

Machine learning and high-performance computing for neutrino oscillations

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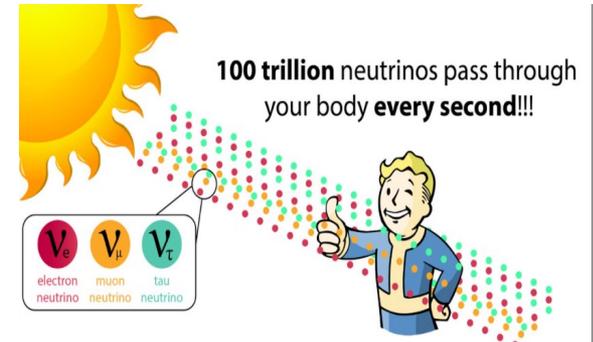
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Neutrinos

- **Neutrinos** are **light subatomic particles**.
 - They are present since the **origin of the Universe**.
 - They are the **second most abundant particle in the Universe**, after photons.
- There are **three** types of neutrinos (and their corresponding antineutrinos), known as **flavours**.
 - **Electron neutrino (ν_e)**, **muon neutrino (ν_μ)**, and **tau neutrino (ν_τ)**.
 - They differ in the way they interact with other particles.
- **Neutrinos oscillate***, meaning that they can change their flavour.
 - A neutrino generated with a specific flavour can later be measured to have a different flavour.



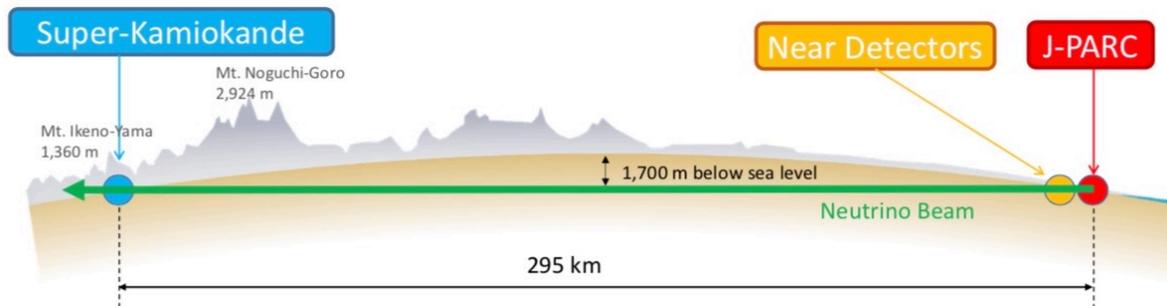
**2015 Nobel Prize in Physics. Takaaki Kajita, Art McDonald:
"For the discovery of **neutrino oscillations**, which shows that neutrinos have mass."*

Mystery of neutrinos

- Neutrinos are **elementary particles** belonging to the **Standard Model (SM) of particle physics**.
- The SM is one of the **most successful theories in physics**.
 - It can be used to explain most of the experimental observations.
 - However, it **cannot explain the phenomenon of neutrino oscillations**.
- Neutrinos can be the **key to discover physics beyond the SM**.
 - Current measurements do not explain why the Universe is matter-dominated.
 - The difference in how matter and antimatter particles interact is known as *CP*-violation.
 - It is possible that neutrinos and antineutrinos oscillate differently, and a **discovery of *CP*-violation in neutrino oscillations could be the catalyst to understanding the matter-antimatter asymmetry of the Universe**.

Neutrino oscillation experiments

- **Long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiments** use two detectors to characterise a beam of (anti)neutrinos.
 - A **near detector**, located a few hundred metres away from the target that determines the original beam composition.
 - A **far detector**, located several hundred kilometres away, that measures neutrinos flavour oscillations.
- Example: the T2K experiment in Japan.



Source: <https://www.t2k-experiment.org/t2k/>

Some open challenges in neutrino physics

- **Maximise the CP -violation sensitivity:** efficiently identify the signal interactions and have a powerful rejection of background events.
 - **Precise algorithms** are needed to achieve very high signal efficiency and background rejection for event classification.
- **Reconstruct particle tracks** that are detectable in fine-grained detectors.
 - It is necessary to develop **mechanisms to fit and categorise** the different 3D hits, so most of the ambiguities can be identified and rejected.
- **Reduce the gap between simulated and experimental data.**
 - The detector design and optimisation are always guided by accurate and computationally-expensive simulations of the detector behaviour.
 - **Ensuring the robustness of algorithms** against systematic uncertainties becomes a fundamental requirement.

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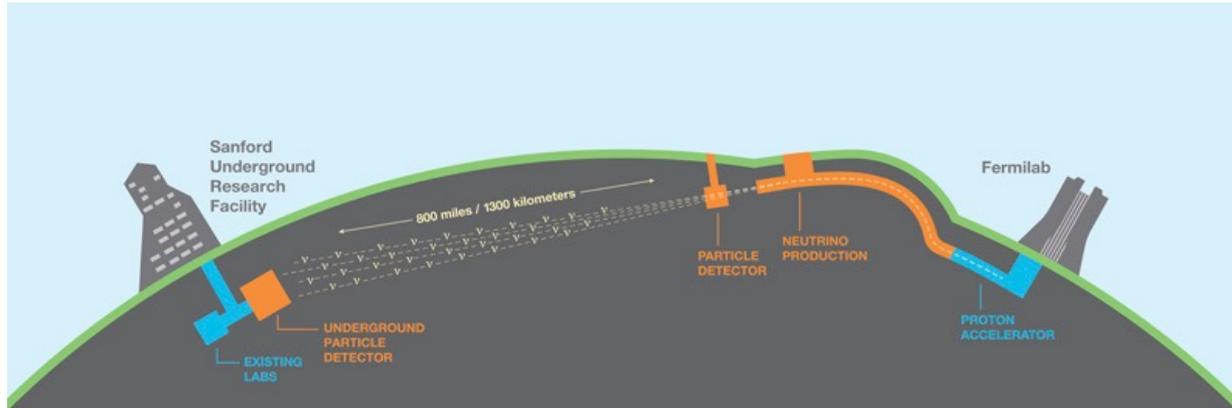
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The DUNE experiment

- The Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (**DUNE**) is a **next-generation neutrino oscillation experiment**.



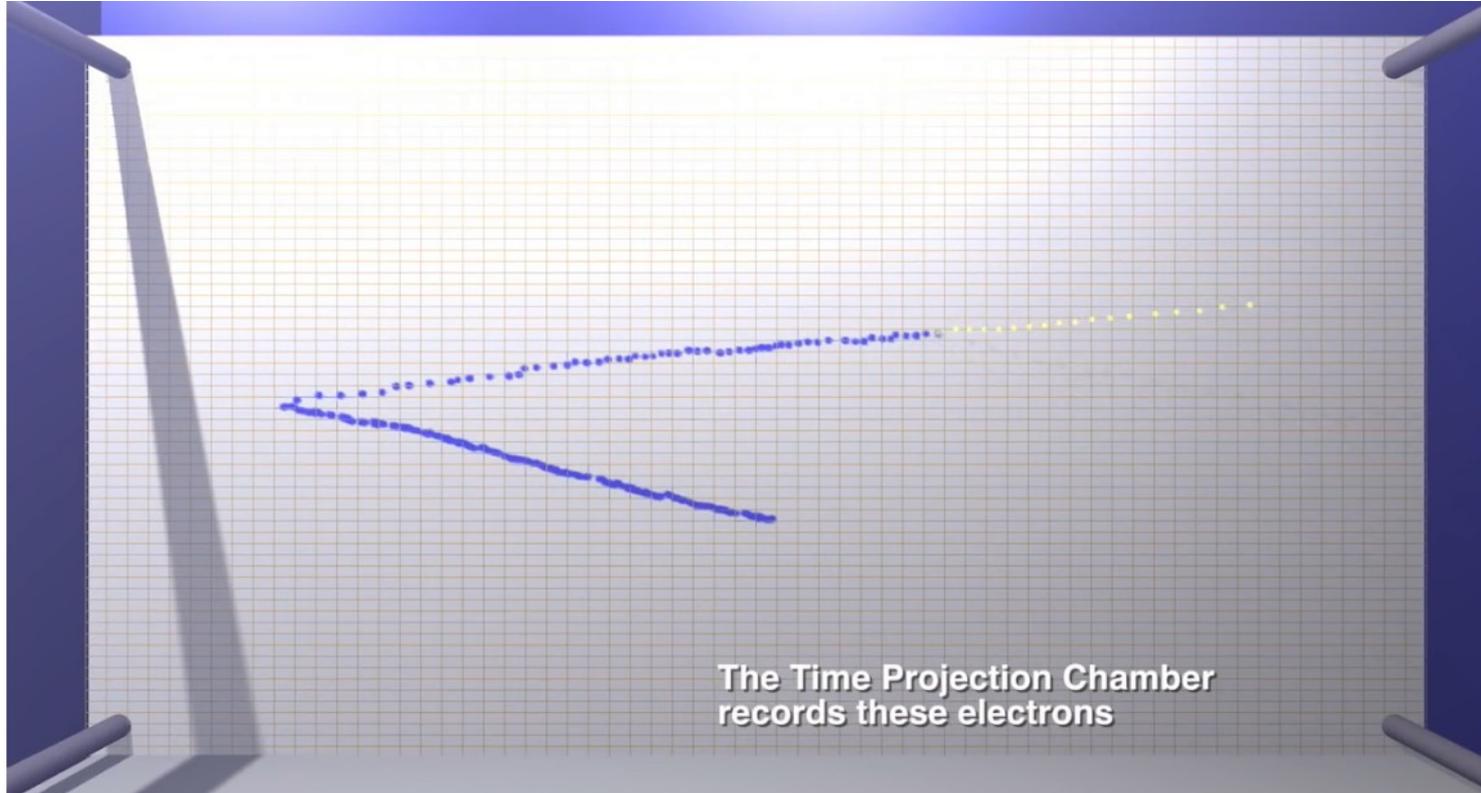
Source: <https://www.dunescience.org/>

- The far detector is 1300 kilometres from the neutrino beam source.
 - It will consist of four 10 kt **LArTPC detectors**.
- Look for the appearance of electron (anti)neutrinos at the far detector.
 - **Measure CP-violation**.



LArTPC

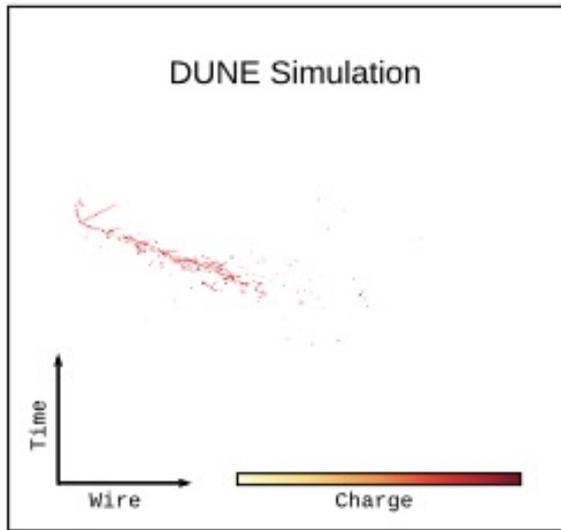
- Liquid-Argon Time Projection Chamber (LArTPC).
 - This provides “images” of each neutrino interaction.



