



# DUNE-France Analysis workshop #2

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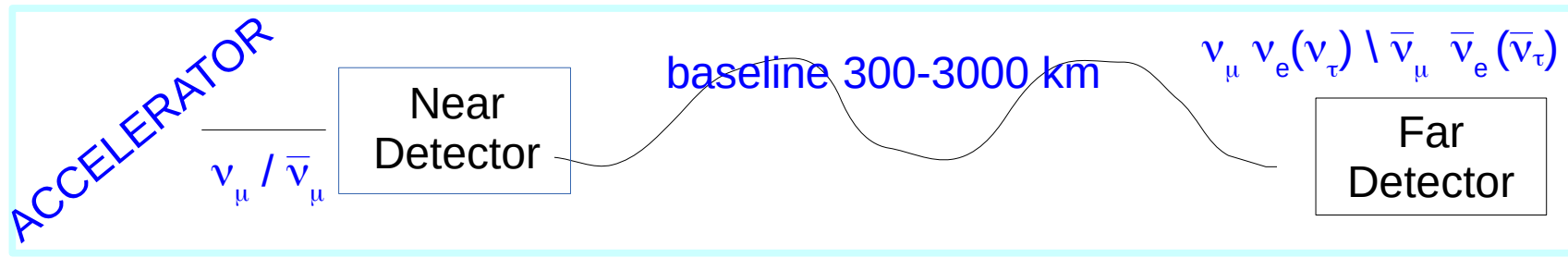
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## **Impact on Oscillation Measurement of Neutrino $\chi^2$ models**

→ focus on next steps: aka, how to get the neutrino energy right

# Oscillation analysis: the basics



$$N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD} \approx P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}} \times N_{\nu_\alpha}^{ND}$$

Number of **neutrinos at the Far Detector (FD)** of a given flavour  $\alpha'$  ( $\alpha=e,\mu,\tau$ )

Number of **neutrinos at the Near detector (ND)**

The **oscillation probability**  $\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}$ , which you want to estimate: it depends on the parameters you want to measure (long baseline experiments:  $\theta_{13}, \theta_{23}, \Delta m_{32}^2, \delta_{CP}$ )

# Dependence on neutrino energy

To extract the oscillation parameters, the oscillation probability must be evaluated **as a function of neutrino energy**, since the neutrino beams are not monochromatic:

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}}(E_\nu) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2\left(\frac{1.27 \Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4 E_\nu}\right)$$

→ we need to know the **number of neutrinos as a function of  $E_\nu$**  at near and far detectors

$$N_{\nu_\alpha}(E_\nu) = \phi(E_\nu) \times \sigma(E_\nu) dE_\nu$$

**flux** = number of neutrinos produced by the accelerator per  $\text{cm}^2$ , per bin of energy, for a given number of protons on target

$$\left[ \int \phi(E_\nu) dE_\nu \right] \equiv [\Phi] = [\text{cm}^{-2} \text{POT}^{-1}]$$

**cross-section** = probability of interaction of the neutrinos in the material of the detector

$$[\sigma] = [\text{cm}^2]$$

# Flux and cross-section

- So the oscillation probability becomes:

predicted number of neutrino interactions at the FD (w/o oscillations)

$$\frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} \approx P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}}(E_{\nu}) \times \frac{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu}) \sigma_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu}) \sigma_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})}$$

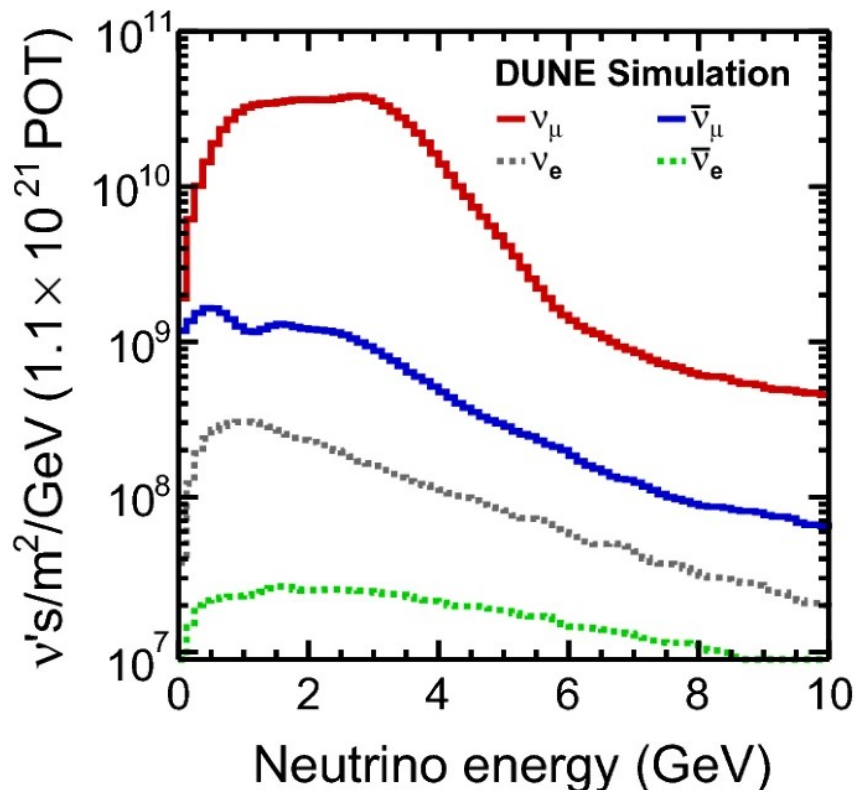
measured number of neutrino interactions at the ND

**We measure flux and xsec for  $\nu_{\alpha}$  (and  $\nu_{\alpha'}$ ) at the ND and we use our models to extrapolate at the far detector**

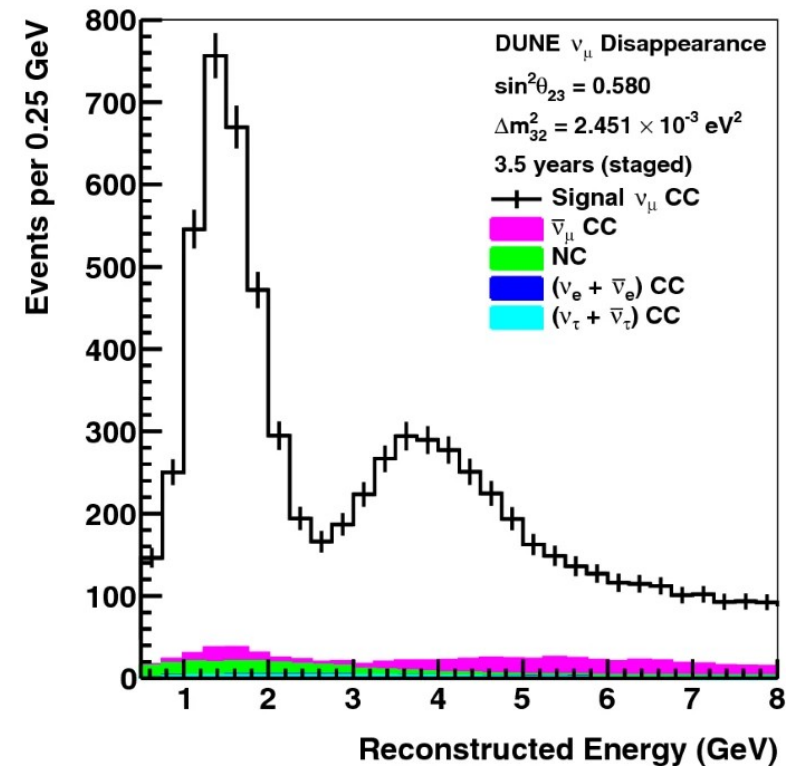
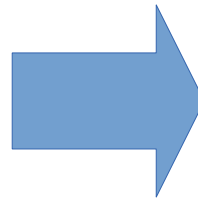
→ systematic minimized if same flux (eg, same off-axis angle) and same target material. But even in that case there are **intrinsic differences / problems which induce model dependency**

# ND $\rightarrow$ FD: different energy

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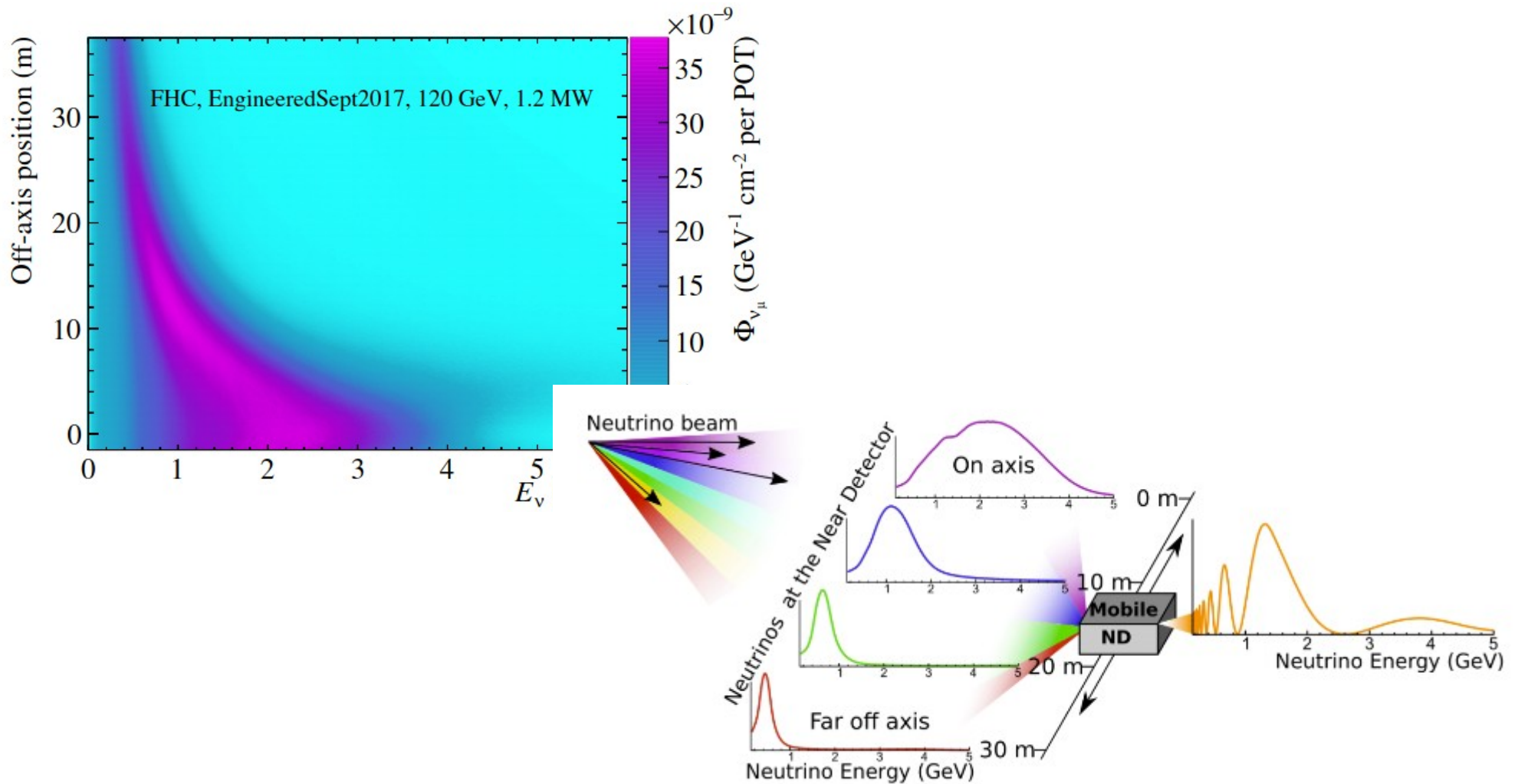


oscillation



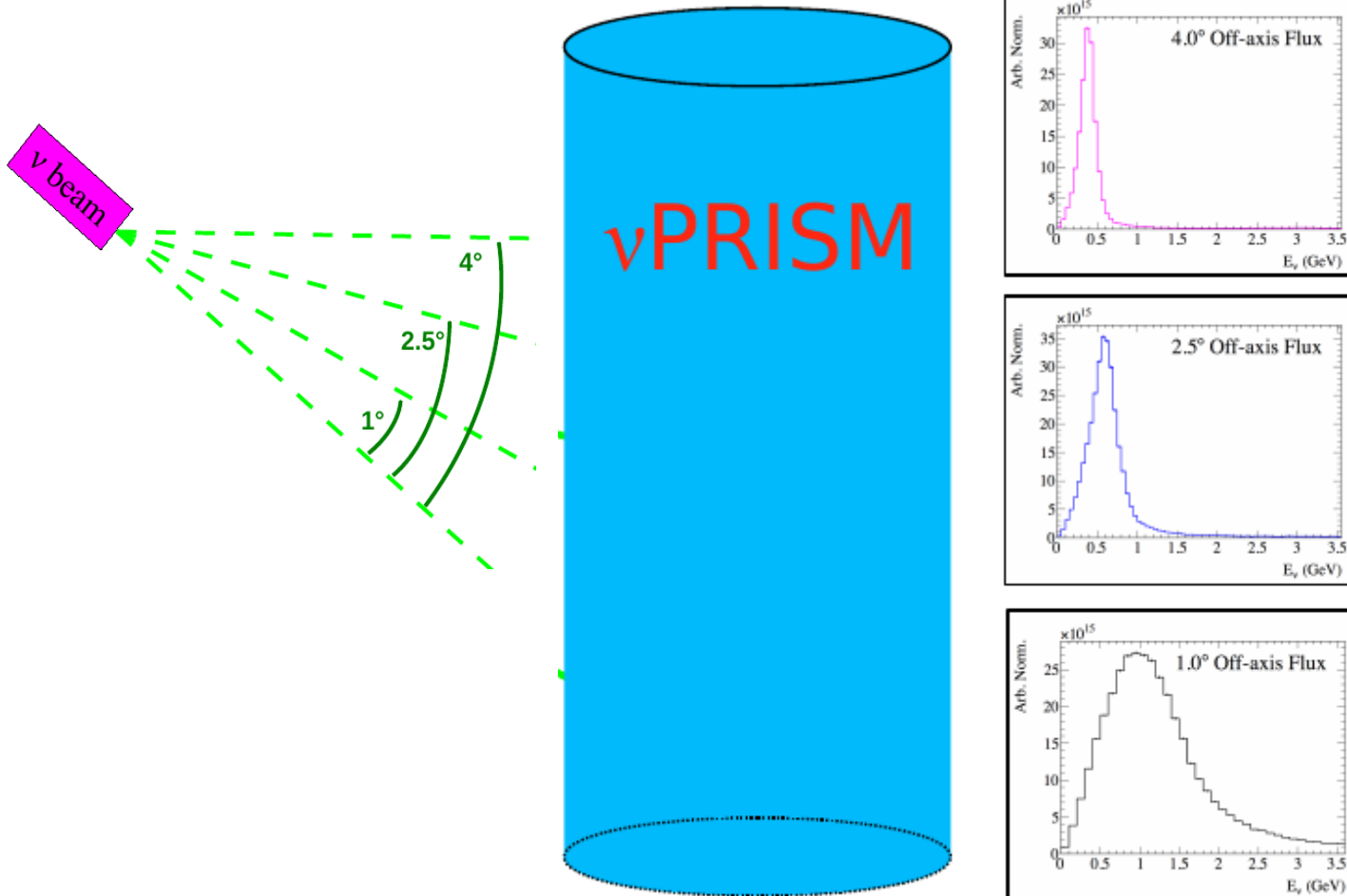
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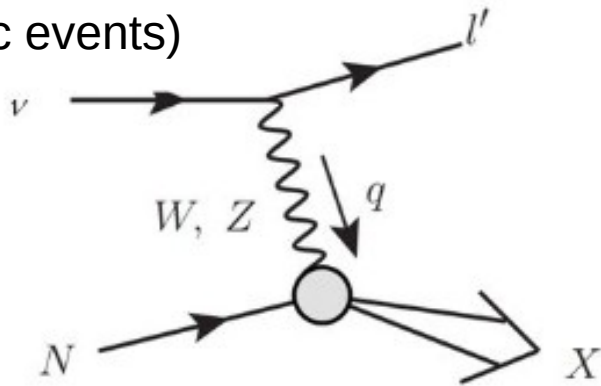


# ND → FD: acceptance

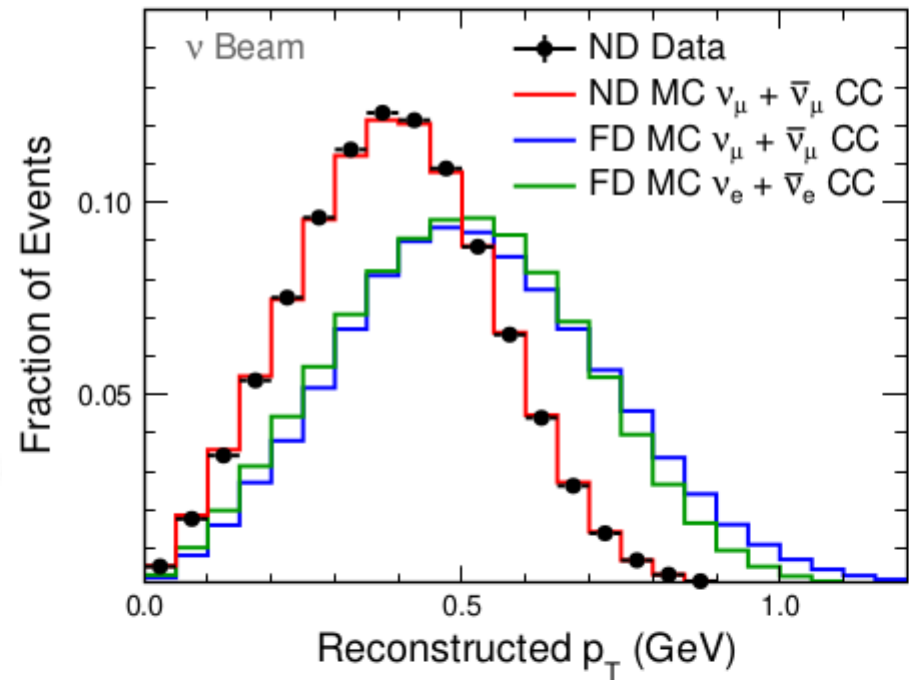
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Recent example from NOVA:

- Due to different detector size, the acceptance of ND and FD is different: transverse momentum of the muon is larger when larger energy/momentum transferred to the nucleus (more inelastic events)



Recent example from NOVA:



Need model-dependent efficiency corrections to extrapolate ND xsec to FD xsec

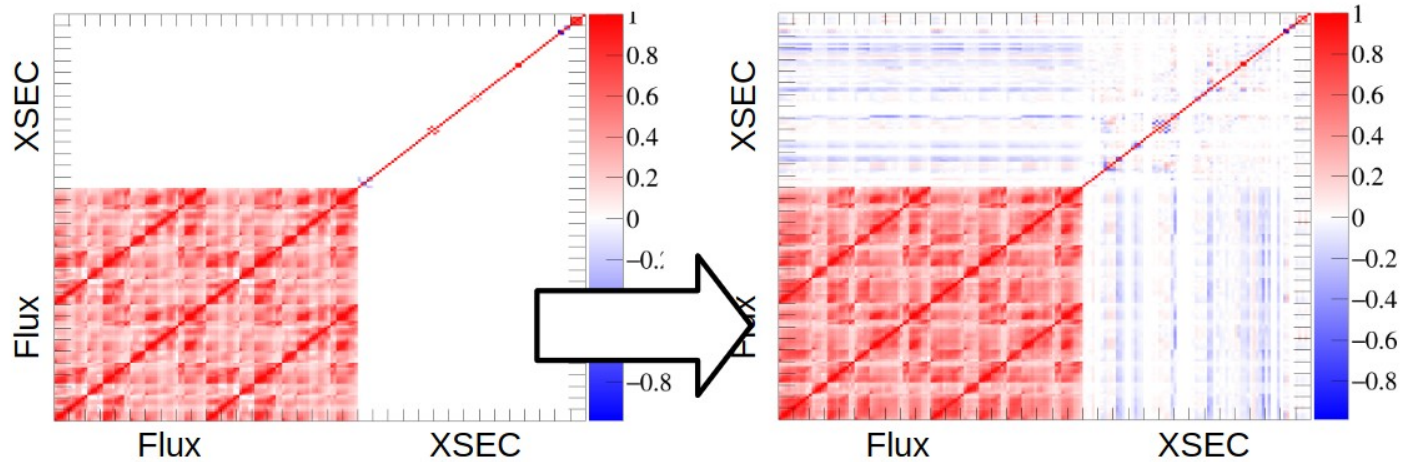


# ND → FD: flux-xsec anticorrelation

Flux and xsec extrapolation from ND to FD are different → we need to separately estimate flux and xsec at the ND

But we measure only the product of the two (strong anti-correlation between them)

Recent example from T2K:



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	Pre- ND fit	Post- ND fit
flux	~5%	~2.8-3.0%
cross-section	~10-15%	~3.5-3.8%
flux*xsec		~2.6-2.8%
Total (+ xsec not accessible at ND, SK detector)	~17%	~3.5-5%

- Today xsec uncertainties dominate before the fit
- strong anticorrelation between flux and xsec (would be ~5% if uncorrelated)

- flux\*xsec constitutes ~50% of the final systematic error budget

# Energy reconstruction

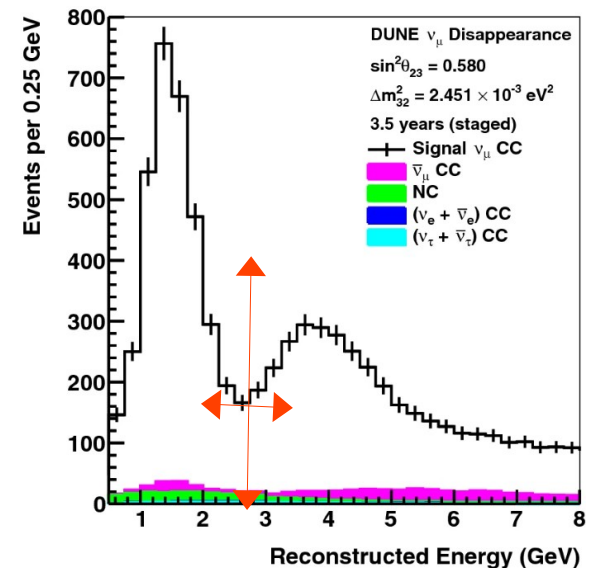
$$\frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} \approx \int P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}}(E_{\nu}^{true}) \times \frac{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} \times \frac{\sigma_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{\sigma_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} R(E_{\nu}^{true} - E_{\nu}) dE_{\nu}$$

From the detector observables ( $E_{rec}$ ="all" particles in the final state), we need to 'unfold' back to the true neutrino energy, to extract the oscillation parameters

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta}) = \underbrace{\sin^2(2\theta)}_{\text{amplitude}} \sin^2 \left( \underbrace{1.27 \frac{\Delta m_{ji}^2 [\text{eV}^2] L [\text{km}]}{E_{\nu} [\text{GeV}]} }_{\text{frequency}} \right) \quad (\text{simplified 2-flavors approximation})$$

- $\sin\theta_{23} \sim$  amplitude of the  $\nu_{\mu}$  ( $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ ) disappearance (height of spectrum minimum)
- $\Delta m_{31(32)}^2 \sim$  frequency of the disappearance (position of spectrum minimum)

Target:  $\sim 2\%$  precision on normalization,  $\sim 1\%$  precision on energy scale



# $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance: $\delta_{CP}$ measurement

Search for CPV and measuring dCP are two very different experimental targets.  
Prospects for dCP precision ~10-15 degrees from each experiment of next generation

$$A_{CP} \equiv \frac{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)} \simeq -\frac{\sin 2\theta_{12} \sin \delta}{\sin \theta_{13} \tan \theta_{23}} \Delta_{21} + \text{matter effects},$$

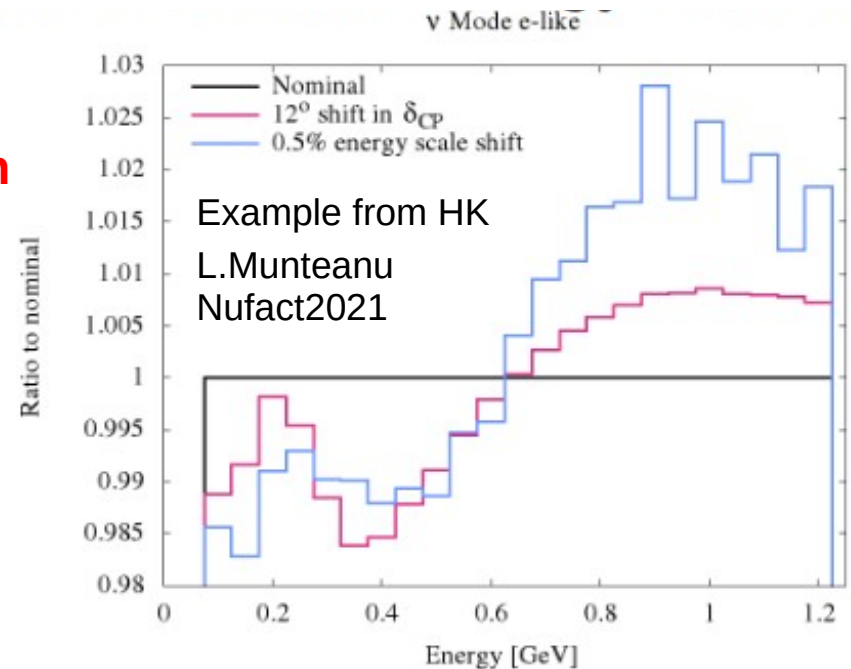
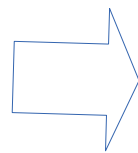
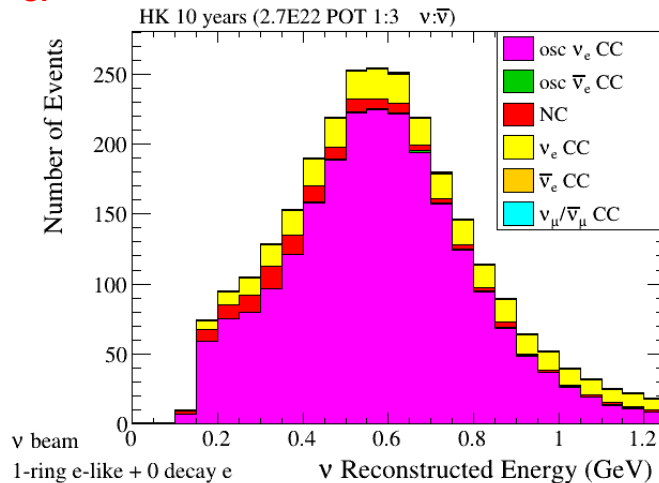
Actually at second order:

$$P_{\text{appearance}} \sim \pm A \sin \delta + B \cos \delta + \dots \quad \xrightarrow{\text{detailed formula}} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$P_{\text{long-baseline}} \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \Delta \mp \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin^3 \Delta + \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \cos \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \Delta \sin^2 \Delta + \alpha^2 \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta$$

$$\text{with } \alpha \equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{23}^2 \text{ and } \Delta \equiv \Delta m_{31}^2 L / (4E_\nu).$$

- At  $\delta_{CP} \sim \pm \pi/2$  the precision on  $\delta_{CP}$  ( $\sim P_{\text{app}}$  derivative vs  $\delta_{CP}$ ) is dominated by the second term: **precise energy spectrum measurement ( $\cos \delta_{CP}$  dependance) dominate the resolution**



# Model dependency

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Even if the PRISM approach minimize the impact of important systematic uncertainties (notably, obtaining a virtually identical ND and FD energy spectrum)

There are still **intrinsic model-dependent systematics** due to

- difference between ND and FD (eg, acceptance)  
(and it is impossible to separate flux and xsec from ND data)

- neutrino energy 'unfolding'  
(I will mostly focus on this aspect on the following...)

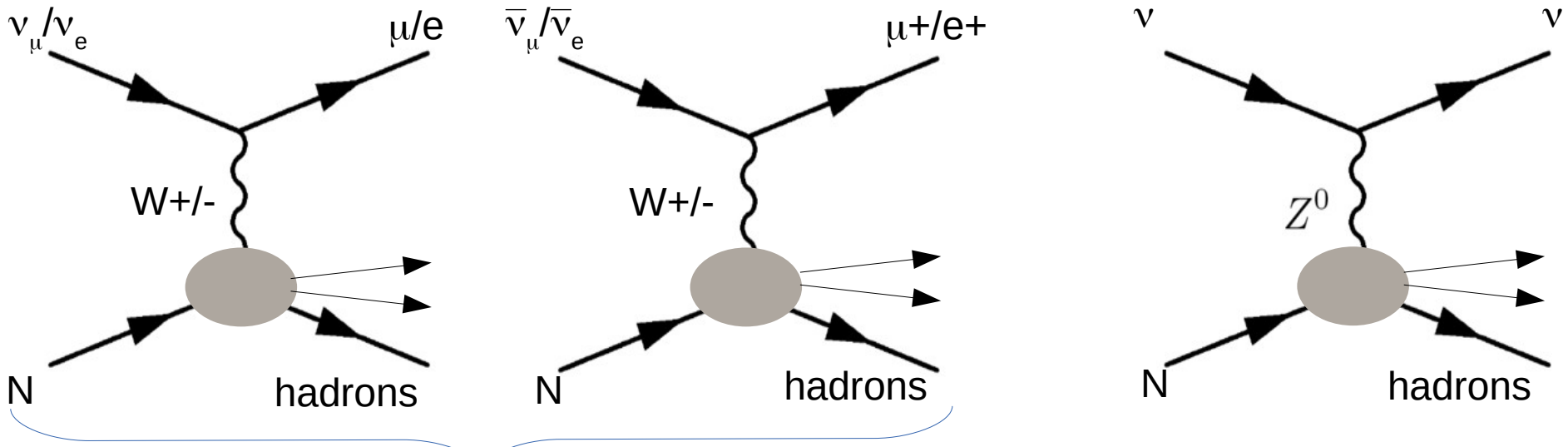
**Need of a good model of xsec and flux to minimize these residual systematics**

# Neutrino cross-section and neutrino energy reconstruction

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# Neutrino “signal” and “background”

Neutrino can interact with target nucleons in our detector materials



## Charged Current (CC) main signal:

- outgoing lepton well visible in the detector to tag interactions → allow to **identify the incoming neutrino flavour and 'charge'**
- full final state can be reconstructed in the detector → allow to **estimate the incoming neutrino energy**

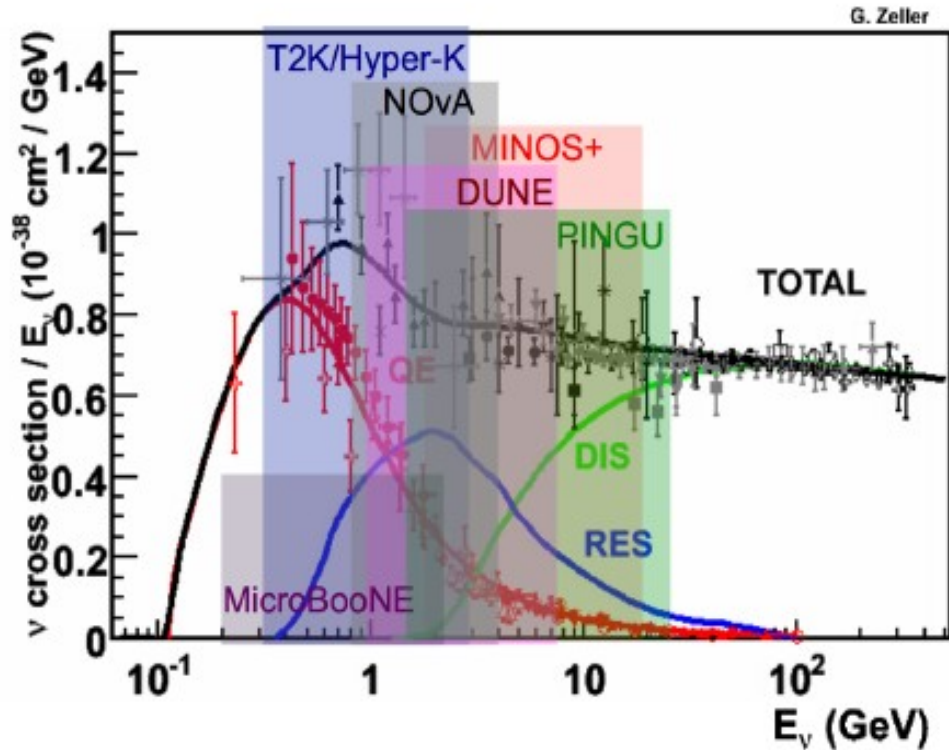
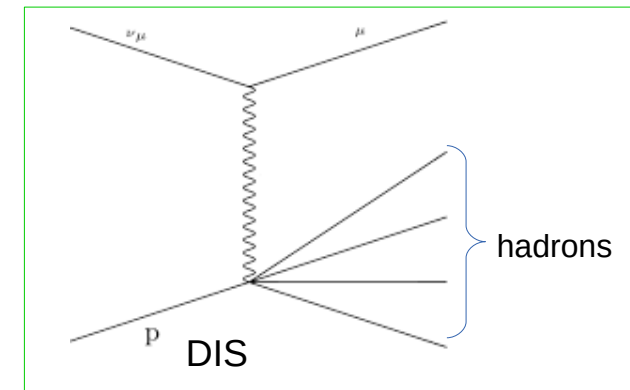
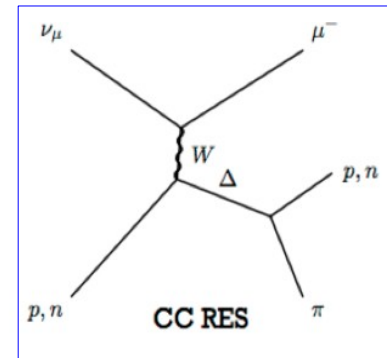
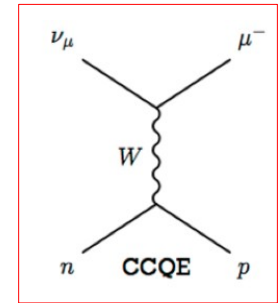
(in realistic detectors this actually relies on various approximations)

## Neutral Current (NC) background

Sometimes the outgoing hadrons can be misidentified as lepton in the detector → background that need to be estimated and subtracted from data distributions

(I will discuss CC but everything can be 'easily' extended to NC)

# $\sigma$ vs $E_\nu$ for different processes

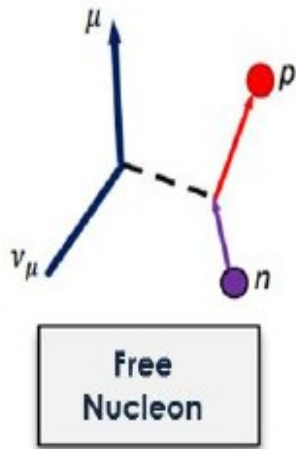


- **QE = Quasi-Elastic**
- **RES = Pion production** in the final state through excitation of the nucleon to a resonant state
- **DIS (Deep Inelastic Scattering)** = the nucleon is broken → probing the quark structure of the nucleons → shower of hadrons

$$N_{FD}^{\nu'} = \int \Phi^\nu(E_\nu) P_{osc}^{\nu \rightarrow \nu'}(E_\nu) \frac{d\sigma^{\nu'}}{dE_\nu} dE_\nu$$

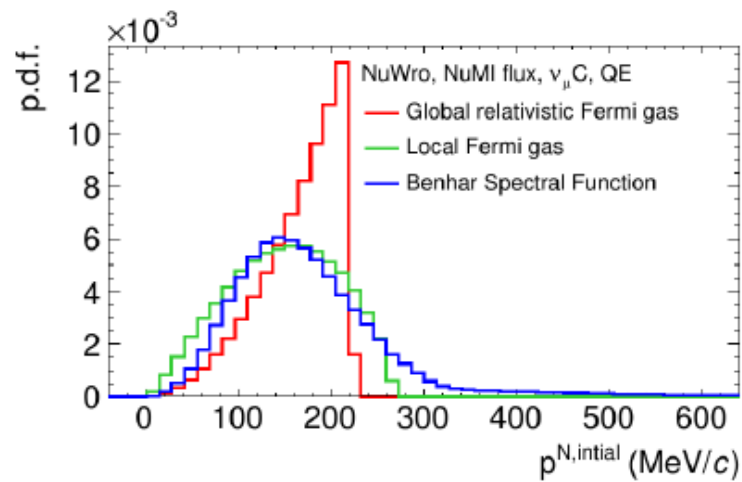
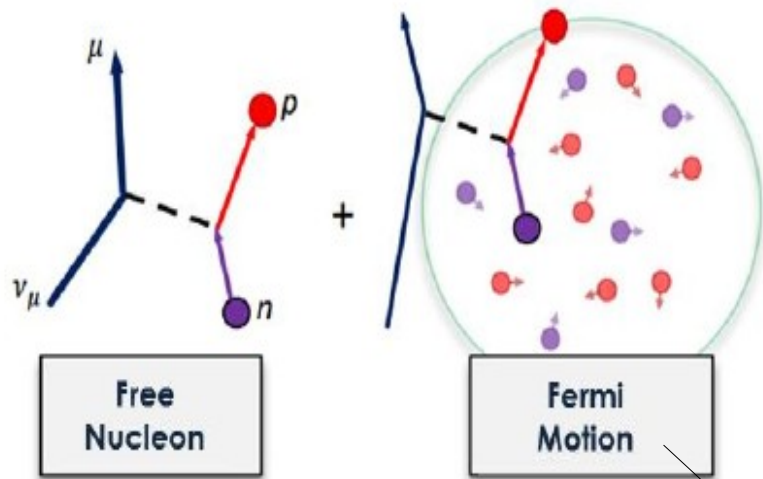
Need to propagate the xsec from ND to FD: **each process has a different  $E_\nu$  dependence, different resolution and acceptance effects** → need to know the xsec of each process separately

# Nuclear effects

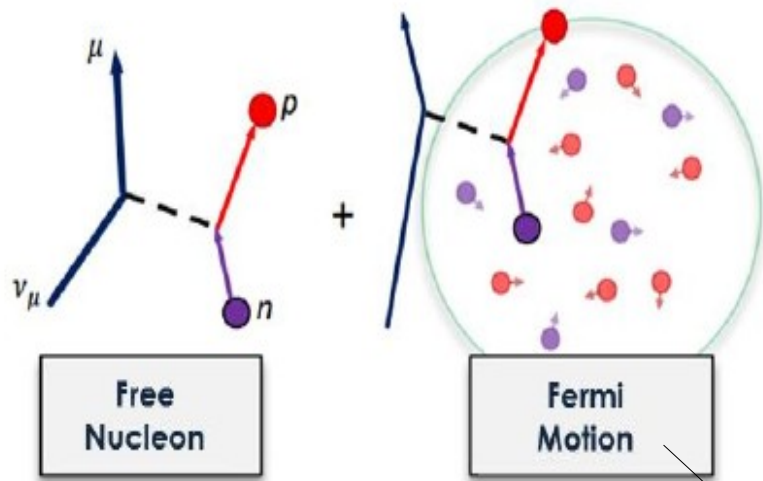




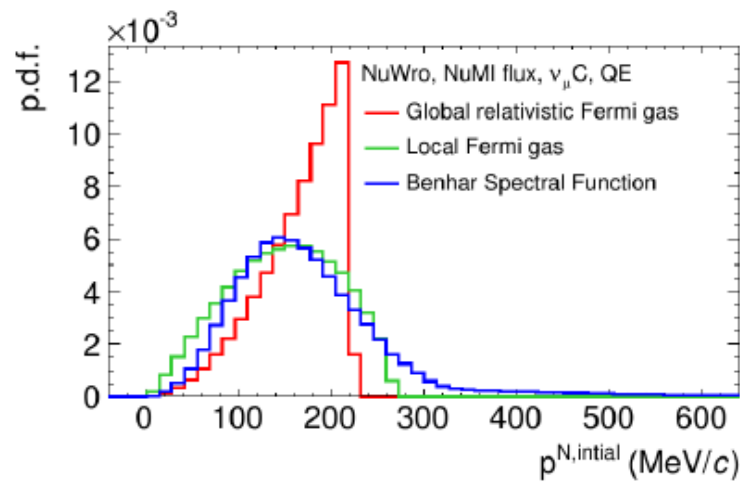
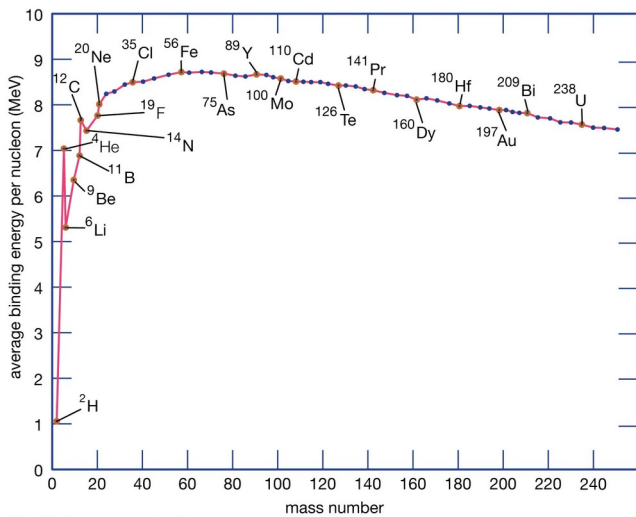
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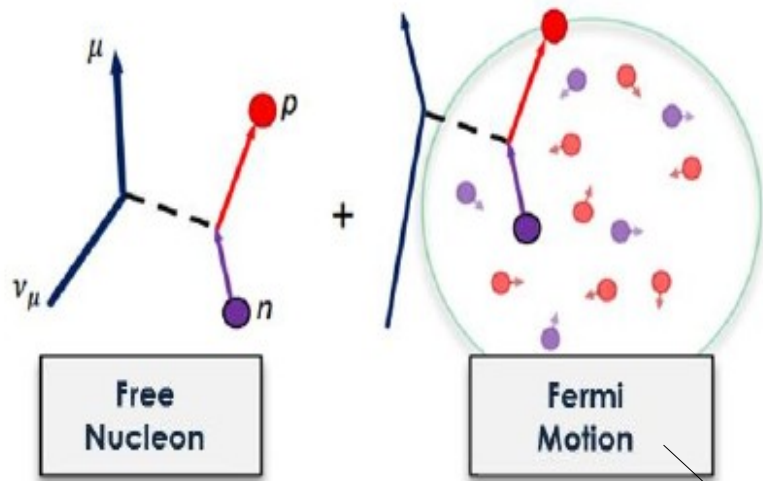
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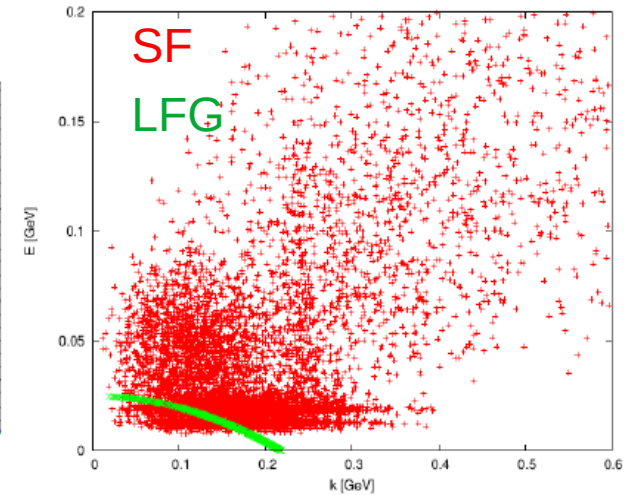
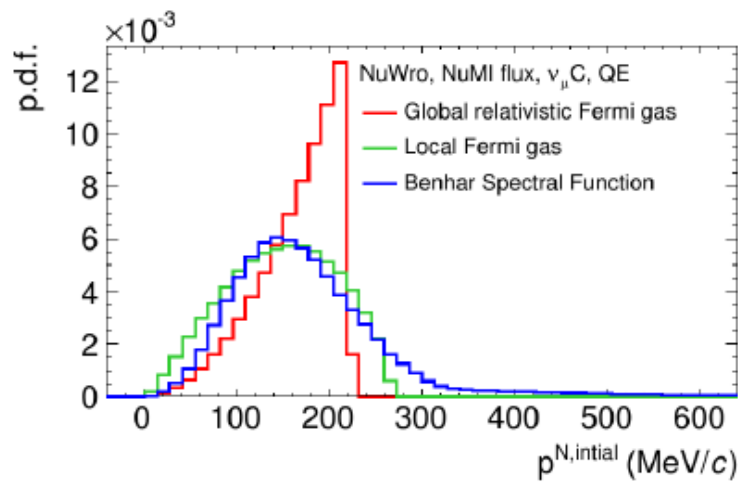
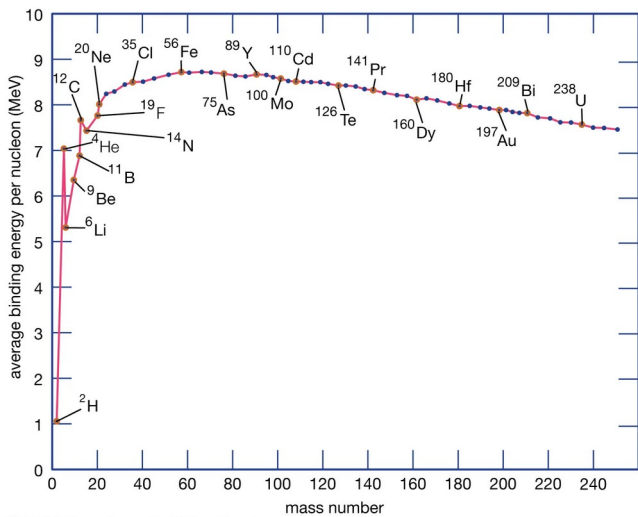
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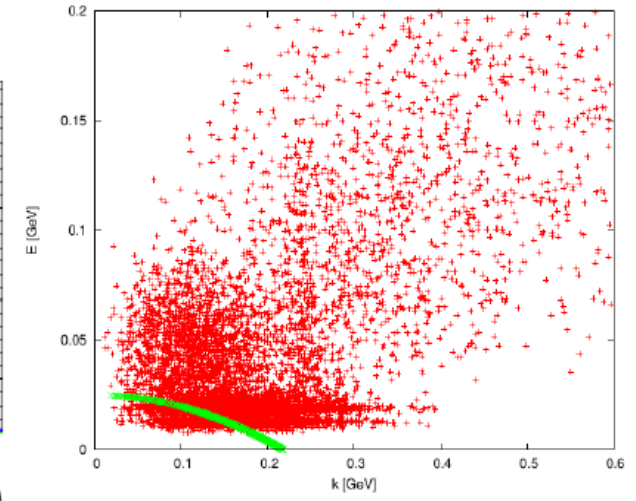
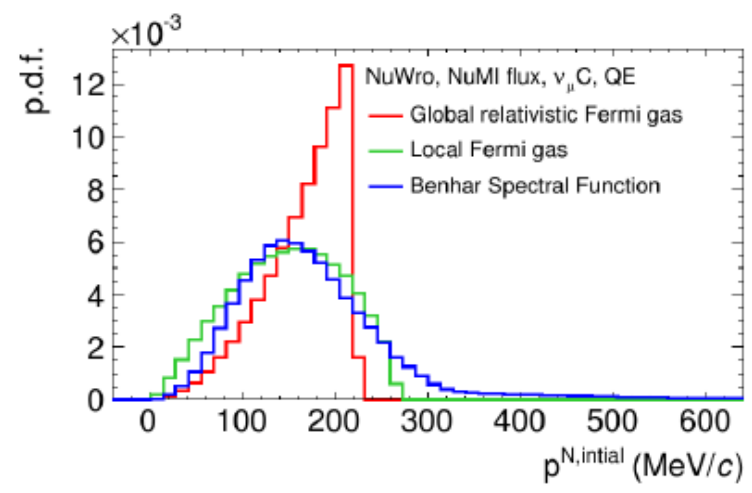
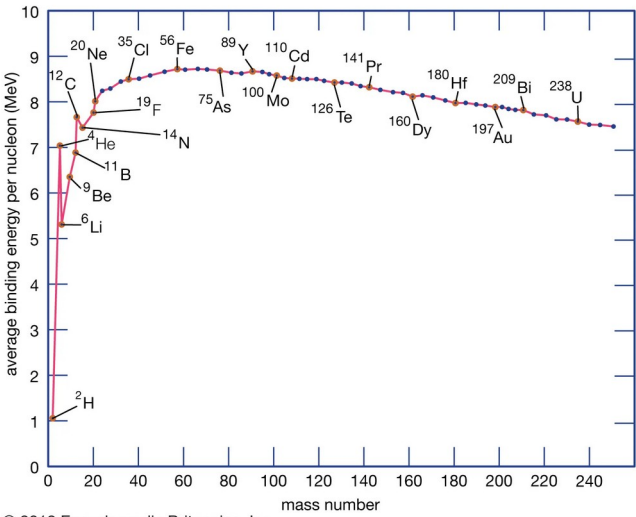
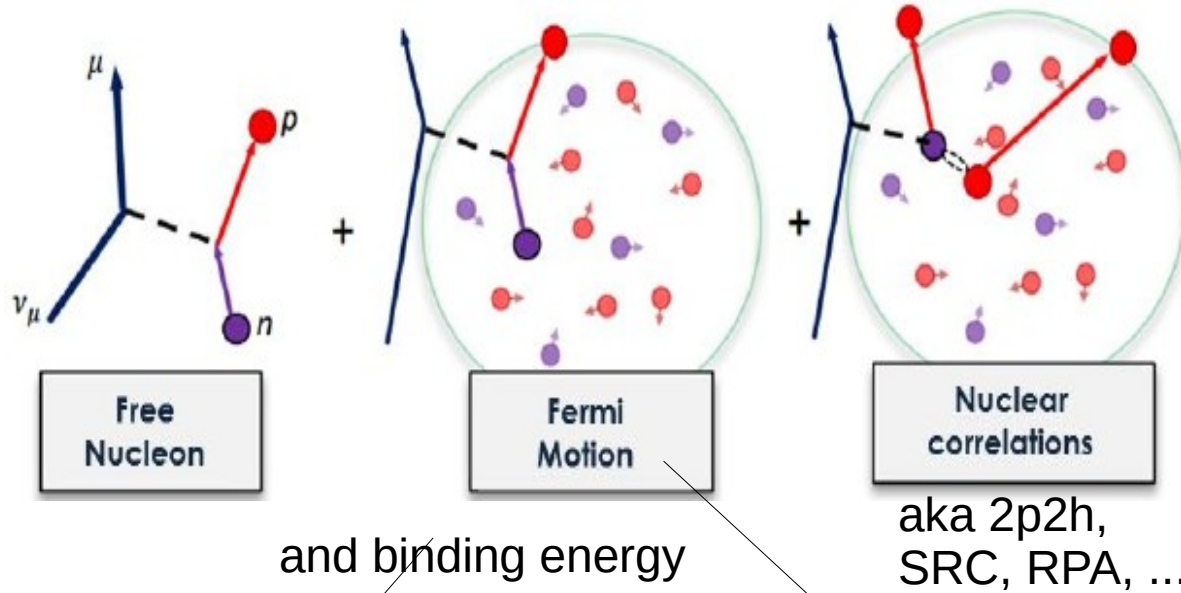
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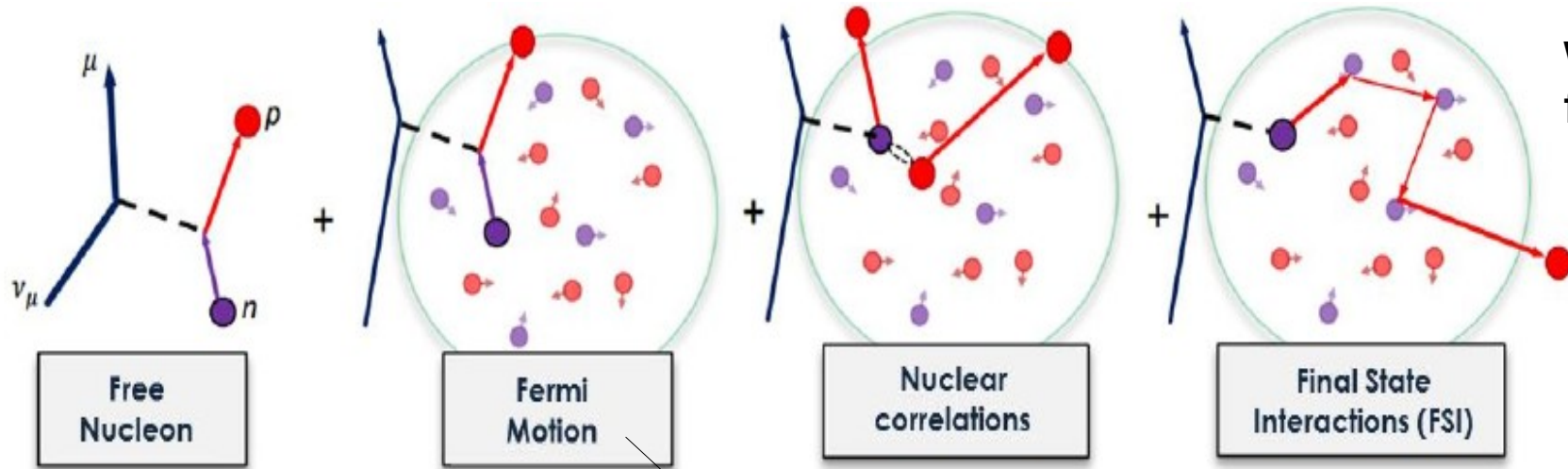
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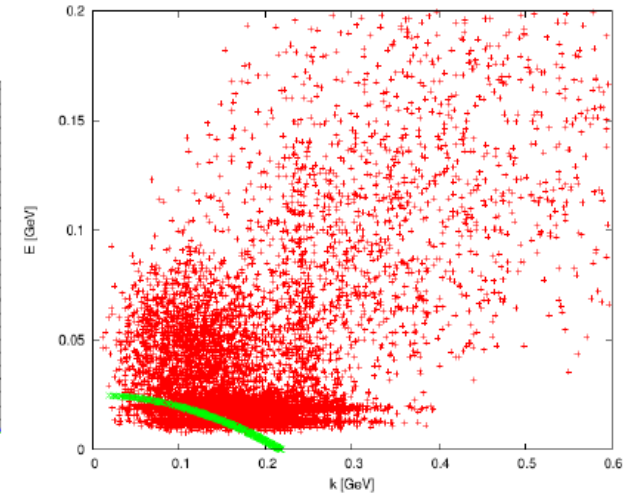
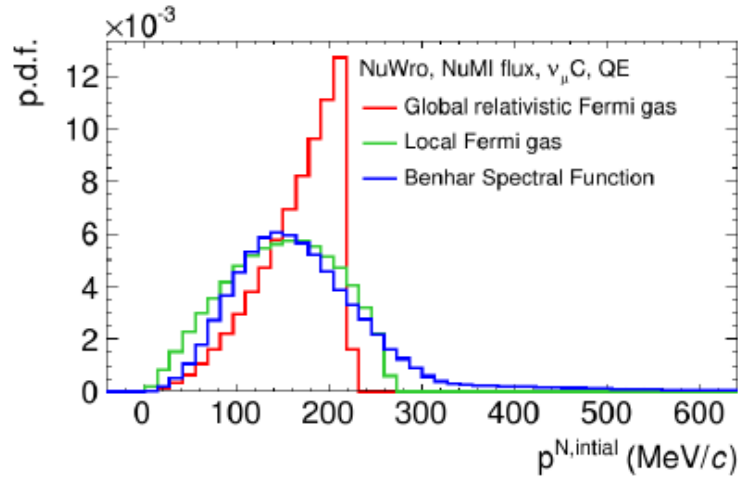
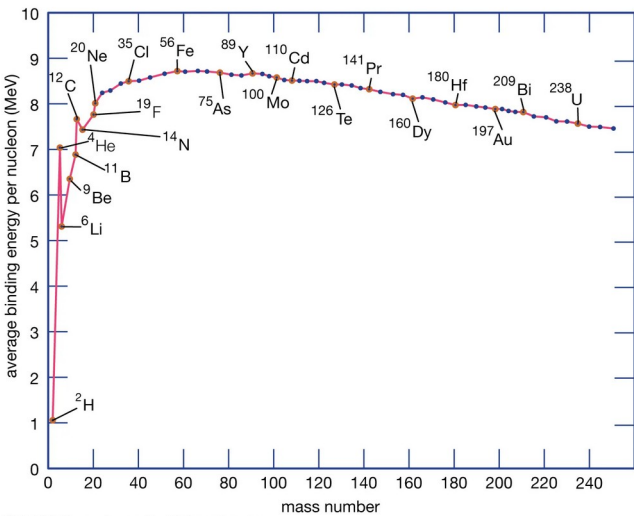
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We assume factorization!

and binding energy

aka 2p2h, SRC, RPA, ...

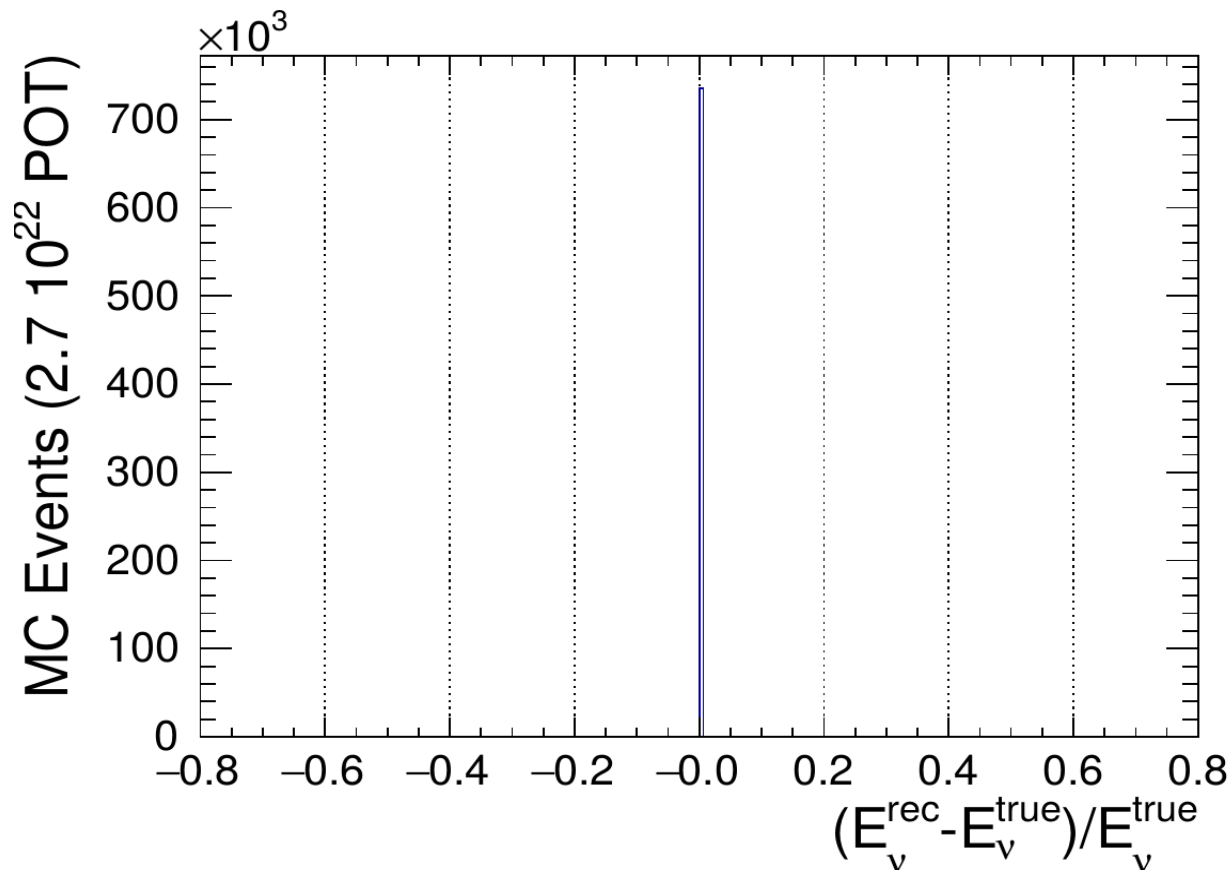


# Inclusive energy reconstruction: lepton only

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CCQE formula:

$E_\nu$  calculated from muon only kinematics is a perfect estimator for **elastic scattering on a free nucleon at rest**

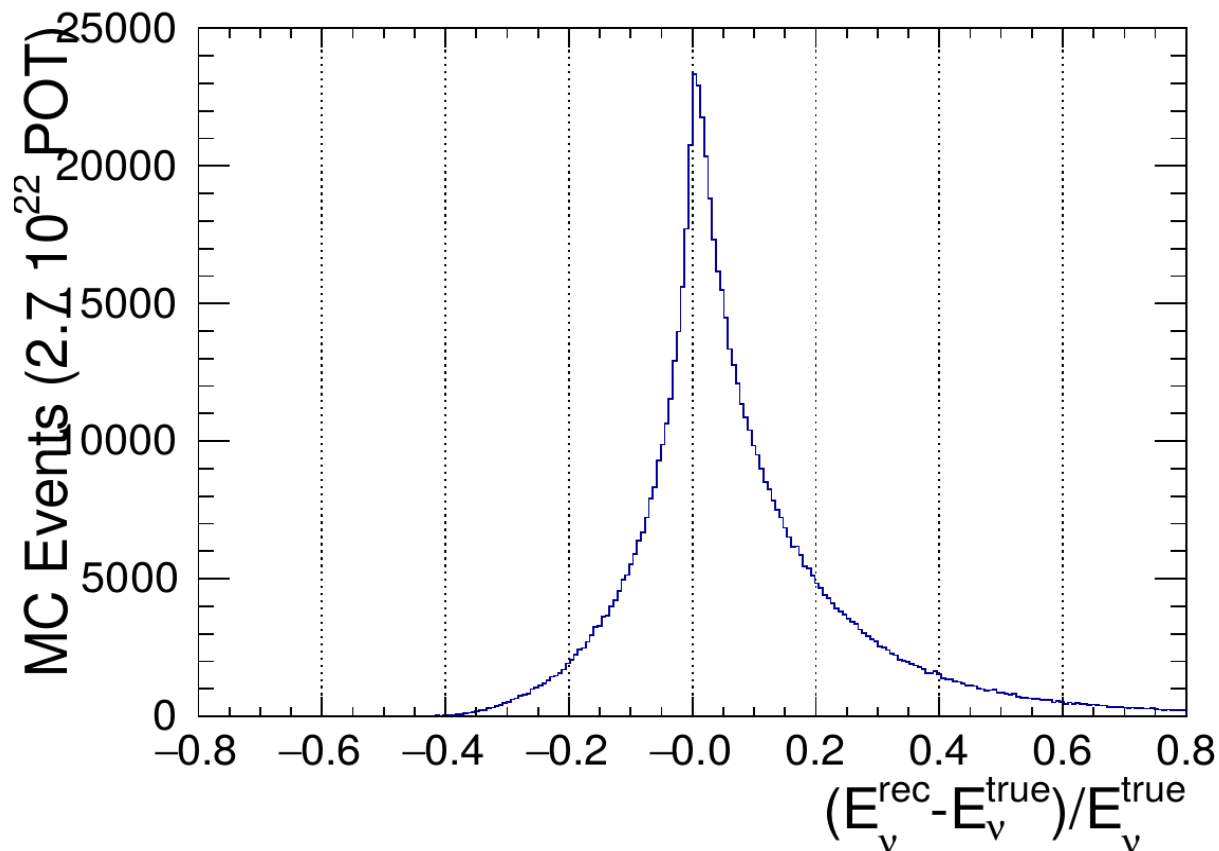


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The motion of nucleons inside the nucleus (**Fermi momentum**) **cause a smearing on  $E_\nu^{\text{rec}}$**

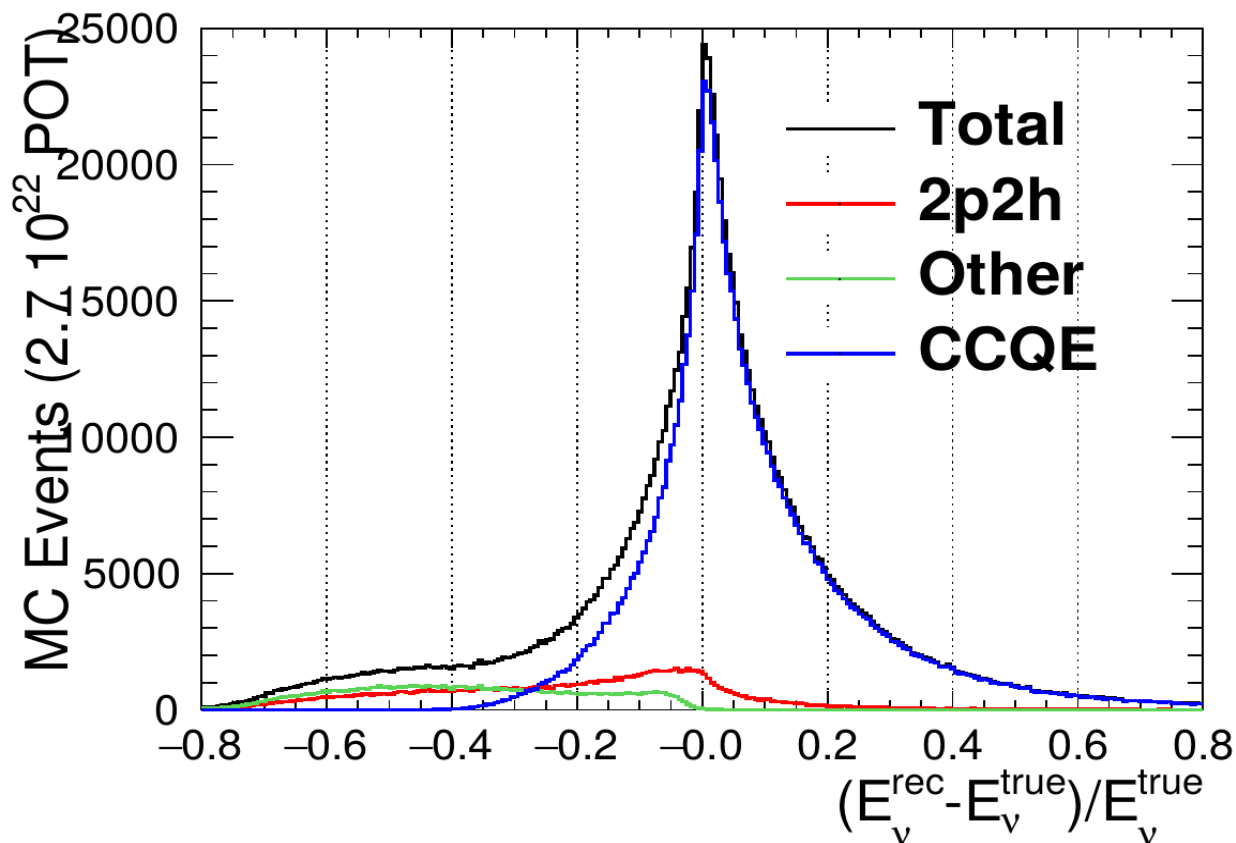
The energy needed to extract the nucleon from its shell (**removal or binding energy**) **induces a bias on  $E_\nu^{\text{rec}}$**



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CCQE formula is **not** a good estimator of true  $E_\nu$  for non-CCQE events: eg, 2p2h where the second nucleon goes undetected (eg neutron, or proton below threshold) and CC1pi with pion absorbed in nucleus by FSI





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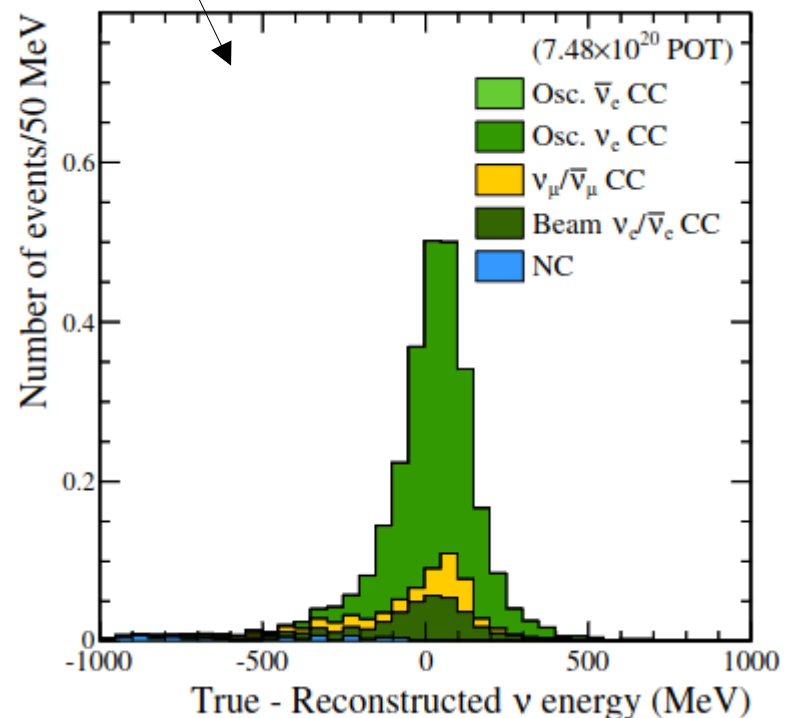
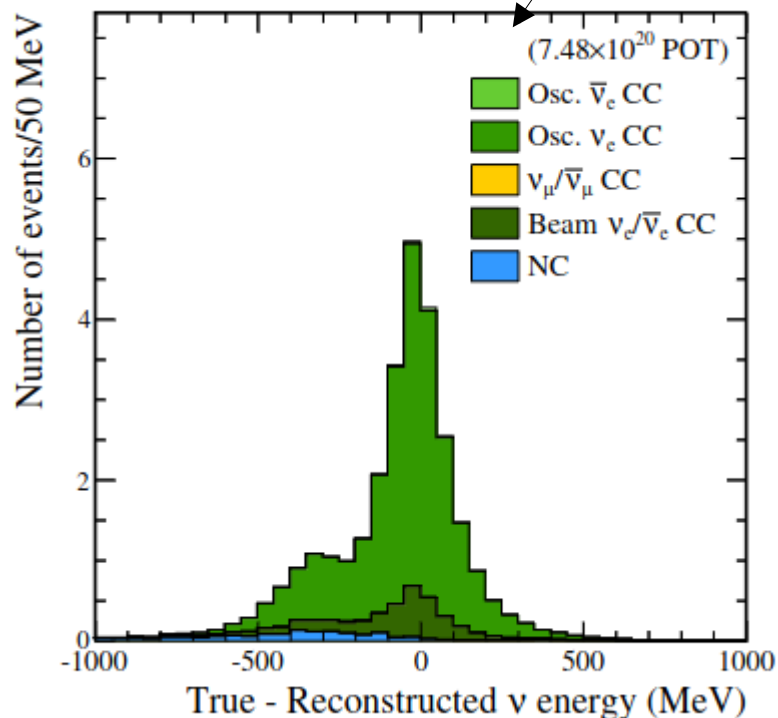
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Notice that similar formulas could be built also in case of pion production:

Reconstruct neutrino energy from lepton kinematics only, assuming  $\Delta^{++}$  resonance (mostly true in FHC at T2K energy)

$$E_\nu^{\text{rec}} = \frac{m_{\Delta^{++}}^2 - m_p^2 - m_l^2 + 2m_p E_l}{2(m_p - E_l + p_l \cos \theta_l)}$$

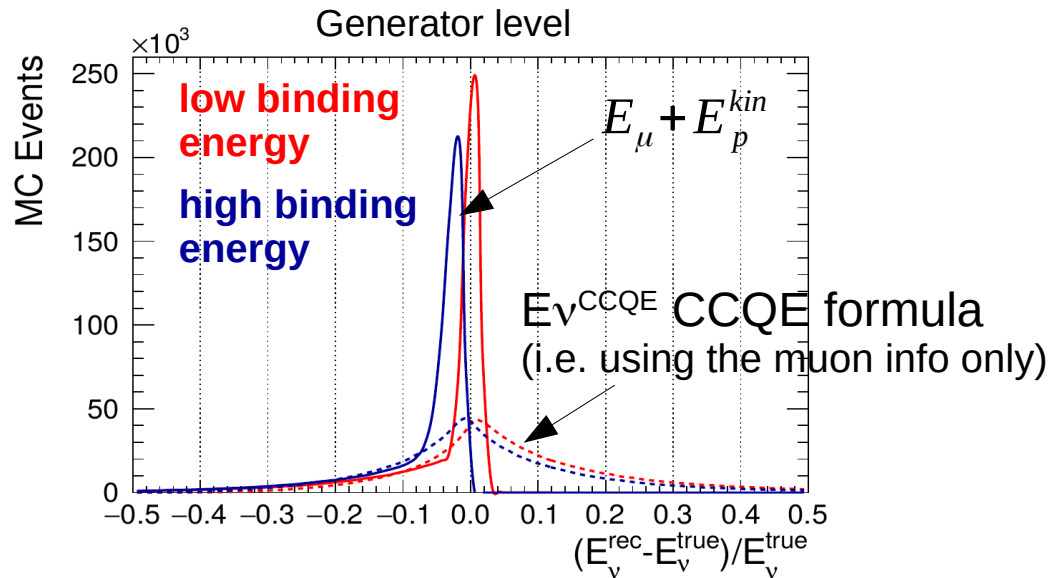
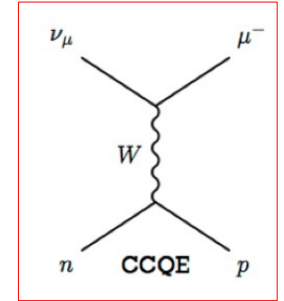
Resolutions at SK with detector effects:  
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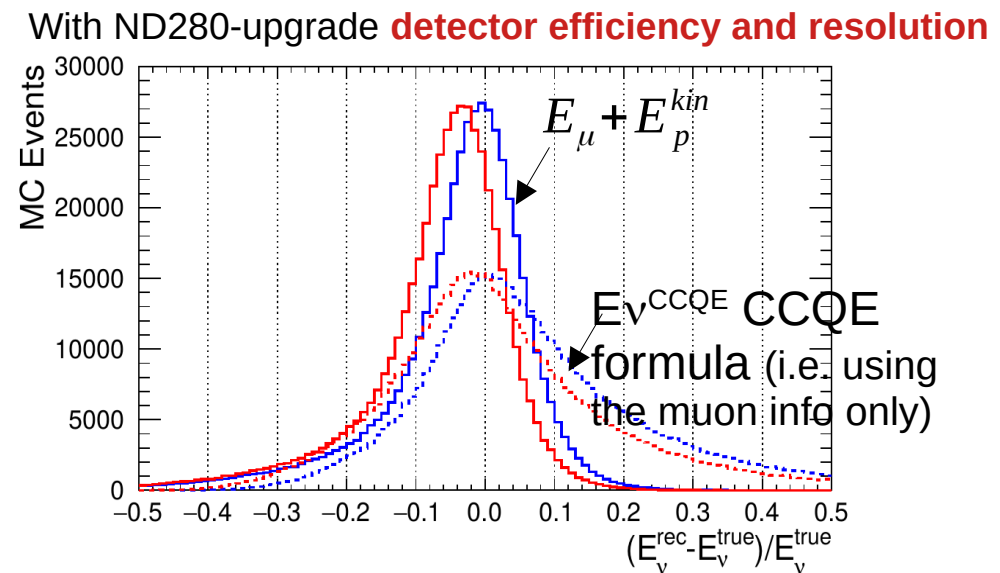
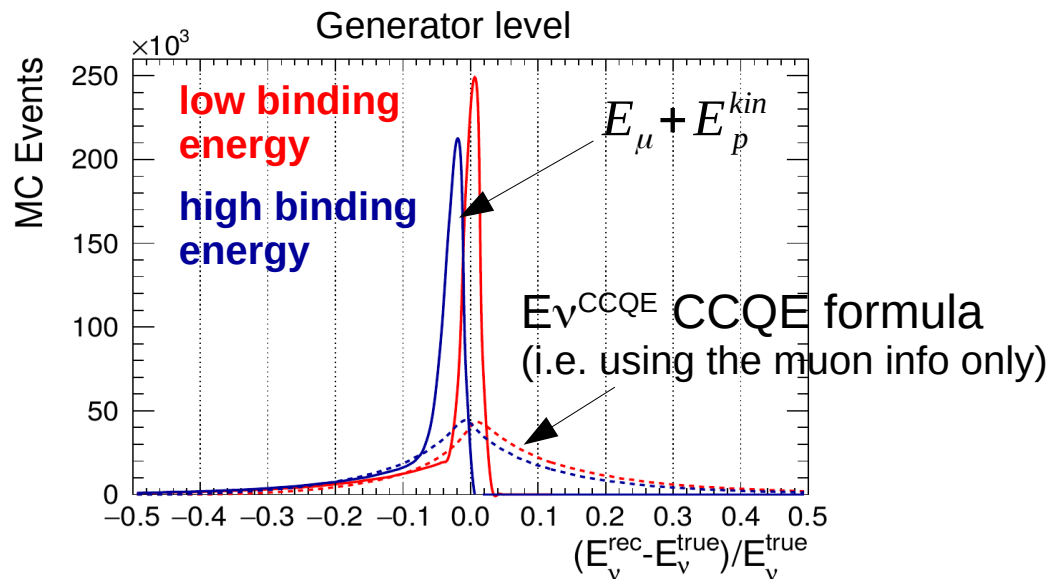
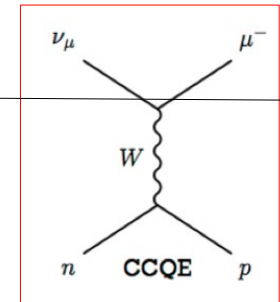


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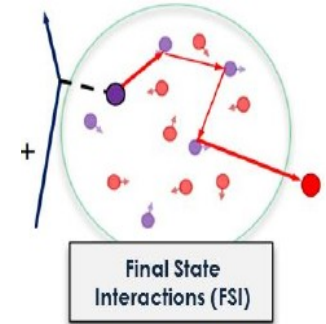
- **A new generation of analysis** is being developed at T2K, with ND280 upgrade, which fully exploits the proton/neutron measurement.

→ This is also the way DUNE will reconstruct energy: **very good exclusive reconstruction + large xsec at high energy (multipion)**

# New challenges

## “Missing energy”:

- neutrons
- protons and pions which are re-absorbed by Final State Interactions
- the energy which is below tracking threshold



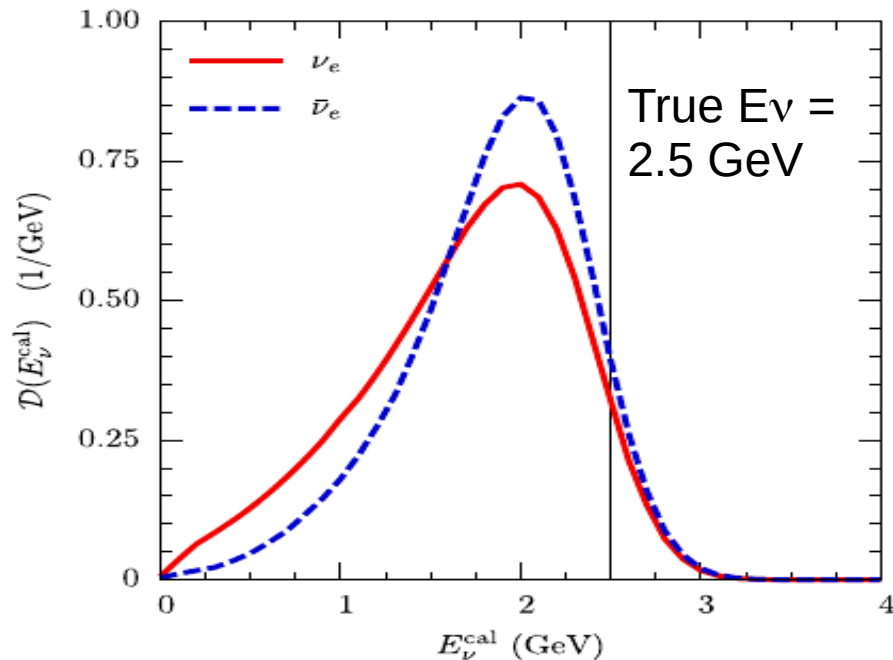
- Part of this ‘missing’ energy could be detected **‘calorimetrically’ (aka vertex activity): all energy is ultimately emitted as low energy hadrons ( $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0$ ,  $p$ ,  $n$ ) and nuclear clusters (eg  $\alpha$ ,  $d$ ,  $t$ ...) through FSI and nuclear de-excitation**
  - need to control the response of the detector to such different particles to ‘unfold’ to their kinetic energy and, ultimately sum it up to get the true  $E_\nu$

From model point of view we will need to control:

- pion, proton, neutron FSI
- nuclear de-excitation

# Impact of missing energy: neutrons

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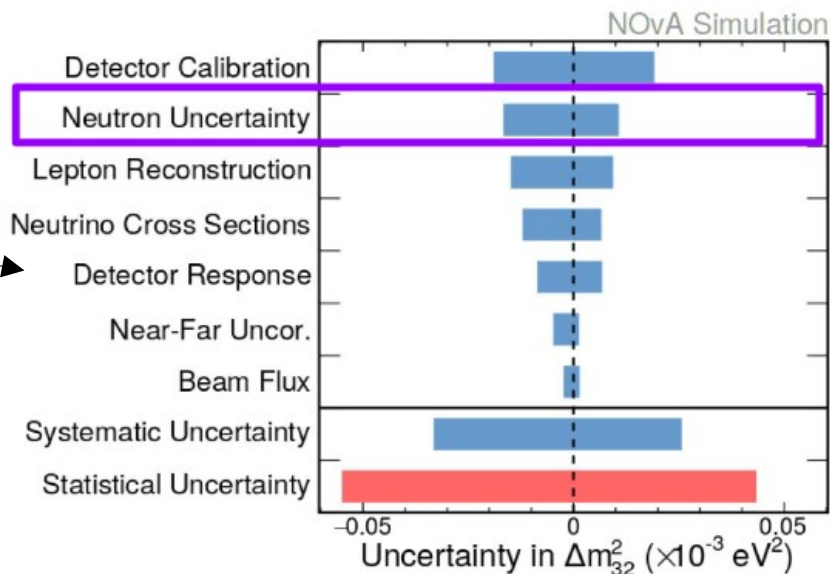


- Impact of **missing energy** on DUNE-like calorimetric energy reconstruction (phenomenological study)

- Large contribution from **nuclear effects (neutrons! Hadrons below tracking) and entangled with detector calibration**

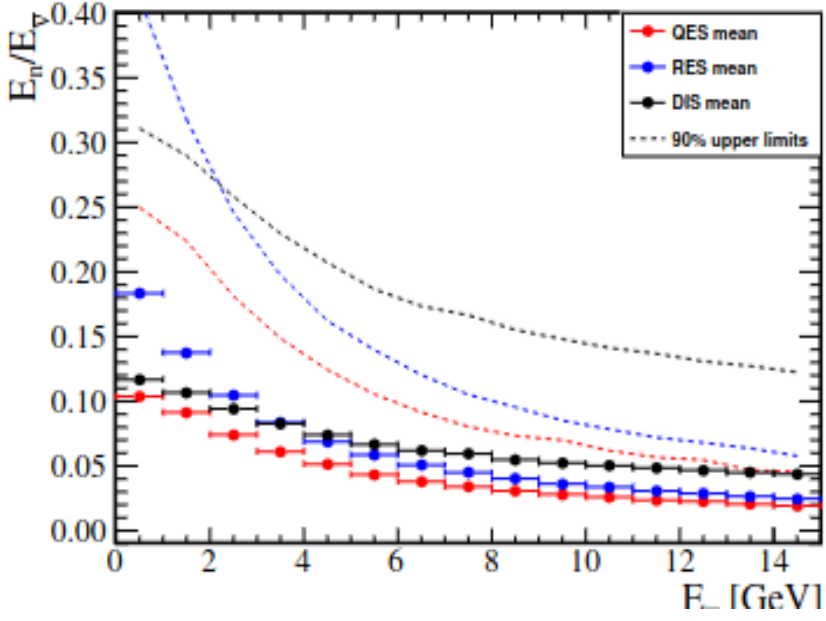
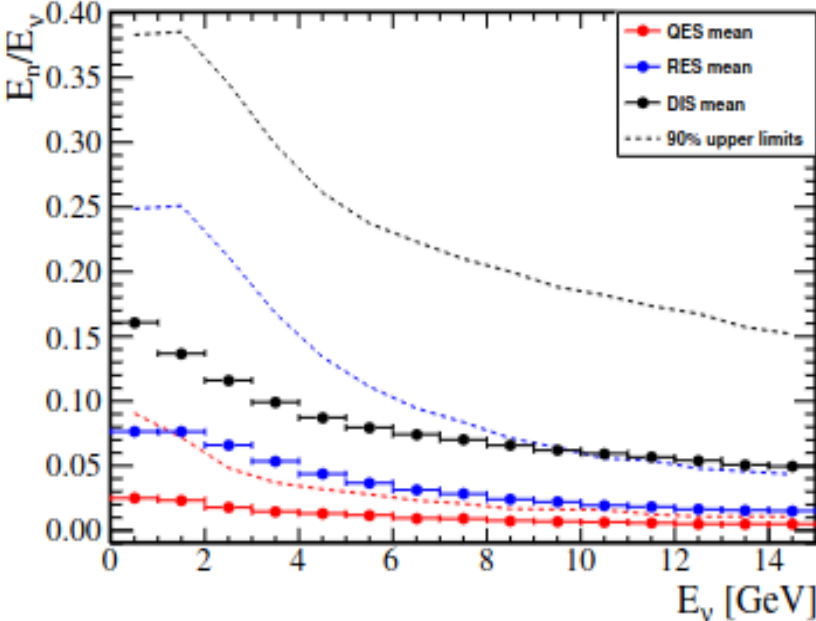
- **Neutrons can bias  $\nu/\bar{\nu}$   $E_\nu$  reconstruction** since different neutron rate for  $\nu/\bar{\nu}$  interactions

Not a surprise to the LBL community:  
see NOVA systematics



# Neutrons@DUNE

Crucial next step: measurement of fraction of  $E_\nu$  which goes to neutrons: **need to measure the neutron multiplicity and kinematics for different neutrino interaction processes**



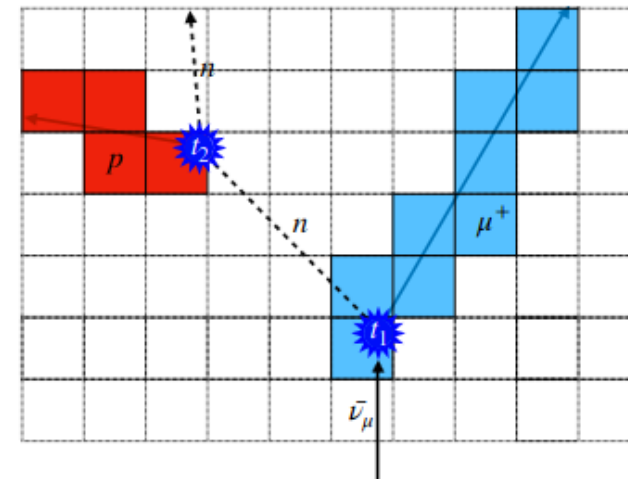
Average energy fraction transferred to the primary neutrons relative to the neutrino energy (left) and the antineutrino energy (right).

**ND280 Upgrade will measure neutrons for the first time in neutrino interactions!**

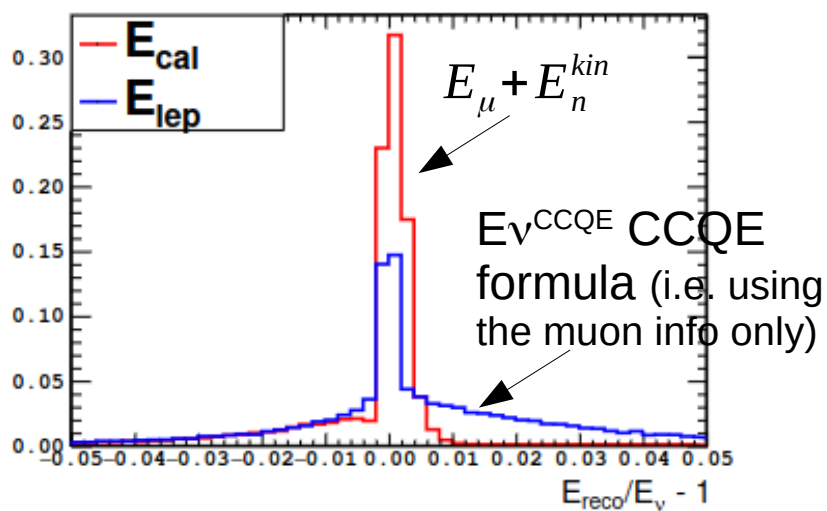
# Study of impact of neutrons on $E_{\nu}^{\text{rec}}$ in DUNE

Study of ND280-upgrade like detector in DUNE flux at near detectors: just looked at CCQE for now....

