

# Extraction of the muon signal using LSTM in the TA experiment

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# TA experiment

We want to extract the muon signal from the full SD detector signal

In the future, with such data, it will be possible to test various interaction models for the compatibility of LHC data and astrophysical experiments.

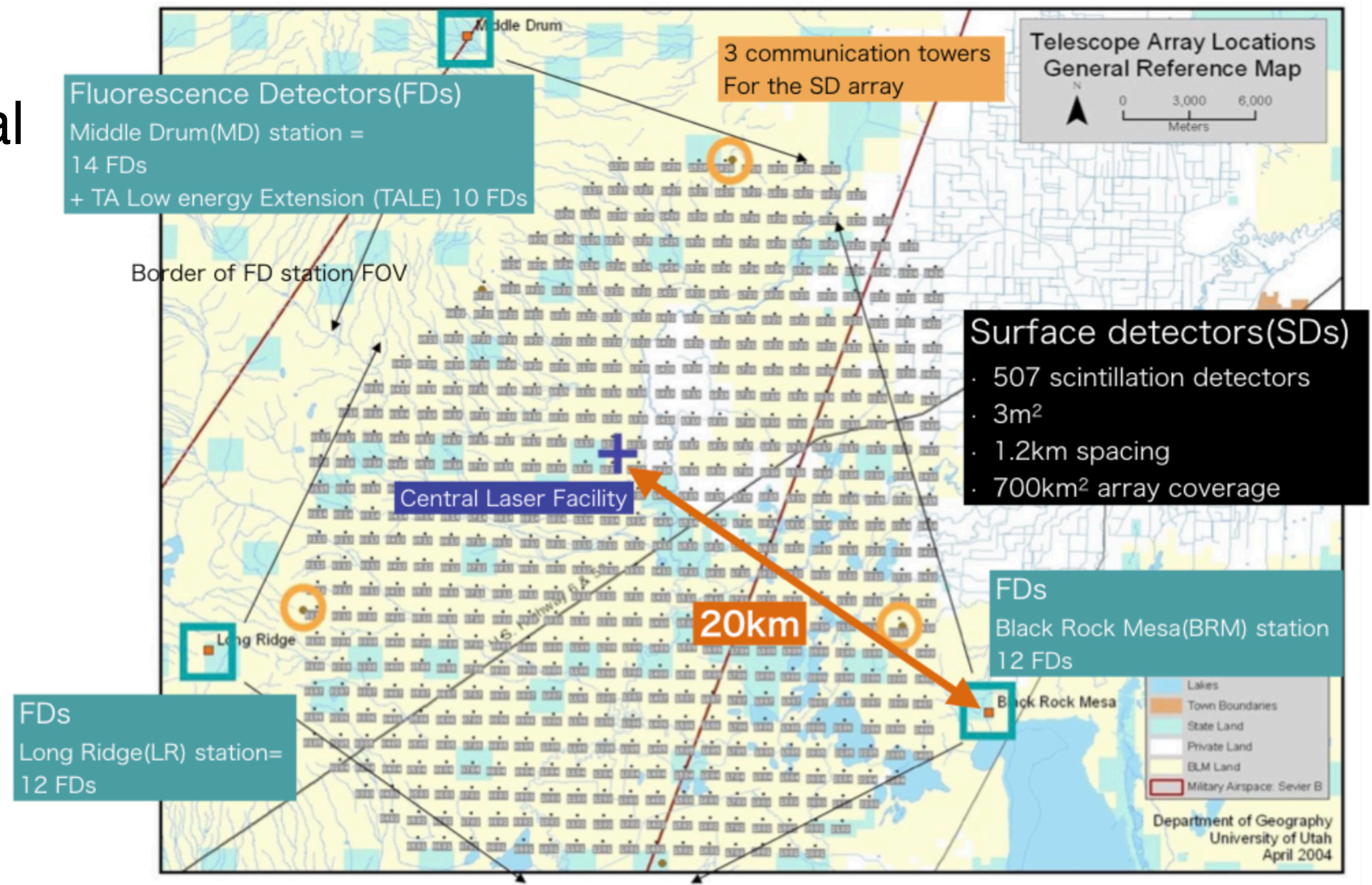
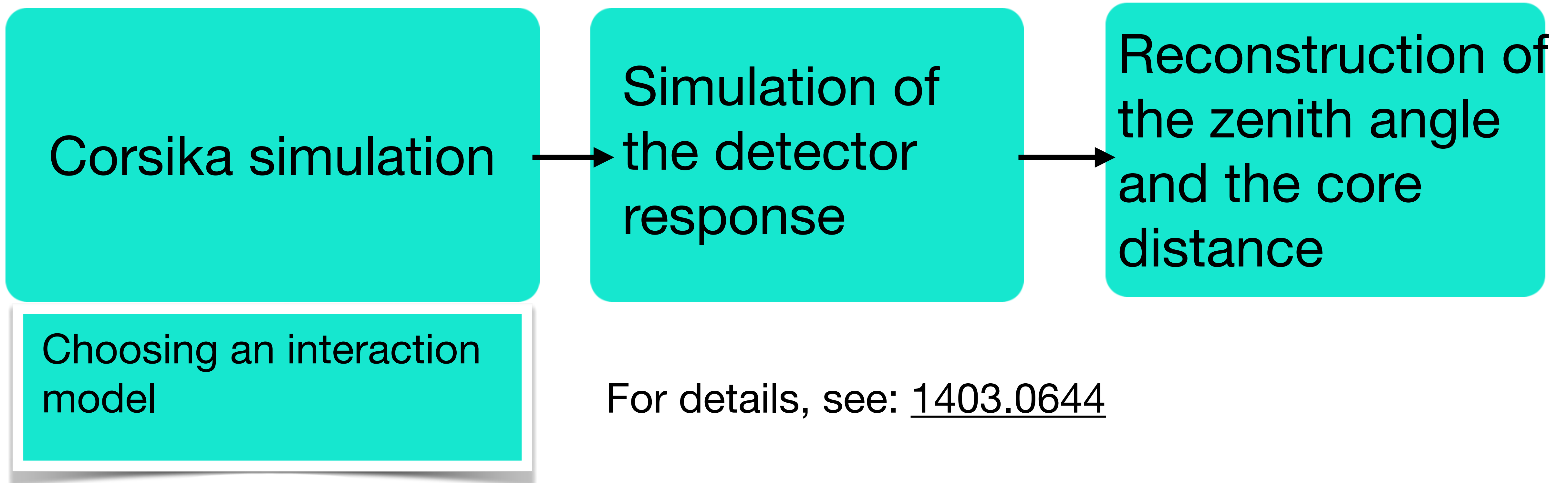


Fig.1: Telescope array experiment scheme

# Data production



As a result, we get a dataset containing about 2M events.

