

T2K neutrino and anti-neutrino oscillation results

- T2K (Tokai to Kamioka)
- ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance search
- ν_e appearance and δ_{CP}
- T2K-II
- The future

★ PRL Editor's Choice paper with the 2017 analysis PRL **121**, 171802 (2018)

★ Results also available from Neutrino 2018: “T2K Status, Results, and Plans”, Talk at XXVIII International Conference on Neutrino Physics and Astrophysics, 4-9 June 2018, Heidelberg, Germany, DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.1286751, URL: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1286751>



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T2K (Tokai to Kamioka)

- J-PARC beam

• ν_{μ}

- Near detectors:

• INGRID

on-axis

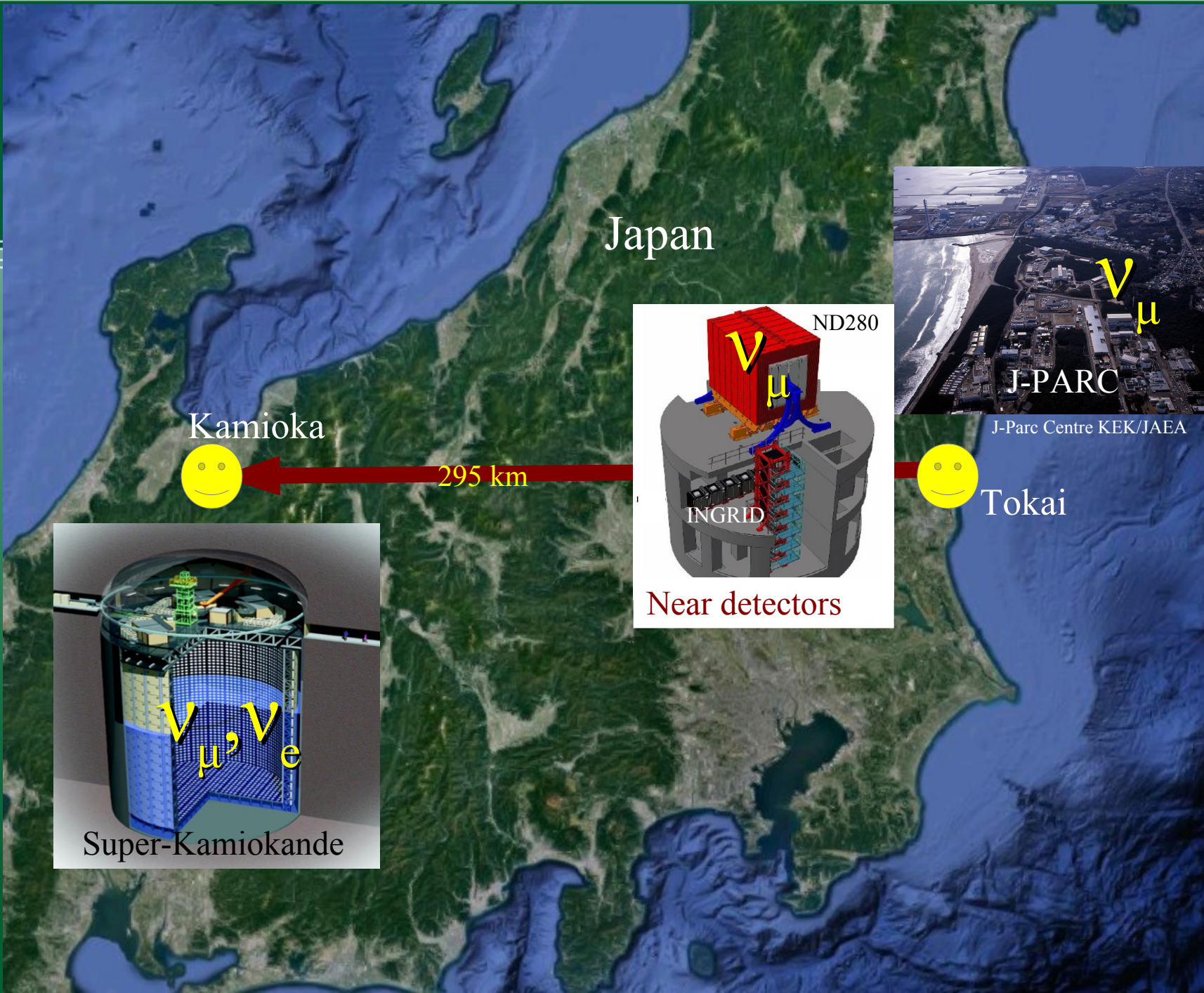
• ND280

off-axis

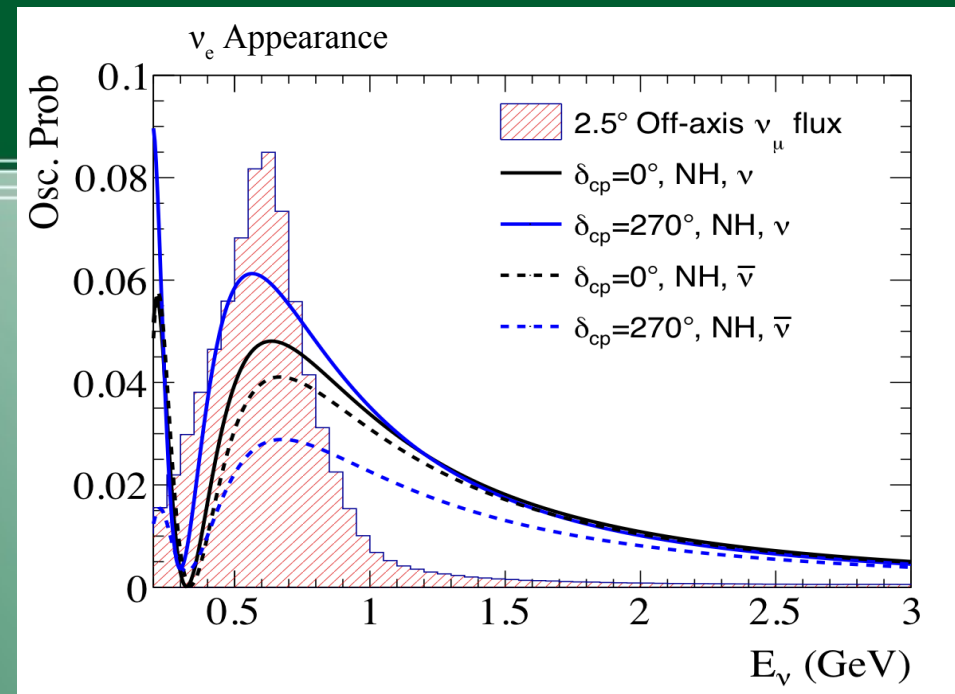
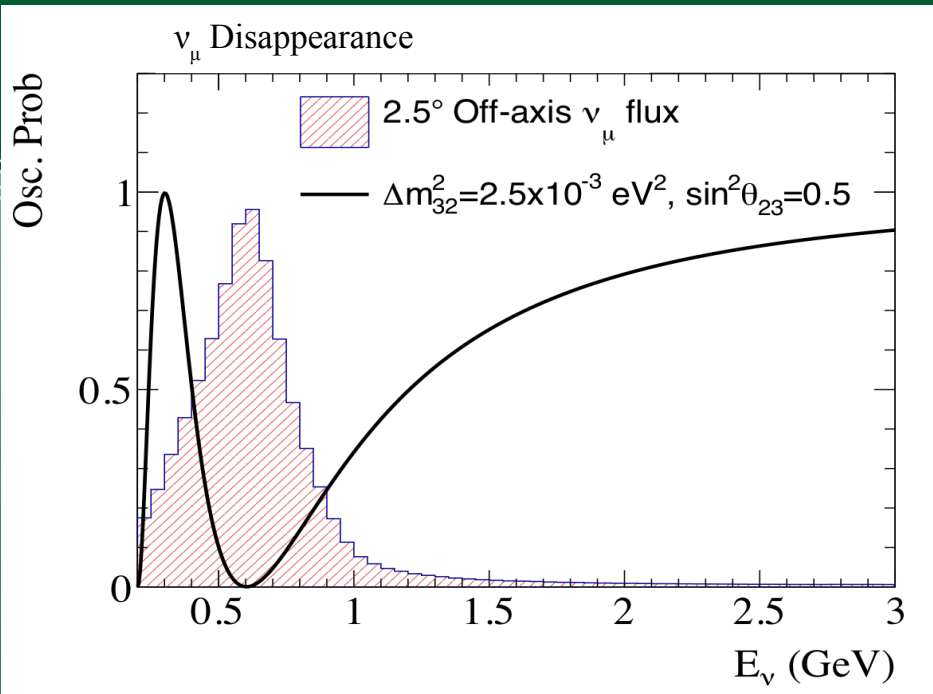
- Far detector:

• SK

off-axis

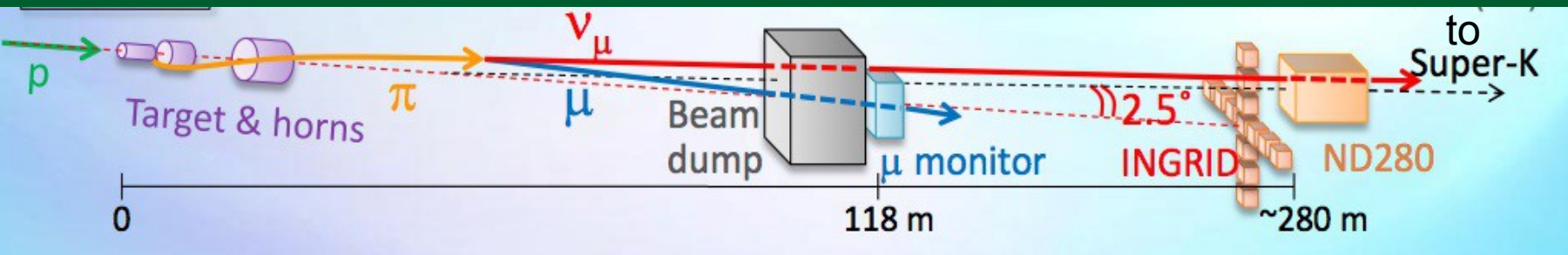


Oscillations at T2K

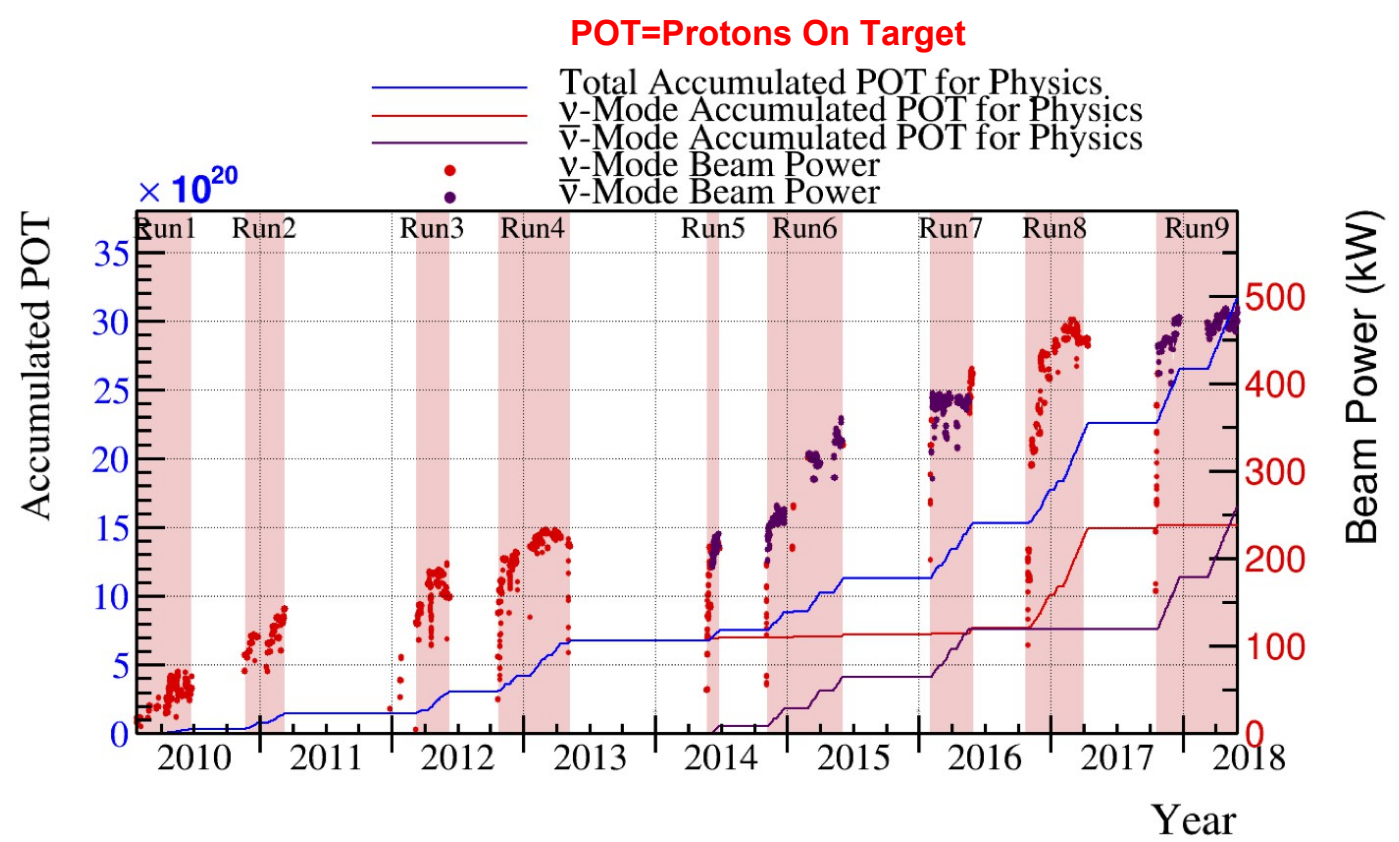


- Tests CPT symmetry
- Leading order dependence on $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$
 - hard to distinguish $\theta_{23} > 45^\circ$ from $\theta_{23} < 45^\circ$
- Leading order dependence on $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$
 - doesn't depend on sign of mass splitting
- Tests CP symmetry
- Leading order dependence on $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}, \sin^2 \theta_{23}$
 - can separate $\theta_{23} > 45^\circ$ from $\theta_{23} < 45^\circ$
- Sub-leading dependence on $\sin(\delta_{CP})$
 - can detect CP violation (~27% effect)
- Sub-leading dependence on $\pm \Delta m^2_{32}$
 - ~10% matter effect

