



T2K neutrino-nucleus cross-section results

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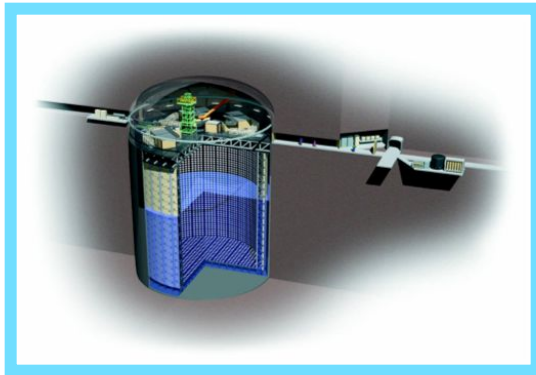
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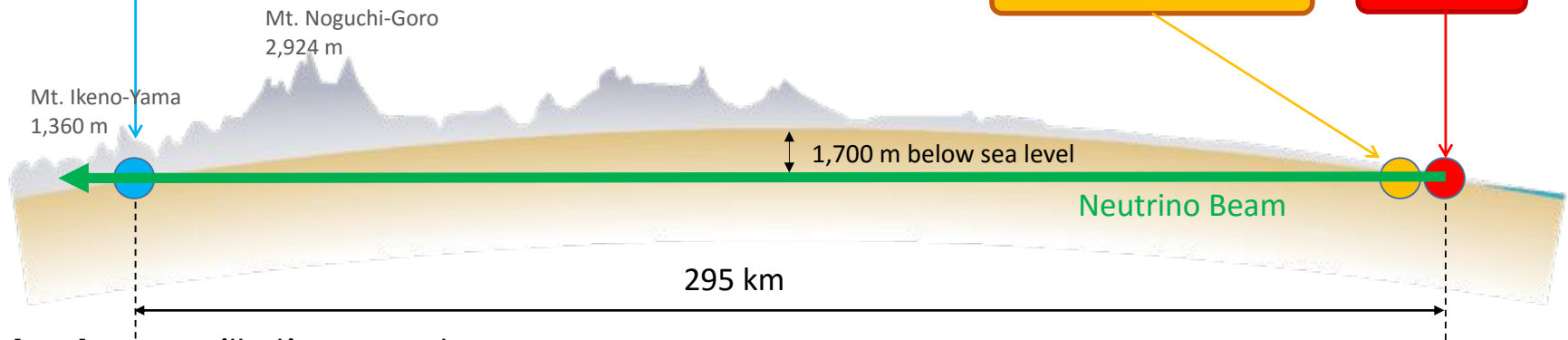
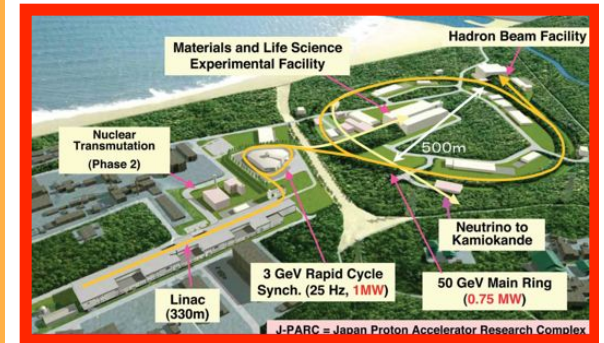
T2K experiment

See E. Zimmerman talk... the first of the conference!

Long-baseline accelerator neutrino oscillation experiment... off-axis!



Super-Kamiokande



Far detector: oscillation analyses

Near detectors:

- Constrain flux and cross-section model before oscillation
- Cross-section measurements in unoscillated beam

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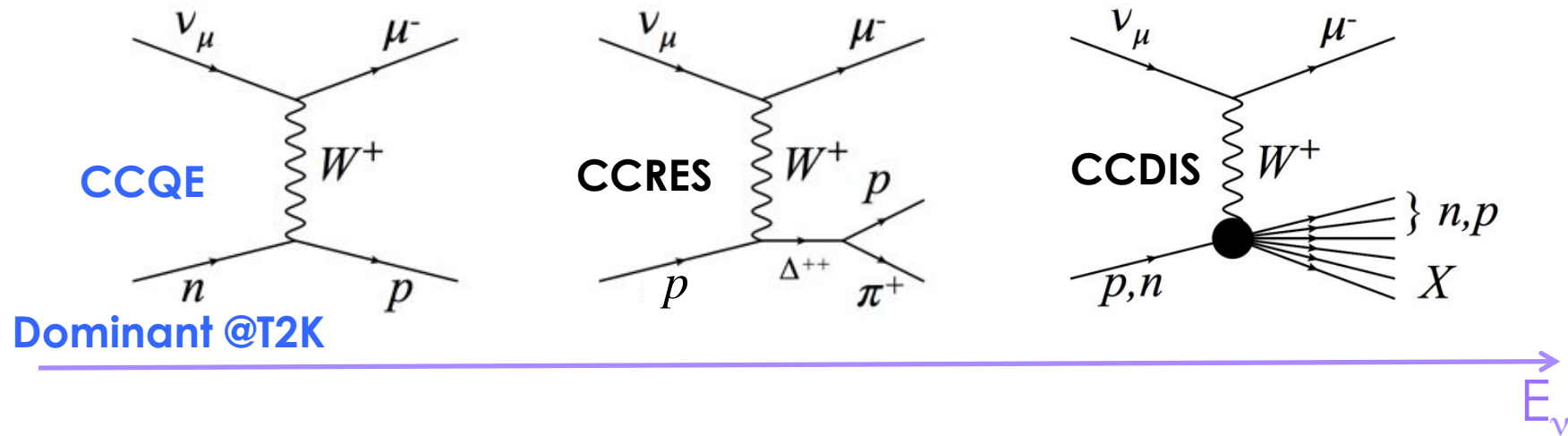
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Near/far ratios don't fully cancel systematics:

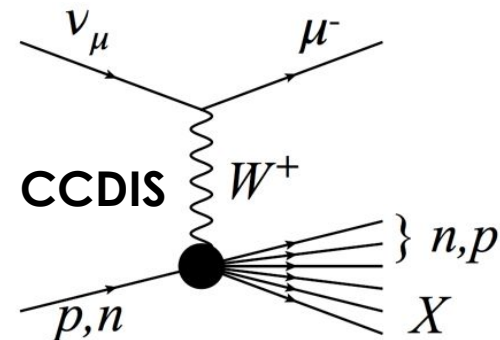
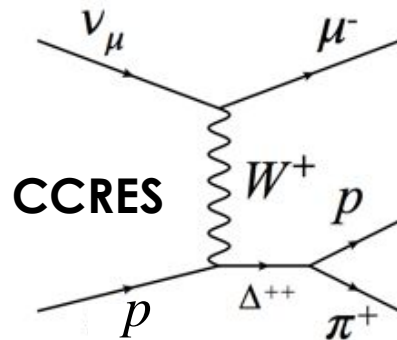
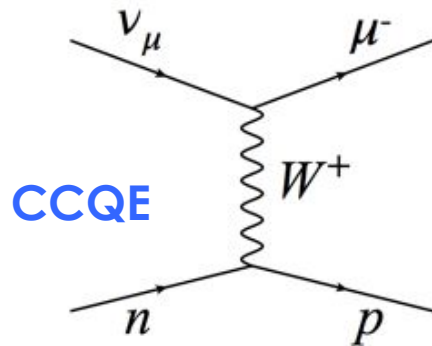
- $\Phi(E_\nu)$ change due to geometry and oscillation
- Acceptance, efficiency and targets different in the 2 detectors
- ND is ν_μ dominated, but used to infer (via model) ν_e

Uncertainties on cross section is the main source of systematics for T2K.
For future Long baseline experiments: require few % cross-section systematics!

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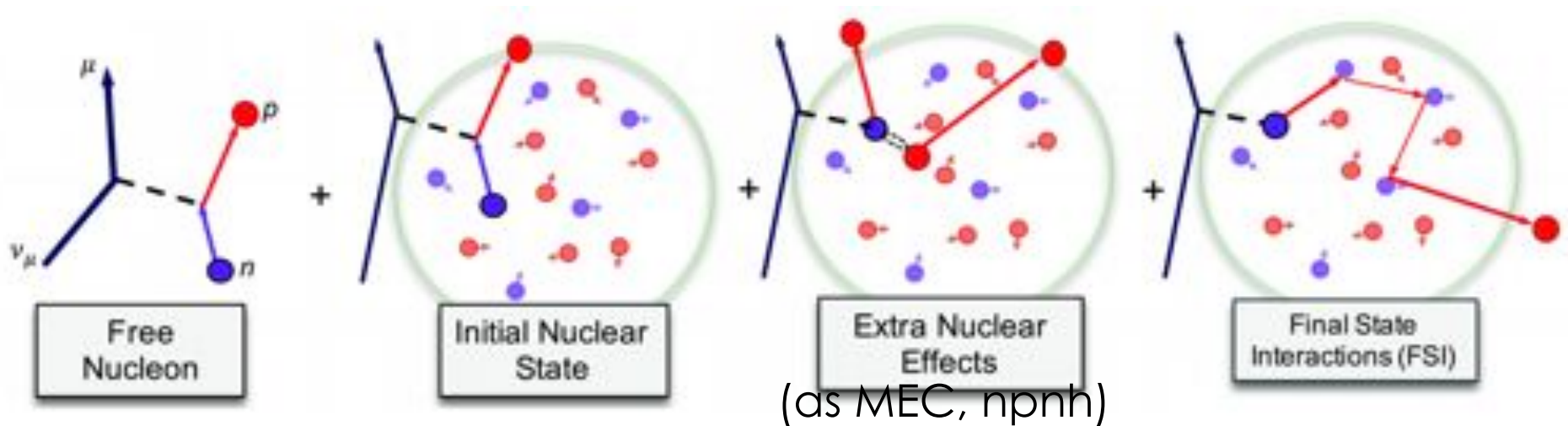
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Dominant @T2K

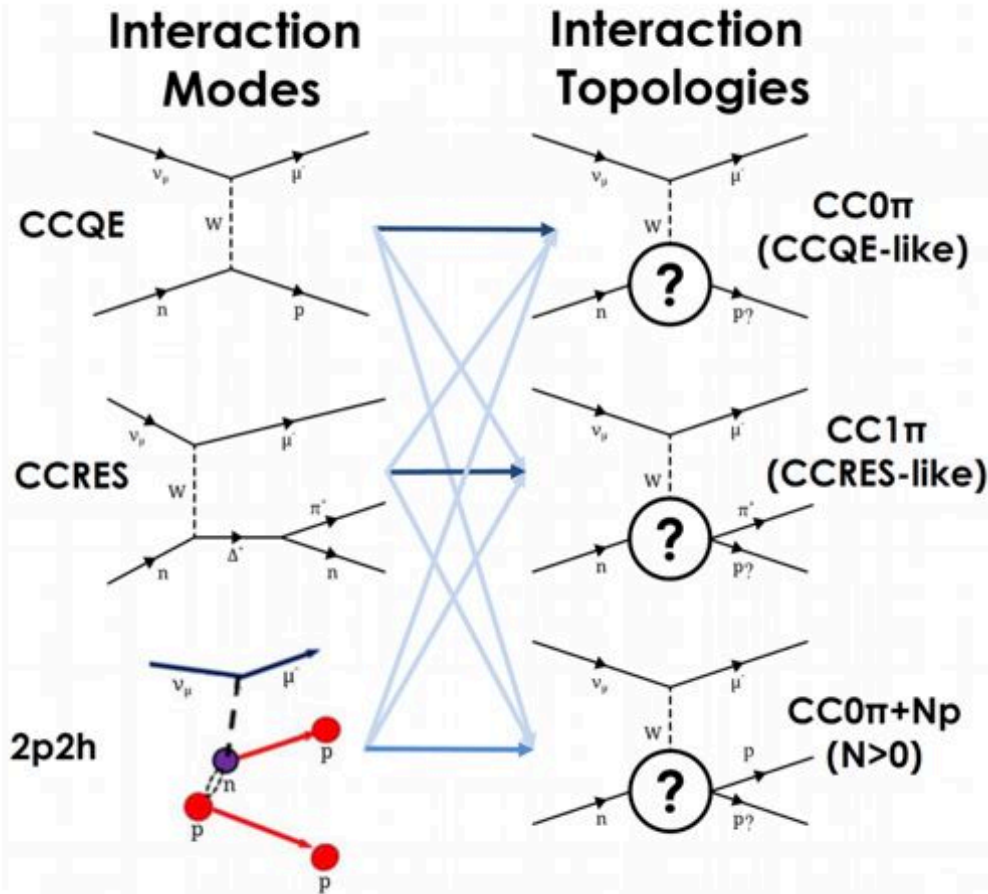
But Nucleons bound in the nucleus \Rightarrow Nuclear effect!

E_ν



How to select a genuine CCQE interaction?? No way...

T2K strategy: topology catalogue

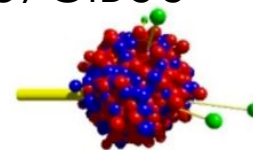


Nuclear and **detector effects** obfuscate true interaction mode
 Signal definition based on **final state topology**, to avoid model dependence trying to extract a CCQE component

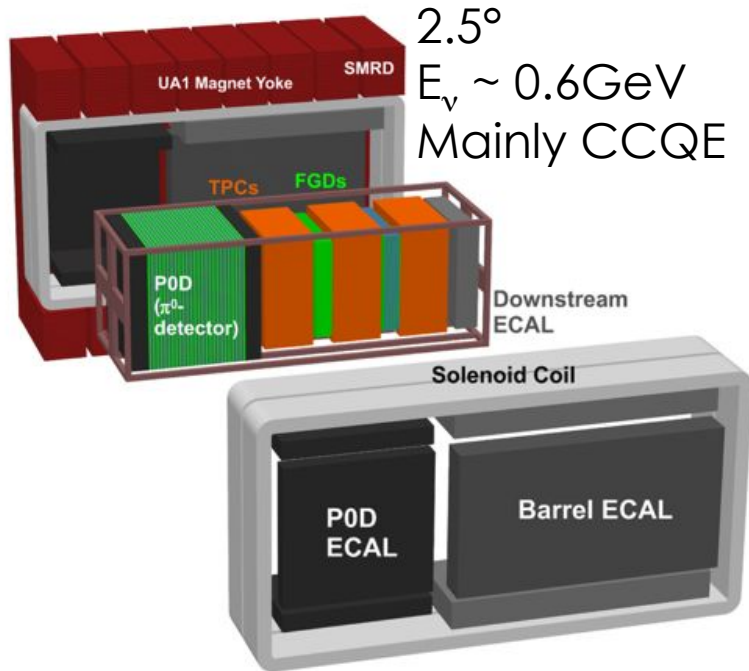
NEUT 5.3.2

Int/topo	CC0 π	CC1 π
CCQE	82%	0.3%
CCRES	6%	77.1%
CCDIS	0.2%	7%
2p2h	11.8%	0.04%

Comparing different generators: NEUT, GENIE, NuWro, GIBUU



T2K strategy: multi target, multi flux

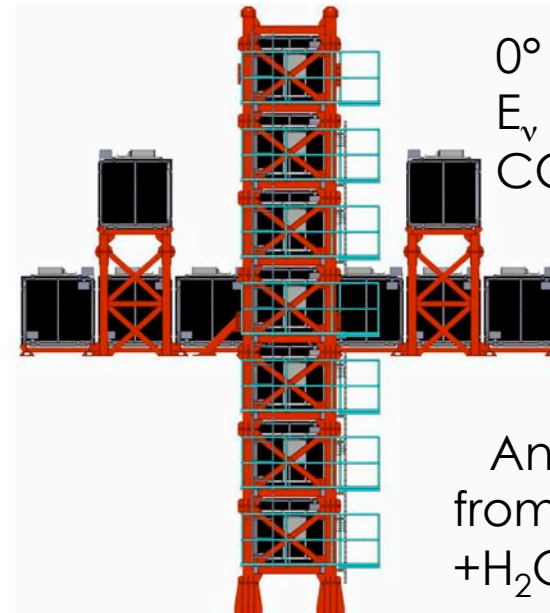


ND280 off-axis detector located 280 m from the target:

- π^0 detector (P0D); targets: CH+H₂O+Pb
- 3 Time Projection Chambers (TPC); target: Ar
- 2 Fine-grained detectors (FGD); targets: CH+H₂O
- Electromagnetic calorimeters (ECal)
- UA1 refurbished Magnet instrumented with side muon range detector (SMRD)

INGRID on-axis detector:

- Monitor the beam direction
- 14 modules arranged as a cross and other 2 outside the main cross; targets: CH+Fe
- Extra modules
 - Proton Module (CH)
 - Water module (H₂O)

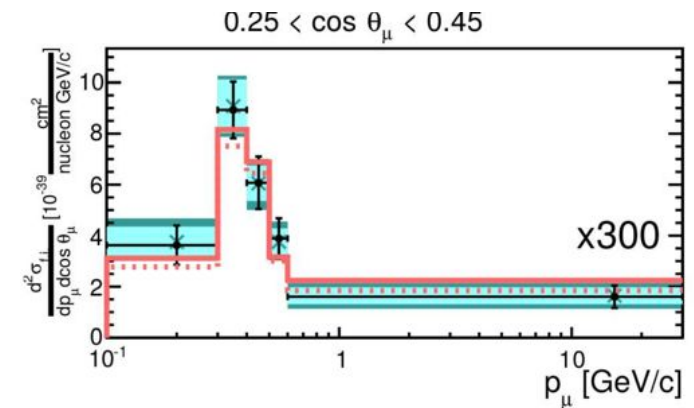


0°
 $E_\nu \sim 1\text{GeV}$
 CCRES important!