# Dataset used

- We use QGSJET II-03 model for particle interactions

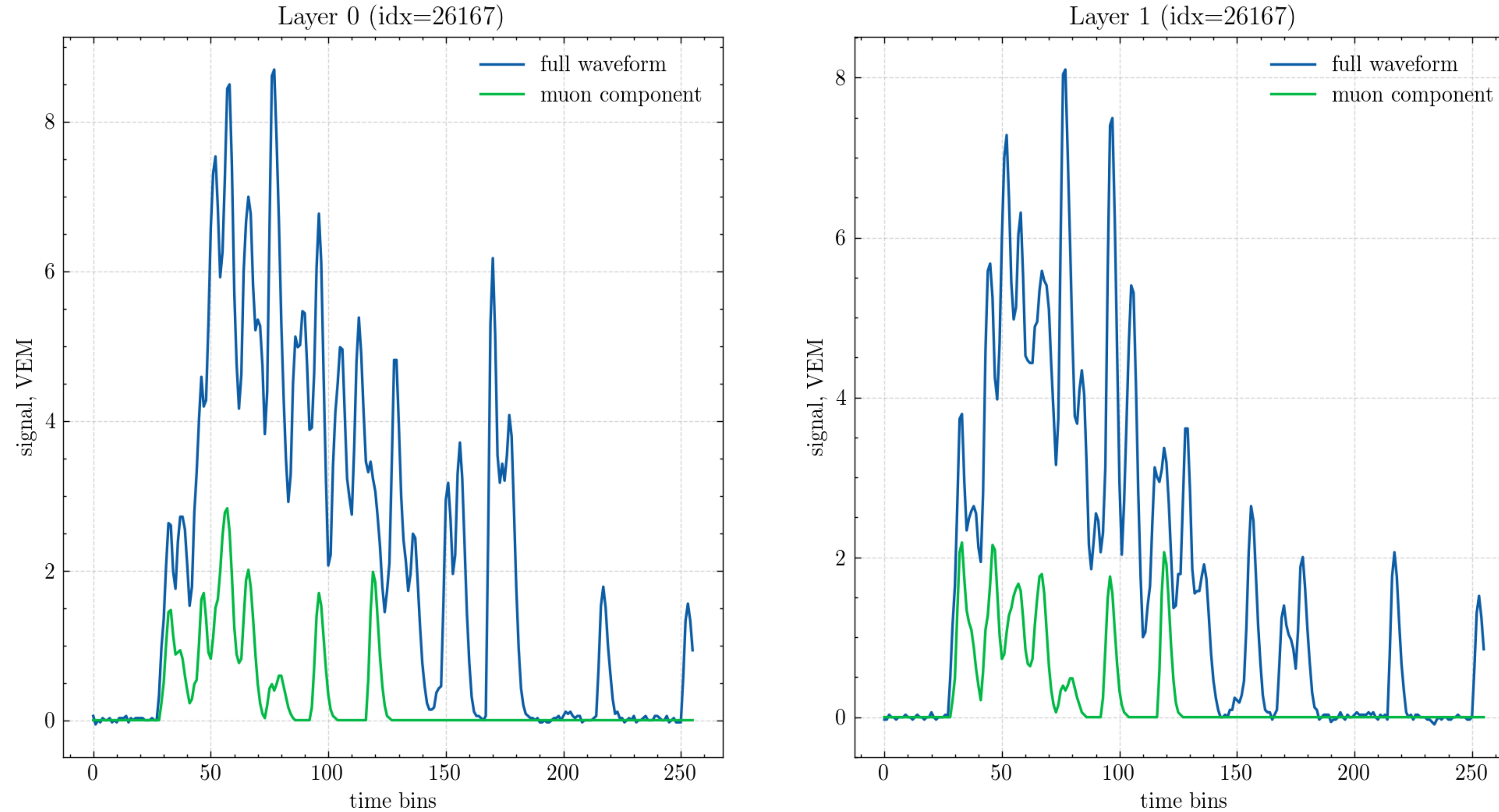


Fig.2: Input data example

# LSTM

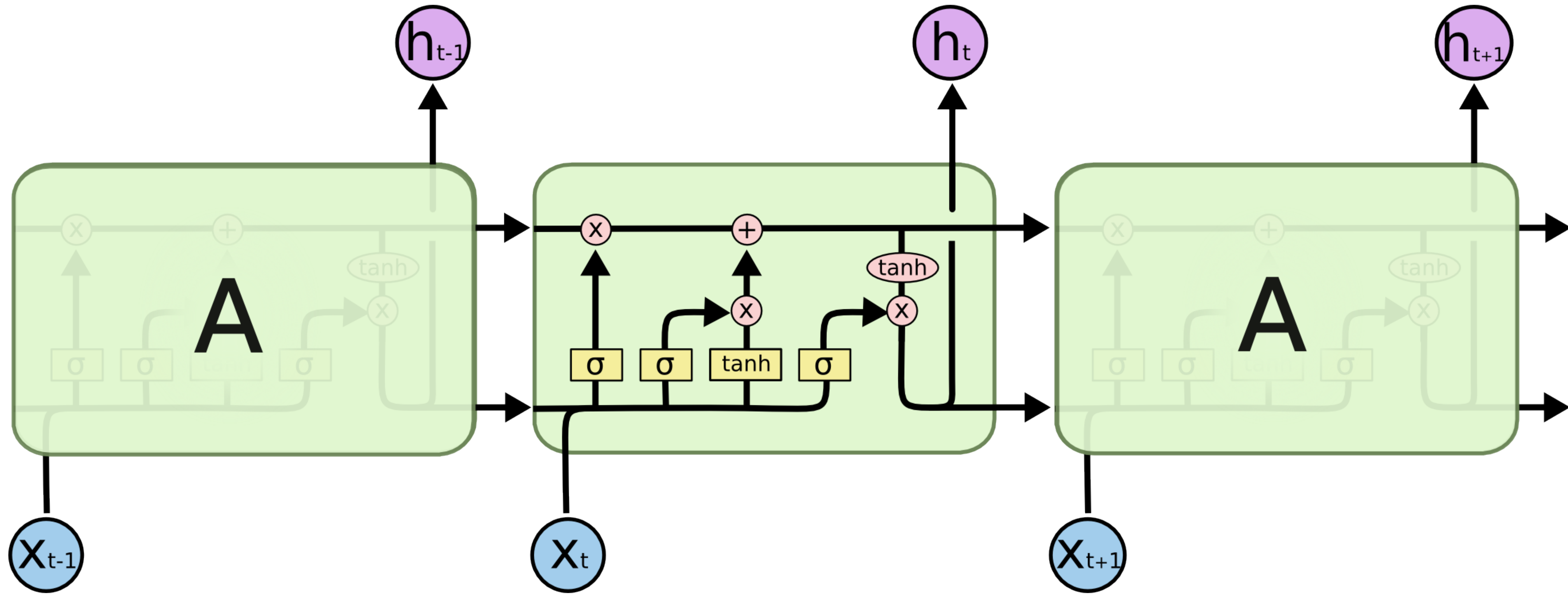


Fig.3: LSTM block diagram

# Neural network architecture

We took the architecture used for a similar problem in the Pierre Auger experiment, see [2103.11983](#)

Changes made:

- We take the signals from both layers as input, the first two frames (256 bins), so the input sequence is  $256 \times 2$ , and the first LSTM takes two sequences.
- As output, the neural network produces a muon signal on both layers with a size of  $256 \times 2$

$$\text{Loss function: } L = \frac{1}{256 \cdot 2} \sum_{j=0}^1 \sum_{i=1}^{256} (S_{ij,pred} - S_{ij,true})^2$$