The T2K beam



- Primarily ν_μ beam from $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$ (forward horn current, FHC, or neutrino-mode)
- Reverse polarity for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ beam: $\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ (reverse horn current, RHC, or antineutrino-mode)



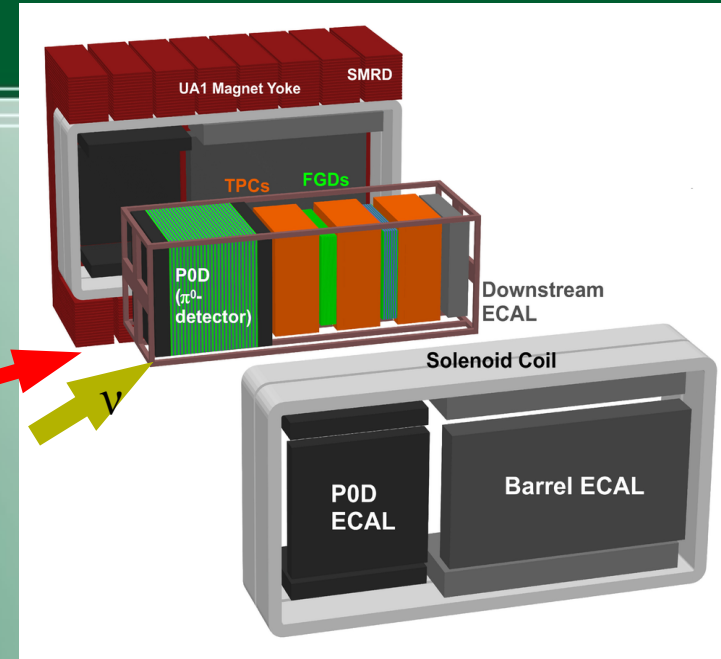
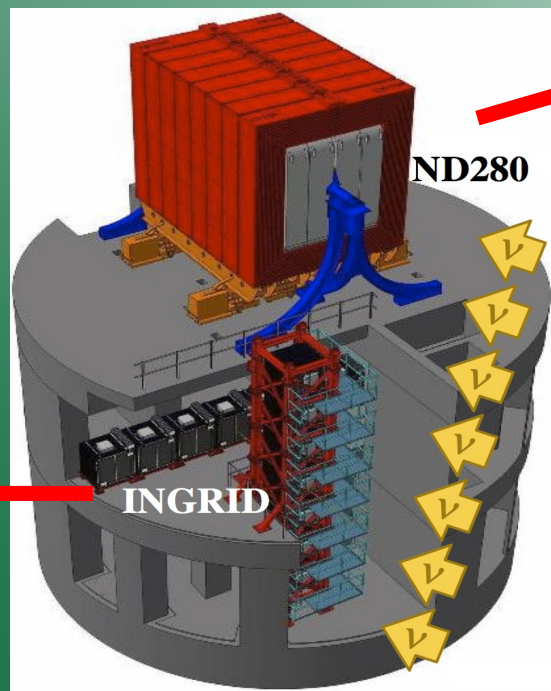
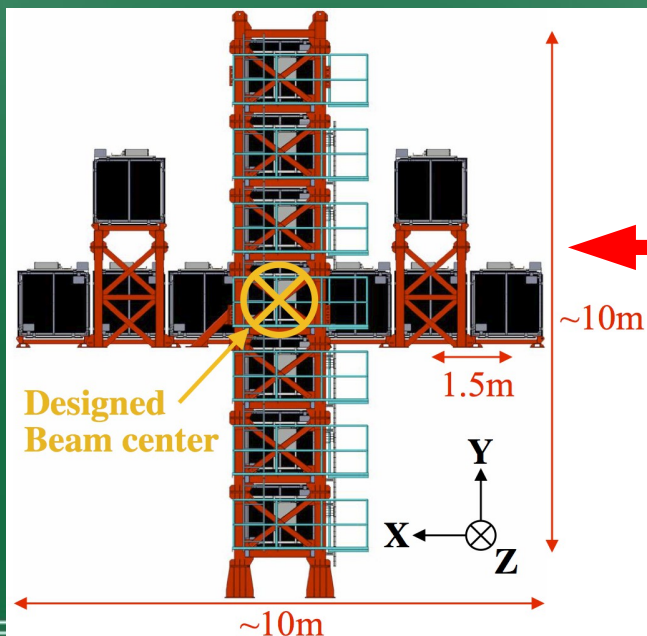
23 Jan. 2010 – 31 May 2018
 POT total: 3.16×10^{21}

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

Near detectors

INGRID

- 7x7 (+2) identical modules
- Iron and plastic scintillator tracking calorimeter
- Monitors ν , $\bar{\nu}$ beam direction and stability

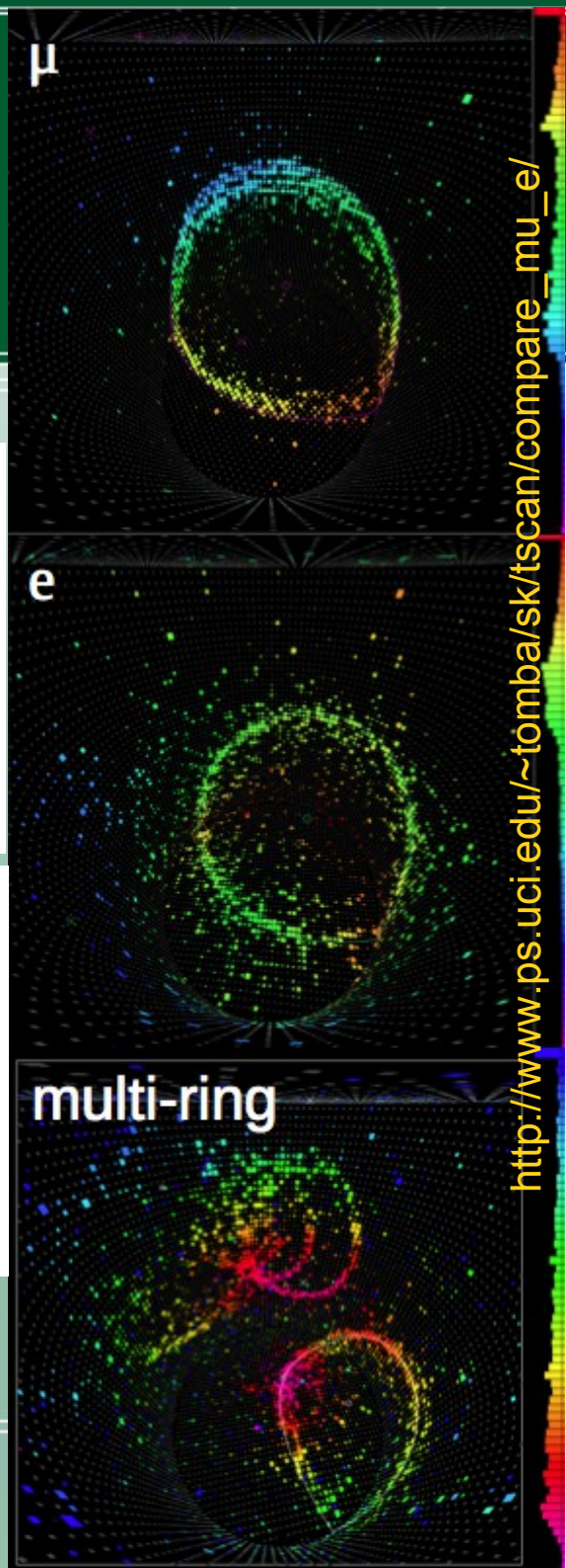
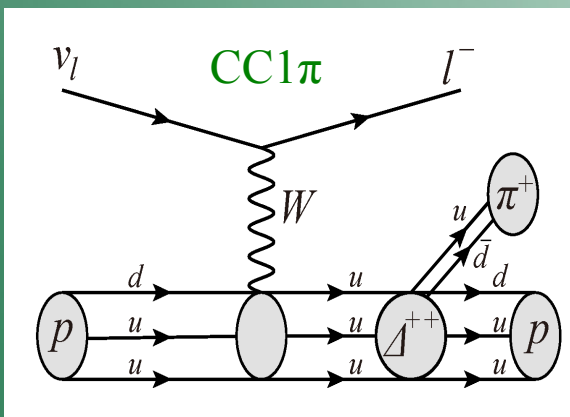
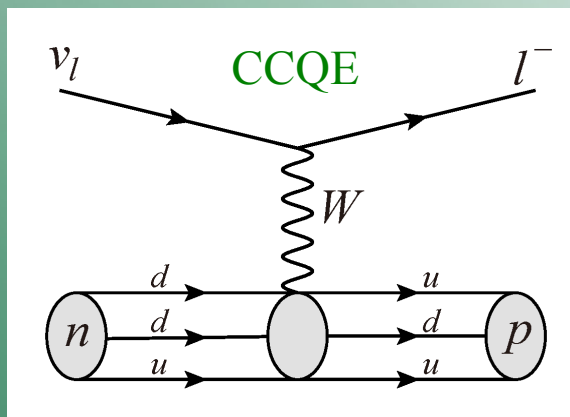


ND280

- Off-axis (2.5°) detector
- 0.2 T magnet
- Trackers, calorimeters, muon range detectors
- Water, carbon, lead, targets.
- Beam ν_e , flux, cross sections, exotics

Far detector: Super-Kamiokande

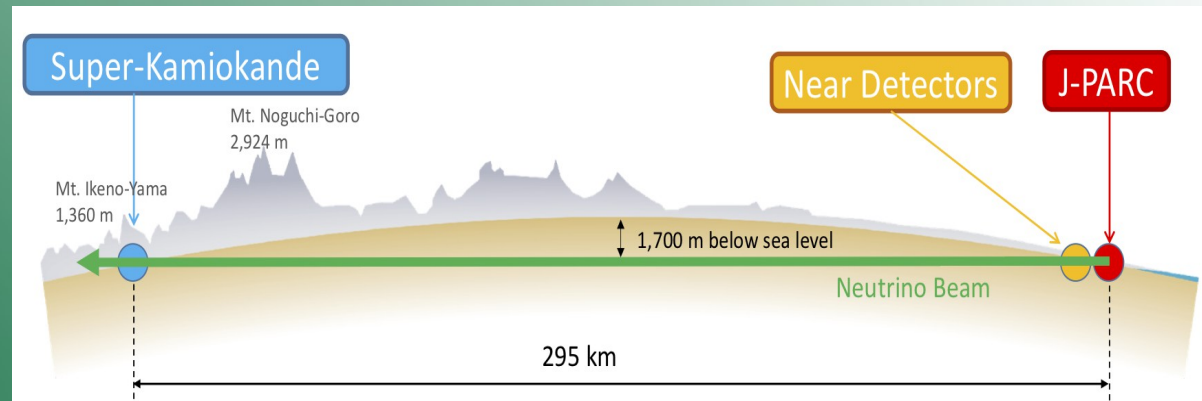
- 50 kton Water-Cherenkov detector
- 2.5° off axis (same as ND280)
- Excellent e/μ separation, π^0 rejection
- Select 1-ring, CCQE-enriched sample
- Select $CC1\pi^+$ sample (ν_e appearance)
- ν kinematics derived from lepton



http://www.ps.uci.edu/~tomba/sk/tscan/compare_mu_e/

T2K oscillation analysis overview

- Measure N events
- Compare events observed at near and far detectors
- Extract oscillation probability

