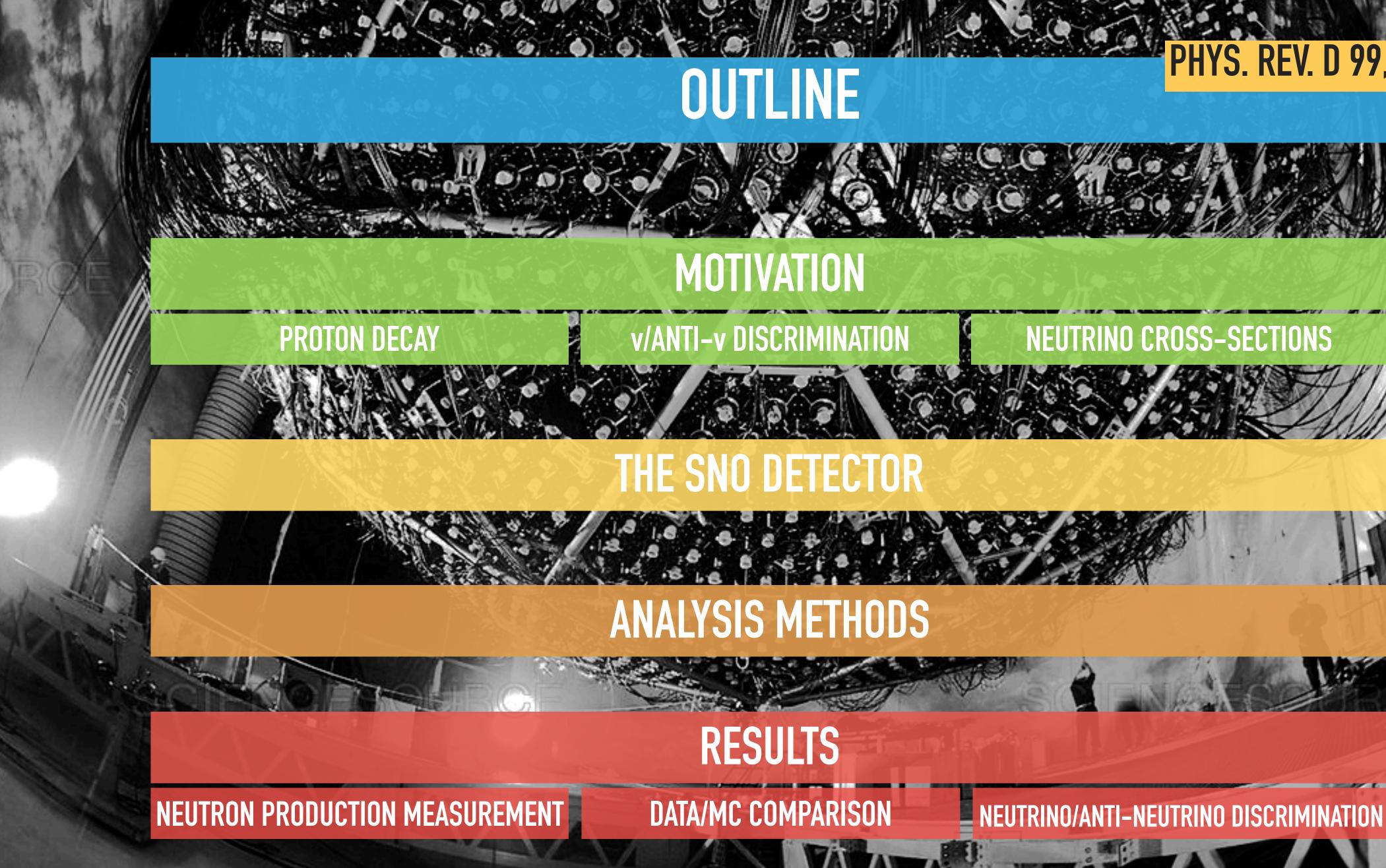




JAVIER CARAVACA NEUTRON PRODUCTION IN ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINO INTERACTIONS WITH SNO

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3) EXPLORE NEUTRON DETECTION IMPACT IN NEUTRINO/ANTINEUTRINO SEPARATION

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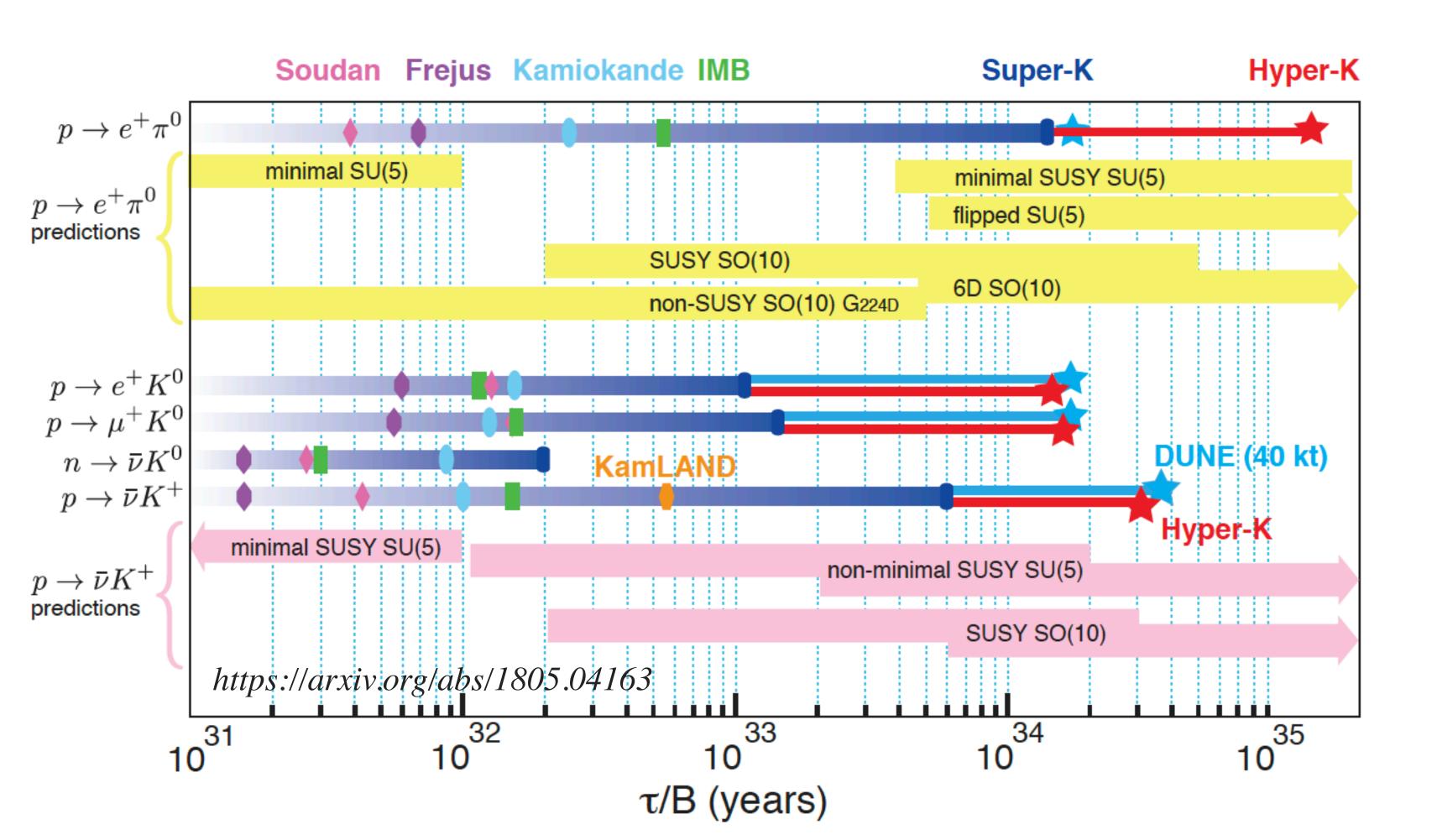
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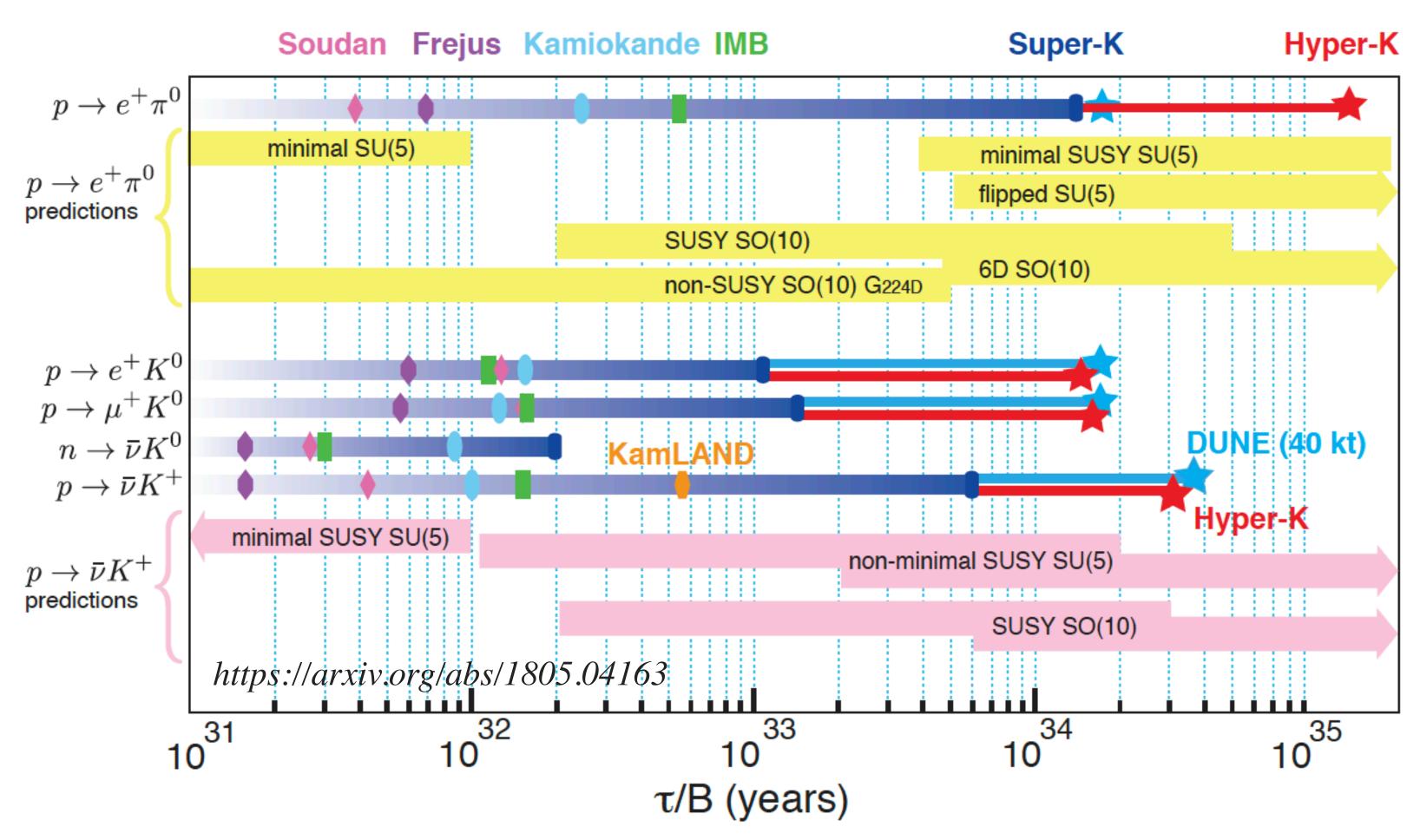


