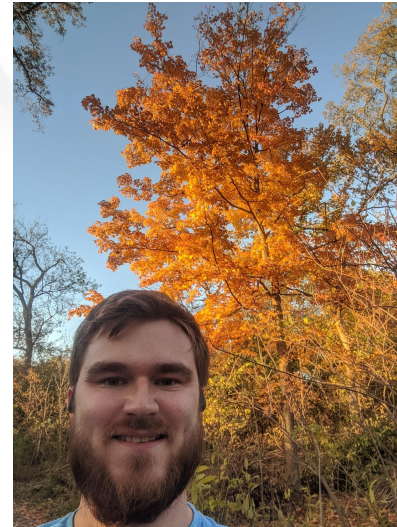
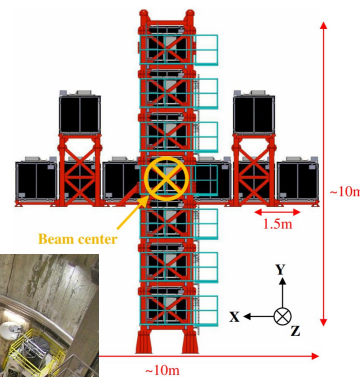
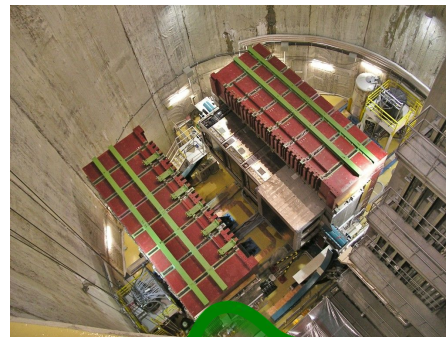
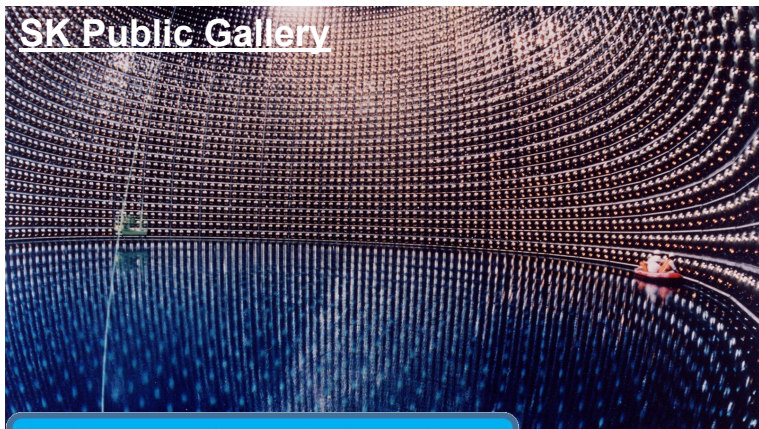


# Status of T2K

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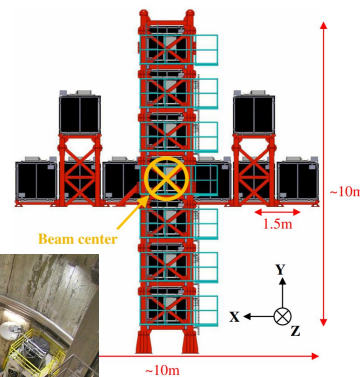
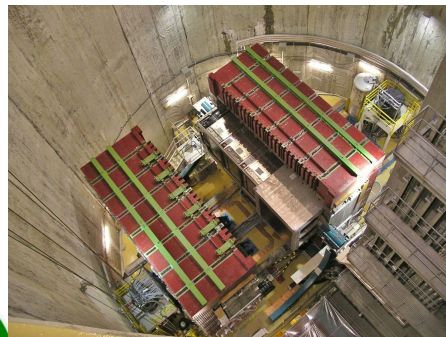
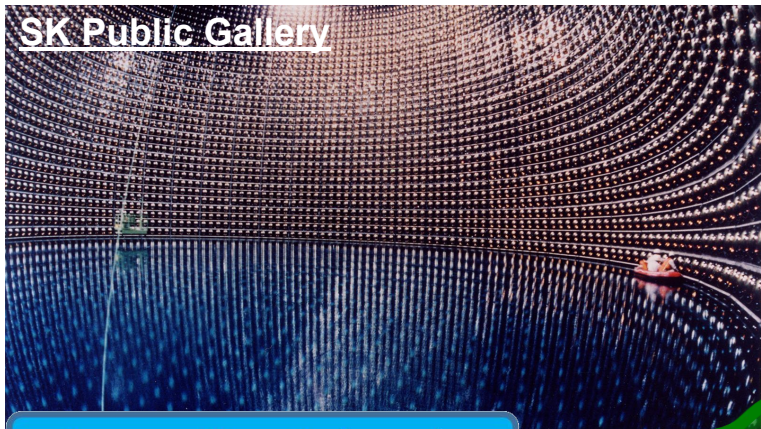
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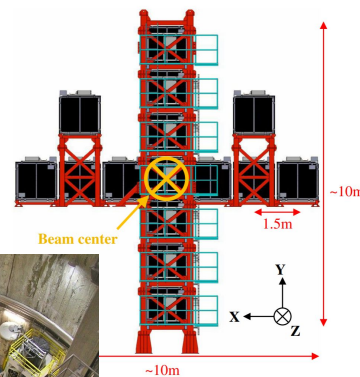
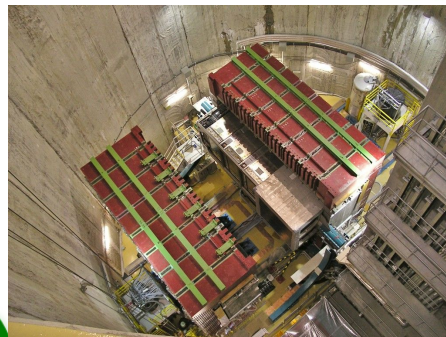
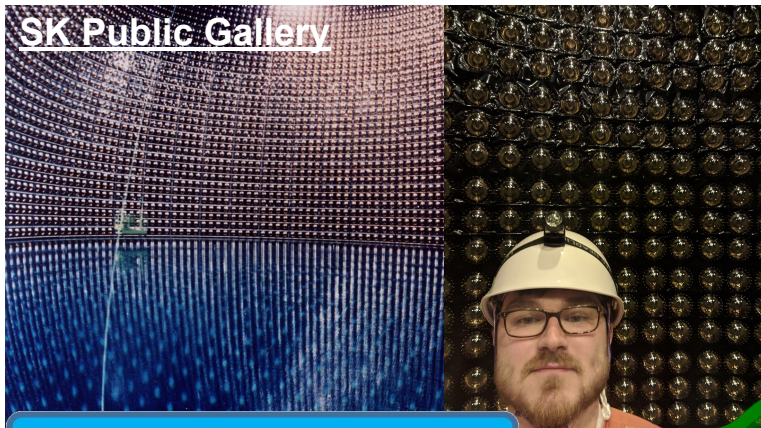
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# T2K At a glance



- 350 members
- 12 Countries
- World leading atmospheric mixing parameters
- Sensitivity to neutrino mass ordering and CP violation
- Rich interaction physics program
- Ongoing upgrades

T2K

Oscillations



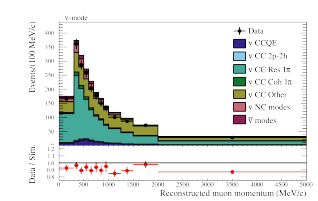
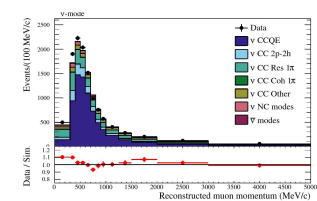
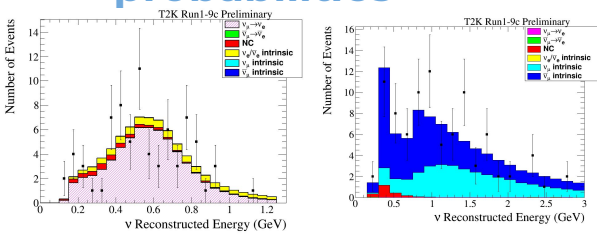
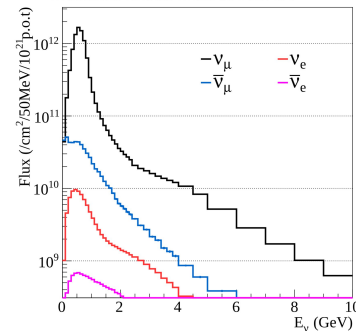
# Anatomy of an Oscillation Analysis

- Sample oscillated beam
- Infer oscillation probabilities

- Sample un-oscillated beam
- Study interaction physics

## Produce neutrino beam

Neutrino Mode Flux at ND280



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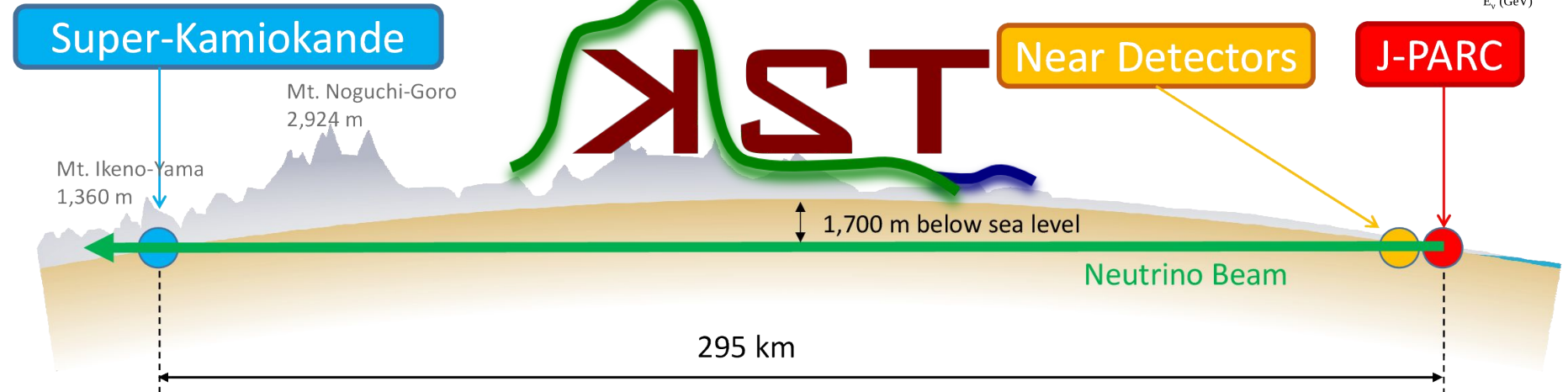
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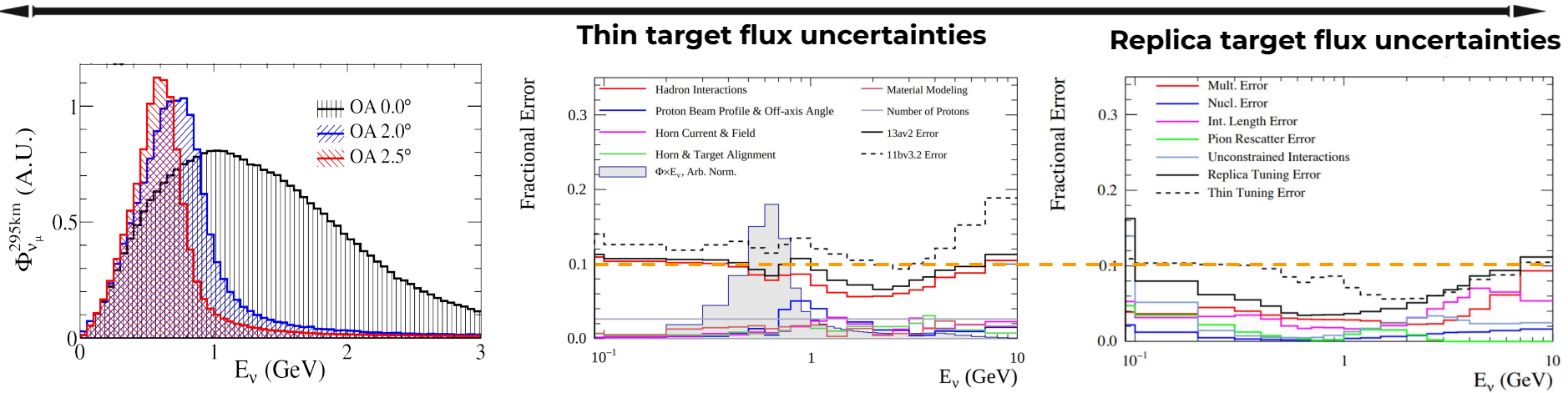
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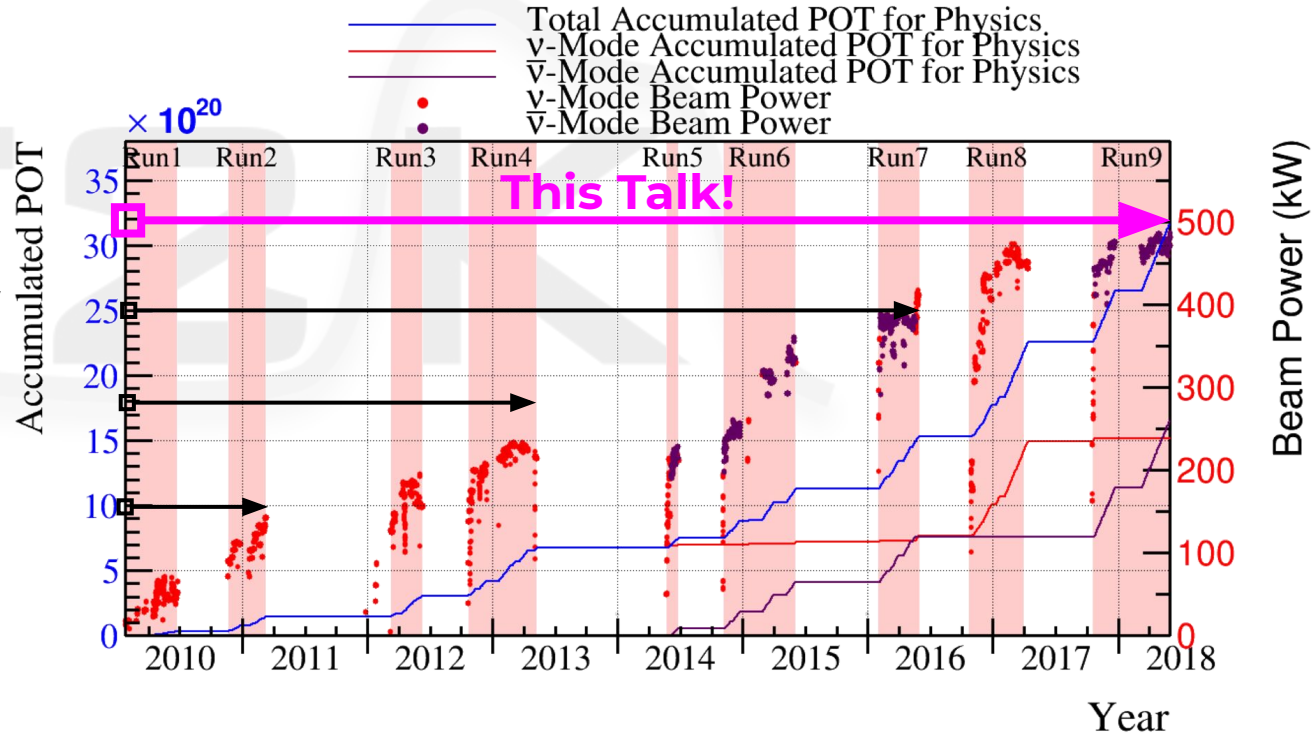


- Main T2K detectors **2.5° off-axis** with respect to the beam:
  - Kinematics of boosted pion decays result in a finer beam width
  - 0.6 GeV peak energy gives maximum oscillation signal @ 295 km
- Uncertainties dominated by **hadron-production**:
  - Simulation tuned to NA61/SHINE hadron-production data.
  - Current: Latest 'thin target' analysis: ~10% uncertainty at peak energy
  - **New:** 'replica target' tune to reduce uncertainty by a factor of 2.



