

Recent results on a machine learning approach to event position reconstruction in the DEAP-3600 Dark Matter Search Experiment

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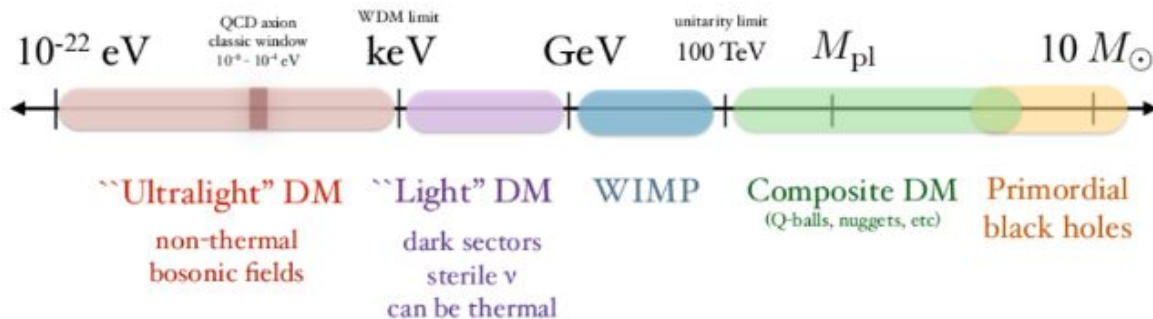
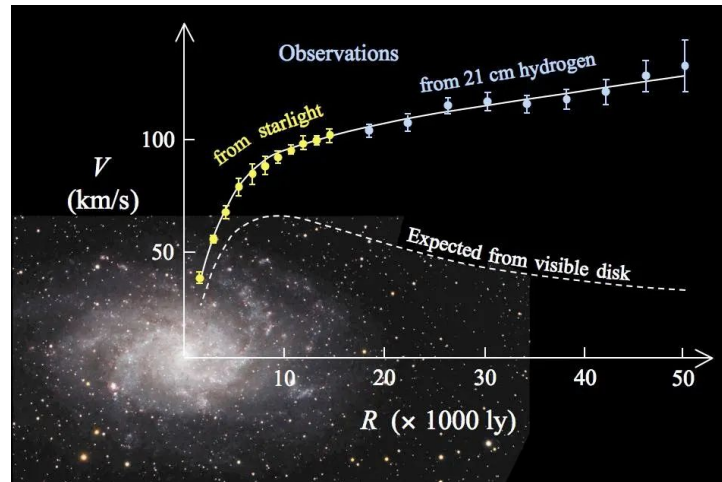
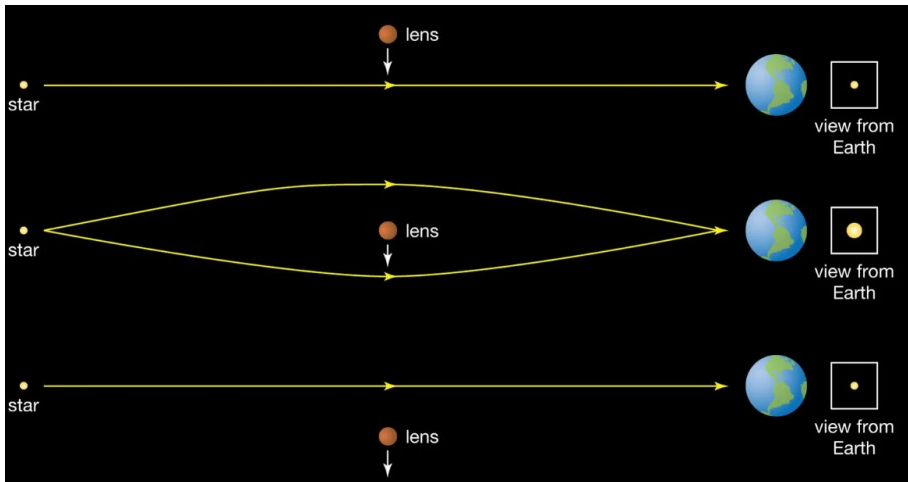
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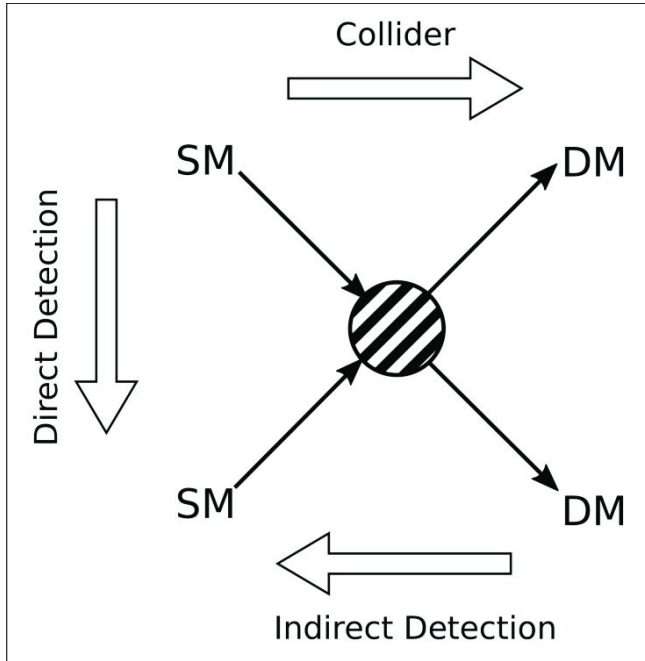
Overview of the Talk

- About dark matter
- DEAP-3600 experiment
- Machine learning overview
- ML application in DEAP-3600 experiment
- Conclusion

About dark matter



About dark matter



Dark Matter search strategies

Direct Method

A diagram showing a particle with a nucleus (red and green spheres) and an electron orbiting it. A white arrow points from the nucleus towards the left, and another white arrow points from the electron towards the right, labeled 'Dark Matter (DM)'.