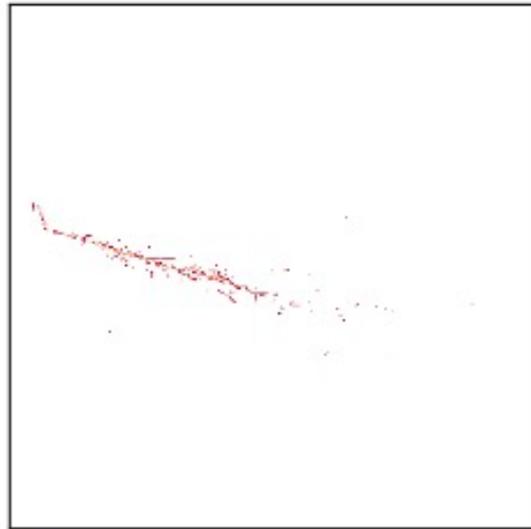
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Far detector data

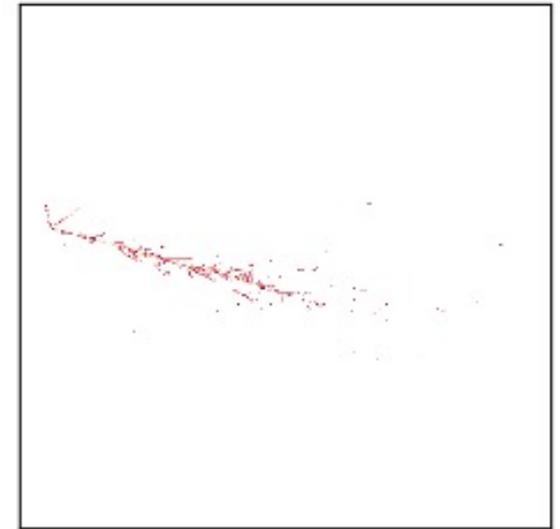
- The Far Detectors contain three wire readout planes.
 - This provides three “images” of each neutrino interaction.
- Official simulated electron neutrino interaction (signal).



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induction plane (U)

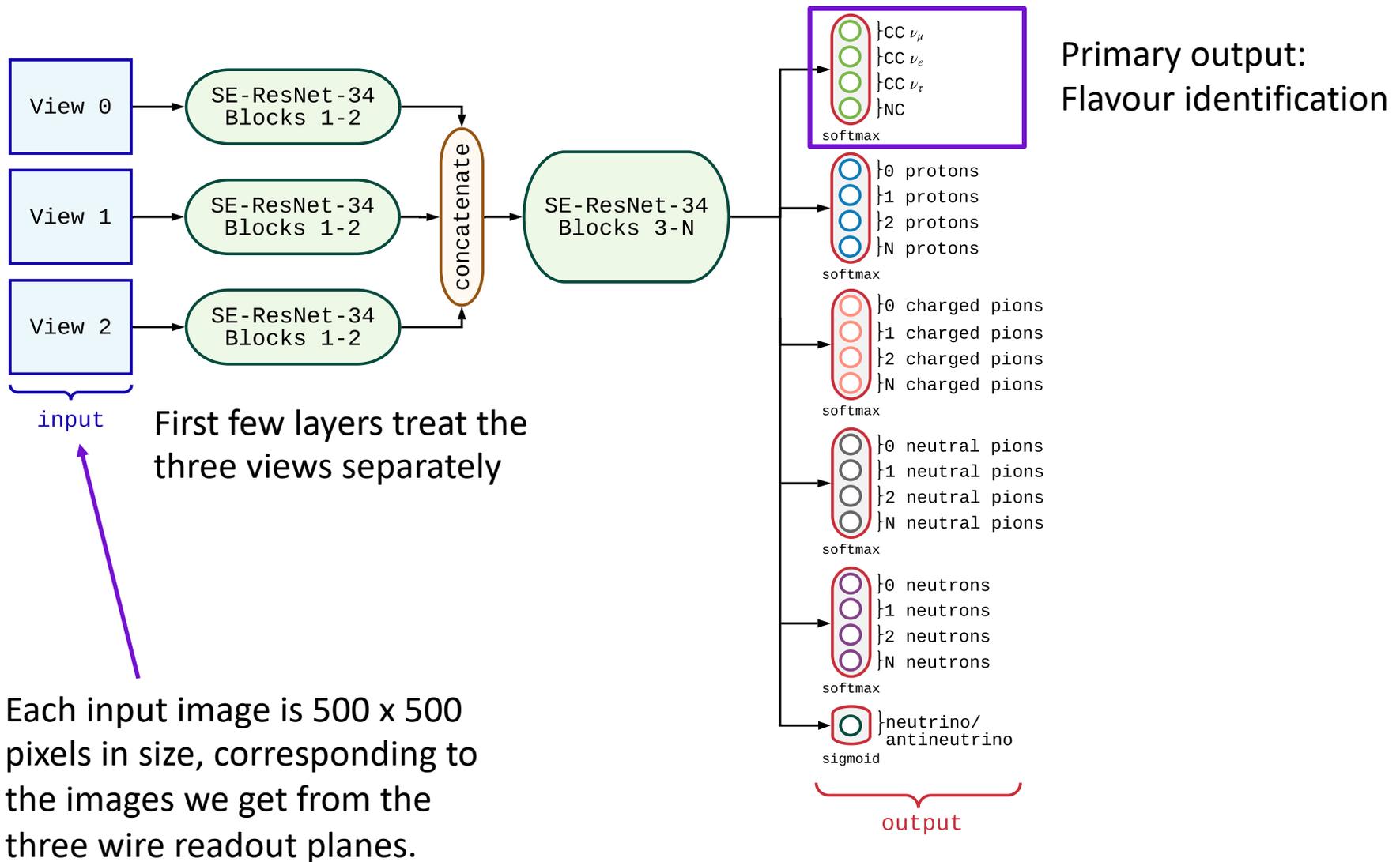


(b) View 1:
induction plane (V)

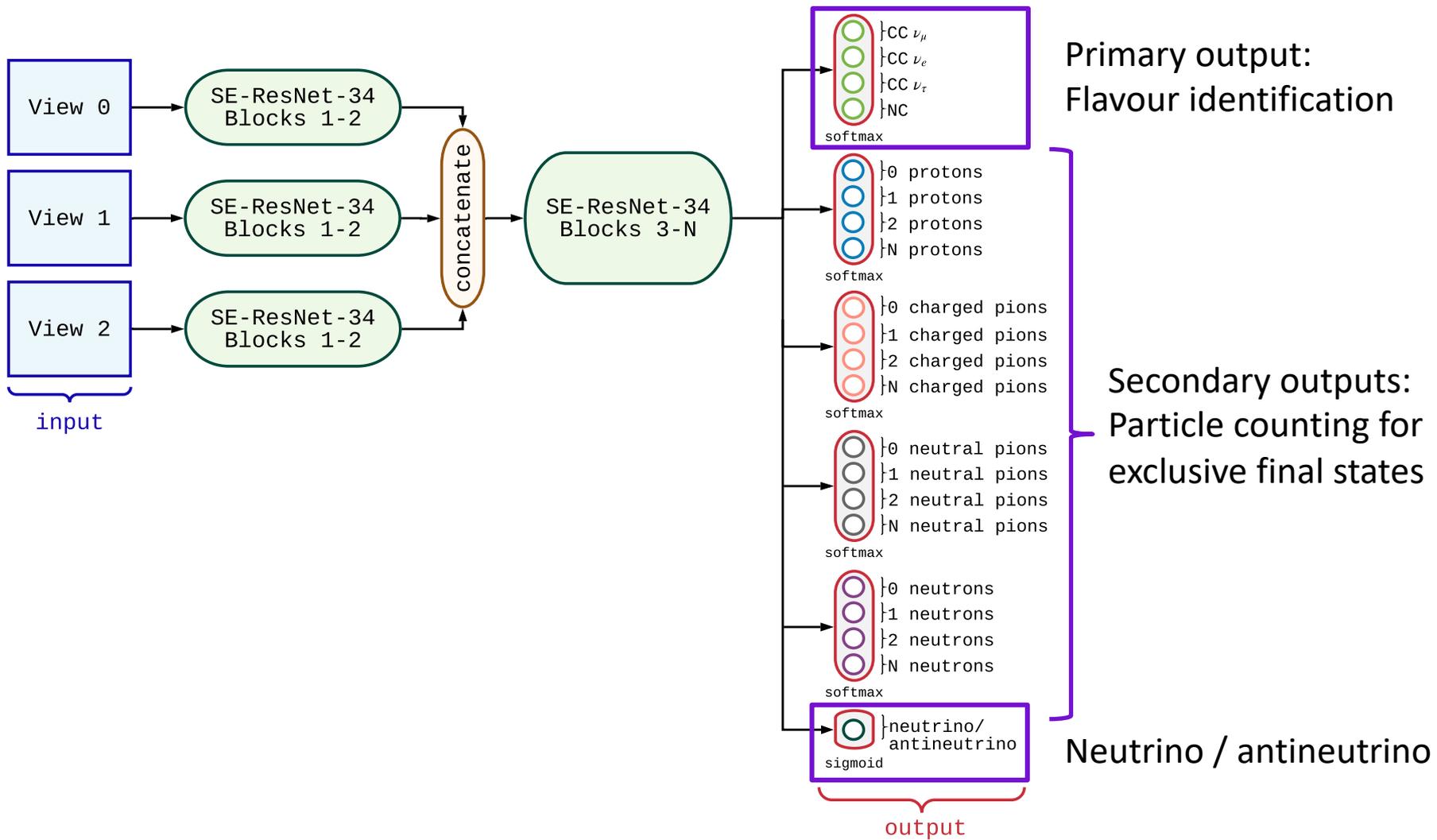


(c) View 2:
collection plane (Y)

DUNE CVN overview (2018)



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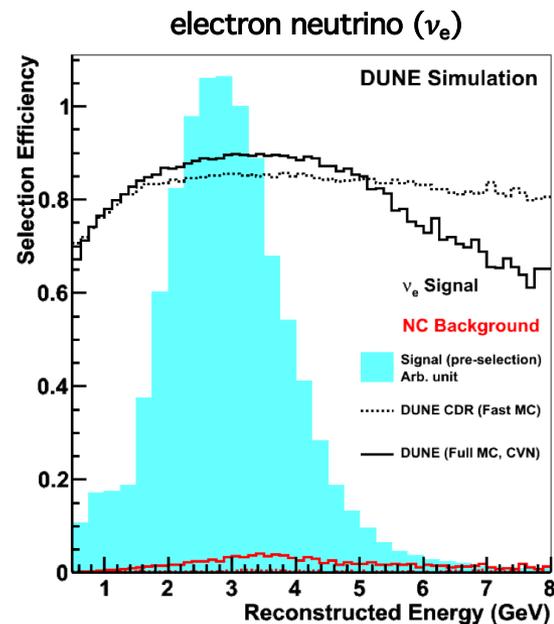
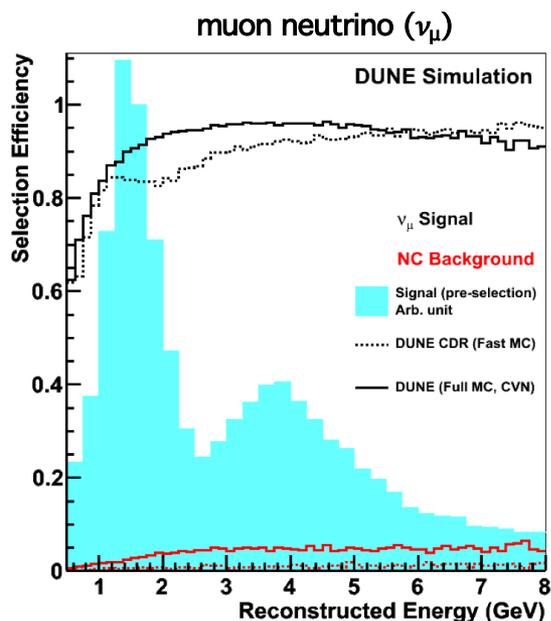


Training and using the CVN

- Training details:
 - Use ~10M images of simulated neutrino interactions.
 - Tested on a fully independent sample (also ~10M images).
 - Trained for 15 epochs on 8 NVIDIA Tesla V100 GPUs, using Keras on top of TensorFlow (recently moved to TF2.0).
 - SGD as optimiser; mini-batch size of 64 events, learning rate of 0.1, weight decay of 0.0001, and momentum of 0.9.
 - Small data release of the code is available at <https://github.com/DUNE/dune-cvn>.
- Publication: *B. Abi et al. (DUNE Collaboration), "Neutrino interaction classification with a convolutional neural network in the DUNE far detector", ISSN: 2470-0029.*
 - <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.102.092003>.
- The **primary output results** (flavour) were **used in the official DUNE neutrino oscillation sensitivity analyses**.
 - DUNE Technical Design Report (TDR): [arXiv:2002.03005](https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.03005).
 - DUNE Long-baseline (LBL) analysis: <https://doi.org/EPJC/S10052-020-08456-Z>.

