



NuGraph2:

A Graph Neural Network for Neutrino Event Reconstruction

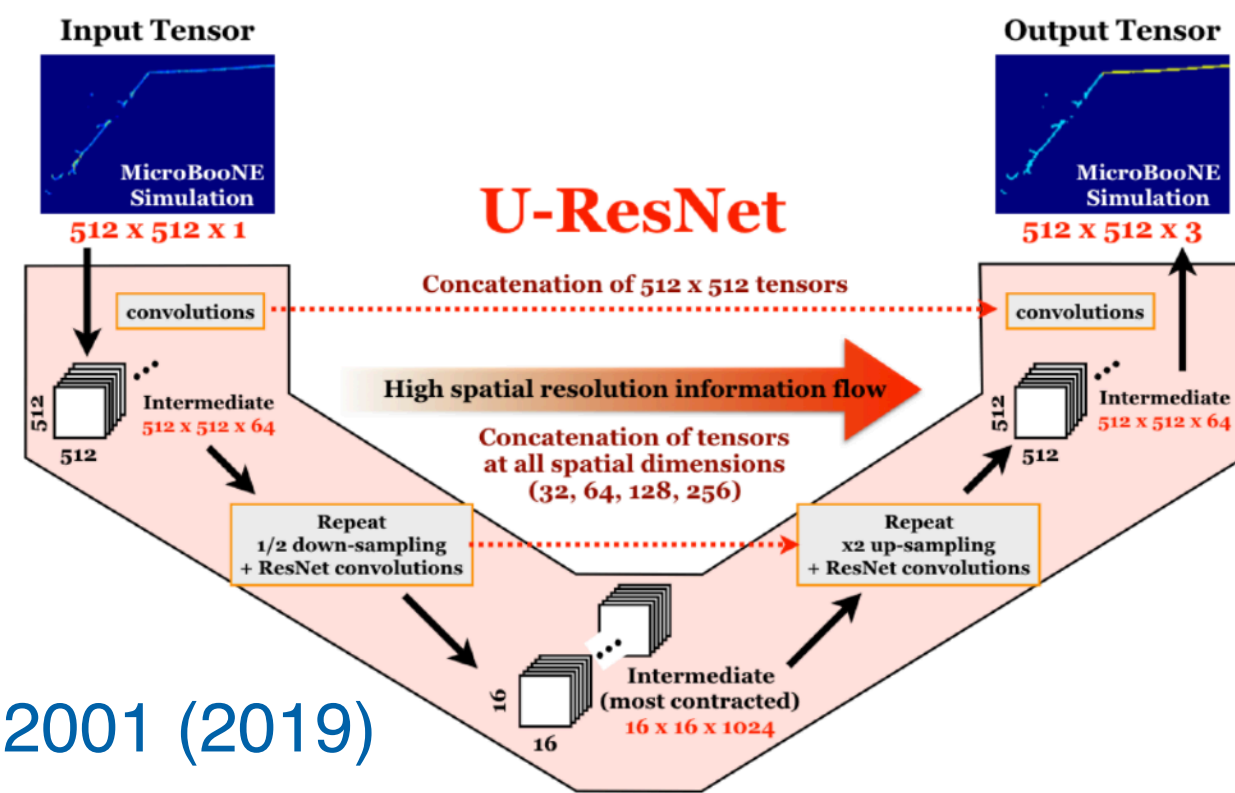
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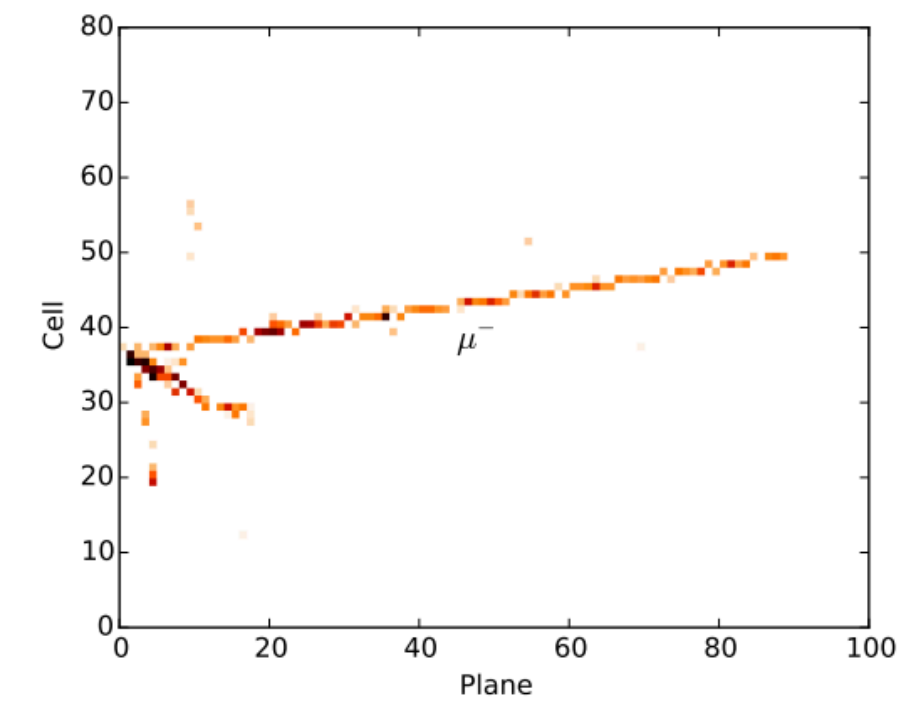
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Introduction

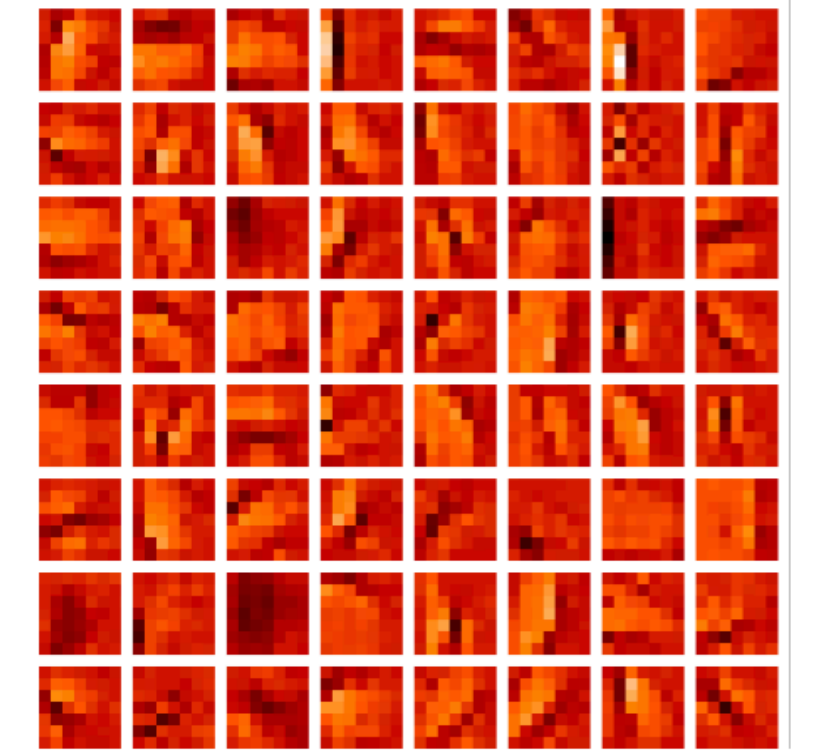
- CNN-based networks reshaped event reconstruction for neutrino physics



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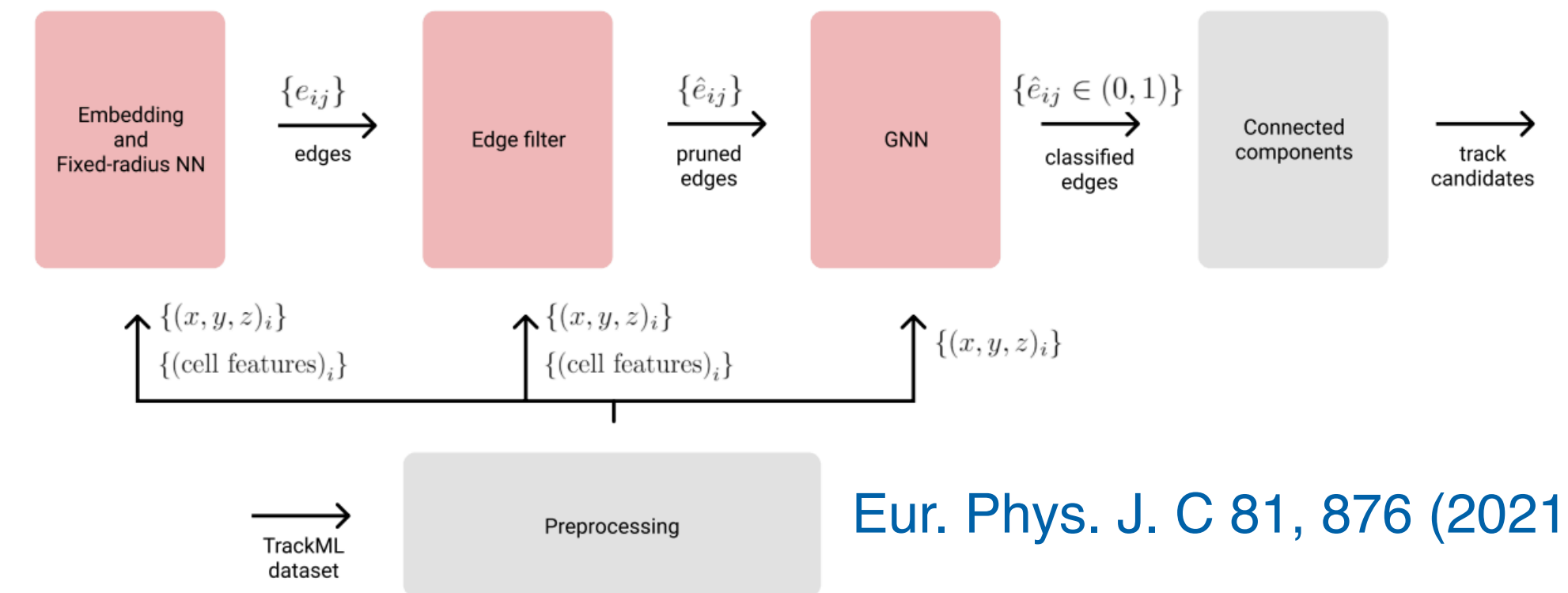
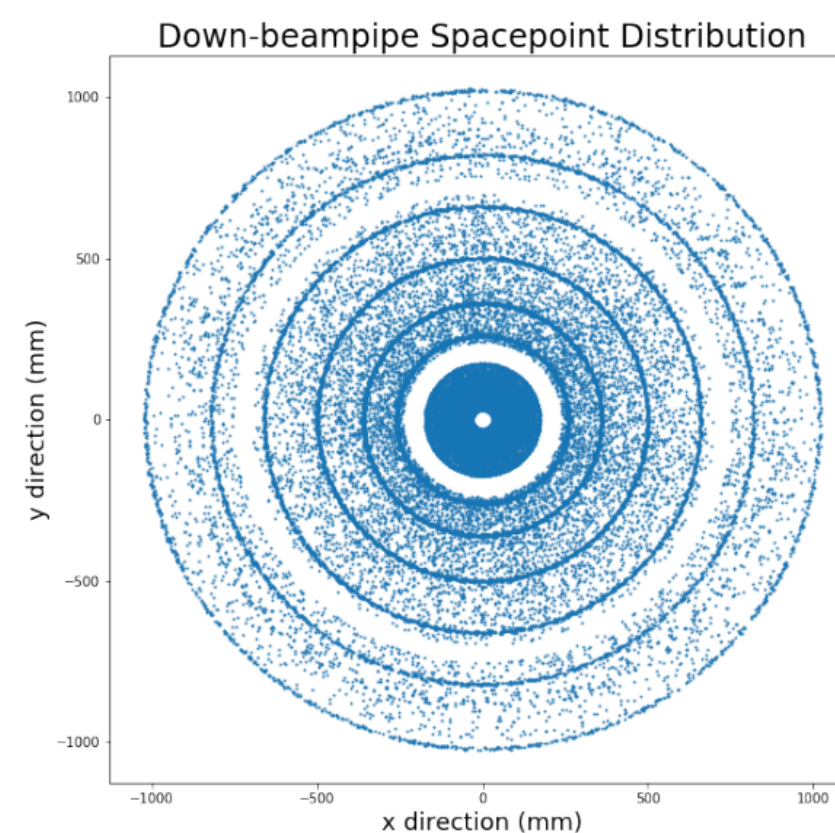
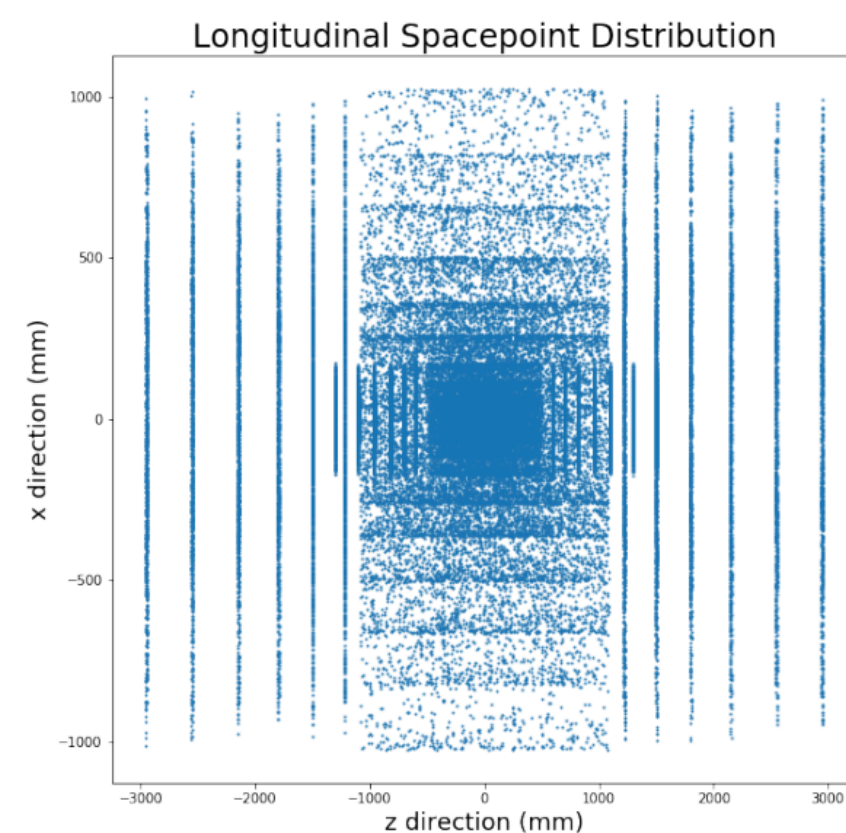


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- GNN proved to be promising for track reconstruction at the LHC