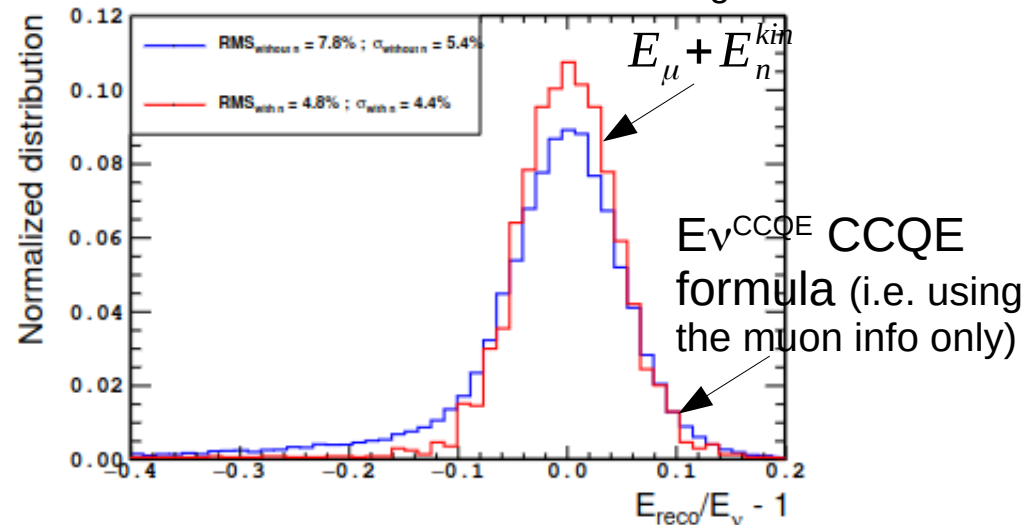
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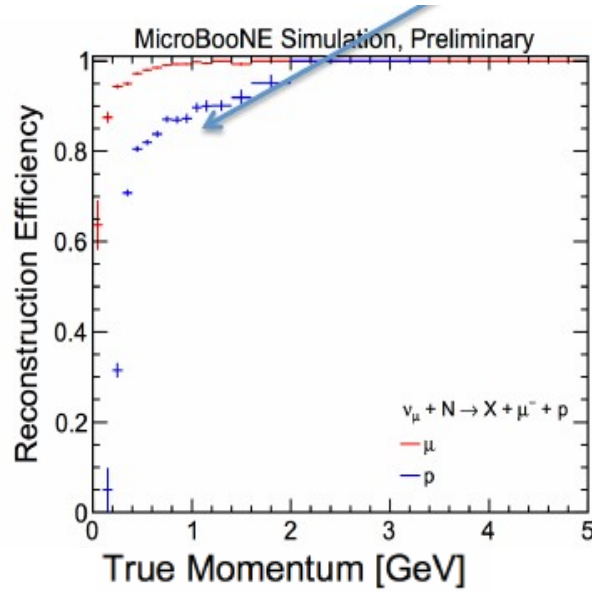


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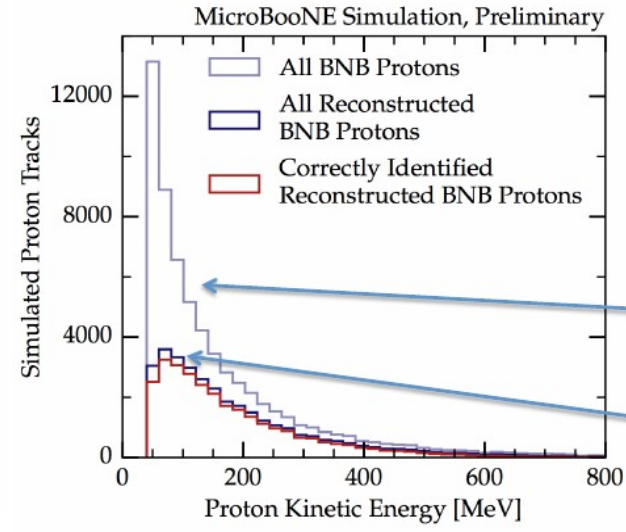


# Protons below tracking

The capability of tracking protons (and pions) depends on their momenta: **to correct for un-tracked particles we need to know the 'missing' protons (below tracking)**

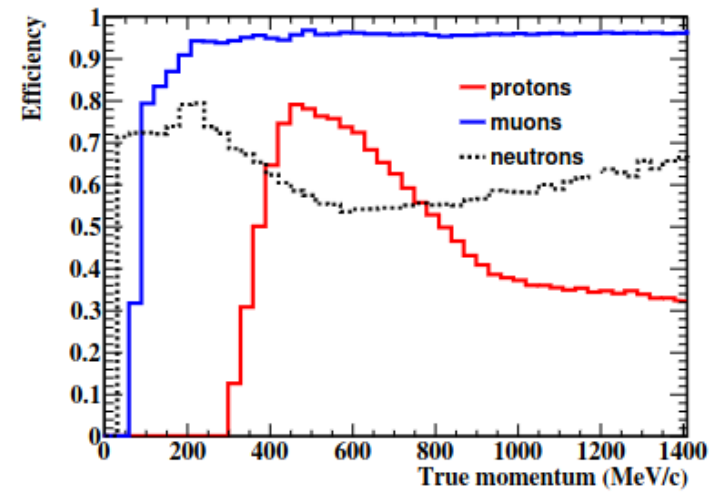


ND280 upgrade proton momentum efficiency



## MicroBooNE proton momentum efficiency

- Uncertainties:**
- MC needed to correct for these lost protons
  - mis-ID protons counted as pions – energy wrong, or muons – event topology wrong



**Need good FSI model to know how many protons loose energy in the nucleus and go below detecting threshold**

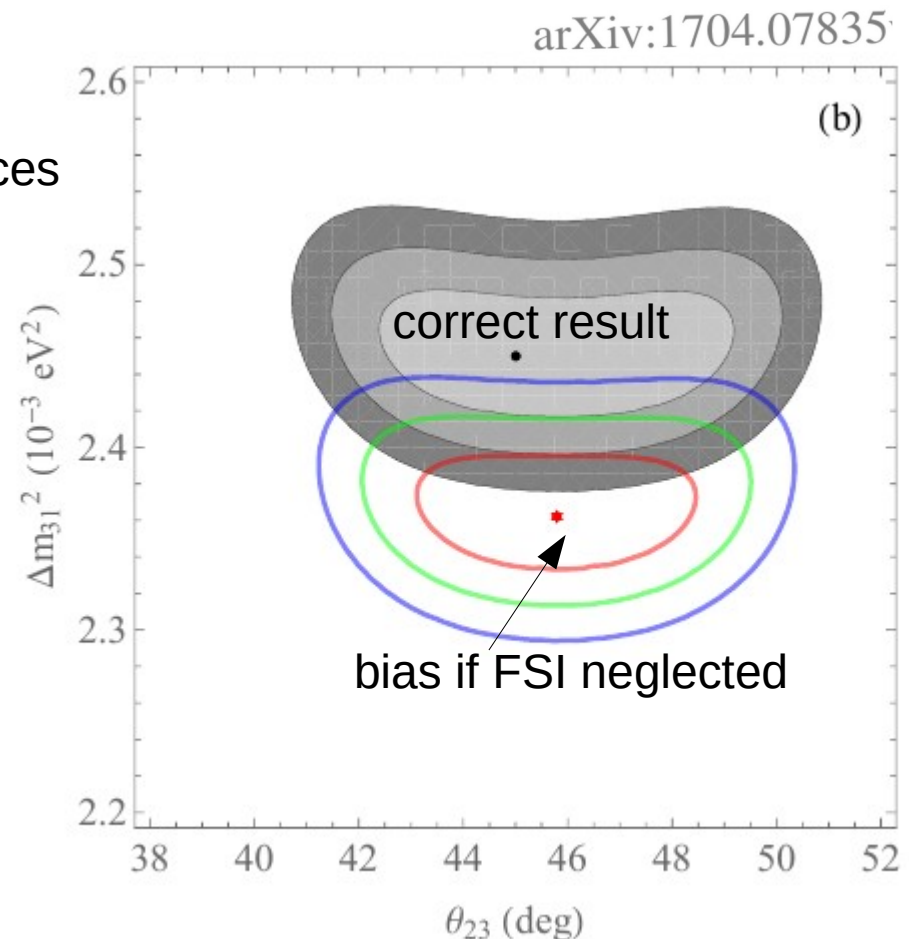
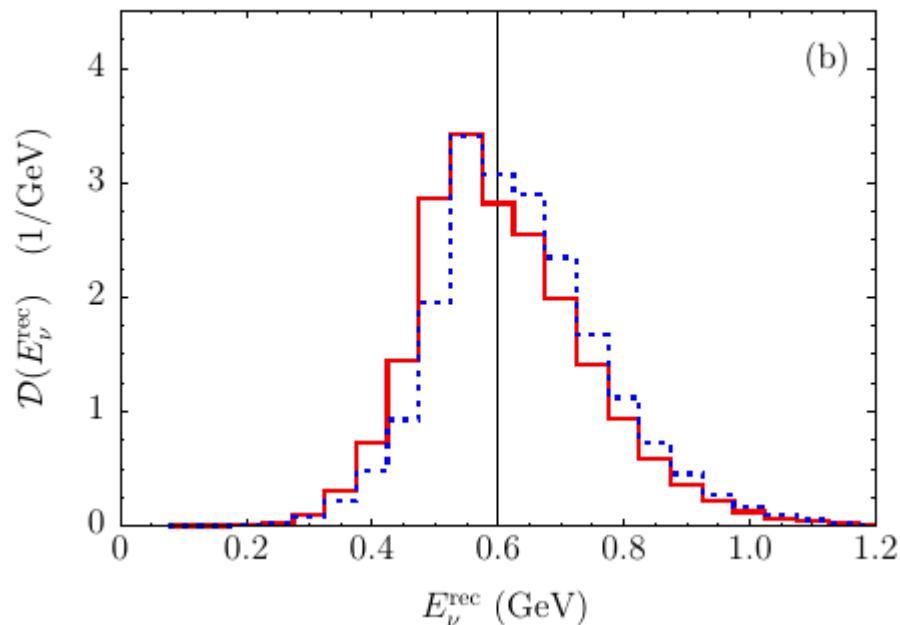


# FSI effects on calorimetric energy

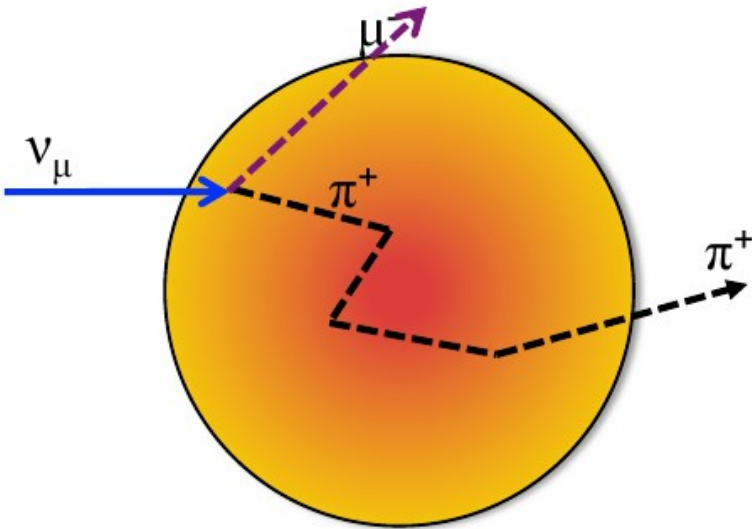
→ **Effects on neutrino calorimetric energy reconstruction for oscillation analysis:**

- some energy get lost in the rescattering in the nucleus and cannot be reconstructed
- efficiency corrections for low momentum particles from MC need reliable model of charge, multiplicity and kinematics of outgoing hadrons

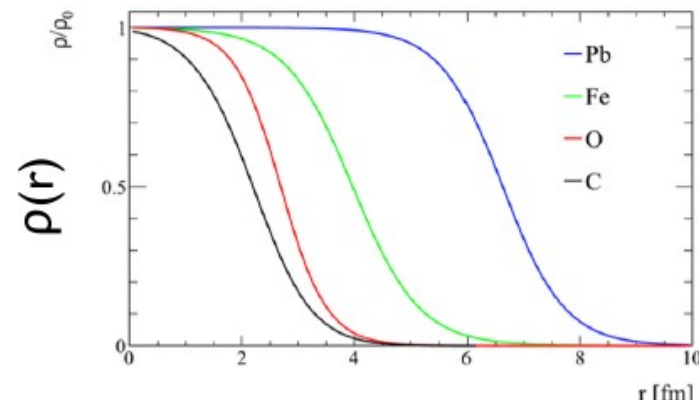
Bias in the reconstructed energy if FSI are neglected with 'realistic' detector performances (phenomenological study)



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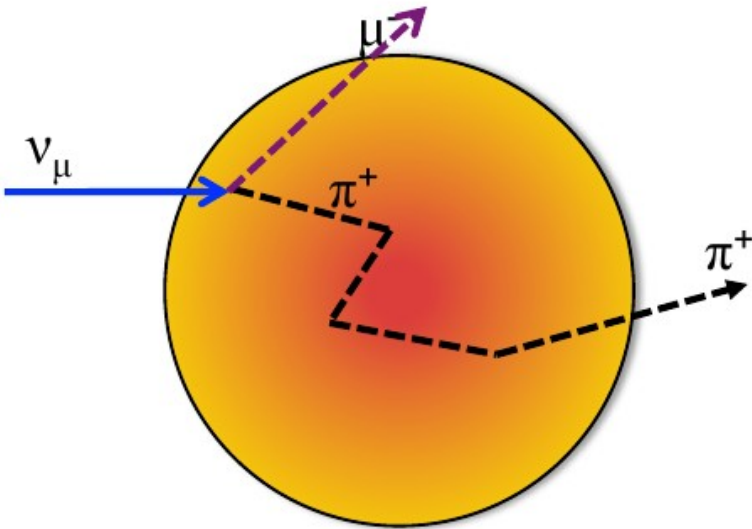


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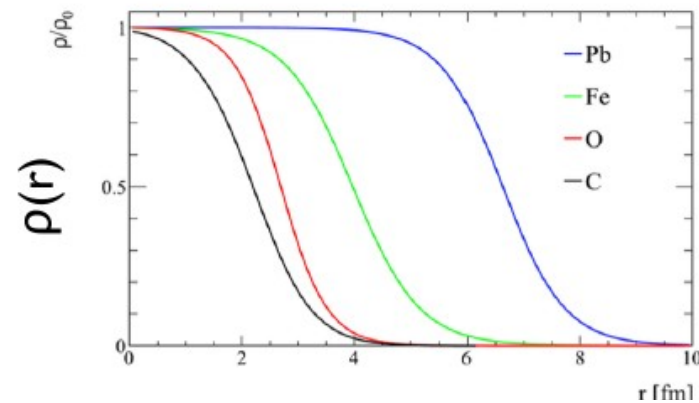


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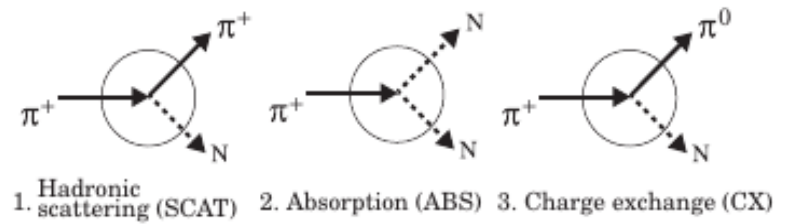
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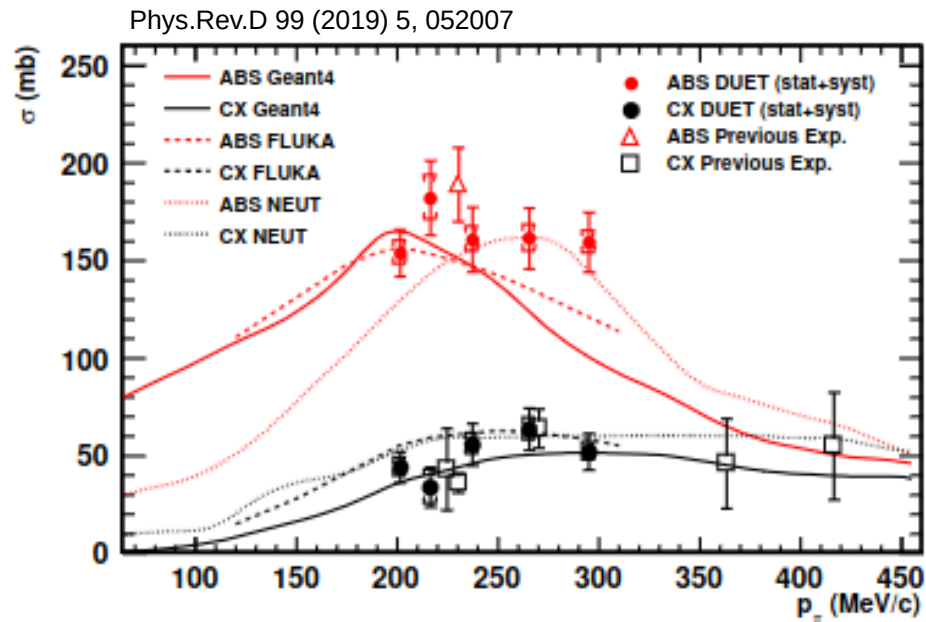
**FSI model is tuned to external data: pion-Nucleus and proton-Nucleus cross-section.**

# Pions data

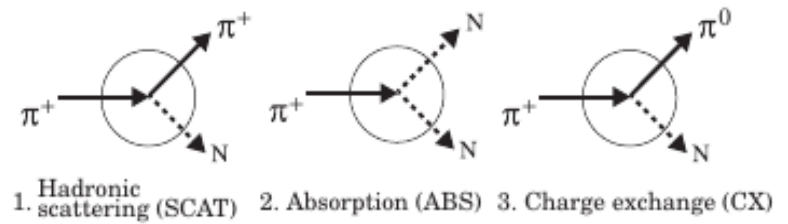


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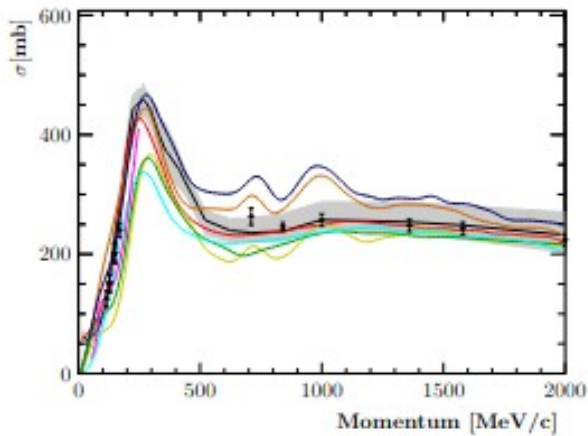
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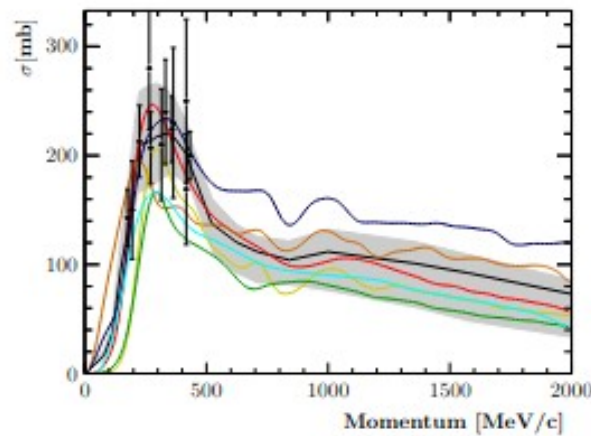
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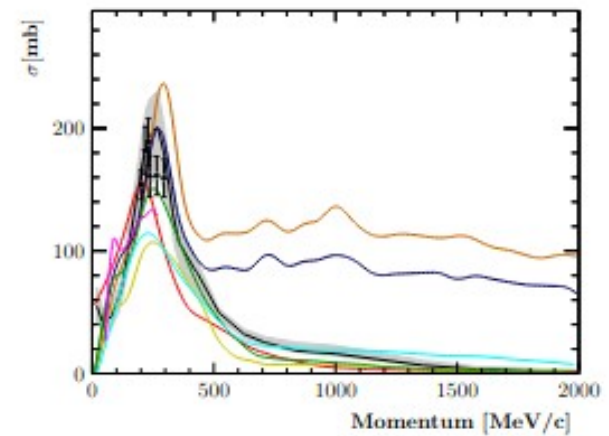
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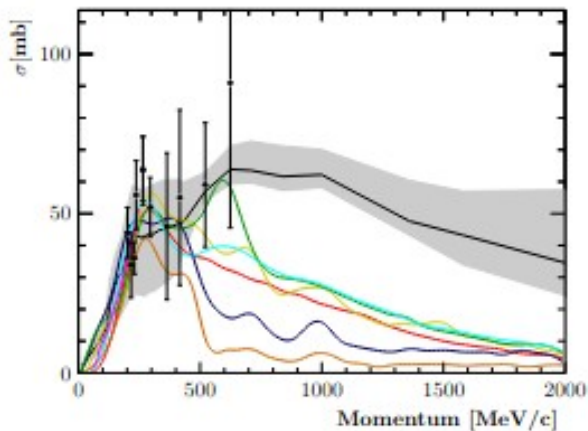
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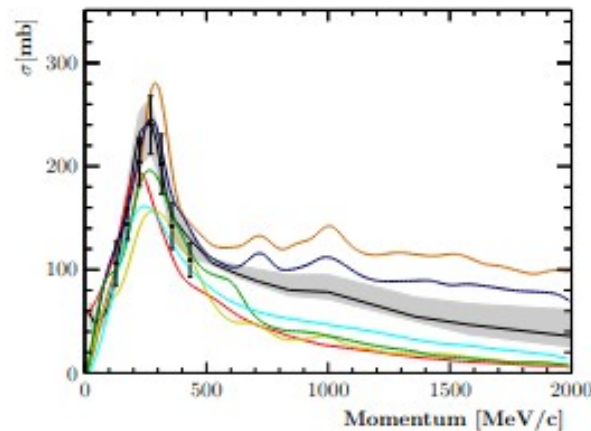
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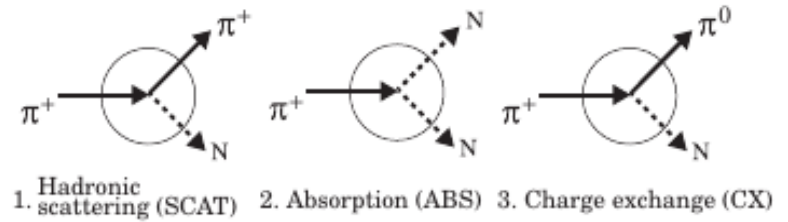


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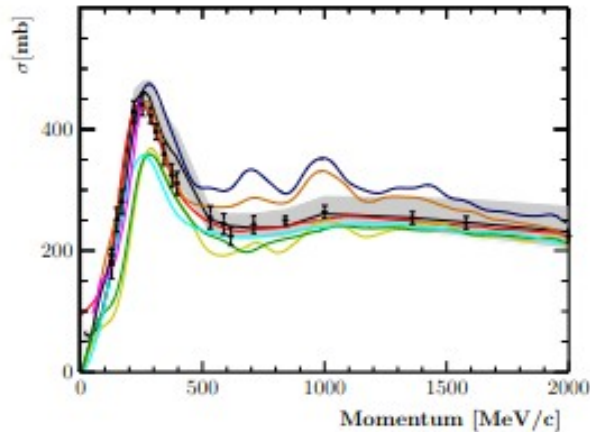
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$\pi^+$  on Carbon: ~no data above 500 MeV

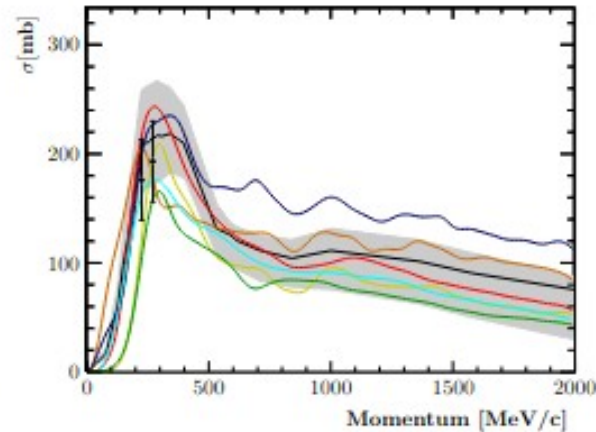
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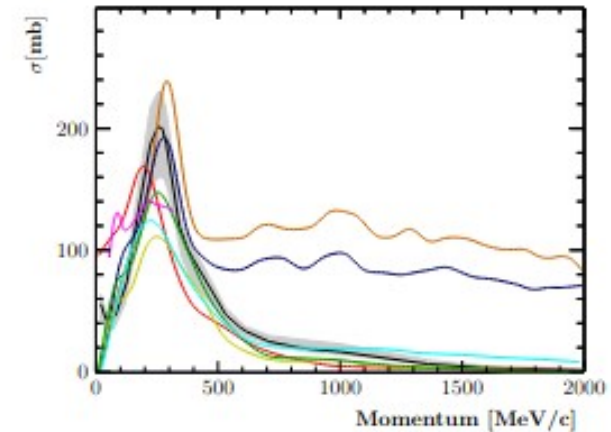
- Pion-nucleus cross-section: **very sparse data available**



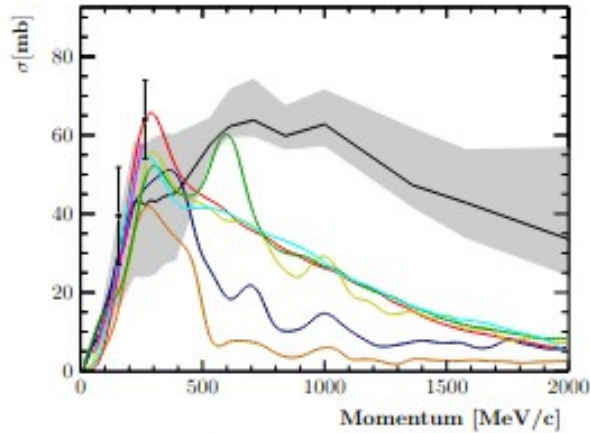
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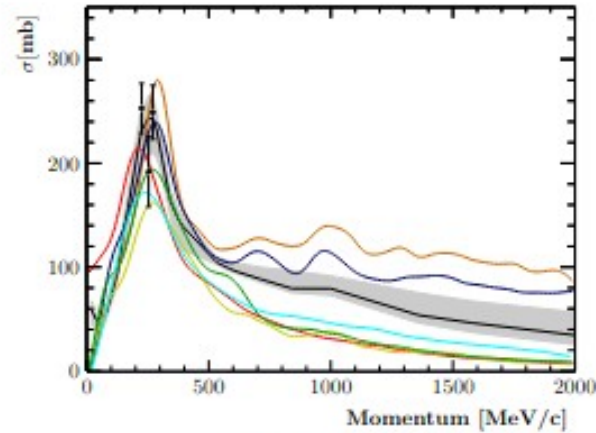
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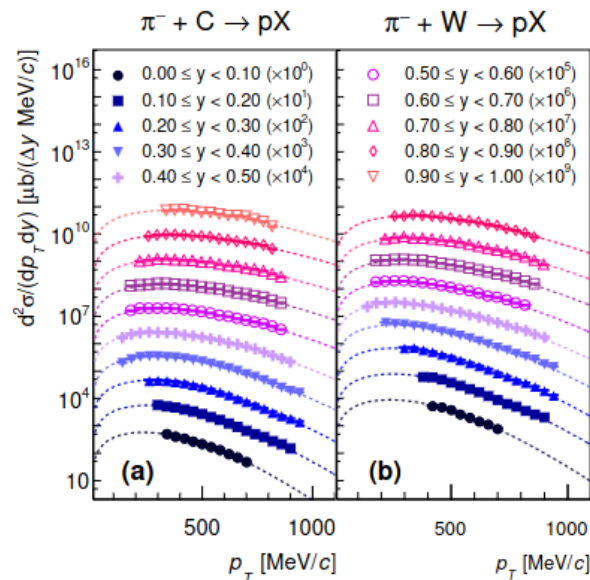
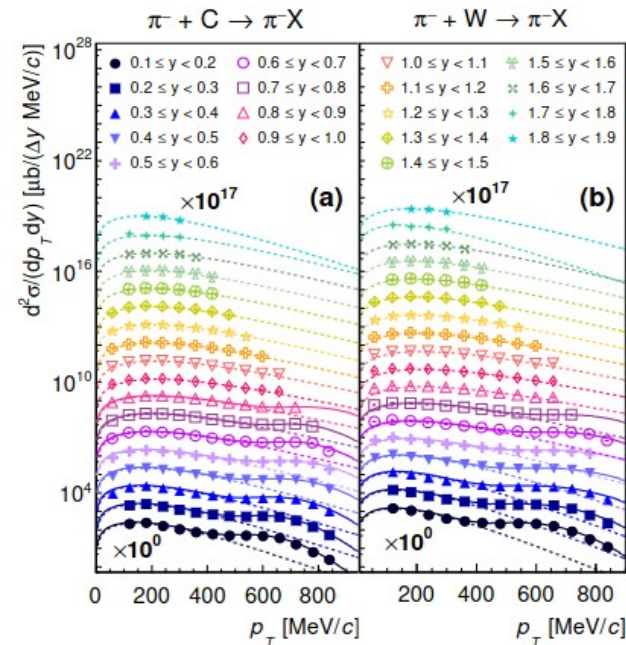
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$\pi^-$  on Carbon: even less data!

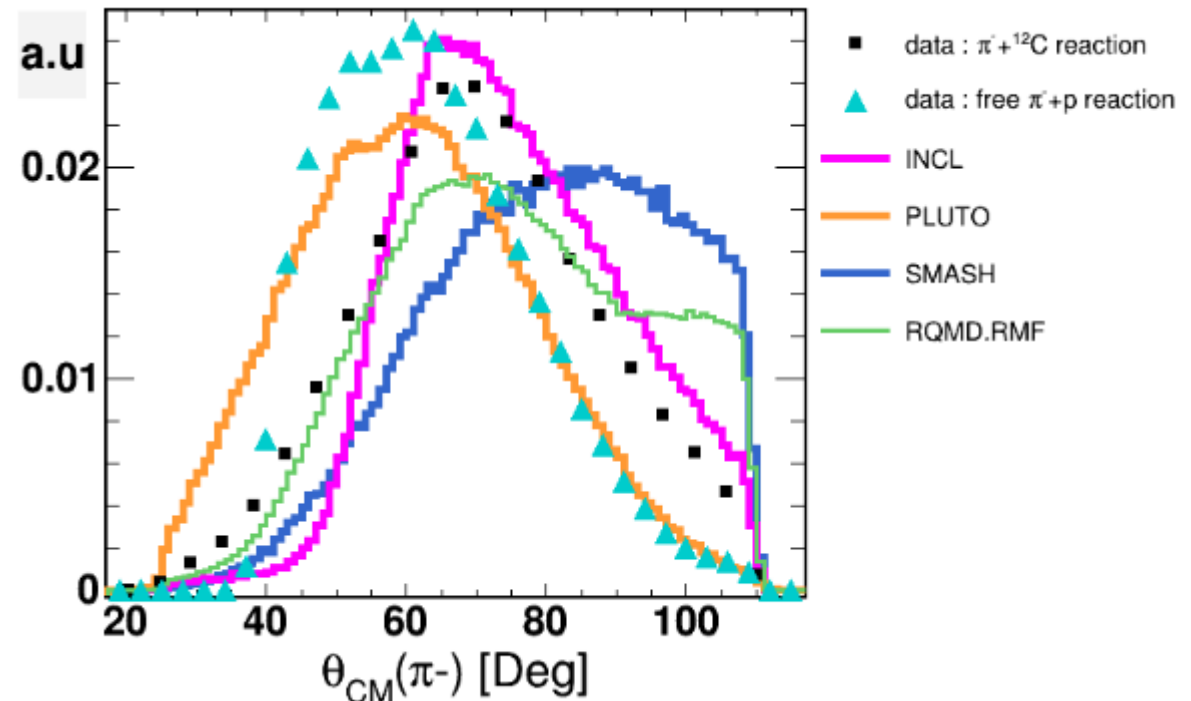
**New HADES data!!**

# New HADES data: $\pi^- + C/W @ 0.7\text{GeV}$ exclusive analysis

A gold mine of new data to tune our FSI models!



$\pi^- C \rightarrow \pi^- C$  QuasiElastic



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# Pions data: A-dependence

- Pion-nucleus cross-section: **sparse data available for various nuclei**

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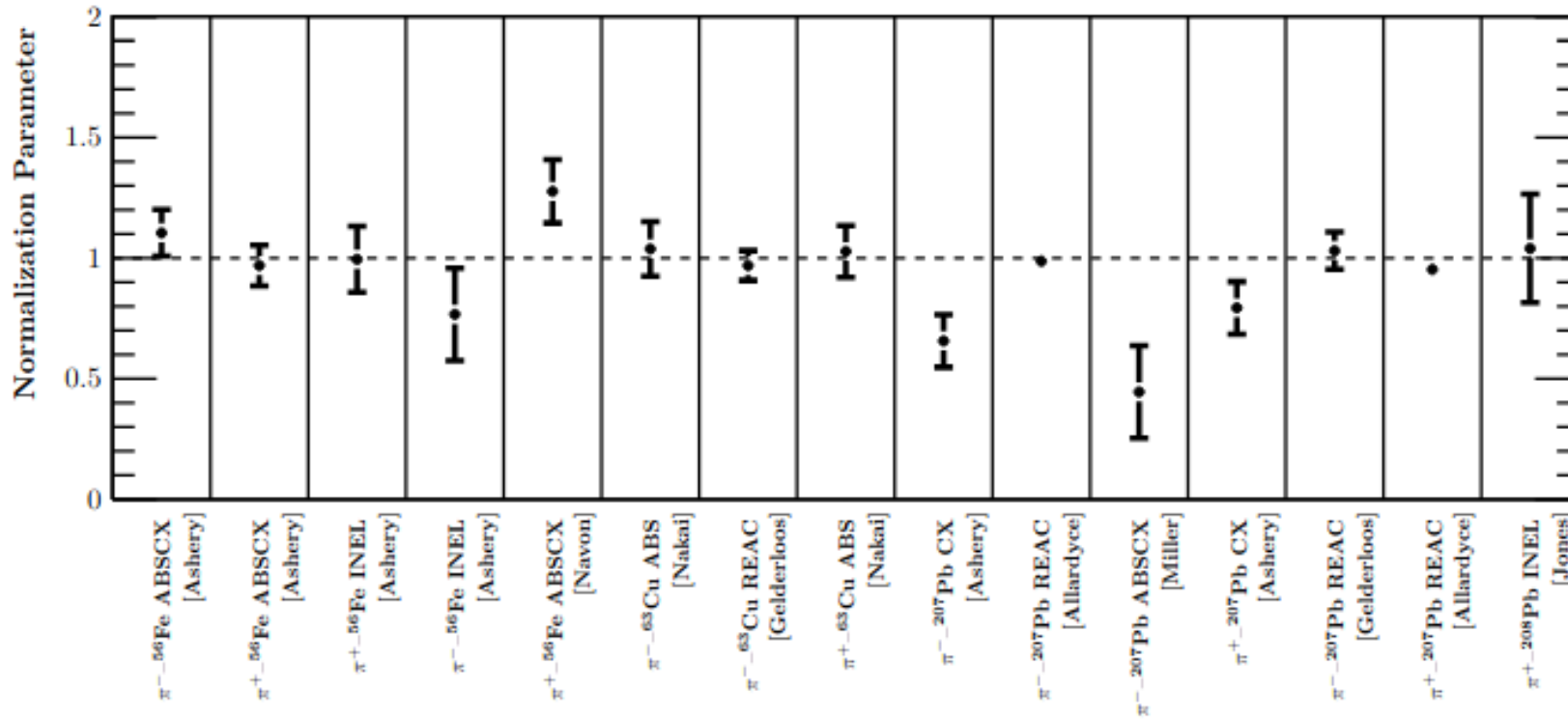
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A. Saunders <i>et al.</i> [27]	$\pi^\pm$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$	116-149	REAC
C. J. Gelderloos <i>et al.</i> [28]	$\pi^-$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{63}\text{Cu}$ , $^{207}\text{Pb}$	531-615	REAC
F. Binon <i>et al.</i> [29]	$\pi^-$	$^{12}\text{C}$	219-395	REAC
O. Meirav <i>et al.</i> [30]	$\pi^\pm$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{16}\text{O}$	128-169	REAC
C. H. Q. Ingram [31]	$\pi^+$	$^{16}\text{O}$	211-353	QE
S. M. Levenson <i>et al.</i> [32]	$\pi^+$	$^{12}\text{C}$	194-416	QE
M. K. Jones <i>et al.</i> [33]	$\pi^+$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{208}\text{Pb}$	363-624	QE, CX
D. Ashery <i>et al.</i> [34]	$\pi^\pm$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{56}\text{Fe}$	175-432	QE, ABS+CX
H. Hilscher <i>et al.</i> [35]	$\pi^-$	$^{12}\text{C}$	156	CX
T. J. Bowles [36]	$\pi^+$	$^{16}\text{O}$	128-194	CX
D. Ashery <i>et al.</i> [37]	$\pi^\pm$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{16}\text{O}$ , $^{207}\text{Pb}$	265	CX
K. Nakai <i>et al.</i> [38]	$\pi^\pm$	$^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{63}\text{Cu}$	83-395	ABS
E. Bellotti <i>et al.</i> [39]	$\pi^+$	$^{12}\text{C}$	230	ABS
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I. Navon <i>et al.</i> [41]	$\pi^+$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{56}\text{Fe}$	128	ABS+CX
R. H. Miller <i>et al.</i> [42]	$\pi^-$	$^{12}\text{C}$ , $^{207}\text{Pb}$	254	ABS+CX
E. S. Pinzon Guerra <i>et al.</i> [43]	$\pi^+$	$^{12}\text{C}$	206-295	ABS, CX



# Pions data: A-dependence

- Pion-nucleus cross-section: sparse data available for various nuclei → **the best way to tune FSI properly is to fit to all nuclei together: important info on FSI dynamic could be extracted from A-dependence**

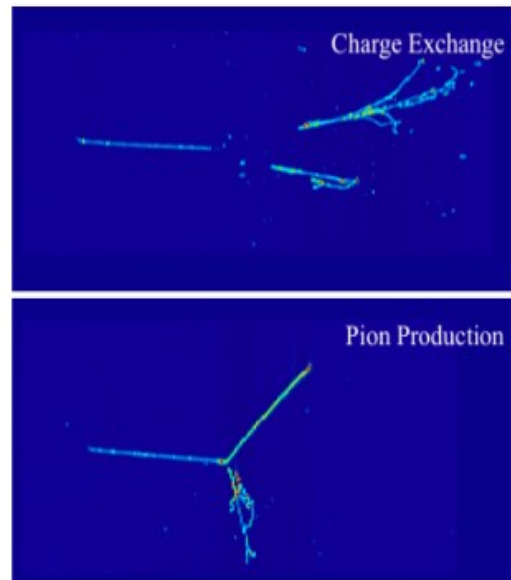
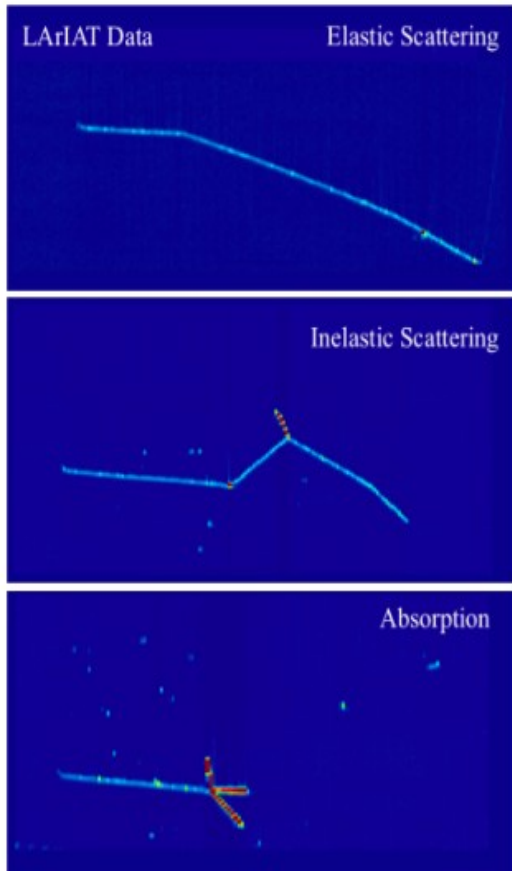
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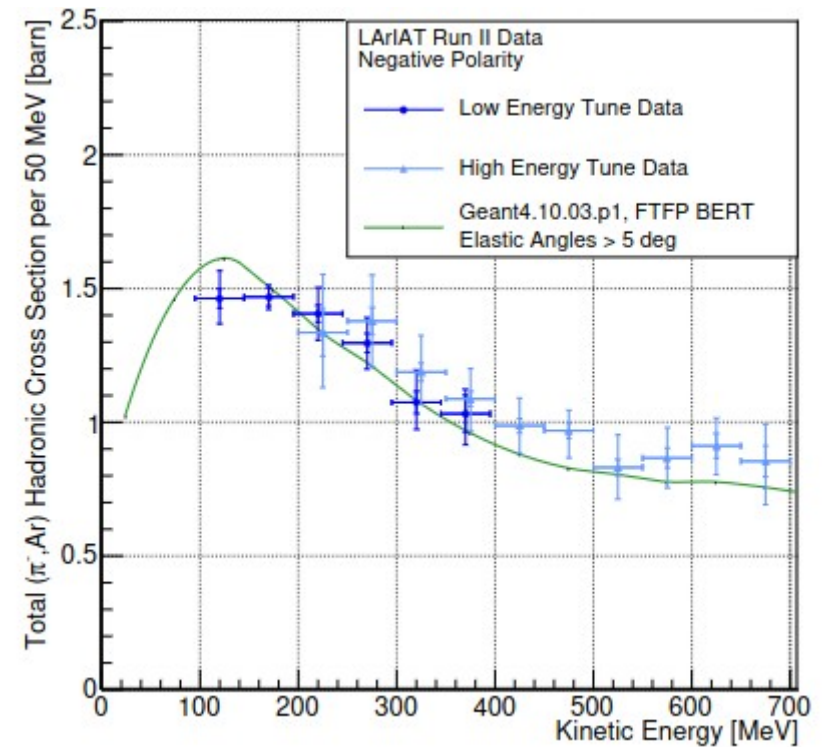
(c) Heavy nuclei

# Pions data on Argon

- **LArIAT: FNAL LAr on  $\pi^-$  beam**



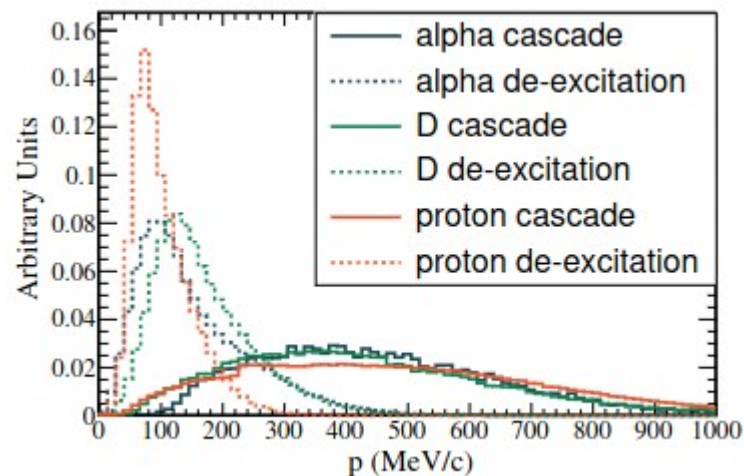
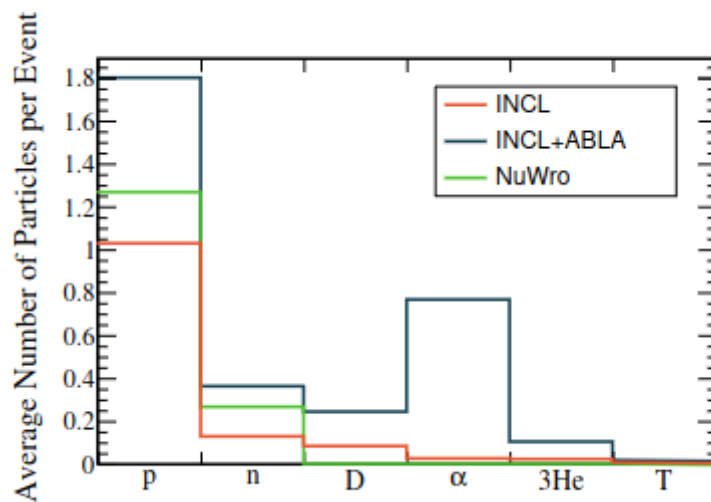
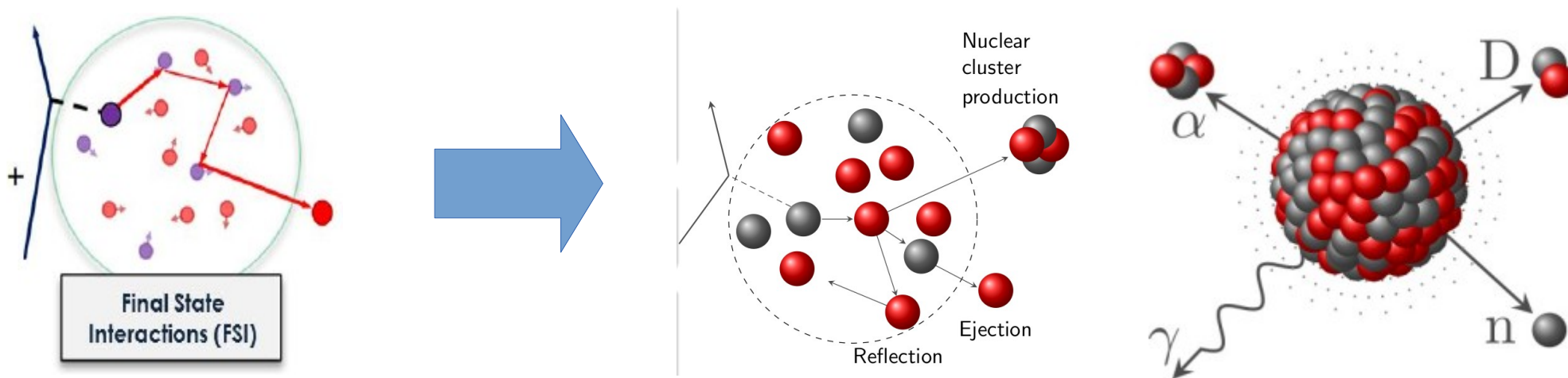
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- **Large potential from DUNE prototypes on CERN test beam!**

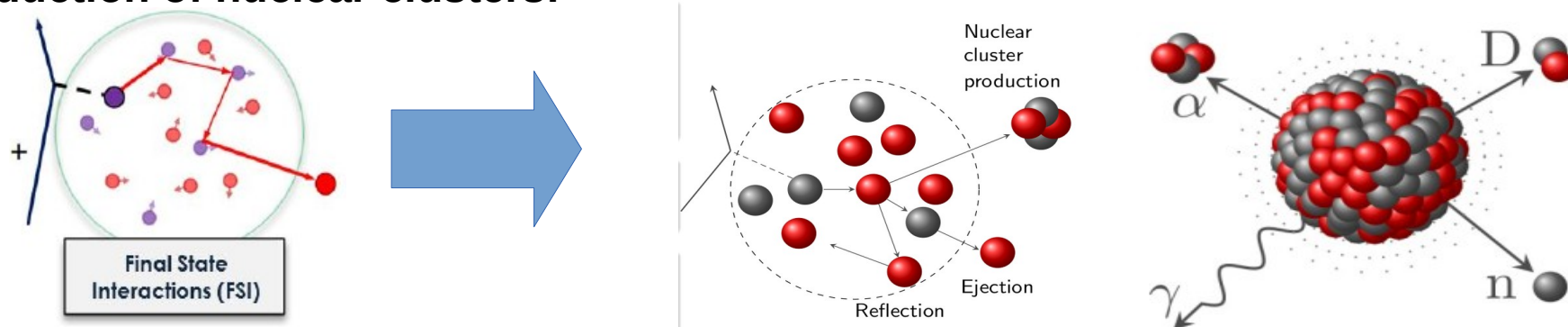
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Recent study on proton FSI with more sophisticated model (INCL) put in evidence new effects: **production of nuclear clusters!**

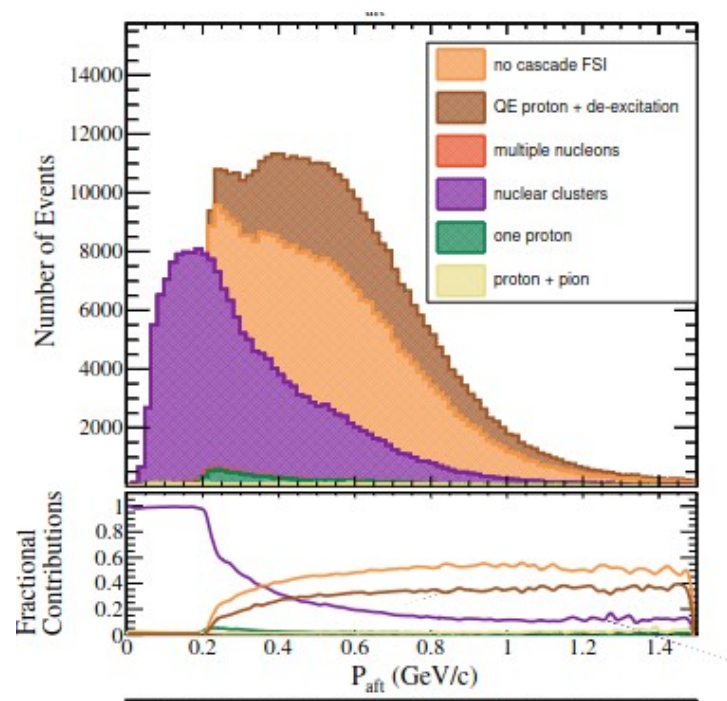
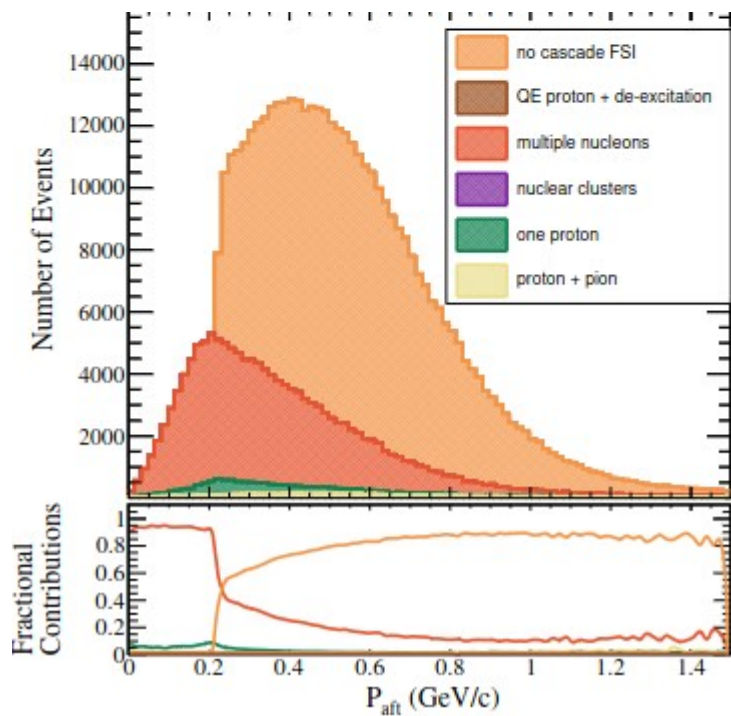


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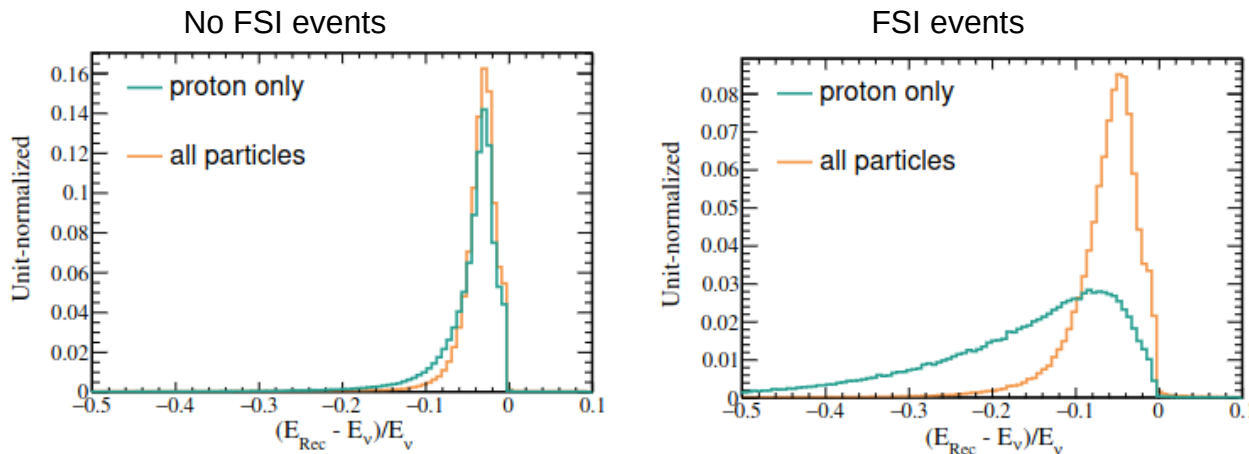


Impact also on leading order variables: eg, **leading proton momentum**



# Vertex activity / calorimetric energy

For events with FSI, using only the leading outgoing nucleon is not enough: **need to reconstruct multiple nucleons and clusters for good neutrino energy reconstruction**



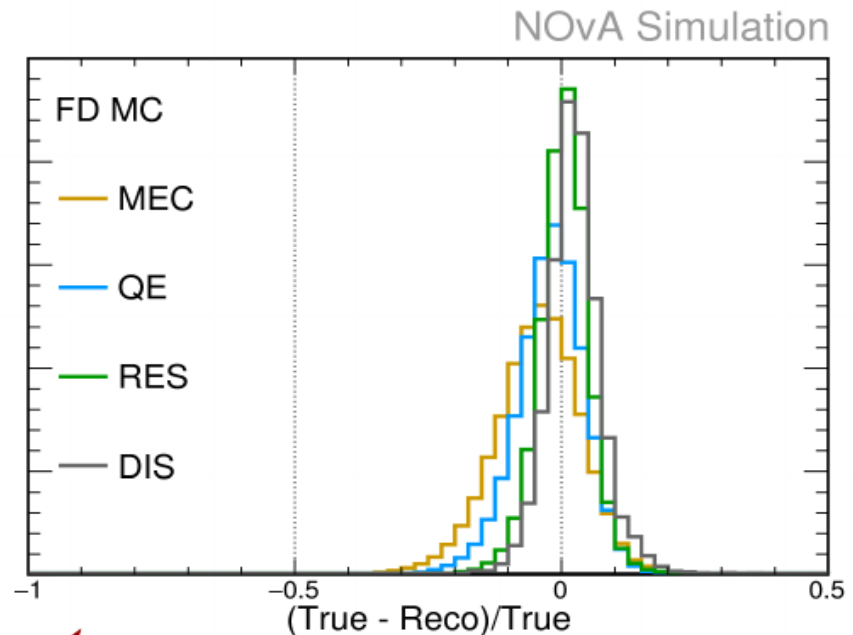
Generator level → **detector effects very difficult to control for such low momentum/high mass particles (quenching, secondary interactions...)**

**An 'inclusive'/calorimetric energy reconstruction is never really inclusive!**

The response of the detector depends on the type of particle → need to have exclusive analysis/models to correct for detector effects

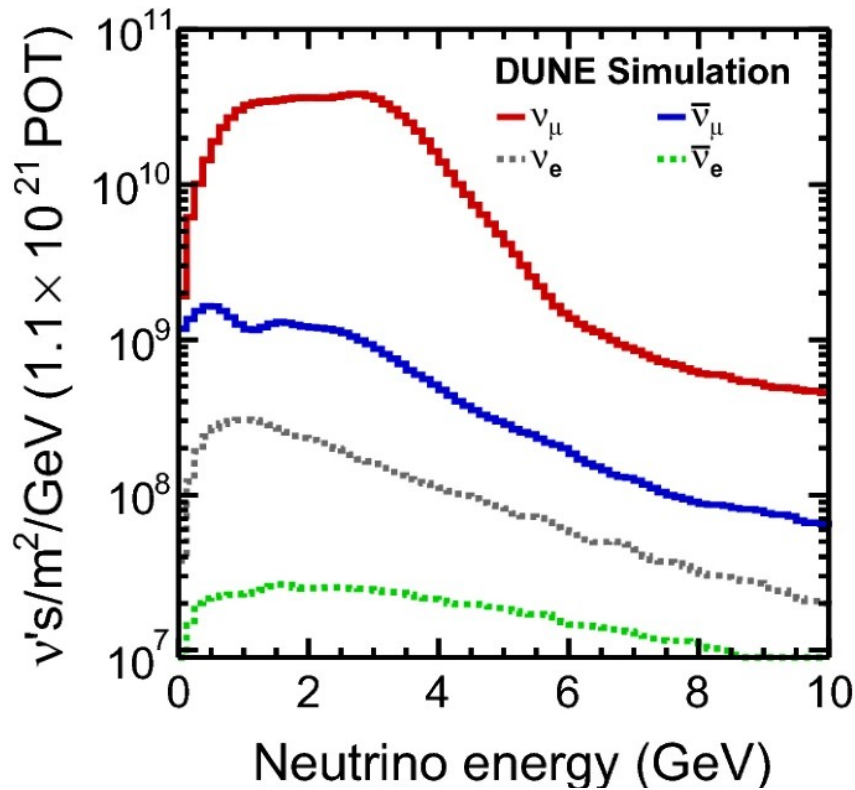
Example from NOVA:  
different response of detector depending on the particle  
→ different  $E_\nu$  resolution and bias depending on the final state  
Need models to untangle detector response and get back to actual released energy

A.U. (Area normalized)

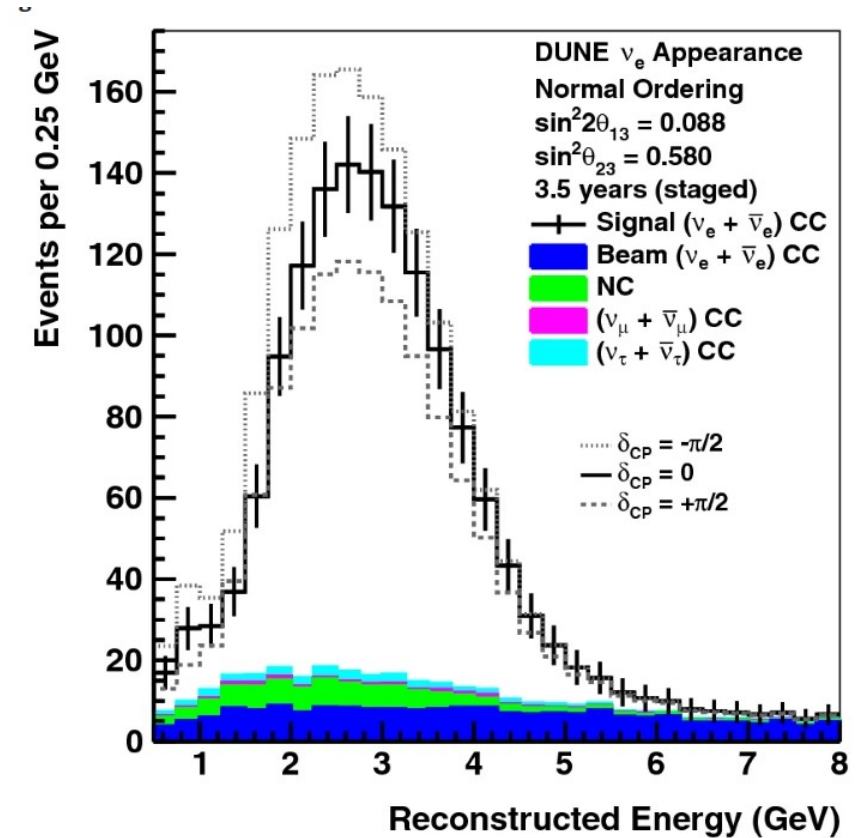
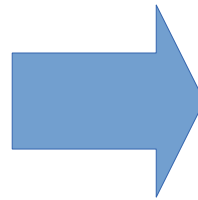


# ND $\rightarrow$ FD: $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$

Appearance of  $\nu_e$  in  $\nu_\mu$  dominated flux: useful for  $\theta_{23}$  octant determination +  $\delta_{CP}$  measurement



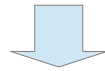
oscillation



# First order systematics on CPV

$$A_{\text{CP}} \equiv \frac{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)} \simeq -\frac{\sin 2\theta_{12} \sin \delta}{\sin \theta_{13} \tan \theta_{23}} \Delta_{21} + \text{matter effects},$$

$\delta_{\text{CP}} \neq 0, \pi$  means to demonstrate  $\nu_e / \bar{\nu}_e$  asymmetry  $\neq 0$



Most important systematics is  $\nu_e / \bar{\nu}_e$  rate prediction (xsec\*flux\*det)

What matter is the **ANTICORRELATED** uncertainty between  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$

- We use  $\nu_\mu / \bar{\nu}_\mu$  at ND to constrain the  $\nu_e / \bar{\nu}_e$  model. So the relevant uncertainty for  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$  is on the ratio  $\nu_e / \nu_\mu / \bar{\nu}_e / \bar{\nu}_\mu$

# $\nu_e$ uncertainties

- Flavor universality holds: the  $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$  uncertainties fully comes from **dependence of the cross-section on the lepton mass ( $m_{lep}$ )**
- Two main effects:
  - **dependence on  $m_{lep}$  of the  $\nu$ -nucleus cross-section at leading order**
  - **dependence of the radiative corrections: the correction itself is expected to be small (NLO) but the dependence on mass can be enhanced**
- In both cases if the  $\nu$ -nucleus cross-section is correctly modeled, the proper mass dependency can be calculated without uncertainties.  
There is **no “intrinsic” uncertainty** in extrapolating from  $\nu_\mu$  to  $\nu_e$
- In reality the model of the cross-section has uncertainties and these **uncertainties may affect differently  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  due to the  $m_{lep}$  dependency of the part of the cross-section that is mis-modeled.**
  - we express this in terms of uncorrelated uncertainty between  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$   
(but there is no “uncorrelation” in any single specific model of cross-section, it is just a way to say that we do not know the proper model both for  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  )



# $\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\mu$ uncertainties

- Both for radiative corrections and for nuclear effects, **the mass dependency is the same for  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  so the uncertainty is expected to be mostly correlated between  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$**
- All the theoretical uncertainties which may have anticorrelated effects between  $\nu$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  (Coulomb corrections, 2p2h) are mostly correlated between  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$
- So in our present understanding of the **theory: uncertainty on  $\nu_e/\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_e/\bar{\nu}_\mu$  should be very small except in specific regions of the phase space** (where  $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$  uncertainty become relevant for  $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$  differences)

# Recent results: nuclear effects

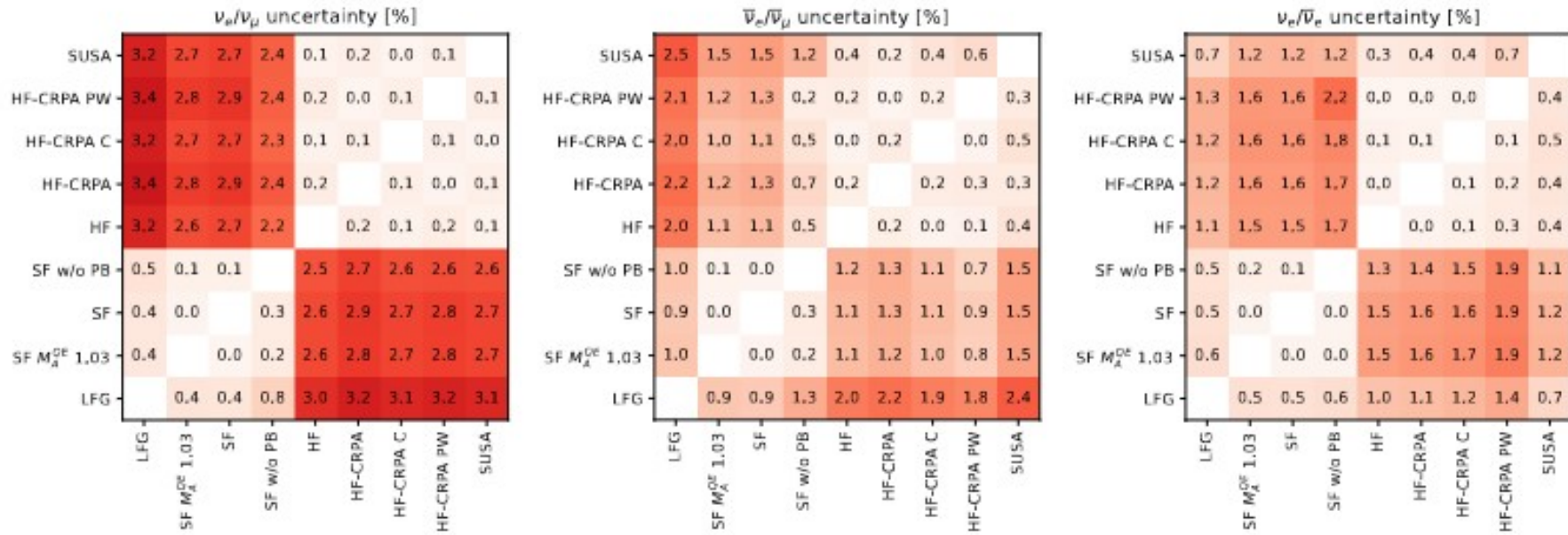


FIG. 3: The flux-averaged uncertainties in percent obtained by comparing the different cross section models shown in table I:  $\Delta_{\nu_e/\nu_\mu}$  (left),  $\Delta_{\bar{\nu}_e/\bar{\nu}_\mu}$  (centre),  $\Delta_{\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e}$  (right). The lower triangle is averaged over the event rate distribution predicted by the model given on the horizontal-axis, while the upper triangle contains the resulting values from the averaging over the model on the vertical-axis, resulting in an asymmetric matrix.

# Radiative corrections

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- Electrons and muons tend to emit **soft and collinear gammas with different probabilities depending on  $m_{lep}$  (small electron mass gives more emission)**

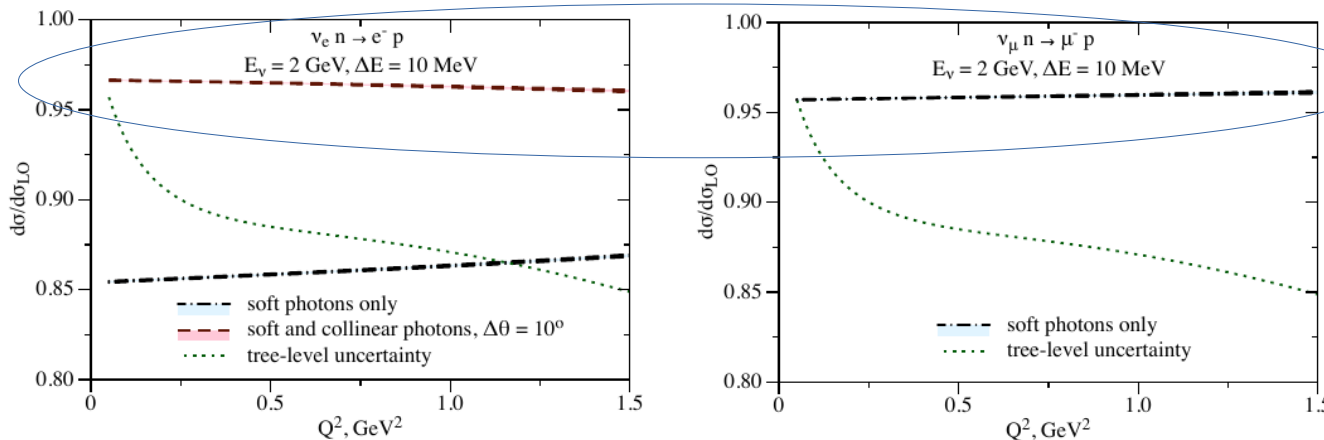
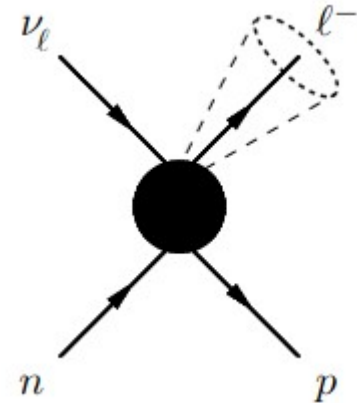
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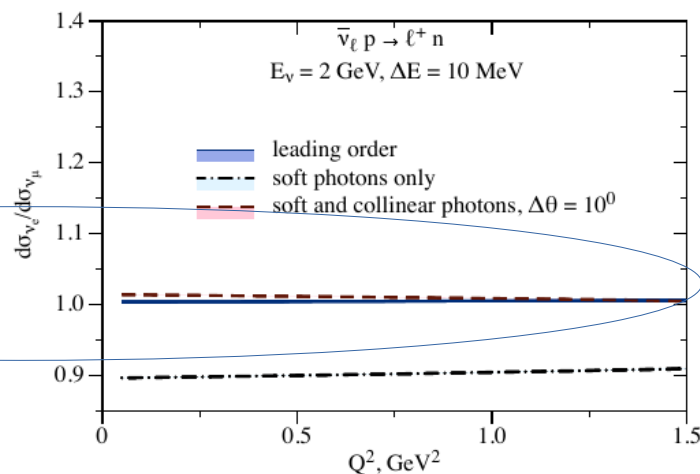
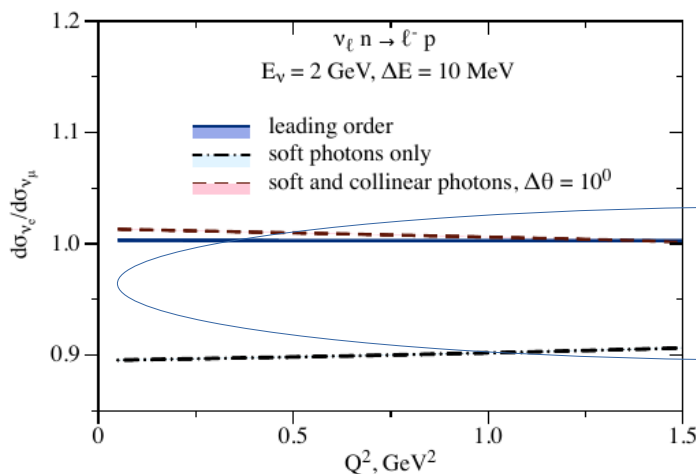
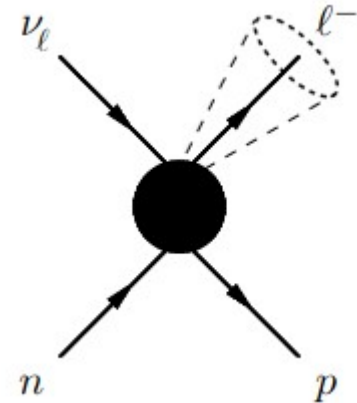
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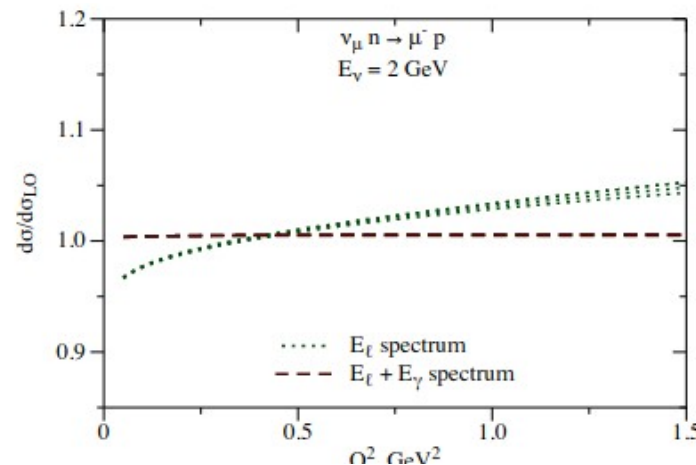
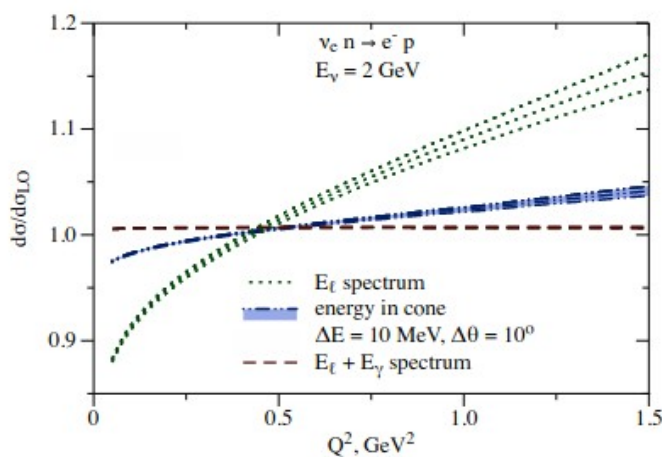
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We will need to use this theory calculation to get the kinematics right (but not so important, to first order, for CPV but important for precision measurement of  $\delta\text{CP}$ )



And again  $\nu$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  behave in the same way (correlated uncertainties)



# Summary

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The LBL domain is moving **from inclusive (lepton-only) to exclusive analysis (lepton+hadrons)** analysis to improve the **resolution of neutrino energy reconstruction.**

Actually, compulsory at energy higher than CCQE as in DUNE.

Need to control new effects: **'missing energy'**

→ important input from **ND280 upgrade neutron measurements**

→ important to **tune FSI models to external data (HADES!)** to correct for hadrons below threshold

*(A joint effort of the LBL domain on FSI tuning would be welcome!)*

A **'calorimetric' energy** reconstruction is not really inclusive given to the different response of detector to different particles: need to model exclusive final states to 'unfold' detector effects properly

(Recent FSI studies shows production of much more different particles: eg, nuclear clusters)

$\nu_e/\nu_\mu$  is the leading systematics on CP-violation discover (and MH determination) but **theory/phenomenological studies keep confirming small effects for xsec differences** (except in very specific phase space regions)



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## **Oscillation measurements at high statistics: statistical challenges and beyond**

# Oscillation probability

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Appearance

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = & 4c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 \sin^2 \Delta_{31} \times \left( 1 \pm \frac{2a}{\Delta m_{31}^2} (1 - s_{13}^2) \right) && \leftarrow \text{Leading term} \\
 & + 8c_{13}^2 s_{12} s_{13} s_{23} (c_{12} c_{23} \cos \delta - s_{12} s_{13} s_{23}) \cos \Delta_{32} \sin \Delta_{31} \sin \Delta_{21} && \leftarrow \text{CP Conserving} \\
 & \mp 8c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 \cos \Delta_{32} \sin \Delta_{31} \frac{aL}{4E} (1 - 2s_{13}^2) && \leftarrow \text{Matter effect} \\
 & \mp 8c_{13}^2 c_{12} c_{23} s_{12} s_{13} s_{23} \sin \delta \sin \Delta_{32} \sin \Delta_{31} \sin \Delta_{21} && \leftarrow \text{CP Violating} \\
 & + 4s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 (c_{12} c_{23} + s_{12}^2 s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 - 2c_{12} c_{23} s_{12} s_{13} s_{23} \cos \delta) \sin^2 \Delta_{21} && \leftarrow \text{Solar term}
 \end{aligned}$$

$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$  ,  $s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$      $\Delta_{ij} = \Delta m_{ij}^2 \frac{L}{4E_\nu}$      $a = 2\sqrt{2} G_F n_e E$

$\nu$  vs.  $\bar{\nu}$   
sign  
change

$\theta_{13}$  dependence    Octant sensitivity    CP-odd phase

- leading dependence on  $\delta_{CP}$  and MO (prop. to L), changing sign for  $\nu$  and  $\bar{\nu}$
- need large  $\theta_{13}$  to access  $\sin \delta_{CP}$  (sensitivity to  $\delta_{CP}$  from  $\nu$  only if  $\theta_{13}$  well known)
- subleading dependence on  $\cos \delta_{CP}$  → important for  $\delta_{CP}$  precision measurement

# Likelihood

$\mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}$  = main observable  $E_{\text{rec}}^{\nu}$   
 + others:  $\theta^u$  ( $\delta p_T, \dots$ ) to constrain  
 systematics and separate Sig/Backgr

$\mathbf{o}$  = oscillation parameters ( $\theta_{ij}, \delta_{\text{CP}}, \delta m^2_{ij}$ )  
 $\mathbf{f}$  = systematic parameters (xsec, flux,  
 detector model)

$$\mathcal{L}(\{N_s^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{x}_s^{\text{obs.}}\}_{\forall s}, \mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f}) = \prod_{s \in \text{samples}} \left[ \mathcal{L}_s(N_s^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{x}_s^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f}) \right] \times \mathcal{L}_{\text{sys.}}(\mathbf{f})$$

$$\sum_{i \in \text{bins}} \left[ \left( N_{s,i}^{\text{exp.}} - N_{s,i}^{\text{obs.}} \right) + N_{s,i}^{\text{obs.}} \times \ln \left( N_{s,i}^{\text{obs.}} / N_{s,i}^{\text{exp.}} \right) \right]$$

$$N_{s,i}^{\text{exp.}} = N_{s,i}^{\text{exp.}}(\mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f})$$

$$N_b^{\text{exp.}}(\mathbf{o}) = \sum_{\nu, e} T(\nu, e, b) \times P_{\text{osc}}(\nu, e, \mathbf{o})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{sys.}} = \exp \left( -0.5 \sum_{i,j} v_i M_{ij} v_j \right),$$

Covariance matrix of the  
 systematics (constrained from ND  
 fit + external measurements)

Maximize the likelihood over  $\mathbf{o}$  and  $\mathbf{f}$  (ie, for  $N_{\text{exp}} \approx N_{\text{obs}}$ ).

**How to treat the ‘nuisances’ = parameters which are not of direct interest (systematics but also other oscillation parameters when we project on 1-dimensional results)**

# Profiling versus marginalization

- **Profiling** ('frequentist') is 'easy'... = minimize over all parameters

$$(\mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f})_{\text{Bestfit}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f}} \mathcal{L}(N^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{x}^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f})$$

... actually, difficult to cover 'discrete' options: different MH, different octants due to local minima → multiple fits and then chose the lower chi2

- 'Bayesian' approach = **marginalization** (better take into account non-gaussianity?)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{marg}}(N^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{x}^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{o}) = \int d\mathbf{f} \mathcal{L}(N^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{x}^{\text{obs.}}, \mathbf{o}, \mathbf{f}).$$

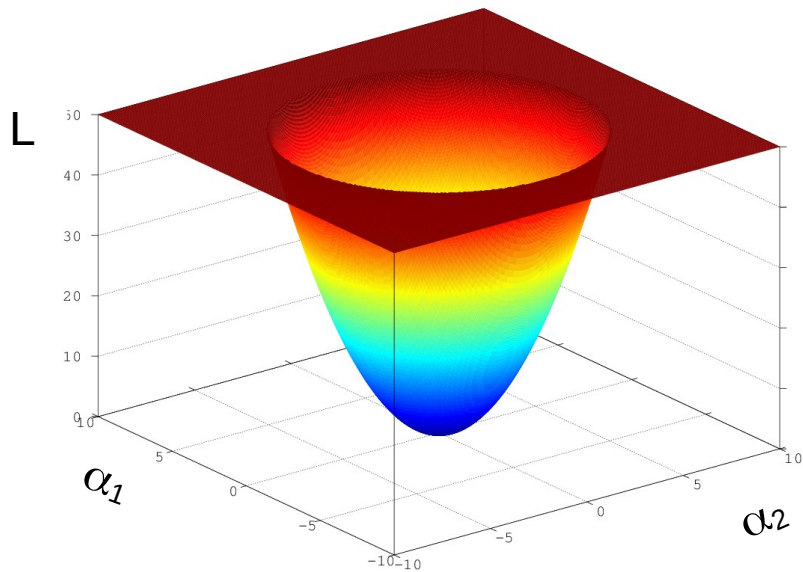
$$\int d\mathbf{f} \mathcal{L}_{\text{sys.}}(\mathbf{f}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \quad \text{Throw } N \text{ toys over nuisances distribution: } N \text{ could be}$$

\*really\* large for high statistics (= N fits)

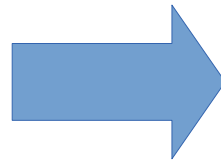
→ Distribution of (marginalized) likelihood versus the parameter of interest

# Complex likelihood surface!

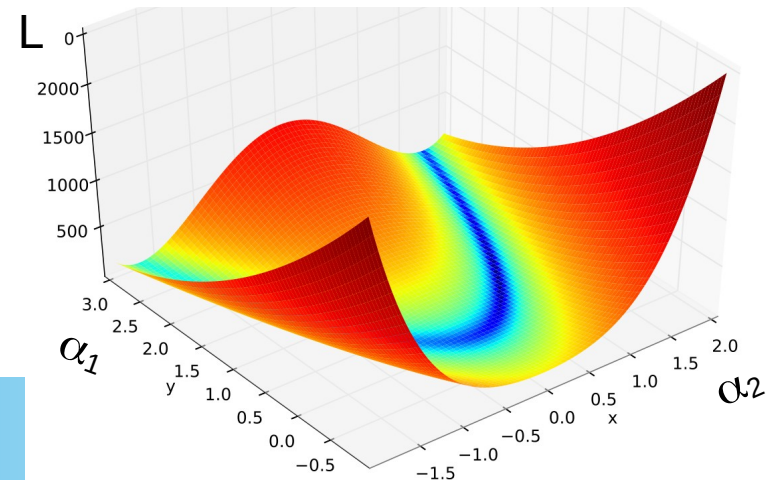
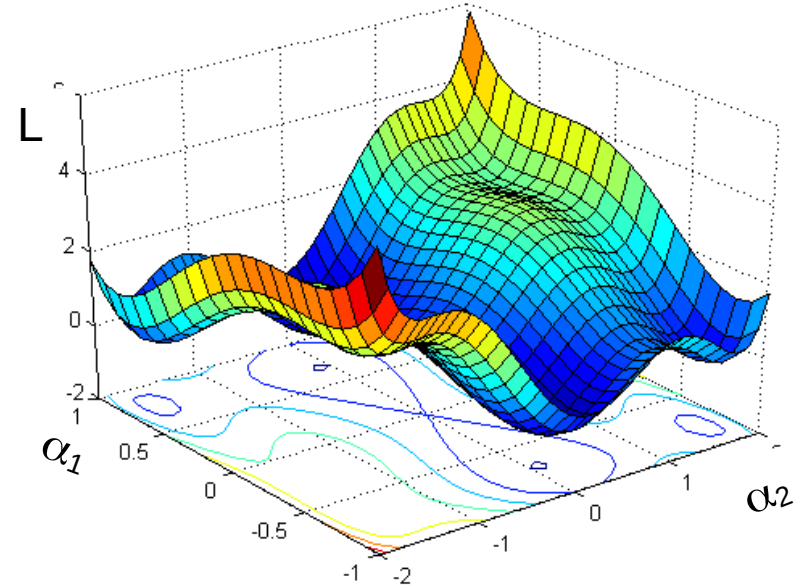
The likelihood may have **multiple minima**  
+ you can have **complex functional inter-dependency**  
**of the parameters**  
(certainly true for oscillation parameters in PMNS  
paradigm: see oscillation formula)



Ideal world

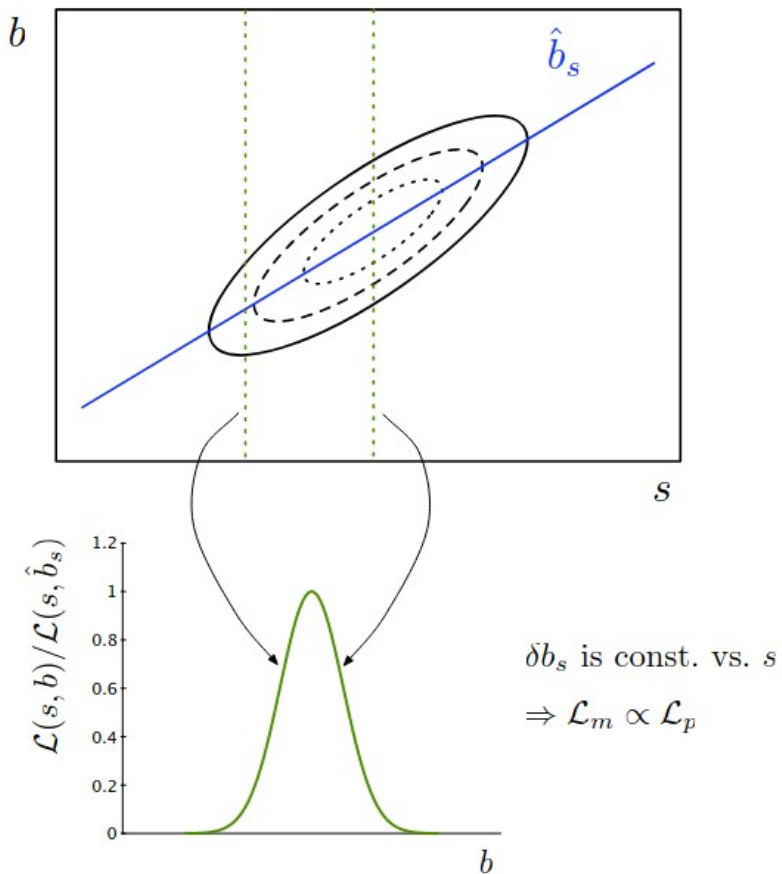


Real life in oscillation  
measurements!

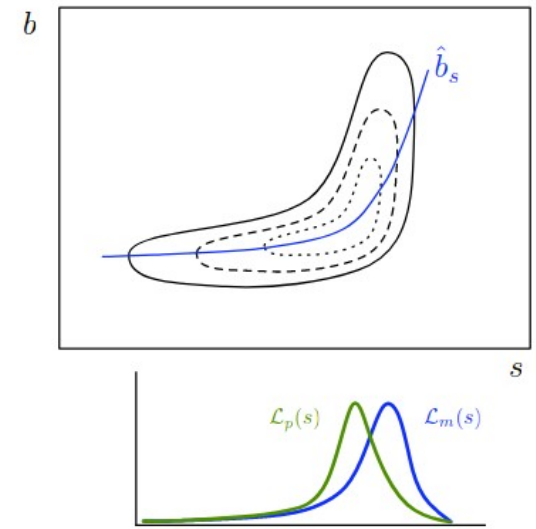
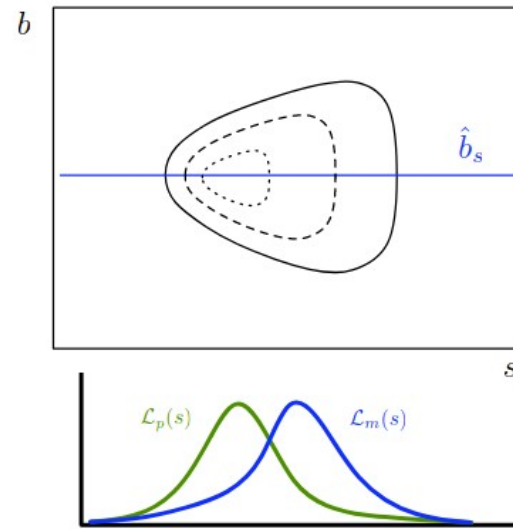


# Profiling vs marginalization?

Profiling ~ marginalization, if error on POI  $s$  ~ constant over  $b$  nuisances

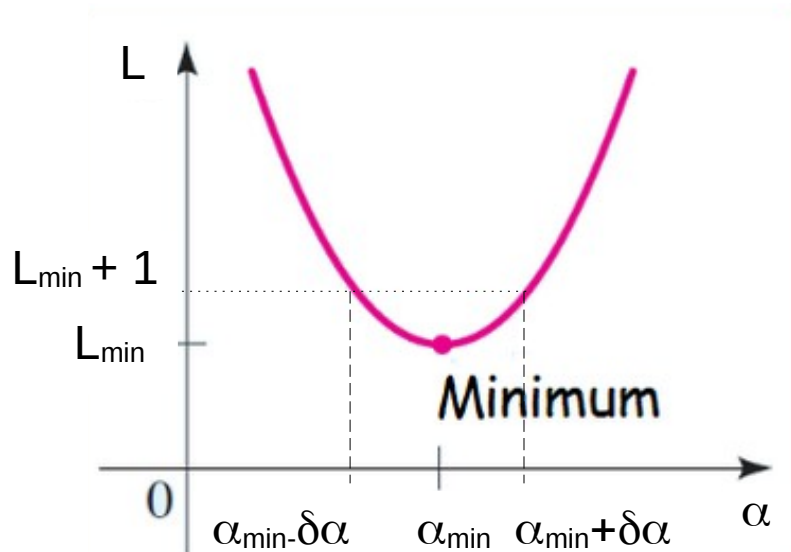


If error on POI  $s$  changes with nuisance  $b$  values and/or non linear correlation then **results can be widely different!**



# Non Gaussianity

MINUIT (or any other algorithm) will find the minimum for you



Typically real world is never perfectly Gaussian

→ **toys: run many fits sampling the nuisances parameters around 'true' values**

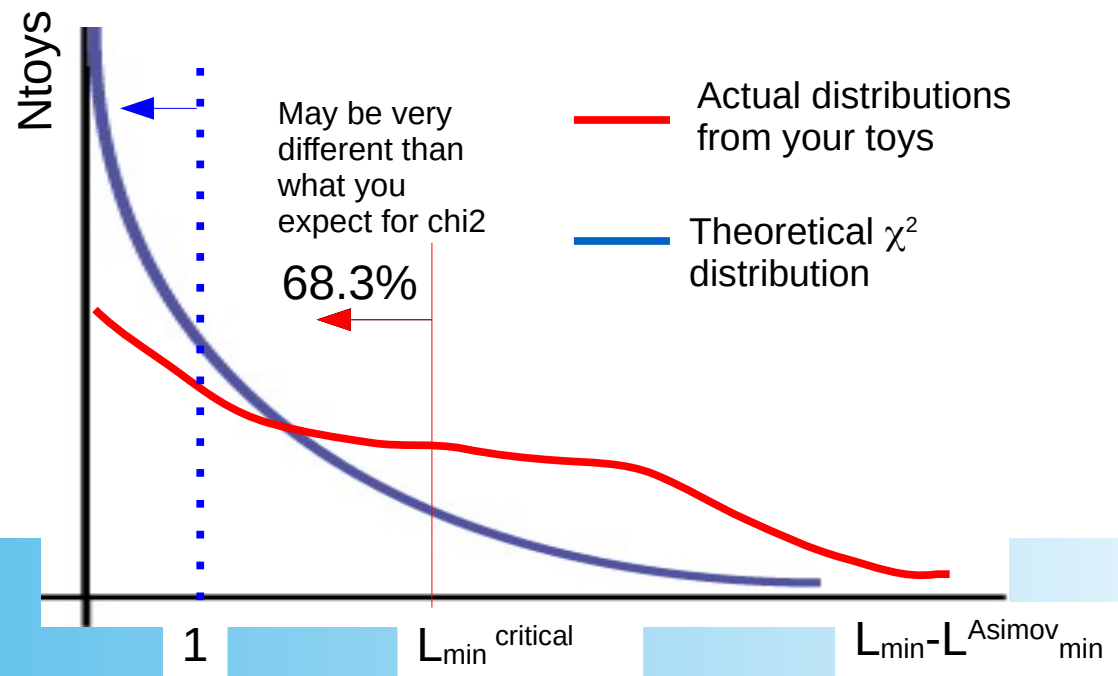
→ **look at distribution of  $L - L_{\text{true}}$**

e.g. integrate over 68% of your results to know the  $\Delta L \sim '1\sigma'$  error

How to define "1 sigma" error on  $\alpha$ ?

