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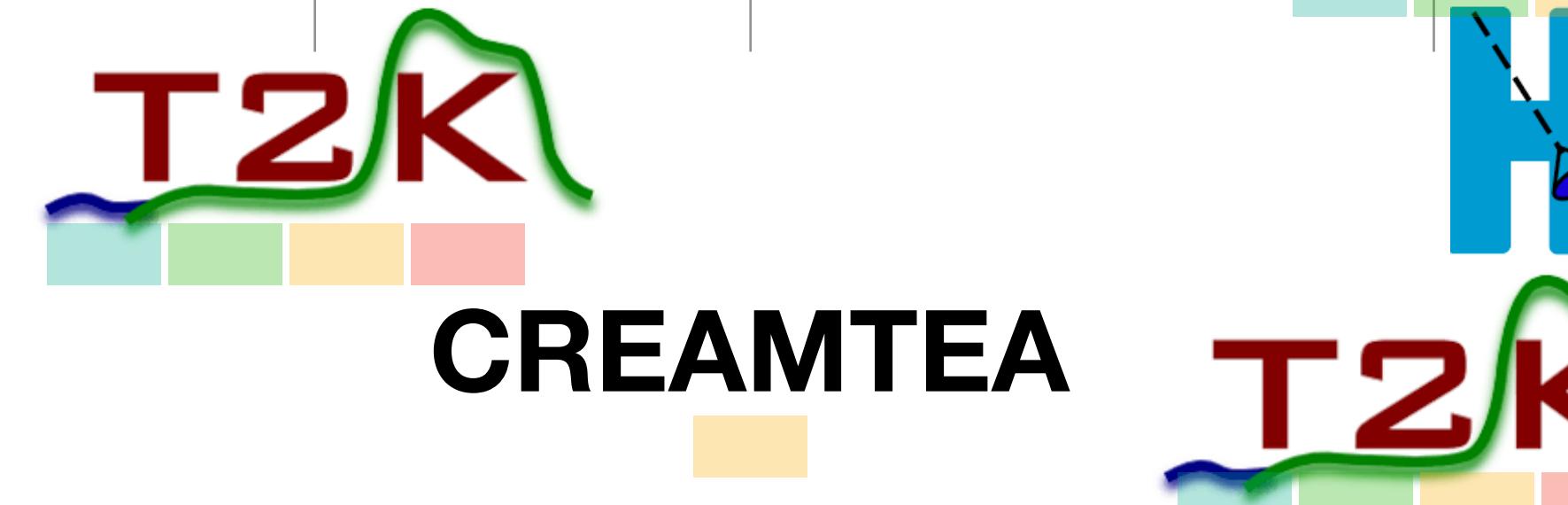
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Neutrino
Oscillations

Neutrino
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The plan for today

(Overview of my research interests)

Neutrino Astronomy

Neutrino Interactions

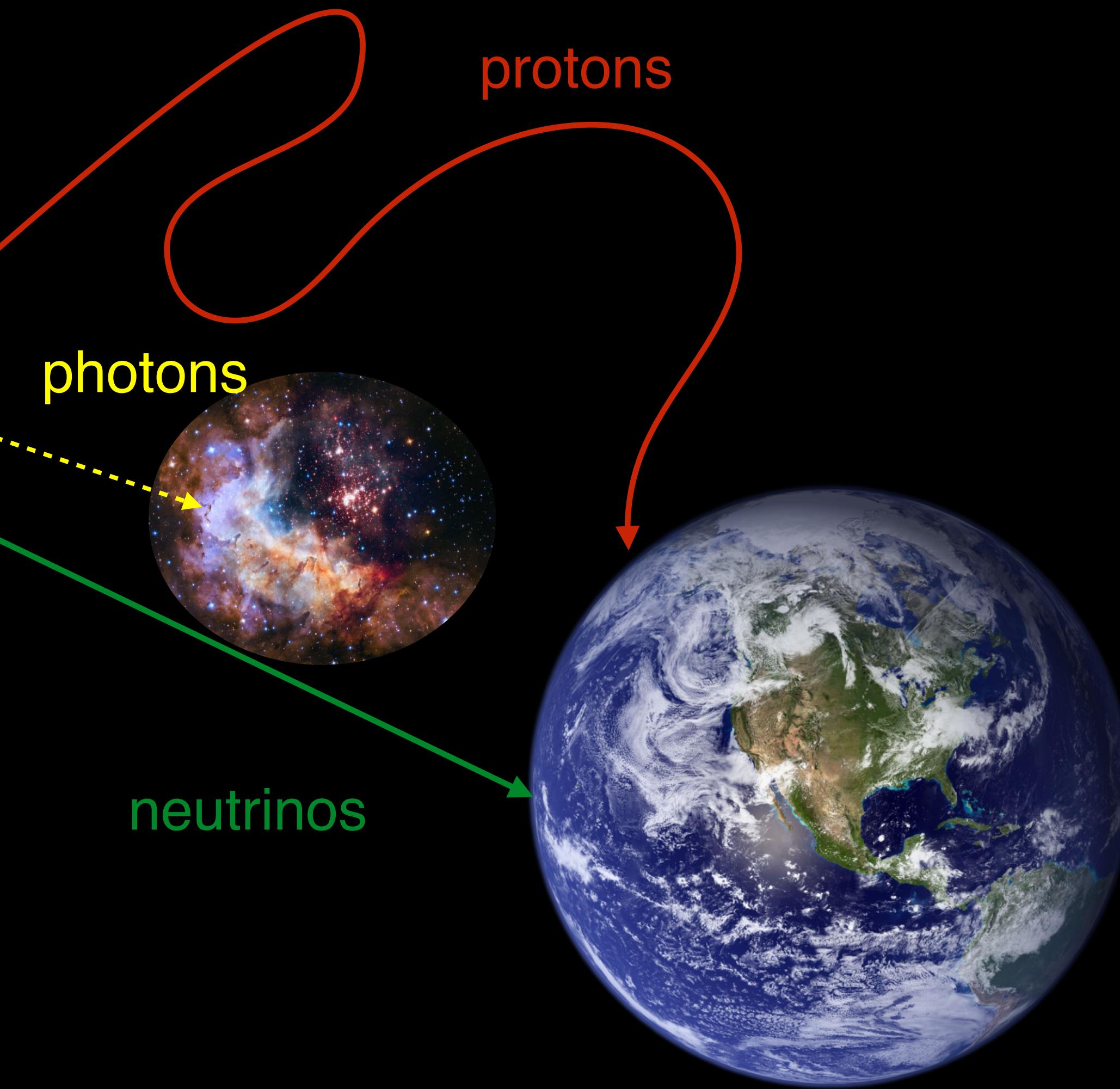
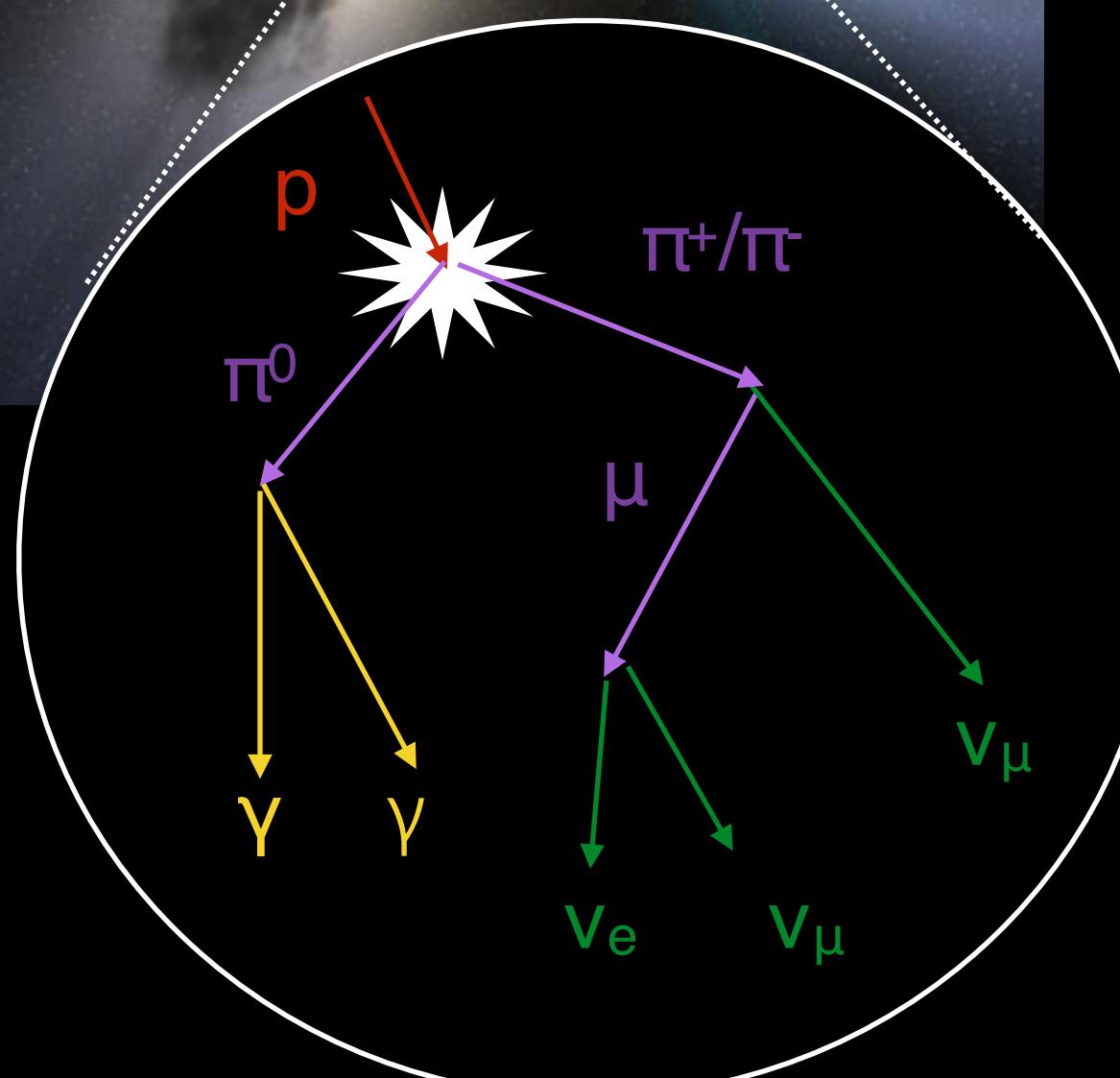
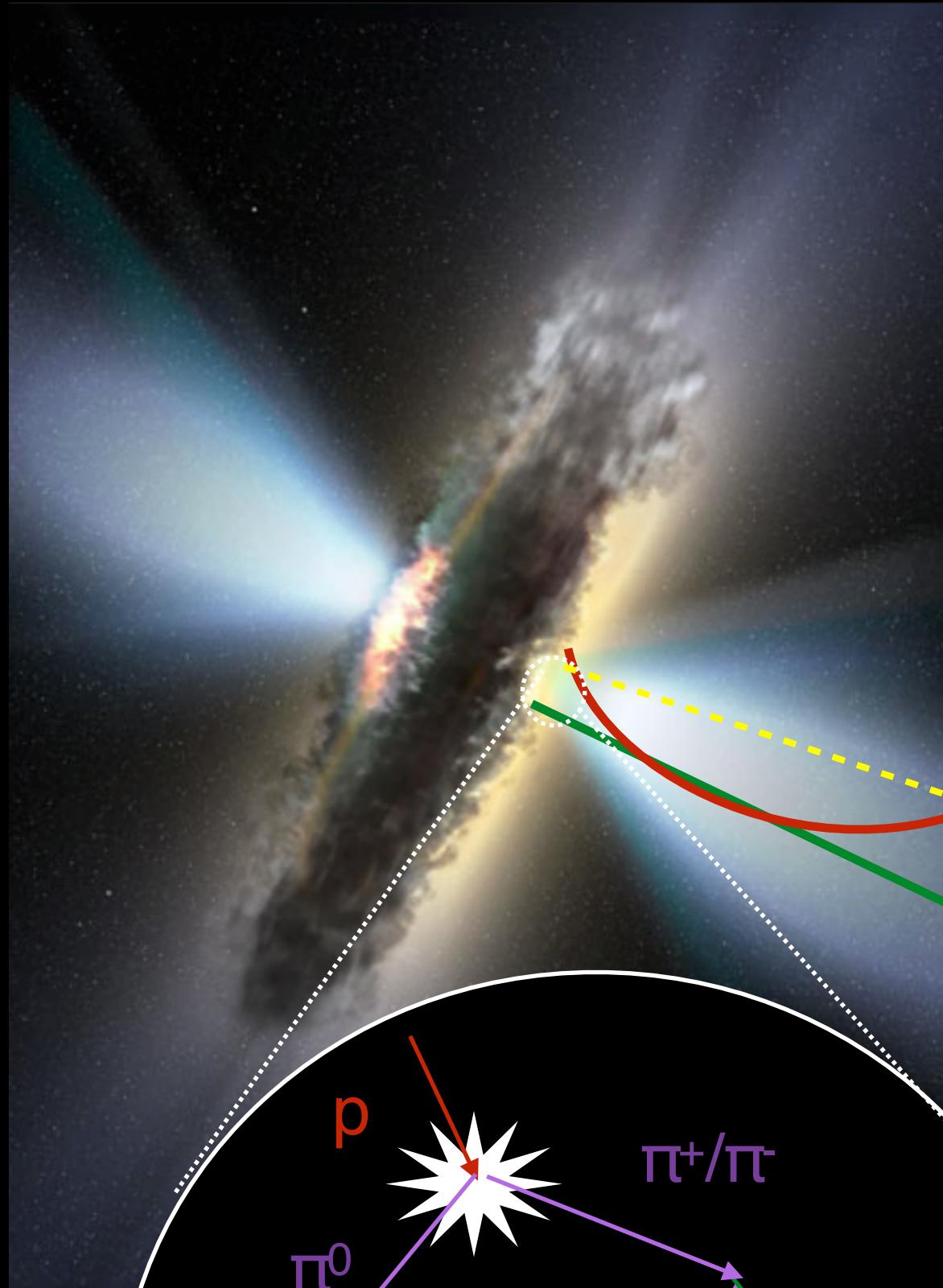
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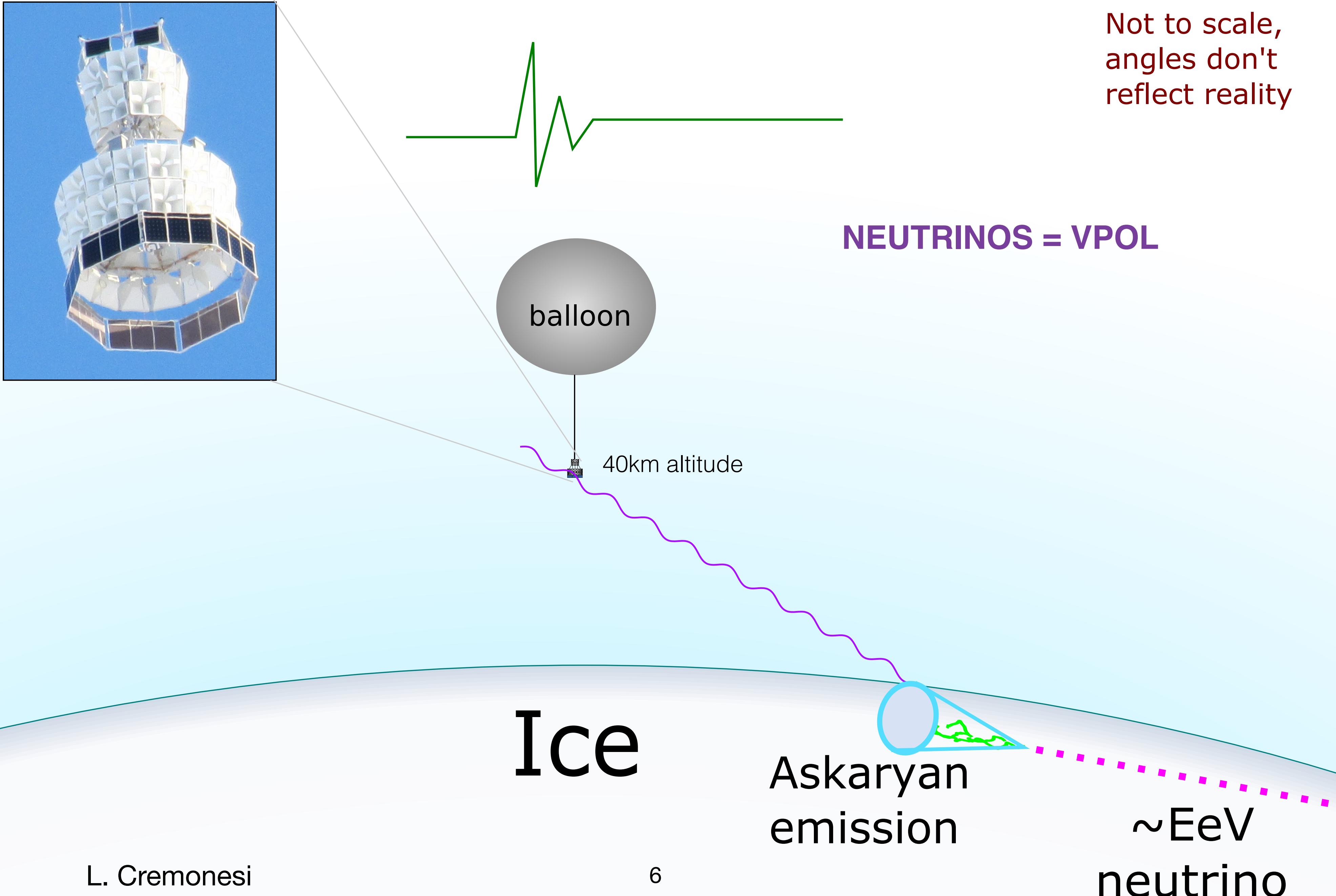
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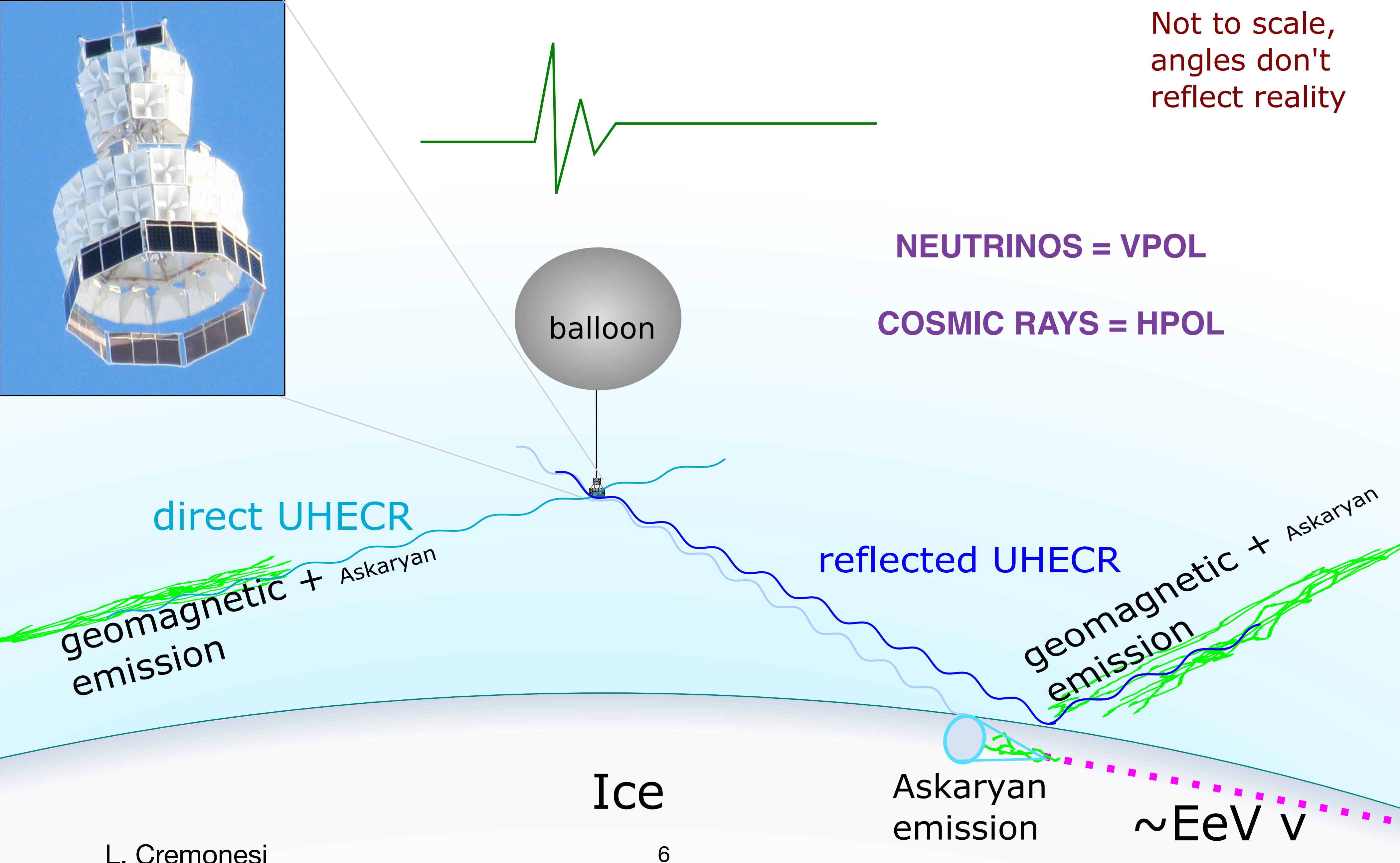
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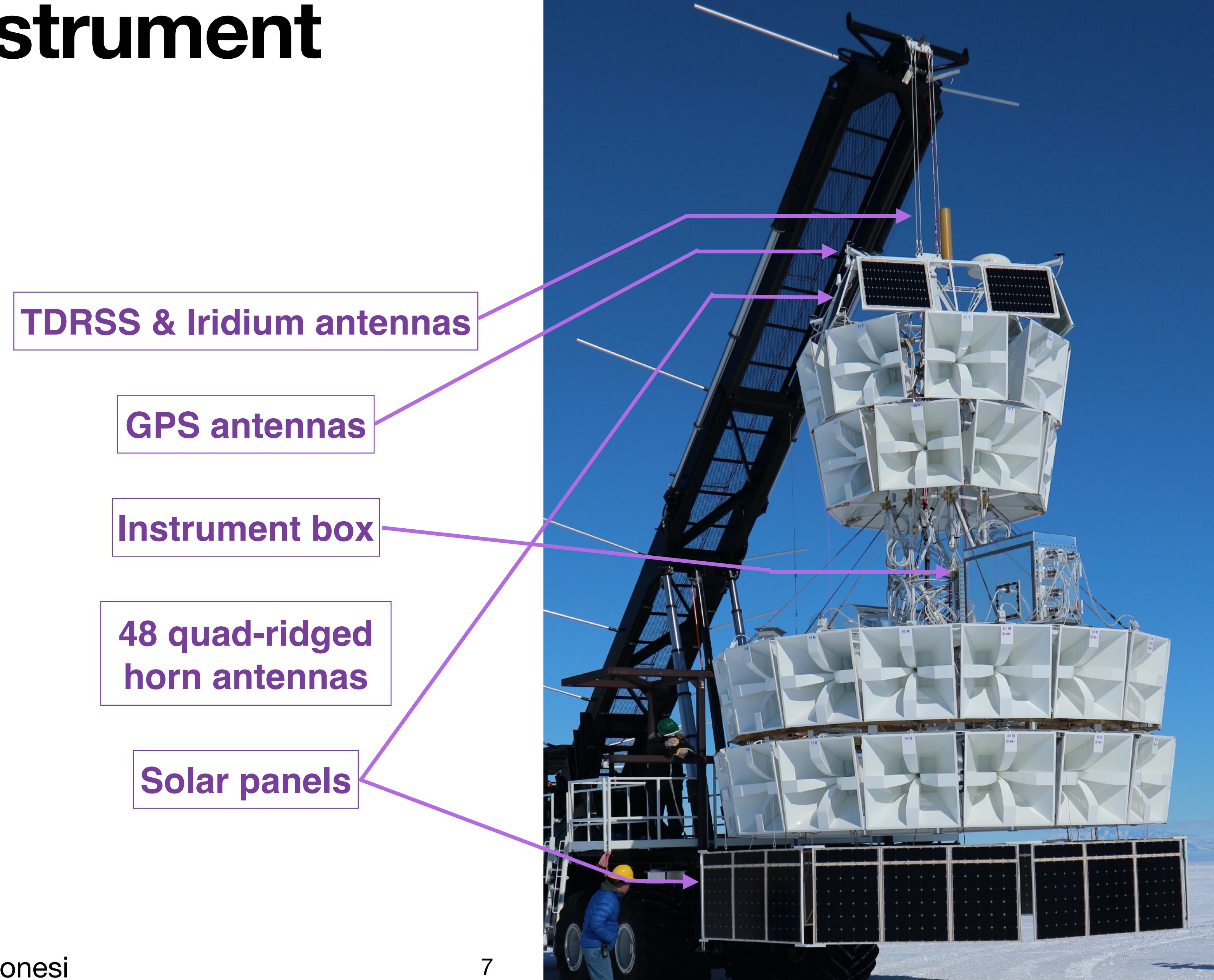
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ANITA instrument



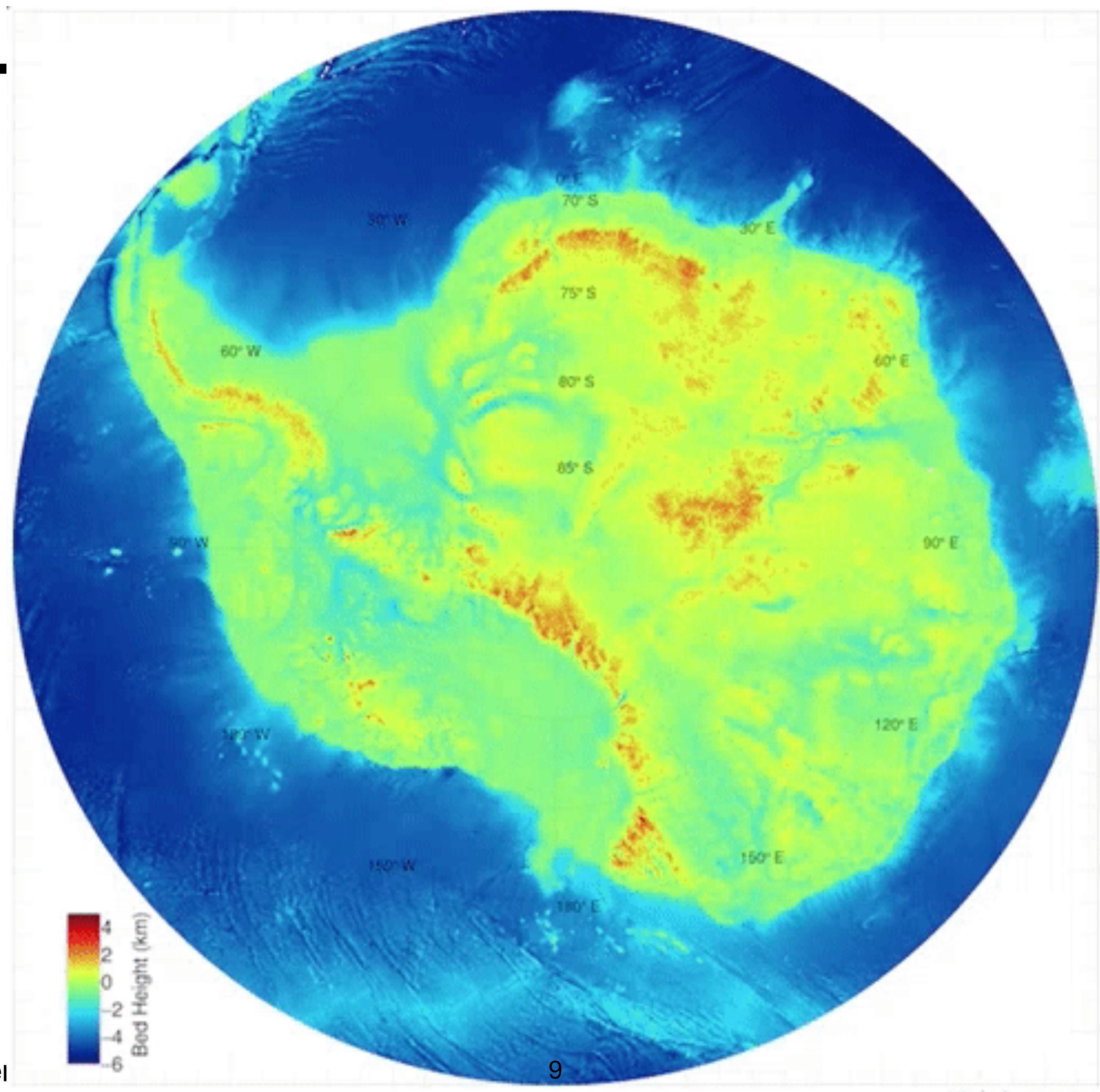
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Take off



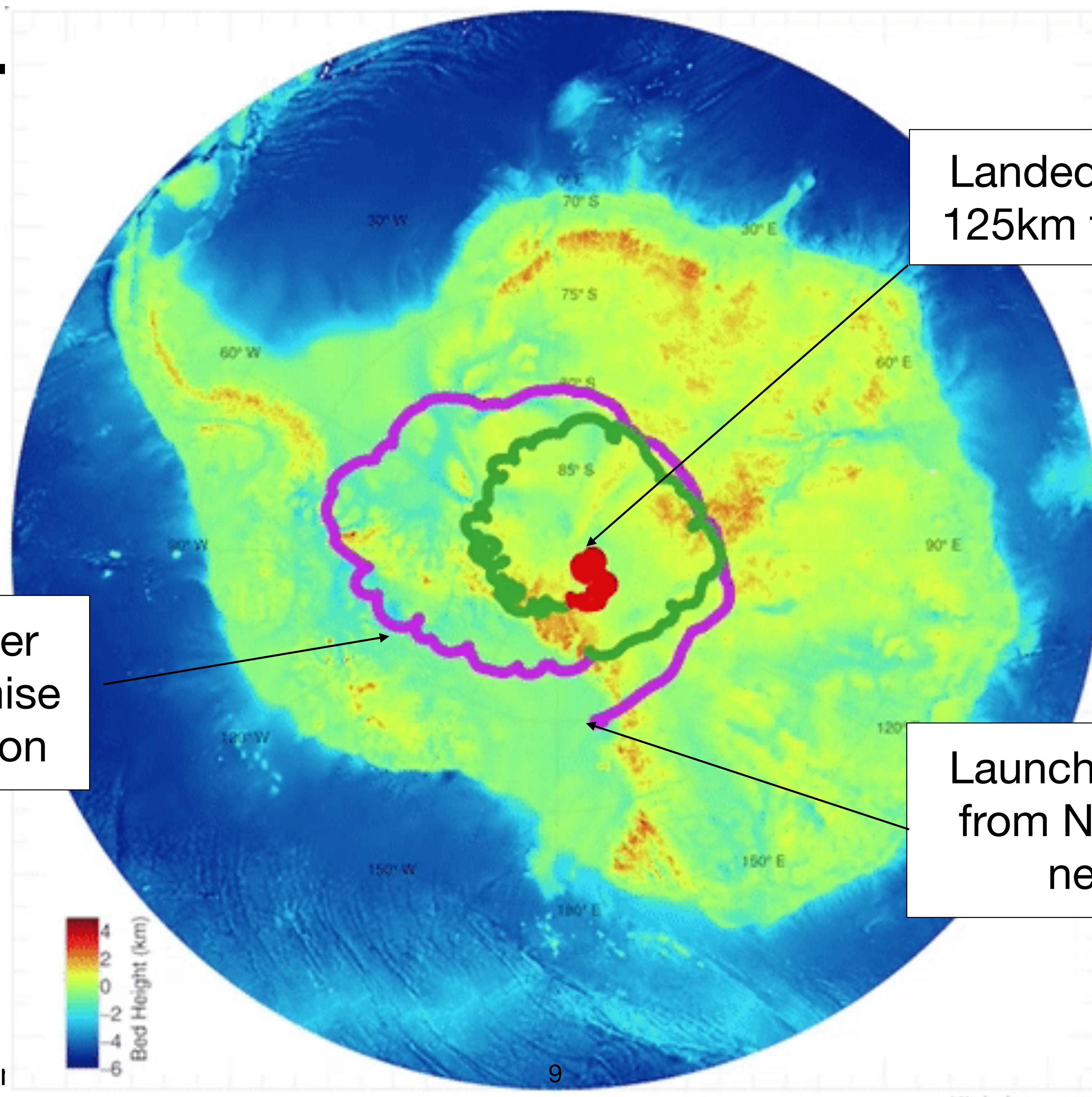
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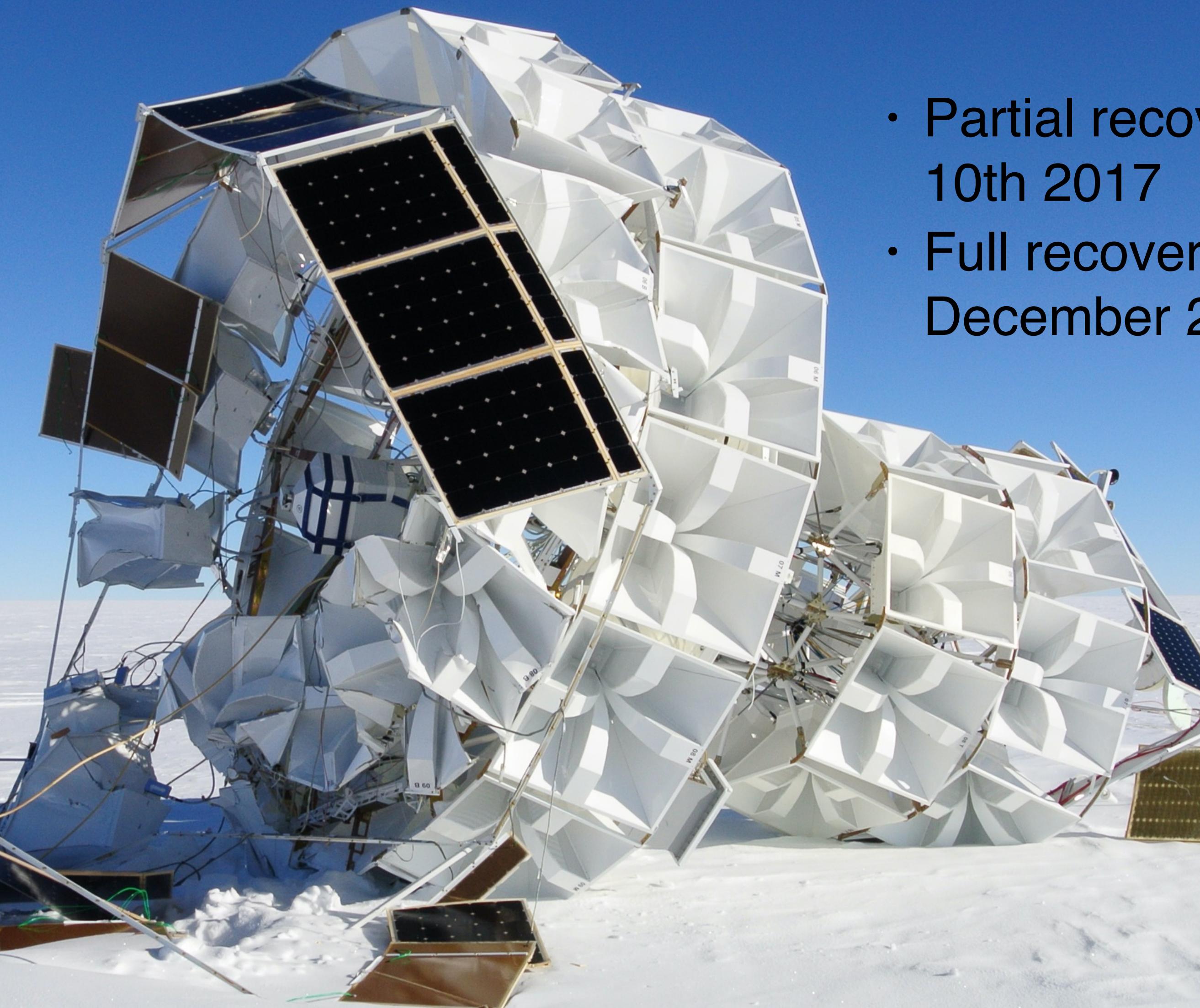
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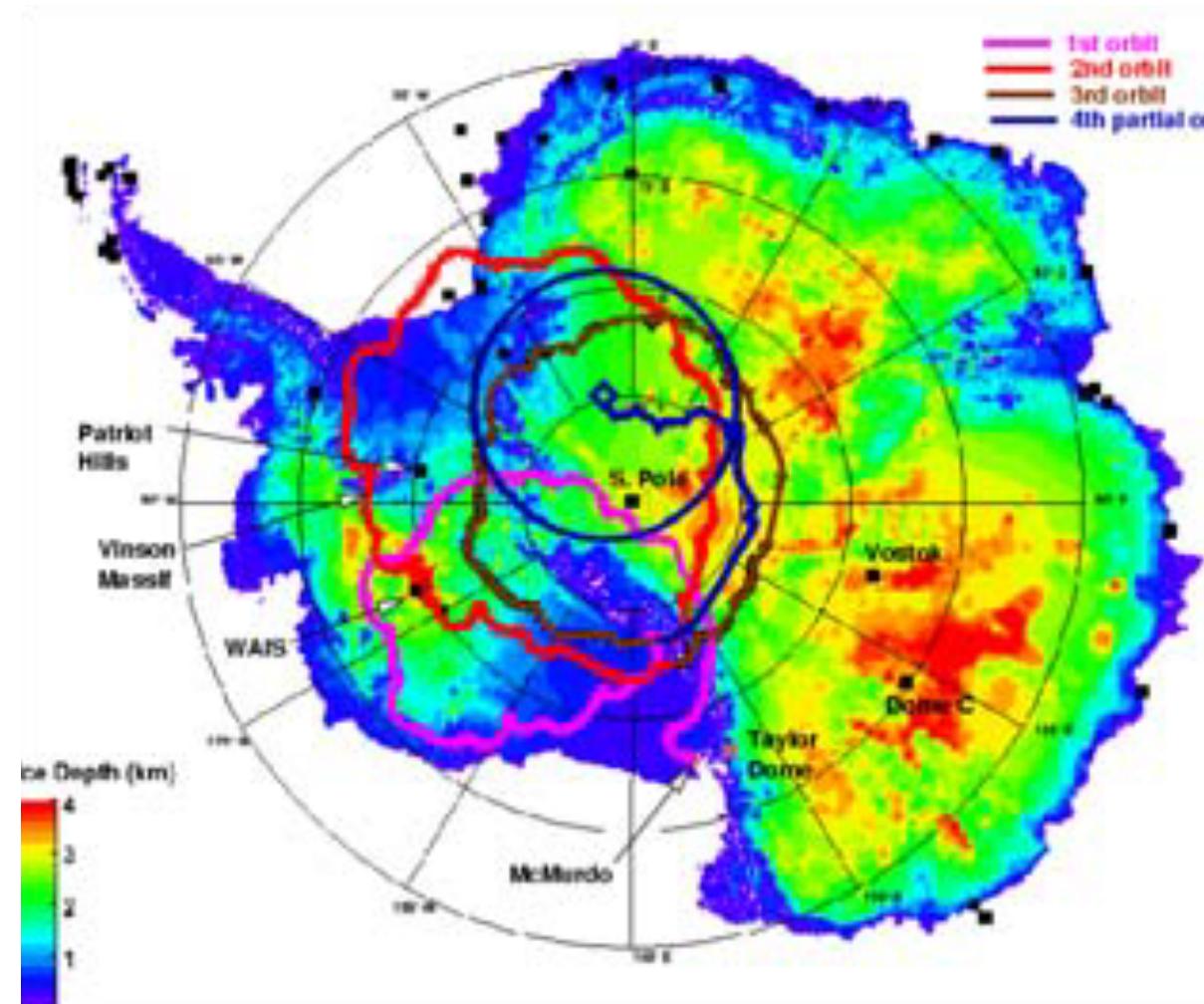
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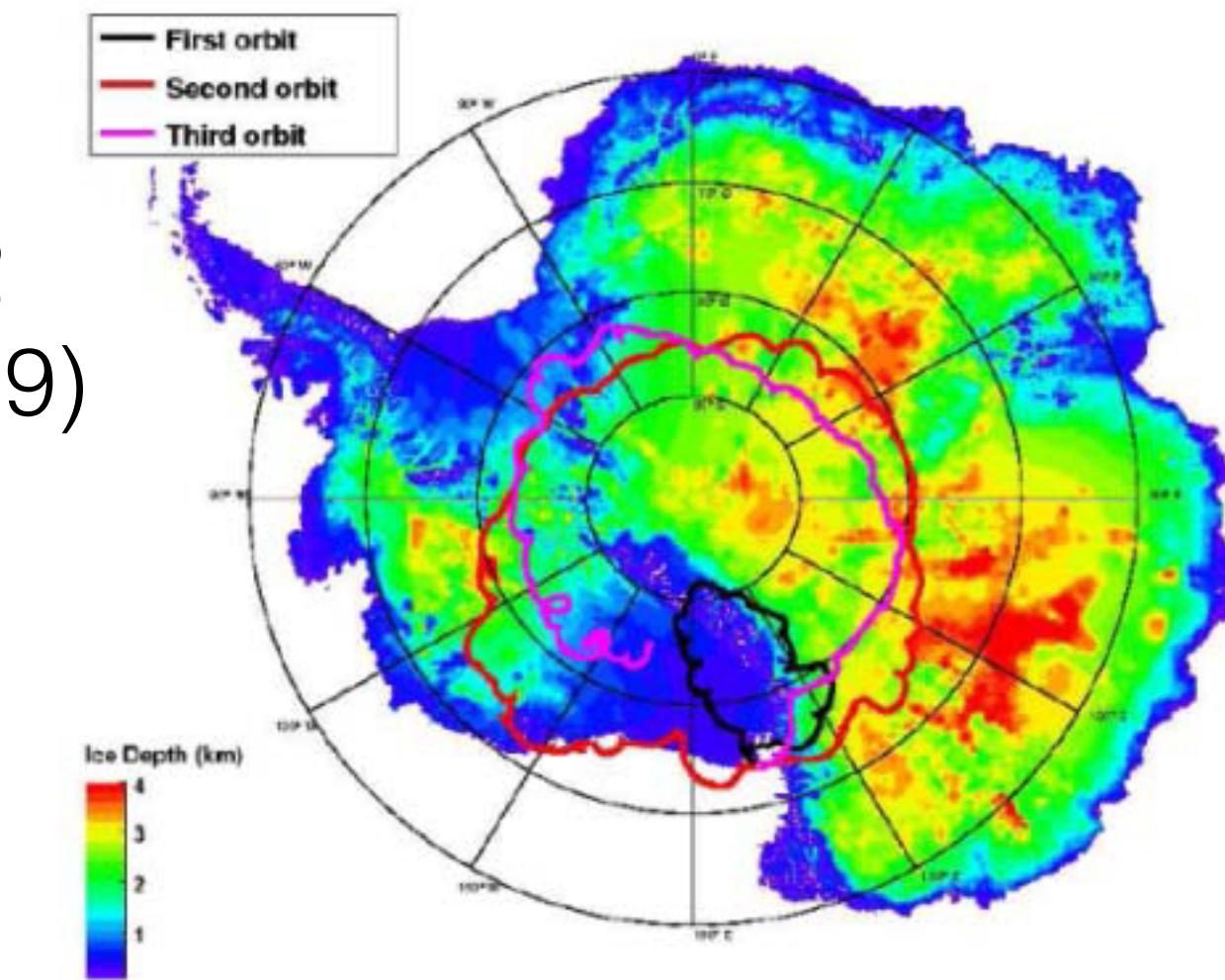
- Partial recovery done on Jan 10th 2017
- Full recovery done in December 2017



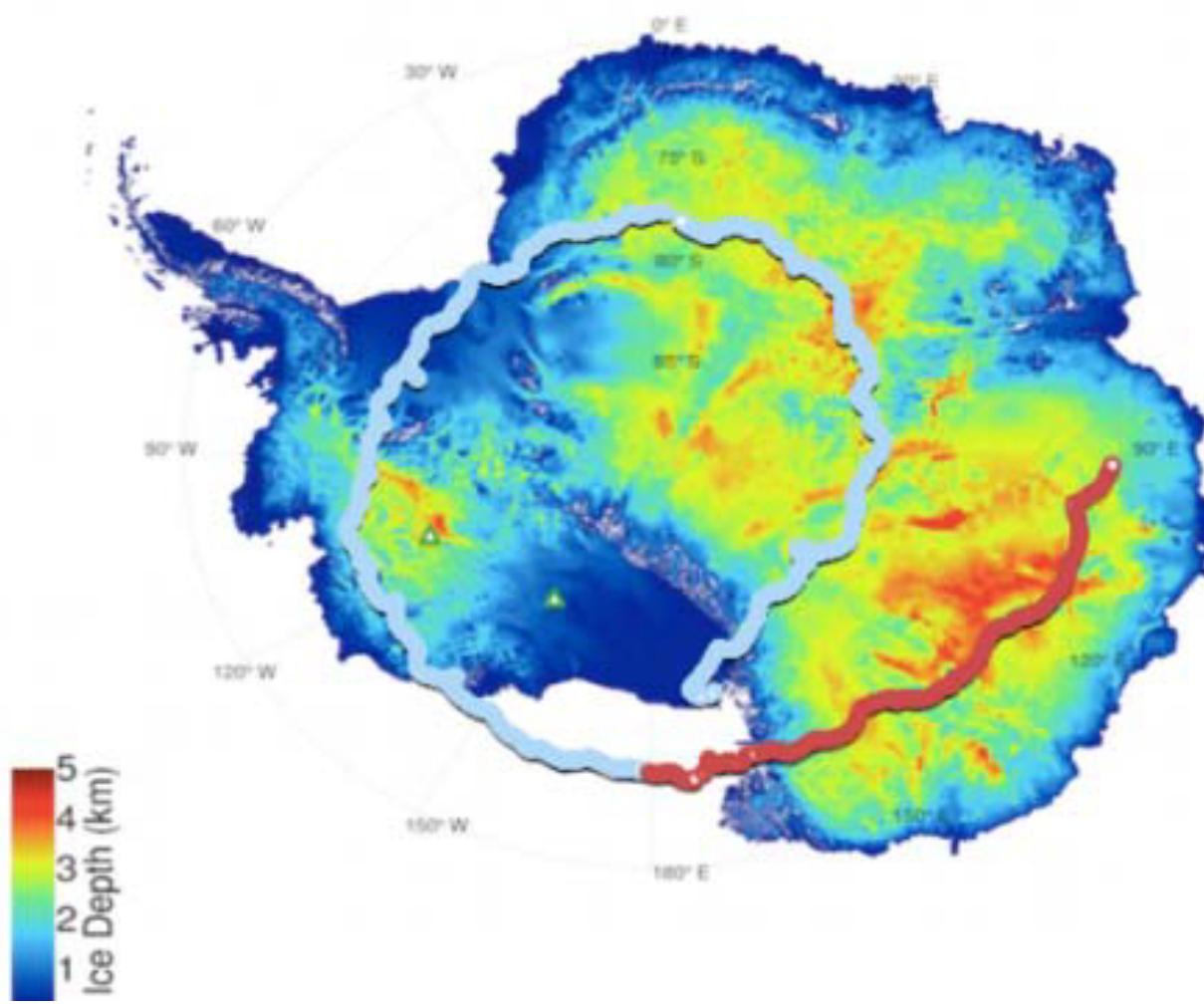
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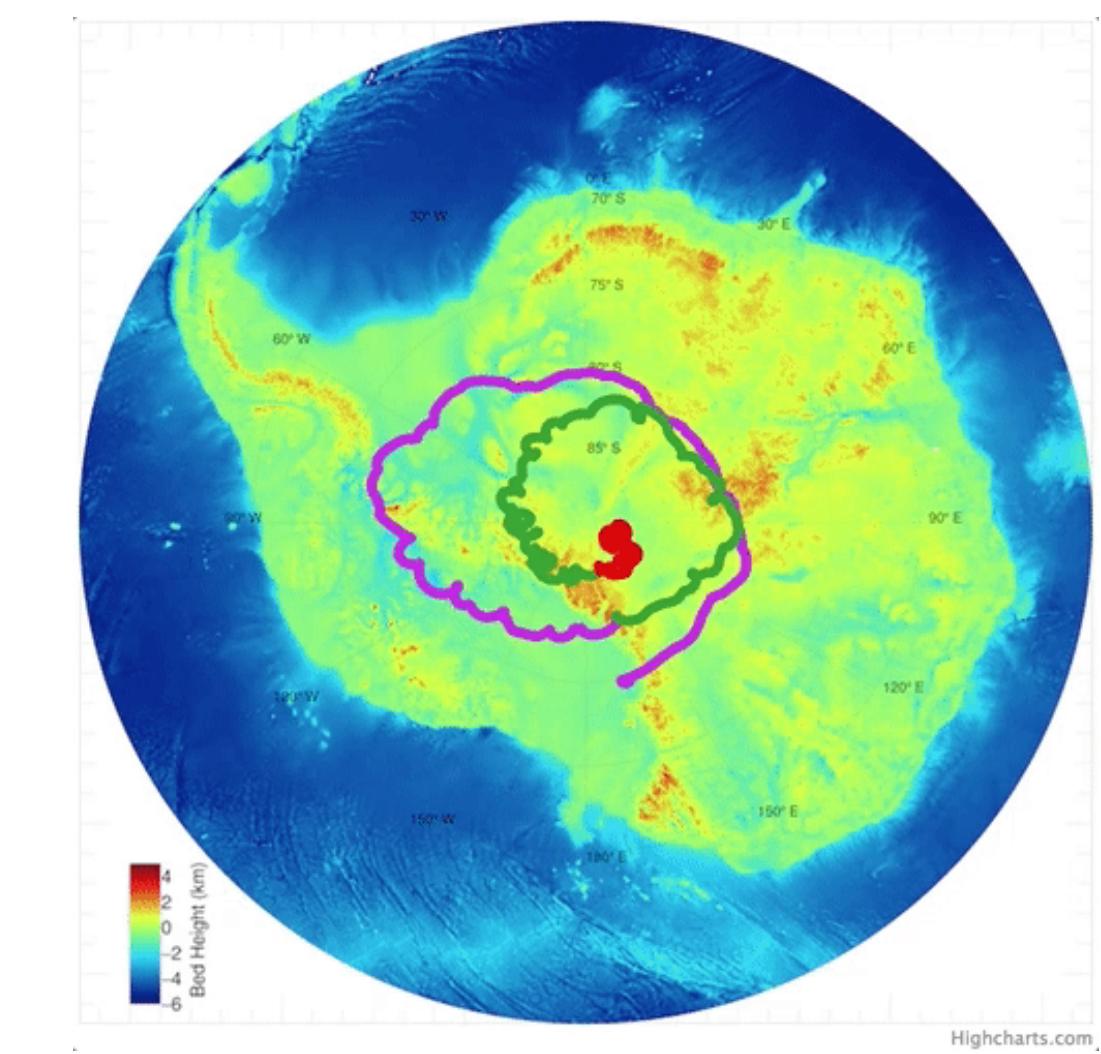
ANITA-1
(2006-2007)
35 days



ANITA-2
(2008-2009)
30 days



ANITA-3
(2014-2015)
22 days

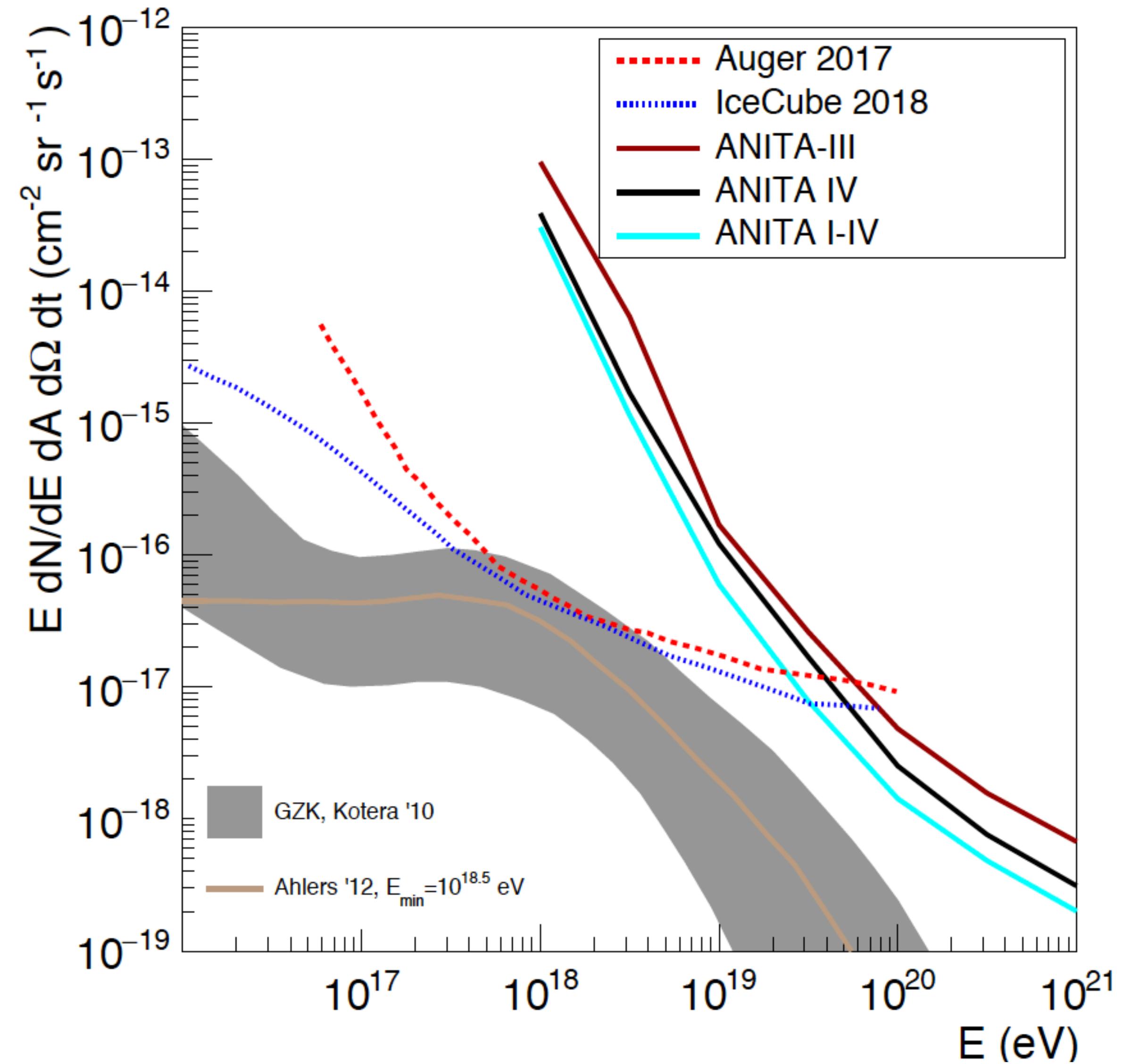
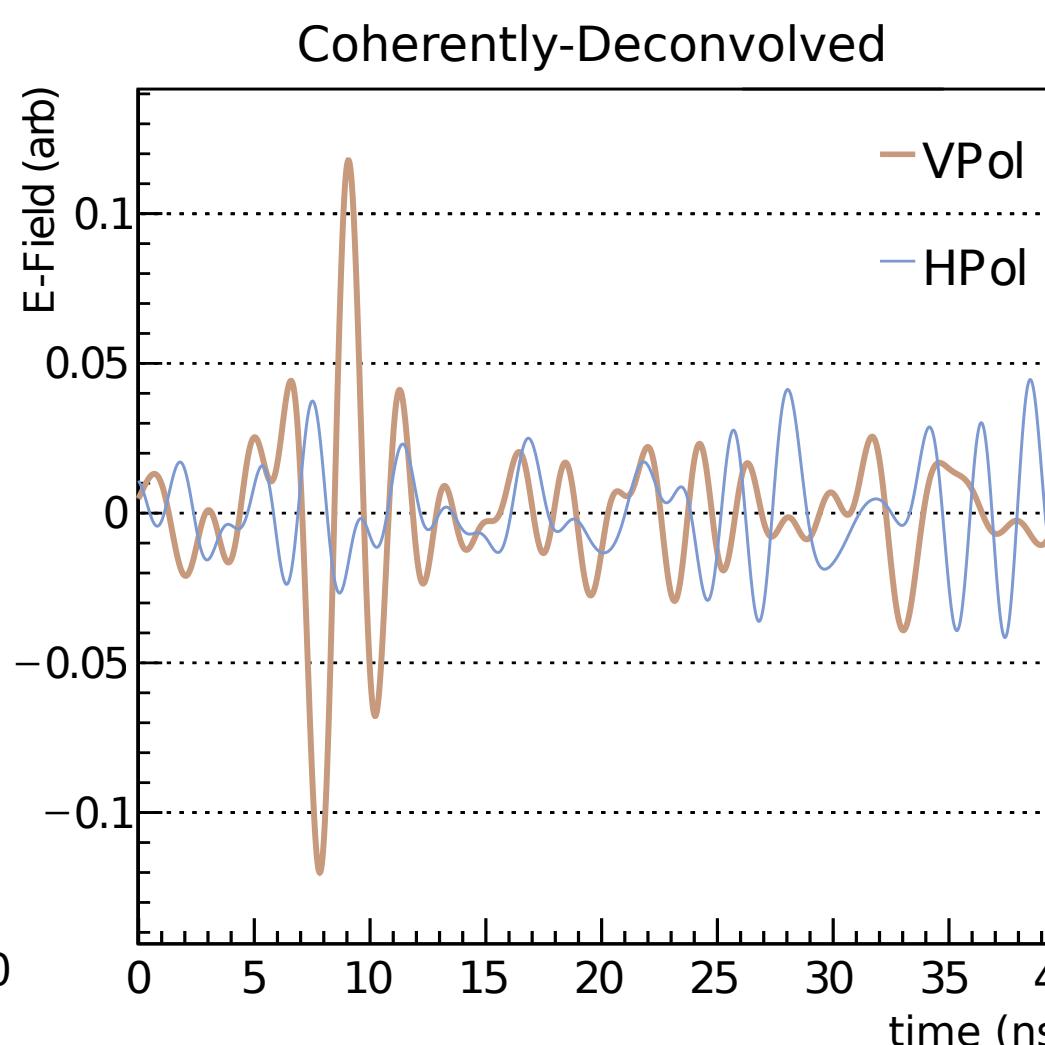
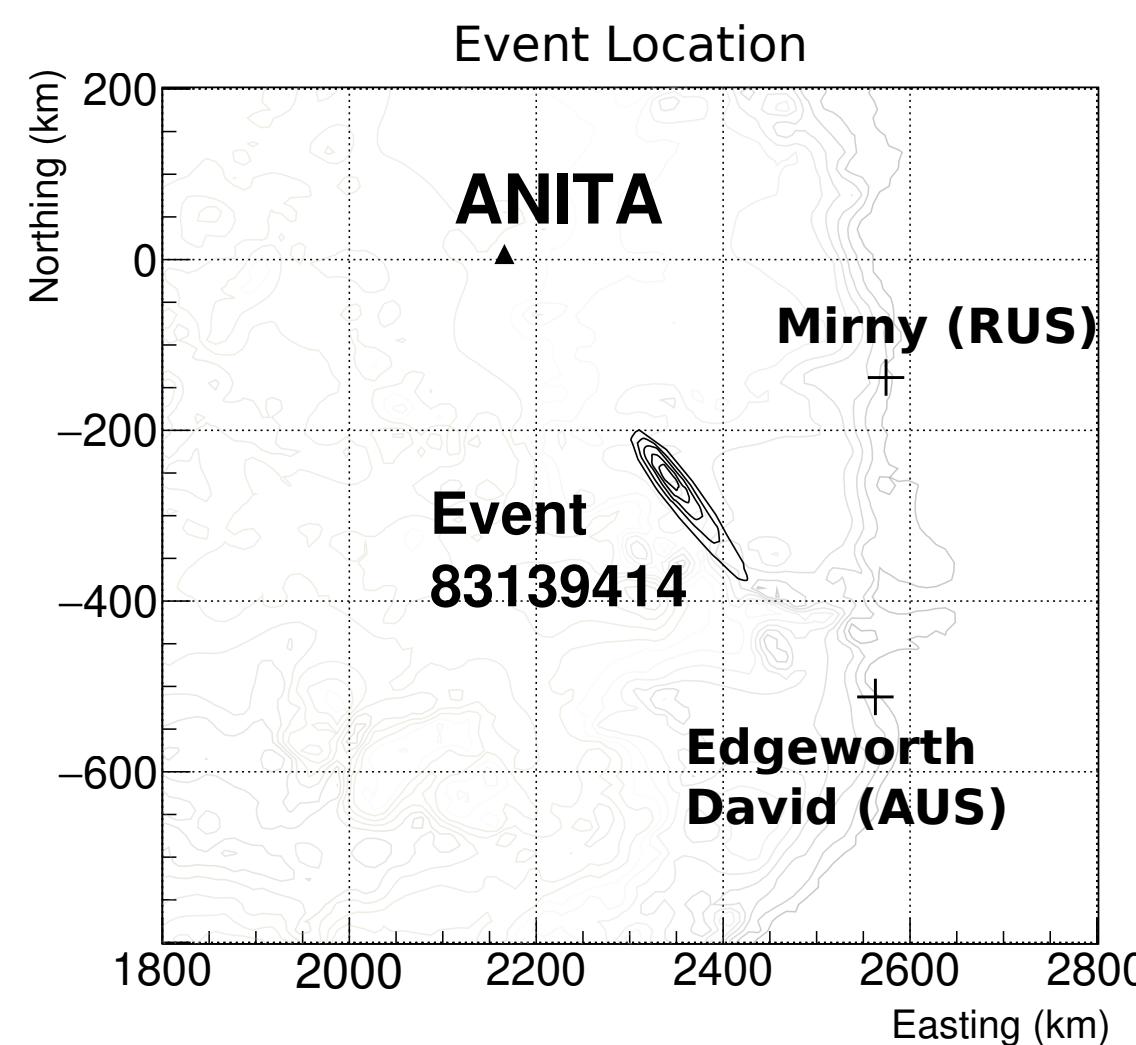