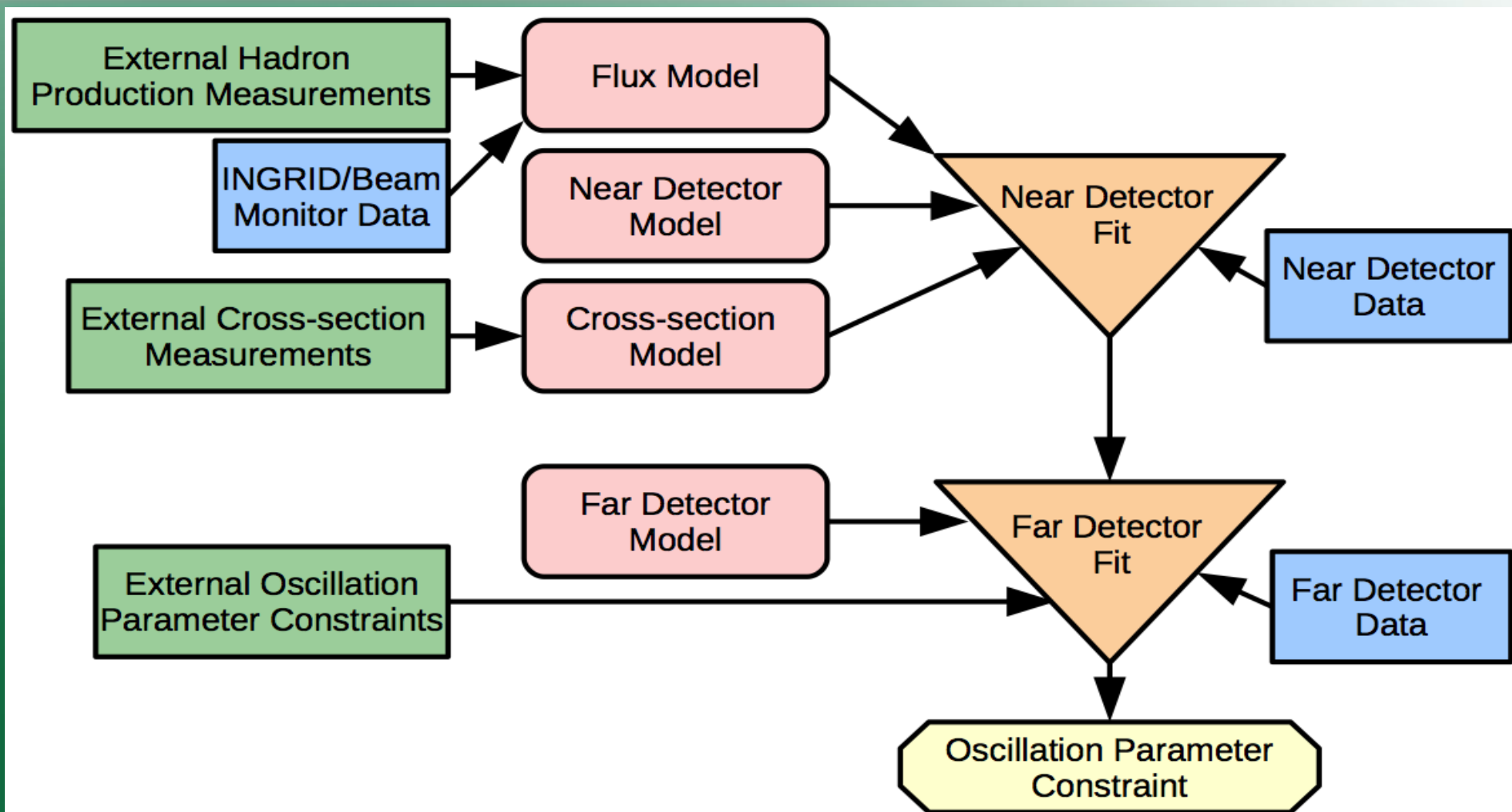


$$N_{\text{ND}} \sim \Phi_{\text{ND}} \cdot \sigma_{\text{ND}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{ND}}$$

Observable Flux Cross section Detector response

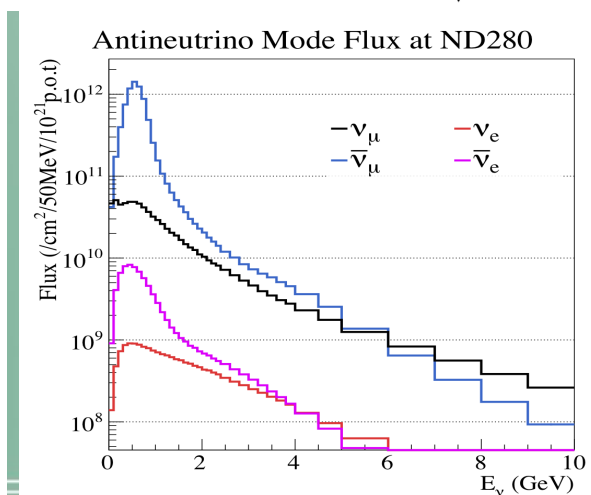
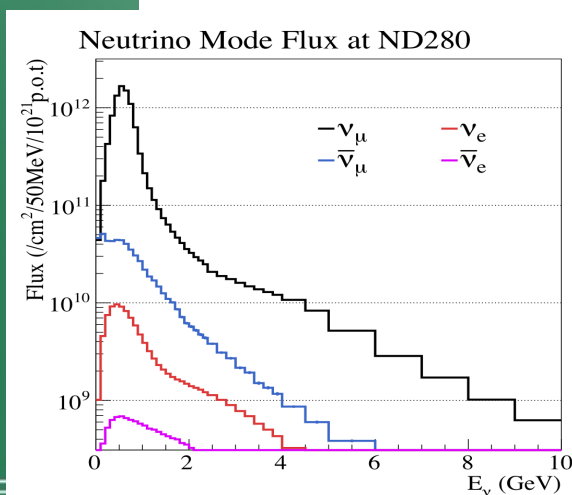
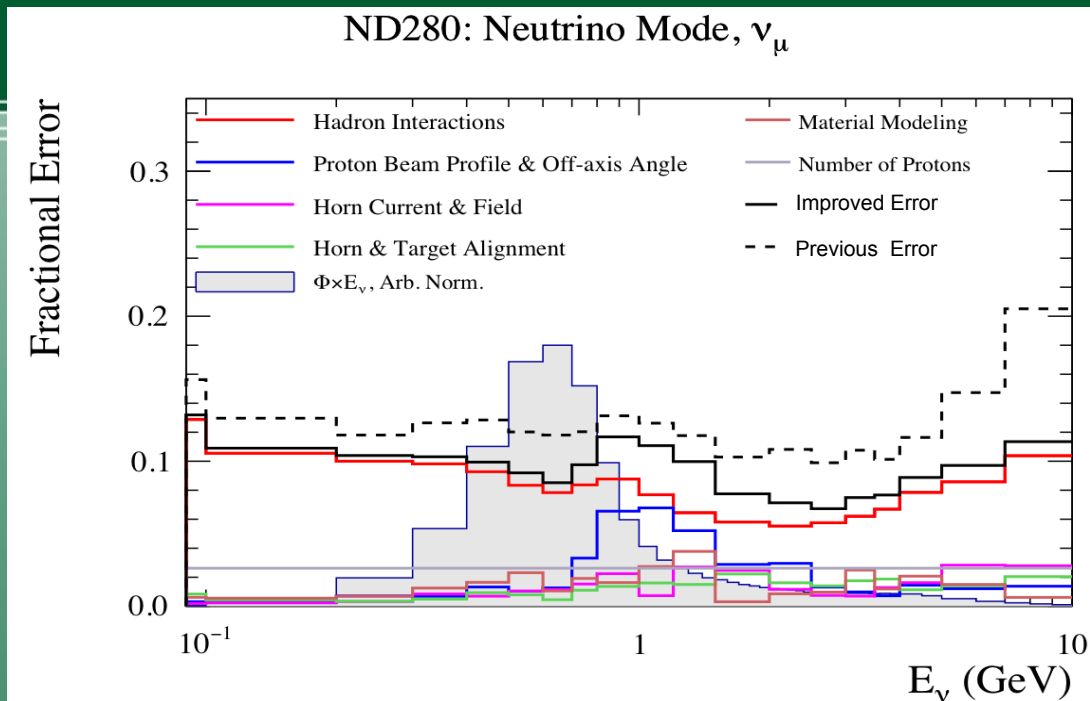
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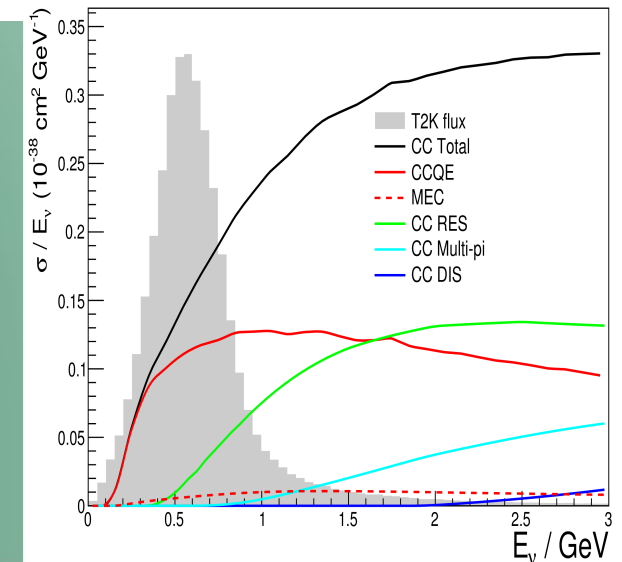
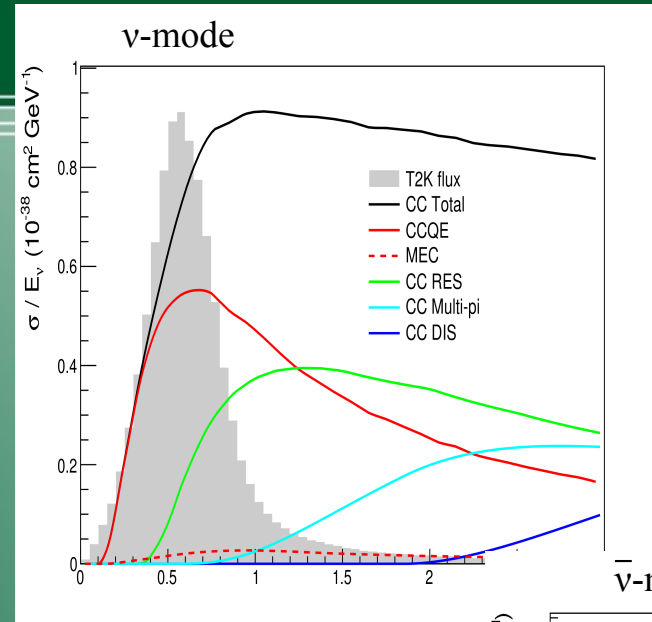
Flux prediction and uncertainties

- Flux simulation (FLUKA/GEANT3/ GCALOR)
- Tuned using external data (NA61/SHINE hadron production measurements)
- Intrinsic ν_e component $\sim 0.5\%$ at flux peak



Cross-section model

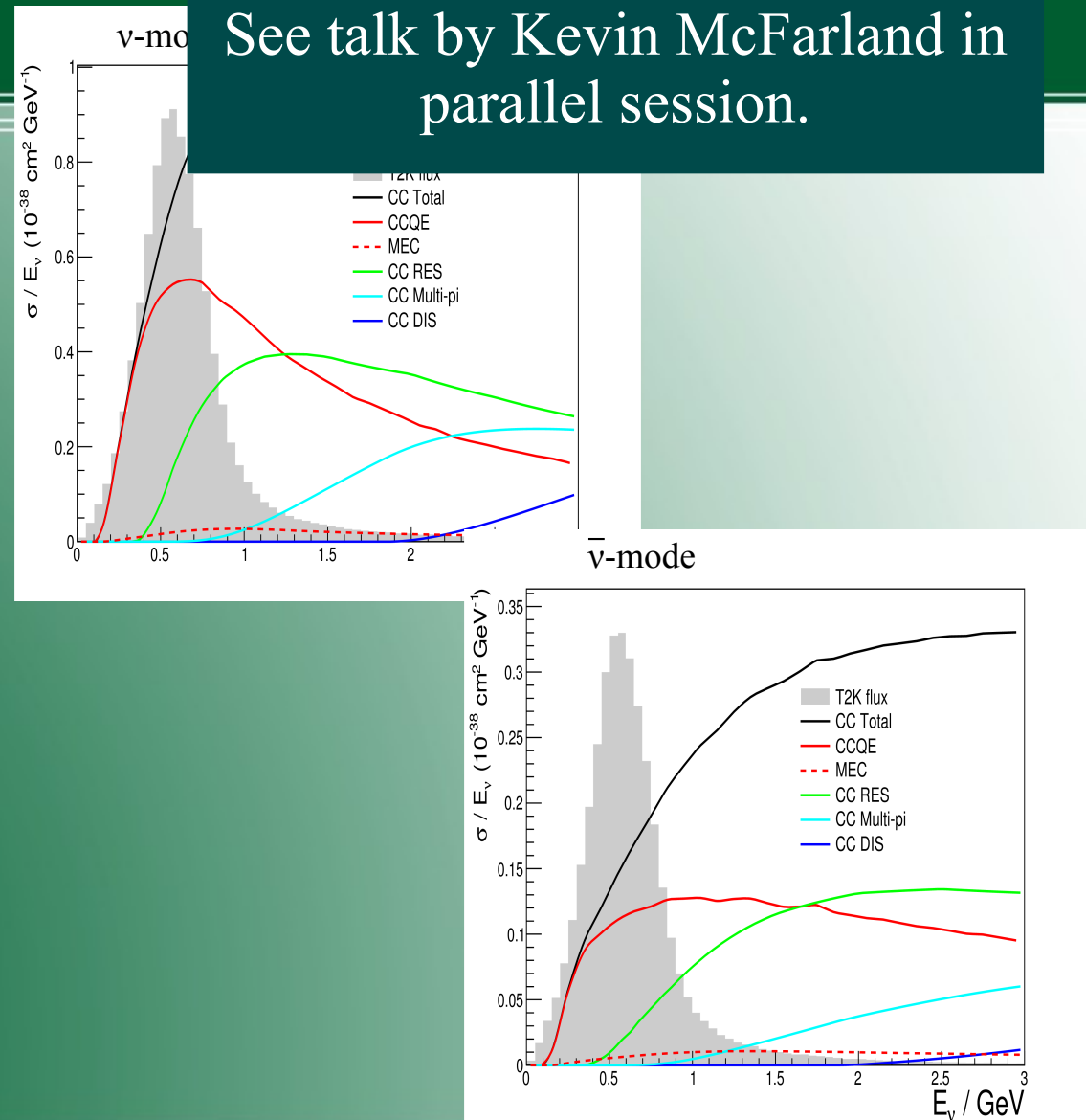
- NEUT generator tuned to external data from MiniBooNE, MINERvA, bubble chambers, etc
- Examples:
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 - CC-RES: pion reinteractions inside the nucleus