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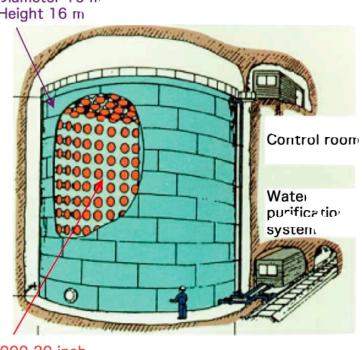


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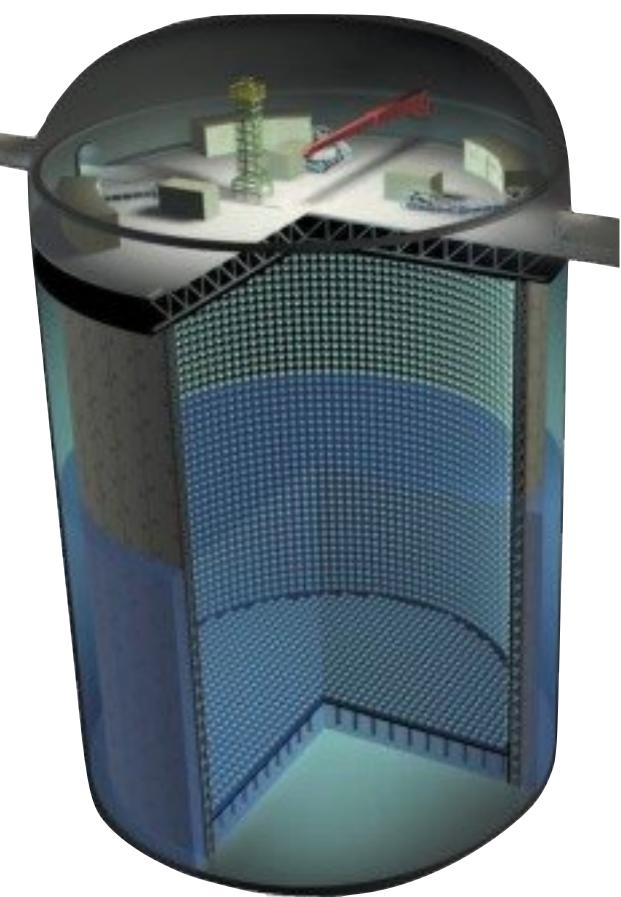
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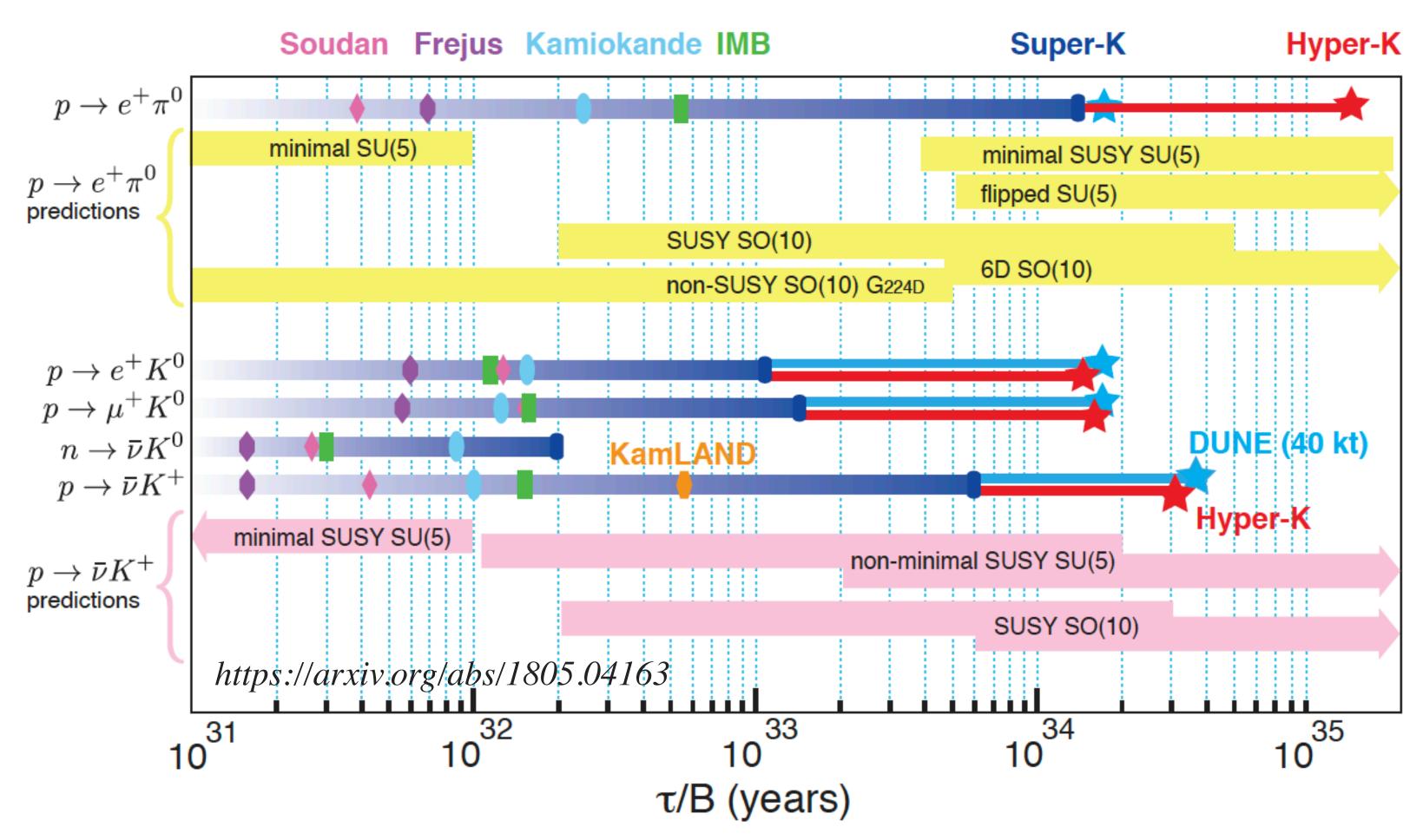
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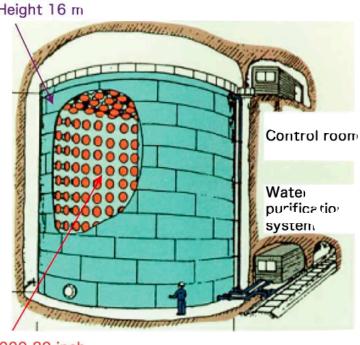


