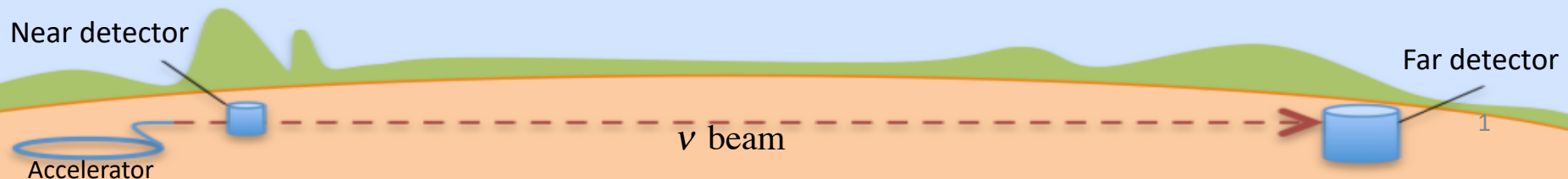


# Update: Validation of neutrino energy estimation using electron scattering data

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# Outline

## 1. Introduction.

## 2. June 2019 status:

- Looked at  $(e,e')$ ,  $(e,e'p)$  events with zero detected pions and photons.
- Reconstructed energies  $E_{\text{Cal}}$ ,  $E_{\text{QE}}$ .
- Completed subtraction for undetected  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\gamma$  and extra p.
- Modified  $e^-$  momentum correction.
- Analyzed the 1.1 GeV e2a data.
- Determined binding energy values for  $E_{\text{Rec}}$  calculations.
- Analysis review ongoing.

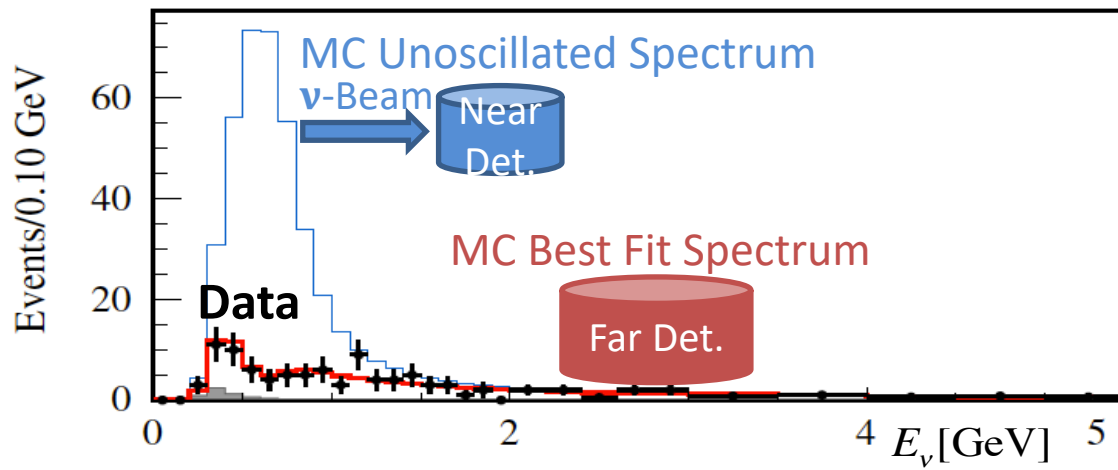
## 3. Status today:

- Obtained final results on energy reconstruction.
- Completed estimation of uncertainties from different sources.
- Compared to  $\nu$  event generator results running in  $e^-$  mode.
- Show potential impact on DUNE oscillation analysis.
- Completed analysis review.

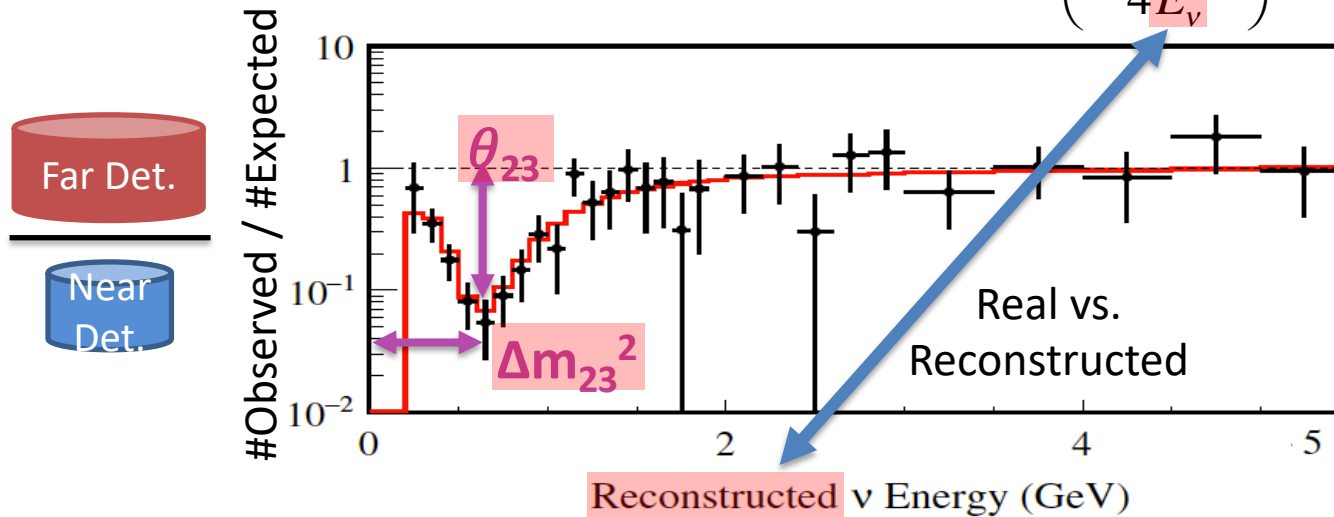
# (Long Baseline) Oscillation Challenge

Near detector

Far detector



$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \times \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E_\nu}\right)$$



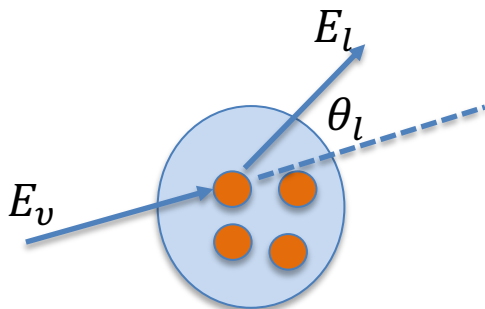
# Energy Reconstruction for QE reactions

## (1) Cherenkov detectors:

- Detect: leptons & pions
- Miss: protons and neutrons

Use lepton kinematics  
assuming QE interaction

$$E_{QE} = \frac{2M\varepsilon + 2ME_l - m_l^2}{2(M - E_l + |k_l|\cos(\theta_l))}$$



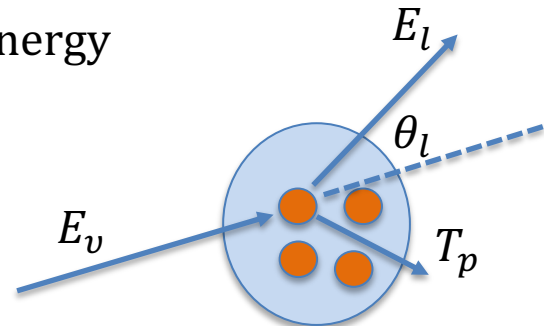
$\varepsilon = E_{\text{bind}} = \text{Binding energy}$

## (2) Tracking detectors:

- Detect: Charged particles +  $\pi^0$
- Miss: Neutrons and charged particles below threshold

Use final-state calorimetry assuming  
low residual excitations

$$E_{Cal} = E_l + T_p + \varepsilon$$



# Targets and beam energies

## Targets in E2a:

- $^3\text{He}$
- $^4\text{He}$
- $^{12}\text{C}$
- $^{56}\text{Fe}$

## Beam energies E2a:

- 1.161 GeV
- 2.261 GeV
- 4.461 GeV

## Targets in neutrino experiments:

T2K: CH, H<sub>2</sub>O

Minerva:  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$ , C, Fe, H<sub>2</sub>O

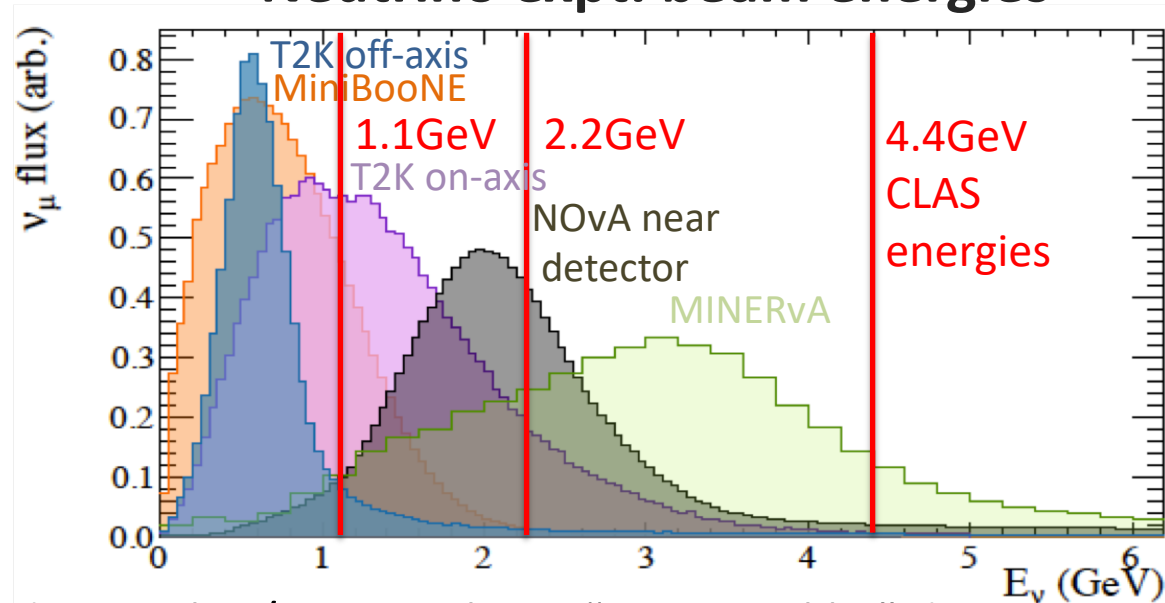
Microboone: Ar

Miniboone: mineral oil (C, H, O)