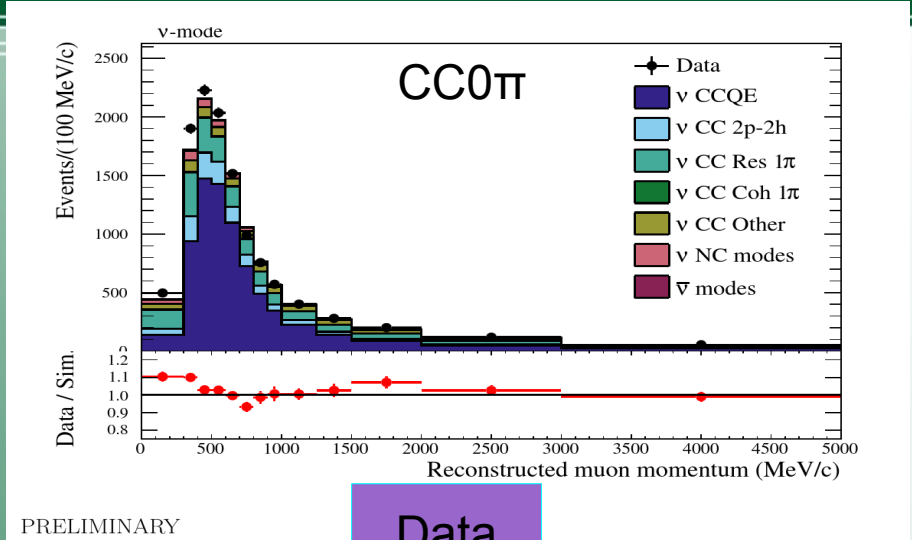
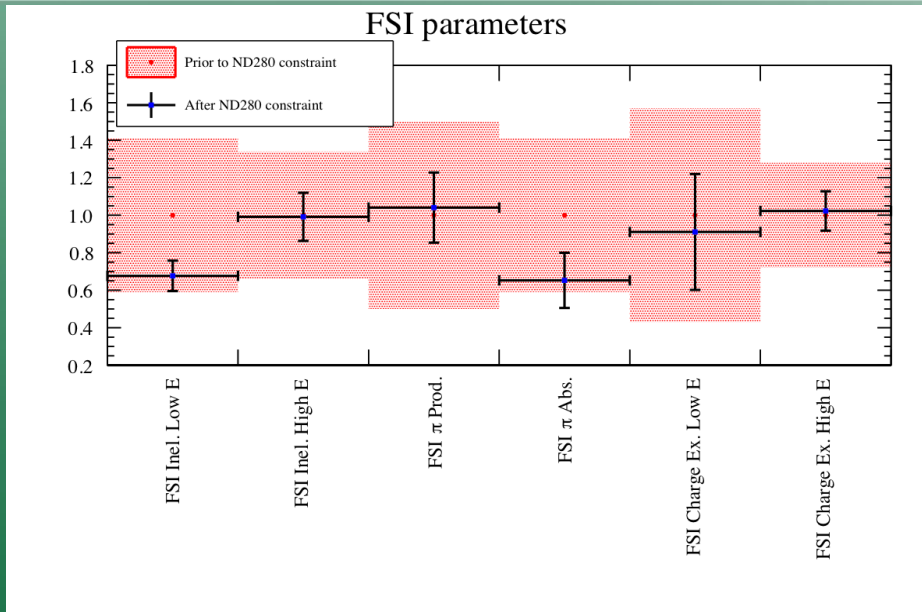
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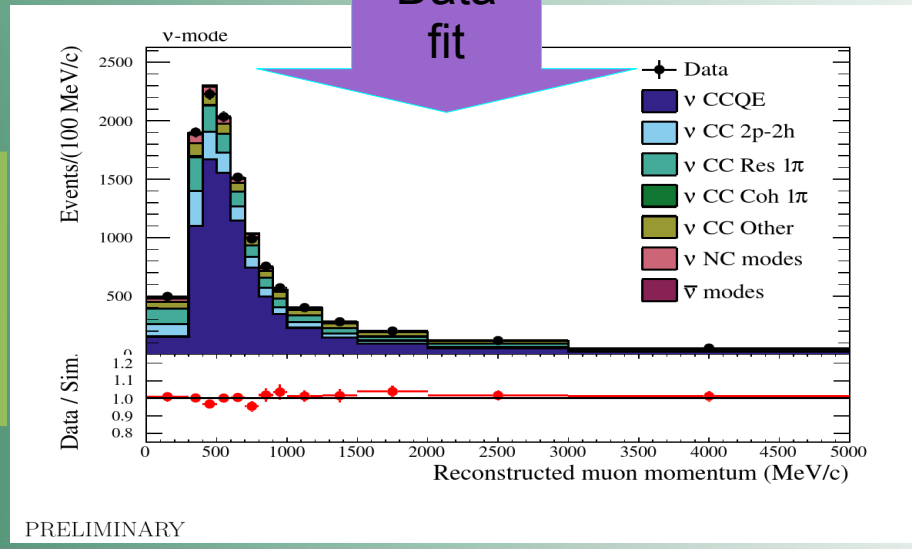
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ND280 data fitting and constraints



- Showing only 1 (CC0 π) of 14 ND280 data samples: 6 samples in ν -mode and 8 in $\bar{\nu}$ -mode
- Fit tunes ~ 780 parameters (showing only FSI cross-section parameters)



Joint analysis with ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$

Analysis frameworks

- Frequentist with likelihood fit to

- $E_{\text{rec}}/\theta_{\text{lep}}$ for $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$
- E_{rec} for $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$

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- Bayesian with Markov Chain MC

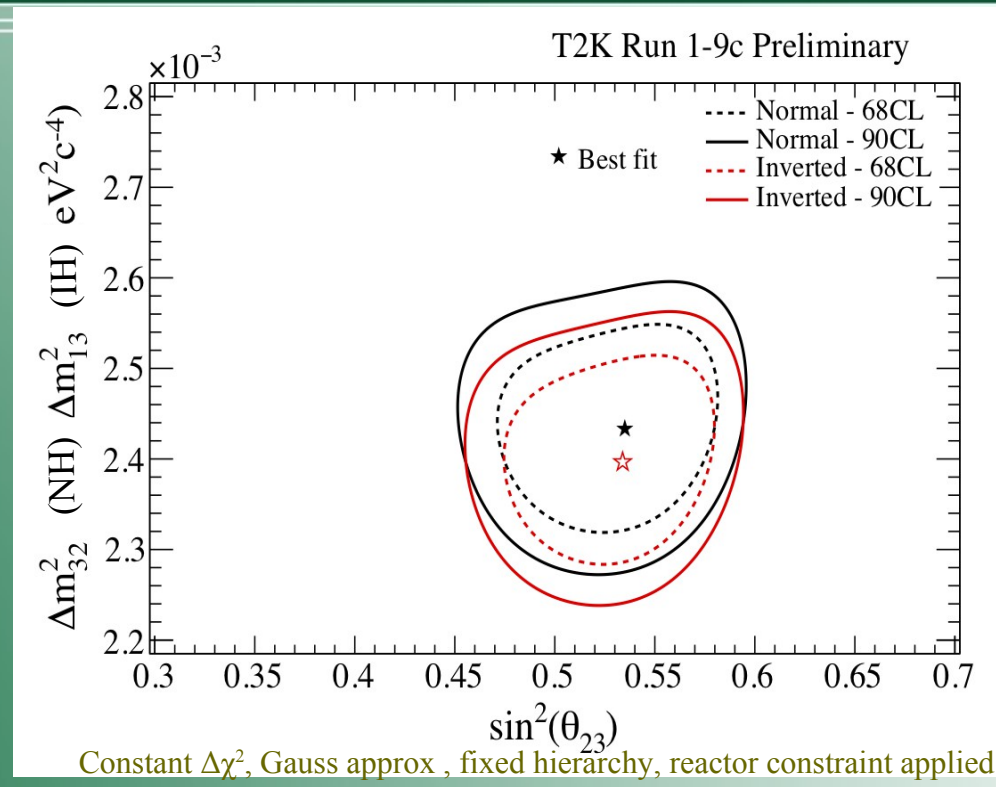
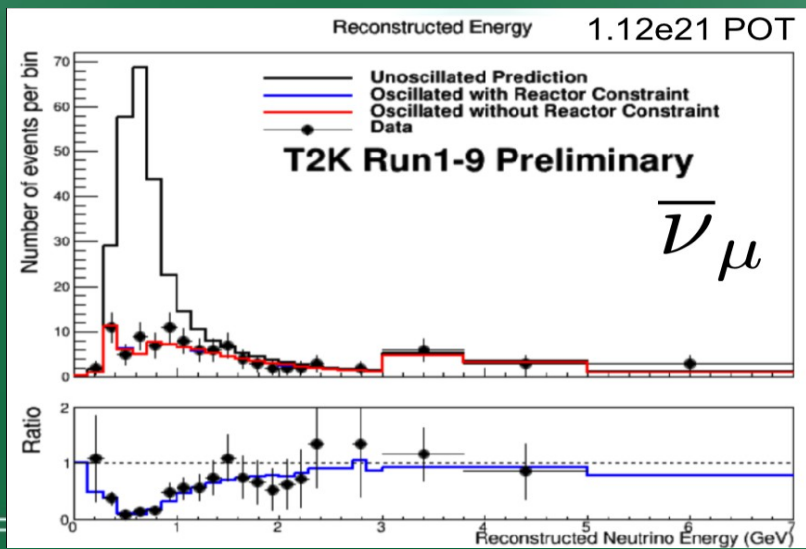
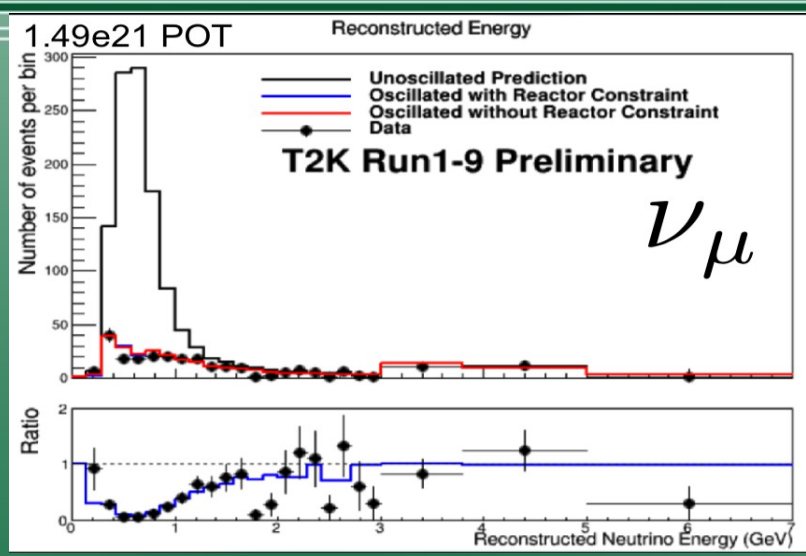
- E_{rec} for all samples
- simultaneous fit with near detector

SAMPLE	PREDICTED				OBSERVED
	$\delta_\varphi = -\pi/2$	$\delta_\varphi = 0$	$\delta_\varphi = +\pi/2$	$\delta_\varphi = \pi$	
ν -mode μ CCQE	268.5	268.2	268.5	268.9	243
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode μ CCQE	95.5	95.3	95.5	95.8	102
ν -mode e CCQE	73.8	61.6	50.0	62.2	75
ν -mode e CC1 π	6.9	6.0	4.9	5.8	15
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode e CCQE	11.8	13.4	14.9	13.2	9

Events observed at SK vs ND data-tuned predictions under oscillation hypothesis using NH, 2016 PDG θ_{13} , and $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$.

15 events observed in CC1 π^+ sample, with prediction of 6.9 max. p-value for fluctuation this significant in any one of the five samples is 12%.

ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance: Precision era of θ_{23} and Δm^2_{atm}



	NH	IH
$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	$0.536^{+0.031}_{-0.046}$	$0.536^{+0.031}_{-0.041}$
$ \Delta m^2 $ (x 10^{-3} eV^2)	2.434 ± 0.064	$2.410^{+0.062}_{-0.063}$

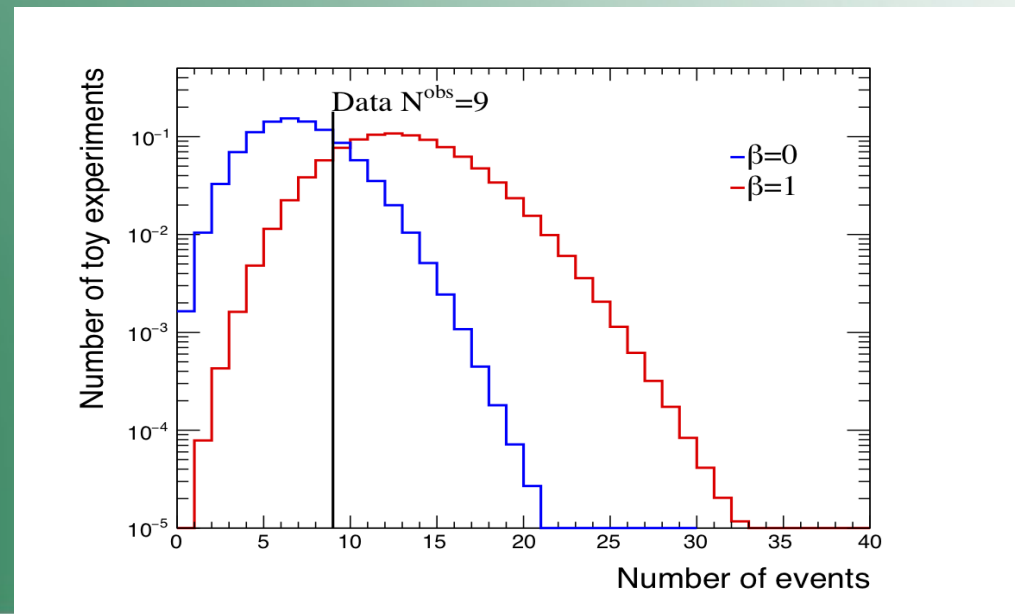
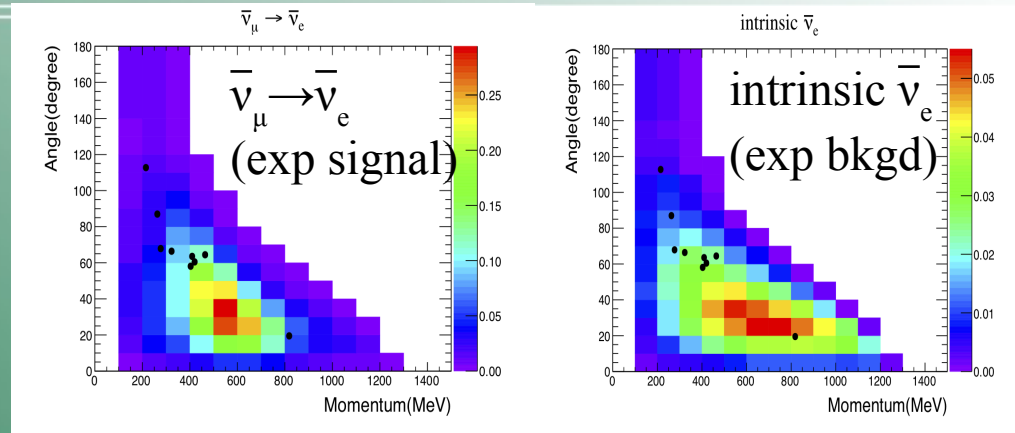
$\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance search

- Compare consistency with PMNS $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance ($\beta=1$) and no $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance ($\beta=0$)
 - if $\beta=0$ expect 6.5 events
 - if $\beta=1$ expect 11.8 events

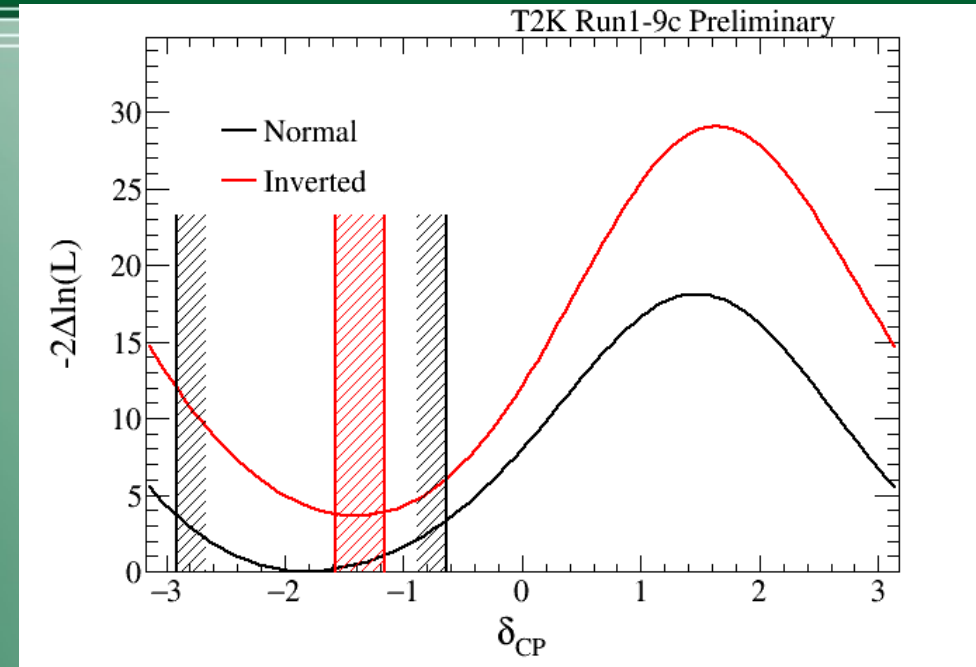
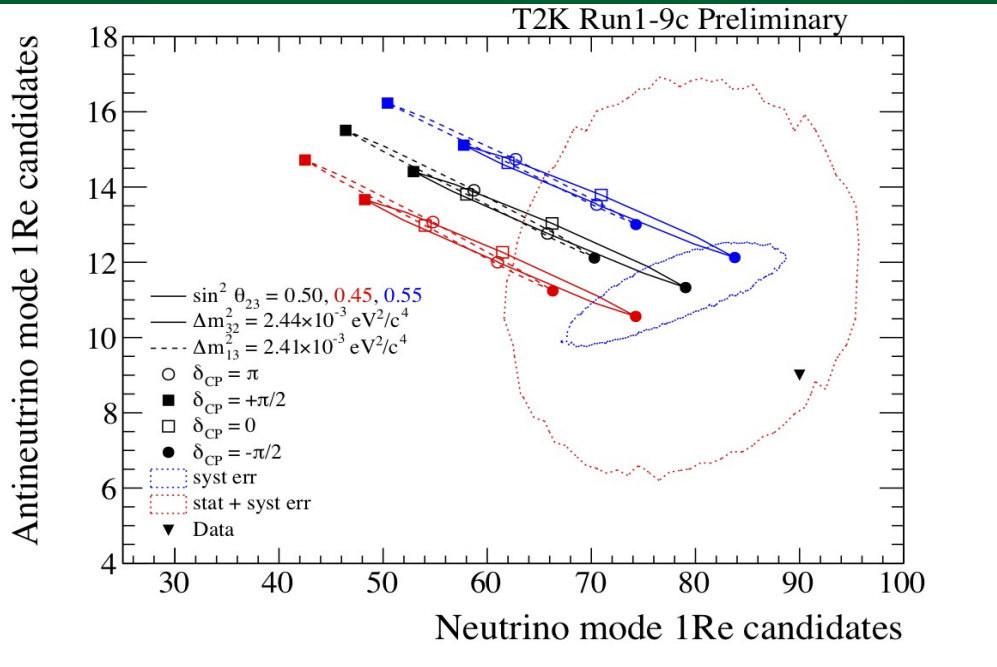
- The data shapes look more consistent with background spectra than $\bar{\nu}_e$ signal.
- Use rate+shape analyses:

β	Hypothesis	P-value
$\beta=0$	NO appearance	$p=0.233$
$\beta=1$	PMNS appearance	$p=0.0867$

- **No strong conclusion yet.**



ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ sample: δ_{CP}



Contours: 1σ , $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$, $\sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.5$, NH, reactor θ_{13} for 300k toys

• T2K result with reactor constraint:

$$\delta_{CP} = [-2.437, -1.228] \text{ NH (no IH at } 1\sigma)$$

δ_{CP} with Feldman-Cousins 2σ critical values and reactor θ_{13}

CP conservation ($\delta_{CP} = 0, \pi$) disfavoured at 2σ for both MH.

ν_e appearance: θ_{13}

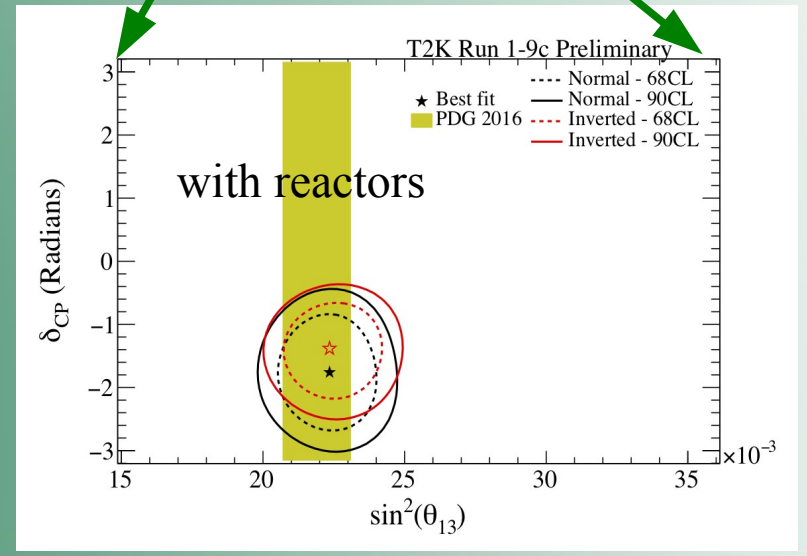
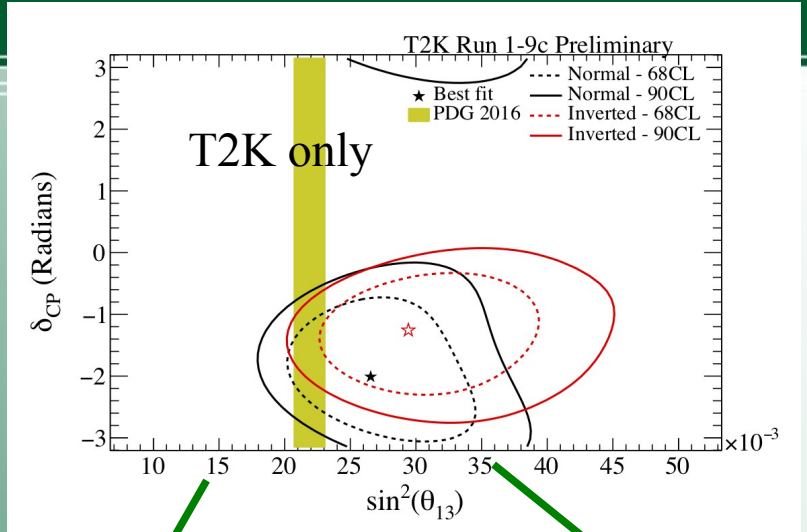
T2K only