Efficiencies

- Muon neutrinos:
 - Select all events that are more than 50% likely to be muon neutrinos.
 - **Over 90% selection efficiency** in the flux peak.
- Electron neutrinos:
 - Select all events that are more than 85% likely to be electron neutrinos.
 - **Over 90% selection efficiency** in the flux peak.



DUNE CP -violation sensitivity

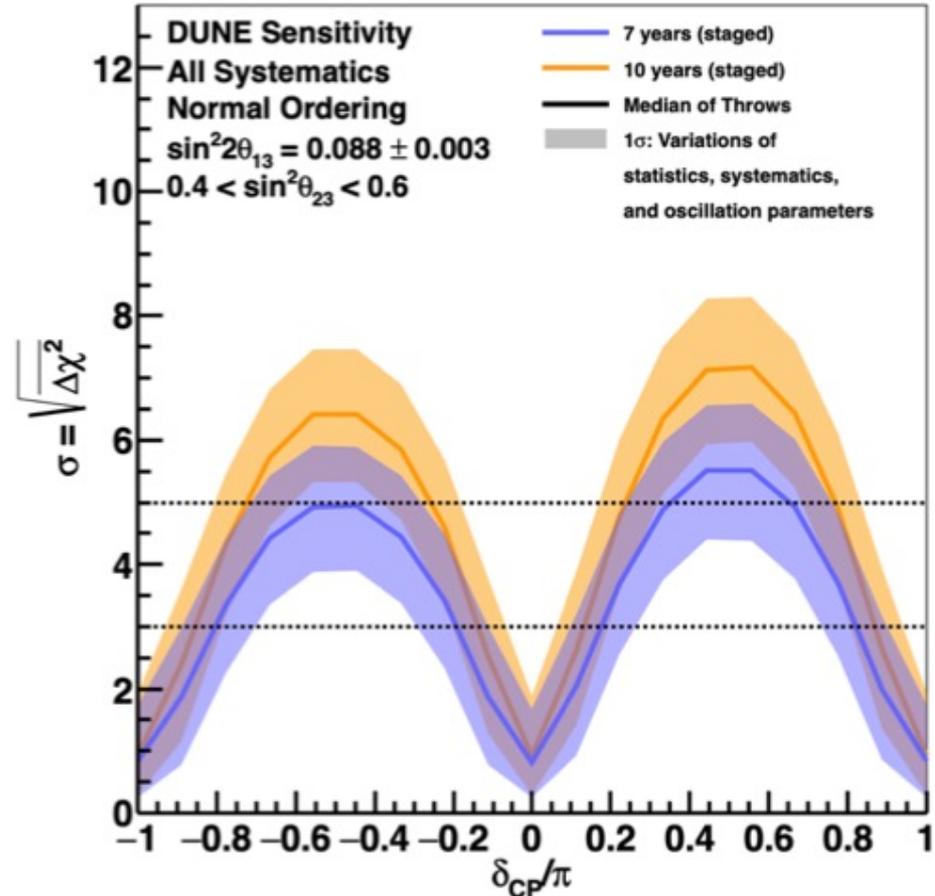
- Same selection criteria:
 - ν_e selection: $P(\nu_e) > 85\%$.
 - ν_μ selection: $P(\nu_\mu) > 50\%$.

- The solid lines show the median sensitivity.

- Results available at DUNE Long-baseline analysis article:

<https://doi.org/10.1140/ejpc/s10052-020-08456-z>

- Milestone for the experiment!



Light simulation using GANs

- Accurate simulations are critical to HEP experiments.
 - They are typically computationally expensive.
 - There is great interest in fast simulations.
- In the current **DUNE photon detector simulation**, the entire geometry is stored in memory.
 - The idea is to have higher resolution and cover a larger volume, both of which will make it impossibly large.
- The approach is to try the fast-simulation segment from our **Model-Assisted GAN** (MAGAN) to speed things up.
 - Modification of a Generative adversarial network (GAN); details in backup.
 - S. Alonso-Monsalve and L. H. Whitehead, "Image-Based Model Parameter Optimization Using Model-Assisted Generative Adversarial Networks," in *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*, 2020. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1109/TNNLS.2020.2969327>.

Generative adversarial networks

- Generative adversarial networks (GANs) have been shown to produce fake images indistinguishable from true images.



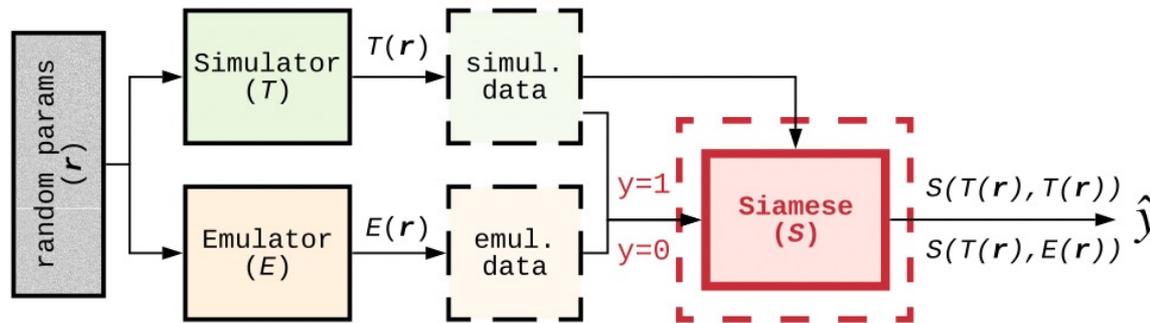
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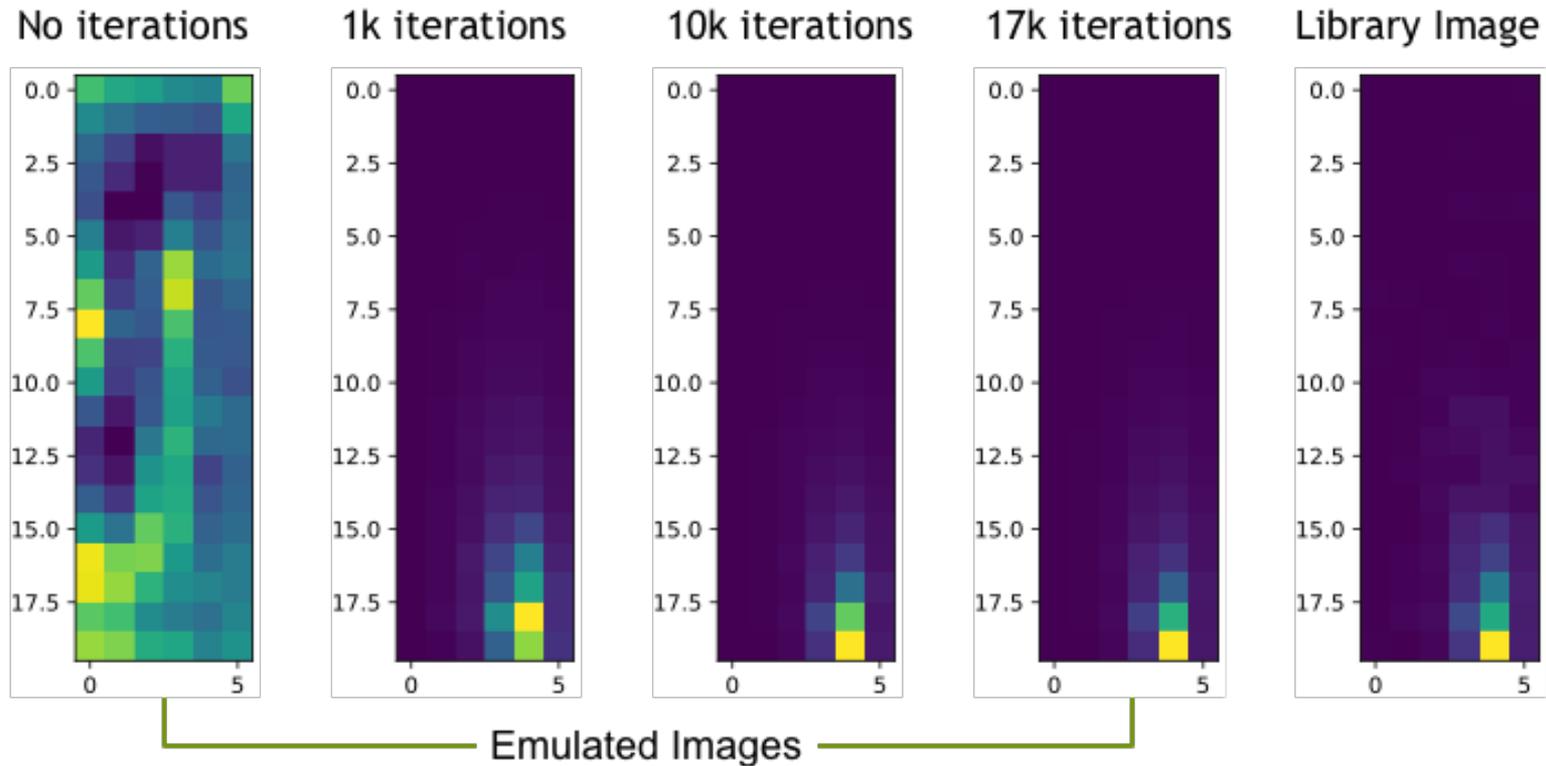
Application to the DUNE photon detector simulation (2019)

- The **goal is to learn the whole simulation using a GAN**.
- The model parameters are just (x,y,z) .
 - Output: photon detector system as a 20x6 pixel image, where each pixel gives the visibility of one photon detector.
- Trained on 3M images.
- Our implementation is similar to a conditional-GAN.
 - However, instead of using a standard discriminator, we use a Siamese network in order to make sure the true (simulated) and the fake (emulated) images are the same for the same input parameters.