- naturally sparse
- no image pre-processing
- flexible structure

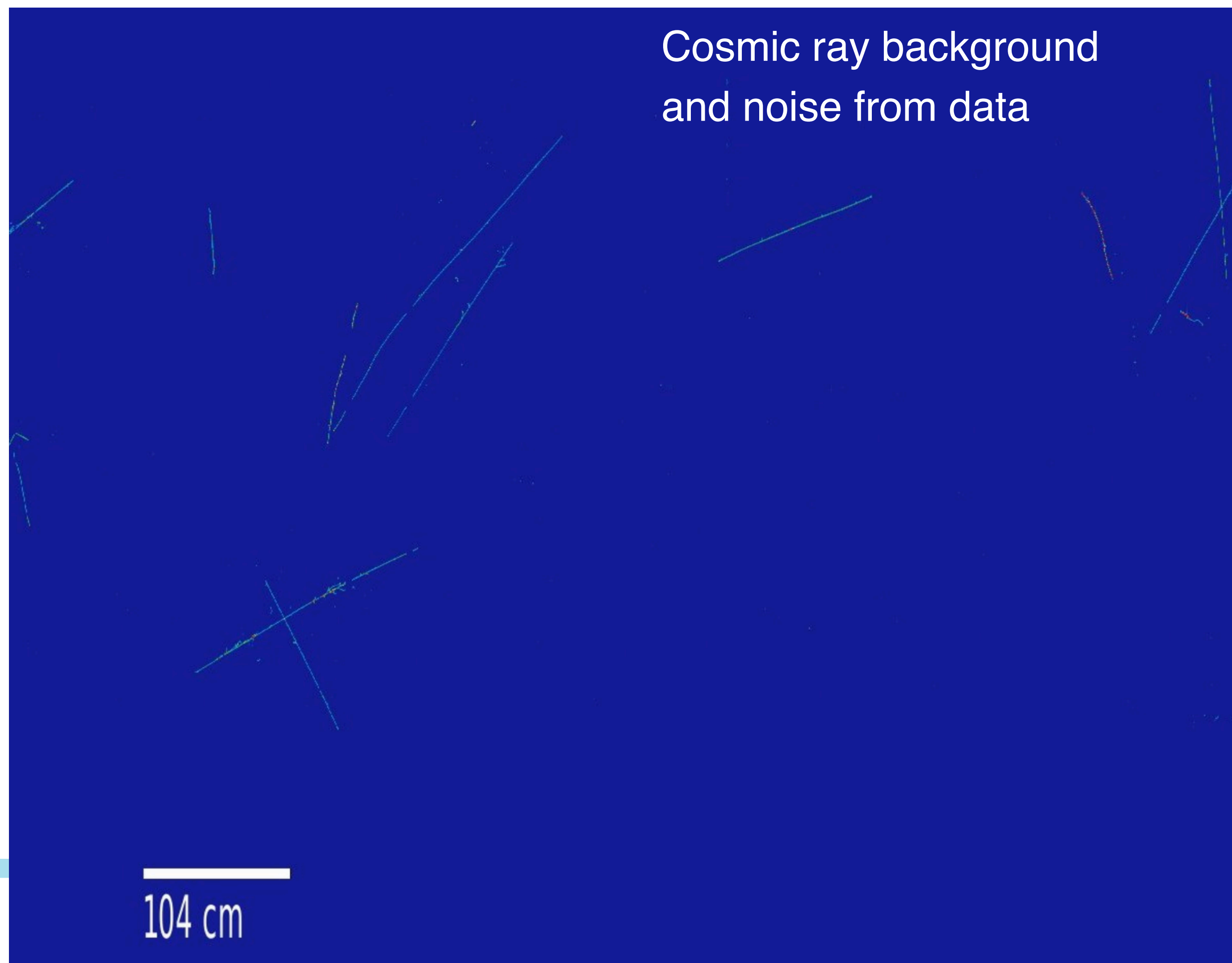


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Chapter 1: The Data

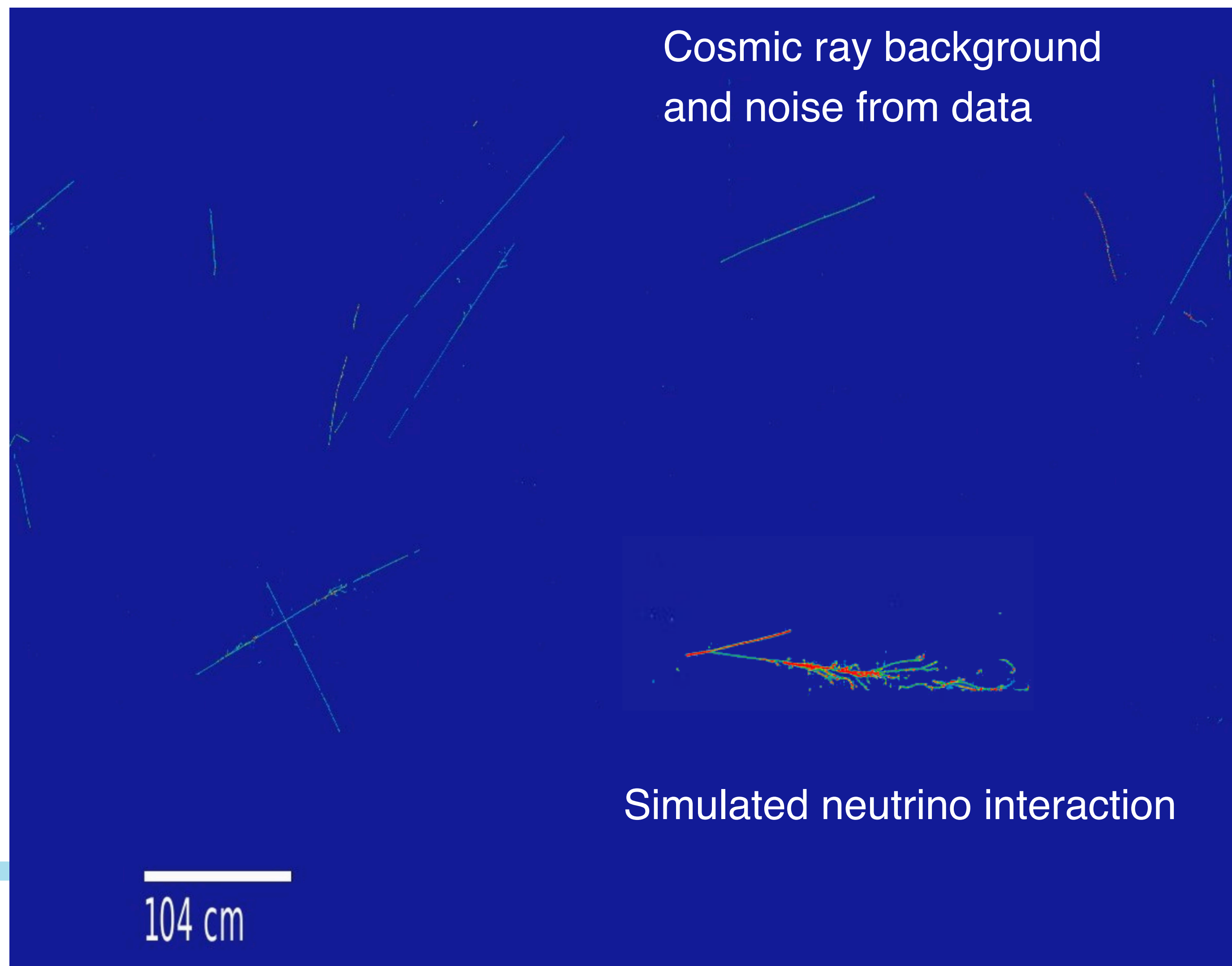
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MicroBooNE Open Samples — Overview

- Inspired by **FAIR** principles (findable, accessible, interoperable, reusable data)
- Samples available under “cc-by” license. Template text for acknowledgment is provided.
 - requesting resulting software products to be made available
- Two formats: targeting LArTPC and broader data & computer science communities
 - **art/ROOT** is the same format as used by the collaboration.
 - Files are stored on persistent **dCache** pool area and made accessible with **xrootd**
 - **HDF5** include a reduced subset of the art/ROOT information in a simplified format for usage by non-experts.
 - Files stored on **Zenodo**, providing citable DOI (digital object identifier) & versioning.
- Extensive documentation and tutorials are also made public.
 - Notebooks show how to access the data, demonstrate useful applications, define reference performance metrics

Sample	DOI	HDF5			artroot		
		N events	N files	size	N events	N files	size
Inclusive, NoWire	10.5281/zenodo.8370883	753,467	18	195 GB	1,046,139	24436	6.4 TB
Inclusive, WithWire	10.5281/zenodo.7262009	24,332	18	44 GB	24,332	720	136 GB
Electron neutrino, NoWire	10.5281/zenodo.7261921	89,339	20	31 GB	89,339	2151	761 GB
Electron neutrino, WithWire	10.5281/zenodo.7262140	19,940	20	39 GB	19,940	540	170 GB

Chapter 2: The Model

Breaking news!

NuGraph2: A Graph Neural Network for Neutrino Physics Event Reconstruction

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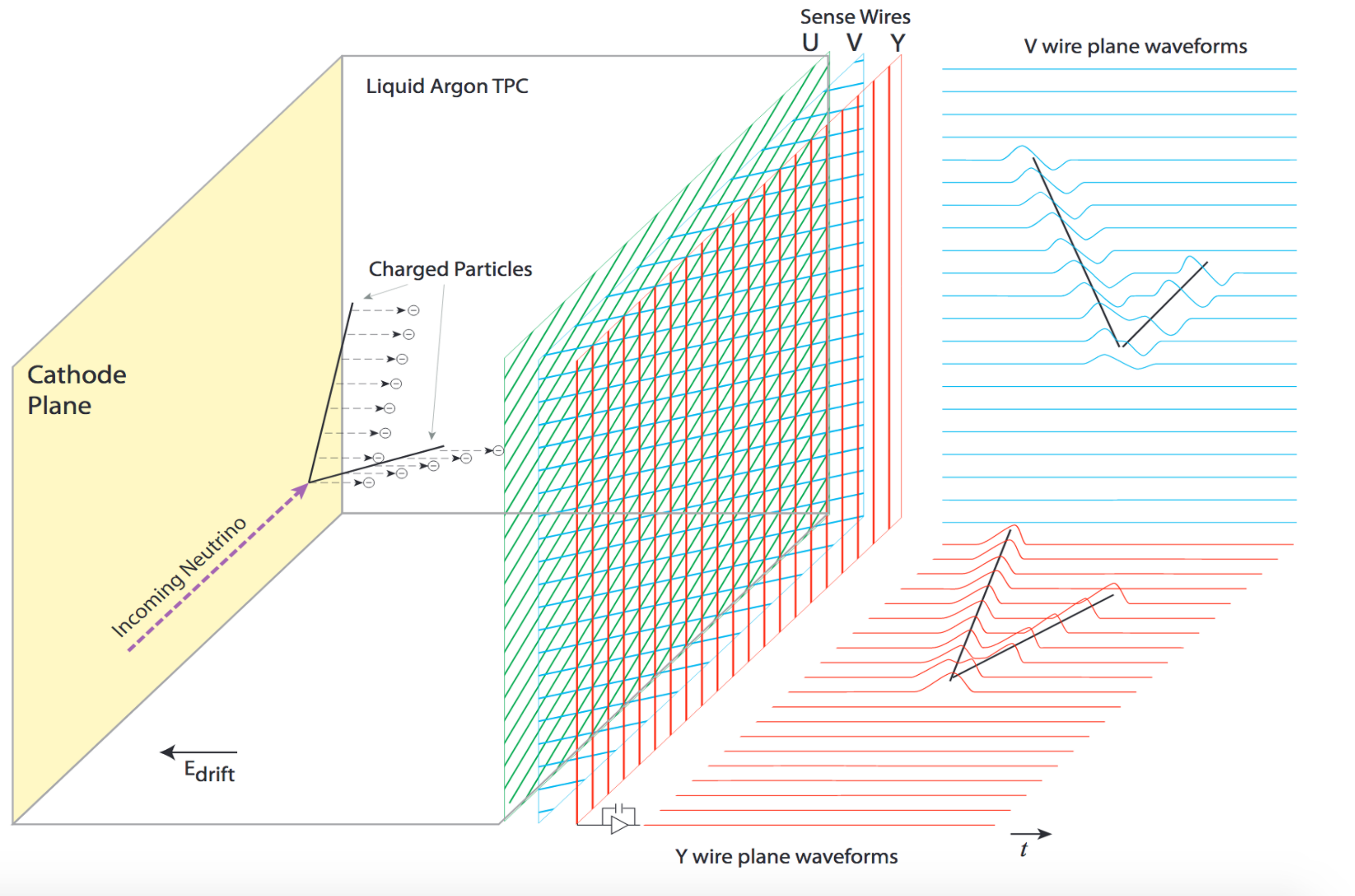
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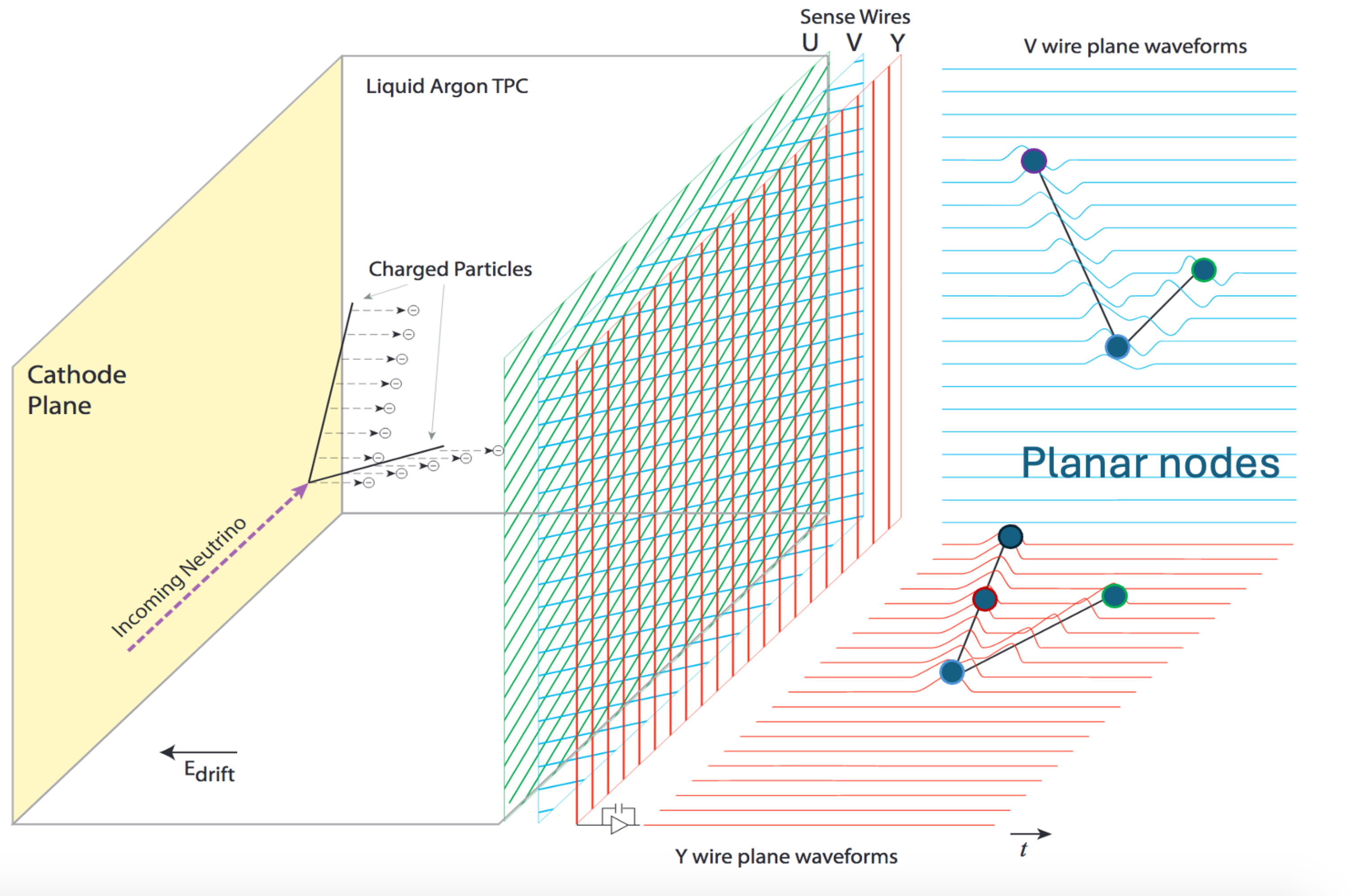
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- Paper accepted by Phys. Rev. D [arXiv:2403.11872]
- Preprocessed training data set and trained model available on Zenodo
 - <https://zenodo.org/records/12169756>

