



# T2K Results and Plans

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# Neutrino oscillations

$$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$$

$$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$$

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

- Mixing between **flavor eigenstates (interacting states)** and **mass eigenstates (propagating states)** governed by Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Atmospheric  
Accelerator

$$\theta_{23} \sim 48^\circ$$

$$|\Delta m_{32}^2| \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-3} eV^2$$

Reactor  
Accelerator

$$\theta_{13} \sim 8^\circ$$

$$\delta_{CP} = ?$$

Solar  
Reactor

$$\theta_{12} \sim 34^\circ$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \sim 7.5 \times 10^{-5} eV^2$$

# Open questions

- Neutrino mass ordering
  - Normal ( $\Delta m_{32}^2 > 0$ ) or inverted ( $\Delta m_{32}^2 < 0$ )
- $\theta_{23}$  octant
  - Upper ( $\sin^2 \theta_{23} > 0.5$ ) or lower ( $\sin^2 \theta_{23} < 0.5$ ) or  $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$
- CP violation in neutrino sector
  - $\delta_{CP} \neq 0, \pi$  indicates  $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) \neq P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)$  in vacuum

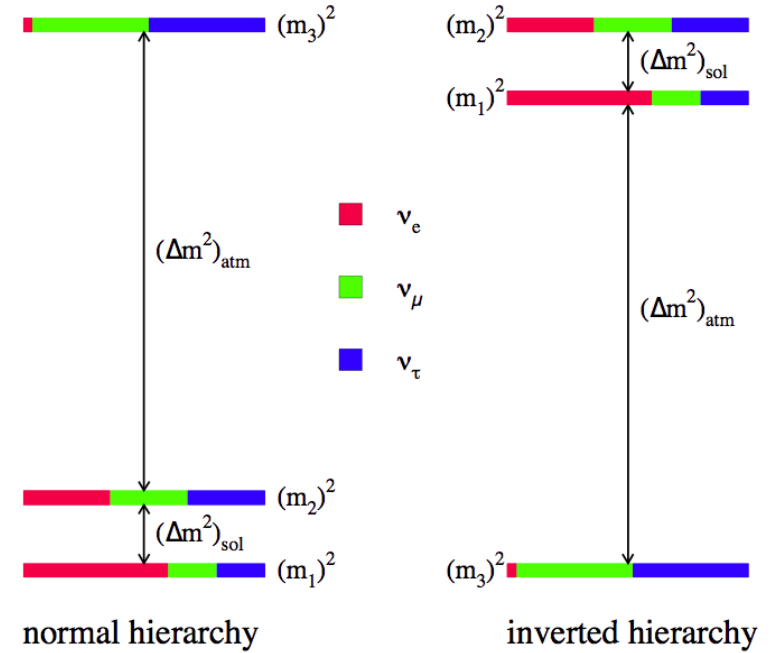
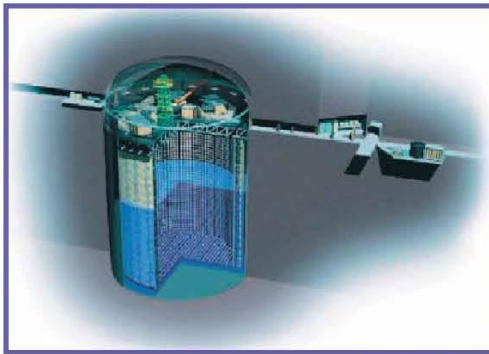


Figure from [here](#)

**T2K is well sensitive to answer all three questions!**

# Tokai-to-Kamioka (T2K) experiment

- Study oscillation of neutrino beam from **J-PARC**
  - Intense  $\nu$  or  $\bar{\nu}$  beam from **J-PARC neutrino beamline**
  - **Near(280 m)/far(295 km)** neutrino detectors, **ND280/Super-K**



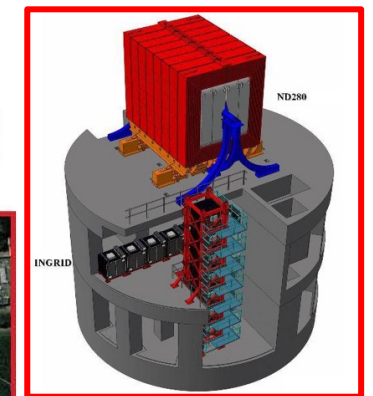
**Super-Kamiokande**  
(ICRR, Univ. Tokyo)



**J-PARC Main Ring**  
(KEK-JAEA, Tokai)

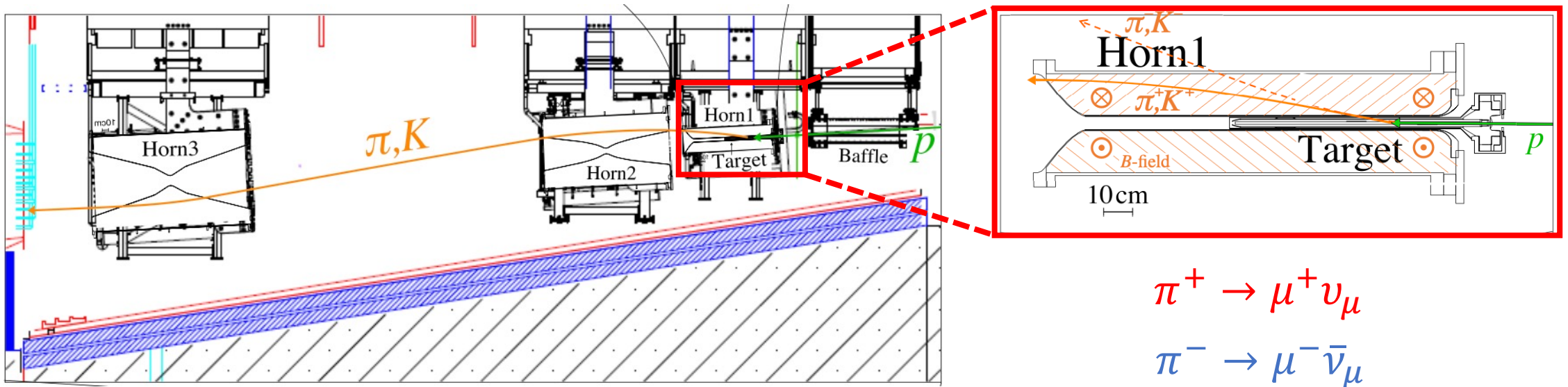


**ND280**



# T2K neutrino beam

- 30 GeV protons strike the 90 cm long graphite target, producing  $\pi$ , K.
- Three magnetic horns selectively focus  $\pi^+$ ,  $K^+$  or  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^-$  to produce  $\nu$  or  $\bar{\nu}$  beam (decay in-flight).

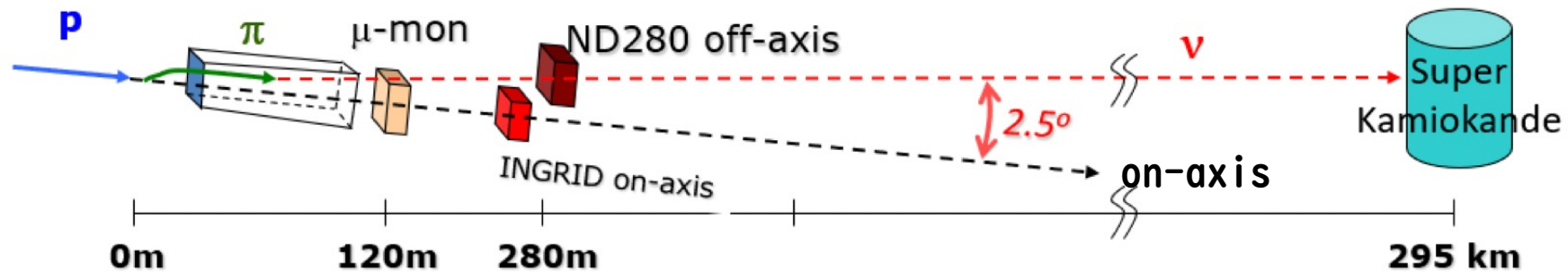
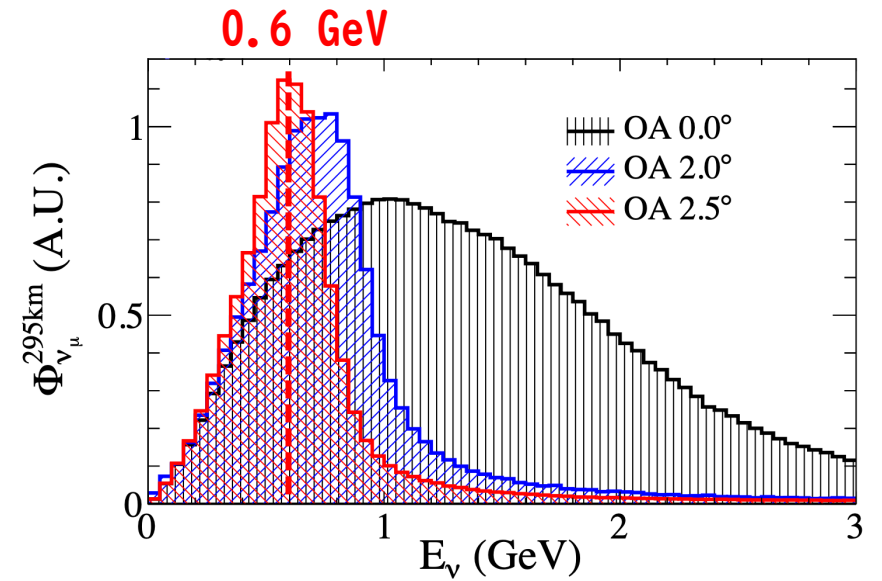


# Off-axis beam

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \sim 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu}\right)$$

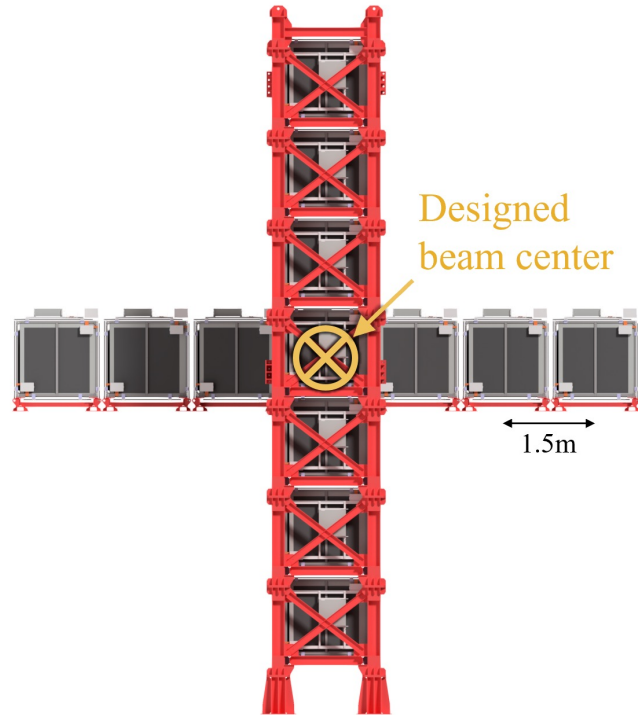
## • T2K experiment

- $L = 295 \text{ km}$ ,  $\Delta m_{23}^2 \sim 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$   
 → Oscillation maximum @  $E_\nu \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV}$
- Off-axis angle =  $2.5^\circ$ 
  - Select flux at the oscillation maximum
  - Reduce high energy  $\nu$  backgrounds
  - CCQE is the dominant interaction



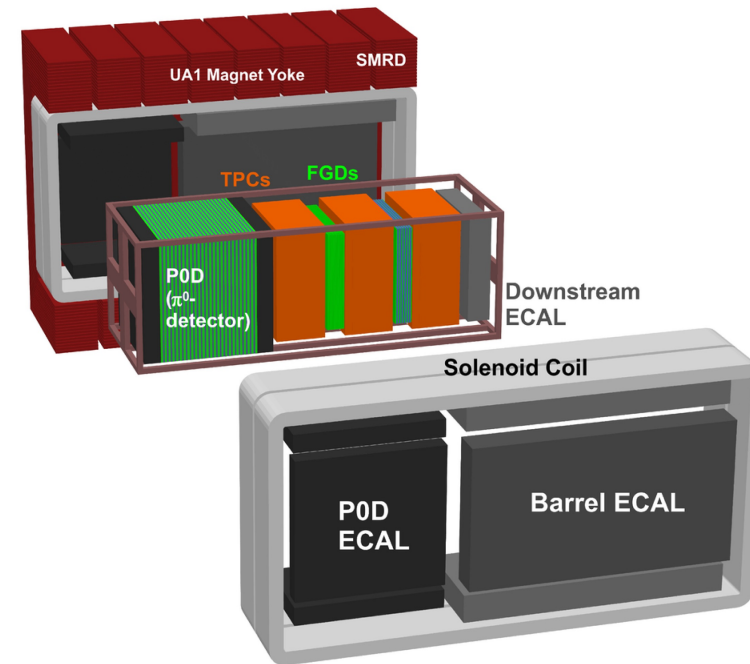


# Near detectors



## INGRID (on-axis)

- Beam monitor (direction and intensity)