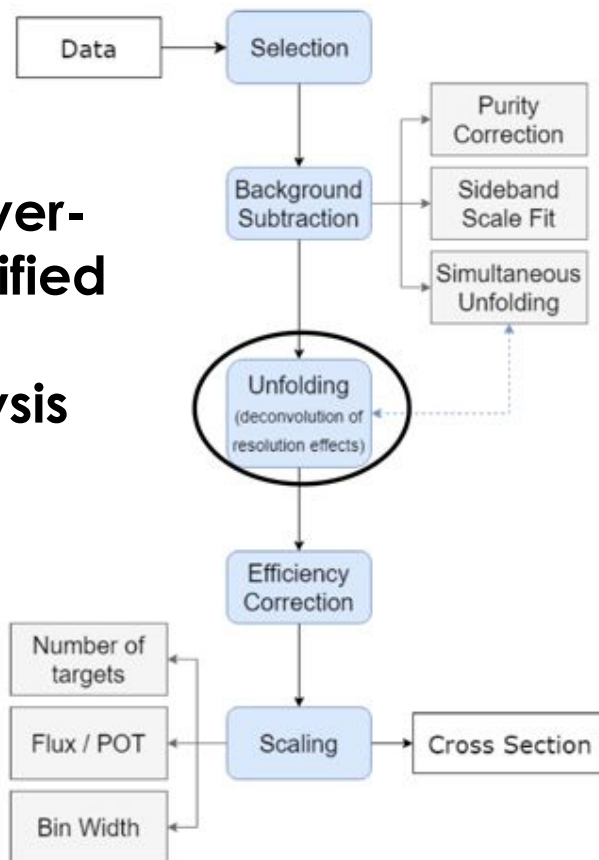
And soon data from Wagasci (CH+H₂O), 1.6° off axis

T2K strategy: observables & techniques

Observables chosen in order to avoid model dependence: mainly muon kinematics (p_μ and $\cos\theta_\mu$) but also new (xsec) model independent variables for hadrons. Usually double differential and flux integrated xsec measured



An over-simplified xsec analysis



- **Techniques:** blind analysis. D'Agostini or binned likelihood fit for unfolding. Data-driven regularization. No bias from prior checked on lots of pseudo data sets. After lot of checks and reviews: unblind

- Also started « forward folding » techniques (not yet shown here)

T2K measurements

1. CC-inclusive

- on CH off axis
- on CH, Fe, H₂O on axis

2. CC0 π

- ν_{μ} on CH off-axis
- ν_{μ} on H₂O off axis
- $\nu_{\mu}+p$ on CH off-axis
- Anti- ν_{μ} on H₂O off axis (NEW!)

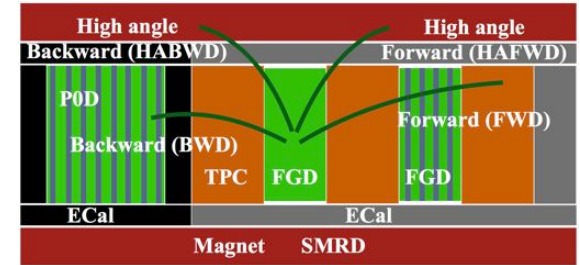
3. CC1 π on CH and H₂O

4. NC1 π^0

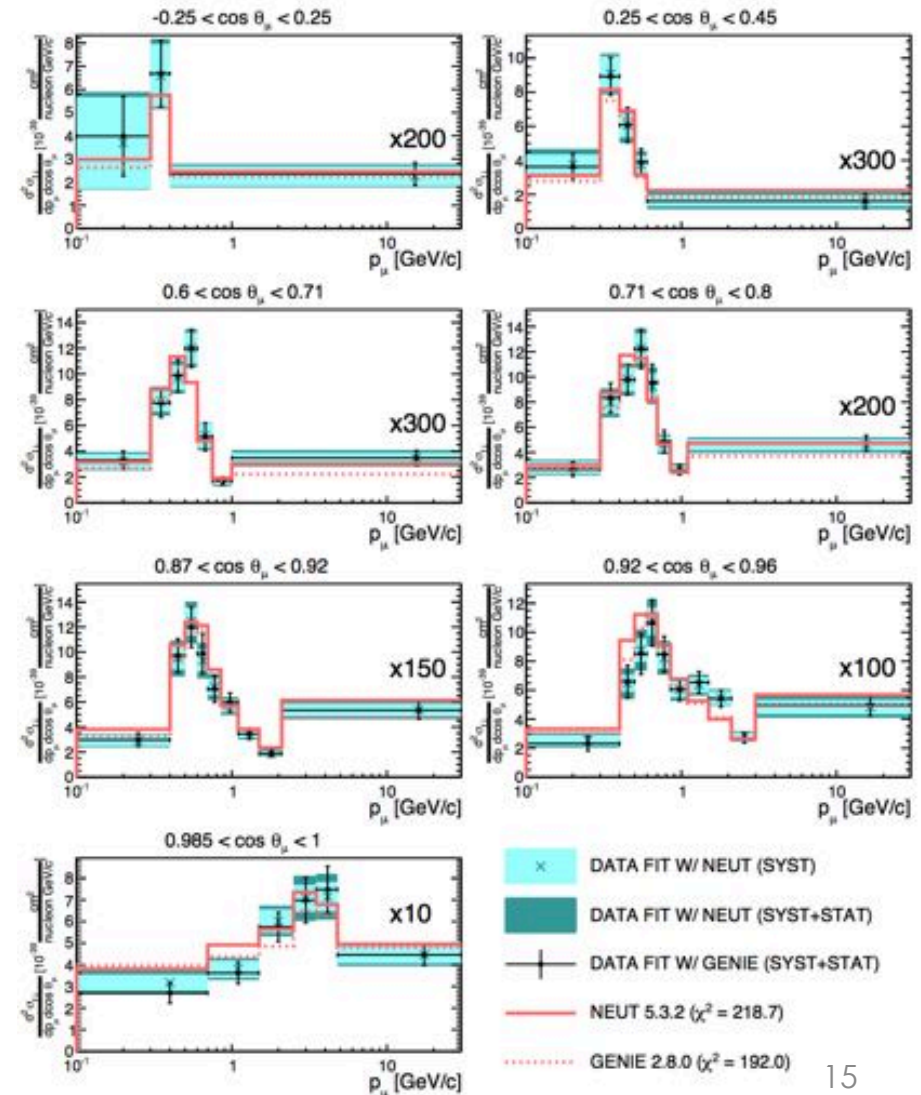
5. ν_e selection

CC Inclusive on CH

Muon kinematics double differential cross section.



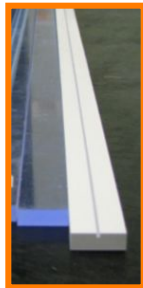
- Off-axis (FGD1)
- Dominated by CCQE due to low energy beam
- 4π selection
- Maximum likelihood fit
- Flux integrated cross section to avoid neutrino energy dependence
- Data fit with NEUT and GENIE as prior to check we do not have model dependence
- Background constrained with two sidebands
- 5.7×10^{20} POT



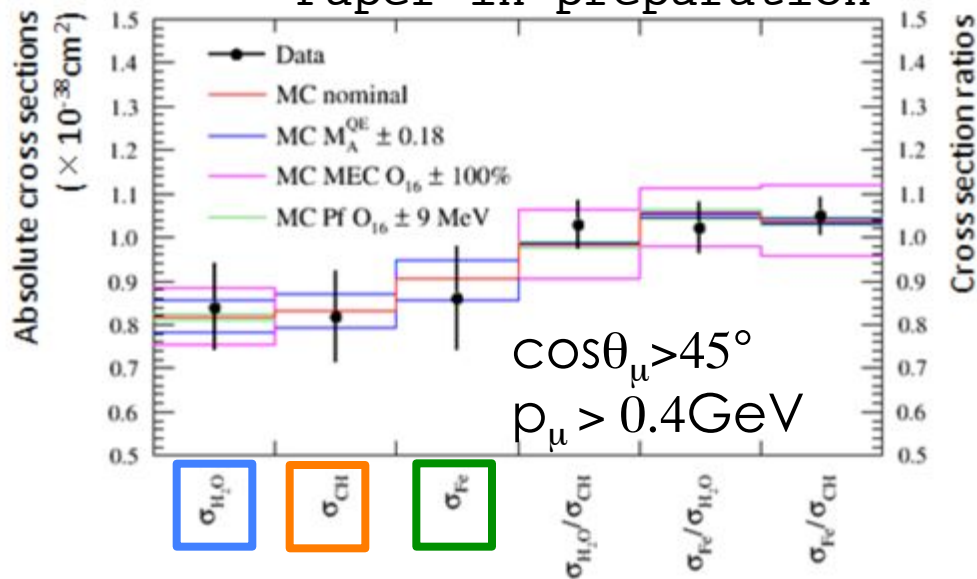
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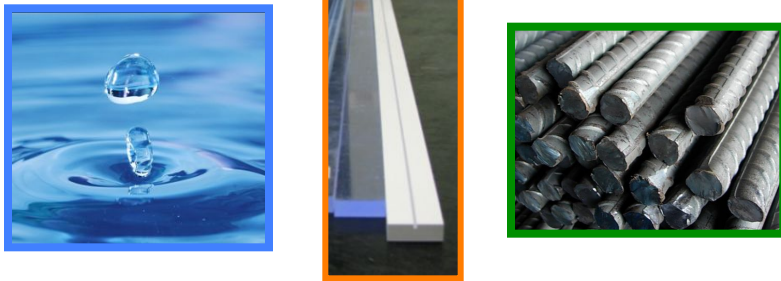


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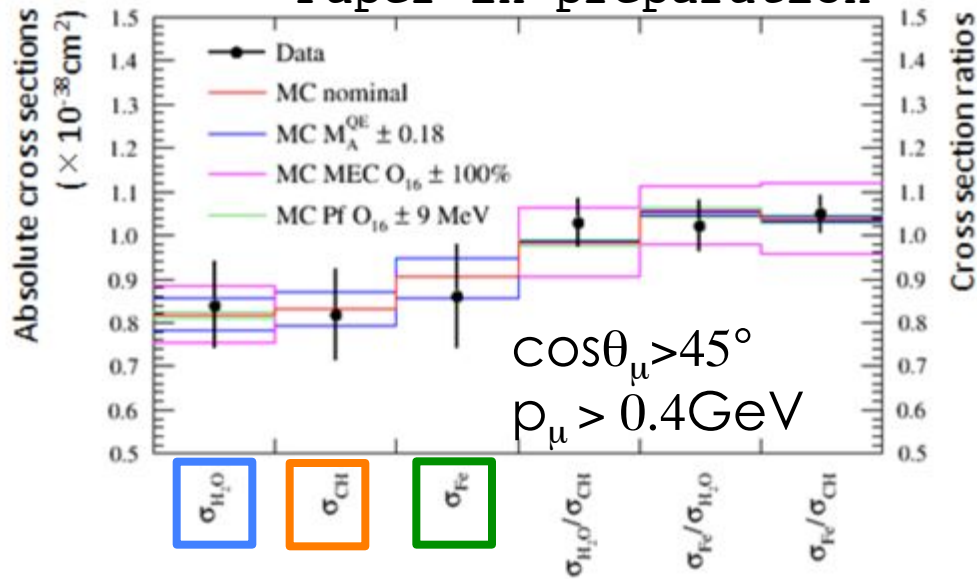


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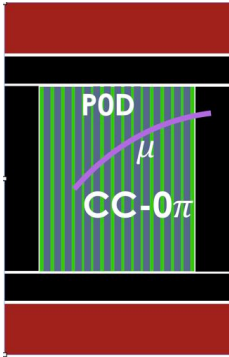


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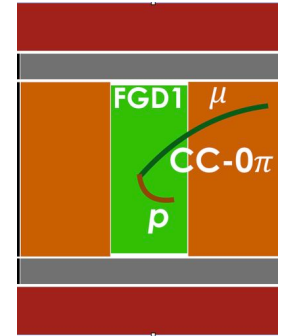


Promising event reconstruction in gas TPC... soon cross section measurement on Ar???

