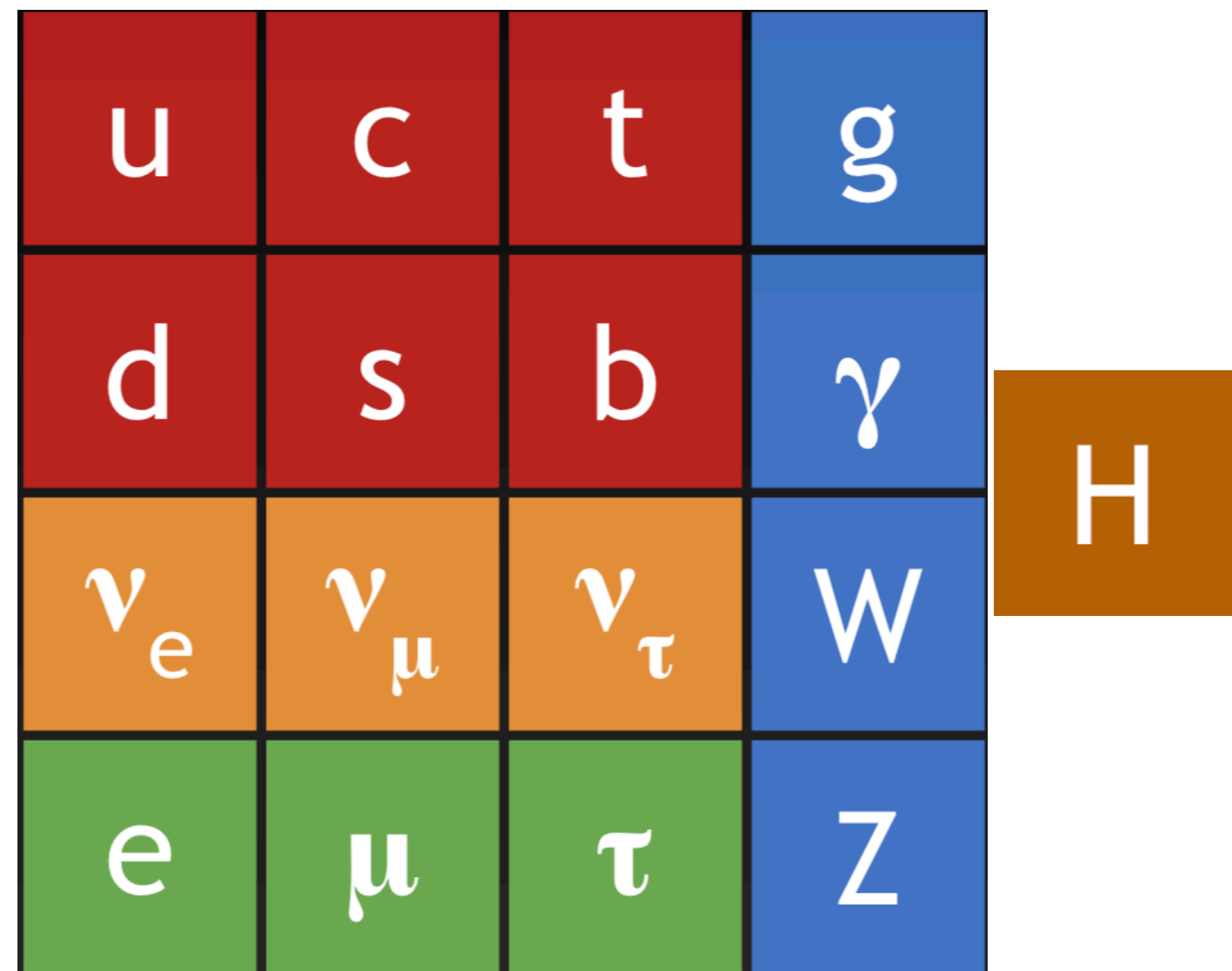


Near Detectors for precision measurements of neutrino oscillation parameters with T2K and Hyper-K

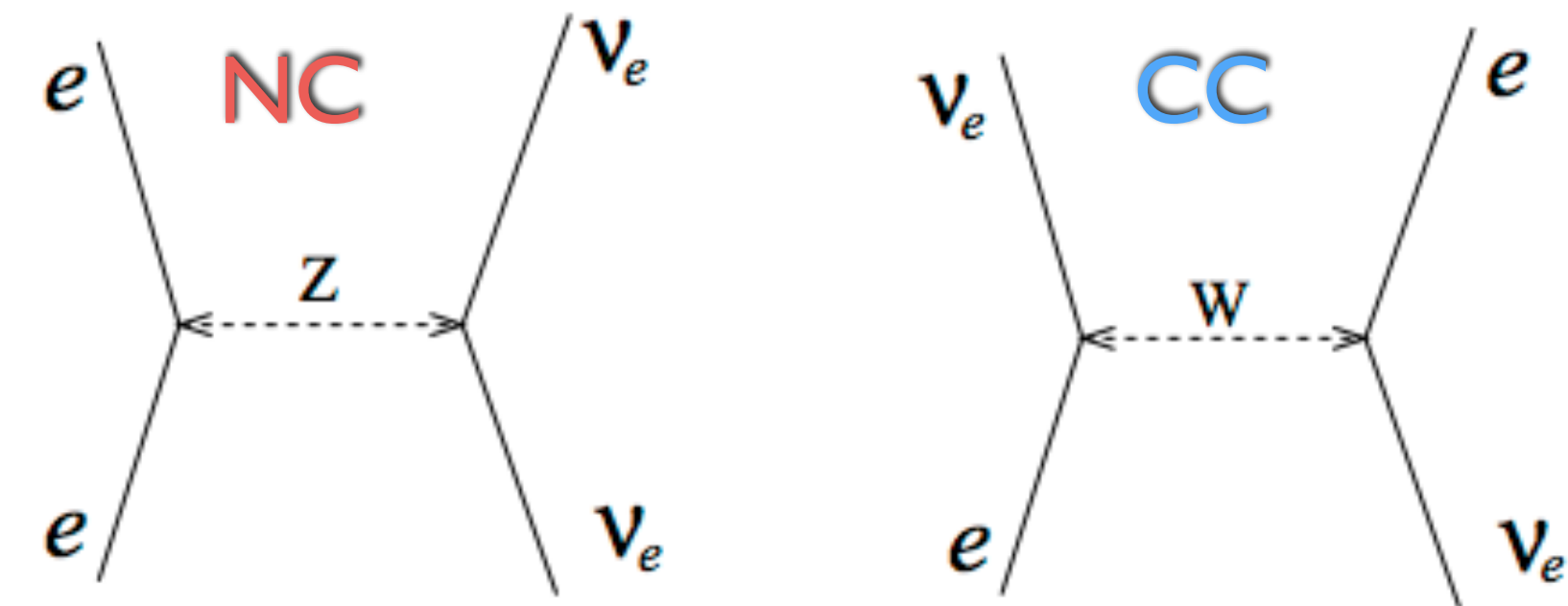
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Neutrinos in the SM

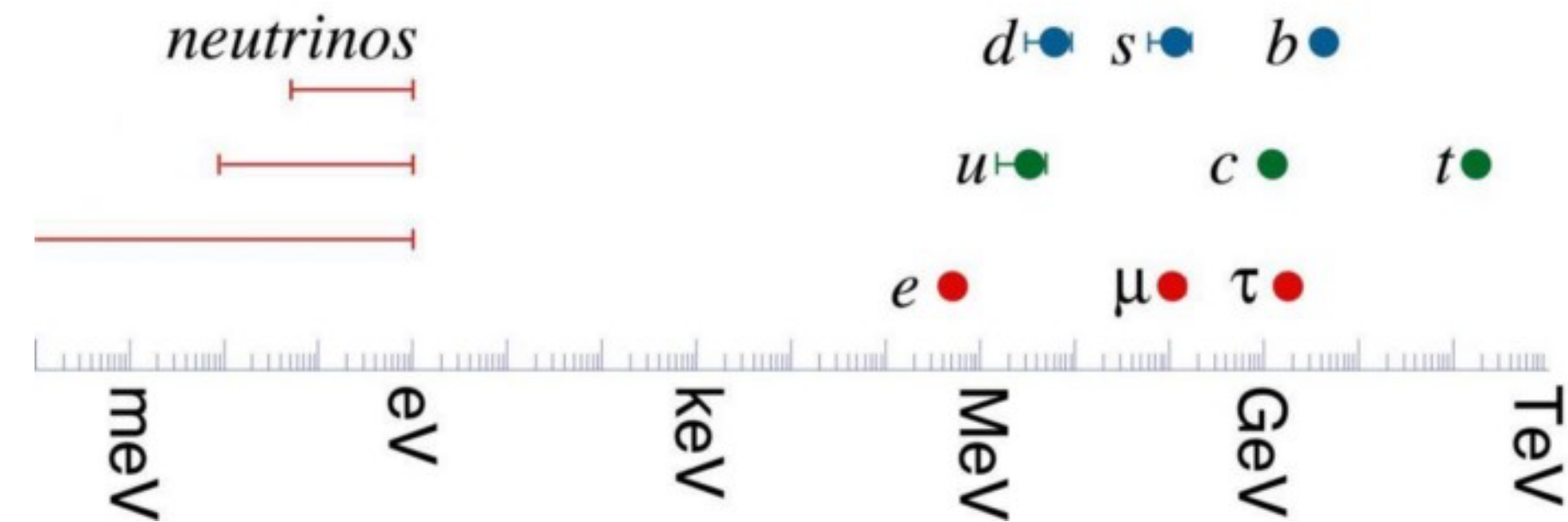


Neutrinos are standard model particles \rightarrow neutral cousin of the electron and of the other charged leptons



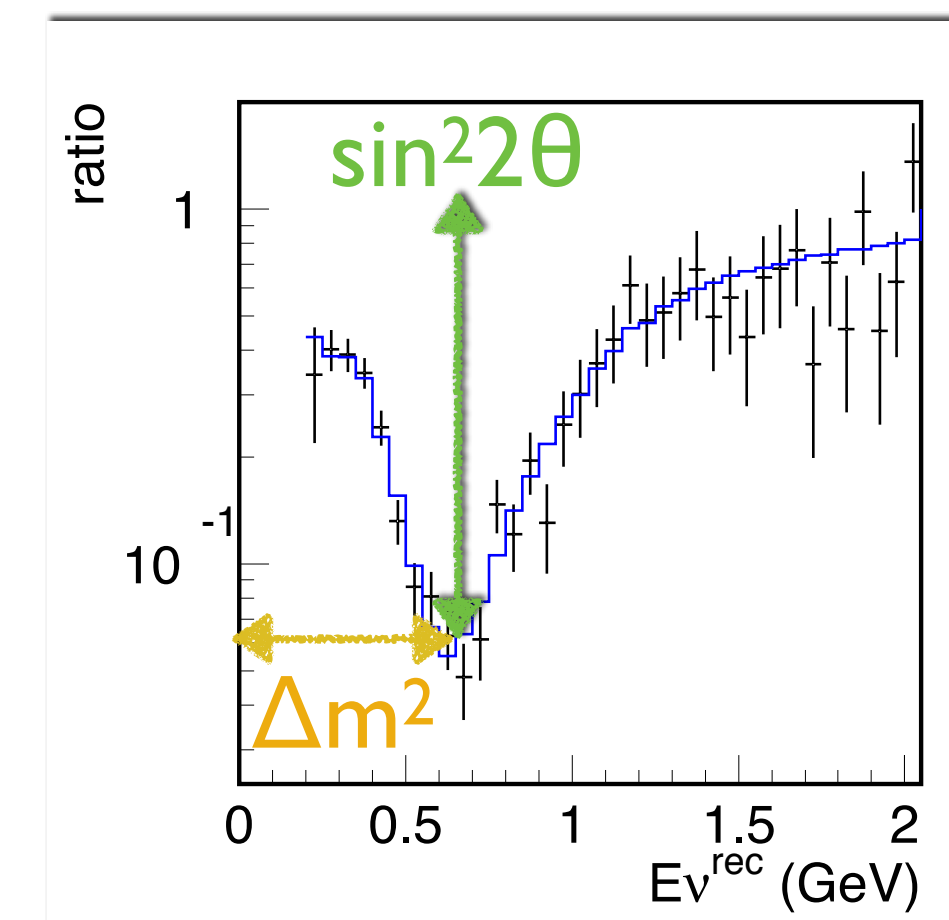
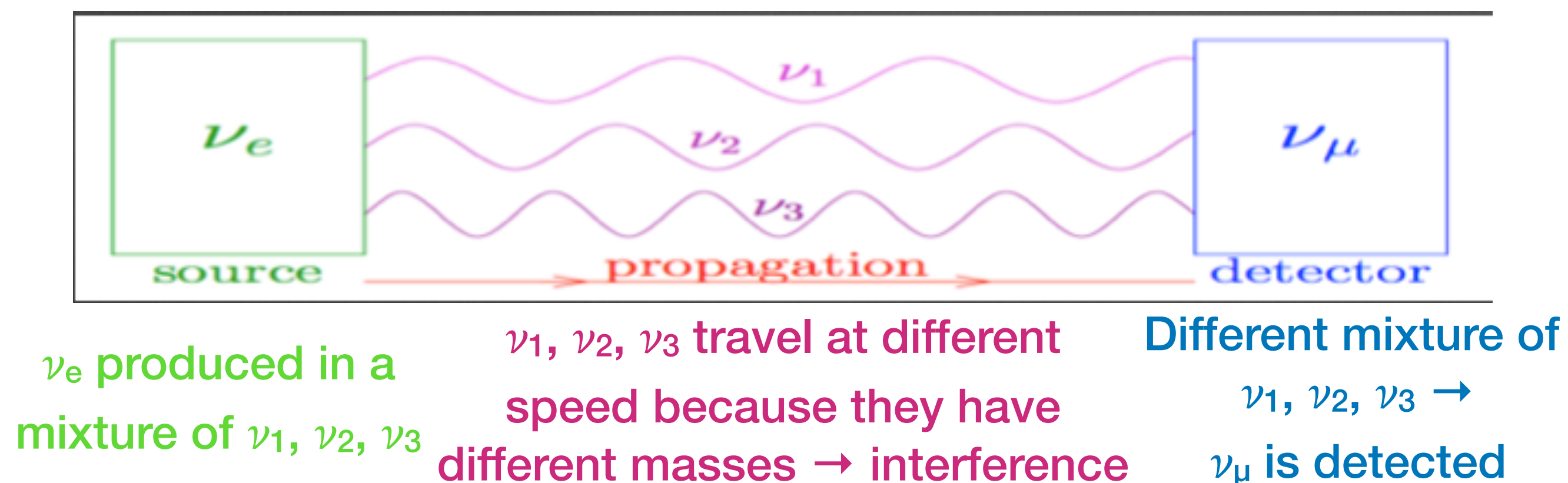
They interact only through weak interactions \rightarrow Neutral current or Charged current

In the Standard Model neutrinos are massless particles



Neutrino oscillations

- First introduced by Bruno Pontecorvo in 1957
- Neutrinos are produced in flavor eigenstates (ν_μ, ν_e, ν_τ) that are linear combination of mass eigenstates (ν_1, ν_2, ν_3)
- Neutrino propagate as mass eigenstates
- At the detection a flavor eigenstate is detected \rightarrow it can be different from the one that was produced

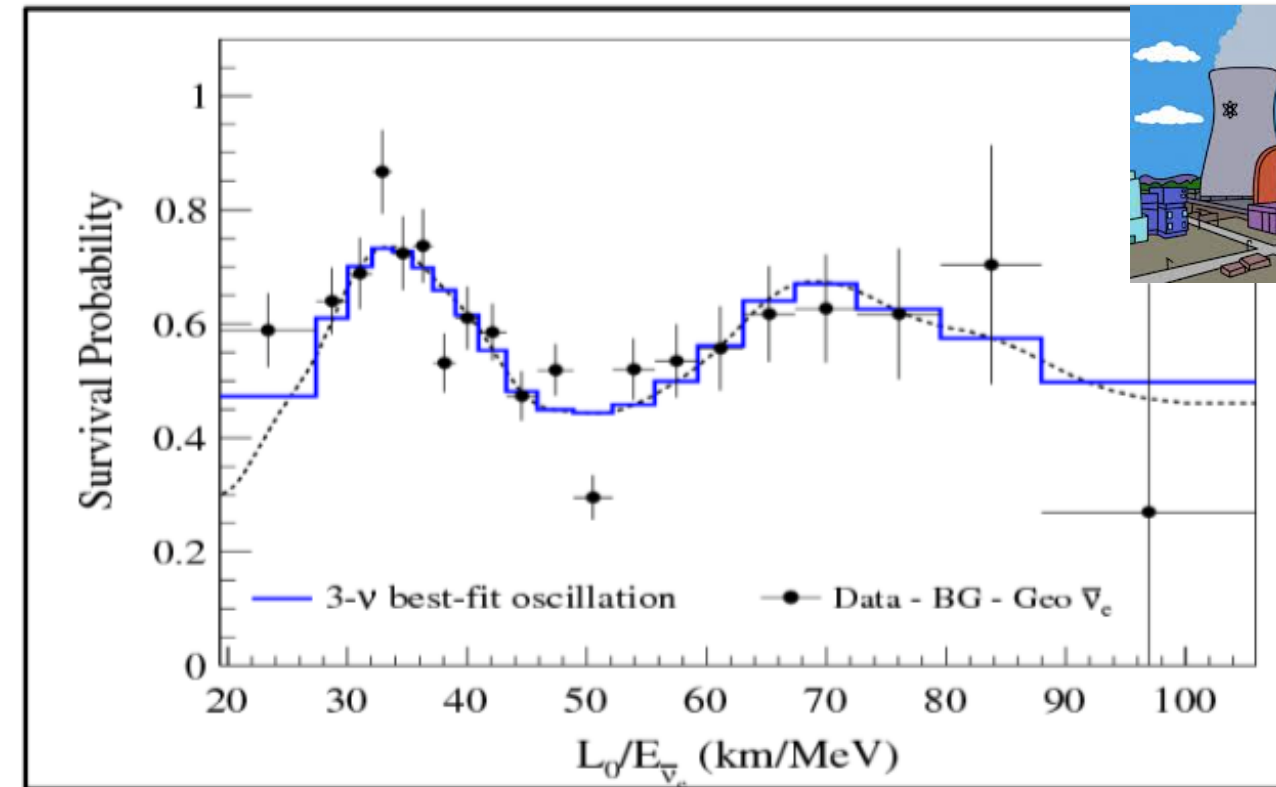


Neutrino oscillation implies massive neutrinos

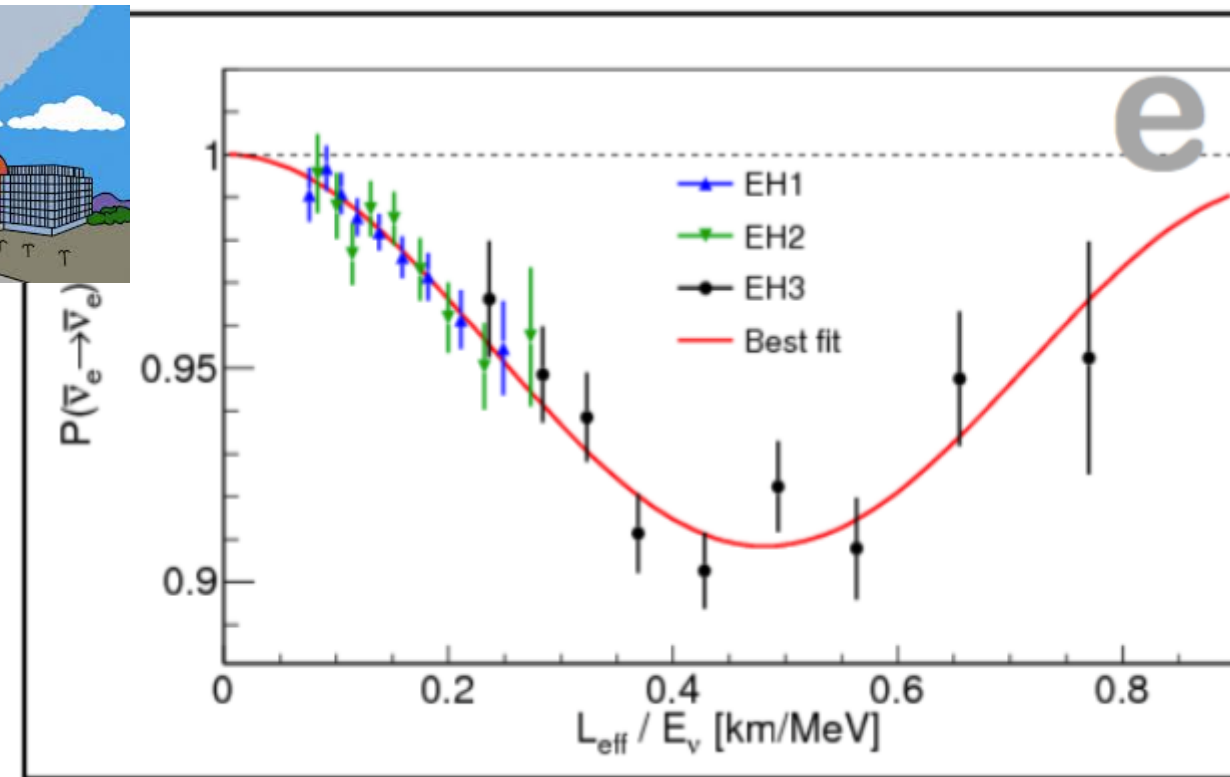
$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2(\Delta m_{12}^2 L / E)$$

Neutrino oscillations

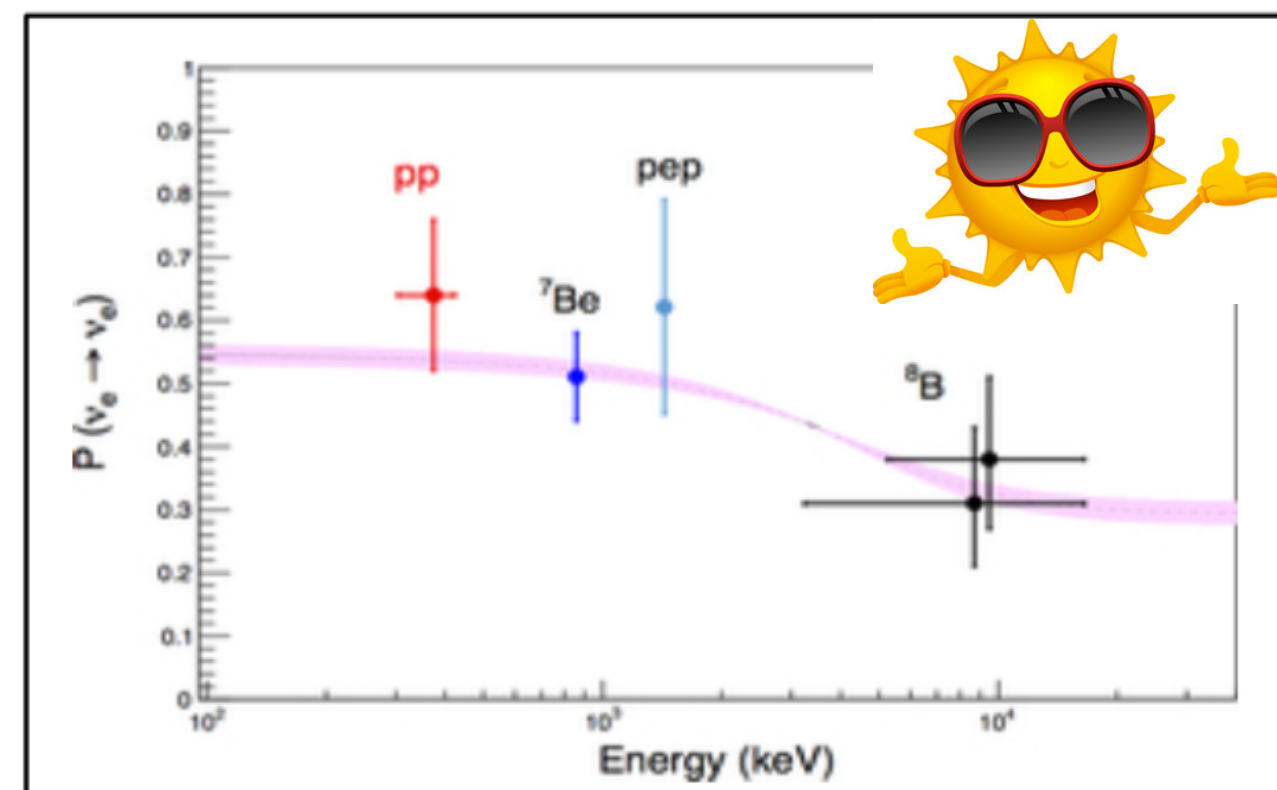
$e \rightarrow e$ ($\delta m^2, \theta_{12}$)



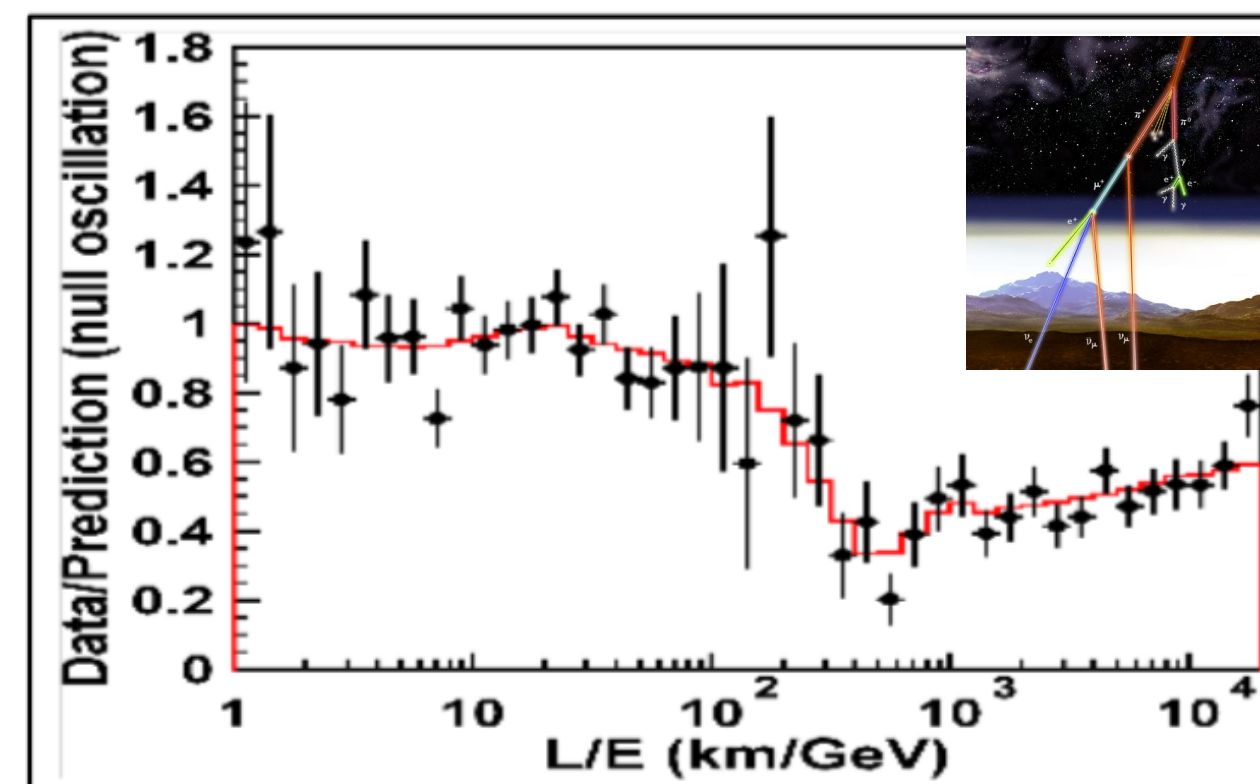
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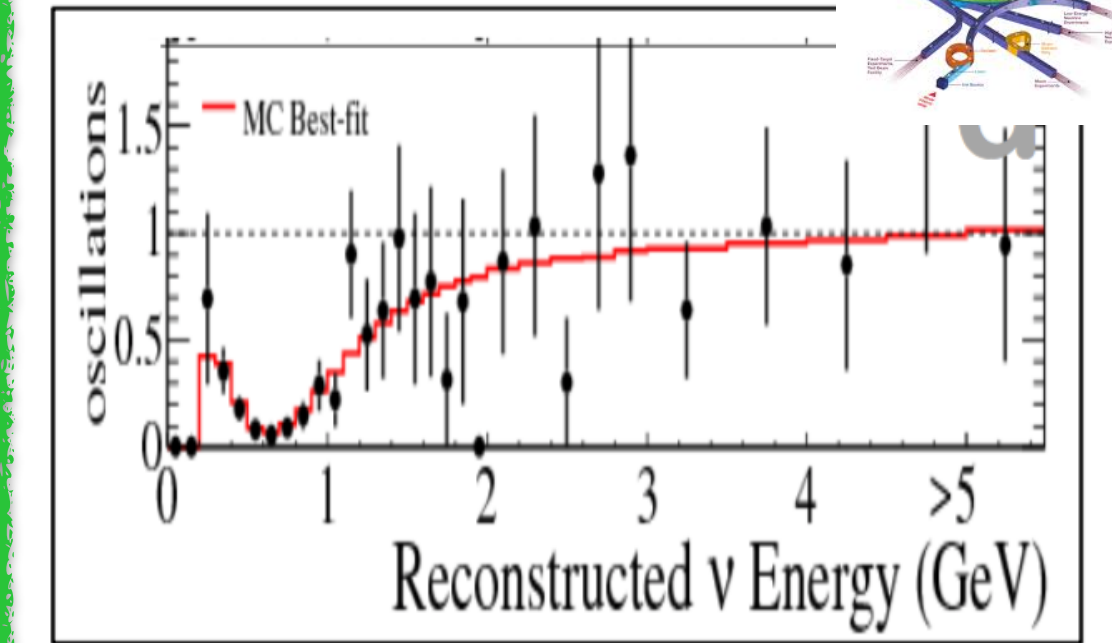
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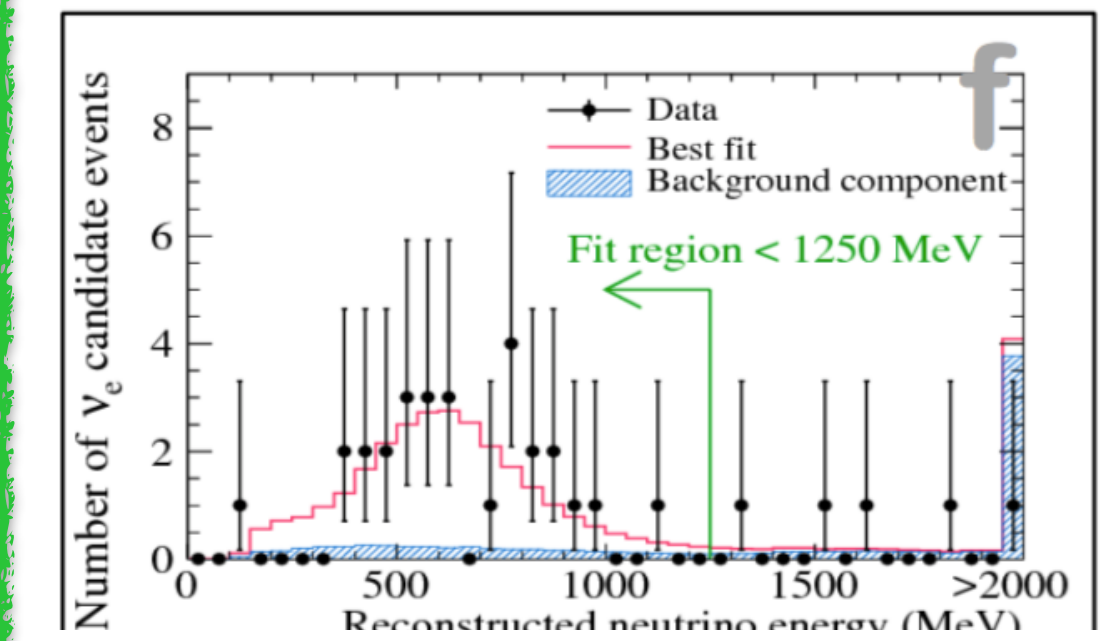
$\mu \rightarrow \mu$ ($\Delta m^2, \theta_{23}$)



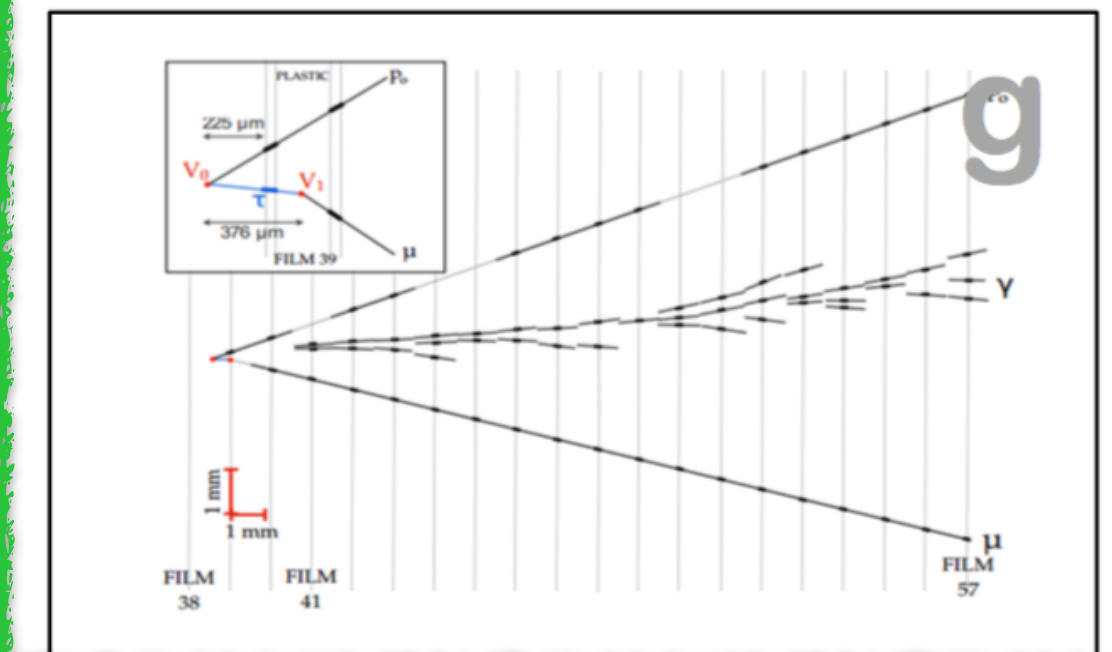
$\mu \rightarrow \mu$ ($\Delta m^2, \theta_{23}$)



$\mu \rightarrow e$ ($\Delta m^2, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}$)



$\mu \rightarrow \tau$ ($\Delta m^2, \theta_{23}$)



PMNS matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_{23} & \sin \theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin \theta_{23} & \cos \theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{13} & 0 & \sin \theta_{13} e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_{13} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & \cos \theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{12} & \sin \theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_{12} & \cos \theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Atmospherics and
LBL
 $\theta_{23} \sim 45^\circ$
 $|\Delta m^2_{32}| \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

Reactors
 $\theta_{13} \sim 10^\circ$
LBL
 θ_{13} and δ_{CP}

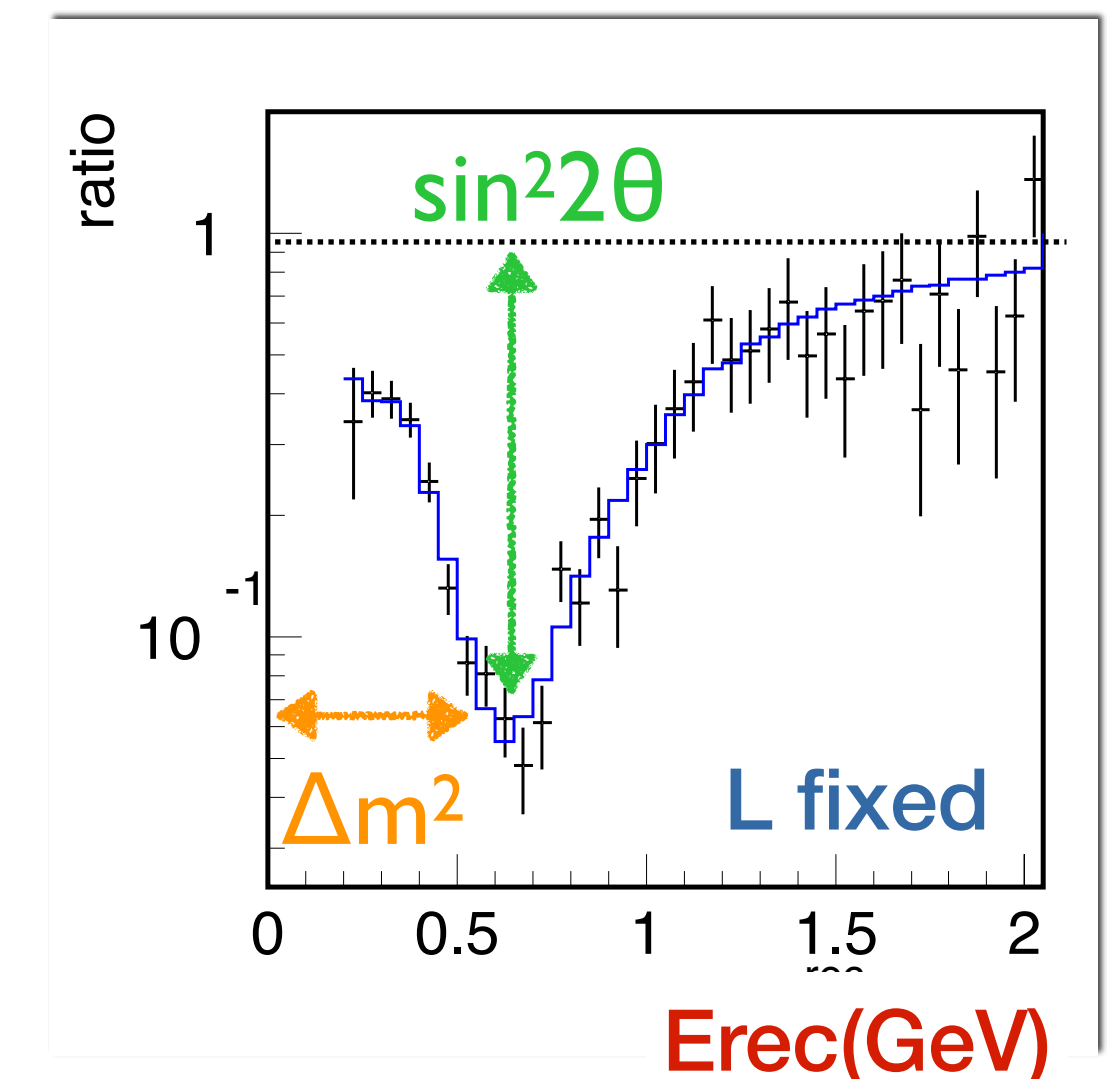
Solar and reactors
 $\theta_{12} \sim 35^\circ$
 $\Delta m^2_{21} \sim 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

- Long baseline (LBL) experiments sensitive to 5 of the PMNS parameters
 - $\theta_{23}, |\Delta m^2_{32}| \rightarrow$ LBL provides the most precise measurements of these parameters
 - $\theta_{13} \rightarrow$ dominated by reactor experiments
 - δ_{CP} and sign of Δm^2_{32} (normal or inverted ordering) \rightarrow still unknown and accessible to LBL

Artificial sources of neutrinos

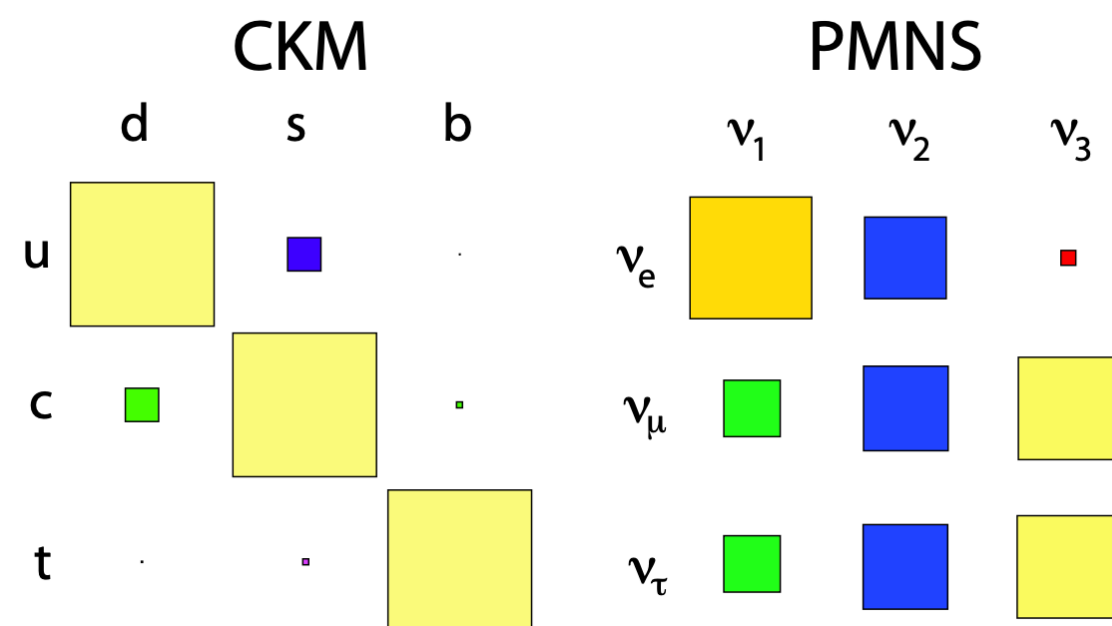
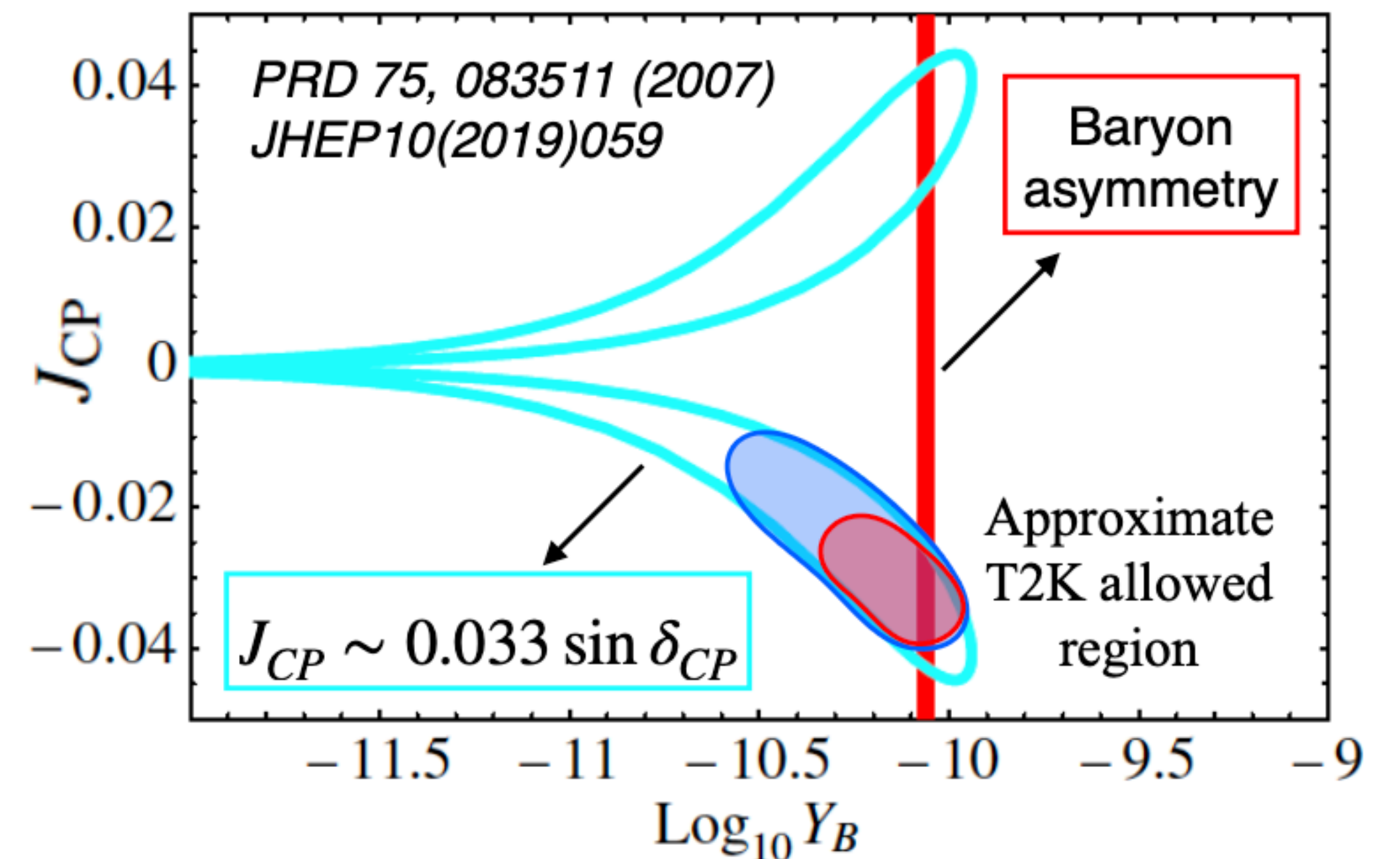
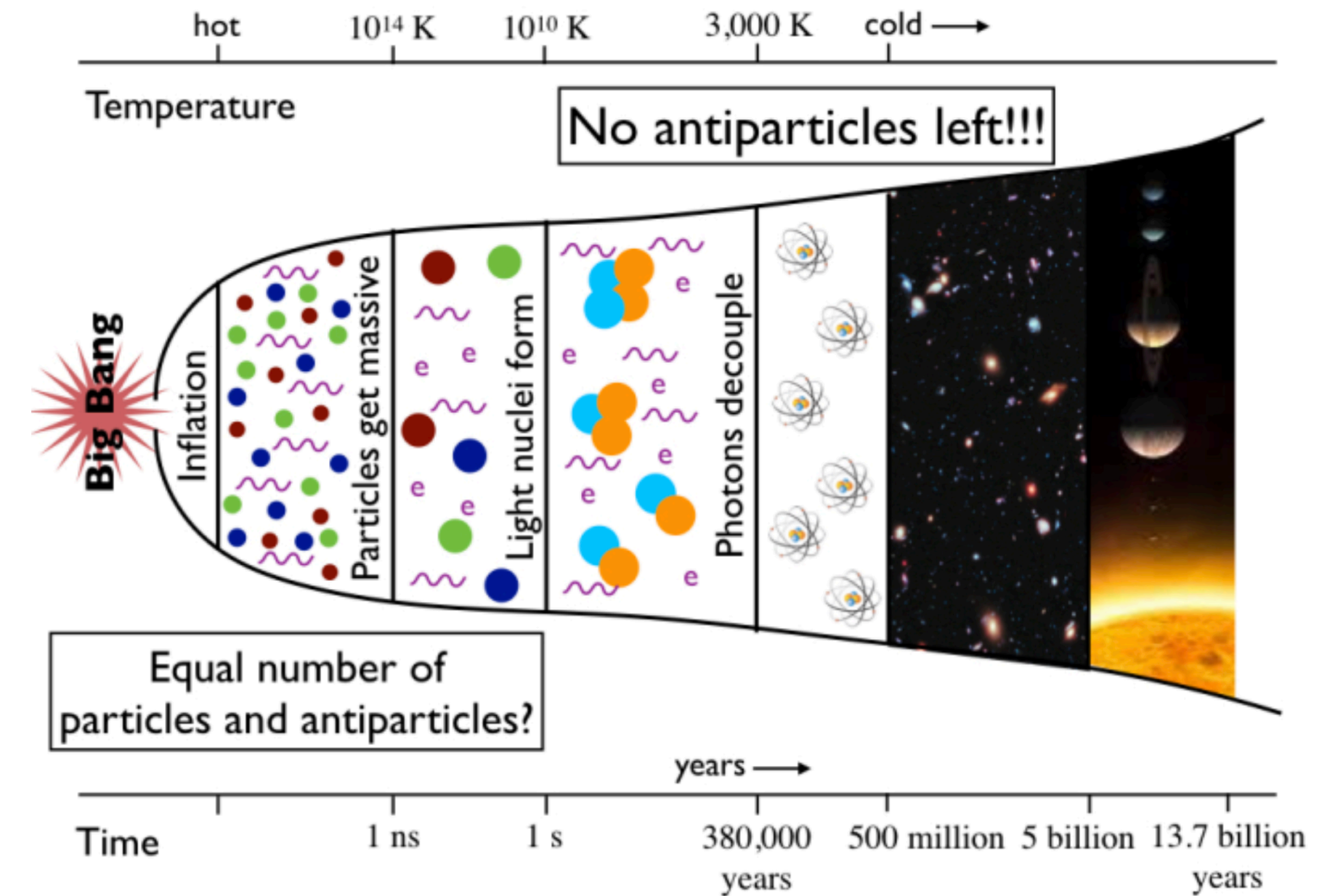
- Oscillations were discovered with solar and atmospheric neutrinos
 - Great sources of neutrinos → they come for free, just need to build a detector
 - Ideal for discoveries (span several ranges of $L/E \rightarrow \Delta m^2$)
 - Cannot be tuned → not the best sources for precision measurements
 - **Reactors** → reactor spectrum is fixed but the distance can be tuned (KamLAND for θ_{12} , DB/DC/RENO for θ_{13} , Juno for mass ordering)
 - **Accelerators** → can tune energy and distance
 - Well defined $L/E \rightarrow$ maximize oscillation probability knowing Δm^2
 - Can produce beam of ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$
- 5 oscillation parameters (θ_{23} , θ_{13} , Δm^2_{23} , δ_{CP} , and mass ordering)

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2(\Delta m^2 L/E)$$



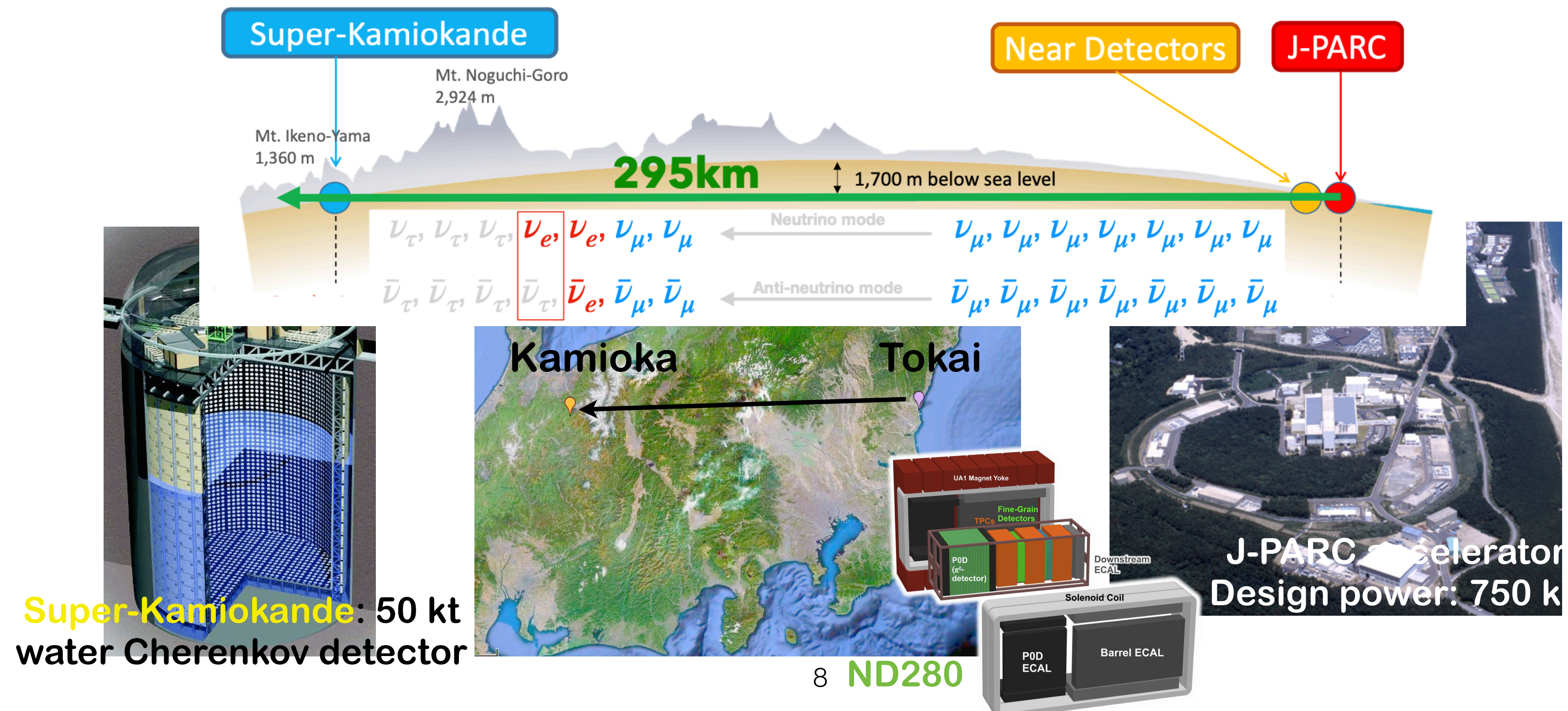
CP violation

- Need to explain the matter-antimatter asymmetry in the Universe
- Which mechanism produced such asymmetry?
- We already observed CP violation in the quark sector but the asymmetry is too small
- Need a different mechanism \rightarrow CP violation in the leptonic sector \rightarrow leptogenesis

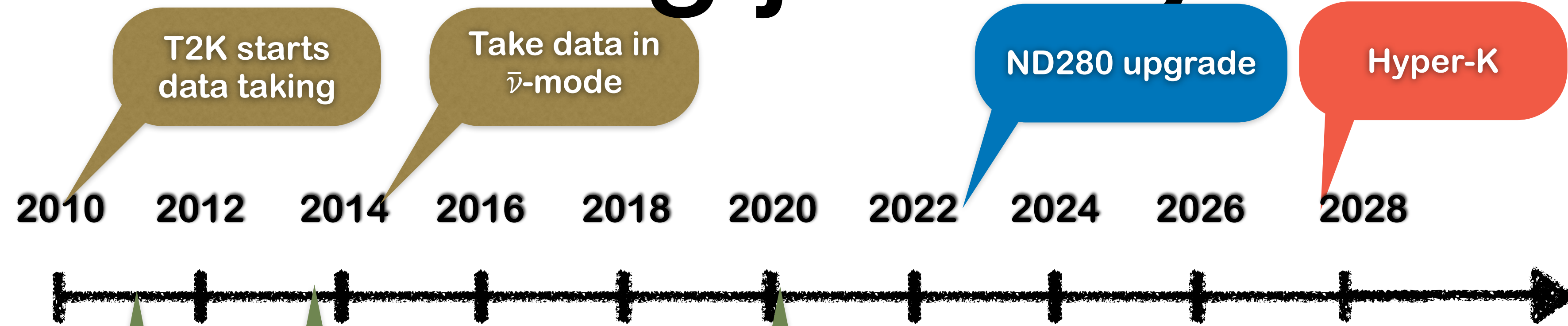


T2K experiment

- High intensity ~ 600 MeV ν_μ beam at J-PARC (Tokai) $\rightarrow \nu$ or $\bar{\nu}$ mode by changing the horn polarity
- Neutrinos detected at the **Near Detector (ND280)** and at the **Far Detector (Super-Kamiokande)**
 - ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance \rightarrow determine θ_{13} and δ_{CP}
 - Precise measurement of ν_μ disappearance $\rightarrow \theta_{23}$ and $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$



A long journey



Hints of ν_e appearance ($\theta_{13} \neq 0 @ 2.5\sigma$)

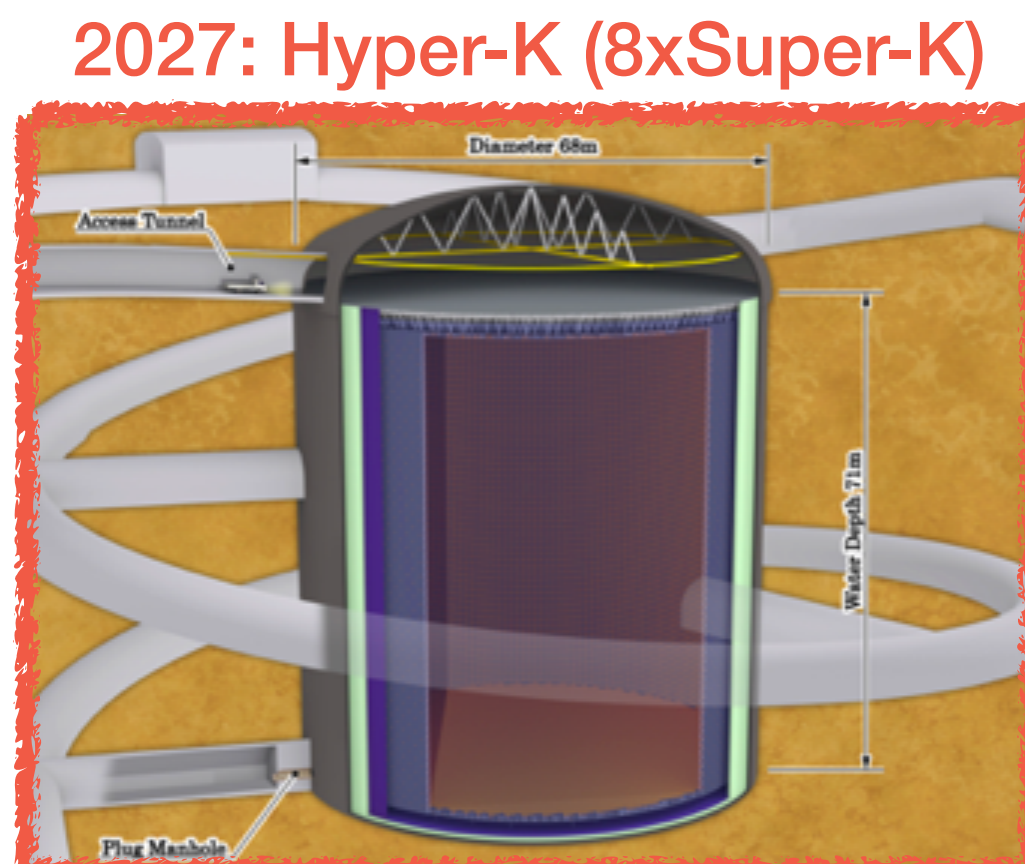
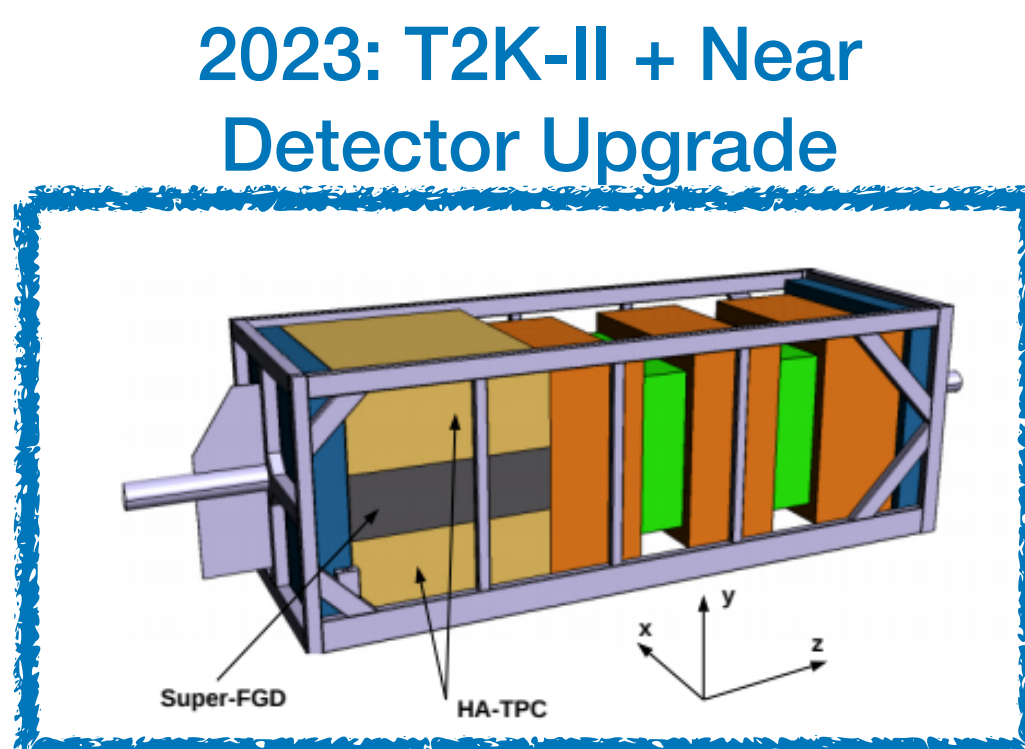
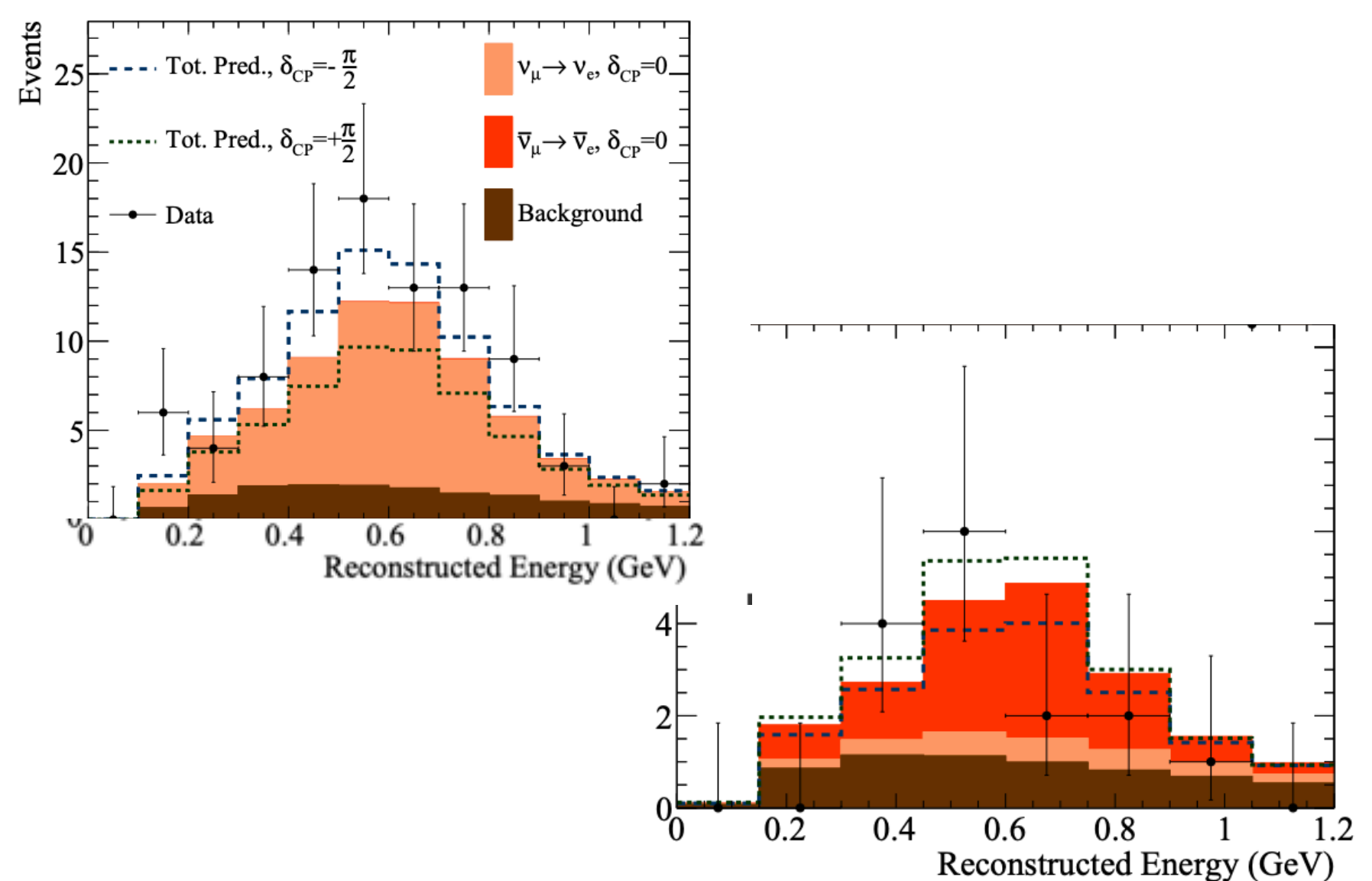
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Observation of ν_e appearance ($\theta_{13} \neq 0 @ 7.3\sigma$)

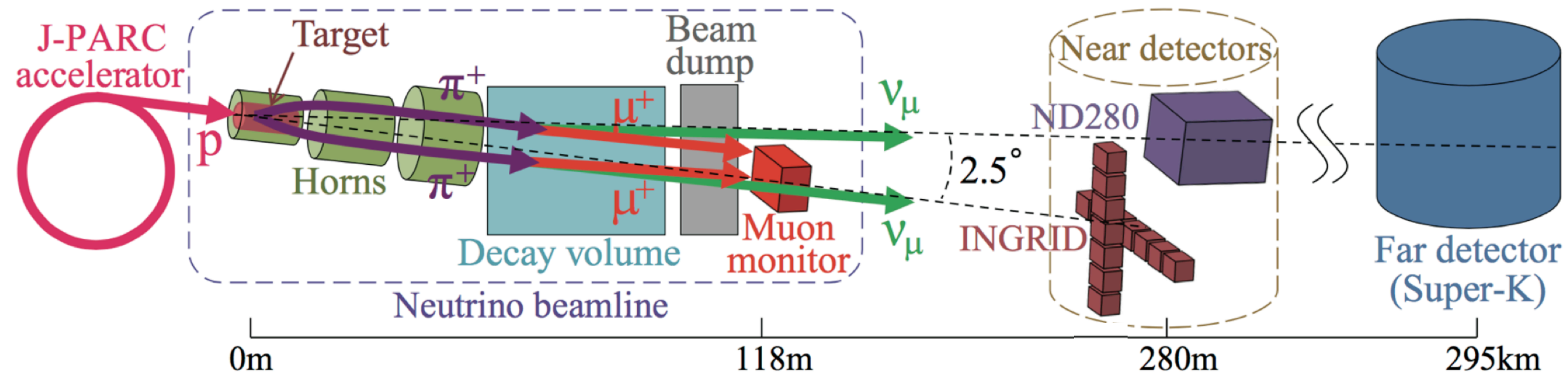
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Hints of CP violation $\rightarrow \sin(\delta_{CP}) = 0$ excluded at 95%

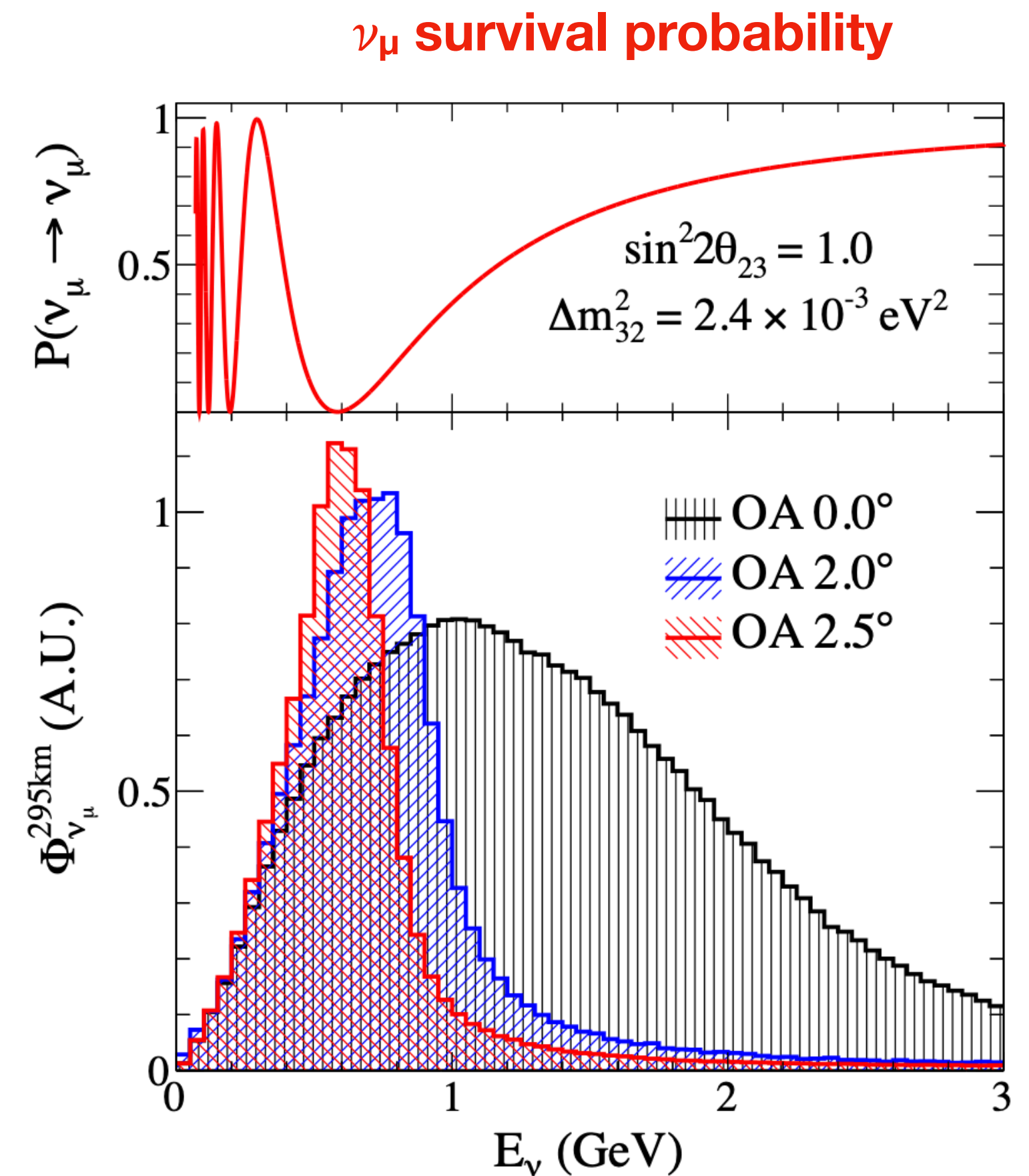
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T2K beamline



- 30 GeV proton beam from J-PARC Main Ring extracted onto a graphite target
- p+C interactions producing hadrons (mainly pions and kaons)
- Hadrons are focused and selected in charge by 3 electromagnetic horns
 - If π^+ are focused ν_μ are produced by $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$
 - Changing the horn current we can produce $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ from $\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu$
- Off-axis technique \rightarrow detectors intercept a narrow-band beam at the maximum of the oscillation probability



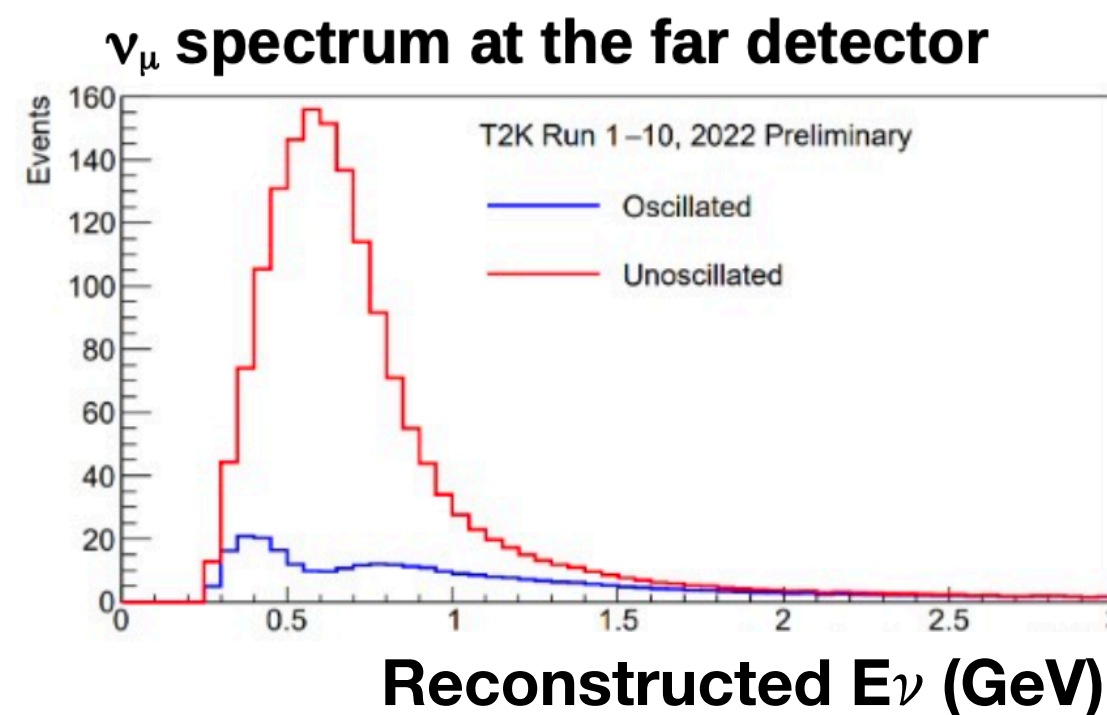
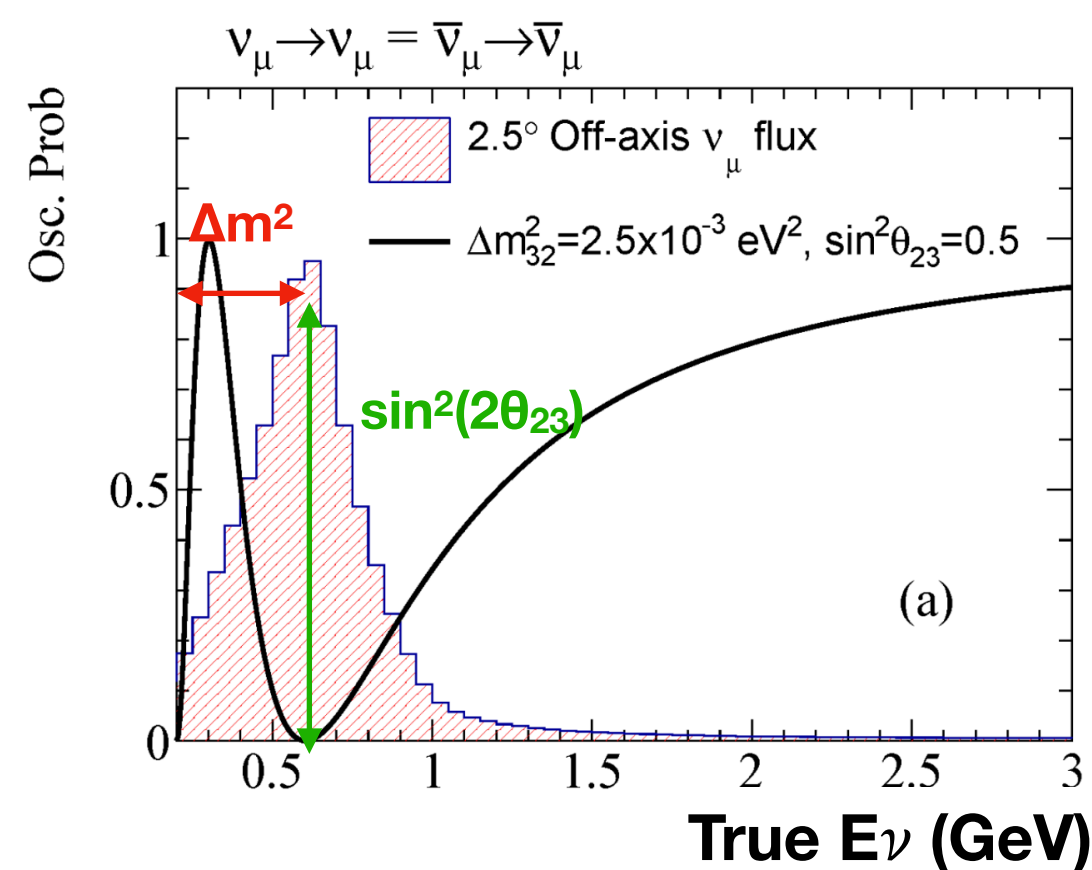
Physics case

ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu) = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \sin^2\left(1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{E}\right)$$

Same oscillation probability for ν and $\bar{\nu}$

Sensitive to $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$ and to $\sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \rightarrow$ no sensitivity to mass ordering and δ_{CP}



ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \simeq \sin^2 \theta_{23} \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_{13}}{(A-1)^2} \sin^2[(A-1)\Delta_{31}]$$

$$+ (\mp) \alpha \frac{J_0 \sin \delta_{CP}}{A(1-A)} \sin \Delta_{31} \sin(A\Delta_{31}) \sin[(1-A)\Delta_{31}]$$

