

To CCQE and Beyond

The latest charged-current pionless cross-section measurements from T2K

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For the T2K Collaboration

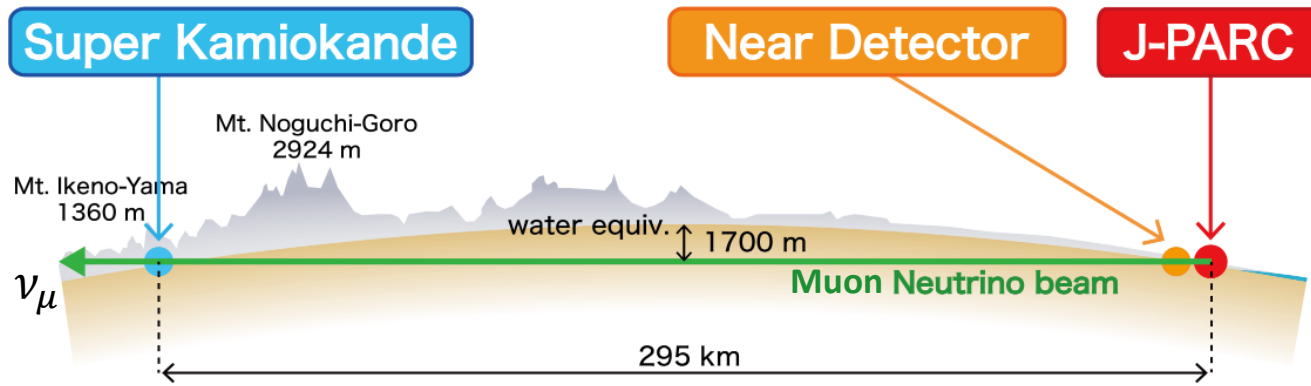
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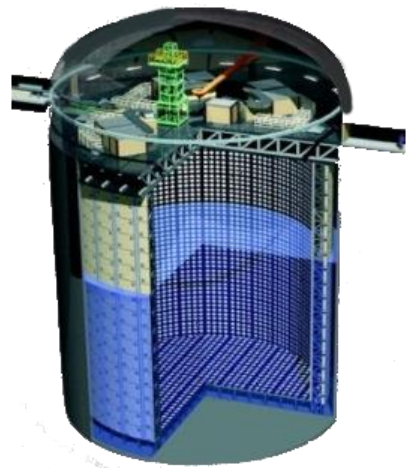
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The T2K Experiment



Use off-axis beam to give a narrow neutrino energy spread

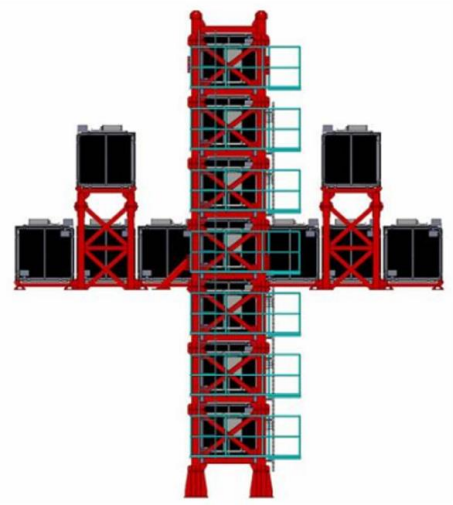
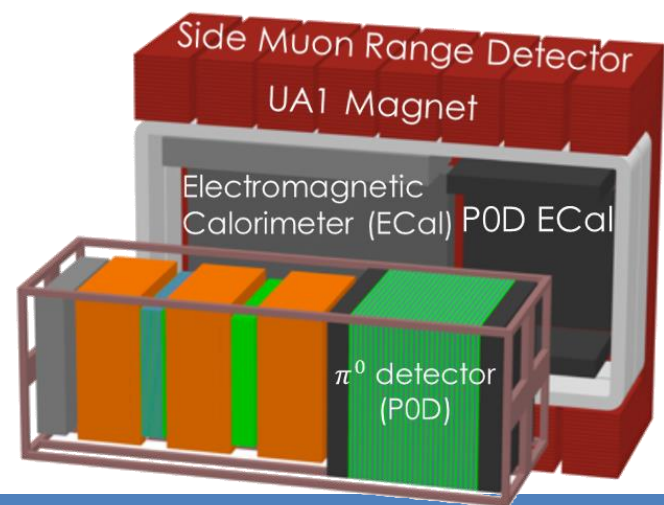
Far Detector (Off-Axis)
Super-Kamiokande



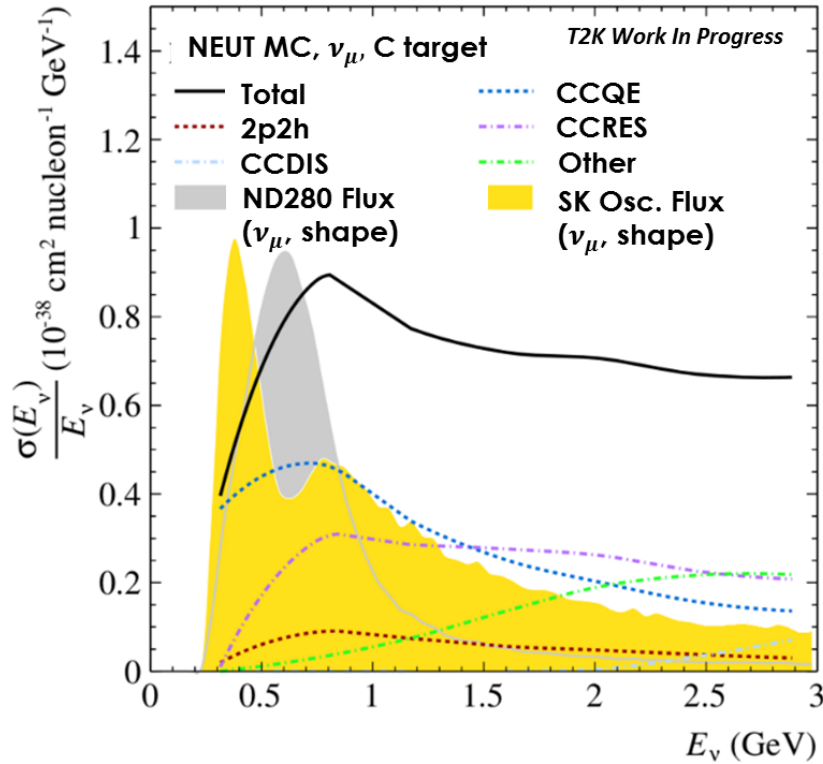
Near Detectors

Off-Axis: ND280

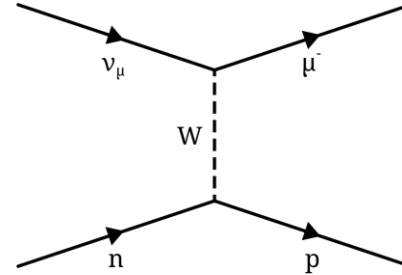
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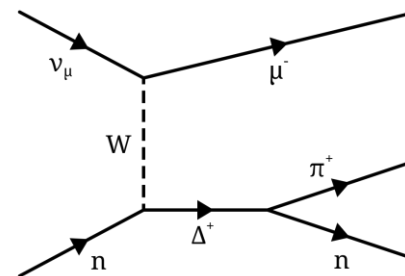
Neutrino Interactions at T2K



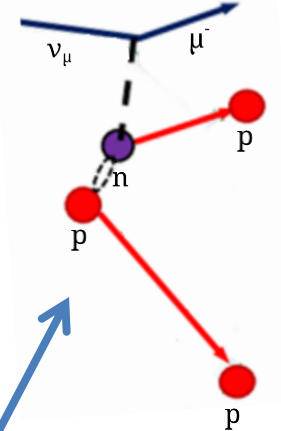
CCQE
(Charged-Current Quasi-Elastic)



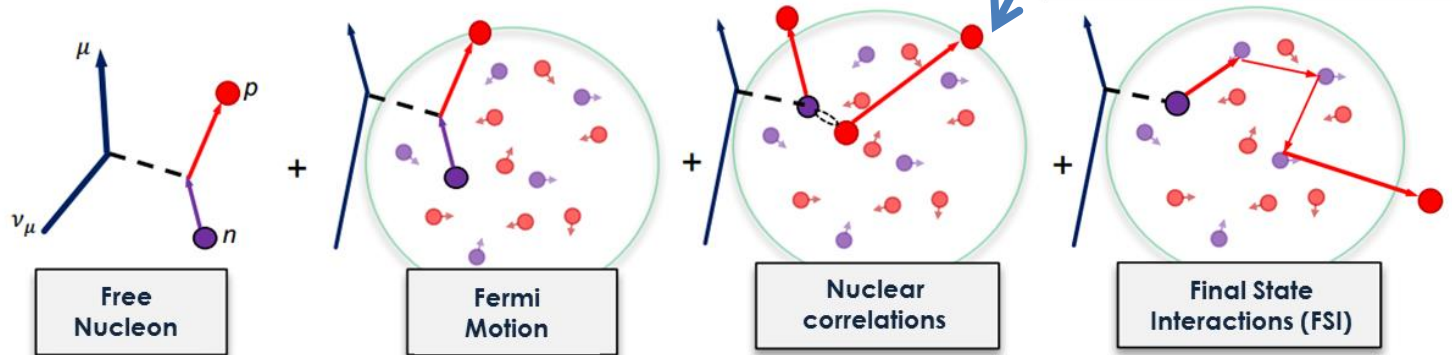
CCRES
(Charged-Current Resonant)



2p2h
(2 particle - 2 hole)



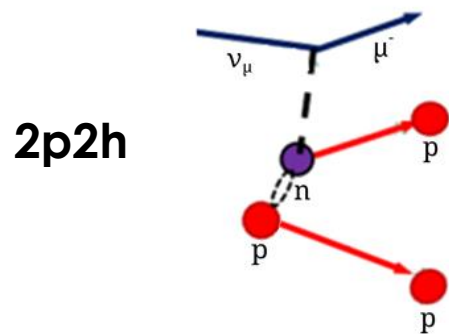
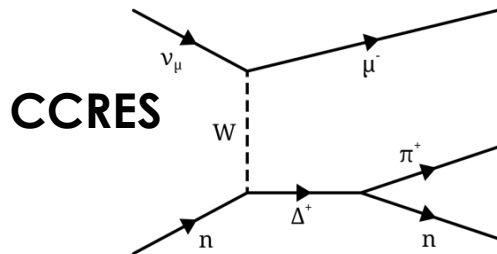
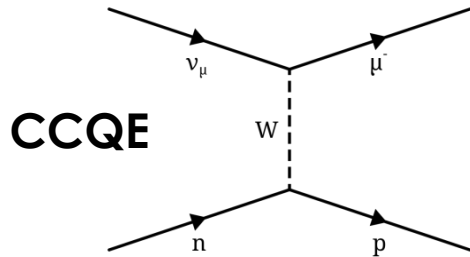
Nuclear Effects



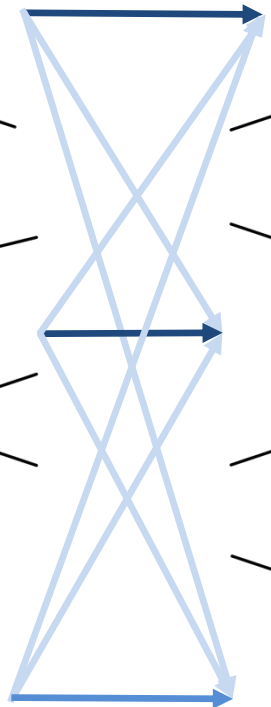
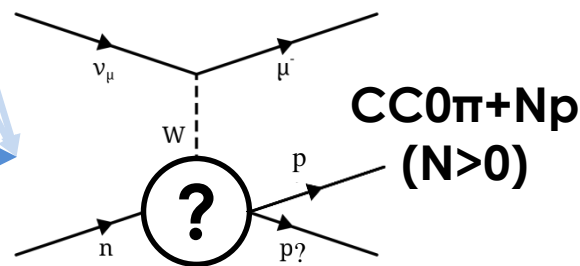
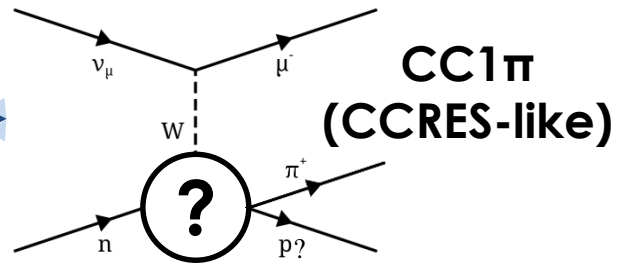
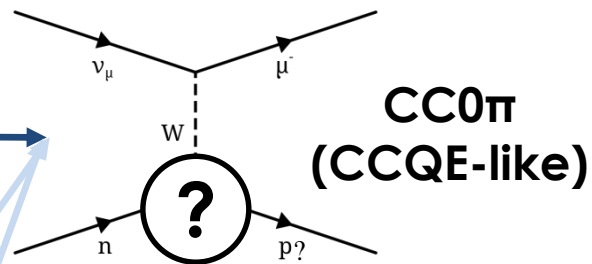
Diagrams by Patrick Stowell

What can we measure

Interaction Modes

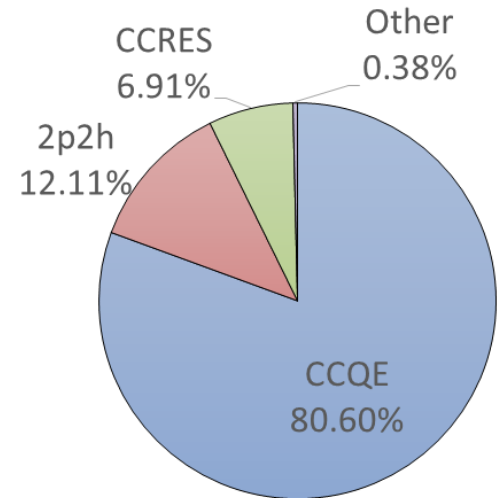


Interaction Topologies



- Nuclear effects obfuscate interaction mode
- To minimise model dependence we measure interaction topologies

Interaction modes in CC0π topology: (NEUT MC)



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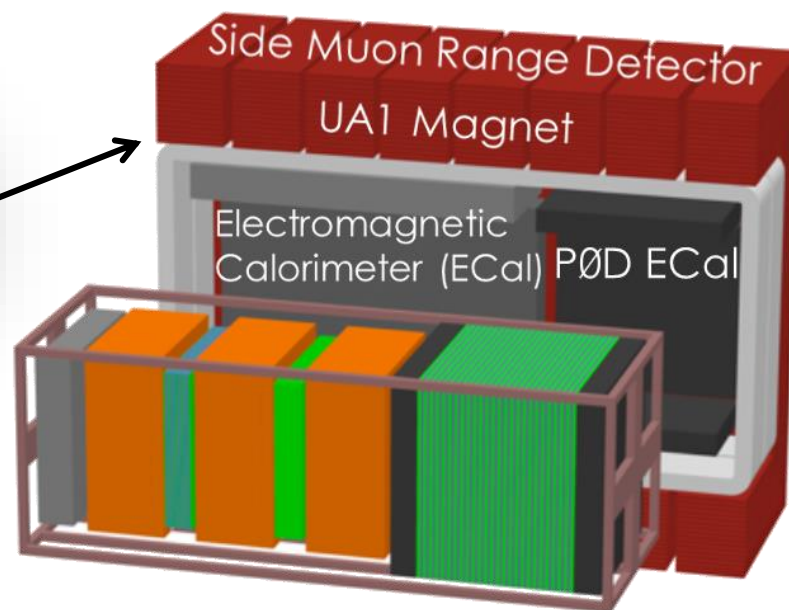
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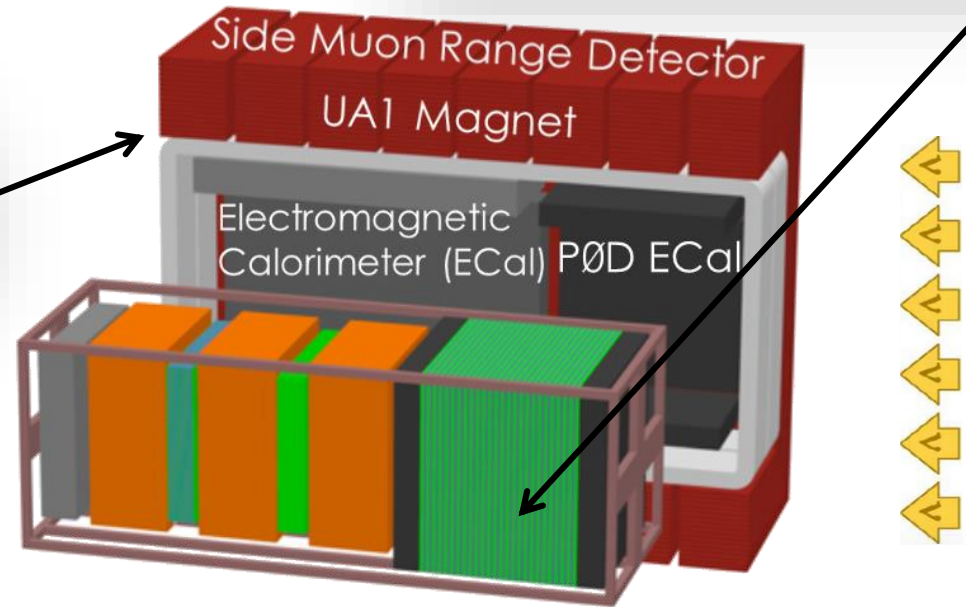
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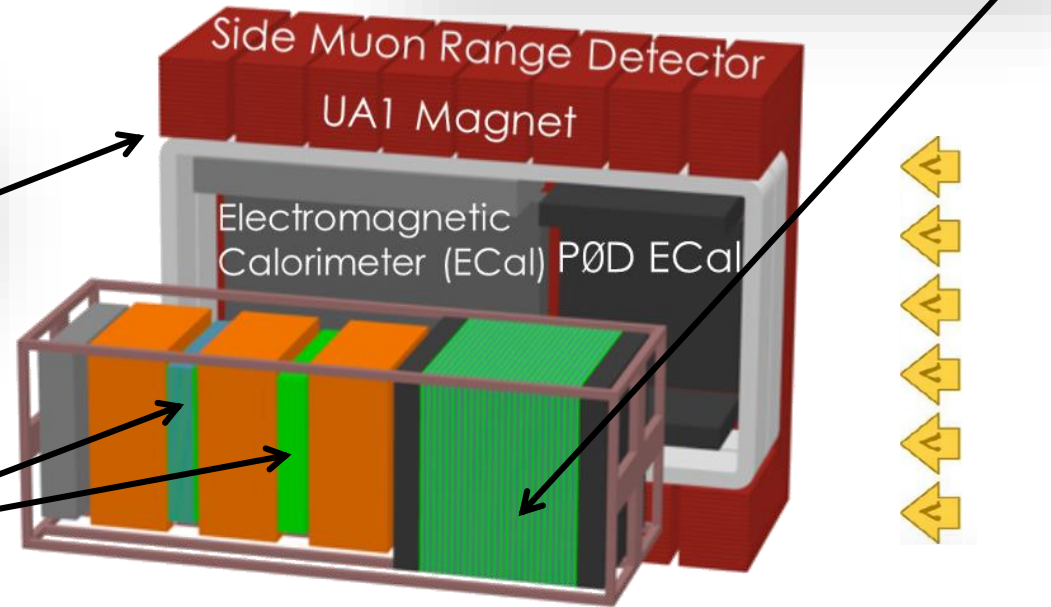
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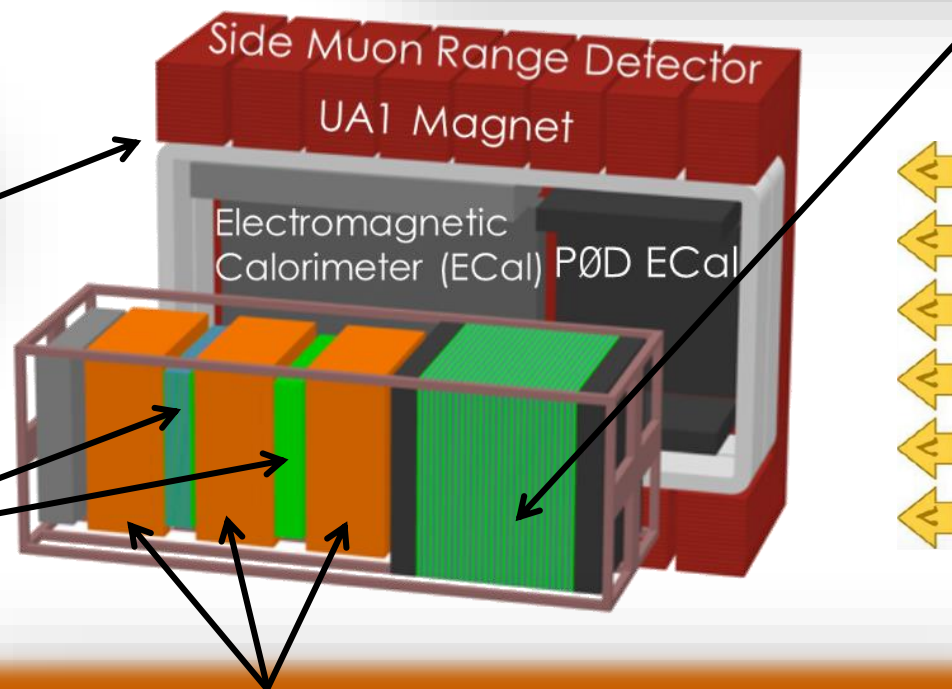
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Time Projection Chambers (TPC):