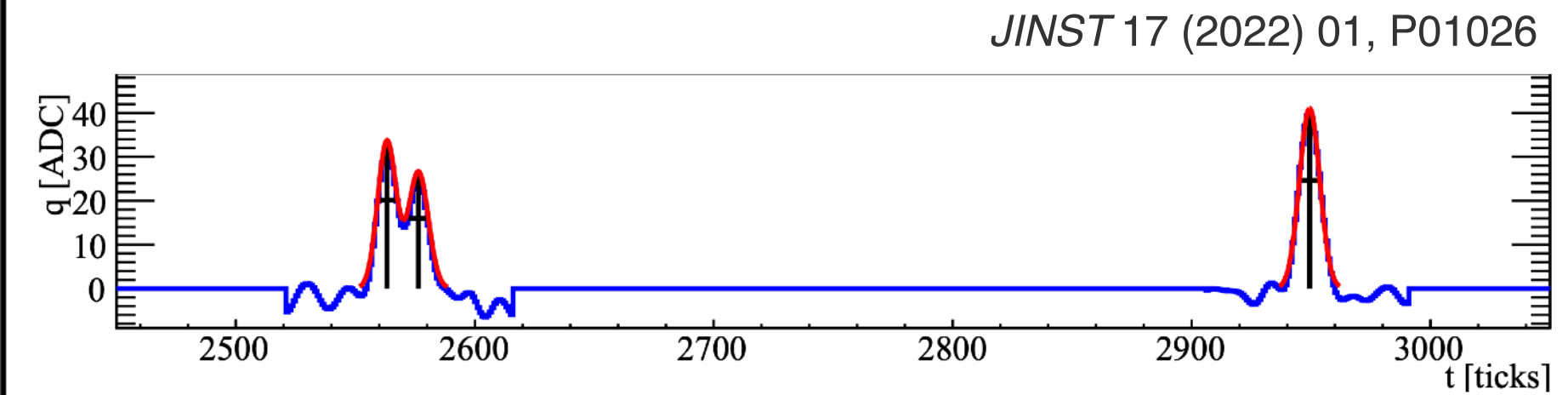
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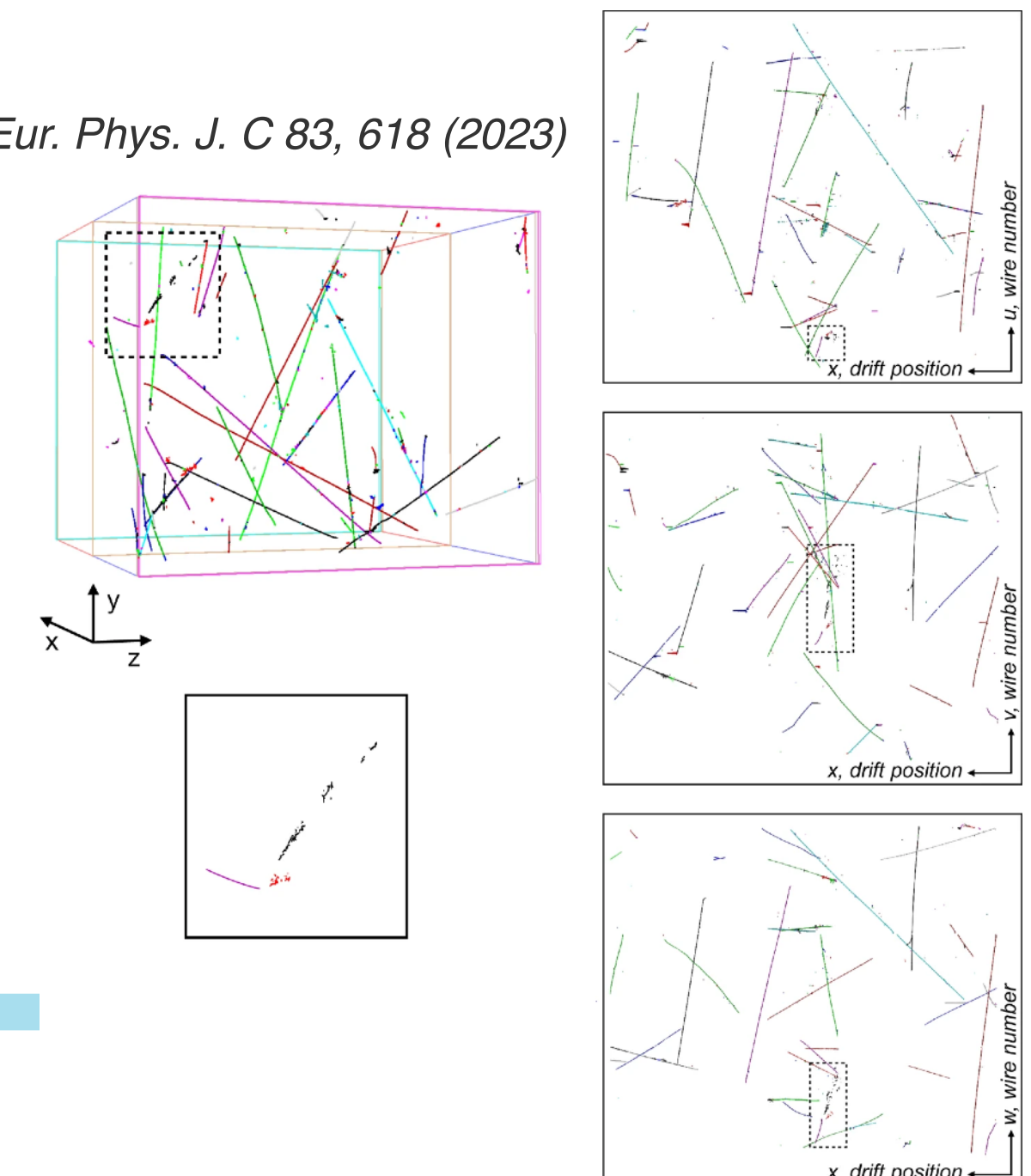
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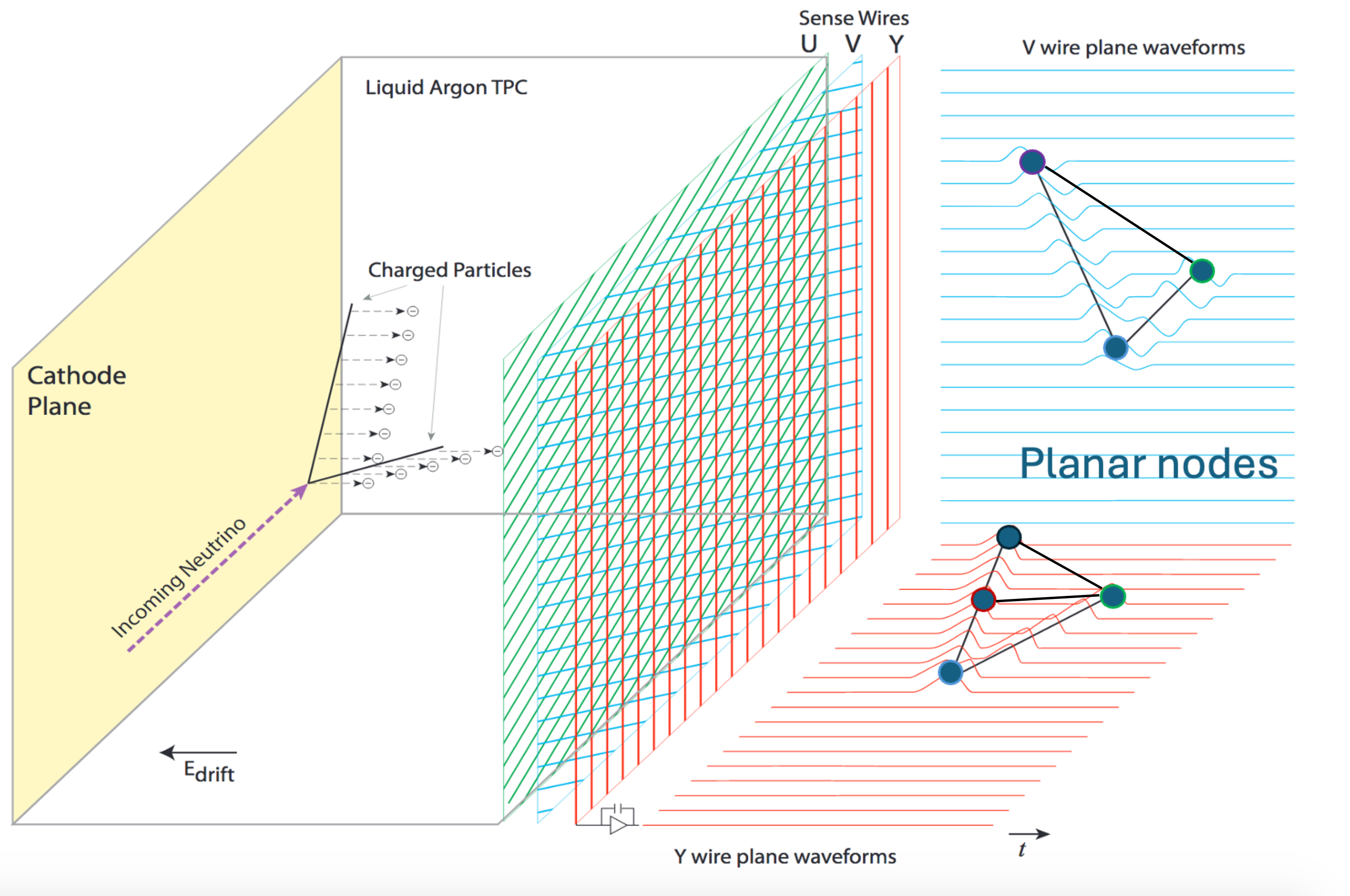
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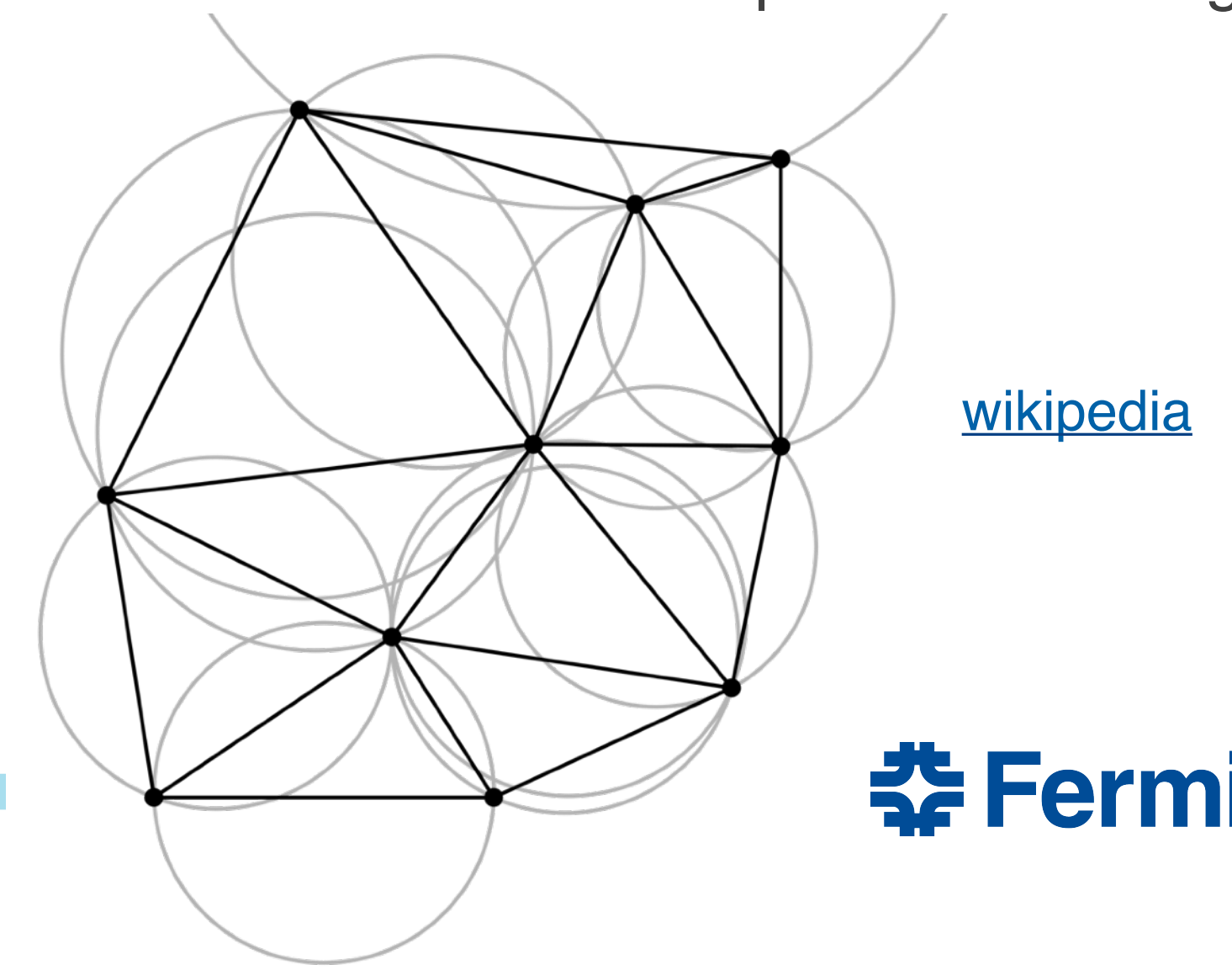
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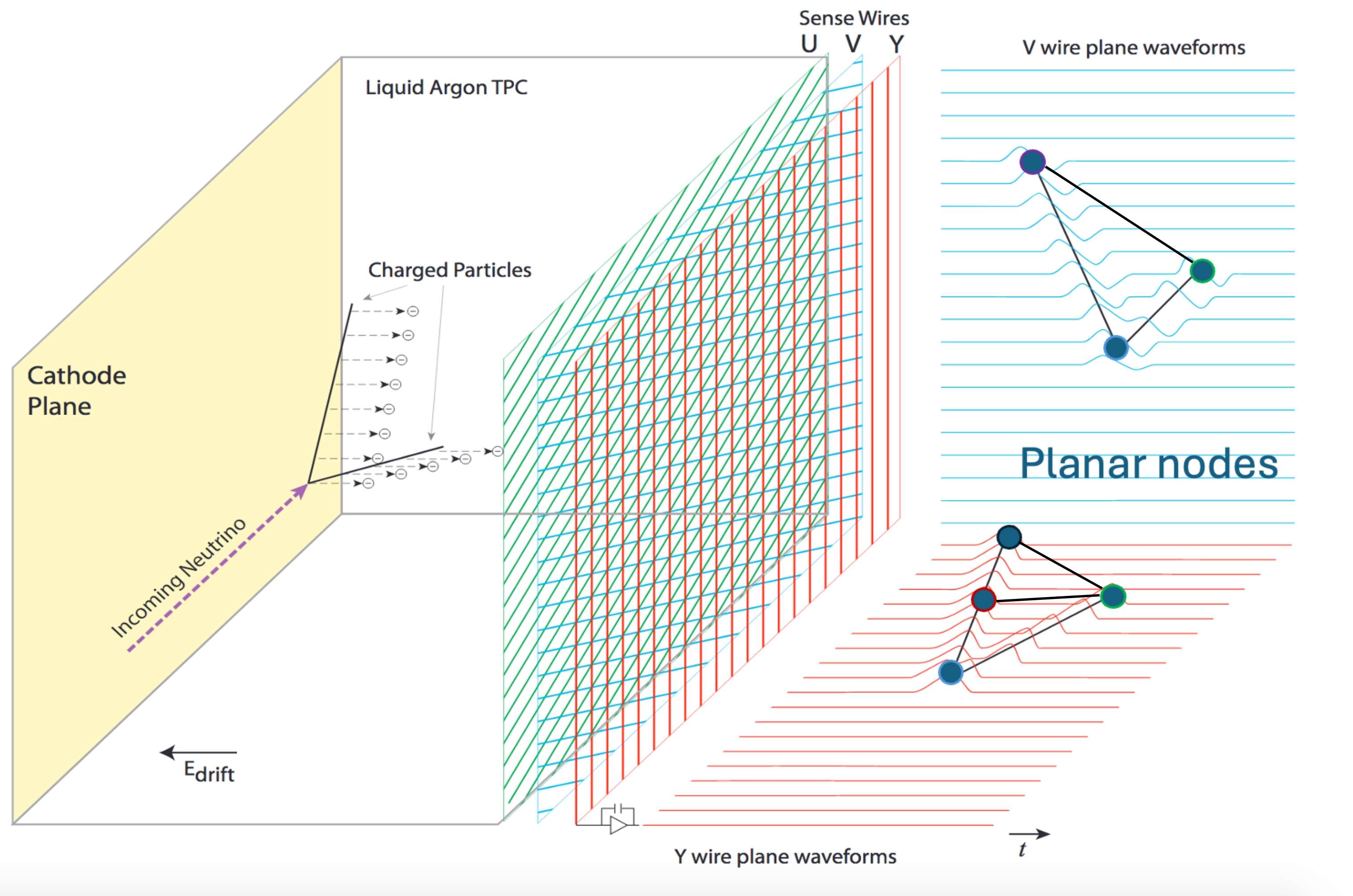
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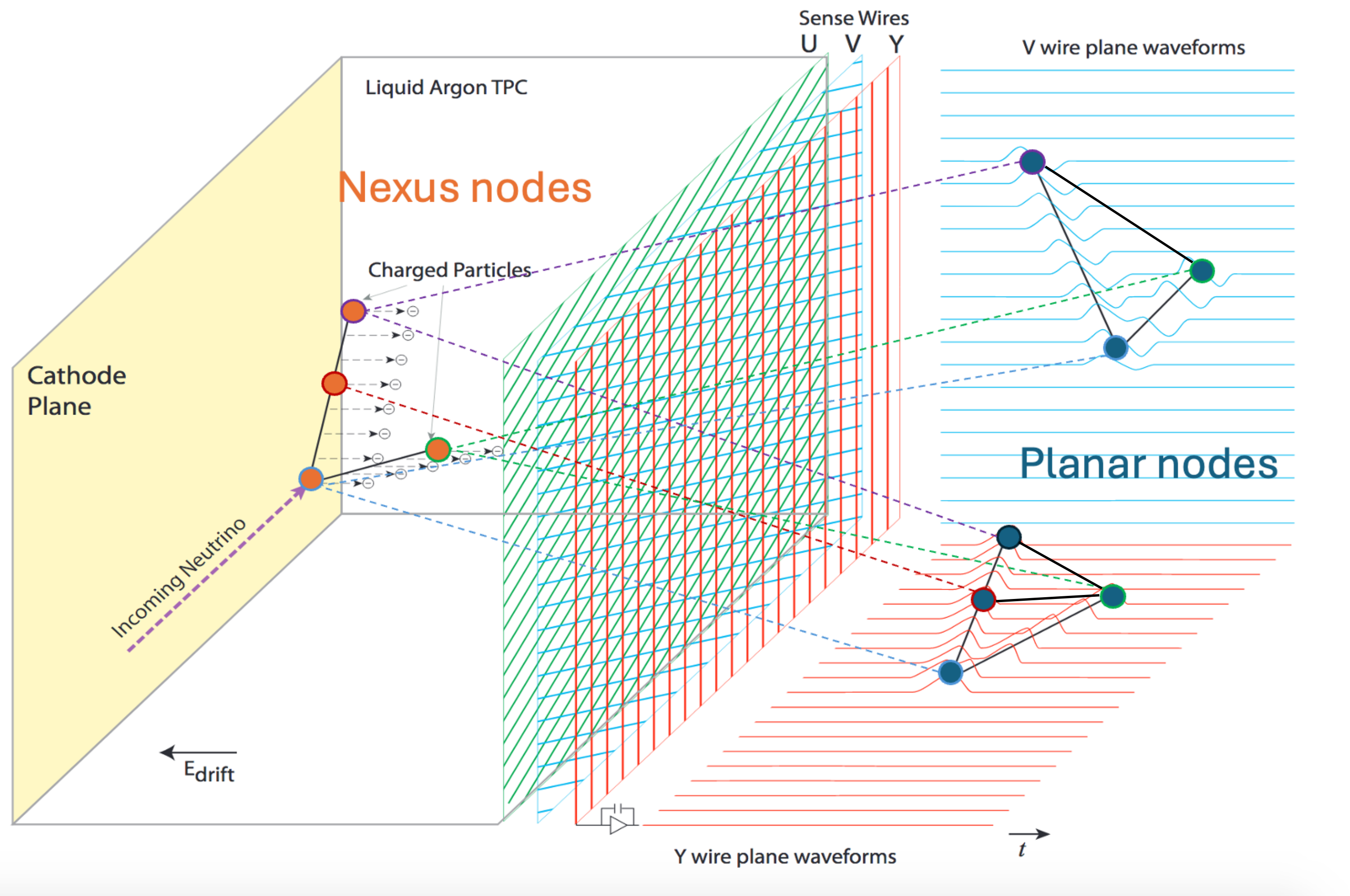