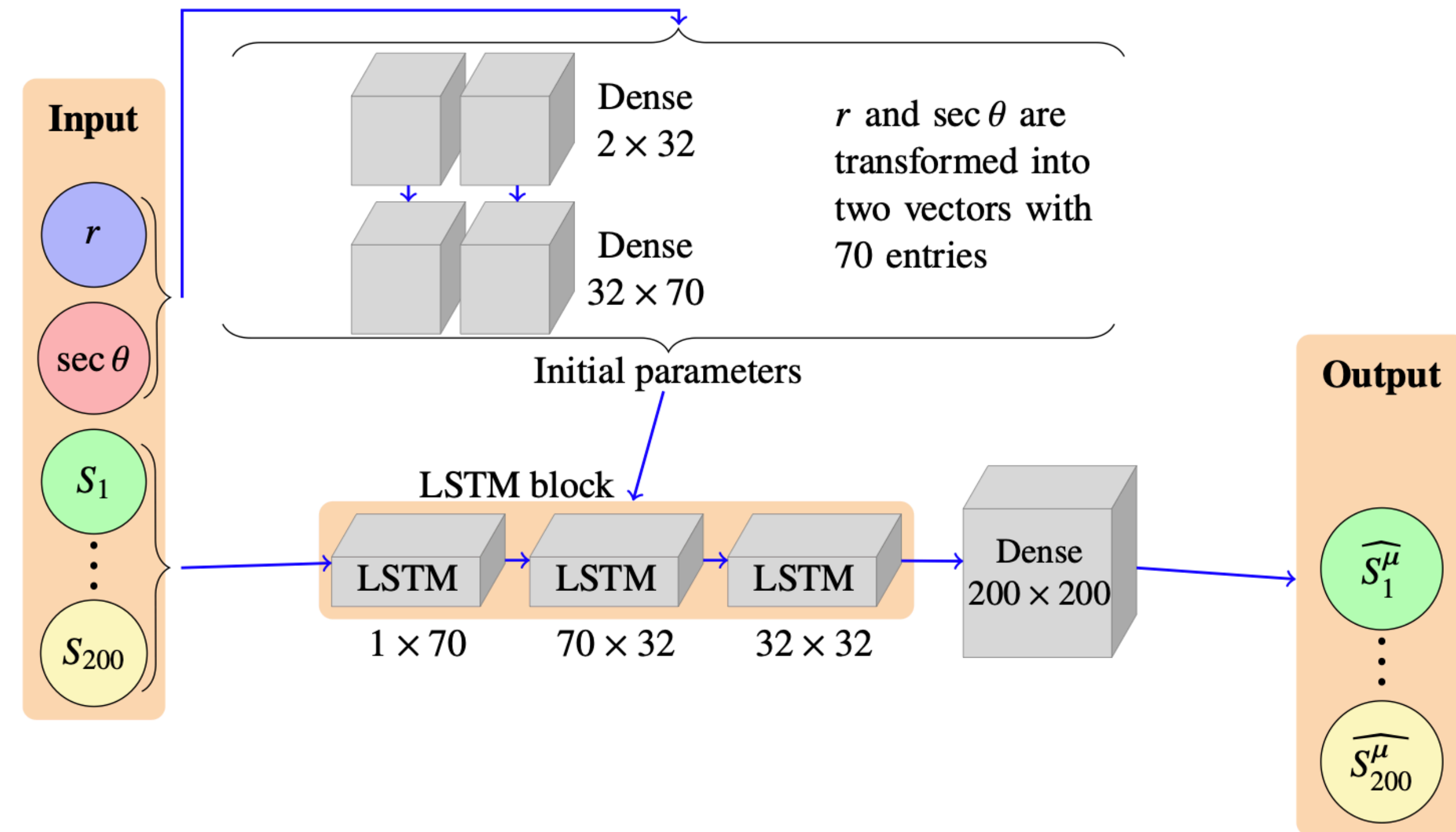


Fig.4: Original architecture for Pierre Auger experiment

# Data preprocessing

- We only keep events where two layers are triggered
- We use reconstruction to restore zenith angle and distance from the core
- Zenith angle range from 0 to 45
- The number of stations that registered an event is greater than 5, and then we only keep the event with the largest integral signal
- Distance from the core and sec of zenith angle are scaled to be between 0 and 1
- The full signals are individually scaled to be between 0 and 1, and the muon signal is scaled by the same factor

# Train/Test/Validation split

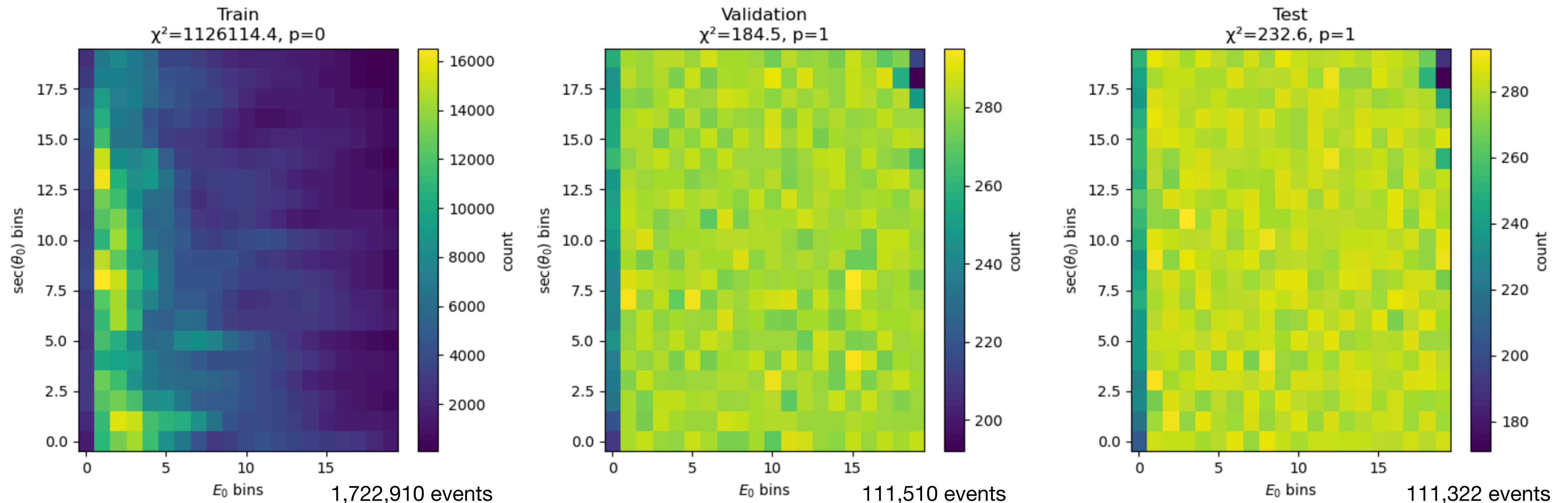


Fig.5: Train/Test/Validation split

The data is split in such a way that the test and validation datasets have a uniform distribution of energy and  $\sec(\theta)$ . The remaining data goes to the training dataset. The graphs show the 2-d  $\chi^2$  test for compatibility with a uniform distribution

