

Progress on modeling atmospheric leptons at the surface and underground using MCEq; and CHROMO

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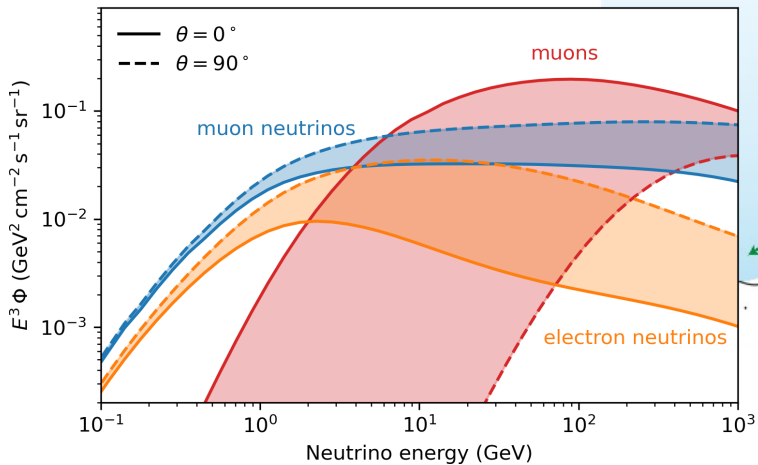
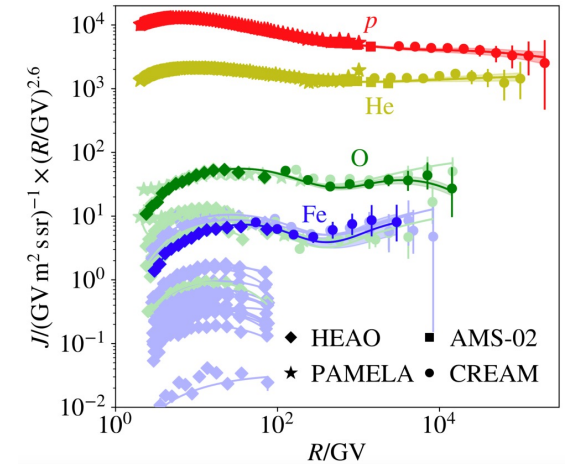
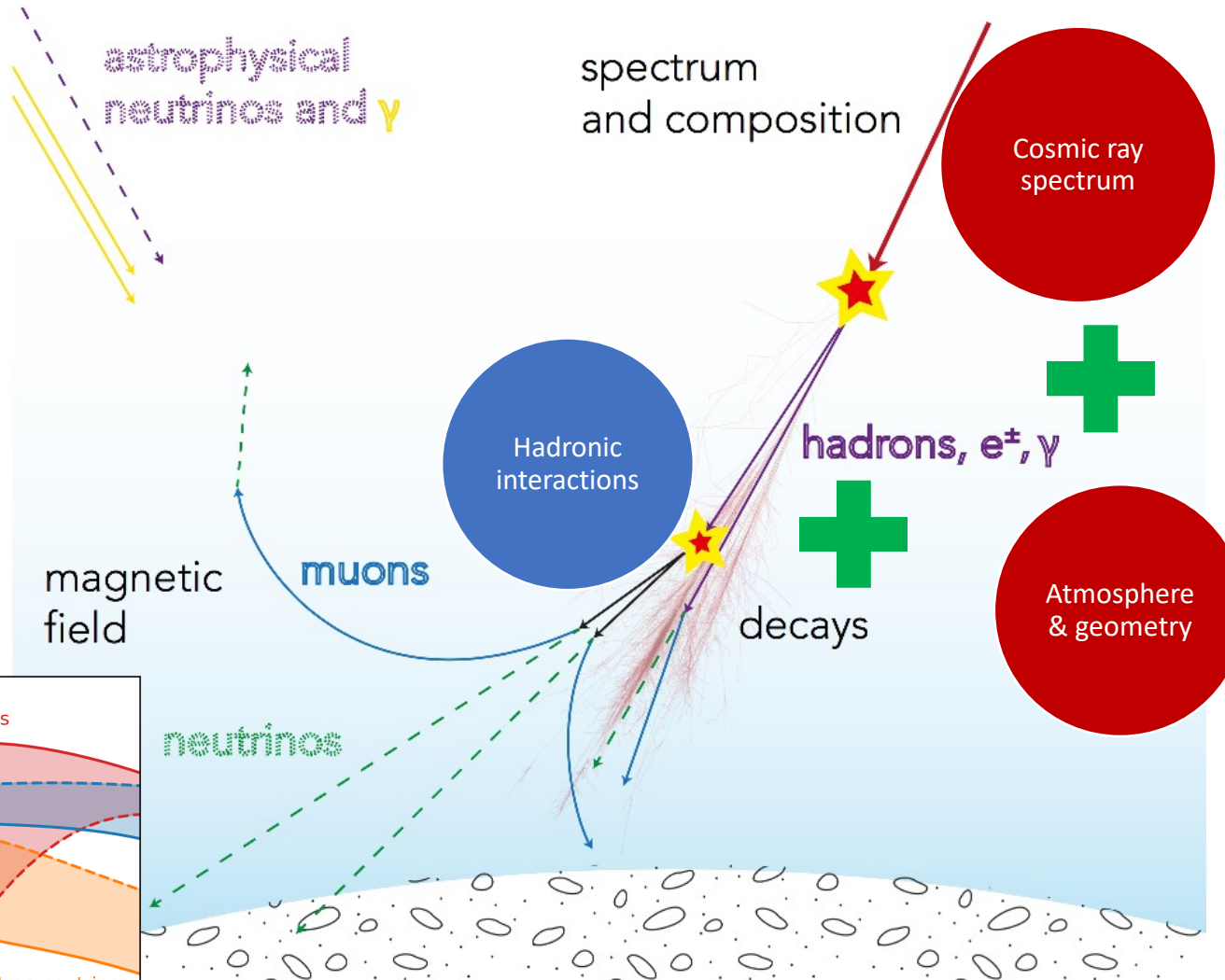


Overview

- New applications of the Matrix-Cascade Equations Code (MCEq)
 - High-precision atmospheric lepton flux model DAEMONFLUX (w/ Juan Pablo Yanez Garza)
 - Deep underground muon using MUTE (w/ William Woodley and Marie-Cecile Piro)
 - 2D MCEq (w/ Tetiana Kozynets and J. Koskinen) (see PRD 108 (2023) or 2306.15263)
- CHROMO: The Cosmic ray and HadRONic interactiOn MOnte-carlo frontend (w/ Anton Prosekin and Hans Dembinski)

Modeling inclusive leptons in the atmosphere

“inclusive” = integrated over CR energy and all other particles at the surface



Transport equations (hadronic cascade equations) in 1D

System of coupled non-linear PDE for each particle species h :

$$\frac{d\Phi_h(E, X)}{dX} = - \frac{\Phi_h(E, X)}{\lambda_{\text{int},h}(E)} \quad \text{cosmic ray physics}$$

$$- \frac{\Phi_h(E, X)}{\lambda_{\text{dec},h}(E, X)} \quad \text{Interactions with air}$$

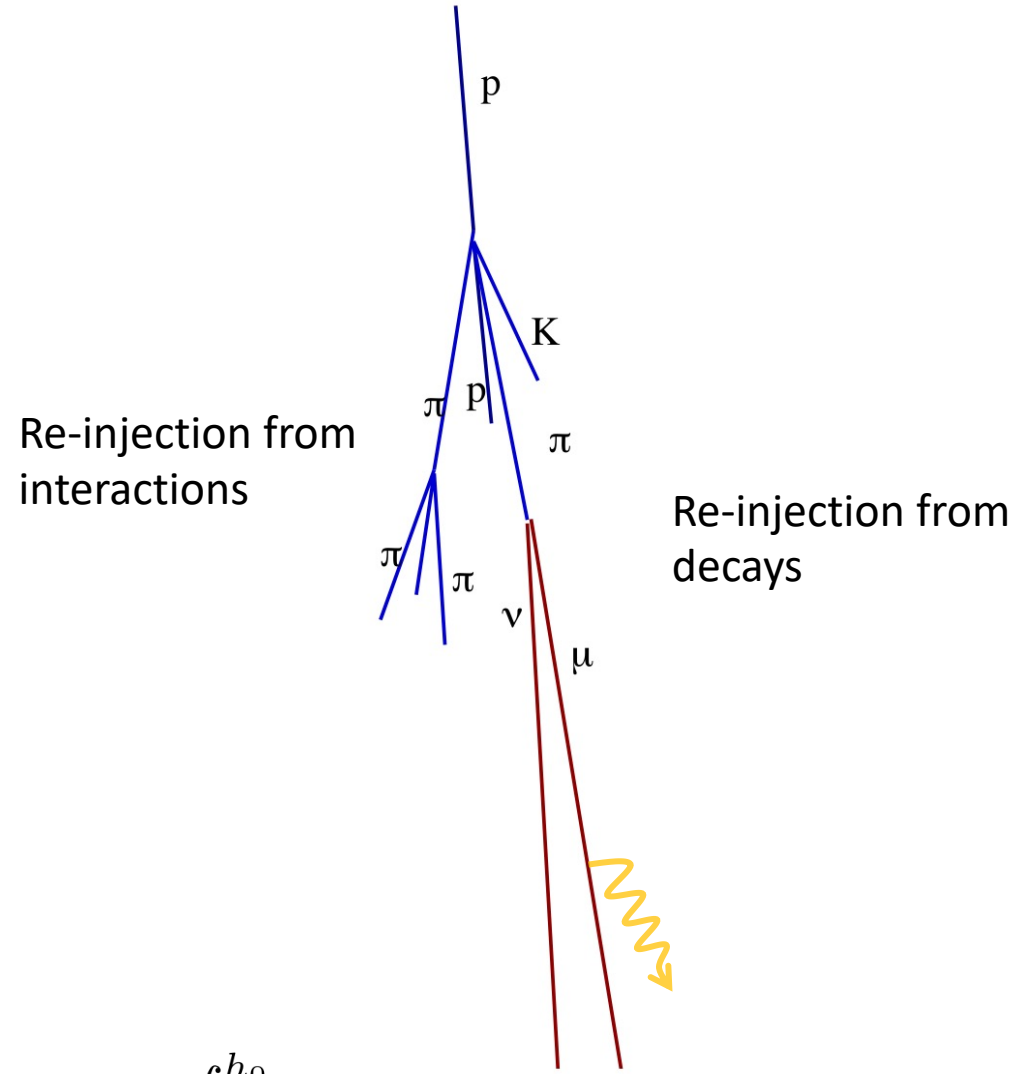
$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial E} (\mu(E) \Phi_h(E, X)) \quad \text{Decays}$$

$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial E} (\mu(E) \Phi_h(E, X)) \quad \text{Continuous losses}$$

$$+ \sum_k \int_E^\infty dE_k \frac{dN_{k(E_k) \rightarrow h(E)}}{dE} \frac{\Phi_k(E_k, X)}{\lambda_{\text{int},k}(E_k)}$$

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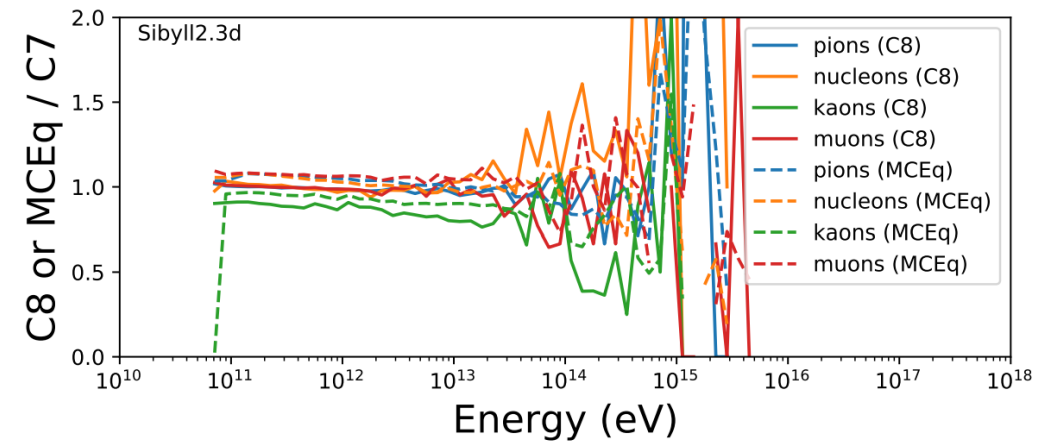
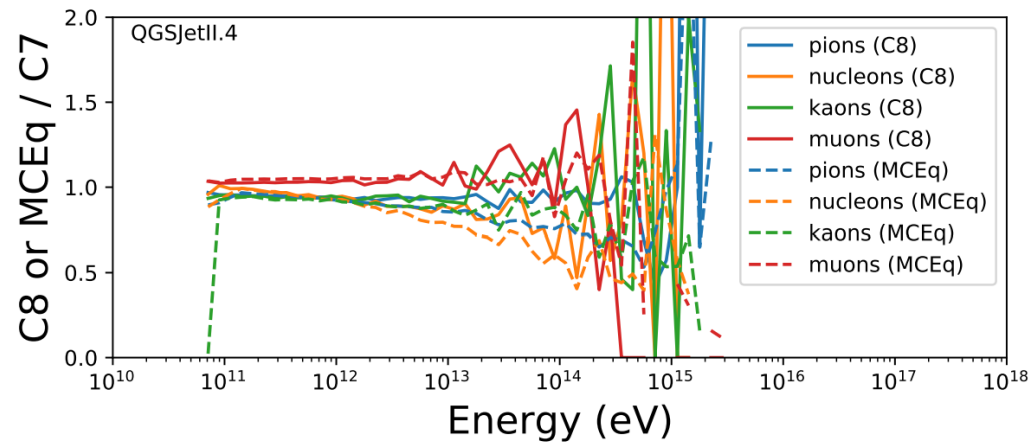
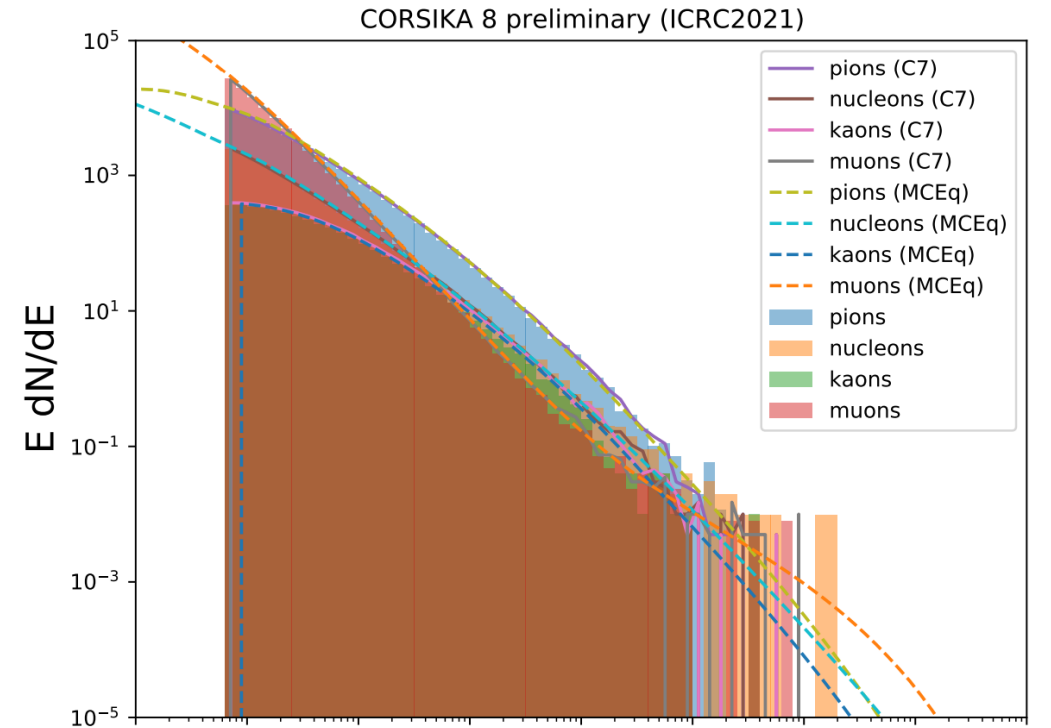
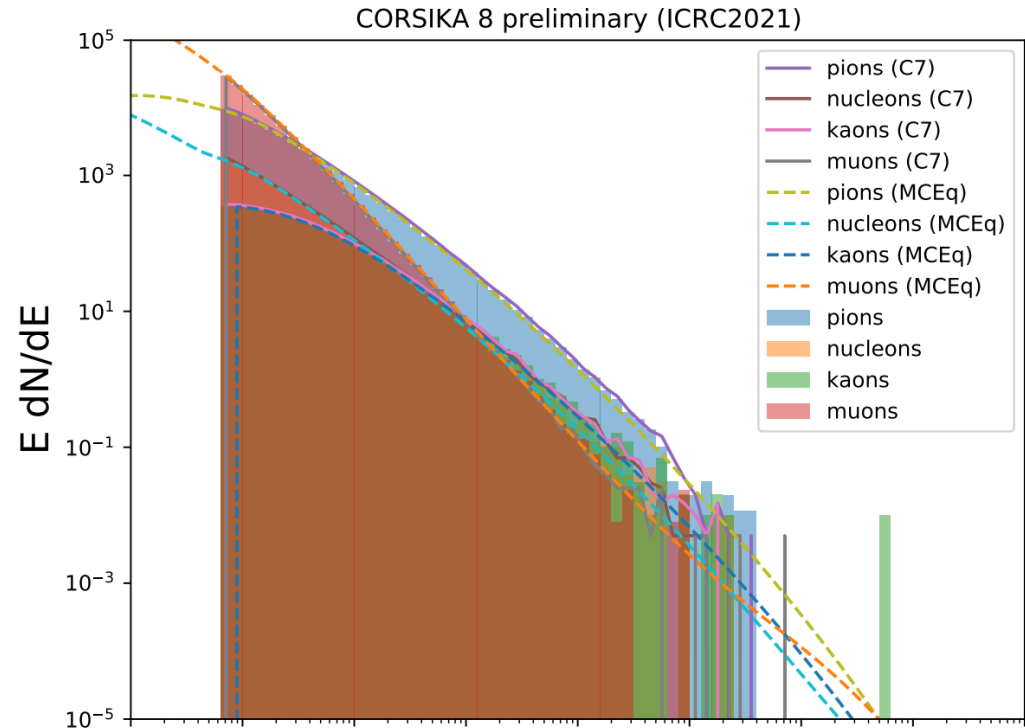
$$\text{particle physics}$$



$$X(h_0) = \int_0^{h_0} dl \rho_{\text{air}}(l)$$

MCEq vs CORSIKA8 particle spectrum (for average air shower)

R. Ulrich et al. for C8 Coll.
PoS(ICRC 2021) 474

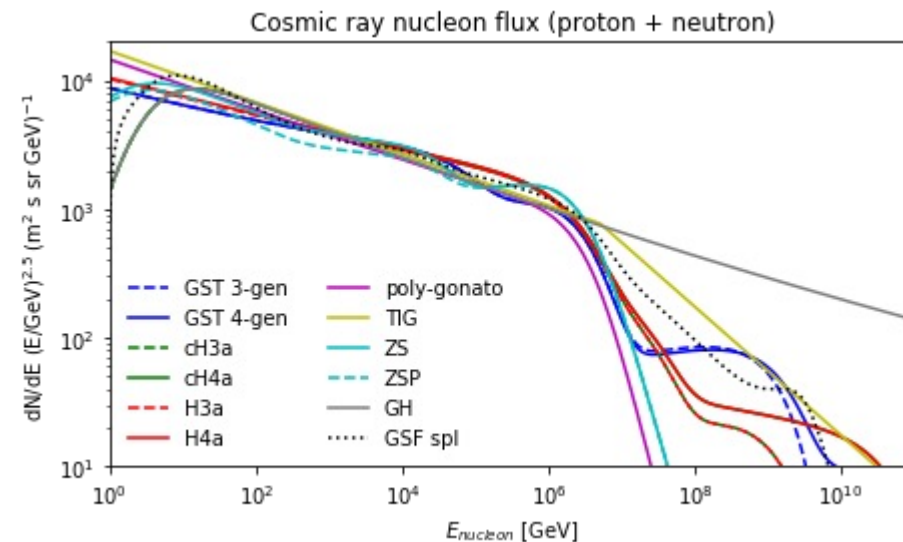


Available models

Hadronic interaction models are:

- SIBYLL*
- SIBYLL-2.3c/d + 2.1
- EPOS-LHC
- QGSJet-II-03/-04
- QGSJet-01c
- DPMJET-III-3.0.6
- DPMJET-III-19.1/-3
- FLUKA (work in progress)
- UrQMD (not public)
- Pythia 8 (not public)

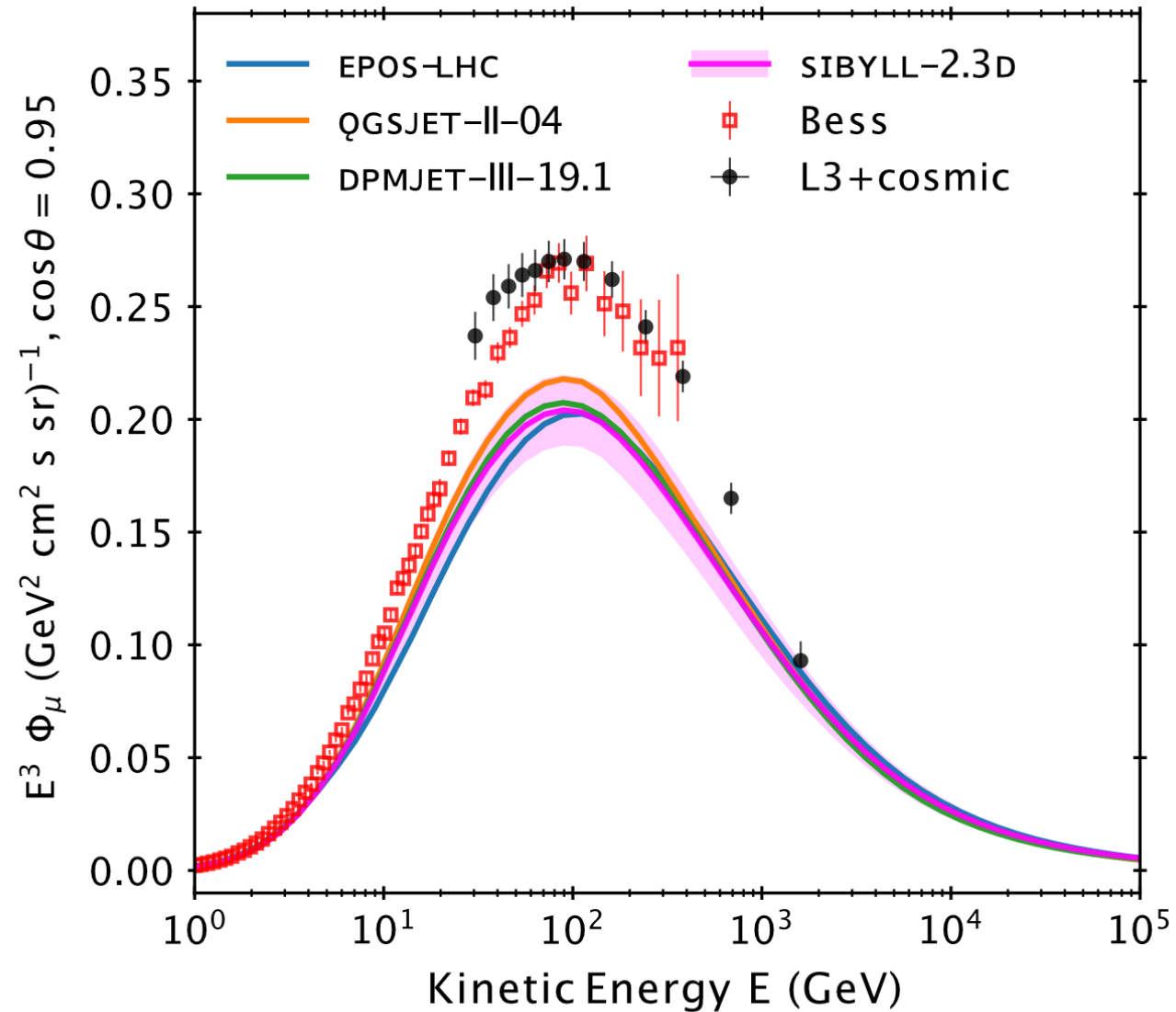
Cosmic ray flux models distributed in [an independent crflux module](#).



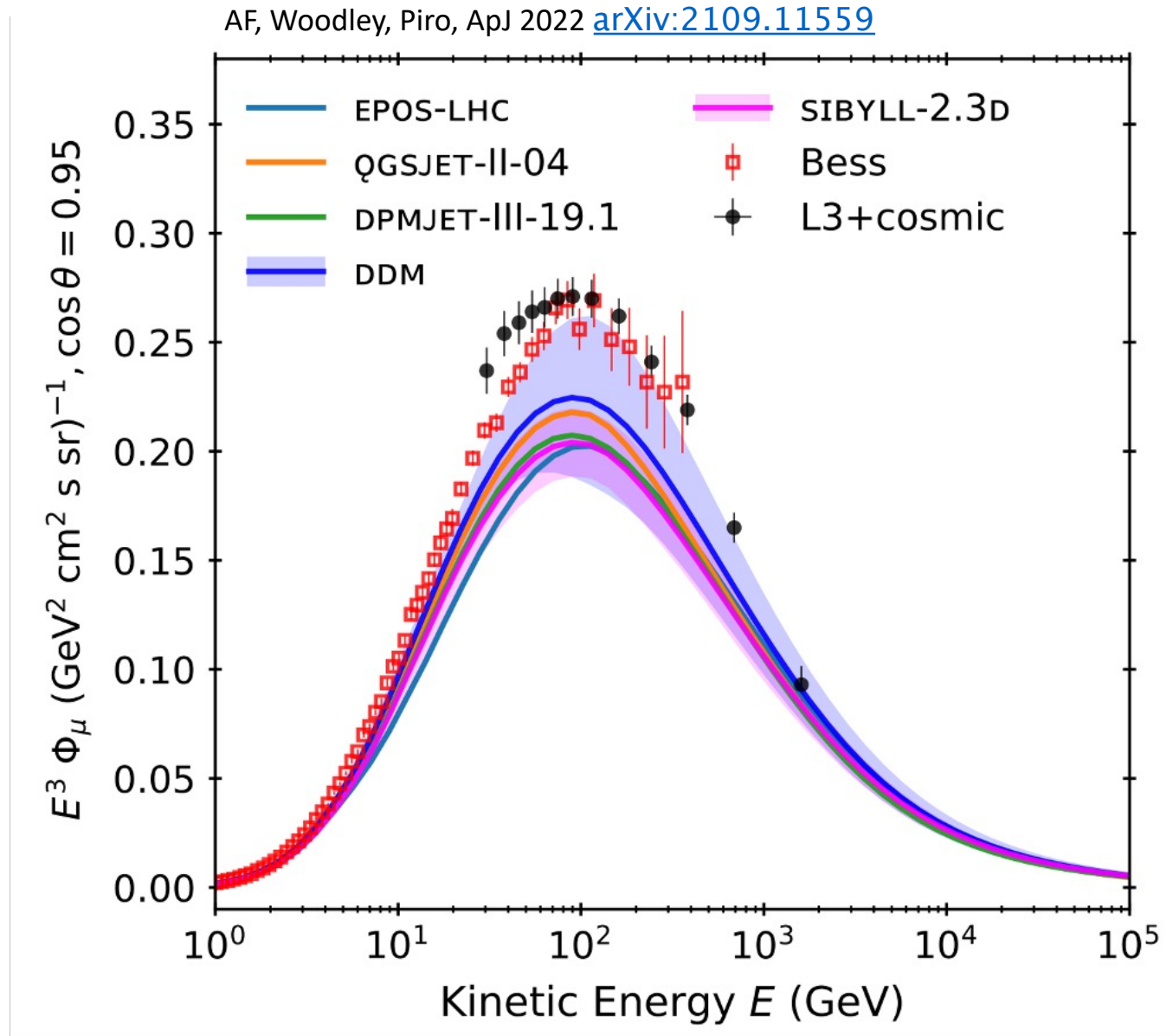
Atmosphere models from

- CORSIKA7 (multiple locations)
- NRLMSISE-00 (global, “static”)
- Some special cases and interface to tabulated atm.