# Delivered Protons On Target

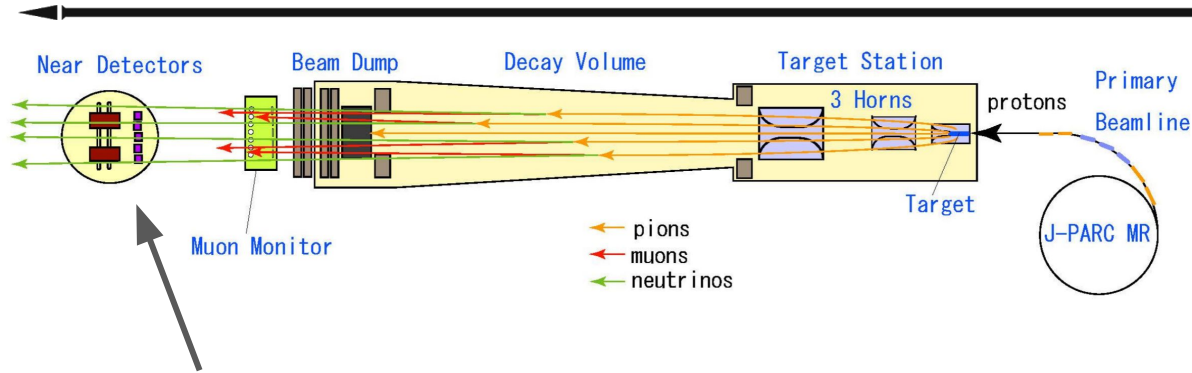
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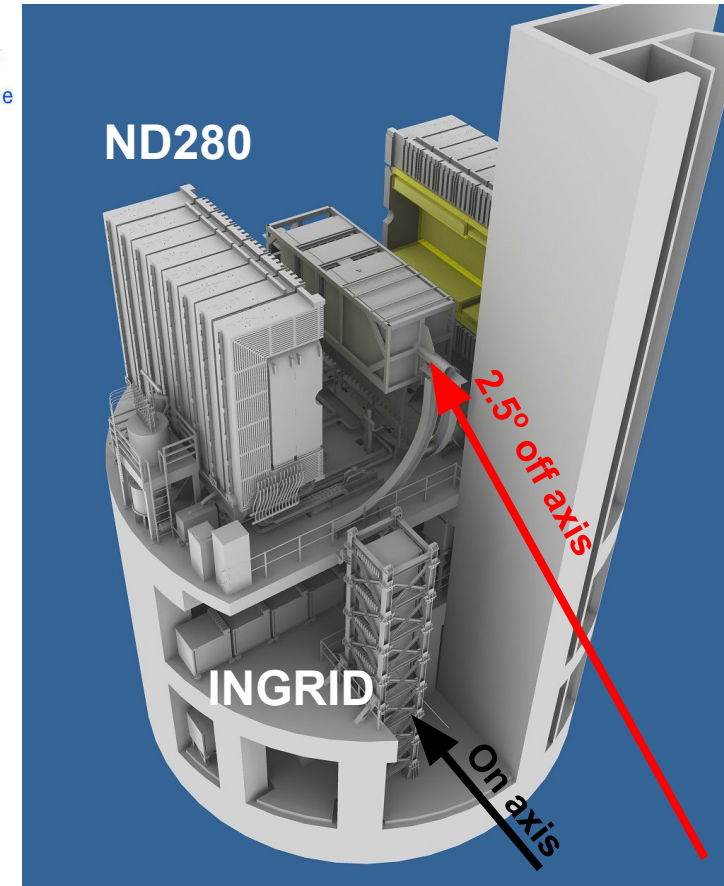
23 Jan. 2010 – 31 May 2018  
 POT total:  $3.16 \times 10^{21}$

$\nu$ -mode  $1.51 \times 10^{21}$  (47.83%)  
 $\bar{\nu}$ -mode  $1.65 \times 10^{21}$  (52.17%)

# Near Detector Complex

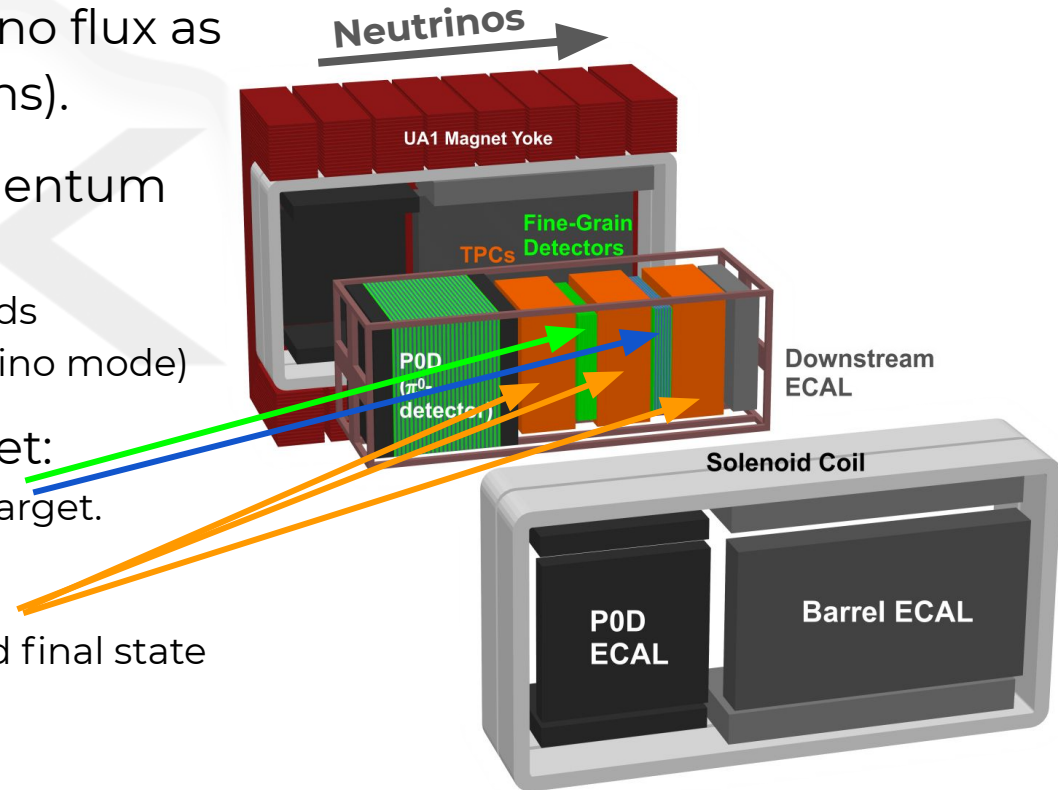


- Located 280 m downstream of proton target station.
- Houses a number of detectors in the J-PARC neutrino beam.
- Two used by T2K Oscillation analyses:
  - **INGRID:** On-axis, ensures beam alignment
  - **ND280:** Off-axis near detector



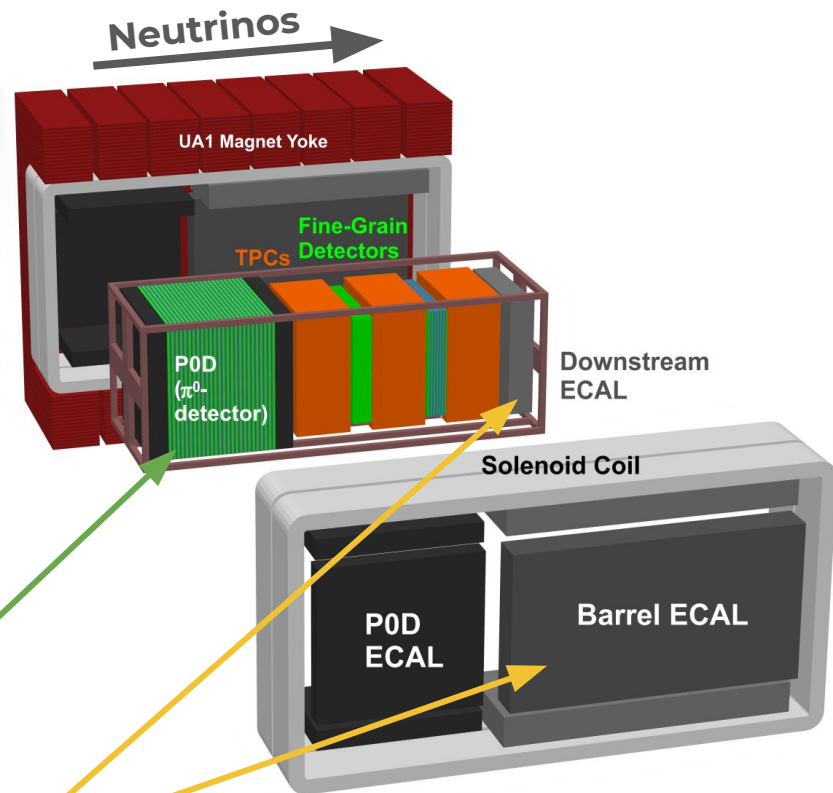
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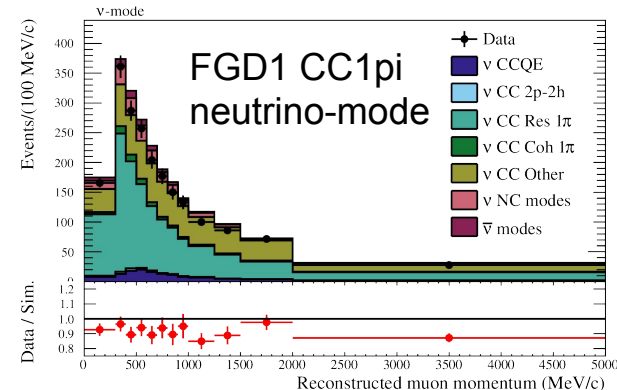
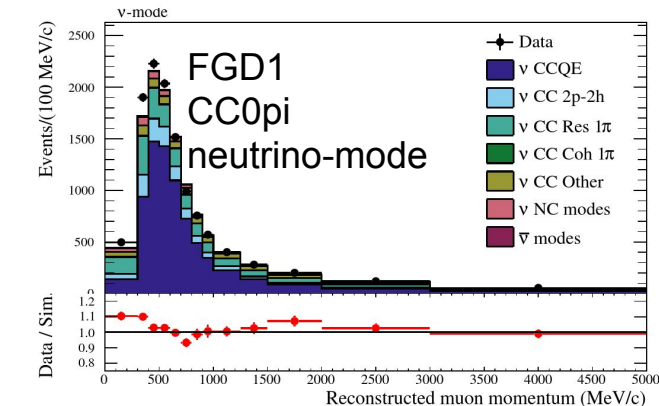
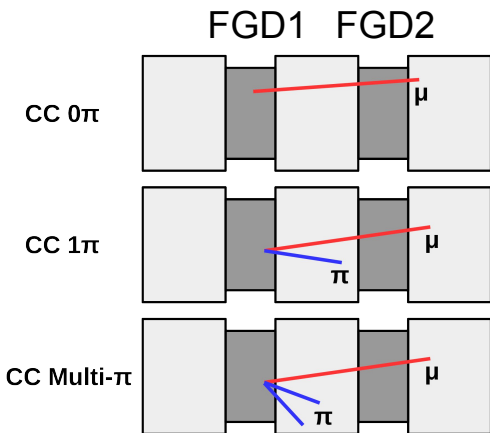


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- **ECal**: PID & escaping energy sampling

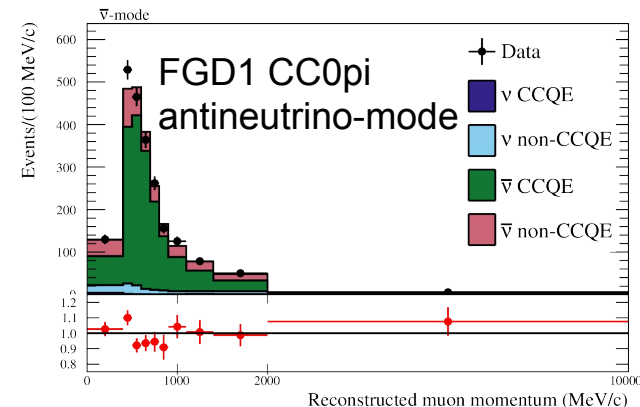


# Near Detector Samples



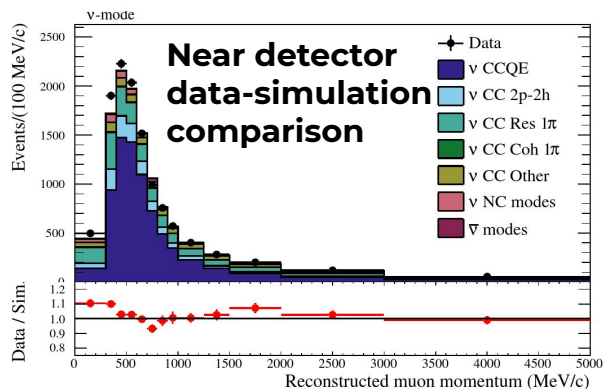
- Near detector samples separated by:
  - Reconstructed pion multiplicity:  $N=0, 1, >1$
  - Target detector: FGD1 (CH) or FGD2 (CH+H<sub>2</sub>O)
- Binned in **observed lepton kinematics** only.
- Both neutrino and antineutrino beam modes:
  - Antineutrino separated into 1-track and N-track
  - Dedicated  $\nu$  in anti-neutrino mode sample

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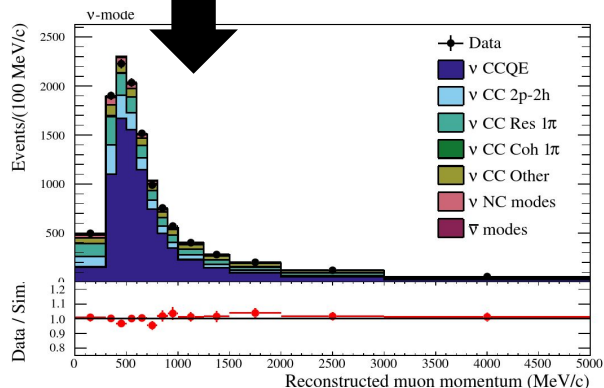
# Near Detector Fit



- ND samples used in analysis to:
  - Tune interaction model
  - Tune flux prediction
  - Correlate flux and interaction uncertainties
- ND samples either:
  - Fit simultaneously with far detector data
  - ND-tuned model propagated to far detector analysis

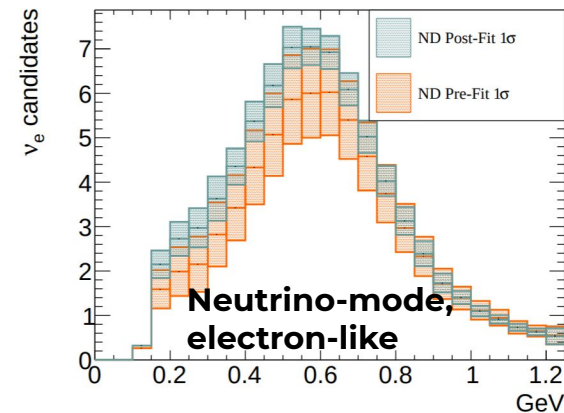
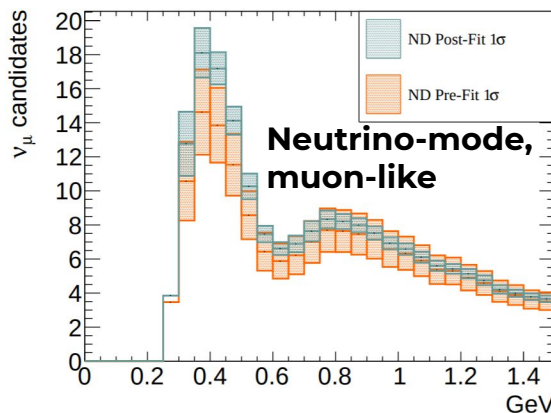
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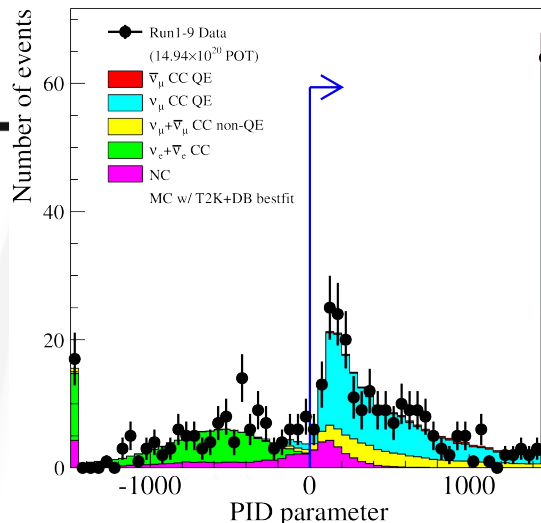
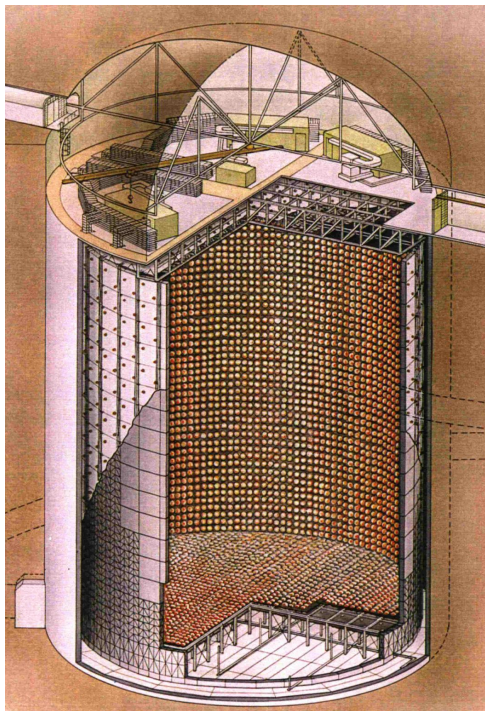