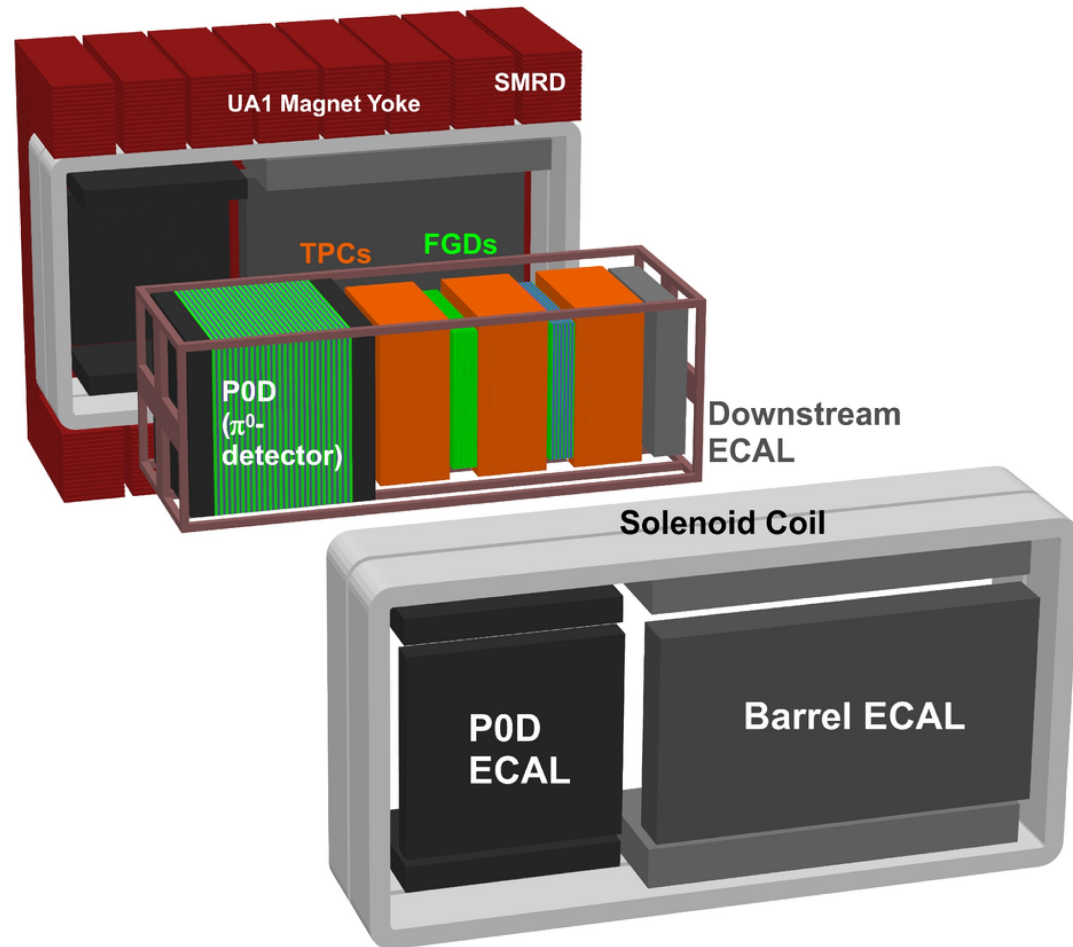


## ND280 ( $2.5^\circ$ off-axis)

- constraints on beam flux and  $\nu$  interactions
- $\nu$  cross section measurements



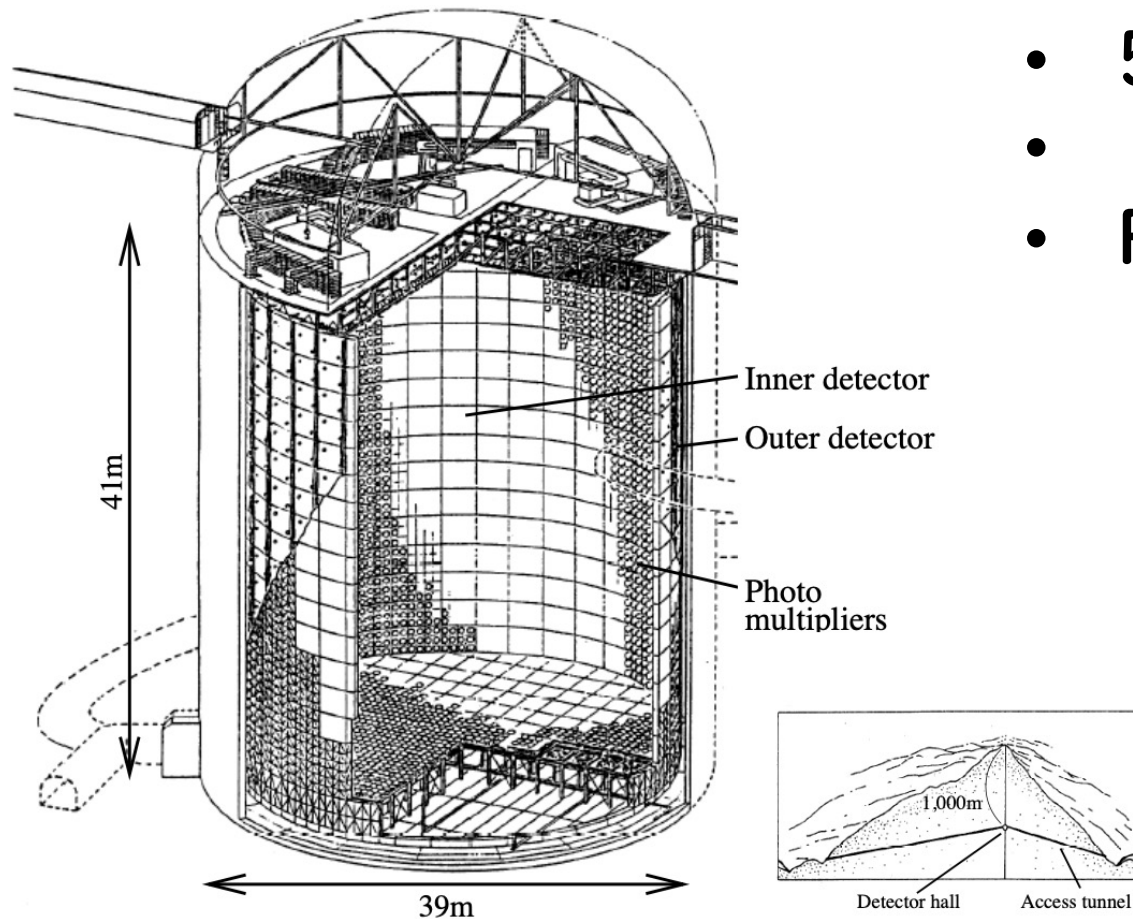
# ND280 (2.5° off-axis)



- **FGDs**: Active **scintillator** + passive **water** targets
- **Magnetized (0.2 T)** for charge and momentum measurement with **TPCs**
- **ECALs**: Electromagnetic Calorimeters

# Super-Kamiokande – the far detector

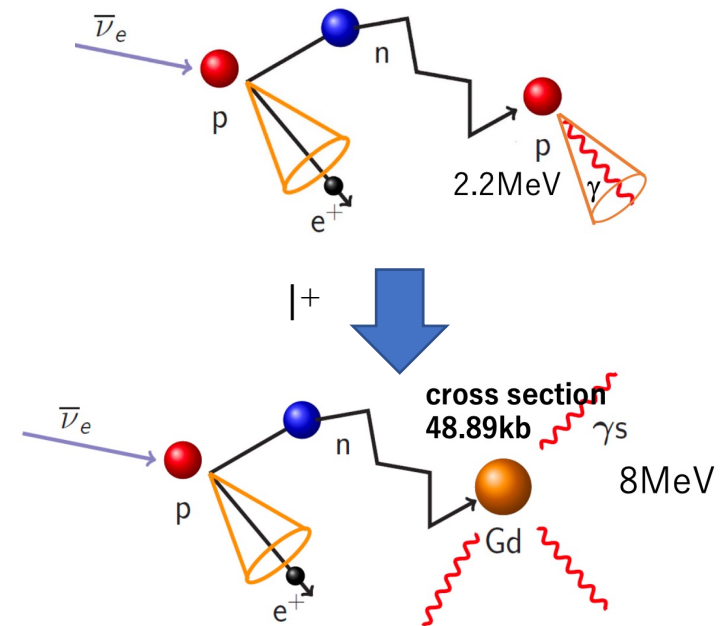
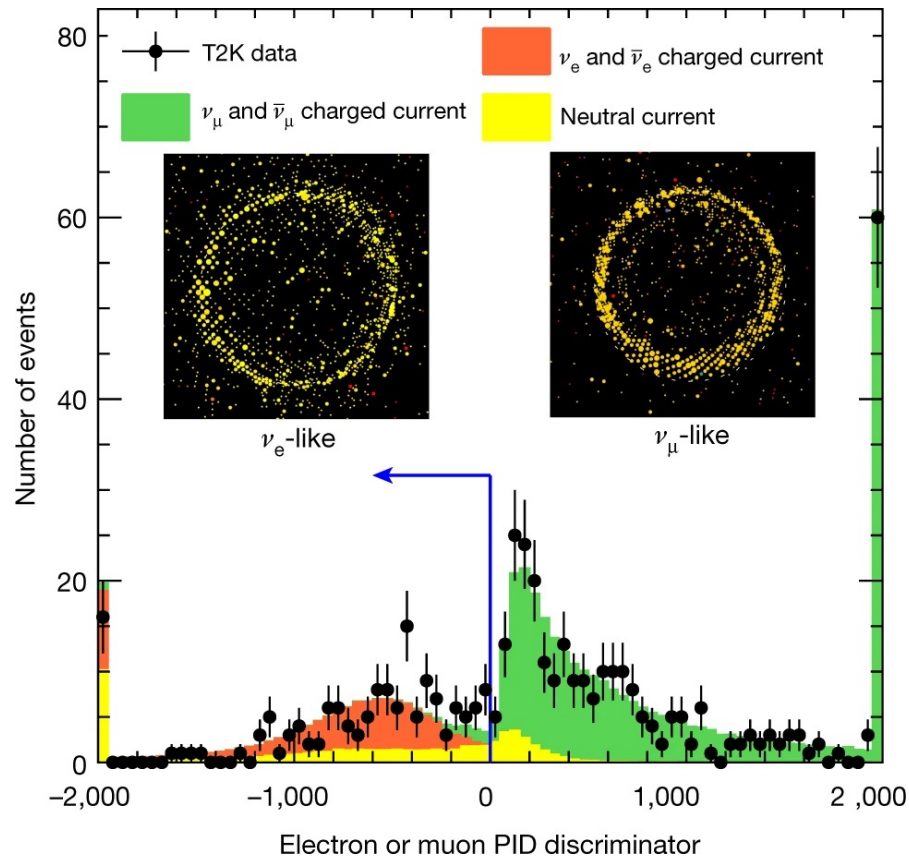
- 50 kton water Cherenkov detector
- 11000 20-inch PMTs
- Reconstruct neutrino energy from  $e/\mu$  momentum and angle w.r.t beam



# Super-Kamiokande – the far detector

- Good  $\mu/e$  PID from ring shape
- Now loaded with Gd for improved neutron tagging