# Results: Waveform predictions

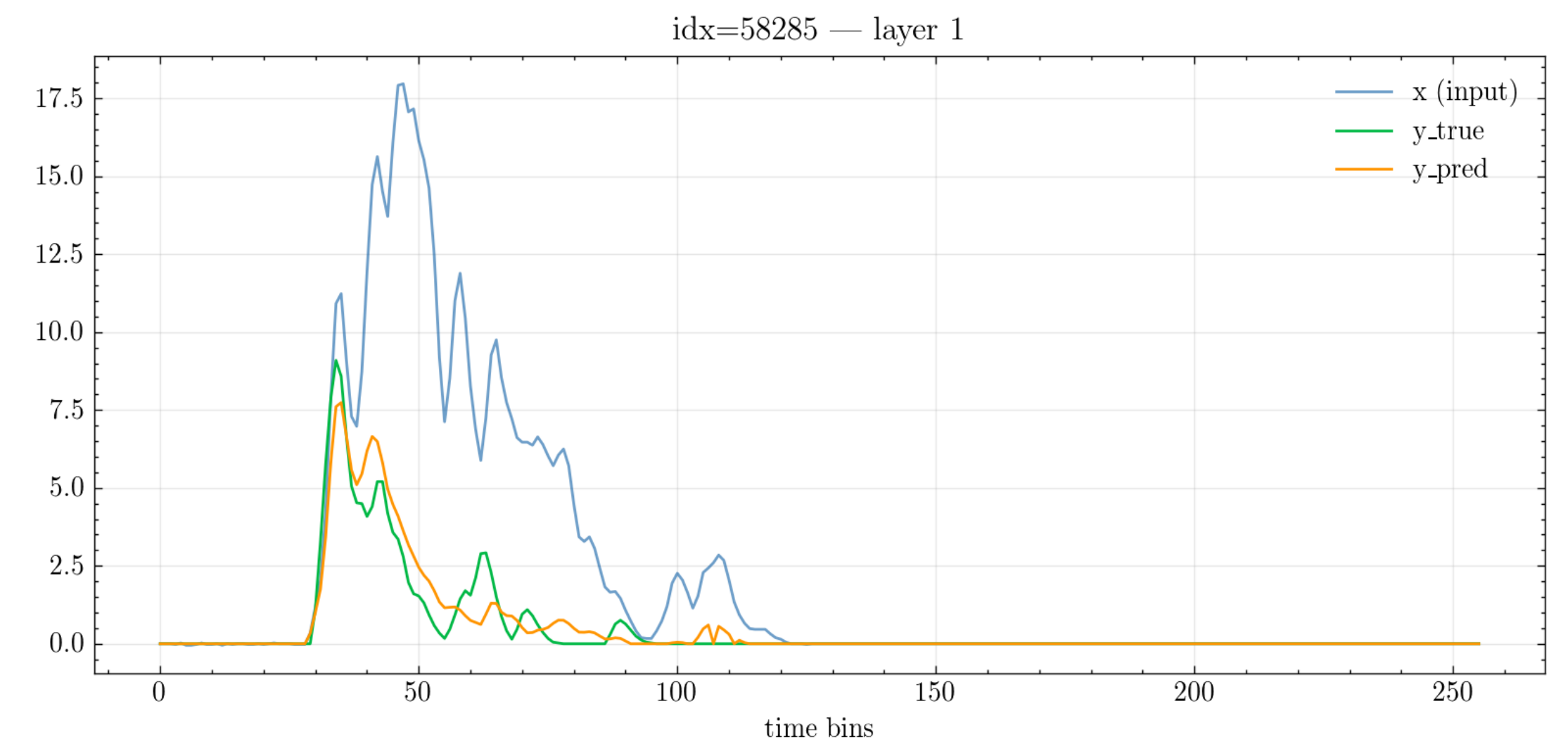
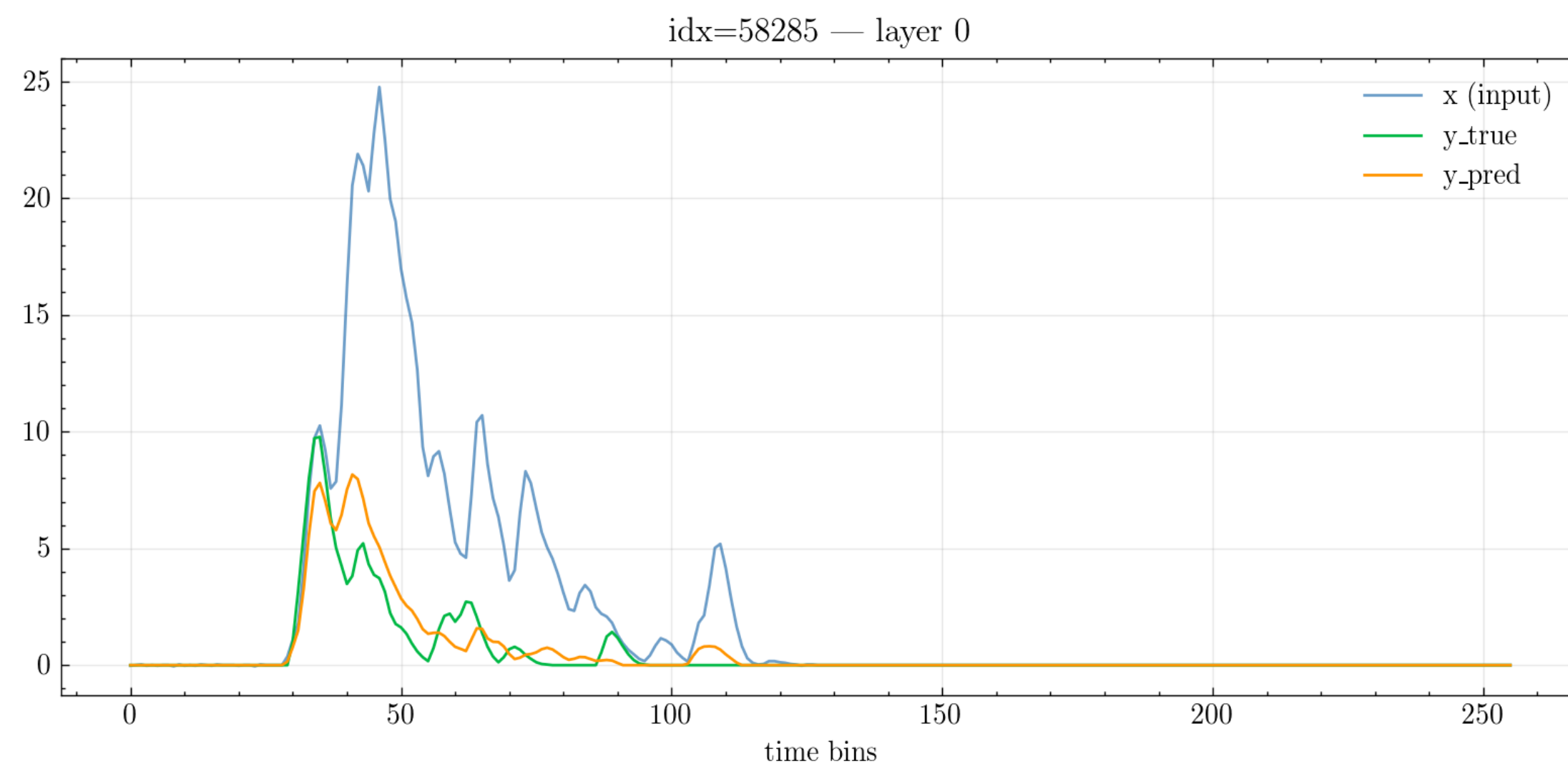