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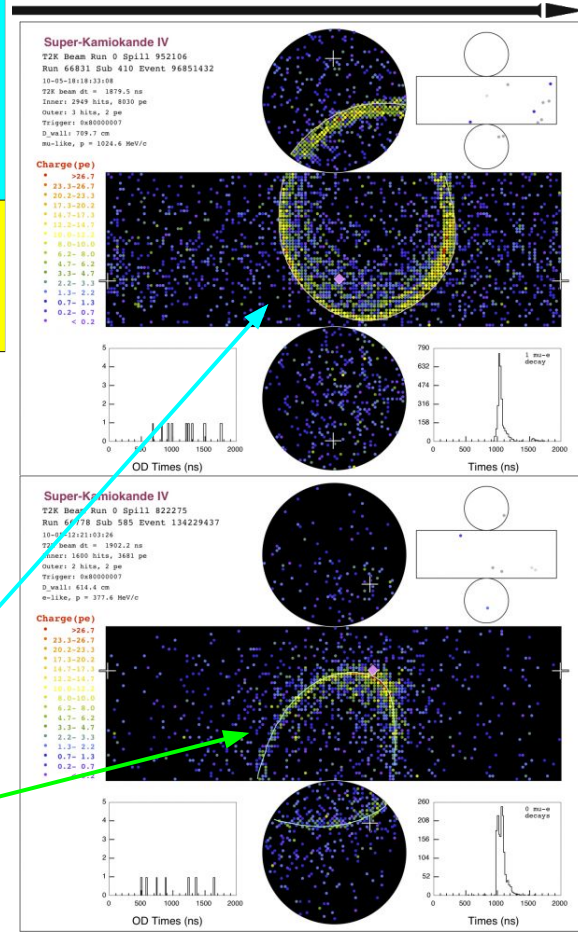
Far detector predicted event rates with oscillations



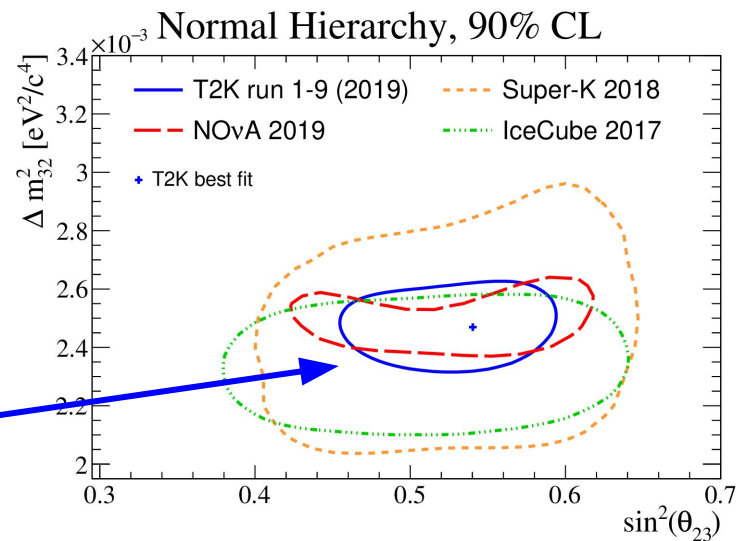
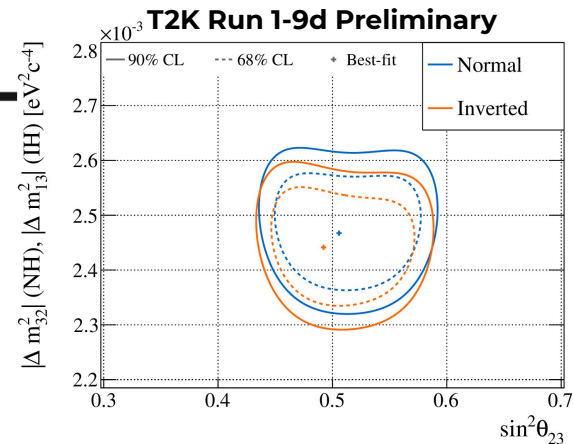
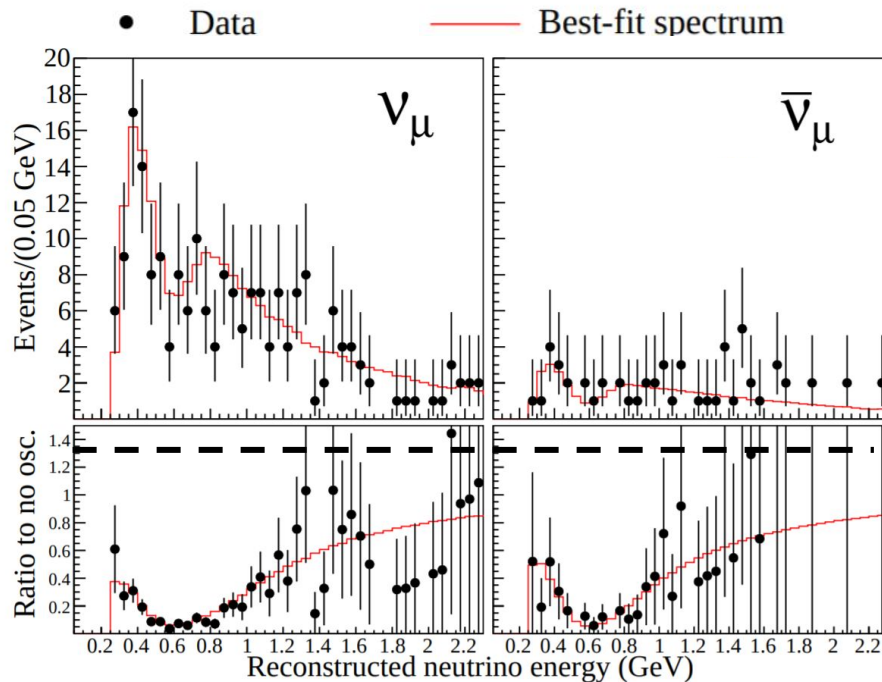
# The Far Detector



- Water Cherenkov detector.
- Sensitive to:
  - Electrons, muons, pions, (very energetic protons)
- Can discriminate Cherenkov rings from:
  - **muon** ('sharp')
  - **electron** ('fuzzy')



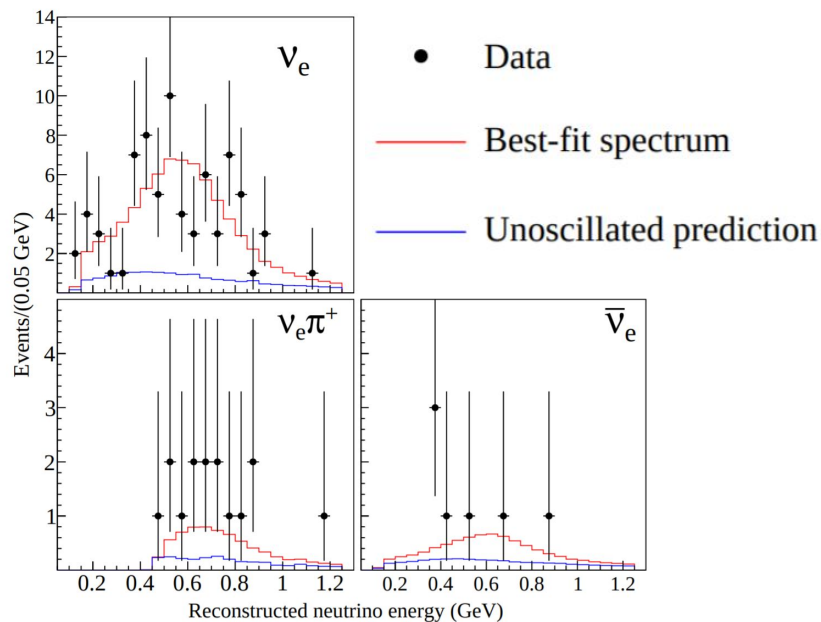
# Disappearance Samples/Parameters



- World-leading constraint on atmospheric mixing angle.
  - Consistent with maximal mixing

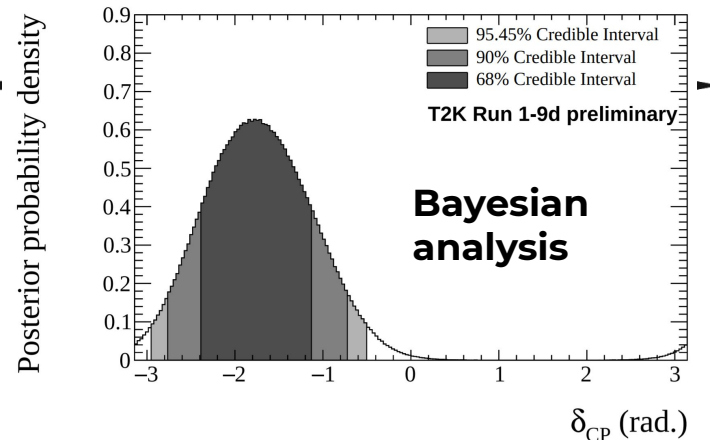


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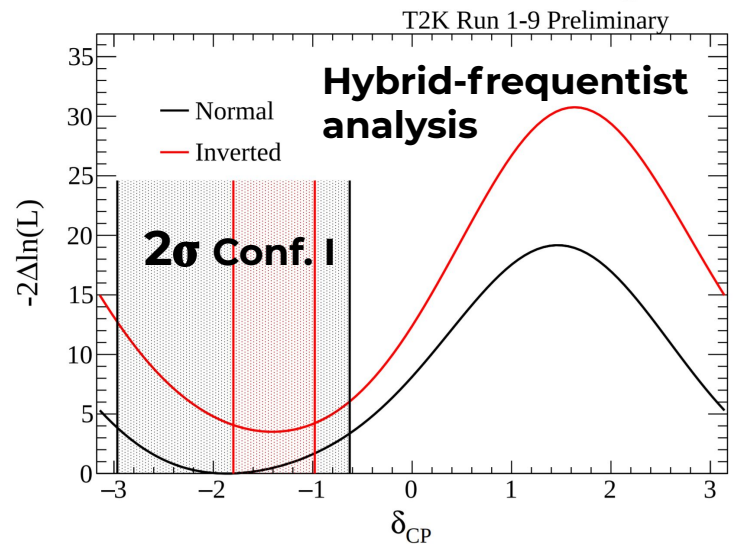


- CP conserving values lie outside the  $2\sigma$  contour for both **bayesian** and **hybrid-frequentist** analyses.

More probable

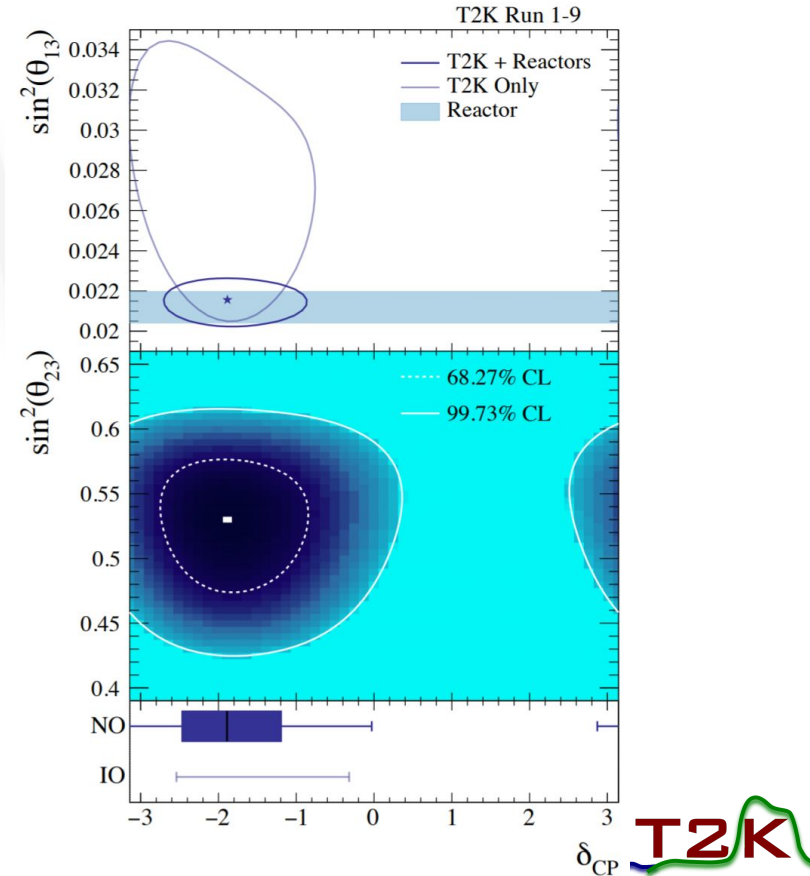


Better fit



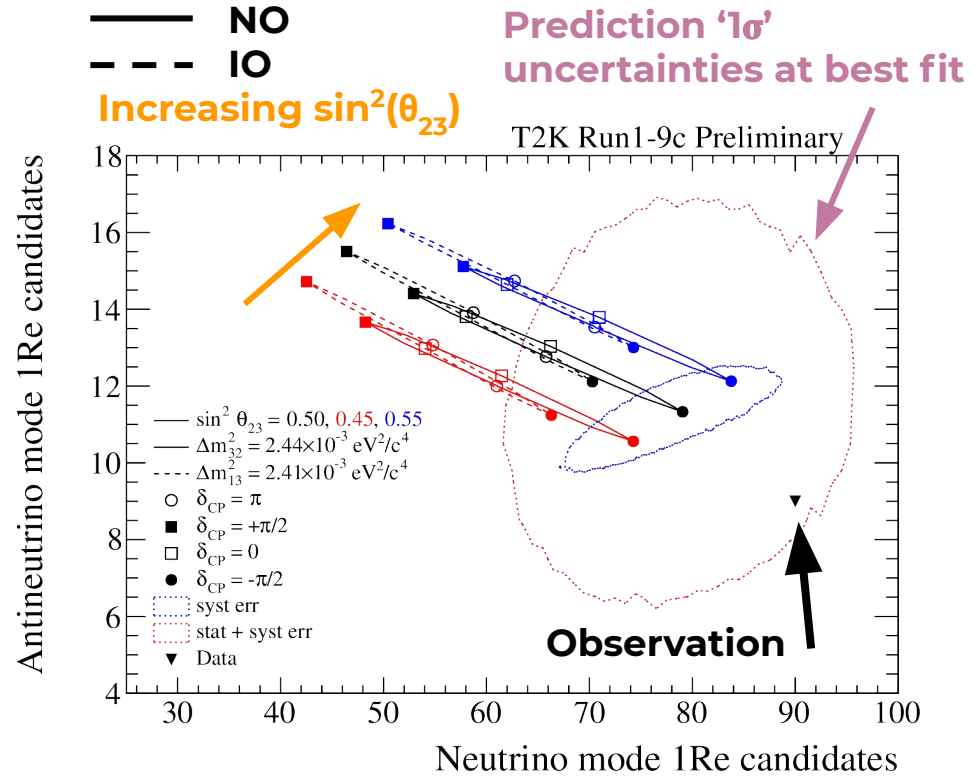
# $\delta_{\text{CP}}$ : $3\sigma$ Exclusion

- Latest analysis extended to ' $3\sigma$ ' intervals.
  - See ' $3\sigma$ ' exclusion of CP-conserving values in inverted ordering.
  - See ' $1\sigma$ ' exclusion of all values of  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$  in inverted ordering.
- Results under peer review:
  - Pre-print available: [1910.03887 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.03887)
  - Watch for publication soon!



# Oscillation Fit: Bi-event rate

- Appearance analysis is statistically limited:
  - Minimal spectral information
  - 'Bi-event' plot depicts preference for NH,  $\delta_{\text{CP}} = -\pi/2$
- Observed  $\bar{\nu}_e/\nu_e$  near edge of expected region given disappearance fit and PMNS oscillations.
- Excited to see more data:
  - Statistical fluctuation?
  - Modelling problem?
  - Something more exotic...?