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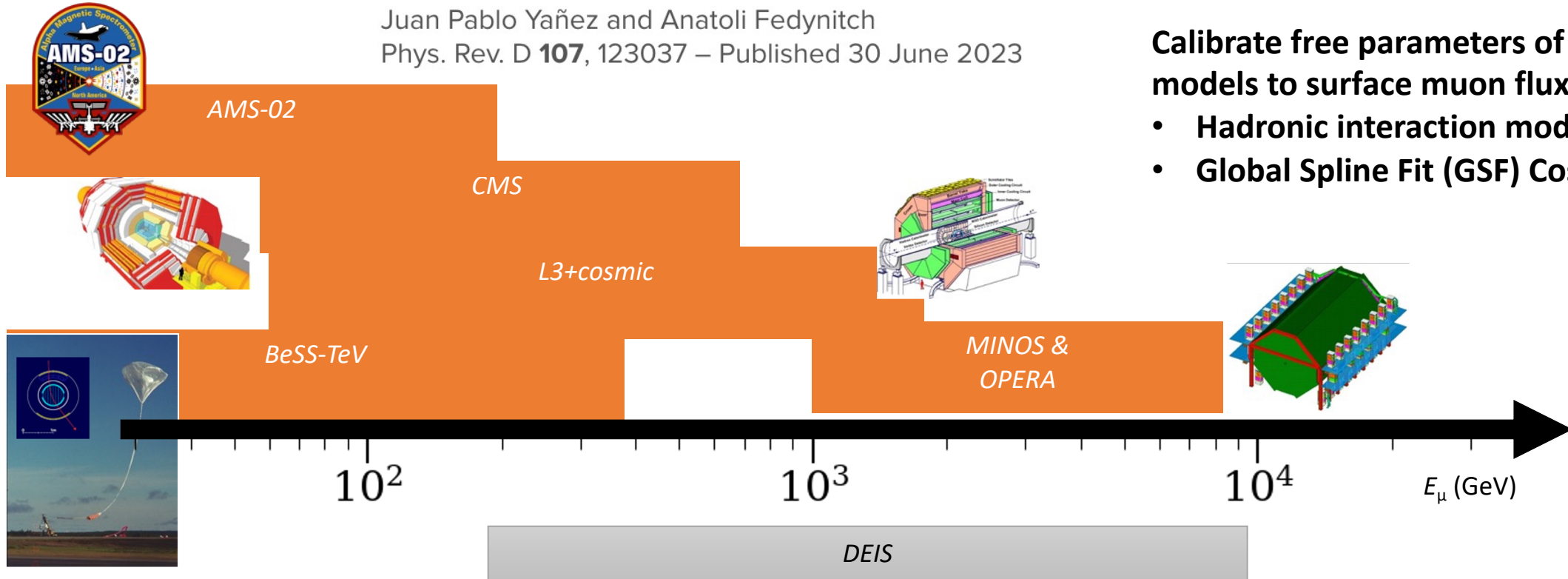


...even when building a hadronic interaction model directly from NA49/61 data (DDM)

See AF & M. Huber, PRD, arXiv:2205.14766

daemonflux: Data-driven muon-calibrated neutrino flux

Juan Pablo Yañez and Anatoli Fedynitch
 Phys. Rev. D **107**, 123037 – Published 30 June 2023

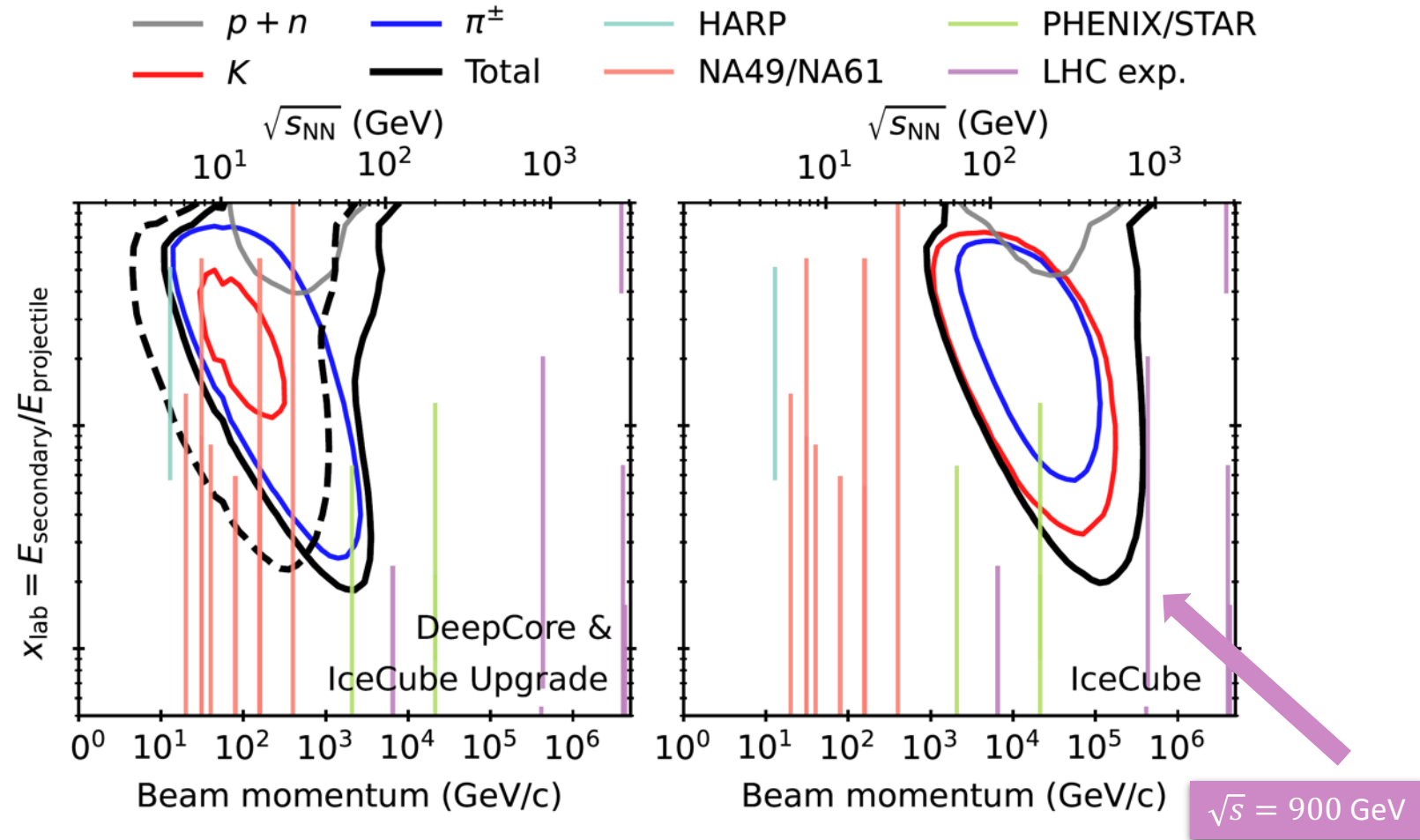


- Calibrate free parameters of the data-driven models to surface muon fluxes:**
- Hadronic interaction model DDM
 - Global Spline Fit (GSF) Cosmic Ray Flux

Experiment	Energy (GeV)	Measurements	Unit	Systematics	Location	Altitude	Zenith range
BESS-TeV [44]	0.6-400	Φ_μ	p_μ	C	36.2°N, 140.1°W	30 m	0-25.8°
CMS [45]	5-1000	R_{μ^+/μ^-}	p_μ	Q	46.31°N, 6.071°E	420 m	$p \cos \theta_z$
L3+C [46]	20-3000	$\Phi_\mu, R_{\mu^+/\mu^-}$	p_μ	C	46.25°N, 6.02°E	450 m	0-58°
DEIS [47]	5-10000	Φ_μ	p_μ	Q	32.11°N, 34.80°E	5 m	78.1-90°
MUTRON [48]	80-10000	R_{μ^+/μ^-}	p_μ	Q	35.67°N, 139.70°E	5 m	87-90°
MINOS [49]	1000-7000	R_{μ^+/μ^-}	E_μ	C	47.82°N, 92.24°W	5 m	unfolded
OPERA [50]	891-7079	R_{μ^+/μ^-}	E_μ	Q	42.42°N, 13.51°E	5 m	$E \cos \theta^*$

Hadron production phase space seen by neutrino detectors

- Oscillation target energies covered by data from fixed target experiments
- IceCube energies not well covered by accelerator data
- LHC energies too high
- Shared production phase-space for parent mesons of muons and neutrinos
- Optimizal description of atm. Muon data \rightarrow improved atm. neutrinos

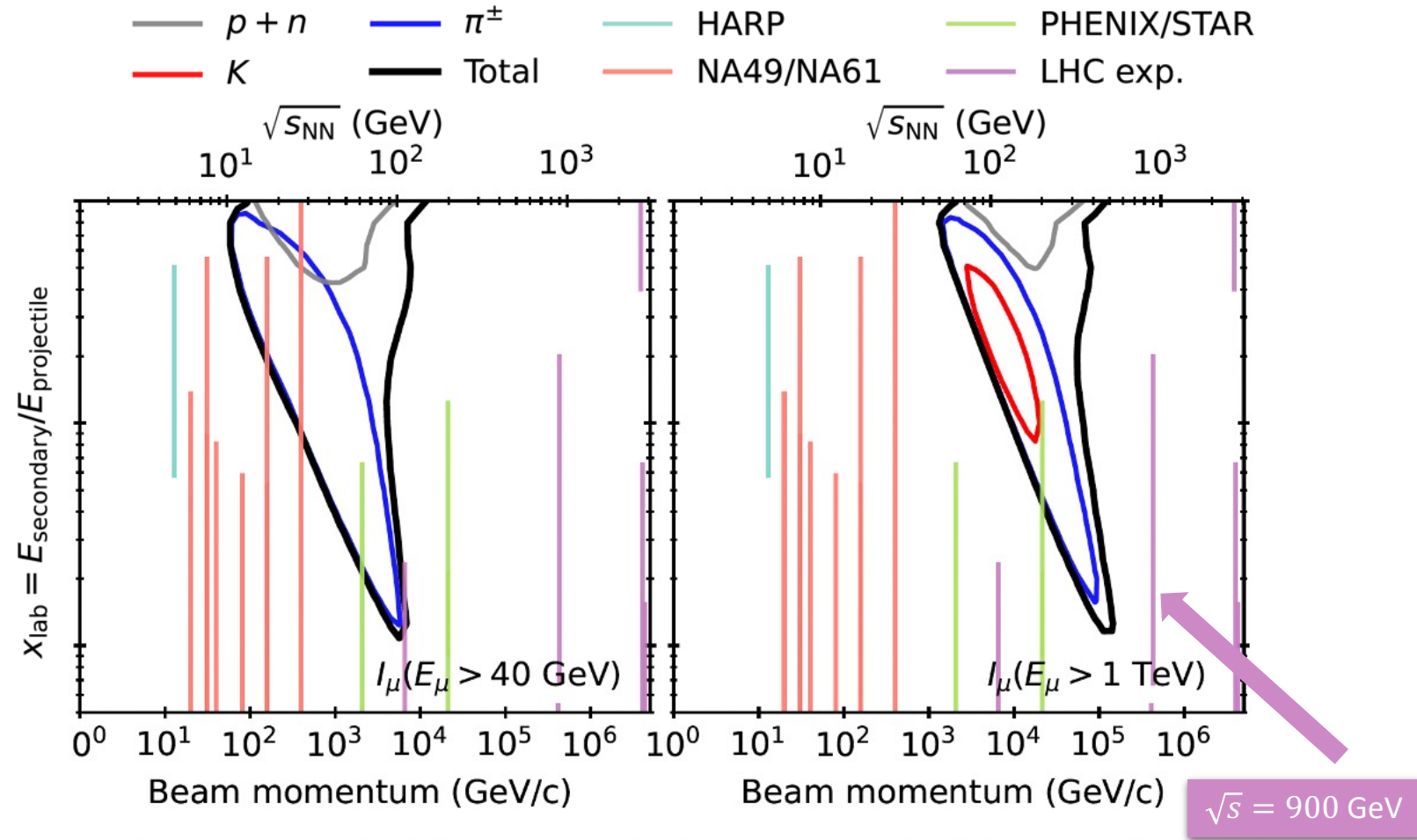


DeepCore :
tracks, $E_{\text{reco}} < 60$ GeV (osc.)

IceCube Northern Tracks
(muon neutrinos)

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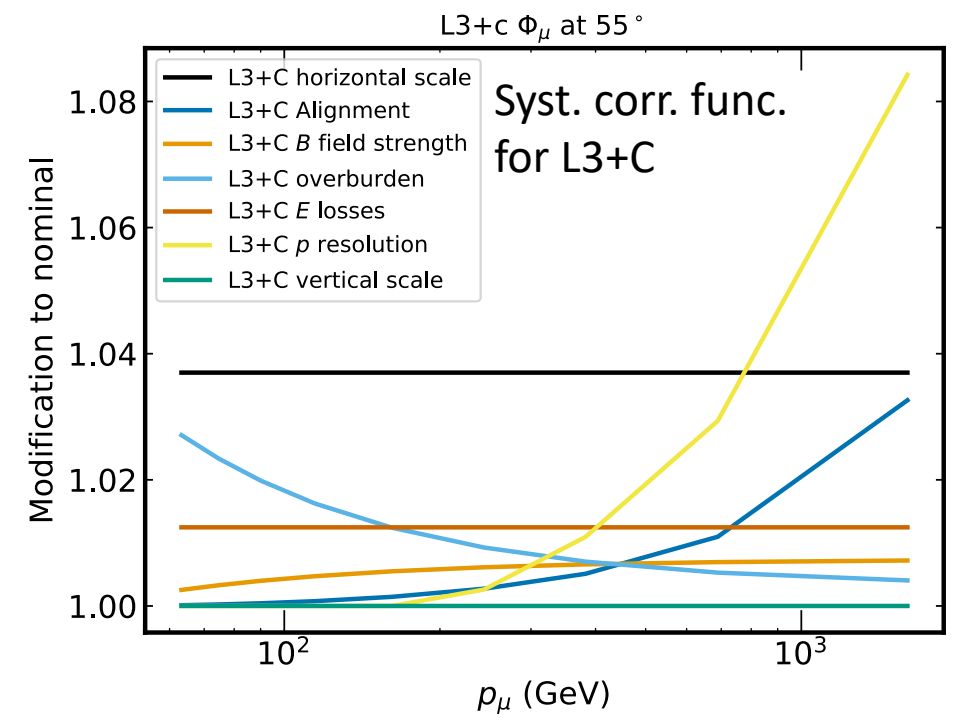
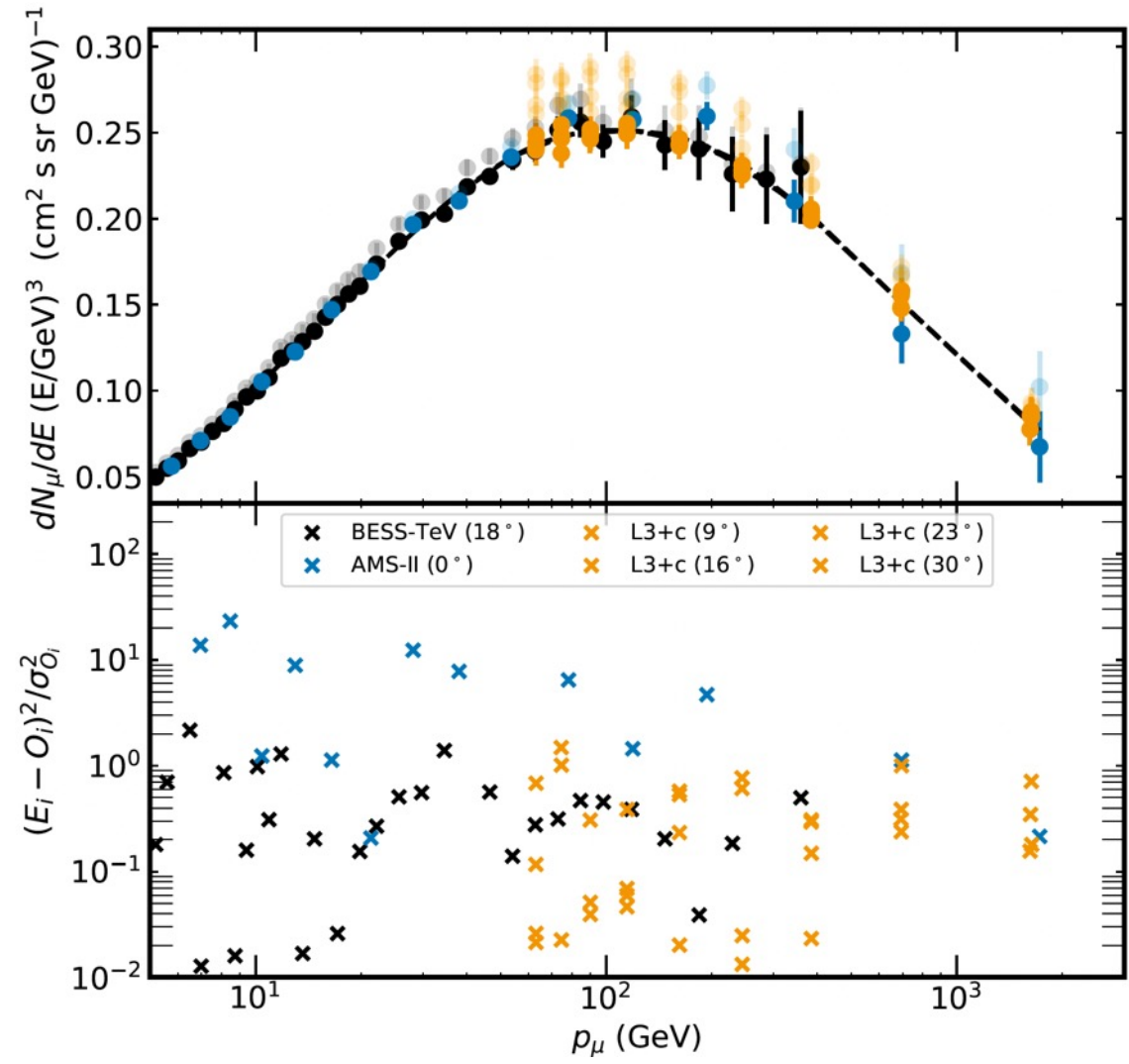
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Integrated muon flux at the surface: $E > 40 \text{ GeV}$

Integrated muon flux at the surface: $E > 1 \text{ TeV}$

Select data & test compatibility

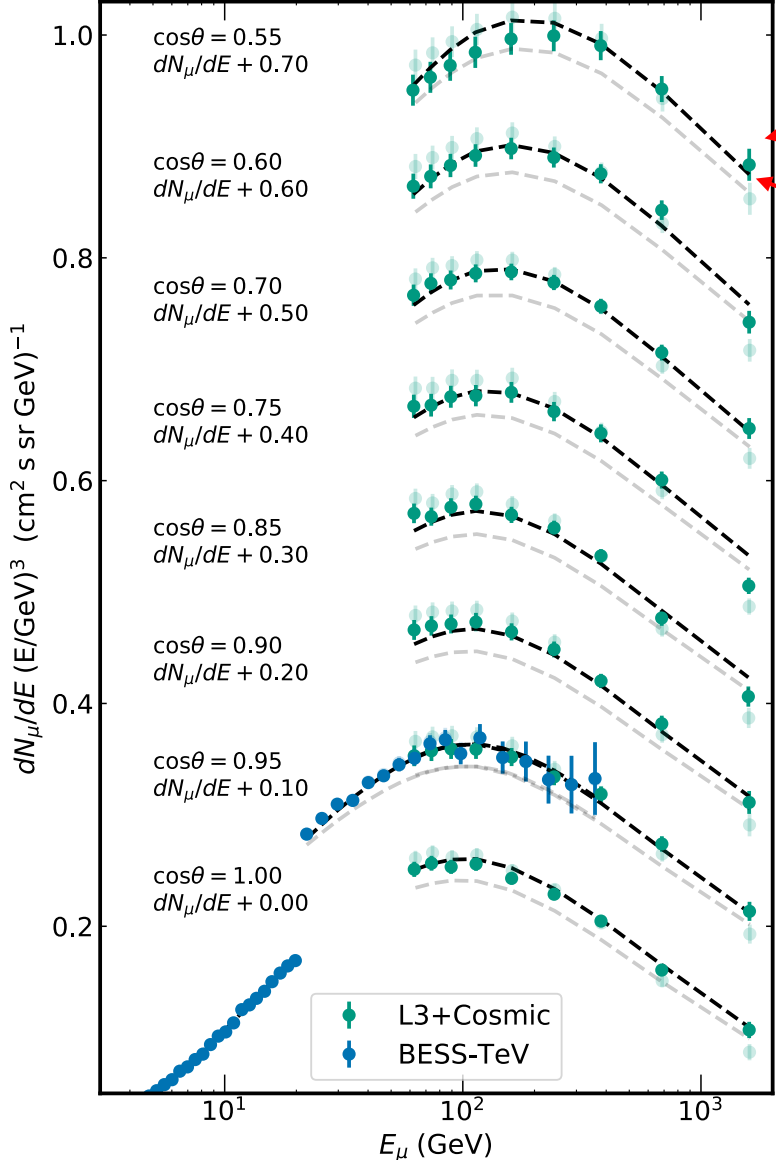


- Fit spline in common zenith band with the only requirement that flux has to be smooth. Fit systematic corrections.

- **Exclude experiments**, which either are
 - not mutually compatible, or
 - statistically not significant
- or
 - AMS (unpublished PhD thesis)
 - MARS (no competition to BESS)
 - MUTRON (unclear systematics)
 - DEIS (formally OK, but induces strange pulls)

Resulting muon fluxes and cross-calibrated data

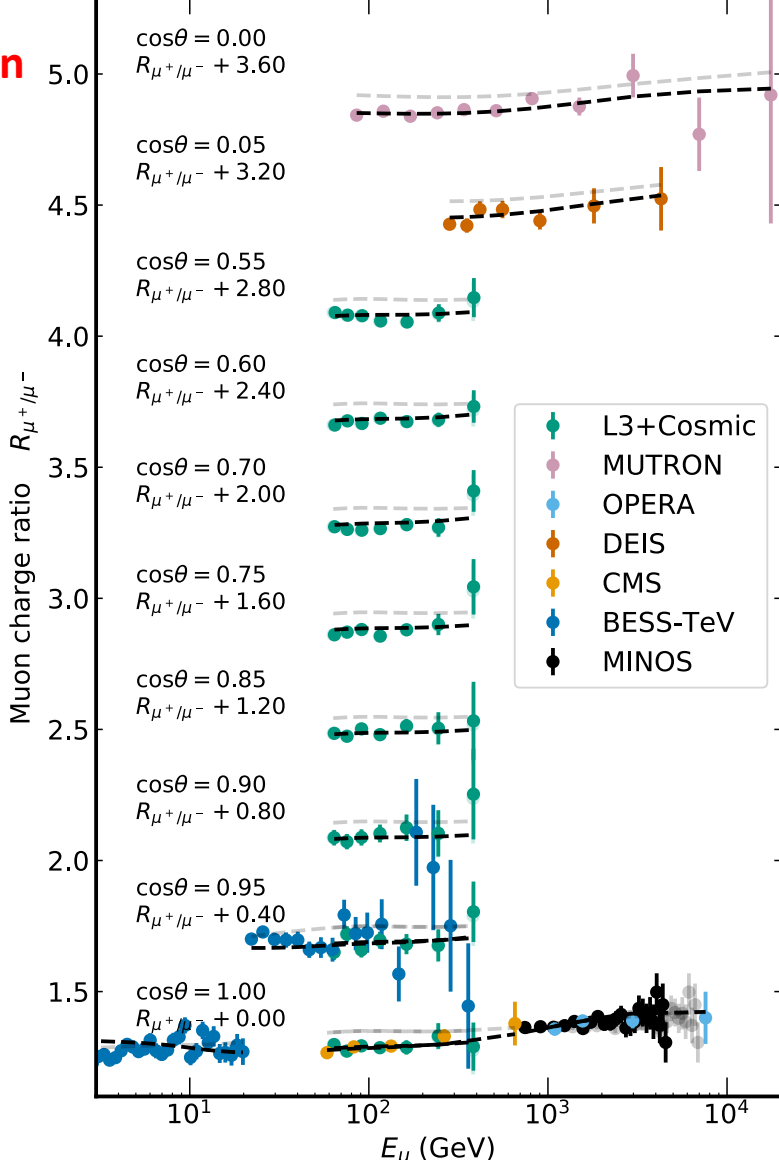
Muon flux



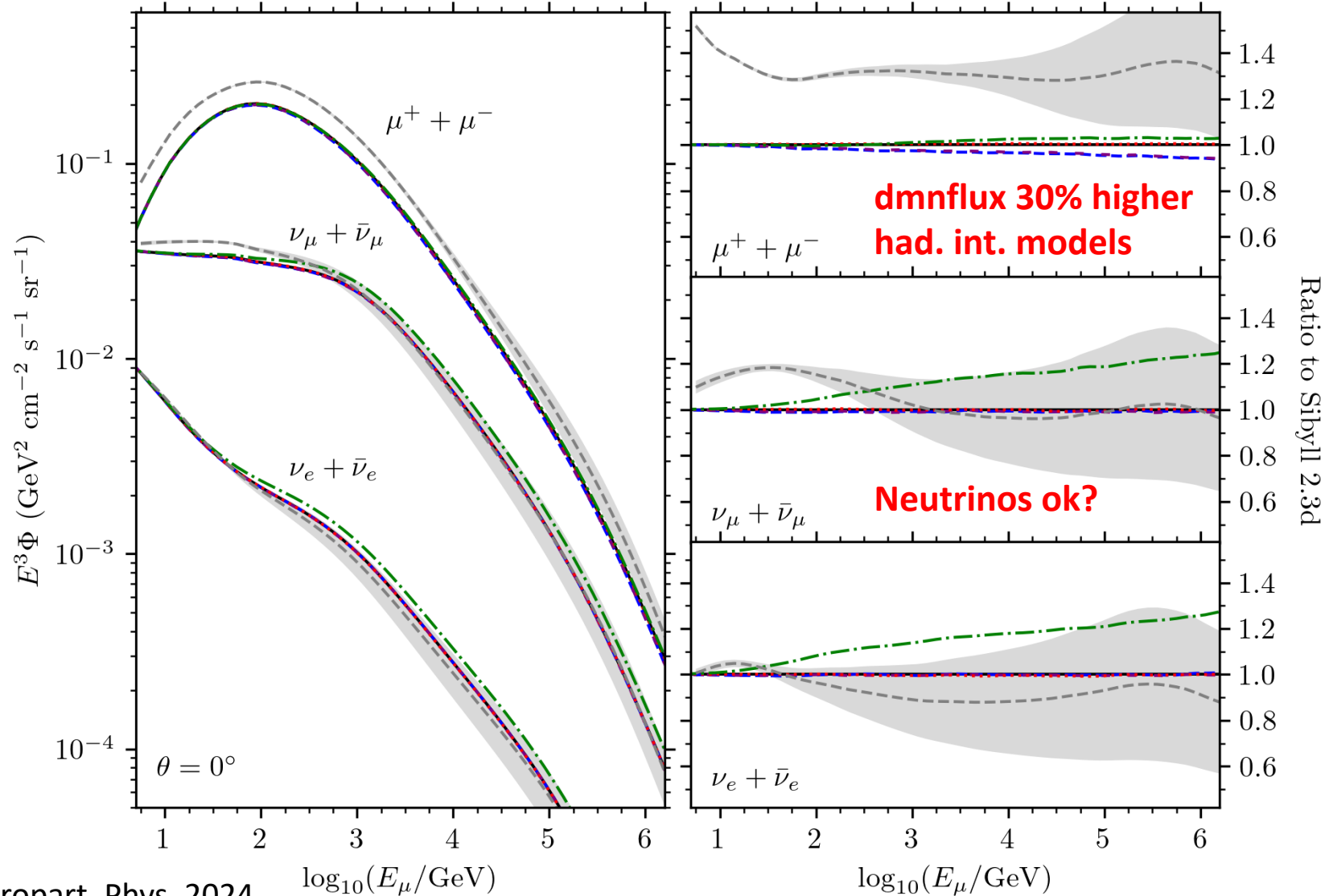
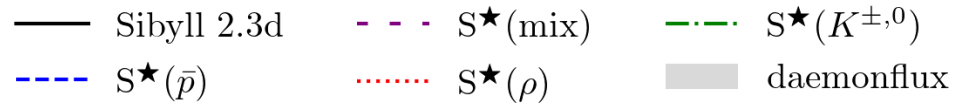
Data w/ syst. correction