- High-res tracking
- Precise particle ID
- Accurate charged-particle momenta

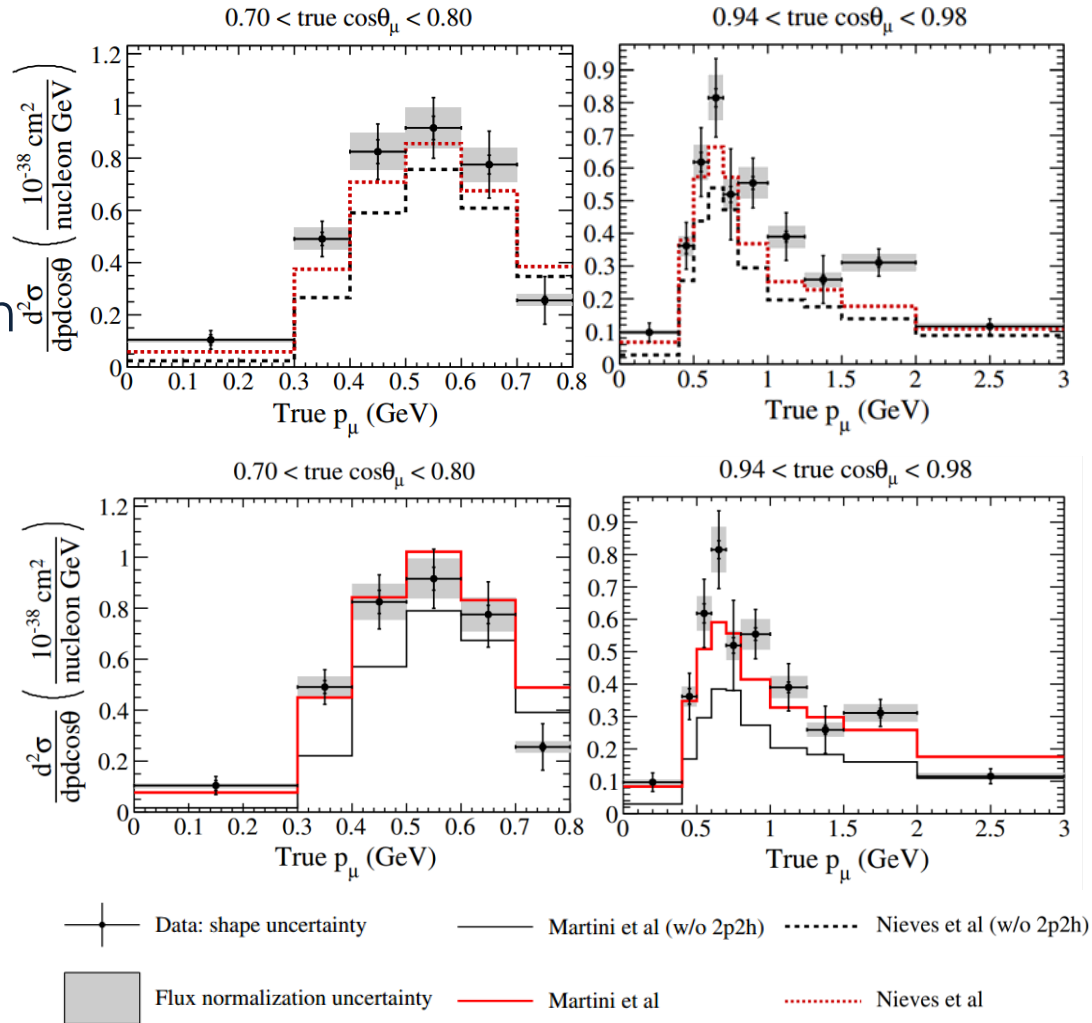


Previously at T2K ...

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ND280 Off-Axis $CC0\pi$ Result

- Uses FGD1 as a CH target alongside TPC for tracking
- **Flux-integrated** double-differential $CC0\pi$ cross section in final-state muon kinematic variables ($p_\mu, \cos(\theta_\mu)$)
- Split into two analyses with different selection and cross-section extraction strategies
 - Good agreement
- Results compared to the Nieves and Martini models **with/without** 2p2h



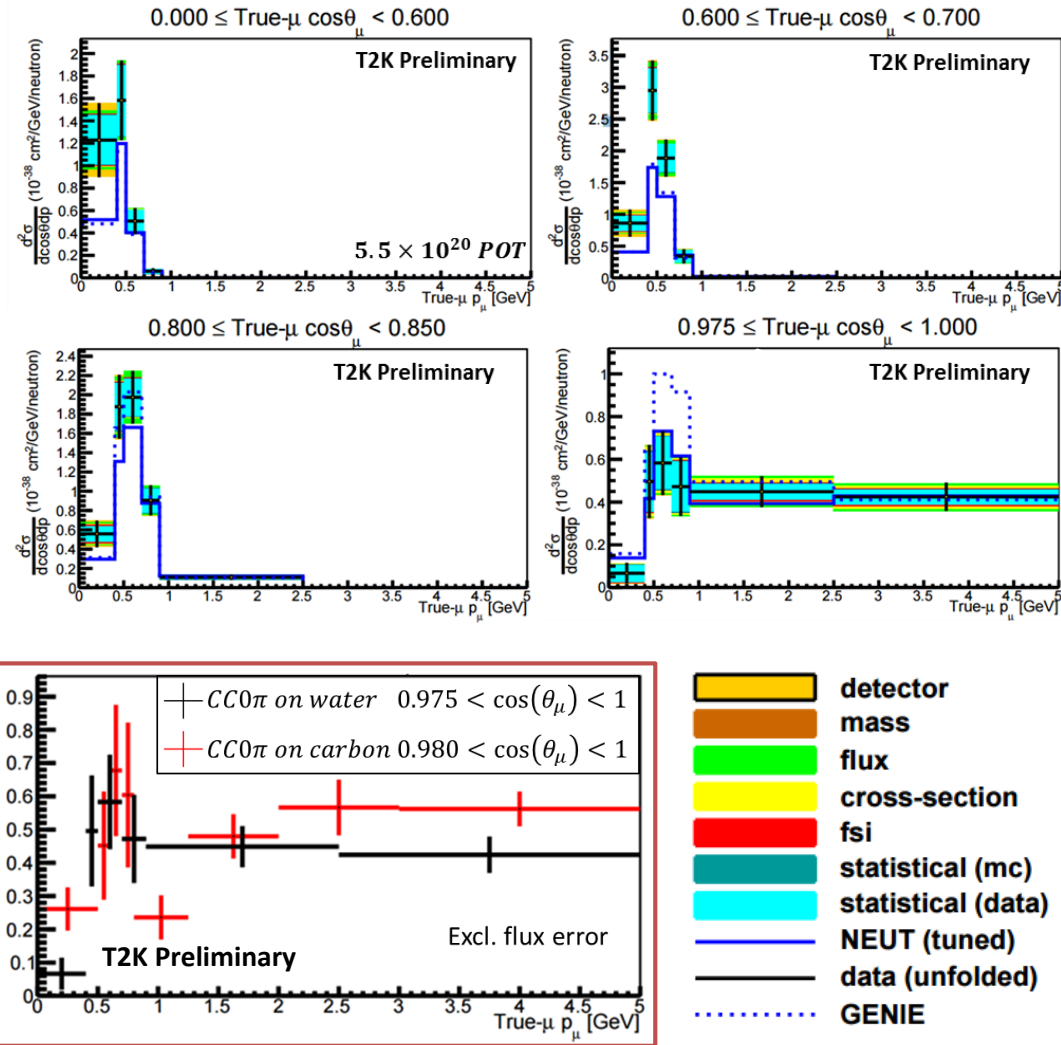
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Detector: ND280 – FGD1 **Target:** CH **Signal:** $CC0\pi$ **Variables:** μ -kinematics **Status:** Phys. Rev. D **93**, 112012

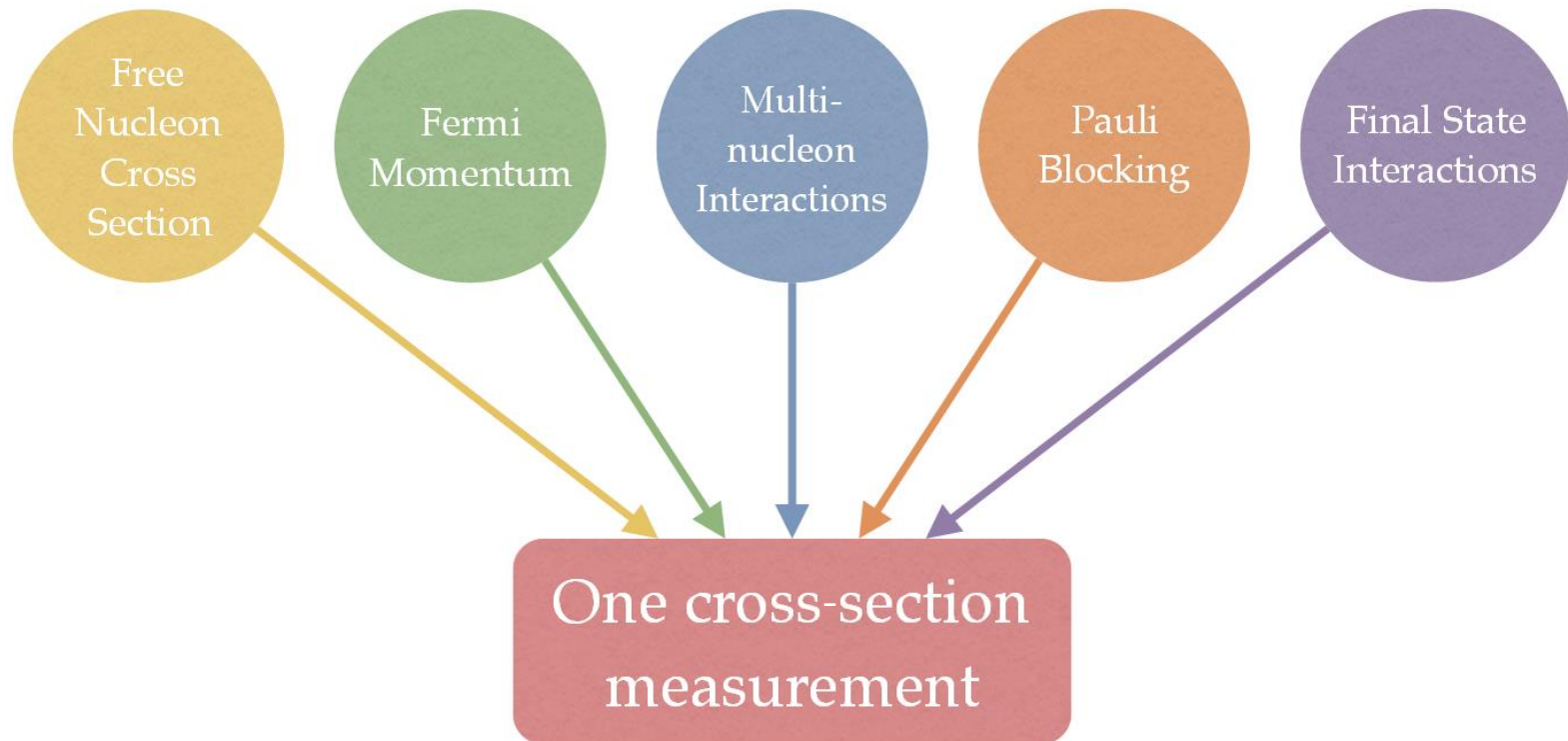
ND280 Off-Axis $CC0\pi$ Result

- Uses PØD as a water target alongside TPC for tracking
- **Flux-integrated** double-differential $CC0\pi$ cross section in final-state muon kinematic variables ($p_\mu, \cos(\theta_\mu)$)
- Can also compare to FGD1 $CC0\pi$ on Carbon result
- Similar studies underway using FGD2 water layers to extract Oxygen:Carbon cross-section ratio
- More details in these proceedings: [ICHEP16](#), [NuFact16](#)



Detector: ND280 – PØD **Target:** Water **Signal:** $CC0\pi$ **Variables:** μ -kinematics **Status:** Paper in preparation

What next?



- Would like to disentangle the role of separate nuclear effects and the free nucleon cross-section.
- Current results provide an important piece of the puzzle but further complementary measurements are needed...

Measuring proton kinematics

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Measuring proton kinematics

- μ -kinematics only tell us everything about $\nu + N$ scattering assuming a **stationary target** and an **elastic scatter**
- Proton kinematics allows a new handle on nuclear effects
- Simulations have weak predictive power to describe proton kinematics
 - Nuclear effects are very difficult to model
 - First time looking at proton predictions for T2K
 - **Essential to ensure minimal dependence on simulation**

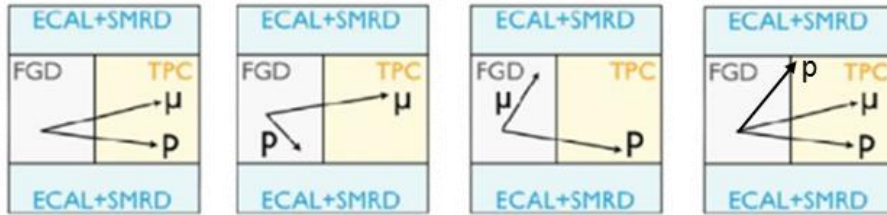


- Measure fiducial cross section
- Minimise role of MC in unfolding

[See slides from State of The Nu-tion](#)

Event Selection

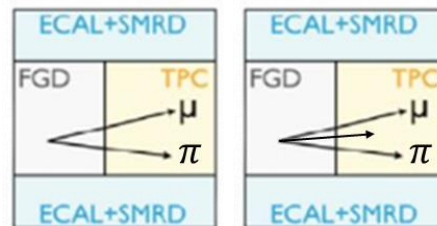
Signal



- Require one μ -like and p -like track(s) starting in FGD1 (CH target)
- Use a Michel electron tag and ECal EM shower veto to reject 1π backgrounds
- Use of many samples gives wide kinematic acceptance

Sidebands

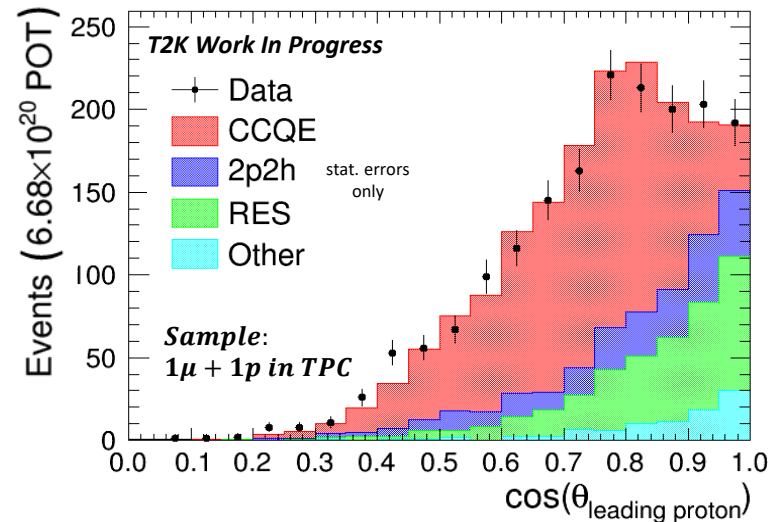
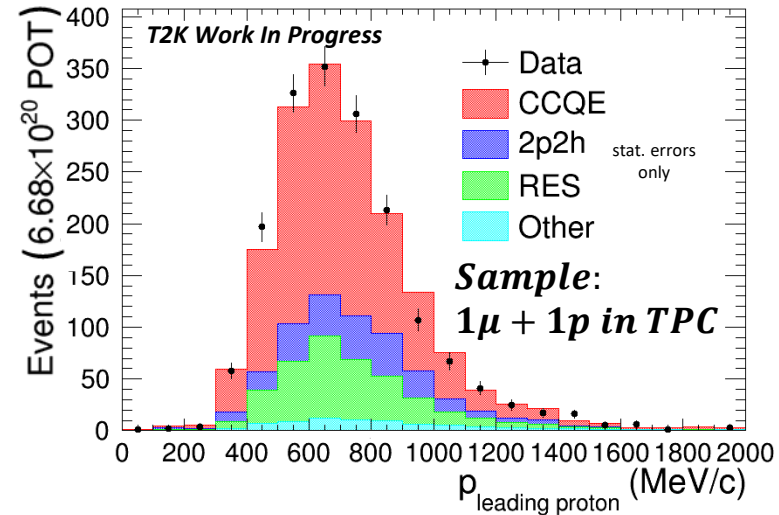
- Require extra π -like track(s)



