

Neural network classifiers for analyzing measurements of fast neutrons for invariant mass spectroscopy



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Outline

- **Background**
 - Science beyond the neutron dripline
 - Multi-neutron unbound systems
 - Invariant mass spectroscopy
- **Machine learning for event classification**
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 - Budget summary



Neutron dripline science

A NEW ERA OF DISCOVERY THE 2023 LONG RANGE PLAN FOR NUCLEAR SCIENCE

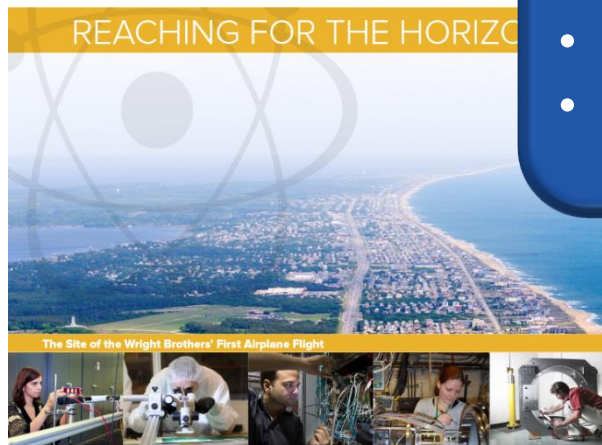
– “A powerful way to develop a predictive understanding of the changes in nuclear structure at the neutron driplines is to track how nuclear structure evolves as the neutron number increases, from stable nuclei to the neutron dripline.”

Understanding involves an interplay between

- Single particle motion
- Many-body correlations
- Neutron continuum

... nuclei is the most complex of nuclear structure.”

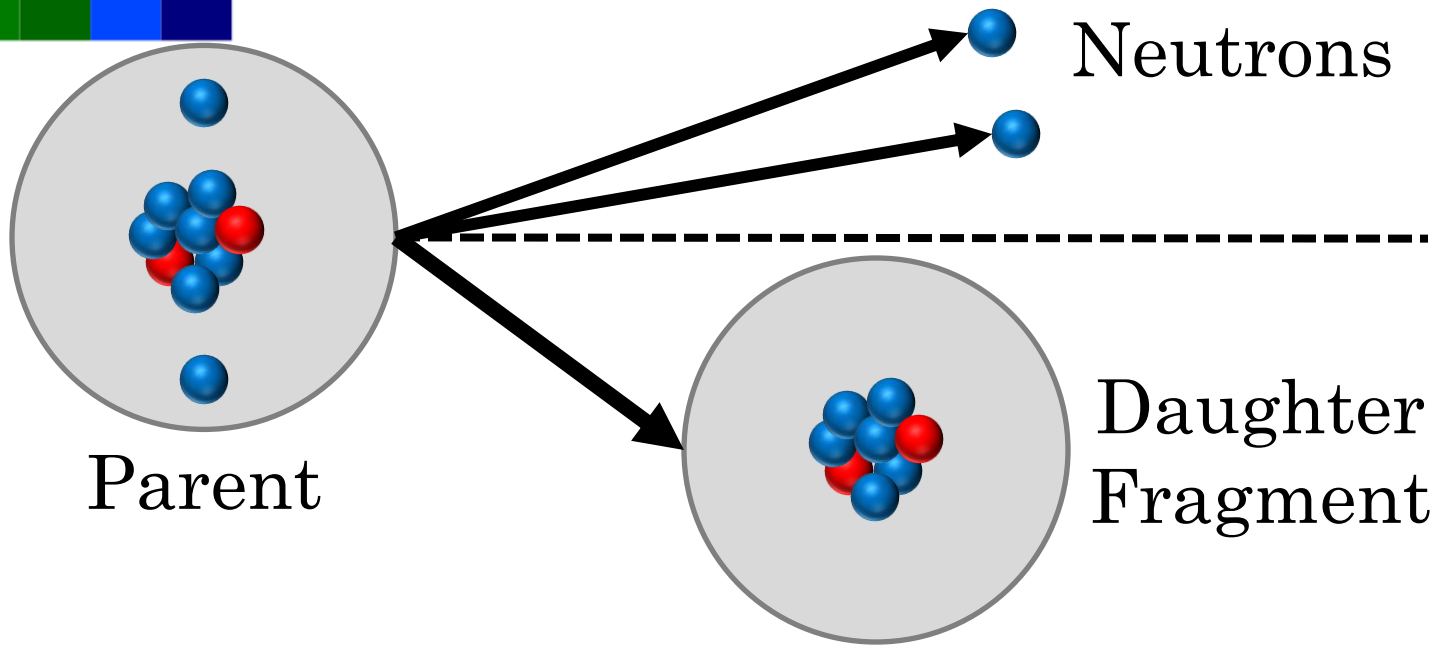
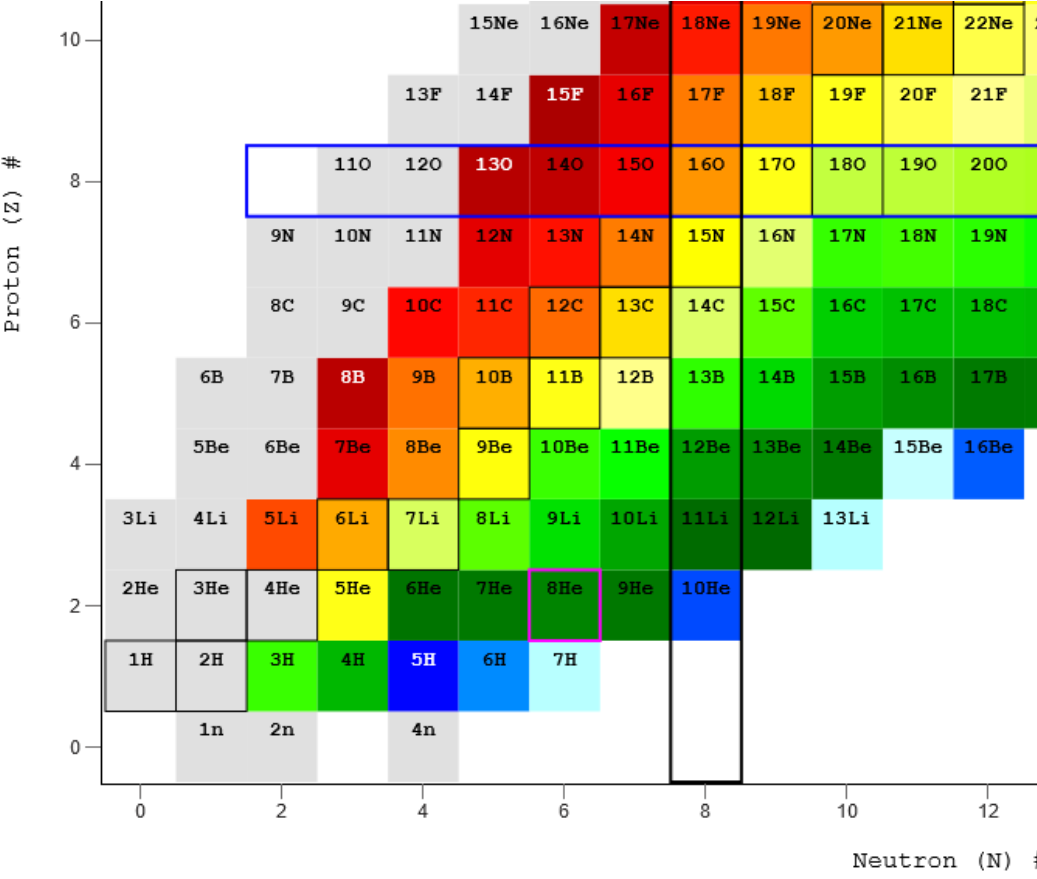
– The unique data on bound and unbound states of oxygen isotopes have been used to benchmark ab-initio modes of nuclei ... resulting in the development of a vastly improved theoretical formalism.”



The 2015
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for NUCLEAR SCIENCE