If the likelihood is a  $\chi^2$ , ie all your uncertainties have a Gaussian distribution then you have the simple  $\chi^2$  rules

$$L_{\min} + 1 \rightarrow \alpha_{\min} \pm \delta\alpha$$



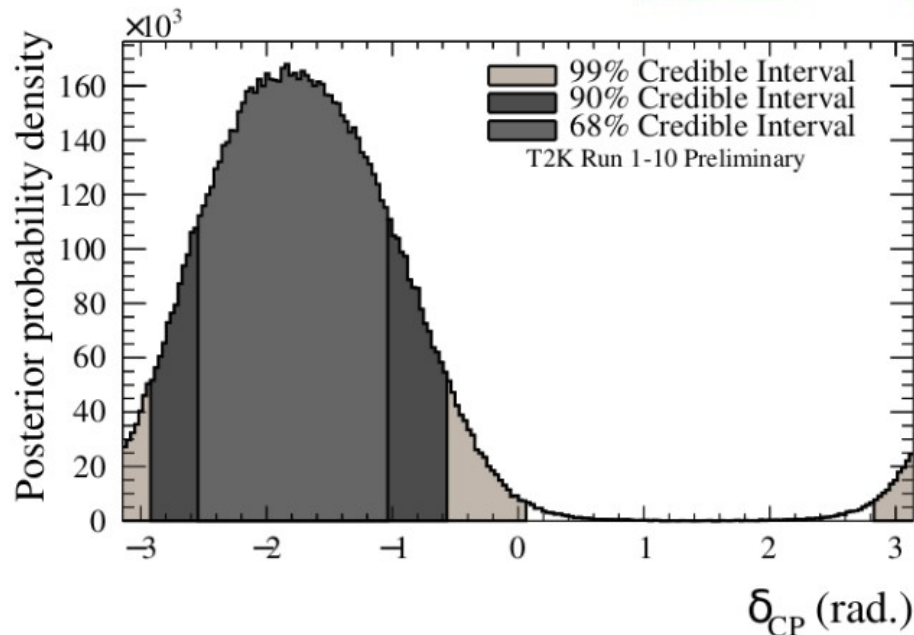


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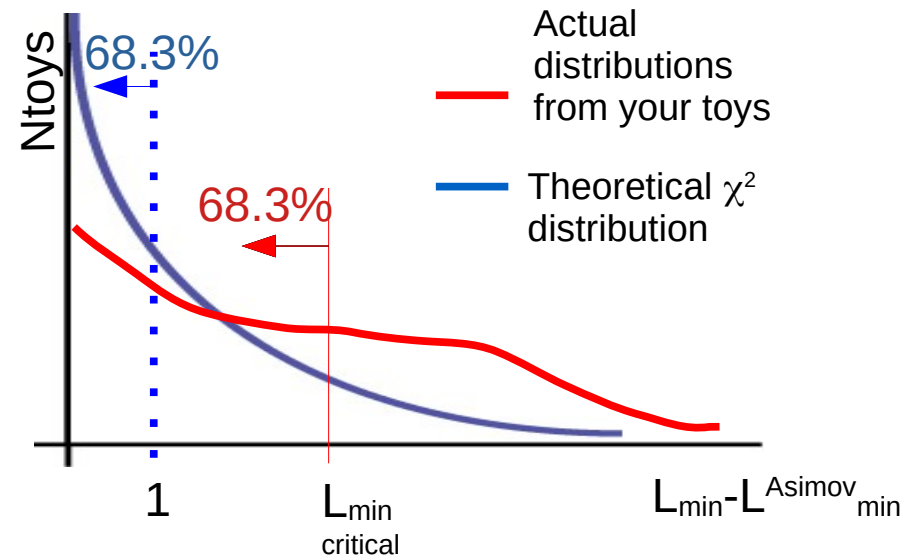
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**Confidence intervals (Fieldman Cousin):** throw toys over the MC likelihood around best fit value  $\rightarrow$  build distribution of likelihood values and define critical values which correspond to 1/2/3  $\sigma$  looking at the % of toys (68.3, 95.45, 99.73)

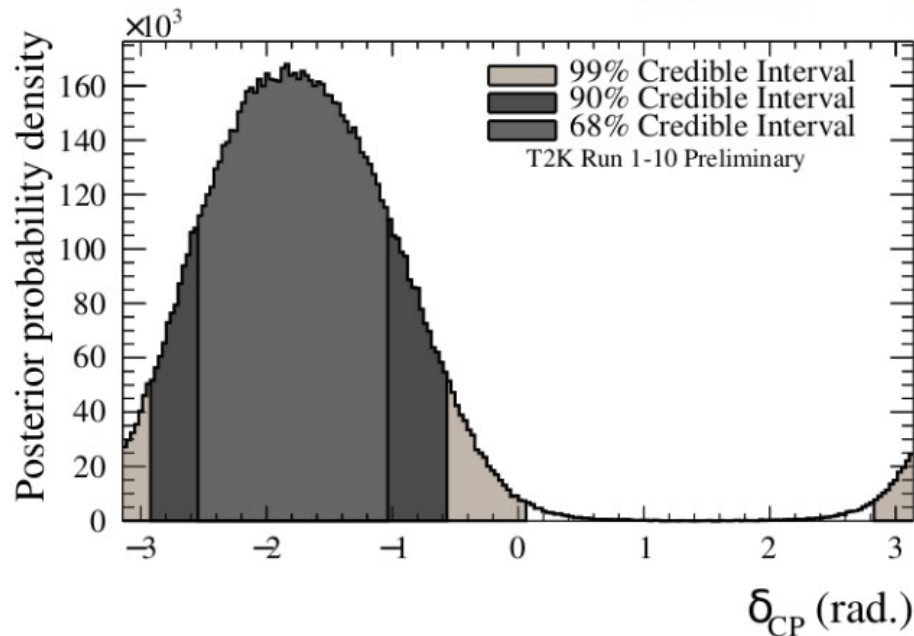


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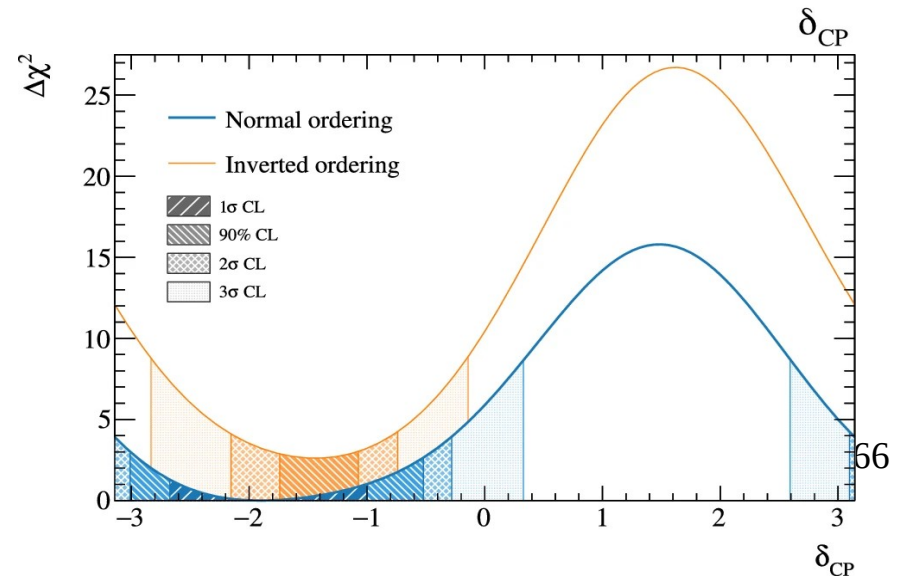
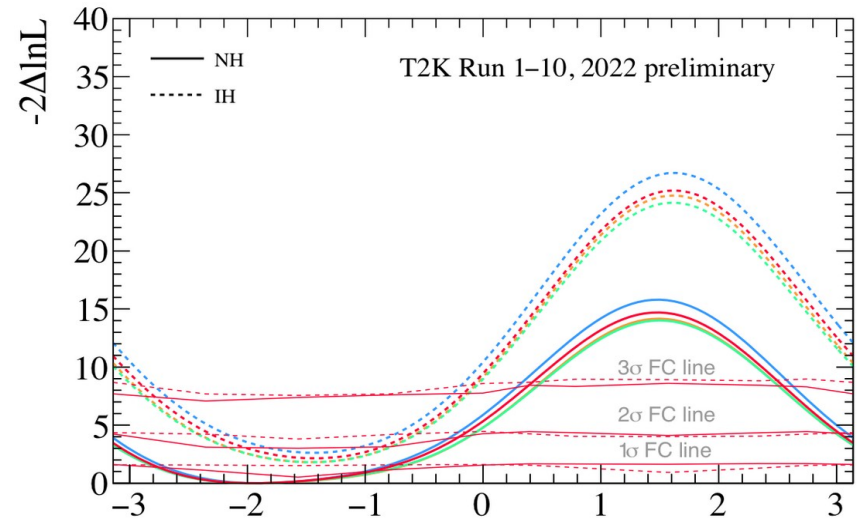
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# Priors / sampling

**Bayesian results depends on prior:**

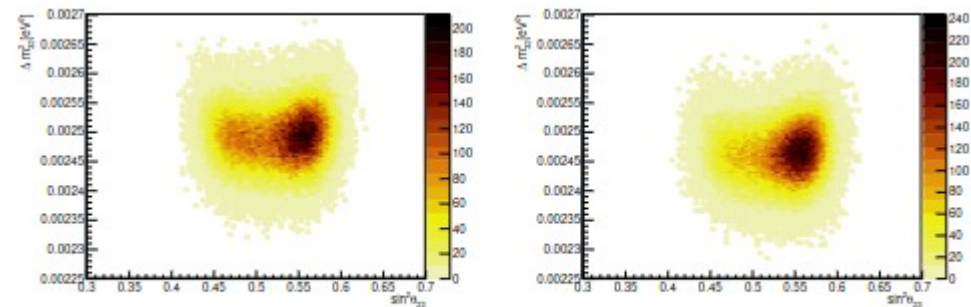
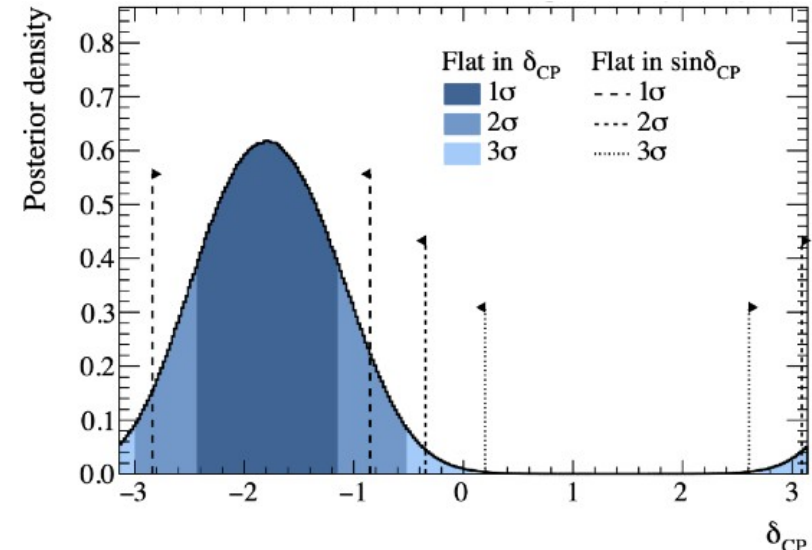
Eg, how to sample  $\delta_{CP}$ ? Flat in  $\delta_{CP}$  or flat in  $\sin\delta_{CP}$ ?  
The result is different!

A ‘practically similar’ dependency is present in Feldman Cousin confidence intervals: **how you sample the nuisances in Feldman Cousin toys?**

T2K choice for  $\delta_{CP}$ : the  $\sin\theta_{23}$ ,  $\delta m^2_{23}$  parameters are generated according to the result of an Asimov fit corresponding to the best-fit point

→ we do have seen sizable difference on critical values expected at high statistics by changing the sampling distribution of  $\sin\theta_{23}$ ,  $\delta m^2_{23}$

(Another interesting problem: sample the systematic nuisance over priors or posteriors?)

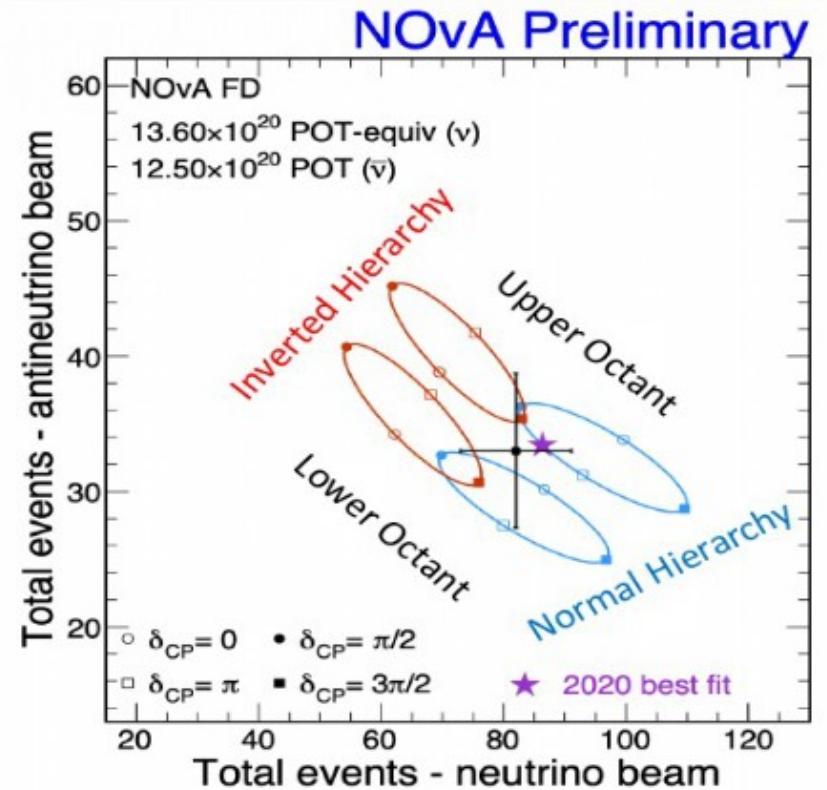
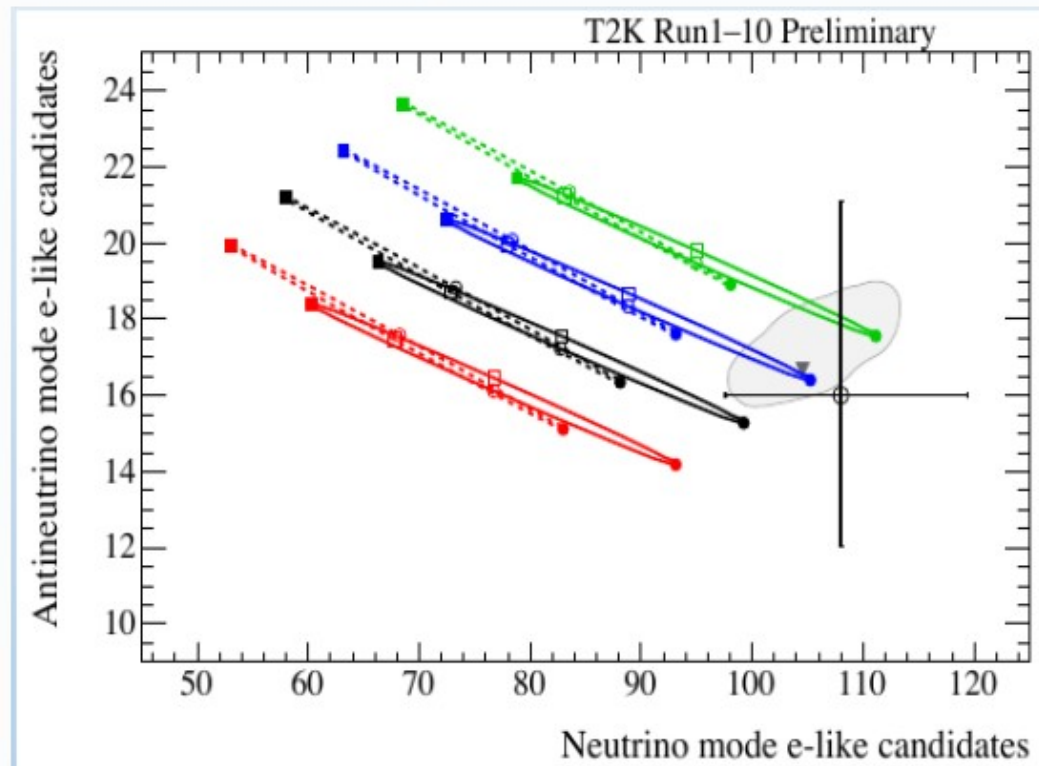


(b)  $\Delta m^2_{32}$  vs.  $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$  (NH)

(c)  $|\Delta m^2_{31}|$  vs.  $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$  (IH)

# At the core of the problem...

**Non gaussianity** is due to cyclic nature of parameters (eg angles between  $0, \pi$ ) + degeneracies ( $\delta_{CP}$  vs MH) + boundary conditions (PMNS limits)



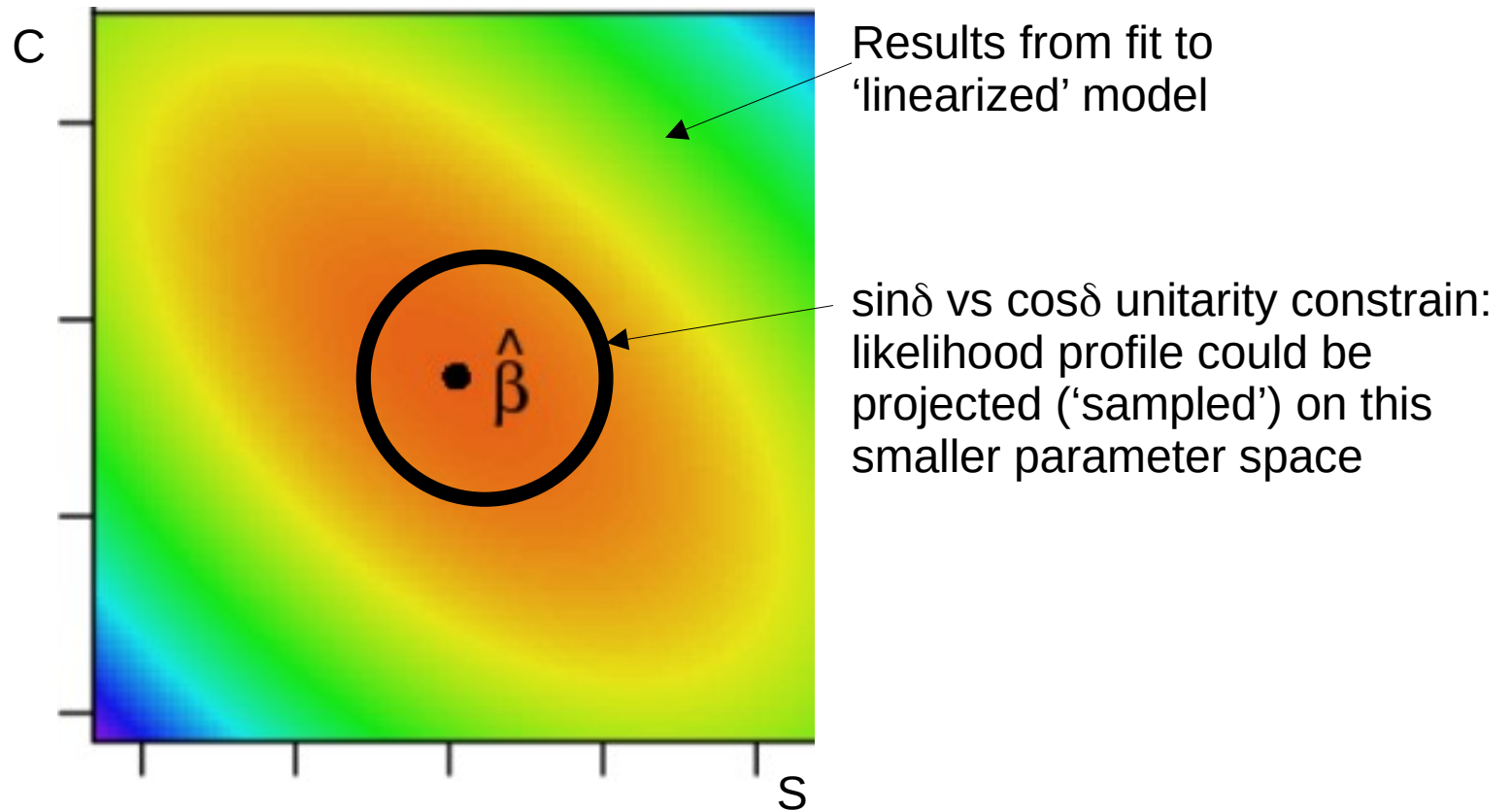
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- $\circ \delta_{CP} = \pi$
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- $\square \delta_{CP} = 0$
- $\bullet \delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$
- $\square$  68% syst err. at best-fit
- $\blacktriangledown$  Best-fit
- $\ominus$  Data (68% stat err.)

# Better parametrizations?

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$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) \sim A_{\alpha\beta} \sin \delta + B_{\alpha\beta} \cos \delta + C_{\alpha\beta} = A_{\alpha\beta} S + B_{\alpha\beta} C + C_{\alpha\beta}$$

Where we can take **S** and **C** to be free parameters between **-inf, +inf** and projected back into whatever parametrization (eg PMNS) we wish (after the fit!) → much more 'Gaussian' fit



Probably possible also for  $\sin^2\theta_{23}$  (normalization) but more difficult for  $\delta m^2$ ...

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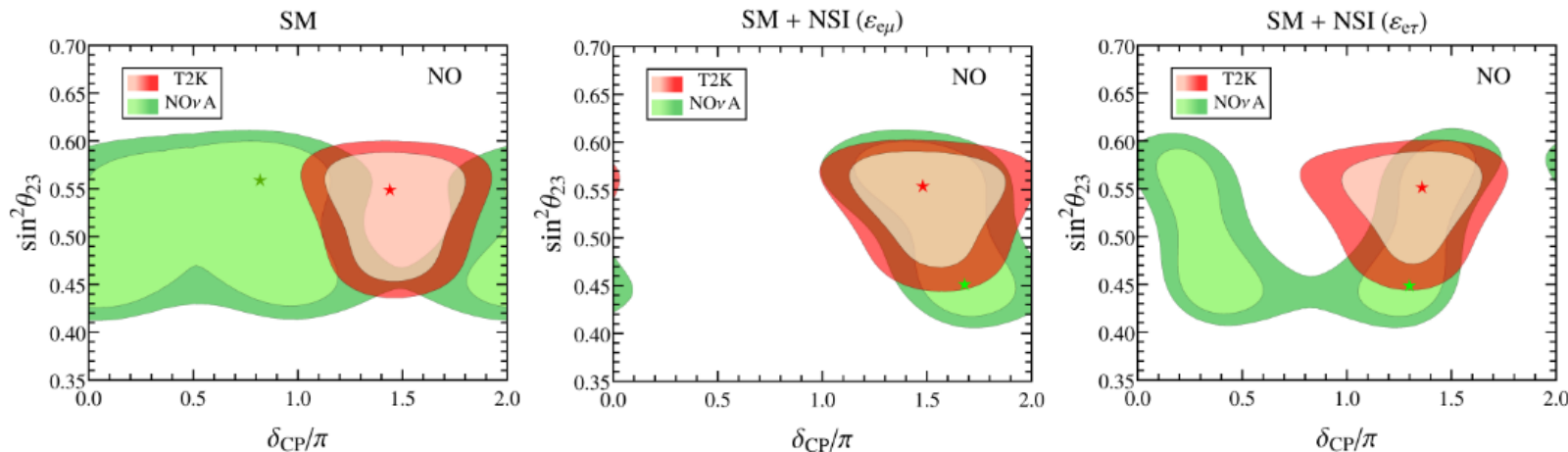
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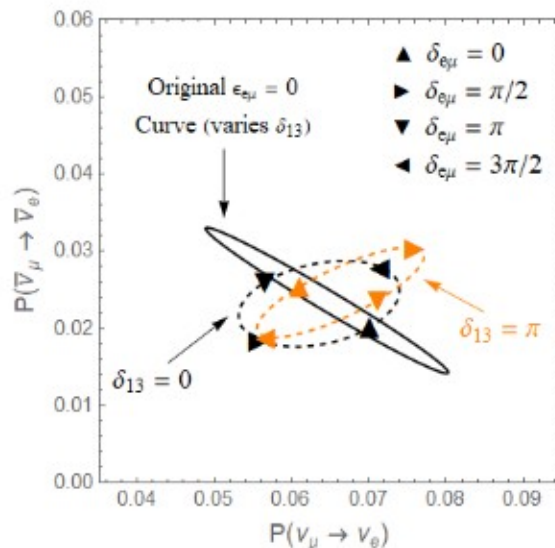
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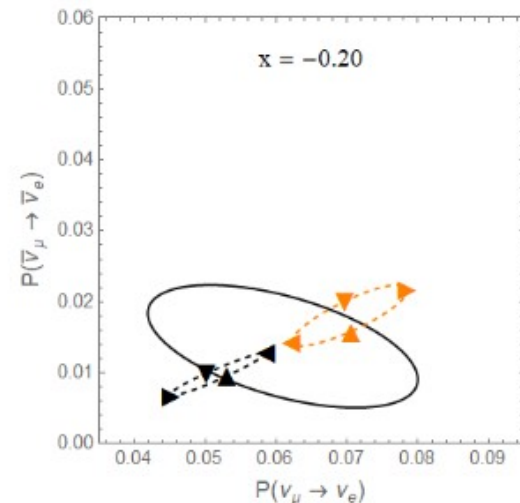
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Eg: new sources of CP-violation in Non Standard Interactions from non-diagonal terms in matter potential



moving to different (L/E)





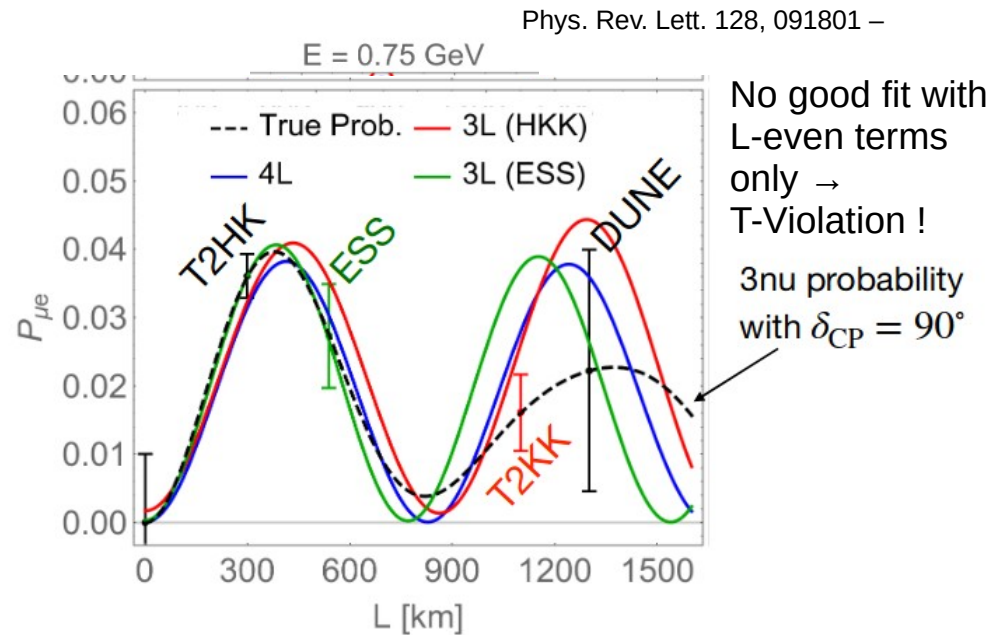
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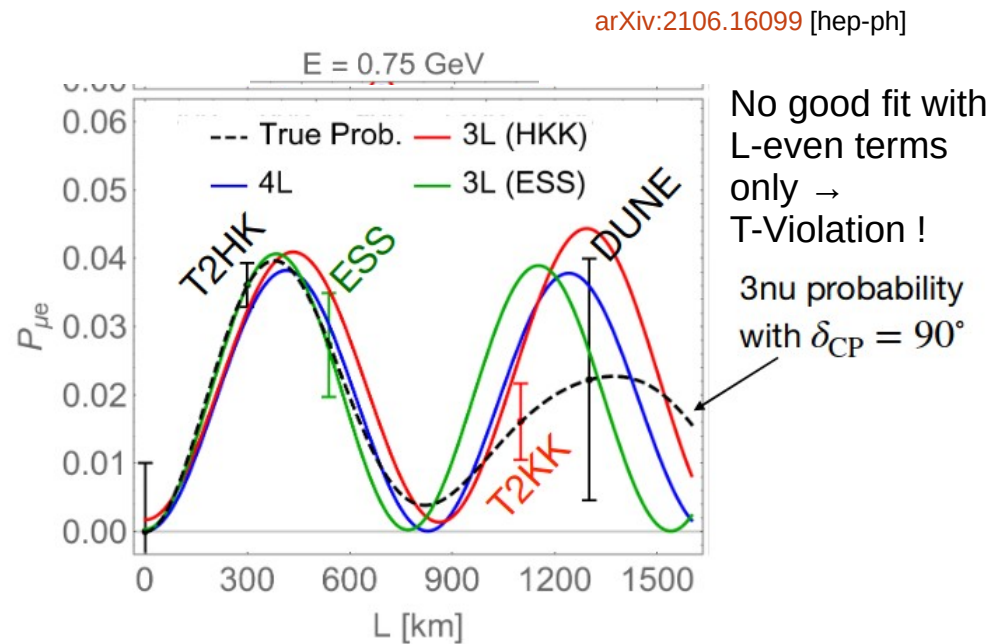
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- Combination of experiments will be crucial for a **comprehensive and open-minded** characterization of  $\nu$  oscillations  
Crucial to have a coherent program of Near Detectors + establish a common language in terms of nuclear models, ...

A rehearsal: T2K+NOVA combination (really though!!)  
It is difficult! → Start to plan for it well in advance!



# Summary

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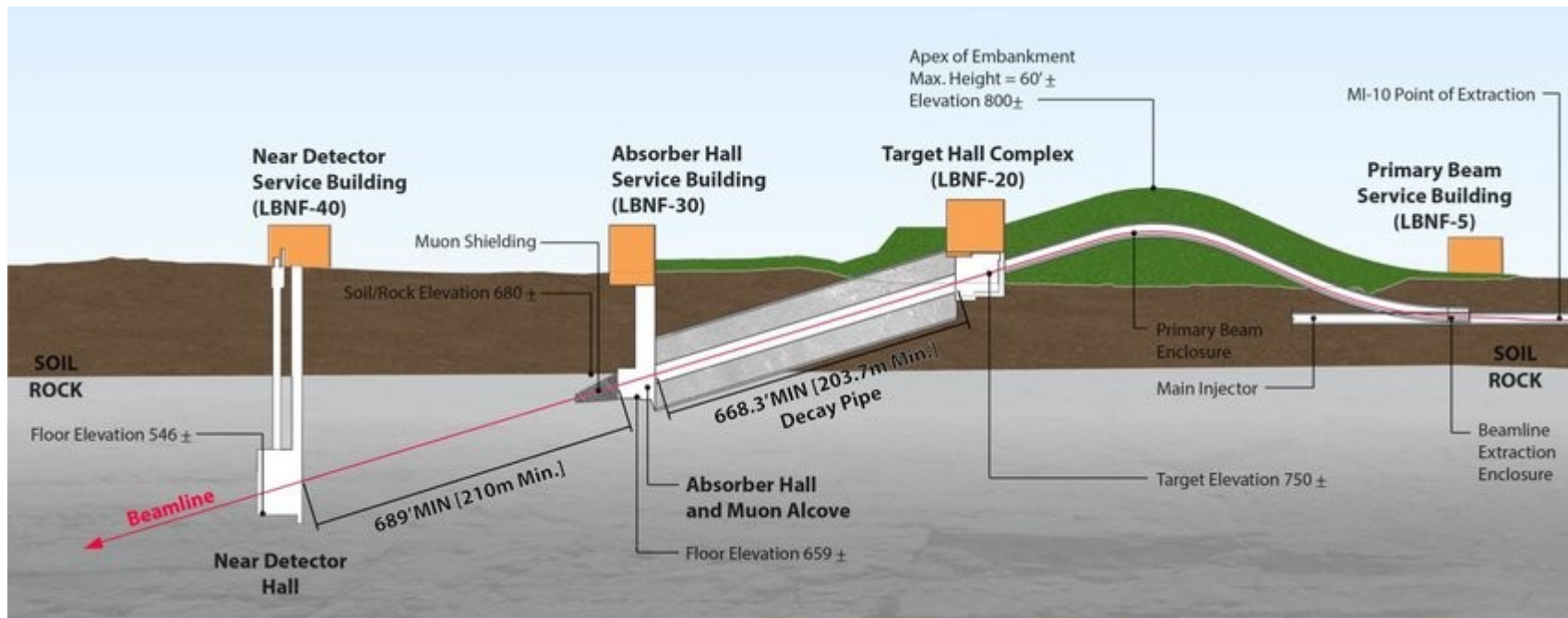
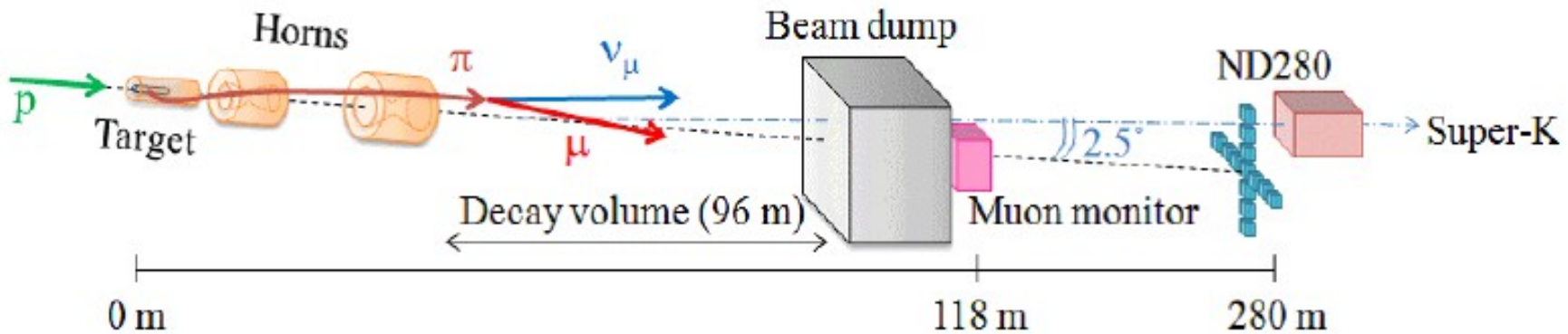
- Correct **statistical treatment of oscillation measurements at high statistics** is challenging. There is a lot of (possibly arbitrary) choices which needs to be made
  - **important to have detailed and wide discussion inside the LBL community (eg PHYSTAT workshops: T2K and NOVA are opening the road!)**The target is not necessarily to use the same approach but to understand each other!  
Especially important in view of future joint fits
  
- Generic but 'clever' **beyond PMNS parametrizations** are common in phenomenology studies: we should also start to investigate them in the experimental community (T2K is moving in that direction)
  - **joint fits are absolutely crucial for beyond-PMNS characterization of oscillation behavior**
  
- **Joint fits are incredibly difficult in LBL domain: a lot of (partial) correlation in the xsec and flux modeling → need to discuss and plan for it well in advance!**  
**Today is not too early!**

# BACKUP

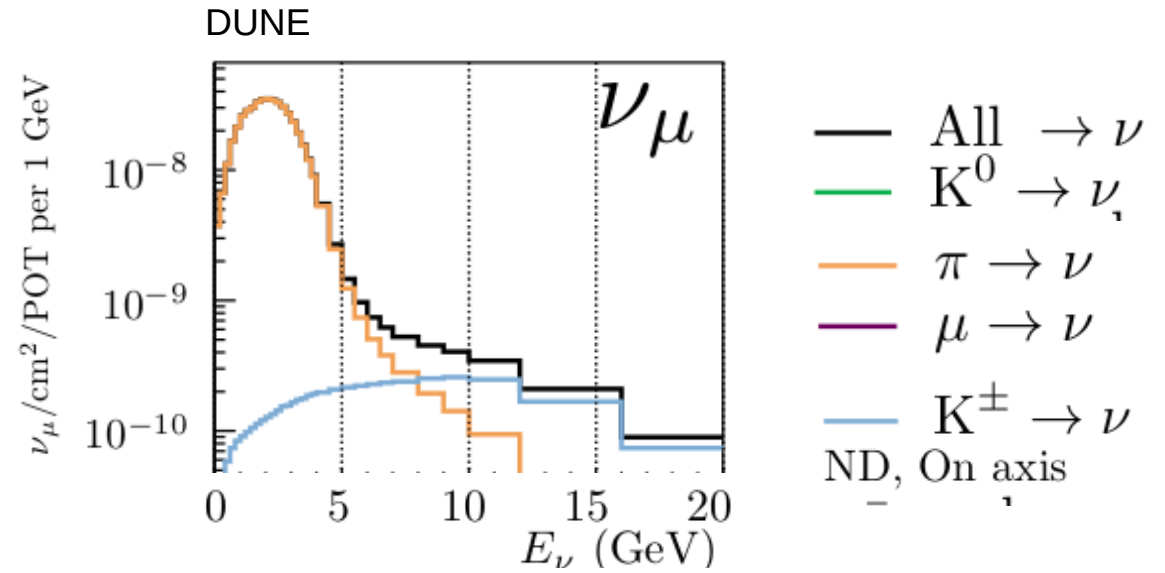
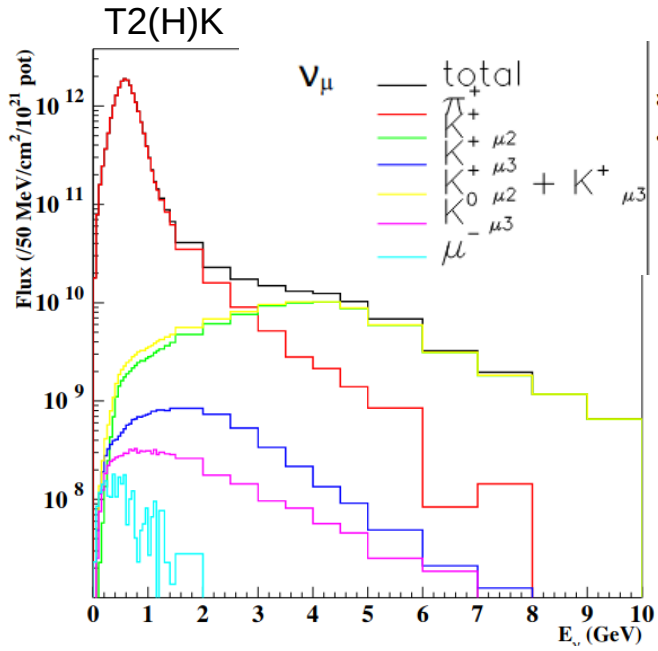
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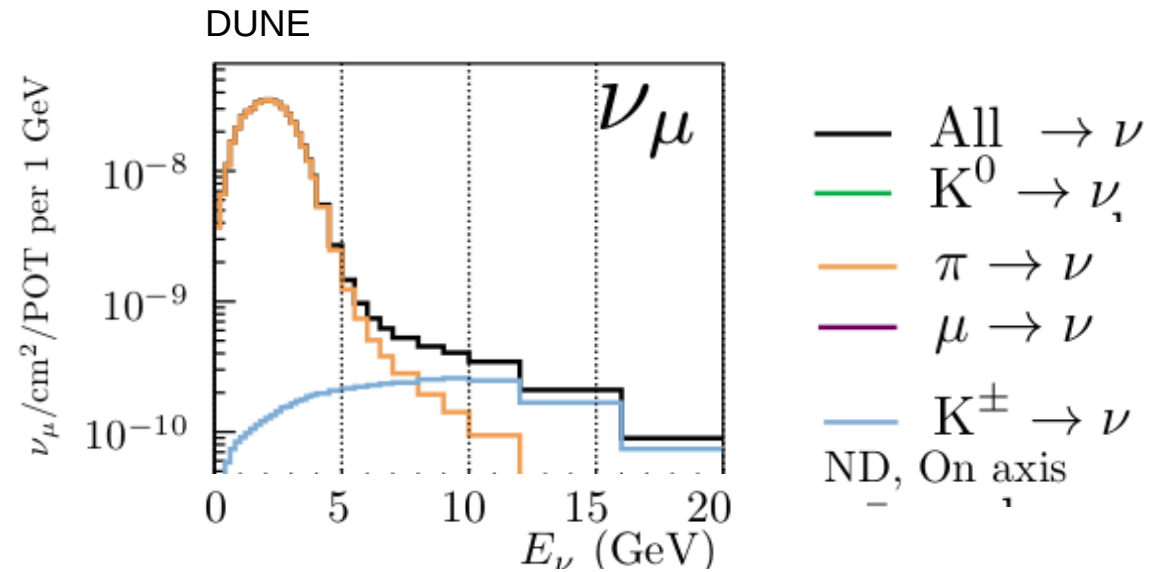
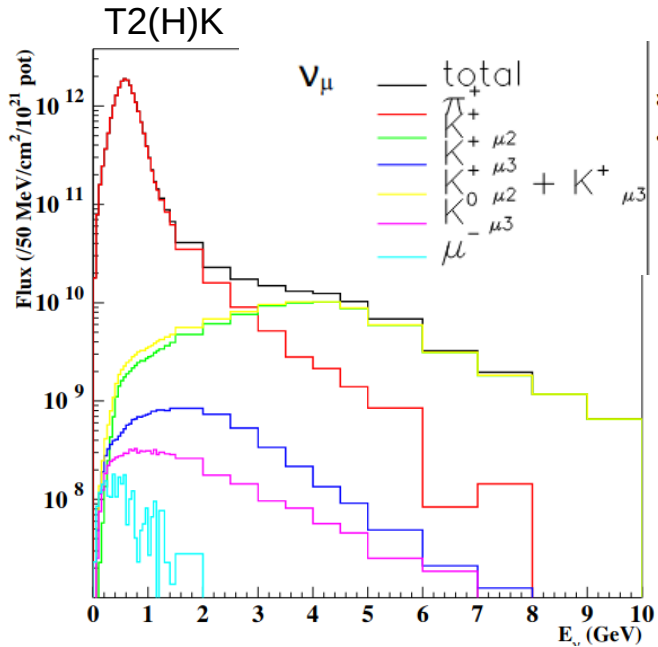
# Neutrino 'beams': T2(H)K and DUNE examples



# $\nu_\mu$ flux



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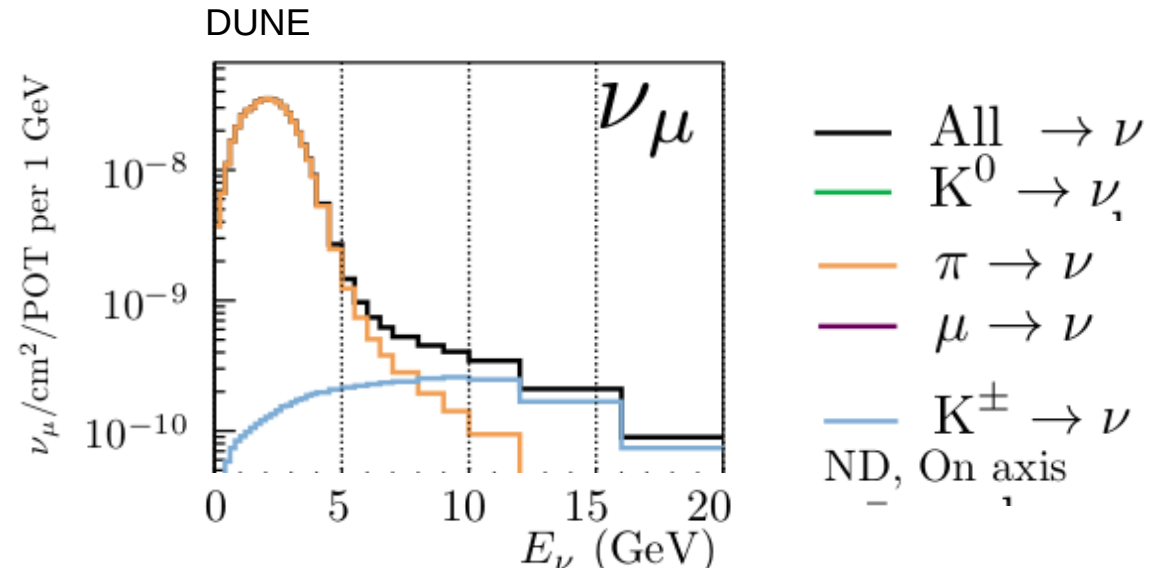
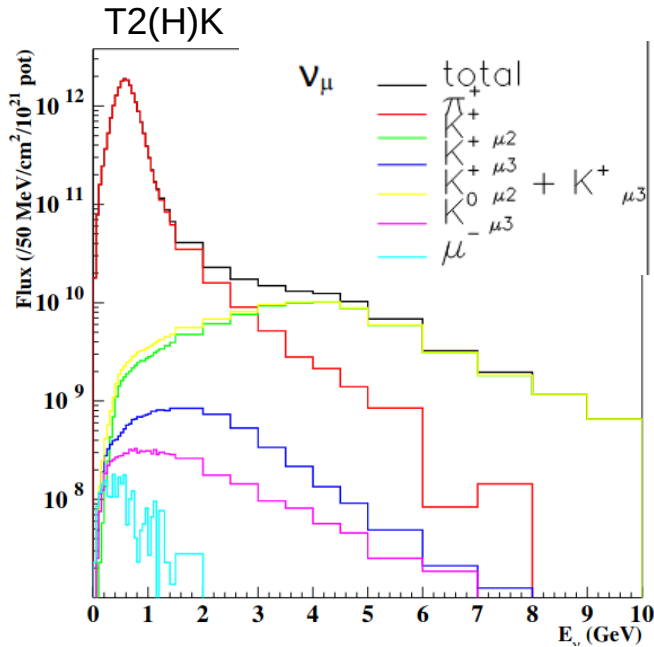
## T2K

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$K^\pm$	1.4(1.3)%	2.6(0.2)%	10.0(0.1)%	8.8(0.0)%
$K_L^0$	0.0(0.0)%	0.4(0.1)%	3.2(0.0)%	21.3(0.0)%

Proton interactions in the target  $\rightarrow$  production of 'secondary' hadrons on Carbon

Re-interactions of hadrons with target, horns, vessel, beam dump...  $\rightarrow$  production of 'tertiary hadrons' on C (or other materials)

# Flux tuning

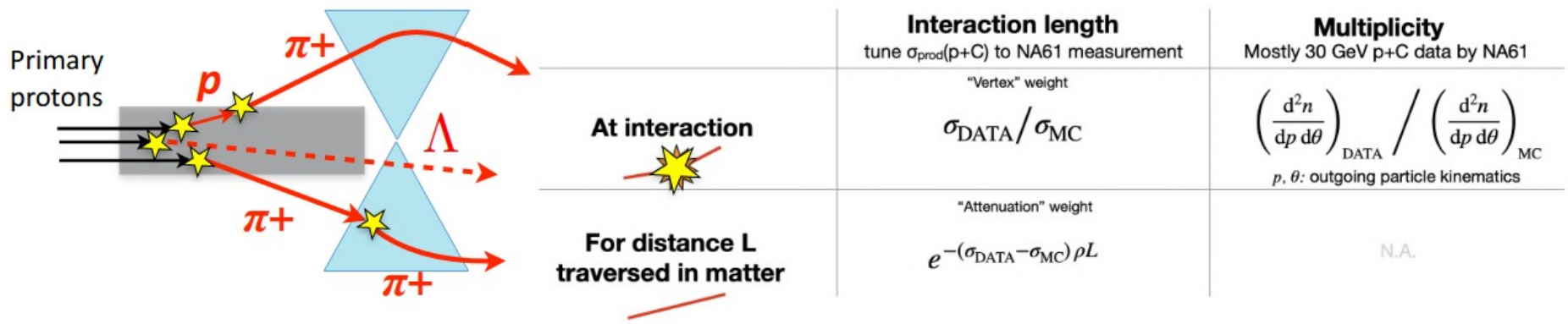
Simulation of hadron interactions with the target and all the beamline with **GEANT** and **FLUKA**

The simulations are tuned using external measurement from hadro-production experiments (NA61/SHINE and more...)

**Total probability of hadron interactions and outgoing hadron multiplicity** as a function of **incoming proton momentum** and **outgoing hadron momentum and angle** are tuned to match the hadro-production measurements:

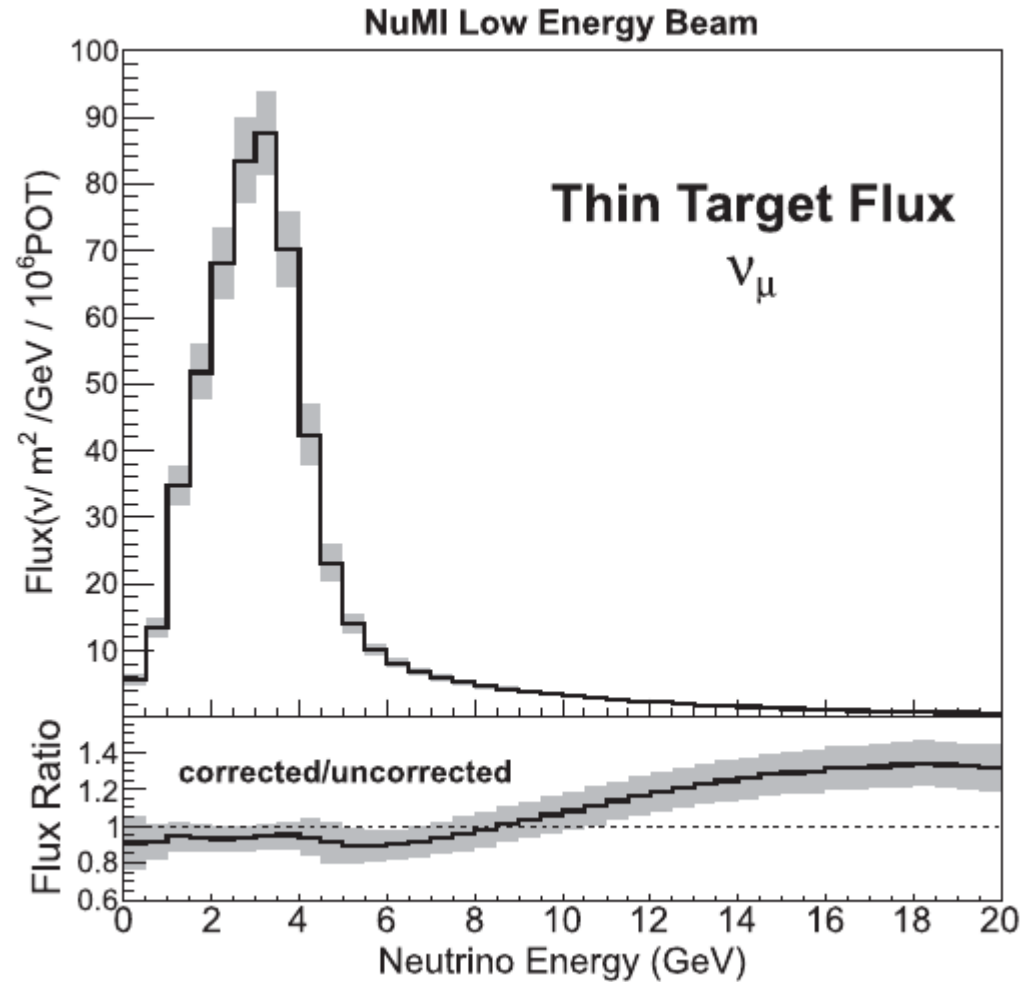
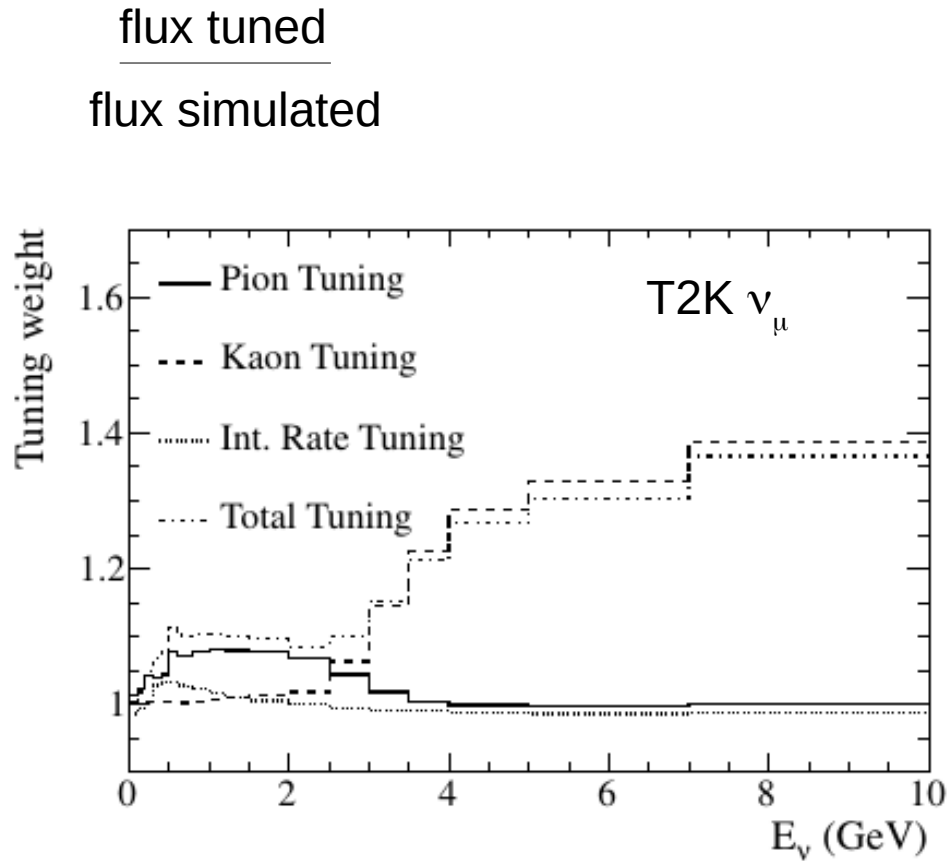
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Important point: **due to pion rescattering (in target and in beamline material) need data for different targets + at different proton and hadron energy!**

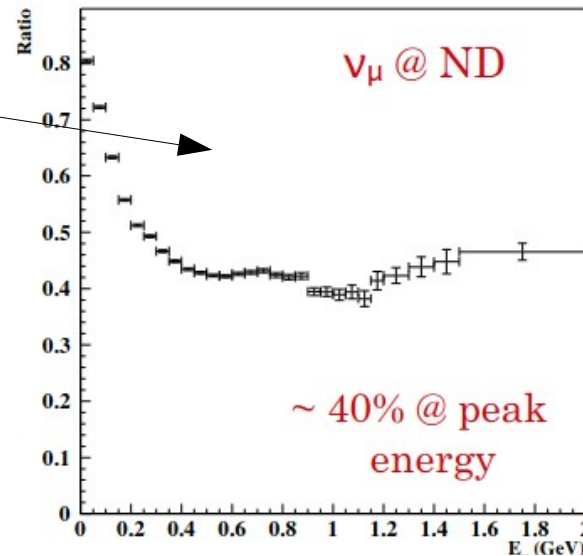
# Example of tuning factors



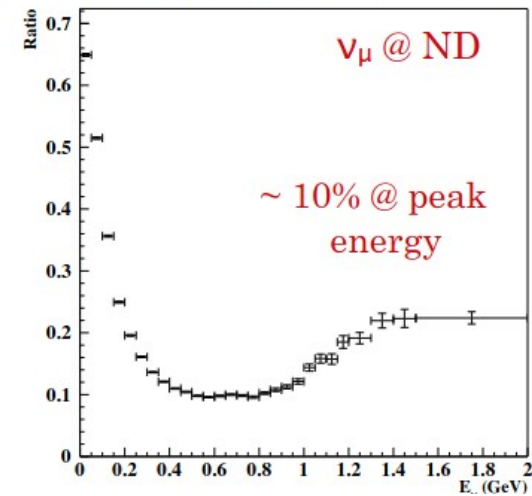
# Need for replica target

Fraction of neutrinos from re-interactions in the target and in the beam line (~40%)

→ **measurement of hadro-production with 'replica target'** (= same target geometry as the neutrino experiment) allows to tune 90% of the flux (60% with thin target)

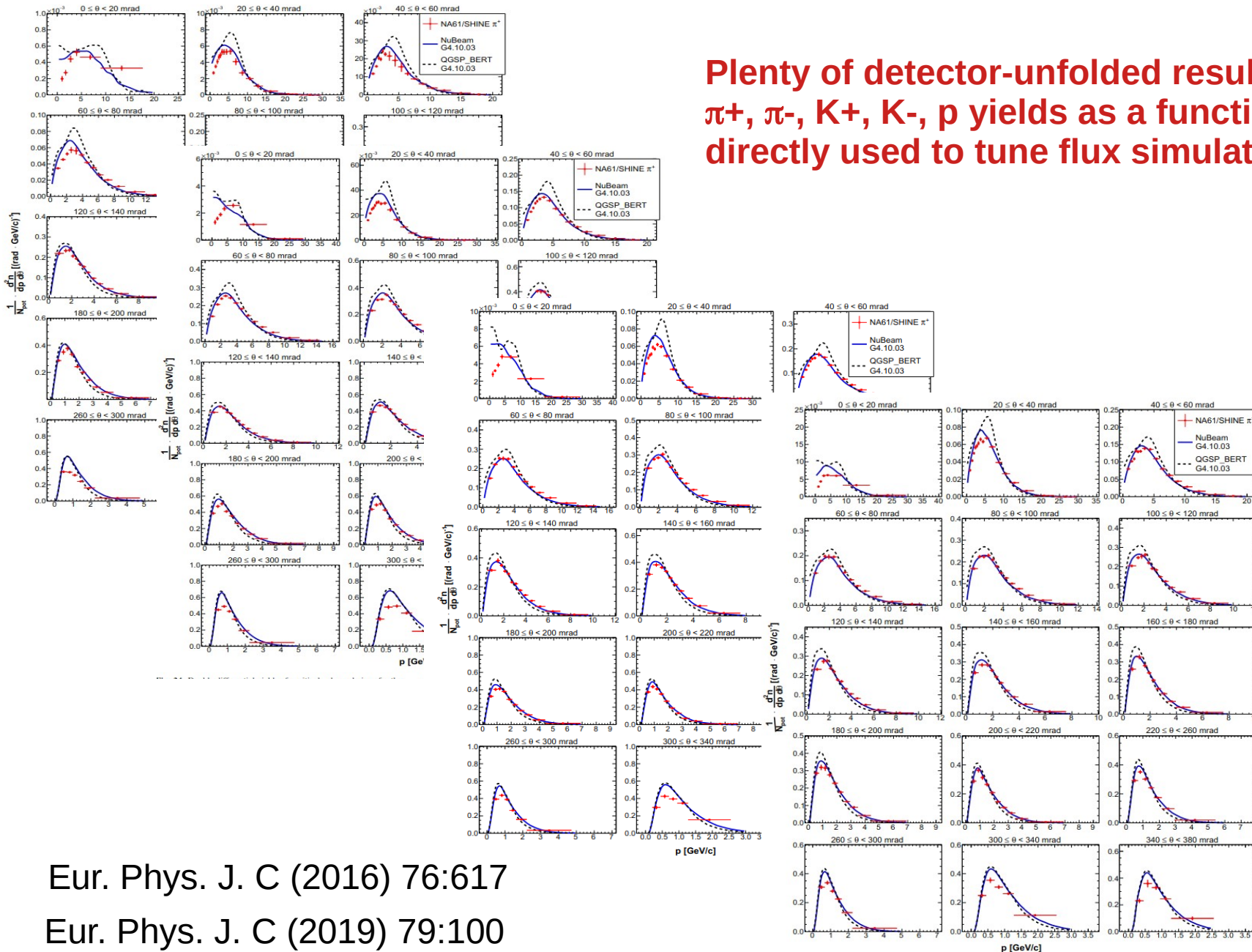


re-interactions in the beamline



# NA61 results with replica target

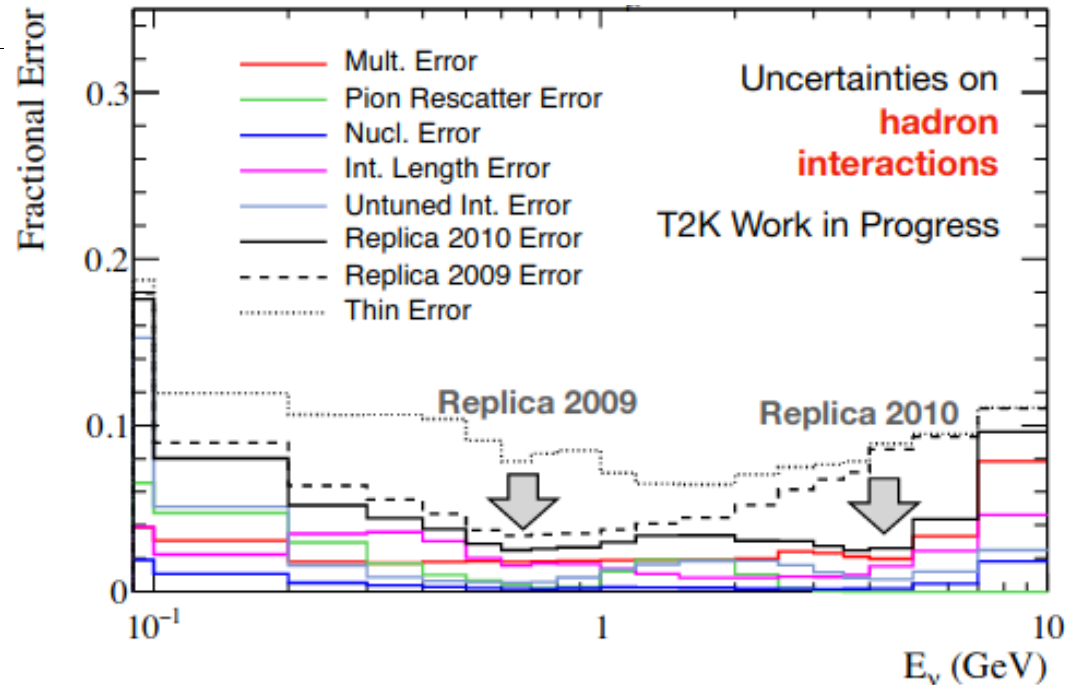
Plenty of detector-unfolded results:  
 $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $K^-$ ,  $p$  yields as a function of  $p$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $Z_{\text{target}}$   
 directly used to tune flux simulation



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# Flux uncertainties

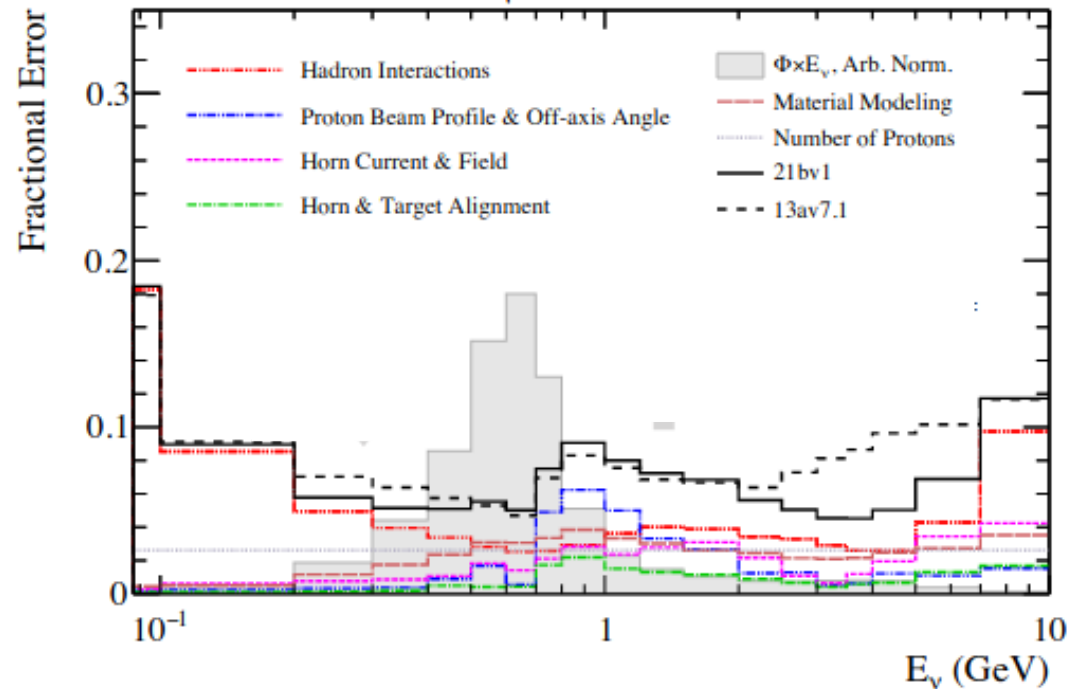


**Huge improvement** (~factor 2) of hadron-interaction uncertainties using NA61/SHINE replica target data (<5% in the flux peak)

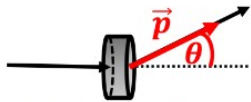
## Total flux uncertainties today:

- low energy: hadron-interactions (especially total xsec evaluation)
- peak energy: modeling of (non-target) beamline material
- high energy: beam profile & off-axis angle

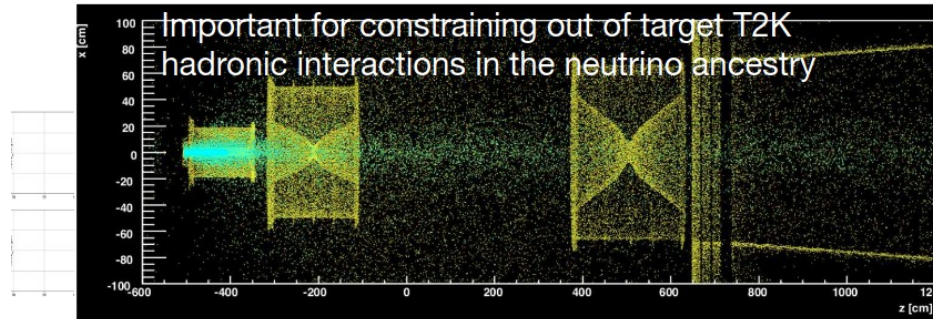
## SK: Neutrino Mode, $\nu_\mu$



# Future prospects

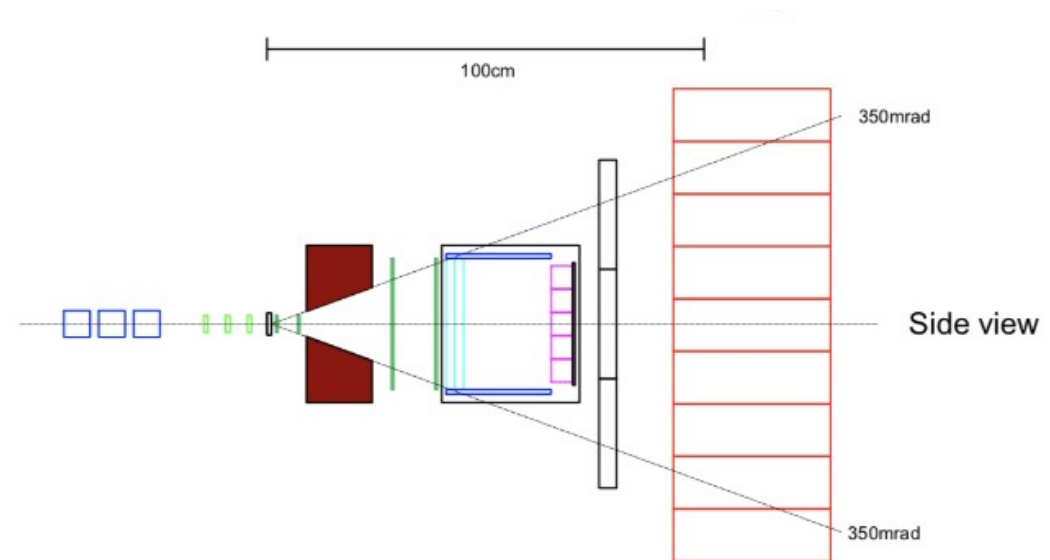


Thin targets from various materials (Al, Fe, Ti, H<sub>2</sub>O etc.), with different hadrons beam incident on them

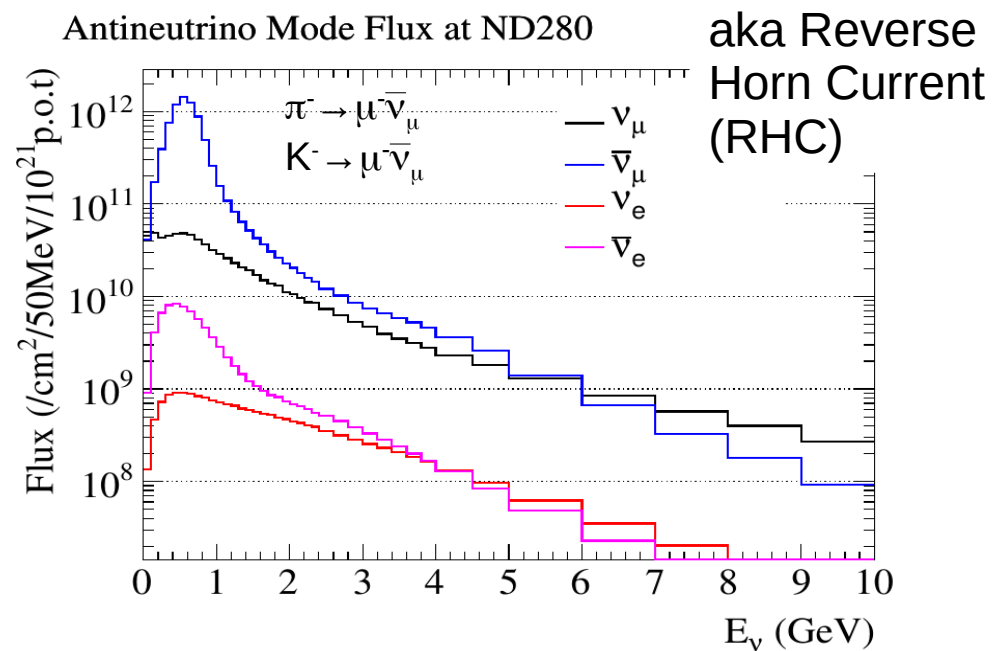
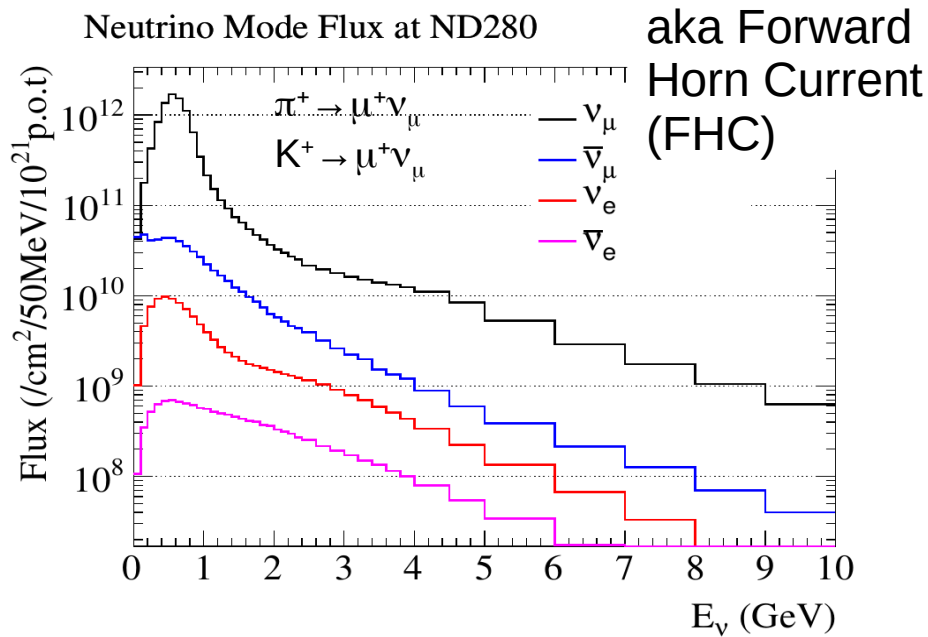


- New 'table-top' experiment at FNAL: **EMPHATIC** (targeting low energy especially interesting to cover the Booster beam for MicroBoone)

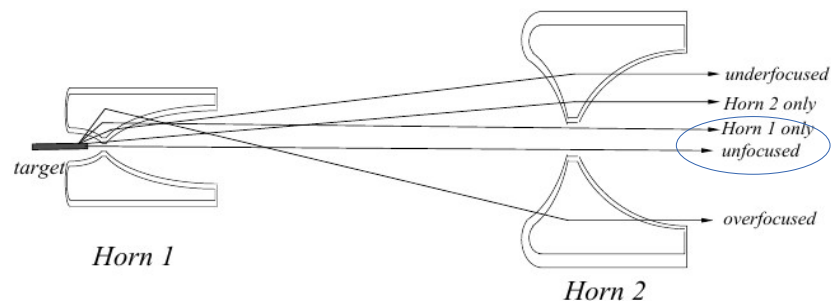
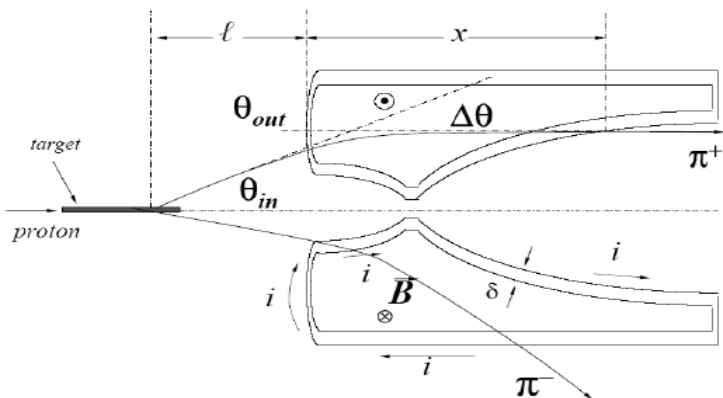
Particularly interesting to **measure total proton cross-section** (the other main left uncertainty) since both interacting and not-interacting events can be measured (fwd TPC in NA61 can also help for that!)



# Flux in T2K: wrong sign

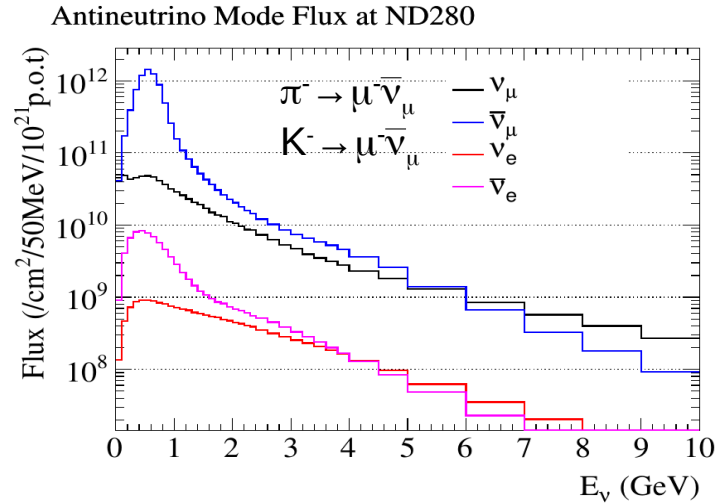
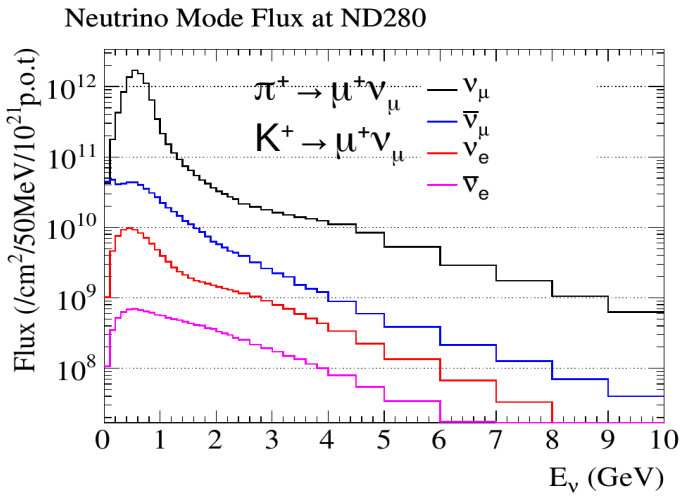


**The 'wrong sign' background** (important for  $\delta_{CP}$  and MO) comes from high  $p_L$  pions (kaons) which cannot be defocused properly because they miss the horns  
 → fractional contribution larger at high neutrino energies

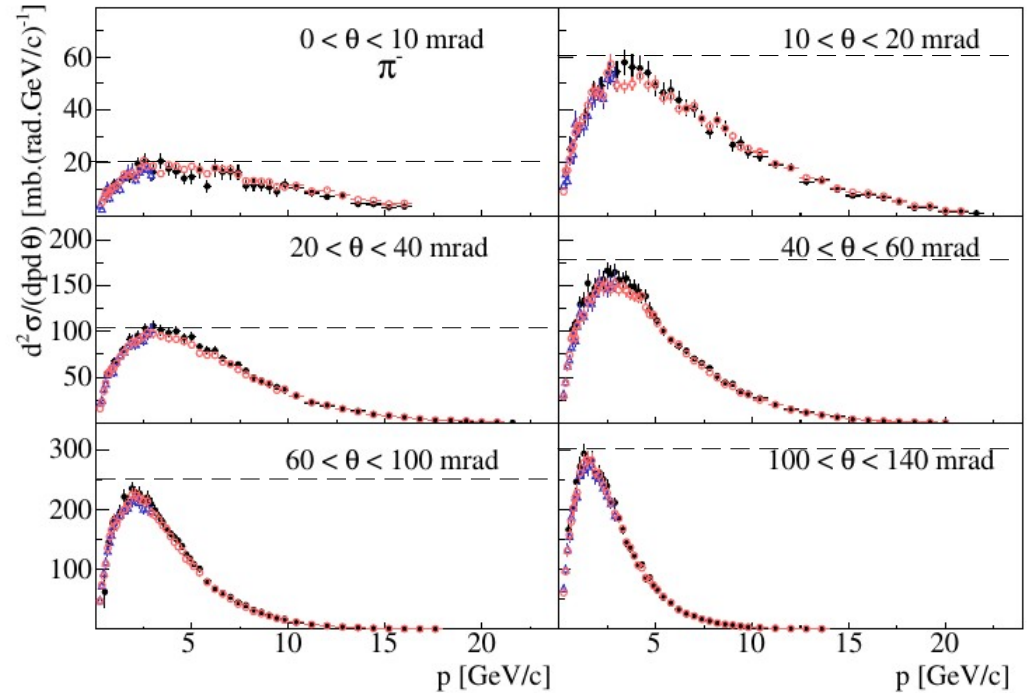
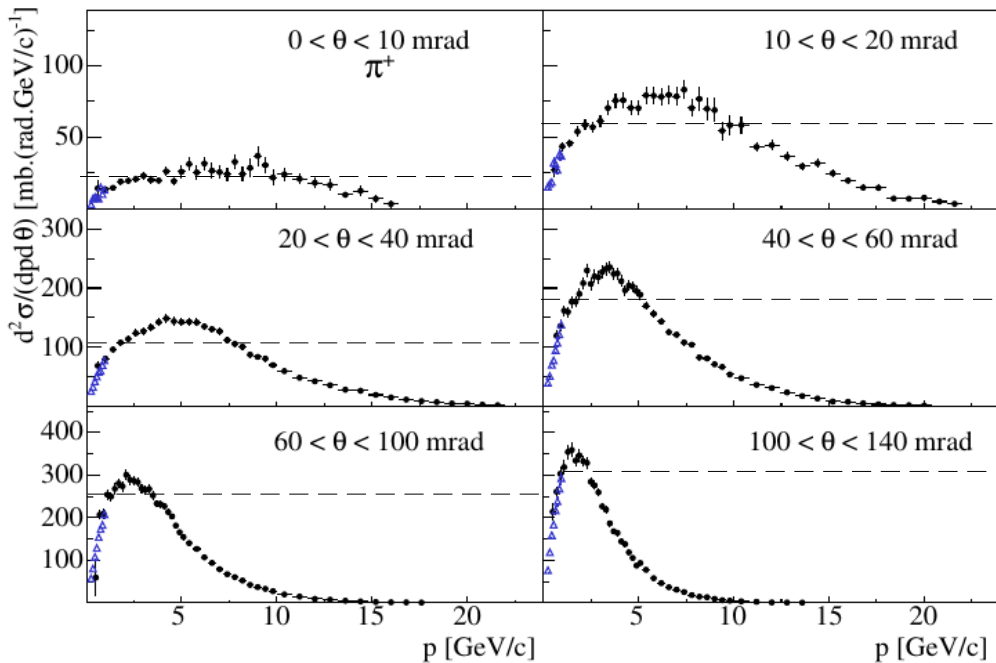




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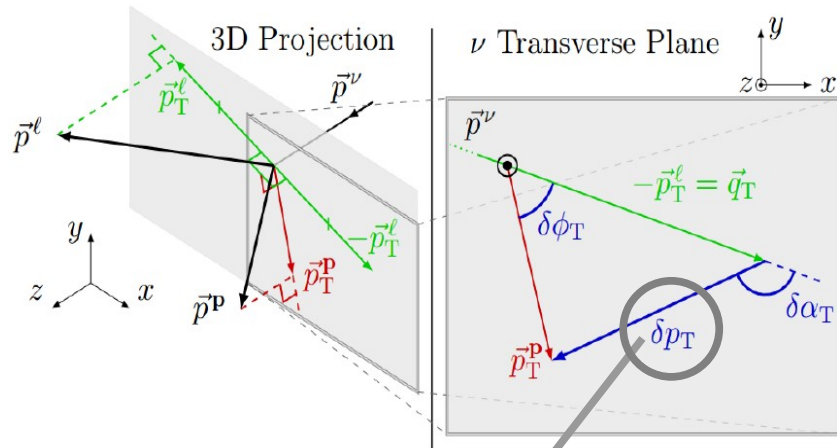


The 'wrong sign' background is larger in antineutrino mode since when proton hits the target it is more probable to create positive charged hadrons than negative ones



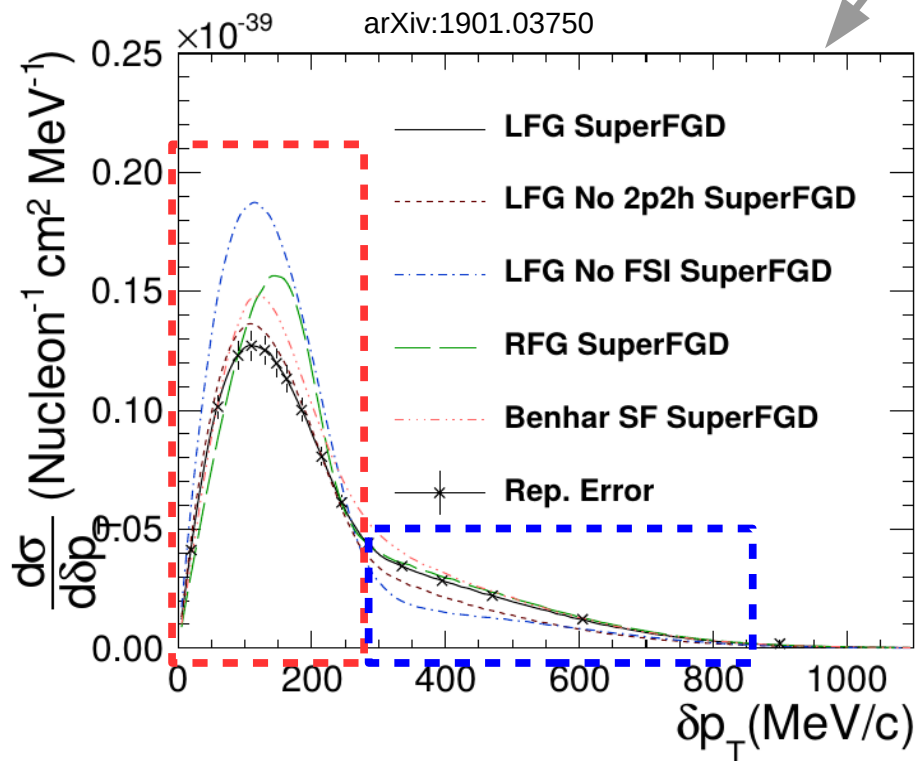
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New kind of observables including the proton (neutron) information



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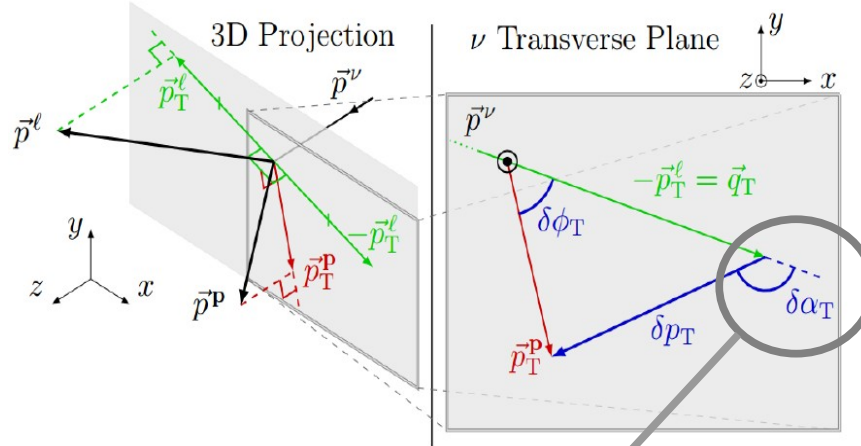
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- The bulk of  $d p_T$  is sensitive to **initial state effects**: Fermi momentum distribution
- **Fundamental interaction**: separate CCQE from 2p2h  $\square p_T$  tail
- What about **FSI**?

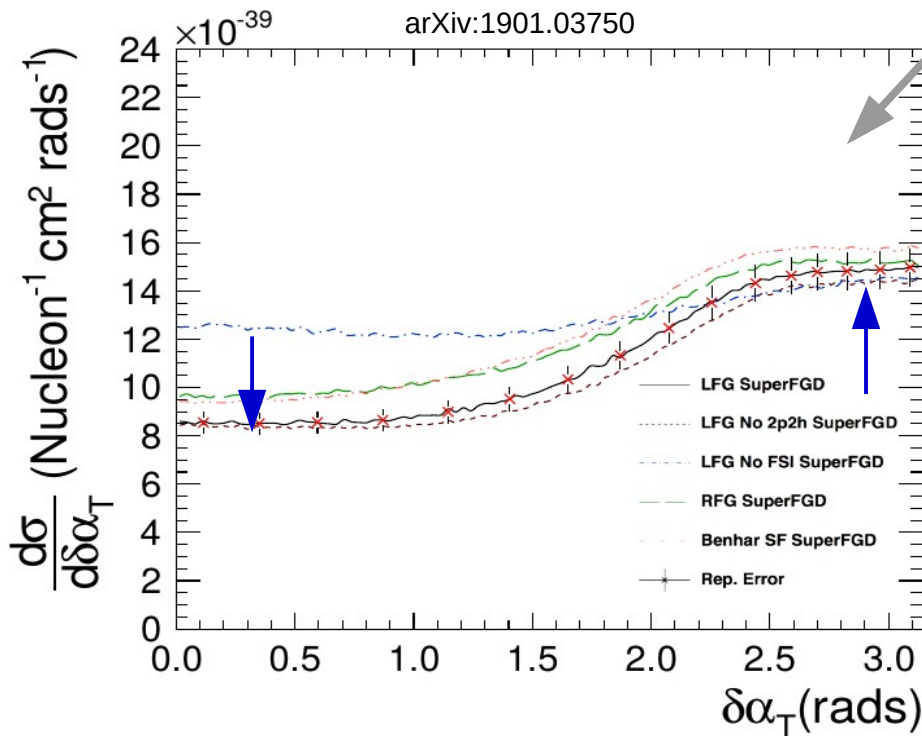
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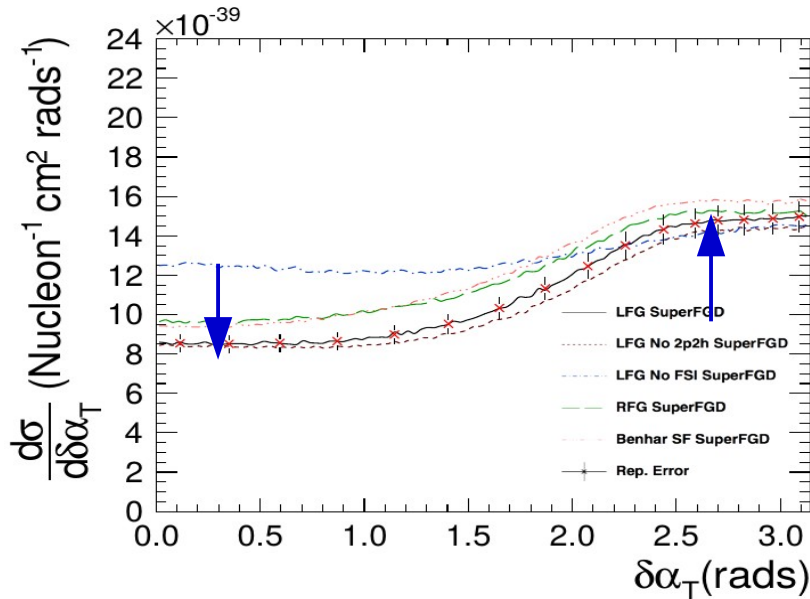
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$d\alpha_T$  is sensitive to **FSI**:  
 how much acceleration/deceleration of the proton in the nucleus  $\rightarrow$   $\square\square_T$  shape  
 (~flat without FSI)

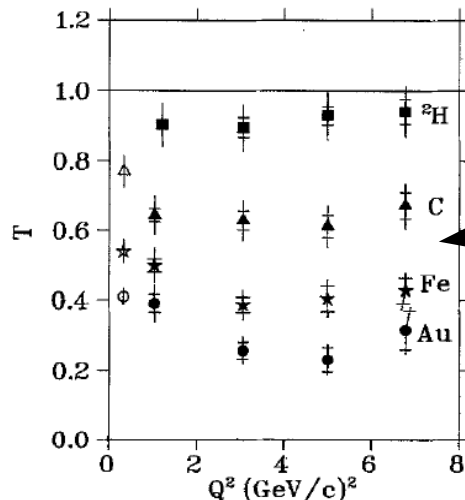
# Usefulness of Carbon

The capability of separating the different effects (IS/s/FSI) in these variable is only 'partial', there is always some degeneracy in the shapes between the different effects



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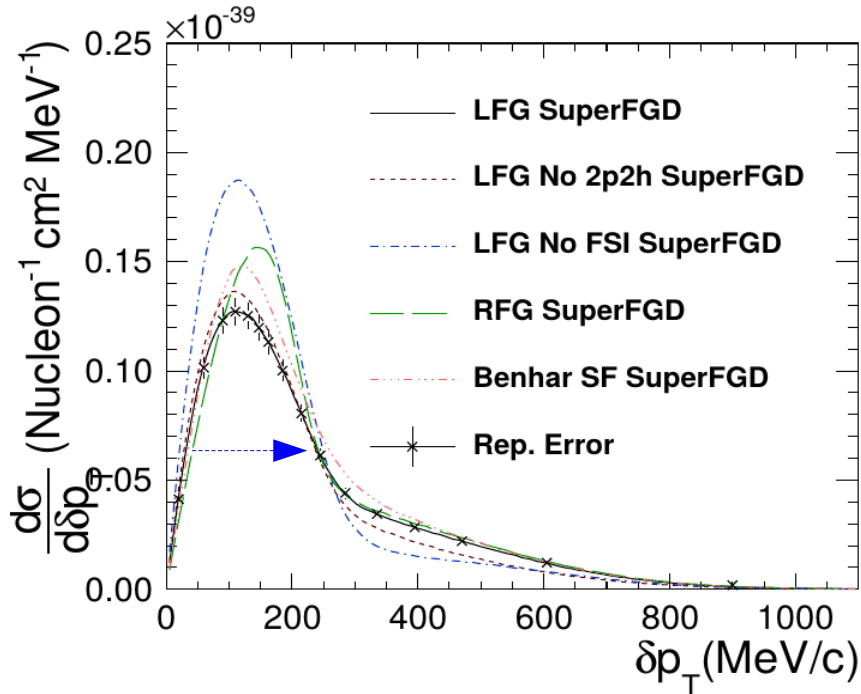
➤ **FSI can be extracted from  $\mathbf{p}_T$  shape:**  
preliminary parametrization of A-dependence can be extracted from electron scattering data and further tuned with ND data

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Fig. 1. Nuclear transparency for  $A(e, e'p)$  as a function of  $Q^2$ . The inner error bars are the statistical uncertainty, and the outer error bars are the statistical and systematic uncertainties added in quadrature. The open points at  $Q^2 = 0.33$  (GeV/c) $^2$  are from Ref. [27] for C, Ni, and Ta targets.

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Nucleus	$k_F$ (MeV/c)
Lithium	165
Carbon	228
Magnesium	230
Aluminum	236
Calcium	241
Iron	241
Nickel	245
Tin	245
Gold	245
Lead	248

➤ Initial state effects (Fermi momentum) can be extracted from the width of the  $\delta p_T$  distribution (other variables are sensitive to binding energy)

Fermi momentum dependence on A from electron scattering

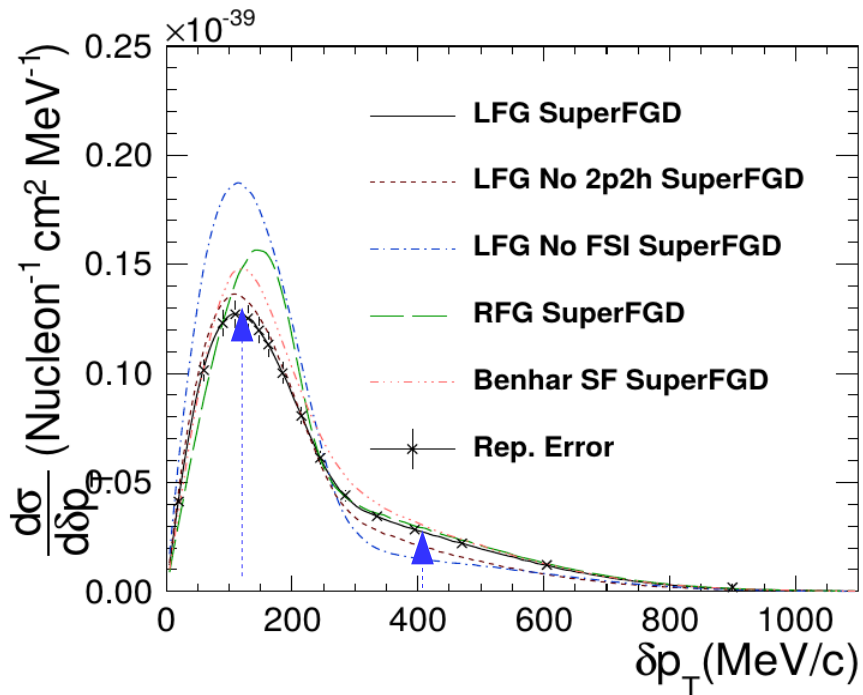
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SuSaV2 model: these values applied to Relativistic Mean Field model assure scaling of 2<sup>nd</sup> kind in the super-scaling functions for neutrino scattering

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➤ Fundamental interaction, eg. 2p2h/CCQE, affect the height of peak/tail in  $\delta p_T$

2p2h and CCQE cross-section have different A dependence (e.g. SuSa model: 2p2h  $\sim A \cdot k_F^2$ , CCQE  $\sim A/k_F$ )

A-dependence of the cross-section is a powerful handle to evaluate CCQE and 2p2h separately (thus extrapolating properly the xsec from ND to FD)

# Carbon to Argon

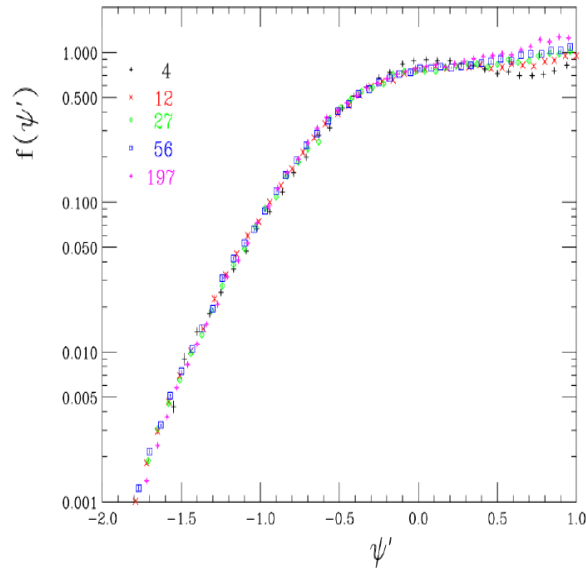


Figure 4: The scaling function (which characterises the difference between a nuclear cross section from a free-nucleon cross section) of as a function of the scaling variable for different nuclear targets (the colours present different ‘A’ values). The main purpose of showing this plot here is to demonstrate that the scaling function is nearly identical in the 1p1h dominated region ( $\Psi' < 0$ ). This figure is taken from reference [19].