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Edge Type	Data Type	Labeling Scheme	Accuracy
Delaunay	2D	Simple	86.24%
Window	2D	Simple	76.9%
kNN	2D	Simple	81.14%
Radius	2D	Simple	78.58%

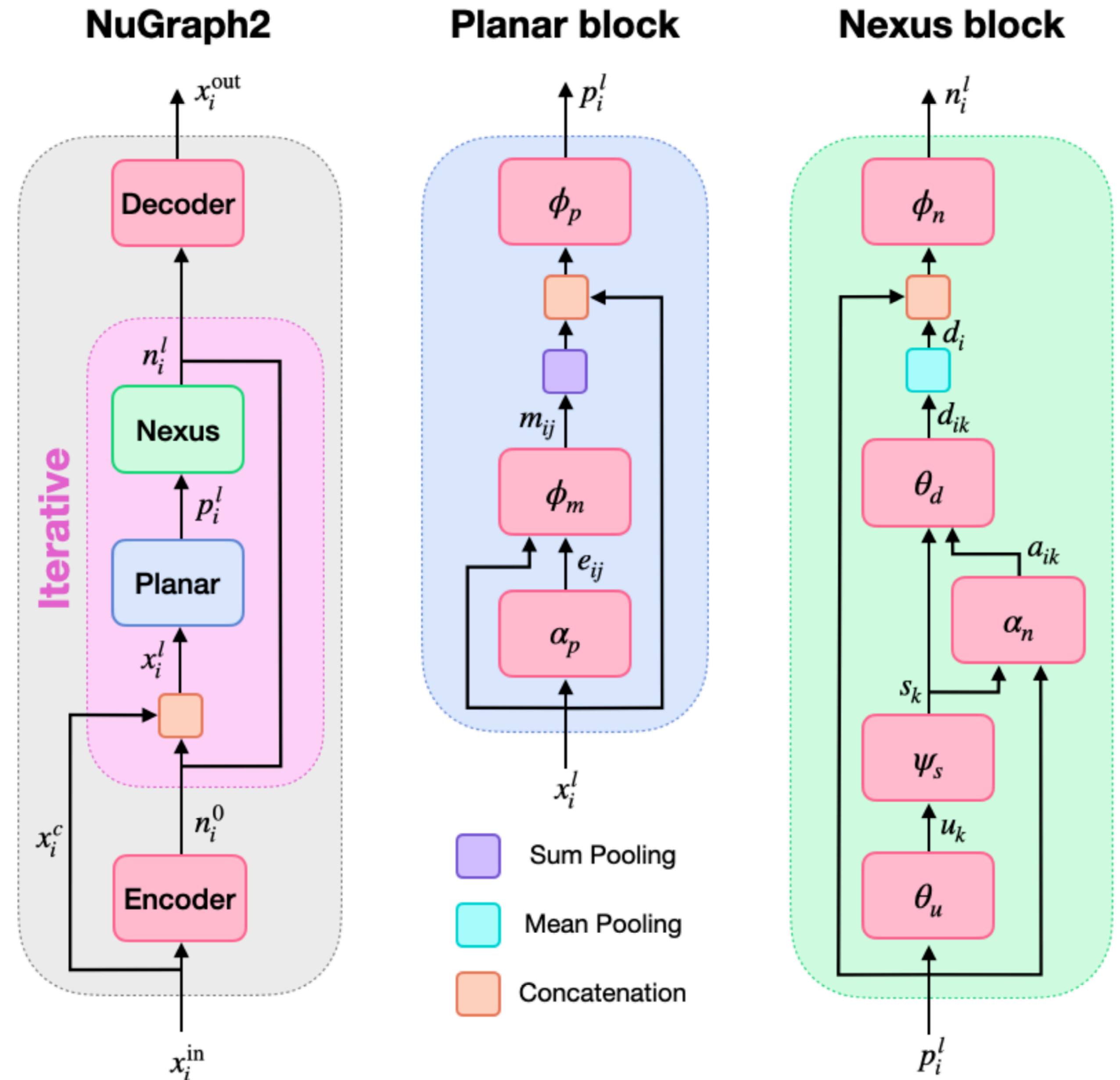
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- Hit associations to 3D SpacePoints create “nexus” connections across graphs in each plane
 - Currently defined by “Space Point Solver”
 - SPs are not connected among themselves
 - No input features for SPs

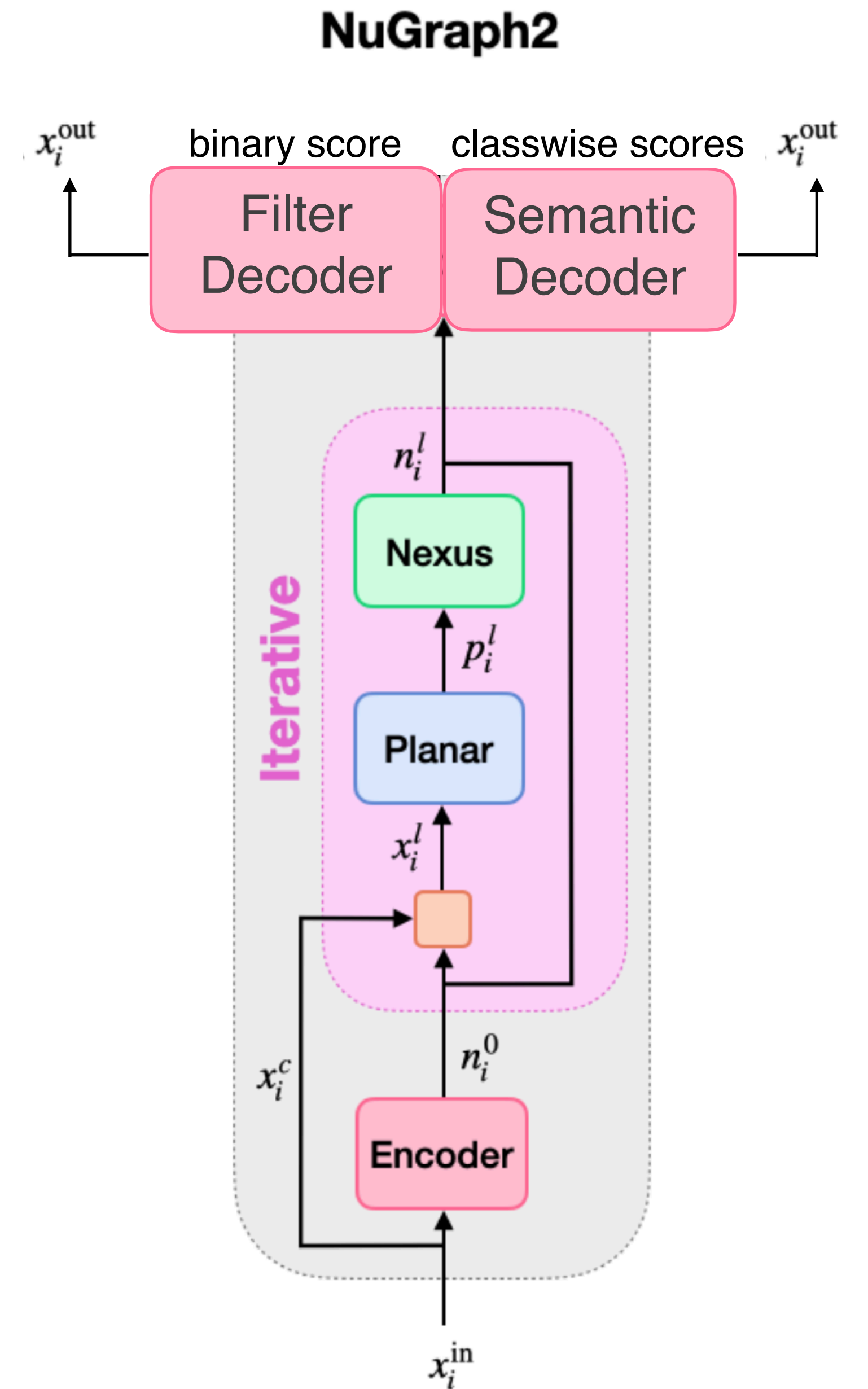
Network architecture

- NuGraph2's architecture is an iterative message-passing network.
- Each message-passing iteration consists of two phases:
 - Planar block: pass messages internally in each plane.
 - Nexus block: pass messages up to 3D nexus nodes to share context information.
- Messages are based on a categorical embedding:
 - Each semantic category is provided with a separate set of embedded features, which are convolved independently.
 - Context information is exchanged between different particle types via a categorical cross-attention mechanism.