Neutron-unbound systems

NuDat 3.0, S_{2n}
 nndc.bnl.gov

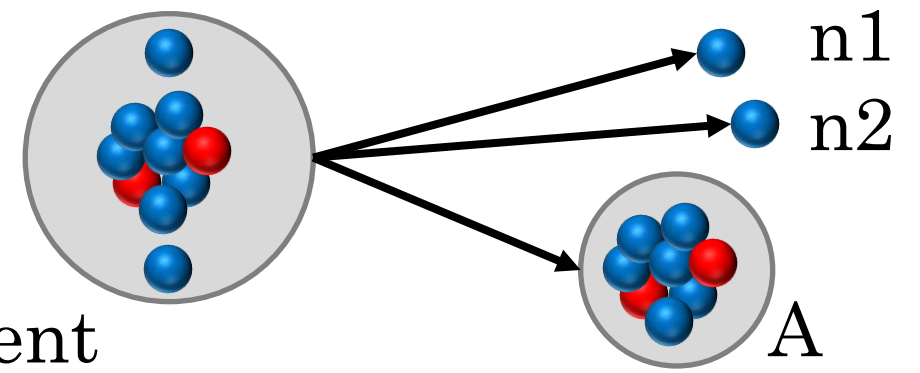


Extracting information

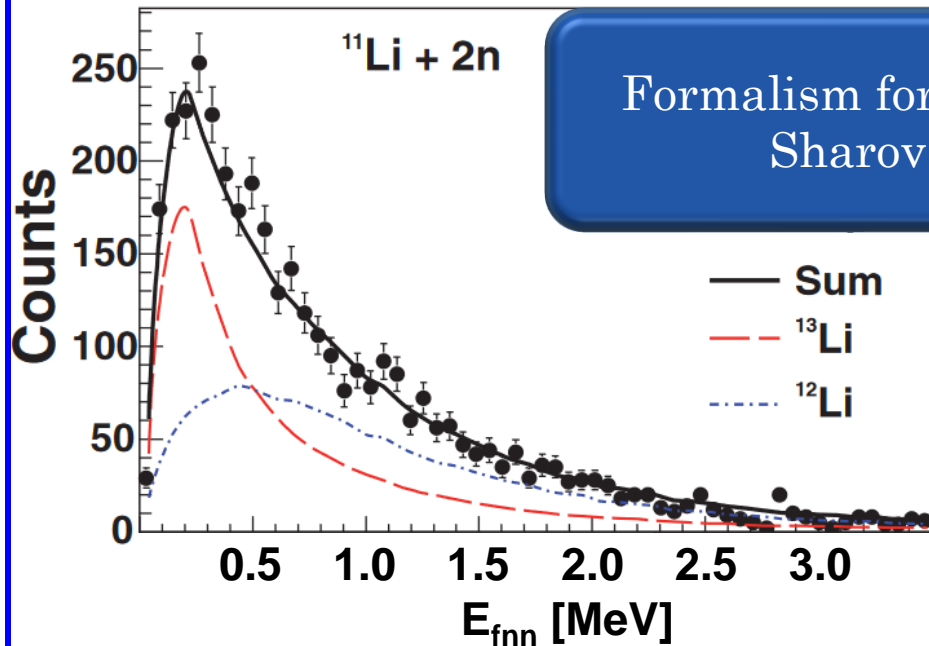
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$$\vec{p}_3^2 = \vec{p}_A \cdot \vec{p}_{n1} + \vec{p}_A \cdot \vec{p}_{n2} + \vec{p}_{n1} \cdot \vec{p}_{n2}$$

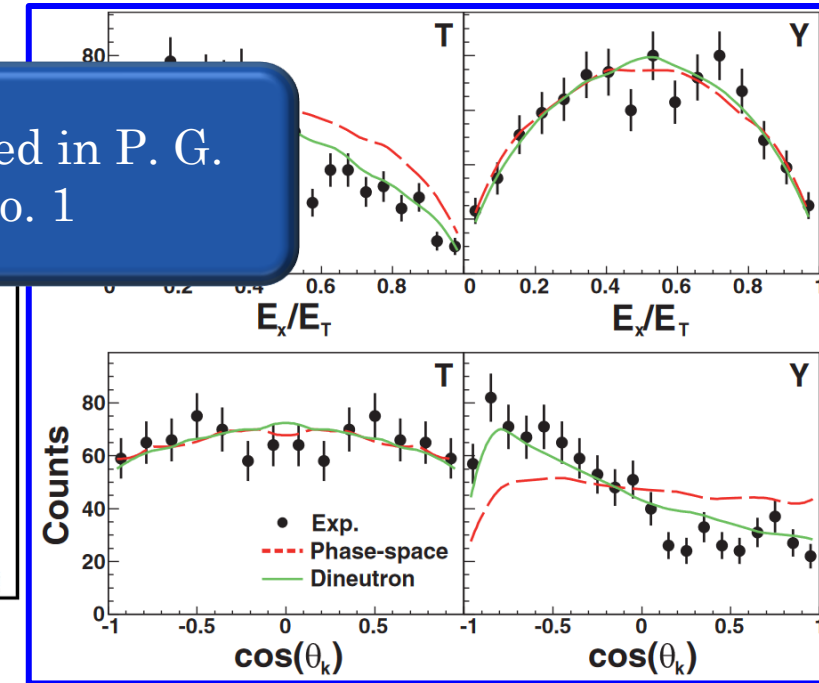
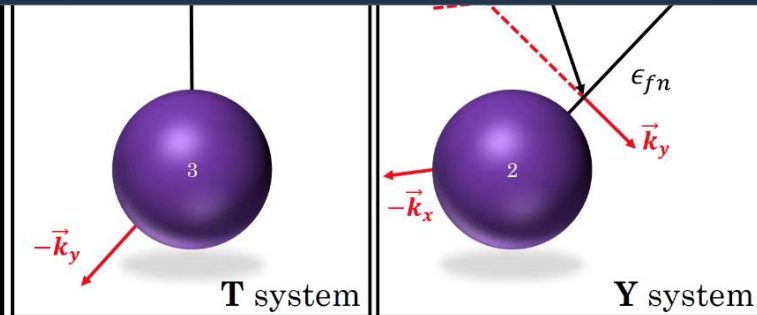


Relative energy spectra



Formalism for simultaneous 4n emission presented in P. G. Sharov *et al.* JETP Letters 2019 Vol 110 No. 1

Three-body correlations



Left and right figures are from Z. Kohley *et al.*, PRC 87 011204(R) 2013 (2015)

Invariant mass spectroscopy with MoNA-LISA

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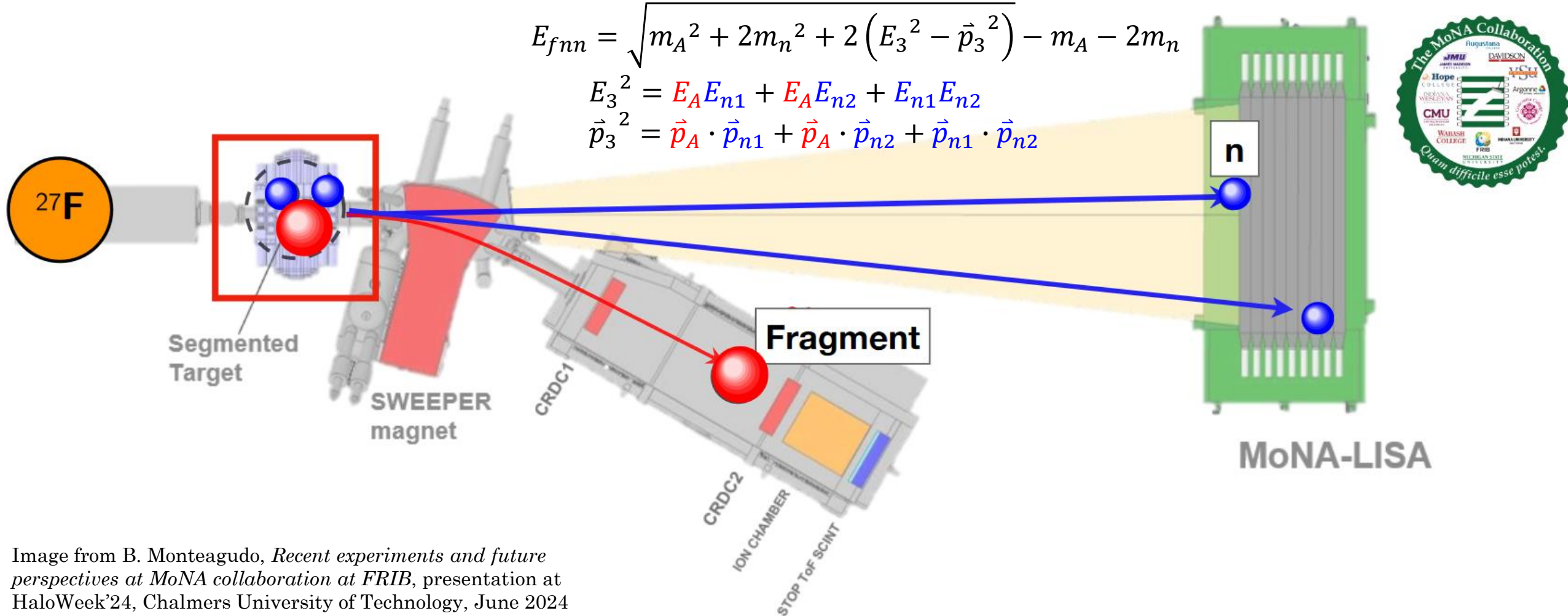
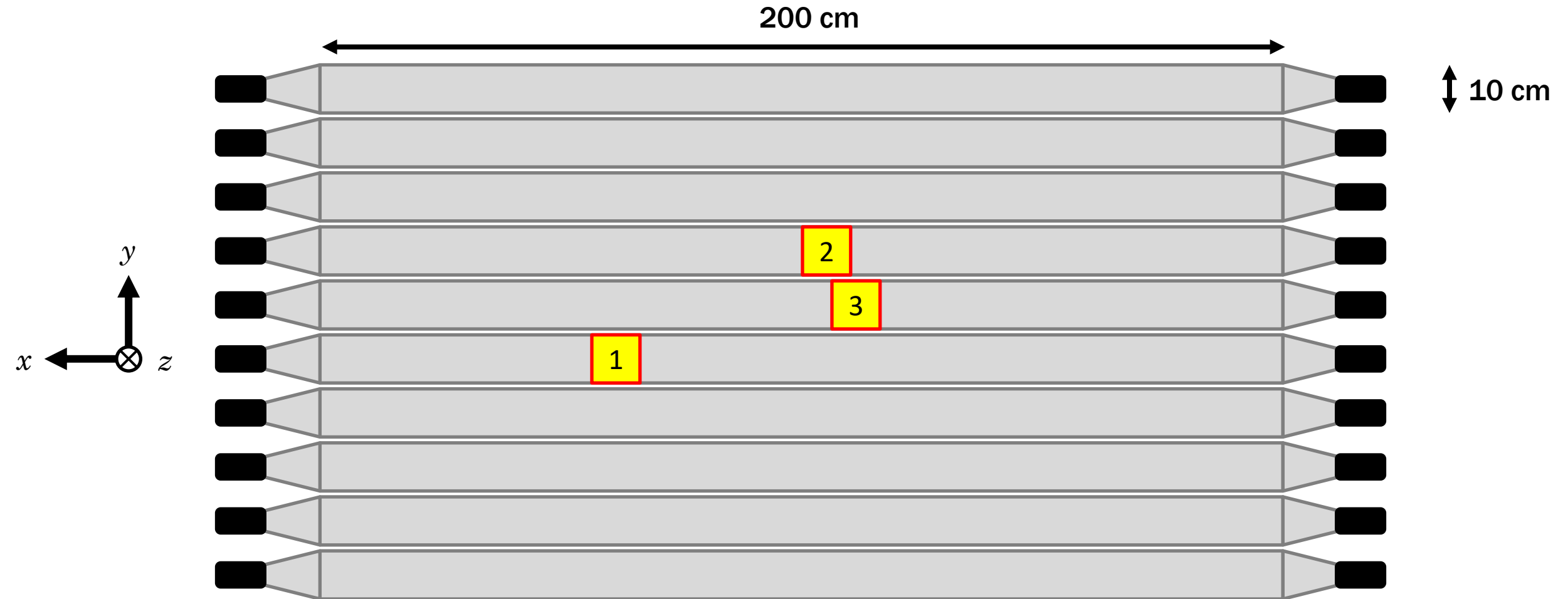