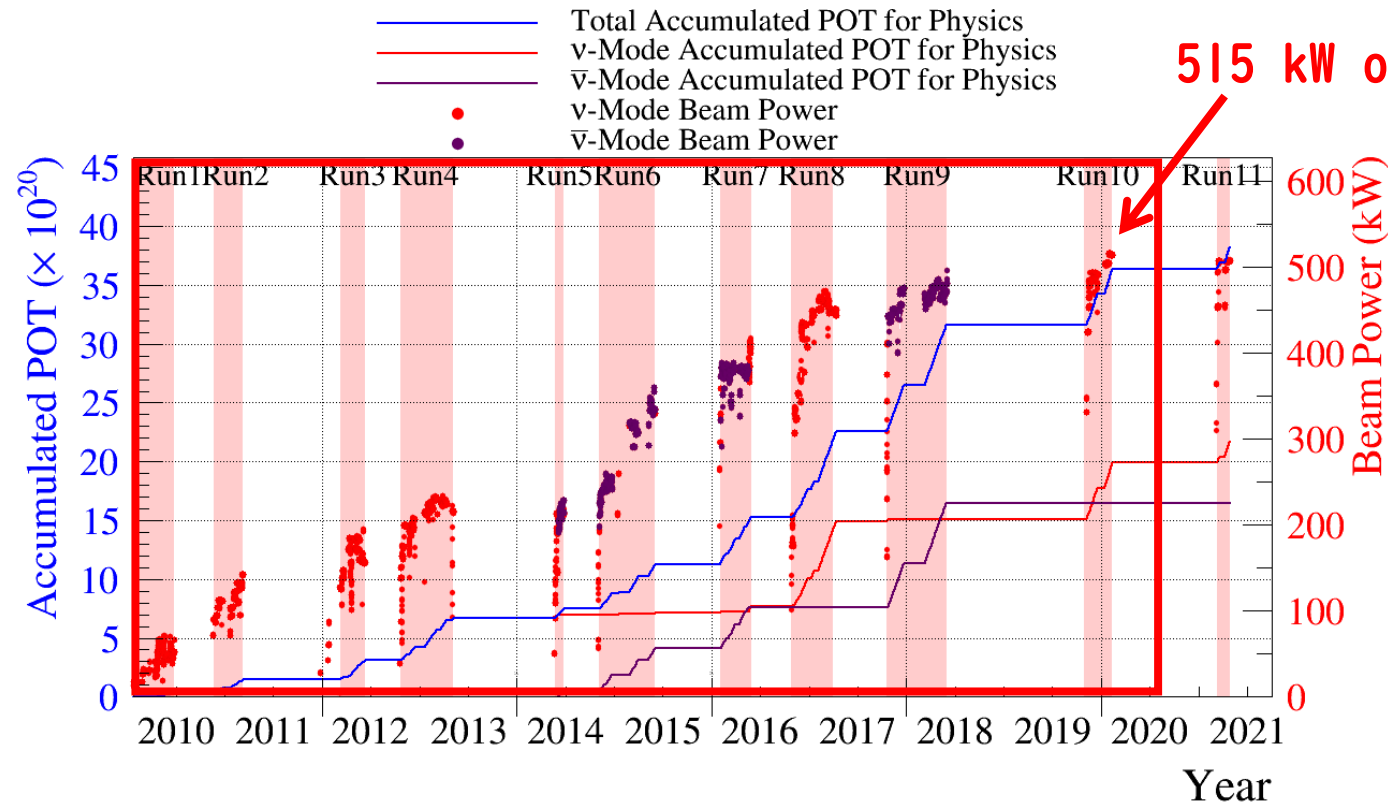
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may provide wrong-sign background constraint in  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  samples

# Dataset

- This talk (Run 1-10):  $3.6 \times 10^{21}$  protons on target (POT)
  - One more year of data available with Gd at SK (Run 11)



ND280

$\nu$ -mode:  $1.39 \times 10^{21}$  POT

$\bar{\nu}$ -mode:  $0.63 \times 10^{21}$  POT

Far detector

$\nu$ -mode:  $1.97 \times 10^{21}$  POT

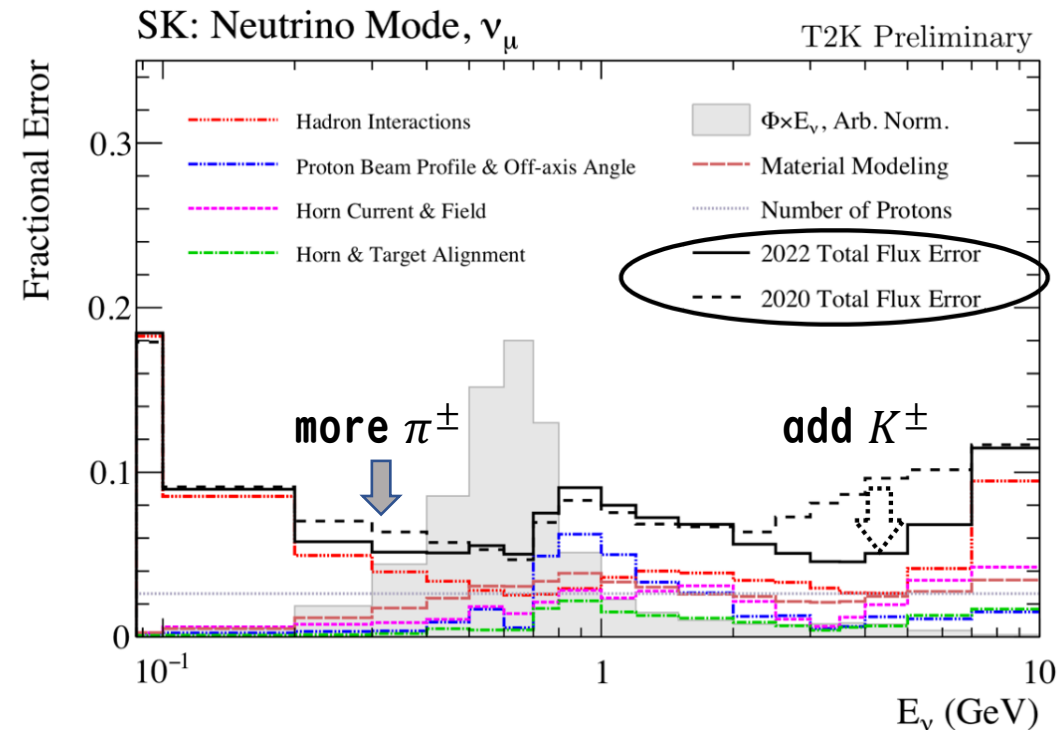
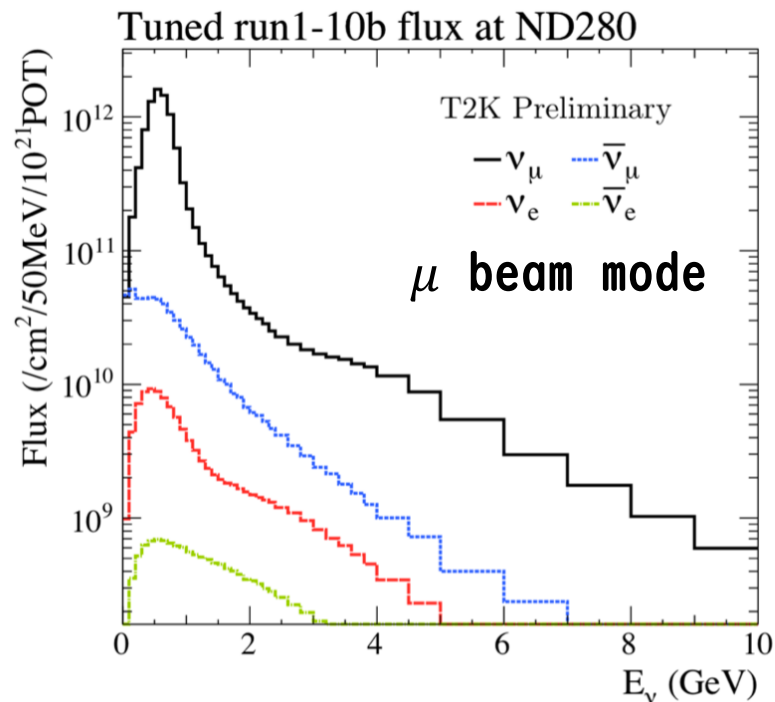
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode:  $1.63 \times 10^{21}$  POT

# Data used for Oscillation analysis

- Beam monitors + INGRID + hadron production experiments  
→ Neutrino flux prediction
- ND280 measurements + external measurements  
→ Near detector fit: Neutrino flux x  $\nu$  interaction
- 6 samples at Super-Kamiokande  
→ Neutrino oscillation analysis

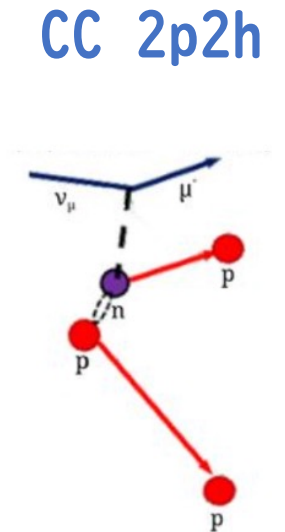
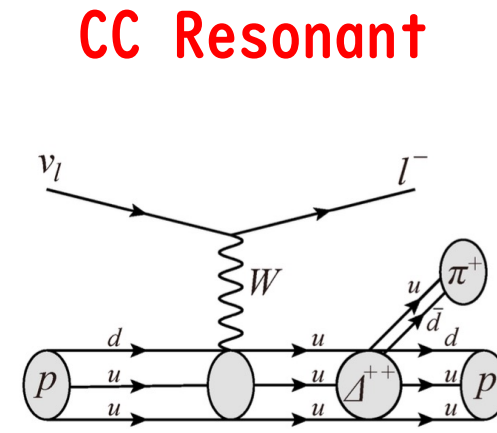
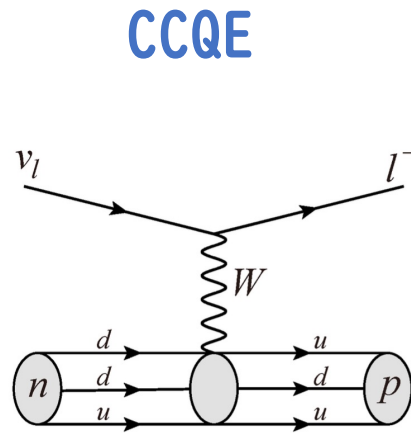
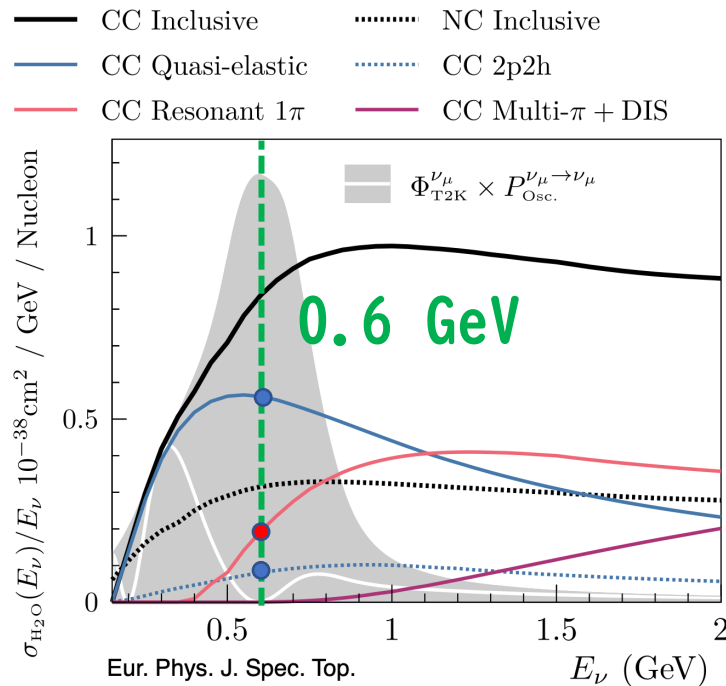
# Neutrino flux prediction

- Hadron production data from NA61/SHINE 2010 T2K replica target data (Eur. Phys. J. C79, 100) are adapted.
  - More statistics for  $\pi^\pm$  production & add  $K^\pm$  and proton data



# Neutrino interaction model

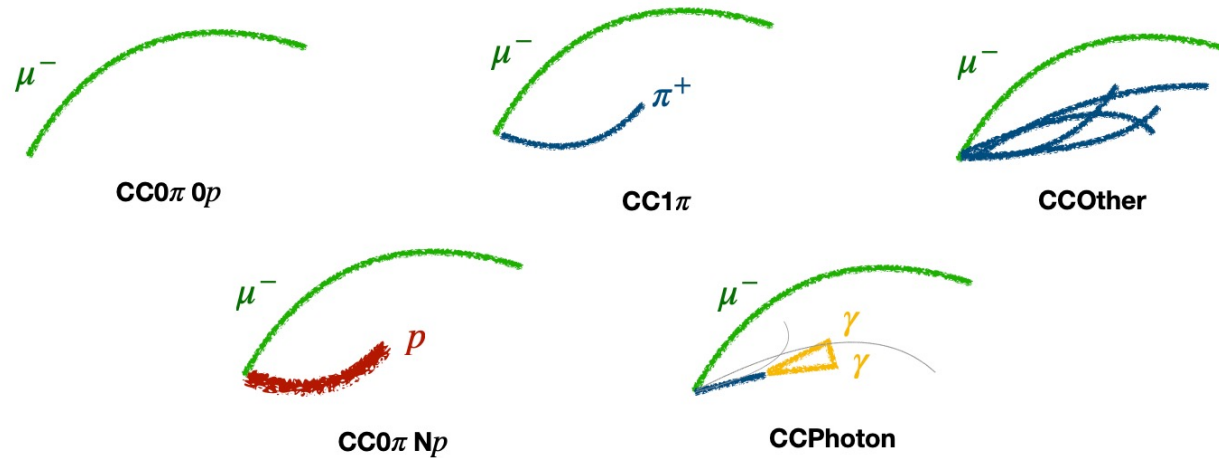
- **CCQE**: Spectral Function model
- **CC Resonant**: Rein-Sehgal model with RFG model
- **CC 2p2h**