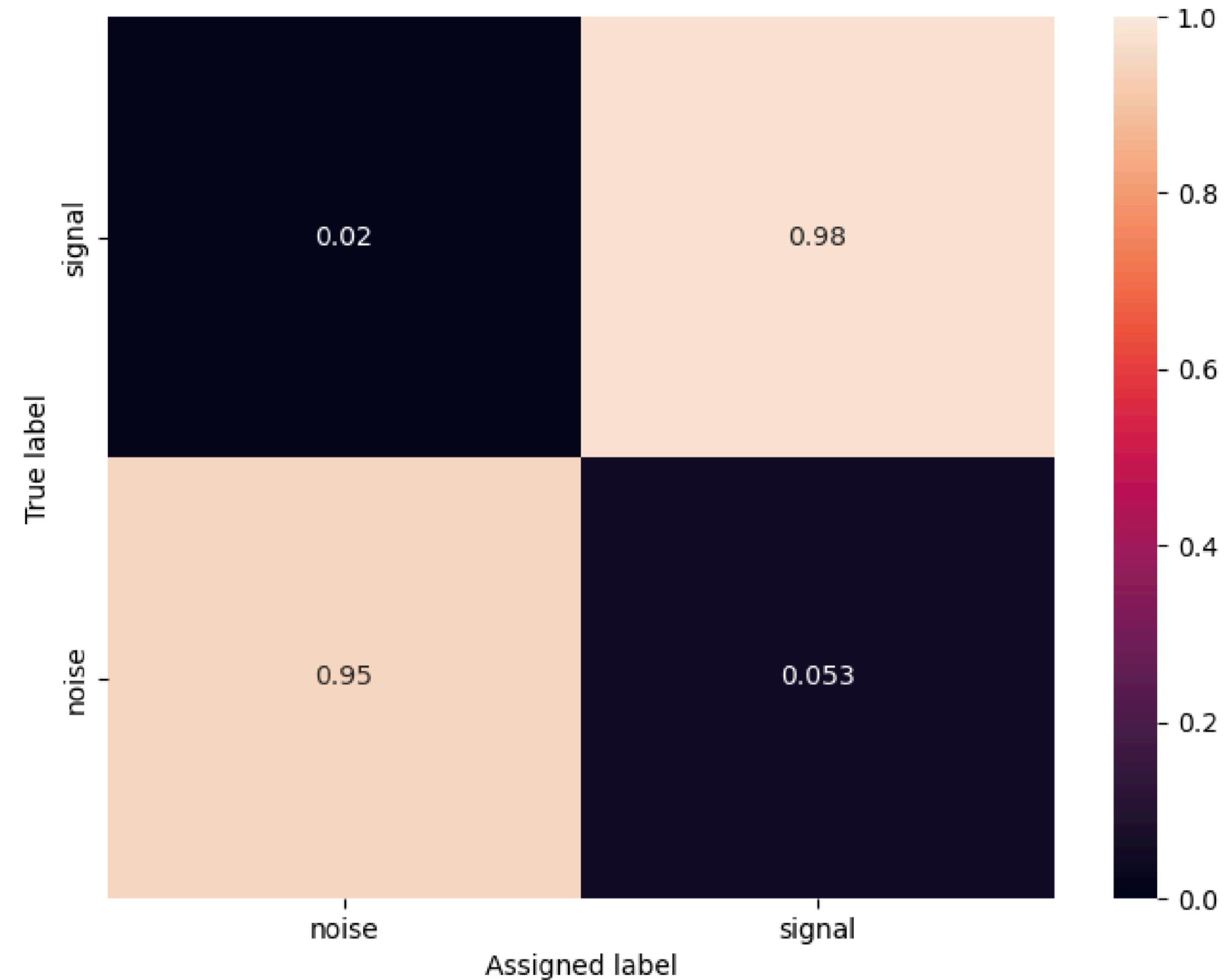
Decoders

- The last step at the end of the message passing network are the decoder steps
- Paper describes two node classifications decoders:
 - Semantic: classify each hit by particle type
 - Filter: separate hits from neutrino interaction from background
 - Output both class-wise scores from the semantic decoder and a binary score from the filter decoder
 - Same learned features are used as input to all decoders
 - Different loss functions weighted based on per-task variance ([arXiv:1705.07115](https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.07115))
- Work in progress on more decoders: neutrino flavor, vertex regression, object condensation
 - see Adam's talk!



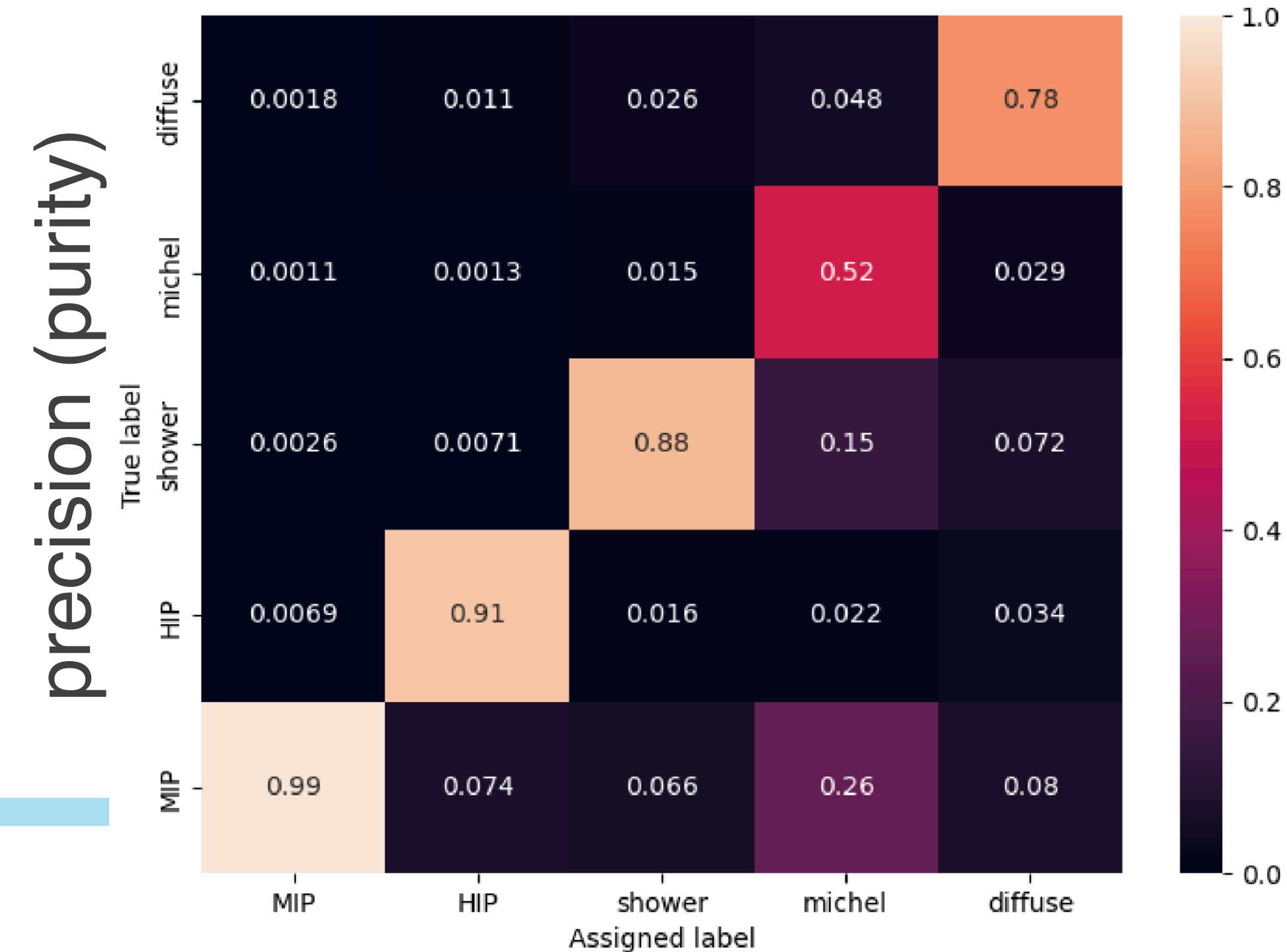
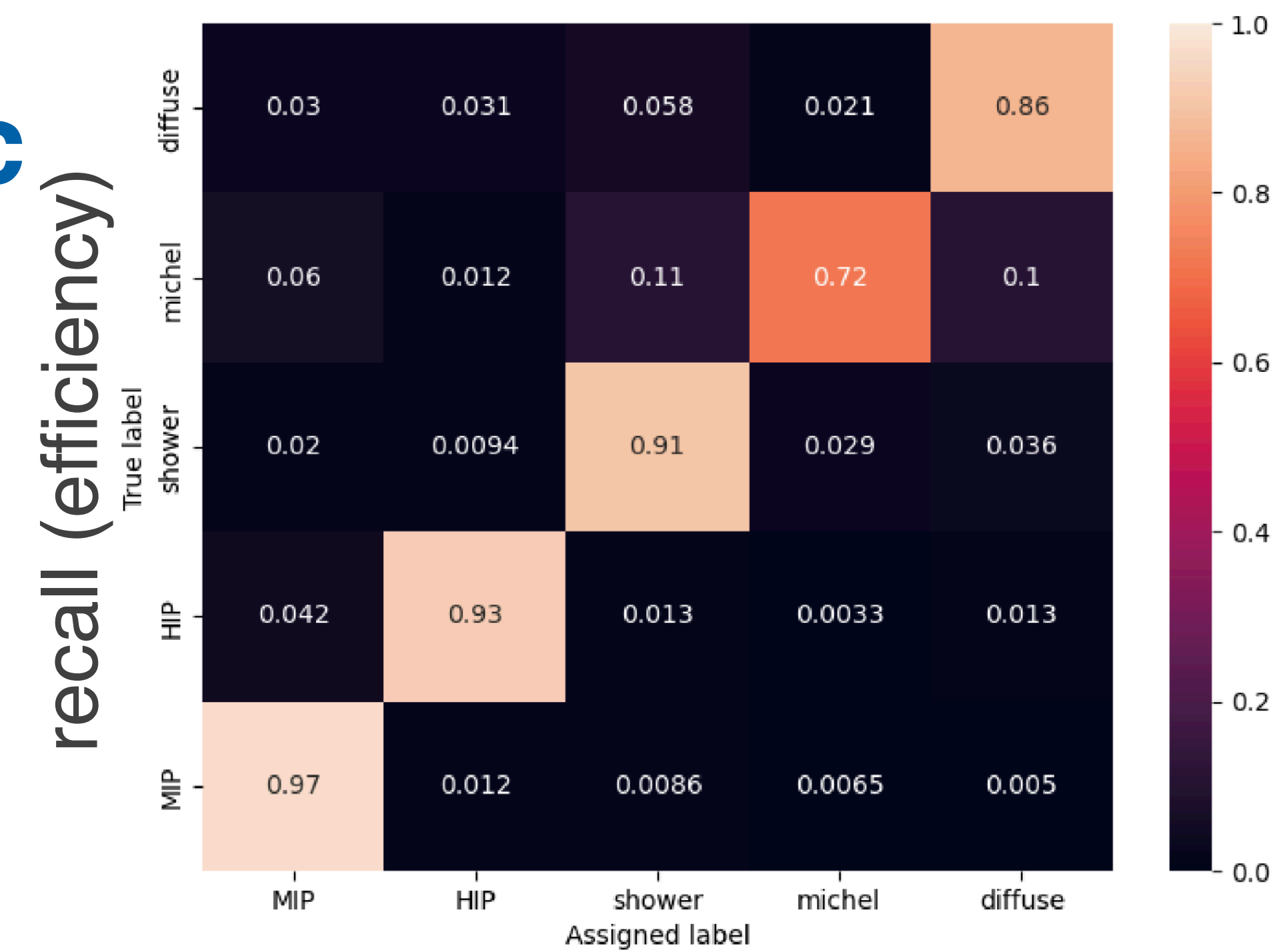
Performance on Simulation: Filter

- Decoder trained to separate neutrino-induced hits from background (noise or cosmic-induced hits)
 - Pandora slicing tends to prioritize completeness over purity
- Performance metrics:
 - recall and precision: ~ 0.98



Performance on Simulation: Semantic

- Decoder trained to classify each neutrino-induced hit according to particle type
- Use five semantic categories:
 - MIP: Minimum ionizing particles (muons, charged pions)
 - HIP: Highly ionizing particles (protons)
 - EM showers (primary electrons, photons)
 - Michel electrons
 - Diffuse activity (Compton scatters, neutrons)
- Performance metrics:
 - recall and precision: ~ 0.95
 - consistency between planes around 98%
 - compared to $\sim 70\%$ without 3D nexus edges

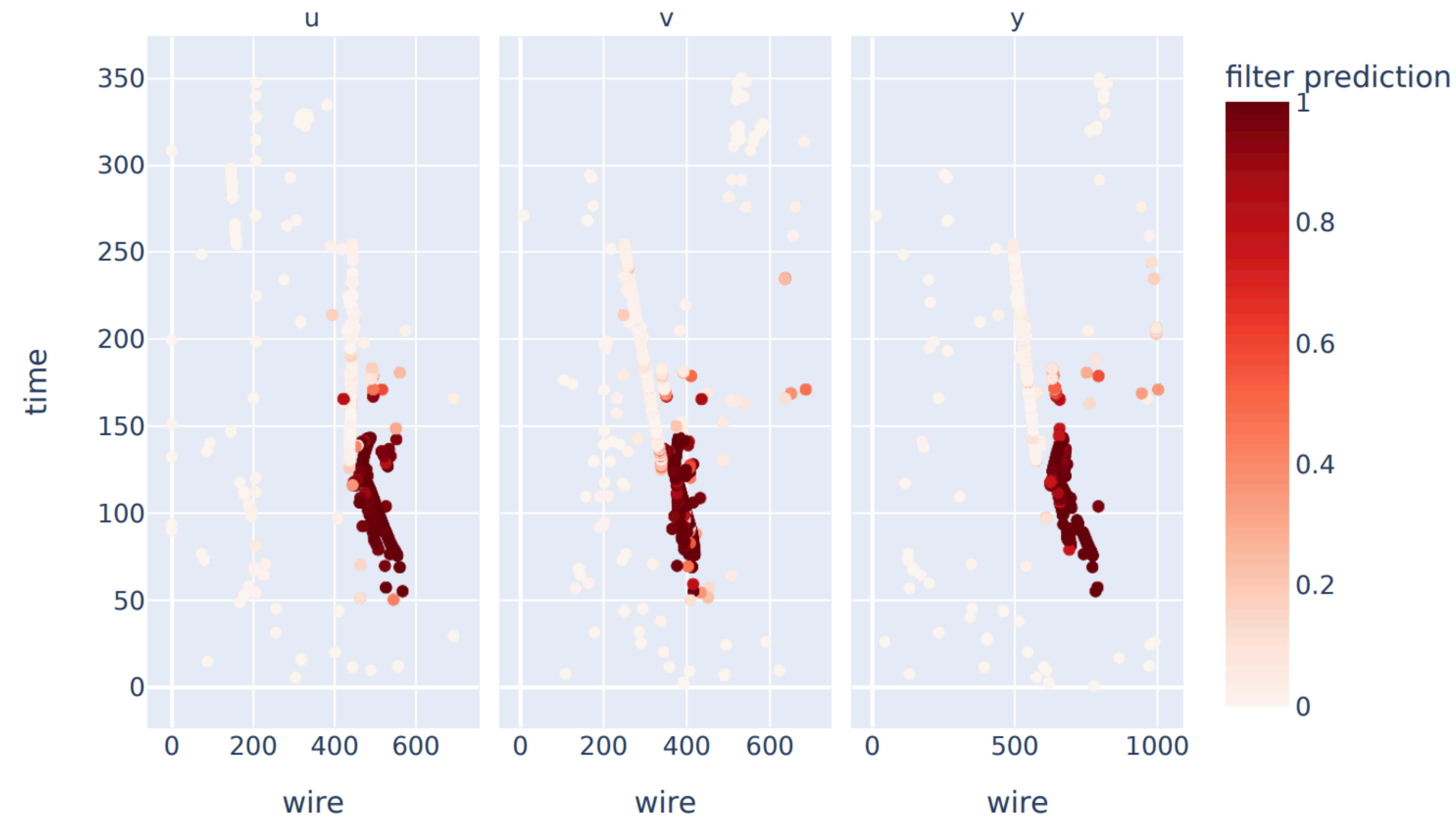


Performance on Simulation: Event Display

- Filter successfully rejects hits that are not from the neutrino interaction, including cosmic tracks that are close to it