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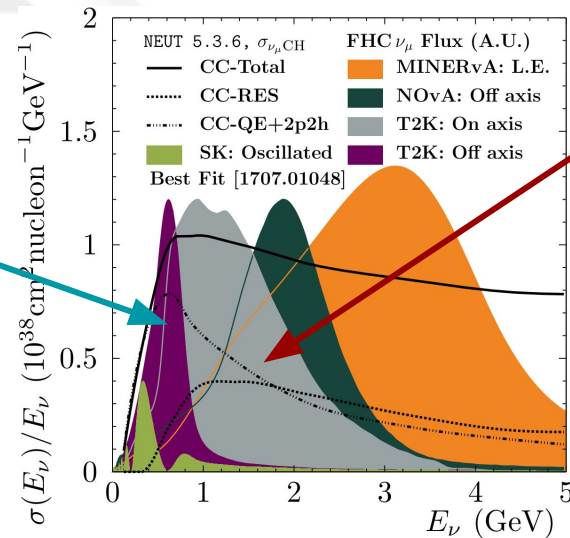


# T2K Cross-section Results

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ND280  
Analyses



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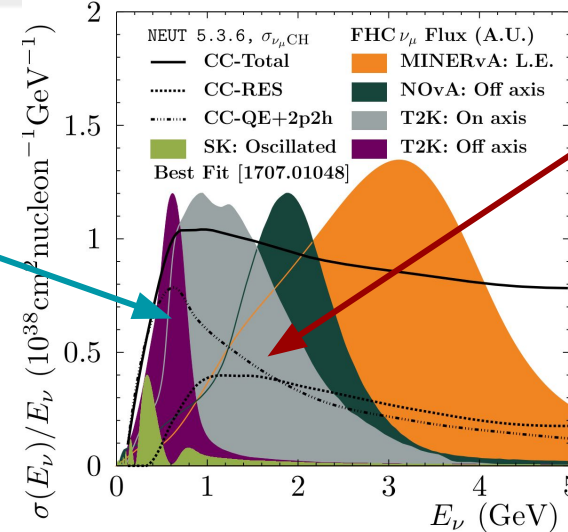


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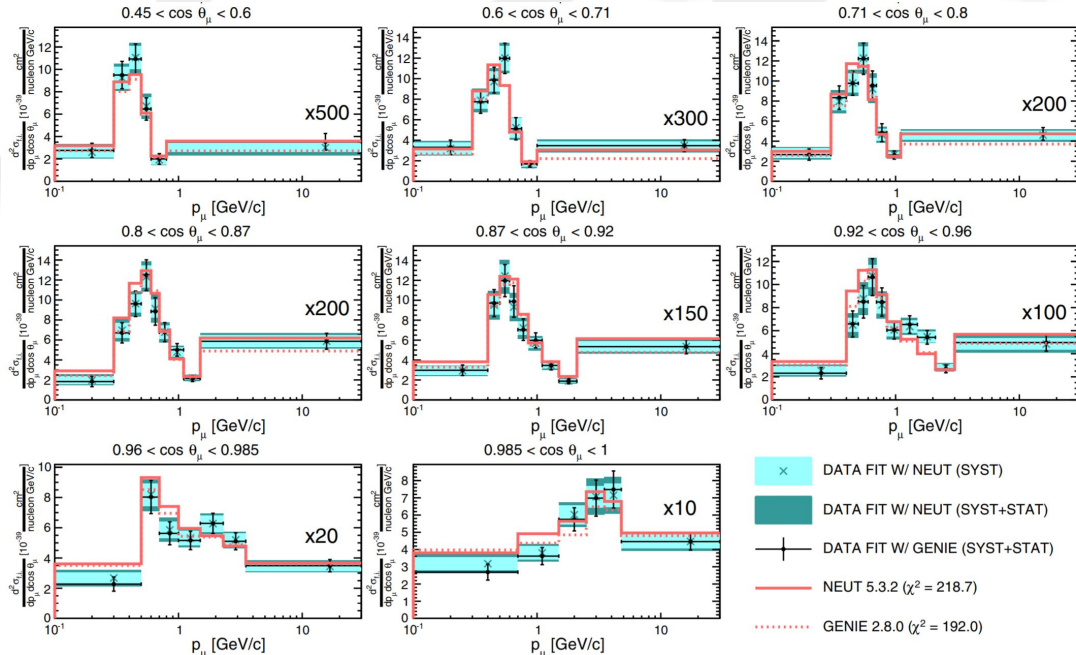
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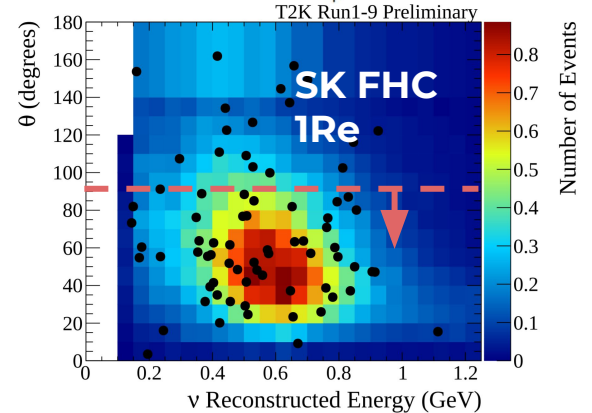
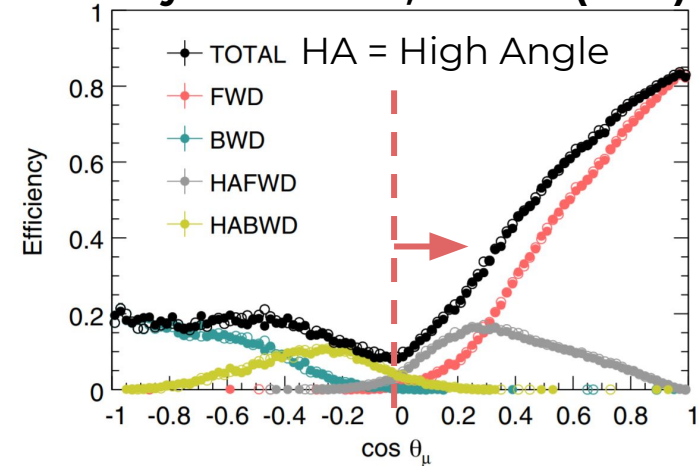


# Focus 1: CCInc Expanded Phase Space

- Previous ND fit only use **Forward** sample
  - Expanded PS better matches SK 4 $\pi$  acceptance.
  - Cross-section work directly improved oscillation analysis sample.



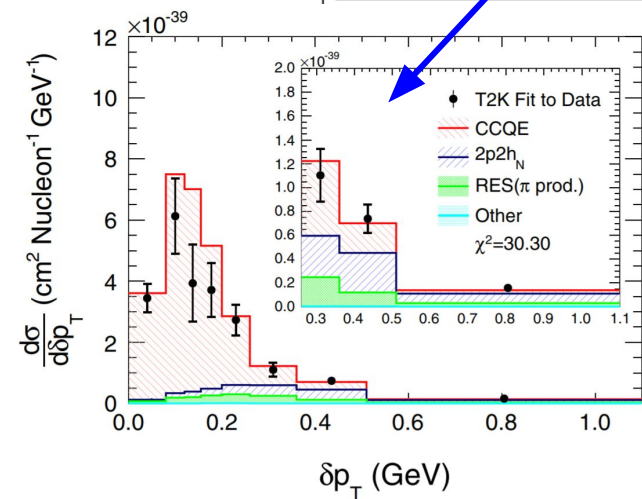
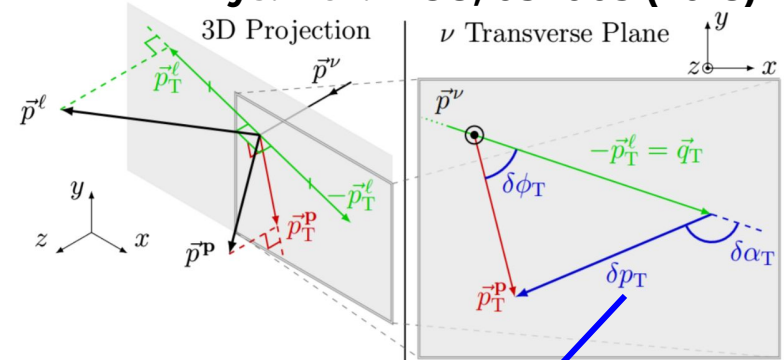
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# Focus 2: CC0 $\pi$ Transverse Variables

Phys. Rev. D 98, 032003 (2018)

- CC0 $\pi$ : Dominant process at T2K energies:
  - Measuring lepton-hadron correlations probes relevant nuclear physics:
    - Oscillation measurements assume Observable  $\Rightarrow$  True energy relationship
    - Unknown nuclear effects distort this  $\Rightarrow$  biased oscillation parameters
  - Analysis careful to reduce interaction model dependence:
    - Signal defined by nuclear-leaving particles.
    - Restricted signal phase space.



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New And Future



# New Cross-section Results

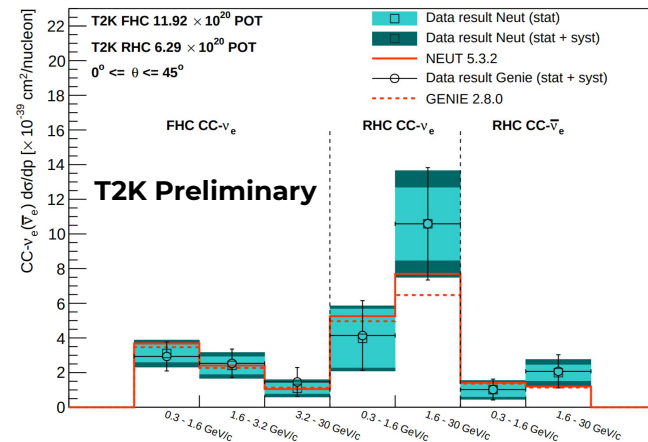
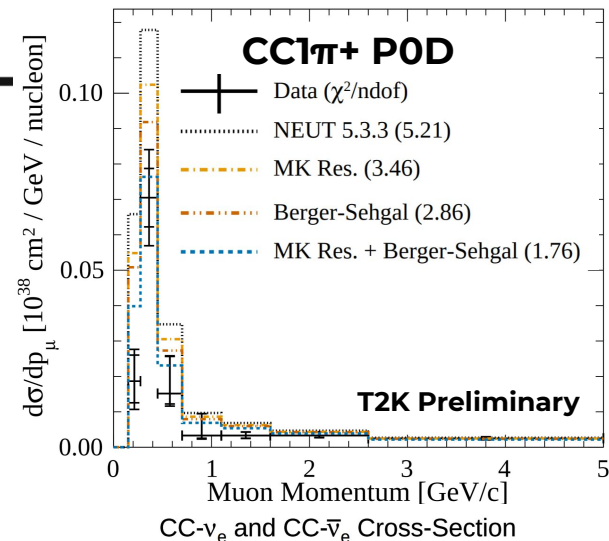
- Newly approved results:

- $\nu_{\mu}$  CC $l\pi$ + CH
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- $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$  CC $lnc$  CH
  - First  $\bar{\nu}_e$  since BC era!
- $\nu_{\mu}$  CC $0\pi$  C/O
- NCQE at SK!

- + many more in earlier stages.

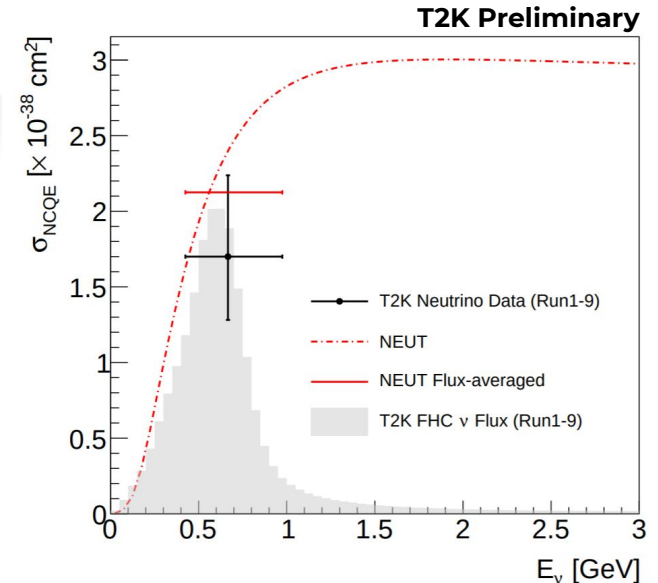
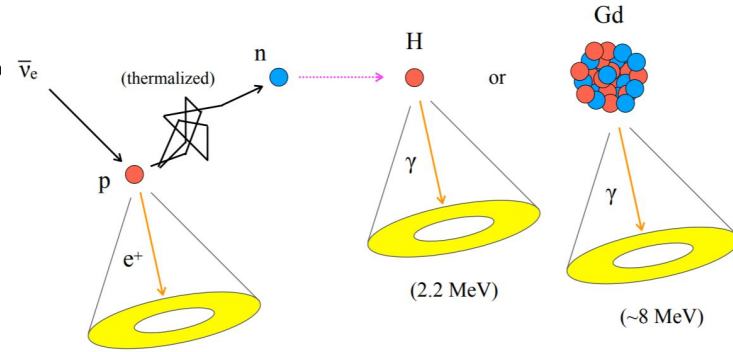
- T2K analysers developing and deploying:

- Novel analysis techniques
- Statistically robust data publication methodologies



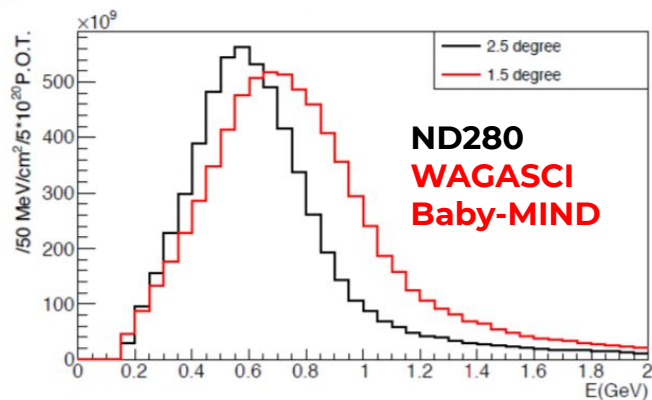
# SK-Gd

- Super-K deep cleaned in preparation for Gadolinium doping.
- Much improved efficiency for neutron capture:
  - Sensitivity to supernova relic neutrinos
  - Statistical separation of neutrino/antineutrino rate
  - Many unknown interaction effects: total cross-section, FSI, ...
- **New!** T2K-SK NCQE cross-section measurement:
  - Neutron-producing background process for supernova relics and coincidence with charged current oscillation signal events.

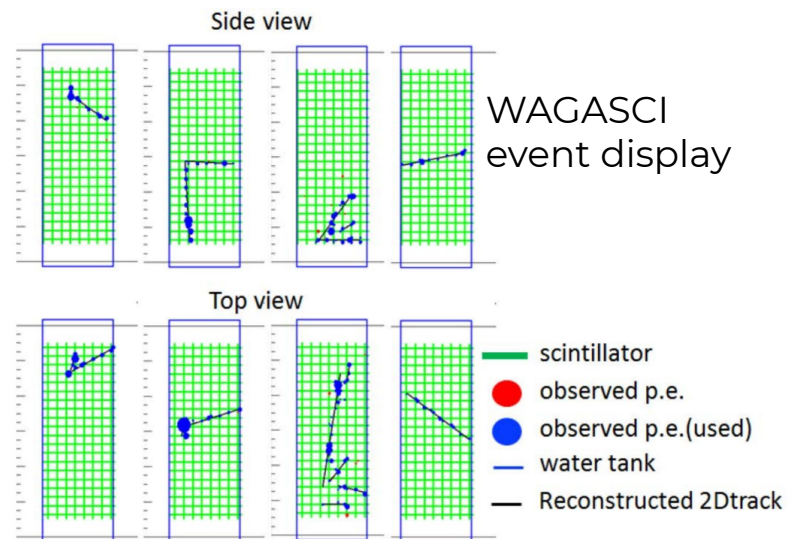


# WAGASCI and Baby-MIND

- **WAGASCI:**
  - Water/Scintillator detector
  - Can run water-out for CH subtraction
  - One module on-axis and one at  $1.5^\circ$  off axis.
- **Baby-MIND:**
  - Compact magnetised iron plate and scintillator detector
  - ranging, charge, and momentum

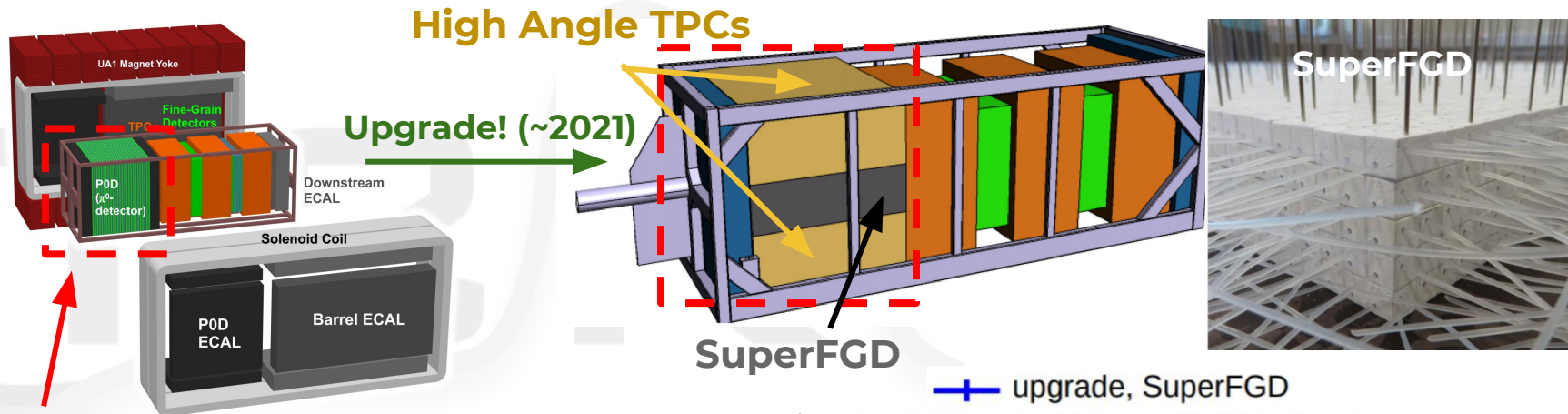


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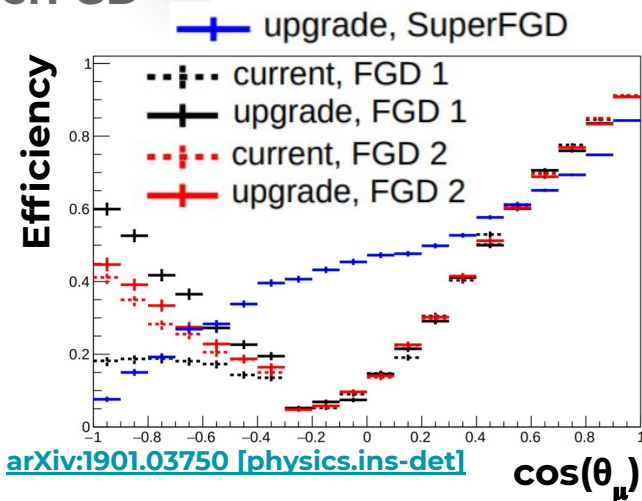