Important for future LBL experiments

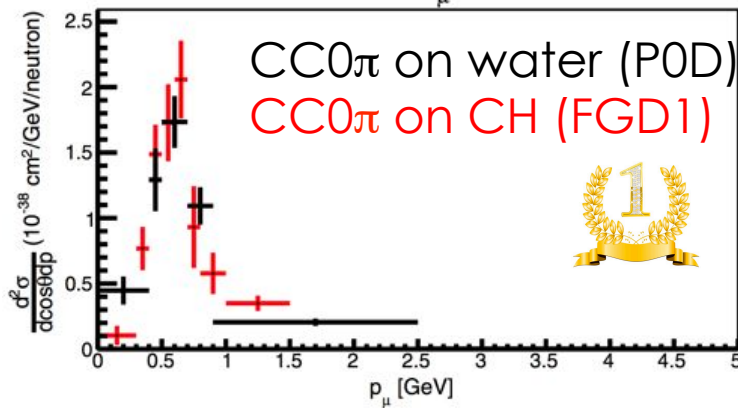


CC0π on CH and H₂O



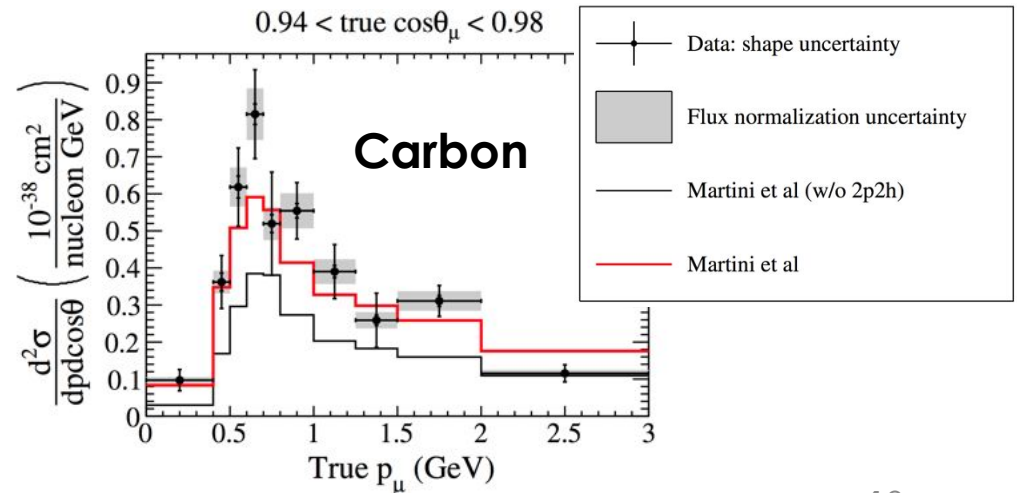
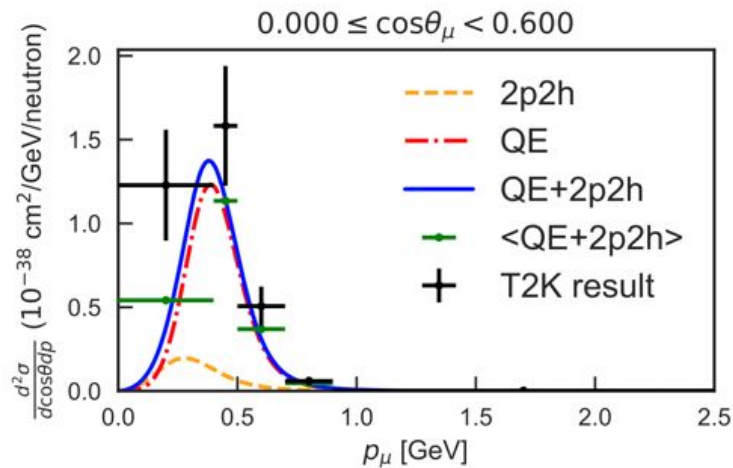
PRD 97, 012001 (2018)

$$0.850 \leq \cos\theta_\mu < 0.900$$



- Off axis.
- CC0π ~ 80% CCQE + 12% 2p2h
- Two independent measurements: FGD1 (2016) and POD (2018)
- Comparison with various models
- Low momentum, high angle region under-predicted
- 2p2h required
- Try to look at the protons to learn more!

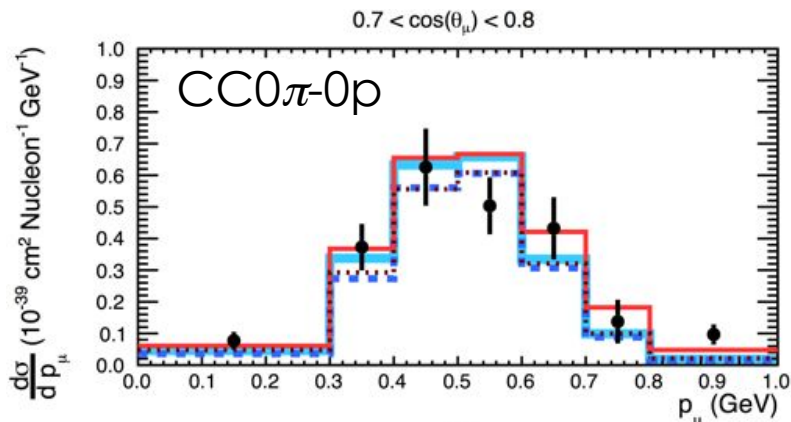
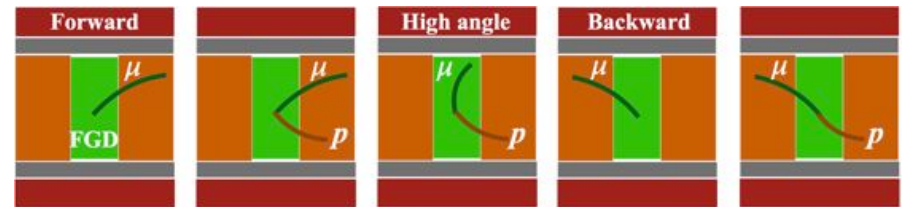
Water: comparison with Susav2



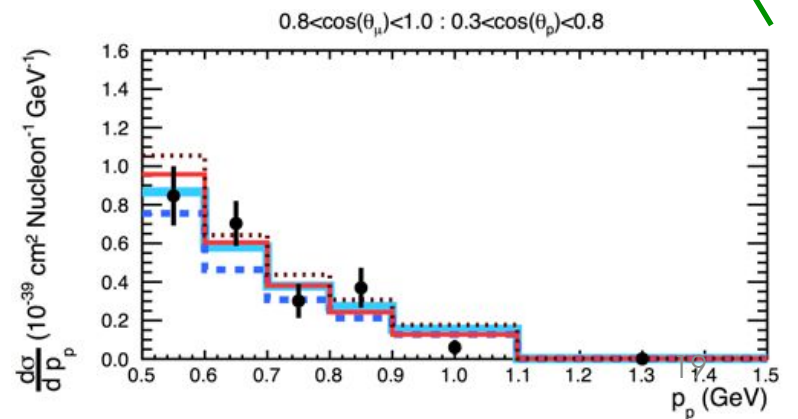
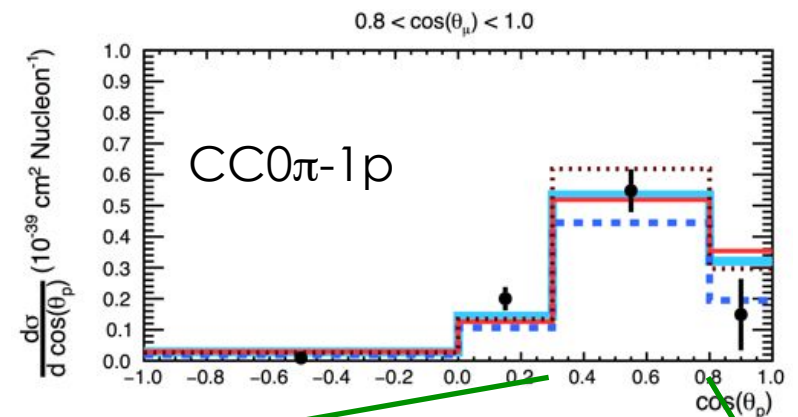
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CC0 π +p on CH

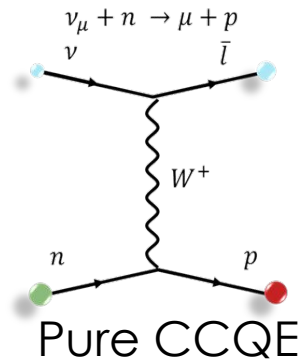
- Off axis
- Cross section extracted as function of the muon momentum and angle for CC0 π -0p
- Cross section extracted as function of the muon and proton angle and muon momentum for CC0 π -1p with momentum greater than 500 MeV/c
- No model describing correctly the whole considered phase space



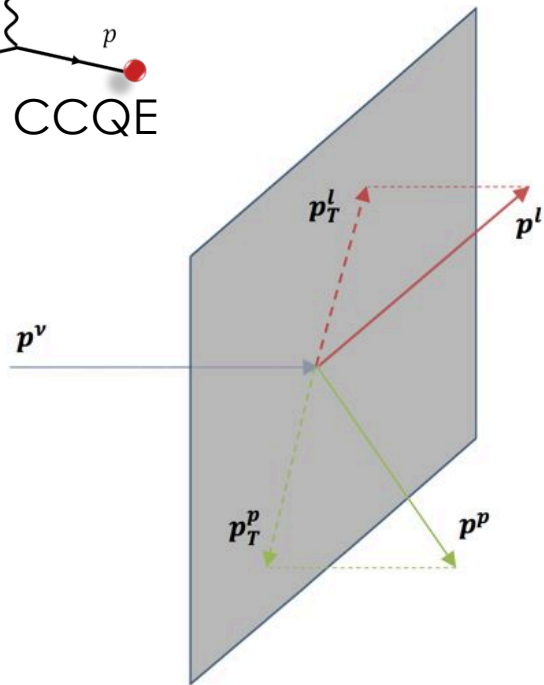
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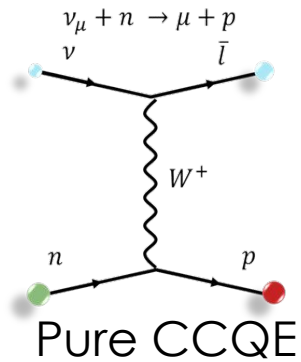
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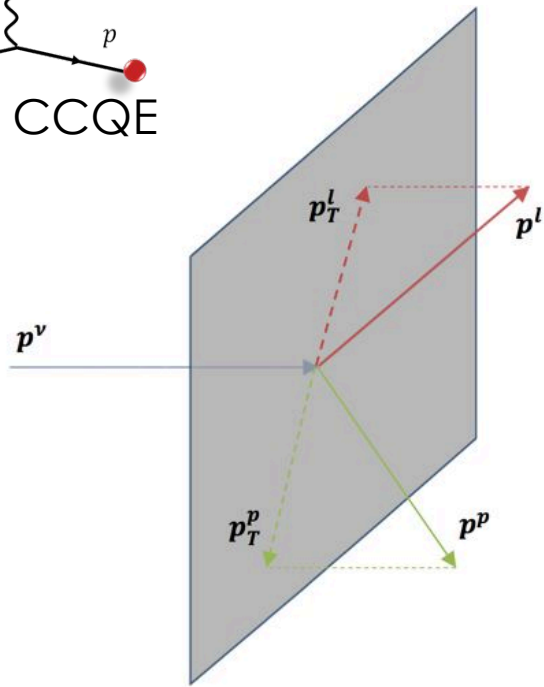
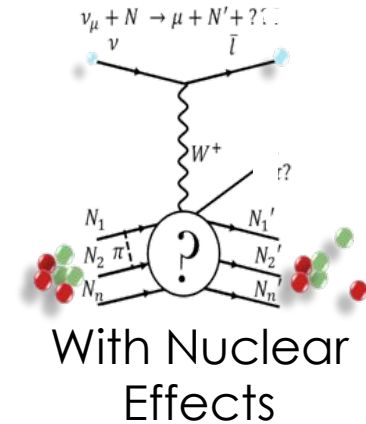
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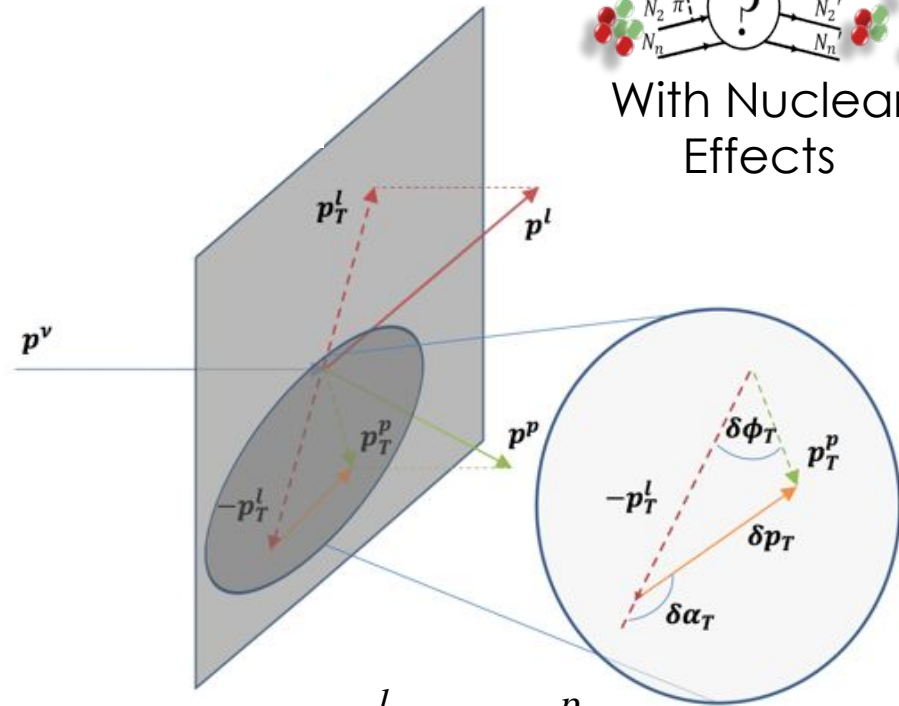
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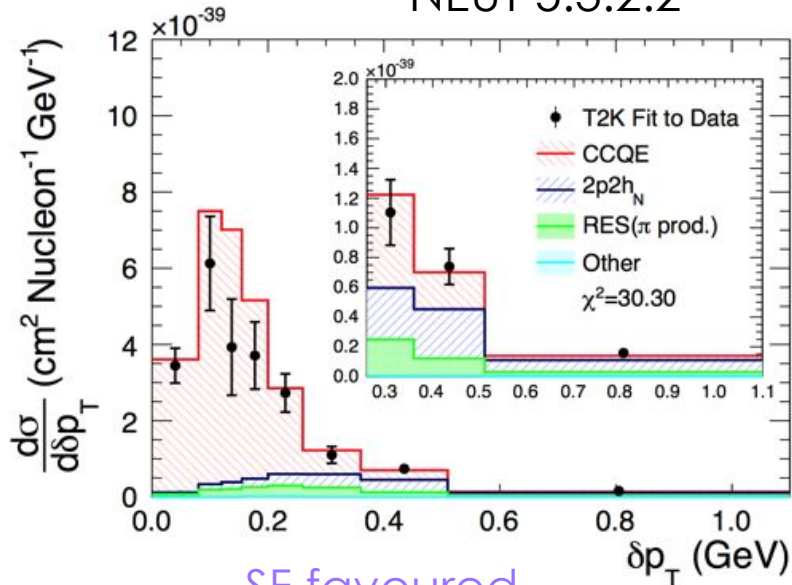
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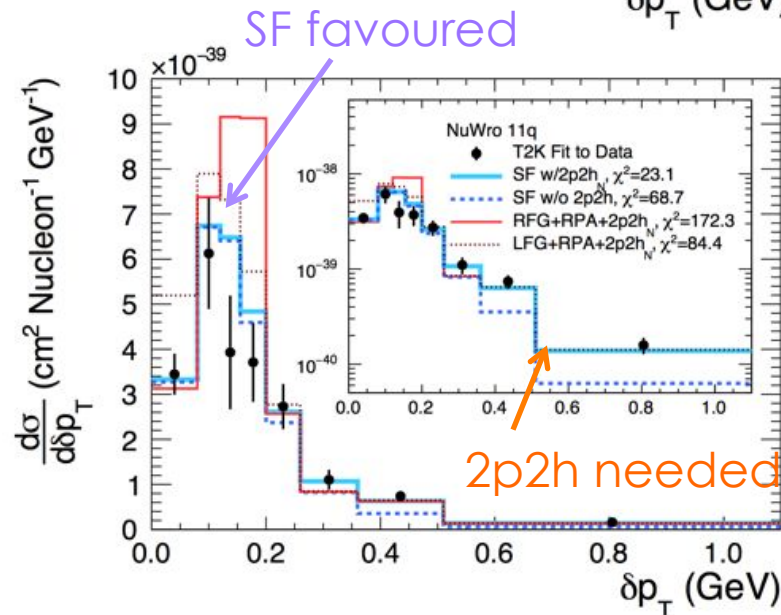
CC0 π +p on CH with STV