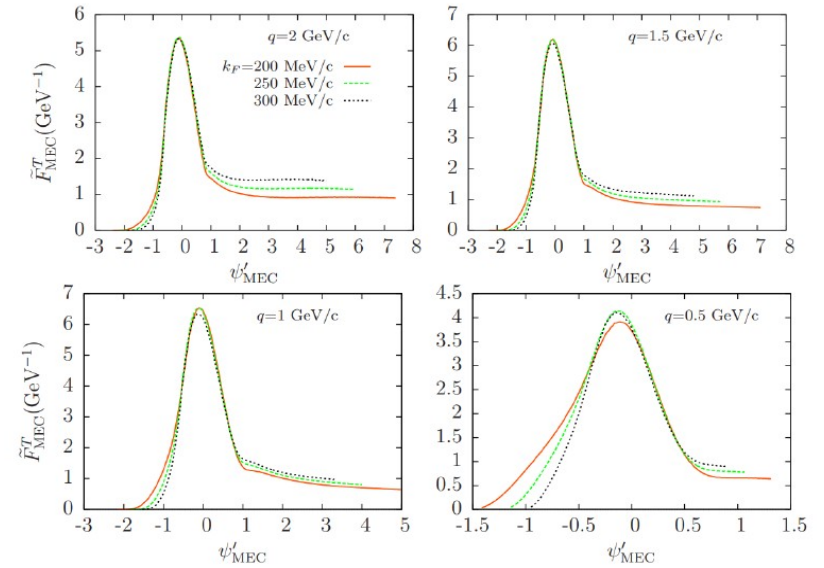


Figure 7: A demonstration of that the scaling behaviour of 2p2h interactions is broadly independent of nuclear target (given by the targets Fermi momentum,  $k_F$ ) over a range

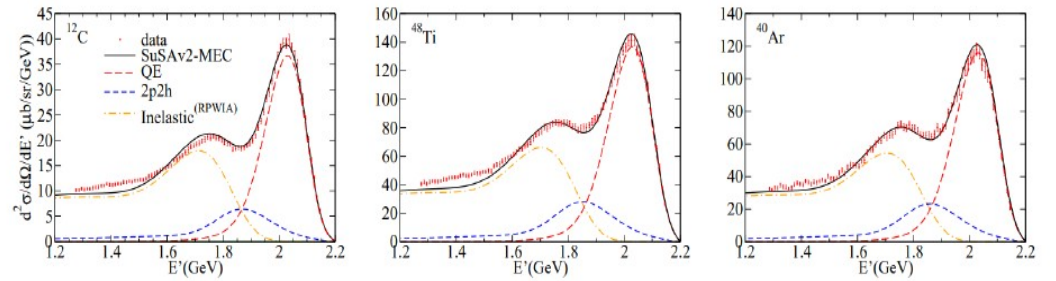


Figure 3: A comparison of the SuSAv2 model (based on RMF) to inclusive electron scattering data on a variety of nuclear targets, including Argon. This figure is taken from reference [8]. This reference also shows how modifications to RMF (via and RMF-RPWIA blending function, described in section 2) motivated from electron-Carbon scattering data are necessary to describe this electron-Argon scattering data.

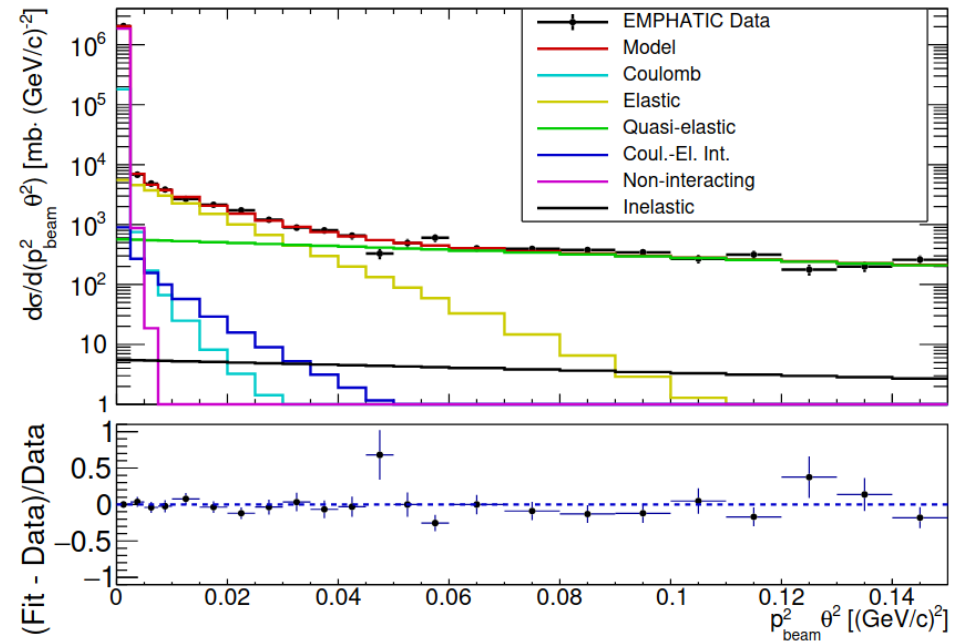
# EMPHATIC first results

Total xsec can be measured by combination of

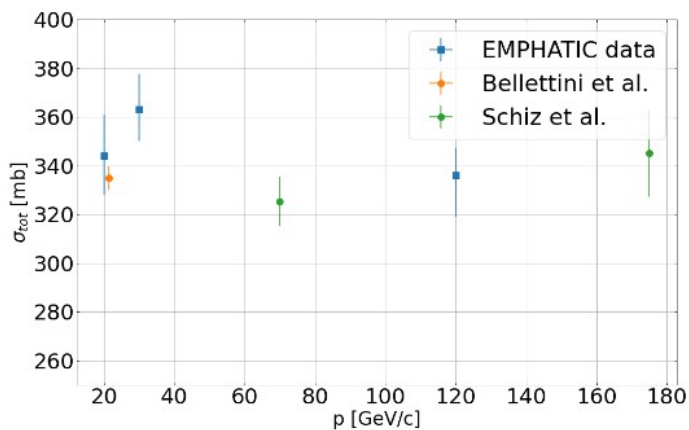
- transmission method  $N_S = N_0 e^{-nd\sigma_{tot}}$
- optical theorem: Im part of limit at  $t^2=0$   $\text{GeV}^2$  of scattering amplitude

## First pilot run for proof of principle

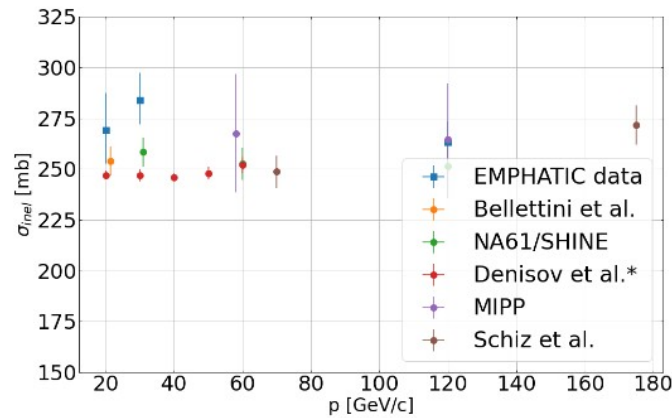
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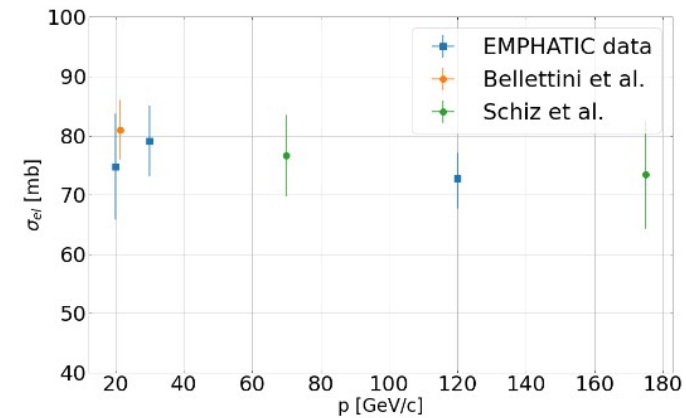
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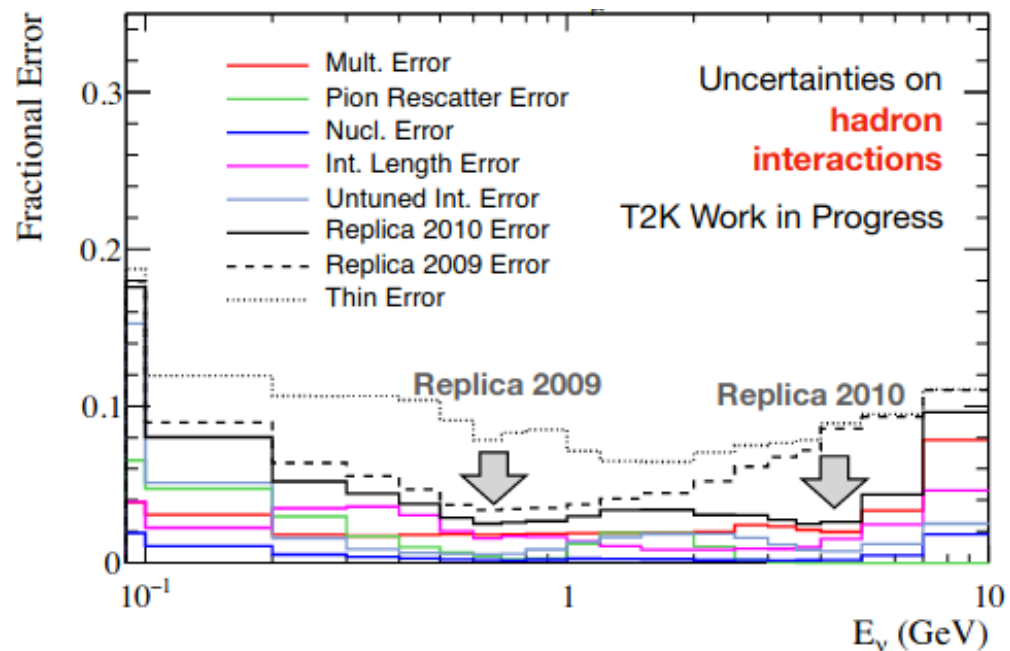




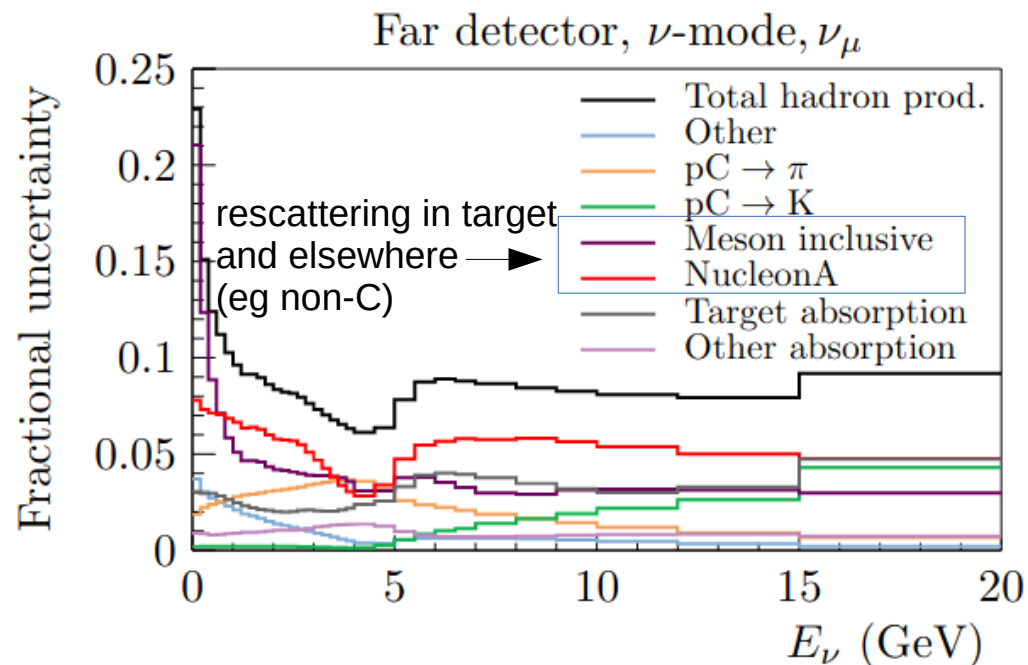
# Lessons learned

- **First order:**  $pC \rightarrow \pi, K$  multiplicity and kinematics
- With **replica target:** able to tune also **re-interactions** in target + minimize the impact of **total proton cross-section** uncertainty (important to define exactly what do we measure for proton xsec: see Y.Nagai@WAMP )
- **Next:** **re-interactions in the other elements** of the beamline (not C) + **hadrons outside the present NA61 acceptance**

T2K (with intensive tuning from NA61 data-taking!)



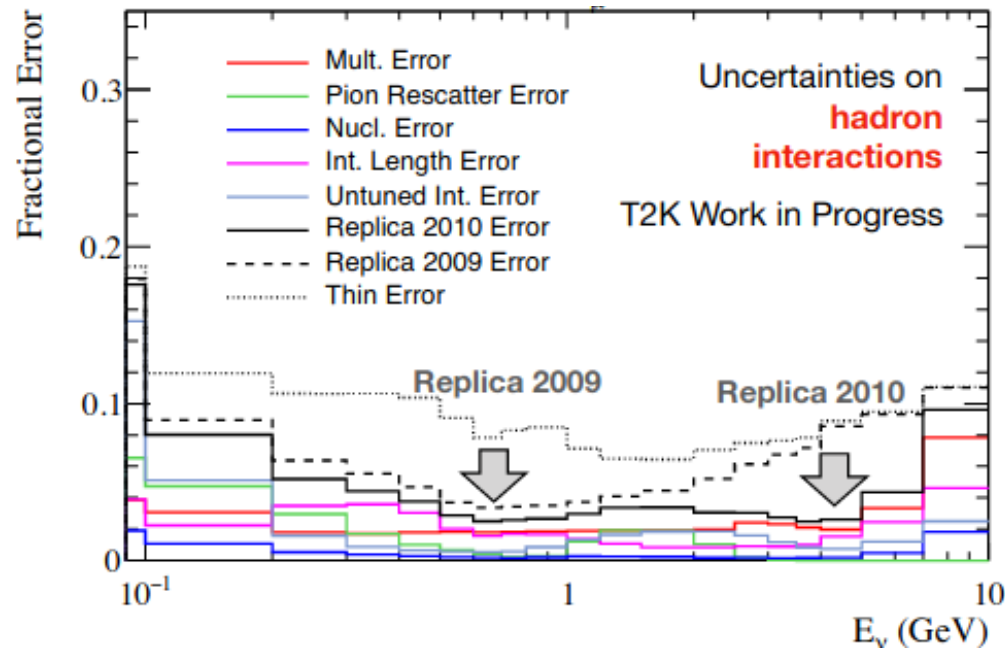
Example for next LBL (DUNE): clear need of measurements on replica of future targets



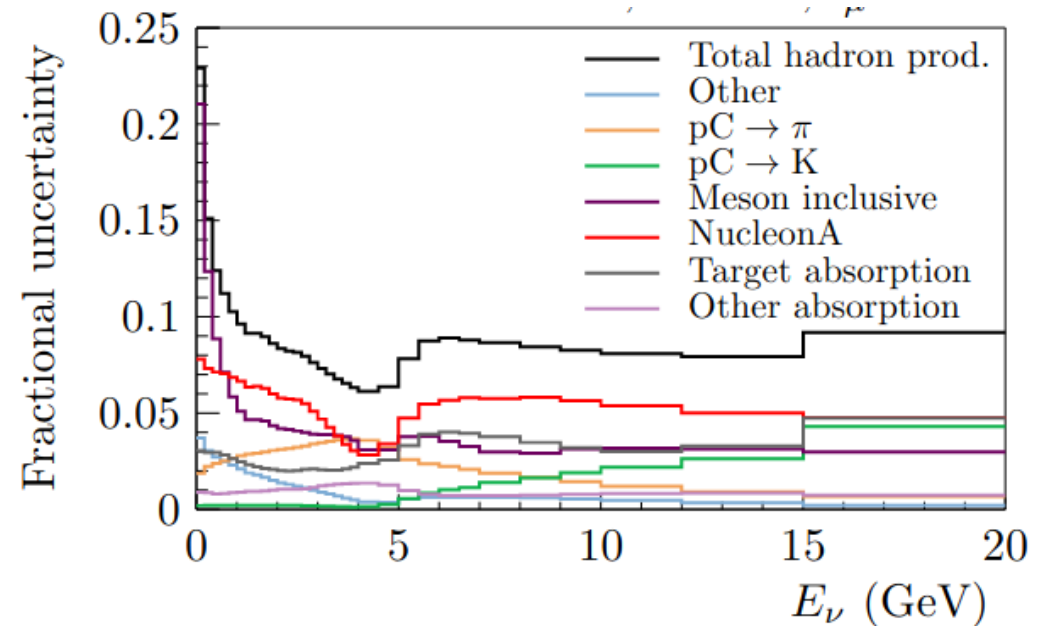
# Prospects

Prospects for DUNE and HK: **factor 2-3 better  $\sin^2\theta_{23}$  measurement** than today for each single experiment → **need control at  $\sim <1\%$  on flux normalization**

T2K (as an example for HK)



DUNE

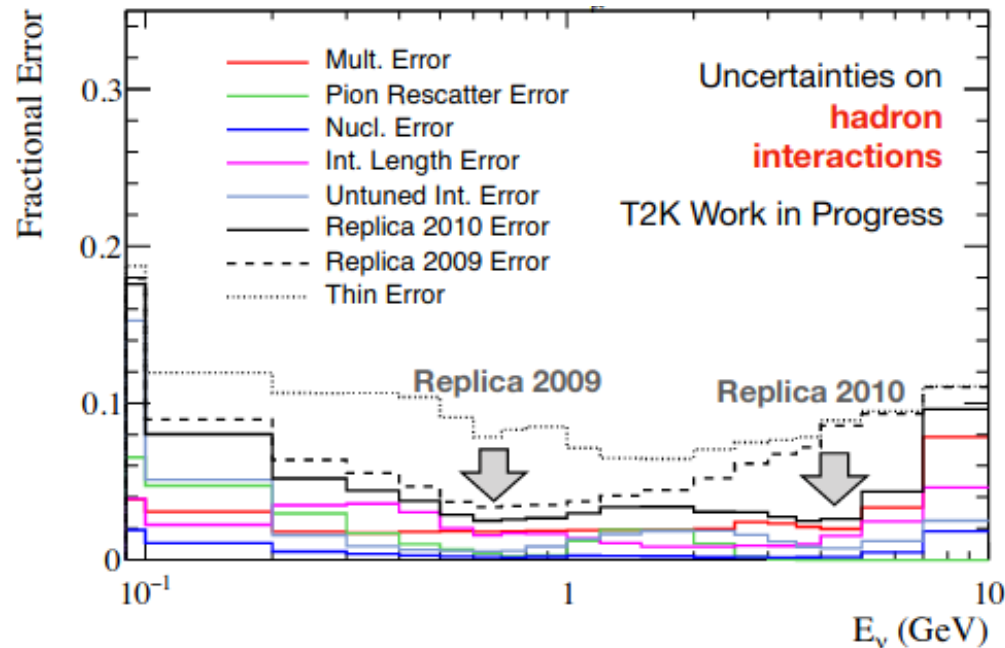


A systematics with leading impact on total flux rate is the **total proton cross-section (aka interaction length)**: today  $\sim 2\%$

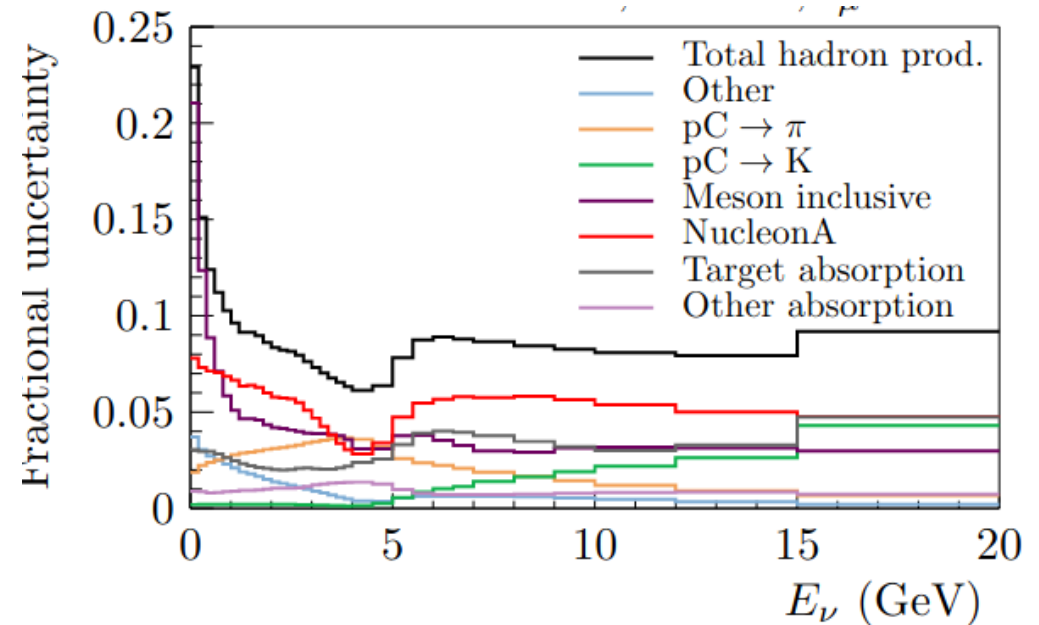
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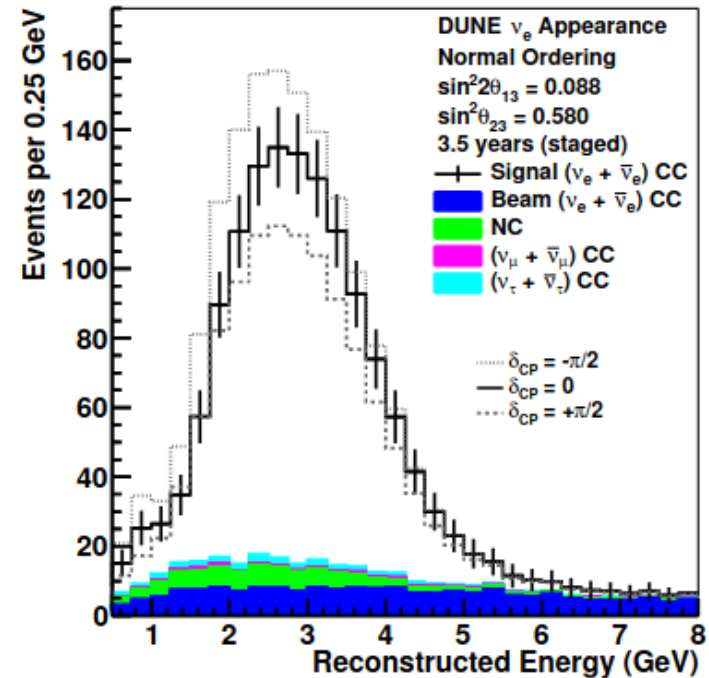
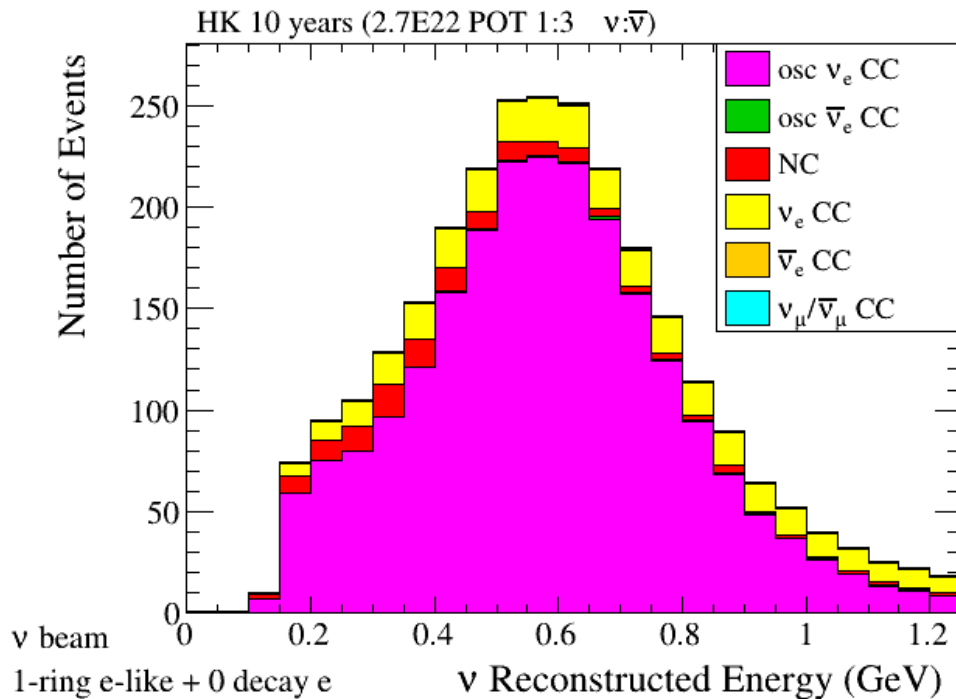


Most challenging systematics on flux shape comes from **hadron rescattering error and untuned interactions (outside NA61 phase space)**

Thanks to replica target in T2K:  $\sim 30\%$  reinteractions in target now under control → still 10% of re-interactions in beamline. **New measurements on other target material**

# Prospects

For today best fit values of  $\theta_{23}$  we expect both HK and DUNE to reach  **$\sim 4\text{-}5$  sigma sensitivity to reject the wrong octant**: huge increase in statistics of  $\nu_e$  sample



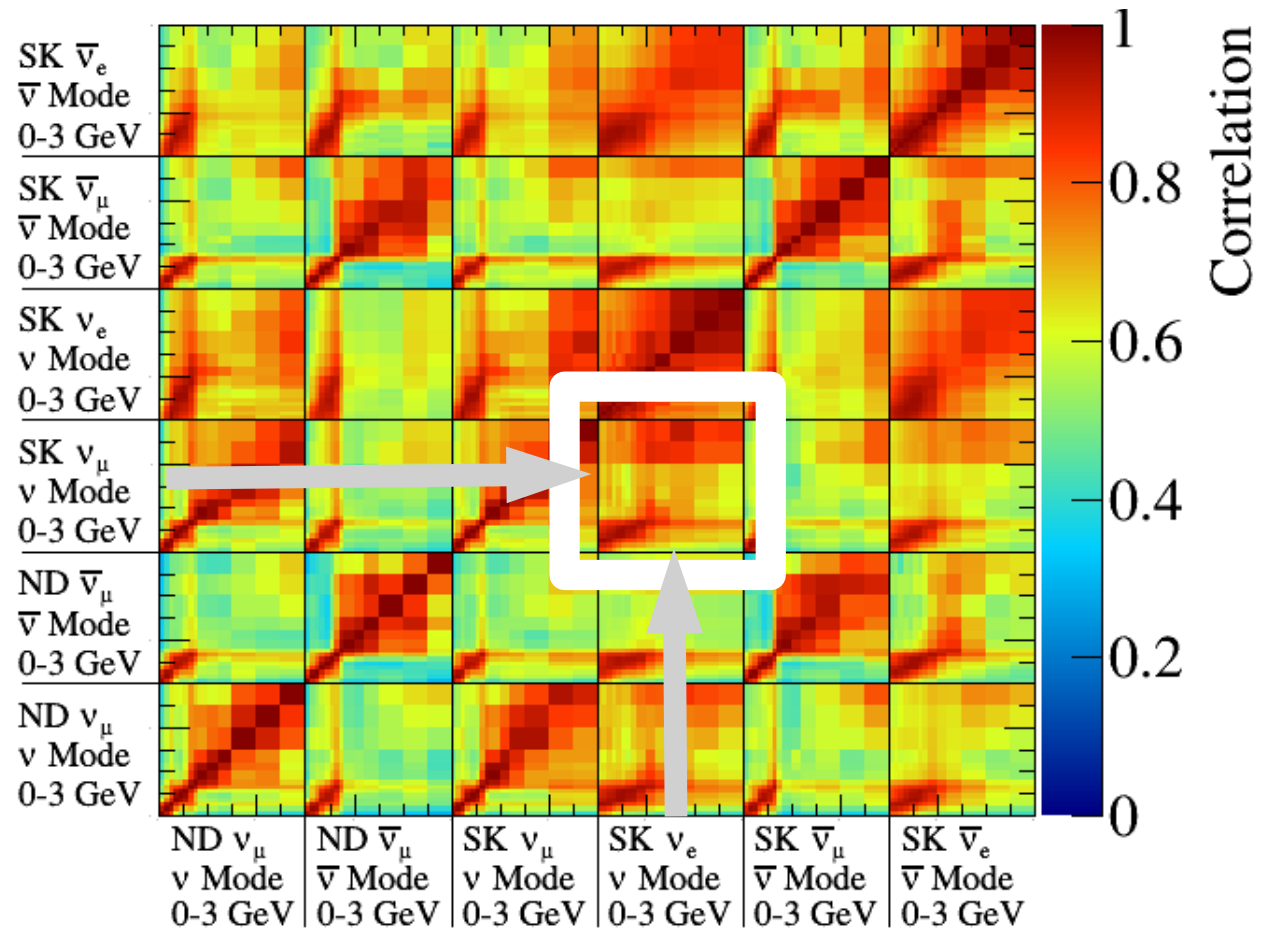
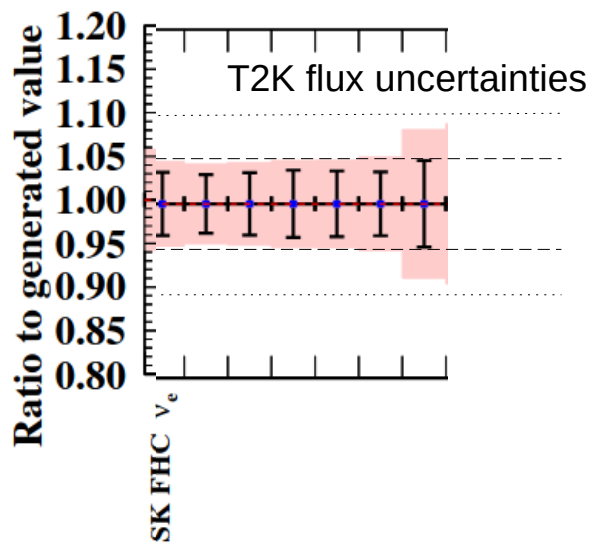
The most important background is the **intrinsic  $\nu_e$  component inside the flux** (already present before oscillation):  $\sim 10\%$

To measure  $\nu_e$  oscillated signal normalization at  $\sim 1\%$  (octant degeneracy breaking) need to have a **relative precision on the  $\nu_e$  intrinsic background  $< 5\%$**

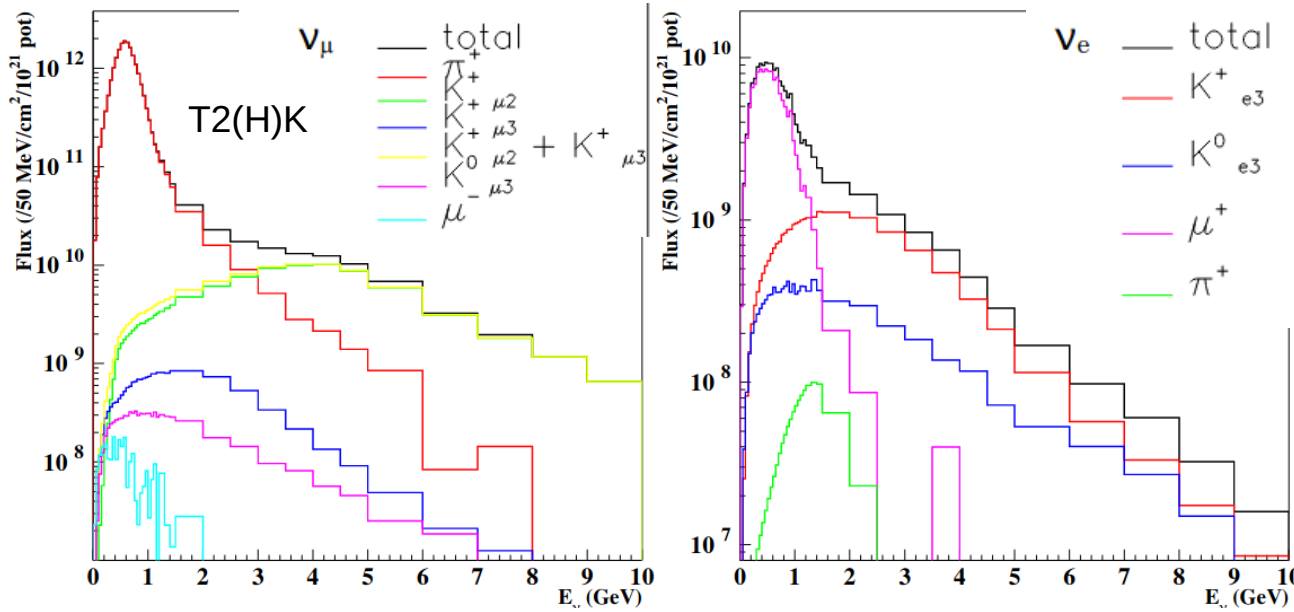
# $\nu_e$ flux today

Today uncertainty on  $\nu_e$  flux already at 5% level before ND constraints and **strong correlation between  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  flux uncertainties:**

Correlations of T2K flux uncertainties

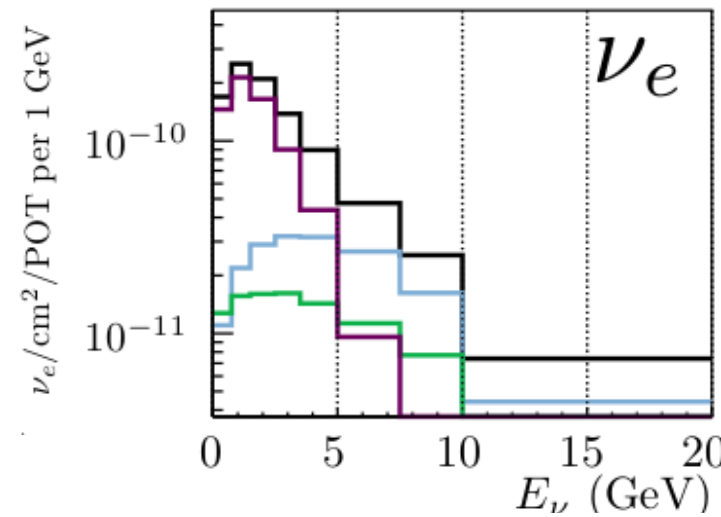
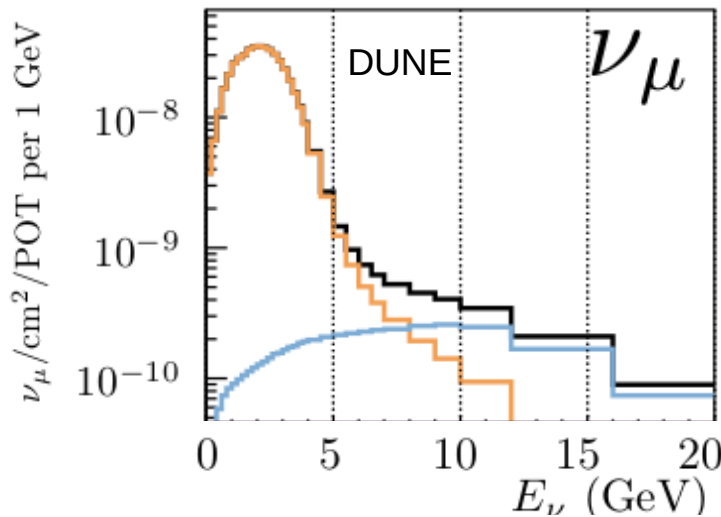


# $\nu_e$ flux vs $\nu_\mu$ flux



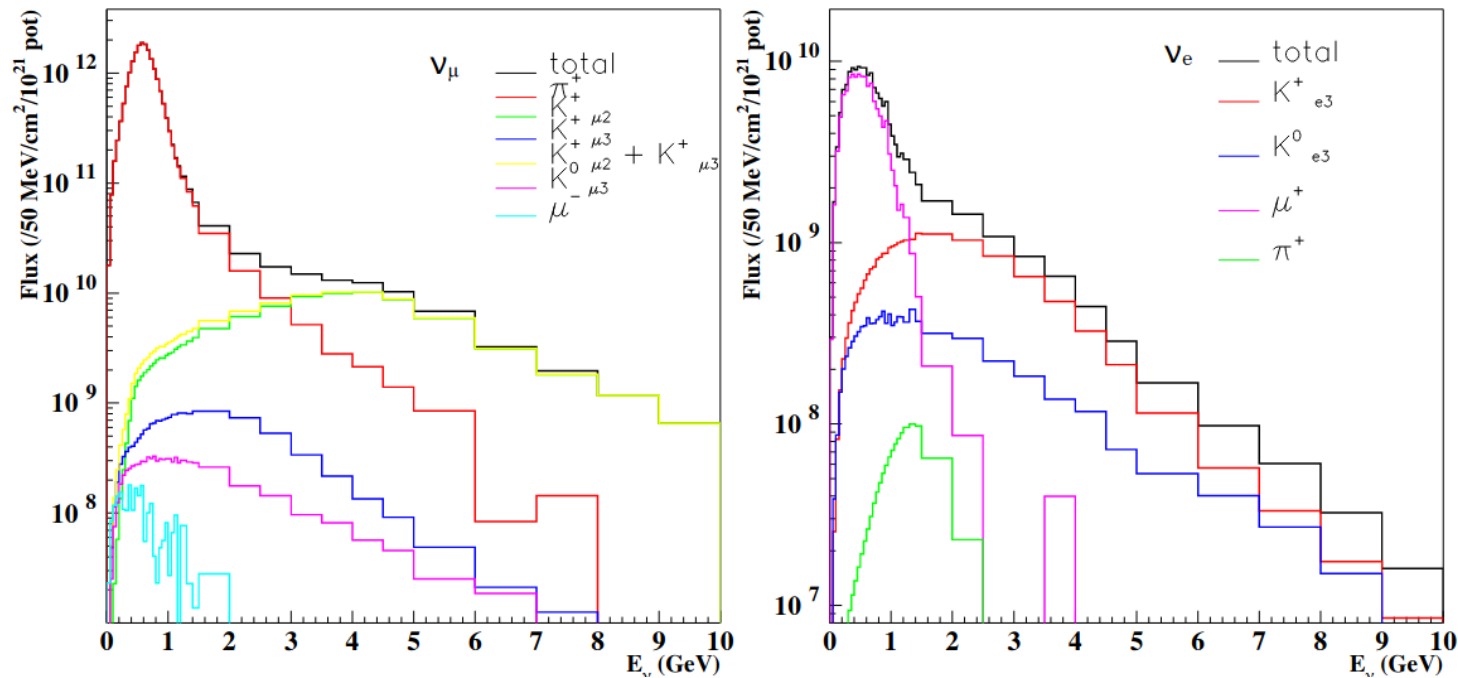
$\nu_e$  flux at the oscillation peak energy is dominated by  $\mu$  decay coming from from  $\pi, K$  decays  $\rightarrow$  correlation with  $\nu_\mu$

(+ direct K decays into  $\nu_e$  at higher energy,  $K^0$  subdominant)



- All  $\rightarrow \nu$
- $K^0 \rightarrow \nu$
- $\pi \rightarrow \nu$
- $\mu \rightarrow \nu$
- $K^\pm \rightarrow \nu$
- ND, On axis

# Flux in T2K: intrinsic $\nu_e$



Source

$\nu$ species	Flux		$\pi^+$ or $\pi^-$		$K^+$ or $K^-$ (K2)		$K^+$ or $K^-$ (K3)		$K^0_L$		$\mu^+$ or $\mu^-$	
	Abund.	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$	%	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$	%	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$	%	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$	%	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$	%	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$
$\nu_\mu$	1.0	0.84	95.5	0.69	4.2	4.15	0.2	2.13	0.1	2.10	< 0.01	0.80
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.0692	1.19	85.8	1.13	4.0	3.21	0.2	1.70	1.2	2.12	8.8	0.66
$\nu_e$	0.0110	1.41	1.0	1.58	-	-	30.7	2.48	11.1	2.52	57.2	0.62
$\bar{\nu}_e$	0.0016	2.26	0.4	2.40	-	-	13.6	1.91	76.7	2.49	9.2	0.88

- Small intrinsic background to  $\nu_e$  appearance measurements (important for  $\delta_{CP}$  and MO).
- It can also be used to measure  $\nu_e$  xsec at the near detector (with limited statistics)

One useful feature is that low-energy  $\nu_e$  mostly come from muon and kaon (to pi0) decays so they do not follow the 3-body decay rule: different energy-angle dependence than  $\nu_\mu$  103

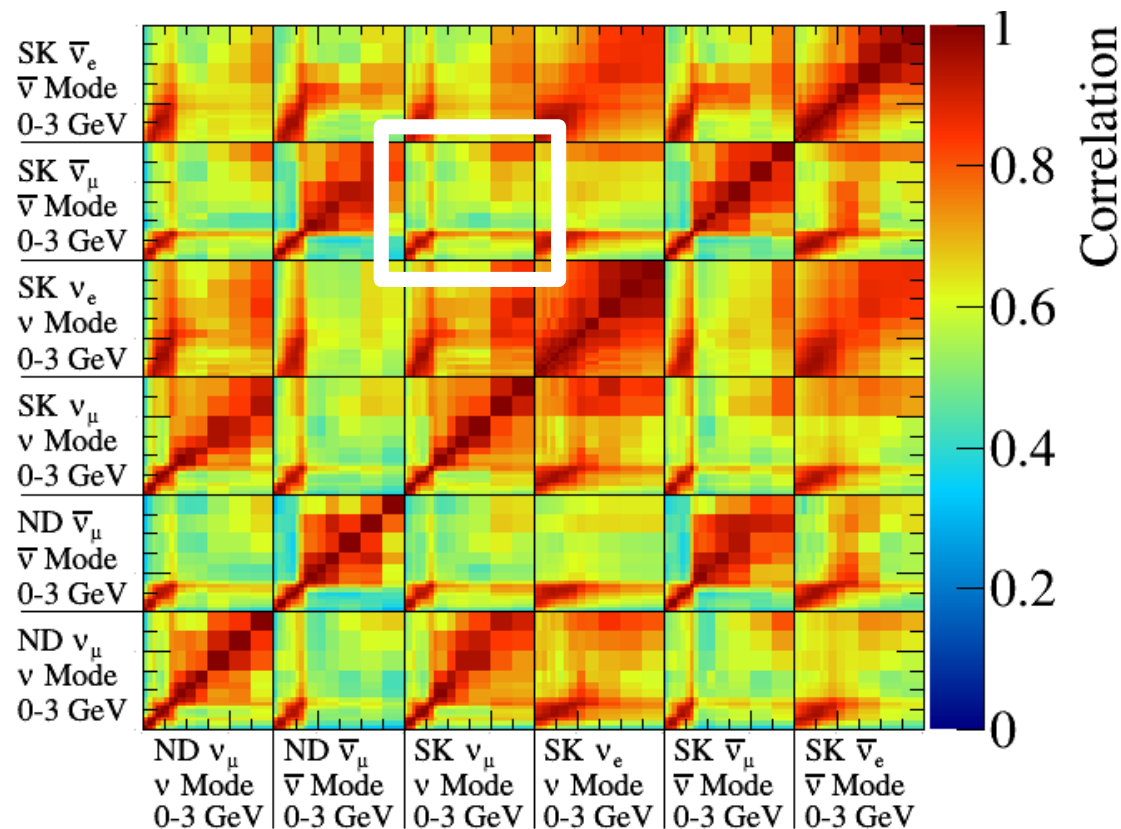
# Prospects

Prospects for next generation:  $5\sigma$  on CPV and MH

What is really important are  $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$  anticorrelations, they must be below 2% (the lower, the better → direct impact on sensitivity and ultimate limitation to it)

**No direct anticorrelation from flux uncertainties (but need to constrain  $\nu$  contamination into  $\bar{\nu}$  [aka wrong sign])**

Correlations of T2K flux uncertainties

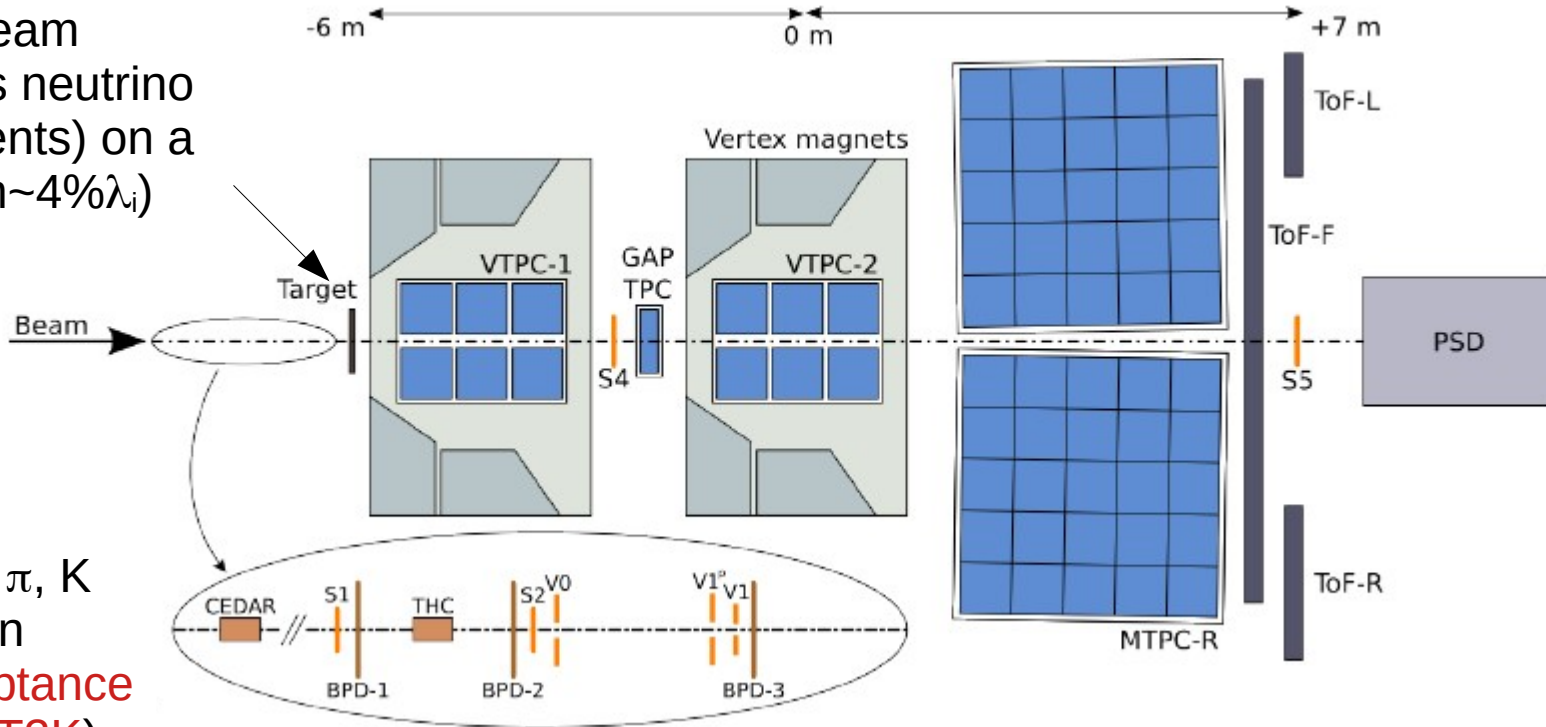




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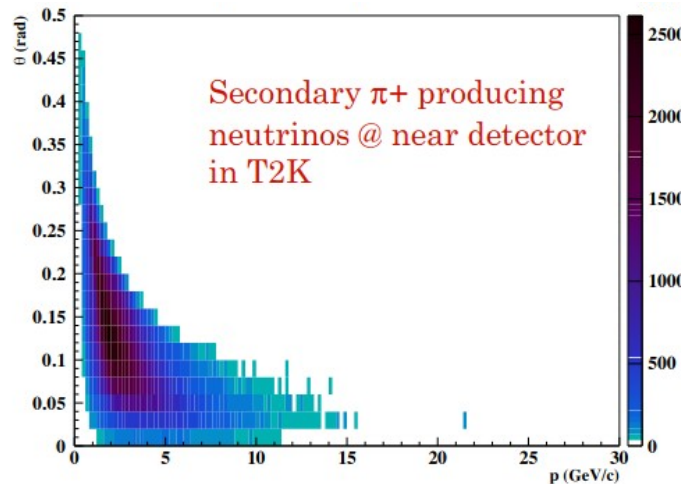
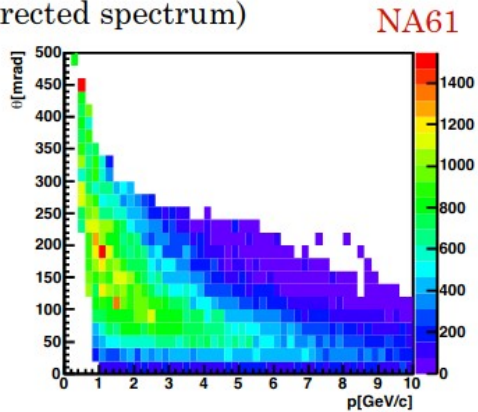
SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment: Fixed target experiment using CERN SPS

proton beam  
(same as neutrino experiments) on a  
(thin 2cm~4% $\lambda_i$ )  
target



Measure  $p$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $K$   
in fwd region  
(good acceptance  
match with T2K)

Phase space covered by  $\pi^+$   
(corrected spectrum)

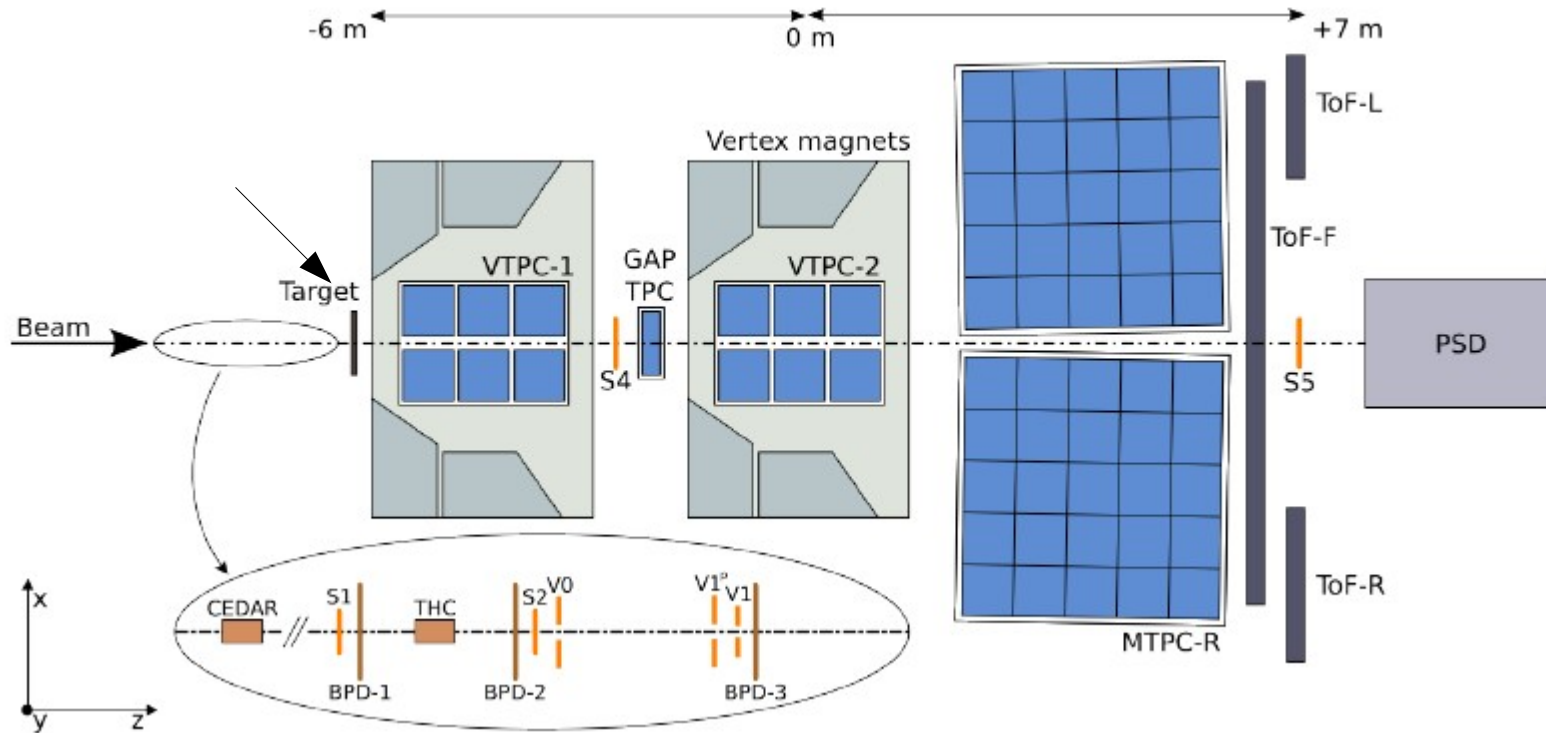


Momentum measurement with  
TPC in magnetic field  
( $\sigma_p/p^2 \sim 0.005 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$ )

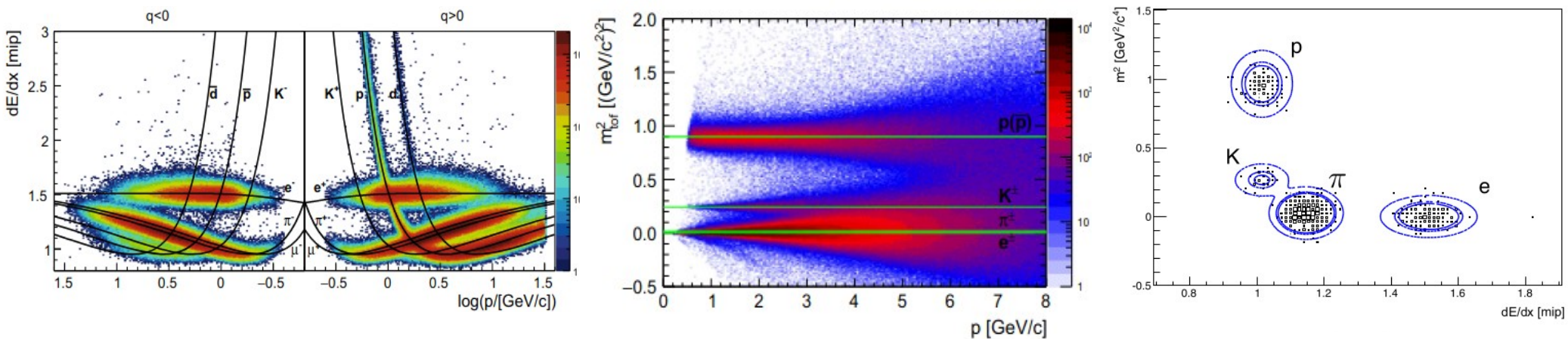
Angular measurement  
with 3-4 mrad resolution

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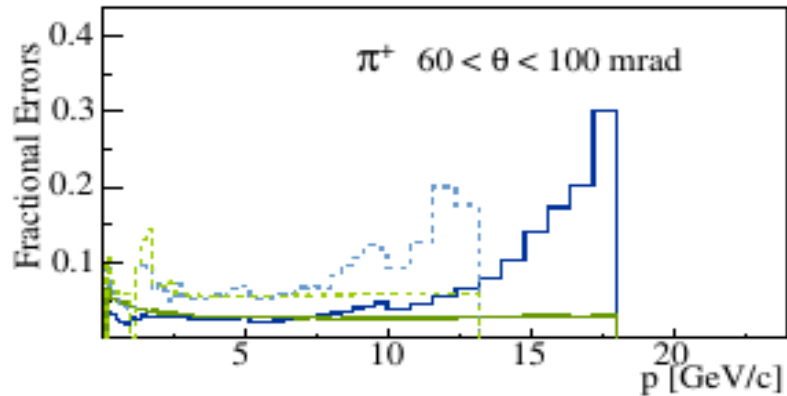
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dE/dx + ToF measurement for clean PID

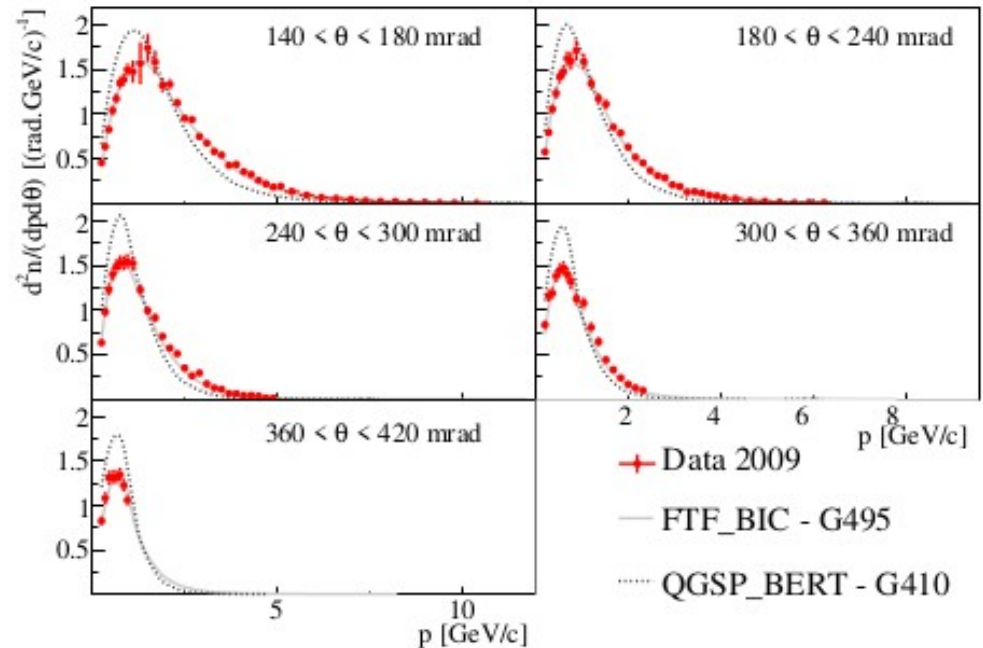
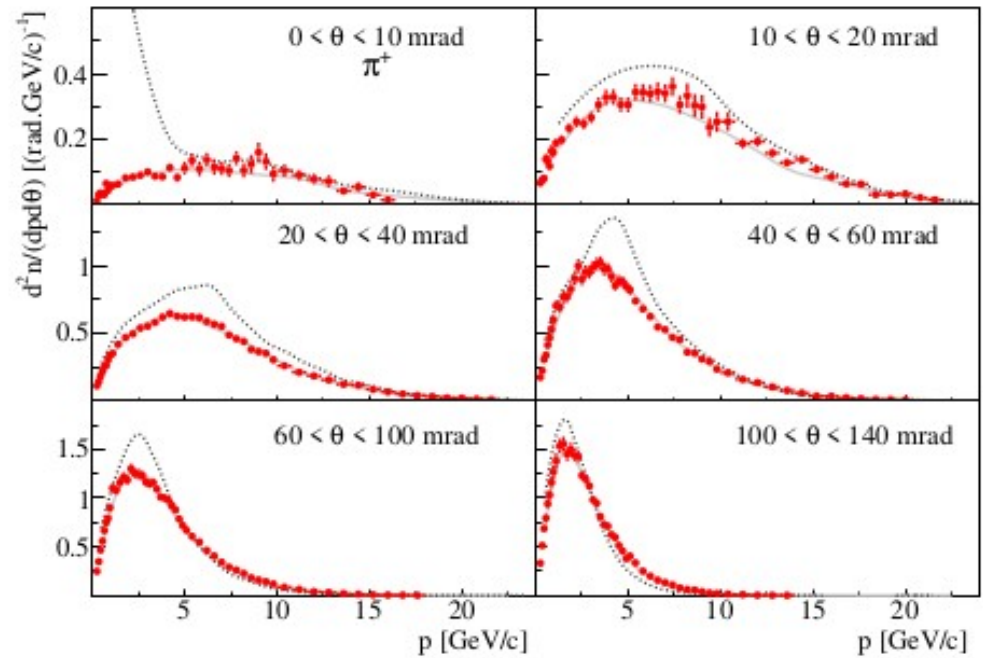


# (Old) results

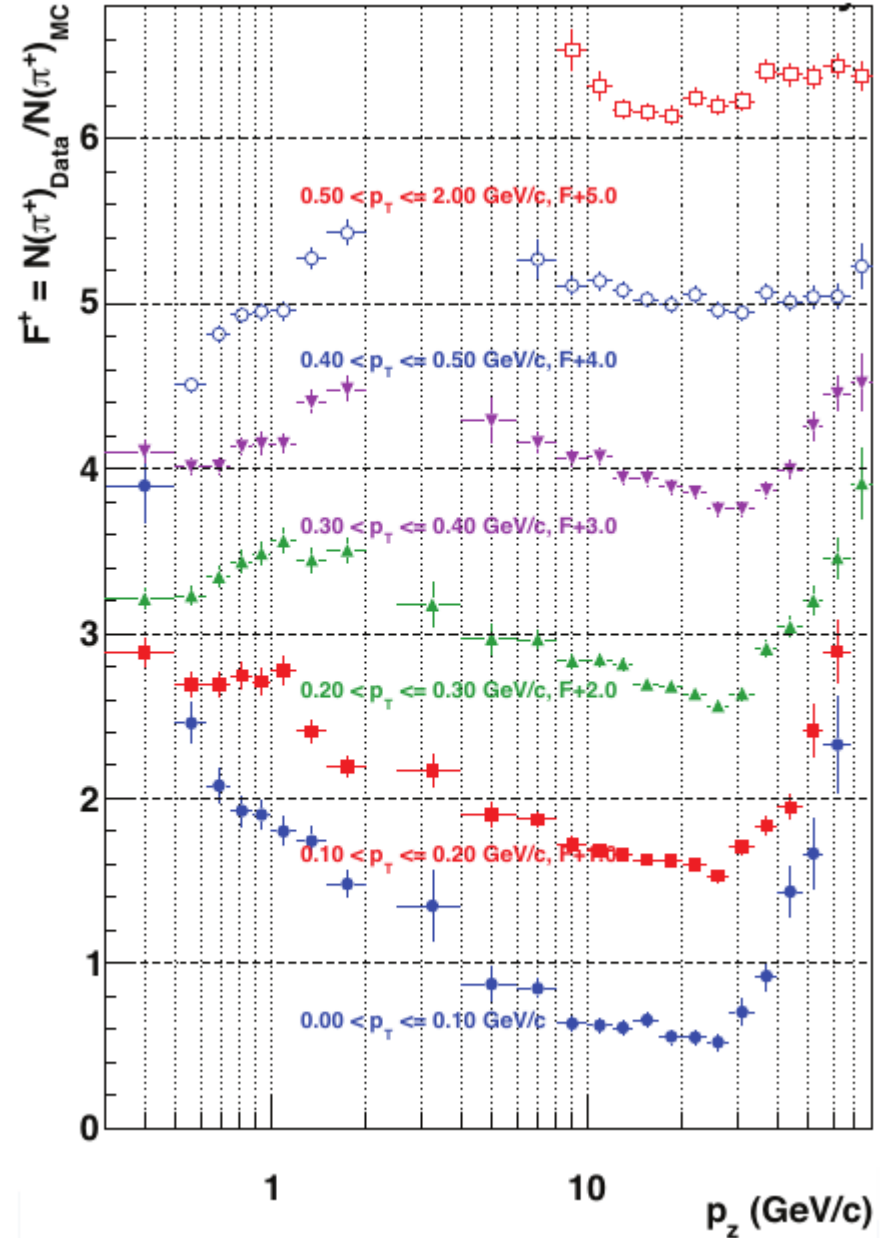
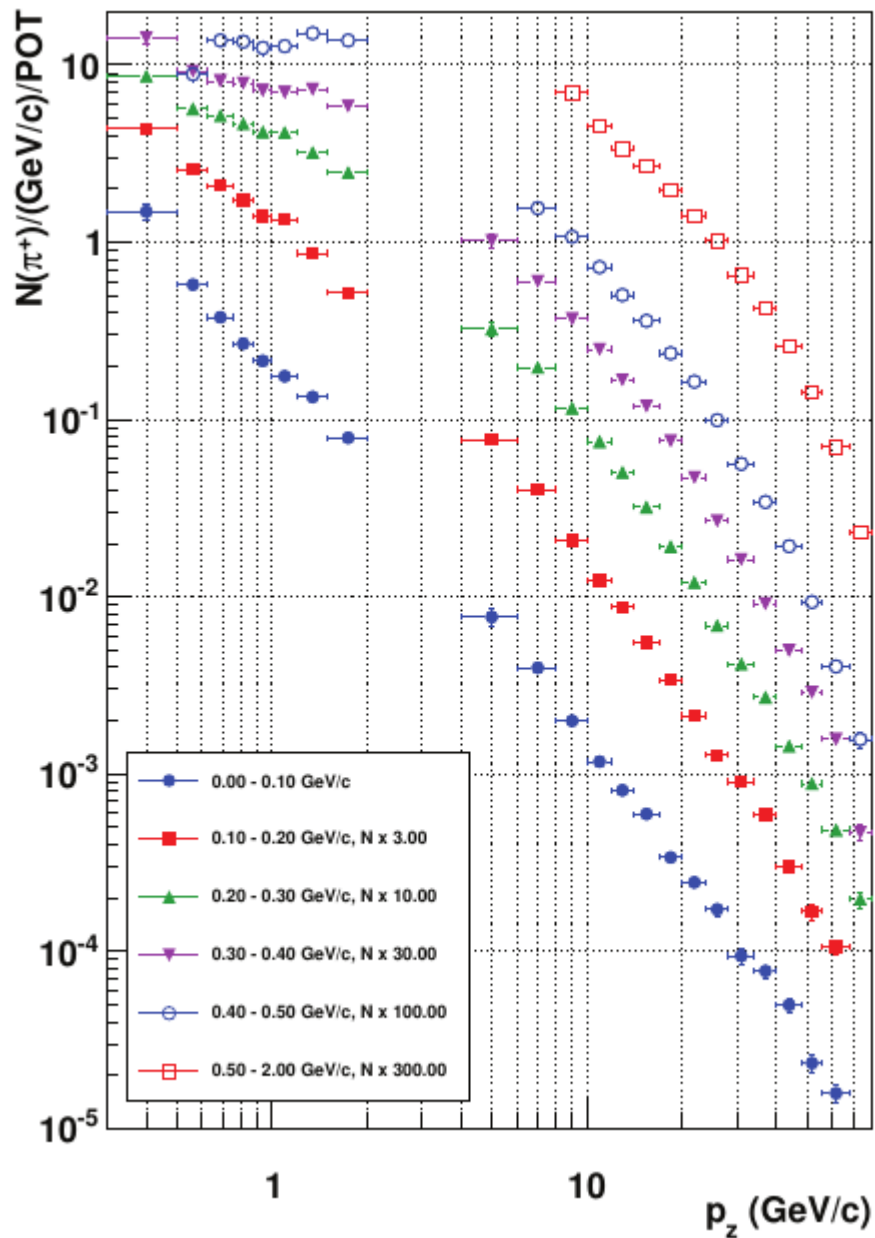


- - - 2007 stat. error      — 2009 stat. error  
 - - - 2007 syst. error      — 2009 syst. error

Full measurement of  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $K^-$



# MIPP results for NuMI



# Cross-section normalization

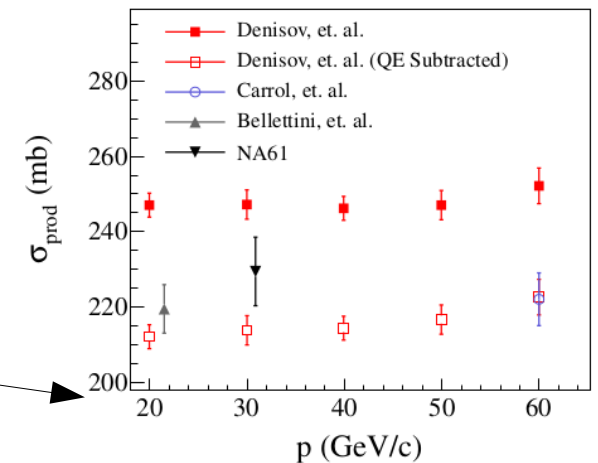
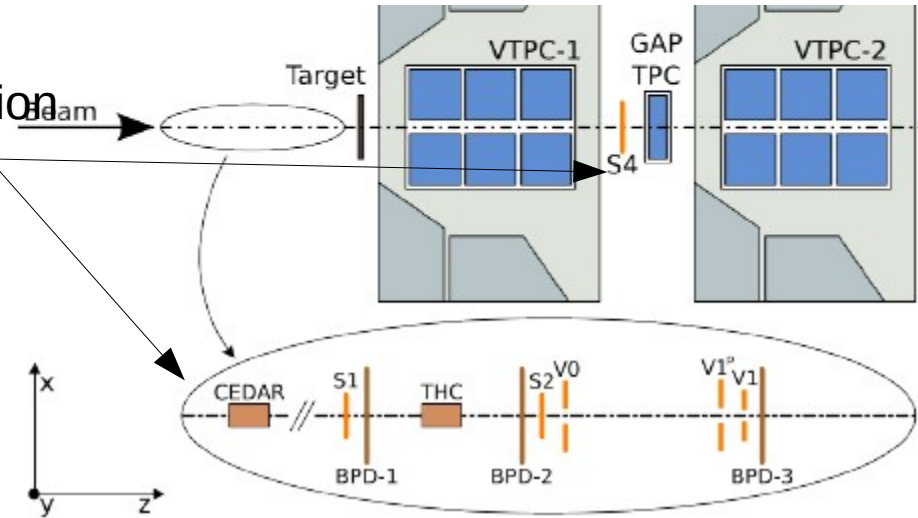
$$\sigma_{hadroprod} = \sigma_{tot} - \sigma_{el} - \sigma_{qe}$$

$\sigma_{tot}$  can be extracted from beam instrumentation in anti-coincidence with S4 (normalized to number of carbon nuclei in the target)

Need to correct for events with actual interactions in S4 using model

$\sigma_{qe}$  quasi-elastic scattering on single nucleon in the carbon nucleus which get ejected (from GEANT)

$\sigma_{el}$  elastic scattering on carbon nucleus (from previous measurements compared to GEANT → largest uncertainty)

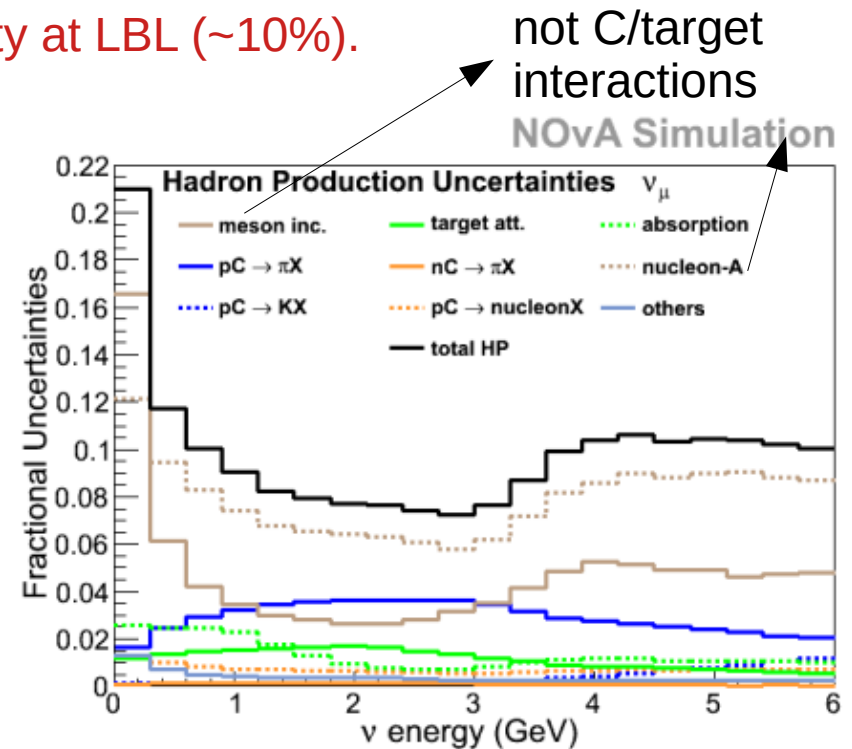
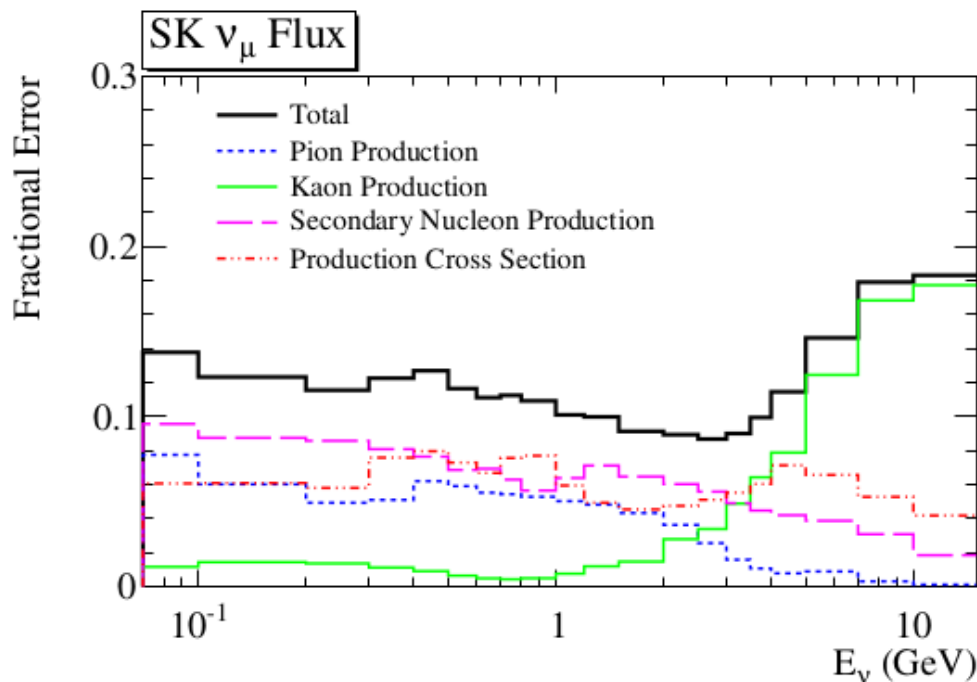


$$\sigma_{prod} = 230.7 \pm 2.8(\text{stat}) \pm 1.2(\text{det}) {}^{+6.3}_{-3.5}(\text{mod}) \text{ mb}$$

FIG. 37: Production cross-section measurements for protons on graphite targets for momenta 20–60 GeV/c. The data from Denisov *et al.* are shown with and without the quasi-elastic estimate subtracted since the quantity that is measured is ambiguous.

# Flux uncertainties due to hadro-production using “thin targets” data (before ~2020)

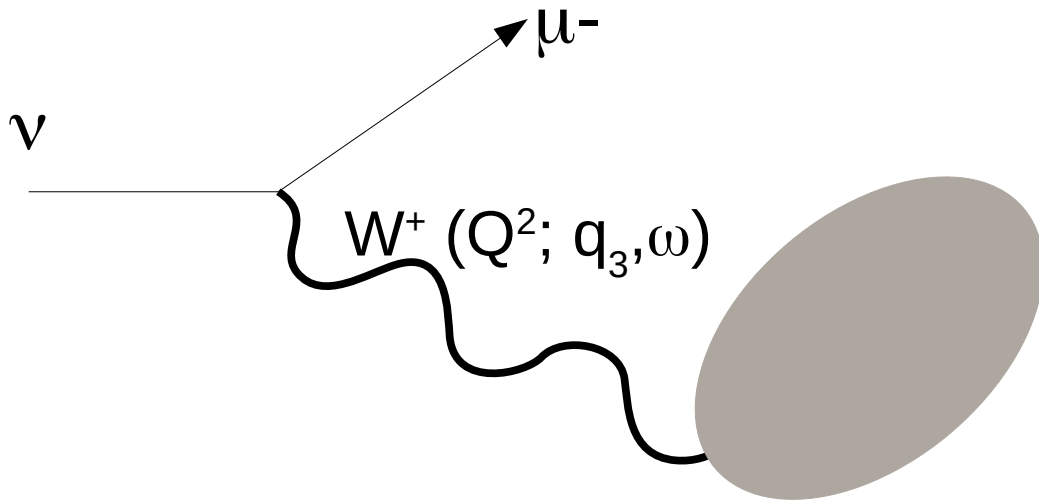
These results improved greatly the flux uncertainty at LBL (~10%).



The remaining uncertainties were dominated by the total production cross-section and re-interactions in the horns

→ new NA61 measurement ‘more directly portable’ to T2K

# The basic variables: $q_3, \omega$



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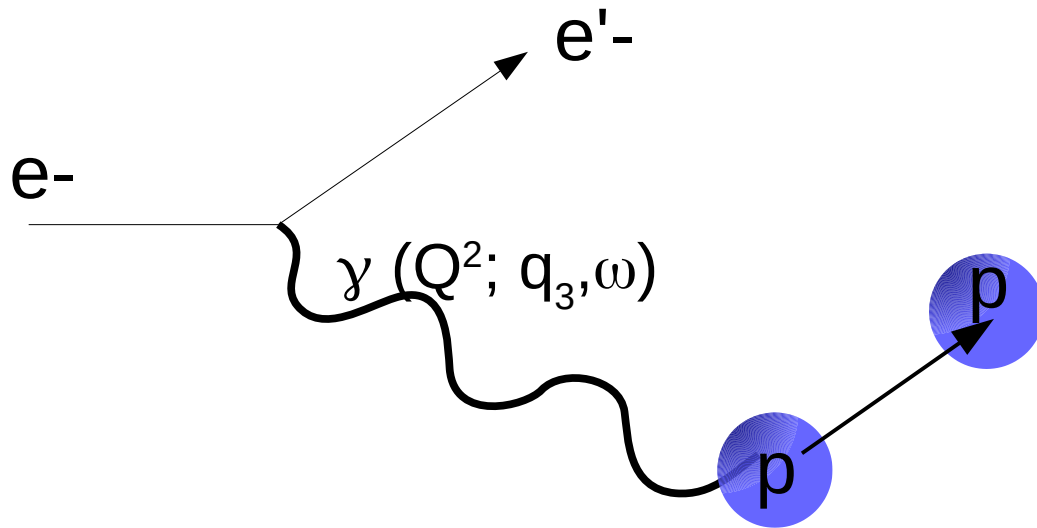
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# The basic variables: e-p scattering



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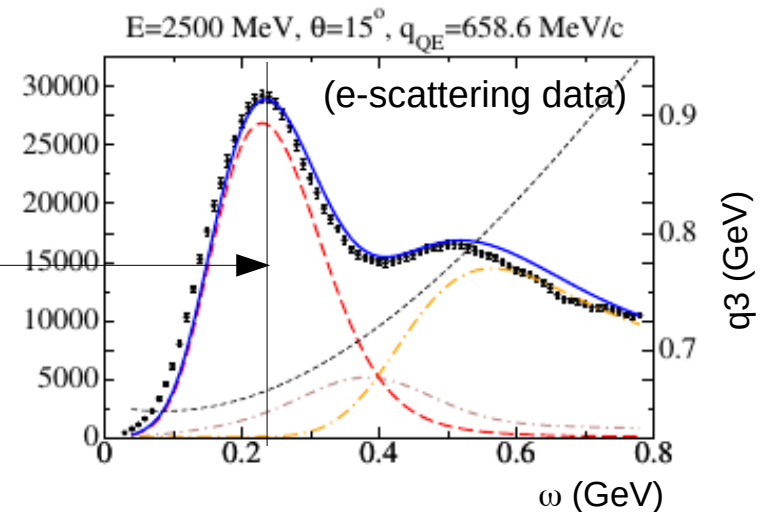
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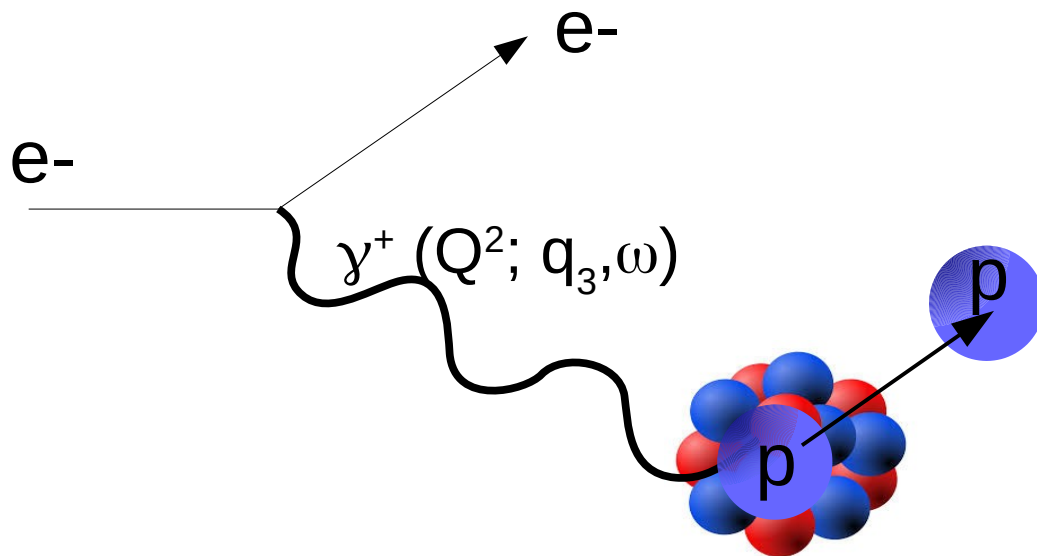
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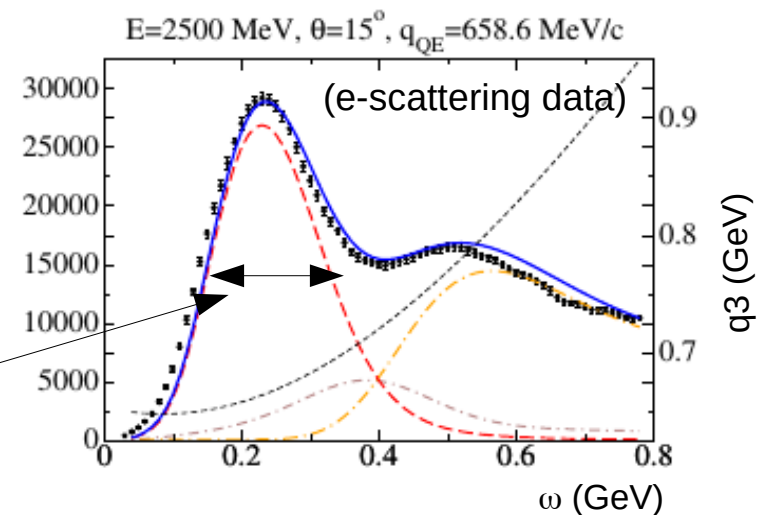
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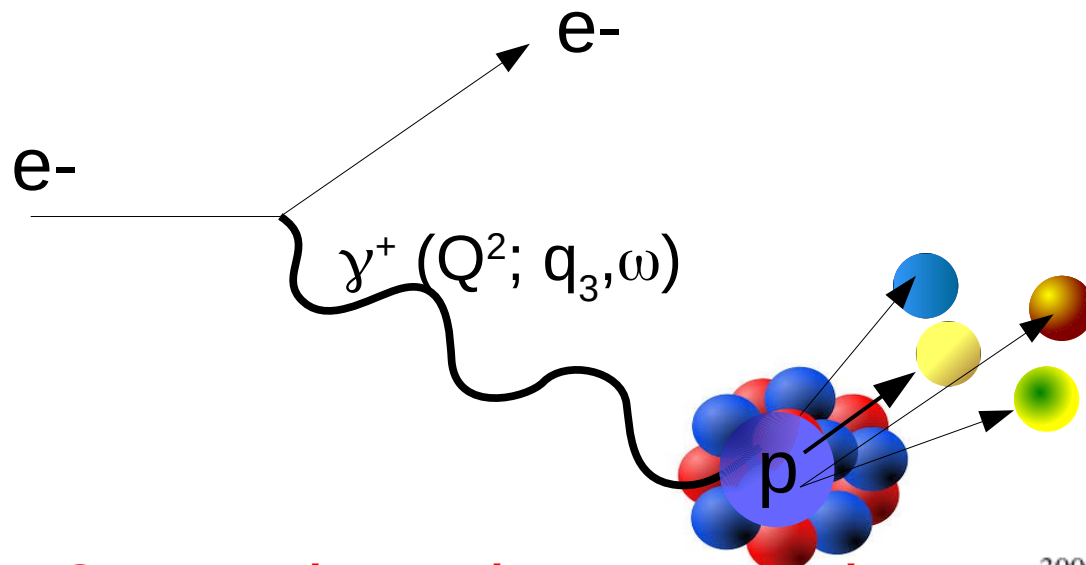
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- Quasi-Elastic scattering: nuclear effects on initial state nucleon



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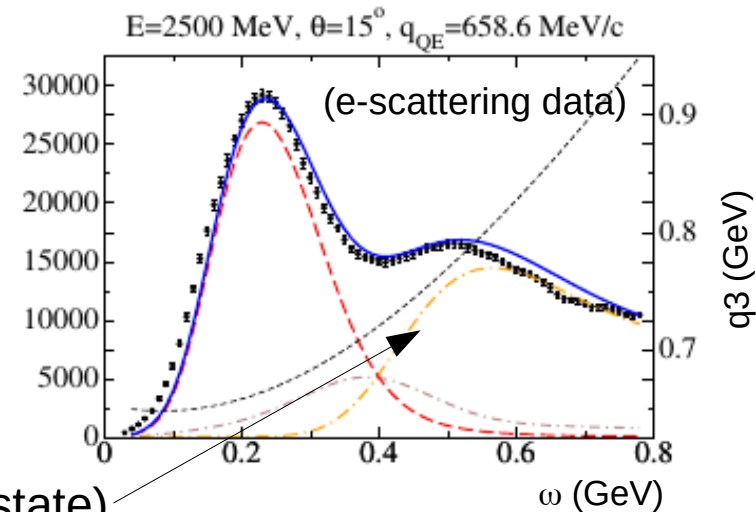
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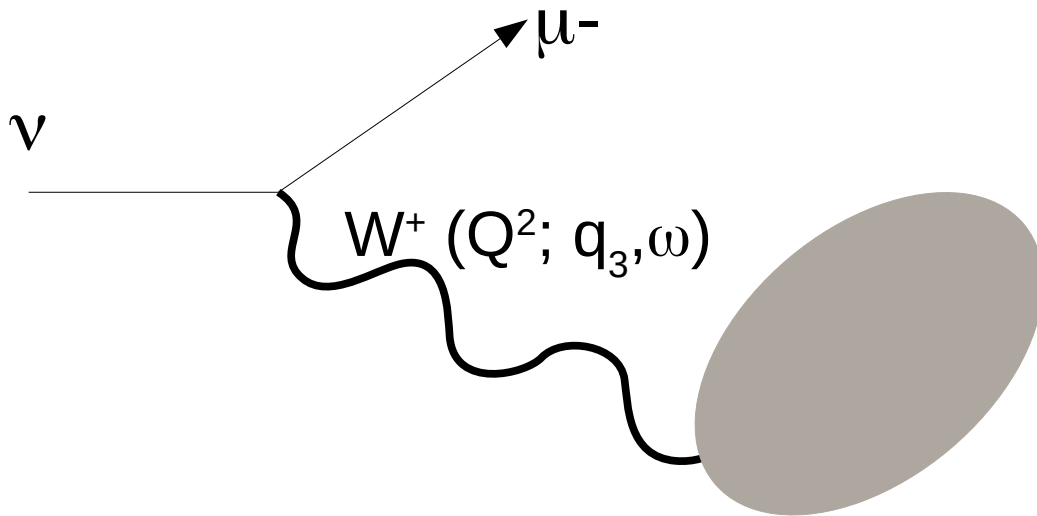
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- QE scattering on nucleon at rest
- QE scattering: nuclear effects on initial state nucleon
- non-QE event (multiple particle in the final state)



# Back to neutrinos...



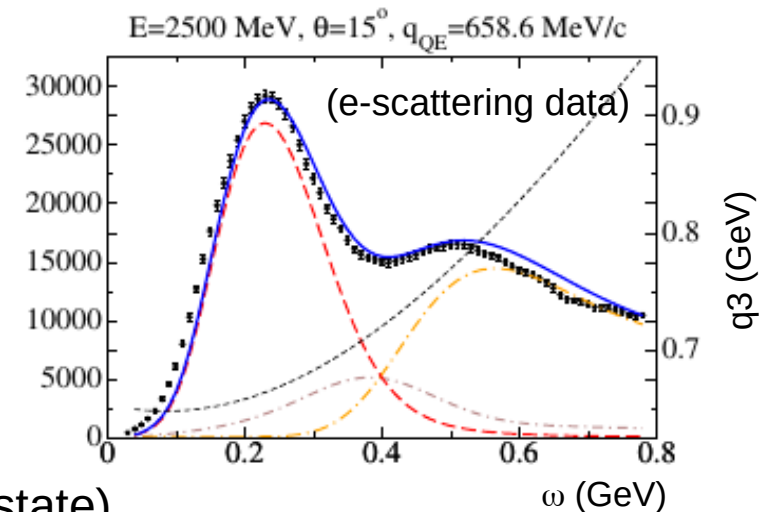
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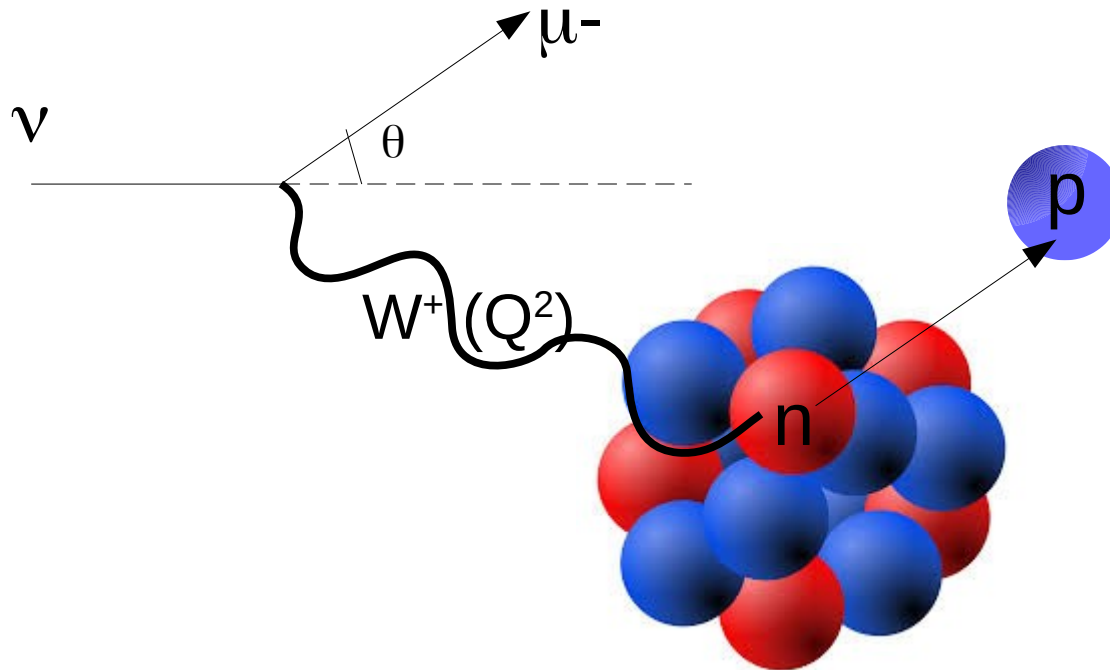


but the  $E_\nu$  is only known on average (flux) →  $q_3$ ,  $\omega$  are not known event by event from the leptonic leg only

→ Need to consider the **hadronic leg to get  $E_\nu$ : strongly affected by nuclear effects** 115  
e.g. initial nucleon momentum distribution, binding energy...