ANITA-4
(2016)
30 days

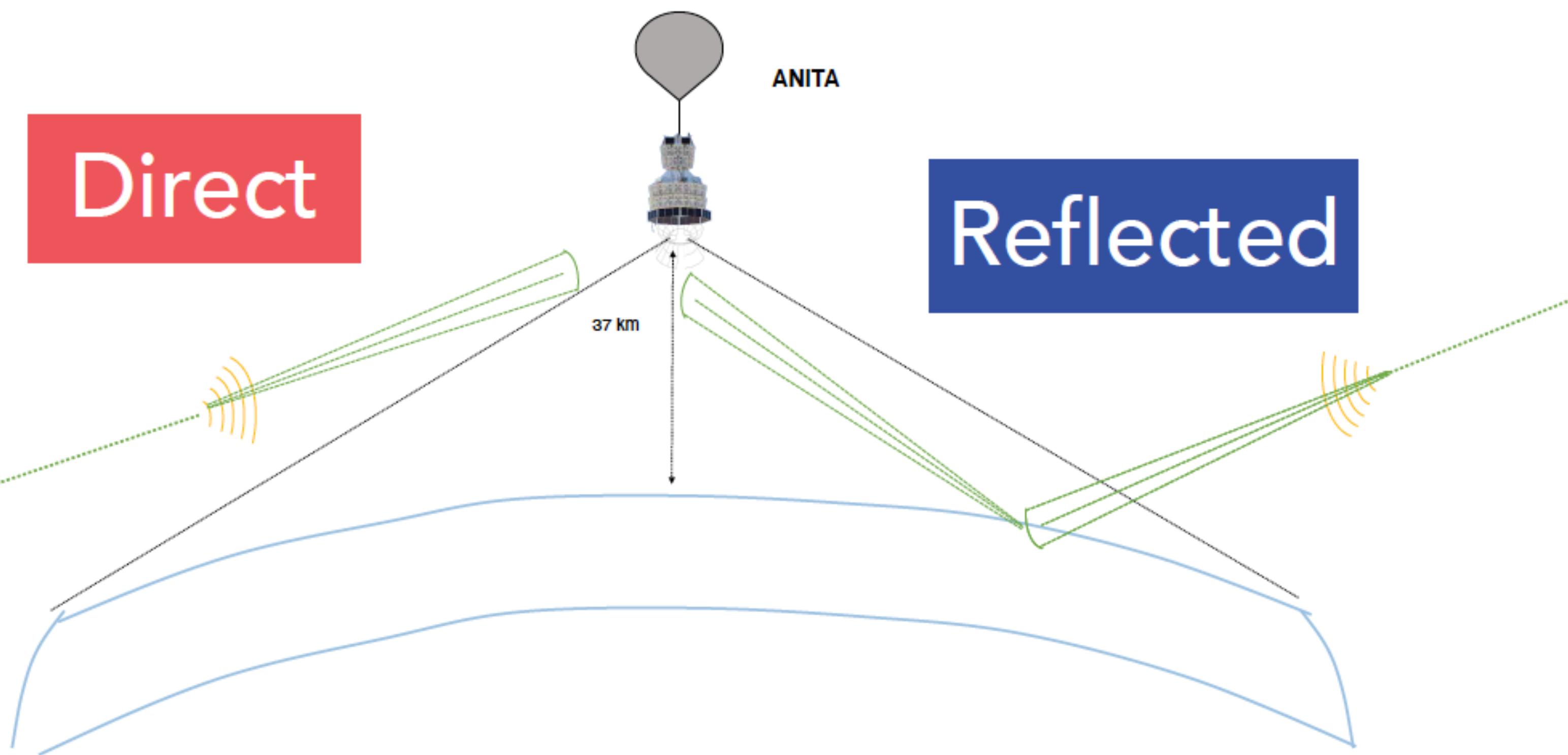
ANITA Neutrino Search

JINST 14.08 (2019), P08011
Phys. Rev. D 99, 122001
Phys. Rev. D 98, 022001

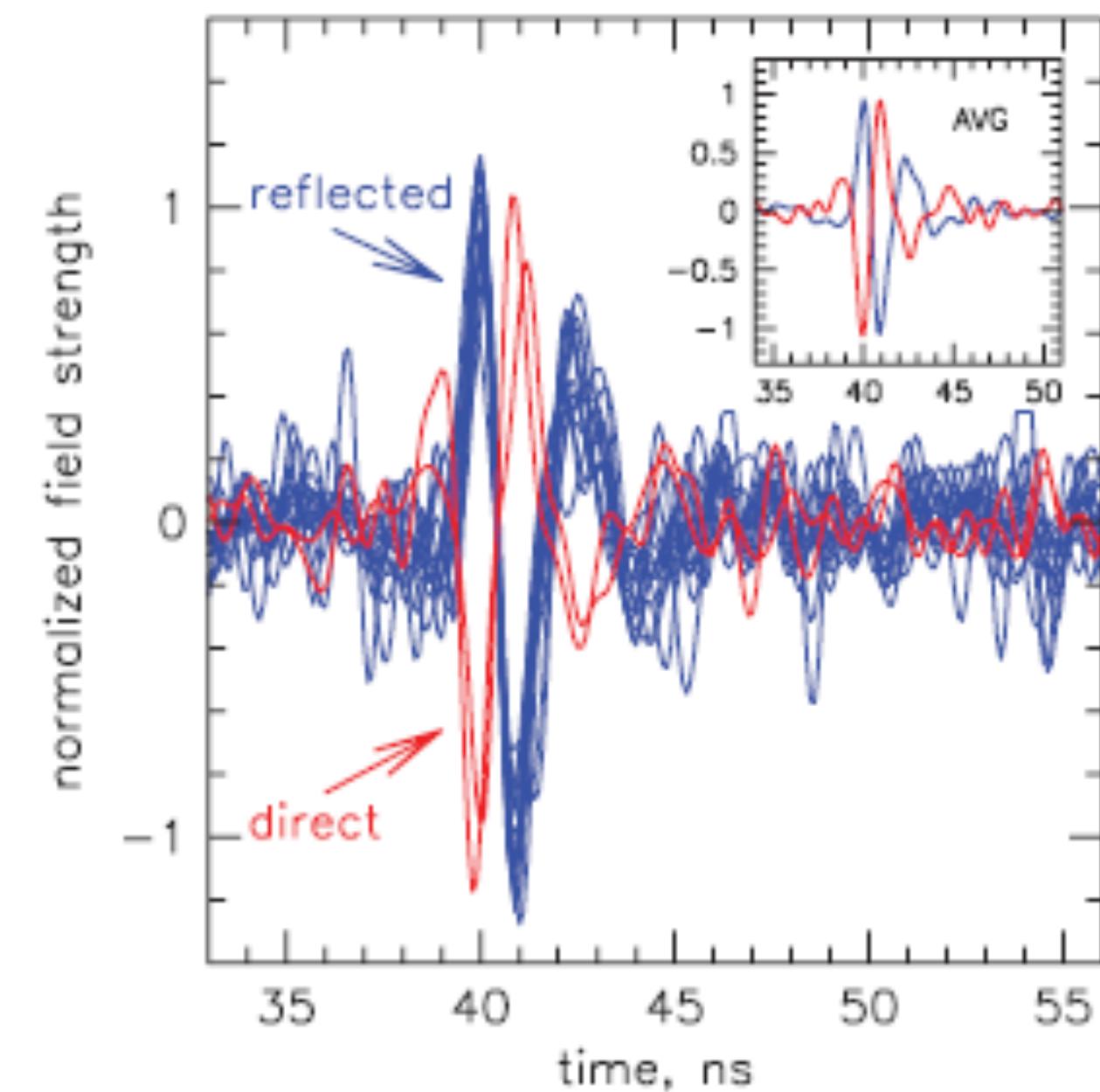
- ANITA-3 and ANITA-4 found 2 events consistent with background estimation
- Most stringent limits at the end of the spectrum



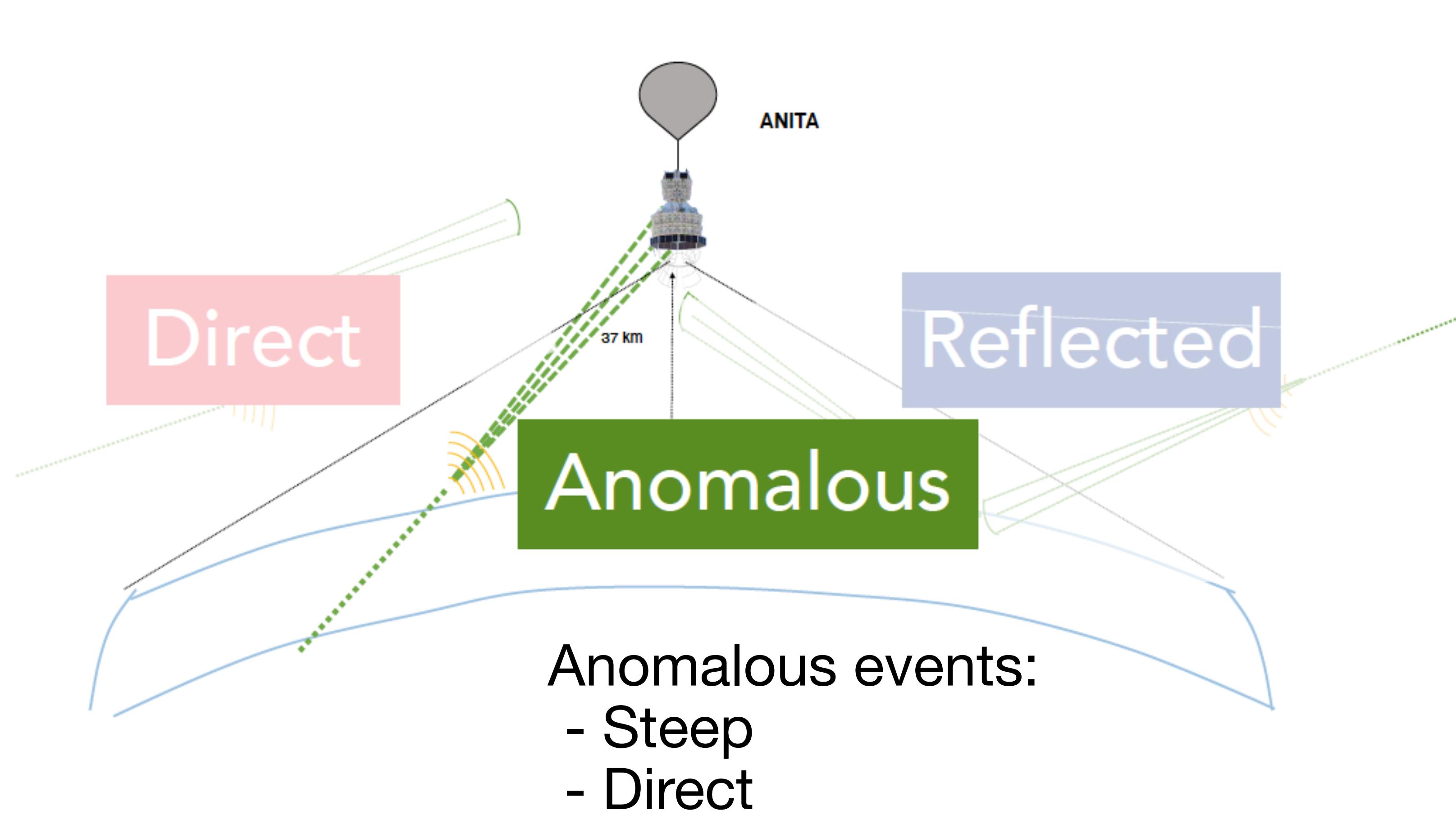
ANITA Cosmic Ray Search



	CR
ANITA-1	16
ANITA-2	2
ANITA-3	28
ANITA-4	29

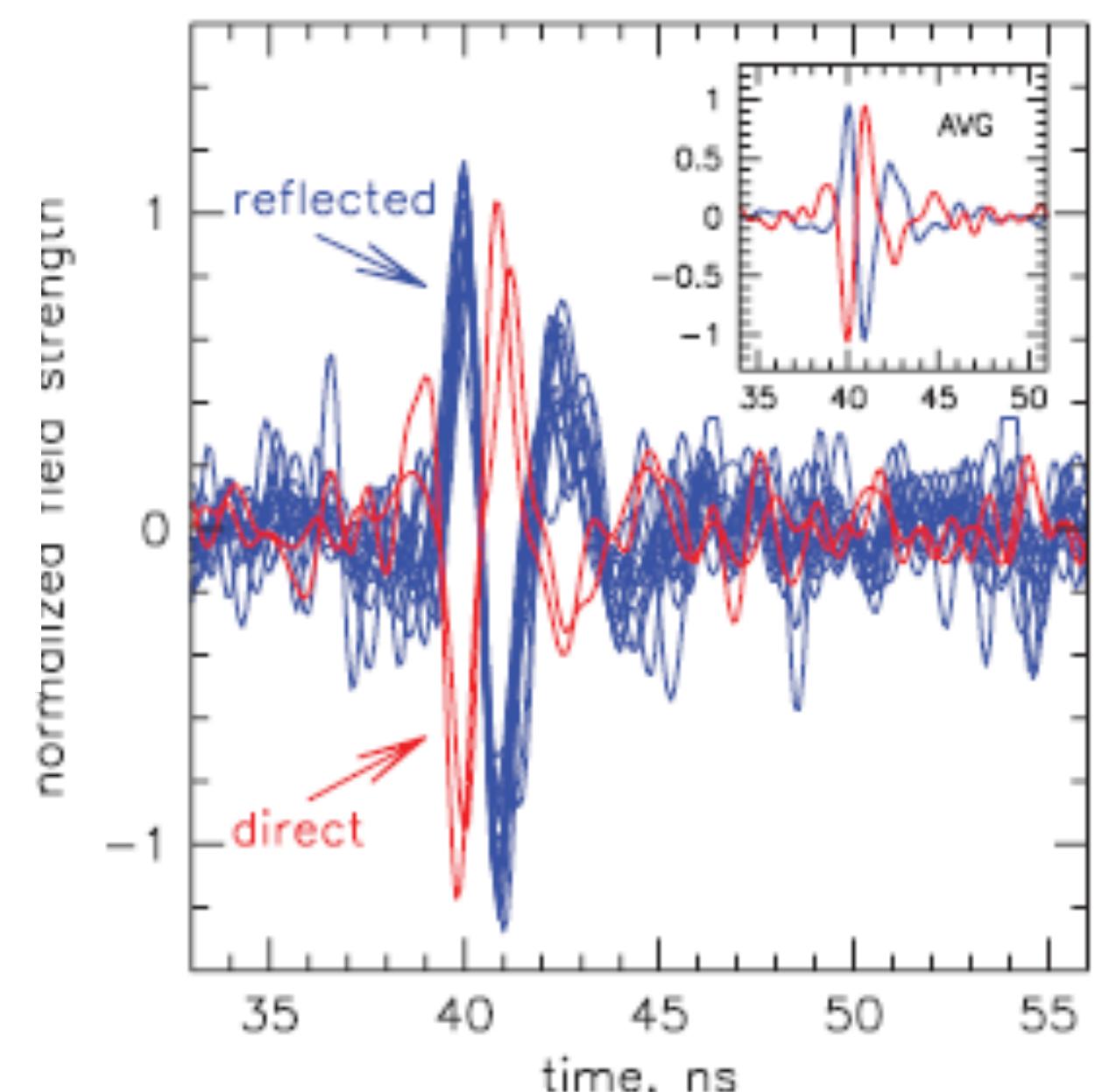


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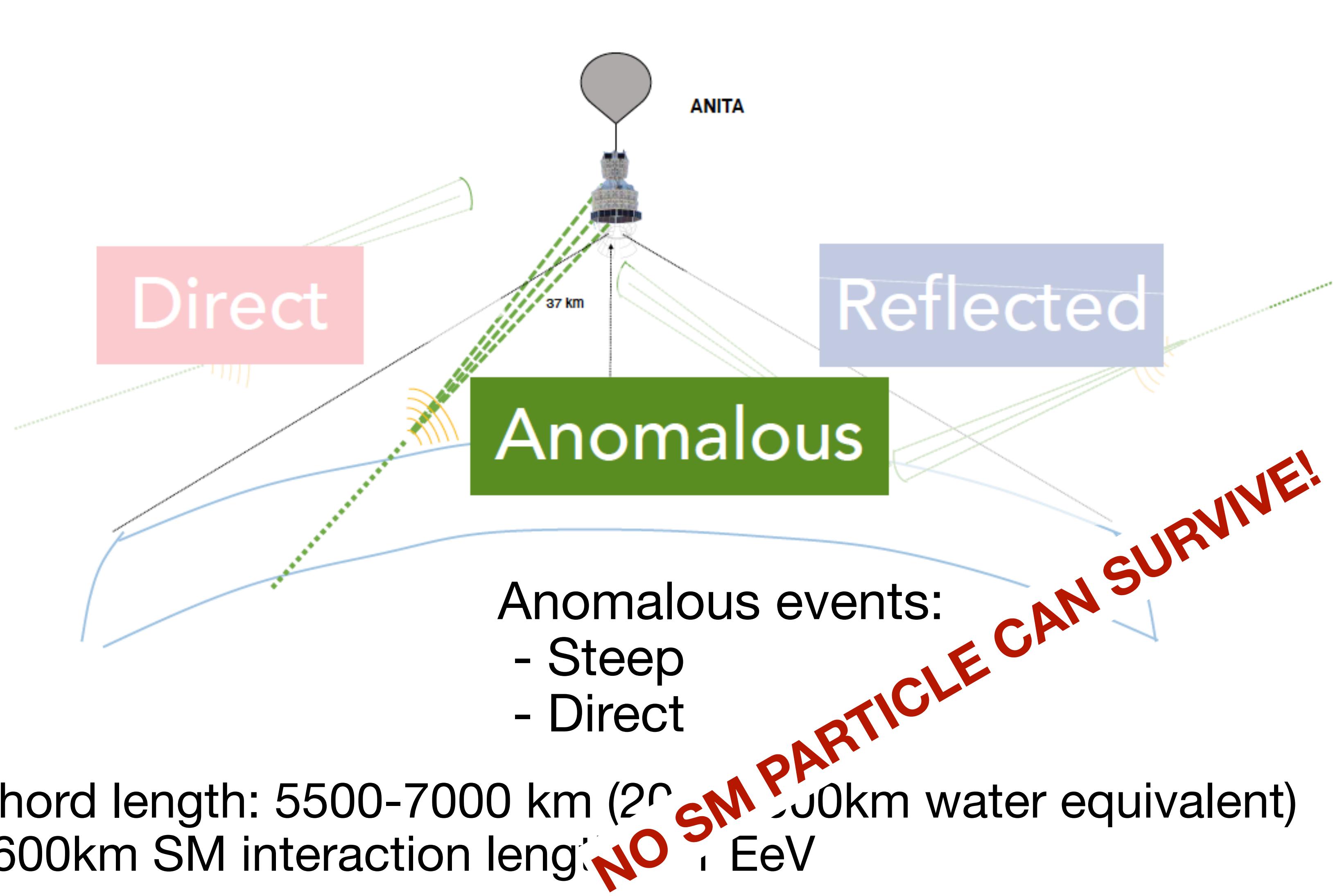


Chord length: 5500-7000 km (20-30,000km water equivalent)
1600km SM interaction length @ 1 EeV

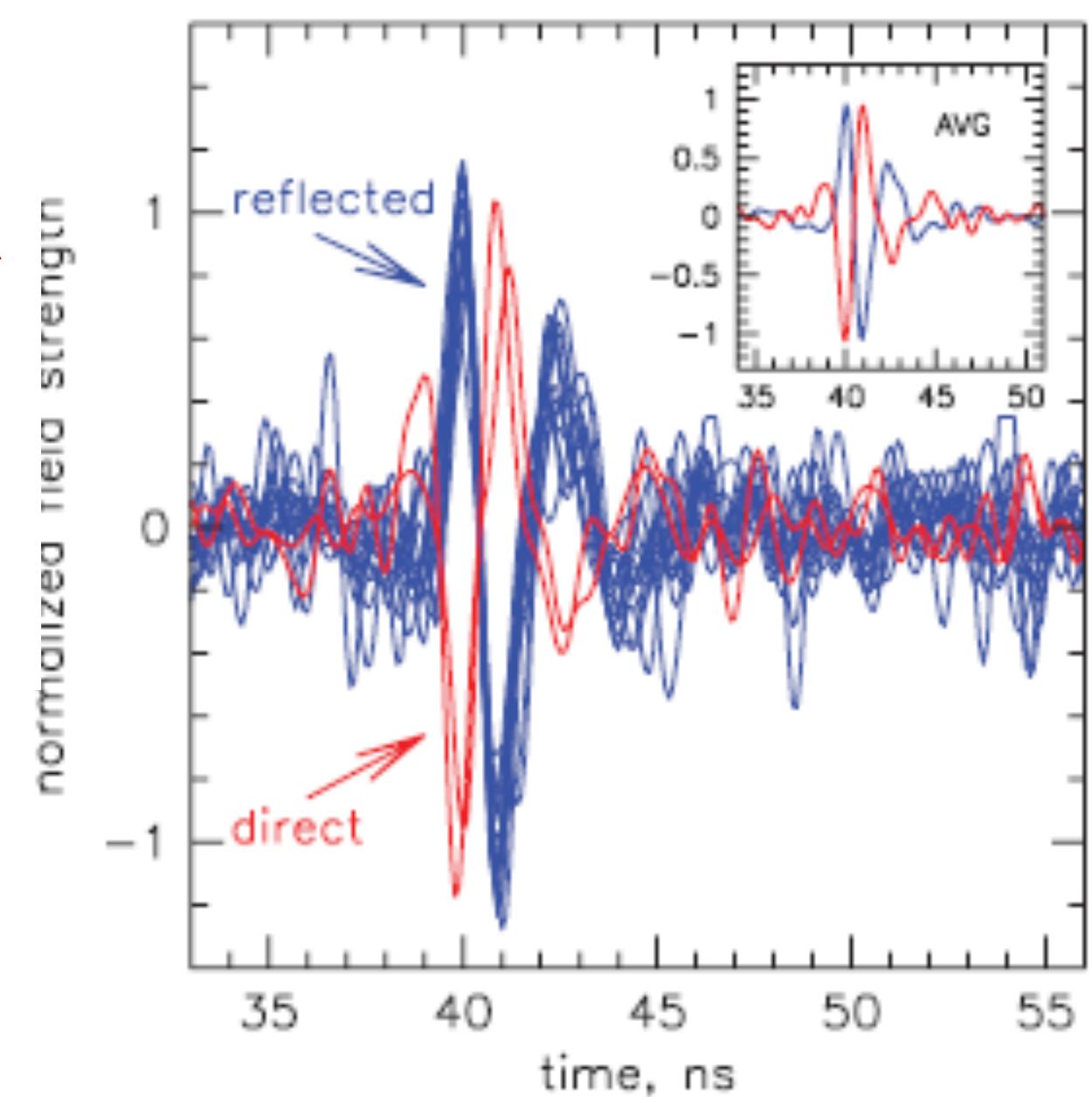
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ANITA-1	1
ANITA-2	0
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ANITA-4	*answer in 2 slides



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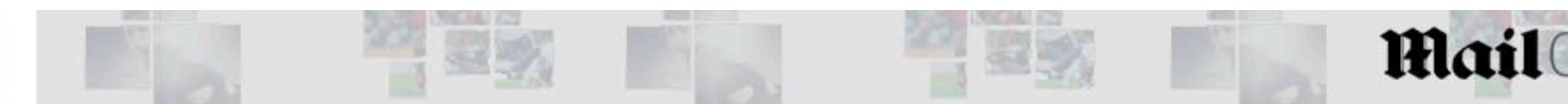
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NASA scientists detect parallel universe 'next to ours' where time runs backwards

An experiment in the frozen wastes of Antarctica has revealed evidence of a universe born in the same Big Bang as ours – but with rules of physics that are completely the opposite



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Is there a mirror universe? Researchers in Antarctica observe mysterious particles that some argue is evidence of a parallel world formed at the Big Bang where time runs backward

- Scientists traveled to Antarctica looking for high energy particles from space
- Instead, they were surprised to find them coming from Earth
- The team believed the unexpected behavior suggested a new kind of particle
- Some explain the particle's strange behavior by suggesting it came from a mirror universe created at the same time as the Big Bang, where time flows backward

Today's headlines

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ANITA-4 CR WAVEFORMS

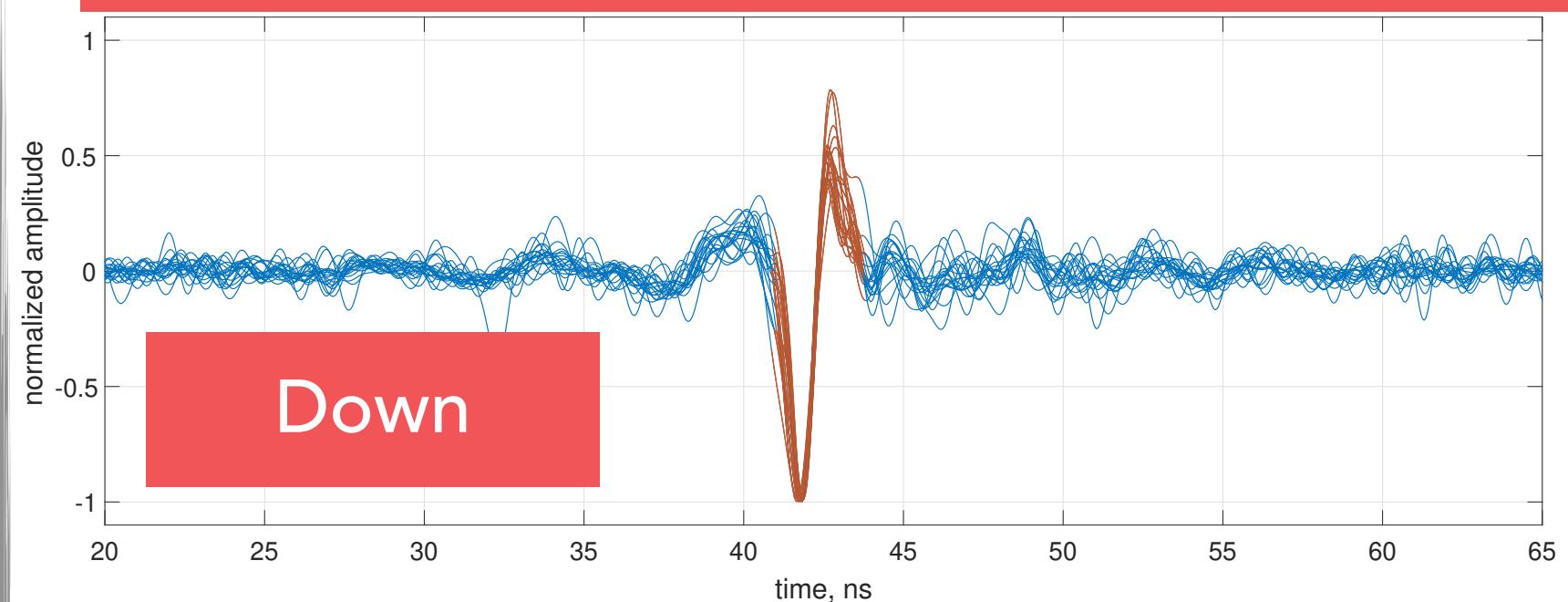
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➤ **Reflected:** Down or Down first

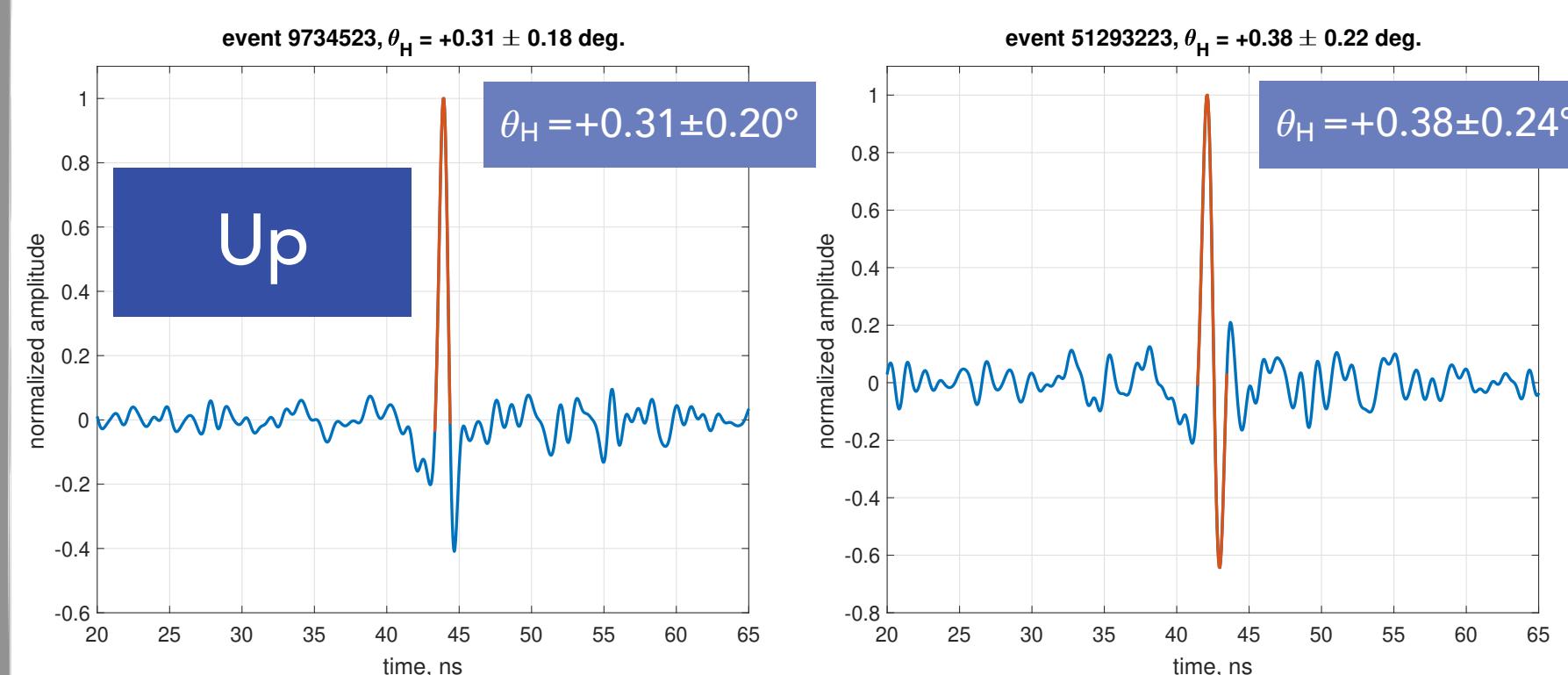
➤ **Direct:** Up or Up first

*Polarity reconstruction via 4 deconvolution methods
using Stokes amplitude to find the peak lobe(s)

21 Reflected Events, Below Horizon



2 Direct Events, Near & Above Horizon

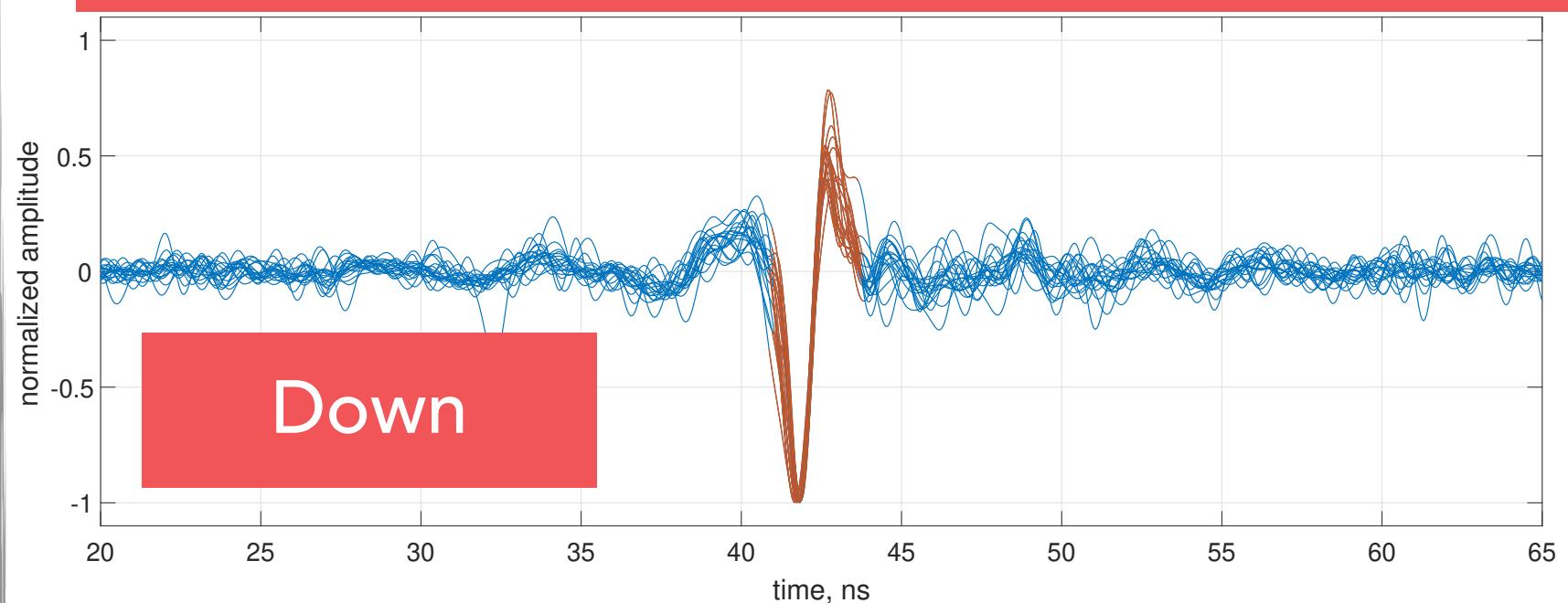


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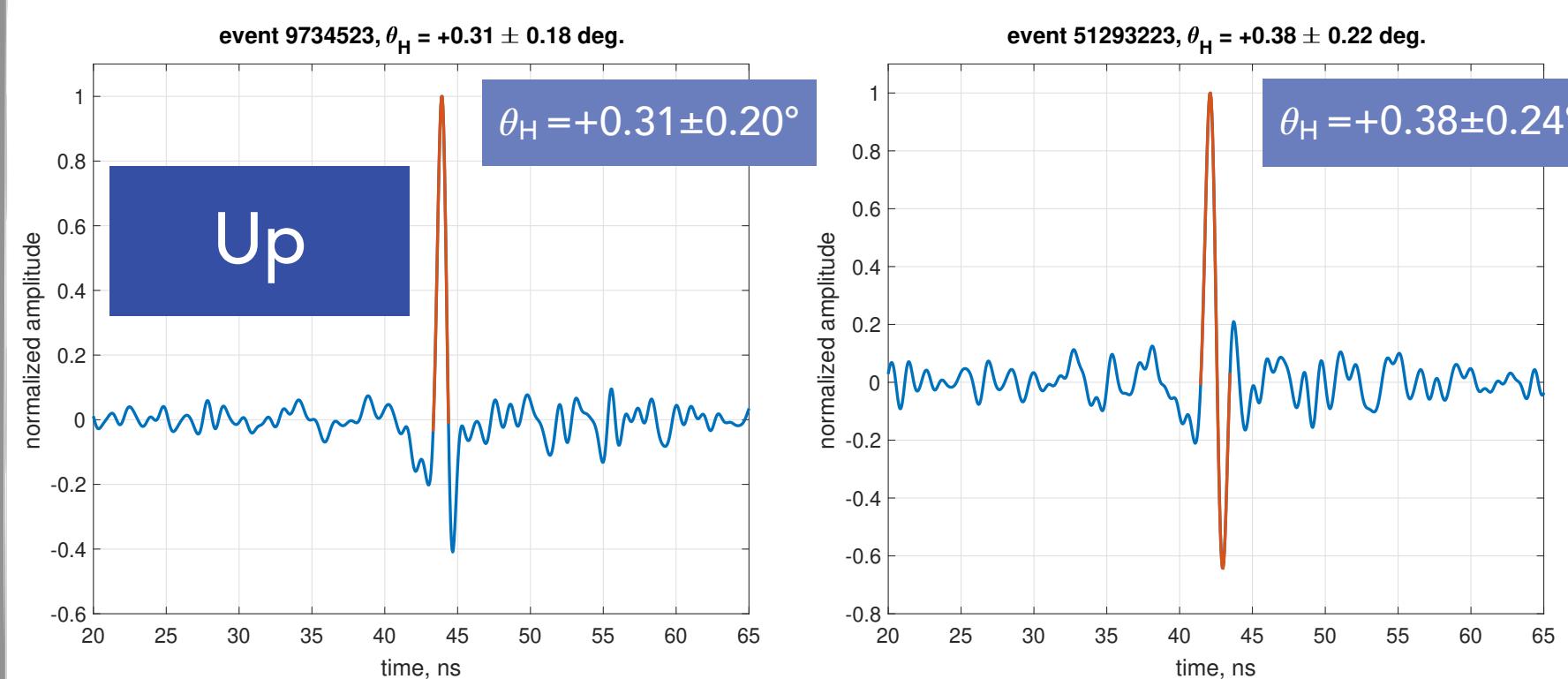
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4 additional events
near the horizon, but below it

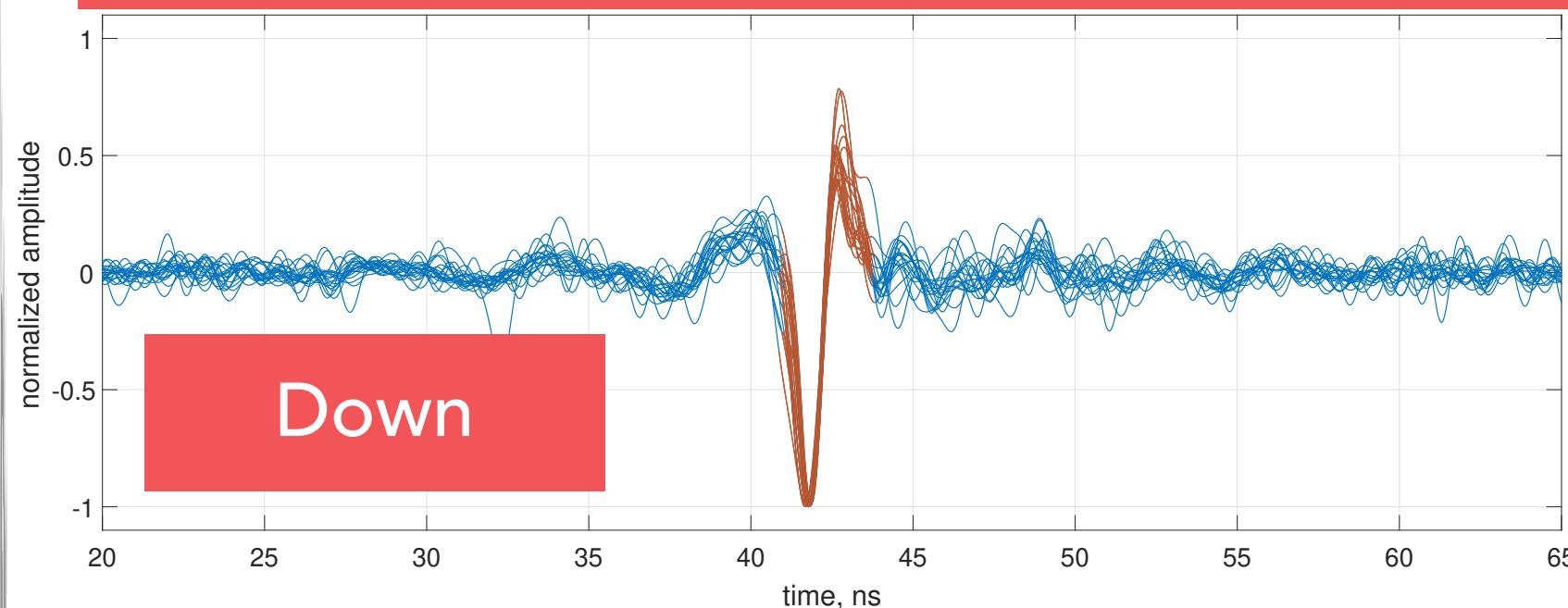
Expect the same polarity as the
reflected events: **Down**

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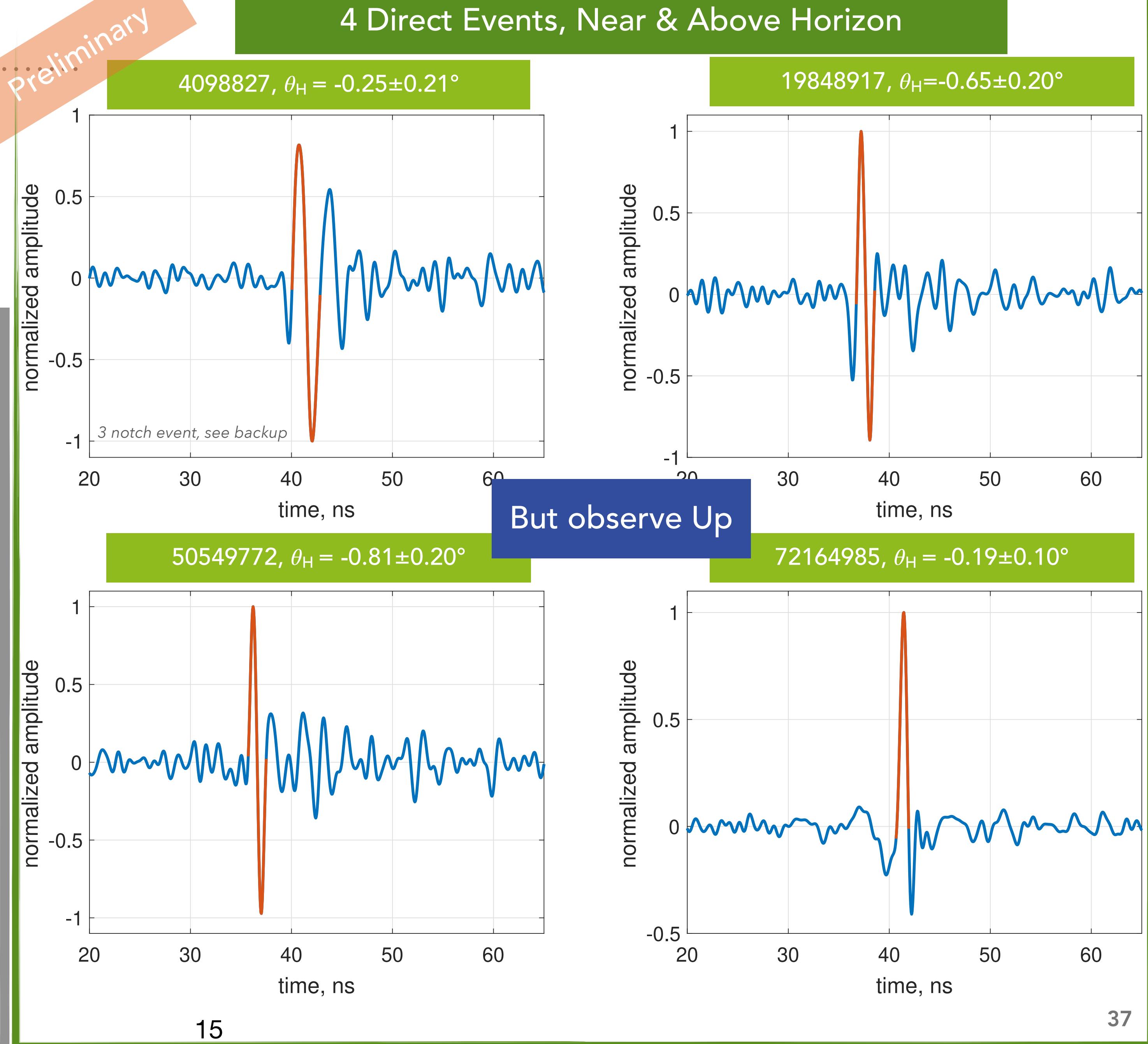
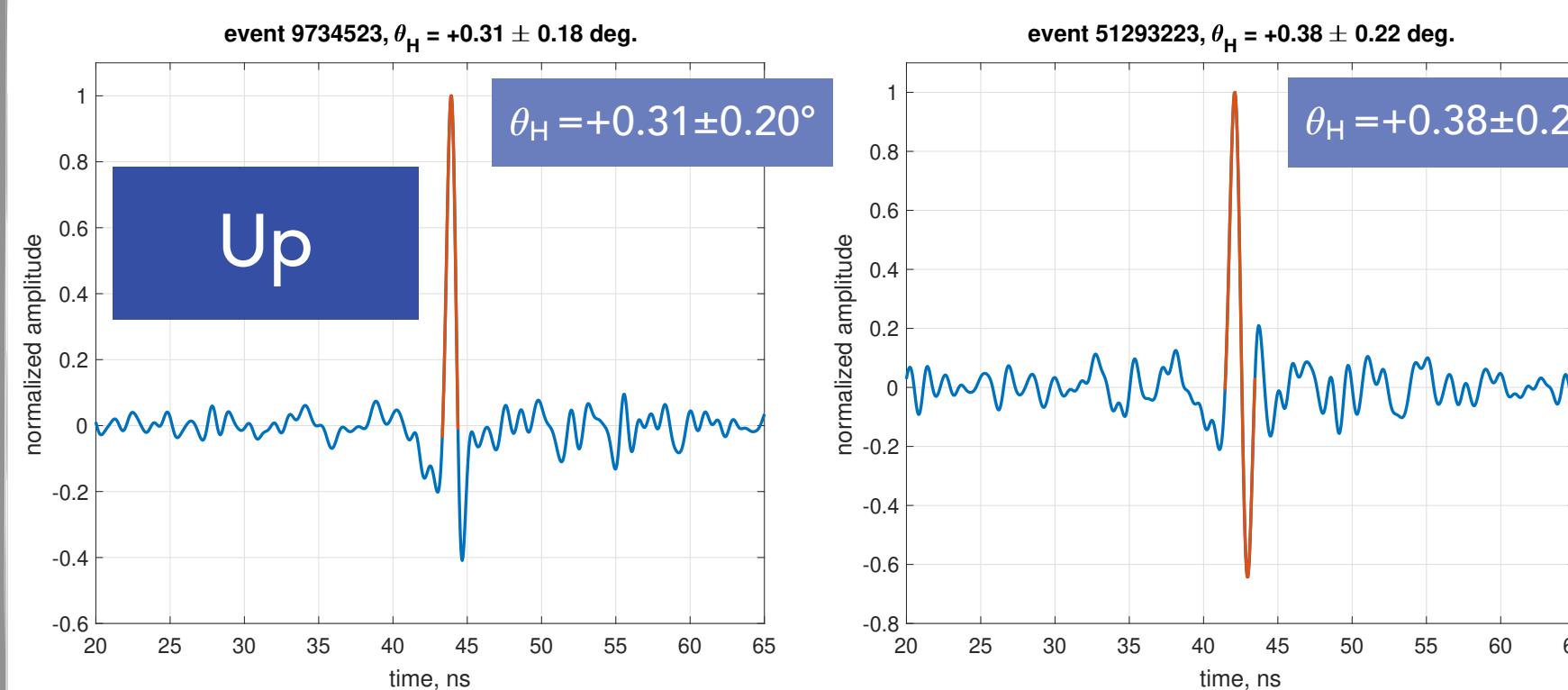
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- **29 on background of $0.37^{+0.27}_{-0.17}$** events result from blinded search for Hpol, impulsive, isolated events. Remained blind to polarity*
- **4 / 27 near horizon events** with inconsistent polarity with significance $\sim 3\sigma$
- Systematics in significance estimate include :
 - anthropogenic background per polarity ($0.19^{+0.14}_{-0.09}$ events)
 - polarity mis-reconstruction (10^{-2} for 1 event; 10^{-4} others)
 - pointing error ($\delta\theta = 0.1^\circ$, bias $\pm 0.1^\circ$)
 - radio propagation effects (refraction, ice surface, ray defocusing)
- **No new steep events** with inconsistent polarity like in ANITA-1 & ANITA-3

Preliminary

Results from targeted CR search		
Angle wrt horizon	Steep $> 1^\circ$	Near Horizon $< 1^\circ$
Total Events	23	6
Consistent with Geometry		
Reflected (Down)	21	0
Direct (Up)	0	2
Inconsistent with Geometry		
Direct (Up)	0	4
Indeterminate Polarity		
	2	0
Total		
		29

What's next?

- ANITA-4 Cosmic ray and tau papers will come out soon
- Dedicated source searches is underway
- PUEO (Payload for Ultra-high Energy Observations) planning flight in 2023
- I will keep a small involvement in ANITA/PUEO

Constrain the end of the neutrino spectrum by 4-10x

High effective area for transients

Lower threshold by phasing 2x antennas at trigger level



“Guess who’s back?”

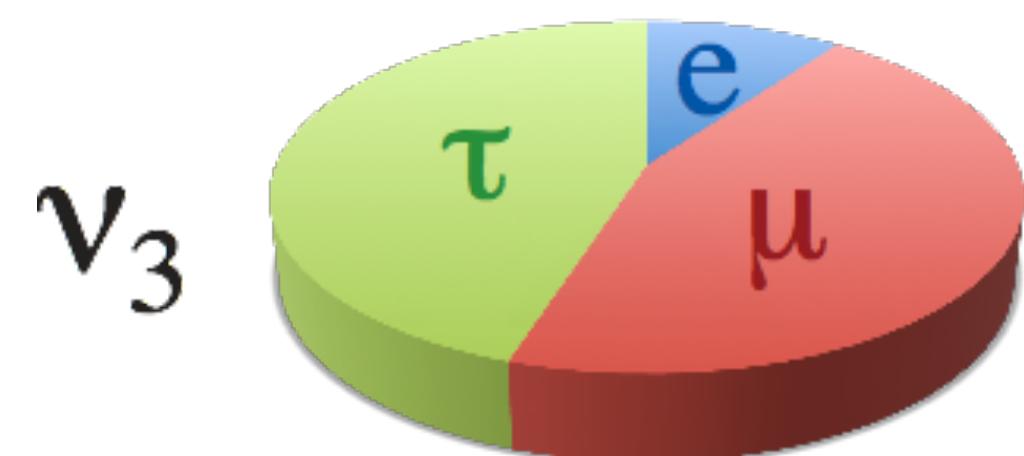
Interlude: Neutrino oscillations and neutrino interactions



Why neutrino oscillations?

