



Detector Related Uncertainties in ICARUS

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Background

What is ICARUS

- ICARUS stands for "Imaging Cosmic And Rare Underground Signals"
- It is a Time Projection Chamber (TPC) detector, which means that it uses a uniform electric field to drift charged particles through the liquid argon and create a 3D image of the particle tracks
- It is designed to study neutrinos and their interactions with matter



Why Liquid Argon

- It is a dense material, which means that it can stop charged particles effectively
- It is a good scintillator, which means that it produces light when charged particles pass through it. This light can be detected and used to reconstruct the path of the particle
- It is a good insulator, which means that it can be used to create a uniform electric field that can be used to drift the charged particles through the detector
- It is a stable and abundant material, which means that it is relatively easy to obtain and work with

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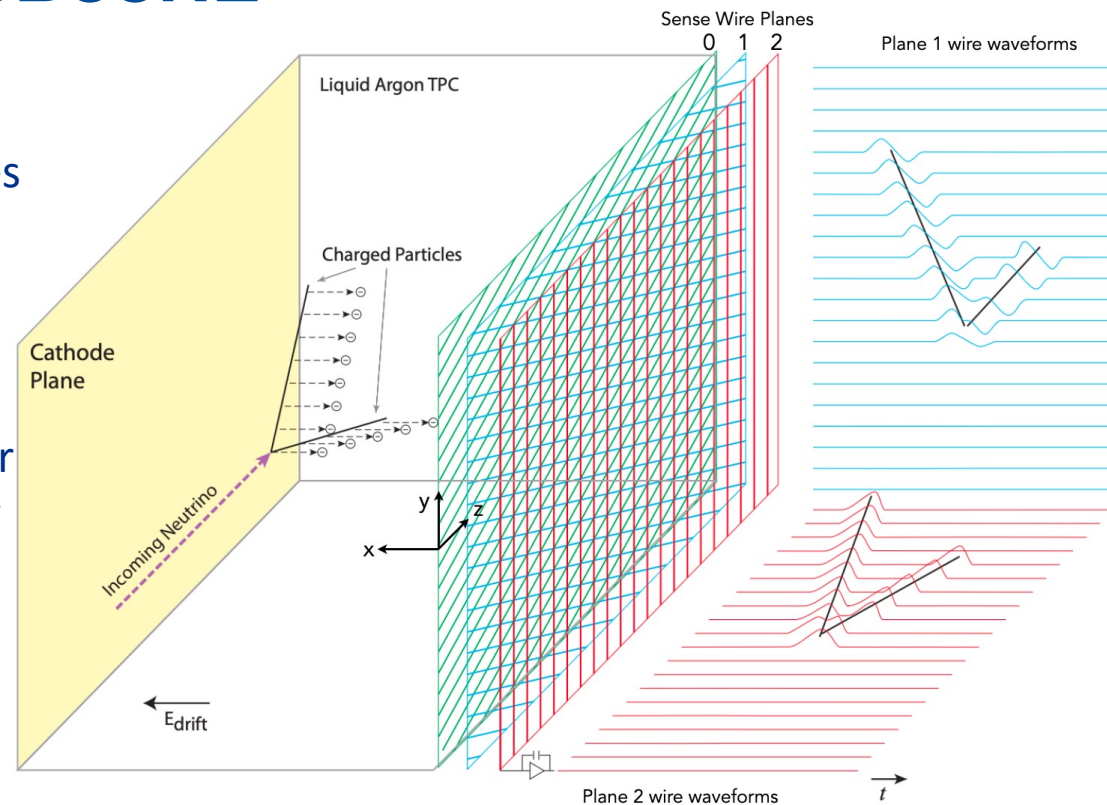
Motivation and Purpose

Purpose

- No detector is perfect, so it is important to quantify this
- There are simulation data and experimental data
- The ratio of these data sets quantifies the differences between the Monte Carlo simulation and the experiment
- This gives insight into detector-related uncertainties