CC1 π

CCOther

Reconstructed kinematics

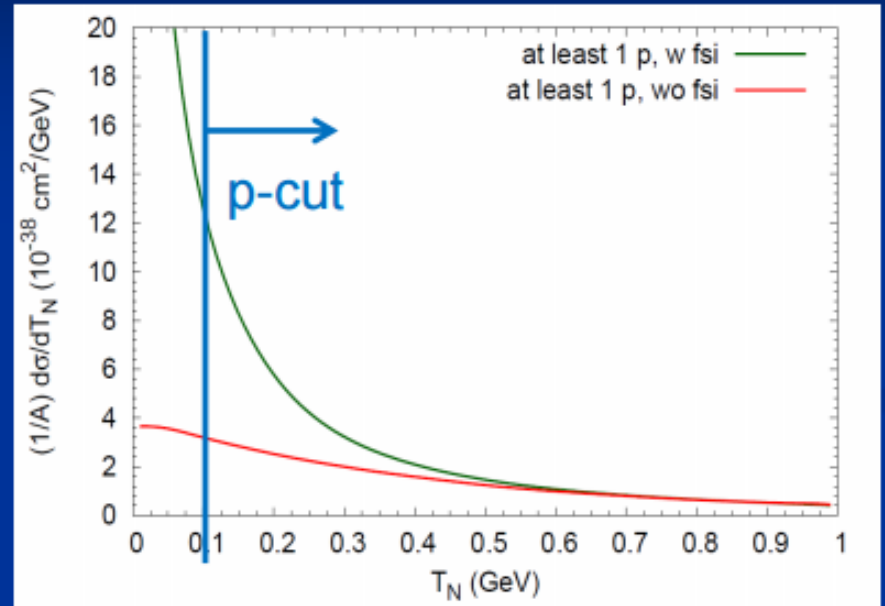
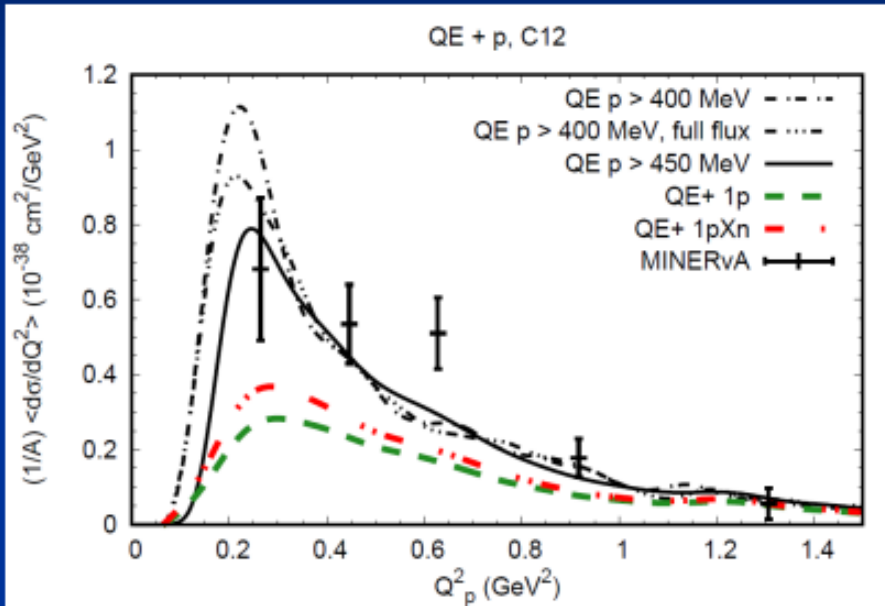


NEUT 5.3.3.2; Benhar SF; $M_A = 1.21$;
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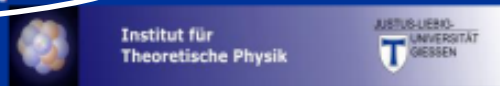
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A request from yesterdays GiBUU talk



One and only one p is a clean indicator of QE
Data are fsi-dominated
Need proton spectra from experiment

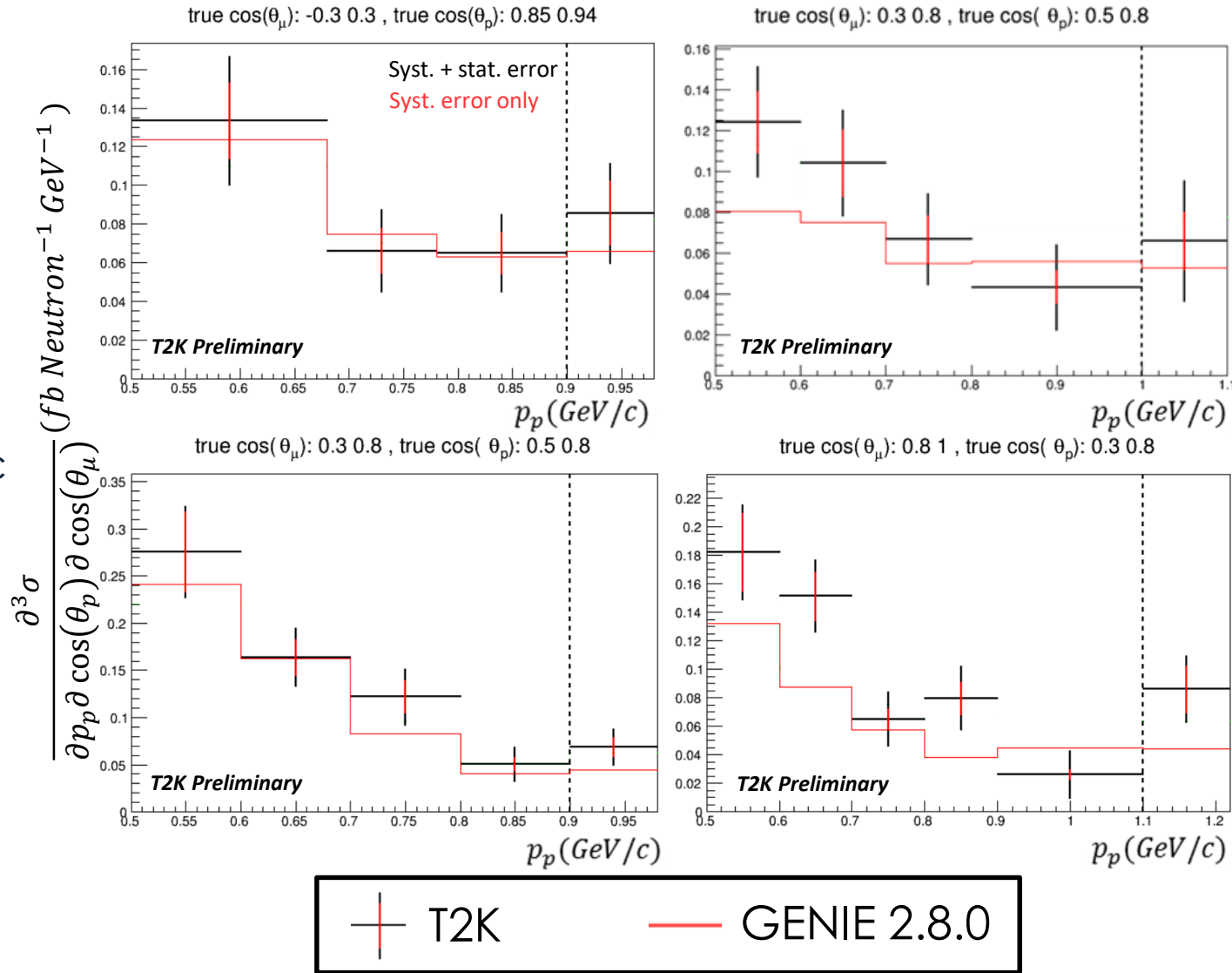
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CC0 π using $\mu + p$ kinematics

Measure fiducial flux-integrated **CC0 π + Np** cross section in bins of $\cos(\theta_\mu)$, $\cos(\theta_p)$, p_p

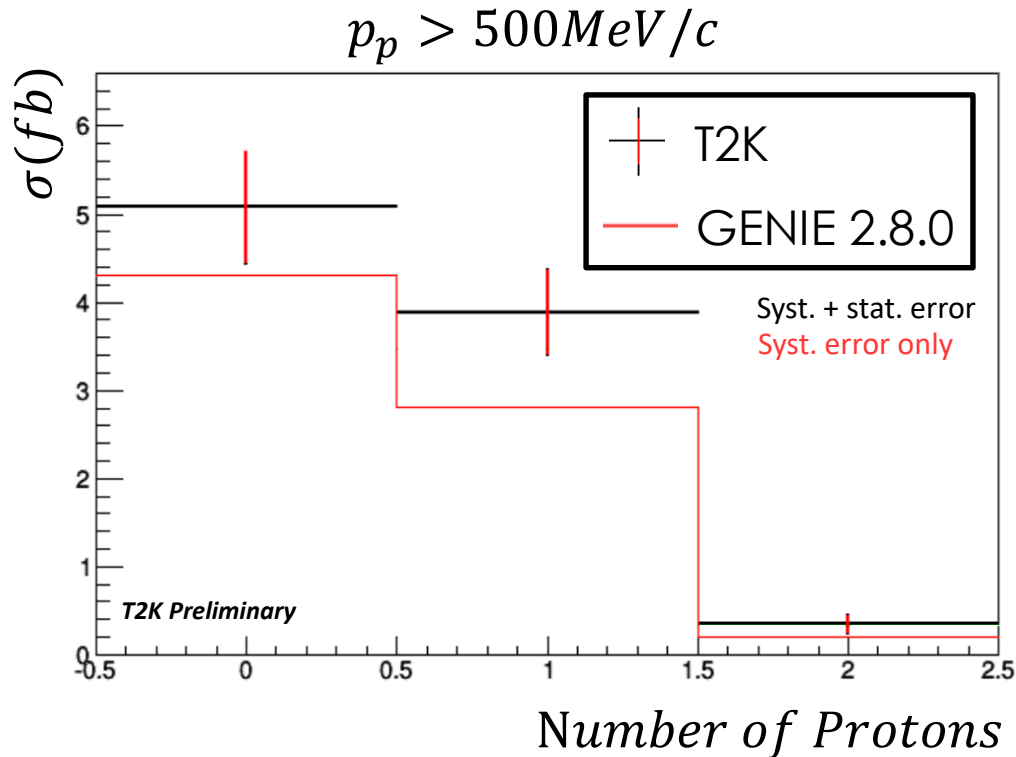
Subset of bins shown – full binning covers all kinematic phase-space with $p_p > 500 \text{ MeV}/c$



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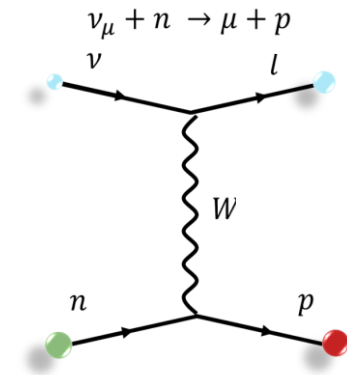
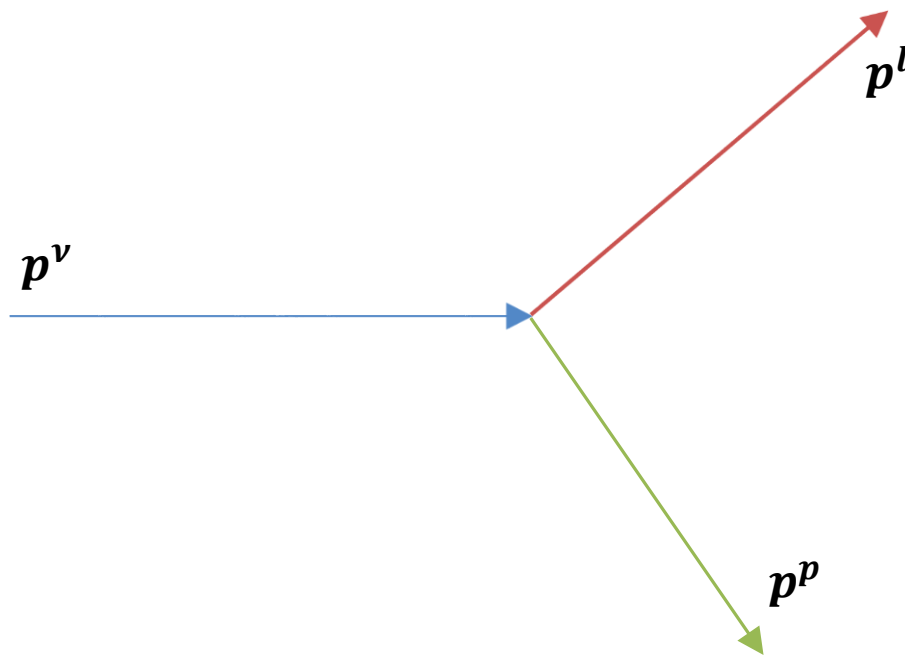
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- Cross-section extraction method also allows simultaneous extraction of number of protons with $p_p > 500 \text{ MeV}/c$
- Observe interesting excess over GENIE prediction (which has no 2p2h contribution)



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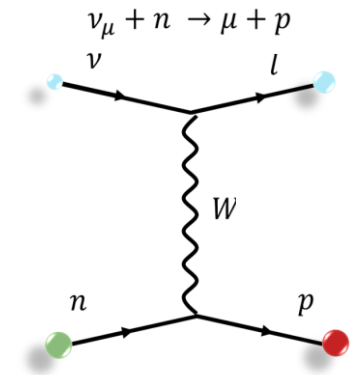
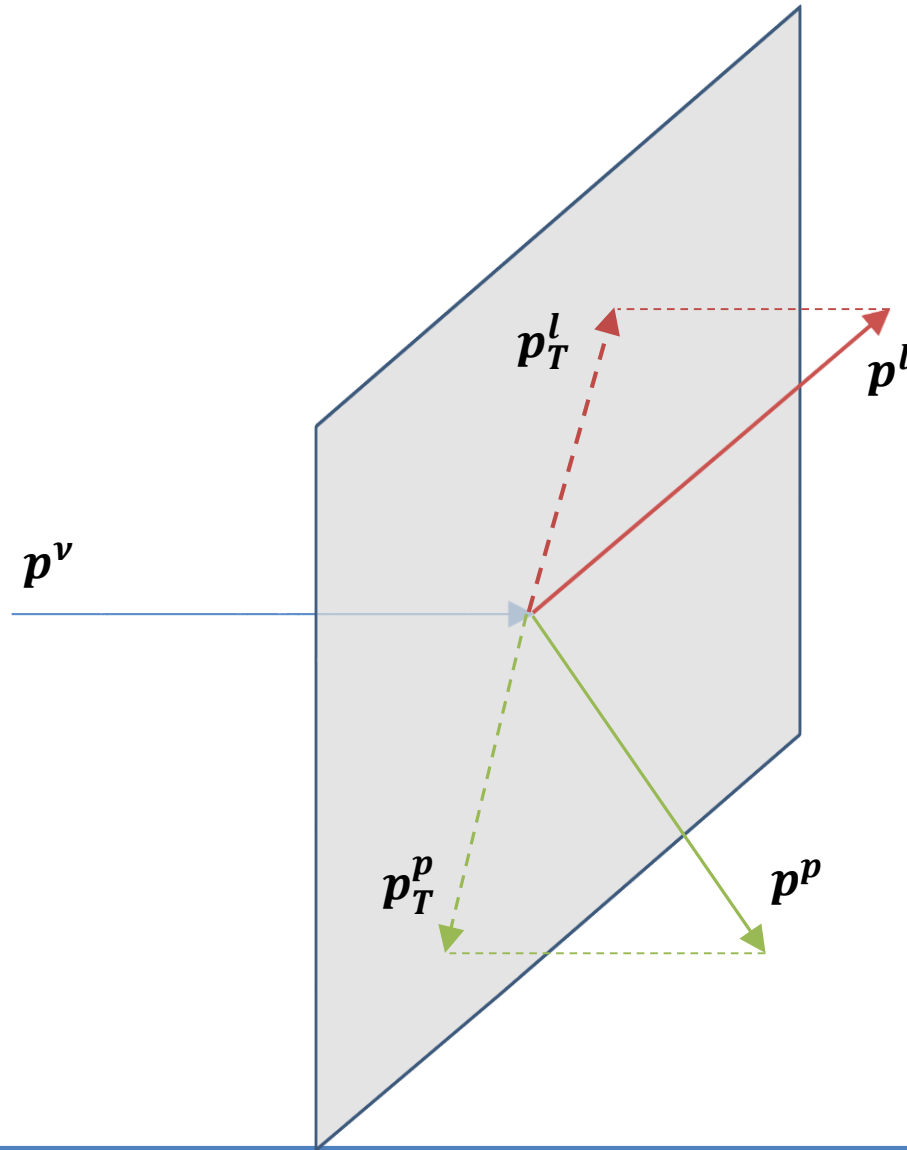
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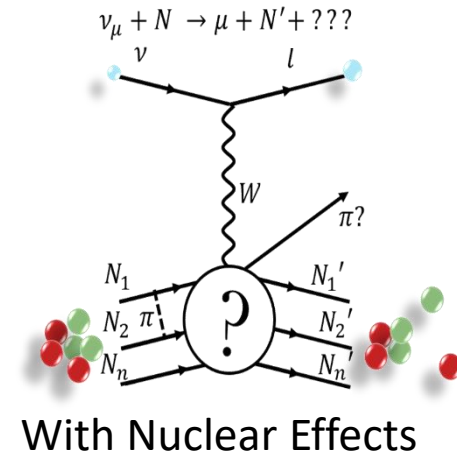
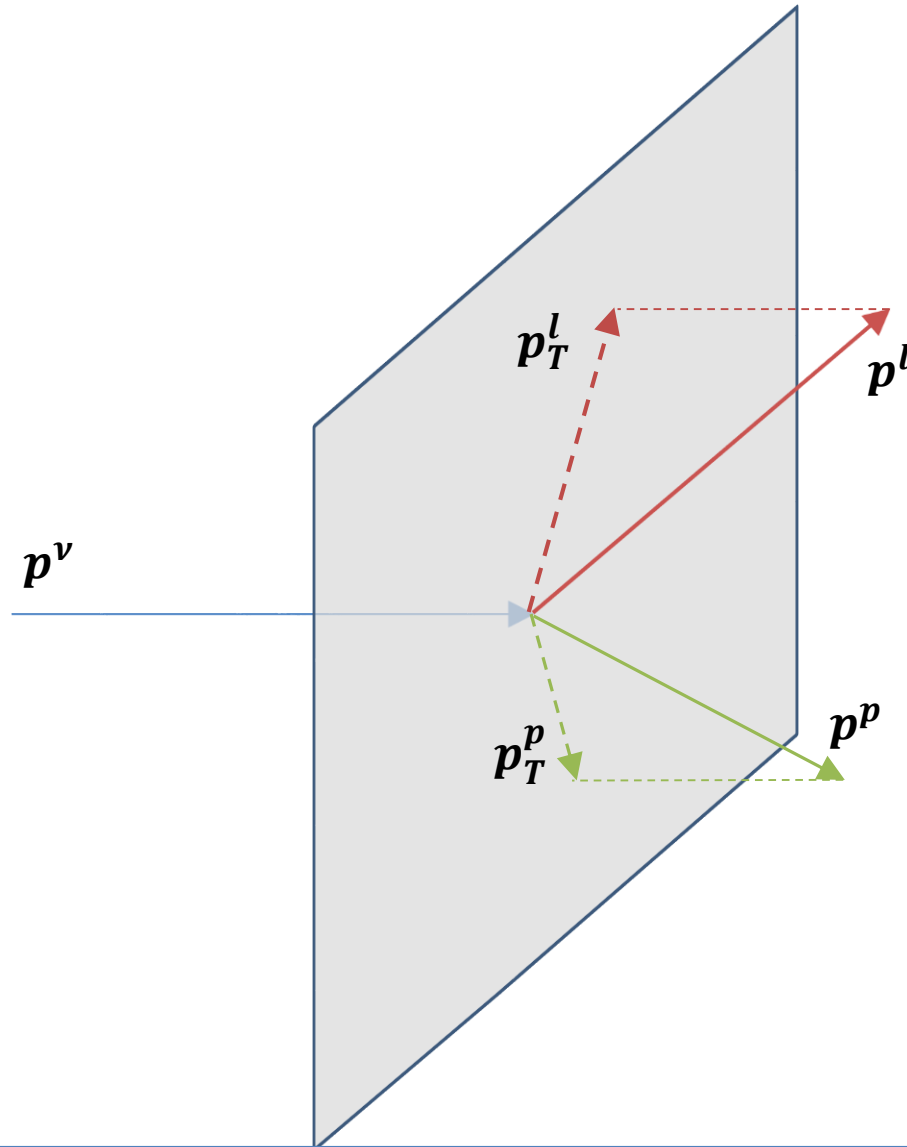


