### **1 GeV/c Proton-argon Inelastic Cross-section Update**

Update on KE systematicsStudy of improving inelastic event selection

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# **KEff: Summary**



KE(truth) is the same before/after stopping proton cut
Compare fit, range, calo method: Fit method is the best that can represent truth energy
Wider distribution of fit method without stopping proton cut (because of inel. component)





► Use fit (stop) to determine E-loss



MC

17.2

19.6

27.1

26.7

49.3

48.7

### KE<sub>ff</sub>(reco) v.s. KE<sub>ff</sub>(truth): Stopping Protons





### KE<sub>ff</sub>(reco) v.s. KE<sub>ff</sub>(truth): Inelastic-scattering Protons



► Can we make event-by-event correction at KE<sub>ff</sub>, instead of reweighting?



### **Inelastic-scattering Proton Event Selection**





### **Feature Observables**

- ▶9 features used in total:
  - (1) PID: Chi<sup>2</sup> PID
  - (2) ntrklen: Normalized track length
  - (3) B: Impact parameter
    - (3D distance between endpoint to the projected line fitted using the first 3 hits)
  - (4) trklen: track length
  - (5) calo:  $\Sigma$ (dE/dx\*dx)
  - (6) mediandedx: Median dE/dx
  - (7) avcalo:  $\Sigma$ (dE/dx\*dx)/track length (energy loss per distance)
  - (8) endpointdedx: Averaged dE/dx of the last 3 hits
  - (9) costheta: Angle between beam and TPC track



# Inelastic Event Selection using XGBoost

XGBoost: eXtreme Gradient Boosted trees (2016)

Software package: <a href="https://xgboost.readthedocs.io/en/stable/">https://xgboost.readthedocs.io/en/stable/</a>

### XGBoost: A Scalable Tree Boosting System

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Figure 1: Tree Ensemble Model. The final prediction for a given example is the sum of predictions from each tree.

#### ABSTRACT

Tree boosting is a highly effective and widely used machine learning method. In this paper, we describe a scalable endto-end tree boosting system called XGBoost, which is used widely by data scientists to achieve state-of-the-art results on many machine learning challenges. We propose a novel sparsity-aware algorithm for sparse data and weighted quantile sketch for approximate tree learning. More importantly, we provide insights on cache access patterns, data compression and sharding to build a scalable tree boosting system. By combining these insights, XGBoost scales beyond billions of examples using far fewer resources than existing systems.

#### Keywords

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problems. Besides being used as a stand-alone predictor, it is also incorporated into real-world production pipelines for ad click through rate prediction [15]. Finally, it is the defacto choice of ensemble method and is used in challenges such as the Netflix prize [3].

In this paper, we describe XGBoost, a scalable machine learning system for tree boosting. The system is available as an open source package<sup>2</sup>. The impact of the system has been widely recognized in a number of machine learning and data mining challenges. Take the challenges hosted by the machine learning competition site Kaggle for example. Among the 29 challenge winning solutions <sup>3</sup> published at Kaggle's blog during 2015, 17 solutions used XGBoost. Among these solutions, eight solely used XGBoost to train the model, while most others combined XGBoost with neural nets in ensembles. For comparison, the second most popular

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# **XGBoost: Training Process**



MC: 60% used for training; 40% for cross-validation
AUC(Area under ROC) is used for evaluation of "distance" between reco and truth
Less than 40 sec processing time using prebuilt model



### **Feature Importance**



F-score: A metric that sums up number of times each feature is split on
Not surprised to see that PID is the most important feature



# **Training Result & Selection Cut**



Good separation between signal and background

### **Before/After BDT Cut**





### No Cut/Chi2 Cut





### **Chi2 Cut/BDT Cut**



Inel.: 6% improvement (91 % purity obtained) (4% MisID:P + 2 % El. background)





# **AUC Using TMVA**