Data w/o syst. correction

Muon charge ratio



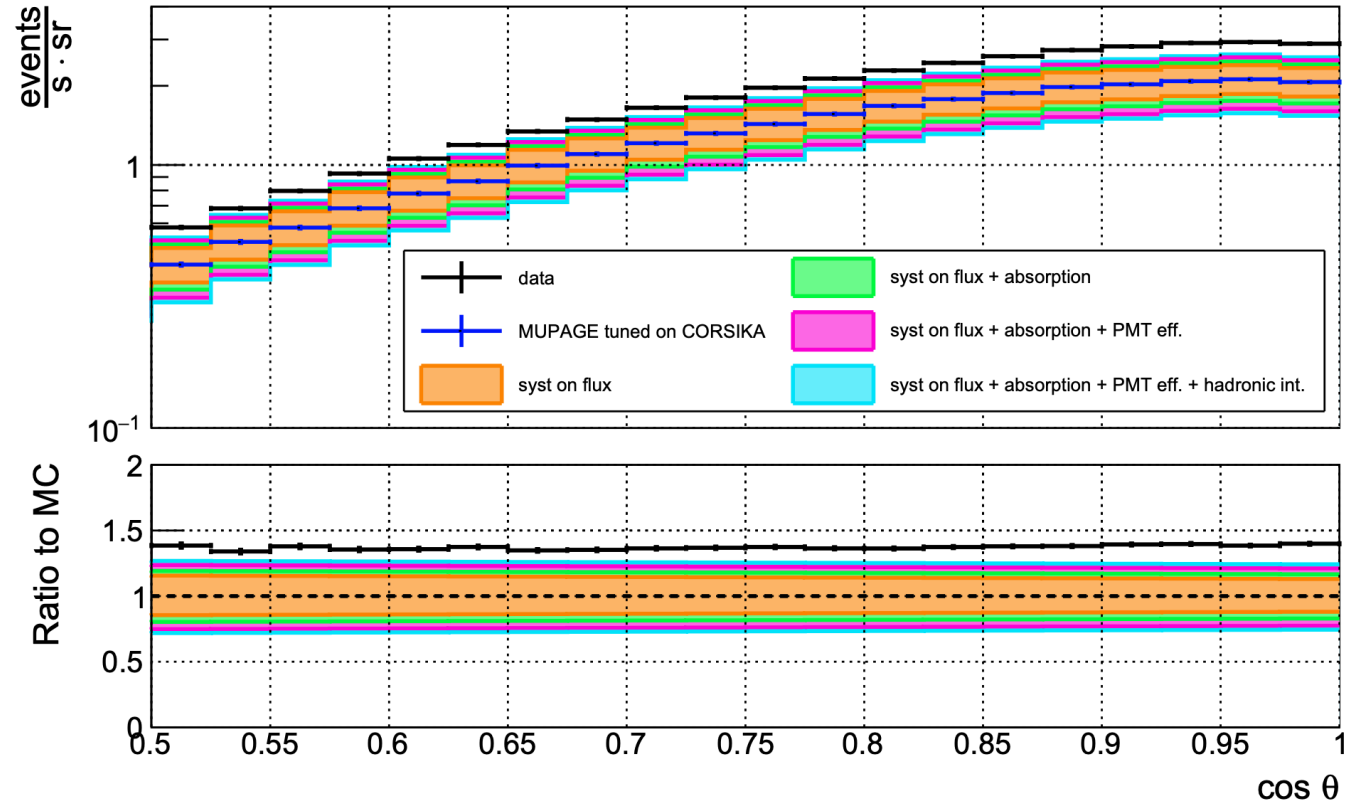
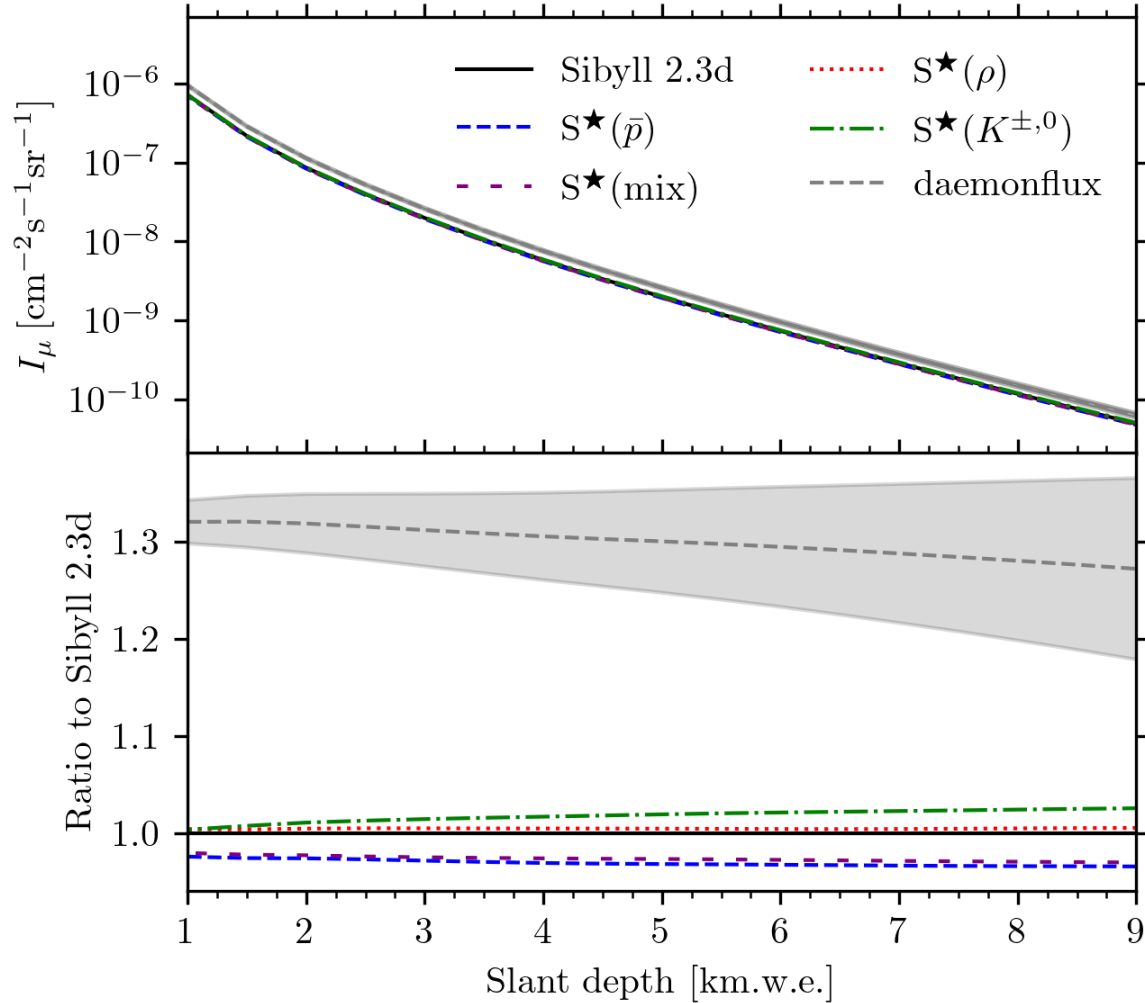
SIBYLL* vs data-driven muon-calibrated model (daemonflux)



Daemonflux vs models underground and underwater data

A. Romanov et al. (KM3NeT), PoS(ICRC2023) 338 & 2403.11946

KM3NeT/ORCA6

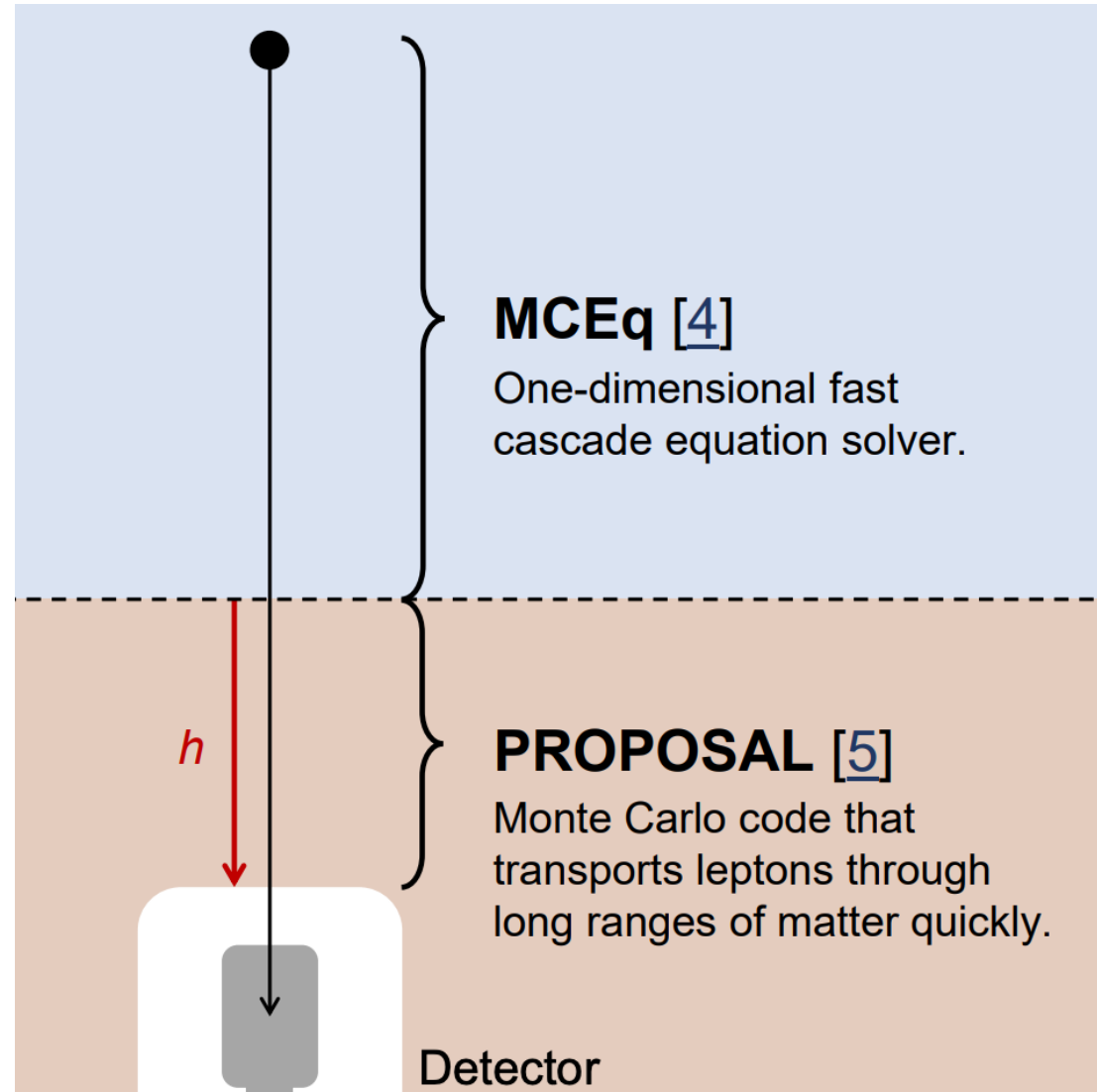
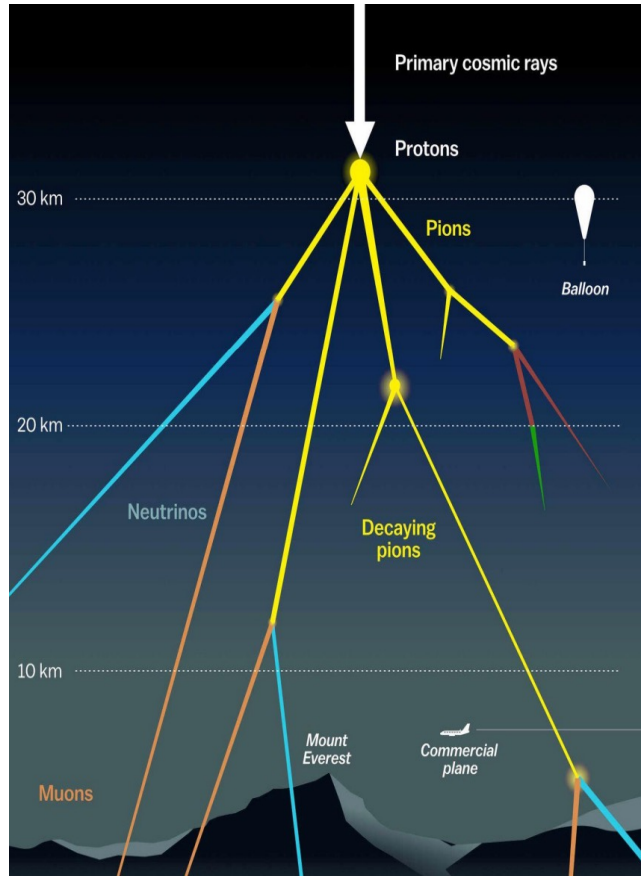


KM3NeT MC tuned to SIBYLL2.3c + GSF using CORSIKA

> 30% discrepancy!

High energy constraints from underground μ ?

W. Woodley (UofA), TeVPA 2022



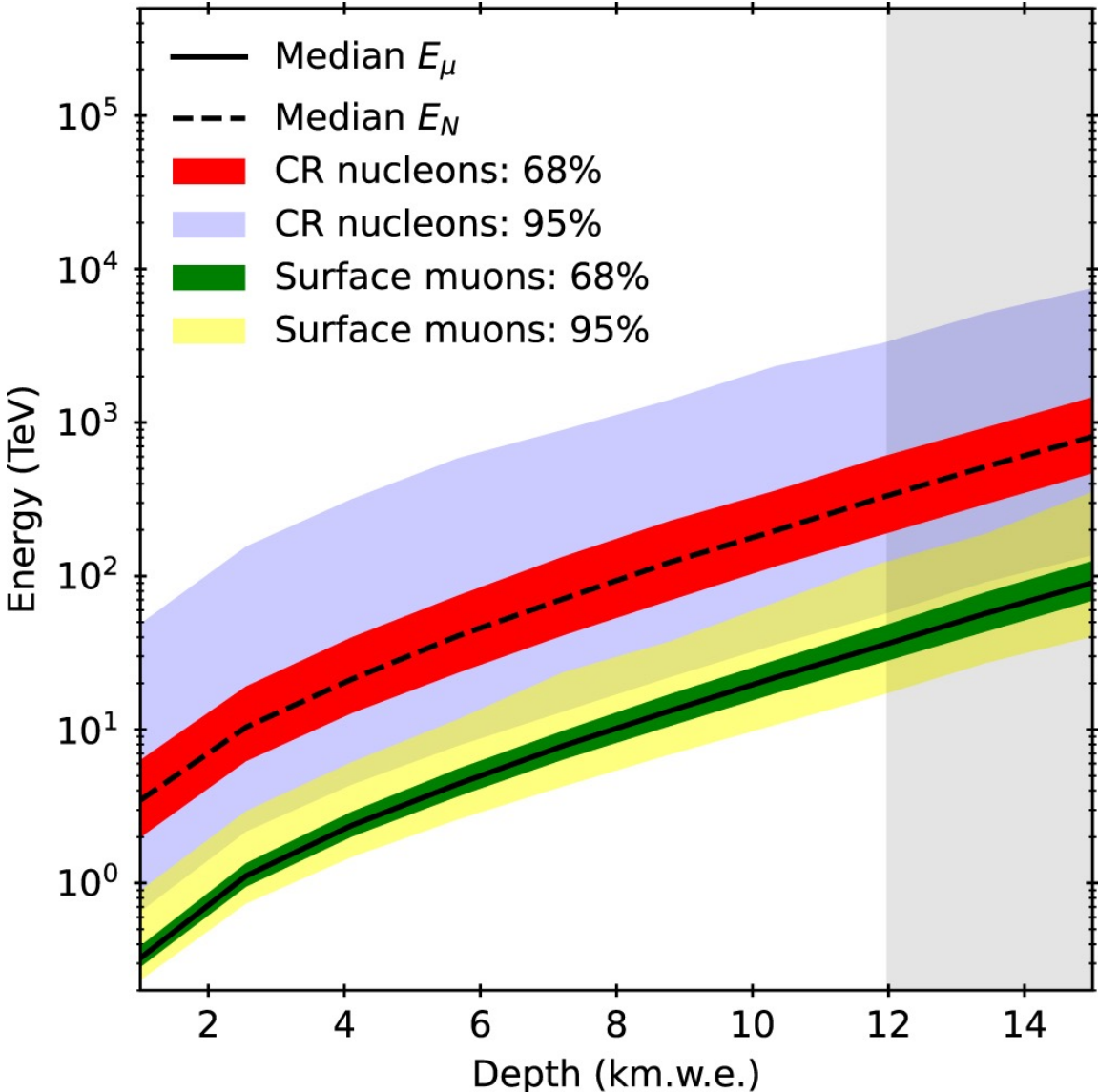
MUTE (Muon Intensity code)

<https://github.com/wjwoodley/mute>

AF, W. Woodley, M.-C. Piro, *ApJ* 928 27 (2022)

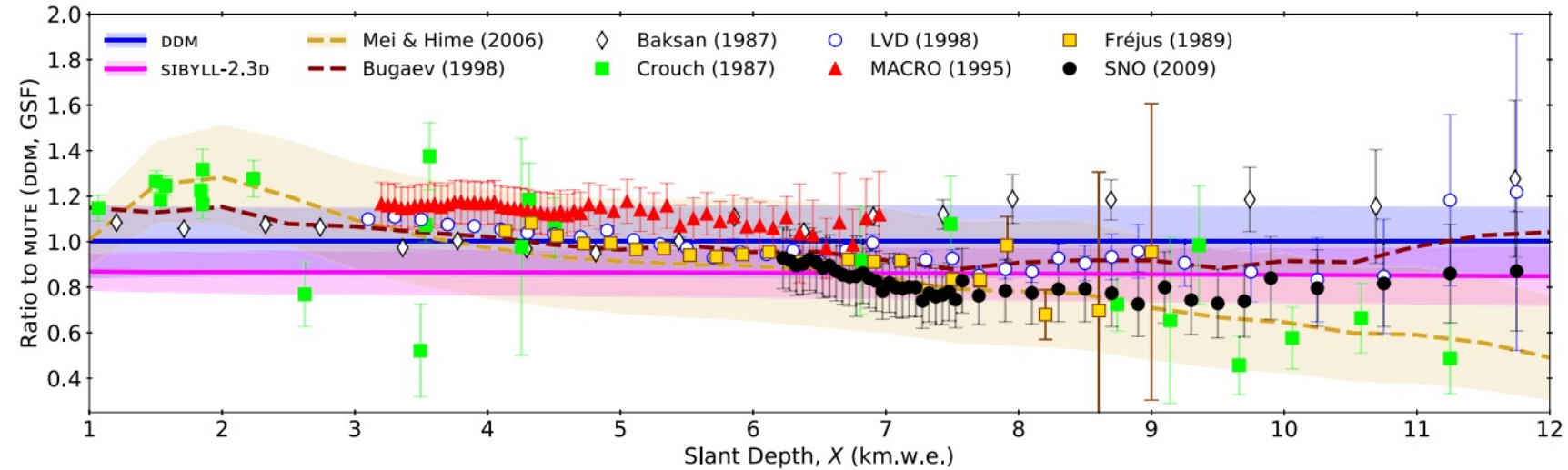
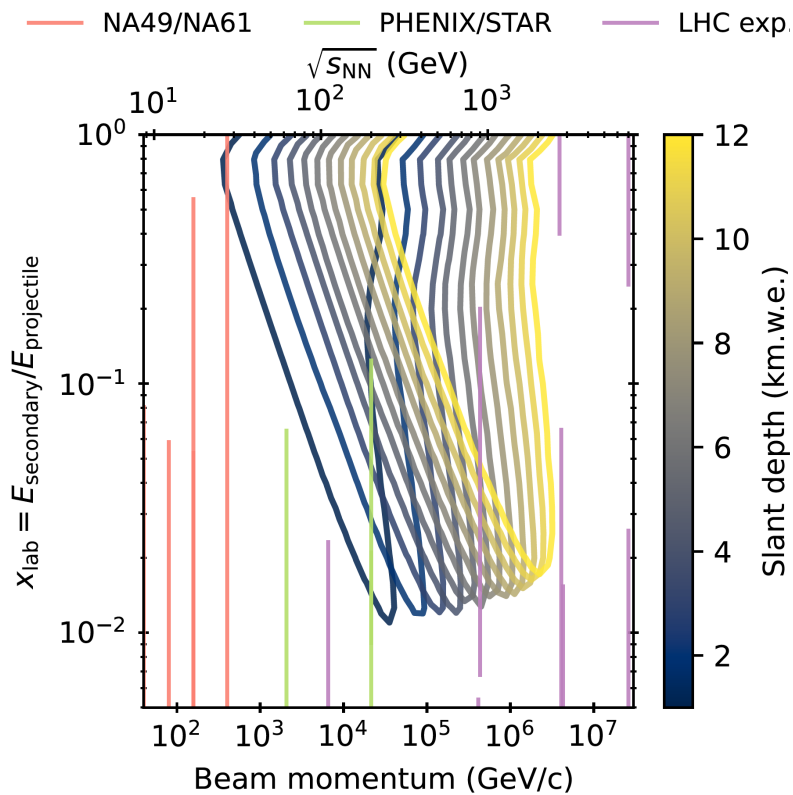
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Relation of depth to surface and CR energy



MUTE v1: Studying vertical-equivalent muon intensities

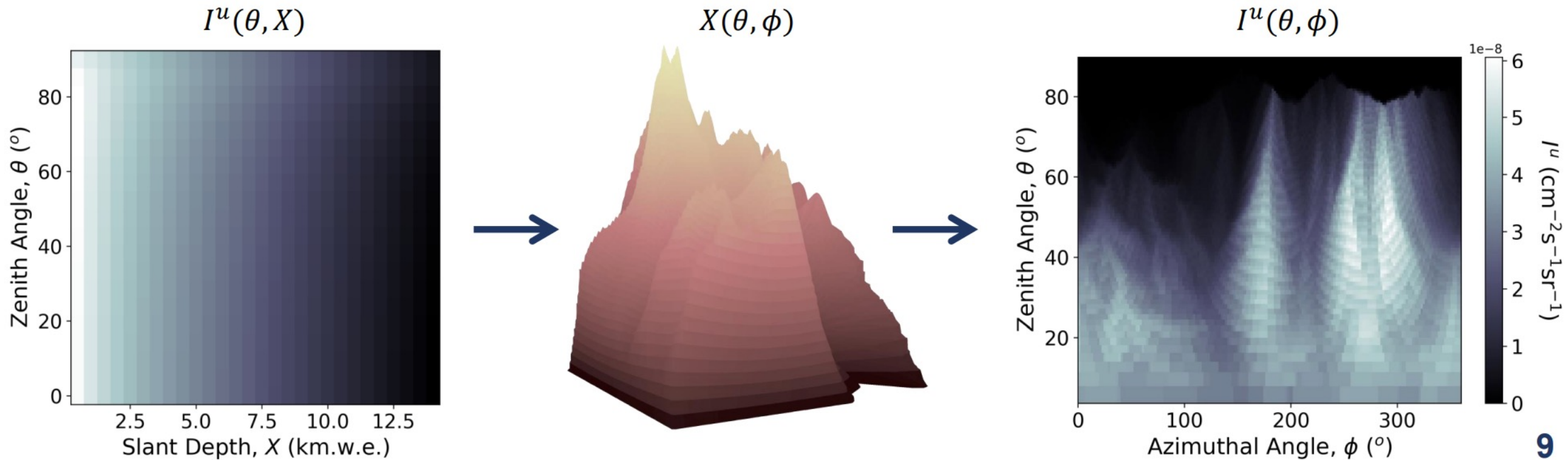
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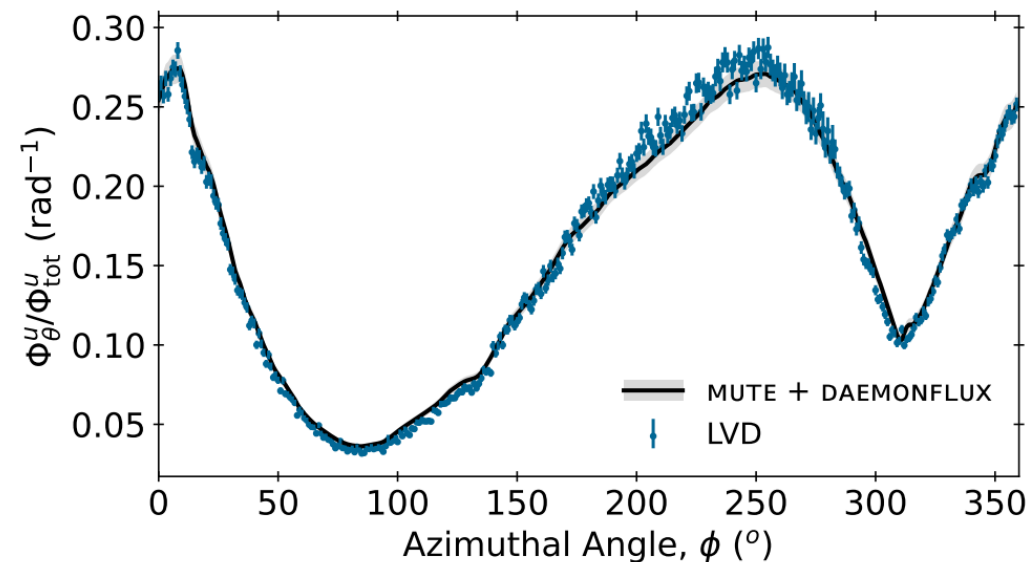
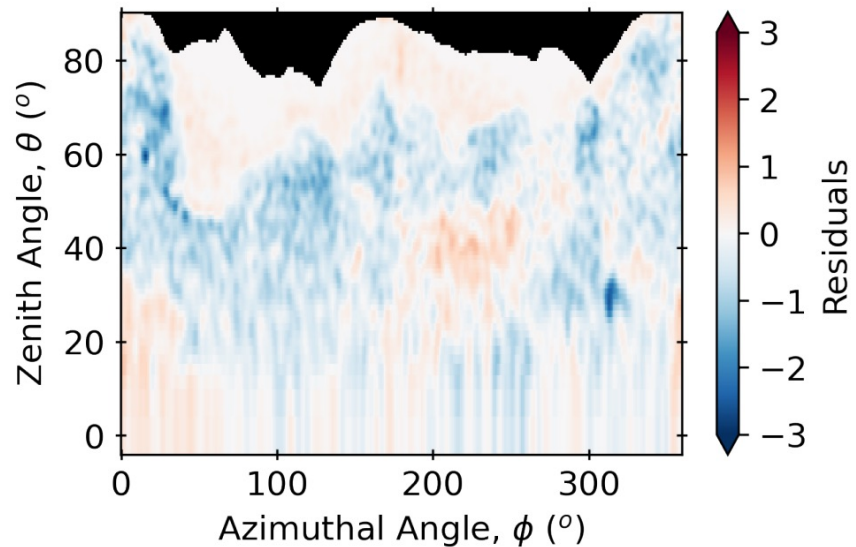
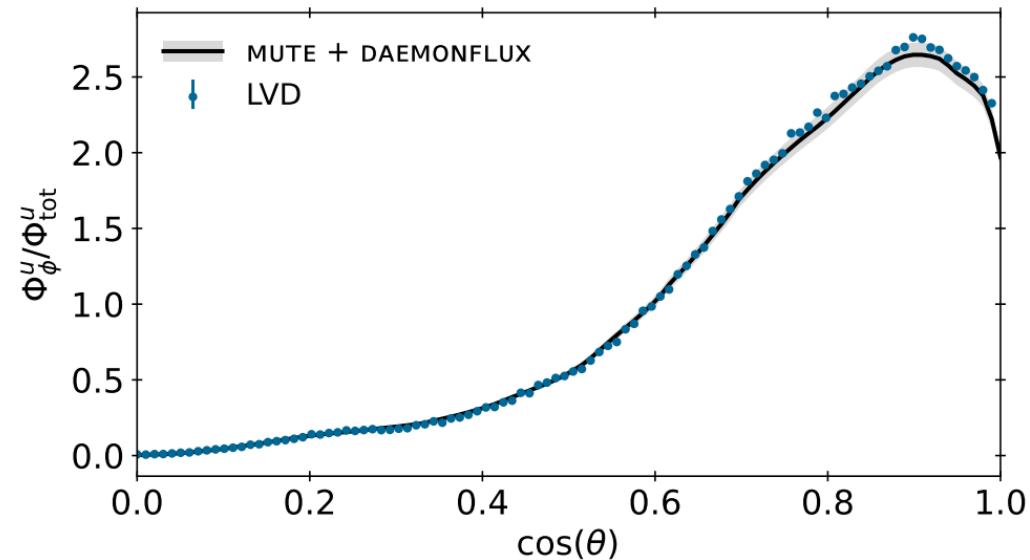
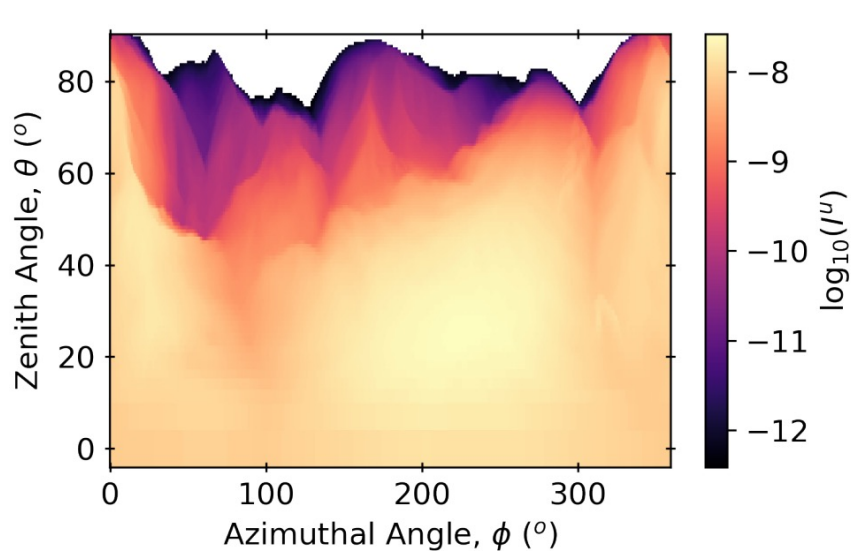
- Calculate vertical equivalent rate using MCEq + PROPOSAL using a convolution method
- Use vertical-equivalent data from underground labs
- Labs under mountains correct or “unfold” the data to equivalent depths
- → not very direct measurement

MUTE v2-3: Muon flux for labs under mountains

$$\Phi^u = \iint_{\Omega} I^u(X(\theta, \phi), \theta) d\Omega.$$



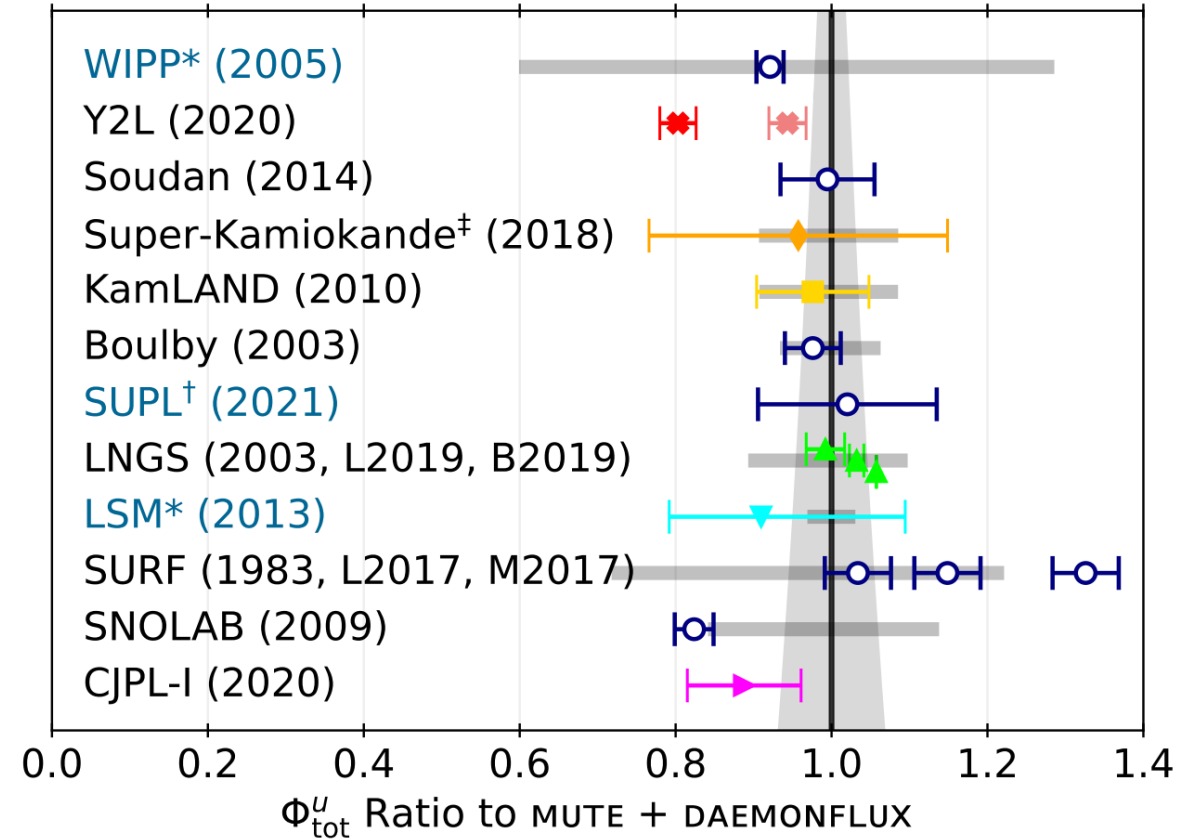
Angular dependence in LVD (Gran Sasso)