	NH		IH	
$\sin^2\theta_{13}$	0.0268	$+0.0051$ -0.0046	0.0305	$+0.0064$ -0.0052

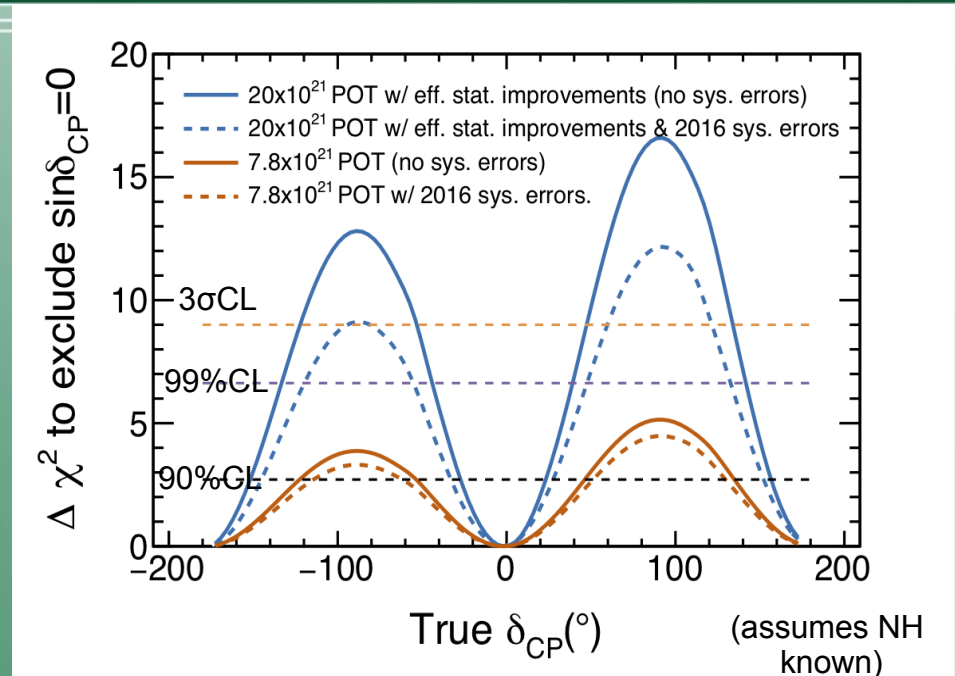
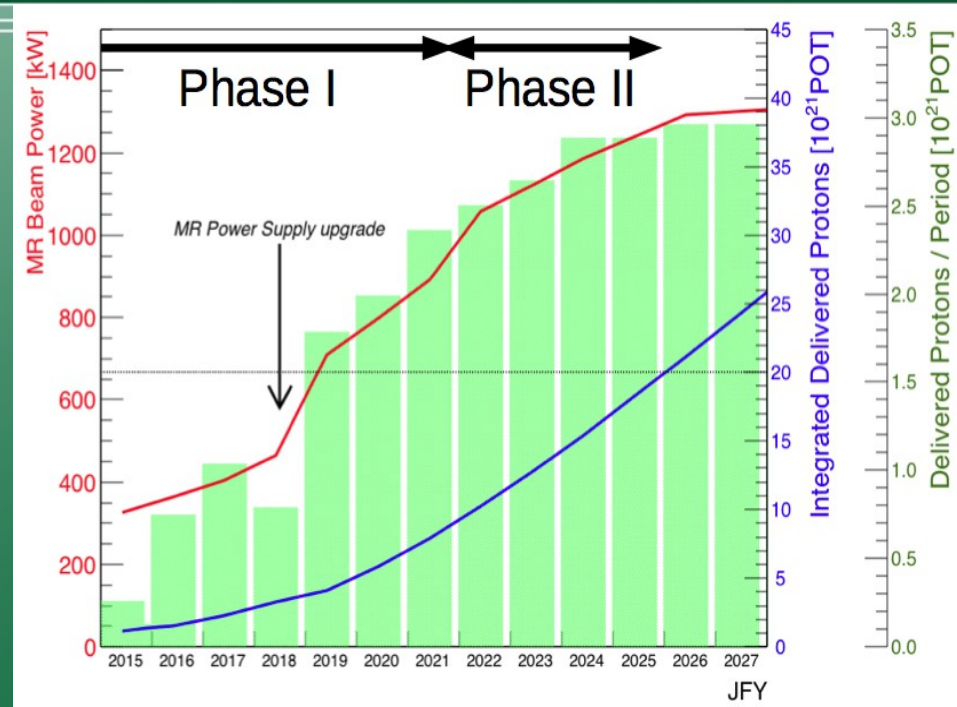
Bayesian posterior probabilities (with reactor)

	$\sin^2\theta_{23} \leq 0.5$	$\sin^2\theta_{23} > 0.5$	SUM
NH ($\Delta m^2_{32} > 0$)	0.204	0.684	0.888
IH ($\Delta m^2_{31} < 0$)	0.023	0.089	0.112
SUM	0.227	0.773	1

Bayes factor for NH/IH is 7.9



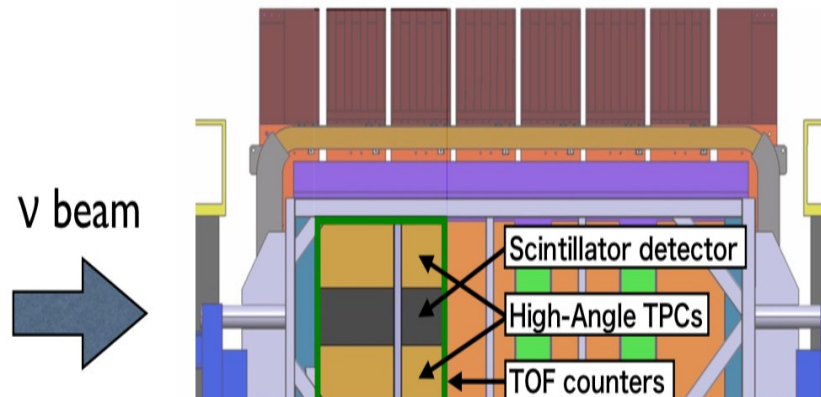
T2K-II: upgrade beam and detectors



- 1st stage of J-PARC main ring power supply upgrade approved
- Near future: Aiming for 750 kW beam power (currently 485 kW)
- T2K-II extends T2K run to 20 x 10²¹ POT (stops ~ 2026 when HK starts)
- Long term: beamline upgrade to reach 1.3 MW

ND280 upgrade

ND280 upgrade configuration

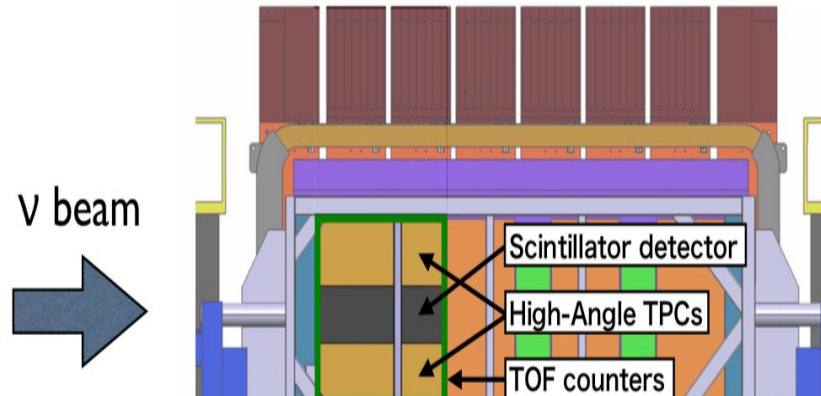


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 - improve acceptance for large-angle tracks.
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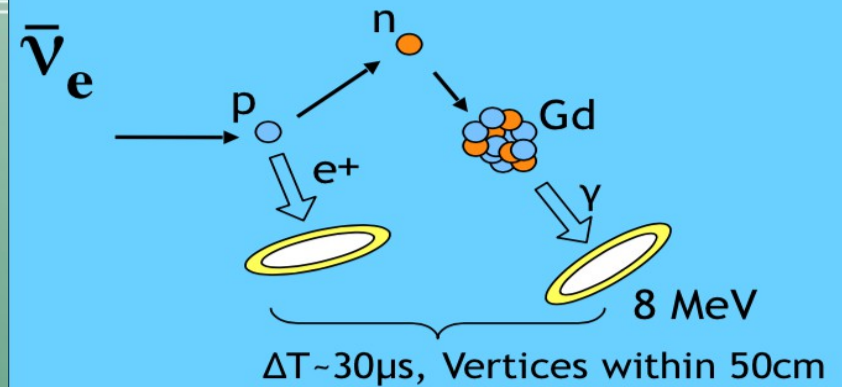
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See talk by Etam Noah Messomo in the Detector parallel session.

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SK upgrade

- Additional SK data samples under study
 - $CC1\pi^+$, $NC\pi^0$ in both FHC, RHC
- SK-Gd project
 - enhance neutron detection
 - improve low-energy $\bar{\nu}_e$ detection
 - may provide wrong-sign background constraint in $\bar{\nu}_e$ -mode data.
- Repairs to SK tank finished, filling with water and ready in Jan 2019.
- Load $Gd_2(SO_4)_3$ in stages up to 0.2%.



Summary

- T2K has a rich and varied neutrino physics programme
- Precise measurement of θ_{23} , Δm^2_{32}
- First suggestions of CPV in the lepton sector
- First (mild) indications of neutrino mass hierarchy
- Competitive (sometimes the only) neutrino cross-section measurements (see talk by Kevin McFarland in parallel session)
- Constraints on neutrino interaction models, nuclear models
- Limits on v_s , Lorentz Violation, etc are in progress or published (not covered)
- T2K-II: beam, ND280, SK upgrades – until HK! (see talk by Etam Noah Messomo in parallel session)



Extras

Oscillations at T2K

Appearance

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

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

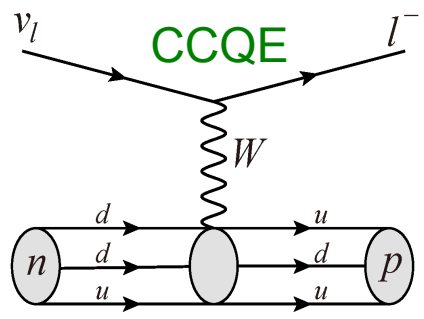
ν vs. $\bar{\nu}$
sign
change

θ_{13} dependence Octant sensitivity CP-odd phase

Disappearance

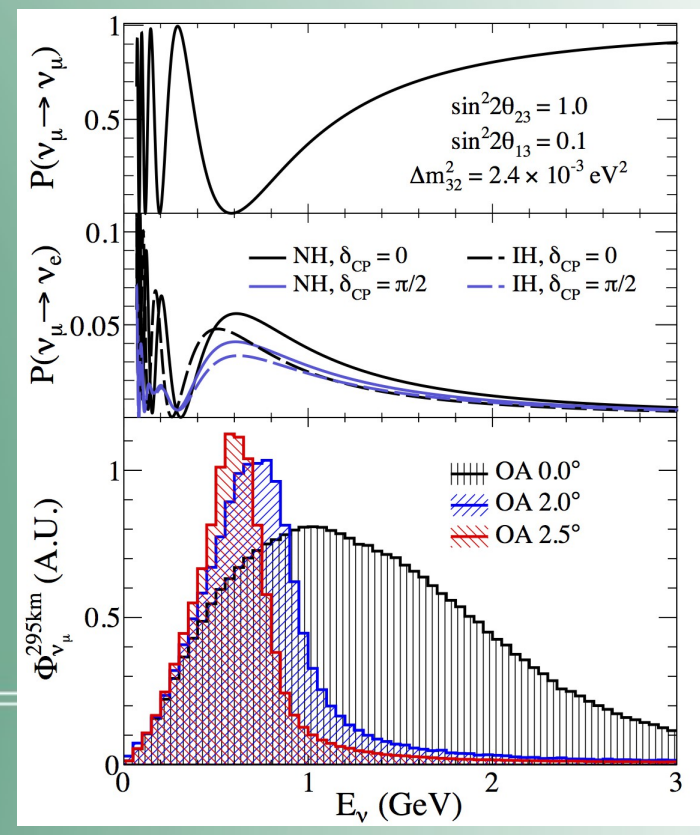
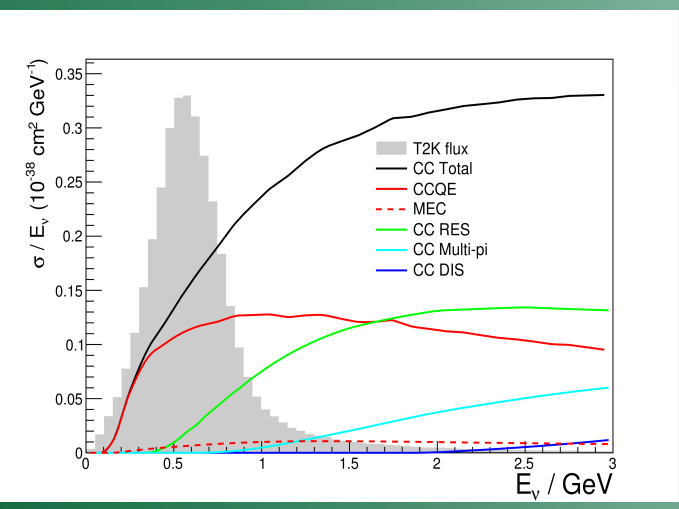
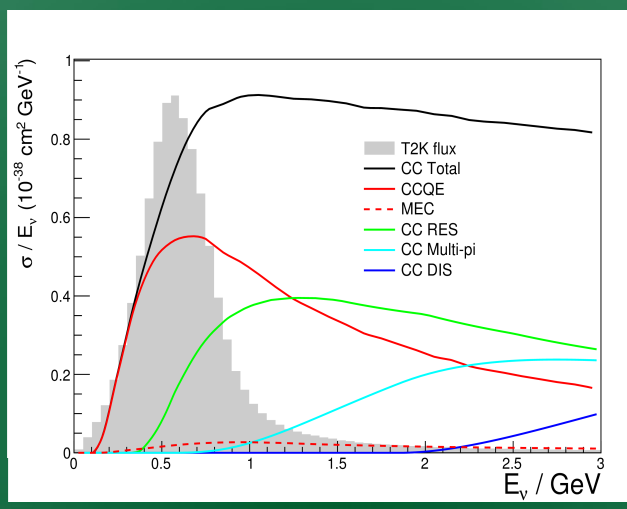
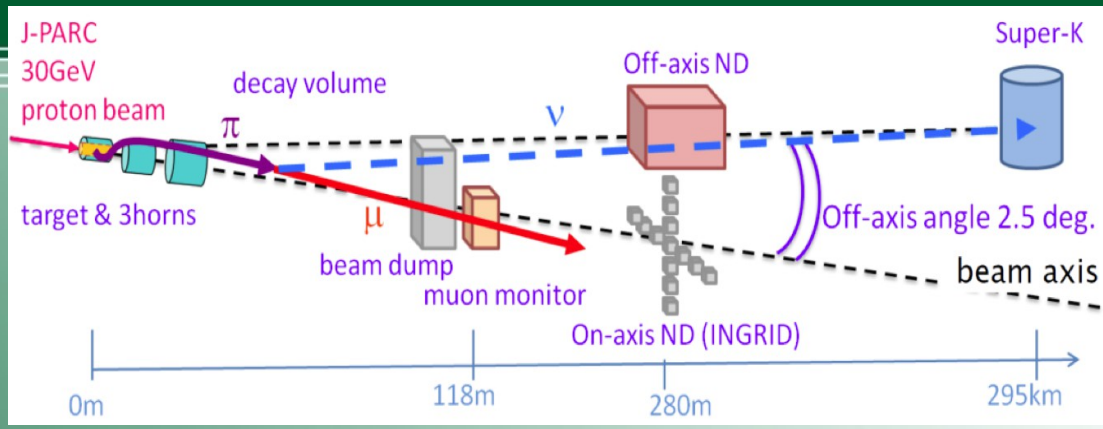
$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \approx 1 - \left(\cos^4 \theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 2\theta_{23} + \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 \theta_{23} \right) \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 \cdot L}{4E_\nu}$$