# Neutrino cross-section: $Q^2$ dependence

The fundamental variable is the transferred 4-momentum to the nucleus ( $Q^2$ )



$$Q^2 = (p_\mu - p_\nu)^2 \approx 2 E_\mu E_\nu (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\sigma(\nu - \text{Nucleus}) \sim |F(Q^2)|^2 \times \sigma_{\text{point-like}}(E_\nu, p_n, E_n) \times R(Q^2) \dots \text{and FSI!}$$

**Nucleon form factors**

**Nuclear effects on the initial state**

**collective nuclear effects of xsec screening/enhancement (RPA)**

**Need to measure the muon in large phase space (high angle and backward) to measure the  $Q^2$  dependence**

# Nucleon form factors

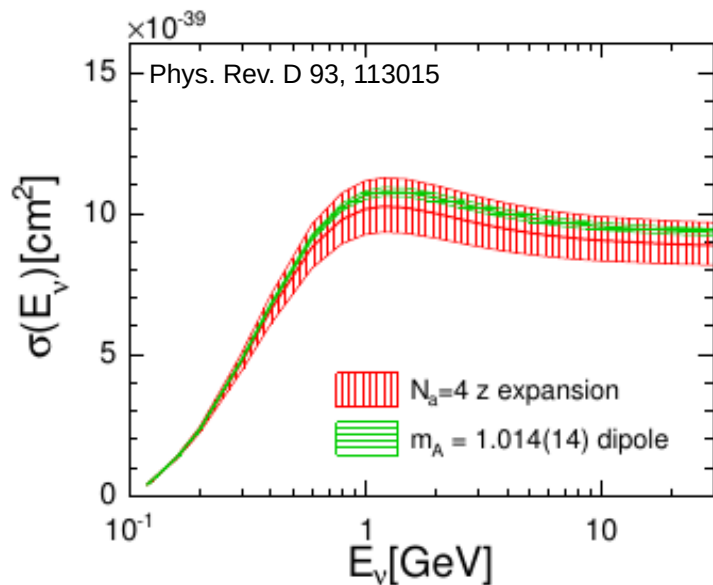
- The vector form factors are well known from electron scattering data → but what about the **axial form factor?**

Tuned from old bubble chamber data neutrino on deuterium (ANL, BNL, BEBC, FNAL, ...) and old data of pion photo-production

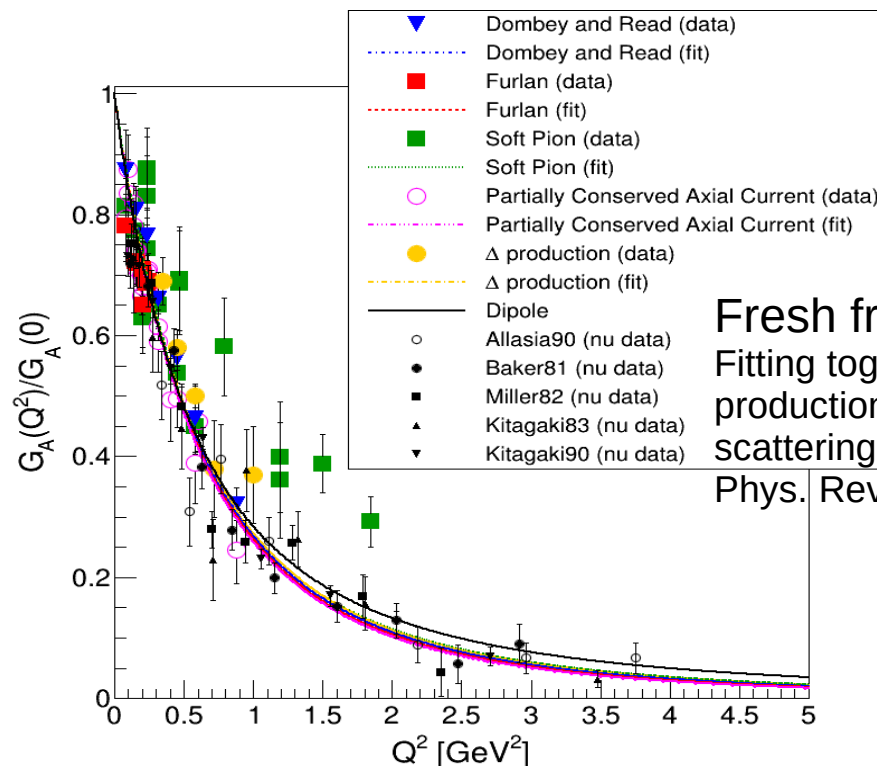
Dipole function usually assumed: 
$$F_A(Q^2) = \frac{g_A}{(1 + Q^2/M_A^{QE2})^2}$$



- Not well motivated! A lot of interest recently: **fit to bubble chamber data repeated with other models** based on QCD rules ('z expansion') or informed from pion photo-production



**Neutrino-nucleon xsec uncertainties re-evaluated**



Fresh from my laptop...  
Fitting together pion photo-production and neutrino scattering data with model in Phys. Rev. C 78, 031201

# Nuclear model

Various distributions of the momentum and energy of the nucleons in the nucleus

## Relativistic Global Fermi Gas (RFG)

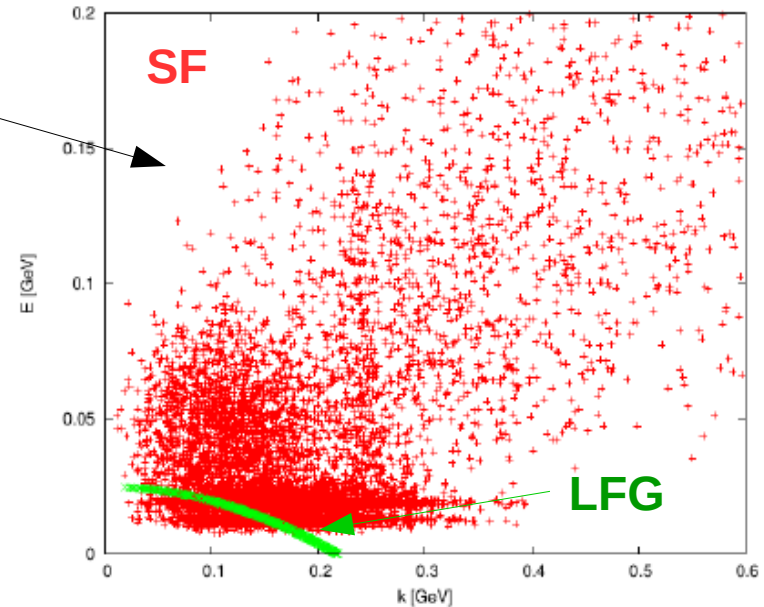
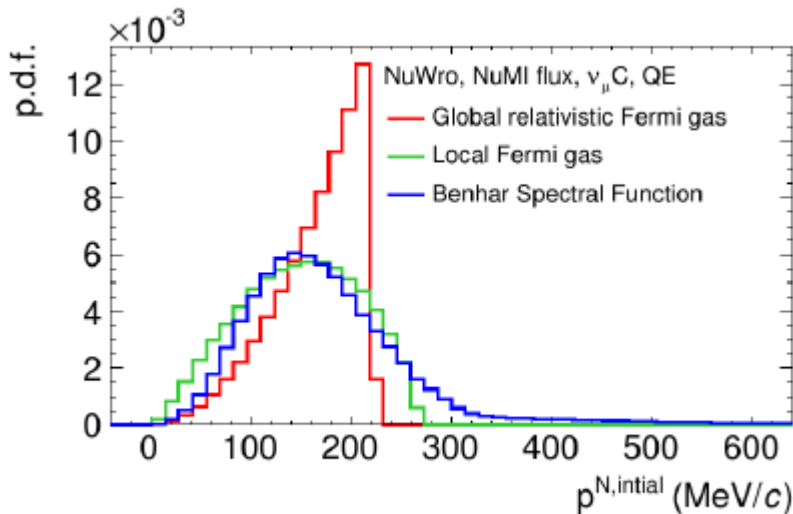
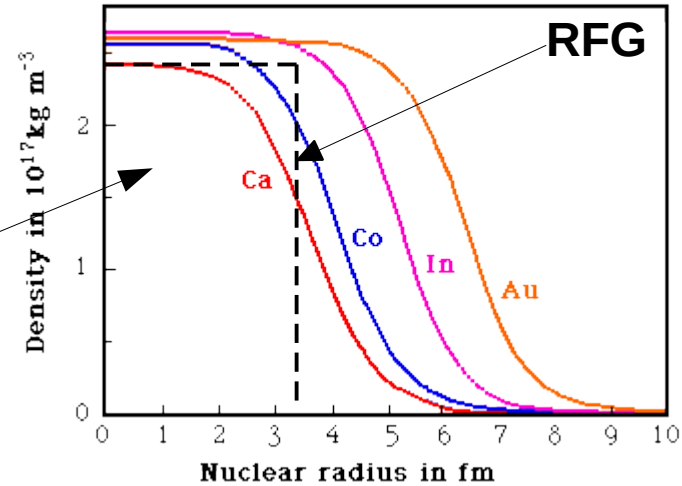
Fixed binding energy  
Nucleus is a box of constant density

## Local Fermi Gas (LFG)

momentum (and binding energy) depends on the radial position in the nucleus, following the density profile of the nuclear matter

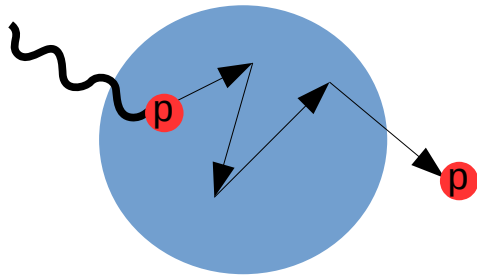
## Spectral function

More sophisticated 2-dimensional distribution of momentum and binding energy



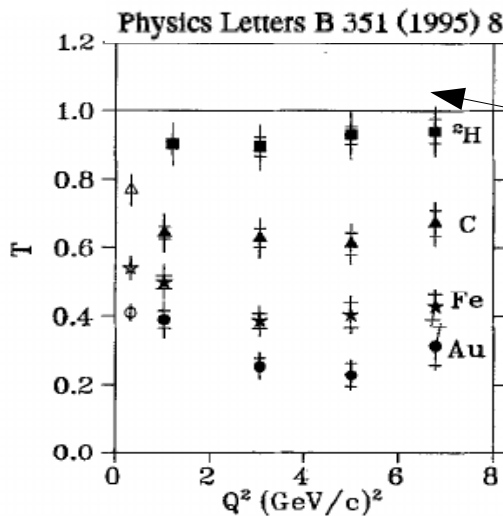
# Final state interactions

- Both **pions and protons rescatter before exiting the nucleus**: this change the kinematics, multiplicity and charge of the hadrons in the final state



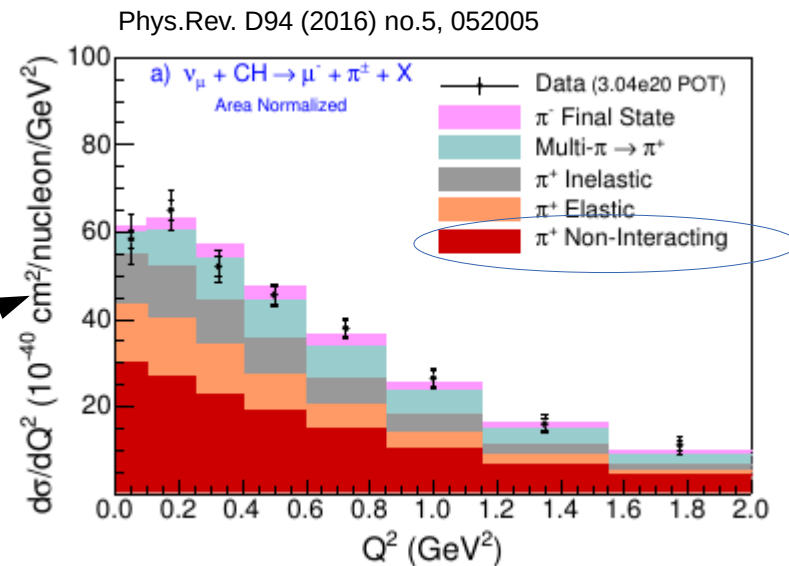
This process is simulated with approximated 'cascade' models tuned to pion-nucleus and proton-nucleus scattering cross-section

**This is not a small effect!**



proton transparency in electron scattering:  
in Ar FSI corrections for proton production is ~50%

Minerva CC1 $\pi$  sample:  
>50% pions re-interacted in the nucleus

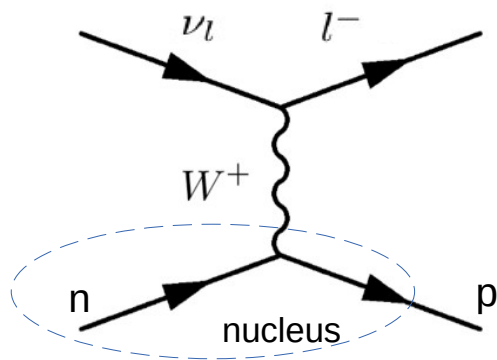


# FSI effect on topology reconstruction

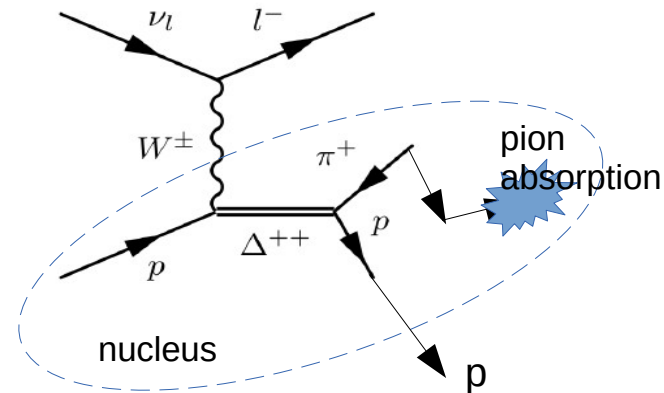
- **CC-RES events move into CCQE-like signal ( $CC0\pi$ )**

If we observe a muon and proton in the final state and no pions, we do not know if that event was:

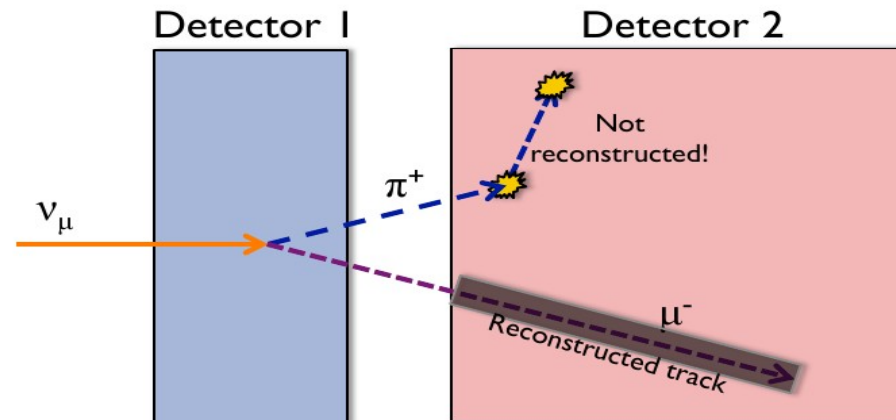
a 'real' CCQE event



or a RES event where the pion has been reabsorbed in the nucleus



The rescattering of the pion in the detector (outside) the original interacting nucleus is also relevant (**Secondary Interactions**)





# Real measurement:

background subtraction and efficiency corrections

$$N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD} = \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{measured-at-FD} \times p^{FD}}{\epsilon^{FD}} \quad N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND} = \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{measured-at-ND} \times p^{ND}}{\epsilon^{ND}}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{signal-measured}}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{signal}}$$

**efficiency corrects for events which escape the detection**  
(threshold, acceptance, containment...)

$$p = \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{measured} - N^{background}}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{measured}} = \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{signal-measured}}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{measured}}$$

**purity corrects for background**  
(events wrongly identified as  $\nu_{\alpha}$ )

Need to know efficiency and purity in order to correct for them → any possible mis-modeling of them causes a **systematic uncertainty in the oscillation analysis**

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}} \approx \frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{measured-at-FD}}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{measured-at-ND}} \times \frac{\epsilon^{ND}}{\epsilon^{FD}} \times \frac{p^{FD}}{p^{ND}}$$

What really matter is the difference between ND and FD (even when identical technology): eg, purity depends on ne/numu ratio, efficiency depends on size...

# $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance: $\delta_{CP}$ measurement

Search for CPV and measuring dCP are two very different experimental targets.  
Prospects for dCP precision ~10-15 degrees from each experiment of next generation

$$A_{CP} \equiv \frac{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)} \simeq -\frac{\sin 2\theta_{12} \sin \delta}{\sin \theta_{13} \tan \theta_{23}} \Delta_{21} + \text{matter effects},$$

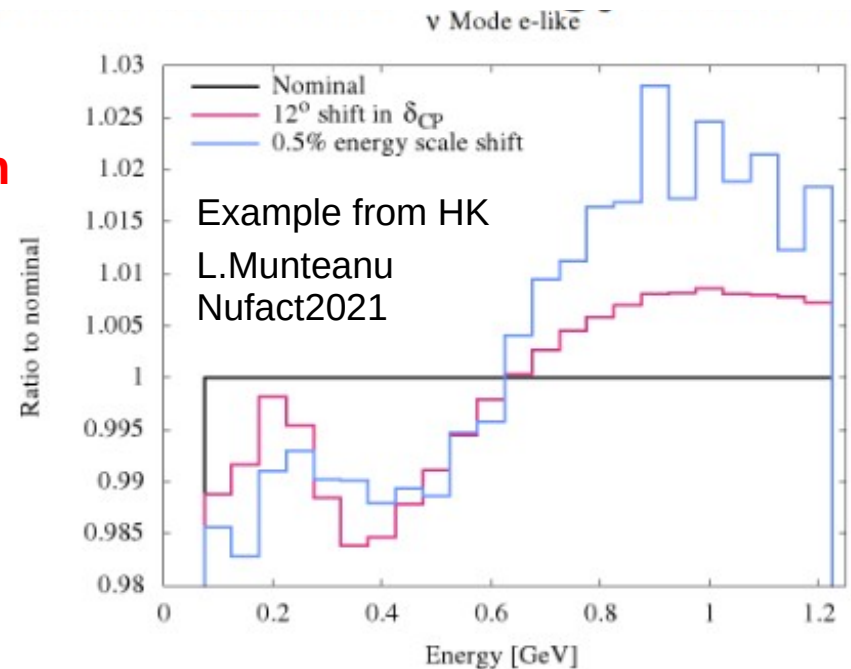
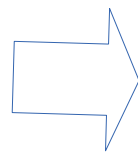
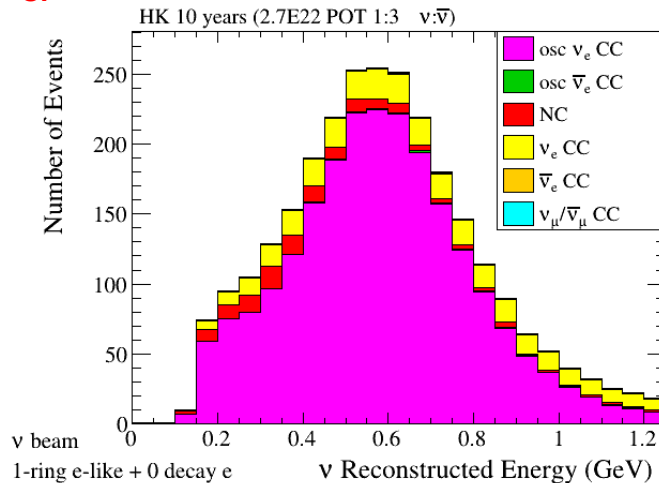
Actually at second order:

$$P_{\text{appearance}} \sim \pm A \sin \delta + B \cos \delta + \dots \quad \xrightarrow{\text{detailed formula}} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$P_{\text{long-baseline}} \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \Delta \mp \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin^3 \Delta + \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \cos \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \Delta \sin^2 \Delta + \alpha^2 \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta$$

with  $\alpha \equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{23}^2$  and  $\Delta \equiv \Delta m_{31}^2 L / (4E_\nu)$ .

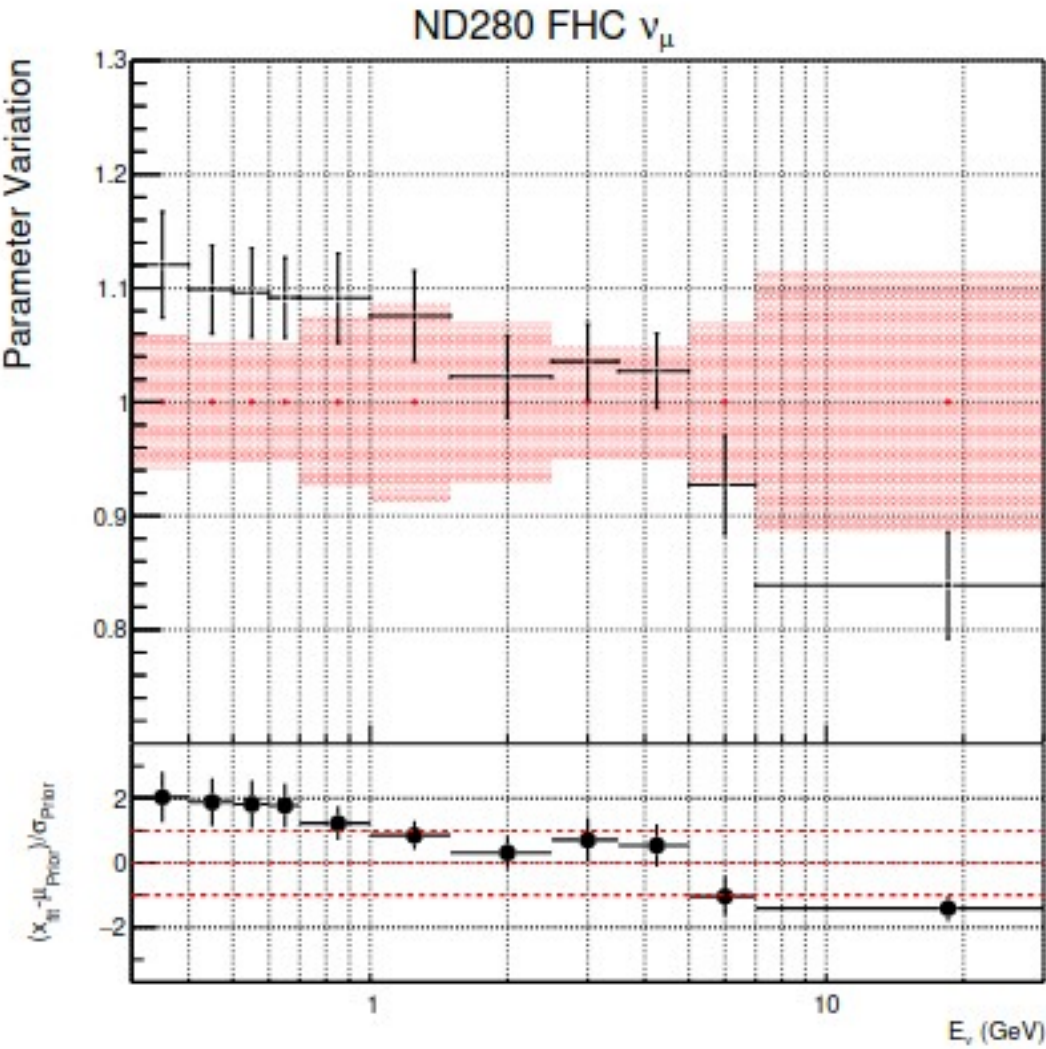
- At  $\delta_{CP} \sim \pm \pi/2$  the precision on  $\delta_{CP}$  ( $\sim P_{\text{app}}$  derivative vs  $\delta_{CP}$ ) is dominated by the second term: **precise energy spectrum measurement (cos  $\delta_{CP}$  dependence) dominate the resolution**



# Flux constraint from the ND

The ND measures the rate of neutrinos therefore it further constrain the flux

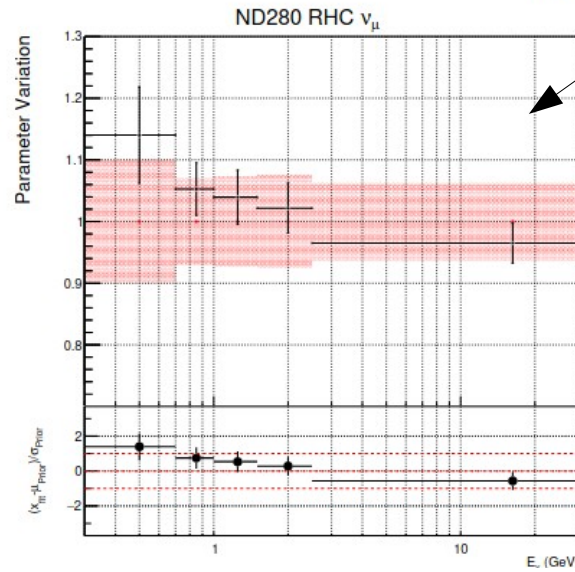
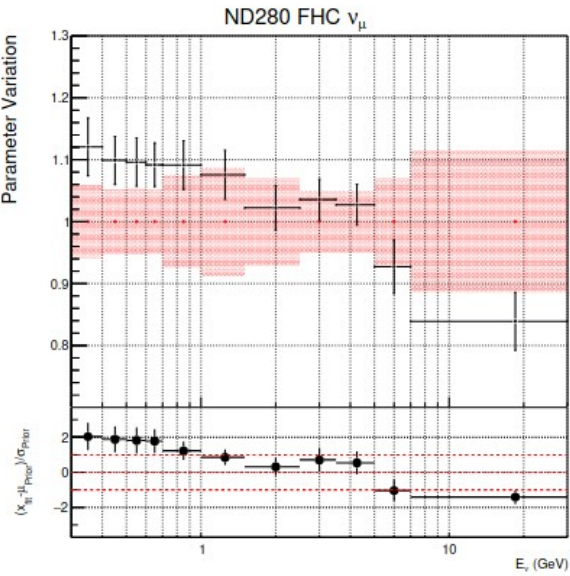
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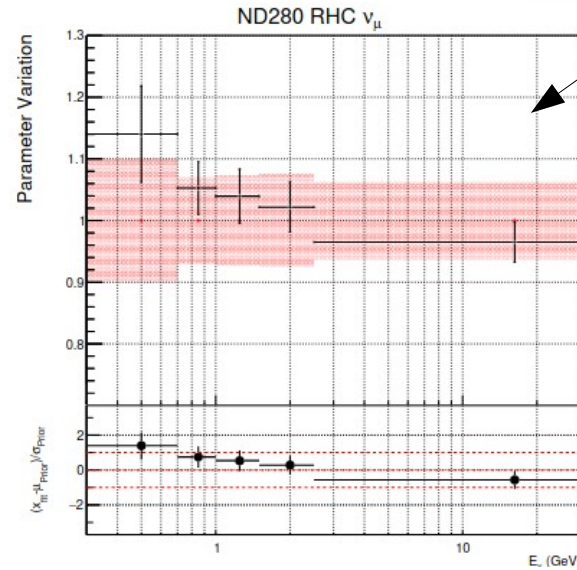
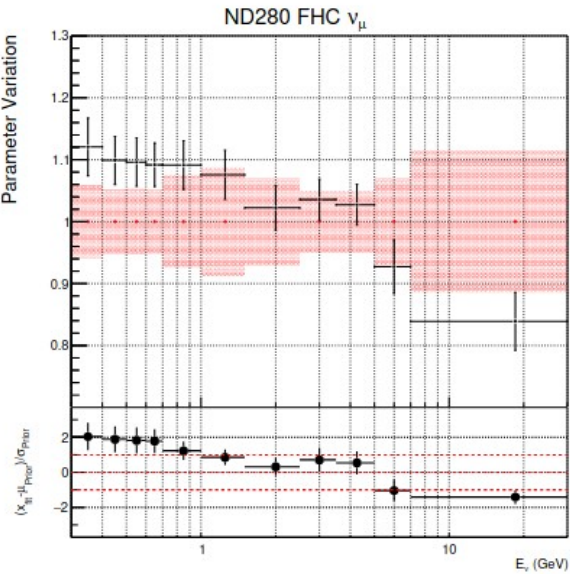


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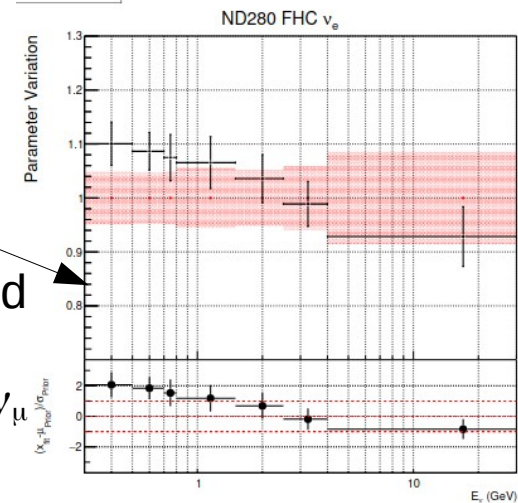
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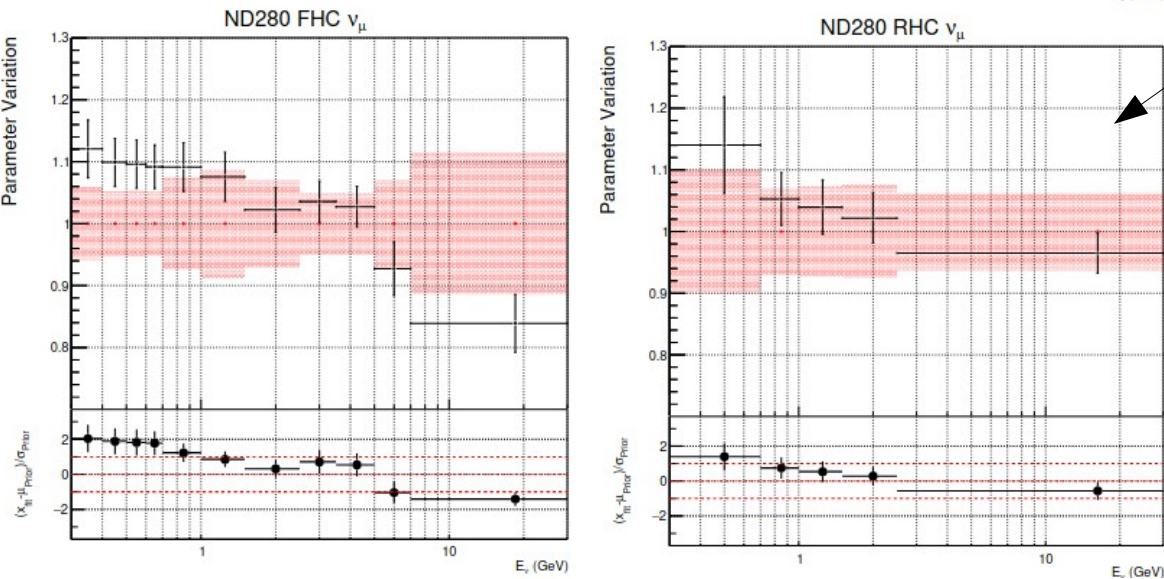
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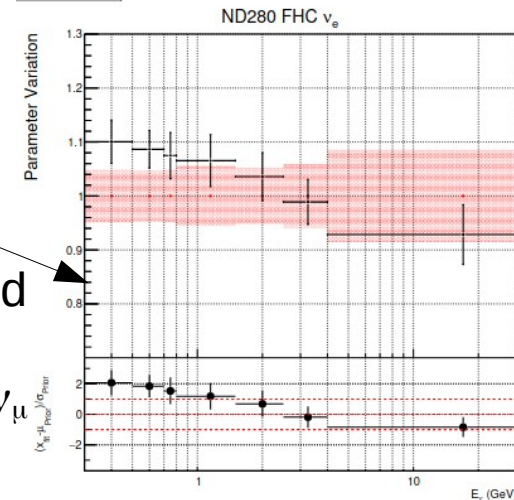
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	Pre- ND fit	Post- ND fit
flux	~5%	~2.8-3.0%
cross-section	~10-15%	~3.5-3.8%
flux+xsec		~2.6-2.8%
Total (+ xsec not accessible at ND, SK detector)	~17%	~3.5-5%

- Today xsec uncertainties dominate before the fit

- strong anticorrelation between flux and xsec

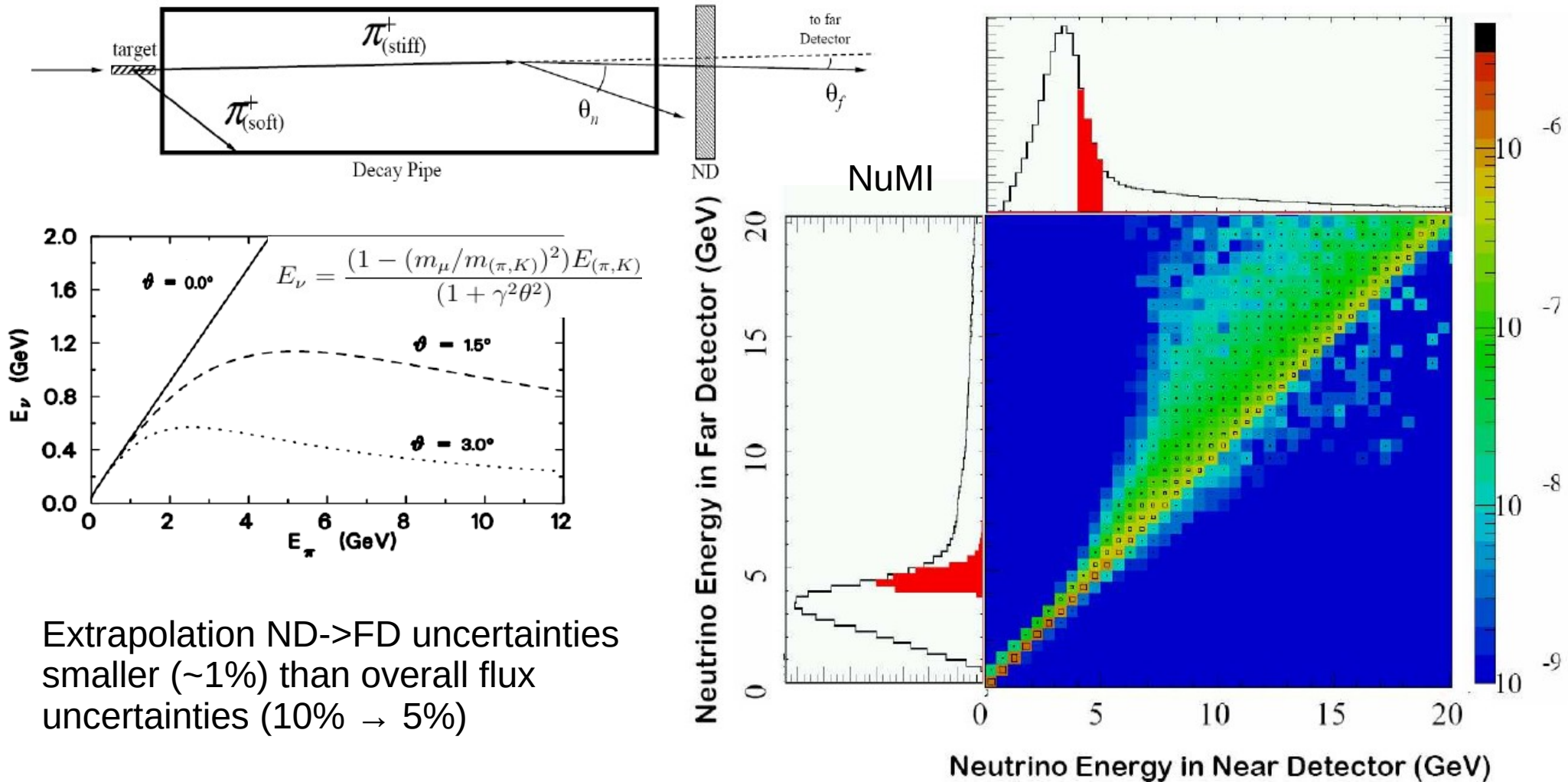
(would be 5-10% if uncorrelated)

- flux\*xsec constitutes ~50% of the final systematic error budget

# From ND to FD flux extrapolation

$$\frac{N_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{N_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} \approx P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha'}}(E_{\nu}) \times \frac{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{\phi_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})} \times \frac{\sigma_{\nu_{\alpha'}}^{FD}(E_{\nu})}{\sigma_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{ND}(E_{\nu})}$$

Different acceptance of pion angles  $\rightarrow$  different neutrino energies for same pion kinematics



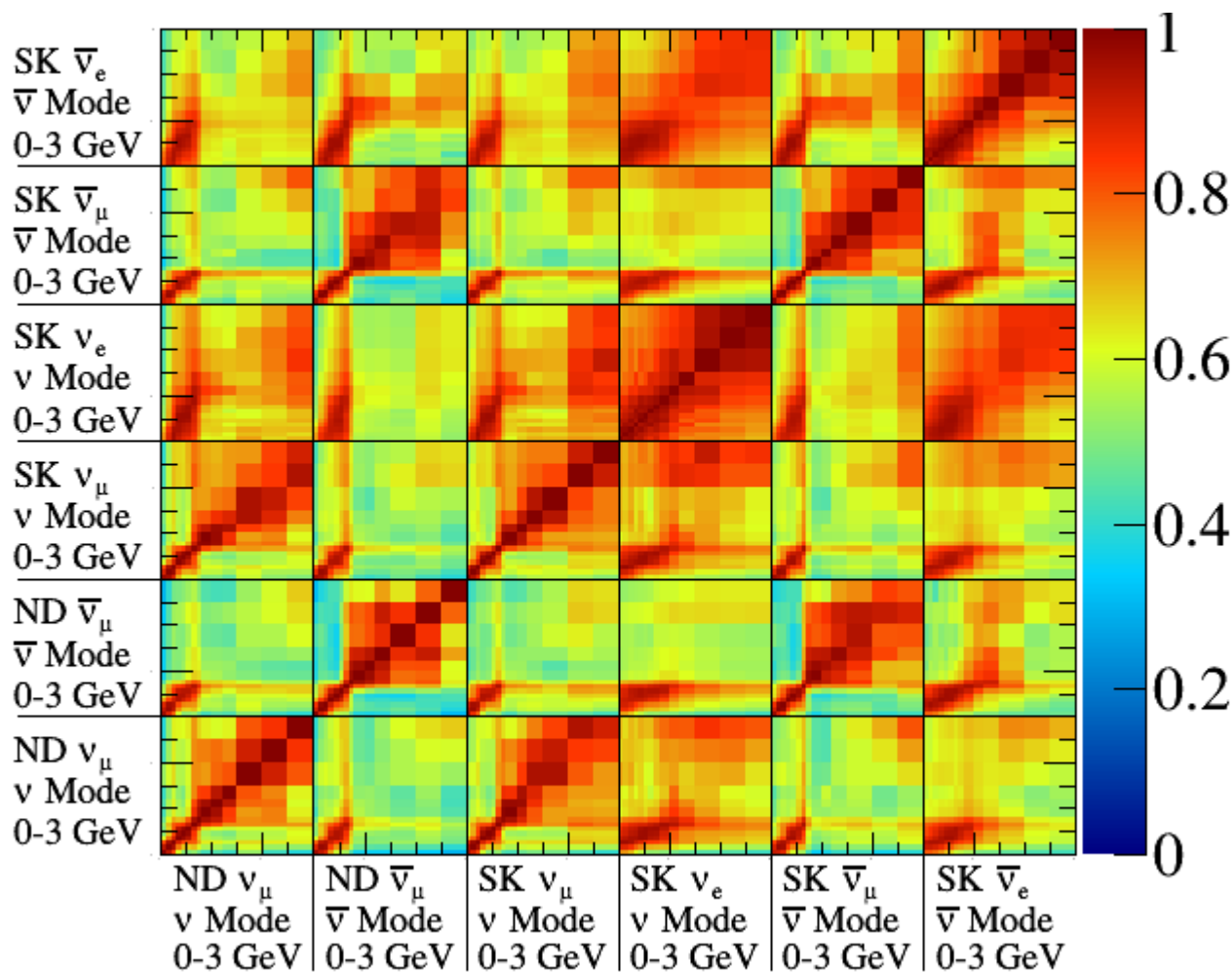
Extrapolation ND  $\rightarrow$  FD uncertainties smaller ( $\sim 1\%$ ) than overall flux uncertainties (10%  $\rightarrow$  5%)

# Flux correlations

Flux Correlations

$$\rho = \frac{\sigma_{cov.ij}^2}{\sigma_i \sigma_j} = \frac{\sum_{i,j} (f_i - \langle f_i \rangle)(f_j - \langle f_j \rangle)}{\sqrt{\sum_i (f_i - \langle f_i \rangle)^2 \sum_j (f_j - \langle f_j \rangle)^2}}$$

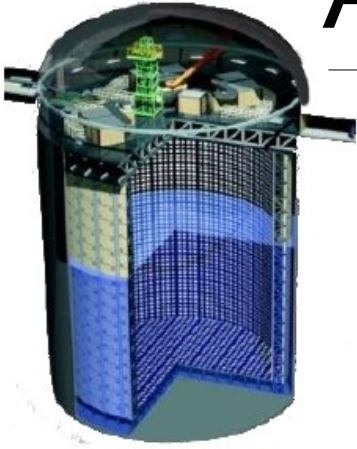
T2K



- **large correlation between ND and SK fluxes**
- Large correlations between different bins in the same 'mode' → **flux uncertainty is to large extent an overall normalization** (shape uncertainties are smaller)
- **Correlations between different modes and neutrino flavors:** (to a certain extent) we can use  $\nu_\mu$  data to constrain  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  or  $\nu_e$  fluxes



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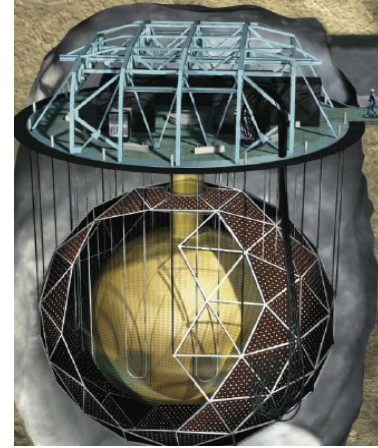


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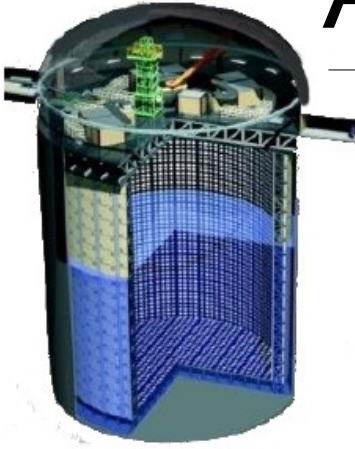
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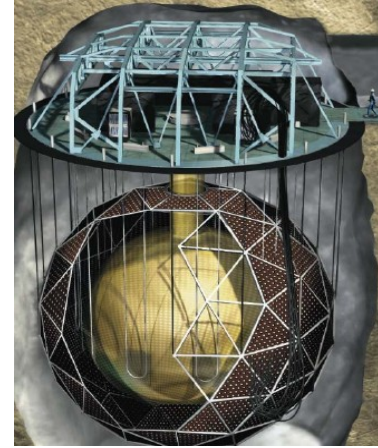
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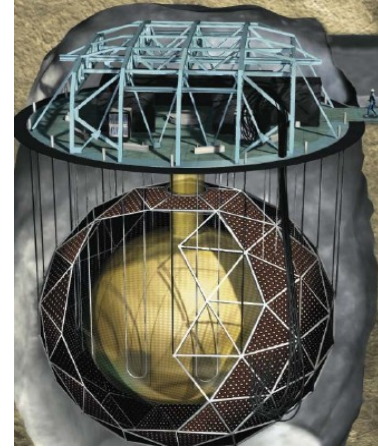


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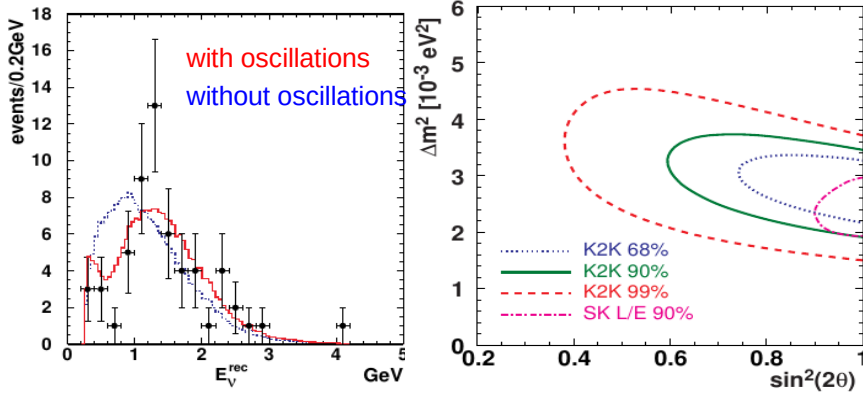
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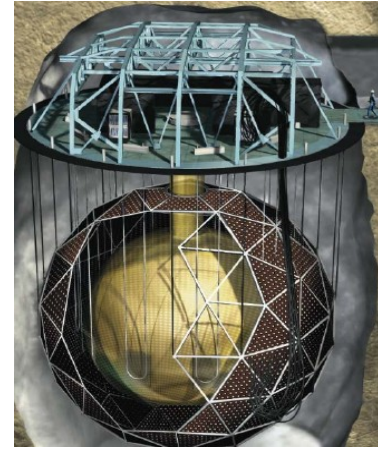


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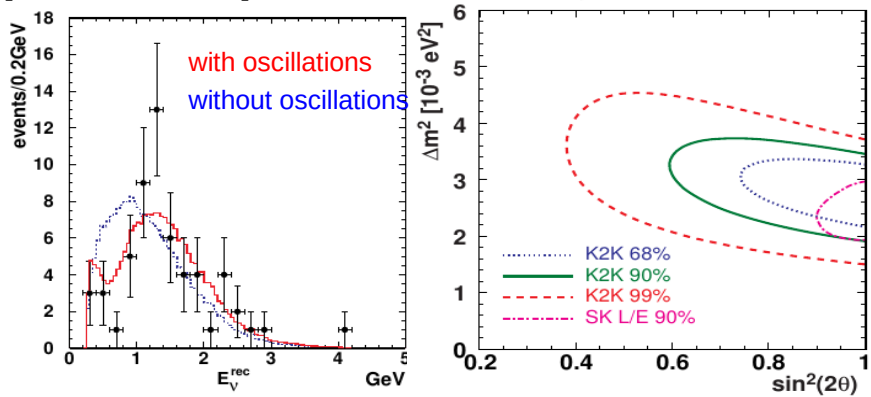
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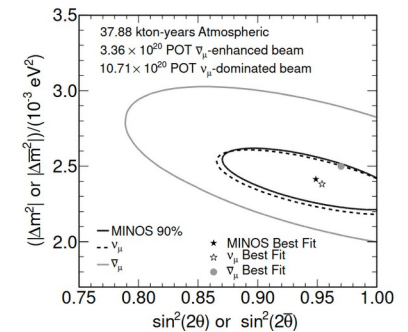
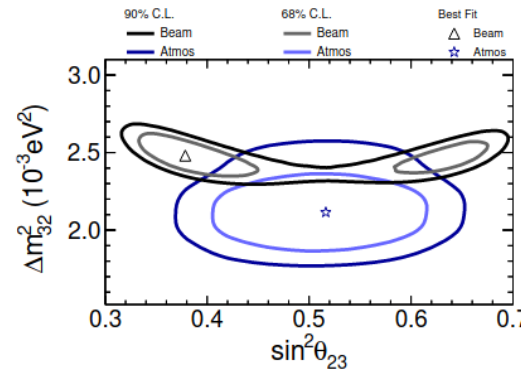
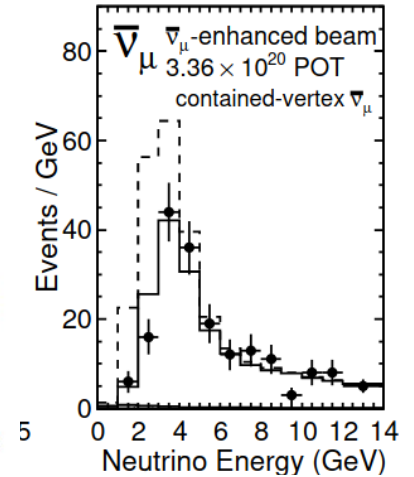
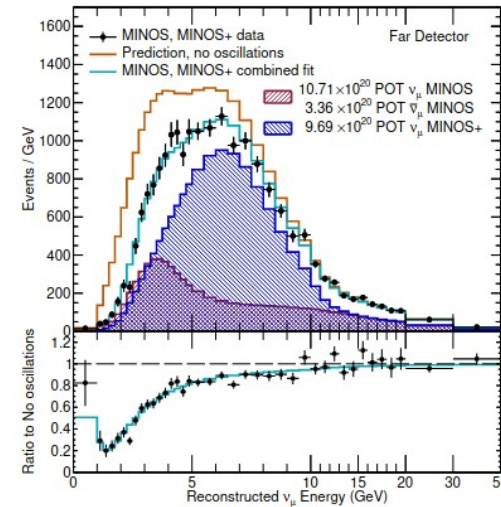
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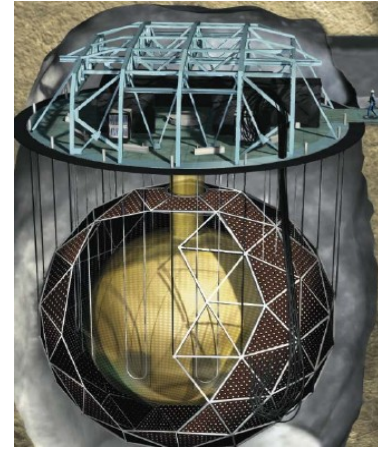


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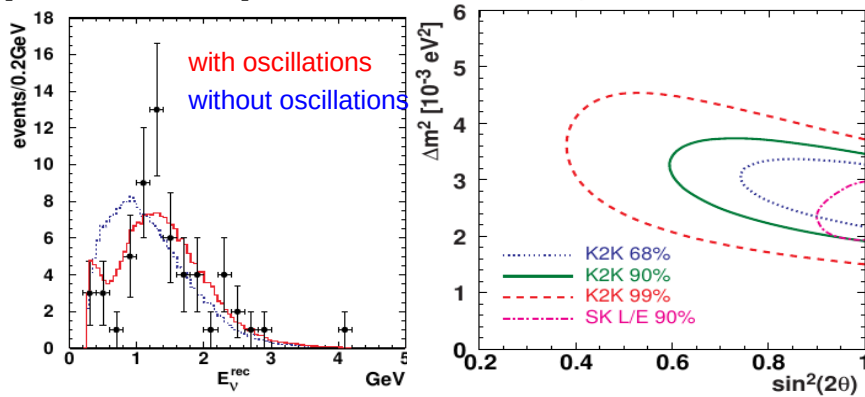
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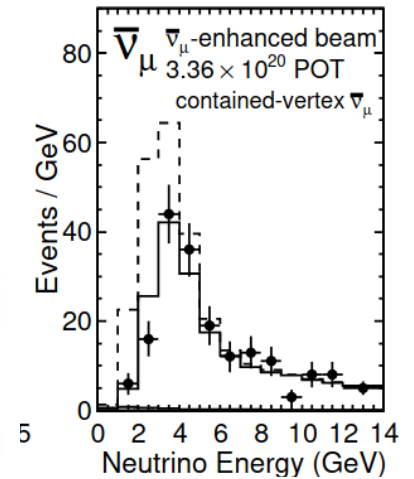
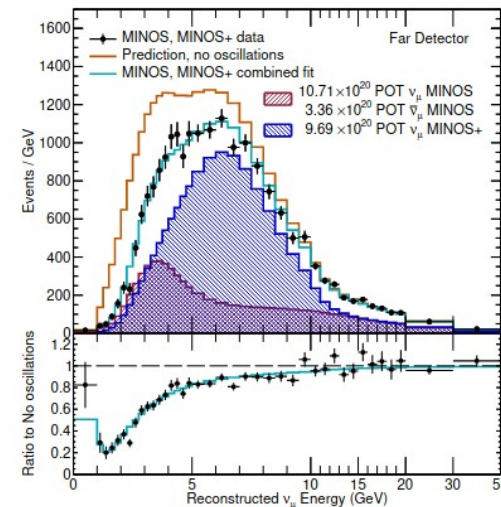


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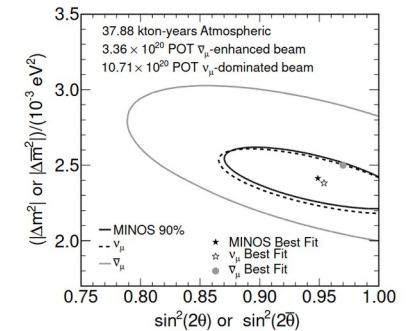
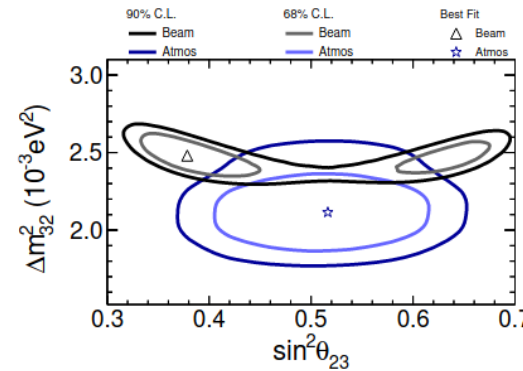
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Beyond  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance ( $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^2$ ): large statistics experiments looking for  $\nu_e$  appearance

- observation of  $\nu_e$  appearance
- T2K (2010 - today)**
- to measure **MH**, longer baseline:
- NOVA started 2014**
- **T2K Nature 2020 first results on  $\delta_{CP}$  !**



# Status of PMNS measurements: joint fits

Recent reference with full details:

## Three flavour oscillation parameters

global analysis **NuFIT 5.1 results** [www.nu-fit.org](http://www.nu-fit.org)

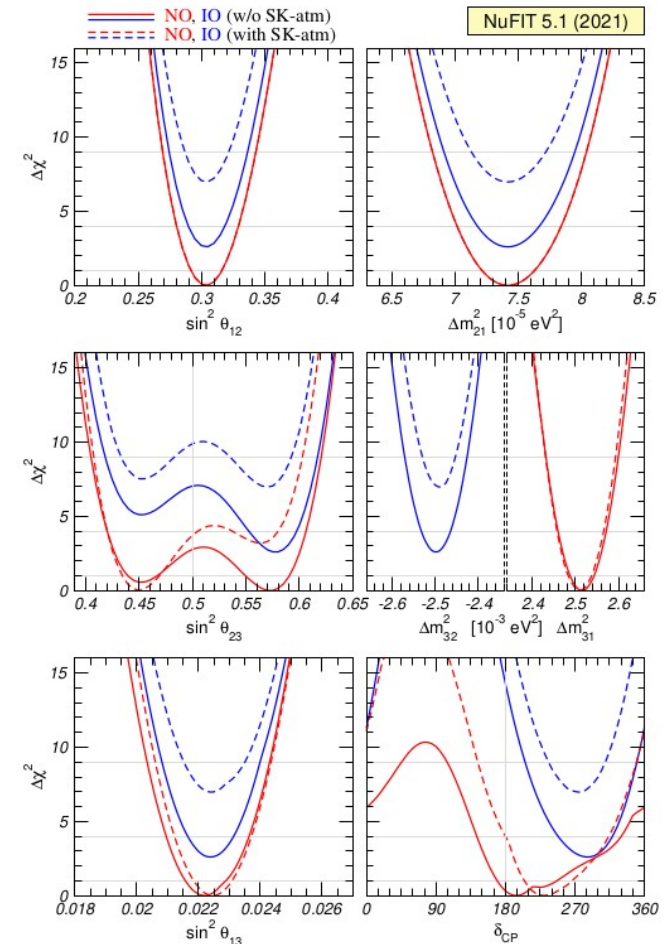
Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz, Zhou, JHEP'20 [2007.14792]

	Normal Ordering (best fit)		Inverted Ordering ( $\Delta\chi^2 = 7.0$ )		
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	
with SK atmospheric data	$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.304^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	0.269 $\rightarrow$ 0.343	$0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	0.269 $\rightarrow$ 0.343
	$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.45^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$	31.27 $\rightarrow$ 35.87	$33.45^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	31.27 $\rightarrow$ 35.87
	$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.450^{+0.019}_{-0.016}$	0.408 $\rightarrow$ 0.603	$0.570^{+0.016}_{-0.022}$	0.410 $\rightarrow$ 0.613
	$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$42.1^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$	39.7 $\rightarrow$ 50.9	$49.0^{+0.9}_{-1.3}$	39.8 $\rightarrow$ 51.6
	$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.02246^{+0.00062}_{-0.00062}$	0.02060 $\rightarrow$ 0.02435	$0.02241^{+0.00074}_{-0.00062}$	0.02055 $\rightarrow$ 0.02457
	$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.62^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$	8.25 $\rightarrow$ 8.98	$8.61^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$	8.24 $\rightarrow$ 9.02
	$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$230^{+36}_{-25}$	144 $\rightarrow$ 350	$278^{+22}_{-30}$	194 $\rightarrow$ 345
	$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.82 $\rightarrow$ 8.04	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.82 $\rightarrow$ 8.04
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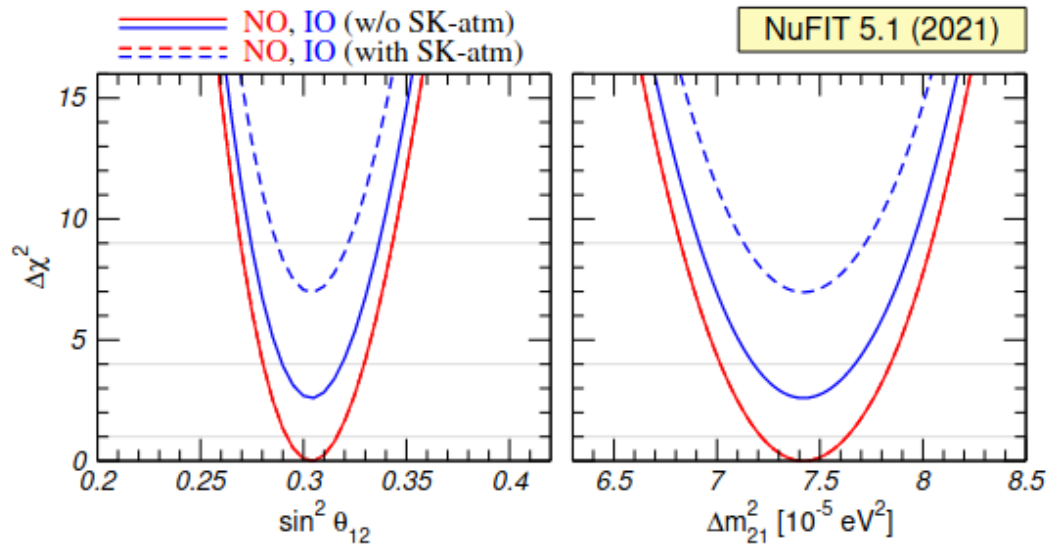
comparable results:

**Bari:** e.g. Capozzi et al., 2107.00532

**Valencia:** e.g. deSalas et al., 2006.11237



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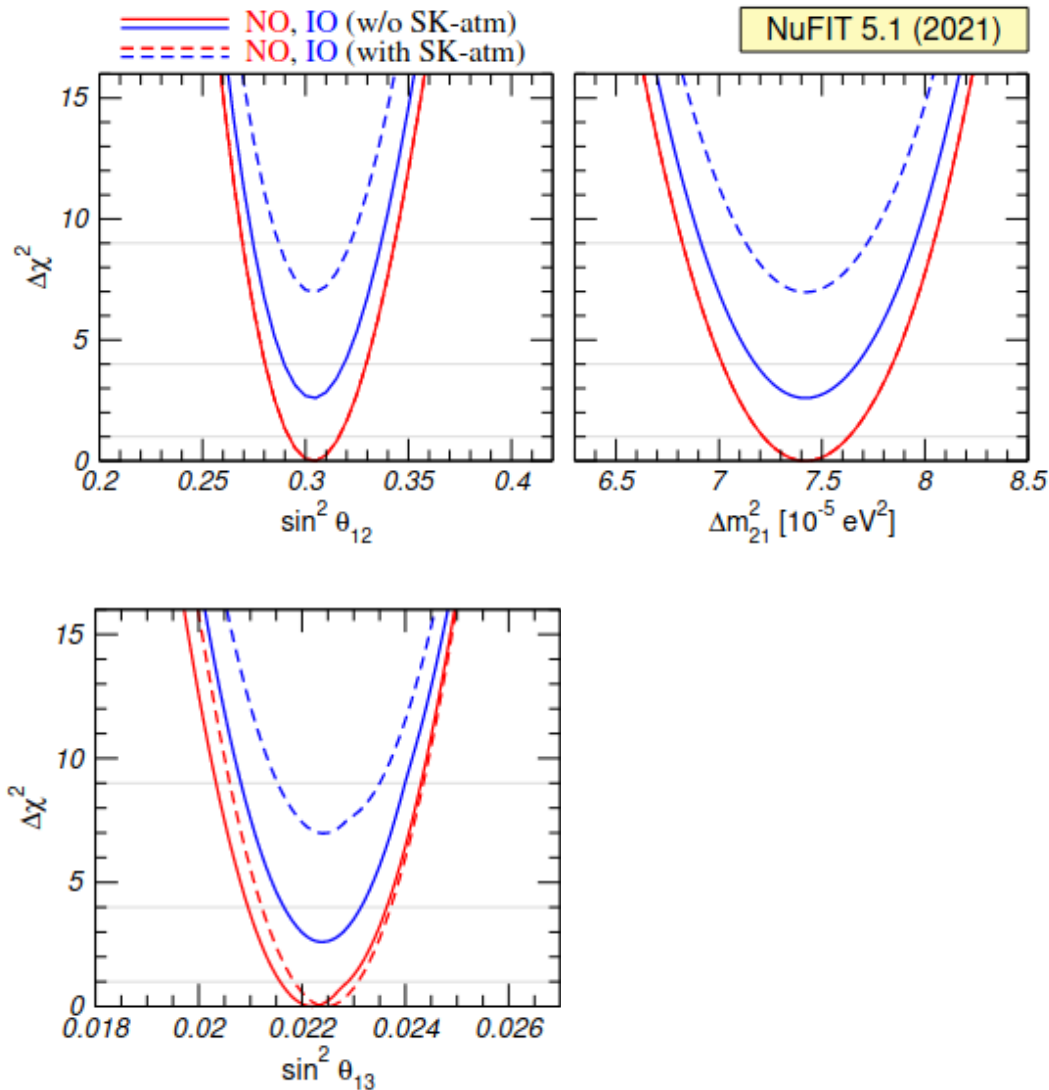


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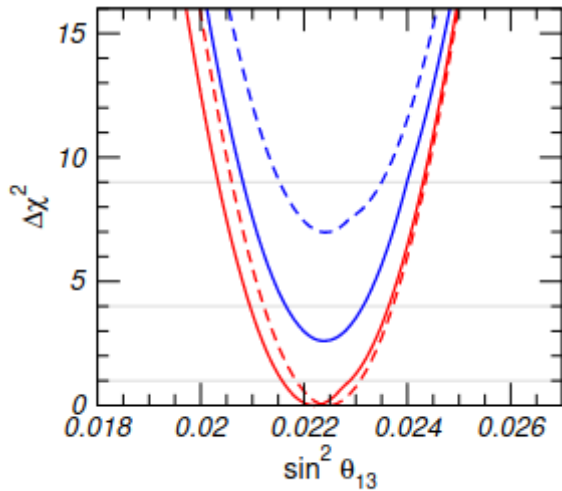
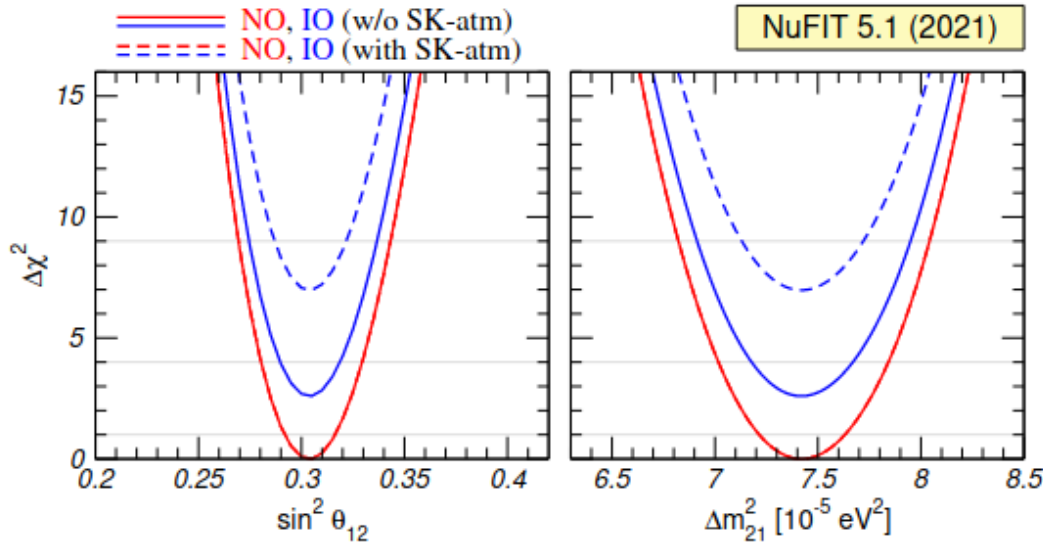
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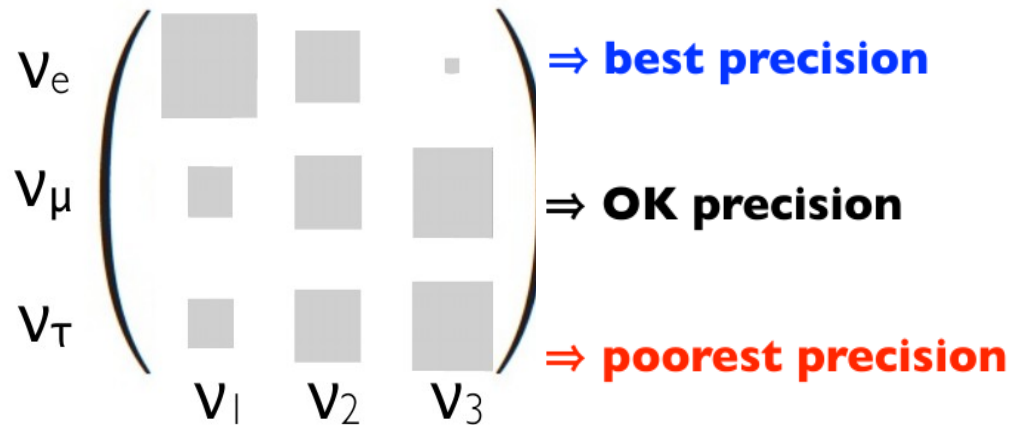
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### Best avenue for PMNS unitarity test:



Exploring unitarity from different rows

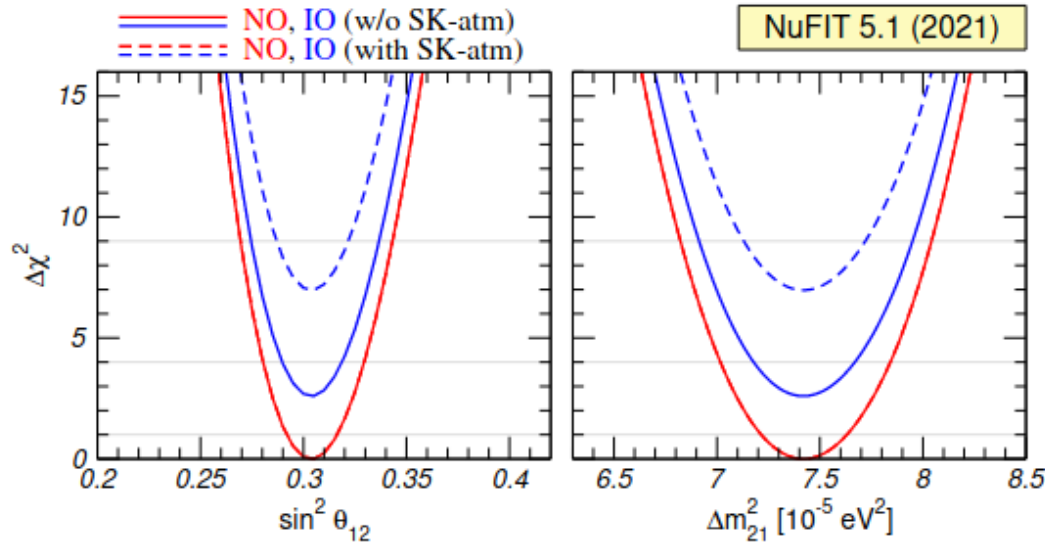
$$UU^\dagger = U^\dagger U = I \Rightarrow \text{many equations!!} \quad |U_{l1}|^2 + |U_{l2}|^2 + |U_{l3}|^2 = 1$$

→ best limit expected from **electron top row**:  $\theta_{13}$

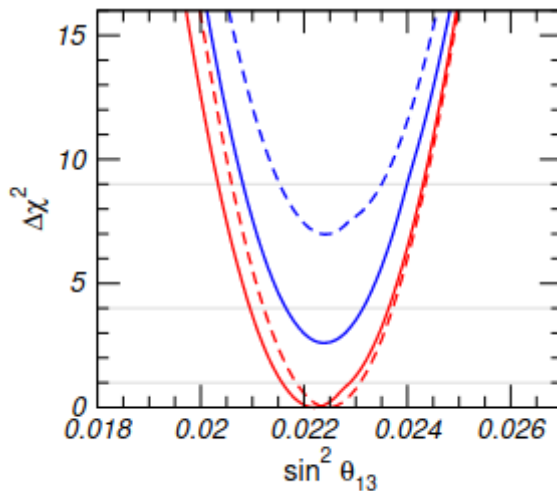
from reactors and  $\theta_{12}$  from JUNO

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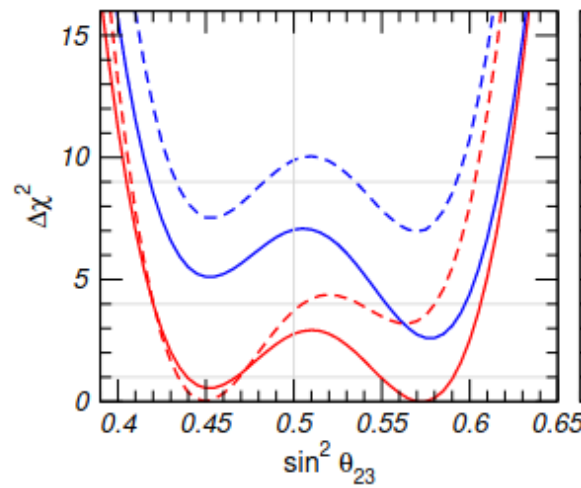
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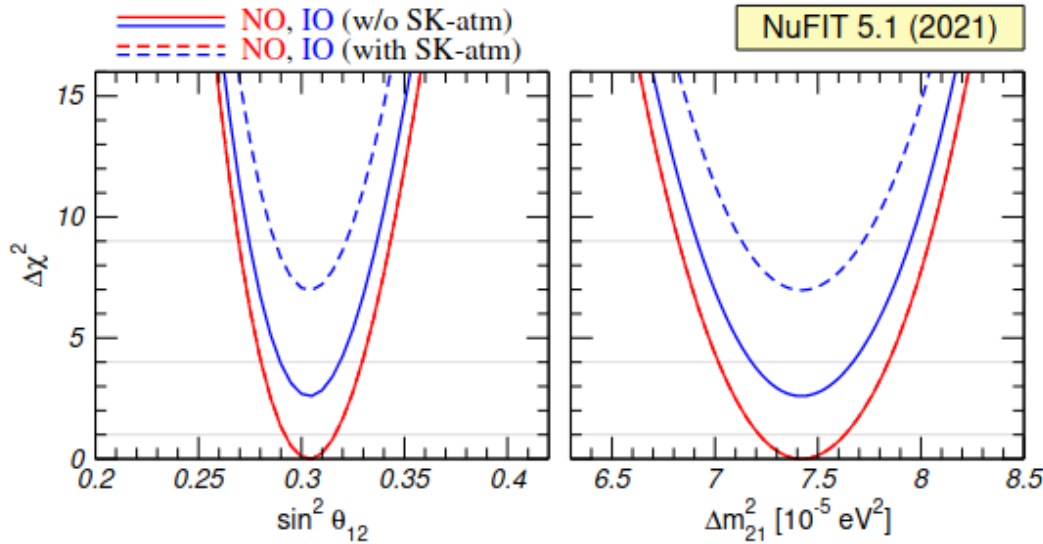
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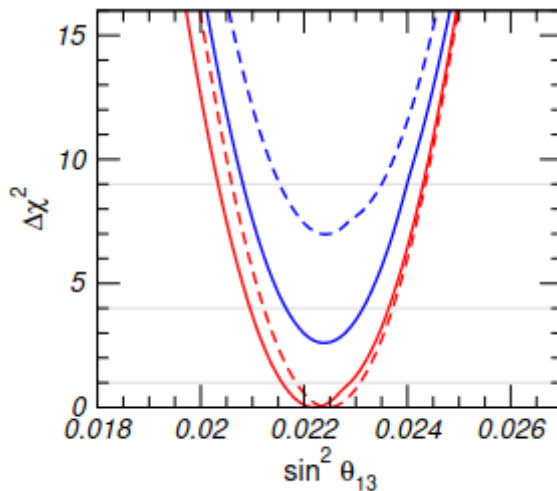


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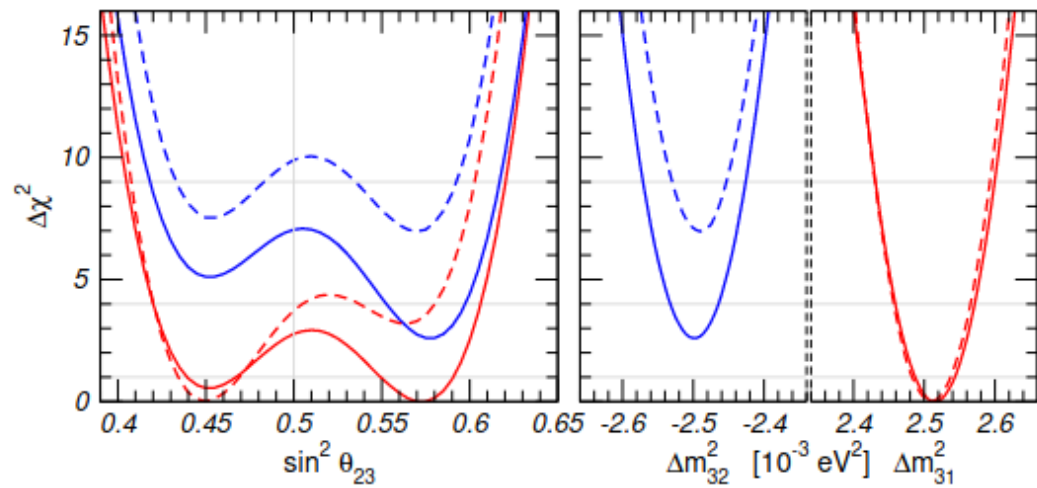
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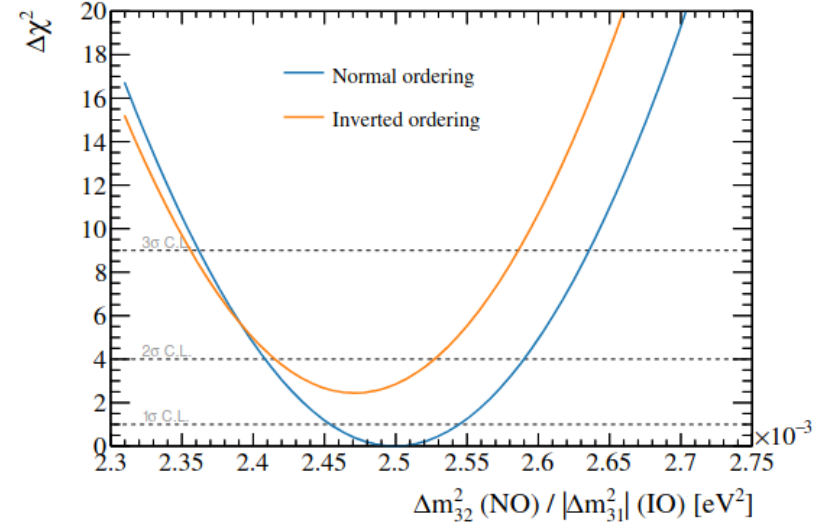
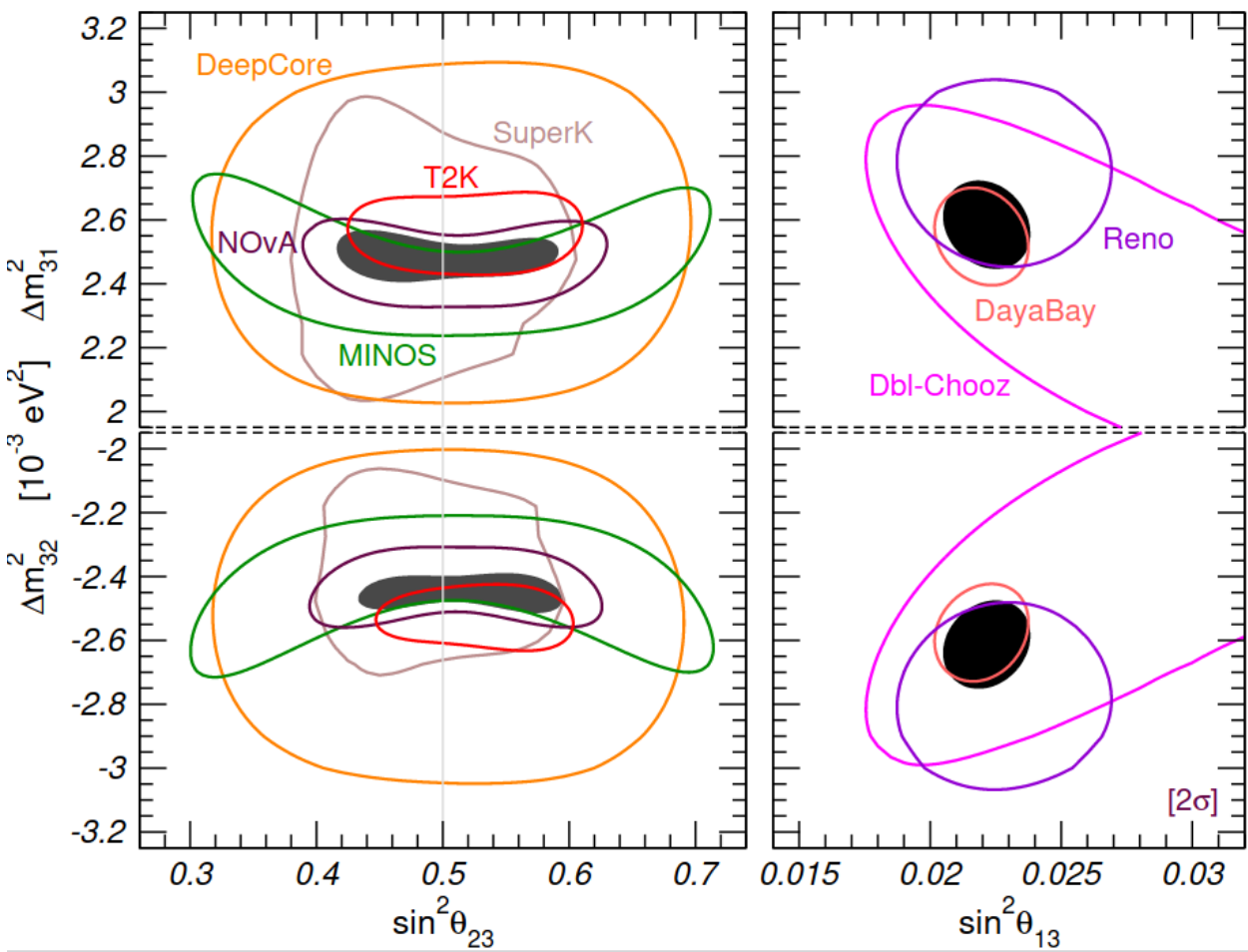
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- **$|\Delta m^2_{31(32)}|$  ~1%** (not so robust...) → **important to get <1%** (see later) **challenging to control systematics uncertainties**



# Status of PMNS measurements: zoom on $|\Delta m^2_{31(32)}|$

NuFIT 5.1 (2021)



(b) T2K + reactor

T2K: 2% precision with 1%  
shift between NO and IO

Similar resolution and shift in NOVA

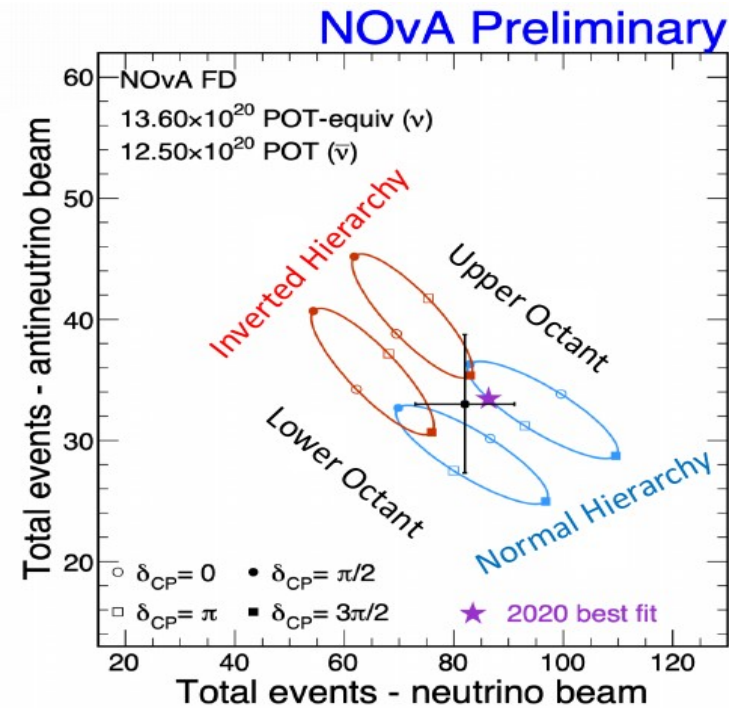
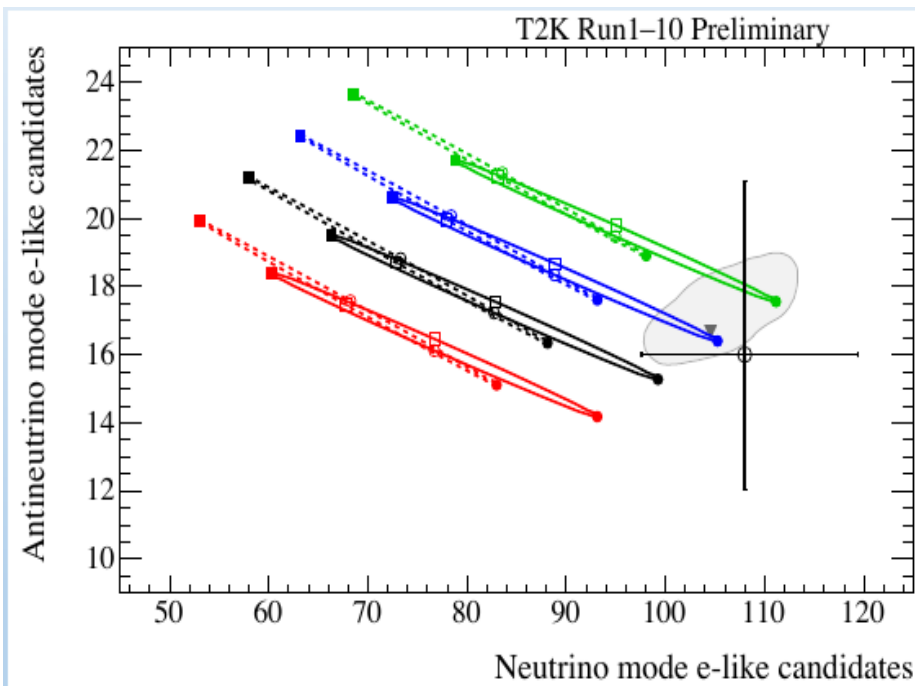
# $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance: MH, $\delta_{CP}$

Experiment	CP asymmetry	Mass Hierarchy
T2K (T2HK)	~30%	~10%
Nova	~30%	~30%

- **T2K: clean  $\delta_{CP}$  measurement with small MH sensitivity**

- **NOVA: degenerate  $\delta_{CP}$  and MH: ( $\delta_{CP} 3\pi/2$  and IH =  $\delta_{CP} \pi/2$  and NH)**

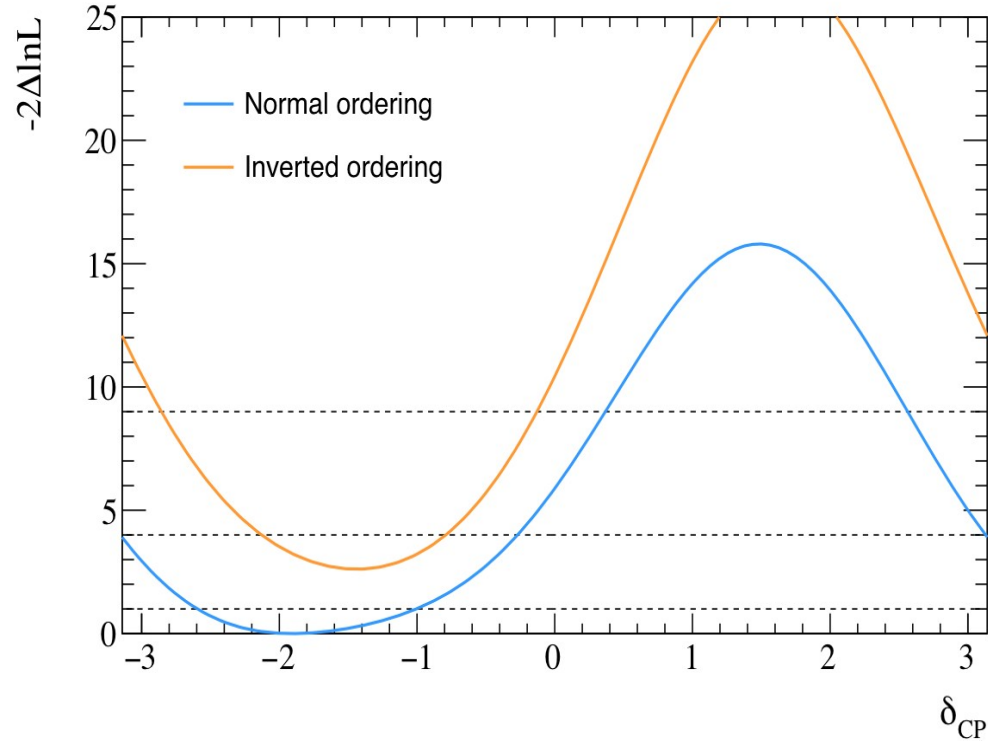
*Using 2020 results in the following (2022 improved analyses confirmed the situation)*



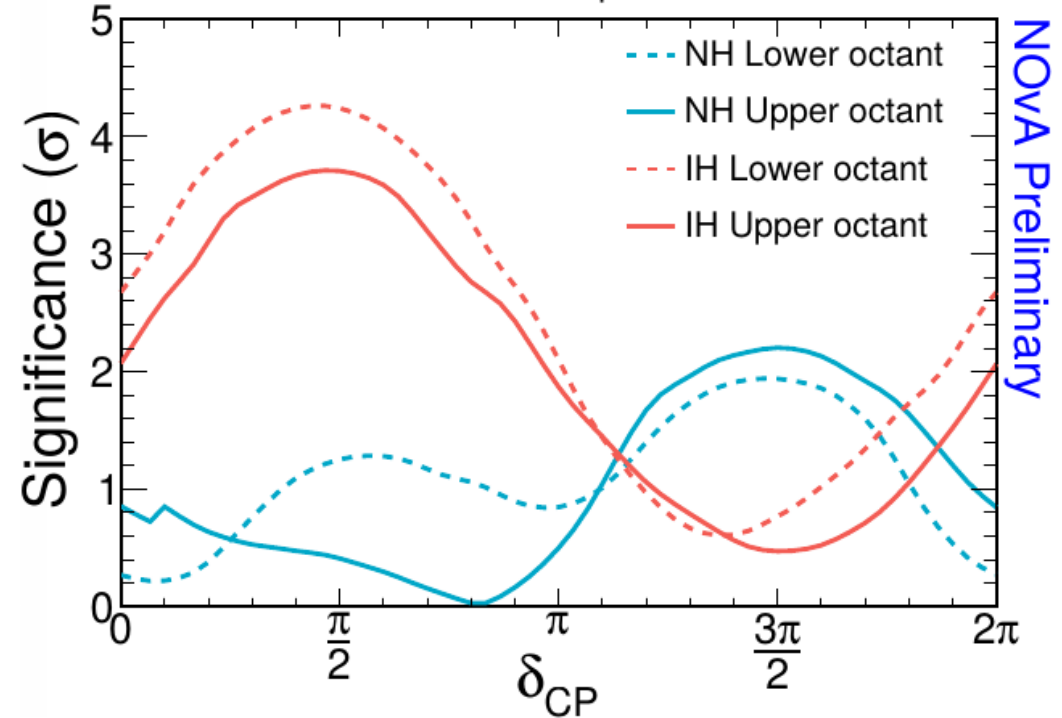
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- ▼ Best-fit
- ⊖ Data (68% stat err.)