Nova: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>

DUNE: Ar

## Neutrino expt. beam energies

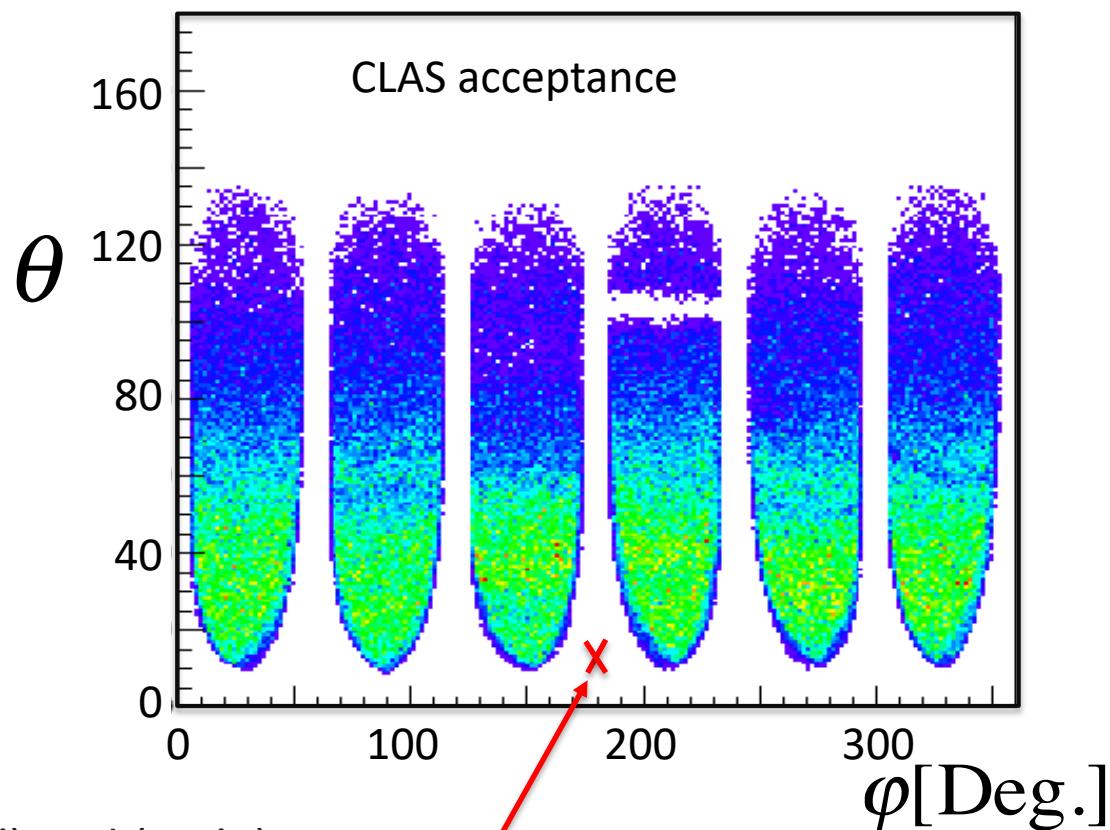


Scale the electron scattering data with  $1/\sigma_{\text{Mott}}$  to have “neutrino like” data!

# Background Subtraction

As close to QE as one can get:

- Scattered electron,
- Knockout proton,
- Zero pion,
- Zero gammas in the EC.



Want  $0\pi$  (e,e') and (e,e'p) events.

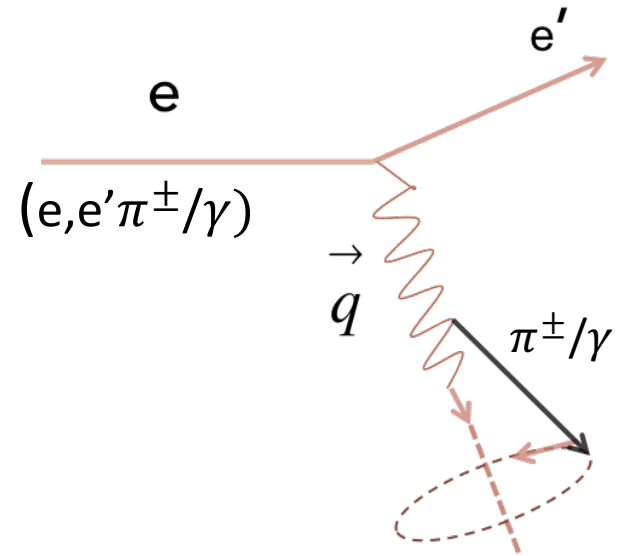
Need to account for **undetected  $\pi$ ,  $\gamma$  and extra protons.**

# Background Subtraction in (e,e') analysis

Subtract for undetected  $\pi^\pm$  and  $\gamma$ :

Data Driven Correction (example  $1\pi$ ):

1. Use measured (e,e' $\pi$ ) events,
2. Rotate  $\pi$  around  $\vec{q}$  to determine its acceptance A,
3. Determine (e,e') $\pi$  contributions using A,
4. Subtract (e,e') $\pi$  contributions,

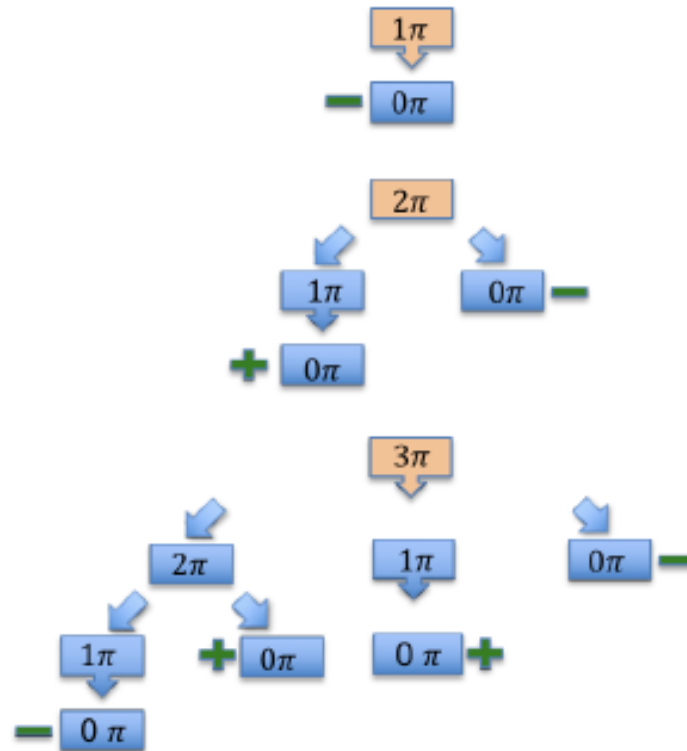
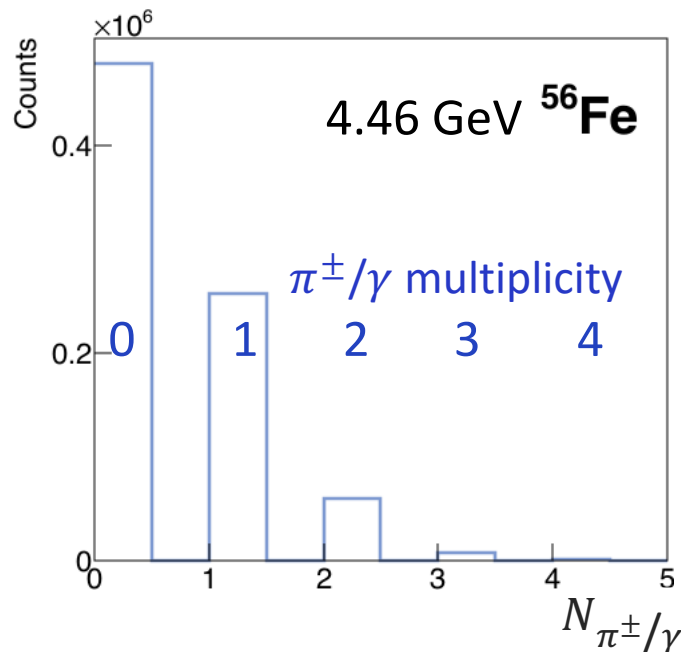
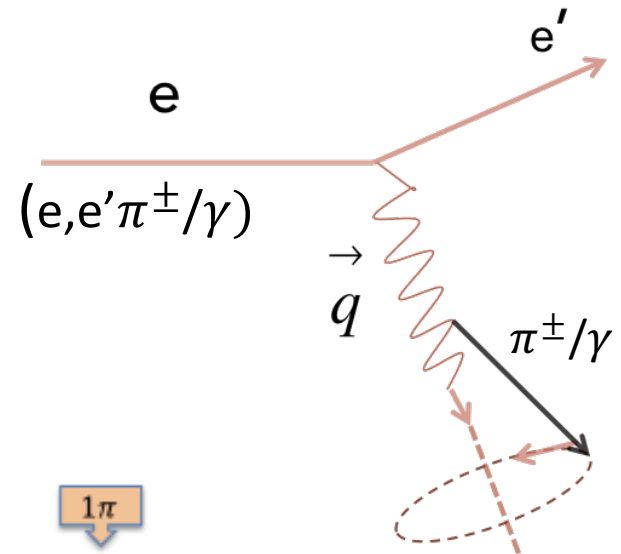


