

Updates on the SPL-Fréjus Super Beam simulation



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***EUROnu WP2
meeting at RAL***

- **short reminder of simulation status and previous studies**
- **new studies (not shown in previous WP2 meetings)**
 - ✓ **performance of a new horn design**
 - ✓ **4 parallel horns**
 - ✓ **π^0 background**
 - ✓ **Target z optimization**
 - ✓ **systematics on primary pion production**

Short summary of previous results

GRAPHITE target studies (w.r.t. Mercury)

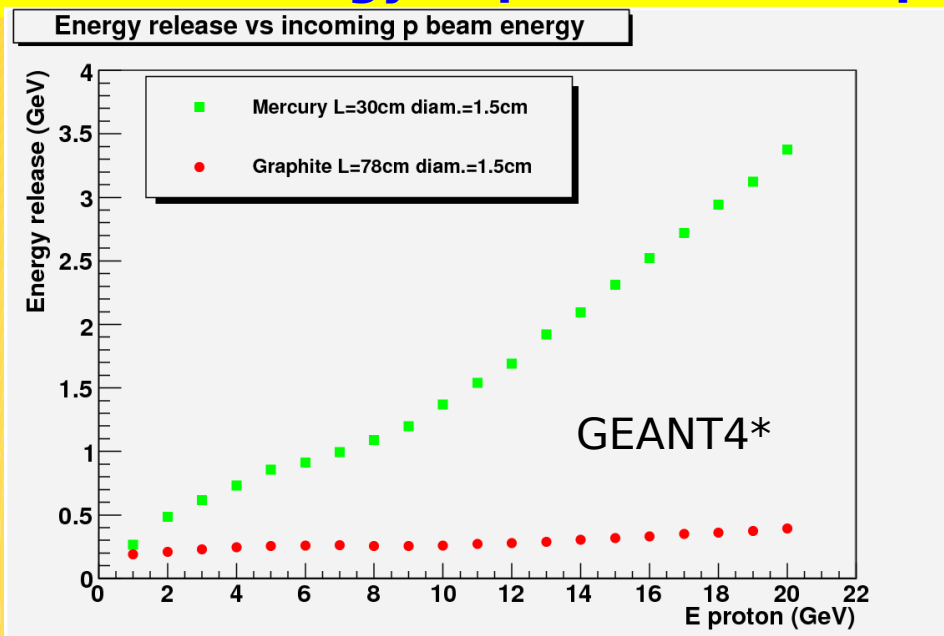
- reduced energy deposition in the target (FLUKA08+GEANT4)
- reduced neutron flux ($\sim x15$ FLUKA08)
- pion yields more asymmetric in charge but comparable
- Using standard horn but new target (original Geant3 sim)
 - neutrino fluxes similar, less E dependent (larger high-E tail)
 - higher anti-nu contamination
 - Limits on $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ are competitive but more δ -dependent (worse in the anti-neutrino running region)
 - due to higher wrong charge contamination

Documentation:

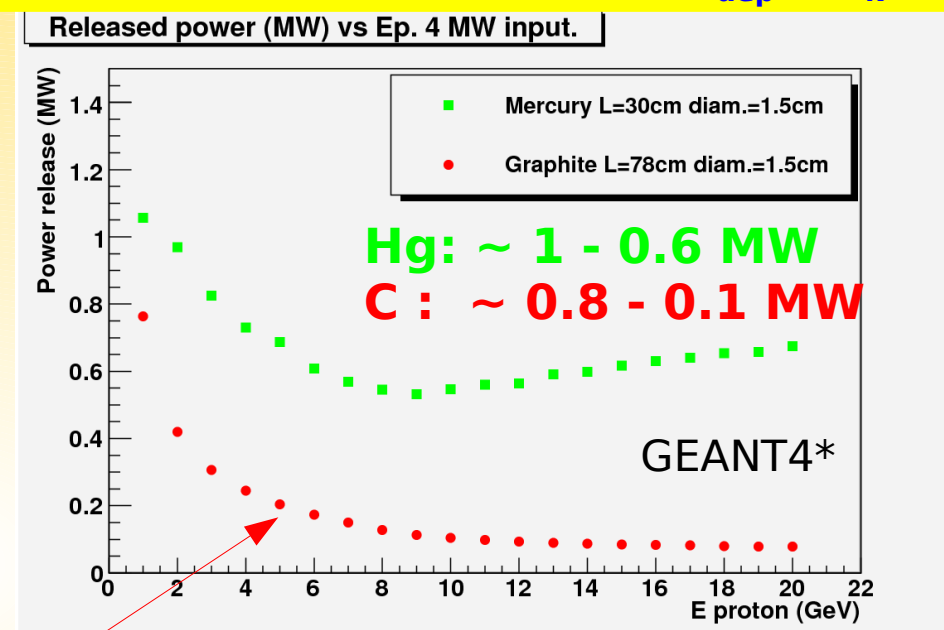
- www.euronu.org: Documents -> WP2-> *Study of the performance of the SPL-Frèjus Super Beam using a graphite target (EUROnu note)*
- proceedings for NUFACT09 (5pp)
- proceedings for the CERN workshop. Oct. 2009 (3pp).

C vs Hg: energy deposition in the target ³

Mean energy deposition vs $E_k(p)$



Power release: $4 \text{ MW} * \langle E_{\text{dep}} \rangle / E_k(p)$

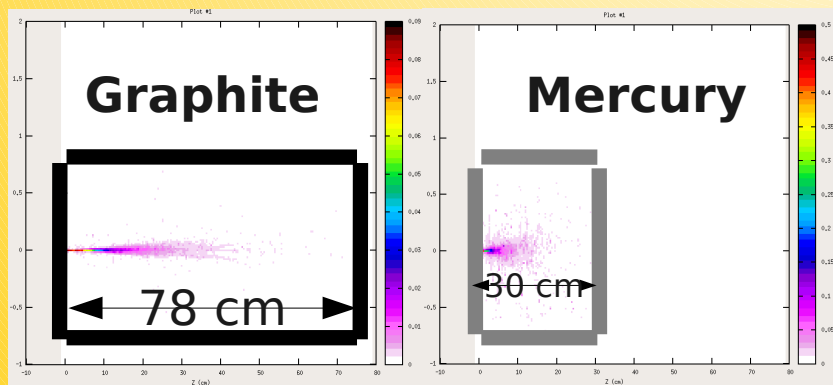
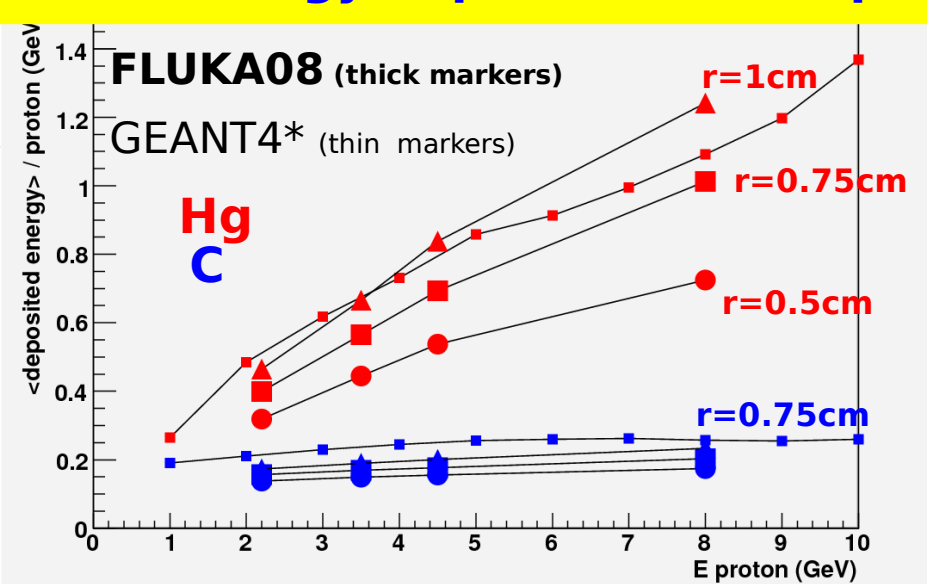


*with (hadronic "QGSP physics list")

- G4 larger than FLUKA. ~ +10% for Hg
- General trend is confirmed

considerably lower for C! ~ 200 kW @ 5GeV

Mean energy deposition vs $E_k(p)$

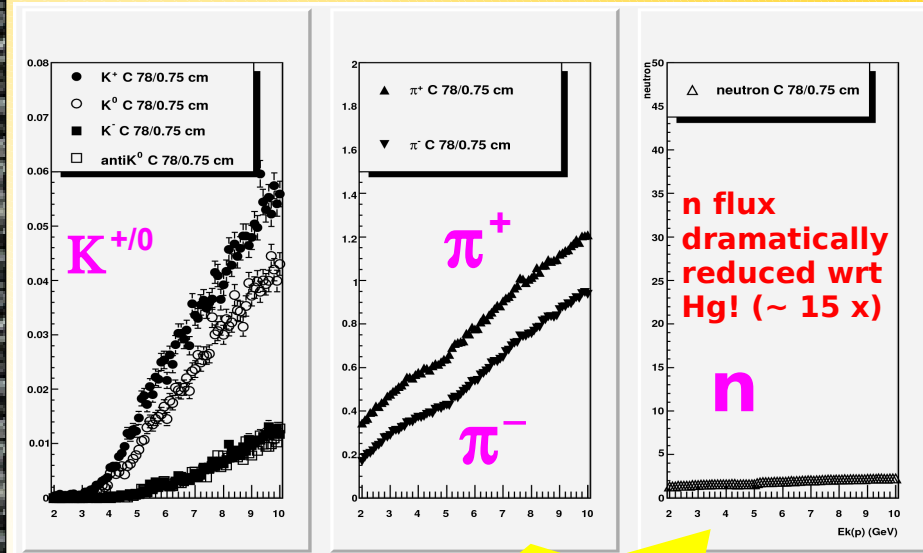
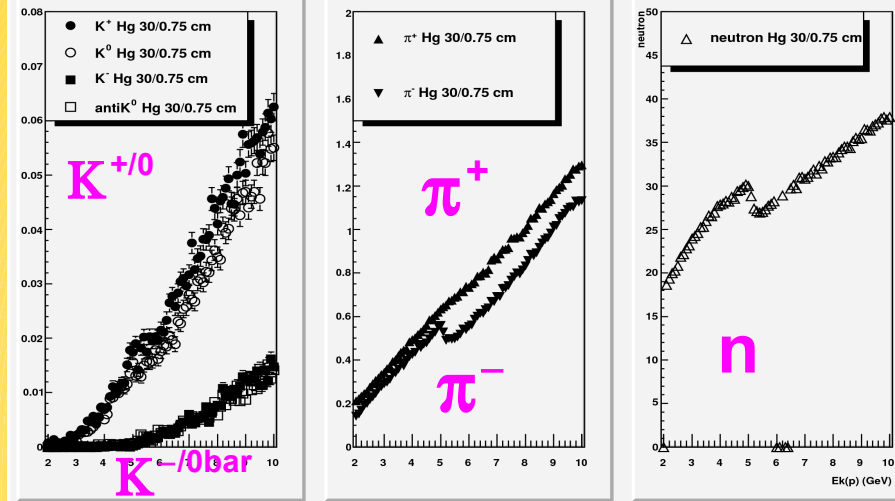


C vs Hg: meson production (FLUKA2008)

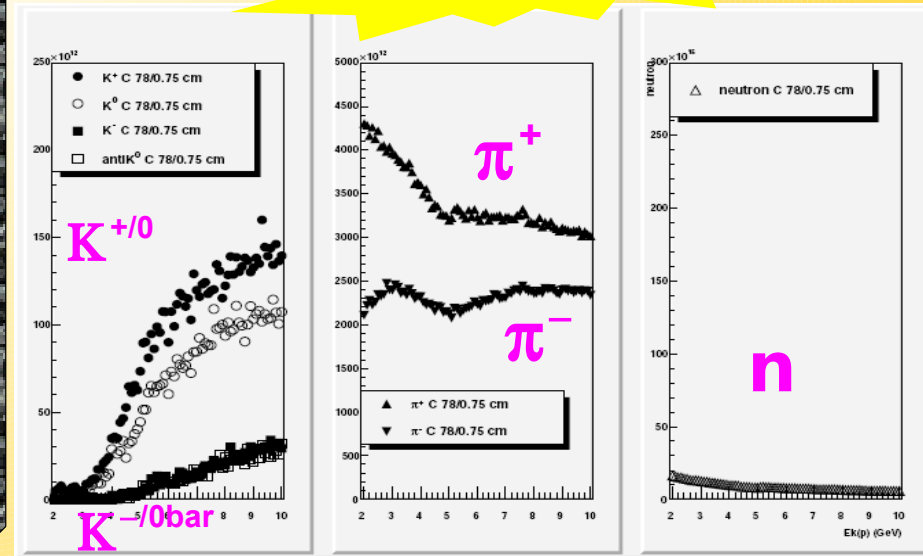
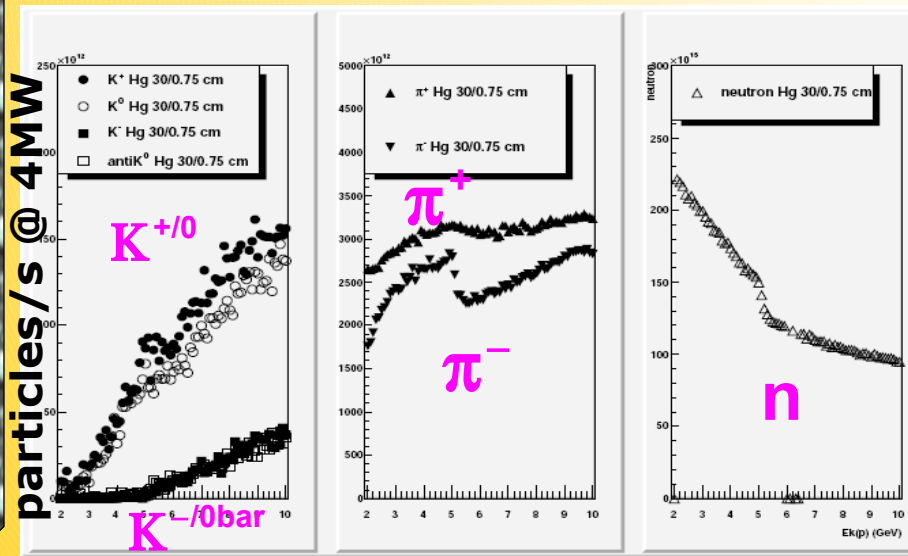
vs proton kinetic energy [2-10] GeV

- 4MW**
- 1.13×10^{16} pot/s at 2.2 GeV
 - 0.71×10^{16} pot/s at 3.5 GeV
 - 0.55×10^{16} pot/s at 4.5 GeV
 - 0.31×10^{16} pot/s at 8.0 GeV

Particle multiplicities



Particle yields

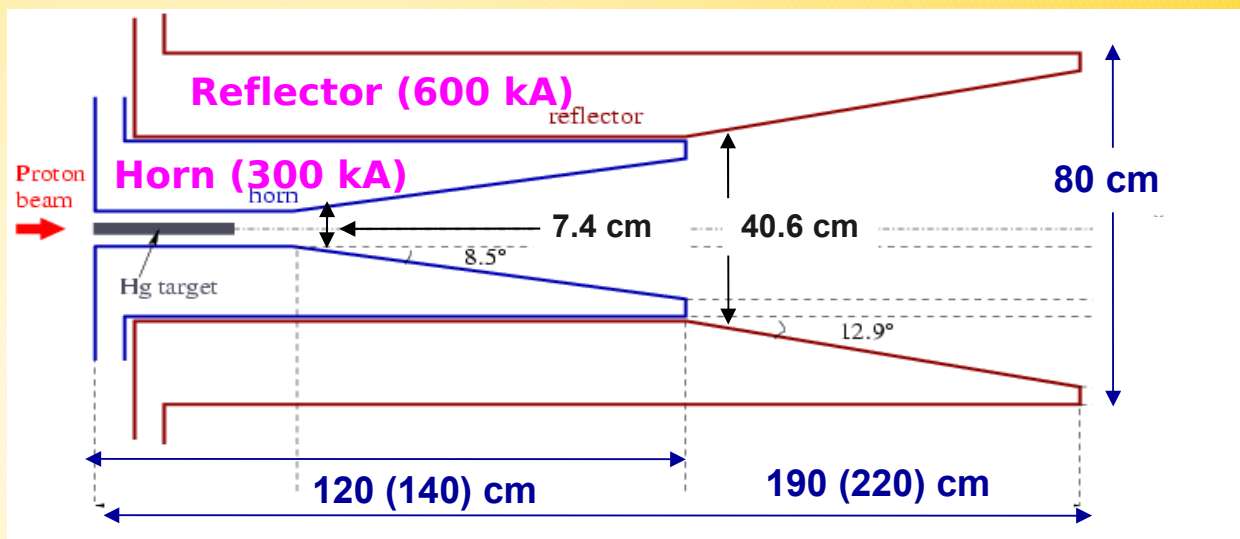
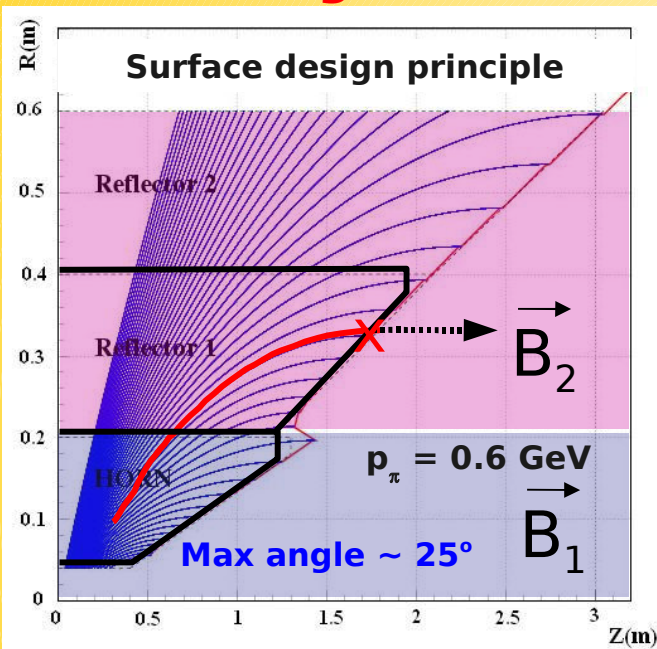


Pion yields comparable, neutron flux reduced by ~ x15 with C !!



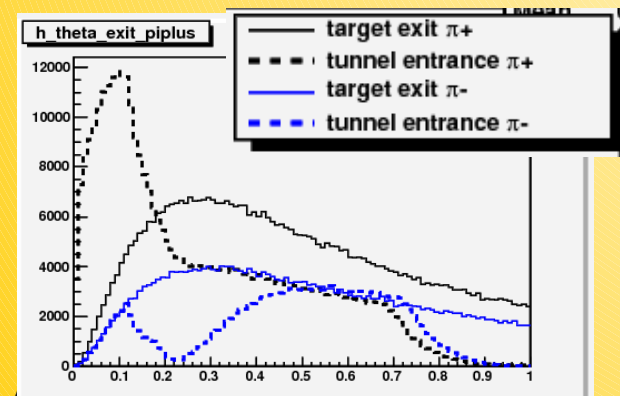
The standard focusing system

- Due to the low energy proton beam pions are mildly forward boosted ($\langle \theta_{\pi} \rangle \sim 55^\circ$)
 - -> **Target inside the horn** to recover collection efficiency



The outer conductor is placed where the slope becomes // to the beam ($dr/dz = 0$)

all π of a certain p from a point-like source focused

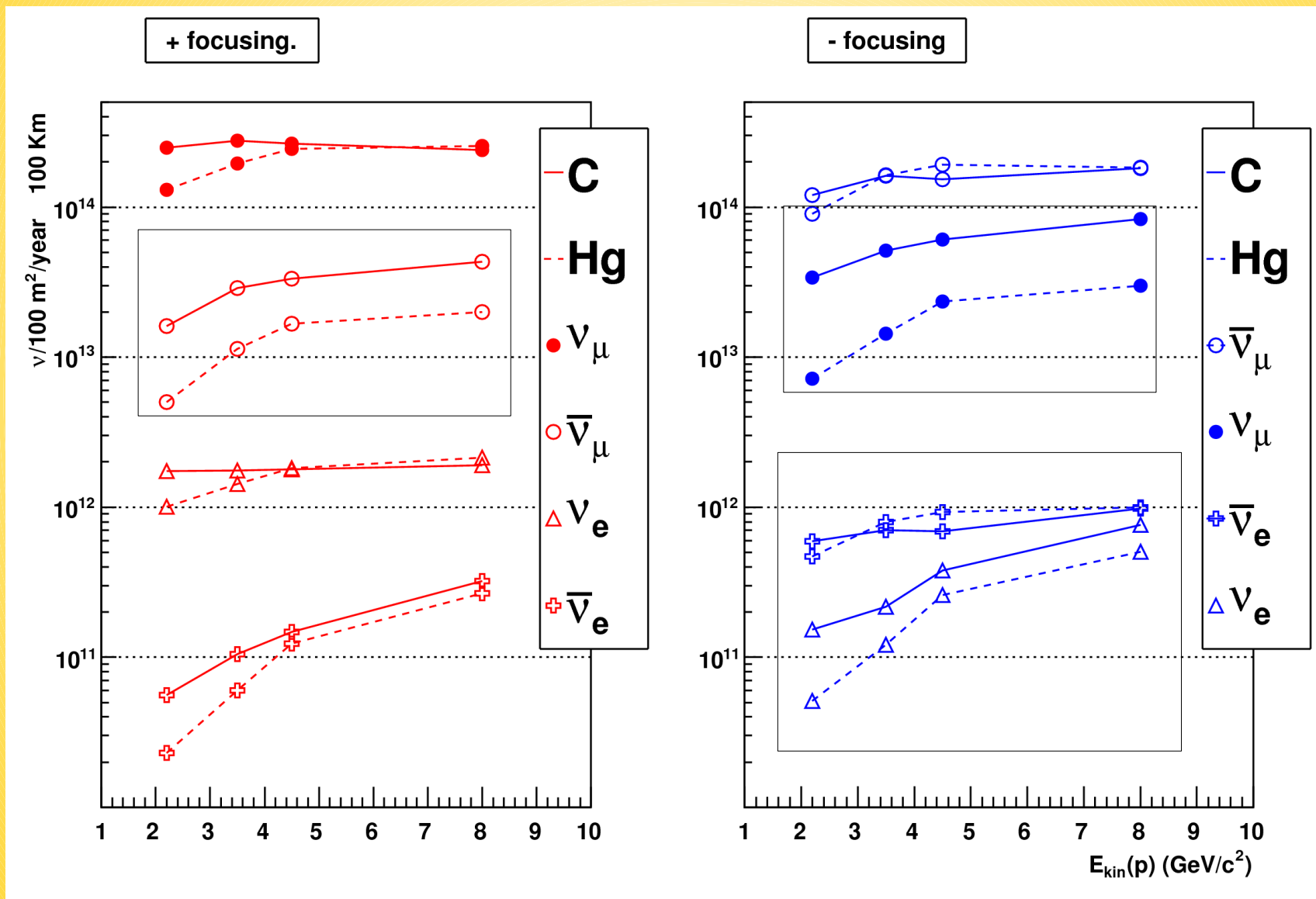


- $i(h/r) = 300/600 \text{ kA}$
- pulsed @ 50 Hz
- Toroidal $|B| \sim i / r$
- $B_1^{\text{MAX}} = 1.5 \text{ T}, B_2^{\text{MAX}} = 0.6 \text{ T}$
- 3 mm thick Al

Horn prototype at CERN
(detailed geometry implemented in the Geant simulation)



Fluxes trends with standard focusing+ 78cm graphite target



C vs Hg: 3σ sensitivity on θ_{13} vs δ

Carbon (- - - - -) Mercury (———)

Color codes: proton energies

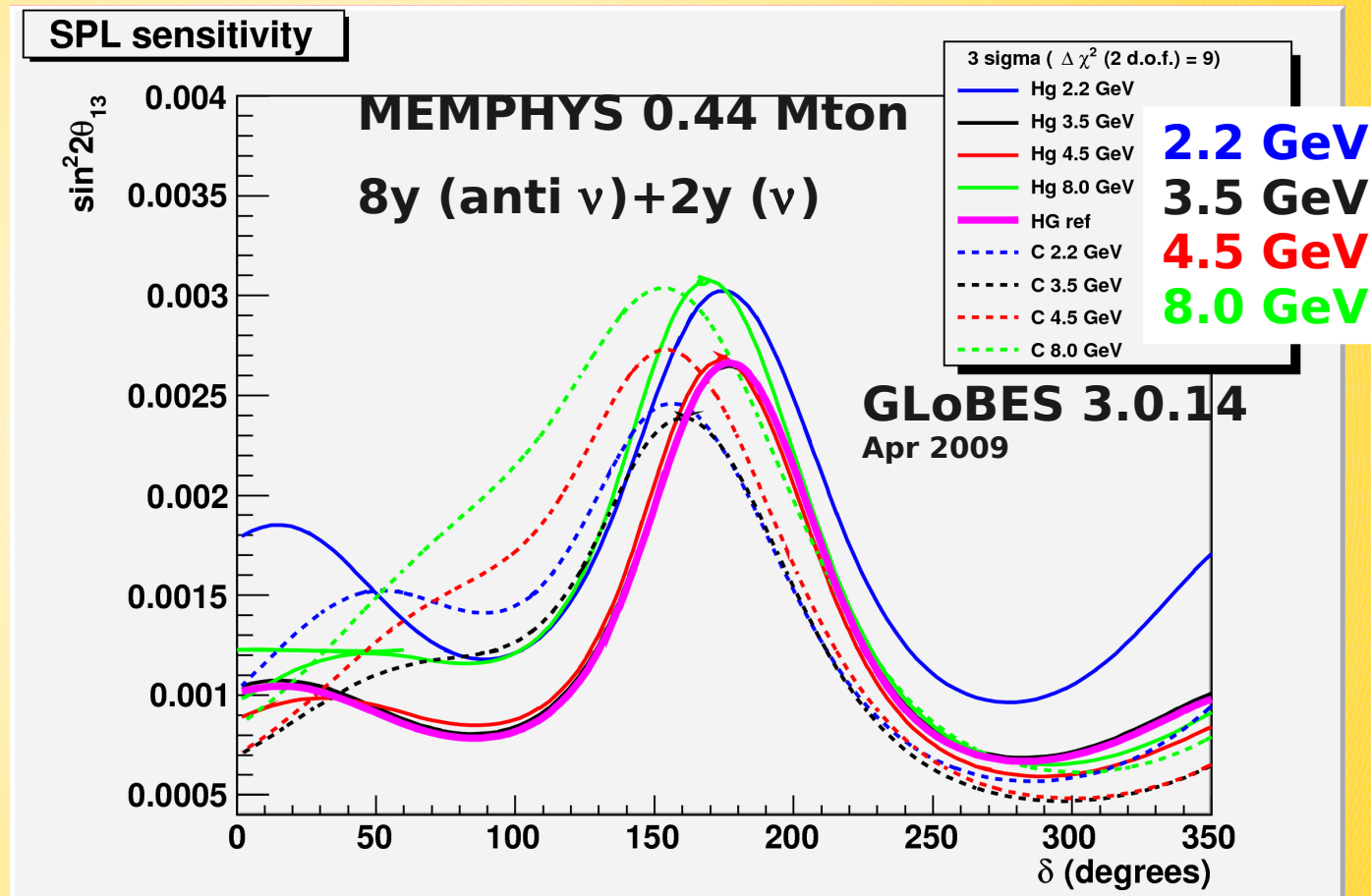
- graphite limit worse in the **low δ region** (driven by anti- ν running)
- related to rising ν_e **contamination in the anti- ν beam** from not defocused $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+$. Effect important in anti- ν running due to $\pi^+ > \pi^-$ & $\sigma(\nu) > \sigma(\text{anti-}\nu)$
- **let's minimize wrong charge pions !**

$$\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

$$\searrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$$

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$$

$$\searrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$$



AEDL file SPL.glb in GloBES (with M=0.44Mton)

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Horn optimization for a long target

