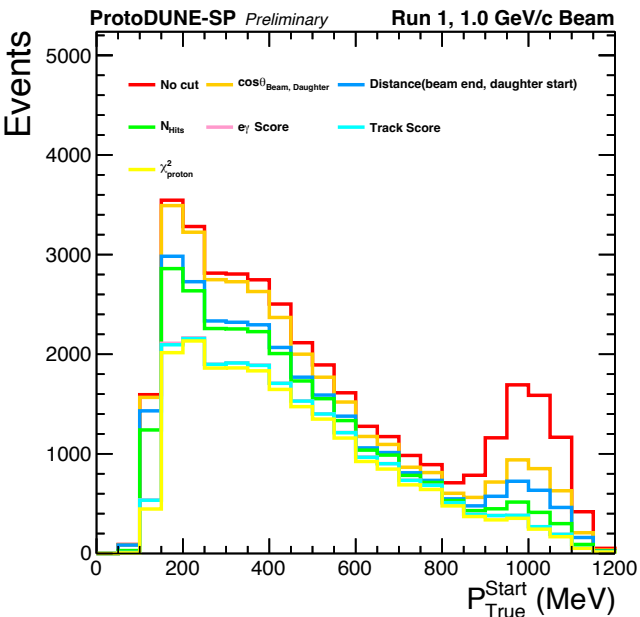
Proton selection

- Distance < 10 cm

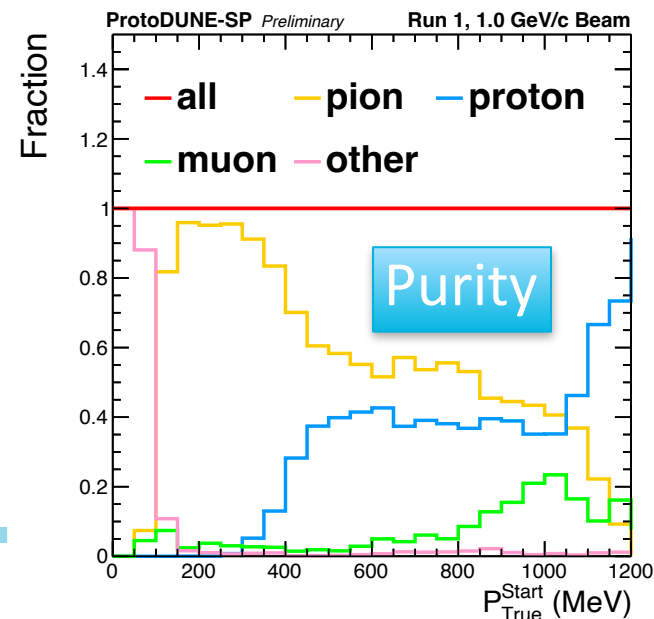
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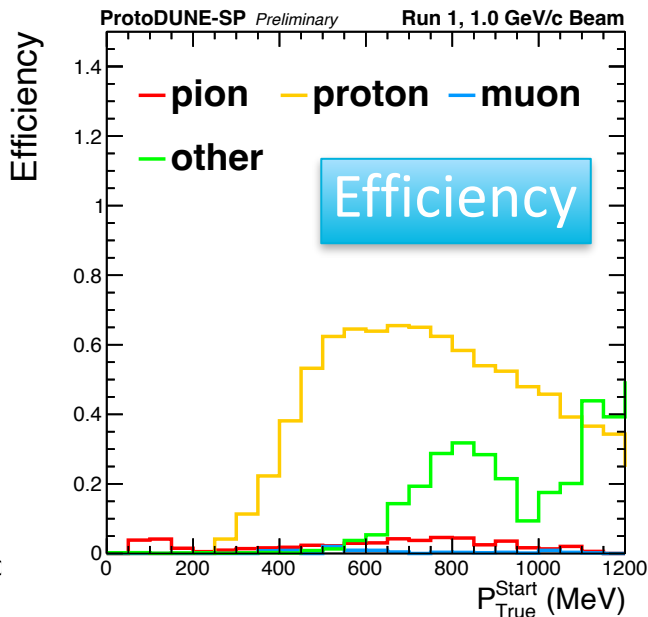
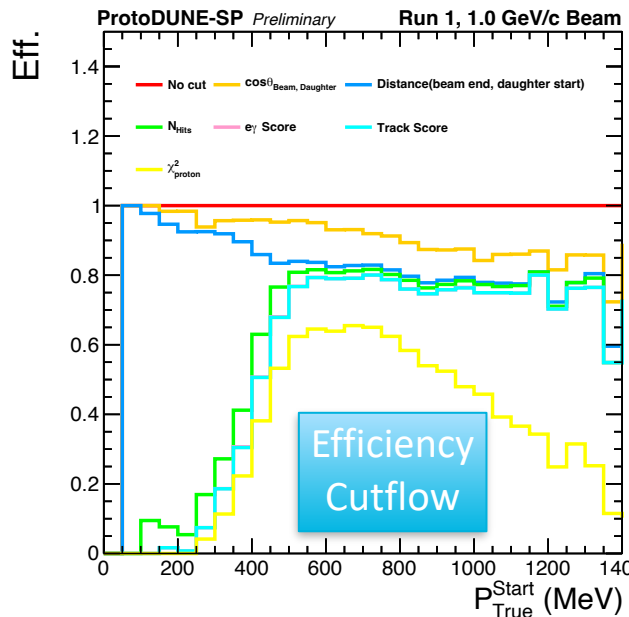
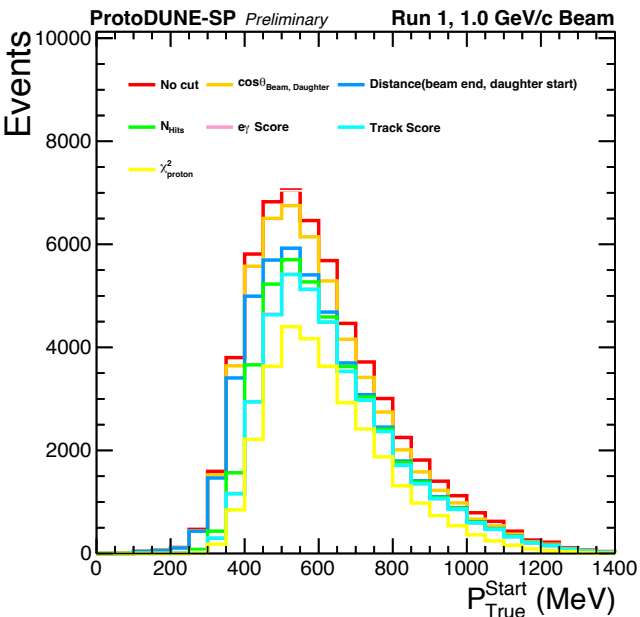
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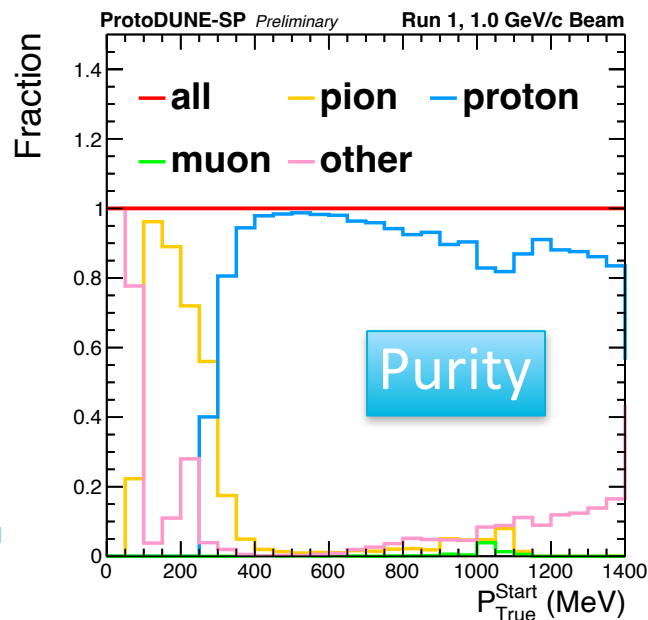
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- Large contribution from protons depending on P_{True}