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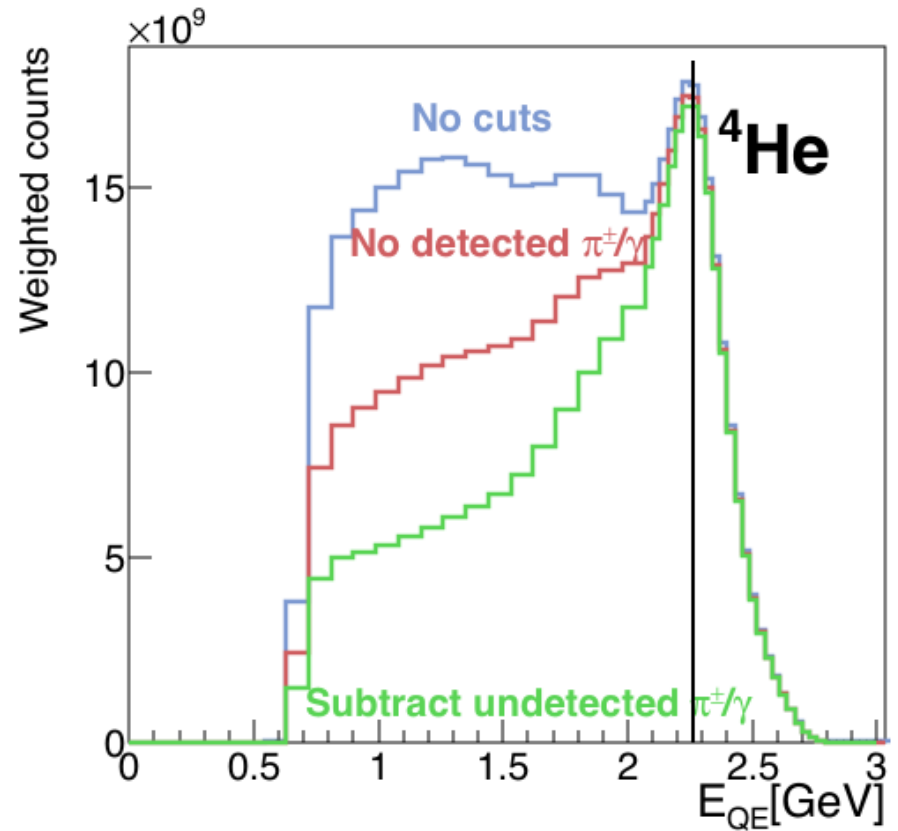
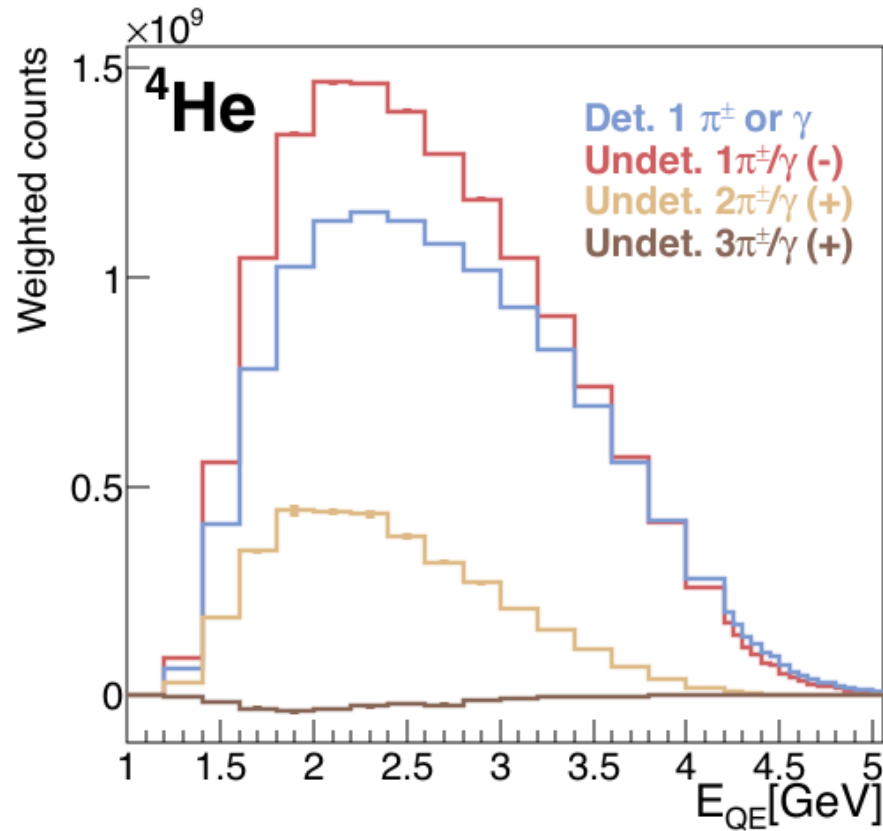
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3. Determine (e,e') $\pi$  contributions using  $A$ ,
4. Subtract (e,e') $\pi$  contributions,
5. Repeat for  $2\pi$ ,  $3\pi$ ,  $4\pi$ .



# $(e,e') \pi^\pm/\gamma$ subtraction

2.26 GeV

$\pi^\pm/\gamma$  subtraction



$\pi$  detected in TOF+DC  
 $\gamma$  detected in EC

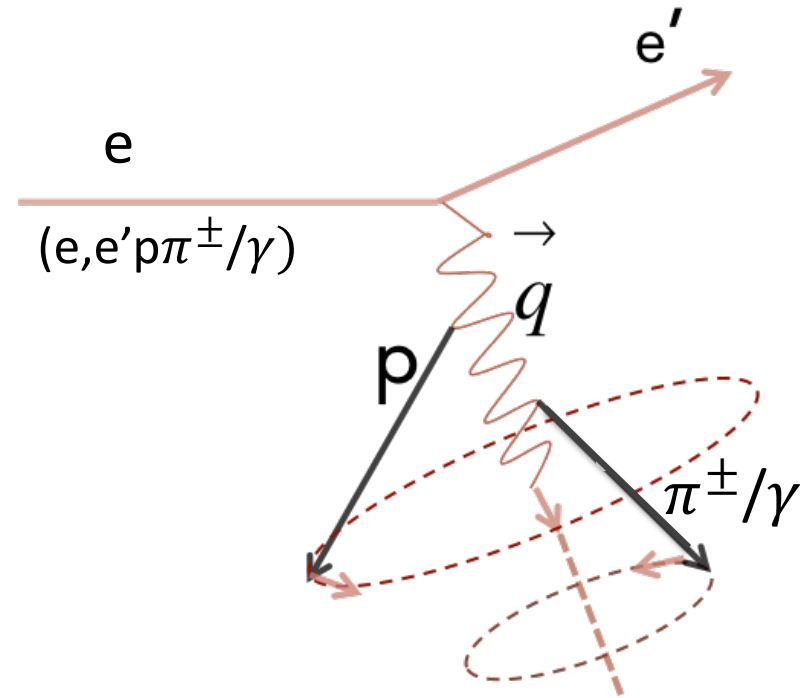
# Background Subtraction in $(e,e'p)$ analysis

Want  $A(e,e'p)$  events.

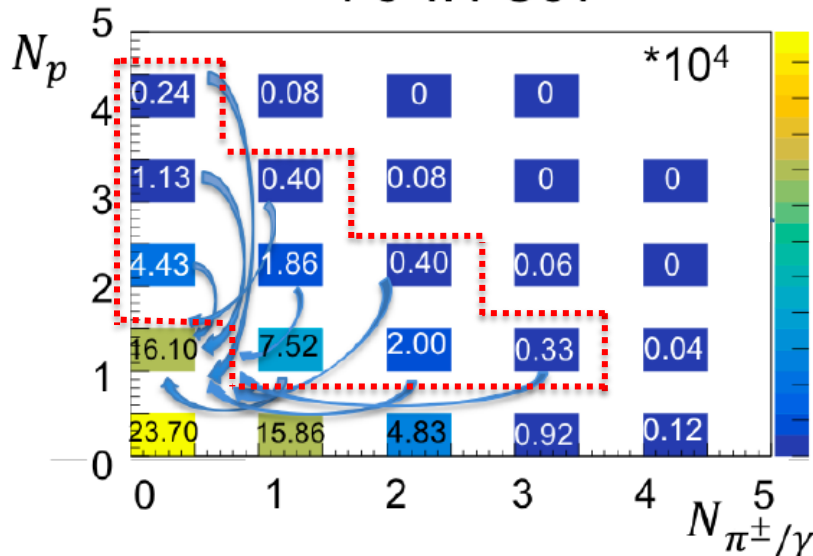
Subtract for undetected  $\pi$ ,  $\gamma$  and multiple  $p$ .

Data Driven Correction (example  $1p+1\pi$ ):

1. Use measured  $(e,e'p\pi)$  events,
2. Rotate  $\pi$  and  $p$  around  $\vec{q}$  to determine their acceptance  $A$ ,
3. Determine  $(e,e'p)\pi$  contributions using  $A$ ,
4. Subtract  $(e,e'p)\pi$  contributions,
5. **Do the same for  $2p$ ,  $3p$ ,  $2p+\pi$  etc**