Image from B. Monteagudo, *Recent experiments and future perspectives at MoNA collaboration at FRIB*, presentation at HaloWeek'24, Chalmers University of Technology, June 2024

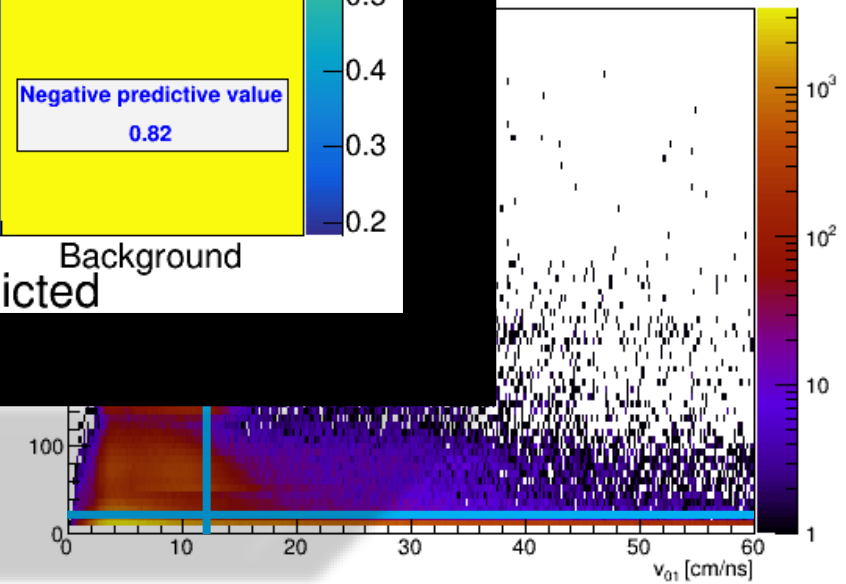
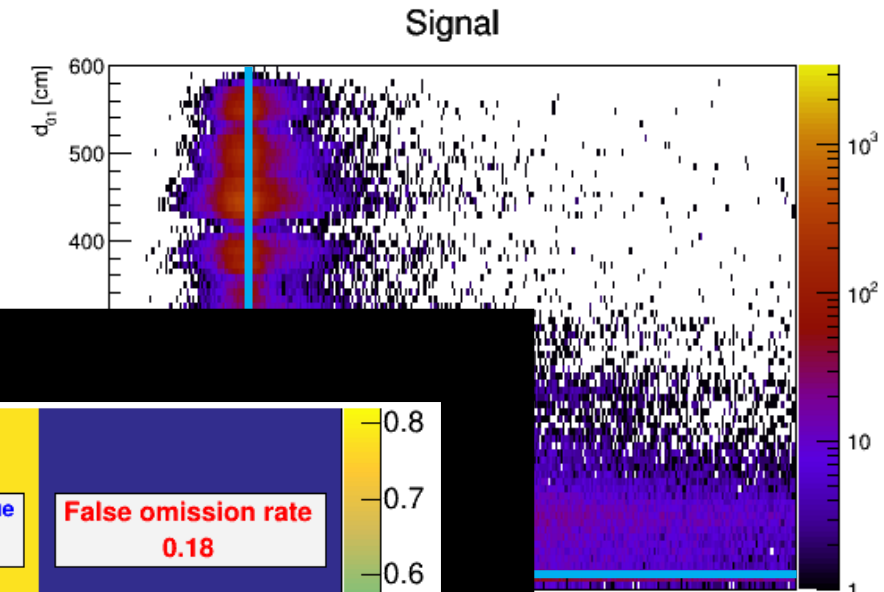
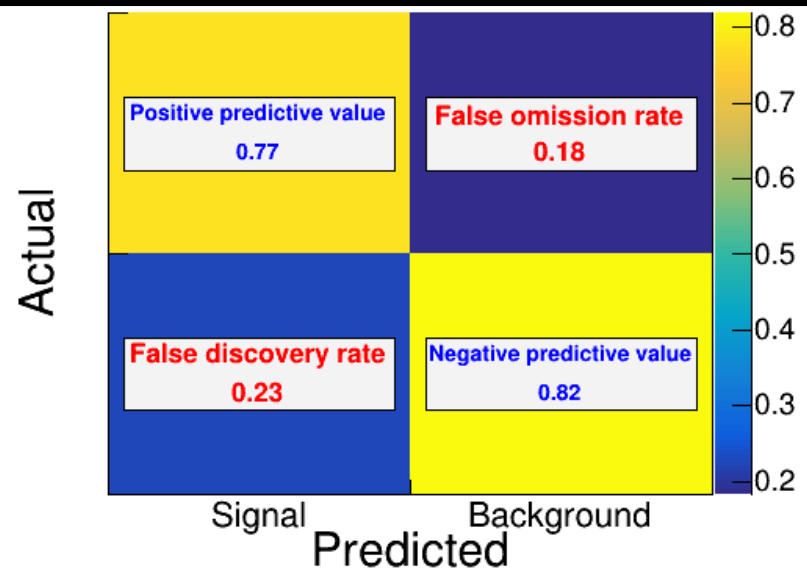
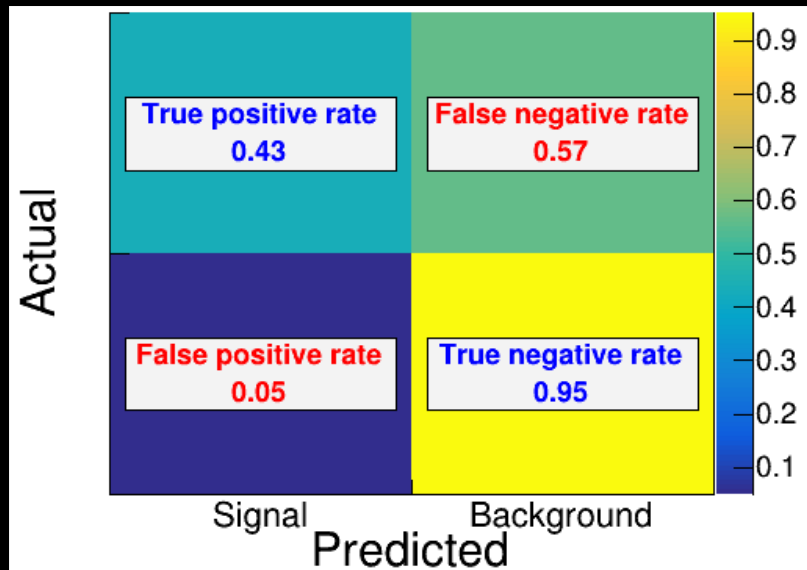
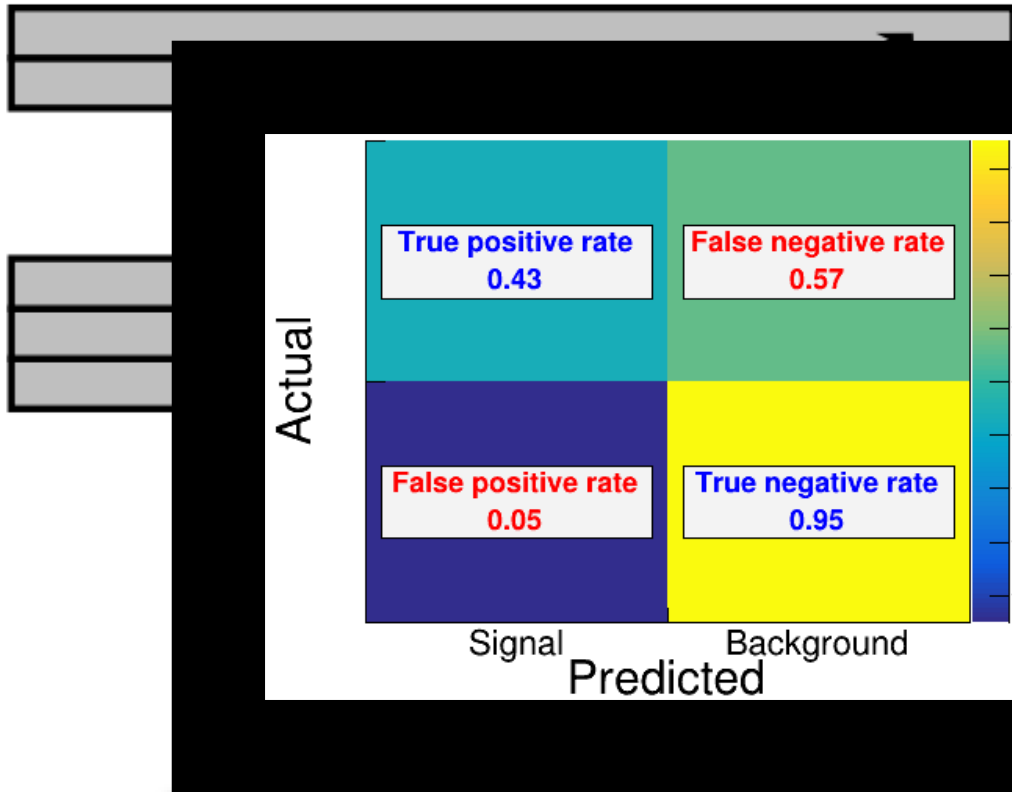
Multi-neutron detection