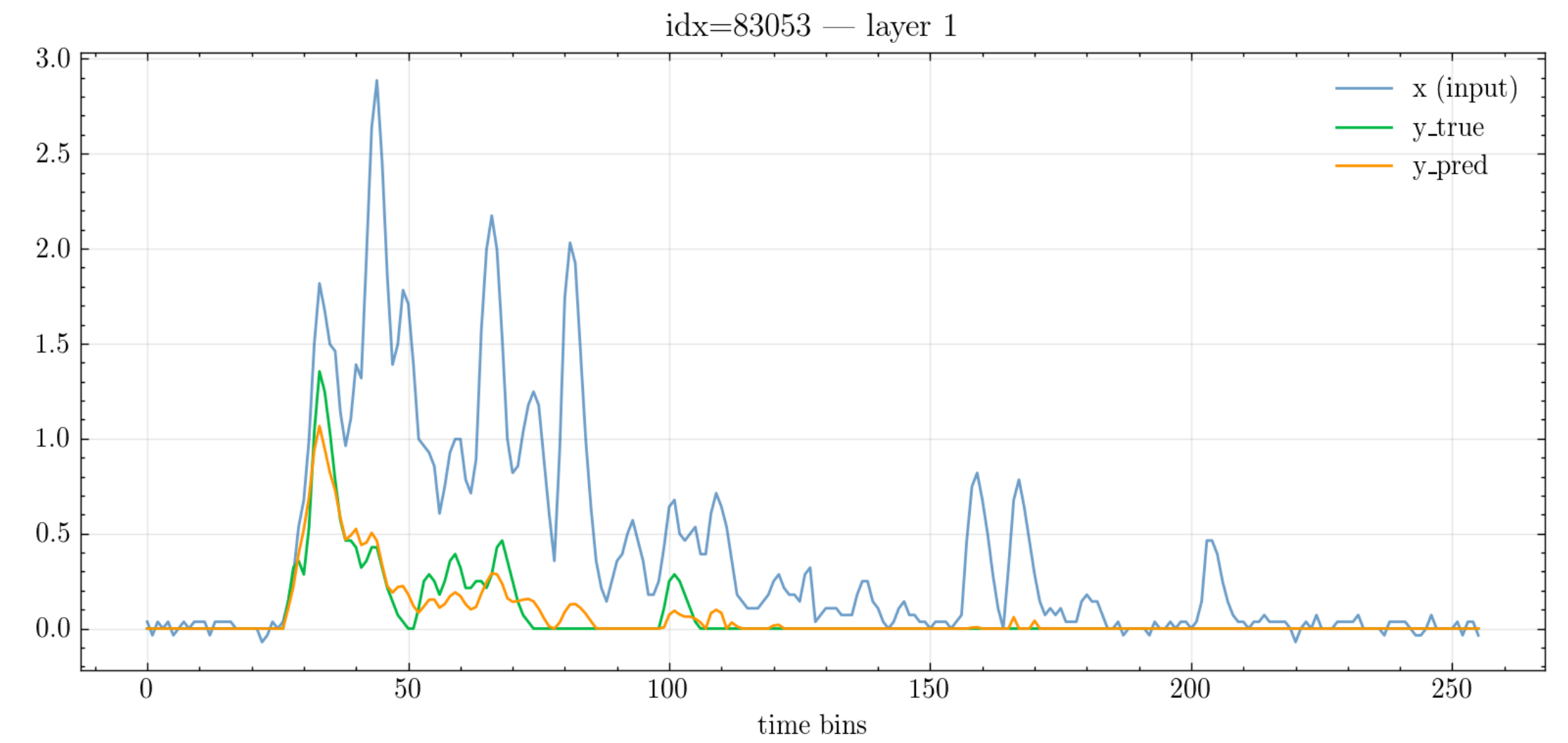
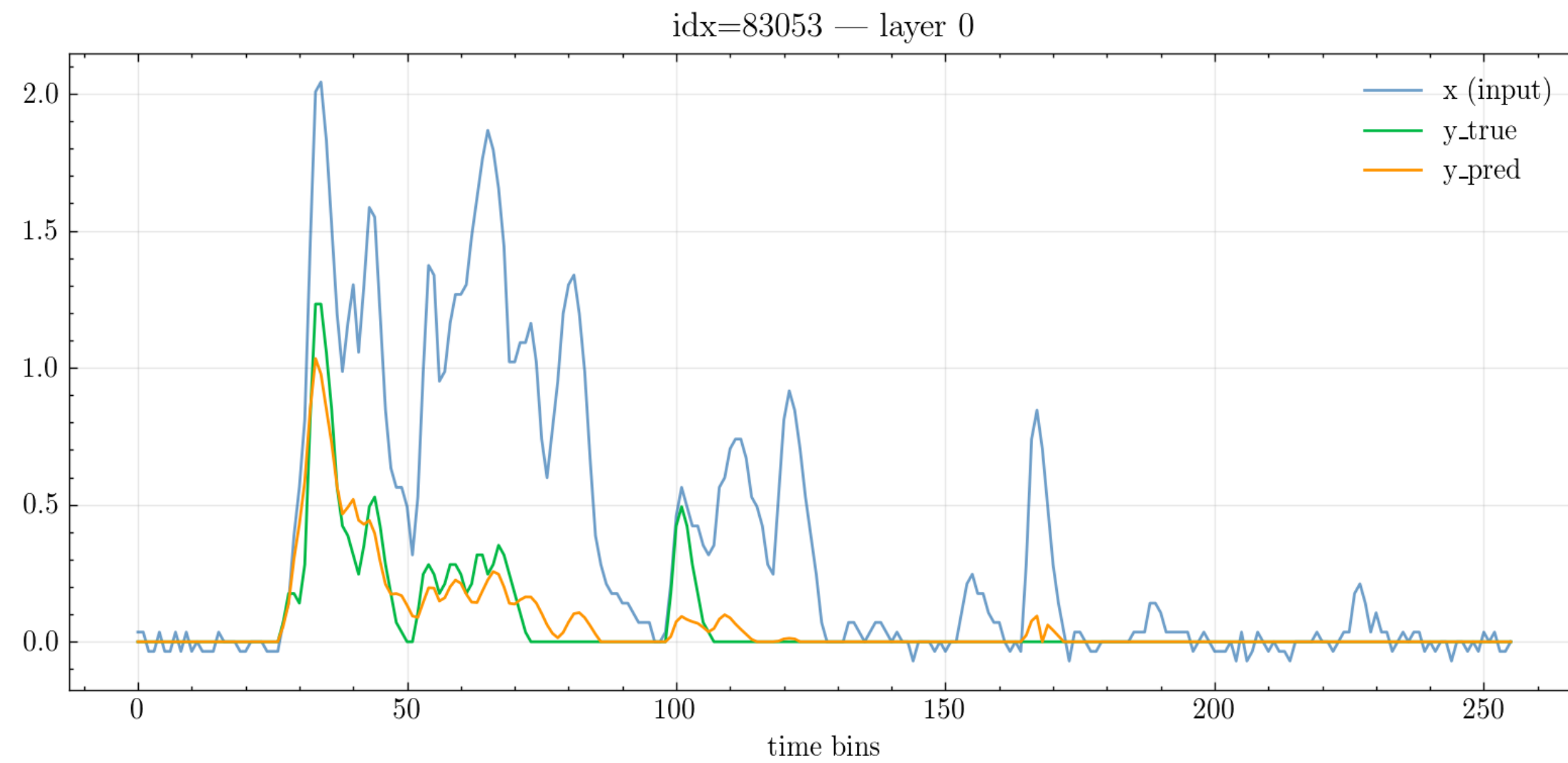
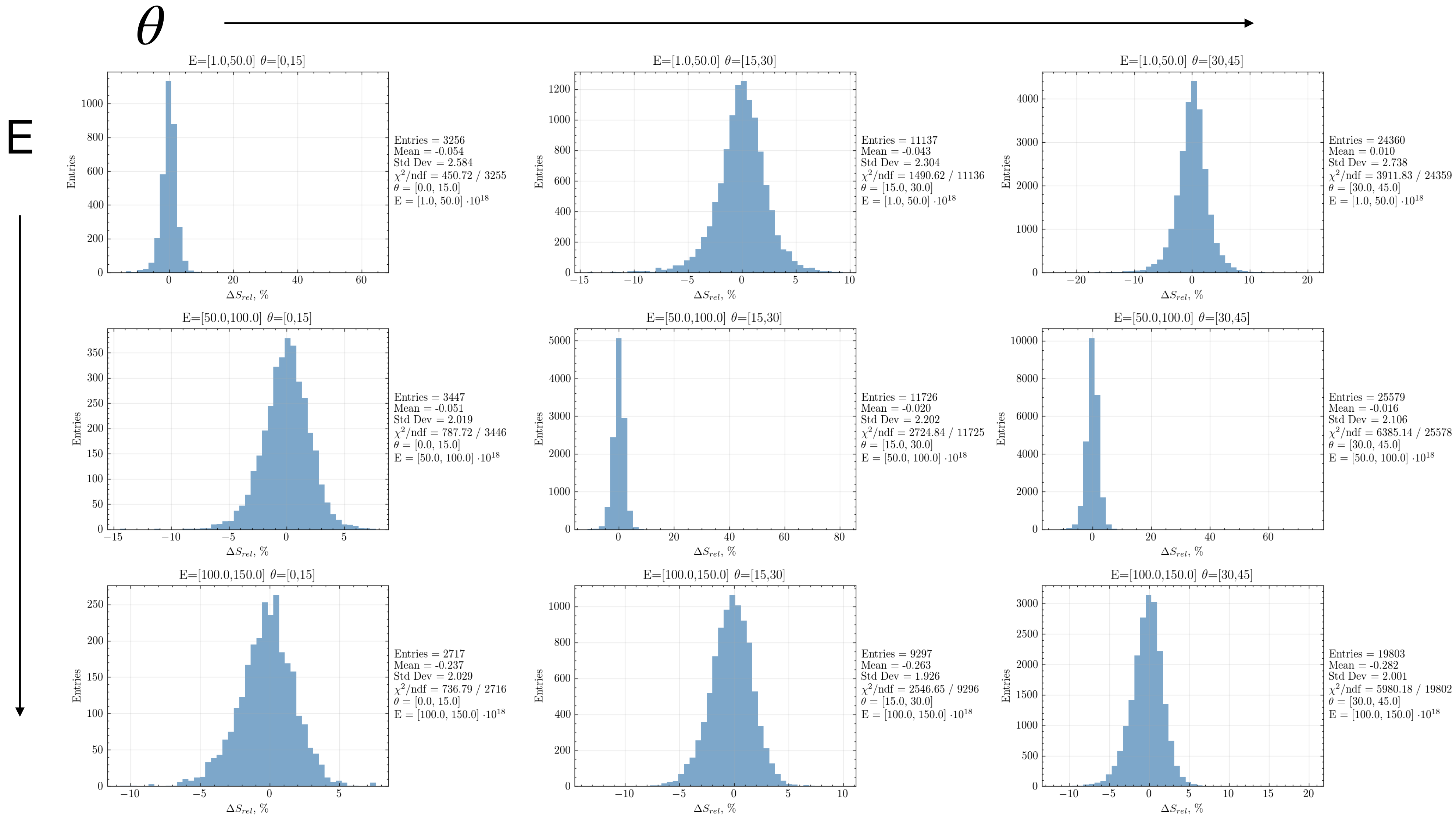