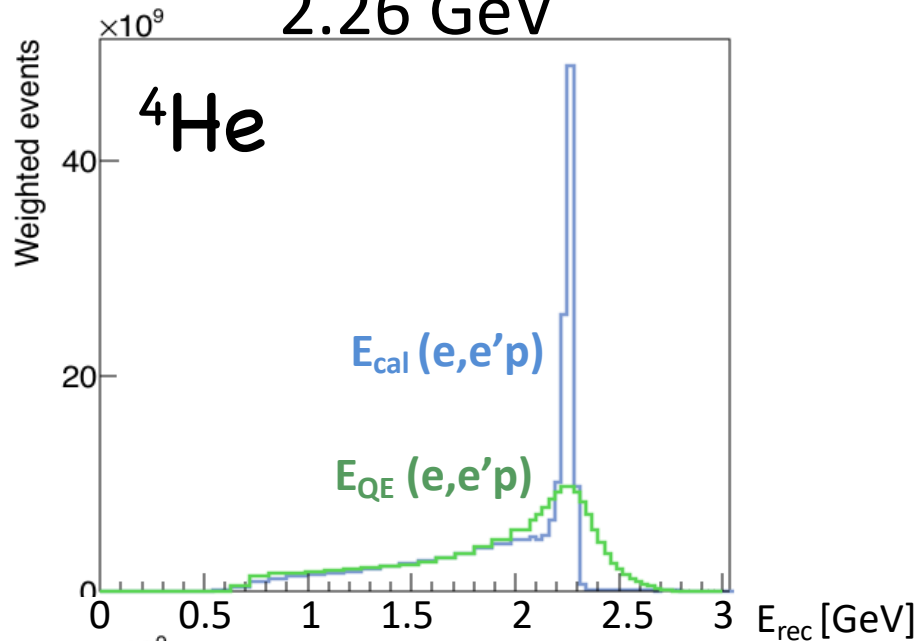


$^{56}\text{Fe}$  4.4 GeV



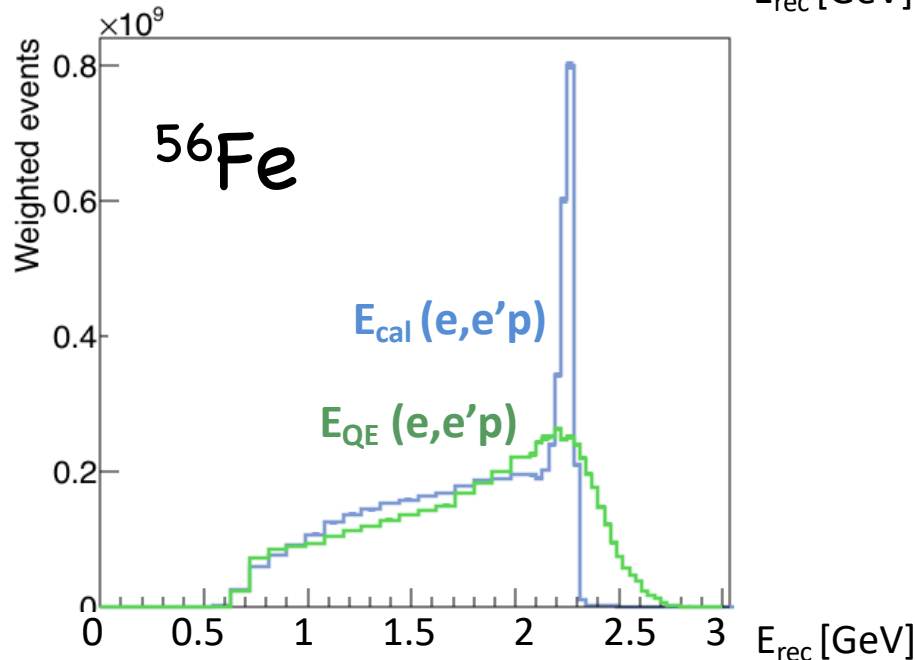
# Energy reconstruction: A dependence

2.26 GeV



$$E_{QE} = \frac{2M\varepsilon + 2ME_l - m_l^2}{2(M - E_l + |k_l|\cos(\theta_l))}$$

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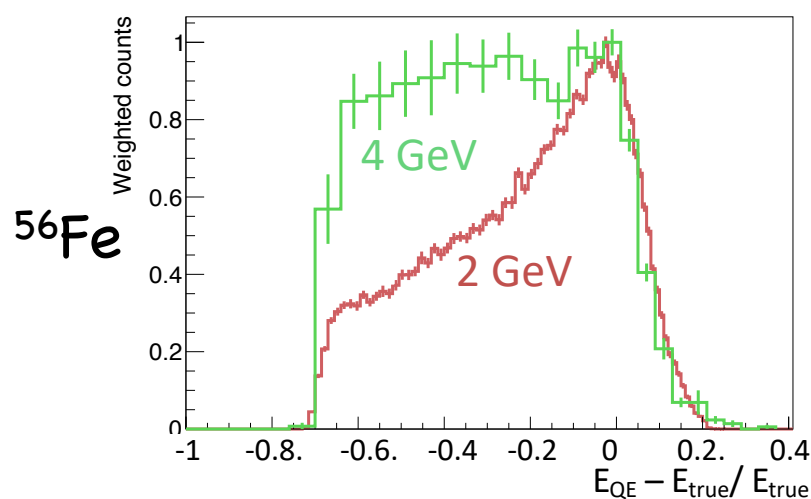
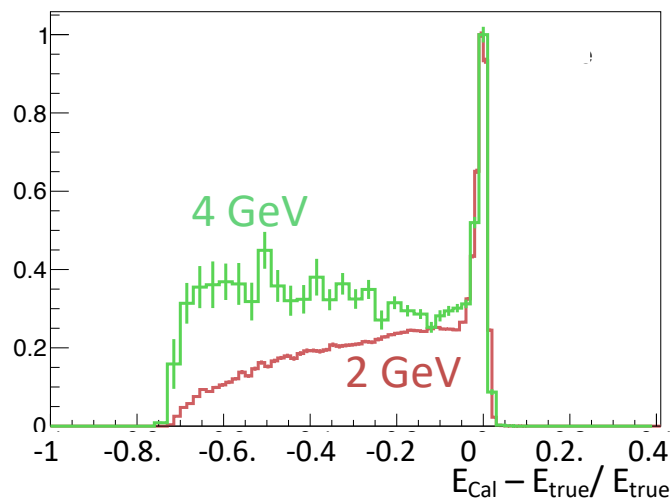
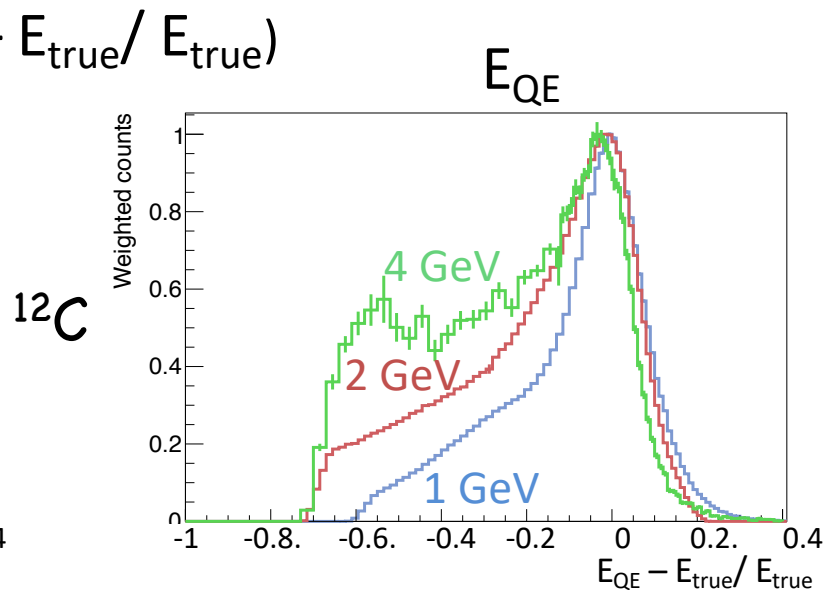
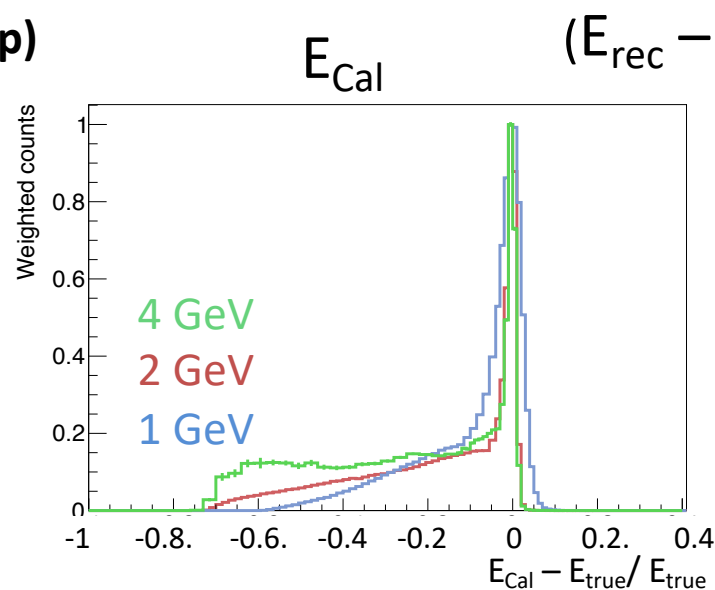


1.  $E_{\text{QE}}$  has worse peak resolution than  $E_{\text{Cal}}$ .
2. Same tail for  $E_{\text{QE}}$  and  $E_{\text{Cal}}$ .
3.  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  is predominantly tail.
4.  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  is much worse than  $^4\text{He}$ .