 - Improvement using the hypothetical residual length fit?



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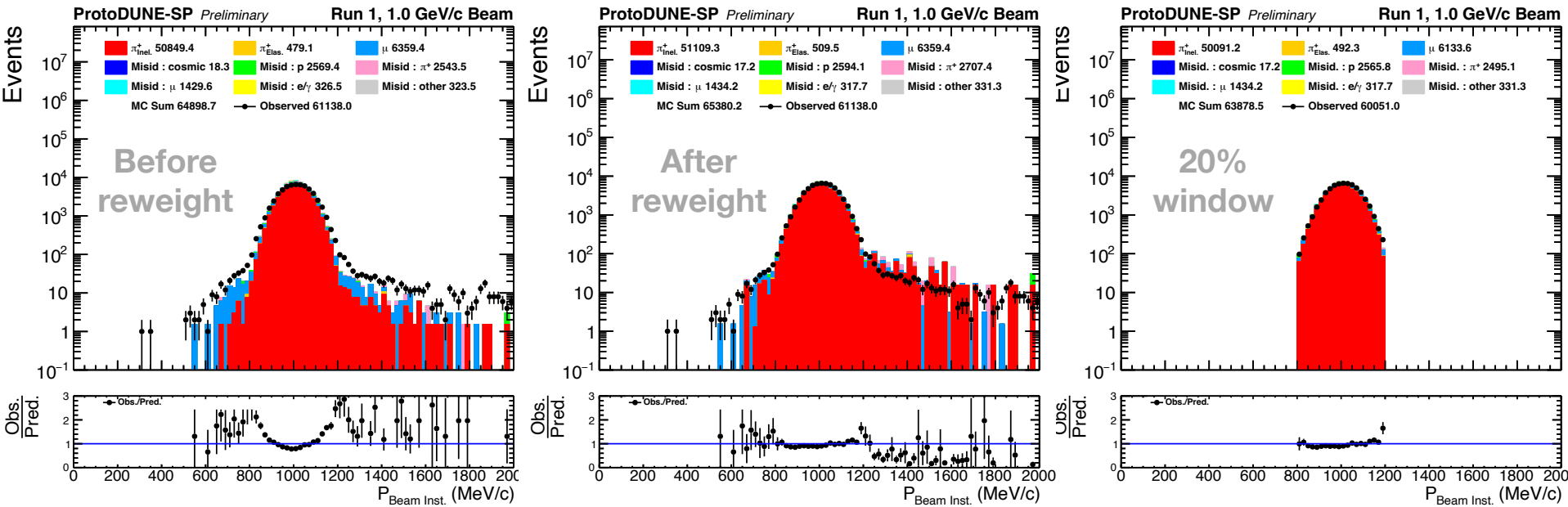
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- The χ^2_{proton} score is the strongest cut for protons
- Large contribution from protons and muons depending on P_{True}
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For data vs MC comparison

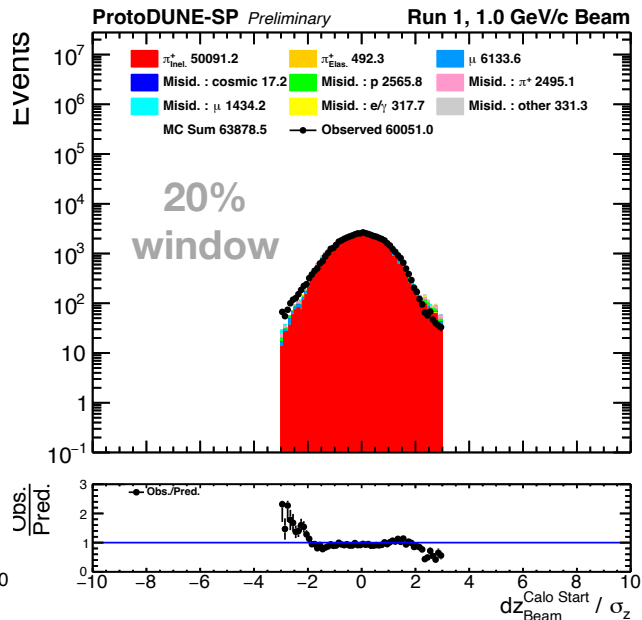
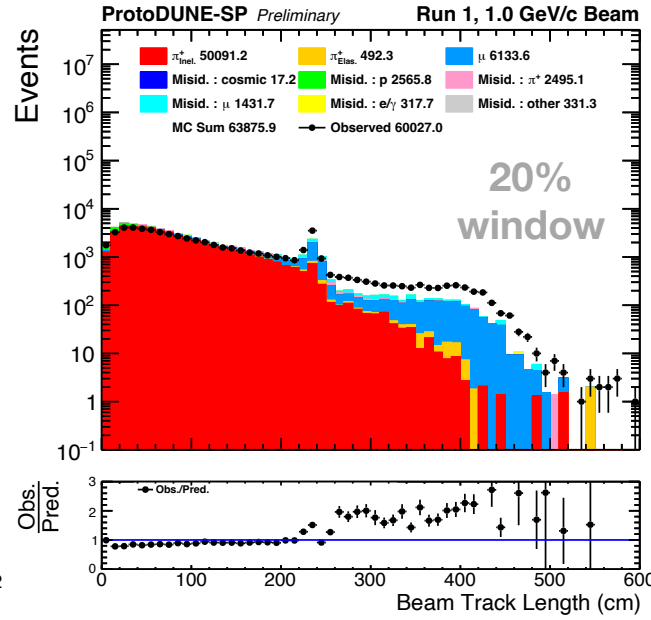
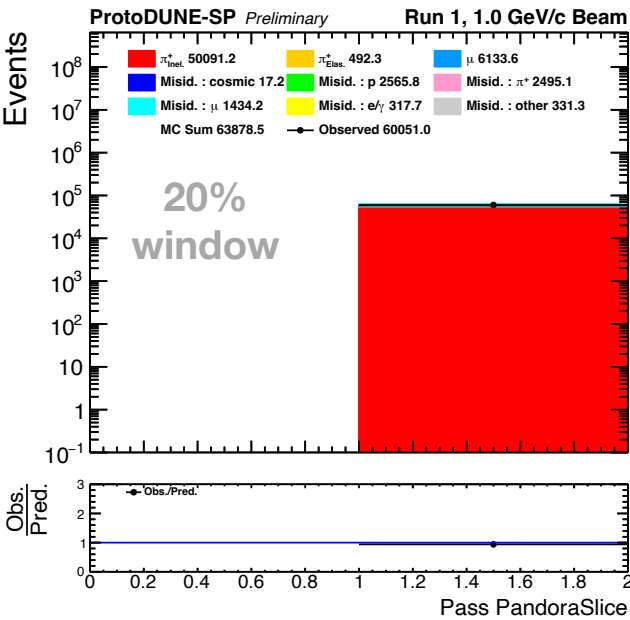
