

# BEAM MONITORING WITH SAND

Observable:  
reconstructed muon  
momentum

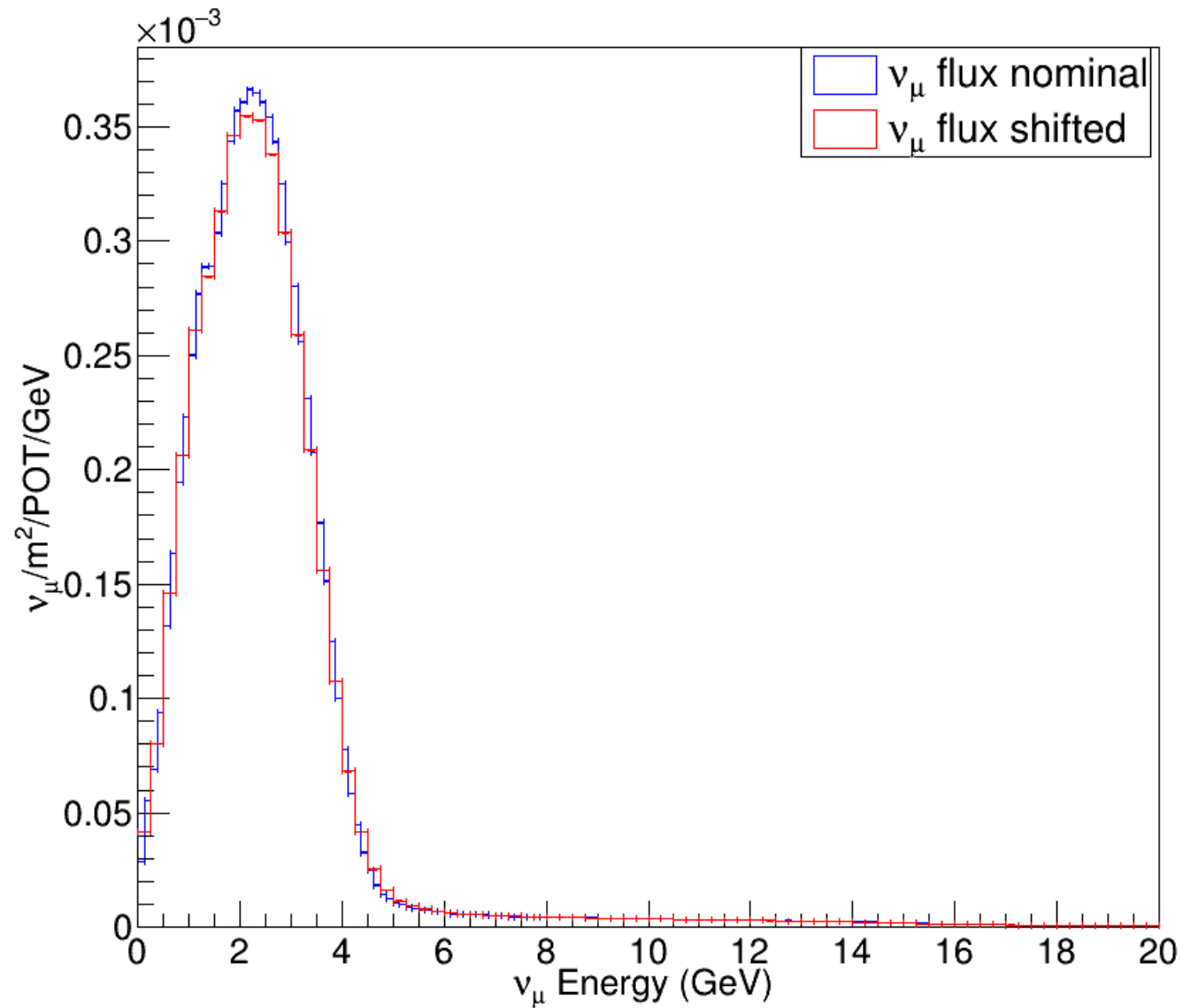
via the comparison of  
the distribution of an  
observable sensitive to  
beam anomalies

- My thesis studied the beam monitoring capabilities of the SAND detector, ~~via neutrino flux and detector simulations~~
- ~~We compared the reconstructed muon momentum spectra in CC muon neutrino interactions produced with reference beam configuration in a week, with the one produced on the same time span by a displacement of  $Y + 0.5$  mm of the first beam horn.~~
- ~~We used a  $\chi^2$  two-sample test to distinguish between the two samples~~

bullet: first systematic  
under study: horn-1 0.5  
mm Y shift

test statistic: chi2

# SIMULATED SAMPLES

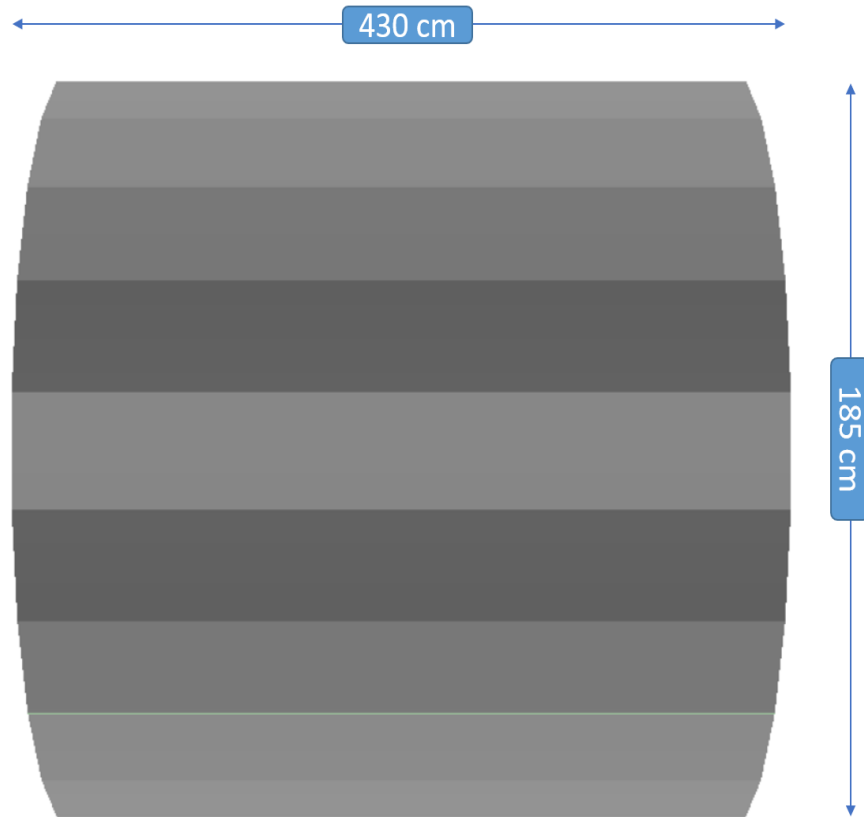


Simulated samples from :

- Nominal neutrino flux
- Shifted neutrino flux  
(Y +0.5mm in the first beam horn)