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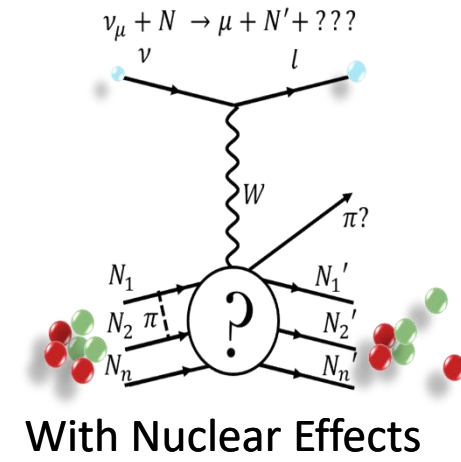
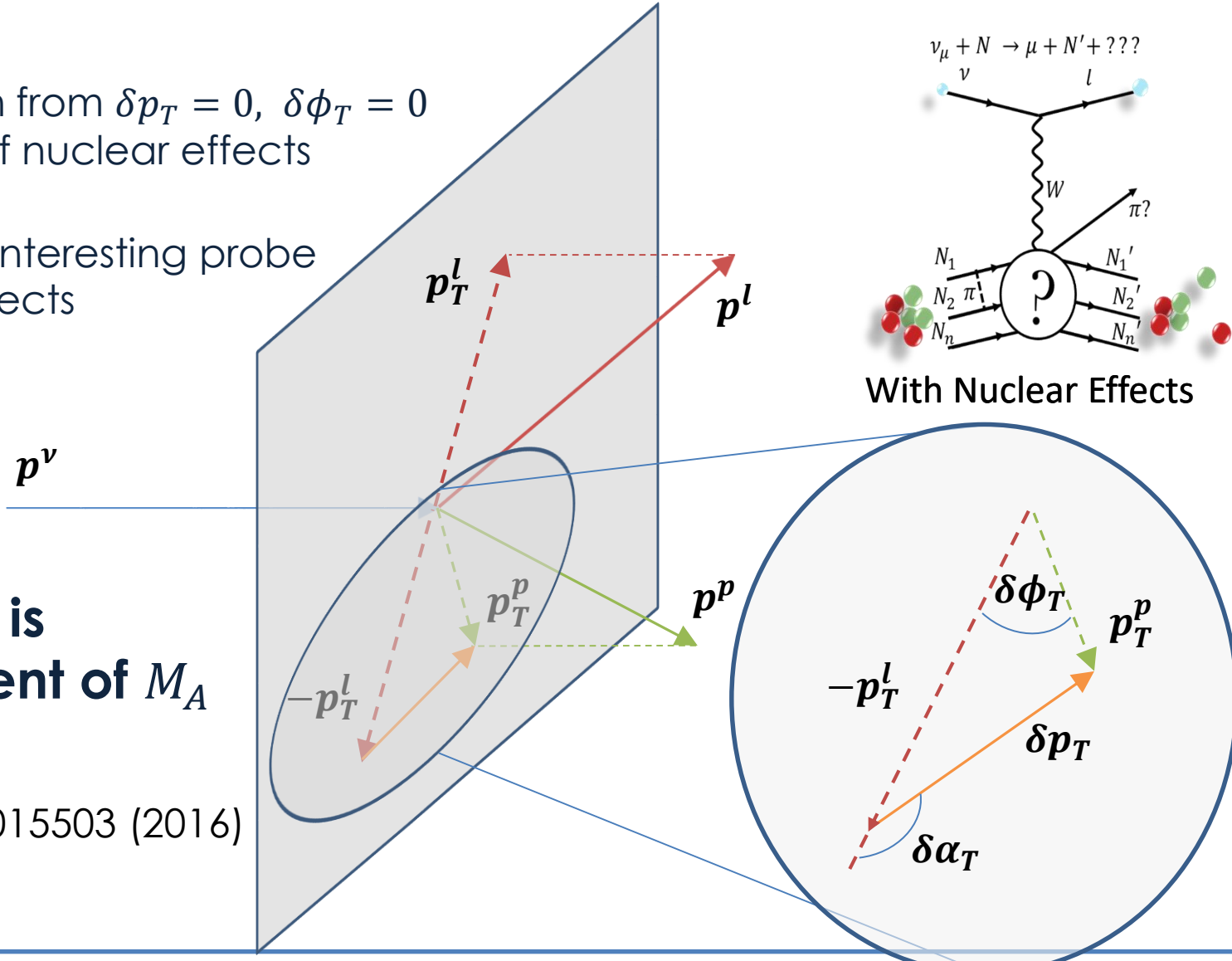
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Single Transverse Variables

- Any deviation from $\delta p_T = 0$, $\delta\phi_T = 0$ is indicative of nuclear effects
- STVs offer an interesting probe of nuclear effects
- STV shape is independent of M_A**

Phys. Rev. C **94**, 015503 (2016)