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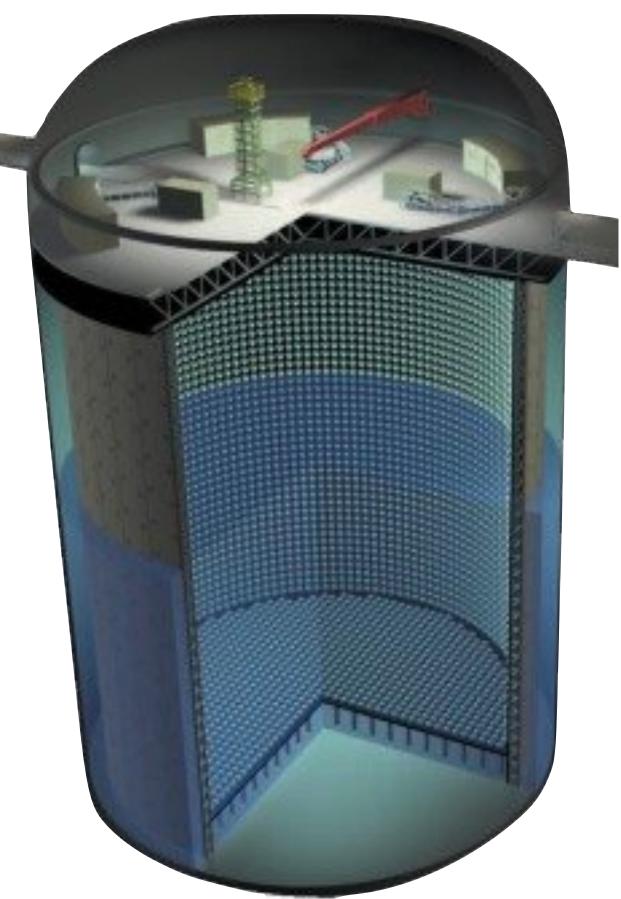
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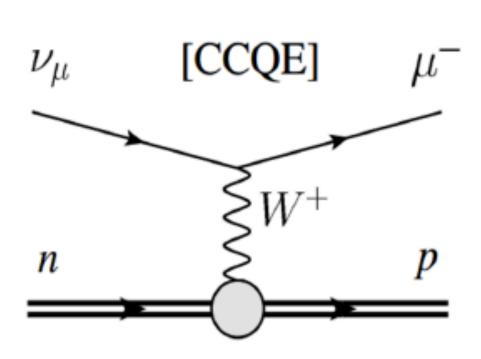
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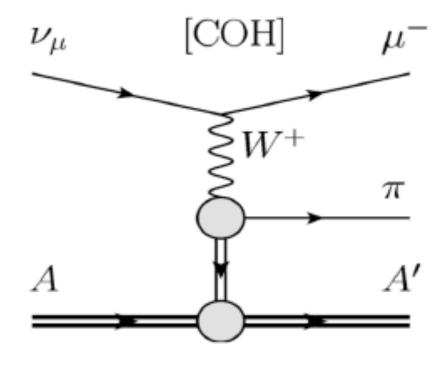


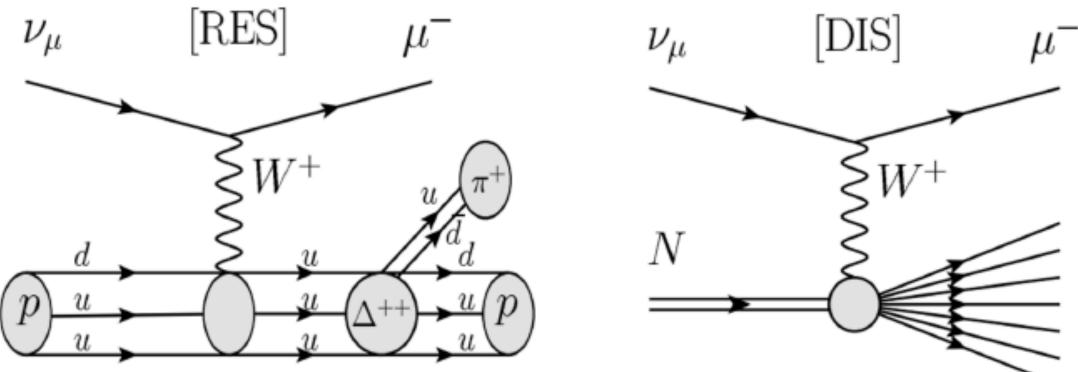


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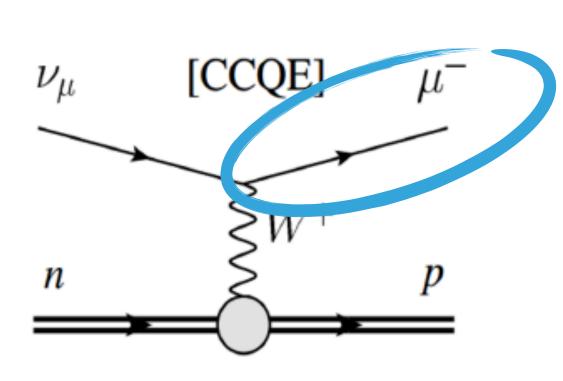
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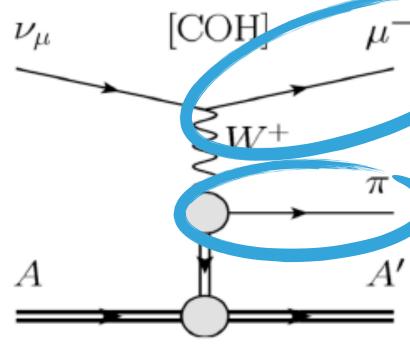