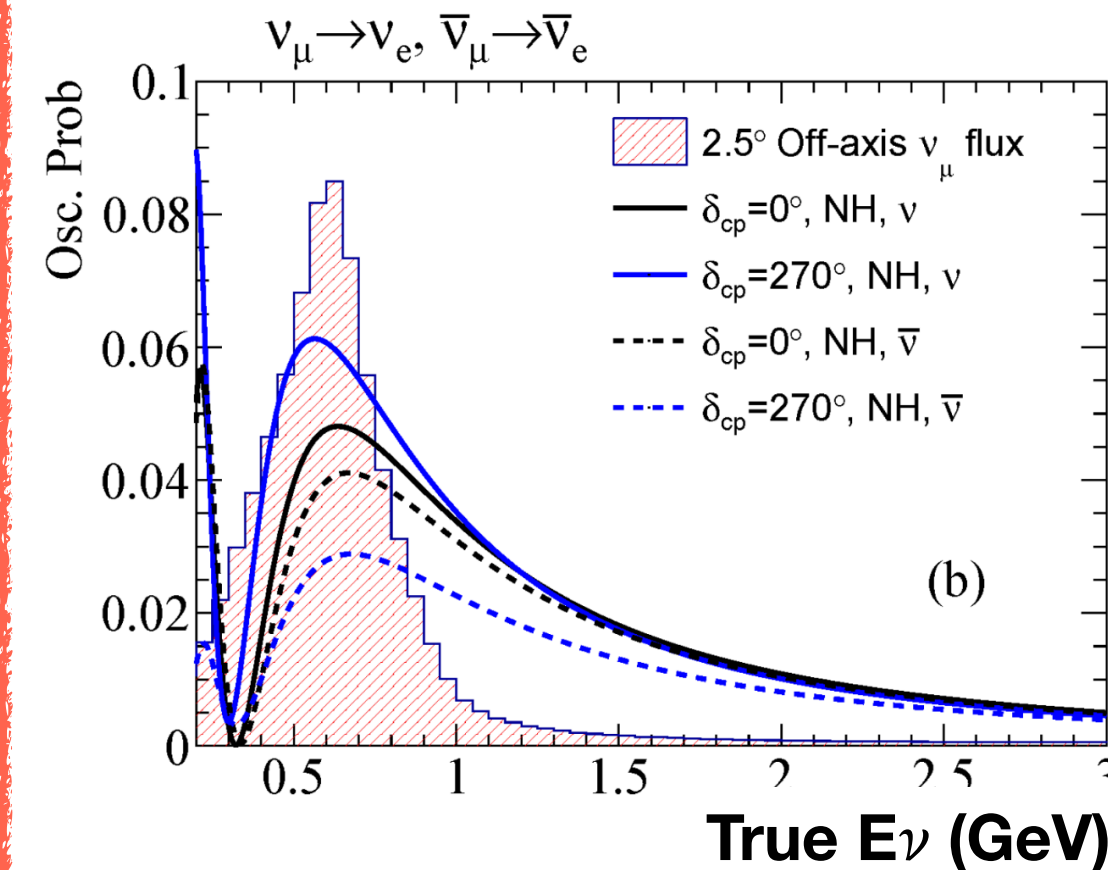
$$+ \alpha \frac{J_0 \cos \delta_{CP}}{A(1-A)} \cos \Delta_{31} \sin(A\Delta_{31}) \sin[(1-A)\Delta_{31}] + O(\alpha^2)$$

$$\alpha = \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{31}^2 \sim 1/30$$

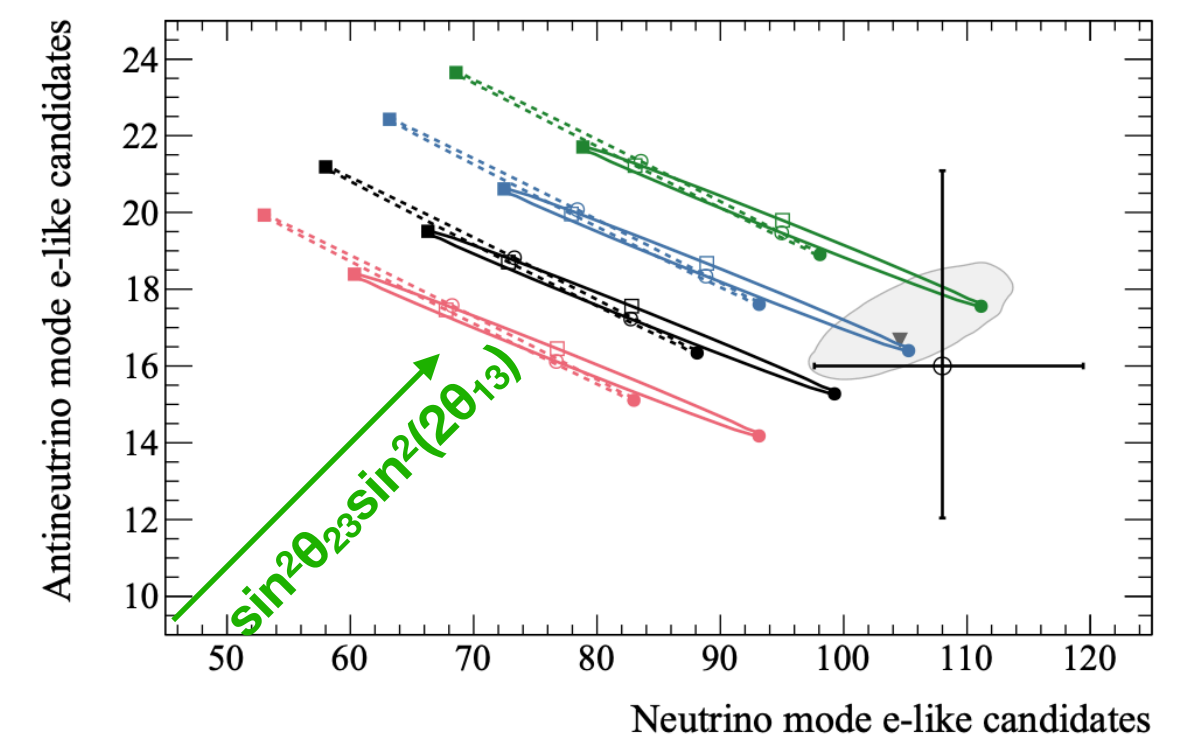
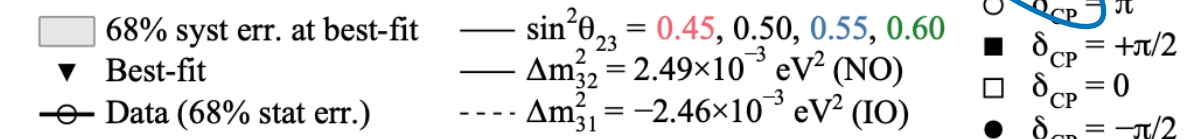
$$J_0 = \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \theta_{13}$$

$$A = (\mp) 2\sqrt{2} G_F n_e E / \Delta m_{31}^2$$

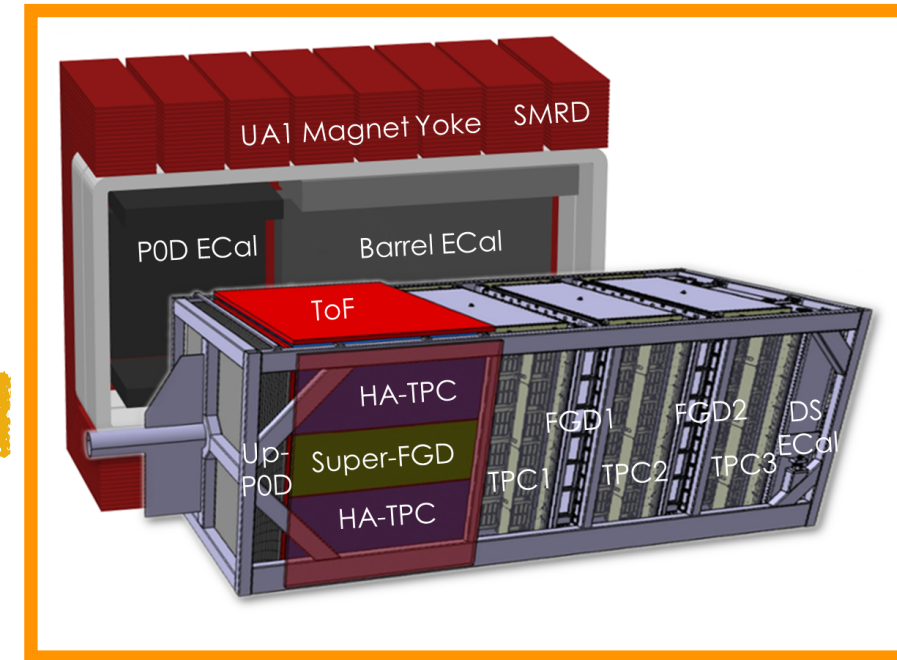
Sensitivity to δ_{CP} , to the mass ordering and to the octant of θ_{23}



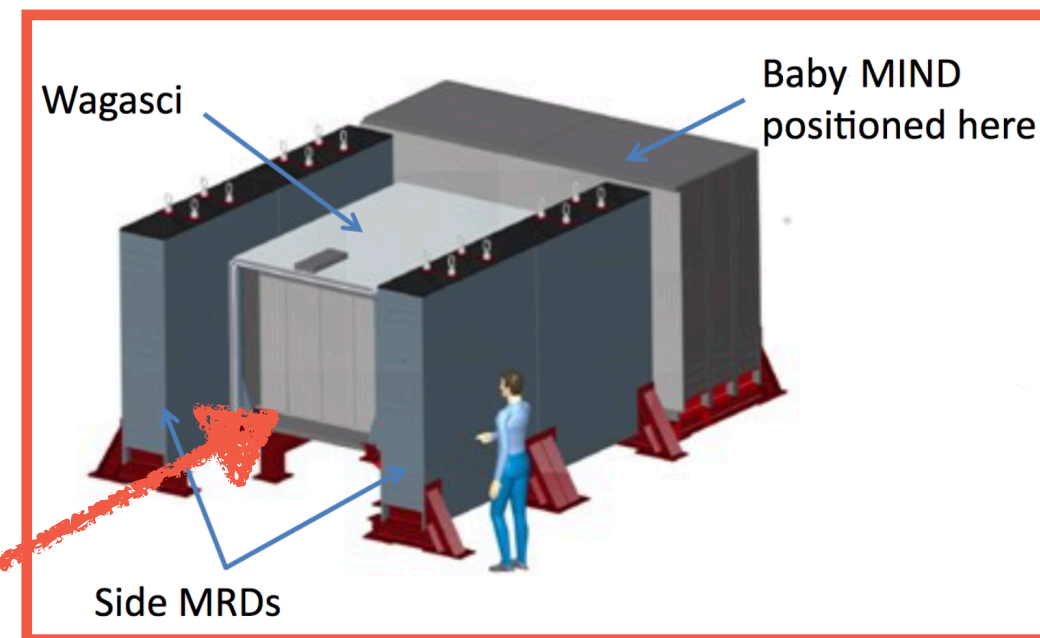
— Normal ordering
... Inverted ordering



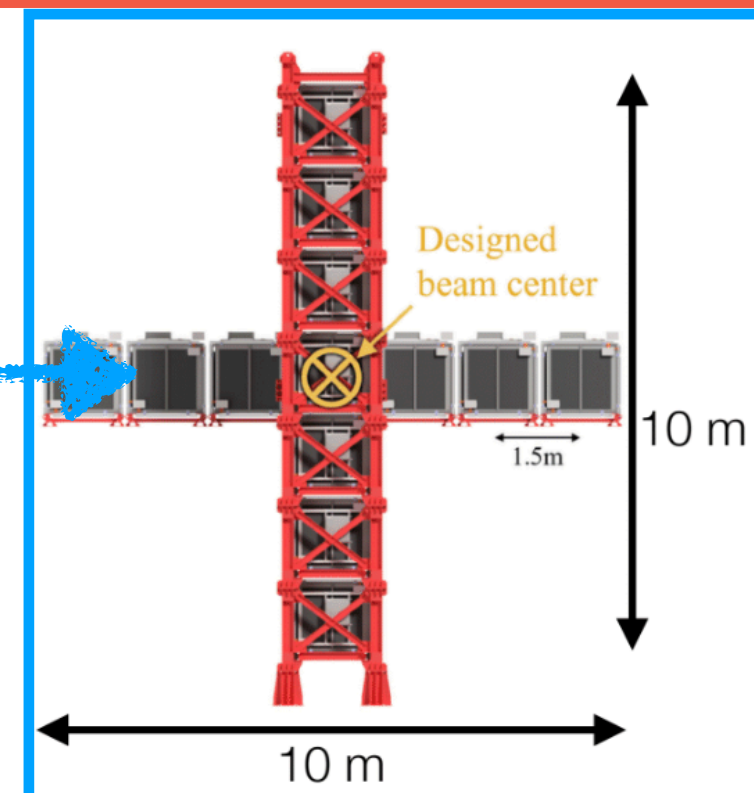
Near Detector complex



Off-Axis ND280
 Constrain systematics in T2K oscillation analyses
 Measure neutrino cross-sections
 In operation since 2010 and upgraded in 2023



WAGASCI/BabyMIND
 Installed in 2019
 Cross-sections on water



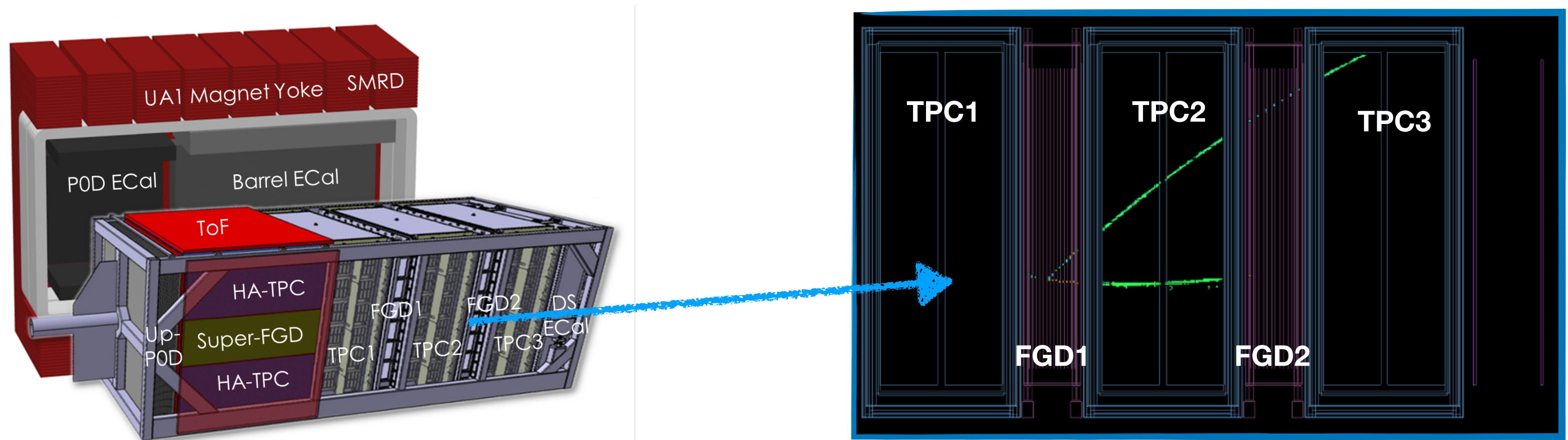
INGRID: on-axis detector
 Monitoring ν beam profile day-by-day
 Cross-section measurements
 In operation since 2009

- Near Detector complex at 280 m from the target
- Several detectors installed to **monitor the beam**, **reduce systematic uncertainties** in oscillation analyses, and measure ν and $\bar{\nu}$ **cross-sections**



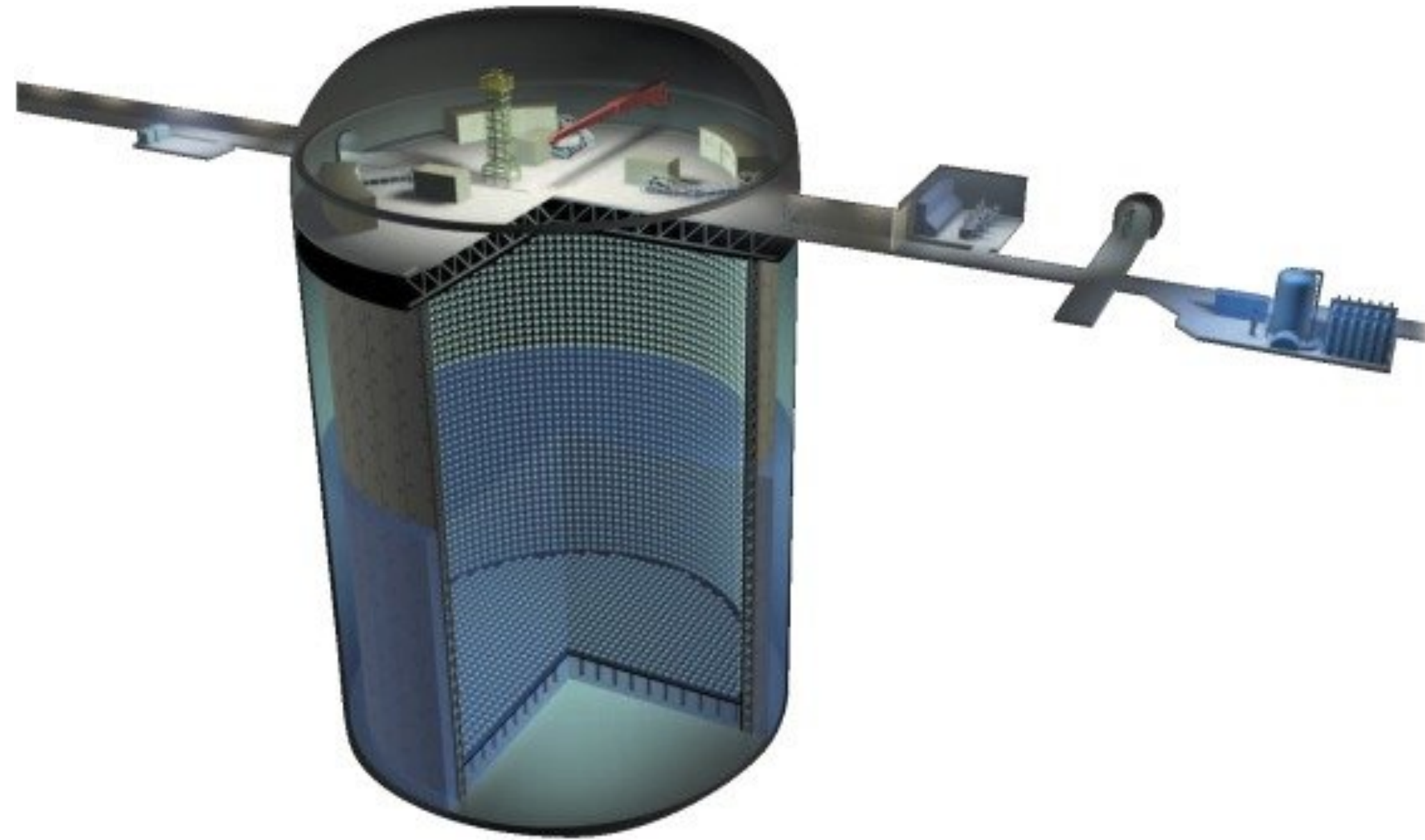
$E_\nu \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV}$
 $E_\nu \sim 1.1 \text{ GeV}$
 $E_\nu \sim 2.2 \text{ GeV}$

Off-axis ND280

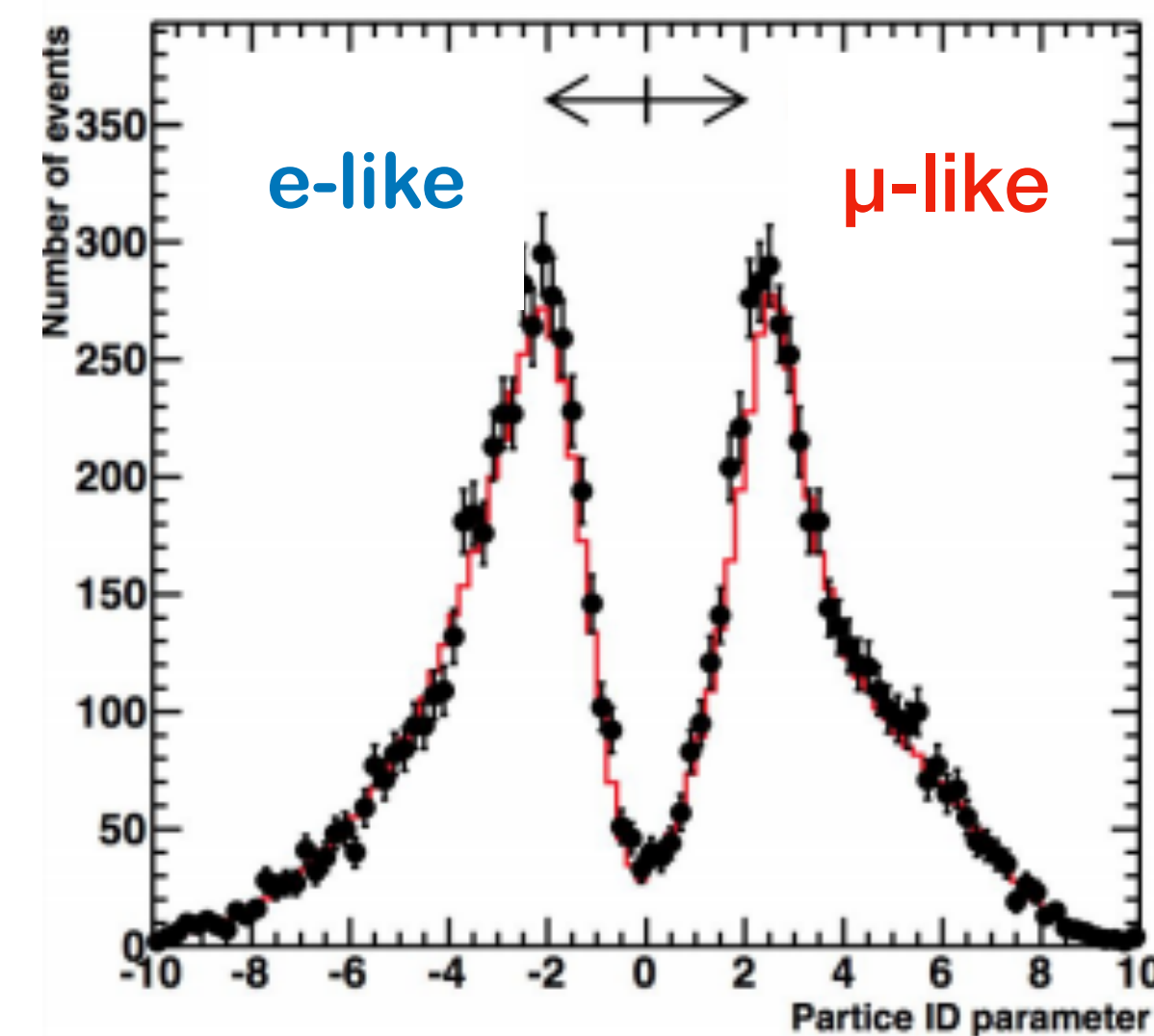
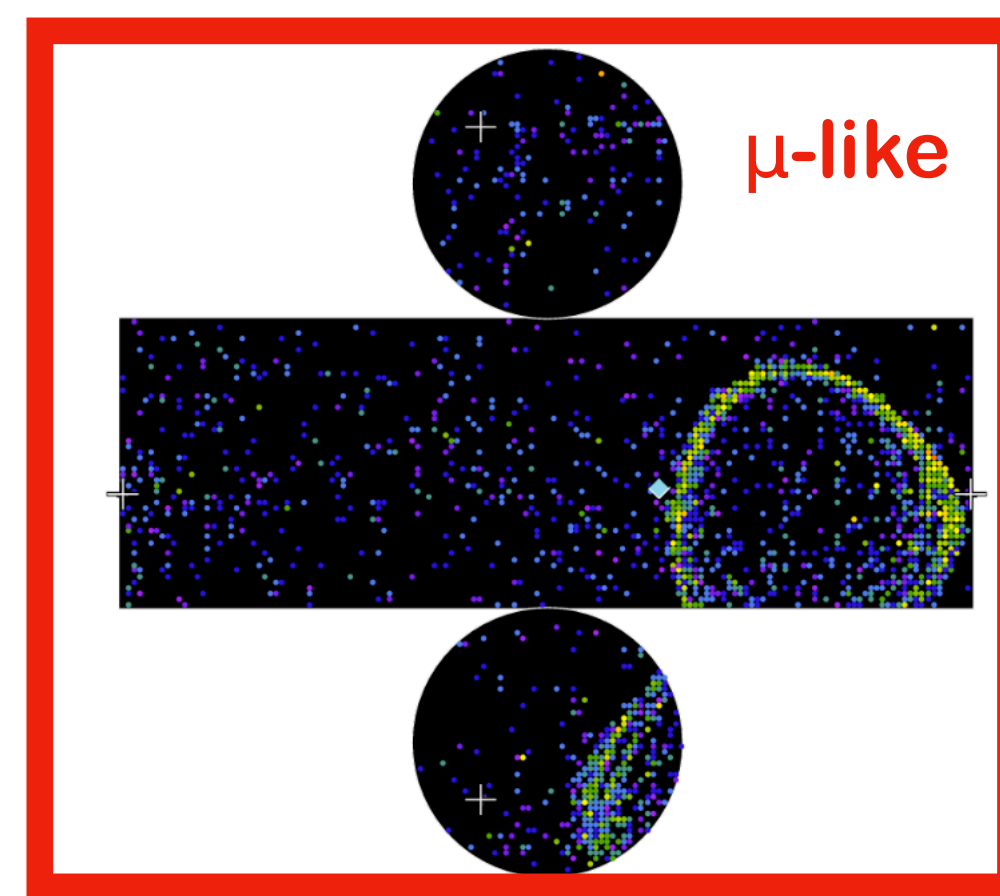
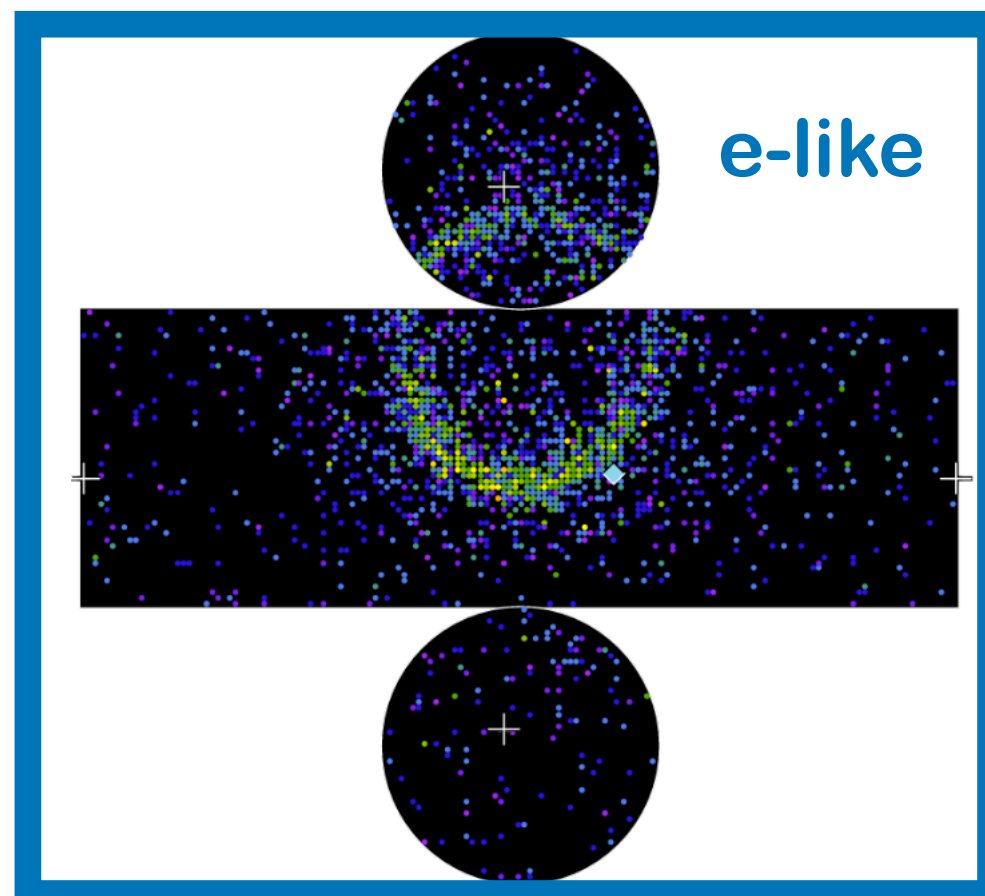


- Measure beam spectrum and flavor composition before the oscillations
- Detector installed inside the **UA1/NOMAD magnet (0.2 T)**
- An electromagnetic calorimeter to distinguish tracks from showers
- Upgraded in 2023 but for the analyses shown here the original **tracker system** is used:
 - **2 Fine Grained Detectors** (target for ν interactions). FGD1 is pure scintillator, FGD2 has water layers interleaved with scintillator
 - **3 Time Projection Chambers**: reconstruct momentum and charge of particles, PID based on measurement of ionization

Super-Kamiokande

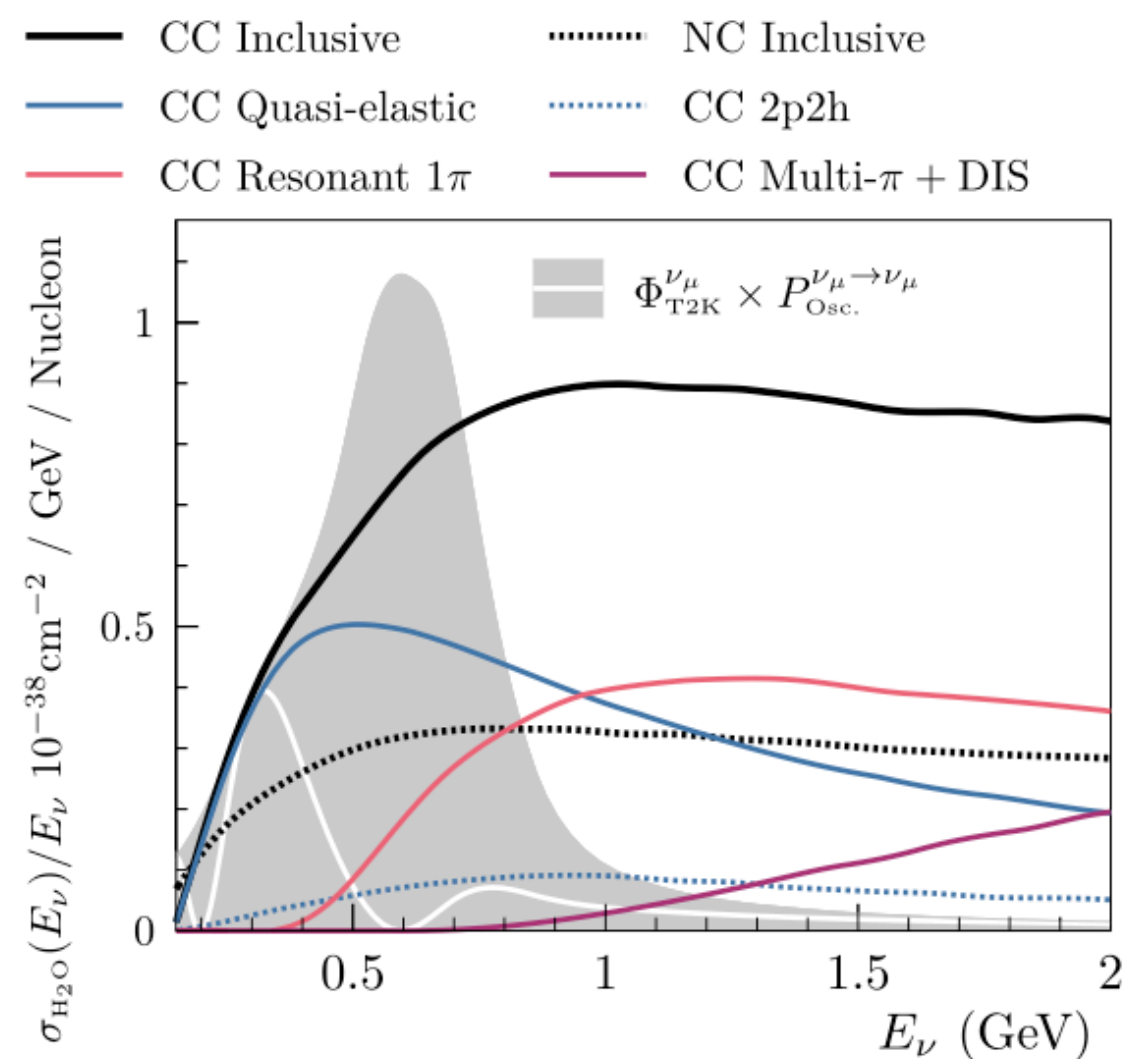
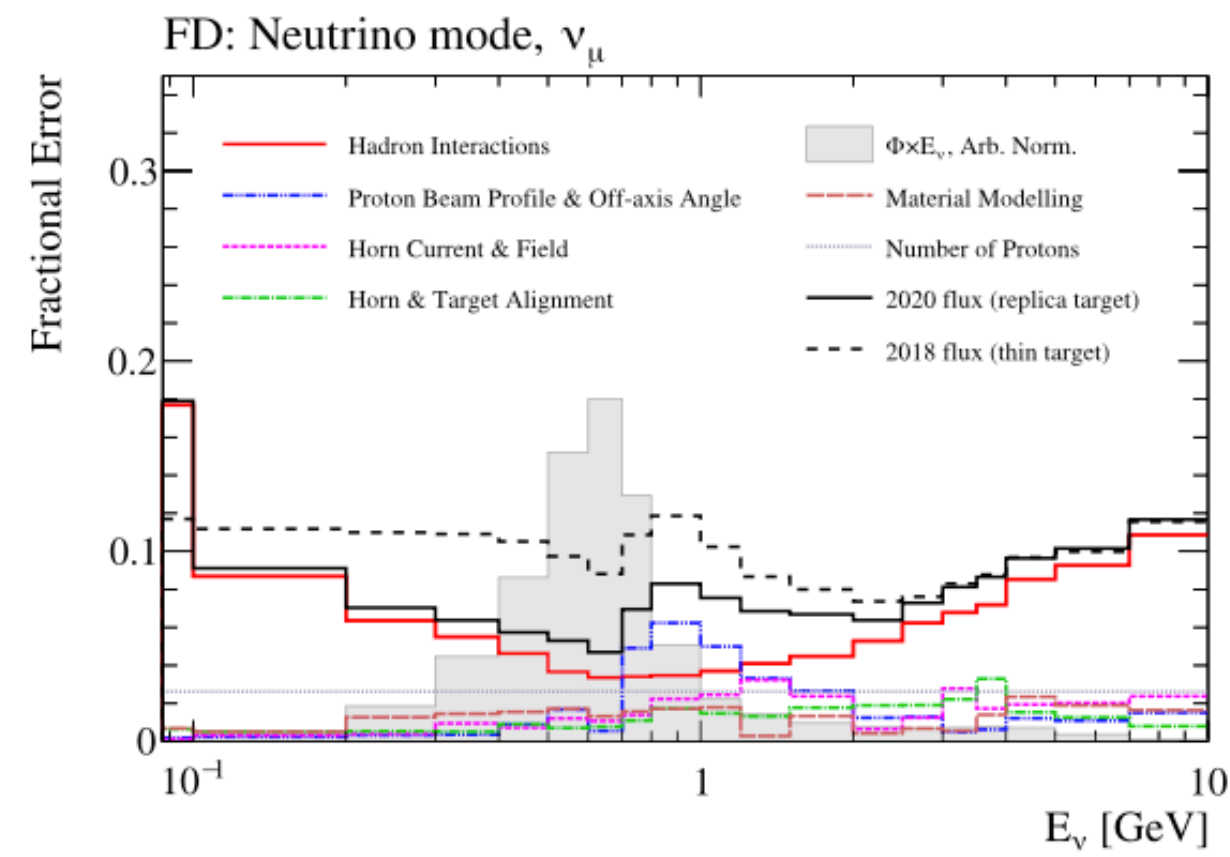


- 50 kton water Cherenkov detector
 - ~11k 20" PMTs for the inner detector, ~2000 8" PMTs for the outer detector, used as veto
- ~1000 meters underground in Kamioka, operated since 1996
- Different shape of Cherenkov ring → distinguish e/ μ
- Added 0.03% Gd in 2022 → improve neutron tagging efficiency



T2K Oscillation analyses

T2K oscillation analysis



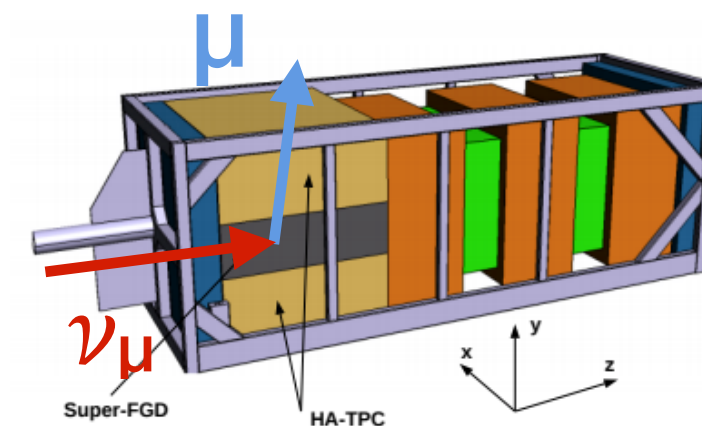
Flux prediction:
Proton beam measurement
Hadron production (NA61 2009
replica target data)

Prediction at the Far Detector:
Combine flux, cross section and
ND280 to predict the expected
events at SK

ND280 measurements:
 ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ selections to constrain
flux and cross-sections

**Extract oscillation
parameters!**

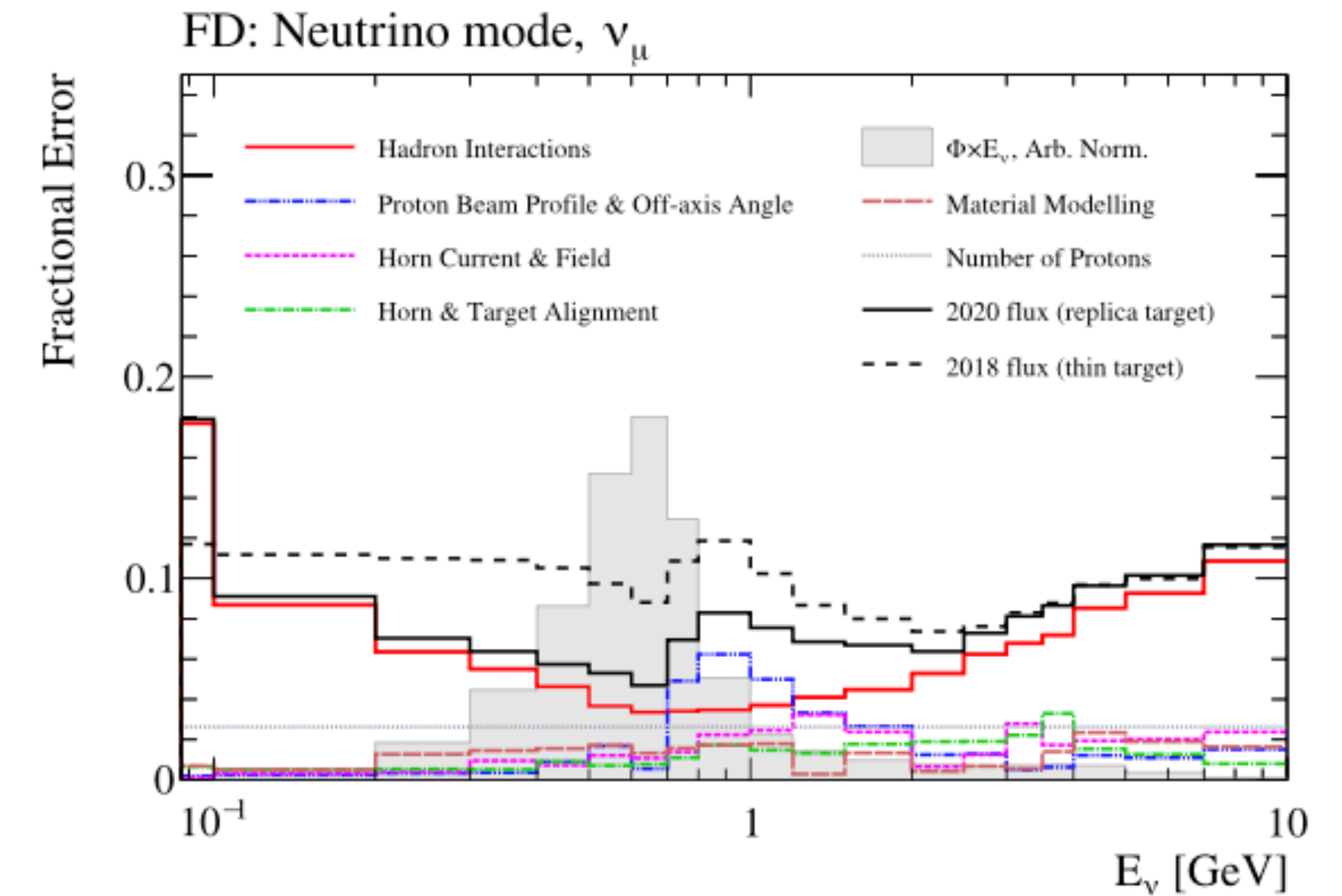
Neutrino interactions:
Cross-section models
External data



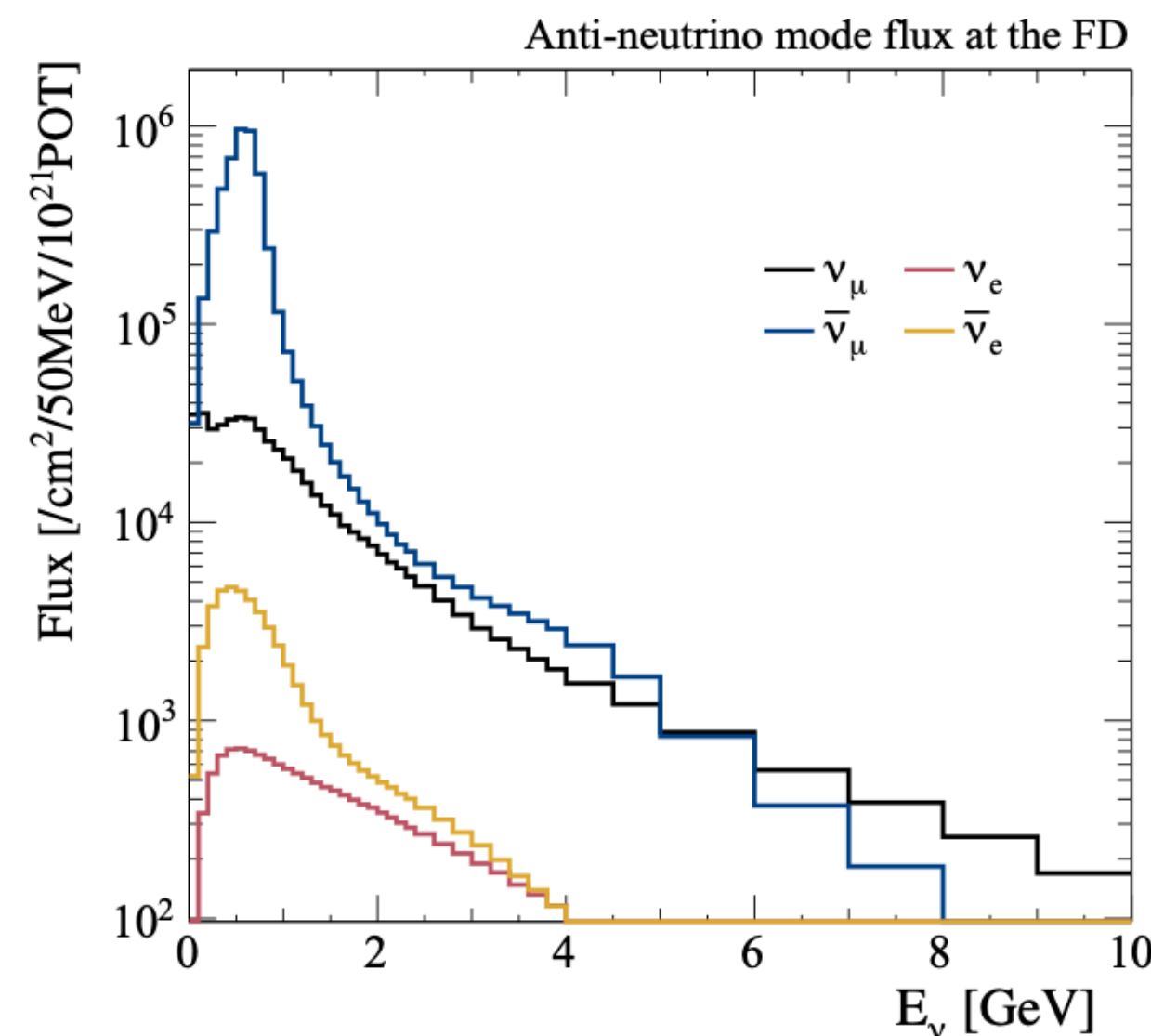
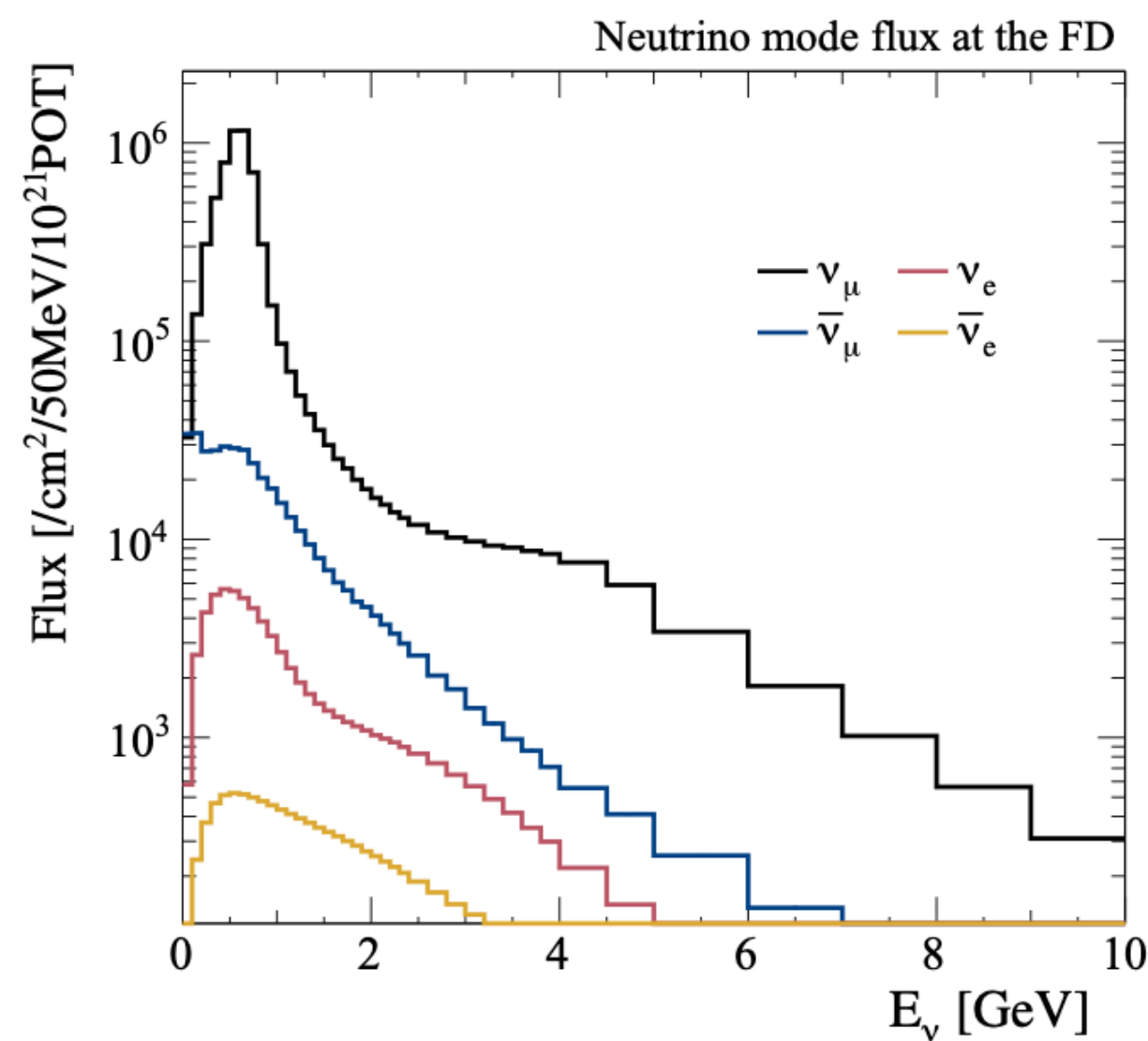
SK measurements:
Select CC ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_e$ candidates
after the oscillations

Neutrino flux predictions

- Systematics on ν and $\bar{\nu}$ fluxes dominated by hadron-production cross-sections uncertainties in p-C collisions
- Reduced to $\sim 5\%$ thanks to the data from NA61/SHINE

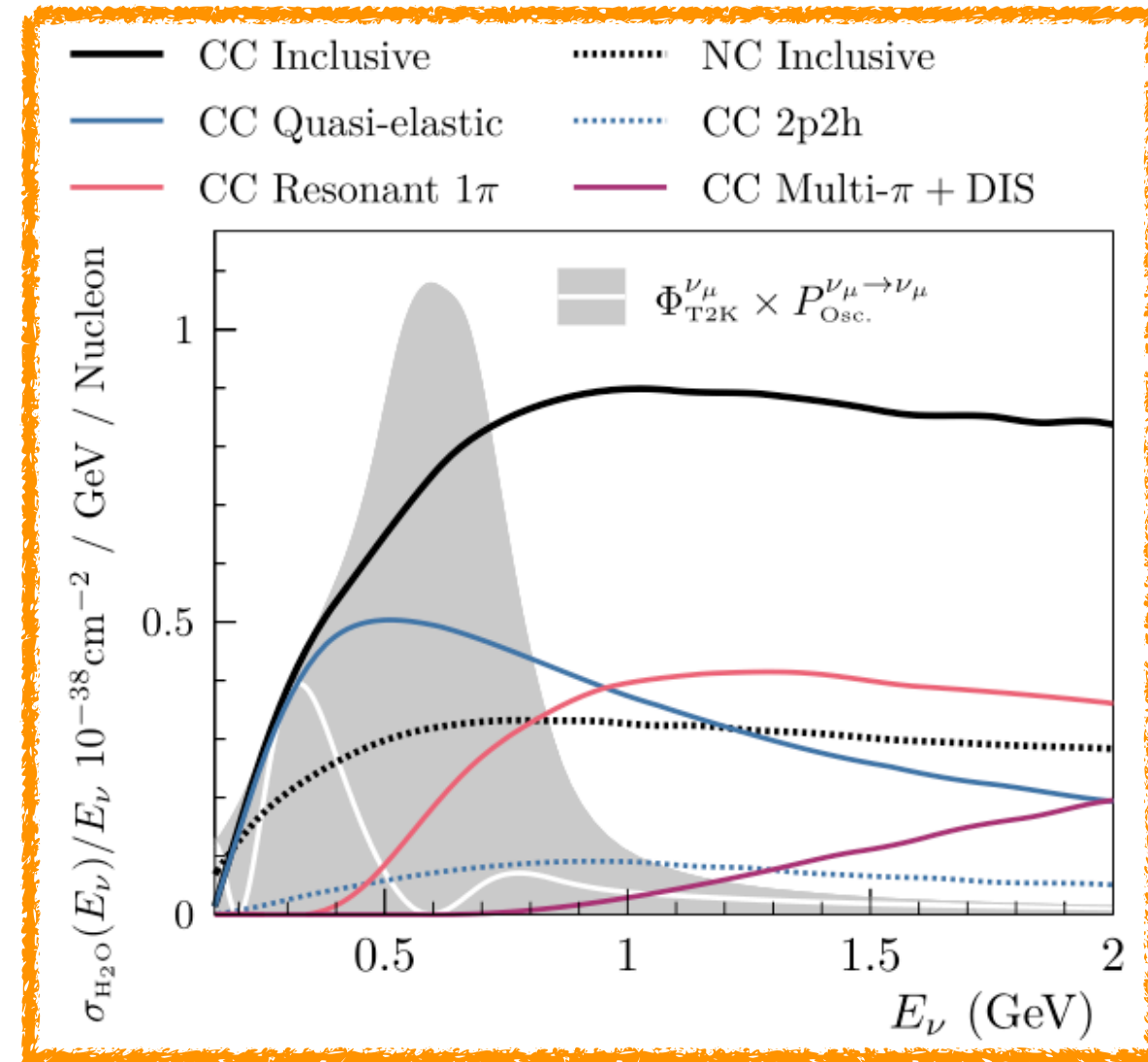


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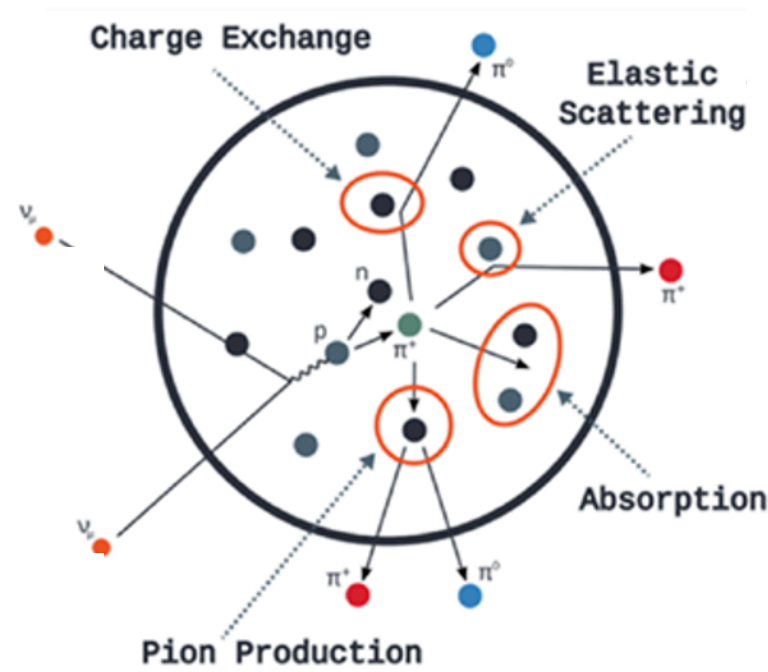
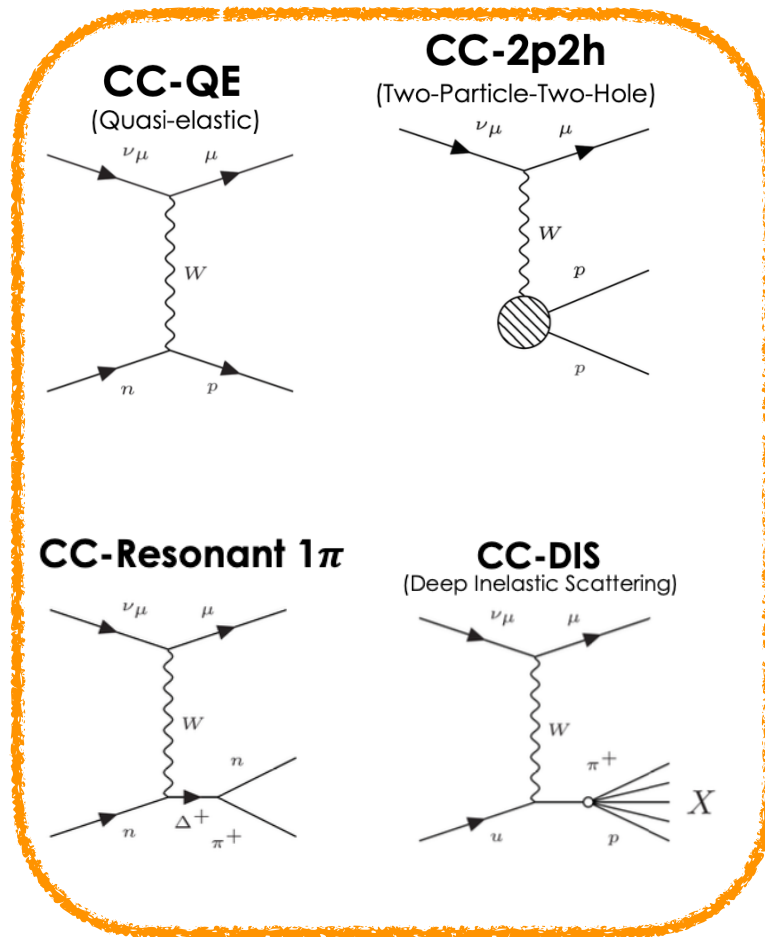
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ν cross-section model

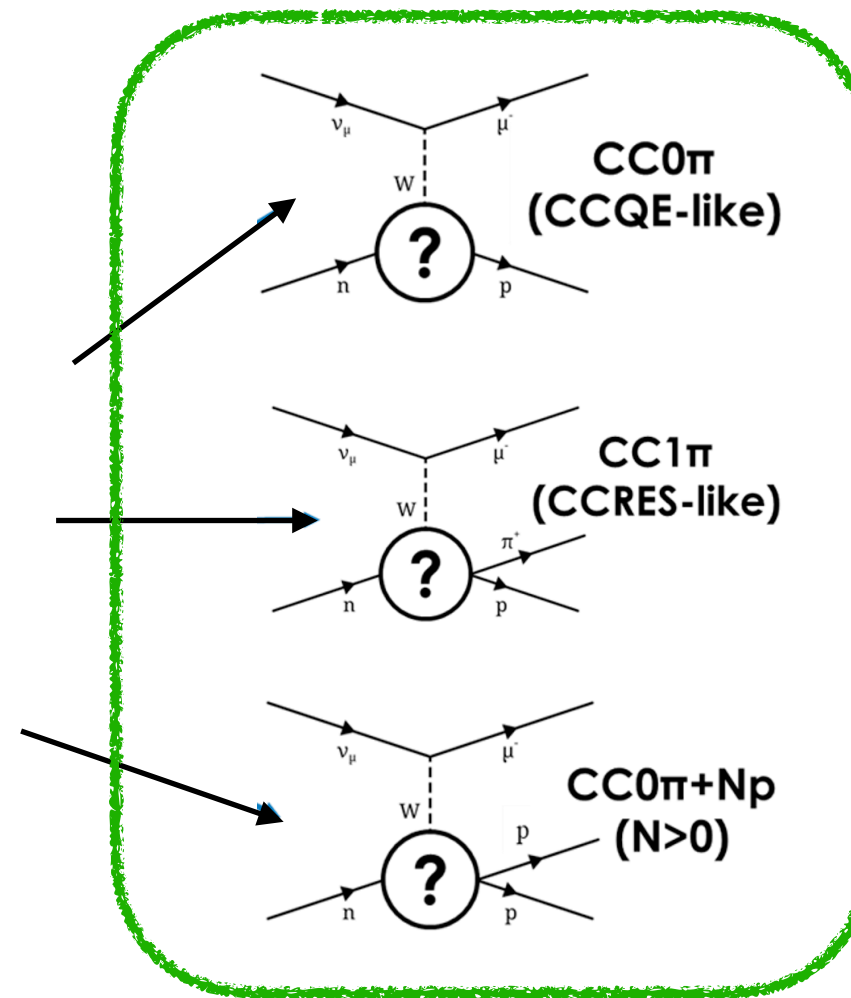


- At T2K energies dominated by **CCQE** channel
- Significant **2p2h** and **resonant** contributions
- Mis-modeling of these contribution might **bias the neutrino energy reconstruction** → important to have a correct model with Near detector data

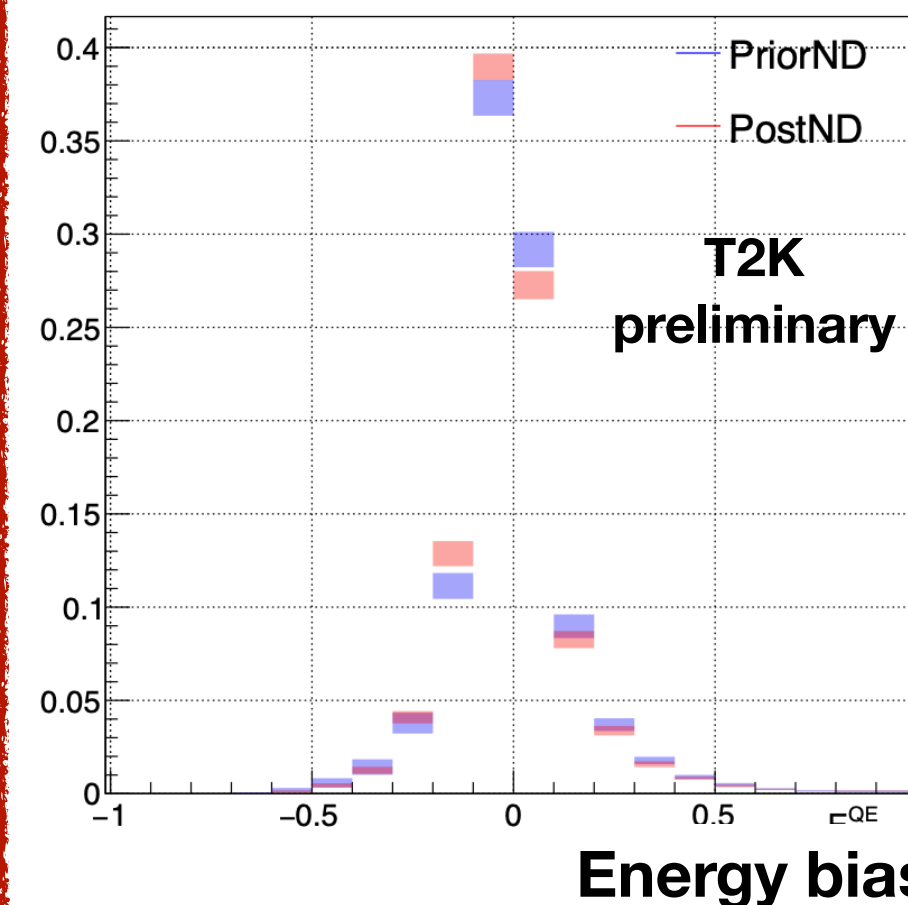
Generator



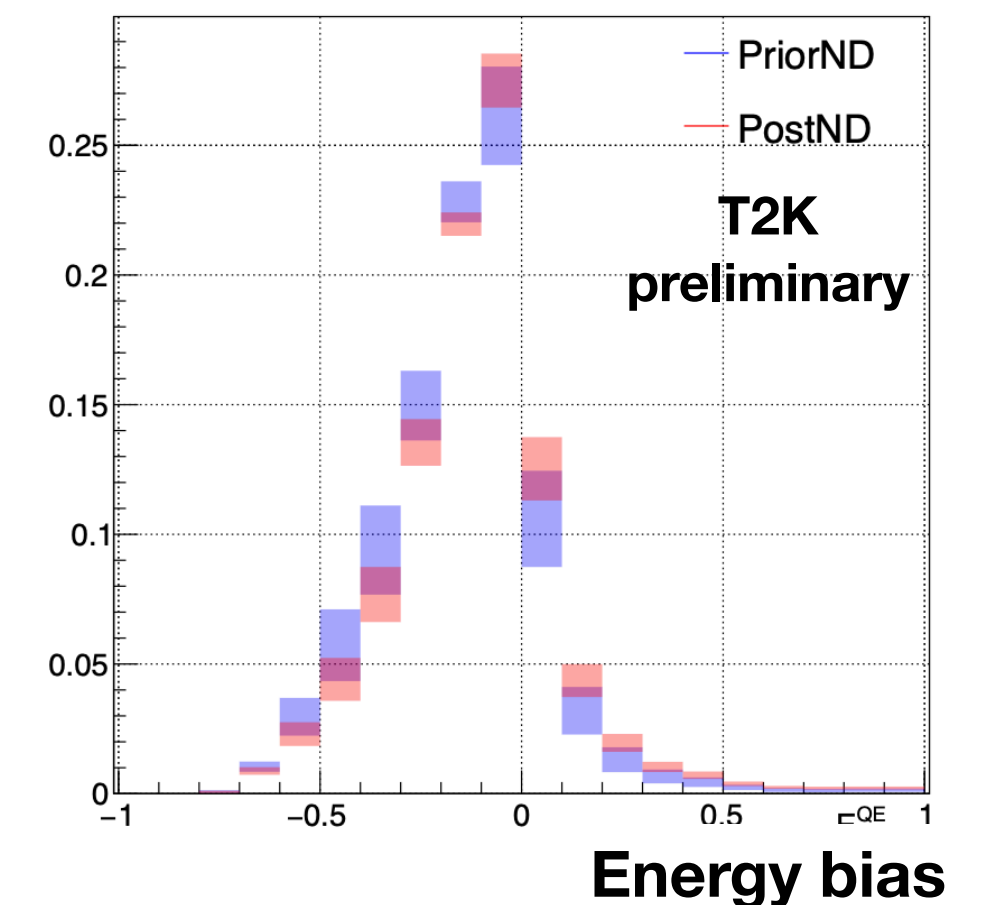
Observables



$E_{\text{rec}}/E_{\text{true}}$ CCQE

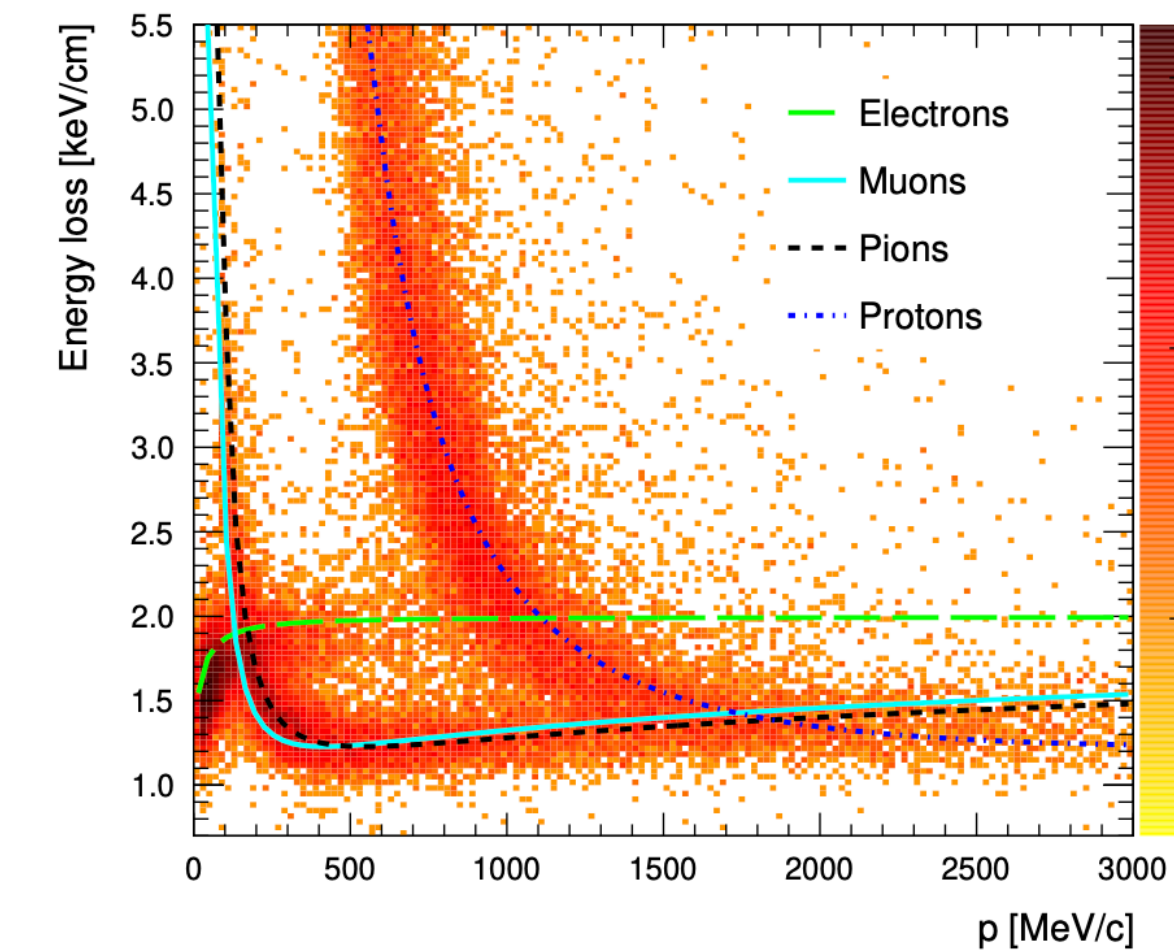
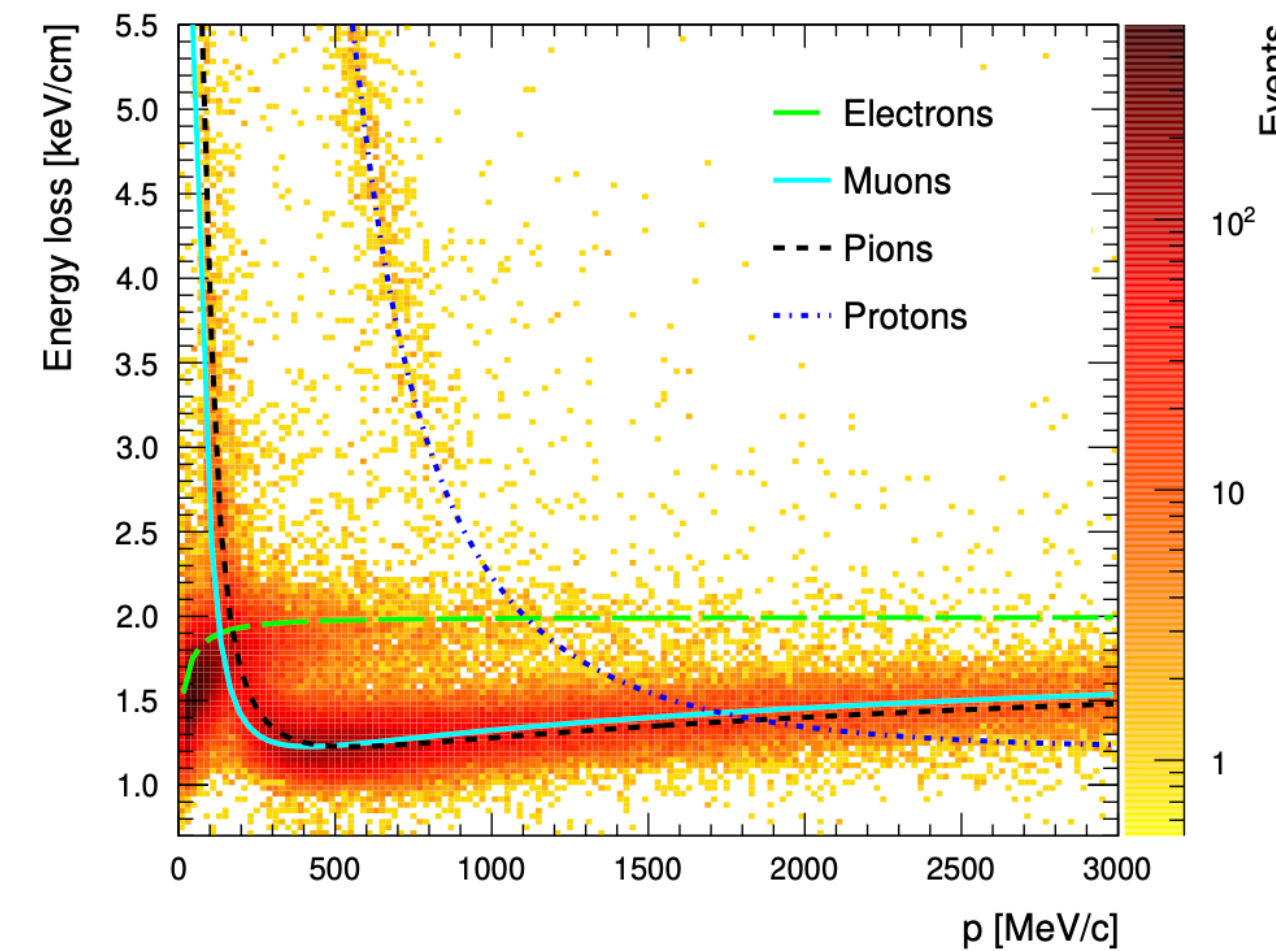
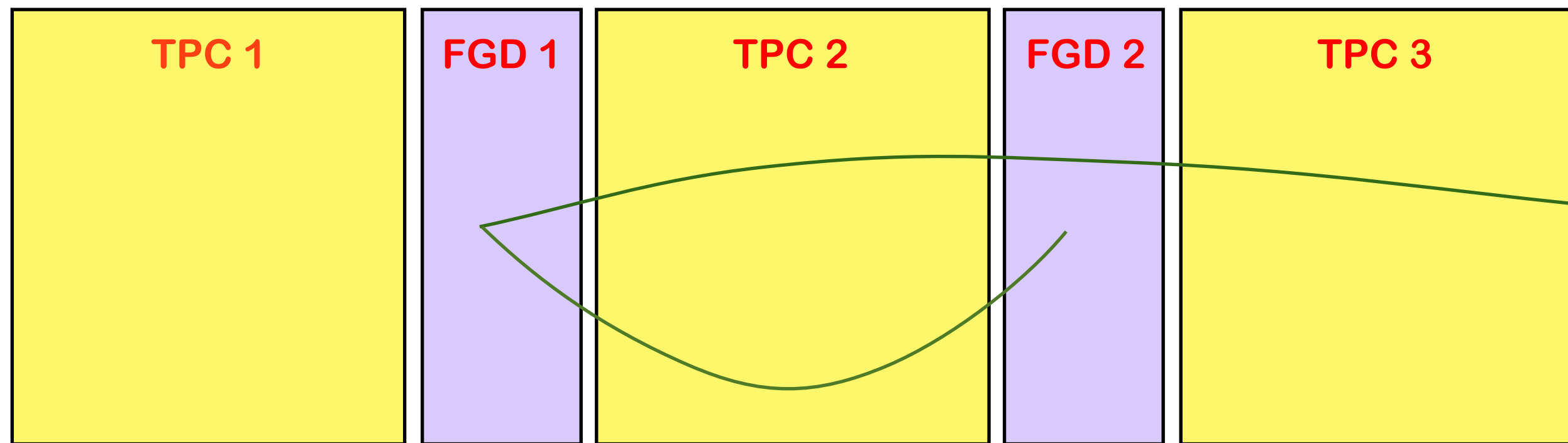