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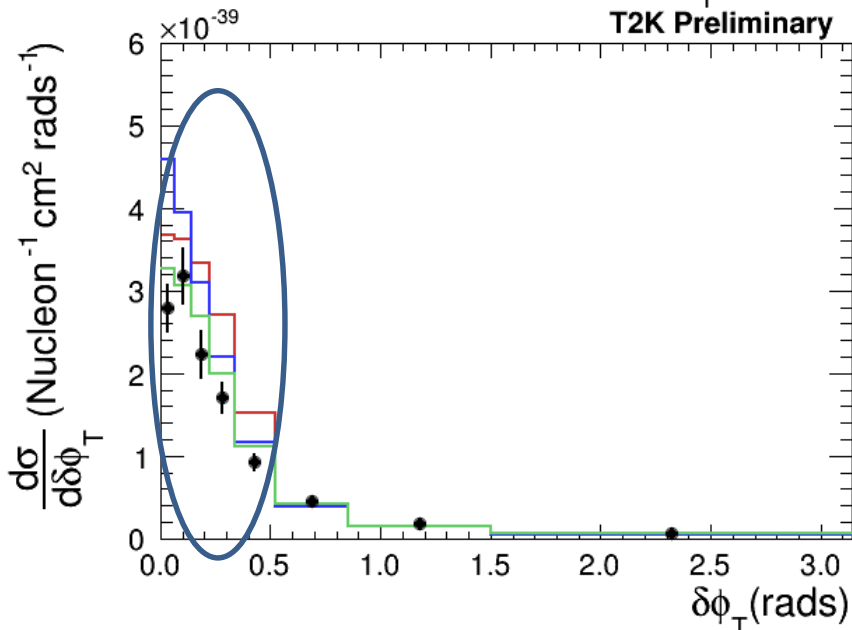
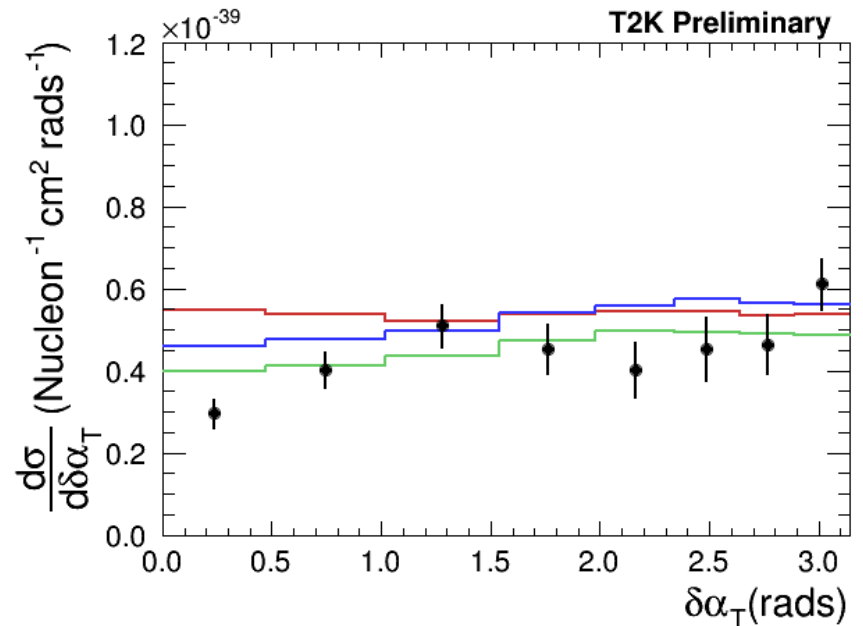
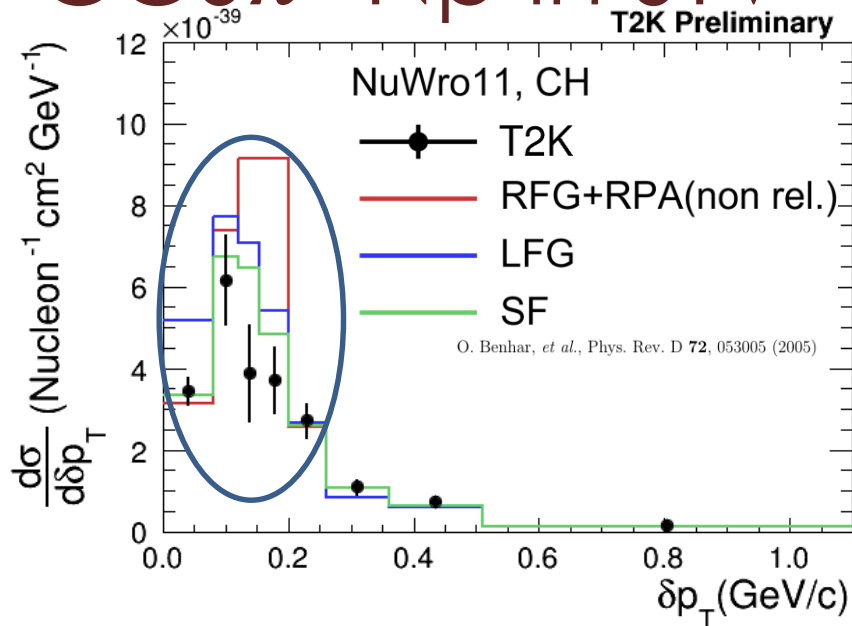
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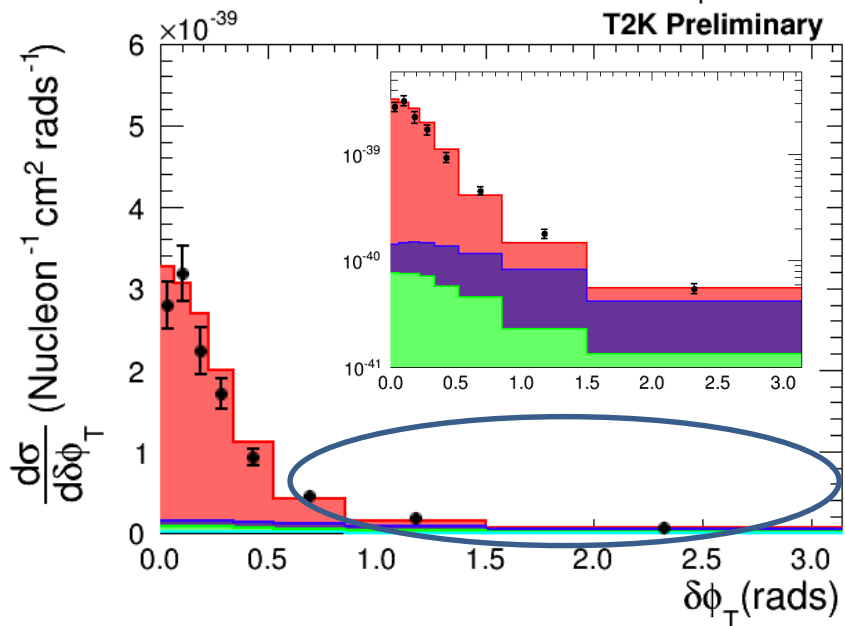
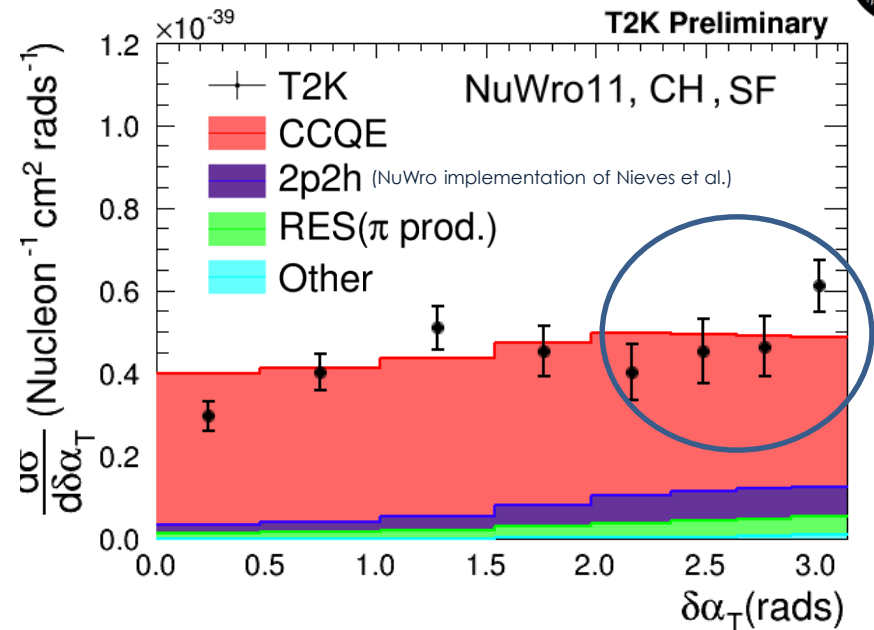
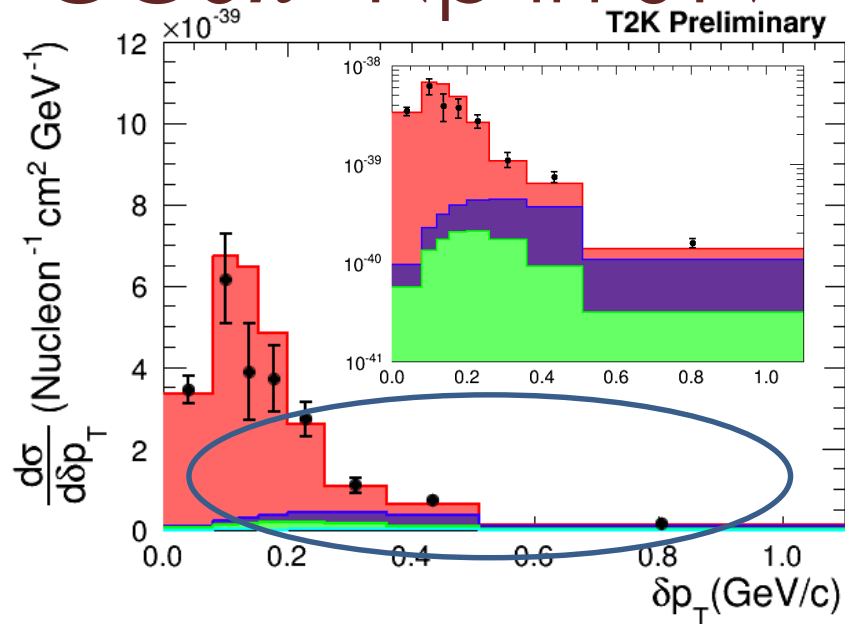
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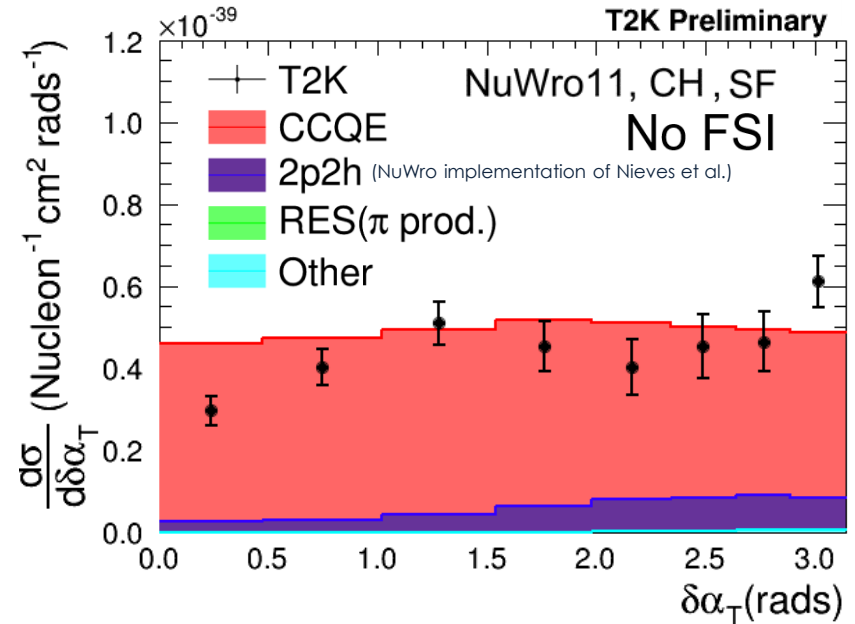
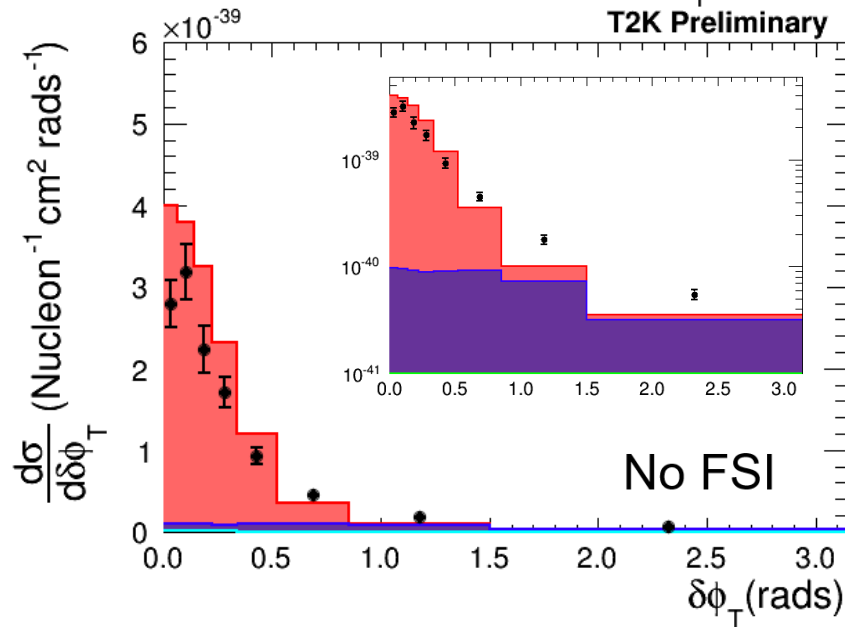
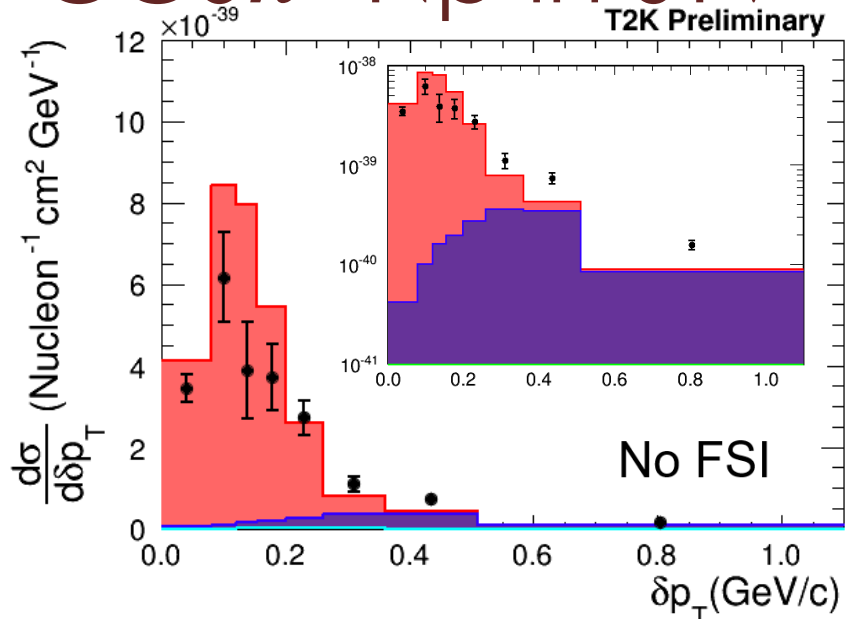
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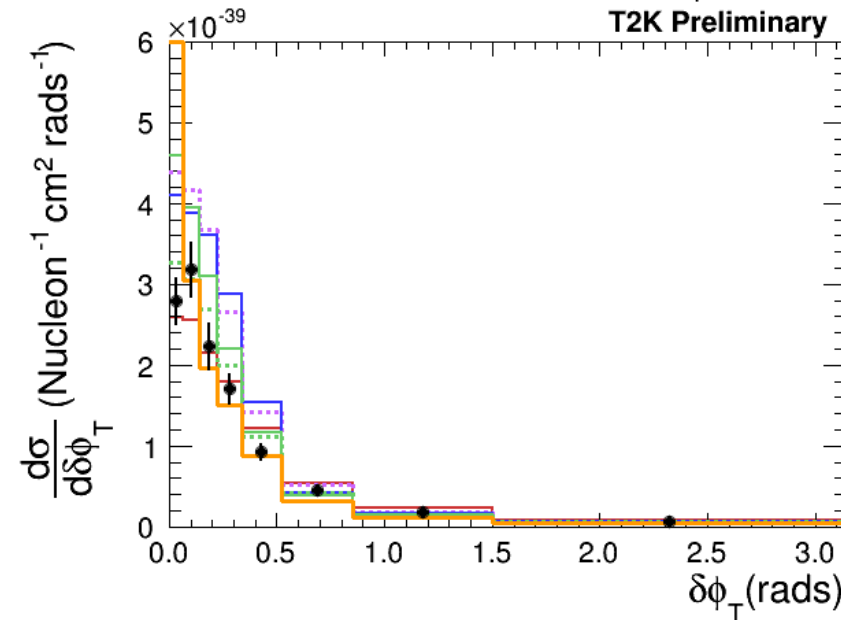
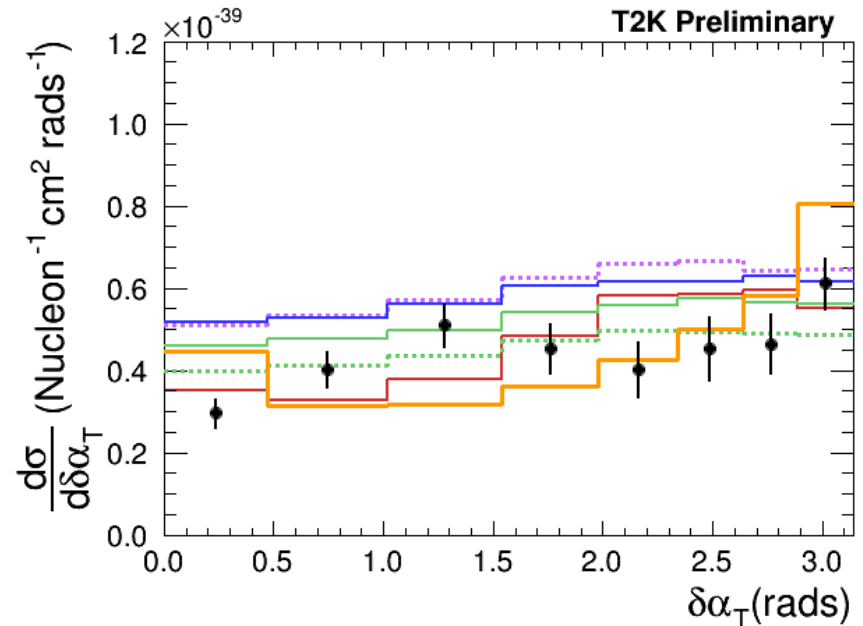
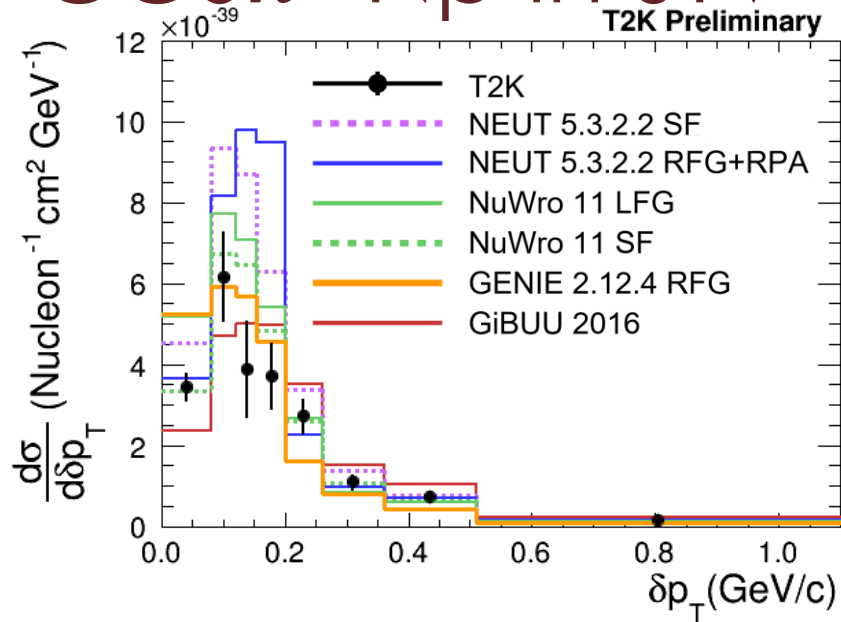
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- Weaker **FSI** causes a relative deficit of events in the tails, but an increased normalisation.

CC0 π +Np in STV



Generator Comparisons

- Plenty of separation
- Result disfavours a `Fermi cliff' in δp_T
- GENIE shape in first bin of each STV related to FSI model ("hA")
- Nuclear effect isolation

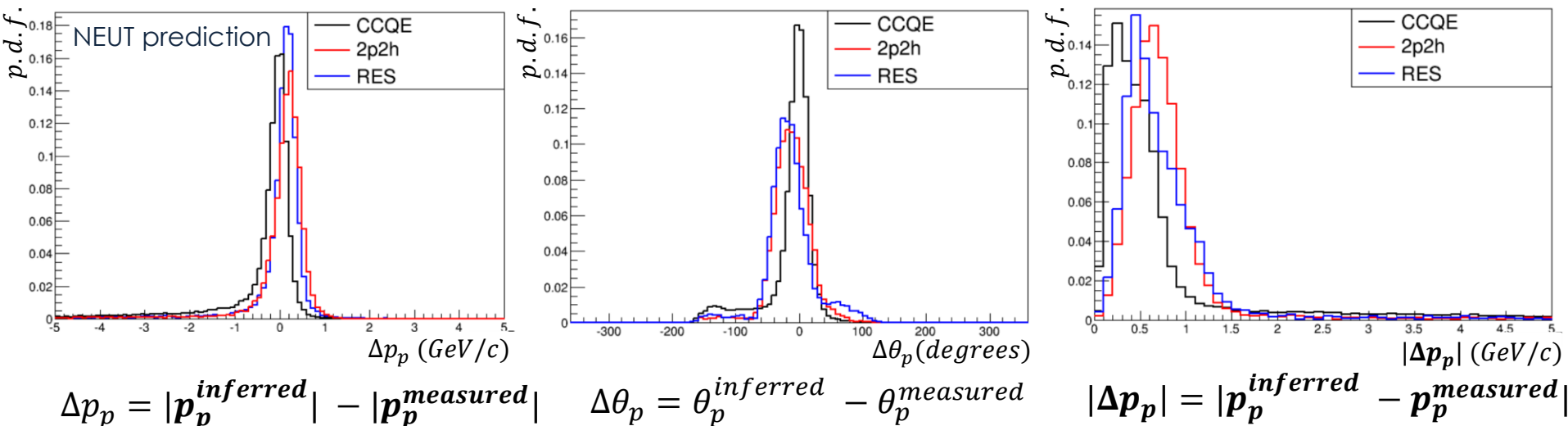
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CC0 π and inferred kinematic imbalance

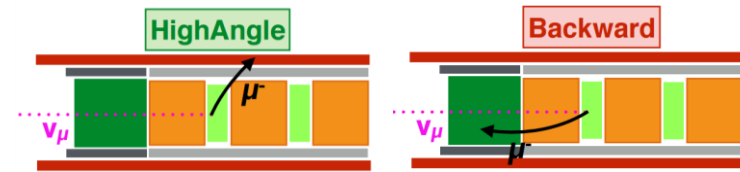
- Under **stationary target** and **elastic scattering** assumptions can infer proton kinematics from measured μ
- Non-zero imbalance between inference and measured proton indicates presence of nuclear effects or CC-non-QE interaction
- Measure (using FGD1 as a CH target with TPCs for tracking):



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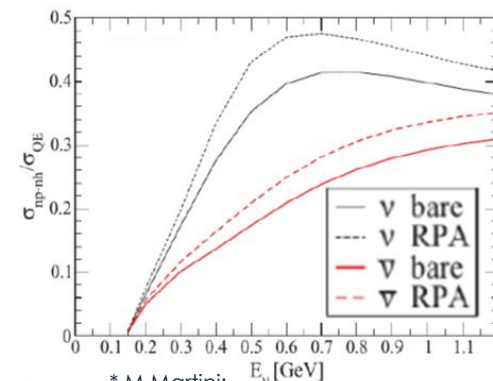
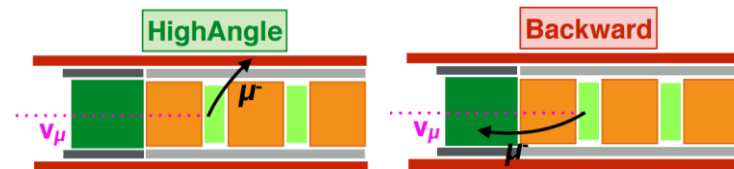
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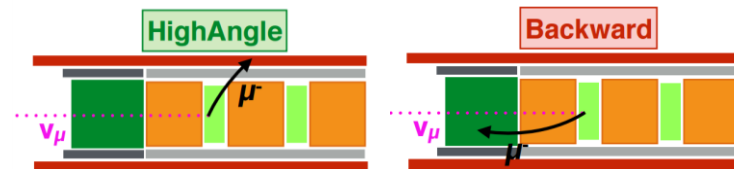


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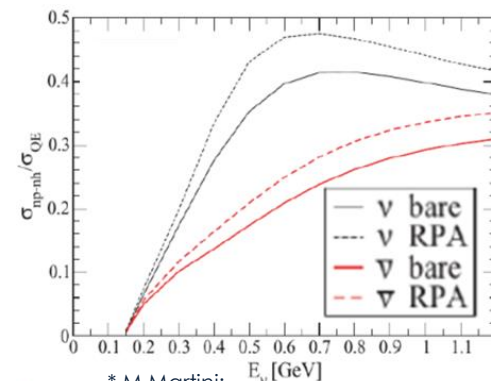
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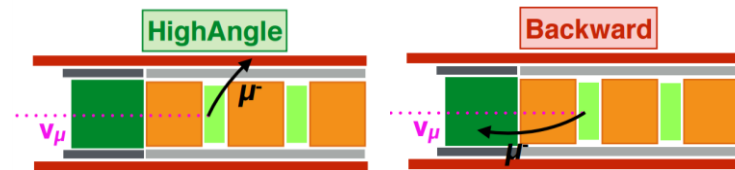
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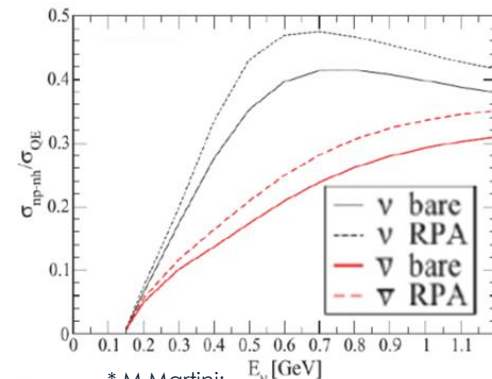
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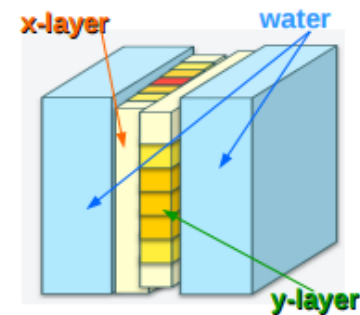
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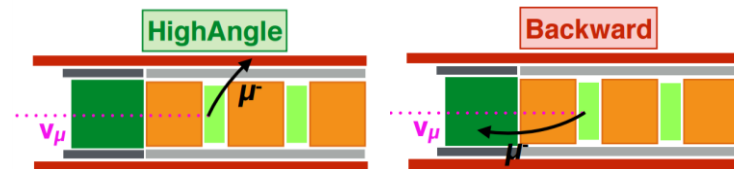
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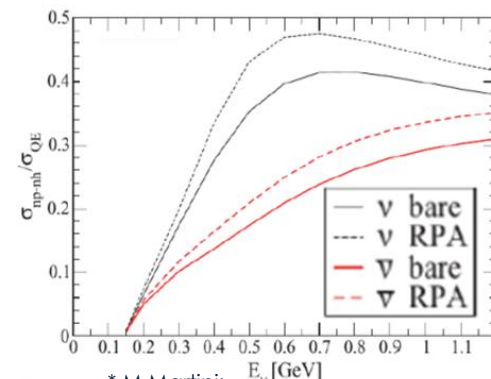
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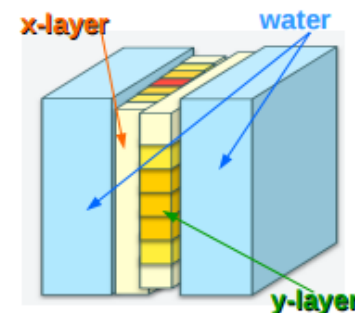
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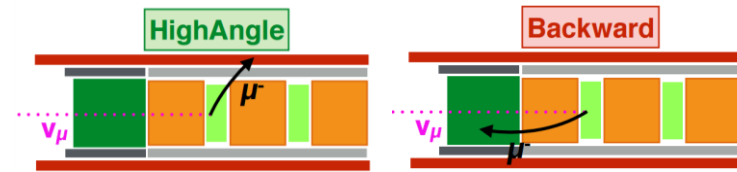