- Plastic scintillator bars
- Indirect, neutron detection via scattering
- Scintillation light detected in PMTs coupled via light guides
- (x,y,z), ToF, scintillation light recorded
- **Sparse hits are time-sorted**



Causal filters

Spatial and time separation examined for causal connections between hits



Leveraging machine learning methods

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Development of a Deep Neural Network for the data analysis of the NeuLAND neutron detector

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Classical and machine learning methods for event reconstruction in NeuLAND

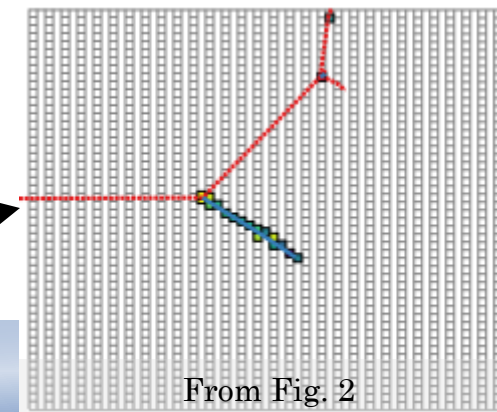
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- Applied to recover neutron multiplicity and first interaction points
- Tested a number of different ML techniques
- Found that ML methods resulted in marginal improvement for multiplicity extraction; better for determining first interaction points
- Designed for higher neutron energies (200 – 1000 MeV)



Leveraging machine learning methods

Project goals:

1. Investigate application of neural networks to event classification
 - Applicability across experiments
 - Extension to ‘multiplicity reduction’
2. Provide research training opportunities for VSU undergraduates

Neutron KEs range from 40 – 200 MeV

Measured Inputs

X

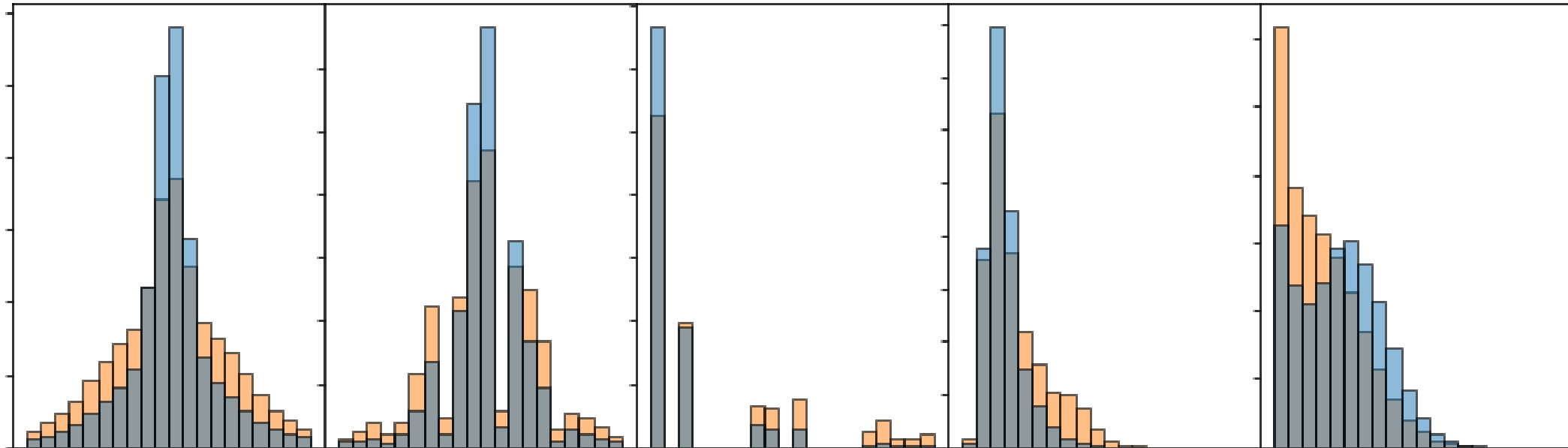
Y

Z

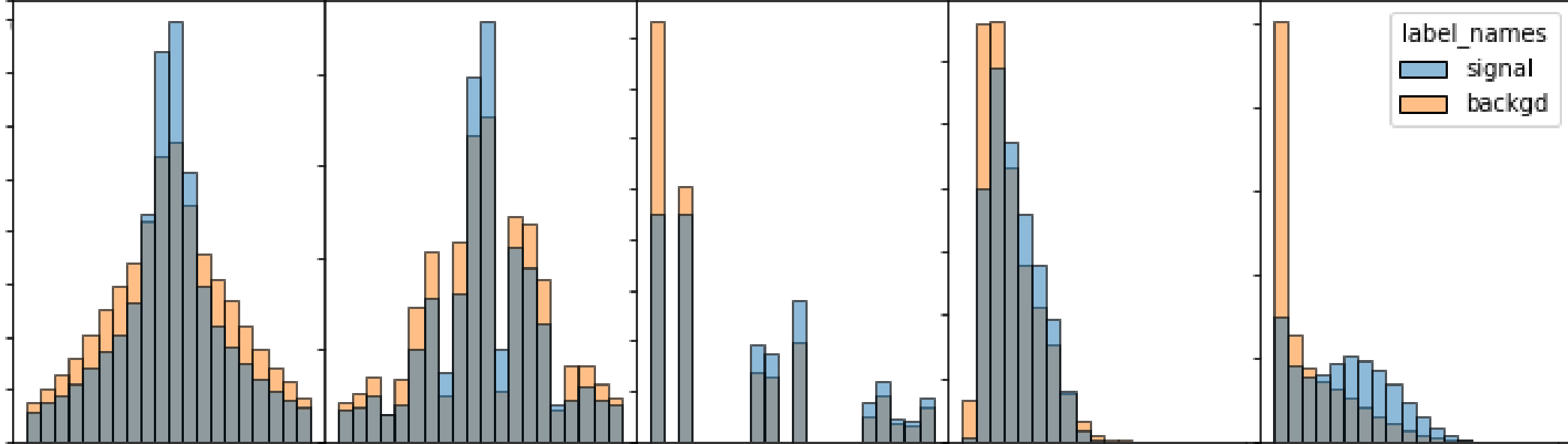
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QDC