# ND280 Upgrade

See Sergey's [talk](#) yesterday for more details

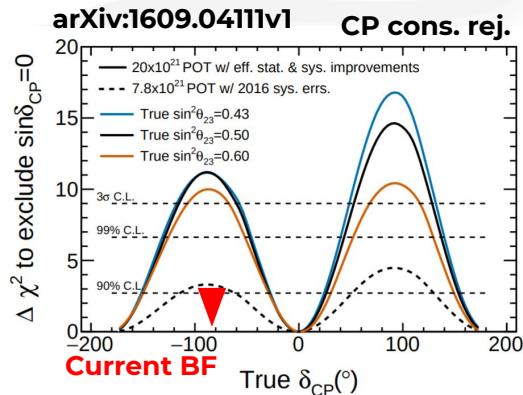


- **P0D** being replaced for T2K-II
- New 3D scintillator detector + horizontal TPCs:
  - **Improved acceptance**
    - **High angle**
    - Low momentum (esp. protons)

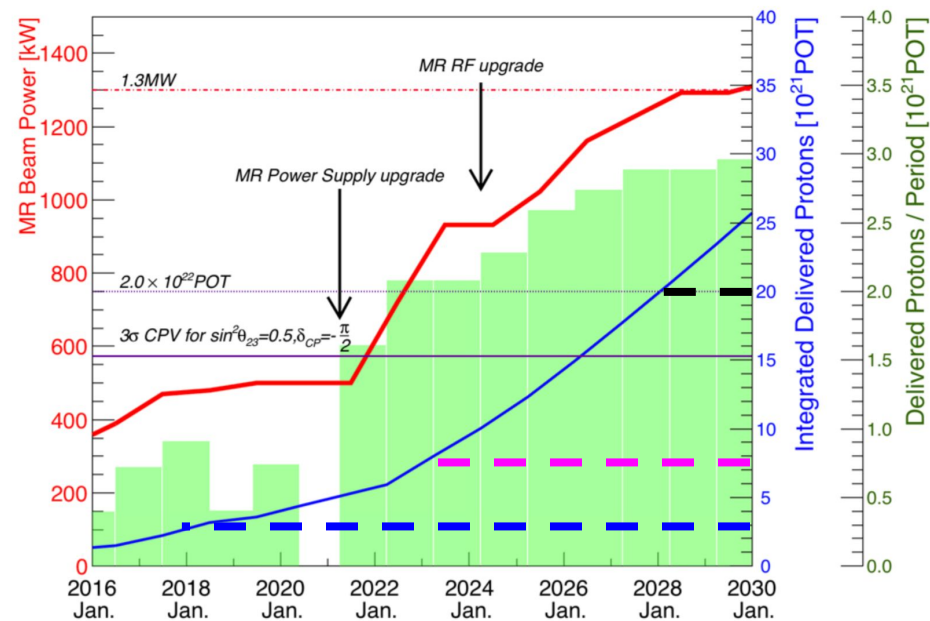


# T2K-II and J-PARC Beam upgrade

- T2K has recorded  **$3.16 \times 10^{21}$  POT**
  - T2K original POT quota:  **$7.8 \times 10^{21}$**
- T2K-II to take:  **$20 \times 10^{21}$**
- Continued rich physics program and improved oscillation sensitivity until Hyper-K



T2K-II Target POT (Protons-On-Target)





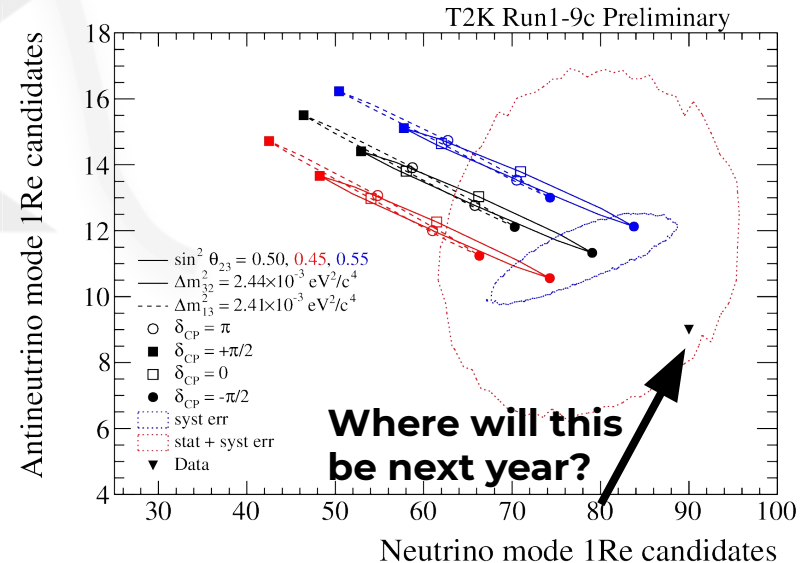
# T2K-NOvA

- Joint analysis workshops on-going:
  - Four successful meetings since 2017
  - Strong US-Japan support!
- Challenging joint analysis:
  - Different experimental setups
  - Different peak energy
  - Different analysis methodology
- But NOvA-T2K sensitivity is worth the challenge!



# Summary

- It's an exciting time in long baseline neutrino physics!
- World-leading measurements of mixing parameters.
- Beginning to see sensitivity to lepton-sector CPV.
- Important and interesting problems to tackle in interaction physics.



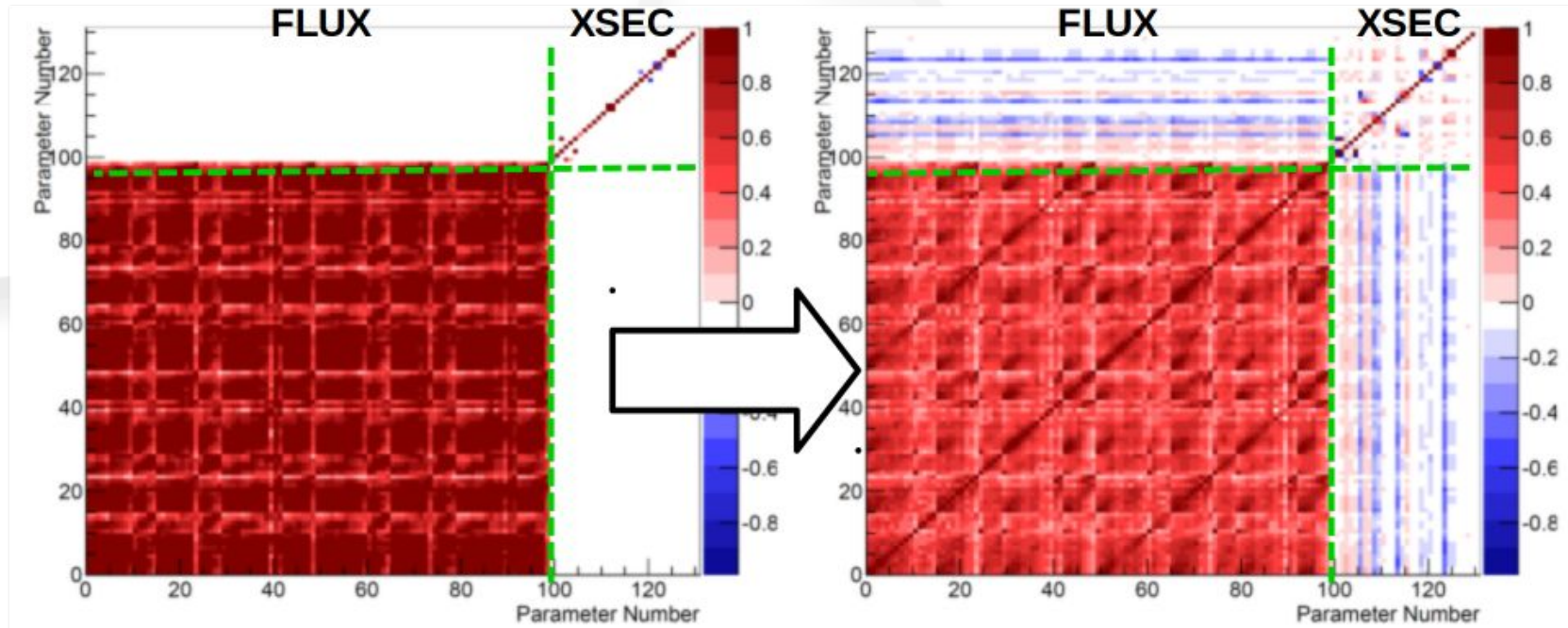
Dawn from the summit of Fuji-san

**Thanks for listening**

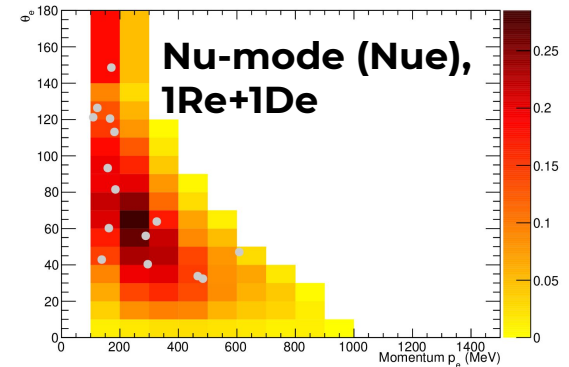
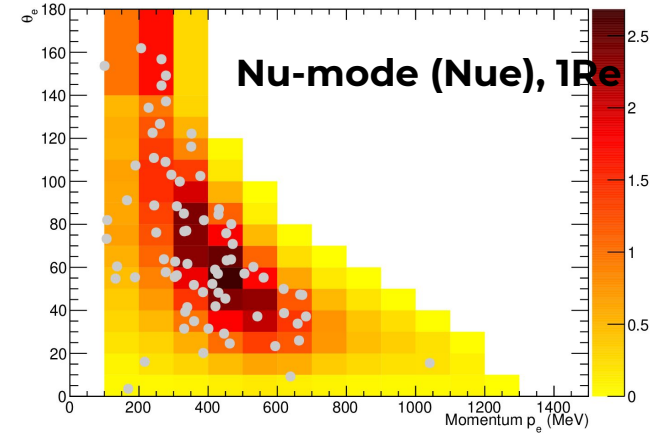
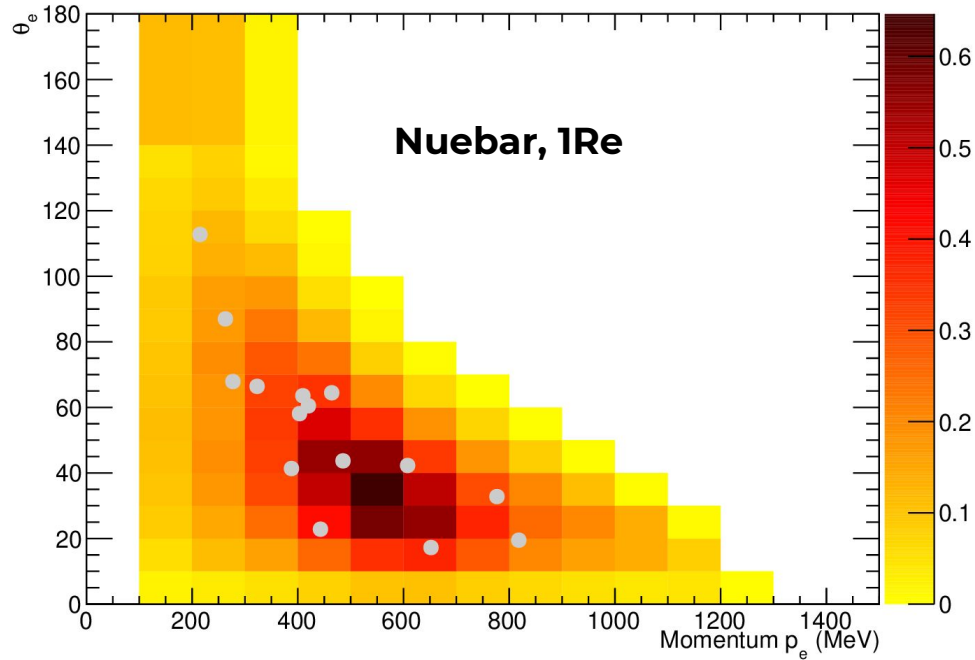


# Near detector Flux/XSec Correlations

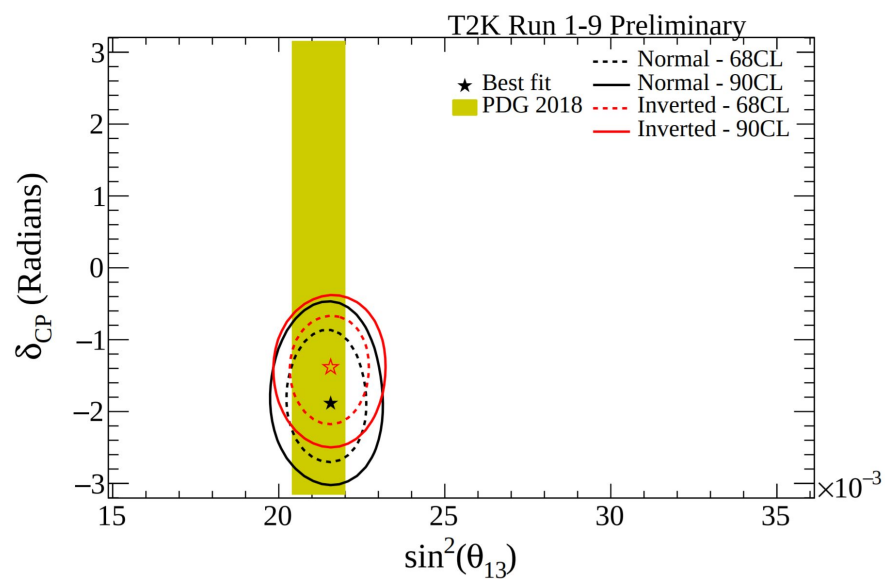
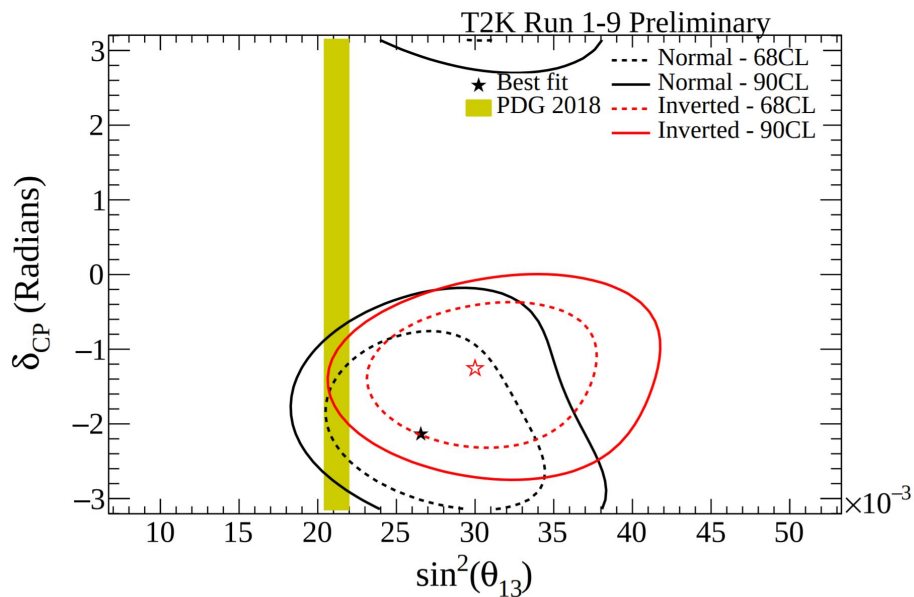
ND280 constraint