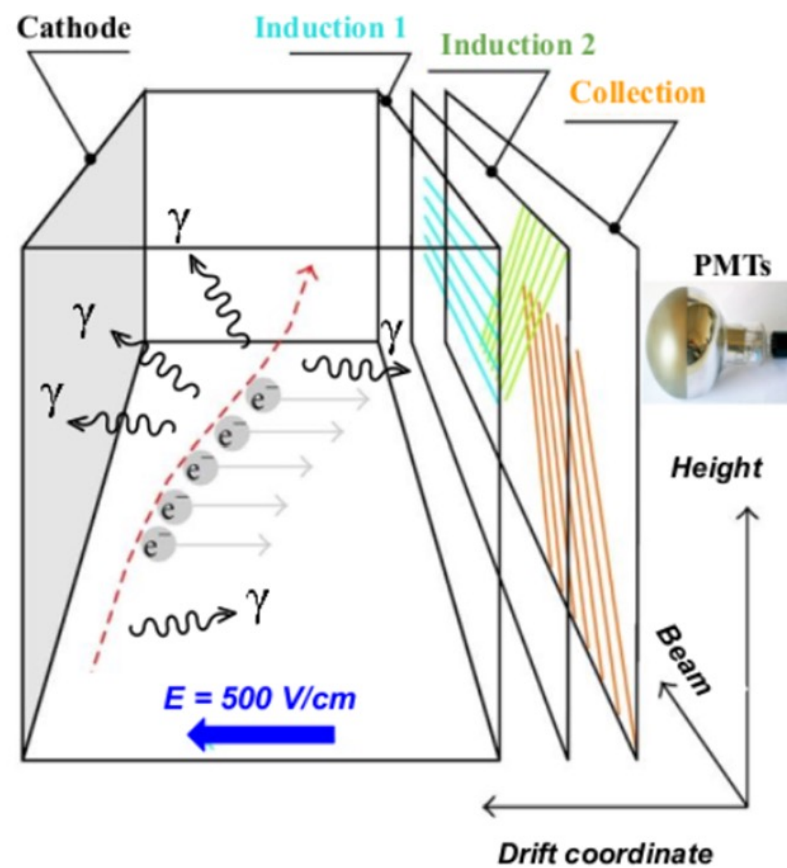
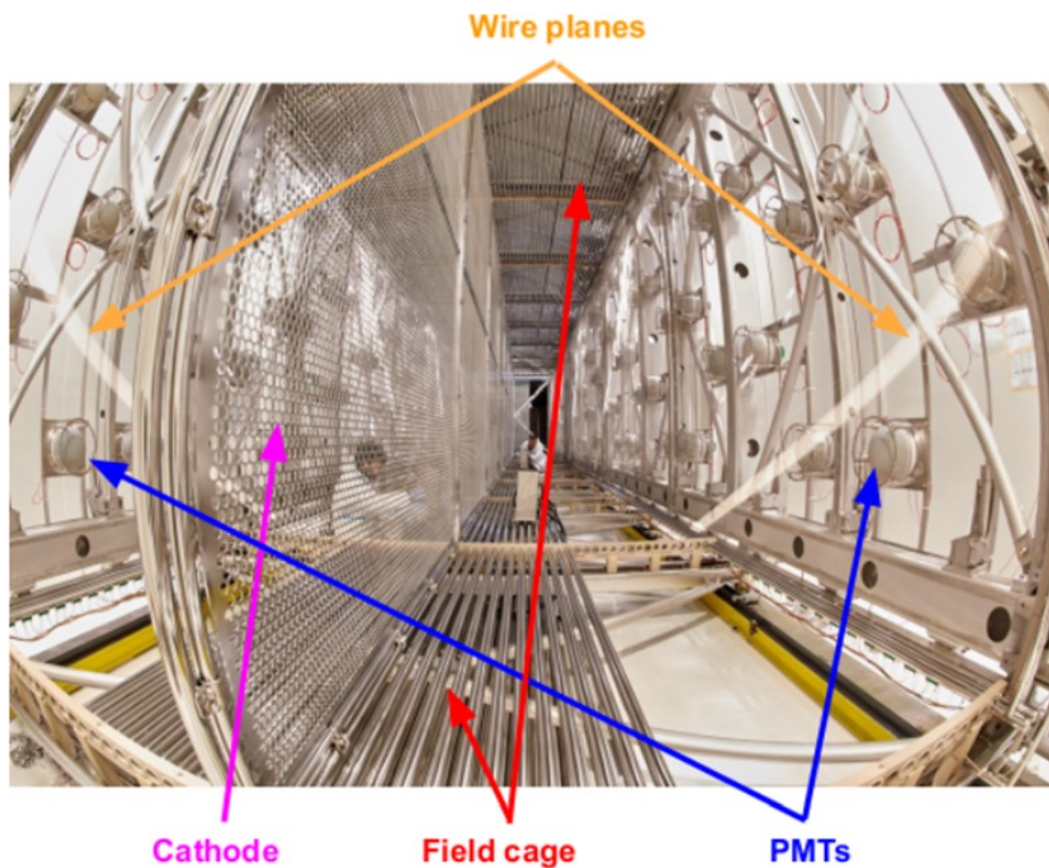
Wire Planes in MicroBooNE

- Ionization electrons drift in the applied electric field until they reach the three sense wire planes located at the anode
- The drifting electrons induce signals on the first two planes, referred to as induction planes or planes 0 and 1, and then directly contribute to the signals in the final plane, referred to as the collection plane or plane 2
- The collection plane wires are aligned vertically, and the induction plane wires are oriented at ± 60 degrees from the vertical