# ND280 samples ( $\nu$ beam mode)

- Separate events by observed particles ( $\pi^\pm$ , p,  $\gamma$ )

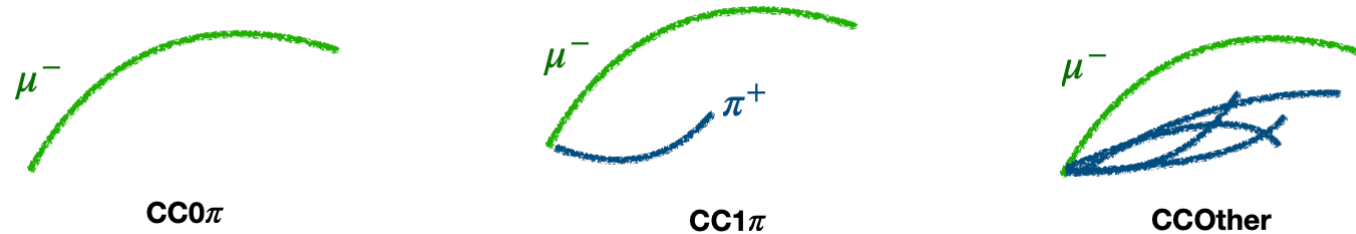


- 2 target materials: FGD1(C) and FGD2(C+0)

$$5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ samples}$$

# ND280 samples ( $\bar{\nu}$ beam mode)

- Separate events by observed particles ( $\pi^\pm$ )



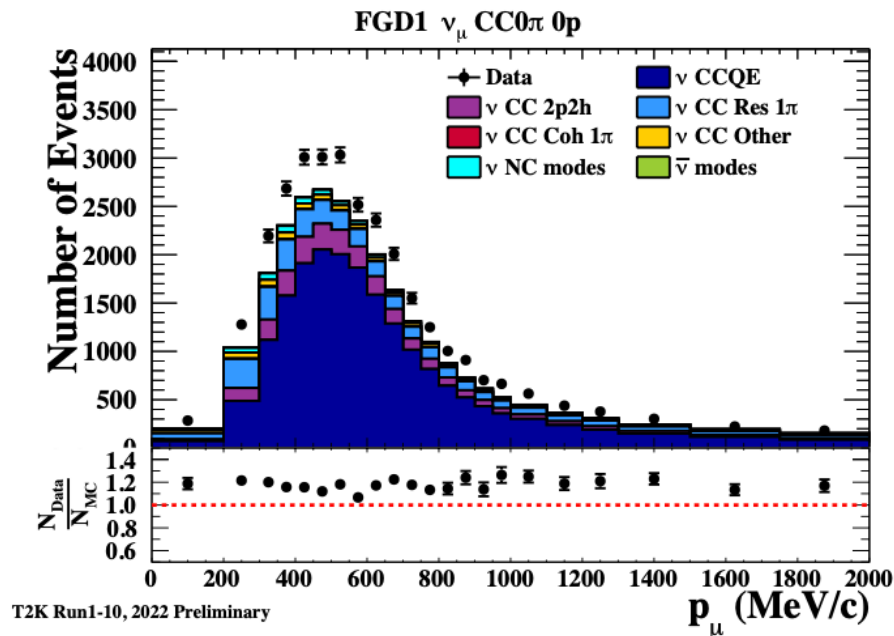
- Separate **Right-sign** ( $\mu^+$ ) and **Wrong-sign** ( $\mu^-$ )

- **2** target materials: FGD1(C) and FGD2(C+0)

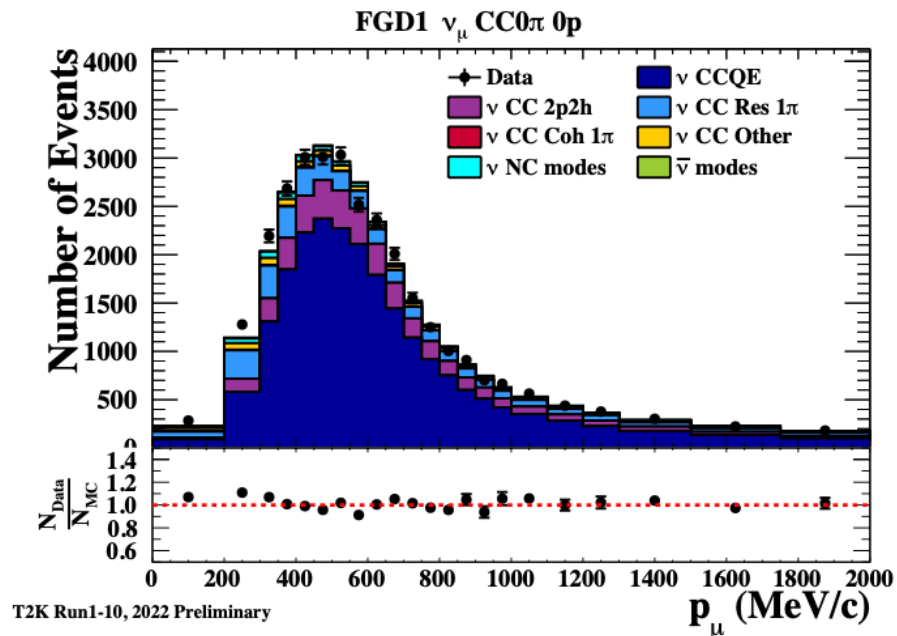
$$3 \times 2 \times 2 = 12 \text{ samples}$$

# ND280 fit

- Tuning the beam flux and neutrino interaction models with ND280 data.



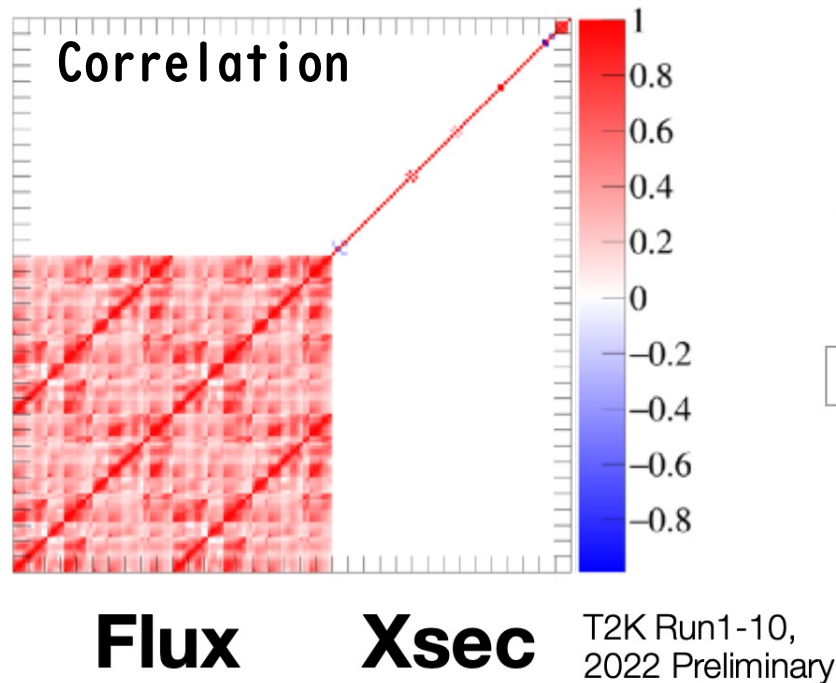
fit  
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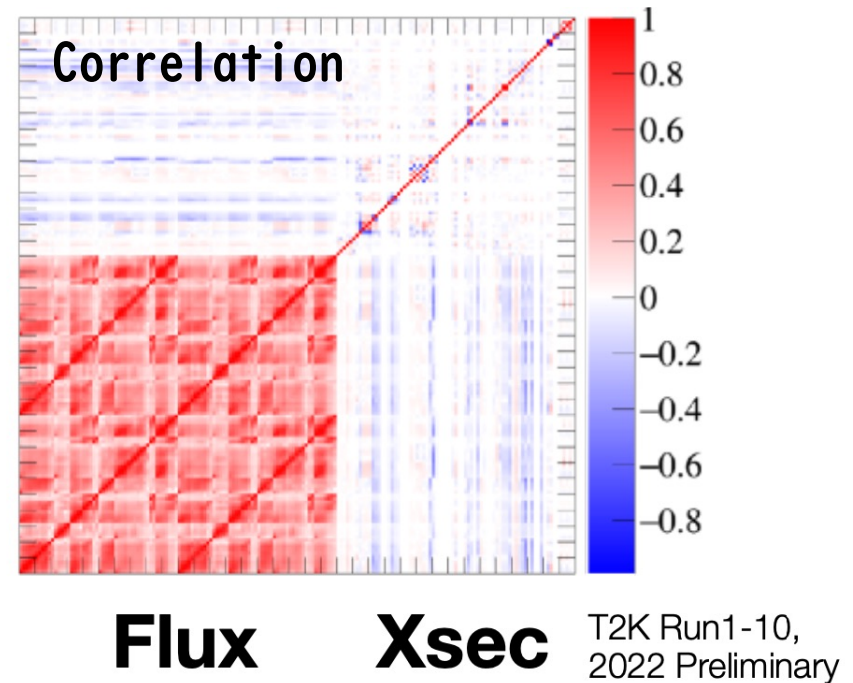
ND280 fit p-value: 10.9% (>5% threshold)

# ND280 fit

- Fit result with correlated beam flux x neutrino cross section propagated to far detector analysis via covariance matrix.

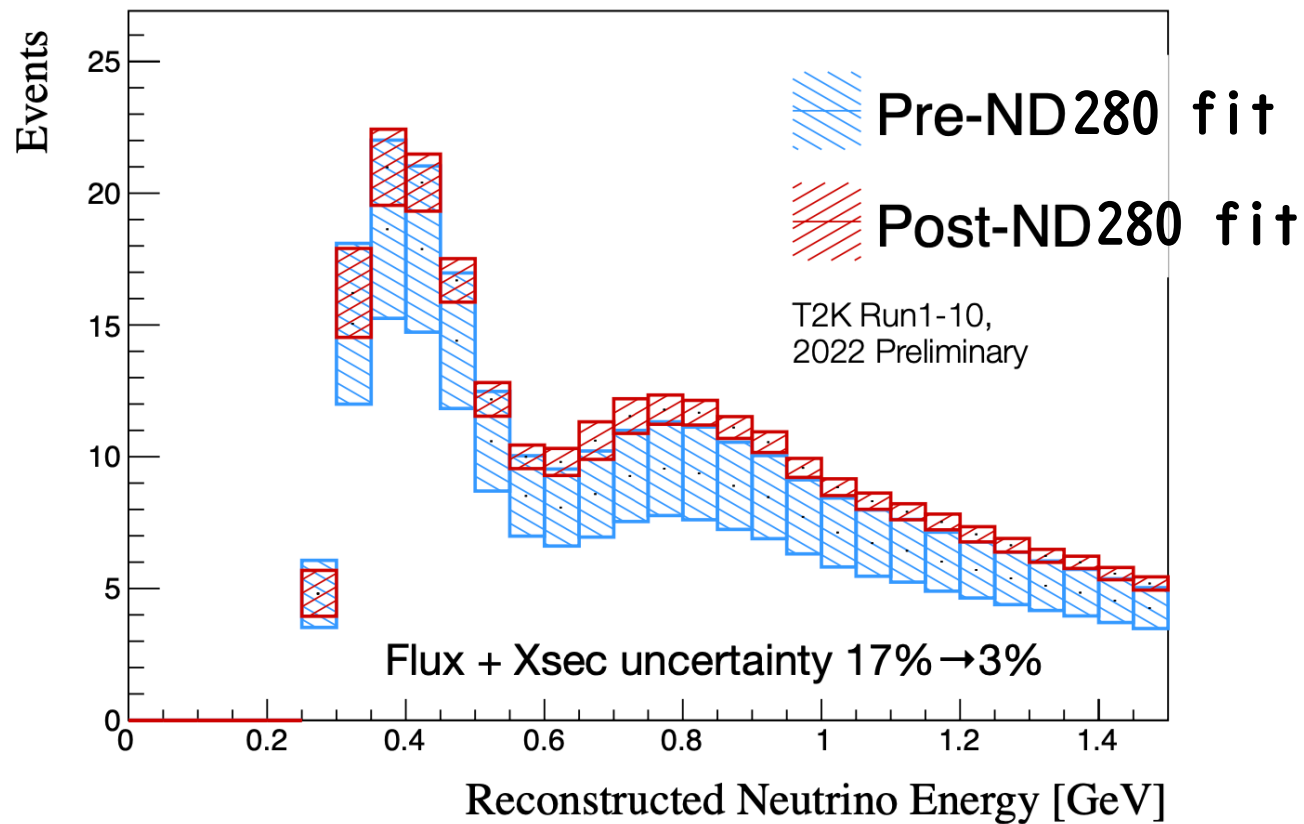


fit



# ND280 fit

- Total systematic uncertainty on # of I Ring  $\mu$  events at Super-Kamiokande ( $\nu$  beam mode)