Fig.6: Waveform predictions examples

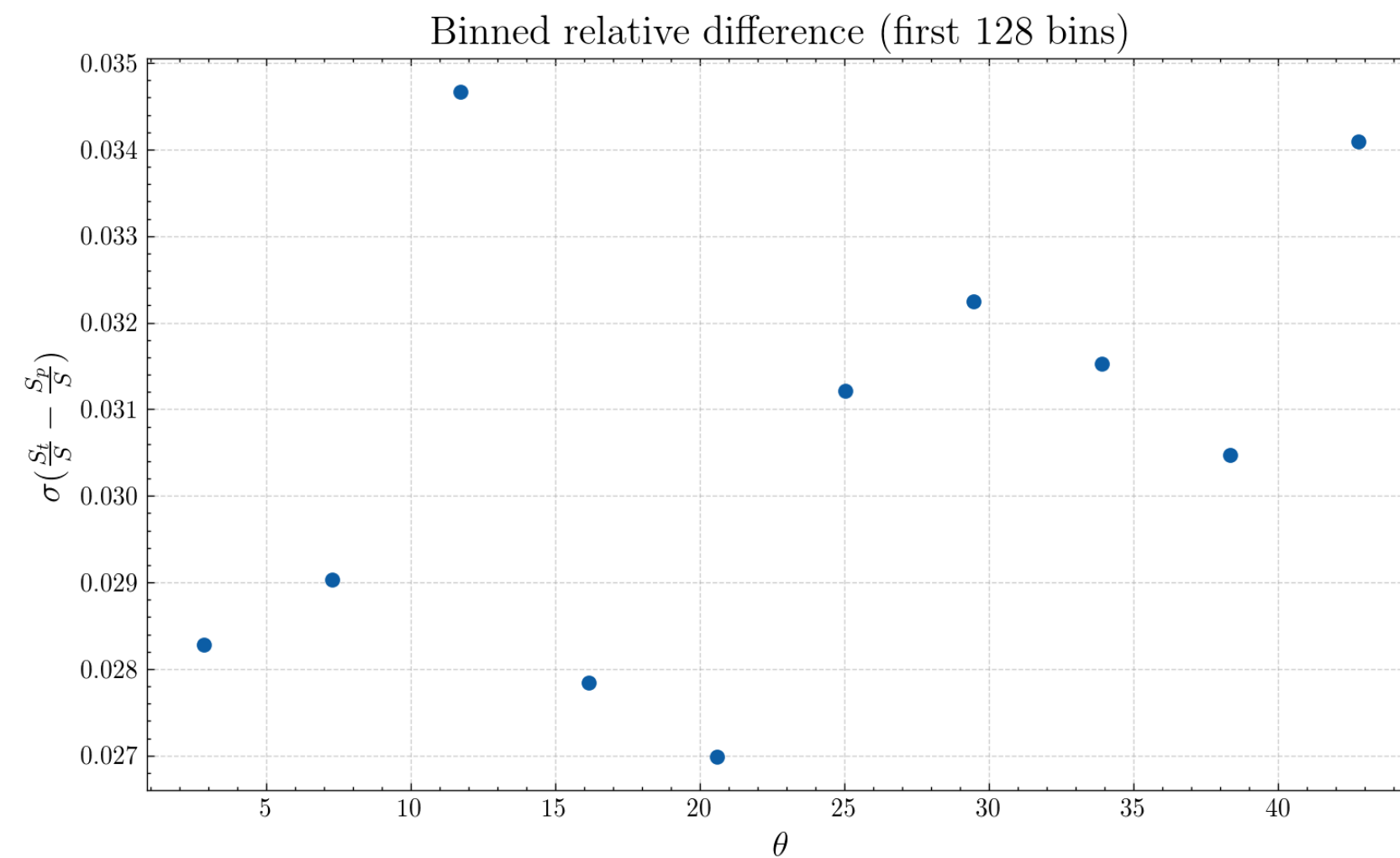
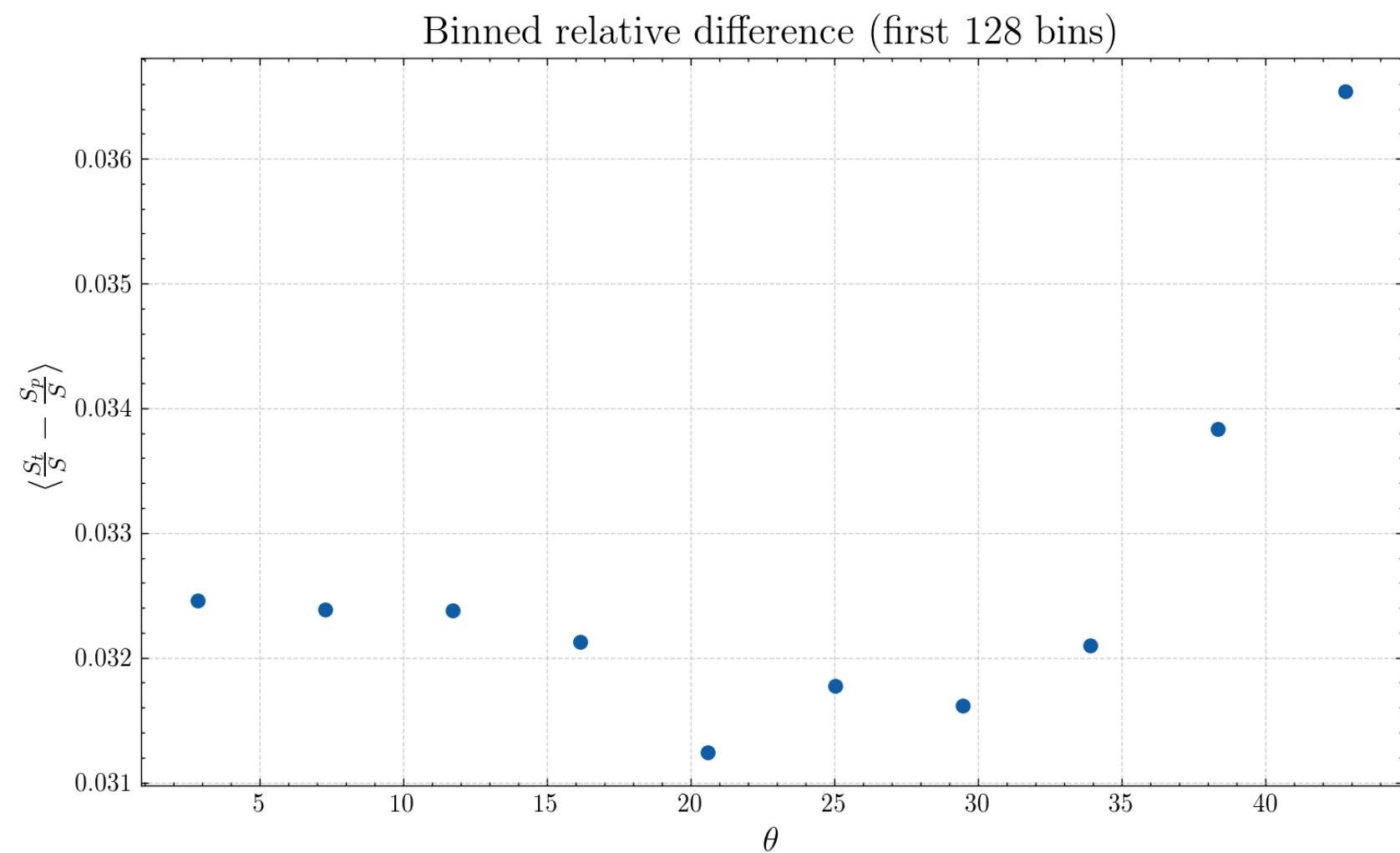