[2] Schematic of MicroBooNE Wire Planes

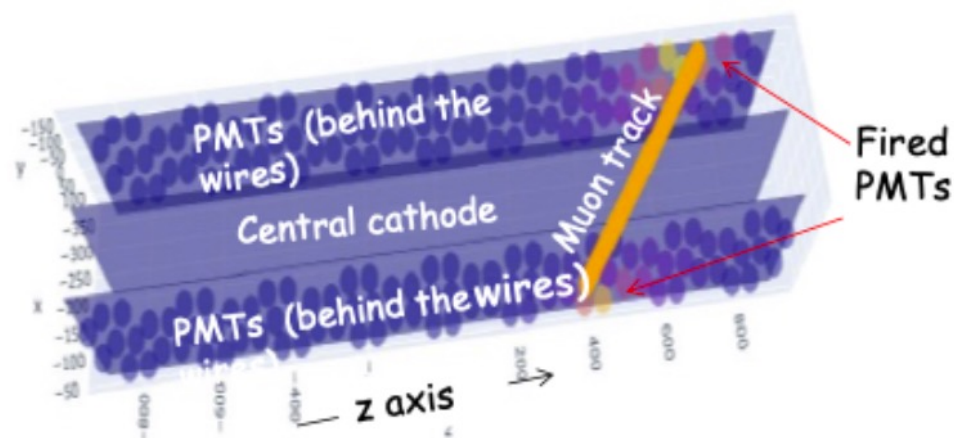
ICARUS Detector Layout



[1] Icarus layout

ICARUS

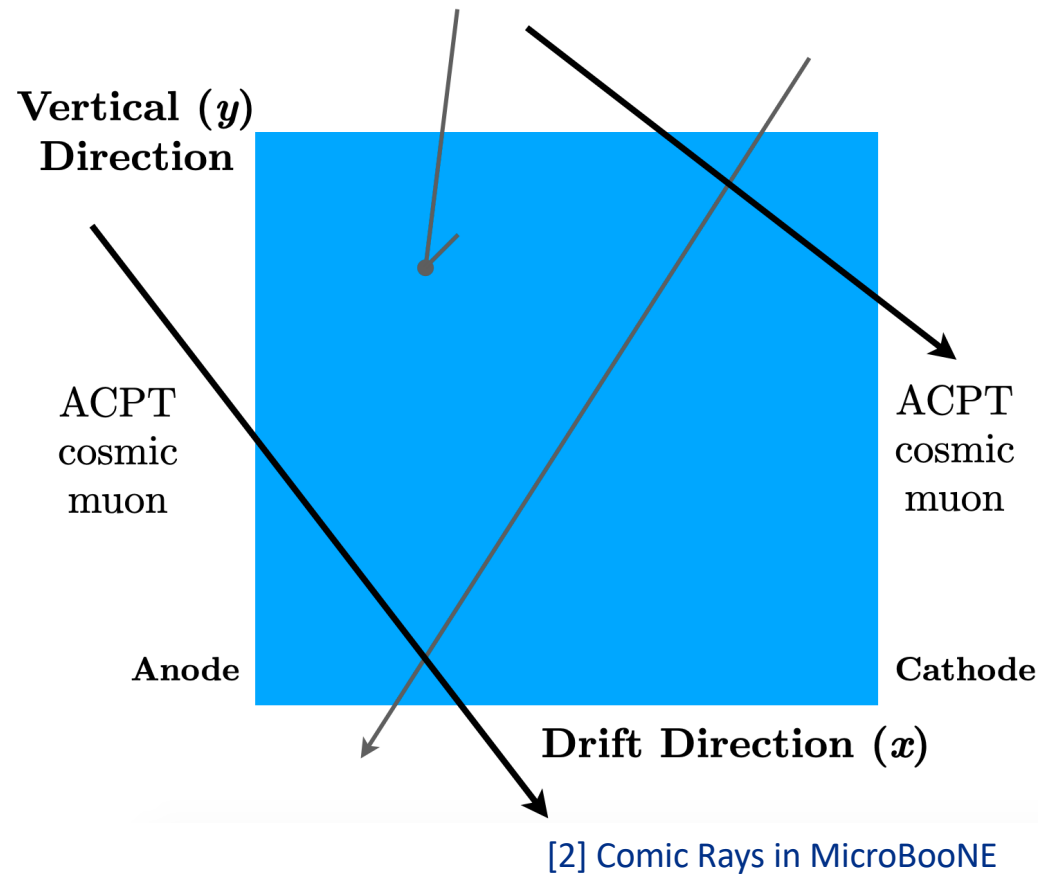
- We want to quantify the differences between the Monte Carlo simulation on the data
- We can look at the data from different parts of the detector and see how the signals differ with the geometry



[1] Muon tracks in ICARUS

Using Cosmic Rays

- Neutrinos are hard to detect though, so cosmic ray muons provide a good way to understand the detector