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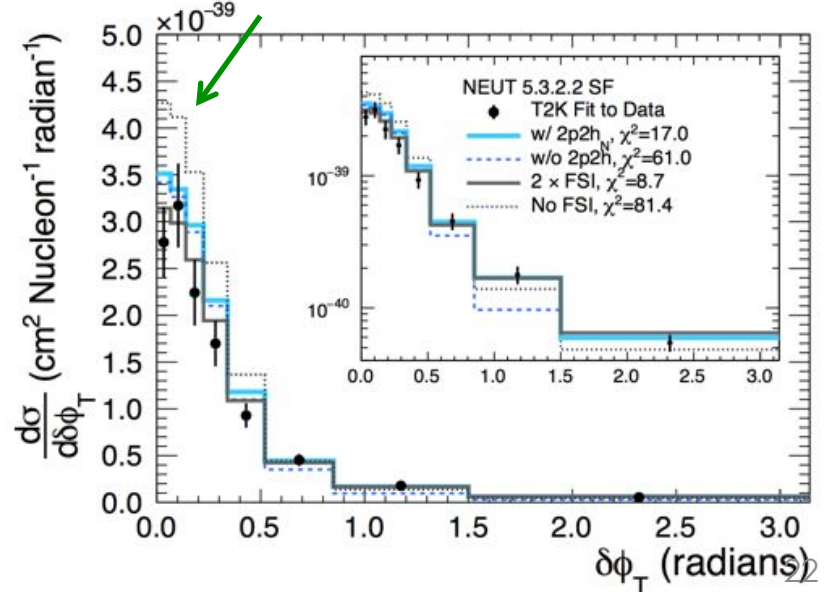
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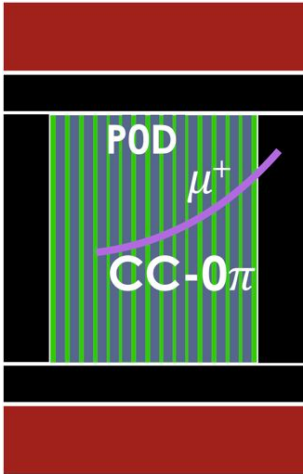


- Low δp_T , below Fermi momentum: mainly CCQE
- δp_T probe for initial state nucleon
- Preference for spectral function
- Not clear winner yet



More FSI required

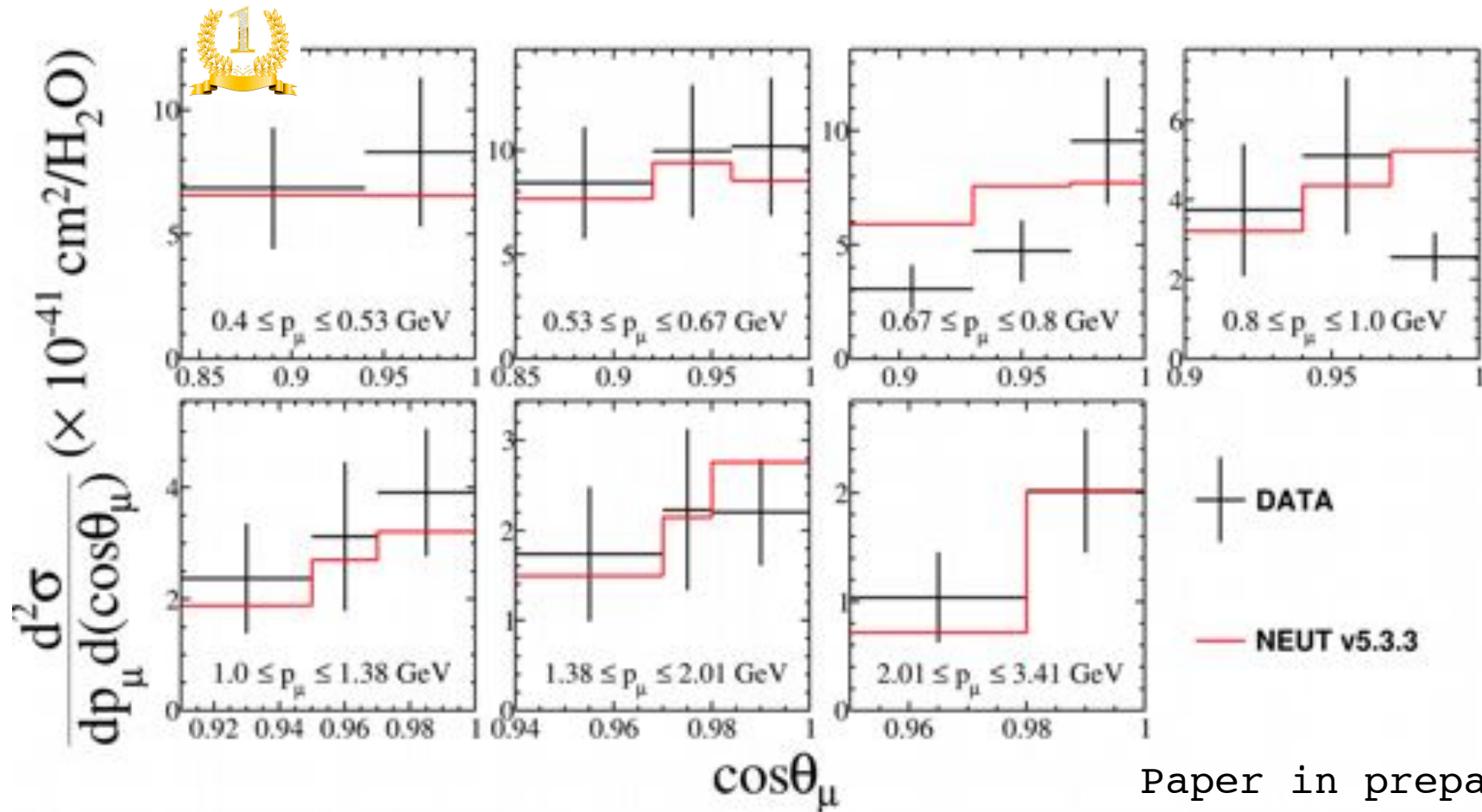


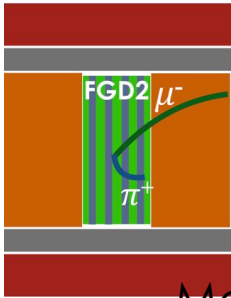


CC0 π anti- ν_μ on H₂O

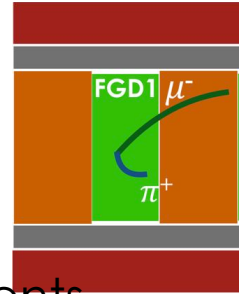
NEW!

- Off axis
- POD data with and without water bags filled.
- **Joint fit:** Fit simultaneously water-in and water-out samples: water out samples act as control regions for non-water events





CC1 π^+ on CH and H₂O

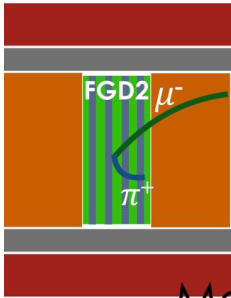


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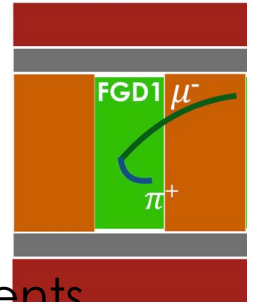
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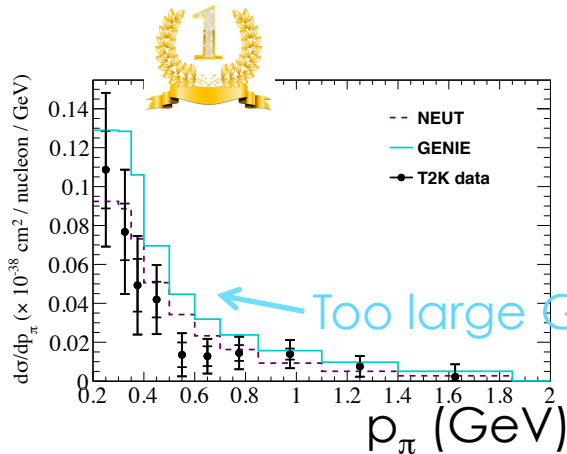


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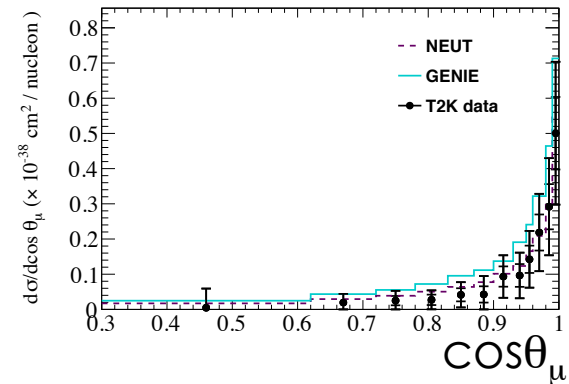
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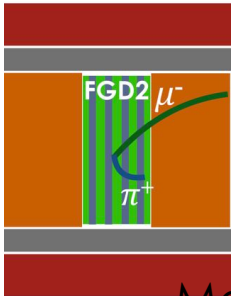


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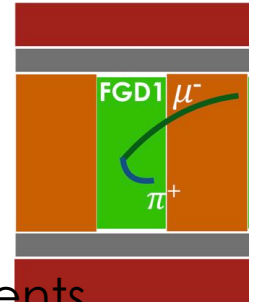
$\cos\theta_\mu, \theta_\pi > 0.3$

$p_\mu, p_\pi > 0.2 \text{ GeV}$





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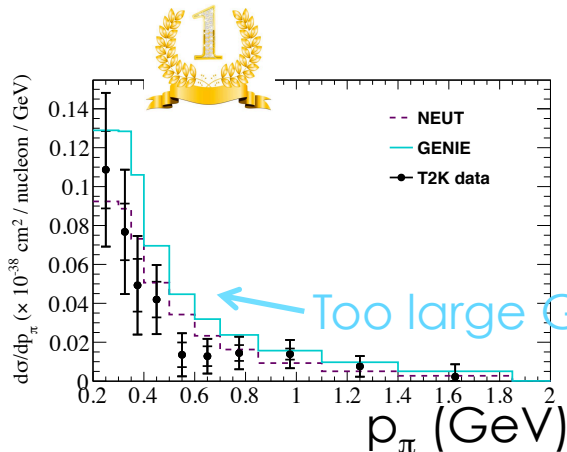


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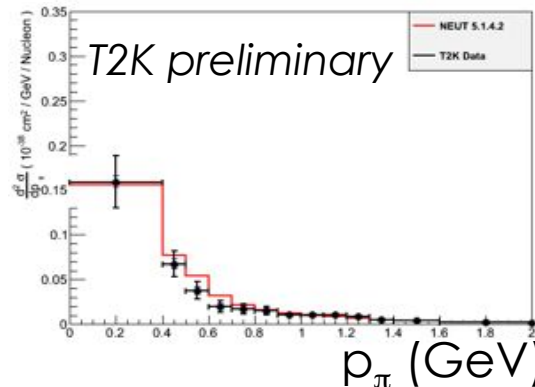
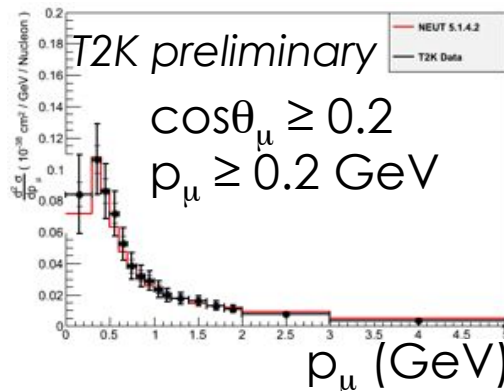
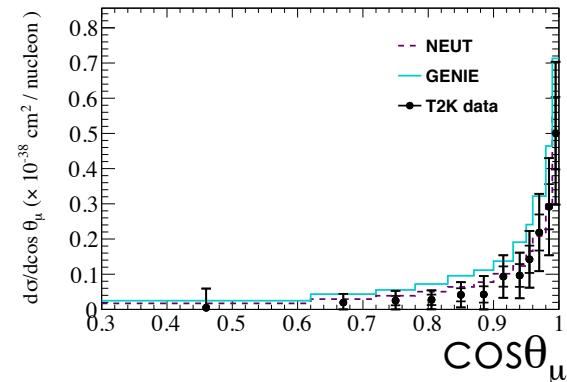
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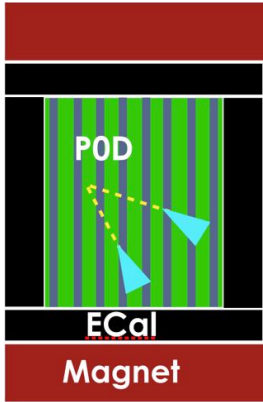
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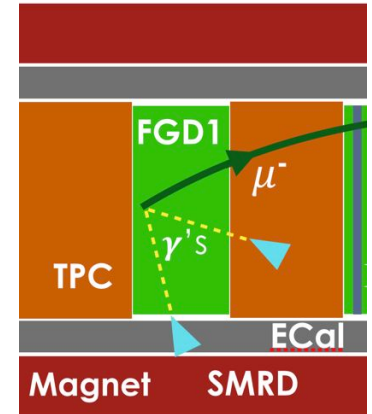


Paper in preparation:
 differential and double-
 differential cross section in
 large number of variables,
 included planar angle and
 hadron invariant mass

ν_μ CC1 π^+ in POD almost public, larger statistics and acceptance, first attempt to forward folding



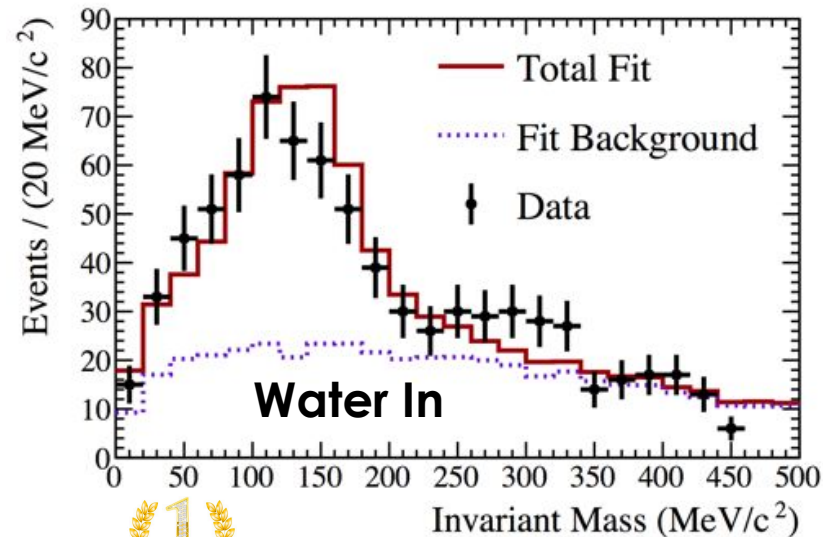
NC1 π^0 and CC1 π^0



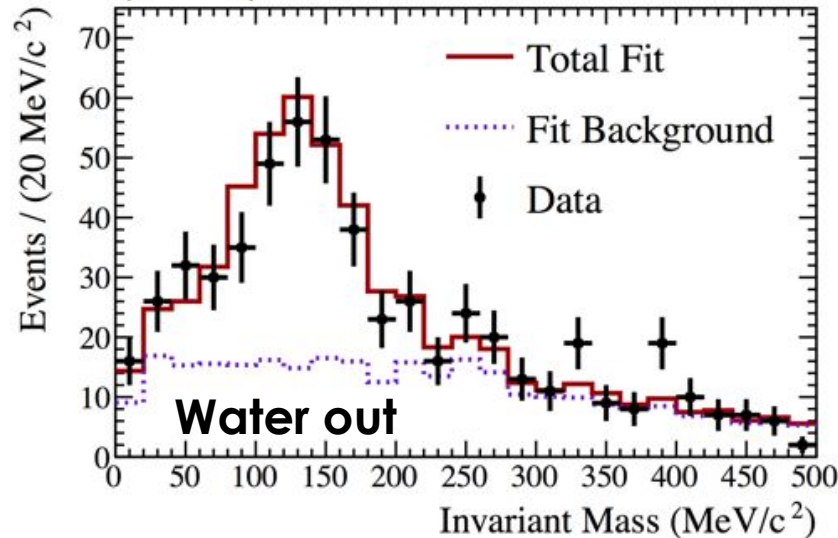
π^0 , decaying in 2 γ 's,
important
background for
appearance
measurements at SK.