Note : Histograms retrieved from  
<https://home.fnal.gov/~ljf26/DUNEFluxes>

# TARGET: FRONT CALORIMETERS



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123.5 cm



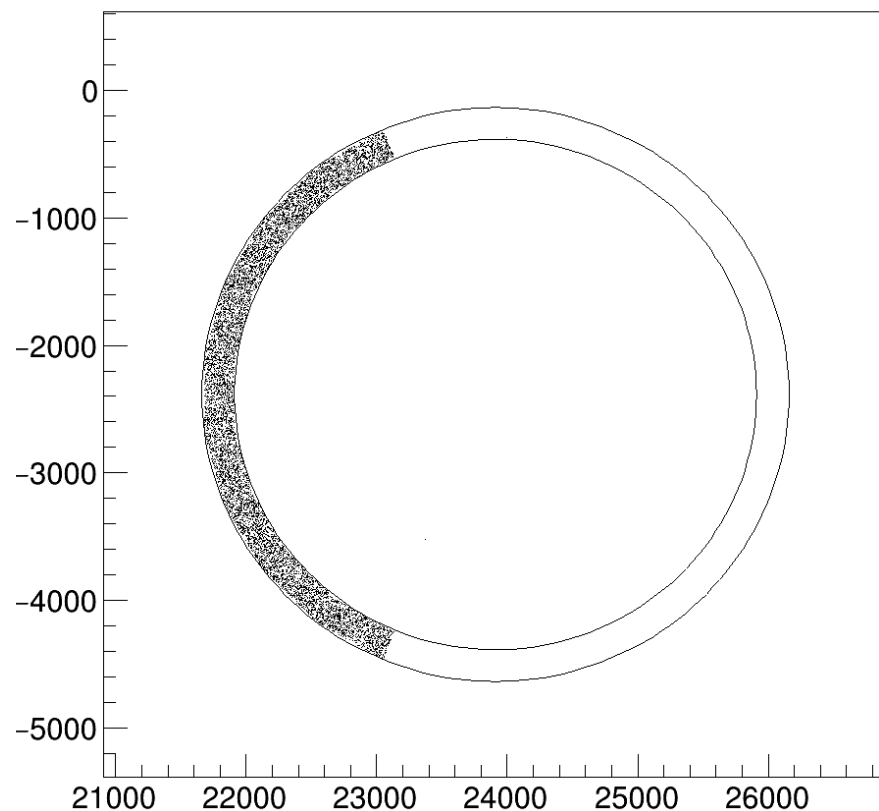
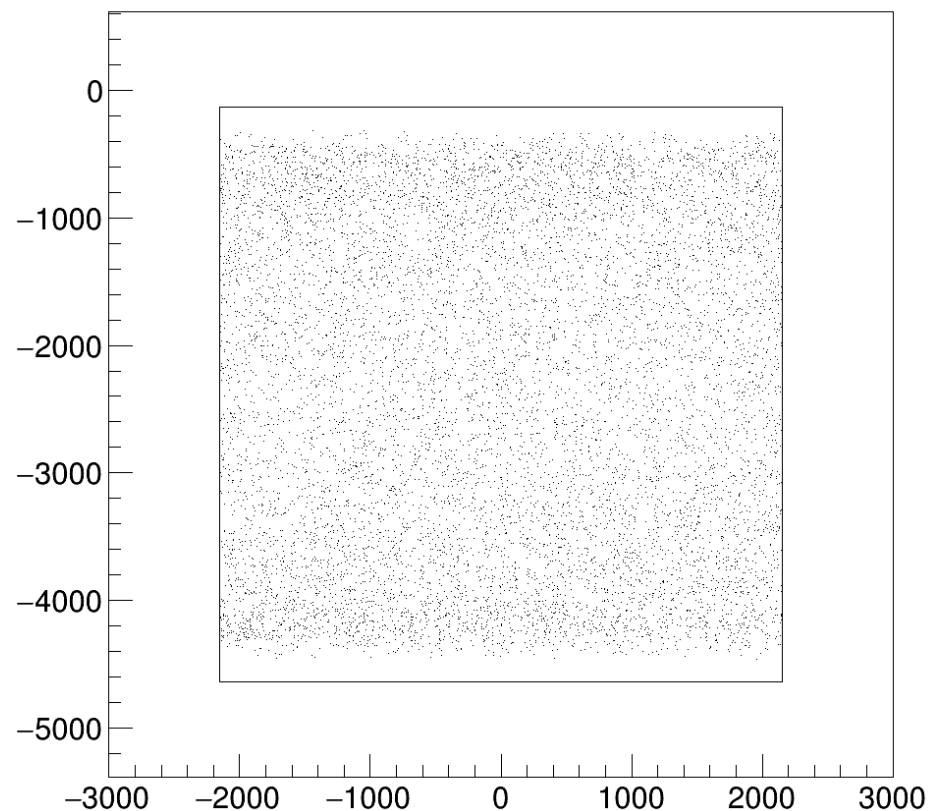
- *Dunendggd* simulated geometry
- 9 front calorimeter barrel modules

metti anche i numeri

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One week's worth of statistics

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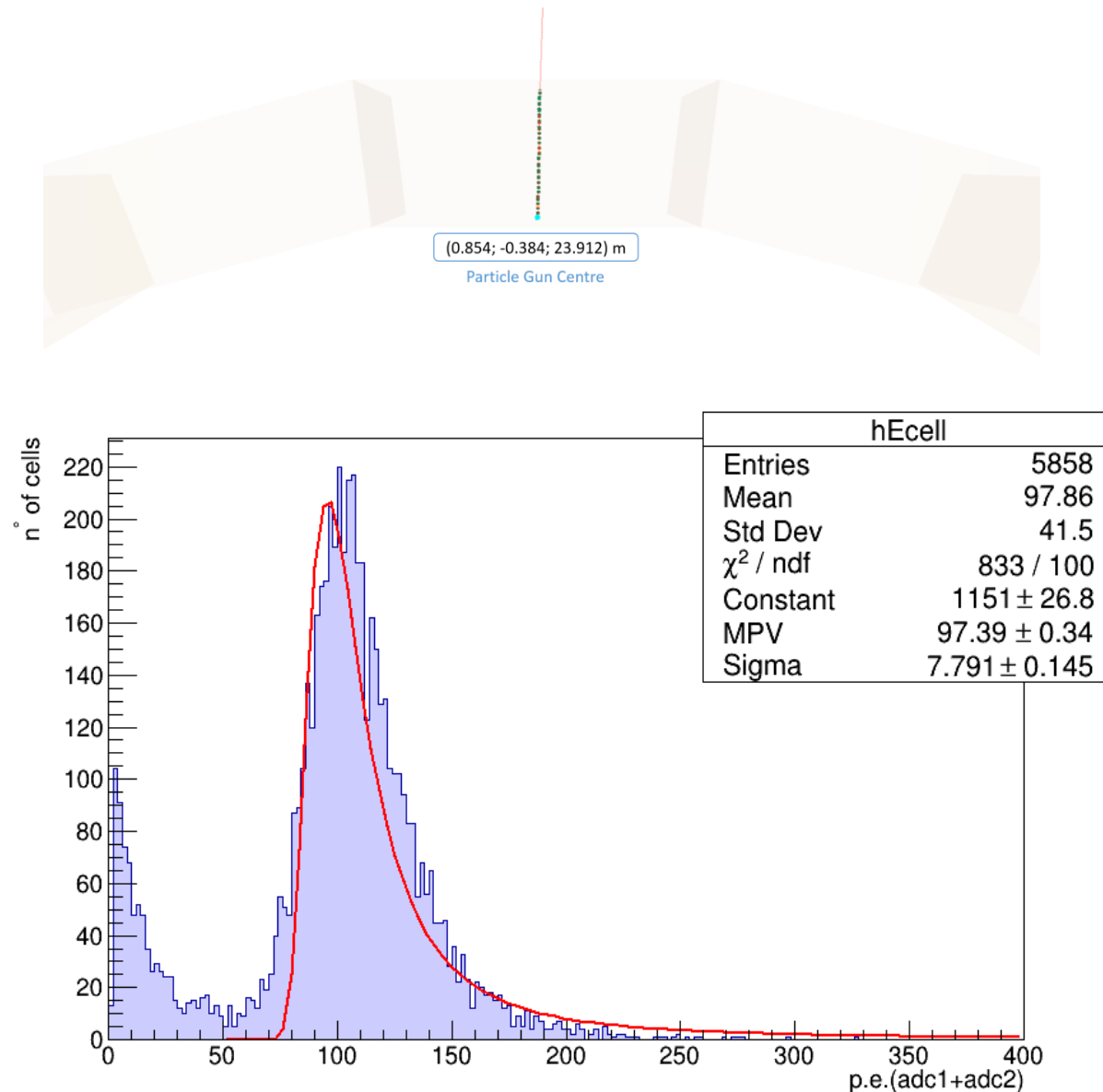