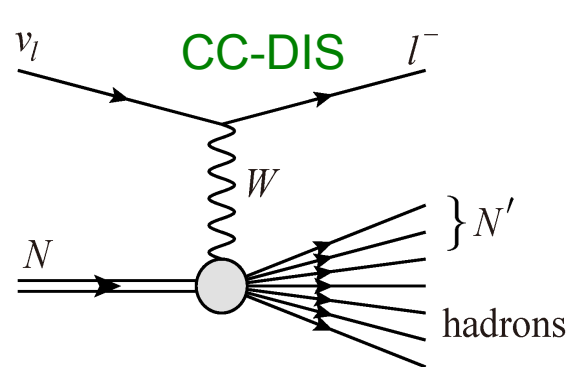
θ_{23} dependence Octant sensitivity $P_{\text{PMNS}}(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu) = P_{\text{PMNS}}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$ Test of CPT



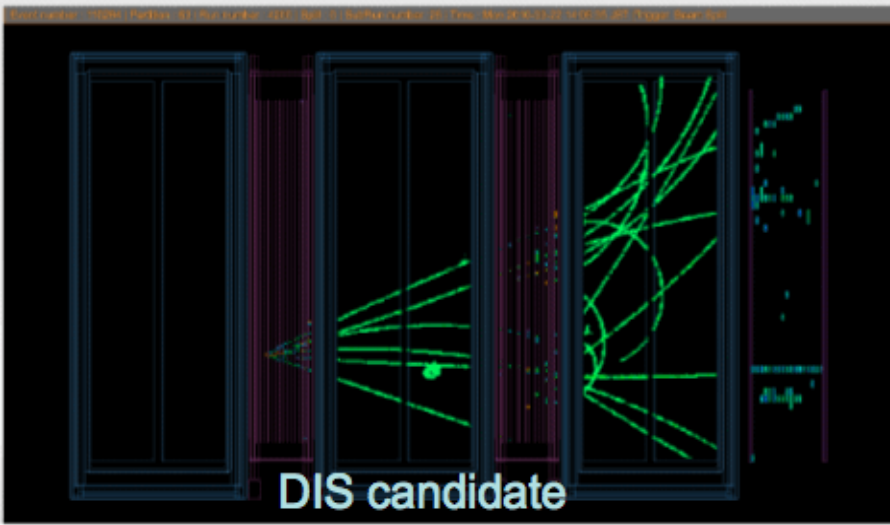
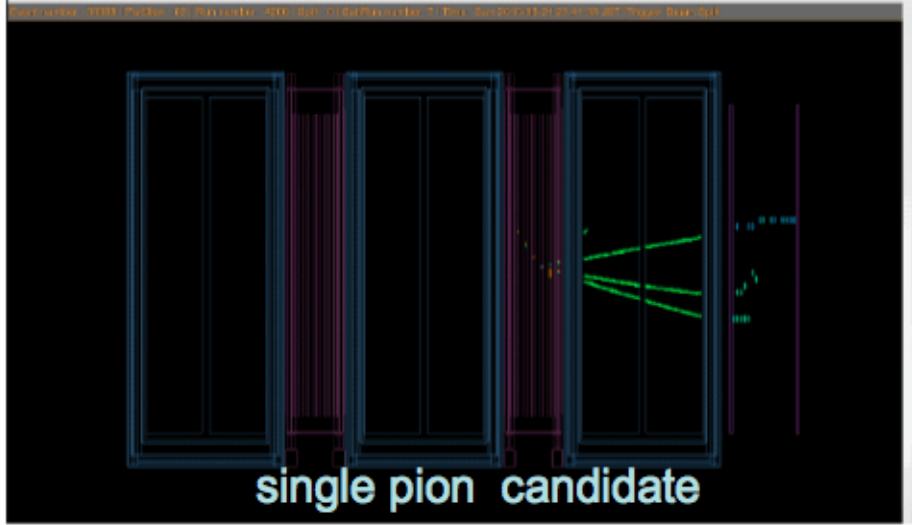
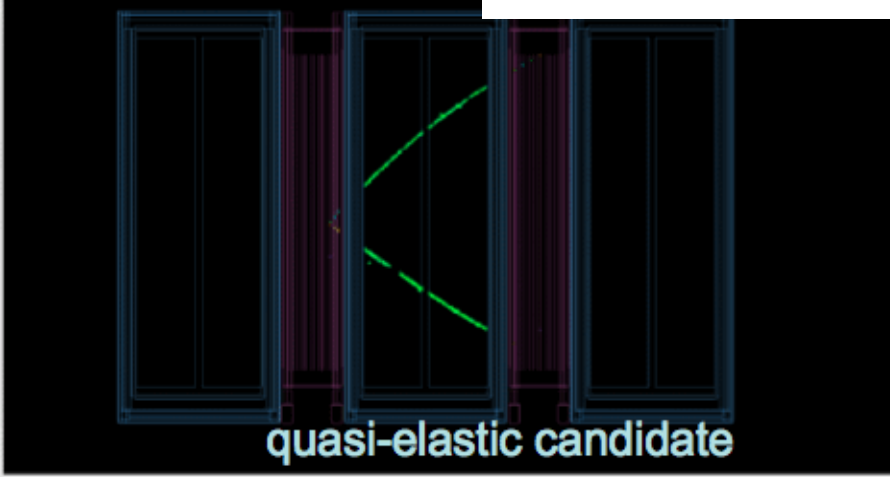
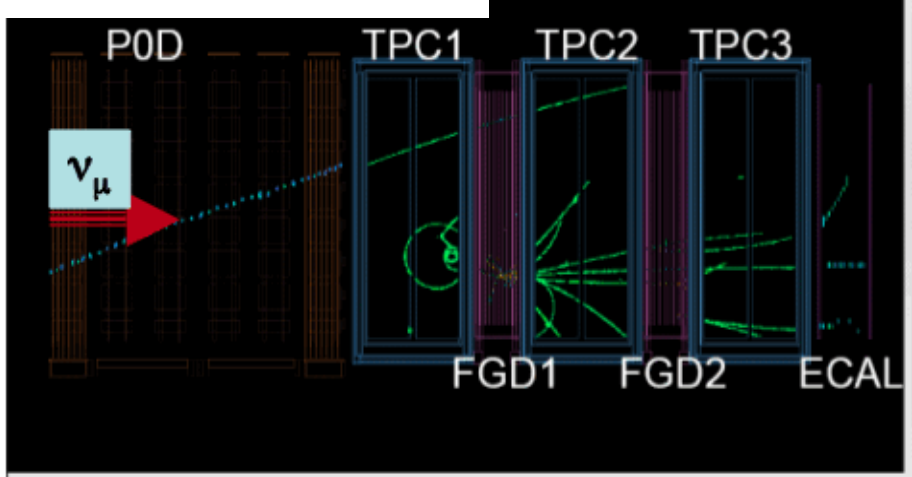
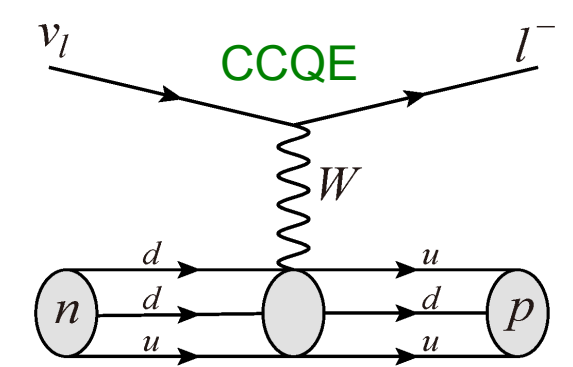
Off-axis technique

- Enhanced oscillation – beam energy tuned to oscillation max
- Enhanced CCQE fraction
- Less intrinsic ν_e contamination
- Less Neutral Current background





ND280 events



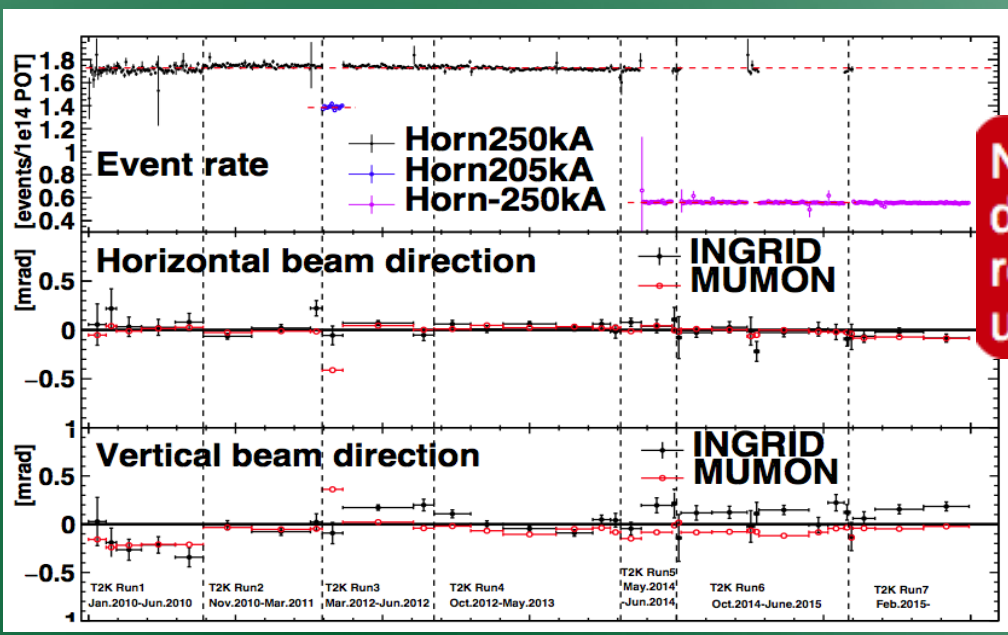
Flux uncertainties

- Beamline uncertainties

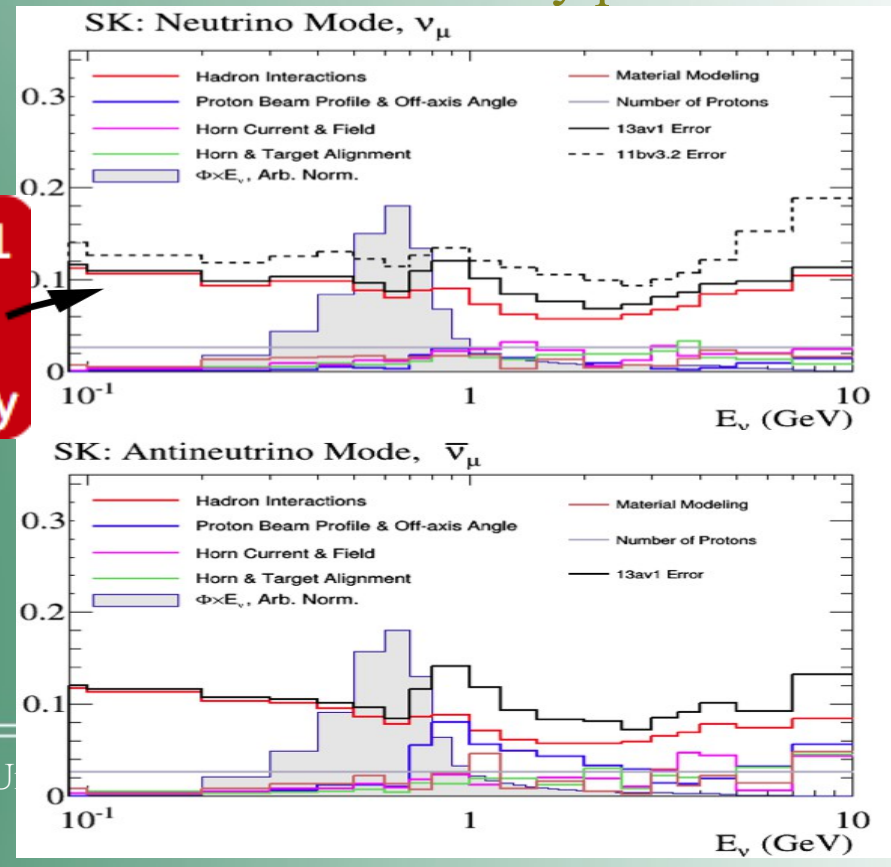
- Proton beam parameters
- Focusing horns
- Component alignment