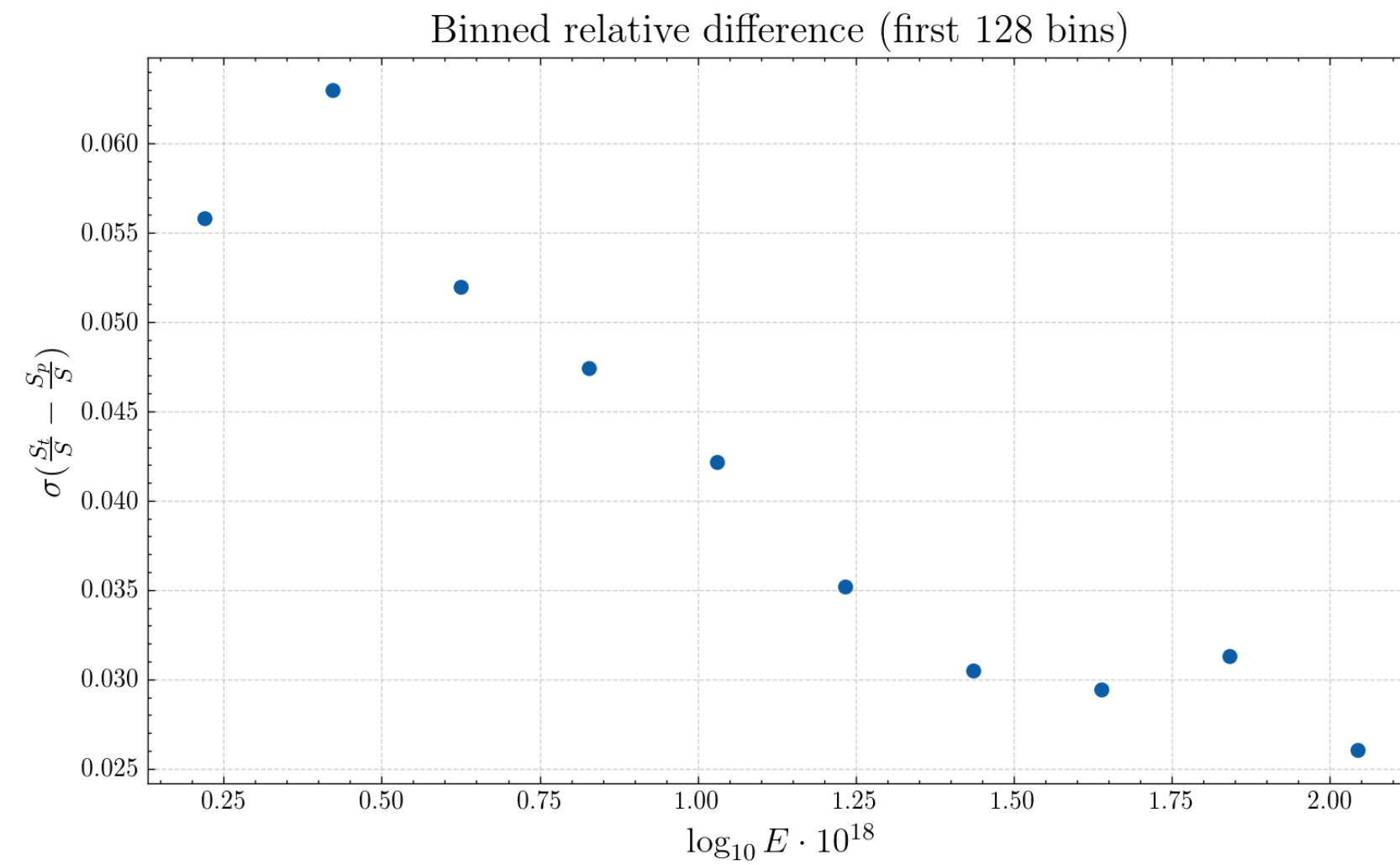
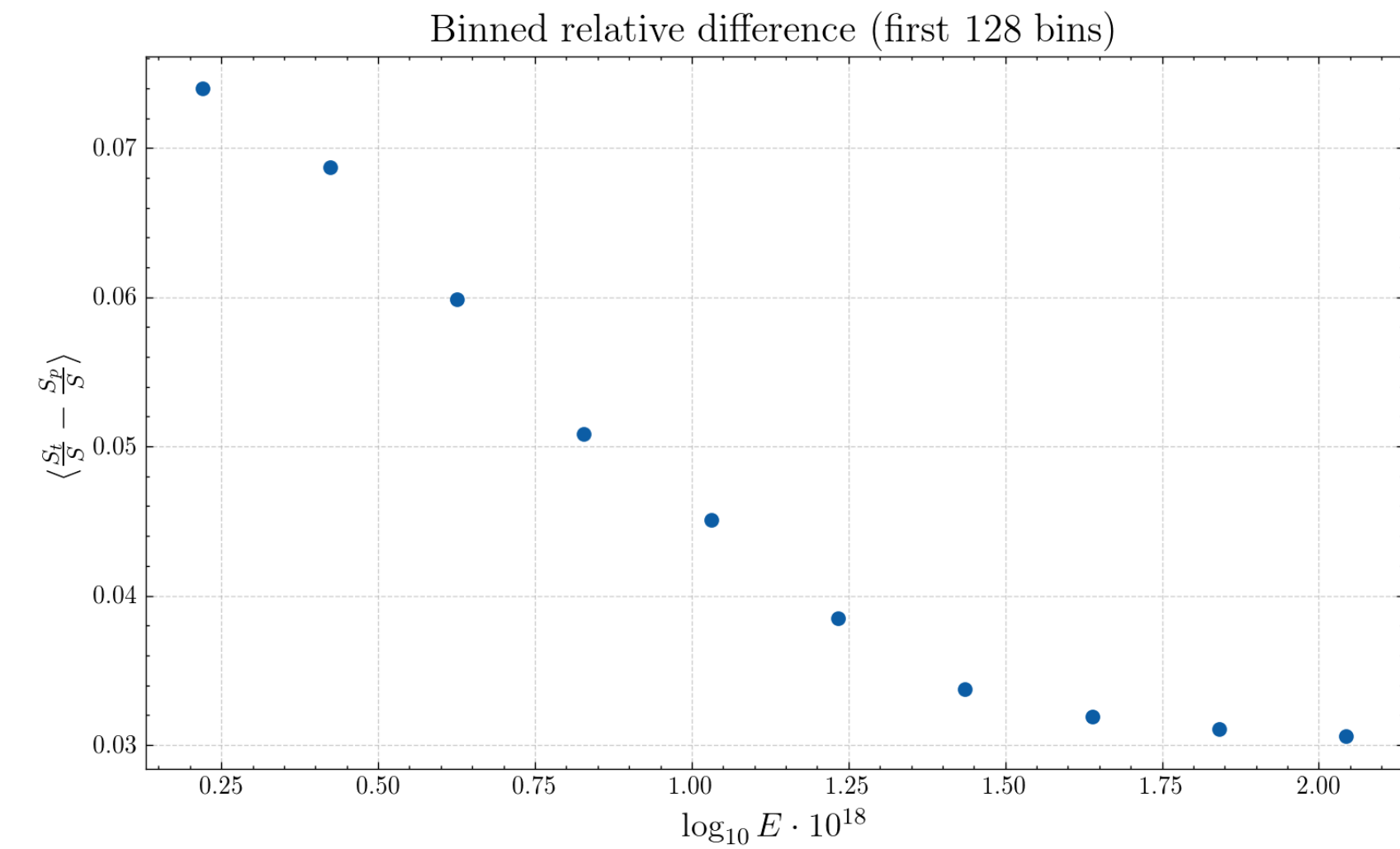
# Results: integrals of muon trace