# Predicted Event Rates $p/\theta$



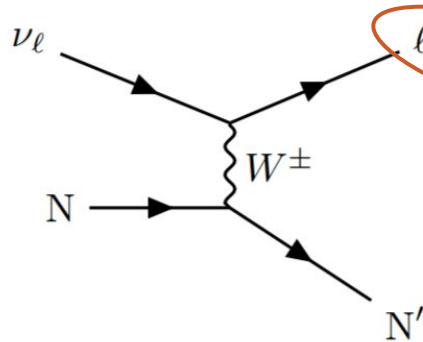
# dcp/th13 contours



# Neutrino Oscillation: PMNS

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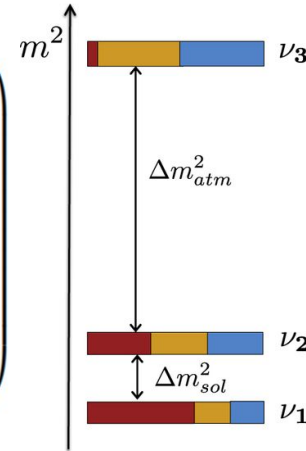
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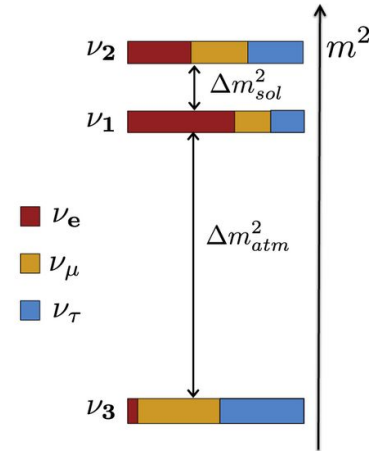
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Pontecorvo–Maki–Nakagawa–Sakata

Normal hierarchy

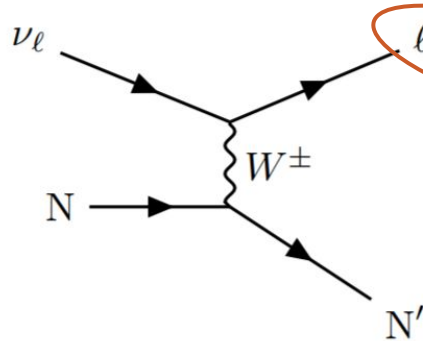


Inverted hierarchy



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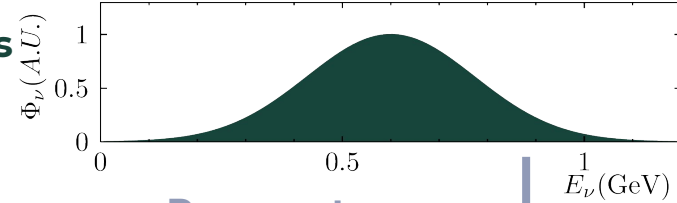
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e.g. created as muon neutrinos

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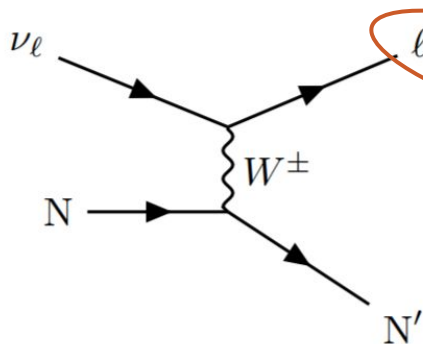
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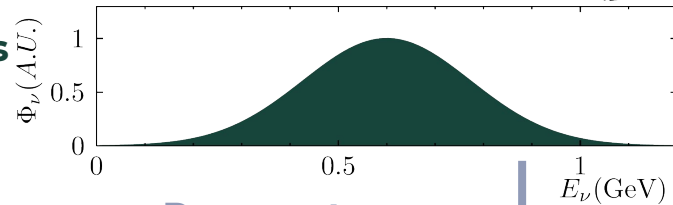
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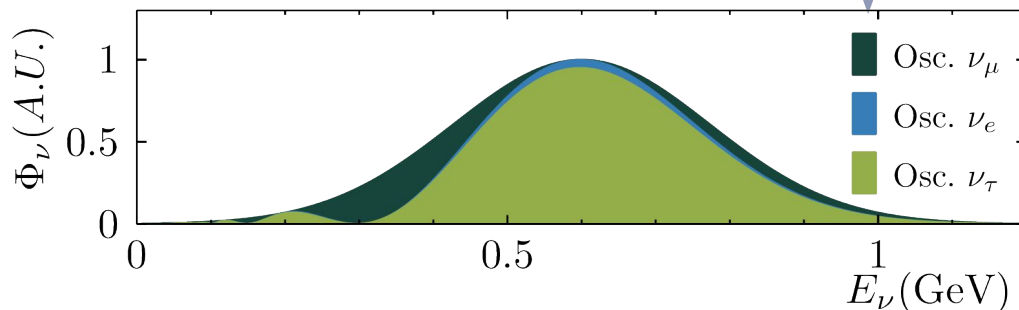
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Propagate as superposition of mass/energy eigenstates.

Projecting back to flavor eigenstates reveals a different flavor mixture. (if  $|\Delta m^2_{ij}| \neq 0$ )

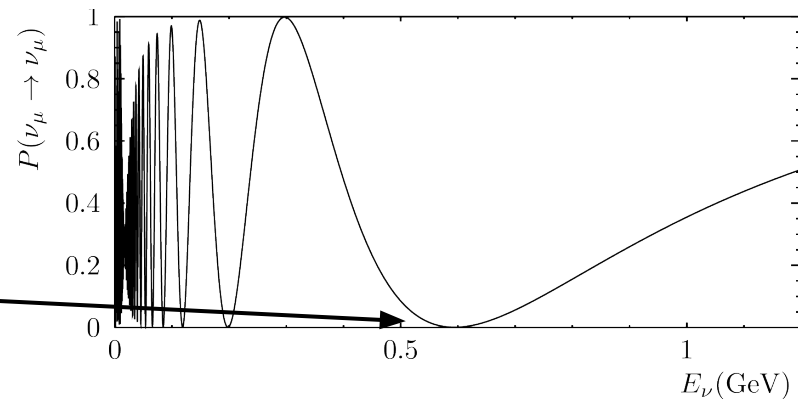


# Neutrino Flavor Change: Oscillation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Atmospheric}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Reactor}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Solar}} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Can re-parameterize PMNS matrix:
  - Mixing angles:  $C_{ij} = \cos(\theta_{ij})$
  - CP violating phase:  $0 < \delta_{CP} < 2\pi$
- To leading order, muon neutrino survival probability depends on **mixing angles**, and **mass-squared splittings**.
- Choose  $L/E$  so that for maximum effect  $\sin^2(\Delta m_{23}^2 L/4E) \simeq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) &\simeq 1 - 4\cos^2\theta_{13}\sin^2\theta_{23} \\
 &\times [1 - \cos^2\theta_{13}\sin^2\theta_{23}] \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \\
 &+ (\text{solar, matter effect terms})
 \end{aligned}$$



# Neutrino Flavor Change: Oscillation

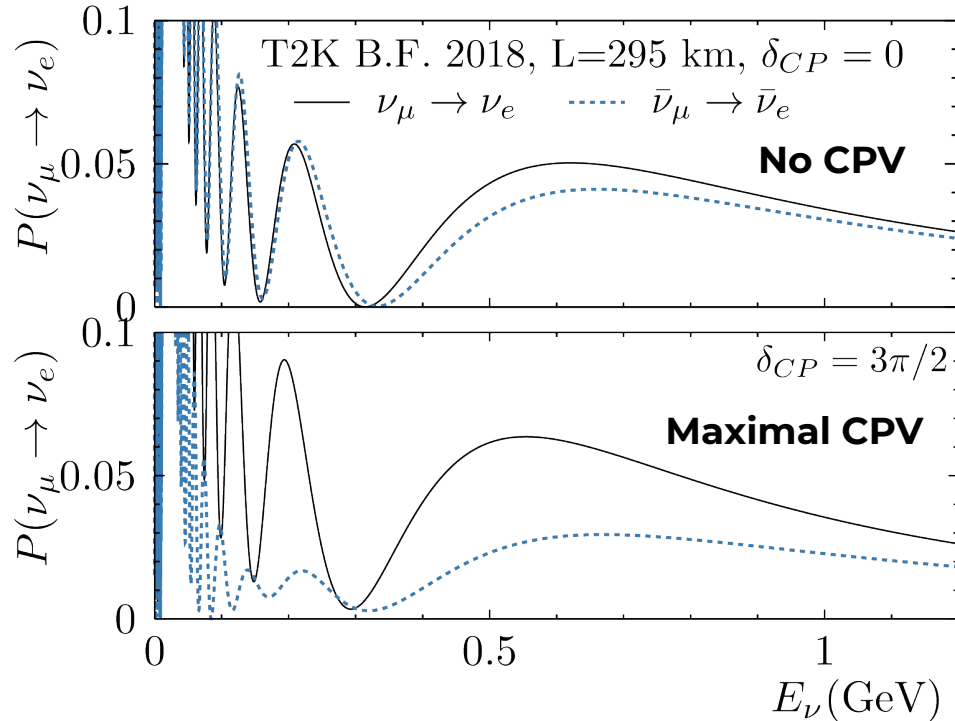
- Electron neutrino appearance probability has 'CP odd' term.
  - Sign flip between matter and antimatter.

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \simeq \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E}$$

$$(+)- \left[ \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{13} \cos \theta_{13} \right]$$

$$\times \sin \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \sin \delta_{CP}$$

+ (CP-even, solar, matter effect terms)



# Neutrino Oscillation: What Now?

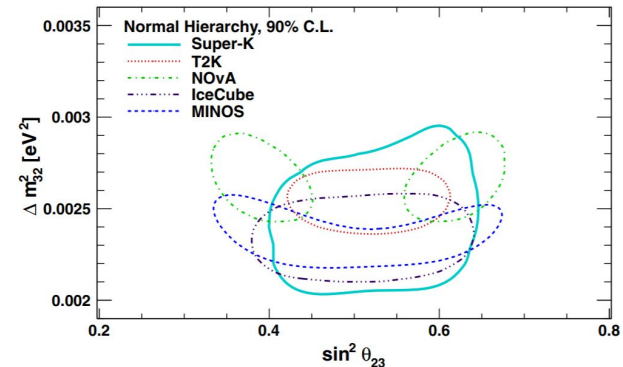
- Evidence for neutrino oscillation is overwhelming: *c.f.* 2015 Nobel Prize
- We know: all mixing angles and both mass-squared splittings  $\neq 0$ .
- **Search for CP violation in the neutrino sector**—*i.e.* measure  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$
- Most sensitive to  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$  when:
  - Mixing angles are known precisely
  - Mass ordering is known

## PDG 2018:

### Neutrino Masses, Mixing, and Oscillations

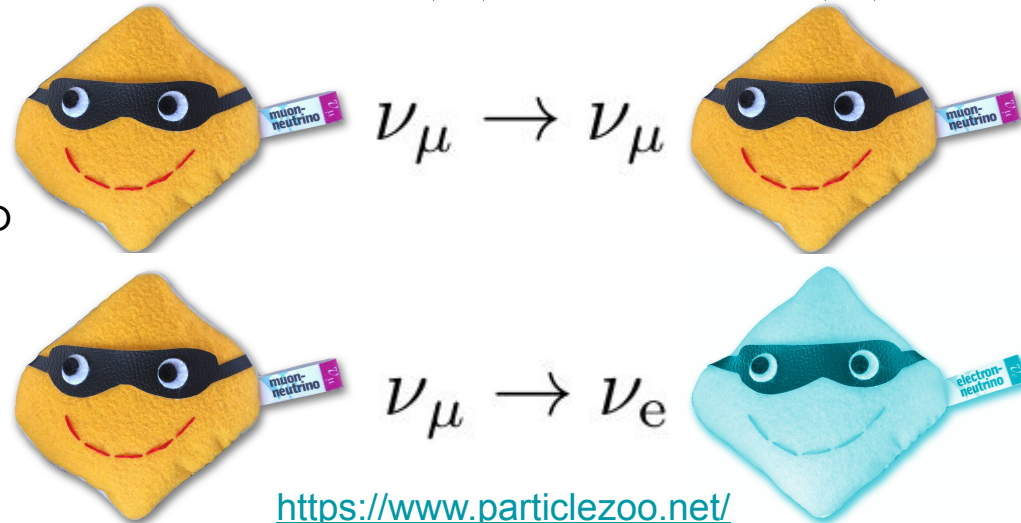
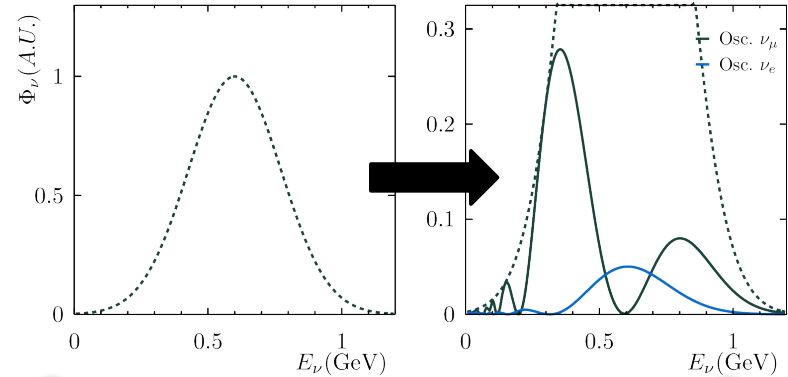
Parameter	best-fit	$3\sigma$
$\Delta m_{21}^2$ [ $10^{-5}$ eV <sup>2</sup> ]	7.37	6.93 – 7.96
$\Delta m_{31(23)}^2$ [ $10^{-3}$ eV <sup>2</sup> ]	2.56 (2.54)	2.45 – 2.69 (2.42 – 2.66)
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.297	0.250 – 0.354
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ , $\Delta m_{31(32)}^2 > 0$	0.425	0.381 – 0.615
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ , $\Delta m_{32(31)}^2 < 0$	0.589	0.384 – 0.636
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ , $\Delta m_{31(32)}^2 > 0$	0.0215	0.0190 – 0.0240
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ , $\Delta m_{32(31)}^2 < 0$	0.0216	0.0190 – 0.0242
$\delta/\pi$	1.38 (1.31)	$2\sigma$ : (1.0 - 1.9) $(2\sigma$ : (0.92-1.88))

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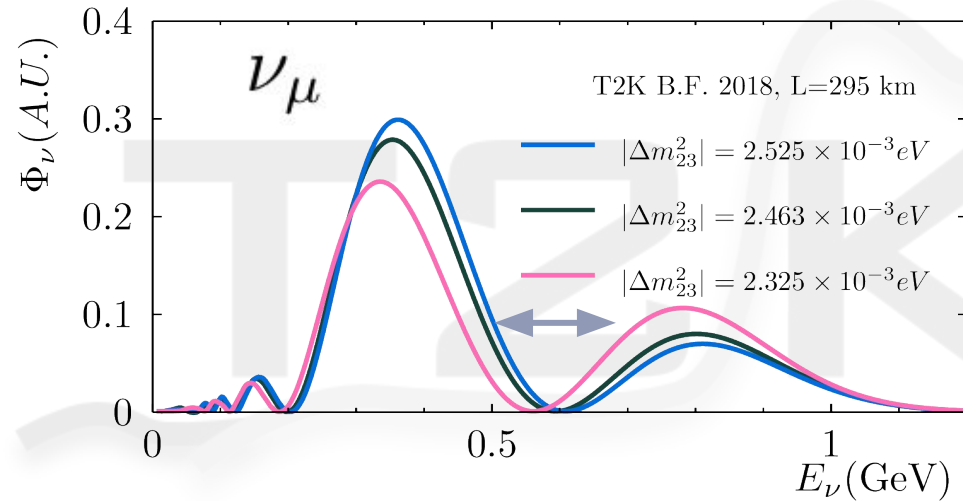