First hit

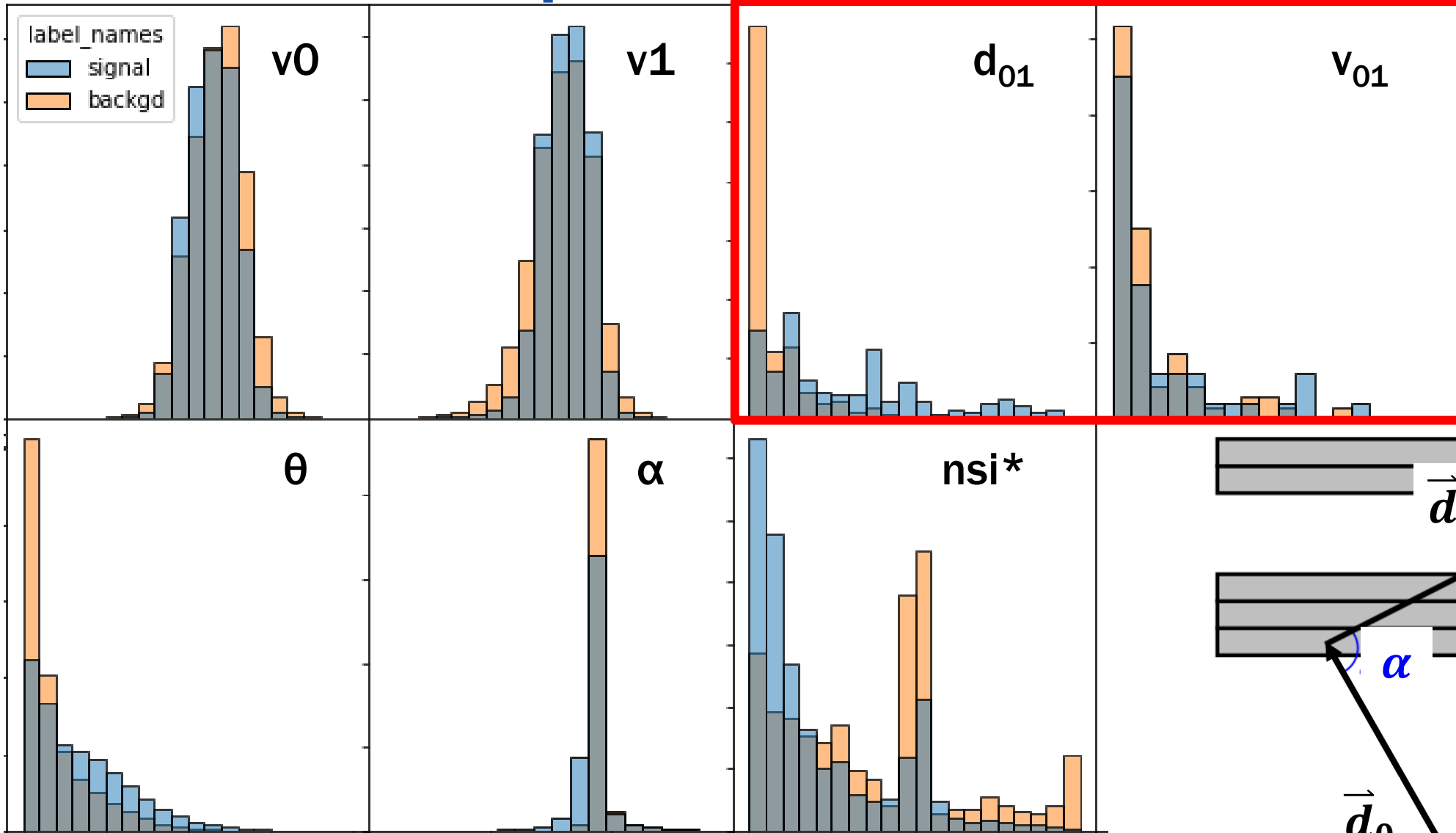


Second hit



label_names
■ signal
■ backgd

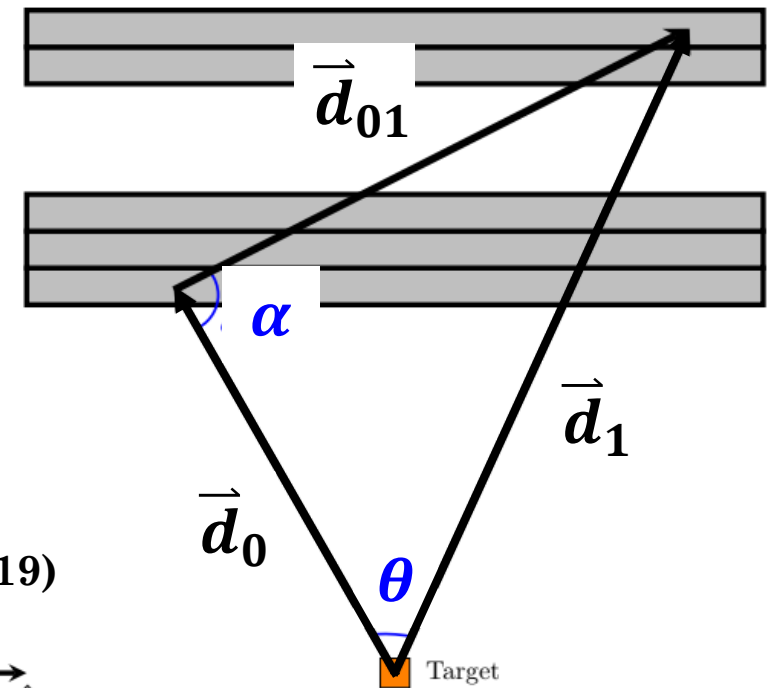
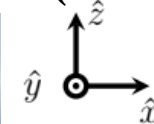
Calculated Inputs



Used in
 'traditional'
 causality cuts

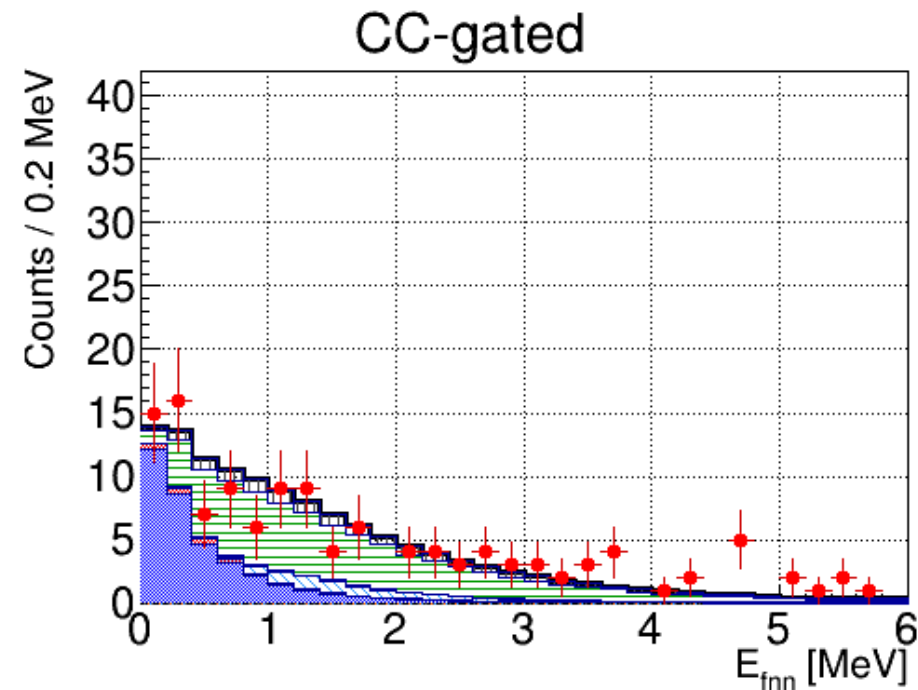
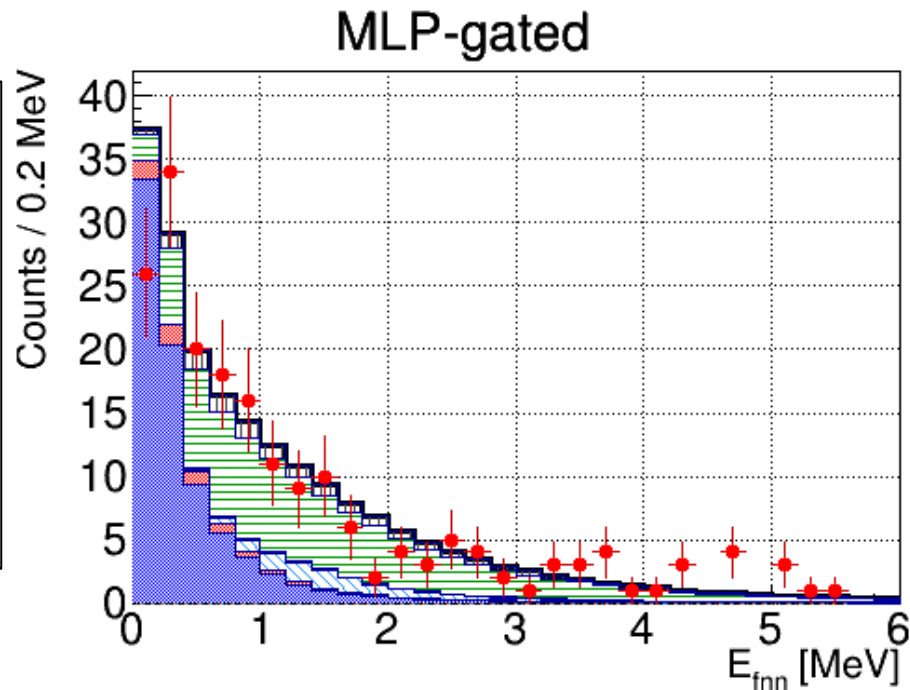
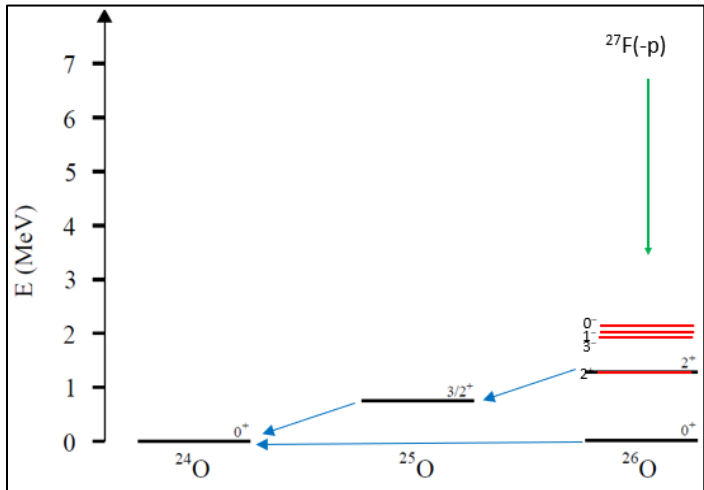
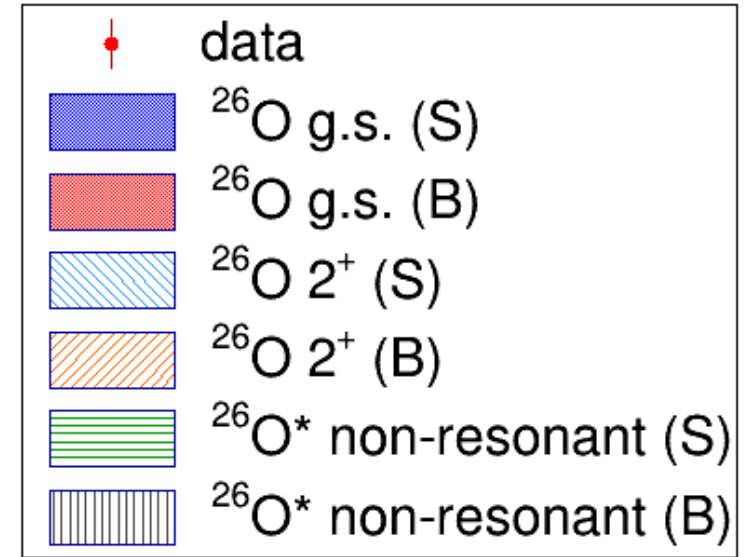
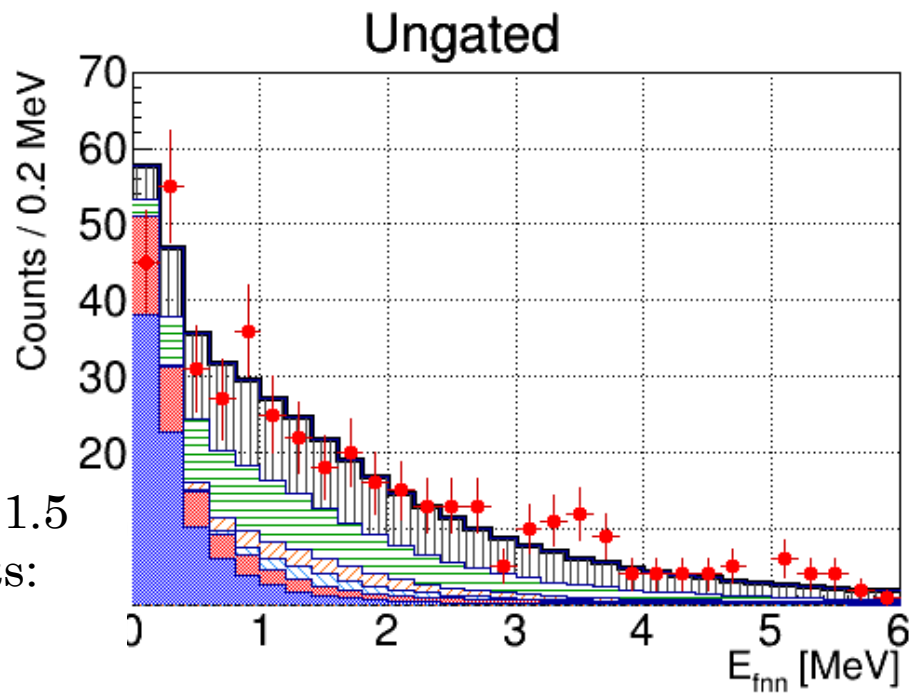
*see W. Rogers *et al.*, NIM-A 943, 162436 (2019)