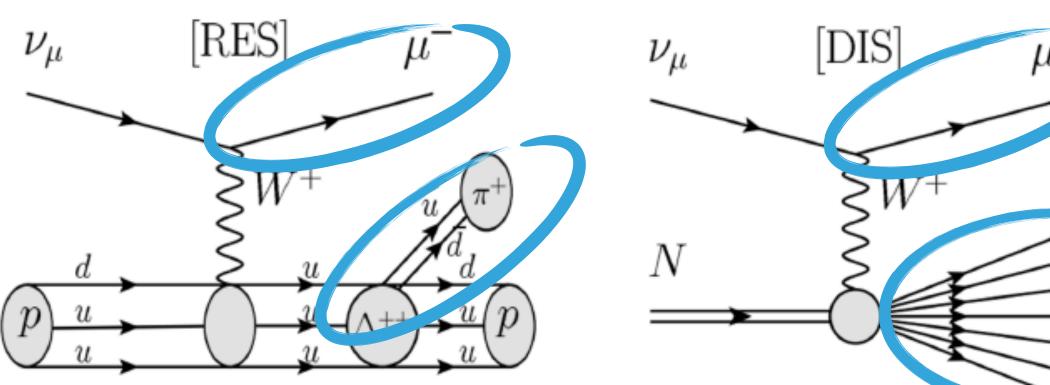
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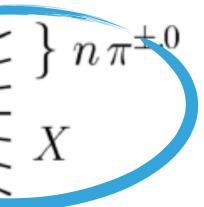


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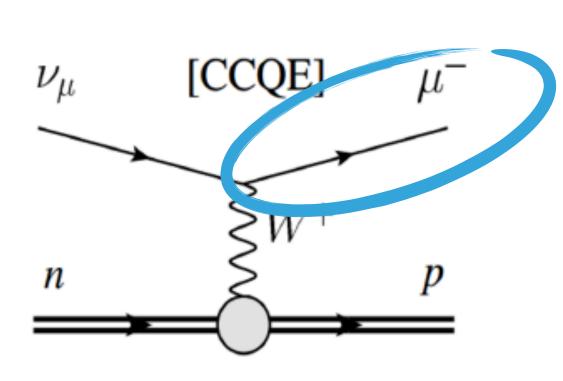


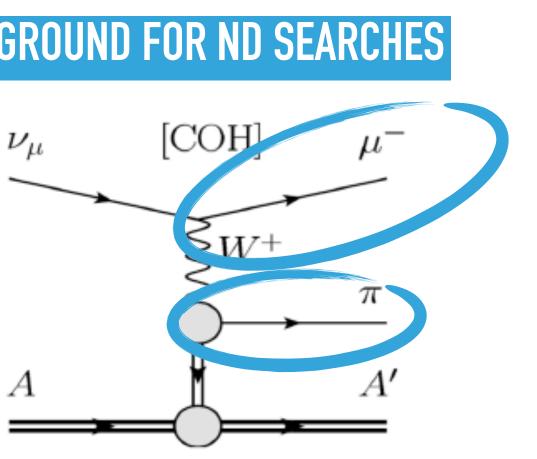


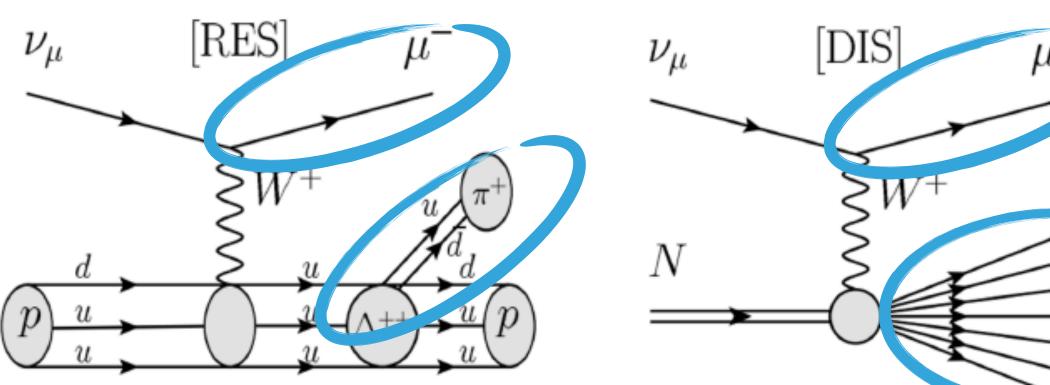
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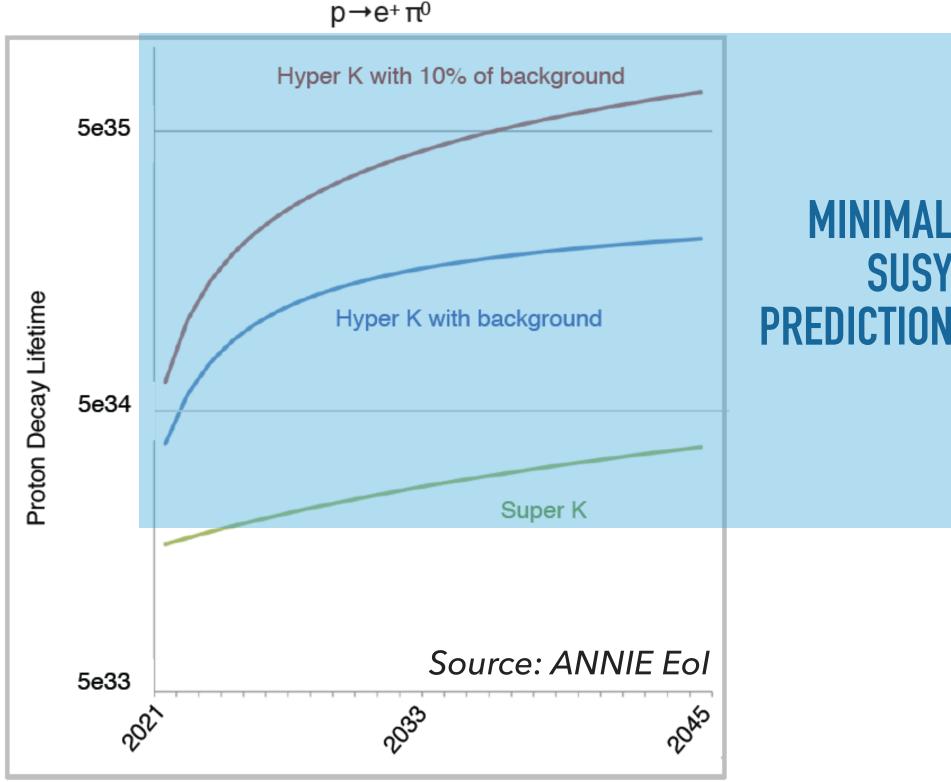




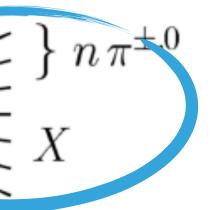


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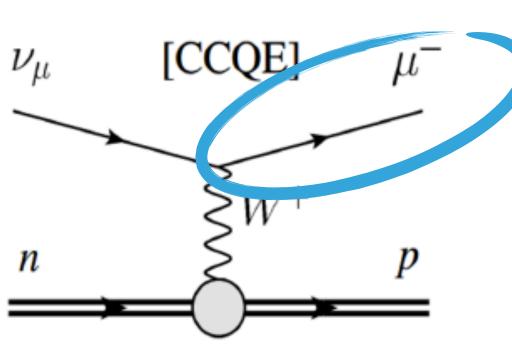