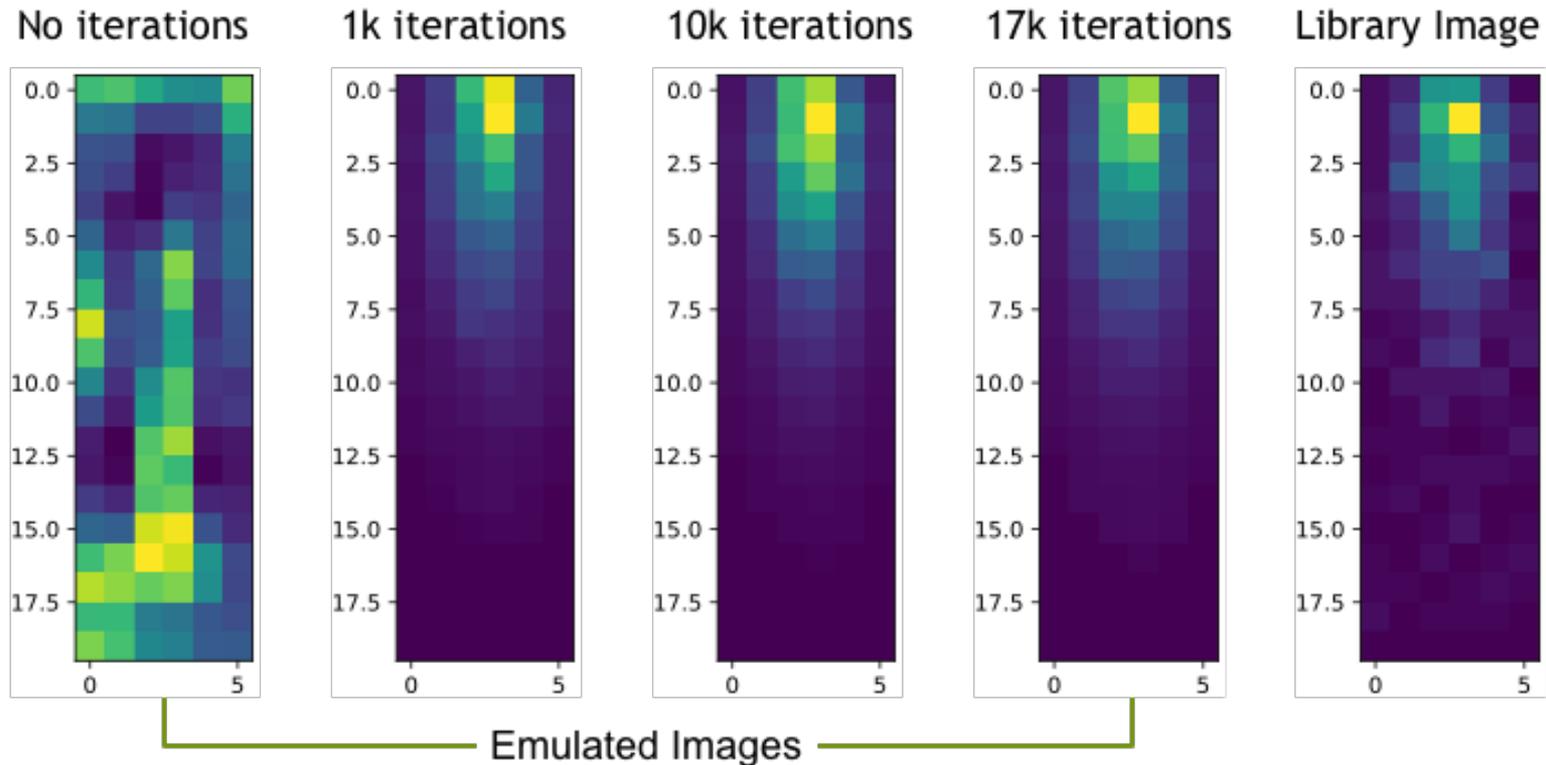
Example Image I

- We trained for roughly 17k iterations.



Example Image II

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- The simulation takes ~1 week to produce 1M images, while the GAN takes less than two minutes to produce the same number of images on a V100 GPU.

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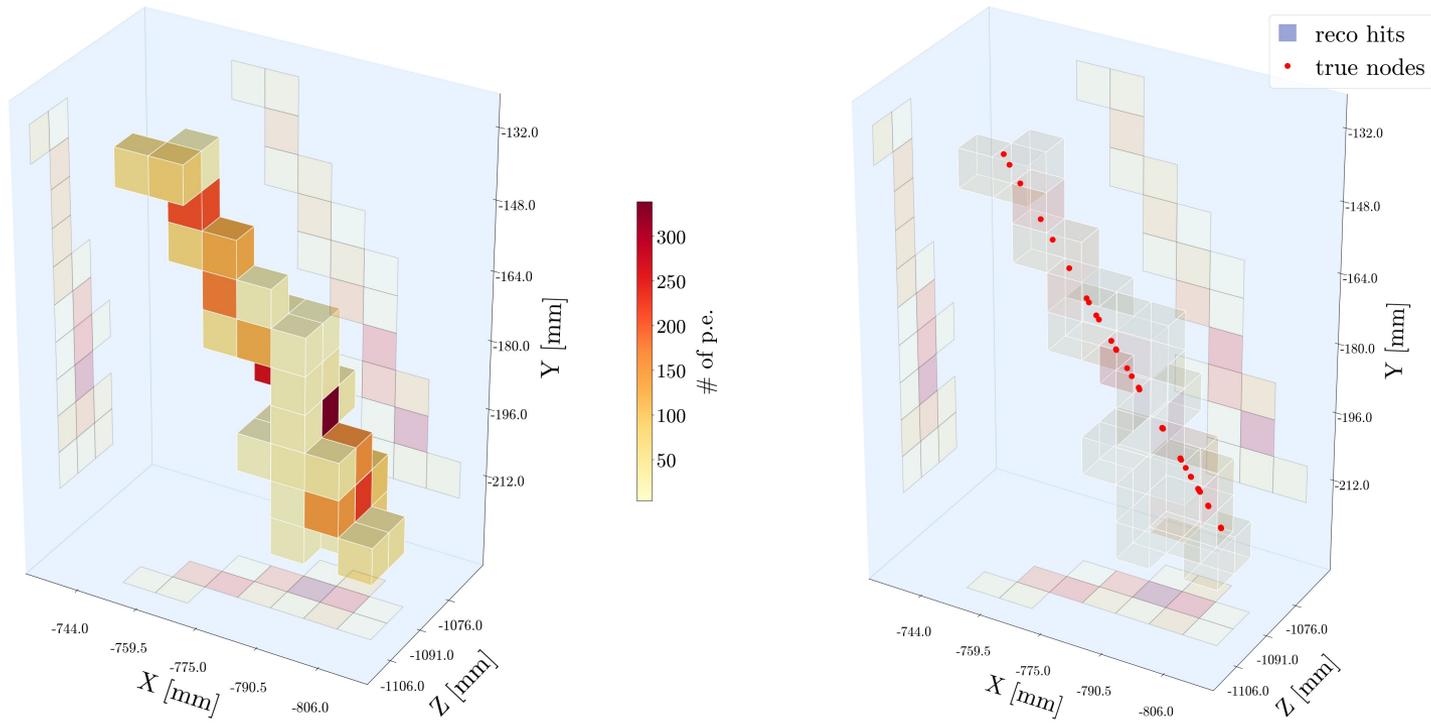
T2K

- **Tokai to Kamioka (T2K)** is a **long-baseline neutrino experiment in Japan**, and is studying neutrino oscillations.
- Super Kamiokande (far detector): very large cylinder of ultra-pure water, detects muon neutrino after oscillating.
- ND280 (near detector): measures the number of muon neutrinos in the beam before any oscillations occur and characterizes the physical properties of the beam.
 - In the near future, **an upgrade of the ND280 is planned.**



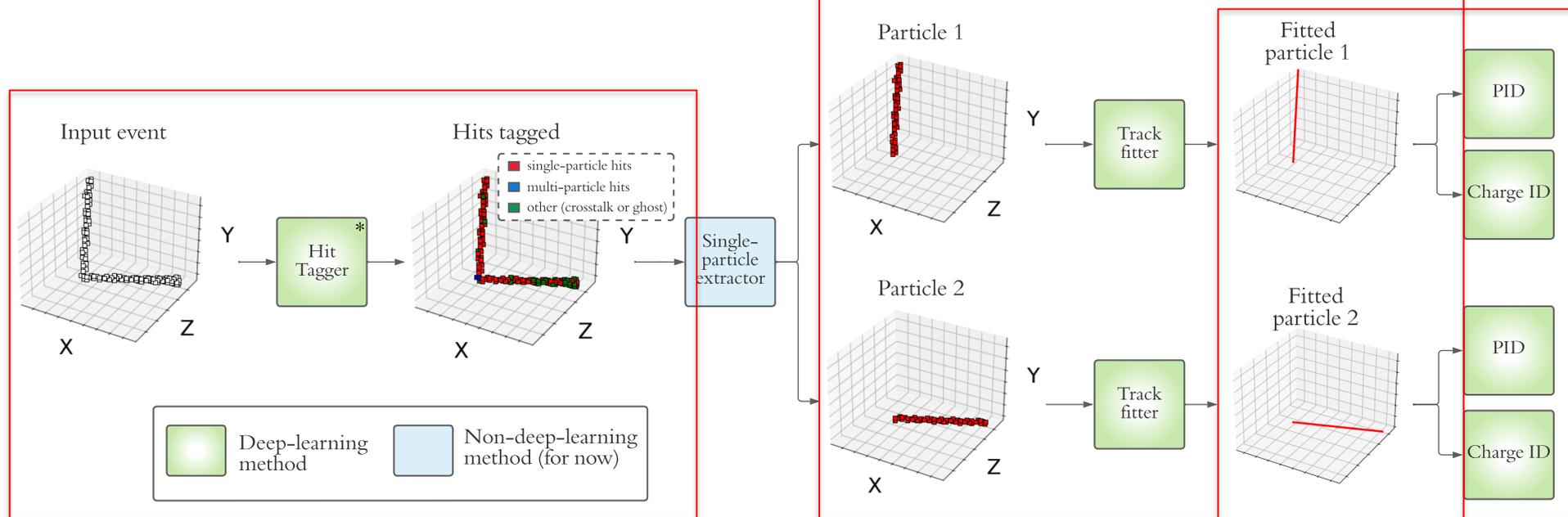
T2K's ND 280 upgrade: SuperFGD detector

- Full active fine-grained detector (FGD) with three views: SuperFGD.
 - Optically independent cubes: spatial localization of scintillation light.
 - Lower momentum threshold: 1 single hit gives immediately XYZ.
 - Example of a simulated muon neutrino:



Reconstruction-chain using deep learning

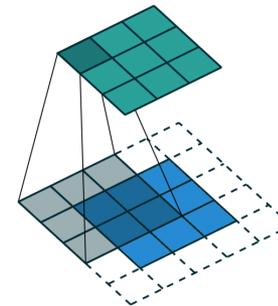
- Most steps of the **reconstruction** in the SFGD can be **done using deep learning**:
 - **Method 1**: Hit tagging (identify different kinds of hits).
 - **Method 2**: Track fitting (adjust the particle trajectory)
 - **Method 3**: Identify the particle and the charge.
- The algorithms are implemented in PyTorch and run on an NVIDIA A100 GPU.