- Interaction vertex distributions on the  $xy$  and  $yz$  planes

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# PRELIMINARY MEASUREMENT: LIGHT YIELD



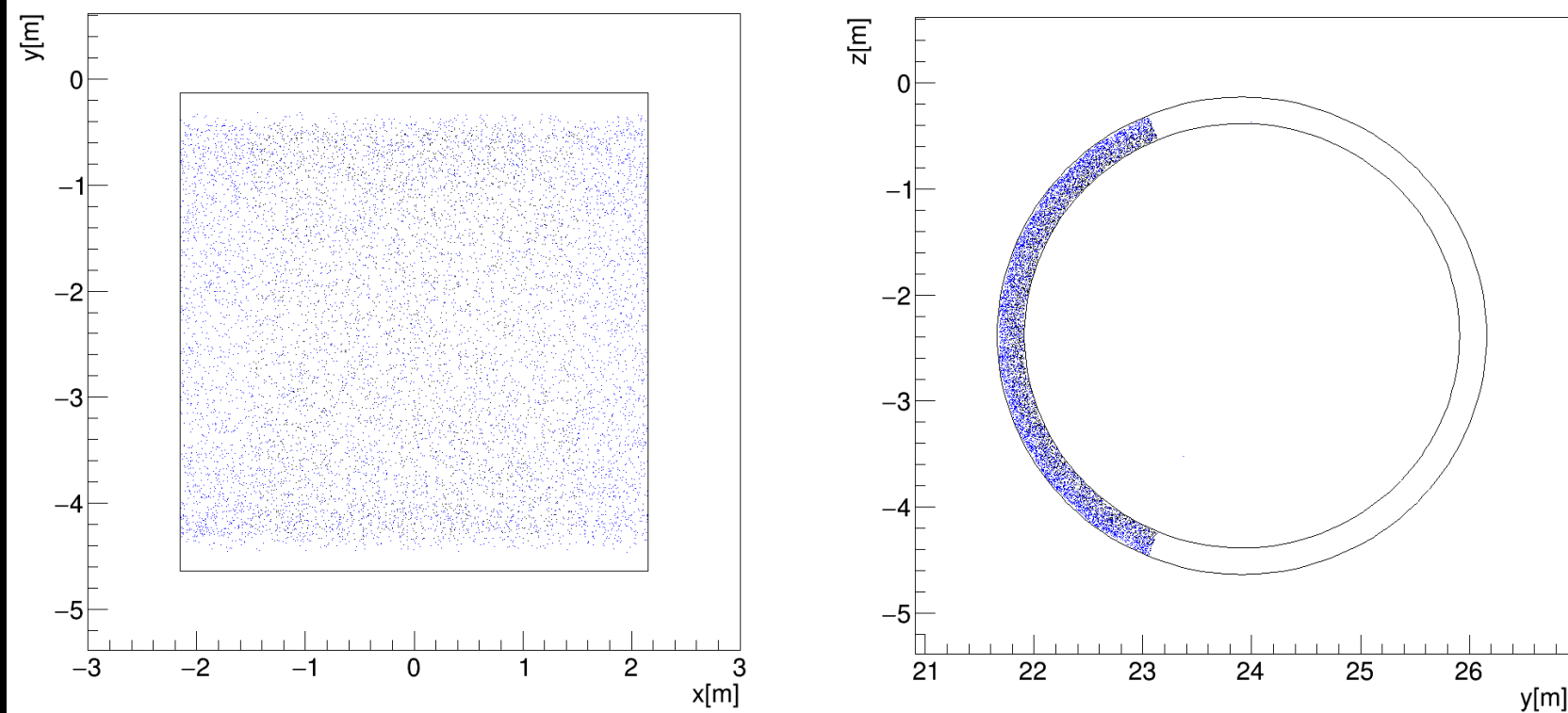
- Simulated 1000 muons at 10 GeV passing through an e.m. calo barrel module

$$\Delta E_{\text{cell}} \simeq \left( \frac{dE}{dx} \right)^{\text{MIP}} \rho_{\text{Pb}} \Delta x_{\text{Pb}} + \left( \frac{dE}{dx} \right)^{\text{MIP}} \rho_{\text{Sc}} \Delta x_{\text{Sc}} \simeq 42.22 \text{ MeV}$$

$$N_{\text{p.e.}}^{\text{cell}} = (97.4 \pm 0.3) \text{ p.e.}$$

$$c = \frac{N_{\text{p.e.}}^{\text{cell}}}{\Delta E_{\text{cell}}} \simeq 2.31 \text{ [p.e./MeV]}$$

# FIDUCIAL CUT



Spatial distribution in ND hall global coordinates of the true neutrino interaction vertexes of the events that survive the outer layer cut (black) and those that don't (blue).

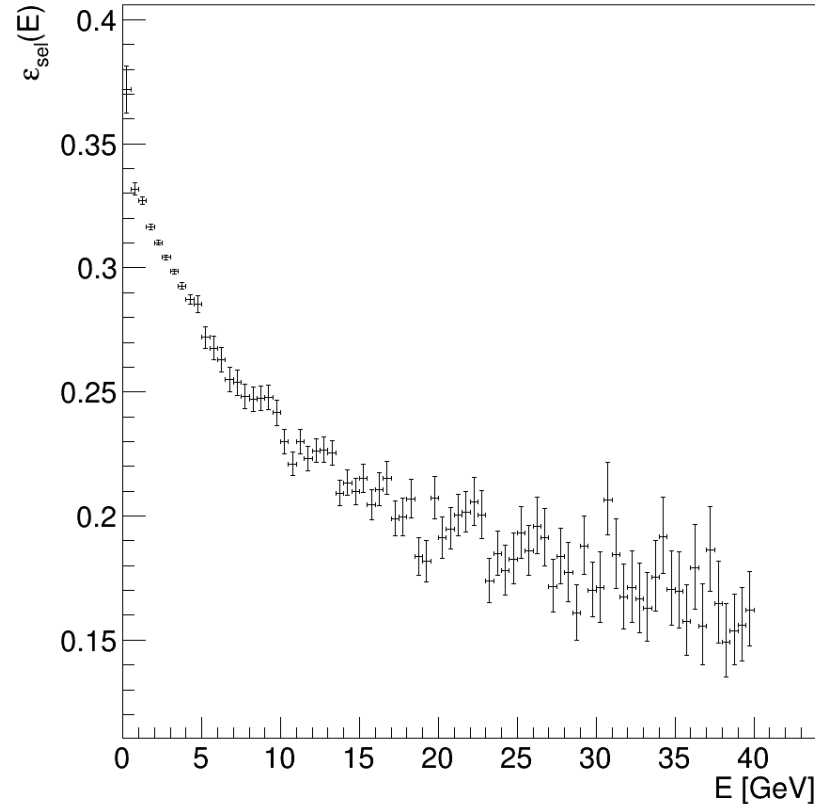
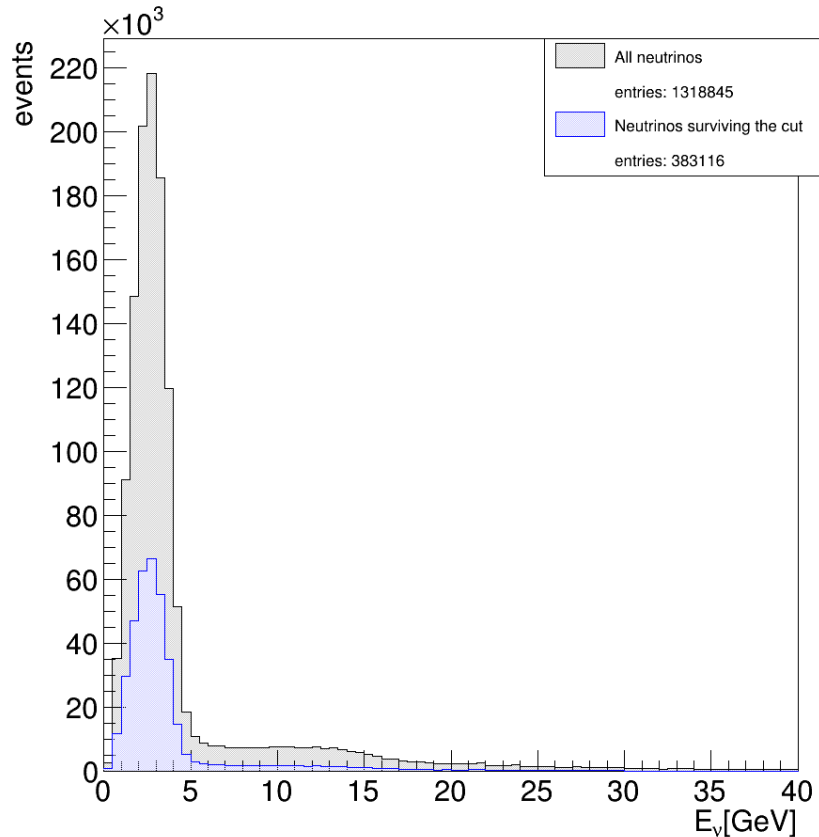
- Threshold on the energy deposition on the outer layer ( $E < 15\text{MeV}$ ):