# Energy reconstruction: E Dependence

## Fractional energy feed down

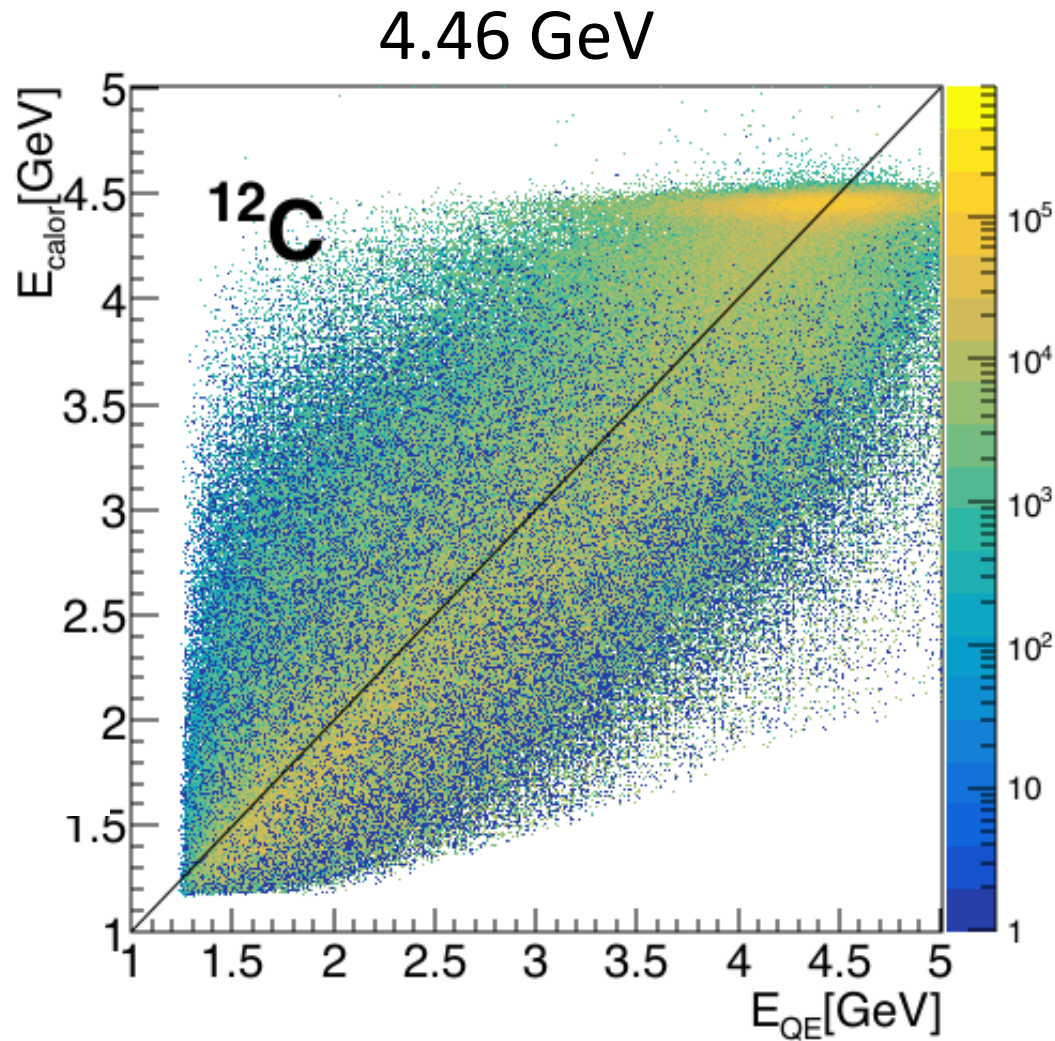
(e,e'p)



Better reconstruction at lower energies.

# Energy reconstruction: method dependence

Agreement between two methods doesn't imply correct energy reconstruction.



# Reconstruction accuracy

|                  | 1.1 GeV     |                | 2.2 GeV     |                | 4.4 GeV     |                |
|------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
|                  | $E_{QE} 1e$ | $E_{cal} 1e1p$ | $E_{QE} 1e$ | $E_{cal} 1e1p$ | $E_{QE} 1e$ | $E_{cal} 1e1p$ |
| $^3\text{He}$    | 47          | 72             | 32          | 54             | 25          | 44             |
| $^4\text{He}$    |             |                | 24          | 47             | 18          | 36             |
| $^{12}\text{C}$  | 33          | 55             | 20          | 39             | 21          | 28             |
| $^{56}\text{Fe}$ |             |                | 16          | 26             | 16          | 16             |

$E_{rec}$  conclusions:  
1)  $E_{cal}$  better than  $E_{QE}$

% of events reconstructed to within 5% of  $E_{beam}$

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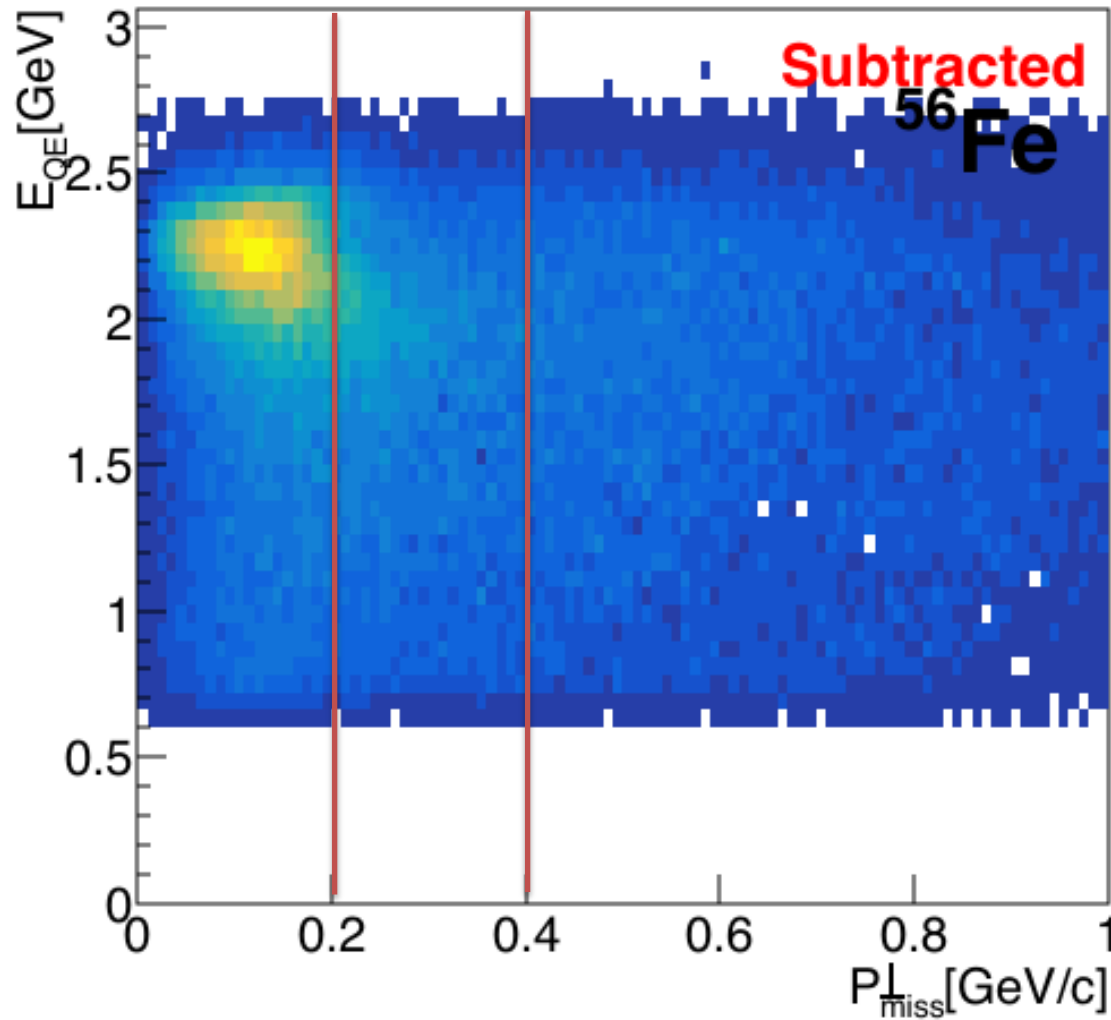
$E_{rec}$  conclusions:

- 1)  $E_{cal}$  better than  $E_{QE}$
- 2) Degrades with E
- 3) Degrades with A
- 4) Never very good

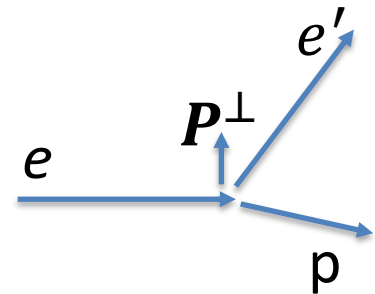
Only 16 to 55% of events reconstruct to within 5% of beam energy  
(for nuclei similar to those used in neutrino detectors).