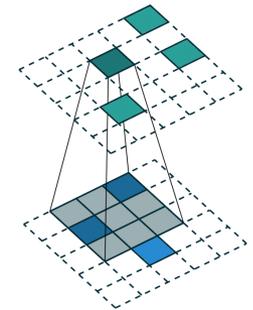
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- Using a sparse U-Net-based neural network architecture.
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 - Standard CNNs are very inefficient when applied to sparse data.**

Dense convolution



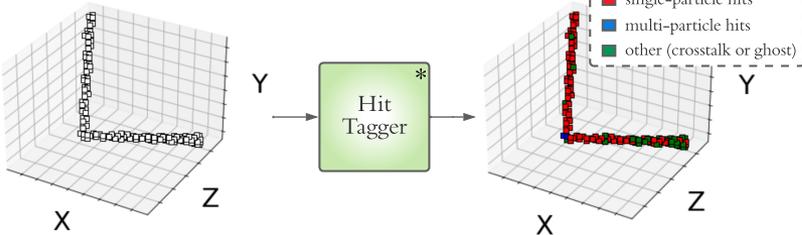
Sparse convolution



Input event

Hits tagged

- single-particle hits
- multi-particle hits
- other (crosstalk or ghost)



Deep-learning method



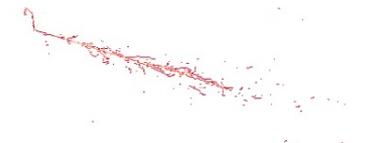
Non-deep-learning method (for now)

“Dense” image



<https://www.britannica.com/>

“Sparse” image

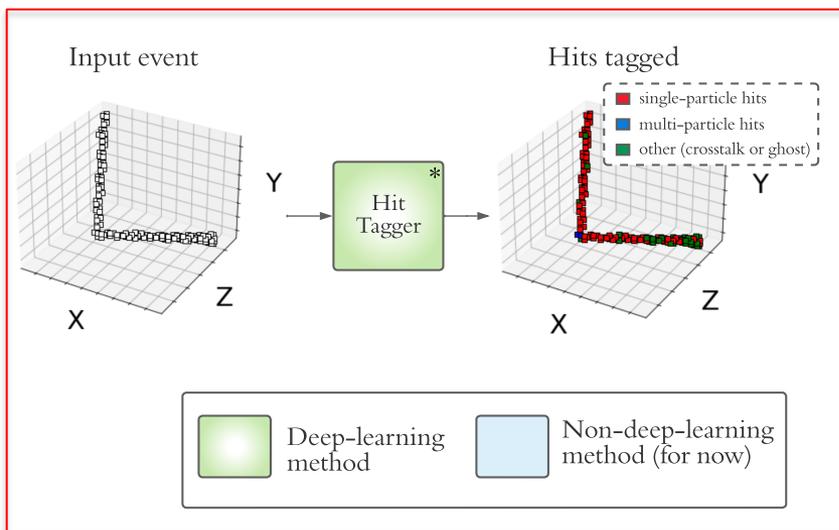


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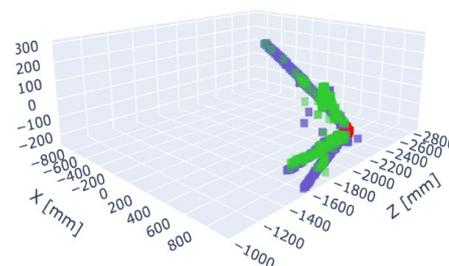
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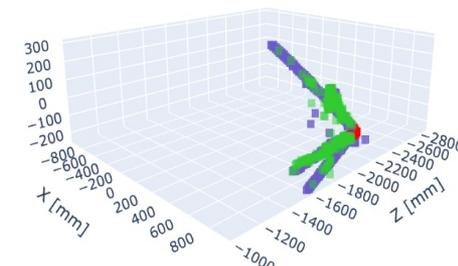
	True multiple-particle hit	True single-particle hit	True other
Pred. multiple-particle hit	83.48%	10.70%	5.83%
Pred. single-particle hit	0.68%	97.52%	1.80%
Pred. other	1.24%	6.88%	91.87%



True (simulation)

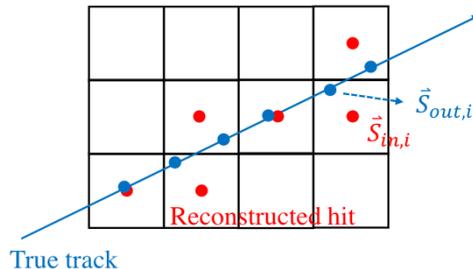


Predicted (NN)

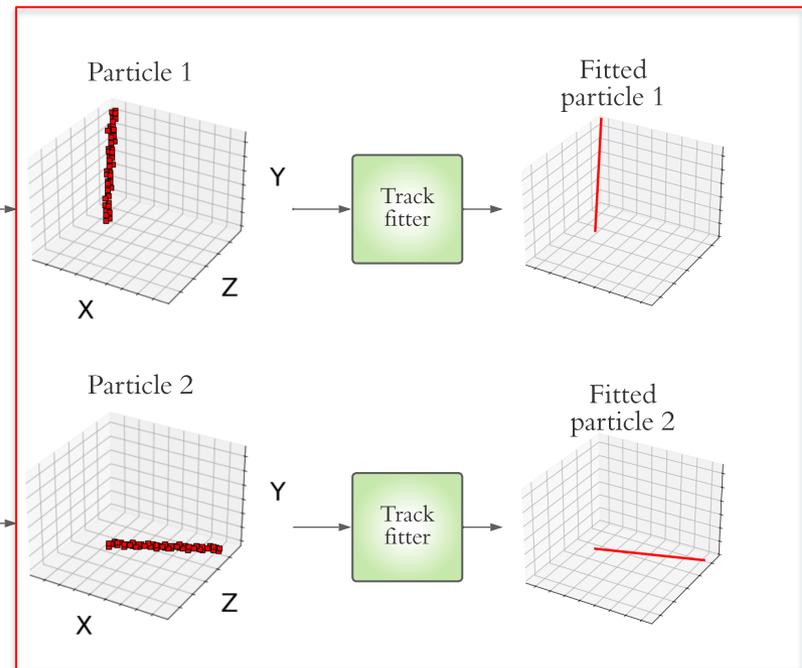
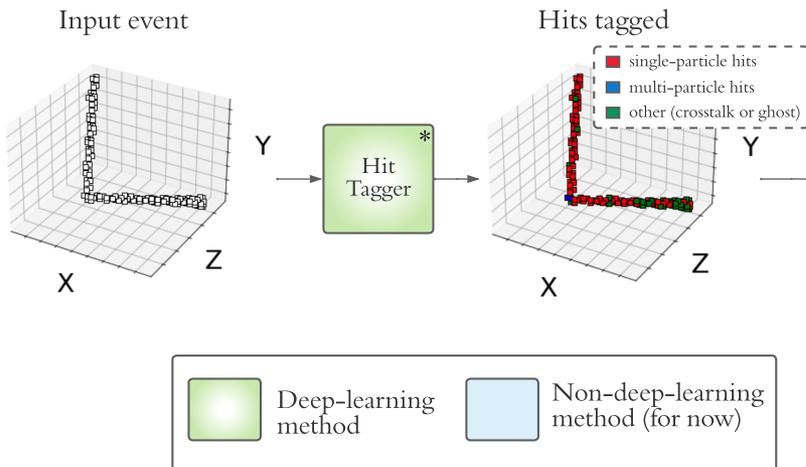


Method 2: Track fitter (2022)

- Based on track hits information, we want to use **neural networks to predict node states along the track (particle trajectory points)**.
- For each state we consider 3D position and energy deposition (# photoelectrons).

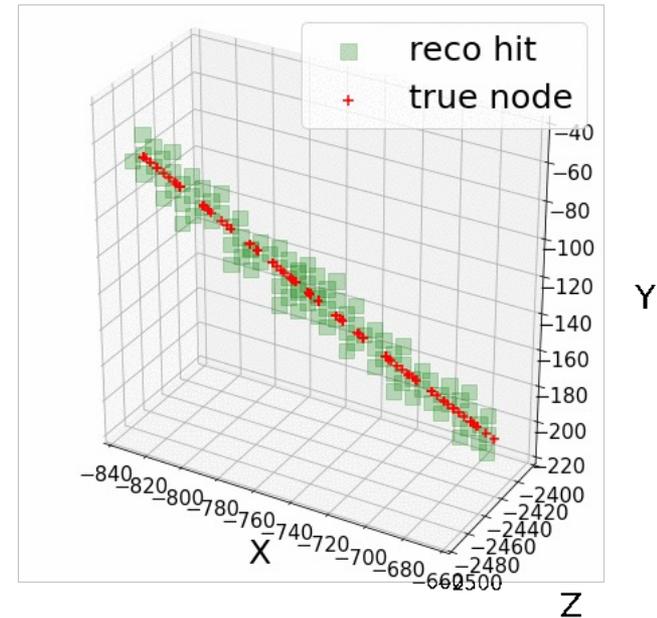


- Input hit state: $\vec{S}_{in,i} = (x_i, y_i, z_i, E_i), i = 1, \dots, N$.
- Output node state: $\vec{S}_{out,i} = (x_i, y_i, z_i), i = 1, \dots, N$.
- Use neural network to construct the map: $\{\vec{S}_{in,i}\} \rightarrow \{\vec{S}_{out,i}\}$



Sequential-importance-resampling particle filter (SIR-PF) implemented

- Method:
 - Use the training set to fill a histogram with the following variations of consecutive true nodes:
 - $\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z, \Delta\theta$ (in spherical coordinates), Δpe (photoelectrons).
 - Use the first hit as prior (particle gun).
 - In each step, the particles are propagated (resampled) along the track direction.
 - For each particle, the algorithm calculates the variation in x, y, z, θ , and pe , and assigns a likelihood based on the value of the corresponding bin in the previously filled histogram.
 - The next fitted node is the weighted average (using the likelihood) of the positions of the different particles.
 - Weighted average of forward and backward fitting.



- **Ran twice:**
 - **On all the hits** (direct comparison with NNs).
 - **On track-hits only** (unrealistic best-possible scenario).

Method 3: PID and Charge ID (2020)

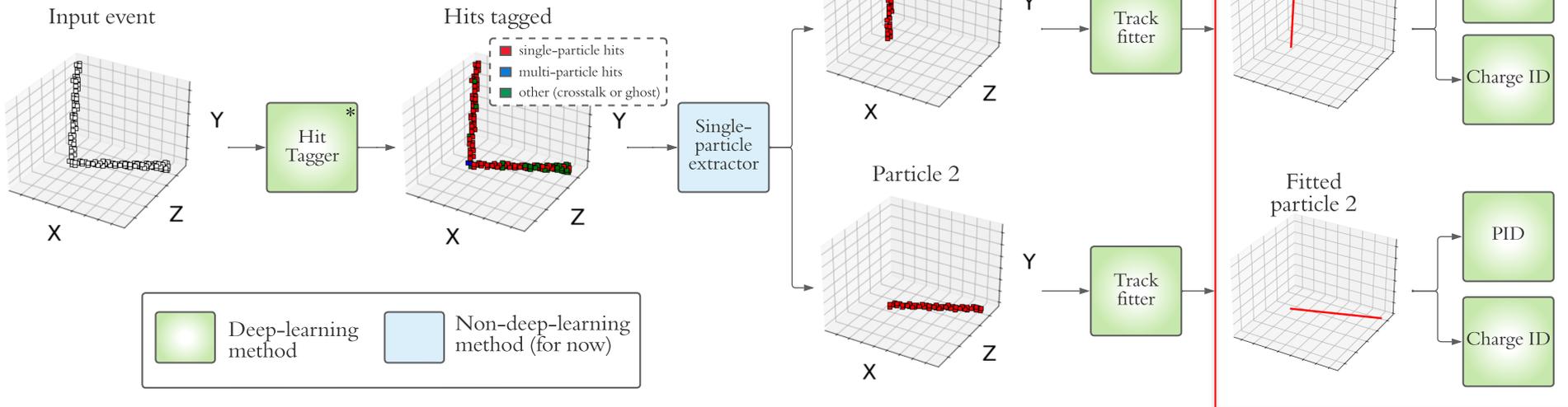
- Approach:

- Train two sparse neural networks for particle and charge identification (PID and charge ID).
- PID results (left) and charge ID (right) using NNs **outperform any other method used by the experiment.**

SFGD contained tracks:

Particle Type		SCNN Efficiency
Proton	Good Bragg	93.5
	Not-good Bragg	63.2
Pion (π^\pm)	Good Bragg	77.3
	Not-good Bragg	61.2
Muon (μ^\pm)		81.4
Electron/Positron		95.1

Method	Efficiency
CNN	96.5%
Shower CoM	84.8%
Primary track	81.7%



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Performance study of deep-learning workloads

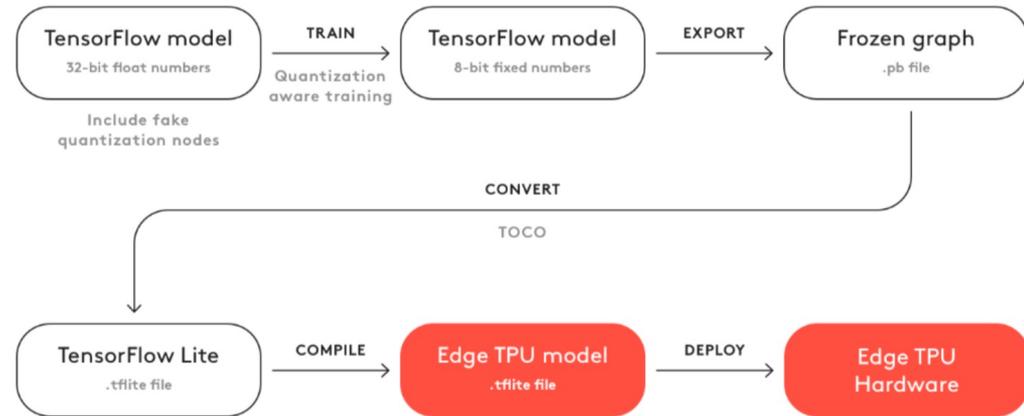
- Being able to **run computationally efficient deep-learning workloads is becoming key for both science and industry.**
 - In the case of the neutrino world, it would allow us to save time and money.
- For training, scaling the computation of deep-learning models the most reasonable option.
 - Many options: parallelise the computation, understand your GPU(s), avoid bottlenecks in the data I/O by having multiple processes preparing the inputs, etc.
- For inference, **a possible approach is to run trained neural networks on deep-learning accelerator boards**
 - In DUNE, we are exploring Google TPUs or FPGAs designed for running deep-learning workloads.