$$N_{p.e.}^{th} = c \times \Delta E_{th} \simeq 35 \text{ p.e.}$$

- X vertex, estimated as a weighted average on the energy deposition on the cells, is selected as:

$$|x_V| \leq 1.5 \text{ m}$$

# FIDUCIAL CUT



- Selection efficiency:

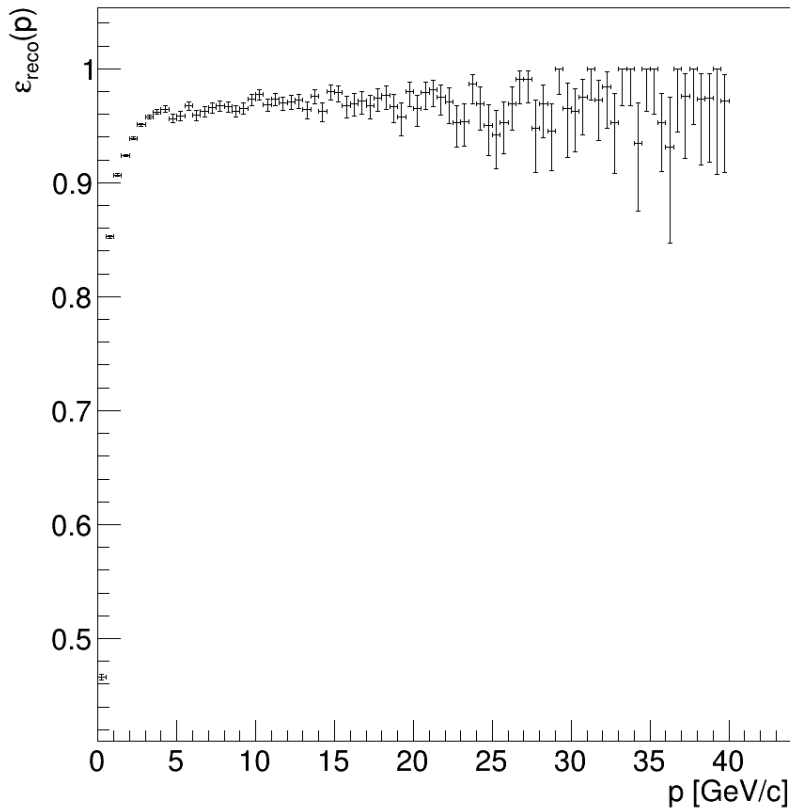
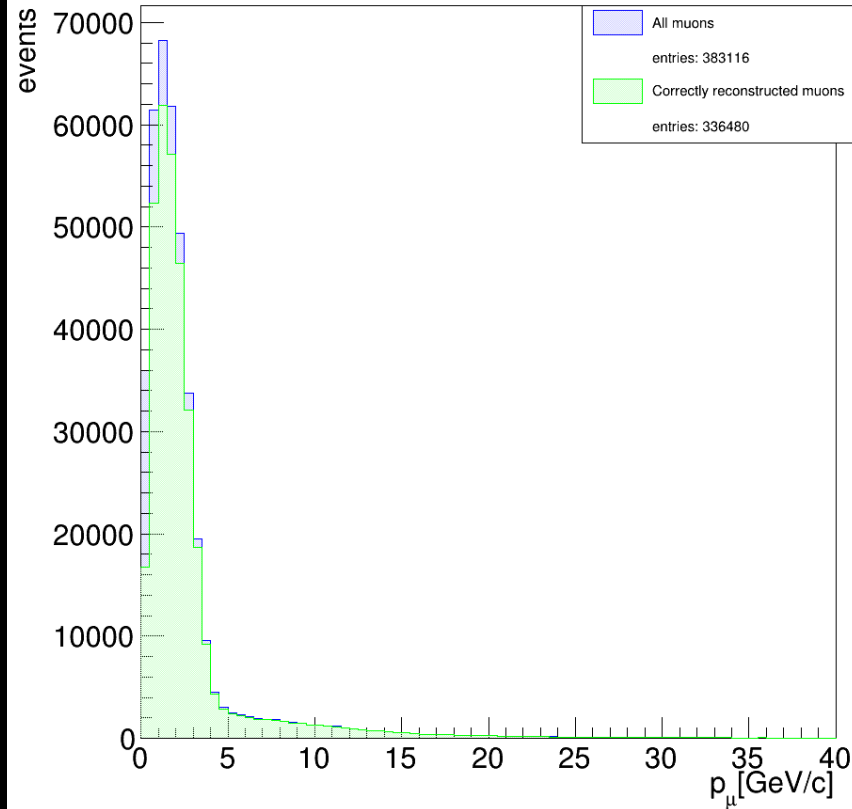
$$\varepsilon_{\text{cut}} = \frac{N_{\text{fid}}}{N_{\text{CC}}} = 0.2905 \pm 0.0004$$

**Note:** efficiency decreases at higher energy; might be due to nuclei fragmentation in DIS

(Left) Energy (Monte Carlo truth) distribution of neutrinos from the CC nominal sample (grey); distribution surviving the fiducial cut (blue).

(Right) Selection efficiency as a function of neutrino energy from the Monte Carlo truth.

# MOMENTUM RECONSTRUCTION SELECTION



- Momentum reconstruction efficiency:

$$\epsilon_{\text{reco}} = \frac{N_{\text{reco}}}{N_{\text{fid}}} = 0.9168 \pm 0.0004$$