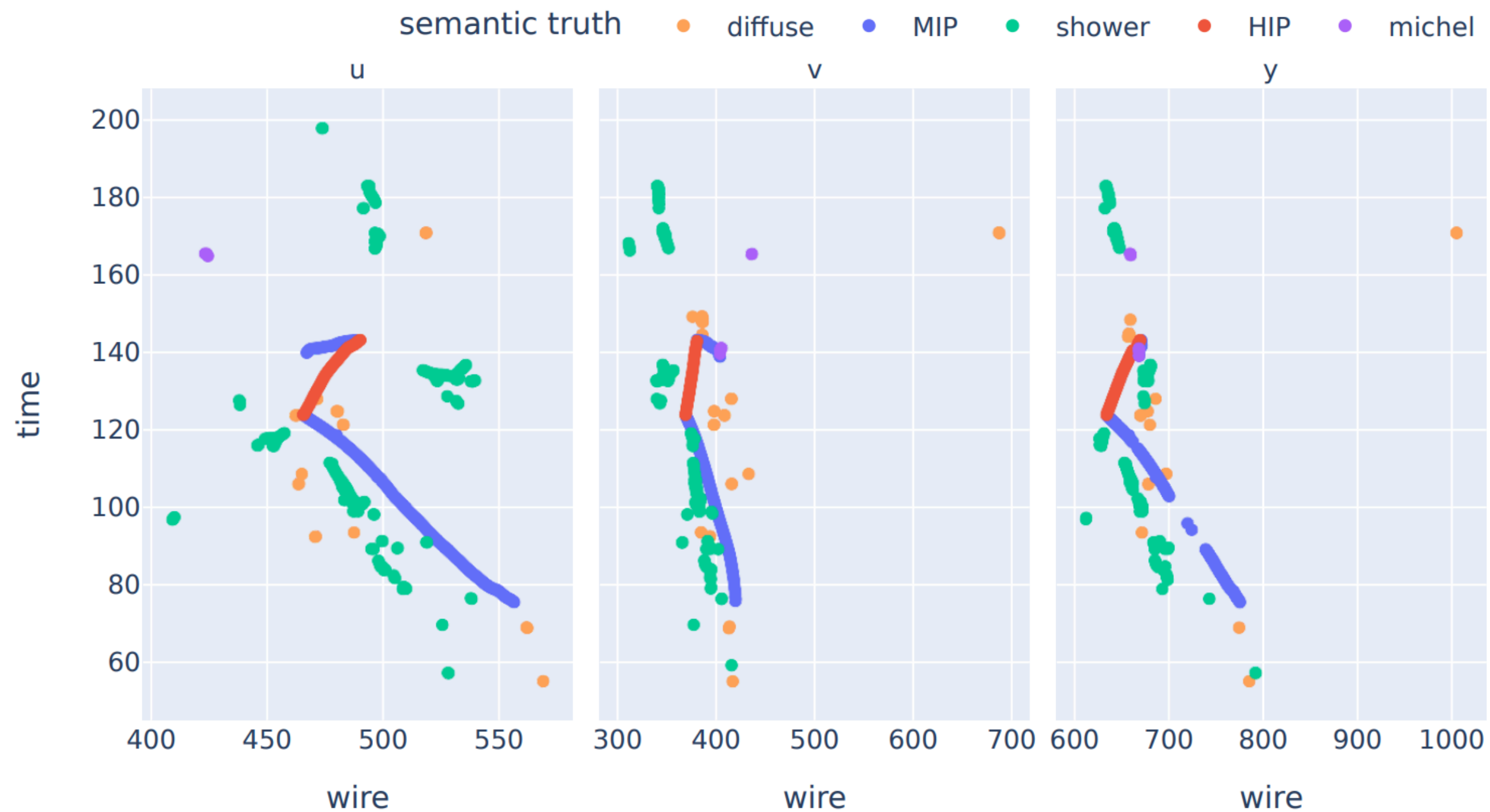
(a) Filter truth



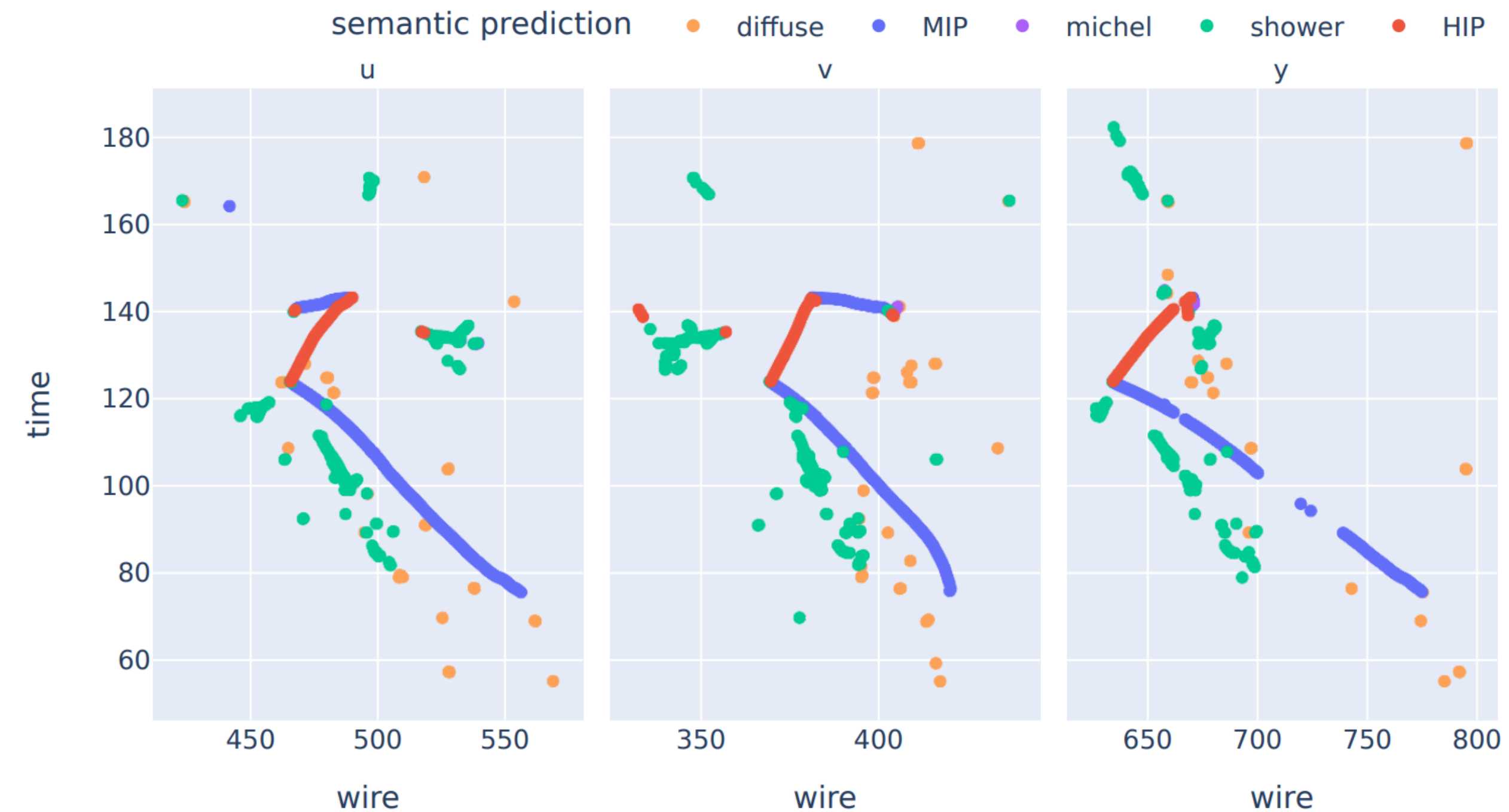
(b) Filter prediction

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- Semantic classification correctly classifies hits classes both in events with a simple topology and also in higher multiplicity events.



(c) Semantic truth, filtered by truth



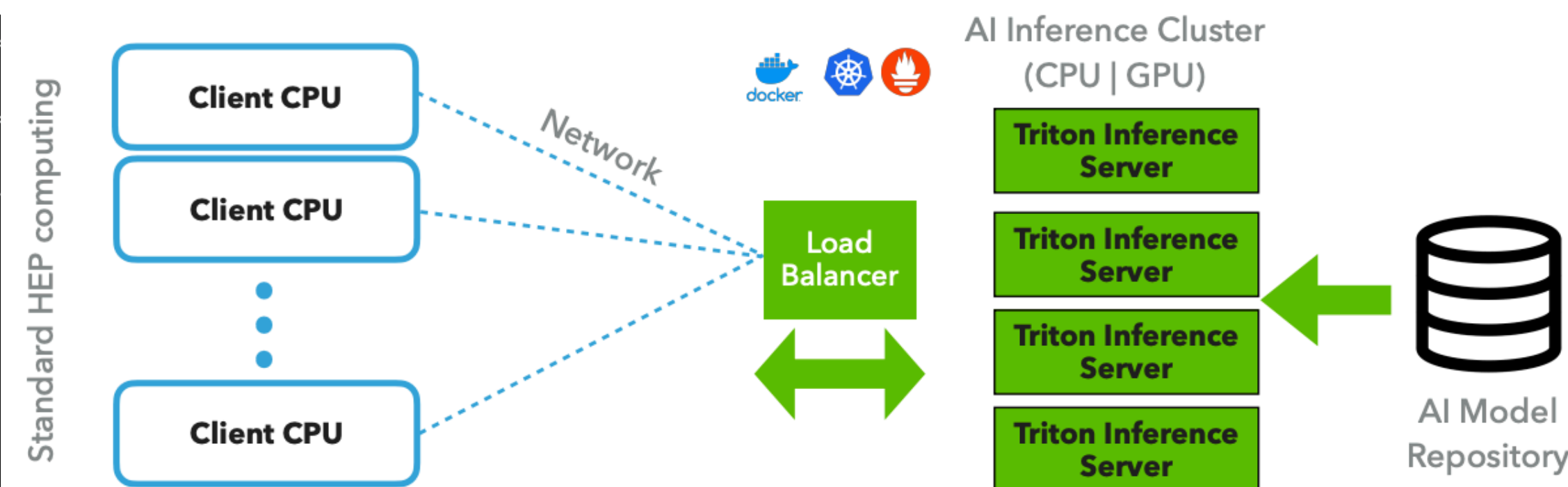
(d) Semantic prediction, filtered by prediction

Chapter 3: Deploying NuGraph2

Integration in LArSoft

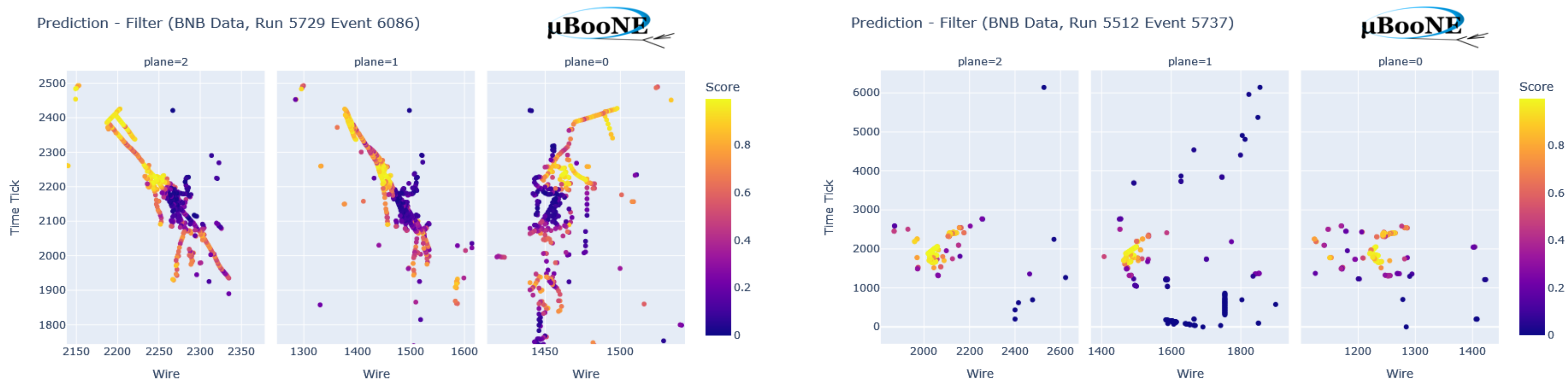
- NuGraph2 is integrated in the software framework for LArTPC experiments, LArSoft
- Model compiled with JIT and run using the libtorch C++ library.
 - Integrated a package for Delaunay triangulation as well.
 - Inference results are stored in the Event record for usage in downstream reconstruction and analysis.
- Inference module takes 0.75 s per event on CPU, including graph construction
- Enables running in production workflows for LArTPC experiments!
- Currently exploring more flexible integration methods based on NVIDIA Triton inference server (NuSonic: [arXiv:2009.04509](https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.04509))

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Full event	0.0450458	3.36097	87.7468	0.237533	12.1151	74
source:RootInput(read)	0.000725606	0.00255304	0.019421	0.00131291	0.00392539	74
reco:nuslhits:NuSliceHitsProducer	0.0411265	0.116099	0.55599	0.0900547	0.0817036	74
reco:sps:SpacePointSolver	0.000110578	2.48479	85.3879	0.000217748	11.6239	74
reco:NuGraph:NuGraphInference	4.7356e-05	0.74844	5.22709	8.83935e-05	1.14997	74
[art]:TriggerResults:TriggerResultInserter	1.4952e-05	2.38511e-05	6.7179e-05	2.1032e-05	9.54137e-06	74
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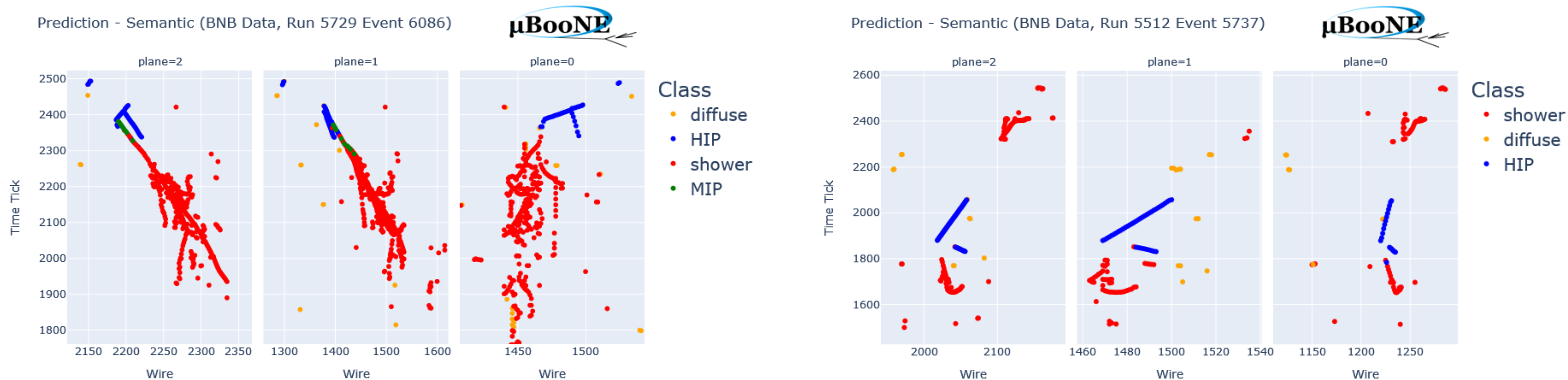
First Look at Performance in MicroBooNE Data

- First tests on MicroBooNE data events passing a loose ν_e CC preselection
- The filter decoder seems to overly reject shower hits from the neutrino interaction, so domain shifts between the training data set and the application data are being investigated.