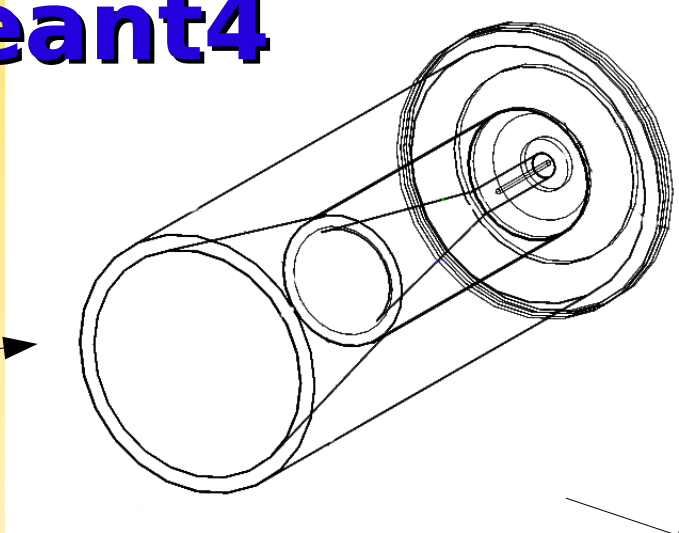
- ✓ **Horn optimization with GEANT4**

New simulation with Geant4

The full simulation has been recently migrated **from Geant3 to Geant4**

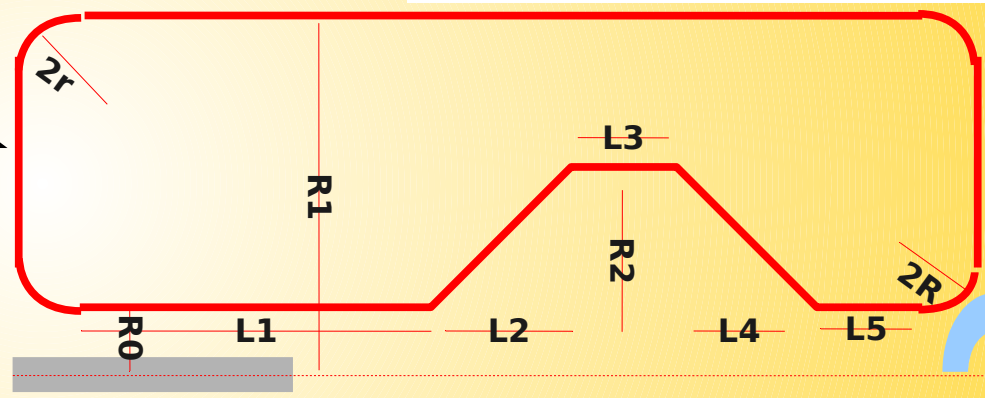
2 geometry implementations:

- 1) the **standard horn** reproducing the existing CERN prototype
- 2) a new **parametric model** implemented (MINIBOONE inspired)



Better wrong charge pion rejection (more "forward closed") and **higher mean neutrino energy**

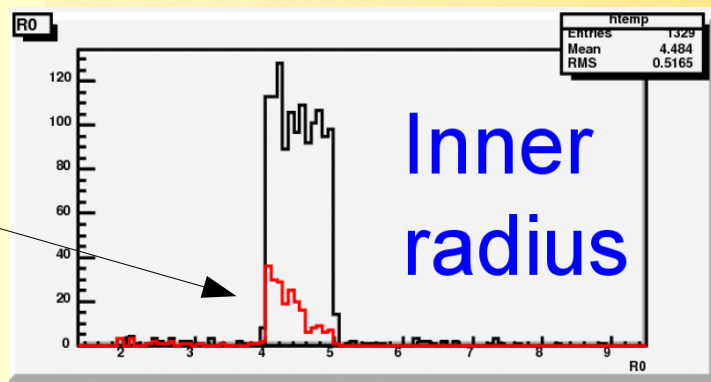
Flexible enough to reproduce also standard conical geometry



"Heuristic" approach to find favorable geometries based on the generation of **random configurations** using the horn parametric model

The resulting fluxes are **selected** according to quality parameters (ν_μ normalization, $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ contamination, mean energy, energy spread)

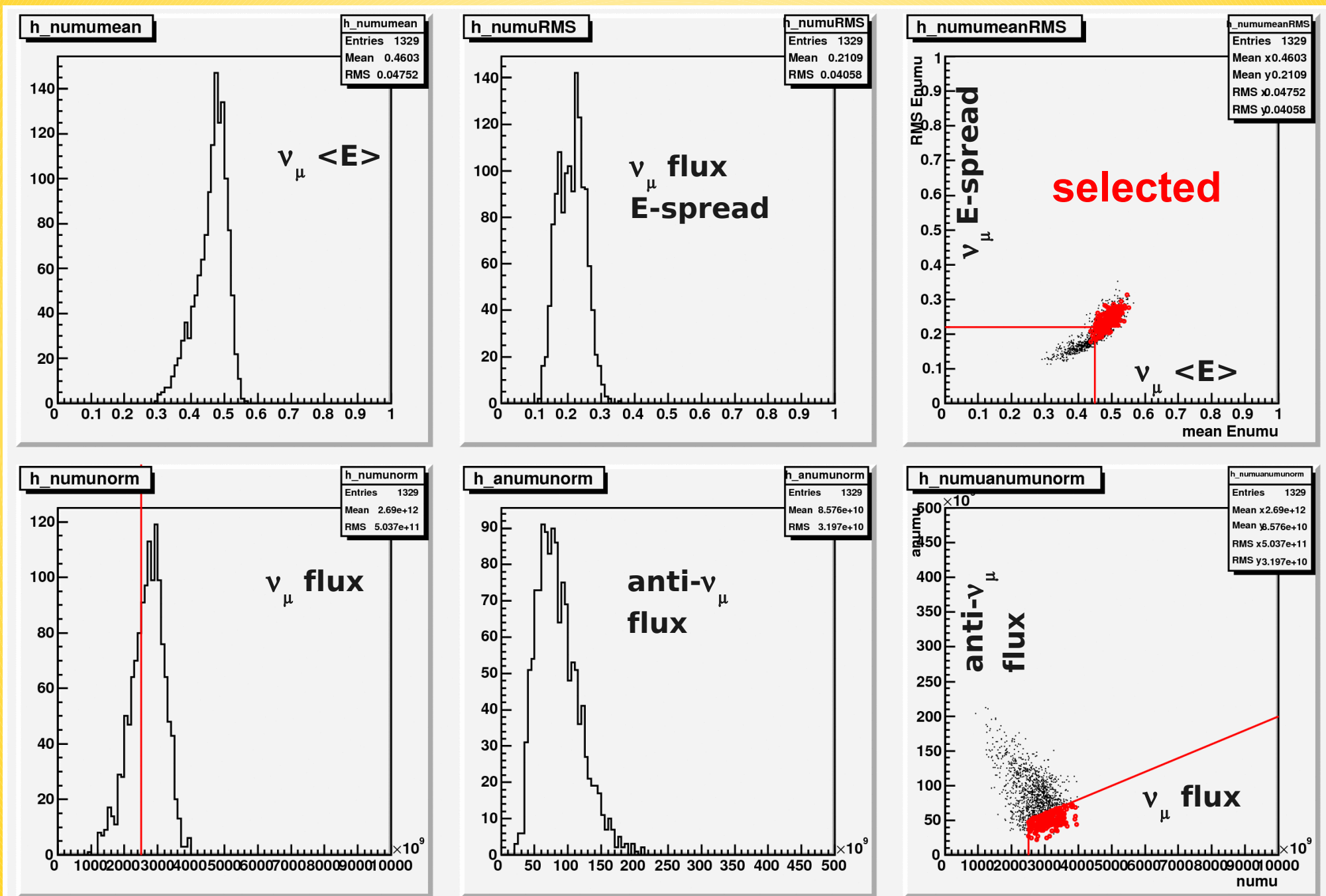
Randomly generated
Accepted after cuts on spectra



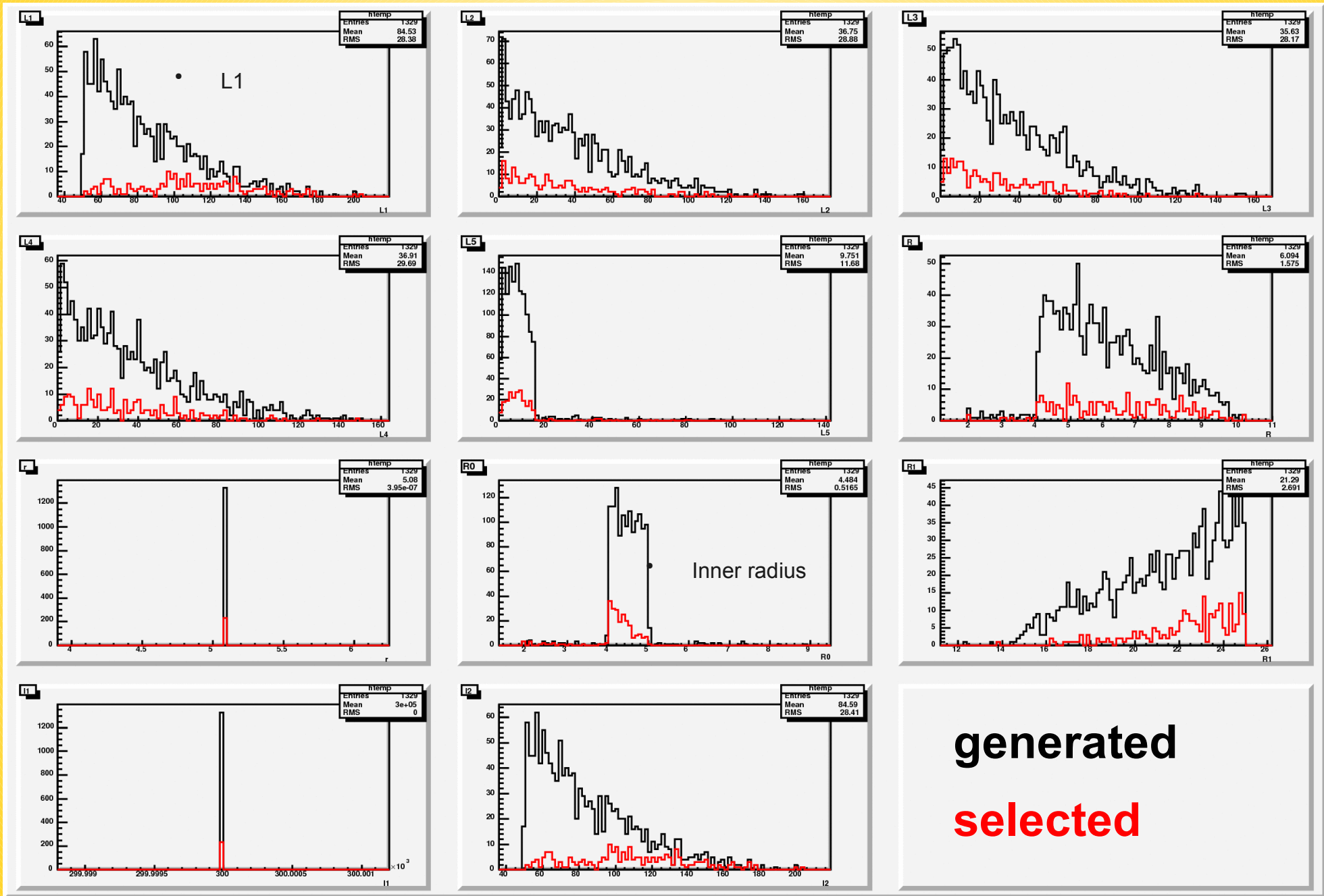
9 parameters fully accessible from external macro file

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/SB/det/Horn_L5 8 cm
/SB/det/Horn_R 7.16565 cm
/SB/det/Horn_r 5.08 cm
/SB/det/Horn_R0 4. cm
/SB/det/Horn_R1 20. cm
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Horn configurations ranking (example)



Distributions of the horn geometrical parameters



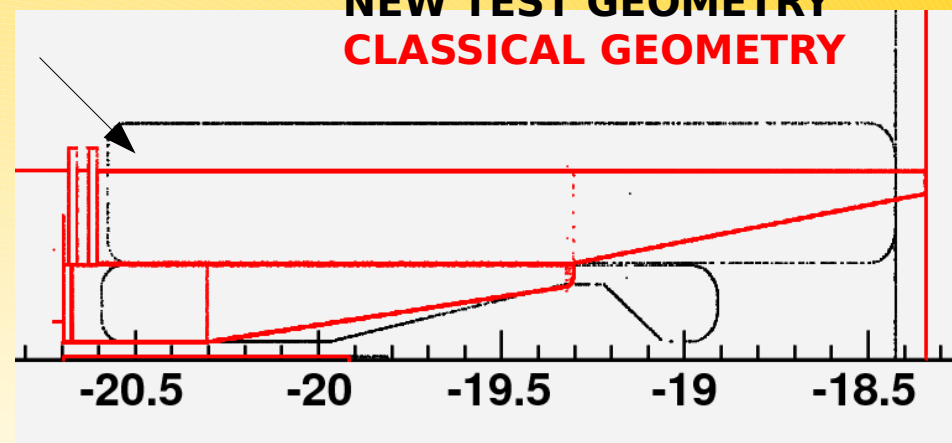
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A new test horn

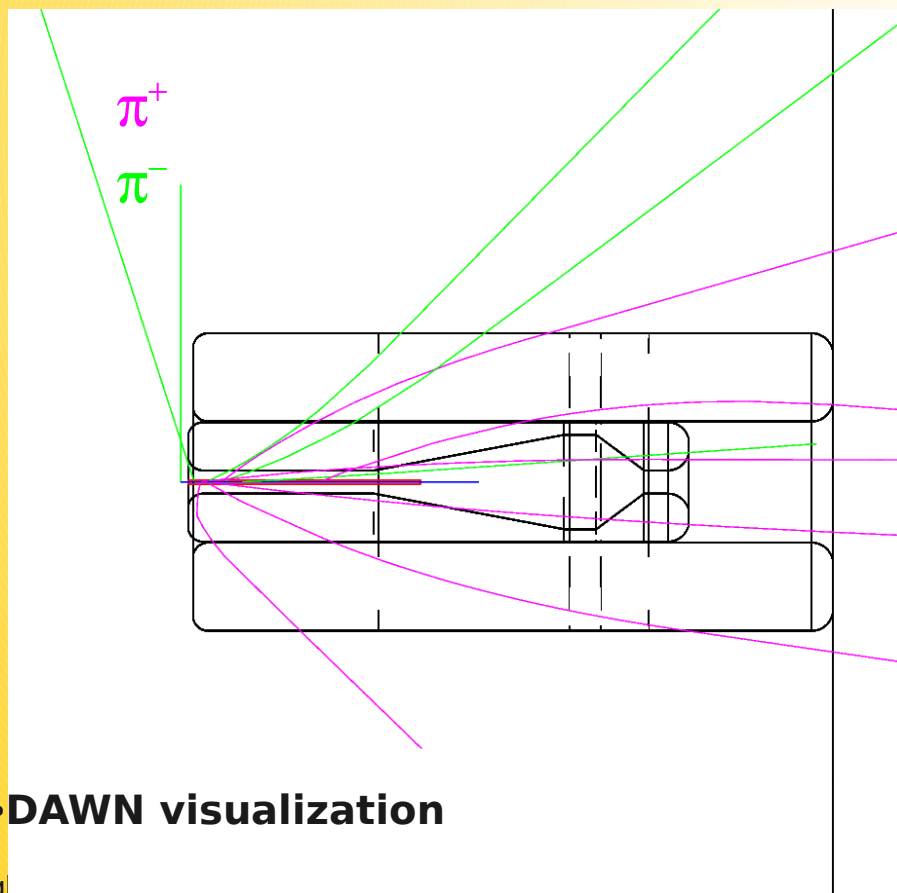
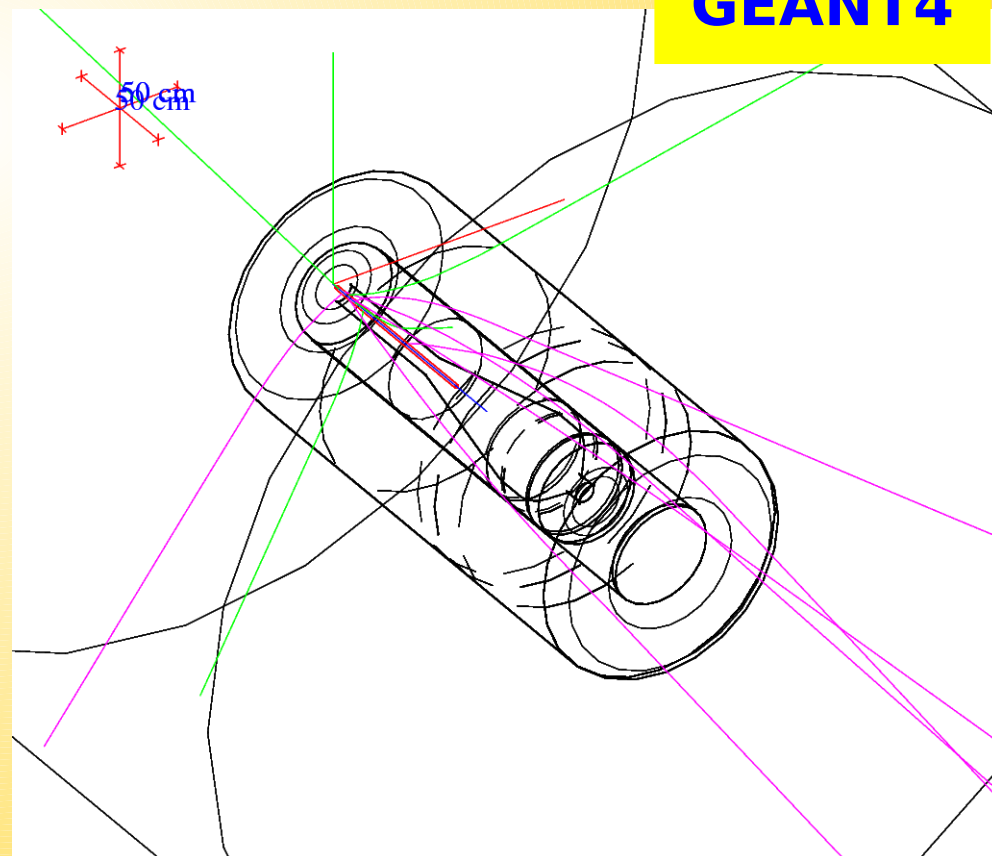
- Only **mildly “tuned”**.
 - “found” by “random search” with limited samplings and preliminary selection criteria on ν -fluxes.
- **Thicker reflector (+10cm)**
- **Forward “end-cap”** to “sweep away” wrong charged forward going pions
- Usual currents (300+600 kA)

Hit maps (r,z) plane

NEW TEST GEOMETRY
CLASSICAL GEOMETRY



GEANT4



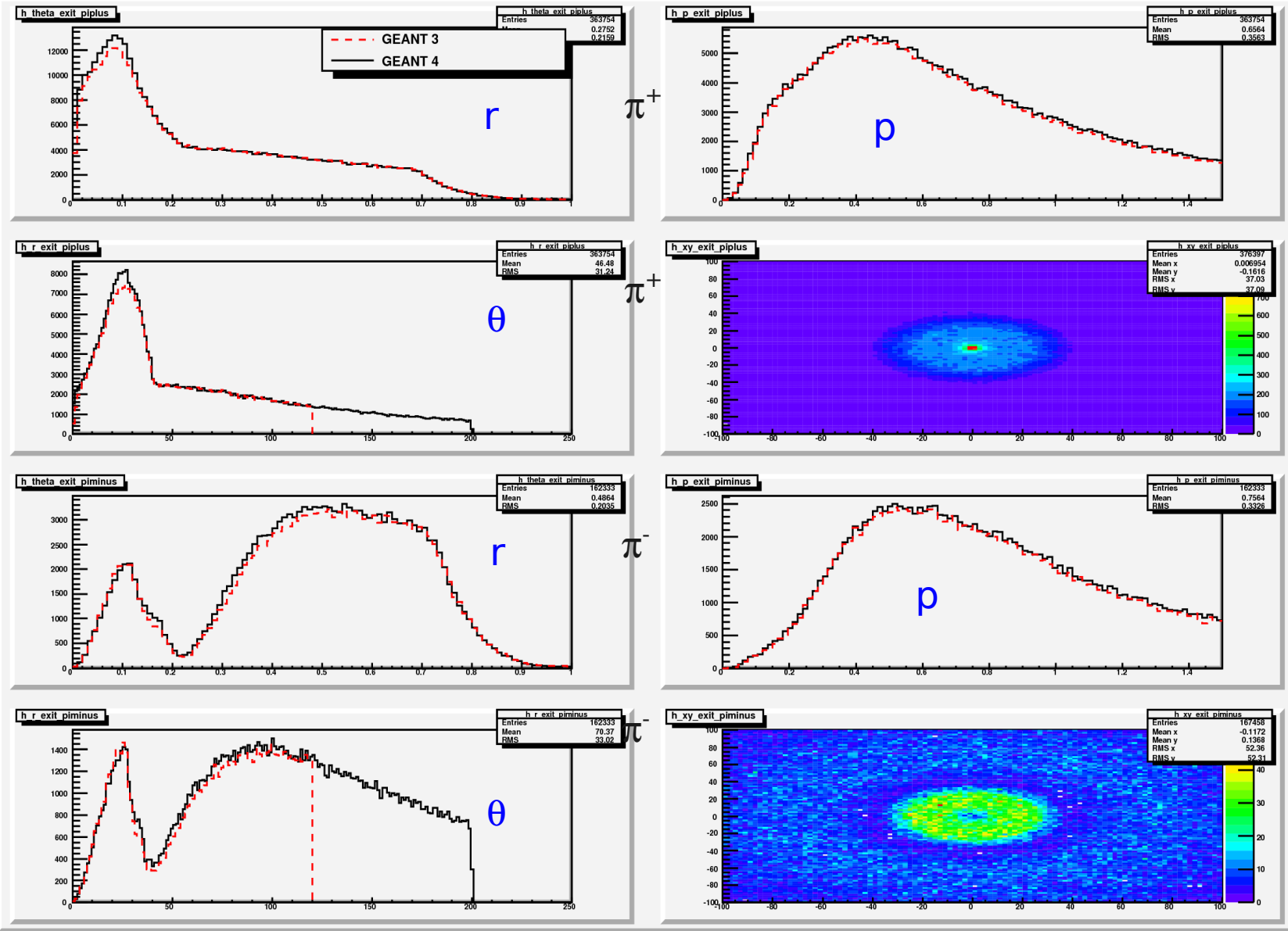
•DAWN visualization

- ✓ Horn optimization with GEANT4
- ✓ **GEANT4 validation**

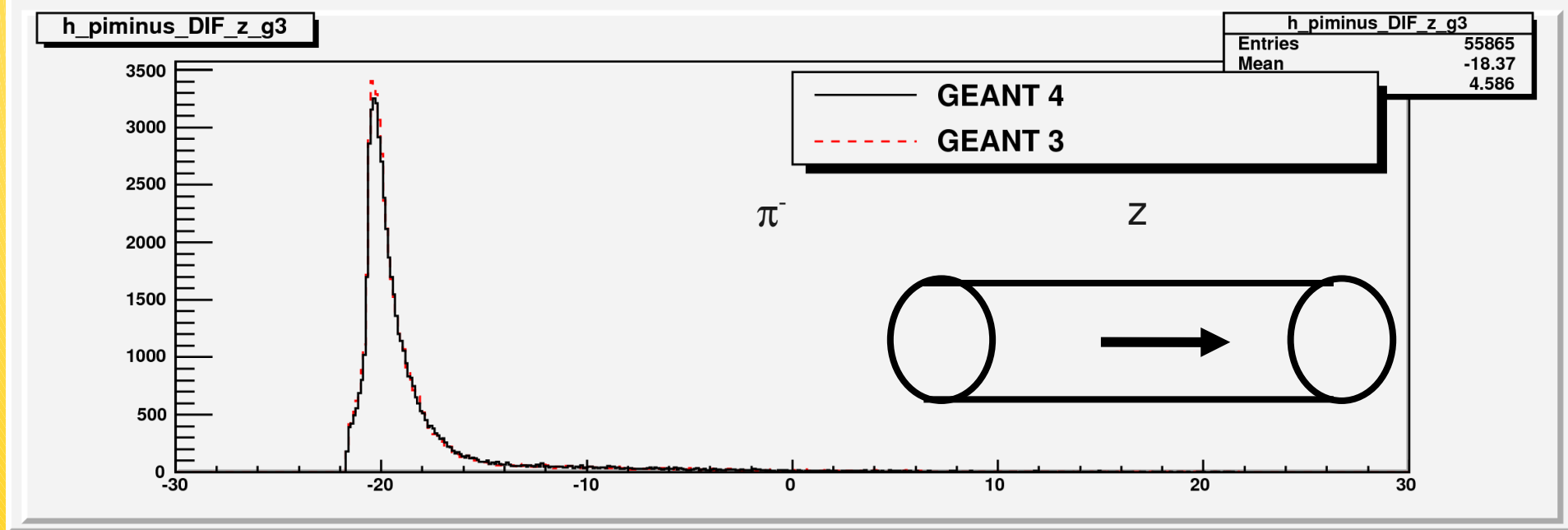
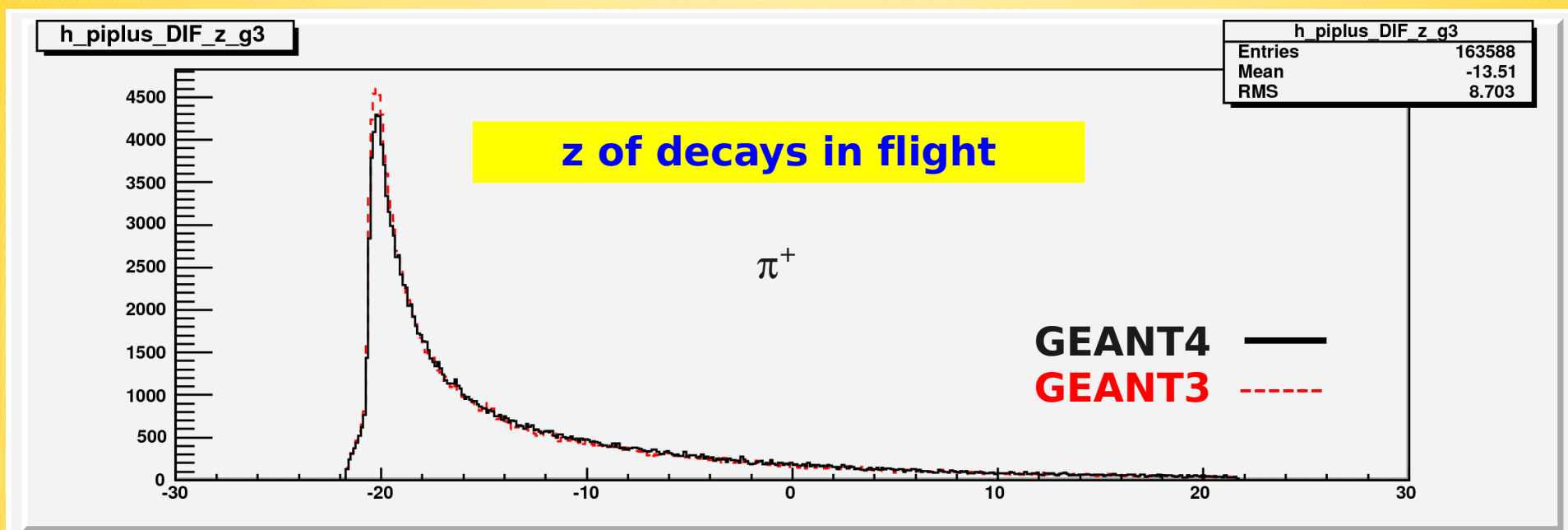
GEANT3-4 comparison with standard horn (I)