$E_{\text{rec}}/E_{\text{true}}$ 2p2h

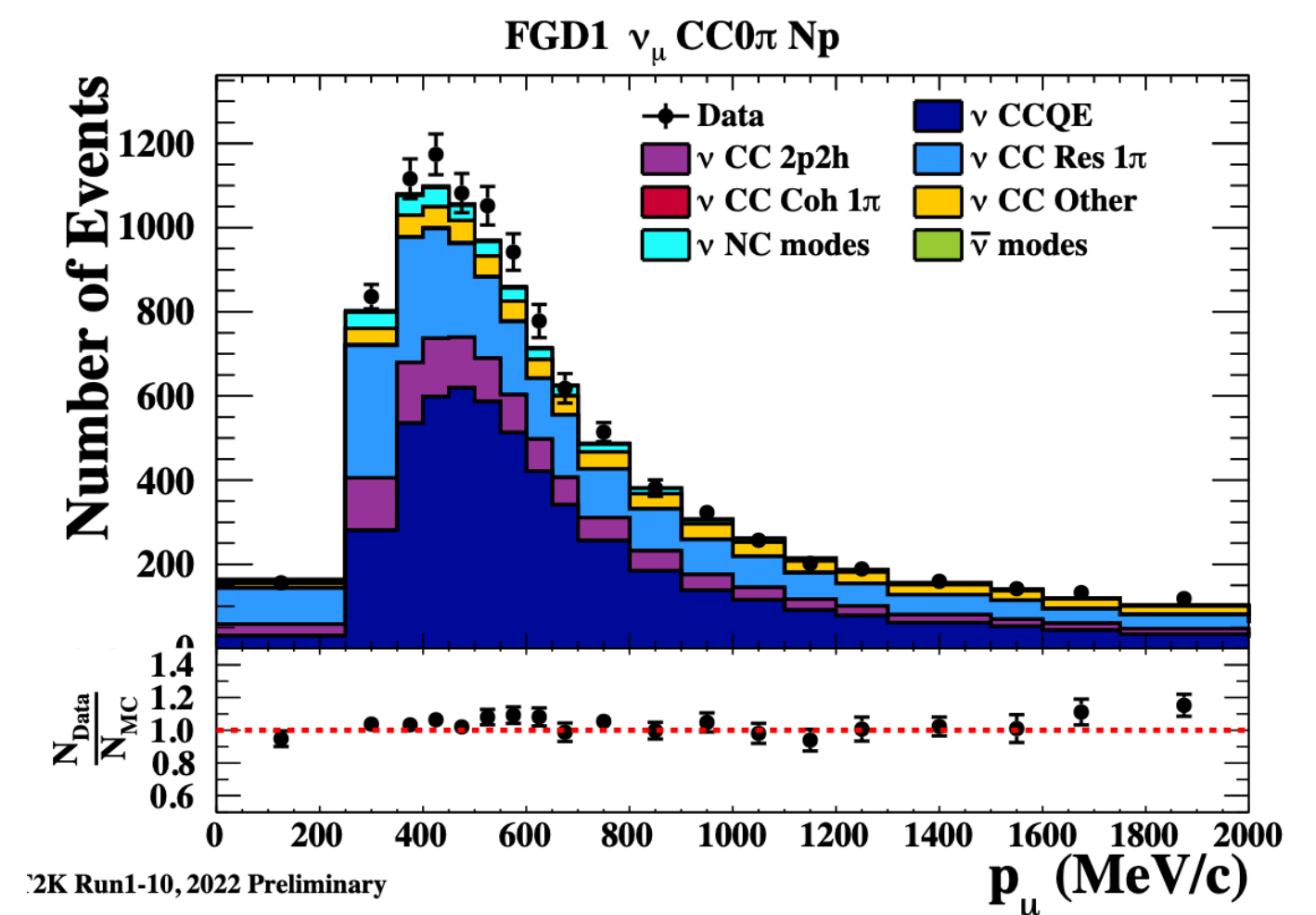


SK 1R μ sample

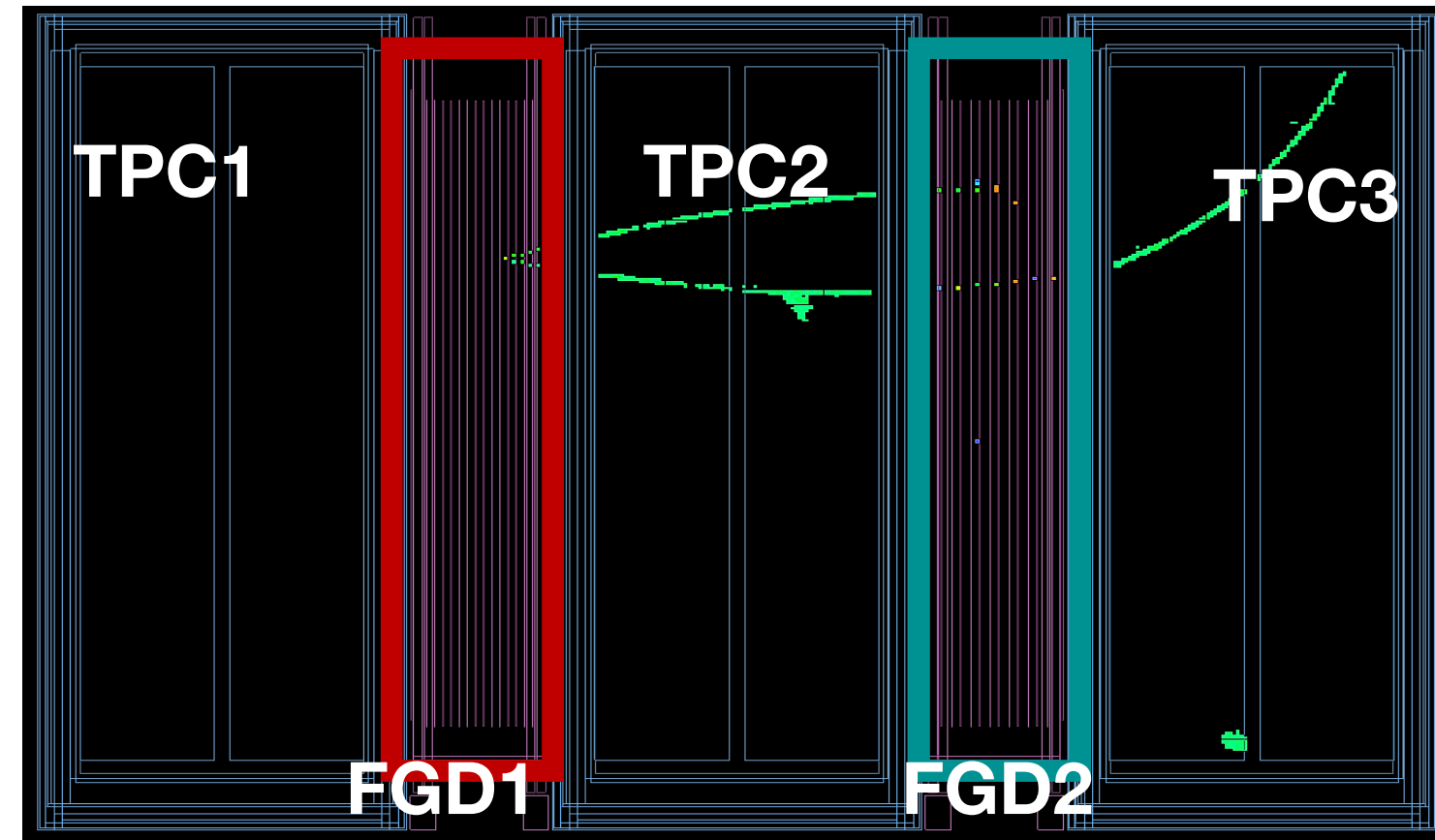
ν_μ selections at ND280



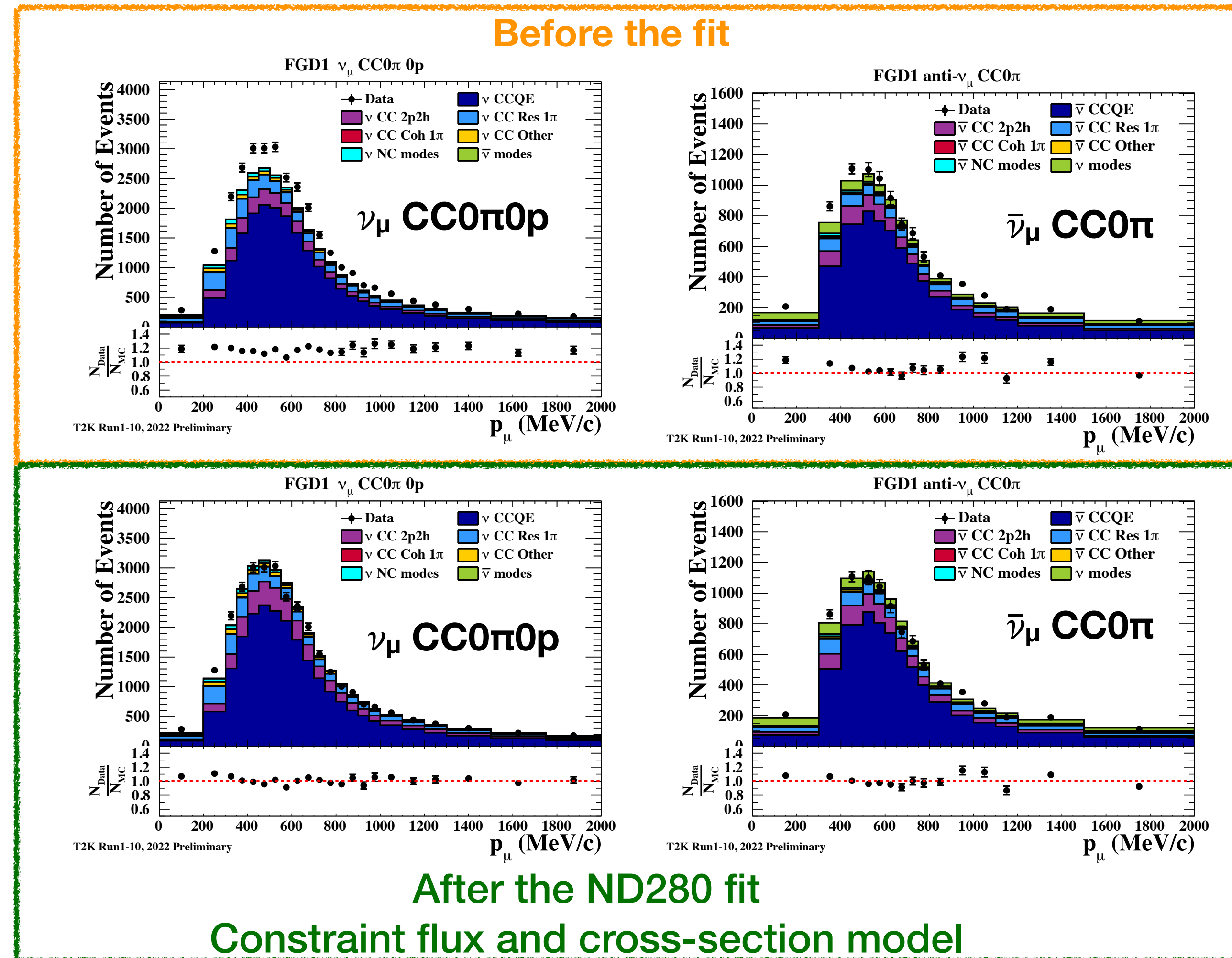
- ND280 is a magnetized detector
- Select neutrino and anti-neutrinos interactions by reconstructing muon charge
 - $\nu_\mu + n \rightarrow \mu^- + p$ while $\bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + n$
- TPC PID (dE/dx vs P) is also used to select muons
- Reconstruct momentum and angle of the leptons in the TPCs



ND280 selections



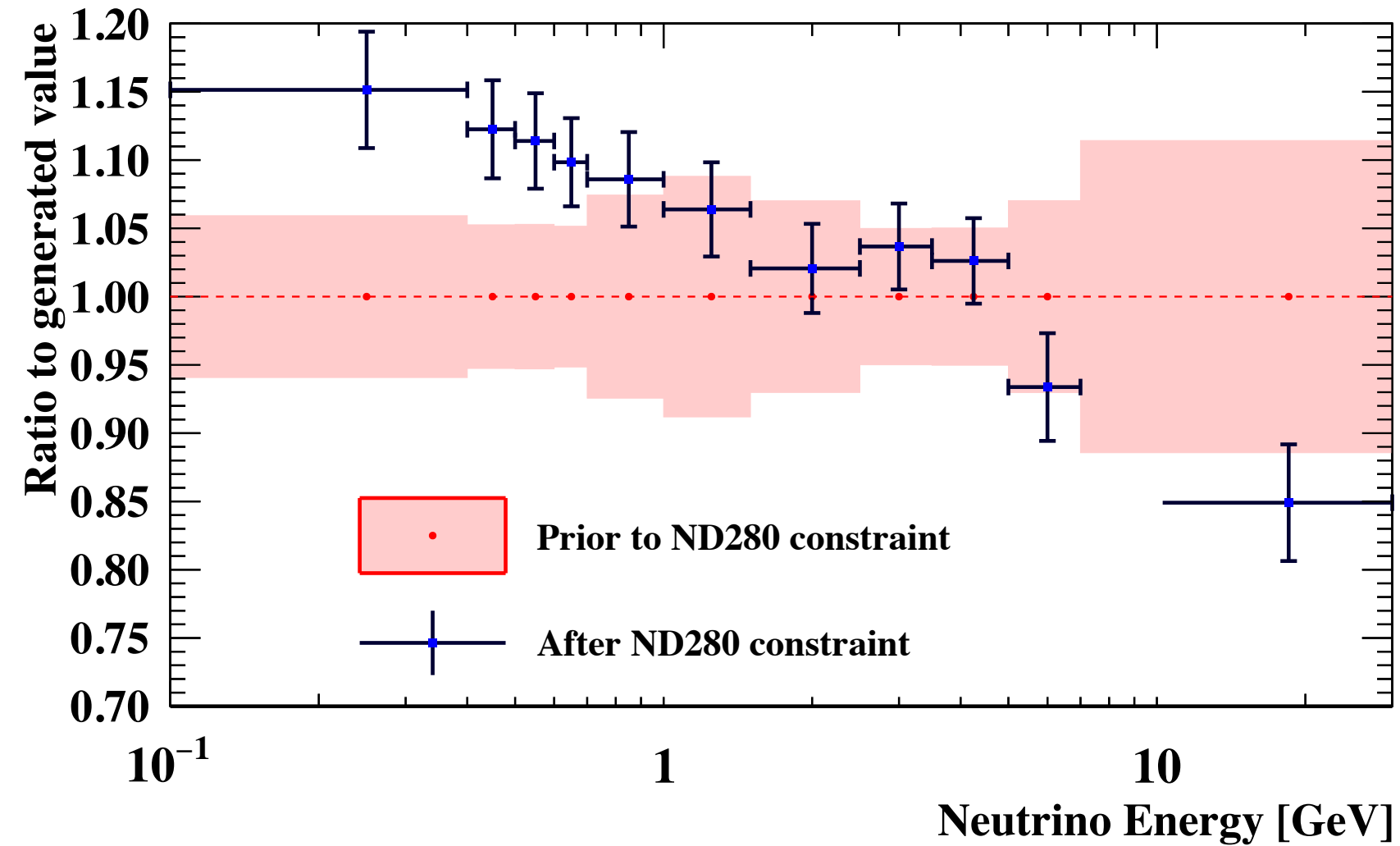
- ND280 magnetized detector
- Select interactions on **CH (FGD1)** and **CH/Water (FGD2)**
- Precise measurement of P_μ and θ_μ with the TPCs
- Distinguish ν from $\bar{\nu}$ interactions thanks to the reconstruction of the charge of the lepton
- Separate samples based on number of reconstructed pions (CC0 π , CC1 π , CCN π), protons, photons, etc \rightarrow 22 samples in total are used in the fit



ND280 fit

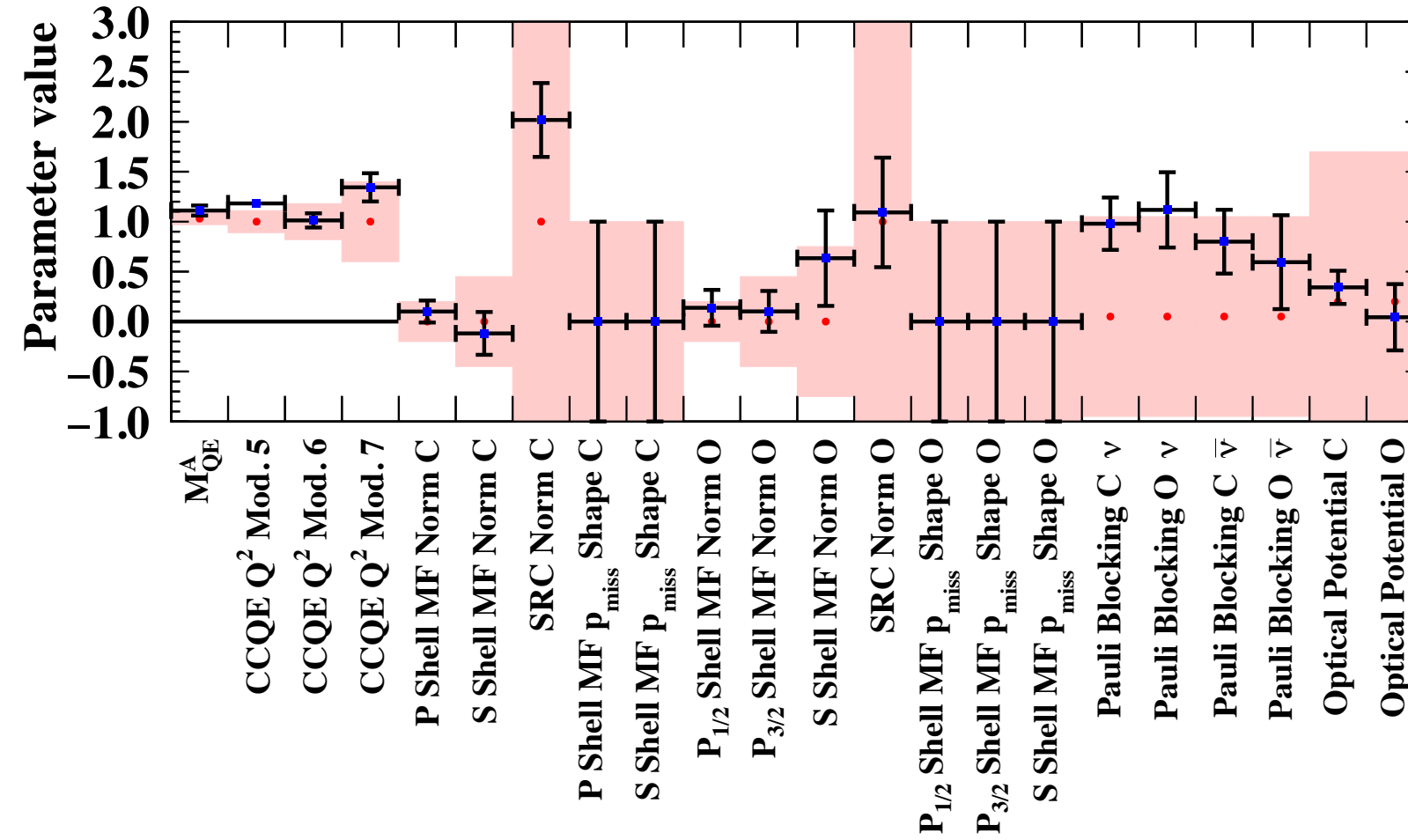
ND280 ν -mode flux parameters

T2K Run1-10, 2022 Preliminary



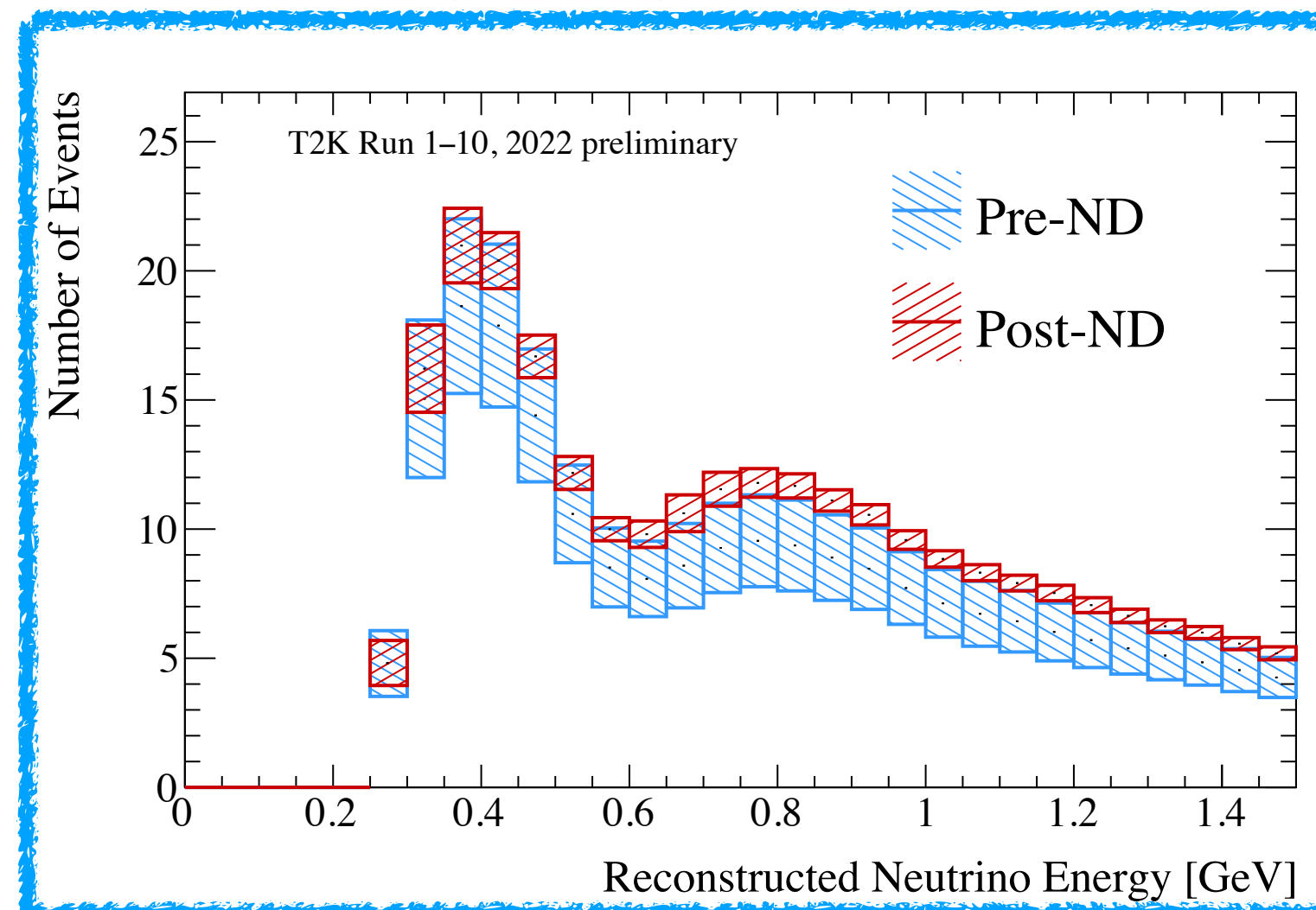
CCQE x-sec parameters

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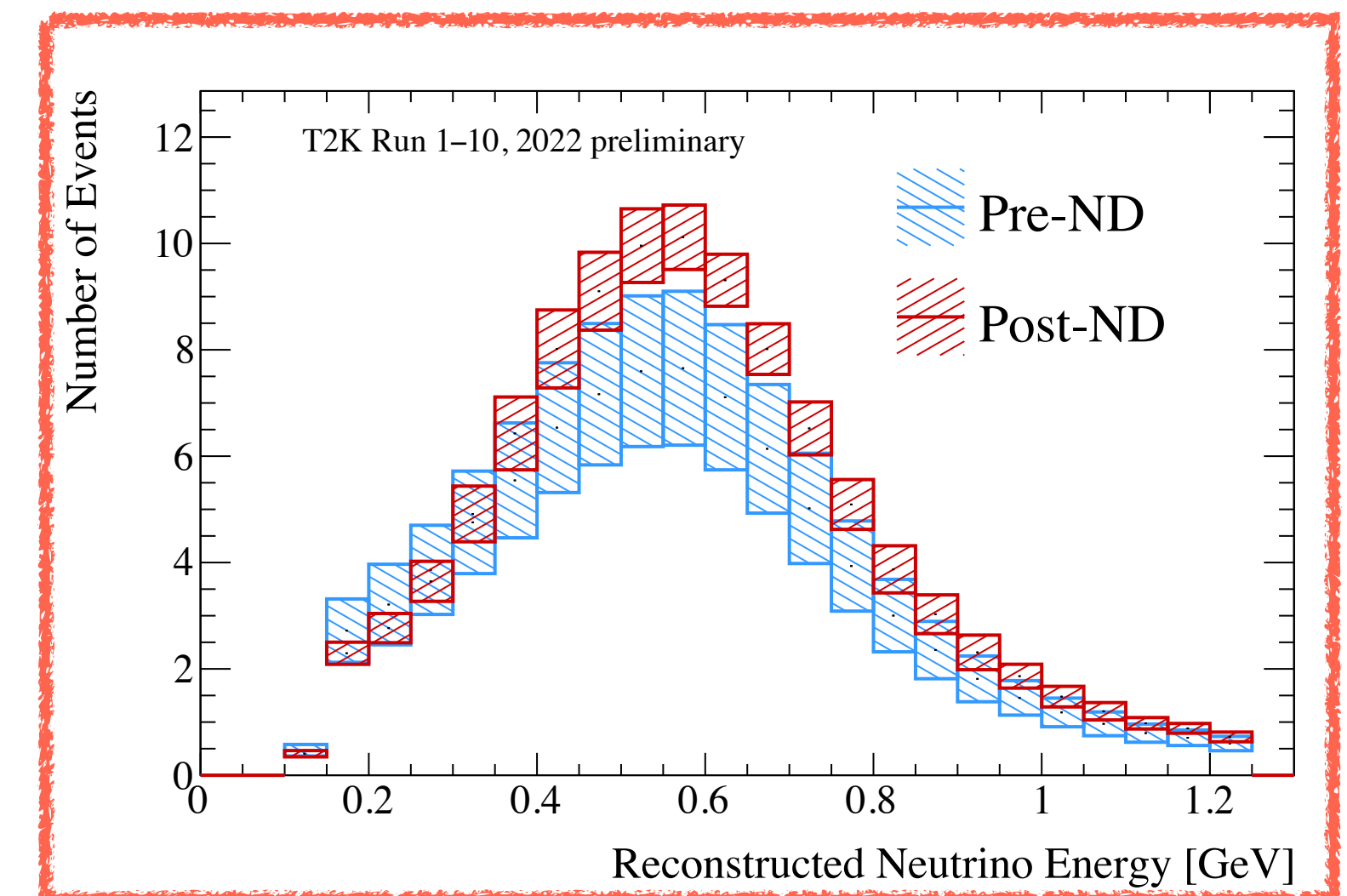


- Tune and reduce uncertainties from flux and cross-section systematics
- Correlate flux and cross-section to predict expected spectra at the Far Detector

SK Single ring μ -like sample



SK single ring e-like sample



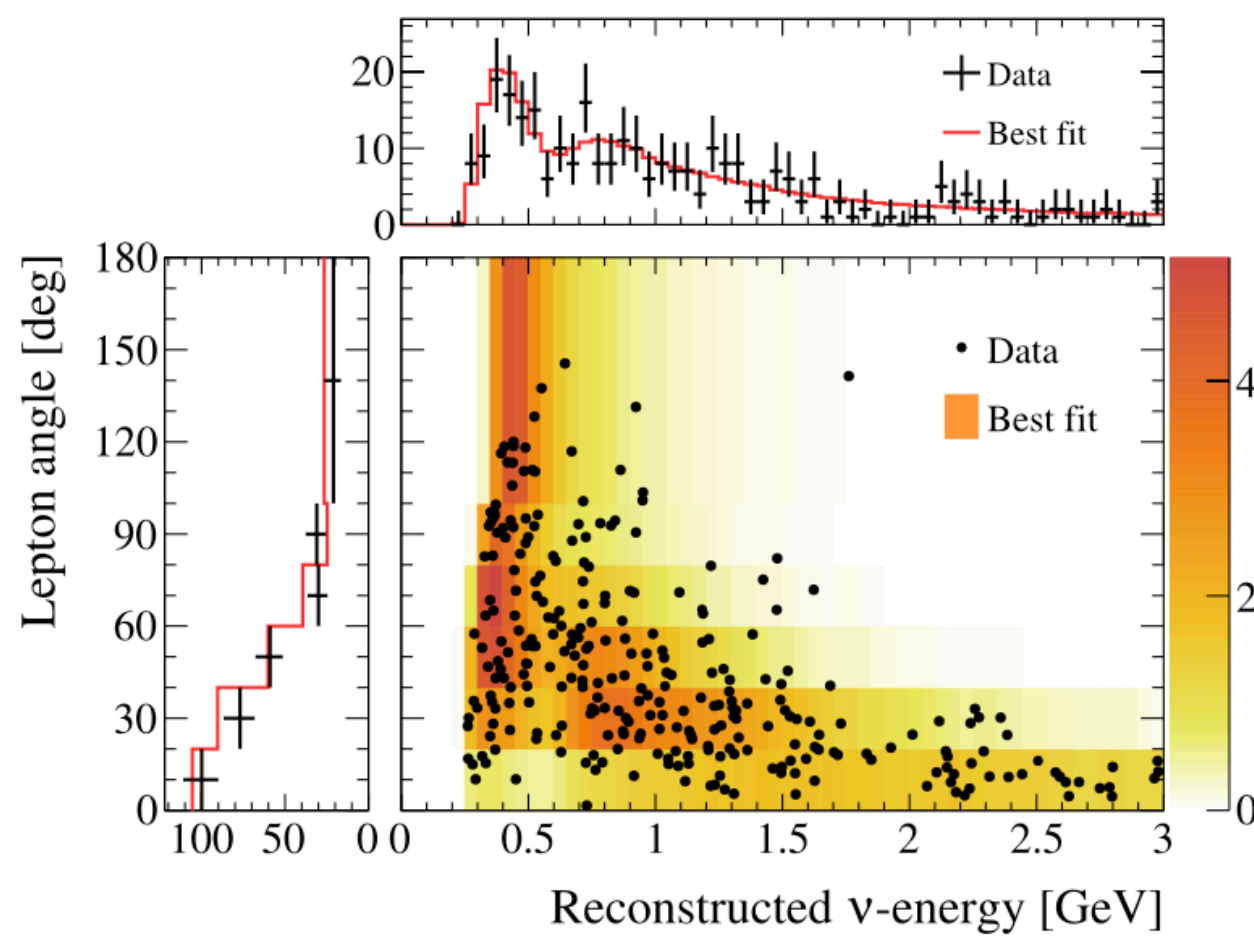
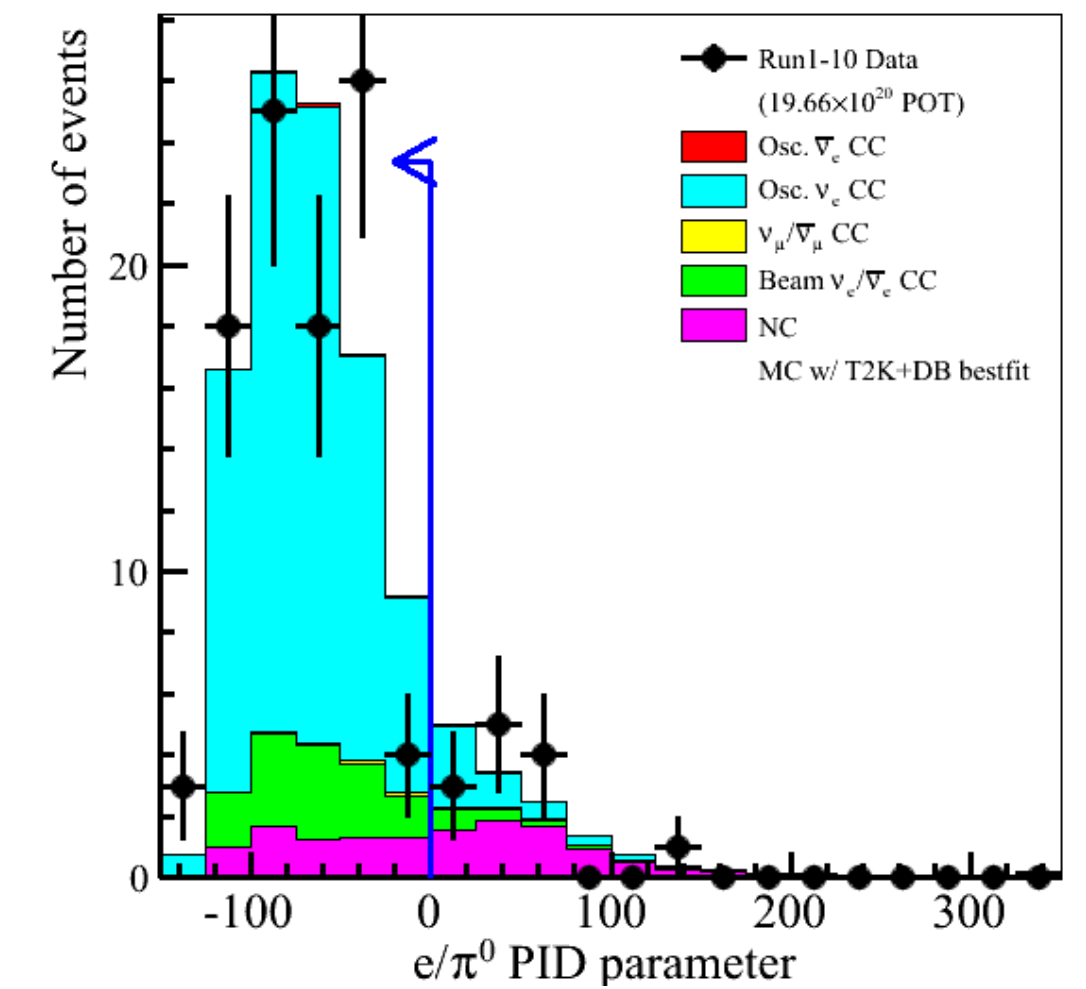
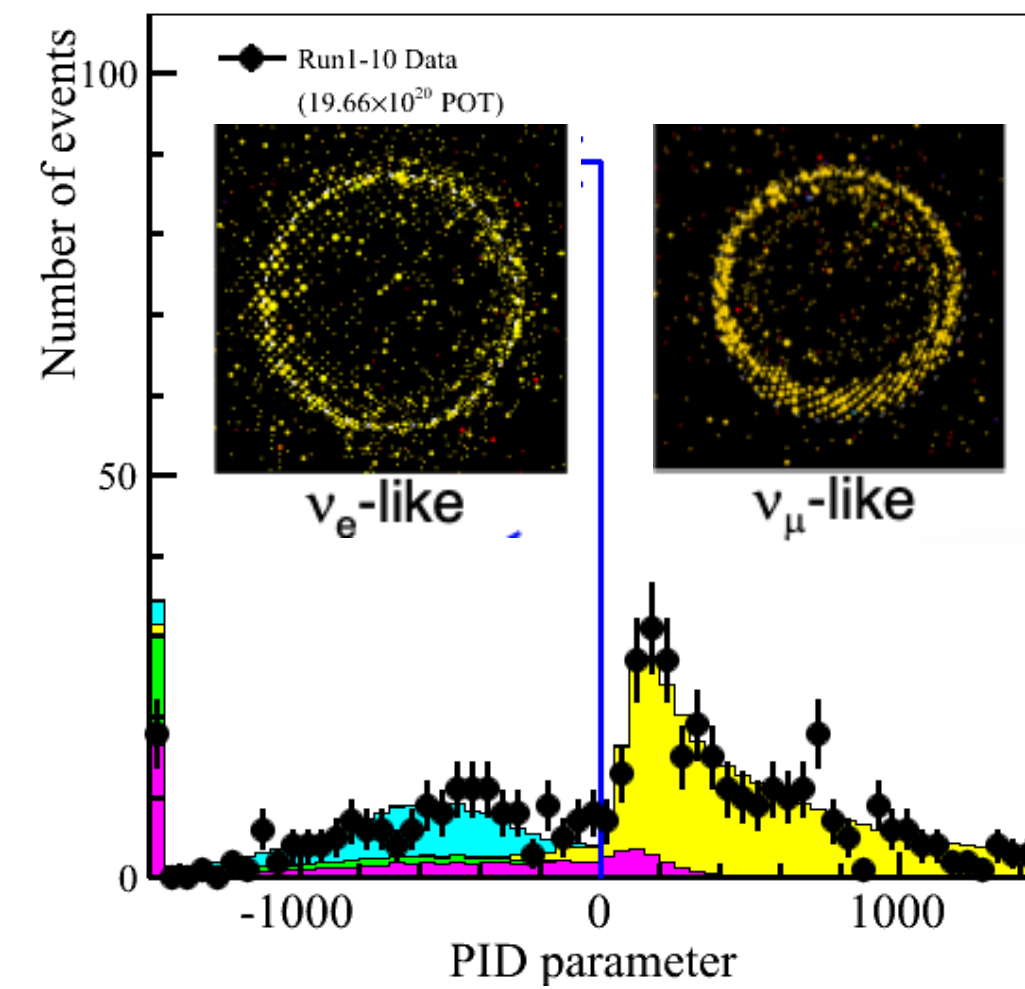
Sample	Pre-ND fit	Post-ND fit
ν -mode 1R μ	16.7%	3.4%
ν -mode 1Re	17.3%	5.2%
ν -mode MR	12.5%	4.9%
ν -mode 1Re+d.e.	20.9%	14.3%
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1R μ	14.6%	3.9%
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1Re	14.4%	5.8%

SK selections

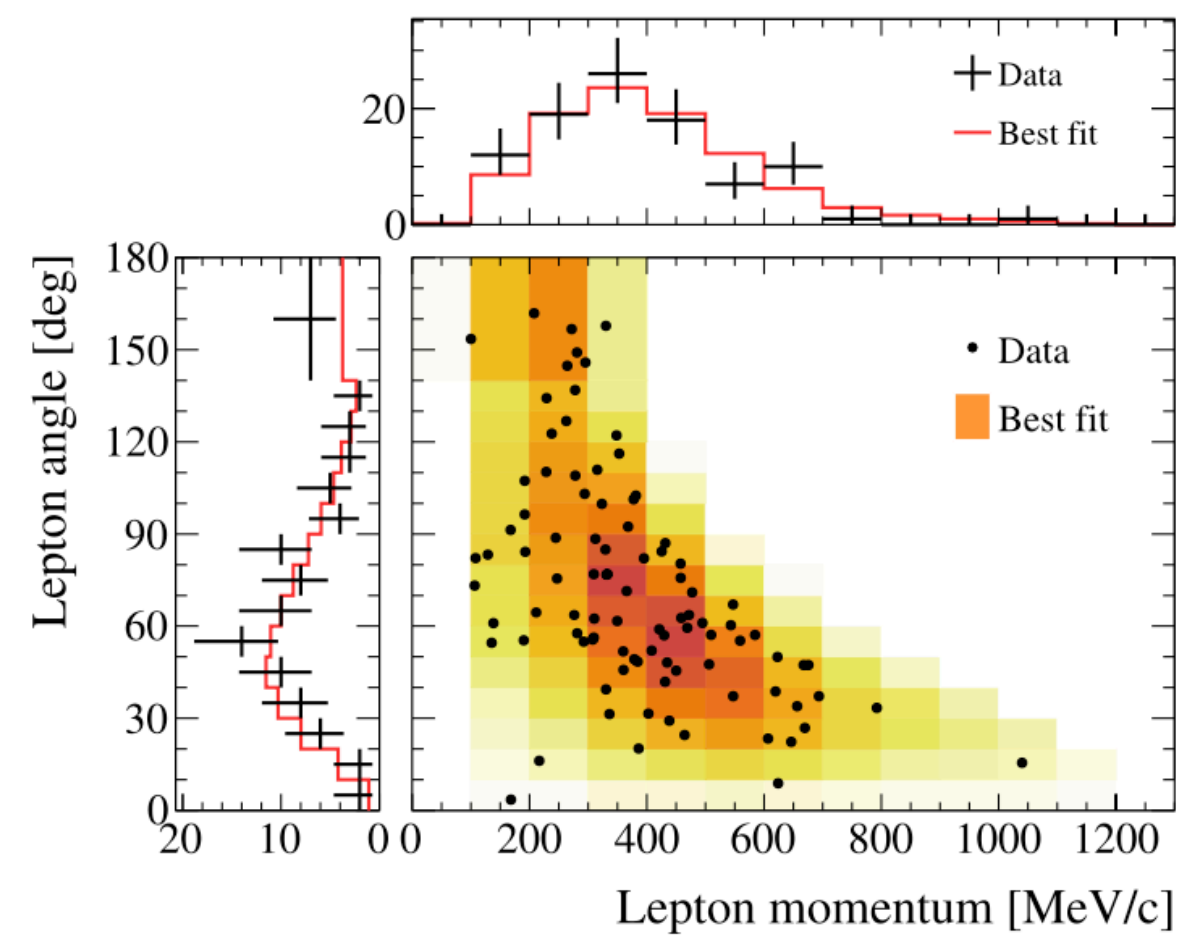
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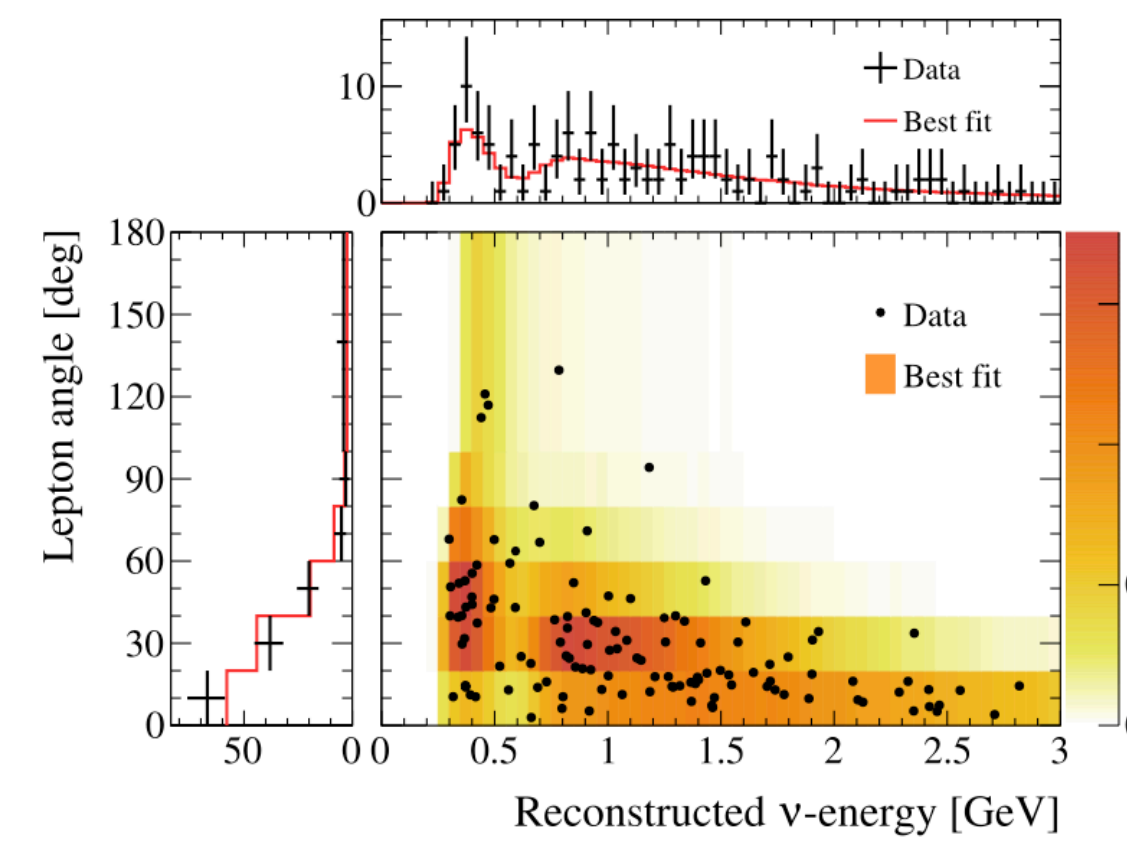
- Single ring (mostly CCQE)
- PID to distinguish e from μ and e from π^0
- Reconstruct momentum and angle of the lepton \rightarrow neutrino energy through QE formula



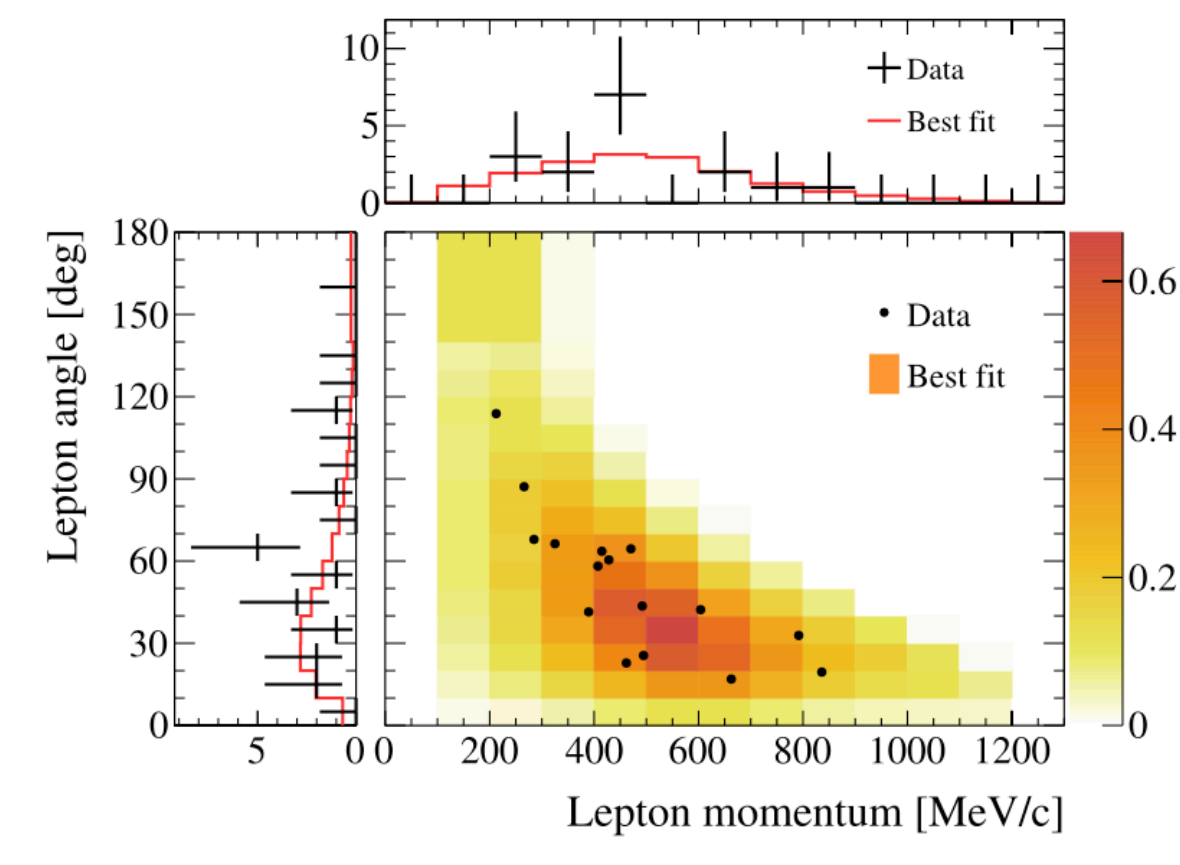
ν -mode 1 $R\mu$



ν -mode 1 Re



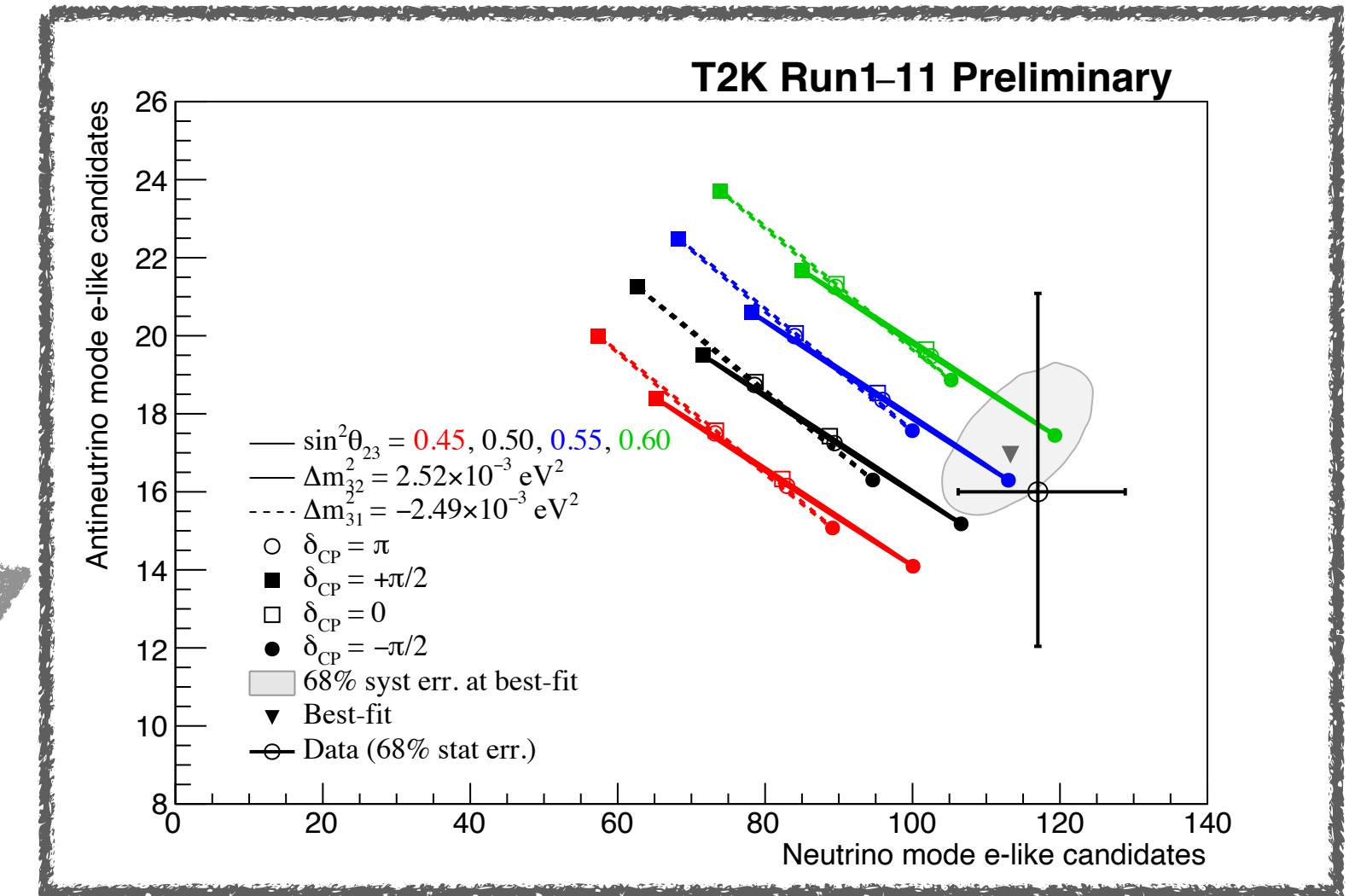
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1 $R\mu$



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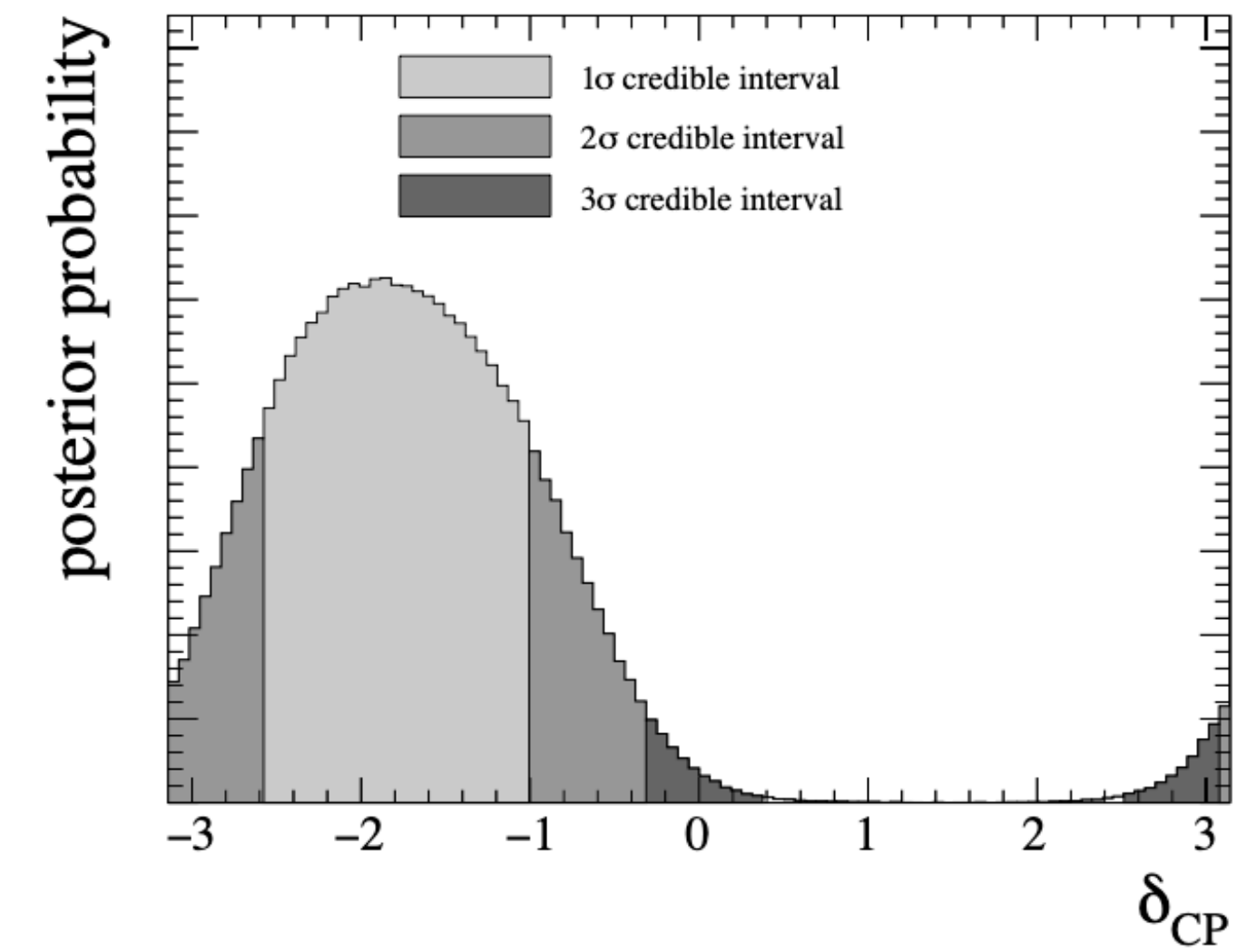
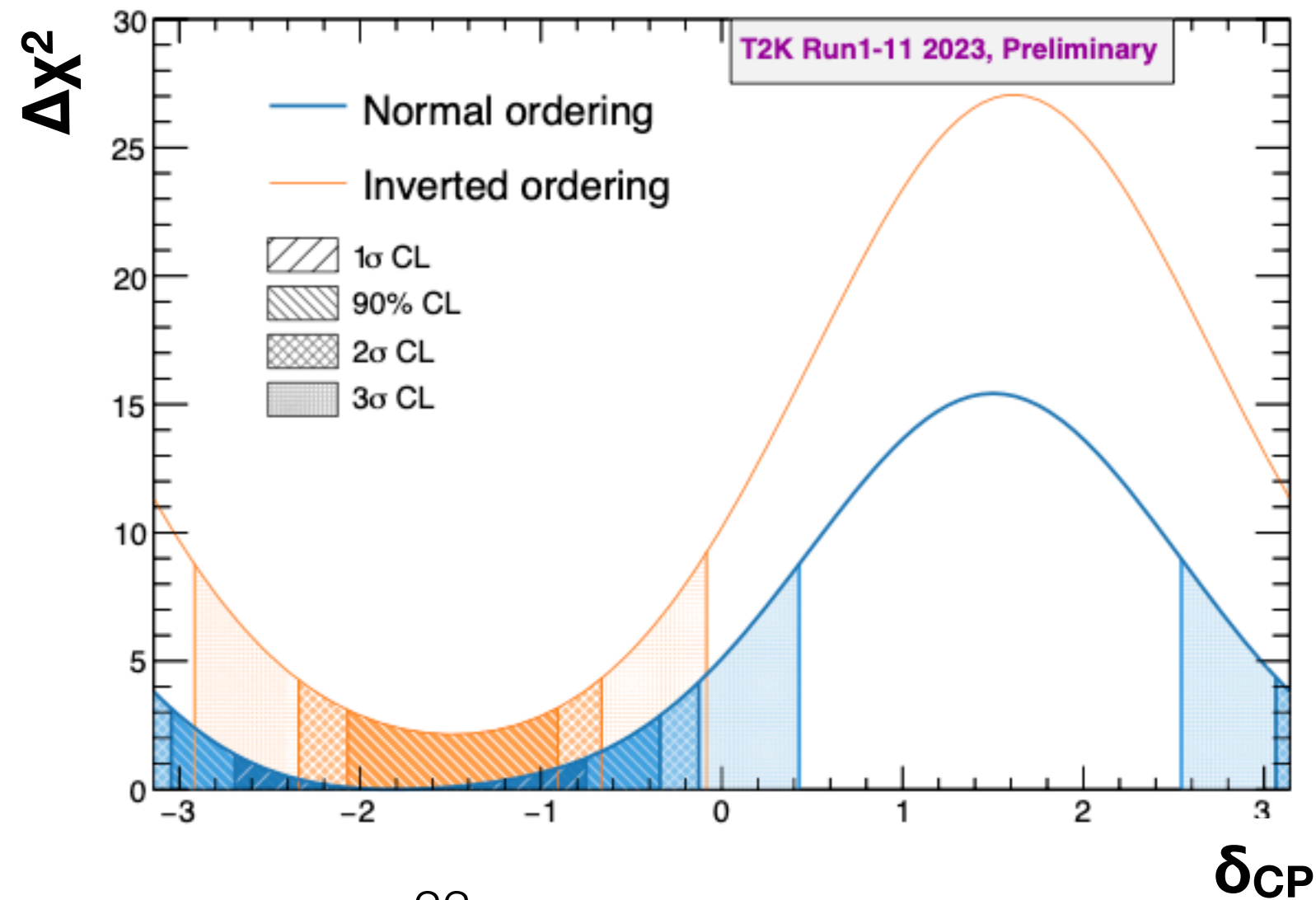
Oscillation analysis results

Sample	$\delta_{CP}=-\pi/2$	$\delta_{CP}=0$	$\delta_{CP}=\pi/2$	$\delta_{CP}=\pi$	Data
ν -mode 1R μ	417.2	416.3	417.1	418.2	357
ν -mode MR	123.9	123.3	123.9	124.4	140
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1R μ	146.6	146.3	146.6	147.0	137
ν -mode 1Re	113.2	95.5	78.3	96.0	102
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1Re+d.e.	10.0	8.8	7.2	8.4	15
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode 1Re	17.6	20.0	22.2	19.7	16



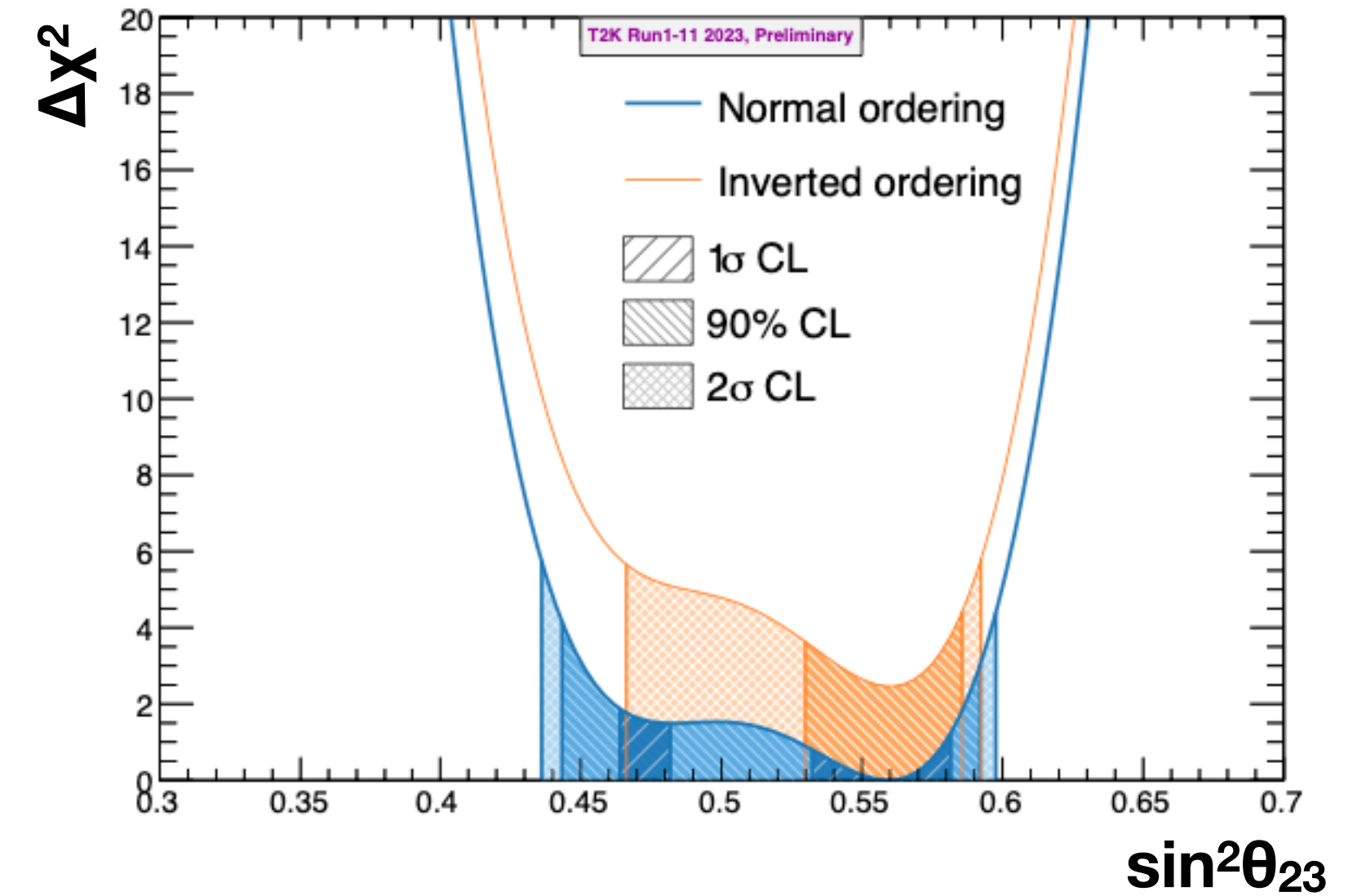
Credible intervals marginalized over both hierarchies

- Preference for $\delta_{CP} \sim -\pi/2$ but CP conserving values are within the 2σ interval

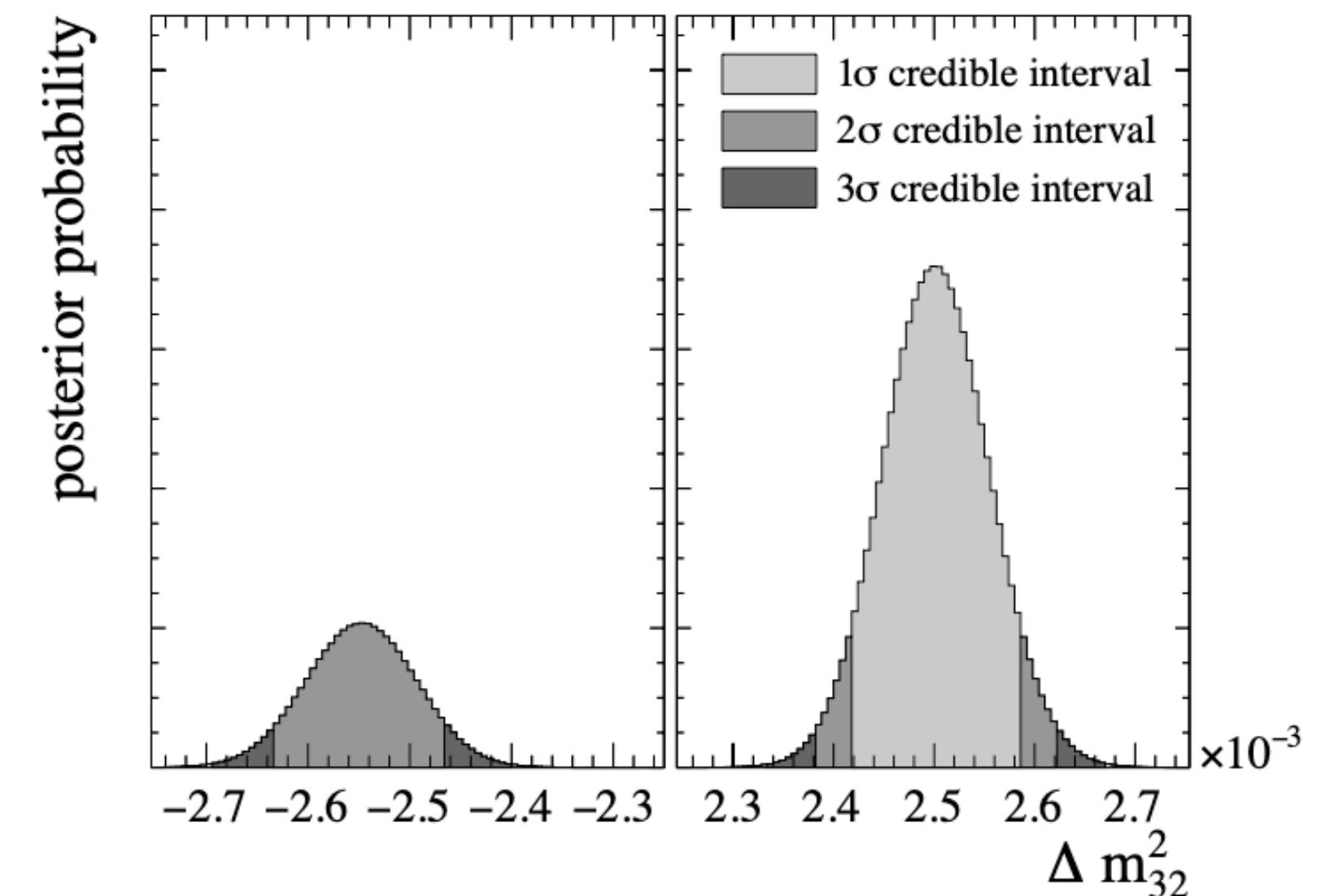


Mass ordering and θ_{23} octant

- Slight preference for normal ordering and upper octant but none of them is significant
 - Bayes factor NO/IO = 3.3
 - Bayes factor $(\theta_{23} > 0.5) / (\theta_{23} < 0.5) = 2.6$

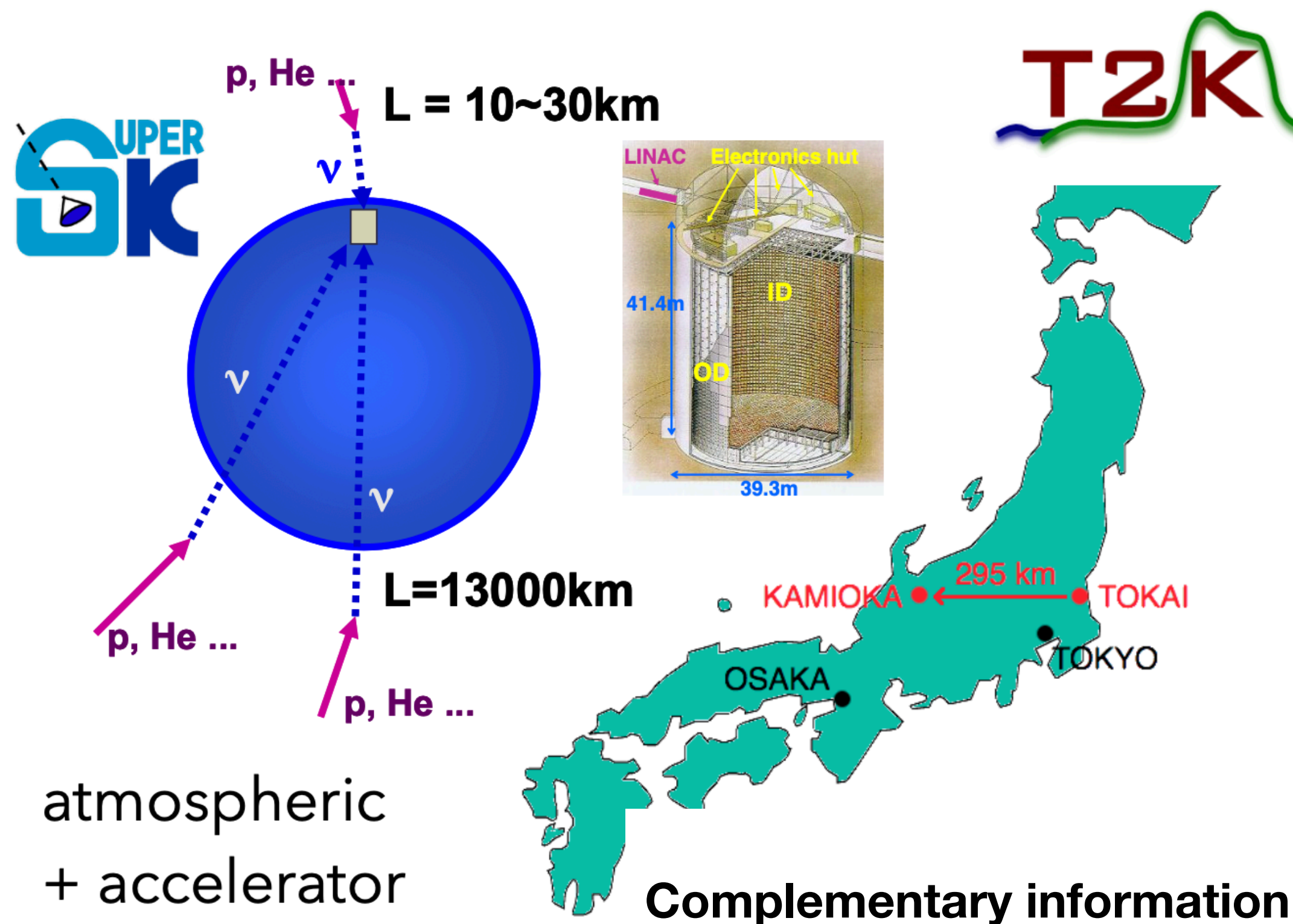


	$\sin^2 \theta_{23} < 0.5$	$\sin^2 \theta_{23} > 0.5$	Sum
NH ($\Delta m_{32}^2 > 0$)	0.23	0.54	0.77
IH ($\Delta m_{32}^2 < 0$)	0.05	0.18	0.23
Sum	0.28	0.72	1.00



Joint analyses

- In 2023 we released two joint analyses
- T2K+NOvA combination → in back-up if you are interested don't hesitate to ask!
- T2K+SK combination

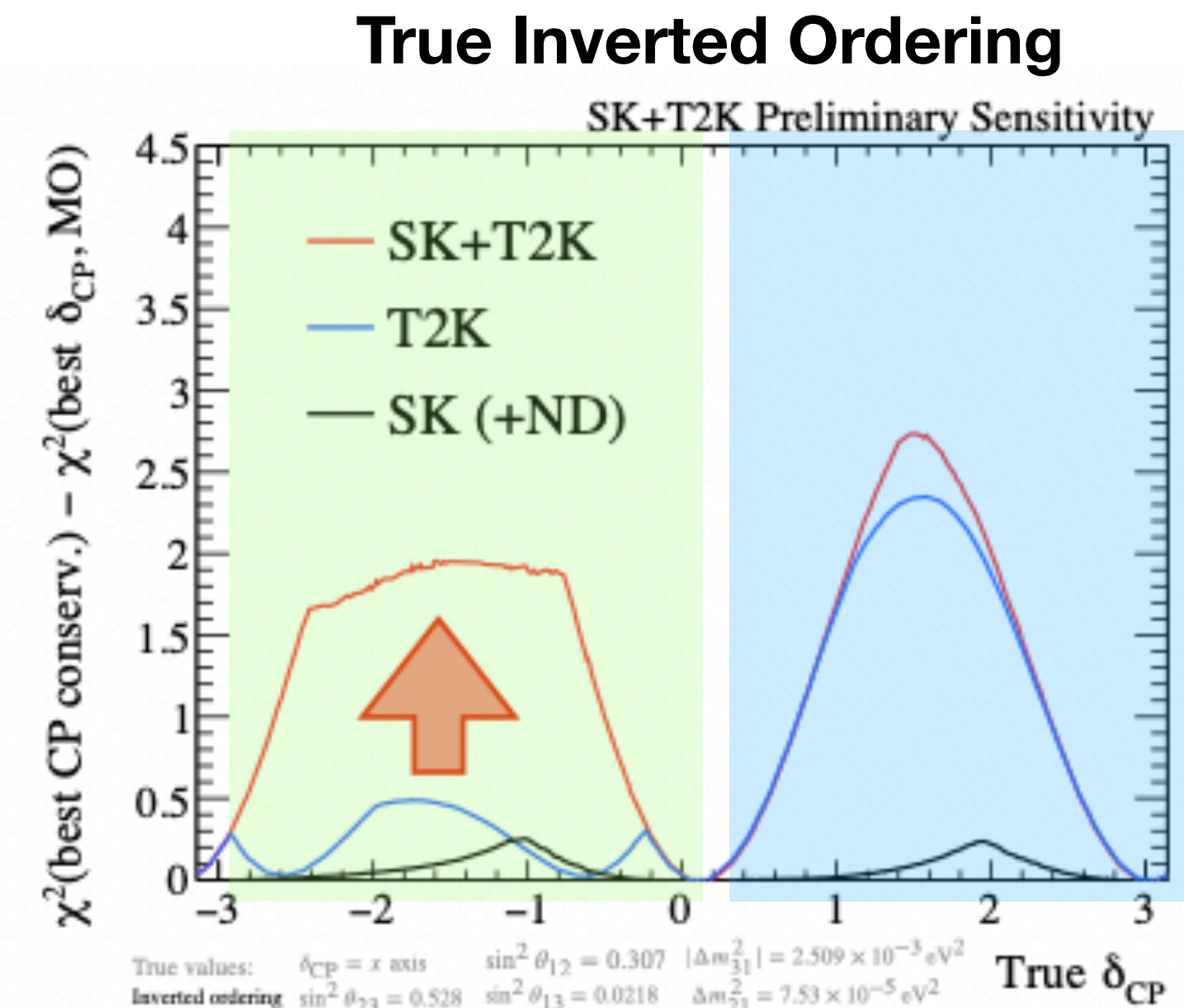
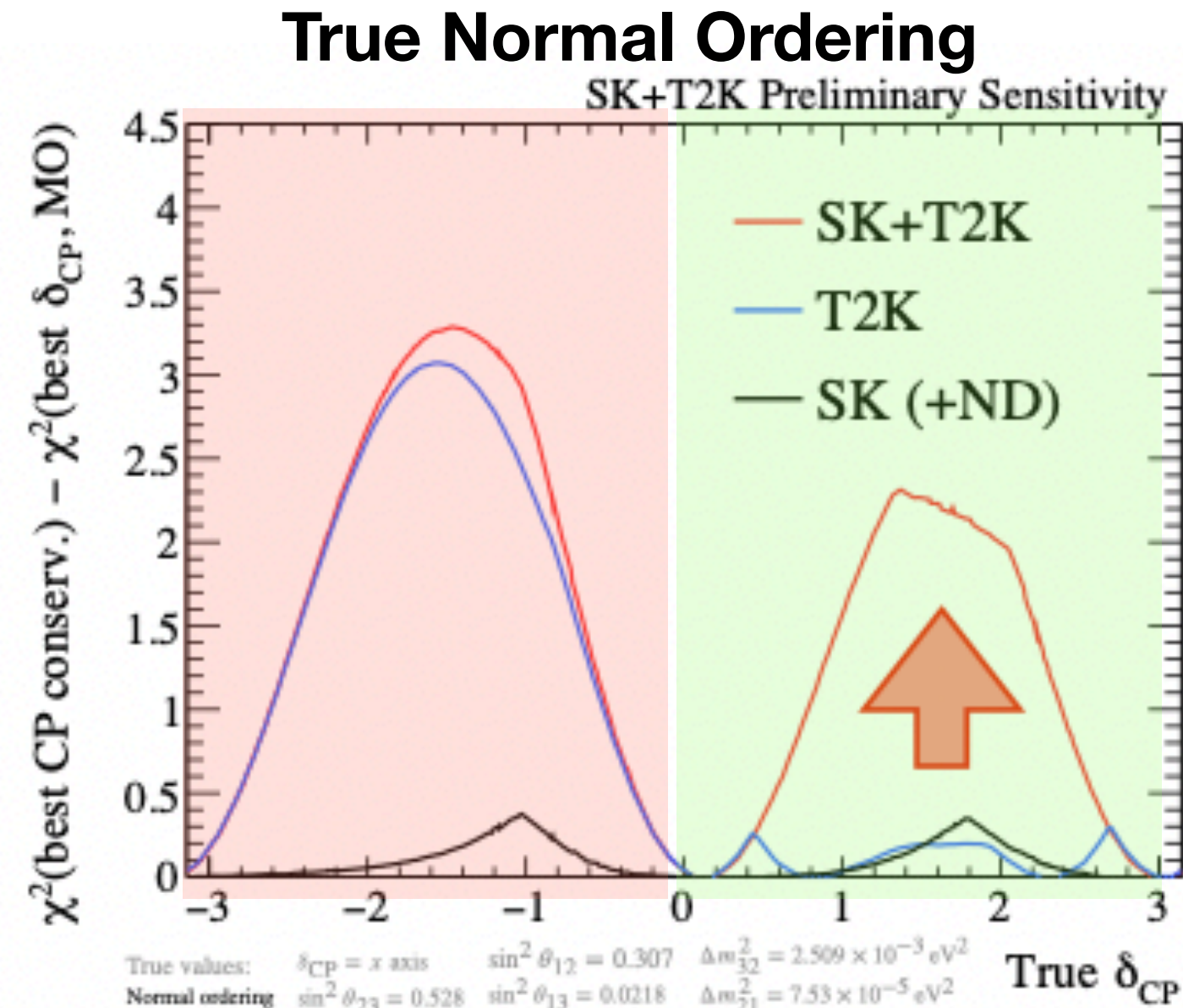
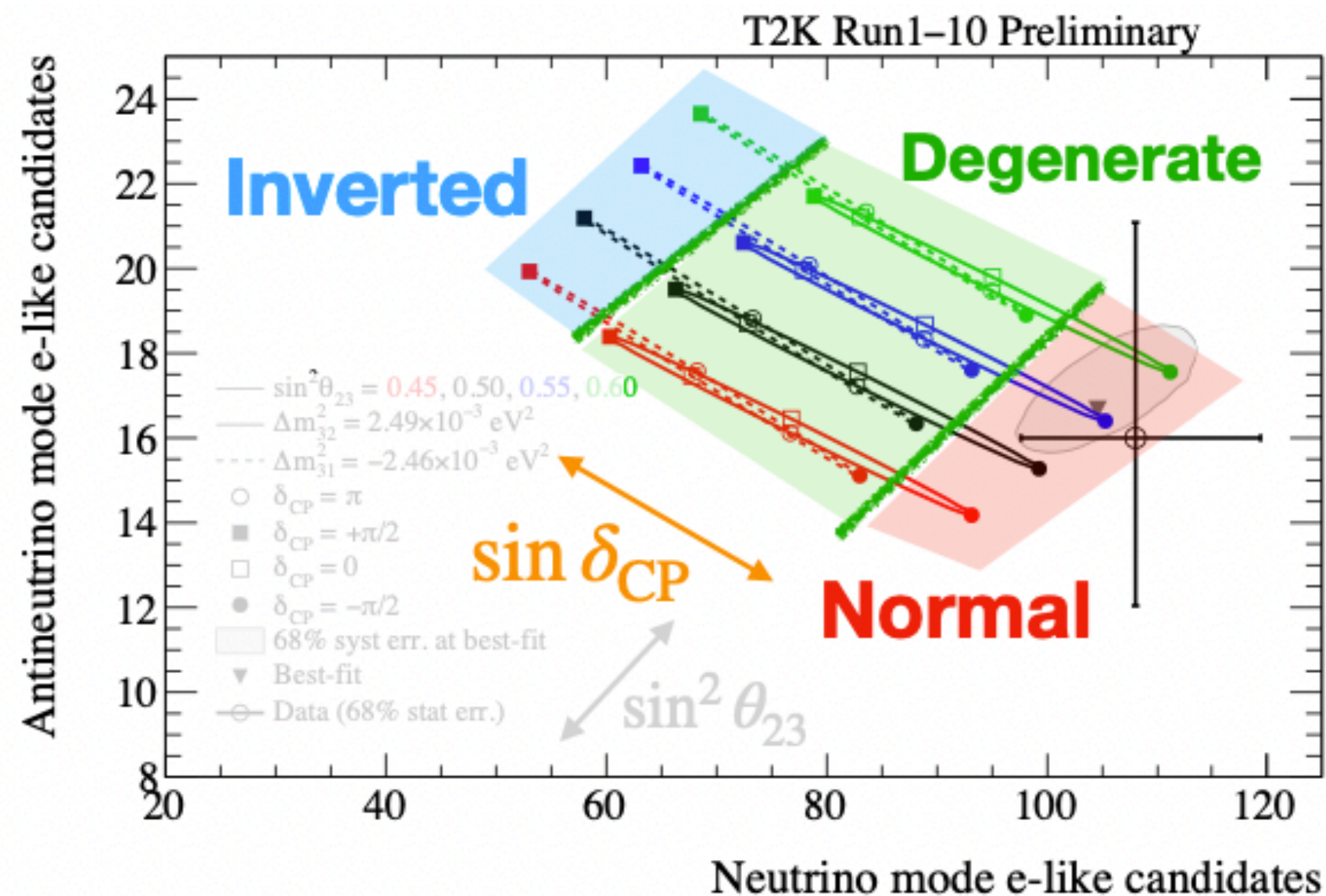