- Truth level beam momentum reweighting is applied
- Additional cut on $P_{\text{Beam Inst.}}$: 20 % window
- Pion beam : 78%
- Muon beam : 10%
- Beam track reconstructed by daughters (Misid.) : 12%



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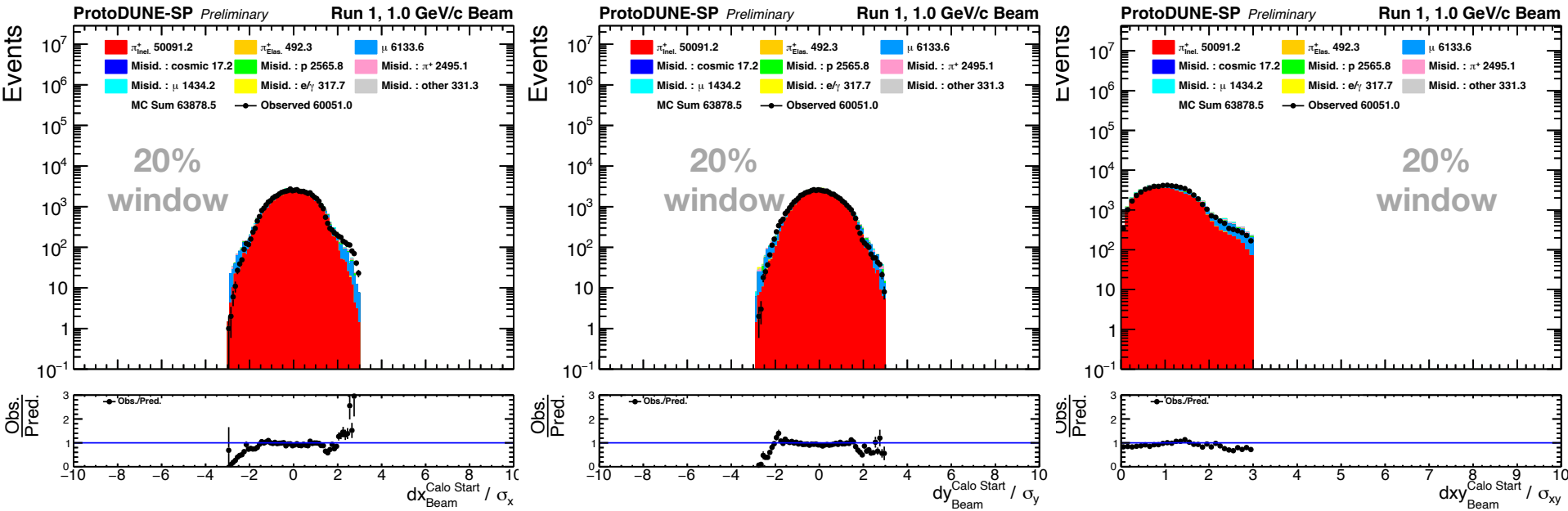
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- Additional cut on $P_{\text{Beam Inst.}}$: 20 % window
- Additional variables
- Beam track length distribution
 - Data has less pions and more muons : problem related with decay-in-flight simulation?