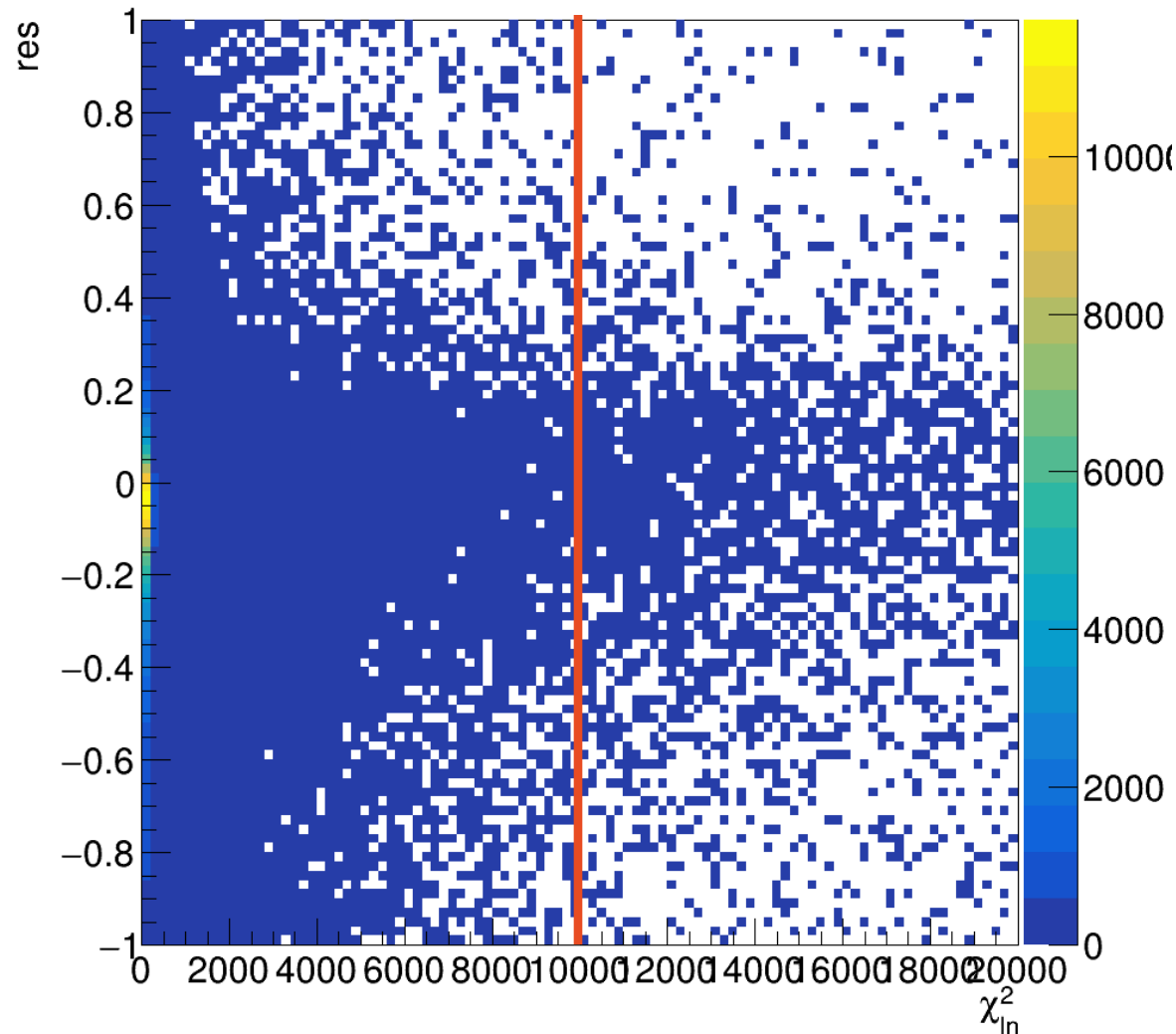
(Left) Distributions of the true Monte Carlo momenta of the muons from the fiducial sample (blue) and only the ones correctly reconstructed (green).

(Right) Reconstruction algorithm efficiency as a function of the true Monte Carlo muon momentum



# MOMENTUM RECONSTRUCTION QUALITY SELECTION

cambia taglio, grafico e  
formule



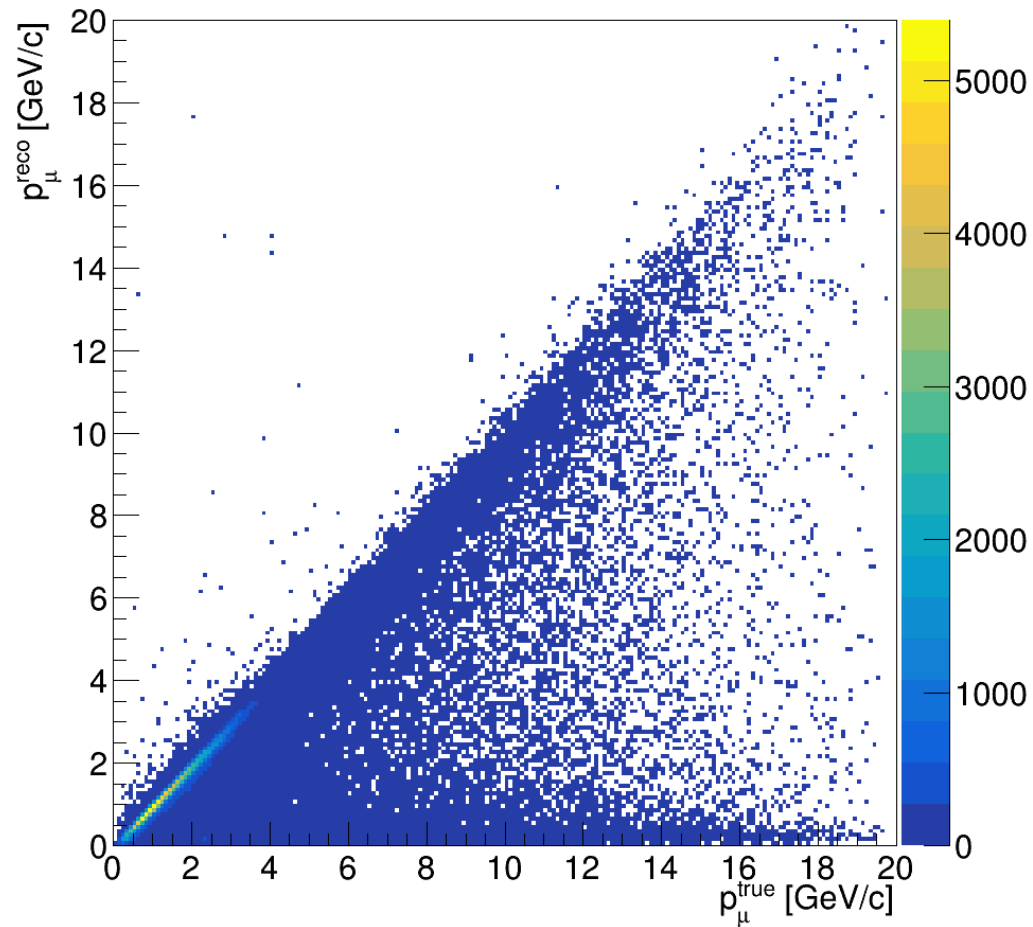
$$\chi_{ln}^2 = \frac{1}{N_{hits}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{hits}} (x_i - x_0 - \rho_i \tan \lambda)^2$$