- When calculating all subsequent metrics, we take only the first frame (128 bins) of the signal

Fig.7: Distribution  $\frac{S_{pred} - S_{true}}{S_{full}}$  at different energies and zenith angles

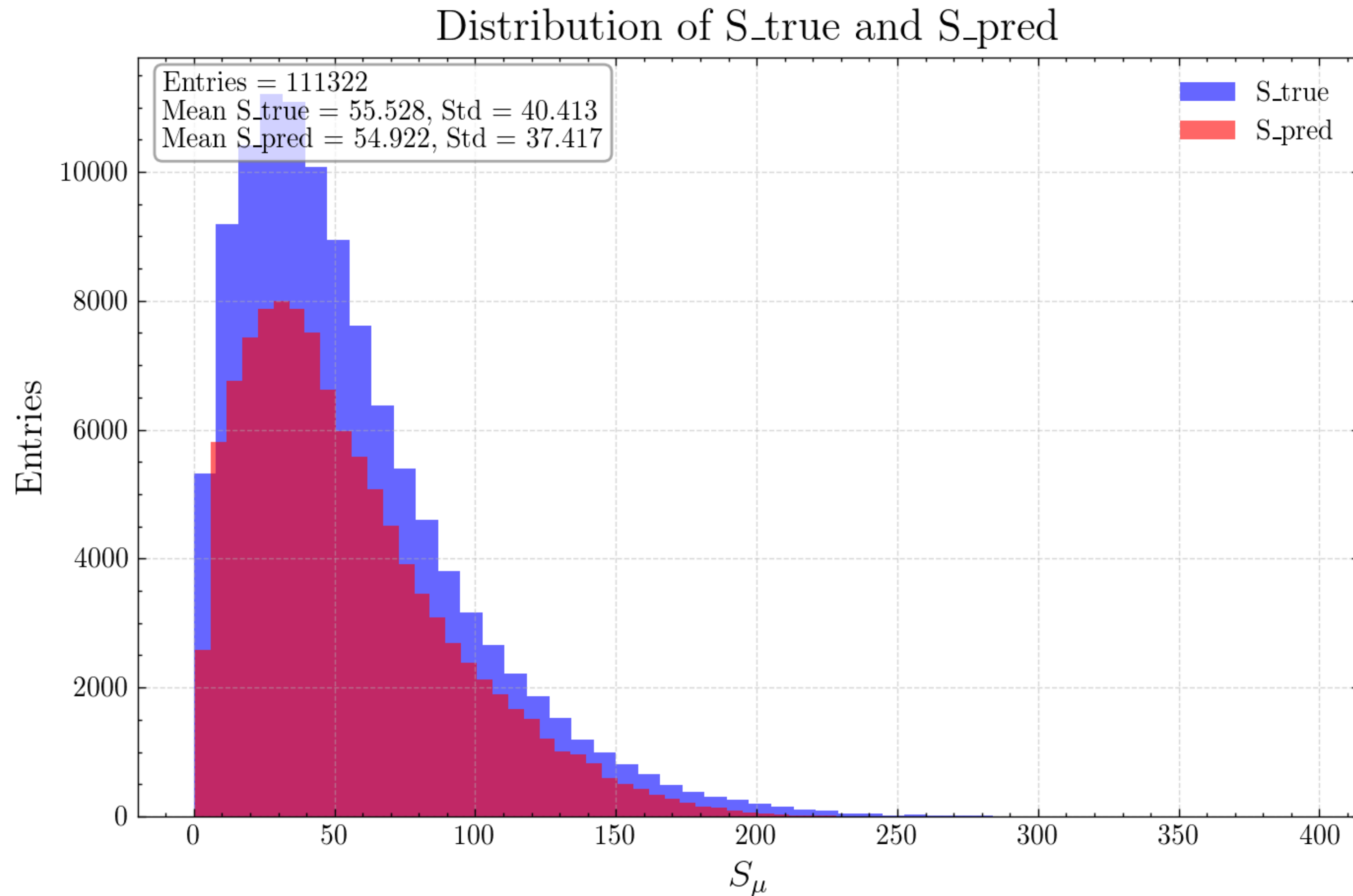
# Dependence of the relative error on angles and energy



- The error decreases with increasing energy
- At large angles, the error increases slightly

Fig.8: Dependence of the relative error on angles and energy

# Integrals of the trace distribution



- You can see that the model underestimates the predictions
- Possible ways to avoid this problem: modifying the loss function with penalties for underestimating peaks

Fig.9: Distribution of predicted and true integrals of the trace

# Evaluation of peak prediction quality

- To identify a peak, we use the `scipy find peaks` function with default parameters
- The maximum allowed peak offset value is 3 bins
- To evaluate quality, we use the analog of precision/recall, defined as follows:

TP — the peak is present in both true and pred, value:  $\min\left(\frac{f_p}{f_t}, 1\right)$

FP — the peak is present only in pred, value:  $\frac{f_p}{\max(f_t)}$

FN — the peak is present only in true, value:  $\frac{f_t}{\max(f_t)}$

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \quad \text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

- Results:  
Layer 0: Precision=0.810, Recall=0.842  
Layer 1: Precision=0.795, Recall=0.843
- Problems: the metric value strongly depends on the peak search parameters and the allowed shifts

# Conclusions

- We have a neural network that can extract the muon signal in TA experiment
- The average relative error in predicting the muon trace is about 0.05%
- We proposed a metric for checking the quality of peak prediction

# Further work

- Verify that the neural network's predictions are model independent
- Test the transformer architecture to solve such problems

**Thank you for your attention**