Indirect Method

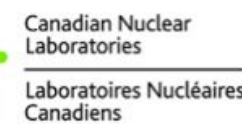
A diagram showing the Sun (labeled 'Sun') with 'DM' written on it. Two white arrows labeled 'ν' point from the Sun towards the Earth (labeled 'Earth'). A white arrow labeled 'γ' points from the Earth towards a galaxy labeled 'Milky Way'. Below the Milky Way is a diagram of the ALICE experiment, a large circular detector with a central yellow and blue core and a red outer ring, labeled 'ALICE'.

Production at the Large Hadron Collider

About dark matter



Picture from L. Baudis, 2012



The collaboration



The detector

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255 PMTs & LGs

Wavelength Shifter (TPB)

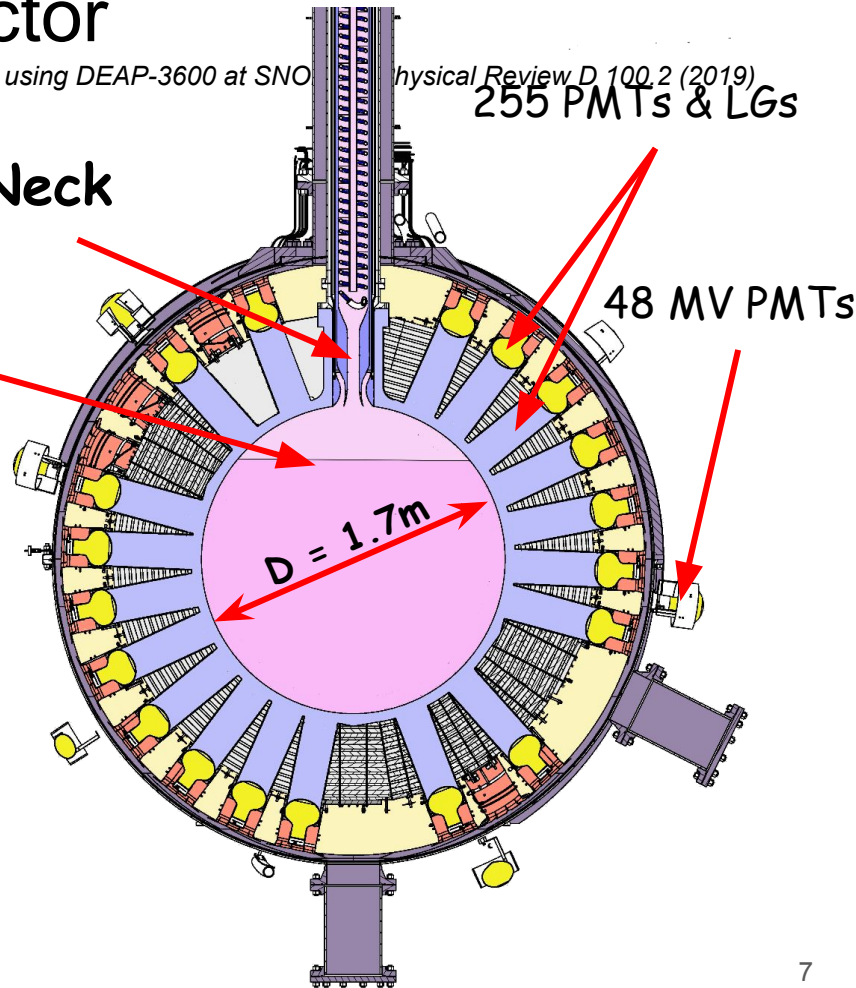
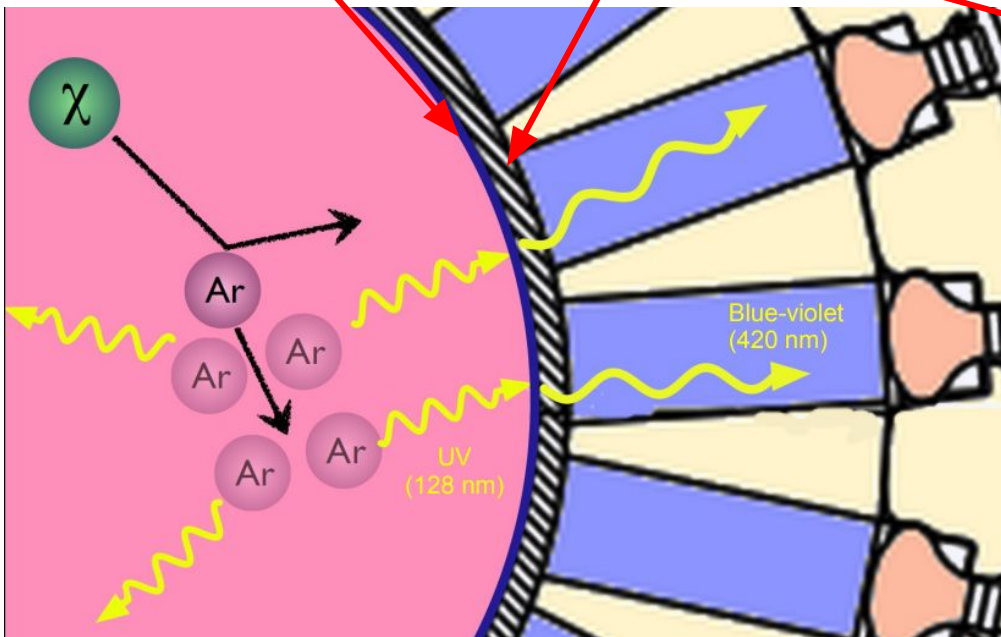
Acrylic Vessel (AV)