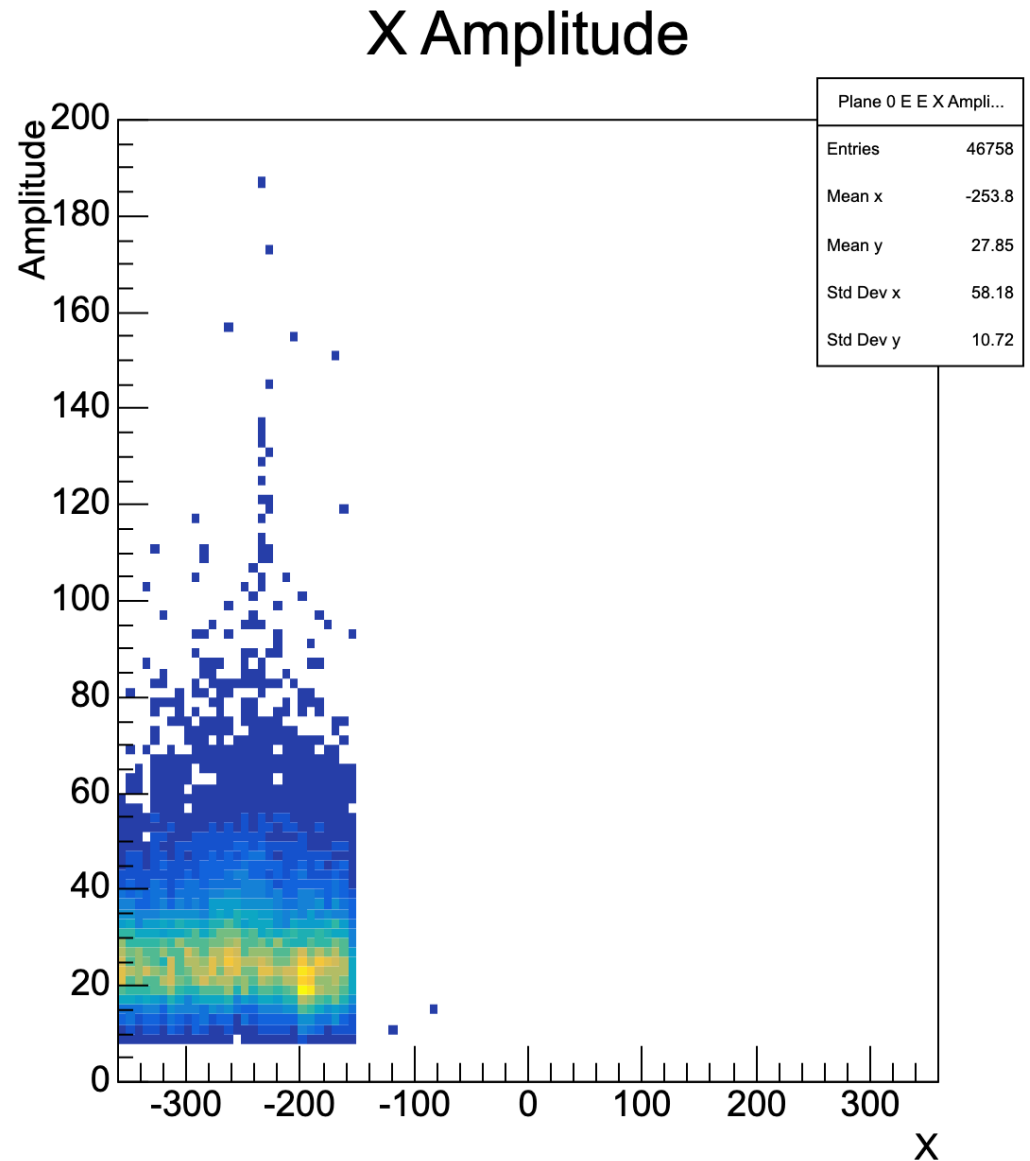


Results

Histograms of Data

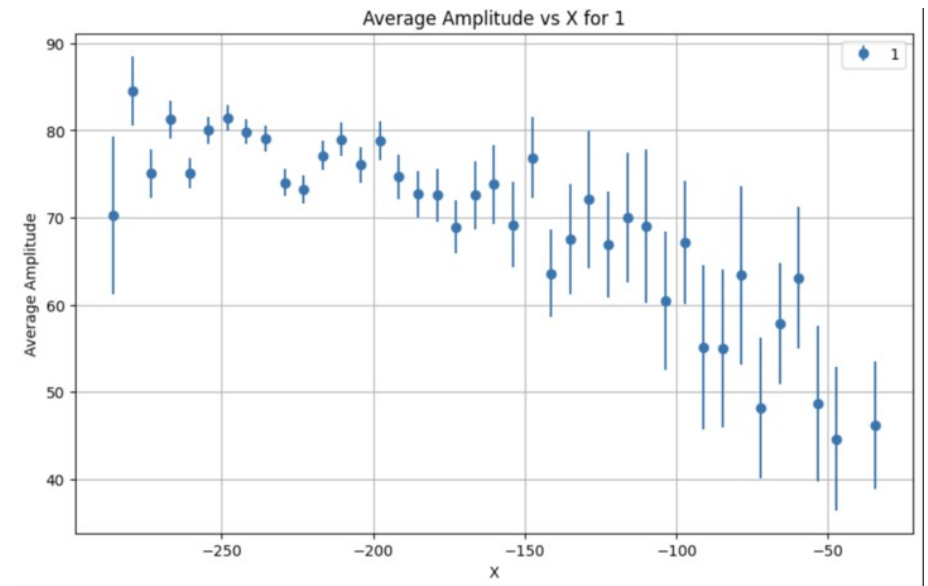
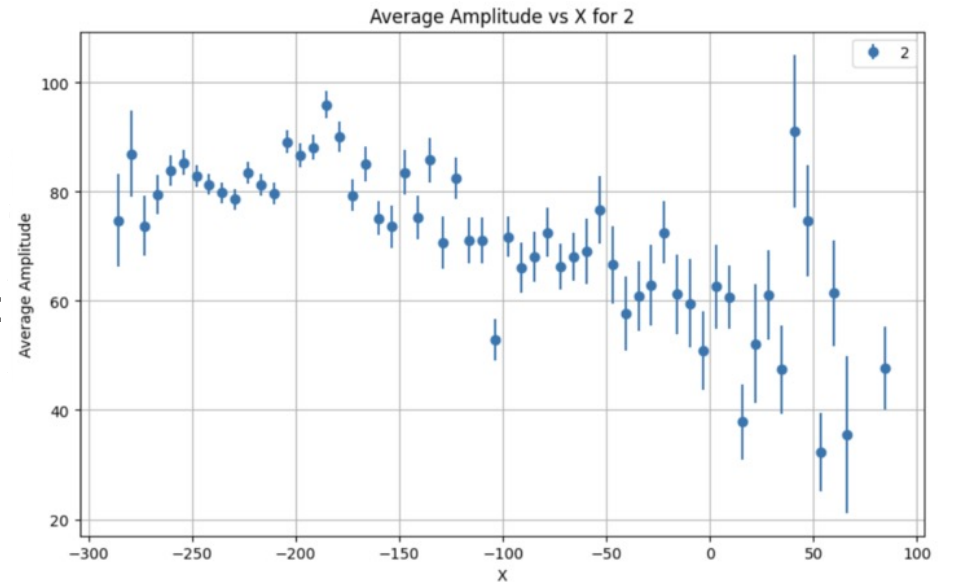
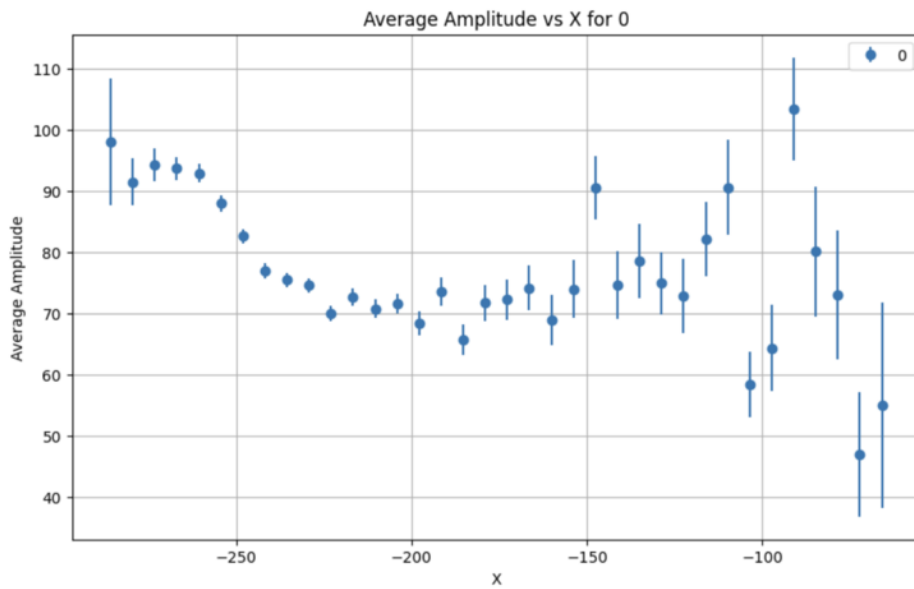
The data is organized into different histograms based on:

- wire planes
- TPC (East or West)
- Cryostat (also East or West)
- Selected events of particles going through the anode or cathode