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- Need to model chemical composition
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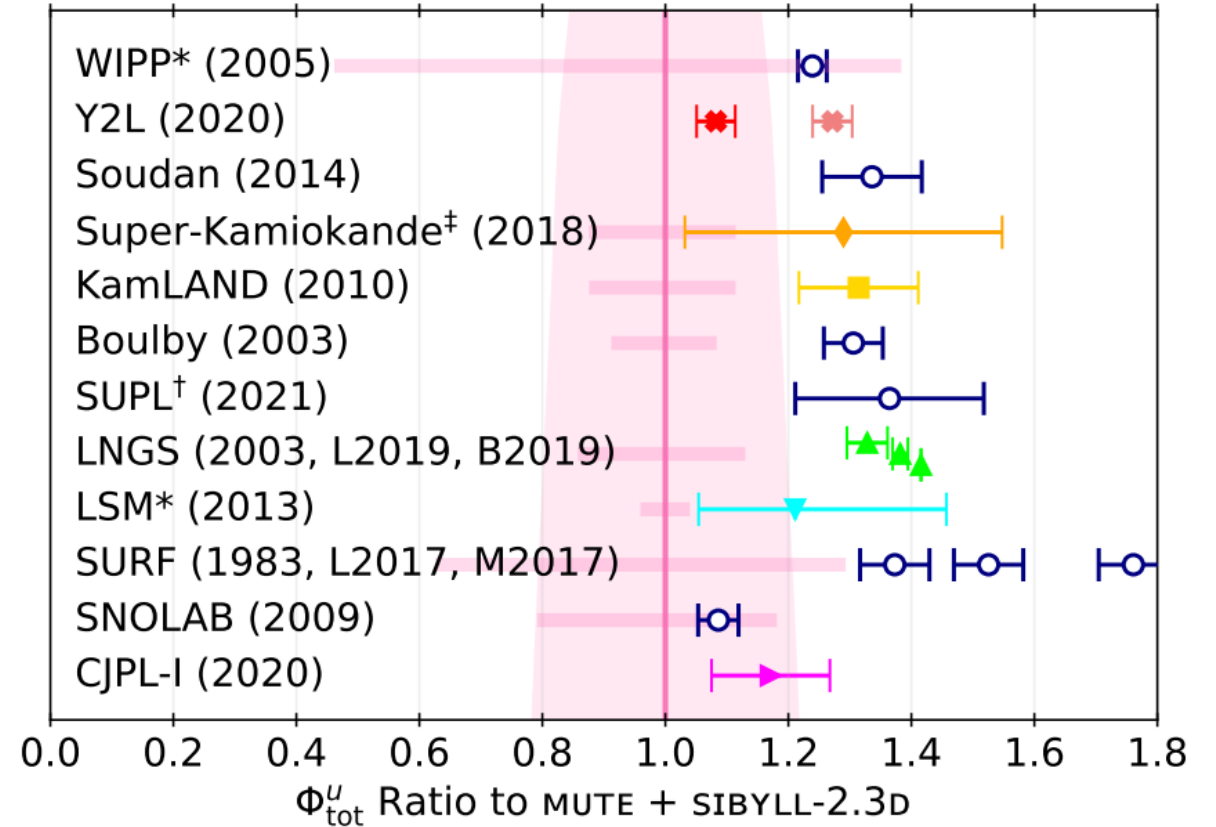
Daemonflux at the surface



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SIBYLL 2.3d at the surface



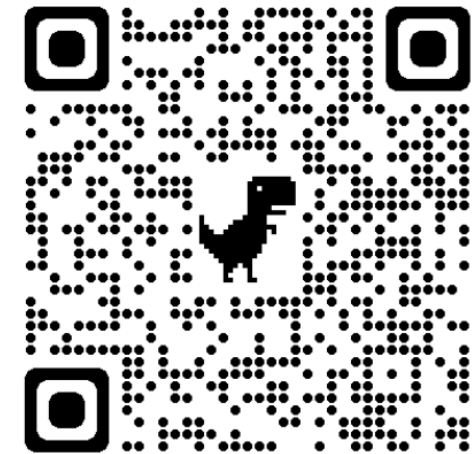
Quick facts



Open-source code developed together with: **Hans Dembinski**, **Anton Prosekin** and others

Cosmic ray and HadRONic interactiOn MONte-carlo frontend

- Python frontend to generators written in Fortran & C++
 - DPMJet-III*, PhoJet*, EPOS-LHC, Pythia-6.4, Pythia-8.3, QGSJet*, QGSJet- II*, SIBYLL*, SOPHIA, UrQMD 3.4 (* = several versions)
 - Use as Python library or command-line interface
- Open source development on Github
 - <https://github.com/impj-project/chromo>
 - BSD 3-clause license, contributions welcome
- Main authors
 - Anatoli Fedynitch (project lead), Hans Dembinski, Anton Prosekin
- Available on PyPI
 - Authors already use it for science projects
 - `pip install chromo` to install
 - For installation from source, see [README.md](#)



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See for more details A. Prosekin's talk at the ["Workshop on the tuning of hadronic interaction models" in Wuppertal](#)

Supported models

DPMJET Models :

- DPMJET-III 3.0.6
- PHOJET 1.12-35
- DPMJET-III 19.1
- PHOJET 19.1
- DPMJET-III 19.3
- PHOJET 19.3

PYTHIA Models :

- PYTHIA 6.4
- PYTHIA 8.3

QGSJet Models :

- QGSJet-01
- QGSJet-II-03
- QGSJet-II-04

SIBYLL Models :

- SIBYLL-2.1
- SIBYLL-2.3
- SIBYLL-2.3c
- SIBYLL-2.3d
- SIBYLL*

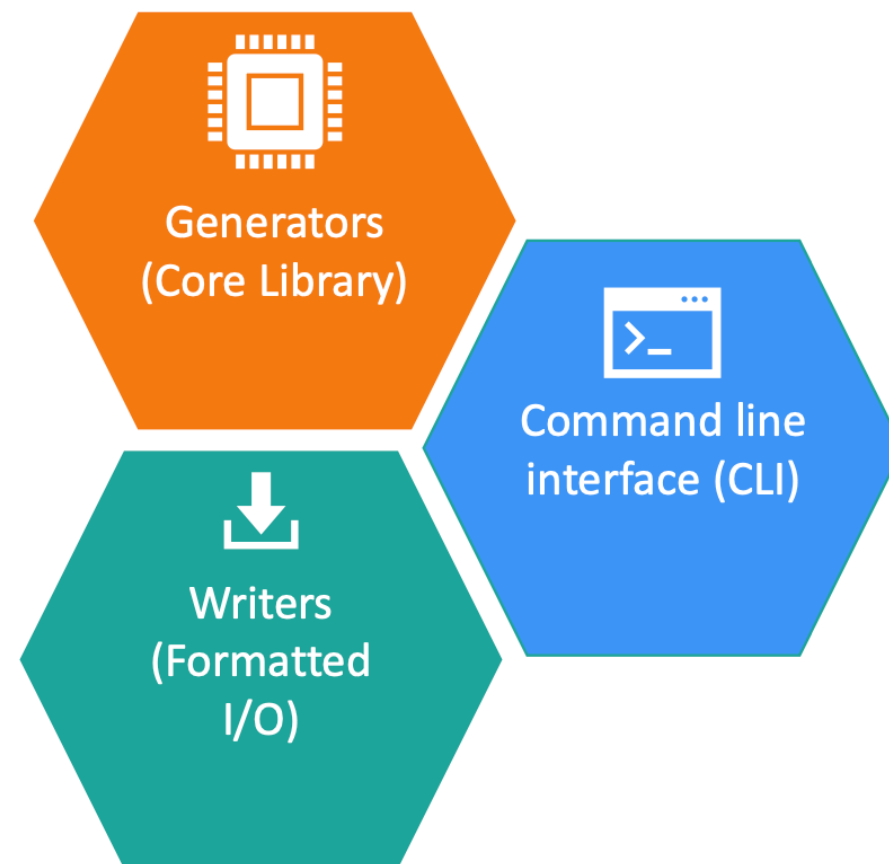
Other Models:

- EPOS-LHC
- SOPHIA 2.0
- UrQMD 3.4
- FLUKA (in progress)

MCEq matrices are calculated using this code.

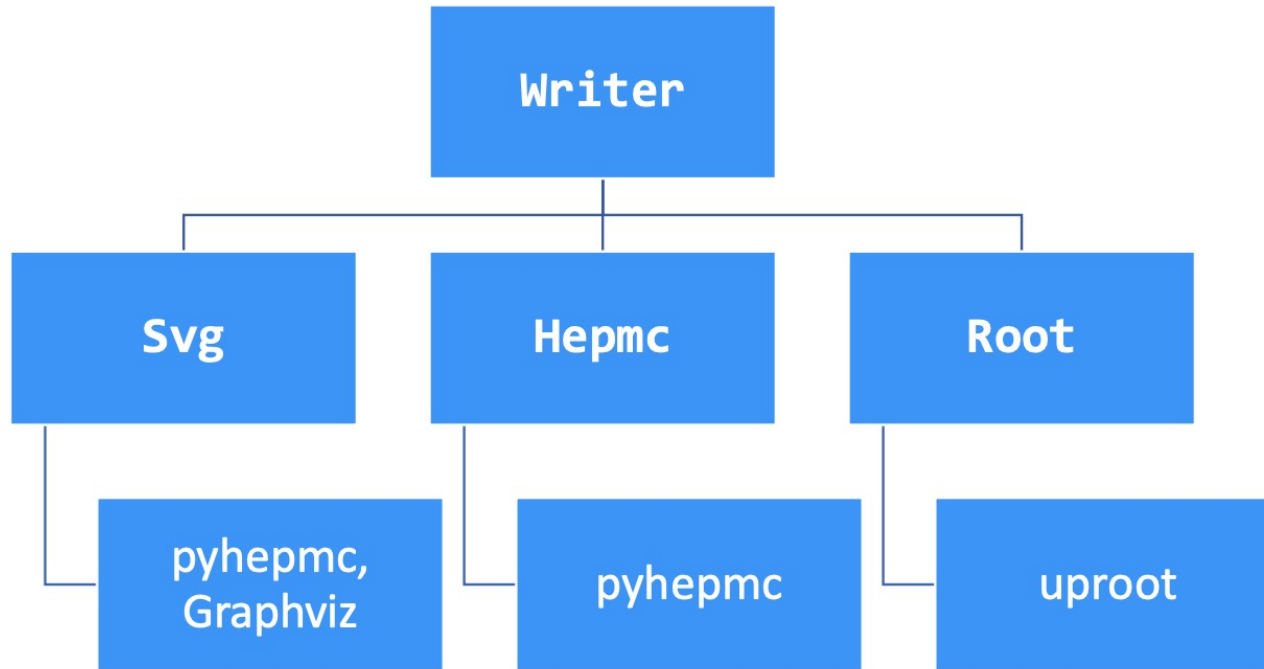
Main components

- Core library:
 - python scripts
 - jupyter notebooks
- Command line interface (CLI):
 - pipeline with other programs
 - drop-in substitution CRMC
- Writers (Formatted I/O representation of events)
 - SVG
 - Hepmc
 - Root



Events accessible directly in Python and in various common formats

- **Writer** is abstract class for wrapper classes over libraries that write to the corresponding formats



HepMC: Lingua franca for simulation software used at CERN

SIBYLL-2.1, pp, sqrt(s) = 20 GeV

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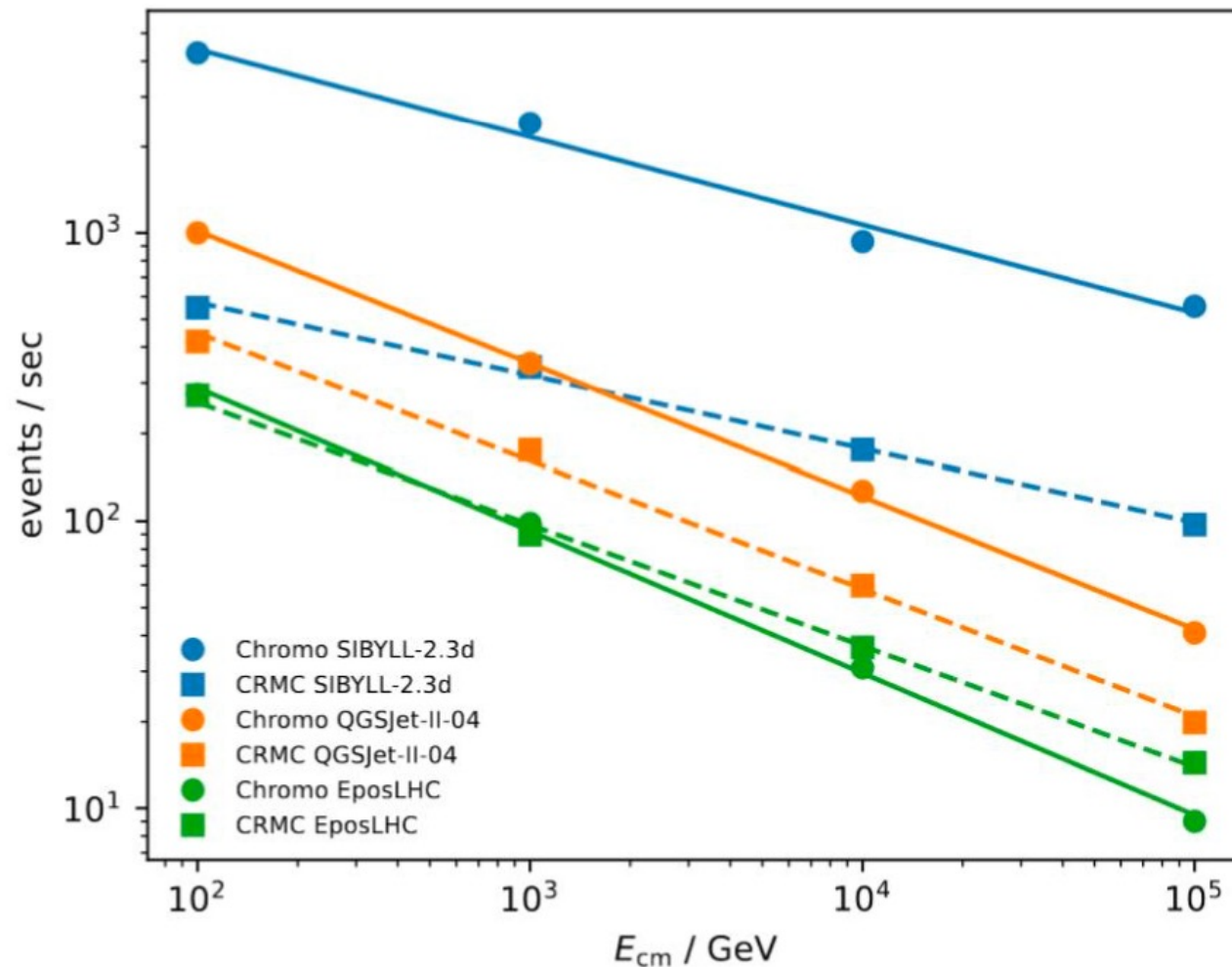
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Performance: CHROMO vs CRMC

- Python code “glue” fast compiled libraries written in Fortran/C++
- Runtime is limited below by the runtime of Fortran/C++ code performance of wrapped event generator
- NumPy array view (pointers) into hepevt common block if possible
- Avoid copy and hot Python loops
- Buffering of output
- Further optimization: put all heavy lifting of EventKinematics into C++ code

Cosmic Ray Monte Carlo Package, CRMC

Ulrich, Ralf¹ ; Pierog, Tanguy¹ ; Baus, Colin¹



CHROMO is built for simplicity in application

Installation

```
(env_test) -bash-4.2$ pip install chromo
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Installing collected packages: chromo
Successfully installed chromo-0.4.0
```

Typical workflow

```
from chromo.kinematics import CenterOfMass
from chromo.models import EposLHC

kinematics = CenterOfMass(100, "p", "p")
event_generator = EposLHC(kinematics)

for event in event_generator(1000):
    # process the result of the collision
    # represented by 'event' object
```

And that's it: no compilation,
no Fortran, and no specific
knowledge required.

Event under the hood

```
class EventData:
    """
    Data structure to keep filtered data.
    """
    generator: Tuple[str, str]
    kin: EventKinematics
    nevent: int
    impact_parameter: float
    n_wounded: Tuple[int, int]
    pid: np.ndarray
    status: np.ndarray
    charge: np.ndarray
    px: np.ndarray
    py: np.ndarray
    pz: np.ndarray
    en: np.ndarray
    m: np.ndarray
    vx: np.ndarray
    vy: np.ndarray
    vz: np.ndarray
    vt: np.ndarray
    mothers: Optional[np.ndarray]
    daughters: Optional[np.ndarray]
```