Fill level

Neck

48 MV PMTs

D = 1.7m



Pulse Shape Discrimination

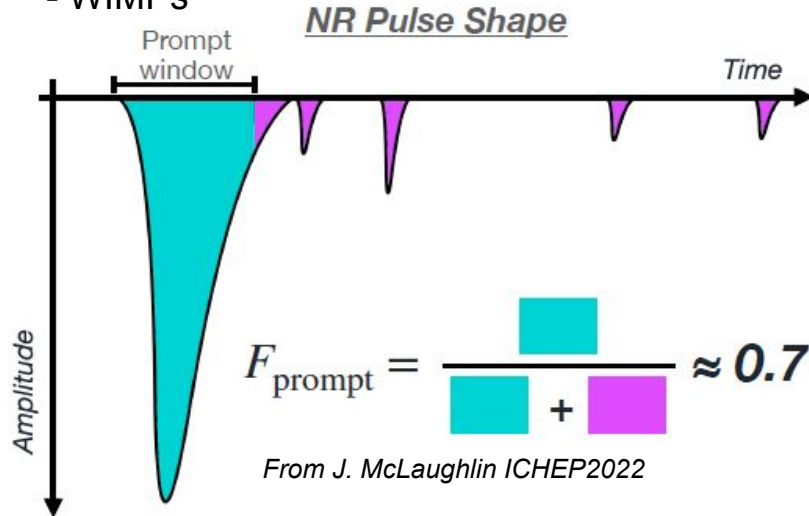
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Nuclear Recoils

Electronic Recoils

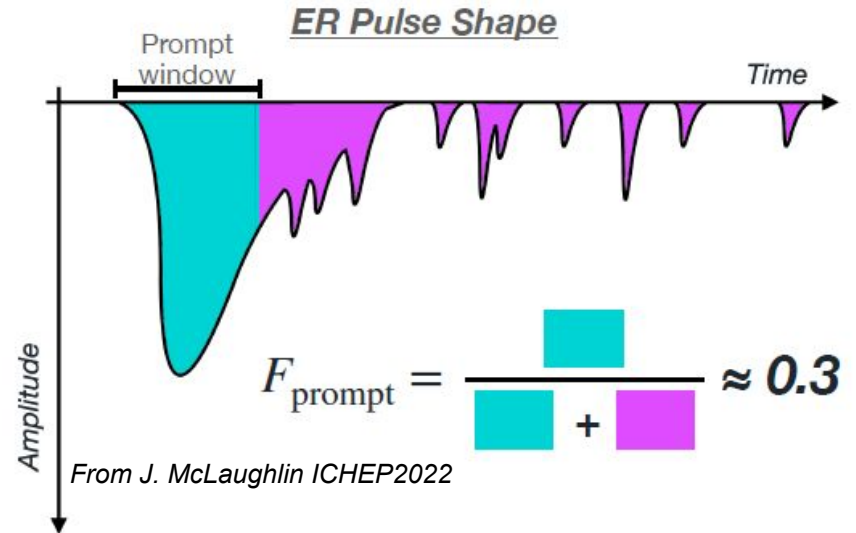
- Scattering directly with argon nuclei;
- Excimers mostly populate the singlet state, relax quickly. Induced by:

- Neutrons
- Alphas
- WIMPs



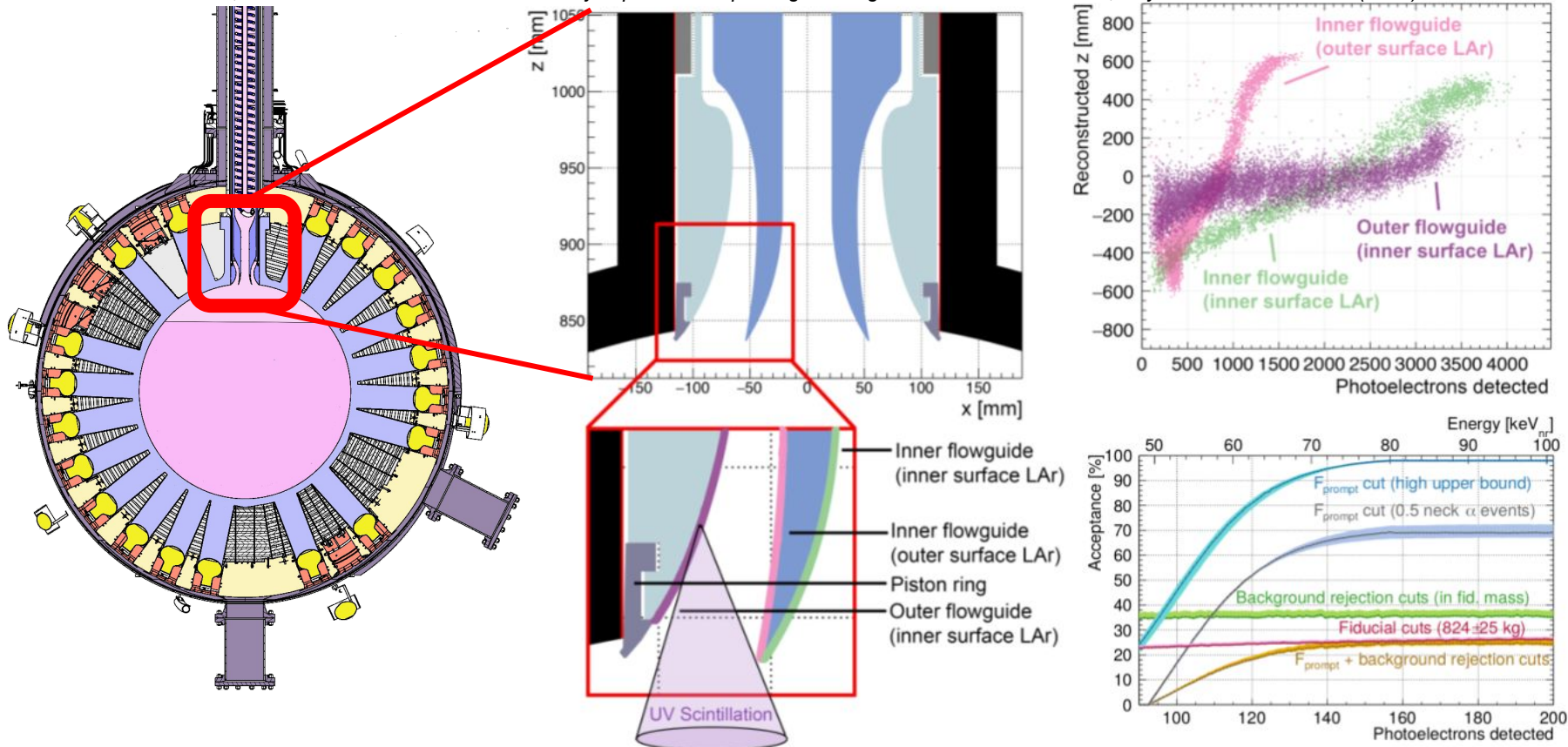
- Scattering with argon atomic electrons, ionizing argon;
- excimers tend to populate triplet state, relax slowly. Induced by:

- Betas (especially ^{39}Ar at ~ 3 kHz)
- Gammas



The neck

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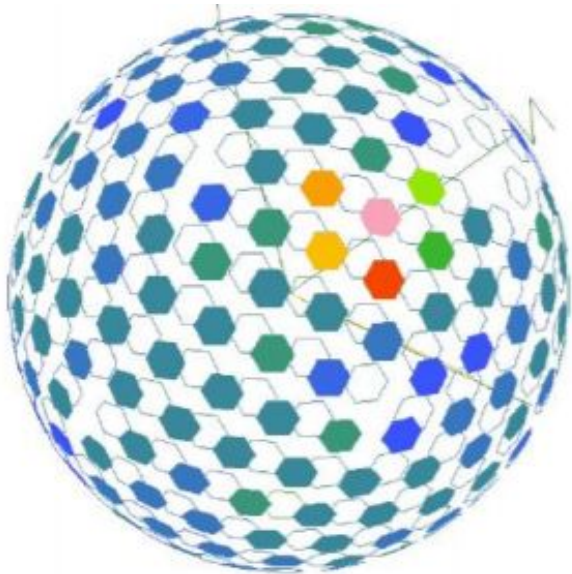


$$N_{bkg}^{ROI} = N_{ER}^{ROI} + N_{Cher}^{ROI} + N_{n,rdg}^{ROI} + N_{n,csg}^{ROI} + N_{\alpha,AV}^{ROI} + N_{\alpha,neck}^{ROI}$$

Position reconstruction

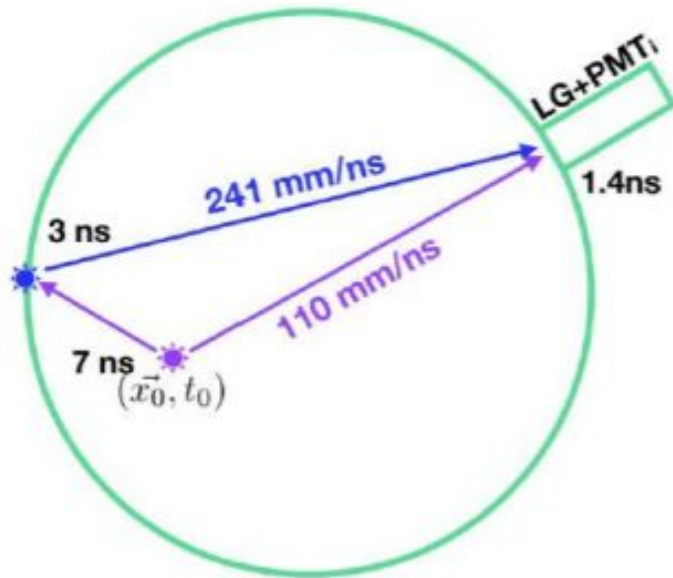
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MBLikelihood - MBL



compares the **observed distribution of PE** in each PMT with the predicted distribution given a hypothesised event vertex

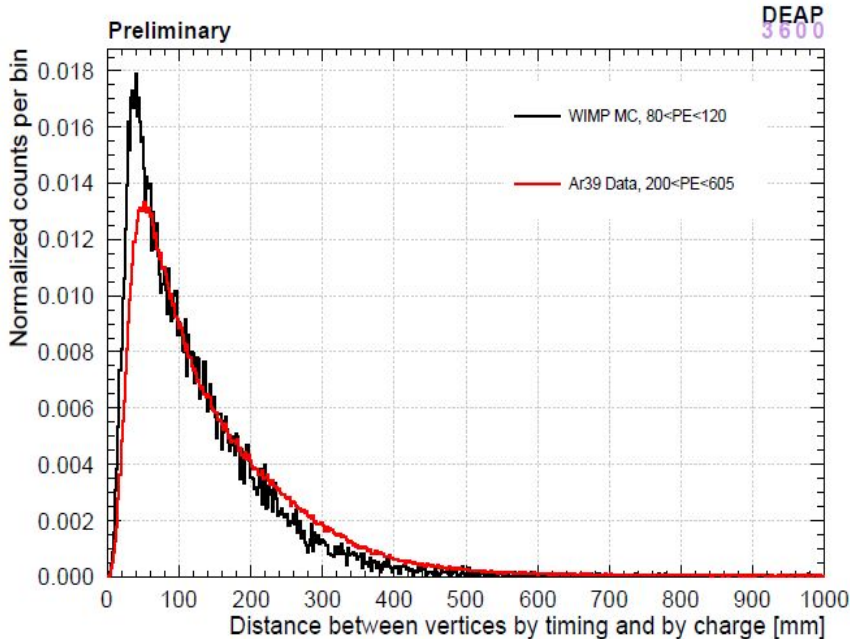
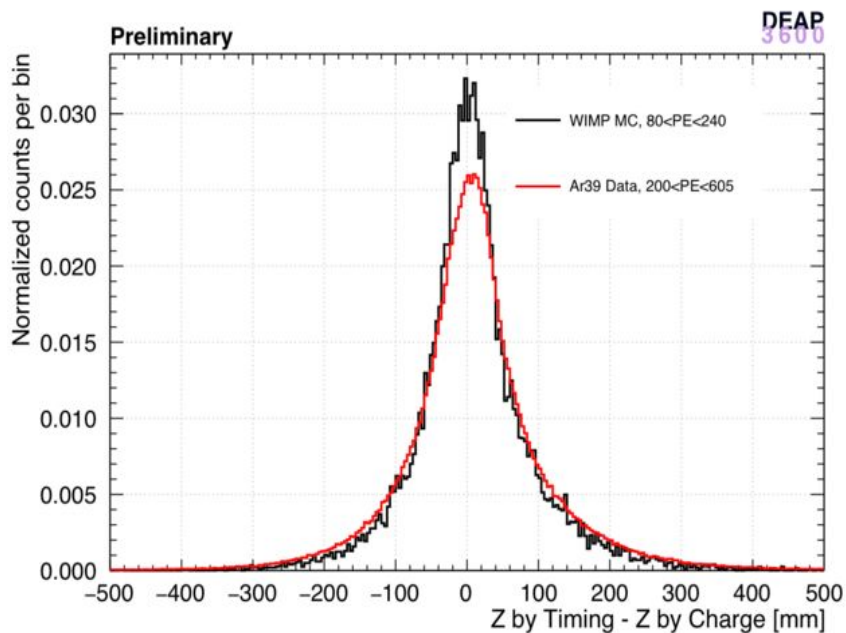
TimeFit2 - TF