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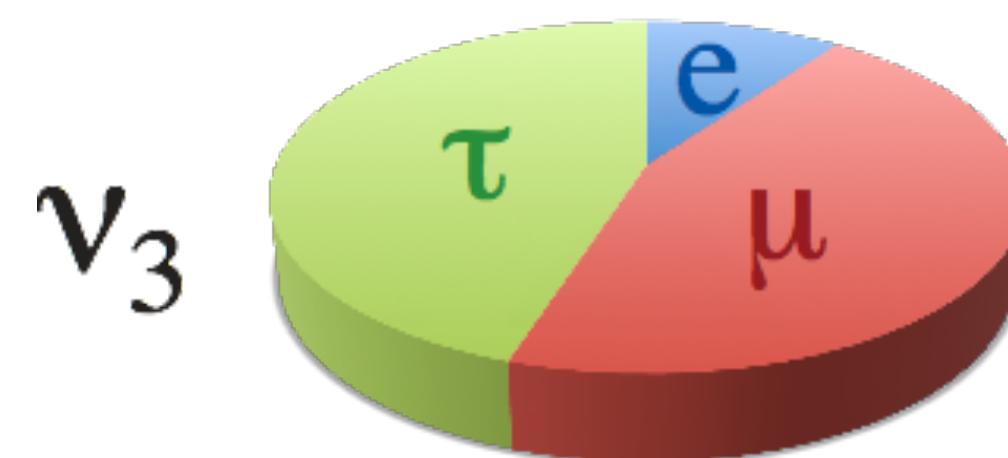
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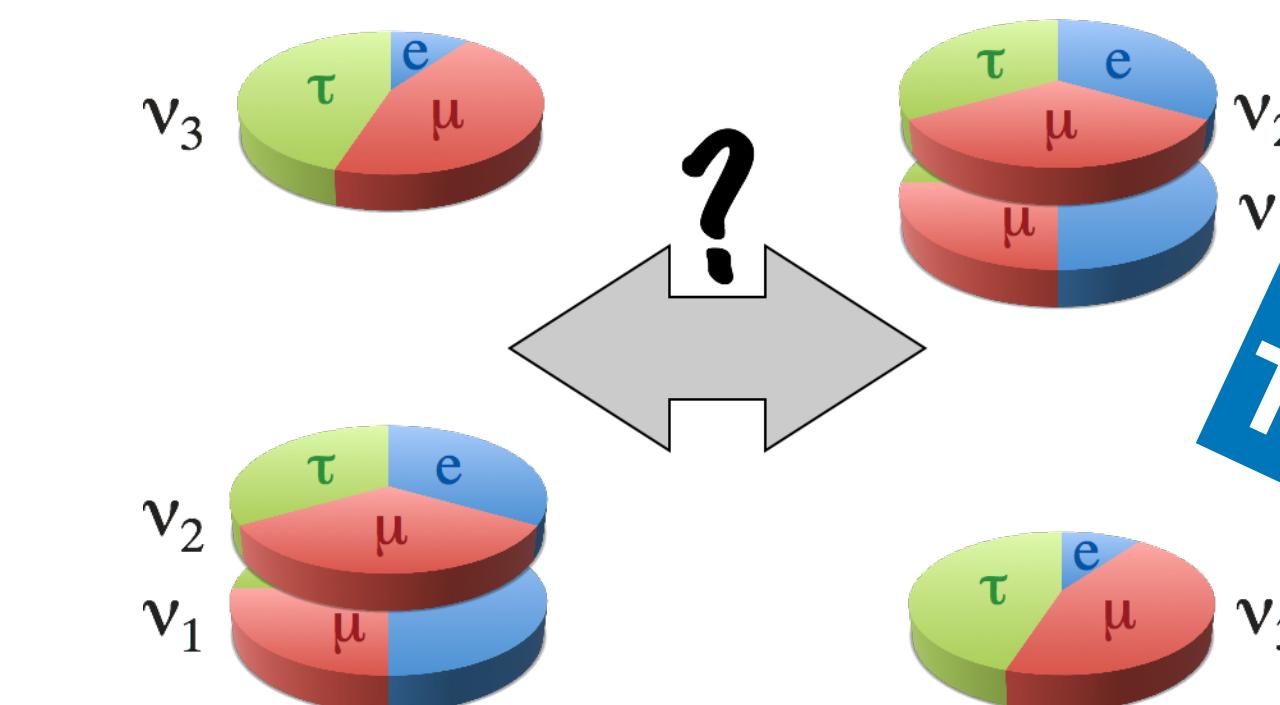
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Grand Unified Theories

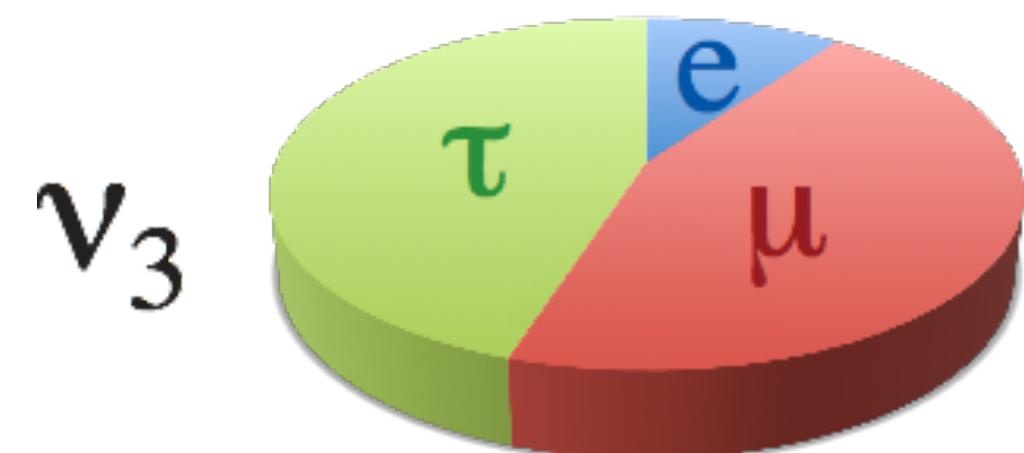
Normal Ordering

Inverted Ordering

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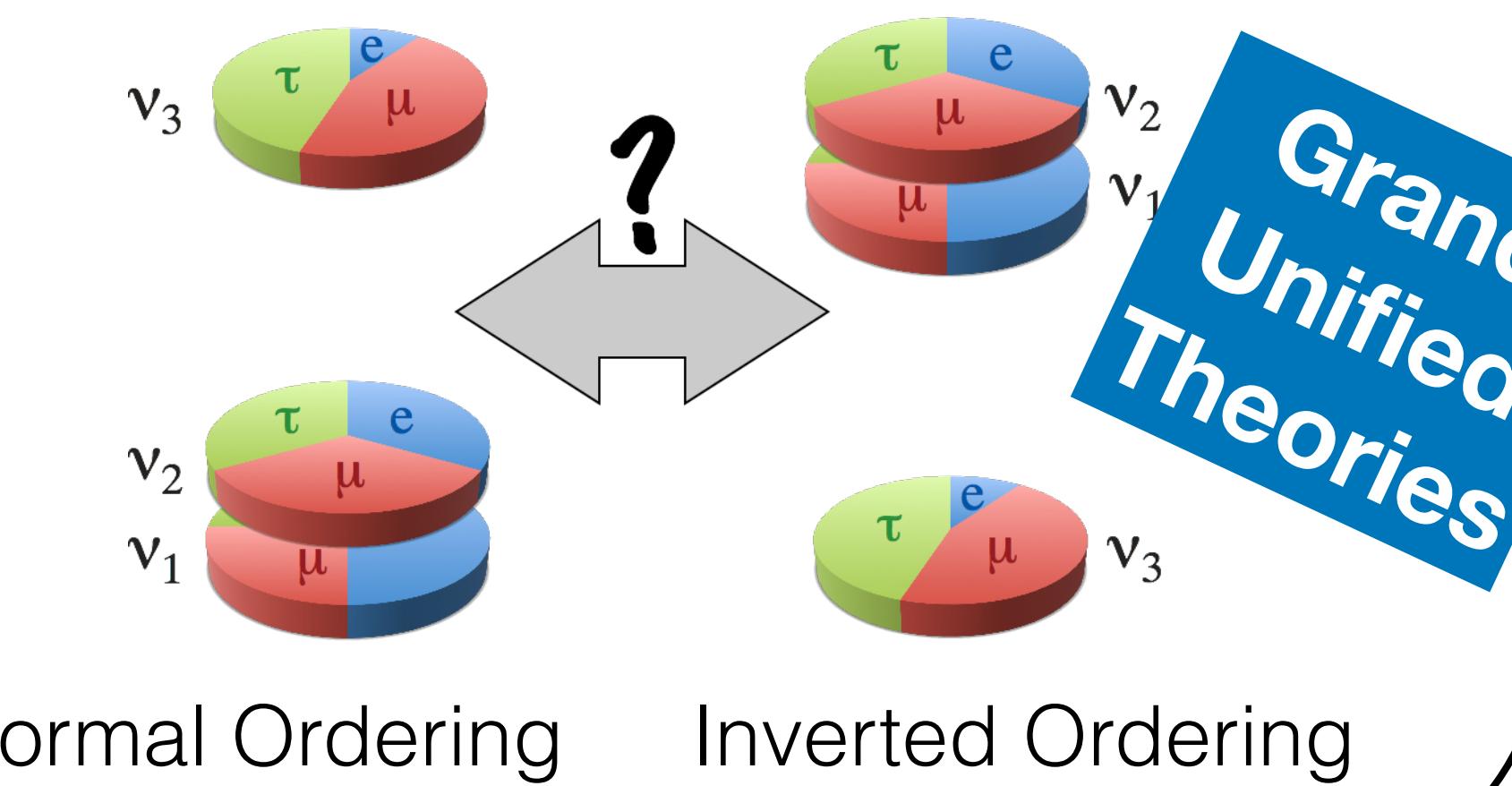
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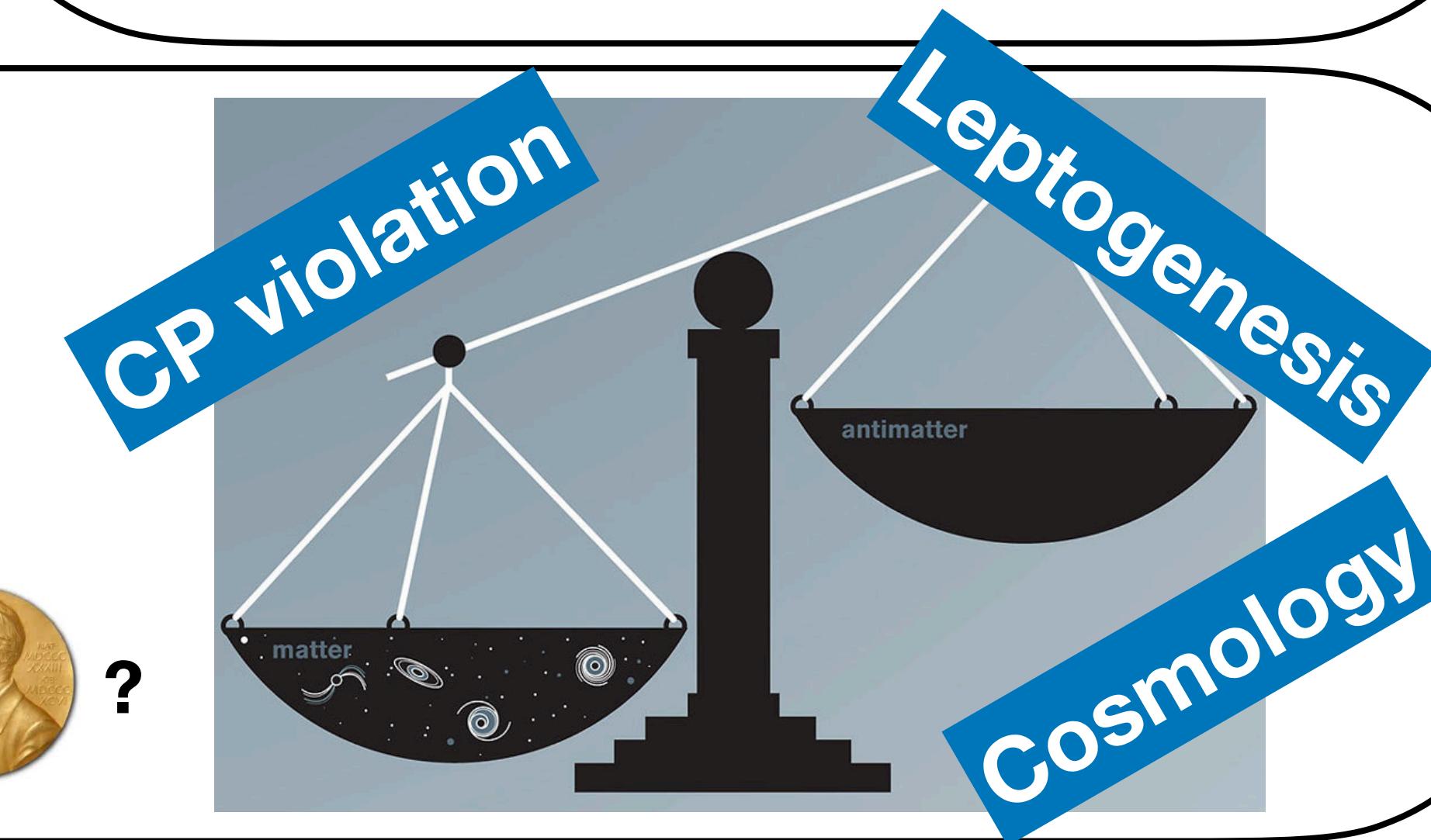


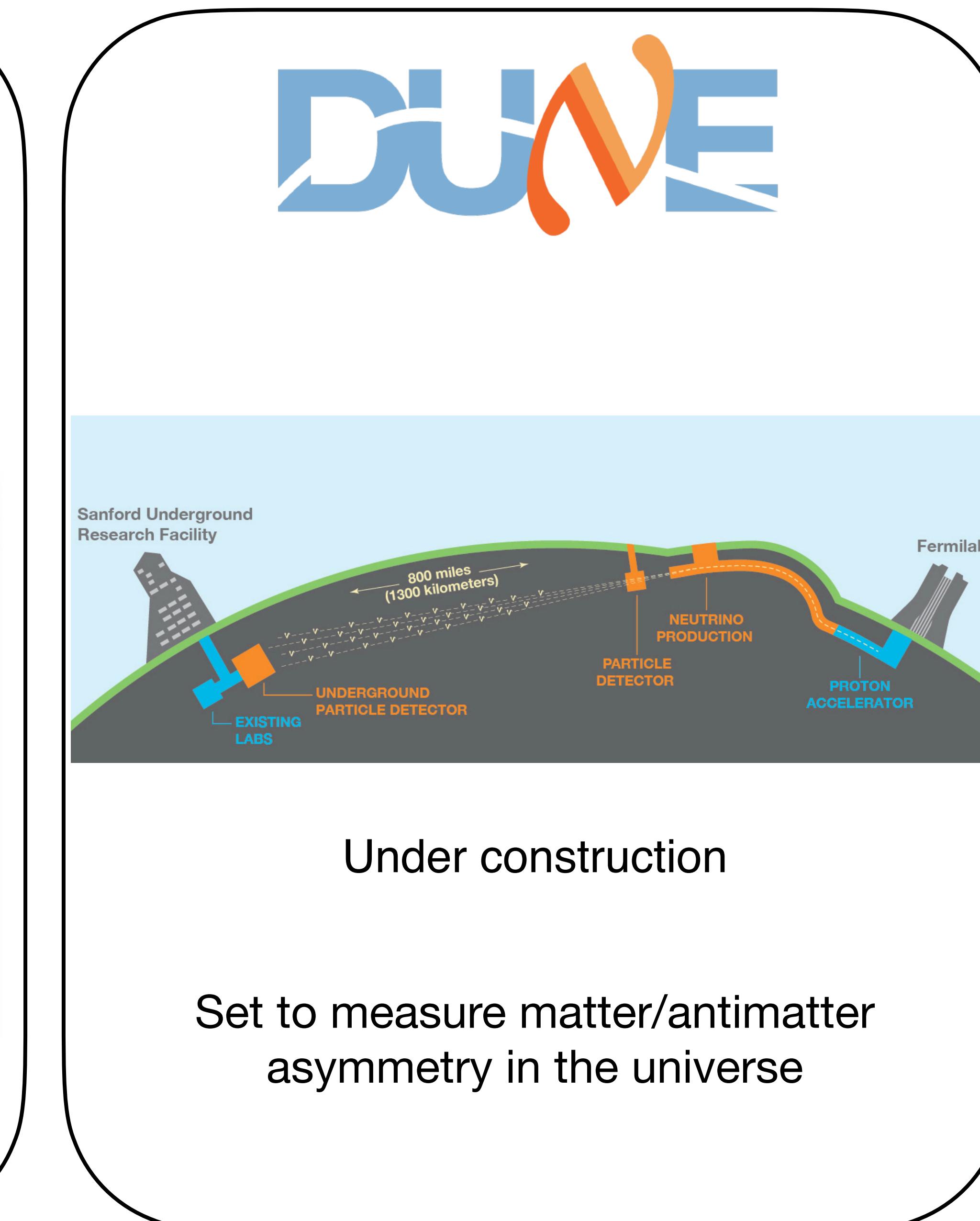
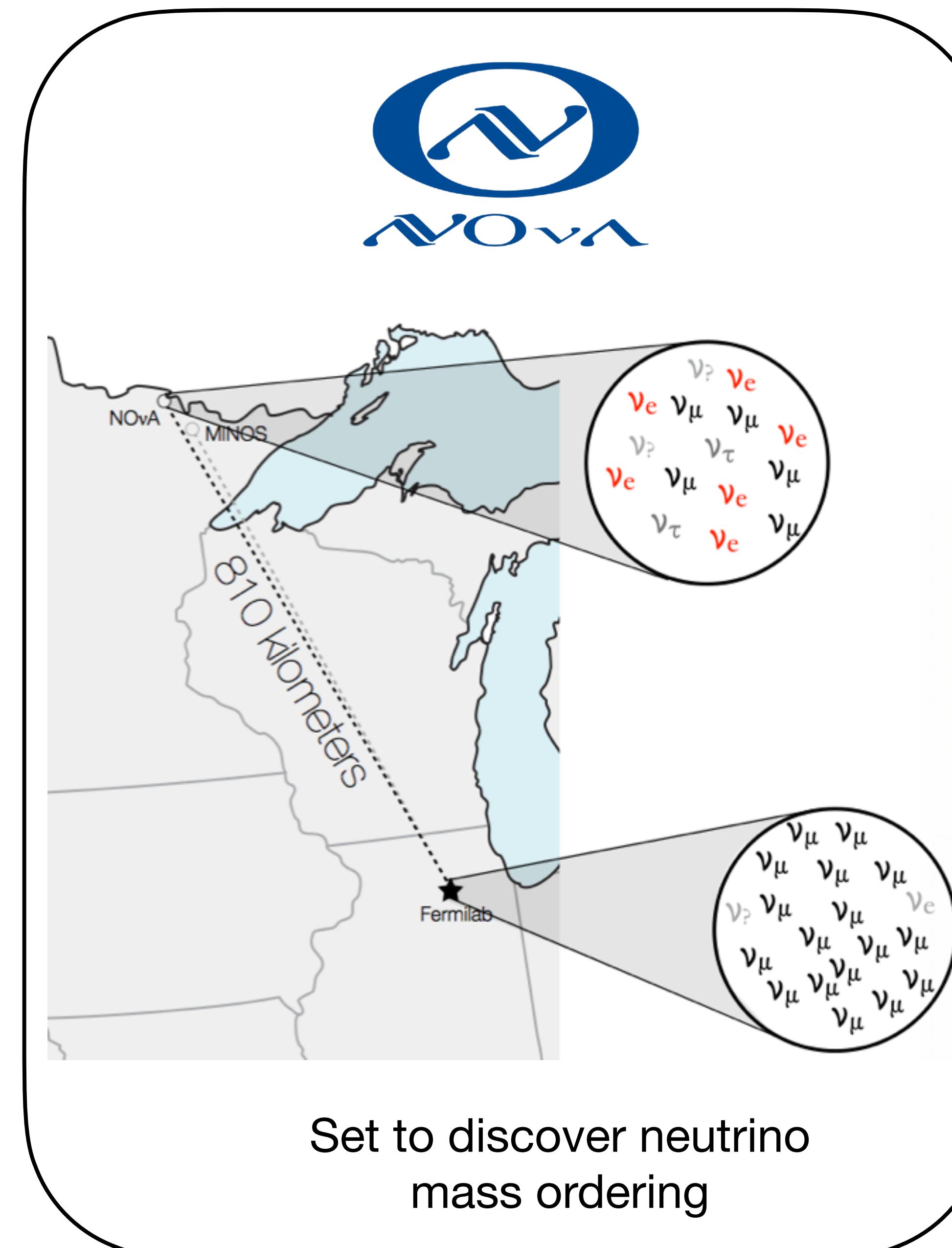
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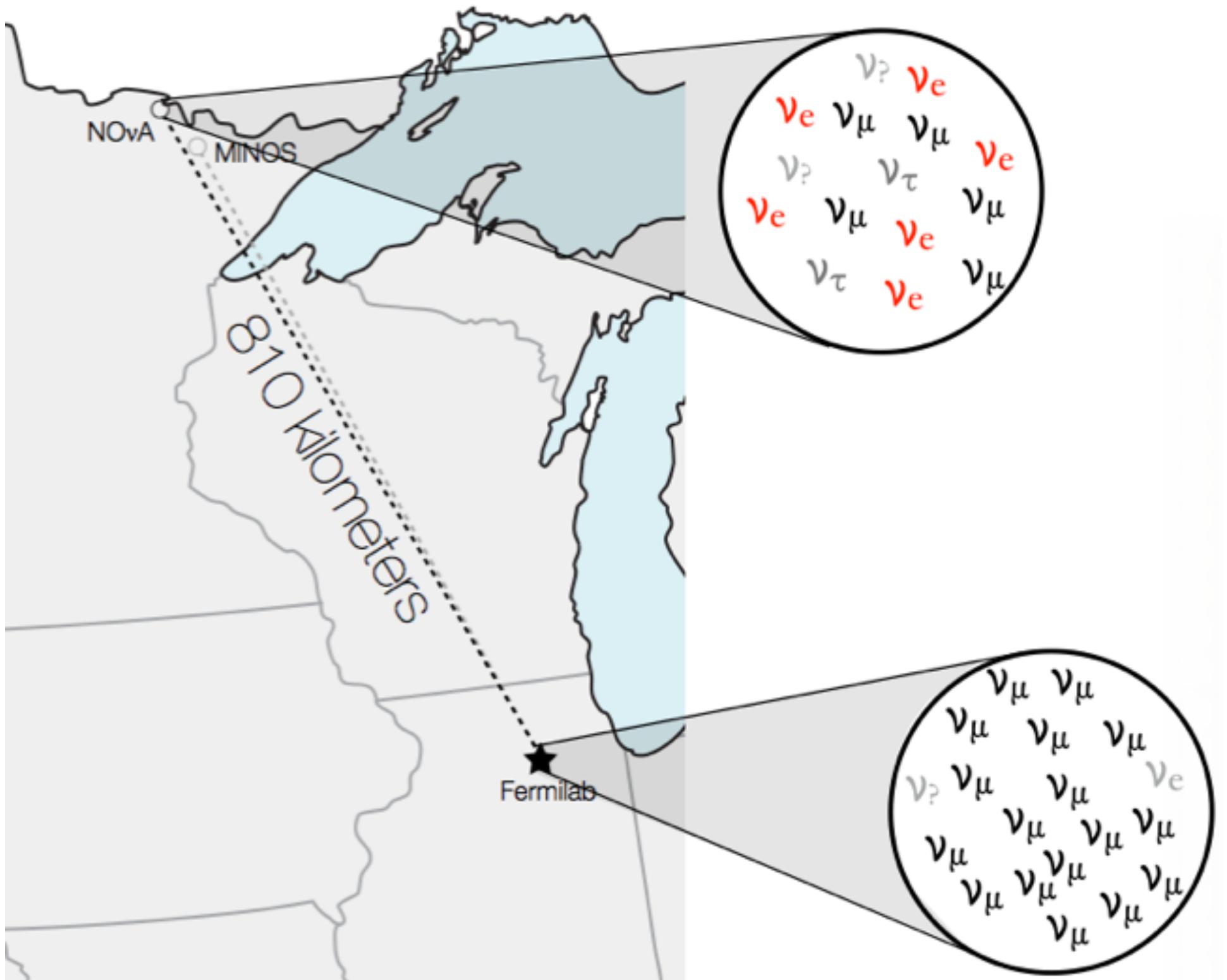
Do neutrinos and antineutrinos oscillate in the same way?





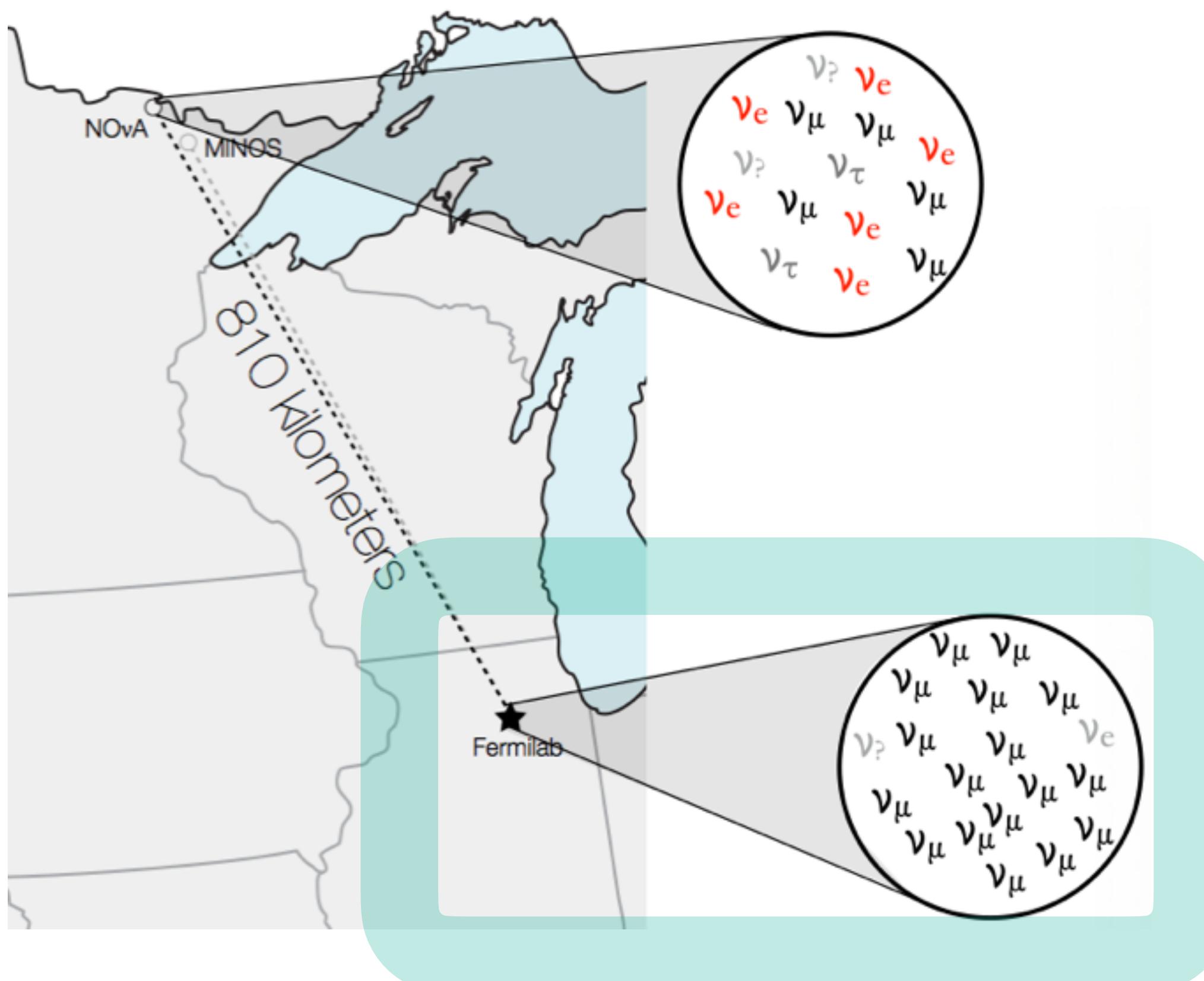
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 - 2 detectors, 14 mrad off-axis, 809 km apart.
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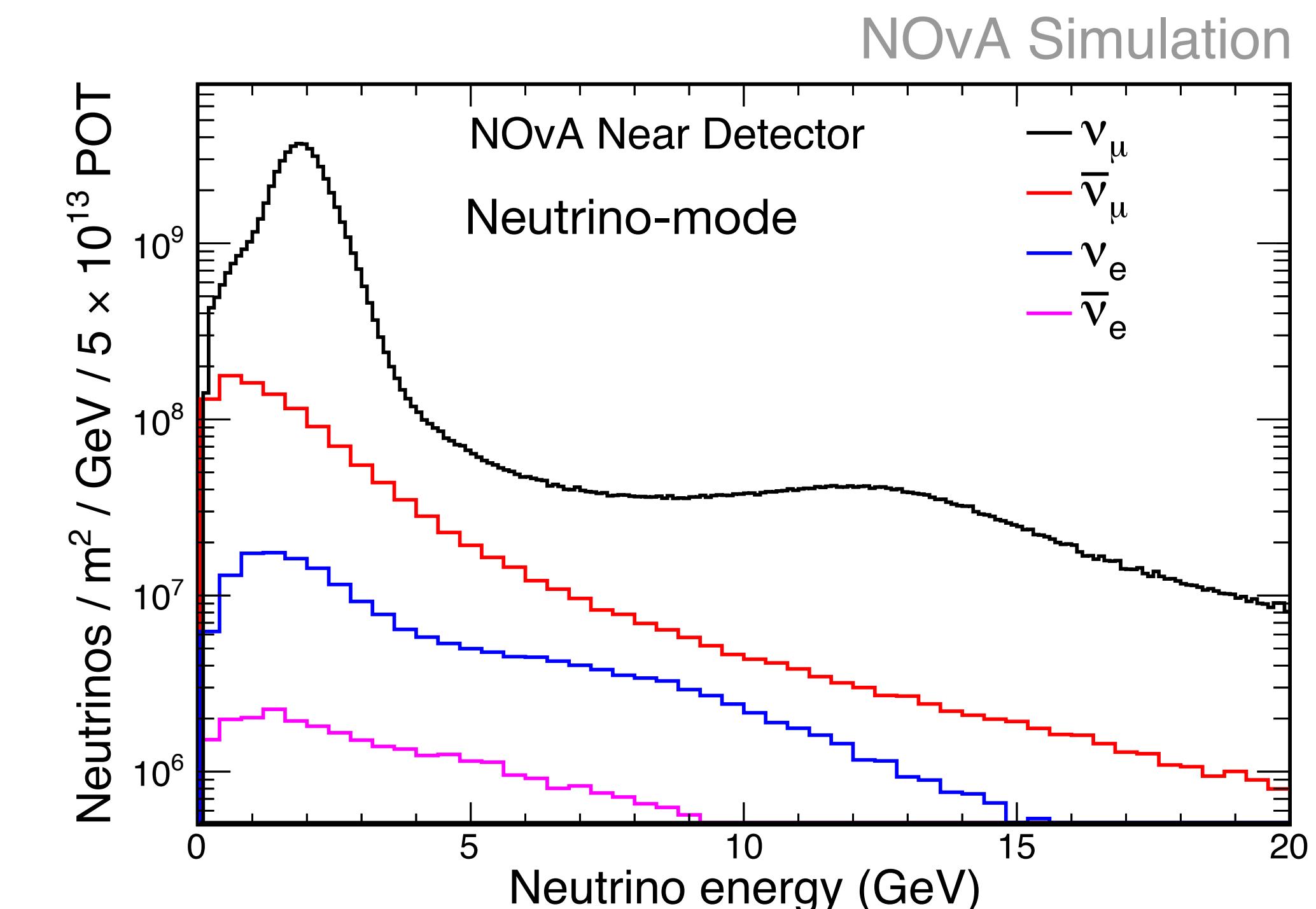


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- High neutrino flux at Near Detector:
 - used as control for the oscillation analyses,
 - provides a rich data set for measuring cross sections.
- ND located 1km from the NuMI beam target.
- 96% pure ν_μ beam, 1% ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$



Measuring neutrino oscillations

$$N \approx \Phi(E_\nu) \otimes \sigma(k, k') \otimes \epsilon \otimes P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta)$$

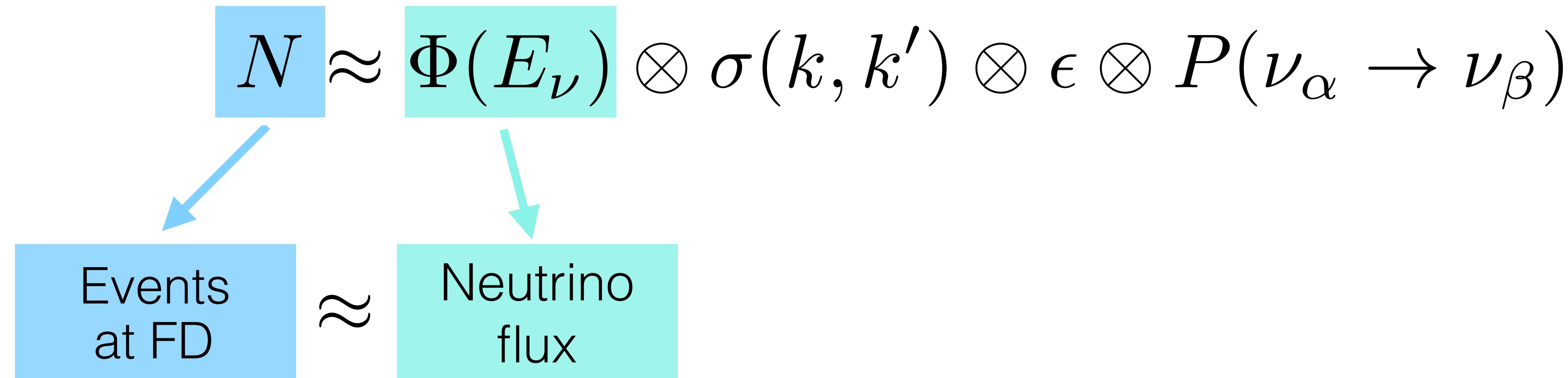
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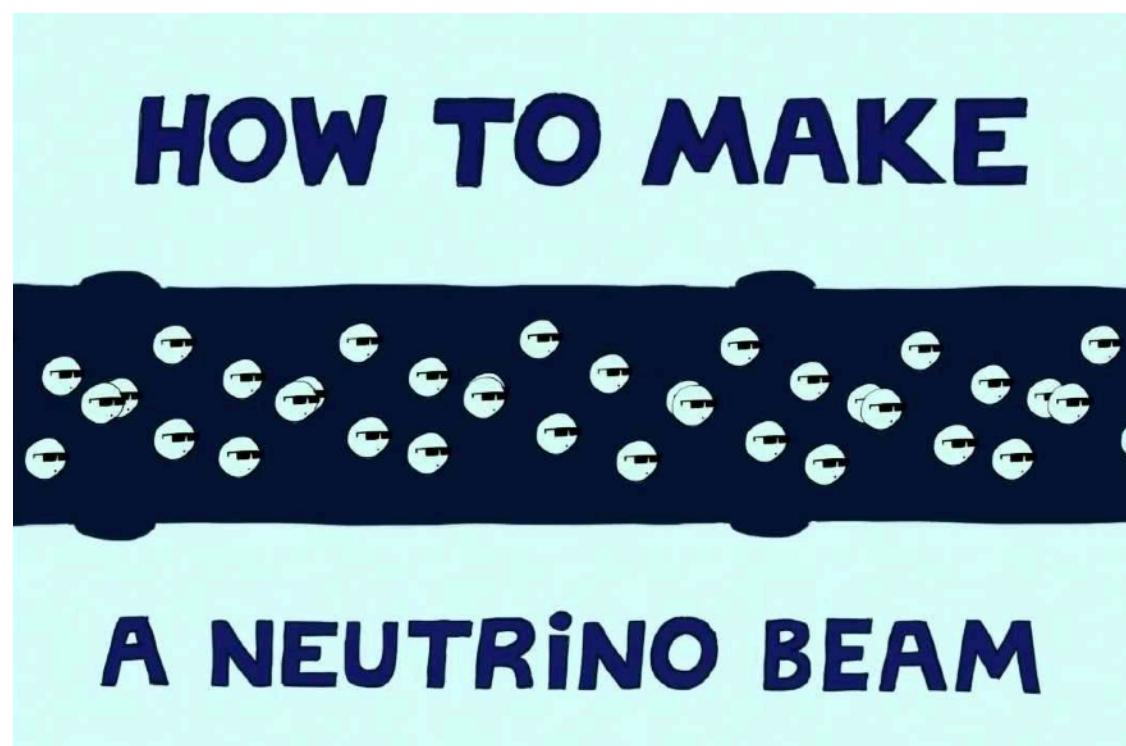


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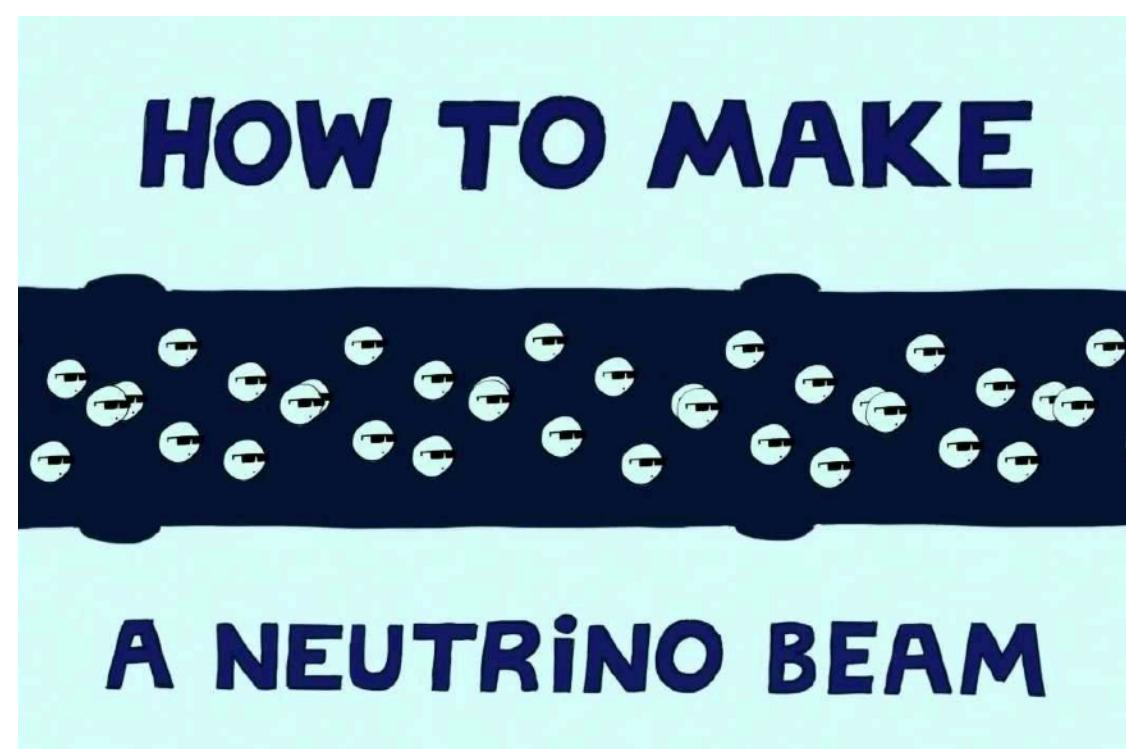


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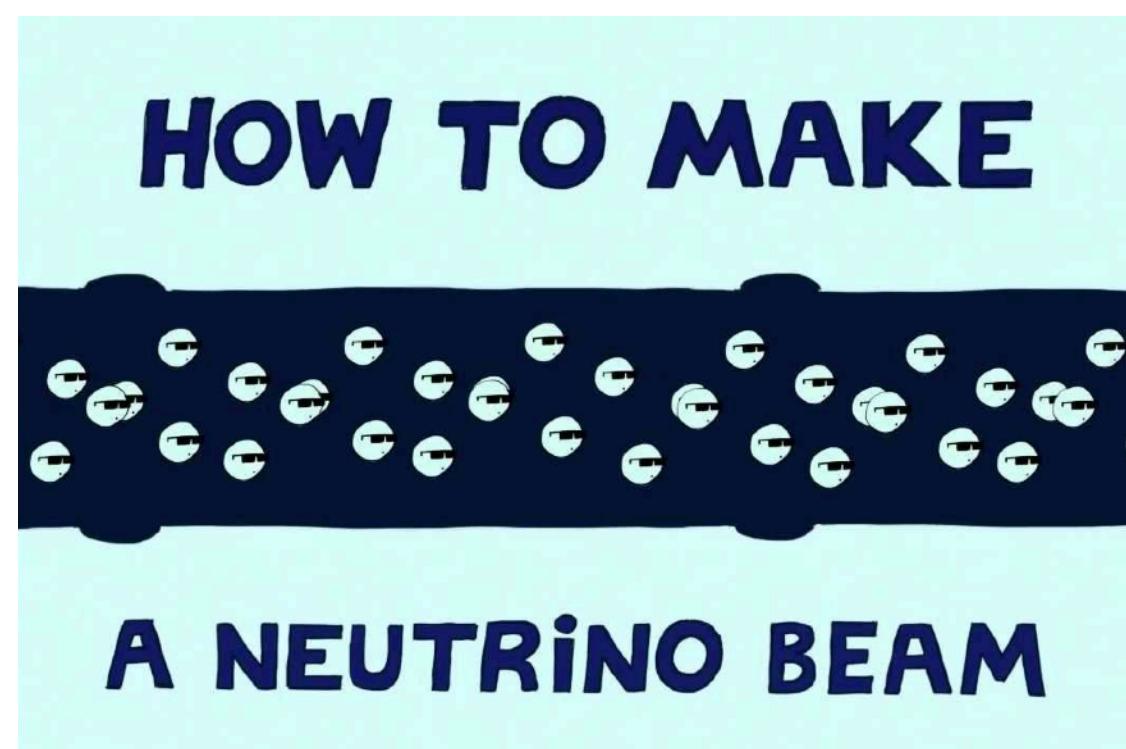
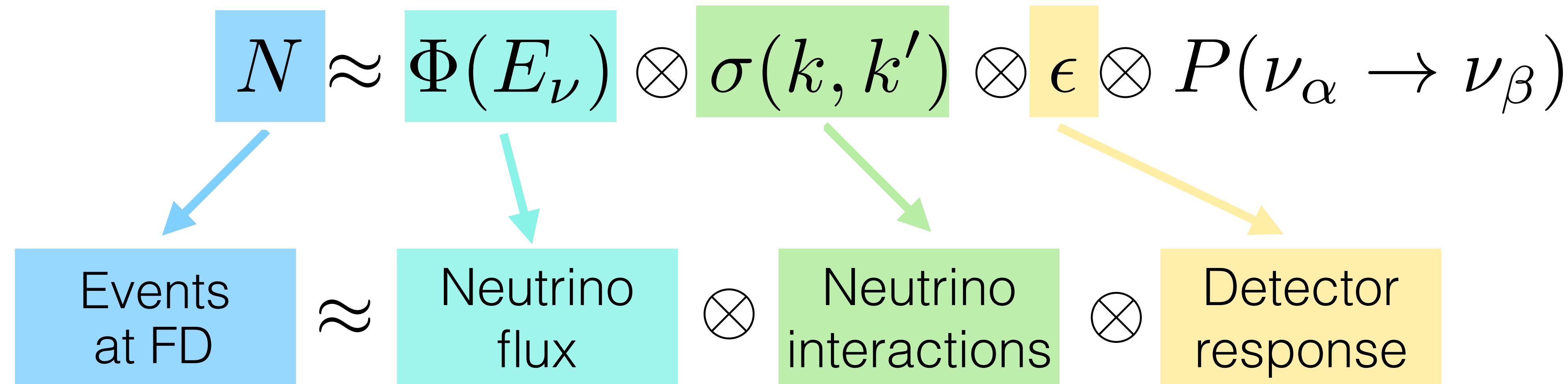
Events at FD \approx Neutrino flux \otimes Neutrino interactions



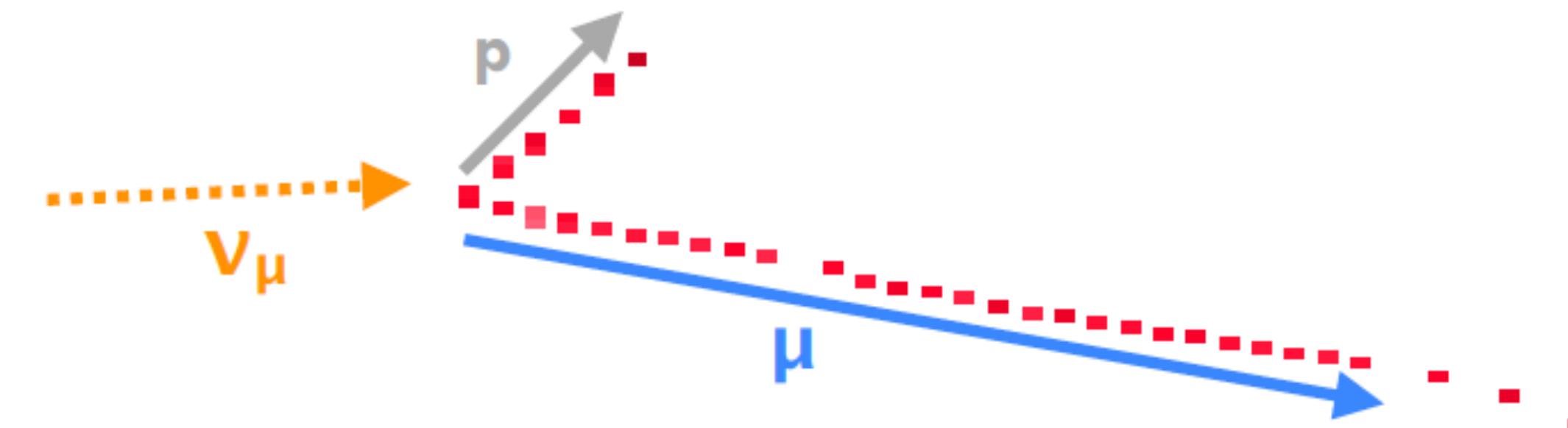
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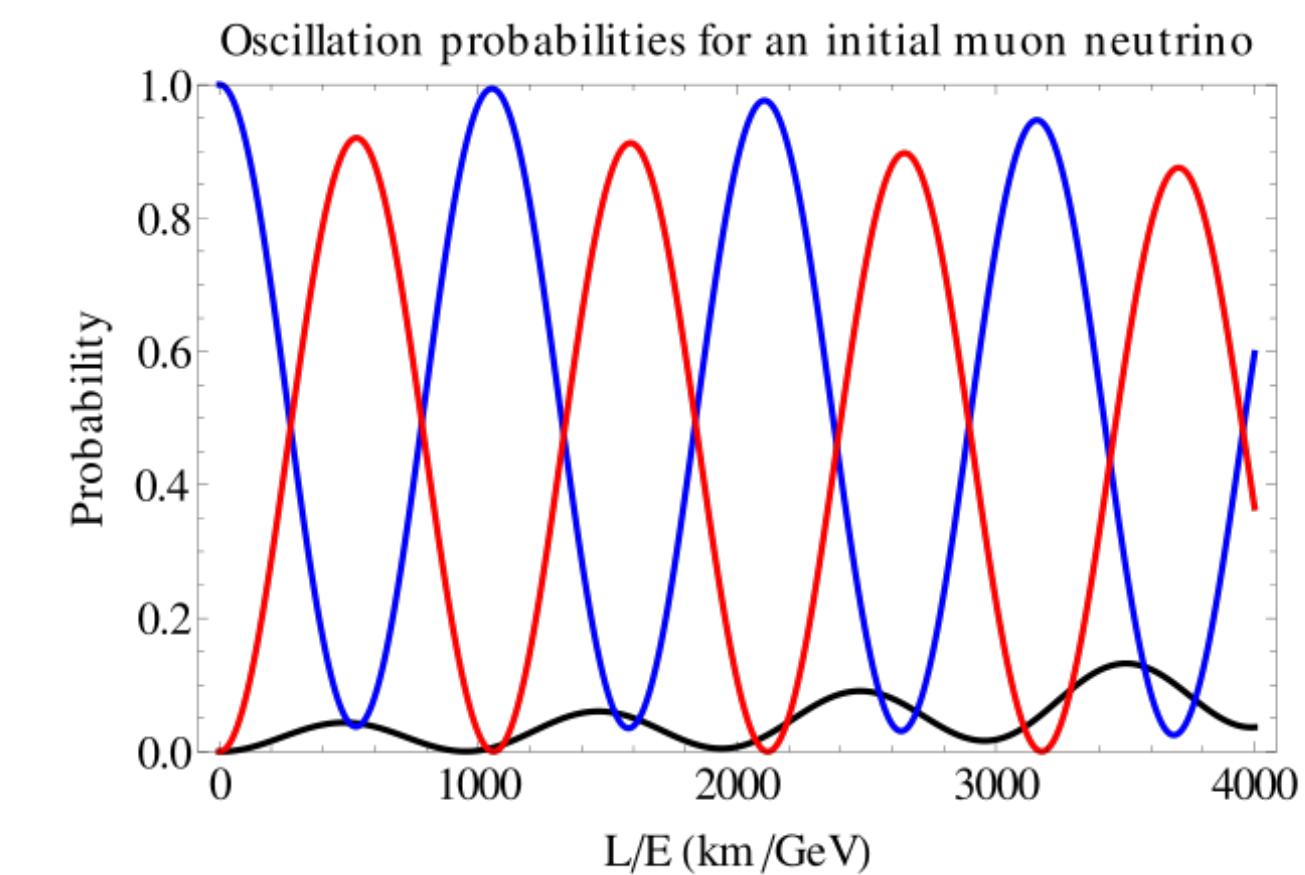
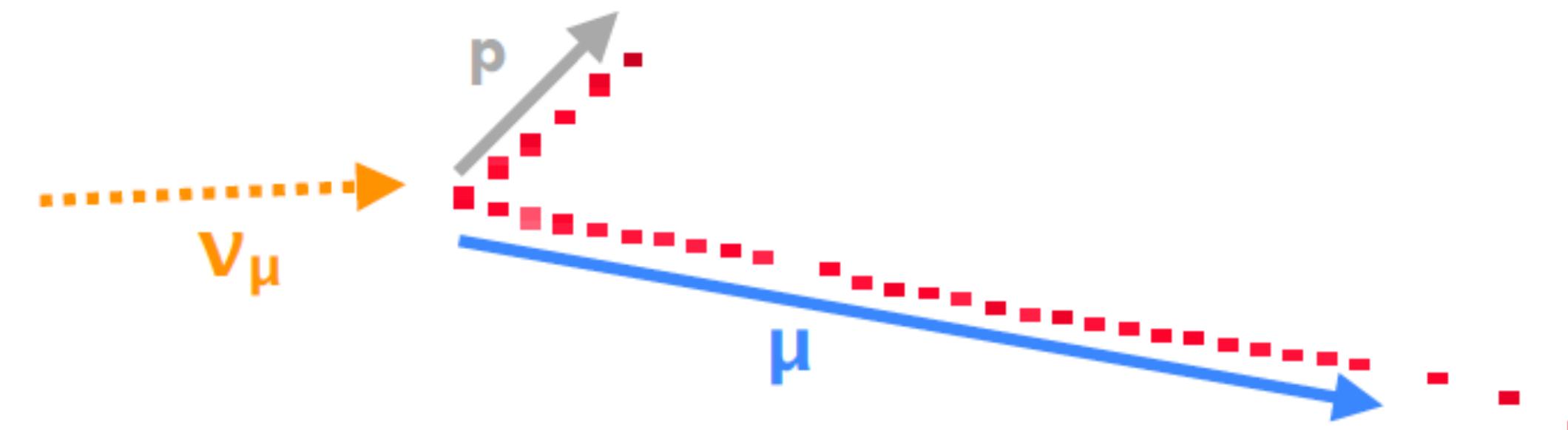
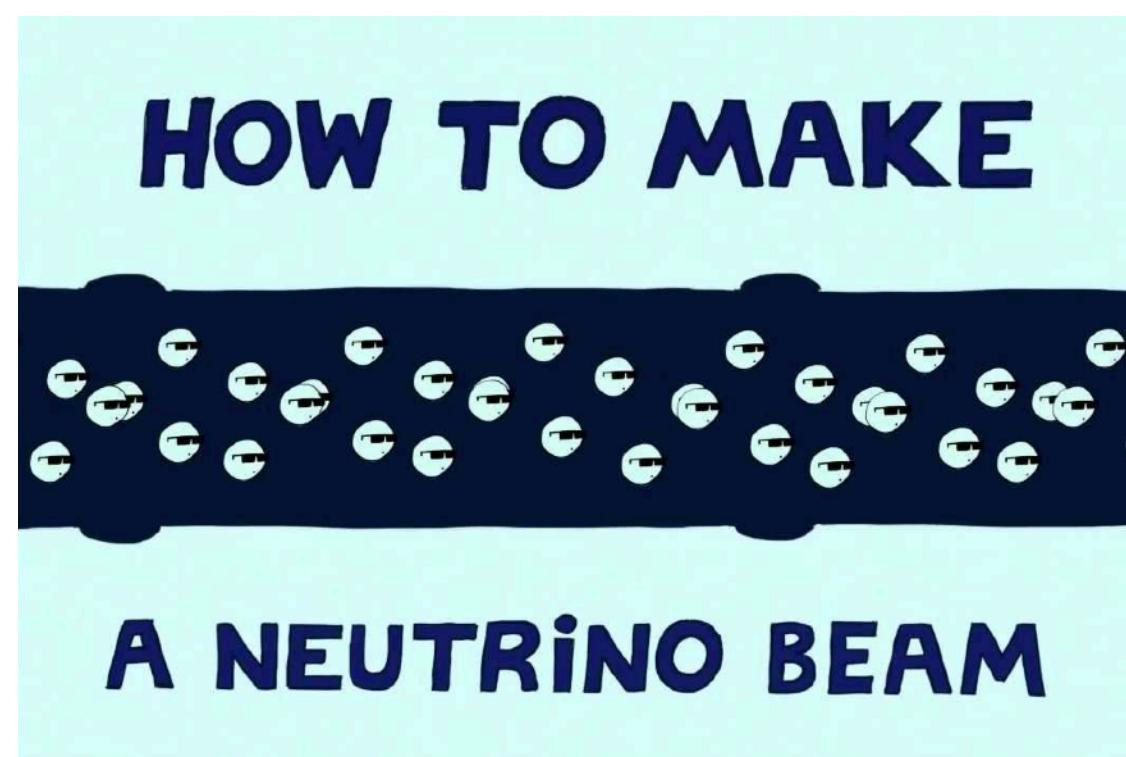
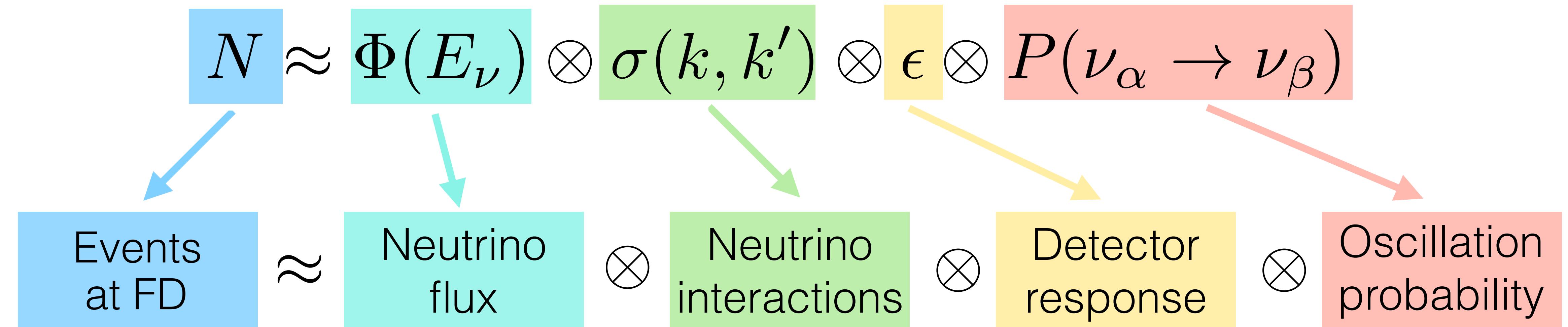
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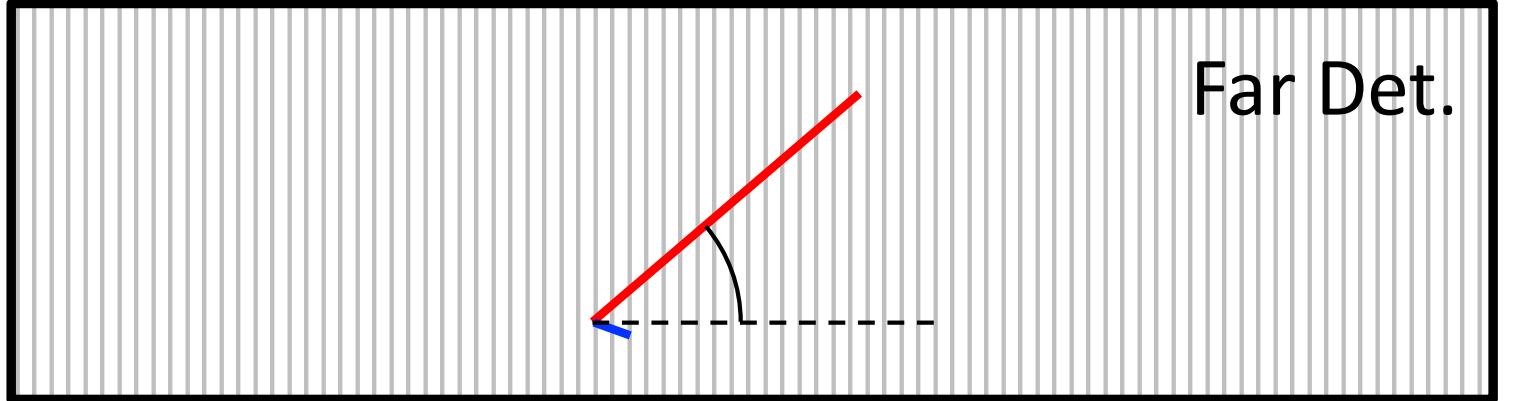
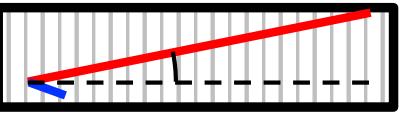


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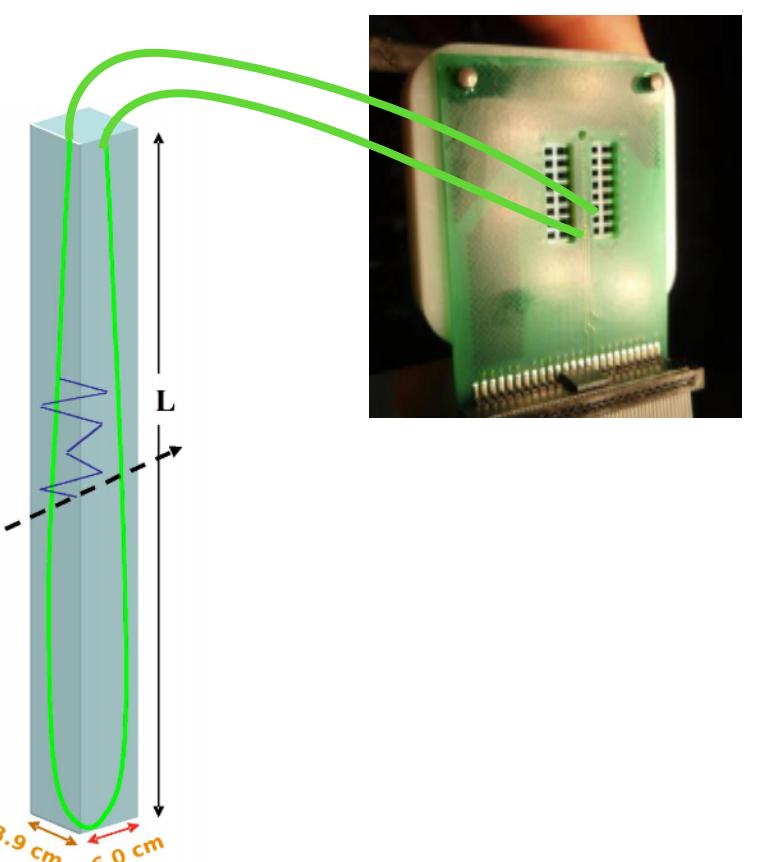
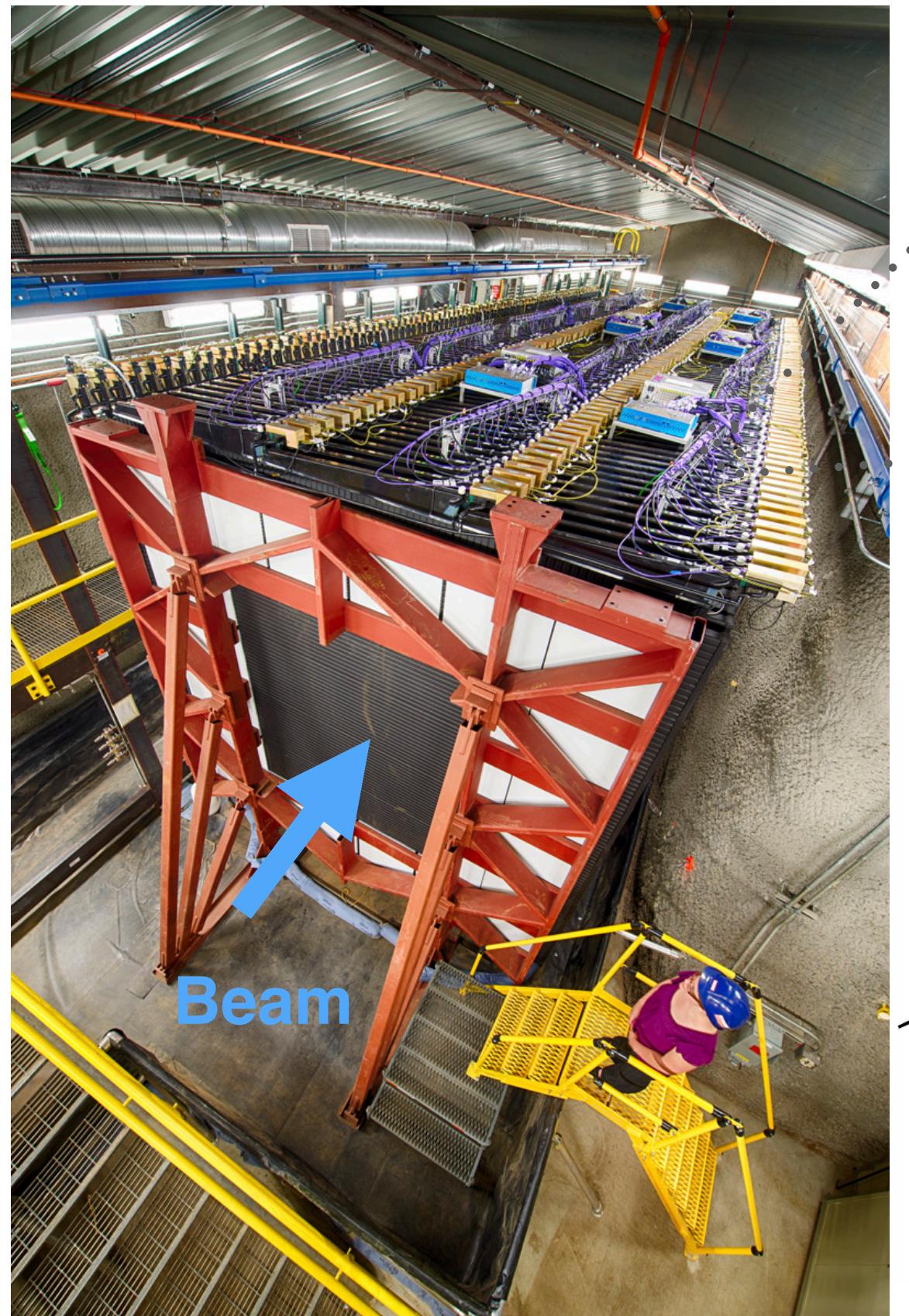


NOvA detectors

Near Det.

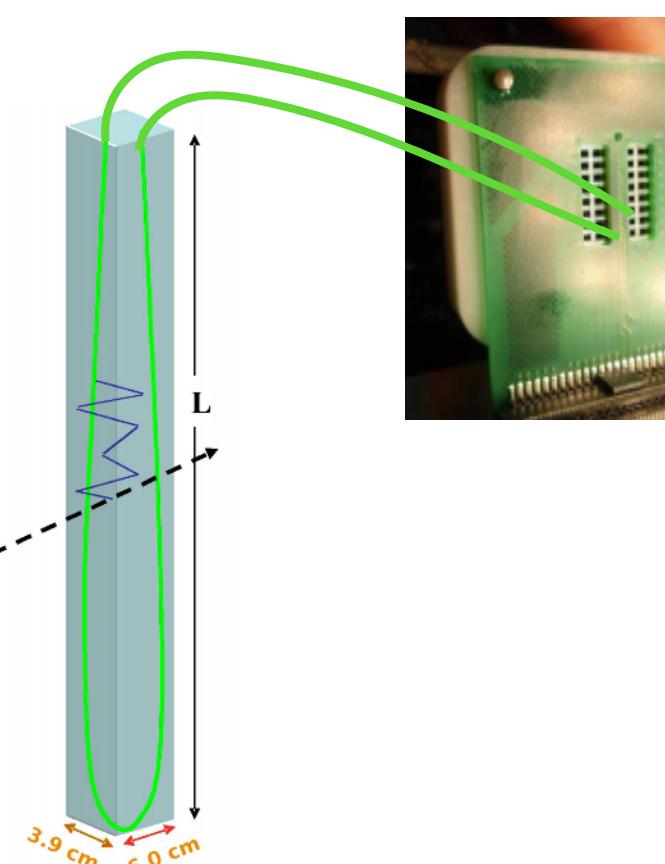
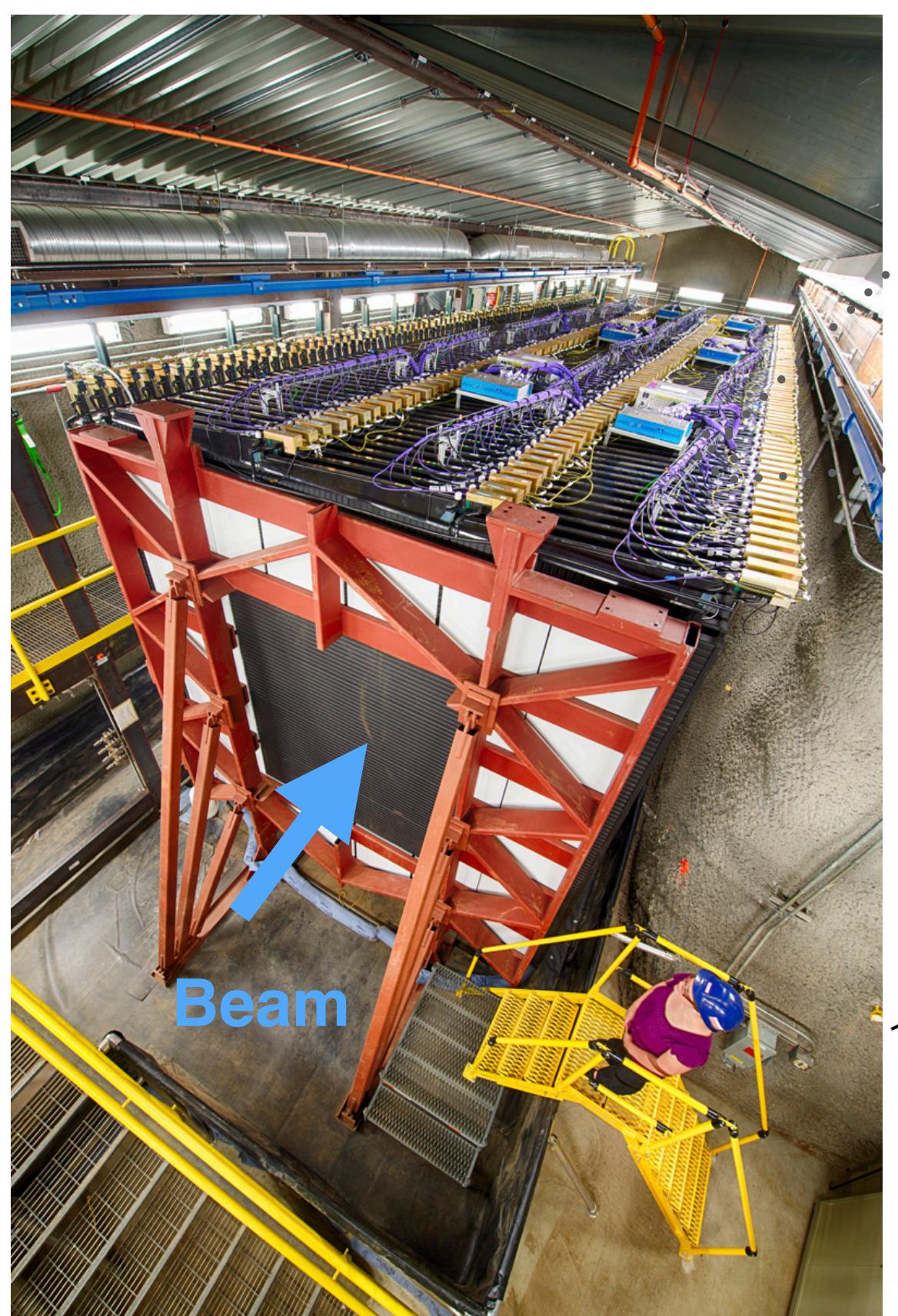
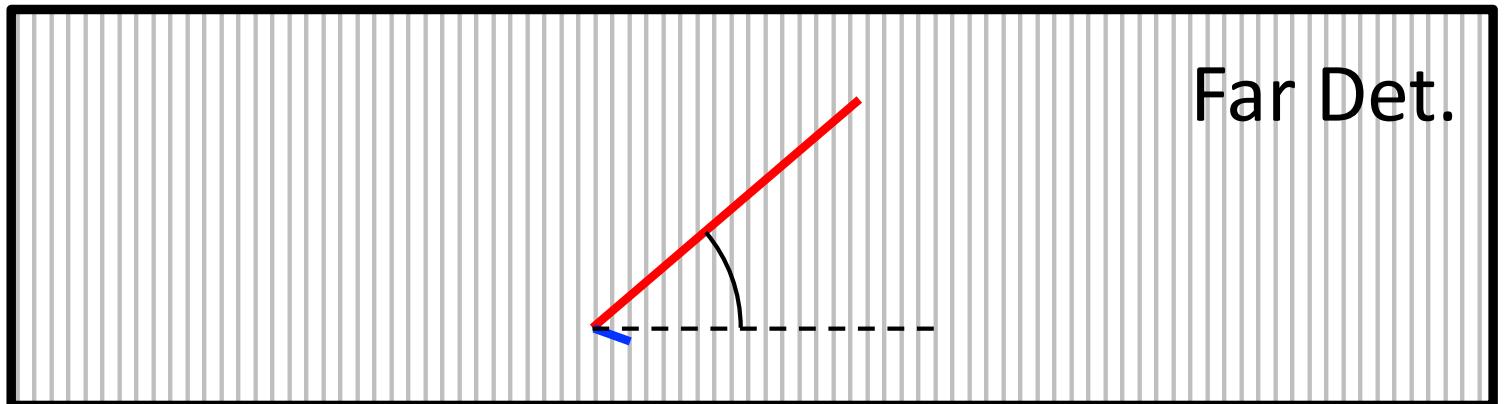
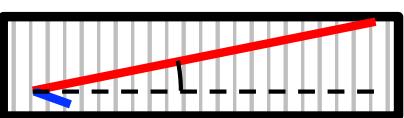


Far Det.