T2K data as in [Phys.Rev.D 108 \(2023\) 7, 072011](#) - (5 samples) POT: 3.6×10^{21}

SK-IV data (18 samples) before Gd doping
[PTEP 2019 \(2019\) 5, 053F01](#) - 3244 days (2008-2018)

T2K+SK joint analysis

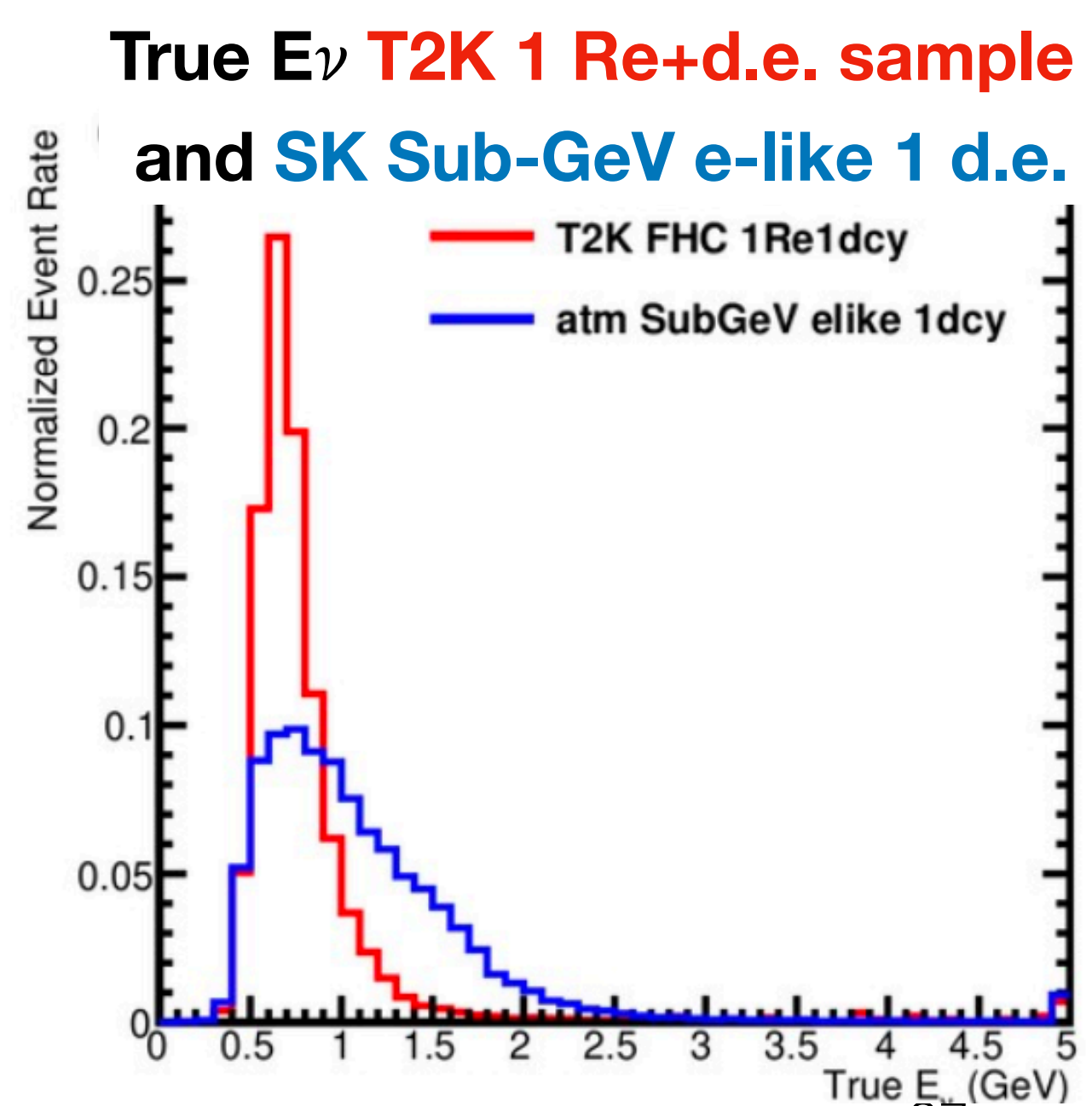
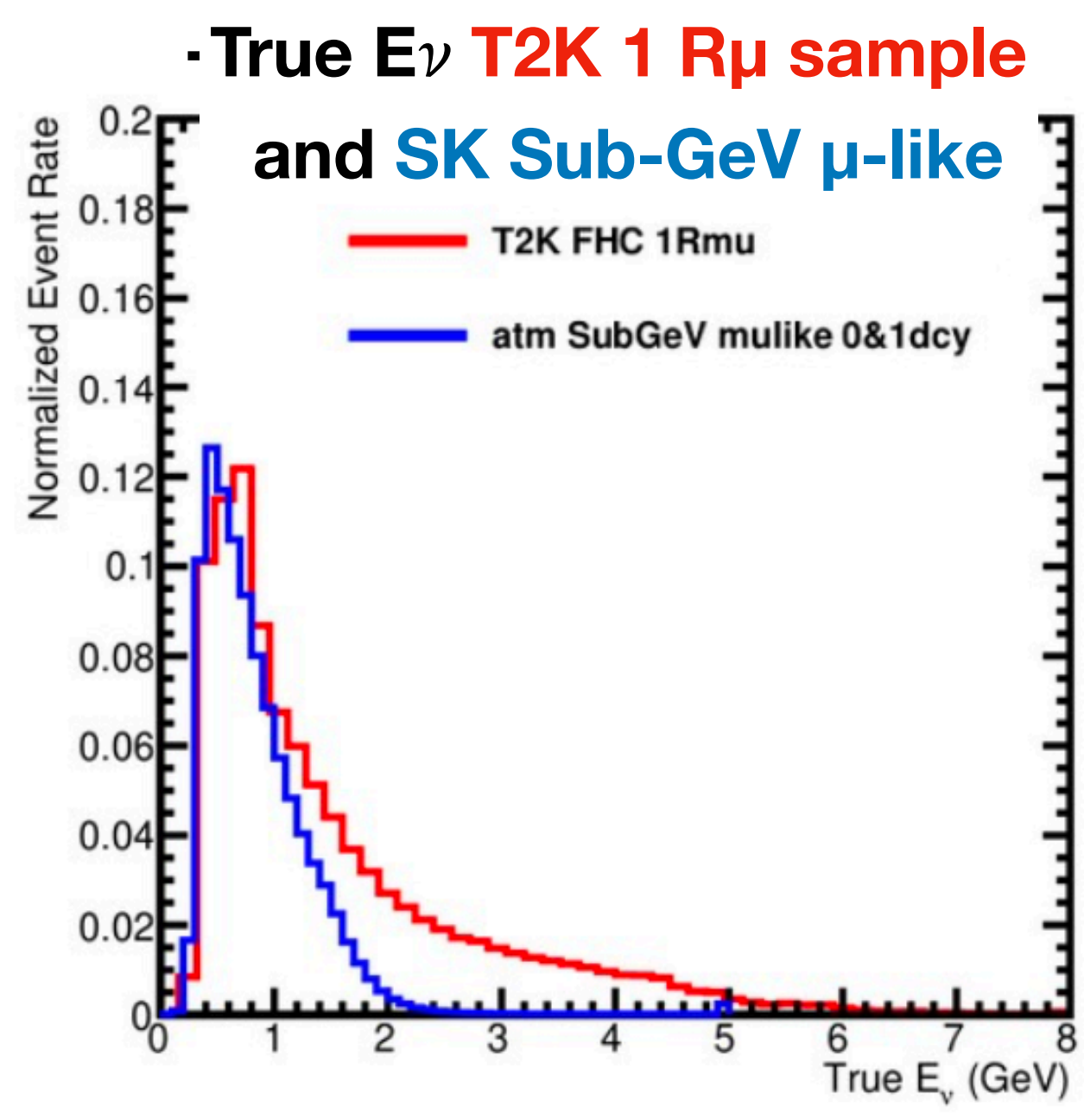
- T2K has good sensitivity to δ_{CP} but mild sensitivity to mass ordering
- SK has good constraint on mass ordering but not on δ_{CP}
- Adding SK atmospheric sample allows to break the degeneracies between the CP violation parameter δ_{CP} and the mass ordering \rightarrow boost sensitivity to CP



T2K+SK model

- Same far detector → unify model and systematic uncertainties when necessary
 - Evaluate correlations in detector systematics between the T2K beam and SK atmospheric samples
 - Develop unified interaction model for T2K beam and SK low-energy samples covering similar energy region

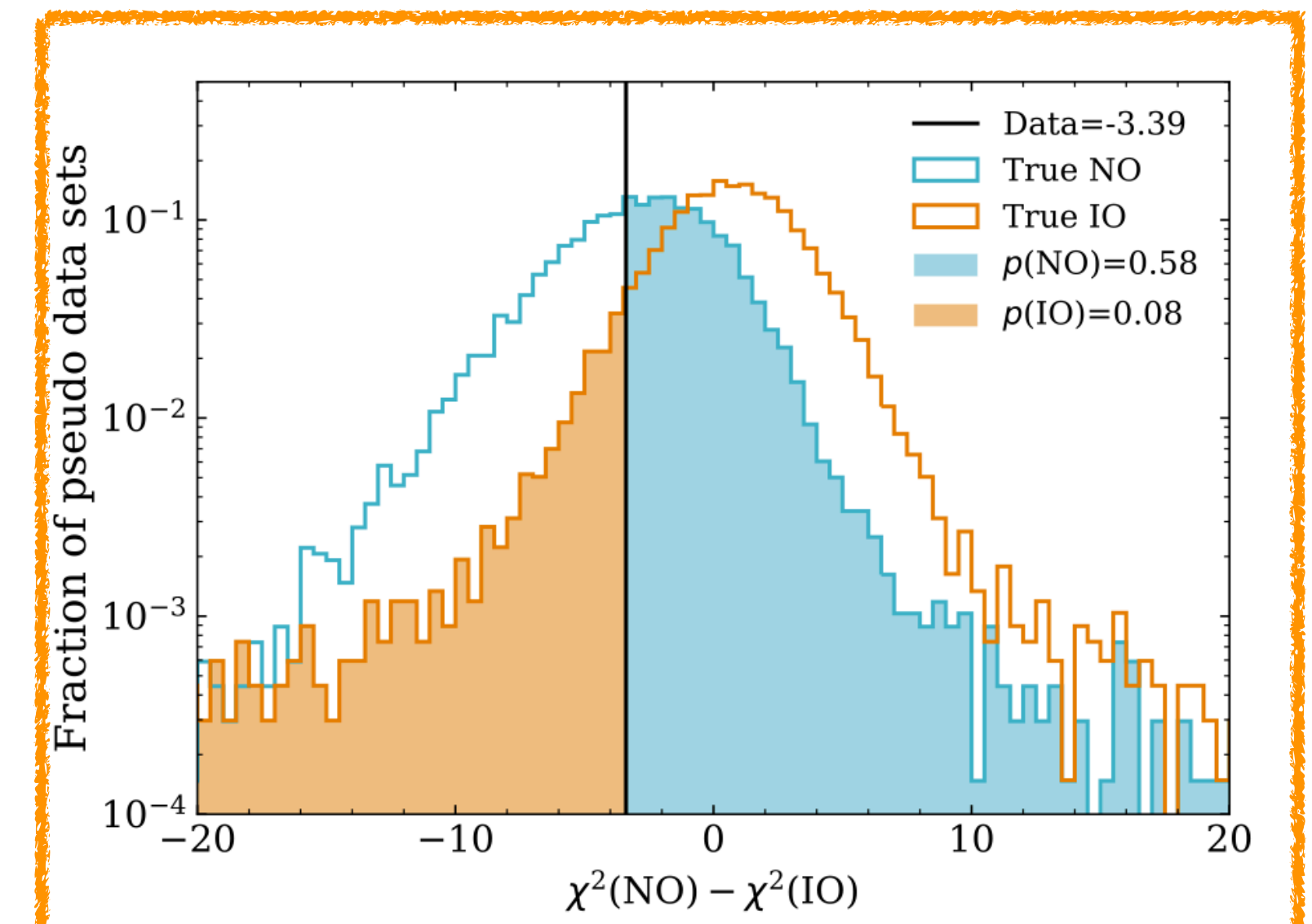
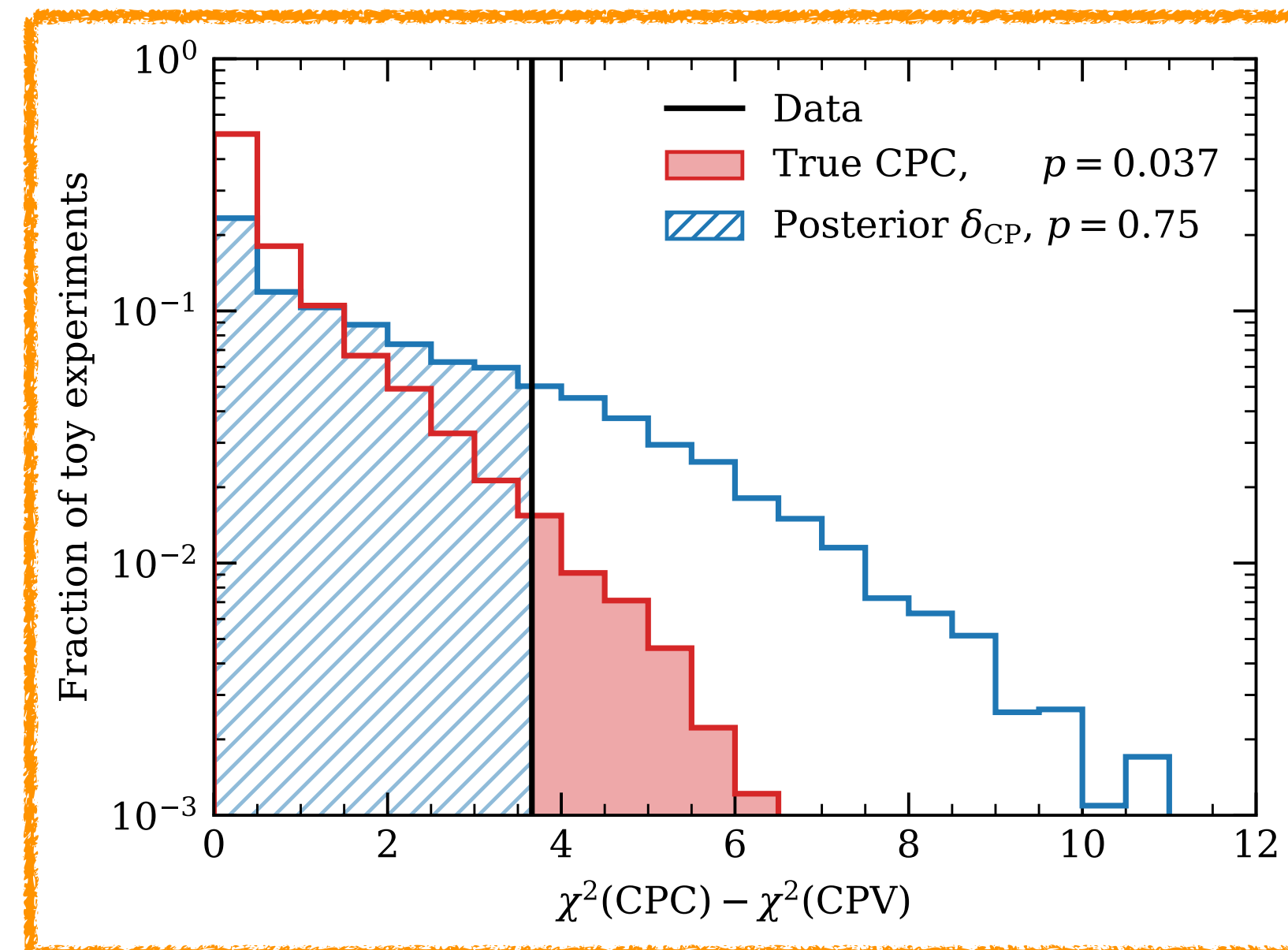
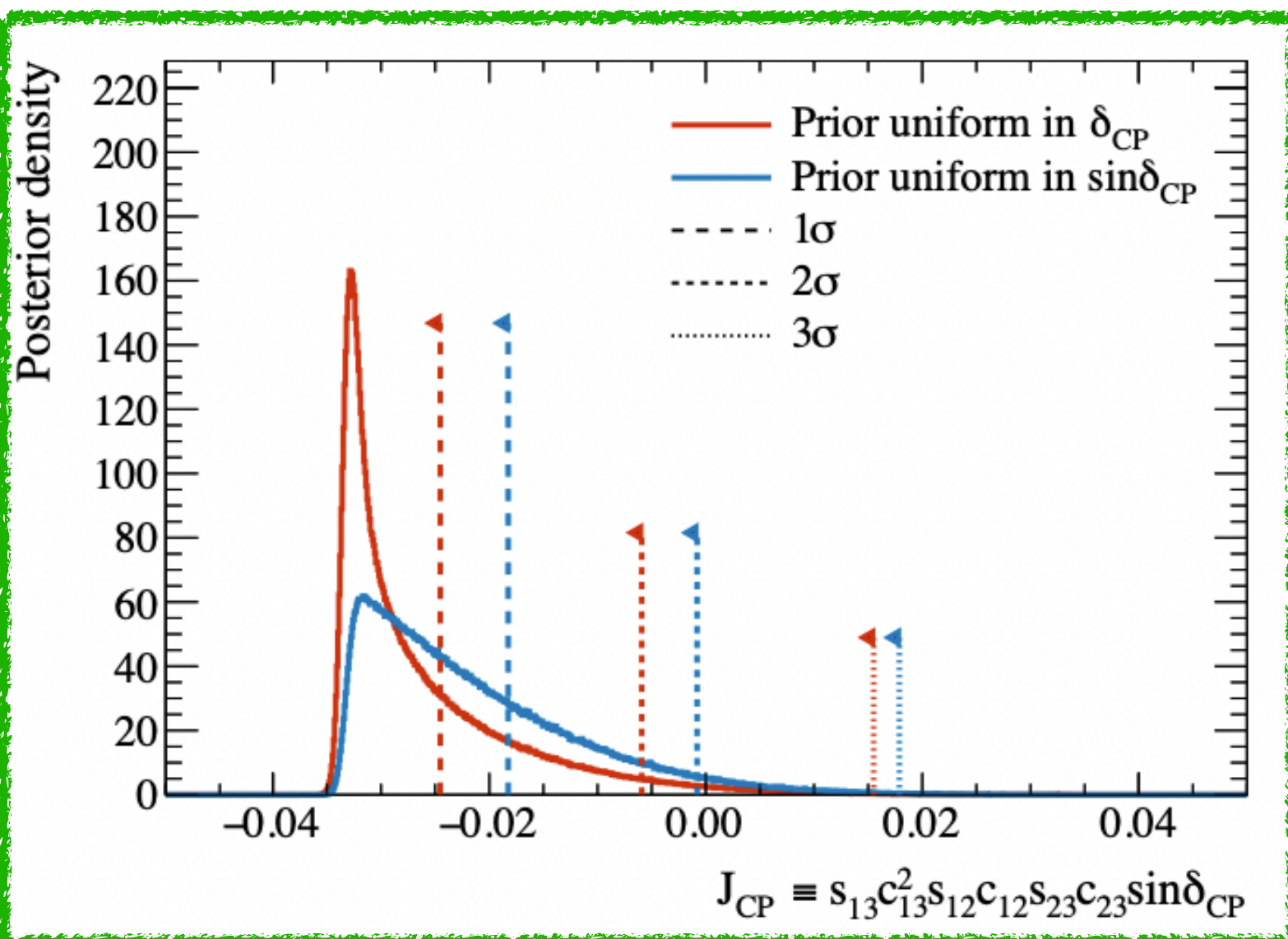
ND280 data used to constraint the cross-section model for SK low-energy samples



	Low-energy sub-GeV atm + beam	High-energy multi-GeV atm
CCQE	T2K model with ND280 constraint, correlated in low-E/highE (except for high- Q^2)	
	high- Q^2 params w/ND280 add ν_e/ν_μ ratio unc. (CRPA)	high- Q^2 params w/o ND
2p2h	T2K model w/ND280	SK model (100% error) + T2K-style shape
Resonant	T2K model w/ND280 + new pion momentum dial + NC1 π 0 uncertainties	SK model for 3 dials common with T2K, use more recent larger T2K priors
DIS	T2K model w/ND280	SK model
ν_τ	SK model (25% norm on top of other syst) for other systematics checked that we have no numerically unstable values	
FSI	T2K model w/ND280	T2K model w/o ND280 should be mostly same as SK model
SI	T2K model, correlated in low-E/high-E only applied to FC and PC for atm, PN not applied to atm	

Results

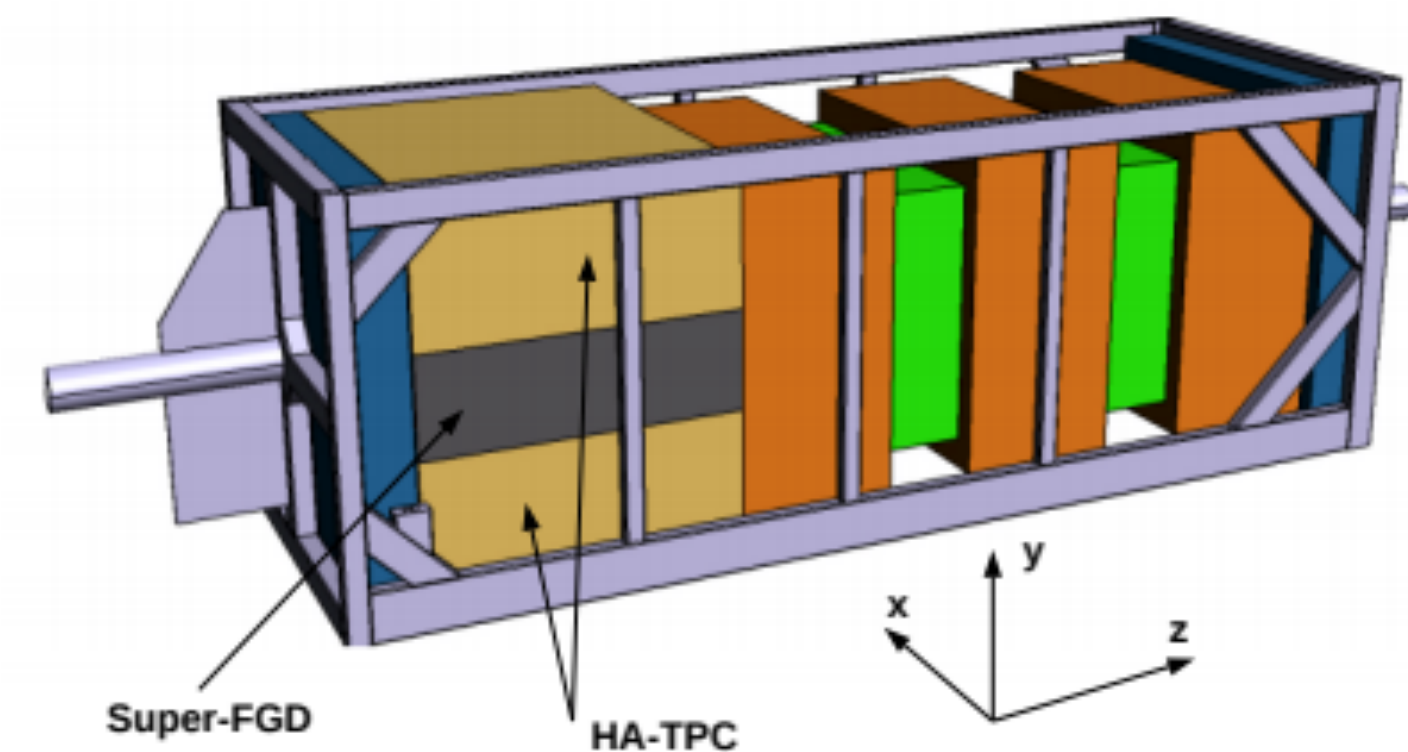
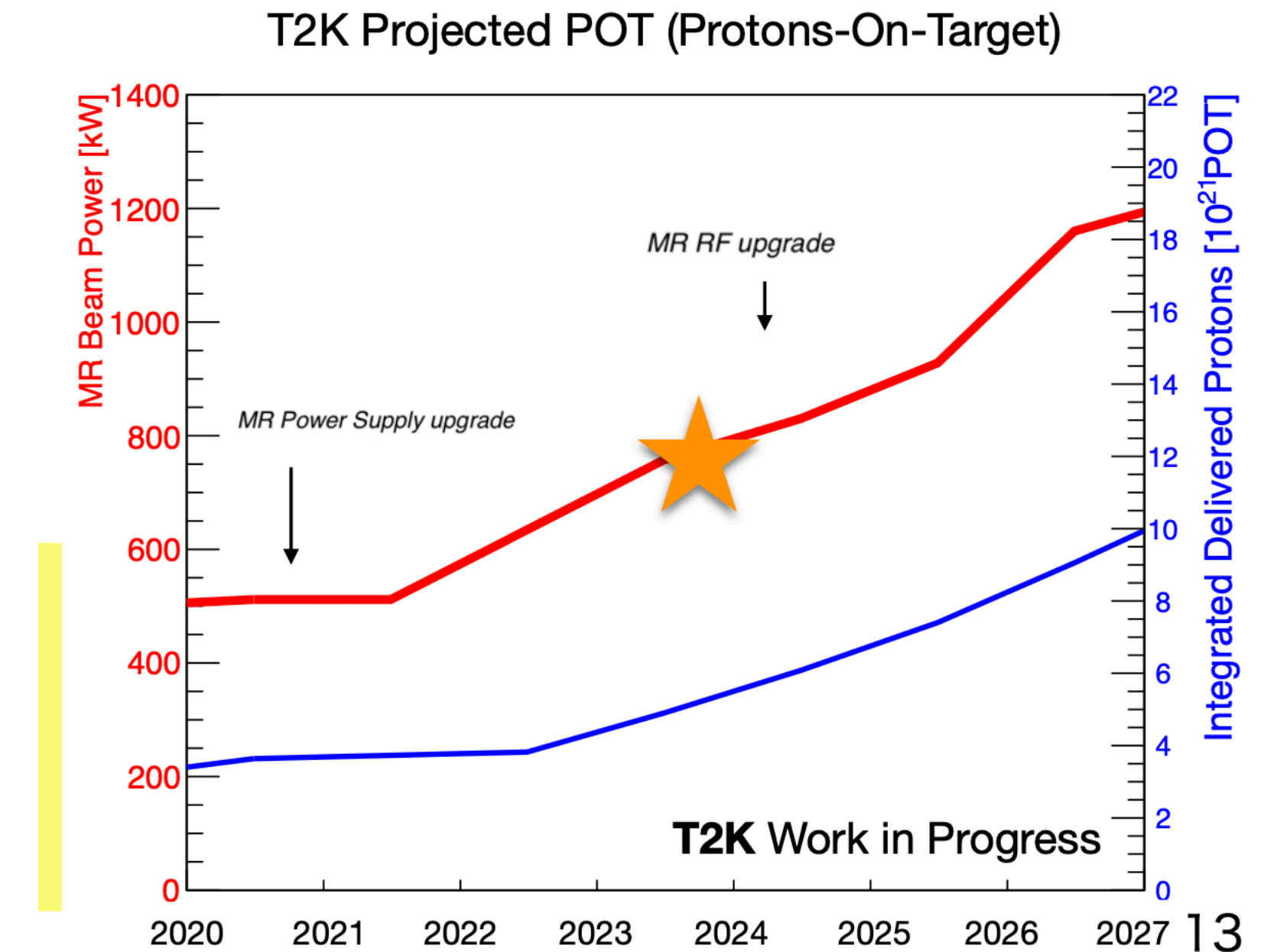
- Both experiments individually prefer normal ordering and $\delta_{CP} \sim -\pi/2$, T2K prefers upper octant, SK prefer lower octant
- We performed **Bayesian** and **Frequentist** analyses \rightarrow frequentist analyses shown today
- The CP-conserving value of the Jarlskog invariant is excluded with a significance between 1.9 and 2 σ
- In the frequentist analysis, p-value for CPC is 0.037 but increase to 0.05 when potential biases due to cross-section mis-modeling are included
- Normal ordering is preferred, p-value for IO 0.08



T2K beamline and Near Detector Upgrades

T2K upgrades

- We started to think to this upgrades in ~2018
- Bridge between T2K and Hyper-K coming online in 2027
- Necessary upgrades of the beamline to increase beam power
- T2K pre-upgrade (500 kW) → Goal is to reach 1.3 MW for HK
- Near Detector upgrade to reduce systematics uncertainties



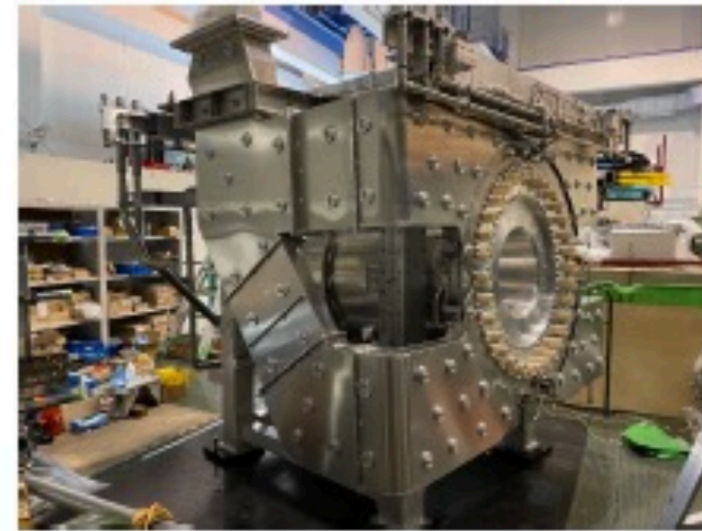
Neutrino beamline upgrades

- Replacement of Main Ring power supplies to allow for higher repetition rate from 2.48s to 1.36s
- Several upgrades done on the neutrino beamline to cope with higher beam power
- Horn being operated at 320 kA instead of 250 kA → ~10% increase in the ν flux

New horn PS for 320 kA/1Hz operation

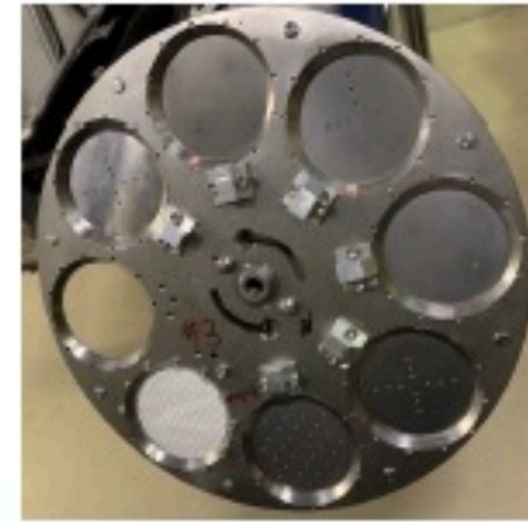


New horns 1 and 2



Increasing cooling capability for the heat generated by beam

New OTR



Improving performance of beam monitors

New FVD2 magnet



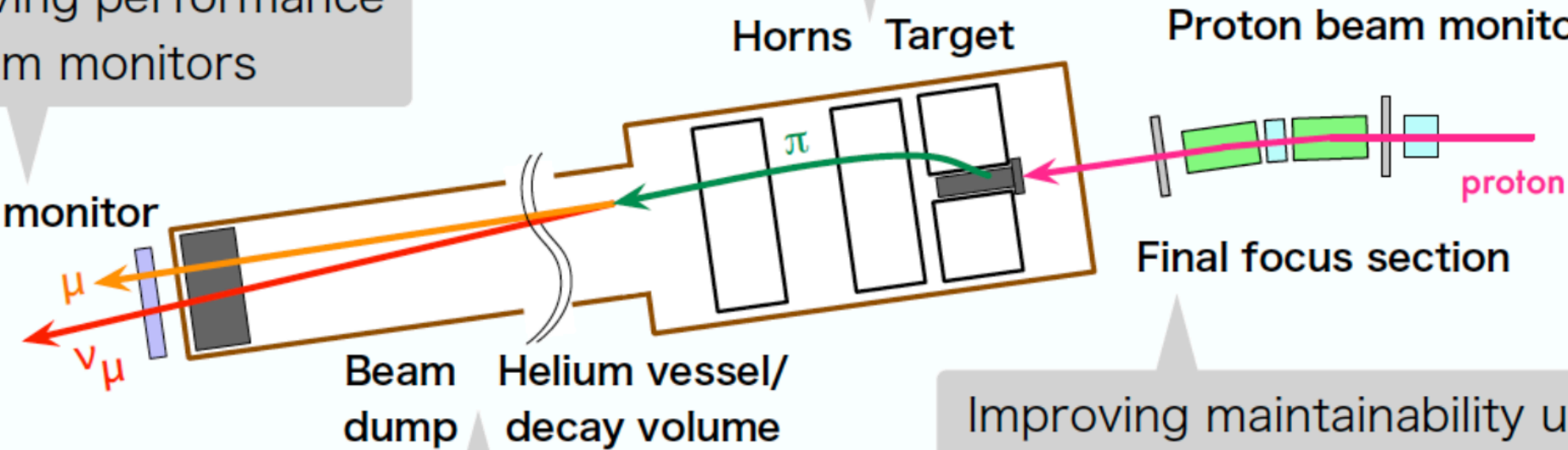
New short FVD2 installed

New target



New MUMON Si (Half sensors)

Improving performance of beam monitors



Increasing capability of radio-active waste handling

Improving maintainability under higher radio-active environment

New water tank for radioactive water disposal



New target cooling system

Towards higher beam power

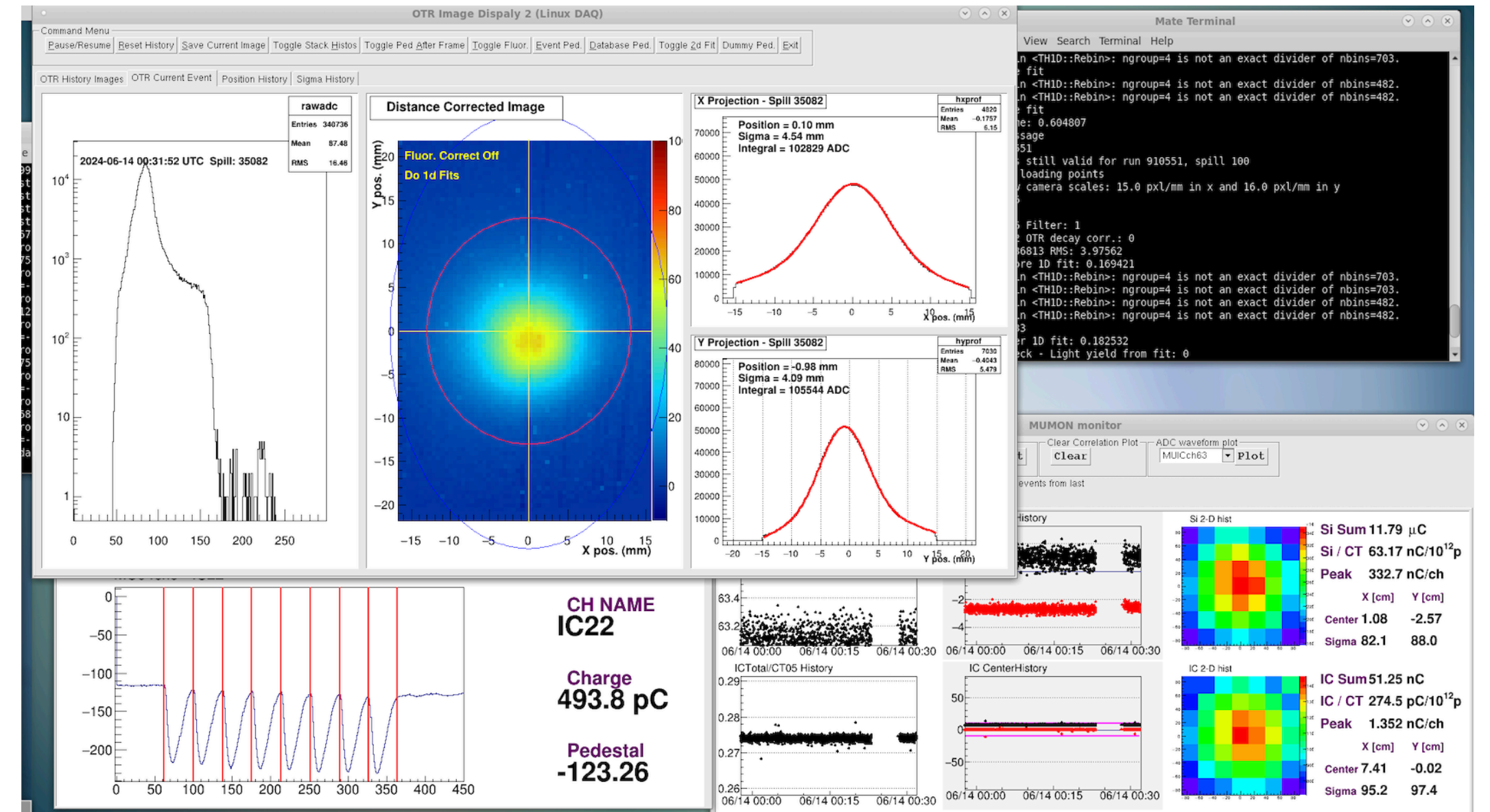
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MR Shot# 2448782
(2024/06/14 09:33:58)
NU Run# 910576
Event# 61240
Spill# 8358153
Deliv. p# (this J-PARC run) 3.88838e+20
Deliv. p# (2010/Jan/1~) 4.21035e+21

Last shot MR Power is **800.9 [kW]**
(2024/06/14 09:33:58)

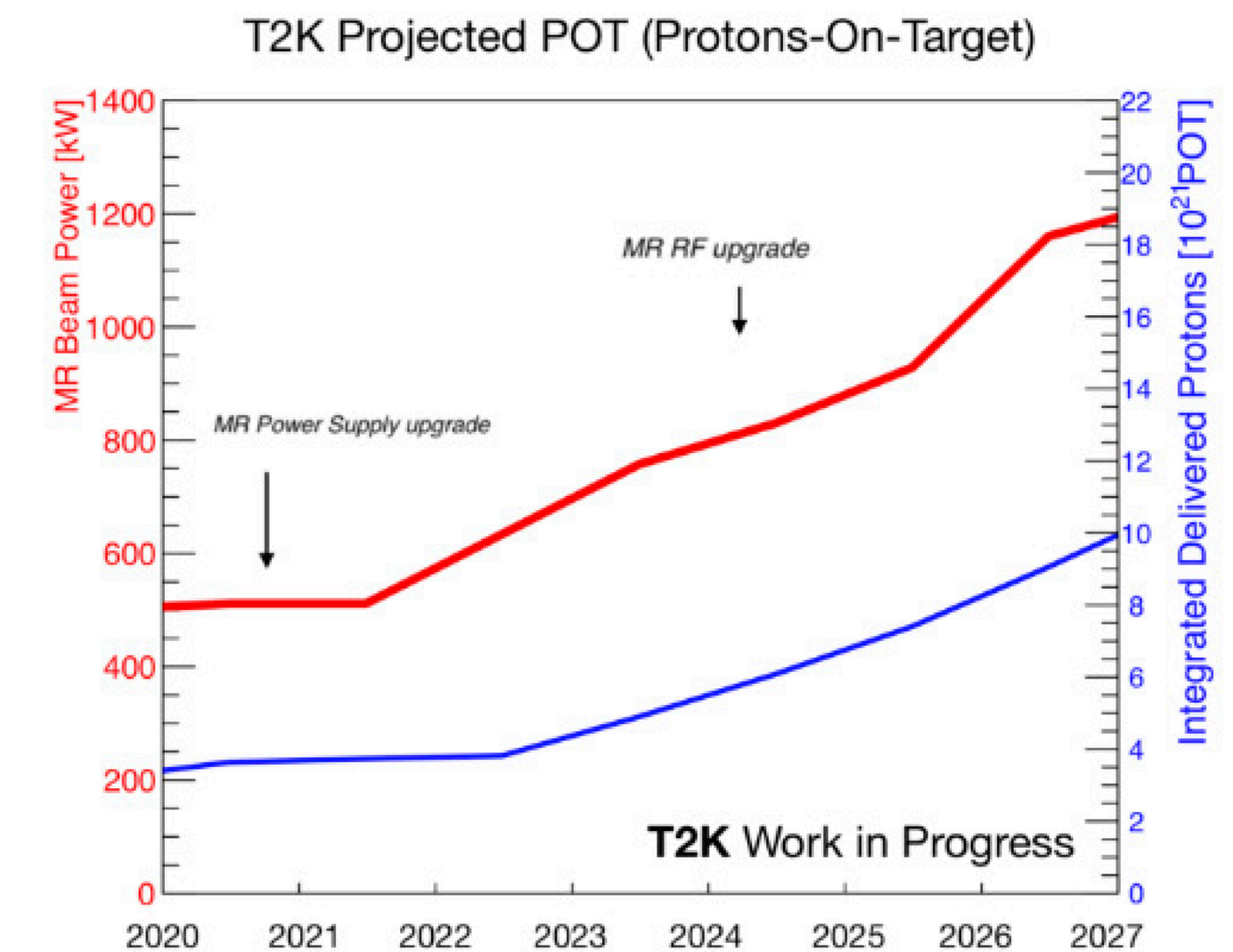
MR DCCT_073_1 measurement : 2.2657e+14 [protons per spill]
NU CT01 measurement : 2.2628e+14 [protons per spill]

Parameter values :
LI current: 60.02 [mA]
MR micro pulse: 400 [usec]
MR chop width: 455 [nsec]
MR thinning: 110/128
MR # of bunch: 8

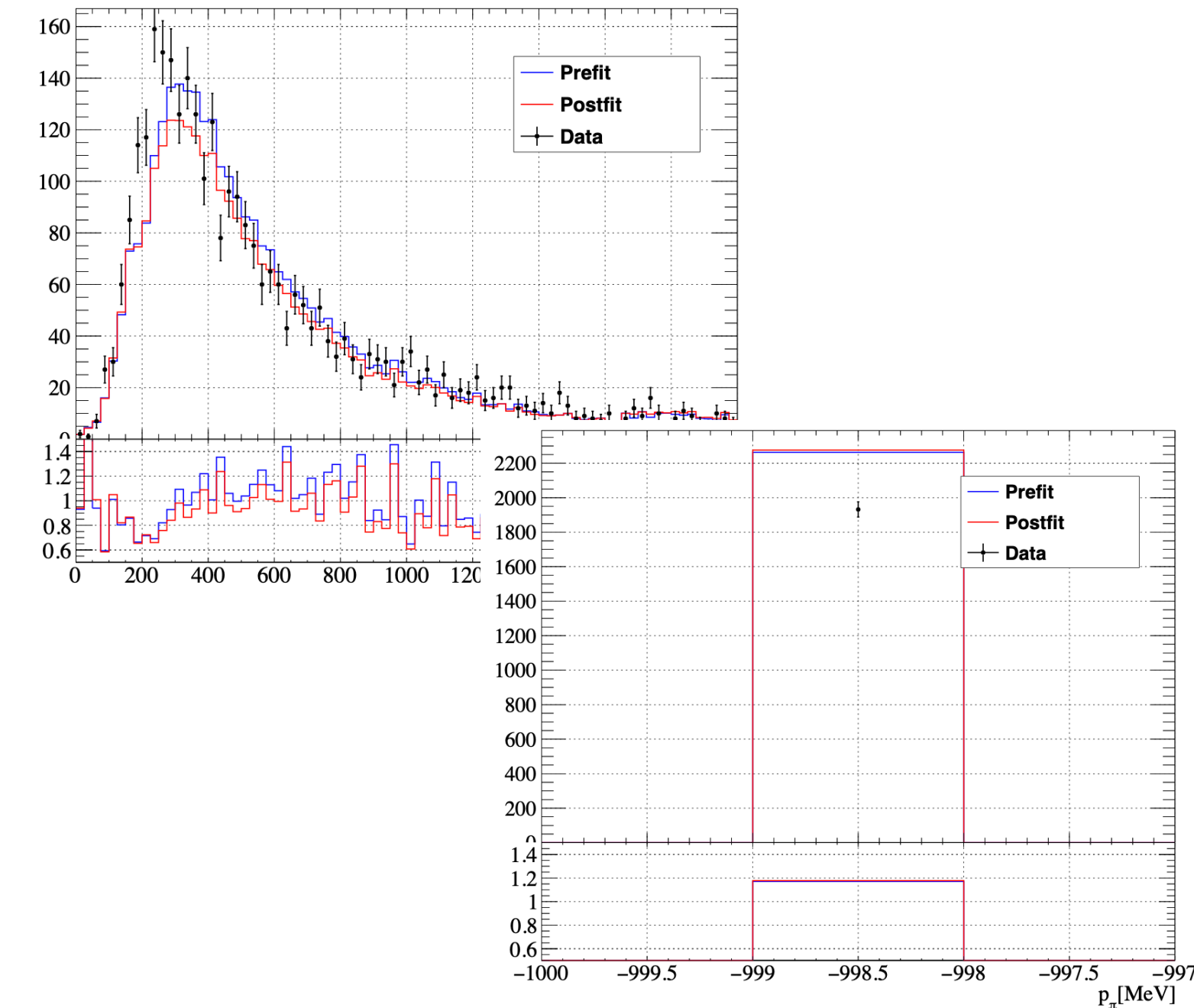
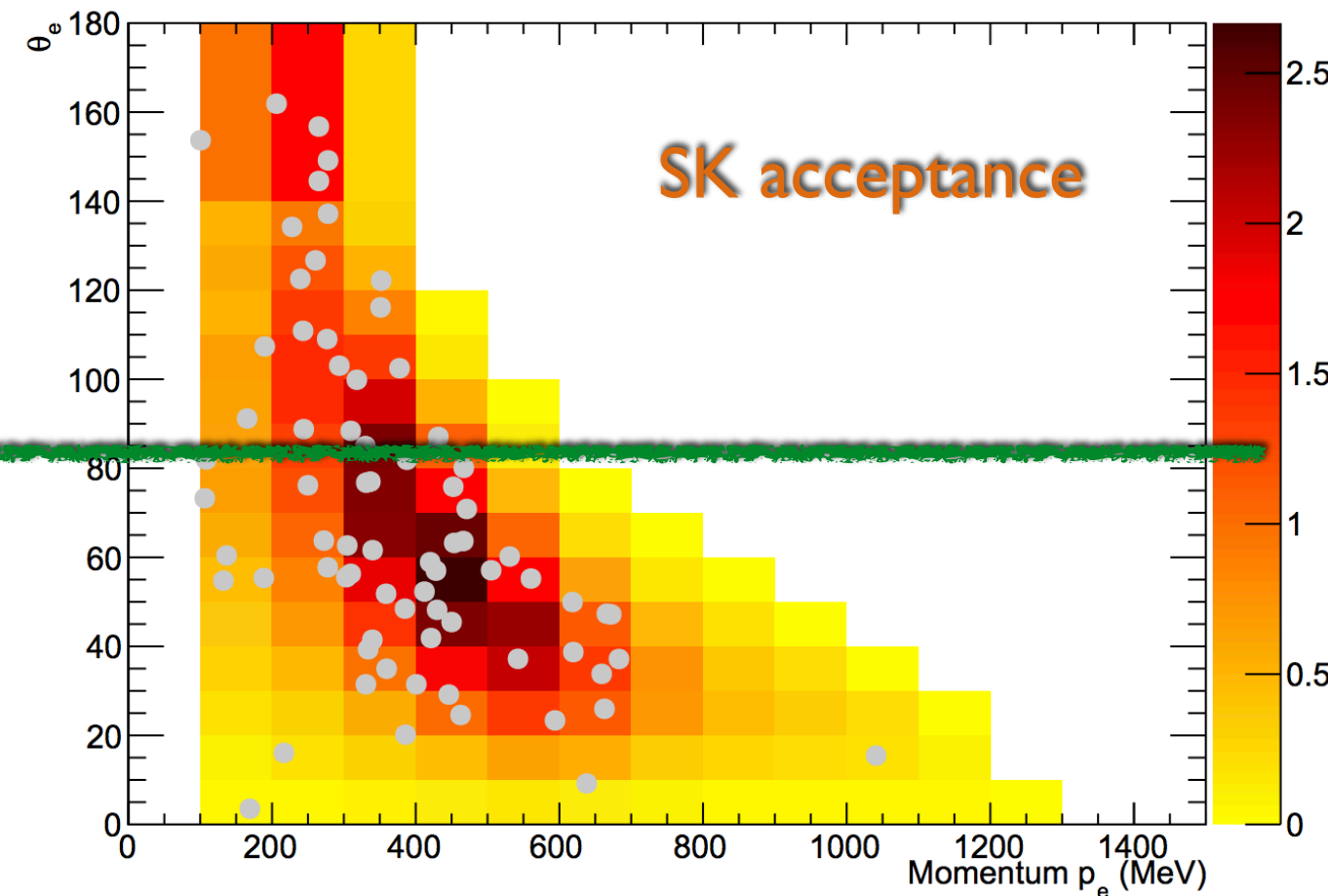
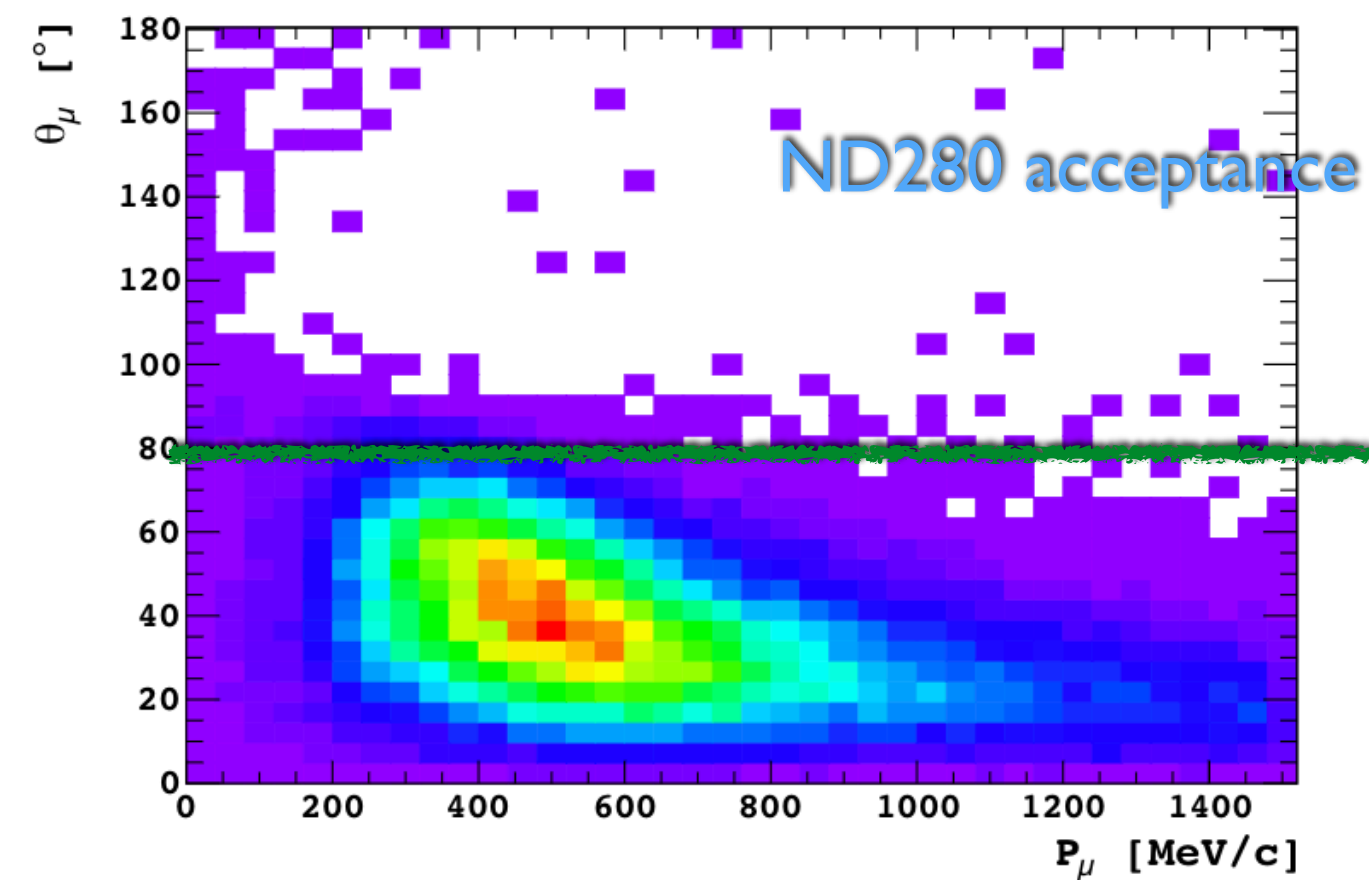
Prediction from parameter values :
Expected PPP : 2.1075e+14
Expected PPB : 2.6343e+13
!!!! Expected Power : 783 [kW] !!!!



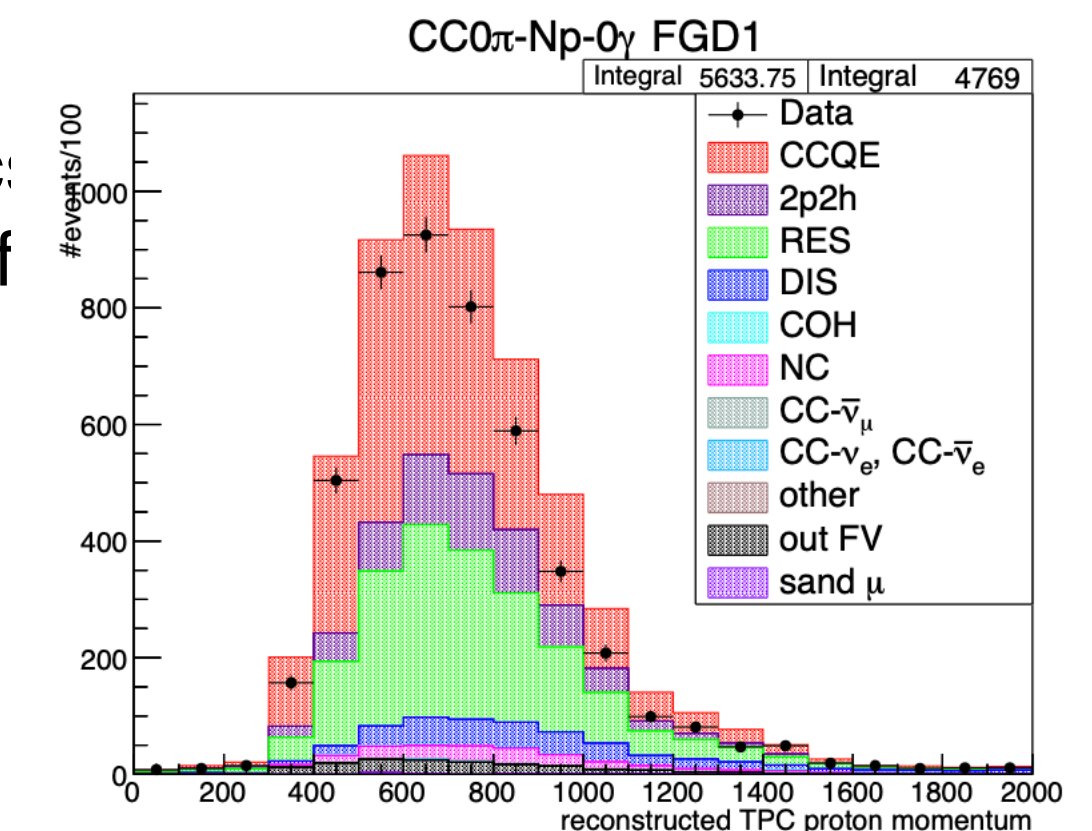
- June 2024 → Beam power increased to 800 kW
- Steady improvements to reach 1.3 MW by 2027 → increase T2K statistics by a factor of 3 by 2027
- Larger statistics → need to reduce systematic uncertainties → **ND280 upgrade**



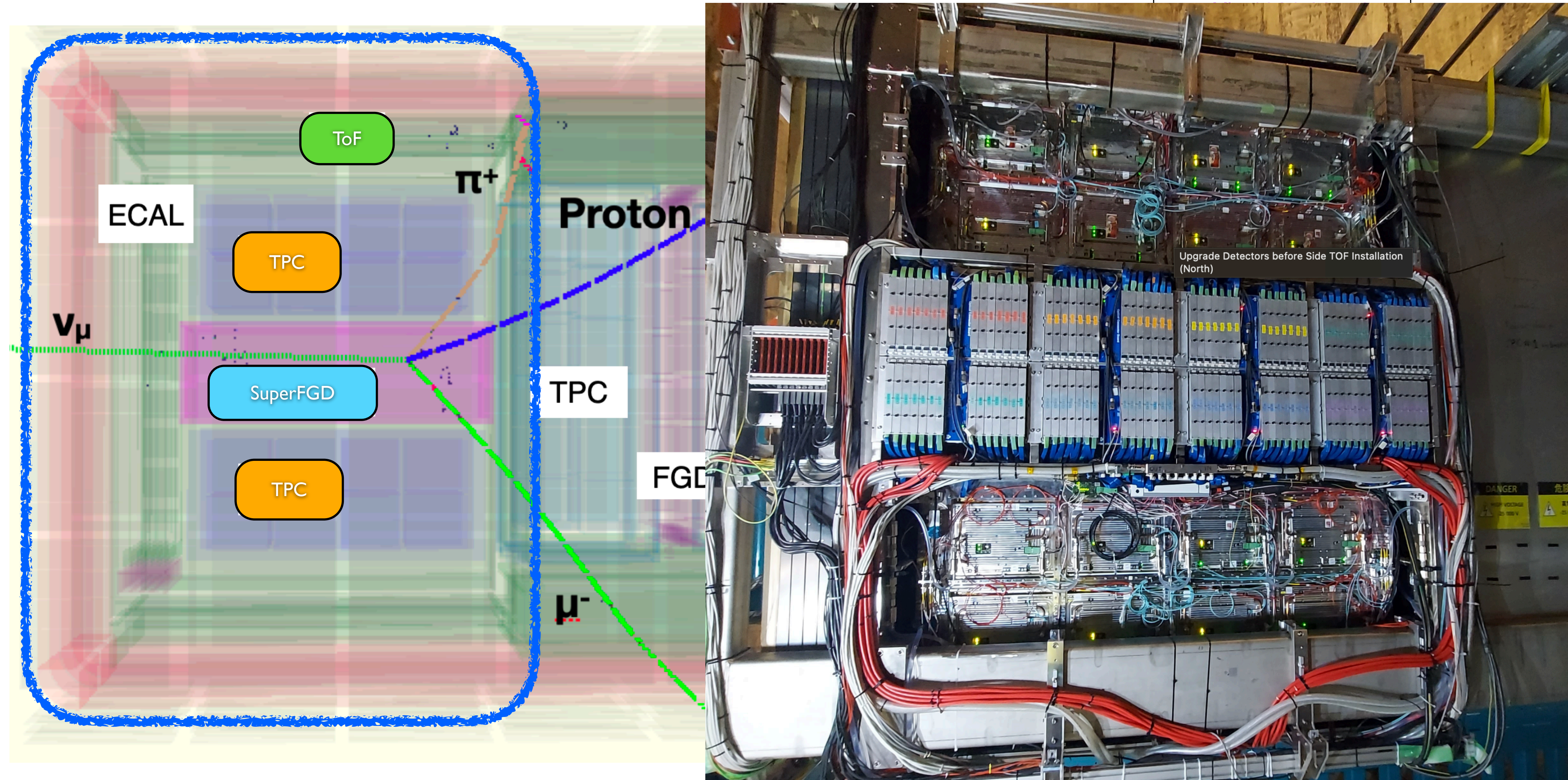
What we can do better?



- Improve angular acceptance ν
- But also better reconstruction and usage of the hadronic part of the interactions!
 - Currently samples are selected according to their topology (0π , 1π , $1p$, $N\pi$, ...) but the kinematics of the hadrons is not used in any way in the constraint on flux and x-sec systematics \rightarrow plenty of additional information to be exploited
 - This is due to both, a low efficiency from ND280 to reconstruct hadrons and the difficulties in modeling the x-sec systematics for the hadronic part
 - With the upgrade we plan to improve the efficiency to reconstruct hadronic part

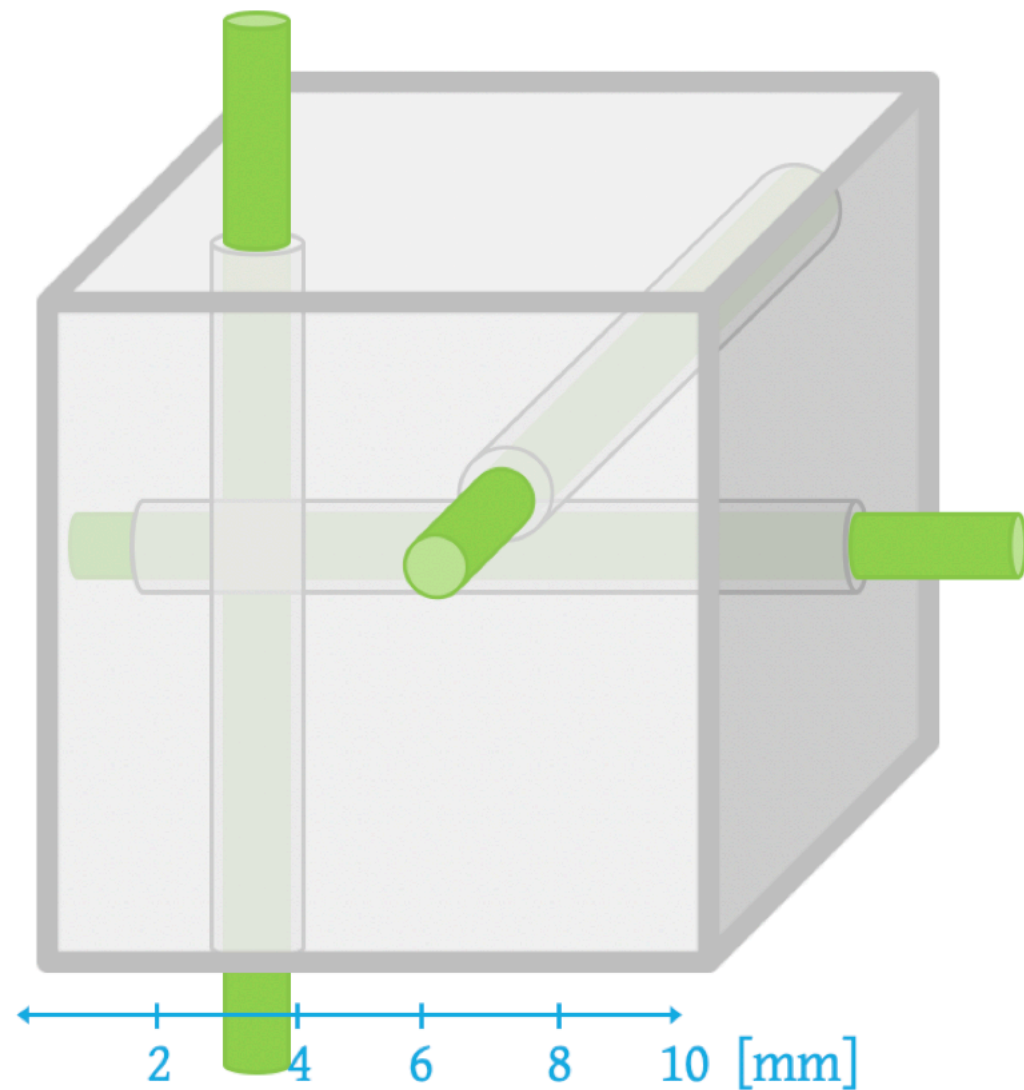


The Near Detector upgrade

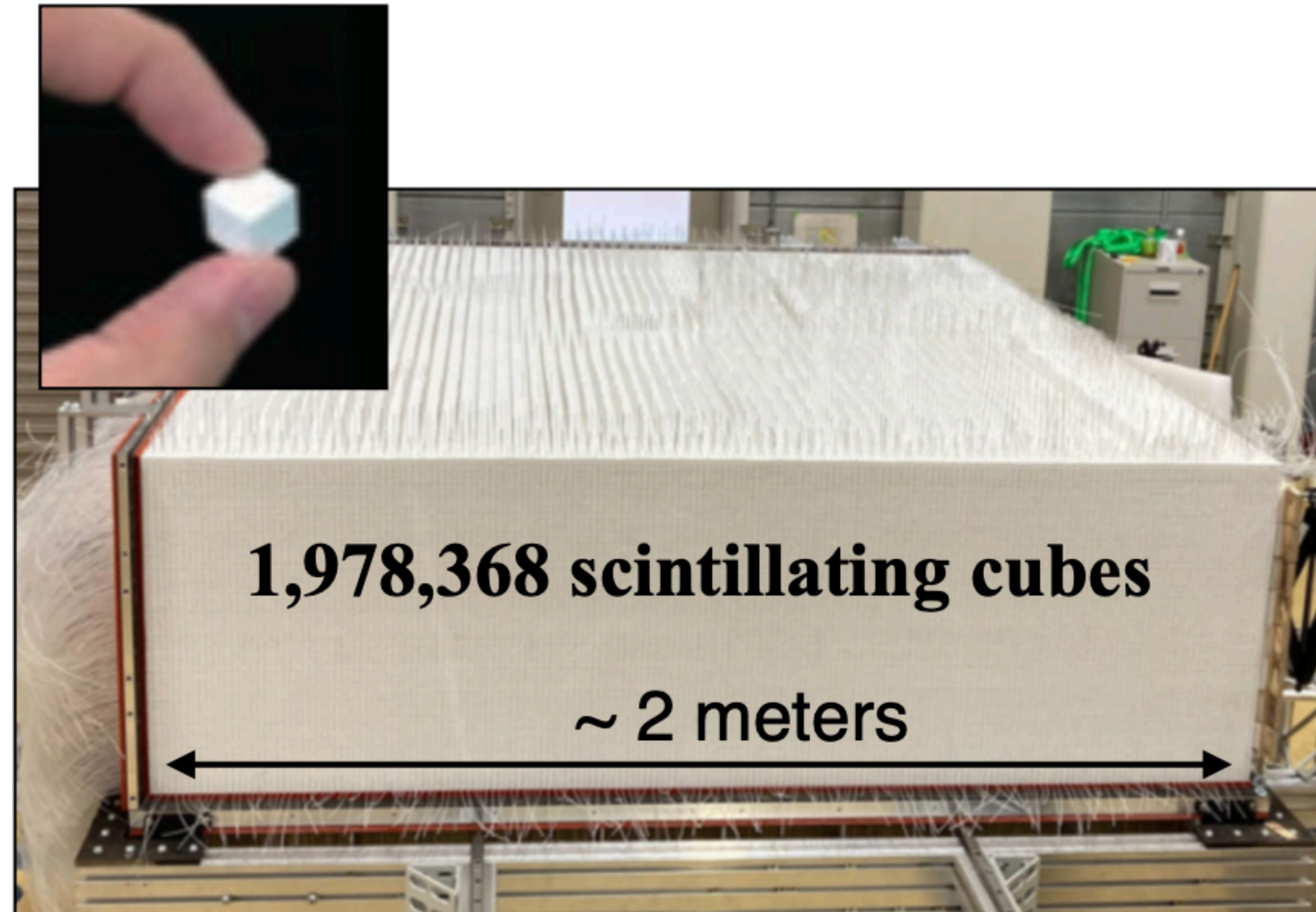


Replace part of the P0D detector (measured NC π^0 production) with a new scintillator target (SuperFGD), two TPCs and a ToF detector

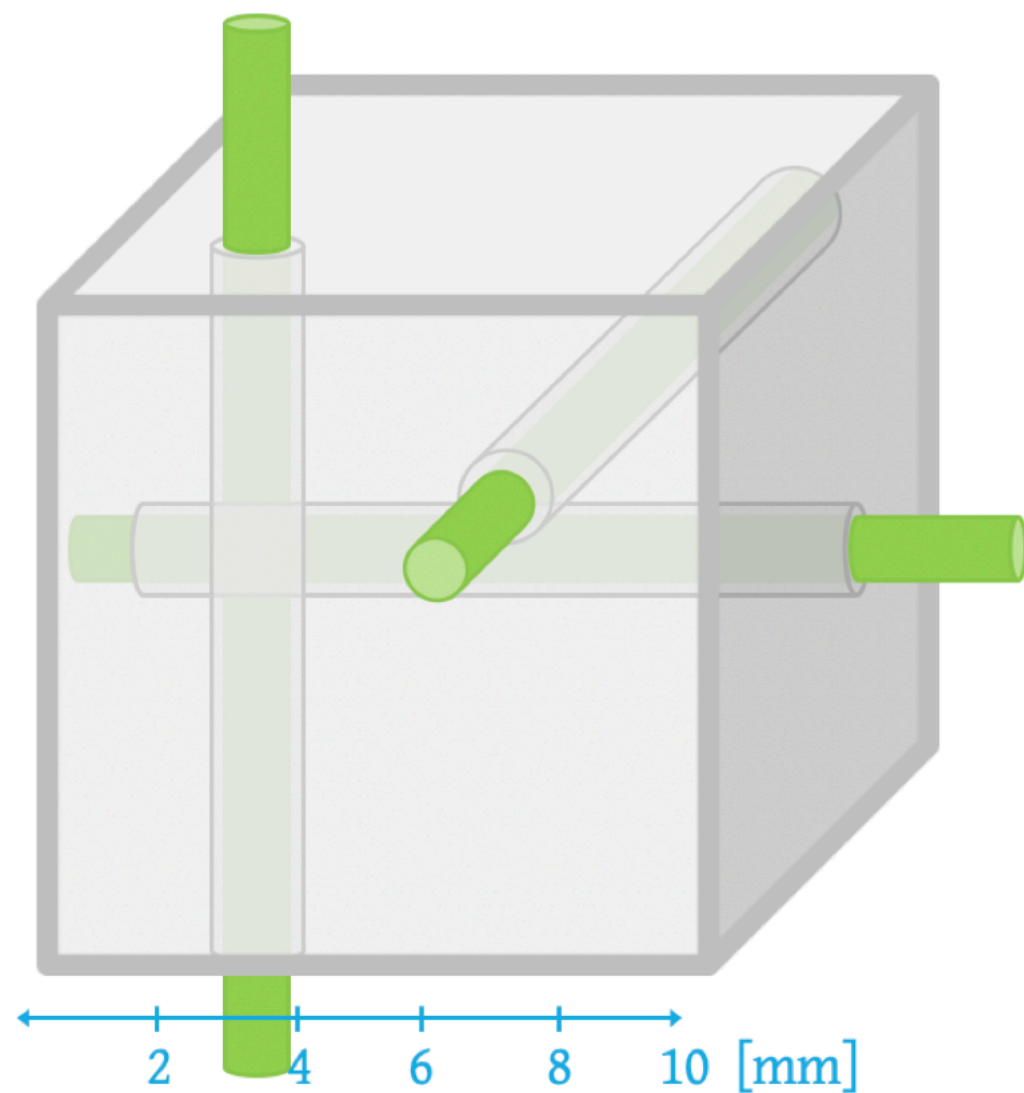
Super-FGD



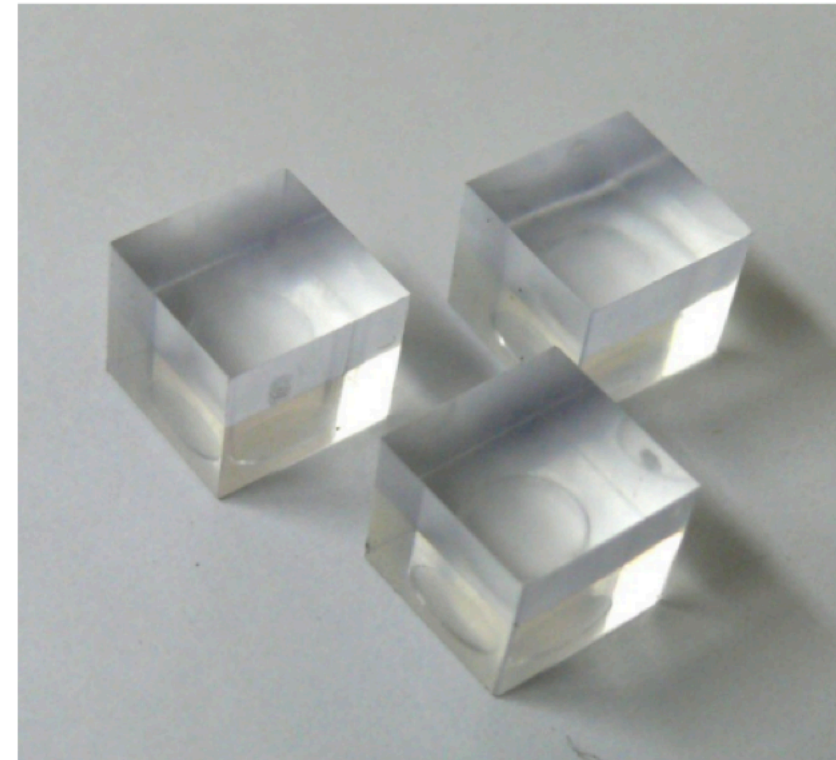
- 2 millions plastic scintillator cubes made of polystyrene and doped with 1.5% of paraterphenyl (PTP) and 0.01% of POPOP.
- Each cube is optically independent
- Cubes production was done at UNIPLAST (Russia)