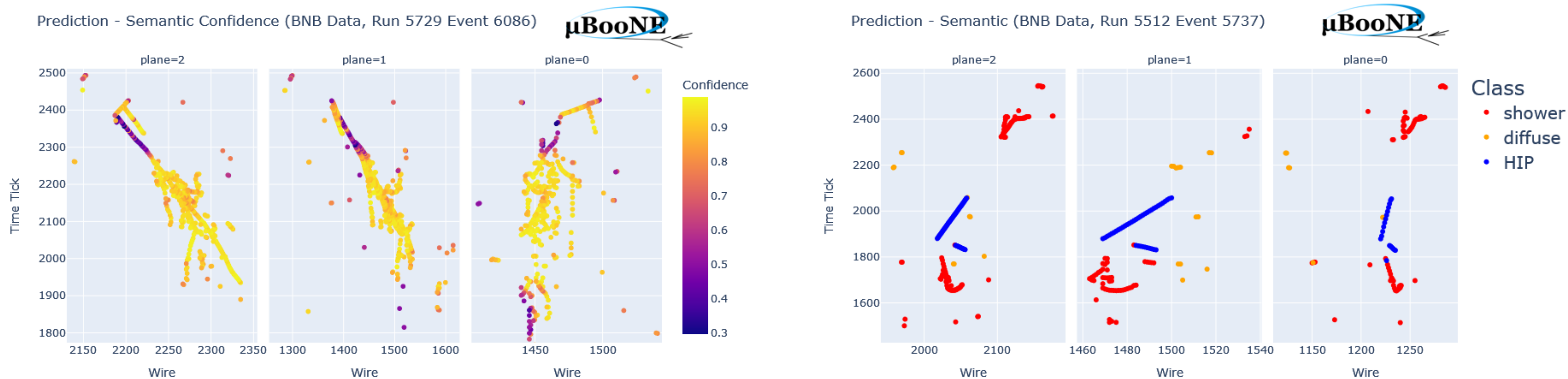
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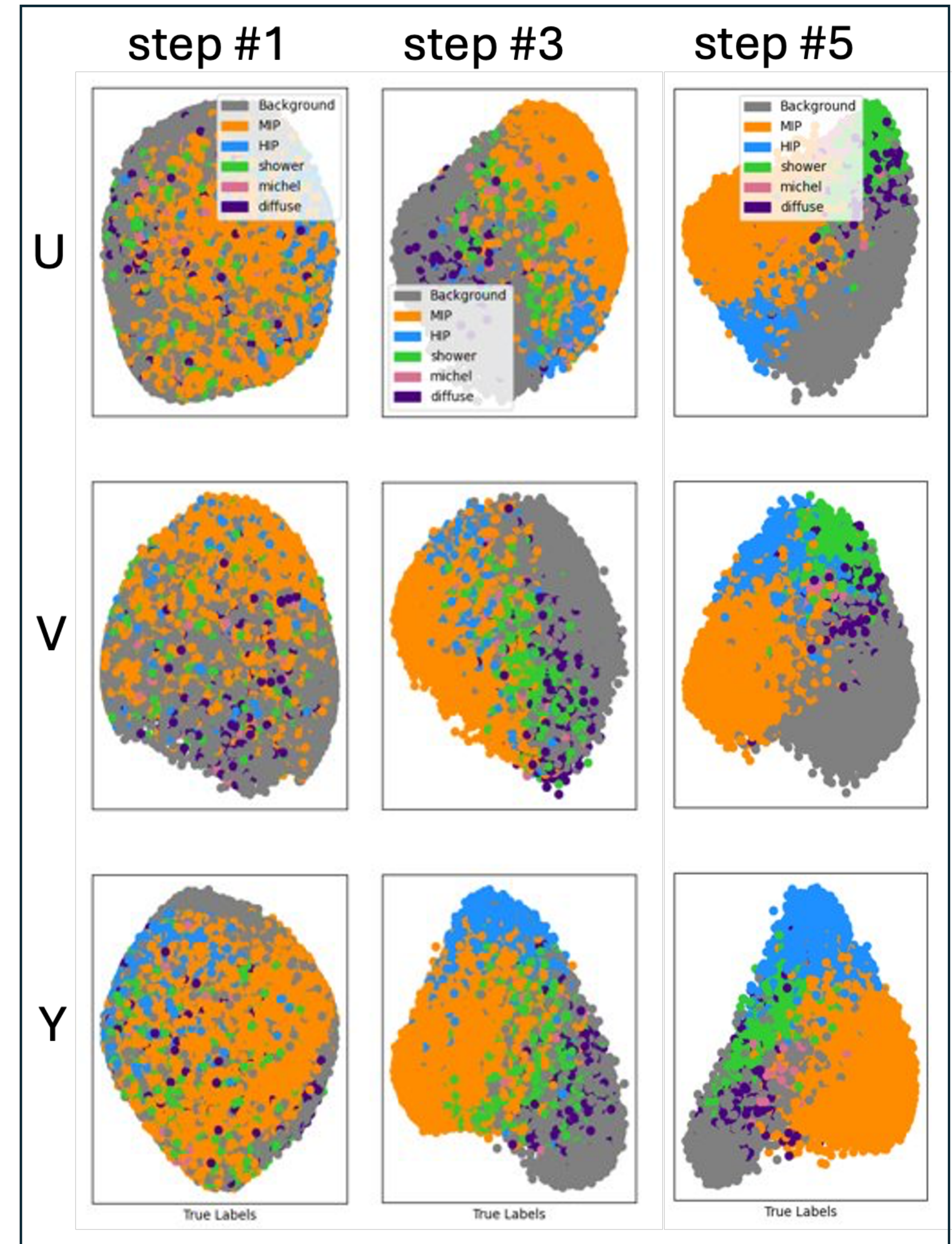
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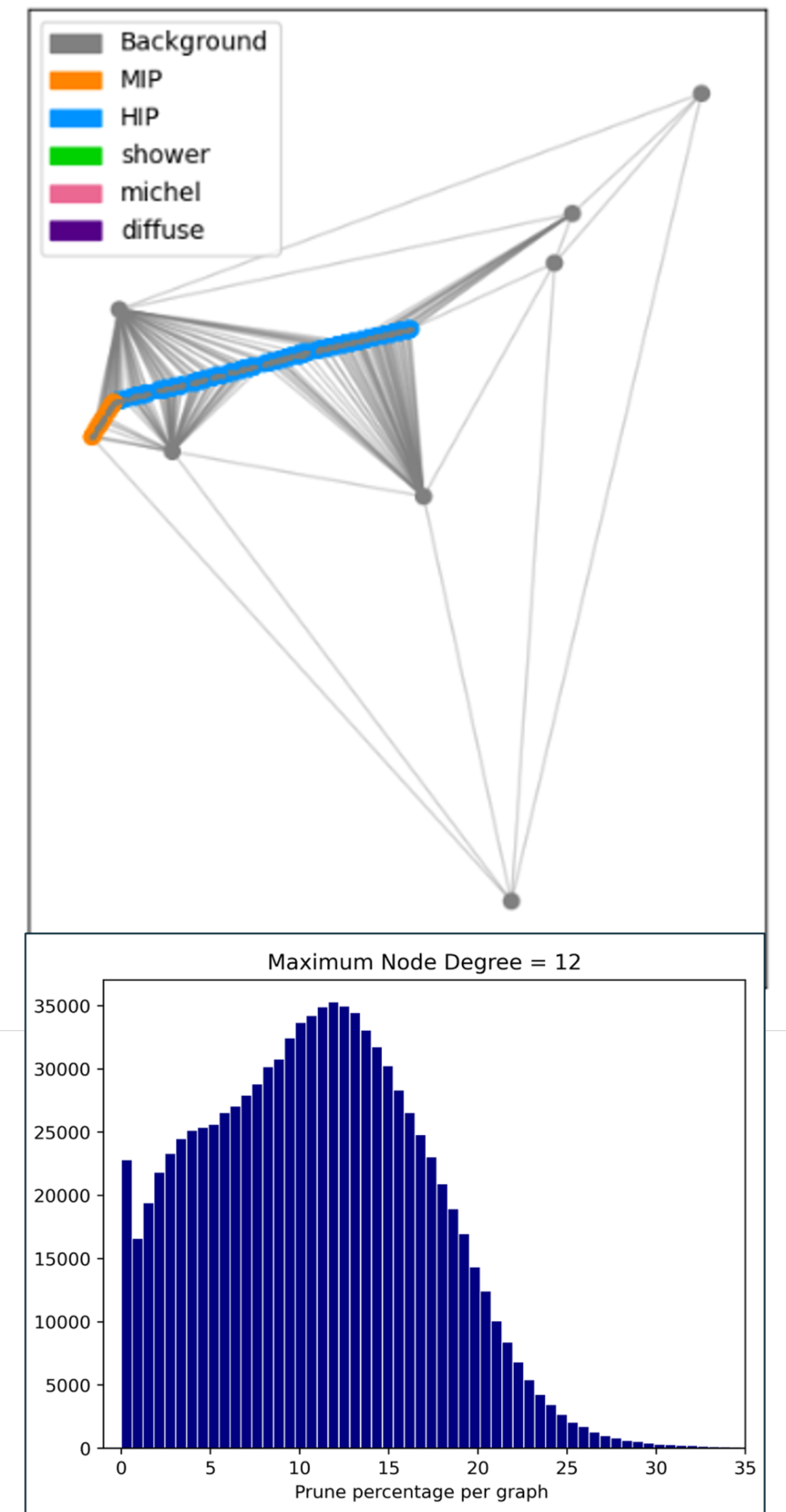
Network Explainability: Latent Space

- Explainability: Goal is to “open the black box” to build confidence and drive developments.
 - Find that some “standard” tools for GNN interpretability (e.g. GNNExplainer) struggle with our network
- First study is the visualization of latent space:
 - Cluster latent node features (320D space) and project in 2D for visualization
 - Clear separation between different categories is achieved by the last (5th) network message-passing iteration



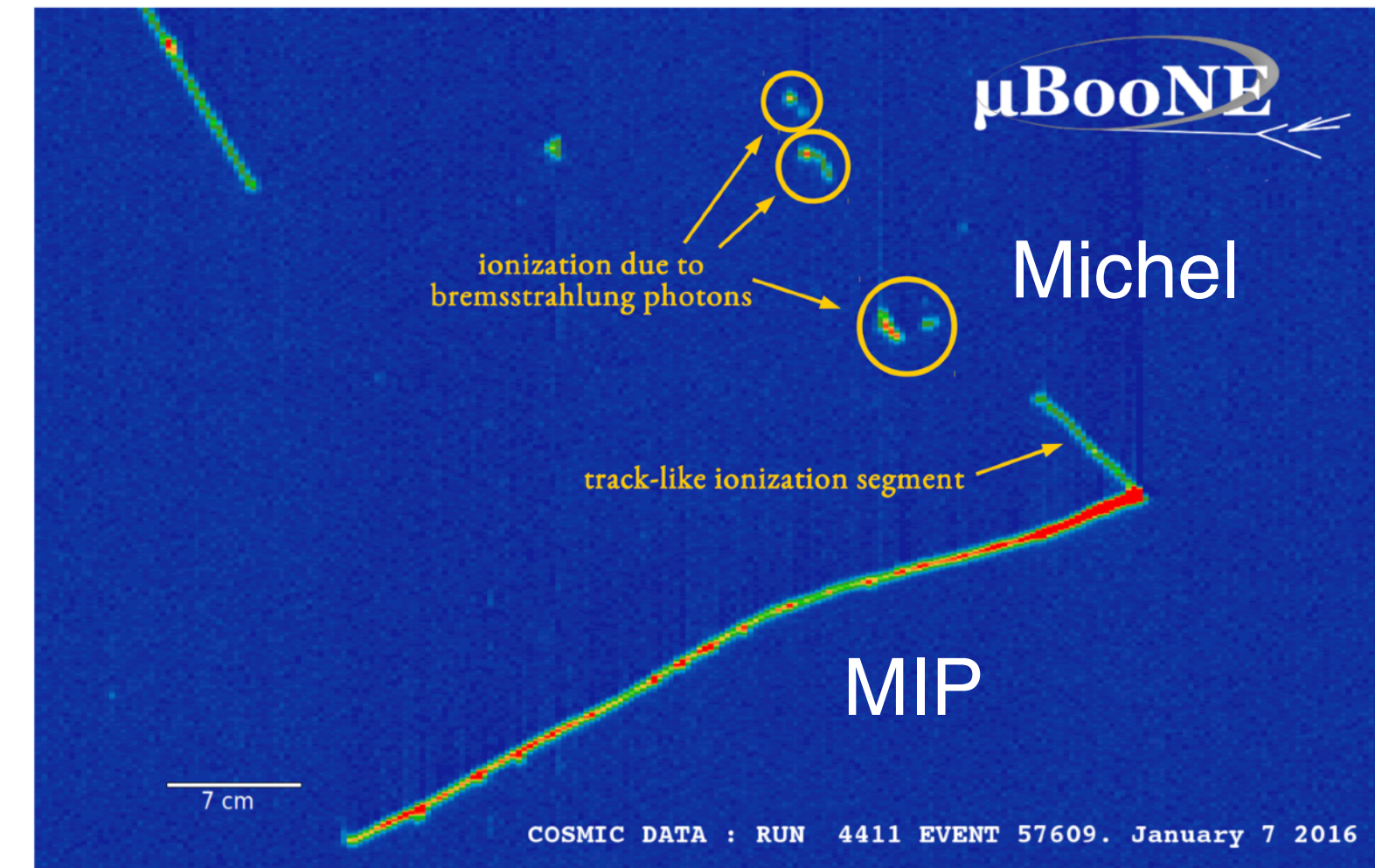
Network Explainability: “Hub Nodes”

- Understanding the role of “hub” nodes
 - Feature of Delaunay triangulation: detached nodes have large edge multiplicity and connect nodes within and across objects
 - These nodes introduce a large degree of redundancy, but also create a bridge for nodes at beginning/end of an object
- Performed a pruning test:
 - Aiming at understanding how many edges are essential and what are their properties
 - Find that 12 is the lowest upper bound in multiplicity without affecting performance, when pruning edges uniformly in terms of length
- Demonstrates that there is a degree of redundancy up to a few 10% of the edges, and that both short and long edges matter.
 - Can also lead to network speedups, both for training and inference



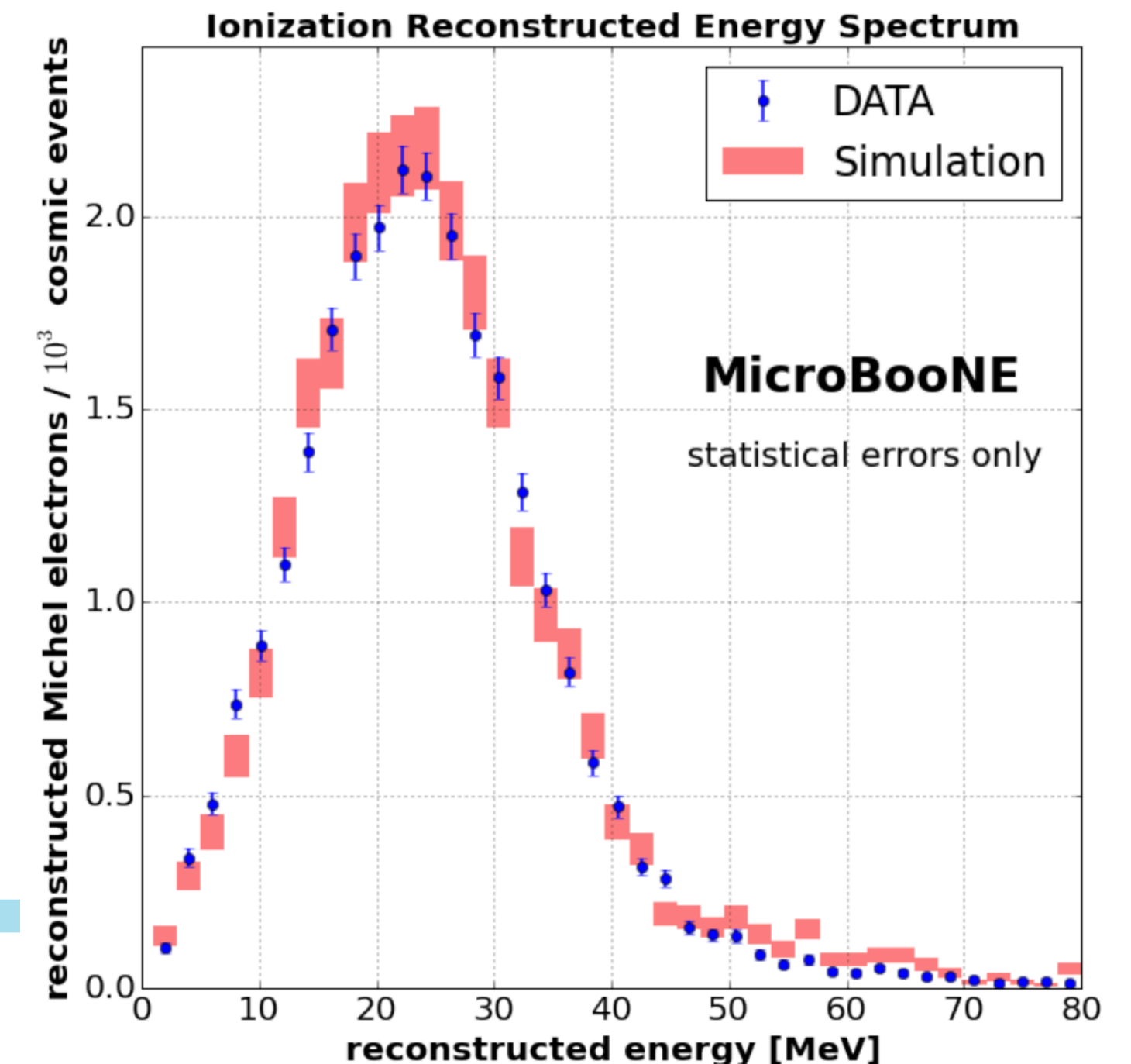
Injecting Physics Domain Knowledge: Michel electrons

- Michel electrons are the class least represented in our training dataset and the one with worst performance in terms of semantic classification
- Can we find ways to supplement the limited training data set and drive the network to learn better this category?