NC1 π^0 rate measured
in the POD with
subtraction method.

Consistent with
prediction but still
large uncertainties.



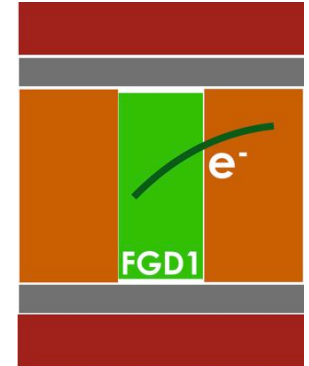
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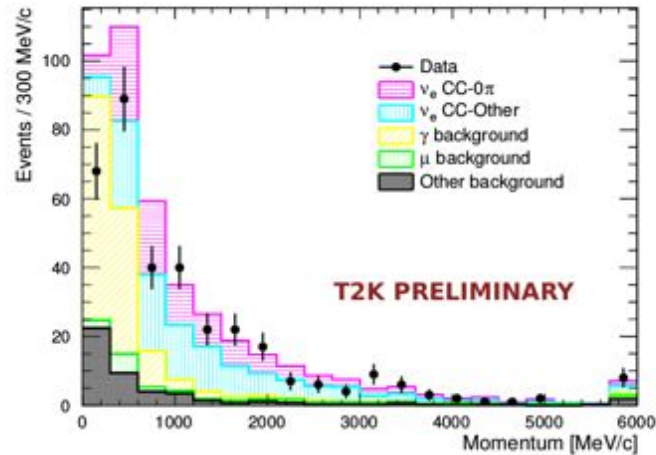
Ongoing xsec
measurements of
NC1 π^0 in the POD
CC1 π^0 analysis in
FGD1

$$\text{Data / Pred (water)} = 0.68 \pm 0.26(\text{stat}) \pm 0.44(\text{sys}) \pm 0.12(\text{flux})$$

Electron neutrinos



ν_e in ν mode

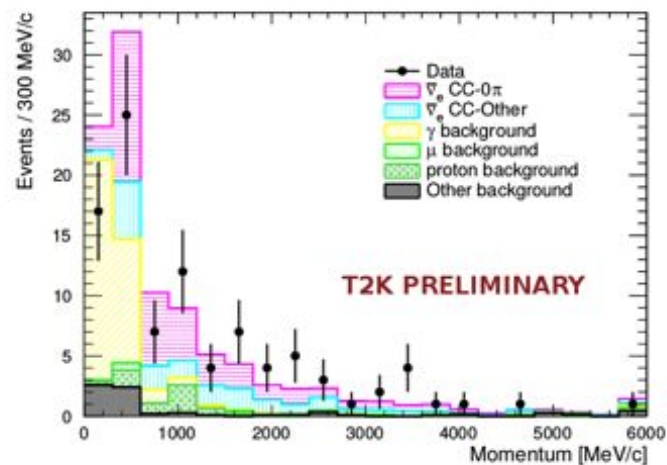


In the appearance channel ($\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$), the intrinsic ν_e component in the ν_μ beam is the main **background**.

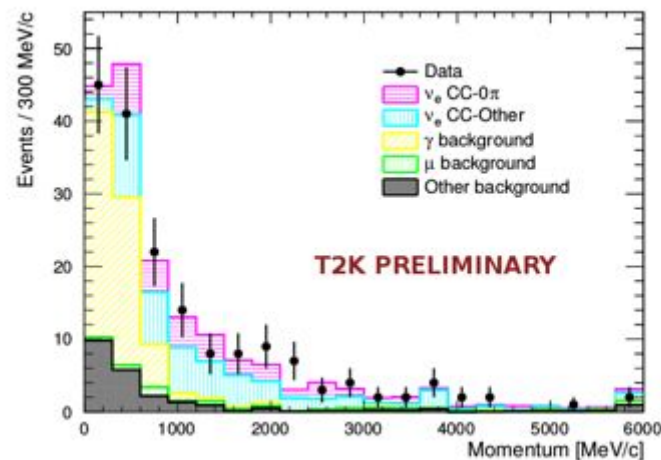
Very few measurements existing

ν_e : very challenging selection because of low statistic and π^0 background

Anti- ν_e in anti- ν mode



ν_e in anti- ν mode



Cross section analysis coming soon, stay tuned!

Still working hard

Ongoing analyses (ready soon):

- CCinclusive:
 - Anti- ν_μ
 - On Ar
- CC0 π :
 - ν +antiv joint fit on C off axis
 - C+O off axis
 - C+Pb off axis
 - C on/off axis
 - +CC1 π^+ on axis and off axis
 - Vertex activity for CC0 π -1p
- CC1 π
 - ν_μ H₂O off axis
 - ν_μ on axis on C and H₂O
- NC1 π^0 and CC1 π^0 on H₂O and CH off axis
- NC1 γ

Plus many others at earlier stage

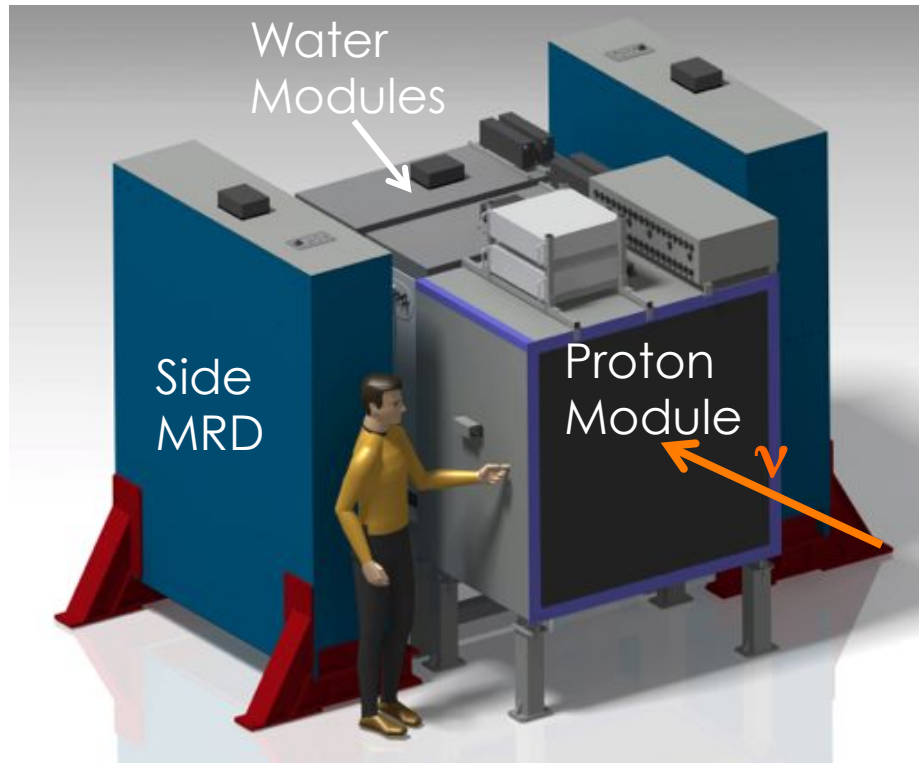
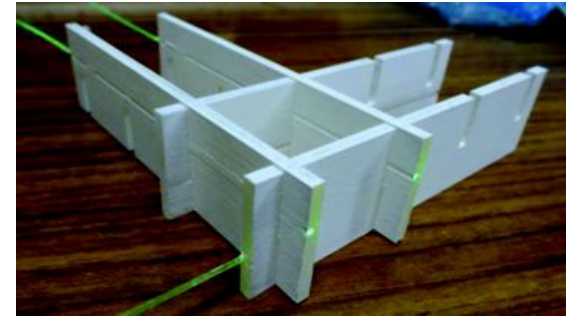
Almost 20 advanced analyses!

+ other 20 at earlier stage!

Future... almost present

WAGASCI: first near detector upgrade.
Now part of T2K

Segmented cubic CH/H₂O (WAGASCI) and SMRD
+Baby MIND, 1.6° off axis



Baby MIND (JINTS 12 C07028)
installation @ JPARC



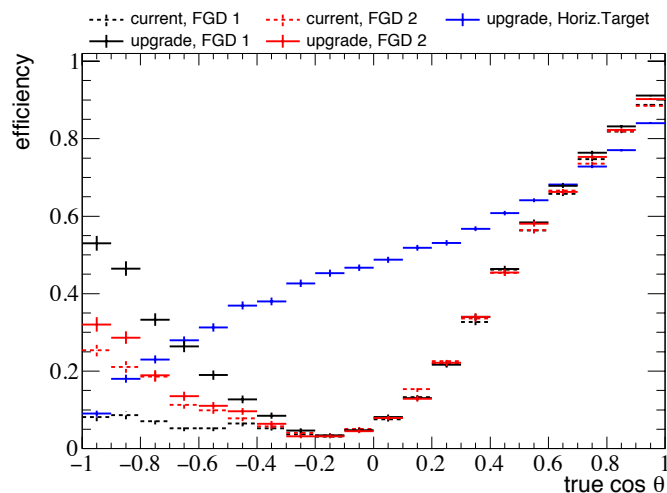
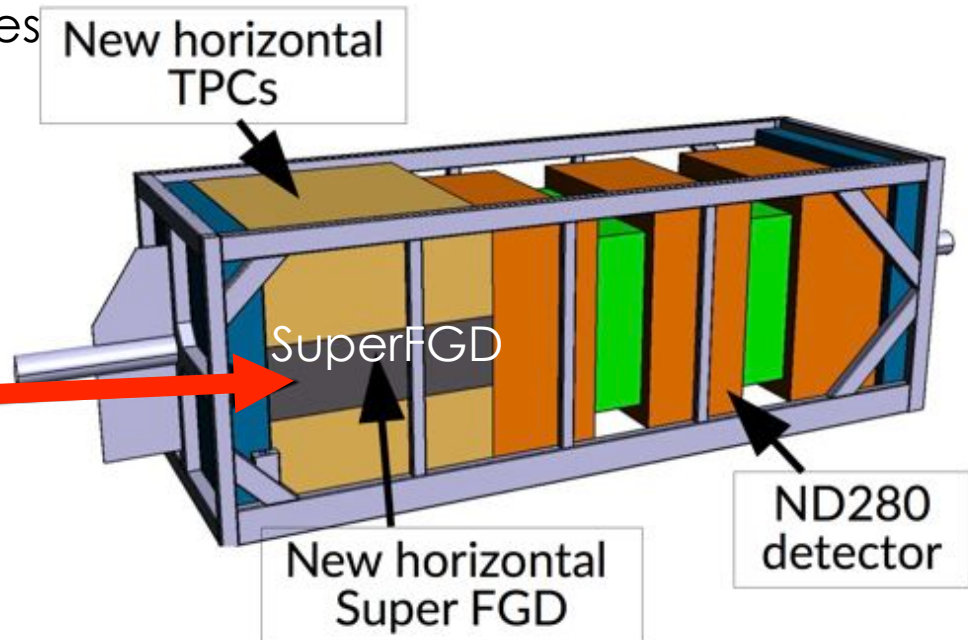
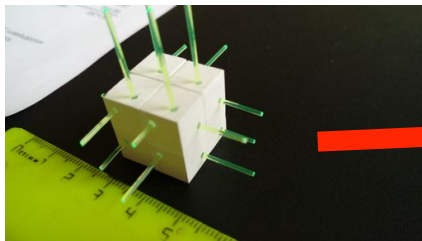
Future: ND280 Upgrade by 2021

P0D replaced with a totally active target

JINST 13 P02006, CERN-SPSC-P357

SuperFGD: segmented 1 cm^3 cubes
FGD Sandwiched by 2 TPCs

2 millions of 1 cm^3 cubes.
Optical fibers in 3 directions



Improve:

- vertex reconstruction
- Acceptance 4π
- Low momentum protons
- Vertex activity
- Neutrons?

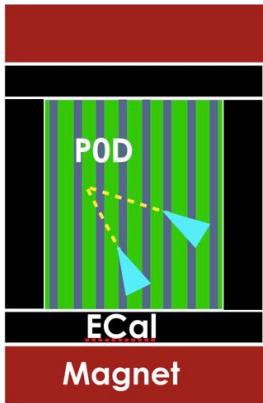
14 publications

Conclusions

~20 ongoing analyses!

- Neutrino interaction uncertainties are critical for present and mostly future oscillation experiments
- Lot of efforts in T2K devoted to produce results with different targets, fluxes and as much as possible model independent
- Not clear picture yet... a part that we should increase our knowledge and understanding of these interactions soon!
- Still working hard to increase acceptance, statistics and to look at rare events with new variables
- T2K upgrades will produce even better results... stay tuned!

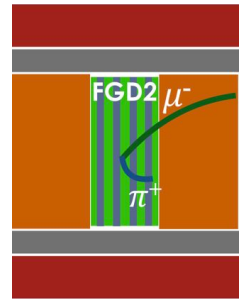
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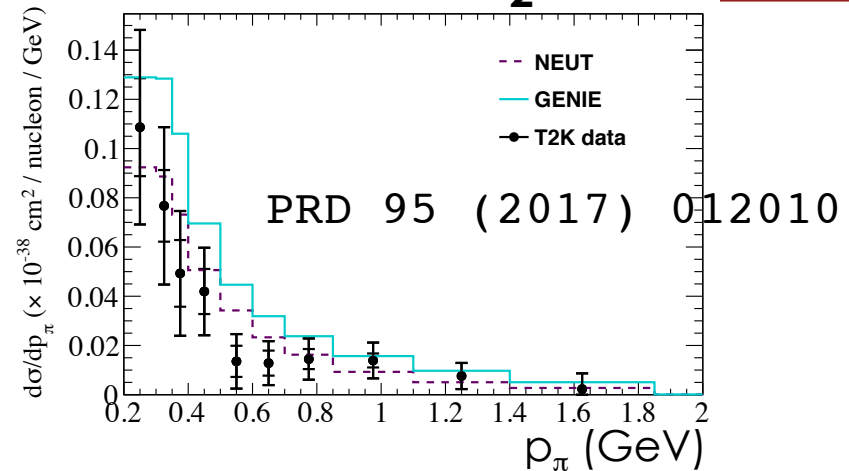
No time for everything!

See backup slides!