Event properties

```
class EventData:
    ...
    @property
    def p_tot(self):
        """Return total momentum in
        GeV/c."""

    @property
    def eta(self):
        """Return pseudorapidity."""

    @property
    def y(self):
        """Return rapidity."""

    @property
    def xf(self):
        """Return Feynman x_F."""

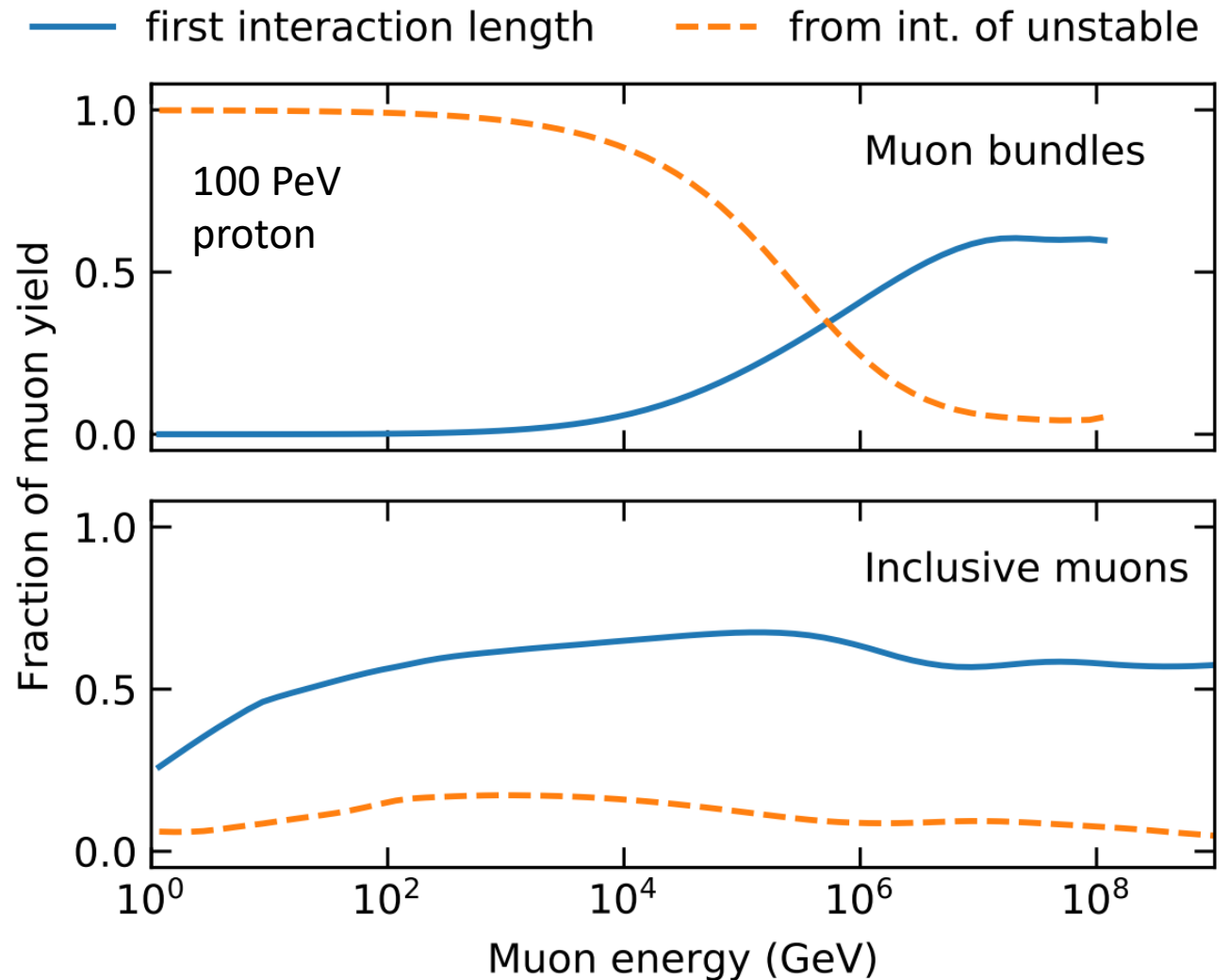
    ...
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Summary

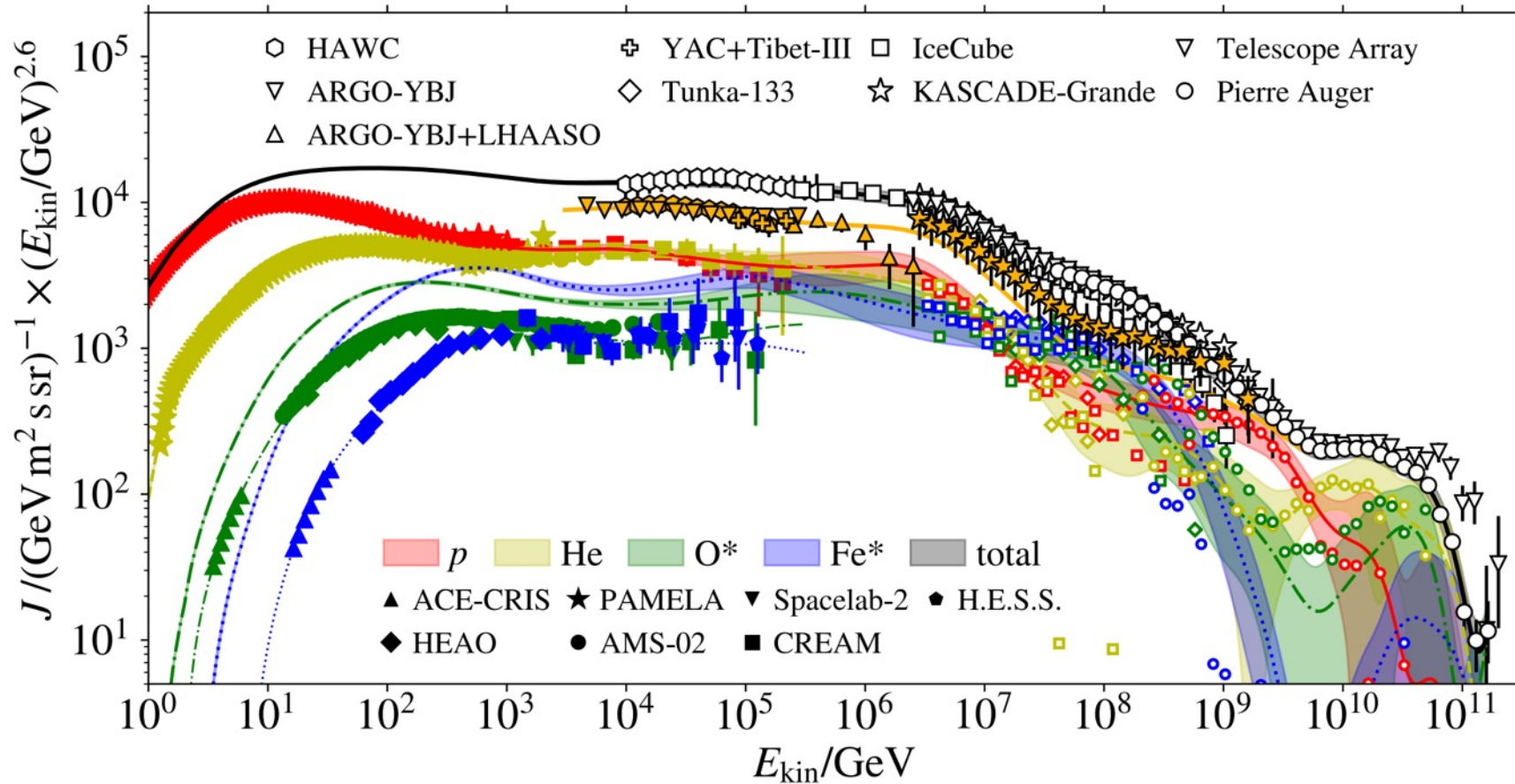
- MCEq is a generic tool, validated against data and other simulations
- Atm. Leptons are a different channel to study very forward hadronic interactions (mostly p-air)
- “Differences“ seen in comparisons with muon data at the surface and underground
- Validation/calibration via muon surface fluxes is challenging if performed rigorously (need to rely on old data and documentation; systematics often not discussed in detail)
- **Models 30-35% lower than muon data above a few GeV** (FLUKA is somewhat better at low energies but at higher energies also lower than data)
- Discrepancy in neutrinos (sensitive to kaon production) experimentally not established → needs more work
- Origin of discrepancies different from the muon excess in air showers (SIBYLL*)
- Underground/-water data confirms these findings with different detection principles

Inclusive atm. leptons air showers: different “astroparticle observable”

- Inclusive fluxes sensitive to “first interaction”
- Air shower muons at the surface mostly from pion interactions
- Reason: competition between falling CR flux vs falling forward cross section
- Problems in incl. leptons distinct should be distinct from air showers



The Global Spline Fit (parameterization of CR fluxes)



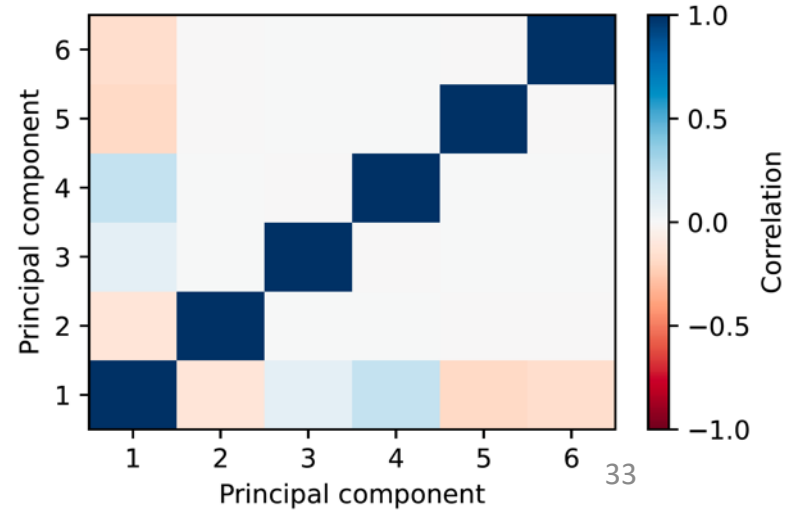
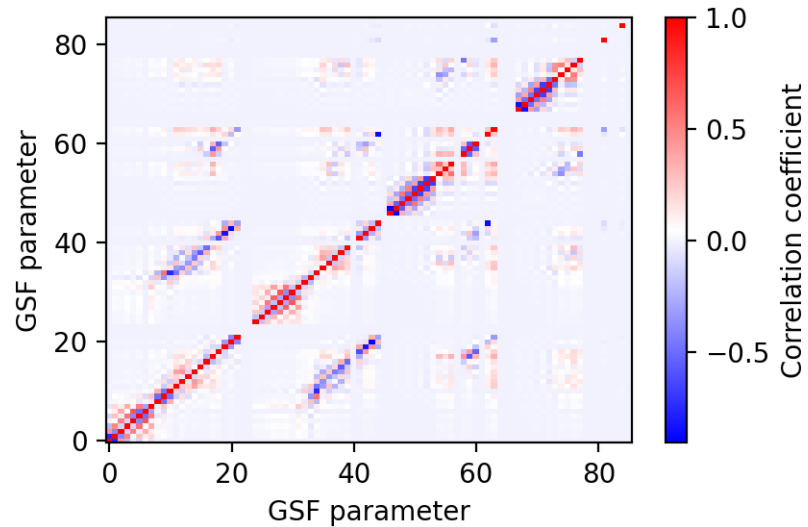
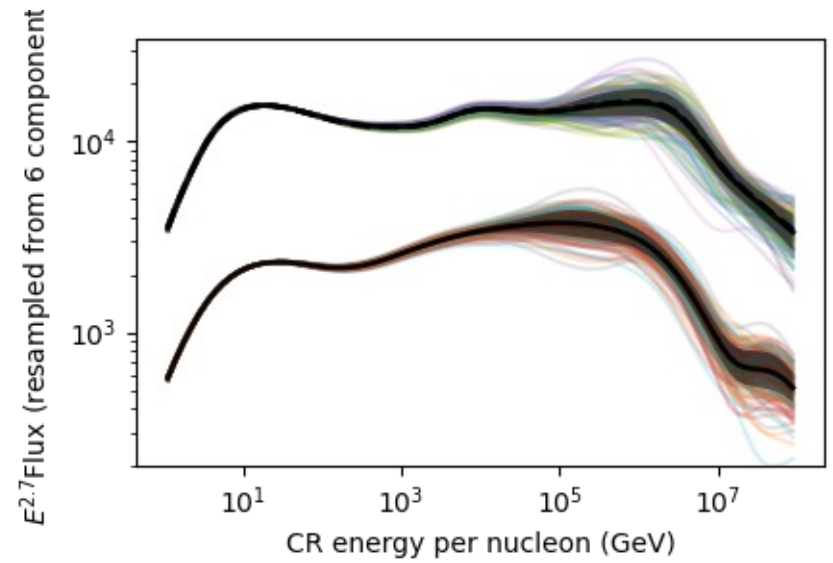
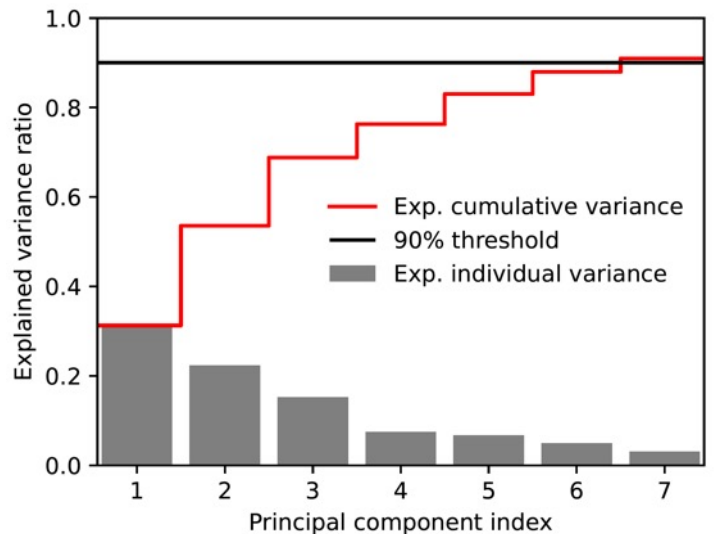
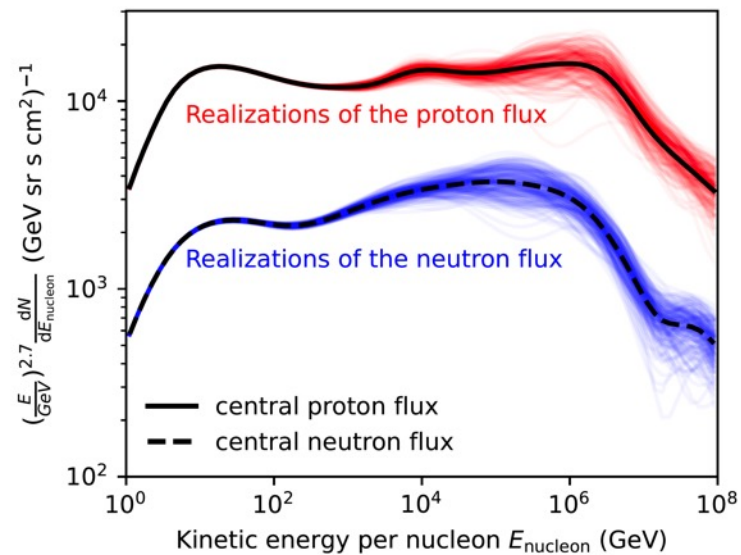
Pros:

- Parameterizes data
- AND uncertainty
- AND covariance matrix
- Can be updated “easily”

Cons:

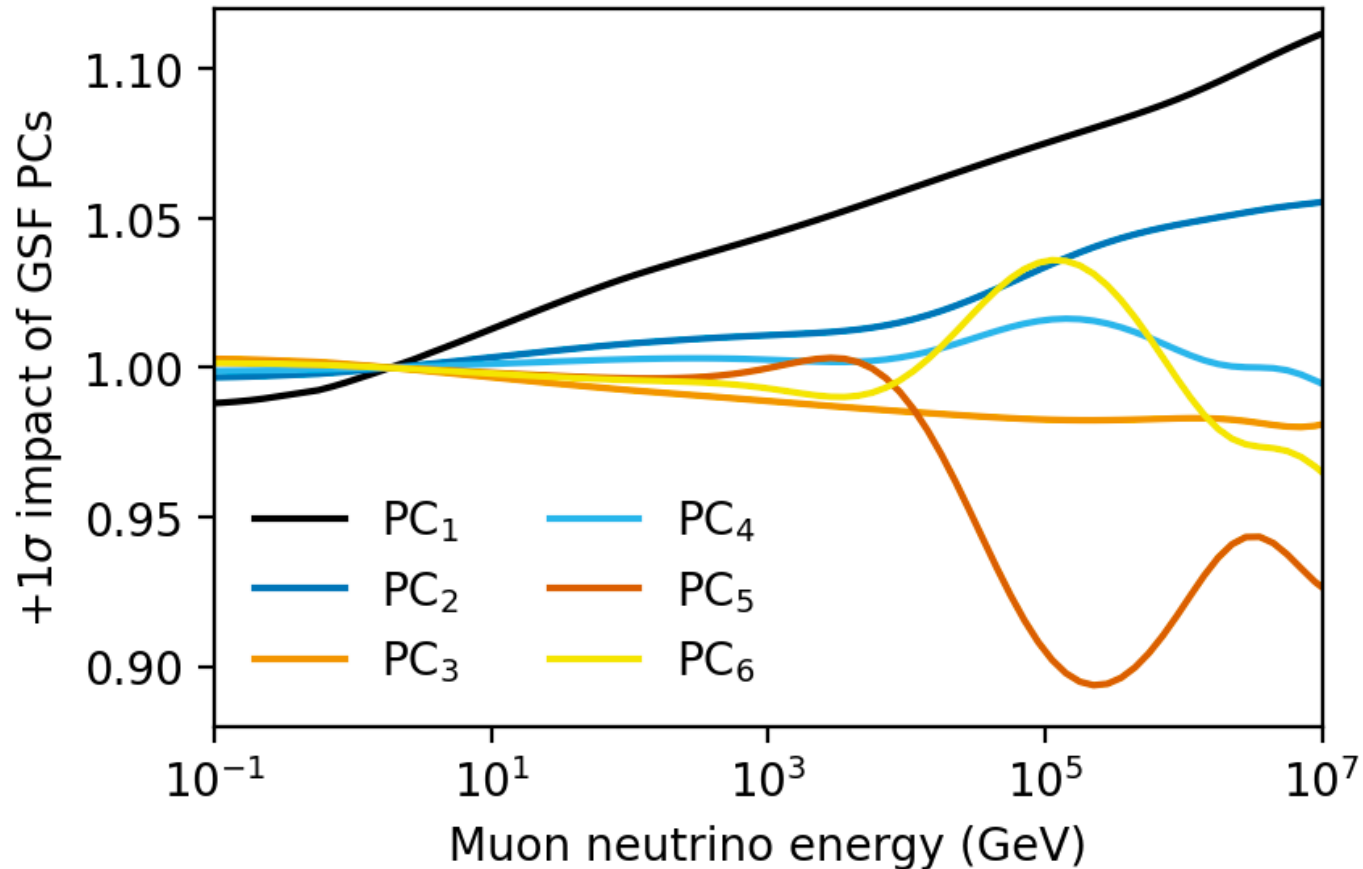
- Many parameters
- $\sim 5 * 20$ ☺
- Not all equally important for ν fluxes
- Splines somewhat sensitive choice

Dimensionality reduction of nucleon flux to 6 parameters



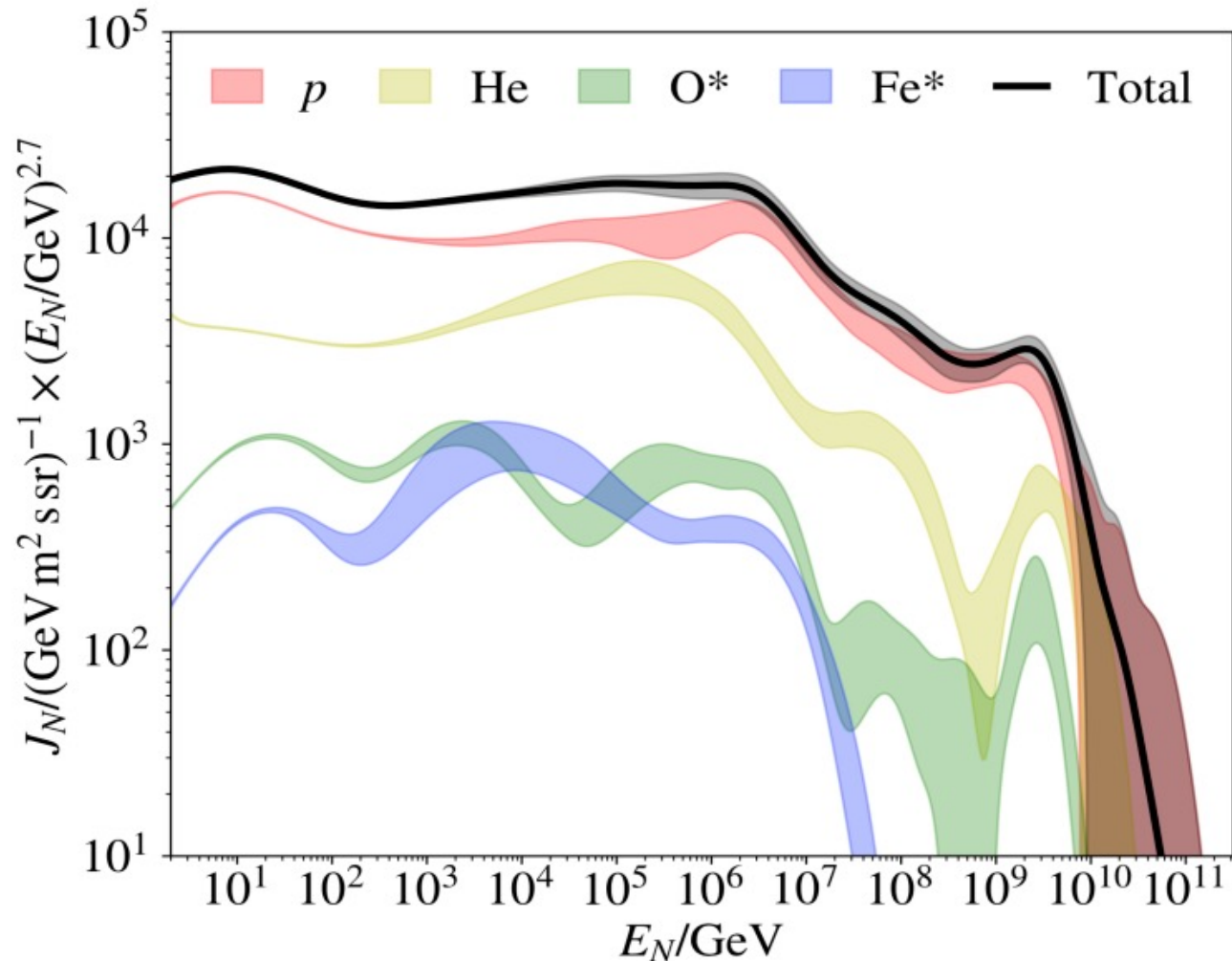
Principal components of CR nucleon fluxes

Zenith-averaged muon neutrinos



- Component 1 is a “global” spectral index correction
- Sum of components can reproduce 90% allowed shapes from the 1-sigma range of GSF
- CR nucleon flux represented by weighted sum of 6 base vectors
- GSF is meant to be updated once new data comes in
- **Optimal CR nucleon flux model for neutrino flux calculations**

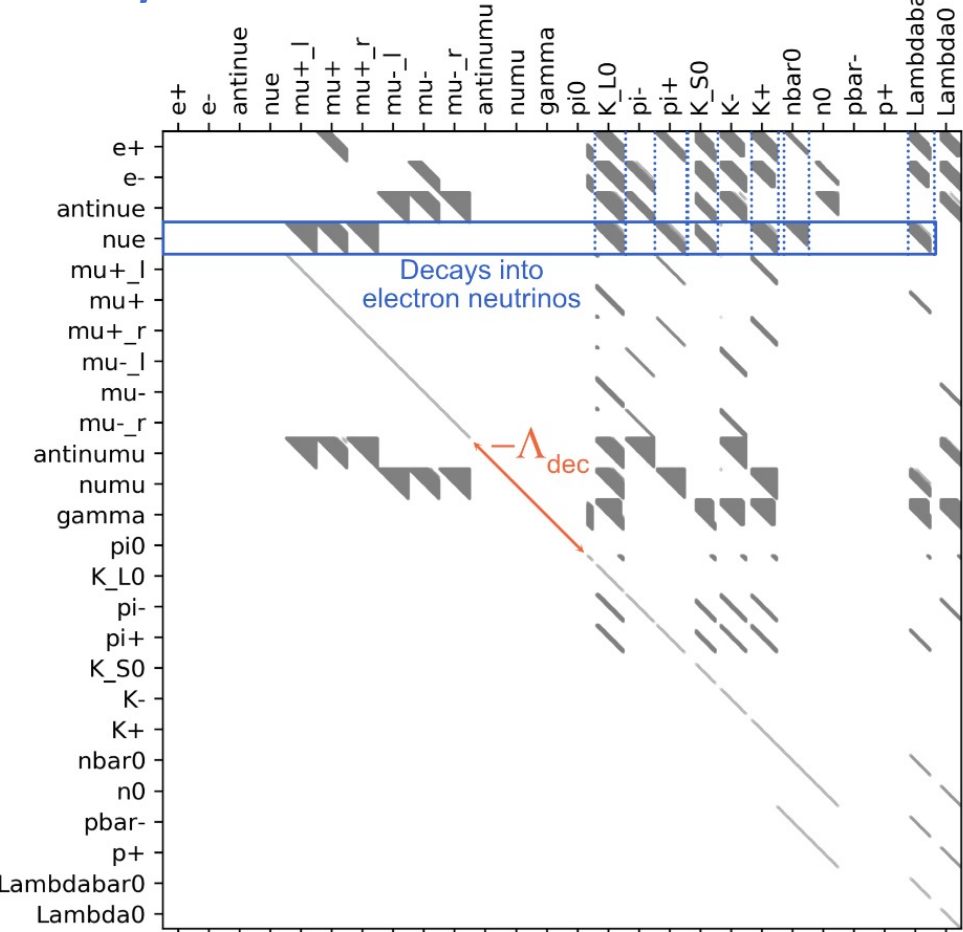
The Global Spline Fit – nucleon fluxes (MCEq input)



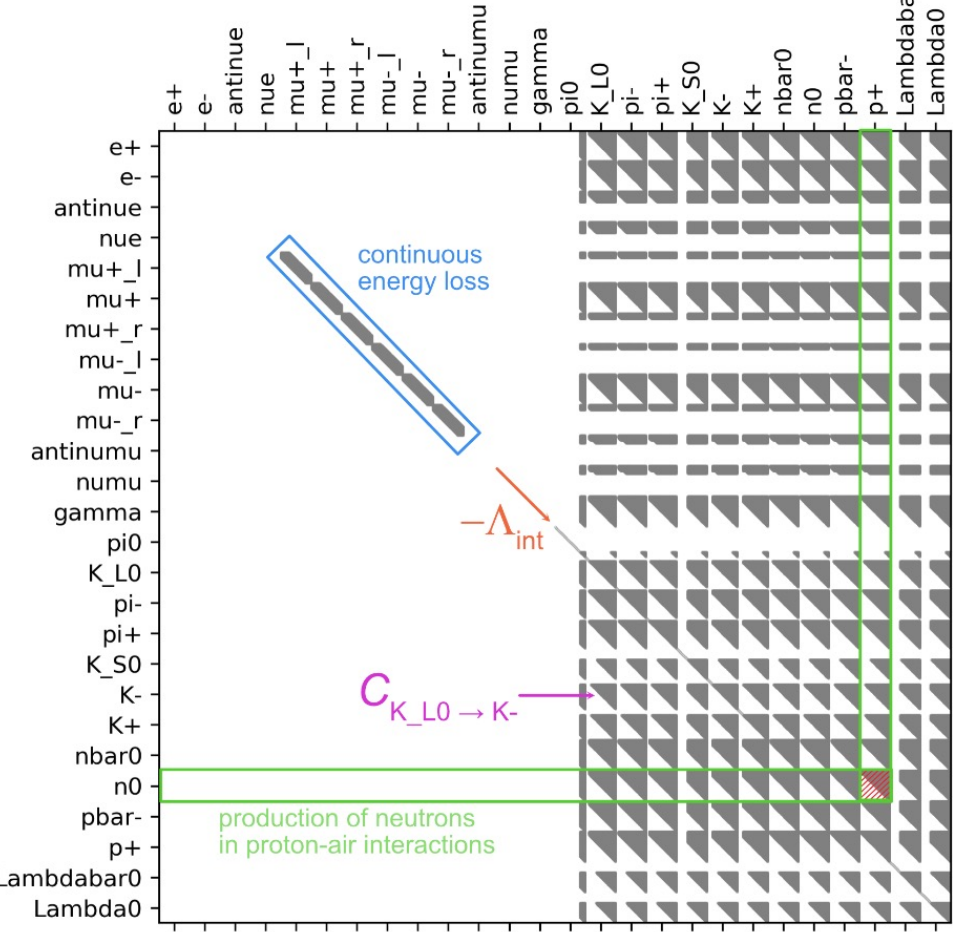