## How do we do better?

2.2 GeV  $^{56}\text{Fe}$

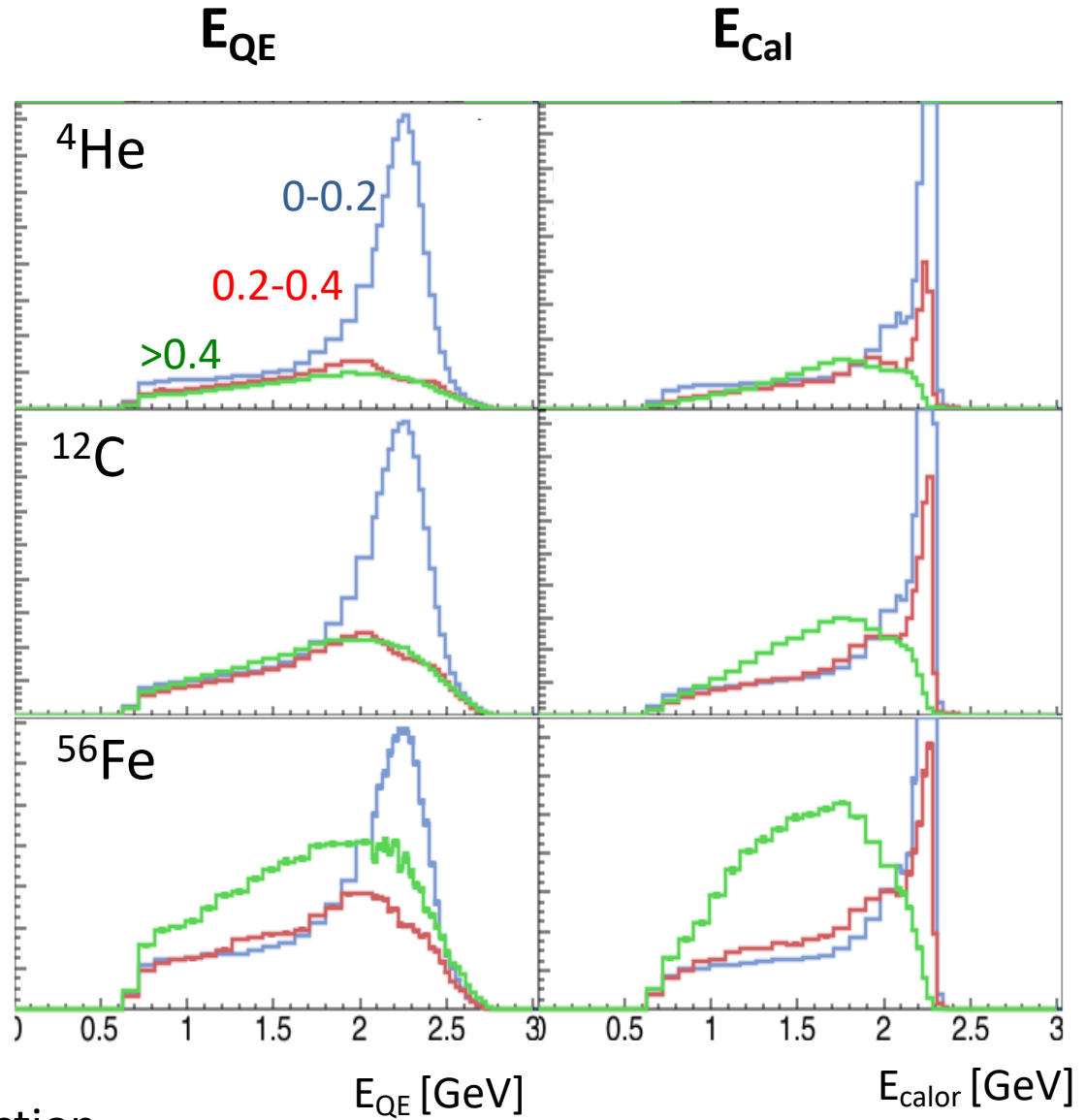
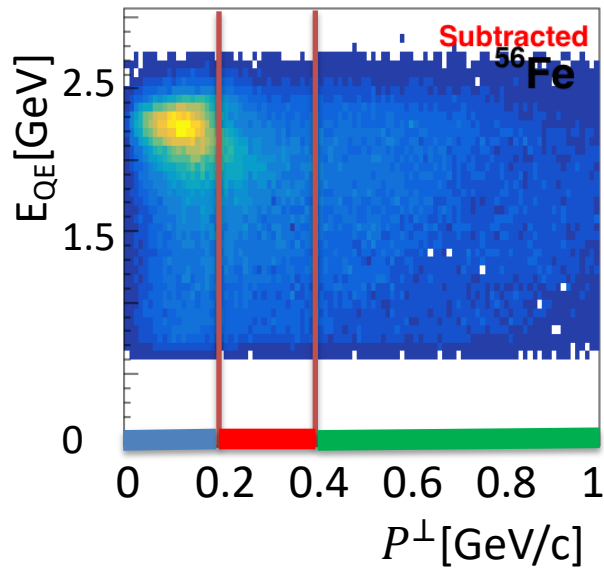


$$P^\perp = P_{e^-}^\perp + P_p^\perp = P_{\text{init}}^\perp$$



# $P_{\text{miss}}^{\perp}$ slices

2.2 GeV



Large  $P_{\text{miss}}^{\perp} \rightarrow$  bad reconstruction.

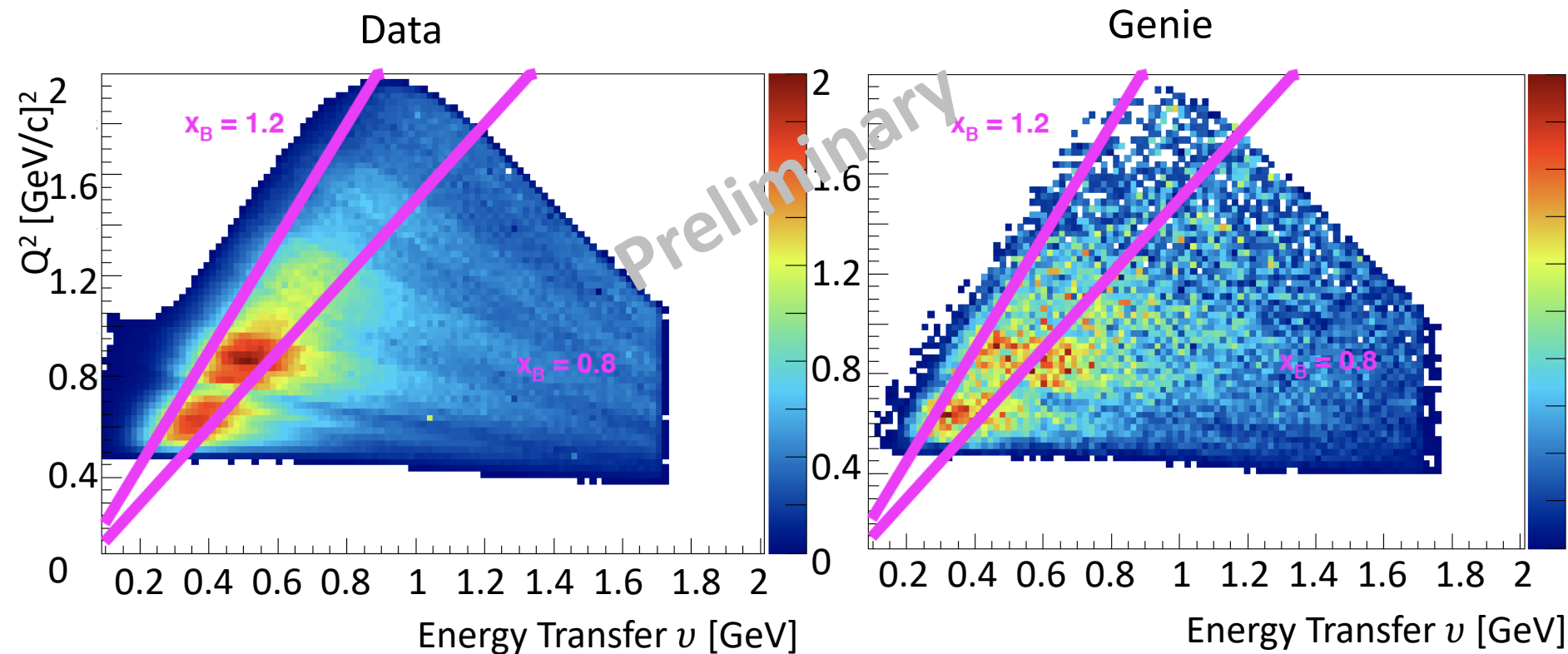
# Sources of uncertainty

- Statistical uncertainty is shown by error bars.
- Uncertainties of the weights for subtraction of undetected  $\pi$  and protons.
  - ✧ Systematic uncertainty due to the  $\phi$ -dependence of the pion cross section modeled and found to be negligible (less than 1%).
  - ✧ Rotate  $(e, e'\pi)$  events enough times to reduce statistical uncertainty below 1%.
  - ✧ Systematic uncertainty due to imperfect description of the geometrical acceptance.
  - ✧ Systematic uncertainty due to  $\gamma$  ID (missing  $\gamma$ s and n contamination).

| E [GeV] | Uncertainty due to |                        |                    |                 |
|---------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|         | $\phi$ dep.        | $\#(e, e'\pi)$<br>rot. | Imperf.<br>accept. | $\gamma$ ID cut |
| 1.1     | 1%                 | 1%                     | 0.8%               | 0.1%            |
| 2.2     | 1%                 | 1%                     | 1.2%               | 0.5%            |
| 4.4     | 1%                 | 1%                     | 4%                 | 2%              |