NOvA detectors

Near Det.



ν_μ CC

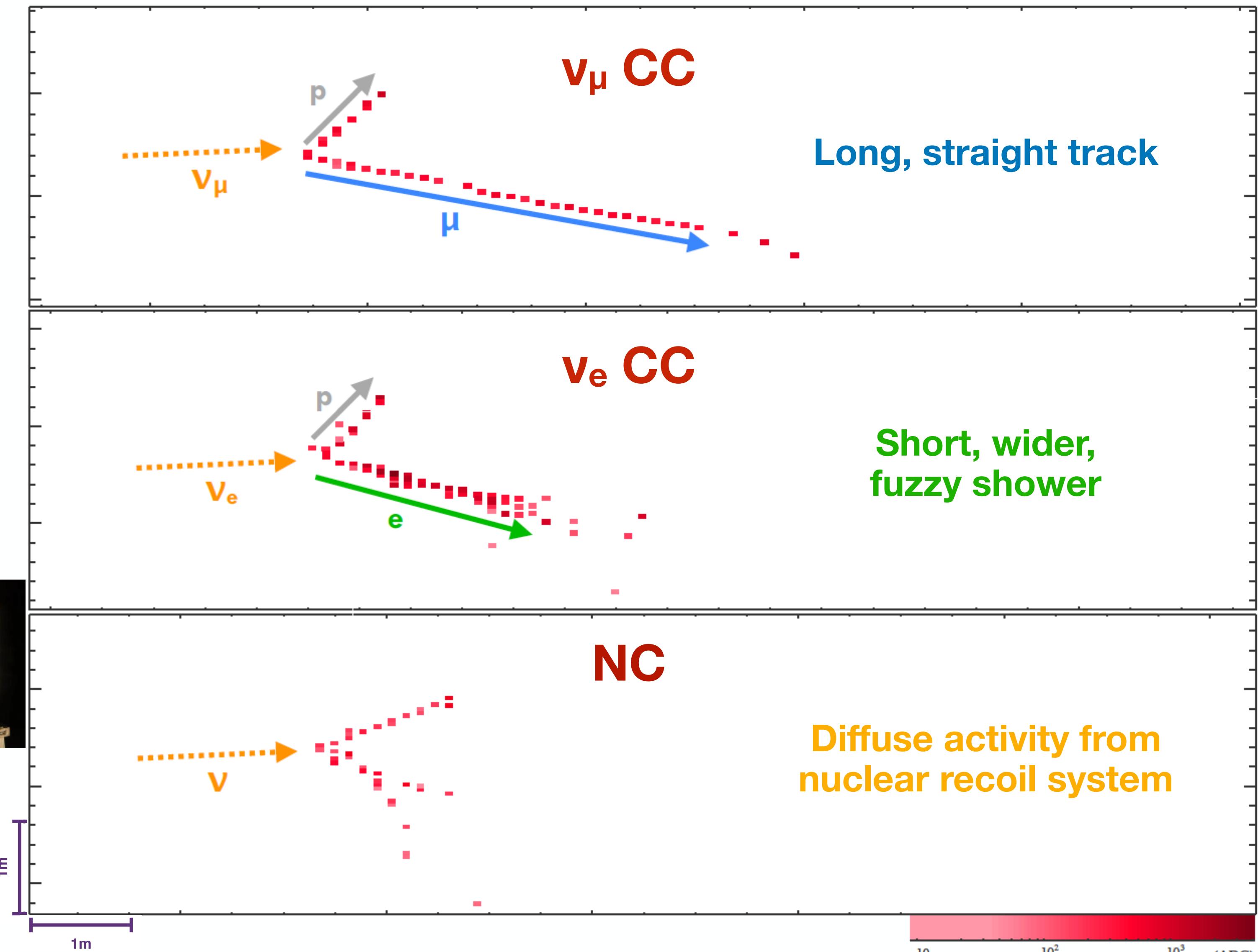
Long, straight track

ν_e CC

Short, wider, fuzzy shower

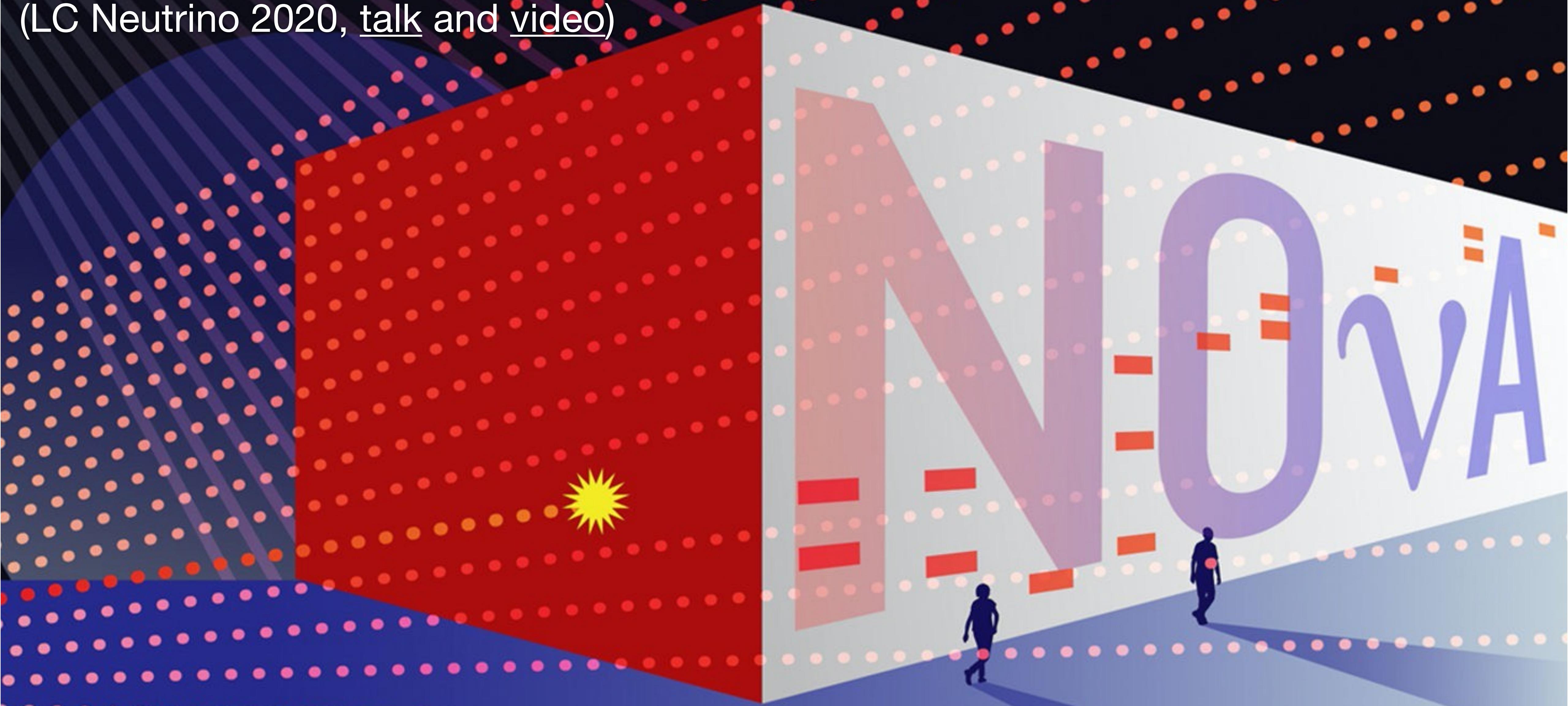
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Diffuse activity from nuclear recoil system

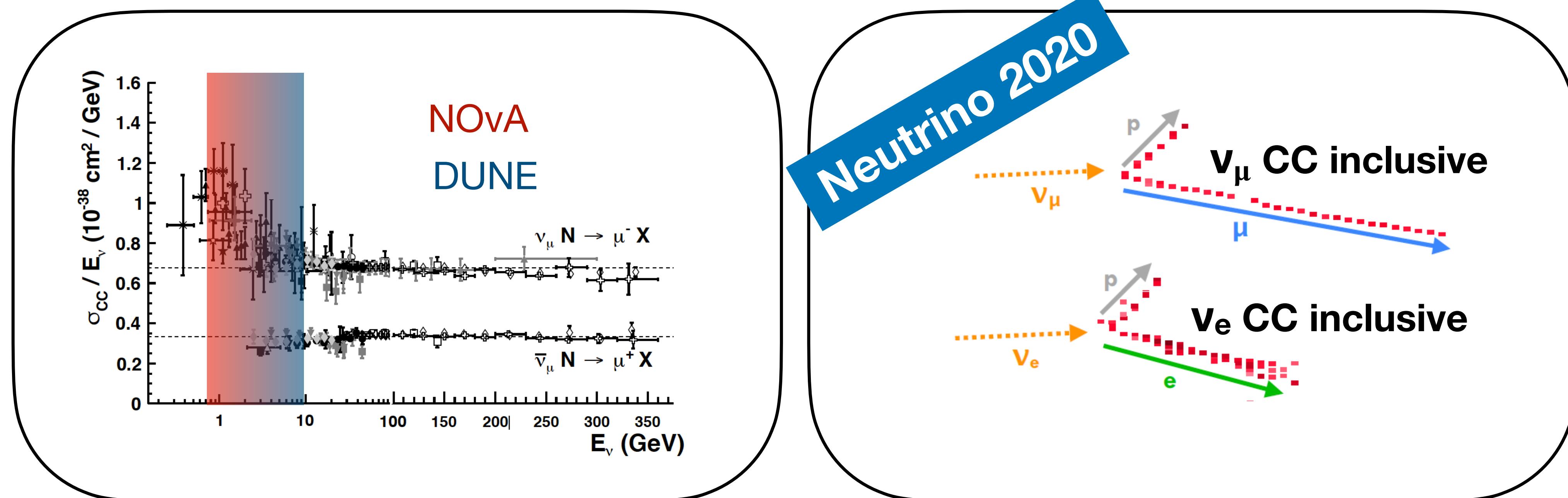


NOvA neutrino interactions

(LC Neutrino 2020, [talk](#) and [video](#))



NOvA cross section programme



ν_μ CC inclusive

Beam →

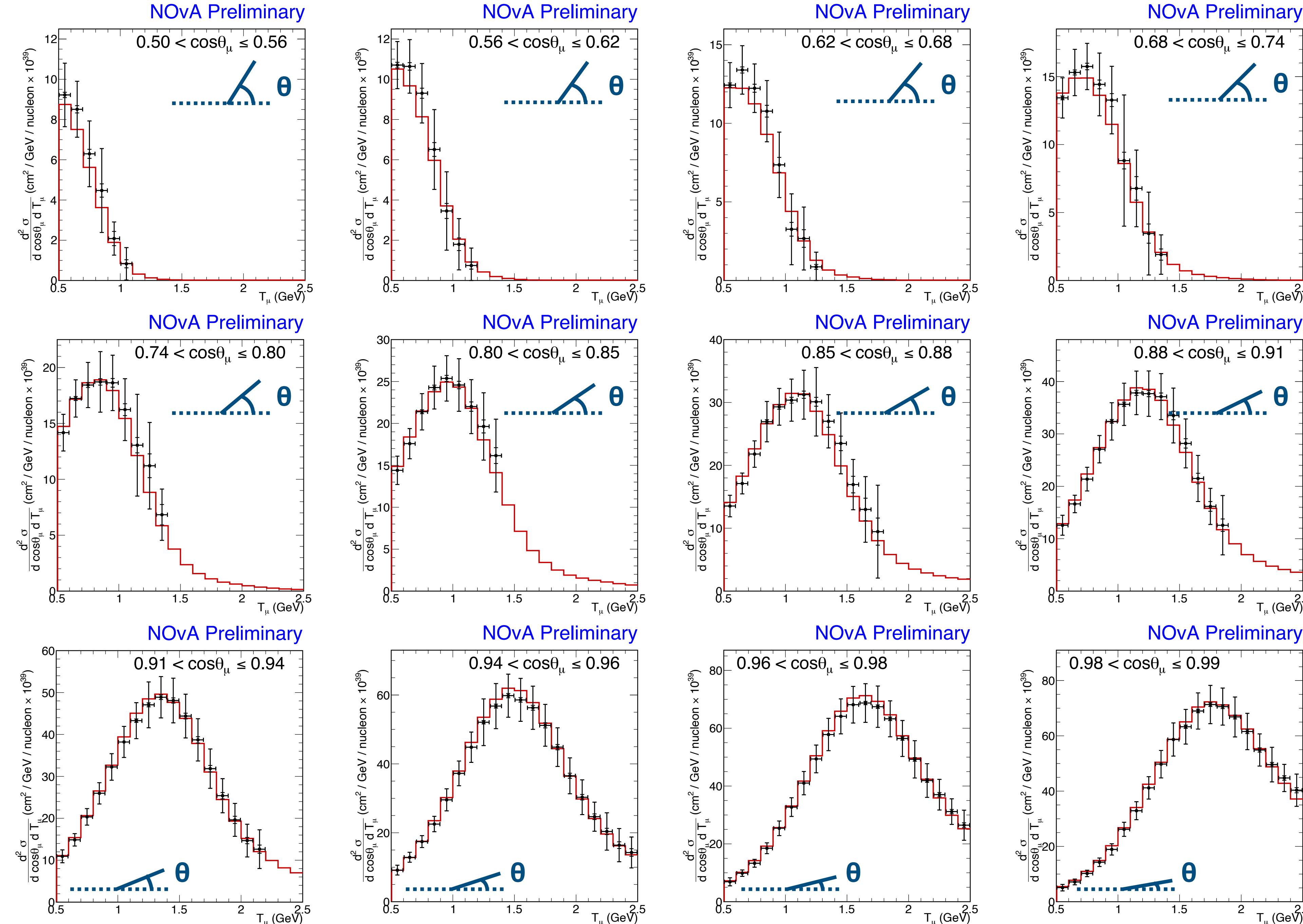
ν_μ CC inclusive

Beam →

More than 1M ν_μ CC events in our selection

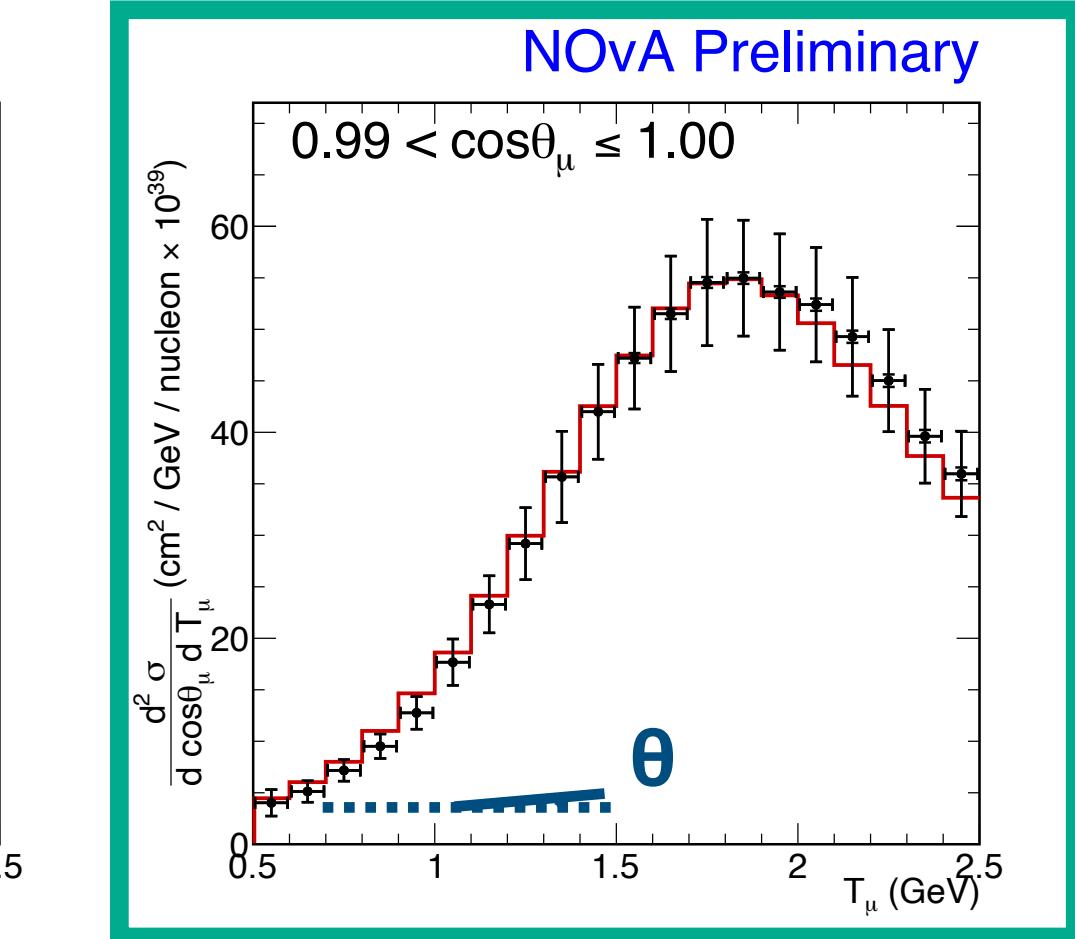
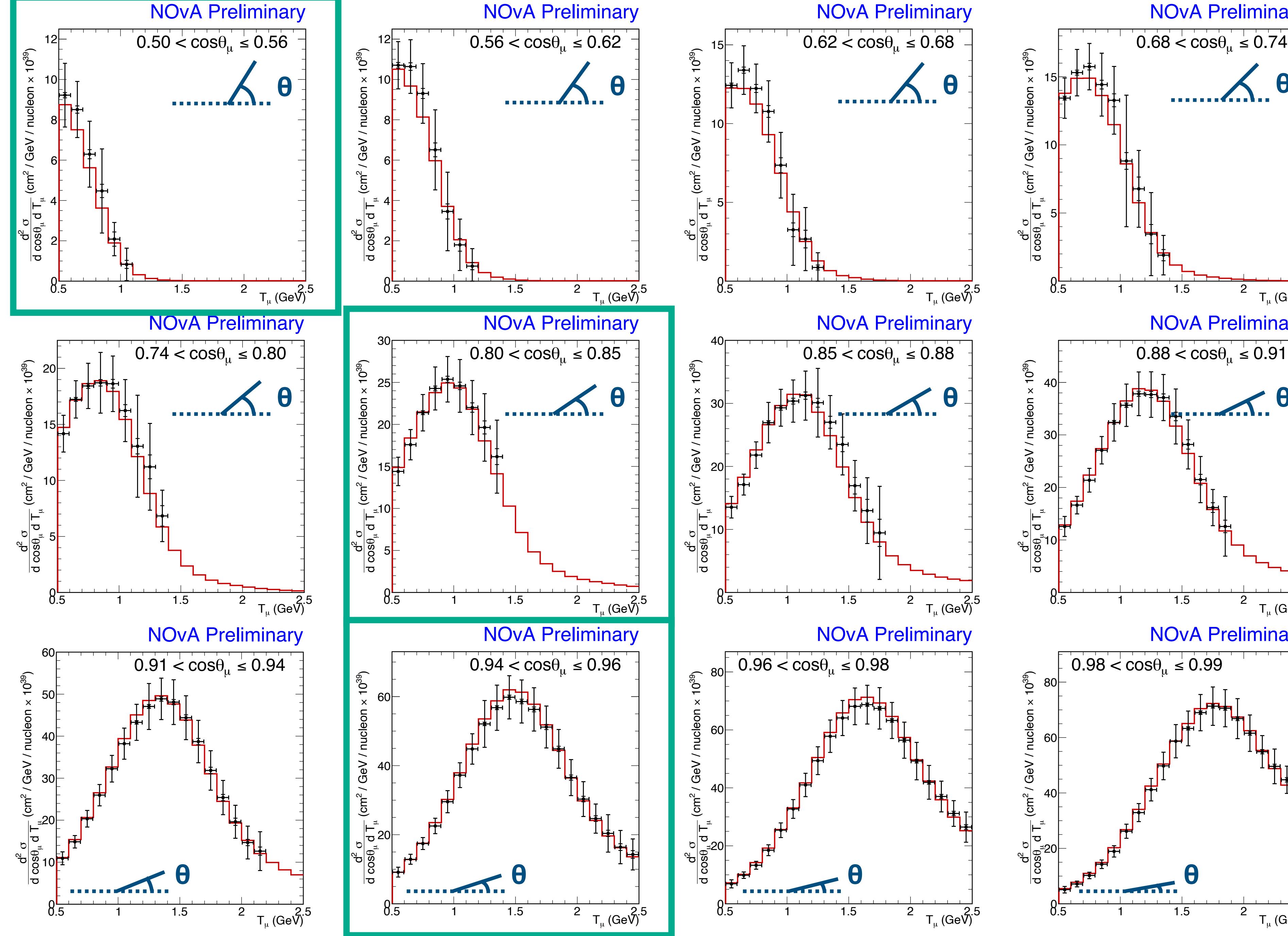
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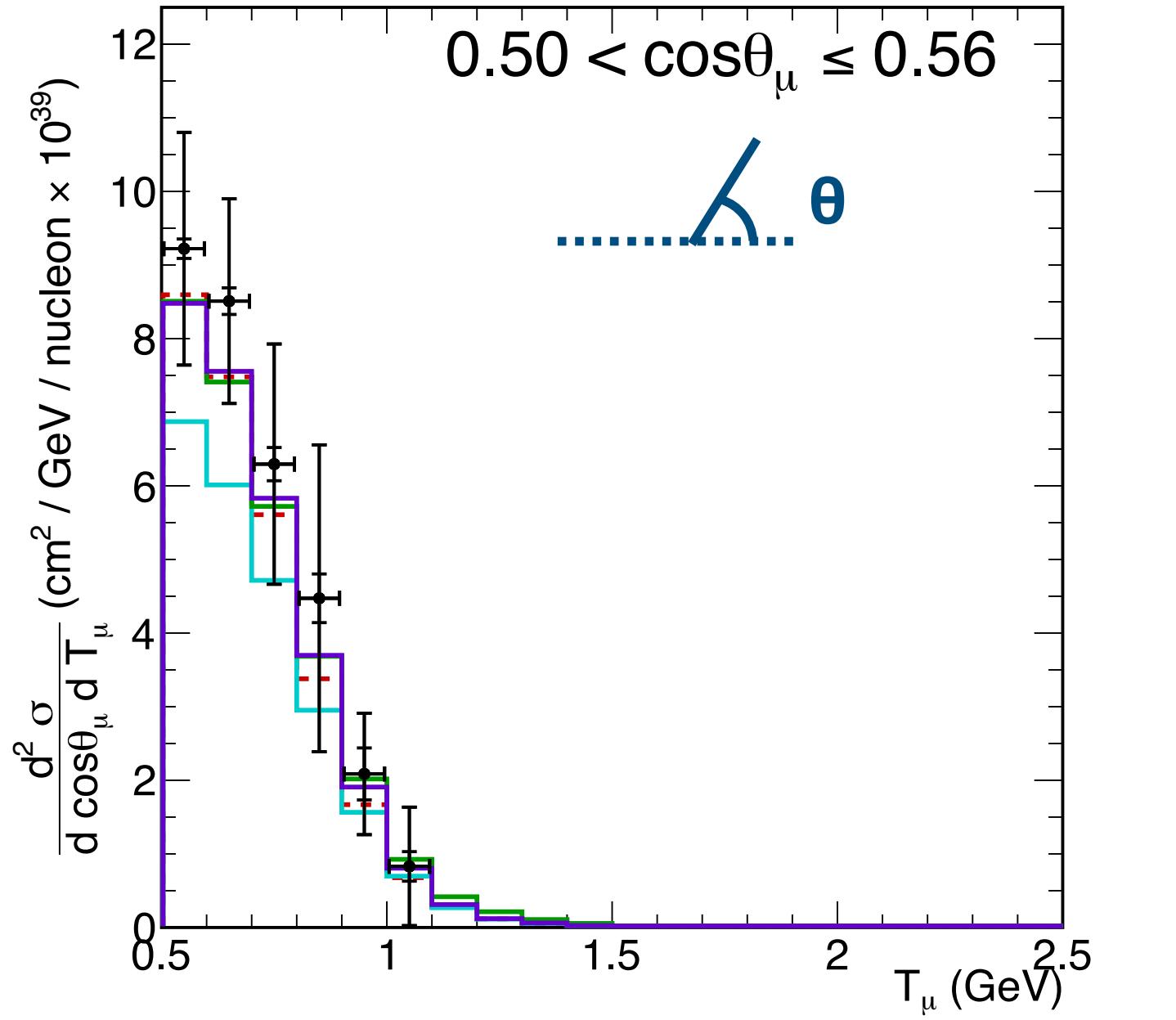


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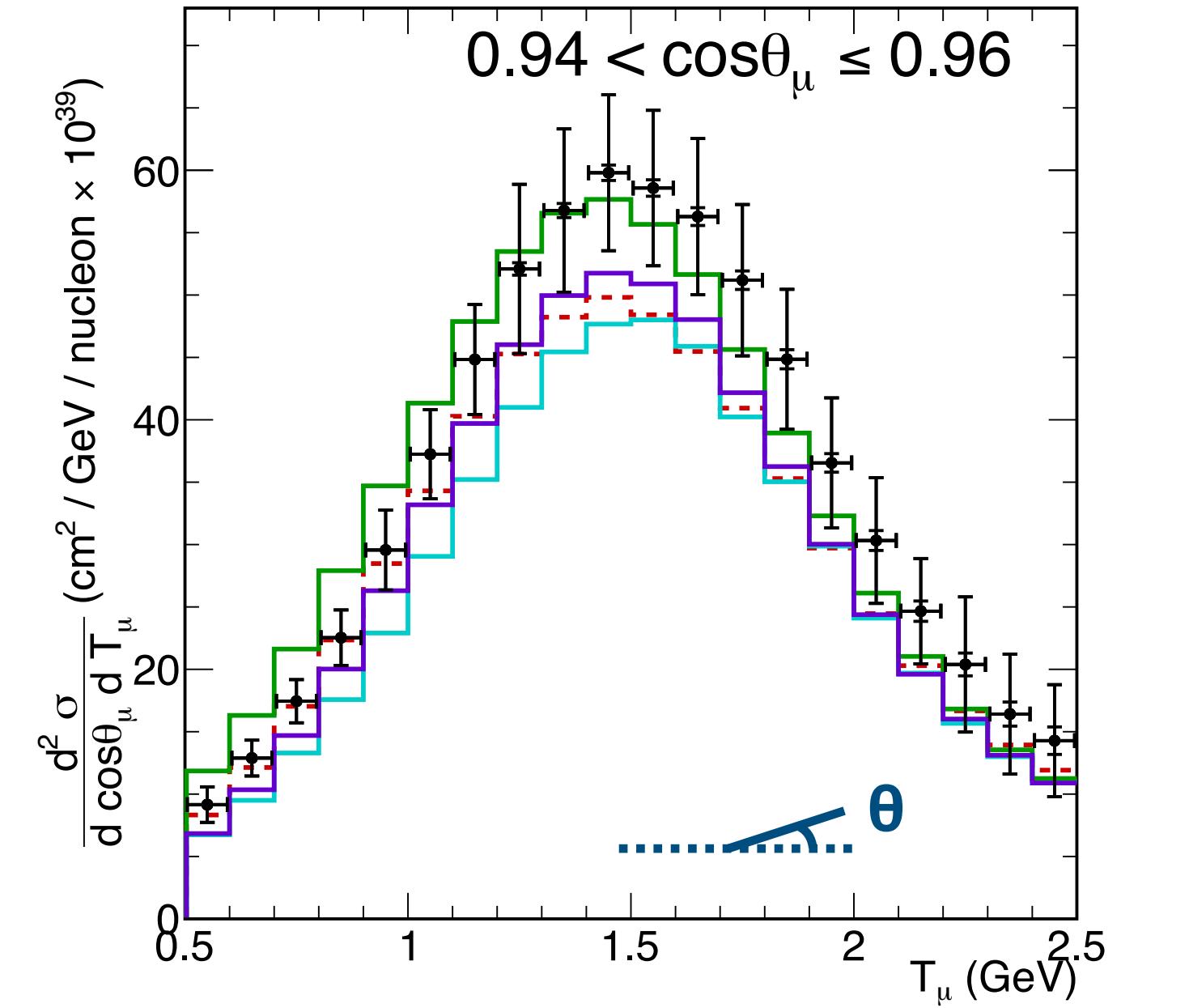
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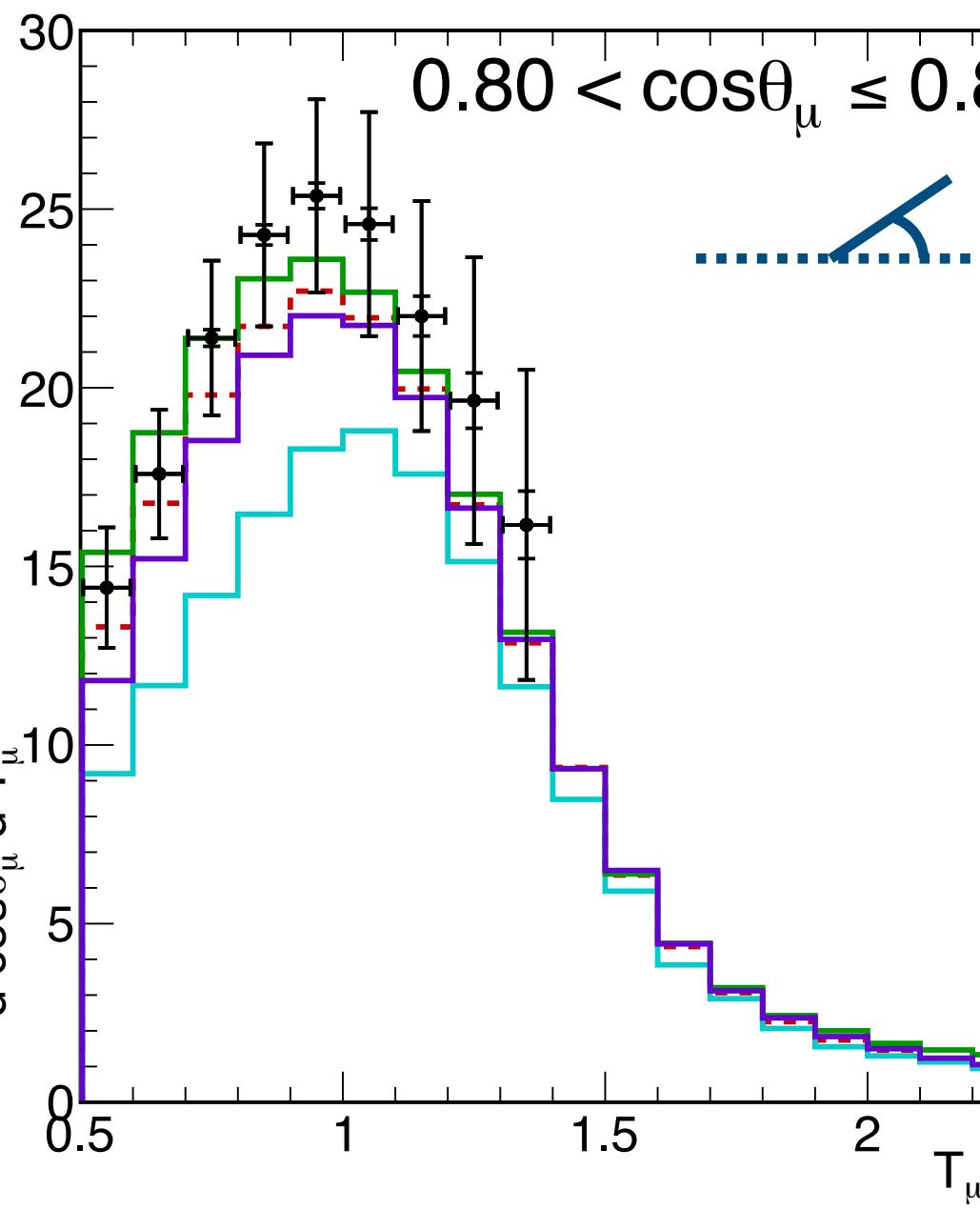
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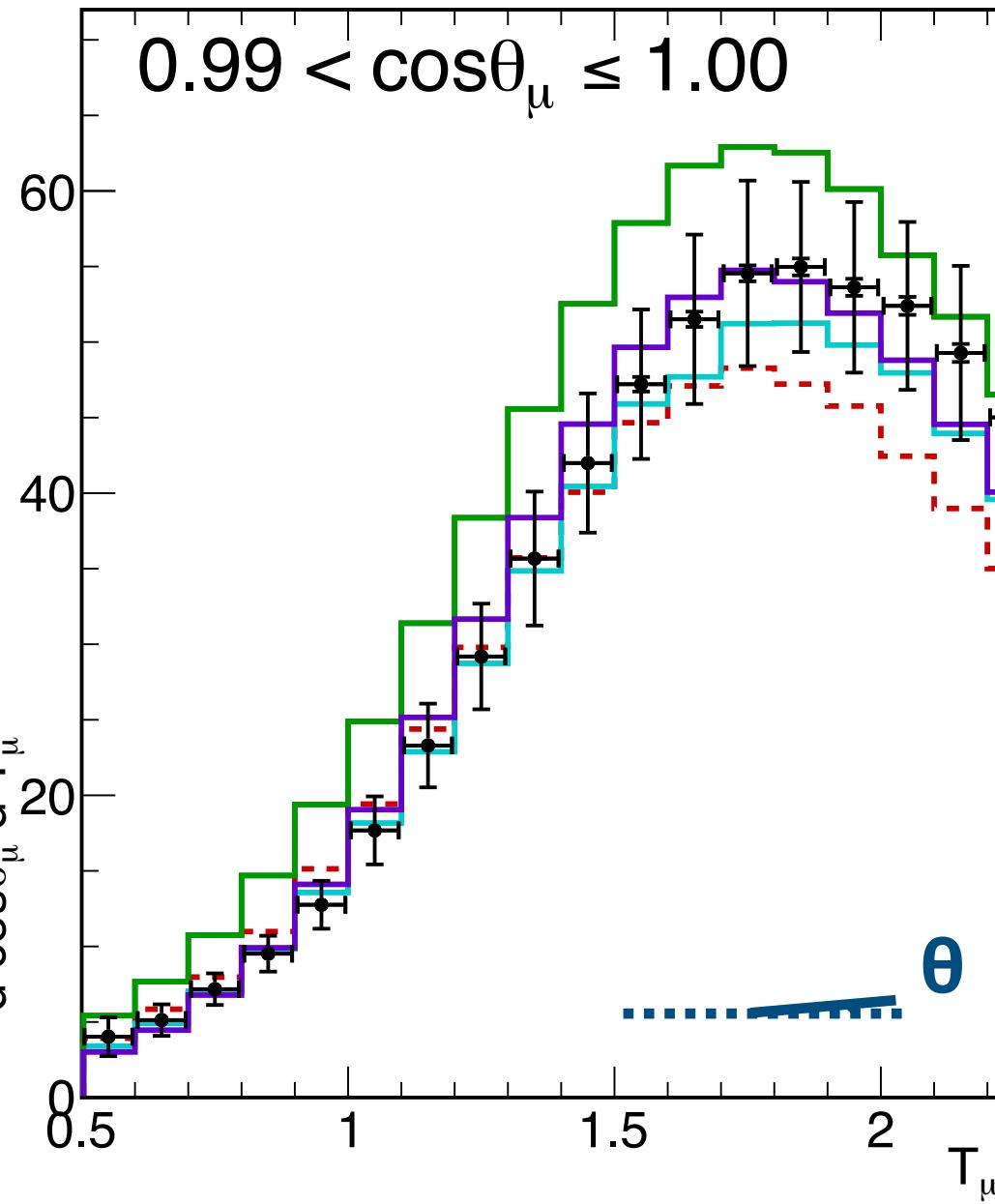
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Example 4 cosine slices

ν_μ CC inclusive

- Data (Stat. + Syst.)
- - - GENIE 3.00.06*
- - GiBUU 2019
- - NEUT 5.4.0
- - NuWro 2019

- Out of the box generator comparisons.
- All generators reproduce well the shape of our data.
- We notice an overall normalisation difference in GiBUU.

*N18_10j_02_11a: combination of G18_10j_00_000 and G18_10b_02_11a

“Guess who’s back?”

ν_e CC inclusive

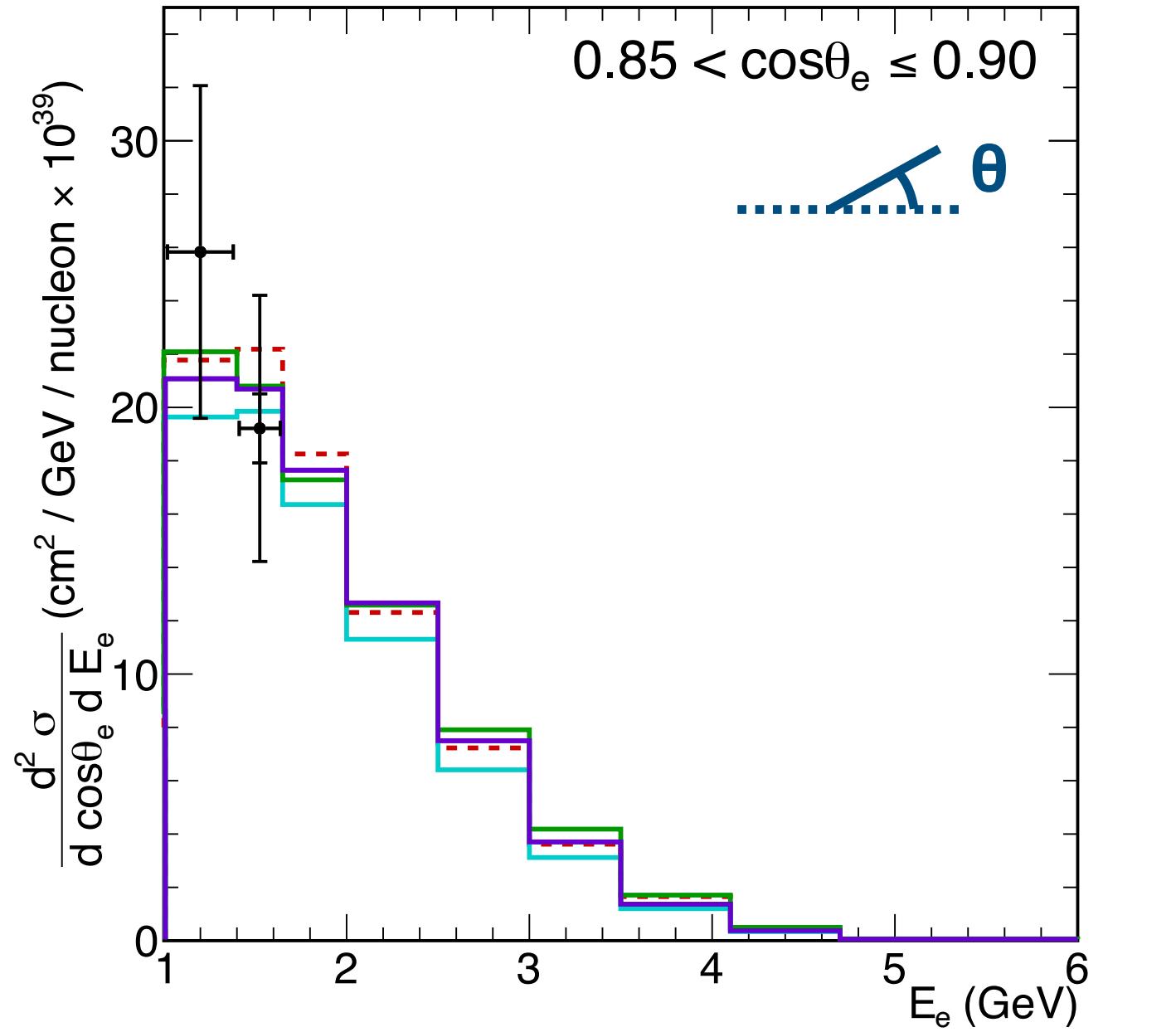
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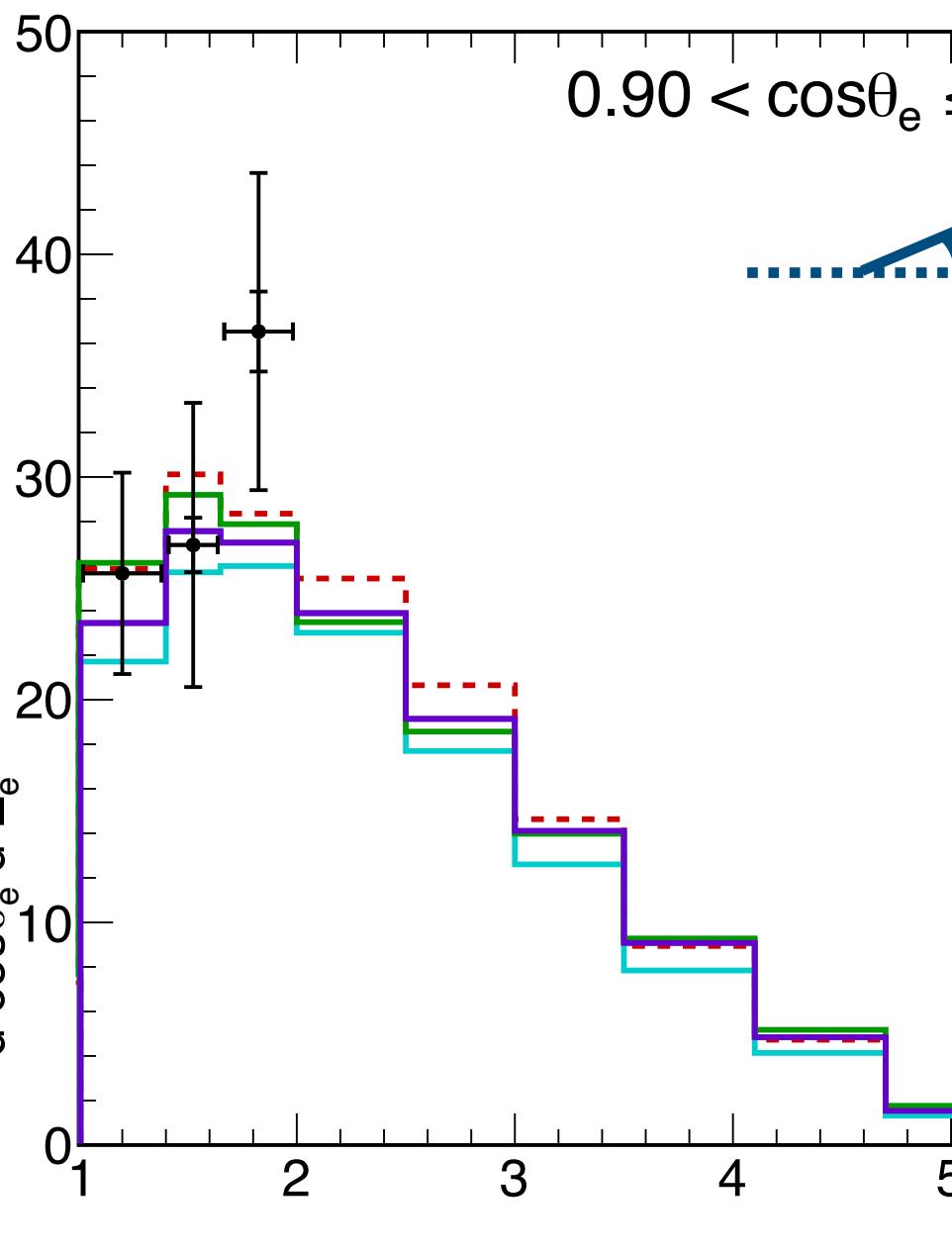
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1% of our event rates, but still around 10k ν_e CC events in our selection

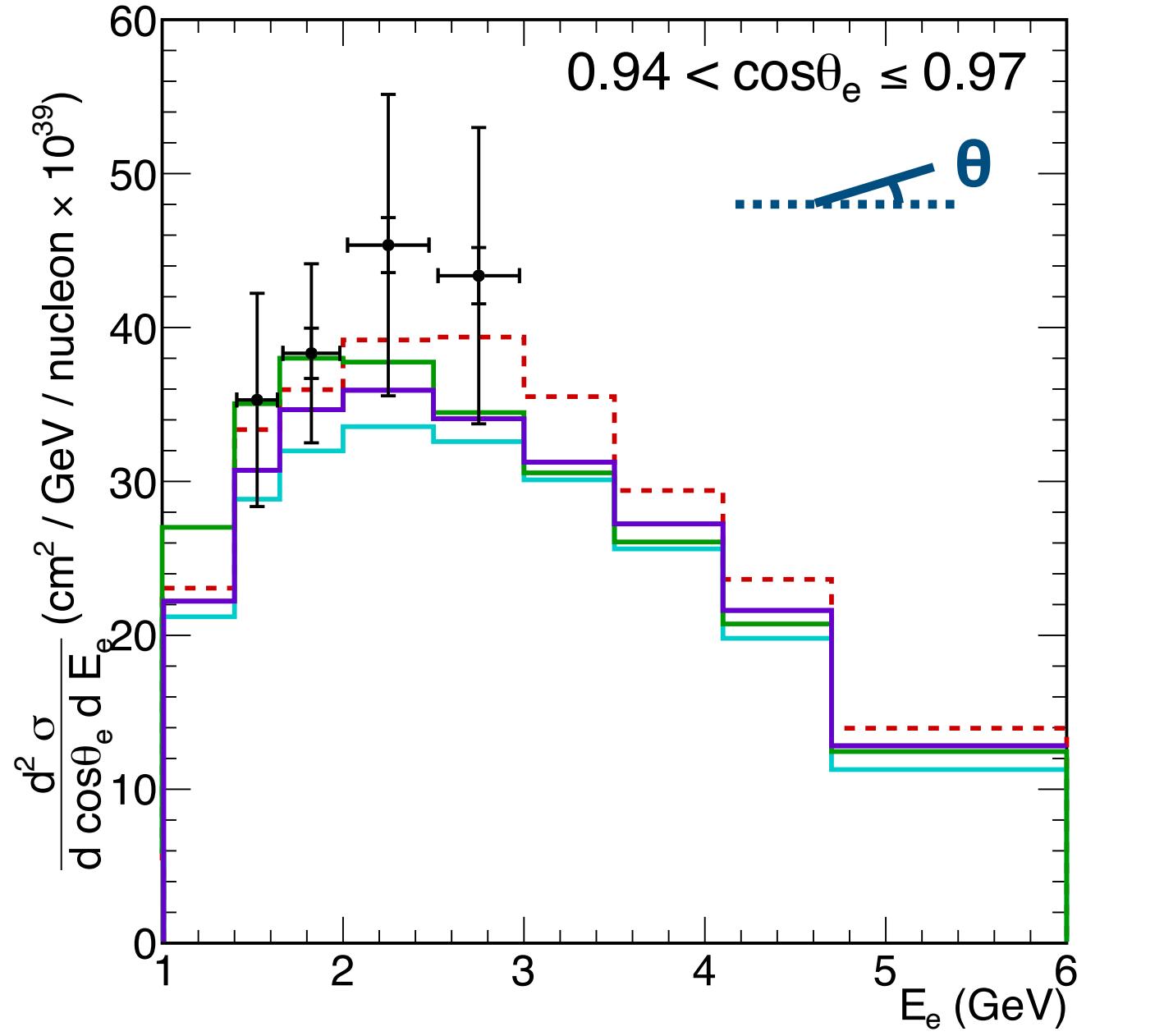
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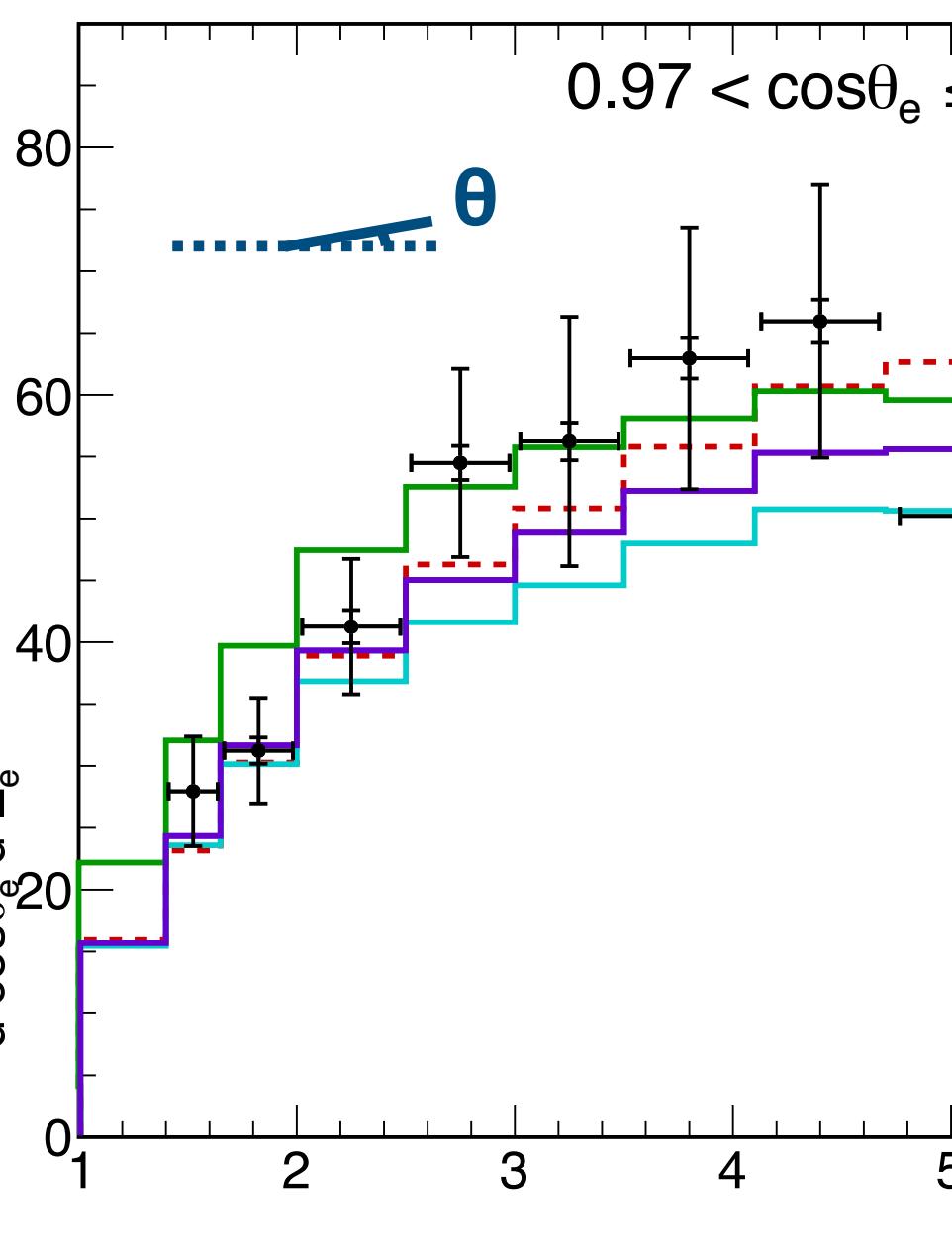
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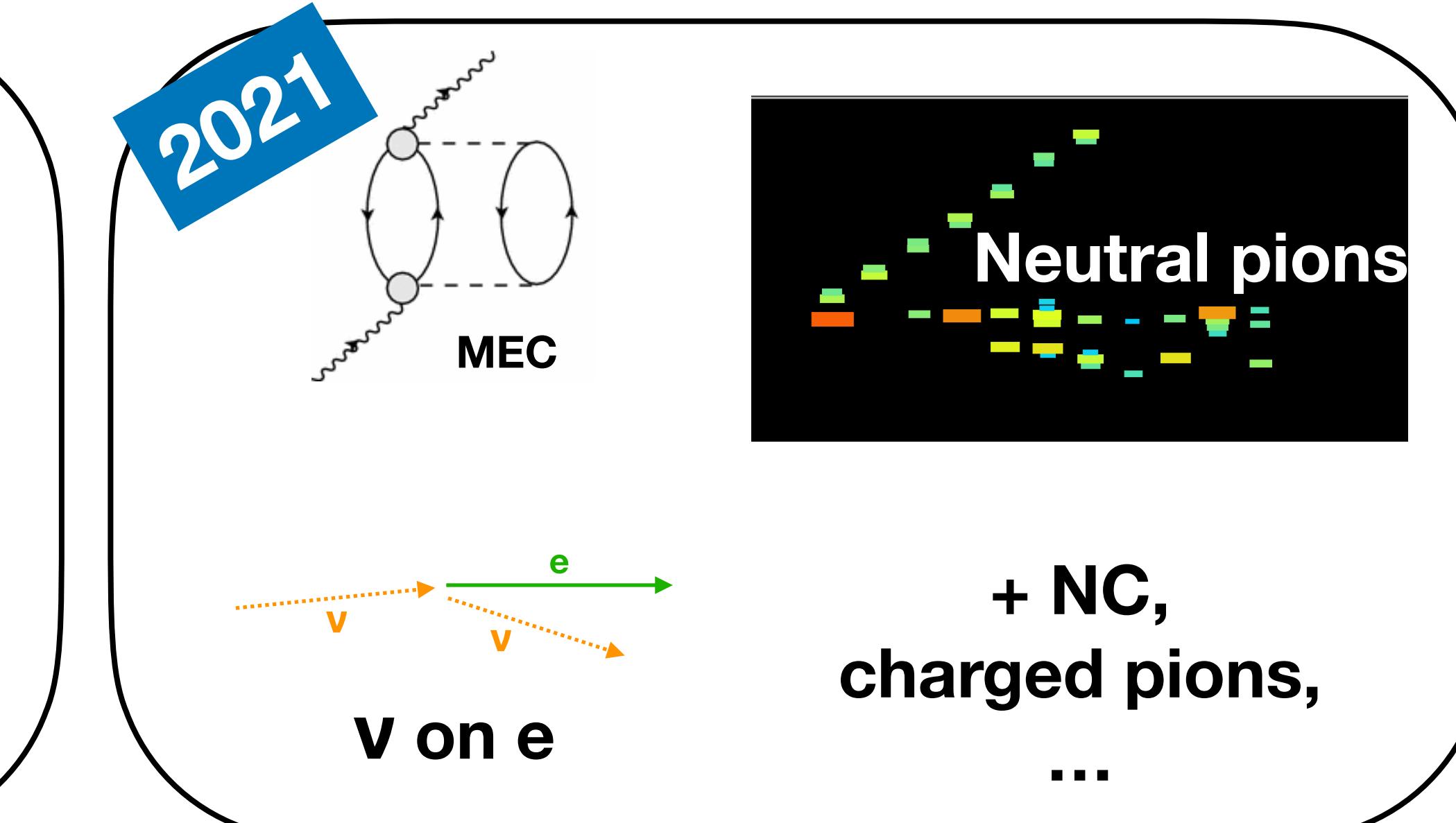
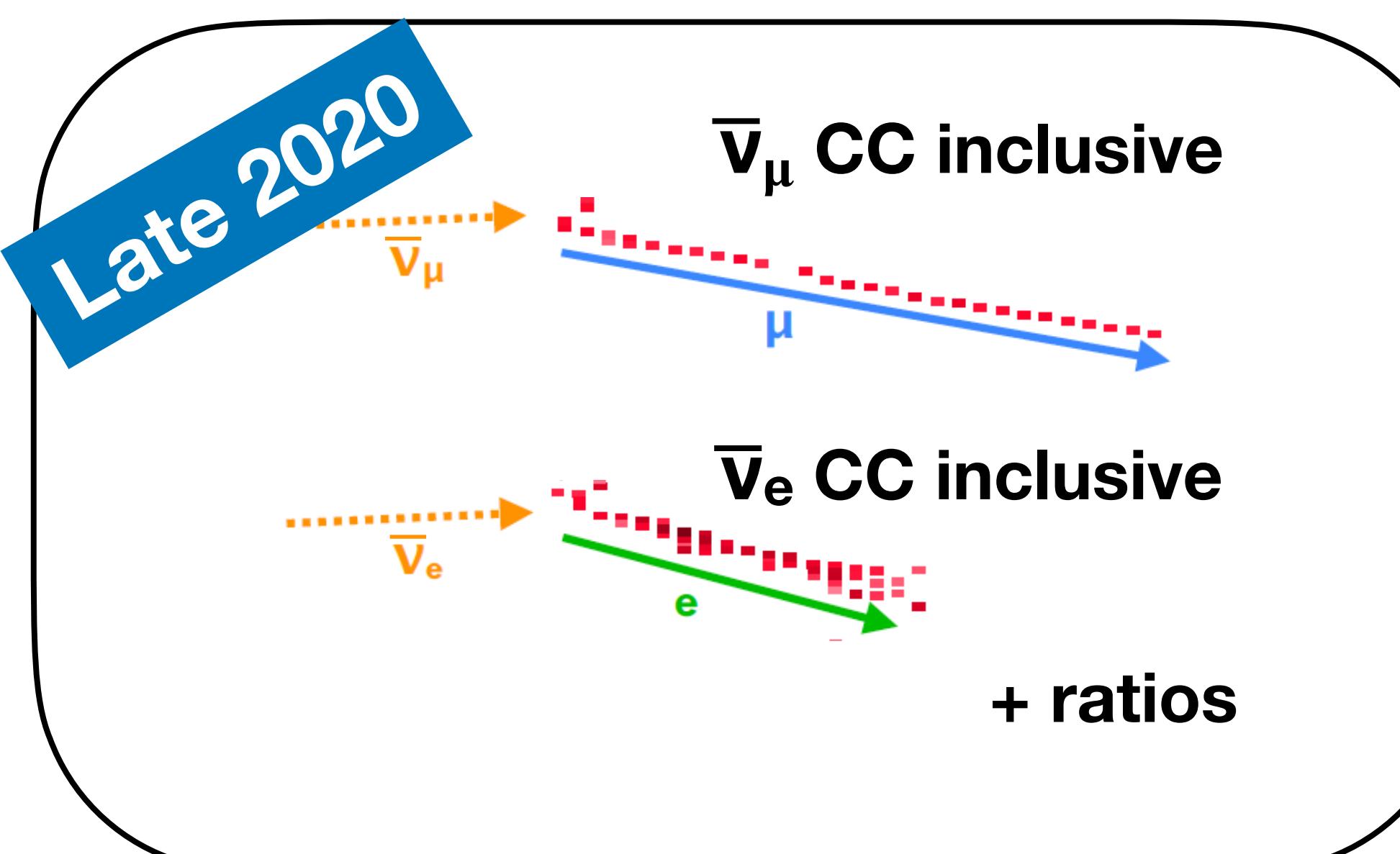
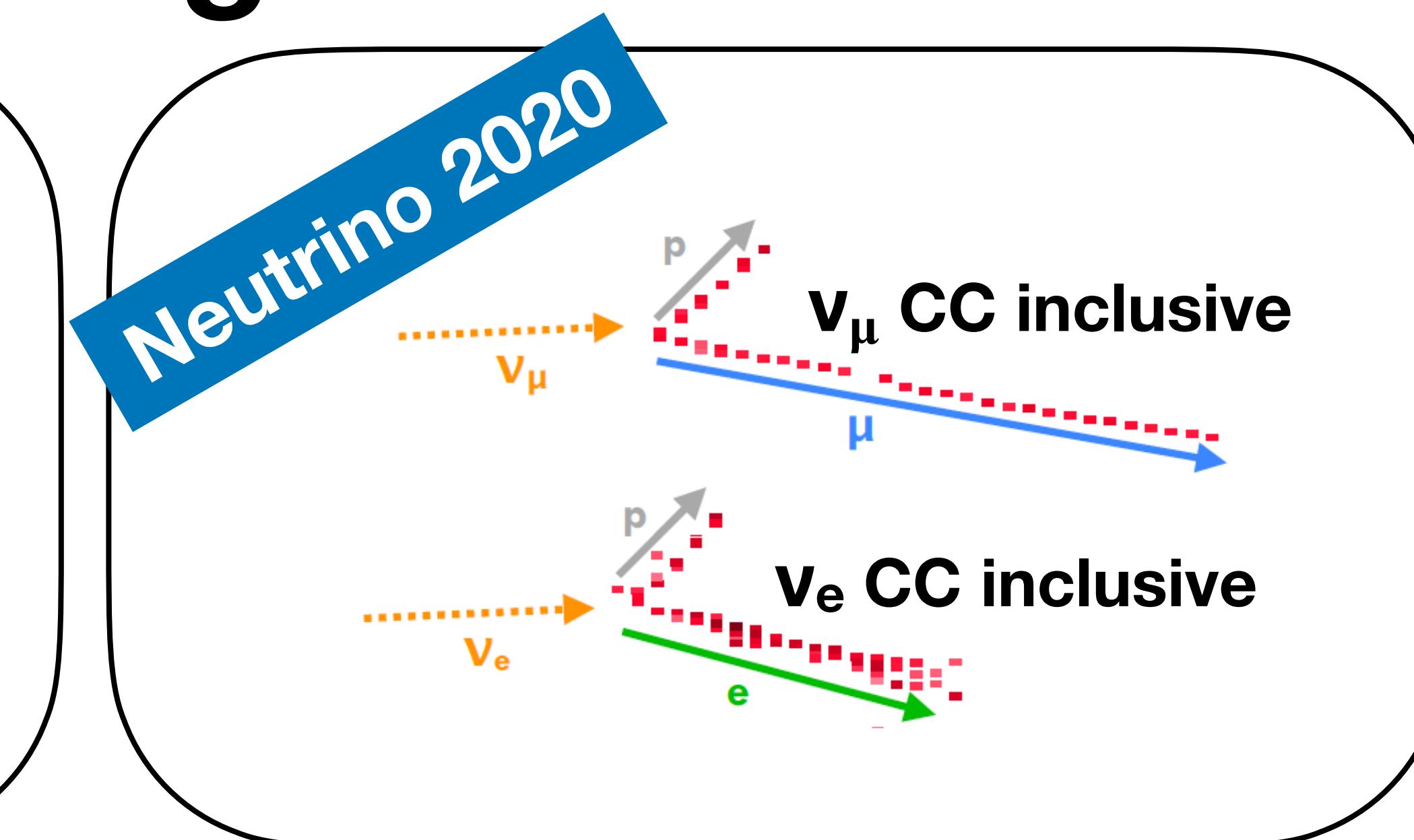
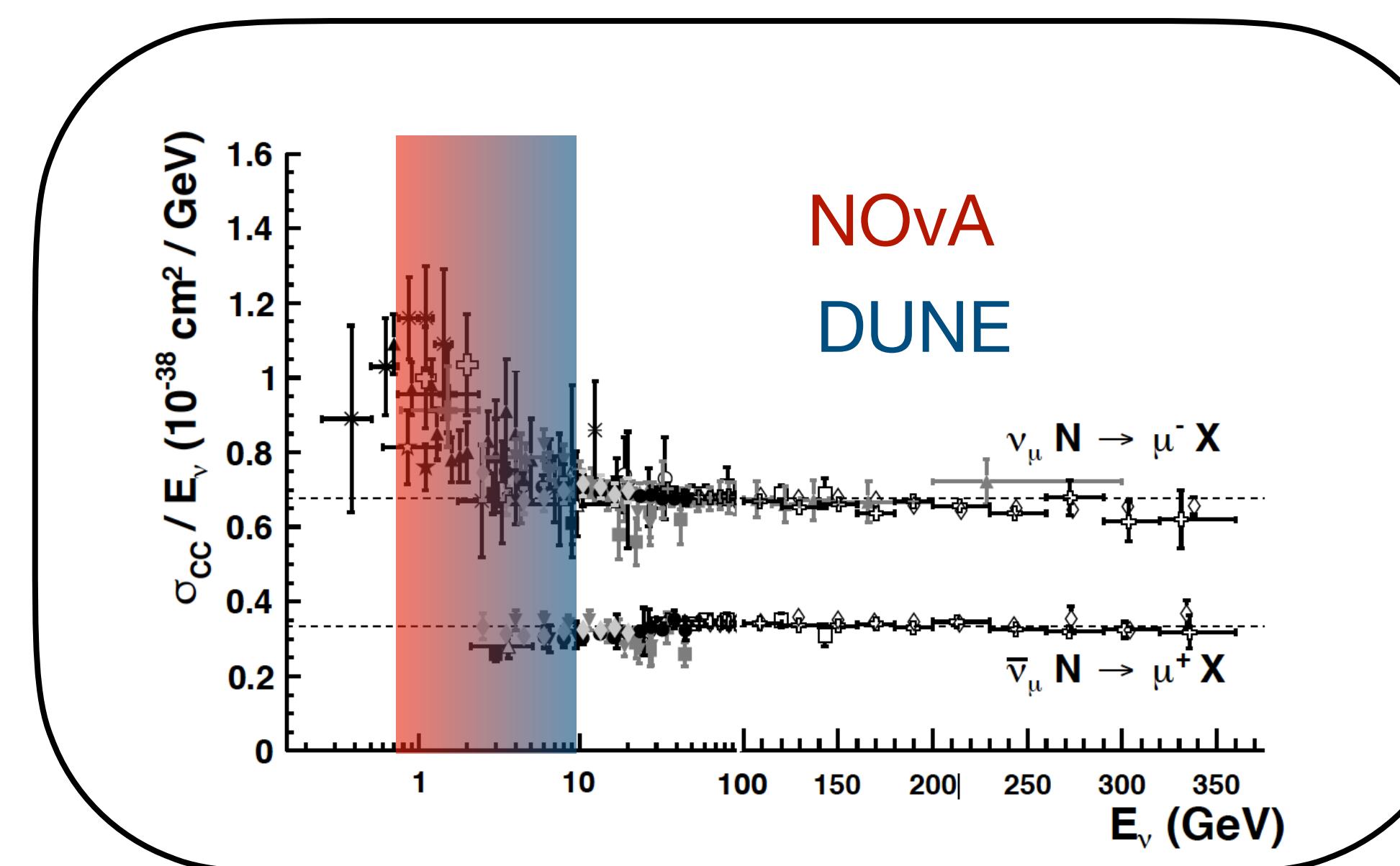
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- **First double differential measurement.**
- Around 10k events.
- Uncertainties $\sim 15\text{-}20\%$ in each bin.
- Good agreement with generators.