Determines the reconstructed event vertex by finding the hypothesised value \vec{x} that **maximises a likelihood function**

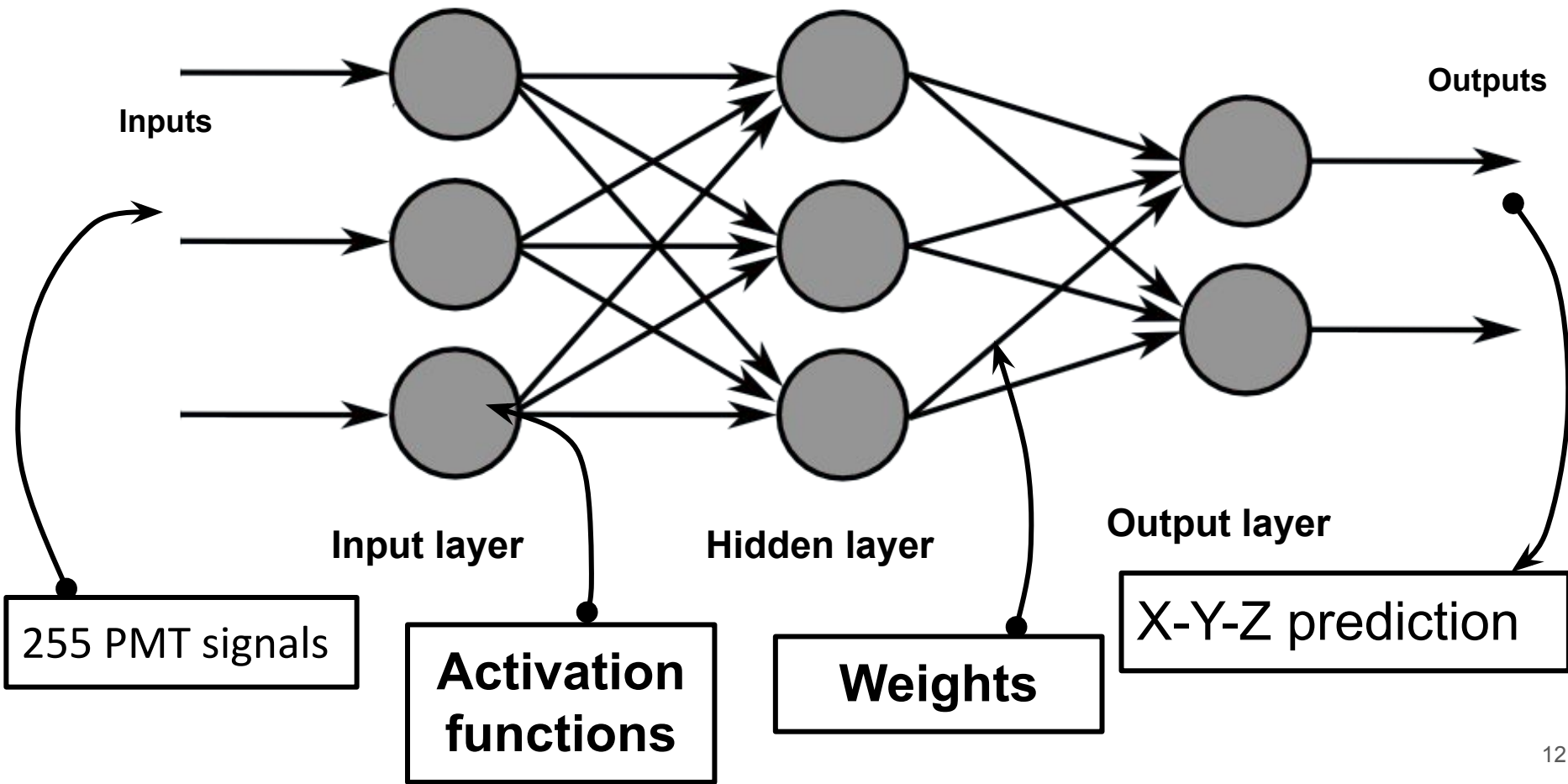
Position reconstruction

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- Both algorithms work well in the LAr area of the detector, but for events in the neck region, they do not match in their results and cannot accurately determine the event position
- To solve this, it was decided to **use machine learning techniques to determine the position** of the event in the entire detector volume, **including the neck area**

Fully-connected neural network



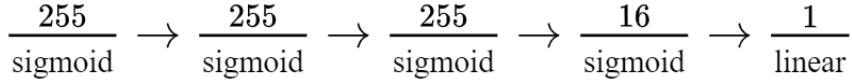
Working process

- **Creating a dataset** - using the Geant4, ROOT and RAT* packages for modeling;
- **Algorithm development** - using machine learning (several algorithms have been tested);
- **Application of the algorithm** - on events obtained from Geant4 simulations;
- **Creating three different algorithms** - for better understanding of operation and easier control;
- **Algorithm tuning** - analyzing the physics of events, adjusting the neural network structure to the complexity of the problem;
- **Analyzing the results** - creating comparative plots on two regions of detector operation (LAR and neck);
- **Algorithm implementation** - performance verification, calibrations.