Fermilab - Google Collaboration

- Specifications:

	CPU	GPU	Edge TPU
Model	Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6500 CPU @ 3.20GHz	NVIDIA Tesla K80 (from Google Colab)	Coral Edge TPU
TDP*	65 w (16 w per core)	300 w	2 w
Price (USD)	200	5,000	80

- Generating the right model:



*Thermal Design Power (TDP) represents the average power, in watts, the processor dissipates when operating at Base Frequency with all cores active under an Intel-defined, high-complexity workload.

Results

- Tested using ResNet-50 on MNIST dataset:
- Tested using the DUNE CVN for neutrino identification (50 test images):

	CPU (Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6500 CPU @ 3.20GHz)	GPU (NVIDIA Tesla K80)	Coral Edge TPU
Categorical accuracy	97%	97%	95%
Total inference time (10k images)	142 s	14.7 s	356 s
Inference per image	14 ms	1.5 ms	35 ms

	CPU (Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6500 CPU @ 3.20GHz)	GPU (NVIDIA Tesla K80)	Coral Edge TPU
Categorical accuracy	88%	86%	88%
Total inference time (10k images)	22 s	1 s	5 s
Inference per image	431 ms	20 ms	100 ms

- **Costs:** $cost/inference = time/inference \times TDP \times cost\ of\ energy = K \times cost\ of\ energy$

	CPU (Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6500 CPU @ 3.20GHz)	GPU (NVIDIA Tesla K80)	Coral Edge TPU
K factor (ResNet-50 on MNIST 56x56 images)	0.21	0.45	0.07
K factor (DUNE 500x500 images)	6.9	6	0.2

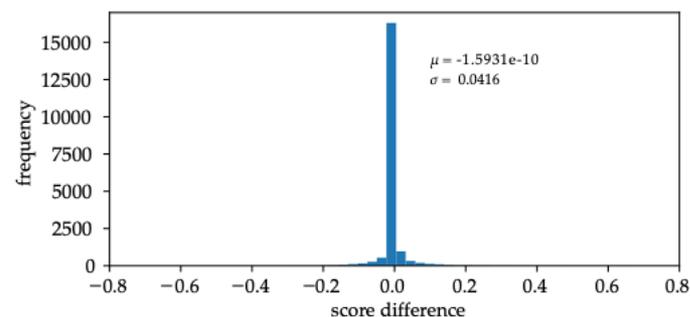
- GPU appears to be by far the fastest piece of hardware.
- Edge TPU performs better with bigger images
- Edge TPU showed the smallest cost per inference and CPU showed the biggest cost per inference.

CERN Openlab - Micron Collaboration

- Hardware: SB-852.
 - FPGA-based unit from Micron.
 - Designed for running neural networks.
 - 64GB DDR4 SODIMM.
 - High-bandwidth / low-latency.
- Workflow:
 - Convert the network into ONNX.
 - Compile it using the Micron Framework.
 - Deploy into the inference engine.

- Future plans:
 - Measure time and energy.
 - Integrate the FPGA in the protoDUNE-SP DAQ.
 - Test how far we can go in the data selection or even in fast online reconstruction.

- Already ran the DUNE CVN on the FPGA.
 - **Same results in GPU and FPGA.**



- **~x2.6 time speedup with respect to the hardware we use in DUNE for inference.**

Processor	Average time (ms)	STD	Min	Max
SB852	103.6074	0.5505	102.4658	105.0381
CPU (i7-8750H)	264.8545	0.8653	262.1692	267.2548

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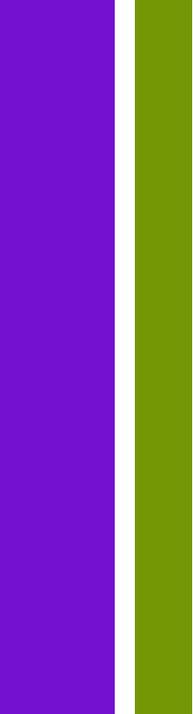
- **Deep learning algorithms provide many powerful mechanisms for processing input data from many different fields**, including high-energy physics and neutrino experiments in particular.
- Several schemes using deep learning in neutrino experiments:
 - **Standard CNNs** for flavour identification.
 - **GANs** for fast simulations.
 - **Sparse CNNs** for hit tagging, particle and charge identification.
 - **Particle filters** for particle tracking.
- Inference via edge computing: two current projects.
 - Using **Google TPUs**.
 - Using **Micron FPGAs**.
- Next steps: approach to computing systematic uncertainties (**need to test the methods extensively to avoid biases**):
 - Test on different statistically independent samples (also, samples from different generators).
 - Understand what the networks are learning (e.g., occlusion tests).

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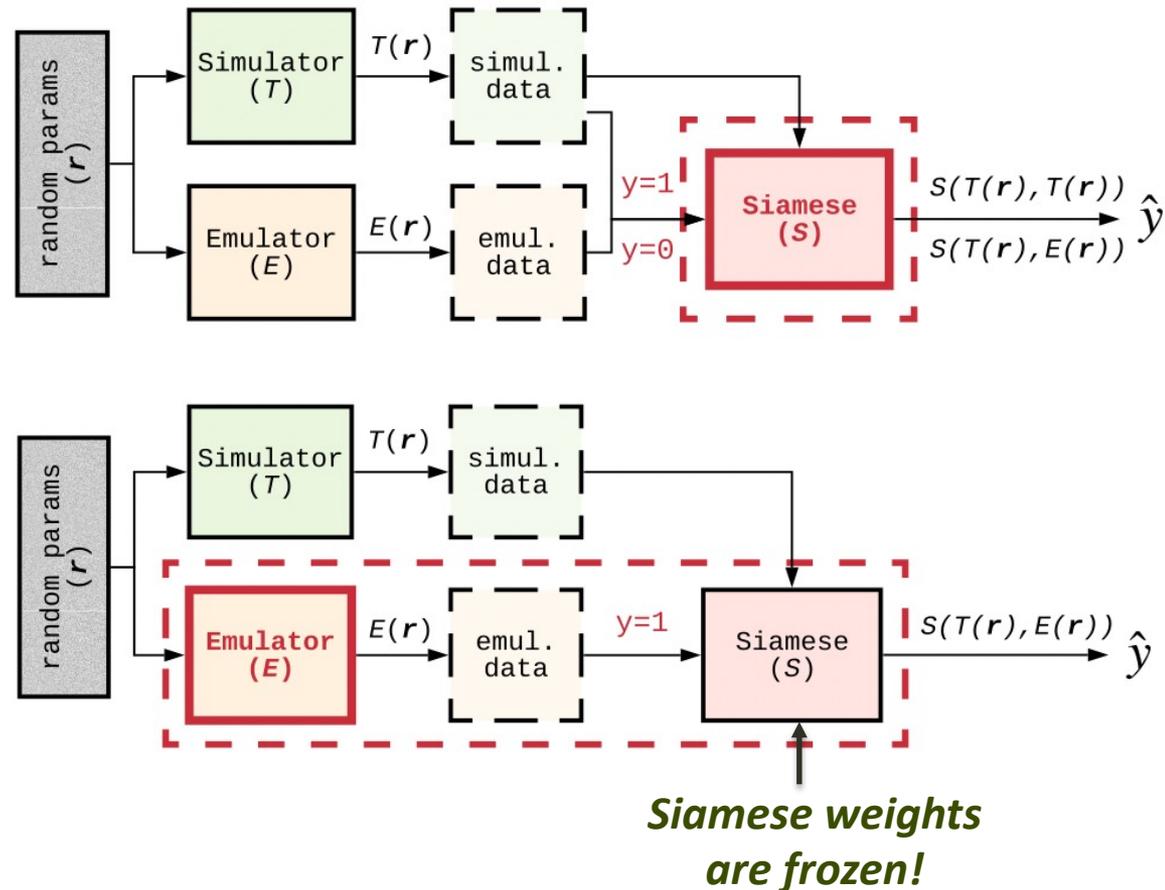




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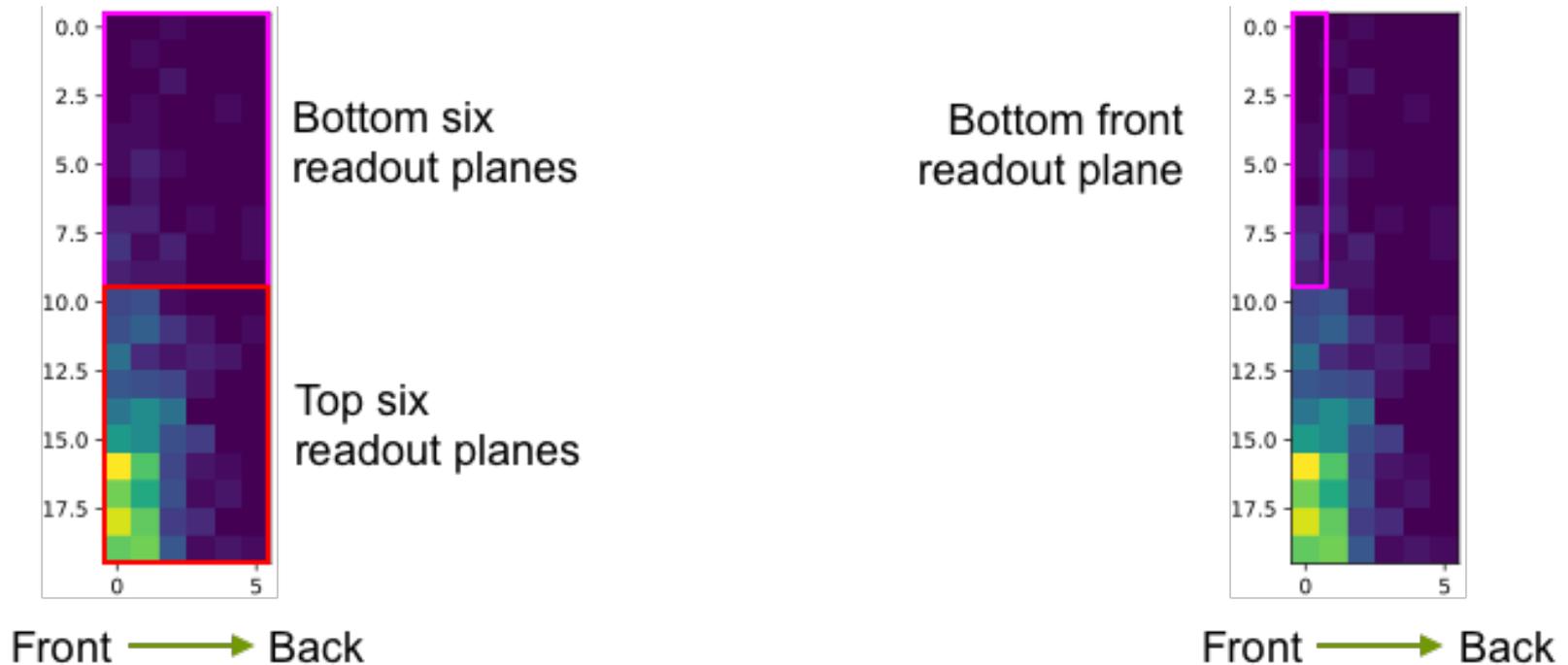
Model-Assisted GAN

- The **Siamese network S** is trained to learn the similarity of the simulated and emulated images.
- The **emulator E** is trained to learn to create emulated images that mimic simulated images, so that E and the **simulator T** generate an identical image from all possible parameter sets.