# Results

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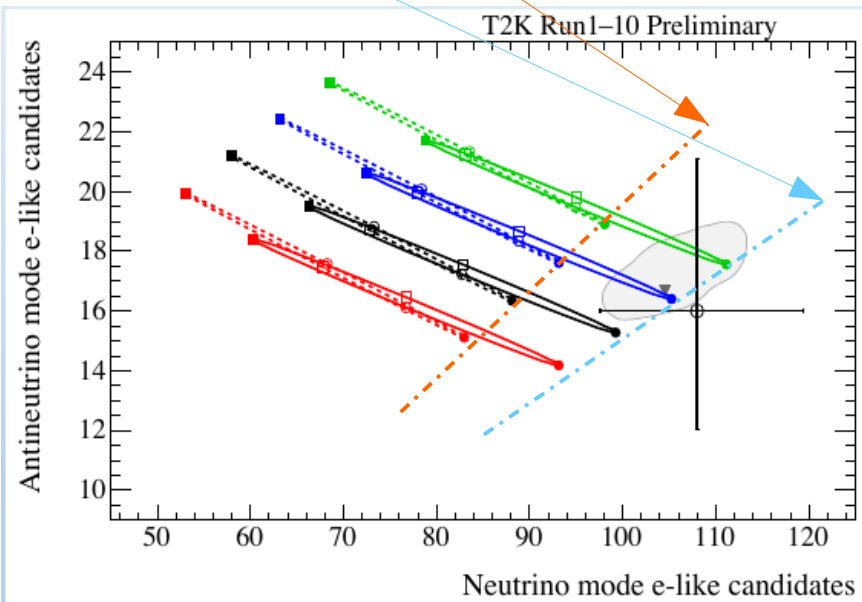
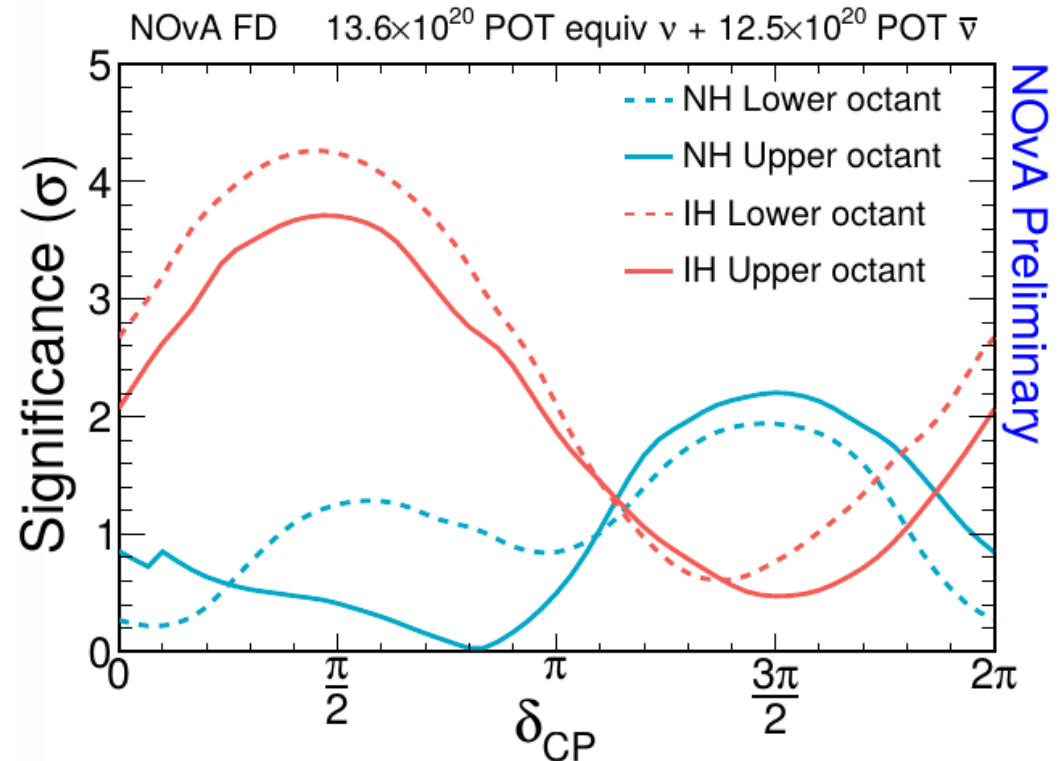
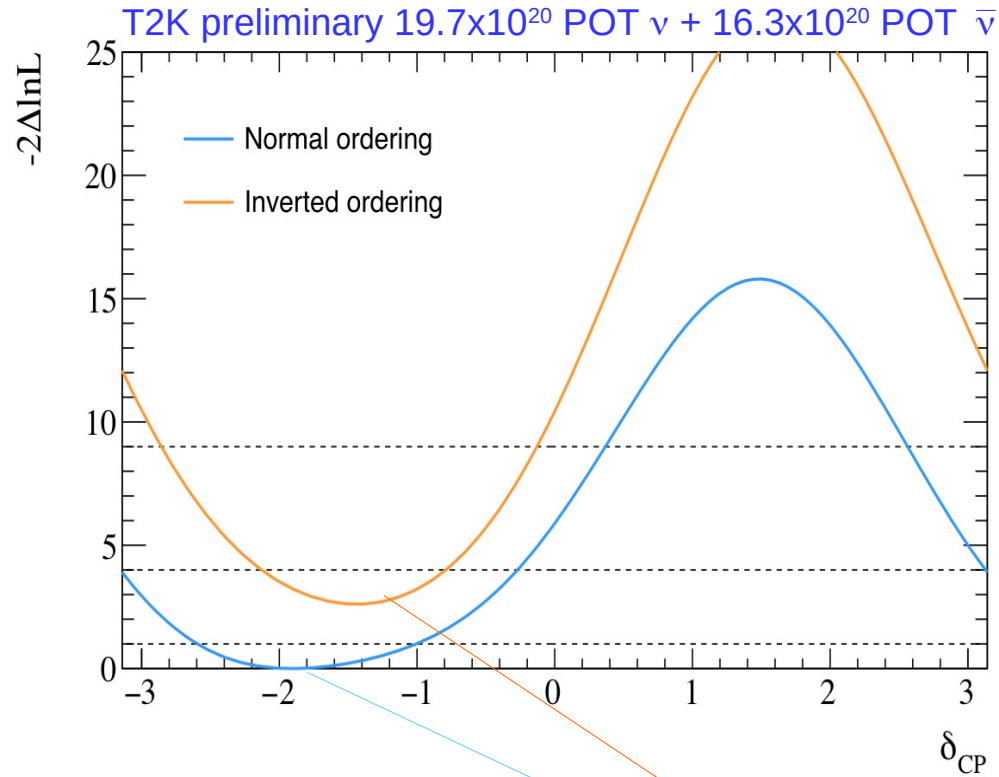


NOvA FD  $13.6 \times 10^{20}$  POT equiv  $\nu$  +  $12.5 \times 10^{20}$  POT  $\bar{\nu}$



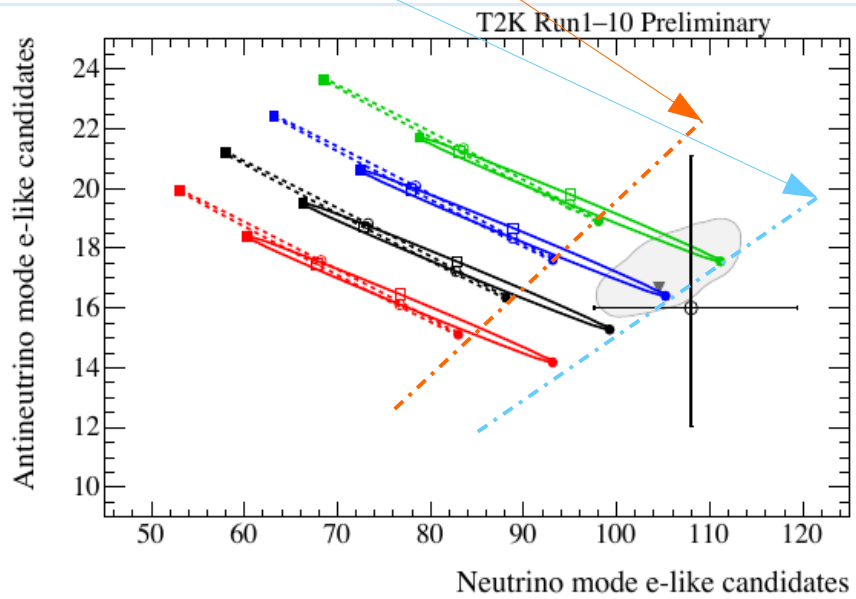
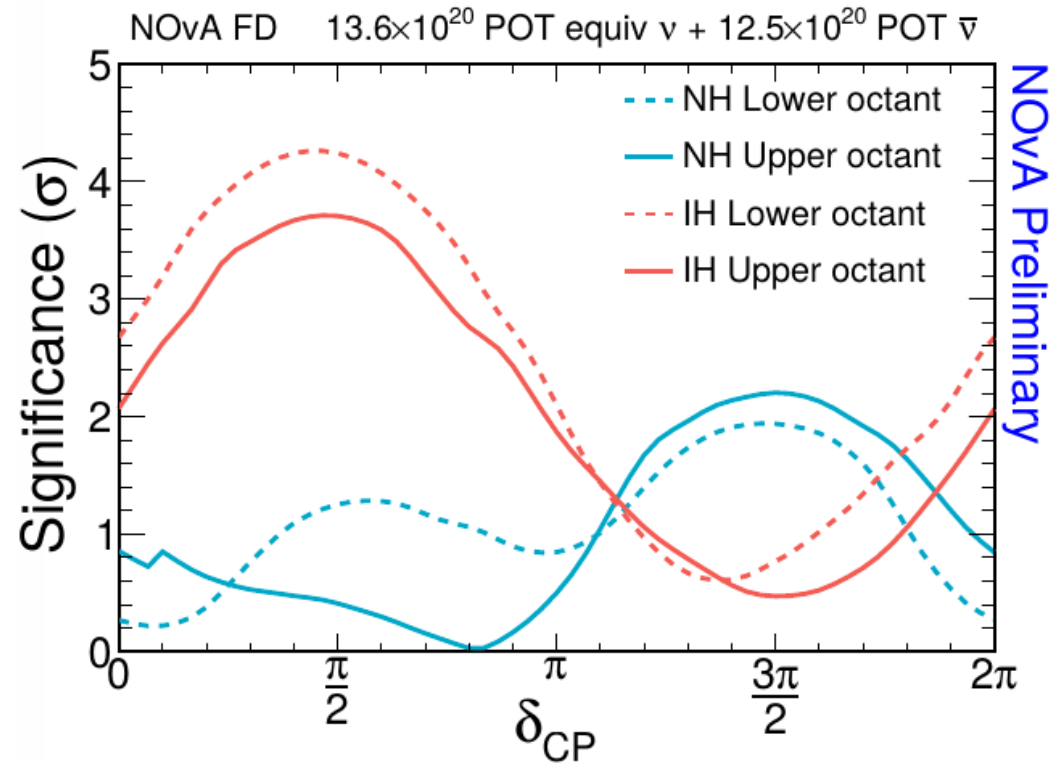
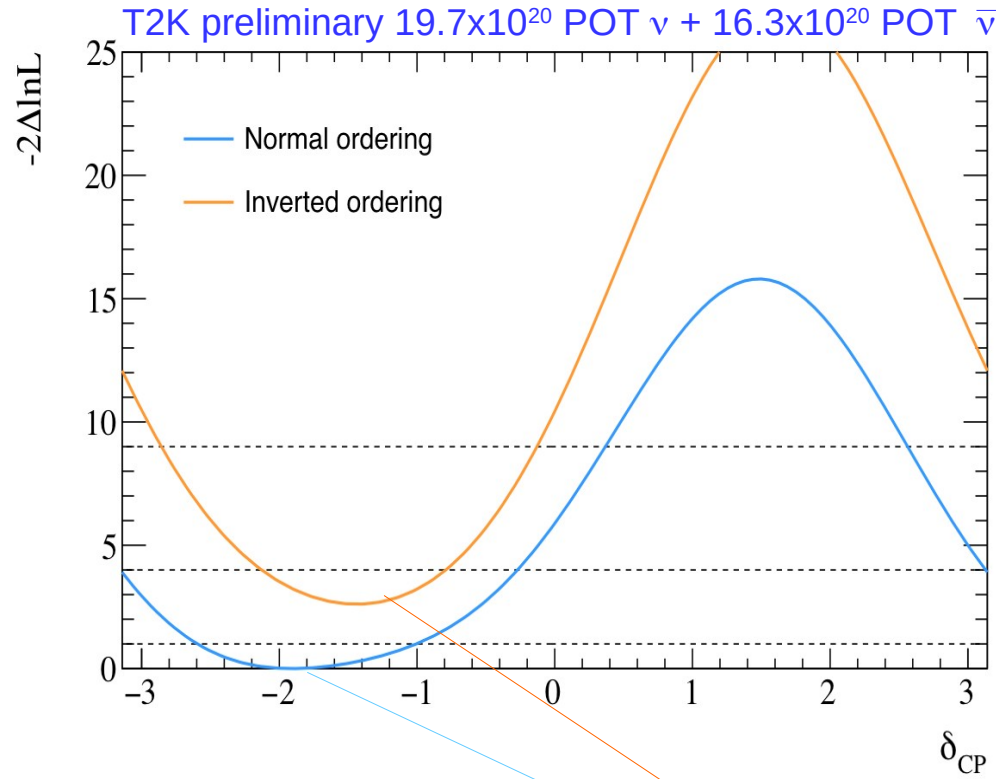
- Large **region disfavoured at  $3\sigma$**  (T2K Nature cover in 2020). And for T2K even some region at  $5\sigma$  but precision of statistical treatment will be discussed later.
- Similar region disfavoured at T2K for NH and IH, while  $3\sigma$  exclusion in NOvA only for IO

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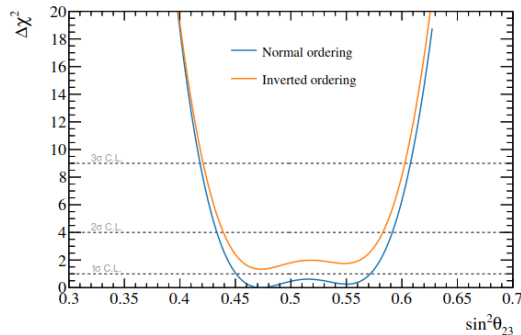
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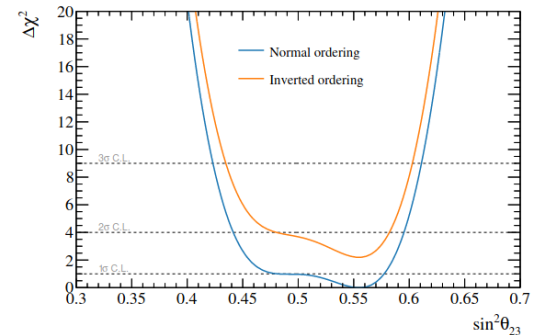


—  $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.45, 0.50, 0.55, 0.60$   
 —  $\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.49 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$   
 - -  $\Delta m_{31}^2 = -2.46 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

○  $\delta_{CP} = \pi$   
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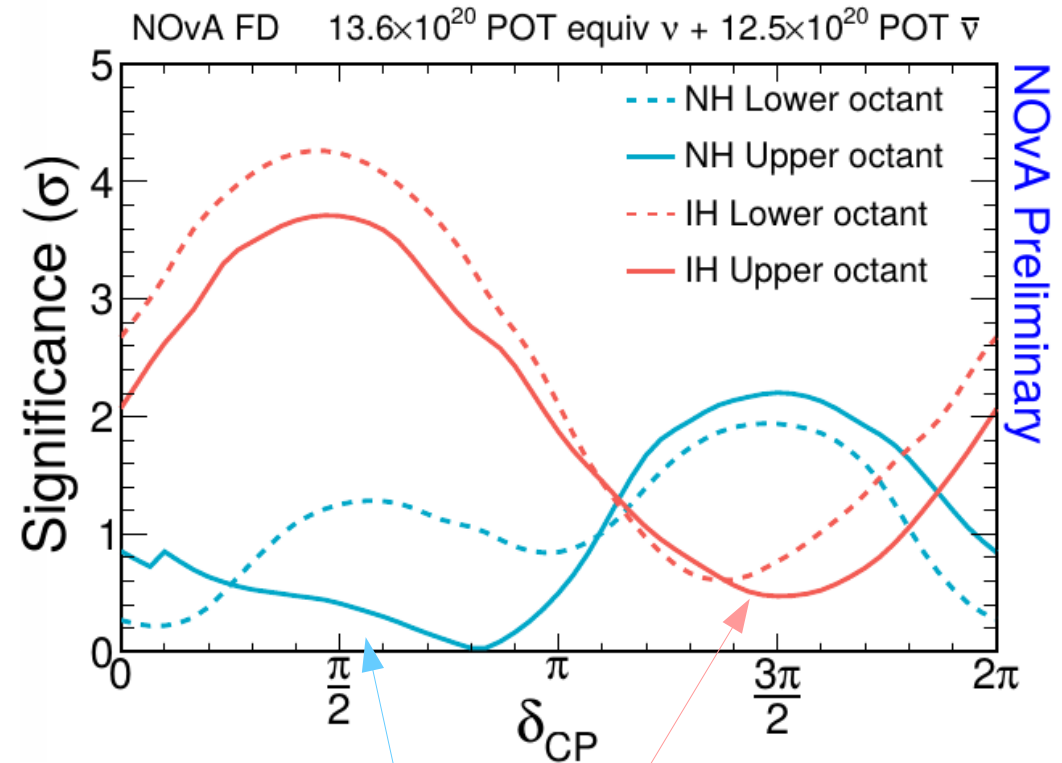
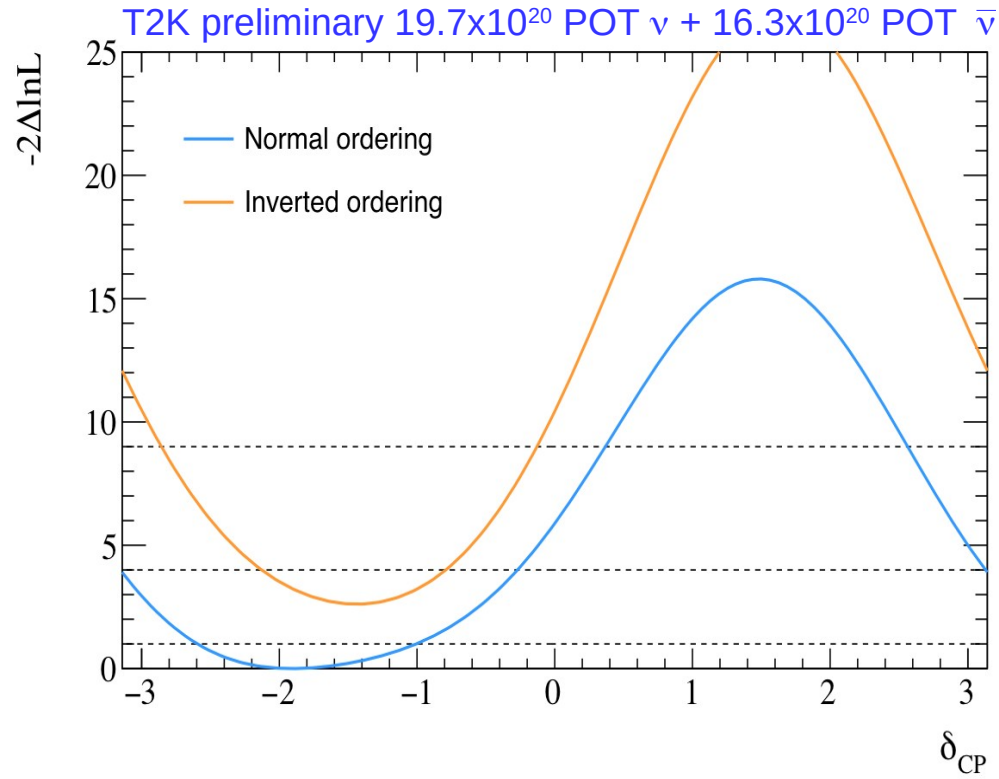


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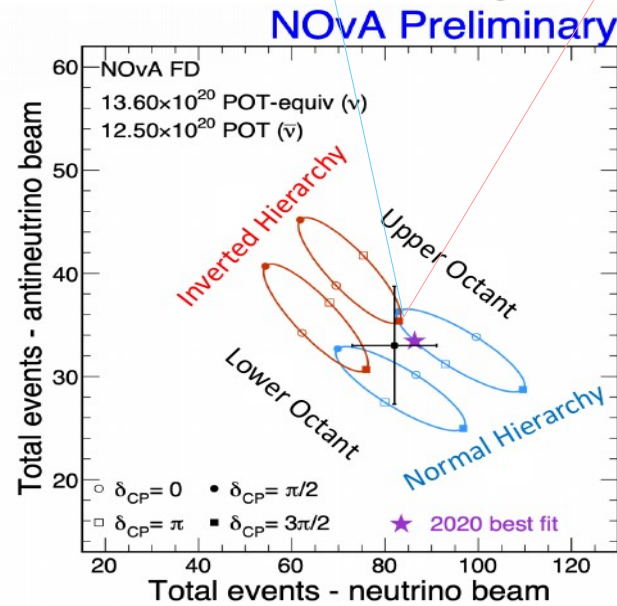
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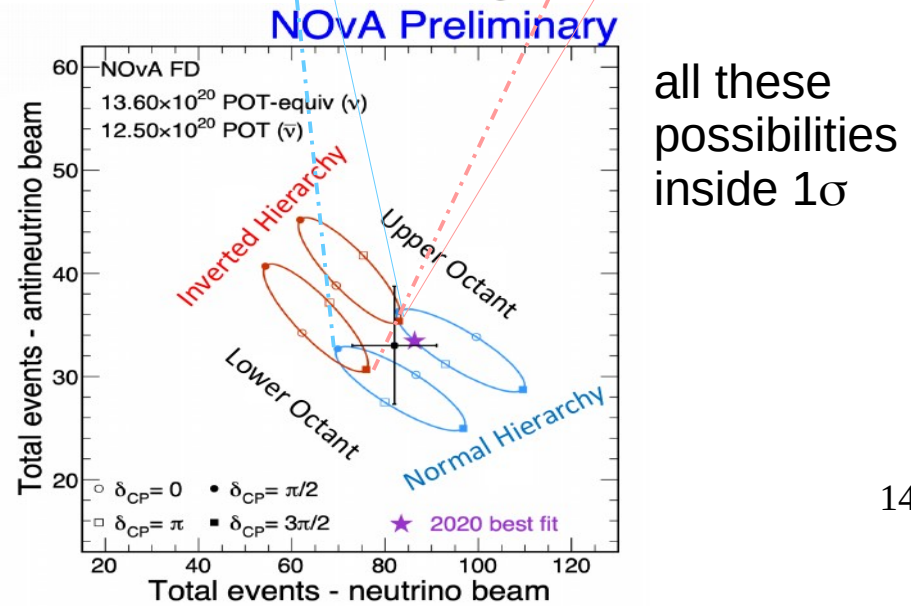
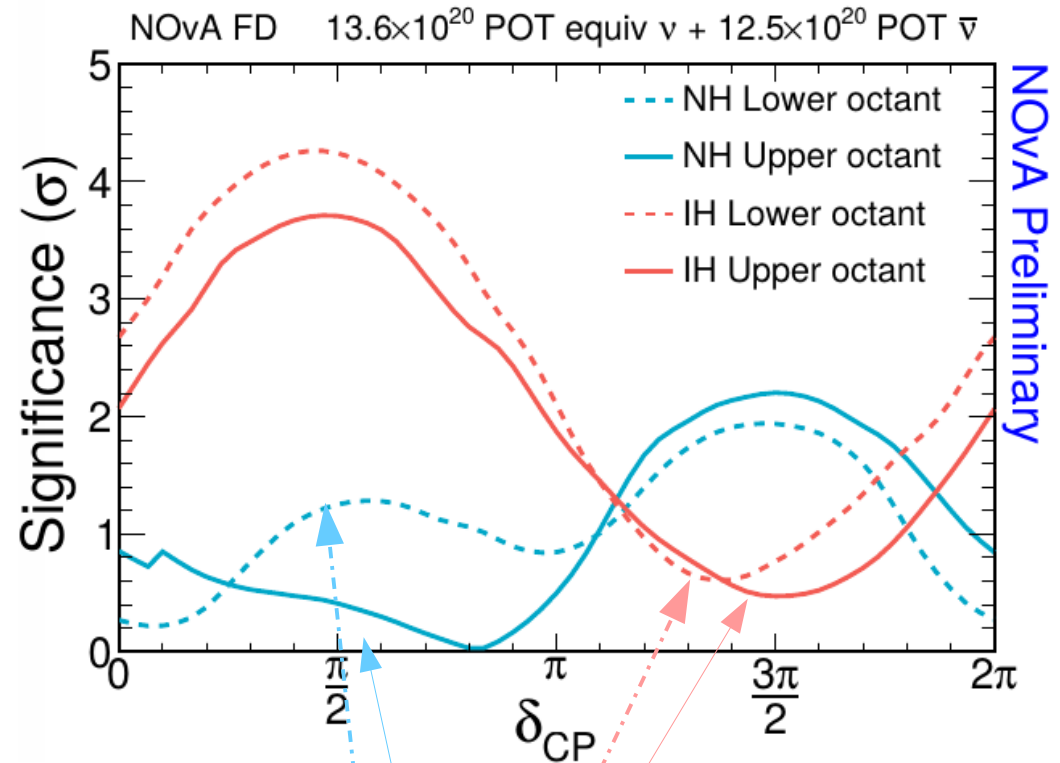
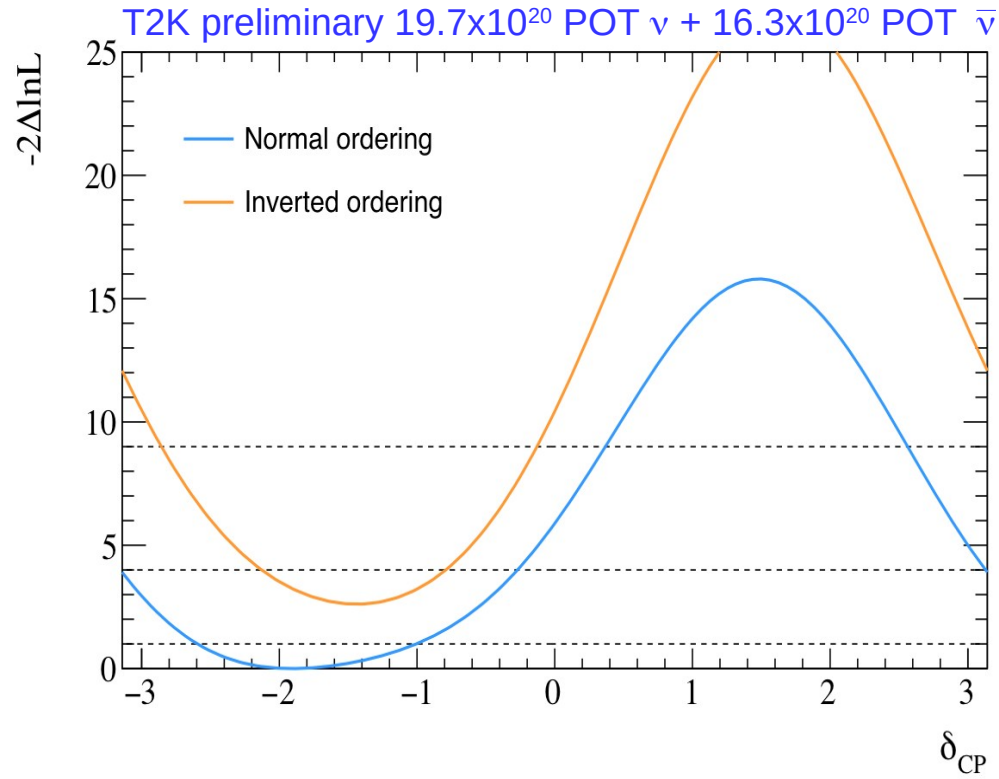
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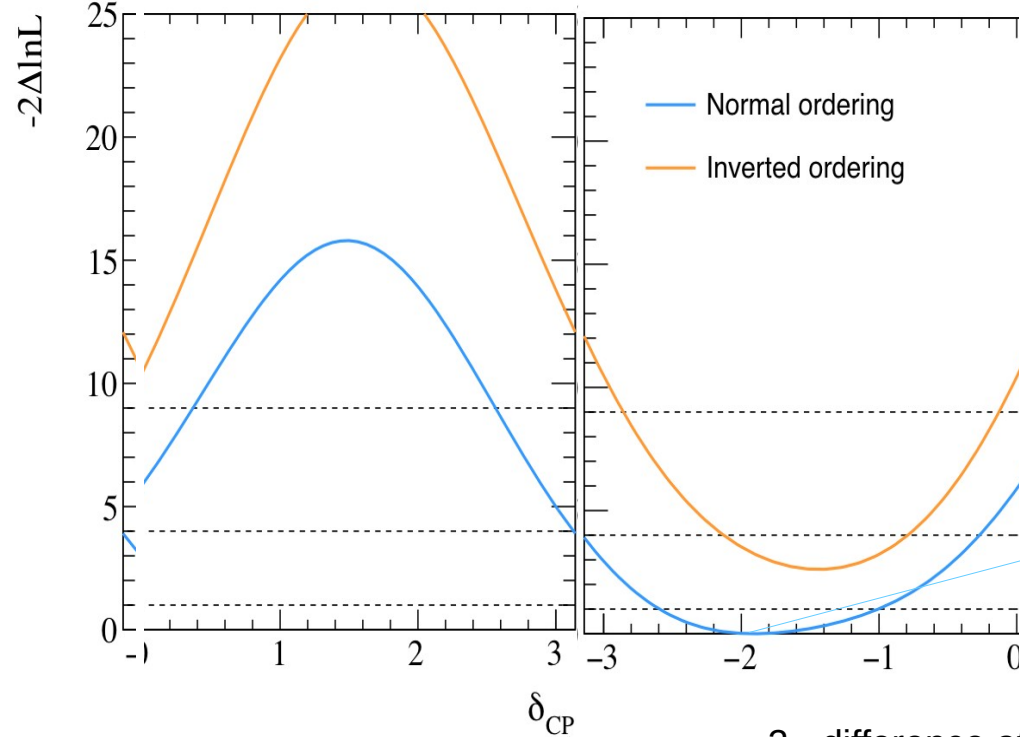


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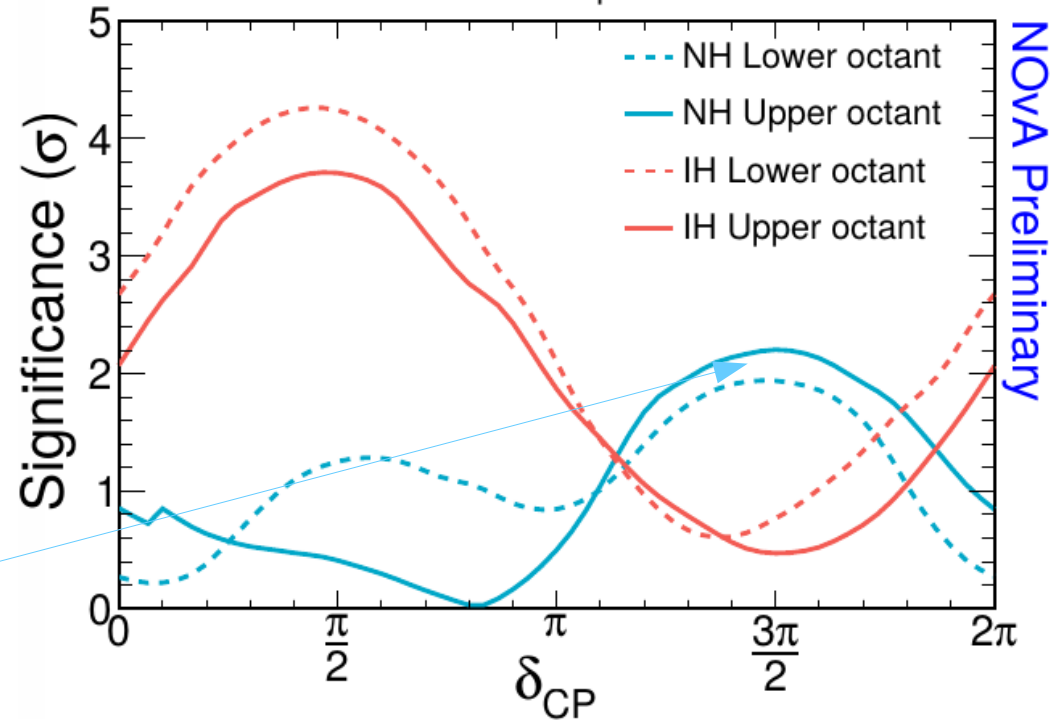


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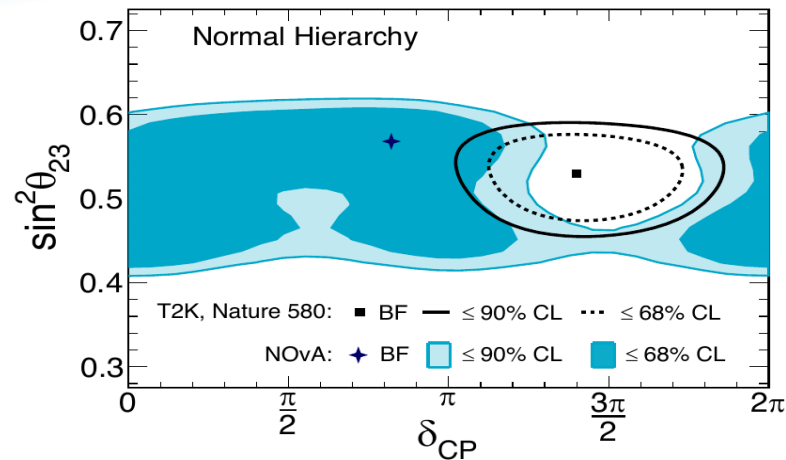
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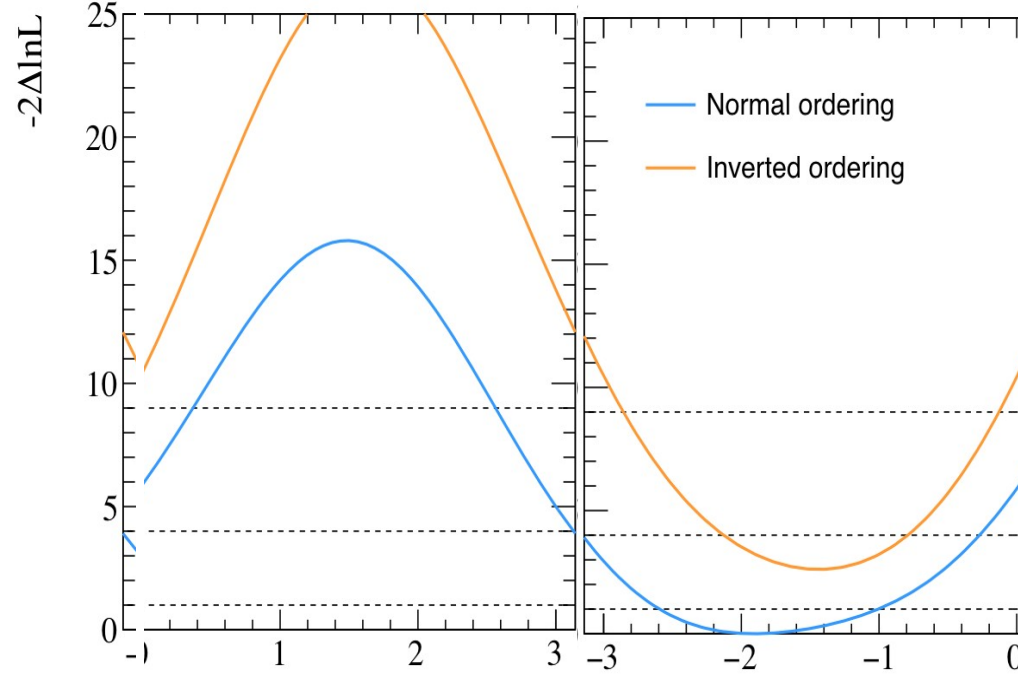
$2\sigma$  difference at T2K minimum (max CPV, NH) but still common regions at  $1\sigma$

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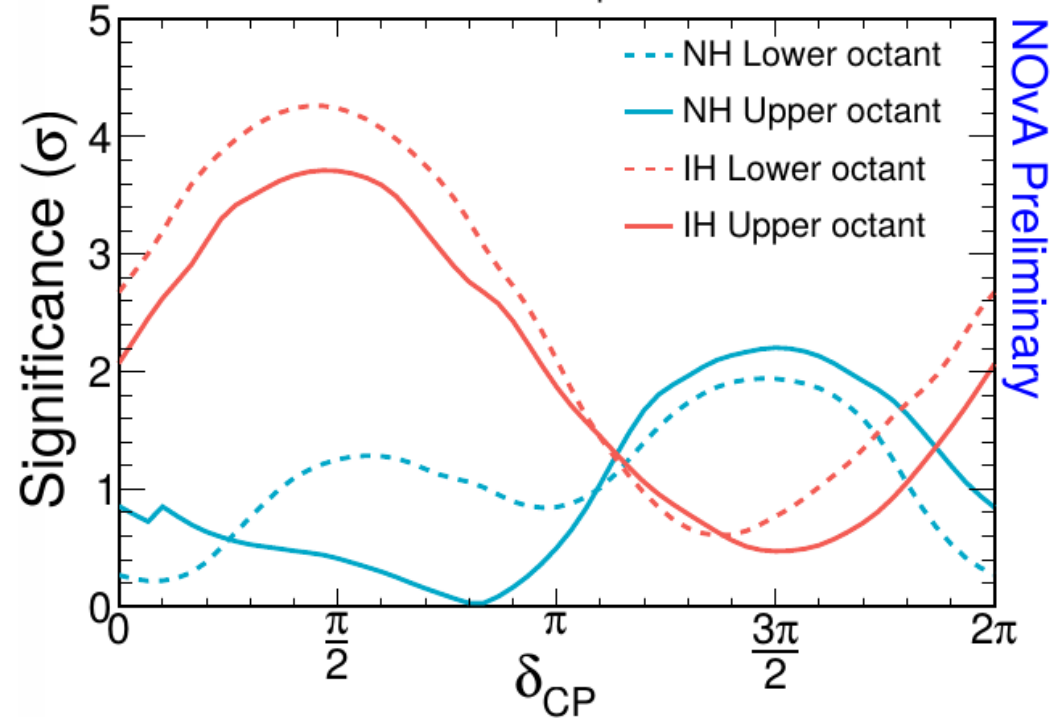


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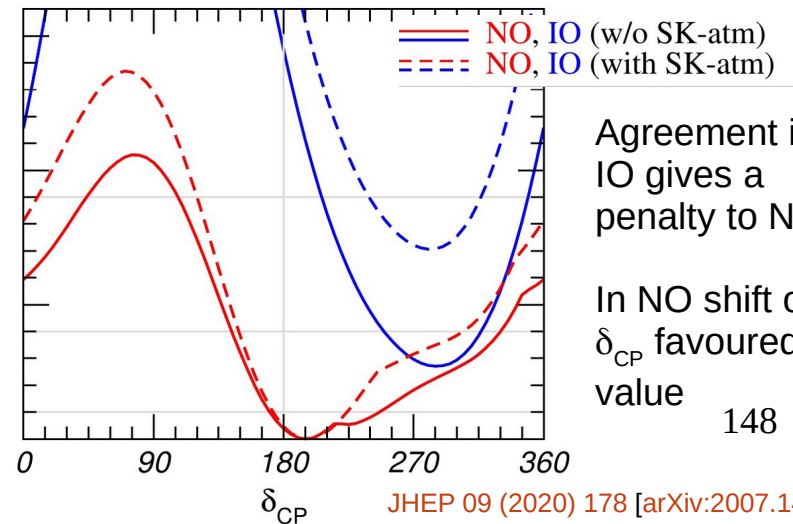
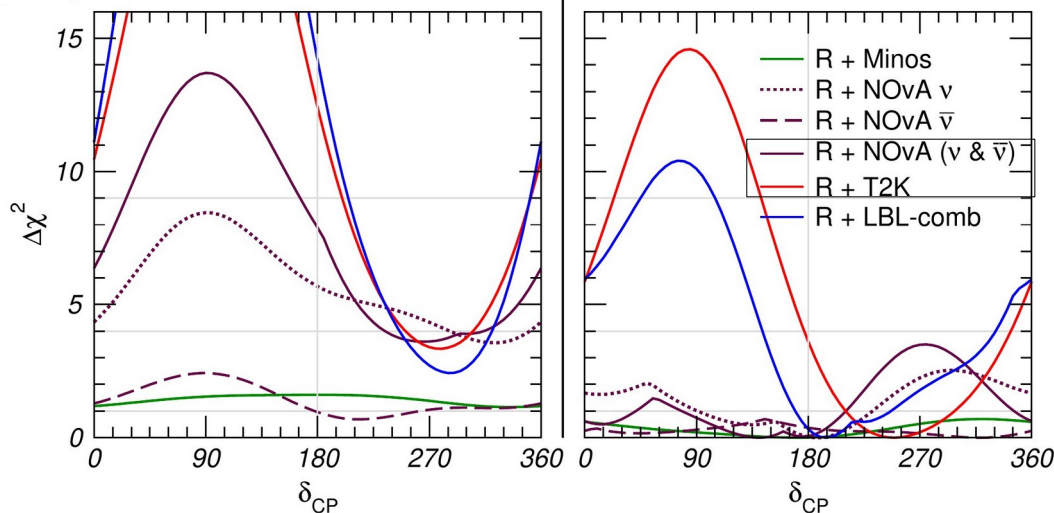


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NuFIT 5.0 (2020)

IO | NO

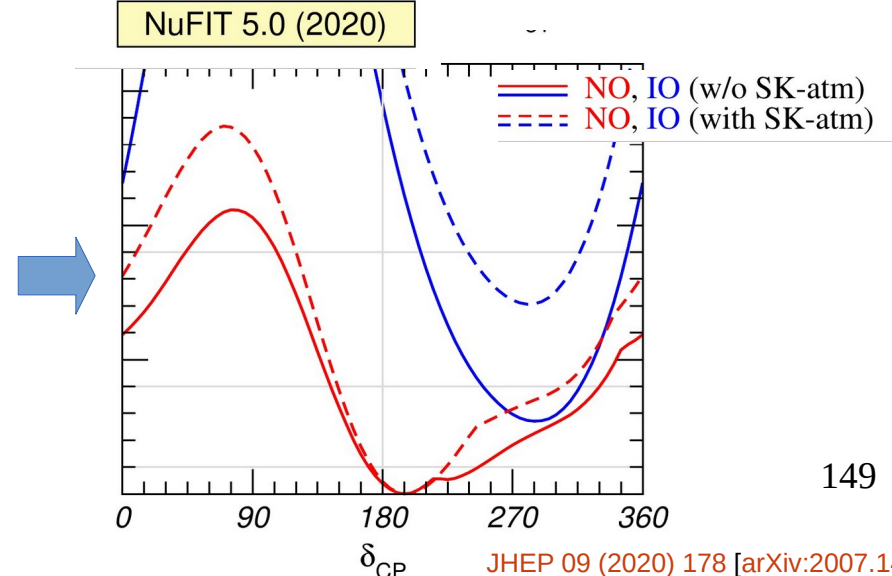
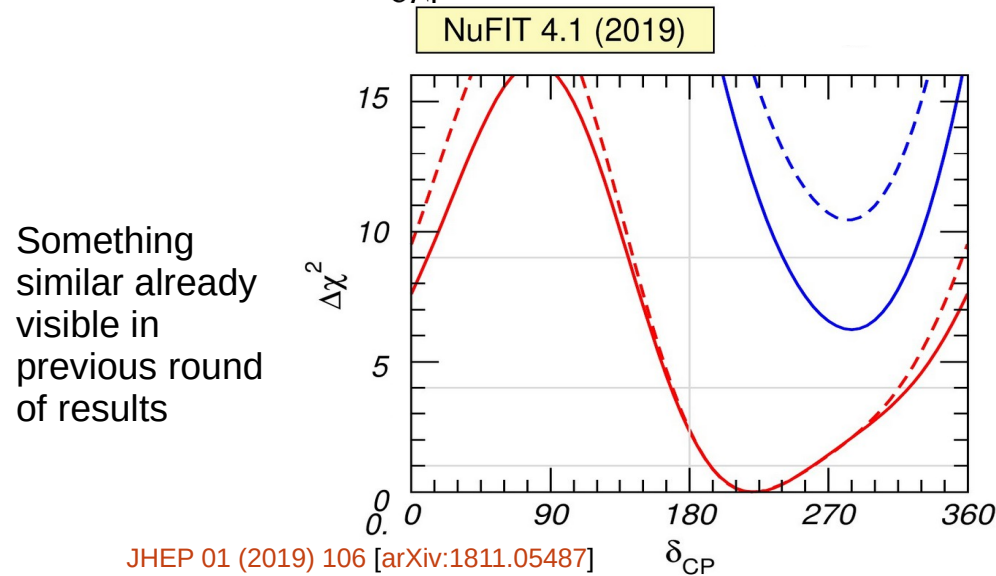
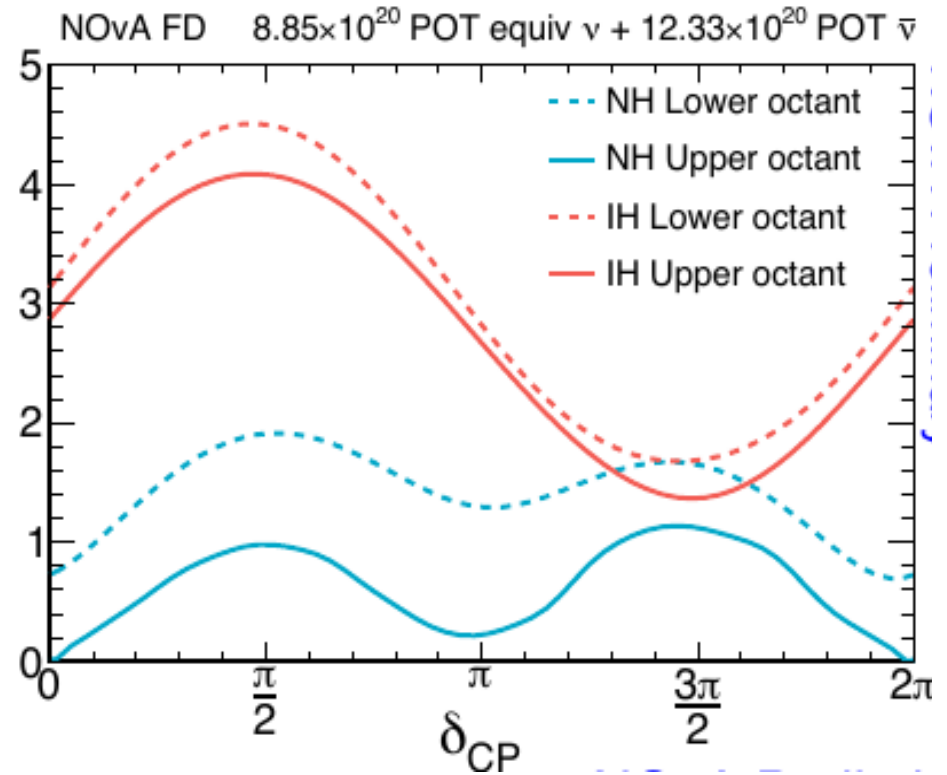
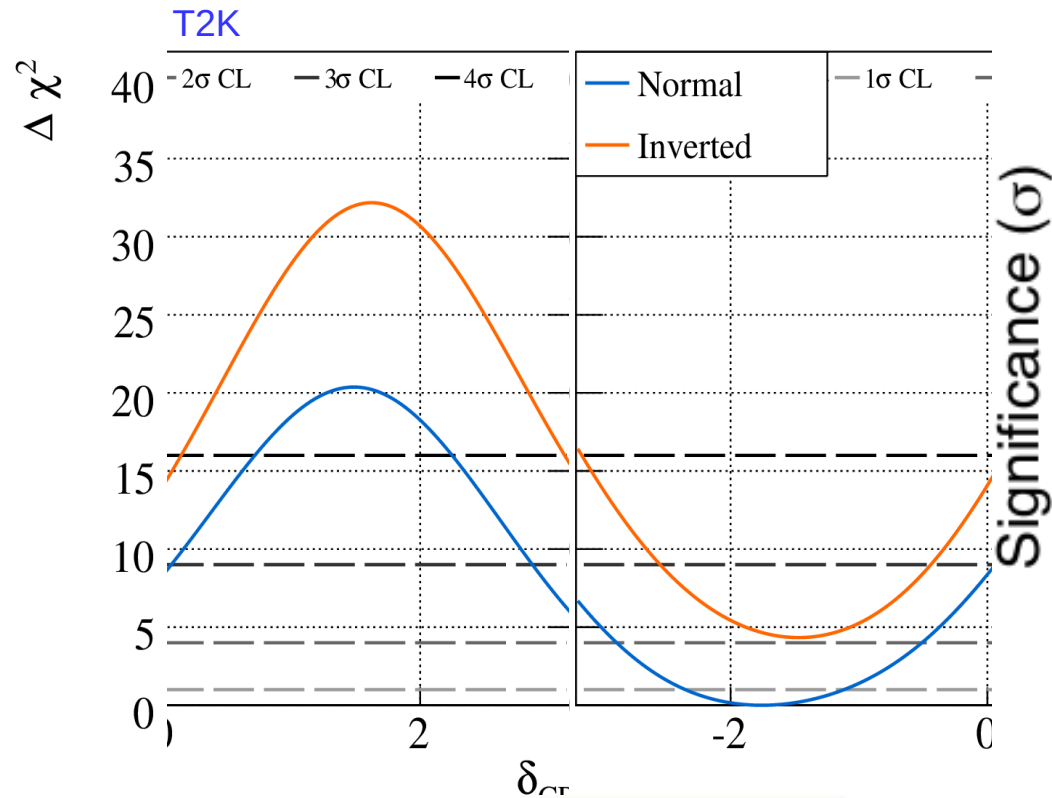


Agreement in IO gives a penalty to NO

In NO shift on  $\delta_{CP}$  favoured value

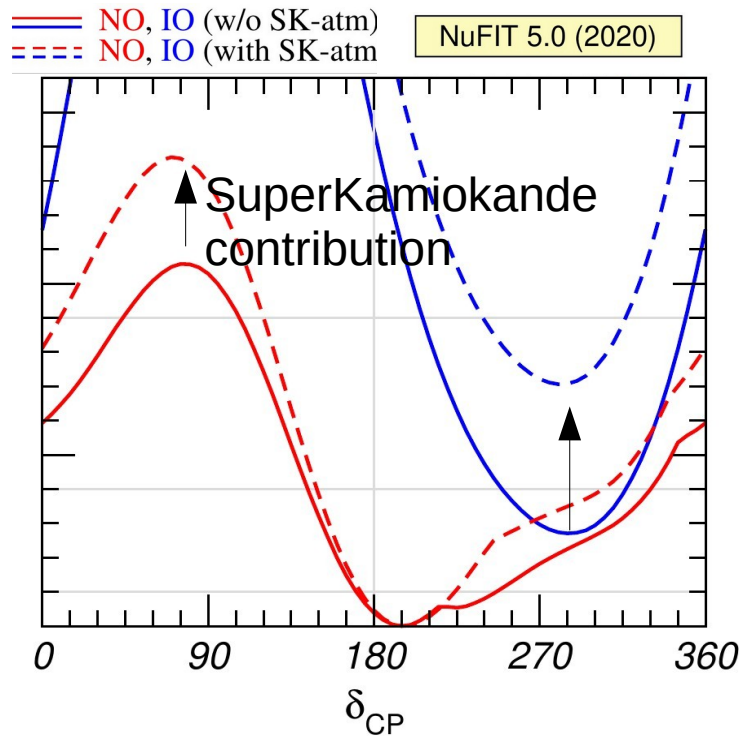
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# Results 2019 → 2020

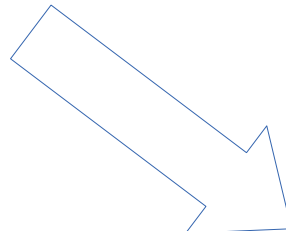
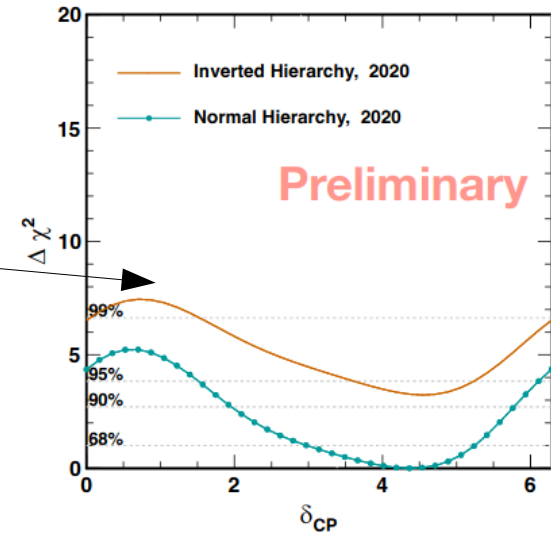


Something similar already visible in previous round of results

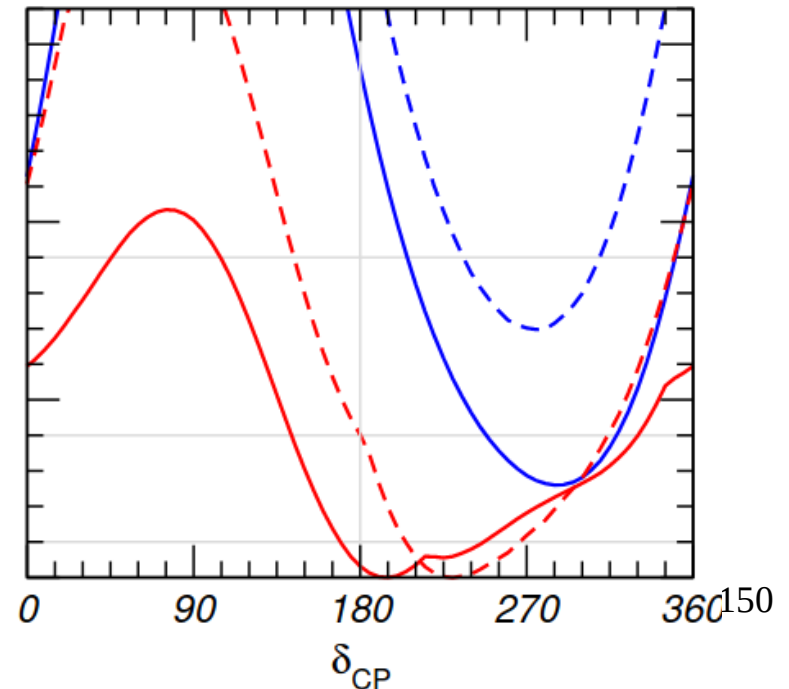
# Mass Hierarchy



NuFit 5.0 updated with SK I-IV analysis presented at Neutrino 2020



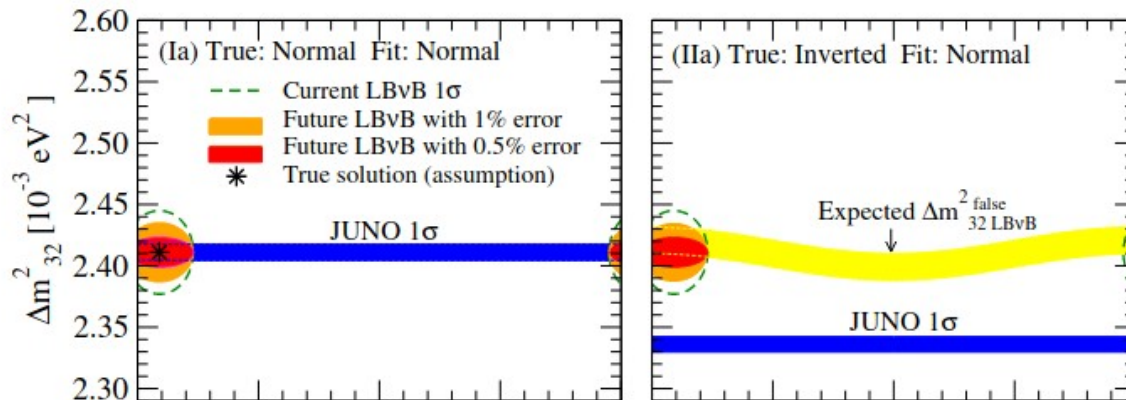
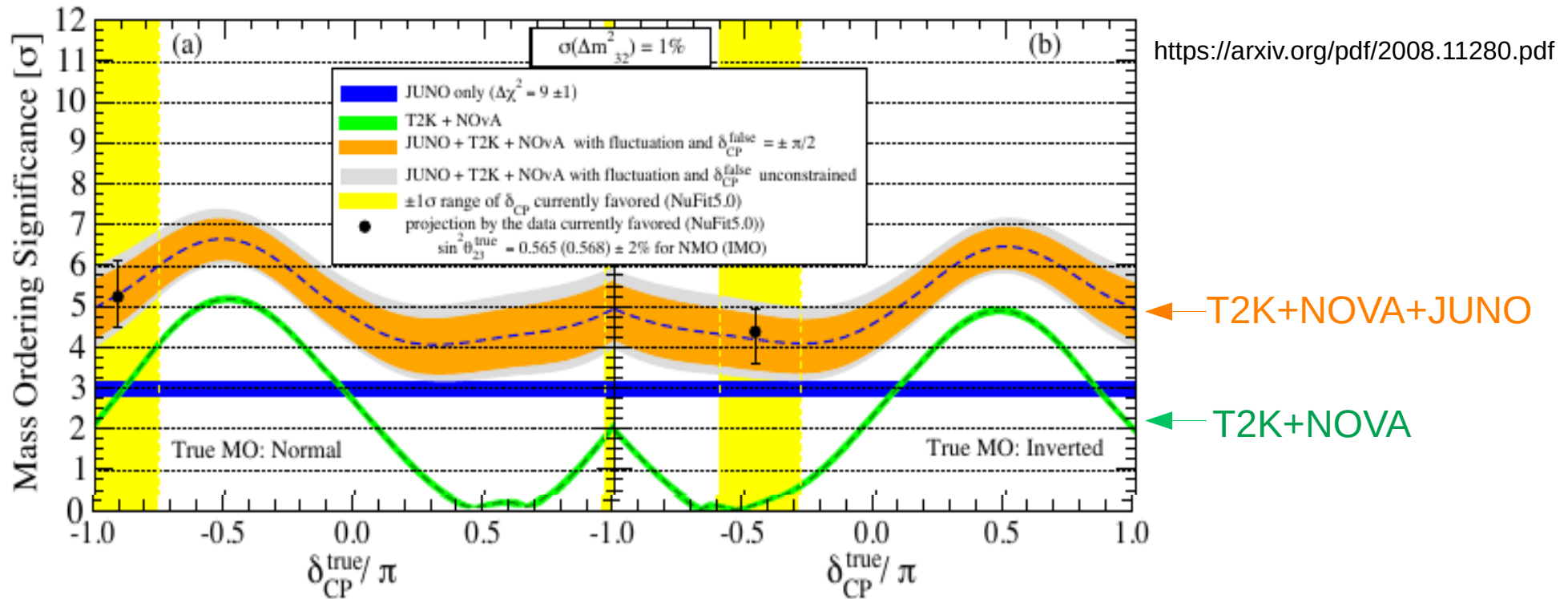
NuFIT 5.1 (2021)  
 — NO, IO (w/o SK-atm)  
 - - - NO, IO (with SK-atm)



- Before 2020 NO favoured ( $\Delta\chi^2=10.4 >3\sigma$ )
- Lost some NO significance due to T2K-NOVA mild tension in 2020 ( $\Delta\chi^2=7.1$ )
- **MO sensitivity dominated by SK**
  - shift best  $\delta_{CP}$  in combination with T2K+NOVA
  - CP conservation disfavoured at  $\sim 2\sigma$

# Combinations for MH: prospects

Very bright prospects for the future (and still not including SuperKamiokande!):

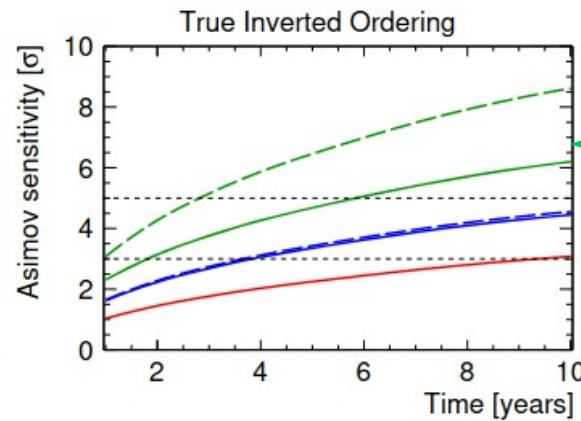
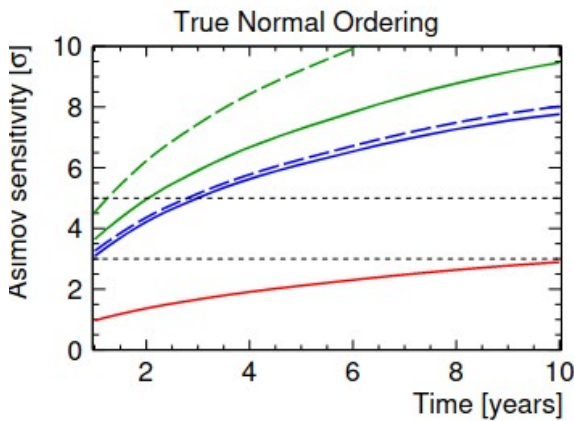
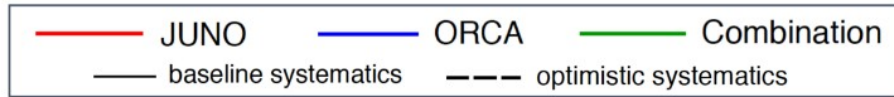


Boost of sensitivity from  $|\Delta m_{31(32)}^2|$  discrepancy (for wrong mass hierarchy) between  $\nu_e$  (JUNO) and  $\nu_\mu$  (LBL) disappearance  $\rightarrow \sim 2\%$

Importance of precise  $|\Delta m_{31(32)}^2|$  measurement in LBL experiments!  
 $\rightarrow$  challenging target  $< 1\%$

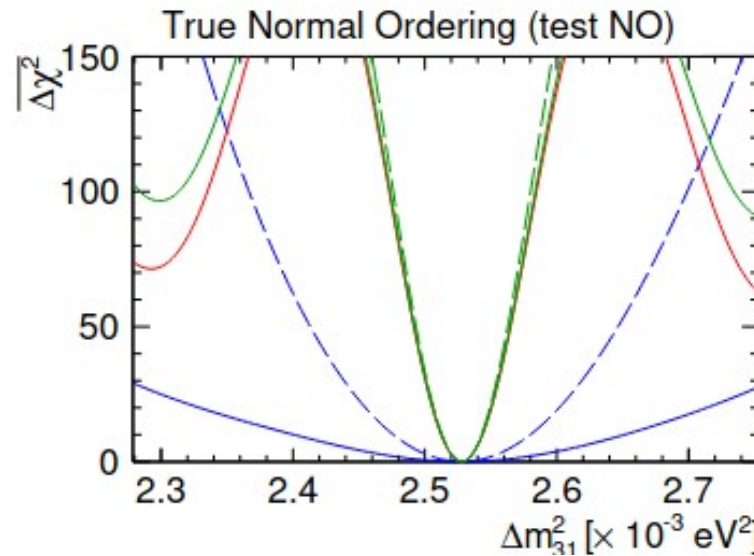
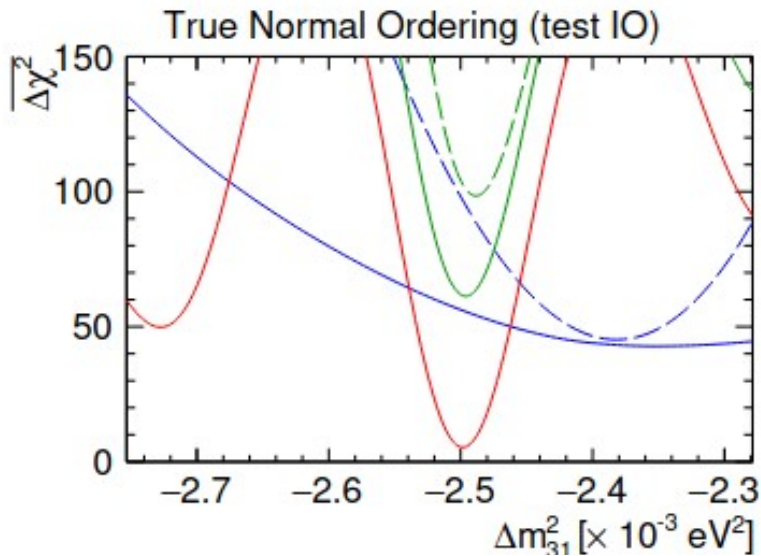
# Combinations for MH: prospects

Further combination including ORCA (missing NOVA, T2K and SuperKamiokande):



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2107.00344.pdf>

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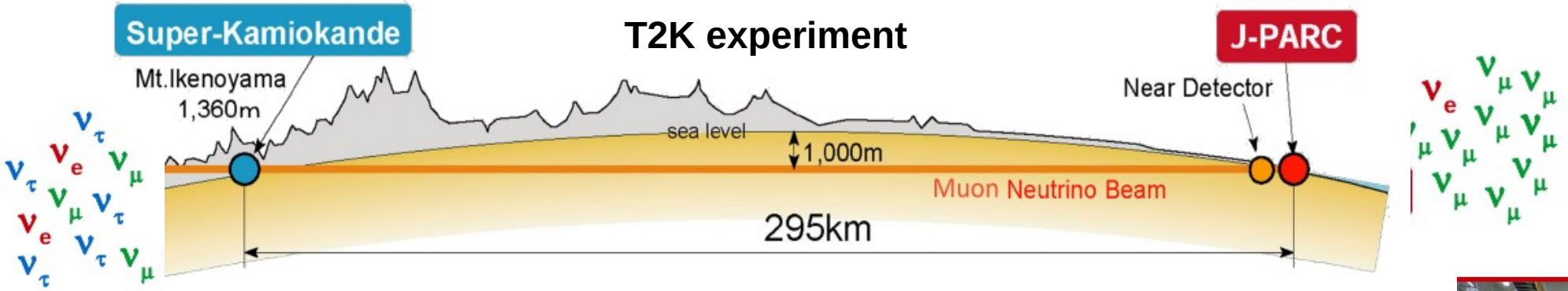




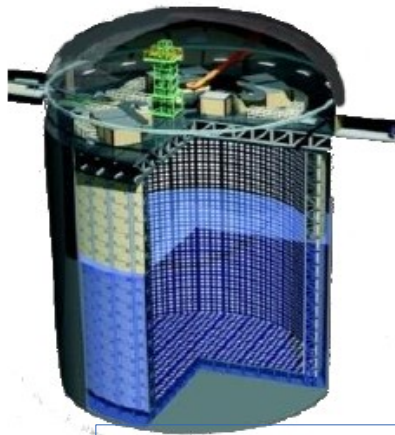
# Anatomy of T2K and NOVA oscillation analysis

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# T2K

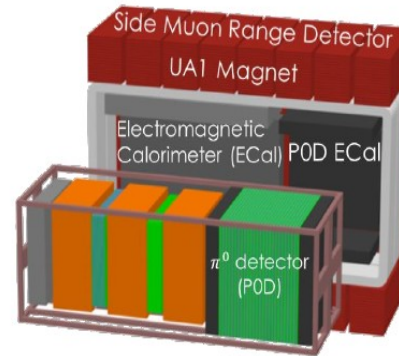


## Super-Kamiokande

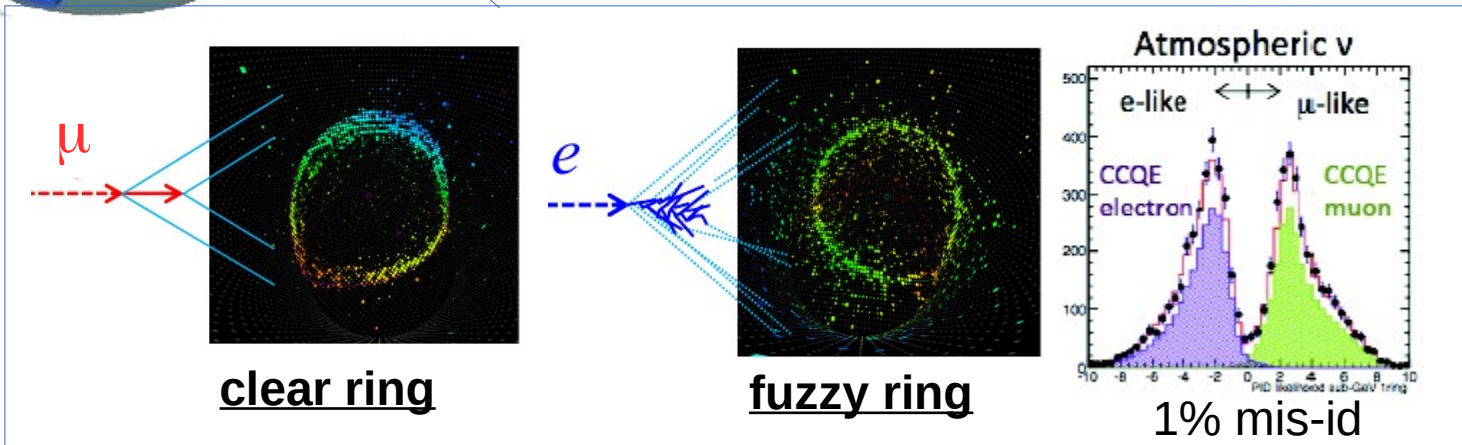


huge **water cherenkov** detector (50 kTon) with optimal  $\mu/e$  identification to distinguish  $\nu_e, \nu_\mu$

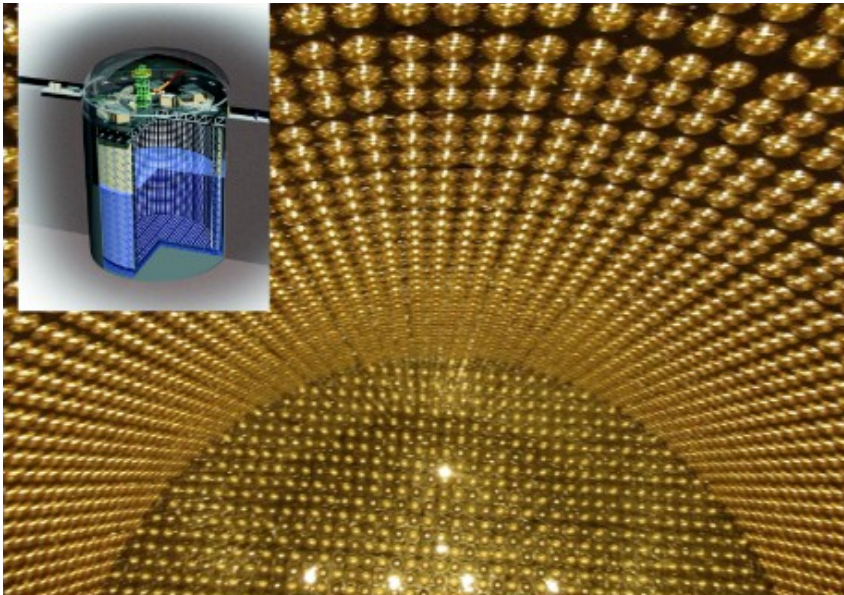
## ND280 near detector



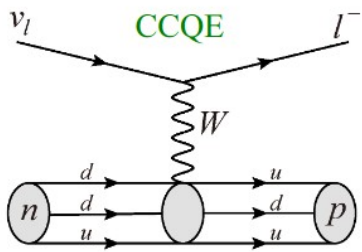
**J-PARC facility: neutrino beam**



# SuperKamiokande samples



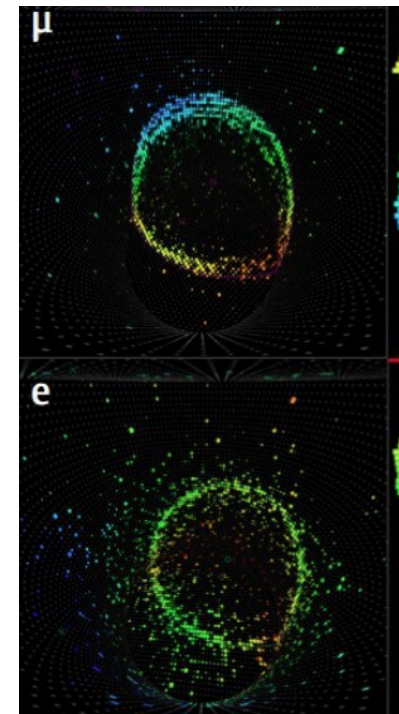
- Reconstruct **Cherenkov ring** from charged particles (above Cherenkov threshold)
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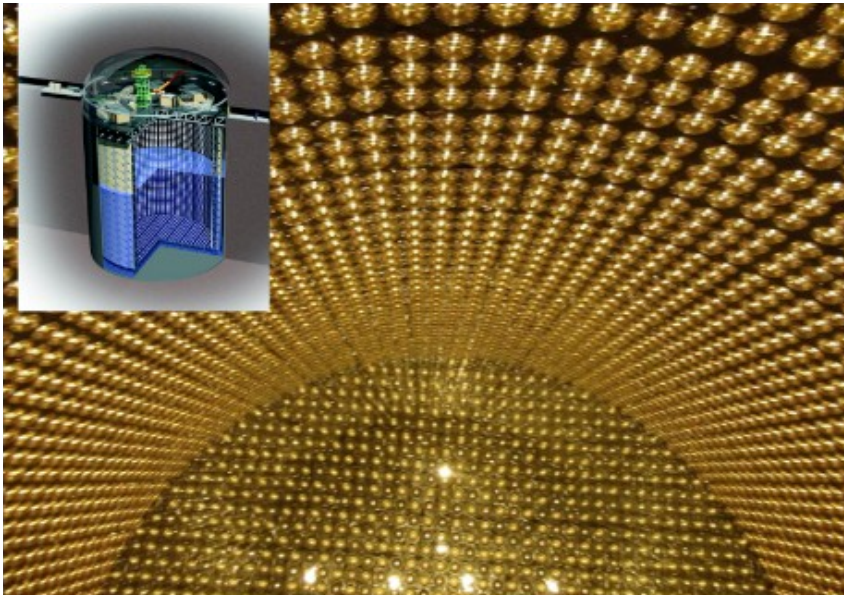
- Main channel at T2K energy:  
**single ring events (e or  $\mu$ )**  
**= Quasi-Elastic channel: can reconstruct neutrino energy from lepton kinematics only**  
 [with nuclear physics uncertainty: see Martini lecture]

$$E_{\text{rec}}^{\text{CCQE}} = \frac{2(m_n - E_b) E_l + (2m_n - E_b) E_b + m_p^2 - m_n^2 - m_l^2}{2(m_n - E_b - E_l + |\mathbf{p}_l| \cos \theta_l)}$$

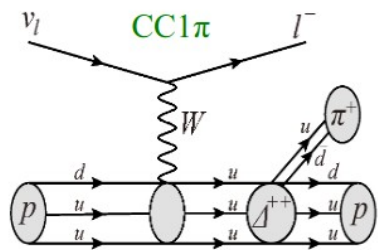
where  $m_n, m_p$  and  $m_\mu$  are the masses of neutron, proton, and the charged lepton,  $E_b = 27$  MeV is the nominal nucleon binding energy of oxygen,  $E_l$  and  $\mathbf{p}_l$  are the reconstructed energy and three-momentum of the lepton, and  $\theta_l$  is the reconstructed angle of the lepton with respect to the neutrino beam. The



# SuperKamiokande samples

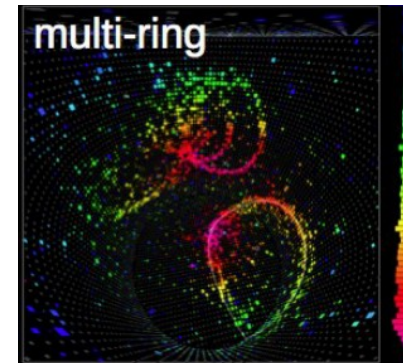


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- **Additional channels with pion production (FHC), subleading and mostly at higher energy:**

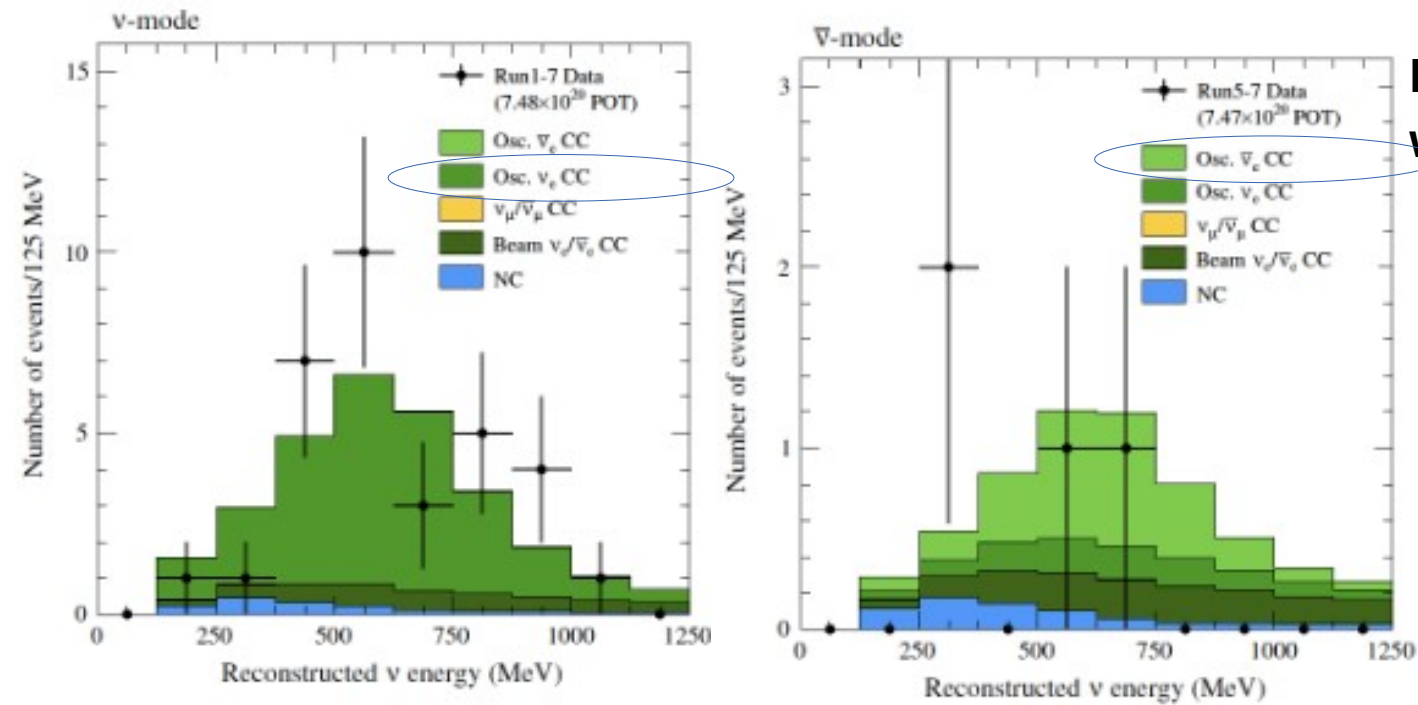
- 1 ring electron (from  $\nu_e$ ) with 1 Michel electron  
→ add statistics for  $\nu_e$  sample
- 1 ring muon (from  $\nu_\mu$ ) + 1,2 Michel electron(s) and/or other ring from  $\pi$   
→ add high-energy 'control sample' for  $\nu_\mu$



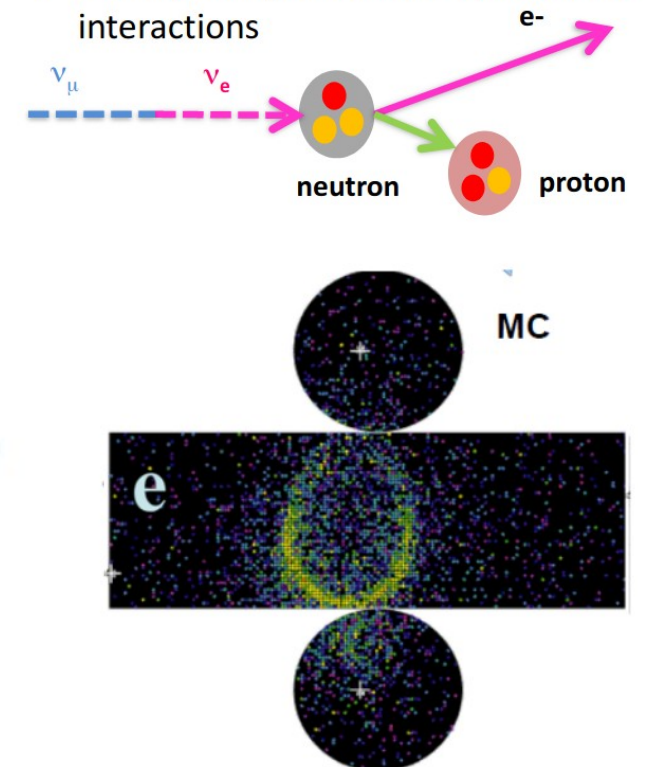
$$E_\nu^{\text{rec}} = \frac{m_{\Delta^{++}}^2 - m_p^2 - m_l^2 + 2m_p E_l}{2(m_p - E_l + p_l \cos \theta_l)}$$

Reconstruct neutrino energy from lepton kinematics only, assuming  $\Delta^{++}$  resonance (mostly true in FHC at T2K energy)

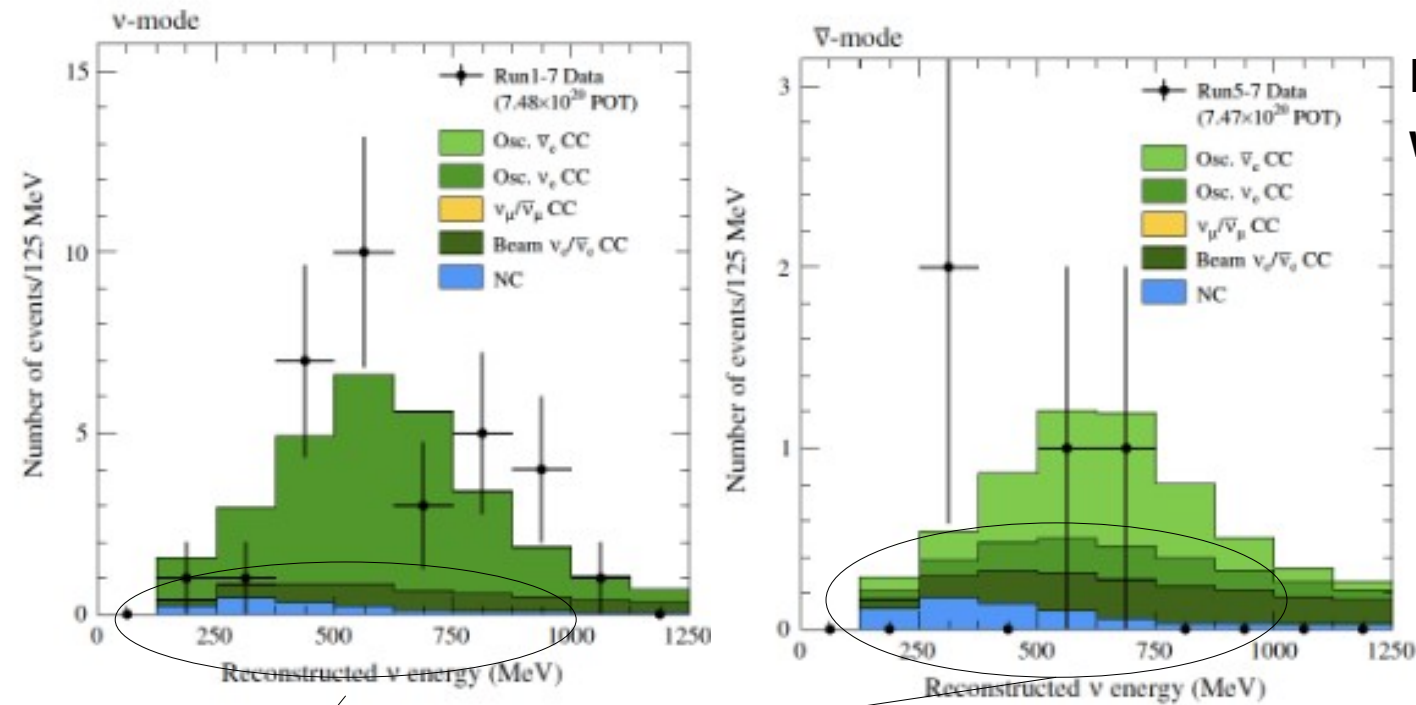
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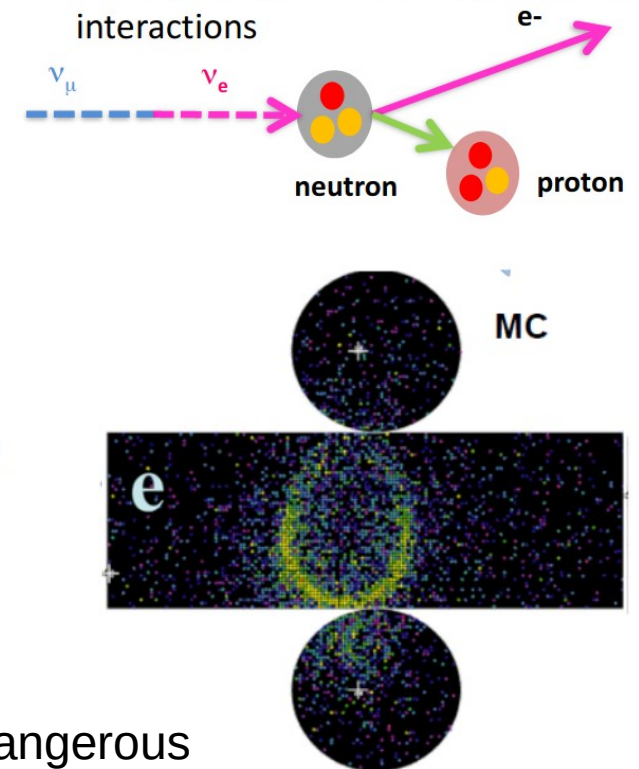
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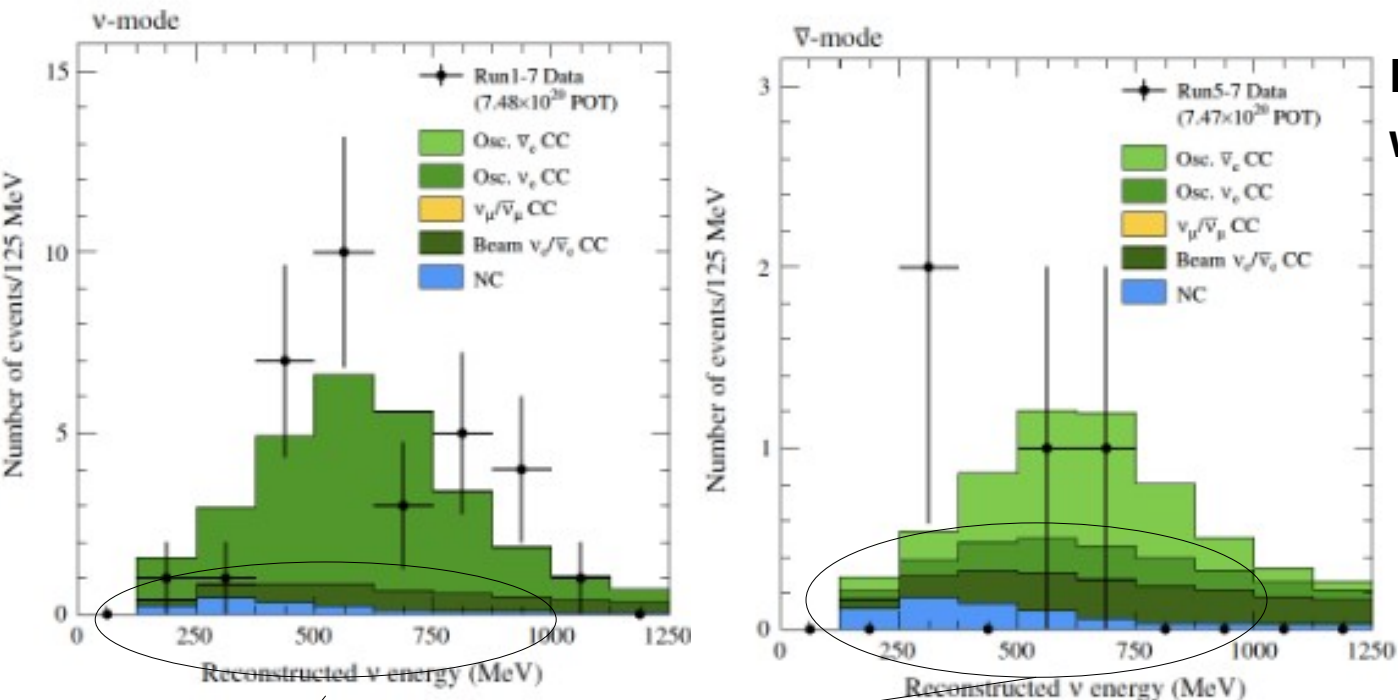
## Backgrounds

- Intrinsic  $\nu_e$  from m,K decays ( $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$ )

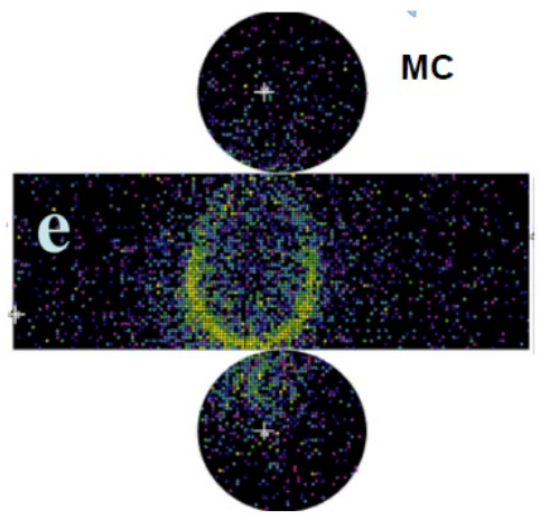
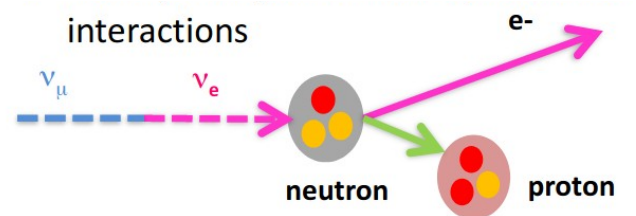
Especially  $\nu_e$  **wrong sign background** in  $\bar{\nu}_e$  RHC sample dangerous for  $\delta_{CP}$ : need to control  $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$  flux and xsec with near detector

$$\sin\delta \sim \frac{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}{P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}$$

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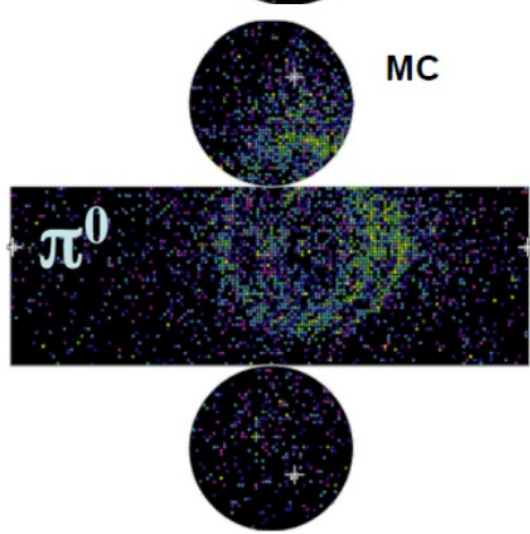
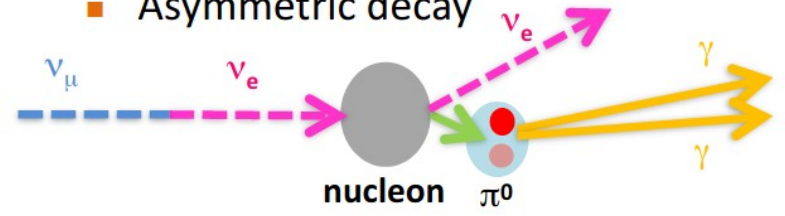


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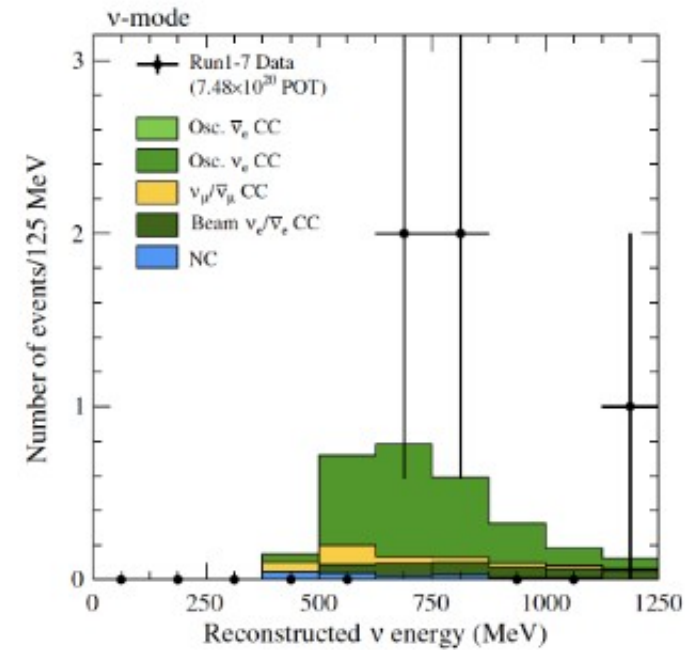
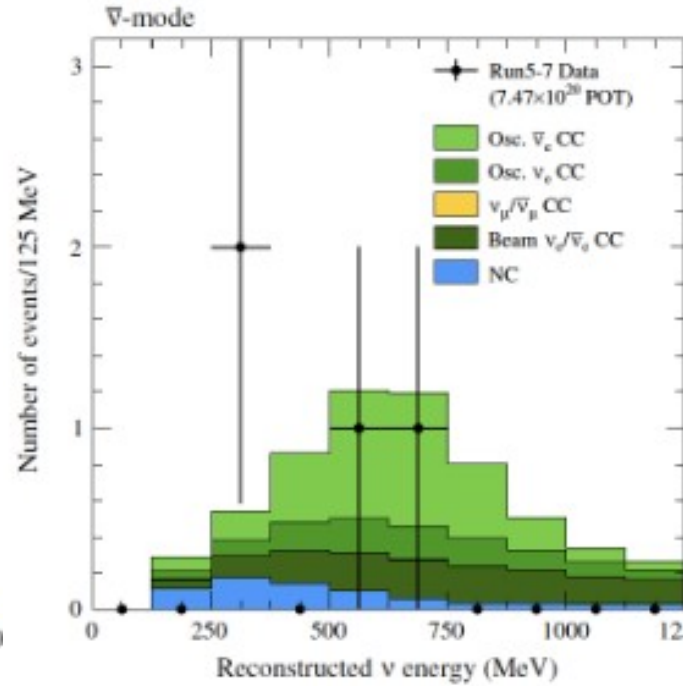
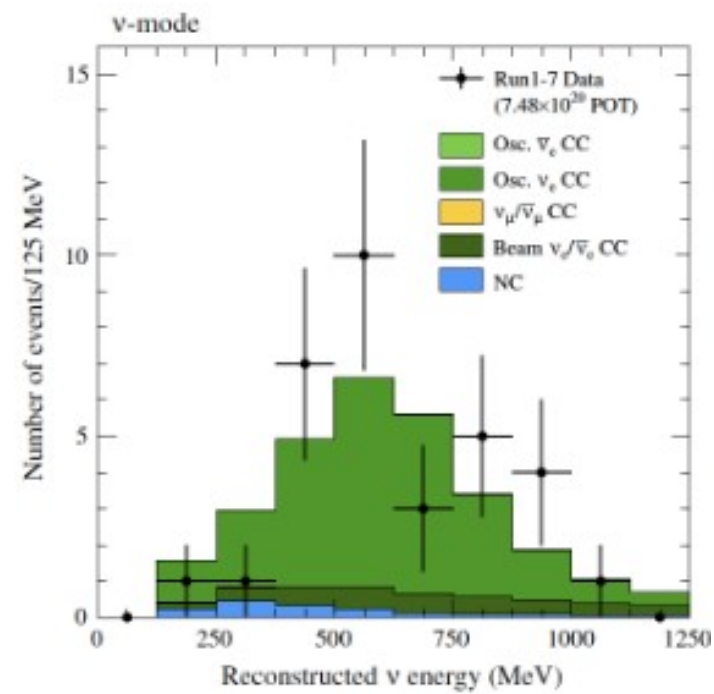


## Backgrounds

- Intrinsic  $\nu_e$  from m,K decays ( $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$ )
- NC single  $\pi^0$  production
  - Overlap of gammas
  - Asymmetric decay