$$nsi = (v_{beam}^2 t_{01}^2 - d_{01}^2) = (v_{beam}^2 - v_{01}^2) t_{01}^2$$



Applied to data: ^{26}O

- $(\# \text{ CC-gated}) / (\# \text{ MLP-gated}) = 1.5$
- % difference in fitted weights:
 - G.S. (10%)
 - 2+ (10%)
 - Nonresonant (5%)

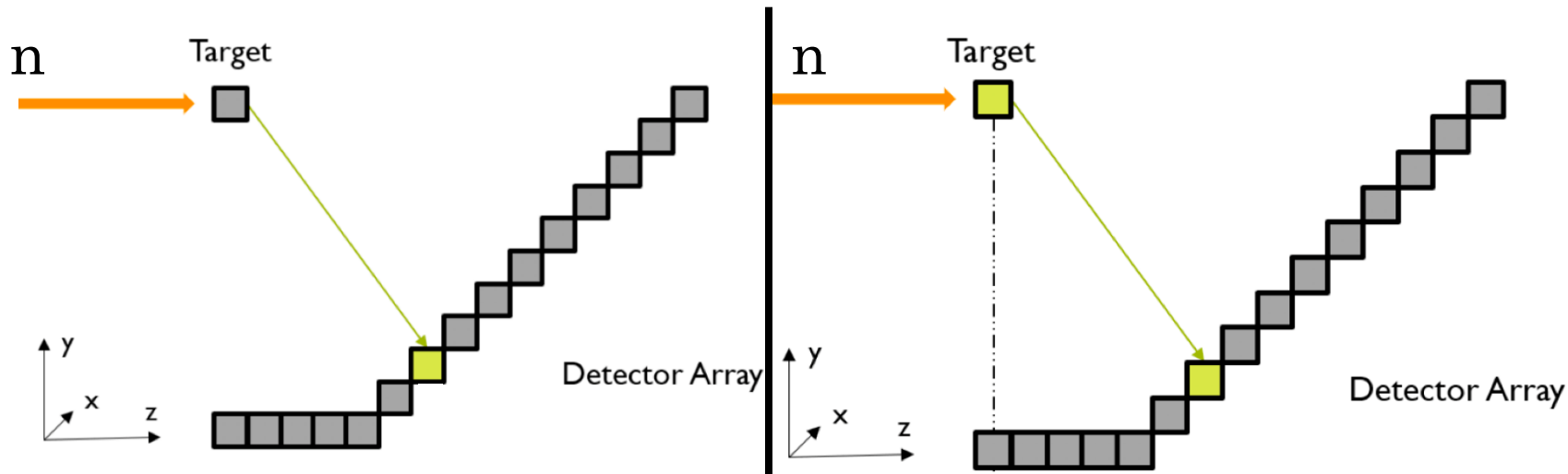


Testing with LANSCE data

PRELIMINARY

Fraction of multiplicity 2 events
predicted to be 1n scattering

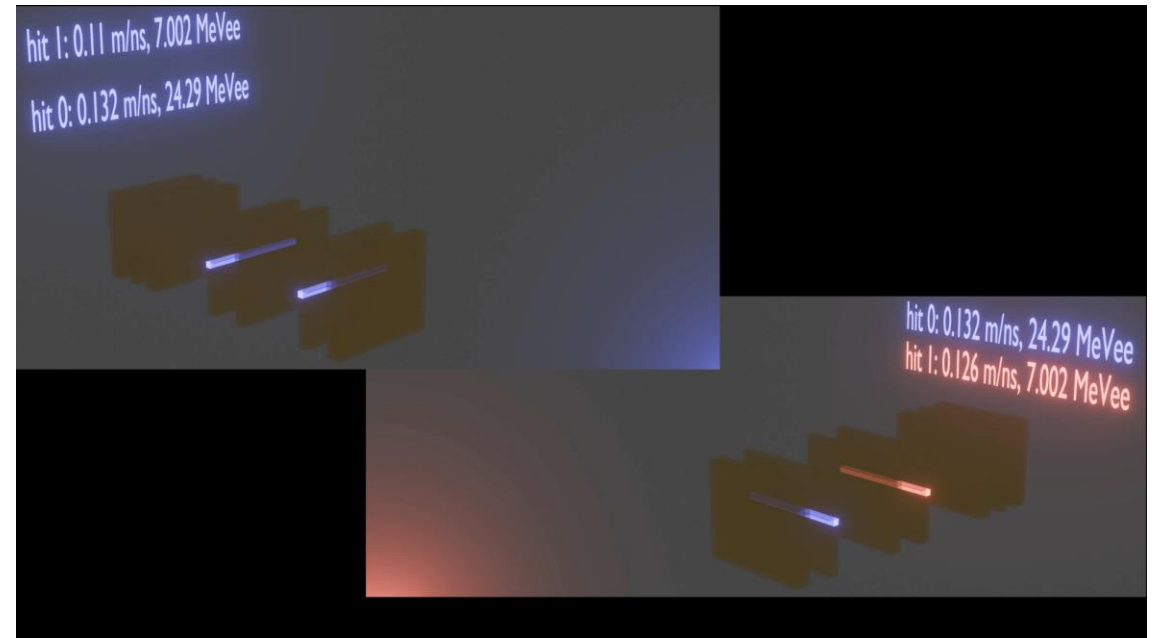
Incident neutron energy	> 5 MeVee	+ gated on target bar
~20 MeV	83%	94%
~40 MeV	84%	98%
~60 MeV	86%	99%