DUNE photon detector system: Image format

- The images are 20 x 6 pixels.
 - Two readout planes high, and six readout planes wide.

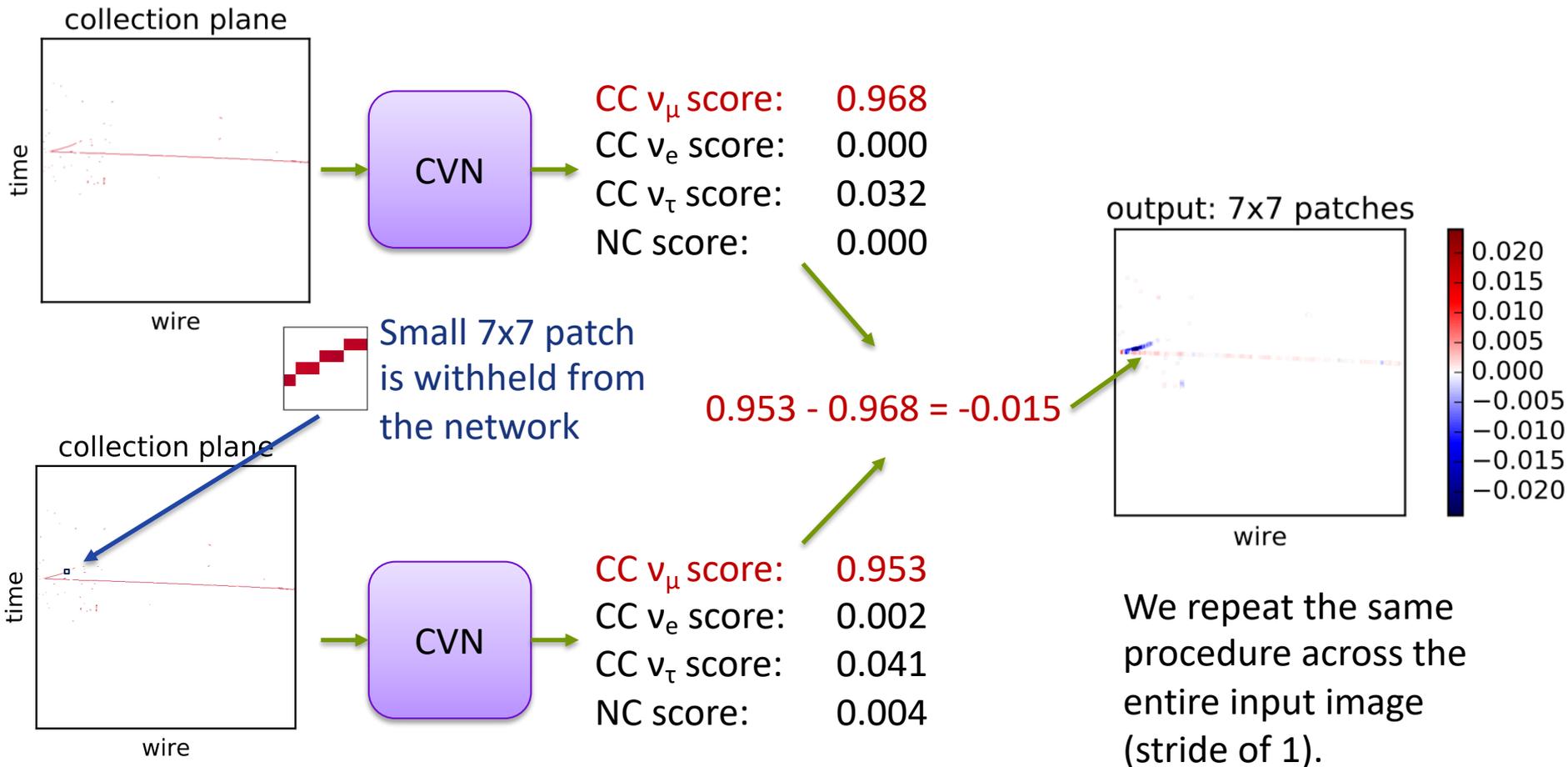


CVN occlusion tests

- Prove the robustness of the CVN by hiding portions of the input events.
 - I.e., changing a small patch of pixels to zeros.
- Use collection plane view only.
 - It is not a perfect test, but it gives us a good idea of what the CVN is using for classification.
- Compare the CVN scores before and after withholding a small patch of an input event from the network.
 - If the scores remain the same (or very close) means the CVN is robust against small image variations.
 - The score difference is placed into a separate map at the pixel corresponding to the centre of the patch.
- Repeat this procedure across the entire input image.

CVN occlusion tests: example

- Input (500x500 pixel image):

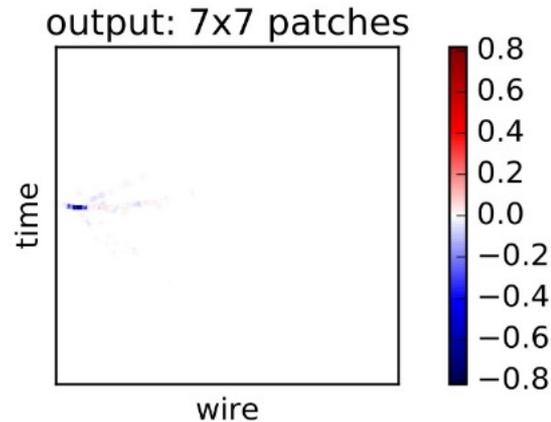
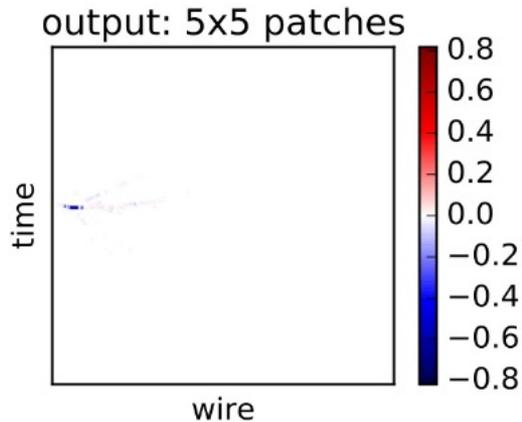
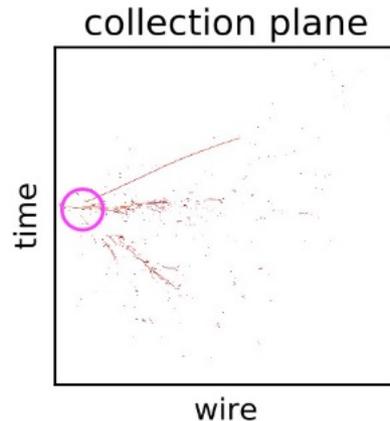


CVN occlusion tests

- We ran tests on a small sample (100 events).
- 5x5 pixel patches, and 7x7 pixel patches.
 - Applied to collection plane view only.
- Tests incredibly slow.
 - Not performing tests on patches that are already blank, but still needed to run the CVN hundreds (or event thousands) of times per event.
 - ~10 hours to run the tests on a NVIDIA V100 GPU.

CVN occlusion tests: event gallery (I)

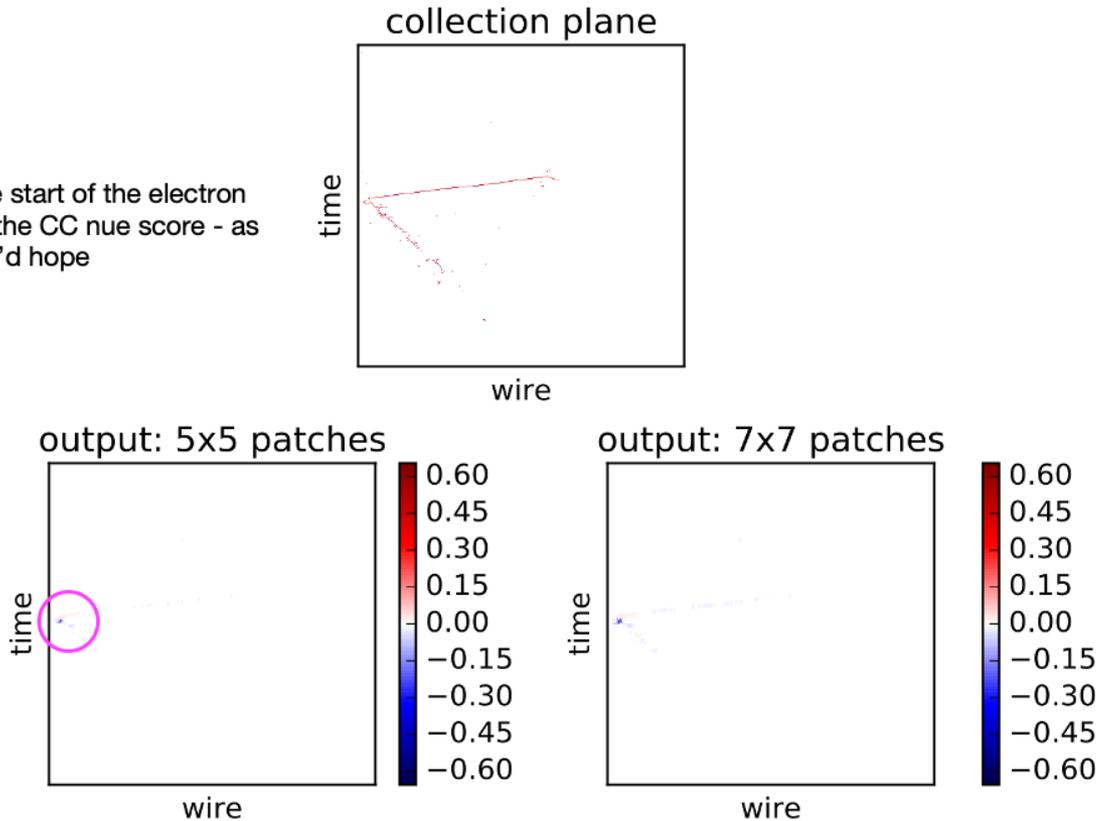
When the network loses the hits in this patch, the event looks much less ν_e like as there is a gap before the shower