*N18_10j_02_11a: combination of G18_10j_00_000 and G18_10b_02_11a

“Guess who’s back?”

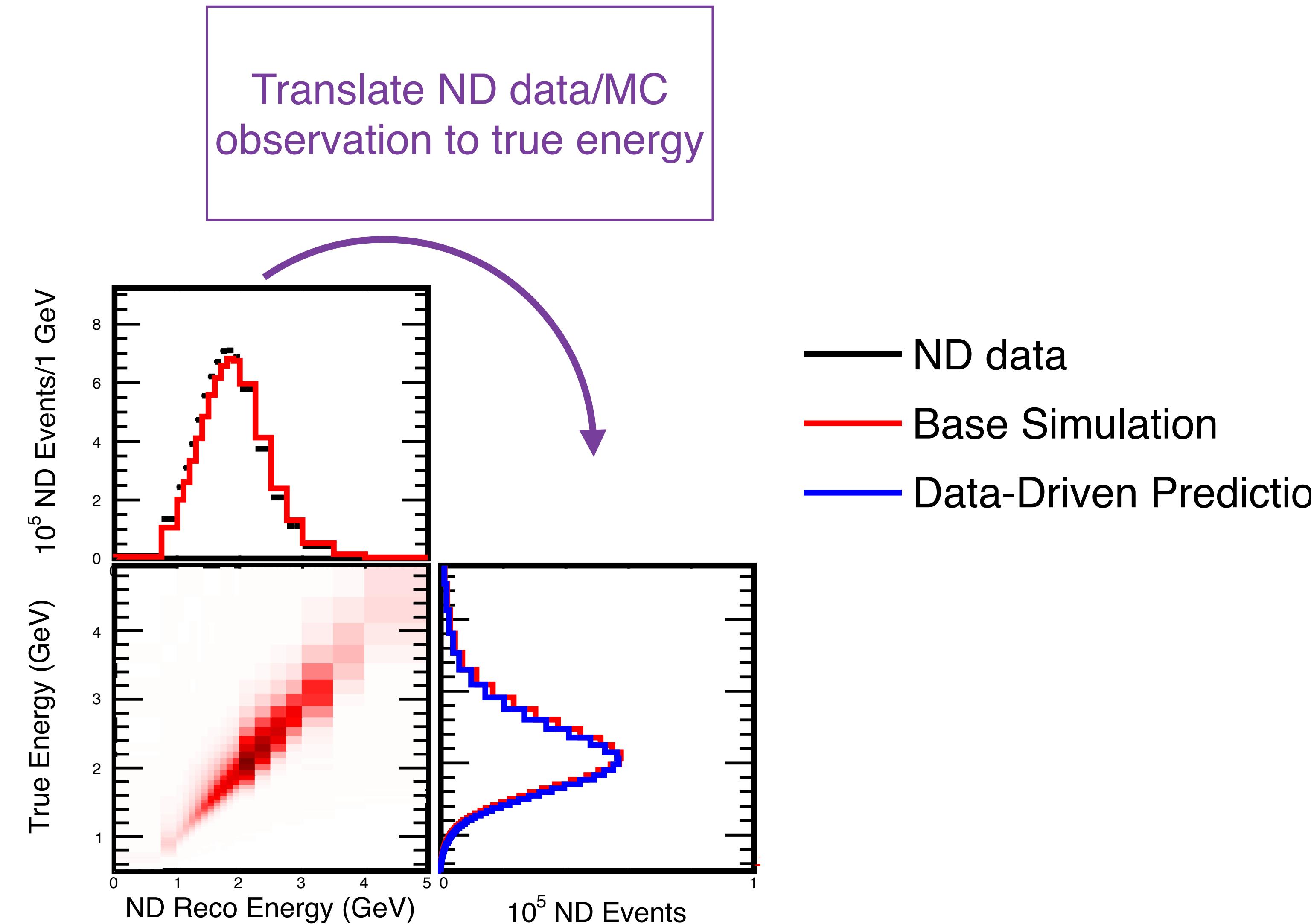
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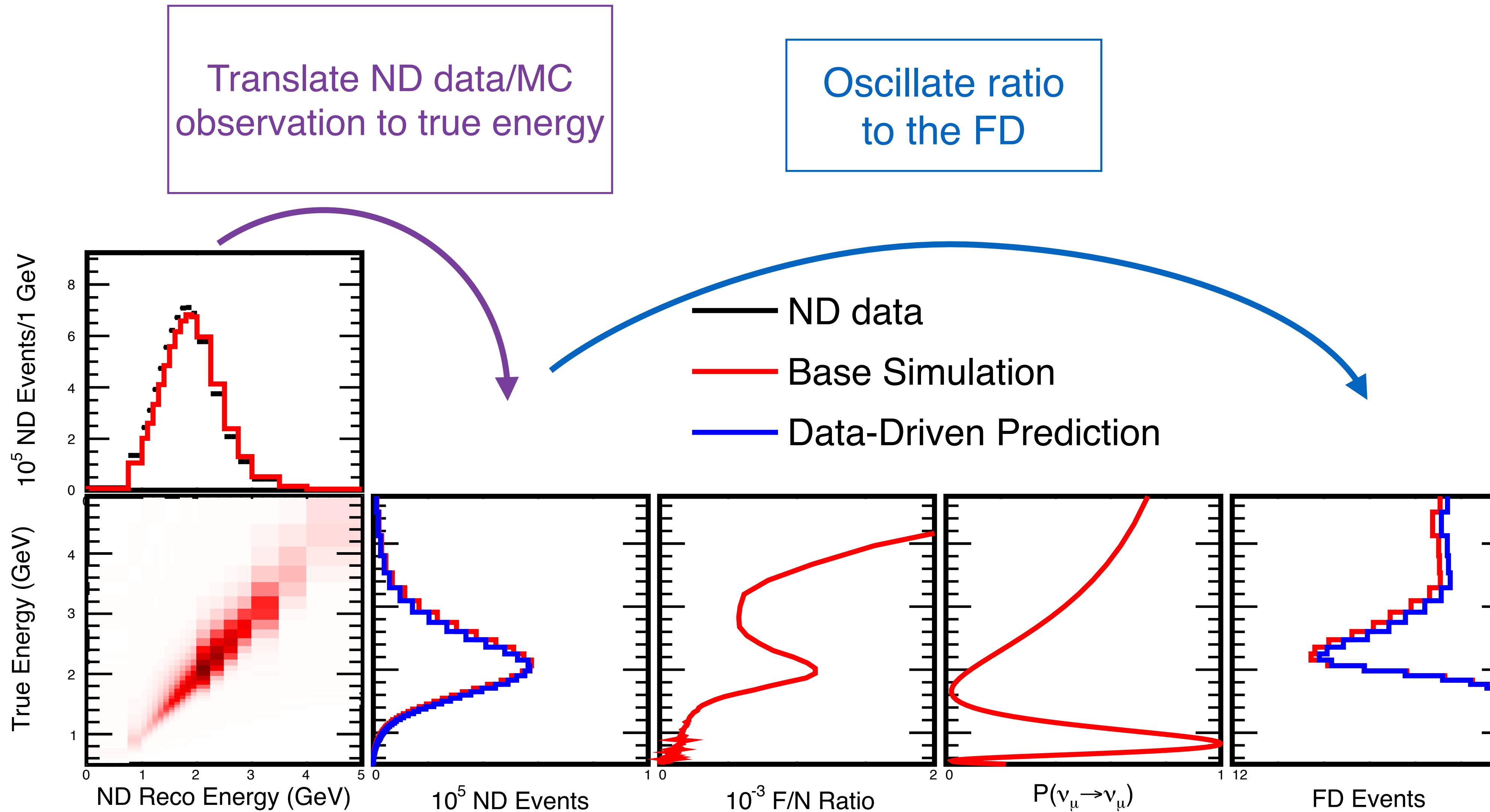
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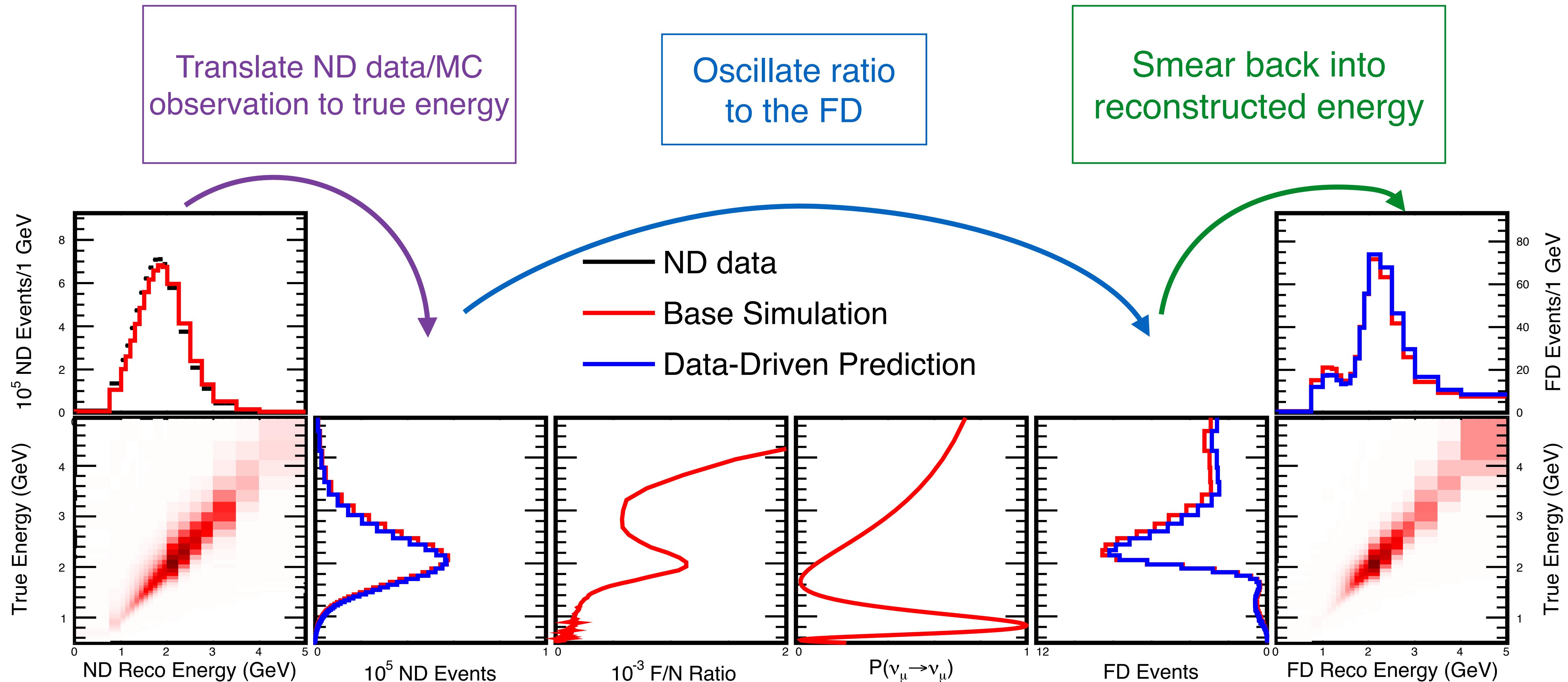
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From the Near to the Far Detector

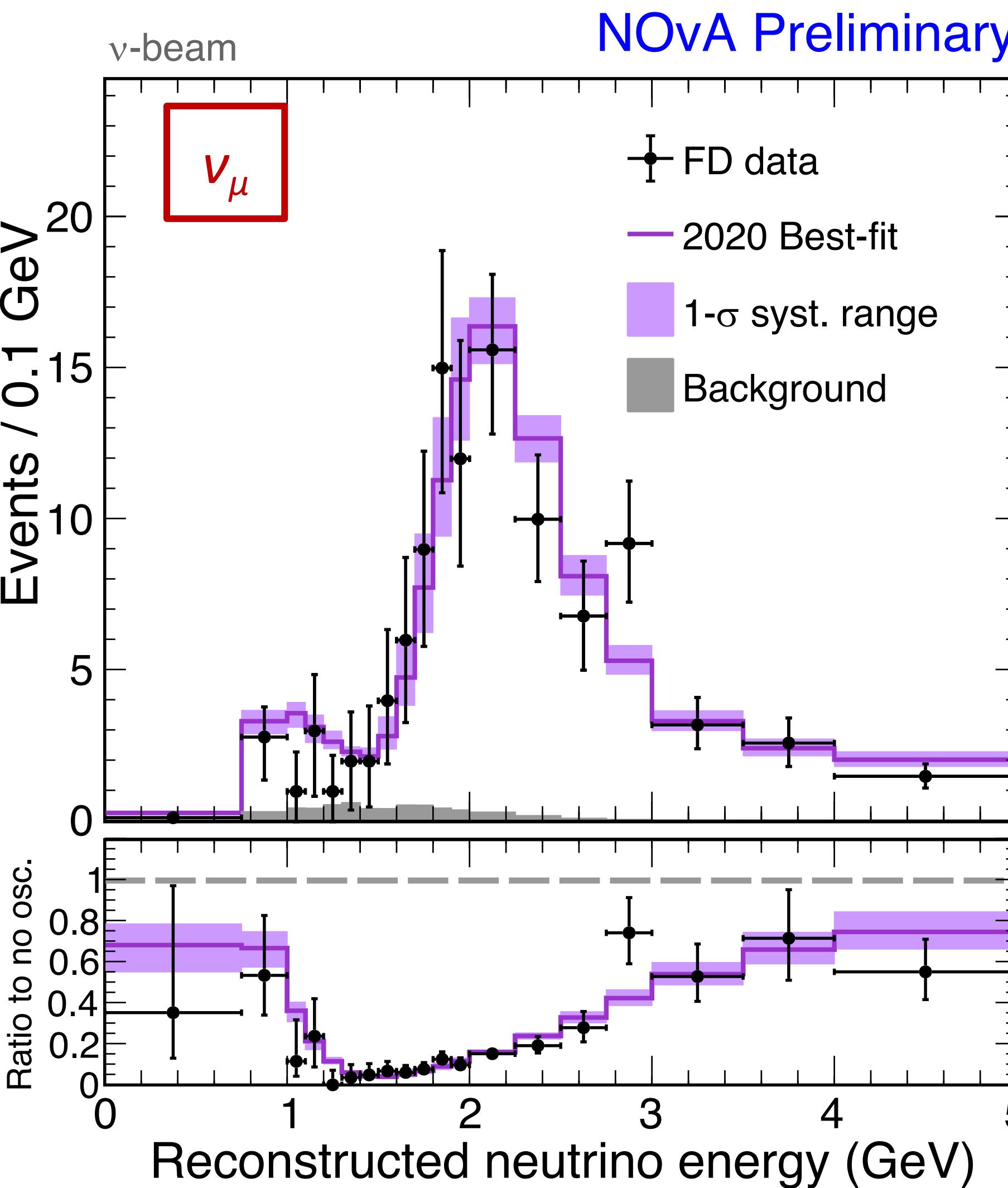


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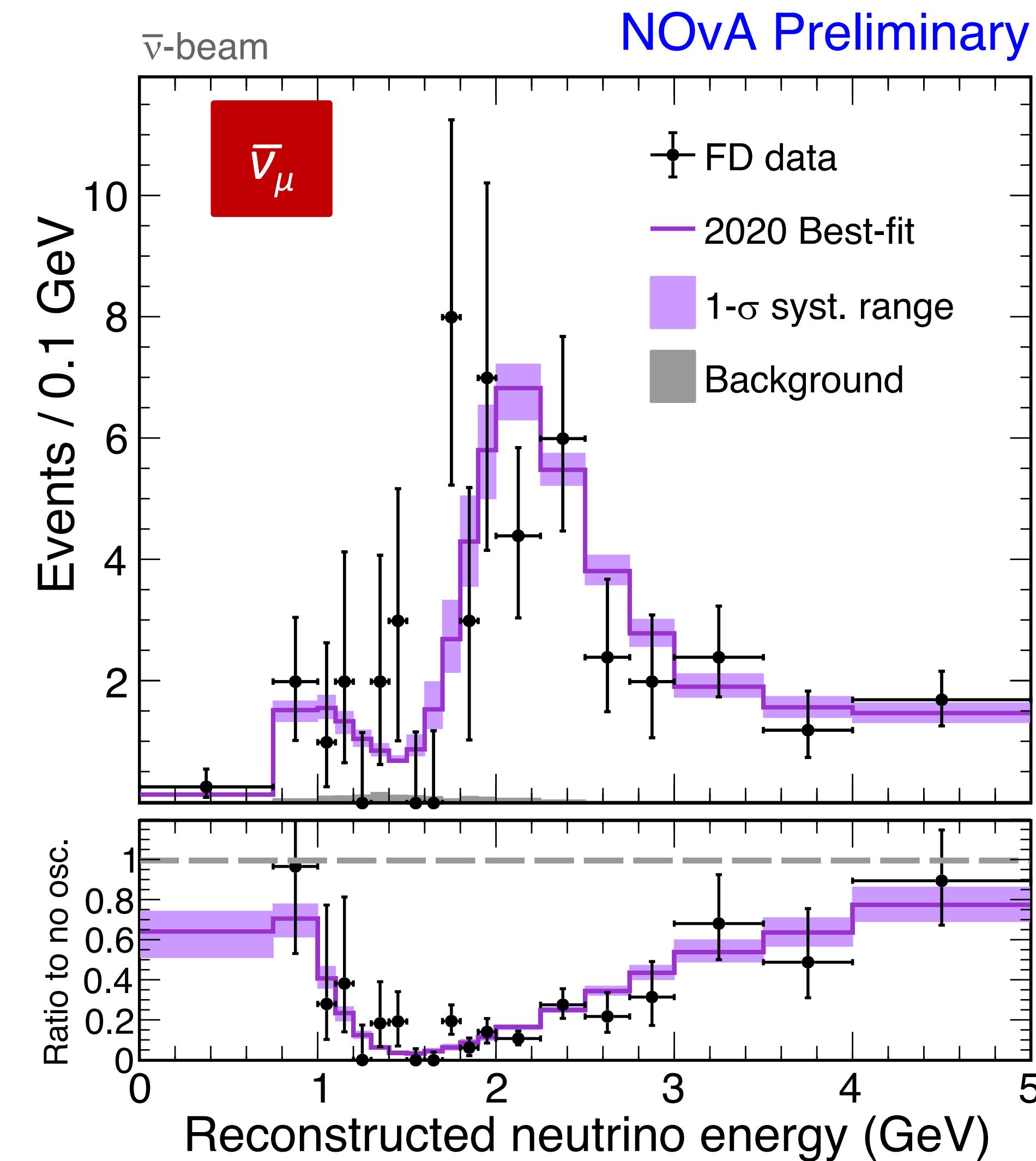


- Since NOvA has functionally similar Near and Far Detectors the flux combined with the cross sections uncertainties largely cancel.

ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ Data at the Far Detector



211 events, 8.2 background

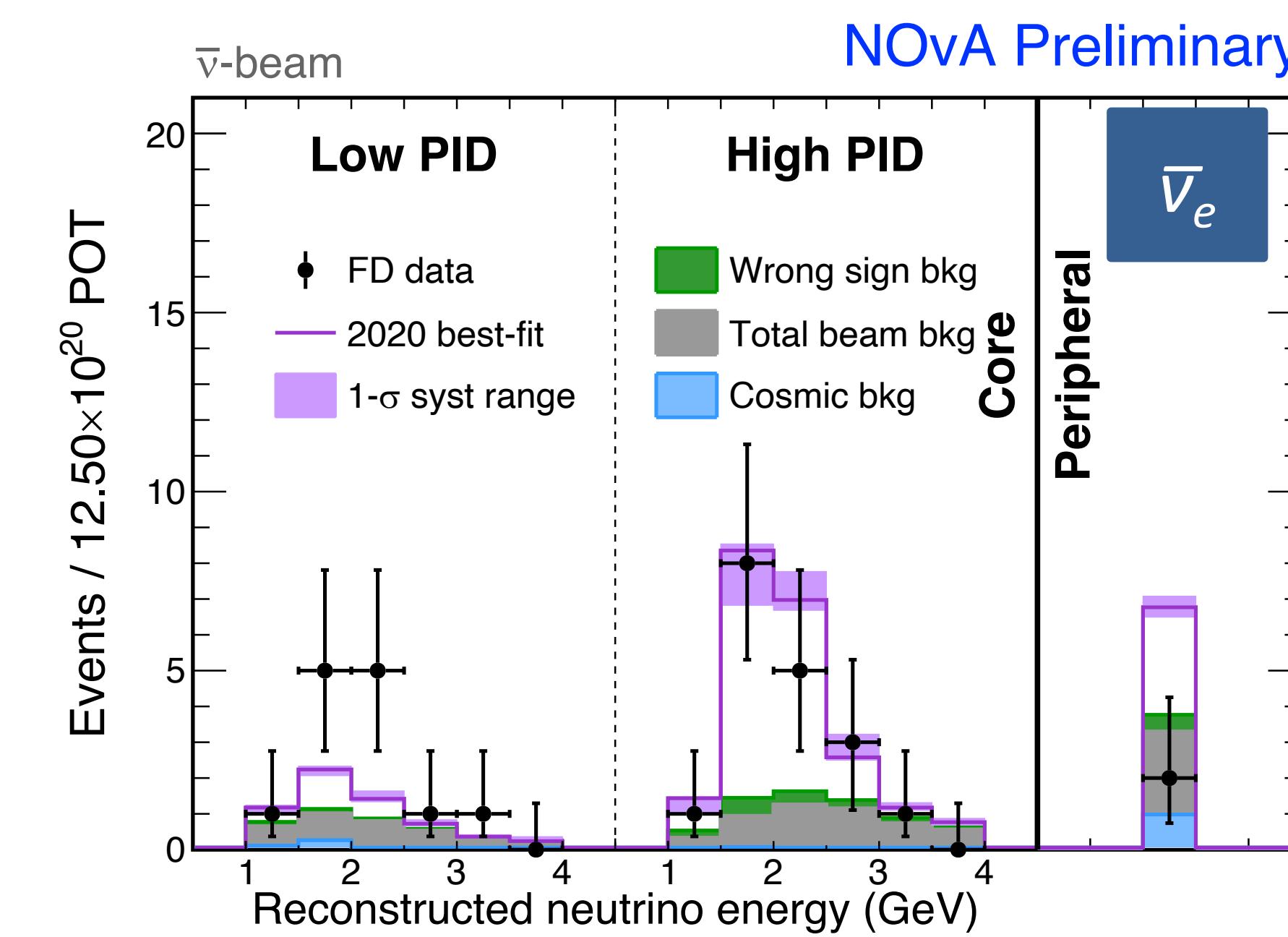
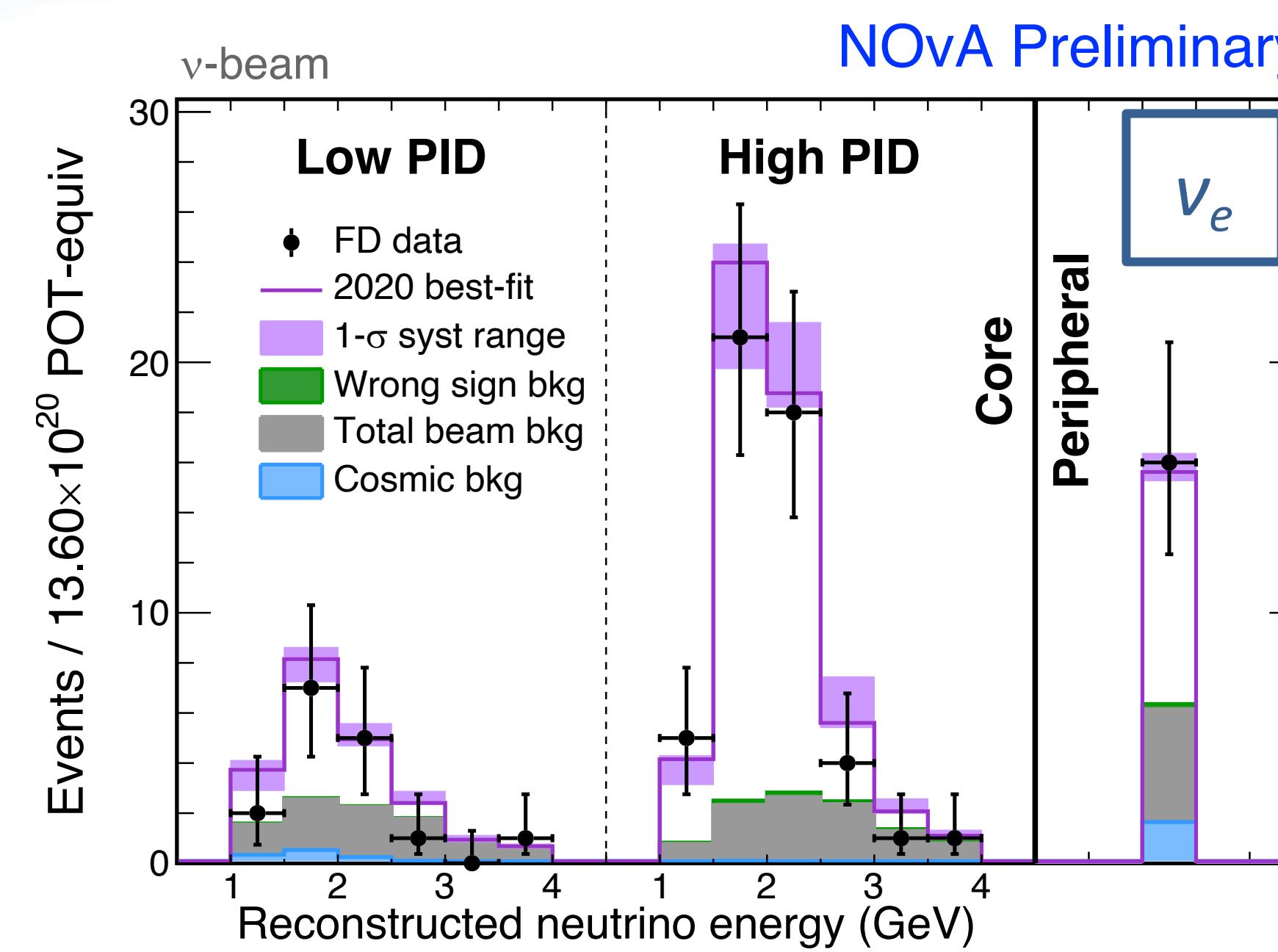


105 events, 2.1 background

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Neutrino 2020
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ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ Data at the Far Detector

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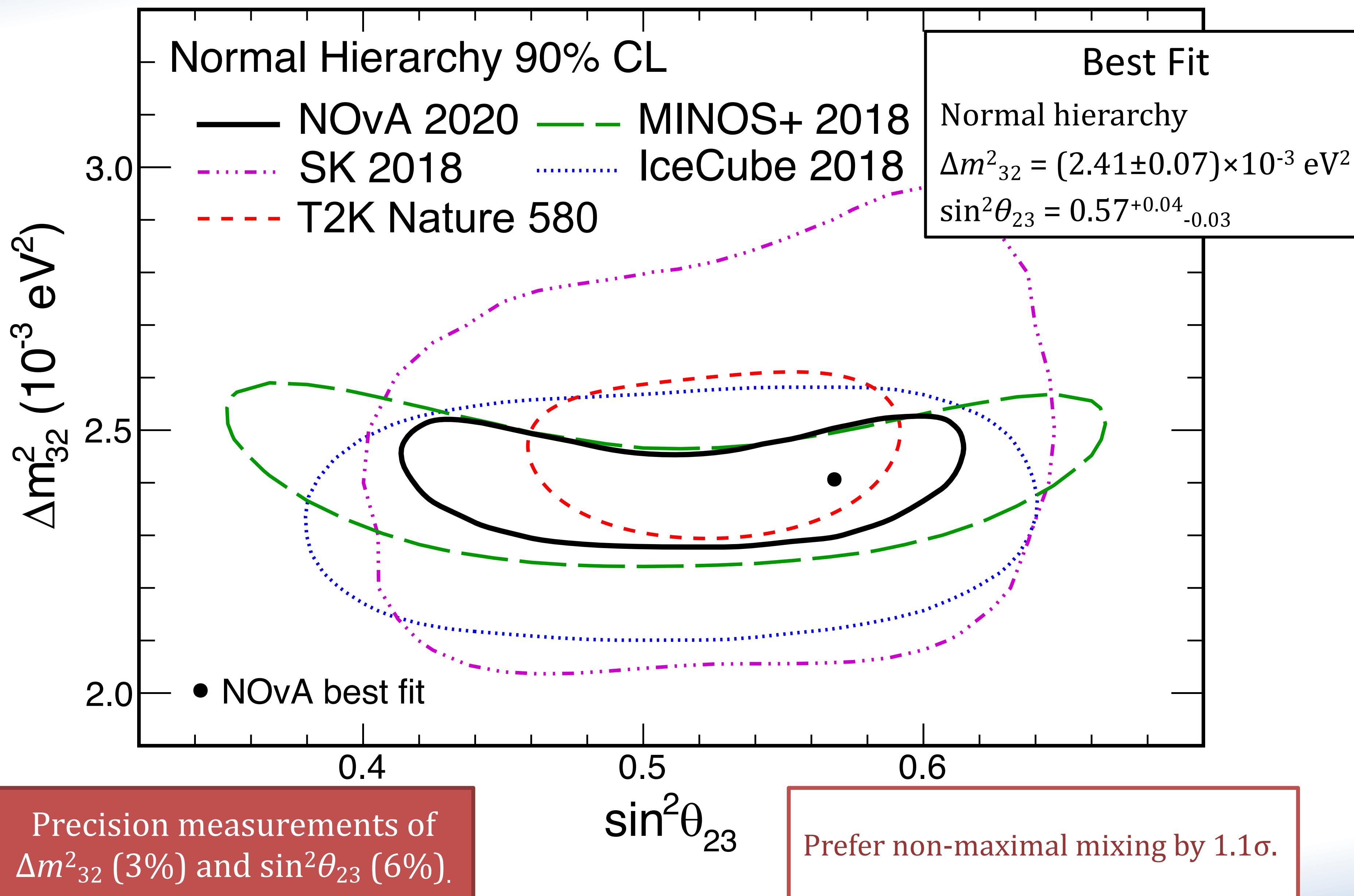


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Total Prediction	85.8	52-110
Wrong-sign	1.0	0.6-1.7
Beam Bkgd.	22.7	
Cosmic Bkgd.	3.1	
Total Bkgd.	26.8	26-28

Total Observed	33	Range
Total Prediction	33.2	25-45
Wrong-sign	2.3	1.0-3.2
Beam Bkgd.	10.2	
Cosmic Bkgd.	1.6	
Total Bkgd.	14.0	13-15

>4 σ evidence of $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance

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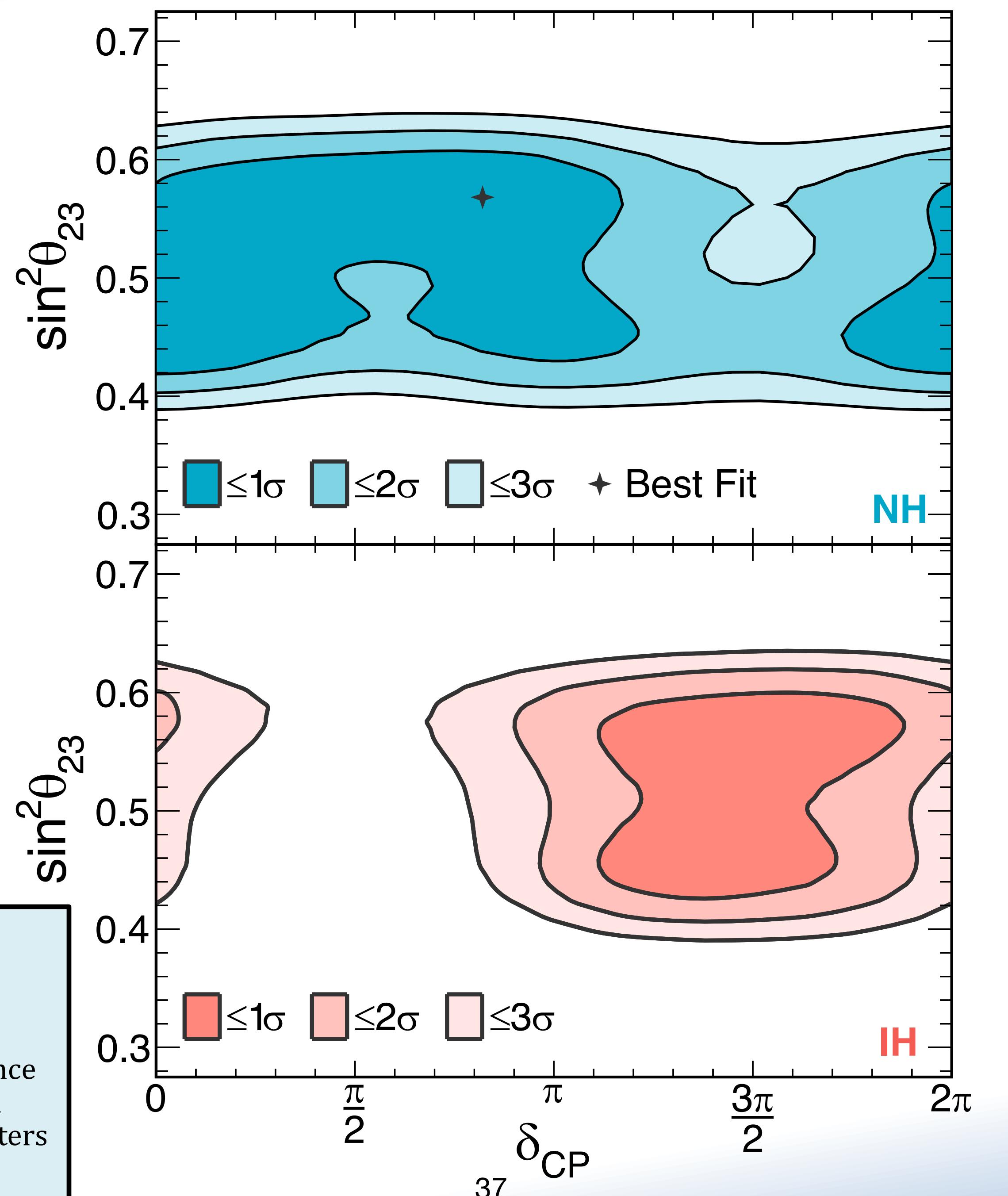
Best Fit

Normal hierarchy

$$\Delta m^2_{32} = (2.41 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

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$$\delta = 0.82\pi$$



Posters

83. Long-baseline neutrino oscillation results from NOvA

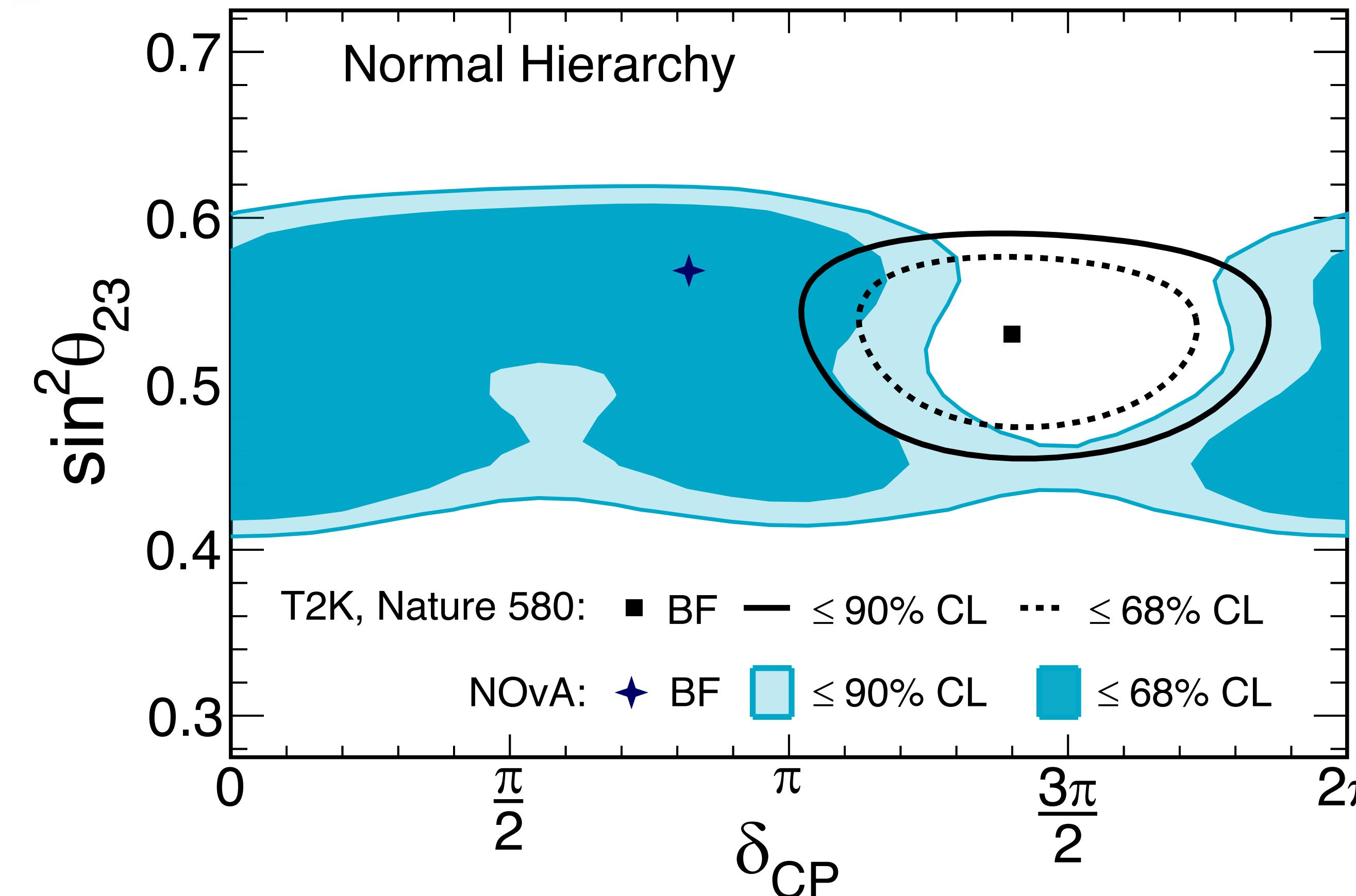
– Liudmila Kolupaeva & Karl Warburton

262. Accelerating Calculation of Confidence Intervals for NOvA's Neutrino Oscillation Parameter Estimation with Supercomputers

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Twitter controversies

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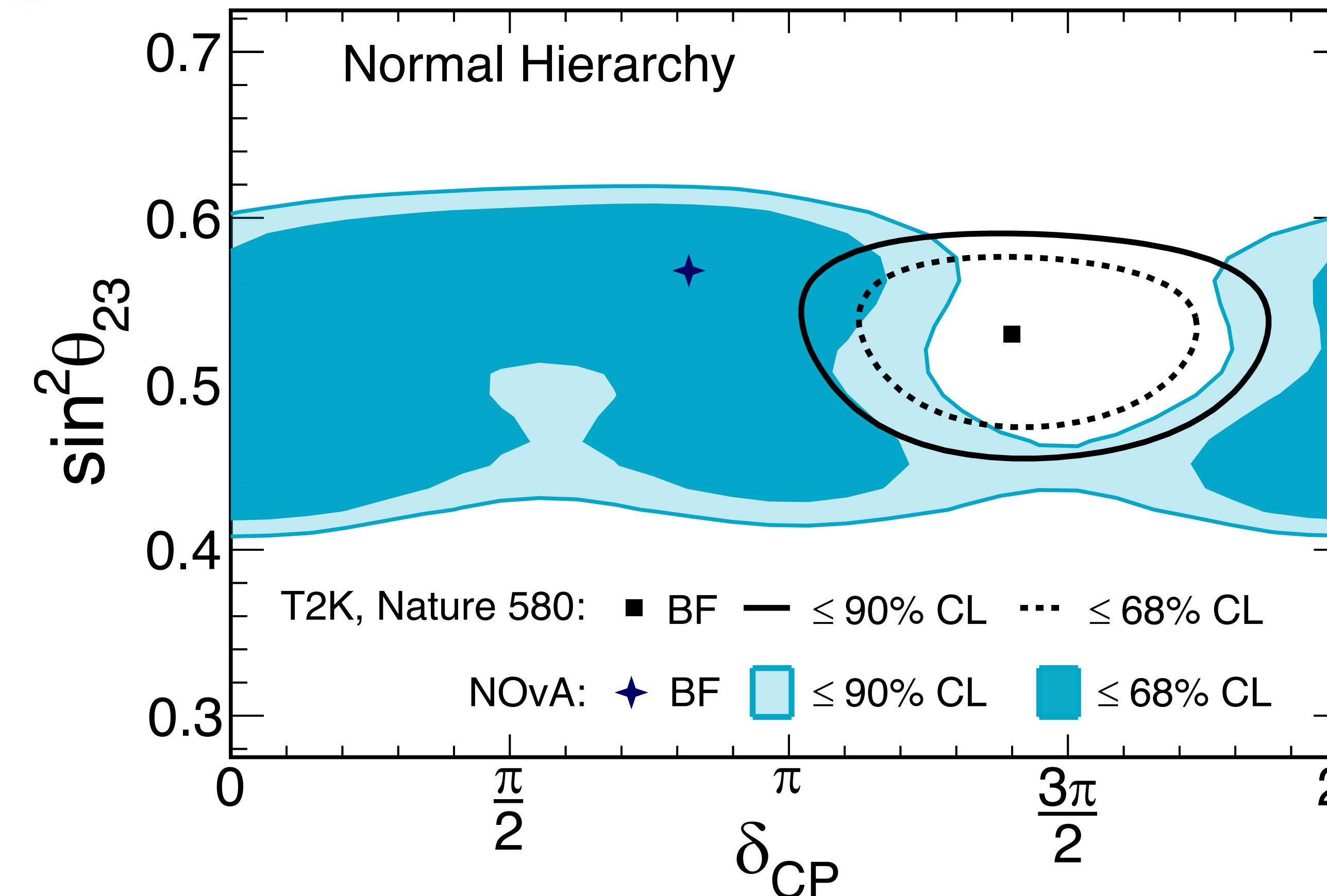


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Dr. Claire Lee 🏳️🌈 in 🇿🇦

@Claire_Lee

So the latest results from @tokai2kamioka and @novaexperiment are in tension! Who are you rooting for? Discuss your selection in the comments 😊

T2K 46.9%

NOvA ✅ 53.1%

96 votes · Final results

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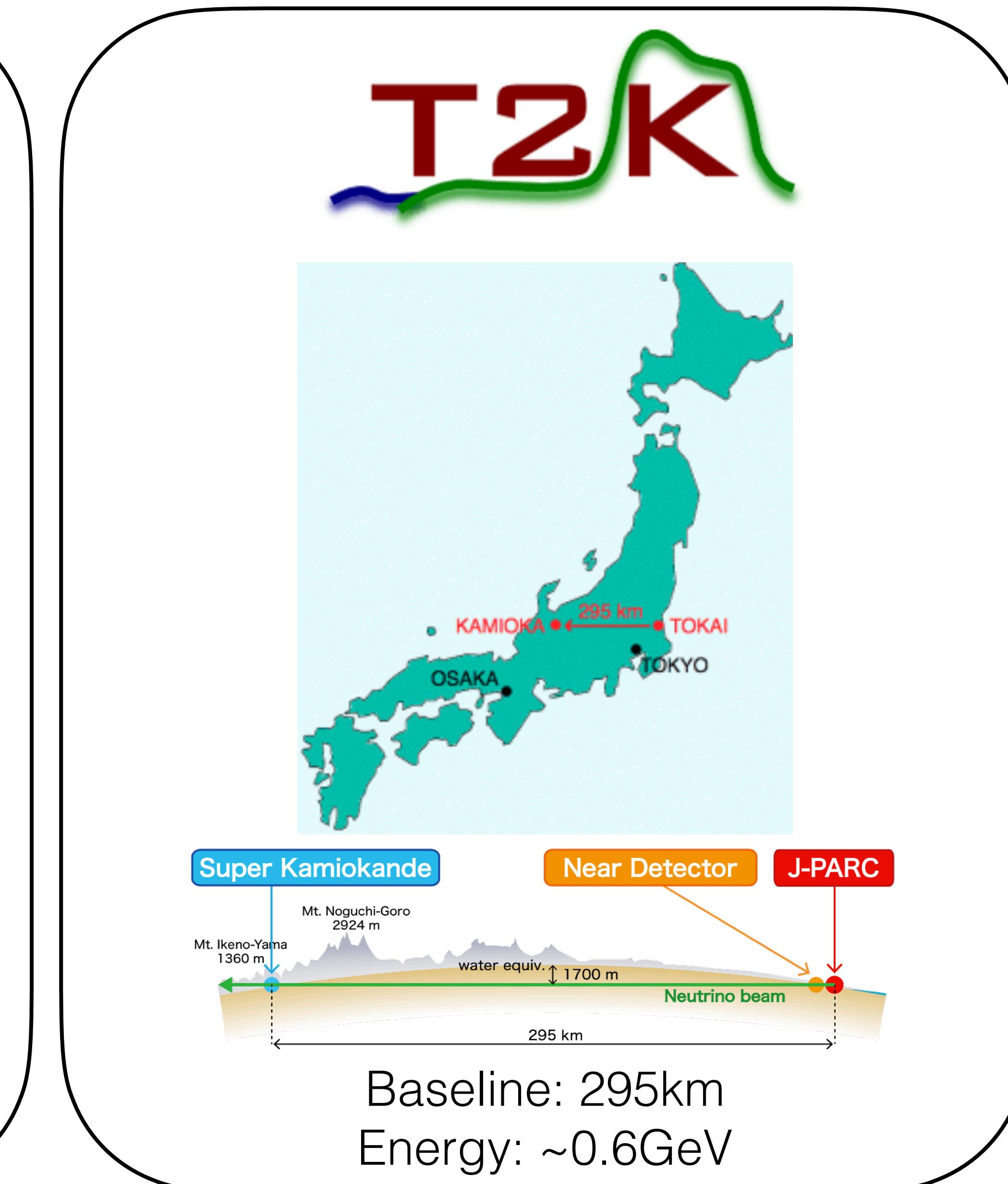
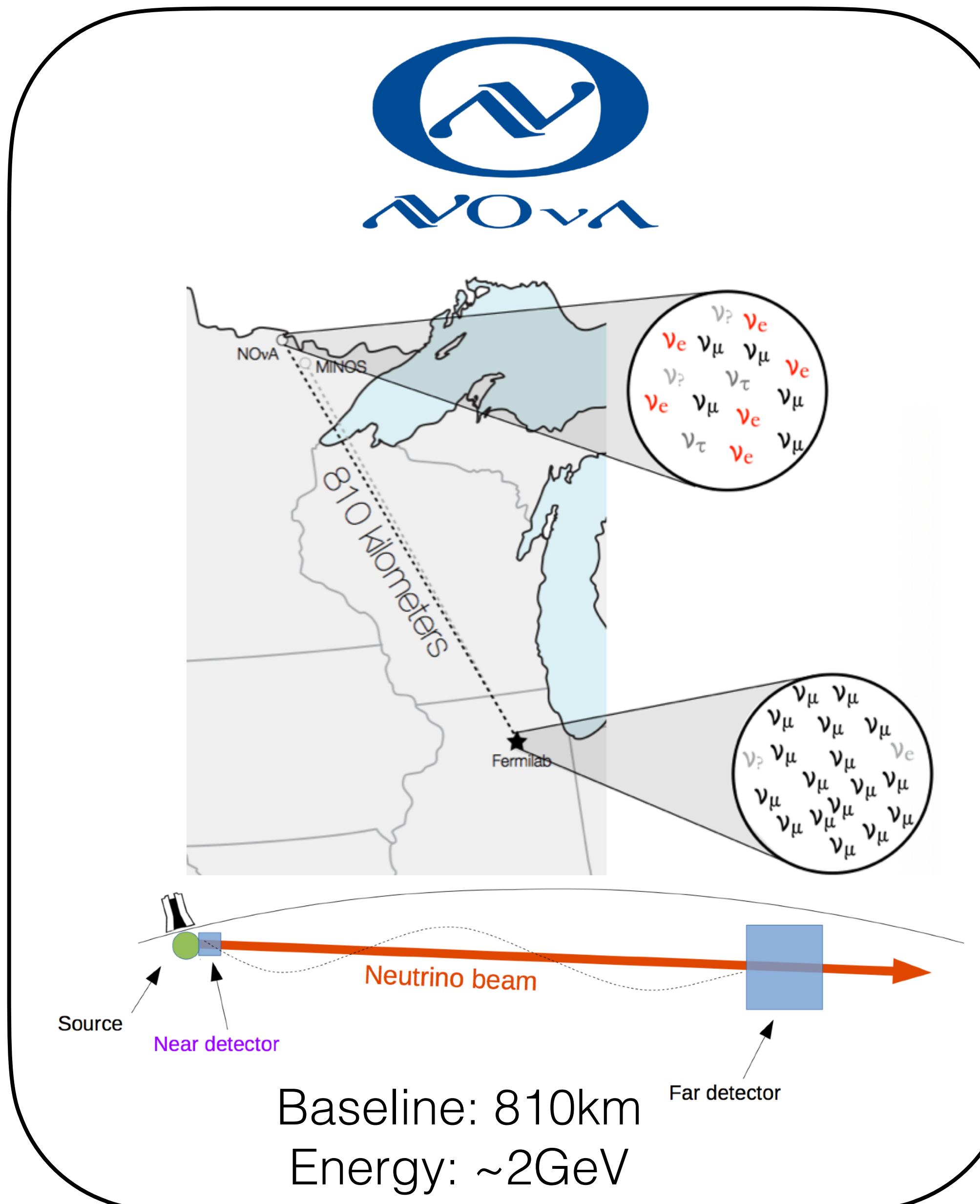
NOvA Experiment @novaexperiment