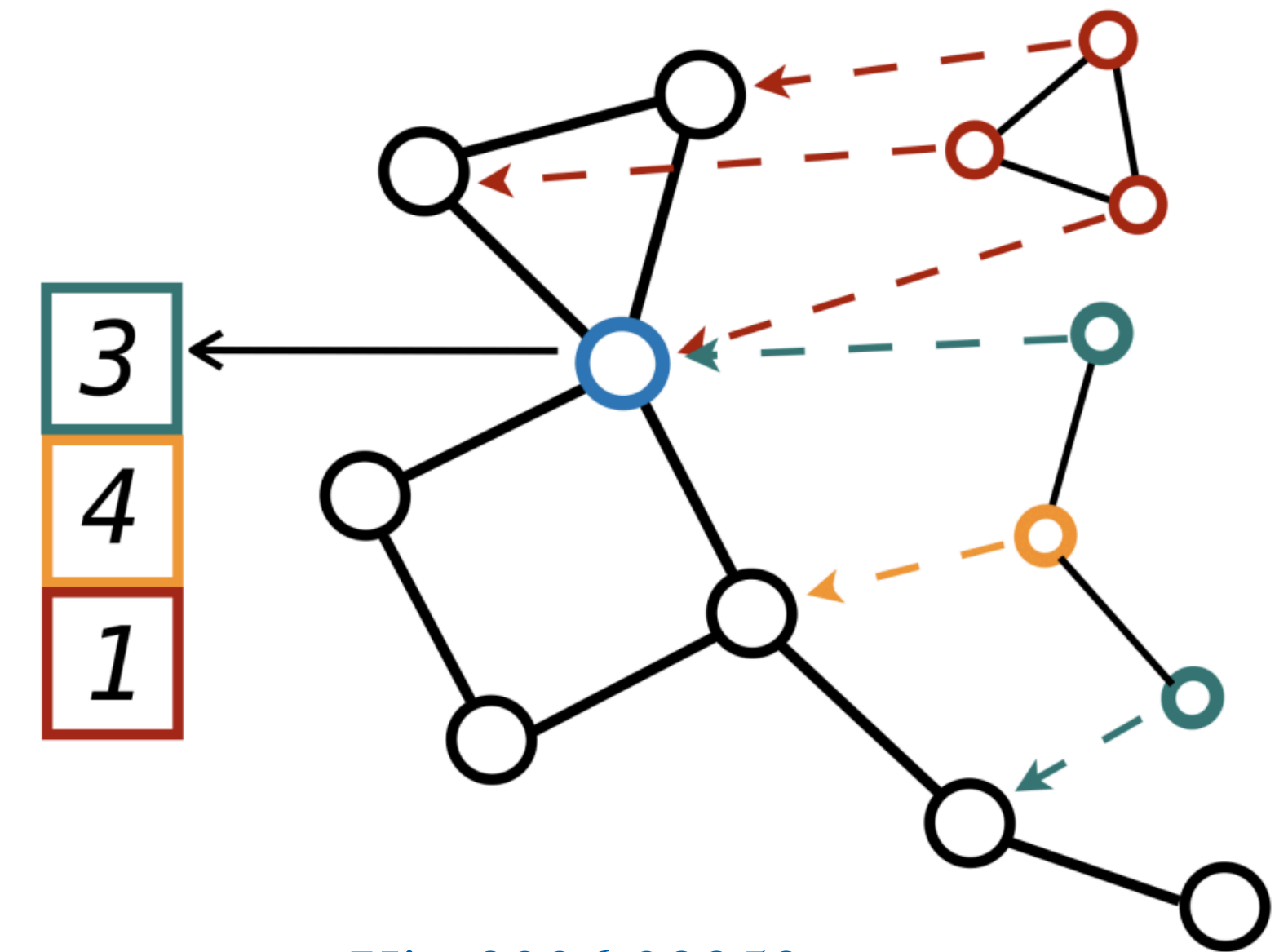
- A few ideas are being explored:
 - Michel electrons are the product of the decay at rest of a muon (MIP). Teach this correlation to the network by adding a decoder that predicts the fraction of hits in each class in the event
 - The Michel energy spectrum is a well defined function. Teach this property to the network by penalizing events where the sum of predicted Michel hit integrals is not compatible with the expected p.d.f.
- Results for these tests are coming soon!

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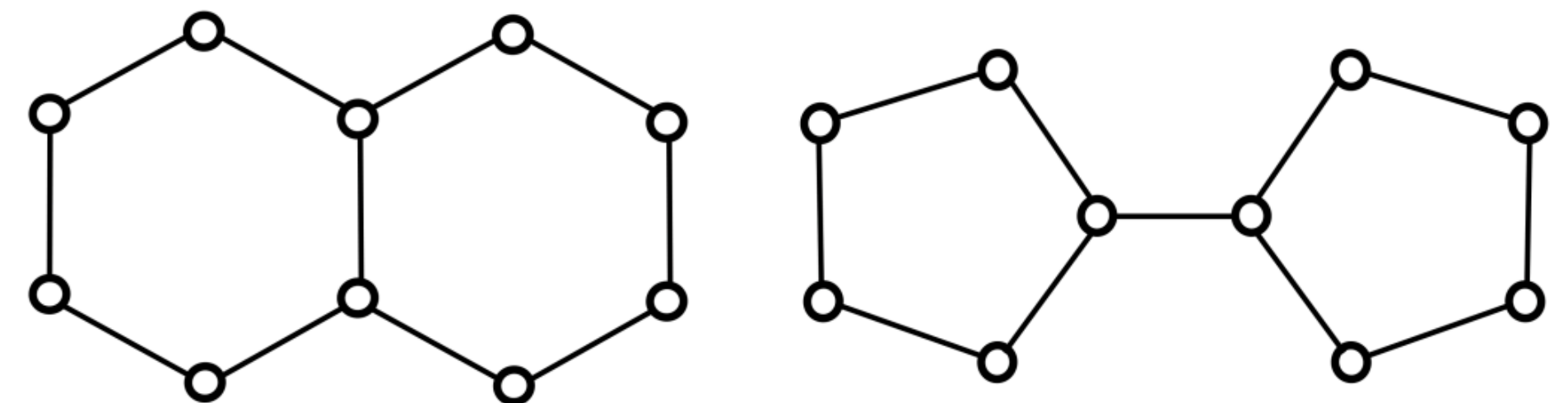


Injecting Physics Domain Knowledge: Augmented Features

- It turns out that GNNs are not aware of the structural role of nodes
 - They do not learn the graph structure
 - GNNs do not distinguish graphs that are isomorphic according to the Weisfeiler-Lehman test
- Adding the graph structural information (e.g. triangles, circles) may help with classification
 - This can be implemented by a structure-aware message passing which contains structural information about the nodes



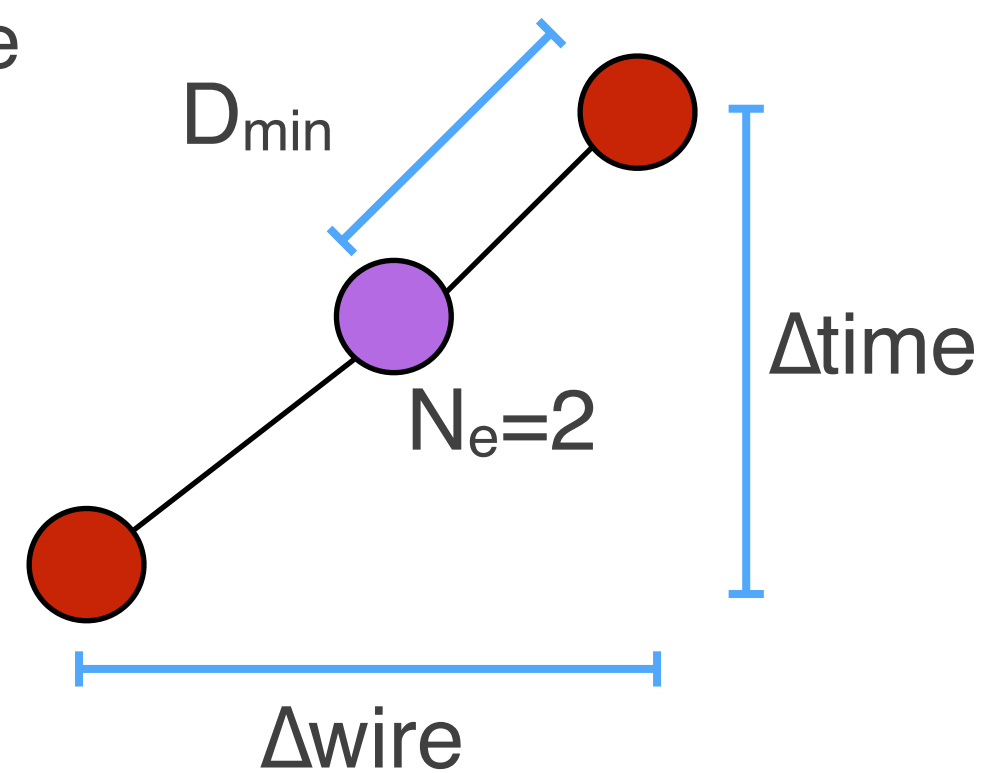
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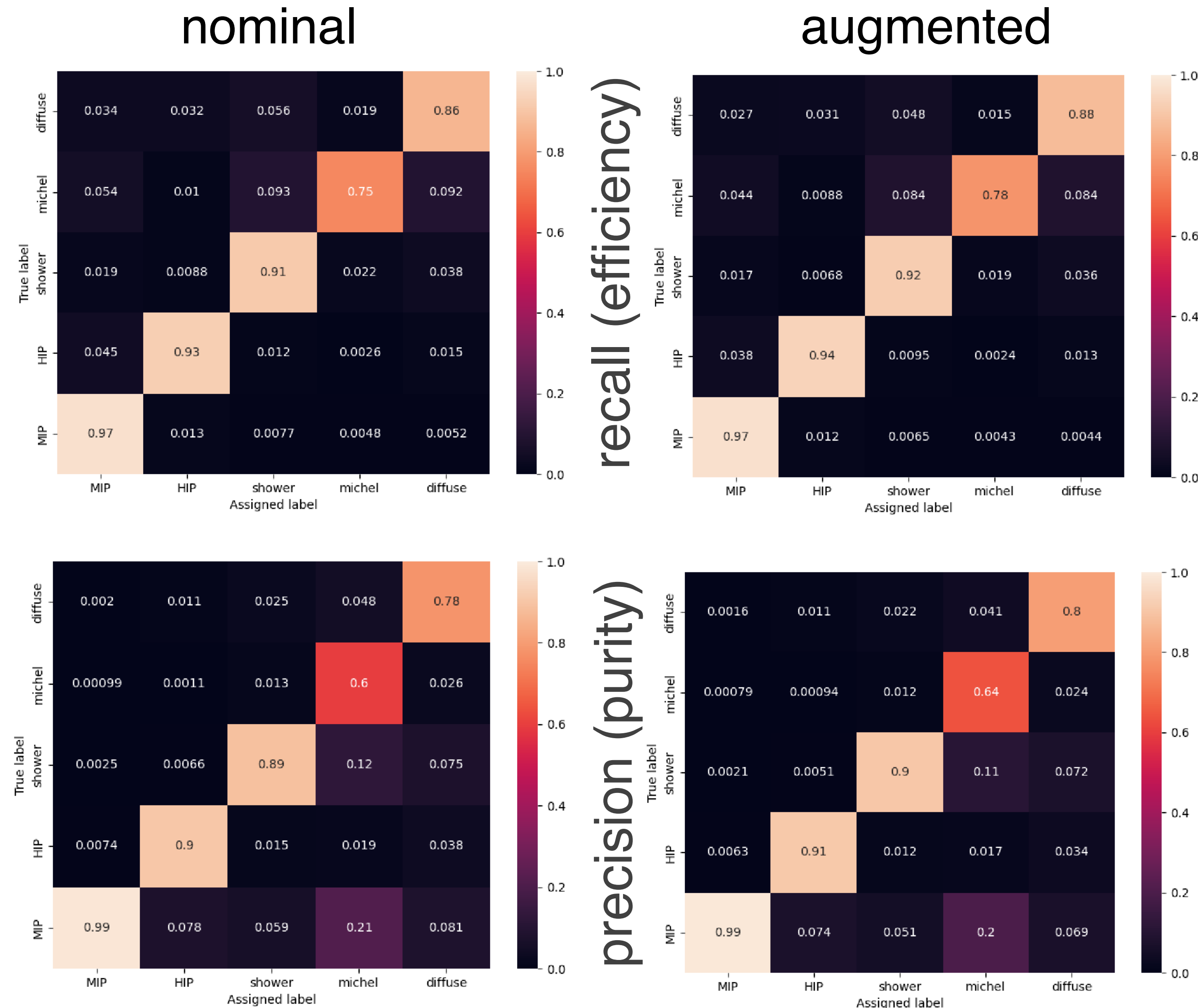
Indistinguishable molecules by the WL test and thus message passing NN

Injecting Physics Domain Knowledge: Augmented Features

- Add structural and non-local features to **nodes**:
 - Δtime , Δwire between 2 closest nodes
 - distance to closest node D_{\min}
 - edge multiplicity N_e



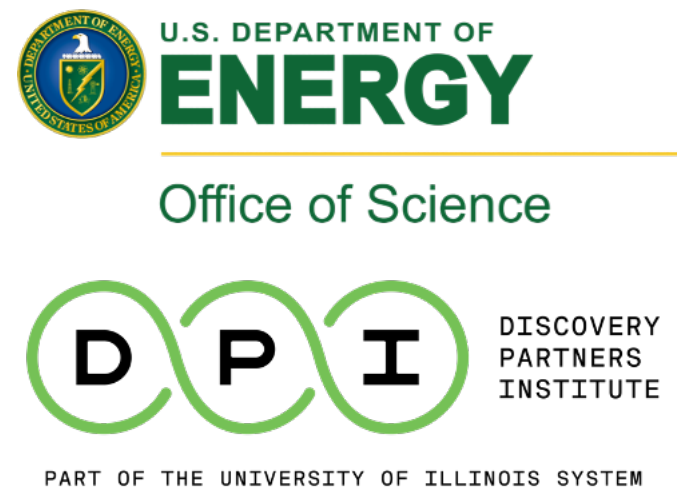
- Improves the network performance across the board
 - $\sim 5\%$ (relative) improvement for the Michel category



Conclusions

- NuGraph2 is a GNN for reconstruction in LArTPC detectors
 - competitive performance for filter and semantic classification tasks
- Deployment in experiments' workflows in ongoing
 - integrated in LArSoft, promising results in data
- Work ongoing to interpret and further improve the network
 - stay tuned for Adam's talk for NuGraph3 developments!

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