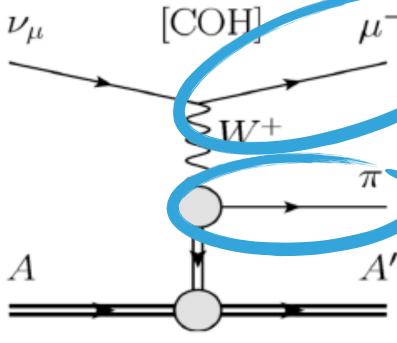


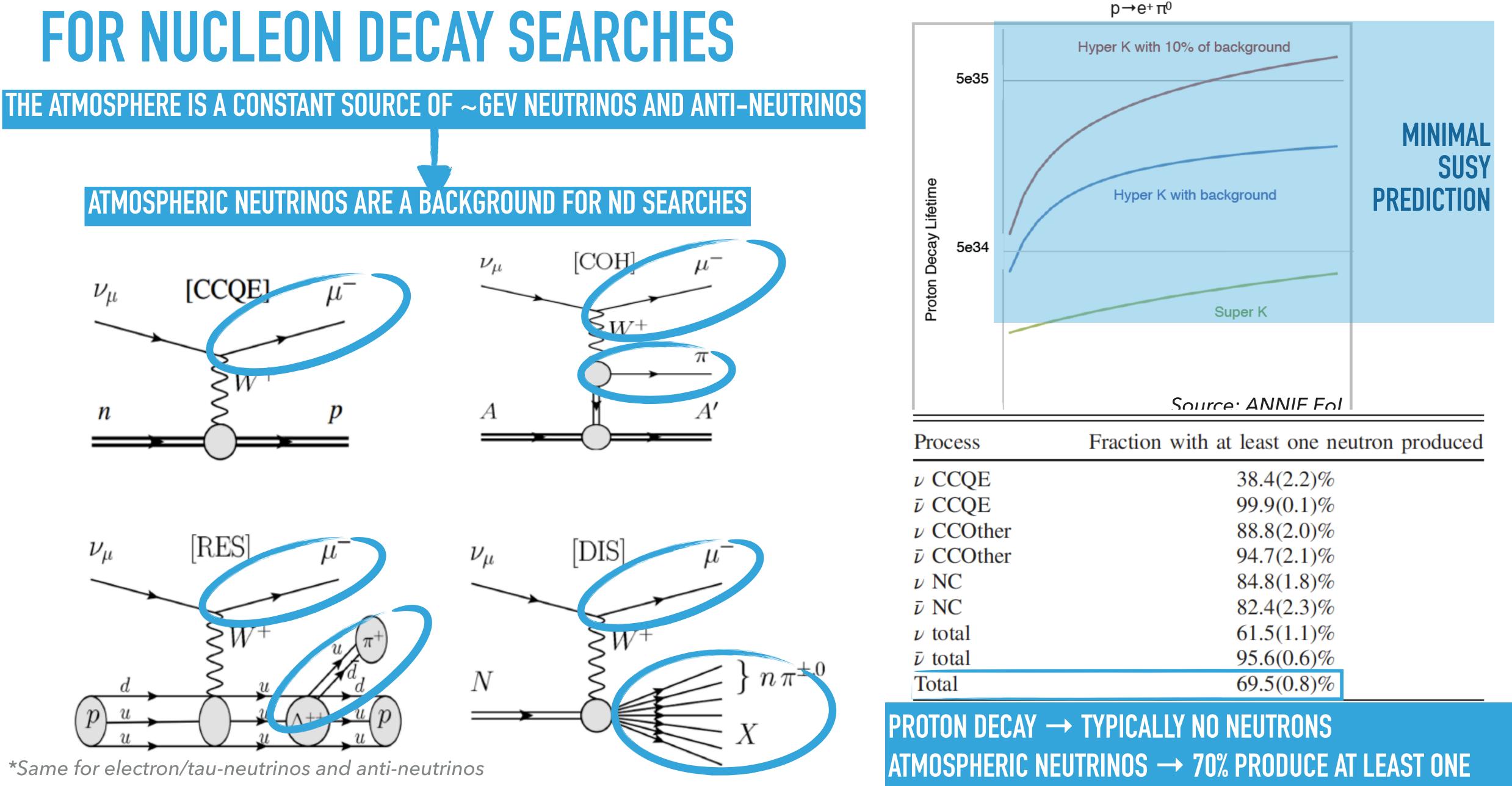




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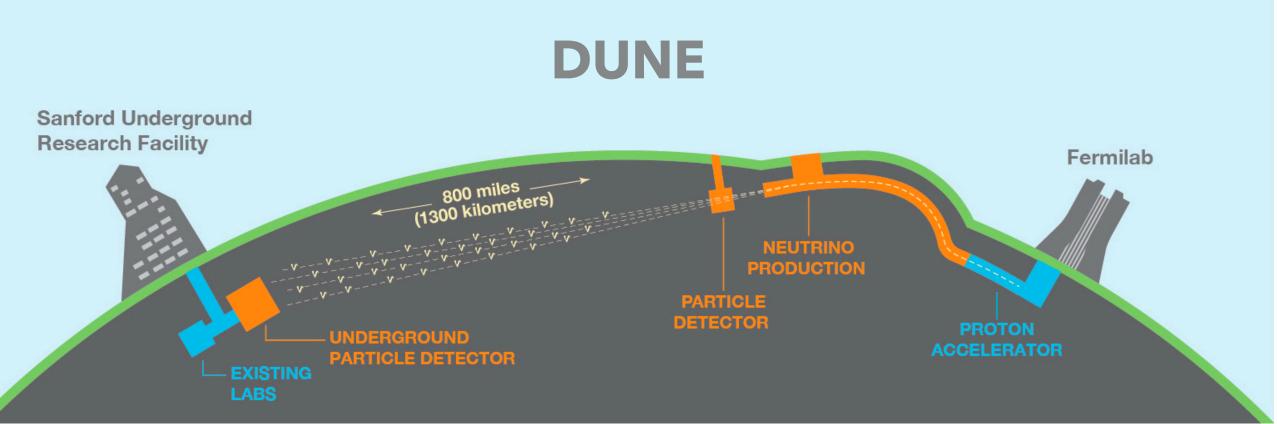
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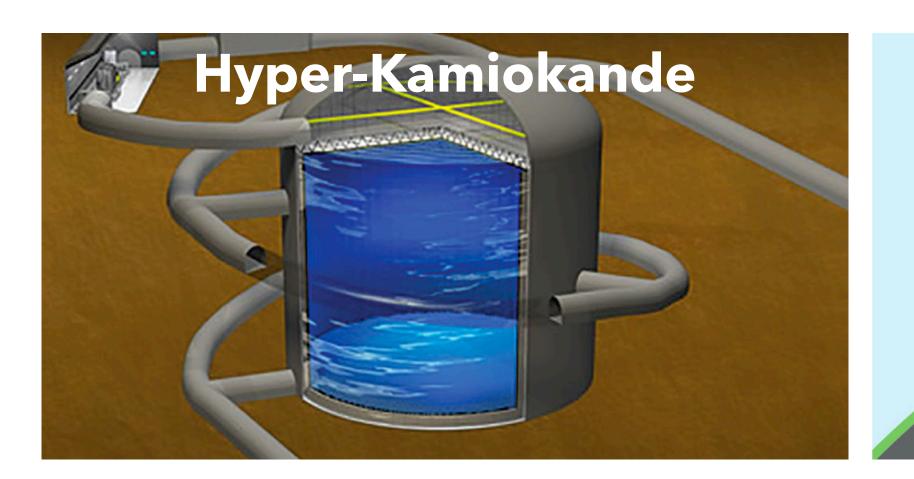