GEANT4 —
GEANT3 - - -

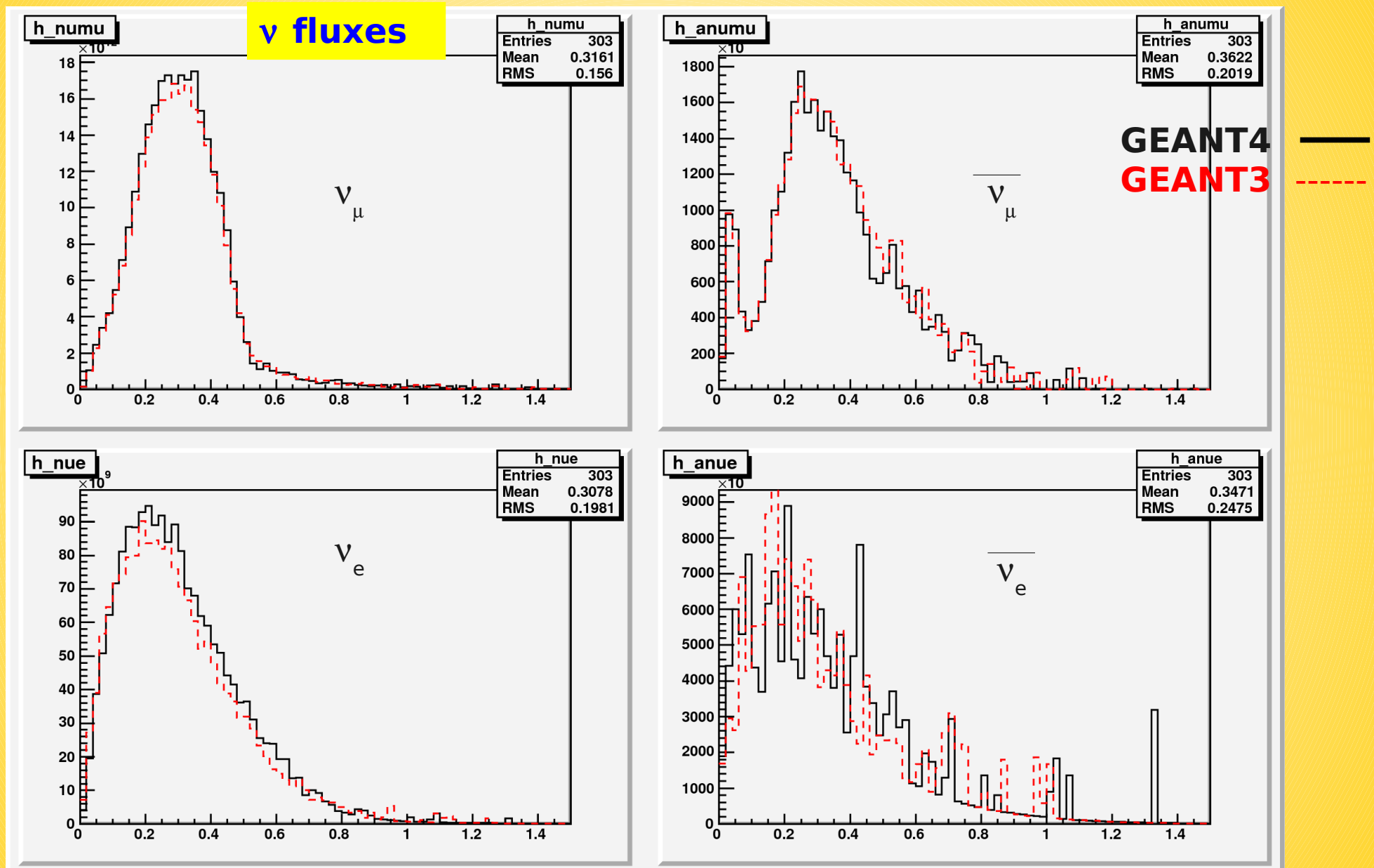
Parameters of pions at tunnel entrance



GEANT3-4 comparison with standard horn (II)



GEANT3-4 comparison with standard horn (III)



Good agreement between the two simulation programs

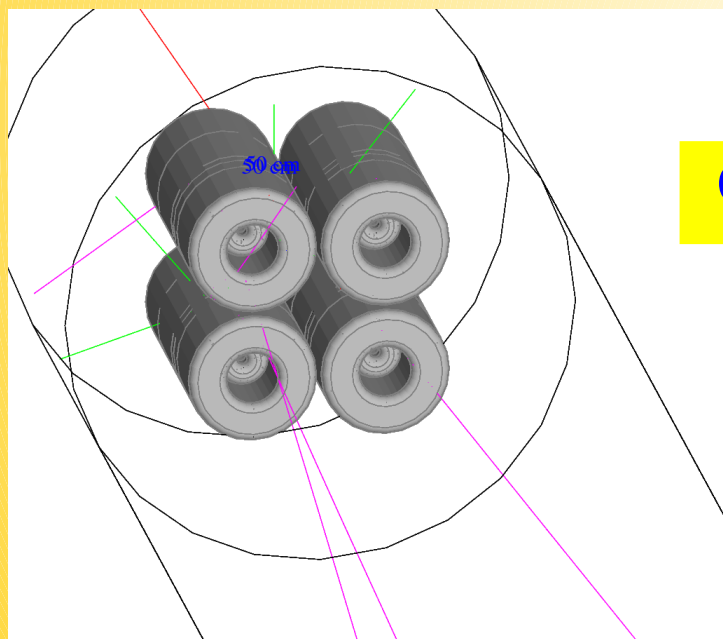
- ✓ Horn optimization with GEANT4
- ✓ GEANT4 validation
- ✓ **4 horns in parallel**

The 4-horns scenario

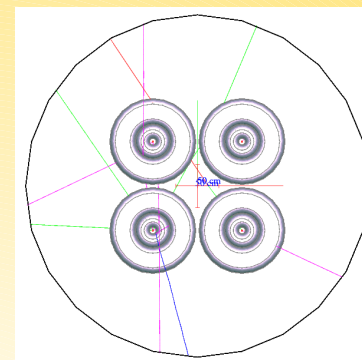
Reduced **stress** on target via

- **lower frequency** (12.5 Hz) **or**
 - **lower p-flux** (1 MW)
- depending on injection strategy

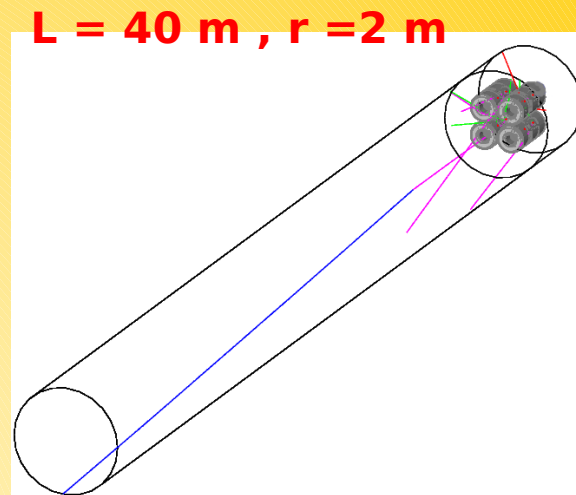
Profits of **horn compactness**
($r \sim 0.5\text{m}$)



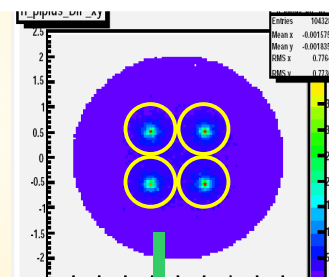
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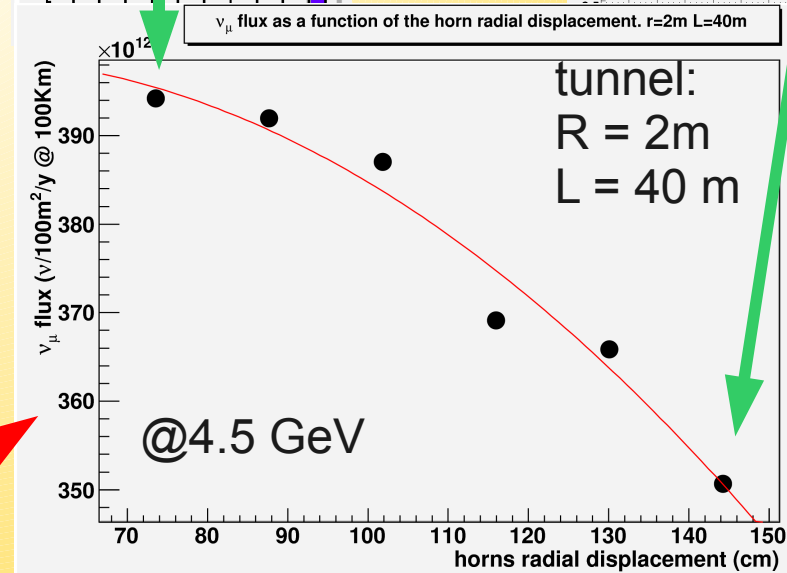
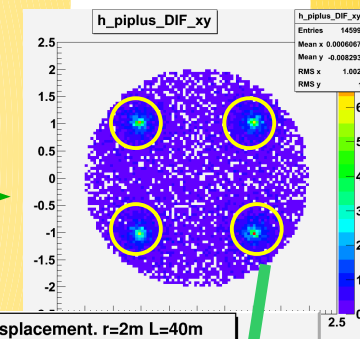
Baseline configuration with horns as "central" as possible



Worst case



v_{μ}
-13%



Small flux loss even up to big lateral displacements.

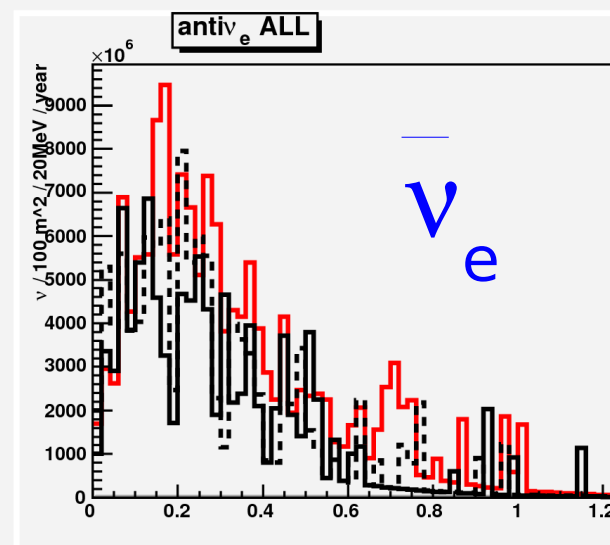
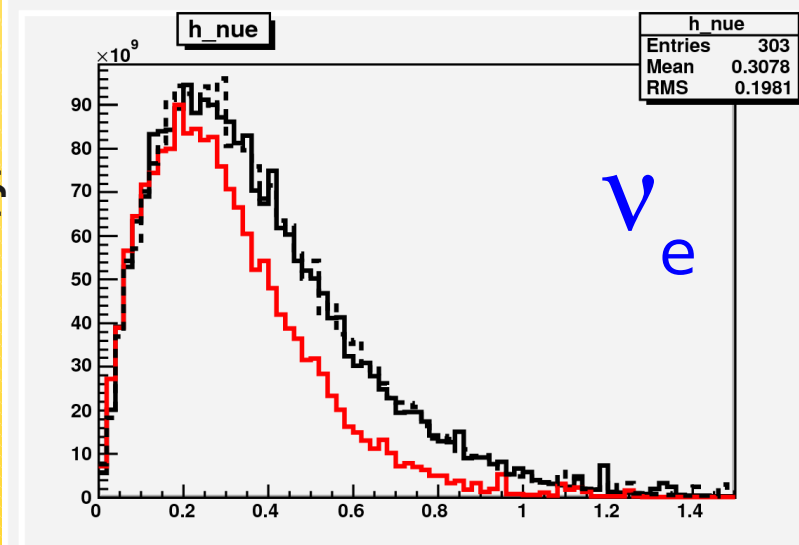
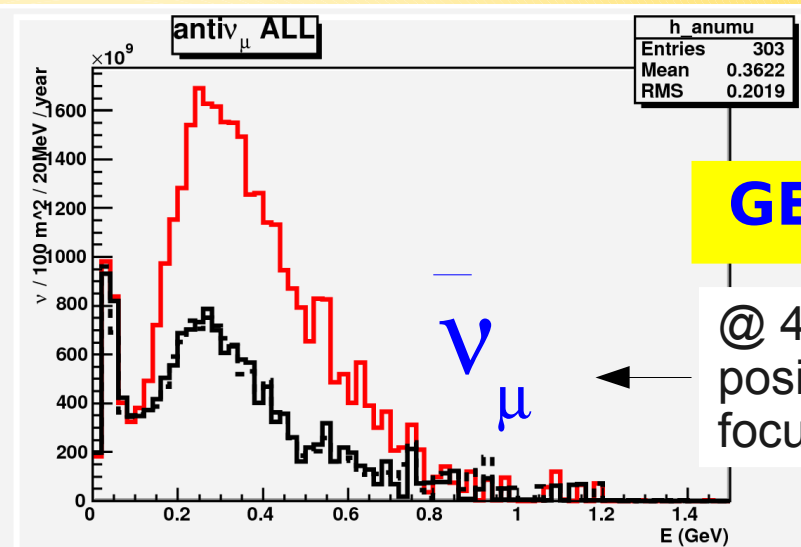
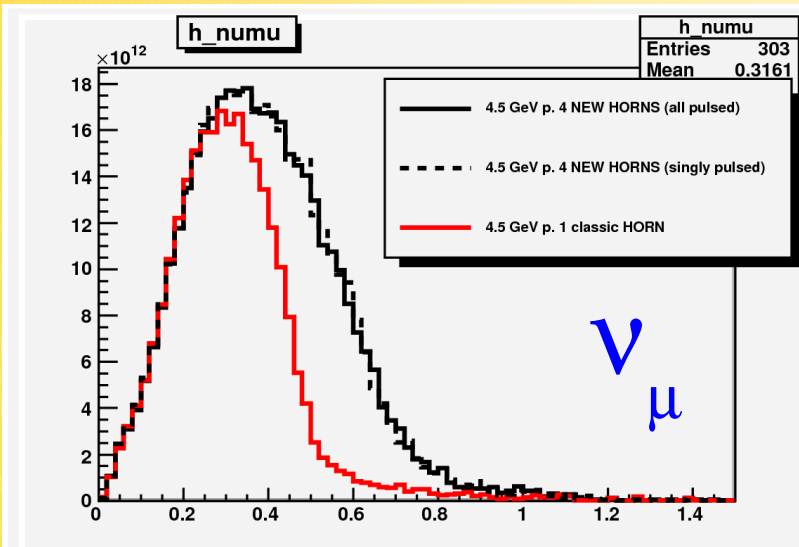
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- ✓ GEANT4 validation
- ✓ 4 horn in parallel
- ✓ **performance of the new horn design**

Fluxes: new VS old horn

Carbon target
new horns / old horn

- gain ν_{μ} at higher energies
- **Effectively suppressed contributions from wrong charge pions** (more than a factor 2 less anti- ν_{μ} , lower anti- ν_e + c.c.)

•neutrinos/y/100m² at 100 km distance



	OLD (%)	NEW (%)
+ FOCUSING		
ν_{μ}	88.9	-> 95.55
$\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$	10.5	-> 3.9
ν_e	0.6	-> 0.56
$\bar{\nu}_e$	0.052	-> 0.025
- FOCUSING		
ν_{μ}	26.1	-> 11.2
$\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$	73.4	-> 88.4
ν_e	0.17	-> 0.09
$\bar{\nu}_e$	0.34	-> 0.35

3σ sensitivity on θ_{13} with the new horn

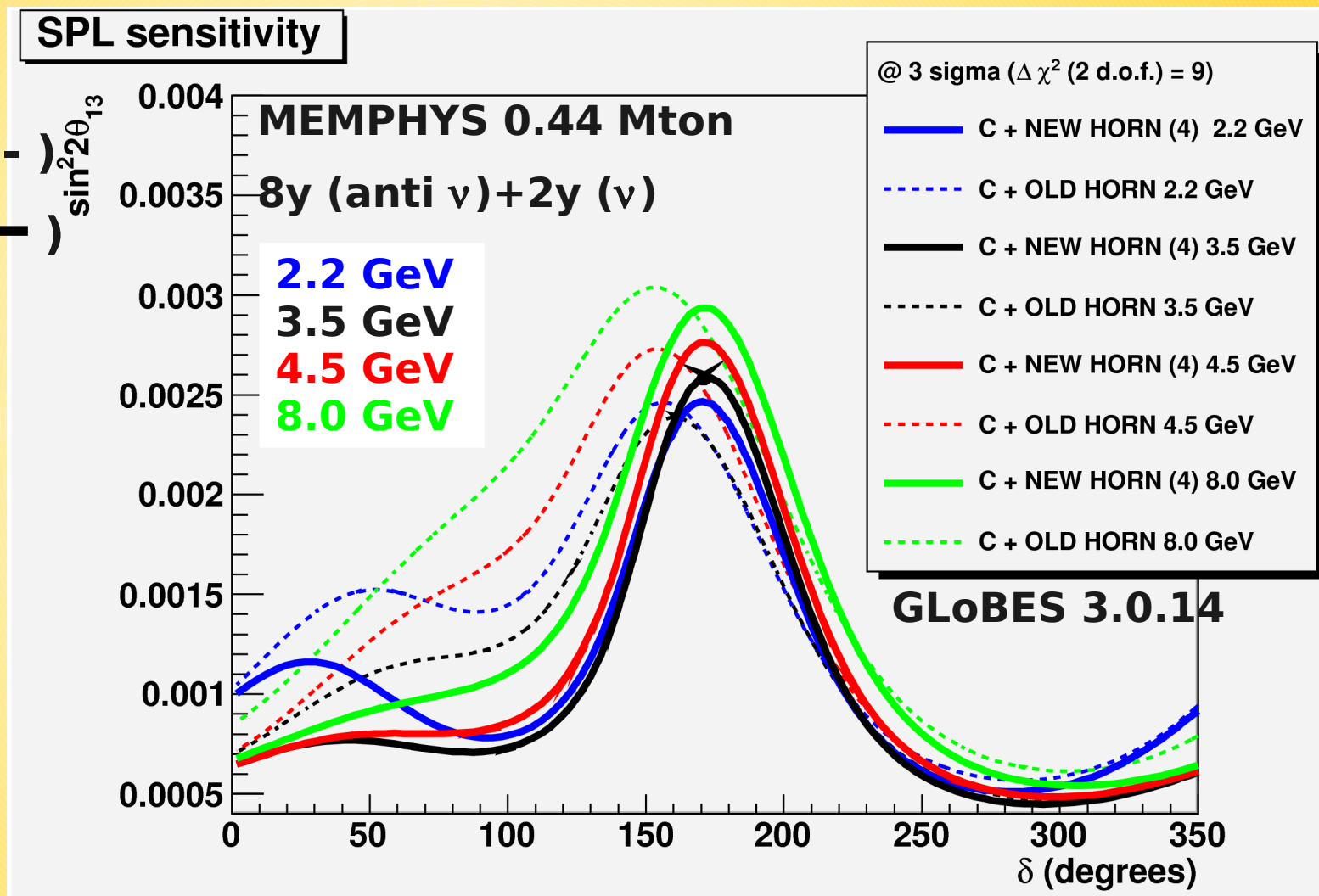
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Carbon target

old horn (- - - - -)
new horn (—————)

Significant improvement achieved by the new horn design mainly in the anti- ν region as needed.

Limits gets even better than mercury ones with standard horn



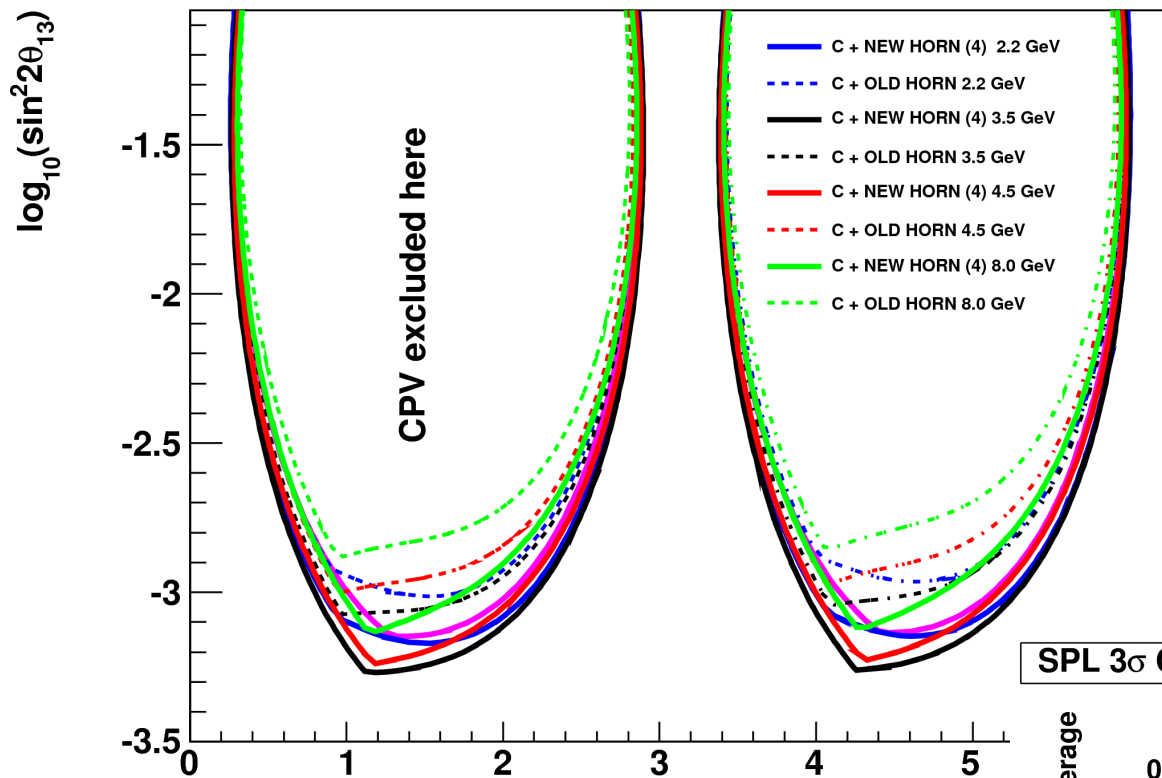
GEANT4

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3 σ CP violation discovery coverage

SPL 3 σ sensitivity to CPV ($\Delta \chi^2(\delta_{CP} = 0 \parallel \pi) = 9$)

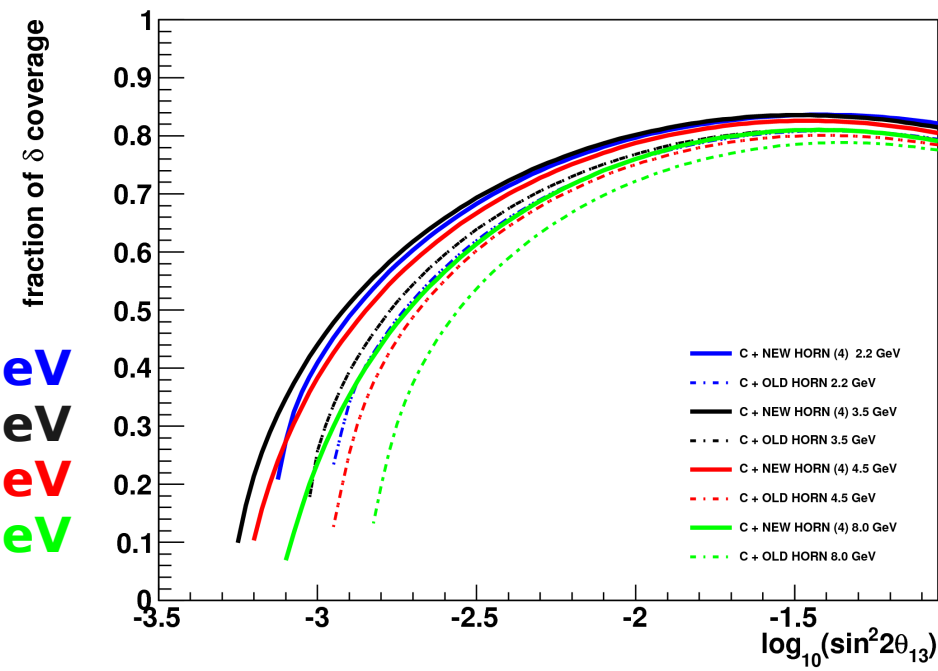


Significant improvement achieved by the **new horn design**.

The change in the focusing does not alter the “ranking” of proton energies

3.5 and **4.5** GeV are preferred (in this order)

2.2 GeV
3.5 GeV
4.5 GeV
8.0 GeV



- ✓ Horn optimization with GEANT4
- ✓ 4 validation
- ✓ 4 horns in parallel
- ✓ performance of th new horn design
- ✓ π^0 background

NC π^0 background correction

Currently estimated as a fixed fraction of the NC events w/o energy dependence in the GloBES parametrization

needs to be corrected for the new spectrum (higher-E)

rough (conservative) variation applied to estimate the effect

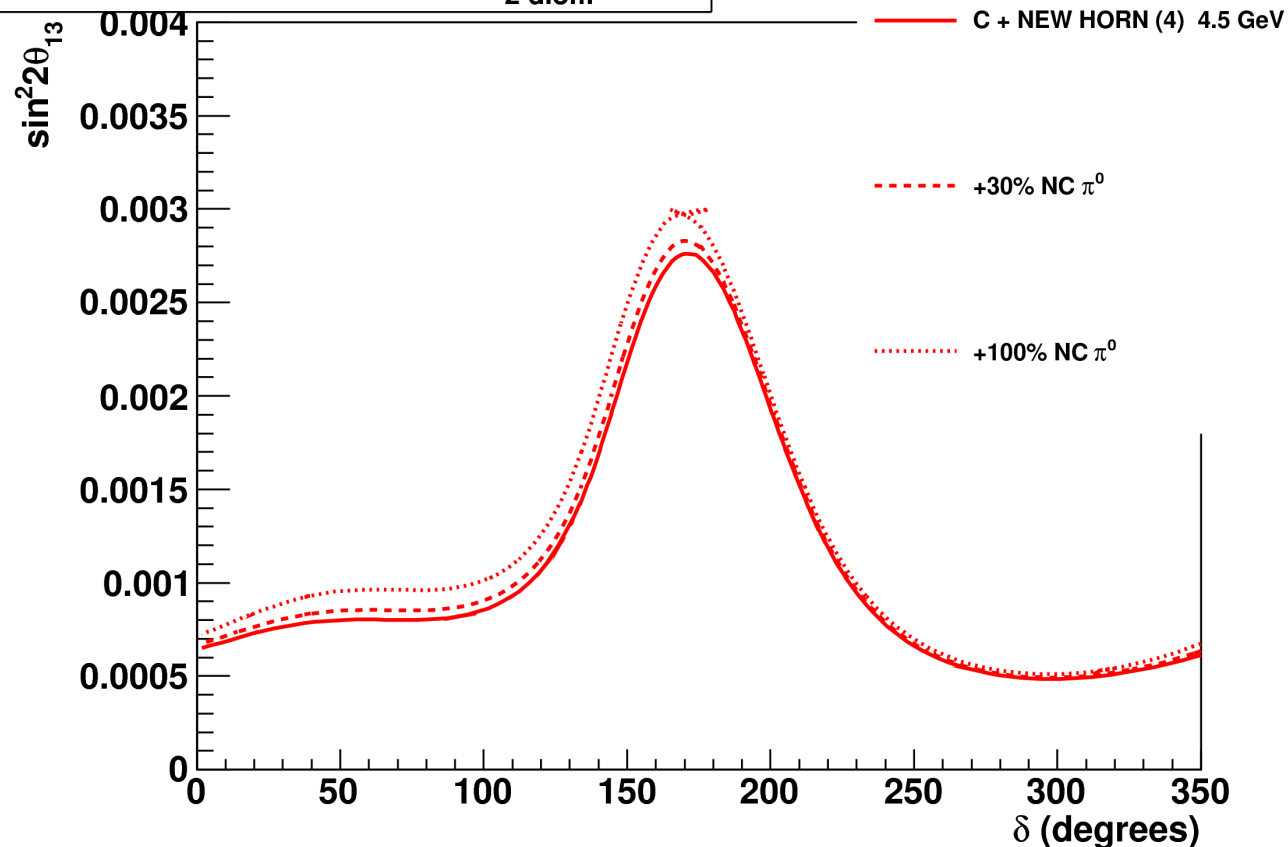
small effect ($\sim 10^{-4}$) even with a X 2 increase (in anti- ν region)

main background from intrinsic ν_e (correctly accounted for with new spectra).

more refined algorithms developed within SK since the initial study

implementation foreseen

SPL sensitivity @ 3σ ($\Delta\chi^2_{2\text{d.o.f.}} = 9$)



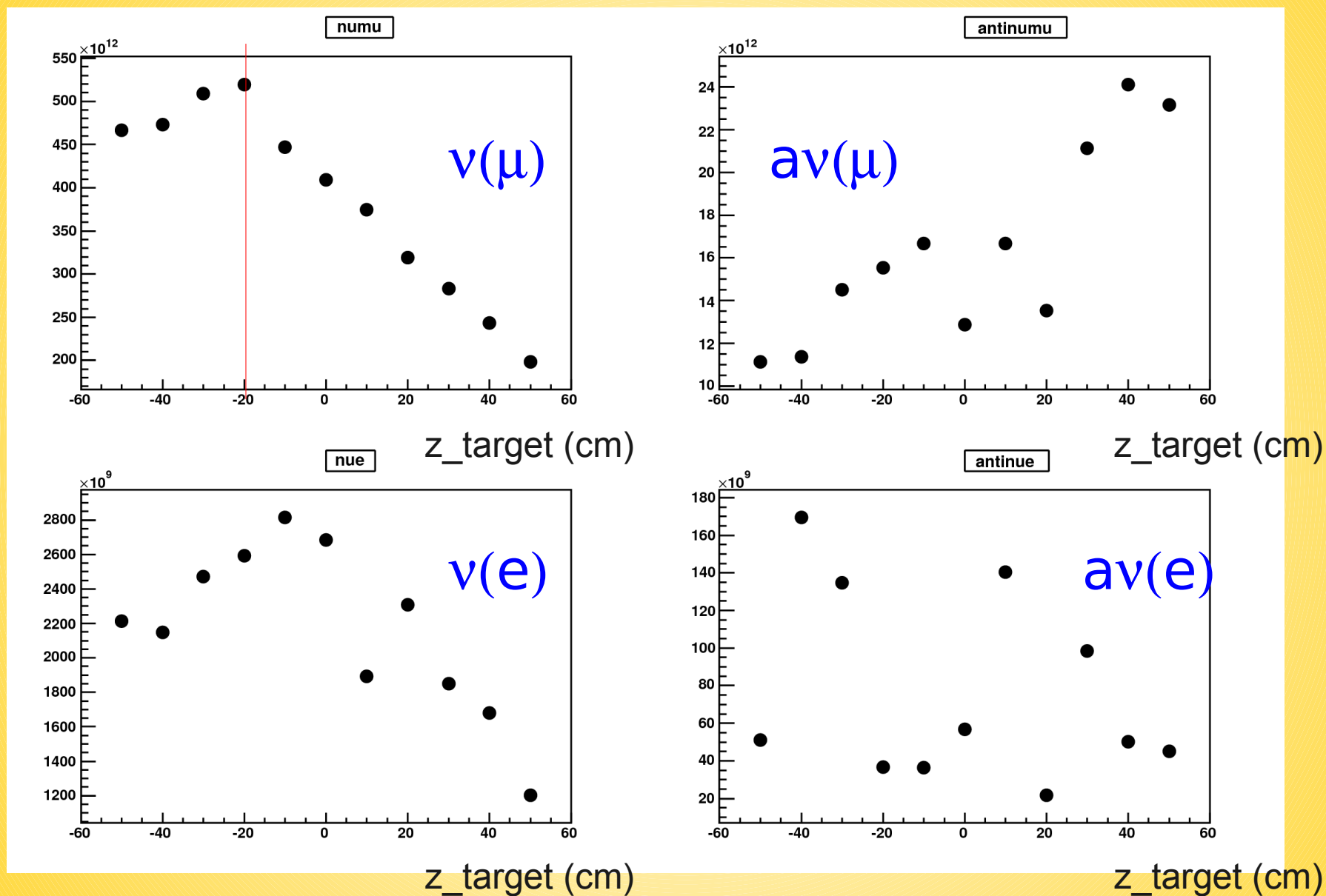
Backgrounds to ν_e appearance @ 3.5 GeV (standard conf.)