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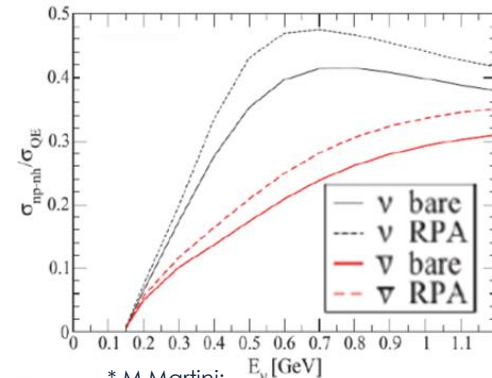


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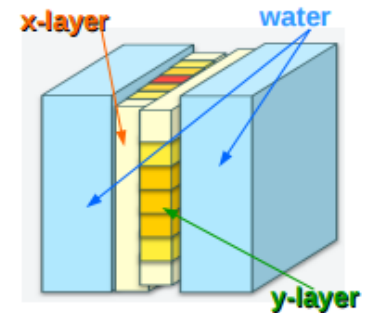
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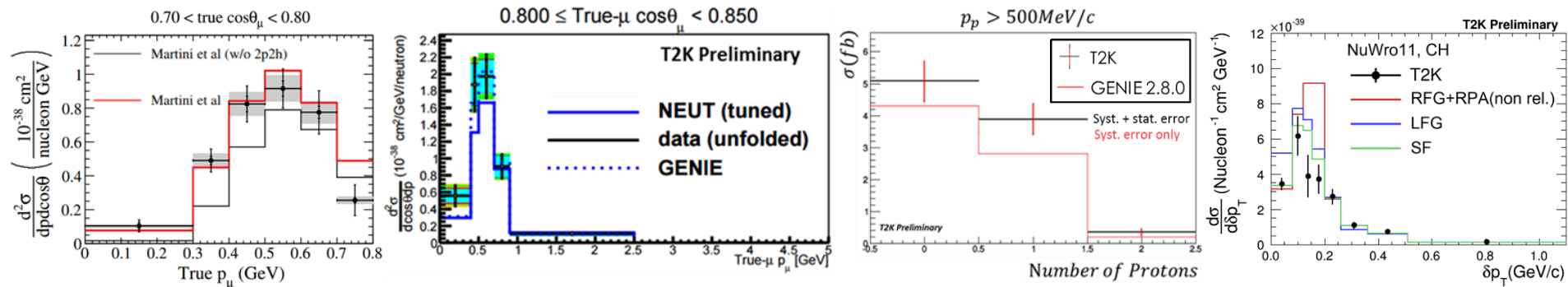
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- **Combine it all!**

Detector: FGD1+2 (+ INGRID) **Target:** CH+H₂O **Signal:** $CC0\pi$ (+Np) **Variables:** ???

Summary

- T2K is measuring cross sections of exclusive final-state topologies
- New techniques in use to complement each other and existing results
 - Analyses specifically engineered to probe nuclear effects
- T2K has made its first measurements using **proton kinematics**
 - Including a measure of **single-transverse kinematic imbalance**
 - Interesting model separation and nuclear effect isolation
- Many more results coming soon!



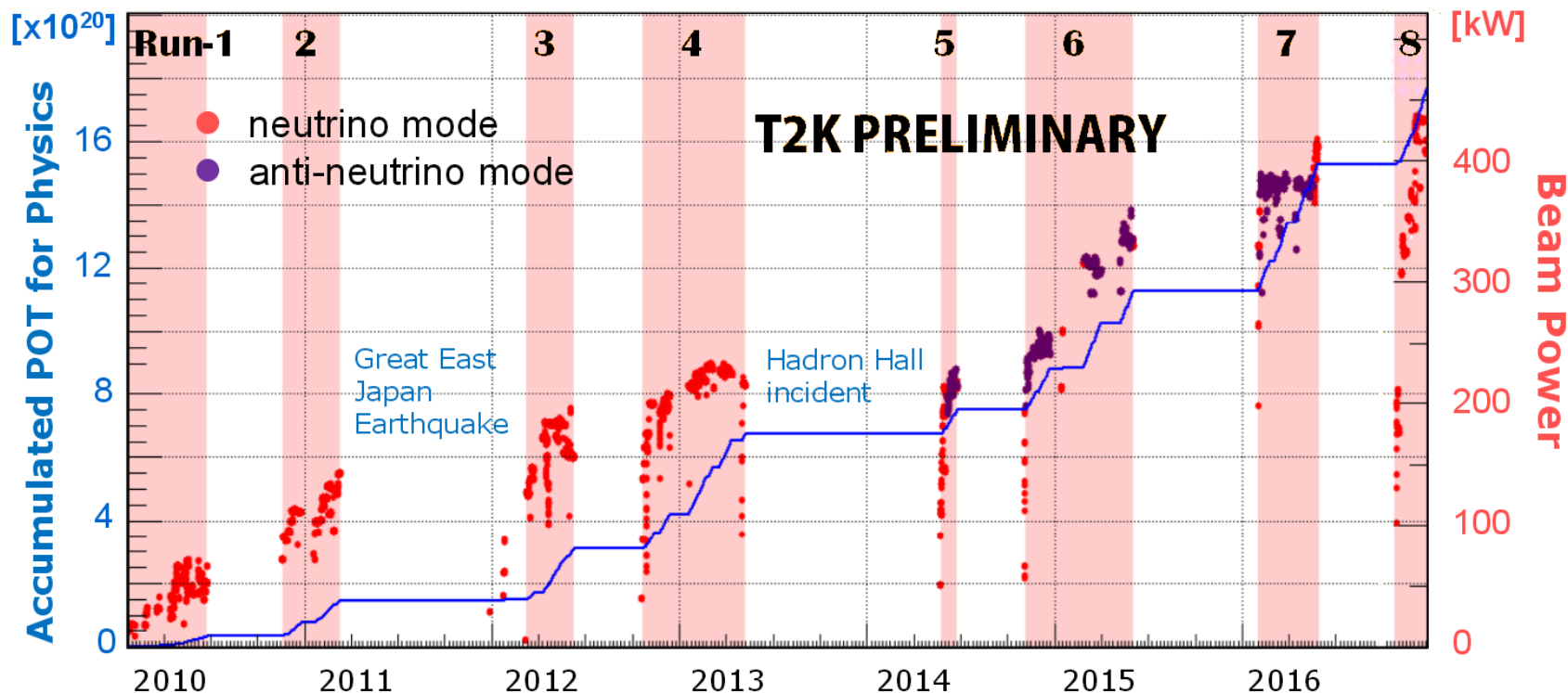
Thank you for listening



BACKUPS

Data Collection

(POT = Protons On Target)



- Continuous rise in beam power from ~225 kW (2014) to ~450 kW (2017)
- Using this to make world leading measurements of oscillation parameters (see talk by Raj Shah)

ν -Interactions and Osc. Analysis

Fractional error on the number of expected events at SK with and without ND280

	ν_μ sample 1R $_\mu$ FHC	ν_e sample 1R $_e$ FHC	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$ sample 1R $_\mu$ RHC	$\bar{\nu}_e$ sample 1R $_e$ RHC
ν flux w/o ND280	7,6%	8,9%	7,1%	8,0%
ν flux with ND280	3,6%	3,6%	3,8%	3,8%
ν cross section w/o ND280	7,7%	7,2%	9,3%	10,1%
ν cross section with ND280	4,1%	5,1%	4,2%	5,5%
ν flux+cross section	2,9%	4,2%	3,4%	4,6%
Final or secondary hadron int.	1,5%	2,5%	2,1%	2,5%
Super-K detector	3,9%	2,4%	3,3%	3,1%
Total w/o ND280	12,0%	11,9%	12,5%	13,7%
Total with ND280	5,0%	5,4%	5,2%	6,2%

- Largest systematic uncertainty comes from neutrino interaction uncertainties

Neutrino Interactions and OA

- Oscillation analysis (OA) requires E_ν spectrum (or similar)

$$N_{pred}(E_\nu^{reco}) = \Phi(E_\nu^{true}) \sigma(E_\nu^{true}) P(\alpha \rightarrow \beta, E_\nu^{true}) \epsilon(E_\nu^{true}) S(E_\nu^{true}, E_\nu^{reco})$$

$N_{pred}(E_\nu^{reco})$ = Expected number of events

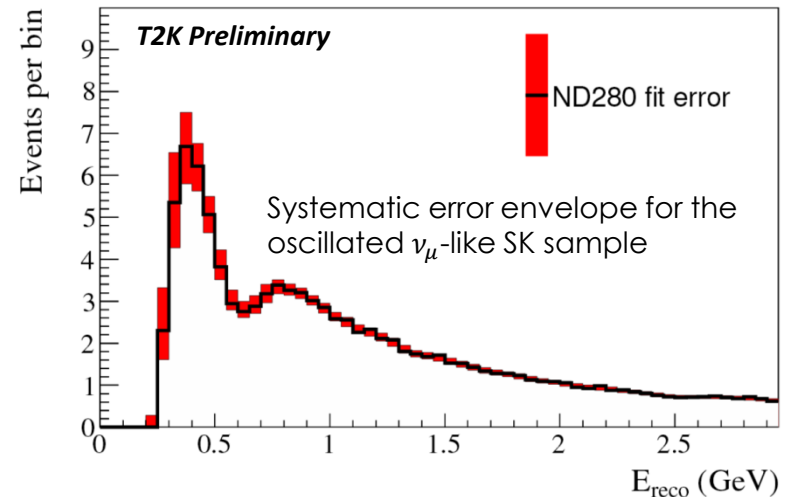
$\Phi(E_\nu^{true})$ = Neutrino flux

$\sigma(E_\nu^{true})$ = Interaction cross sections

$P(\alpha \rightarrow \beta, E_\nu^{true})$ = Oscillation probability

$\epsilon(E_\nu^{true})$ = Selection efficiency

$S(E_\nu^{true}, E_\nu^{reco})$ = Smearing matrix



- Our largest OA systematic comes from neutrino interaction uncertainties (4%-6% out of 5%-7%)

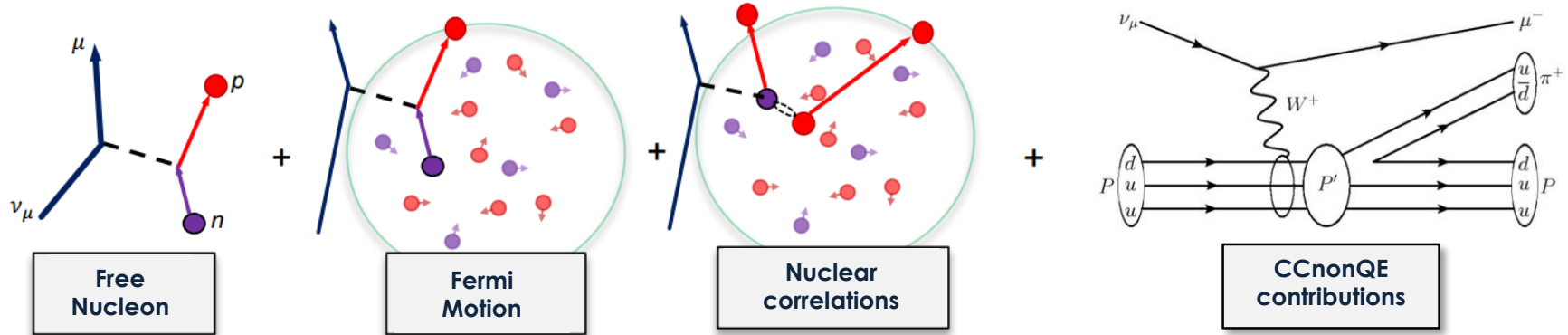
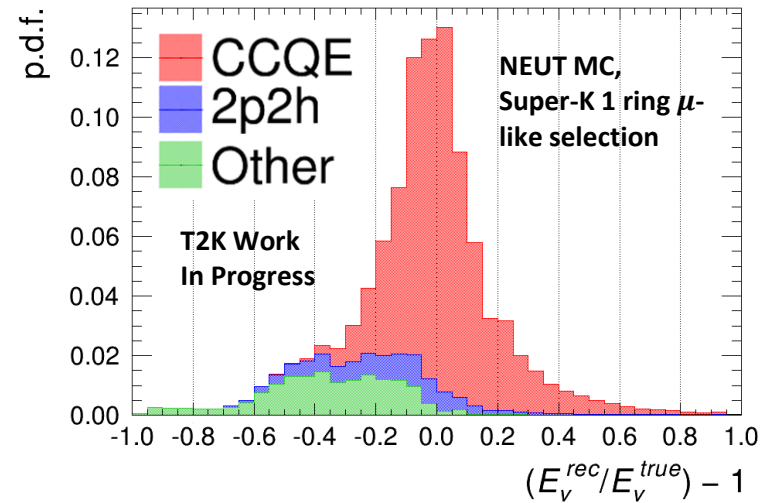
Neutrino Interactions and OA

- Find E_ν^{reco} using observed μ at SK assuming **stationary target** and **elastic scattering**

$$E_\nu^{reco} = \frac{m_p^2 - m_n^2 - m_\mu^2 + 2m_n E_\mu}{2(m_n - E_\mu + p_\mu \cos(\theta_\mu))}$$

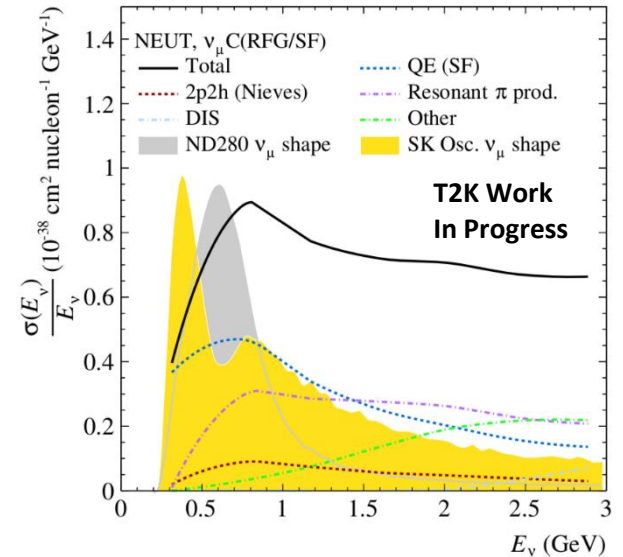
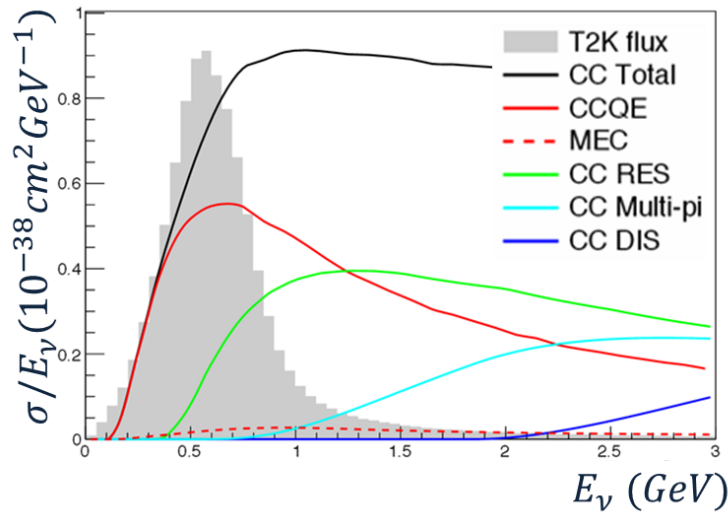
Bias due to:

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- Nucleon-nucleon correlations
- CCnonQE contamination in the selection.