- Hadron production uncertainties

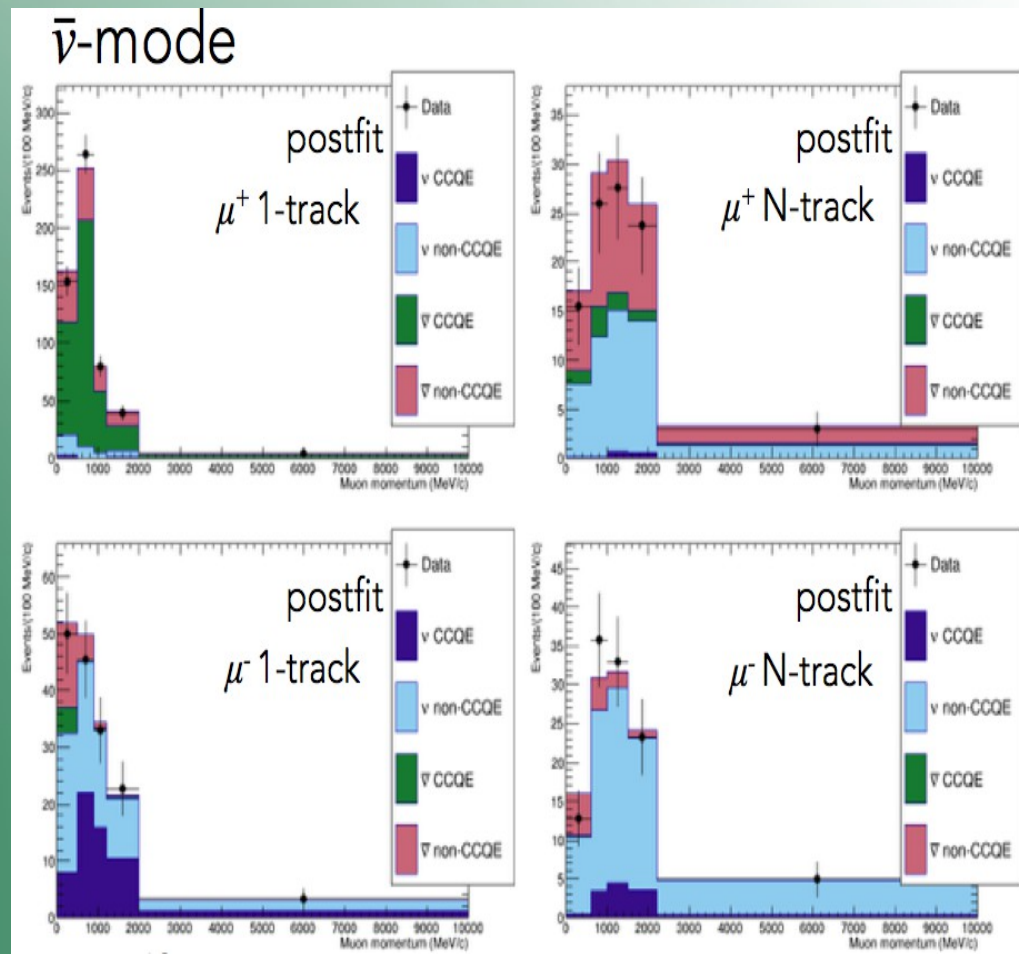
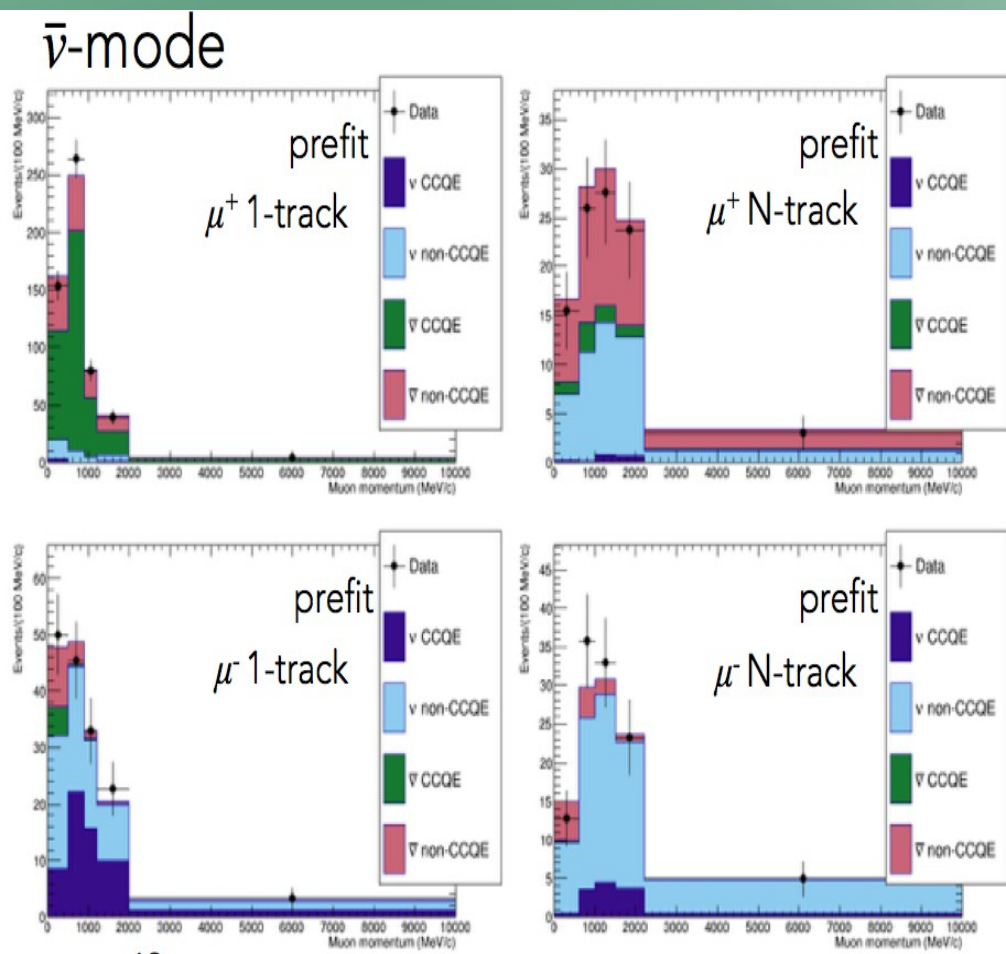
- NA61/SHINE uncersts
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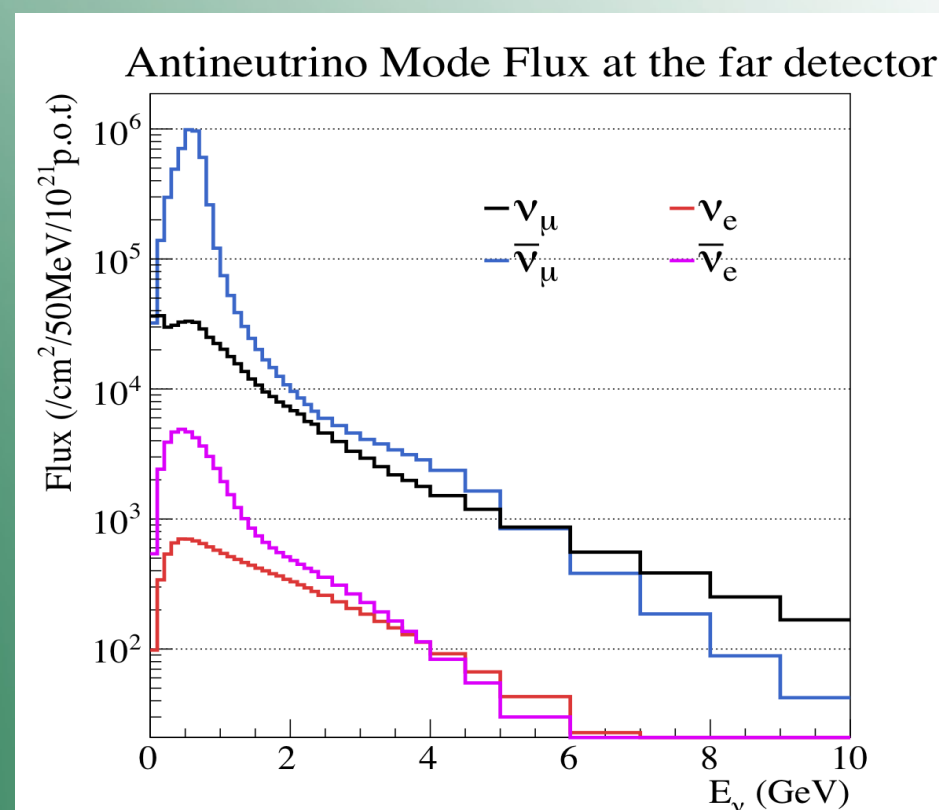
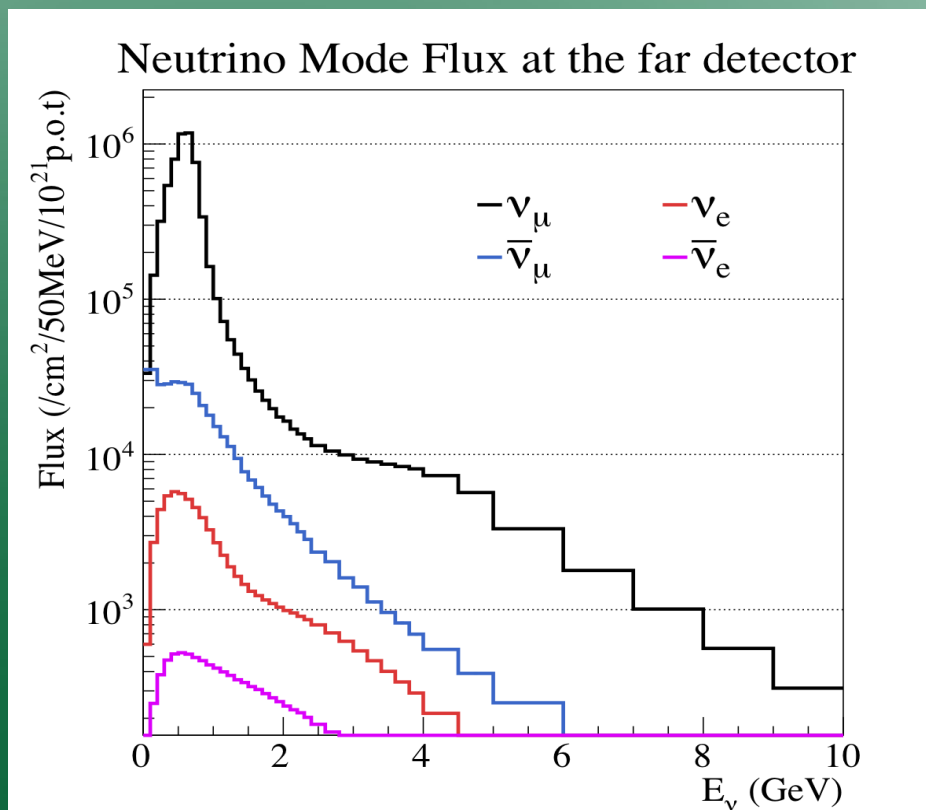
New NA61 data has reduced uncertainty



ND280 samples, $\bar{\nu}$ -mode



Flux predictions at SK



FITQUN RECONSTRUCTION ALGORITHM



- ▶ Previous T2K analyses have used the event reconstruction algorithm **APFit**
- ▶ For this result, event reconstruction at Super-K updated to use the **fiTQun** algorithm
- ▶ **fiTQun** uses a charge and time likelihood for a given ring(s) hypotheses
 - ▶ Maximizes likelihood for each event
 - ▶ Complete charge and time information in the likelihood leads to improved event reconstruction
- ▶ **fiTQun** previously used in T2K analyses for the rejection of π^0 from electron neutrino candidates

THE FIVE SAMPLES



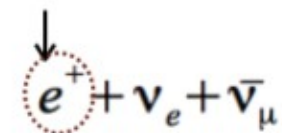
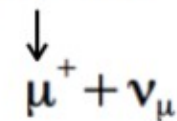
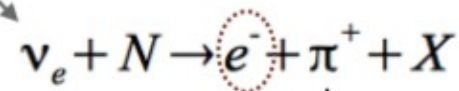
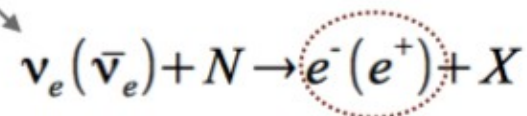
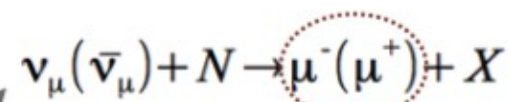
- Using the reconstructed fitQun quantities, five samples are selected:

Neutrino Mode (forward horn current FHC):

(CCQE) 1 Muon-like Ring, ≤ 1 decay electron

(CCQE) 1 Electron-like Ring, 0 decay electrons

(CC1 π) 1 Electron-like Ring, 1 decay electron



Antineutrino Mode (reverse horn current RHC):

(CCQE) 1 Muon-like Ring, ≤ 1 decay electron

(CCQE) 1 Electron-like Ring, 0 decay electrons

No antineutrino mode CC1 π sample due to π absorption

\bigcirc = detected particles