- Most contribution from proton and helium flux
- Correlations between H and He affect
 - CR neutron fraction
 - Muon charge ratio
 - Neutrino/Antineutrino ratio
- Need to model two correlated components
- technically ~80 parameters

Sparse matrix structure

Decay matrix D



Interaction matrix C



matrices are sparse



high performance

MCEq: Matrix Cascade Equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Phi_h(E, X)}{dX} = & - \frac{\Phi_h(E, X)}{\lambda_{\text{int},h}(E)} \\ & - \frac{\Phi_h(E, X)}{\lambda_{\text{dec},h}(E, X)} \\ & - \frac{\partial}{\partial E}(\mu(E)\Phi_h(E, X)) \\ & + \sum_{\ell} \int_E^{\infty} dE_{\ell} \frac{dN_{\ell(E_{\ell}) \rightarrow h(E)}}{dE} \frac{\Phi_{\ell}(E_{\ell}, X)}{\lambda_{\text{int},\ell}(E_{\ell})} \\ & + \sum_{\ell} \int_E^{\infty} dE_{\ell} \frac{dN_{\ell(E_{\ell}) \rightarrow h(E)}^{\text{dec}}}{dE} \frac{\Phi_{\ell}(E_{\ell}, X)}{\lambda_{\text{dec},\ell}(E_{\ell}, X)} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Phi_{E_i}^h}{dX} = & - \frac{\Phi_{E_i}^h}{\lambda_{\text{int},E_i}^h} \\ & - \frac{\Phi_{E_i}^h}{\lambda_{\text{dec},E_i}^h(X)} \\ & - \vec{\nabla}_i(\mu_{E_i}^h \Phi_{E_i}^h) \\ & + \sum_{E_k \geq E_i}^{E_N} \sum_{\ell} \frac{C_{\ell(E_k) \rightarrow h(E_i)}}{\lambda_{\text{int},E_k}^{\ell}} \Phi_{E_k}^{\ell} \\ & + \sum_{E_k \geq E_i}^{E_N} \sum_{\ell} \frac{d_{\ell(E_k) \rightarrow h(E_i)}}{\lambda_{\text{dec},E_k}^{\ell}(X)} \Phi_{E_k}^{\ell} \end{aligned}$$



State (or flux) vector

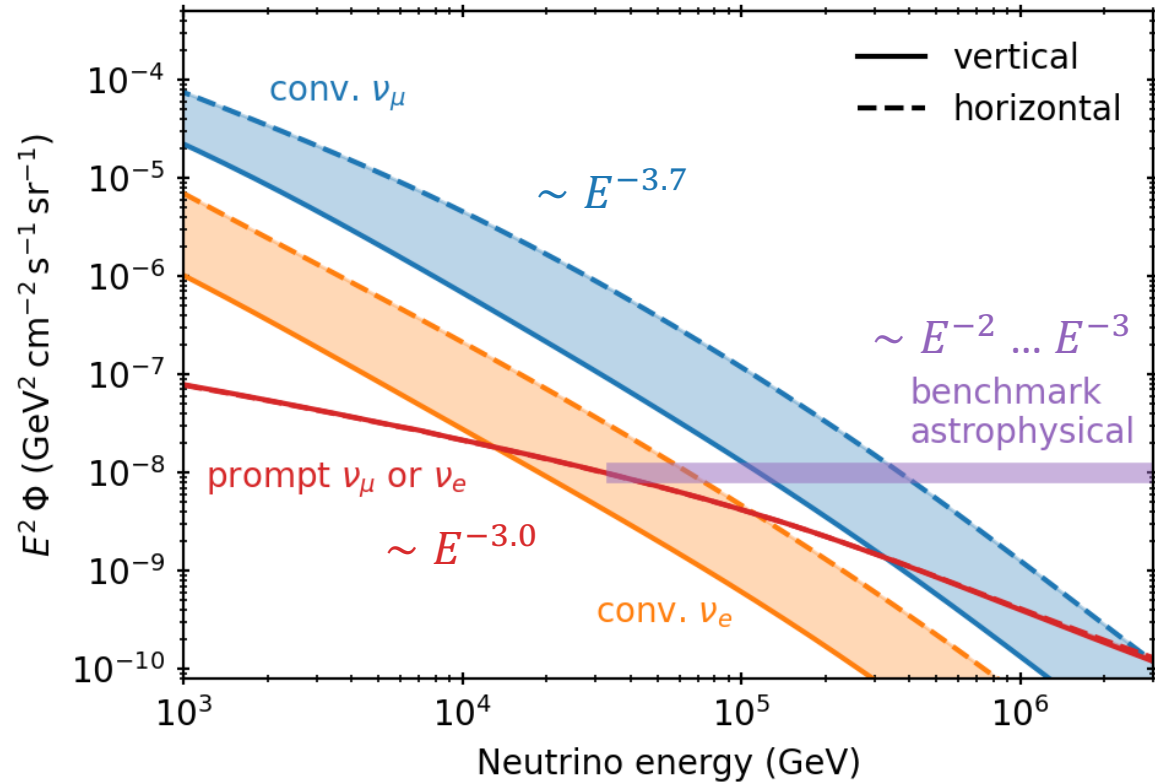
$$\vec{\Phi} = \left(\vec{\Phi}^{\text{p}} \quad \vec{\Phi}^{\text{n}} \quad \vec{\Phi}^{\pi^+} \quad \dots \quad \vec{\Phi}^{\bar{\nu}_{\mu}} \quad \dots \right)^T$$

$$\vec{\Phi}^{\text{p}} = \left(\Phi_{E_0}^{\text{p}} \quad \Phi_{E_1}^{\text{p}} \quad \dots \quad \Phi_{E_N}^{\text{p}} \right)^T$$

“Matrix form”

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dX} \vec{\Phi} = & - \vec{\nabla}_E(\text{diag}(\vec{\mu})\vec{\Phi}) + (-\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{C})\mathbf{\Lambda}_{\text{int}}\vec{\Phi} \\ & + \frac{1}{\rho(X)}(-\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{D})\mathbf{\Lambda}_{\text{dec}}\vec{\Phi} \end{aligned}$$

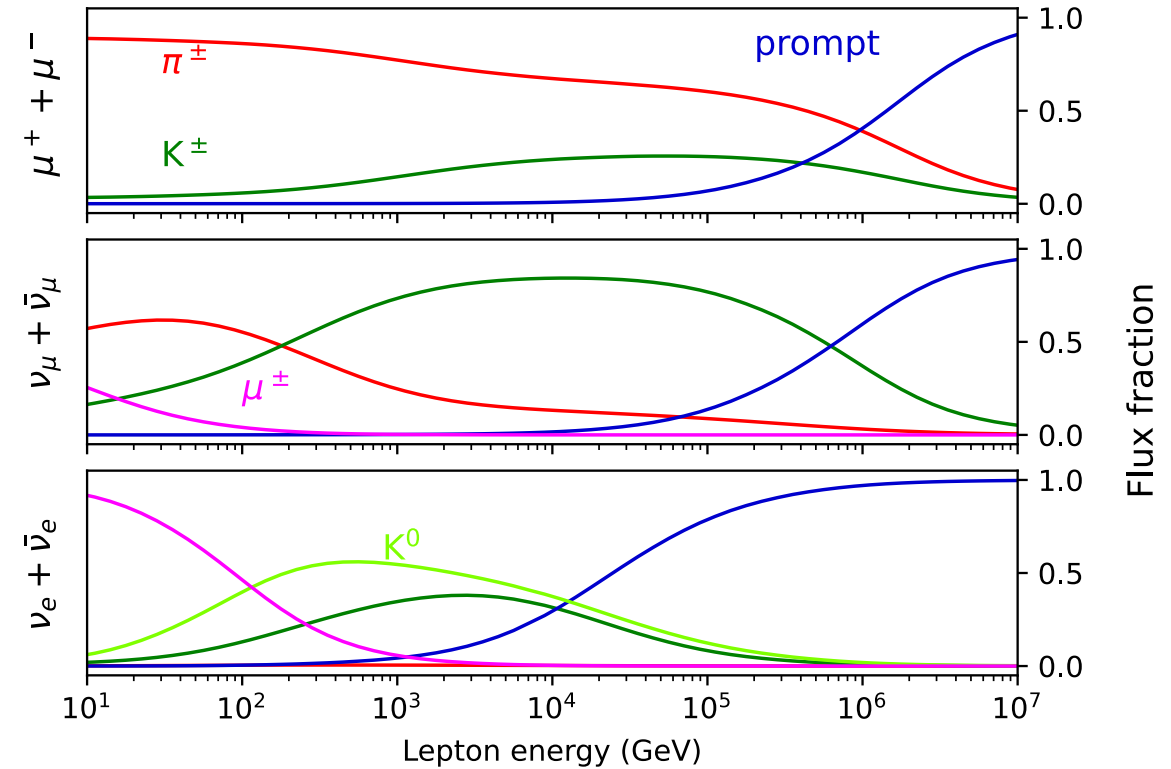
High energy lepton spectrum



Bands (zenith-enhancement):

- Lower boundary $\cos \theta = 1$, vertical
- Upper boundary $\cos \theta = 0$, horizontal

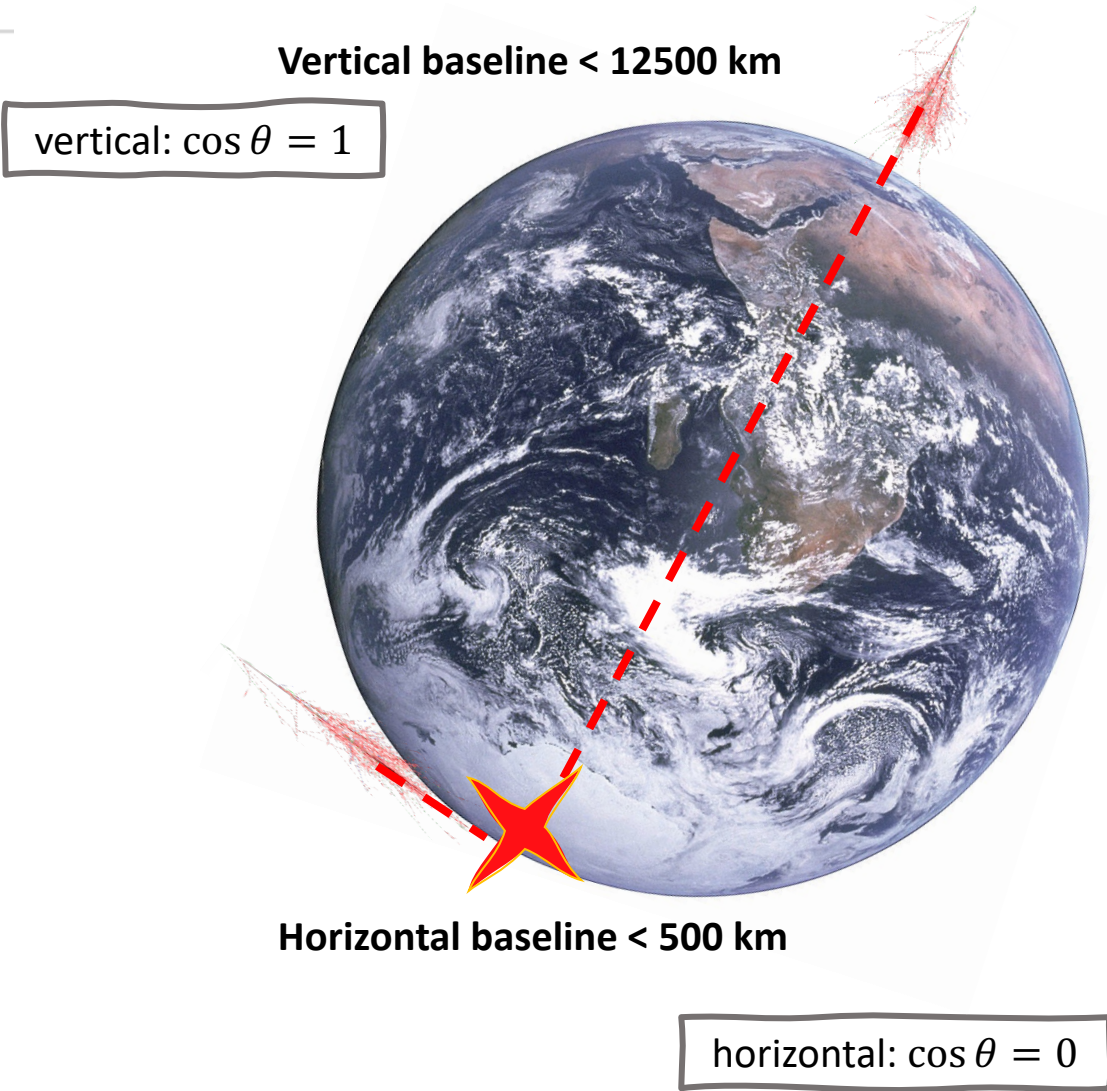
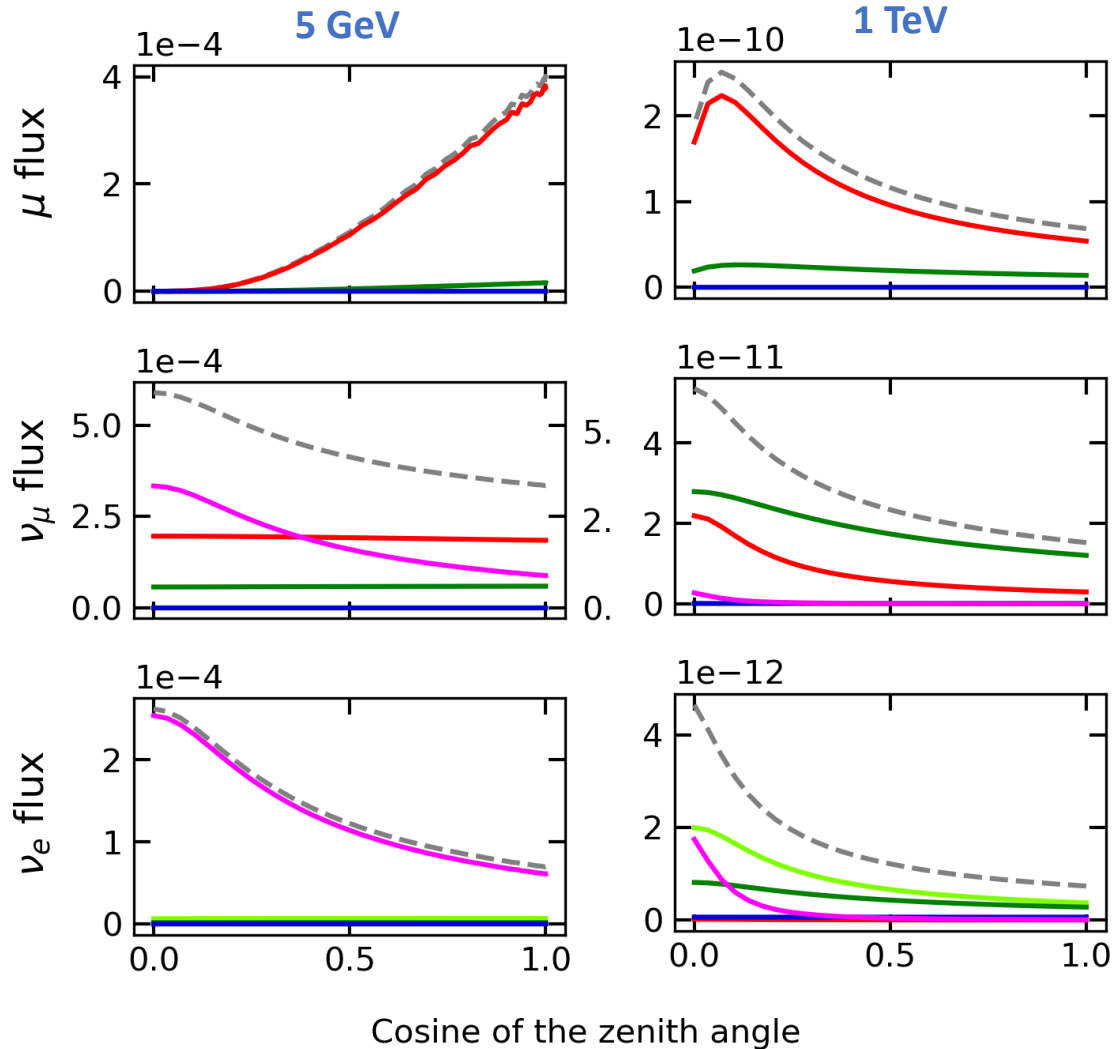
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Different weight of hadrons in lepton production, due to:

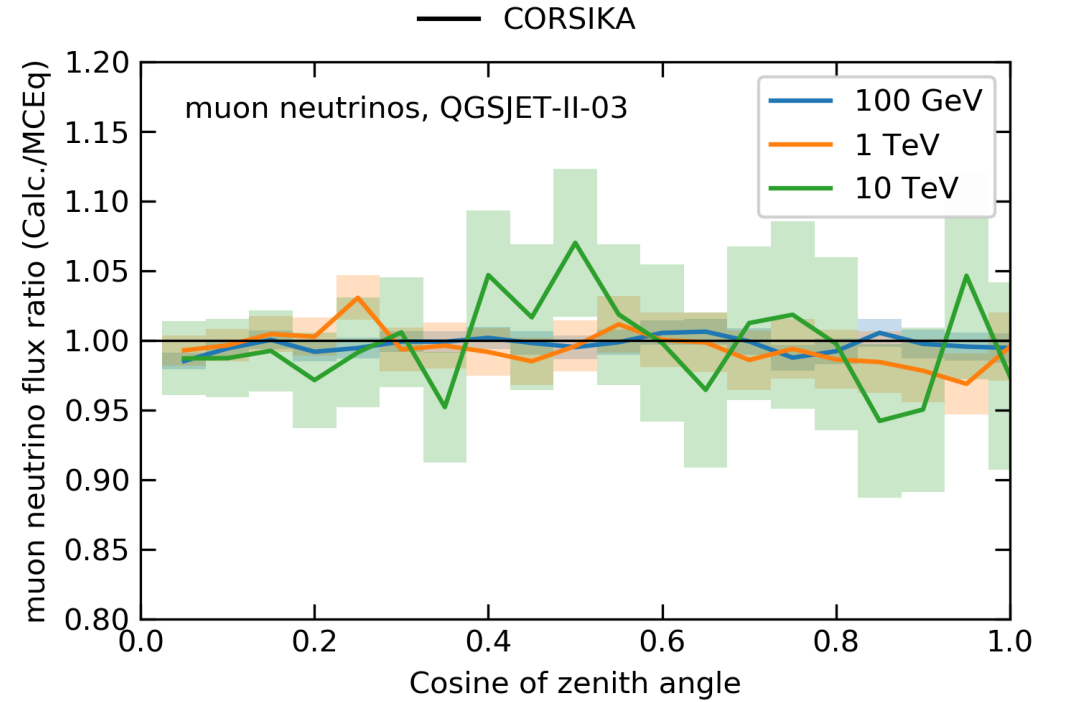
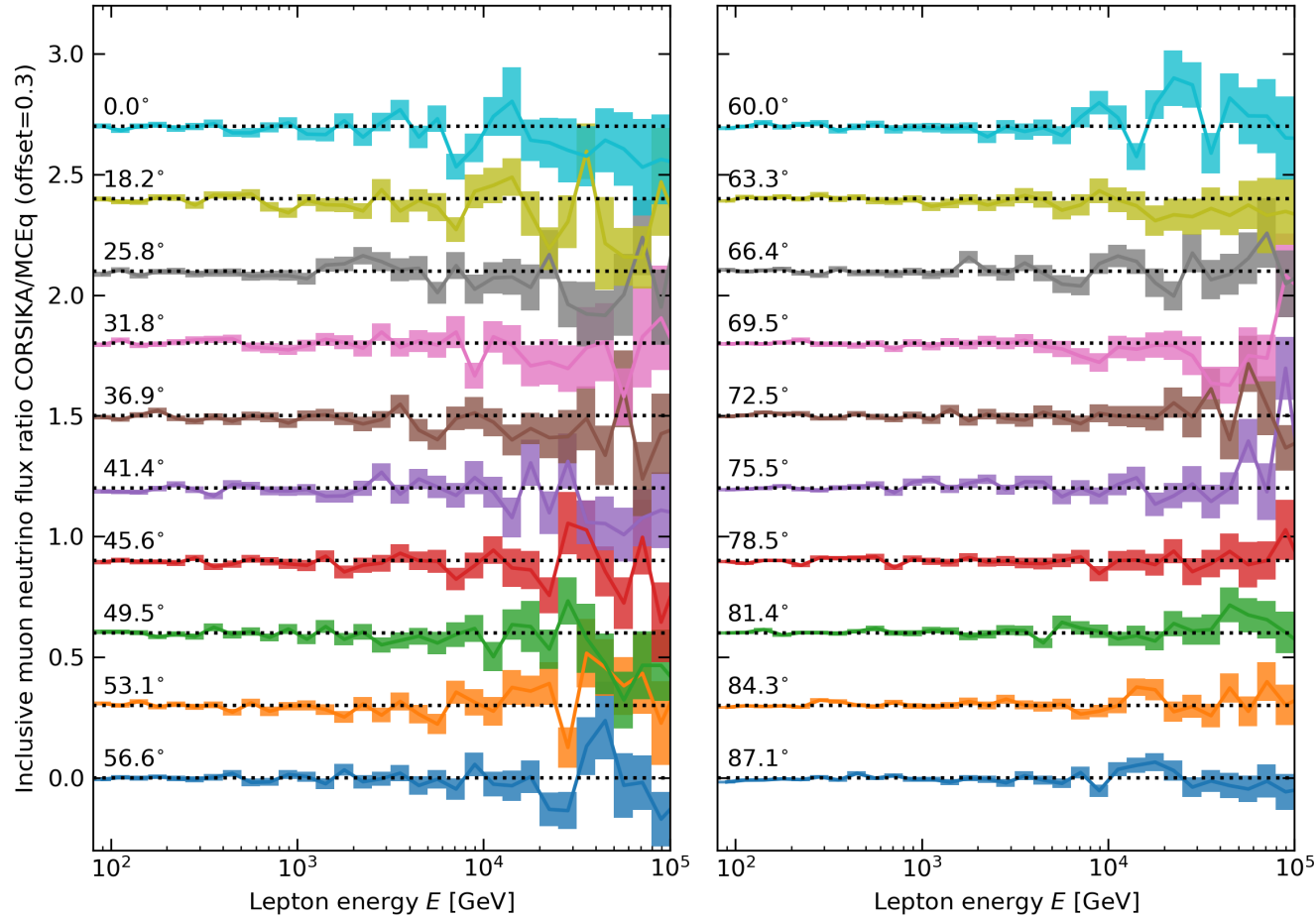
- Hadron production cross sections
- Branching ratio & decay kinematics

Zenith angle dependence at higher-E is sensitive to hadron production