All images from A. Kuchera

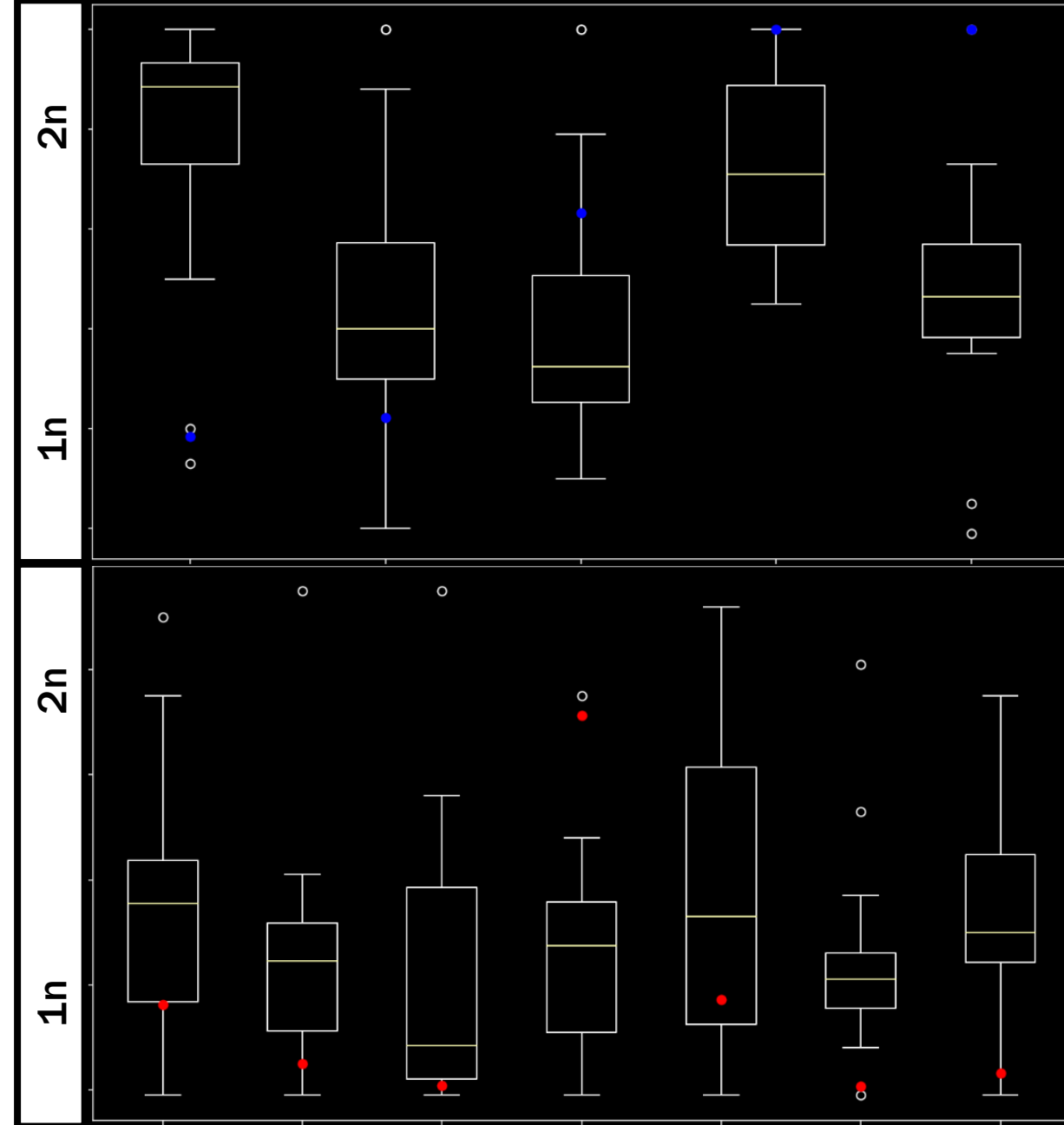
Survey for human-assigned event labels

- Provide assessment on a sliding scale 0 (1n) – 100 (2n)
- First survey deployed
 - 100 measured events
 - 12 simulated events (tracers)
 - 14 student responses so far
 - Analysis in progress
- Second survey in preparation
 - 200 measured events
 - 20 simulated events
 - Separate into 50-event chunks



Human- and machine- assigned labels

- Preliminary comparison for ‘tracer events’
- Background is ‘easier’ to classify
 - More correct IDs
 - Better agreement



Project deliverables

Deliverable	Projected	Status
ROOT + Python codes	May 2024	Completed
Blender animations of data events	June 2024	Completed
Survey for human-determined labels	March 2025	60% complete
Integration into analysis pipeline	August 2025	50% complete
Publication	August 2025	20% complete

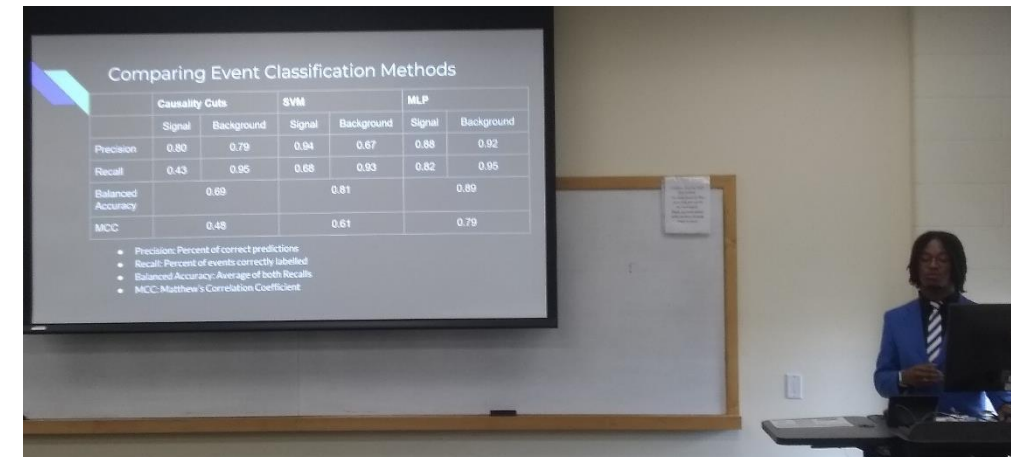
Budget summary

	FY23 [k\$]	FY 24 [k\$]	Total [k\$]
Funds allocated	256	224	480
Actual costs	160	45	205

VSU Undergraduate Researchers

- Alaura Cunningham, 2020 – 2021, DNP & NSBP 2020
- Avery Monroe, 2021, VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021
- **Megan Brayton, 2021, MSU AGEP conference 2021**
- Darrius Sykes, 2021-2022, MSU AGEP conference 2021
- Kyra Rudolph, 2021 – 2022, NOBCChE regional 2022, VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium 2022
- Kayla Mills, 2021 – 2022, VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium 2022
- **Clifton Kpadehyea, 2022 – 2023, DNP 2022**
- Jeffrey Walters, 2021 – 2023, NOBCChE regional 2022, VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium 2023
- Emmanuella Kumi, 2022 – 2023, VSU Undergraduate Research Symposium 2023
- **Jaylen Rasberry, 2022 – present, DNP 2022, NOBCChE 2022, NURVa 2024**
- Isaiah Leonard, 2023 – present
- Trinity Allen, 2024 – present
- Jalen Felix, 2024 – present, MSU AGEP conference 2024
- Raven Mott, 2024 – present
- **Sarah Timothy, 2024 – present**
- **Justin Brown, 2024 – present**

Jaylen Rasberry presents at the Network for Undergraduate Research in Virginia Conference, 26 October 2024