ν run: 90% ν_e , 06% NC π^0 , 3% ν_μ MIS-ID, 01% anti- ν_e
 anti- ν run: 45% ν_e , 18% NC π^0 , 2% ν_μ MIS-ID, 35% anti- ν_e

Signal eff. 70%

- ✓ Horn optimization with GEANT4
- ✓ GEANT4 validation
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- ✓ **Target z optimization**

Fluxes vs Z of target (w.r.t. horn)



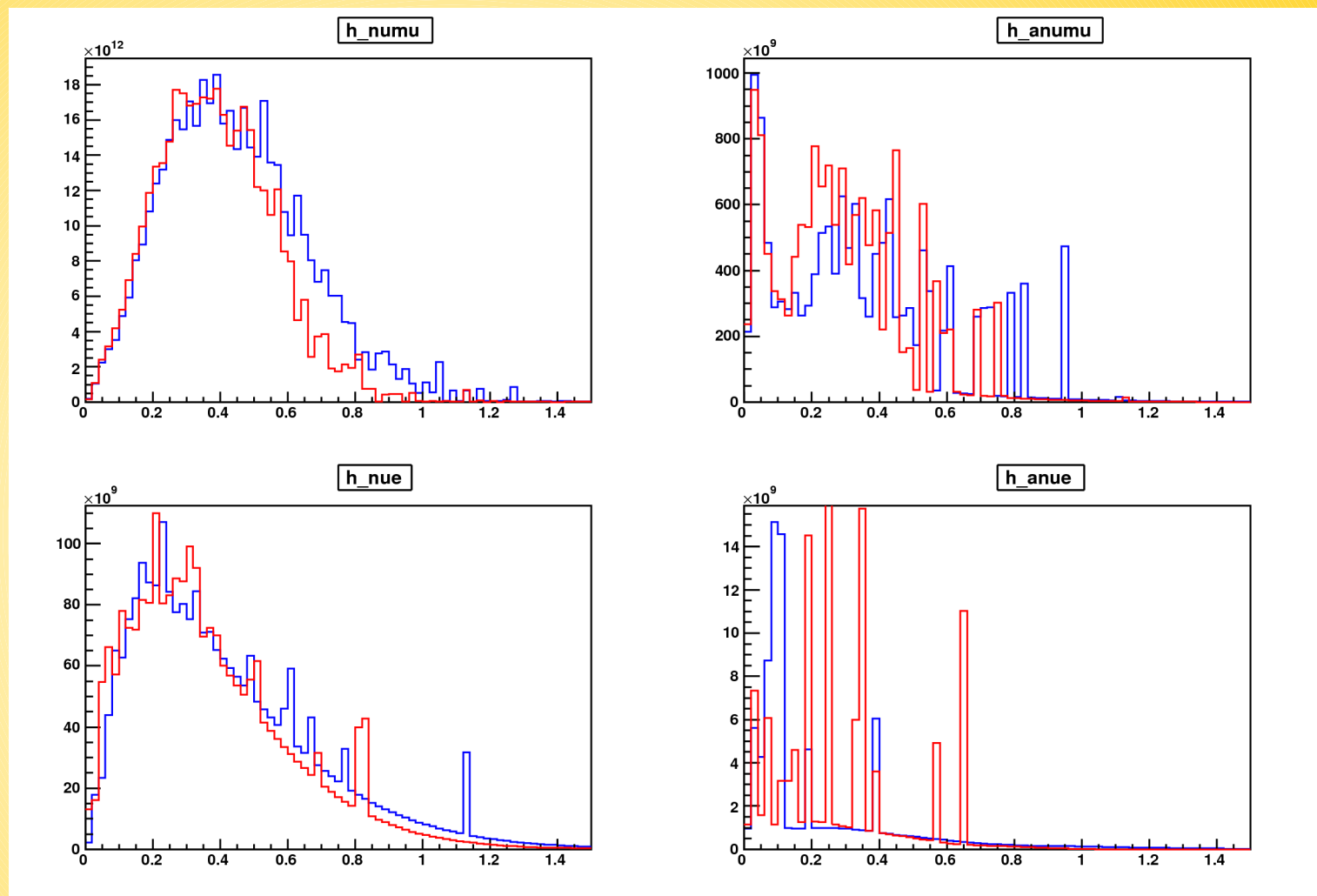
Moving the target upstream by 20 cm seems to be better ~>

Fluxes with a target shifted upstream by 20 cm

Target:

$z=0$

$z=-20\text{cm}$



- some gain in numu at high energies
- some reduction in antineutrino component
- nue-antineutrino ~same
- Not yet studied at the level of sensitivity curves

- ✓ **Horn optimization with GEANT4**
- ✓ **GEANT4 validation**
- ✓ **4 horns in parallel**
- ✓ **performance of a new horn design**
- ✓ **π^0 background**
- ✓ **Target z optimization**
- ✓ **Systematics on primary pion production**
 - ✓ **1) pC: FLUKA \sim > GEANT4**

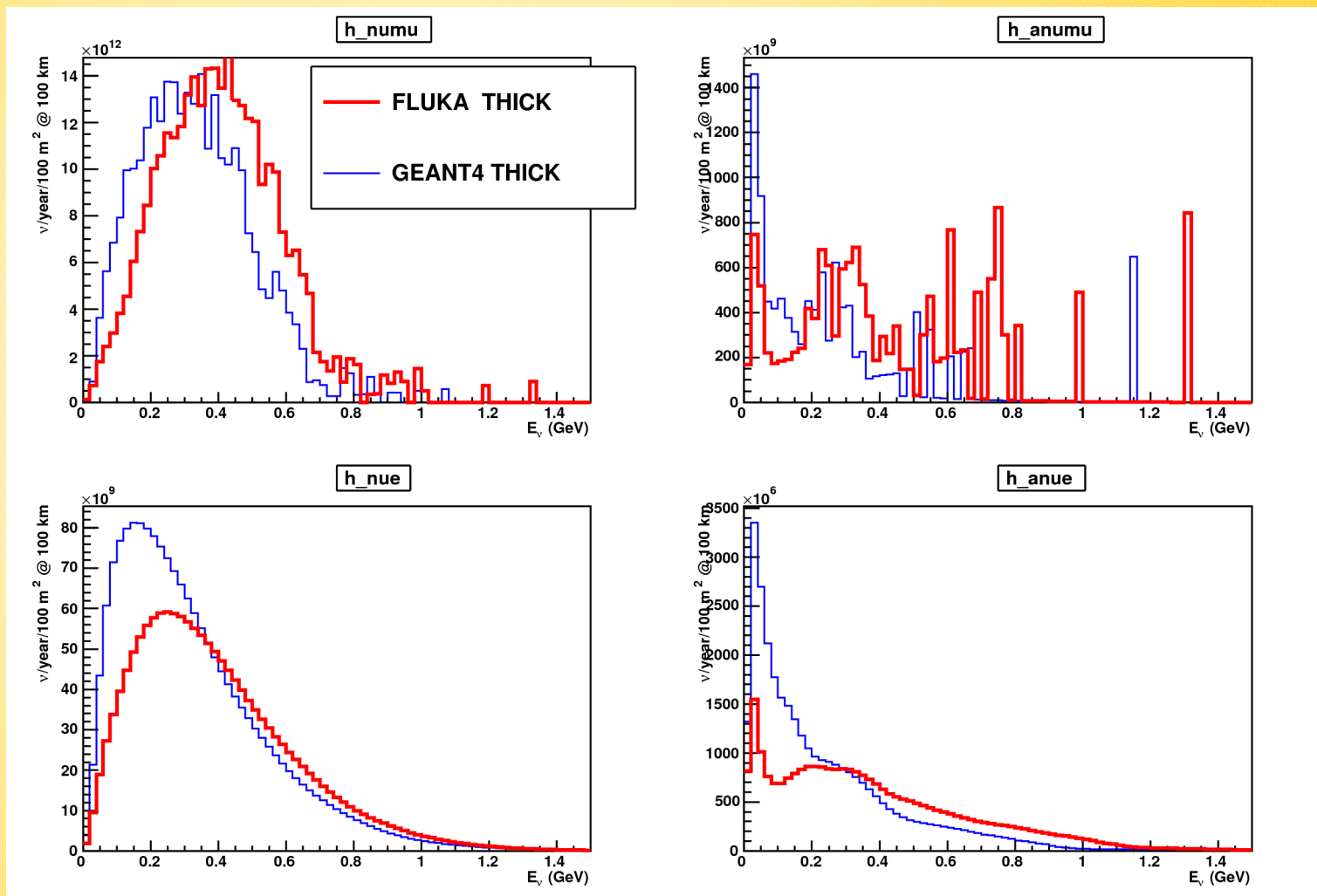
Systematics on primary pion production I

Difference in the fluxes obtained using **GEANT4** or **FLUKA** for the primary p-C interactions

NB. Here the target is a 39 cm long carbon cylinder with 3 cm diameter in order to reproduce the geometry tested by HARP (see later)

while our standard target is 78cm long.

Difference with the 78cm long target not tried yet (presumably quite similar)



~ same normalization, lower energy with GEANT4, ~more antineutrino (more “slow” muons) sizable effect, to be addressed at the level of sensitivities

- ✓ Horn optimization with GEANT4
- ✓ GEANT4 validation
- ✓ 4 horns in parallel
- ✓ performance of a new horn design
- ✓ π^0 background
- ✓ Target z optimization
- ✓ **Systematics on primary pion production**
 - ✓ 1) pC: FLUKA \sim > GEANT4
 - ✓ 2) reweight GEANT4 with HARP data

Systematics on primary pion production II

Comparison of GEANT4 pion yields and HARP differential cross sections

Chosen configuration among the available HARP (the closest to our foreseen setup):

A (gmol ⁻¹)	ρ (gcm ⁻³)	t (cm)	$A/(N_A\rho t)$ (barn)	r (cm)
12	1.85	39	0.276	1.5
180	16.69	11.14	1.616	1.5

- $E(p) = 5$ GeV
- materials: C and Tantalum (similar to Mercury)
- “thick target” ($1\lambda_1$) (“thin target” also, $5\% \lambda_1$)
- small and large angles data-sets
- $L = 39$ (1.95) cm, $R = 1.5$ cm C
- $L = 11$ (0.775) cm, $R = 1.5$ cm (Ta)

The published cross sections have been reproduced using the HARP procedure but taking the “true-level” pion tracks from the generator as input

- N_{ij} becomes the # of pions generated in the i -th p bin and j -th θ bin by N_{pot} protons on target
- $M = 1$ (by definition efficiency = 1, no migrations. HARP data instead are corrected for all this!)

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dp_i d\theta_j} = \frac{1}{N_{pot}} \frac{A}{N_A \rho t} \sum_{i',j'} M_{ij i' j'}^{-1} \cdot N_{i',j'}$$

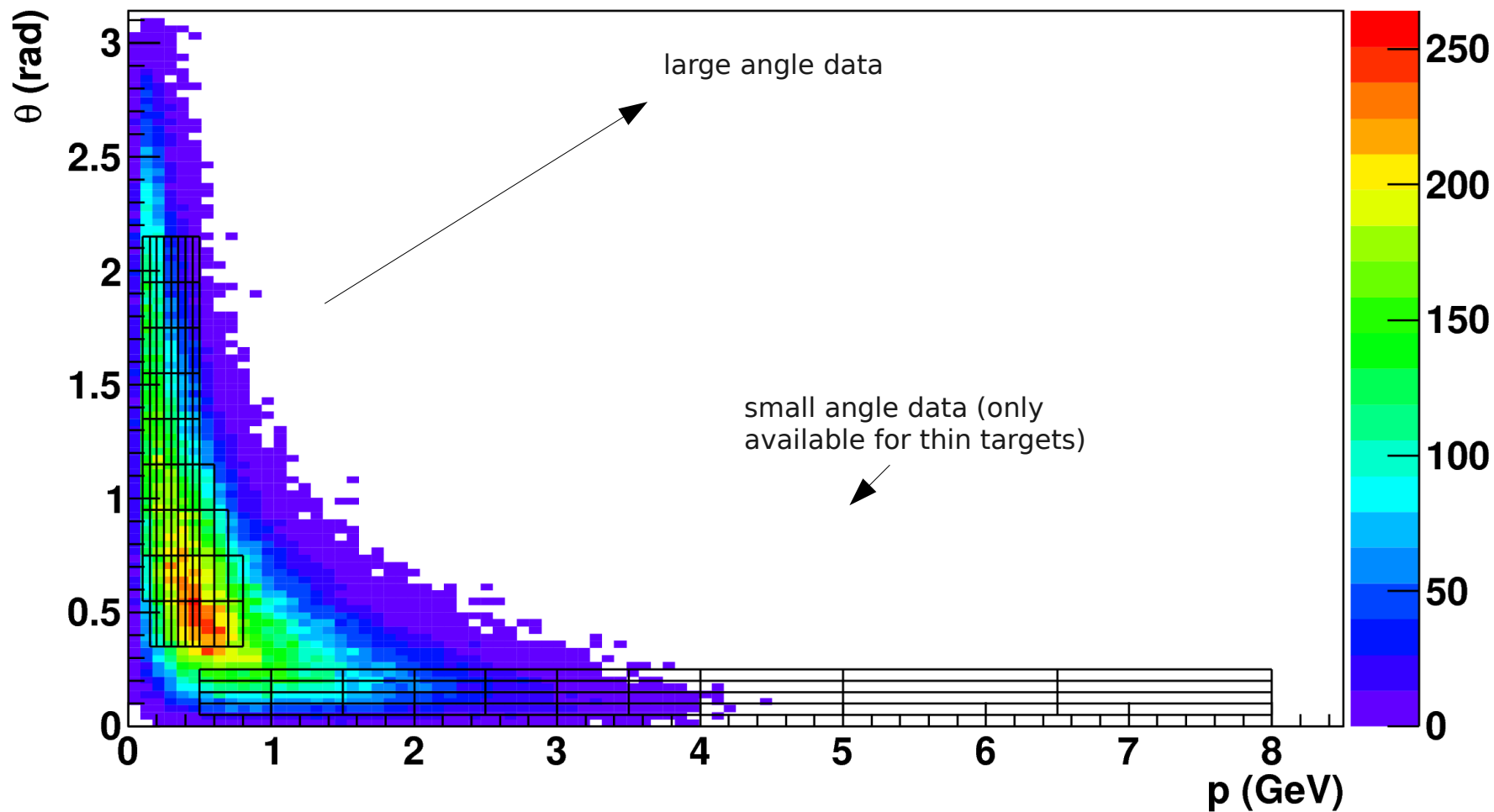
- $t =$ target length

Then a re-weighting table has been built in (p, θ) space taking ratios btw the generator cross sections and the measured ones.

Correction applied to MC -> neutrino flux comparison after re-weighting.

HARP binning

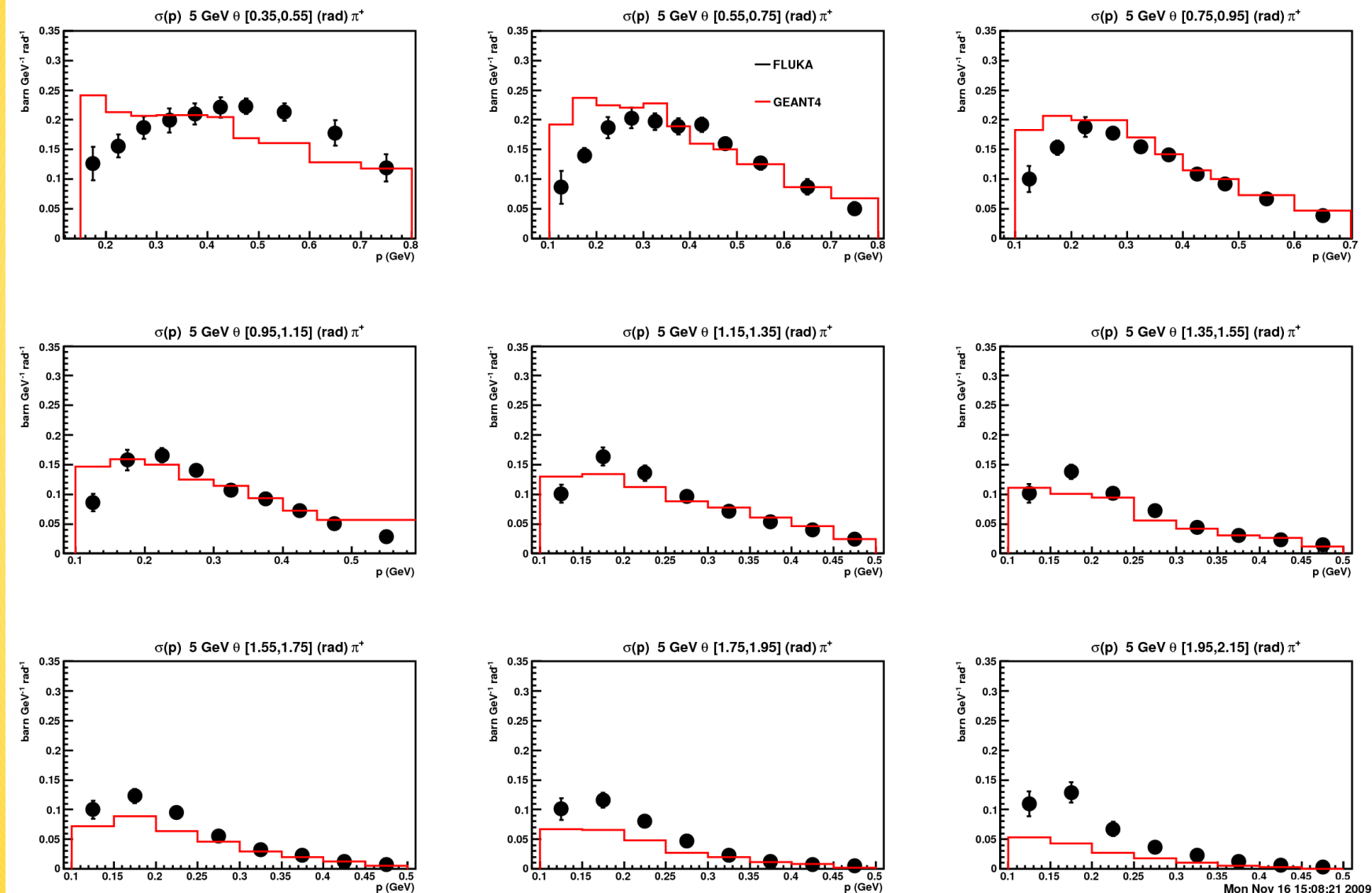
θ VS p FLUKA. $E = 5$ GeV. C THICK target. $q = -1$



HARP-GEANT4. Large angle. THICK target. C. 5 GeV. π^+

$\sigma(p)$ in θ bins

HARP-FLUKA-G4 comparison for C at 5 GeV. THICK π^+

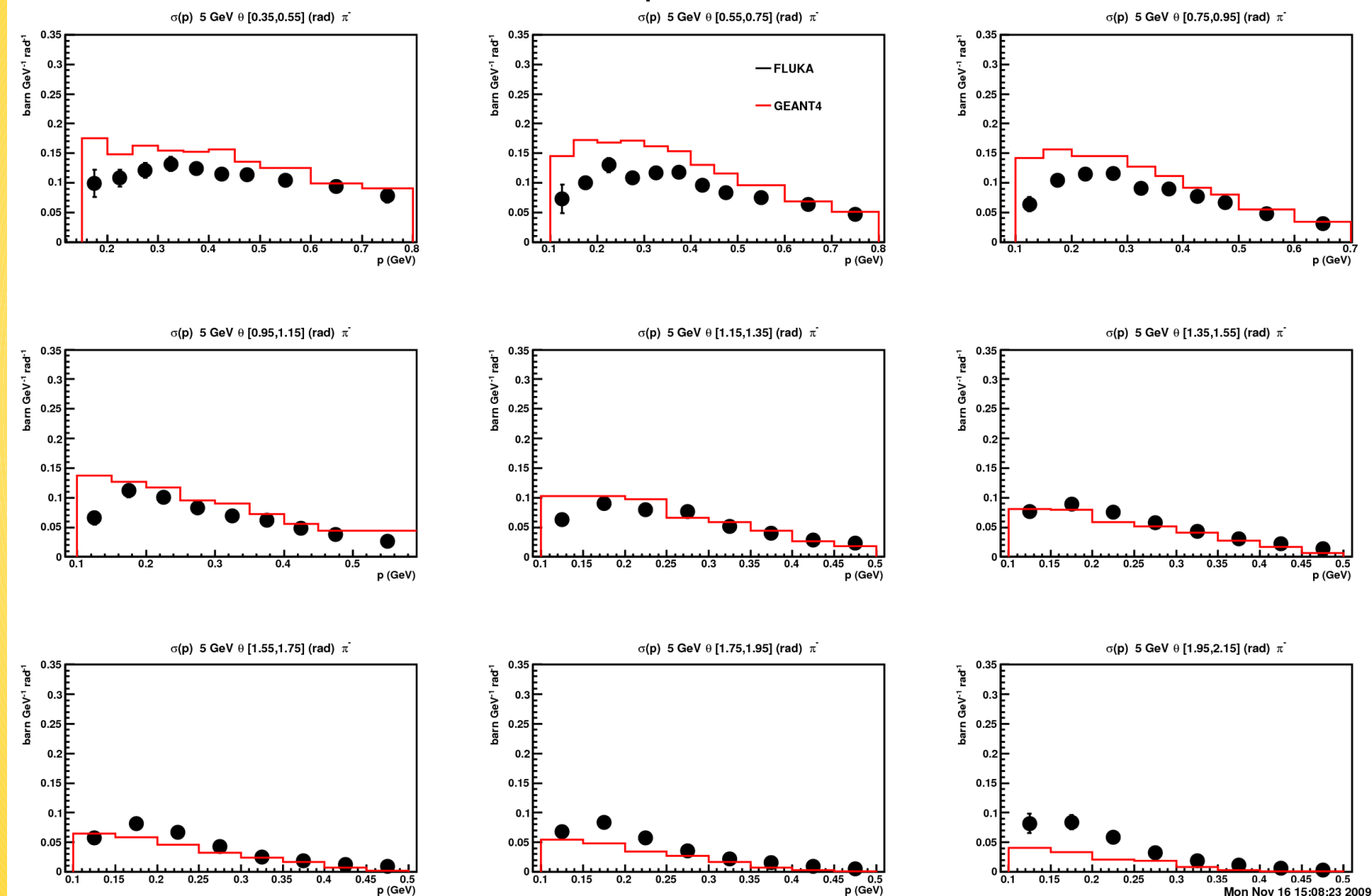


tends to underestimate production at large angles

HARP-GEANT4. Large angle. THICK target. C. 5 GeV. π^-

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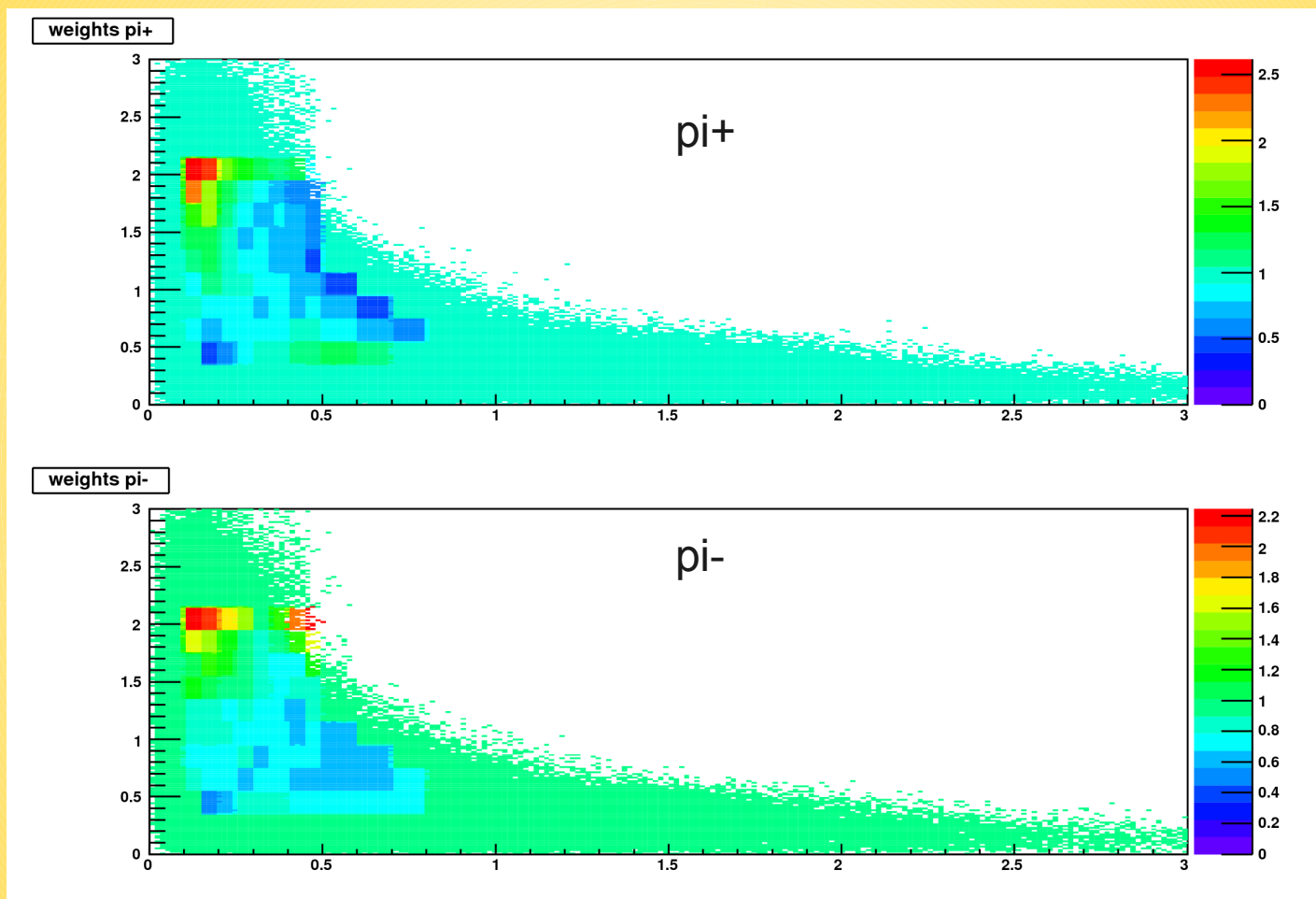
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Weights (THICK target, C 5 GeV, HARP/G4)