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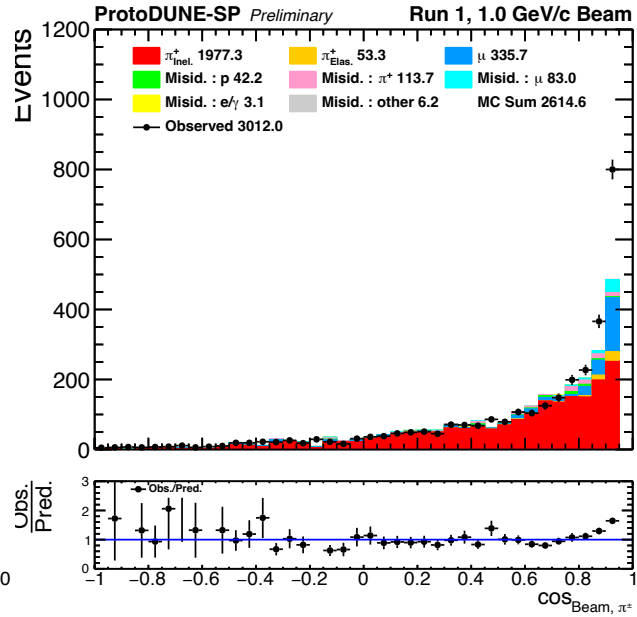
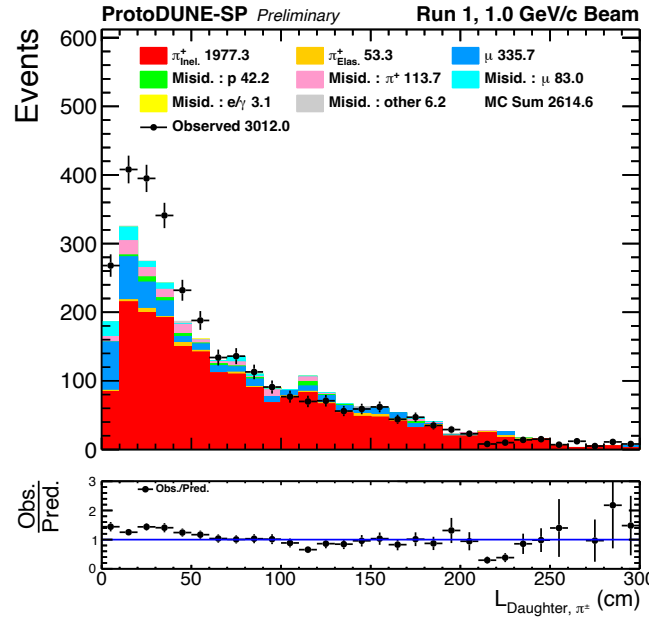
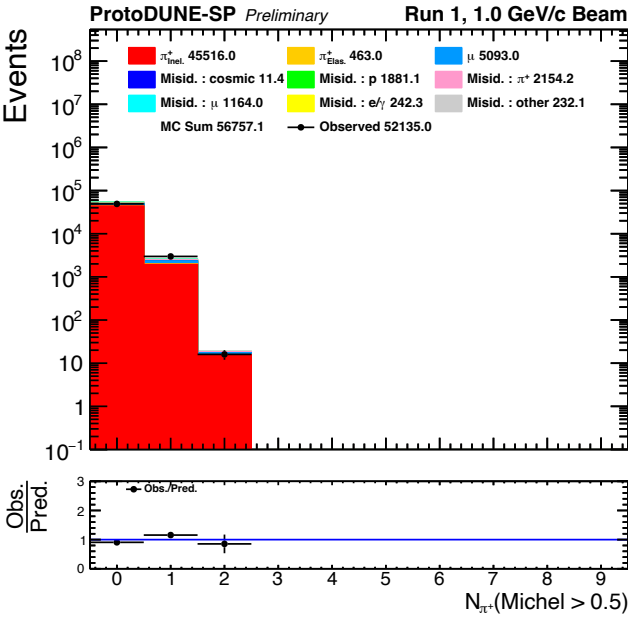
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Daughter variables

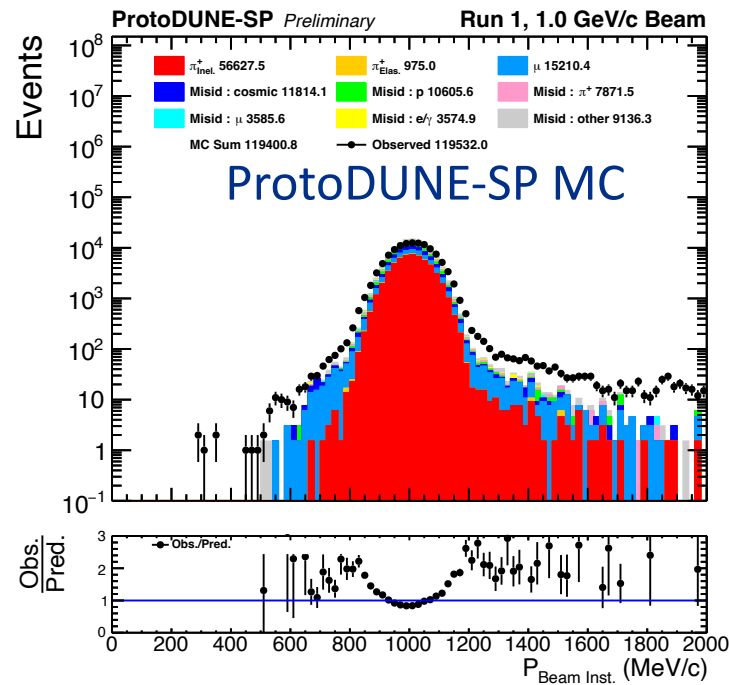
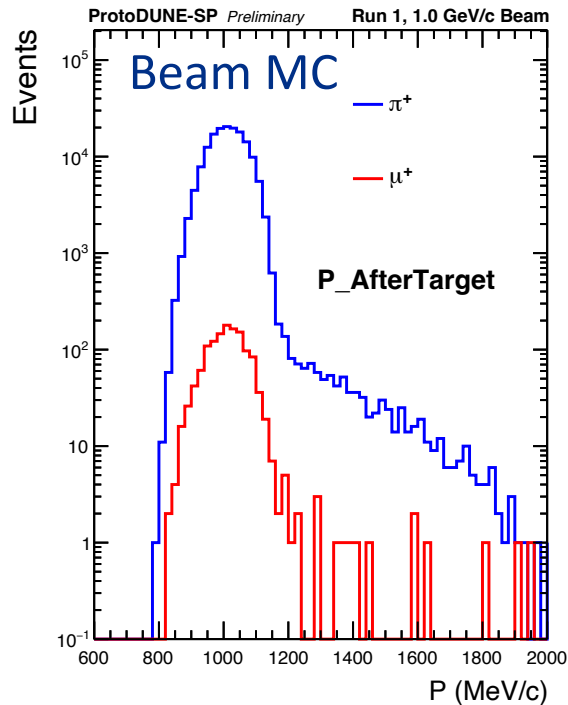
- At least one reconstructed daughter