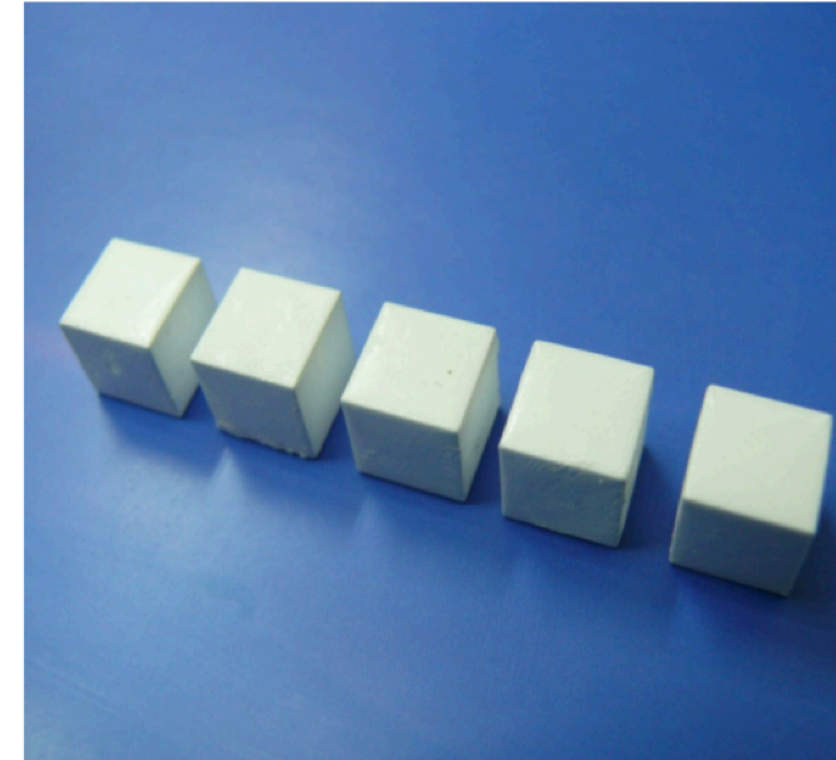
Super-FGD



Produce cubes by injection molding



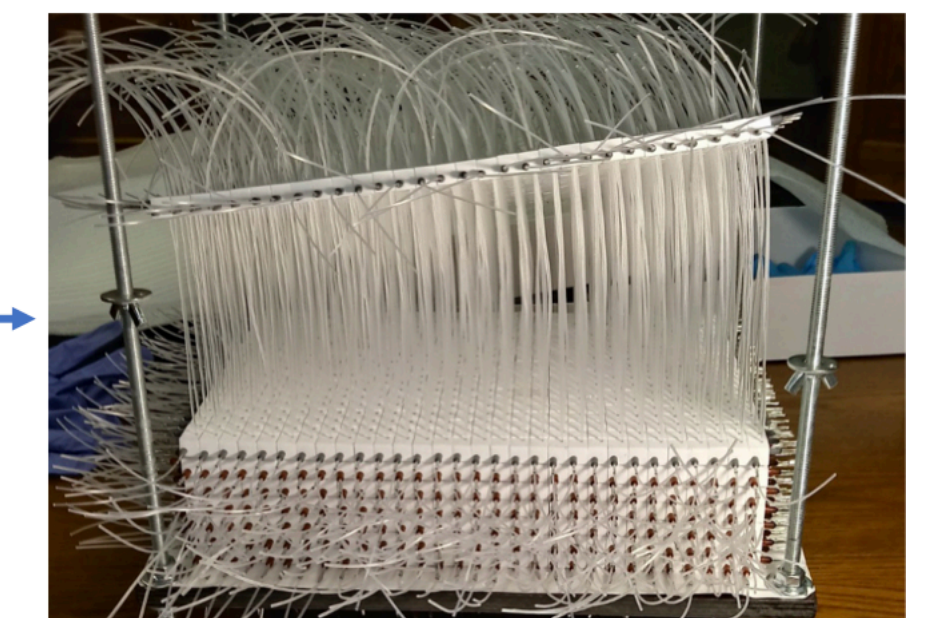
Etched in a chemical to deposit a reflective layer



3 orthogonal holes are drilled



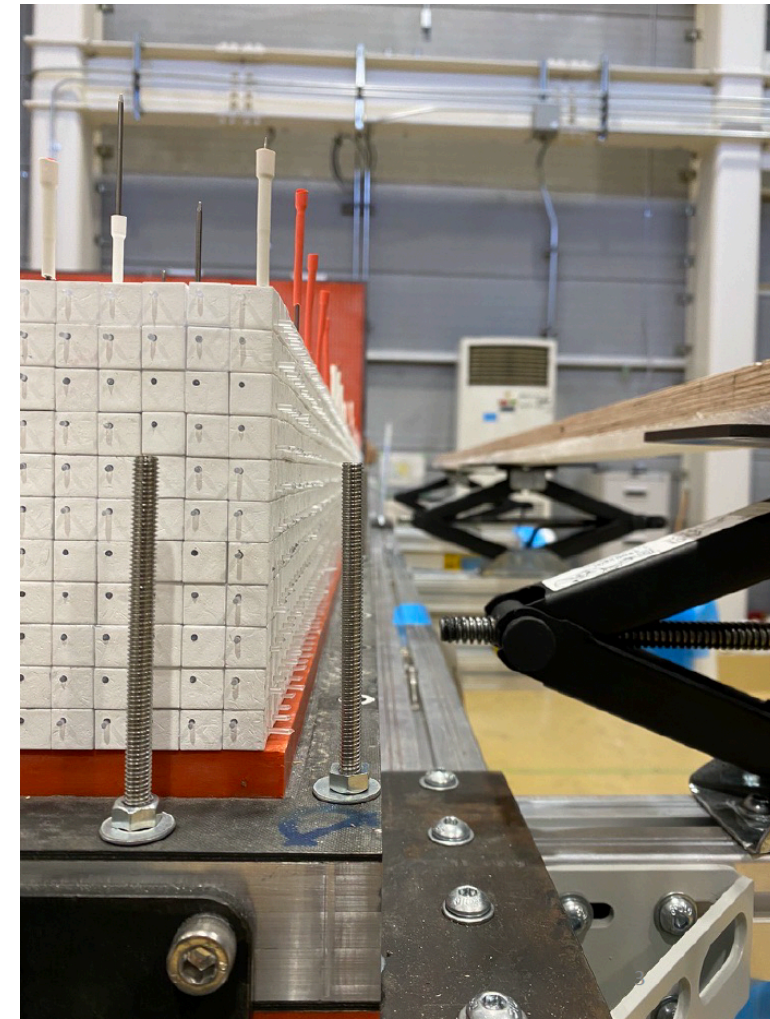
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Assembled in 56 X-Y layers with fishing lines before shipment to Japan

SuperFGD assembly at J-PARC

First cube layer assembly



Stop panels removed



Box closure



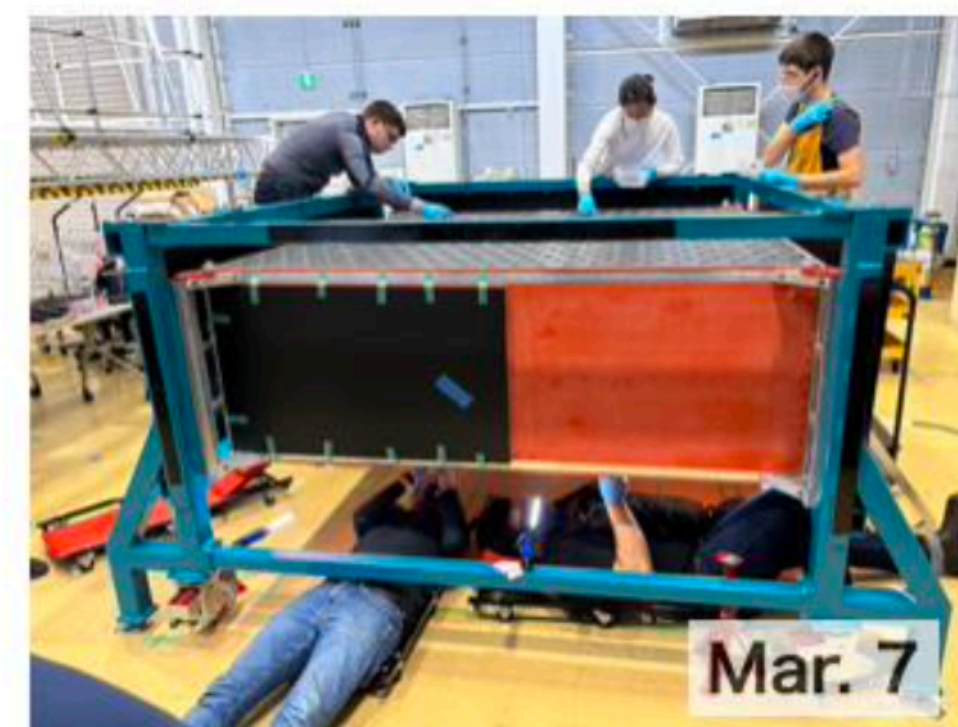
Horizontal fibers assembly



Vertical fibers assembly



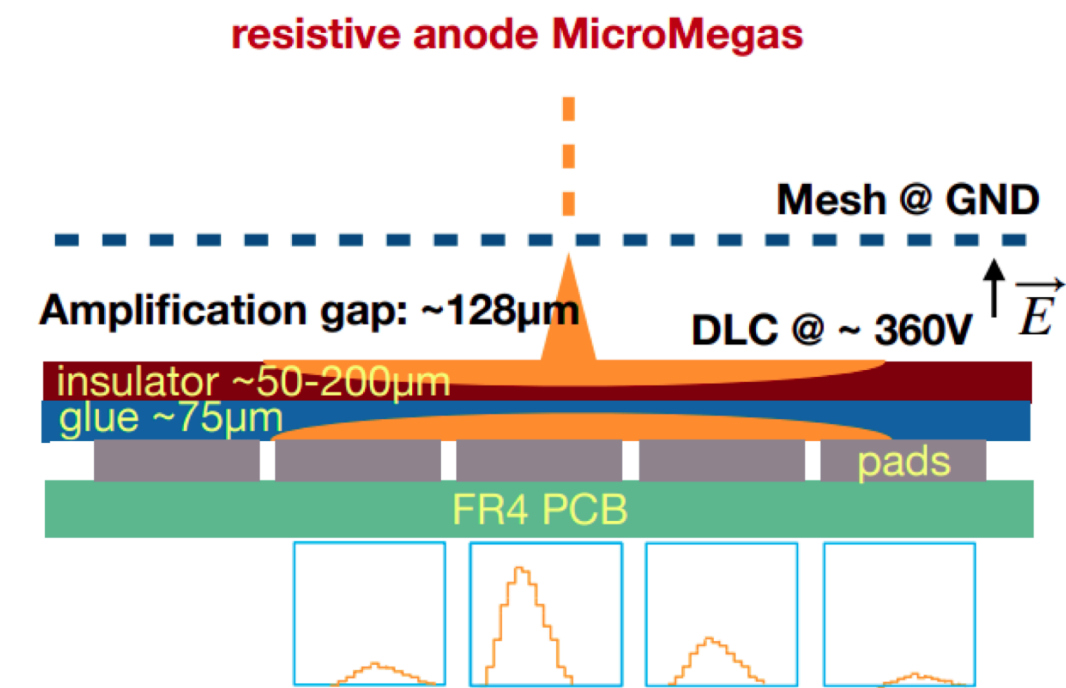
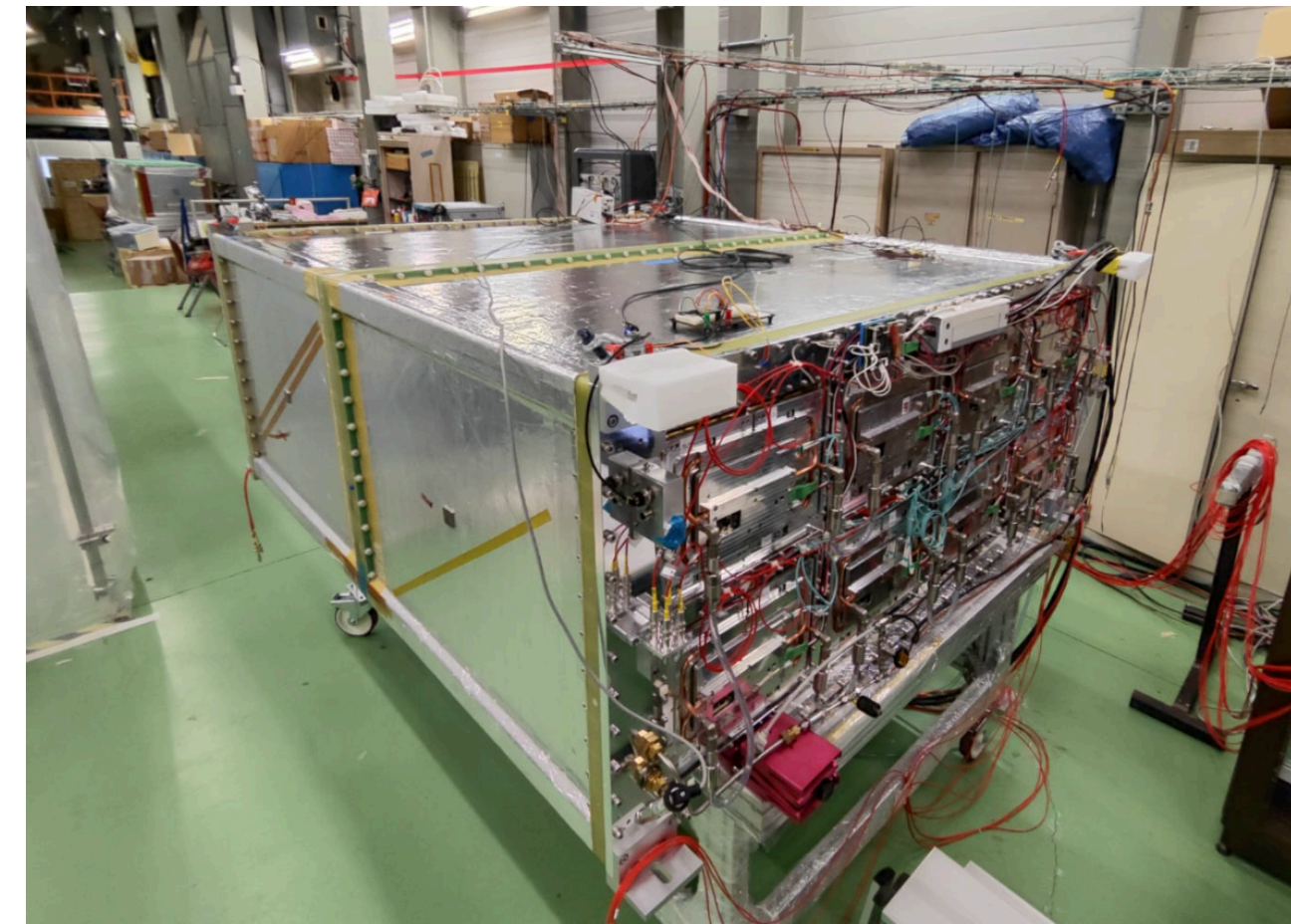
Top MPPCs assembly



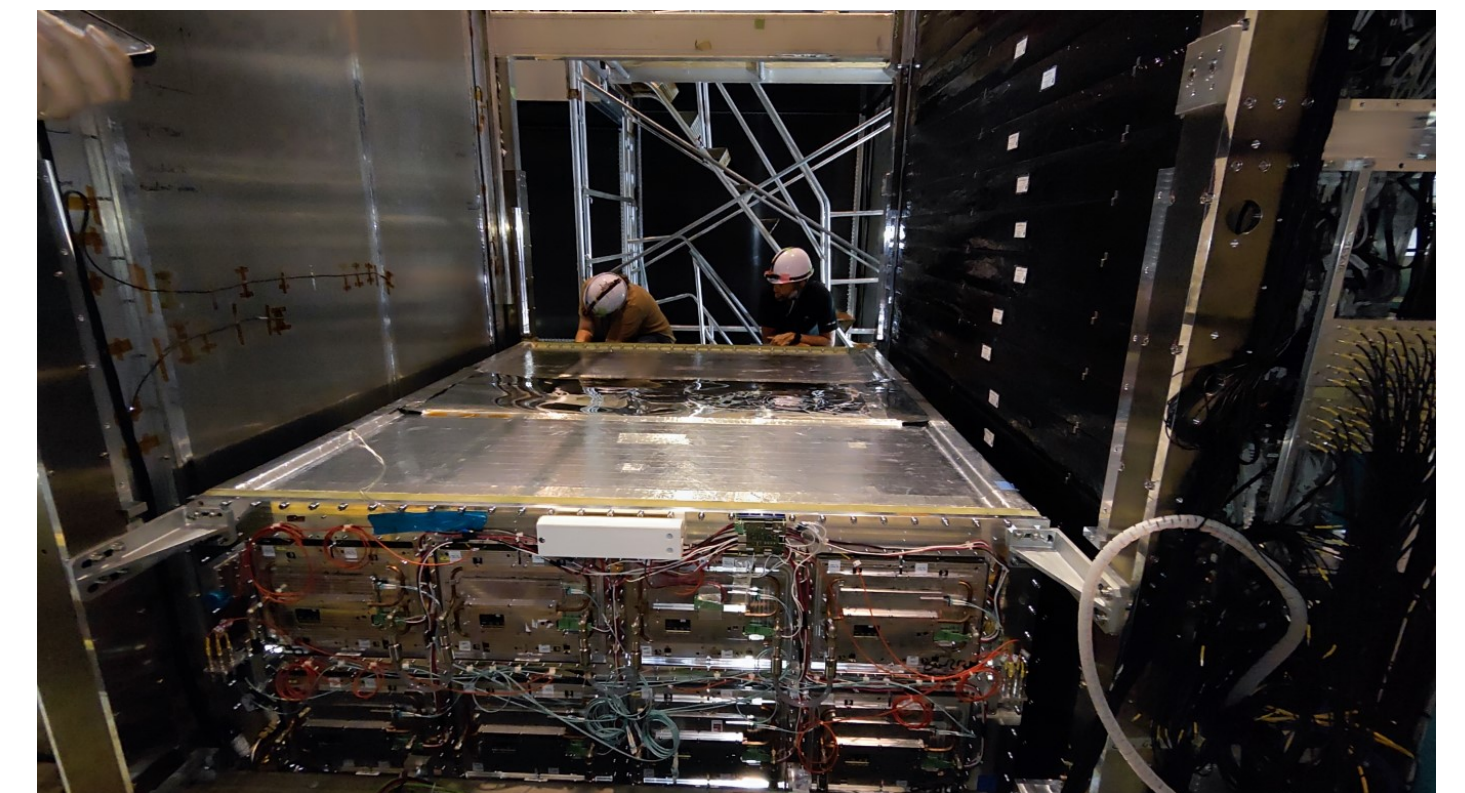
Light barrier/cables asse



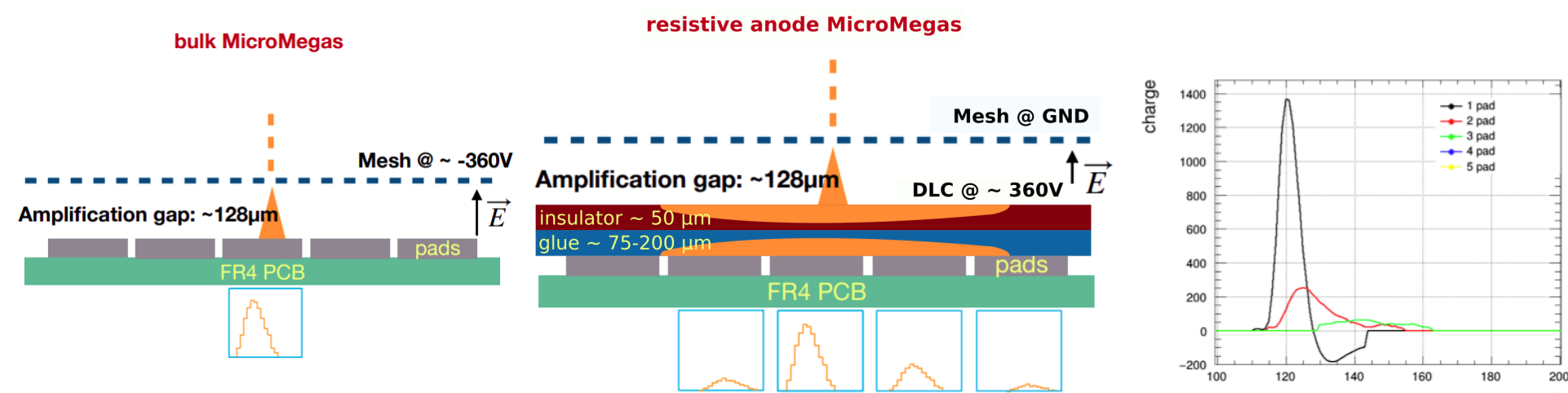
High-Angle TPCs



- Reconstruct leptons emitted at high angle with respect to the beam
- TPC instrumented with resistive MicroMegas modules
- Chambers have been assembled and tested at CERN before shipment



HATPC performances



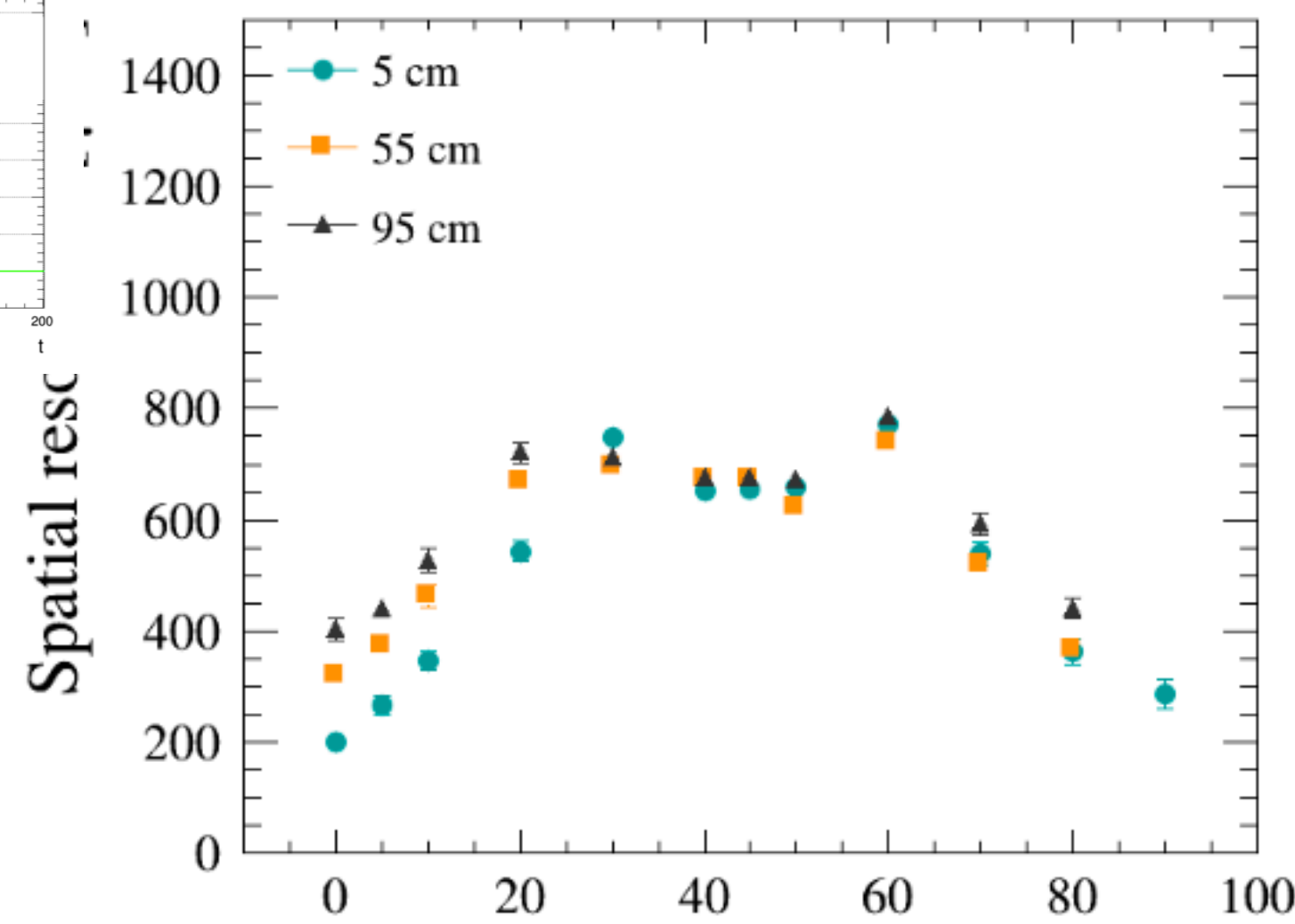
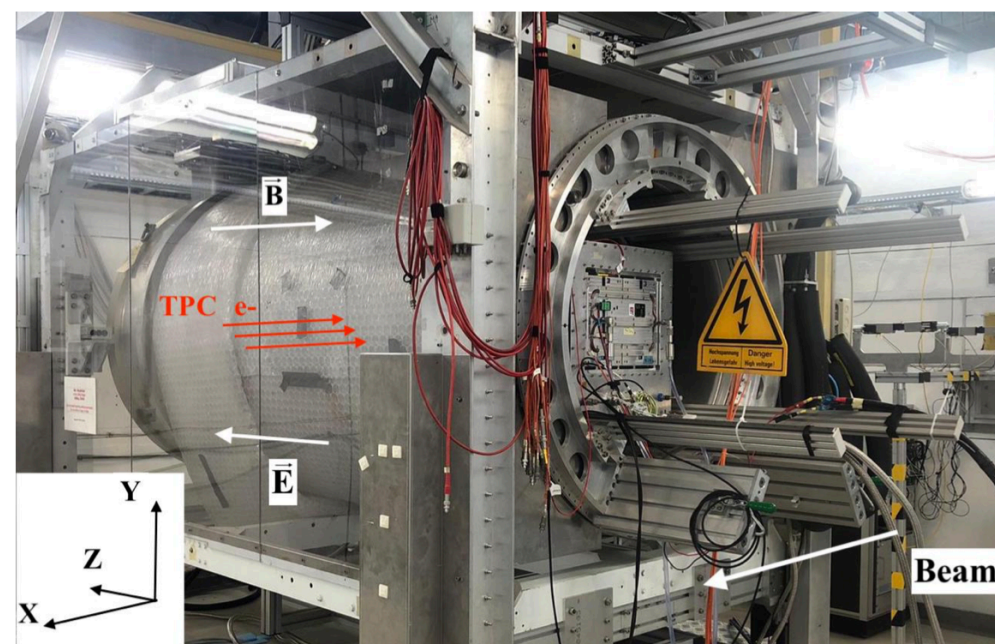
$$\rho(r, t) = \frac{RC}{2t} \exp\left[-\frac{r^2 RC}{4t}\right]$$

R- surface resistivity
C- capacitance/unit area

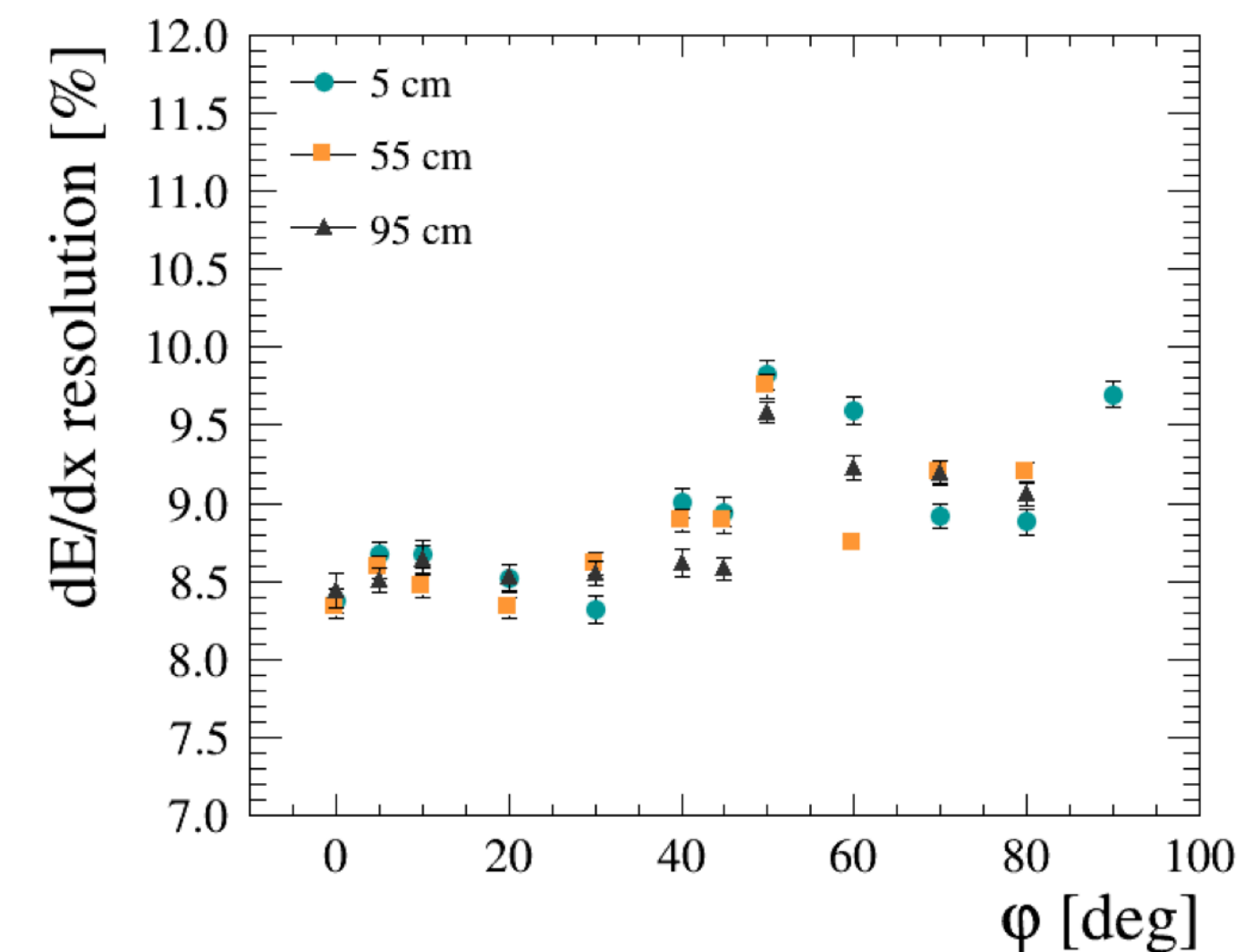
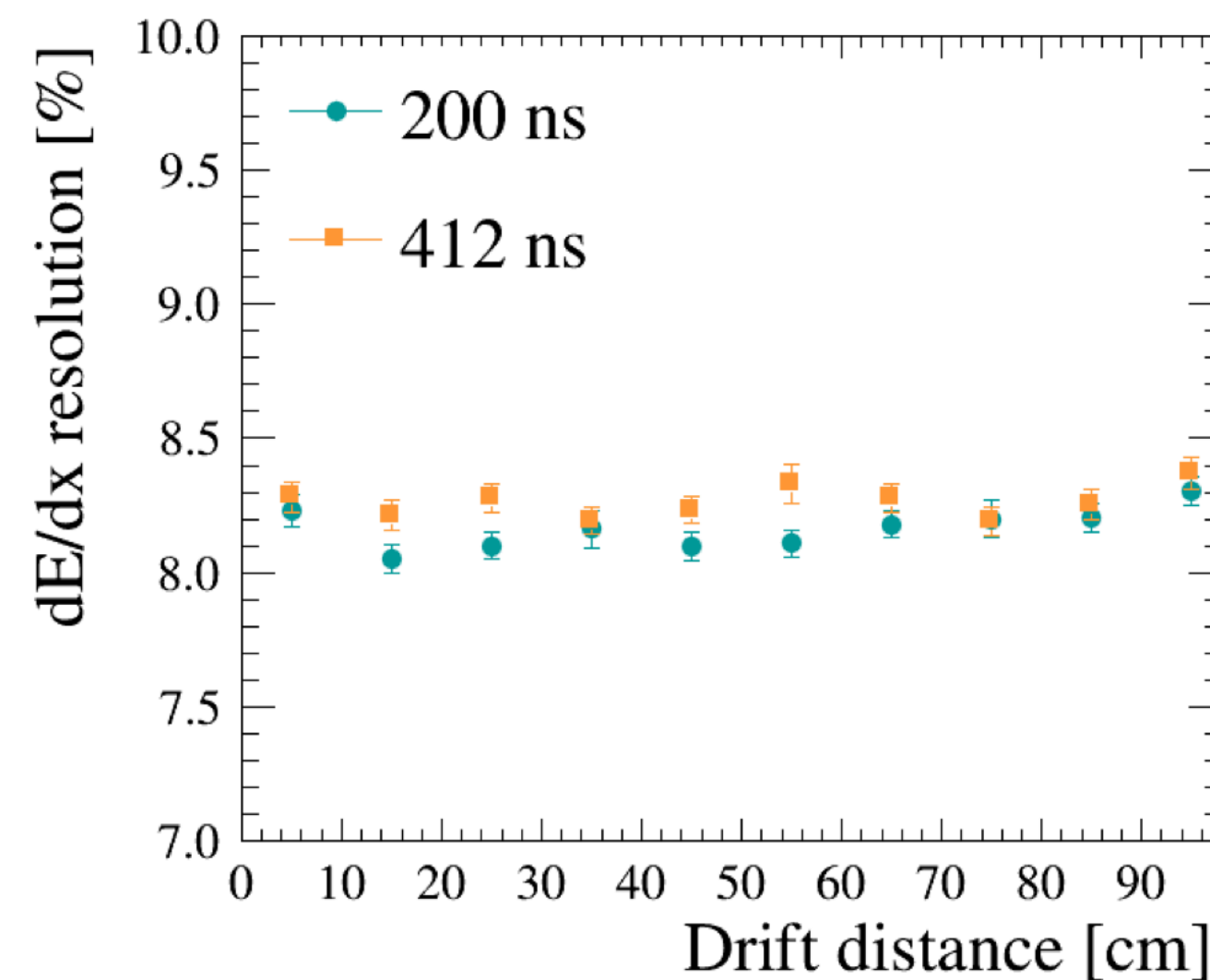
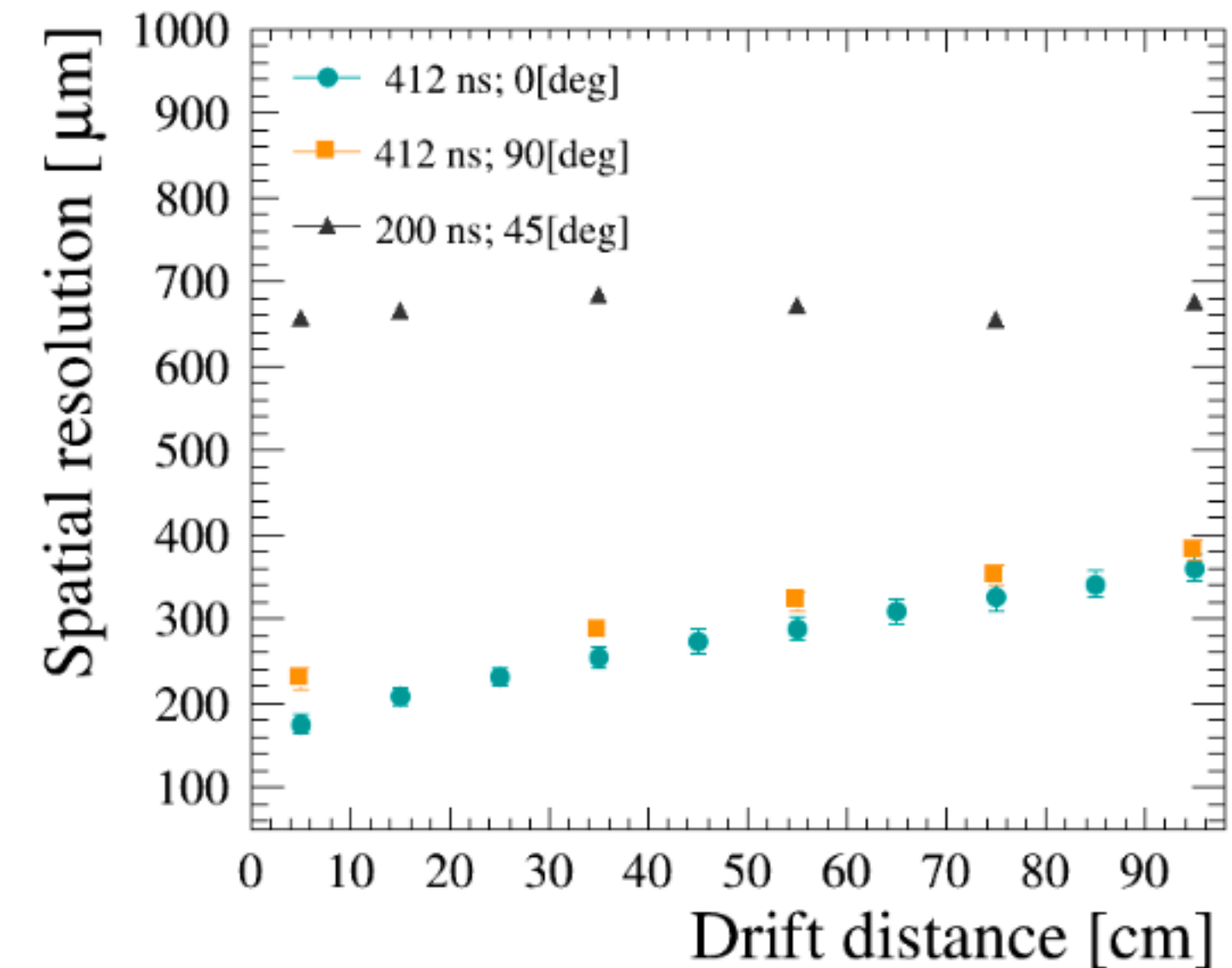
Gaussian spreading as a function of time with :

$$\sigma_r = \sqrt{\frac{2t}{RC}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t \approx \text{shaping time (few 100 ns)} \\ RC_{[ns/mm^2]} = \frac{180 R_{[M\Omega/\square]}}{d_{[\mu m]}/175} \end{array} \right.$$

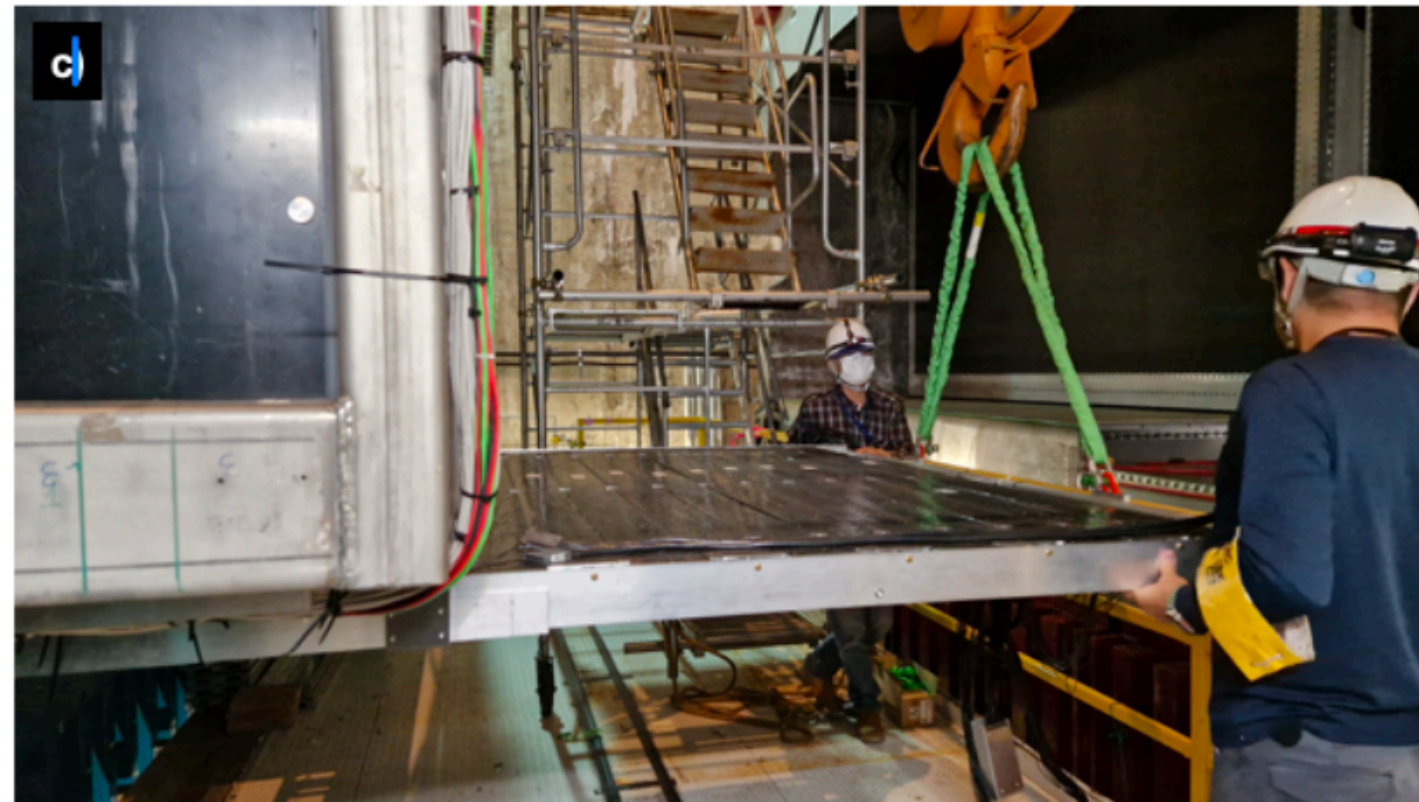
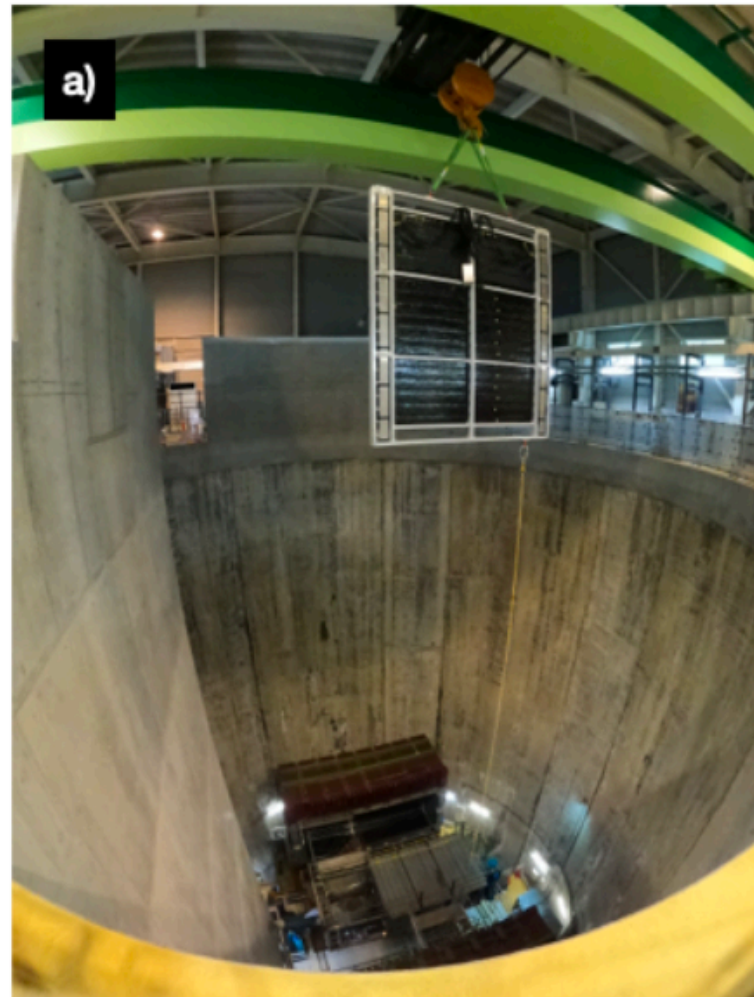


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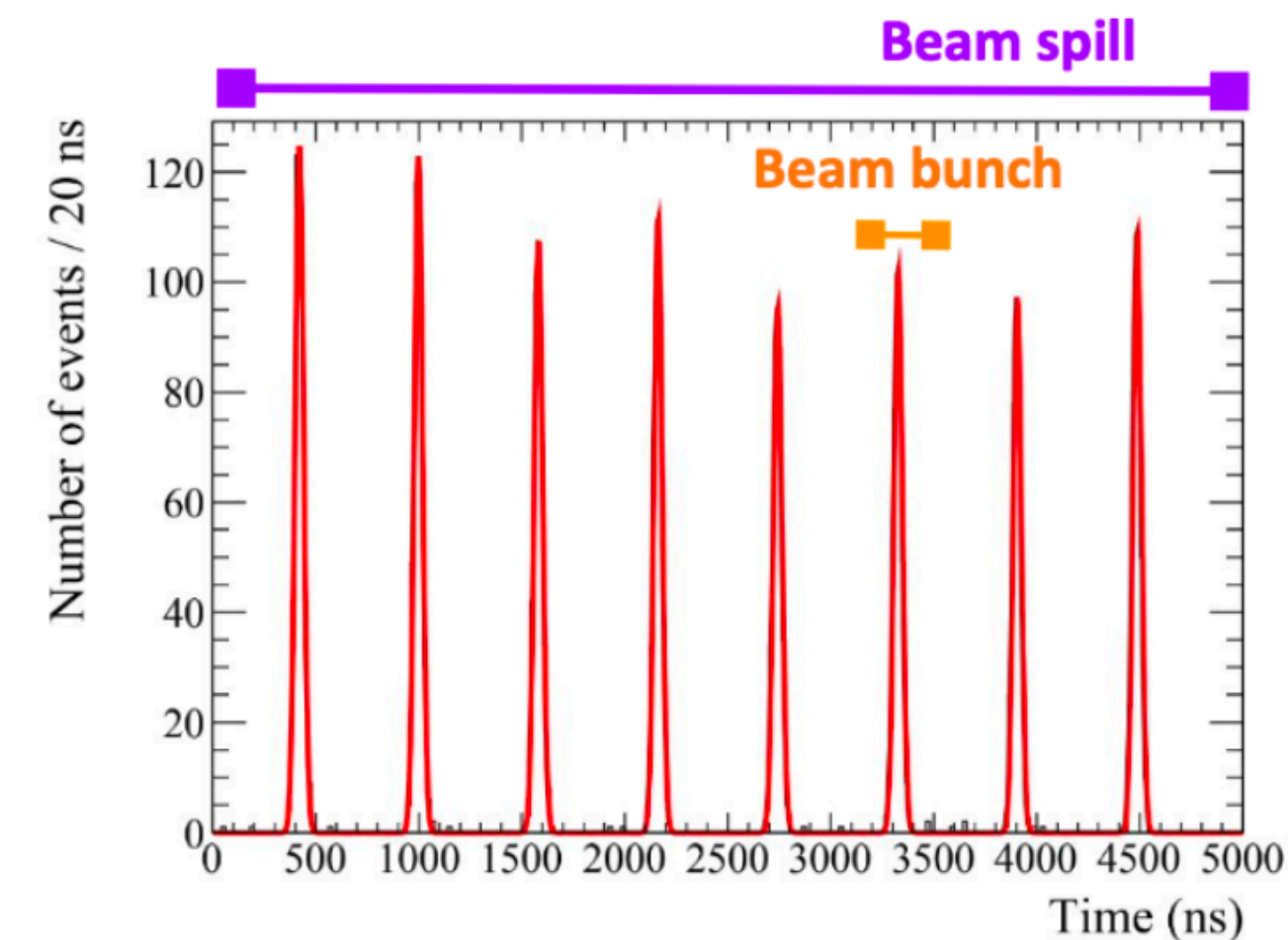


- 3 test beam campaigns to characterise ERAM detectors
- Spatial resolution between 200 and 600 μm (w.r.t. 600 to 1000 for vertical TPCs)
- dE/dx resolution below 10%

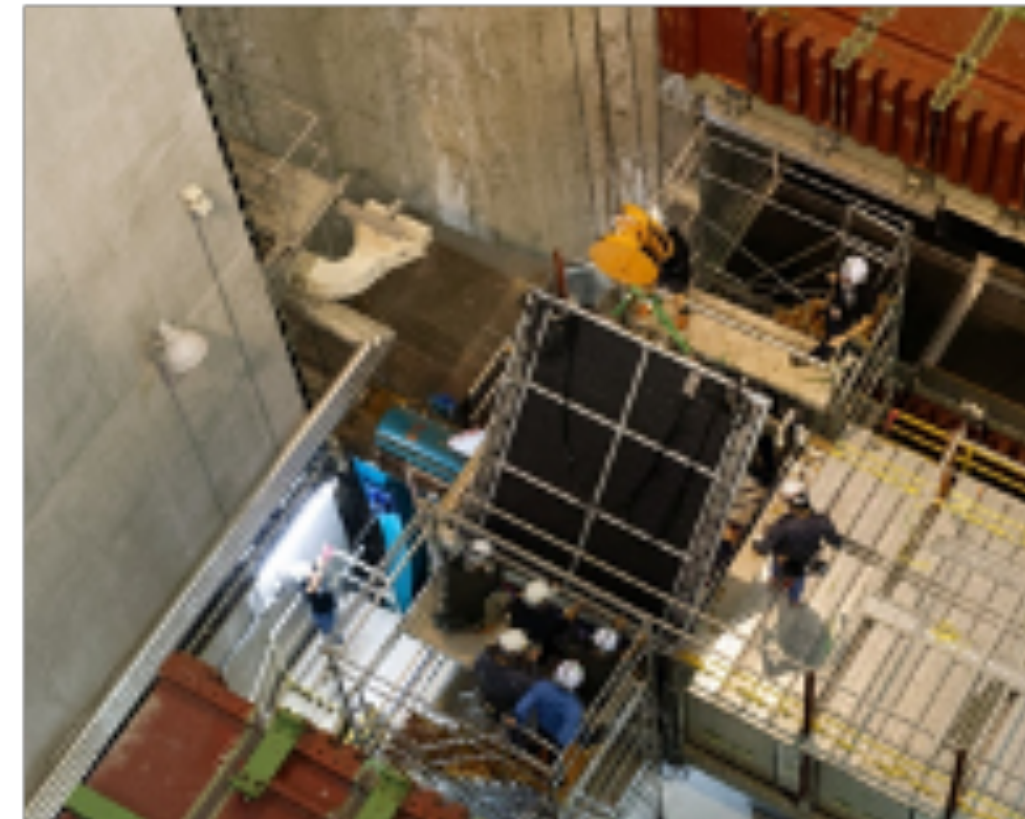
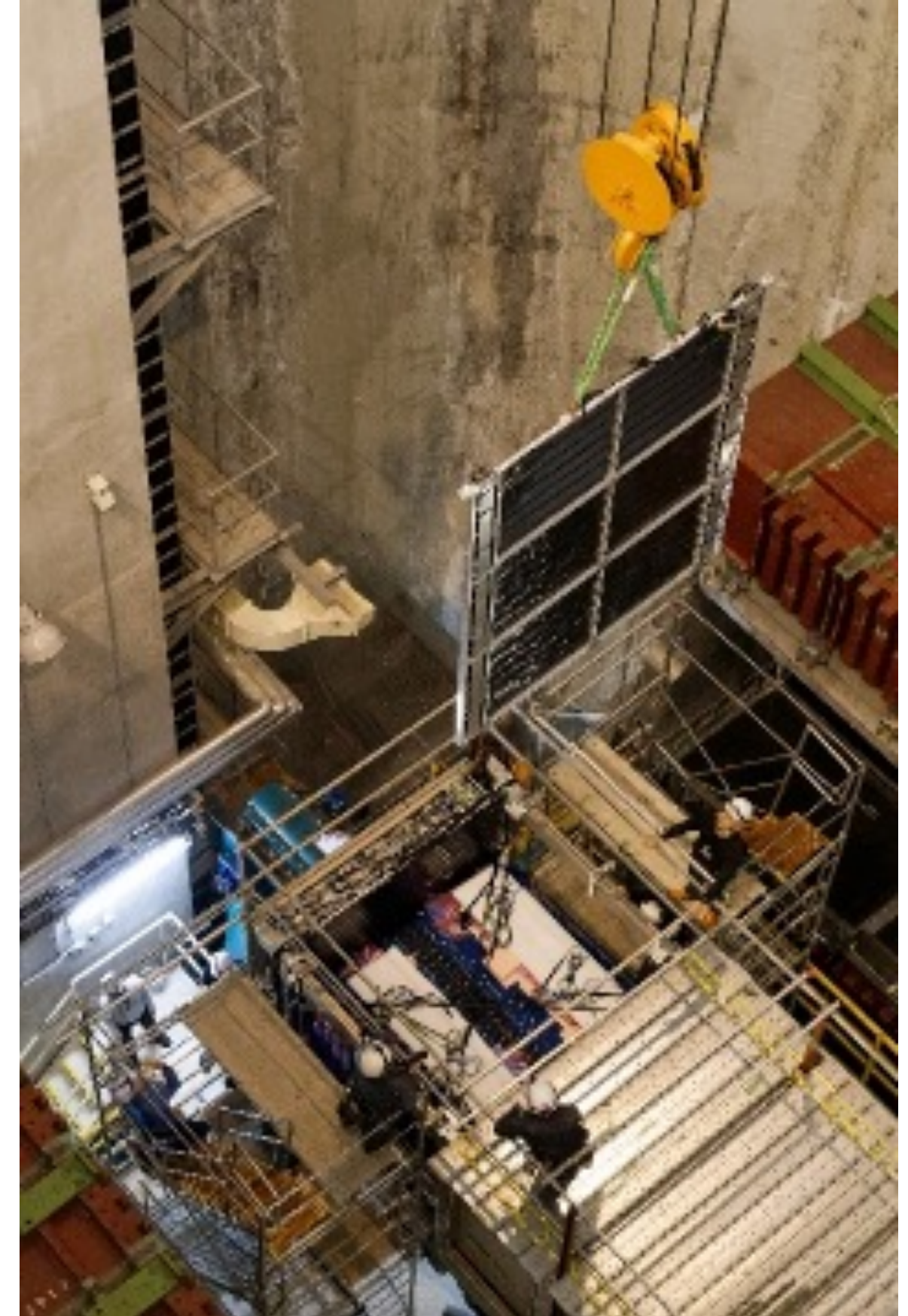
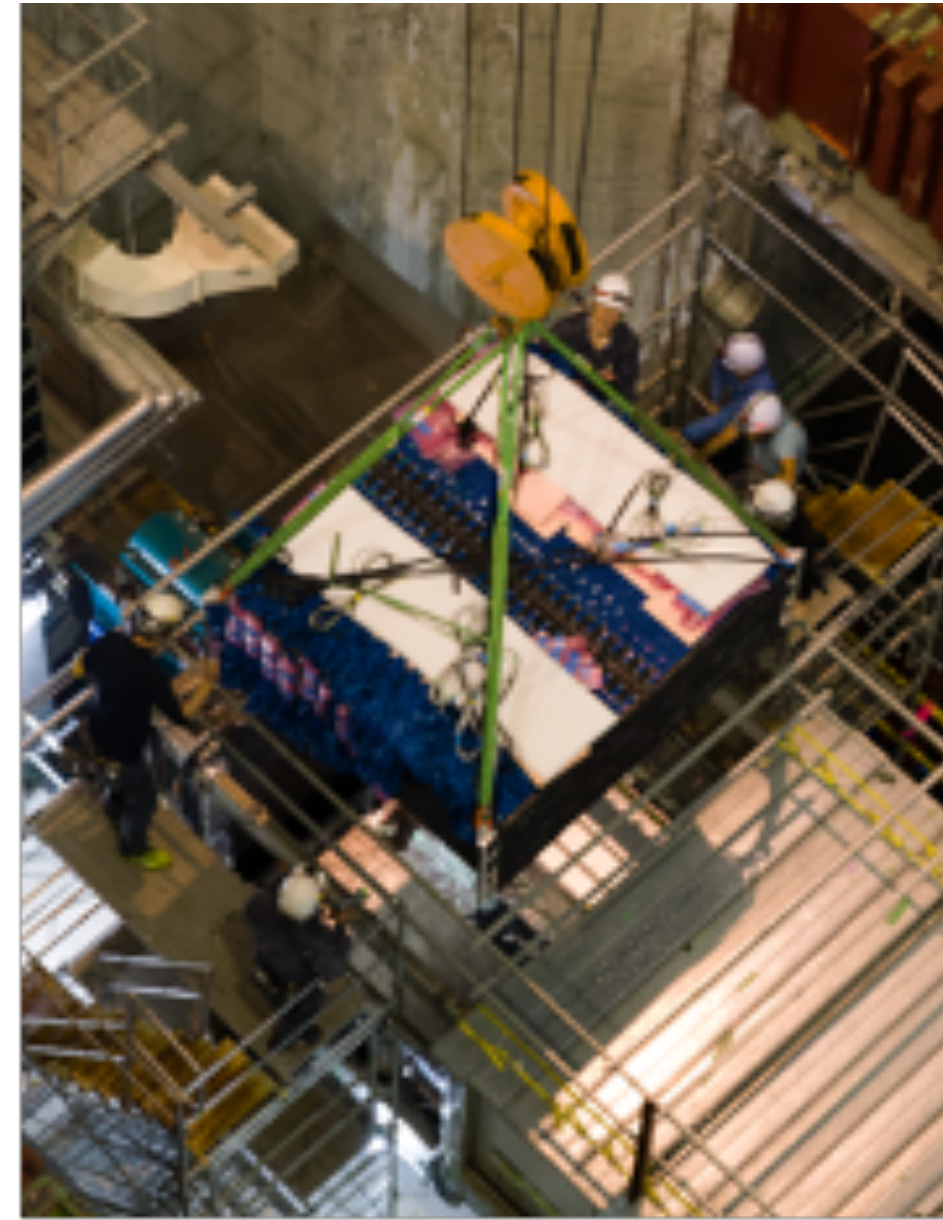
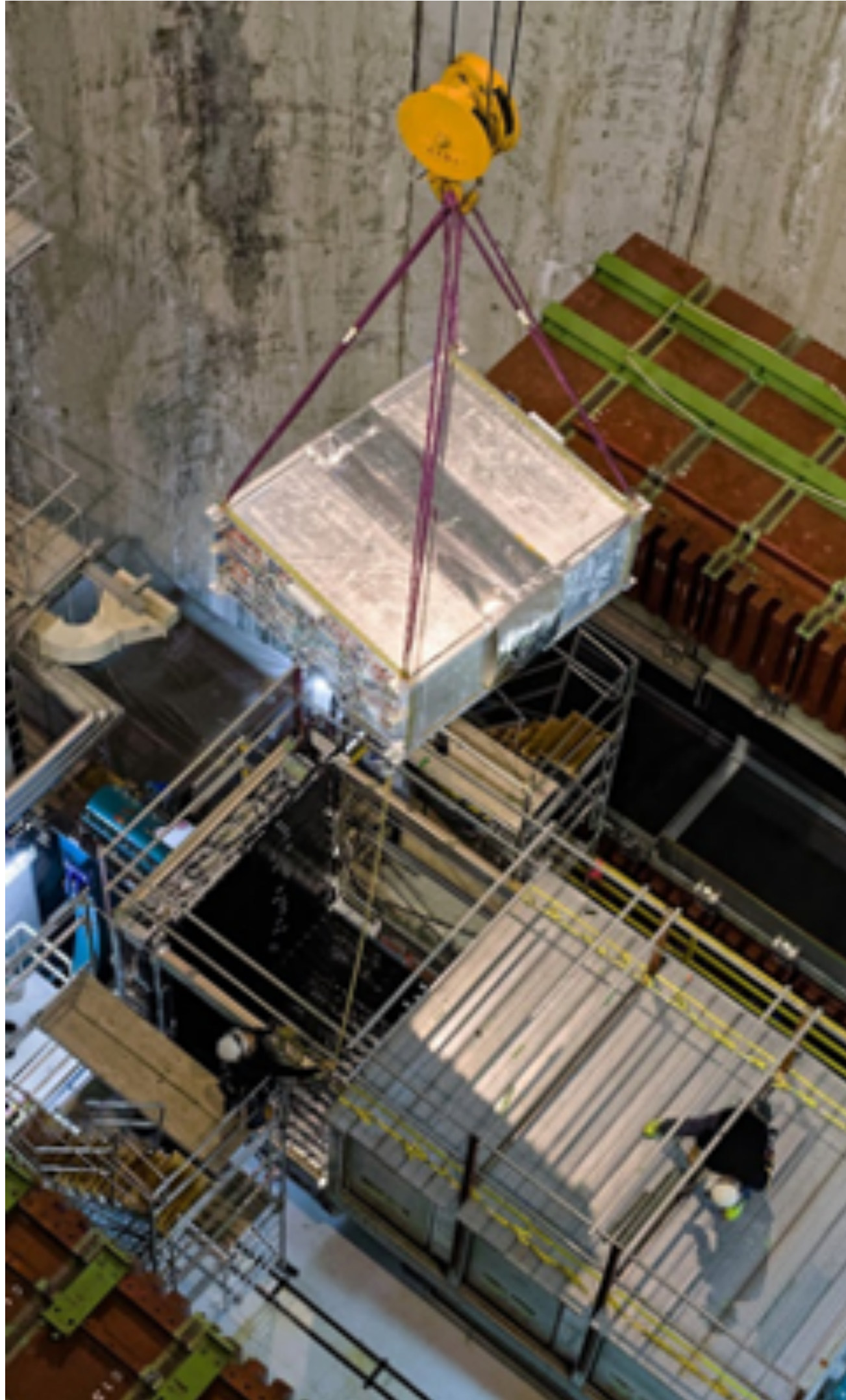
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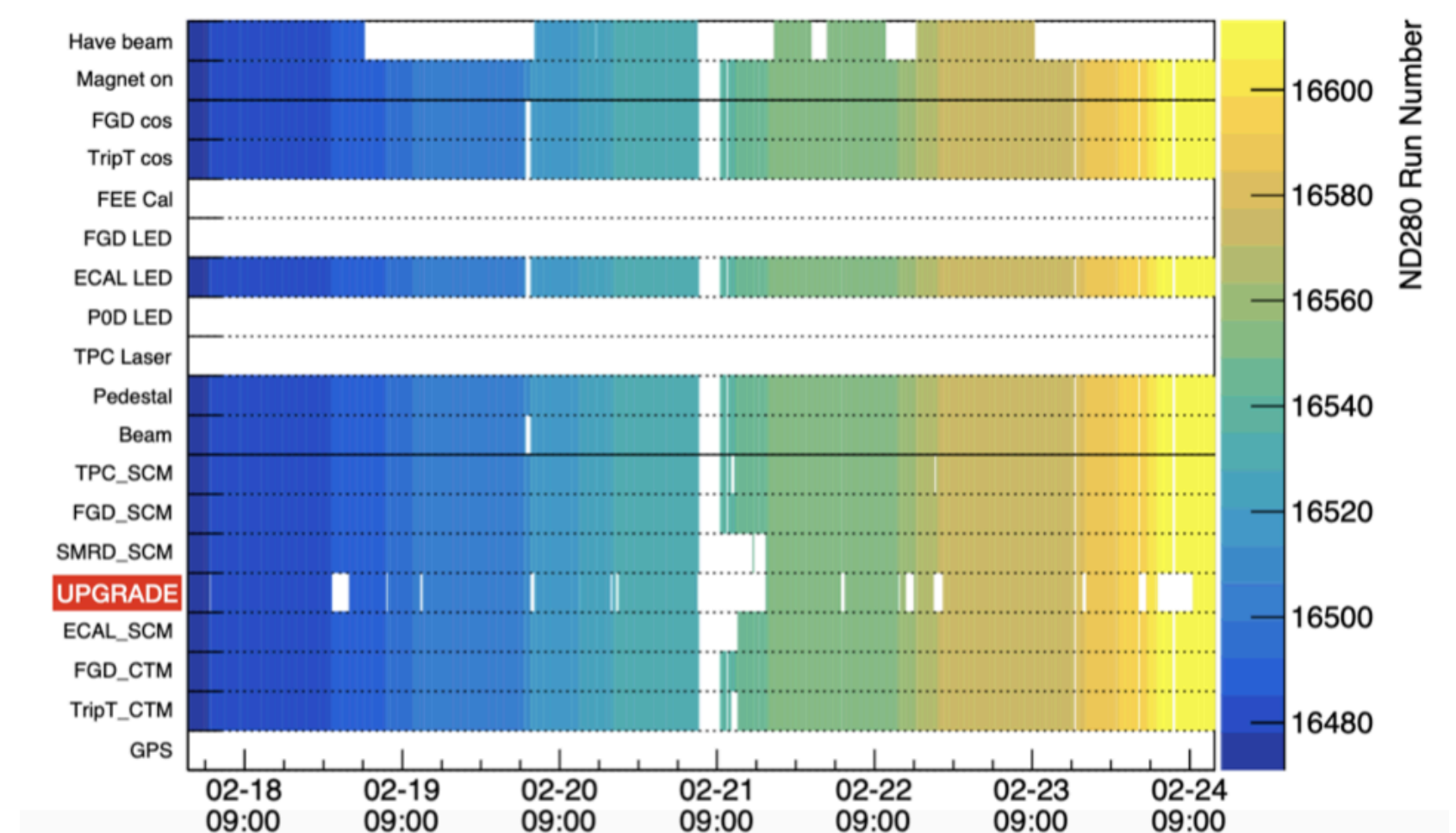
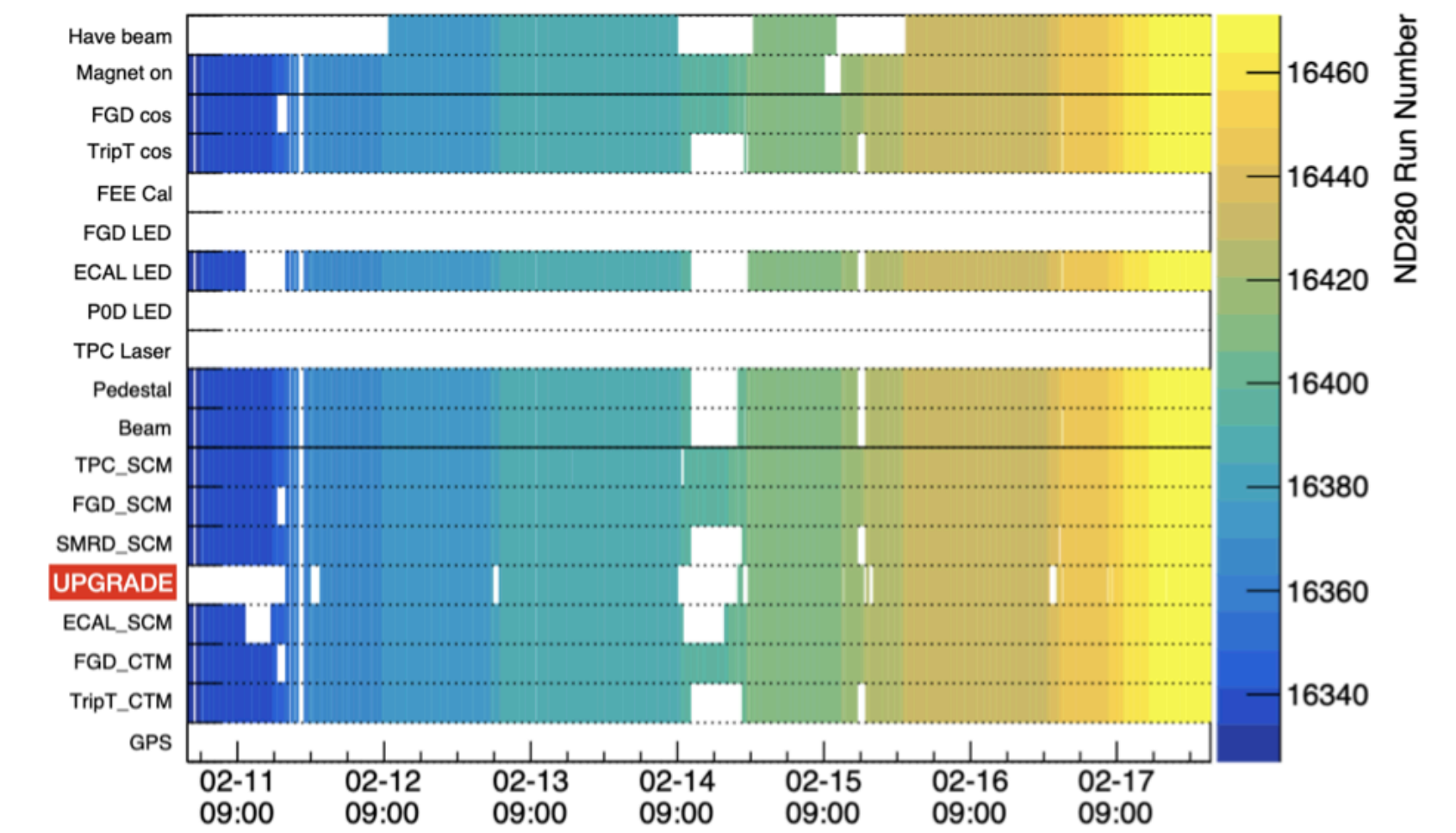
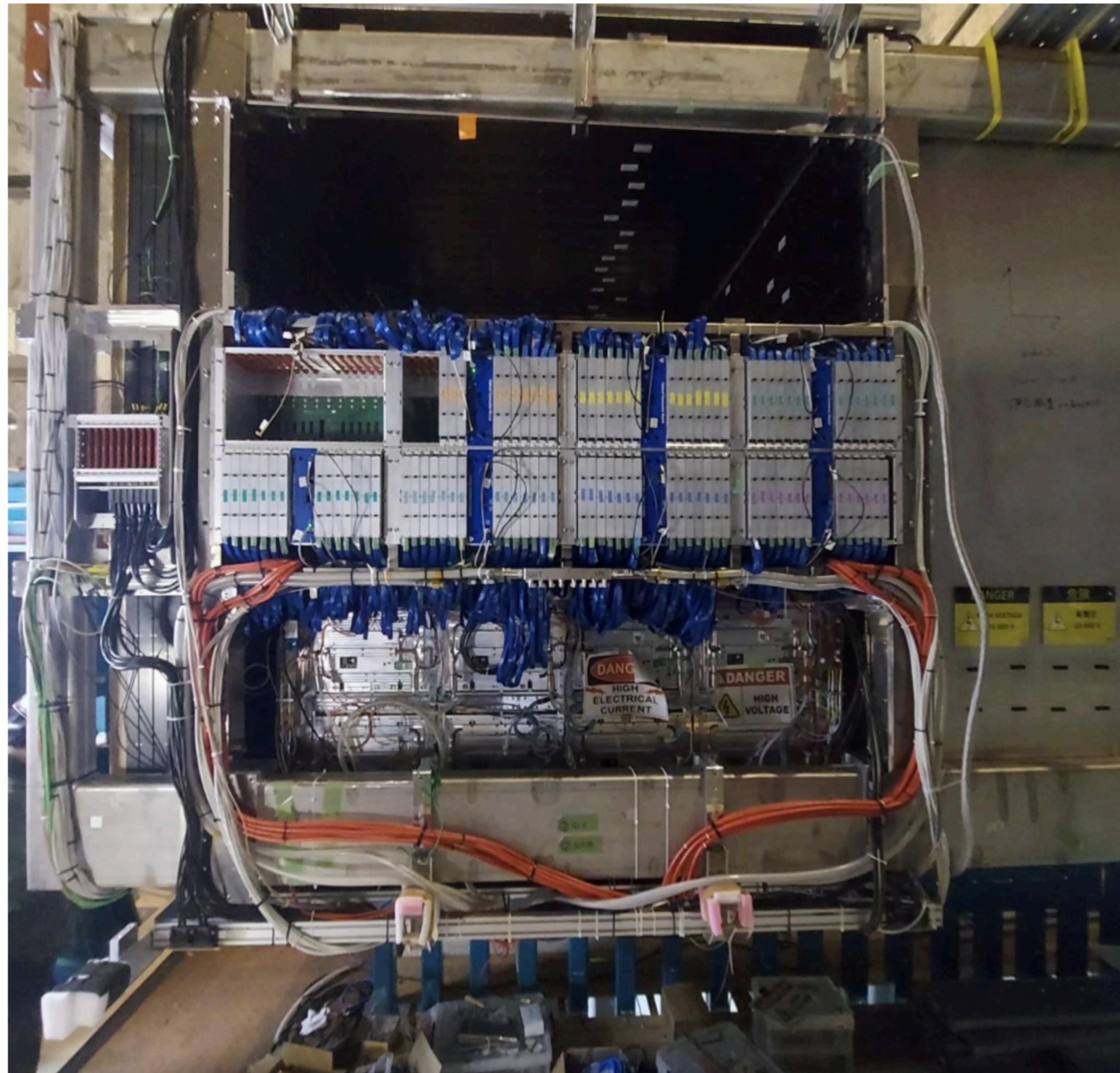
- Reconstruct track direction to reject tracks entering the new tracker region
- All 6 TOF modules assembled and tested at CERN and shipped to J-PARC
- Time resolution ~ 150 ps observed during tests at CERN
- 8 bunches neutrino beam structure clearly visible