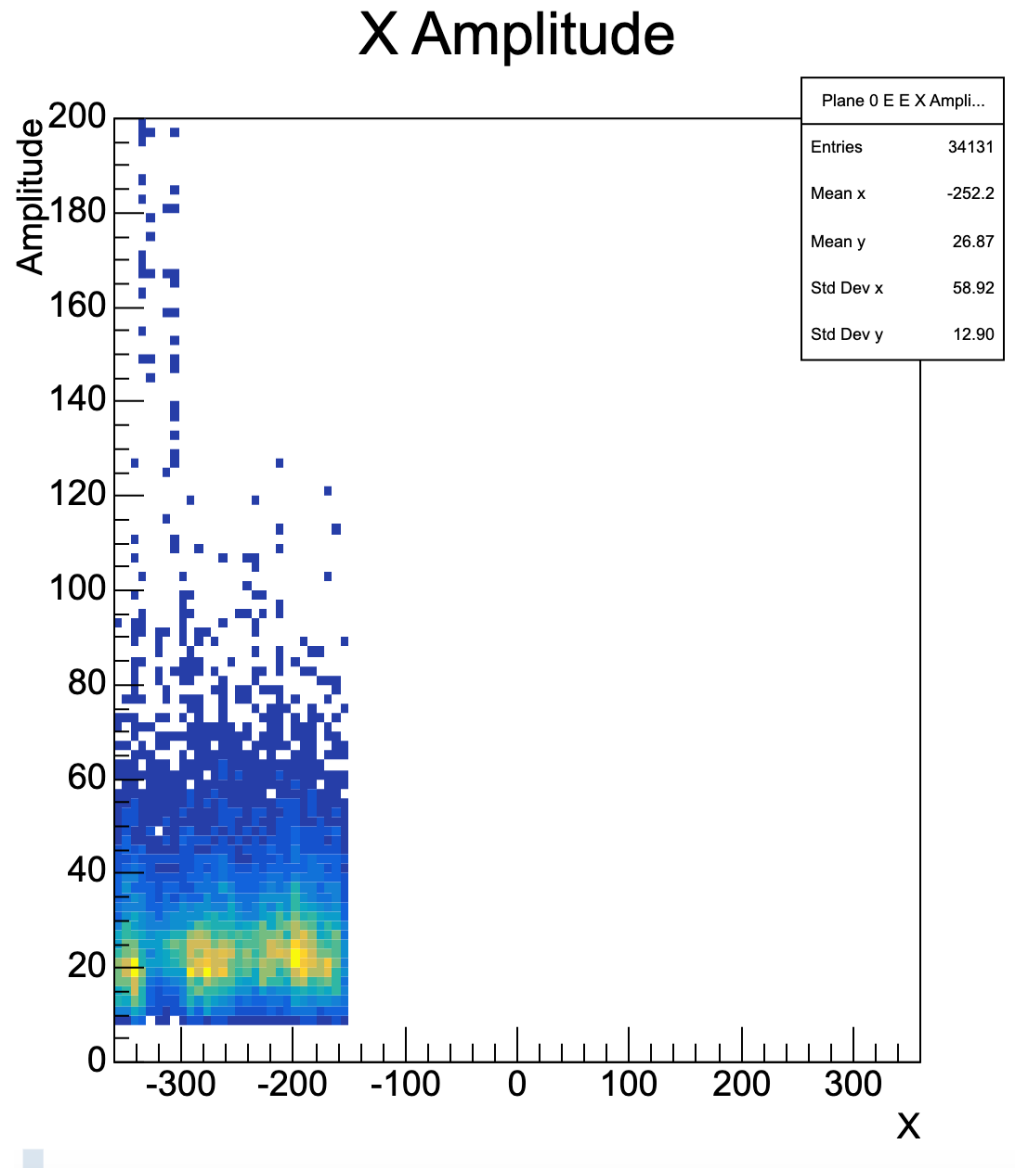
Combing Histograms

- There are quite a few histograms
- Combining all that have the same plane:

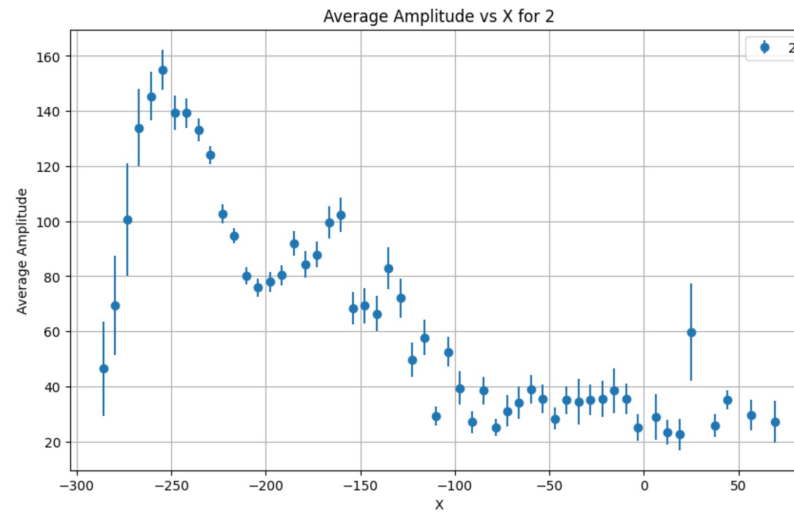
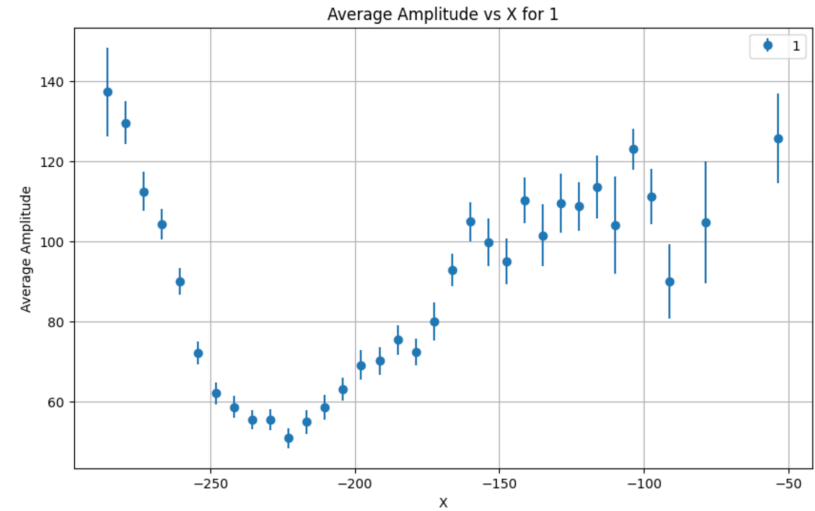
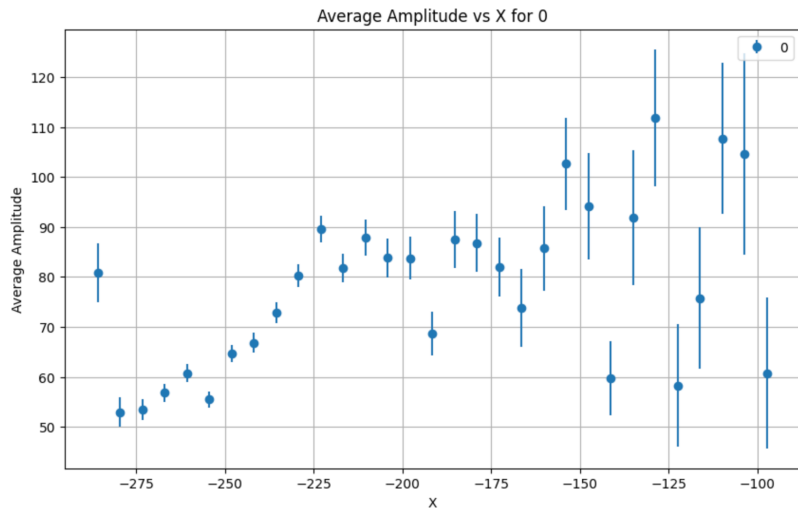