# Long Baseline Oscillation: Channels

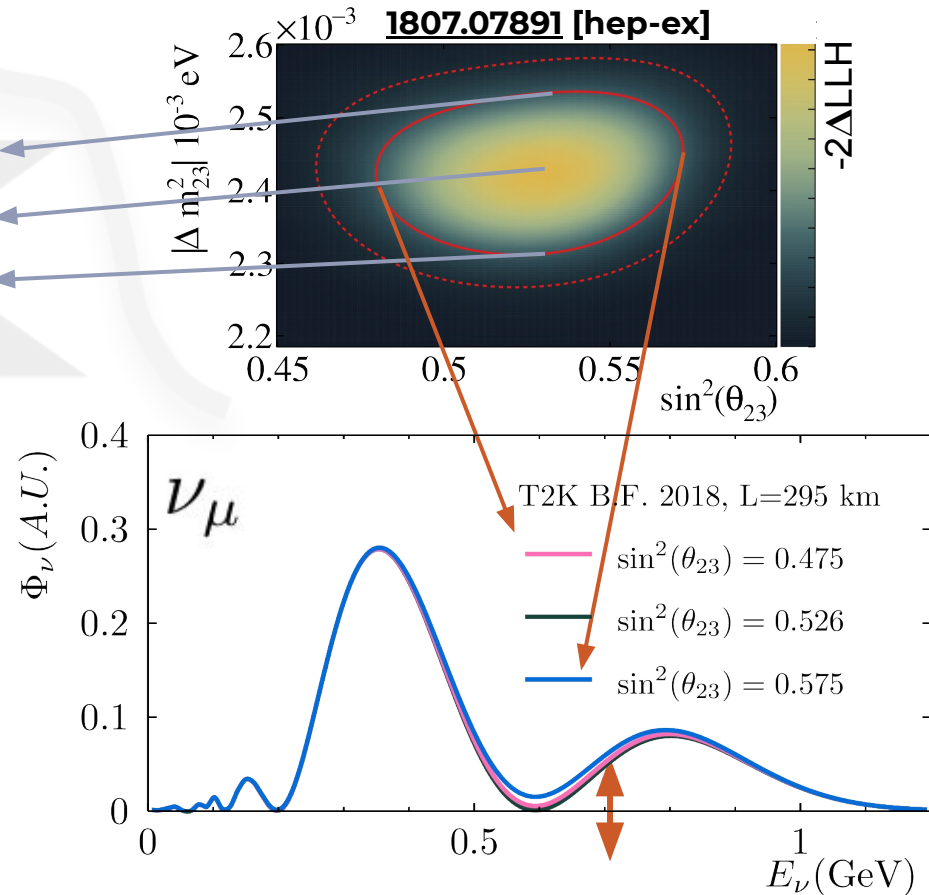
- Accelerator neutrino beams are mostly muon (anti)neutrinos.
  - Electron-flavor final states from pion decays strongly helicity suppressed.
- T2K beam is not high enough energy to produce  $\tau^\mp$ 
  - $\nu_\tau$  invisible
- Study two channels, each in two beam modes:
  - $\nu_\mu$  disappearance
  - $\nu_e$  appearance



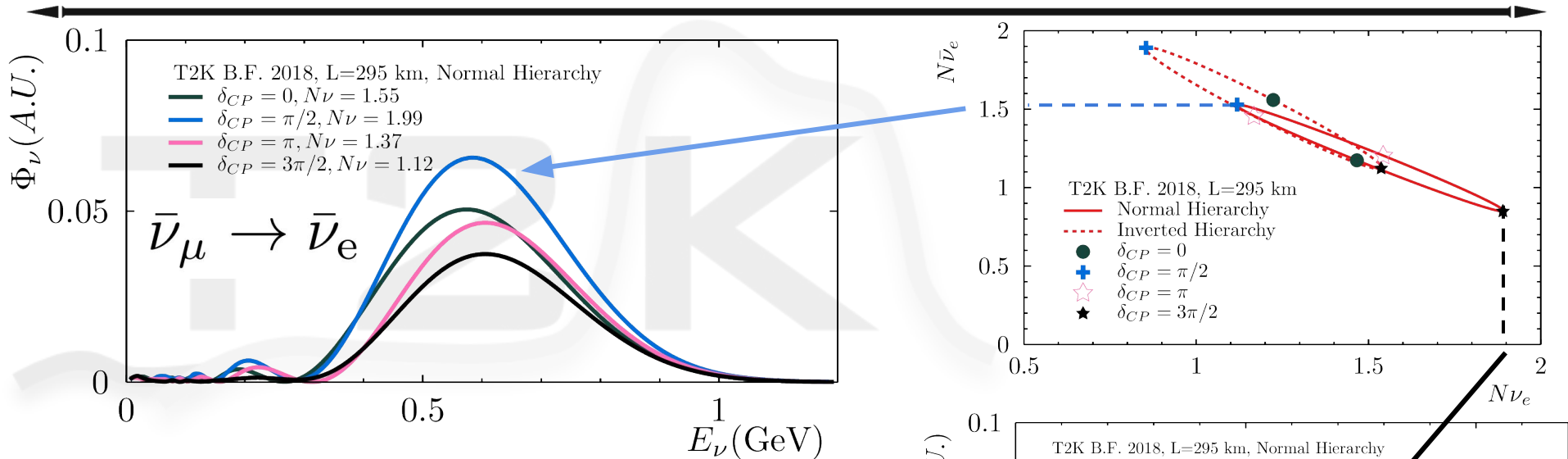
# Oscillation Channel: Disappearance



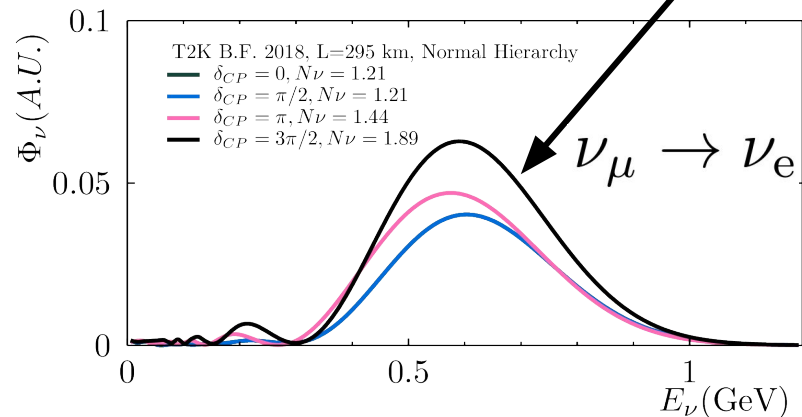
- Sensitivity to parameters comes from **position** and **depth** of first oscillation maximum.



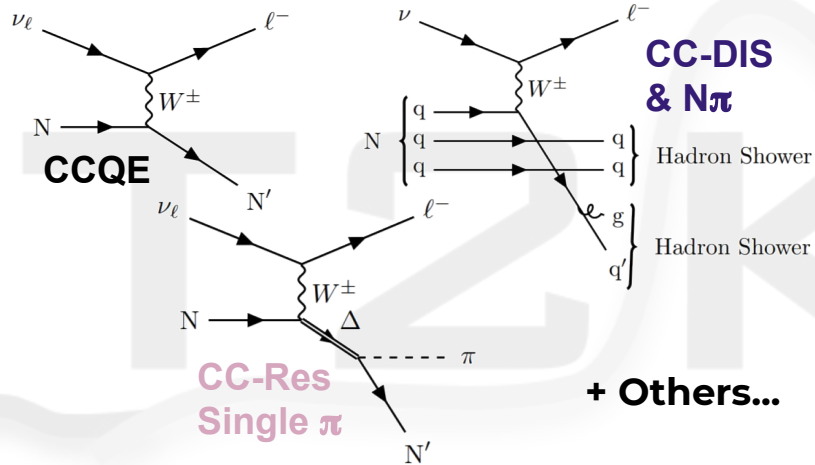
# Oscillation Channel: Appearance



- Most sensitive to  $\delta_{CP}$  if:
  - Know hierarchy
  - Know disappearance parameters well
  - Measure in both beam modes:  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$   
 $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$

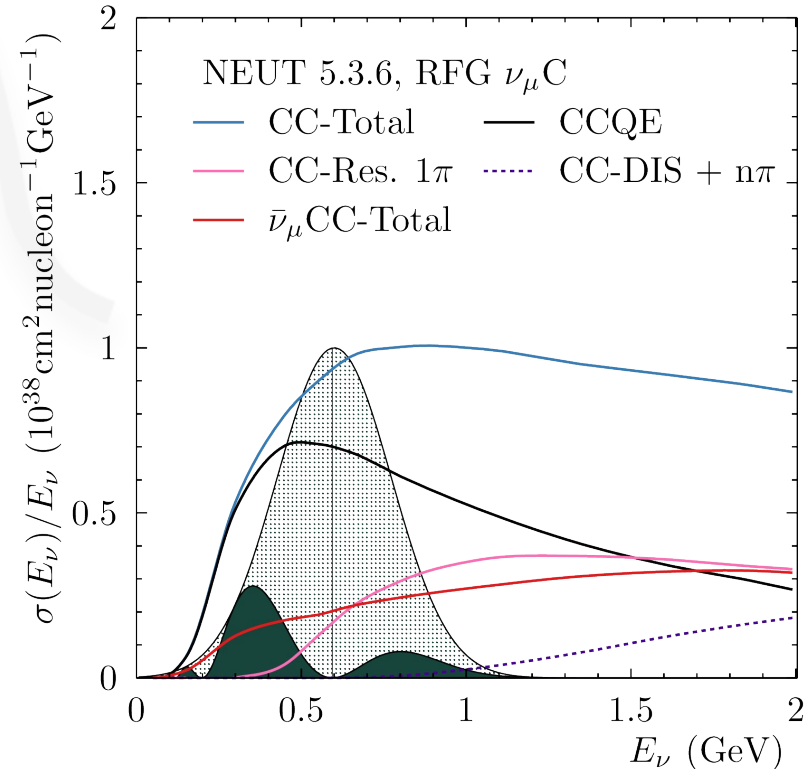


# Measuring Oscillations: Interactions



- **But**, don't observe the flux: see final states of neutrino--matter interactions.
- Problematic energy range required by  $L/E$ .
- **Antineutrino** cross-section  $\sim 1/3$  neutrino.

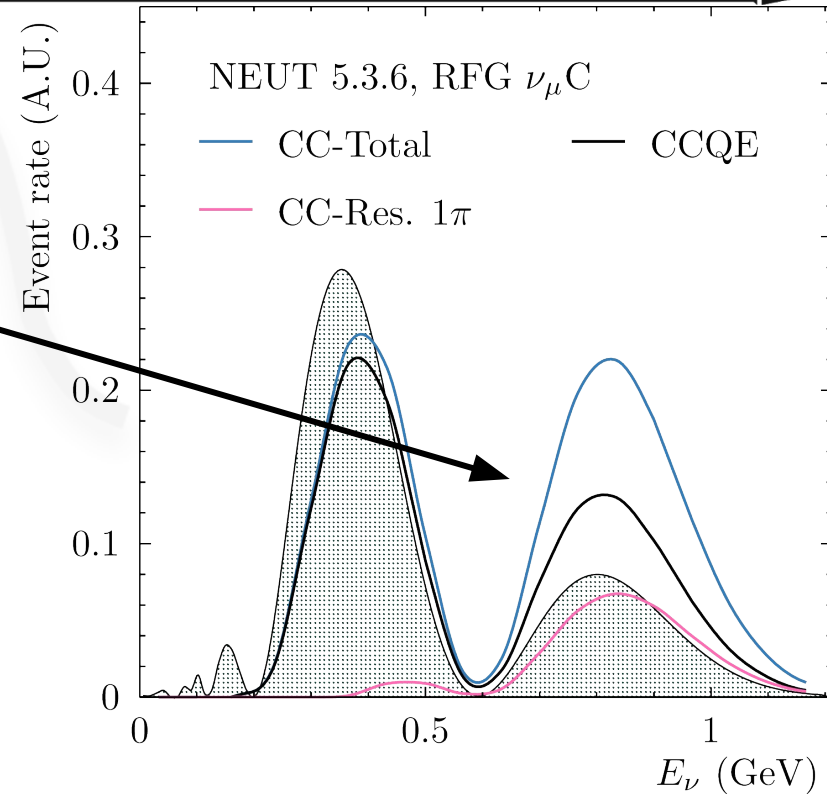
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# Measuring Oscillations: Events

- Cross-section is non-linear near process 'turn on':
  - Event spectrum shape differs from flux shape in a non-trivial way.
- $E_\nu$  spectrum of interacting neutrinos still has characteristic oscillation shape:
  - If flux and cross-sections are well understood we can infer oscillation probabilities.

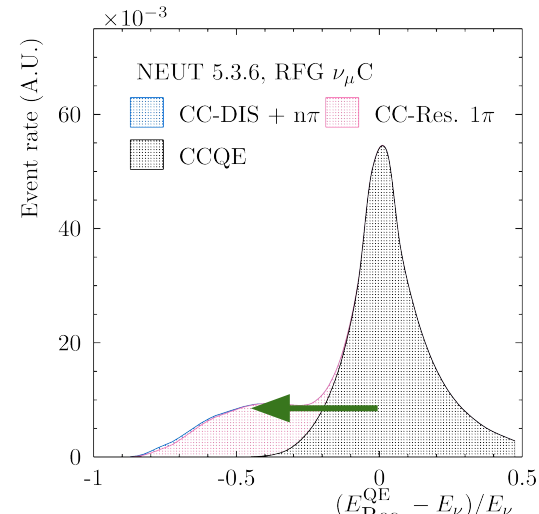
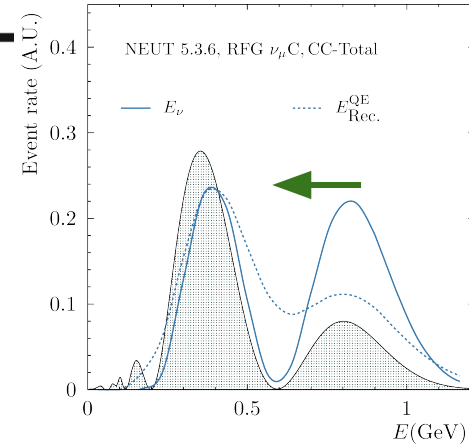


# Measuring Oscillations: Observables

- **But**, don't observe  $E_\nu$  ...
- Reconstruct from observables:
  - Can look for oscillation signature in any observable, but some  $E_{\text{rec}}$  is most intuitive
  - e.g.

$$E_{\text{rec}}^{\text{QE}} = \frac{2M_N E_\ell - M_\ell^2 + M_{N'}^2 - M_N^2}{2(M_N - E_\ell + |\vec{p}_\ell| \cos(\theta_\ell))}$$

- Unbiased energy reconstruction from just charged lepton for **true CCQE** events only:
  - Any **non-CCQE** get significant  $E_{\text{rec}}$  bias.
- Can only infer oscillation probabilities correctly if '**feed down**' is well modelled.



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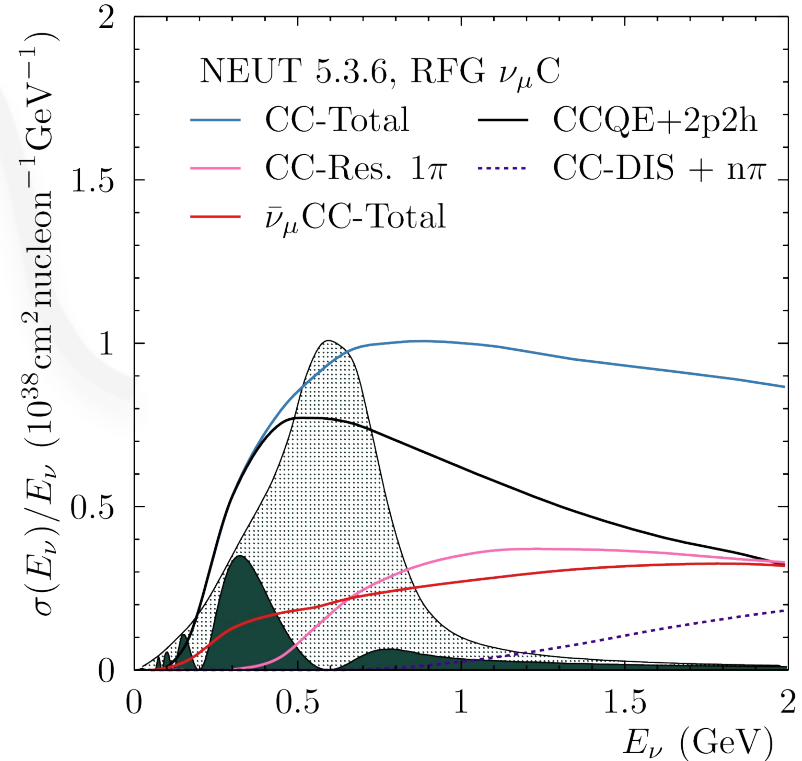
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# Neutrino–Matter Interactions

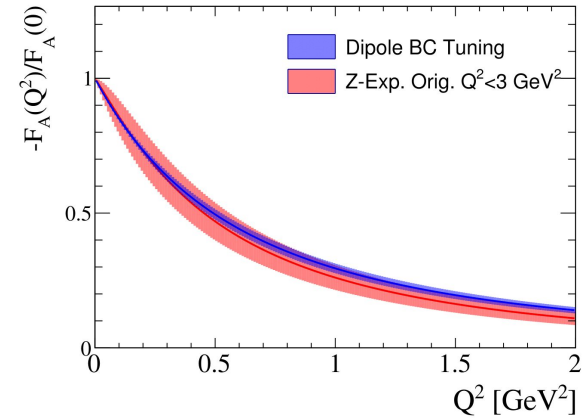
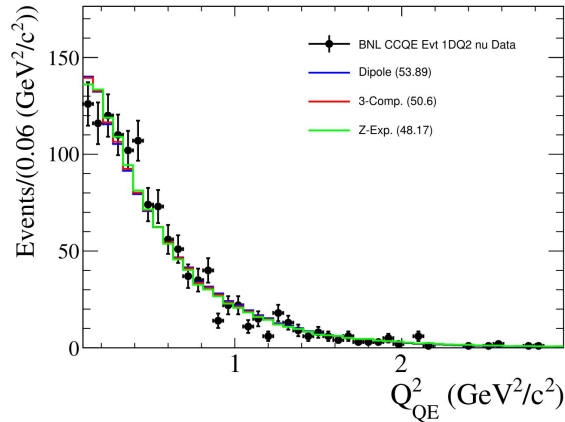
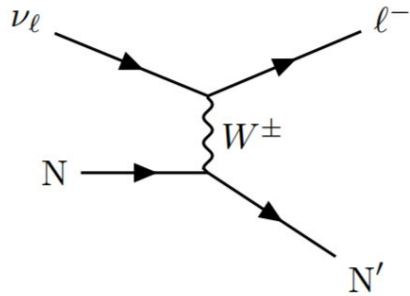


# What's Important for T2K

- Analyses rely strongly on the modelling of  $E_\nu \leftrightarrow E_{\text{Rec.}}$ .
- Turns out nuclear physics is hard:
  - CCQE Axial form-factor
  - W-propagator screening
  - Multi-nucleon processes (2p2h)
  - Final state interactions (e.g.  $\pi$  absorption)
  - Nuclear potential
- On T2K: Focus on modelling  $0\pi$  final states:
  - Mostly from CCQE+2p2h and  $1\pi$  production with 'stuck' pion.