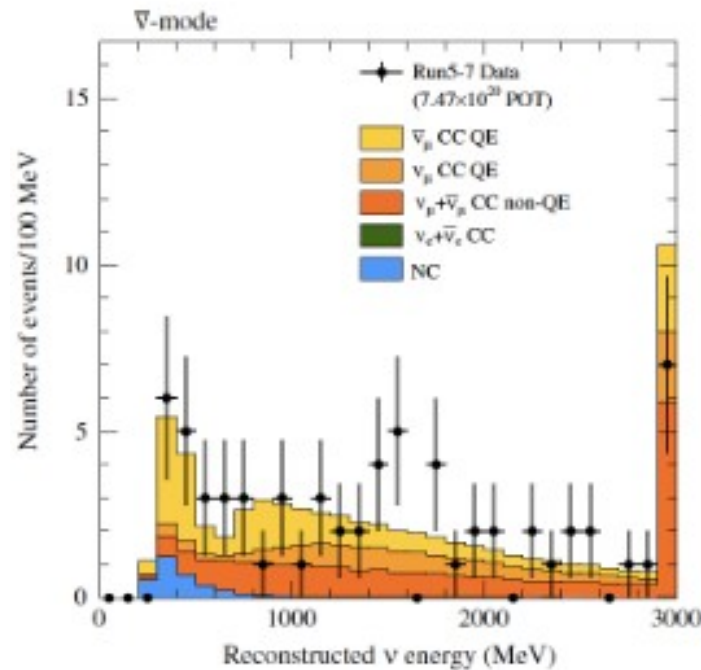
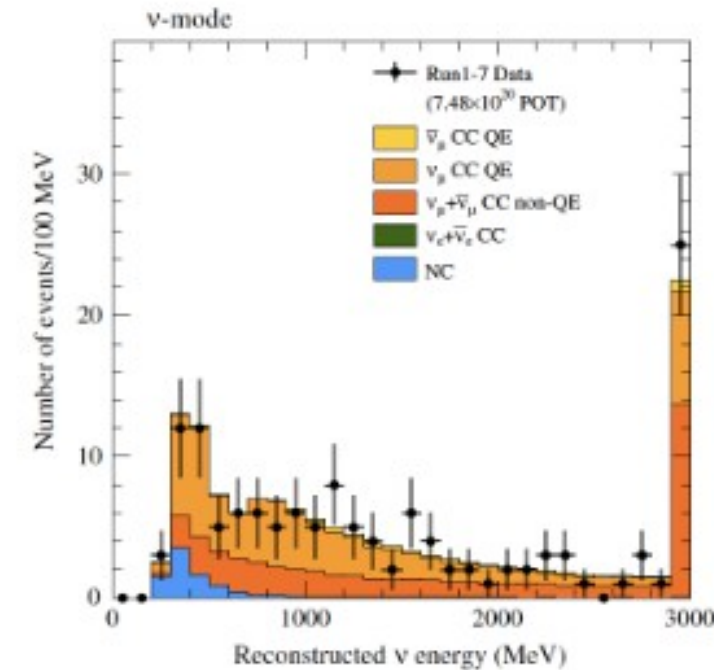
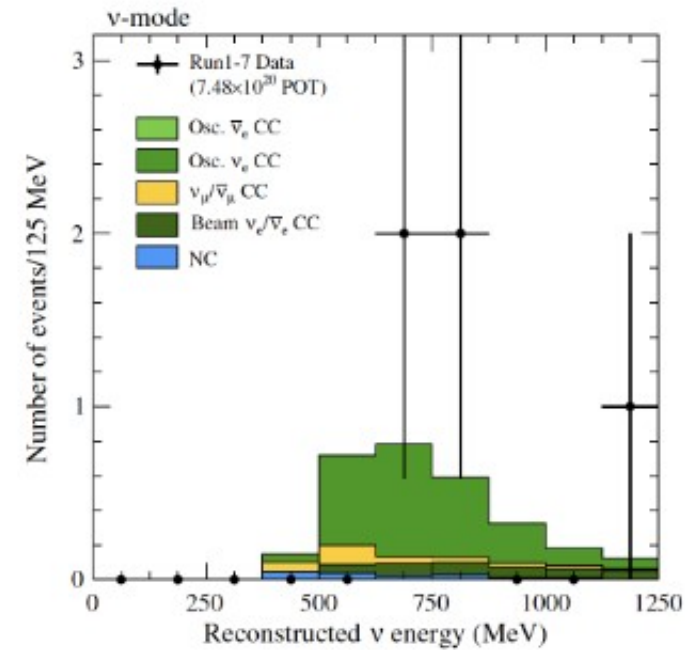
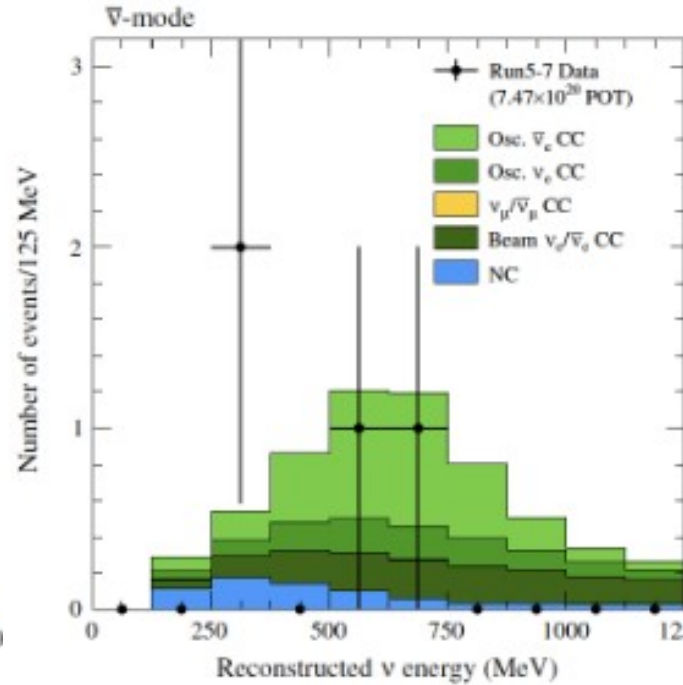
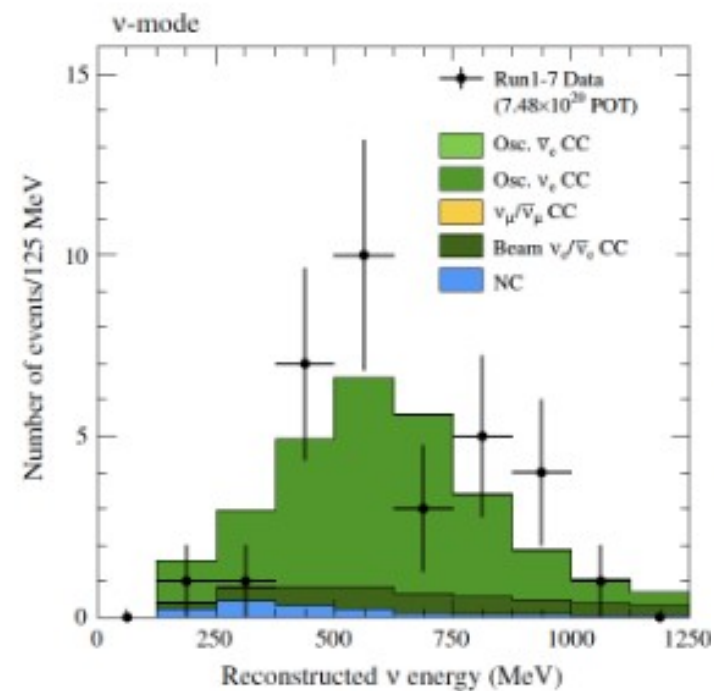
# SuperKamiokande samples



$\nu_e$  single ring + 1 Michel  
electron delayed



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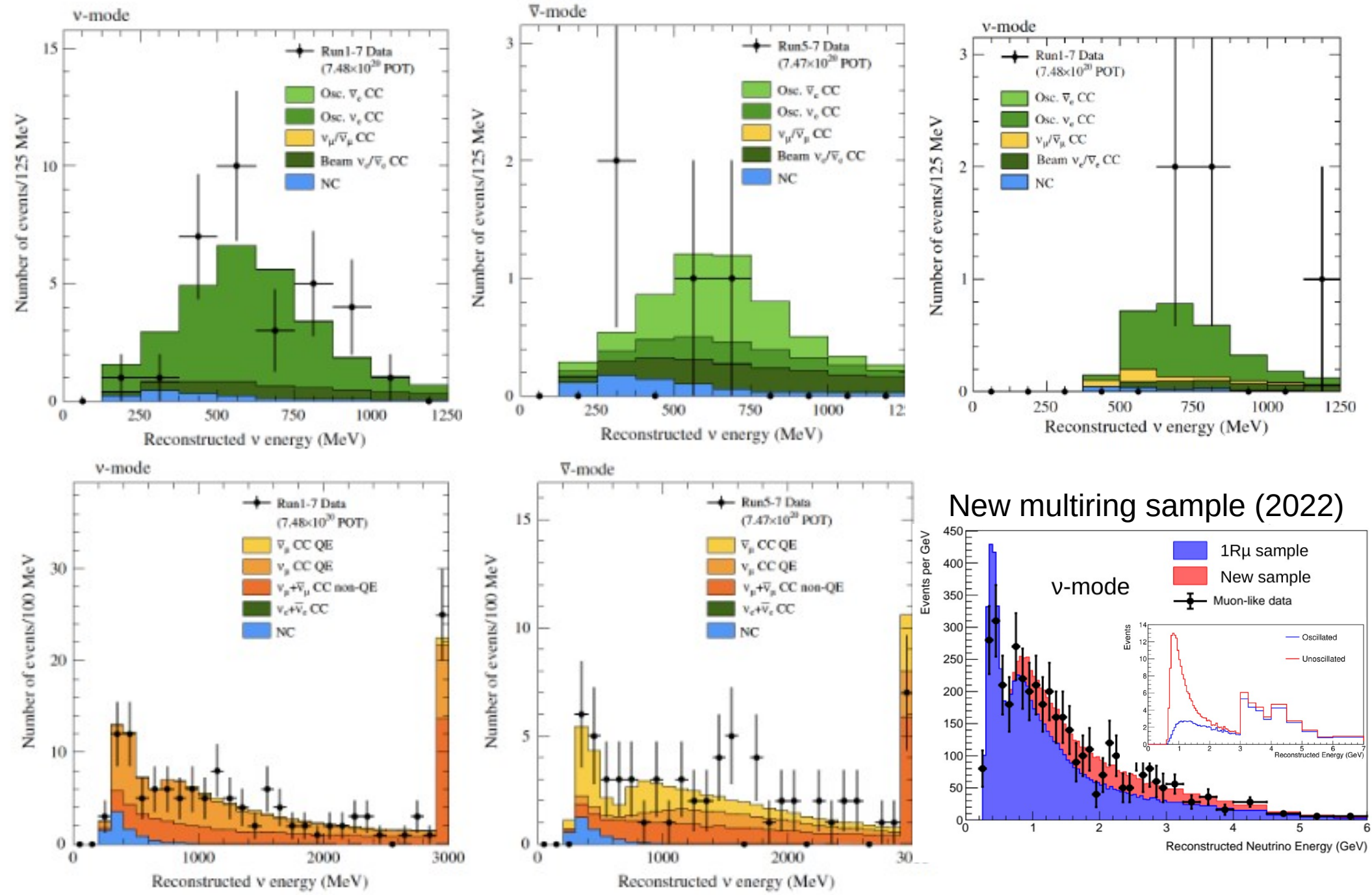


**Main disappearance channel:  
 $\nu_\mu$  with 1 mu-like ring**

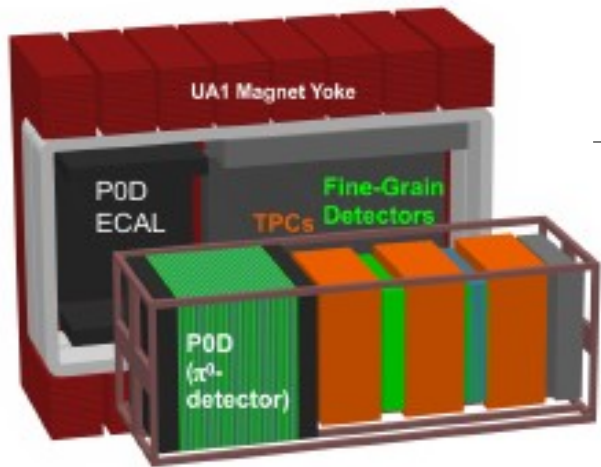
CC-nonQE does disappear but  
- higher energy  
→ not at oscillation maximum  
- but much less precise  $E_\nu^{\text{rec}}$

Important to have a dedicated  
CC- $1\pi$  sample at far detector  
for x-check 'feed-down' 161

# SuperKamiokande samples



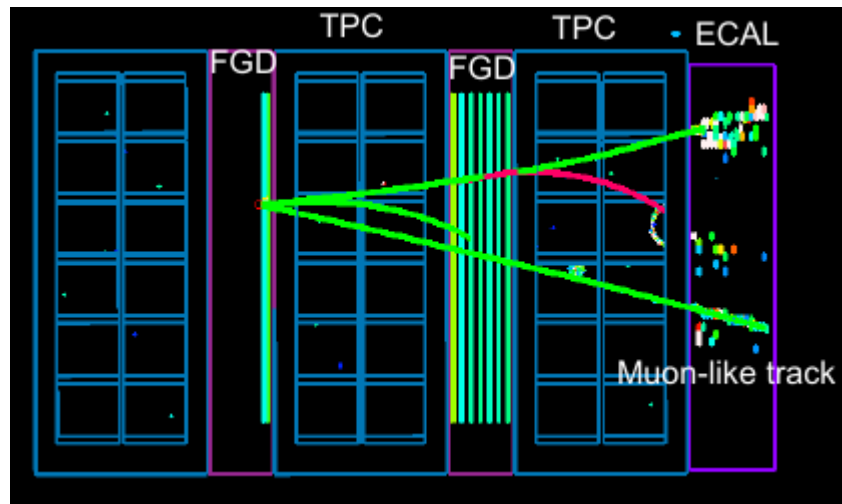
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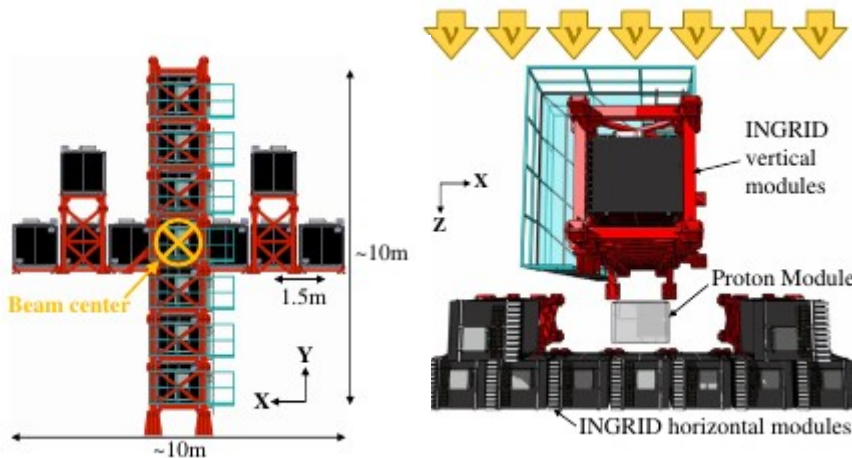
ND280 : off-axis ( $2.5^\circ$ )

Measure flux and xsec for oscillation analysis

Full tracking and particle reconstruction (**magnetized!**):  
measure precisely neutrino and antineutrino rate before oscillation



- fully magnetized (0.2 T)
- FGD scintillators : x-y bars (C and passive water)
- TPC → **good tracking efficiency, resolution** (10% at  $p_T \sim 1\text{GeV}$ ) **and particle identification**
- **POD** sampling scintillator for pi0 detection (water in/out)



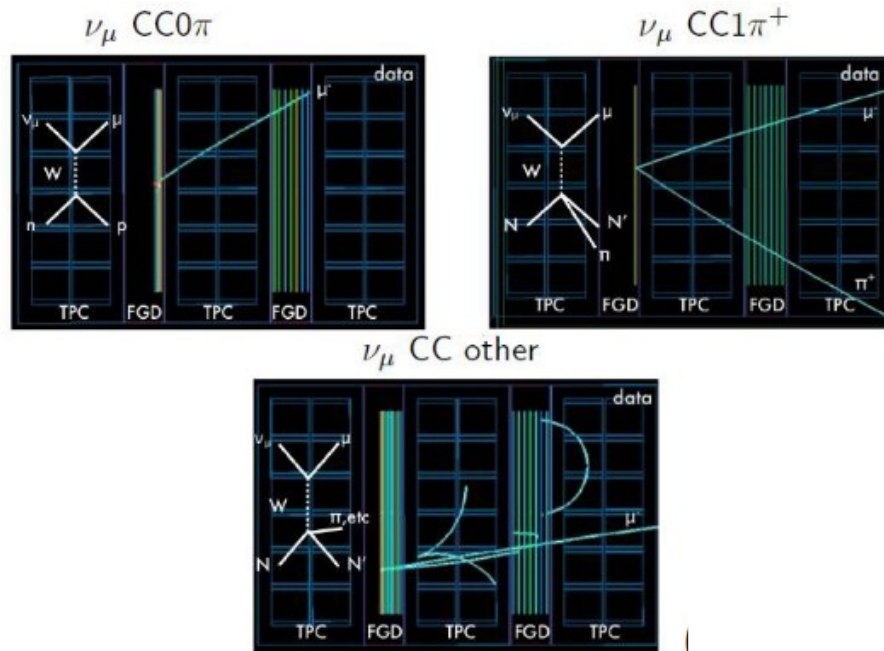
INGRID : on-axis

**Beam stability monitoring: position and direction (off-axis:  $E_\nu$  depends on angle)**

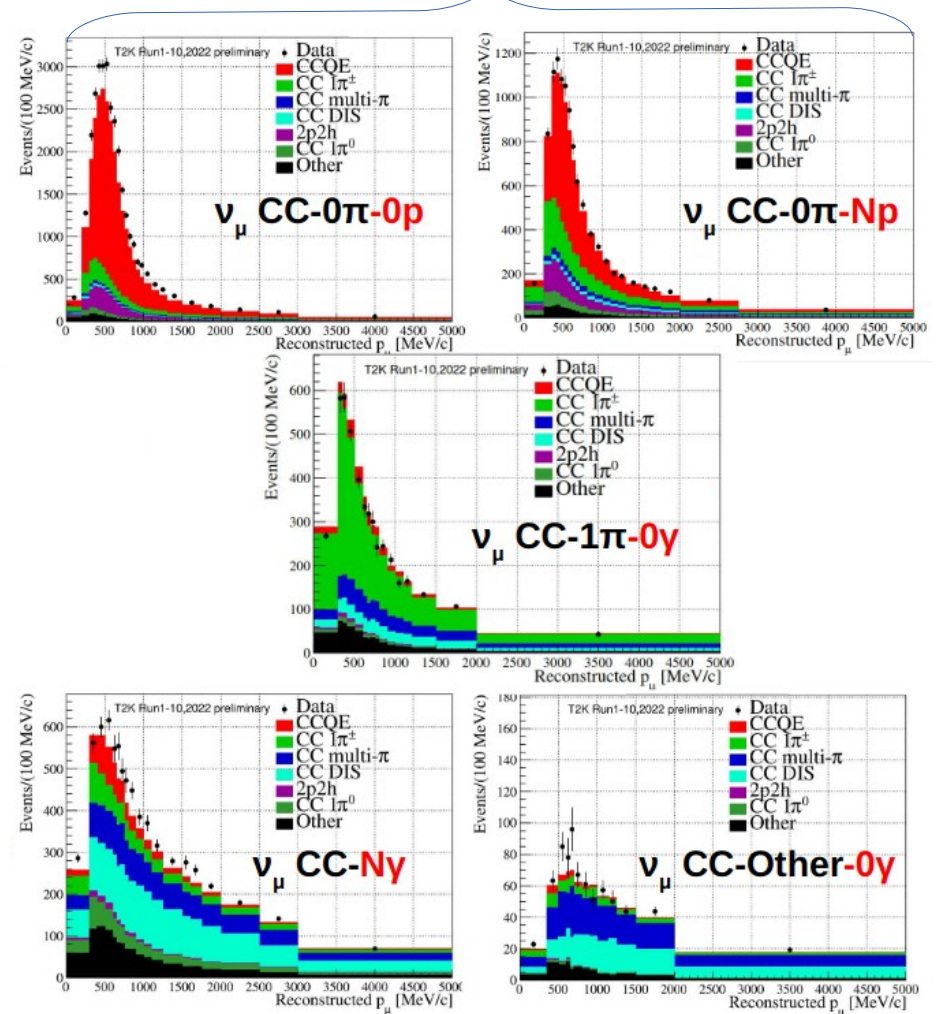
- iron plates alternated with CH scintillator (+ proton module : fully active scintillator)
- **coarser granularity, not magnetized but larger mass** :  $2.5 \times 10^{30}$  nucleons (Fe) +  $1.8 \times 10^{29}$  nucleons (CH)

# T2K ND selection

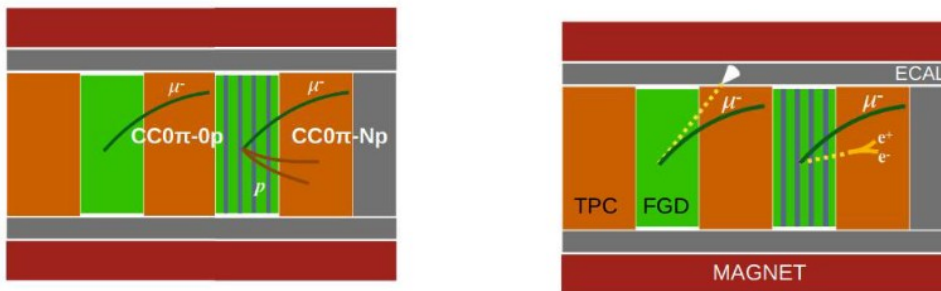
- Require **one muon + separate sample based on proton, pion and  $\gamma$  multiplicity (full exclusive final state reconstruction)**
- Until now, similar to SK: **only lepton kinematics used for neutrino energy assessment**



## Main QE channel

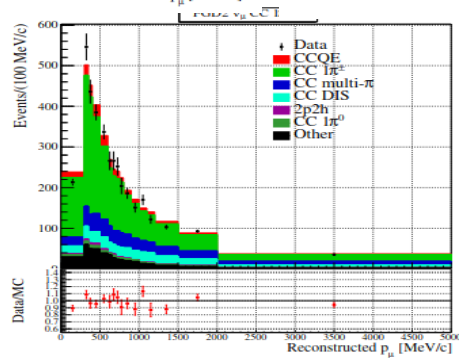
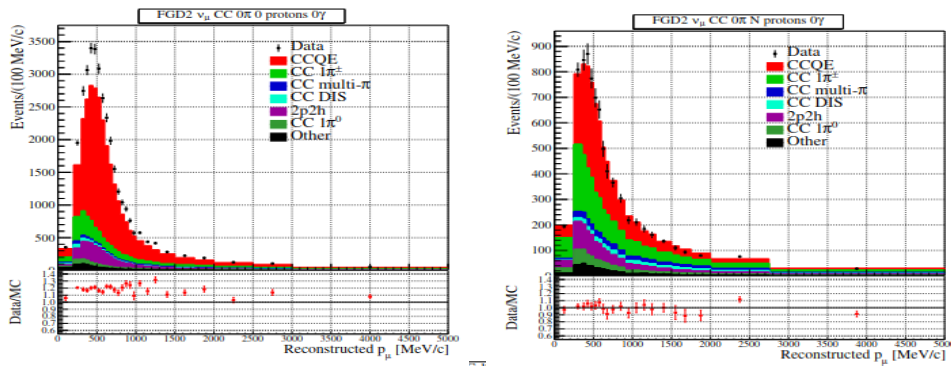


## Proton and $\gamma$ tagging: new in 2022

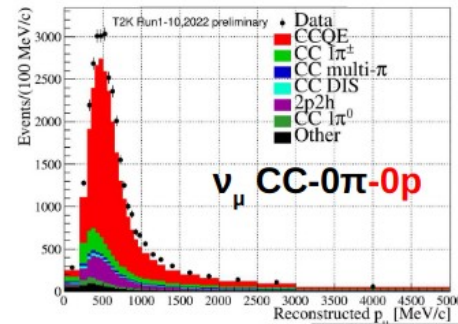
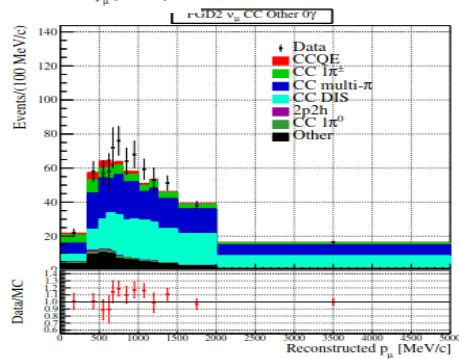
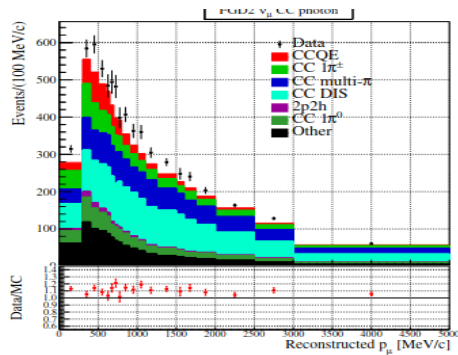


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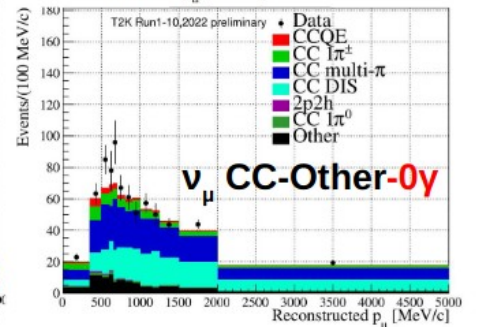
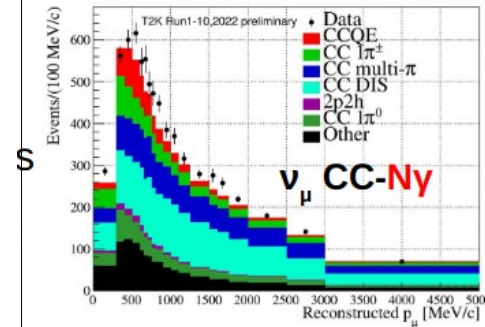
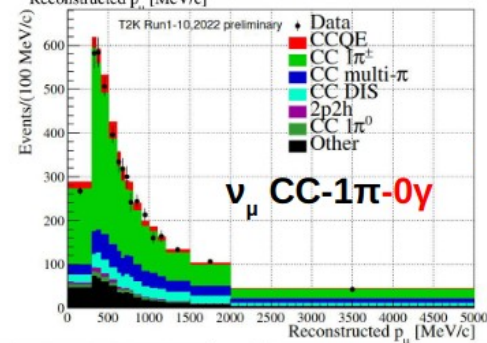
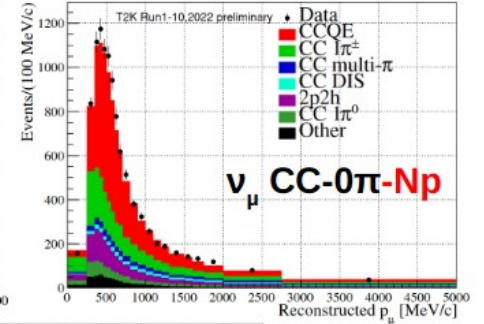
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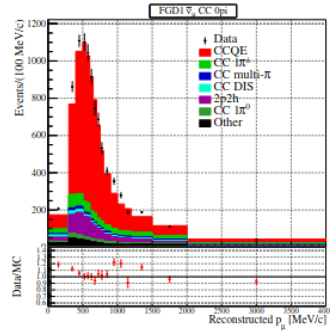


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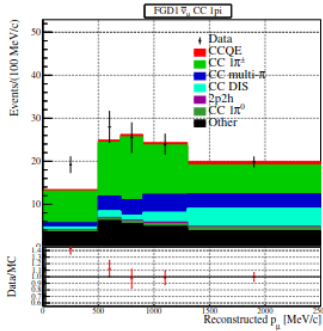
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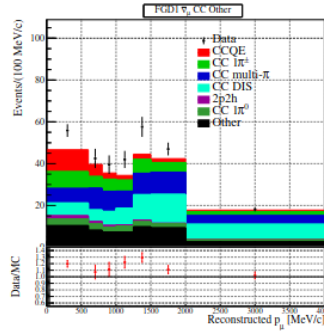
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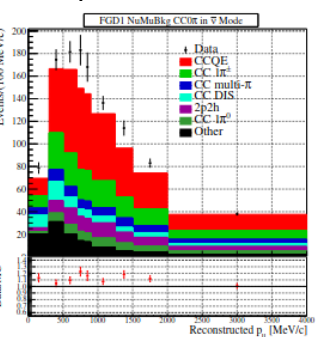
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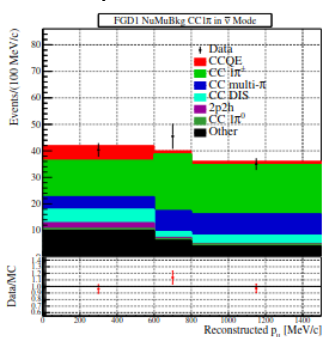
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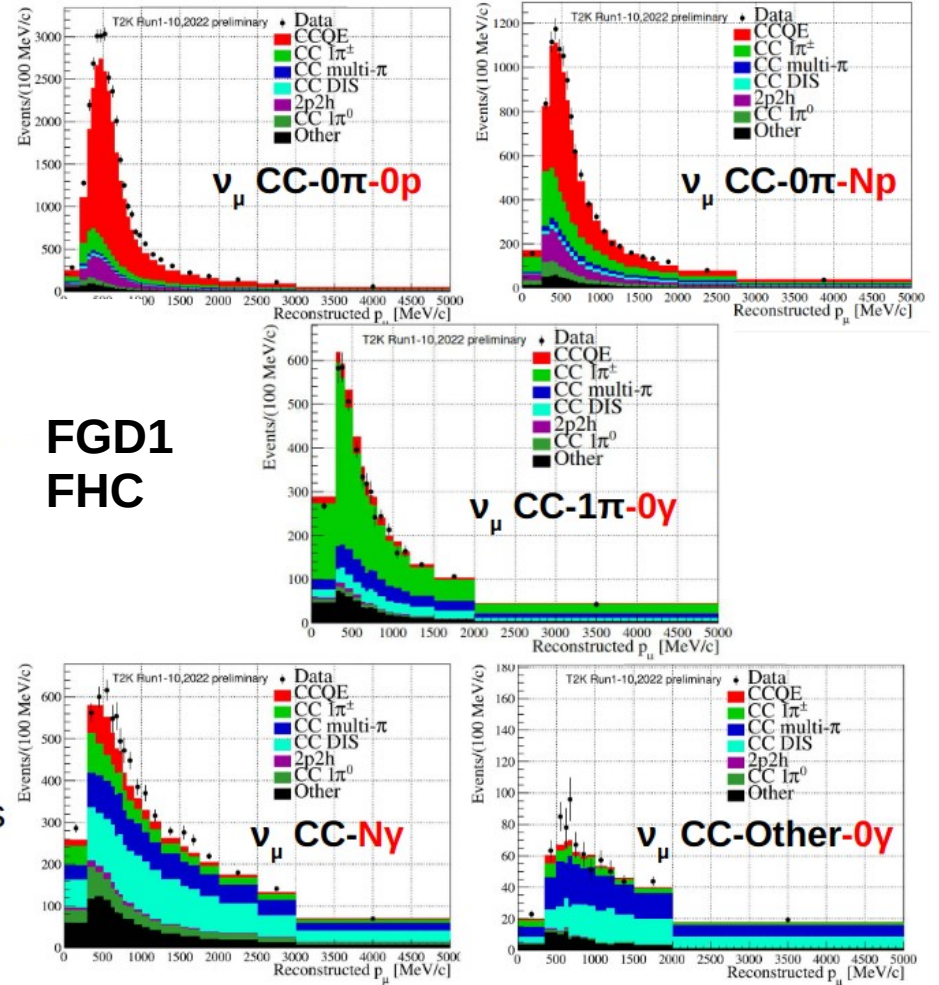
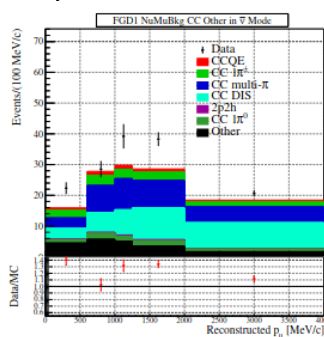
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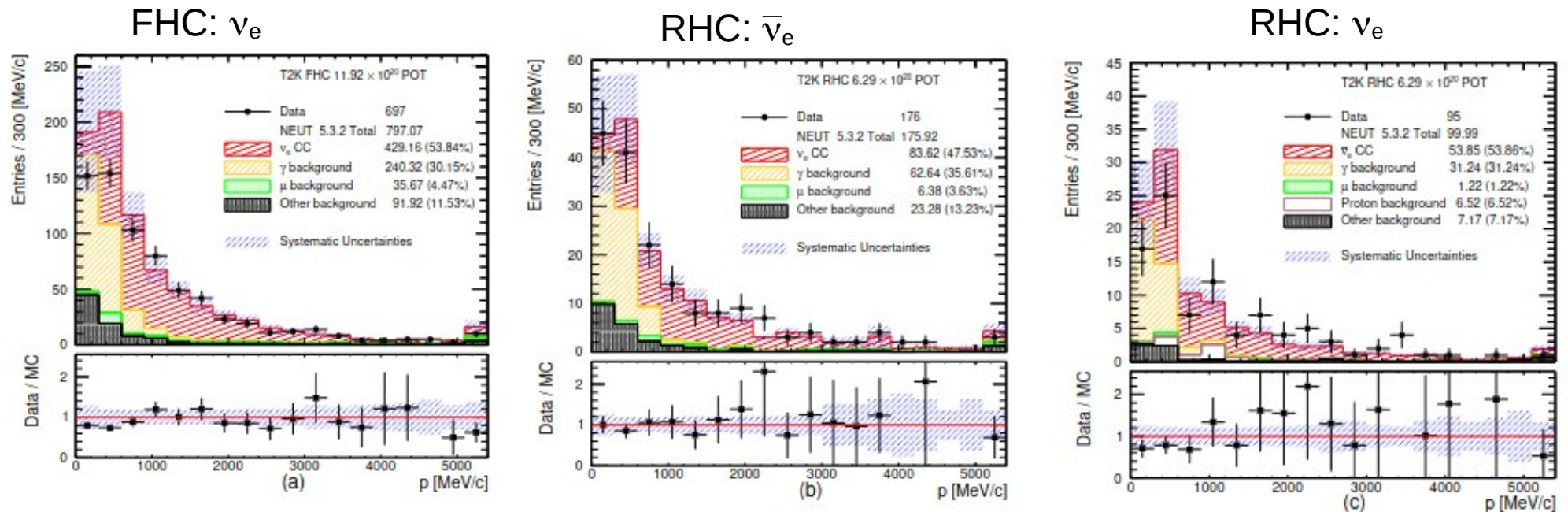


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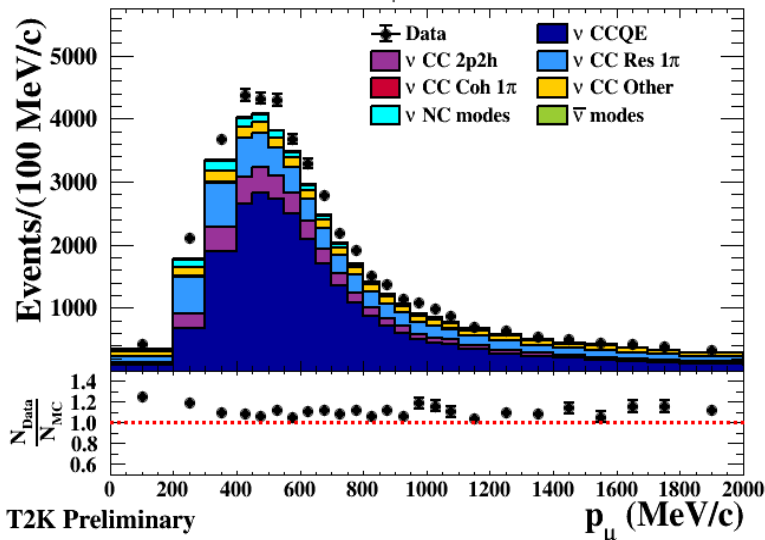
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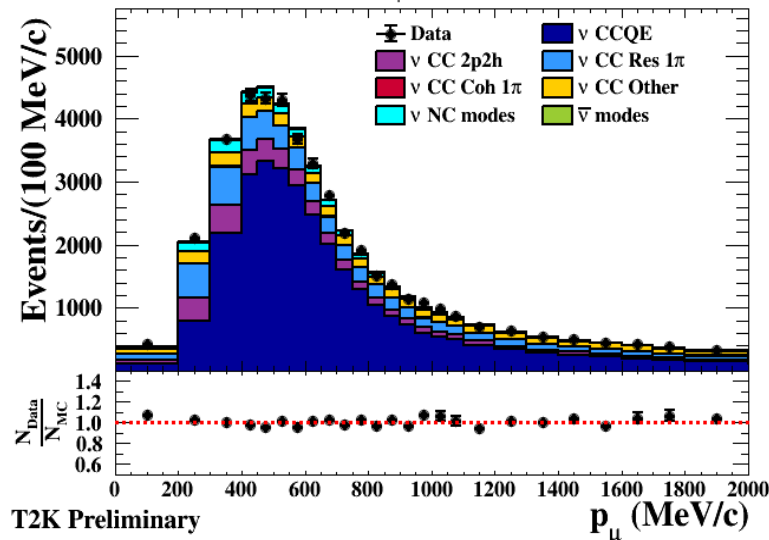
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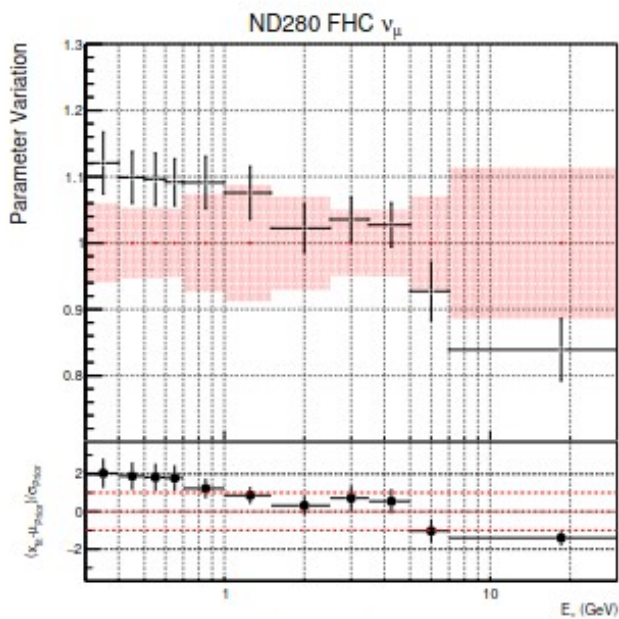
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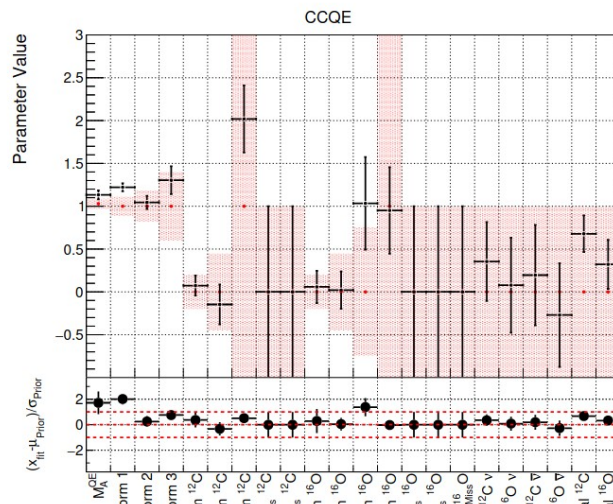


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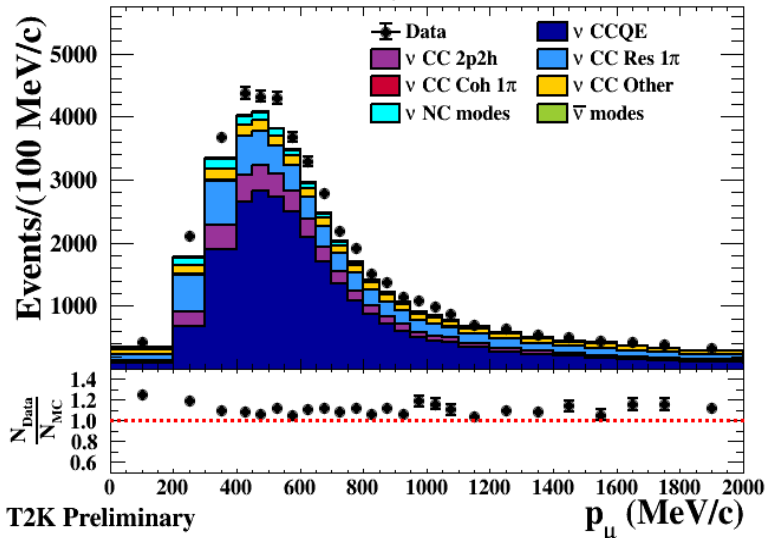


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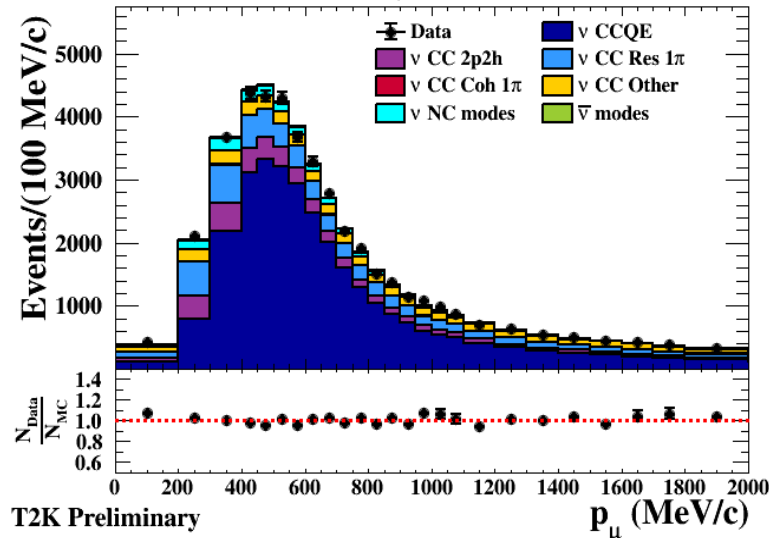
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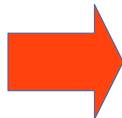
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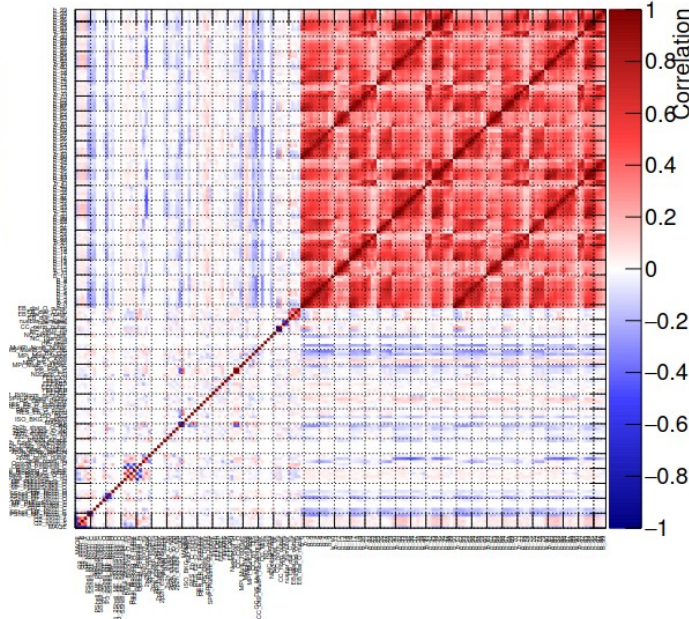
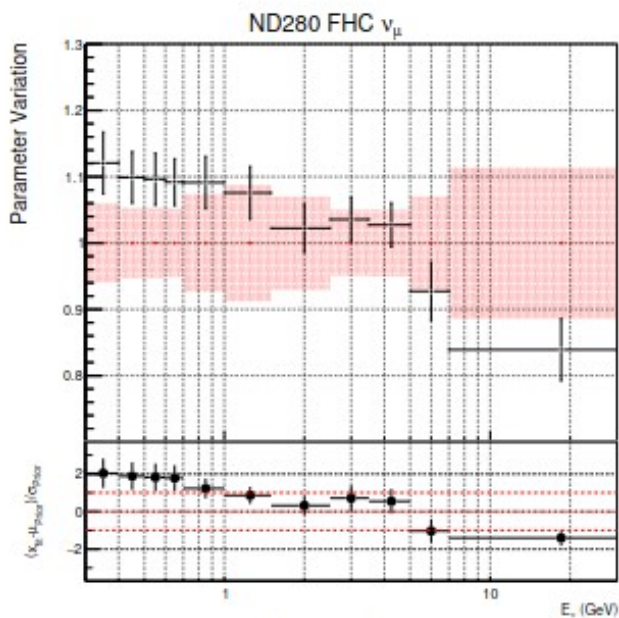
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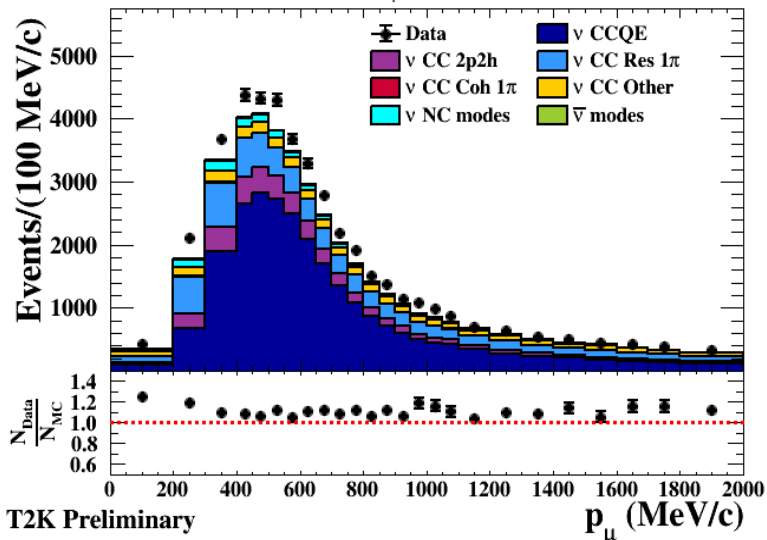
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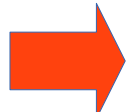
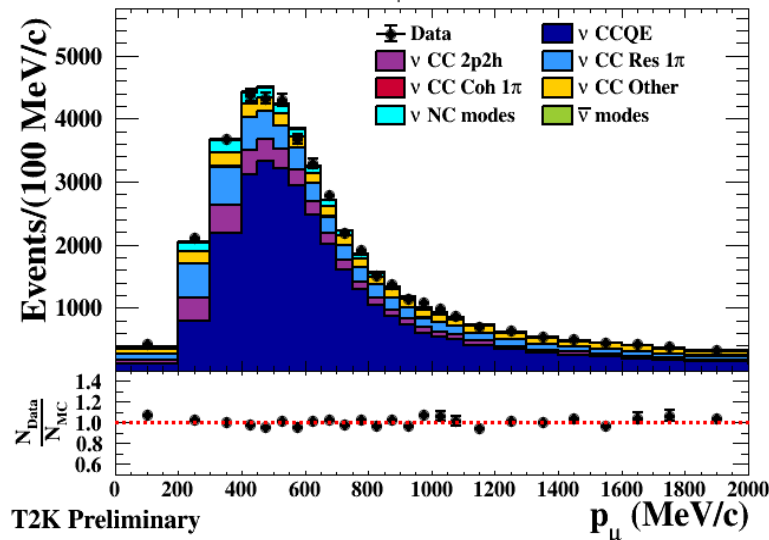
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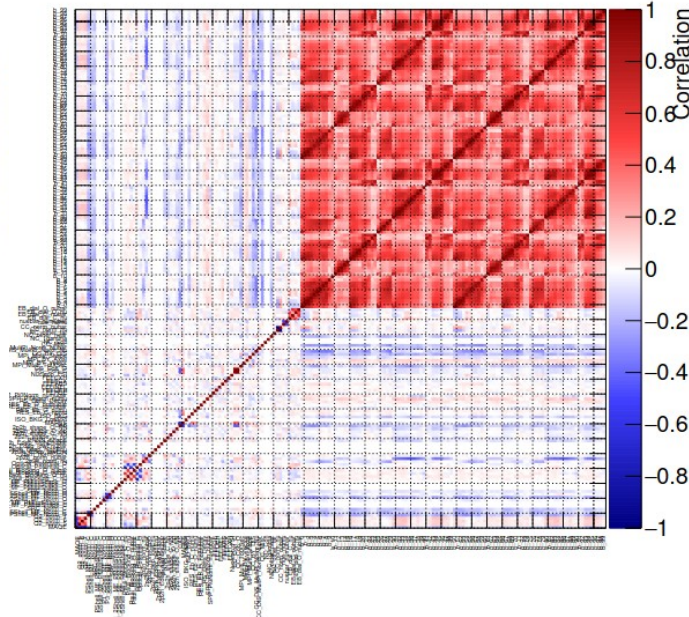
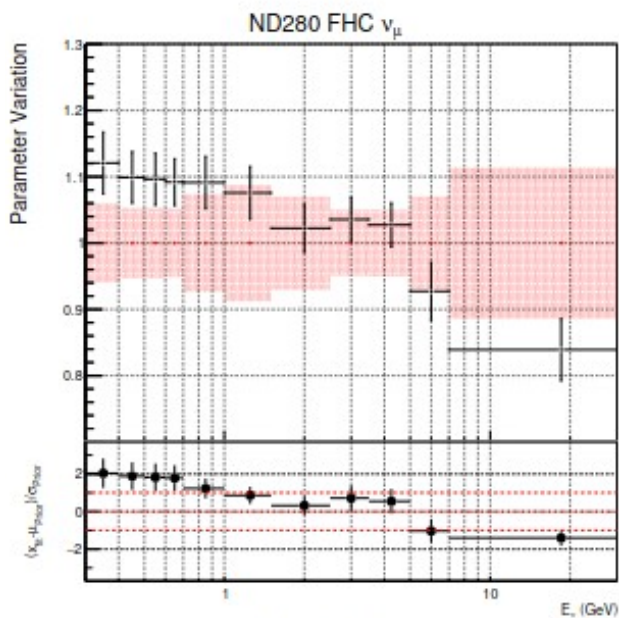


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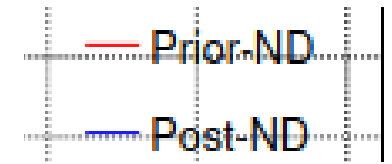
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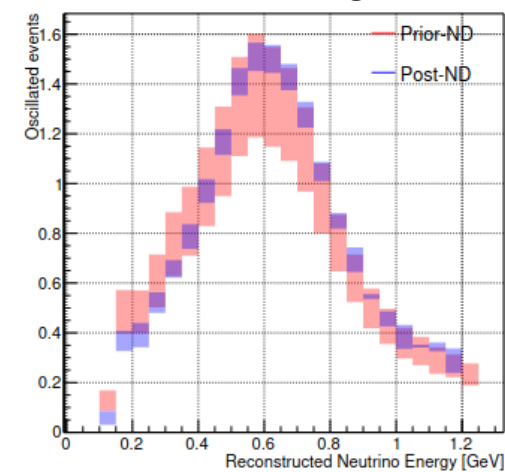
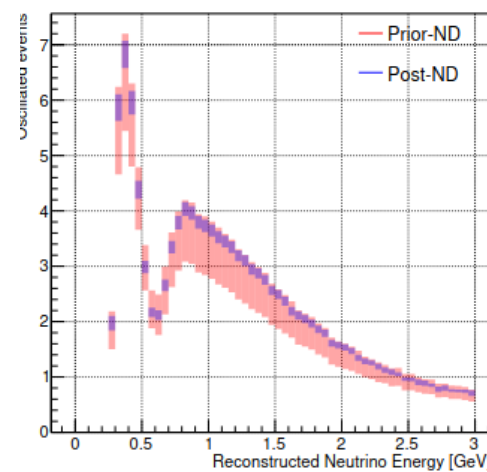
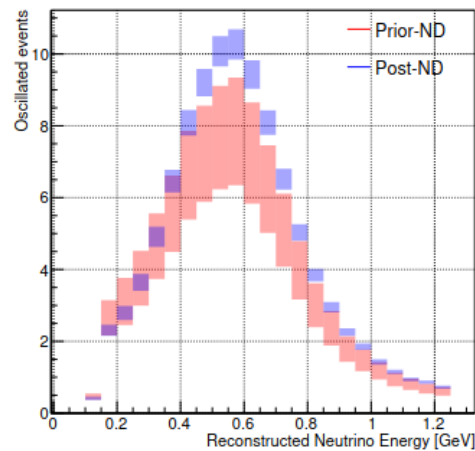
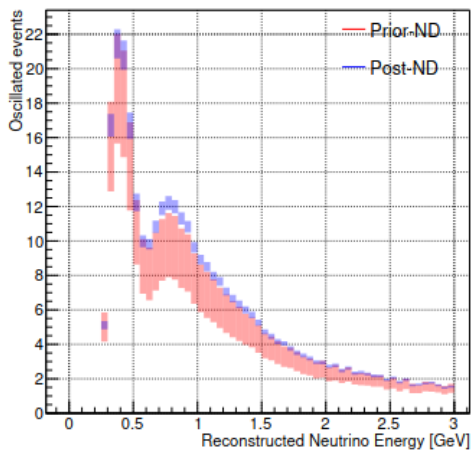


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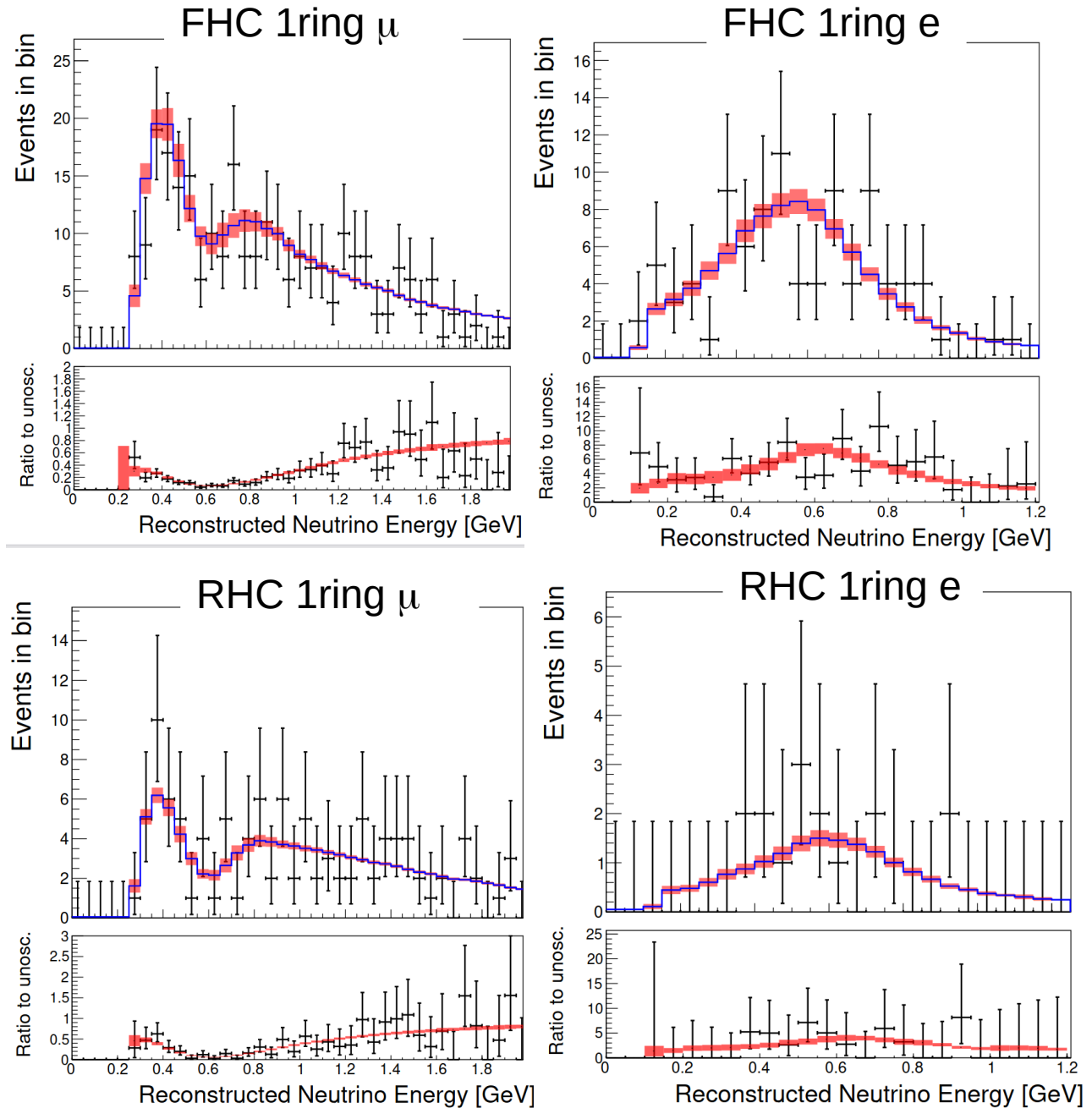
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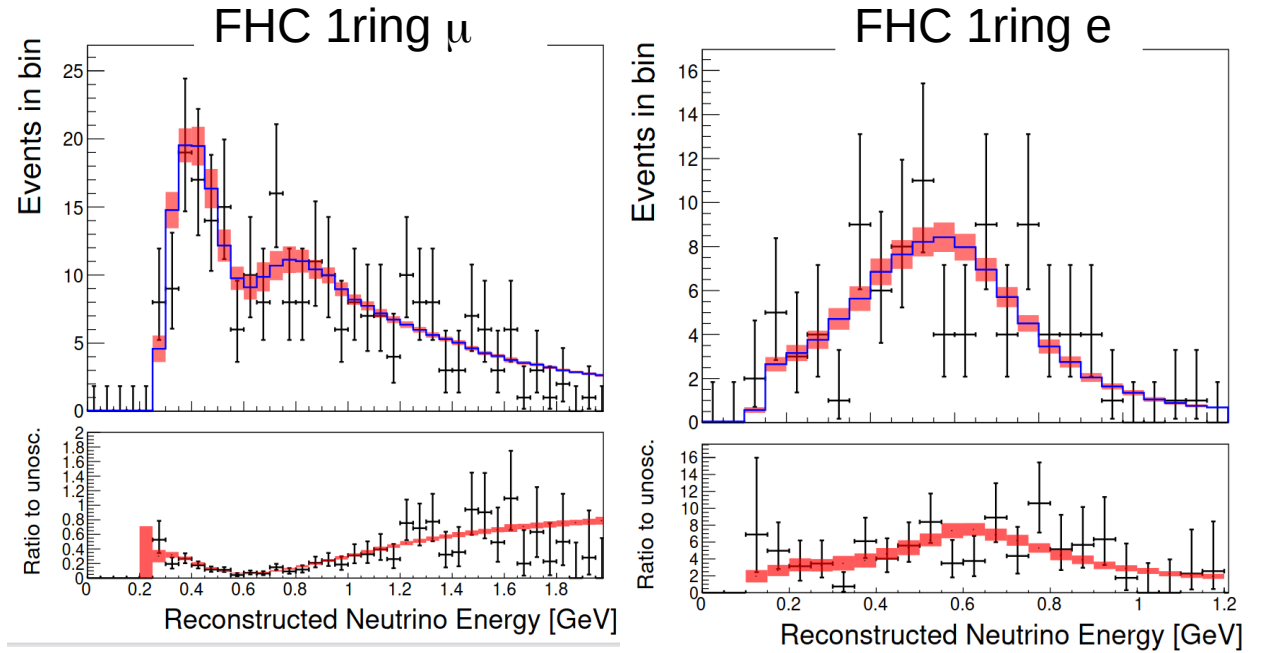
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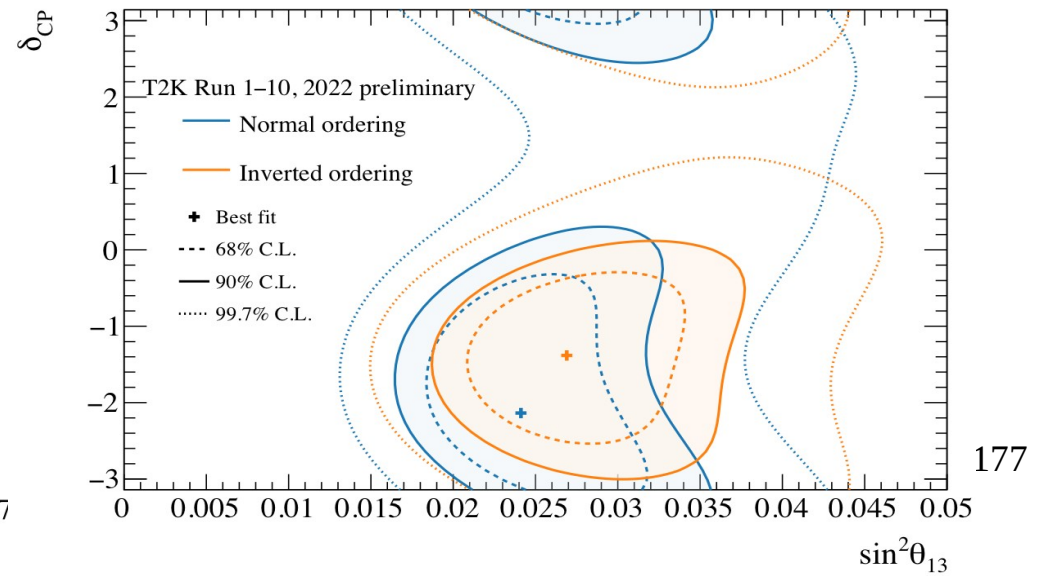
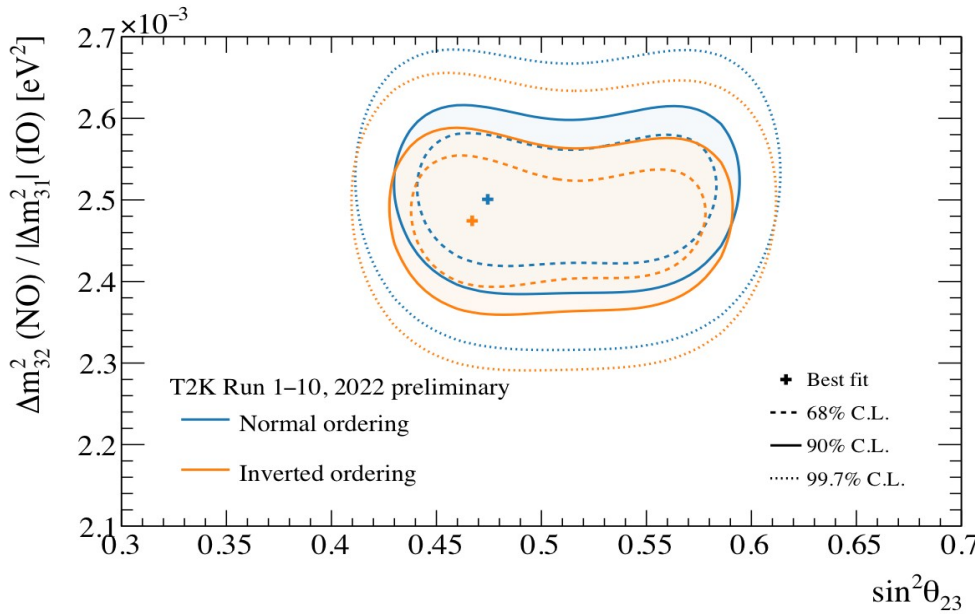
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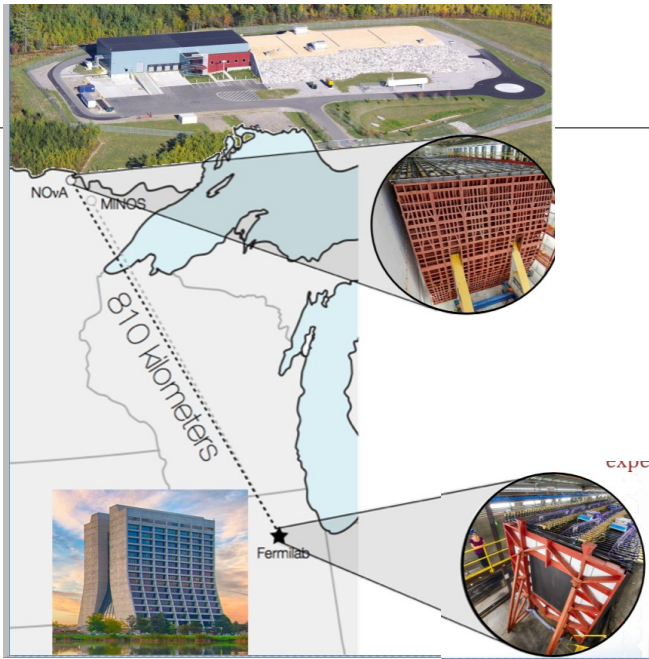
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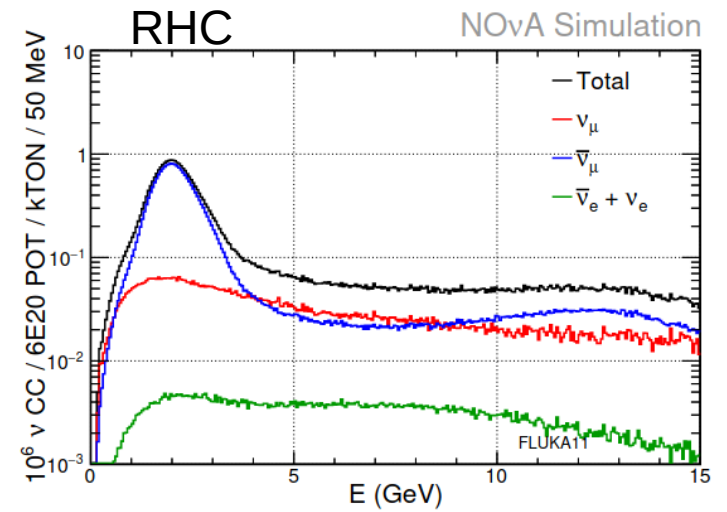
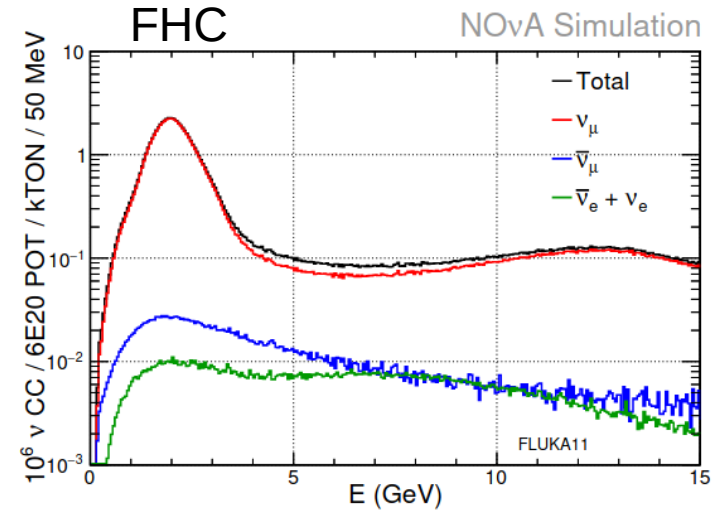
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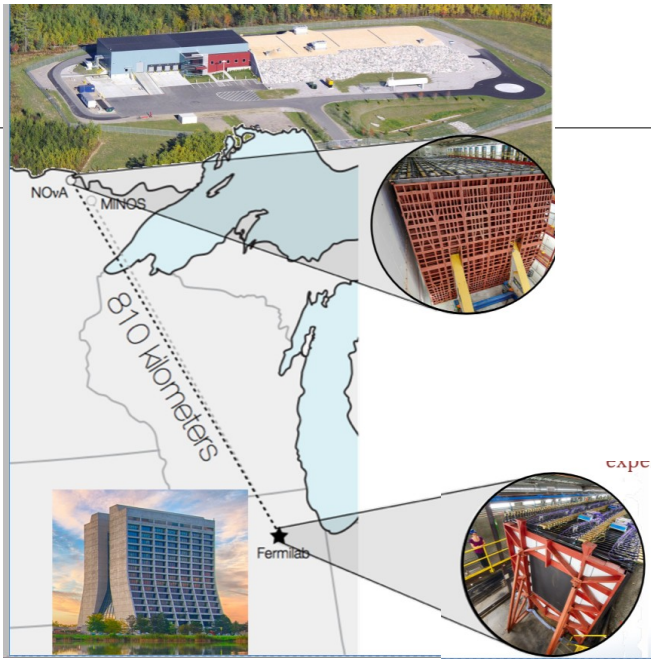
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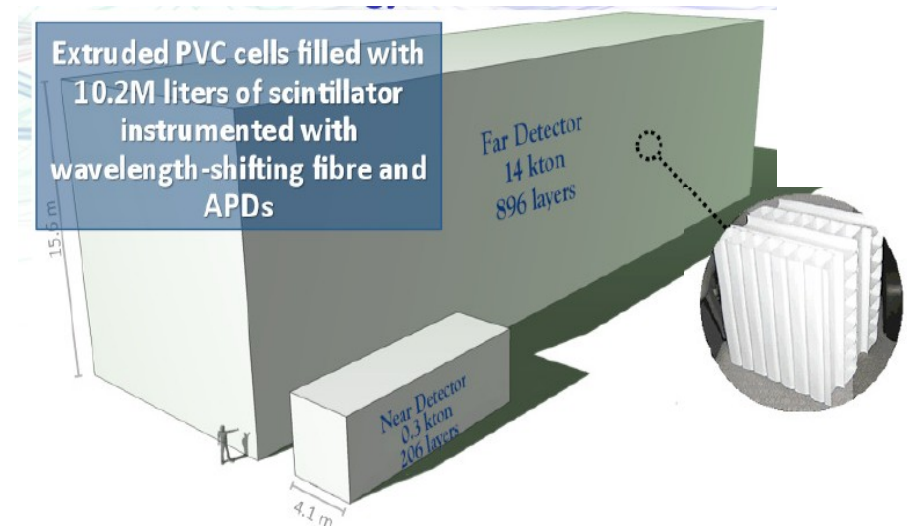
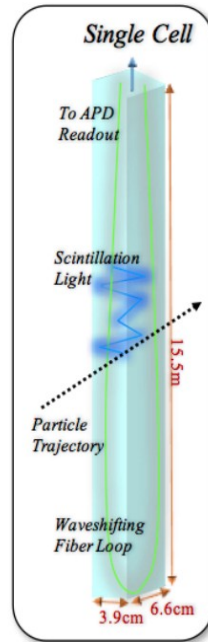
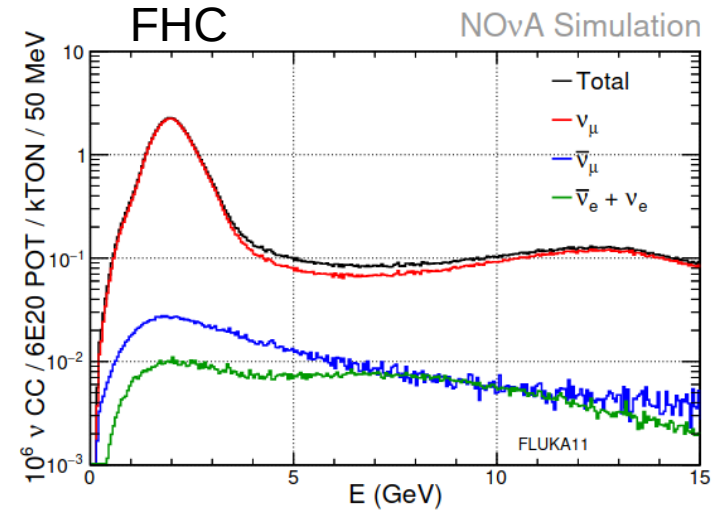
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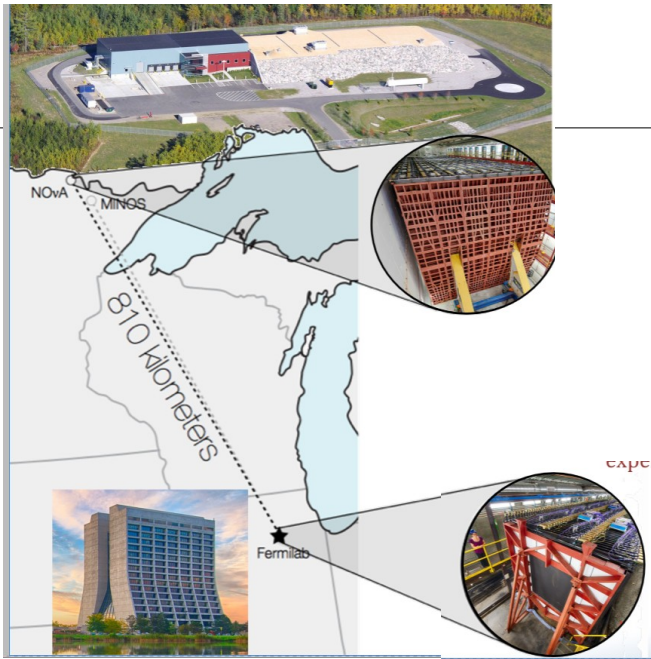
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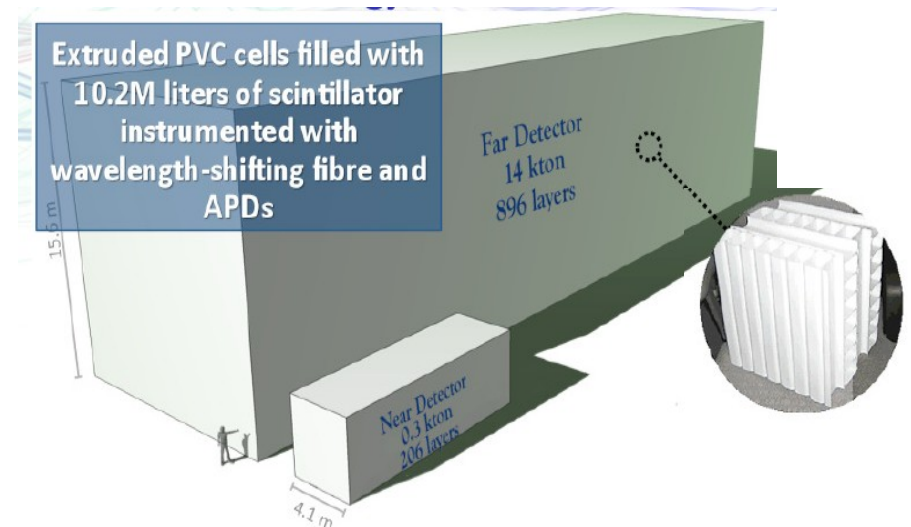
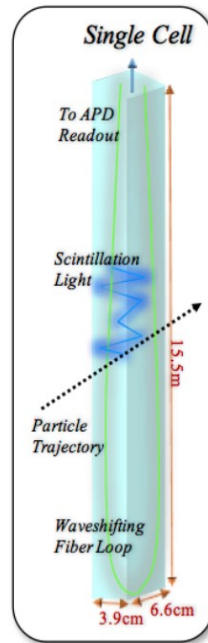
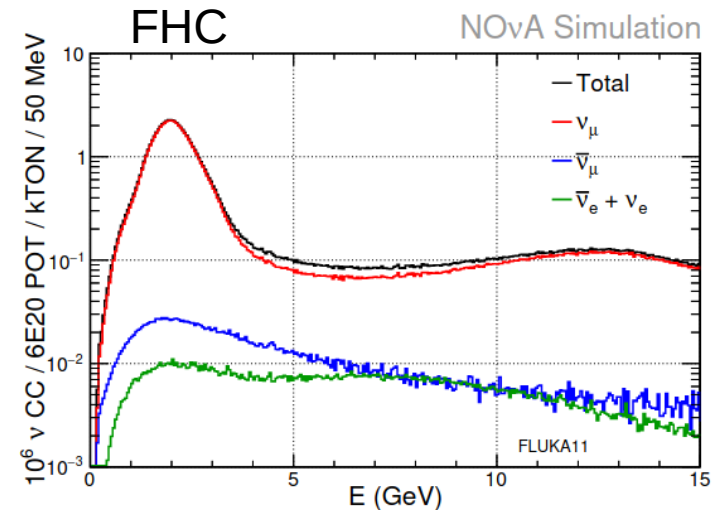
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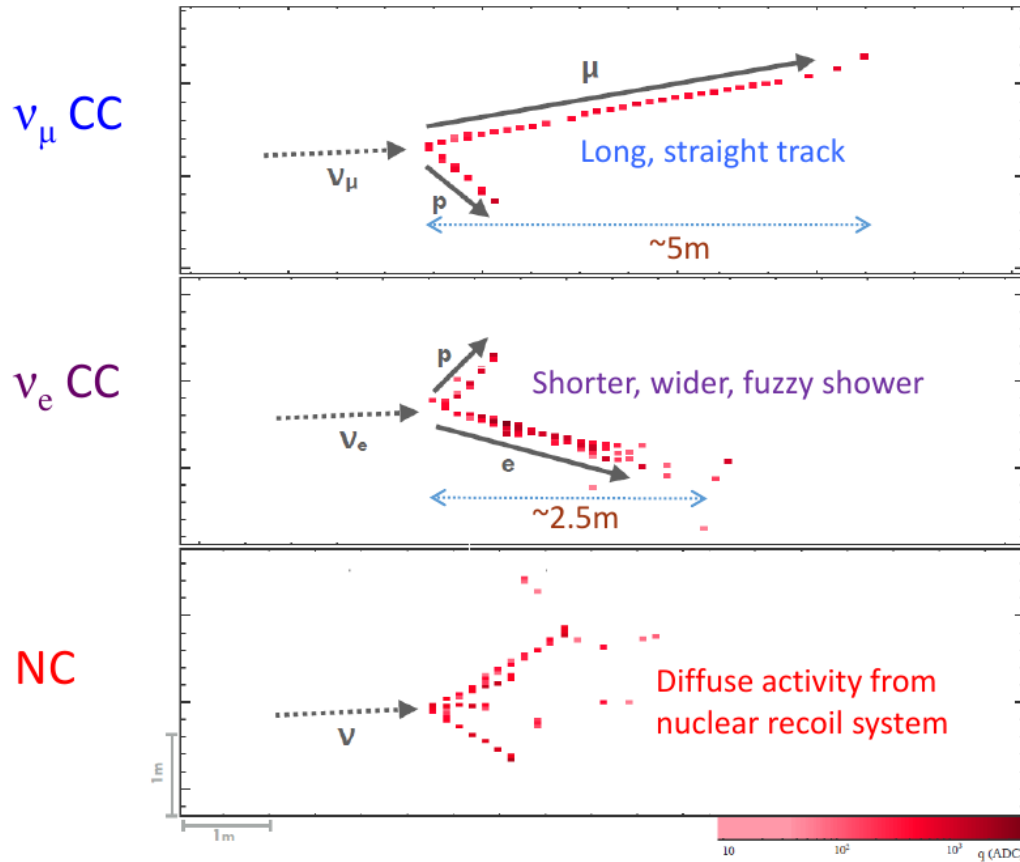


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  - still need to disentangle flux and xsec since they depends on  $E_\nu$  differently
  - different acceptance (in  $p_T$ ) at ND and FD due to different size

# What do we measure?



**Muons** (if contained)

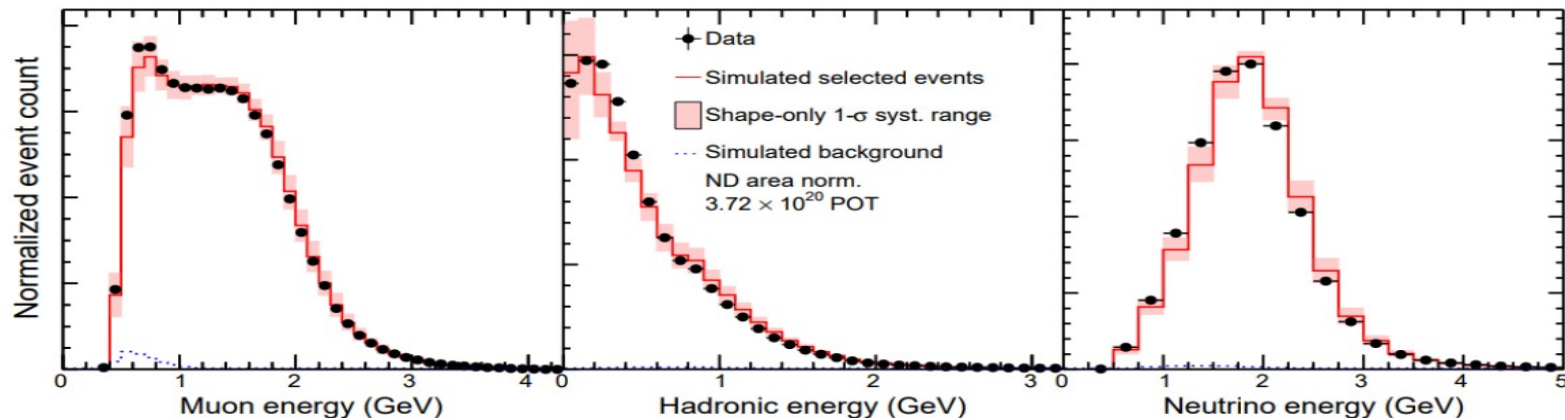
Electrons as **shower**



Hadrons (mostly as **diffuse activity + tracks**)

High energy flux: pion production and DIS → large fraction of  $E_\nu$  goes into hadrons

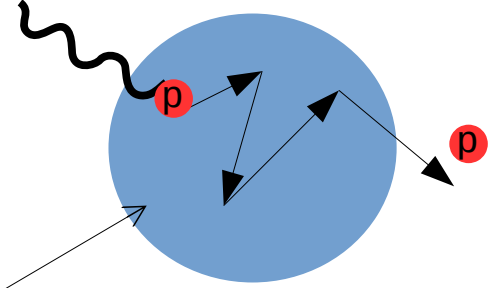
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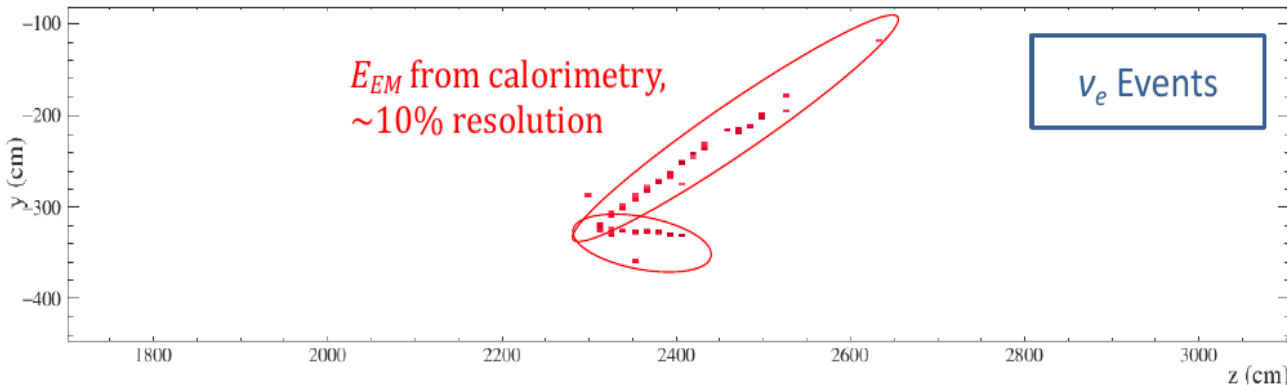
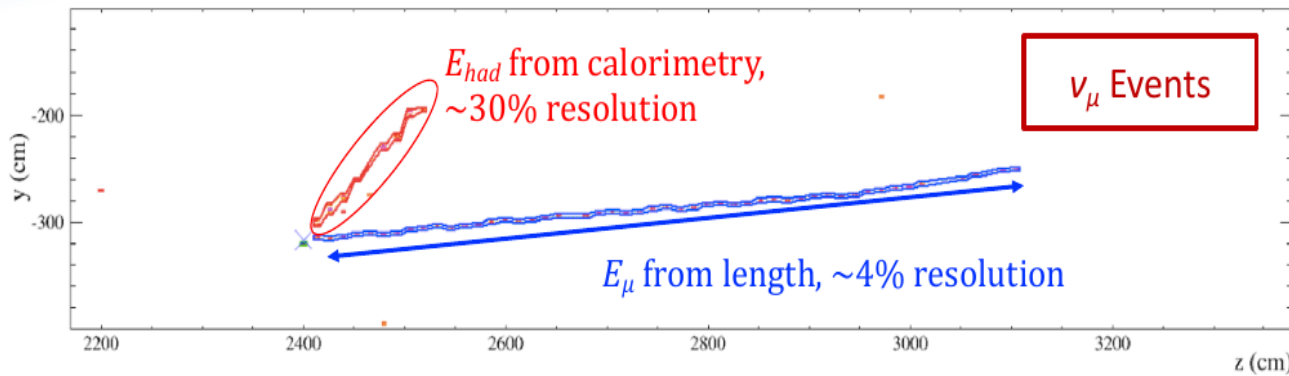
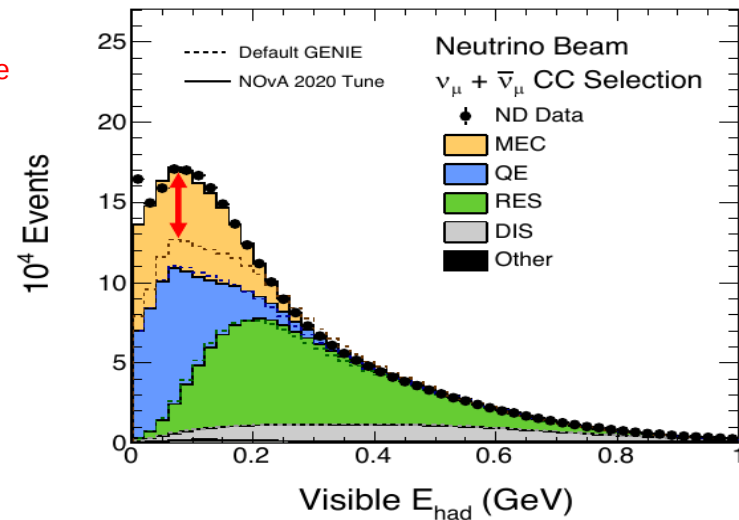
# $E_\nu$ reconstruction

- $E_\nu$  reconstructed with hadronic deposits:
  - important difference  $\nu$  –  $\bar{\nu}$ : proton vs neutron (~undetected)
  - proton/pion energy smeared by Final State Interactions
- Different reconstruction and energy resolution for  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$

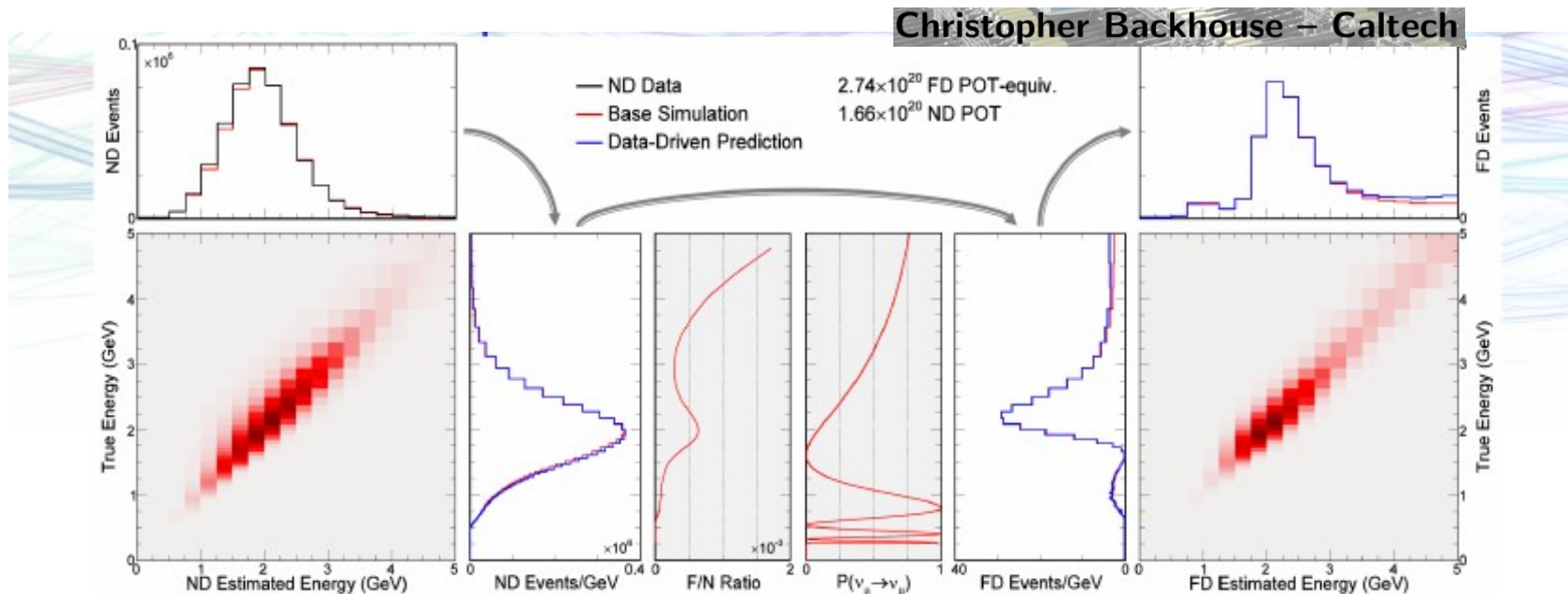
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Important to tune model predictions for  $E_{had}$  NOvA Preliminary



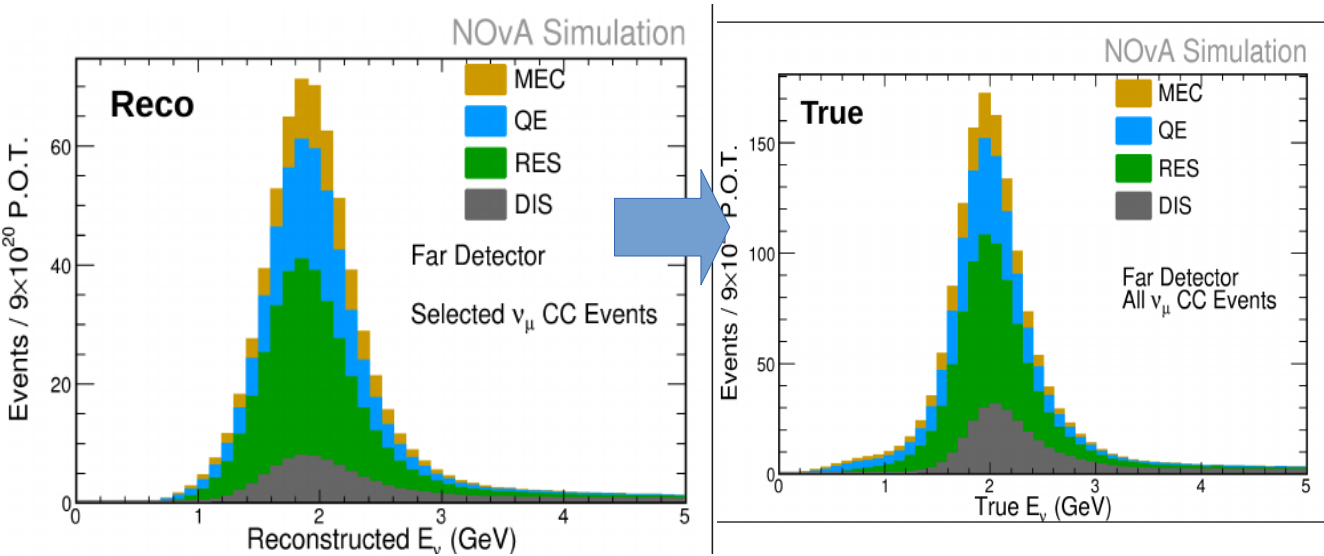
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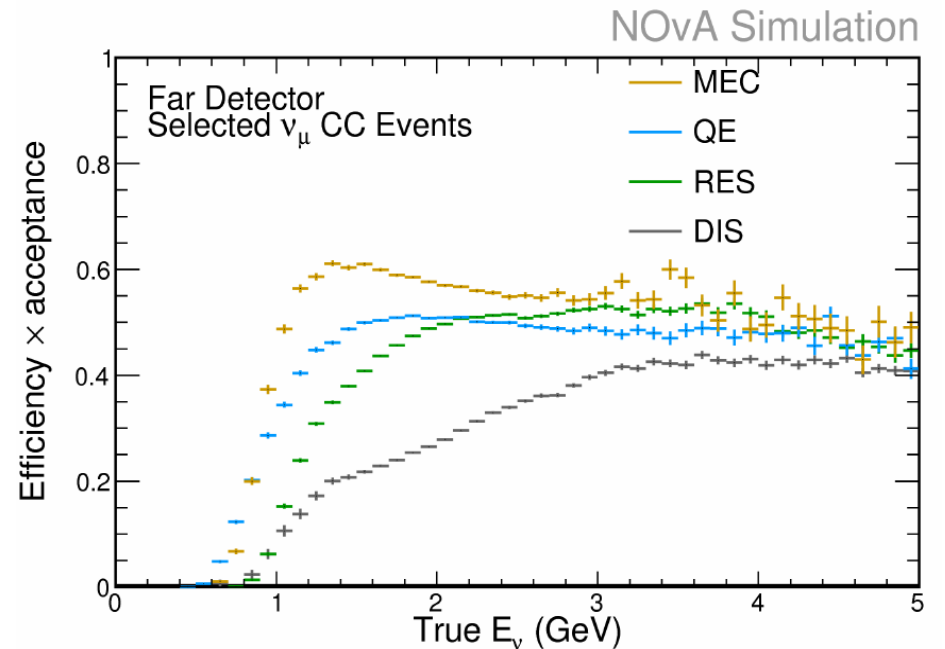
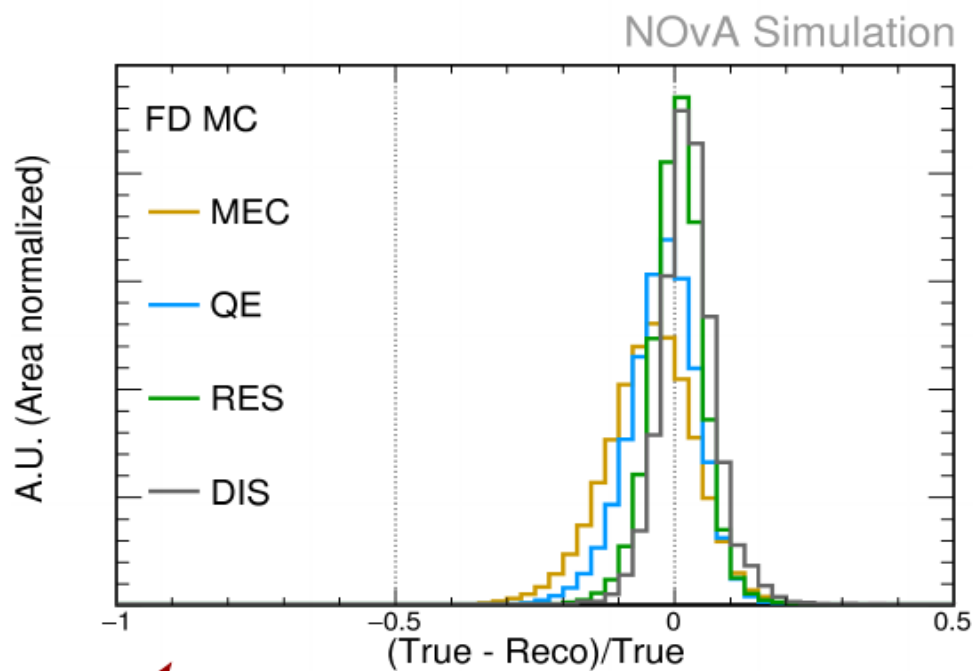
- ▶ Subtract NC expectation in ND, reweight MC in reco energy to match
- ▶ Transform to true energy, transport to FD with oscillations
- ▶ Transform to reco energy, add FD NC expectation back in
- ▶ Dependence on MC for **background subtraction and true/reco matrix**