Replying to @Claire_Lee and @Tokai2Kamioka

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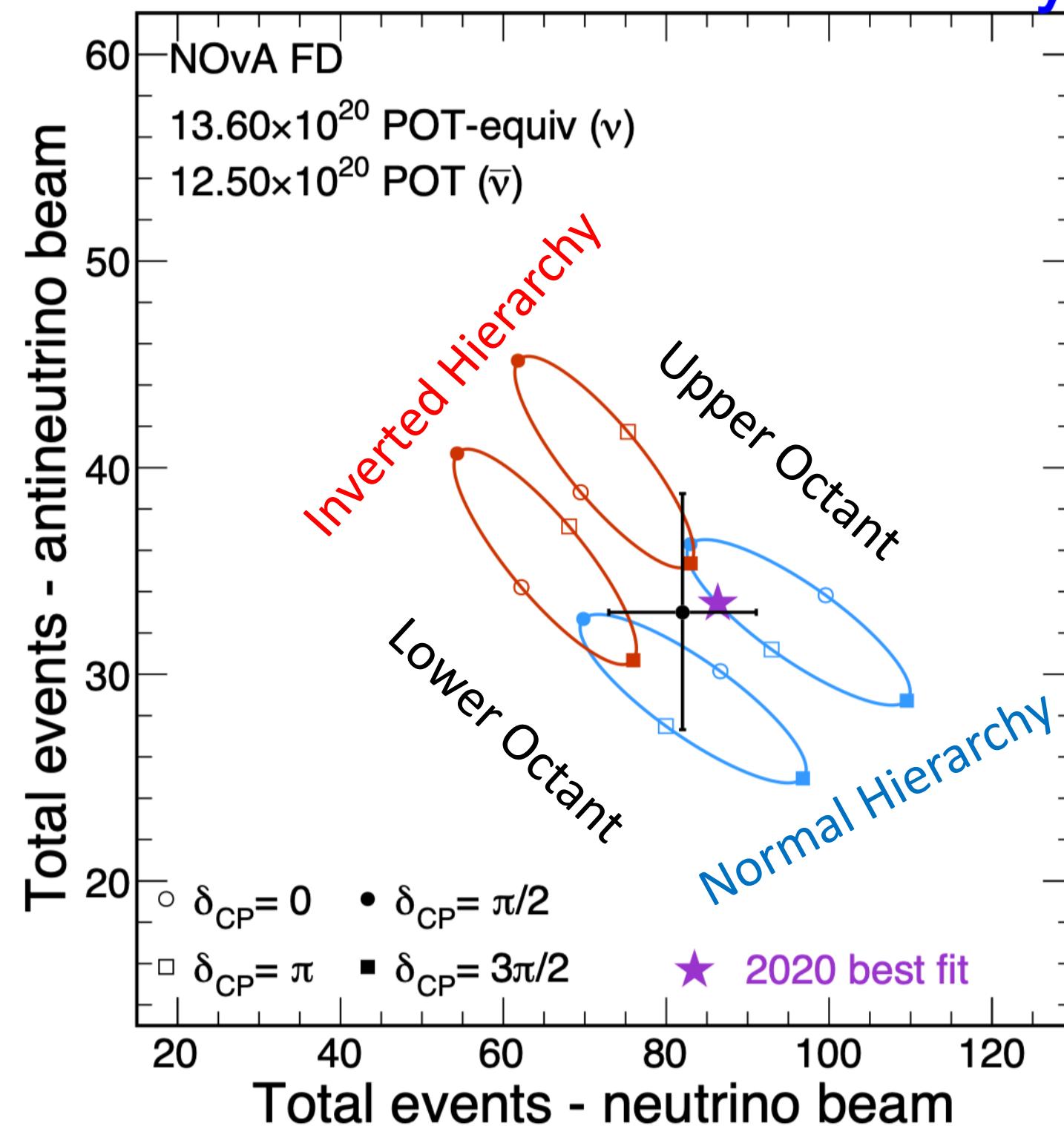
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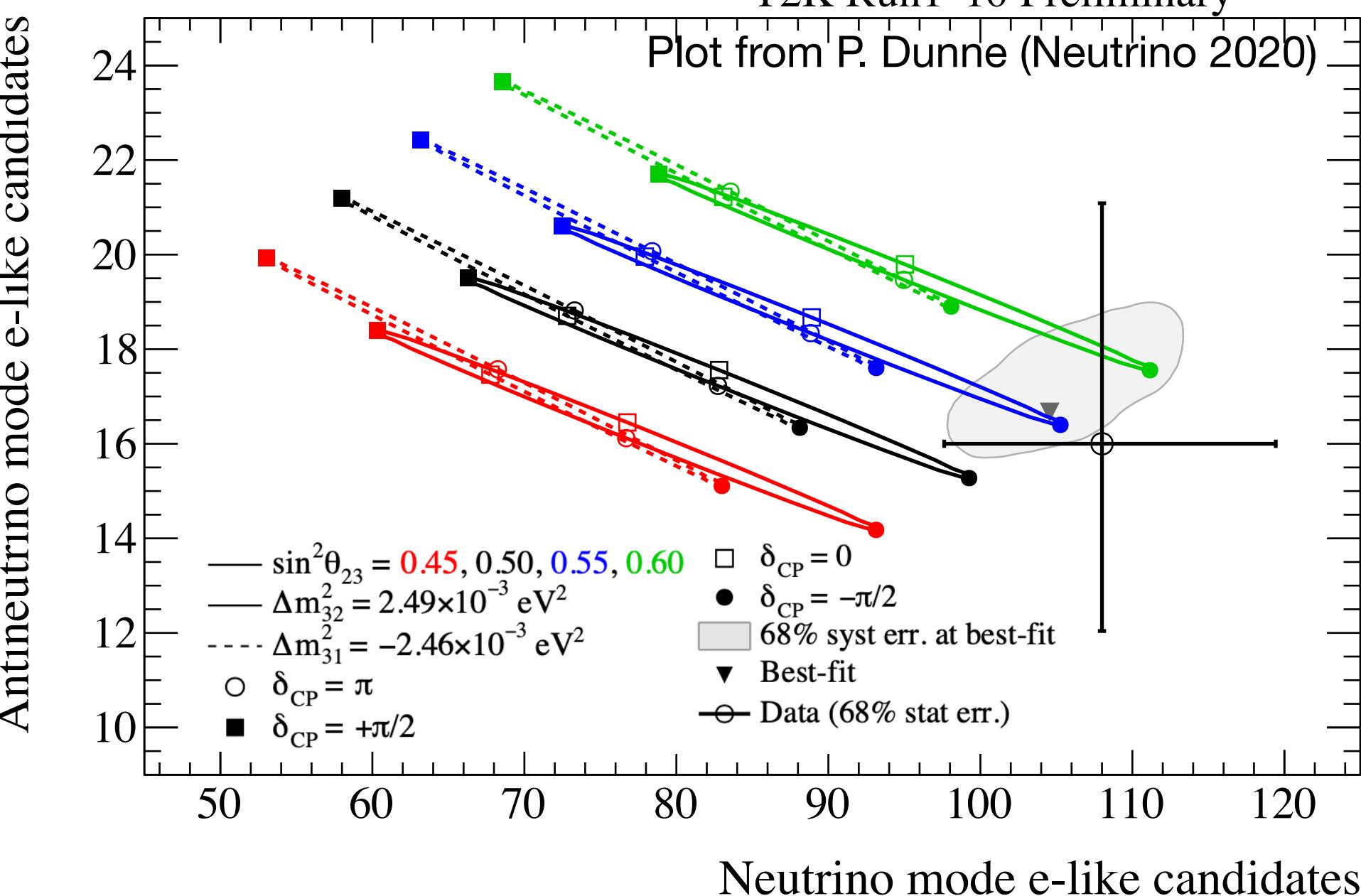
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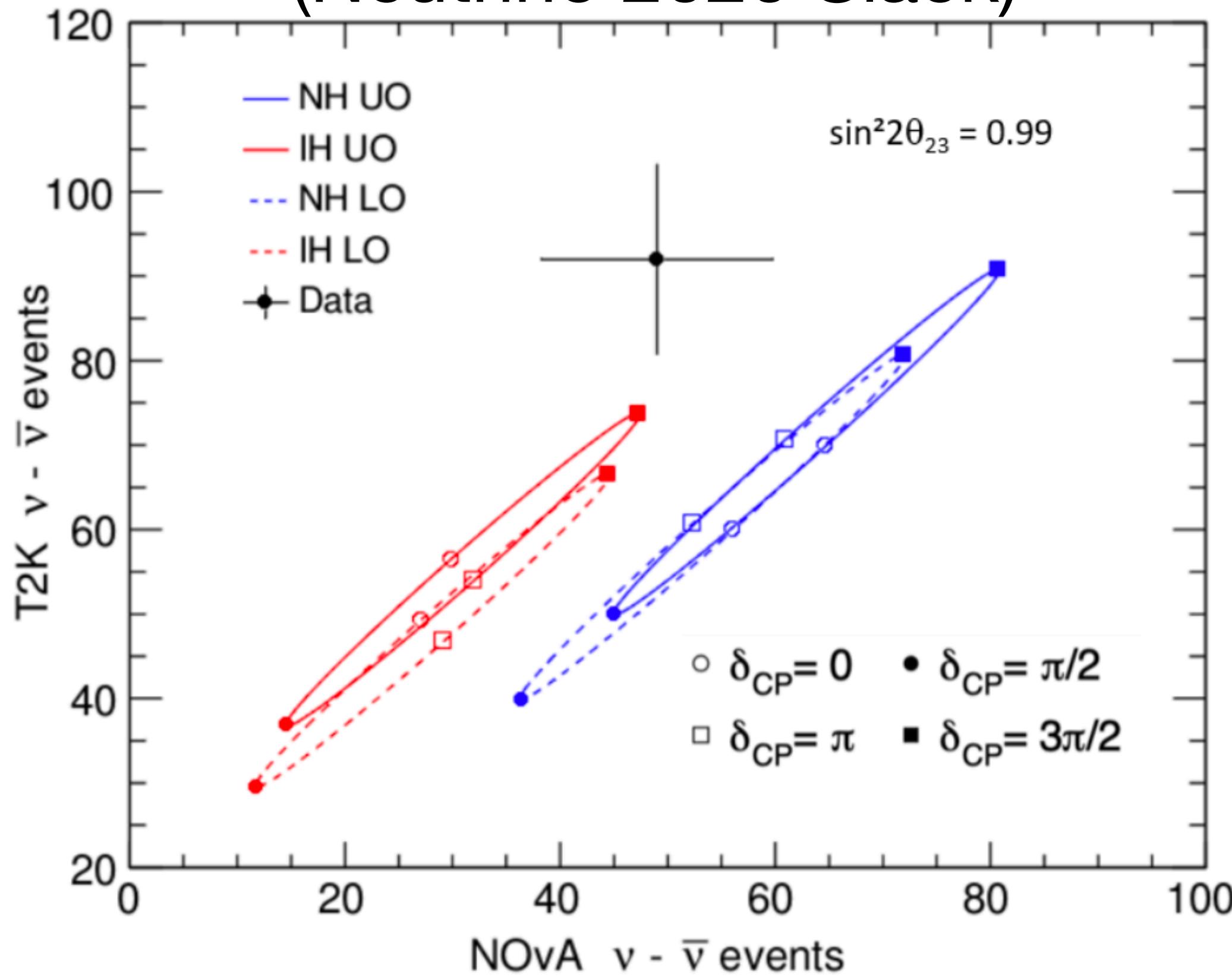


T2K Run1–10 Preliminary
Plot from P. Dunne (Neutrino 2020)



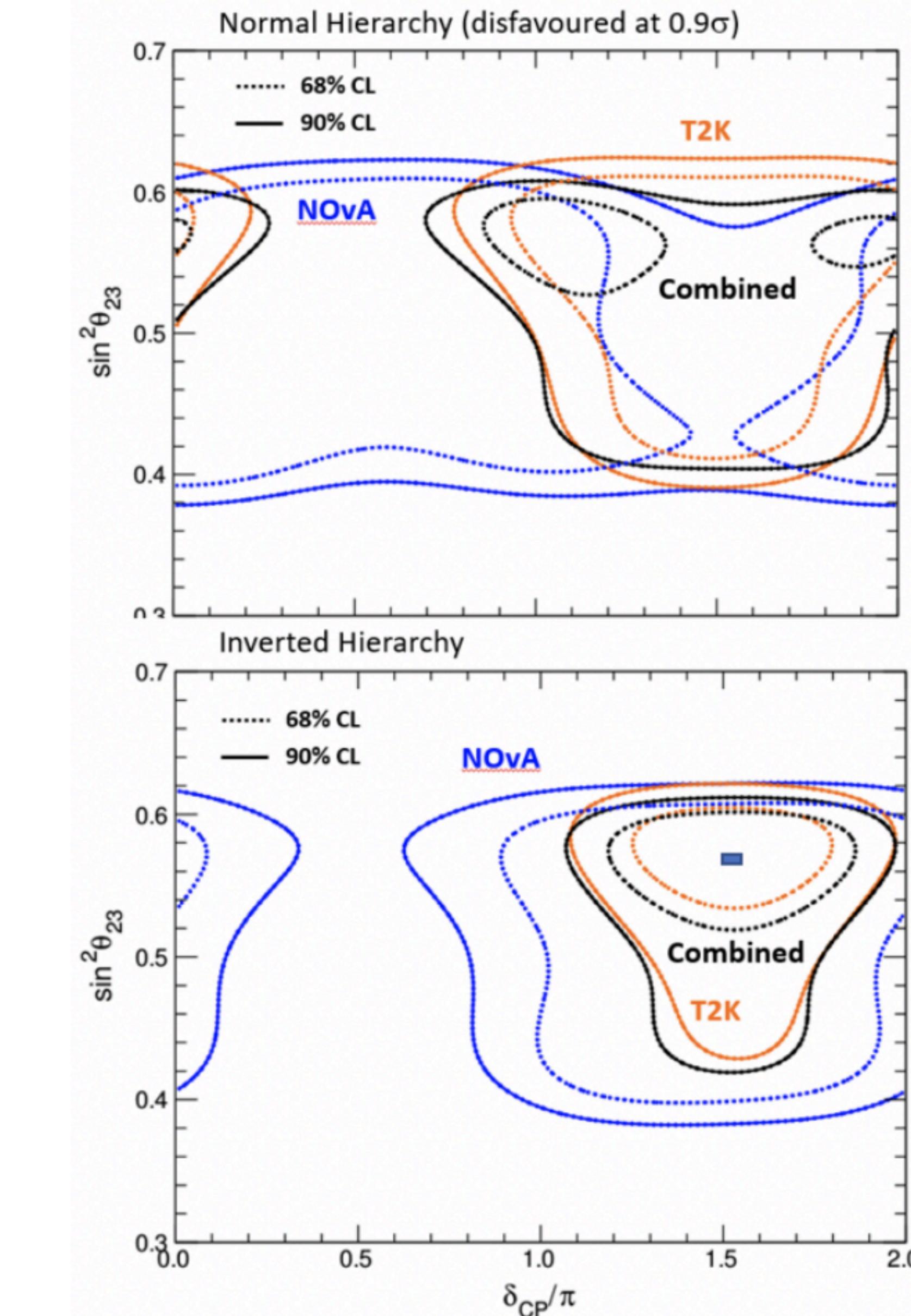
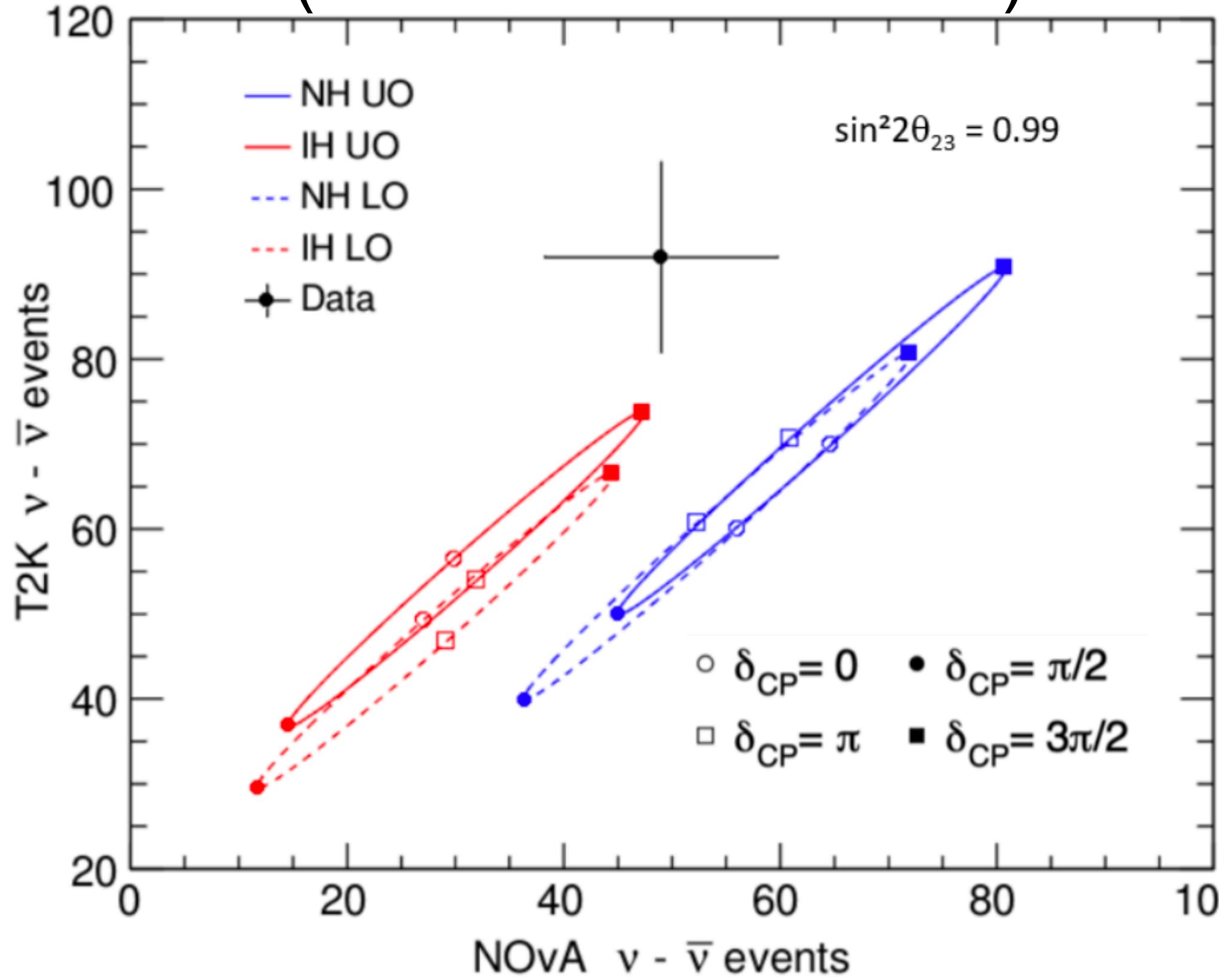
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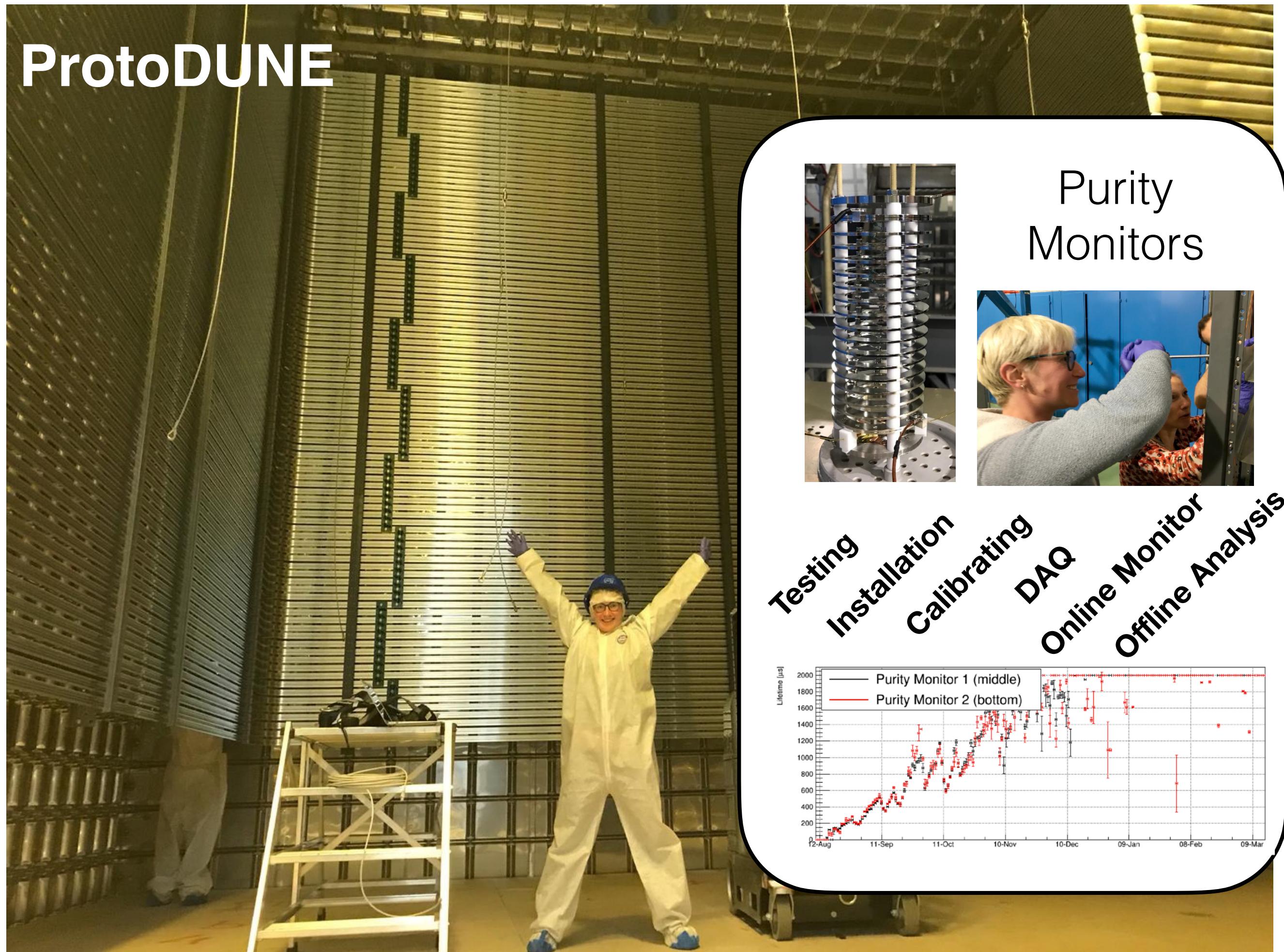
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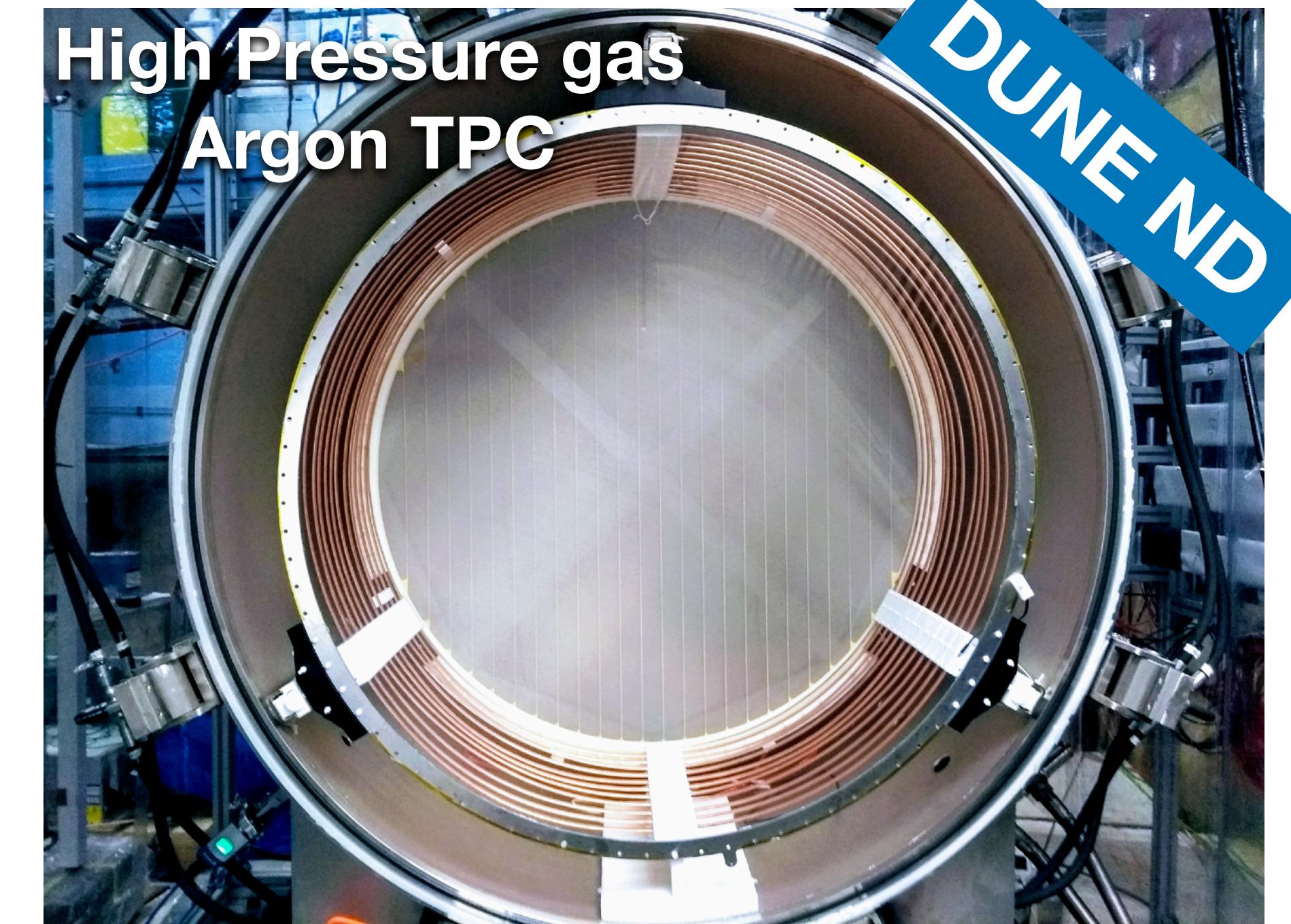
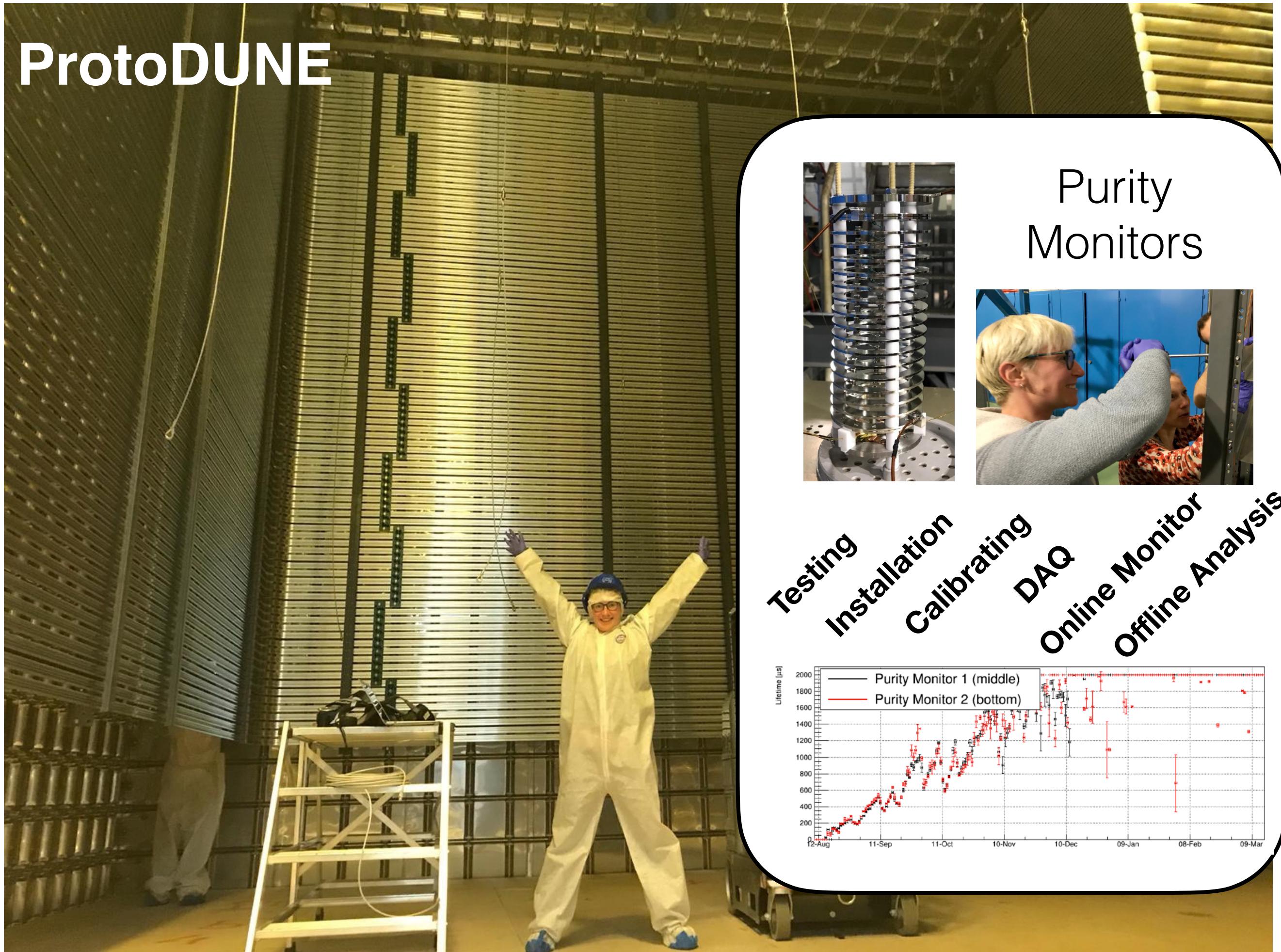


Toy MC
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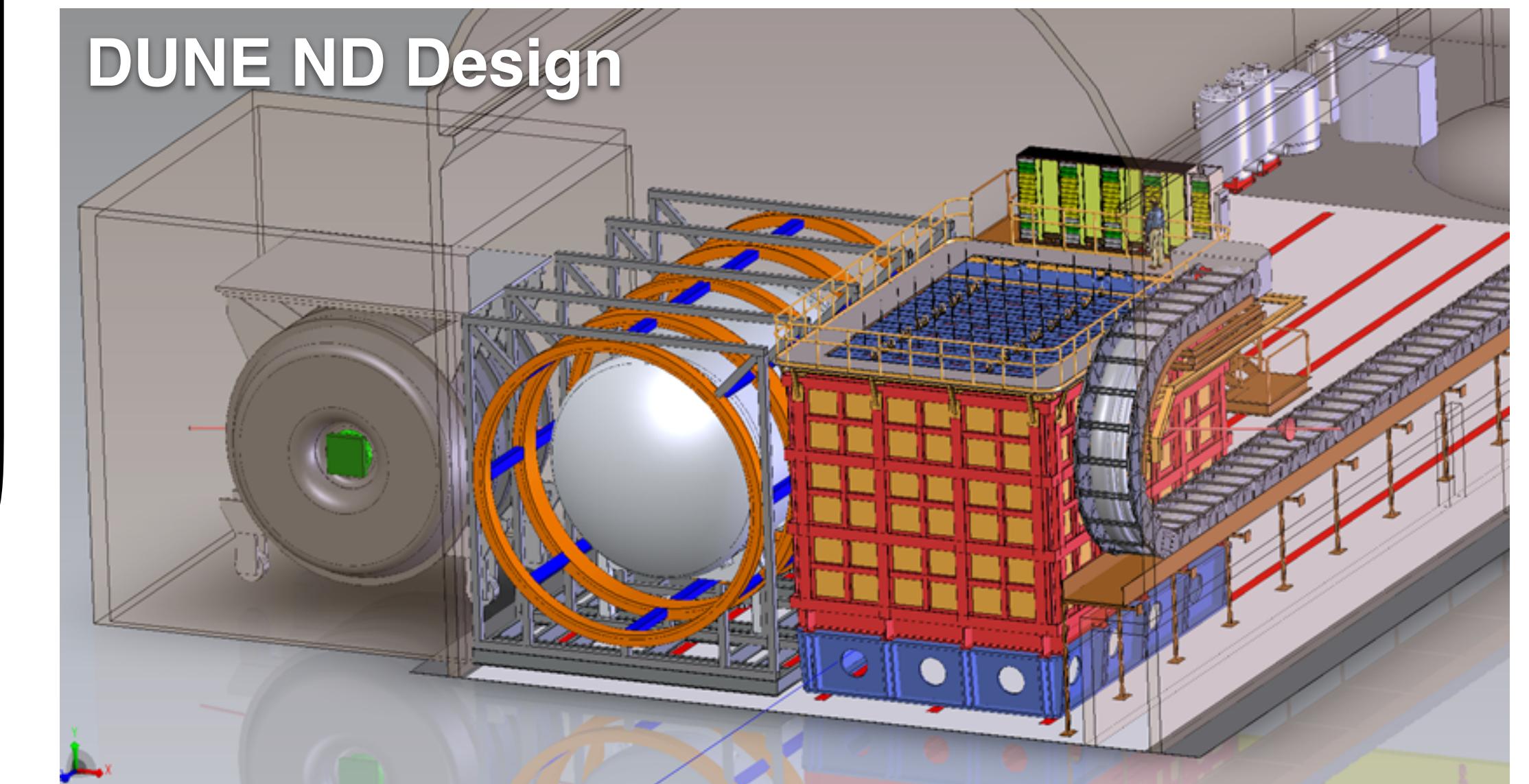
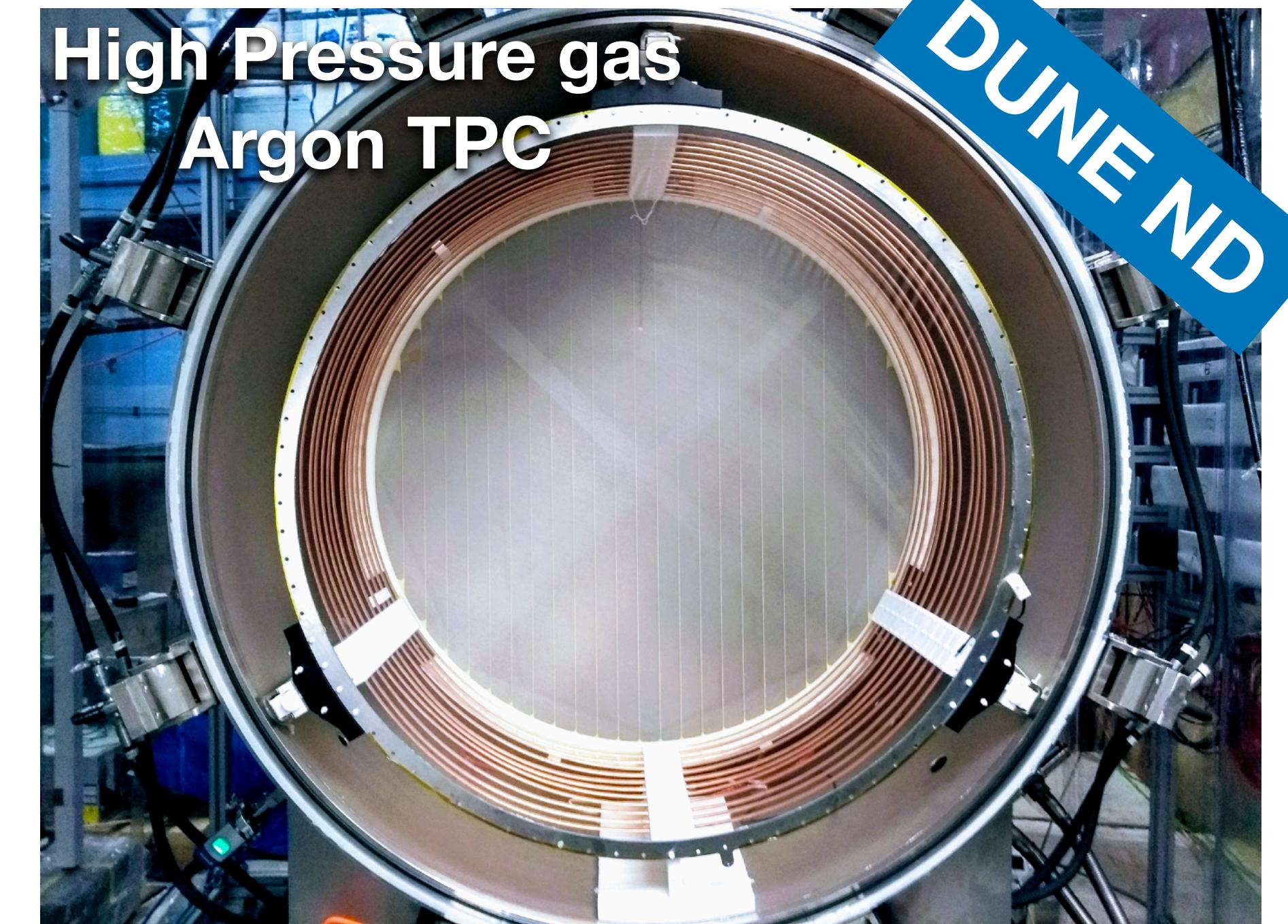
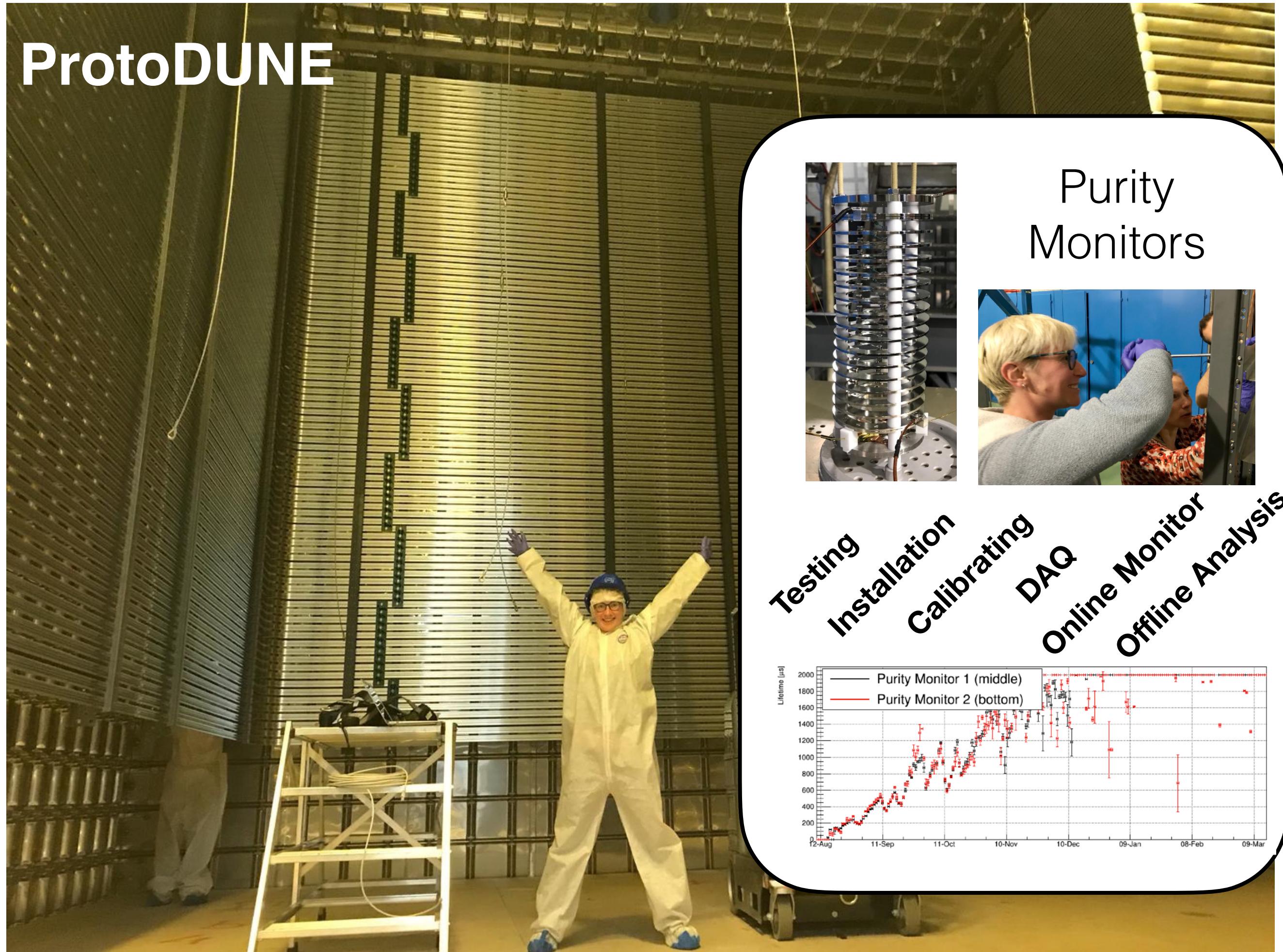
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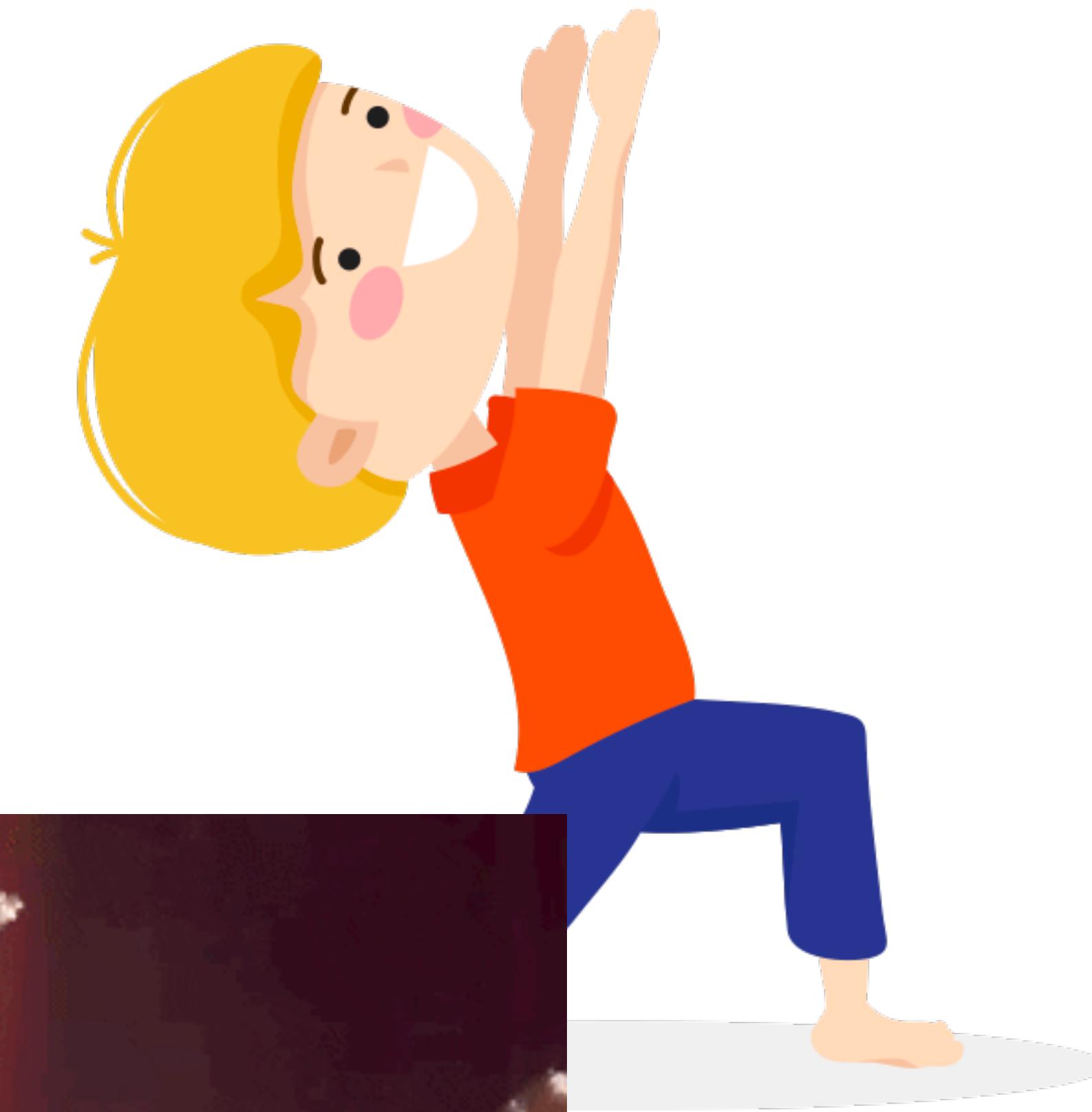
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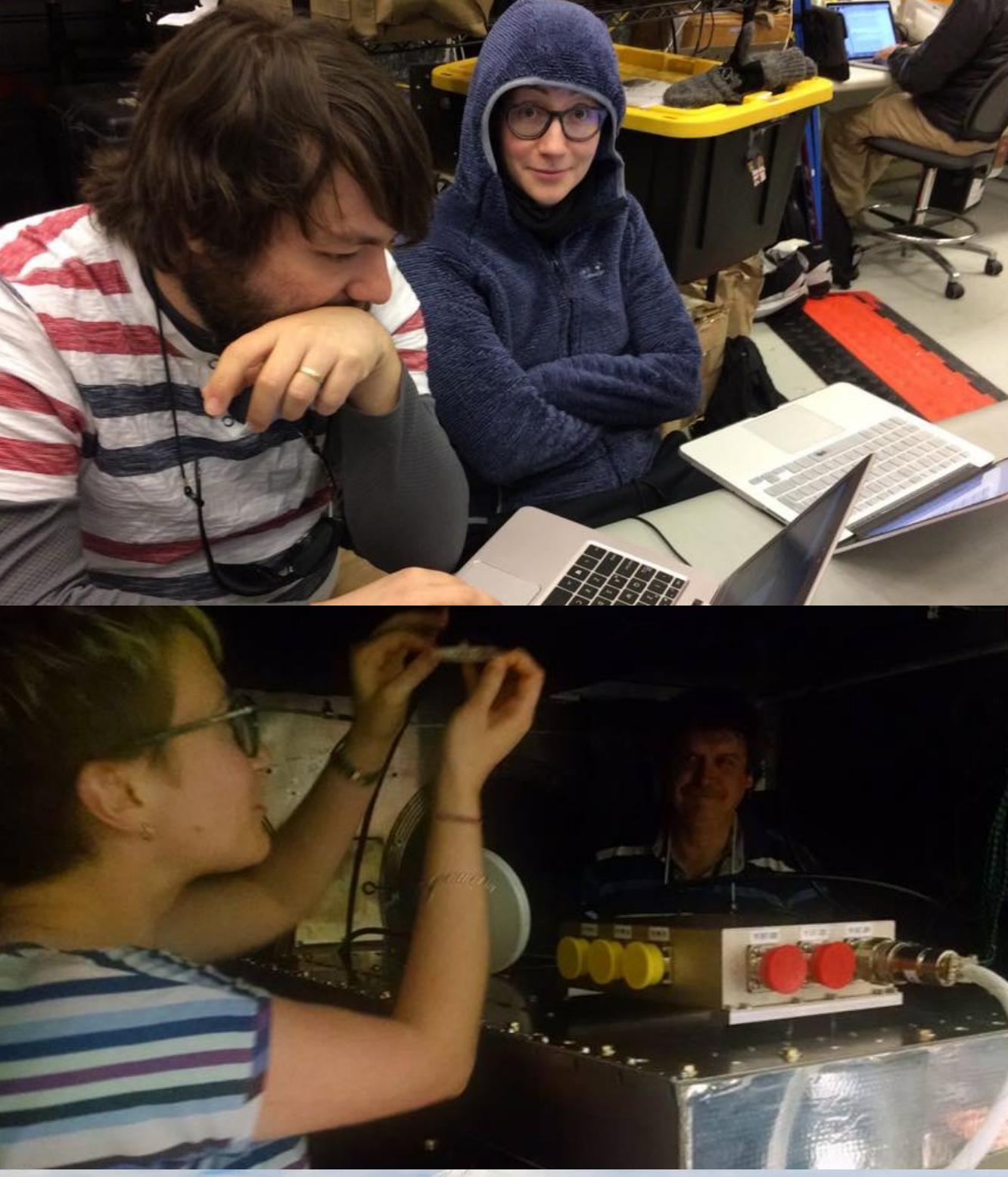


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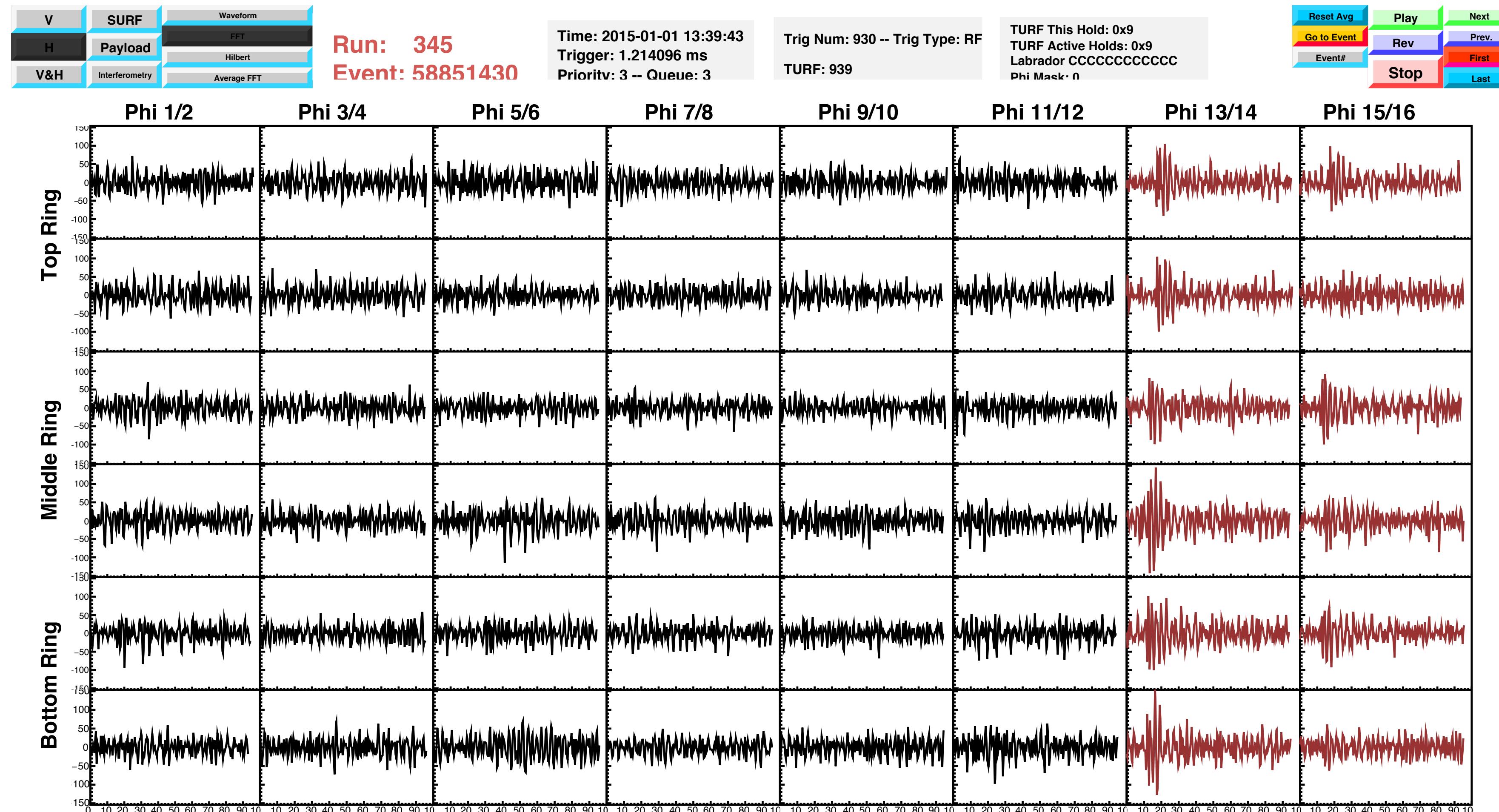




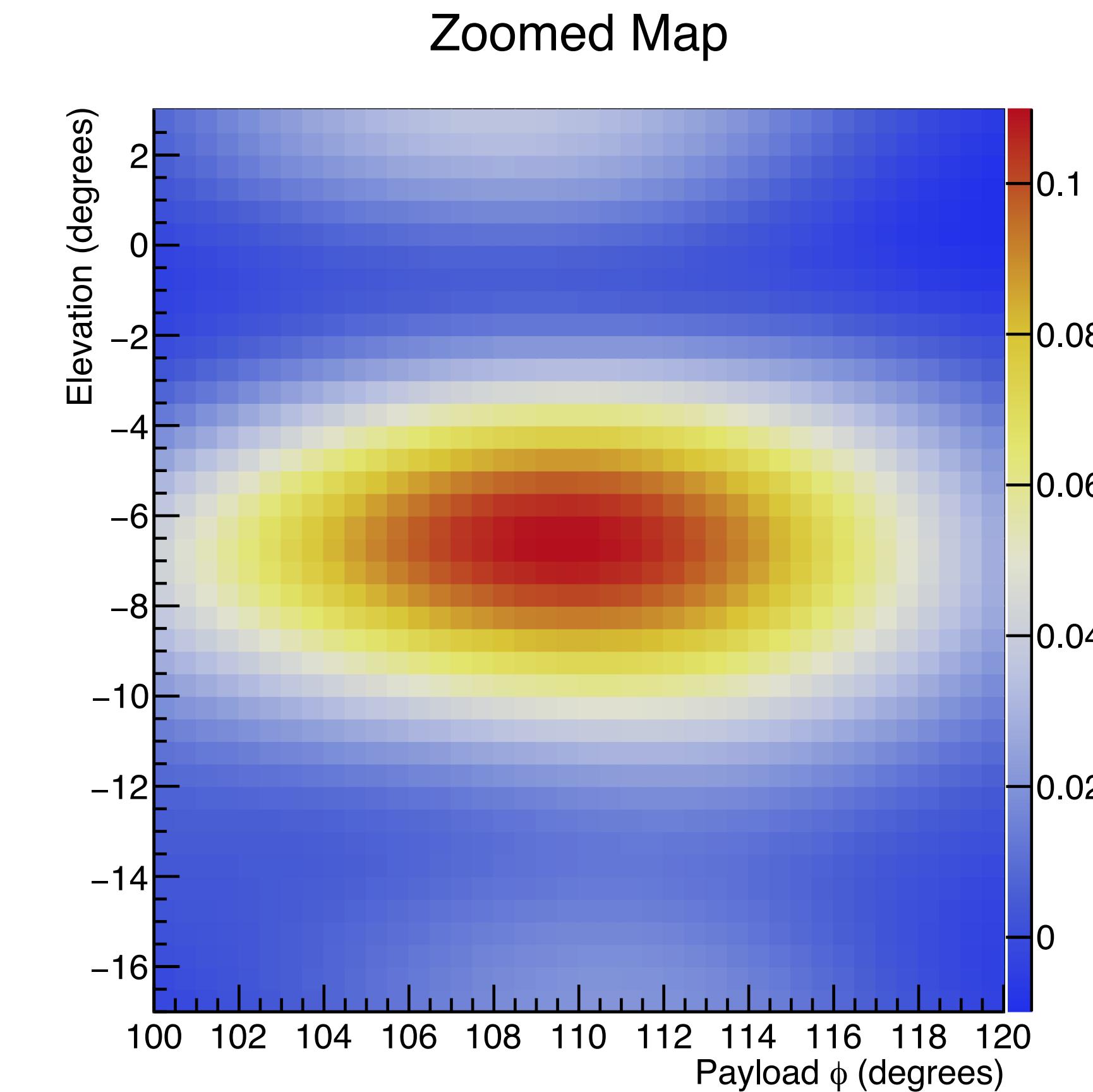
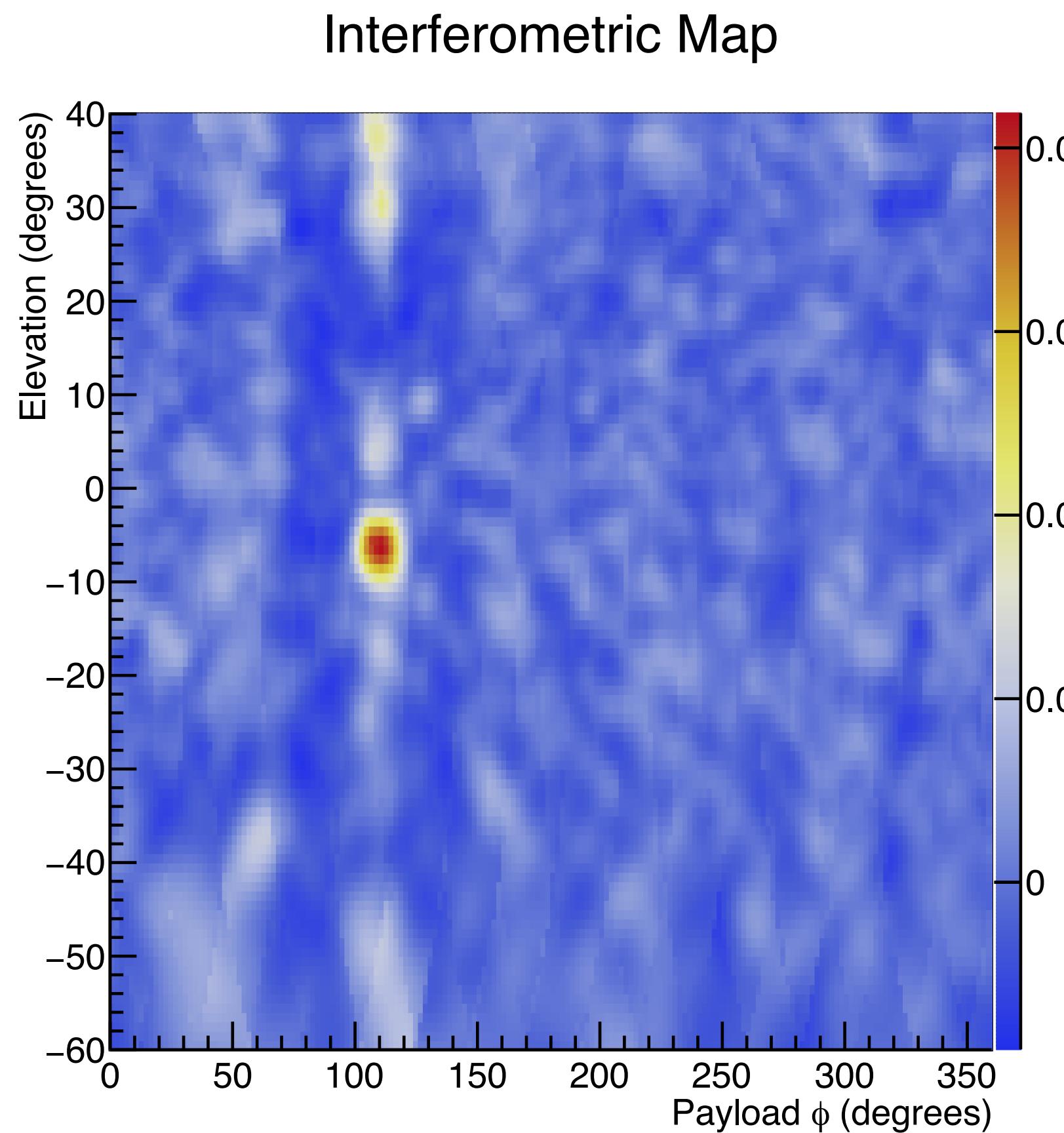
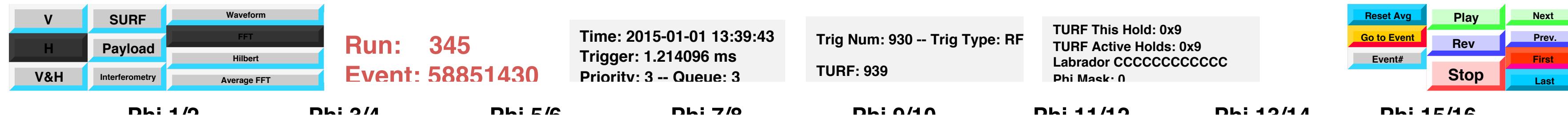
Thank you!