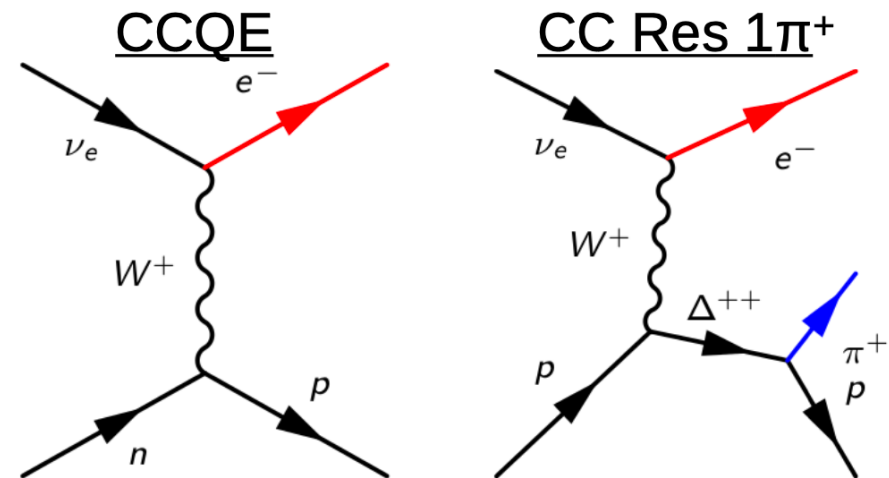


# Super-K: Single ring samples

- Nominal event selection targets CCQE events, by selecting events with one ring e-like ( $1R_e$ ) or one ring  $\mu$ -like ( $1R_\mu$ ).
- **One additional sample** in  $\nu$  beam mode targets **CC  $1\pi\nu_e$**  events, tagging Michel electron (M.e) from pion decay.

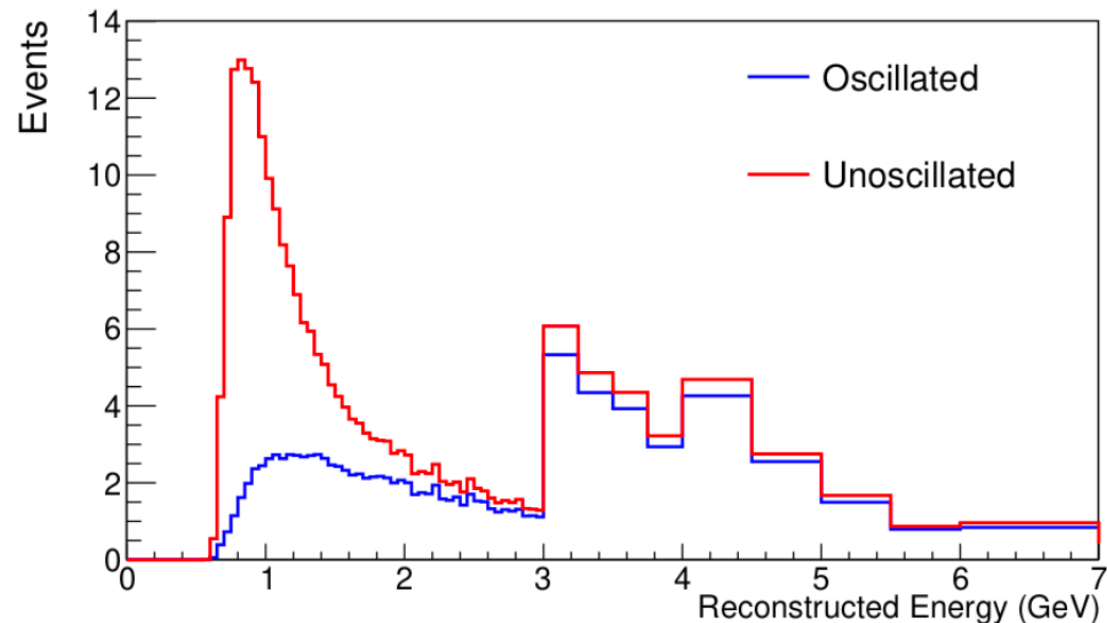
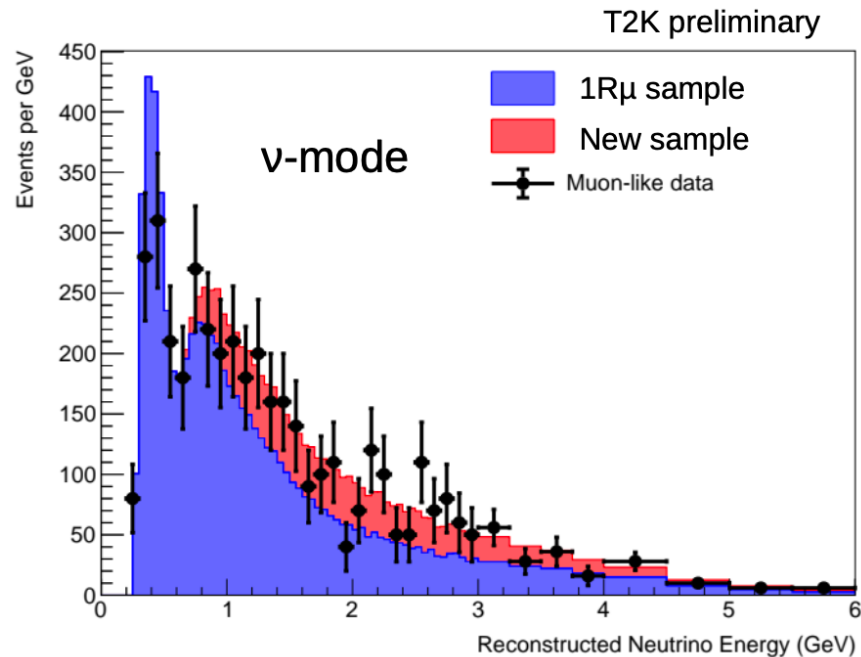
## 5 samples

	e-like	$\mu$ -like
$\nu$ beam	$1R_e + 0 \text{ M.e}$	$1R_\mu + 0/1 \text{ M.e}$
	<b><math>1R_e + 1 \text{ M.e}</math></b>	
$\bar{\nu}$ beam	$1R_e + 0 \text{ M.e}$	$1R_\mu + 0/1 \text{ M.e}$



# Super-K: new sample

- is targeting  $\nu_\mu$   $\text{CCl}\pi^+$  interactions in  $\nu$  beam mode
- Combination of “ $1R_\mu + 2\text{M.e}$ ” and two ring  $\mu$ -like ( $2R_\mu$ )
- Increase  $\nu$ -mode  $\mu$ -like statistics by  $\sim 30\%$

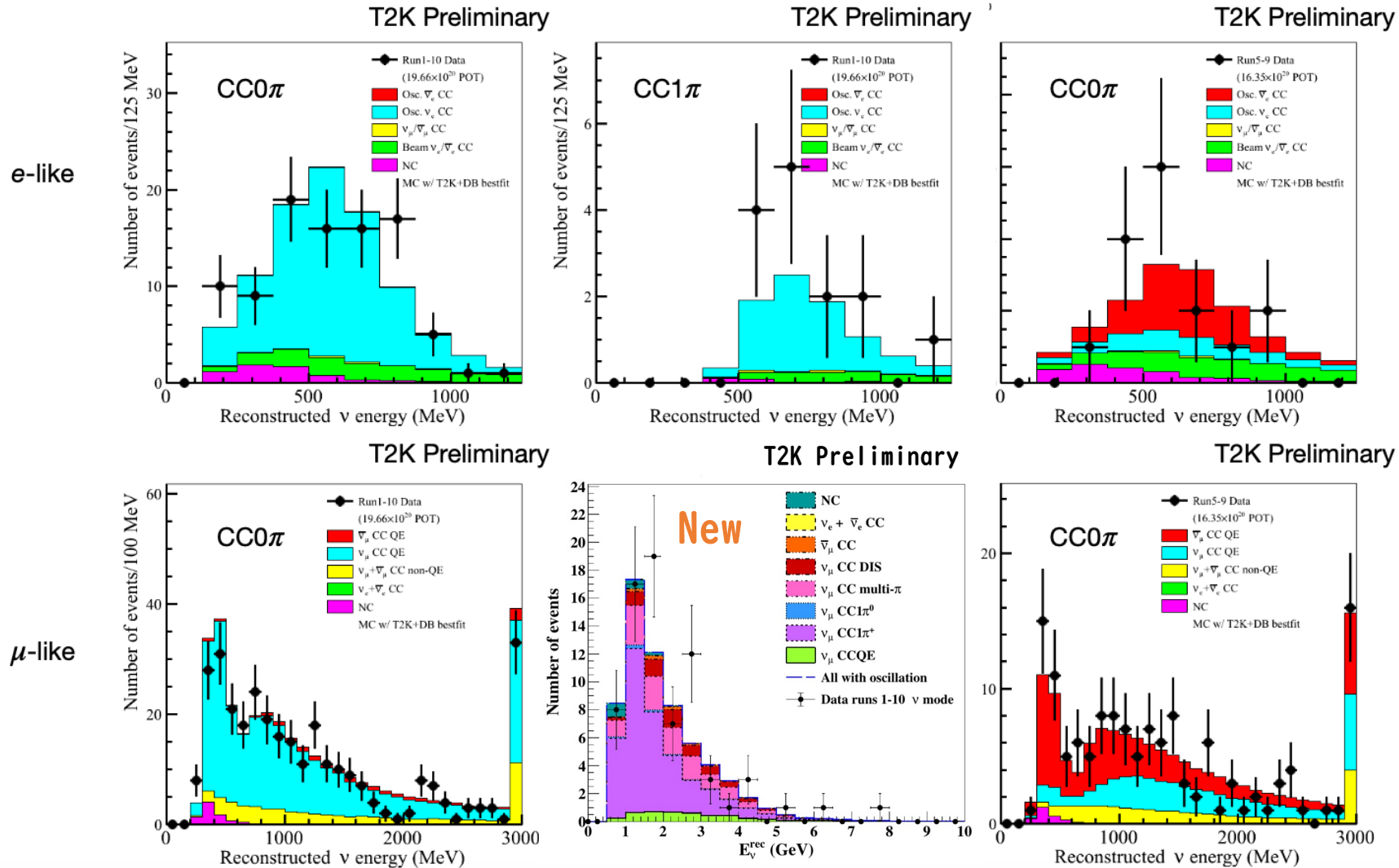




# Super-K samples

Neutrino mode

Antineutrino mode



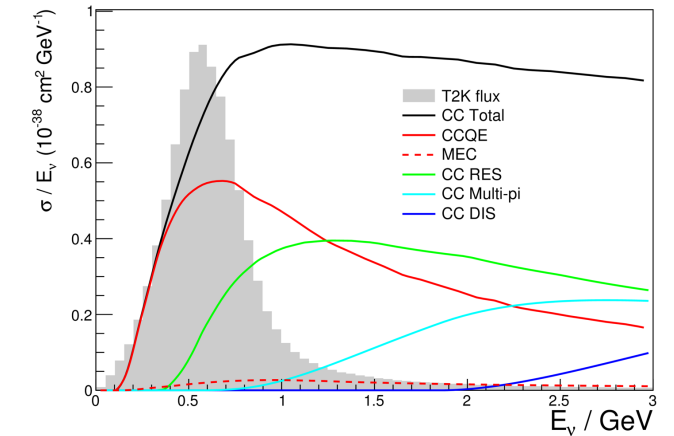
# Super-K samples

Mode	Sample	$\delta=-\pi/2$ MC	$\delta=0$ MC	$\delta=\pi/2$ MC	$\delta=\pi$ MC	Data
$\nu$	1Re	102.7	86.7	71.1	87.1	<b>94</b>
	1Re CC1 $\pi^+$	10.0	8.7	7.1	8.4	<b>14</b>
	1R $\mu$	379.1	378.3	379.1	380.0	<b>318</b>
	MR $\mu$ CC1 $\pi^+$	116.5	116.0	116.5	117.0	<b>134</b>
$\bar{\nu}$	1Re	17.3	19.7	21.8	19.4	<b>16</b>
	1R $\mu$	144.9	144.5	144.9	145.3	<b>137</b>