First result

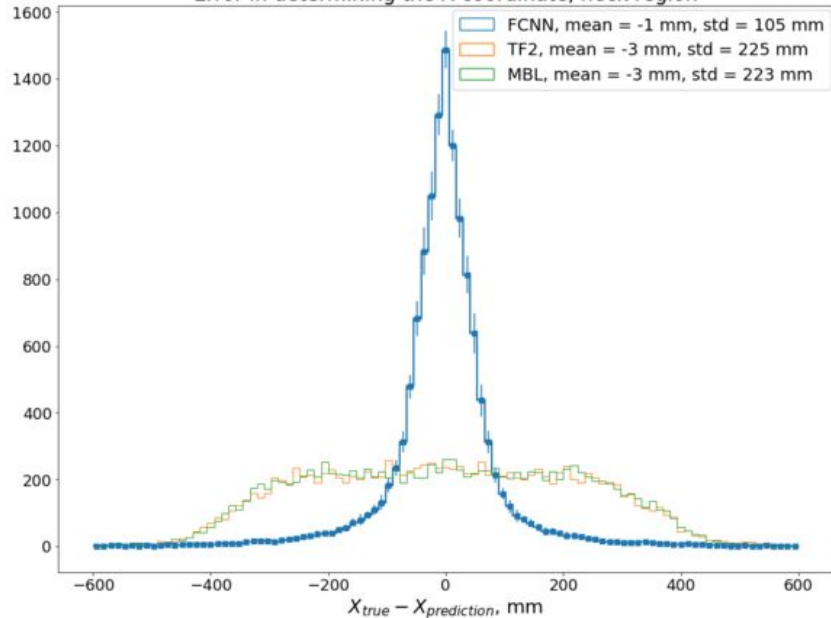
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X and Y coordinate reconstruction, **neck**

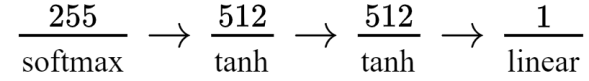


Preliminary Simulation

Error in determining the X coordinate, neck region

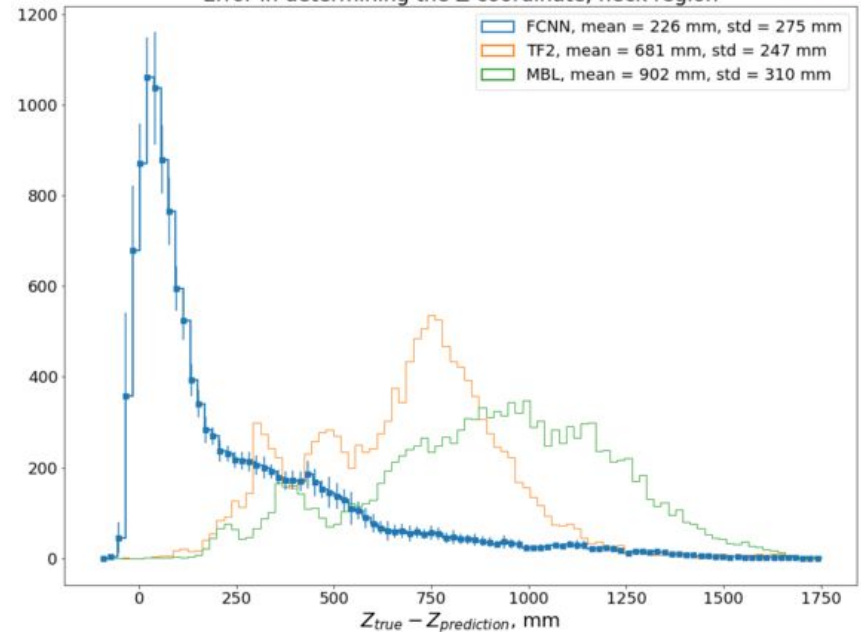


Z coordinate reconstruction, **neck**



Preliminary Simulation

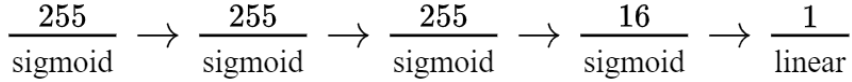
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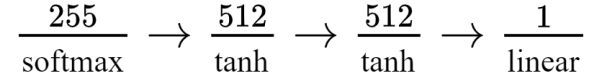
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X and Y coordinate reconstruction, **LAr**