Back up slides

How ANITA sees the world

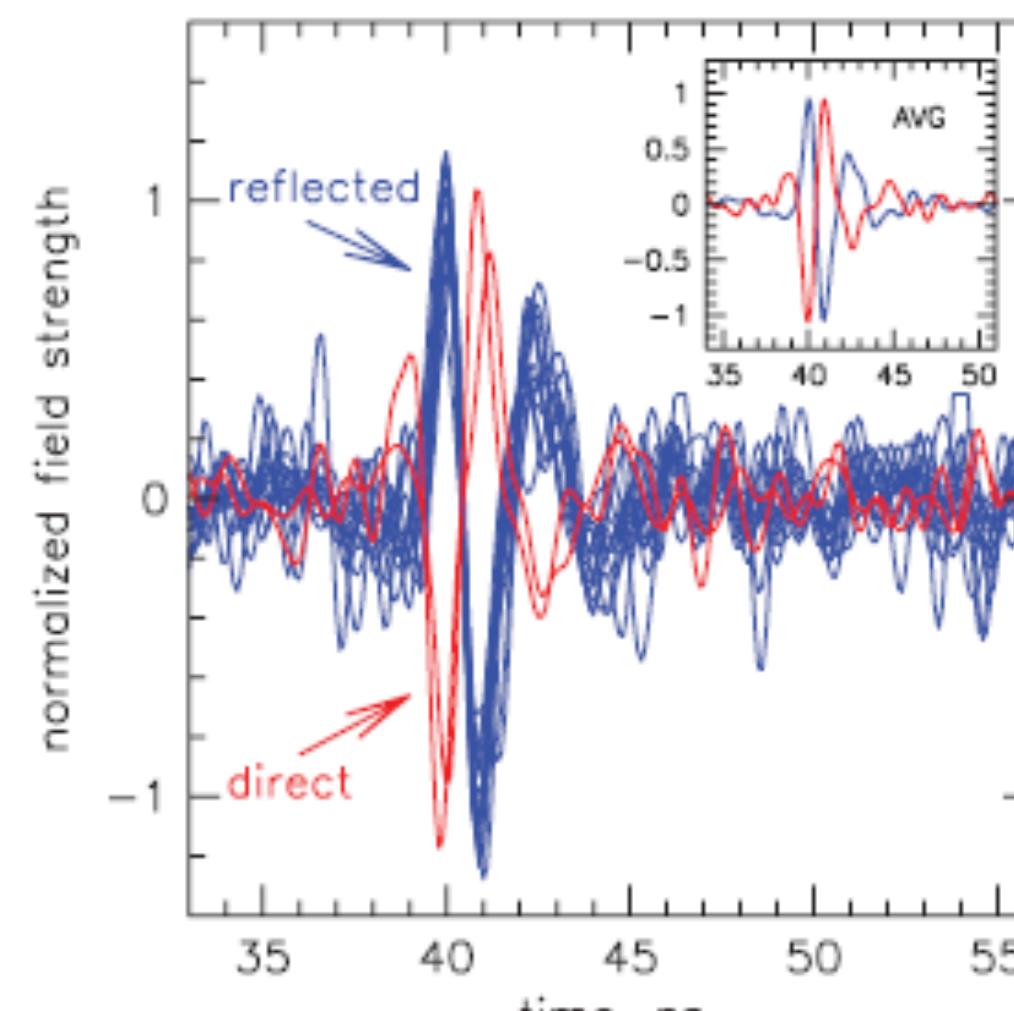
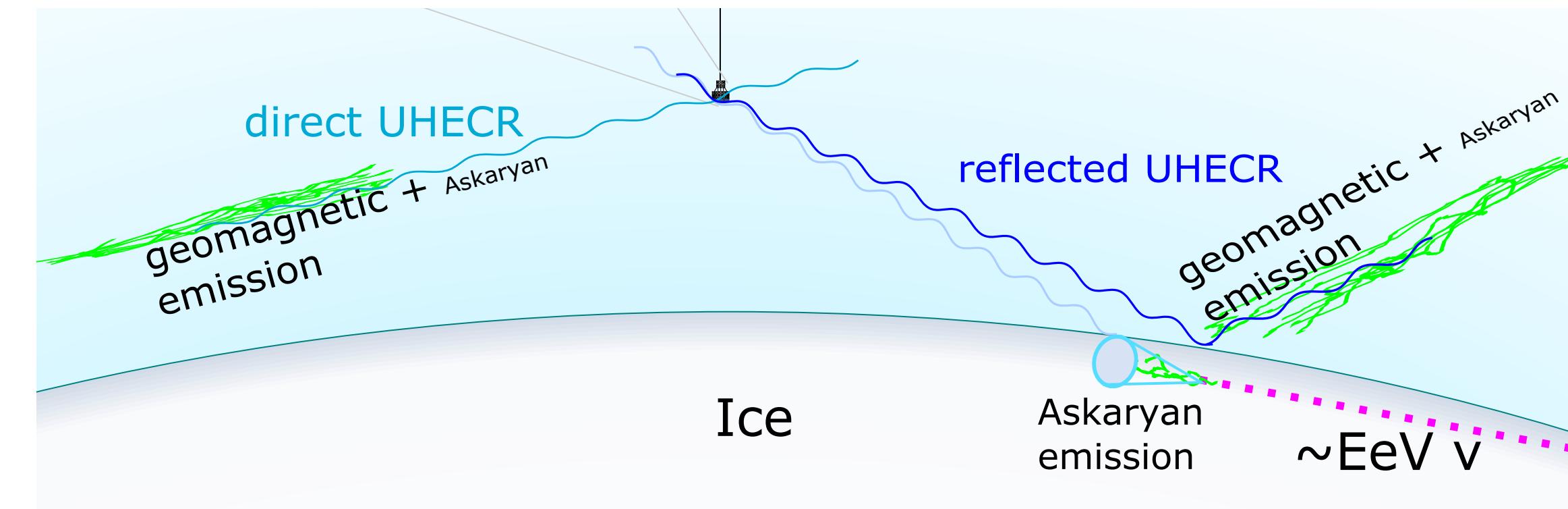


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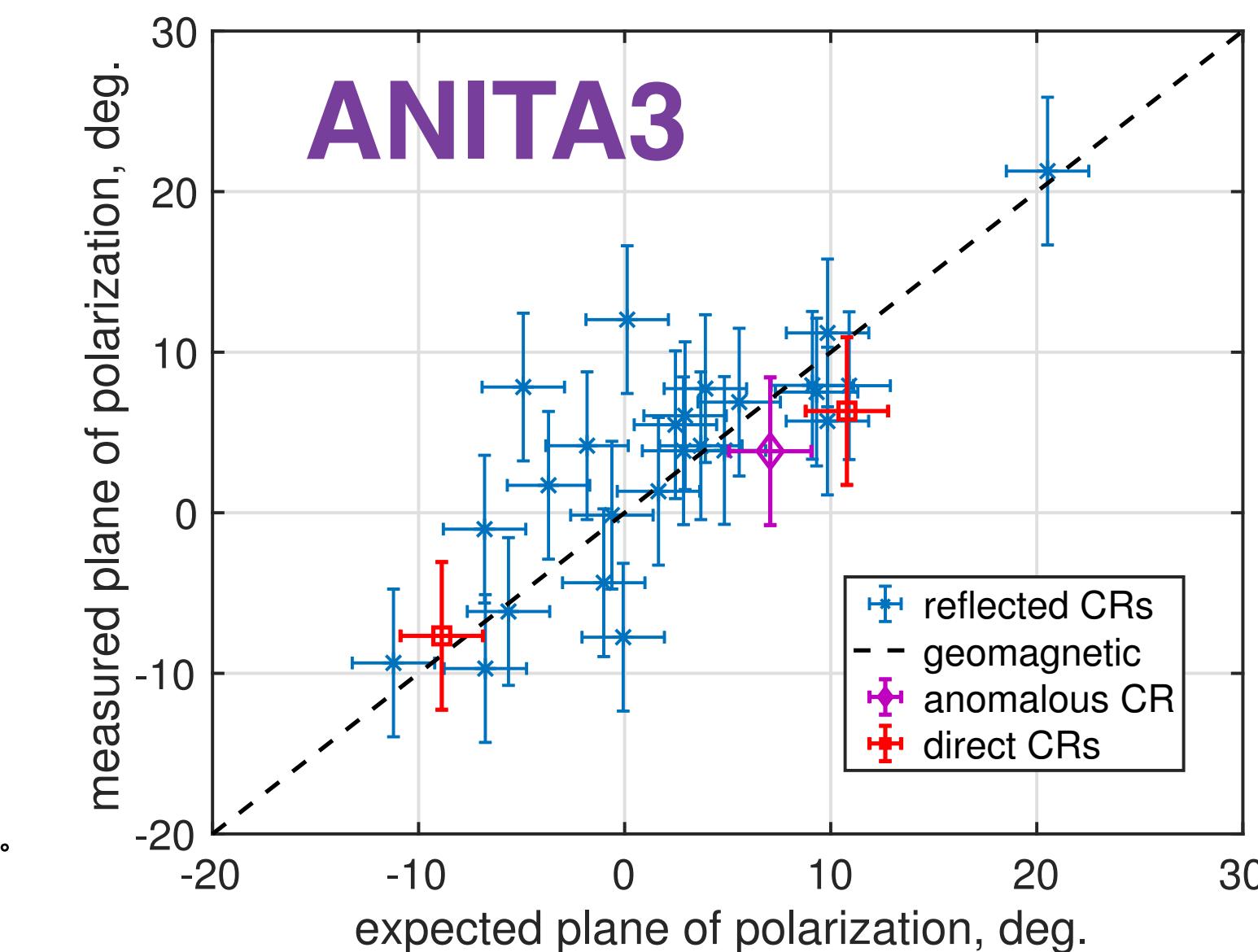
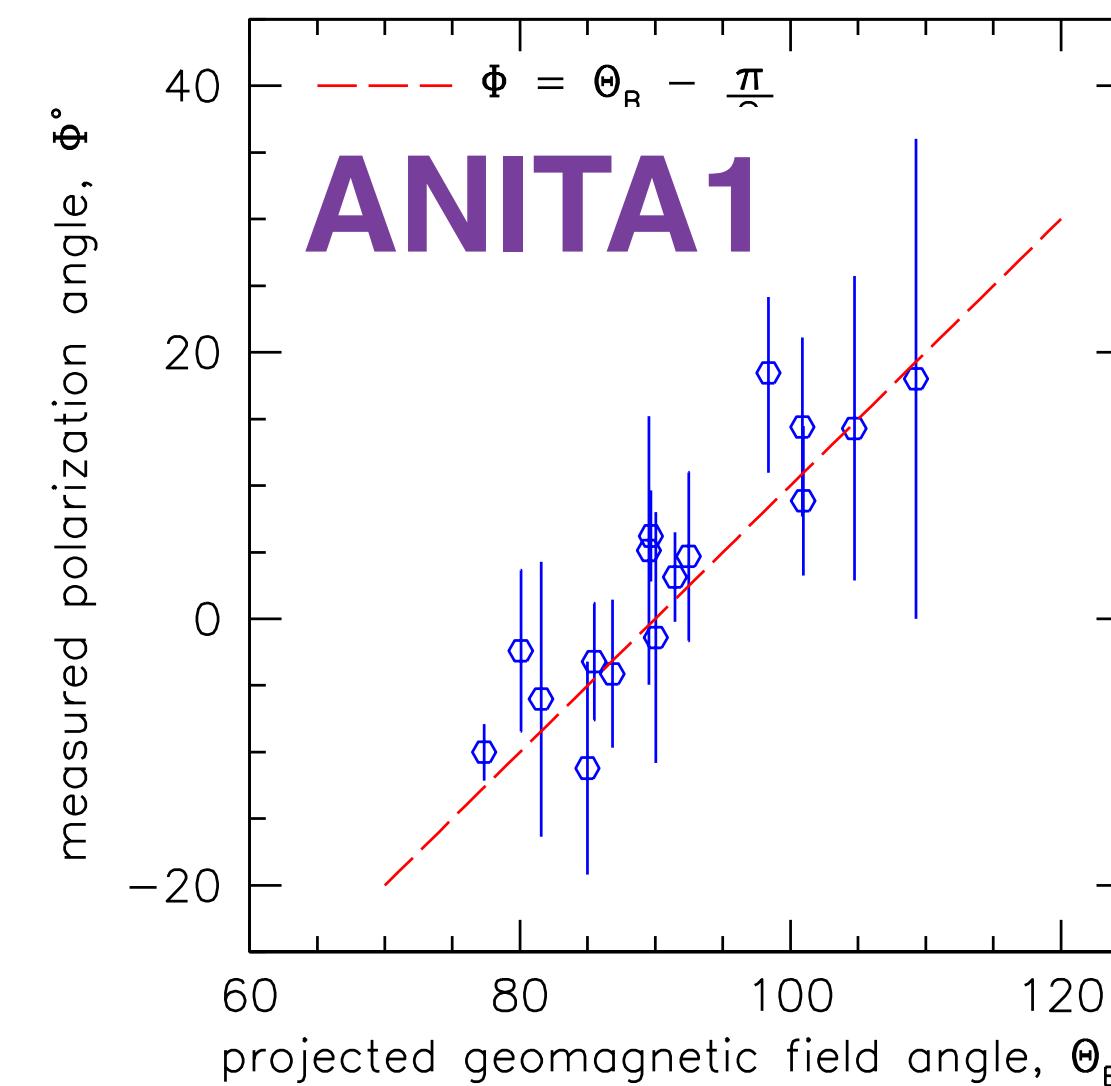


UHECR

ANITA1: 16 UHECR
 14 reflected + 2 direct
 ANITA-2: 2 UHECR
 H-pol trigger was off
 ANITA-3: 25 UHECR
 ANITA-4: analysis in progress

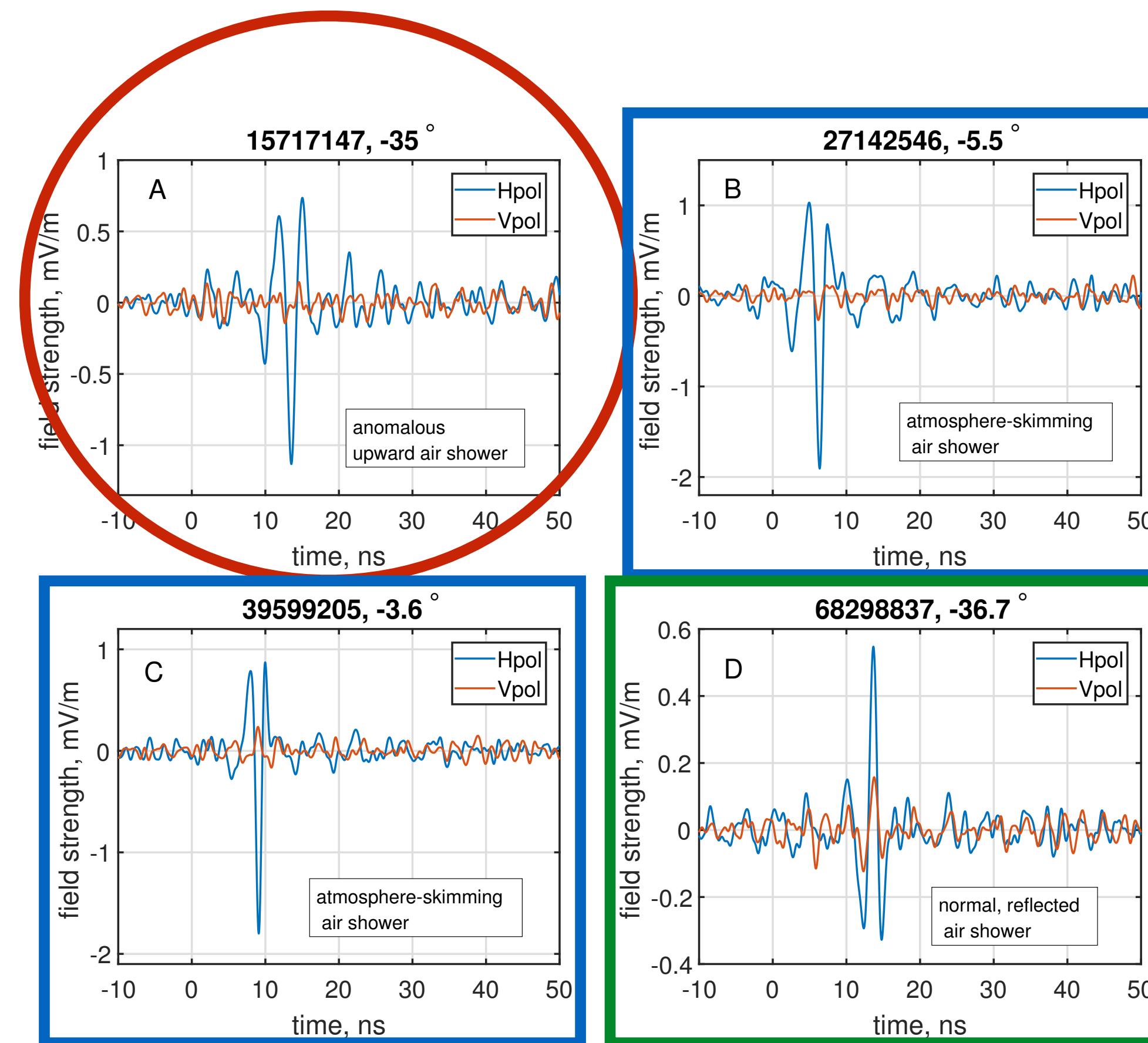


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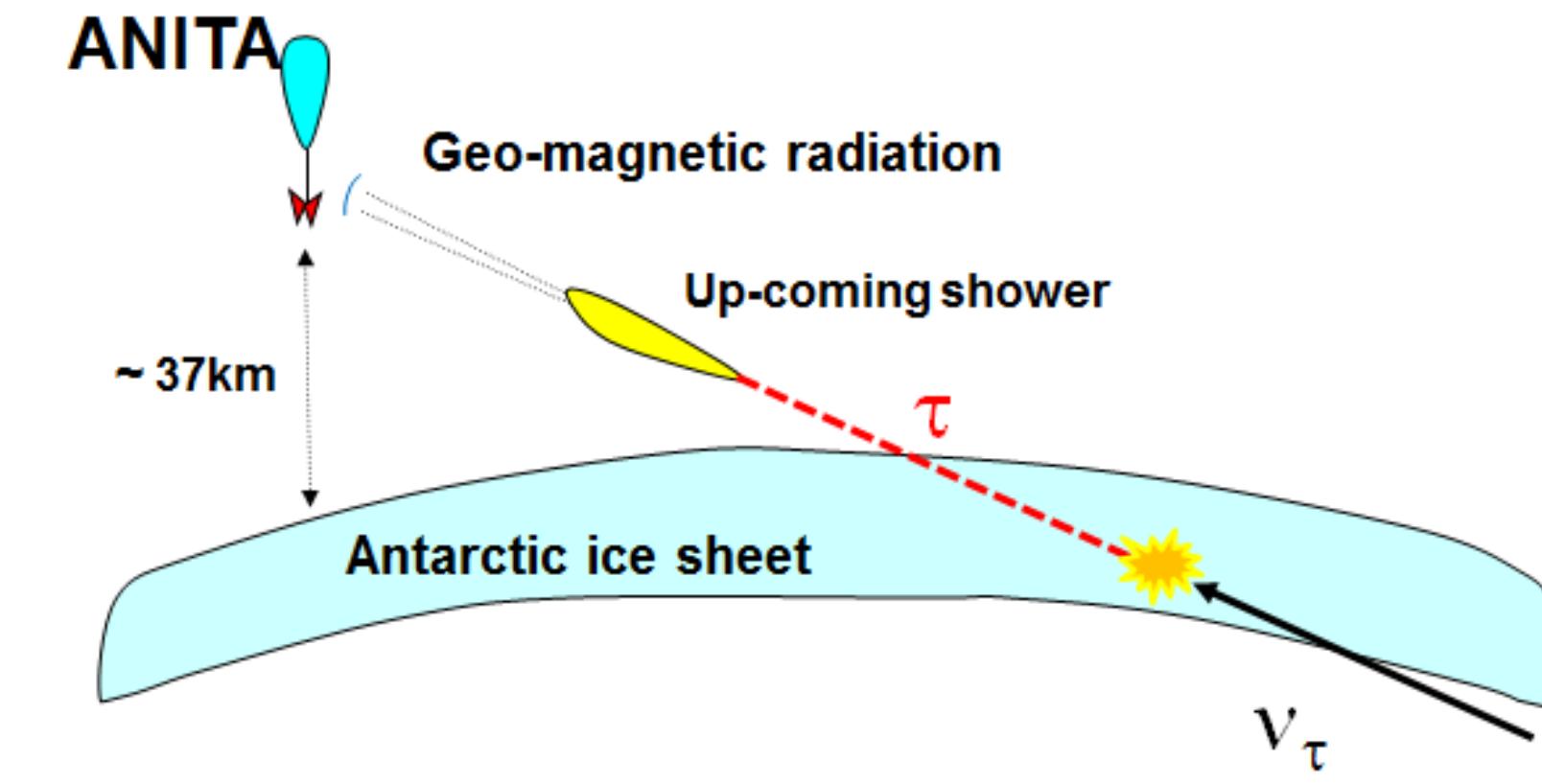
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2 mystery events



Chord length: 5500-7000 km (20-30,000km water equivalent)
1600km SM interaction length @ 1 EeV

Background estimate $< 10^{-2}$



Direct Cosmic Rays

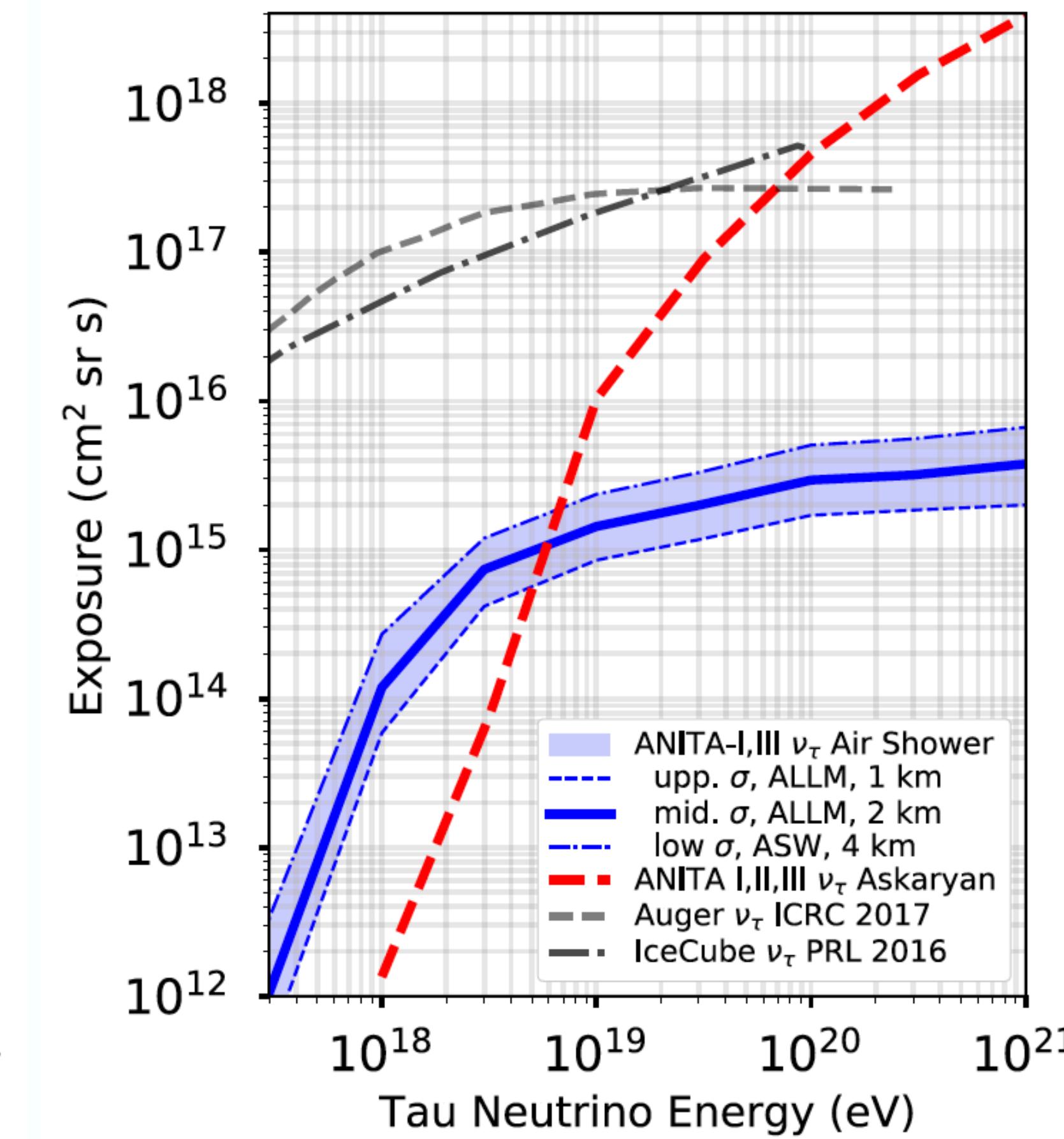
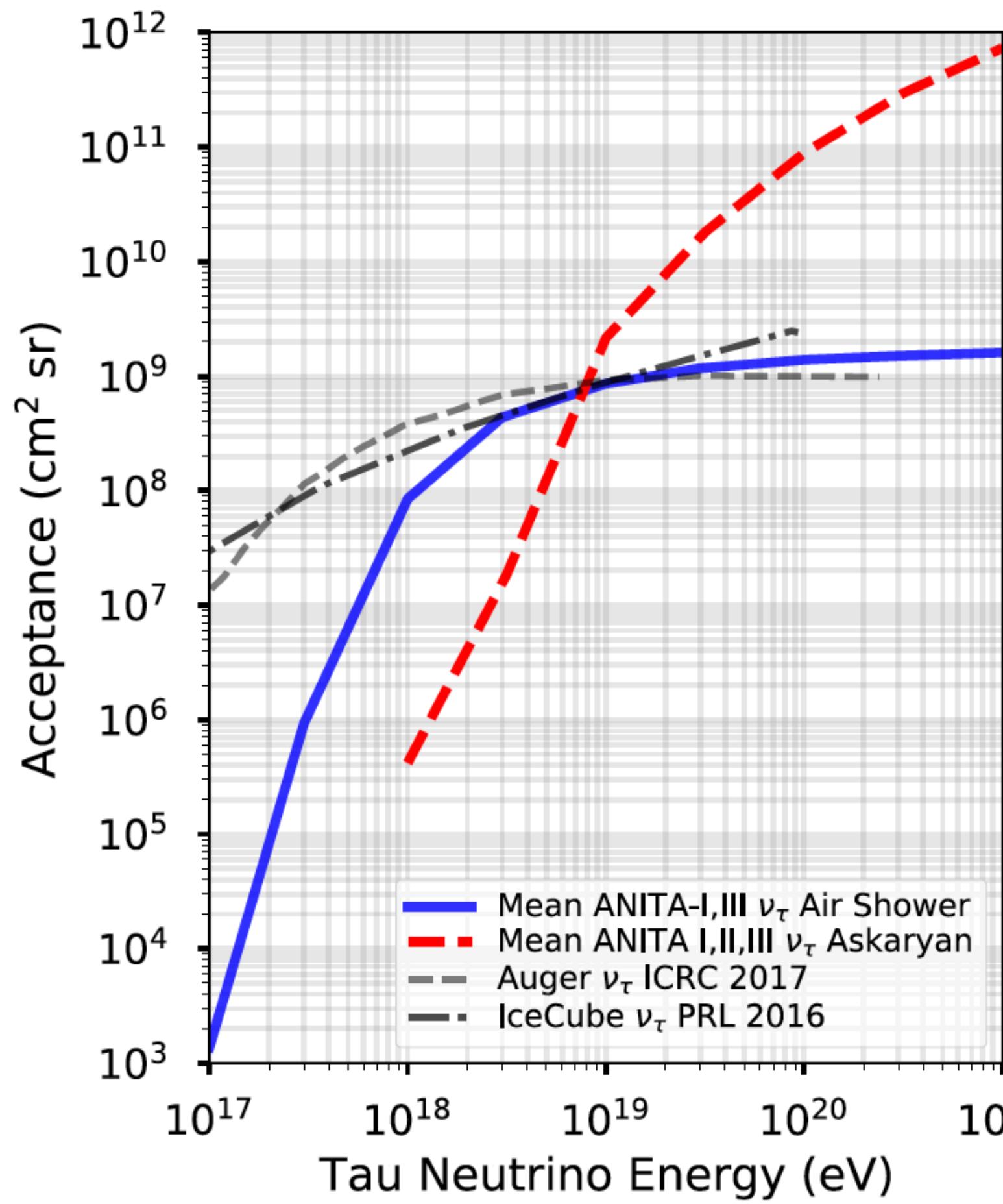
Reflected Cosmic Rays

NEW PHYSICS ?

"Guess who's back?"

Diffuse neutrinos: problem 1

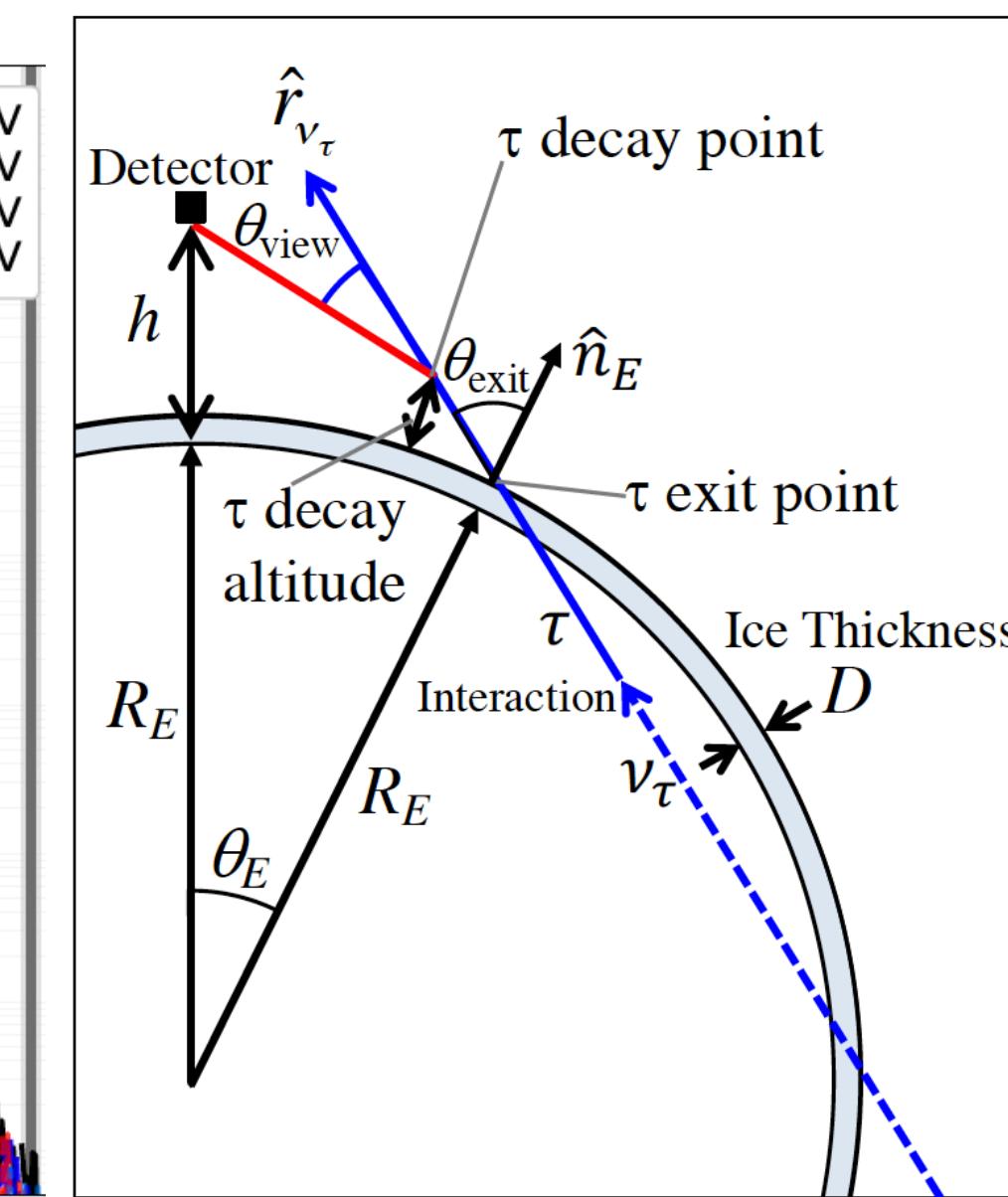
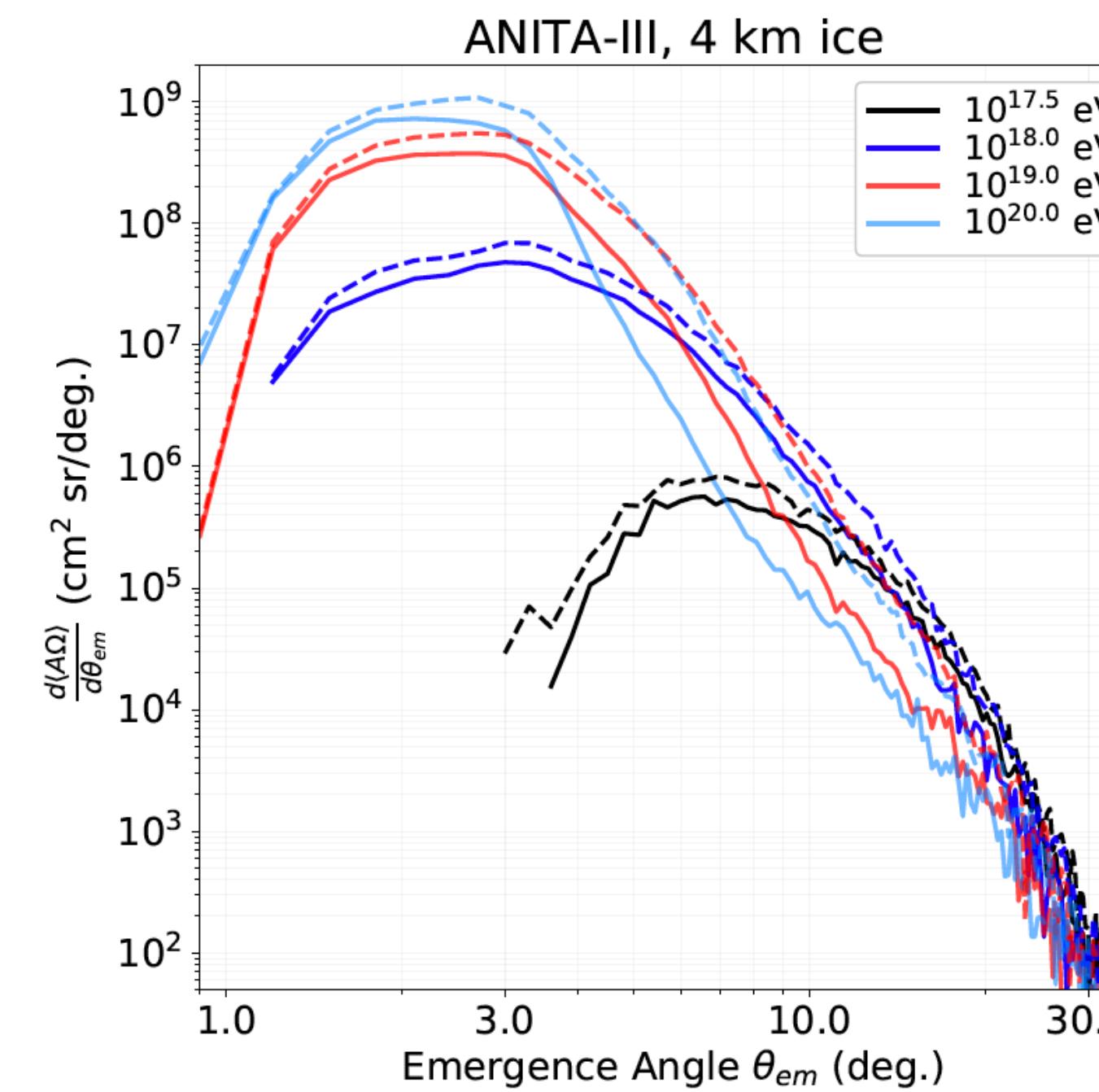
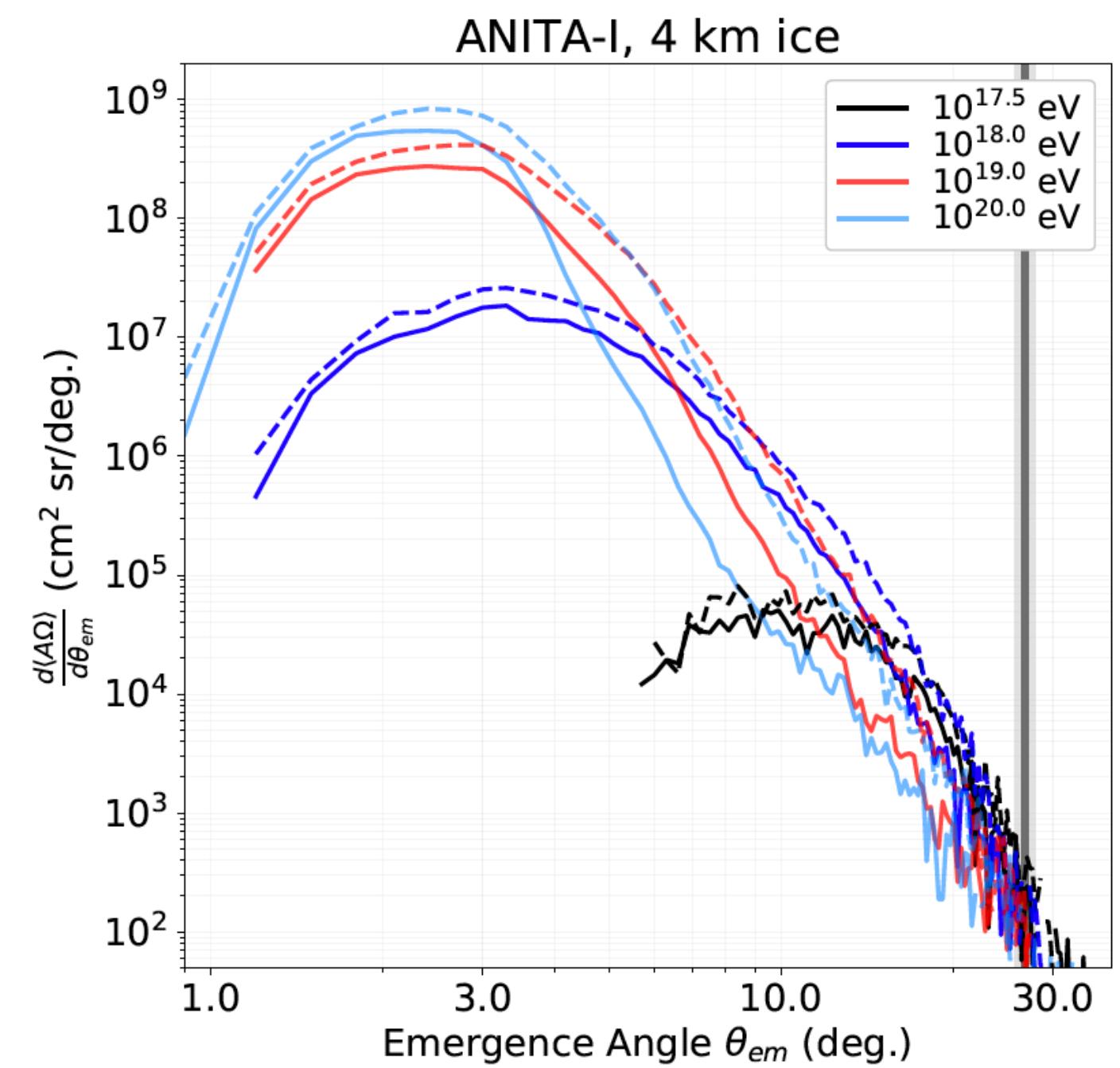
- If these are tau neutrinos why hasn't IceCube seen them?



arXiv: 1811.07261

Diffuse neutrinos: problem 2

- Both ANITA-1 and ANITA-3 events were relatively close to the balloon
- There is much more acceptance close to the horizon
- Where are those tau candidate events?

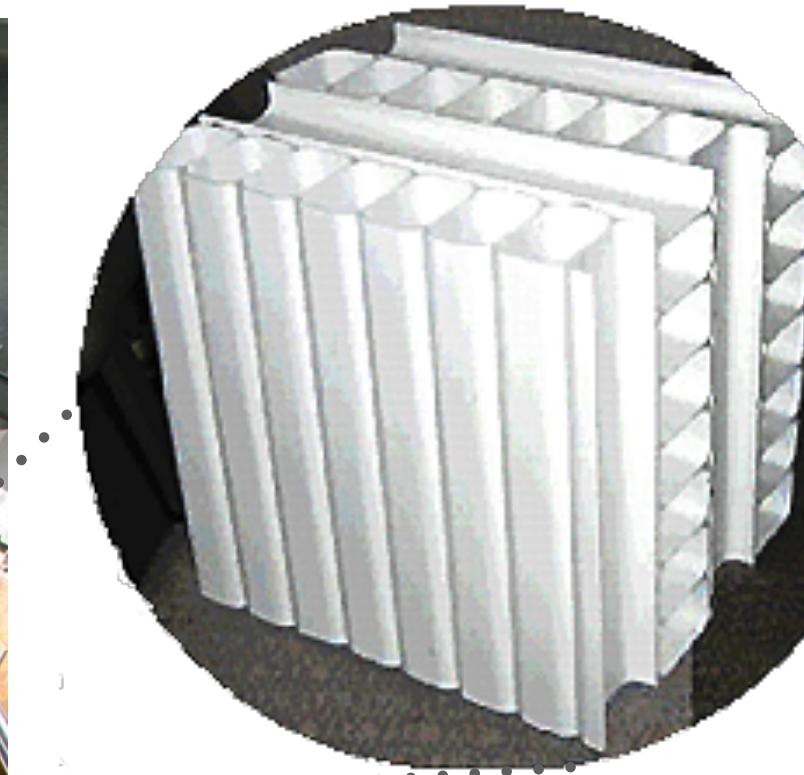
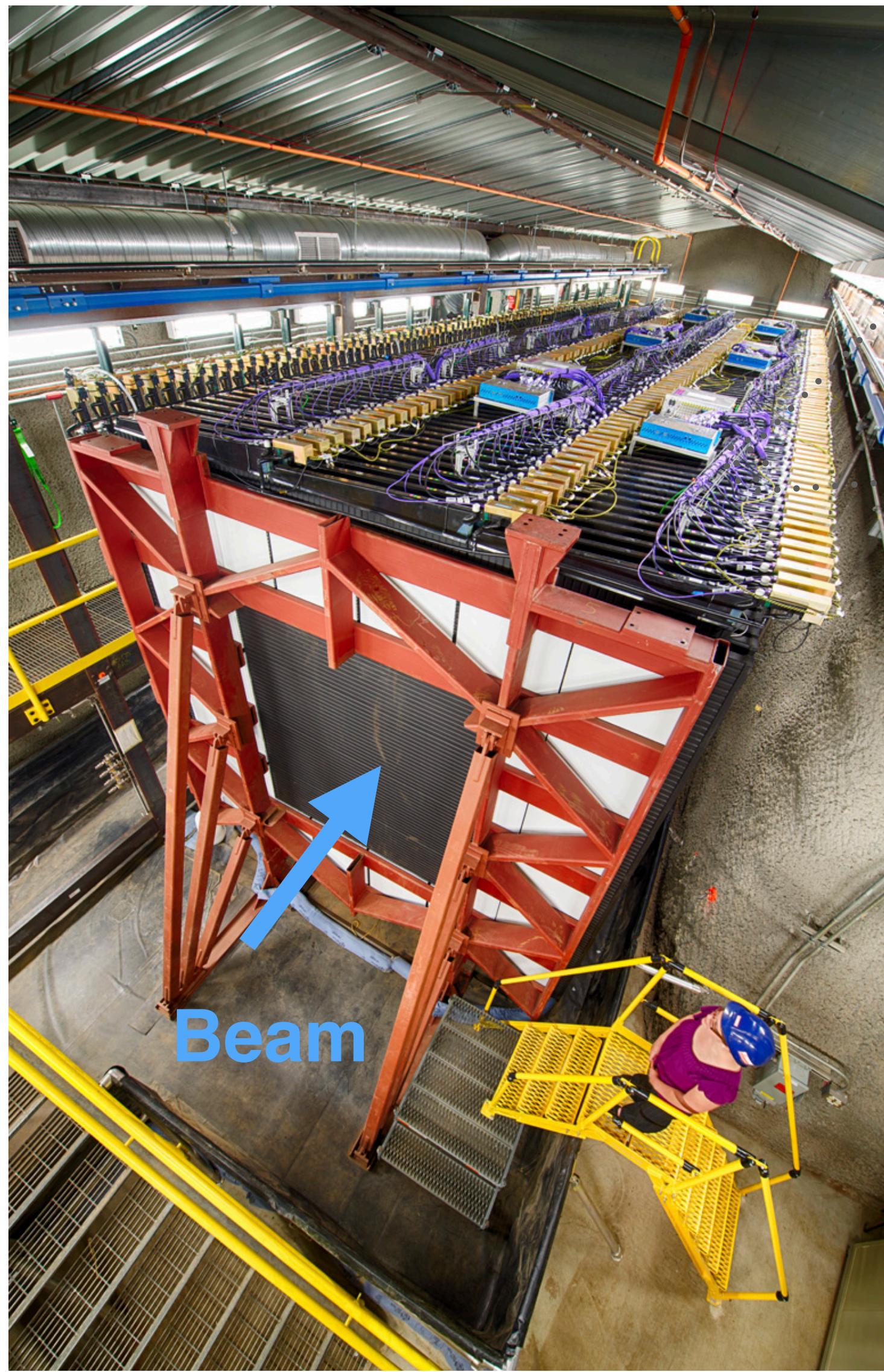


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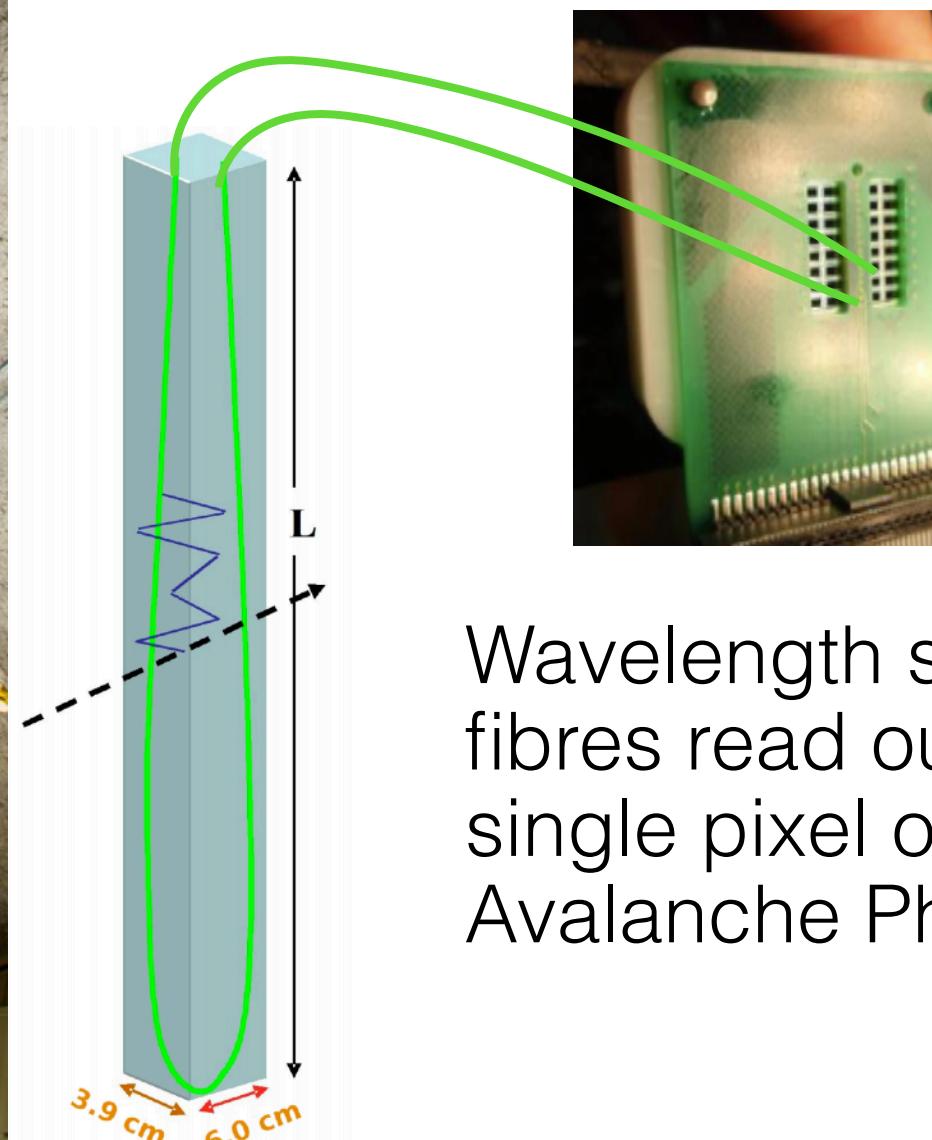
Some other interpretations..

- Sterile neutrinos explanation ($\sigma_{\nu s} \sim \theta^2 \sigma_\nu$), would need powerful transient source to avoid IceCube's constraints (arXiv:1802.01611)
- Decay of massive dark matter candidate ($>E18$ eV) into two right handed neutrinos (arXiv: 1902.04584)
- Intermediary BSM particle produced in UHECR interactions with low cross-section and low EM energy losses (stau) (arXiv:1809.09615)
- Powerful transient source search with 1.5 degree error:
 - No concurrent GRBs
 - SN2014dz, type Ia SN at $z=0.017$, 5 hours after initial discovery (a posteriori chance association 2.7σ)
 - IceCube point-source analysis excluded the possibility of them coming from a transient source (arXiv: 2001.01737)

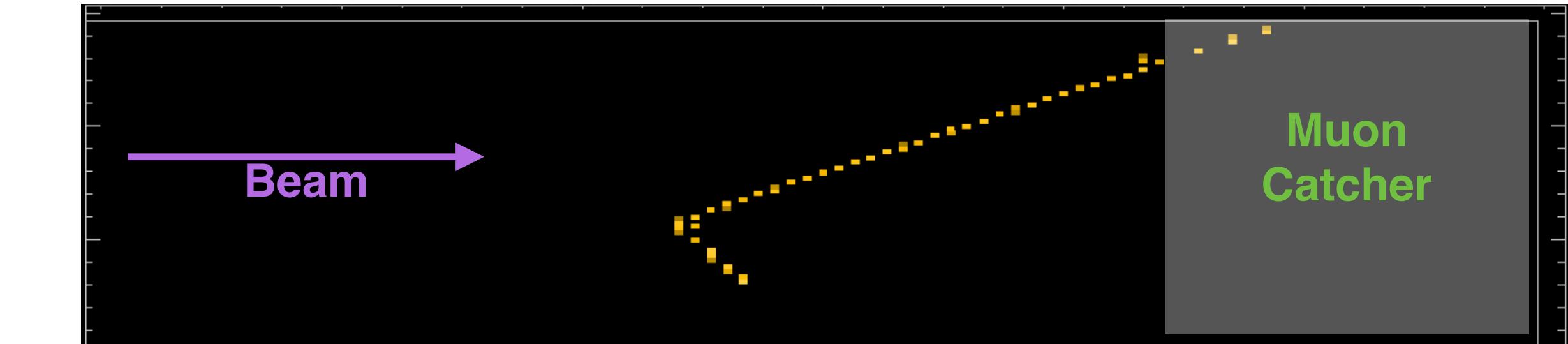
NOvA Near Detector



Alternating planes allow
for 3D reconstruction

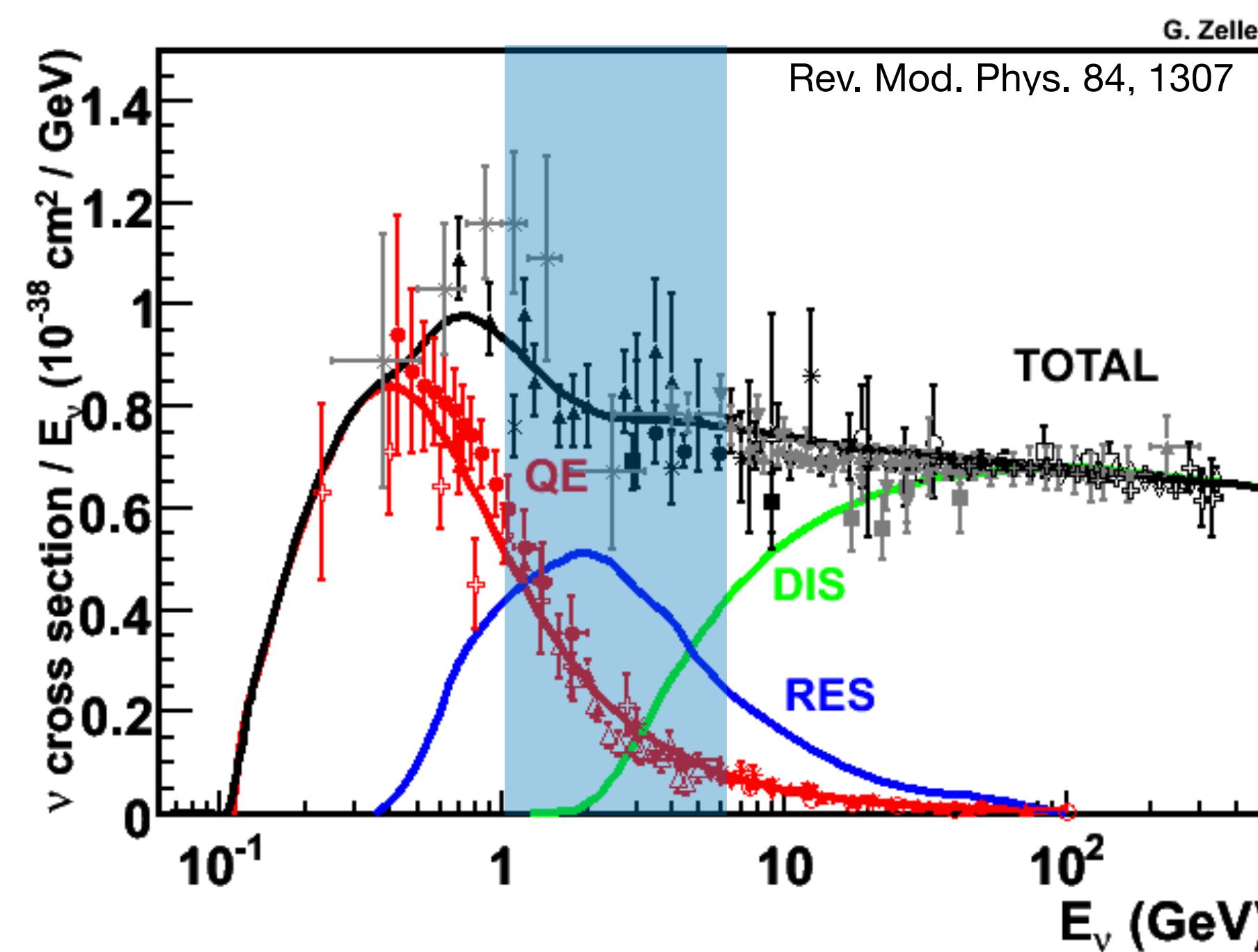


Wavelength shifting
fibres read out by a
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Avalanche Photodiode

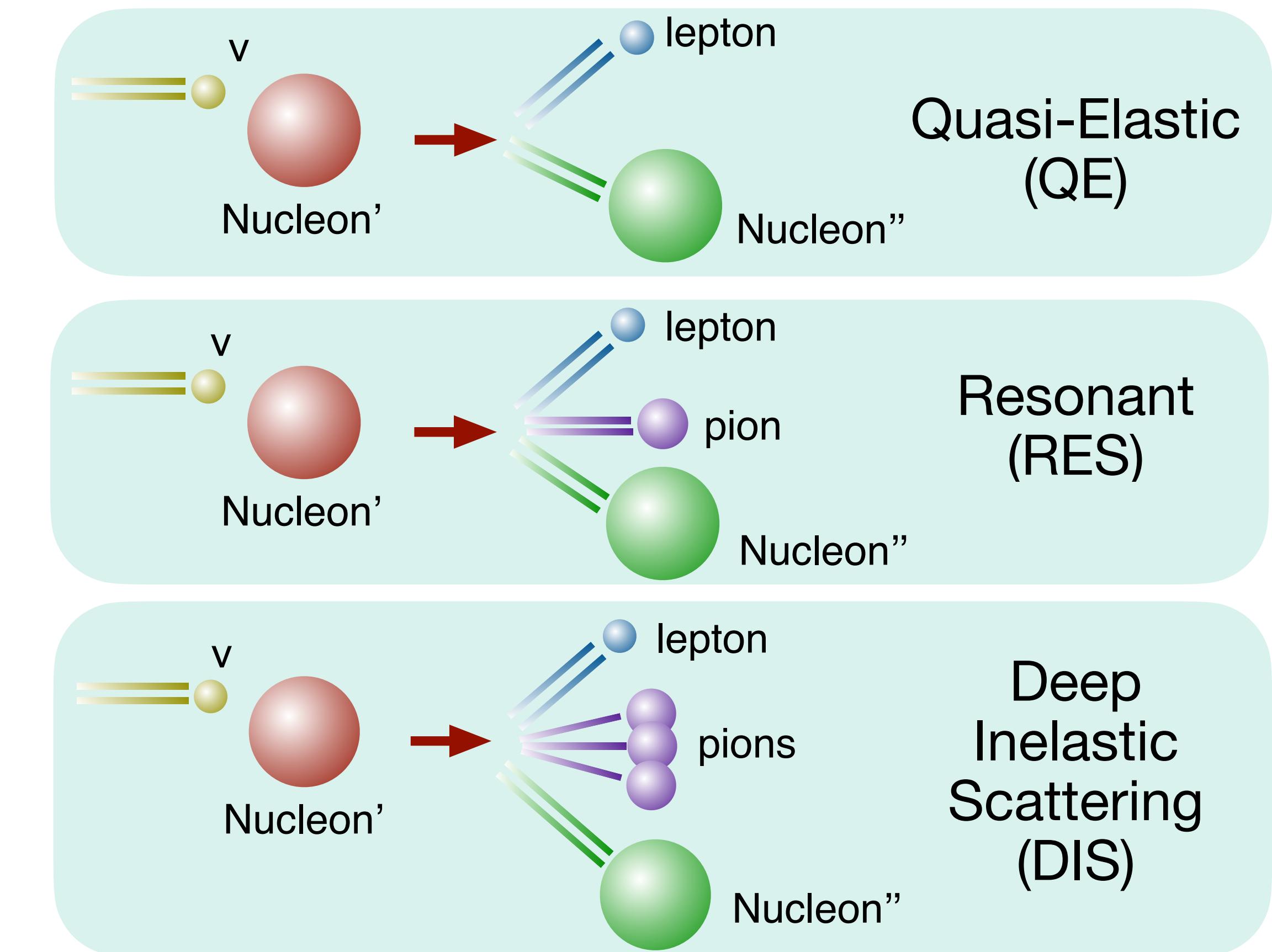


- 300t tracking calorimeter
- Extruded plastic cells, filled with liquid scintillator
- 0.17 X_0 per layer
- 77% hydrocarbon, 16% chlorine, 6% TiO_2 by mass
- Muon catcher (steel + NOvA cells) at downstream end to range out $\sim 2\text{GeV}$ muons.

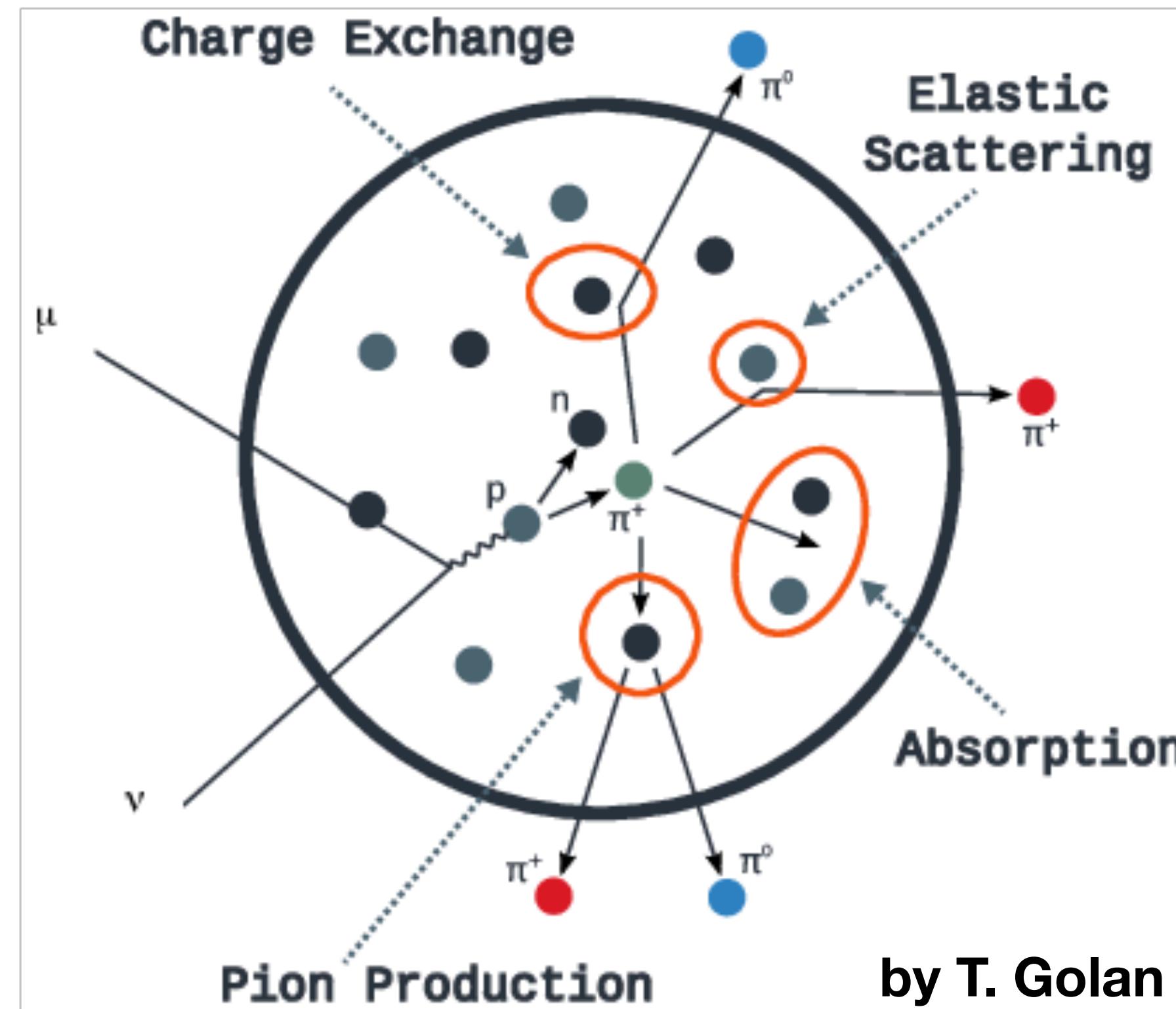
Neutrino CC interactions at NOvA



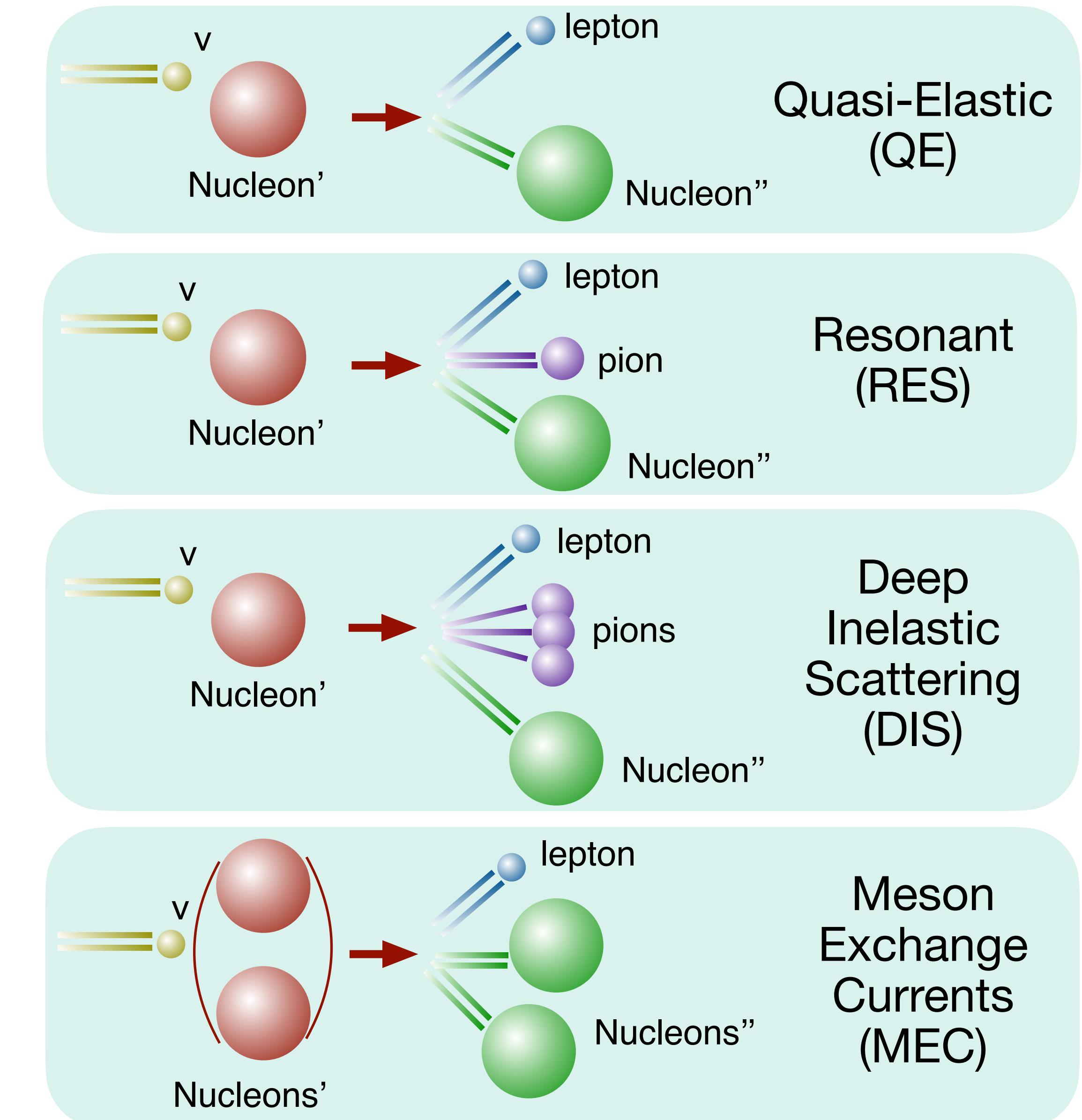
- NOvA flux peaks between 1 and 5 GeV: it sits in the transition region between different neutrino interaction processes.