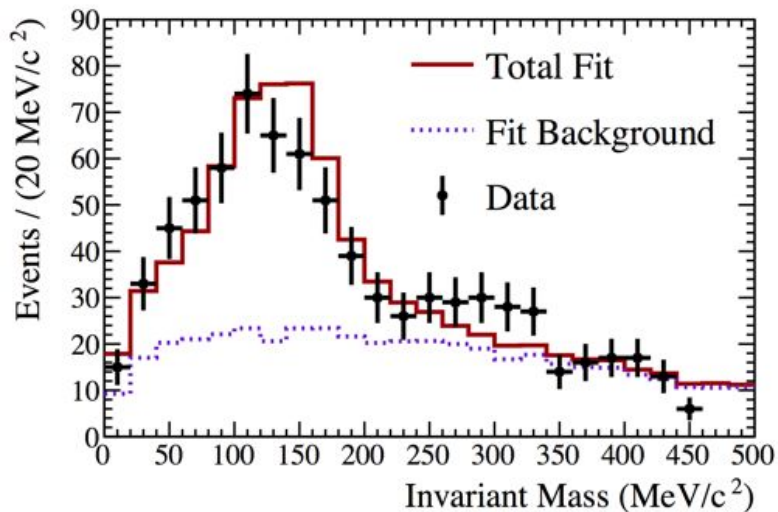
- NC1 π^0 rate off axis on water
- CC1 π^+ : off axis on water and carbon



CC1 π on H₂O

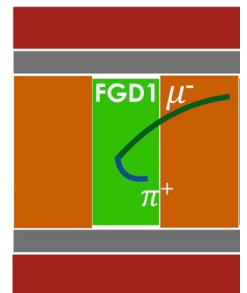
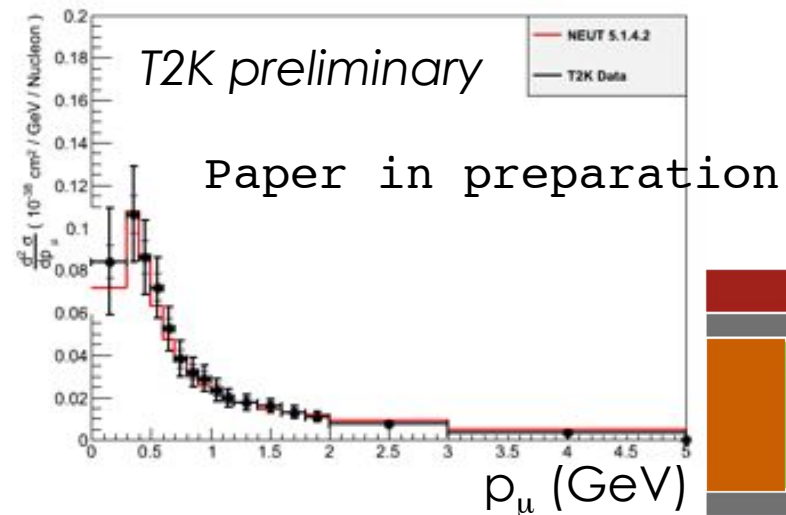


NC1 π^0 rate in the POD

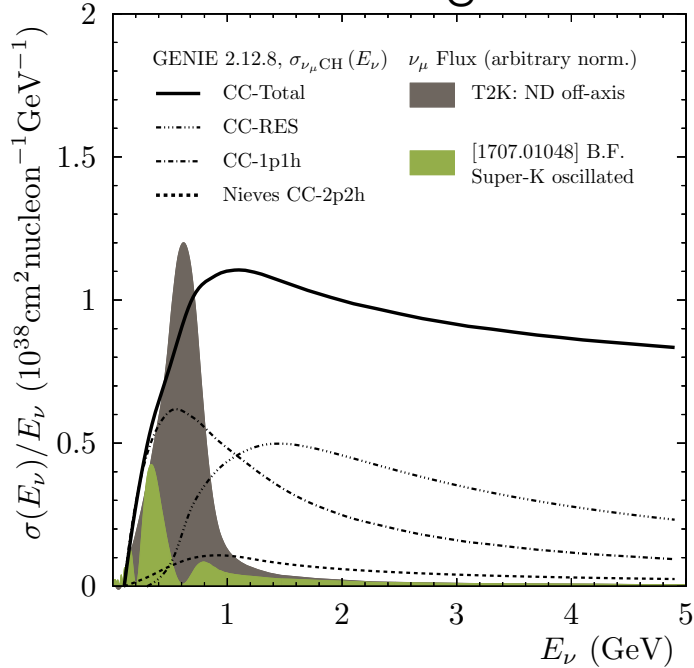


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CC1 π on CH



From Luke Pickering



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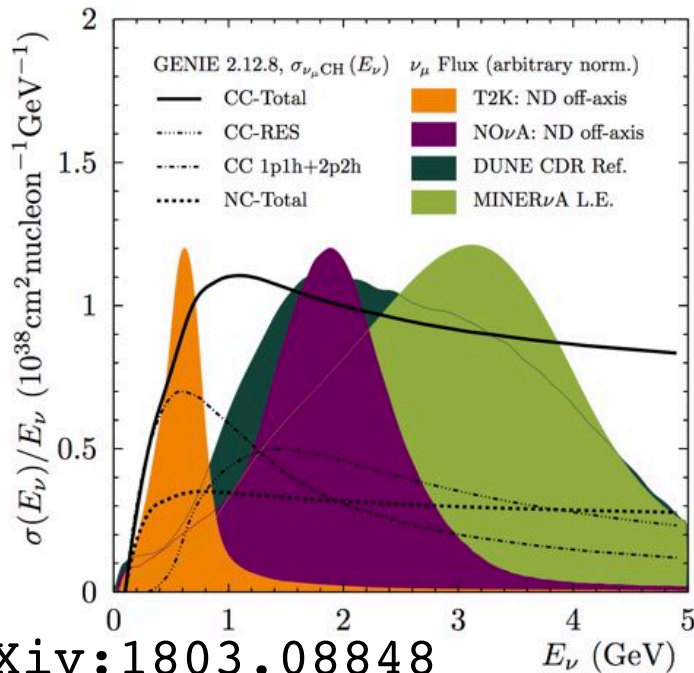
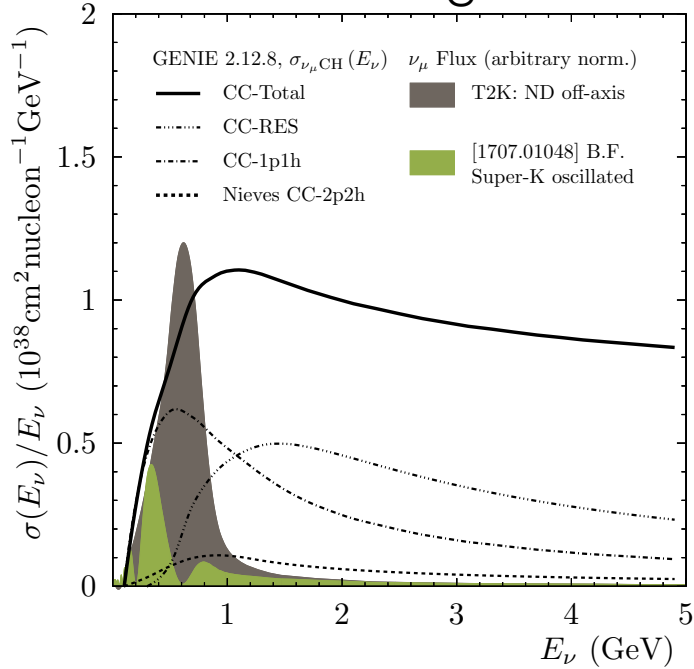
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TABLE I. Systematic uncertainty on far detector event yields.

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But also for other present and future oscillation experiments: a region full of reaction thresholds and sparse data.

	NEUT 5.3.2	GENIE 2.8.0
CCQE	SF (Benhar et al., 2000) BBA05 (Bradford et al., 2005) $M_A^{QE} = 1.21 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $p_F [^{12}\text{C}] = 217 \text{ MeV}/c$ $E_B [^{12}\text{C}] = 25 \text{ MeV}$	RFG (Bodek et al., 1981) BBA05 (Bradford et al., 2005) $M_A^{QE} = 0.99 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $p_F [^{12}\text{C}] = 221 \text{ MeV}/c$ $E_B [^{12}\text{C}] = 25 \text{ MeV}$
2p2h	Nieves et al., 2011	-
CCRES	<u>$W < 2 \text{ GeV}$</u> Rein-Sehgal, 1981 FF (Graczyk et al., 2008)	<u>$W < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$</u> Rein-Sehgal, 1981 FF (Kuzmin et al., 2016)
CCDIS	<u>$W > 1.3 \text{ GeV}$ (w/o single π)</u> GRV98 PDF (Glück et al. 1998) BY corr. at low Q^2 (Bodek et al. 2003)	<u>$W > 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ (for $W < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ is tuned)</u> GRV98 PDF (Glück et al. 1998) BY corr. at low Q^2 (Bodek et al. 2005)
Hadronization	<u>$W < 2 \text{ GeV}$</u> KNO scaling (Koba et al. 1972) <u>$W > 2 \text{ GeV}$</u> PYTHIA/JETSET	<u>$W < 2.3 \text{ GeV}$</u> AGKY (Koba et al. 1972) <u>$2.3 \text{ GeV} < W < 3 \text{ GeV}$</u> AGKY (Koba et al. 1972) + PYTHIA/JETSET <u>$W > 3 \text{ GeV}$</u> PYTHIA/JETSET
FSI	Intra-nuclear cascade	Intra-nuclear cascade (INTRANUKE hA)

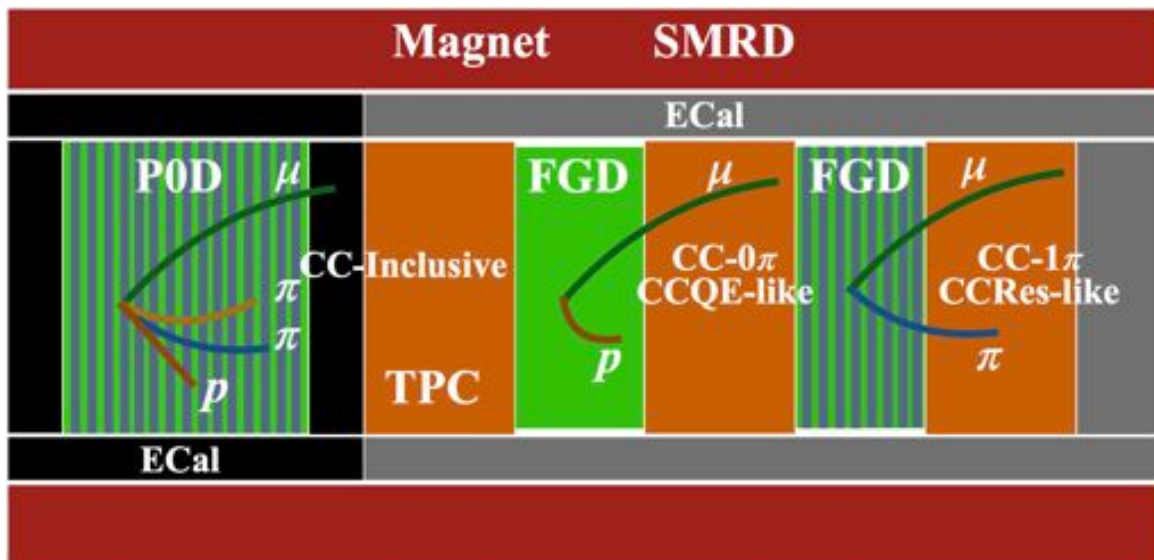


Table 20: Uncertainty on the number of event in each SK sample broken by error source before the BANFF fit. The new E_b fake data spline parameter is included in the non-constrained by ND280 cross-section parameters.

Error source	1-Ring μ		1-Ring e		
	FHC	RHC	FHC	RHC	FHC CC1 π
Beam	7.6%	6.6%	8.4%	7.4%	8.4%
Cross-section (all)	12.5%	10.3%	13.8%	11.2%	9.1%
Beam + Cross-section (all)	14.4%	12.2%	15.7%	13.2%	12.5%
Total	14.7%	12.6%	16.0%	13.9%	19.9%

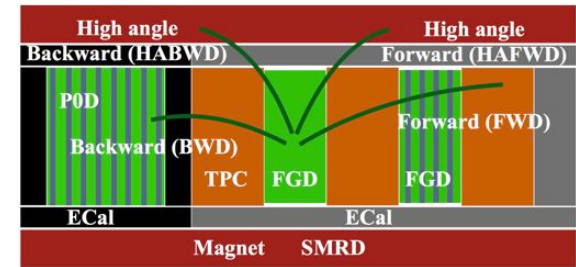
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Table 21: Uncertainty on the number of event in each SK sample broken by error source after the BANFF fit.

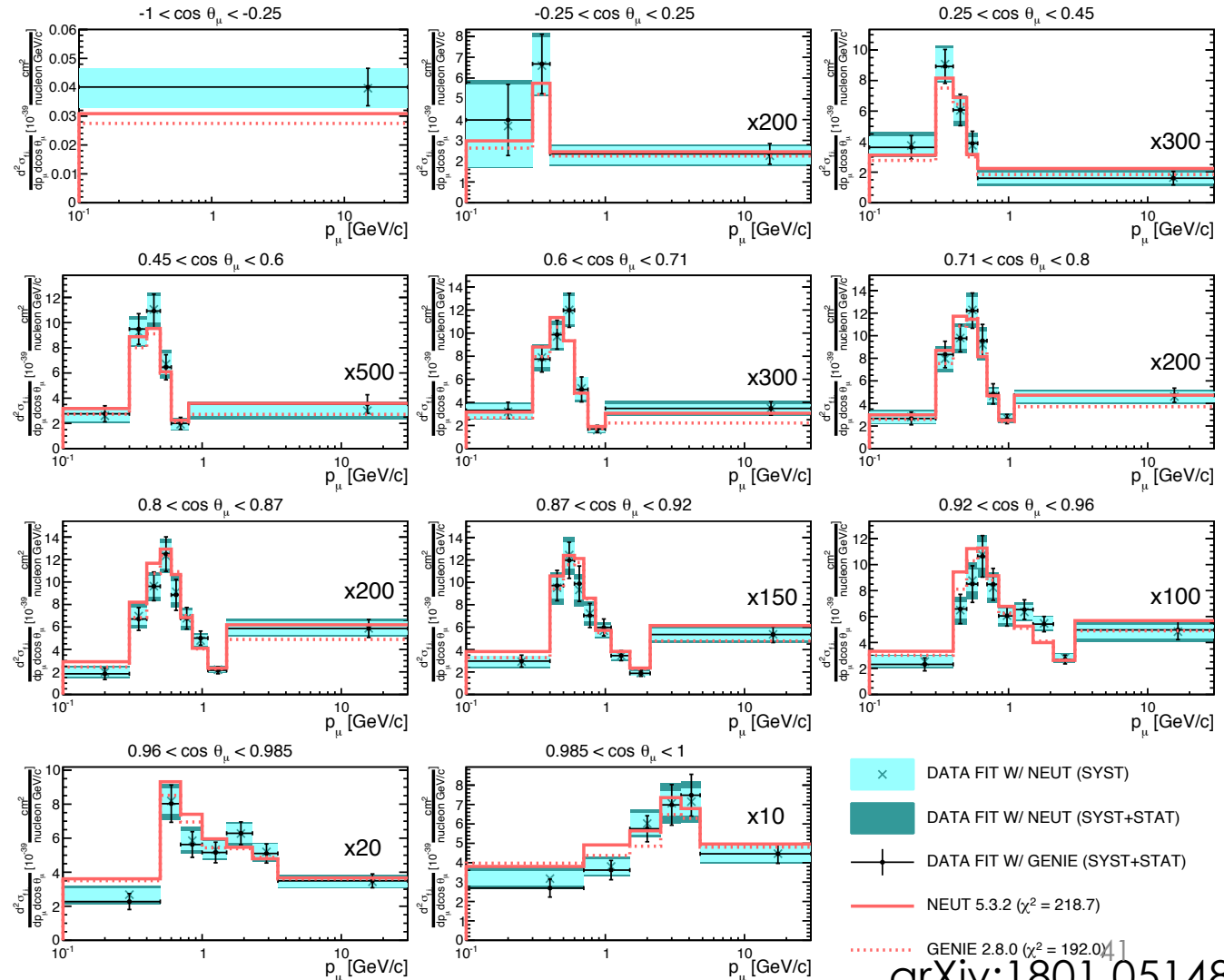
Error source	1-Ring μ		1-Ring e		
	FHC	RHC	FHC	RHC	FHC CC1 π
Beam	3.9%	3.8%	4.1%	3.9%	4.1%
Cross-section (constr. by ND280)	4.7%	4.0%	4.7%	4.1%	4.1%
Cross-section (all)	5.6%	4.3%	8.6%	6.3%	5.7%
Beam + Cross-section (constr. by ND280)	2.9%	2.7%	3.0%	2.9%	3.8%
Beam + Cross-section (all)	4.2%	3.1%	7.8%	5.5%	5.4%
New E_b fake data parameter	3.3%	1.3%	7.3%	4.2%	2.9%
SK+FSI+SI	3.3%	2.9%	4.1%	4.4%	16.8%
Total	5.3%	4.2%	8.7%	7.1%	17.7%

CC Inclusive on CH

Muon kinematics double differential cross section.