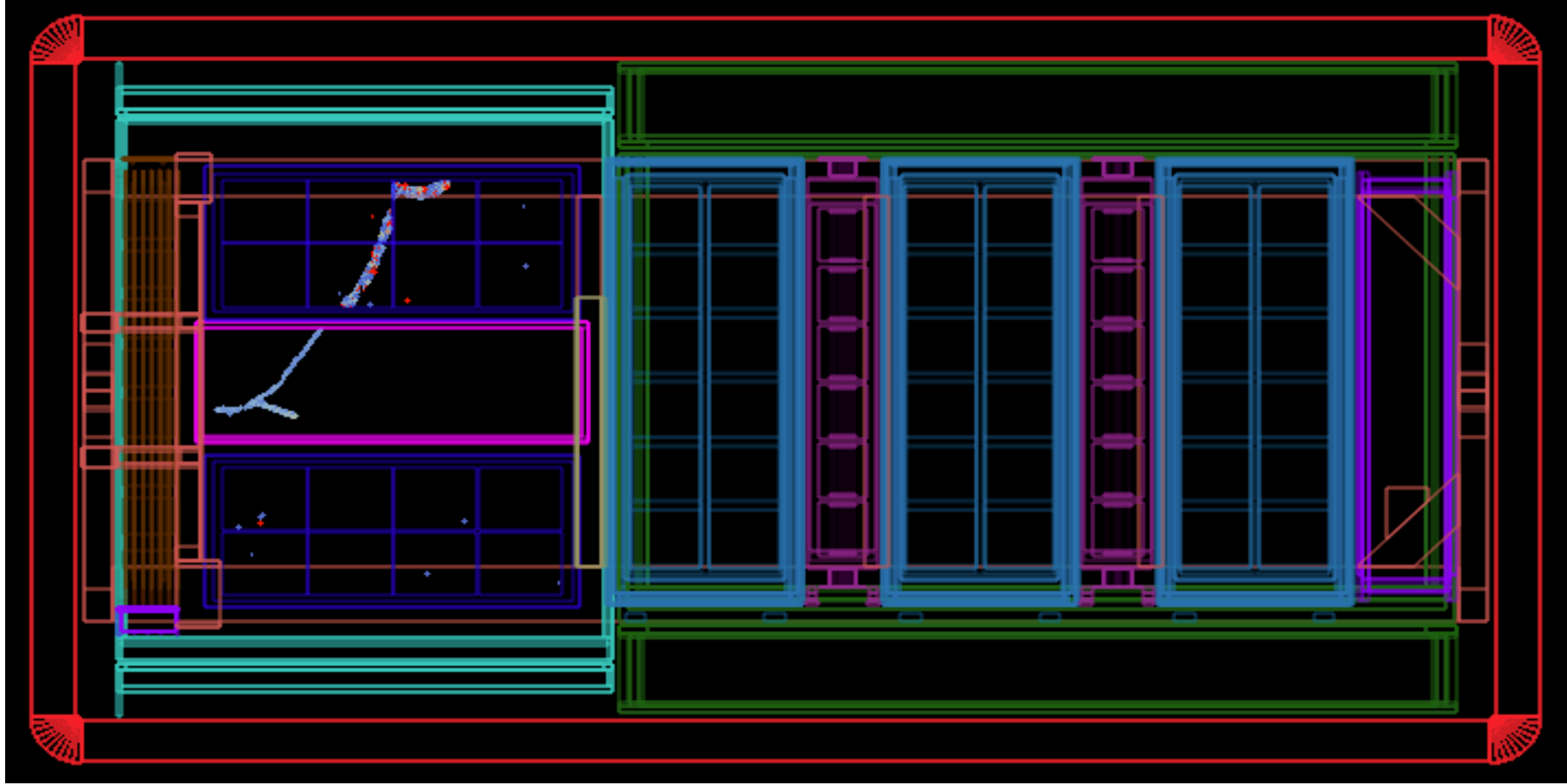
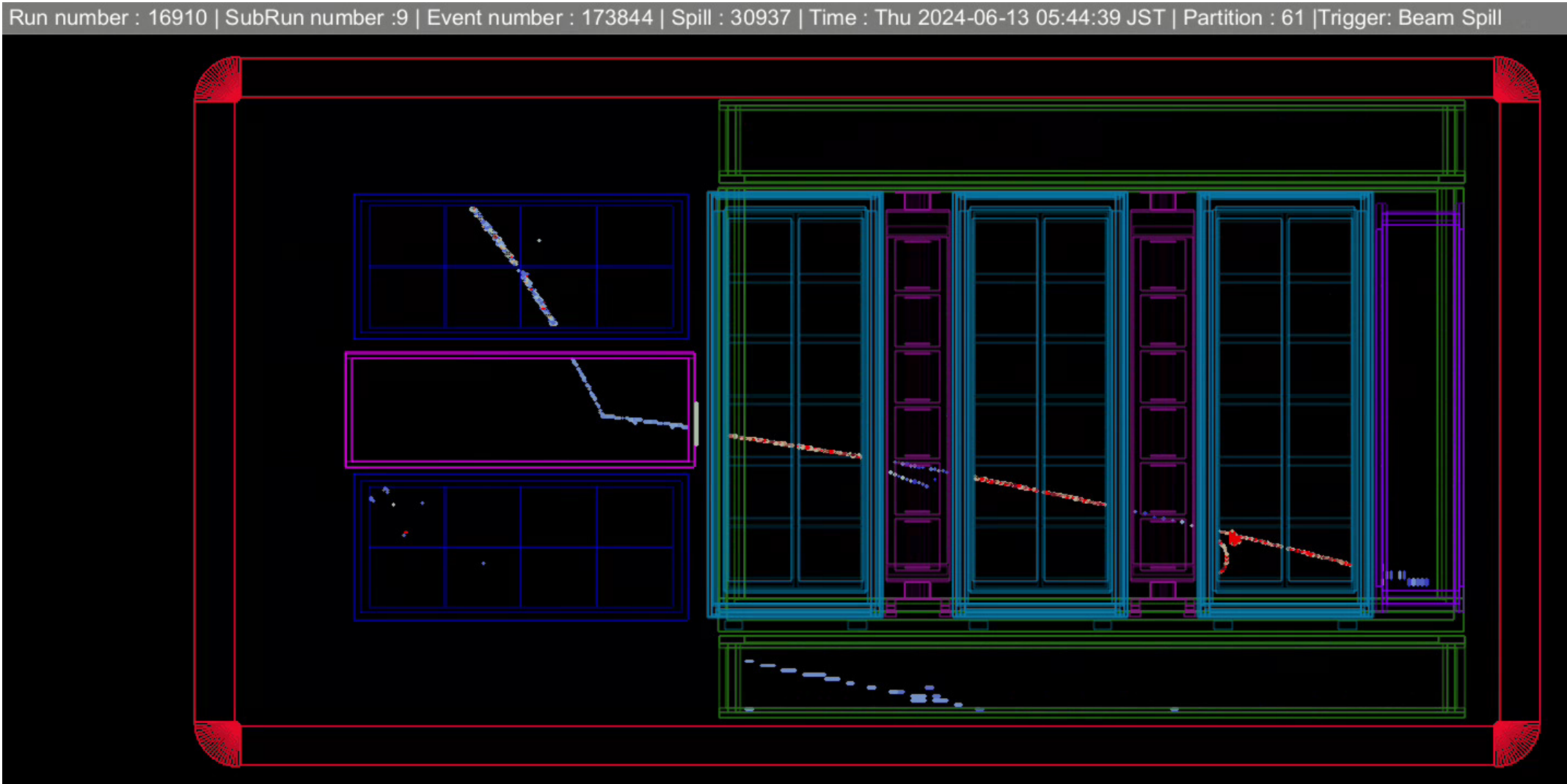
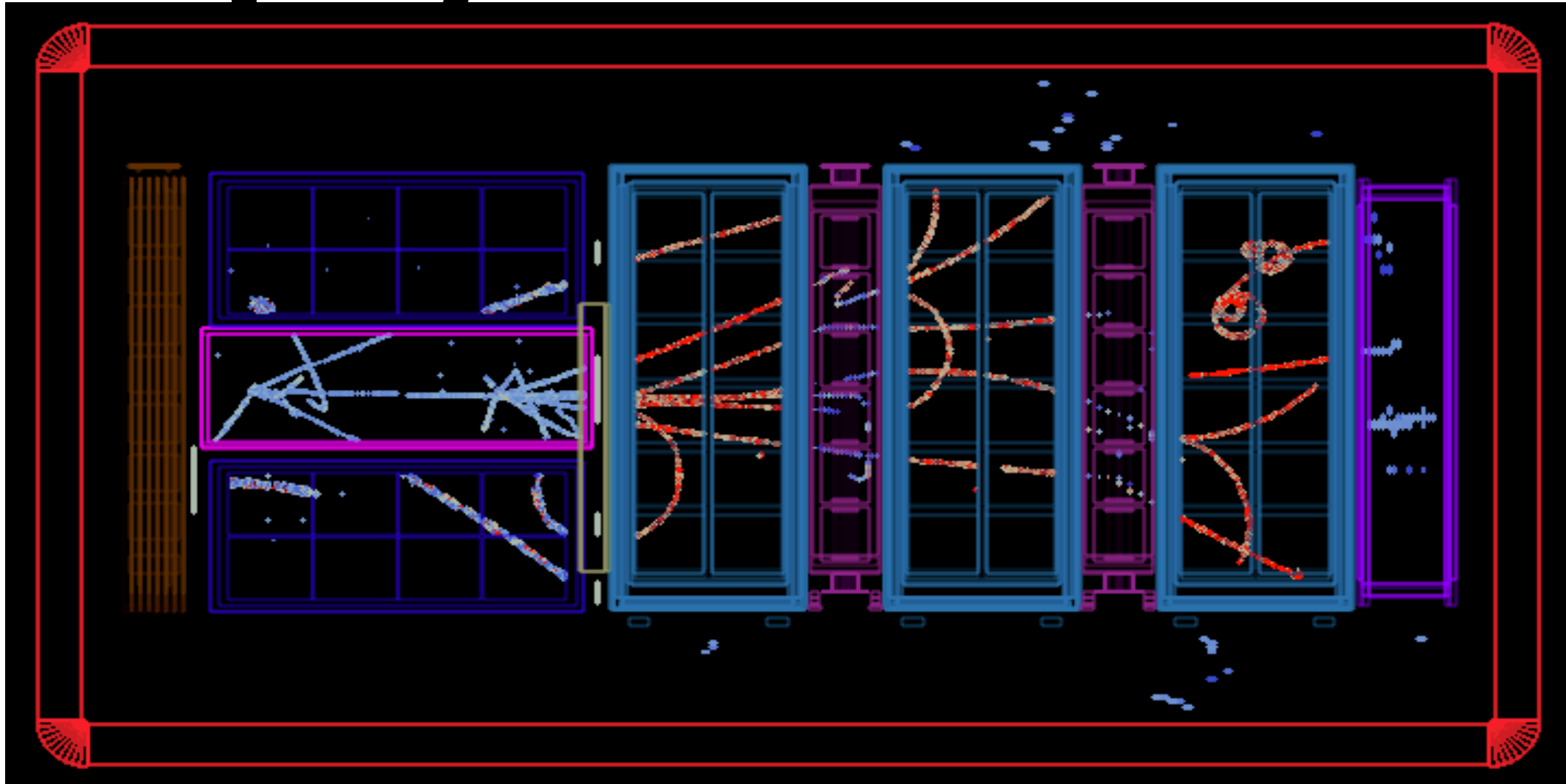
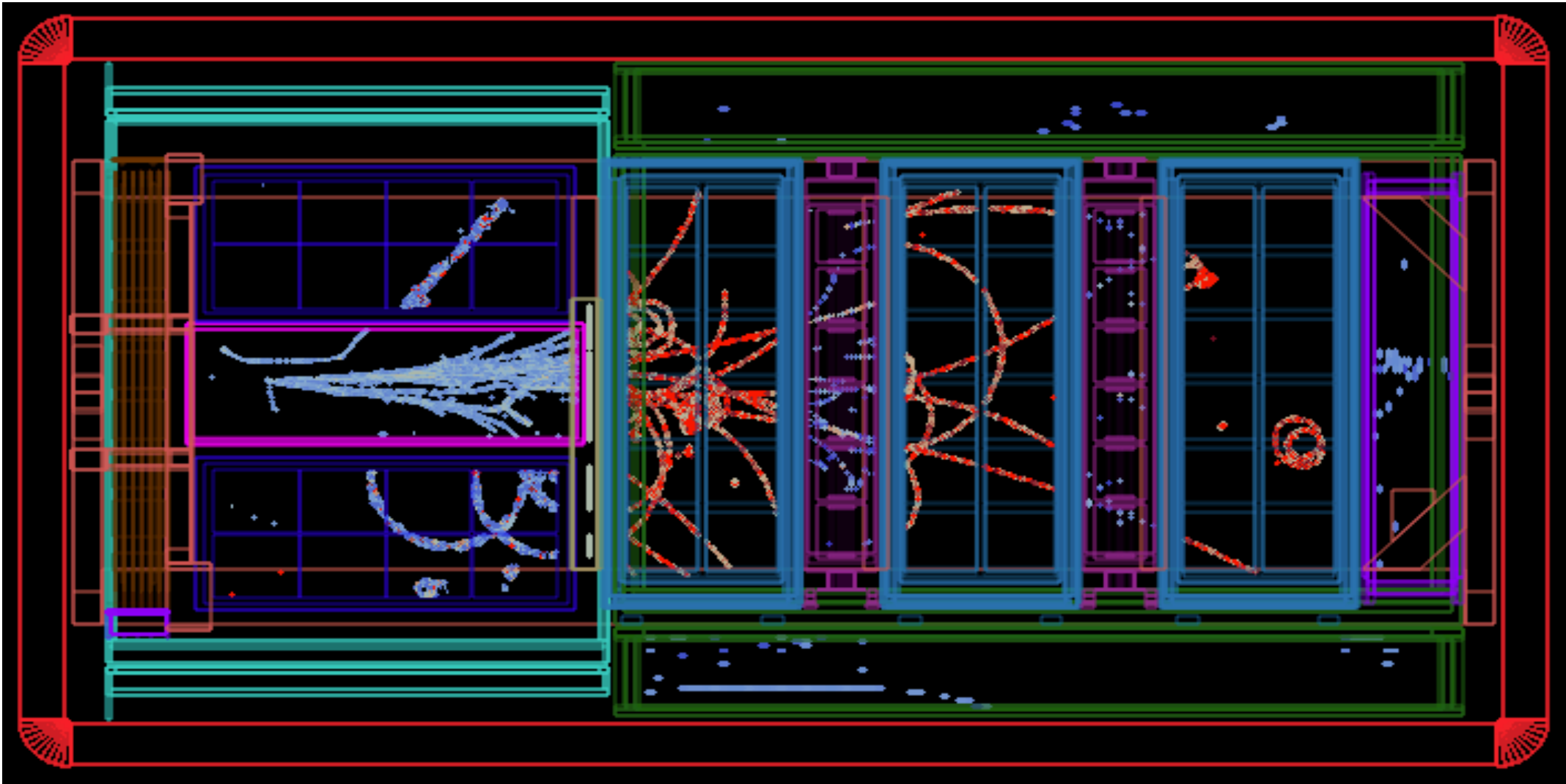
Installation at J-PARC



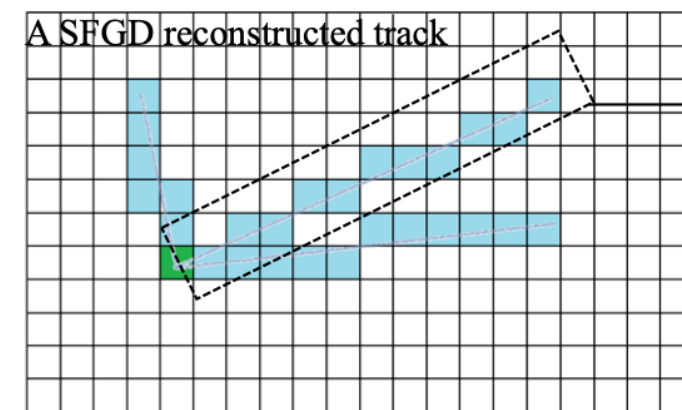
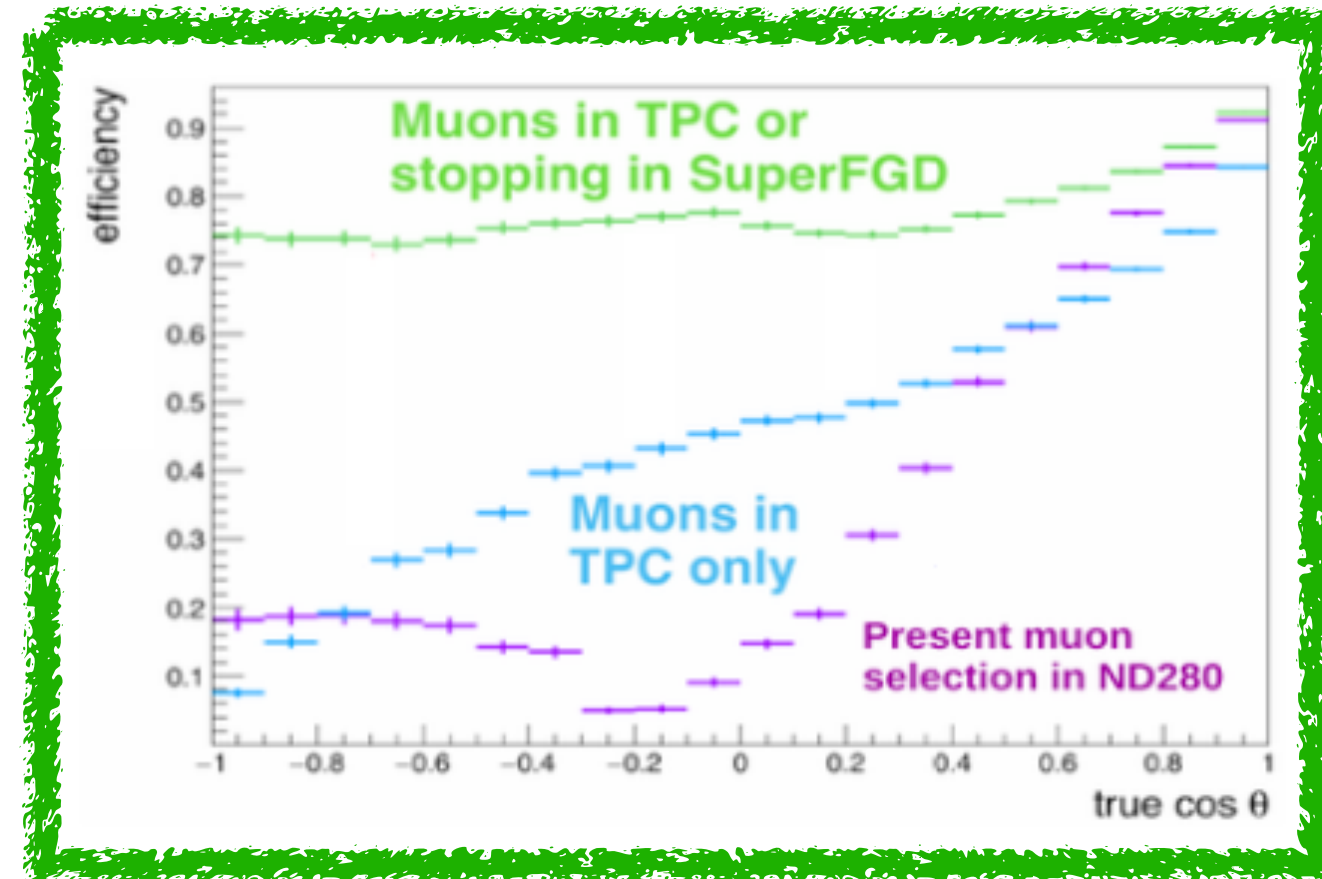
Detectors installed and taking data



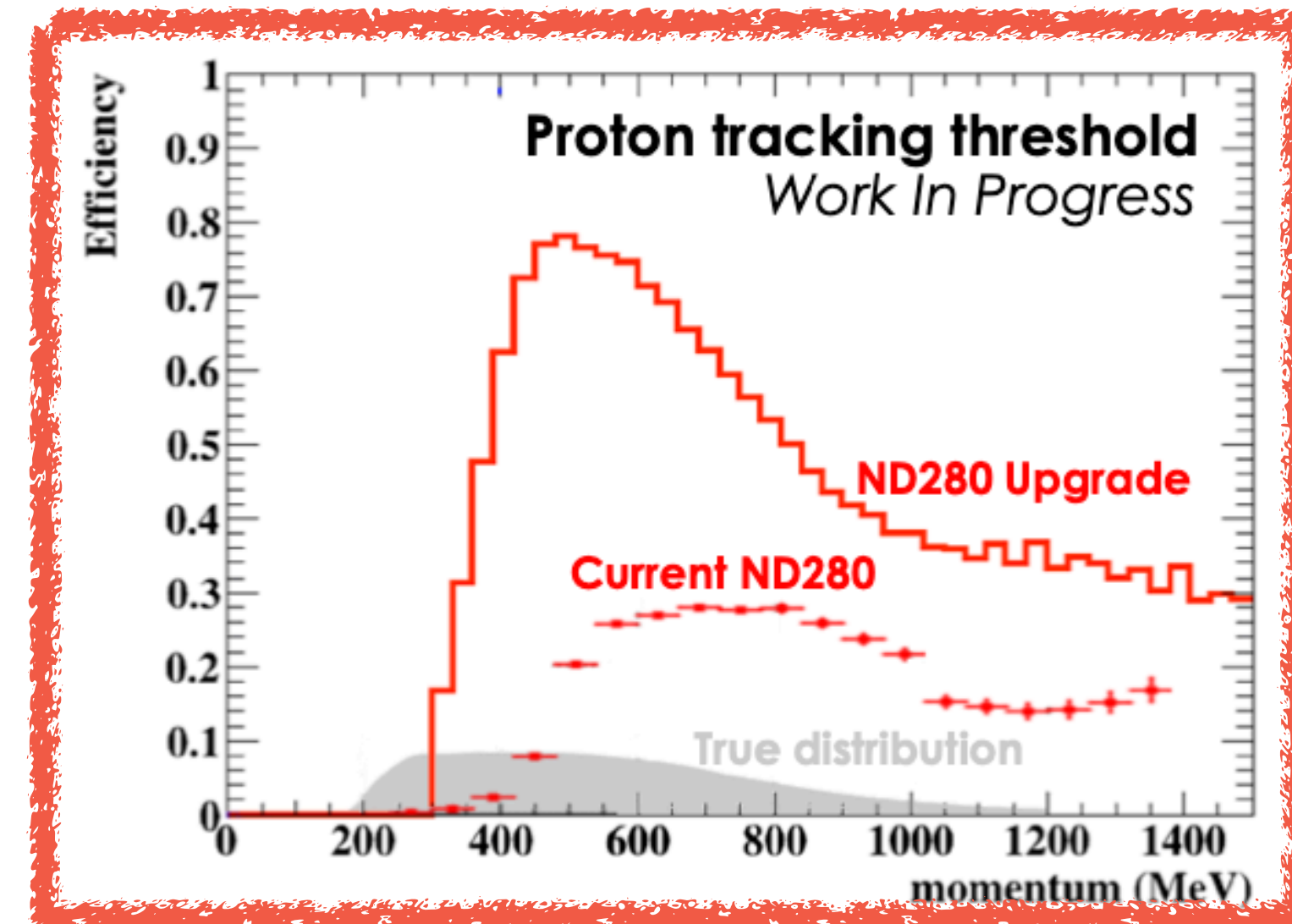
June 2024: Full upgrade



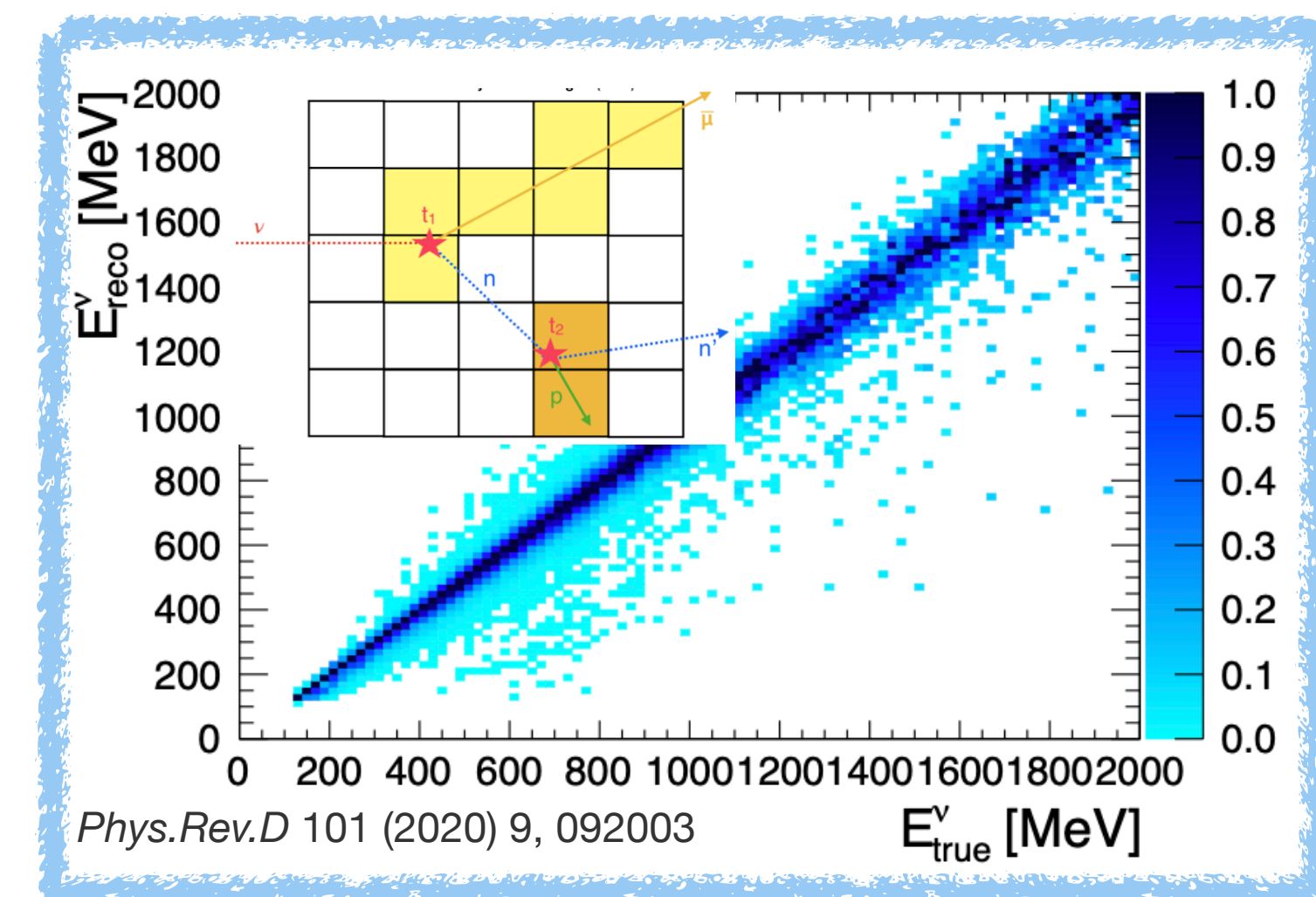
ND280 Upgrade improvements



Protons → threshold down to 300 MeV/c
(>500/c MeV with current ND280)

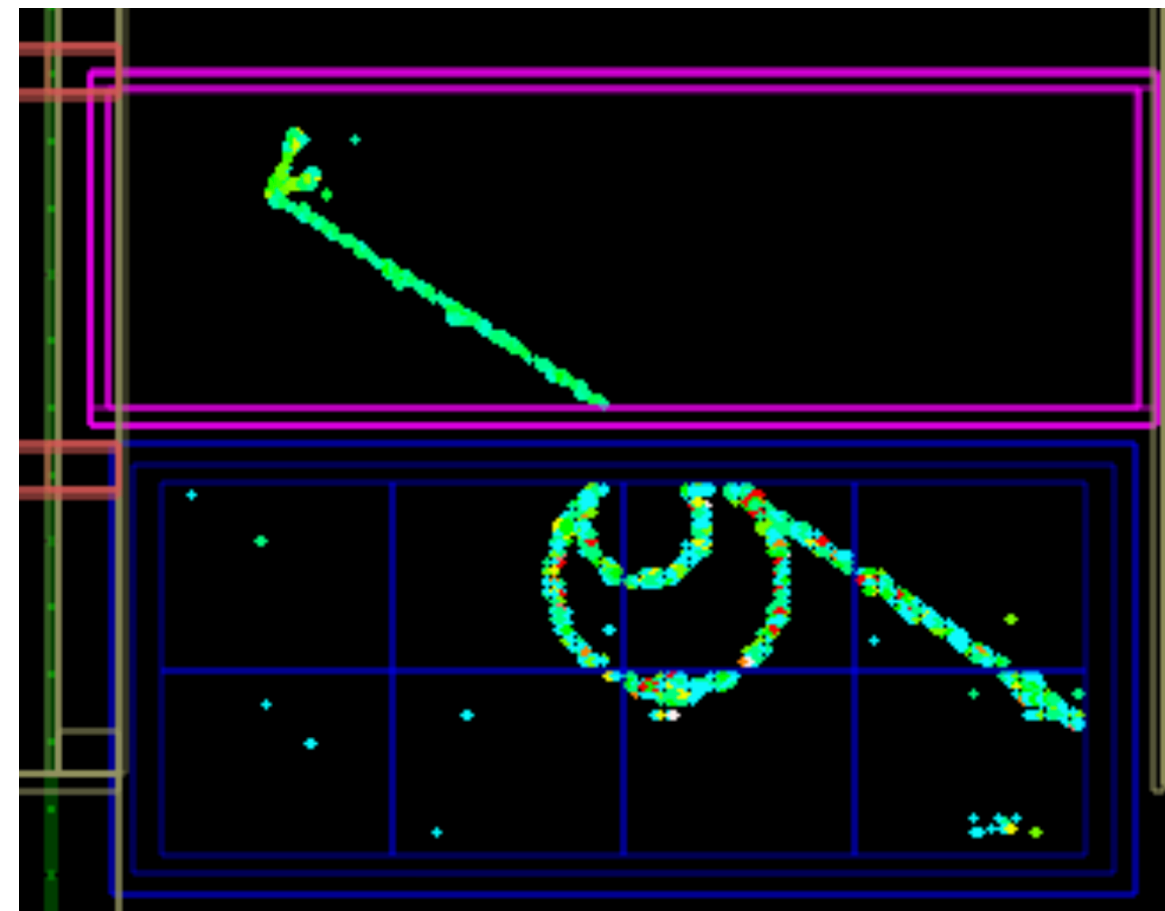


- High-Angle TPCs allow to reconstruct muons at any angle with respect to beam
- Super-FGD allow to fully reconstruct in 3D the tracks issued by ν interactions → lower threshold and excellent resolution to reconstruct protons at any angle
 - Improved PID performances thanks to the high granularity and light yield
- Neutrons will also be reconstructed by using time of flight between vertex of $\bar{\nu}$ interaction and the neutron re-interaction in the detector



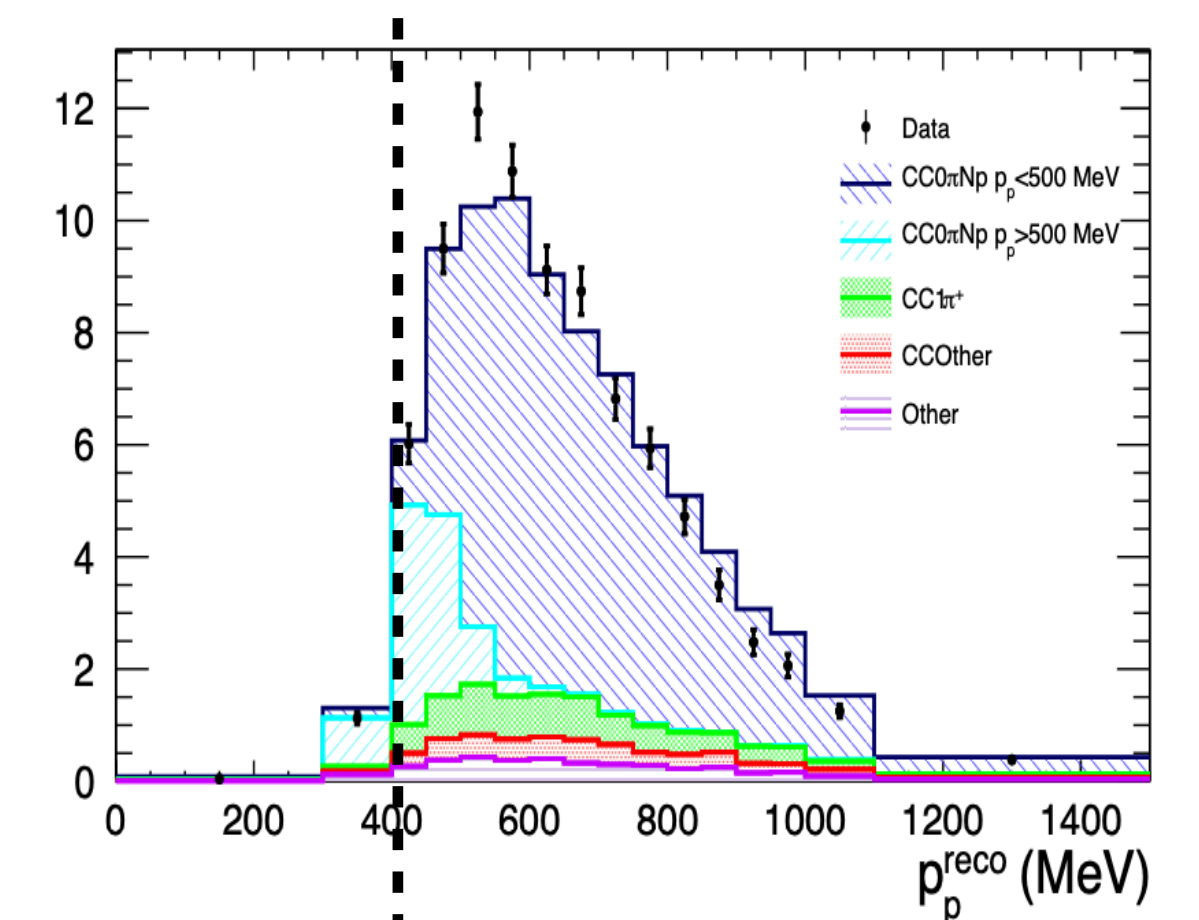
Expected performances ν_μ

- First physics run with full upgrade currently on-going
- Expect to select 20k ν_μ CC0 π interactions in the super-FGD for 1 month of beam
- ~ half of them with a reconstructed proton

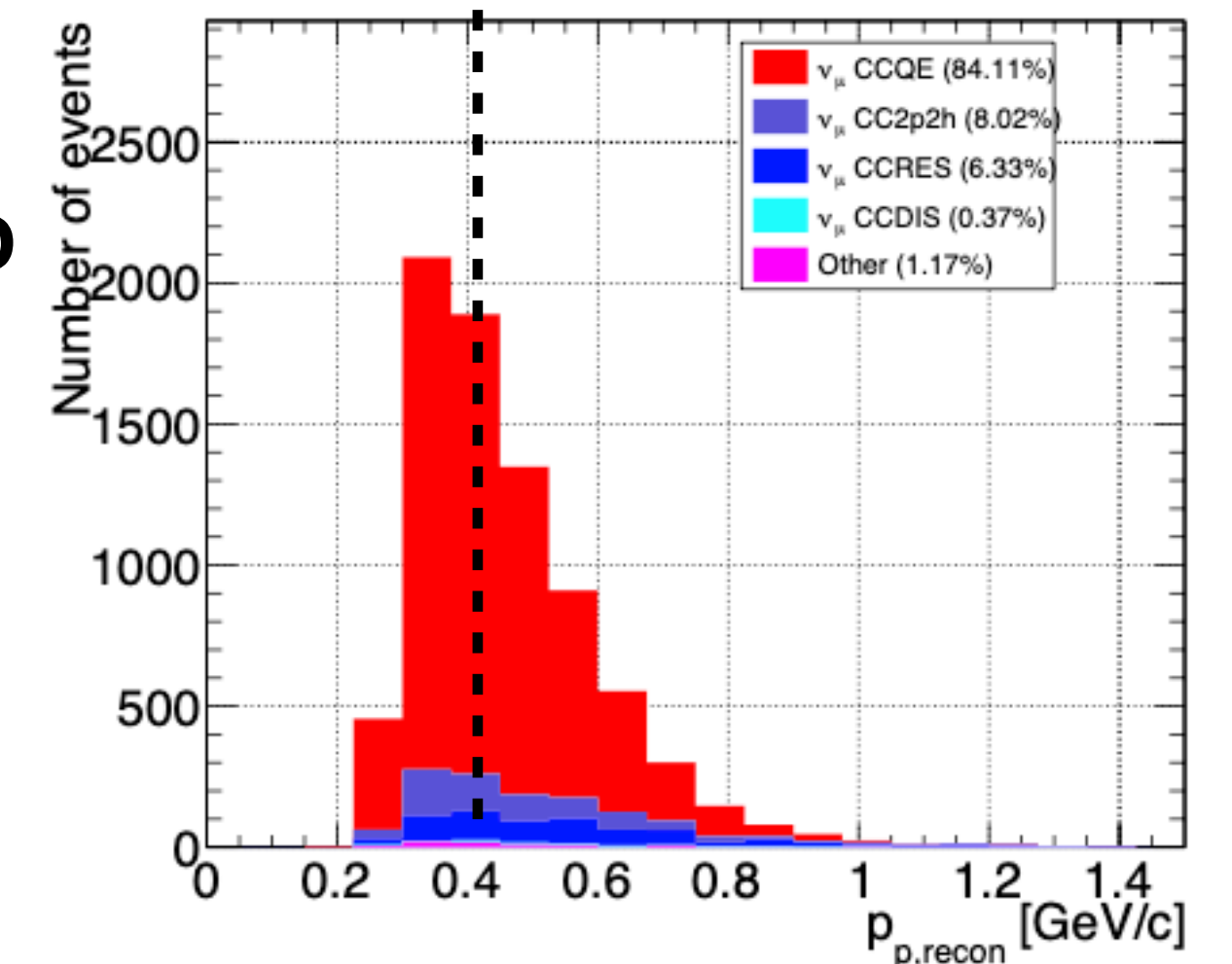


FGD

sFGD

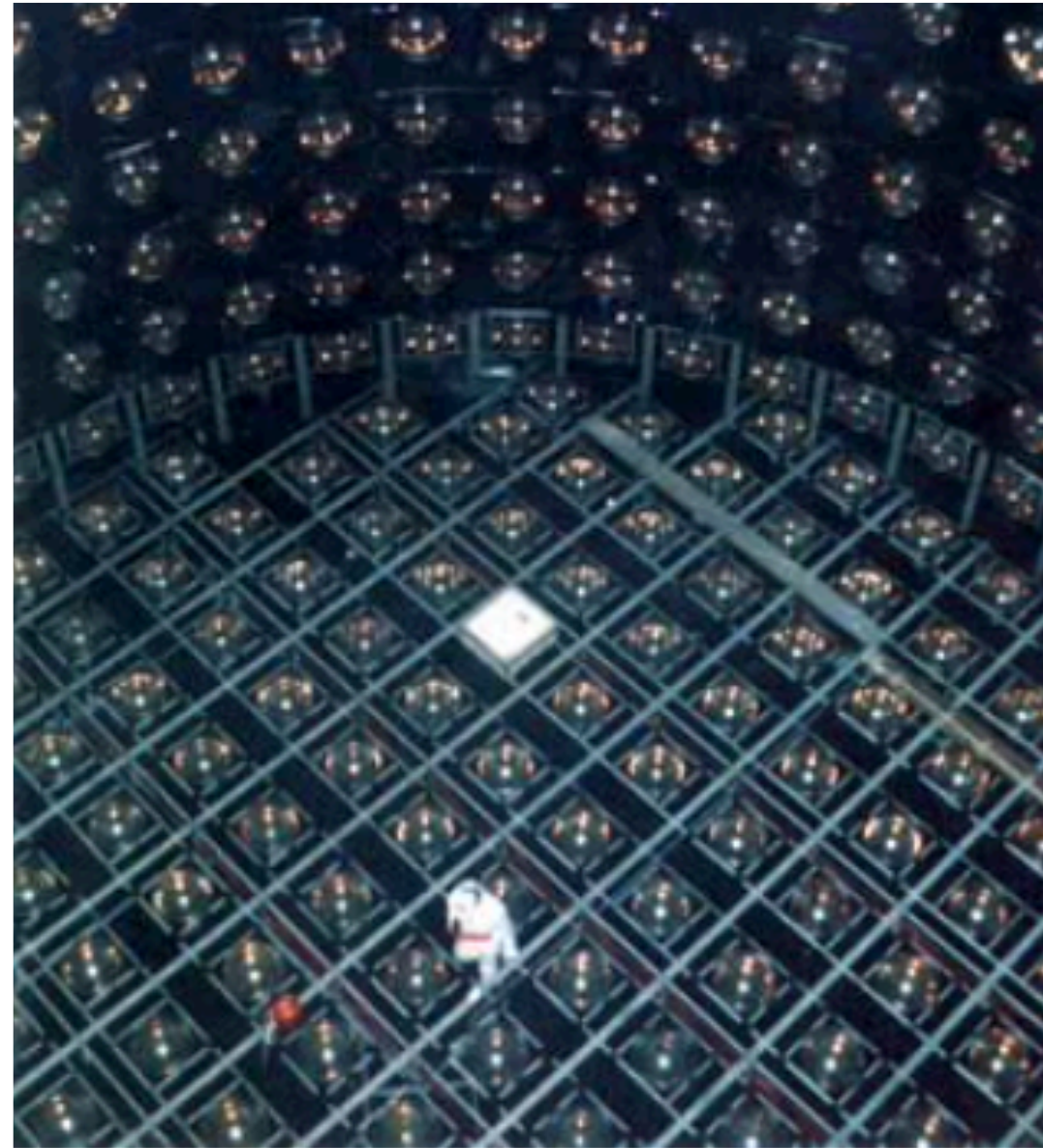


T2K Work in Progress (9.89×10^{20} POT)



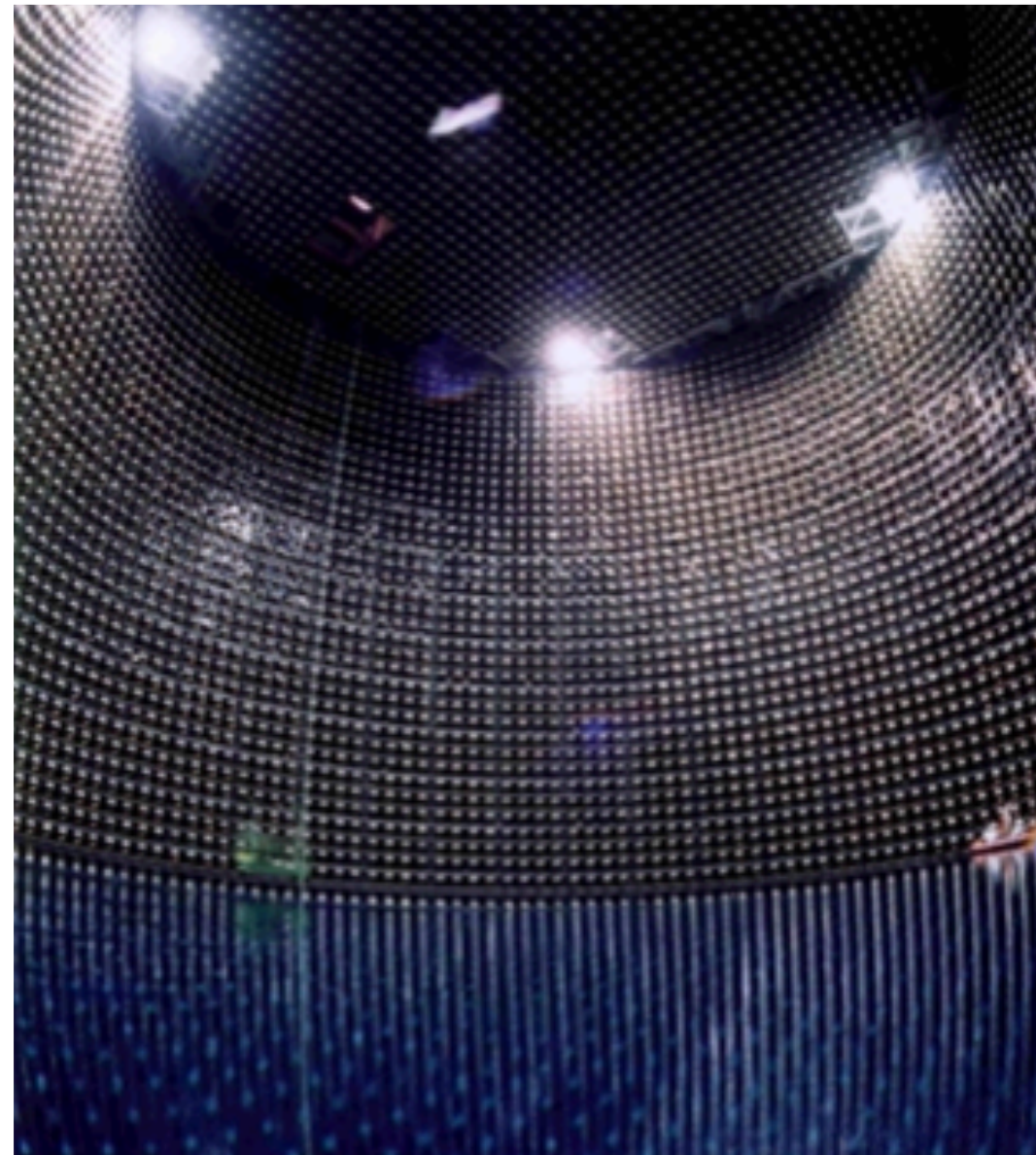
Towards Hyper-Kamiokande

Water Cherenkov Detectors



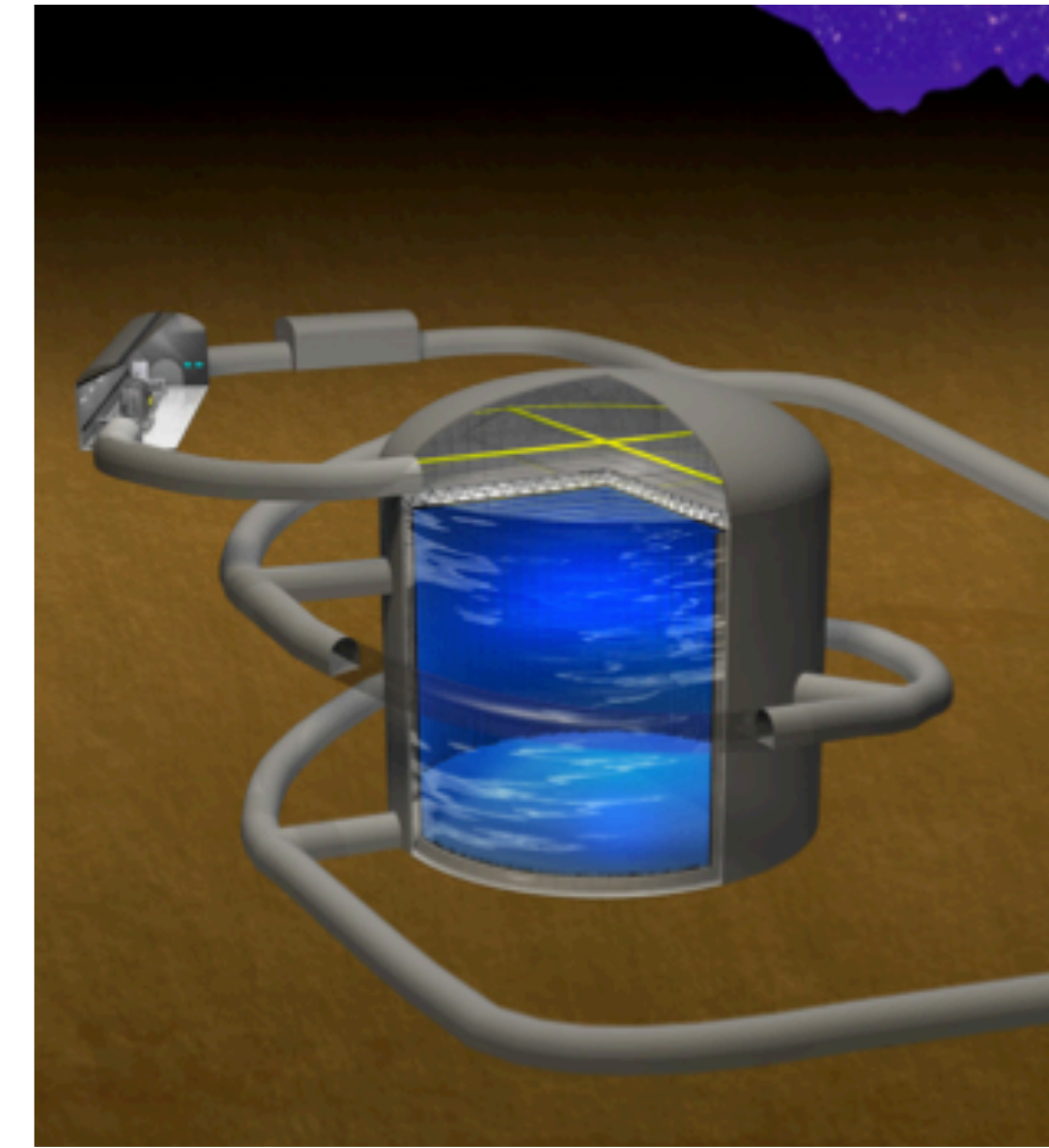
Kamiokande
(1983-1996)

- Atmospheric and solar ν anomaly
- Supernova 1987A



Super-Kamiokande
(1996-ongoing)

- World best limit on proton decay
- Discovery of ν oscillations
- Measurement of oscillations (atm/solar/LBL)



Hyper-Kamiokande
(Start in 2027)

- Extended search of proton decay
- Search for CPV in leptonic sector
- Neutrino astrophysics

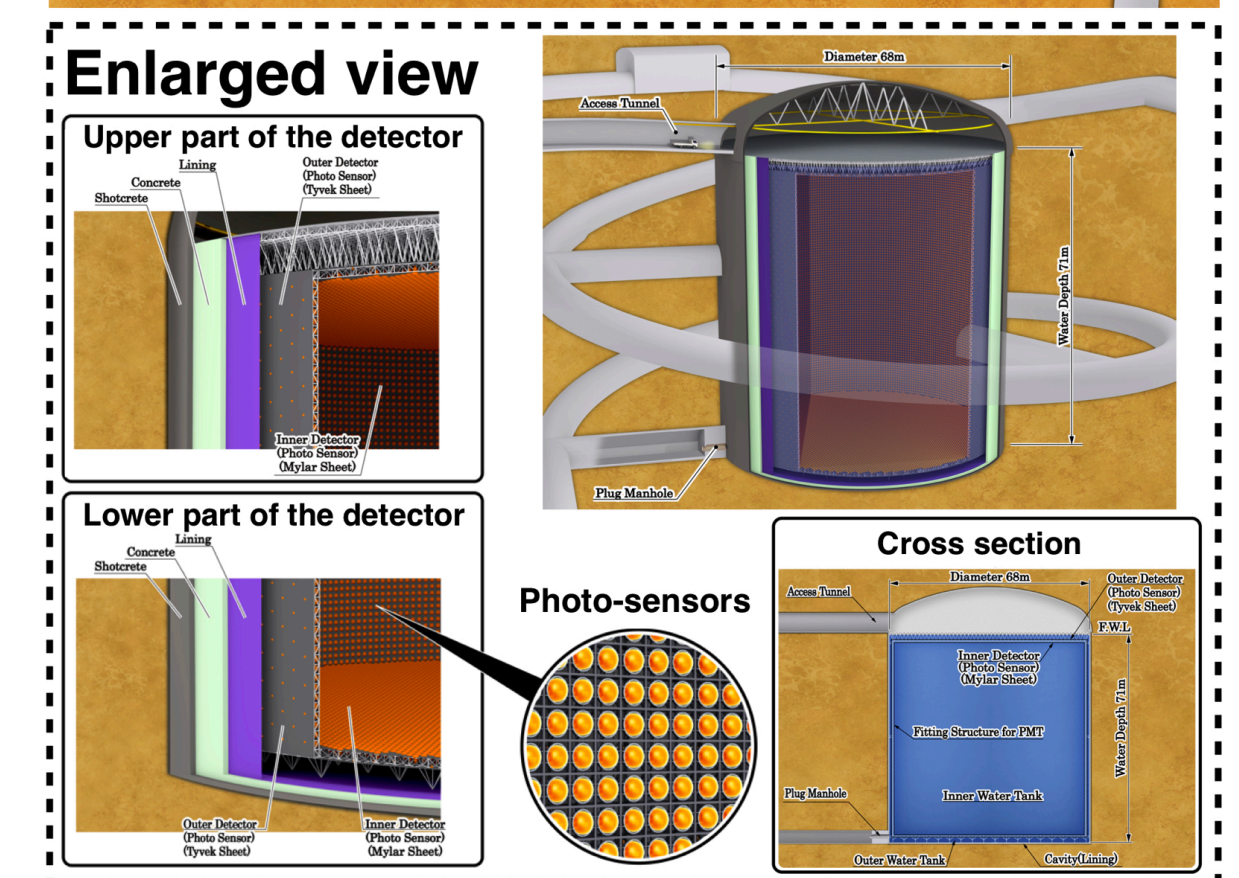
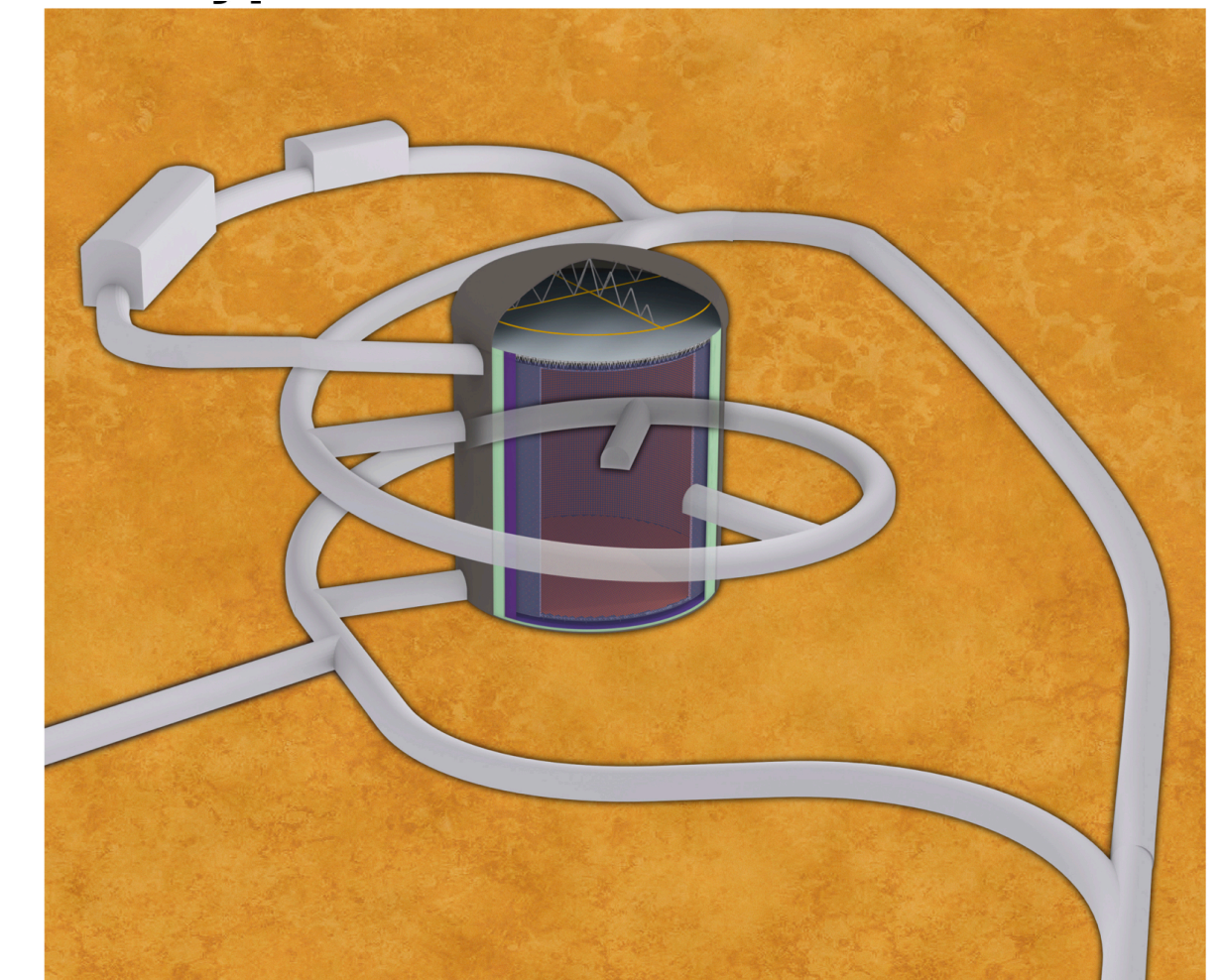


Hyper-Kamiokande

- Extremely well established Water Cherenkov technology
 - 190 kton FV (SK 22.5), instrumented with up to 40k PMTs
- HK will be the most sensitive observatory for rare events (proton decay, SN neutrinos, ...)
- Search for CP violation in lepton sector
 - Upgrade of J-PARC neutrino beam (1.3 MW)
 - Near and Intermediate detector complex
- Construction started in April 2020 → start operation in 2027



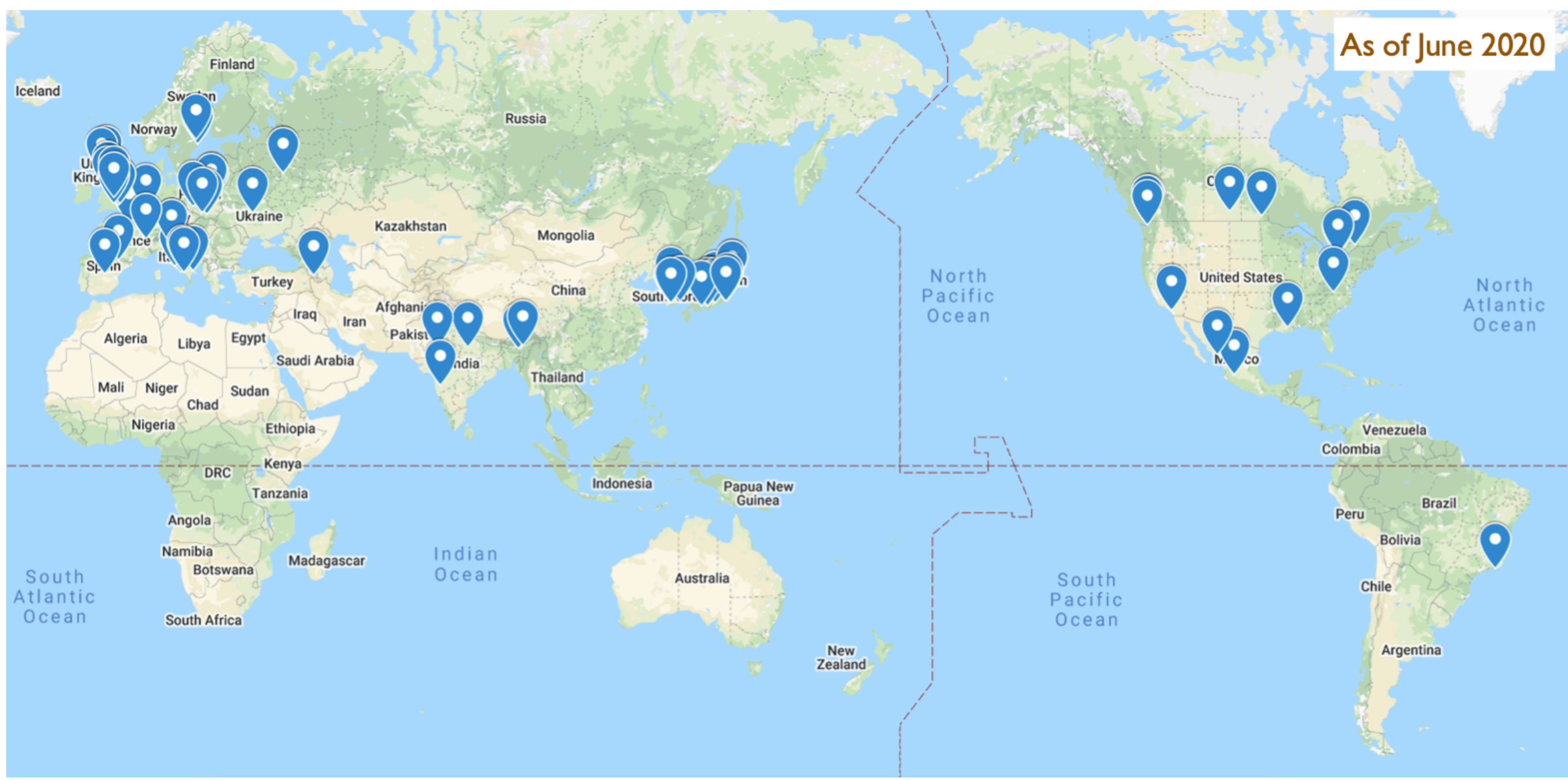
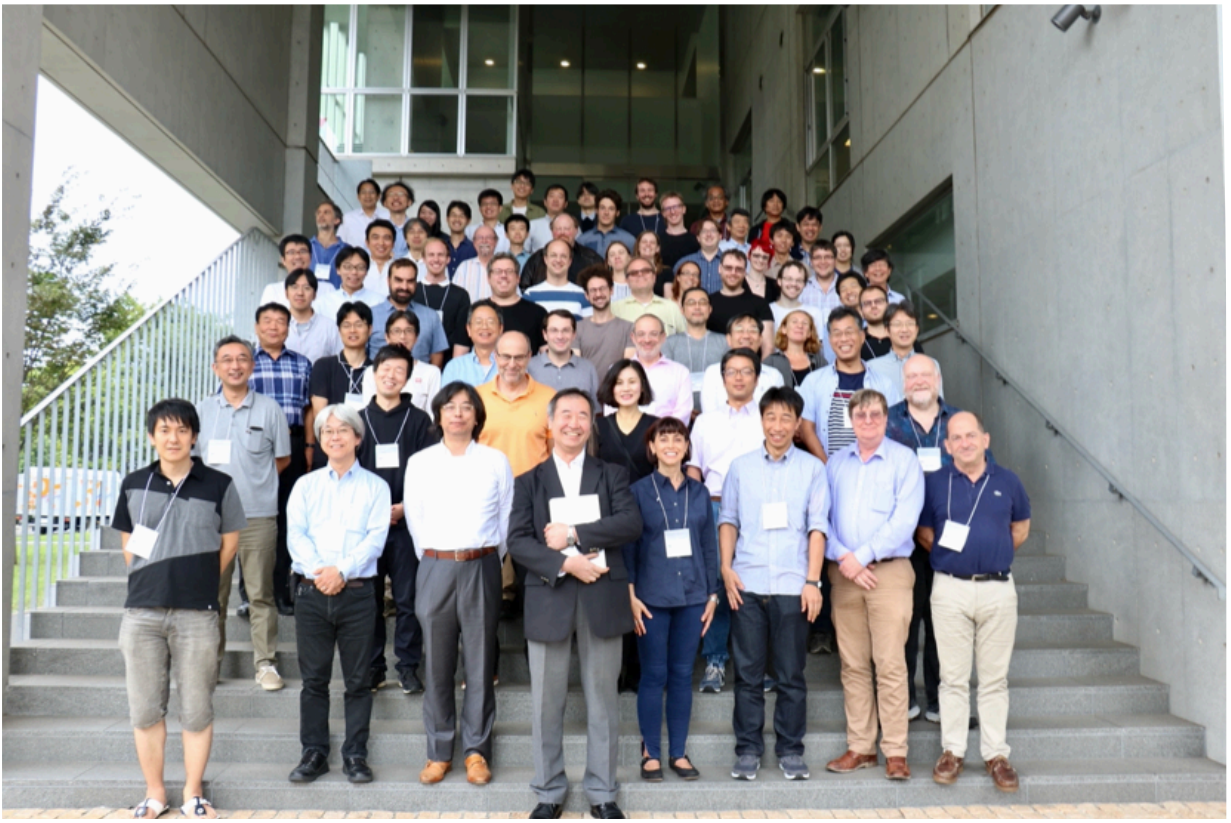
Excavation reached center of cavern dome in July



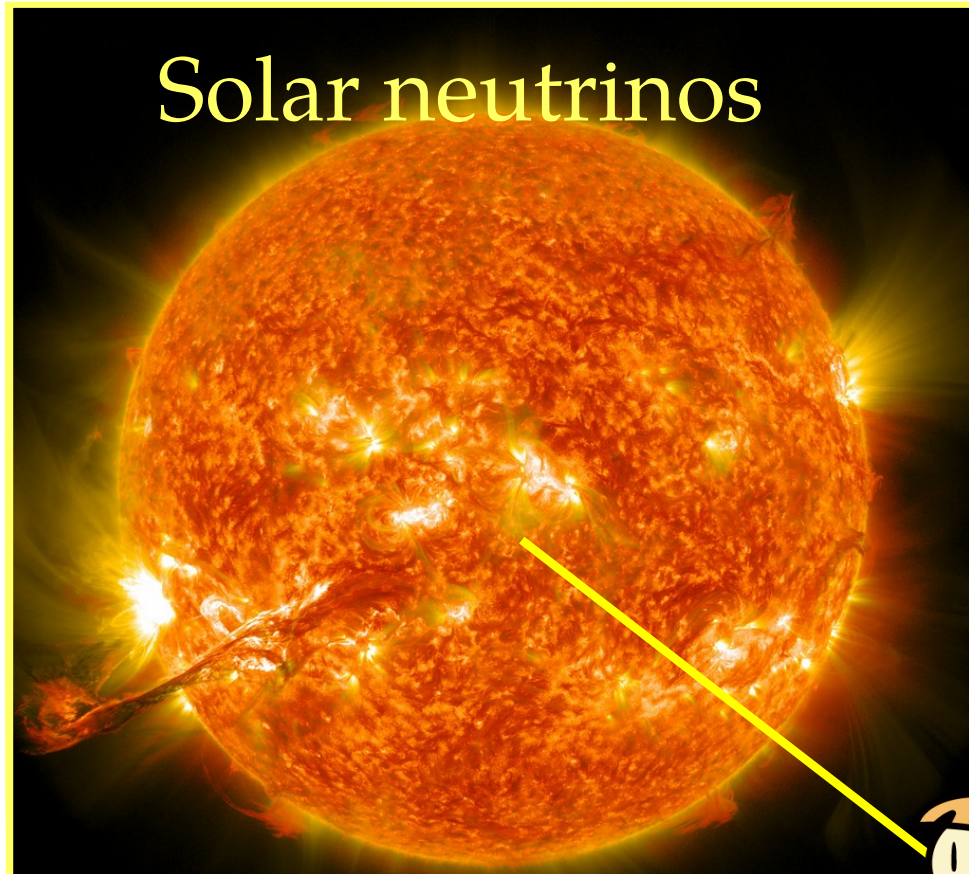
Hyper-Kamiokande collaboration



18 countries, 82 institutes, ~390 people



Physics case

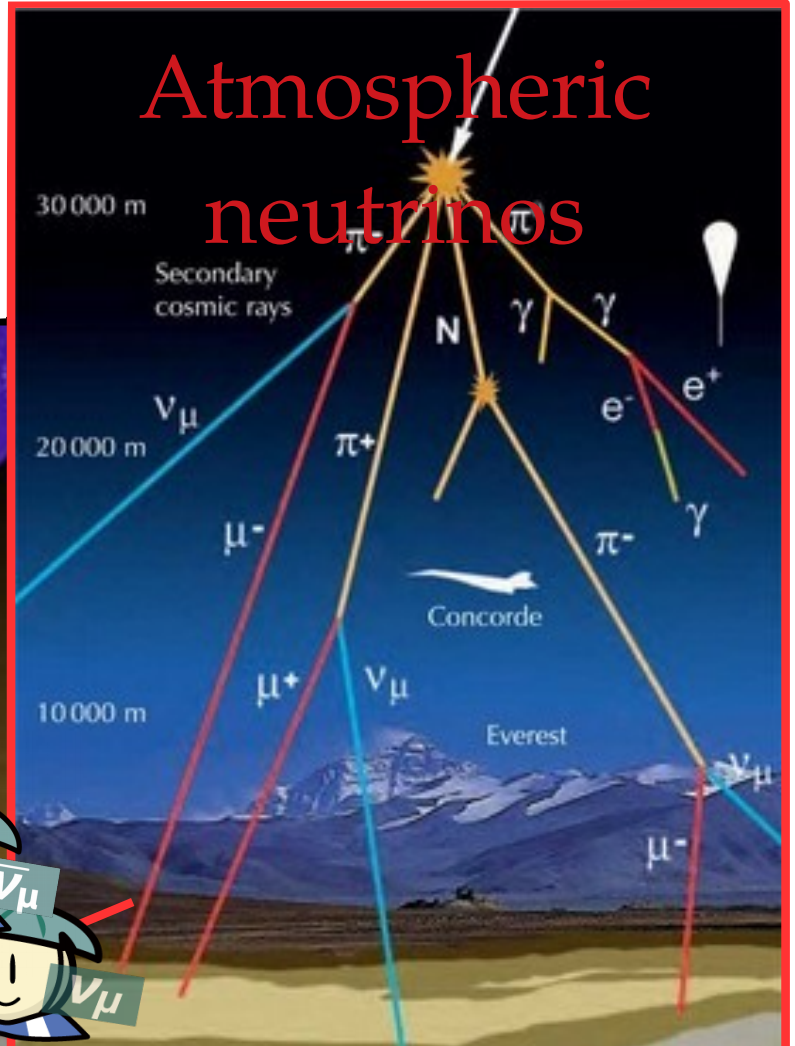


- MSW effect in the Sun
- Non-standard interactions in the Sun.



- Direct SN ν : Constrains SN models.
- Relic SN ν : Constrains cosmic star formation history

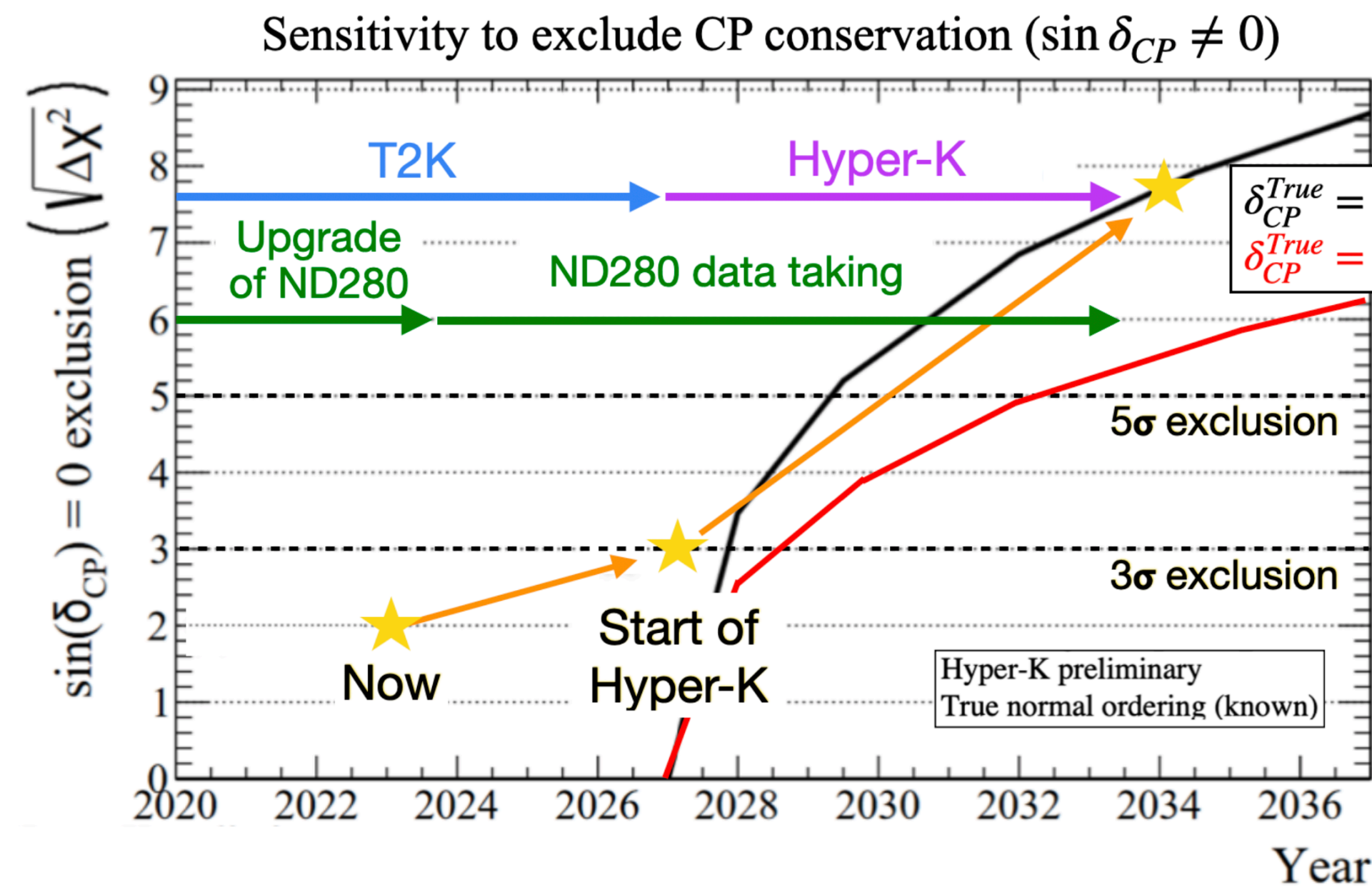
Proton decay
 Probe Grand Unified Theories through p-decay (world best sensitivity)



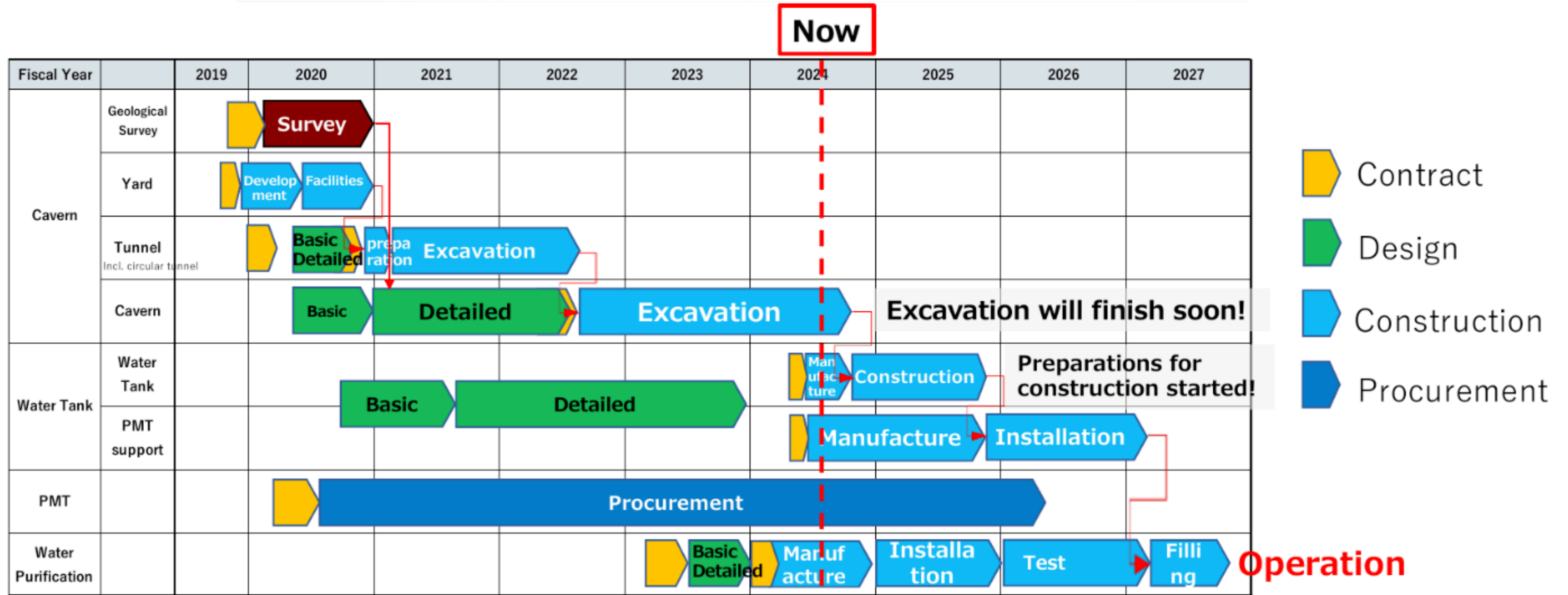
- Observe CP violation for leptons at 5σ
- Precise measurement of δ_{CP}
- High sensitivity to ν mass ordering.