$$res = 1 - p_{\mu}^{true} / p_{\mu}^{reco}$$

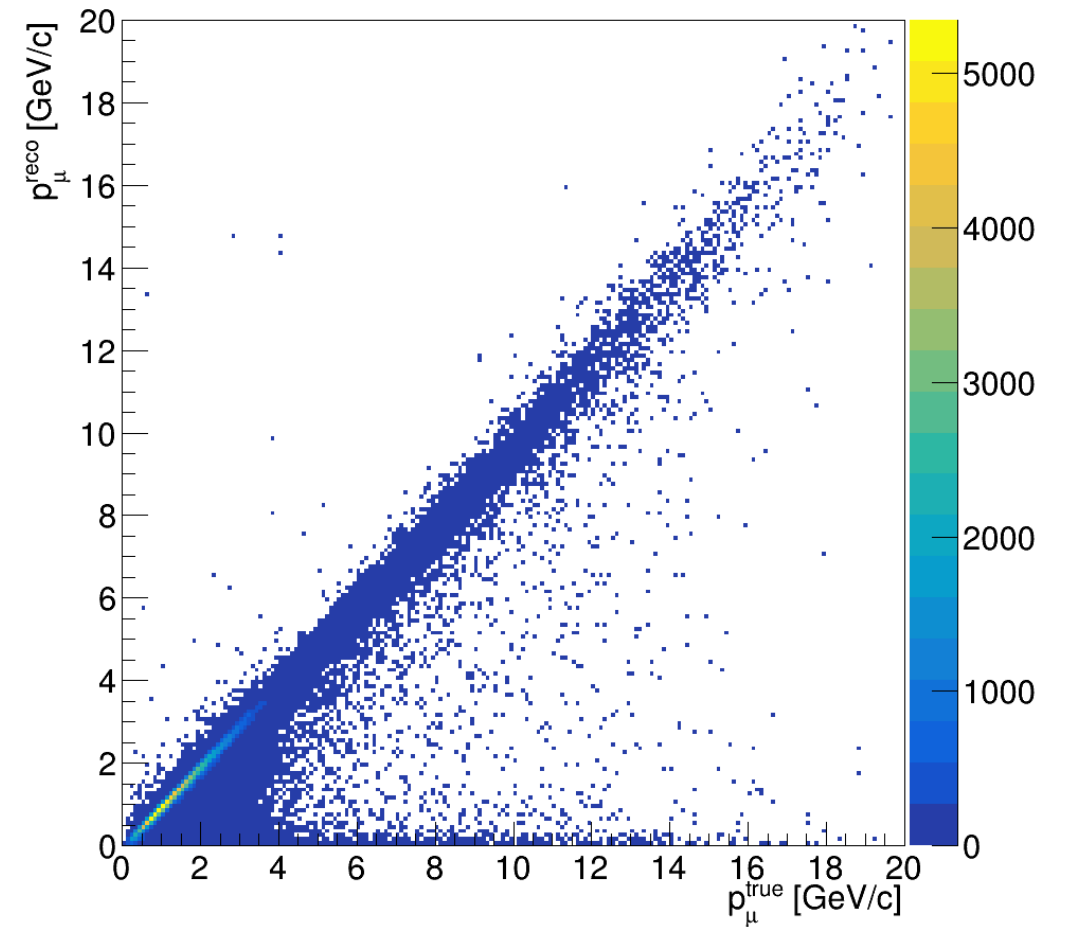
$$\chi_{ln}^2 < 10^5$$

$$\varepsilon_{qual} = \frac{N_{qual}}{N_{reco}} = 0.9290 \pm 0.0004$$

# MOMENTUM RECONSTRUCTION QUALITY SELECTION



BEFORE CUT



AFTER CUT

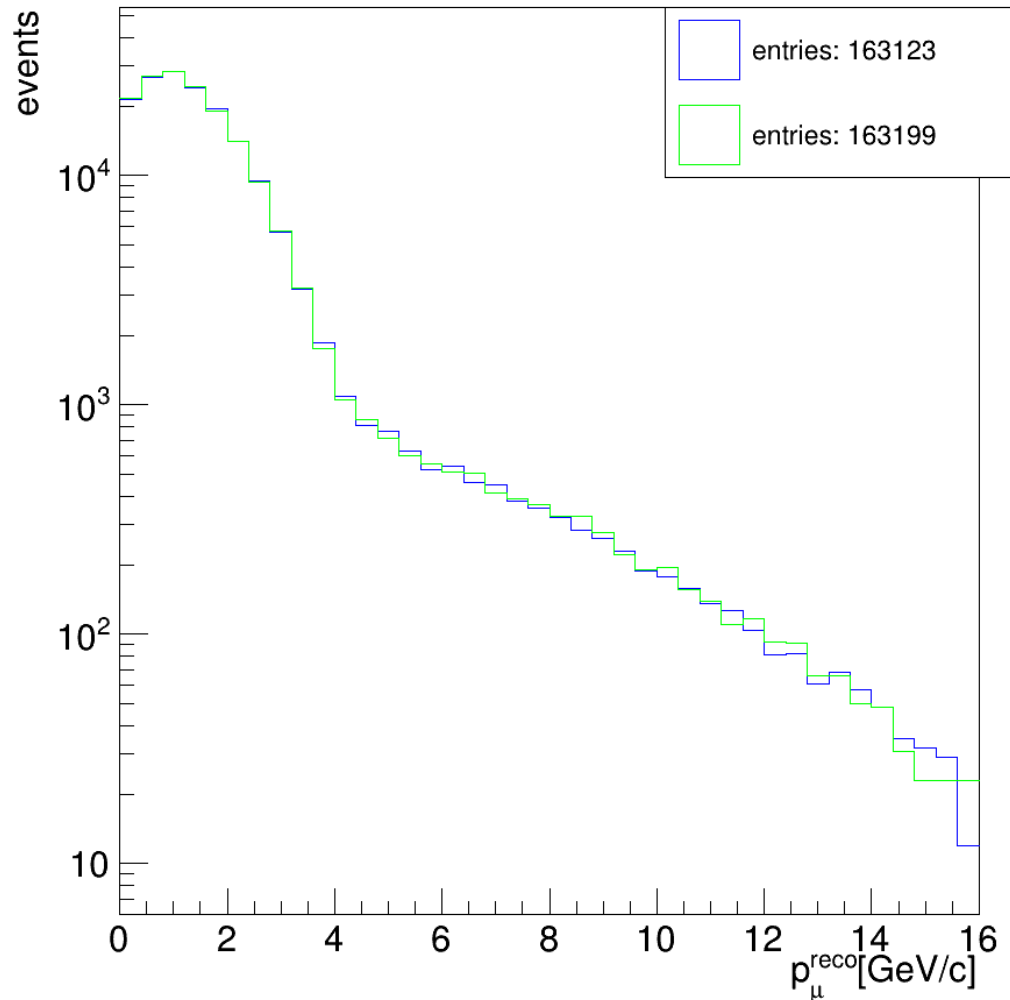
# CHI-SQUARED TWO-SAMPLE TEST STATISTICS

- ~~We use a chi-squared two-sample test to distinguish between the reconstructed momenta distribution histograms of the “nominal” and “shifted” sample:~~

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(u_i - v_i)^2}{u_i + v_i}$$

- Where  $k$  is the number of bins in the histograms and  $u$  and  $v$  are their contents
- ~~$T$  approximately follows a chi-squared distribution as long as the sample is big enough that the bin contents are distributed following Poisson.~~