- Mismodeling on muon beam contribution is suspected
 - I need to go back to beam momentum reweighting
- γ_{CT} of 1 GeV/c π^+ is $\gamma \times 7.8 \text{ m} = 7.23 \times 7.8 \text{ m} = 56.4 \text{ m}$
- H4-VLE beam's secondary target to ProtoDUNE distance is about 40 m : $\exp[-40/56.4] \sim 0.5$



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Beam simulation sample vs ProtoDUNE-SP MC

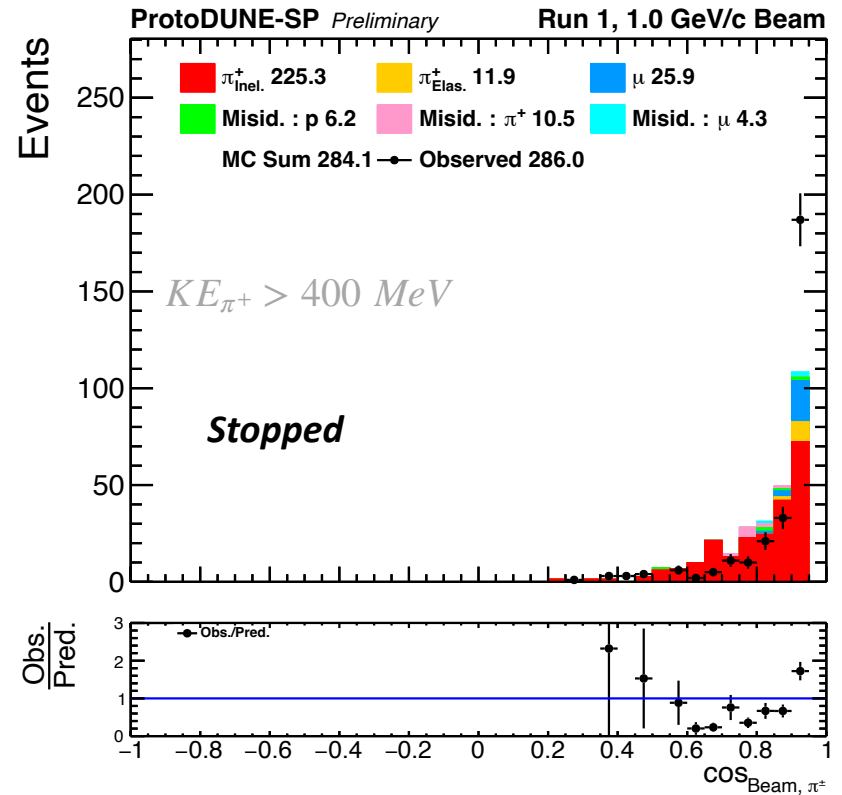
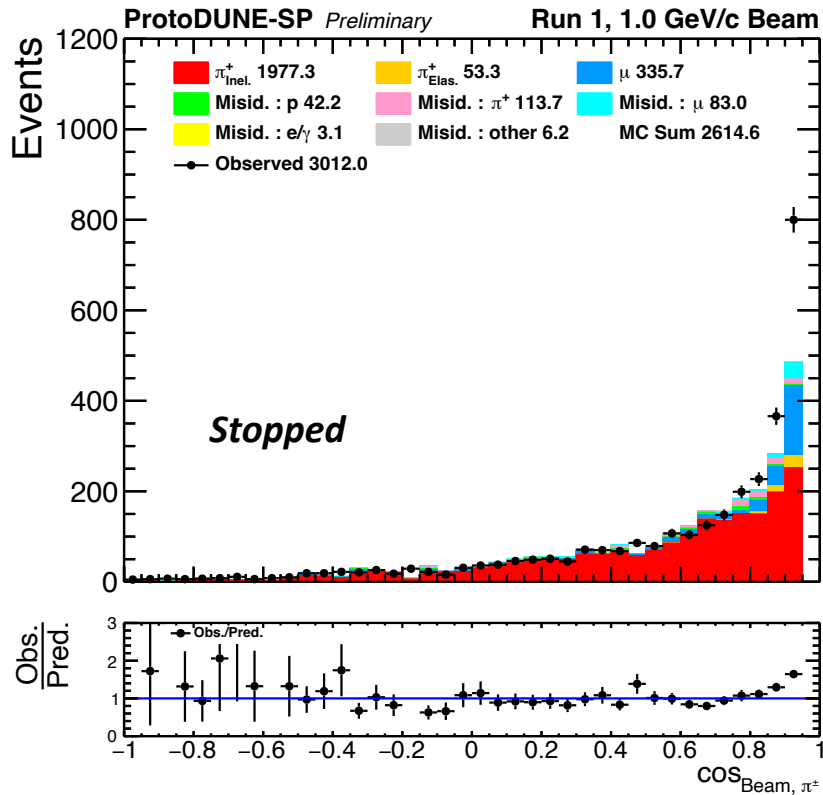
- Beam simulation
 - After the secondary target of the H4-VLE beam : $N(\mu^+)/N(\pi^+) = 0.83\%$
- ProtoDUNE-SP MC
 - $N(\mu^+)/N(\pi^+) = 26\%$ (smaller than 50%, need more study)



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Data vs MC distributions