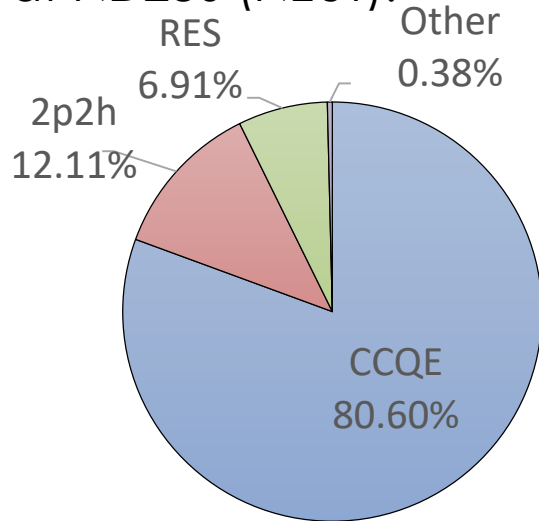


Diagrams by Patrick Stowell

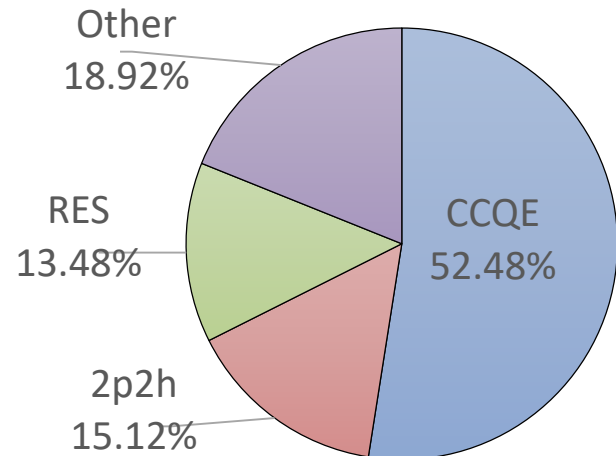
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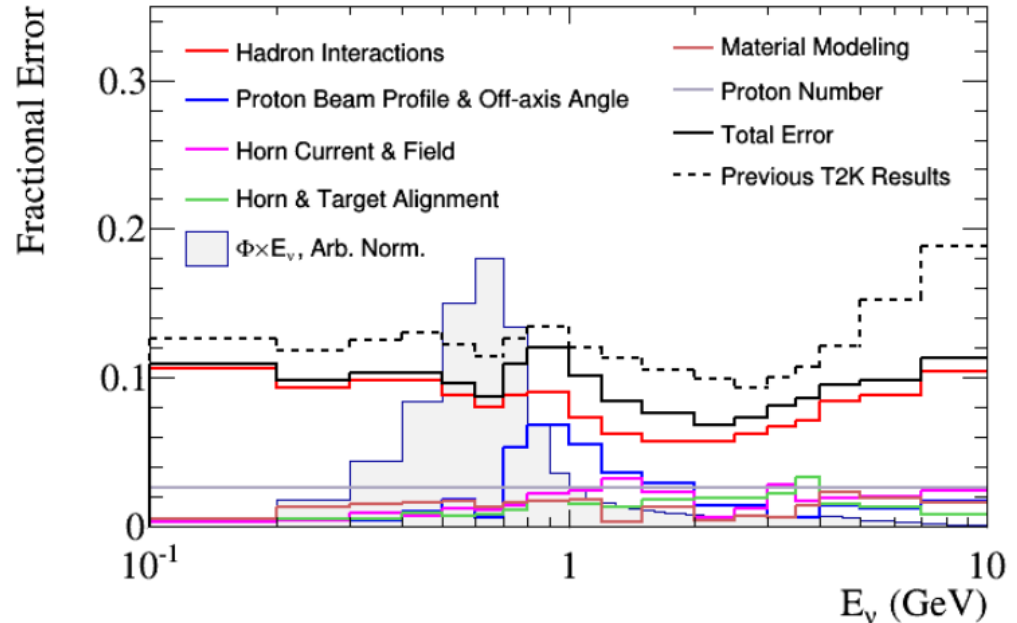
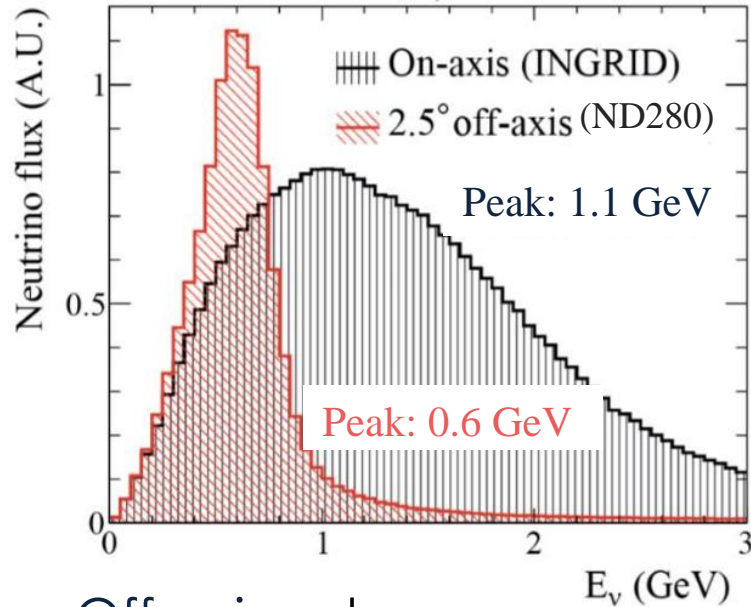
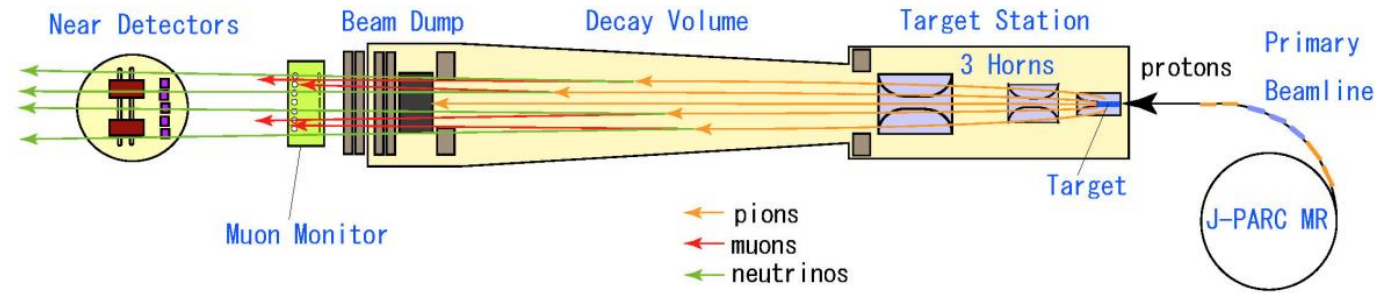
Interaction Modes in all $\text{CC}0\pi$ events at ND280 (NEUT):



Interaction Modes in selected 1 ring μ -like events at SuperK(NEUT):



The Flux



- Off-axis ν_μ beam
 - Tightly-peaked at 600 MeV 2.5° off-axis towards SK
 - Low contamination from non- ν_μ components
 - Flux estimation aided by hadron production measurements from NA61/SHINE at CERN

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ND280 (off axis near detector)

On Axis ~ 1.1 GeV

Peak E_ν

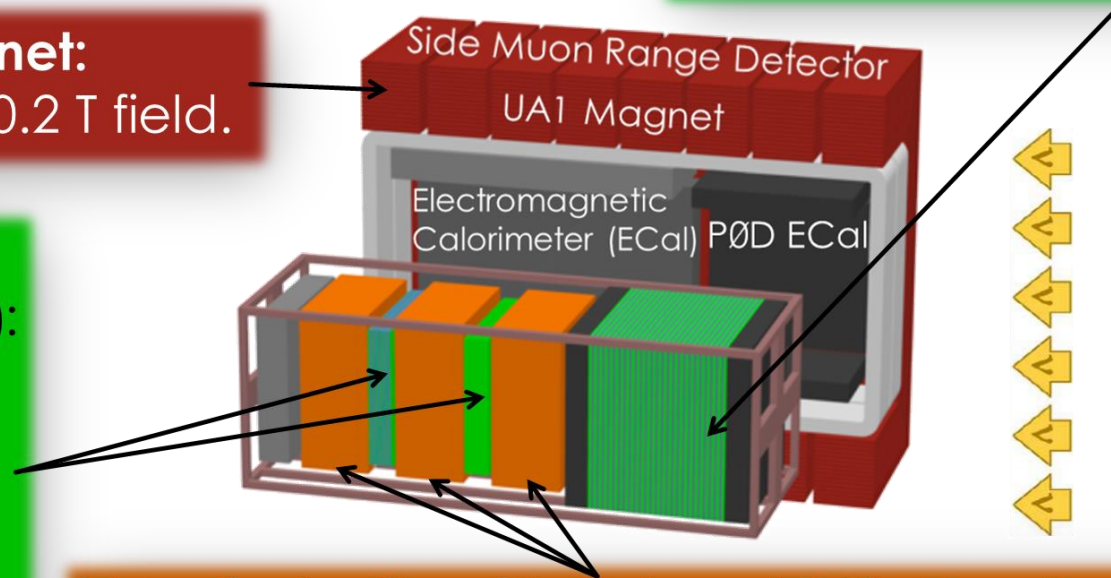
Off Axis ~ 0.6 GeV

π^0 detector (PØD):
Interwoven heavy targets, scintillator and drainable water bags affords water subtraction measurements.

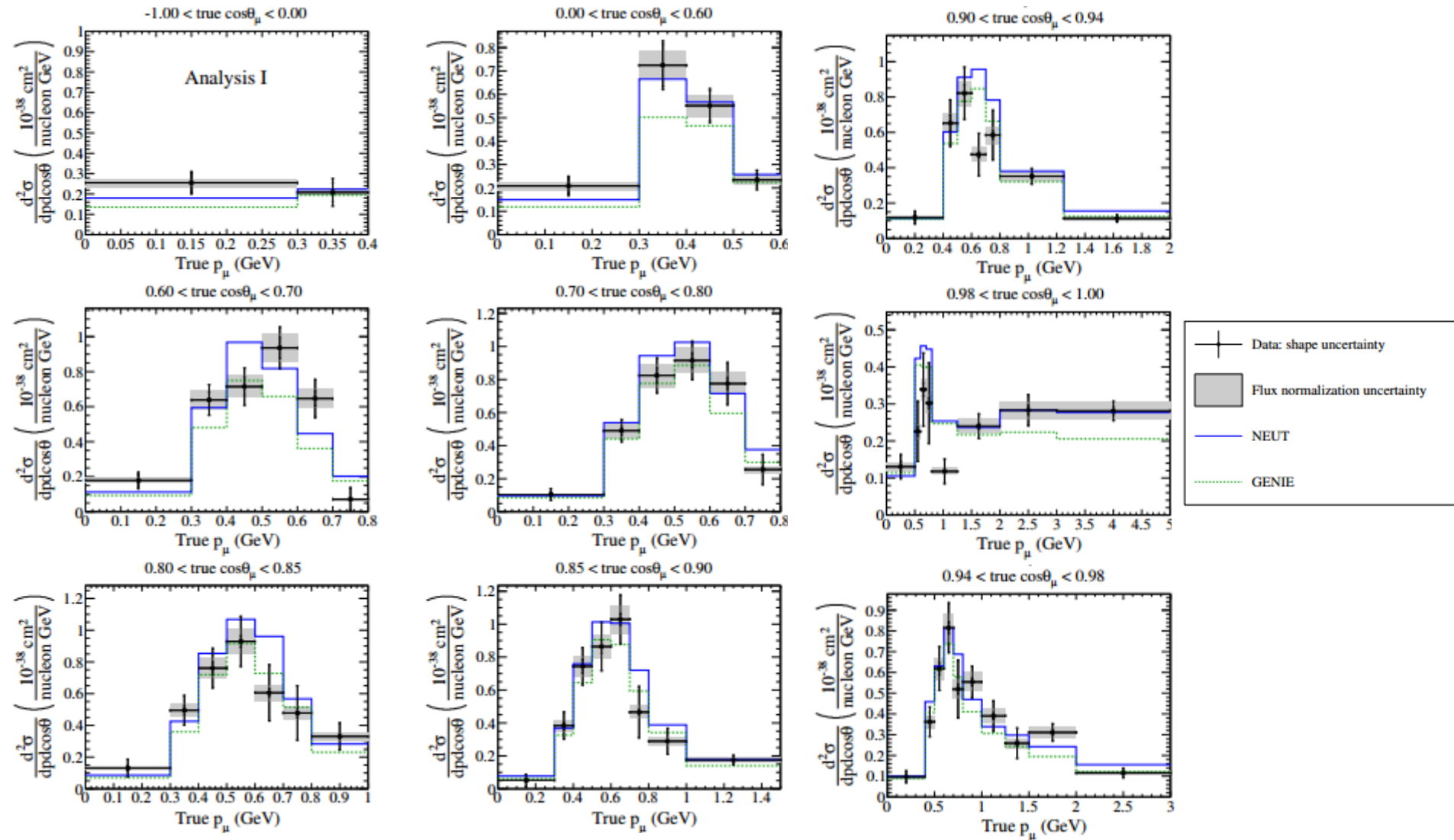
UA1 Magnet:
Provides 0.2 T field.

Fine-Grained Detectors (FGD 1/2):
Polycarbonate scintillator bars provide tracking & target mass. FGD 2 also contains water target layers.

Time Projection Chambers (TPC): Excellent tracking allows high-resolution charged-particle momenta and accurate particle ID.



ND280 Off-Axis $CC0\pi$ Result



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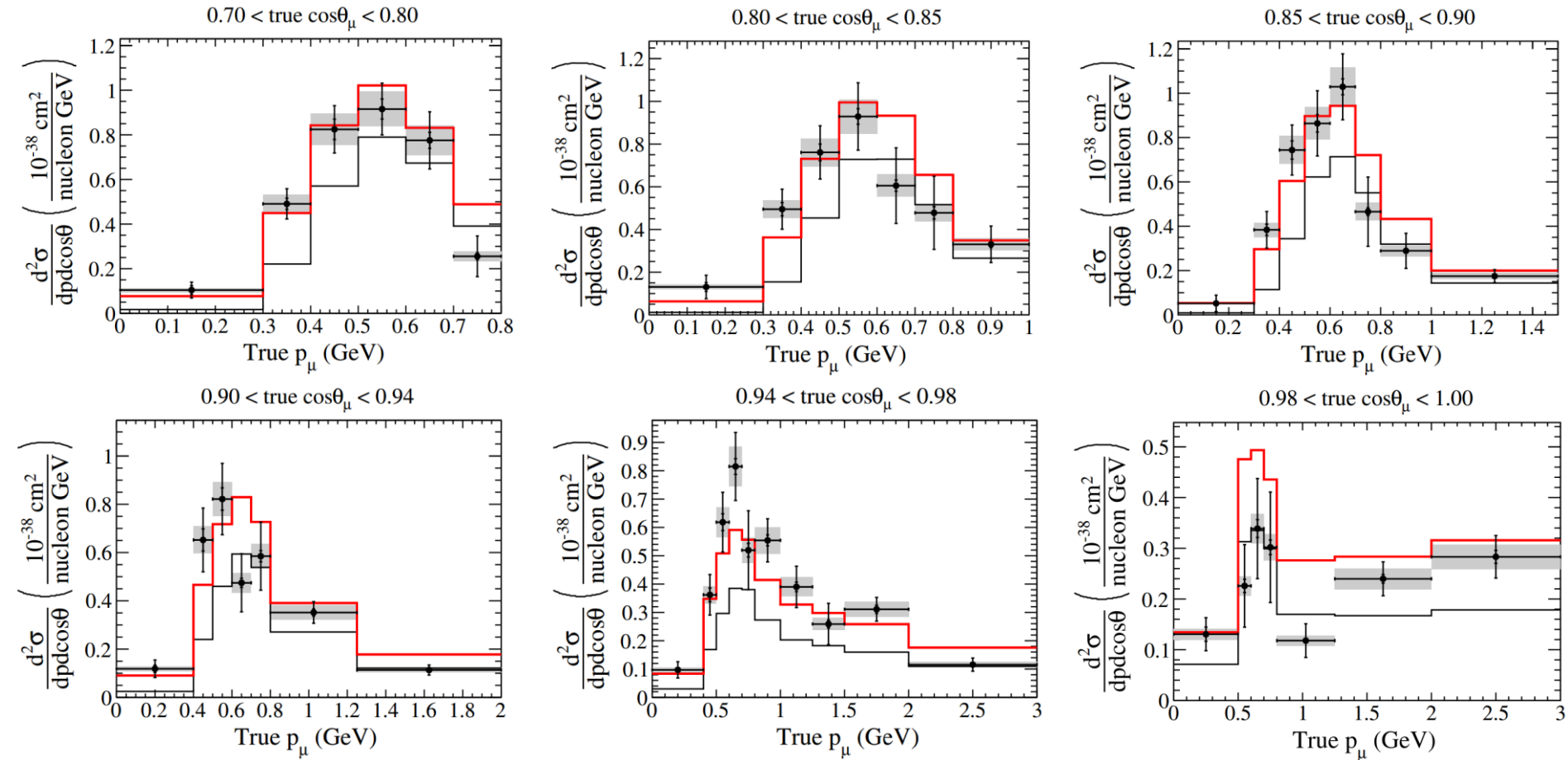
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Signal: $CC0\pi$

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ND280 Off-Axis $CC0\pi$ Result

- Results compared to Martini *et al.* model **with(red)/without(black)** 2p2h
- Data prefer a 2p2h contribution



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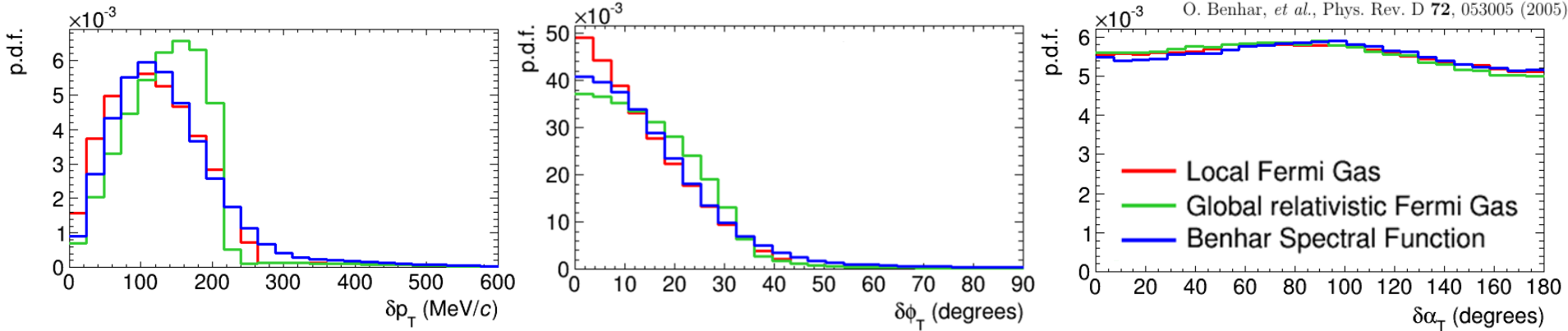
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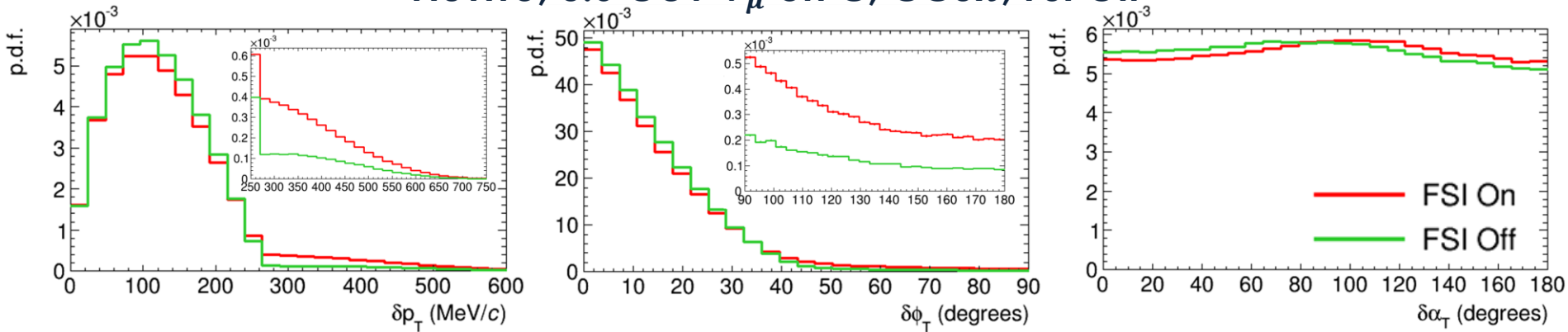
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CC0 π in STV - Fermi Motion and FSI