Histograms of MC

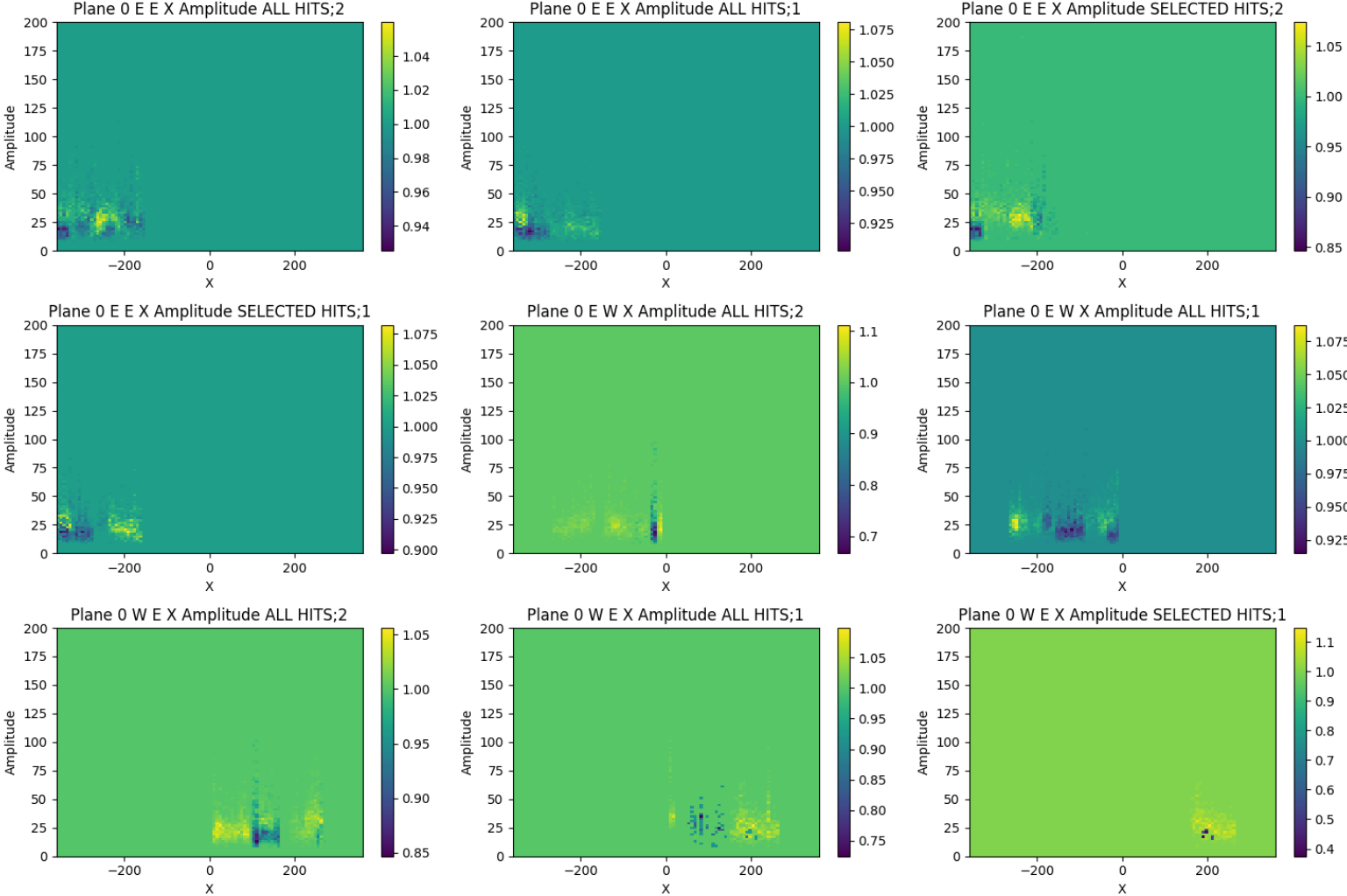
- Results of Monte Carlo simulations so ratios of DATA / MC can be formed