# $0\pi$ Data – Generator Comparisons

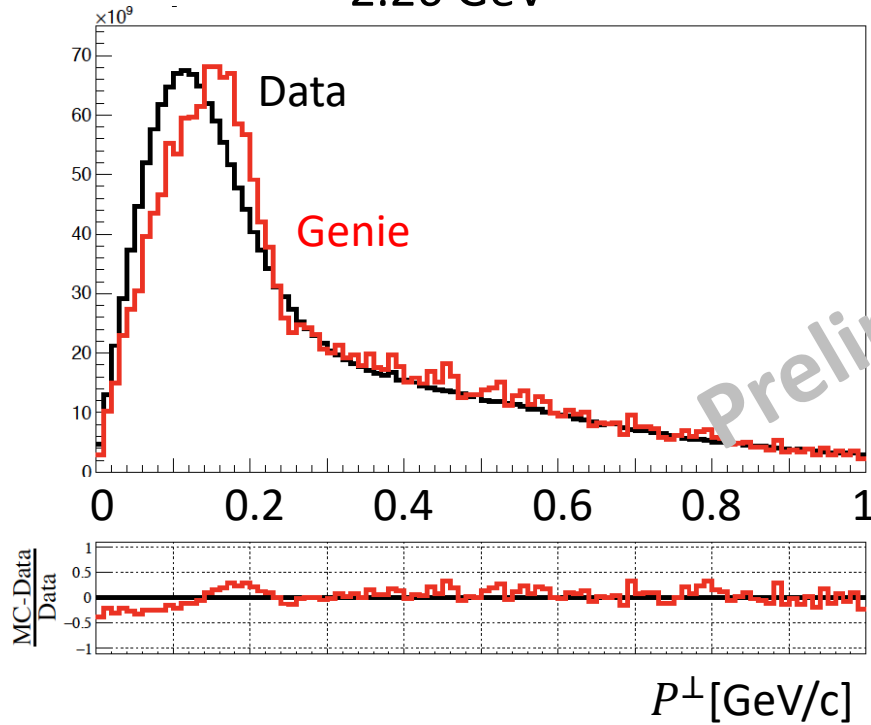
C(e,e'p) 2.26 GeV



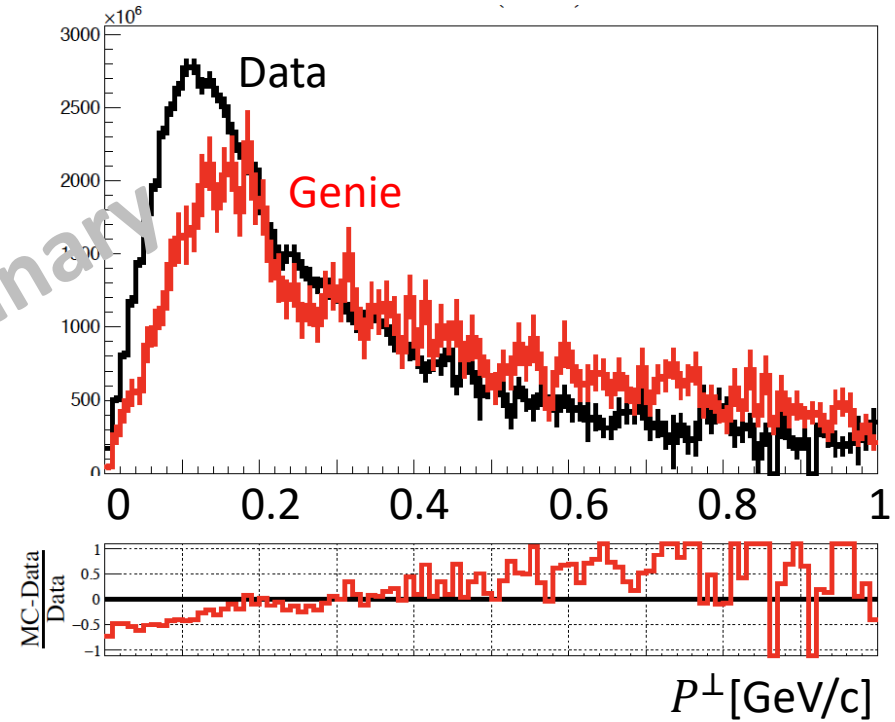
# $0\pi$ Data vs Genie

$C(e,e'p)$

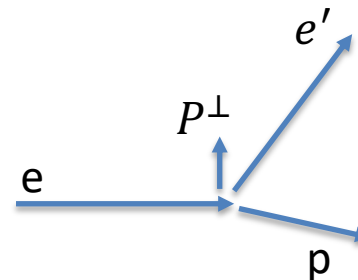
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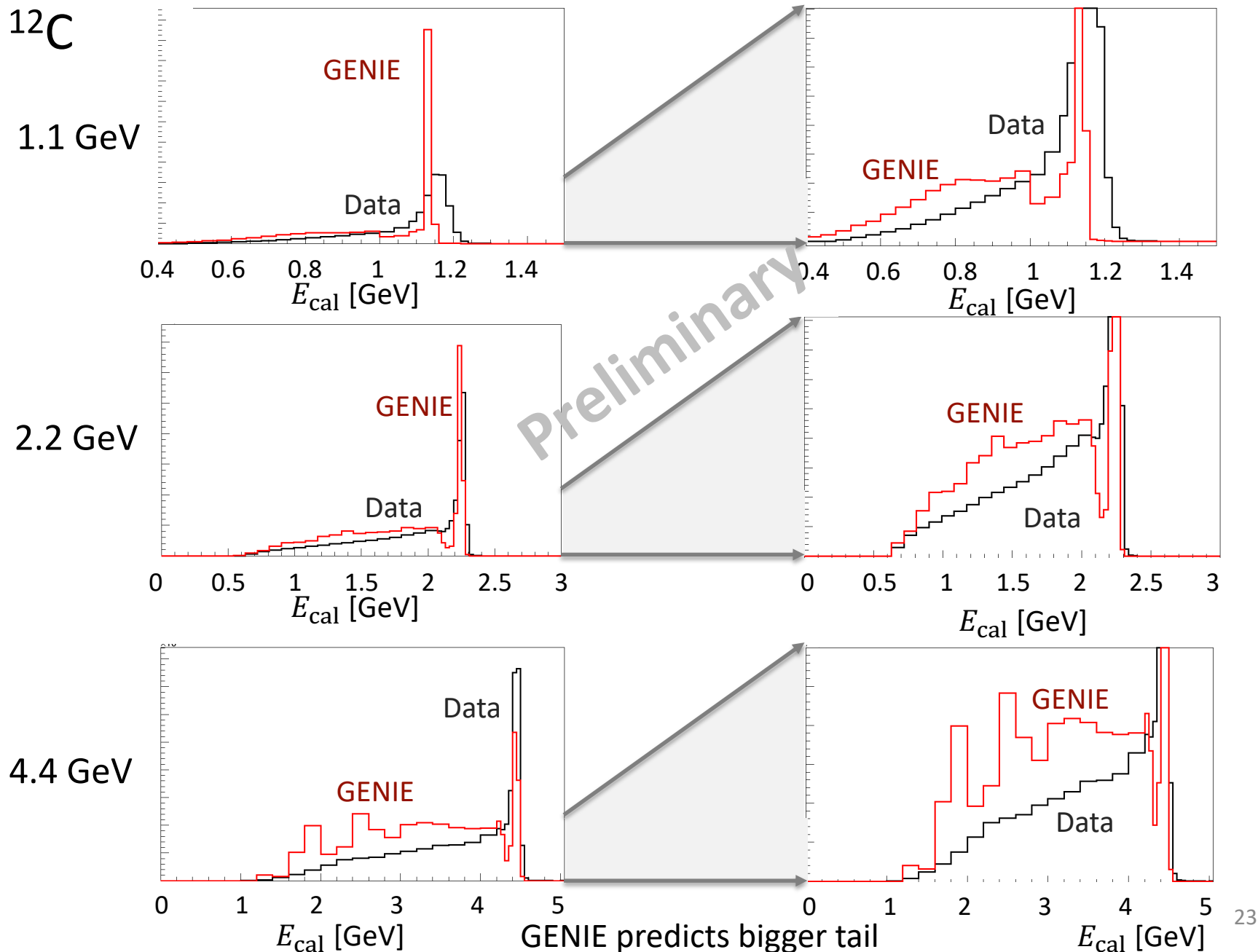
4.46 GeV



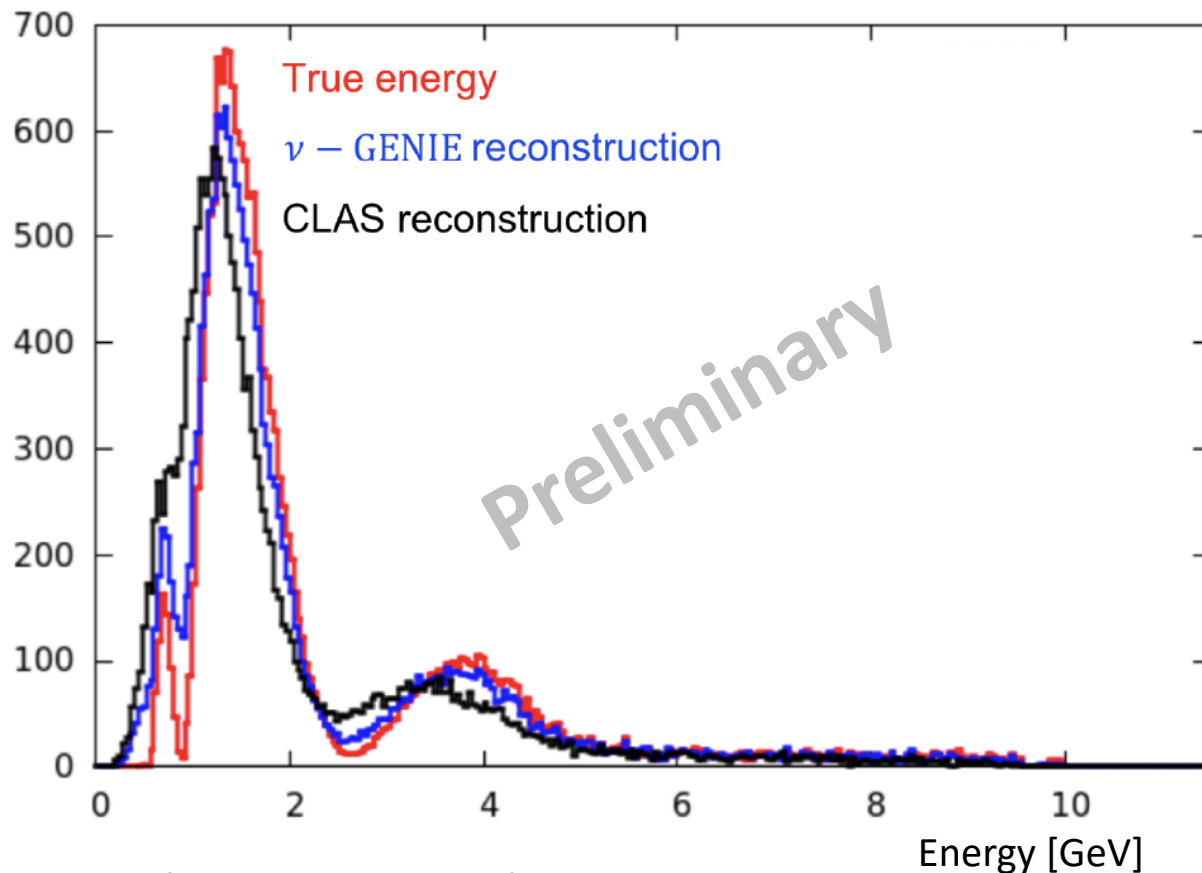
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# Data vs Genie: $E_{\text{beam}}$ Reconstruction



# Potential impact on DUNE oscillation analysis

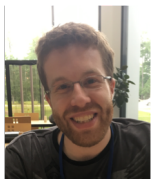
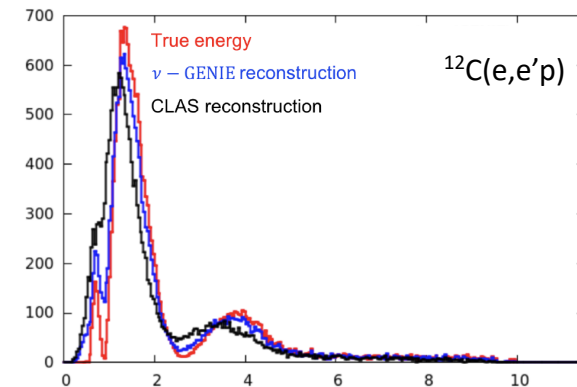


- Compare  $E_{rec}$  for  $e^{12}\text{C}$  to  $E_{rec}$  for  $\nu^{12}\text{C}$
- Used 1.1, 2.2 and 4.4 GeV  $e^{12}\text{C}$   $E_{rec}$  and interpolated linearly between the energies to get  $E_{rec}$  at all incident energies
- Threw events with  $\nu^{12}\text{C}$  Genie
- Reconstruct with  $\nu^{12}\text{C}$  Genie or  $e^{12}\text{C}$  data

-> Very different  
oscillation parameters!