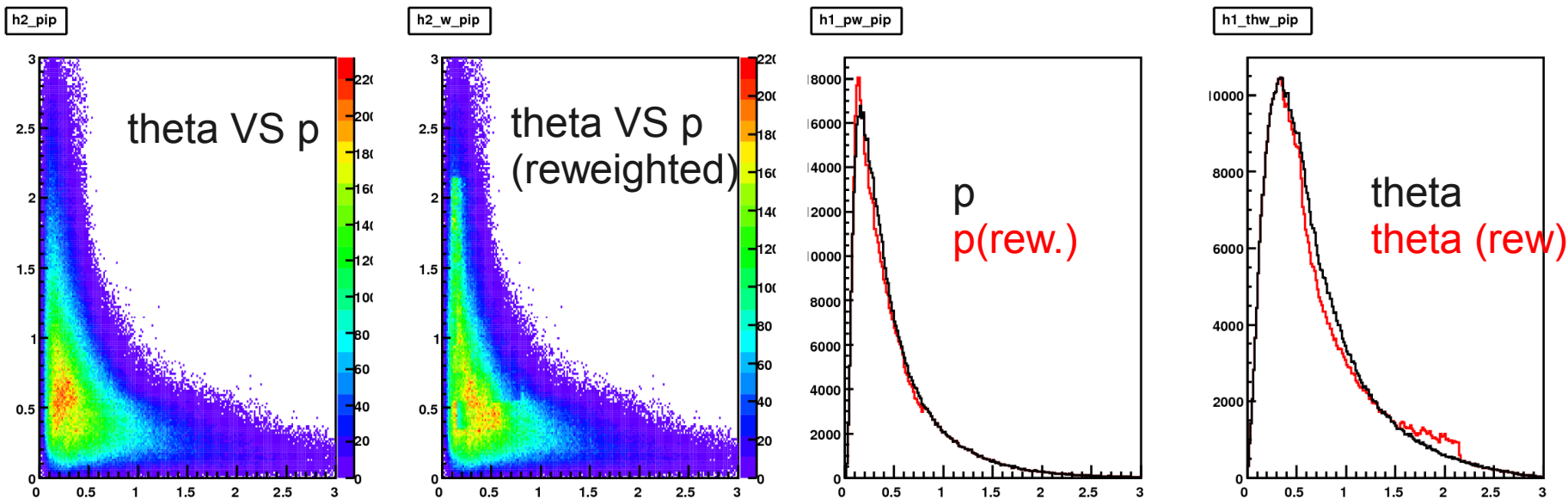
theta VS p



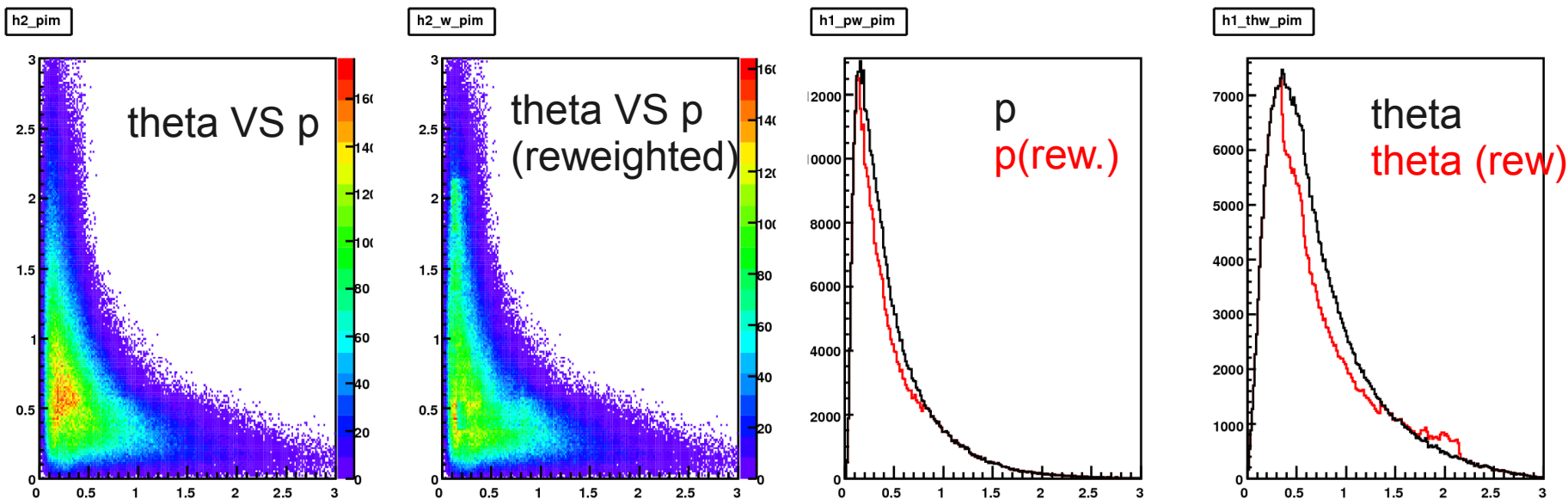
- No correction in the phase space not covered by meas.. Use Sanford -Wang outside ?
- Not straightforward “shape” for correction factor (\sim saddle).
- method: track with weight “w” is duplicated “w-times” on average (using random variable with uniform distribution).

GEANT4 re-weighting (THICK target, C 5 GeV)

π^+



π^-

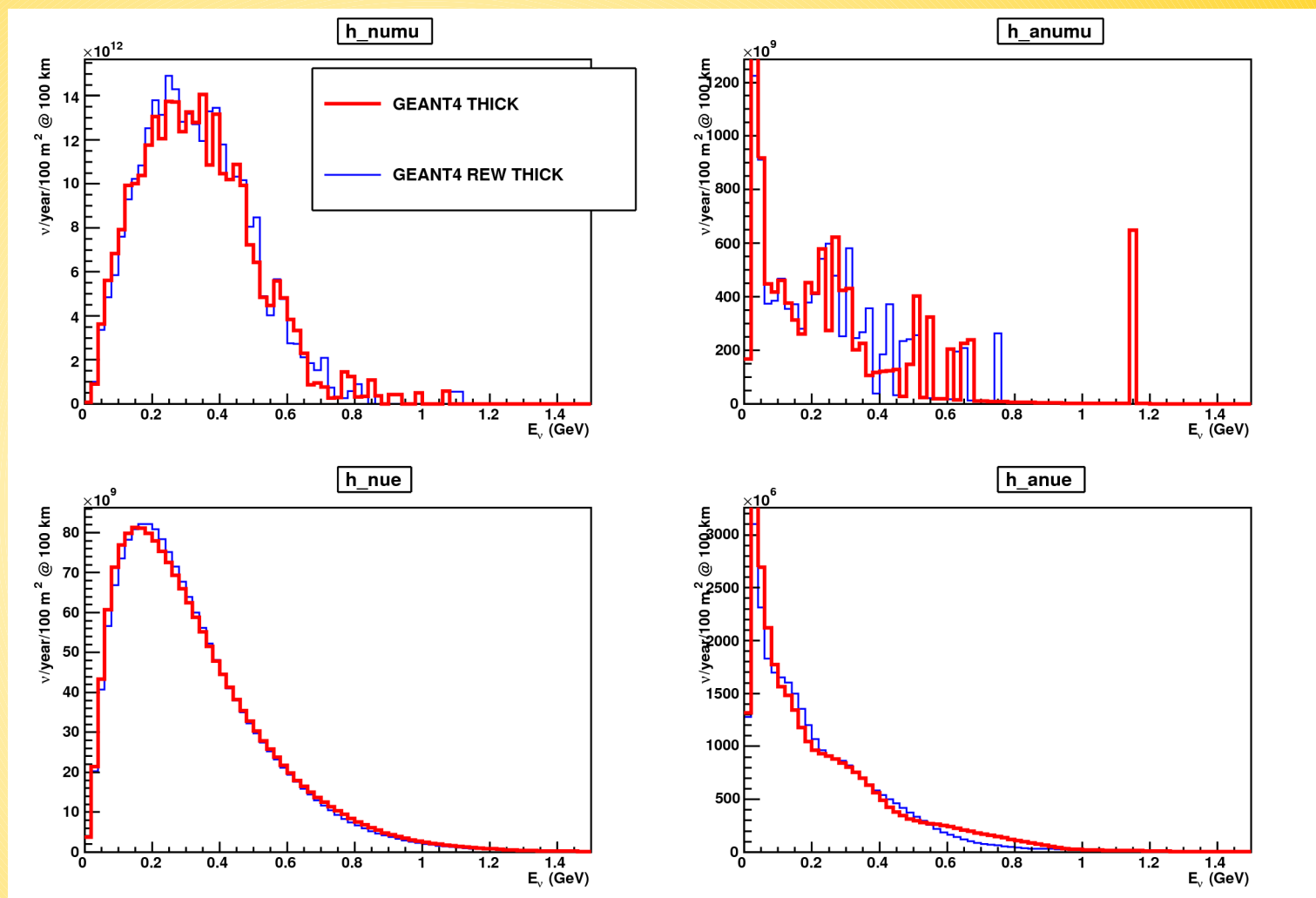


Re-weighting impact on fluxes (GEANT4)

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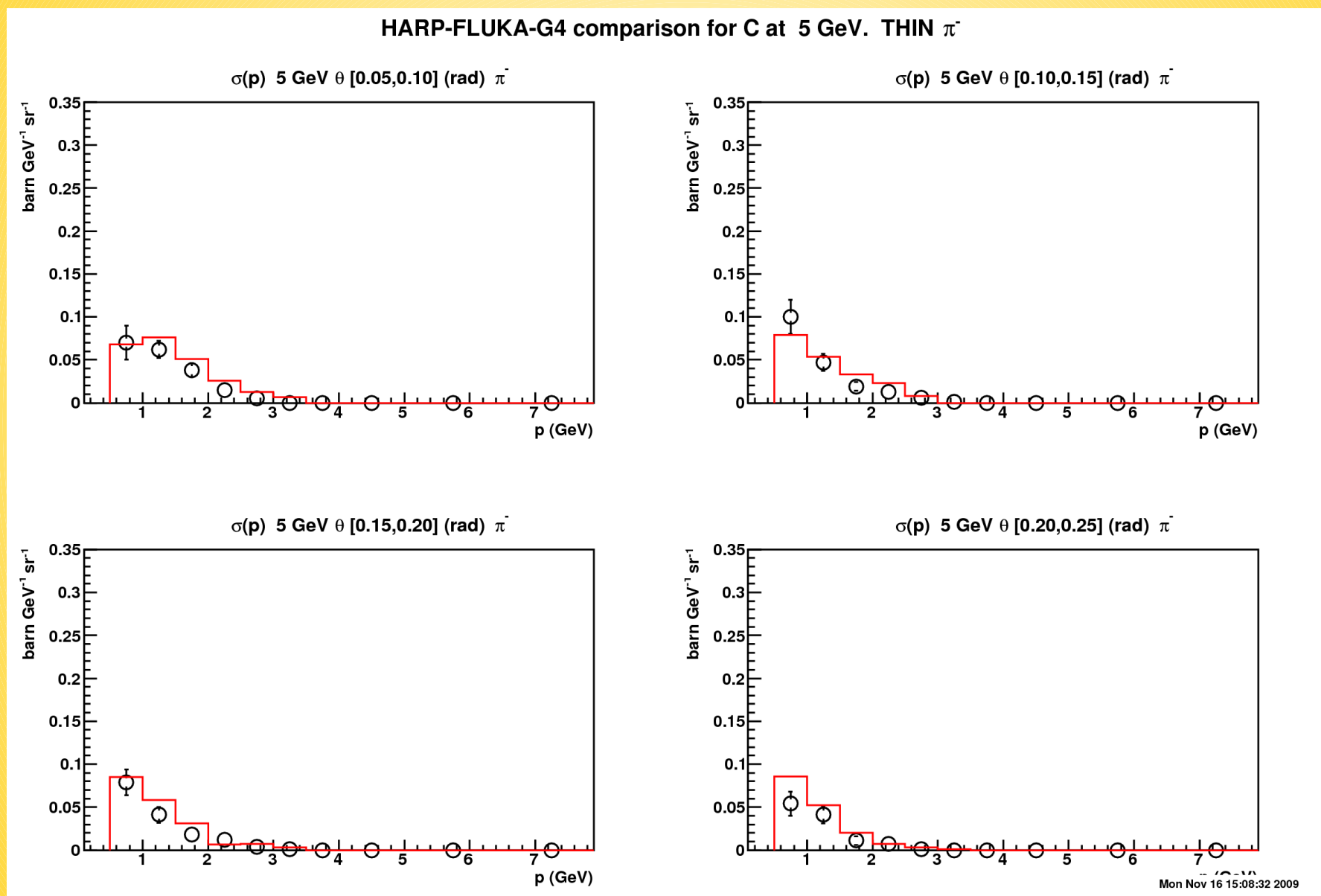
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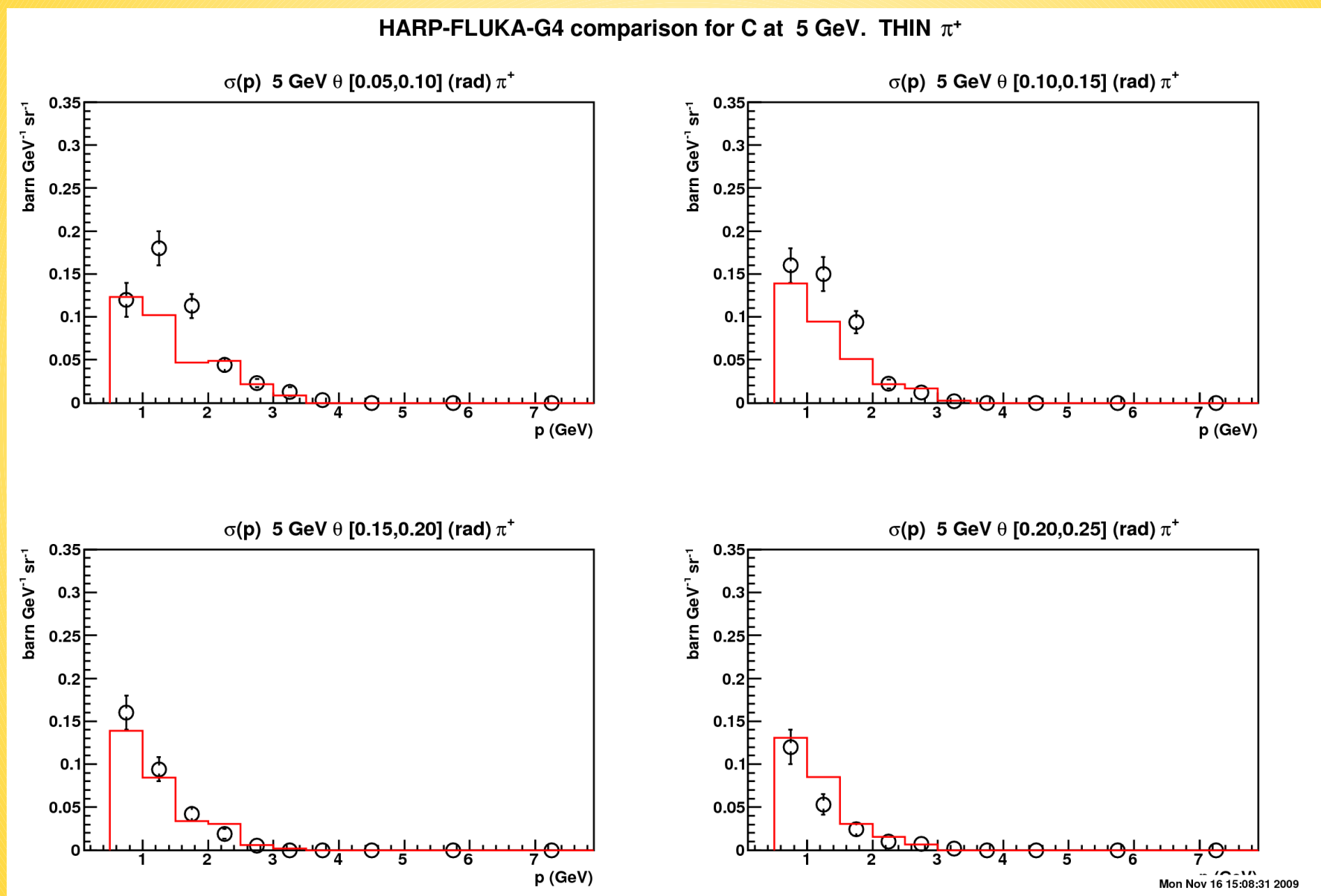


THICK TARGET data re-weighting
new focusing scheme

HARP-GEANT4. Small angle. THIN target. C. 5 GeV. pi-

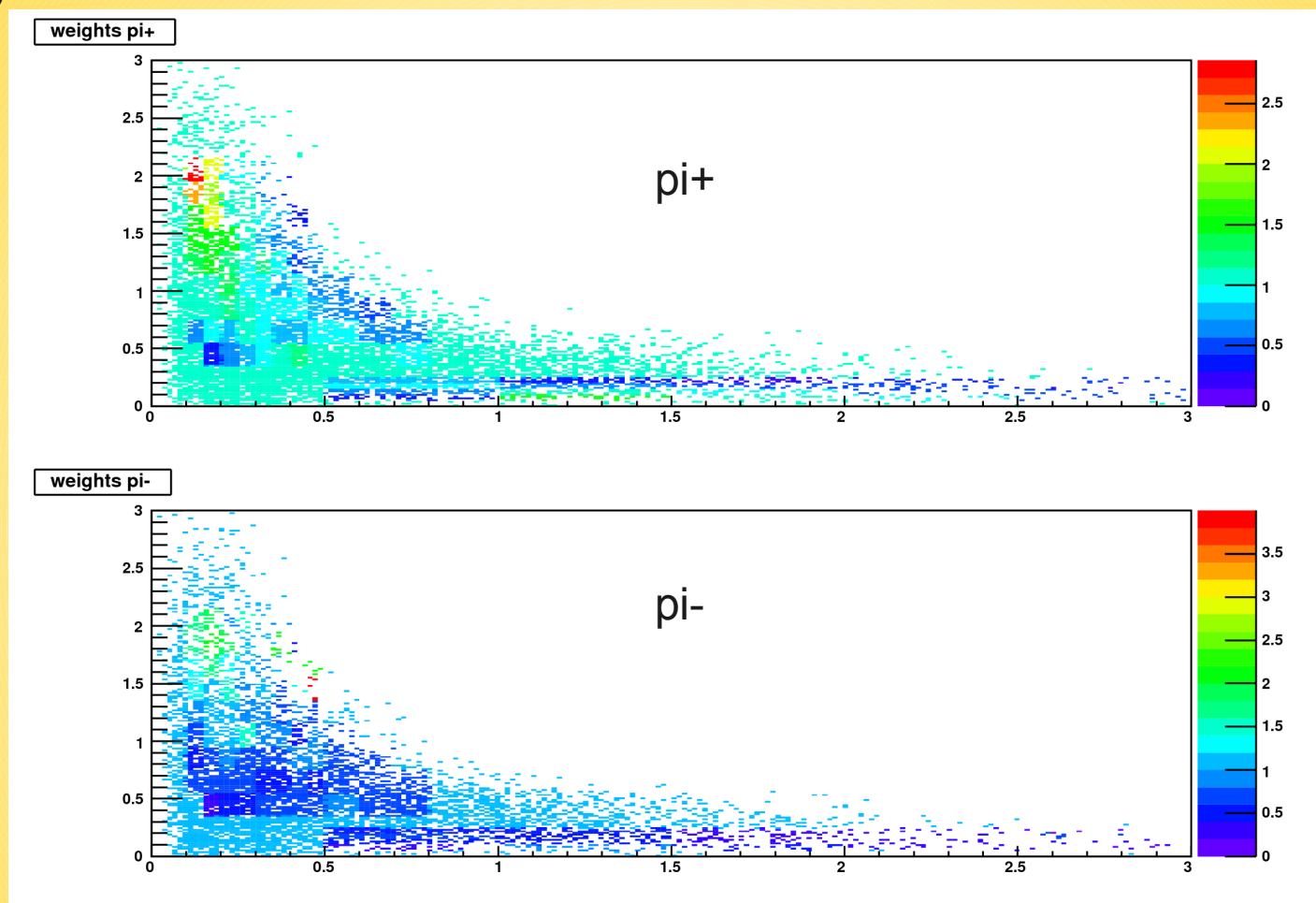


HARP-GEANT4. Small angle. THIN target. C. 5 GeV. π^+



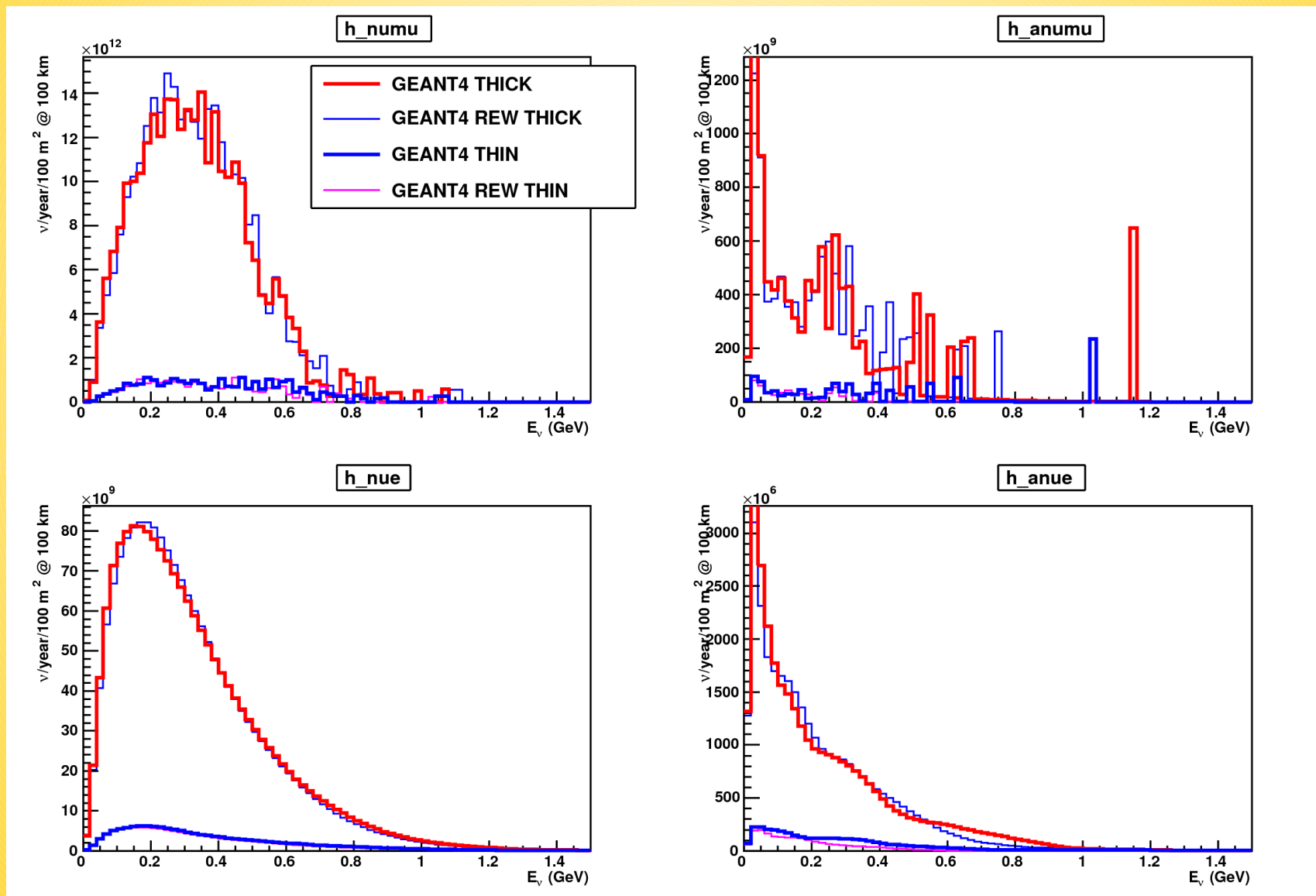
Weights (THICK target, C 5 GeV, HARP/G4)

theta VS p



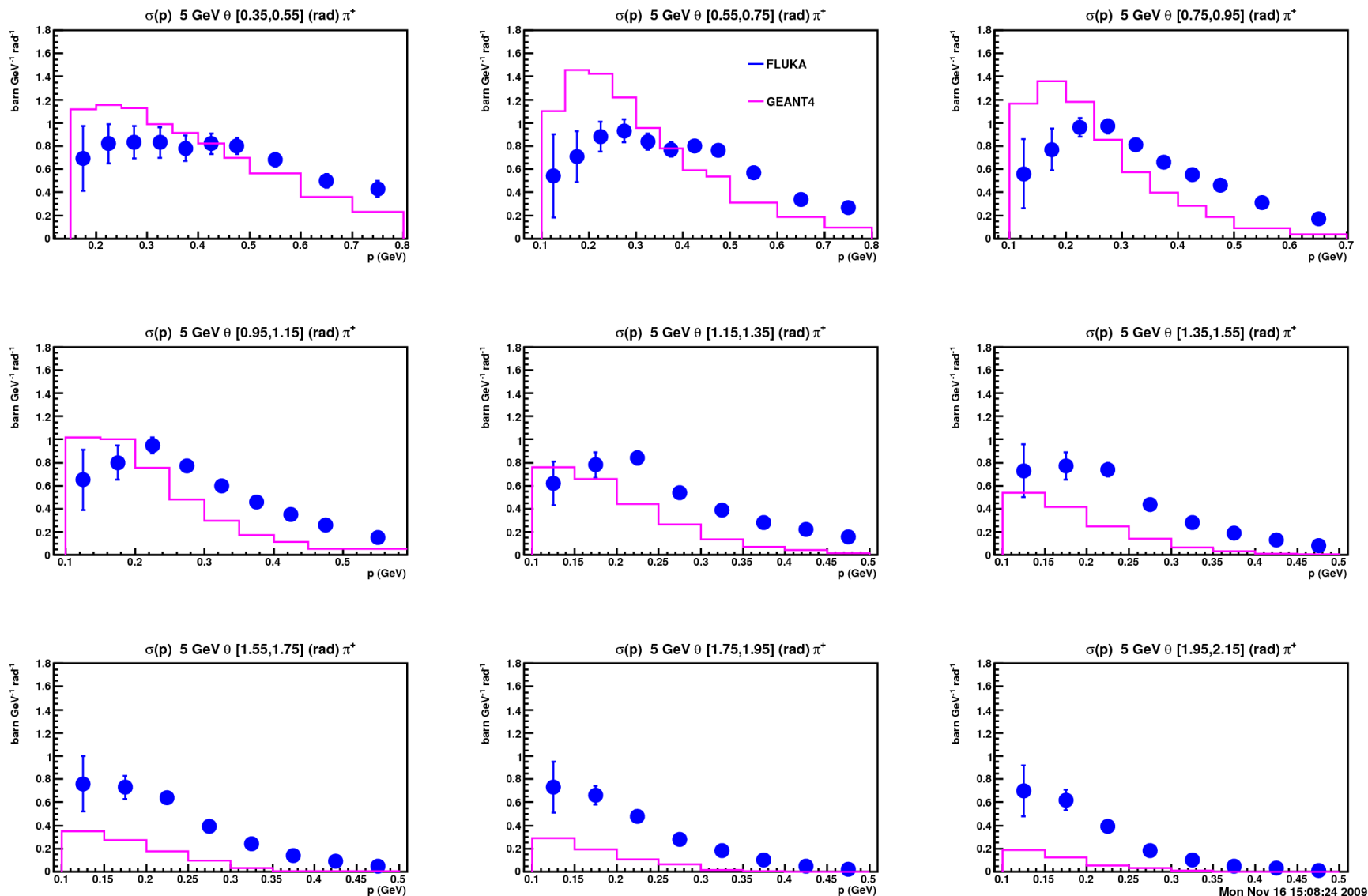
The correction factors pattern for large angle bins is similar to that found with the thick target dataset.