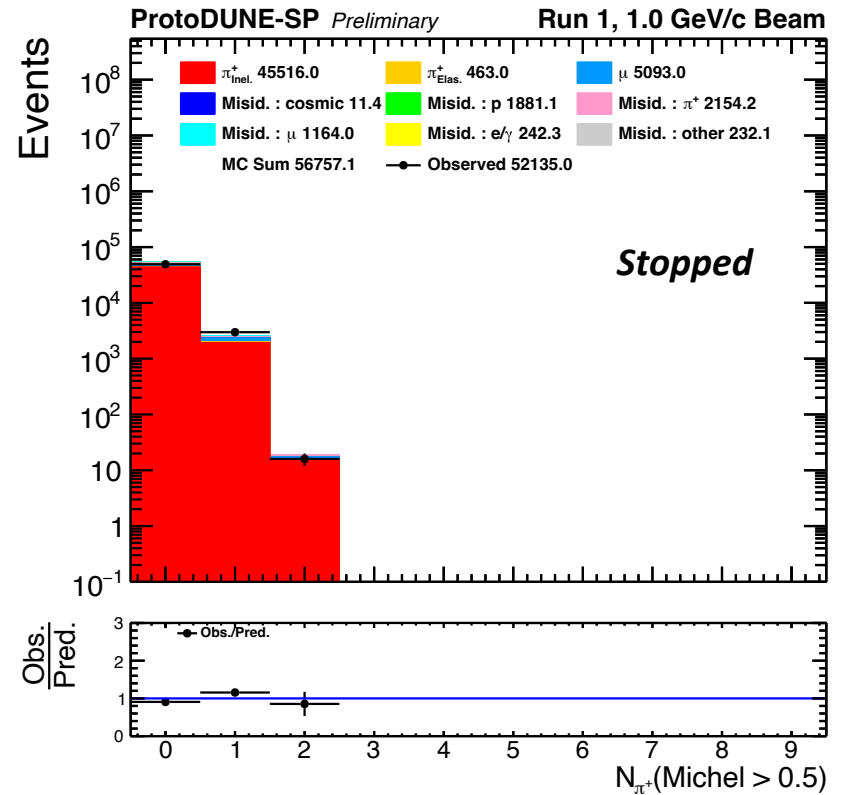
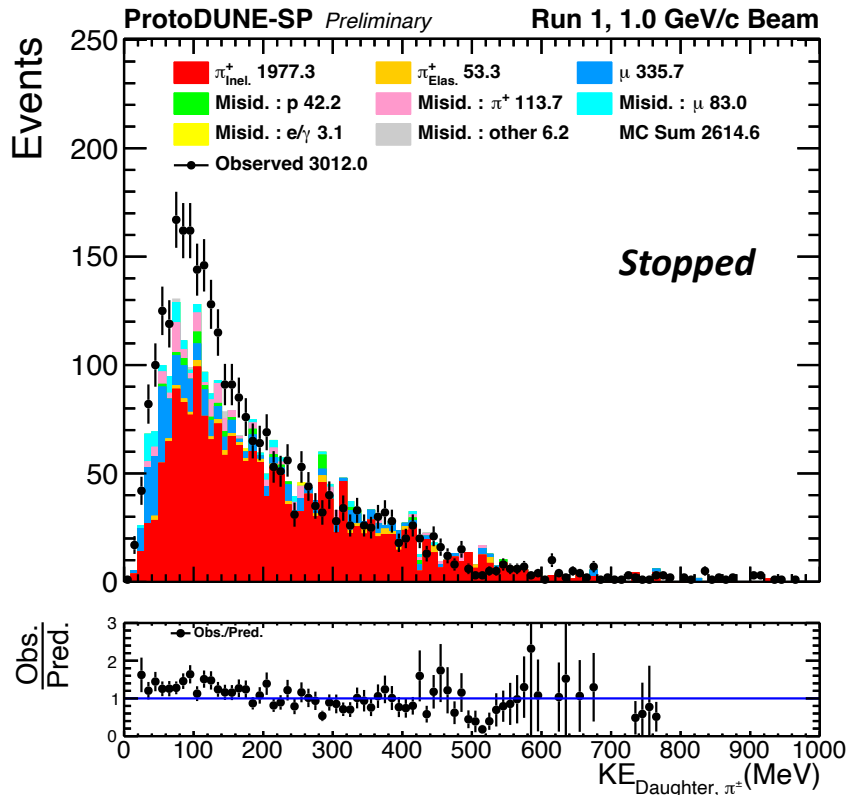
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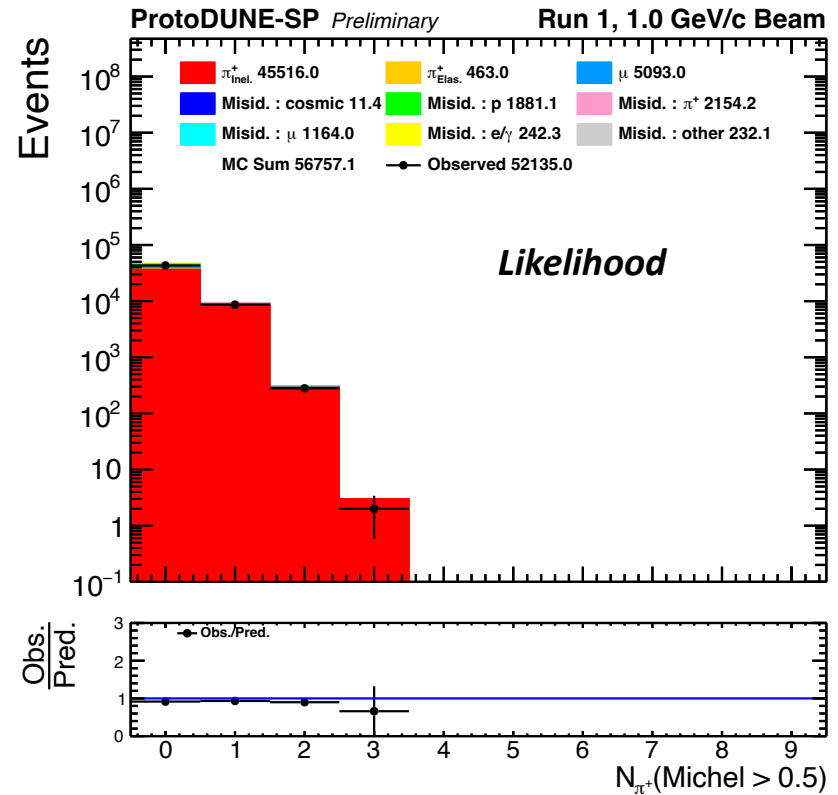
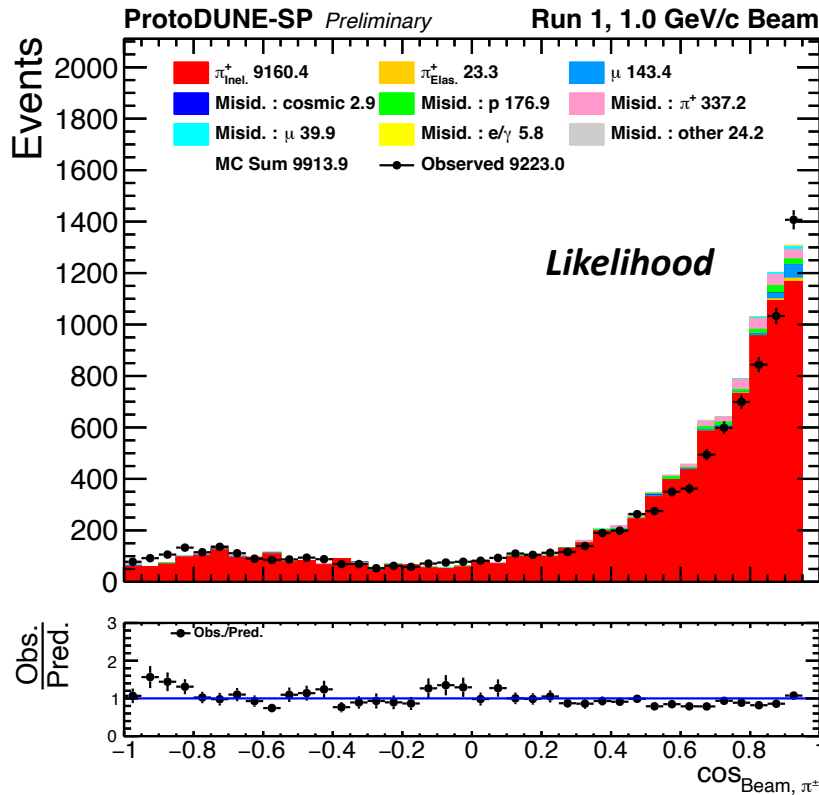
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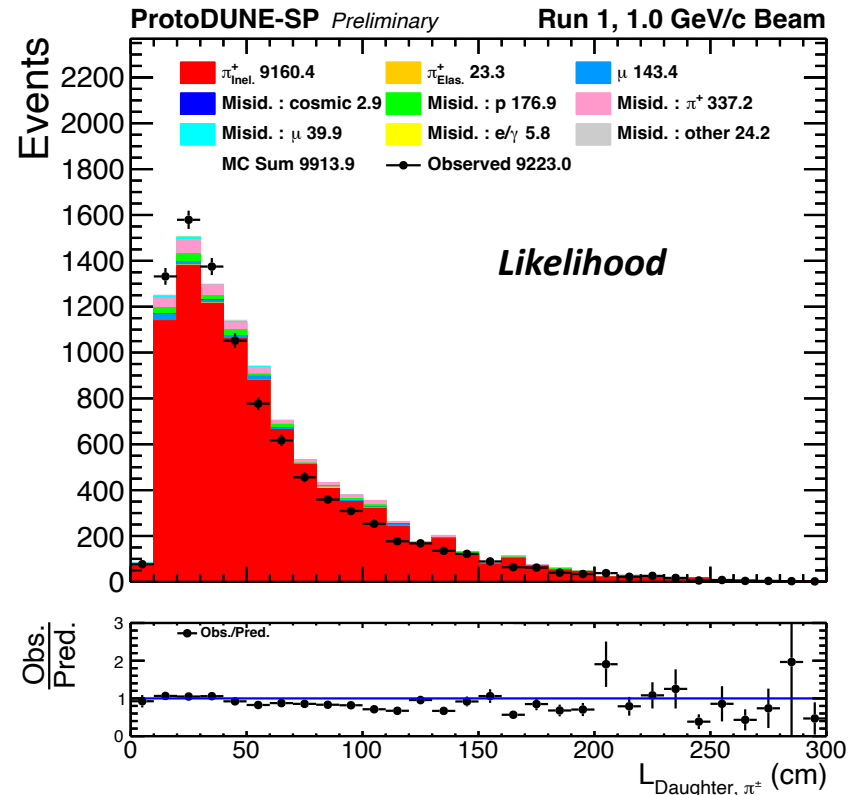
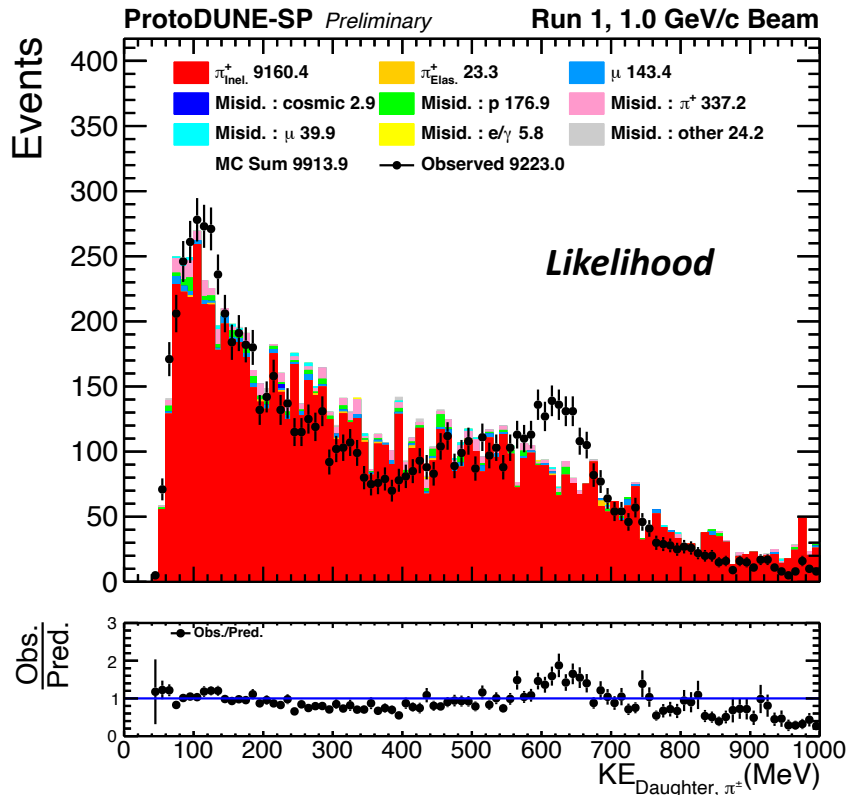
- Charged pions with Michel score < 0.5
- Fit not failed : maximum likelihood using the Vavilov PDF for dE/dx



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Using ProtoDUNE MC samples at generator level

- Difference between truth level beam particle energy at interaction point and E_{QE}
- A clear QE band is observed
- $E_b = 4$ MeV