JPARC accelerator neutrinos



HK schedule

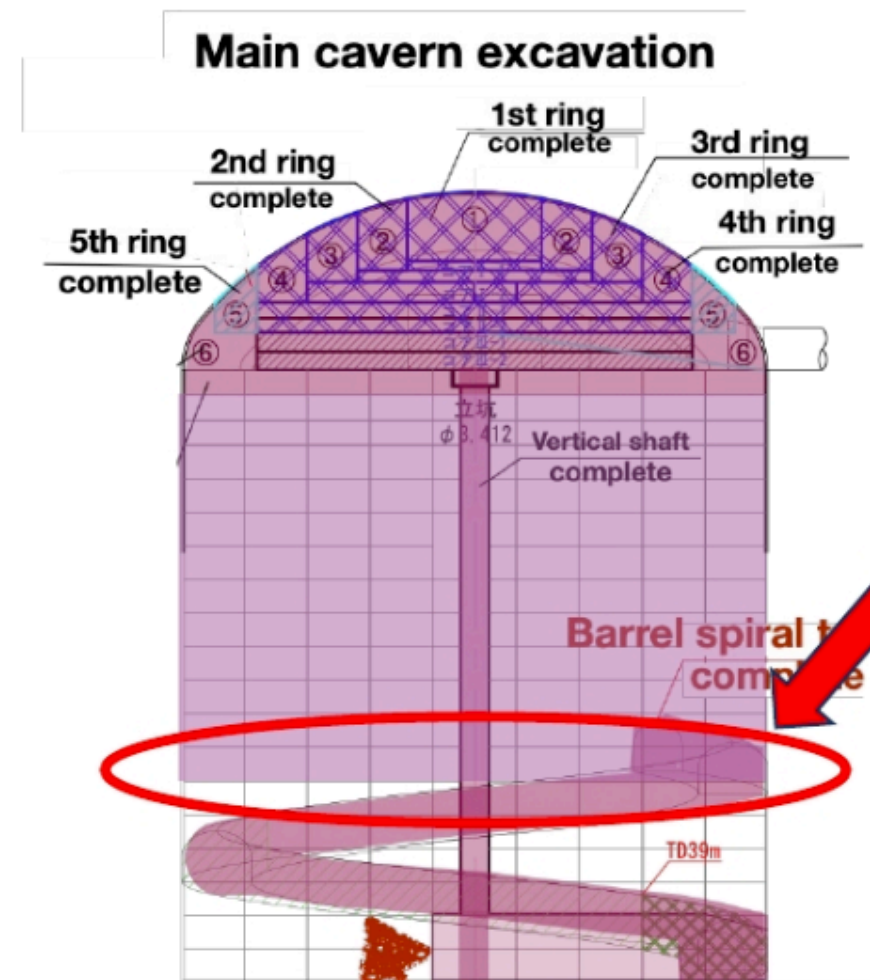
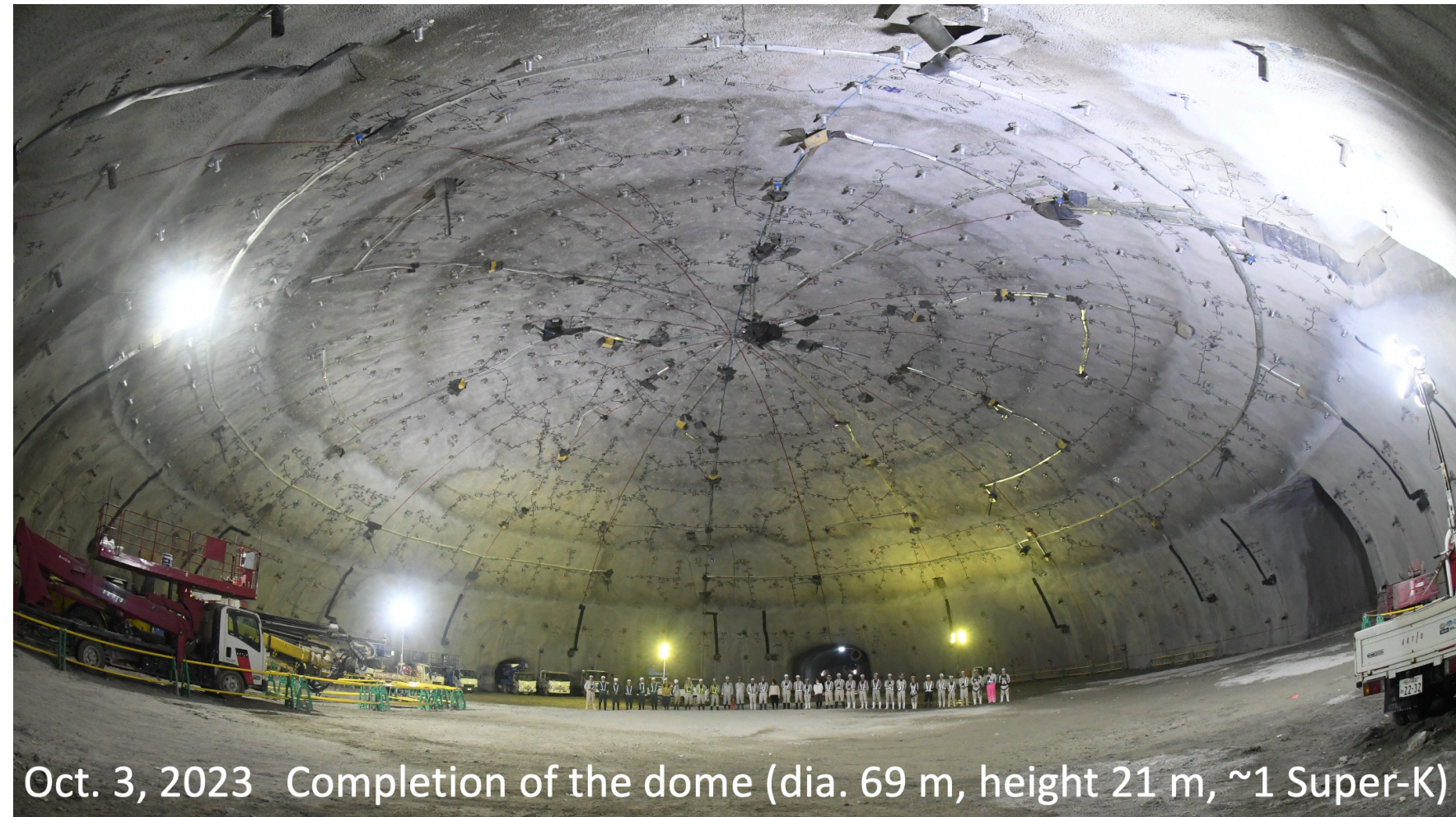


This schedule was proposed to the funding agency, MEXT, in June and approved in August.

Start operation in December 2027!

HK construction status

Excavating world largest human-made cavern



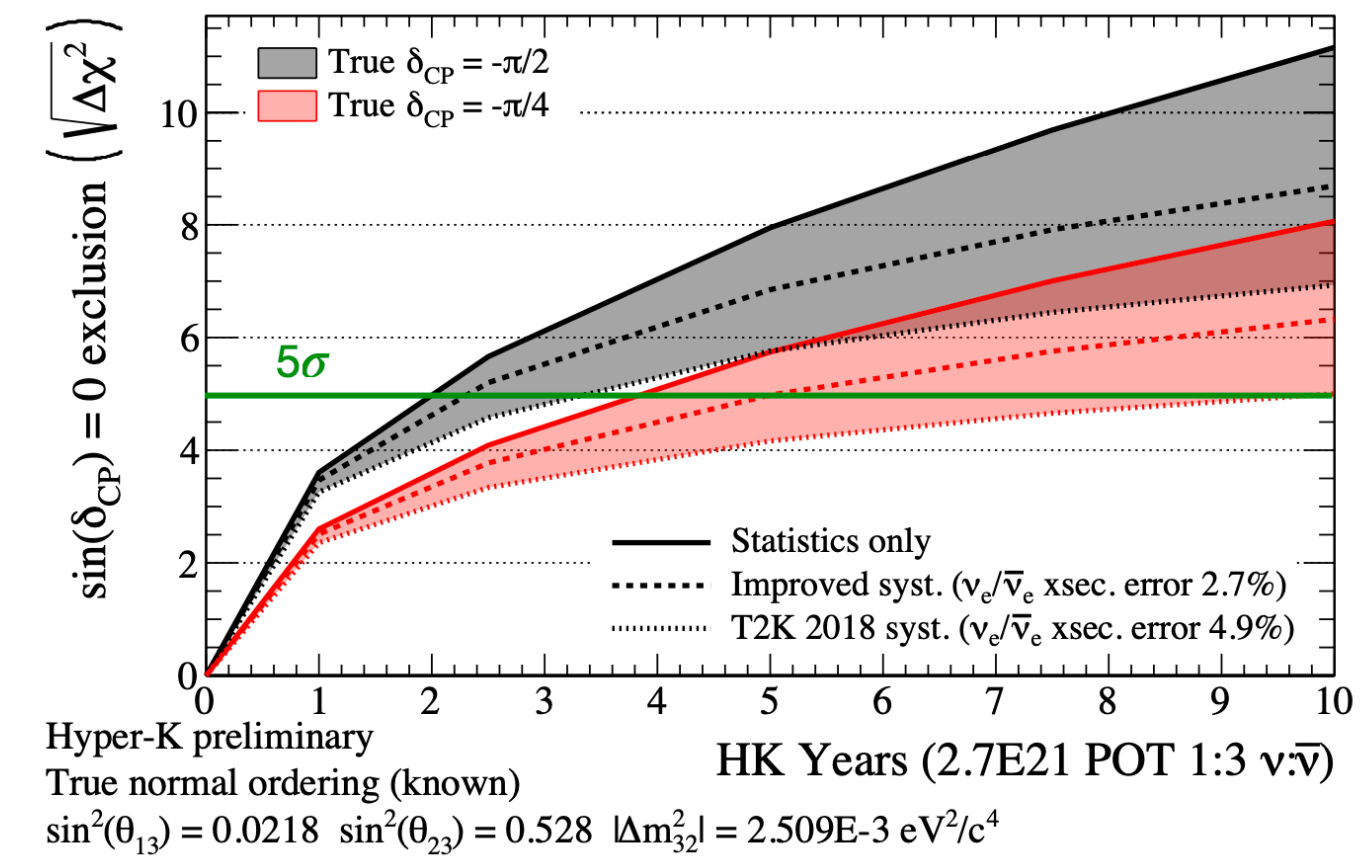
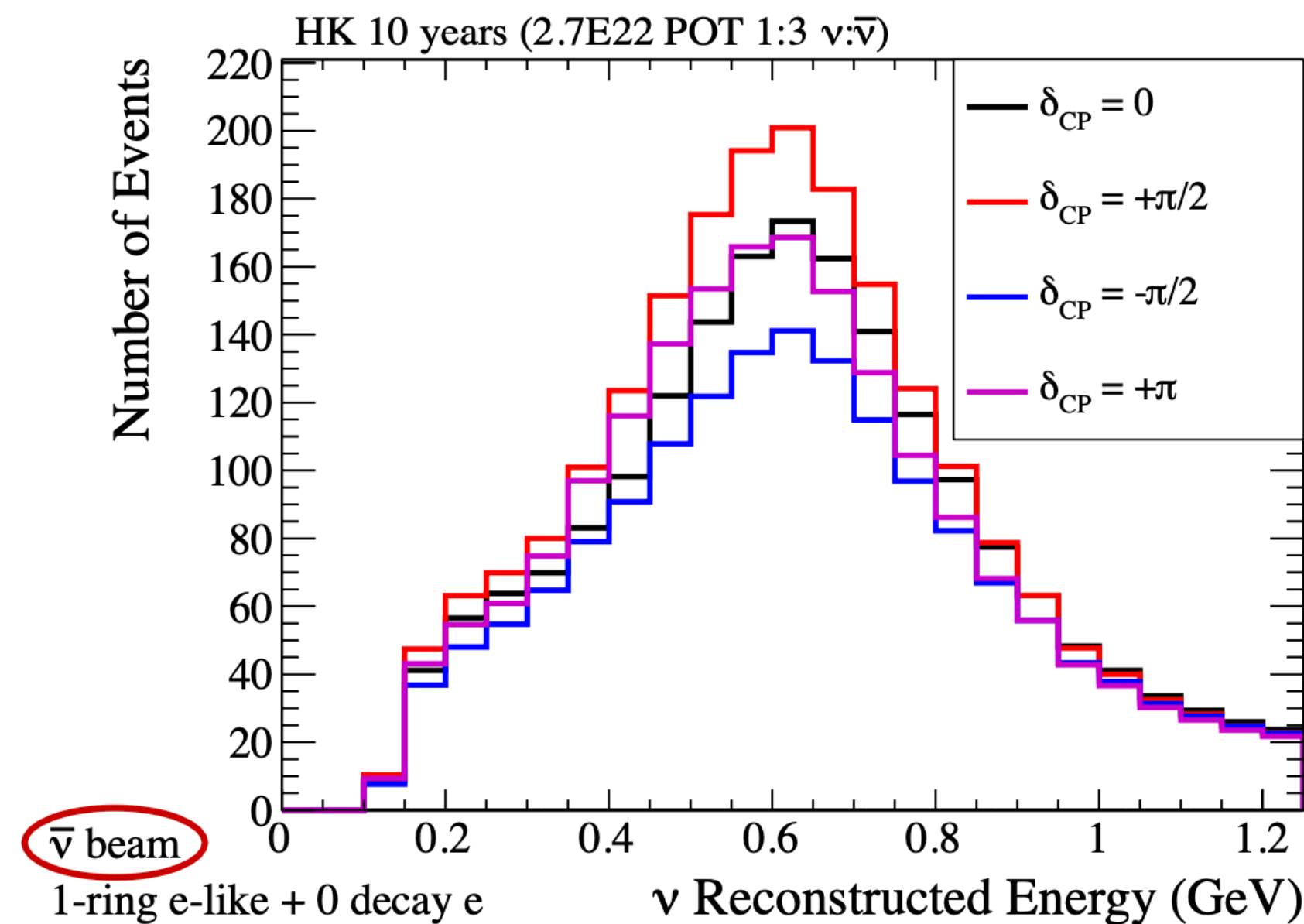
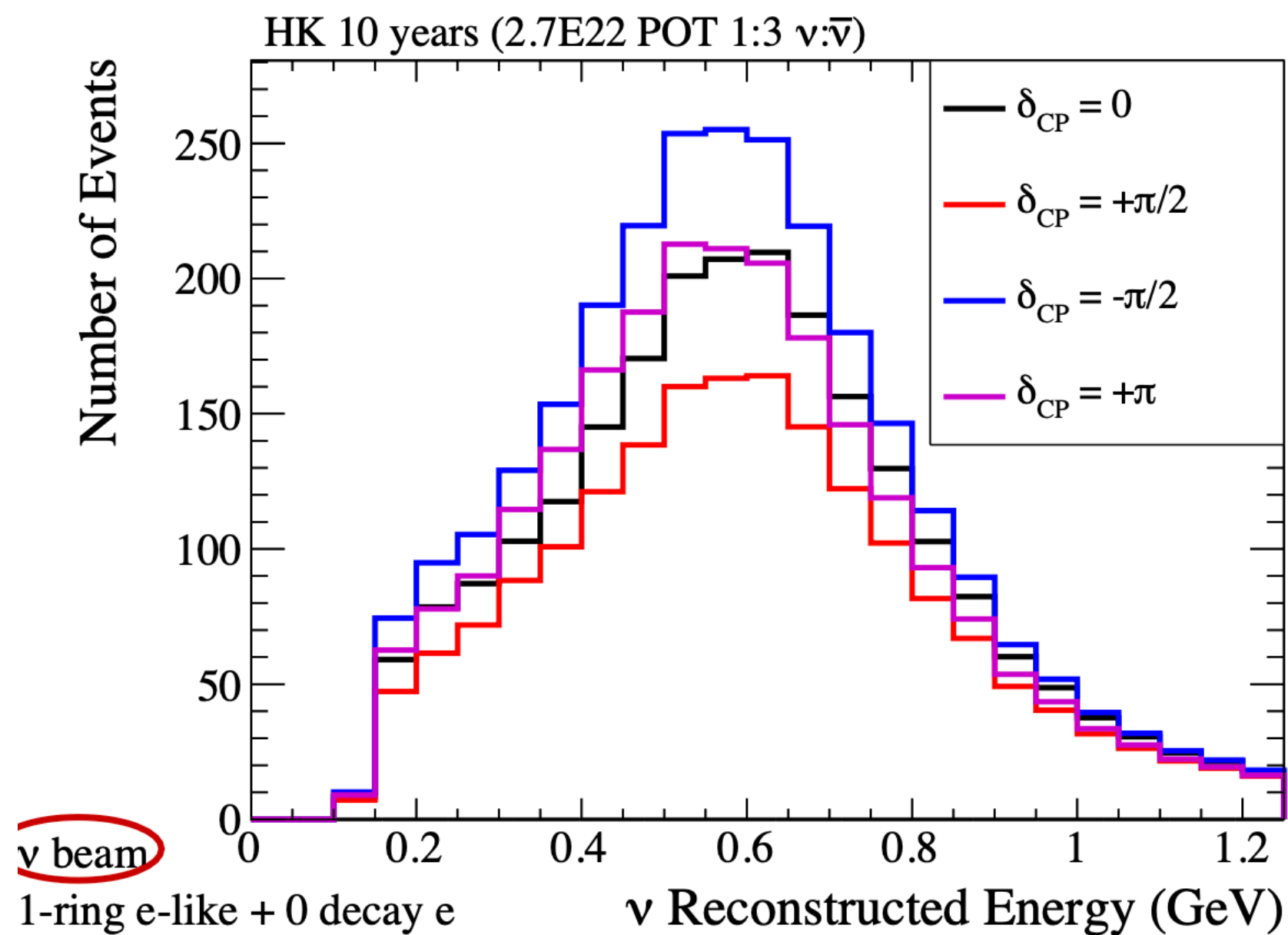
Excavation of the 13th bench
Remaining ~2 SK tanks
(~30 m³/hr average)



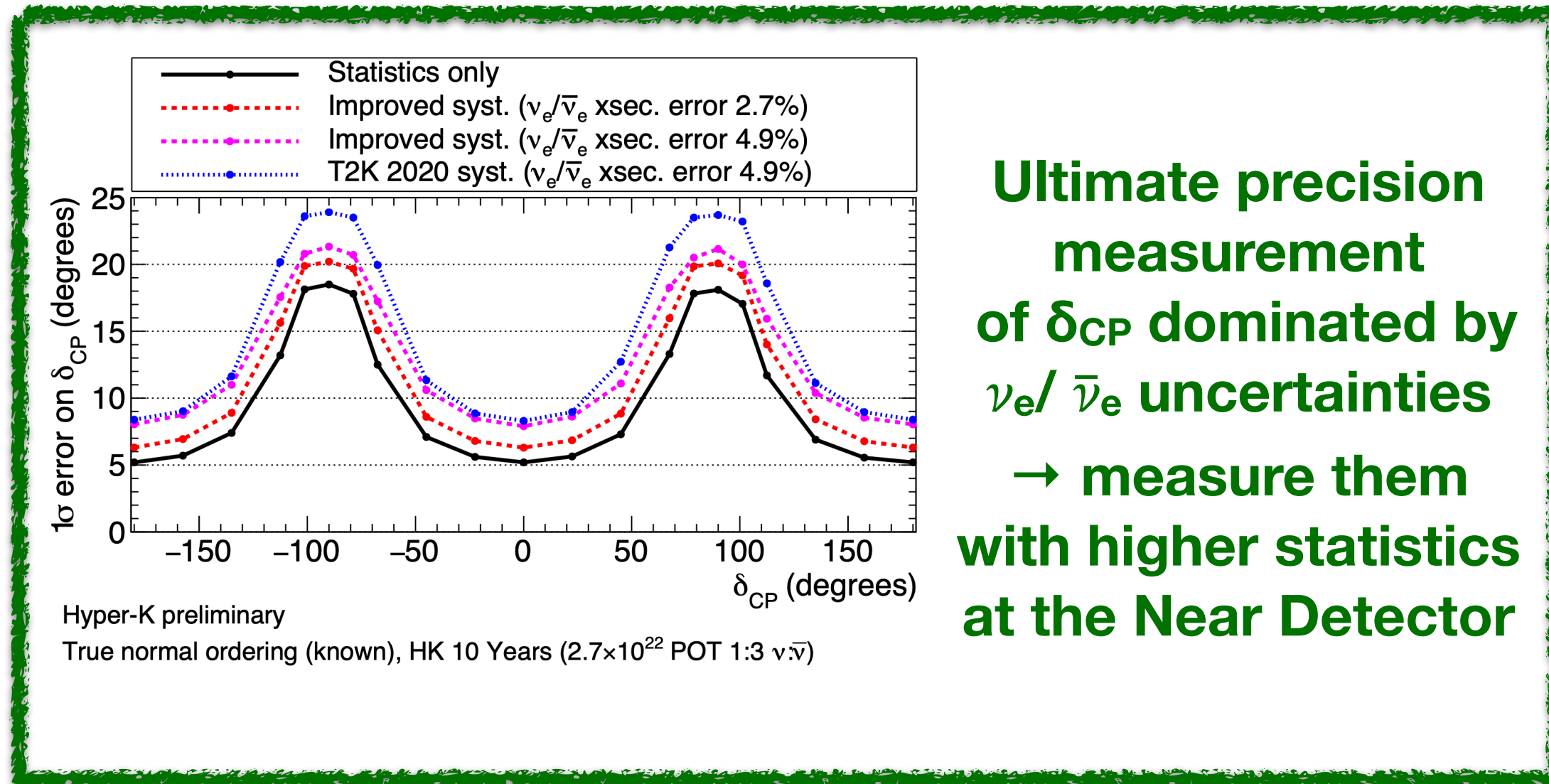
- Excavation on-going → expect to complete by the end of the year
- 20” PMTs being produced by Hamamatsu
- Assembly of the electronics modules on-going at CERN (next slide)
- Goal to start HK operation in 2027

LBL physics at HK

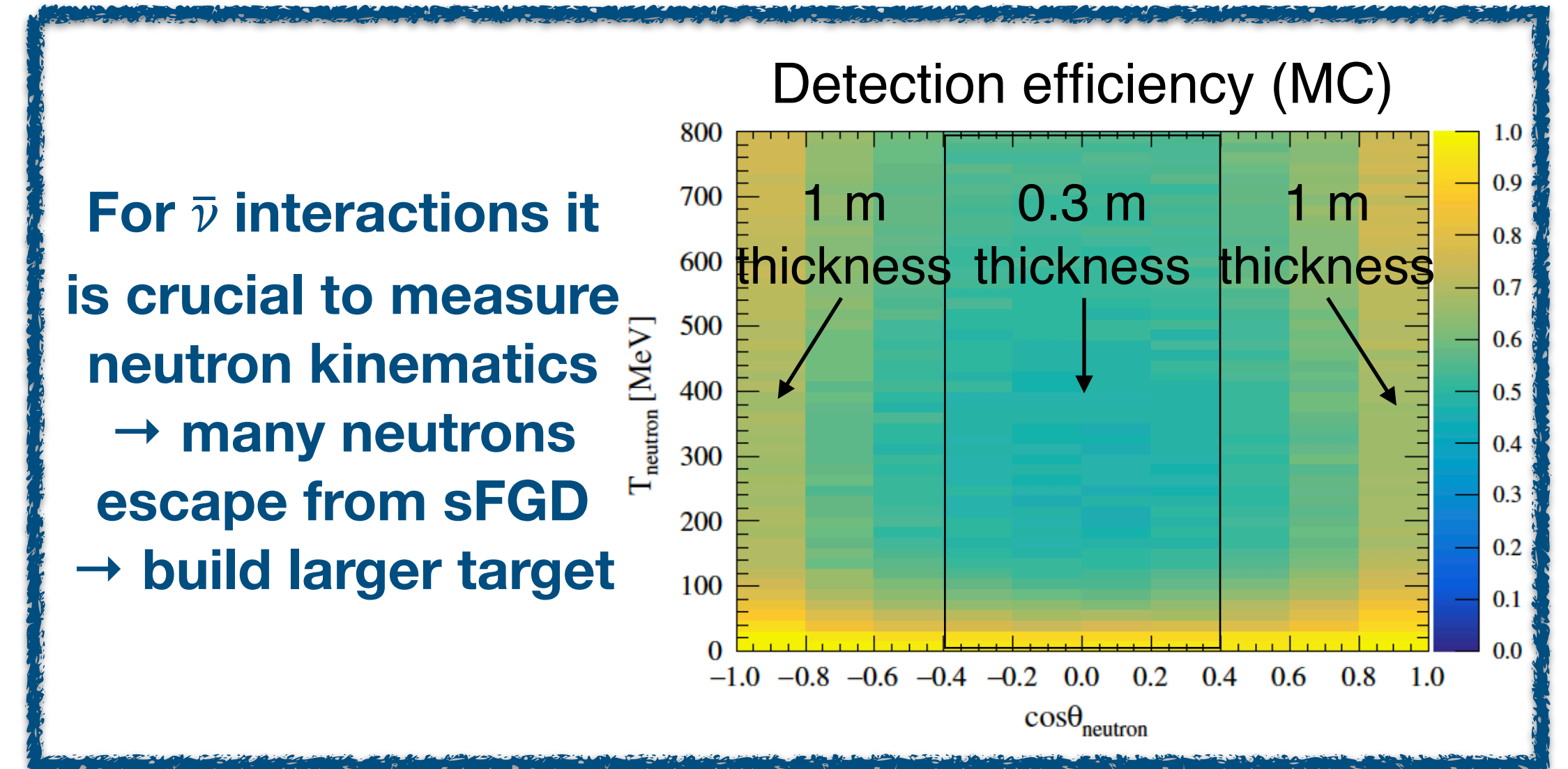
- $\sim 2000 \nu_e$ and $2000 \bar{\nu}_e$ interactions selected at HK after 10 years of data taking \rightarrow to be compared with $\sim 100 \nu_e$ and $\sim 20 \bar{\nu}_e$ in T2K
- Also $\sim 20000 \nu_\mu$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ interactions will be selected
- Plan to re-use ND280 to constraint flux and x-sec systematics
 - Intermediate Water Cherenkov detector will be built for HK \rightarrow only sensitive to lepton kinematics + off-axis spanning
 - Do we need more from ND280? \rightarrow ND280++



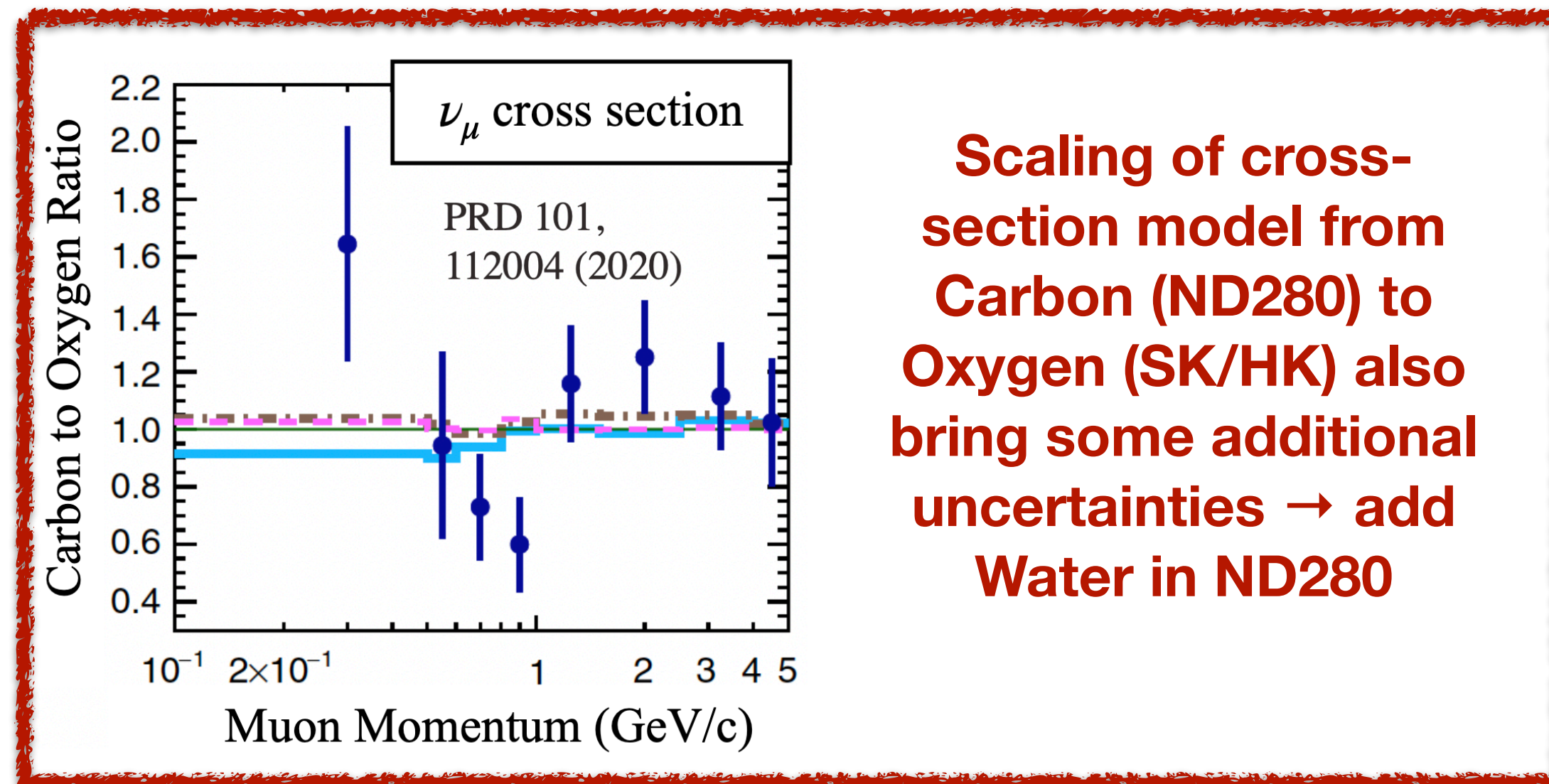
ND280 challenges for HK



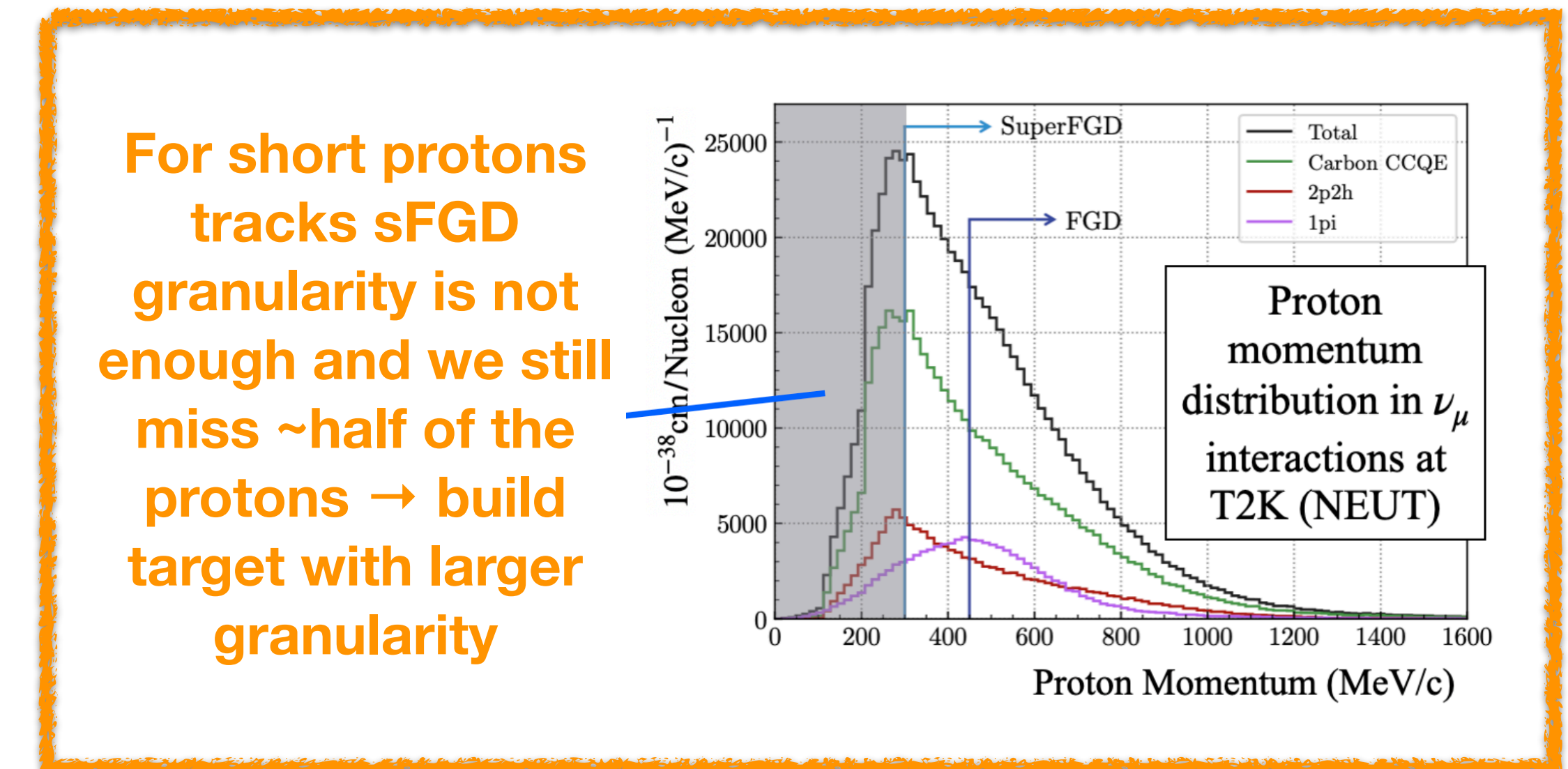
Ultimate precision measurement of δ_{CP} dominated by $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ uncertainties
 → measure them with higher statistics at the Near Detector



For $\bar{\nu}$ interactions it is crucial to measure neutron kinematics
 → many neutrons escape from sFGD
 → build larger target



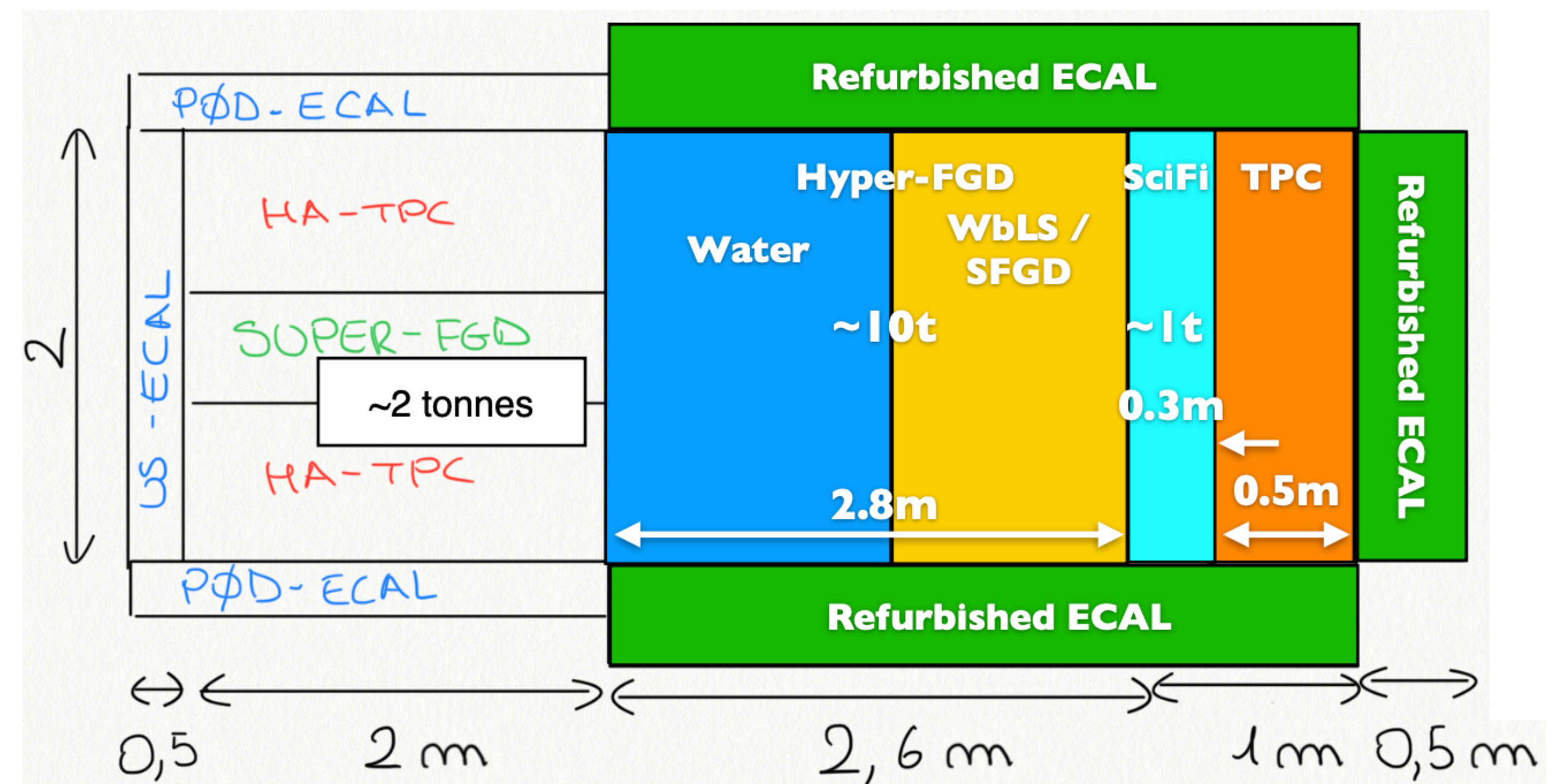
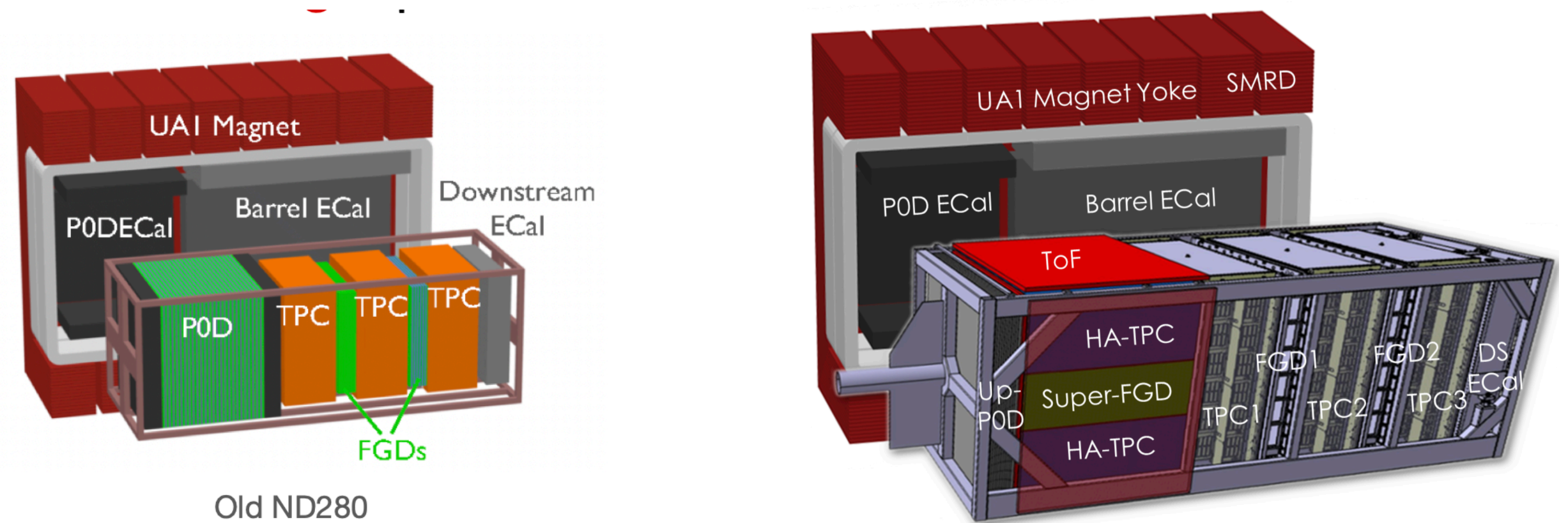
Scaling of cross-section model from Carbon (ND280) to Oxygen (SK/HK) also bring some additional uncertainties → add Water in ND280



For short protons tracks sFGD granularity is not enough and we still miss ~half of the protons → build target with larger granularity

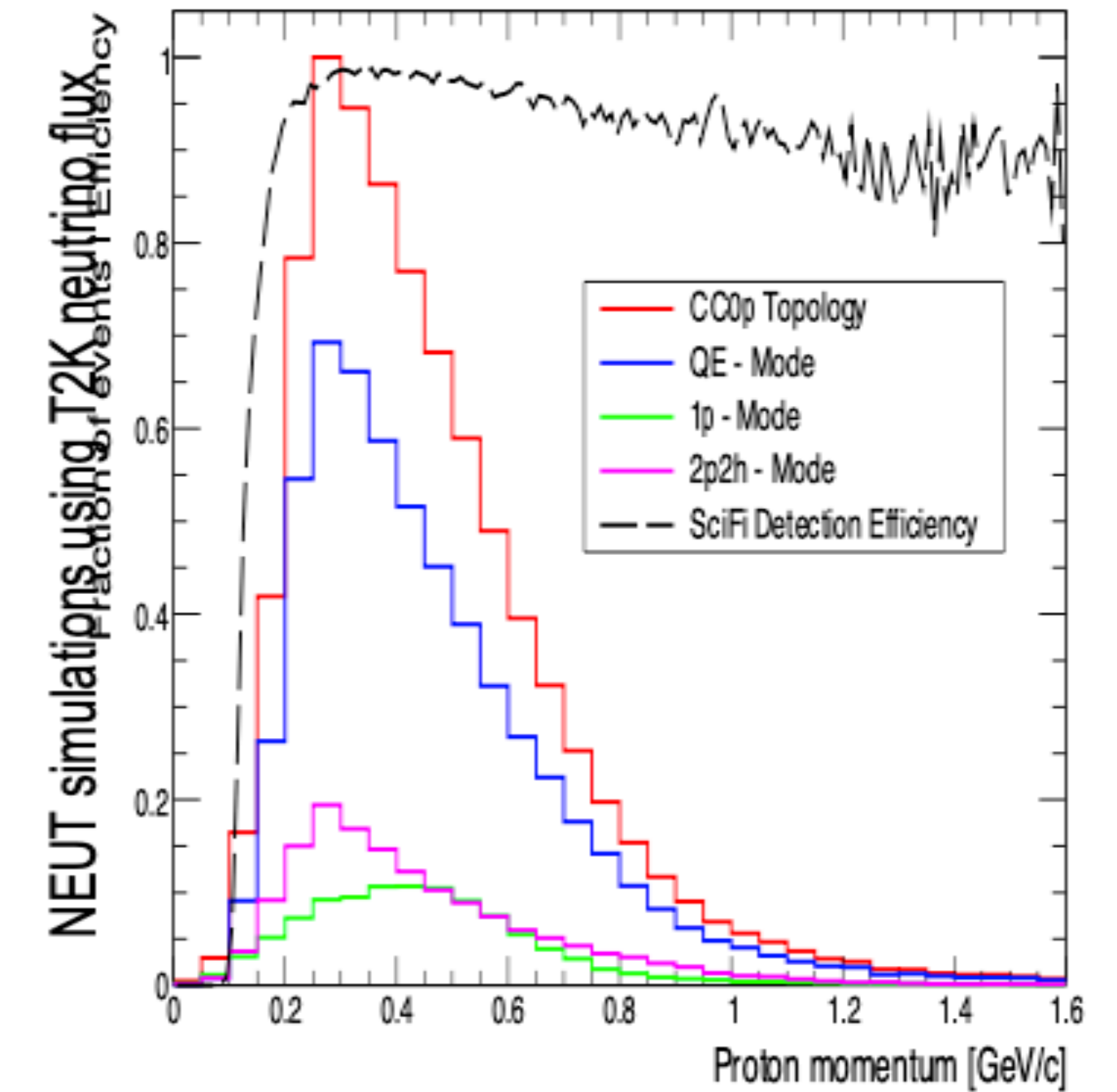
ND280++

- Still profit of ND280 magnetised detector to distinguish ν from $\bar{\nu}$
- Modular detector \rightarrow can be upgraded in steps
- Recently upgraded with a new 2t high granularity target (Super-FGD)
- A second upgrade will be done during HK to replace the tracker region \rightarrow \sim 10 ton available for new ideas!
- Active R&D is on-going



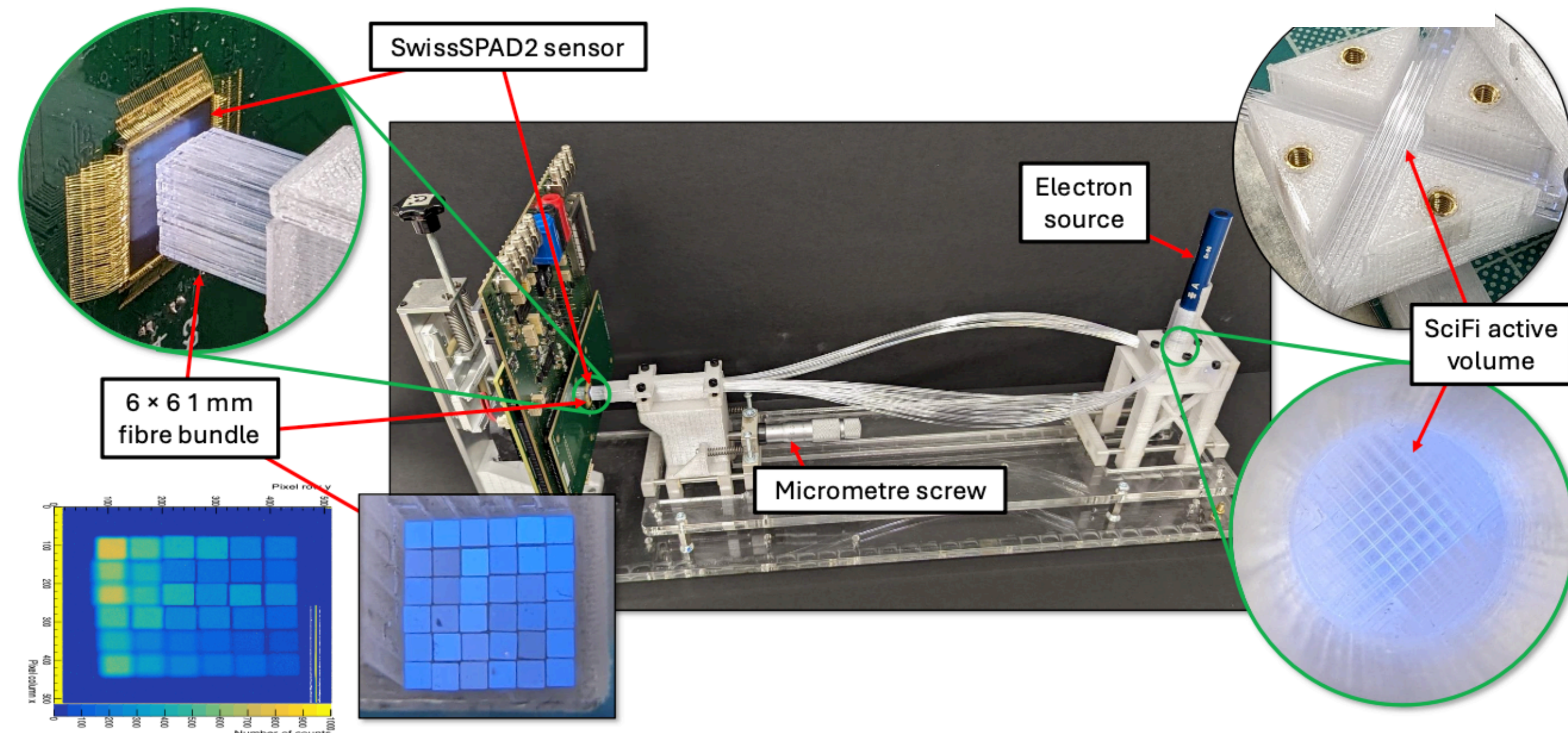
Scintillating-Fibers

- Scintillating-Fibers detector would allow to reduce proton reconstruction threshold to ~ 100 MeV/c \rightarrow sensitive to all protons emitted in ν interactions!



- Two main challenges:

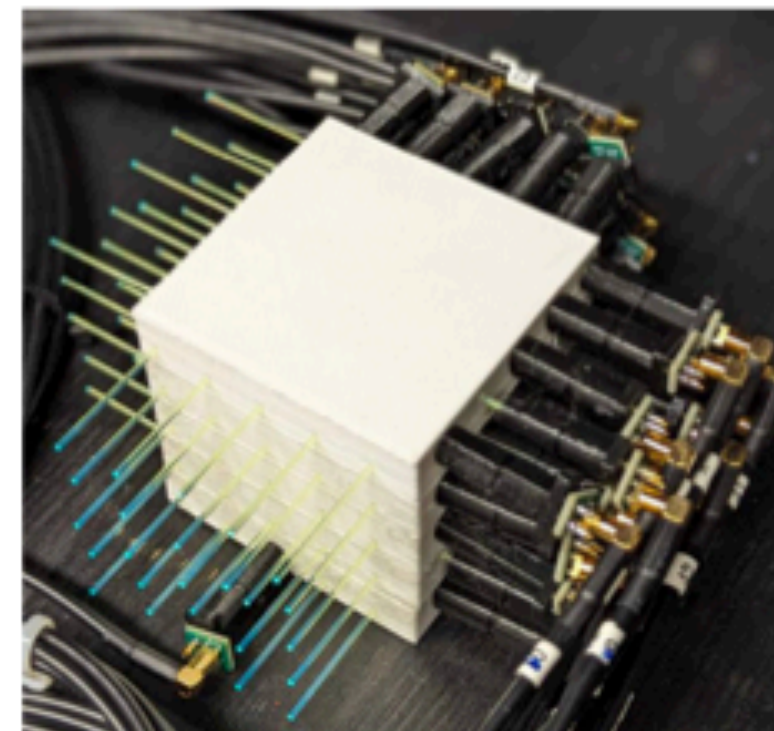
- Assemble >100 kg of 0.2 mm diameter fibers
- State-of-the-art SciFi detectors are read out with SiPM \rightarrow huge number of channels!



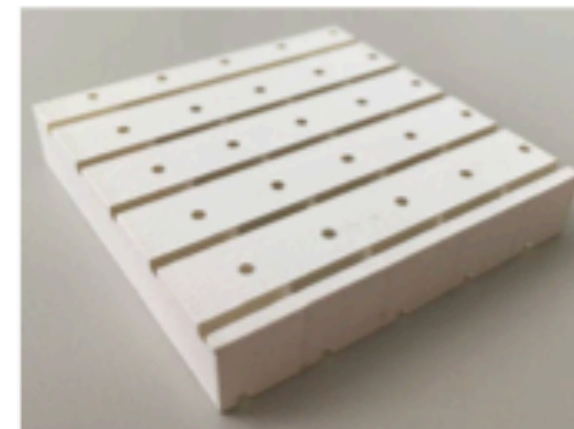
3D printed Super-FGD-like detector



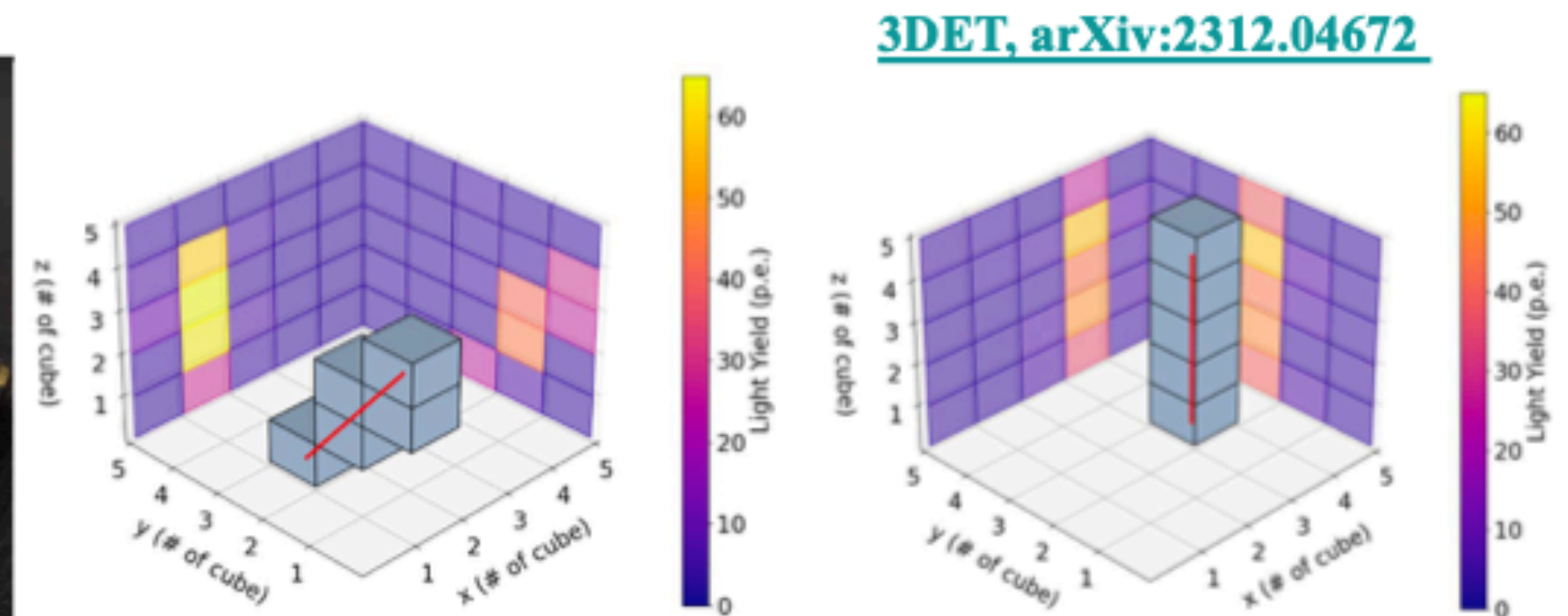
- Active R&D for 3D printed cubes → successfully produced 5x5 cube



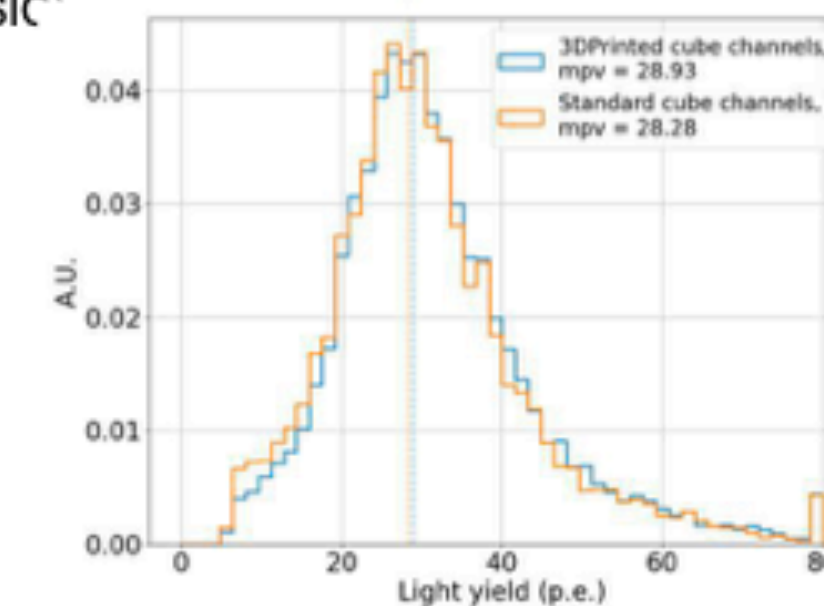
- WLS fibers readout by SiPM on one side
 - Hamamatsu S13360-1325CS with PDE ~ 25%
- CAEN FEB 5702 (FERS, CITIROC ASIC)



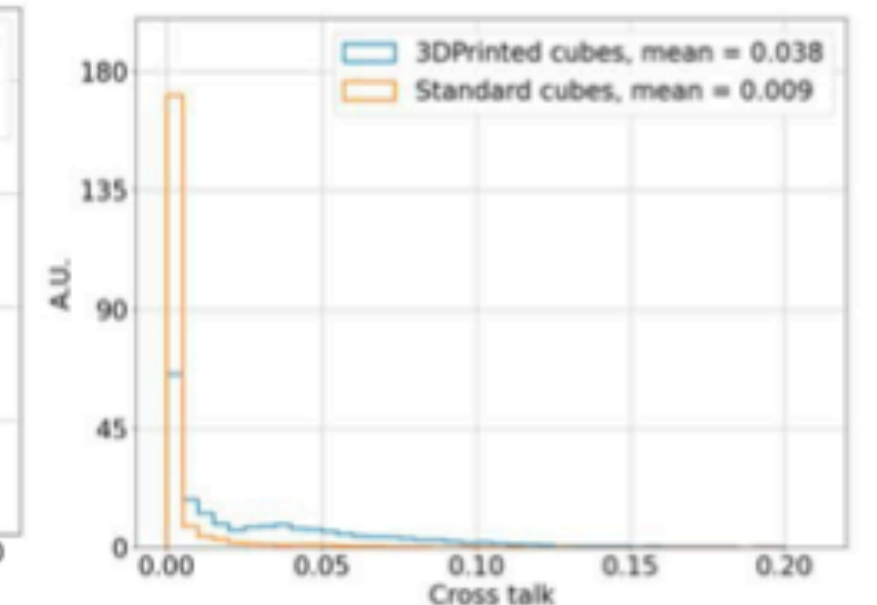
Compared with standard scintillator cubes layer
[JINST 16 \(2021\) 12, P12010](#)



First ever 3D printed scintillator-based particle detector capable of tracking and calorimetry

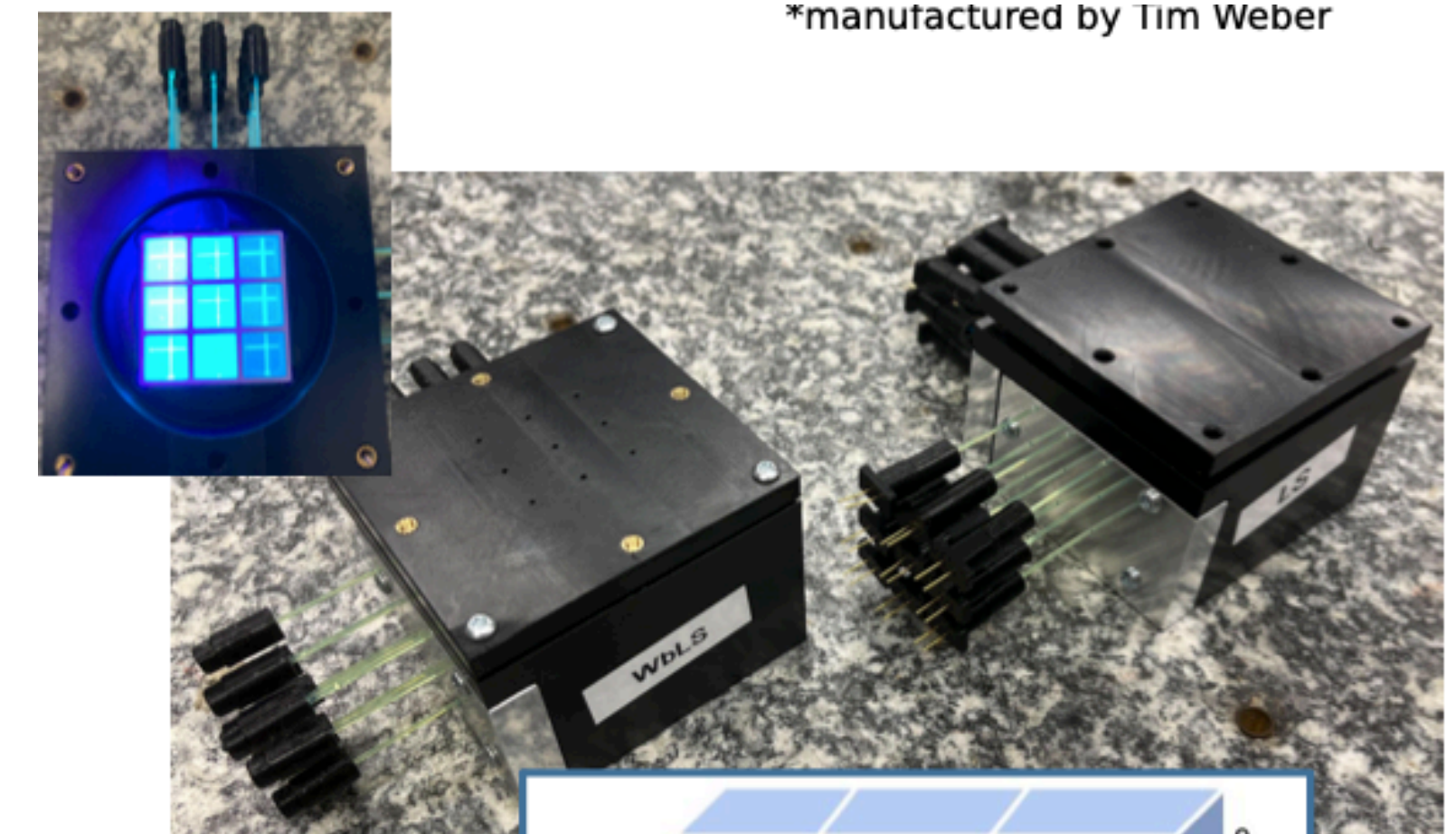
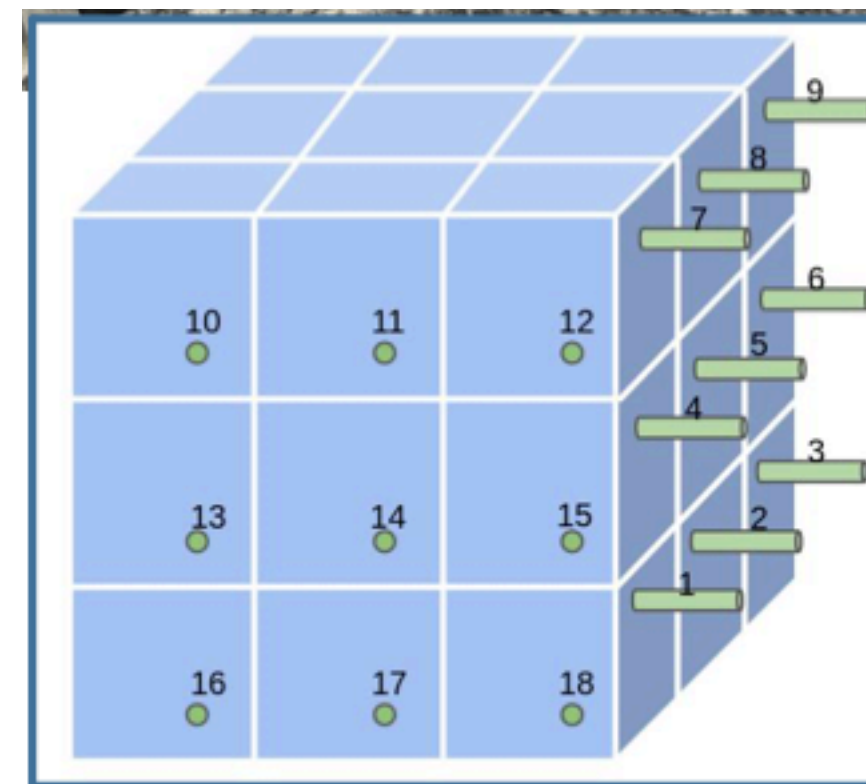
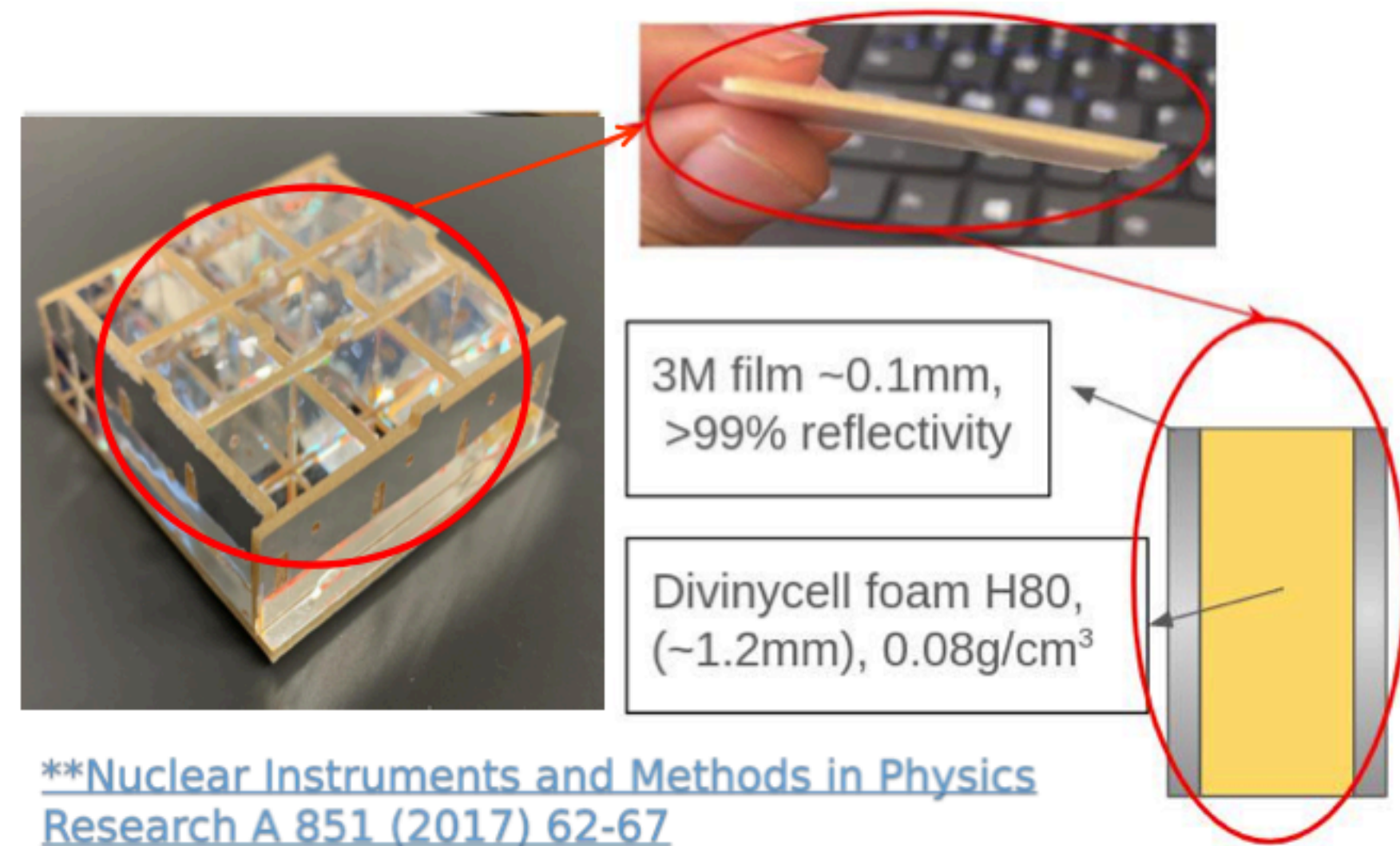


Single channel: ~ 28 pe/cm MIP

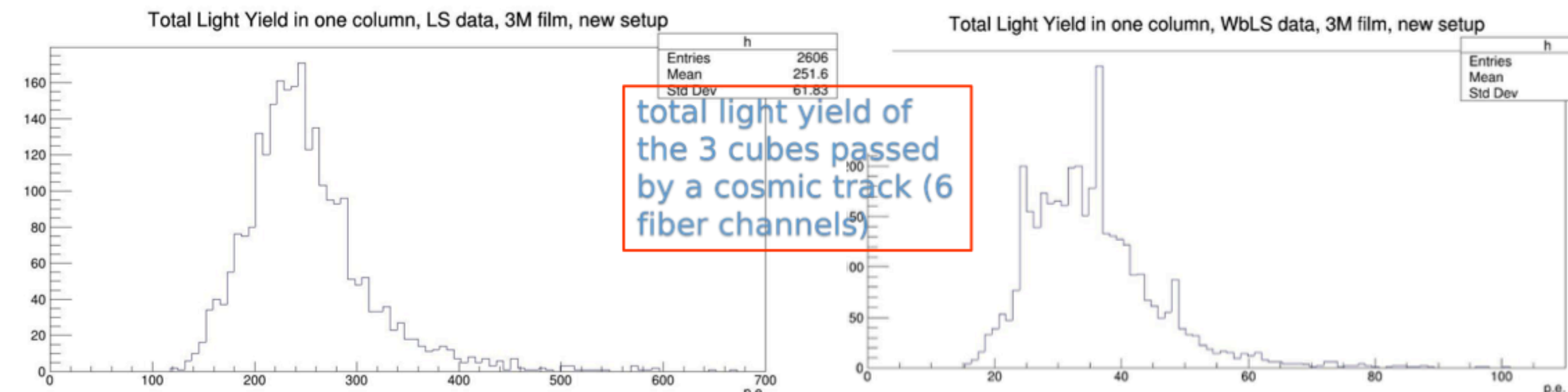


Crosstalk ~ 4%

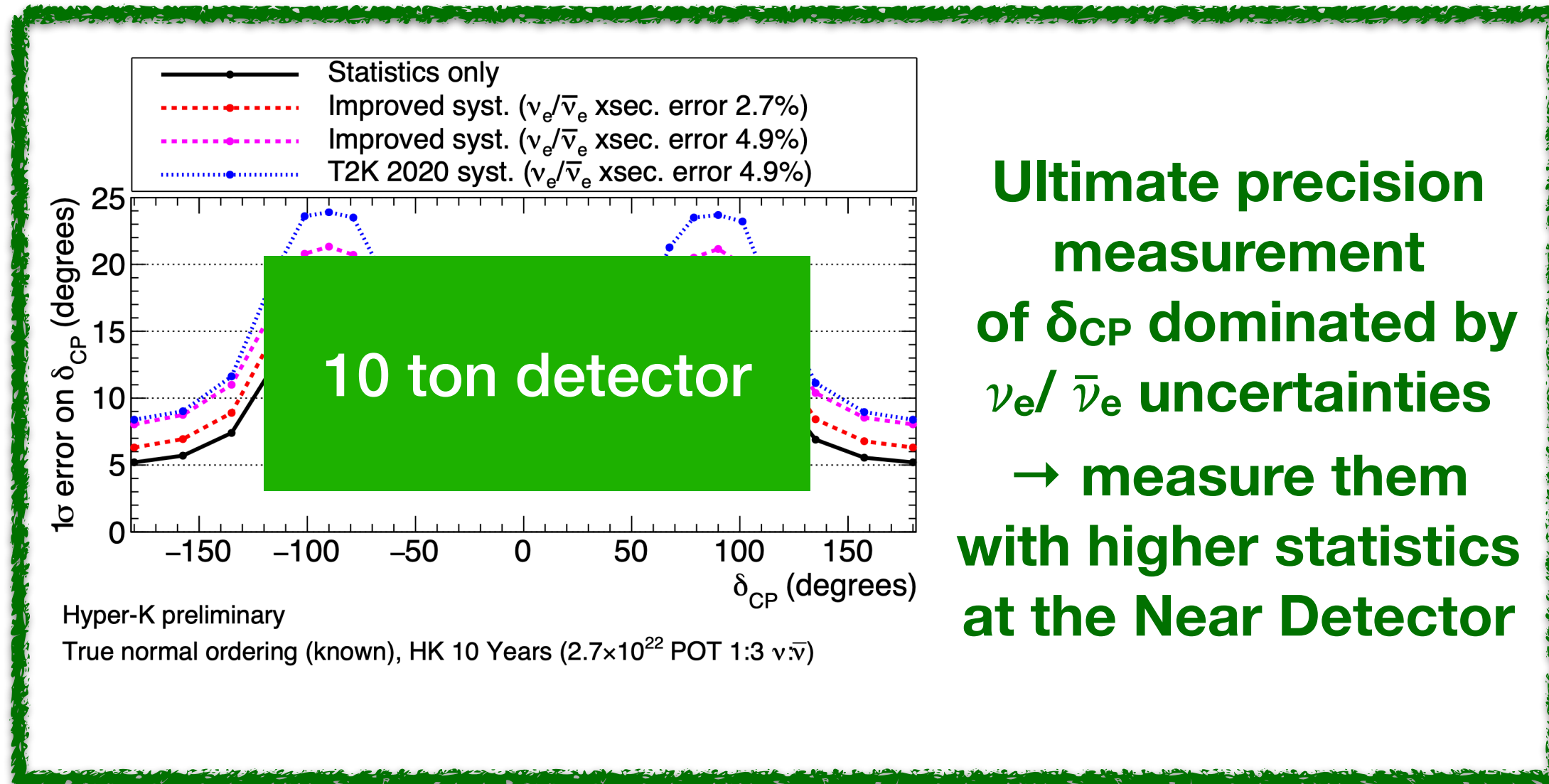
Water-Based Liquid Scintillator



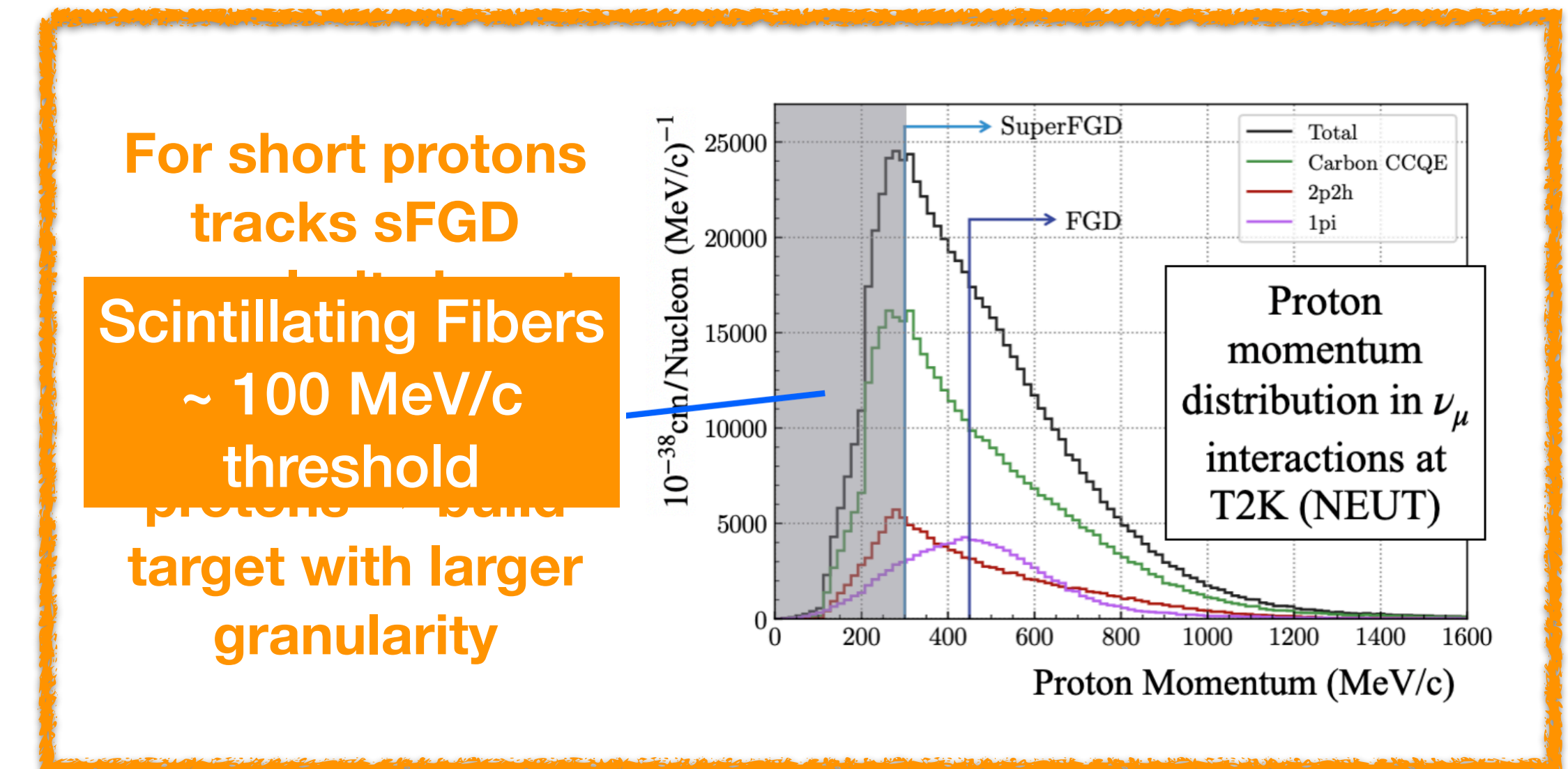
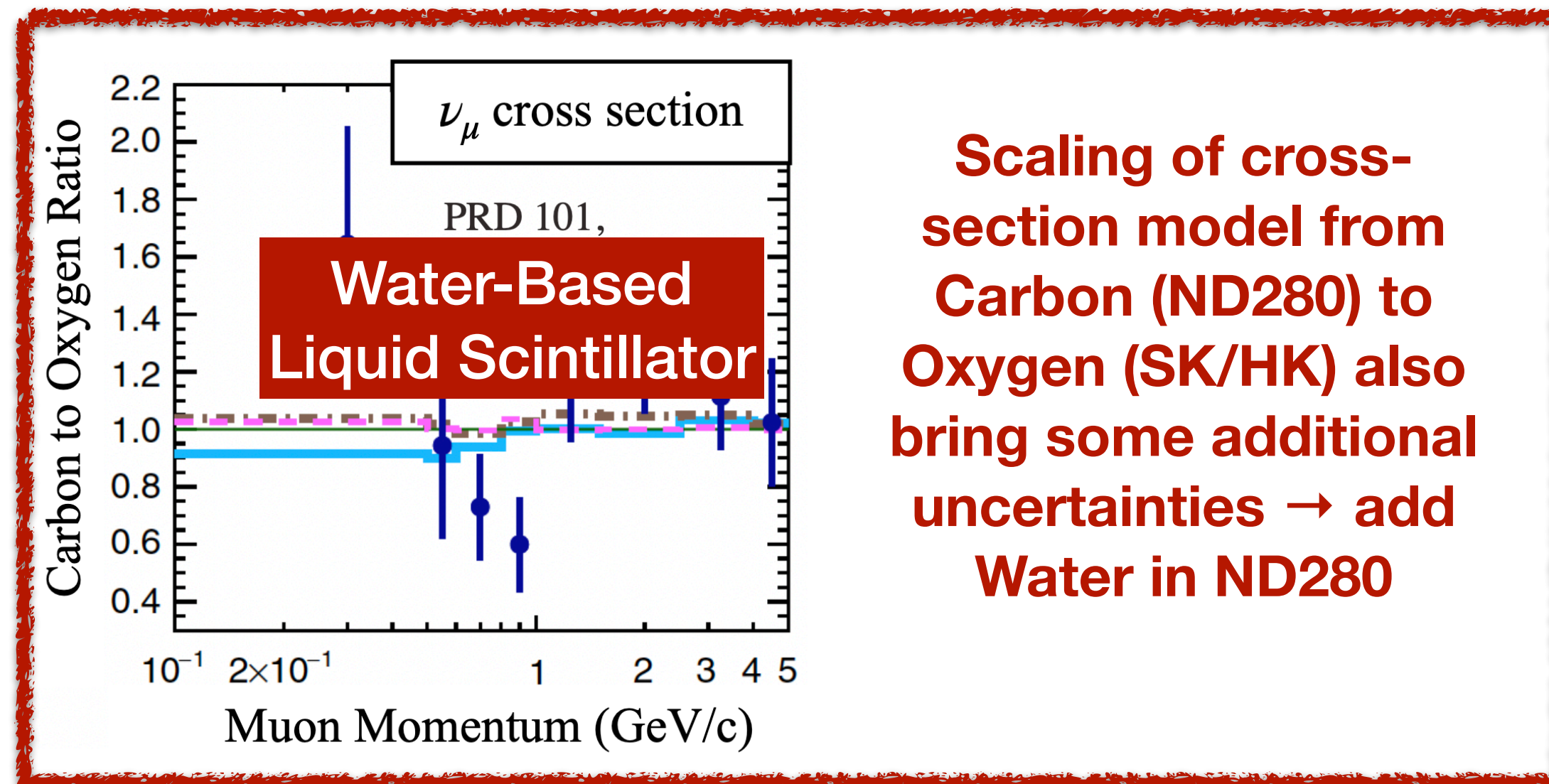
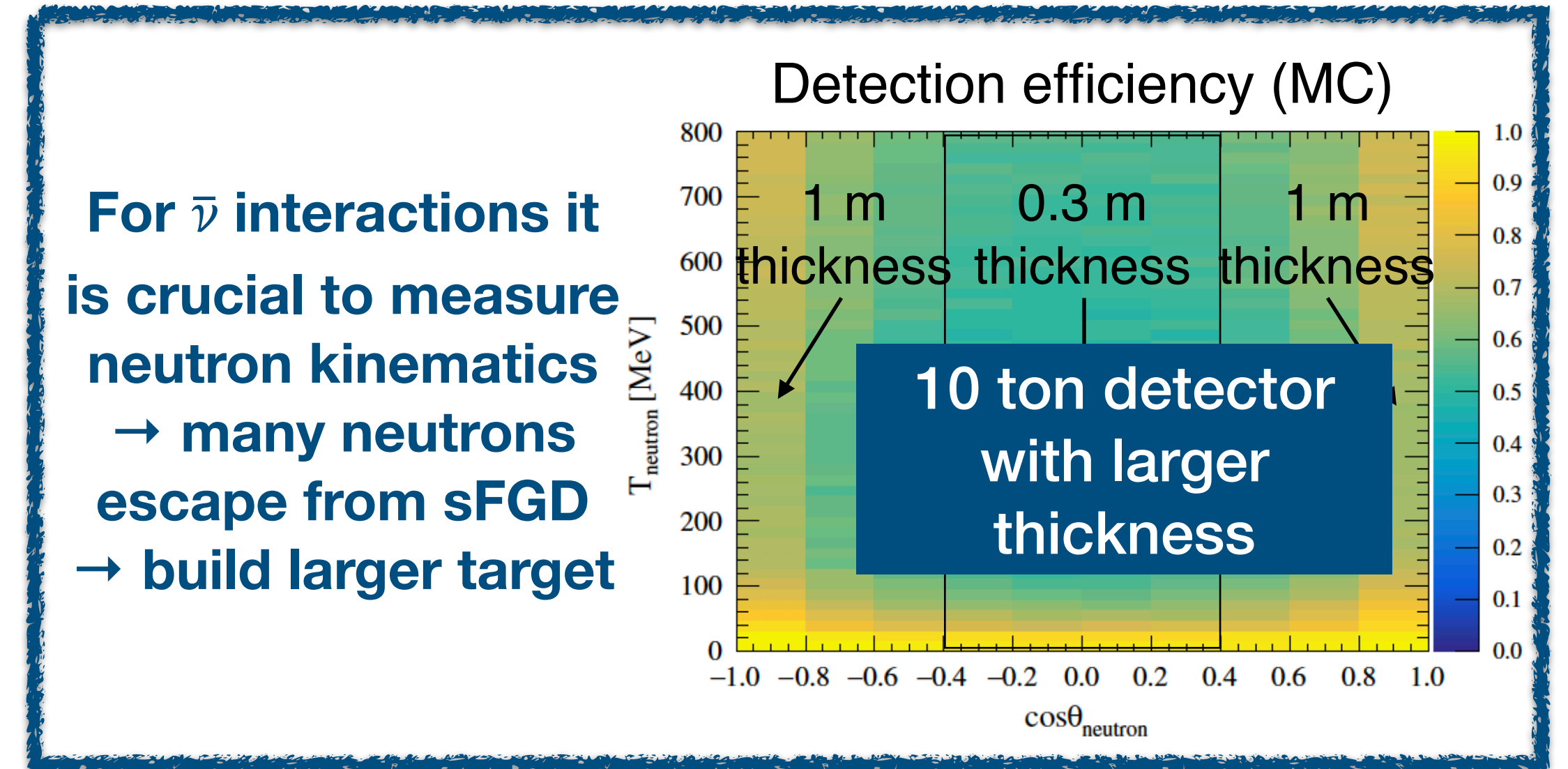
- Similar design as the sFGD with high granularity and cubes-like structure
- Filled with Water-Based LS to measure neutrino interactions on water
- Goal is to keep Water/Carbon ration > 0.9
- PRCI LPNHE/ETHZ funded in 2025 to pursue this R&D on WbLS