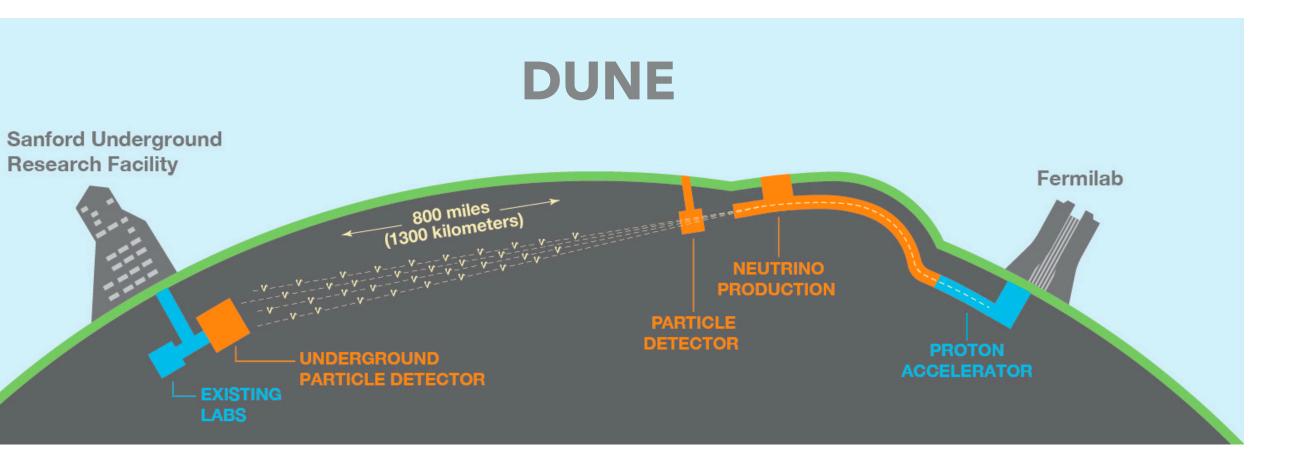
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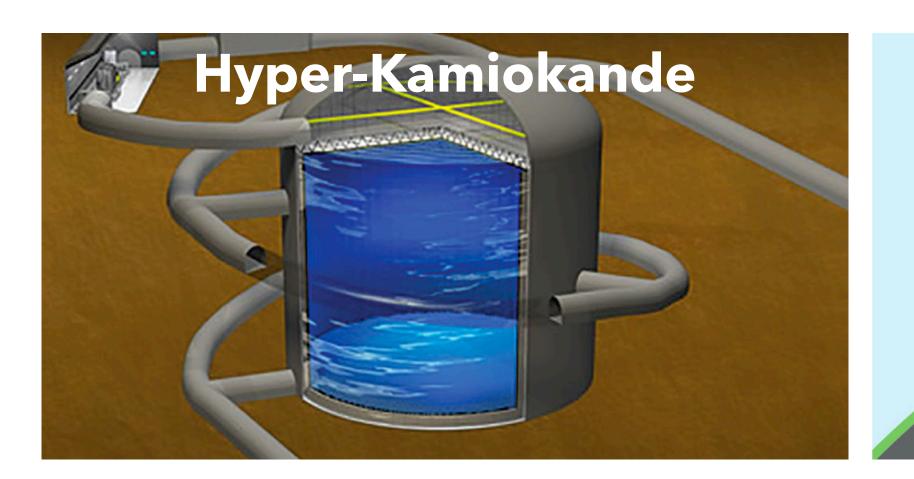


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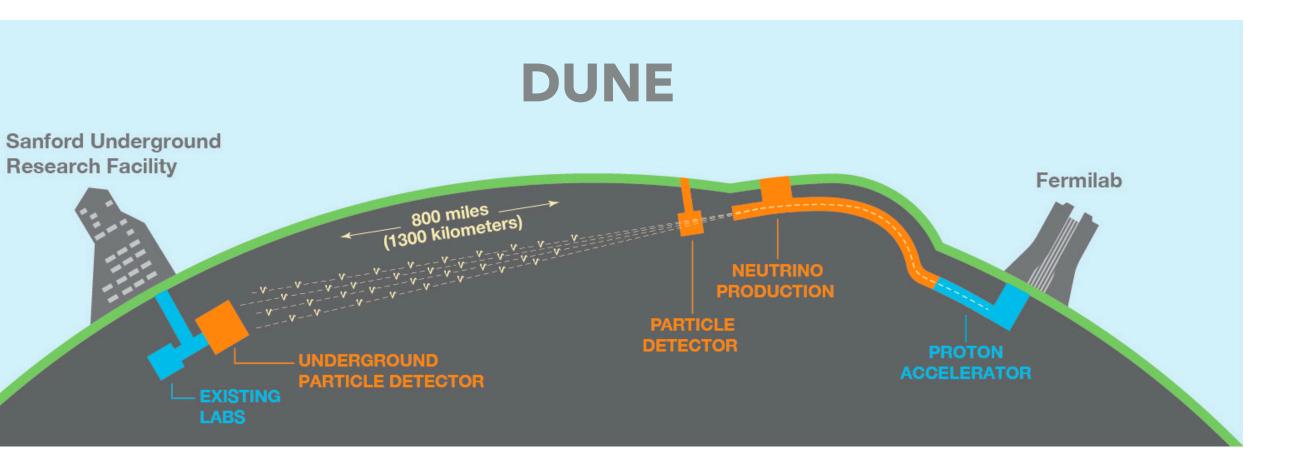
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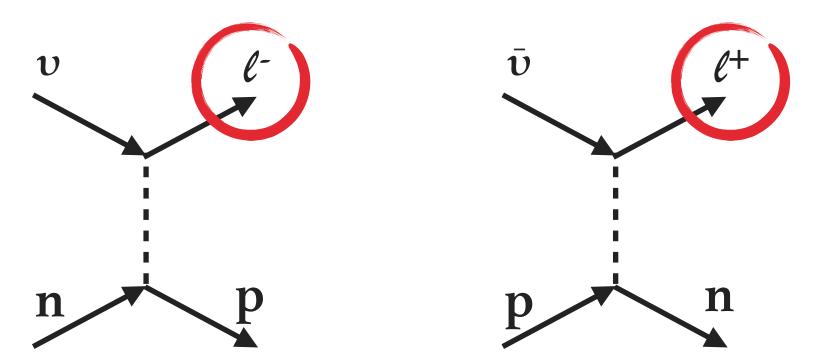
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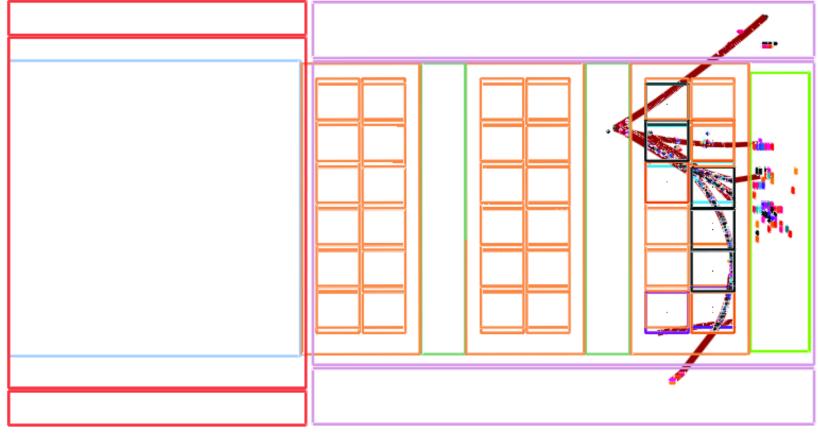




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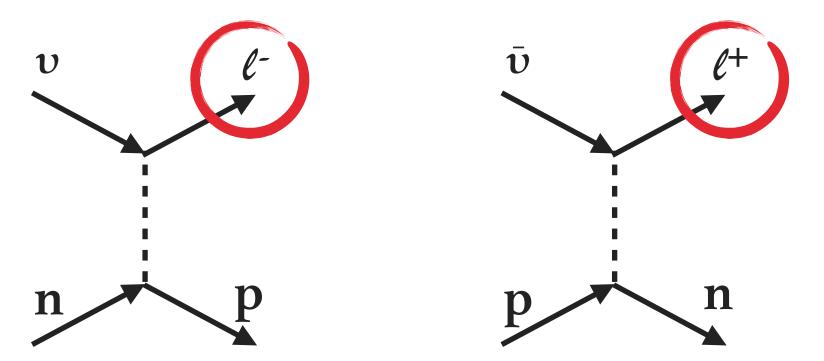
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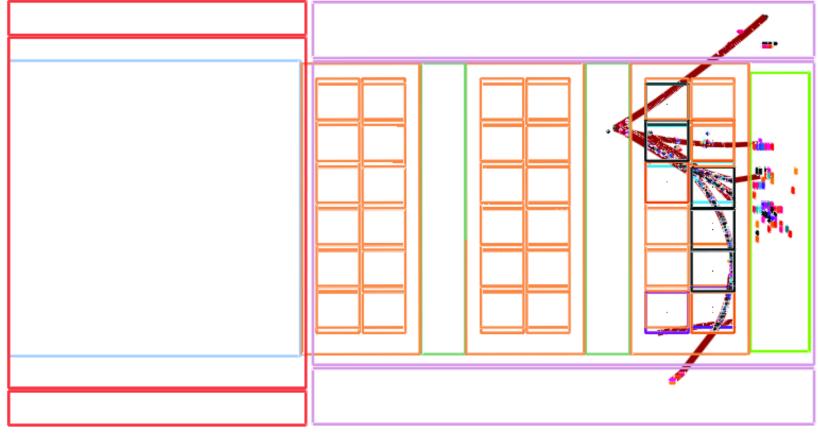