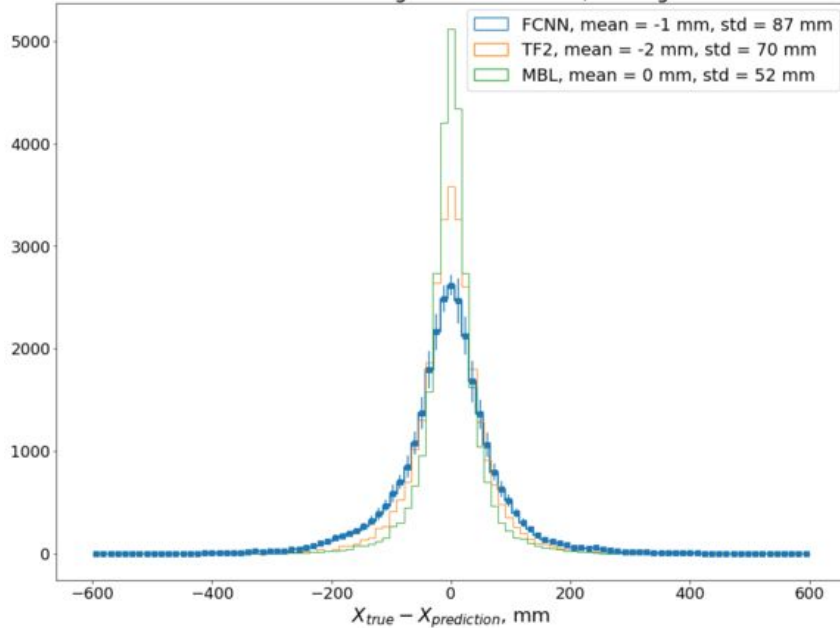
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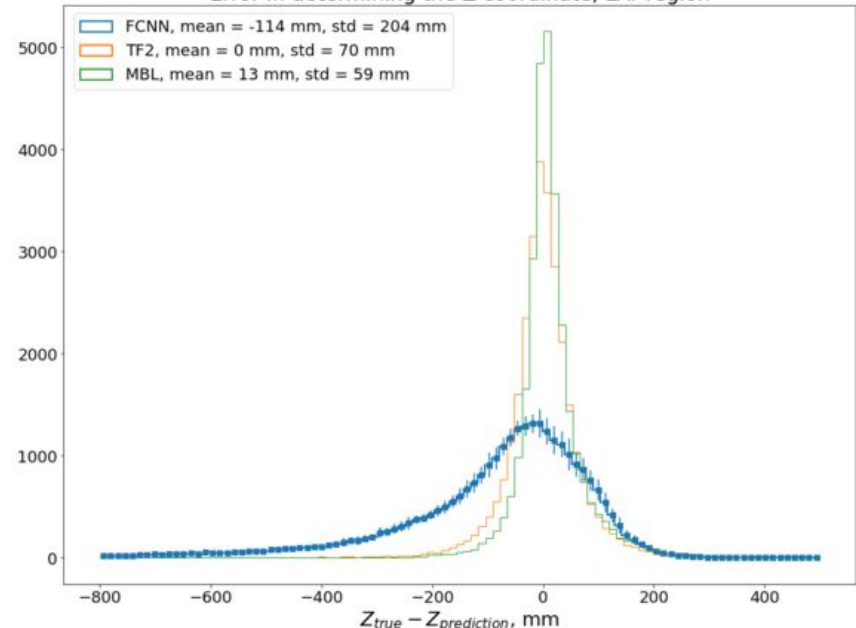
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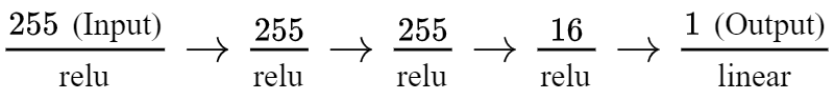
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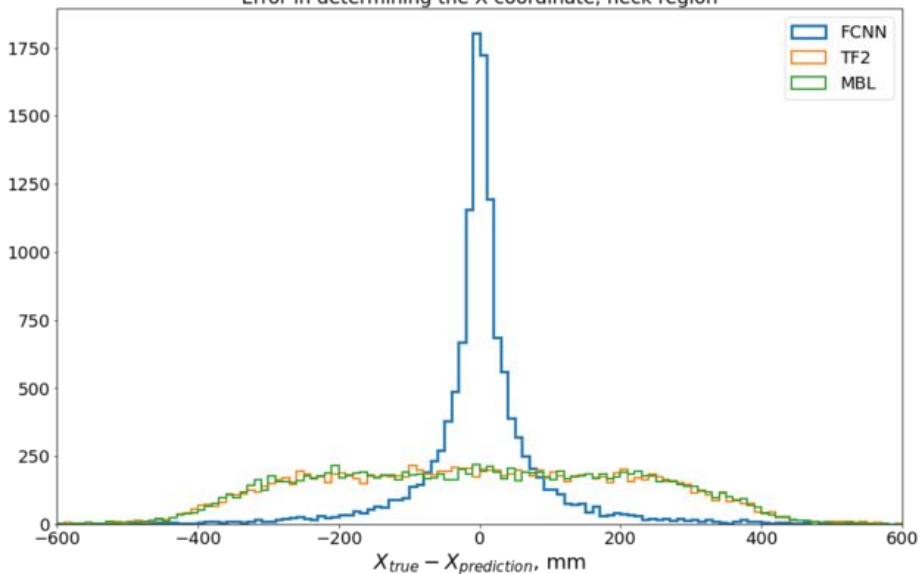
New result