Not only detector systematics but also theoretical uncertainties (FSI, multiplicity in the final state, fraction of neutrons...) do affect the true  $\leftrightarrow$  reco correspondance

# Resolution, efficiency, acceptance

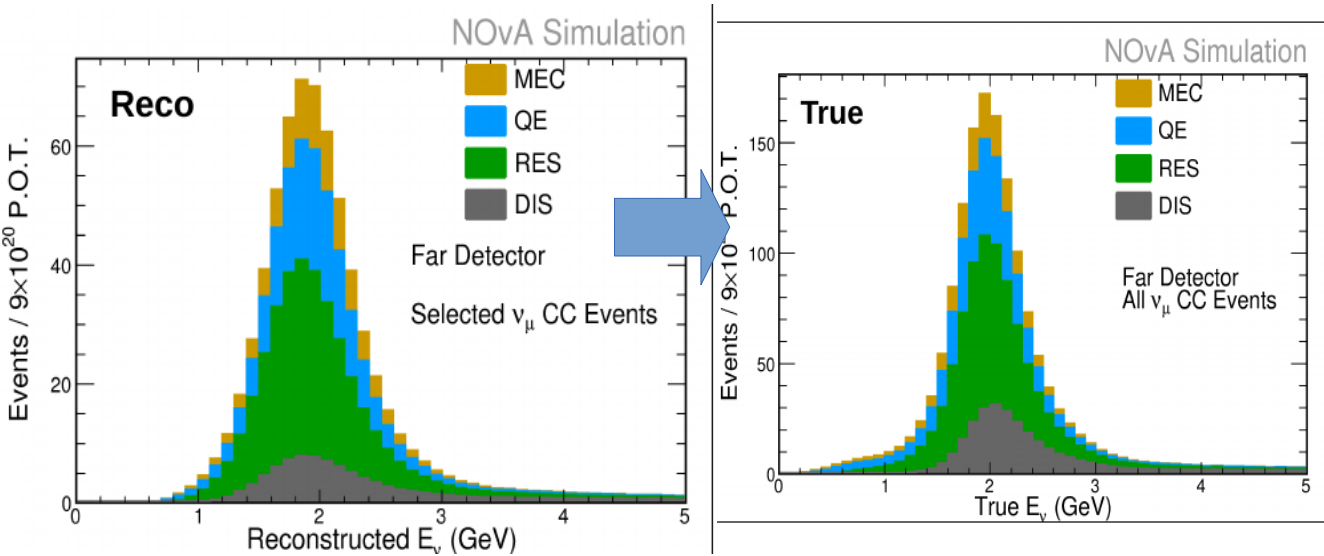


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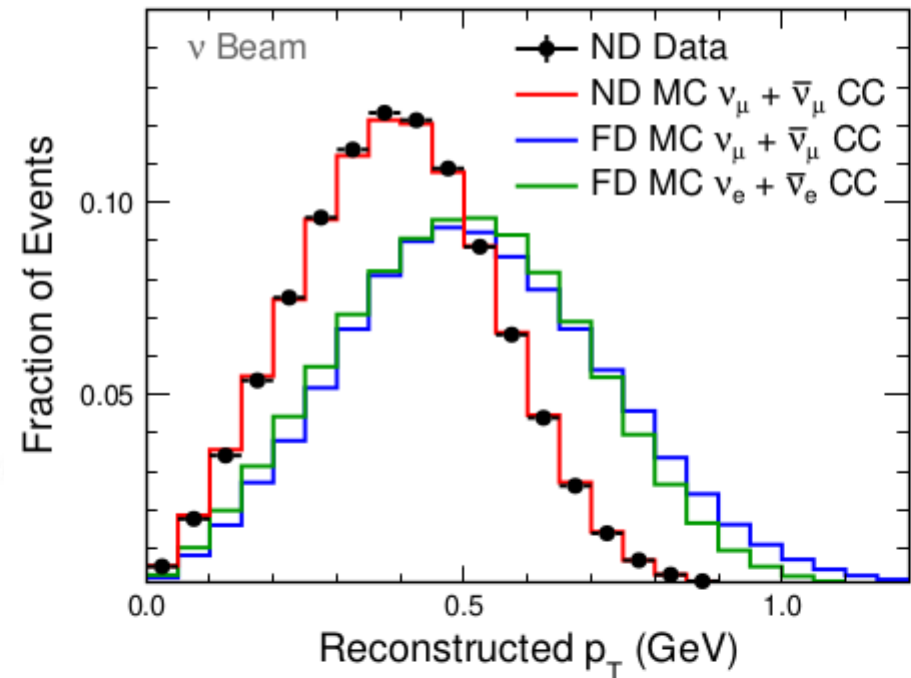
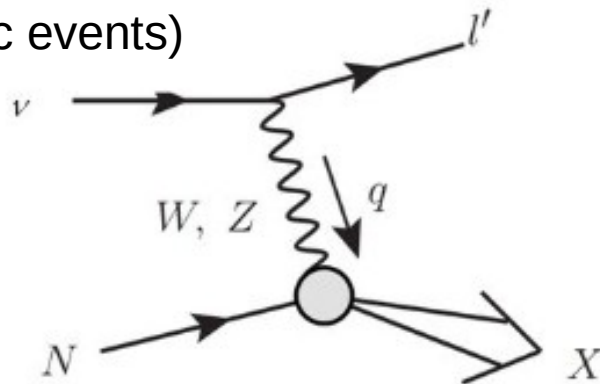


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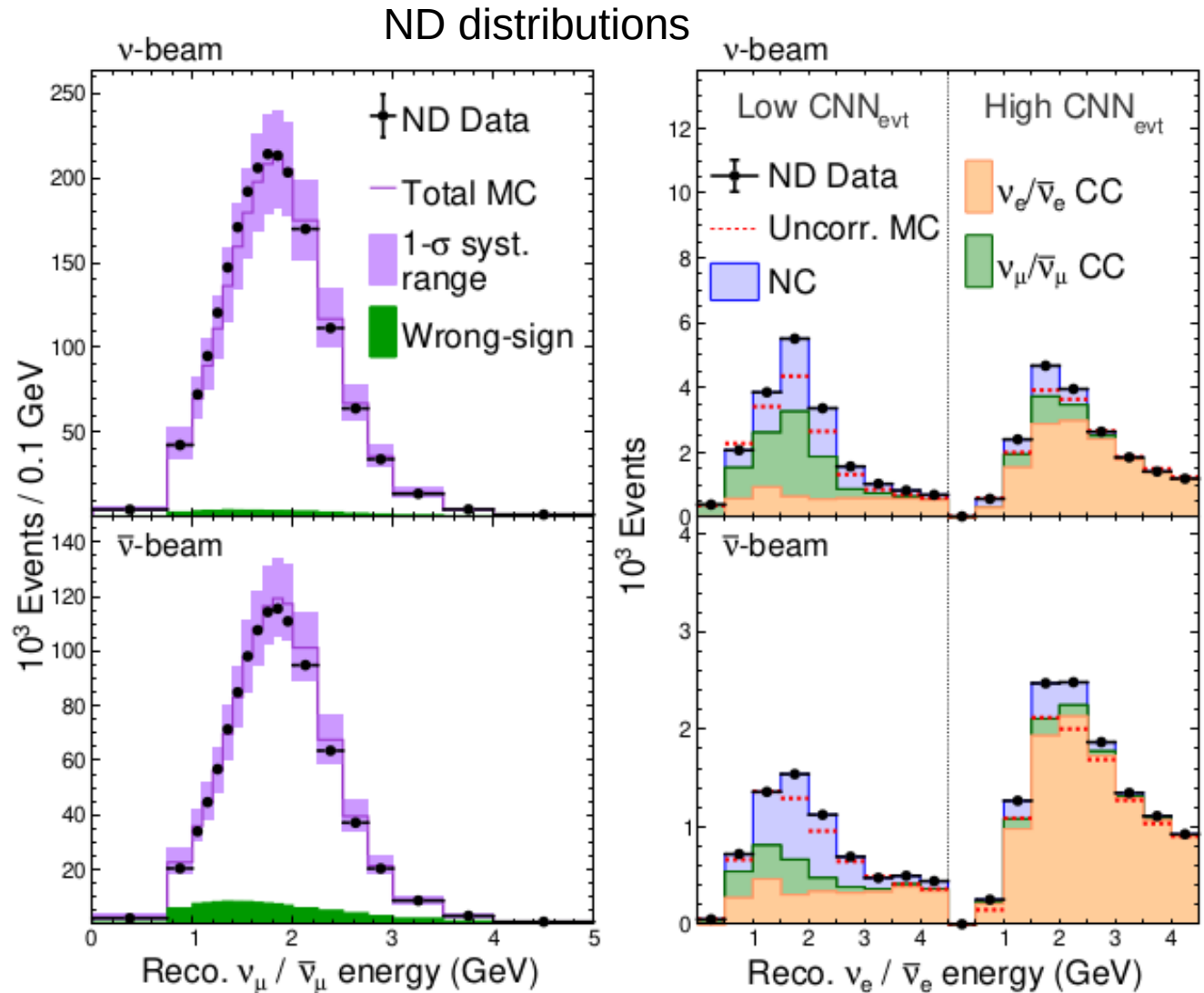
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- Due to different detector size, the acceptance of ND and FD is different: transverse momentum of the muon is larger when larger energy/momentum transferred to the nucleus (more inelastic events)



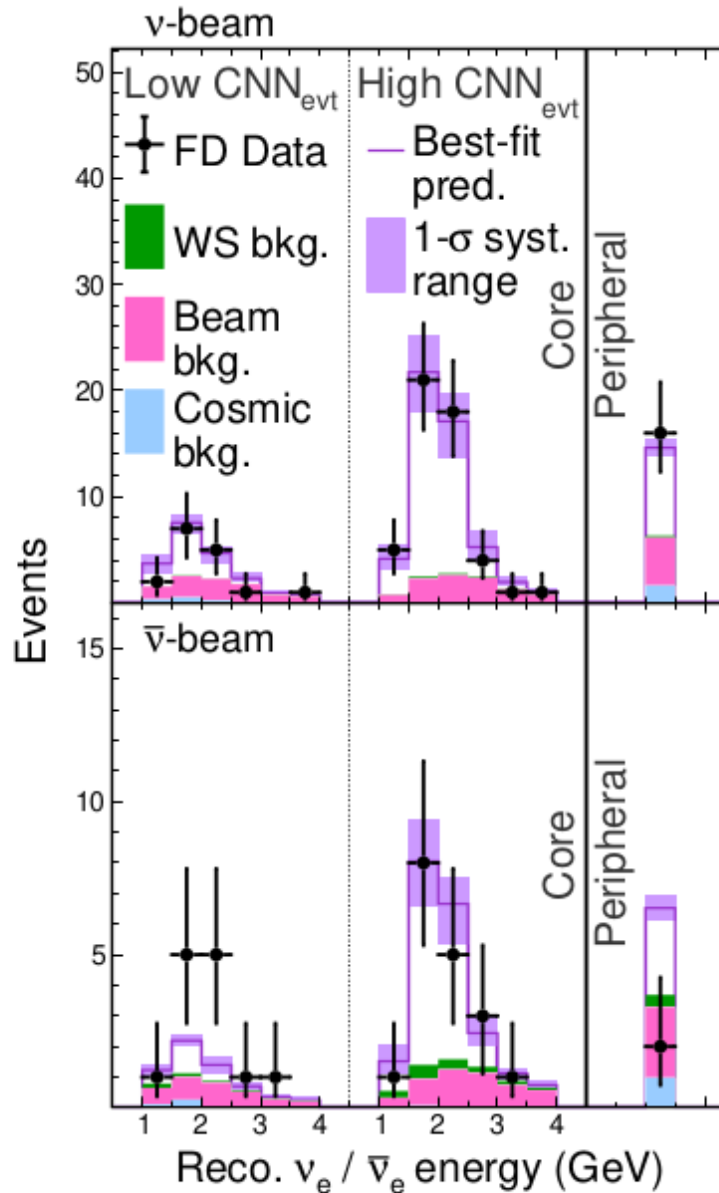
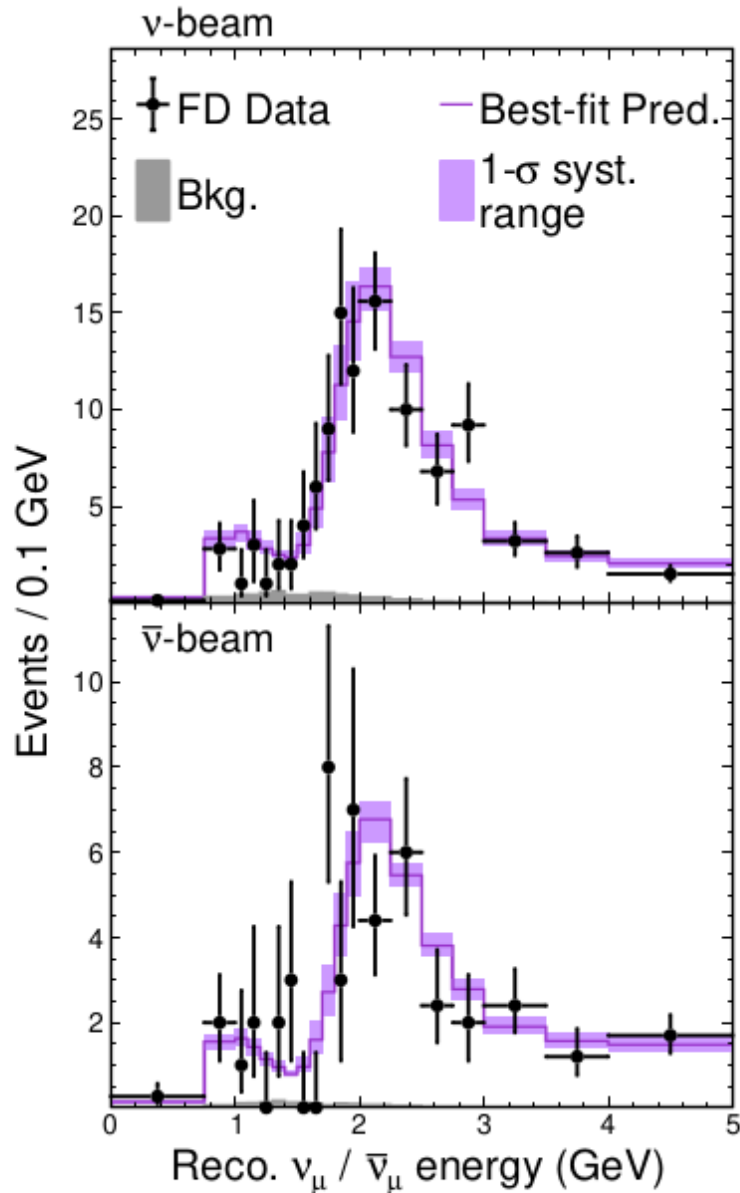
# Selection

- Inclusive selection: require one muon/electron. Convolutional Neural Network (CNN to separate  $\nu_\mu$ ,  $\nu_e$ , NC, cosmogenic background)
  - Electron-like sample subdivided by CNN score (different purity)
  - Muon-like sample subdivided by fraction of hadronic energy (different resolution)
  - All samples subdivided in lepton transverse momentum to minimize impact of different acceptance at ND and FD



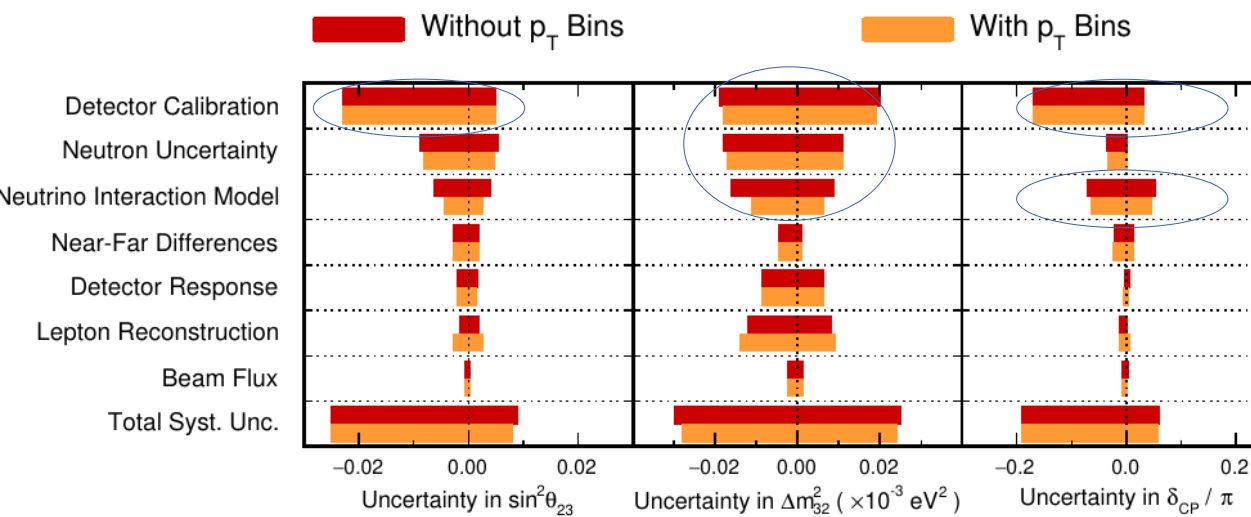
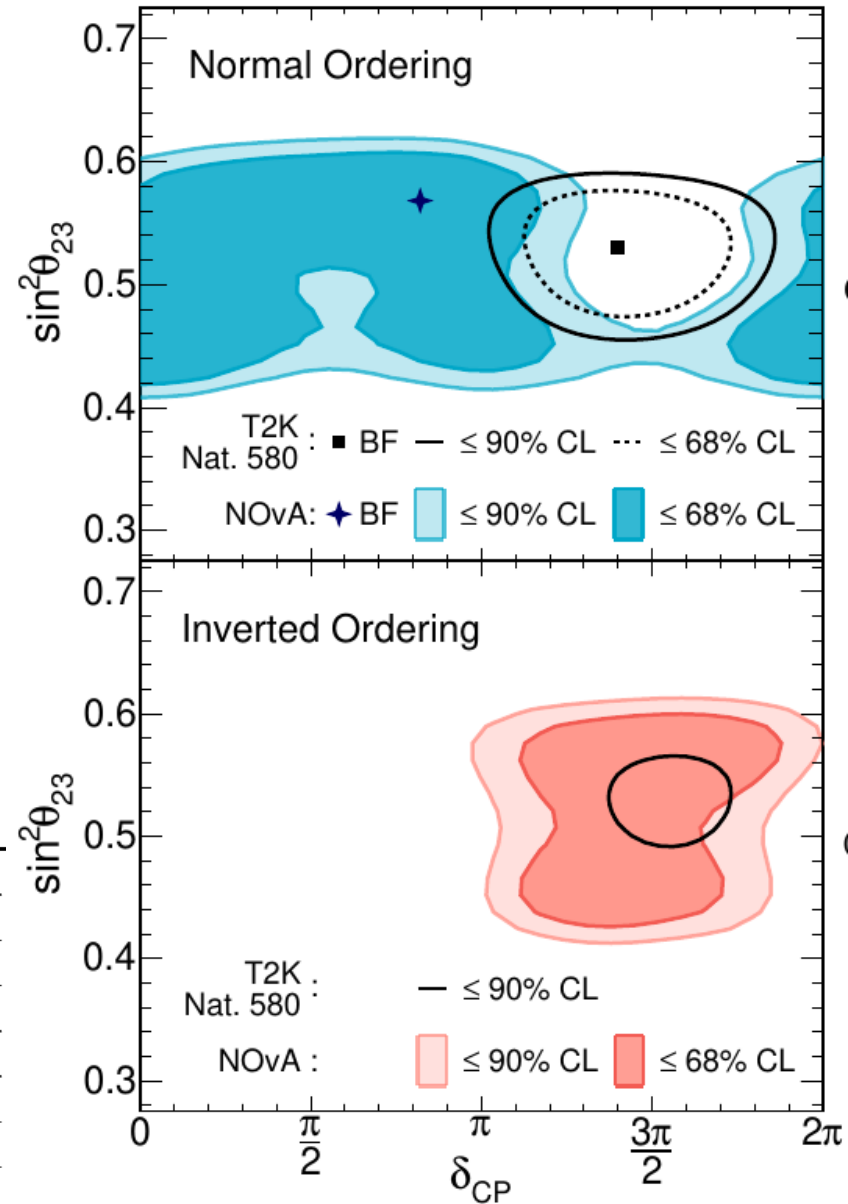
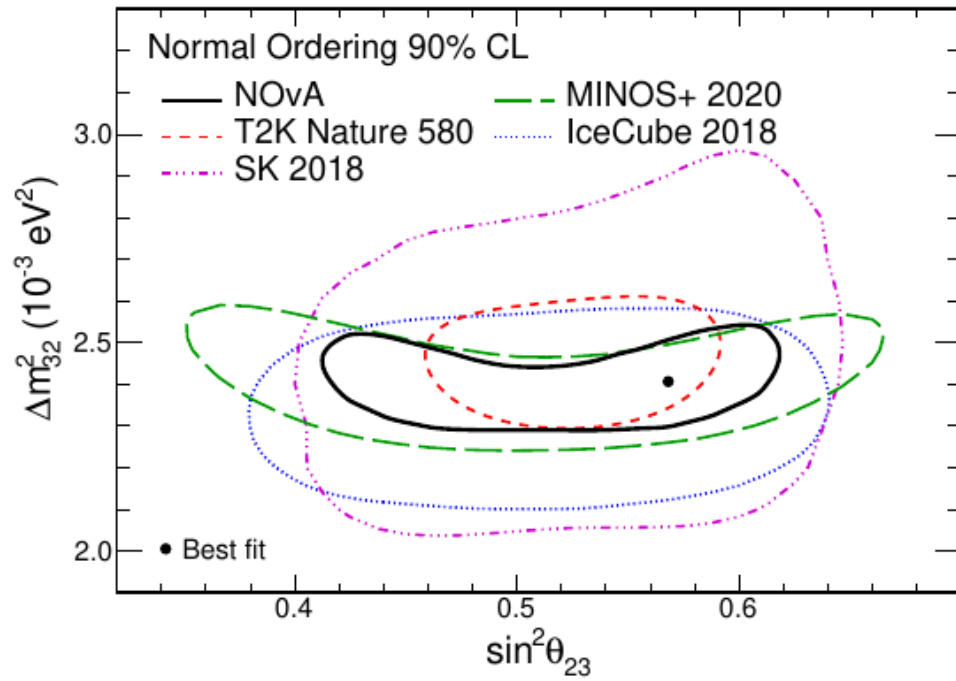
- Measurement of all the visible energy in the event to estimate the neutrino energy

# Far detector results



Fit to FD data with “ND-tuned” distribution  
 → extract measurement of oscillation parameters

# Far detector results



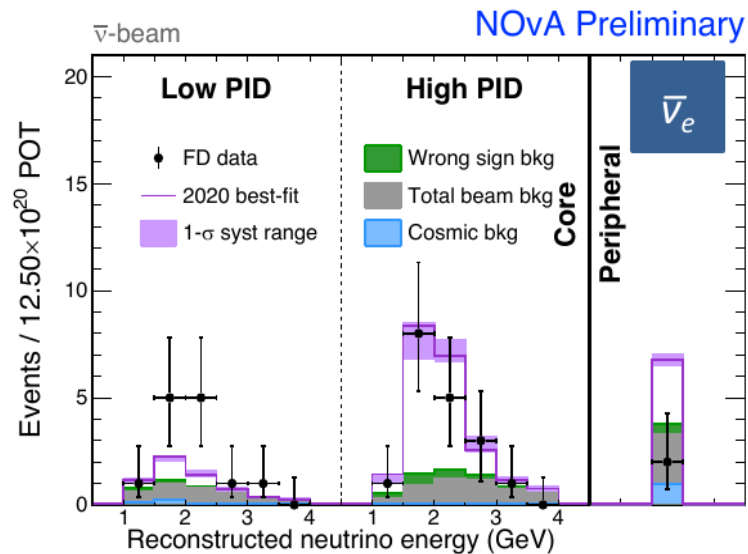
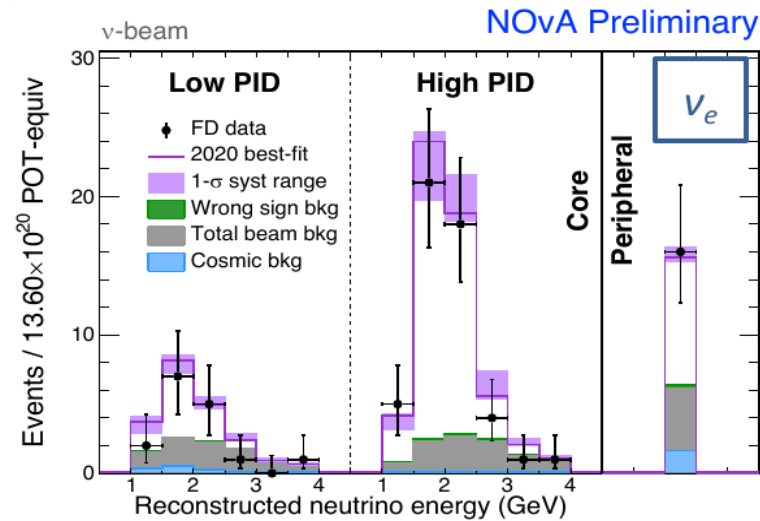
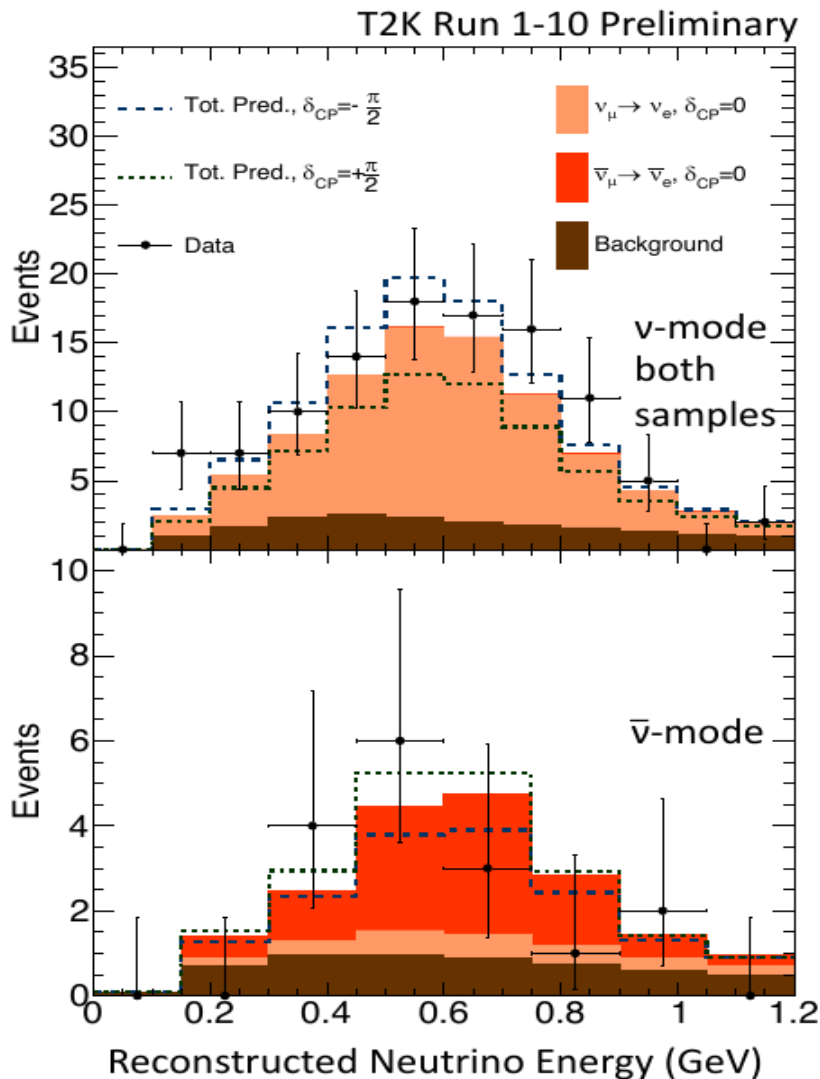
# Limitations and future challenges

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# $\delta_{CP}$ : statistically limited

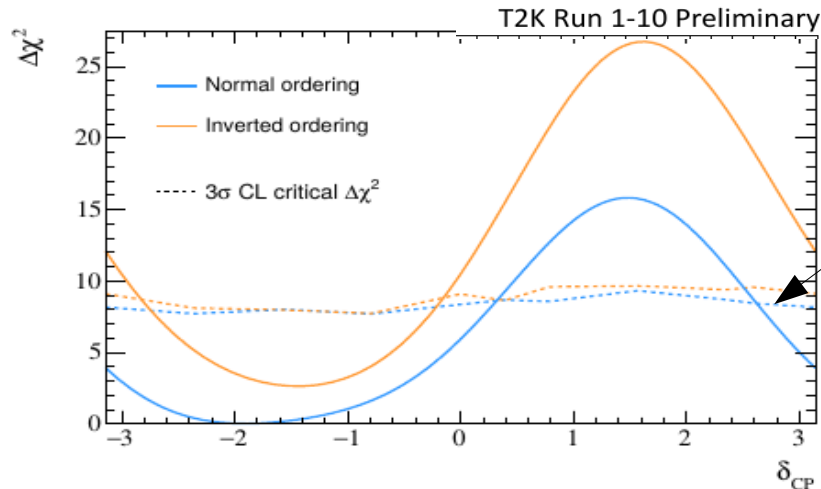
The  $\delta_{CP}$  measurements are dominated by stat uncertainty (limited number of  $\nu_e, \bar{\nu}_e$  events)

→ further data at T2K and NOVA (and next generation of experiments with more powerful beams and enlarged far detector mass)



# Statistical treatment: Fieldman Cousin

When uncertainties are not Gaussian, you cannot simply calculate  $\sigma$  as units of  $\Delta\chi^2$  (i.e. the test-statistic has not  $\chi^2$  distribution  $\rightarrow$  need to run toys over all the parameters)



For each values of true  $\delta_{CP}$   $\rightarrow$  look which  $\chi^2$  corresponds to 68%, 95% ...

How to sample nuisances?  
[In Bayesian terms: which prior on nuisances?]

**Treatment of 'nuisances' = parameters in the fit which are profiled or marginalized (e.g.  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m^2$  in plots of  $\delta_{CP}$ , MO sensitivity)**

- Near the  $\delta_{CP}$  minimum, obvious way to sample the nuisances: from data results (Asimov at best fit)
- Far from minimum (or for parameters with low sensitivity from data) is less obvious: eg, sample over nuisances distribution for Asimov at that true  $\delta_{CP}$  value?

Safe at  $3\sigma$  but what about  $>3\sigma$ ? Studies on-going

- Effect become important because of degeneracies and boundary effects
- Important effect for (future?) high stat results: in practice the region of  $5\sigma$  exclusion may change and does not scale like  $1/\sqrt{N}$ !

# Statistical treatment: prior

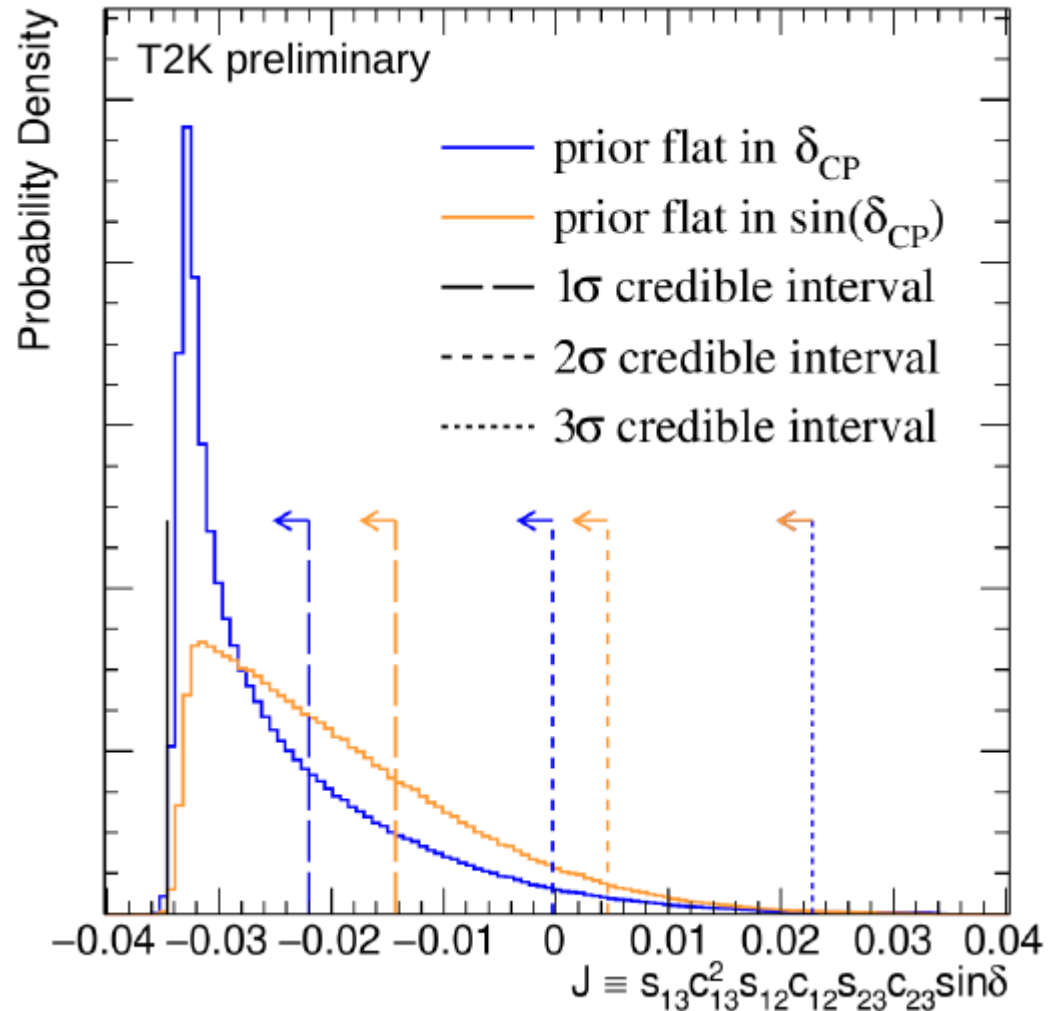
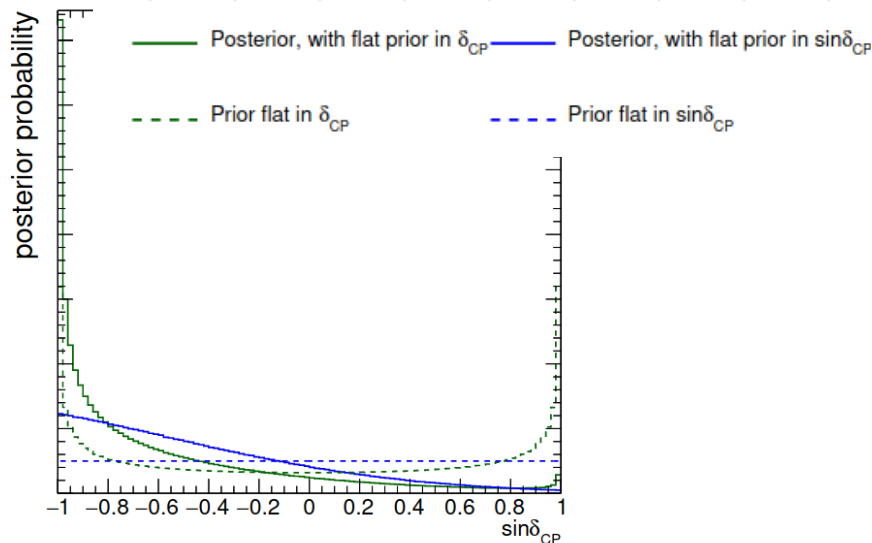
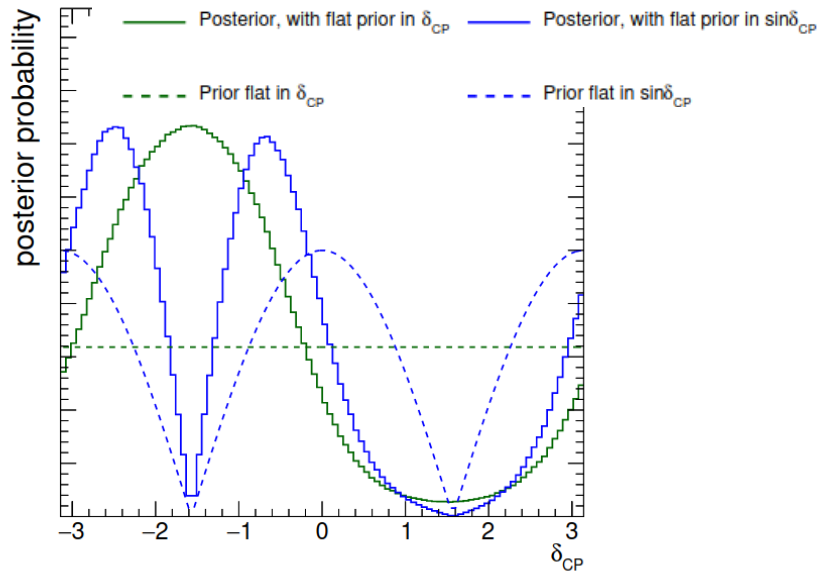
What is the 'physical parameter':

$\delta_{CP}$  or  $\sin\delta_{CP}$ ?

Is CPV  $\delta_{CP}$  not  $0, \pi$  or  $\sin\delta_{CP}$  not 0?

Different priors are possible...

CPV = sign of Jarlskog invariant  
(still **impact from prior assumption:**  
flat on  $\delta_{CP}$  or  $\sin\delta_{CP}$ ?)

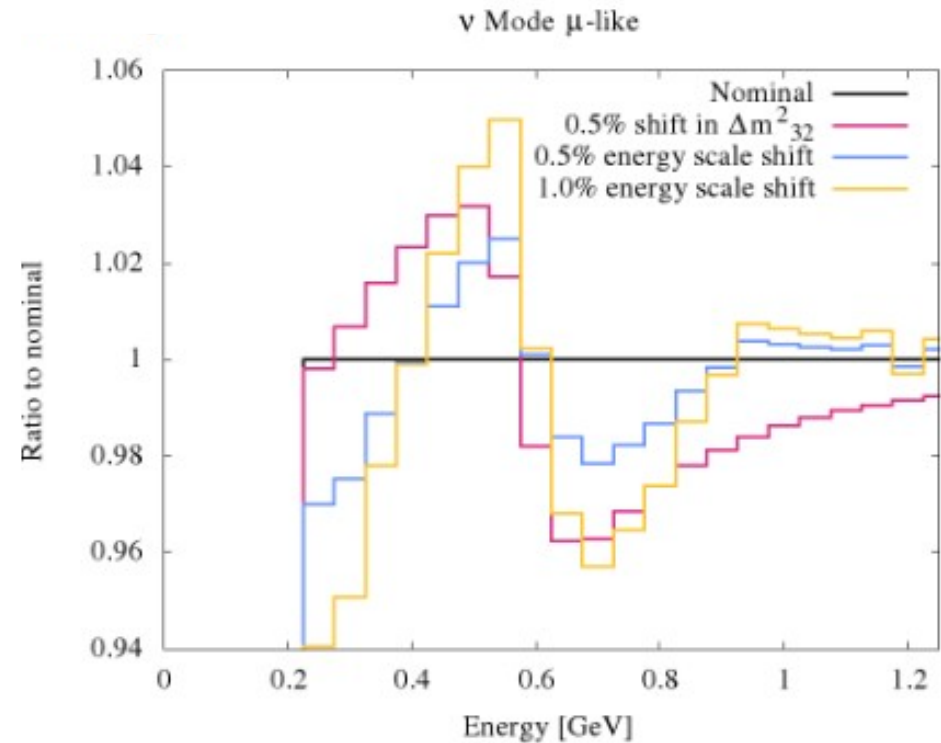
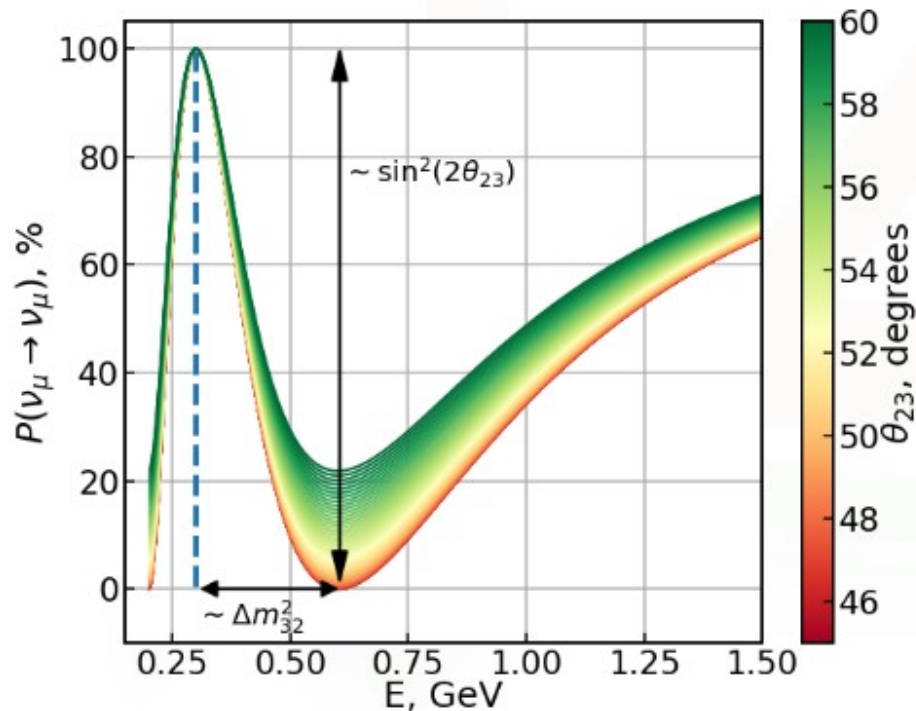




# Impact of systematics will hit first in $\nu_\mu$ disappearance

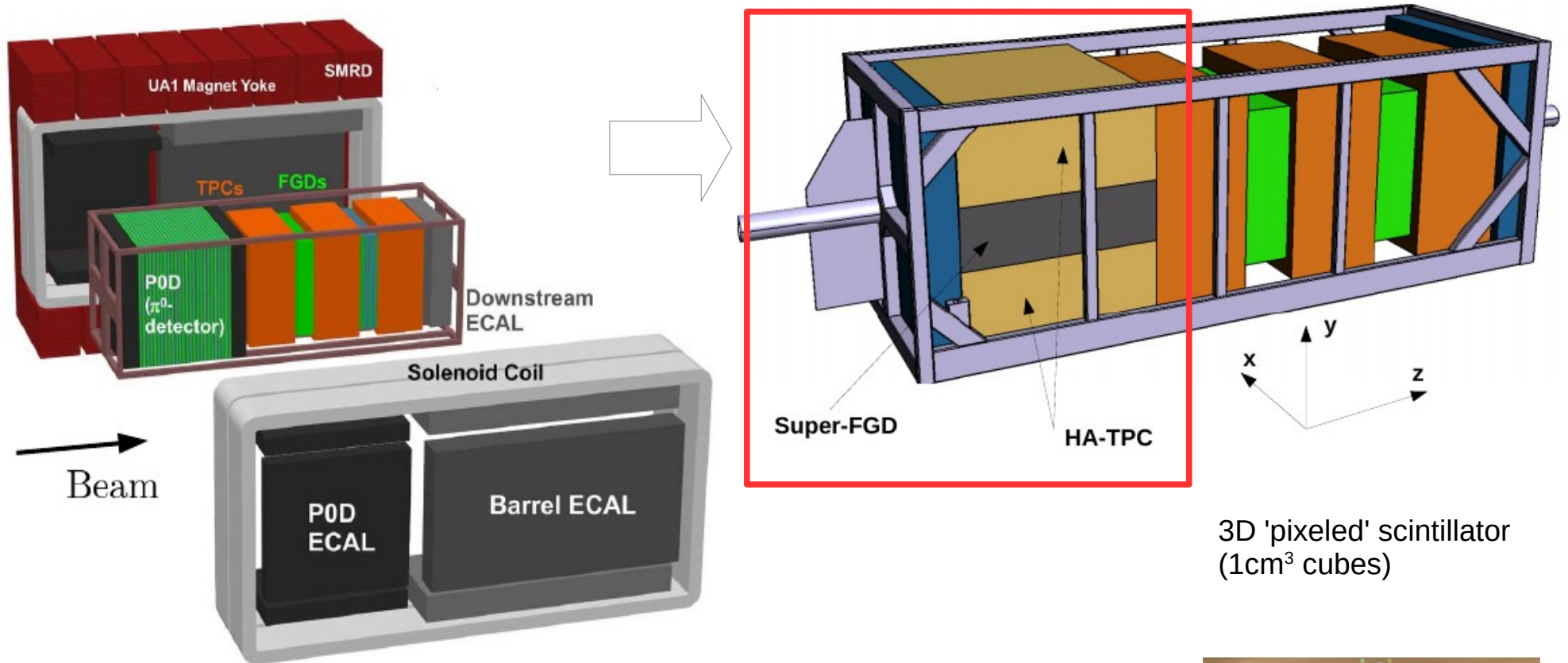
As already discussed yesterday:

- precision  $\sin\theta_{23}$  requires precision on **neutrino rate** at oscillation maximum
- precision on  **$|\Delta m^2_{31(32)}|$**  requires precise **neutrino energy reconstruction**

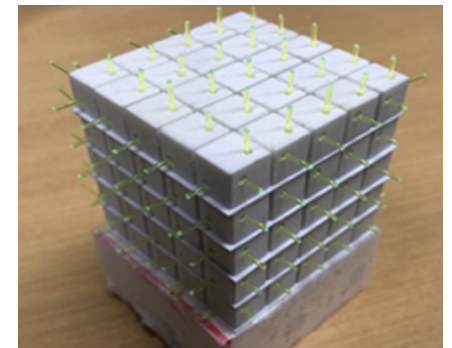


Need **improved flux and xsec models** (and tuning: NA61, Minerva, ...) and **improved near detectors** to better constrain model, notably for precise reconstruction of full final state  
→ improved neutrino energy reconstruction

# ND280 → ND280 upgrade

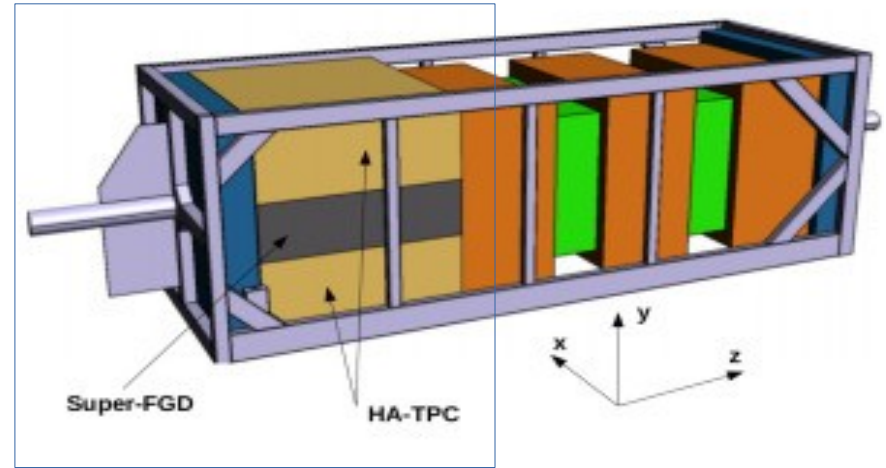
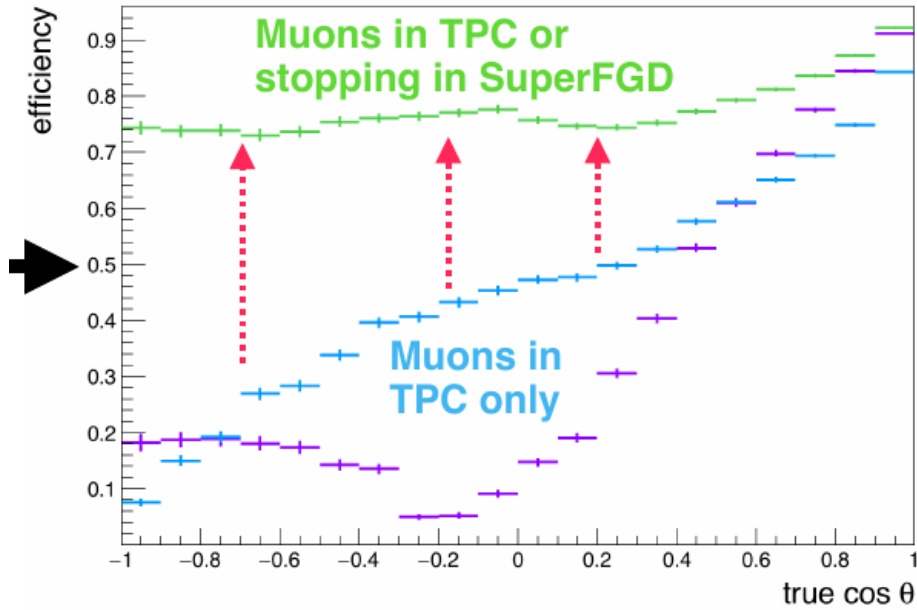


- **New target** with much lower threshold for track reconstruction ( $p, \pi$ )
- **High angle TPCs with resistive Micromegas:** coverage at high angle and improved momentum resolution
- Scintillator planes all around the **new detectors** for **Time of Flight measurement of charged particles**

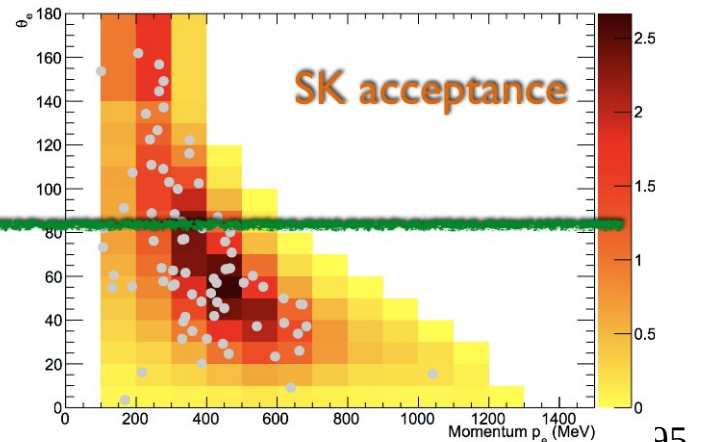
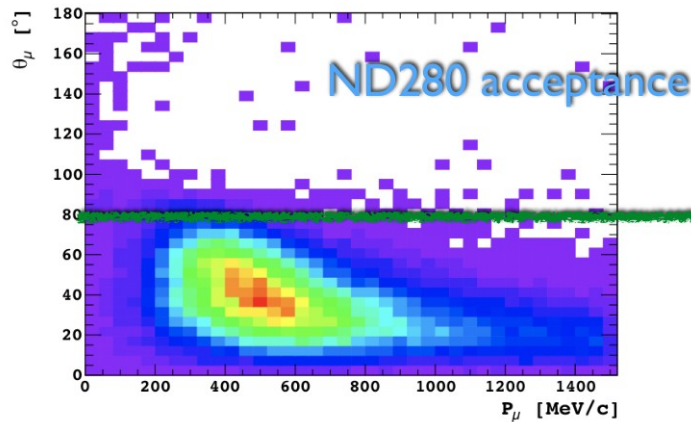
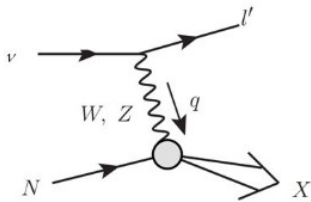


# ND280 upgrade

- larger statistics from new target + improved angular acceptance



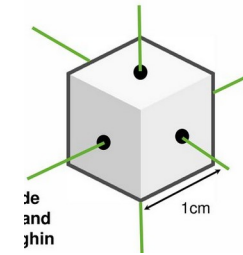
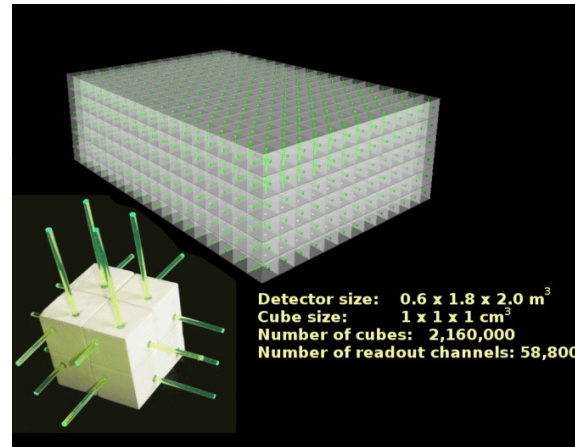
Leptons at larger angle correspond to more inelastic events



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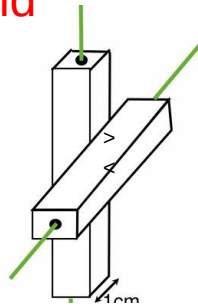
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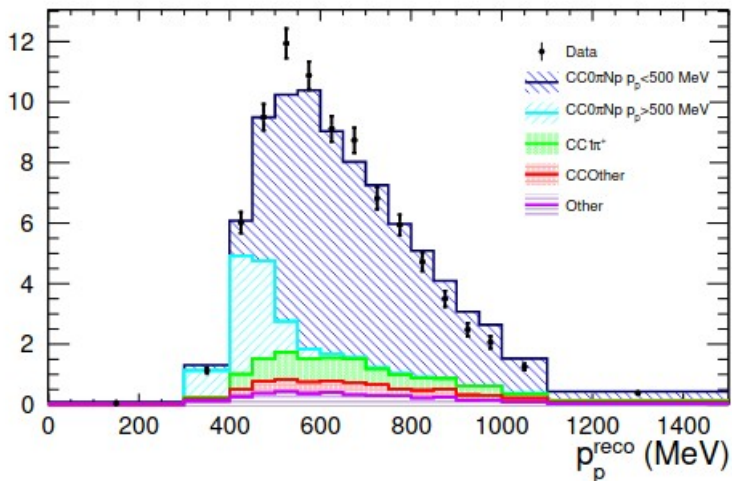


New '3D' scintillating detector

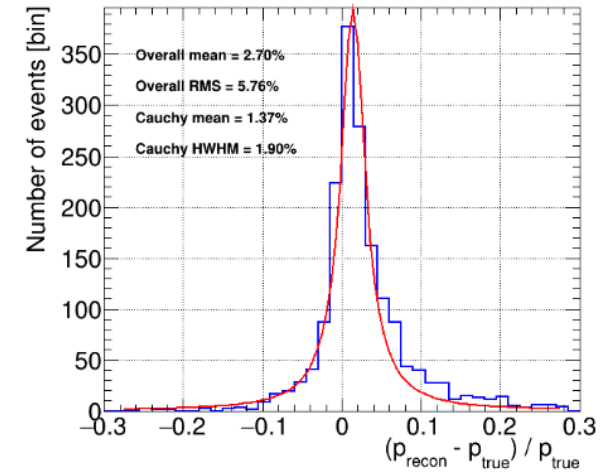
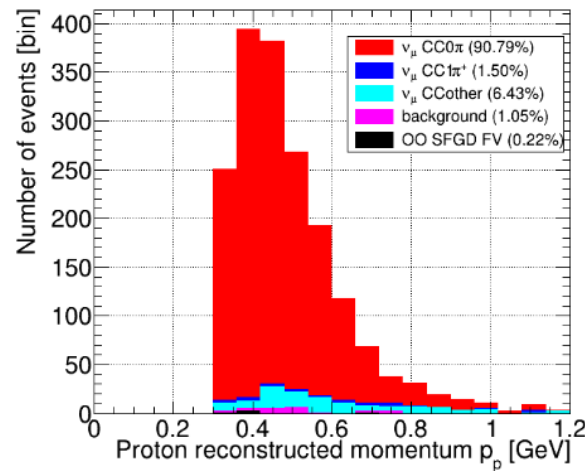
ND280 FGDs are '2D' scintillating detectors



ND280 measurement



ND280 upgrade ( $\nu$  MC):

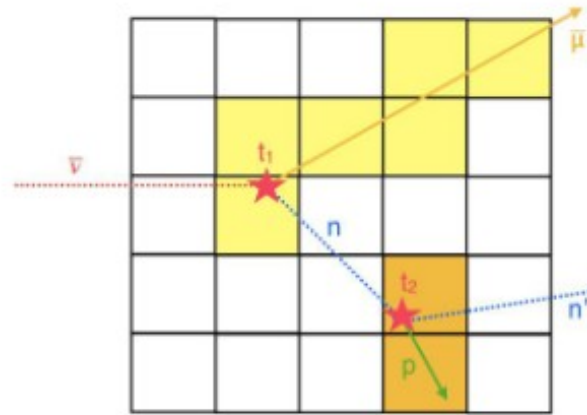


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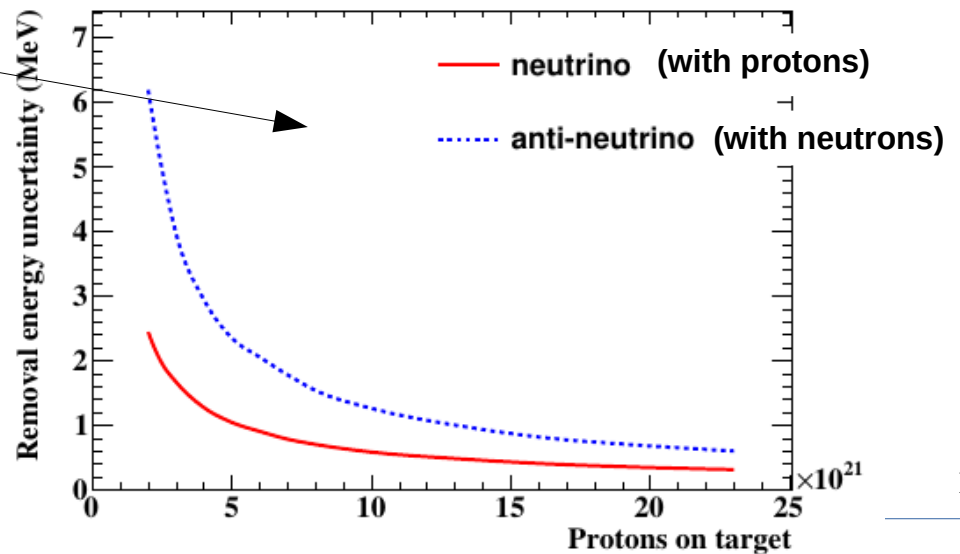
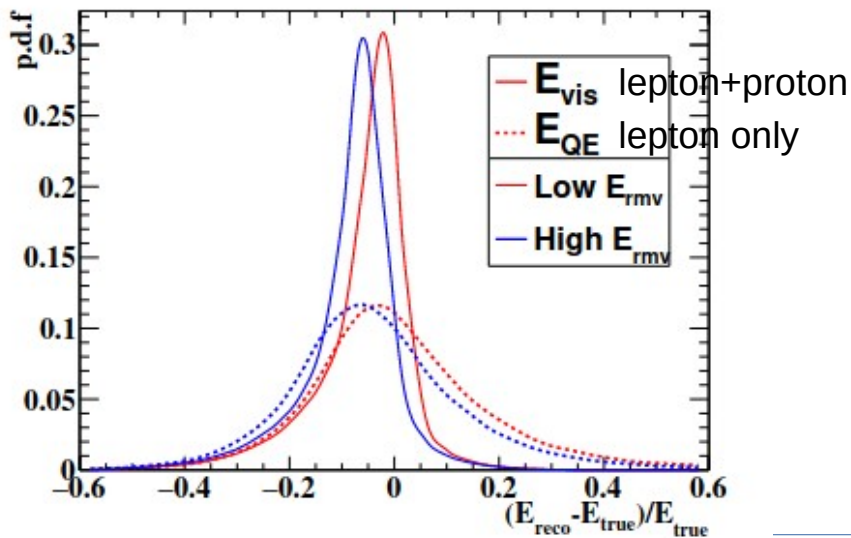
New analysis features are also preparing the road to the analysis of ND280 upgrade data:

- larger statistics from new target + improved angular acceptance
- proton kinematics measurement down to low momentum threshold
- neutron measurement event-by-event: NEW!!!

Time-of-flight technique



New generation of near detectors/analyses : full **exclusive reconstruction of final state for best neutrino energy 'reconstruction'** from outgoing interaction particles



# Last remarks

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**Change of gear: from statistically dominated experiments to precision physics.** Transition is happening in the next few years with T2K new runs (after beam and ND280 upgrade) and future NOVA runs.

The **role of T2K and NOVA** is similar to LEP to open the road to LHC:

- establish analysis strategies and best detector design (notably in terms of ND)
- some  $\sim 3\sigma$  (or more) indication for CPV and MH can already happen in next future from combination of experiments, including JUNO and ORCA

**If we want to build a safe path to  $5\sigma$  results for next generation of experiments (DUNE and HK), the work to do is still long:  
we need to validating our model with better precisions with T2K and NOVA data.**

If we had today the huge flow of data expected for next generation, we would be very soon limited by systematic uncertainty...

# Systematics

- Crucial role of Near Detectors:

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ND measures rate vs neutrino energy

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~same flux at ND and FD

what we want to measure:  
oscillation probability

cross-section must be extrapolated from ND to FD (different neutrino energy distribution)  
→ need good neutrino energy reconstruction and good nuclear model

- Important systematics for  $d_{CP}$  (MH):

- **difference between  $n$  and  $\bar{n}$  (xsec and flux)**

Notably, “wrong sign” background:  $n$  in  $\bar{n}$  mode ( $p^+$  focused beam)

- $\bar{\nu}_e$  **intrinsic background**:  $\bar{\nu}_e$  produced in the beam by  $K / p \rightarrow m$  decays

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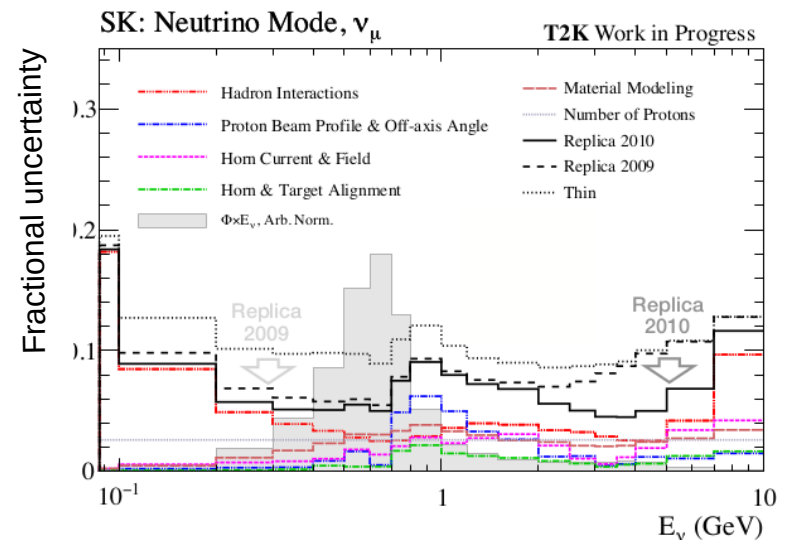
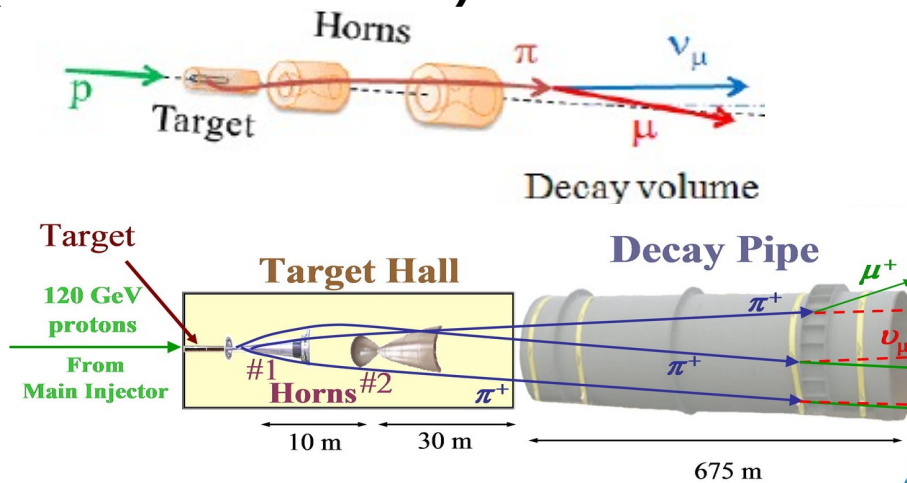
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## Flux simulation and tuning (NA61/SHINE + MIPP)





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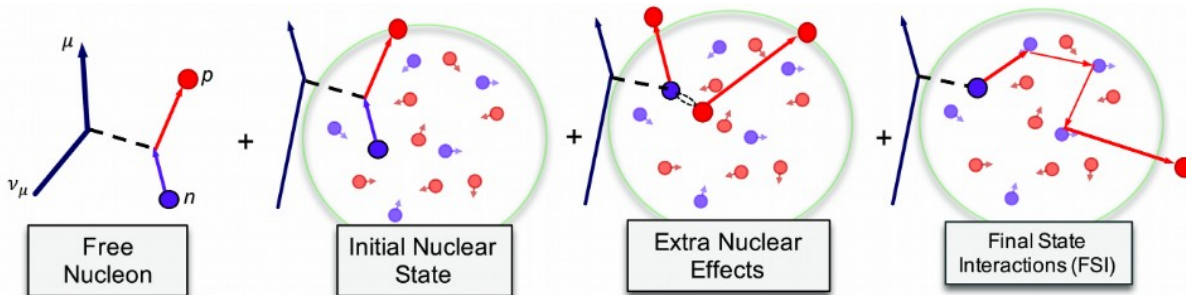
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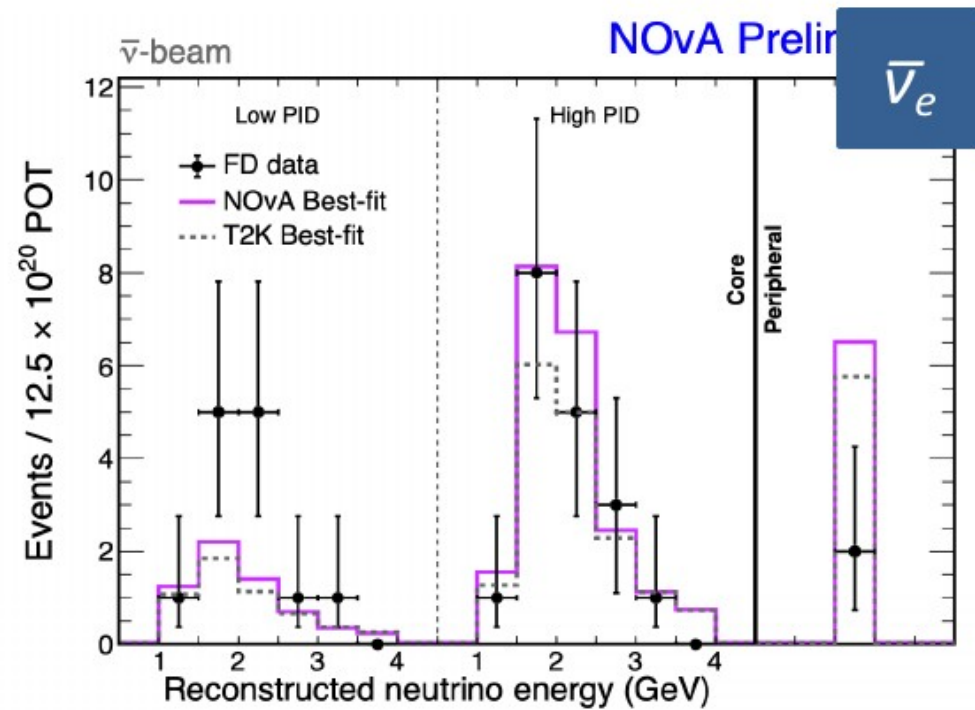
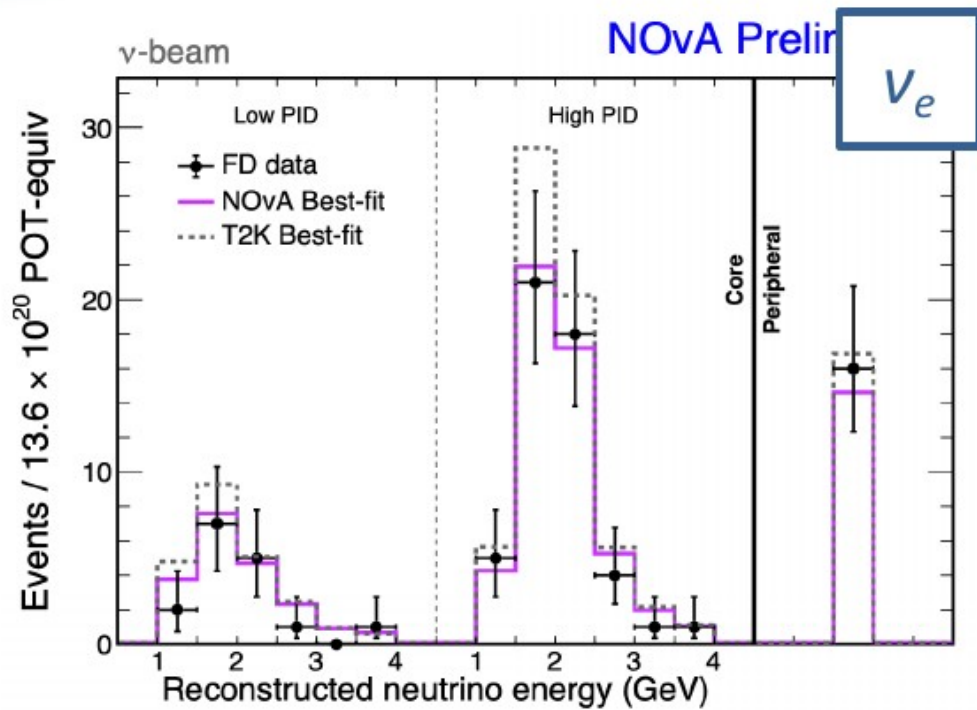


- Nuclear theory
- External data (eg e-scattering)
- $\nu$ -nucleus xsec measurements at near detectors and dedicated experiments (Minerva, ArgoNeuT, ..)

(and similarly for pion(s) production)

→ **fundamentally the name of the game: precise  $E_{\nu}$  reconstruction**

# ~~Conclusions~~ → Stay tuned for more data!



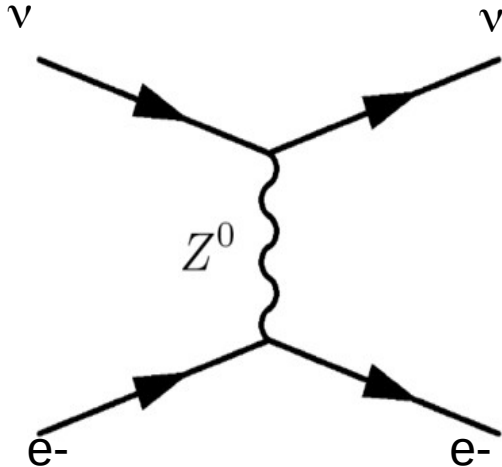
- Still in  $n_e / \bar{n}_e$  (so  $d_{CP}$  measurements) the **statistic uncertainties at the far detector is dominant over the systematics**

- The **model of systematics is extremely different in T2K and NOVA and their impact and treatment is extremely different**

- The evaluation of systematics is the big challenge for the next years: **T2K and NOVA are crucial to open the road to higher-statistics future LBL**

# Further constraint from the ND (2)

One nice exception: a cross-section which we know very well (no nuclear effects!)

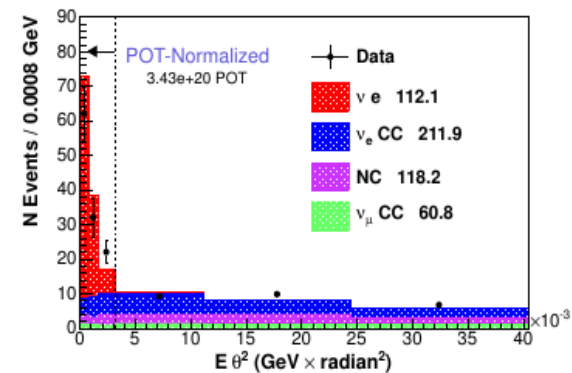
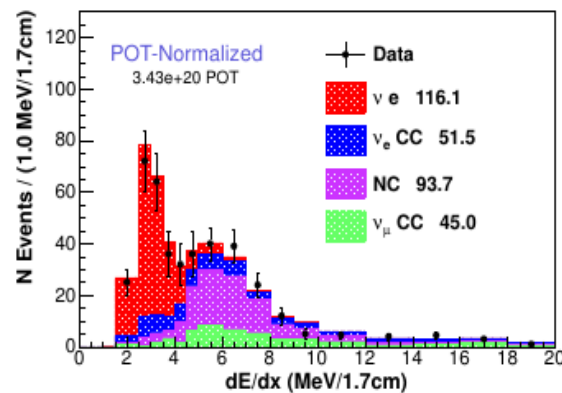
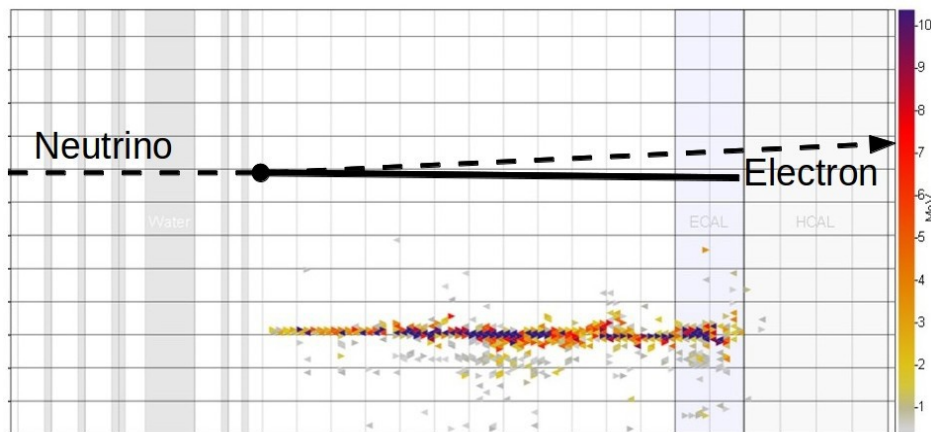


## Neutrino scattering on electrons:

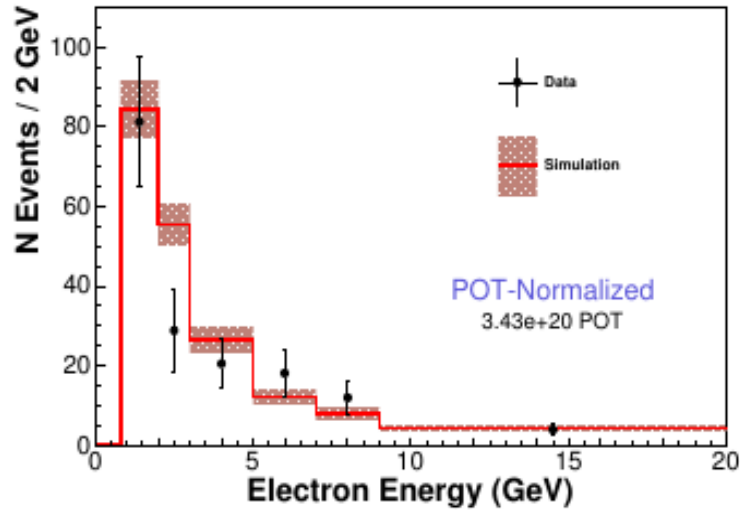
simple electroweak Neutral Current process for  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$ ,  
(some Neutral Current – Charged Current interference for  $\nu_e$ )

Difficulties: **very small xsec** ( $10^{-4}$  wrt to total CC  $\nu$  interaction)  
**large backgrounds** from  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $\nu_e$  CC

Minerva: clever cuts on electron ID and kinematics (forward electrons)

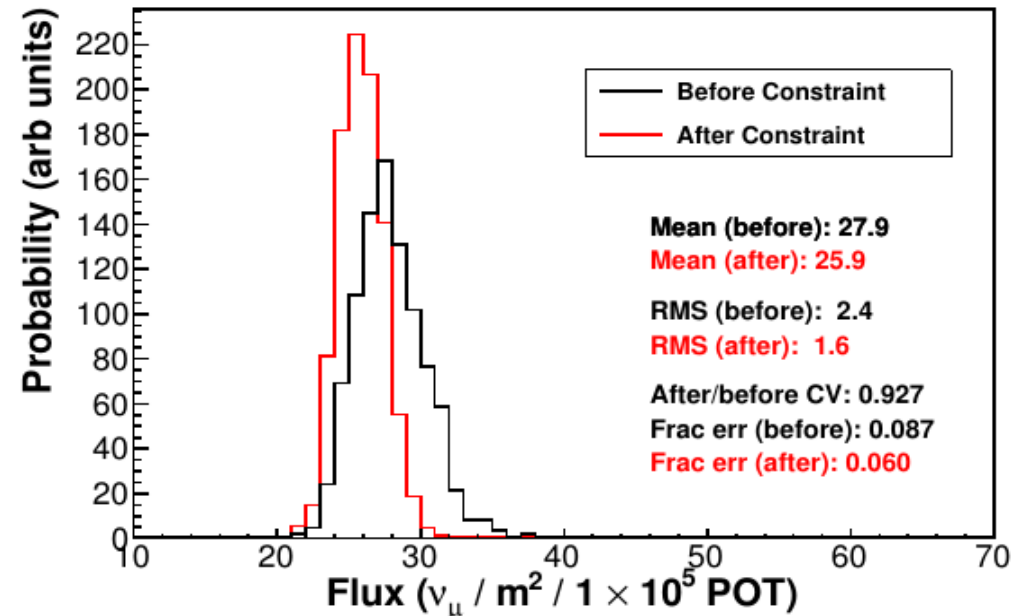
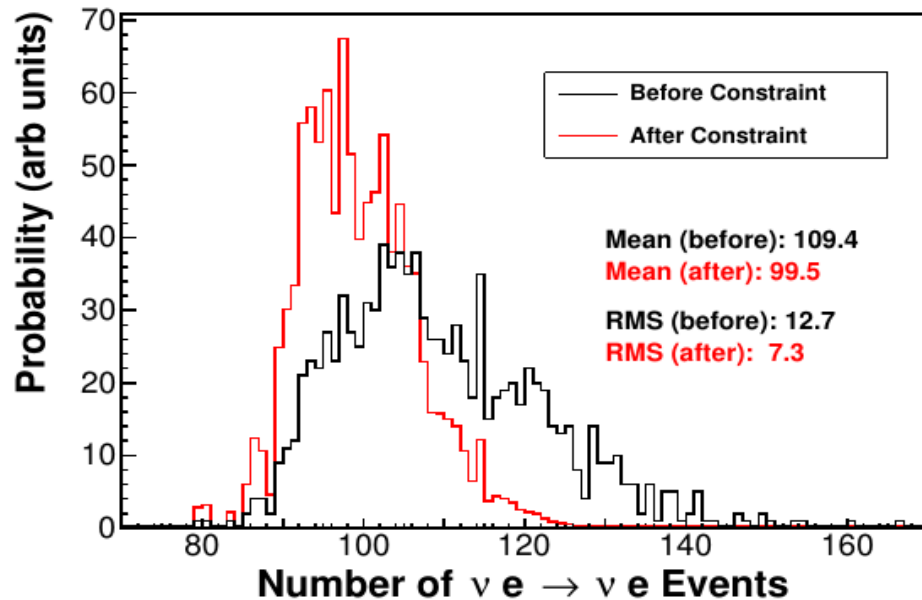


# Constraints from $\nu$ -e scattering



Flux uncertainty is larger than the uncertainty on the measurement (stat.+syst)  $\rightarrow$  can be used to constrain the flux

10% stat + 5-10% syst  $\rightarrow$  prospects for high precision with future high intensity beams and large near detectors



# Constraints from low- $\nu$ method

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\nu,\bar{\nu}}}{d\nu} = A\left(1 + \frac{B^{\nu,\bar{\nu}}}{A} \frac{\nu}{E} - \frac{C^{\nu,\bar{\nu}}}{A} \frac{\nu^2}{2E^2}\right)$$

$\nu$  = energy transferred to the nucleus

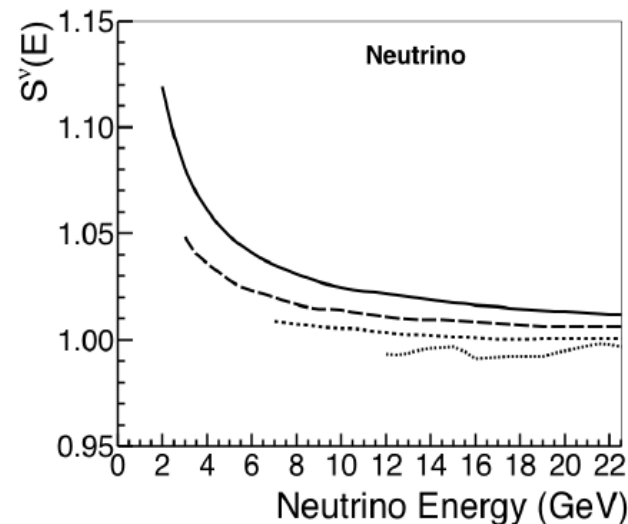
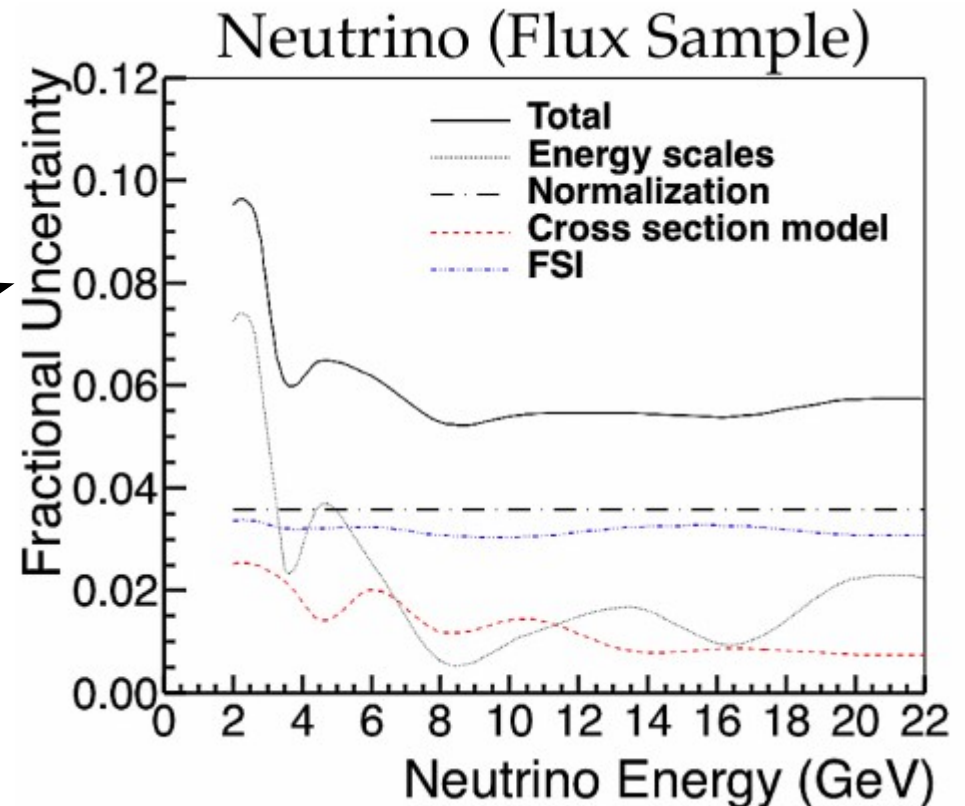
In the limit of  $\nu \rightarrow 0$  the xsec does not depend on  $E\nu$

→ event rate at low  $\nu$  can be used to constraint the flux shape as a function of  $E\nu$

Limitations:

- difficult to reconstruct the energy transferred to the nucleus: look at energy deposits around the vertex (vertex activity) → correct for neutrons and invisible energy (nuclear excitation, binding energy) below threshold
- flux normalization cannot be constrained
- independence on  $E\nu$  is an approximation → need to correct with xsec models:

$$S^{\nu}(\bar{\nu})(\nu_0, E) = \frac{\sigma^{\nu}(\bar{\nu})(\nu < \nu_0, E)}{\sigma^{\nu}(\bar{\nu})(\nu < \nu_0, E \rightarrow \infty)}$$



# Non standard beams and fluxes

**Pion decay at rest (DAR)** in contrast to standard pion decay in flight (DIF)



well known energy of neutrinos

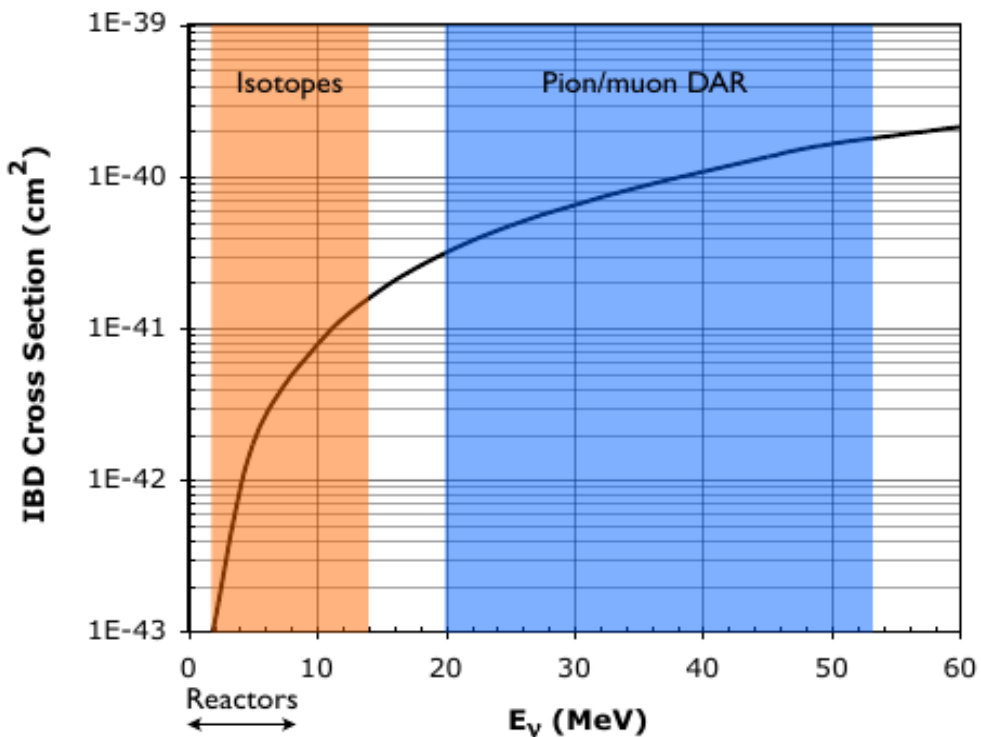
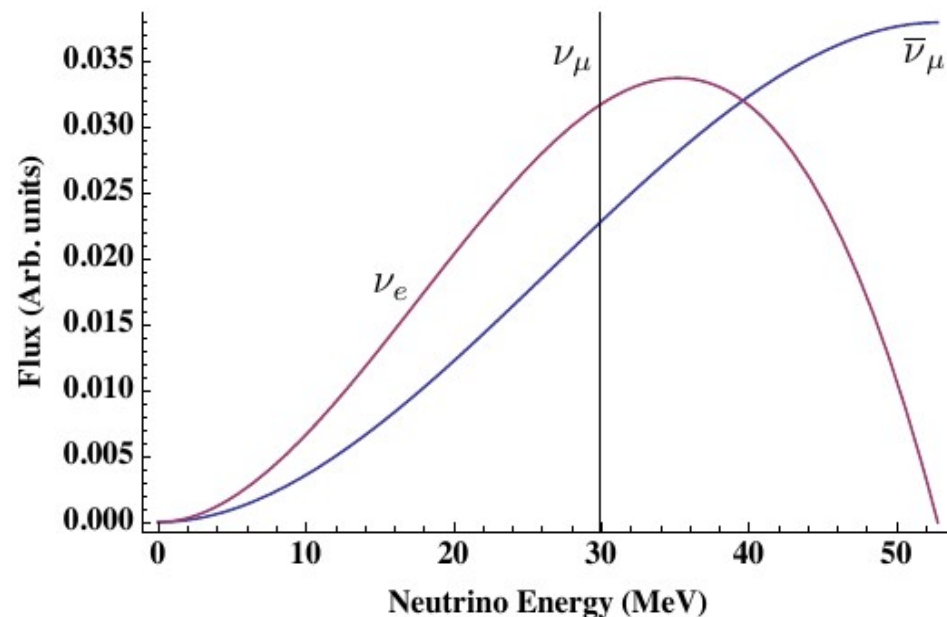


low energy  $\rightarrow$  well known cross-section: IBD ( $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ n$ ) and  $\nu$ -e elastic scattering



low energy  $\rightarrow$  very low xsec need VERY intense sources

Low energy protons (eg from cyclotron) impinging on target surrounded by absorber to avoid DIF

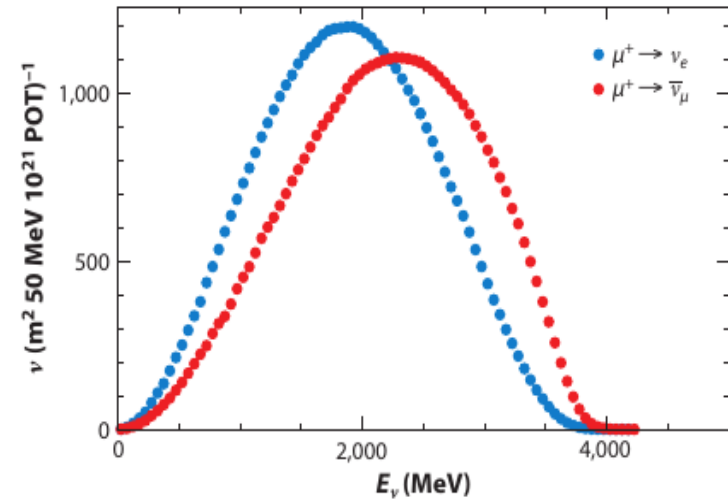


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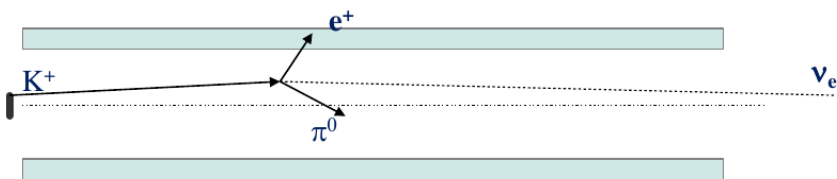
- **Neutrinos from Stored Muons (nuSTORM):** beams from the decay of 3.8 GeV muons confined within a storage ring

😊 well known energy of neutrinos

😊 large  $\nu_e$  statistics



- **Monitor the production of electrons** in standard  $\nu$  beam: uncertainty on  $\nu_e$  flux improved by one order of magnitude



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