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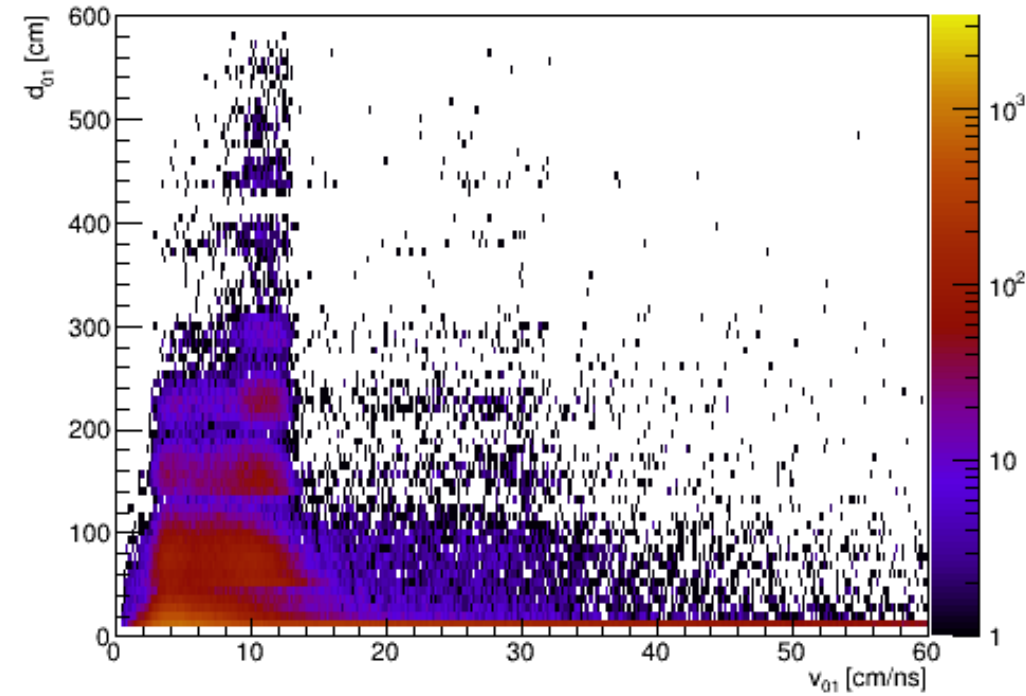
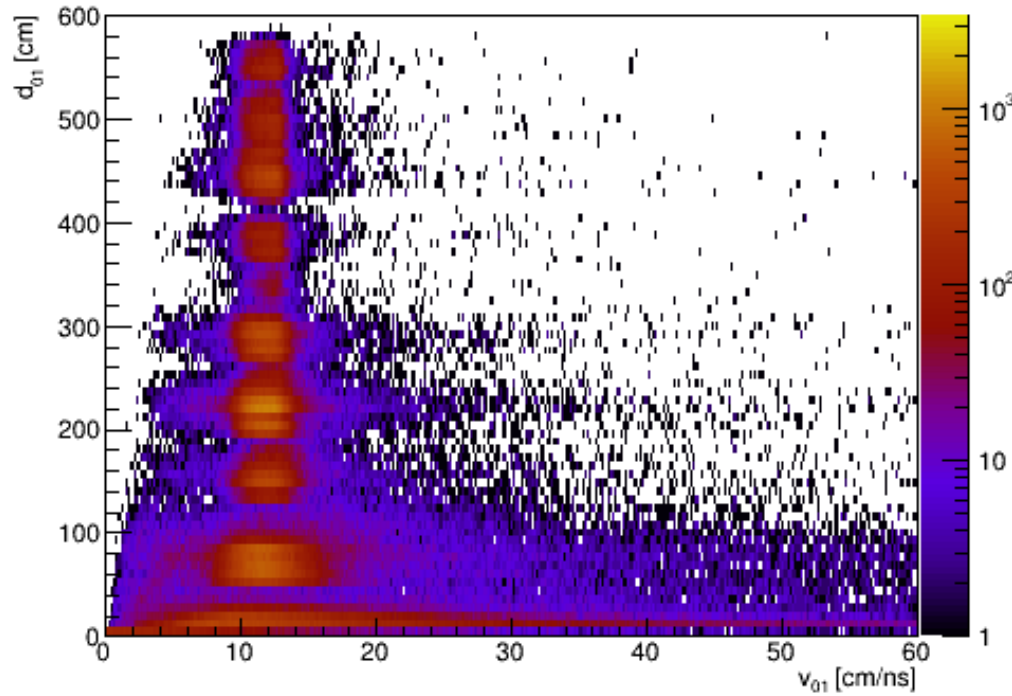
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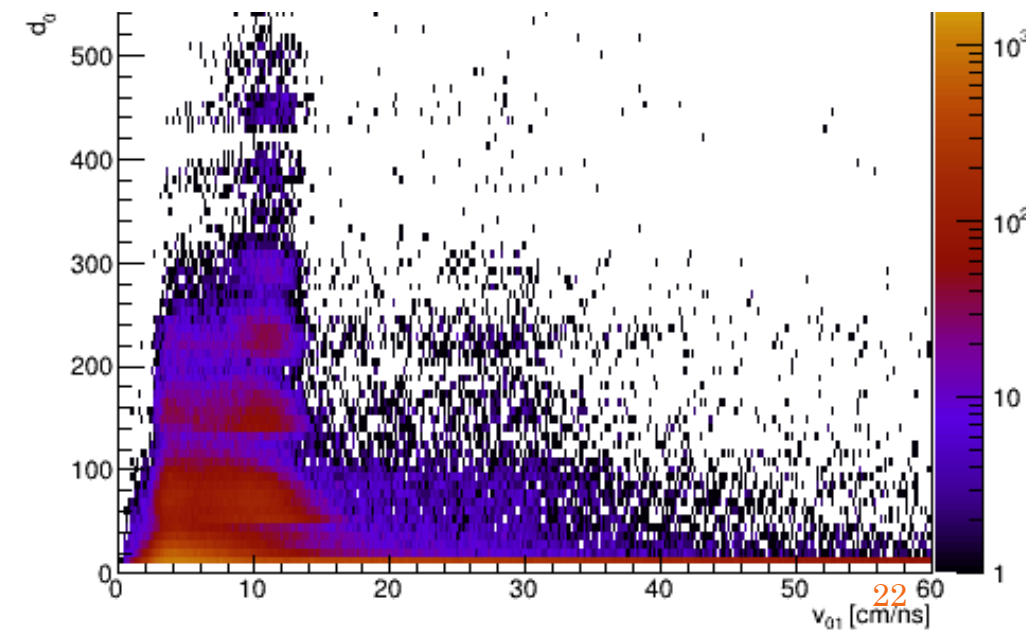
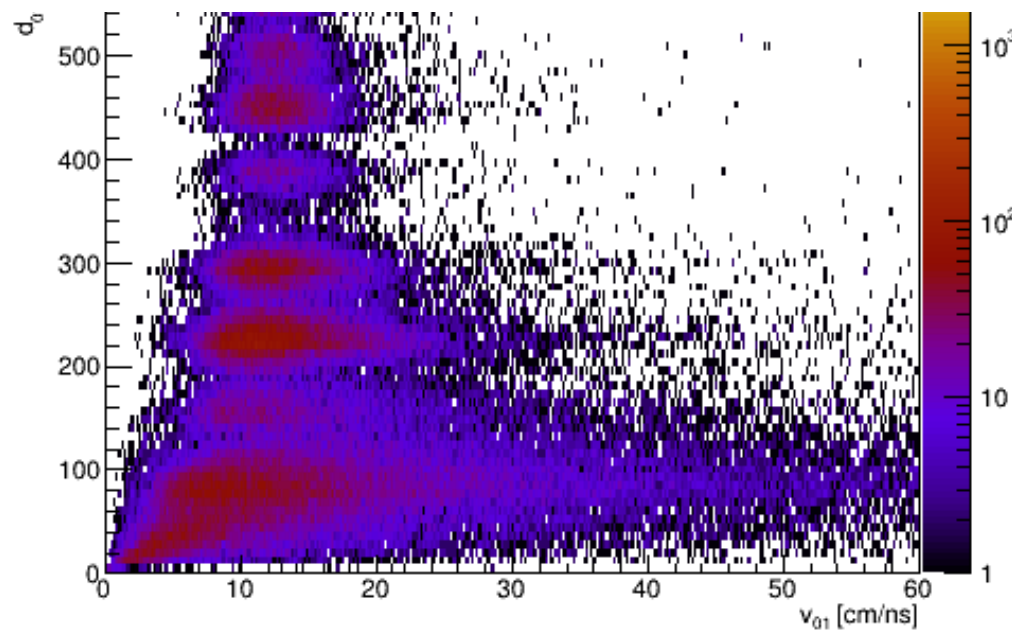
Additional slides

Signal

Background



Low decay energy



High decay energy

Confusion Matrix

Sources: [12][13] [14][15][16][17][18][19] view · talk · edit

		Predicted condition			
		Predicted Positive (PP)	Predicted Negative (PN)	Informedness, bookmaker informedness (BM) = TPR + TNR - 1	Prevalence threshold (PT) $= \frac{\sqrt{\text{TPR} \times \text{FPR}} - \text{FPR}}{\text{TPR} - \text{FPR}}$
Actual condition	Total population = P + N				
	Positive (P) [a]	True positive (TP), hit ^[b]	False negative (FN), miss, underestimation	True positive rate (TPR), recall, sensitivity (SEN), probability of detection, hit rate, power $= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{P}} = 1 - \text{FNR}$	False negative rate (FNR), miss rate type II error [c] $= \frac{\text{FN}}{\text{P}} = 1 - \text{TPR}$
Negative (N) ^[d]	False positive (FP), false alarm, overestimation	True negative (TN), correct rejection ^[e]	False positive rate (FPR), probability of false alarm, fall-out type I error [f] $= \frac{\text{FP}}{\text{N}} = 1 - \text{TNR}$	True negative rate (TNR), specificity (SPC), selectivity $= \frac{\text{TN}}{\text{N}} = 1 - \text{FPR}$	
Prevalence $= \frac{\text{P}}{\text{P} + \text{N}}$	Positive predictive value (PPV), precision $= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{PP}} = 1 - \text{FDR}$	False omission rate (FOR) $= \frac{\text{FN}}{\text{PN}} = 1 - \text{NPV}$	Positive likelihood ratio (LR+) $= \frac{\text{TPR}}{\text{FPR}}$	Negative likelihood ratio (LR-) $= \frac{\text{FNR}}{\text{TNR}}$	
Accuracy (ACC) $= \frac{\text{TP} + \text{TN}}{\text{P} + \text{N}}$	False discovery rate (FDR) $= \frac{\text{FP}}{\text{PP}} = 1 - \text{PPV}$	Negative predictive value (NPV) $= \frac{\text{TN}}{\text{PN}} = 1 - \text{FOR}$	Markedness (MK), deltaP (Δp) $= \text{PPV} + \text{NPV} - 1$	Diagnostic odds ratio (DOR) $= \frac{\text{LR}+}{\text{LR}-}$	
Balanced accuracy (BA) $= \frac{\text{TPR} + \text{TNR}}{2}$	F ₁ score $= \frac{2 \text{PPV} \times \text{TPR}}{\text{PPV} + \text{TPR}}$ $= \frac{2 \text{TP}}{2 \text{TP} + \text{FP} + \text{FN}}$	Fowlkes–Mallows index (FM) $= \sqrt{\text{PPV} \times \text{TPR}}$	Matthews correlation coefficient (MCC) $= \frac{\sqrt{\text{TPR} \times \text{TNR} \times \text{PPV} \times \text{NPV}}}{\sqrt{\text{FNR} \times \text{FPR} \times \text{FOR} \times \text{FDR}}}$	Threat score (TS), critical success index (CSI), Jaccard index $= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN} + \text{FP}}$	