Re-weighting impact on fluxes (GEANT4) THICK target + THIN target



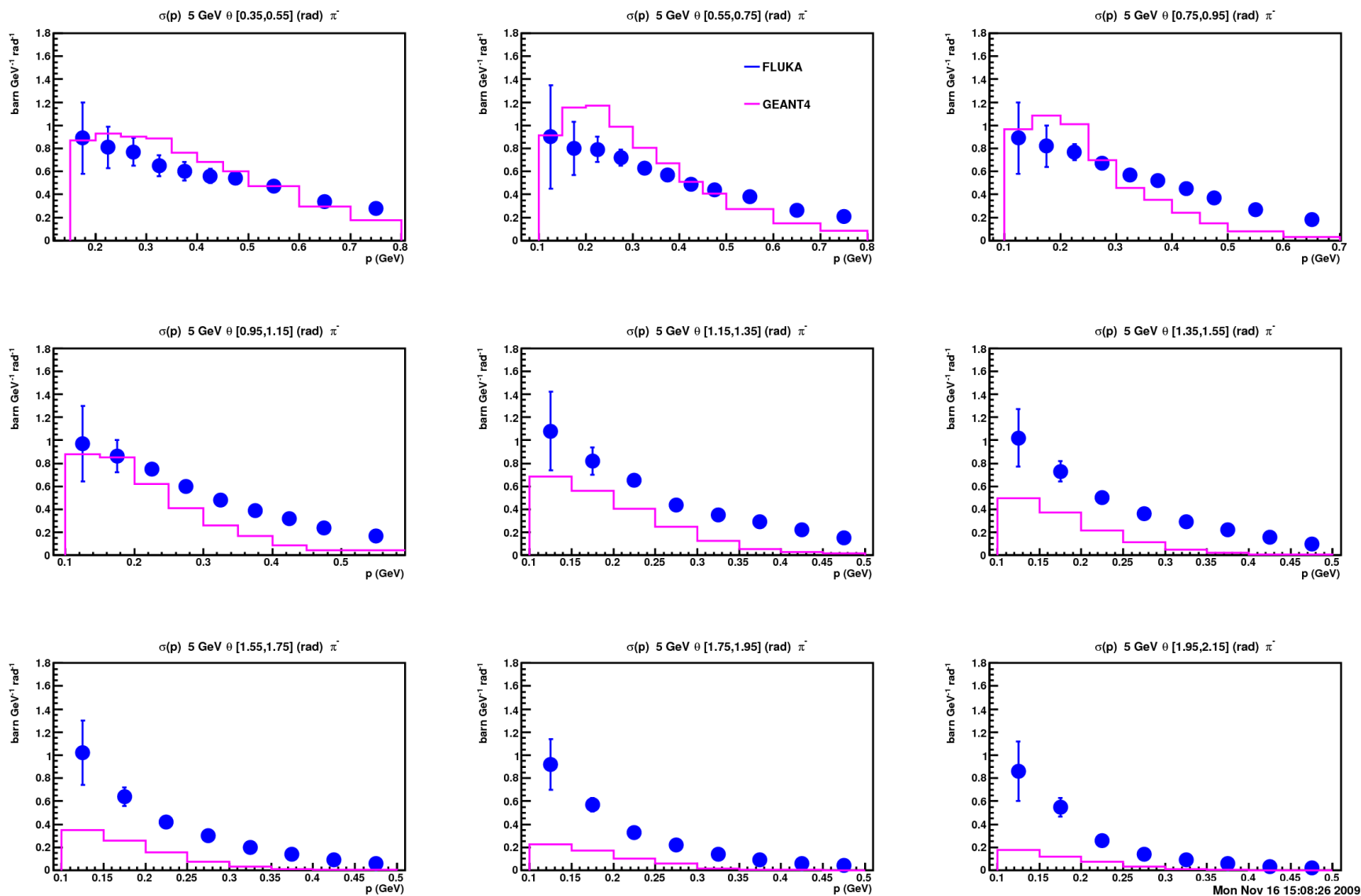
HARP-GEANT4. Small angle. THICK target. Ta. 5 GeV. π^+

HARP-FLUKA-G4 comparison for TA at 5 GeV. THICK π^+



HARP-GEANT4. Large angle. THICK target. Ta. 5 GeV. π^-

HARP-FLUKA-G4 comparison for TA at 5 GeV. THICK π^-



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Syst. on primary pion production: summary

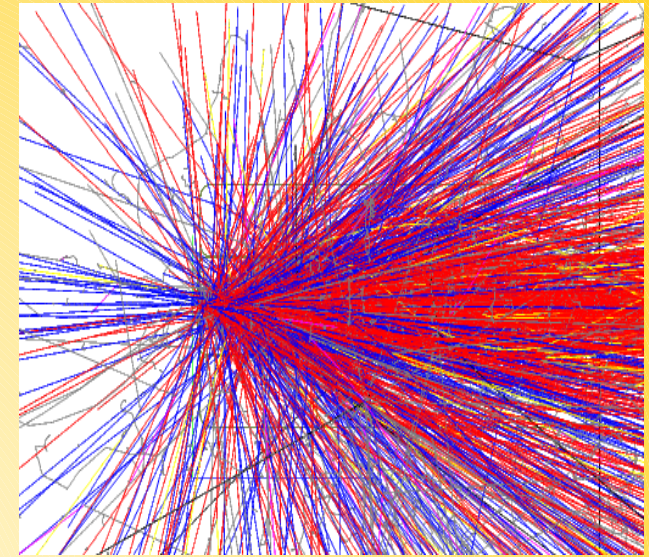
- **NB. “fresh”, preliminary results**
- **GEANT4 predicts similar fluxes but shifted to lower energies w.r.t. to FLUKA**
- **GEANT4 not too bad in reproducing the HARP data for Carbon and Tantalum**
- **pions distribution re-weighting does not alter the neutrino fluxes significantly**
- **FLUKA comparison available (also independent analysis by Christoph)**
- **need to stick to FLUKA policy for comparison with data before presenting (not present even in HARP articles)**
- **First impression is that GEANT4 looks better**

Conclusions

Simulation rewritten in **Geant4**. Good agreement with previous Geant3 simulation

New **optimized horn design** suited for a **long target** worked out.

4 horn concept viable under the point of view of fluxes (only mildly reduced)



NC π^0 with new spectrum not a major issue, better treatment planned

Some room for improvement moving the **target upstream**. To be studied further. More **systematic search** for **horn configurations** also possible.

Use of **HARP data** to constrain uncertainty on fluxes on its way

Outlook

More **HARP** related studies

a few remarks received at GDR neutrino (french meeting) in the pipeline:

- Take into account $\pi^+ \sim> e^+ \nu_e + \text{c.c.}$. A relevant contribution ?
- Split **flux** from pions from the **target** or from the **infra-structure**
- use "**Virtual Monte Carlo**" ? (common interface to FLUKA, GEANT4, GEANT3)

Backup slides

The SPL-Fréjus Super Beam

Being studied in EUROnu WP2 (beam), LAGUNA (far site) and MEMPHYS



- SPL p driver @ **4MW** (H- linac $E_k \sim 4$ GeV)
- **L = 130 Km**
- Far Detector: **0.44 Mton Water Cherenkov**
- 1st oscillation maximum $E_\nu \sim 260$ MeV

low E

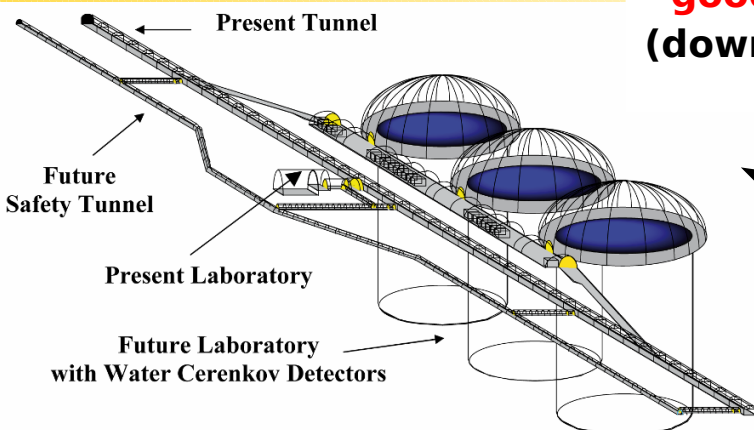
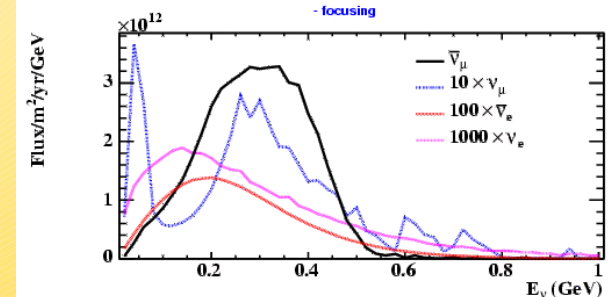
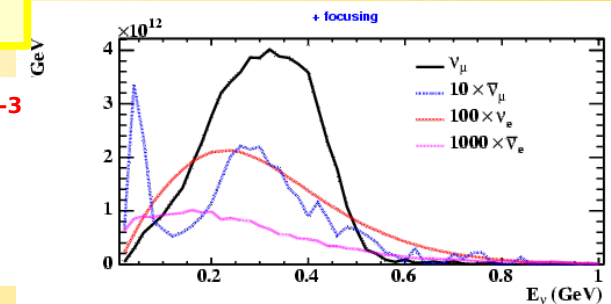
- :) very few ν_e from K
- :) compact horn and tunnel
- :) good reconstruction in W.Ch.
 - ~ all elastic
 - σ_E : 43 MeV : [0.2-0.3] GeV
 - easy π^0 rejection

small L

- :) High flux
- :) No matter effects : (
- : (mass hierarchy

“Narrow band” beam

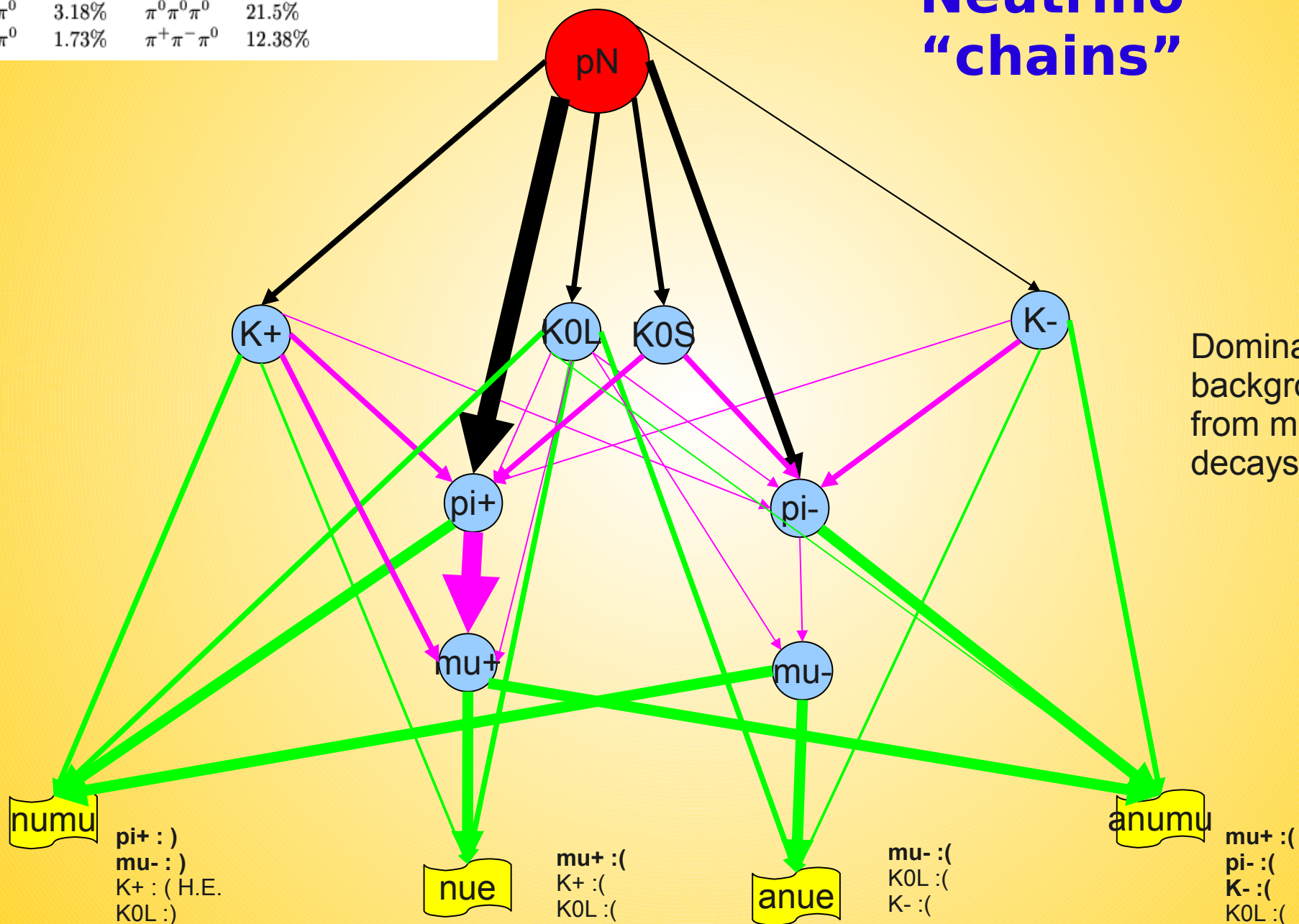
- $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ sensitivity limit @ $\sim 10^{-3}$
- **good sensitivity to δ**
(down to $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sim 10^{-2}$)



MEMPHYS
multi purpose
p decay, atm- ν , SN- ν , ...

	K^\pm	K_L^0	K_S^0
$\mu^\pm \nu_\mu$	63.51%	$\pi^- e^+ \nu_e$ 19.35%	$\pi^+ \pi^-$ 68.61%
$\pi^\pm \pi^0$	21.17%	$\pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$ 19.35%	$\pi^0 \pi^0$ 31.39%
$\pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$	5.59%	$\pi^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ 13.5%	
$e^\pm \nu_e \pi^0$	4.82%	$\pi^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$ 13.5%	
$\mu^\pm \nu_\mu \pi^0$	3.18%	$\pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$ 21.5%	
$\pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$	1.73%	$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ 12.38%	

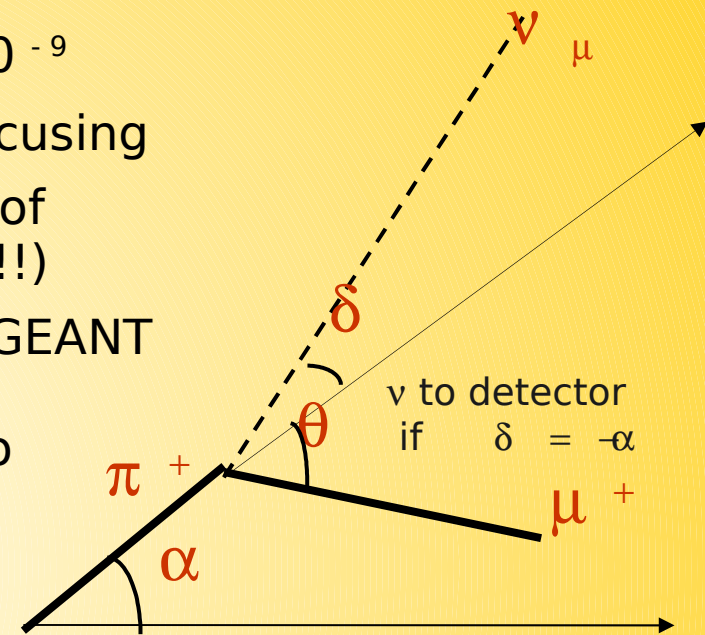
Neutrino "chains"



Flux computation method



- Solid angle of detector seen from source: $A/4\pi L^2 \sim 10^{-9}$
- + small recovery: low energy \rightarrow small boost \rightarrow low focusing
- p.o.t. to be processed to have a reasonable statistics of neutrino reaching the far detector unfeasible ($\sim 10^{15}$!!!)
- \rightarrow Each time a pion, a muon or a kaon is decayed by GEANT calculate the probability for the neutrino to reach the detector and use as a weight when filling the neutrino energy distribution



2 body case

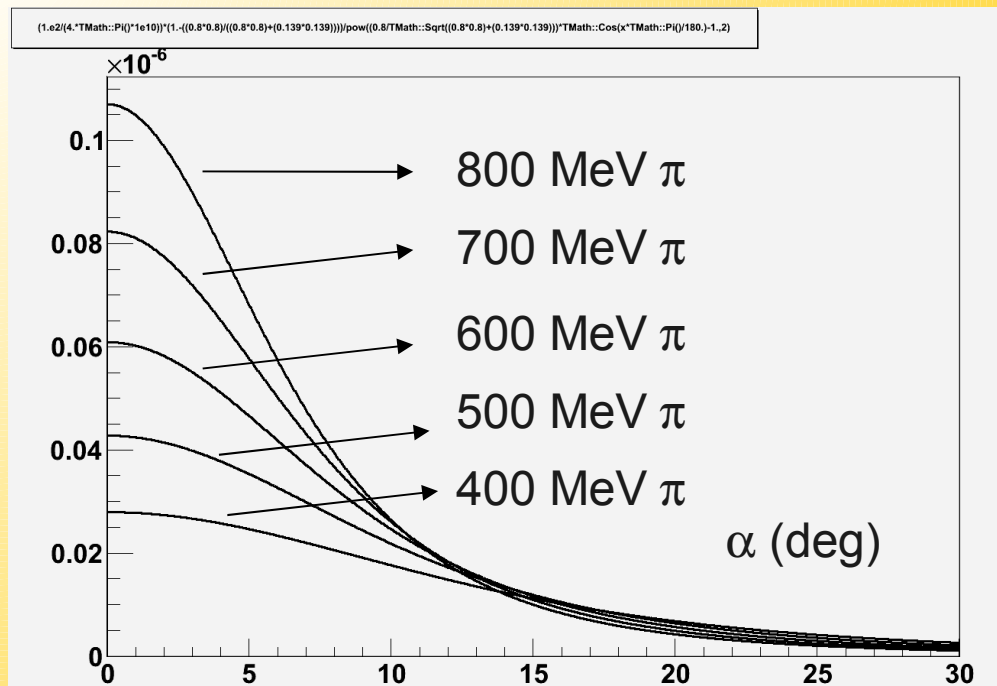


L : distance to detector
A : detector surface

Angle of π w.r.t. beam axis
in the lab frame: α

$$\mathcal{P}_\pi = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{A}{L^2} \frac{1 - \beta^2}{(\beta \cos \alpha - 1)^2}$$

“Narrower” around detector direction ($\alpha=0$) as the boost (beta) increases





μ and K3 body decays

Additional suppression of statistics with full simulation due to mu decay length ($\sim 2\text{Km}$) wrt \gg tunnel length (20-40 m)



L : distance to detector
A : detector surface

Recipe: weight each μ with the probability of decay within the tunnel. Available energy for the ν in the lab. frame is divided into 20 MeV bins and a ν with energy in each bin is simulated and weighted with the probability to reach the detector (see formula).

$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}_\mu}{dE_\nu} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{A}{L^2} \frac{2}{m_\mu} \frac{1}{\gamma_\mu (1 + \beta_\mu \cos \theta^*)}$$

Angle w.r.t. beam axis
of ν in μ rest frame: θ^*
of μ in the lab frame: ρ

$$\times \frac{1 - \beta_\mu^2}{(\beta_\mu \cos \rho - 1)^2} [f_0(x) \mp \Pi_\mu^L f_1(x) \cos \theta^*]$$

$$x = 2E_\nu^*/m_\mu$$

	$f_0(x)$	$f_1(x)$
ν_μ	$2x^2(3 - 2x)$	$2x^2(1 - 2x)$
ν_e	$12x^2(1 - x)$	$12x^2(1 - x)$

$$\Pi_\mu^T = \frac{\gamma_\pi \beta_\pi}{\gamma_\mu \beta_\mu} \sin \theta^* \quad \text{and} \quad \Pi_\mu^L = \sqrt{1 - \Pi_\mu^{T2}}$$

Π is the muon polarisation

K \rightarrow 3 body

$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}_K}{dE_\nu} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{A}{L^2} \frac{1}{m_K - m_\pi - m_l}$$

Angle of K w.r.t. beam axis
in the lab frame: δ

$$\times \frac{1}{\gamma_K (1 + \beta_K \cos \theta^*)} \frac{1 - \beta_K^2}{(\beta_K \cos \delta - 1)^2}$$

Due to limited K statistics, K tracks emerging from the target are replicated many times (~ 100) and each event is weighted $1/N$ (replication). On top weighting for the probability to reach the detector is applied (differently depending on 2 or 3 body decay)



Decay tunnel

- Cylindrical filled with low -pressure air.
- Tested geometries: $L=10-20-40-60$ m / $r = 1-1.5-2$ m
 - **$L = 40$ m , $r = 2$ m** chosen as central value
 - Based on sensitivities. $L > 40$ m gives ν_ϵ contaminations from μ decay which spoil gain given by increase of ν_μ statistics

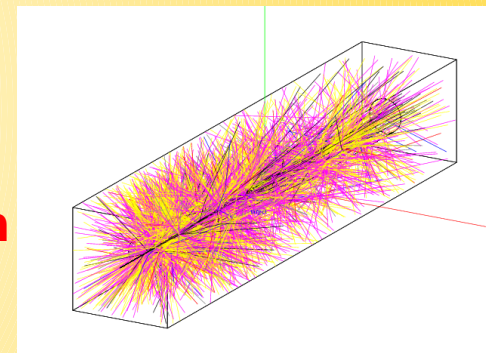
Decay lengths (m) @ 600 MeV

π	33.7
μ	3766
$K^{+/-}$	4.5
K_S^0	3.2
K_L^0	18.5



Target

- Cylindrical ($\sim 2 \lambda_1$ long)
 - **$r = 0.75$ cm**
 - **Liq. mercury (Hg): $L = 30$ cm**



Simulation tools

Power dissipation / **mesons yield** / **π collection** / **ν fluxes** / **sensitivities**

FLUKA 2008.3 + GEANT4

FLUKA 2008.3*

GEANT3
GEANT4

GEANT3
GEANT4

GLoBES 3.0.14

new

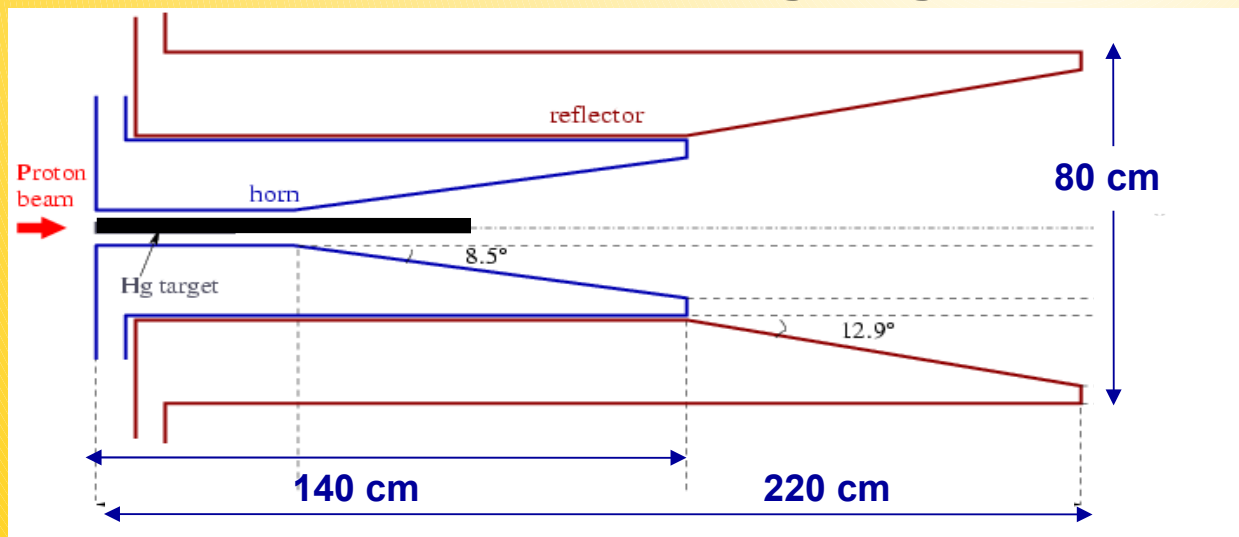
new

ν fluxes: probabilistic approach. Each decay is weighted with the probability of the ν to reach the far detector. Event duplication + weighting for μ and K decays.