ND280 challenges for HK



Ultimate precision measurement of δ_{CP} dominated by $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ uncertainties
 → measure them with higher statistics at the Near Detector



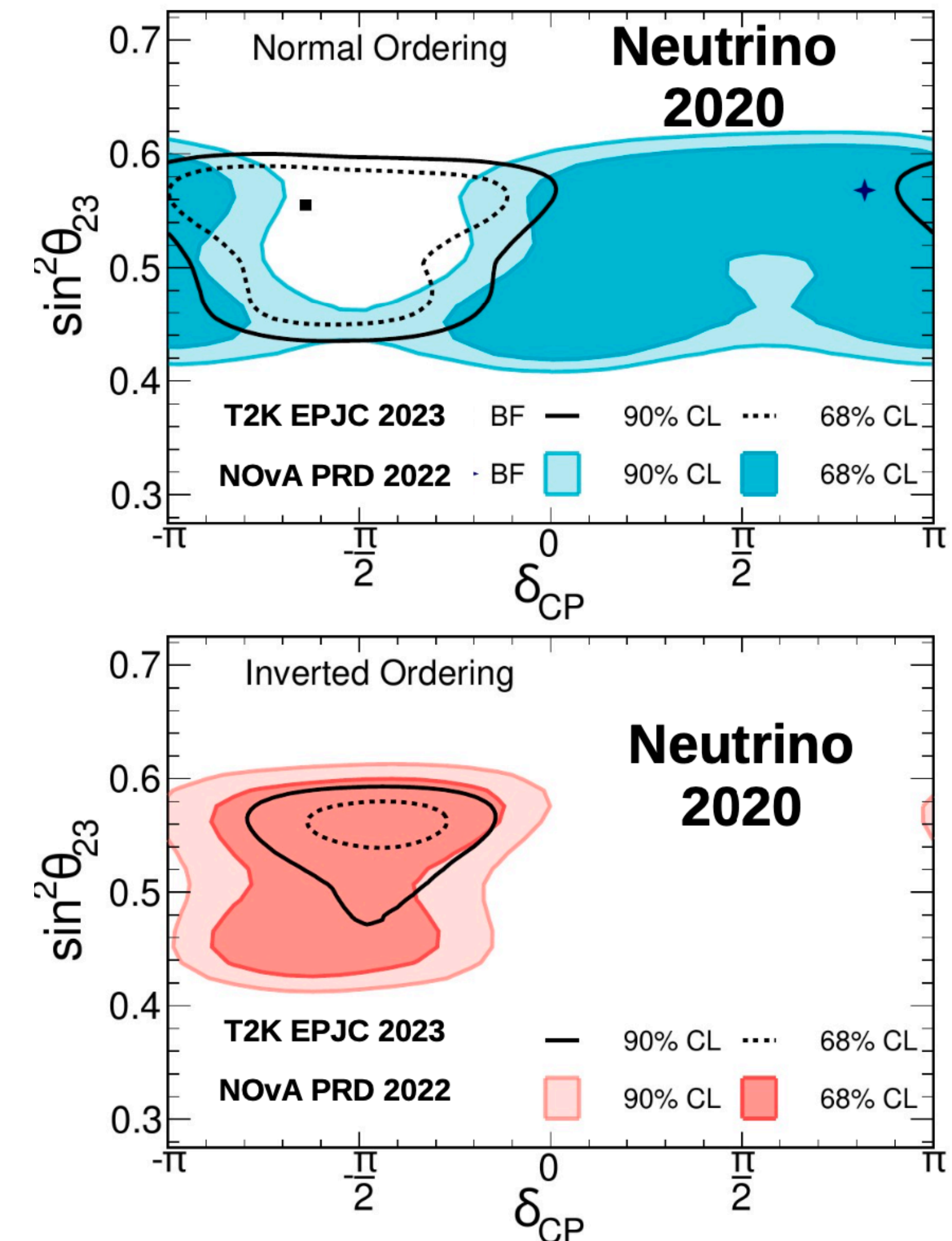
Conclusions

- Neutrino physics is an extremely active field of research
- The Japanese programme will lead this quest for the next ~15 years → T2K → Hyper-K
- Hyper-K construction is proceeding on-schedule and first data are expected in December 2027
 - IN2P3 contributions to the Far Detector have been defined
- To pursue this programme measurements with a powerful Near Detector are critical
 - T2K recently upgraded its near detector ND280 → first data have been collected
 - R&D for further upgrades to be done for Hyper-K are starting → goal is to start taking data with ND280++ in 2032

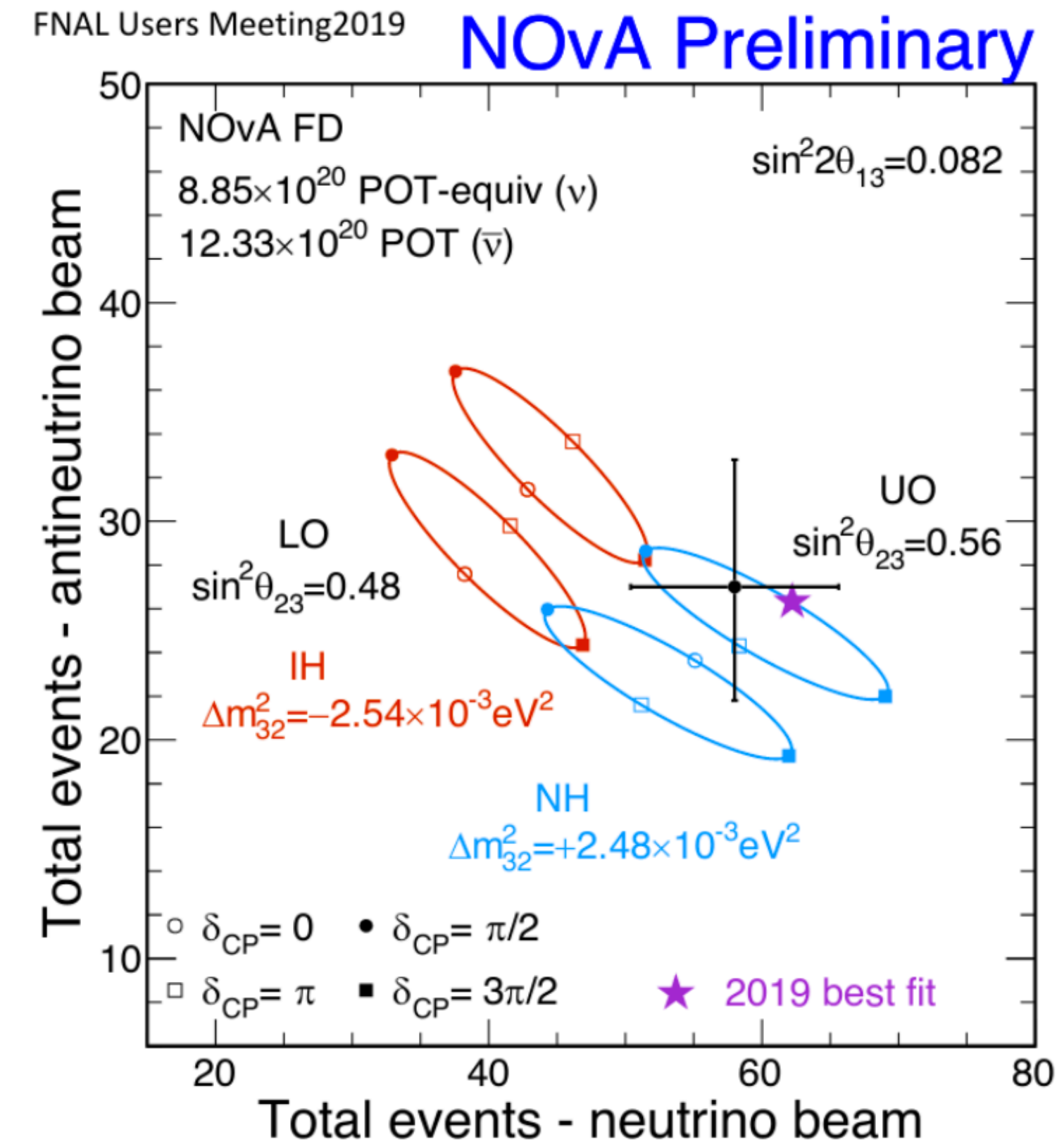
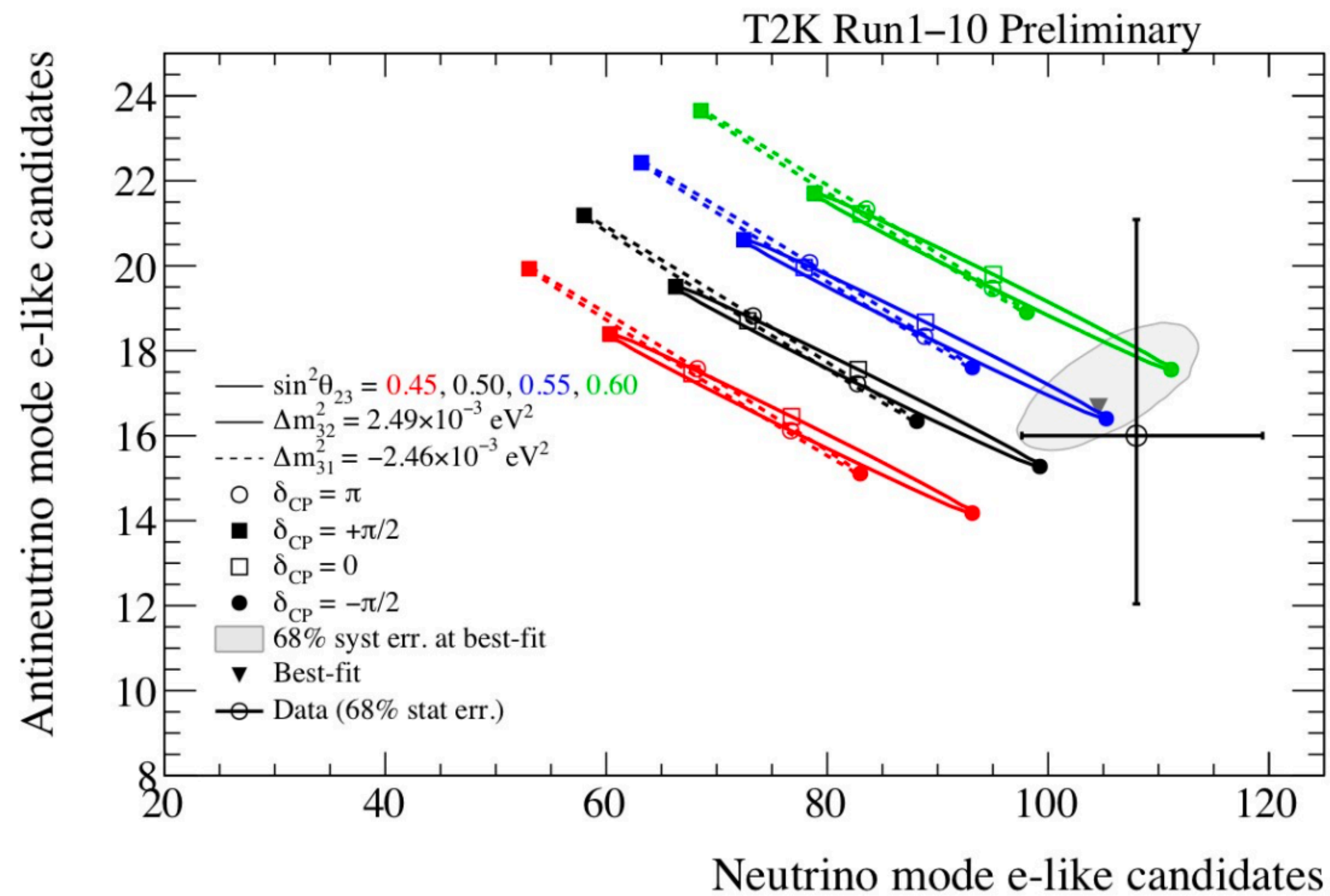
Back-up

T2K/NOvA joint analysis

- Profit of different baselines to lift degeneracies of each experiment
- Full implementation of the likelihood of each experiment and consistent statistical treatment
- Review of models, systematic uncertainties, possible correlations and of the different analysis approaches

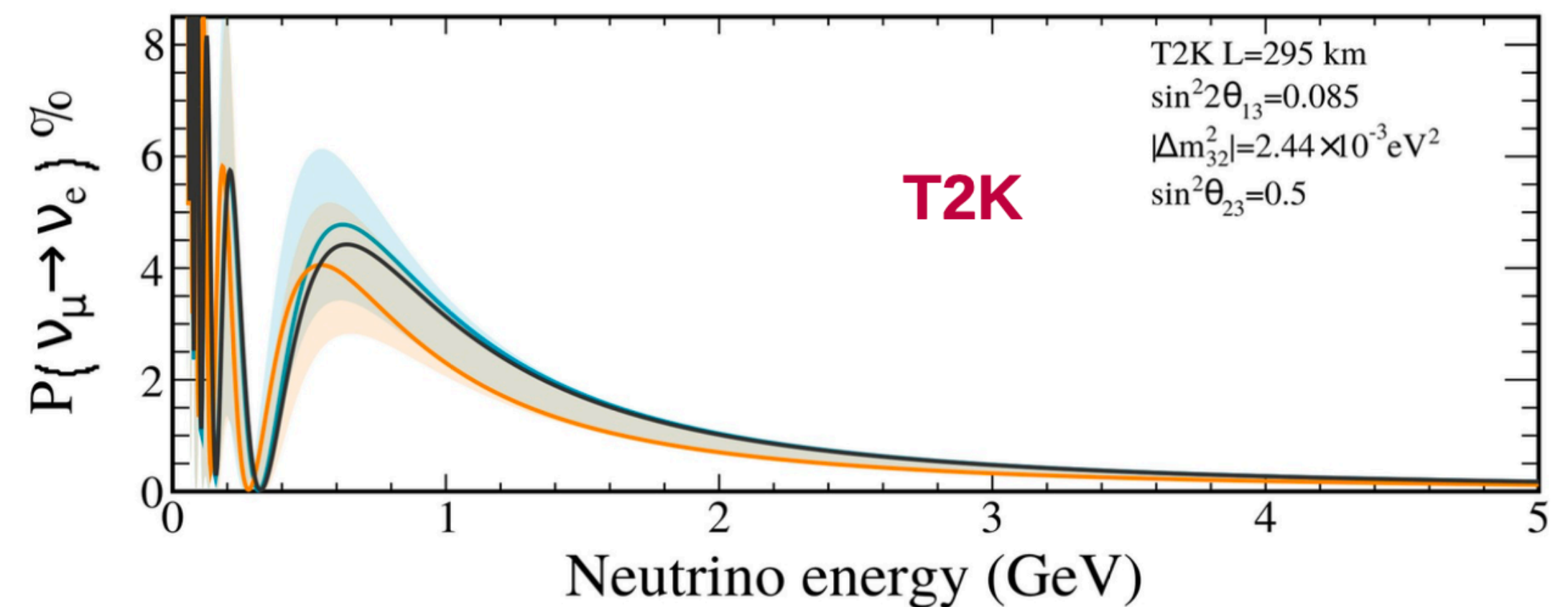
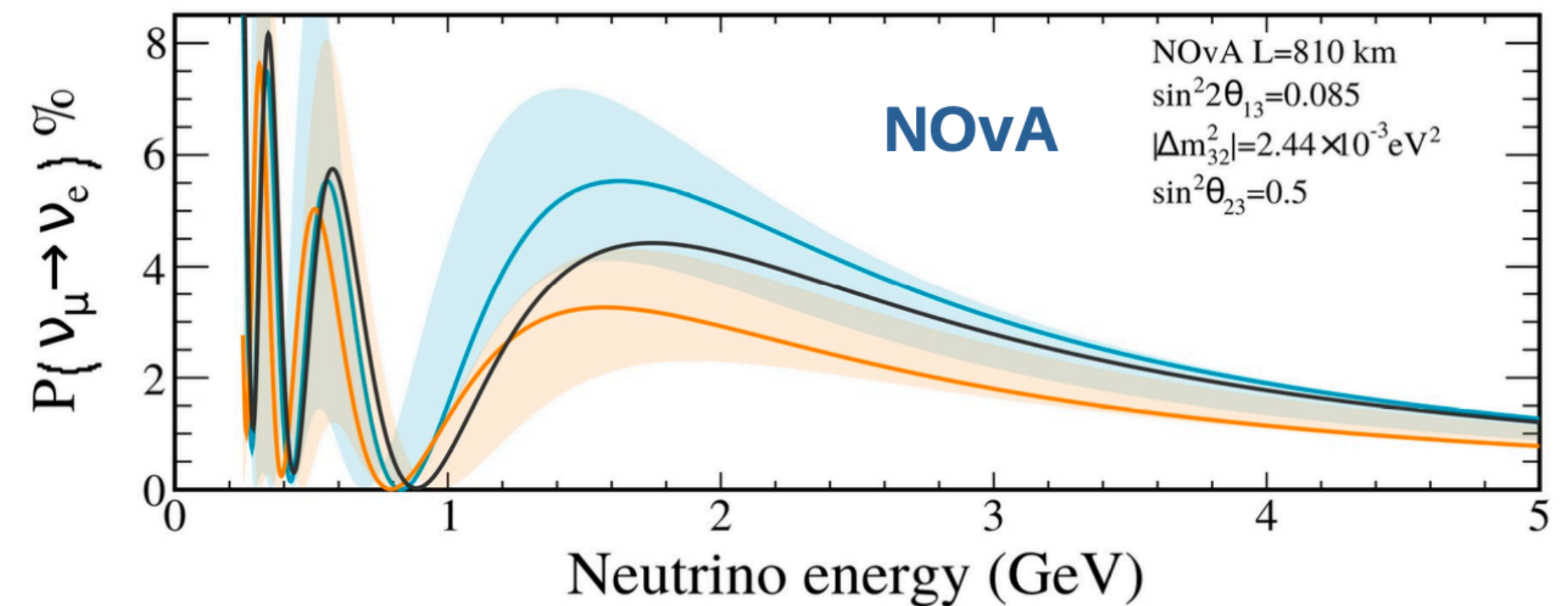


What about δ_{CP} ?



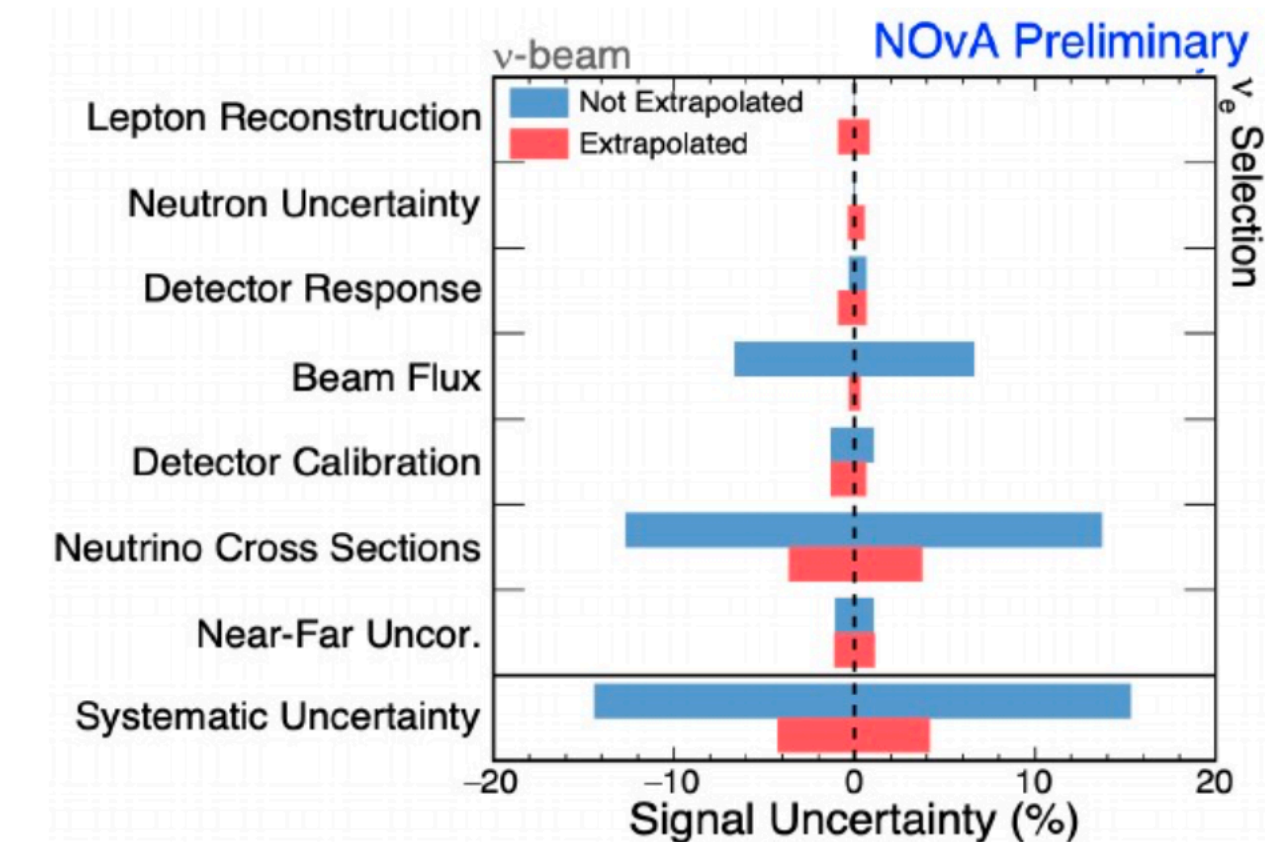
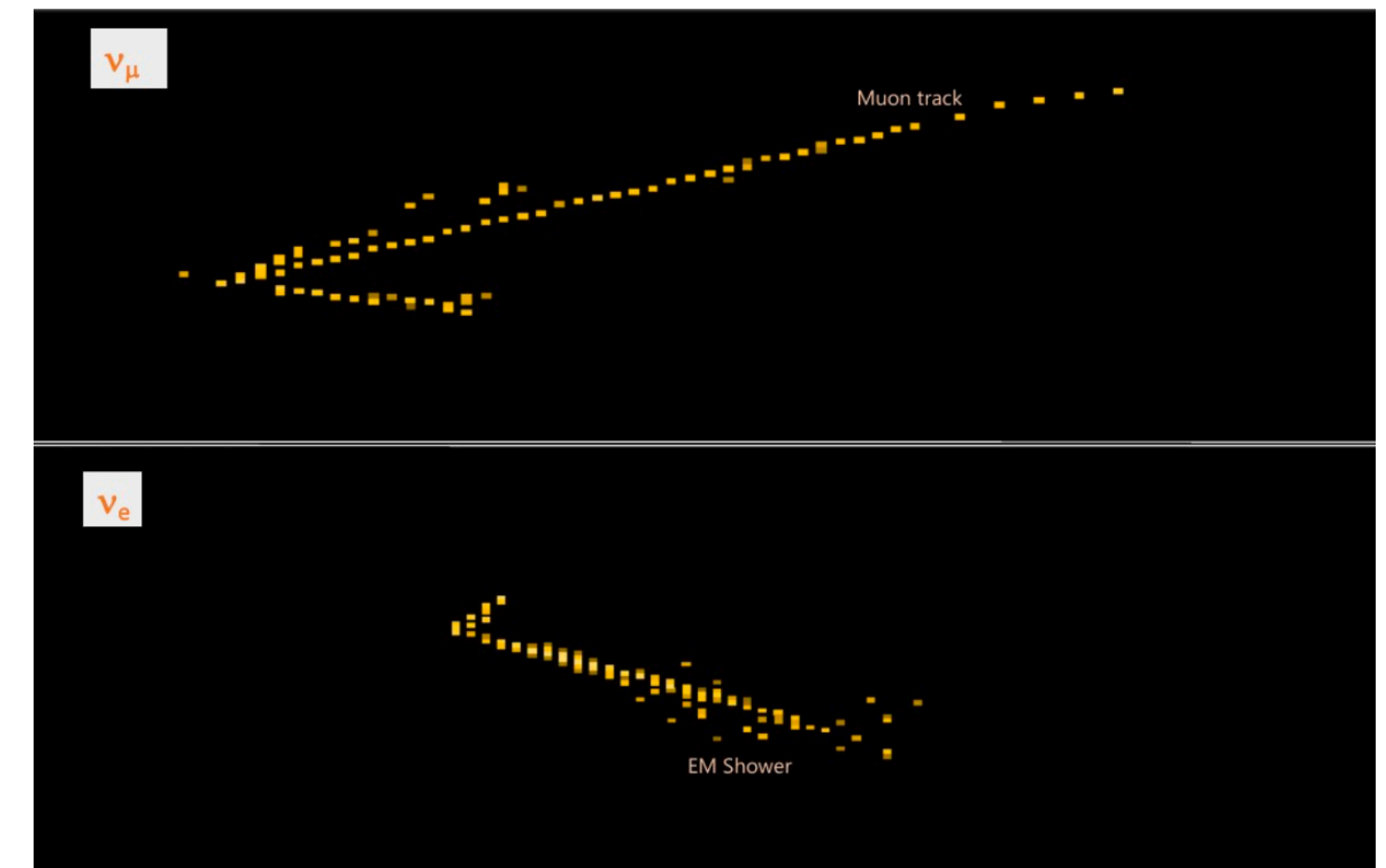
Baseline difference

- The joint analysis allows to exploit the possibility of breaking degeneracies thanks to the different baselines
- Matter effect proportional to baseline and neutrino energy
- NOvA has a longer baseline than T2K \rightarrow larger matter effects
- In T2K larger impact of δ_{CP}

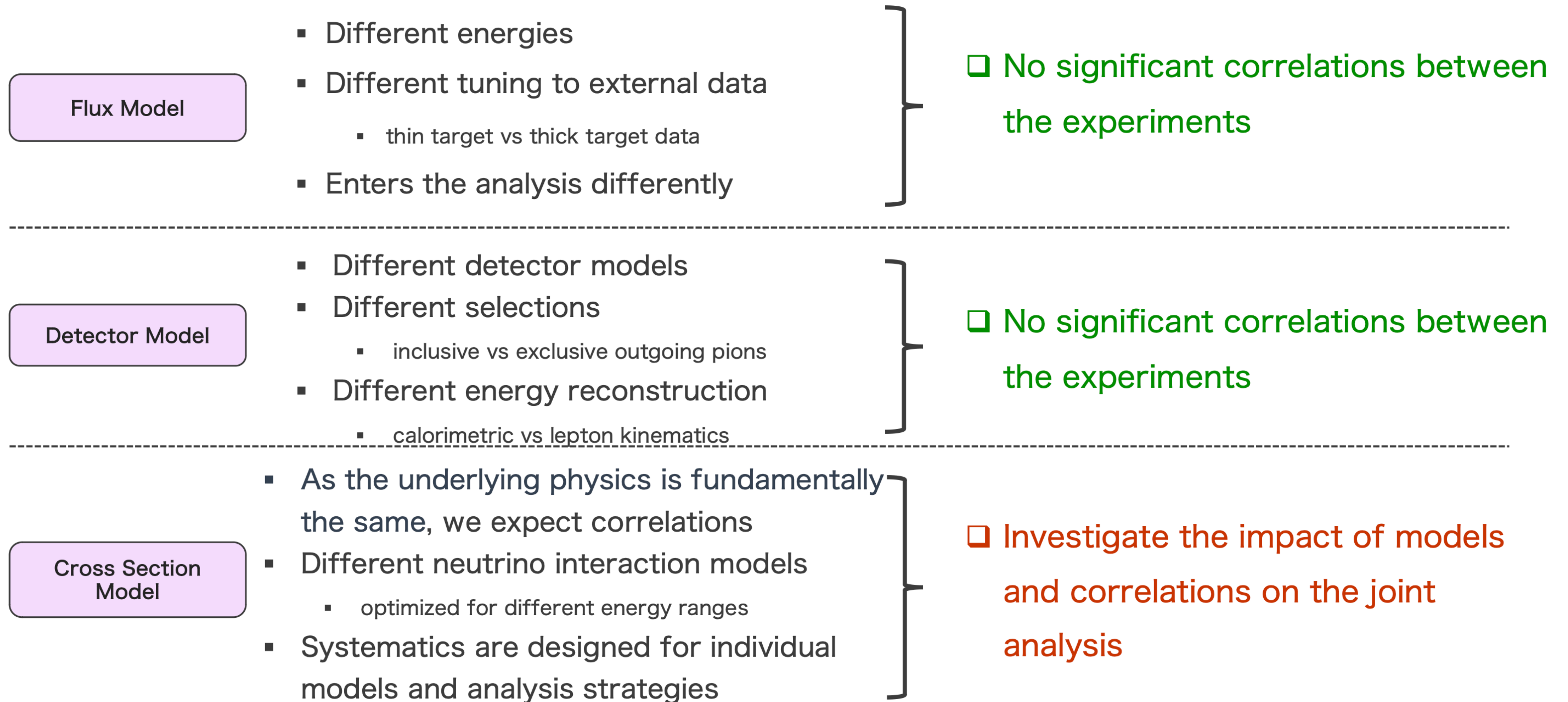


NOvA strategy

- Functionally identical Near and Far detectors → both segmented liquid scintillator detectors
 - Significant cancellations in the uncertainties
 - Model and systematics parameters enter as uncertainties on the far/near ratio
- PID done thanks to calorimetric energy estimation
- Neutrino energy reconstructed from a combination of leptonic and hadronic component

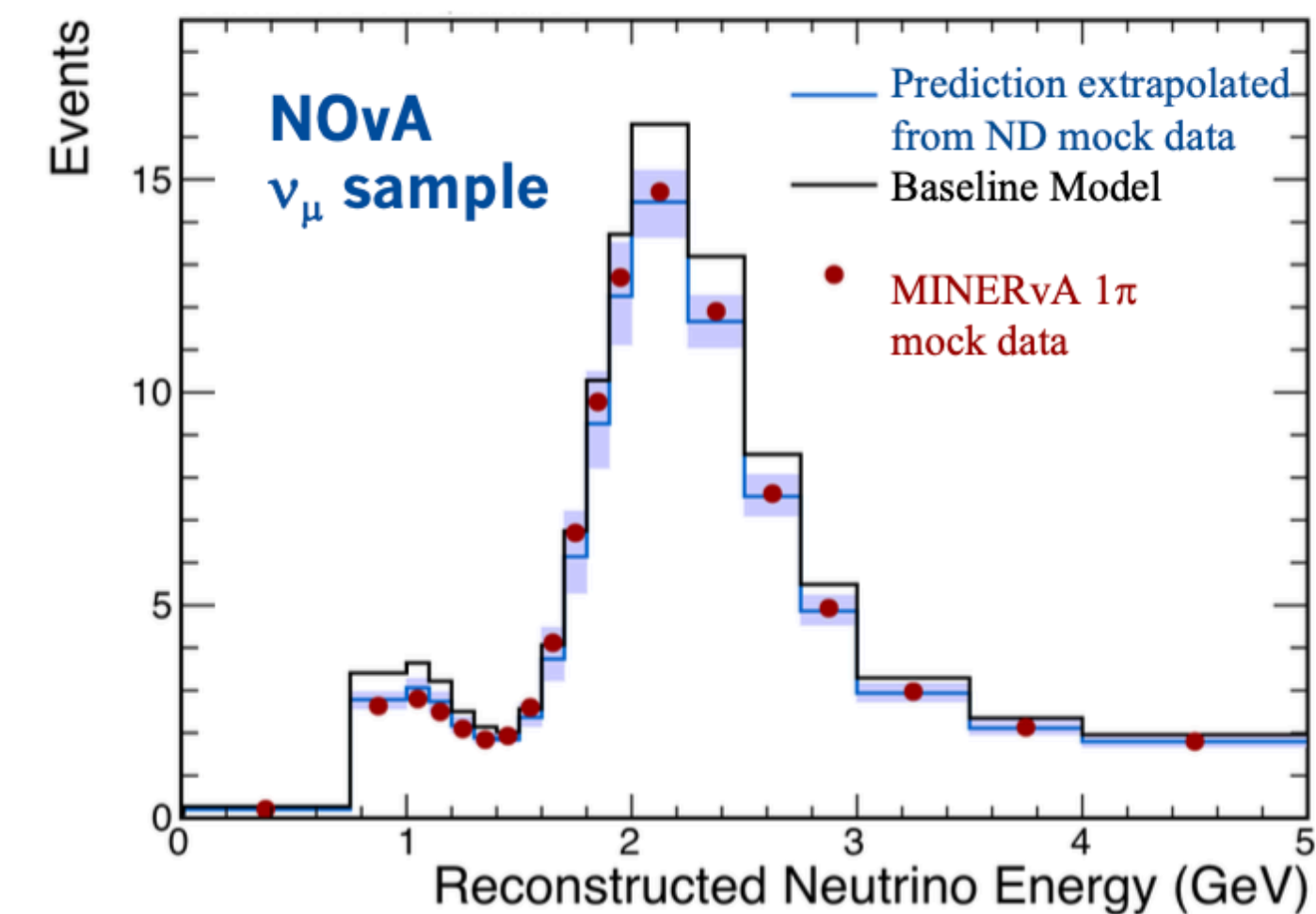
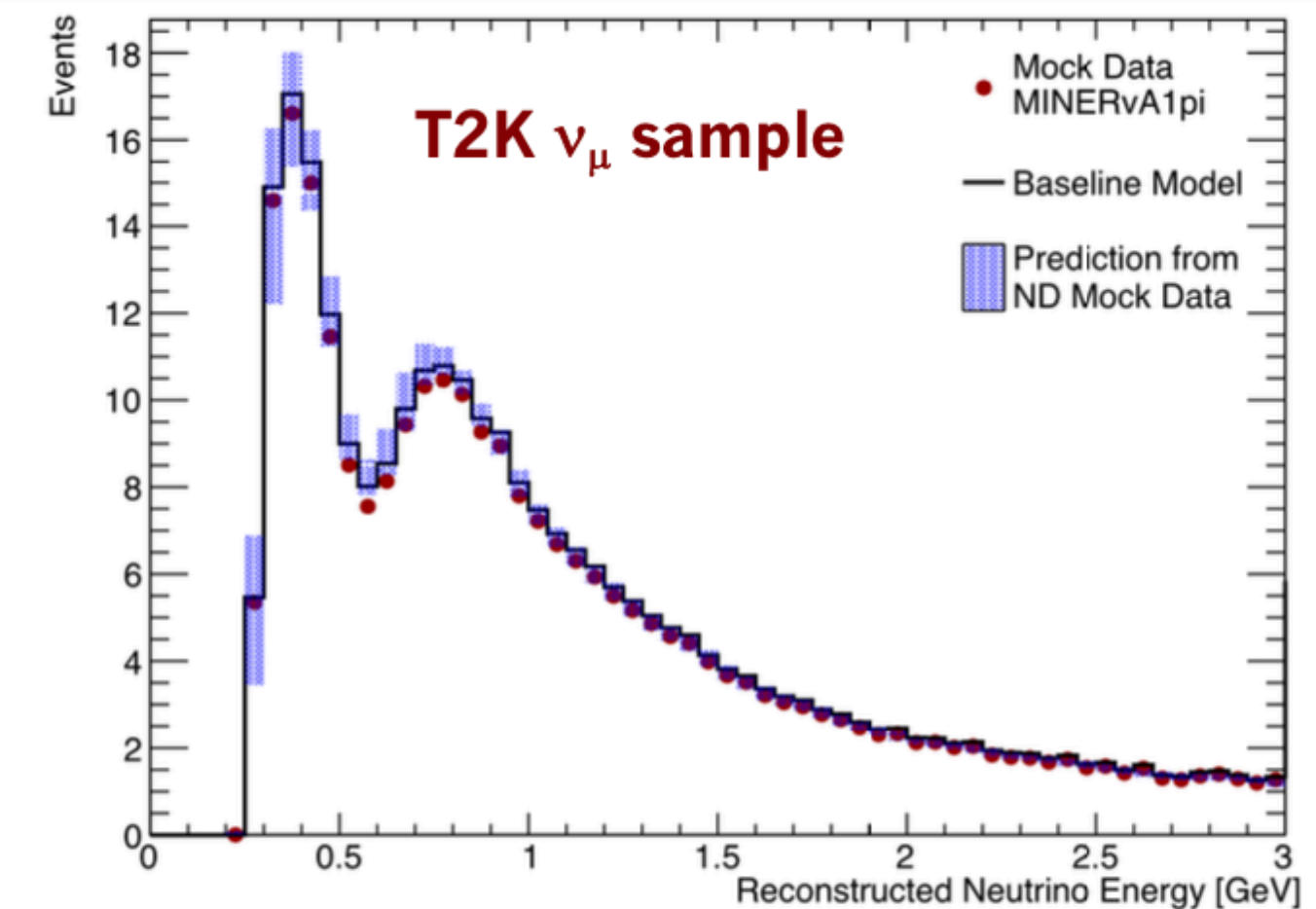


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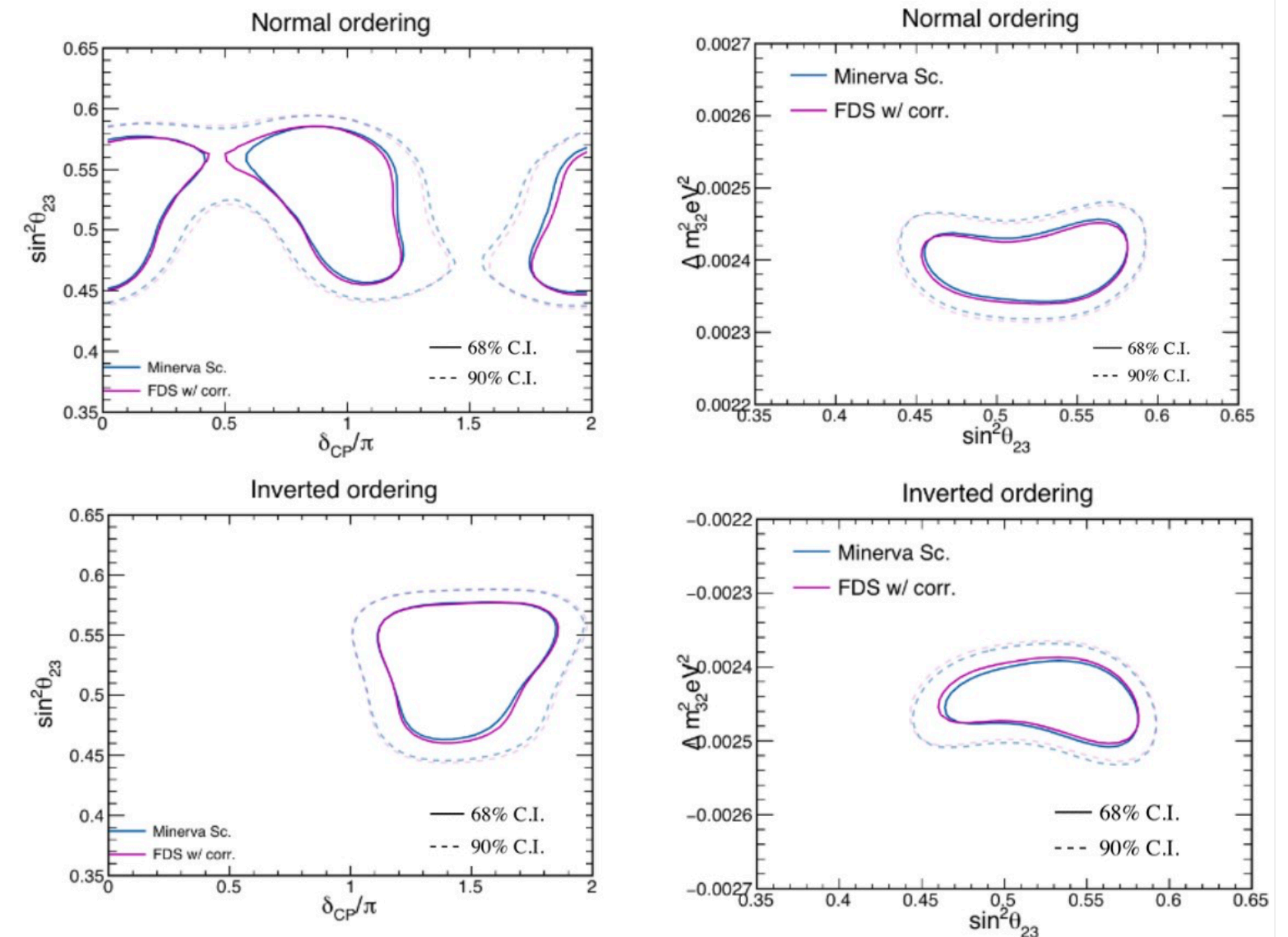
Impact of alternate models

- Strategy used in T2K to address possible deficiencies in our cross-section model
- Produce simulated data at Near and Far detector using an alternative x-sec model and then do the oscillation fit
- Check for possible biases in oscillation parameters → if there are no (small) biases the analysis is robust with respect to the investigated model change



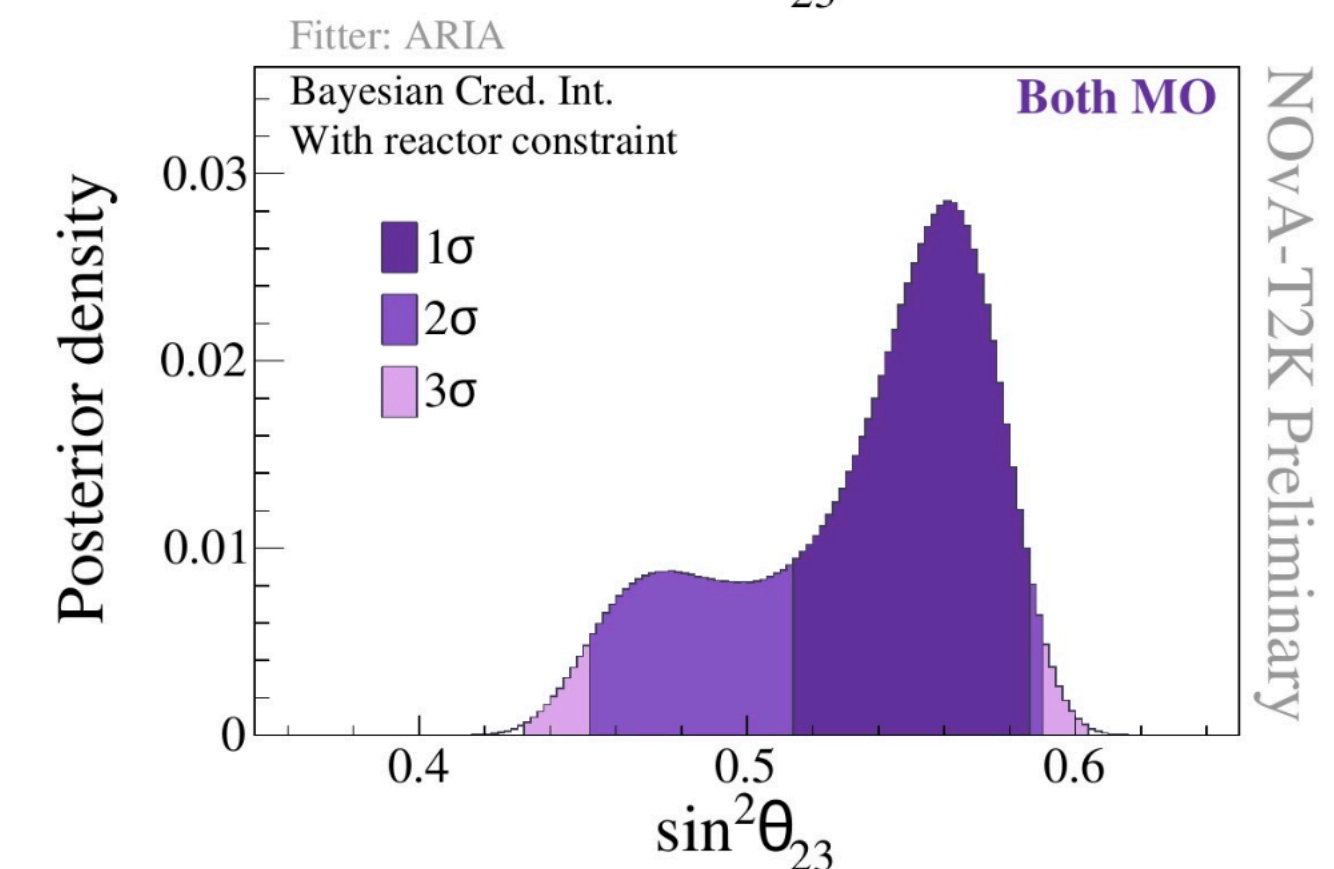
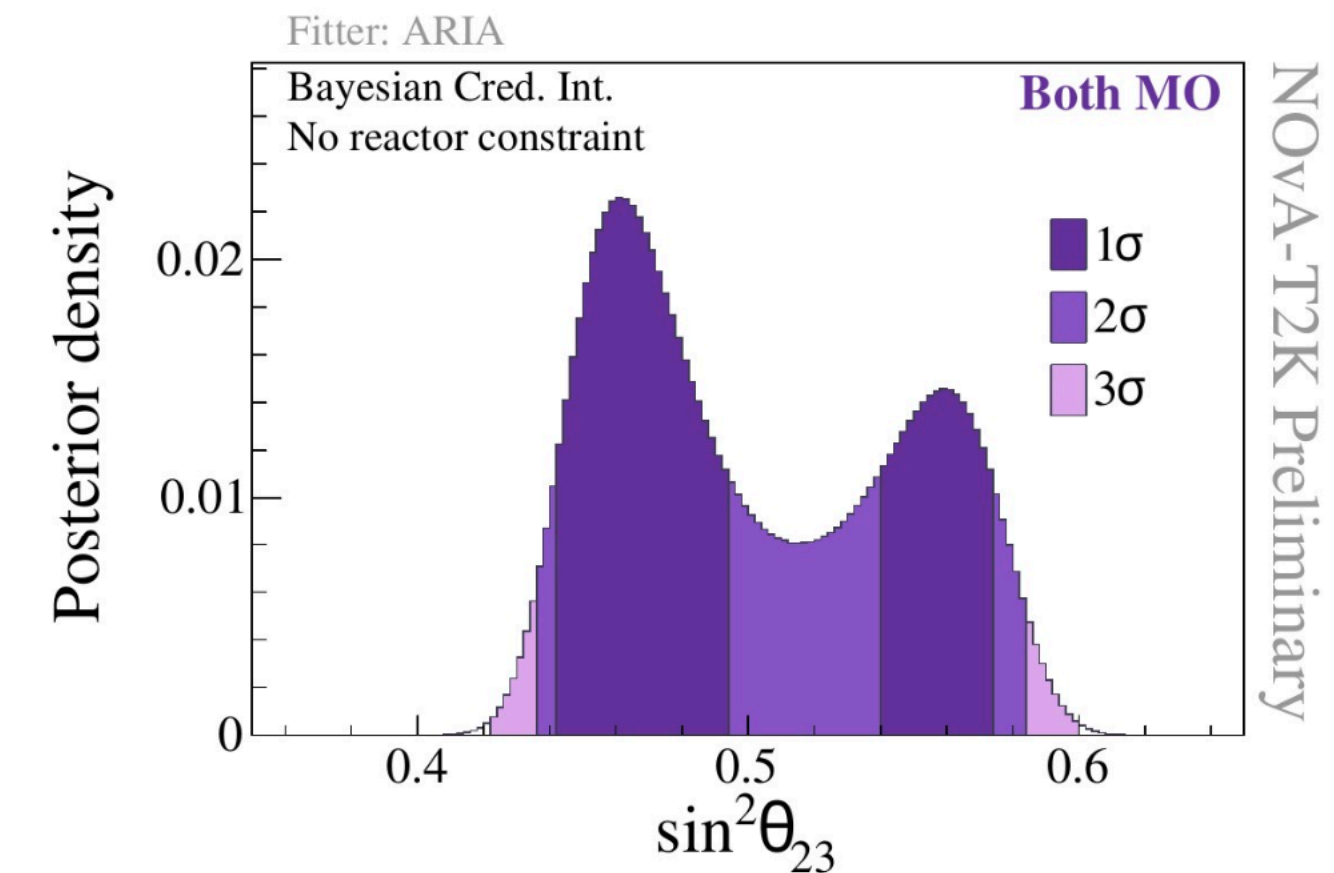
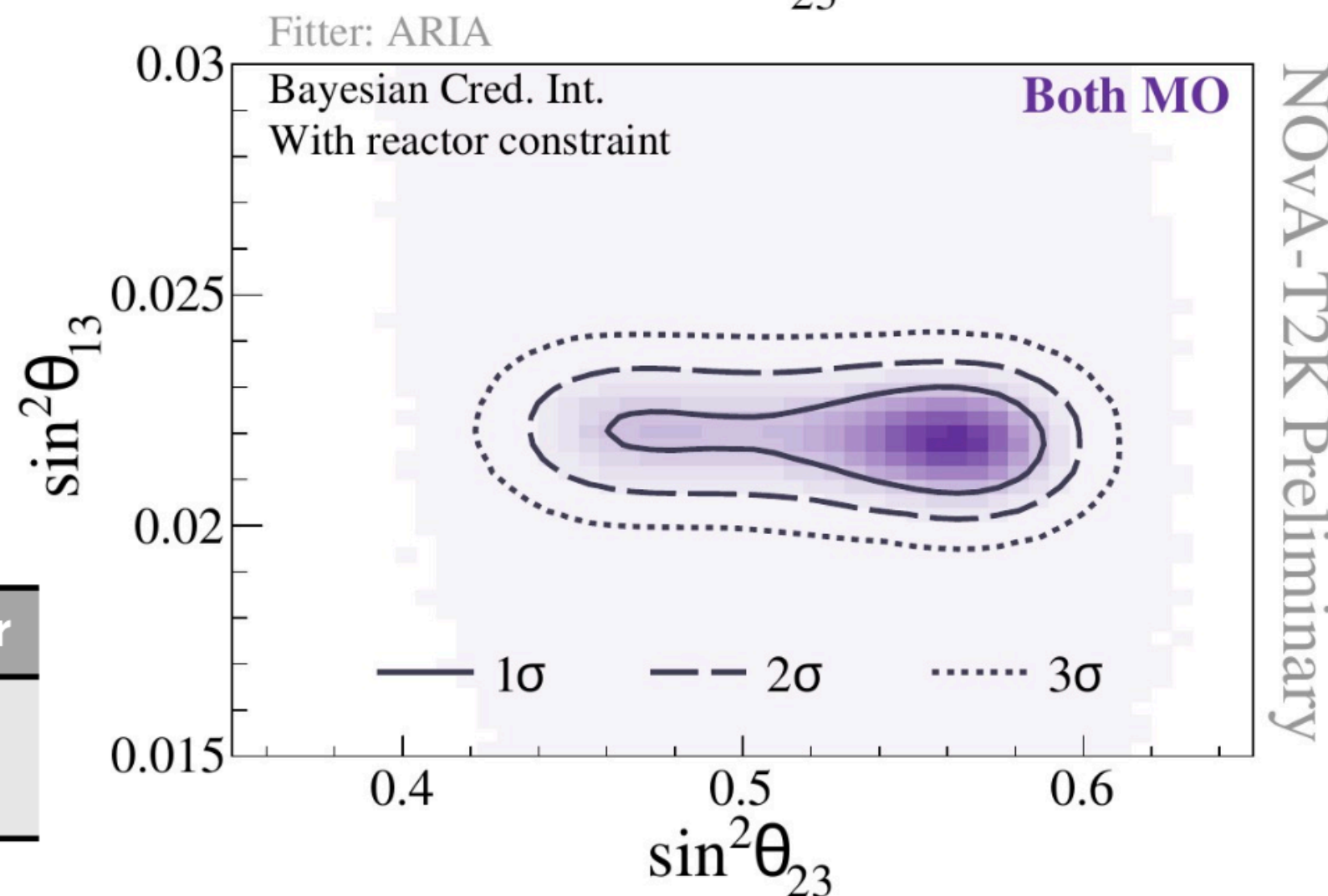
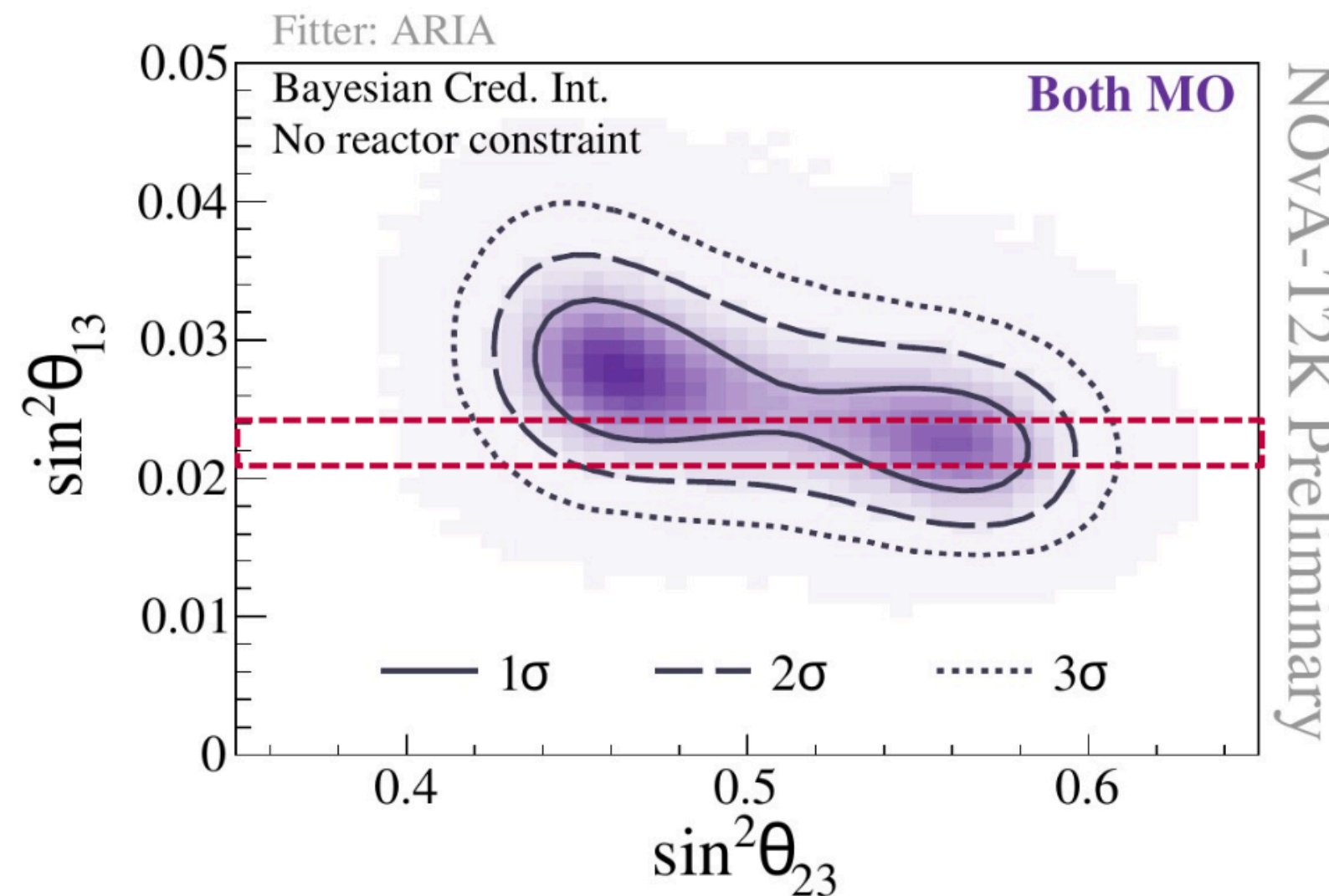
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Results : $\sin^2(\theta_{23})$ and $\sin^2(\theta_{13})$

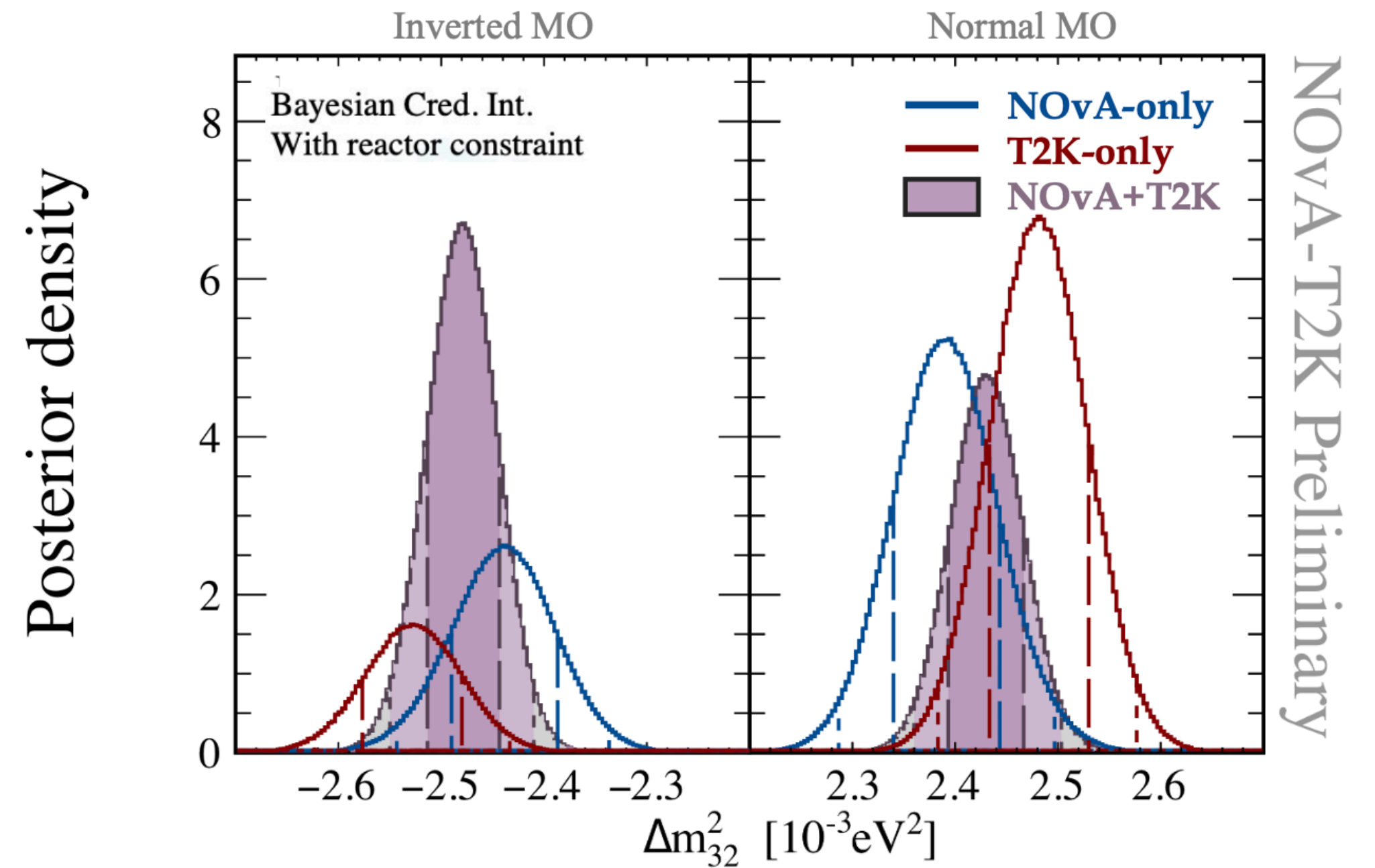
- Degeneracies between θ_{23} and $\theta_{13} \rightarrow$ lifted thanks to the precise measurement of θ_{13} from reactors
- Adding reactor constraint flip the octant from the (very) modest preference for lower octant to a modest preference for upper octant



	NOvA - T2K w/o reactor	NOvA - T2K - w/ reactor
Bayes factor	1.17 Lower Octant/Upper Octant ~54% : ~46% posterior	3.59 Upper Octant/Lower Octant ~78% : 22% posterior

Results : Δm^2_{23}

- When taken alone both, T2K and NOvA prefer normal ordering but combining them is basically a flip-coin with very mild preference for inverted ordering
- But what about reactor measurement of Δm^2 ?



Also see: [Stephen Parke W&C, 2023](#)

*Phys. Rev. D 72: 013009, 2005

Another possible way to determine
the Neutrino Mass Hierarchy

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	NOvA only	T2K only	NOvA+T2K
Bayes factor	2.07 Normal/Inverted ~67% : ~33% posterior	4.24 Normal/Inverted ~81% : ~19% posterior	1.36 Inverted/Normal ~58% : ~42% posterior

Mass ordering

ee : reactor disappearance channel → Daya Bay*
 μμ : long-baseline disappearance channel → NOvA+T2K

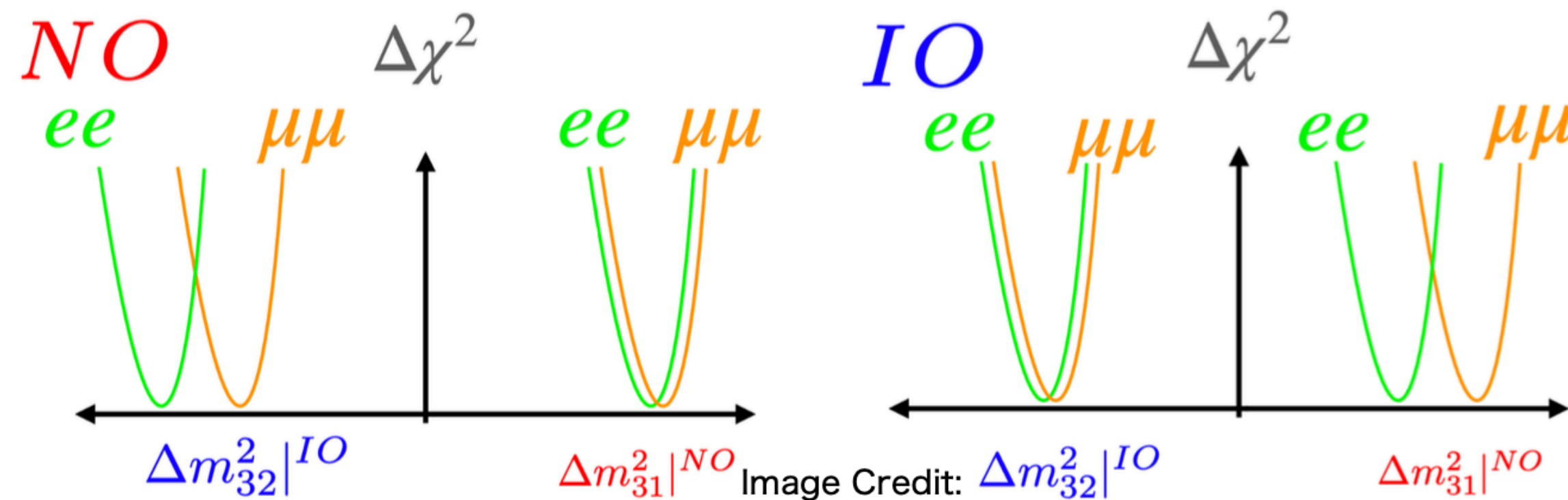
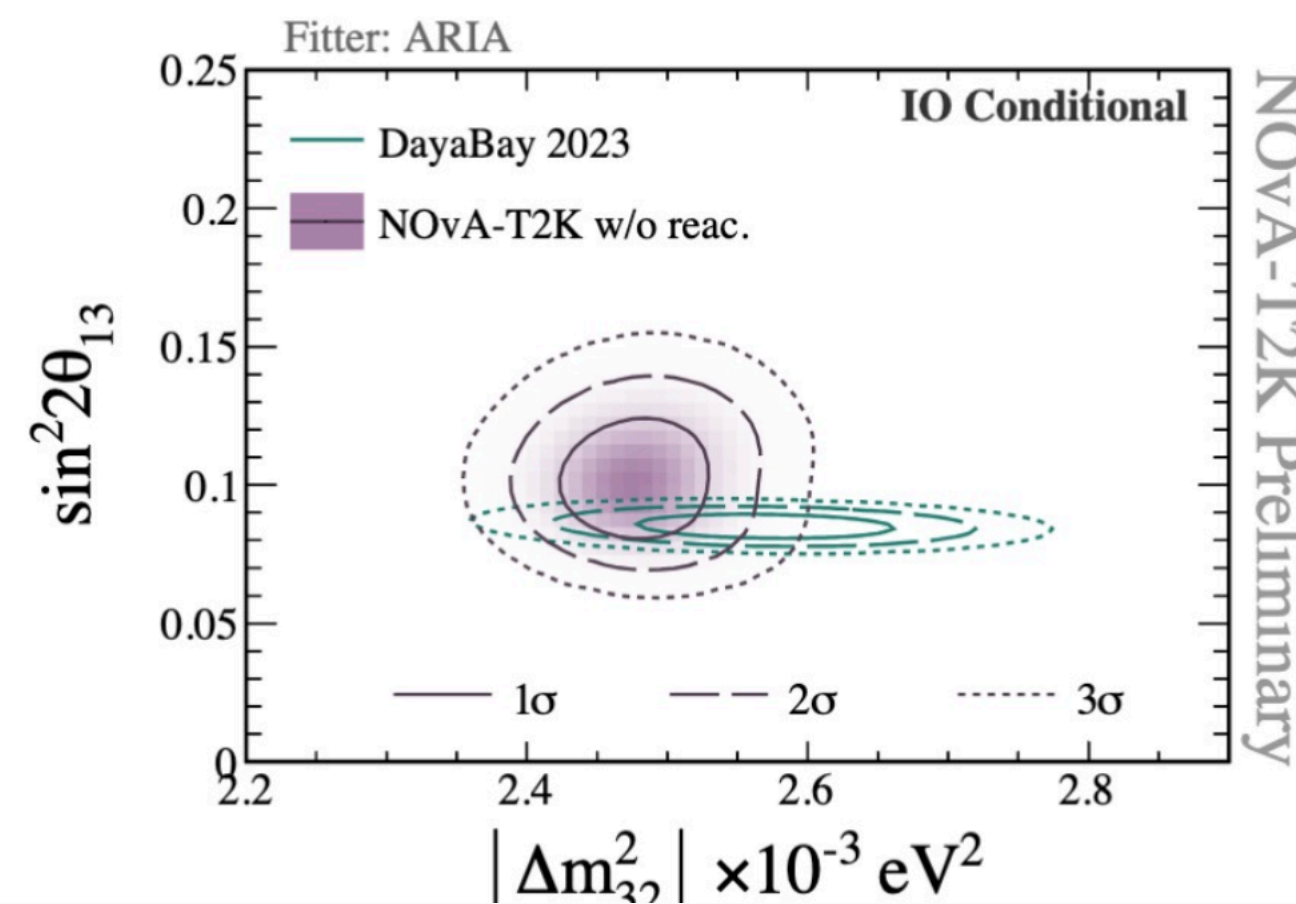
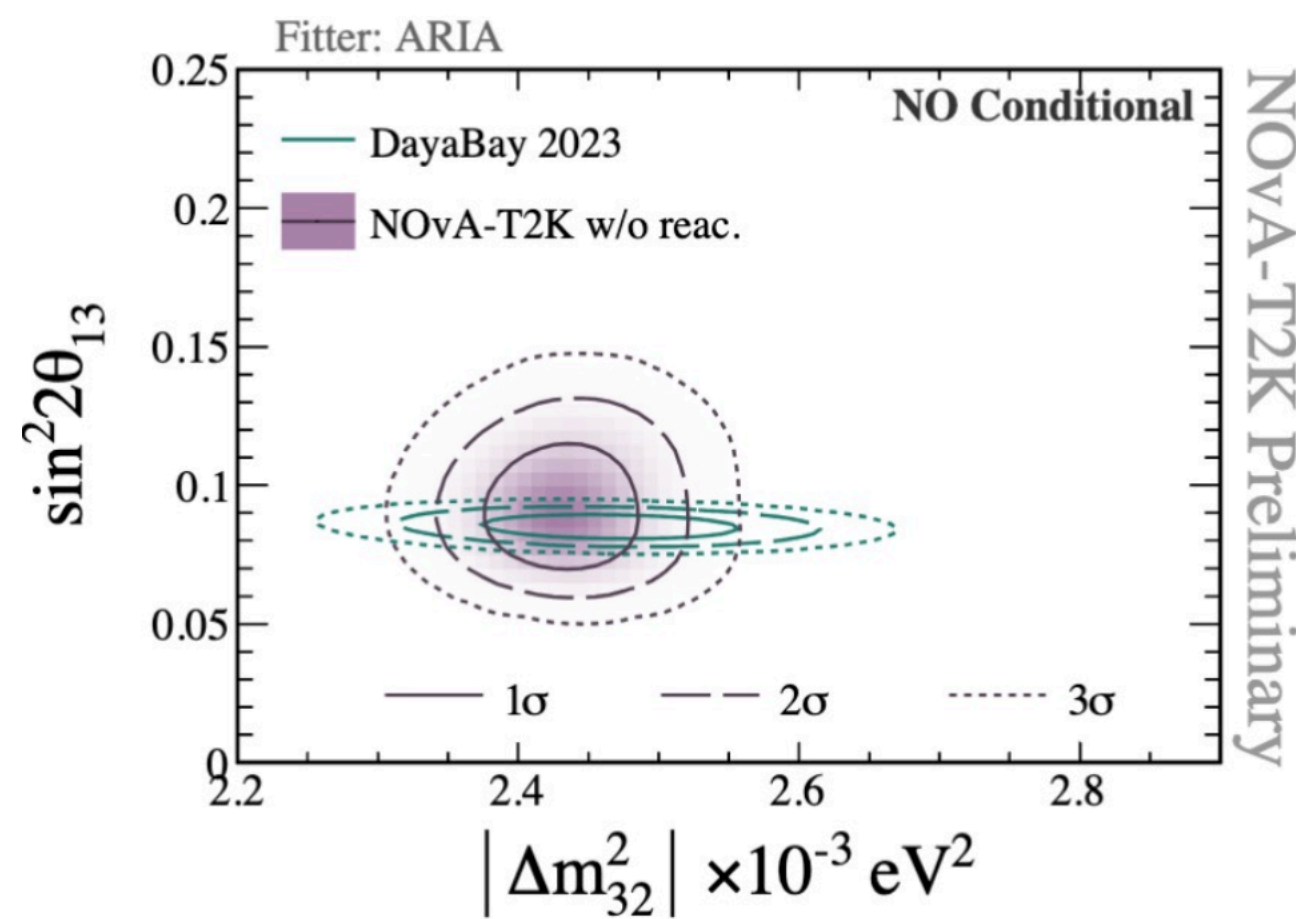


Image Credit:



- Looking at the true mass ordering reactor and LBL measurement of Δm^2 is consistent but it would be off by $\sim 3\%$ in the wrong ordering
- Daya Bay $\sim 2.4\%$ uncertainty on Δm^2
- NOvA and T2K have both $\sim 2\%$ → 1.5% when combined
- Including Daya Bay measurement of Δm^2 flip again the preference to Normal ordering
- T2K/NOvA joint analysis show no preference for either ordering
- Precision on Δm^2 is critical for establishing the mass ordering in combination with JUNO → more tests on-going to test possible impacts of additional alternate models

	NOvA - T2K w/o reactor	NOvA - T2K - 1D Daya Bay	NOvA - T2K - 2D Daya Bay
Bayes factor	2.47 Inverted/Normal ~71% : ~29% posterior	1.34 Inverted/Normal ~57% : ~43% posterior	1.44 Normal/Inverted ~59% : ~41% posterior

Measurement of δ_{CP}

- Both mass ordering \rightarrow higher posterior density around $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$
- Normal ordering: wider range of values with higher density close to $\pm\pi$
- Inverted ordering: enhanced preference for $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$
 - If IO is true, CP conservation excluded at 3σ