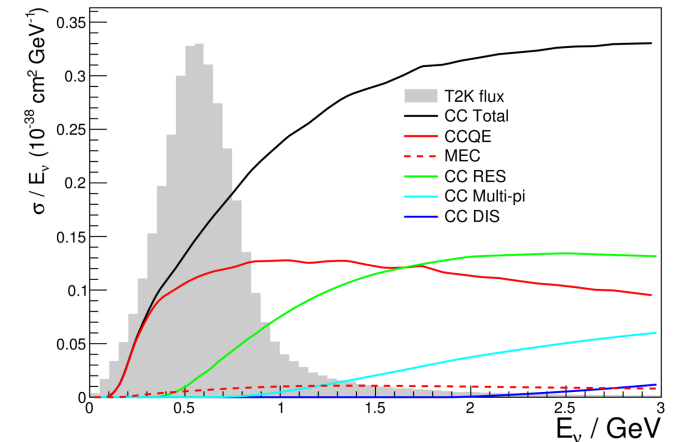
MC:  $\sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.561$ ,  $\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.49 \times 10^{-3} eV^2 c^{-4}$ ,  
 $\sin^2\theta_{13} = 0.022$ , Normal mass ordering

$\nu$ -mode:  $1.97 \times 10^{21}$  POT  
 $\bar{\nu}$ -mode:  $1.63 \times 10^{21}$  POT

## $\nu$ cross sections



## $\bar{\nu}$ cross sections



# Oscillation analysis result: Atmospheric parameters

- $\nu_\mu$  ( $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ ) disappearance sensitive to  $\sin^2(2\theta_{23})$  and  $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \sim 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu}\right)$$

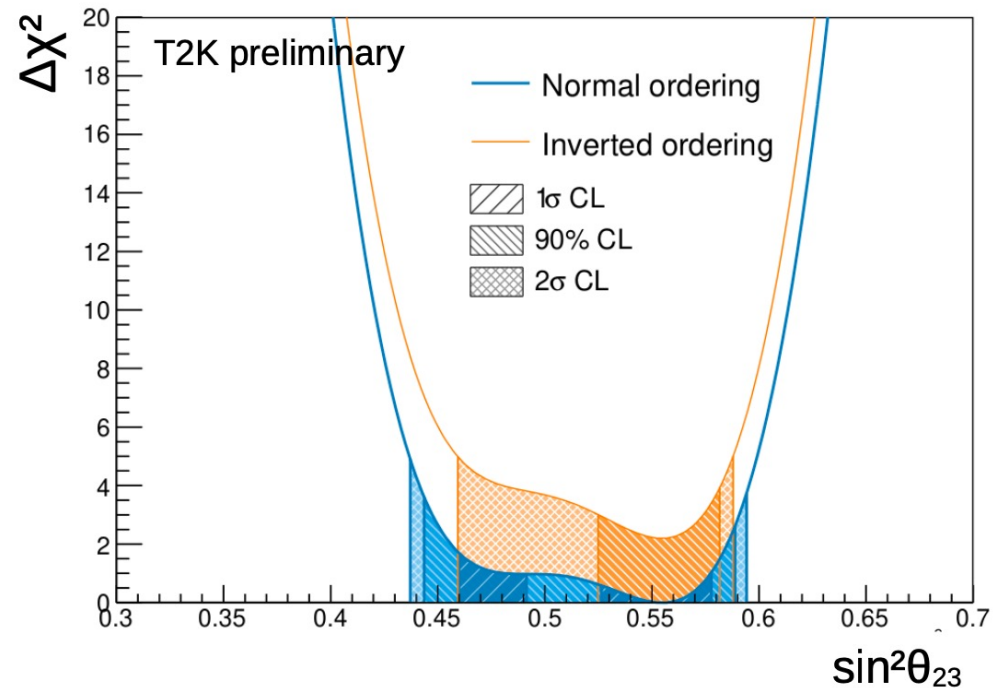
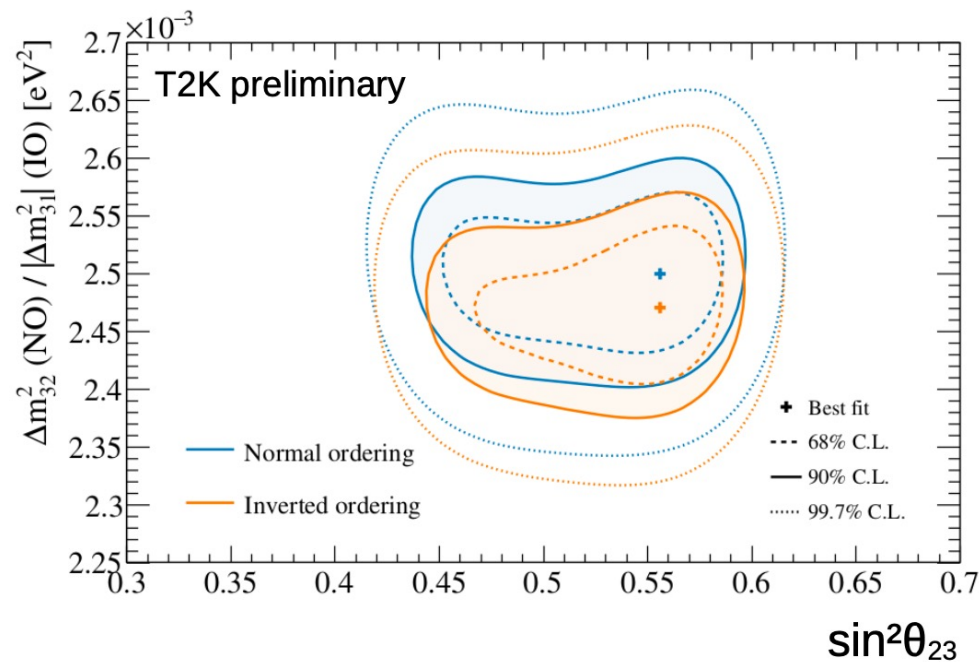
- $\nu_e$  ( $\bar{\nu}_e$ ) appearance sensitive to  $\theta_{23}$  octant

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \sim \sin^2(\theta_{23}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu}\right) \\ + (\text{CPV term}) + (\text{matter term}) + \dots$$

Atmospheric parameters are important to  $\delta_{CP}$  measurement

# Oscillation analysis result: Atmospheric parameters

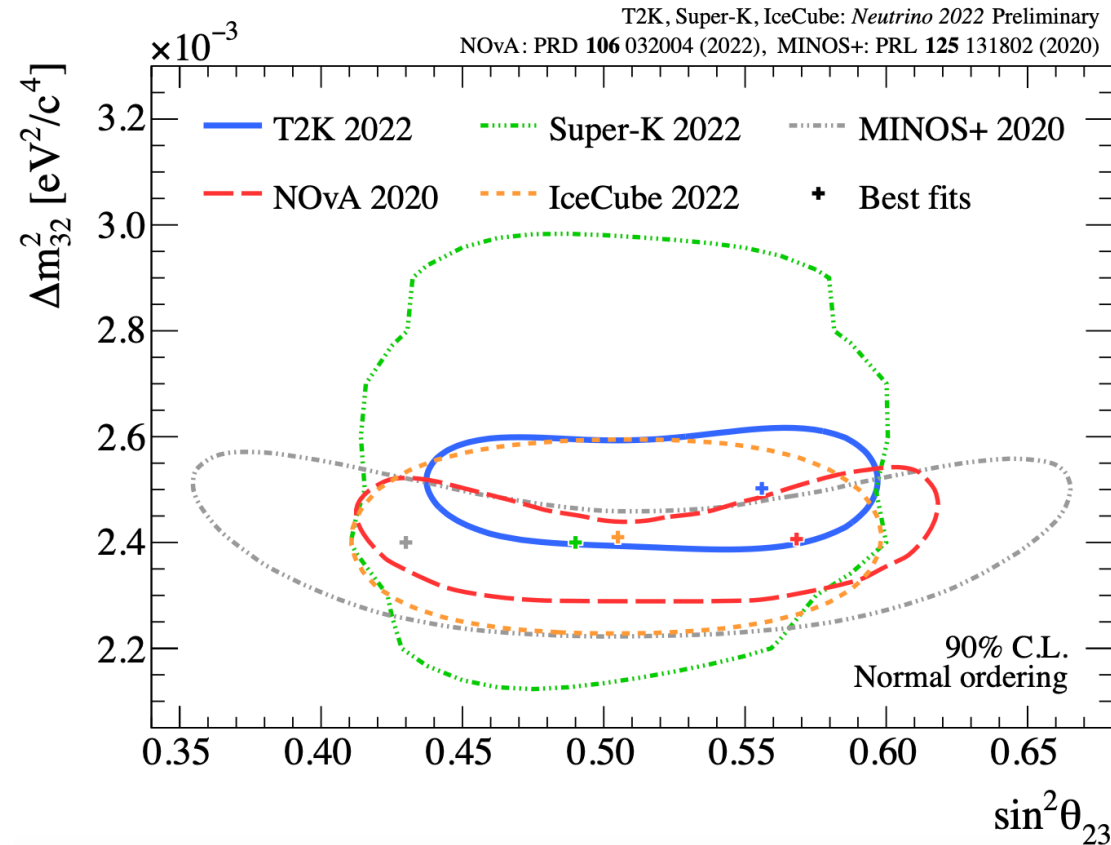
- Best fit in the upper octant
- Lower octant still allowed at the 68% CL level



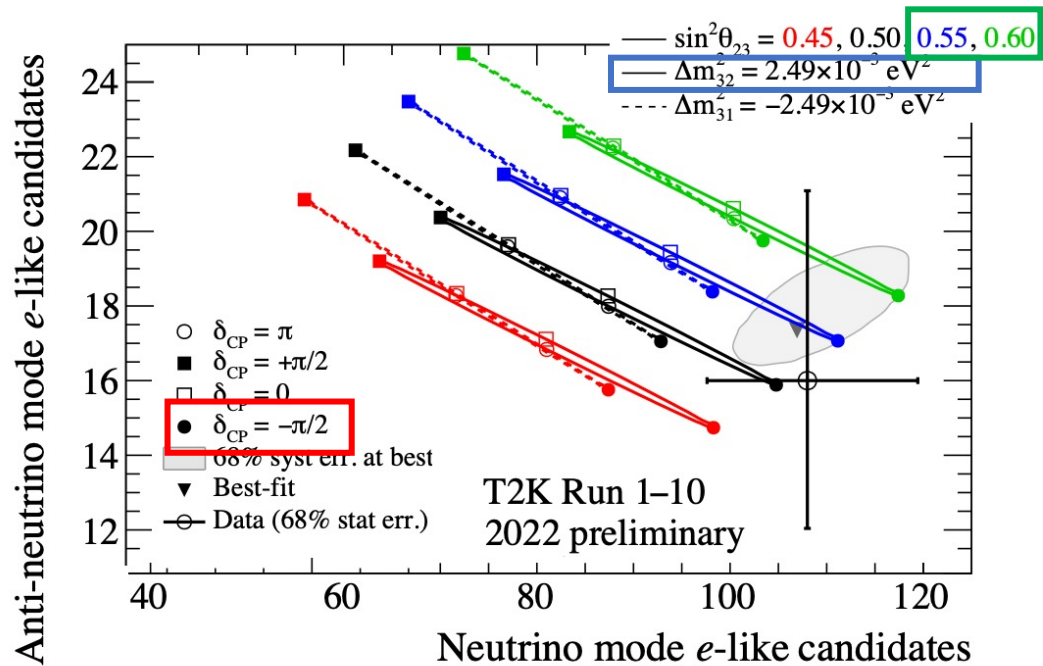
Using  $\theta_{13}$  constraint from reactor experiments:  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0861 \pm 0.0027$

# Oscillation analysis result: Atmospheric parameters

- World-leading measurement of atmospheric parameters



# Oscillation analysis result: Constraints of $\delta_{CP}$



- Best-fit  $\delta_{CP}$  around **maximal CP-violation**,  $-\frac{\pi}{2}$
- Weak preference for **Normal mass ordering** with Bayes factor 2.8
- Weak preference for **upper octant** ( $\sin^2 \theta_{23} > 0.5$ ) with Bayes factor 3.0