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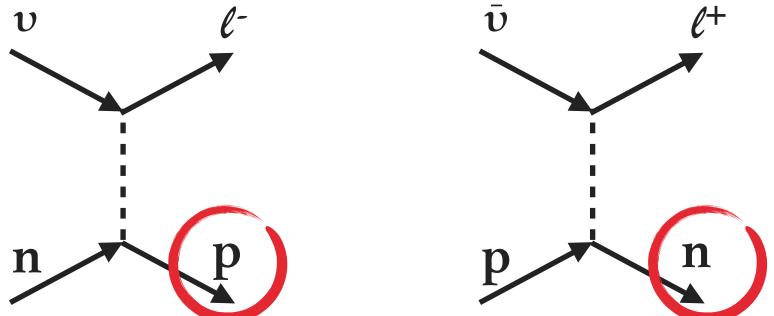
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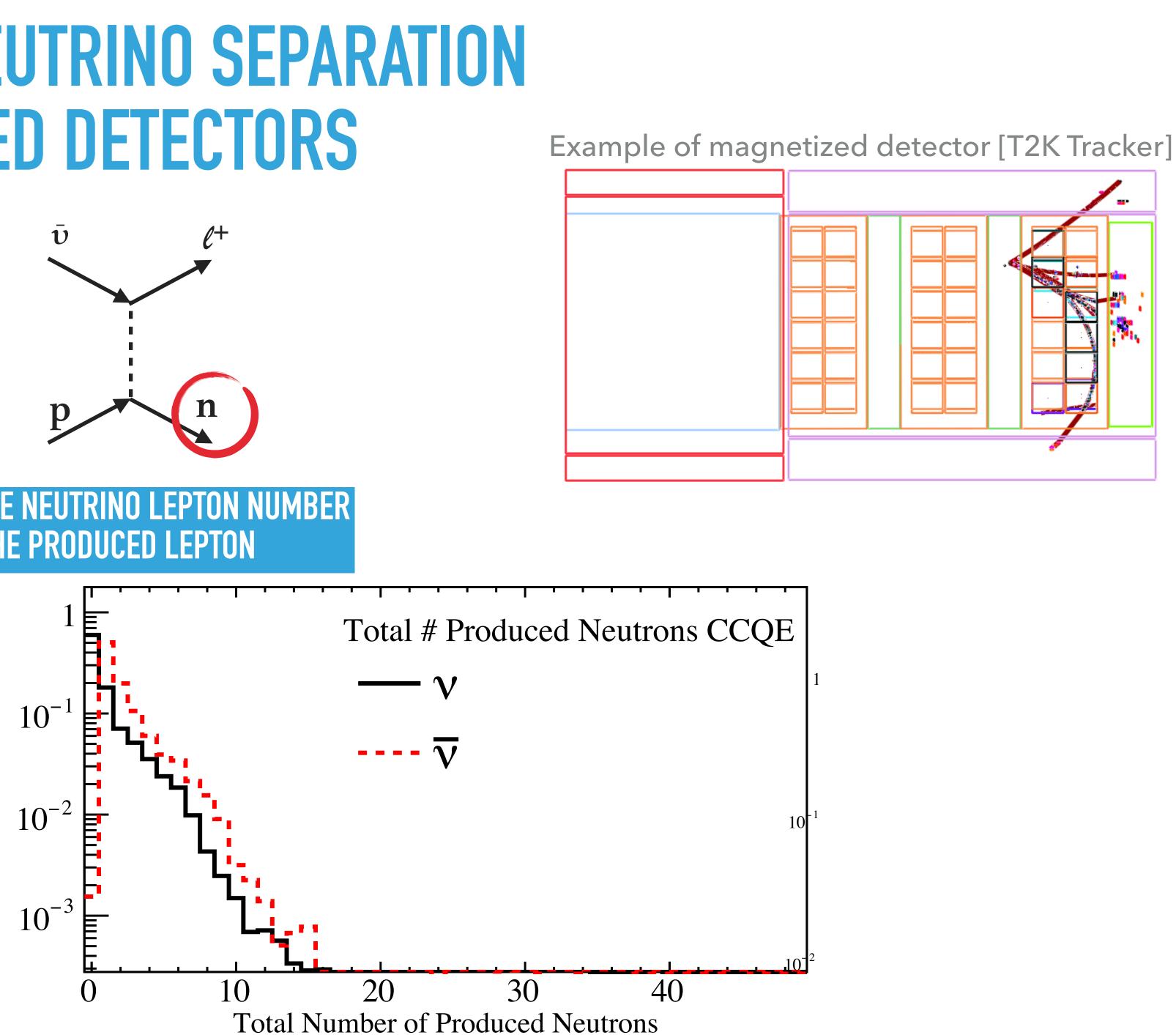