- Off-axis
- Dominated by CCQE due to low energy beam
- 4p selection
- Maximum likelihood fit
- Flux integrated cross section to avoid neutrino energy dependence
- Data fit with NEUT and GENIE: equal results = no bias from prior!
- Background constrained with two sidebands
- 5.7×10^{20} POT



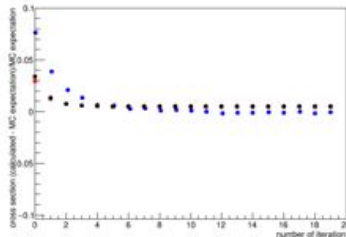
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Table 6.4: Elemental composition of the scintillators in the fiducial volume region

Element	H	C	N	O	Ti	Si
	7.4%	88.7%	0.4%	2.8%	1.1%	0.2%

Table 6.5: The elemental composition of the water in the fiducial region

Element	H ₂ O	H	C	N	O
Mass fraction	99.95%	0%	0.03%	0.02%	0%



$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}}}{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{CH}}} = 1.028^{+0.016(\text{stat.})+0.05(\text{syst.})}_{-0.016(\text{stat.})-0.05(\text{syst.})} \quad \sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = (0.840^{+0.010(\text{stat.})+0.10(\text{syst.})}_{-0.010(\text{stat.})-0.081(\text{syst.})}) \times 10^{-38} \text{cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{Fe}}}{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} = 1.023^{+0.012(\text{stat.})+0.05(\text{syst.})}_{-0.012(\text{stat.})-0.05(\text{syst.})} \quad \sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{CH}} = (0.817^{+0.007(\text{stat.})+0.11(\text{syst.})}_{-0.007(\text{stat.})-0.082(\text{syst.})}) \times 10^{-38} \text{cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{Fe}}}{\sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{CH}}} = 1.049^{+0.010(\text{stat.})+0.043(\text{syst.})}_{-0.010(\text{stat.})-0.043(\text{syst.})} \quad \sigma_{\text{CC}}^{\text{Fe}} = (0.859^{+0.003(\text{stat.})+0.12(\text{syst.})}_{-0.003(\text{stat.})-0.10(\text{syst.})}) \times 10^{-38} \text{cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$$

Figure 6.8: Relation between the number of iterations and calculated cross section. Black is $\sigma_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$, red is σ_{CH} and blue is σ_{Fe} .

T2K and NOVA systematics

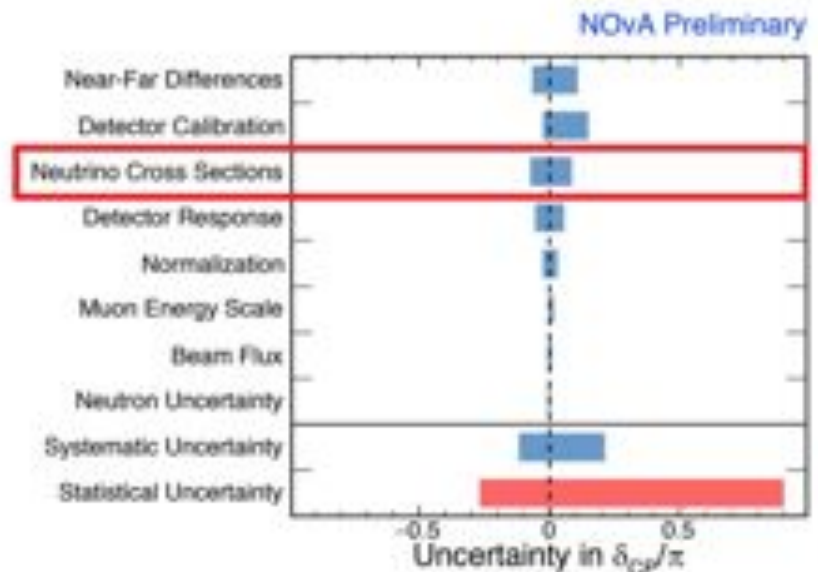


Neutrino cross sections in OA

- Large systematics at T2K and NOvA long-baseline oscillation experiments

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T2K August 2018, <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1807.07891.pdf>

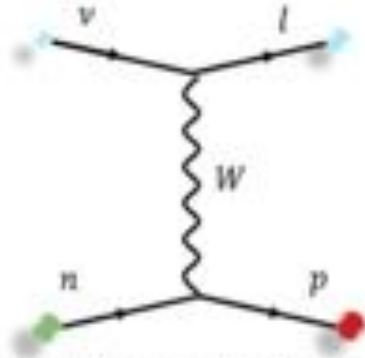


NOvA Wine and Cheese, A. Himmel, June 15, 2018

- NOvA's extensive detector calibration makes neutrino interactions dominant systematic for atmospheric parameters in future

Inferred Proton Kinematics

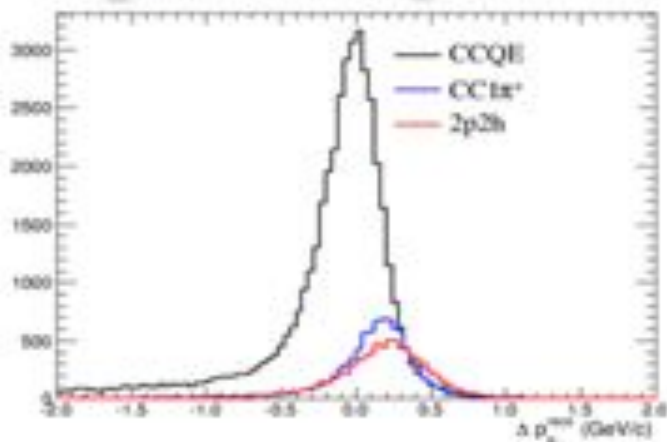
Assuming a 2 body interaction the proton kinematics can be determined from the measured lepton kinematics



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

$$E_p^{inferred} = E_\nu - E_\mu + m_p,$$

$$\vec{p}_p^{inferred} = (-p_\mu^x, -p_\mu^y, -p_\mu^z + E_\nu),$$



$$\Delta p_p = |\vec{p}_p^{measured}| - |\vec{p}_p^{inferred}|,$$

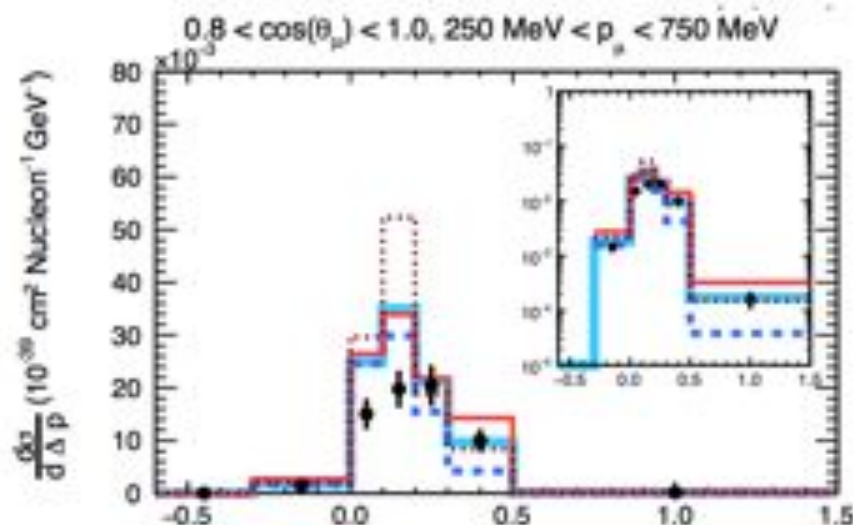
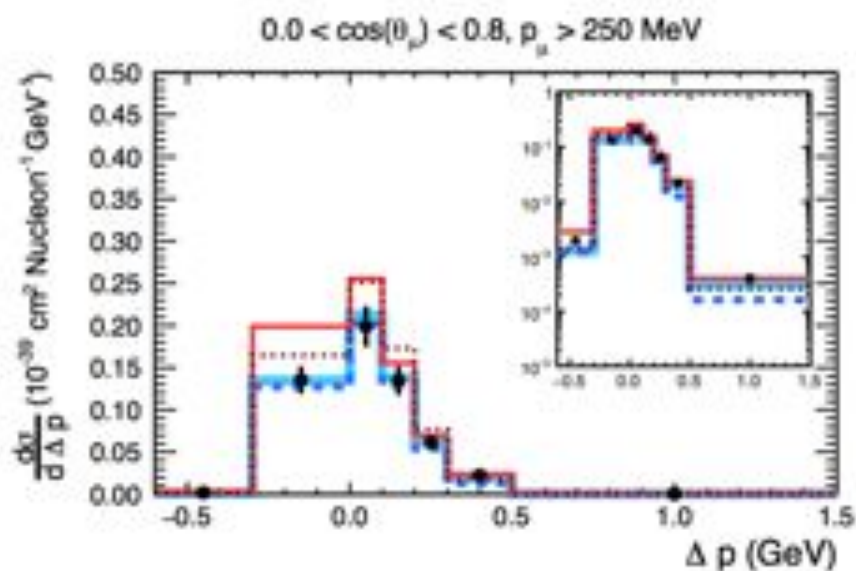
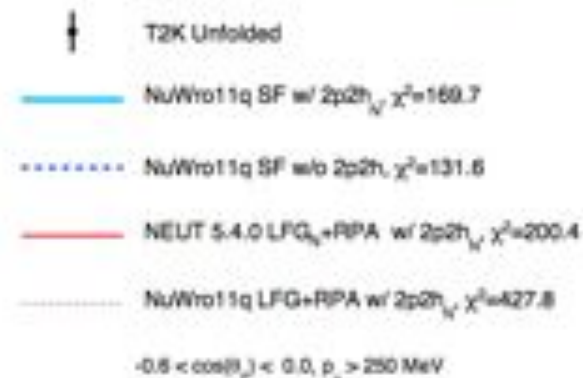
$$\Delta\theta_p = \theta_p^{measured} - \theta_p^{inferred},$$

$$|\Delta\mathbf{p}| = |\vec{p}_p^{measured} - \vec{p}_p^{inferred}|.$$

Differences between inferred and measured proton kinematics manifest due to nuclear effects

Inferred Proton Kinematics WARWICK

Measurement is provided as a function of muon kinematics and inferred proton kinematics
Examples:



No model tested perfectly describes the data everywhere
(as indicated by large χ^2)

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In FHC, the anti- ν_e component is tiny, however in RHC the neutrino energy tail has almost identical populations of ν_e and anti- ν_e . Thus, for the anti-neutrino oscillations the knowledge of both ν_e and anti- ν_e beam composition is important, as they both are irreducible backgrounds at far detector.

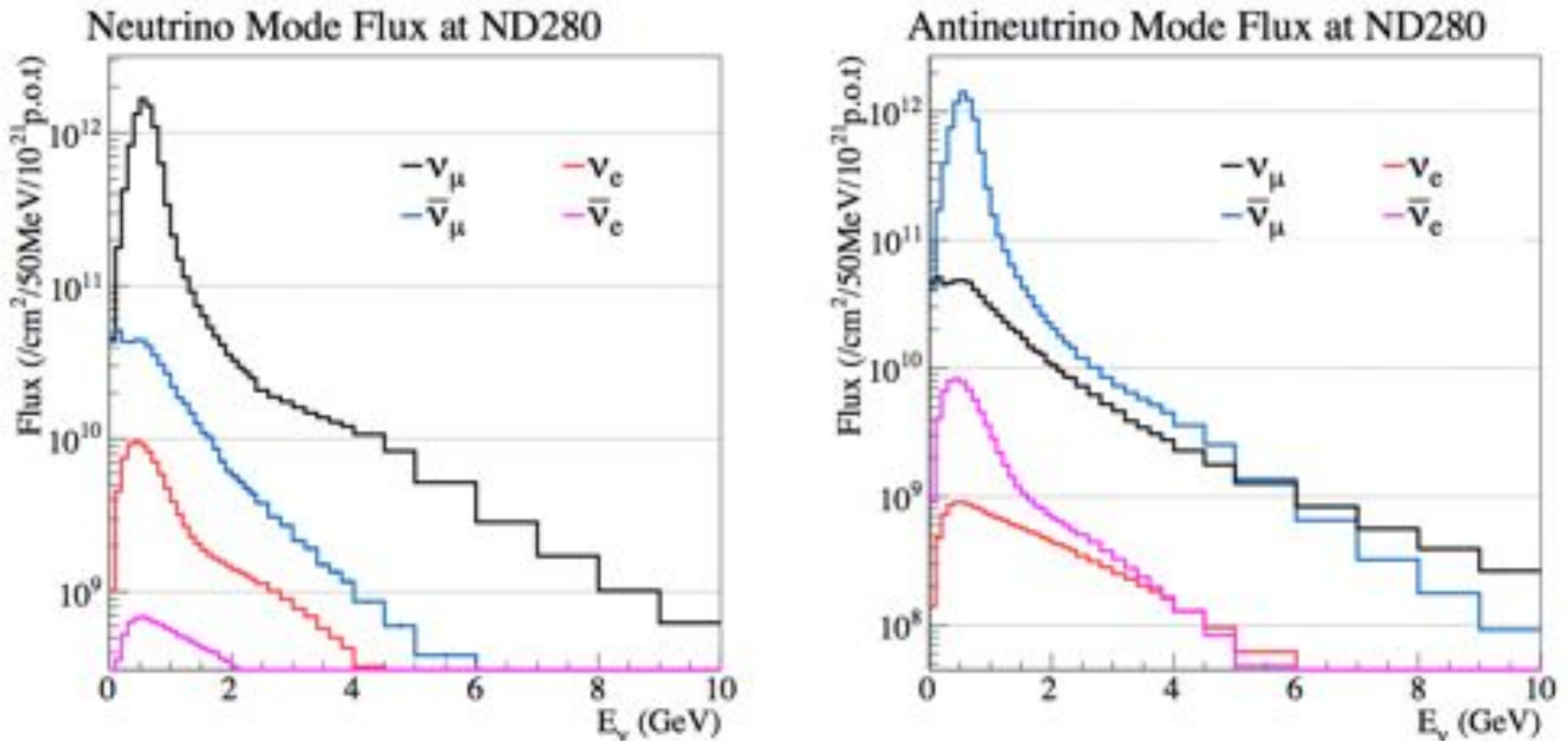


Figure 1: The neutrino flux in FHC (left) and RHC (right). From [1].