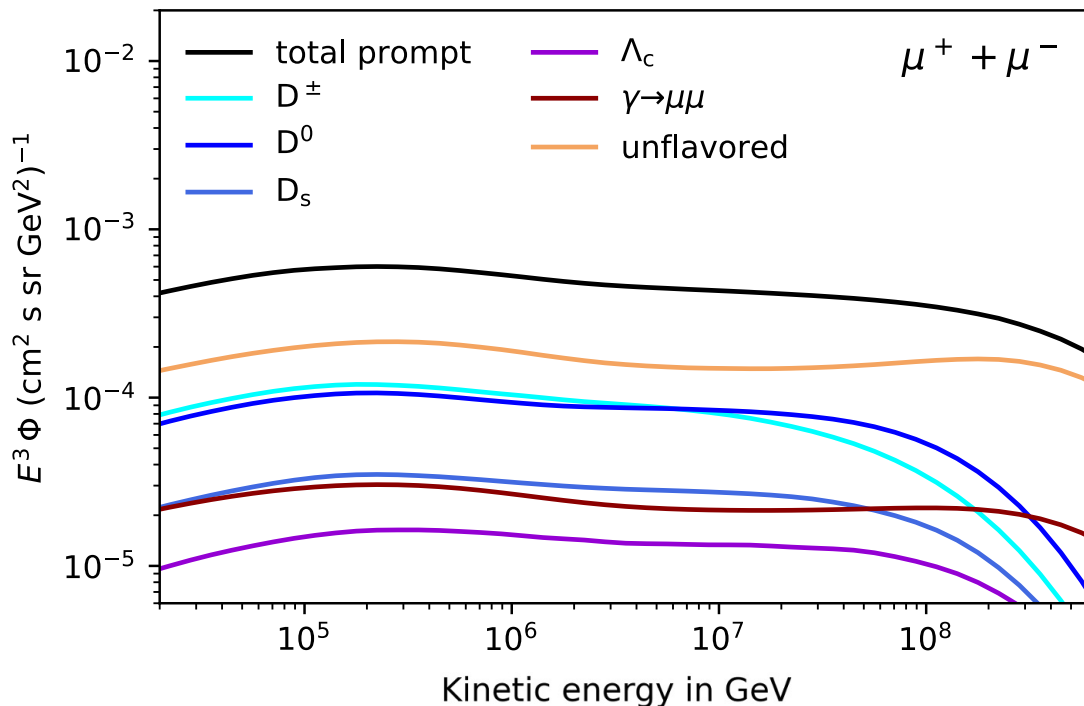
MCEq vs CORSIKA7 inclusive spectra

Inclusive muon neutrino flux ratio CORSIKA/MCEQ. QGSJET-II-03 + H3a.



Above 100 TeV: territory of the (undiscovered) prompt muons and neutrinos

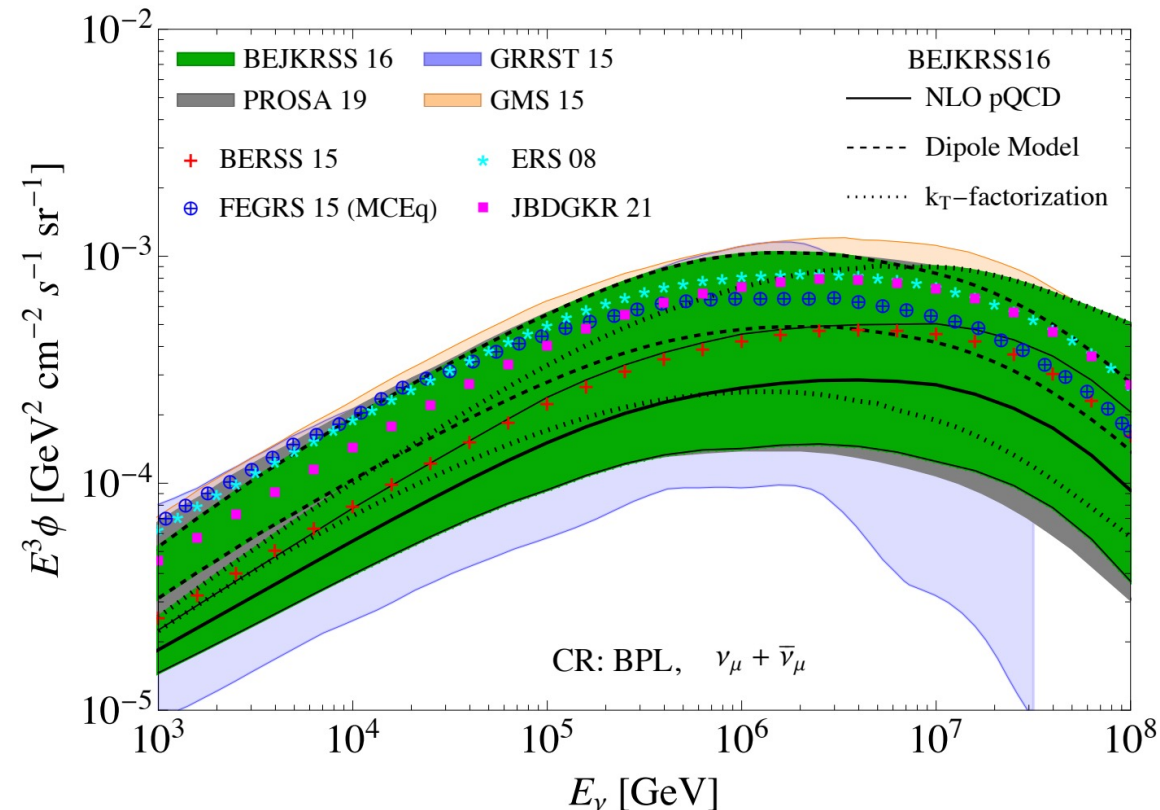
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Prompt muons more production channels than prompt neutrinos:

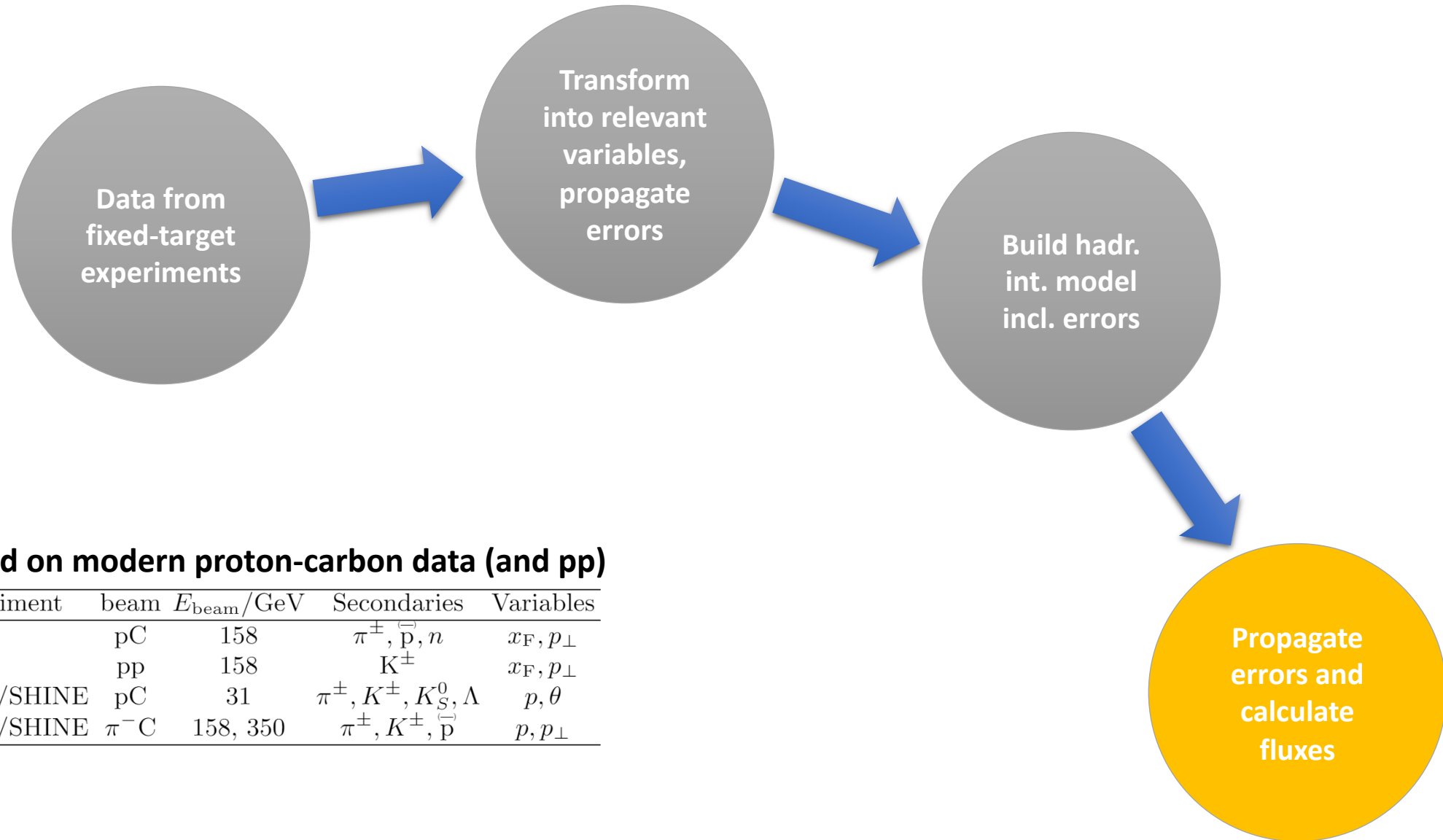
- Rare decays of unflavored mesons *e.g.*, $\eta \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- EM pair production $\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

Forward Physics Facility Snowmass arXiv: 2203.05090



- Large uncertainties from pQCD
- pQCD might be incomplete (intrinsic charm)
- The fragmentation ($c \rightarrow D$) function is a choice

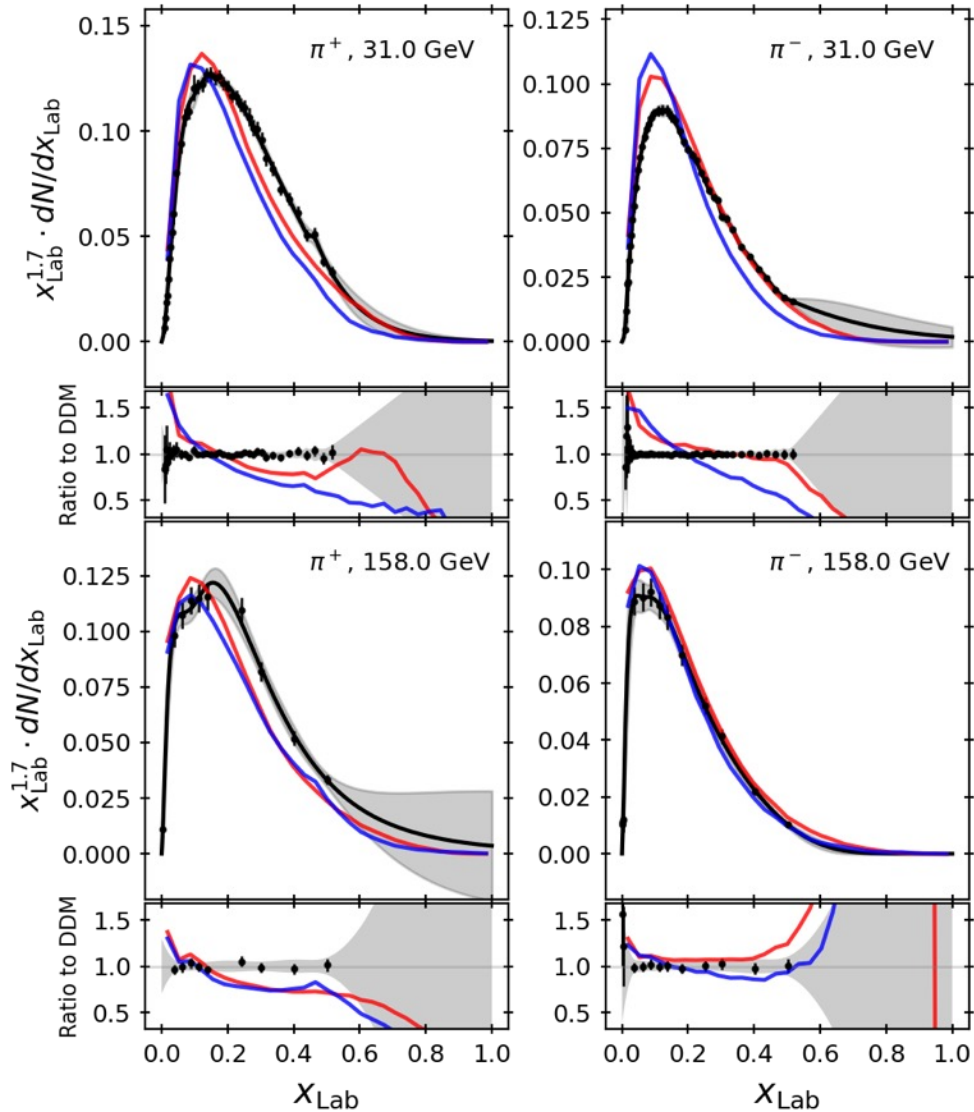
Data-Driven Hadronic Interaction Model (DDM)



Based on modern proton-carbon data (and pp)

Experiment	beam	$E_{\text{beam}}/\text{GeV}$	Secondaries	Variables
NA49	pC	158	π^{\pm}, \bar{p}, n	x_{F}, p_{\perp}
NA49	pp	158	K^{\pm}	x_{F}, p_{\perp}
NA61/SHINE	pC	31	$\pi^{\pm}, K^{\pm}, K_S^0, \Lambda$	p, θ
NA61/SHINE	$\pi^- \text{C}$	158, 350	$\pi^{\pm}, K^{\pm}, \bar{p}$	p, p_{\perp}

Data-driven Hadronic interaction model (DDM)



- Inclusive particle production cross sections from data at 31, 158 and 350 GeV (lab.)
- Interpolated linearly in $\log(E)$
- Isospin symmetry for neutrons and π^-
- Feynman scaling at higher energy
- Errors from fitting splines to data
- Additional free parameters by “cloning” cross sections to higher energies

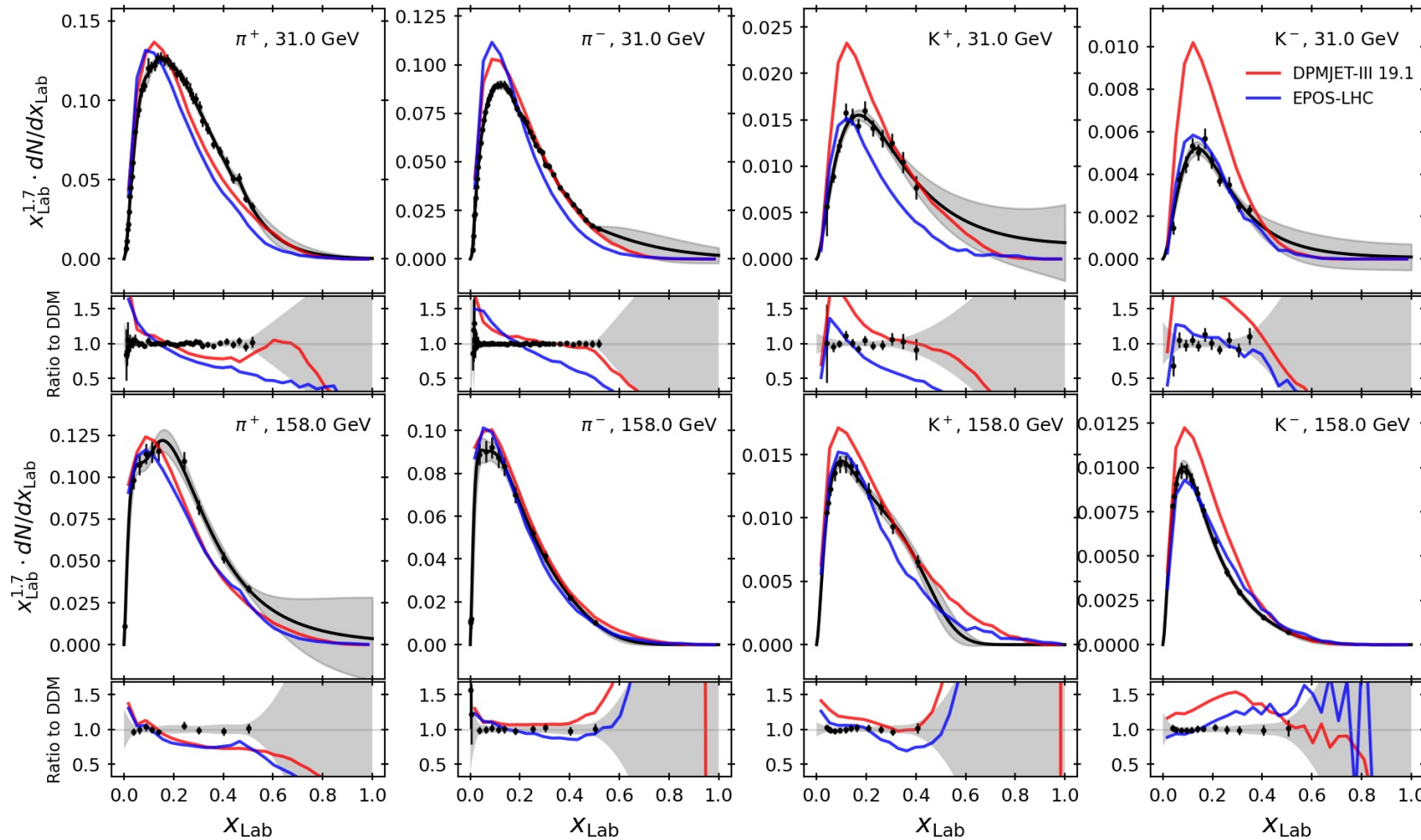
→ **Optimal hadronic model for calibrating neutrino flux calculations**

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Data-driven model (DDM) built in incl. cross sections

NA49 & NA61 proton-carbon

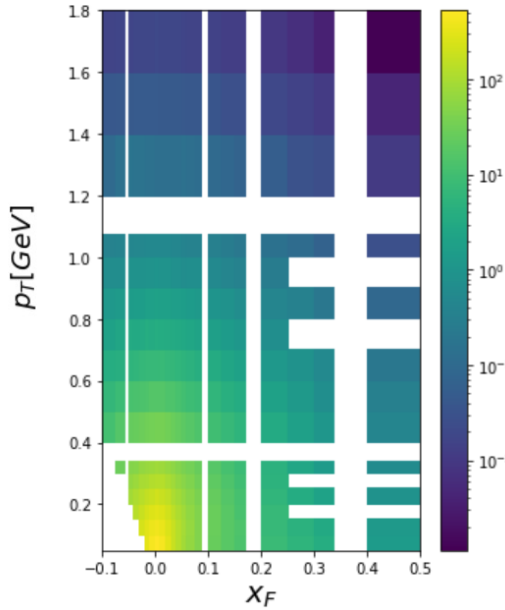
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- **Uncertainties conservatively scale up** in absence of forward data
- K^+ data at 158 GeV extrapolated from $pp \rightarrow pC$
 - \rightarrow + 5-7% error from MC
- Carbon to air correction < 1%
- + proton and neutron secondaries, & π^- projectiles (not shown)
- Neutron (and π^+ projectiles) via isospin relations
- K^0 via isospin

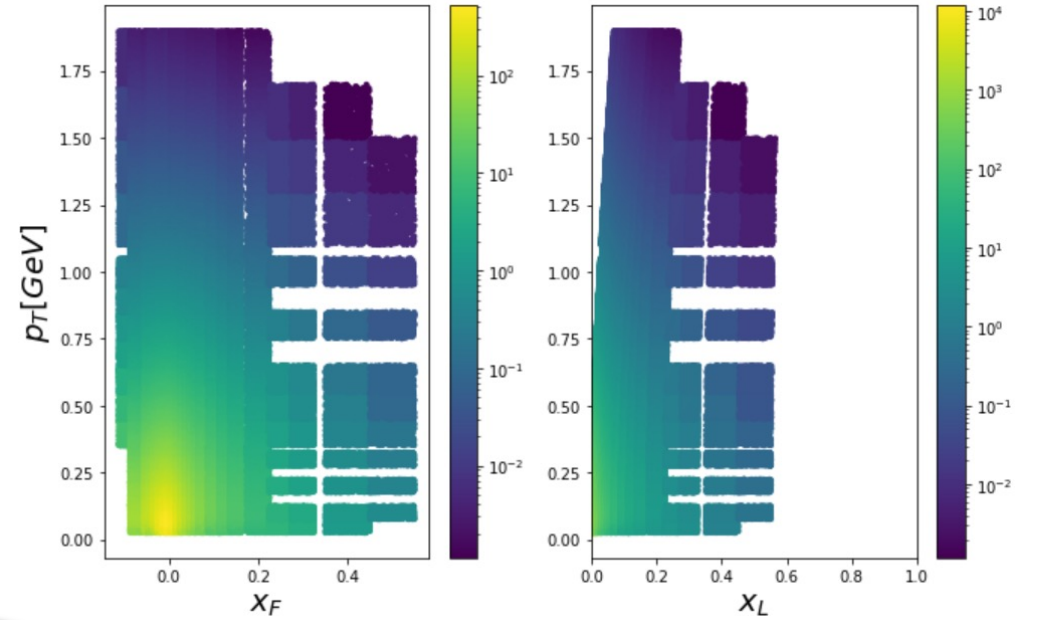
Building the DDM

NA49 proton-carbon @ 158 GeV

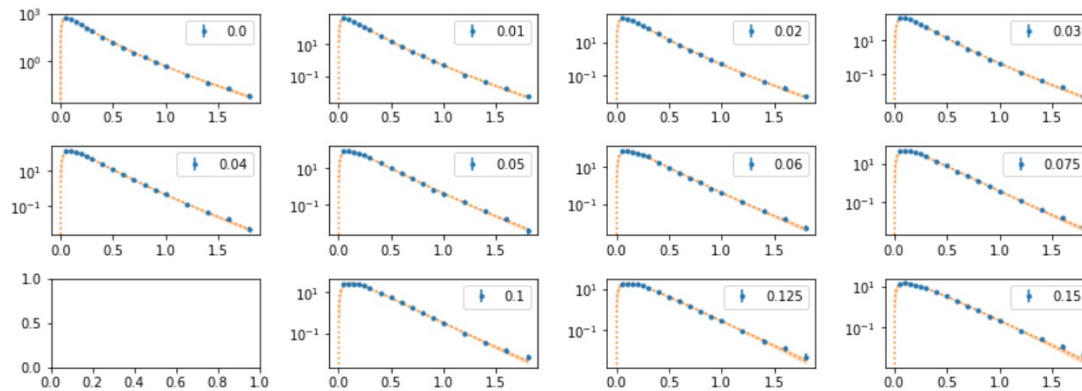


Sample from $x_F = pz/\sqrt{s}$ and convert into $x_L = E_{\text{secondary}}/E_{\text{proj}}$

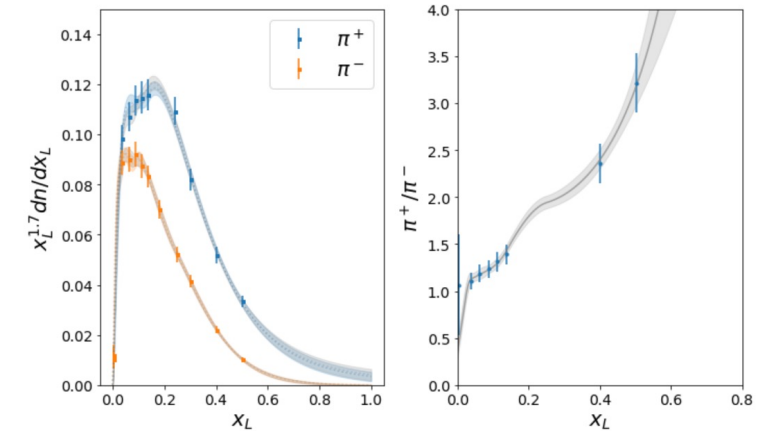
$$x_{Lab} = \frac{E_c}{E_a} = \frac{\gamma \sqrt{m_c^2 + \frac{1}{4}x_F^2 E_{c.m.}^2} + p_{c,T}^* + \frac{1}{2}\gamma\beta x_F^2 E_{c.m.}}{E_a}$$



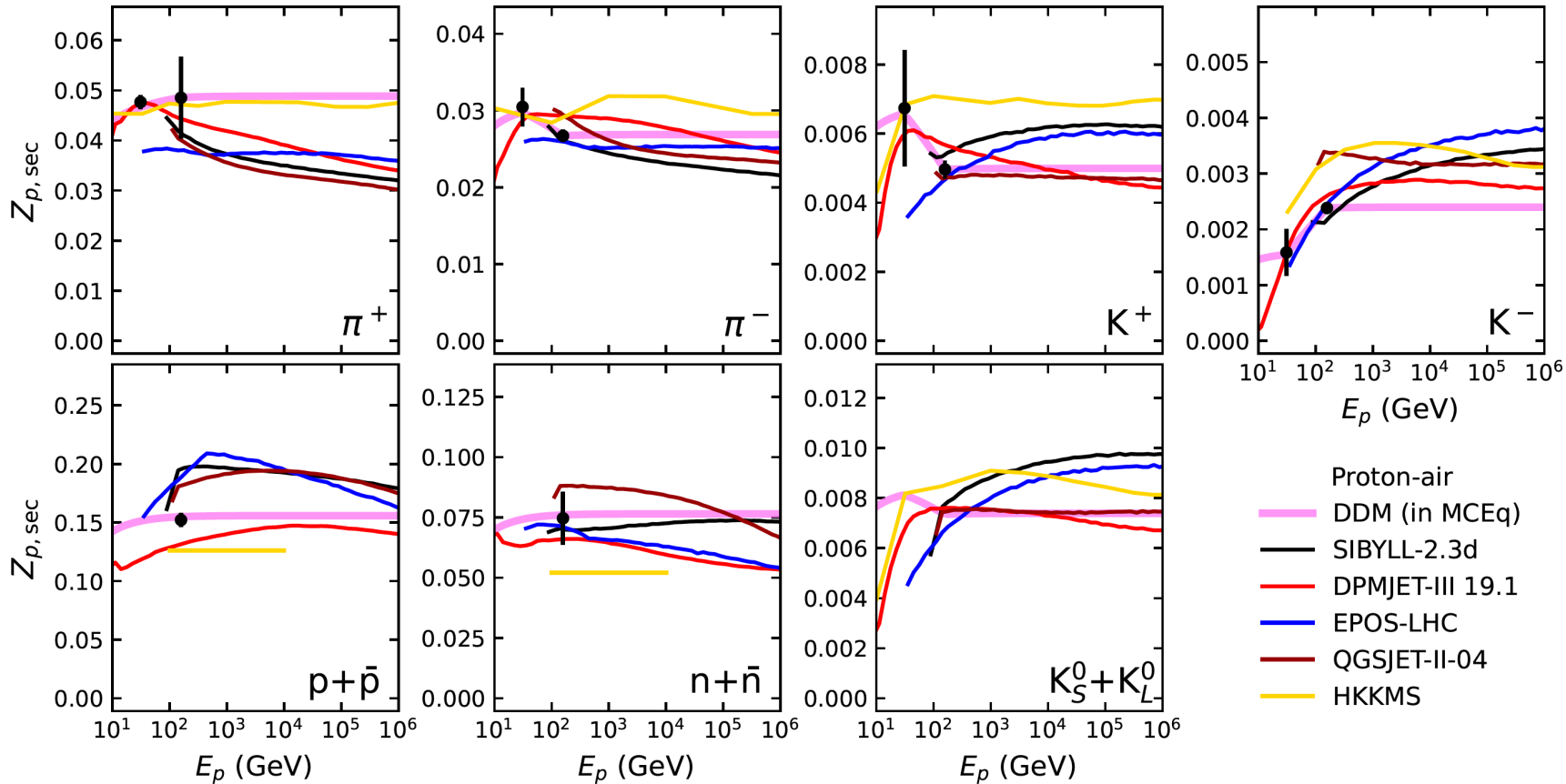
Fit dn/dx_L with splines, get covariance matrix