- Moving from CCQE \rightarrow CC0 π +N p , STV still a probe of nuclear effects



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NuWro, 0.6 GeV ν_μ on C, CC0 π , LFG

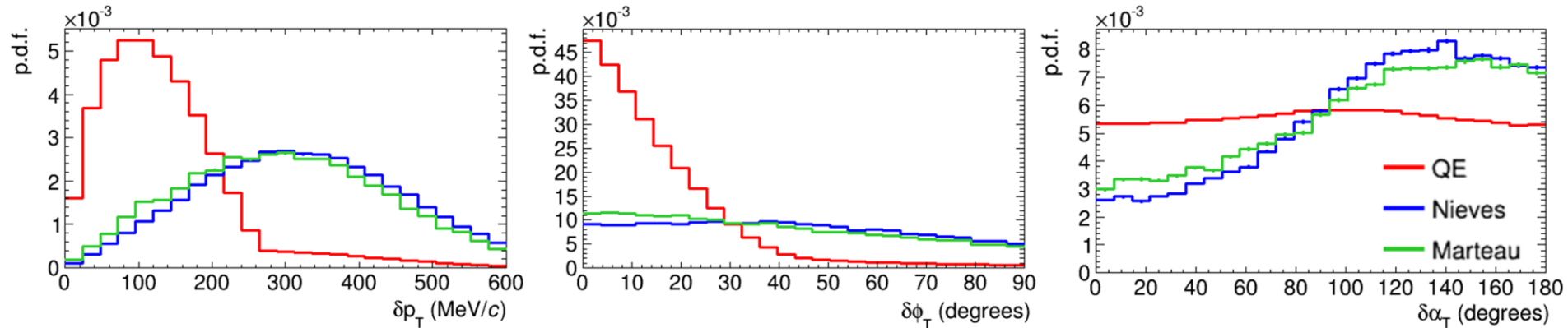
Quasi-real CC0 π selection, keep events within rough ND280 acceptance :

No Pions, 1 Muon, >0 Protons. $p_\mu > 250$ MeV, $p_p > 450$ MeV, $\cos(\theta_\mu) > -0.6$, $\cos(\theta_p) > 0.4$

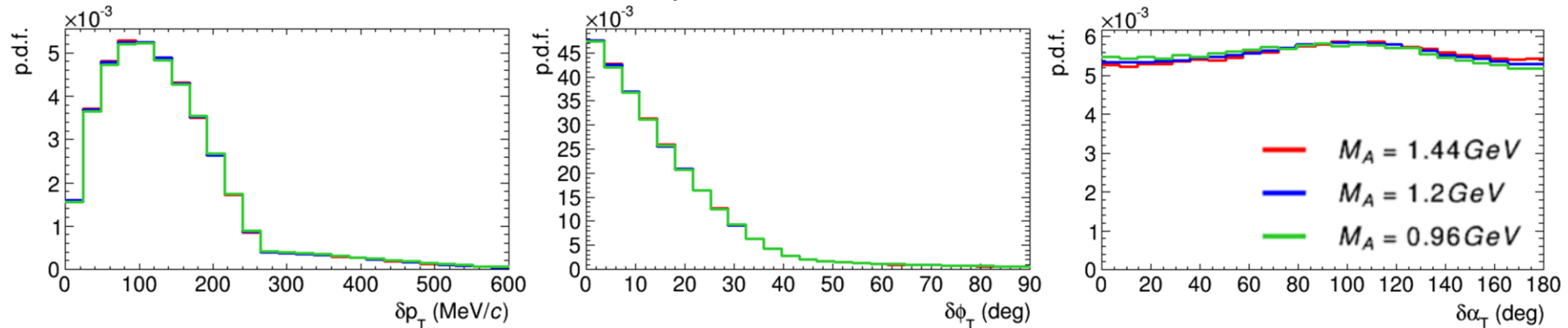
CC0 π in STV - 2p2h and M_A

M. Martini, M. Ericson, G. Chanfray, and J. Marteau, Phys. Rev. C **80**, 065501 (2009)

J. Nieves, I. R. Simo, and M. J. V. Vacas, Phys. Rev. C **83**, 045501 (2011)



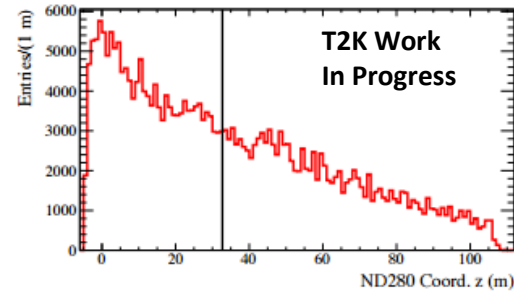
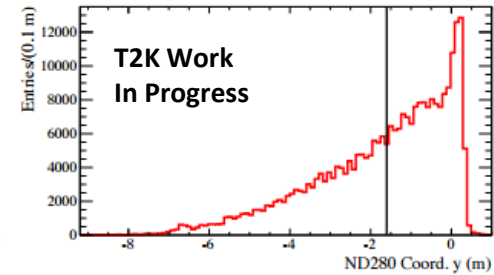
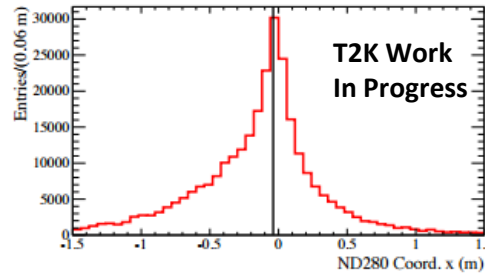
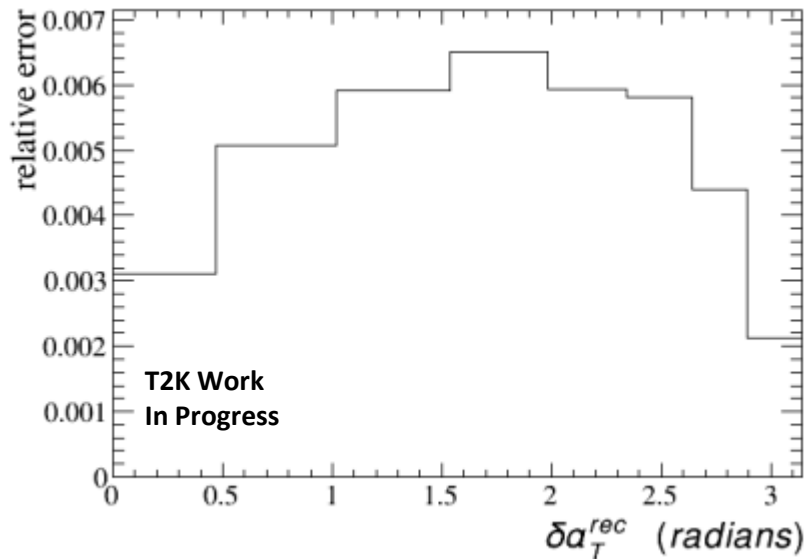
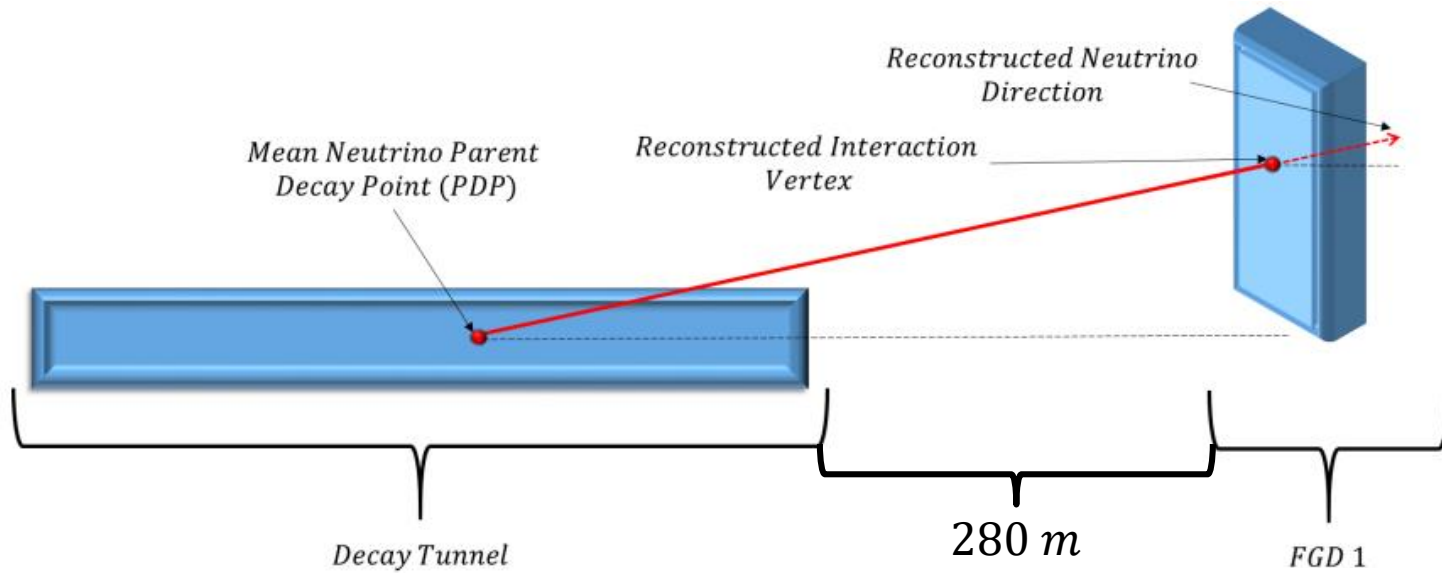
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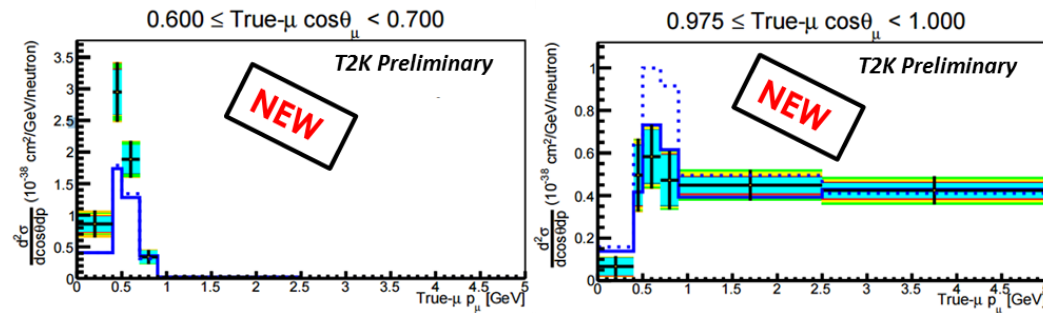
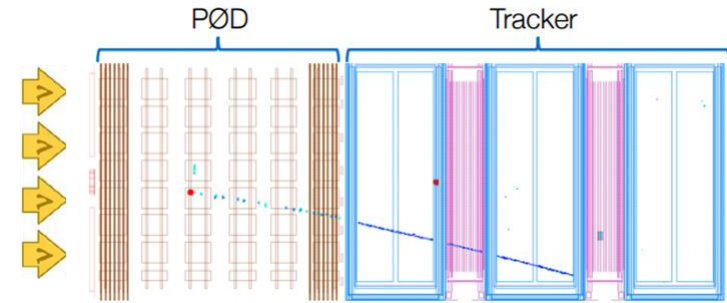
- STV shape invariant with M_A
 - No ambiguity over M_A or nuclear effect contributions (MiniBooNE M_A puzzle)

Reconstructing the Neutrino Direction

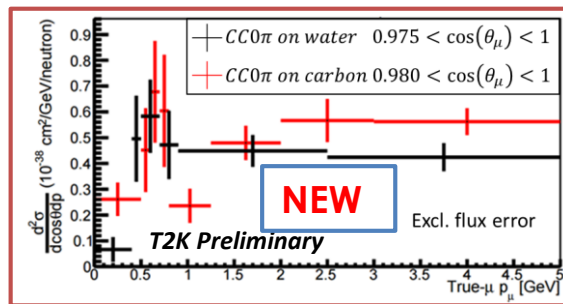
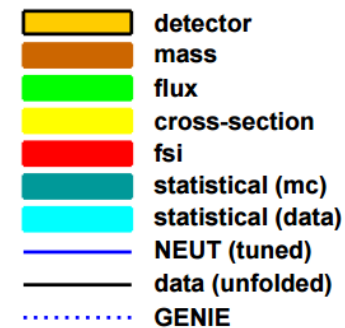


CC0 π water cross section

- Isolate CC0 π events starting in the P \emptyset D, but use TPC for tracking
- Separate data taking periods into when P \emptyset D water target is full/empty
 - Subtract to get water cross section

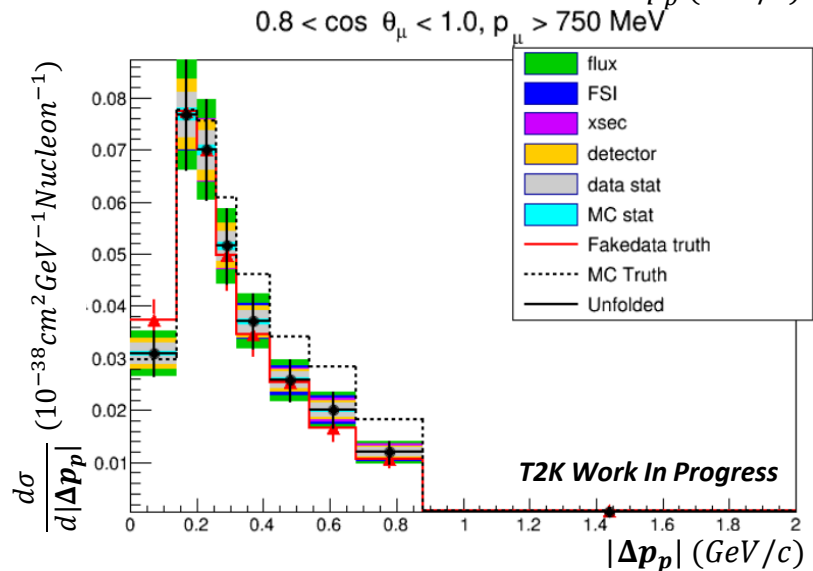
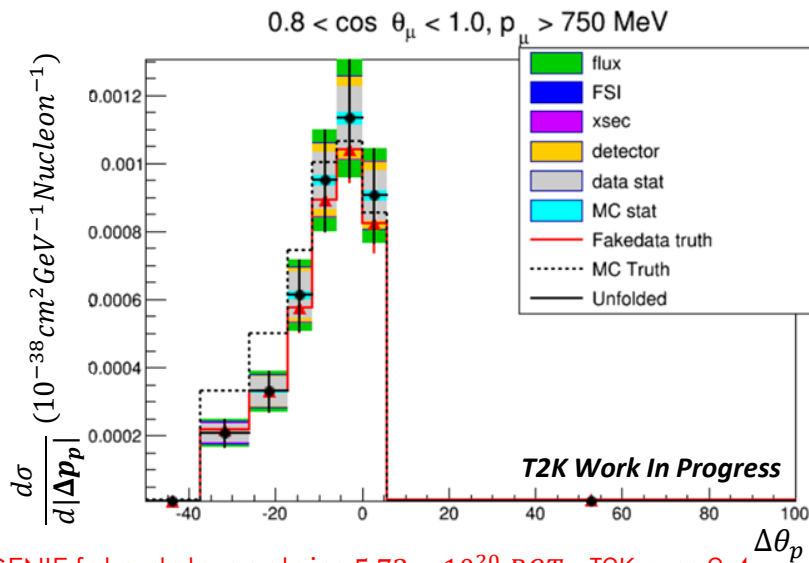
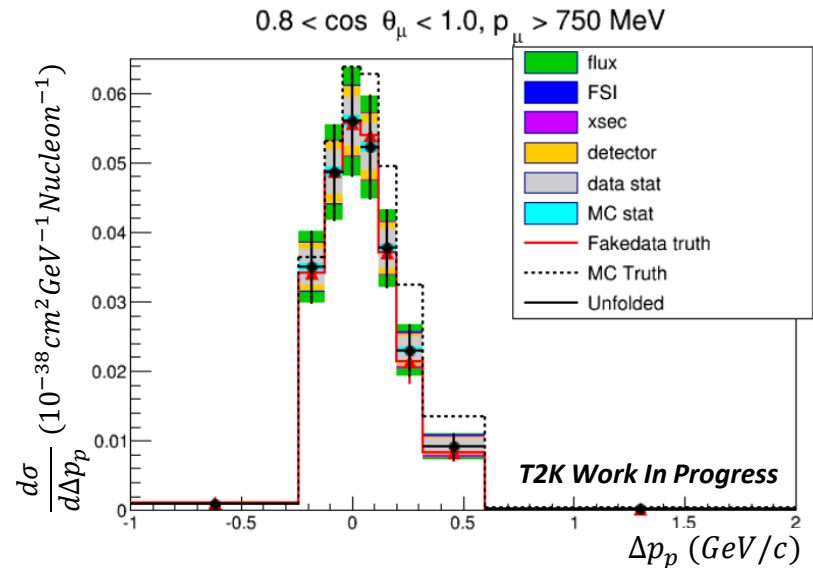


- Construct **CC0 π** flux integrated double-differential cross section in $p_\mu, \cos(\theta_\mu)$
 - Compare MC predictions
- Compare to FGD1 CC0 π on Carbon result
- Similar studies underway using FGD2 water layers to extract Oxygen:Carbon cross section ratio



CC0 π and inferred kinematic imbalance

- Measure inferred kinematics in bins of $p_\mu, \cos(\theta_\mu)$
- Restrict proton phase-space: $p_p > 450 \text{ MeV}/c, \cos(\theta_p) > 0.4$
- **Fake data: GENIE***
- Nominal MC: NEUT



* GENIE fake data contains $5.73 \times 10^{20} \text{ POT}$ ~T2K runs 2-4