[1] T2K Technical Note 217

ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux

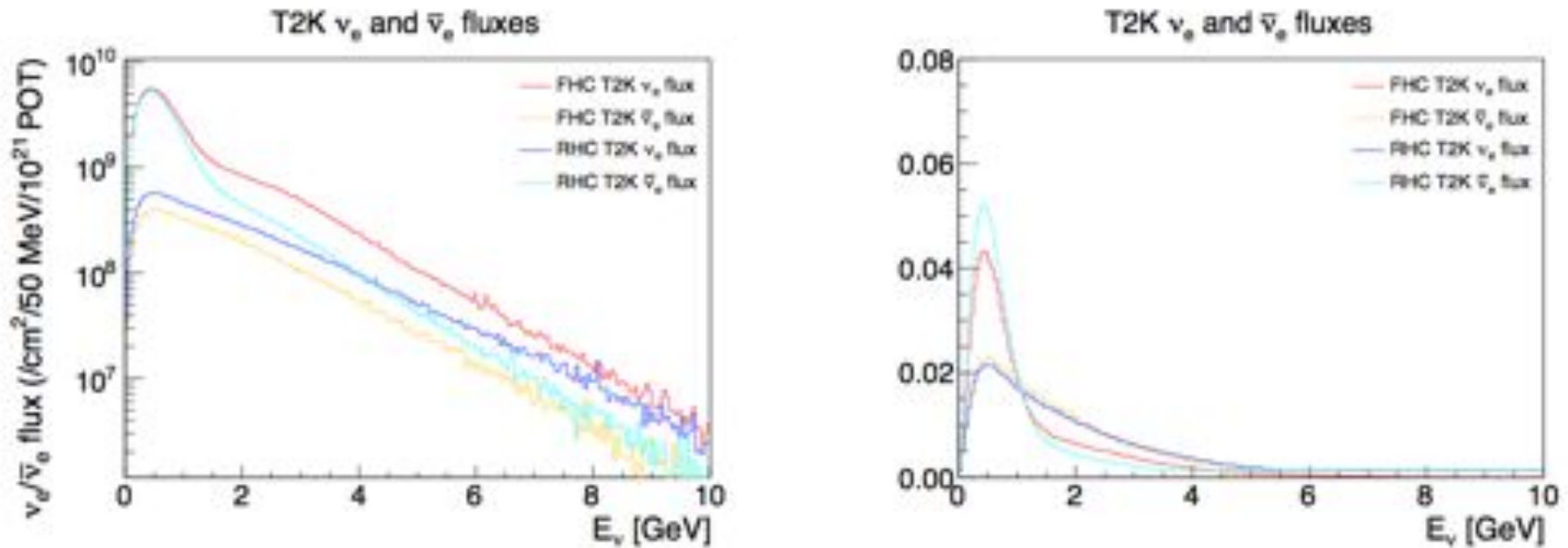
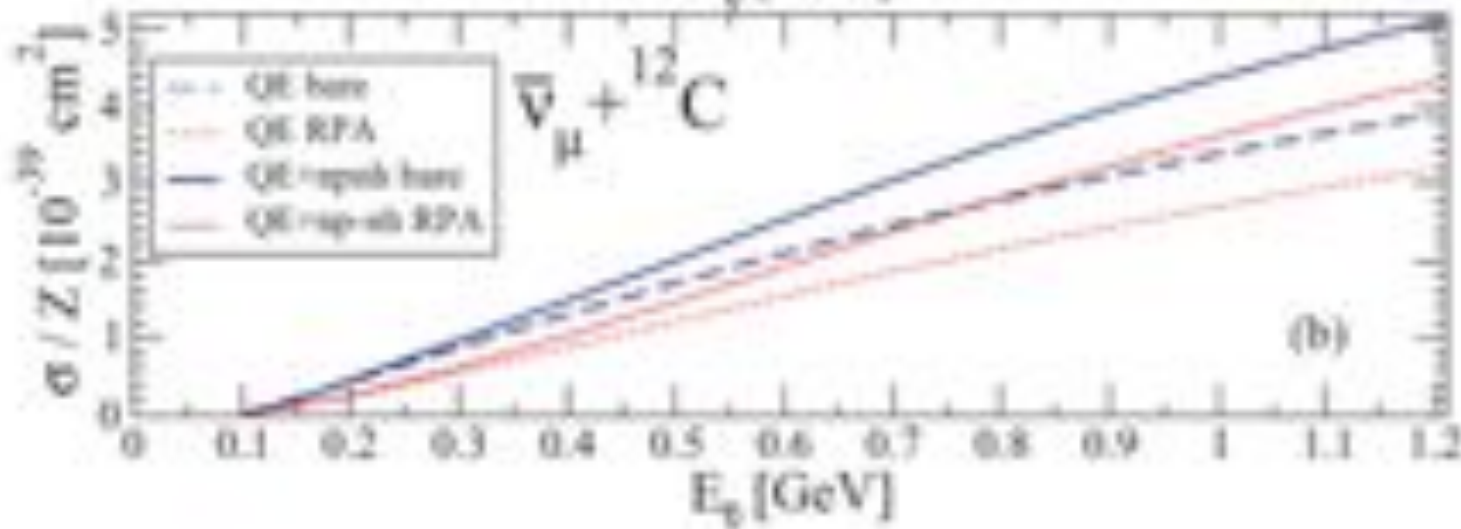
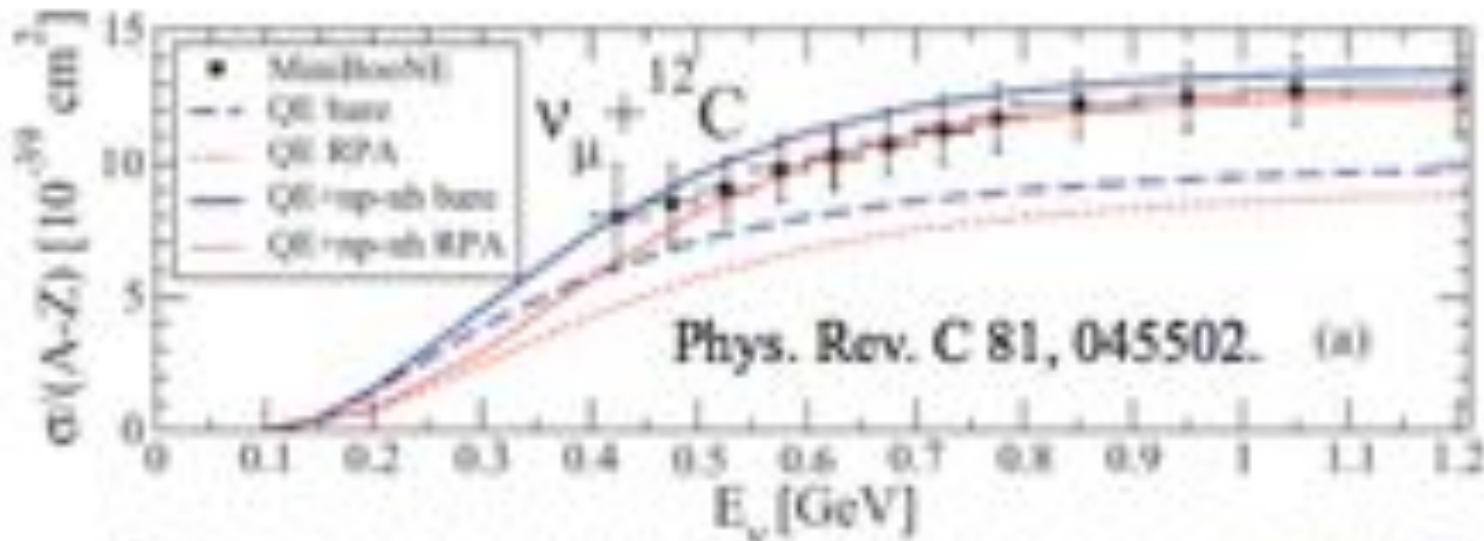
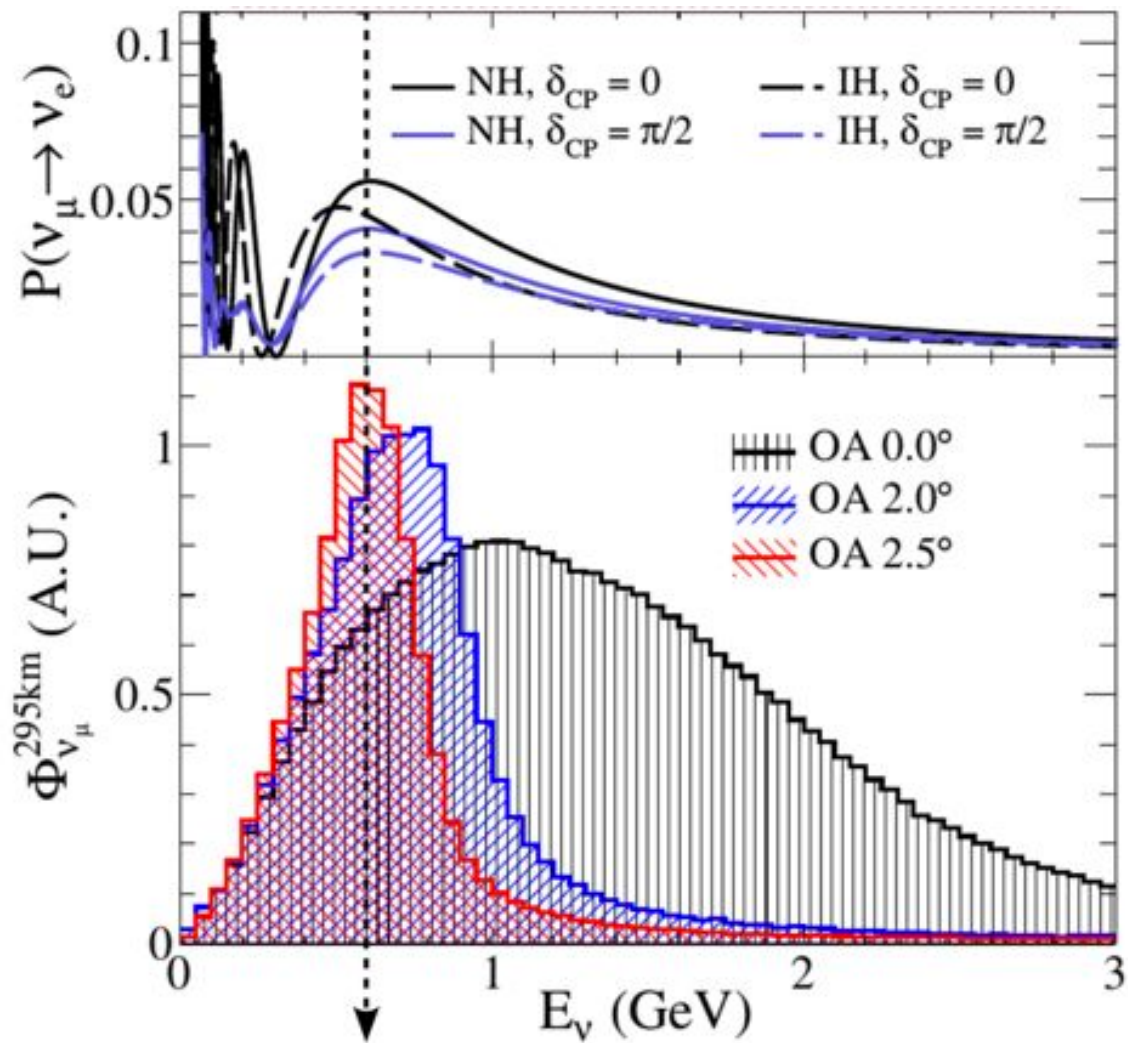


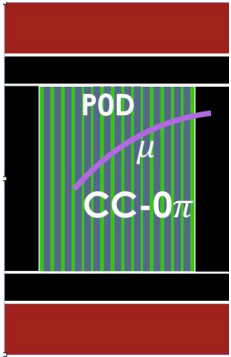
Figure 2: The ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ neutrino fluxes in FHC and RHC. All fluxes in right plot are normalised to unity.

ν_μ and anti- ν_μ as 2p2h probe

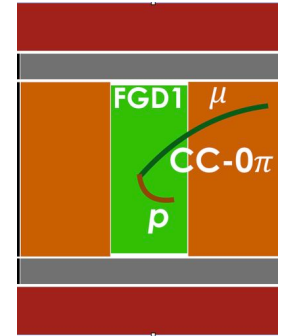


Off and on axis fluxes



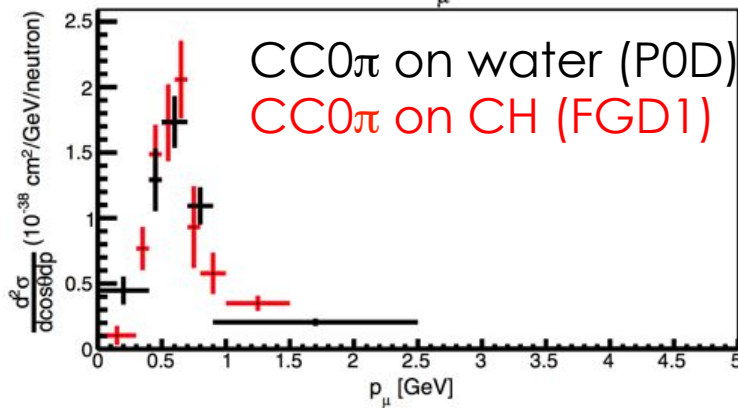


CC0 π on CH and H₂O

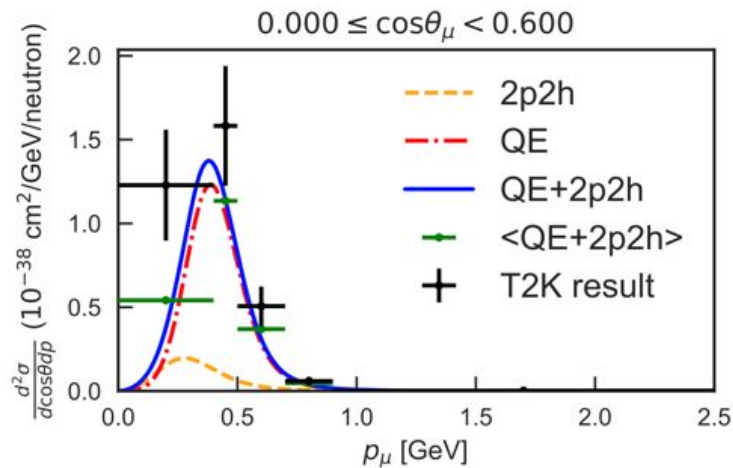


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$0.850 \leq \cos\theta_\mu < 0.900$



Water: comparison with Susav2



- Off axis.
- CC0 π ~ 80% CCQE + 12% 2p2h
- Two independent measurements: FGD1 (2016) and POD (2018)
- Comparison with various models
- Low momentum, high angle region under-predicted
- 2p2h required
- Try to look at the protons to learn more!