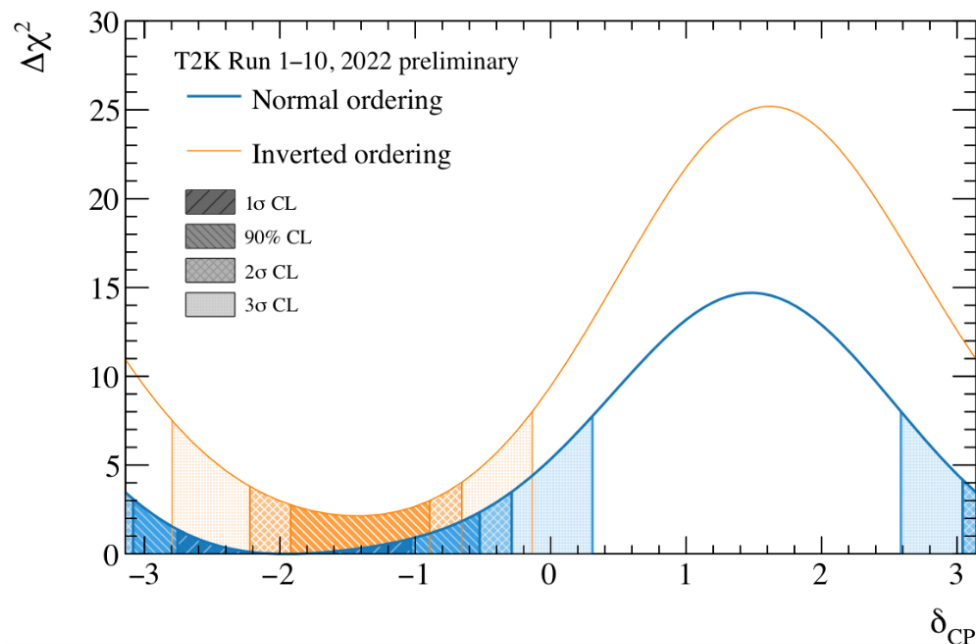
Mass ordering	Octant		Sum
	$\sin^2 \theta_{23} < 0.5$	$\sin^2 \theta_{23} > 0.5$	
NO ( $\Delta m_{32}^2 > 0$ )	0.20	0.54	0.74
IO ( $\Delta m_{32}^2 < 0$ )	0.05	0.21	0.26
Sum	0.25	0.75	1.00

Other oscillation parameters ( $\theta_{23}, \Delta m_{32}^2$ ) are important for  $\delta_{CP}$  measurement.

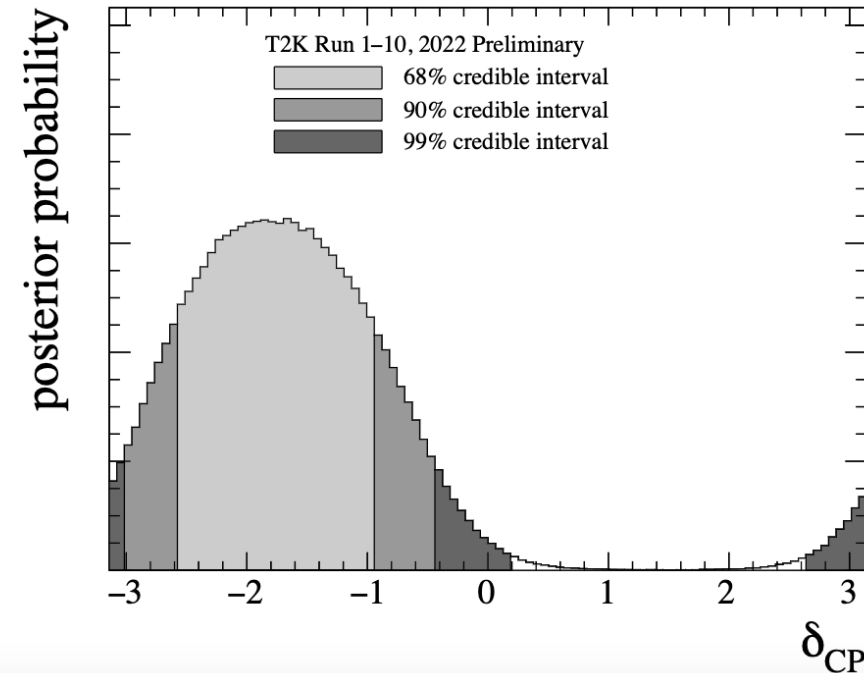
# Oscillation analysis result: Constraints of $\delta_{CP}$

- Large region excluded by  $3\sigma$ , and CP-conserving values ( $\delta = 0$  and  $\delta = \pi$ ) excluded by 90% C.L.

Frequentist (with Feldman-Cousins)



Bayesian (Marginalized over  $M0$ )



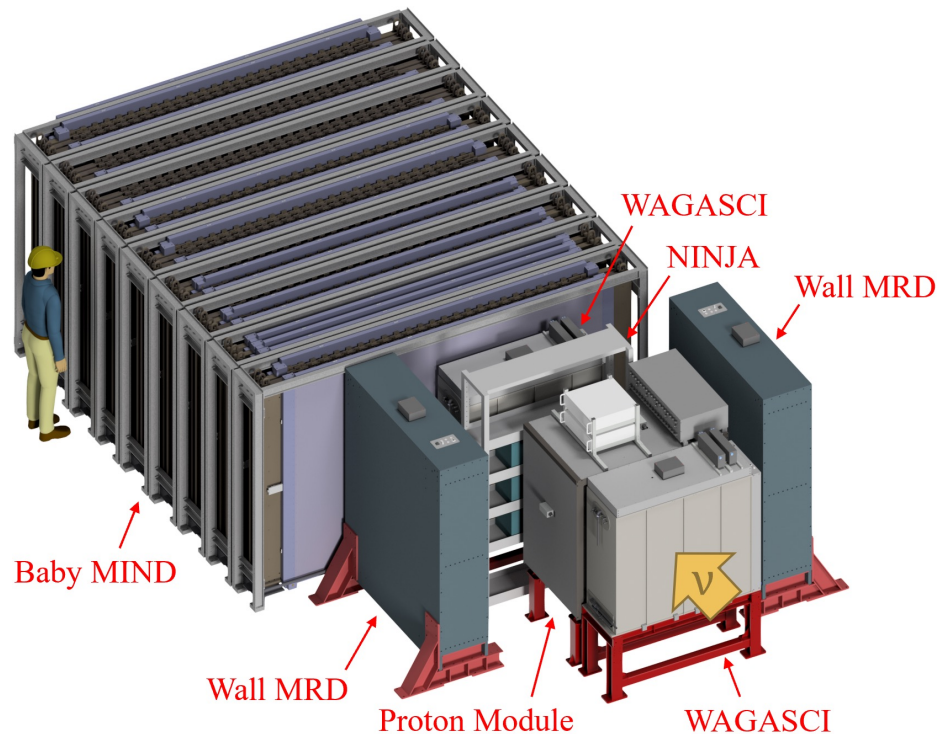
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# Future

# Future: cross-section measurements

- New set of detectors at 1.5 degree off-axis:
  - Neutrino energy peaked around 0.86 GeV
  - Start operation in 2019



## Neutrino target detectors

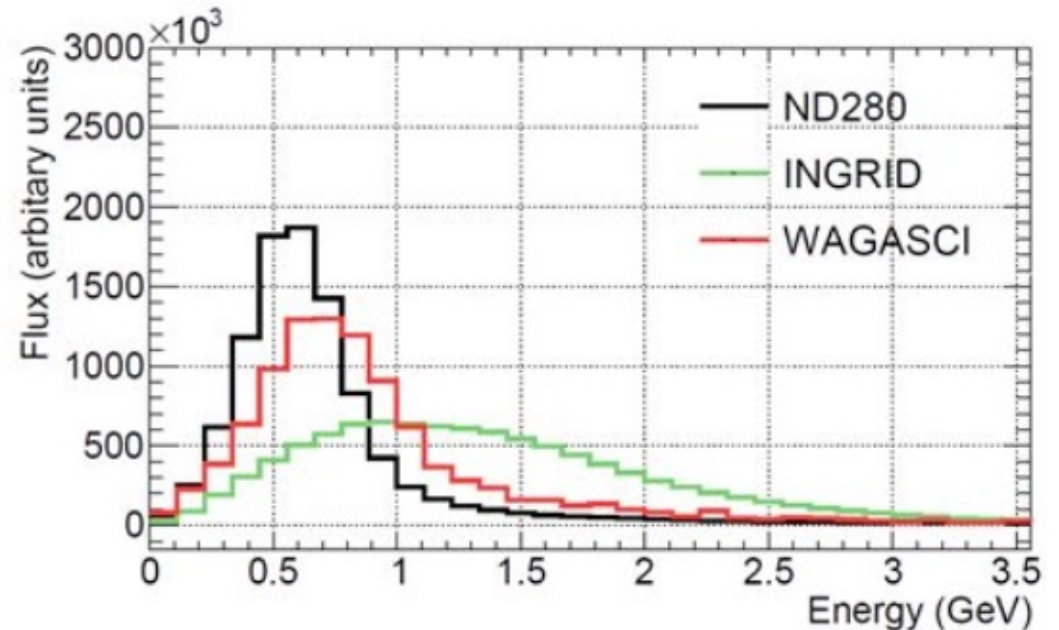
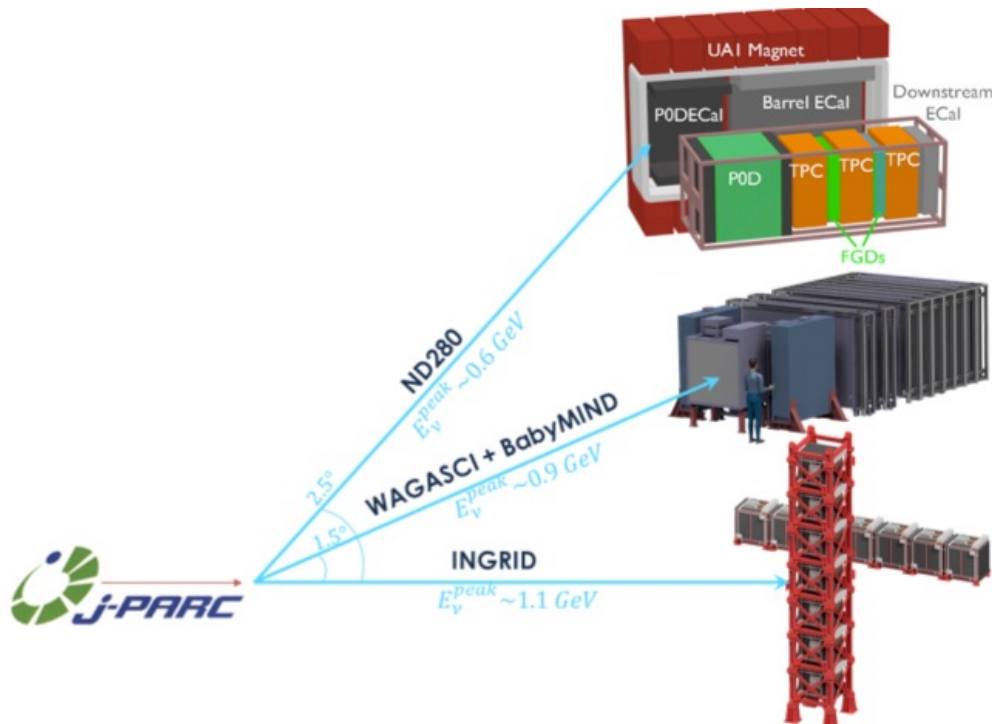
- WAGASCI ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )
- Proton Module (CH)

## Muon Range Detectors

- Baby MIND:  $\mu^-/\mu^+$  PID
- Wall MRD

# Future: cross-section measurements

- “joint” measurements between on/off/another-off axes
  - Direct probes of  $E_\nu$  dependence
  - Full correlations between on/off/another-off axis results