Fit p_T in each x_F bin using $\frac{dn}{dp_{\perp}} = a_0 p_{\perp}^{a_1} e^{a_2 p_{\perp}^{a_3}}$



Energy inter- and extrapolation

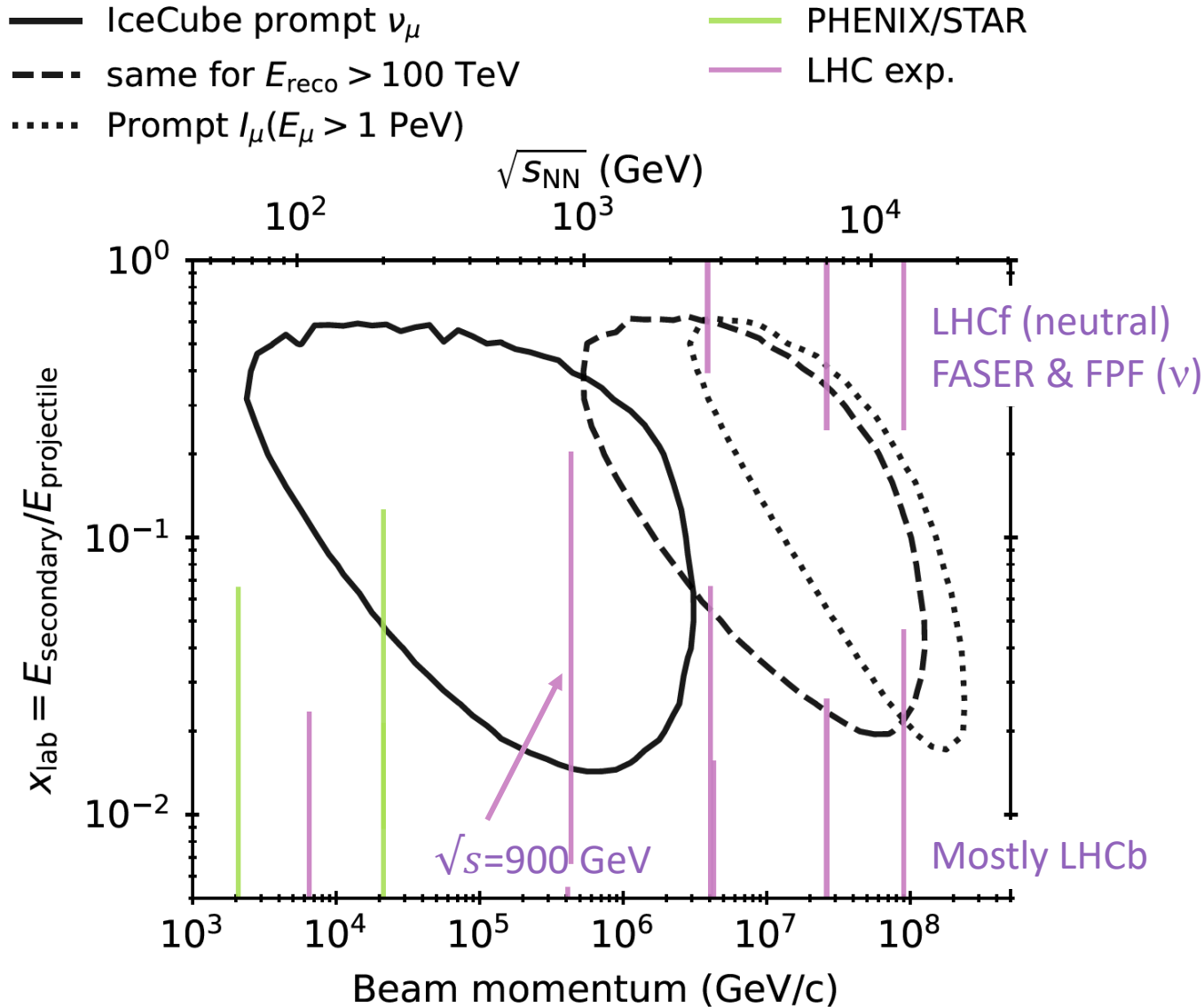


- 1 or 2 cross section “shapes” @ 31 & 158 GeV
- Interpolates linearly in $\log(E)$ between those
- Assumes Feynman scaling (shape of longitudinal spectrum constant)
- More points can be added to complicate energy dependence
→ **daemonflux**

Atm.-flux-relevant phase space
→ Spectrum-weighted moment:

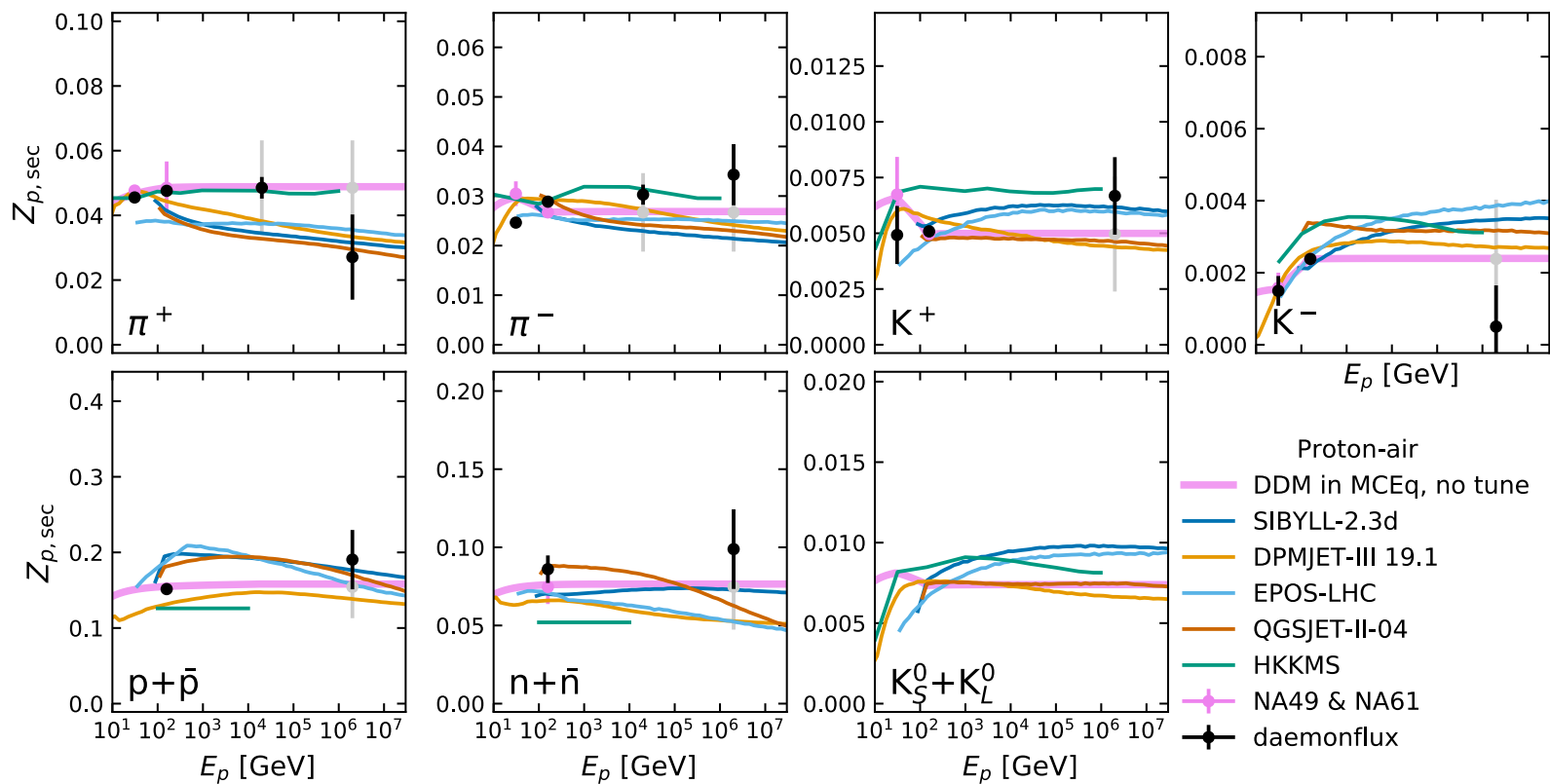
$$Z_{Nh}(E_N) = \int_0^1 dx_{\text{Lab}} x_{\text{Lab}}^{\gamma(E_N)-1} \frac{dN_{N \rightarrow h}}{dx_{\text{Lab}}}(E_N)$$

Charm production cross section inaccessible to present-day colliders

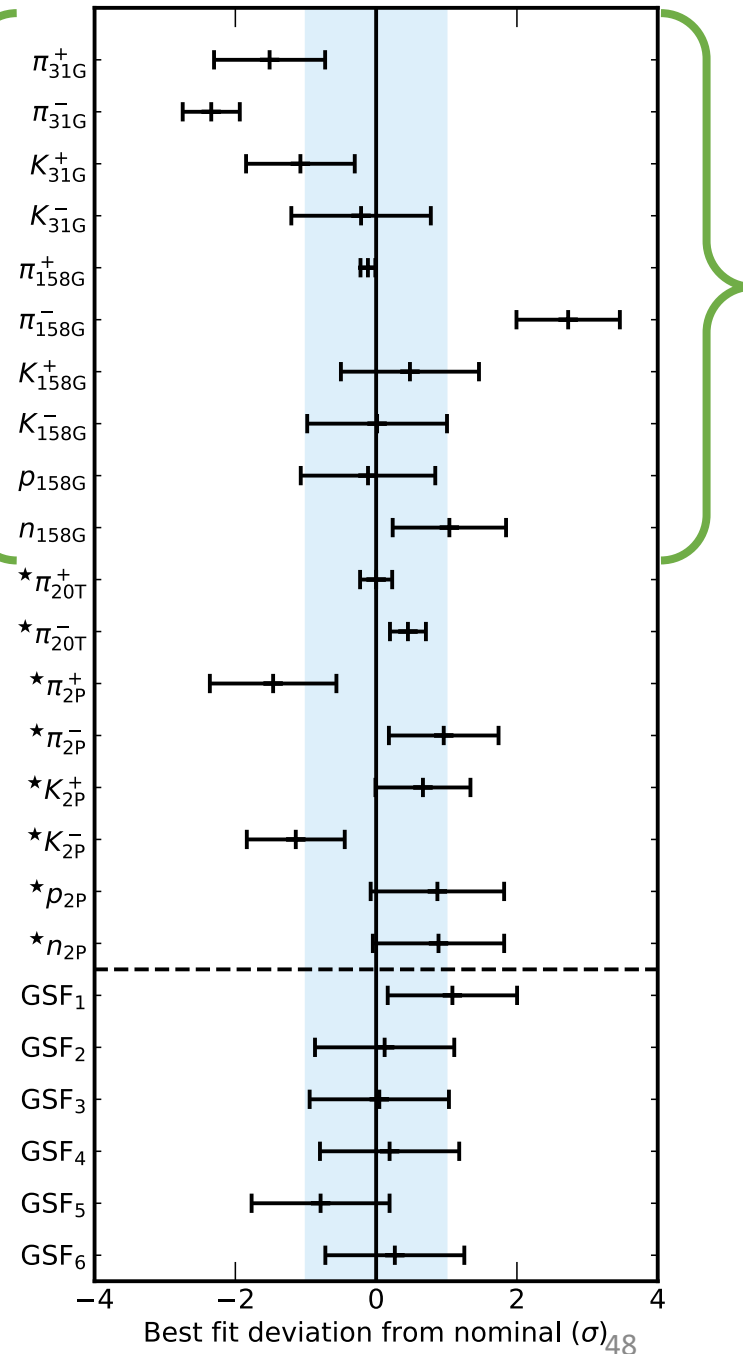


- Each line represents a collider running at fixed \sqrt{s}
- Gap in x between LHC coverage is due to the beam pipe
- Detectors need particle ID capability & sufficient luminosity
- Indirect constraints from new forward detectors like FASER and the proposed FPF (see 2203.05090)
- New insights expected from proton-oxygen collisions in Run3

Fitted parameter values



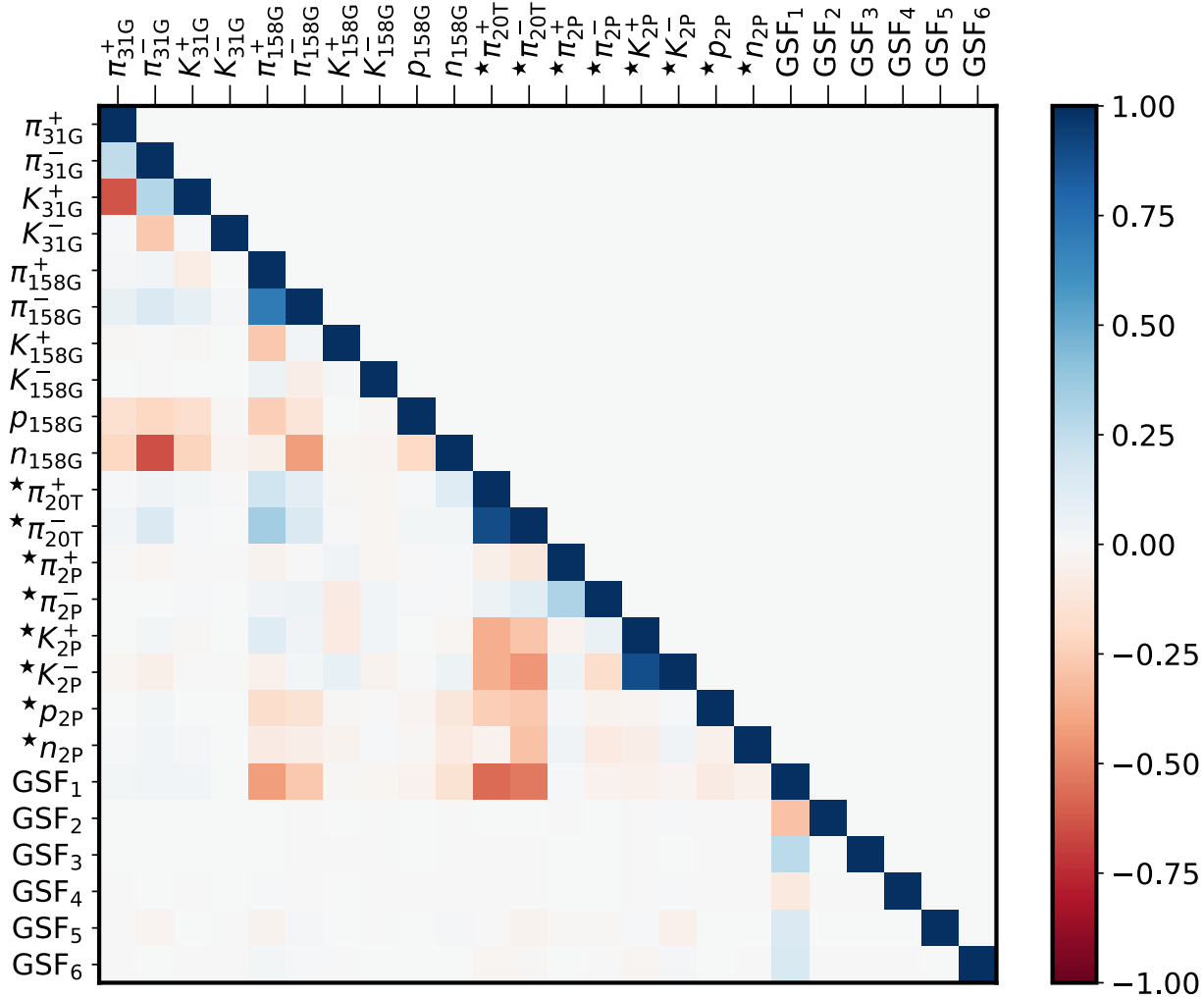
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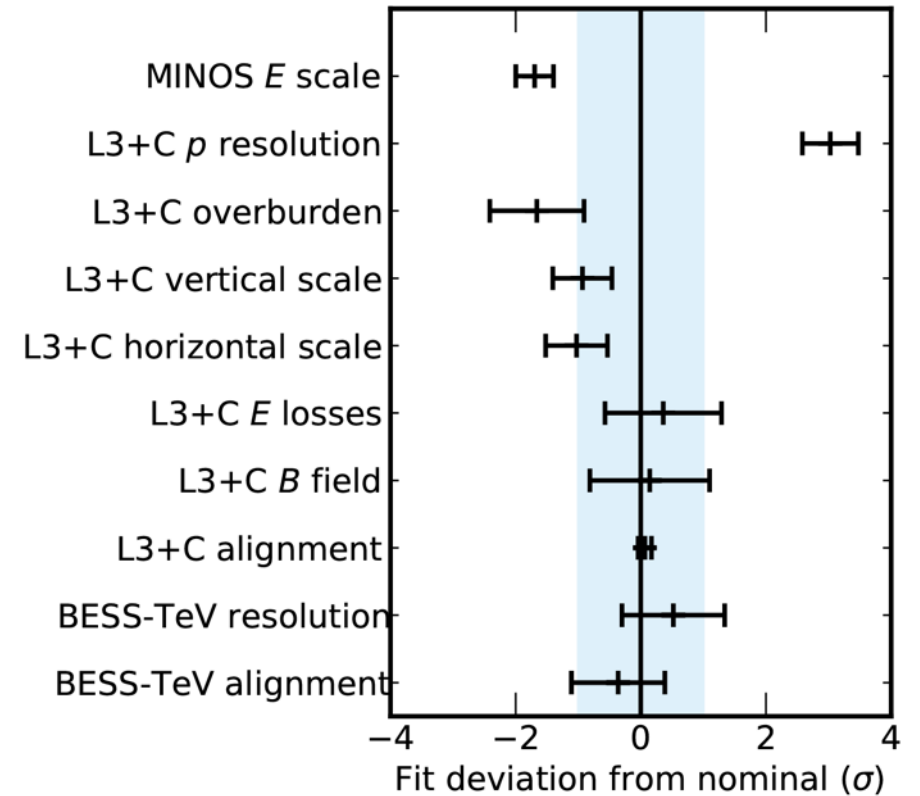
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Systematic parameters and Fit quality



Physics parameter part of the correlation matrix: Total 34 parameters: 18 hadrons + 6 GSF + 10 experimental

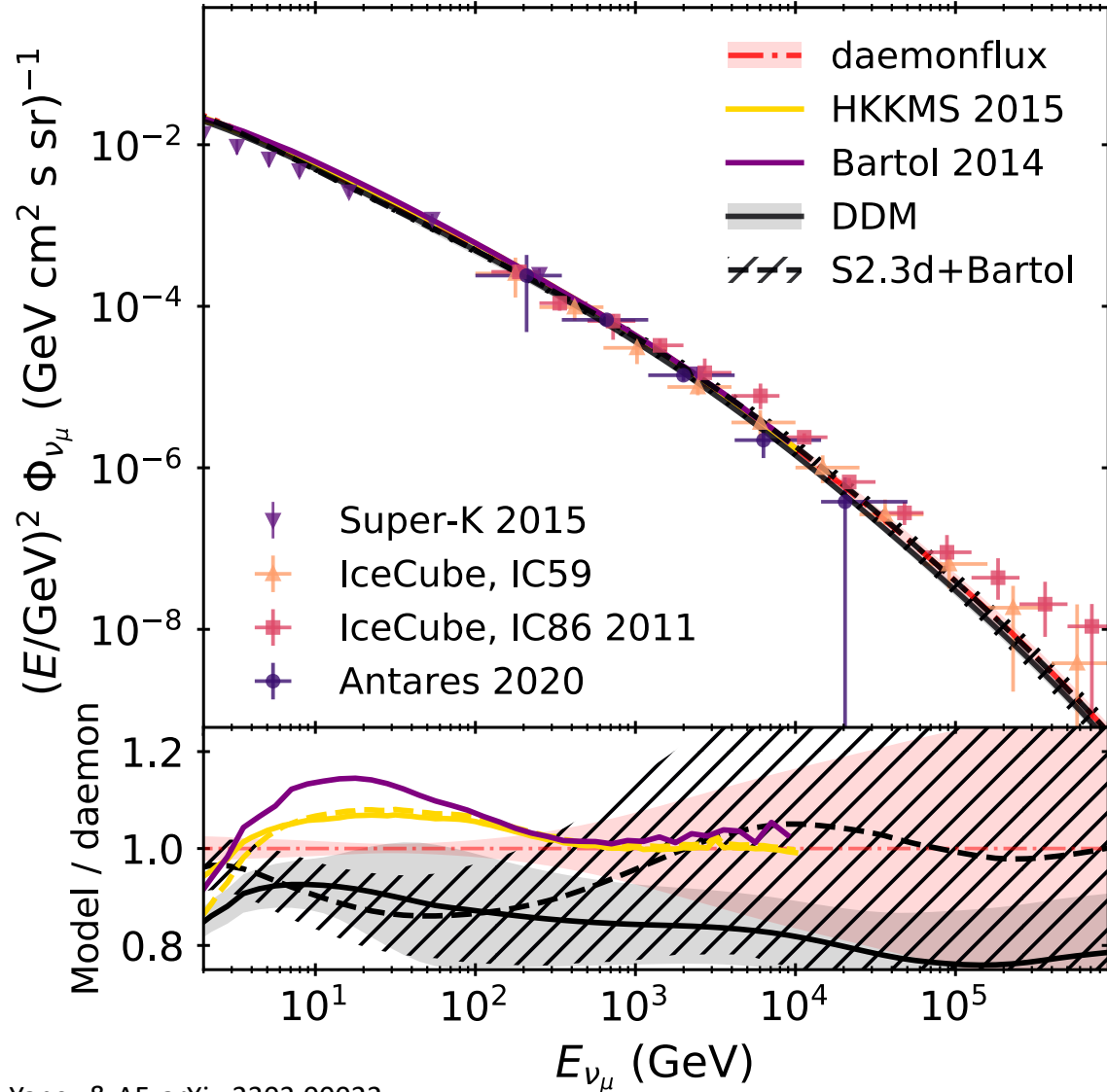


**Chi² 199/ 217 dof (approximate)
P-value = 81%**

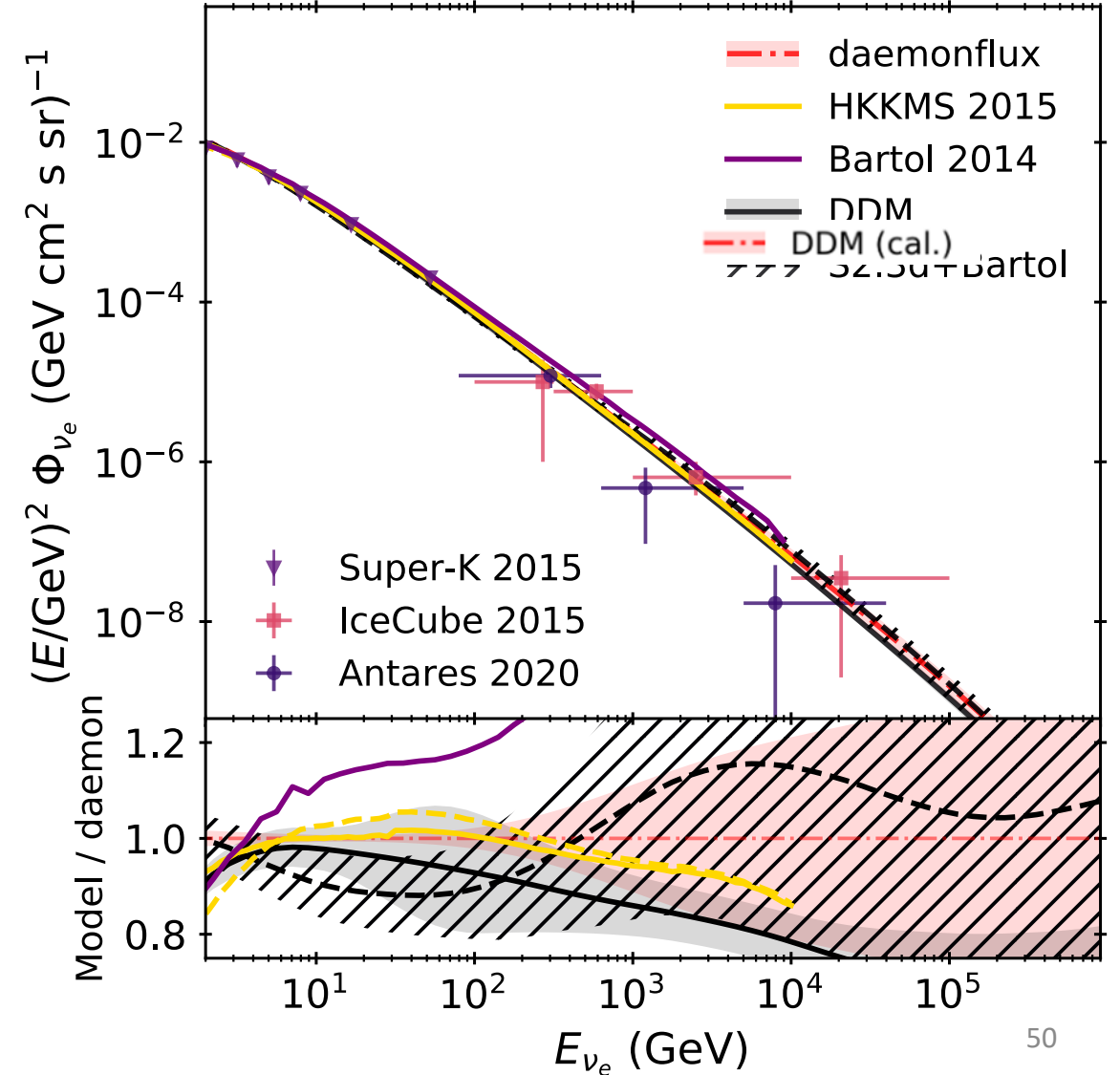
Neutrino fluxes

hatched area: uncertainty from
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Muon neutrinos



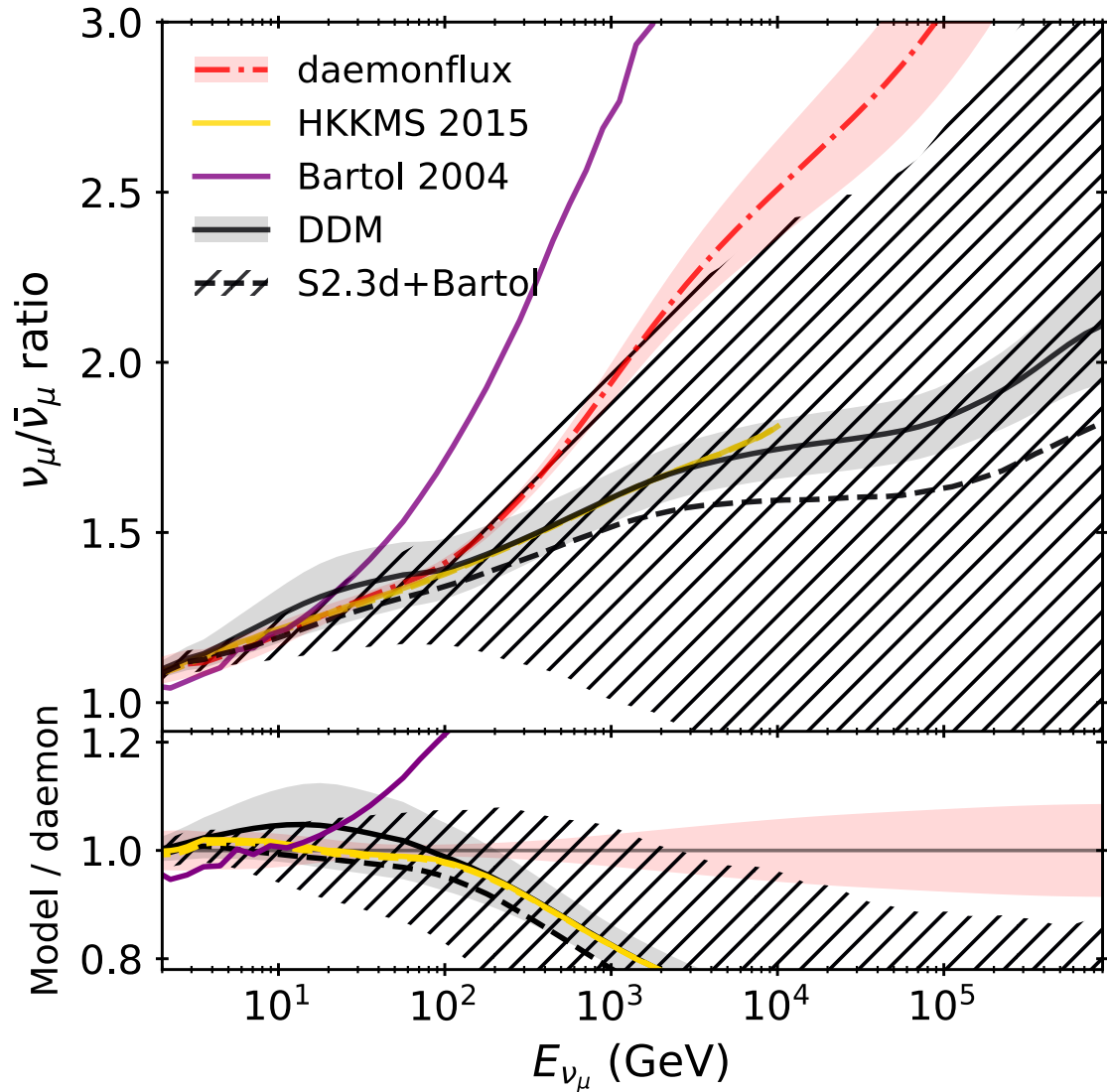
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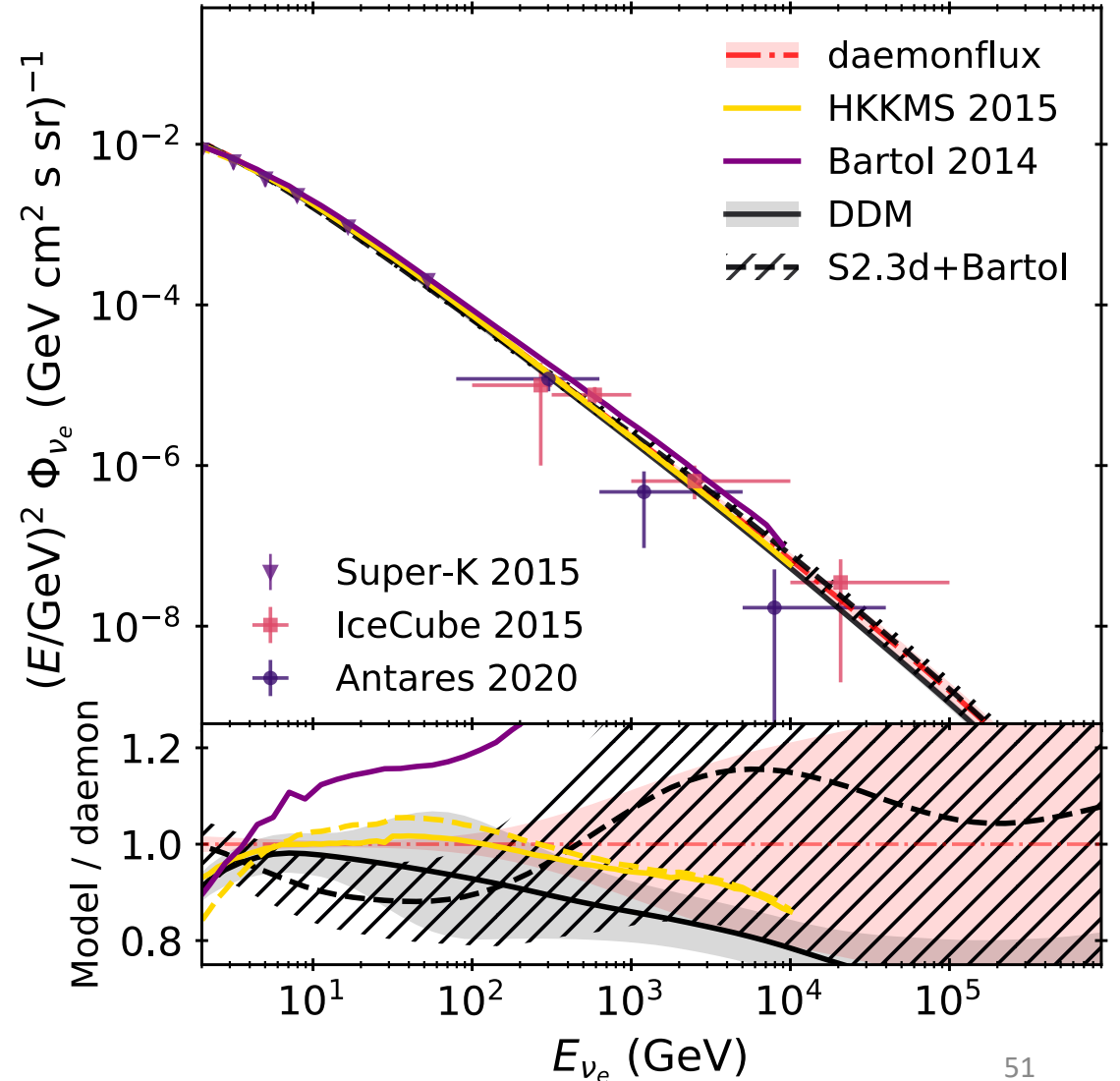
Neutrino ratios

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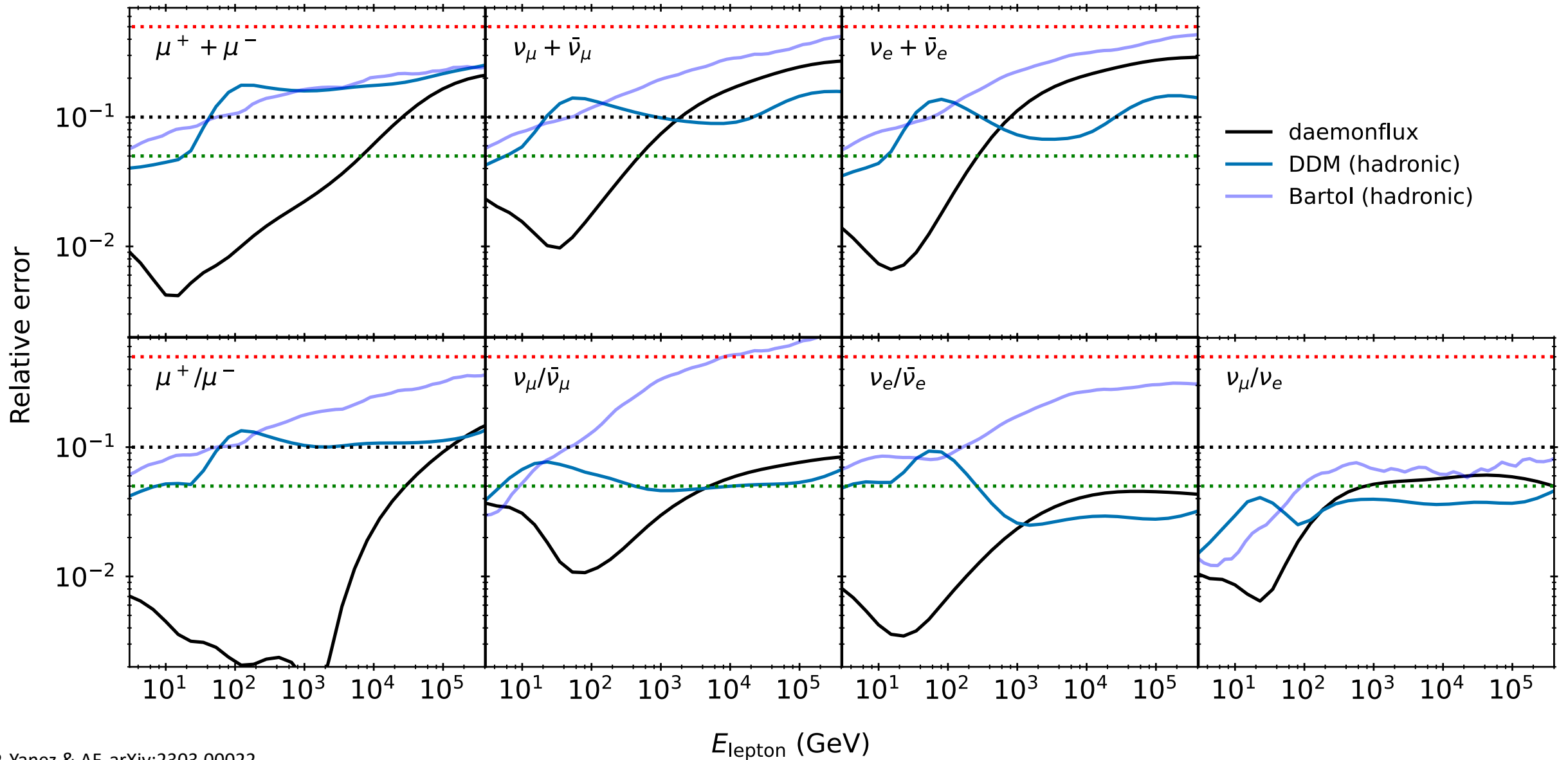
Numu/numubar ratio



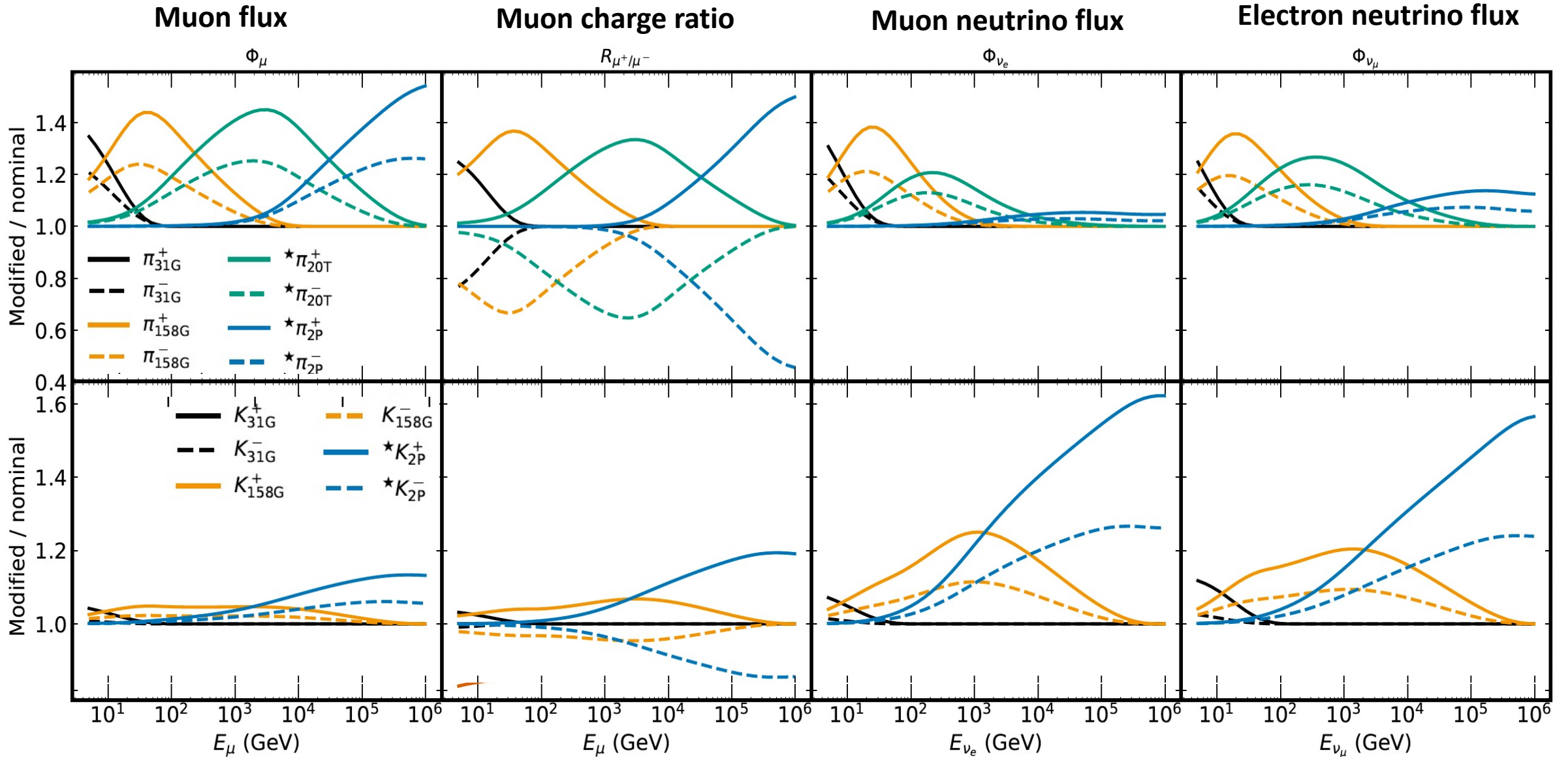
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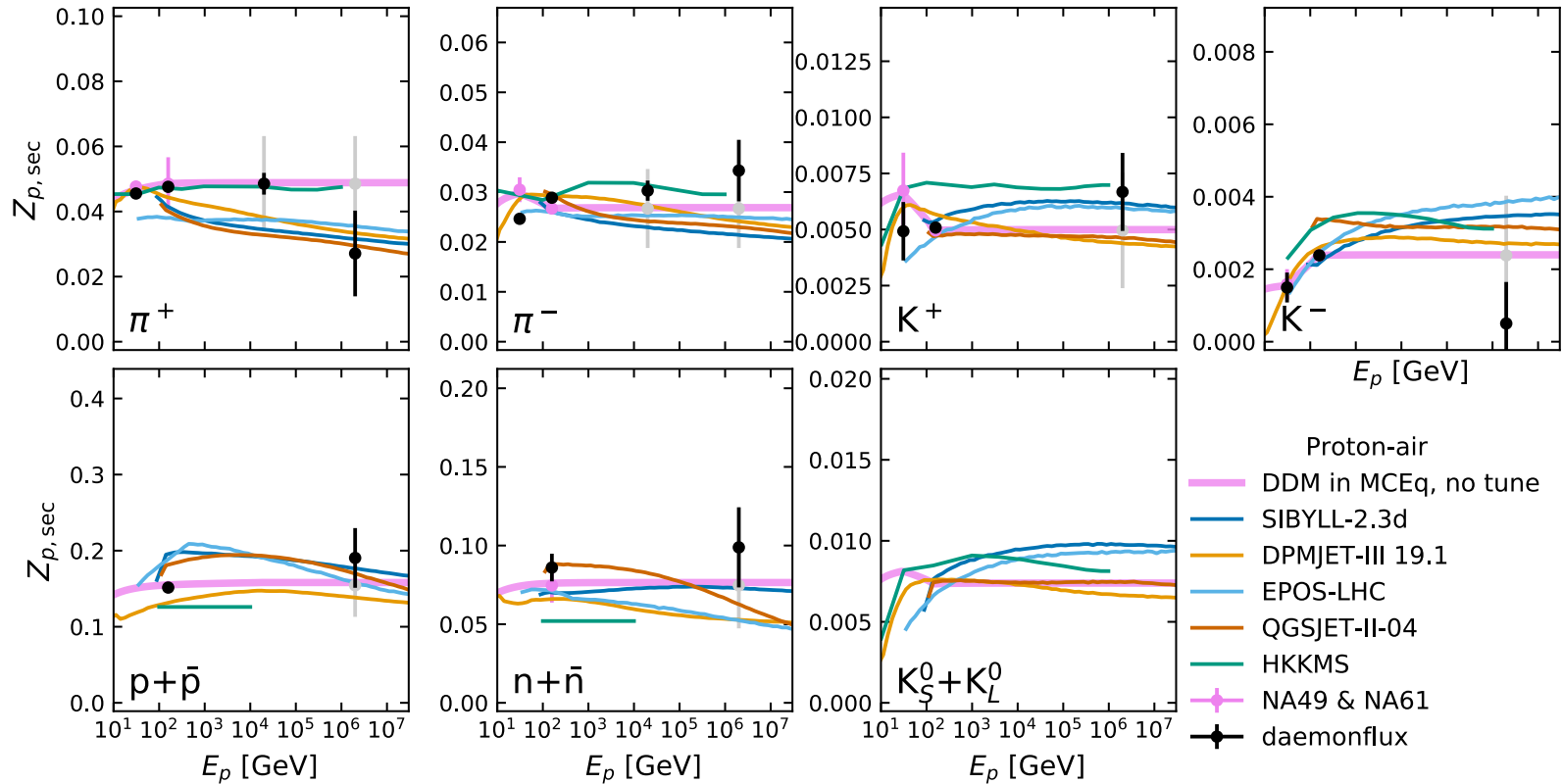
Total uncertainty of daemonflux (DDM+GSF+Fit)



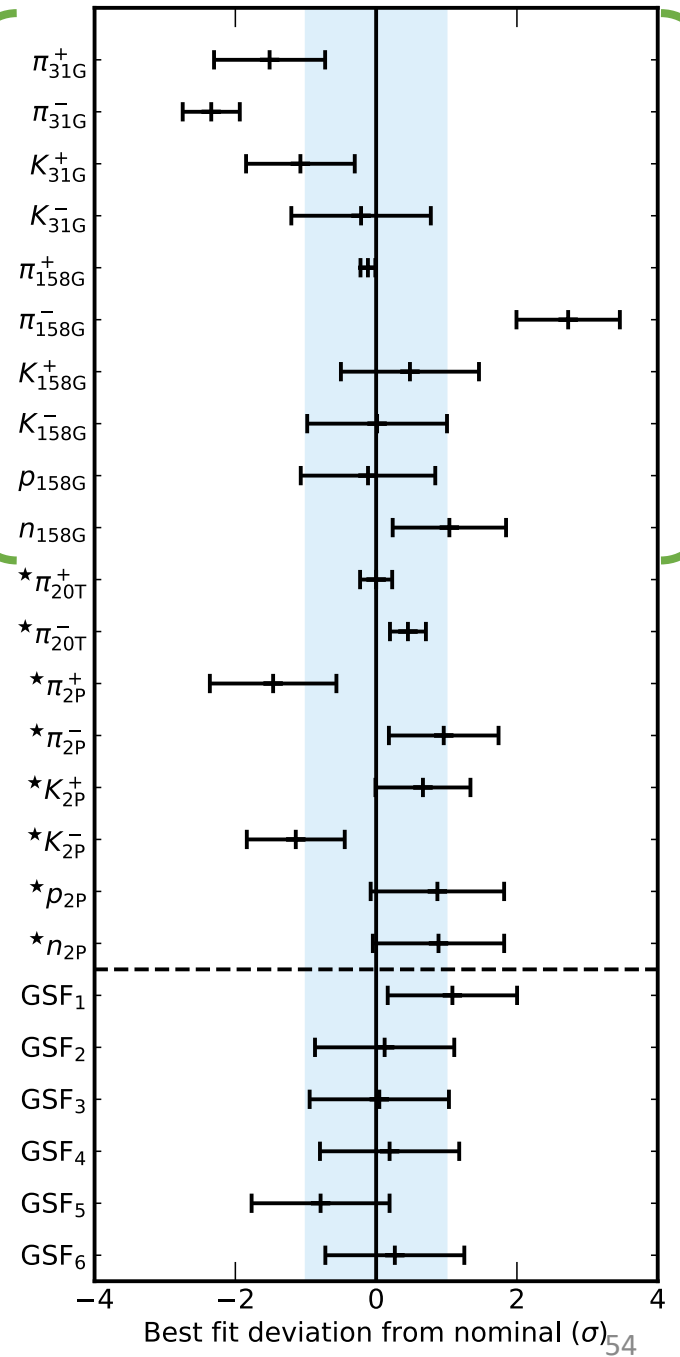
Choice of extrapolation parameters above “DDM energies”



Fitted parameter values



Accelerator
constrained



MUTE (Muon inTnsity codE): fast convolutions

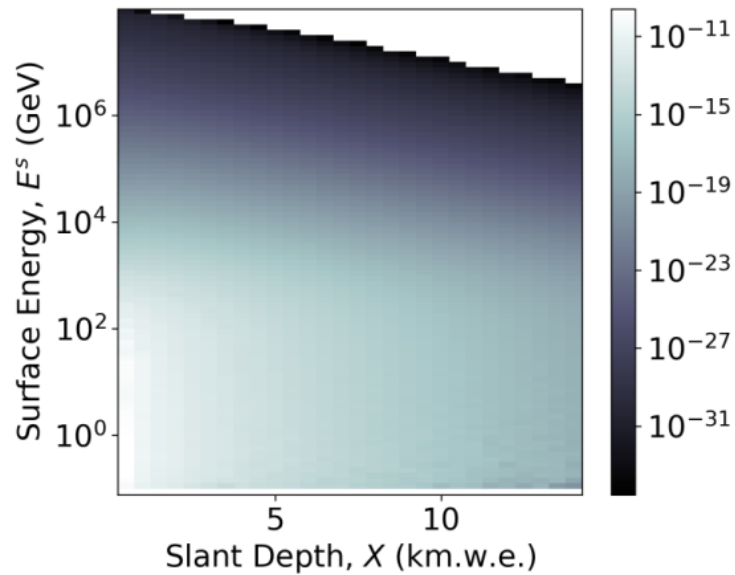
AF, **W. Woodley**, M.-C. Piro, *ApJ* **928** 27 (2022)

<https://github.com/wjwoodley/mute>

W. Woodley, TeVPa 2022 and Woodley, AF, Piro in prep.

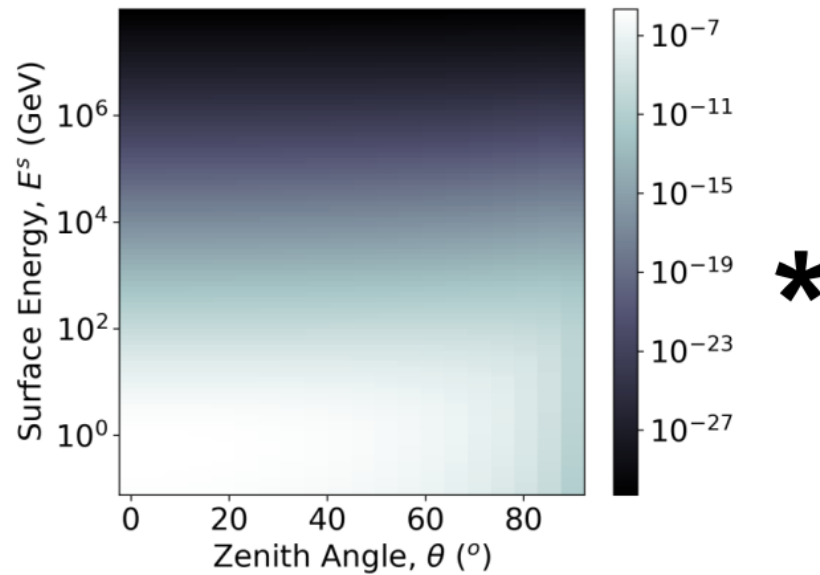
$$\Phi^u(E_j^u, X_k, \theta_k) = \sum_i \Phi^s(E_i^s, \theta_k) P(E_i^s, E_j^u, X_k) \left(\frac{\Delta E_i^s}{\Delta E_j^u} \right)$$

Φ^u



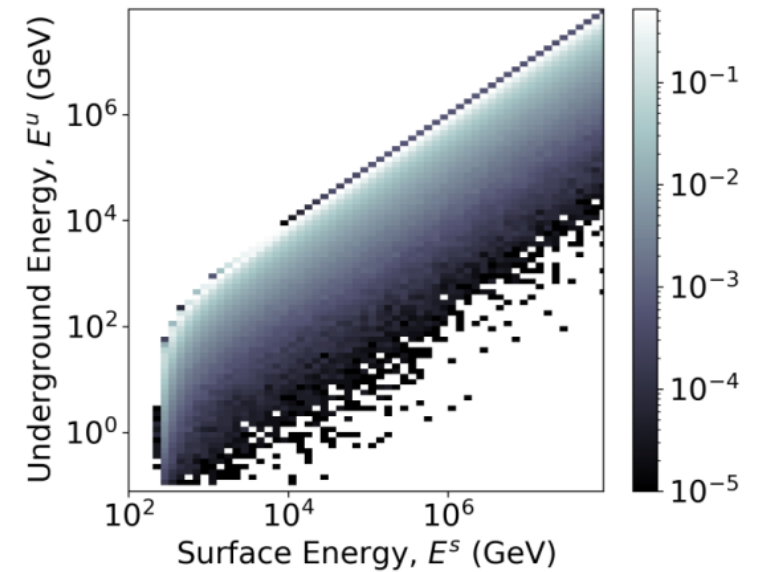
MUTE
Underground Fluxes

Φ^s



MCEq
Surface Fluxes

P



PROPOSAL
Transfer Tensor