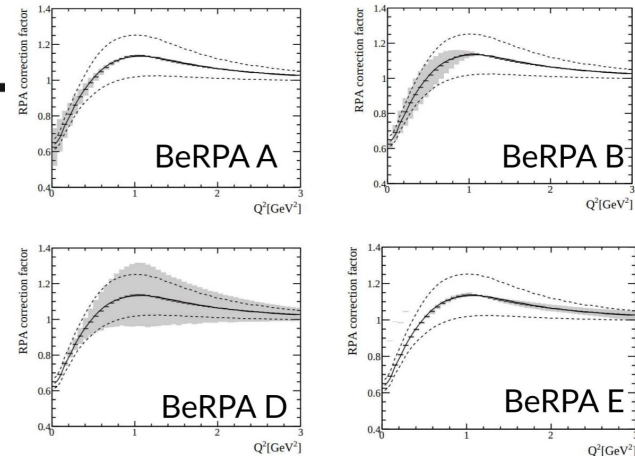
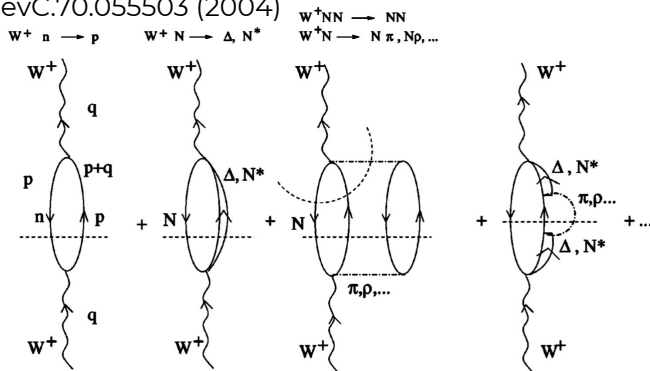
# CCQE Axial form factor



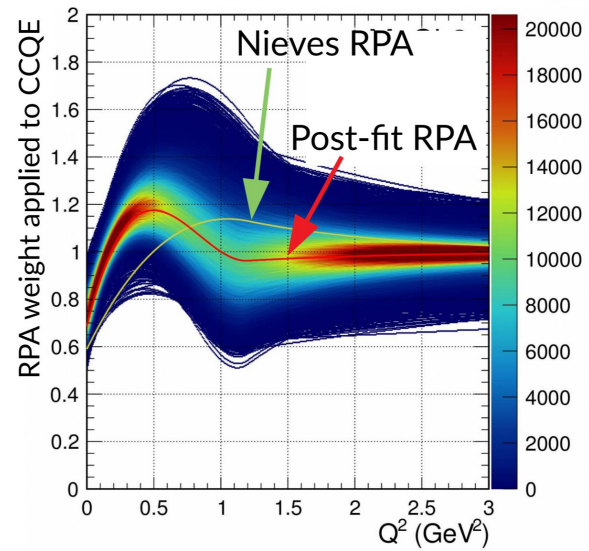
- Fit nucleon-level processes to historic bubble chamber data
  - ~ Free from nuclear effects.
- Dipole form is often used for the Axial form factor,  $F_A(Q^2) = F_A(0) / (1 + Q^2/M_A^2)^2$ 
  - Single free parameter  $M_A$ : Strong constraint at low  $Q^2$  causes over constraint at high  $Q^2$ .
- Model-independent parameterizations allow better description of the uncertainty: Phys. Rev. D **84**, 073006 (2011)
  - Aim to include in T2K OA 2019.

# 'RPA': W Propagator Screening

PhysRevC.70.055503 (2004)

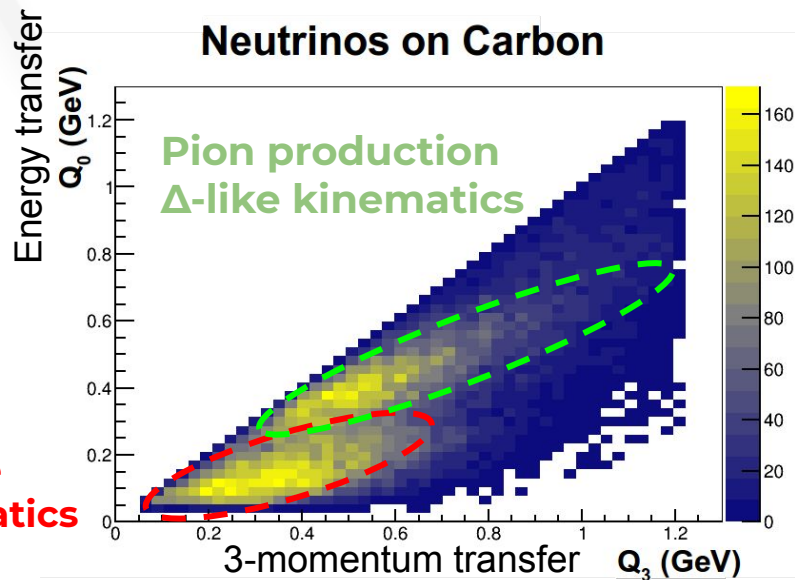
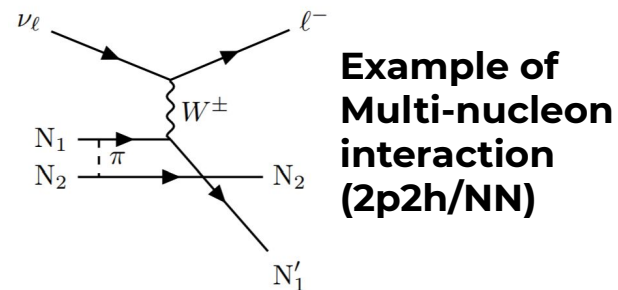


- CCQE suppression from nuclear screening of W-propagator.
- T2K parameterize uncertainty as piecewise 1D function in  $Q^2$ .
  - Post-fit shape doesn't resemble calculation shape...
- Theoreticians not in agreement that RPA is so important with better nuclear model: c.f. GiBUU



# Multi-nucleon Interactions

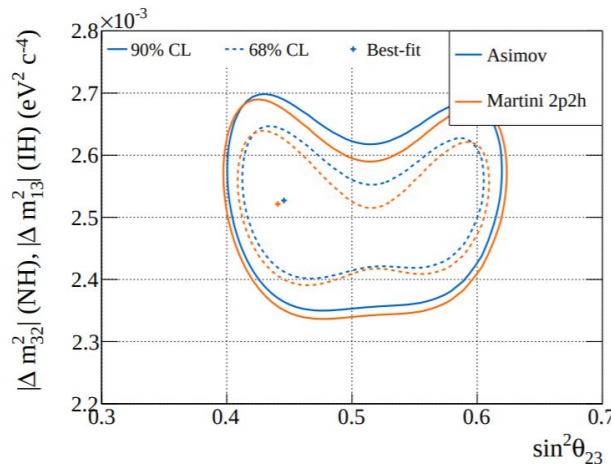
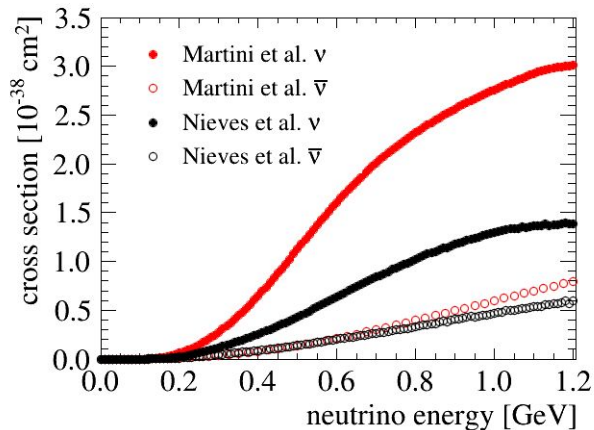
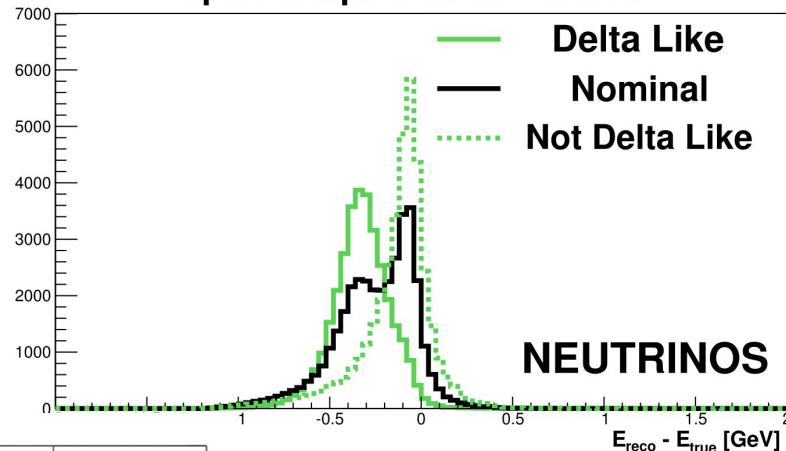
- Scattering from bound nucleon-nucleon pairs within the nucleus: **different  $E_{\nu} \leftrightarrow E_{Rec.}$**
- Not possible to study in isolation, will always also have:
  - True CCQE
  - CC1pi with missed pion
  - Other nuclear effects
- Current multi-nucleon models improve experimental agreement, but some way still to go.



# Effect on Oscillation Analysis

- Want to check how biased the results might be if the wrong multi-nucleon model was chosen:
  - Assign uncertainty to QE-like/ $\Delta$ -like nature of multi-nucleon interaction.
  - Run oscillation analysis with 'fake data' generated with an alternate model.

2p2h Shape Dial on Carbon

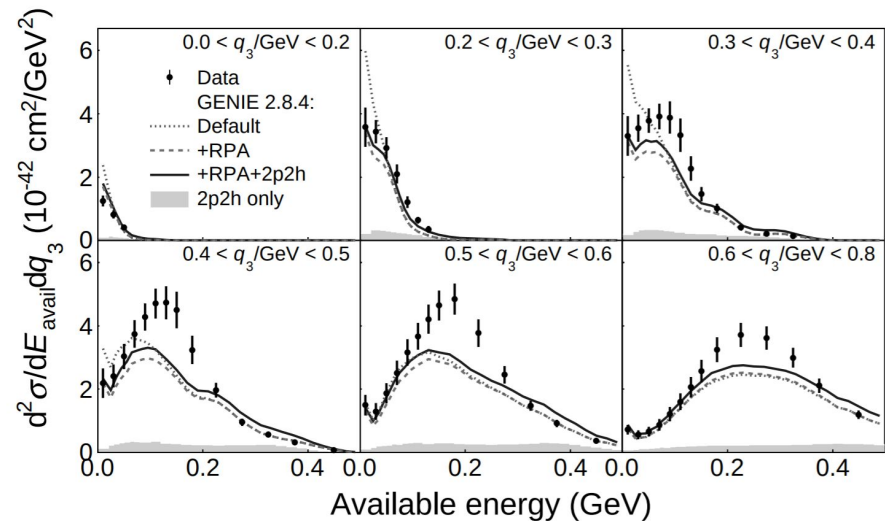
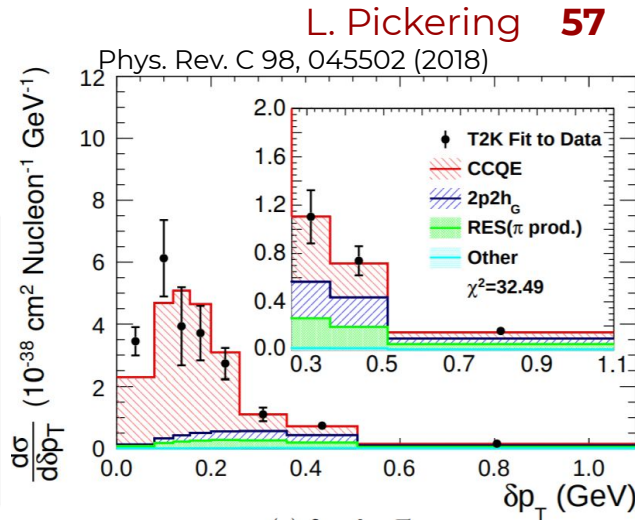
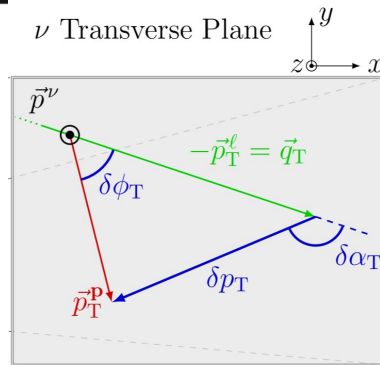


**Near detector fit prefers between nominal and  $\Delta$ -like**



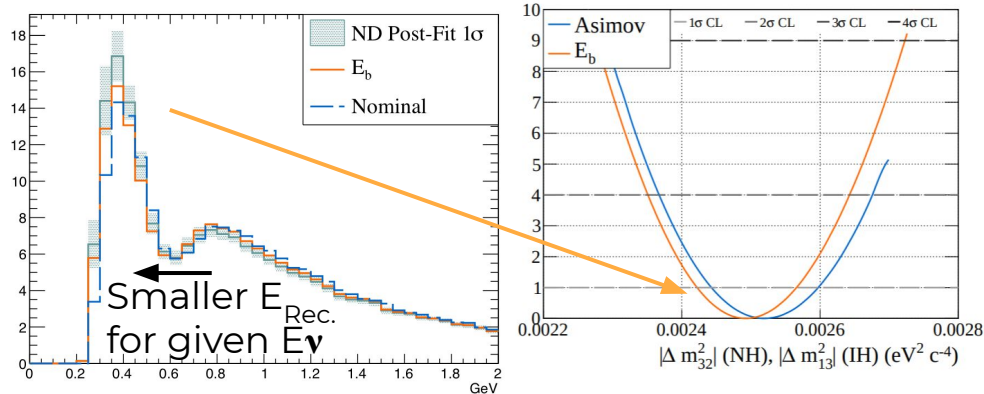
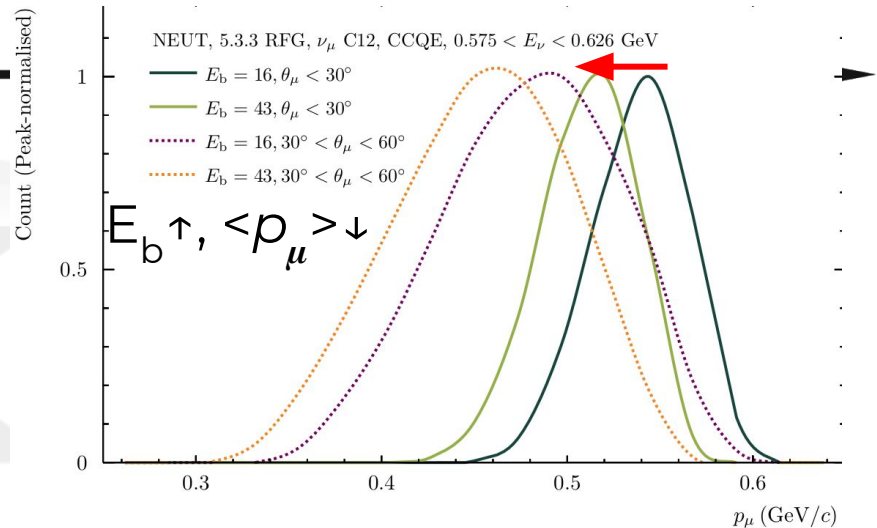
# Lepton-Hadron Correlations

- Investigate lepton-hadron correlations.
- Two recent approaches:
  - Transverse imbalance
  - $q_0/q_3$  reconstruction
- Hard to use directly in OA:
  - Existing models can't be bent to fit with current freedom...
  - Build 'fake data' informed by these results and use to test OA robustness.



# Binding Energy

- Energy associated with liberating struck nucleon from nuclear potential
- A. Bodek's re-analysis found that the default NEUT value was poor [arXiv:1801.0797]
- For 2018 T2K OA, a fit to mock-data with a large shift in  $E_b$  was used to assess uncertainty
  - Largest single source of error.
- In the future, a smaller prior from A. Bodek's analysis will be used.



(b)  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  with reactor constraint

# Baby-MIND