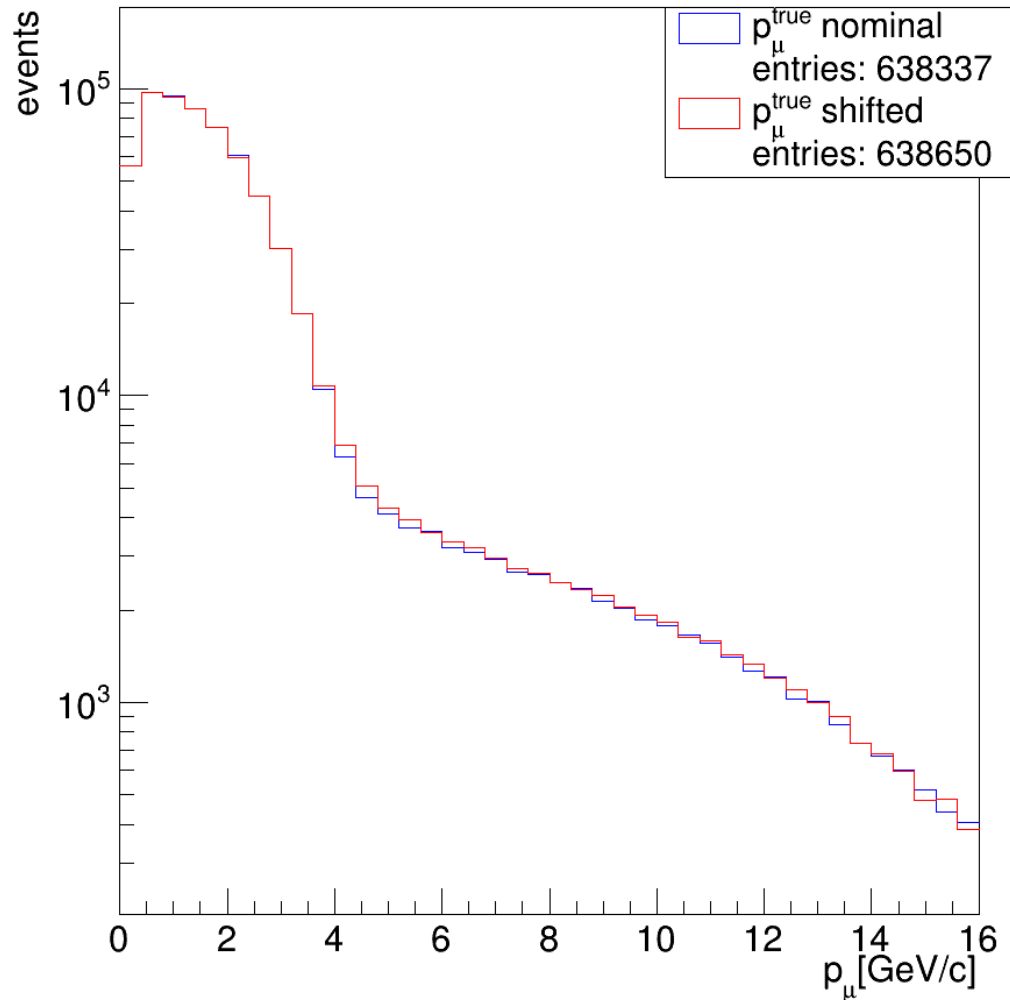
# CONTROL ANALYSIS: TWO NOMINAL SAMPLES



- We apply the  $T$  to the reconstructed momenta from two nominal samples.
- The fiducial and first reconstruction selection are applied
- If the method is capable of distinguishing between the products of two different neutrino beam configurations, we expect to obtain a p-value for two control samples that follow the same distribution that is close to 1:

$$p_{control} = 0.527; \quad \sigma_{control} = 0.633 \text{ } (\chi^2)$$

# CONTROL ANALYSIS: IDEAL SELECTION



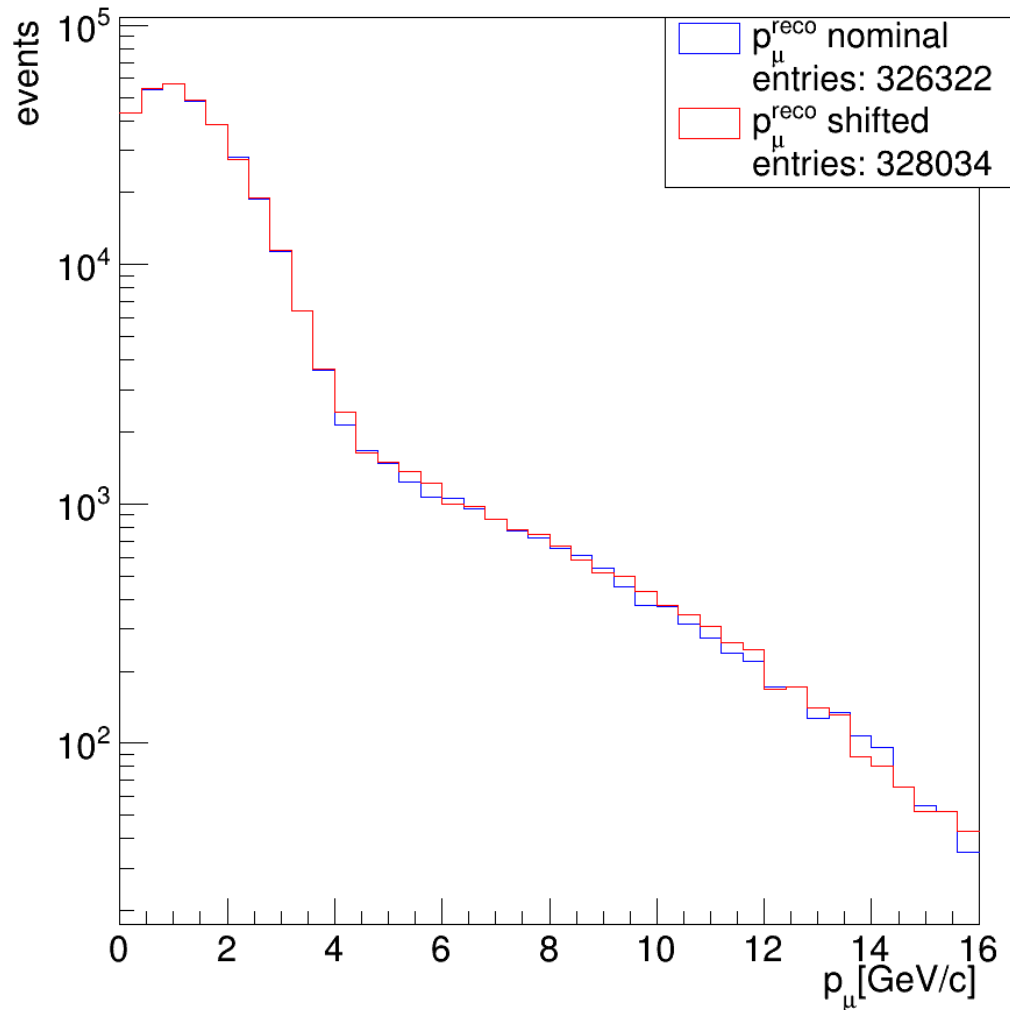
events whose true interaction position was in the fiducial volume

- We applied  $T$  the test to the true Monte Carlo momenta from the nominal and shifted samples.
- A fiducial cut was applied by selecting only ~~the CC events whose interactions were not on the outer layer of the calorimeter and for which the vertex true  $x$  coordinate was  $<1.5$  m~~
- This was done in order to gauge what the best possible p-value (i.e. the smallest and most decisive) might be:

$$p_{truth} = 5.15 \times 10^{-7}; \quad \sigma_{truth} = 5.02 \text{ } (\chi^2)$$