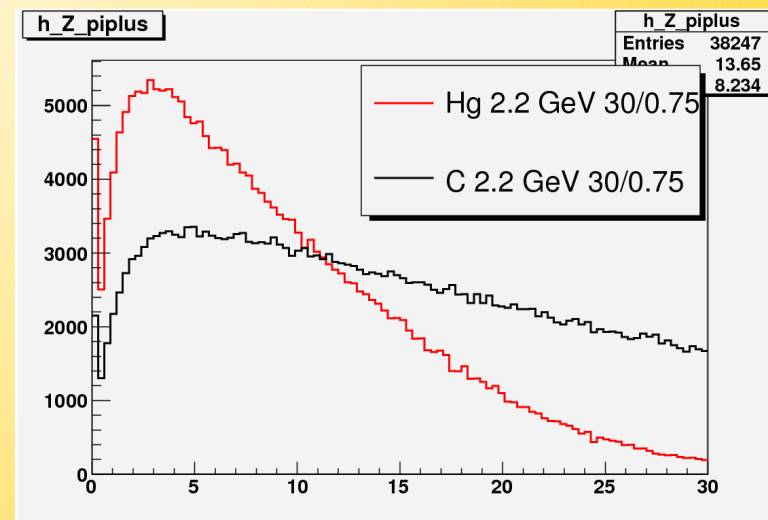
A graphite target: motivations

- Integration of the Hg jet within the horn not addressed
- Hg-Al chemical incompatibility
- No magnetic field for a standard magnetic horn to mitigate the explosion of the mercury jet (MERIT) as in the case of superconducting solenoids used for the neutrino factory design (no charge discrimination, not for a SB)
- Already used (i.e. T2K, He cooled, 750 kW)
 - First approach: replace the target keeping focusing + tunnel
 - L_{target} : 30 \rightarrow 78 cm (i.e. sticking to a $\sim 2 \lambda$, target, same R)

Horn + Refl. + 78 cm long target



Z of pi+ exiting the target



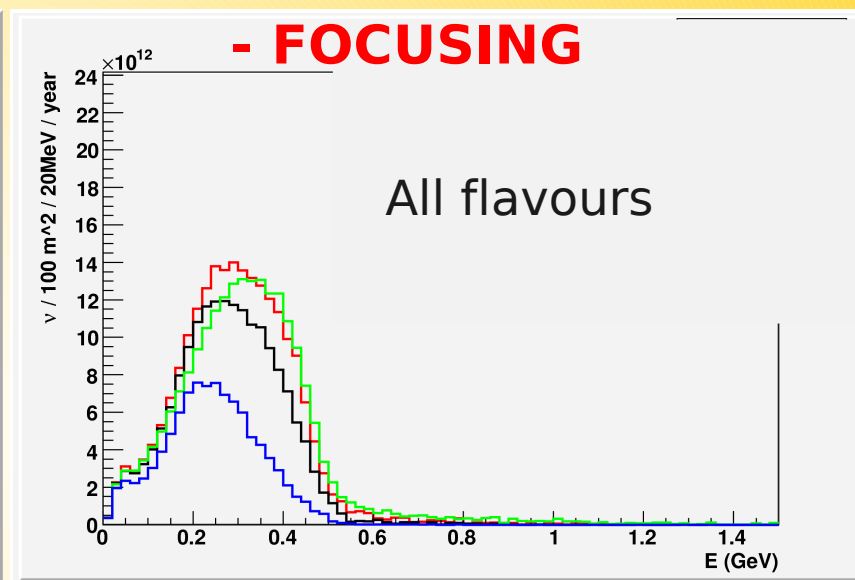
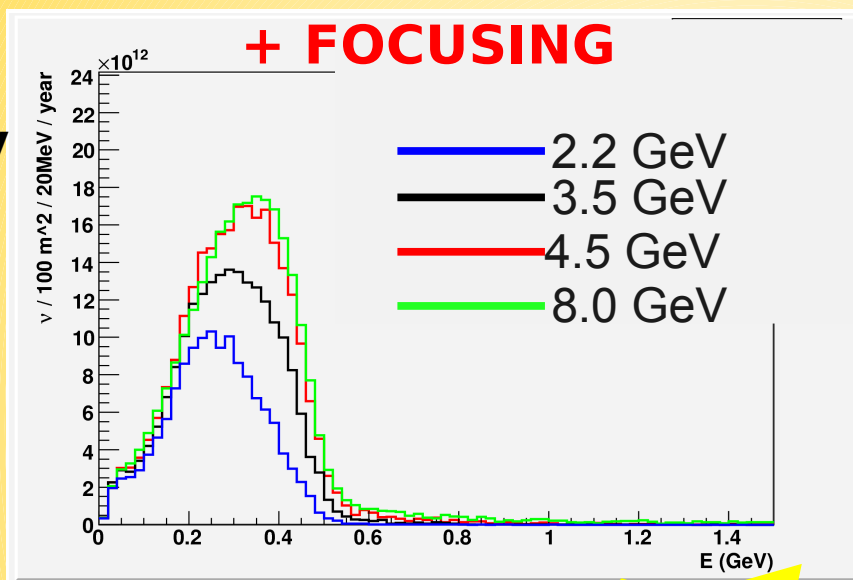
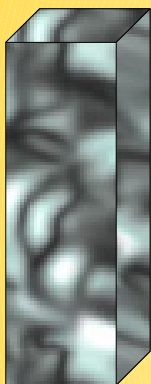
C vs Hg: ν fluxes

Minimal
change
approach

- **Standard Horn**
- **Geant3 simulation**
- **30 cm Hg->78 cm C (FLUKA)**

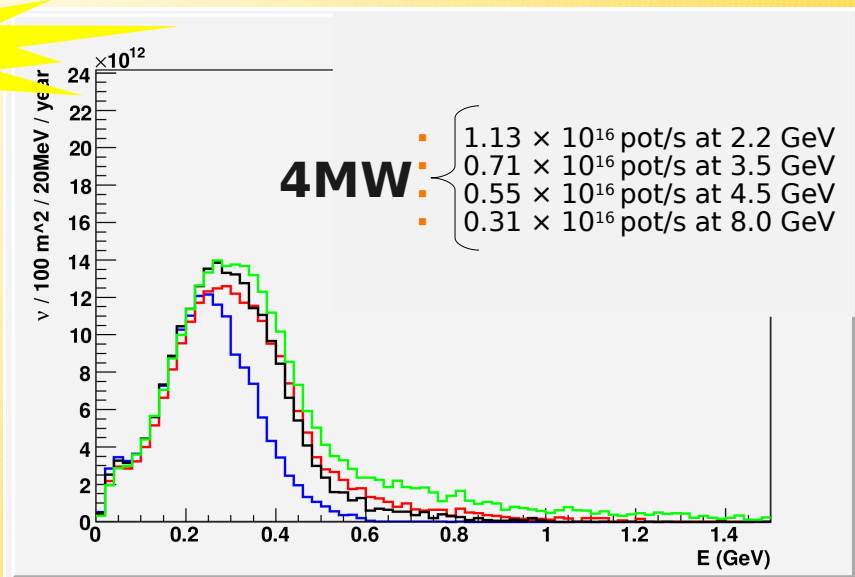
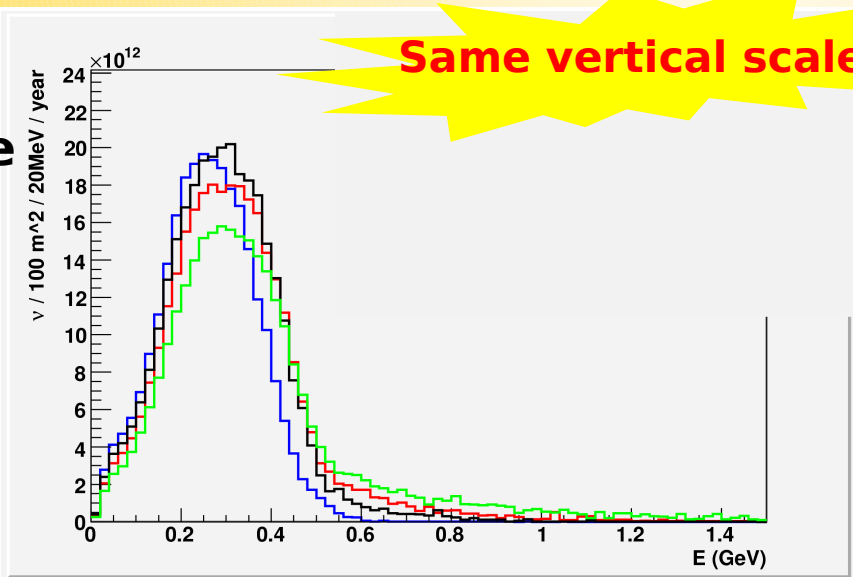
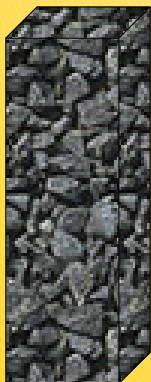
- pion yield trends are reflected in fluxes despite non optimized focusing for long C target
- Fluxes from C and Hg are **comparable**
- higher high energy tail for C due to not optimized focusing

Mercury



Same vertical scale

Graphite



Pion collection: Hg-C

- p vs θ plots

- Positive focusing
(negative defocusing)

- Carbon:

- focused π^+ less
"monochromatic" (tail at
high momentum)

- larger fraction of not
defocused π^-

- 4.5 GeV

probability to reach the
far detector

$$\mathcal{P}_\pi = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{A}{L^2} \frac{1 - \beta^2}{(\beta \cos \alpha - 1)^2}$$

π^+

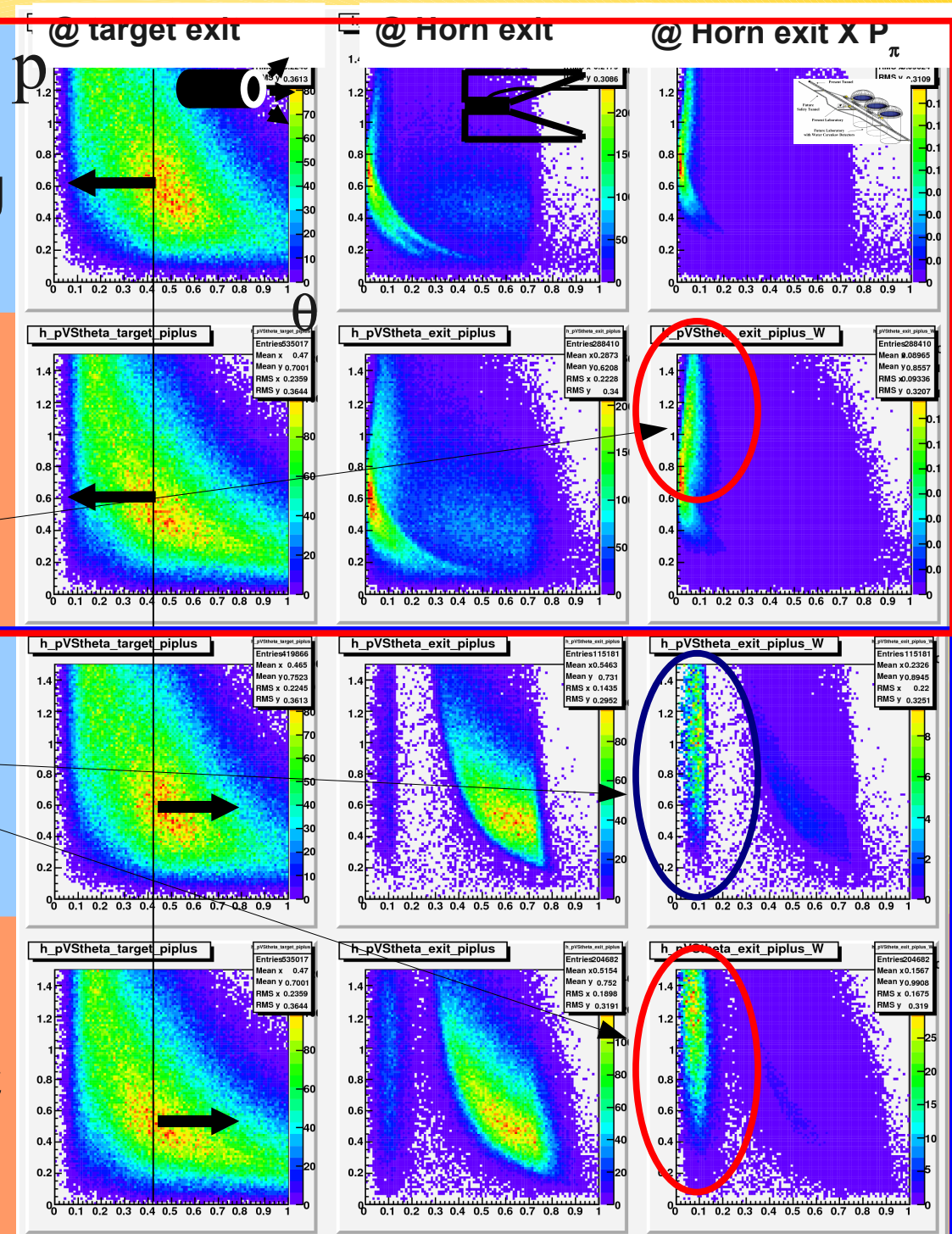
π^-

Hg

C

Hg

C



References to previous articles and more recent work

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- **Poster @ CERN workshop “European Strategy for future neutrino physics” 1-3/10/09**
- **EUROnu WP2 indico page: <http://indico.in2p3.fr/categoryDisplay.py?categId=203>**
- ***Study of the performance of the SPL-Fréjus Super Beam using a graphite target* A. Longhin. www.euronu.org WP2-note**

EUROnu

A High Intensity Neutrino Oscillation Facility in Europe

EUROnu is a Framework Programme 7 Design Study which started on 1st September 2008 and will run for 4 years. The primary aims are to study three possible future neutrino oscillation facilities for Europe and do a cost and performance comparison.

The three facilities being studied are:

- **CERN to Frejus superbeam ← our interest**
- **Neutrino Factory**
- **Beta Beam with higher Q isotopes**

In addition, EUROnu will look at the performance of the baseline detectors for each facility and determine the physics reach of each. Although a European project, EUROnu will collaborate closely with related international activities, in particular the International Design Study for a Neutrino Factory, IDS-NF.

Work Packages

WP1: Management and Knowledge Dissemination

WP2: Super-Beam

WP3: Neutrino Factory

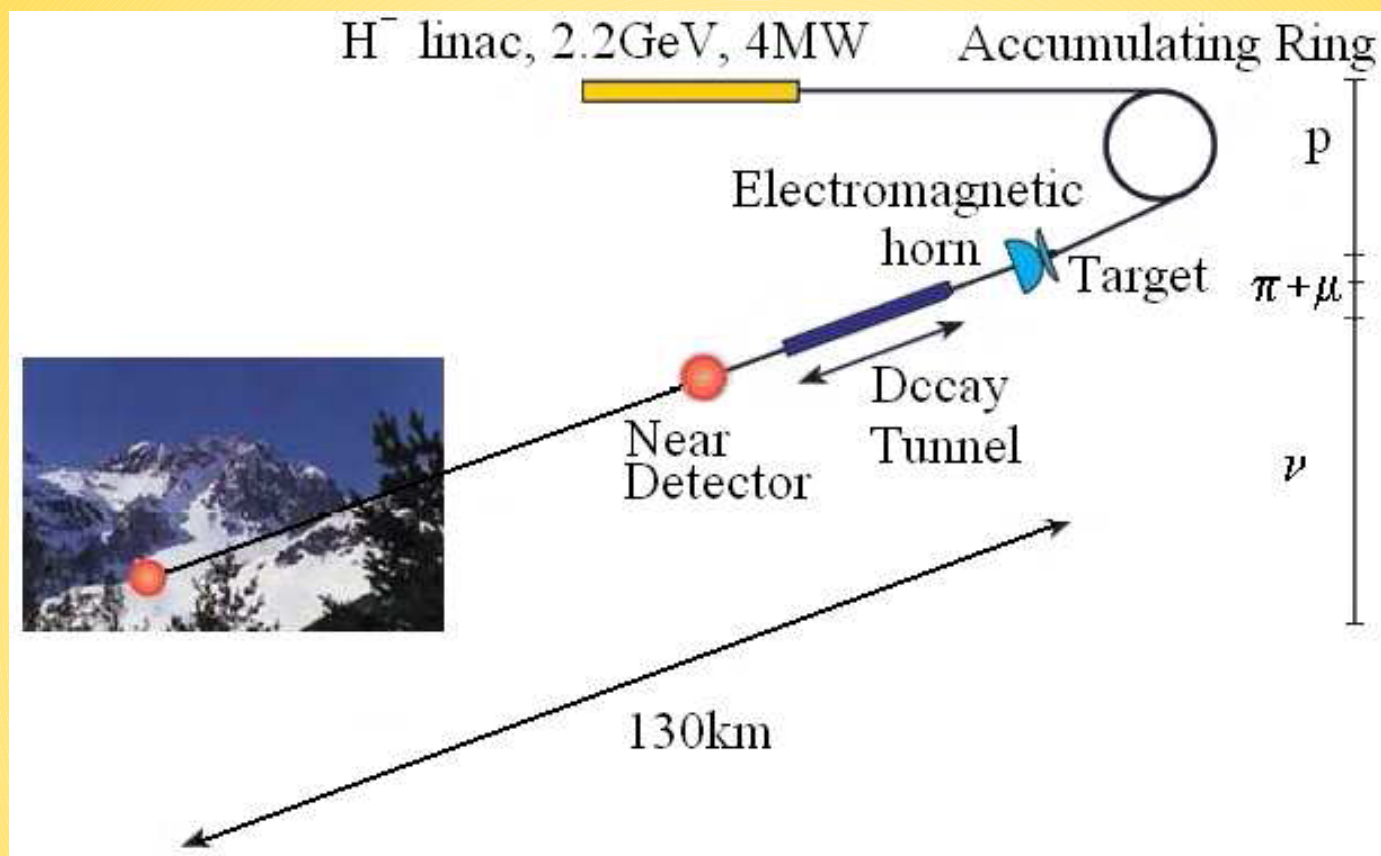
WP4: Beta-Beam

WP5: Detector Performance

WP6: Physics

More info at: www.euronu.org and in particular in the slides of the annual meeting held in CERN in march 2009:
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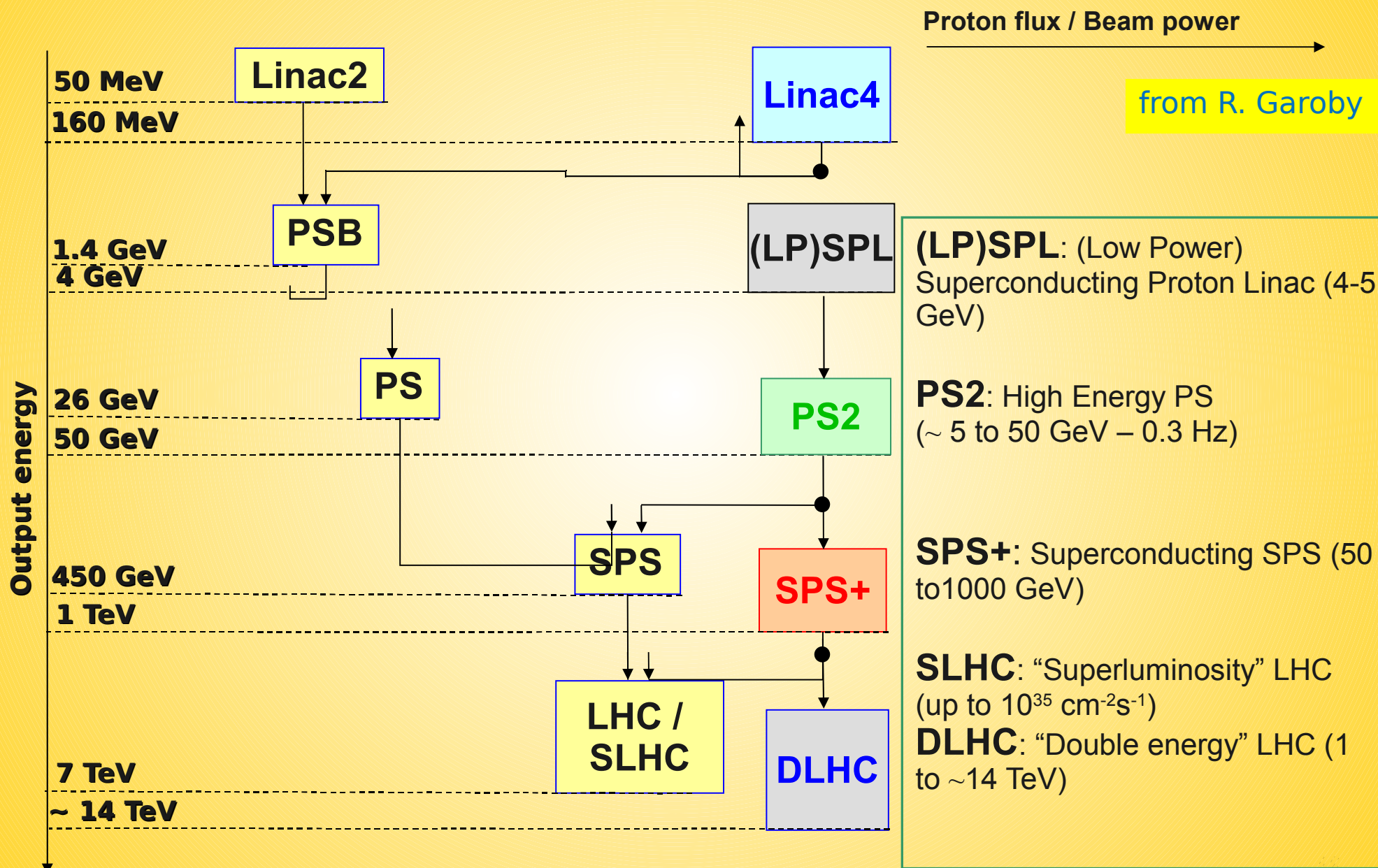
SPL- Frejus layout



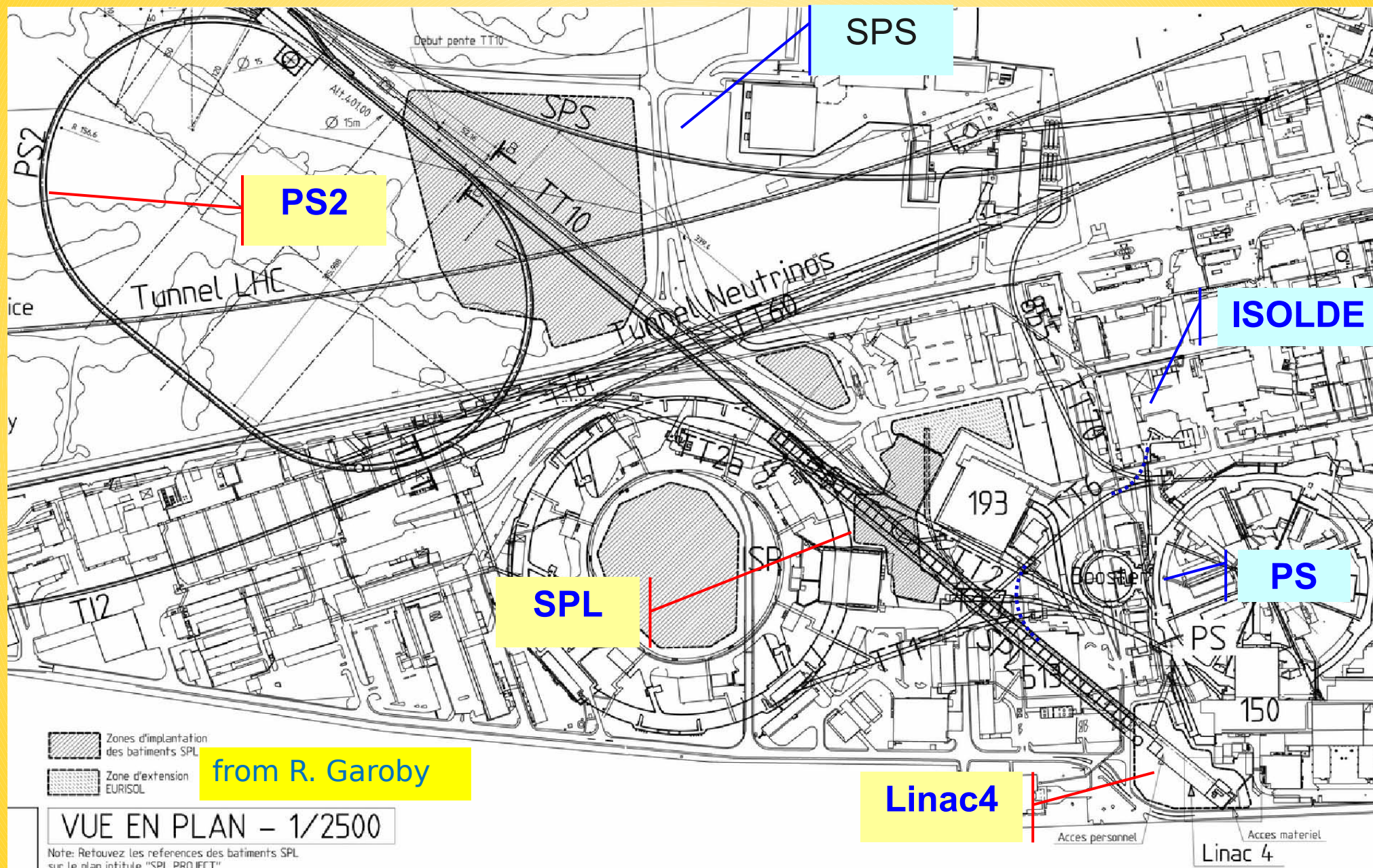
SPL (Superconducting Proton Linac) is already funded as part of the new injection chain for the LHC.

Far detector: a 440kton Cerenkov detector (MEMPHYS)

PLANS FOR FUTURE INJECTORS: Description



PLANS FOR FUTURE INJECTORS: Layout



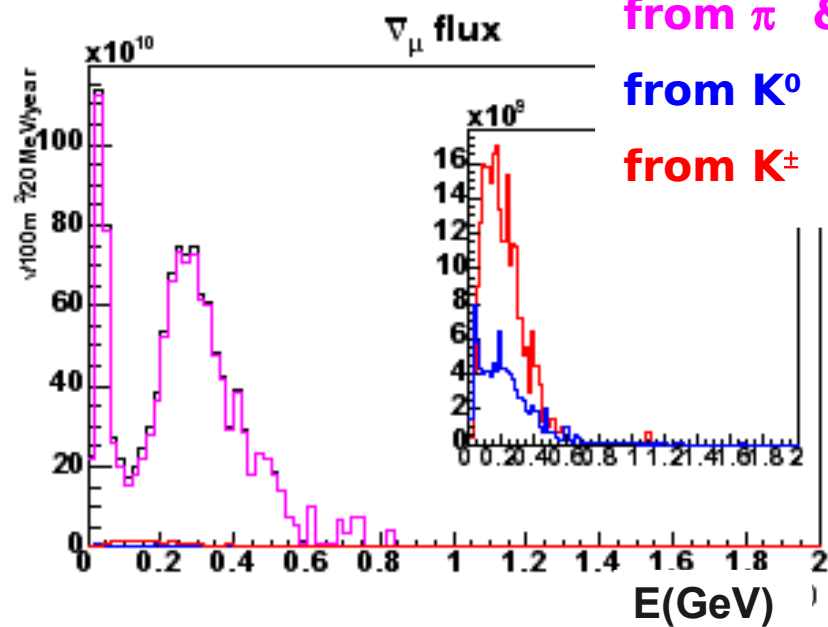
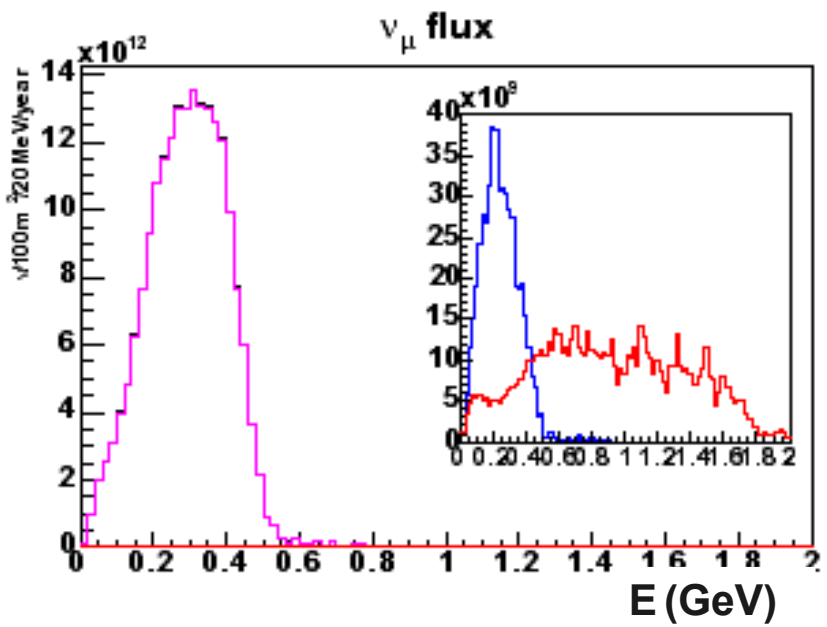
Neutrino fluxes at 100

$E_k = 3.5 \text{ GeV}$
 $E_\nu \sim 300 \text{ MeV}$
 $L = 40 \text{ m}, R = 2 \text{ m}$