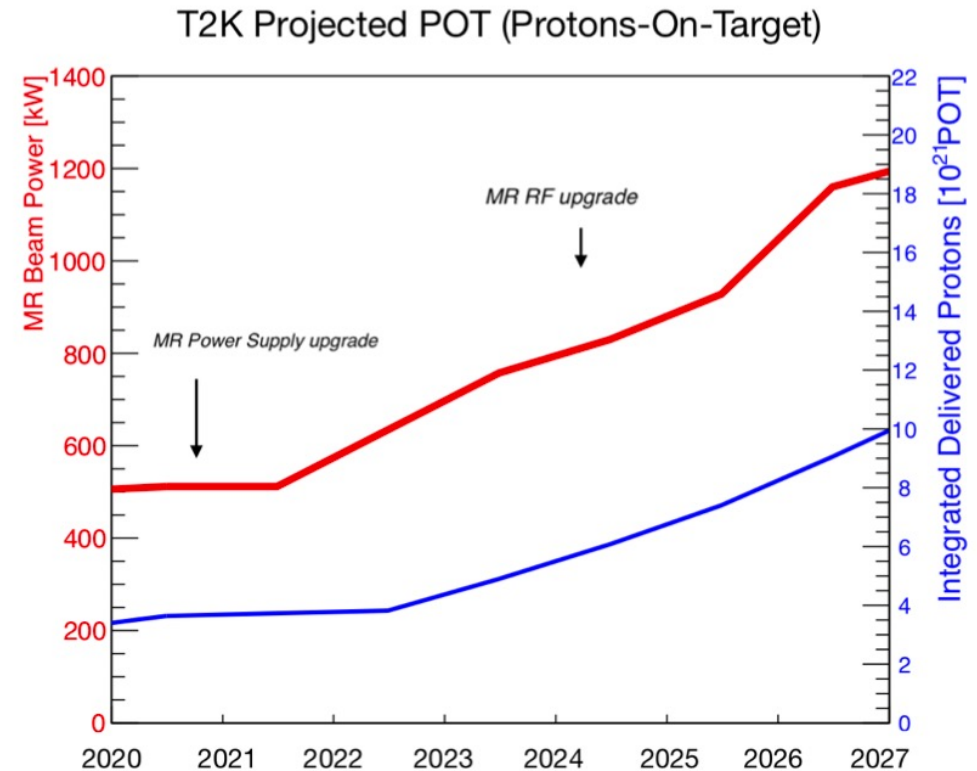
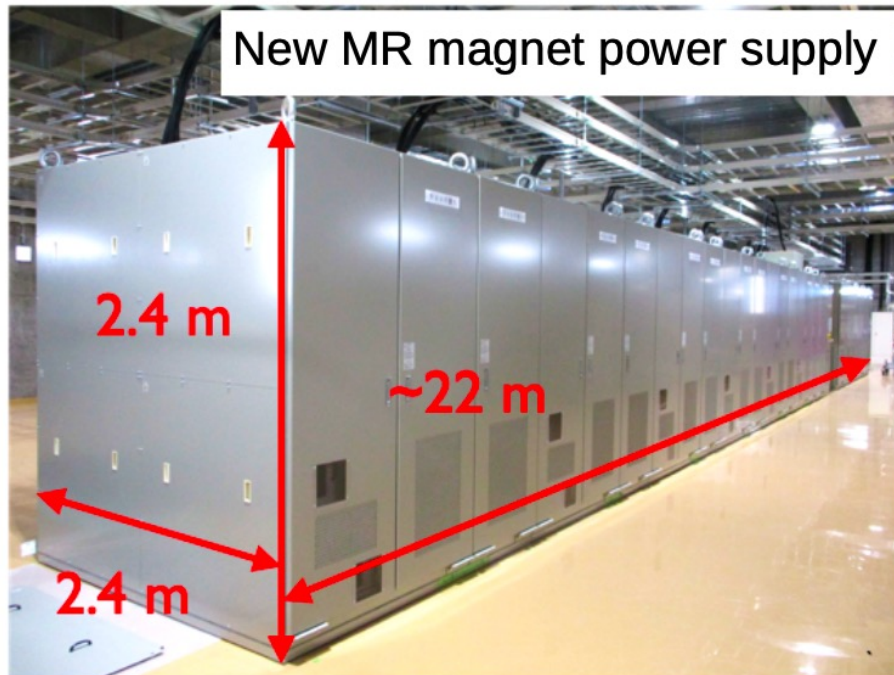


# Future: T2K-II

- T2K was originally approved to collect  $7.8 \times 10^{21}$  POT.
- Proposal to extend the run until 2026
  - Thanks to **J-PARC beam upgrade**, we may be able to accumulate neutrino data beyond the approved POT by 2026.
- As statistical errors become smaller, reducing systematic errors becomes more important.
  - **ND280 upgrade** increased ability to study neutrino interactions.

# Future: J-PARC Beam upgrade

- Main ring power supply upgrade was completed!
- Expect a beam power above 1 MW by 2027

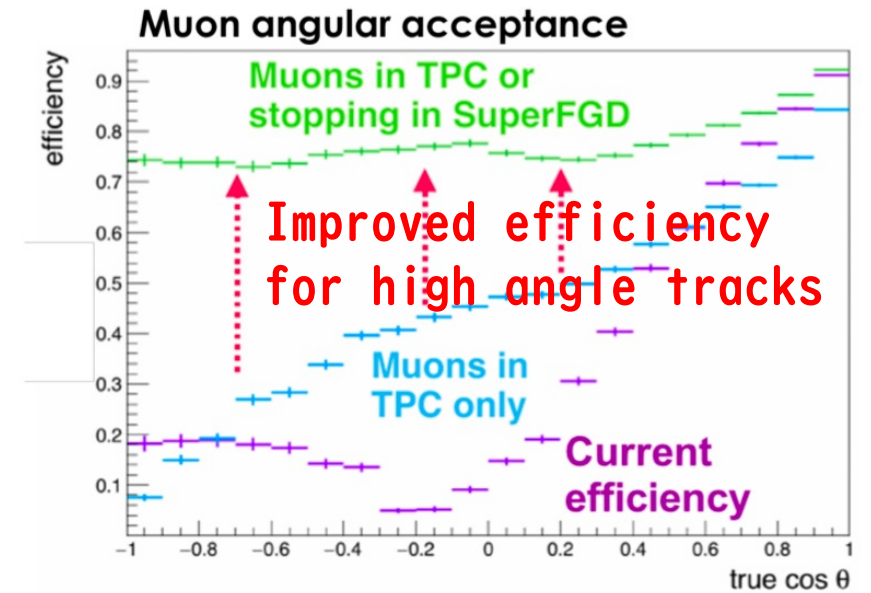
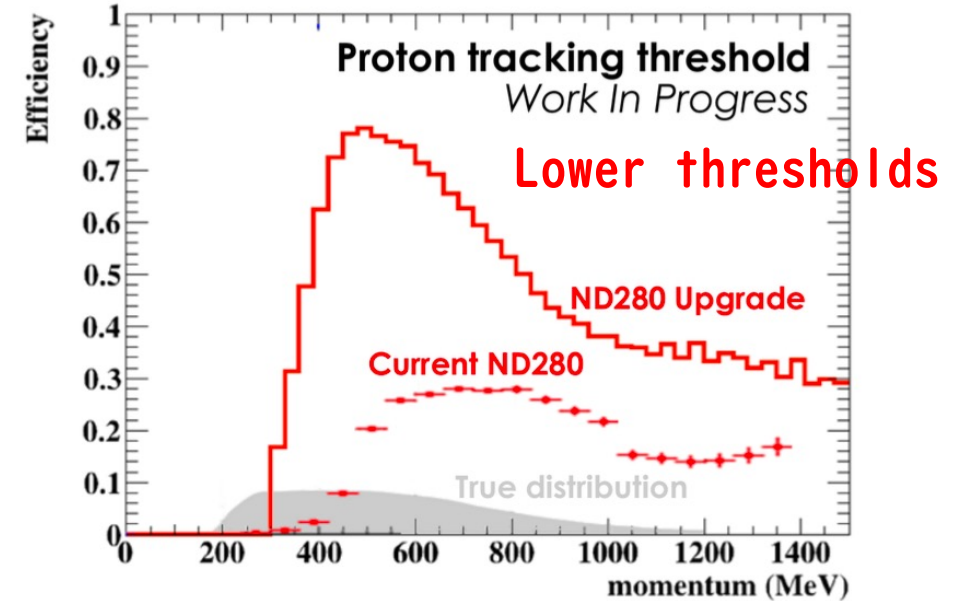
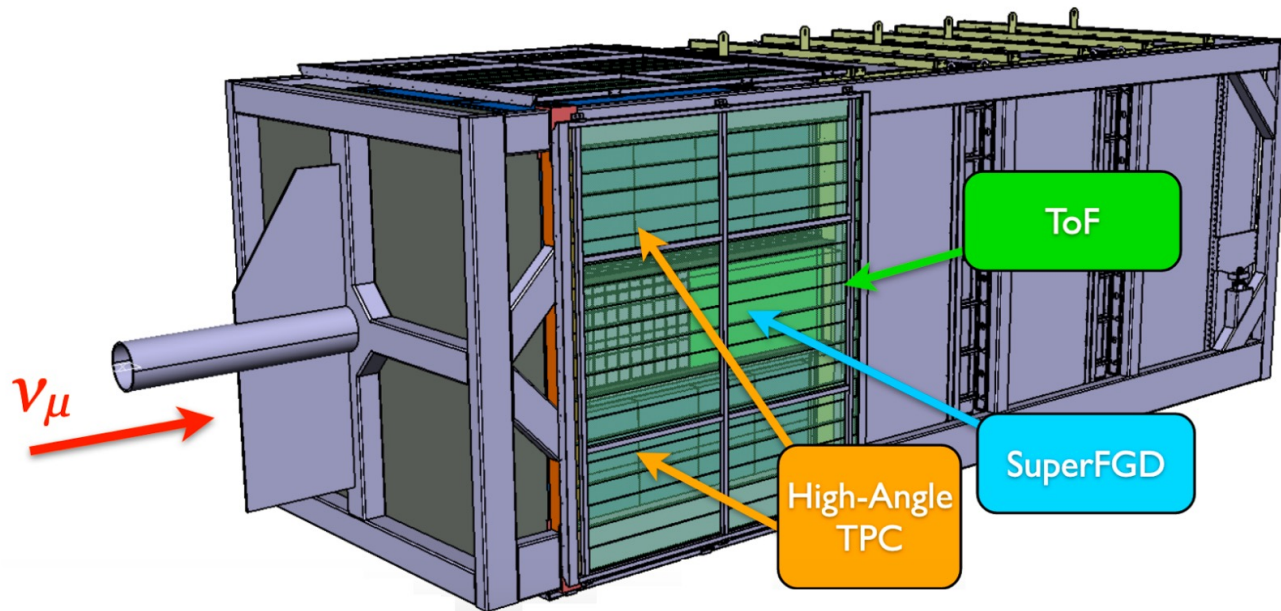
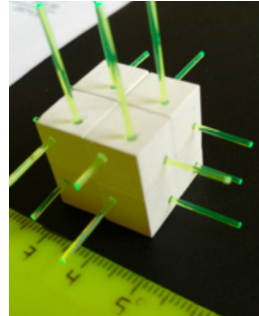




# Future: ND280 upgrade

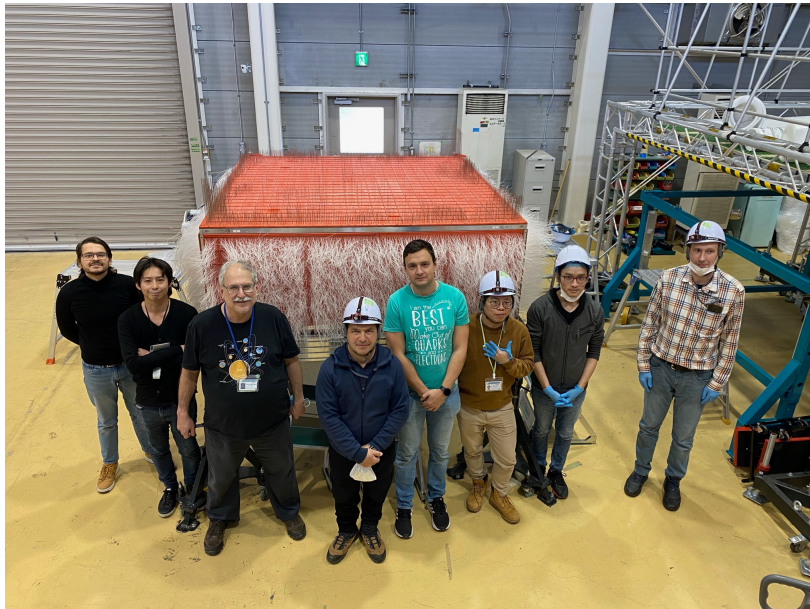
- New subdetectors

- SuperFGD:  $2 \times 10^6$  1cm-cubes
- High-Angle TPC
- Time-Of-Flight detector



# Future: ND280 upgrade

SuperFGD  
in assembling @ J-PARC



High-Angle TPC  
MicroMegas test @ CERN



ToF  
assembled @ CERN



**Expect to start data taking in 2023!**



# Summary

- New T2K neutrino oscillation result is achieved with  $3.6 \times 10^{21}$  POT of data.
- CP conservation ( $\delta_{CP} = 0, \pi$ ) is excluded by 90% C.L.
- Weak preference of upper octant  $\theta_{23}$  and normal mass ordering.
- J-PARC accelerator upgrade and ND280 upgrade enable higher beam intensity and increased ability to study neutrino interactions.
- Stay tuned for the exciting results in the near future!