Neutrino CC interactions at NOvA



- These neutrino interactions happen inside the nuclear media.



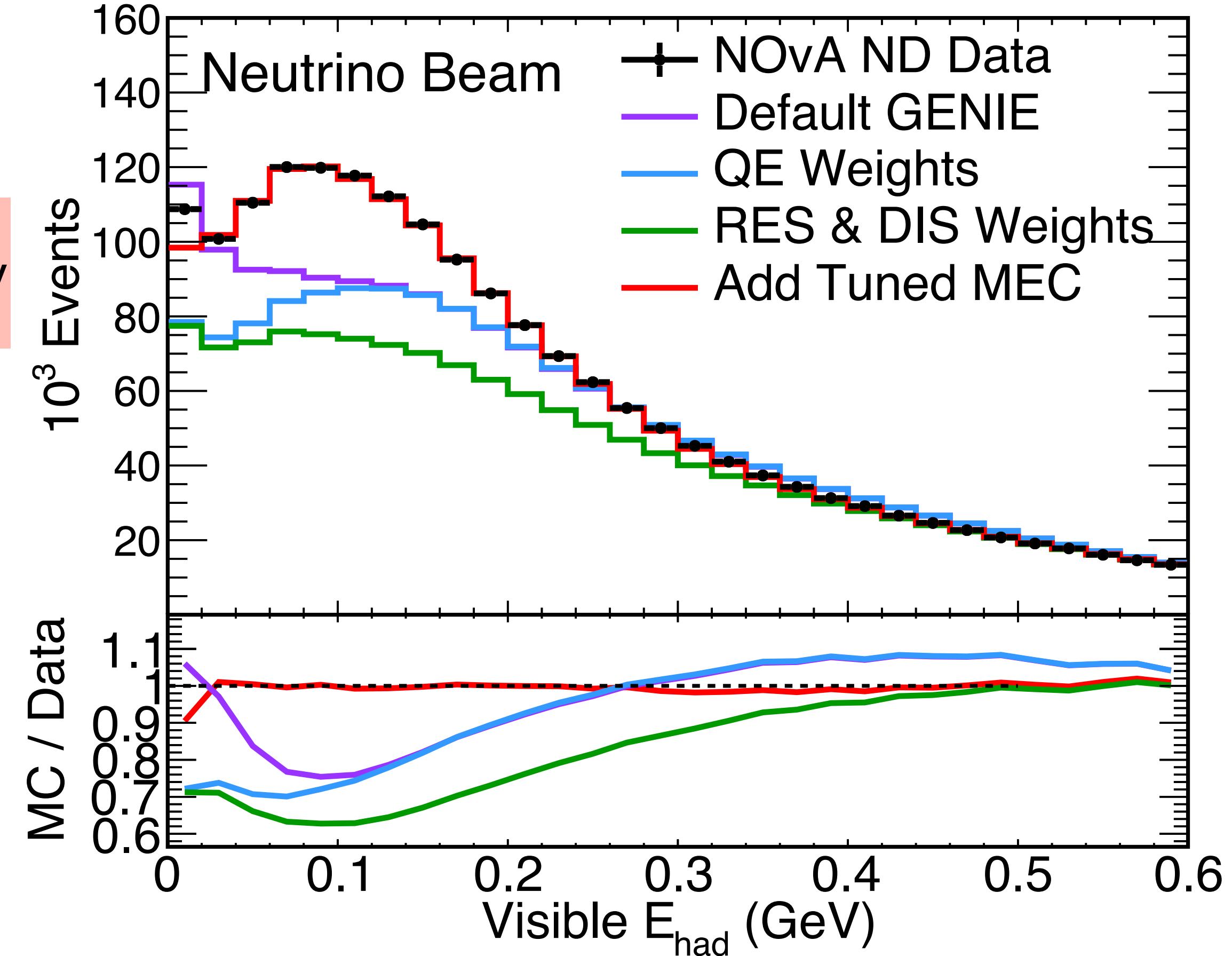
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Cross section measurements

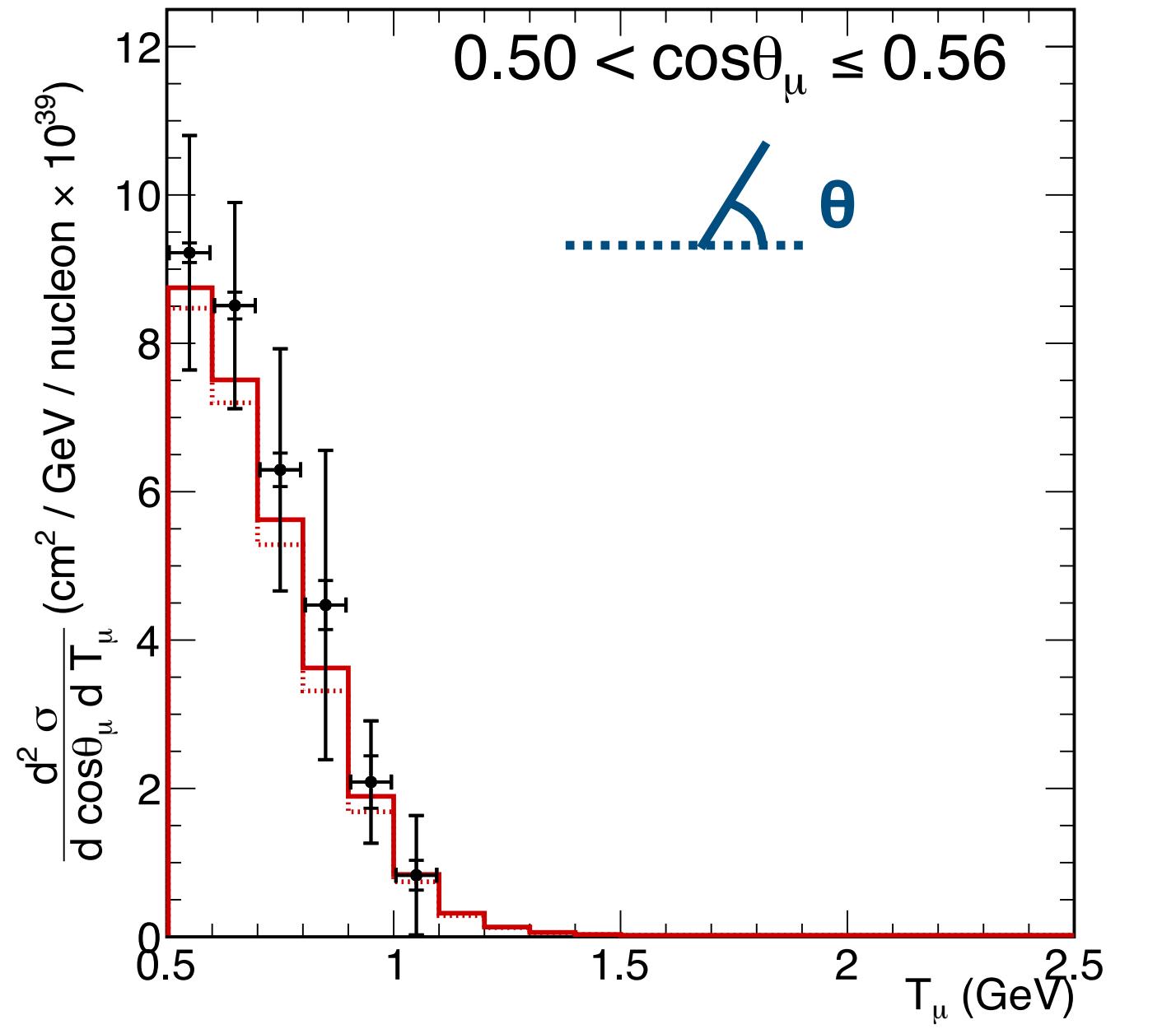
$$\sigma = \frac{N_{\text{events}} P}{N_t \Phi \epsilon}$$



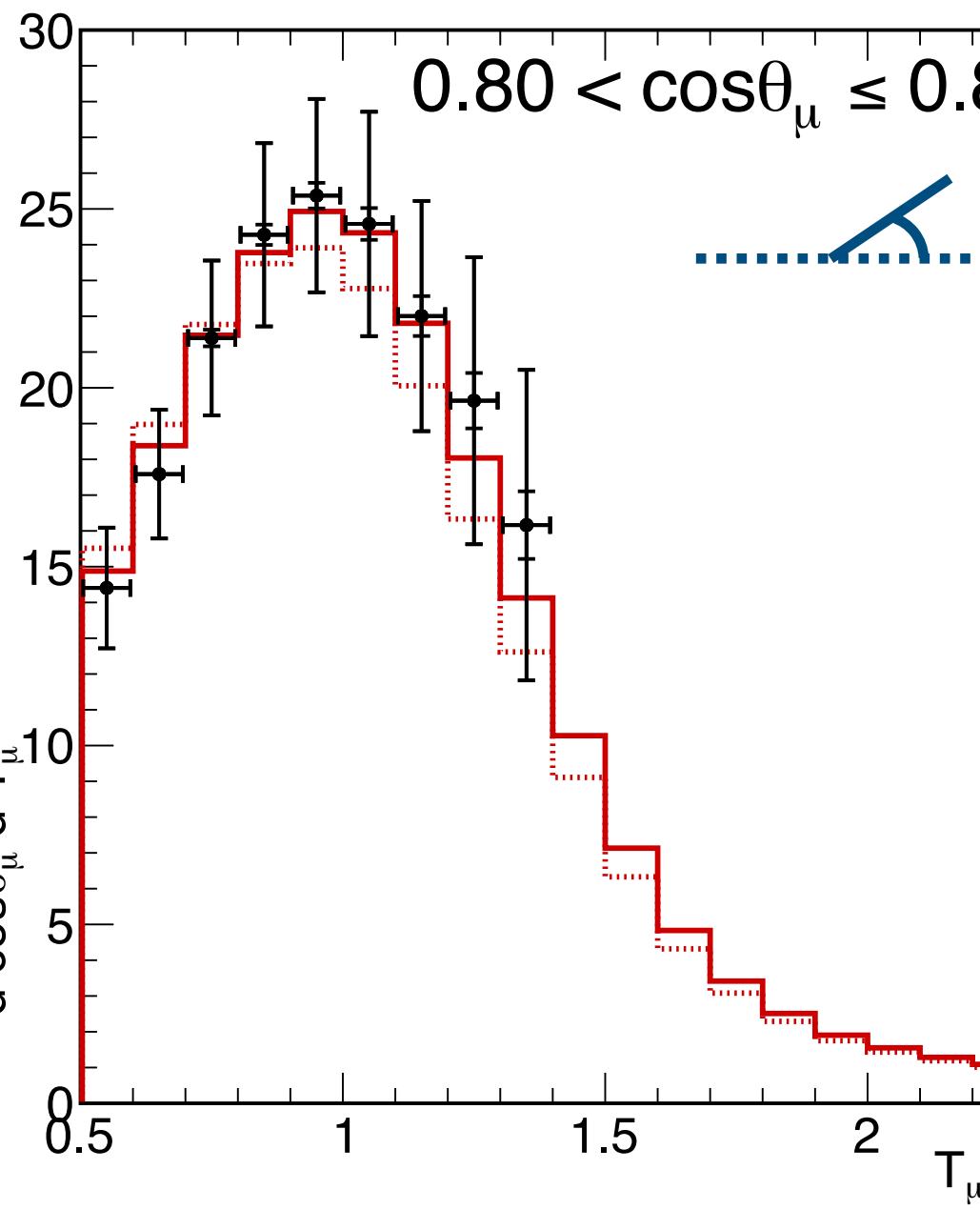
- Measurements of neutrino cross sections depend on the **efficiency** and **purity** which are estimated from our simulation.
- We use NOvA and external data to tune interaction model (GENIE 2.12.2):
 - Suppress QE and RES,
 - Increase DIS,
 - Add MEC.
- Same tune that was used in the NOvA 2018 analysis:
Ref to NOvA 2018 Analysis: Phys.Rev.Lett. 123 (2019) 15, 151803
Ref to Tune: arXiv:2006.08727.



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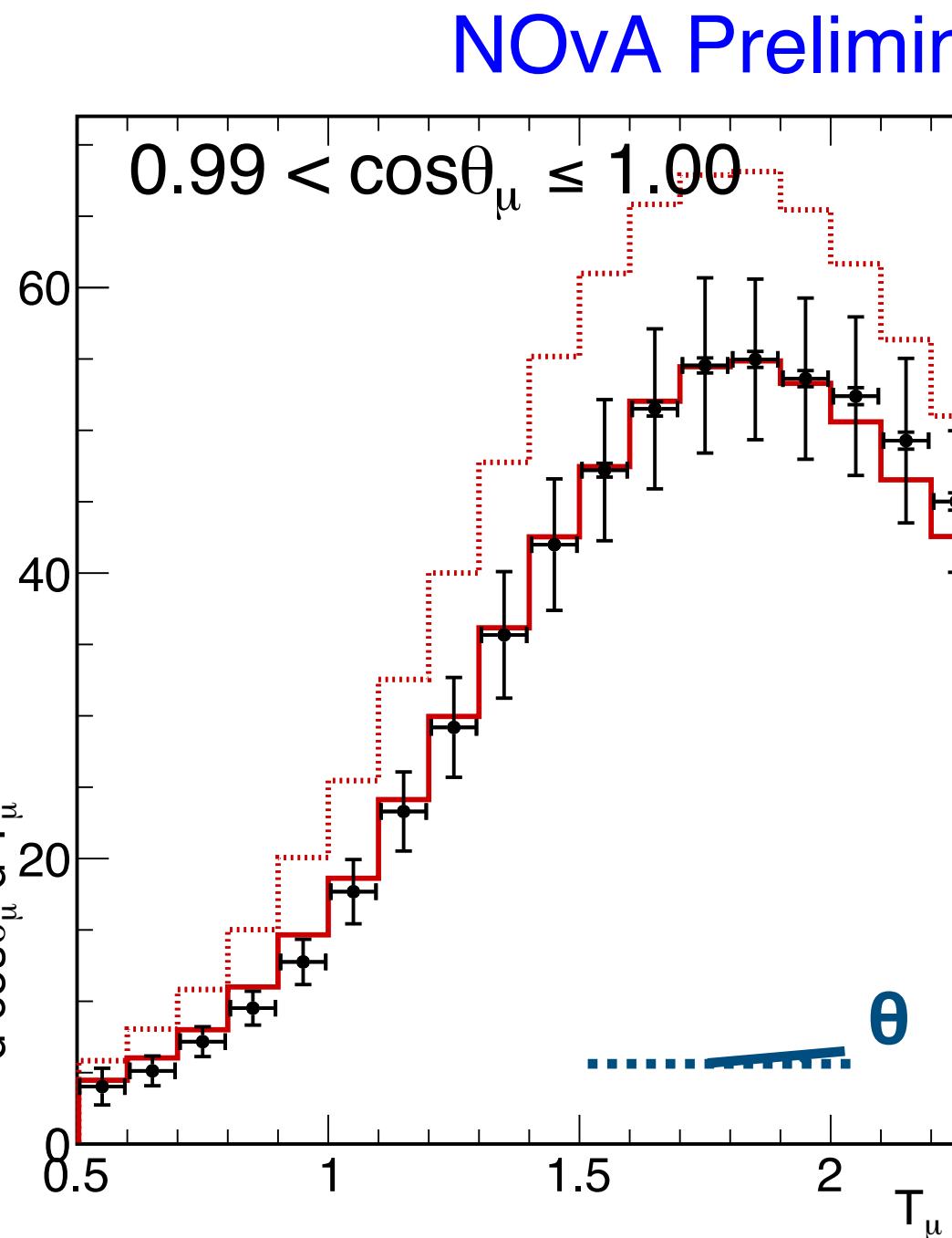
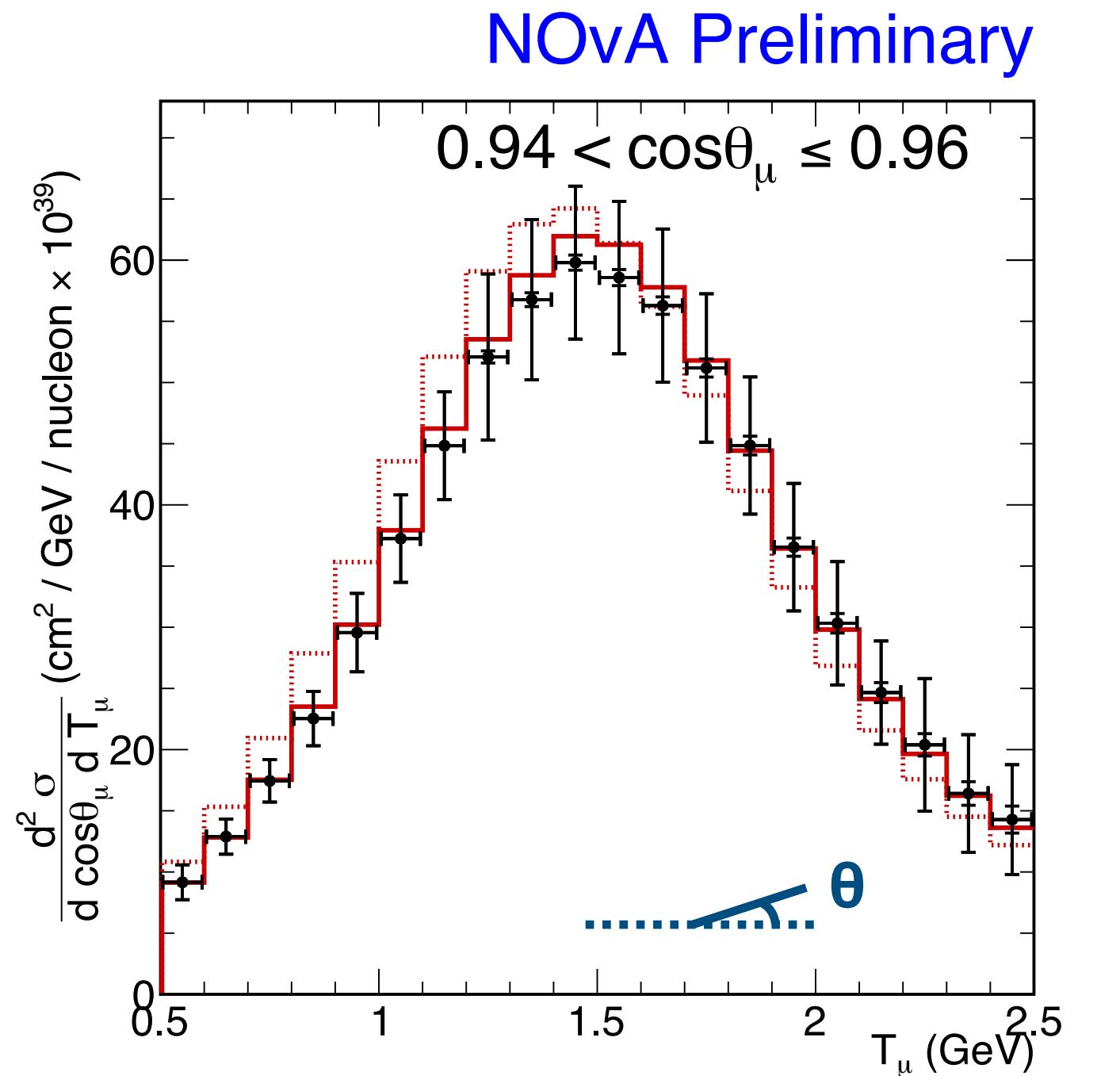
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Example 4 cosine slices

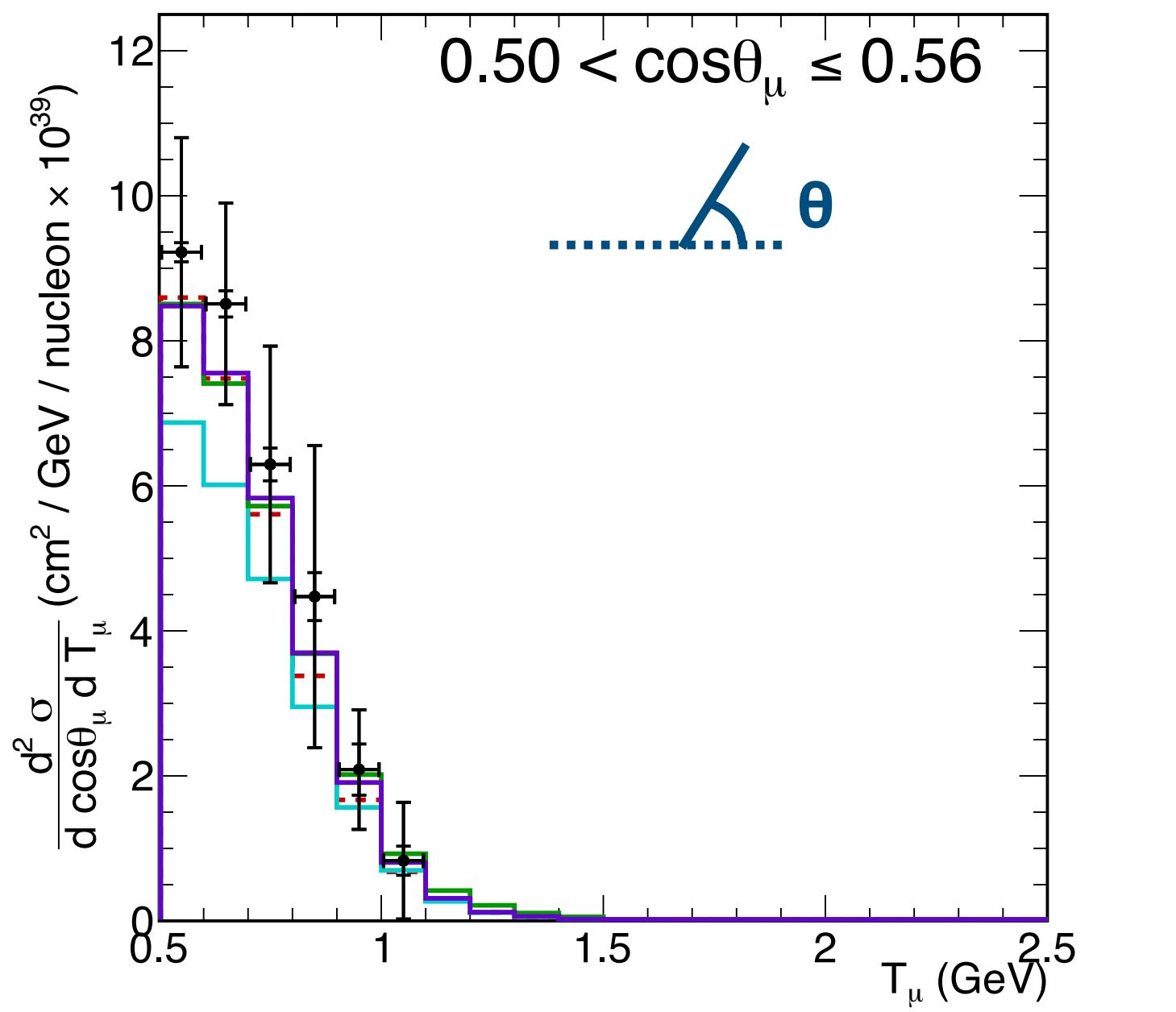
ν_μ CC inclusive

- Data (Stat. + Syst.)
- GENIE 2.12.2 - NOvA Tune
- GENIE 2.12.2 - Untuned

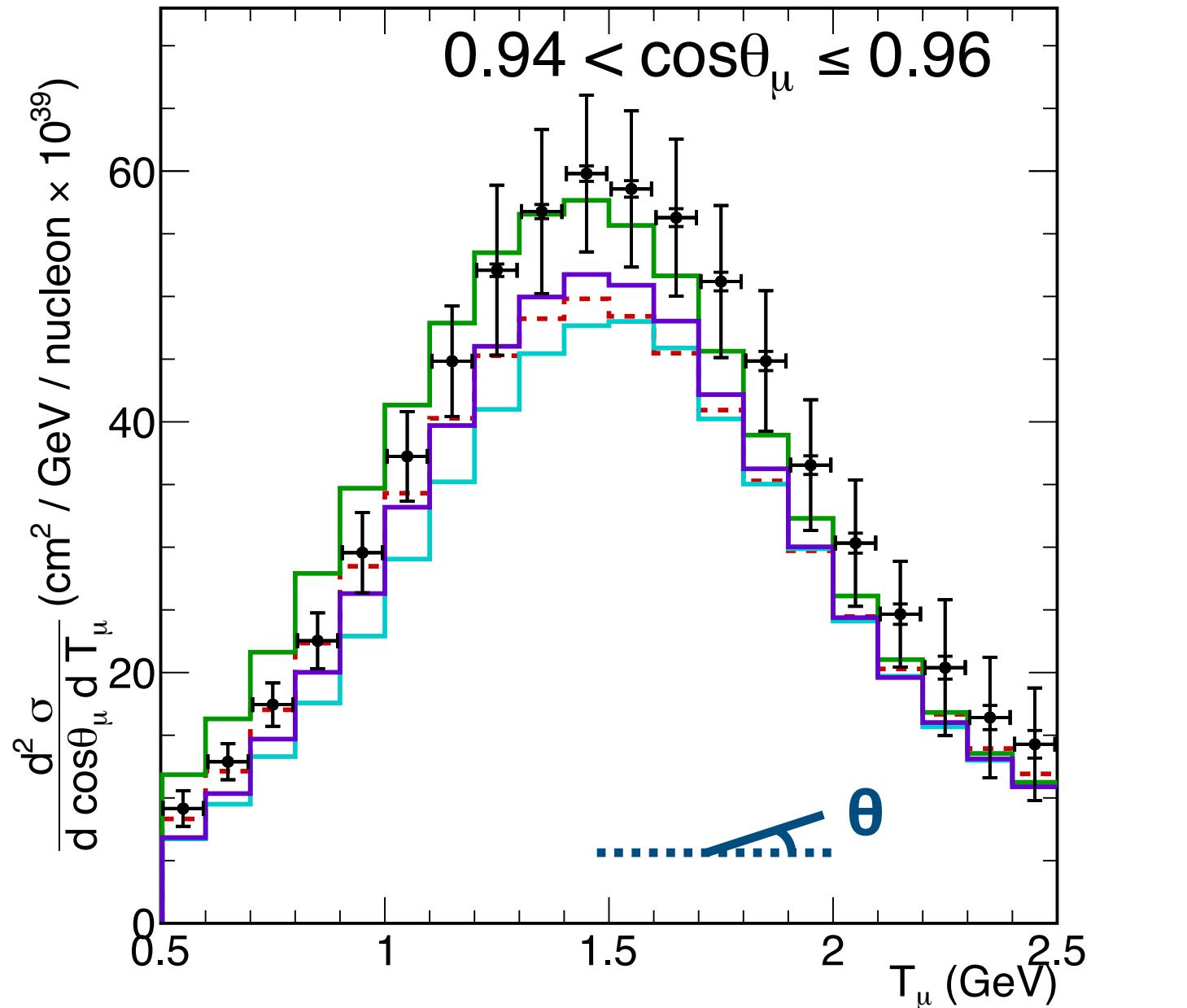


- Good agreement between tuned/untuned GENIE versions in high angle slices.
- At forward angle, where QE and MEC events dominate, the untuned GENIE 2 overshoots data.

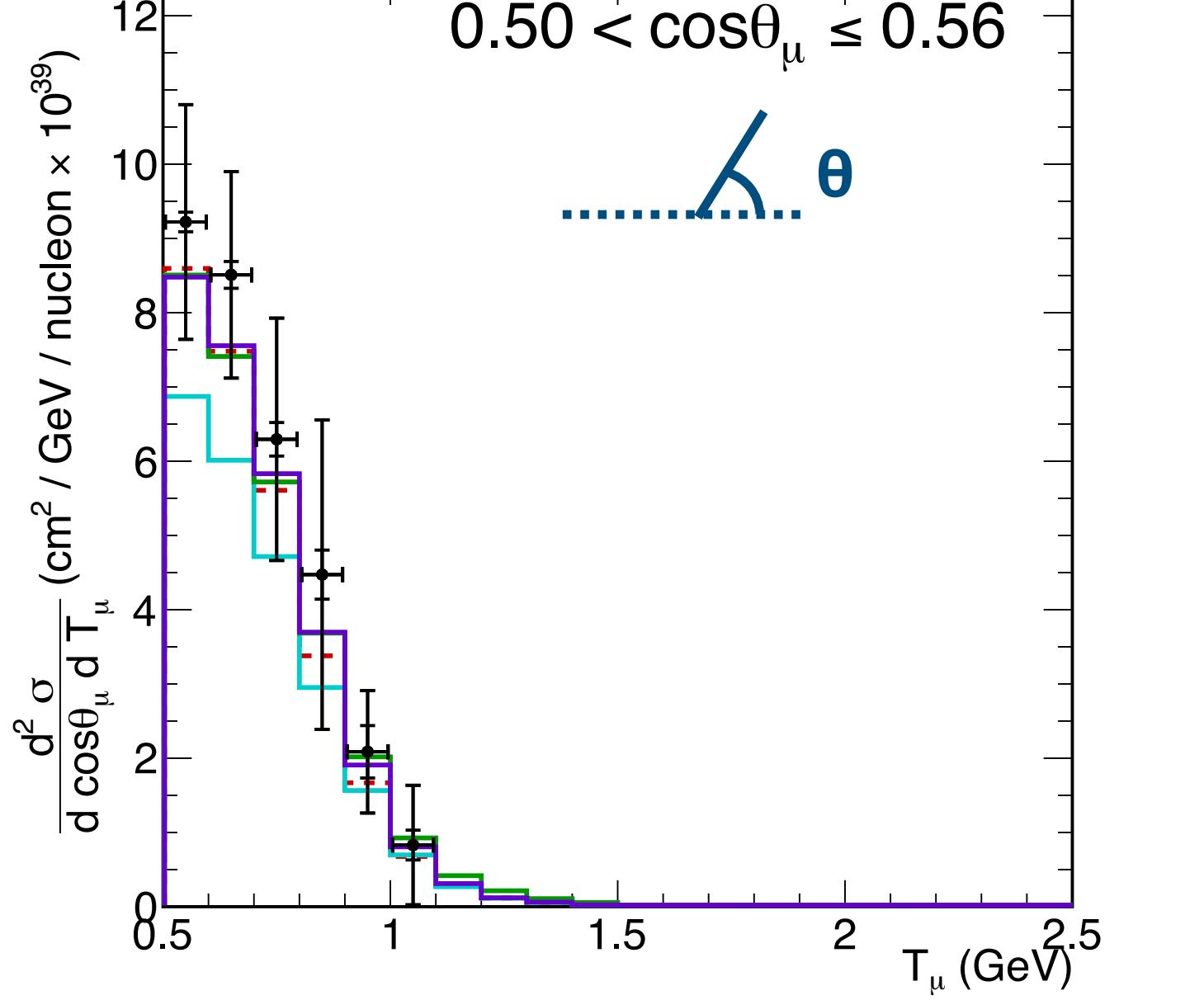
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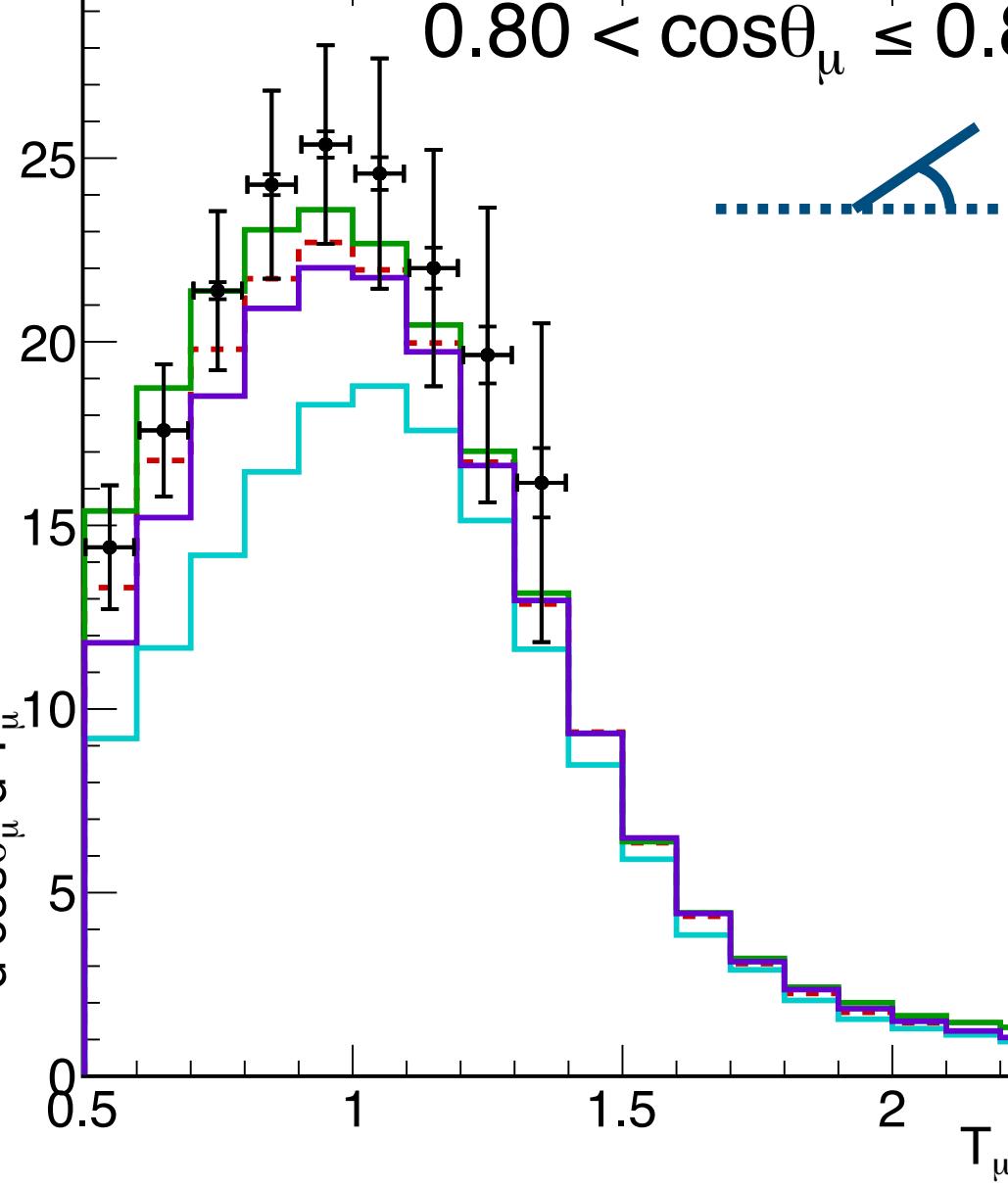
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Example 4 cosine slices

ν_μ CC inclusive

- Data (Stat. + Syst.)
- - - GENIE 3.00.06*
- cyan — GiBUU 2019
- green — NEUT 5.4.0
- purple — NuWro 2019

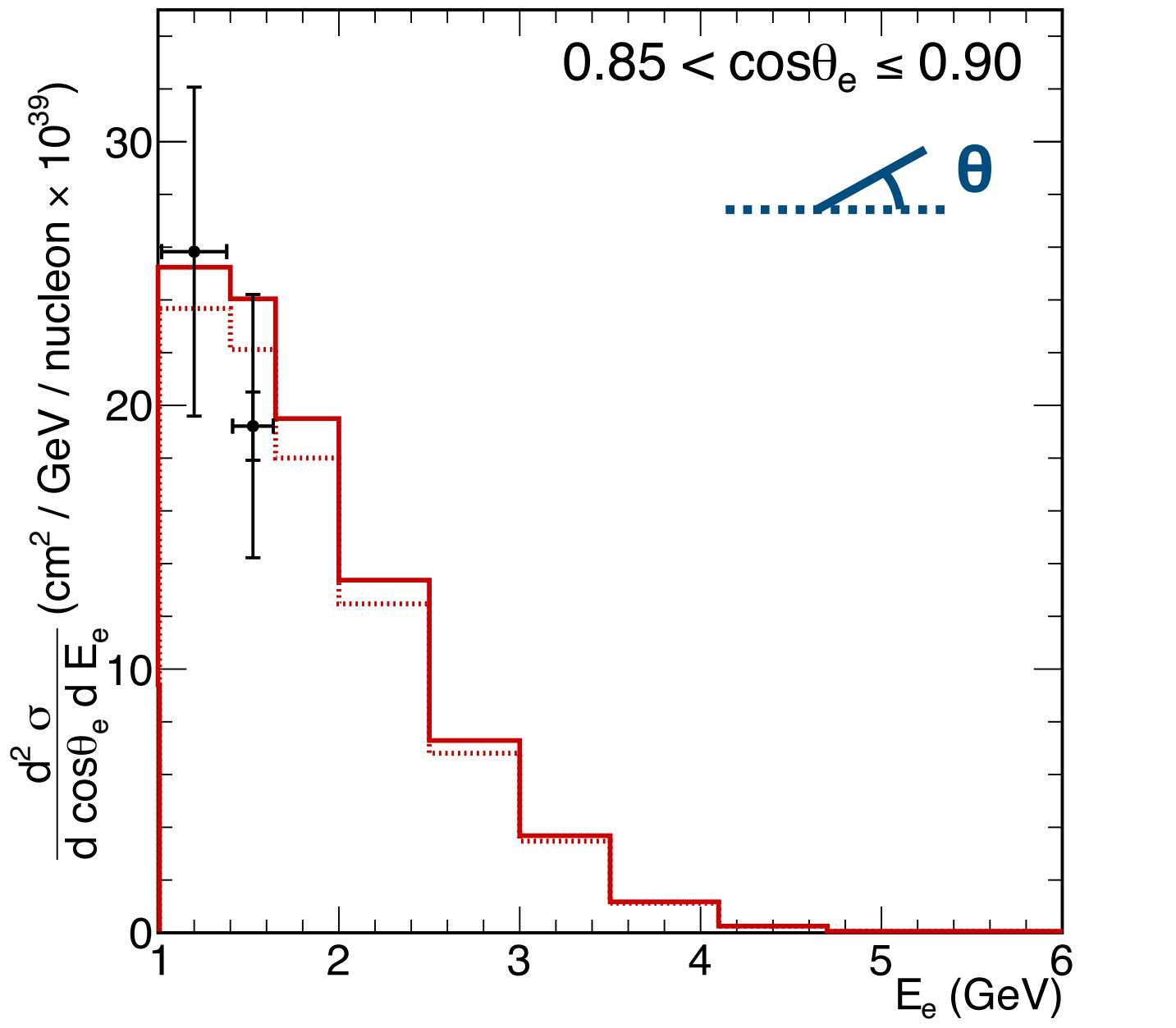
We used the total covariance matrix to calculate p-values.

Generator	p-value
GENIE 2.12.2 - Tuned	0.93
GENIE 2.12.2 - Untuned	0.24
GENIE 3.00.06*	0.26
GiBUU 2019	0.03
NEUT 5.4.0	0.52
NuWro 2019	0.22

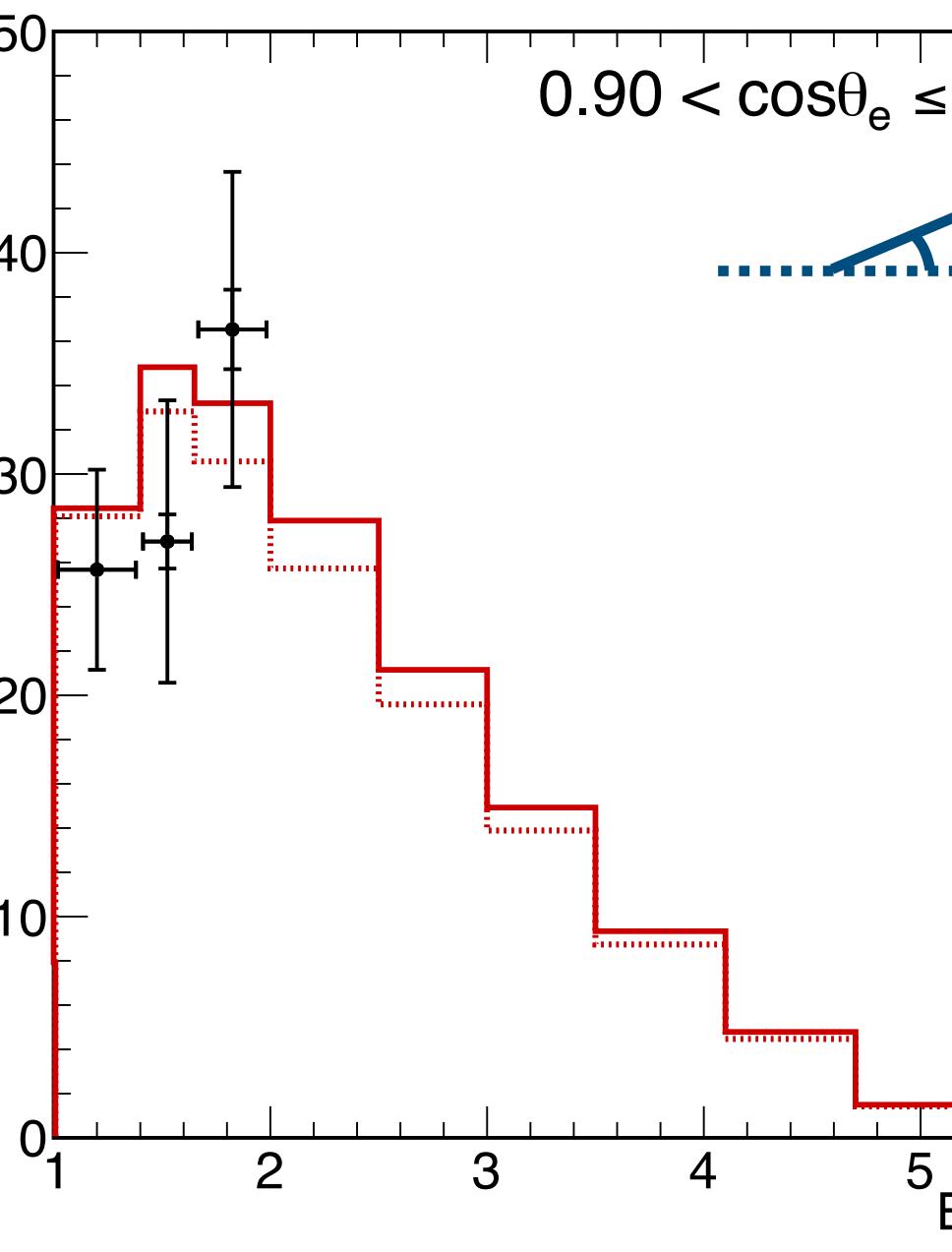
*N18_10j_02_11a: combination of G18_10j_00_000 and G18_10b_02_11a

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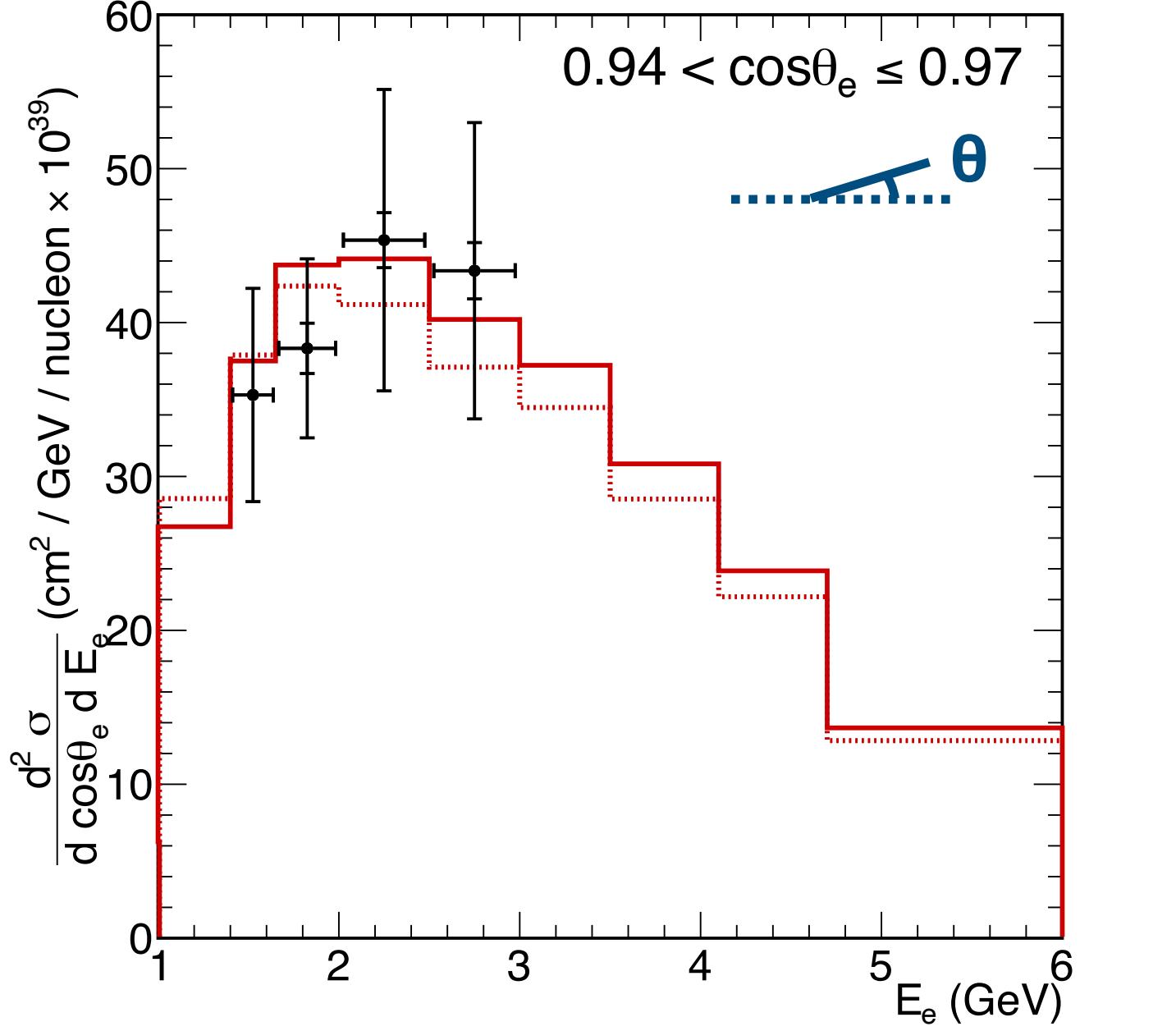
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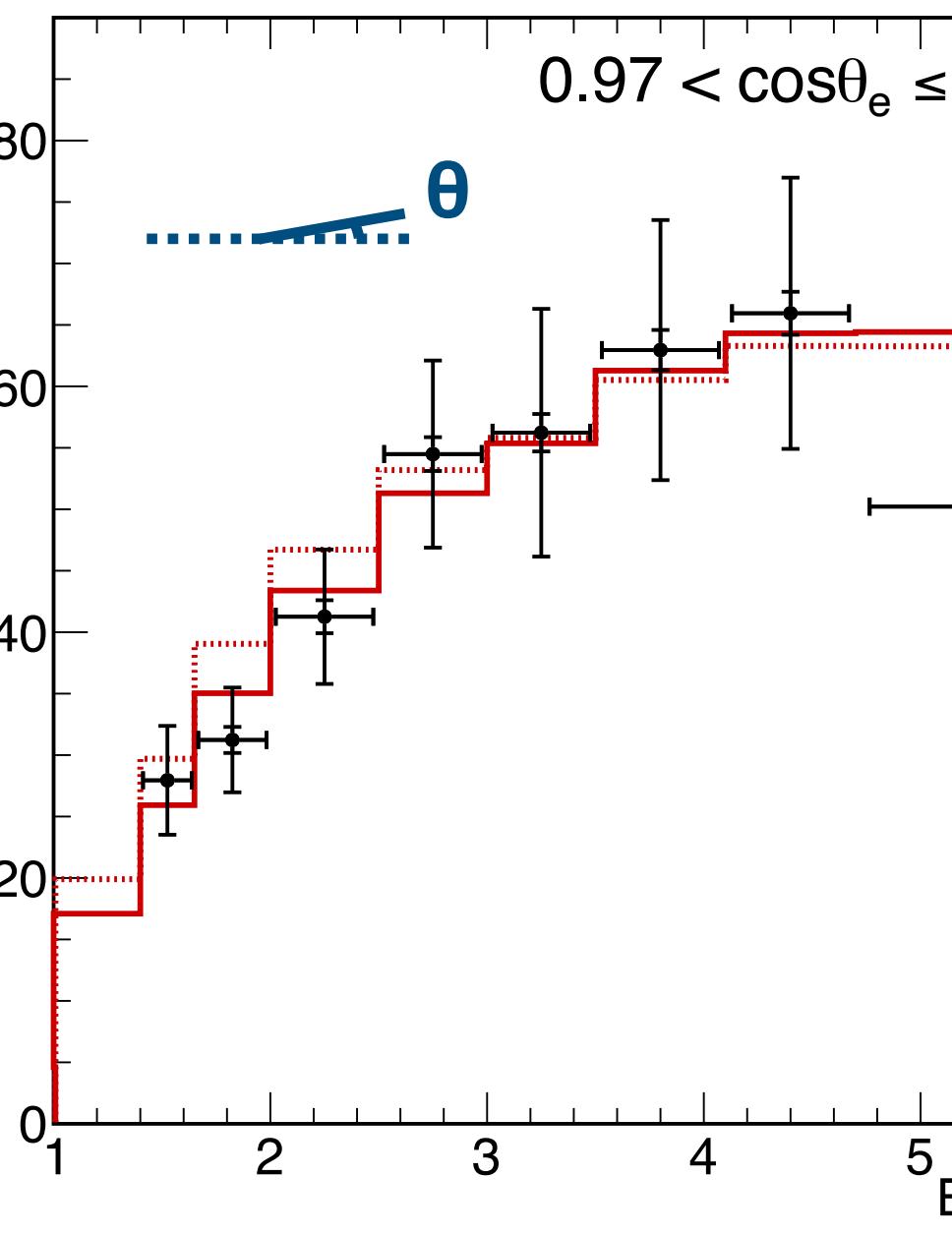
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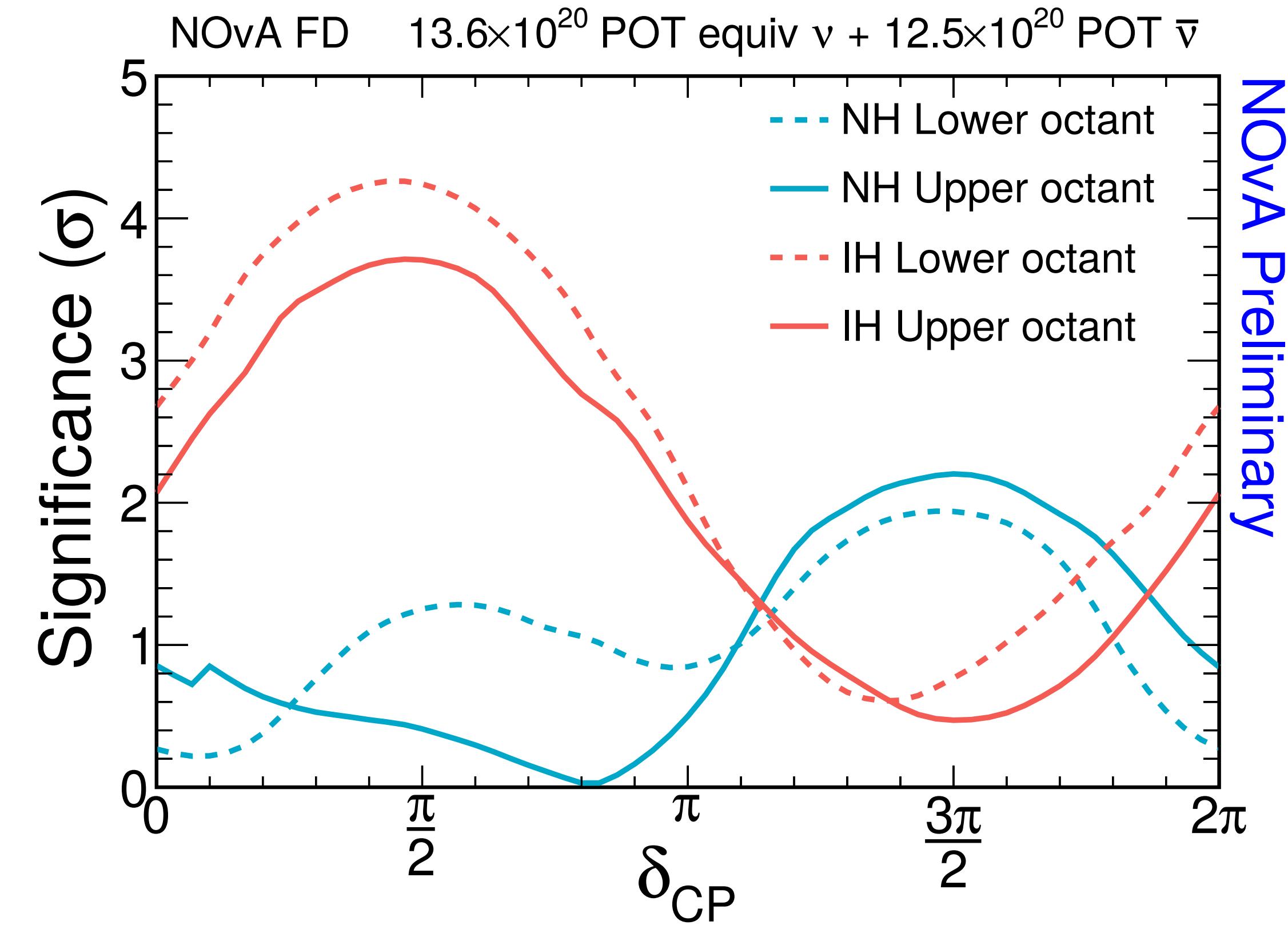
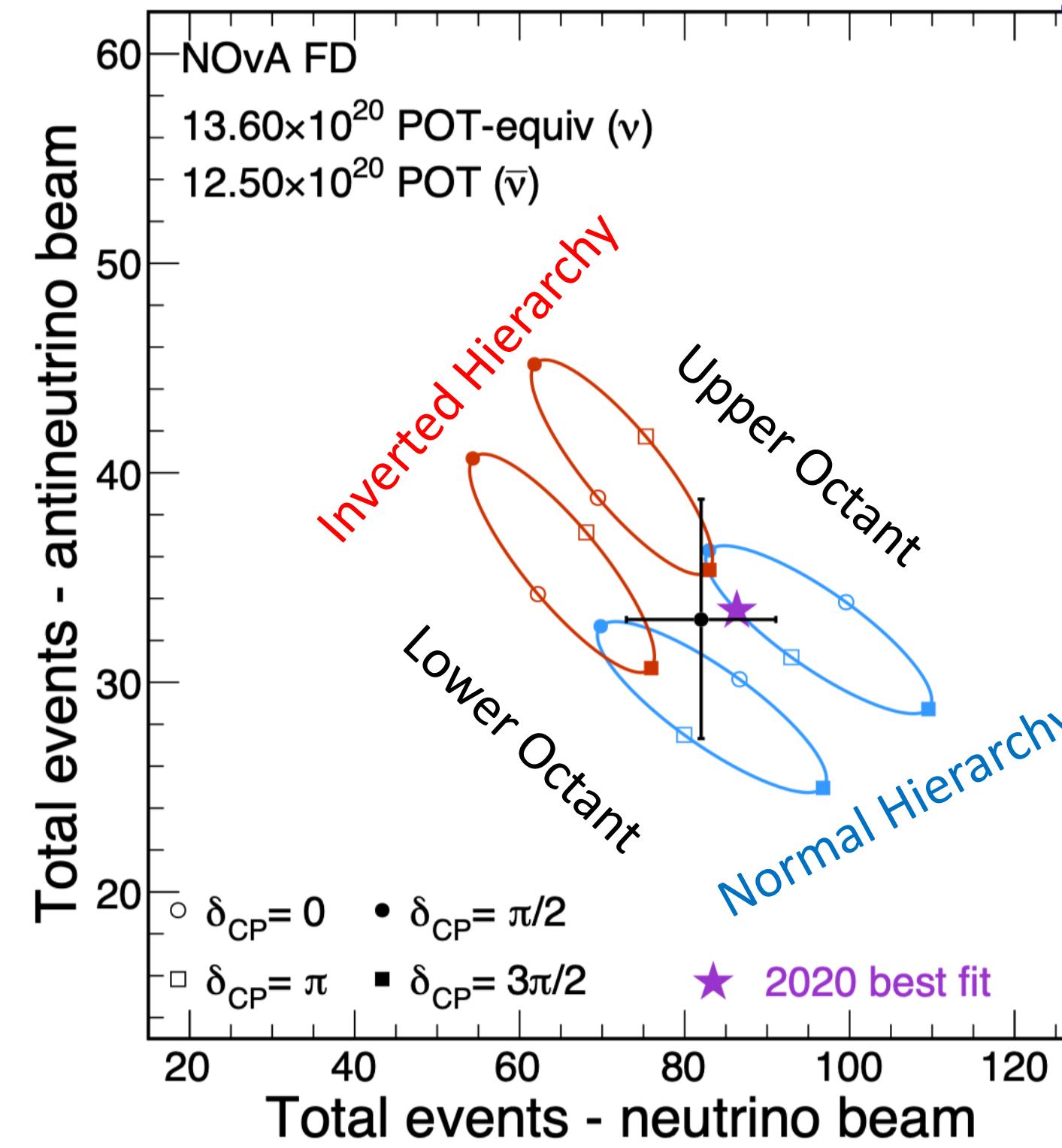


ν_e CC inclusive

- Data (Stat. + Syst.)
- GENIE 2.12.2 - NOvA Tune
- GENIE 2.12.2 - Untuned

- Good agreement between tuned/untuned GENIE versions in all angle slices.

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- We see no strong asymmetry in the rates of appearance of ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$