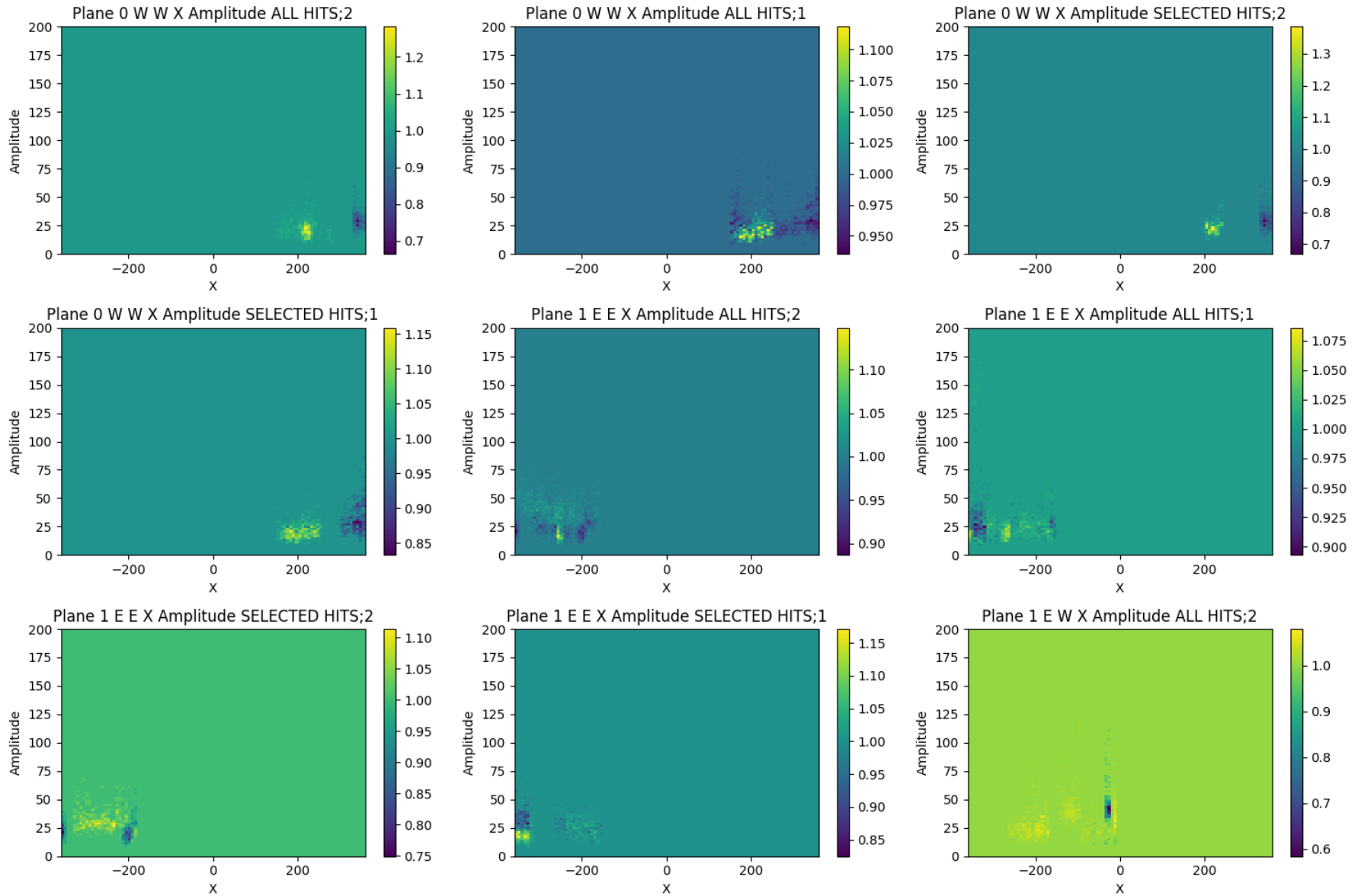


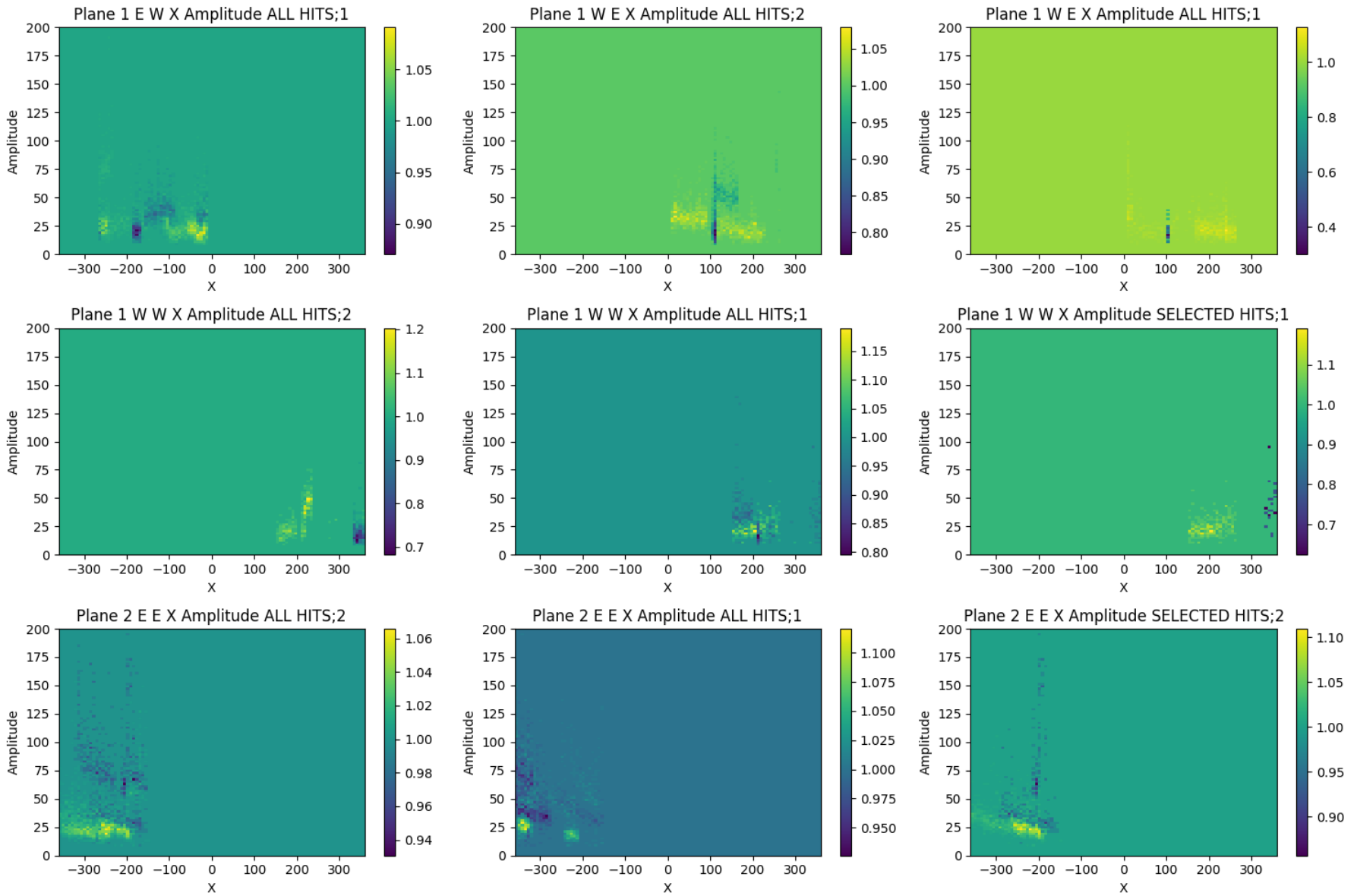
Combining MC Histograms

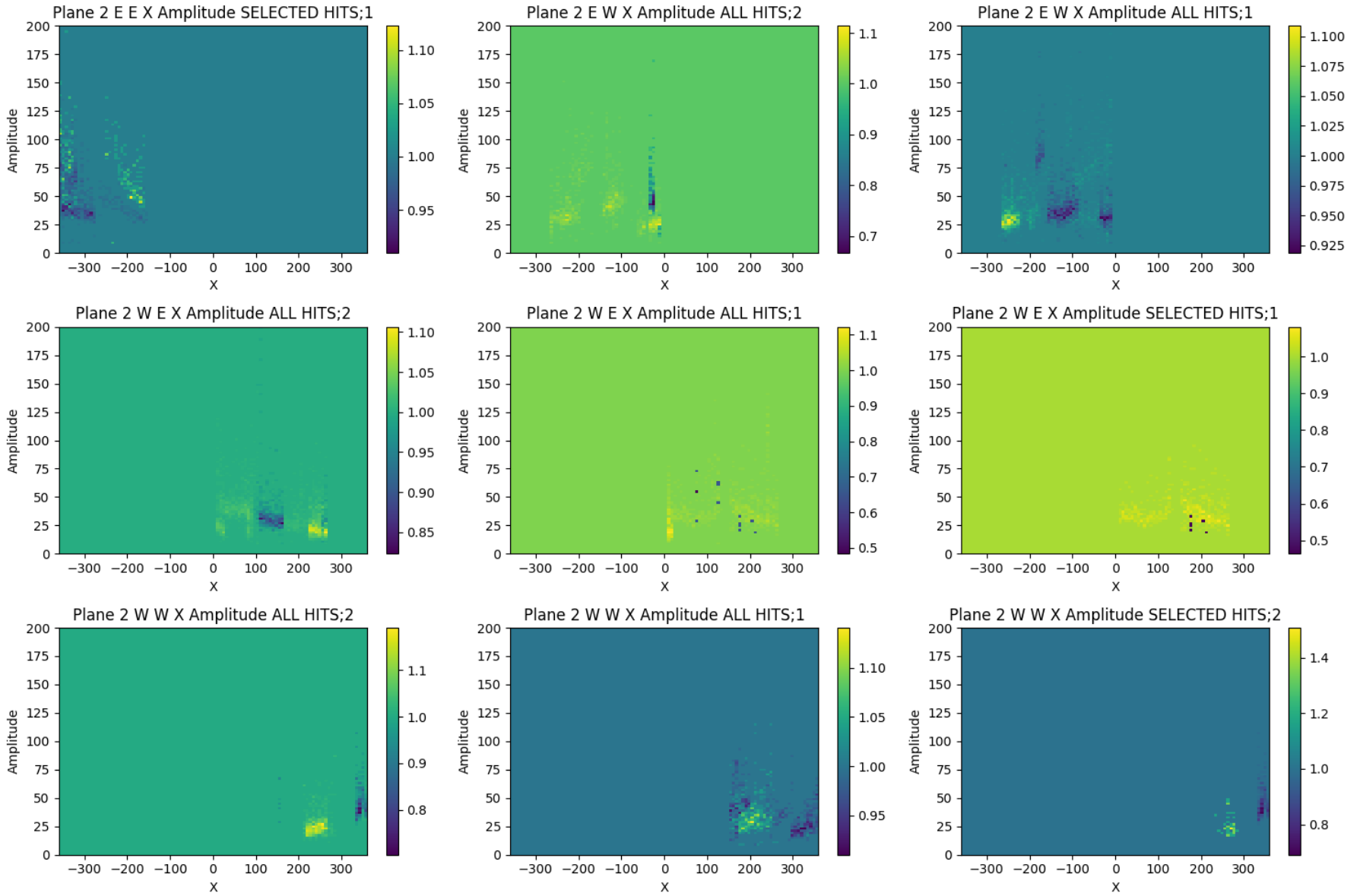


Ratios of Data / MC (X vs. Amplitude)











Conclusions

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- Neutrinos are hard to study
- Cosmic Rays are easier, so they can be used to understand the detector
- The ratio of the Monte Carlo simulations and the experimental data gives insights into uncertainties stemming from the detector

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