- True label: CC ν_e
- CVN original scores:
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0009
 - **CC ν_e score: 0.9184**
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0090
 - NC score: 0.0717
- CVN scores (largest 5x5 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0015
 - CC ν_e score: 0.1003
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0098
 - **NC score: 0.8884**
- CVN scores (largest 7x7 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0028
 - CC ν_e score: 0.1872
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0128
 - **NC score: 0.7972**

CVN occlusion tests: event gallery (II)

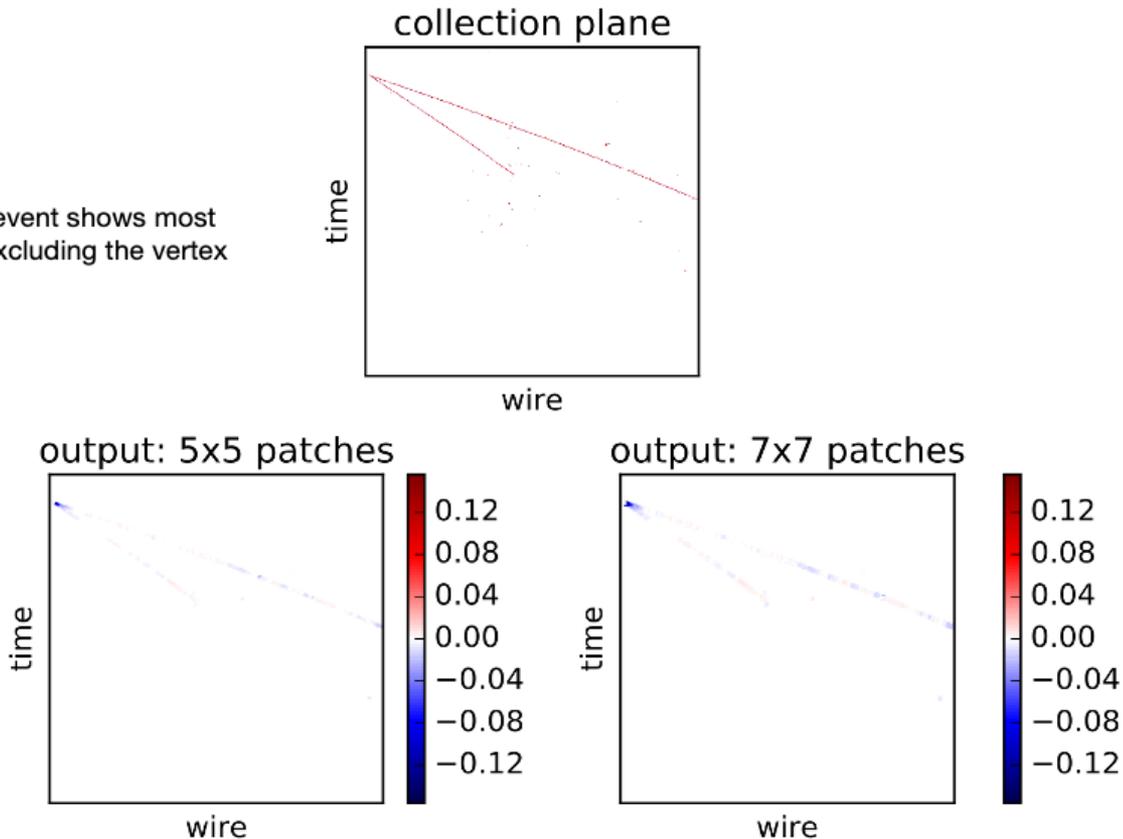
Removing the start of the electron shower reduces the CC ν_e score - as we'd hope



- True label: CC ν_e
- CVN original scores:
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0007
 - **CC ν_e score: 0.9560**
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0185
 - NC score: 0.0248
- CVN scores (largest 5x5 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0026
 - CC ν_e score: 0.3013
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0234
 - **NC score: 0.6727**
- CVN scores (largest 7x7 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.0027
 - **CC ν_e score: 0.4975**
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0358
 - NC score: 0.4640

CVN occlusion tests: event gallery (III)

Simpler CC Numu event shows most degradation when excluding the vertex



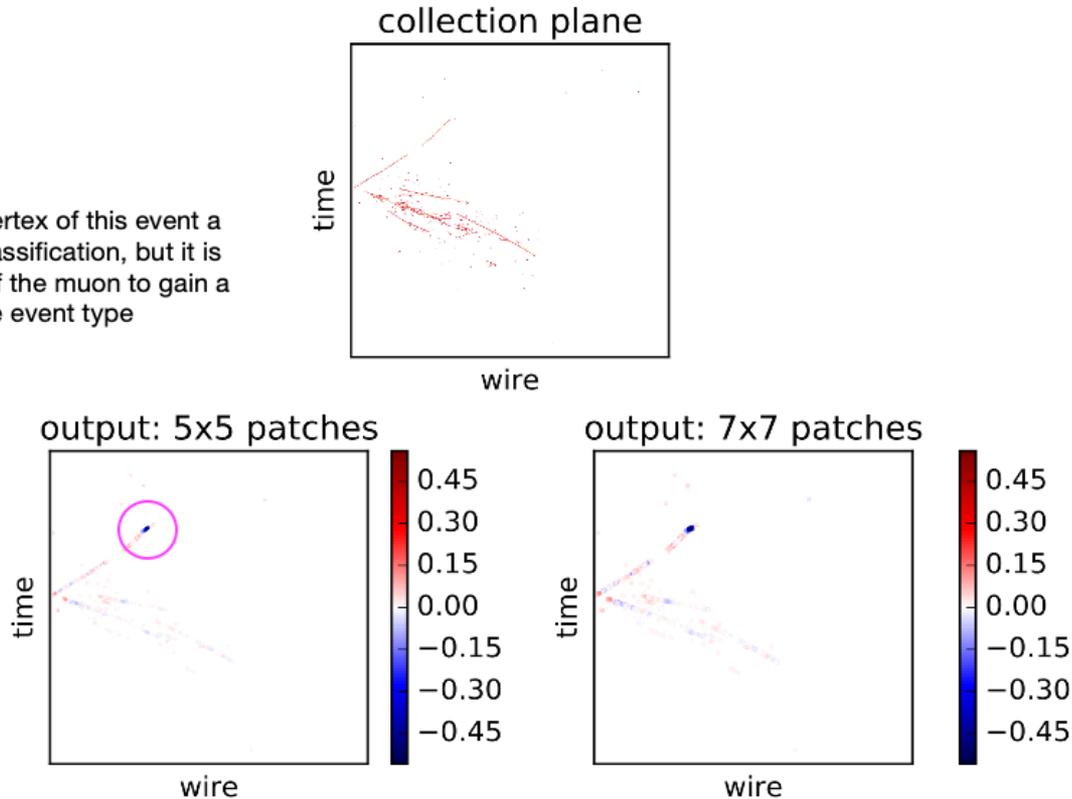
- True label: CC ν_μ
- CVN original scores:
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.9672
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0002
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0258
 - NC score: 0.0068

- CVN scores (largest 5x5 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.8112
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0002
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0953
 - NC score: 0.0933

- CVN scores (largest 7x7 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.8112
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0002
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0953
 - NC score: 0.0933

CVN occlusion tests: event gallery (IV)

The CVN finds the vertex of this event a bit ambiguous for classification, but it is using the end point of the muon to gain a handle on the event type

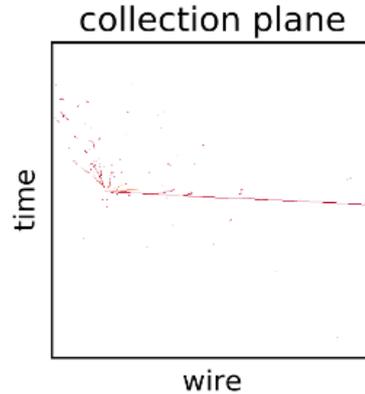


- True label: CC ν_μ
- CVN original scores:
 - **CC ν_μ score: 0.7142**
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0007
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0750
 - NC score: 0.2101
- CVN scores (largest 5x5 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.1551
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0011
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.1552
 - **NC score: 0.6886**
- CVN scores (largest 7x7 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.1854
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0011
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.1550
 - **NC score: 0.6585**

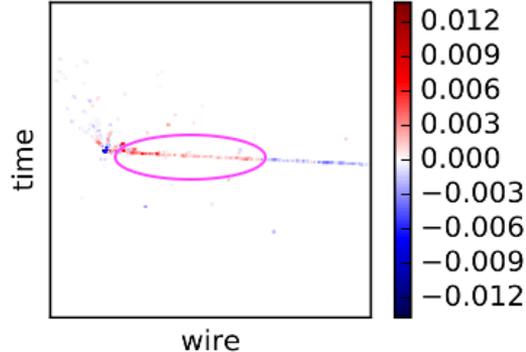
CVN occlusion tests: event gallery (V)

This event has very small changes, but we wanted to highlight an interesting feature:

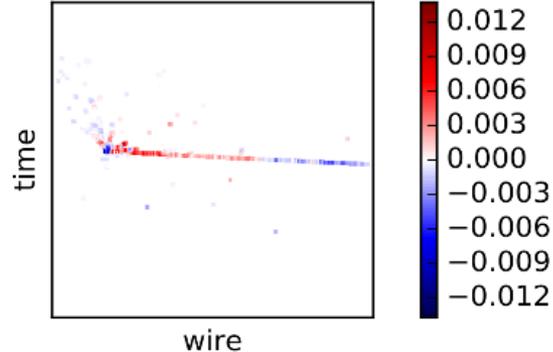
Part of the muon track has a number of delta rays and diffuse activity close by. Excluding these regions *very slightly* improves the classification since it is less ambiguously a track.



output: 5x5 patches



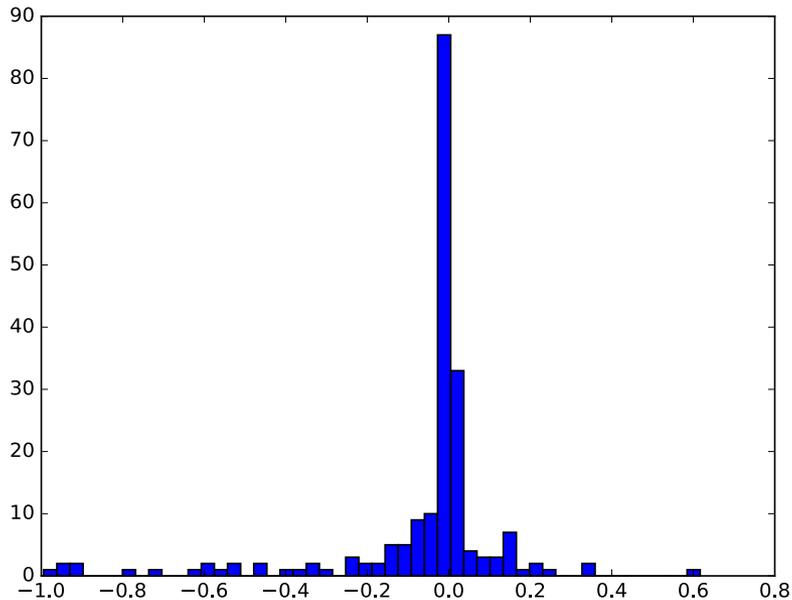
output: 7x7 patches



- True label: CC ν_μ
- CVN original scores:
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.9614
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0002
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0372
 - NC score: 0.0012
- CVN scores (largest 5x5 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.9477
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0001
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0511
 - NC score: 0.0011
- CVN scores (largest 7x7 difference):
 - CC ν_μ score: 0.9478
 - CC ν_e score: 0.0002
 - CC ν_τ score: 0.0510
 - NC score: 0.0010

CVN occlusion tests: histograms

- Largest score difference distribution (5x5 patches):



- Largest score difference distribution (7x7 patches):