X and Y coordinate reconstruction, **neck**

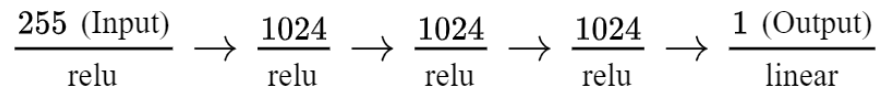


Preliminary Simulation

Error in determining the X coordinate, neck region

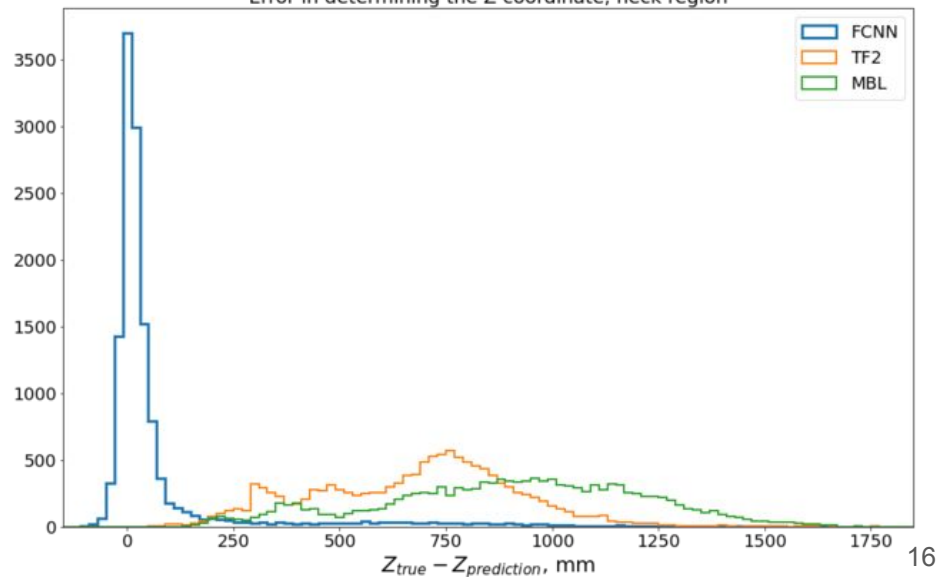


Z coordinate reconstruction, **neck**



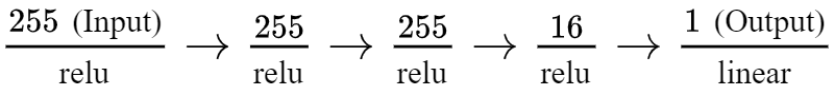
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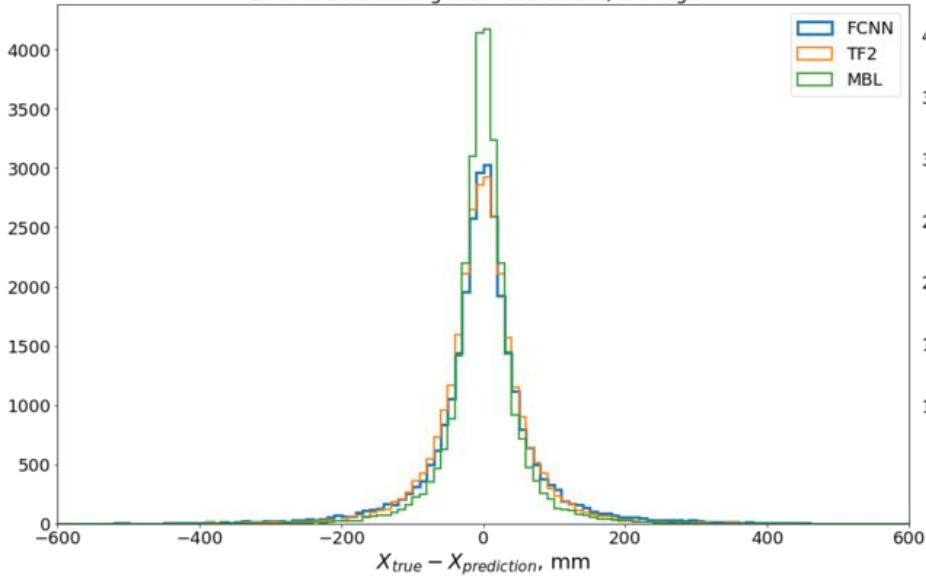
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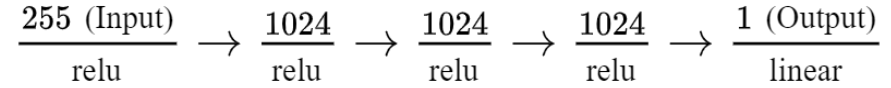


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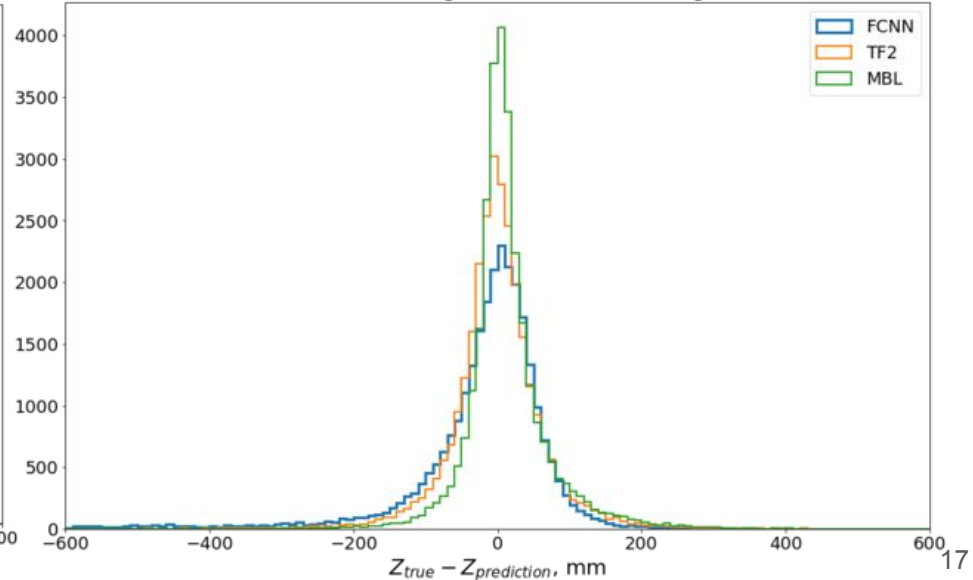


Z coordinate reconstruction, **LAr**



Preliminary Simulation

Error in determining the Z coordinate, LAr region



Conclusion

- Most successful (for now) ML algorithm for this task is **FCNN**;
- **3 different models** for 3 coordinates (X, Y, Z) have been created and tested;
- **Different** neural network **structures** have been tested;
- A neural network structure was found that significantly **improves the previous result**;
- This algorithm performs **much better in the neck region** of the detector, while not being as inferior to existing algorithms in the bulk region.

Thank you for your attention!