**Note:** in principle no p-value should be smaller than  $p_{truth}$

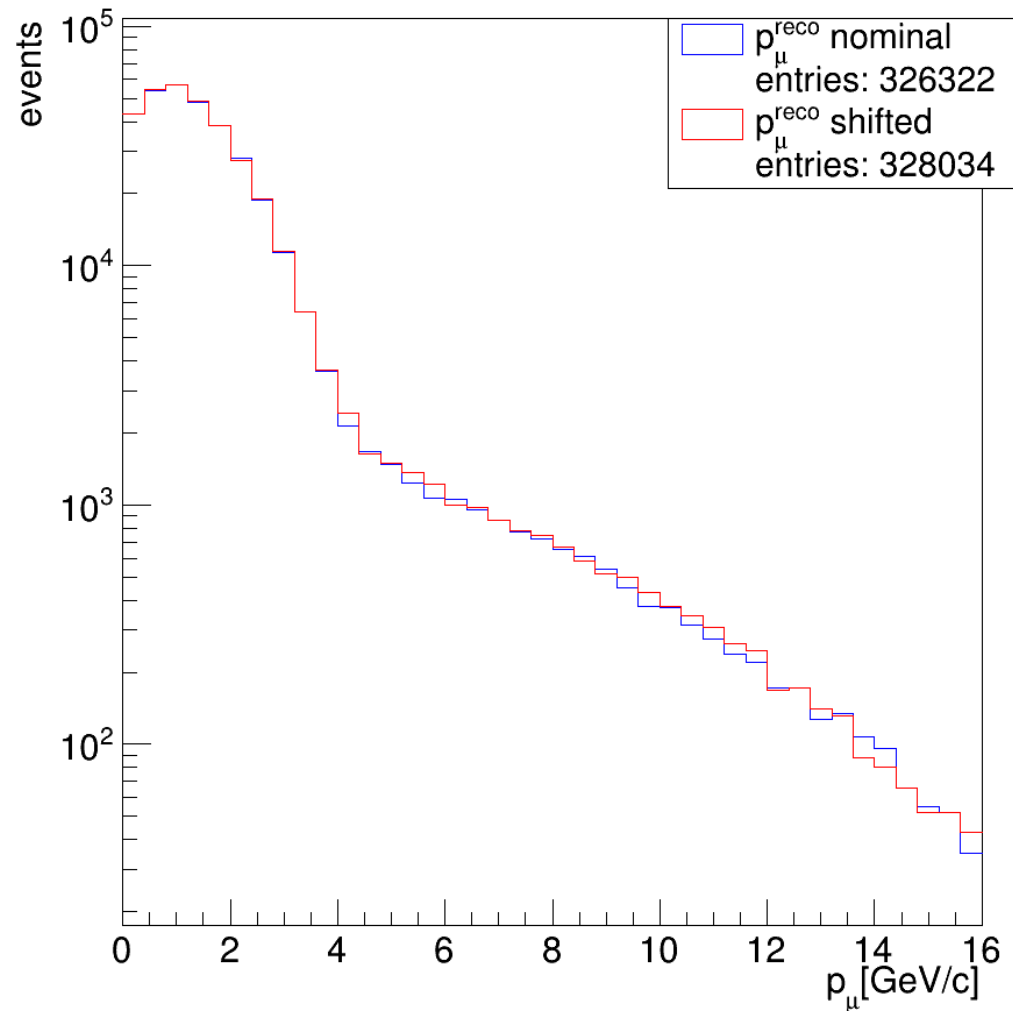
# RESULTS: FIDUCIAL + RECONSTRUCTION



- The first two samples considered for beam monitoring are the muon reconstructed momenta after the fiducial cut and the selection on the successfulness of the muon reconstruction are applied:

$$p_{reco} = 1.55 \times 10^{-3};$$
$$\sigma_{reco} = 3.17 (\chi^2)$$

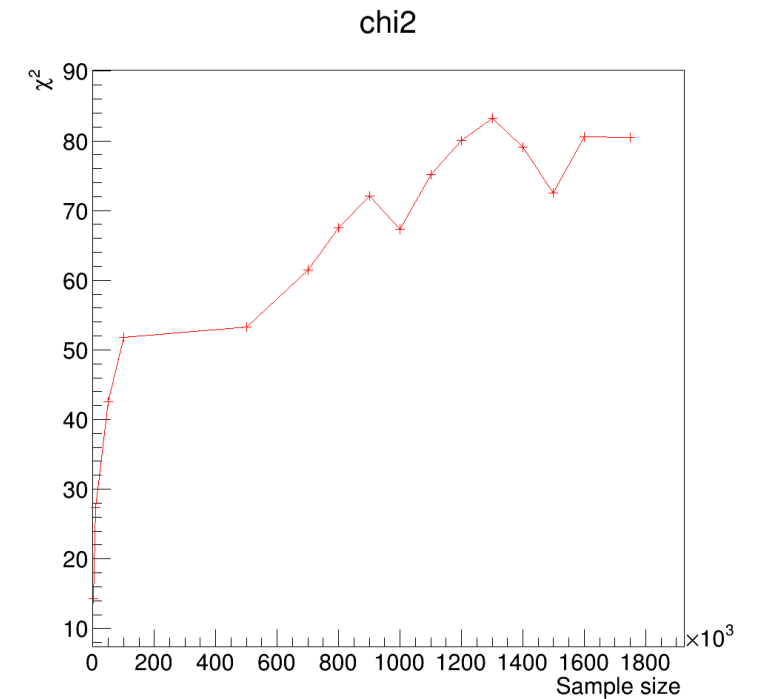
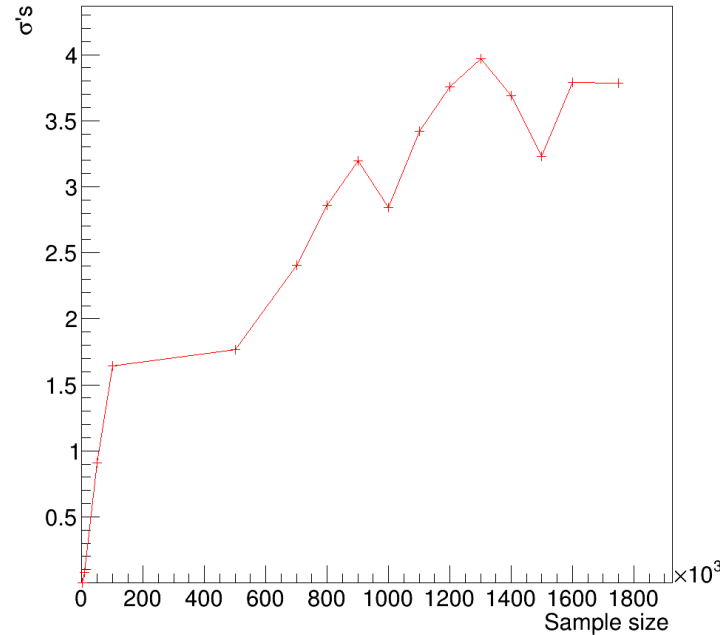
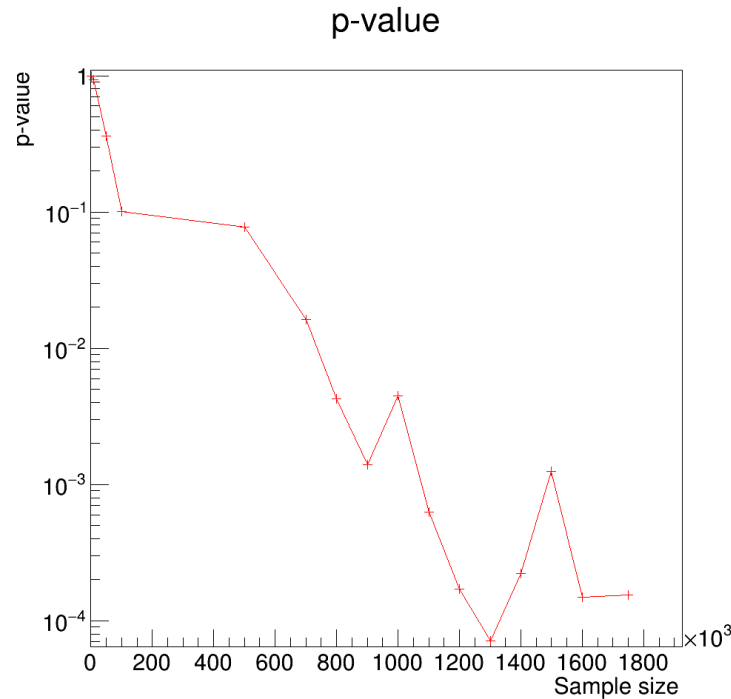
# RESULTS: FIDUCIAL + RECONSTRUCTION + QUALITY



- We repeat the procedure by applying the quality cut to both samples:

$$p_{reco} = 1.55 \times 10^{-4};$$
$$\sigma_{reco} = 3.78$$

# P-VALUE EVOLUTION WITH THE SAMPLE



- As we should expect, as the samples become larger the  $\chi^2$  and number of  $\sigma$ 's increase, while the p-value decreases.
- With a sample greater than 1.2 million events, comparable to (even if smaller) that the one expected during a week of data taking, is possible to identify the beam anomaly with a confidence level corresponding to more than  $3\sigma$



# CONCLUSIONS

Using reconstructed quantities, fiducial volume and quality selection we reach

- We observed that in the case of a perfect detector with a perfect reconstruction, (i.e. using the Monte Carlo “truth”), the significance of the difference among the nominal and shifted samples does not exceed  $5\sigma$
- ~~After a detailed analysis, we found that we are able to distinguish the two reconstructed samples at  $3.8\sigma$  confidence level~~
- The result can be improved: for example include neutrinos with interactions in the STT, or consider the reconstructed position on the  $xy$  plane of the interaction vertexes, both in the front calorimeters and the STT.