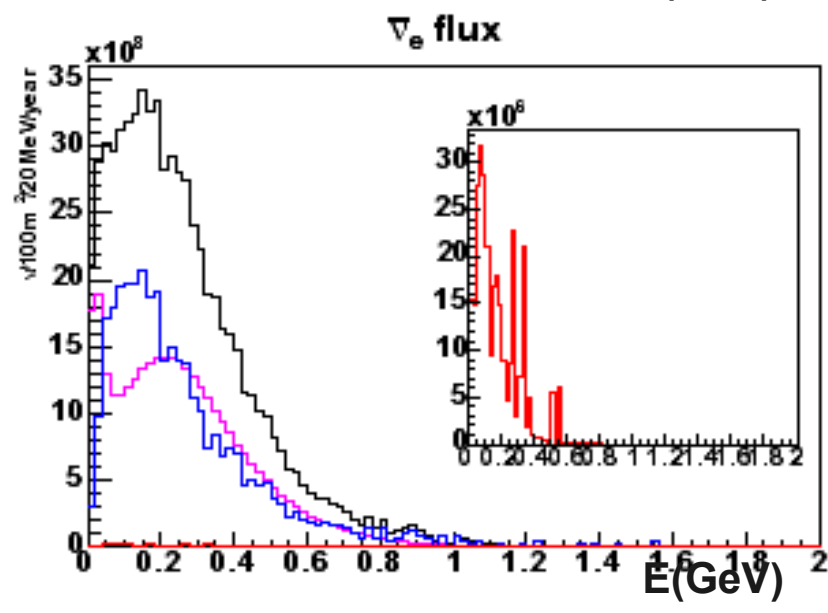
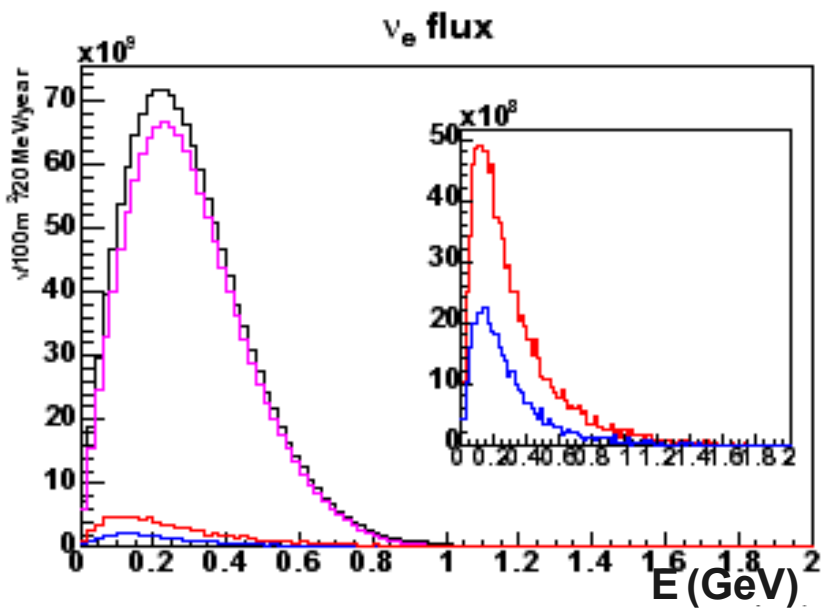
1 year := 10^7 s

π^+ focusing

$\nu/100 \text{ m}^2 / \text{year}$



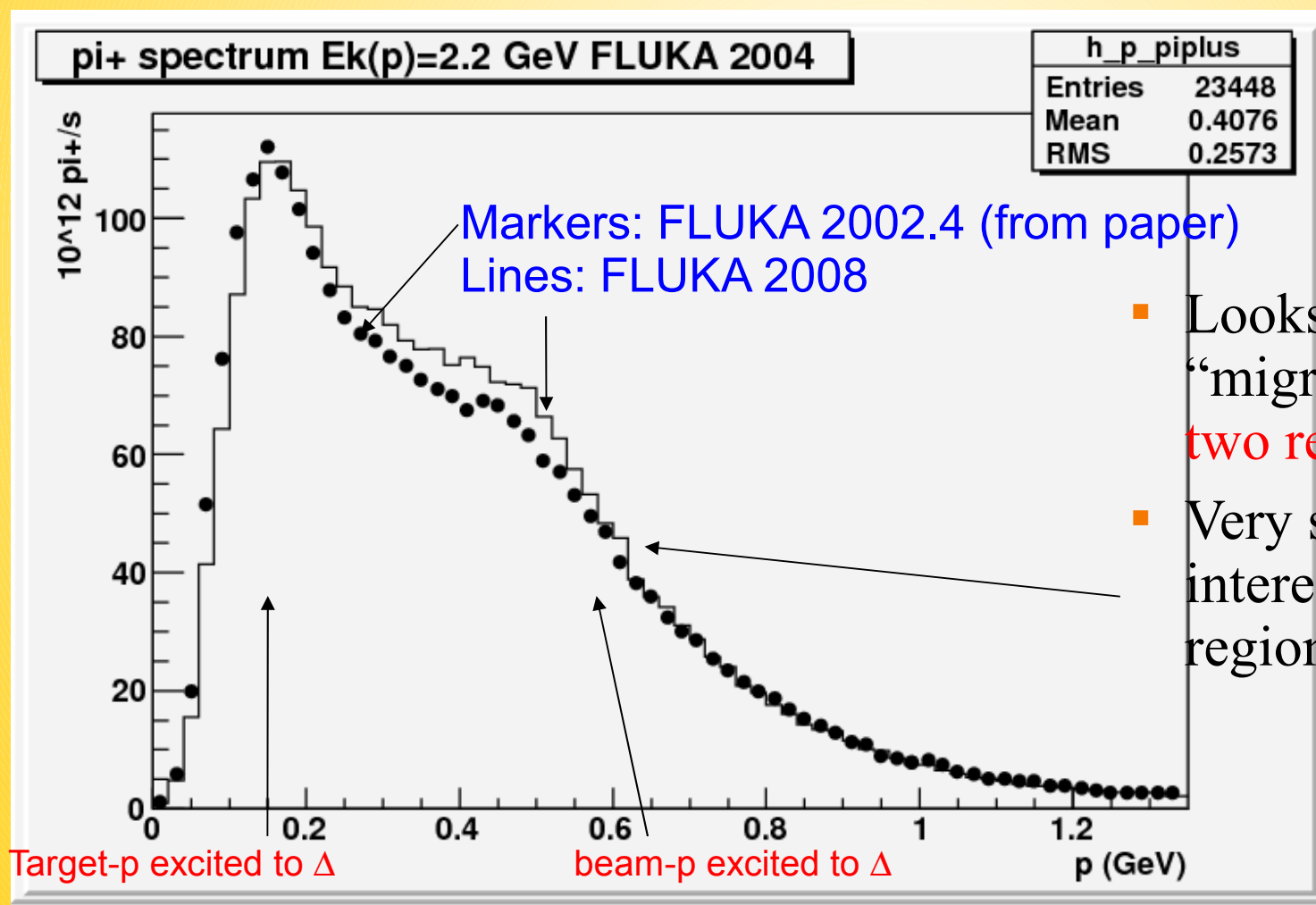
from π & μ
 from K^0
 from K^\pm



FLUKA 2008 vs FLUKA 2002.4

□ Momentum spectrum of π^+ exiting the target

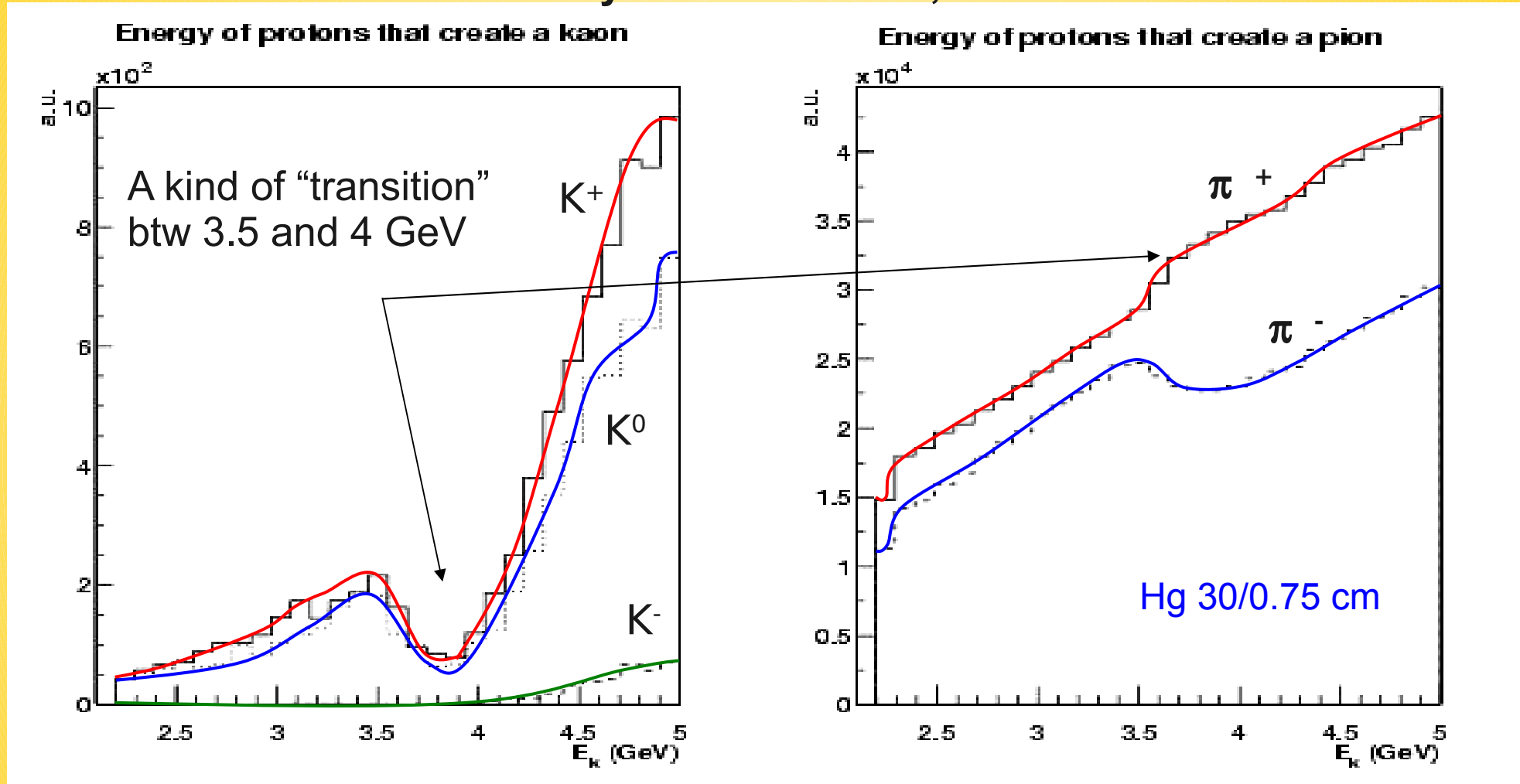
- $E_k(p) = 2.2$ GeV, Hg cylinder $L = 30$ cm, $r = 0.75$ cm
- Normalization + shape comparison



- Looks like a kind of “migration” between the **two regions**
- Very similar in the interesting momentum region at ~ 600 MeV

Particle multiplicities: FLUKA 2002.4

Eur Phys J C45:643-657,2006



■ at 2.2 GeV :

■ 0.26 π^+/s

■ $0.8 \cdot 10^{-3} K^+/s$

■ at 3.5 GeV :

■ 0.29 π^+/s

■ $2.8 \cdot 10^{-3} K^+/s$

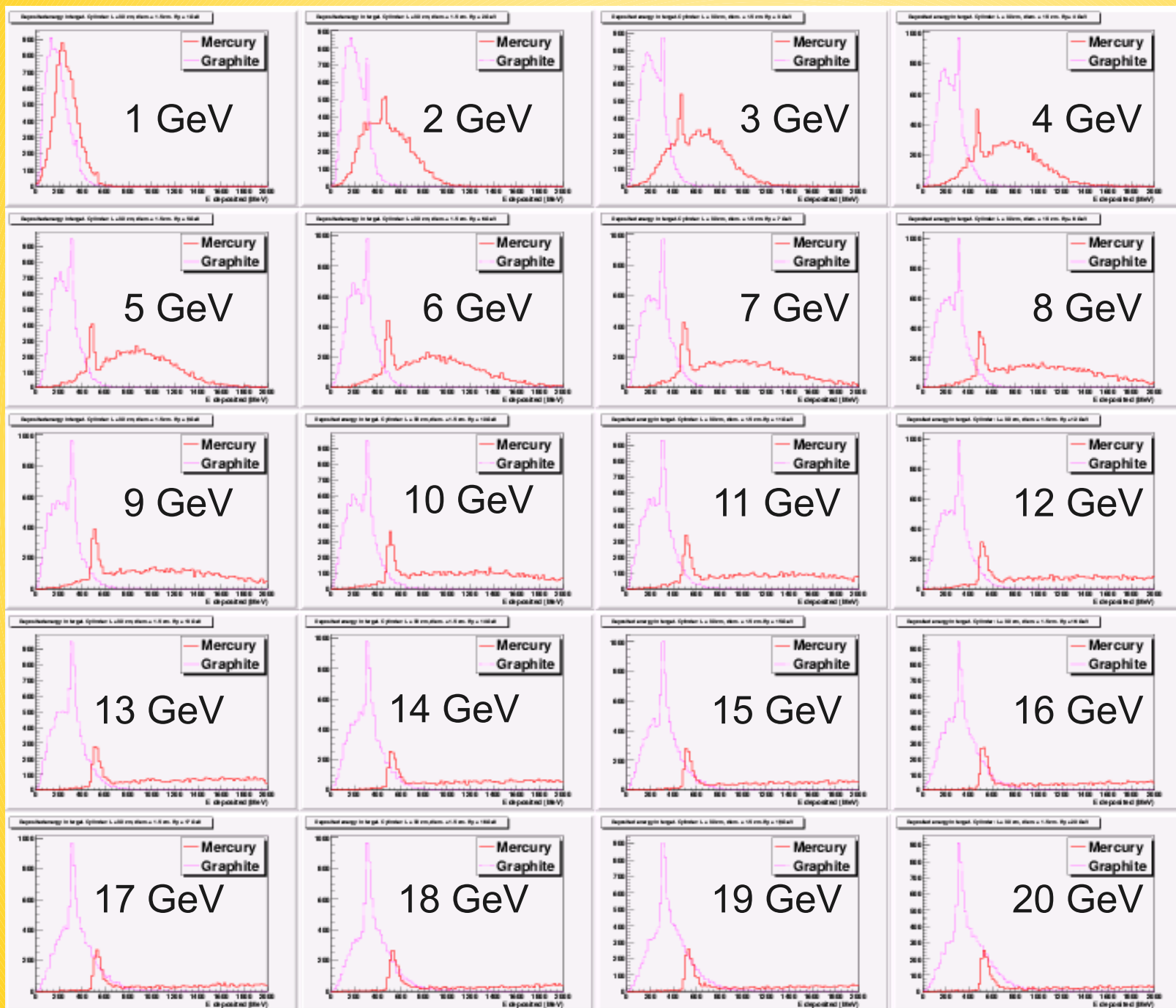
■ at 4.5 GeV :

■ 0.32 π^+/s

■ $5.2 \cdot 10^{-3} K^+/s$

Graphite-Mercury energy deposition: GEANT4

- Distribution of deposited energy in bins of $E_k(p)$ [1-20] GeV



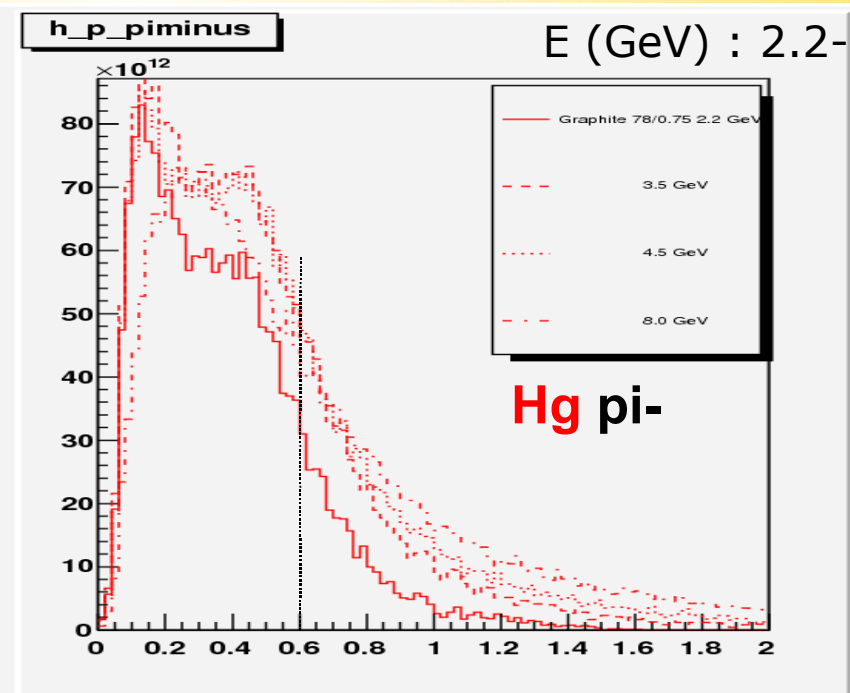
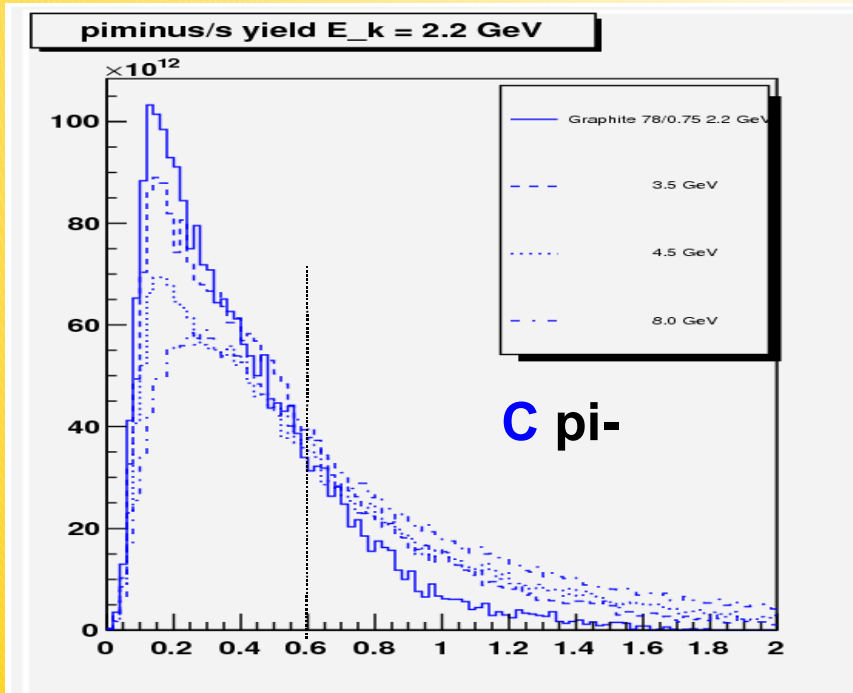
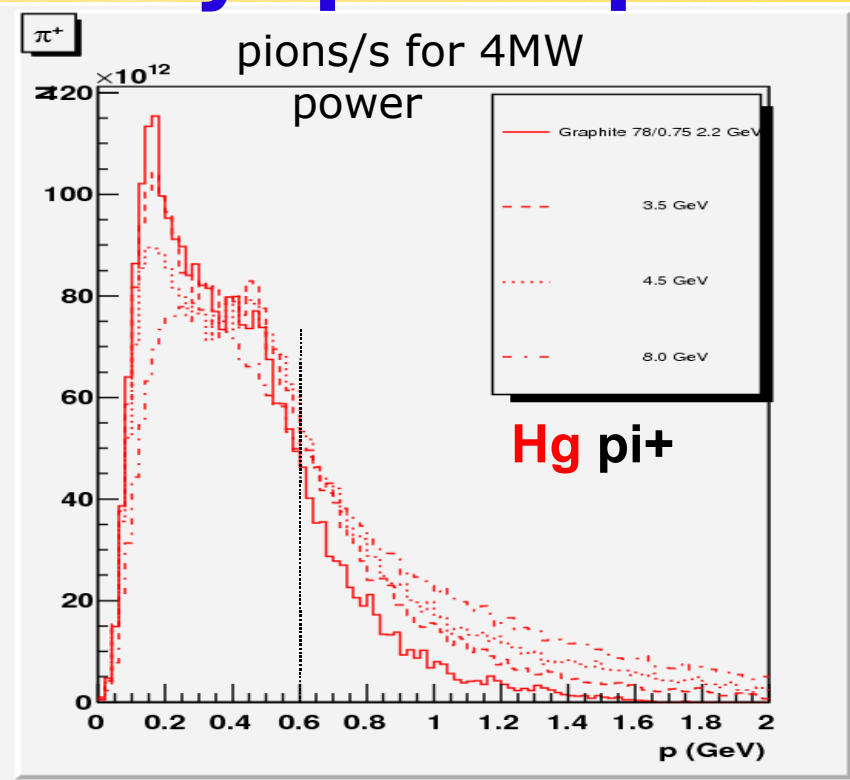
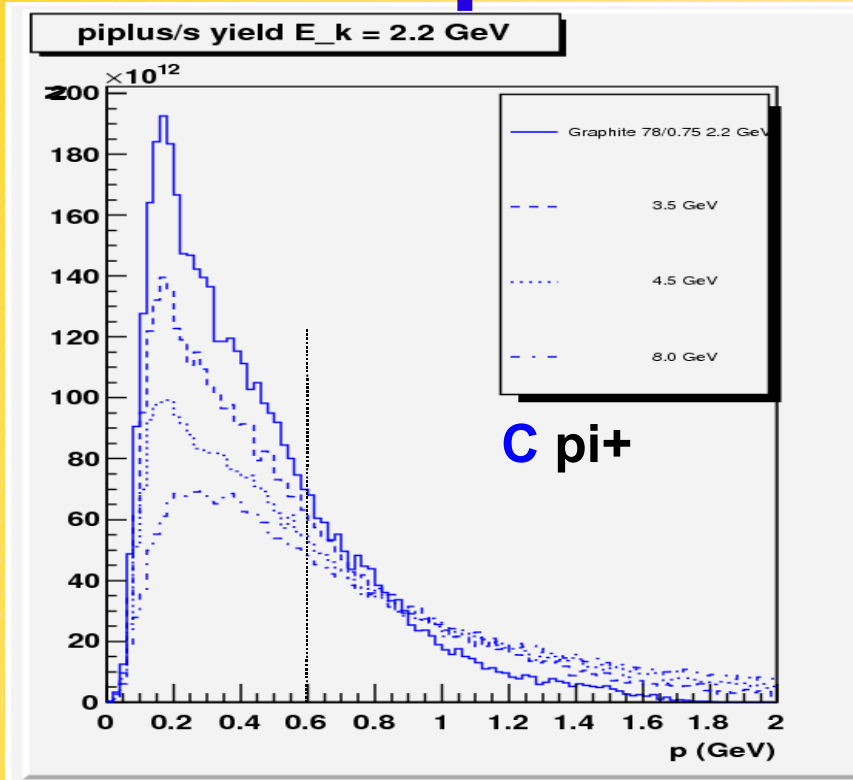
- GEANT4 (hadronic “QGSP physics list”)

Hg
C

x-axis: 0-2 GeV

peak: ionization
loss of elastic or
not-interacting p

Graphite-Mercury: pion spectra

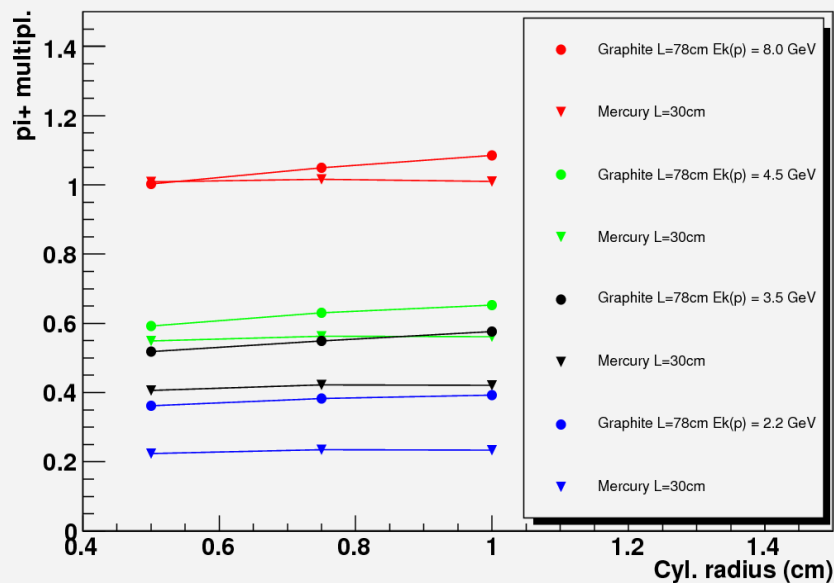


E (GeV) : 2.2-3.5-4.5-8.0

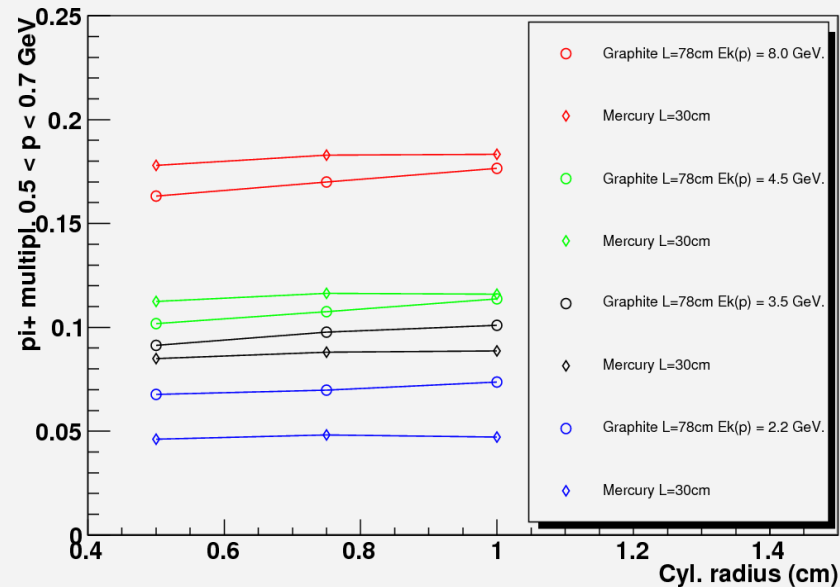
Effect of radius on pion multiplicities

- Not a major effect but pion yield from graphite would benefit of a larger target radius

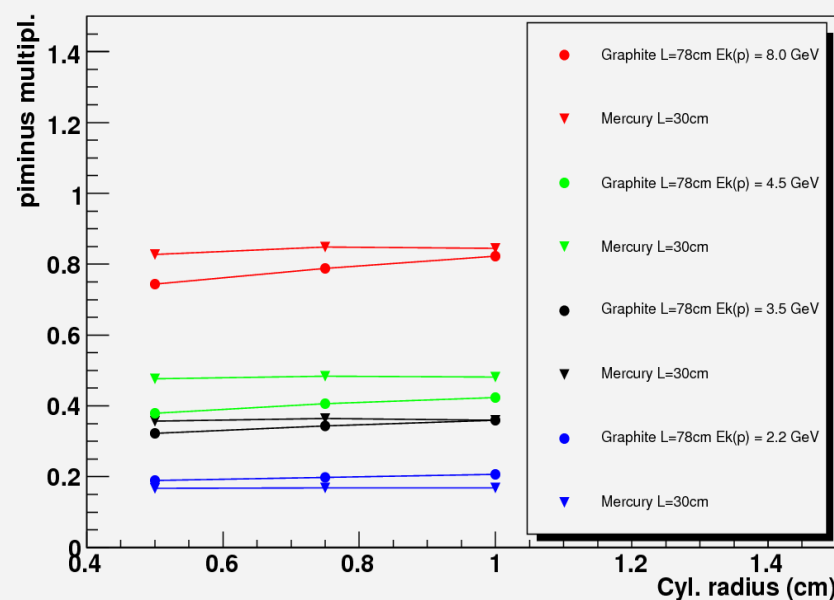
TOTAL π^+ multiplicities vs cyl.radius. $E_k(p) = 2.2 \rightarrow 8.0$ GeV



π^+ multiplicities vs cyl.radius. $0.5 < p < 0.7$ GeV. $E_k(p) = 2.2 \rightarrow 8.0$ GeV



TOTAL π^- multiplicities vs cyl.radius. $E_k(p) = 2.2 \rightarrow 8.0$ GeV



π^- multiplicities vs cyl.radius. $0.5 < p < 0.7$ GeV. $E_k(p) = 2.2 \rightarrow 8.0$ GeV