# Summary

1. The first use of electron data to test neutrino energy reconstruction algorithms:
  - select zero-pion events to enhance quasi-elastic signal
    - ✧ Subtract for undetected  $\pi$  and extra p.
  - just using scattered lepton ( $E_{QE}$ )
    - ✧ used in Cherenkov-type neutrino detectors
  - total energy of electron plus proton ( $E_{Cal}$ )
    - ✧ used in calorimetric neutrino detectors
2. Only 0.16-0.55 of events reconstruct to within 5% of the beam energy:
  - better for lighter nuclei and lower energies
  - improved by a transverse momentum cut
  - agreement between two methods does not imply accurate energy reconstruction.
3. There is a discrepancy between energy reconstruction from e-Genie and data.
4. Probable significant impact on oscillation analysis of proposed \$1.5B DUNE experiment.
5. Inspired upcoming “Electrons for Neutrinos” experiment .
6. CLAS analysis review complete.
7. Paper submission soon.



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# Phi dependence

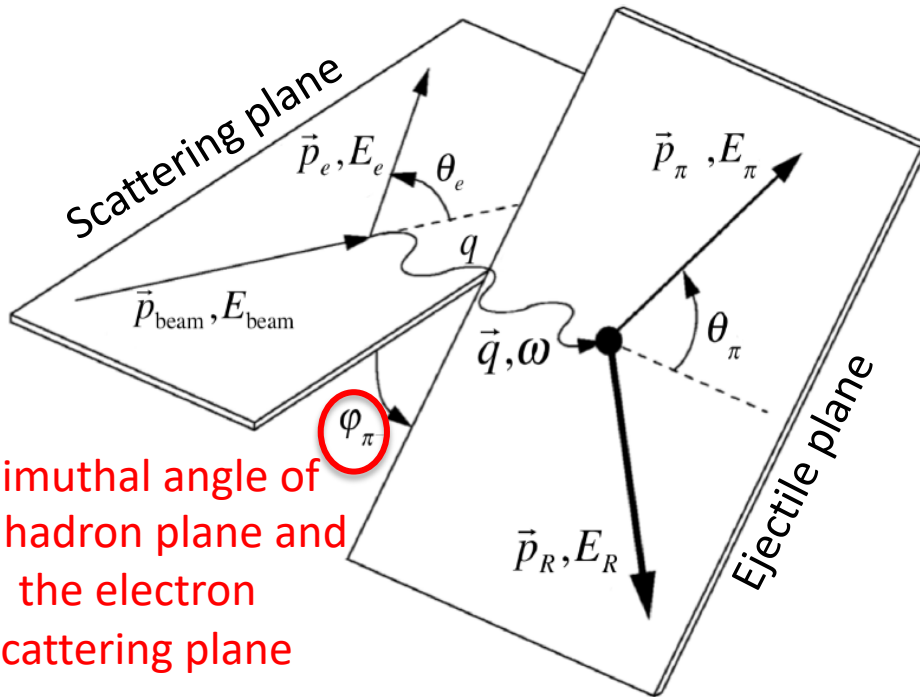
Cross section for unpolarized pion electroproduction on a single nucleon:

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dW dQ^2 d\Omega_\pi^*} = J\Gamma_\nu (A + B\cos\varphi_\pi + C\cos 2\varphi_\pi)$$

$$A = (\sigma_T + \epsilon\sigma_L) \frac{p_\pi^*}{k_\gamma^*}$$

$$B = \sigma_{LT} \frac{p_\pi^*}{k_\gamma^*} \sin\theta_\pi \sqrt{2\epsilon(\epsilon + 1)}$$

$$C = \sigma_{TT} \frac{p_\pi^*}{k_\gamma^*} \sin^2\theta_\pi \epsilon$$



Azimuthal angle of  
the hadron plane and  
the electron  
scattering plane

$$W = \sqrt{M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2} \quad k_\gamma = \frac{W^2 - M^2}{2M} \quad k_\gamma^* = \frac{k_\gamma M}{W} \quad \epsilon = \frac{1}{1 + 2\left(1 + \frac{\nu^2}{Q^2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)}$$

Where  $p_\pi^*$ ,  $\theta_\pi$  and  $\varphi_\pi$  are the momentum, scattering and azimuthal angles of the  $\pi^0$  in the CM frame. Jacobian  $J = \partial(Q^2, W) / \partial(E', \cos\theta_e, \theta_e)$ ,  $\Gamma_\nu$  is virtual photon flux.

# Phi dependence

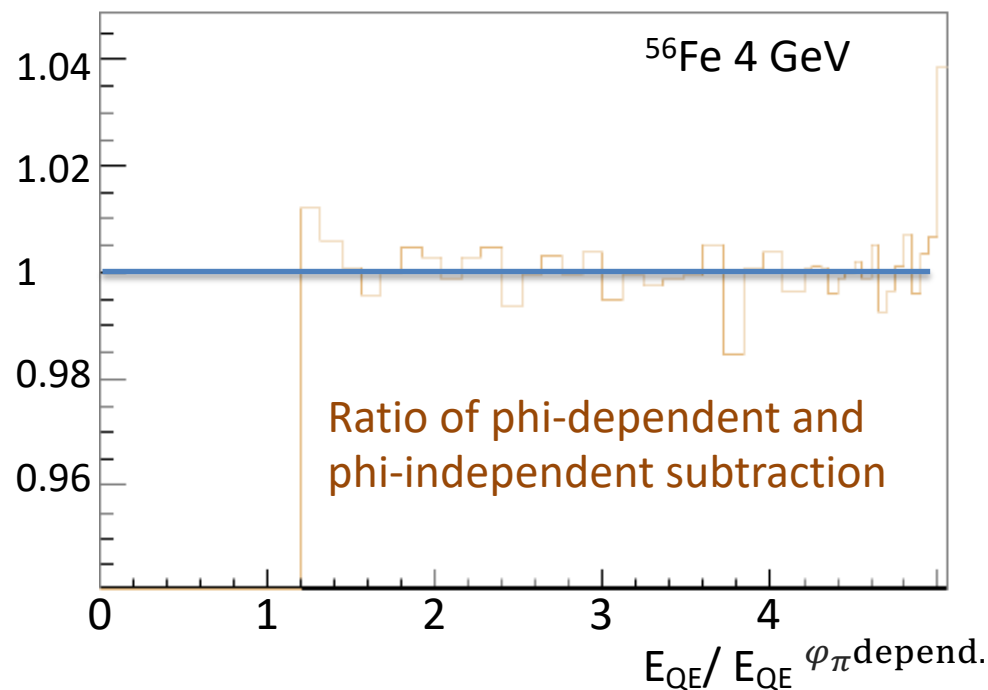
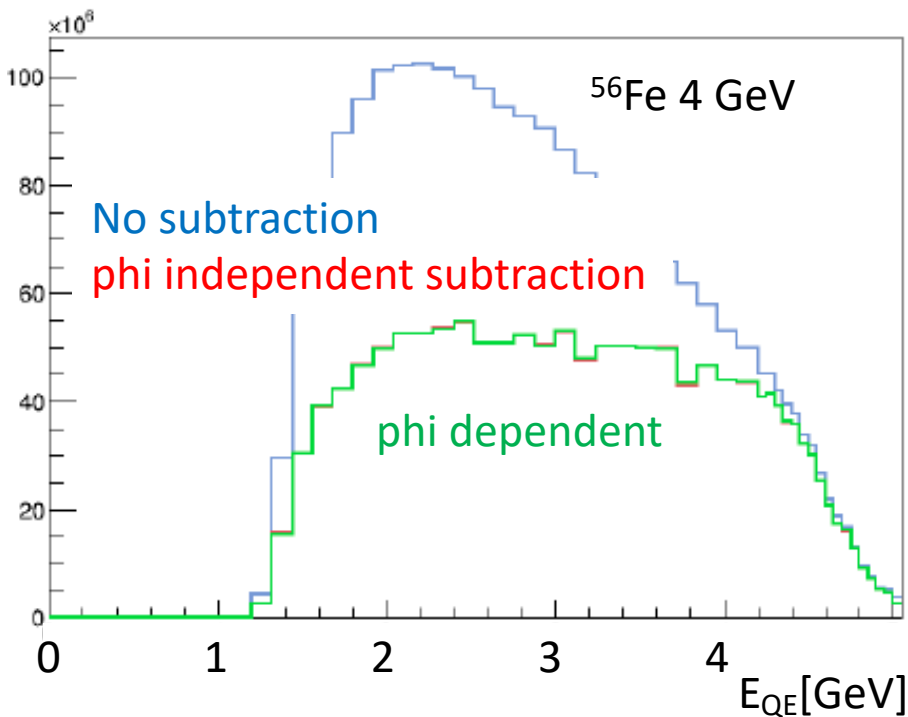
Weight without  $\varphi_\pi$  dependence

$$W = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{Undet}} 1}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{Det}} 1}$$

Weight with  $\varphi_\pi$  dependence

$$W = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{Undet}} 1 + \frac{B}{A} \cos \varphi_\pi + \frac{C}{A} \cos 2\varphi_\pi}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{Det}} 1 + \frac{B}{A} \cos \varphi_\pi + \frac{C}{A} \cos 2\varphi_\pi}$$

Subtracting for undetected one  $\pi$  events in  $^{56}\text{Fe}(e,e')$  4 GeV analysis



Negligible phi dependence!