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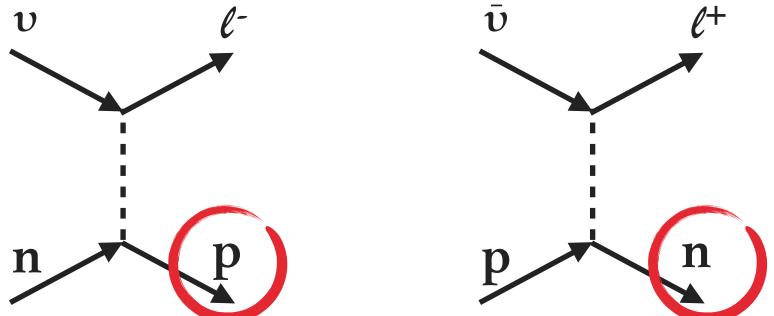
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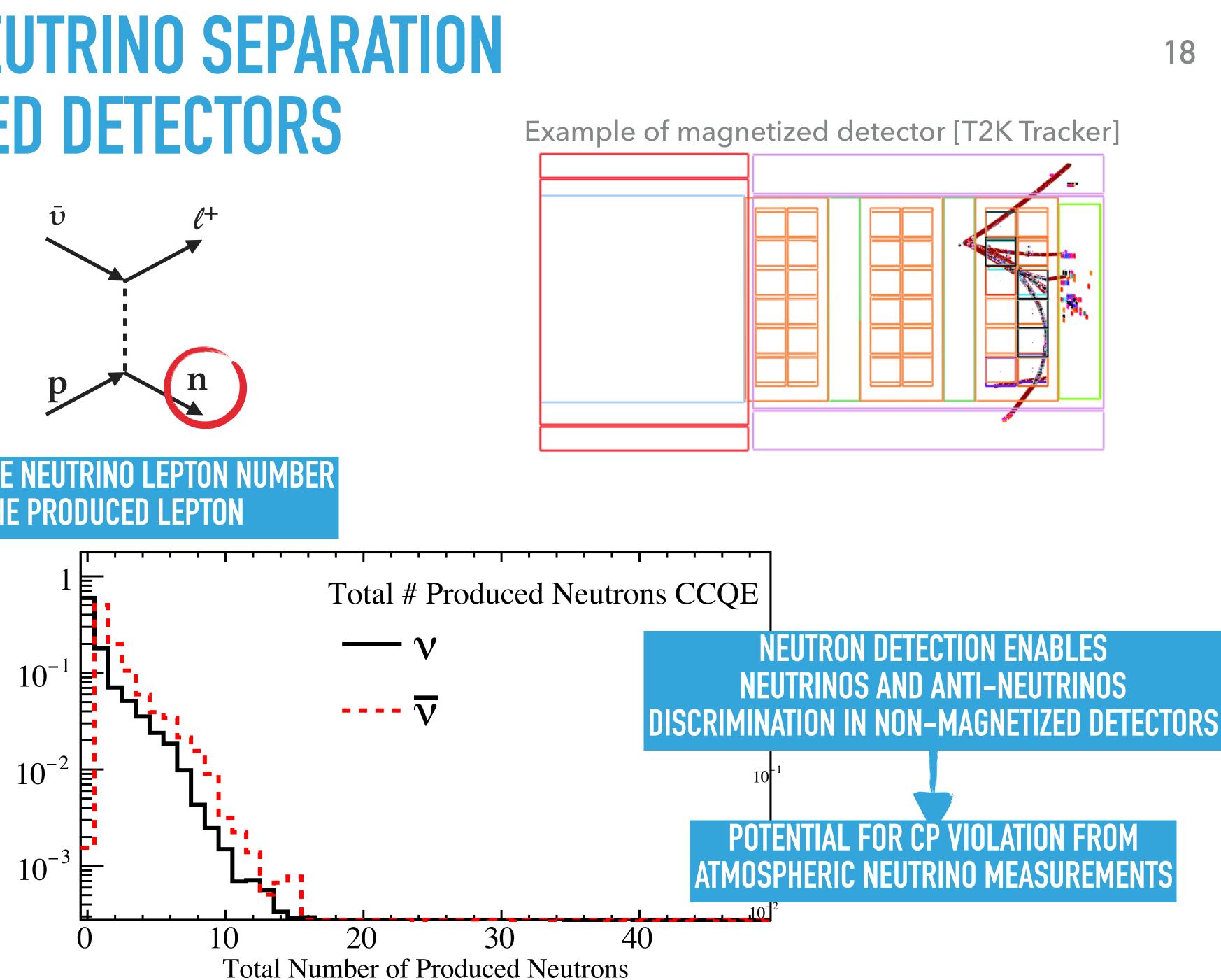
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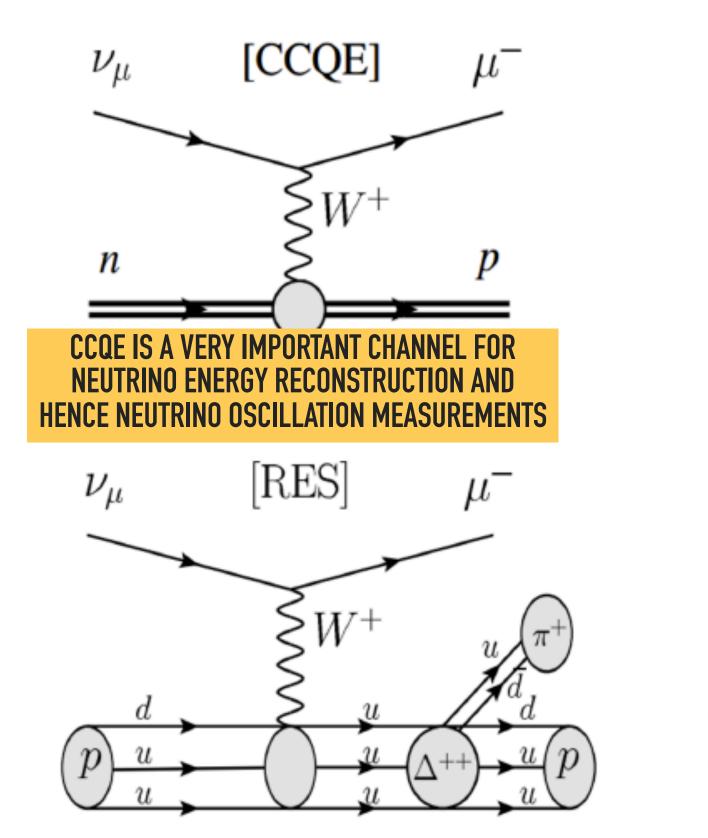
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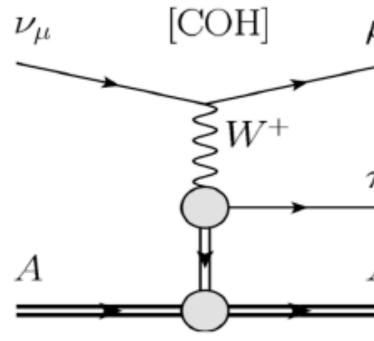






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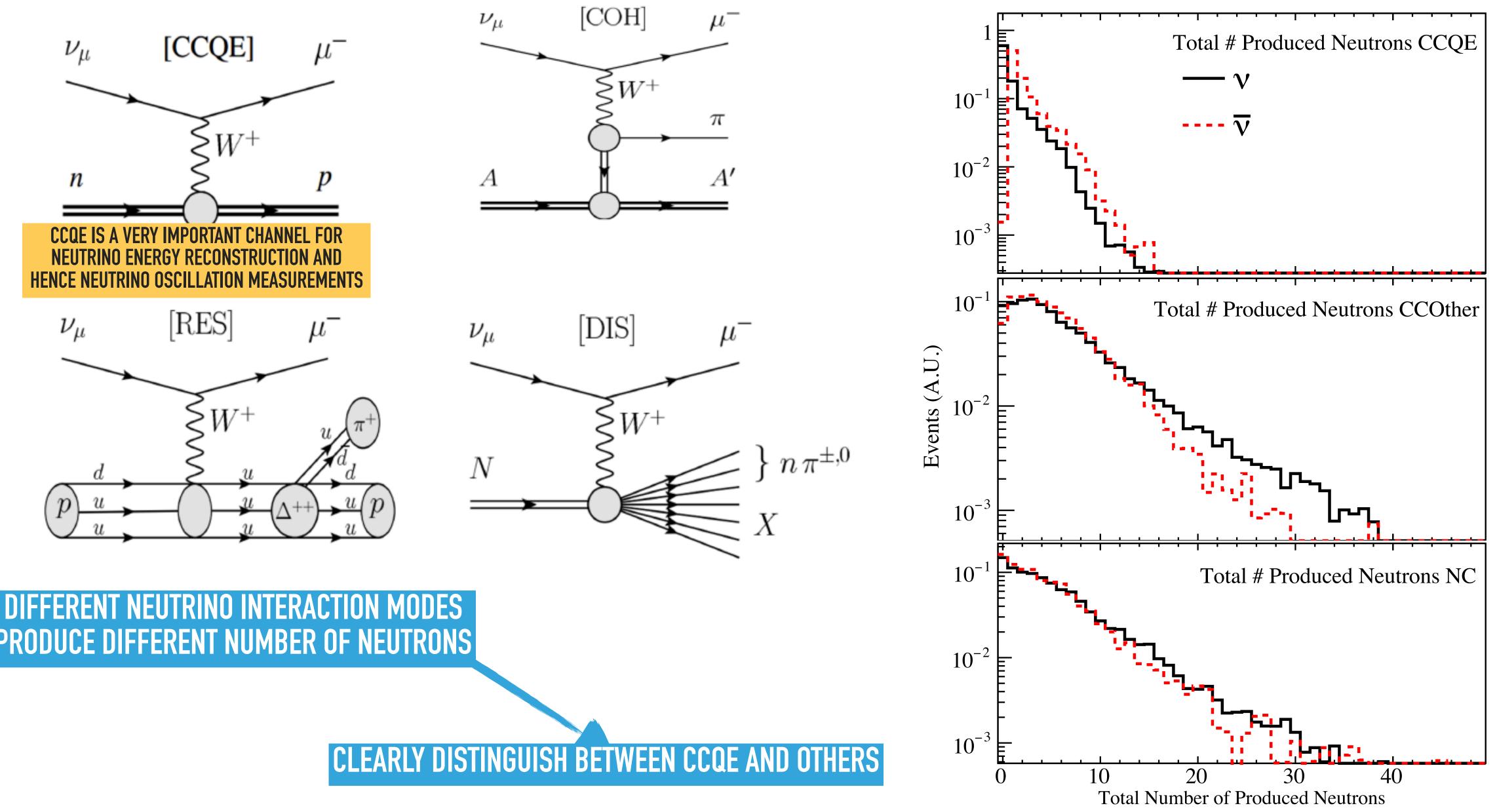


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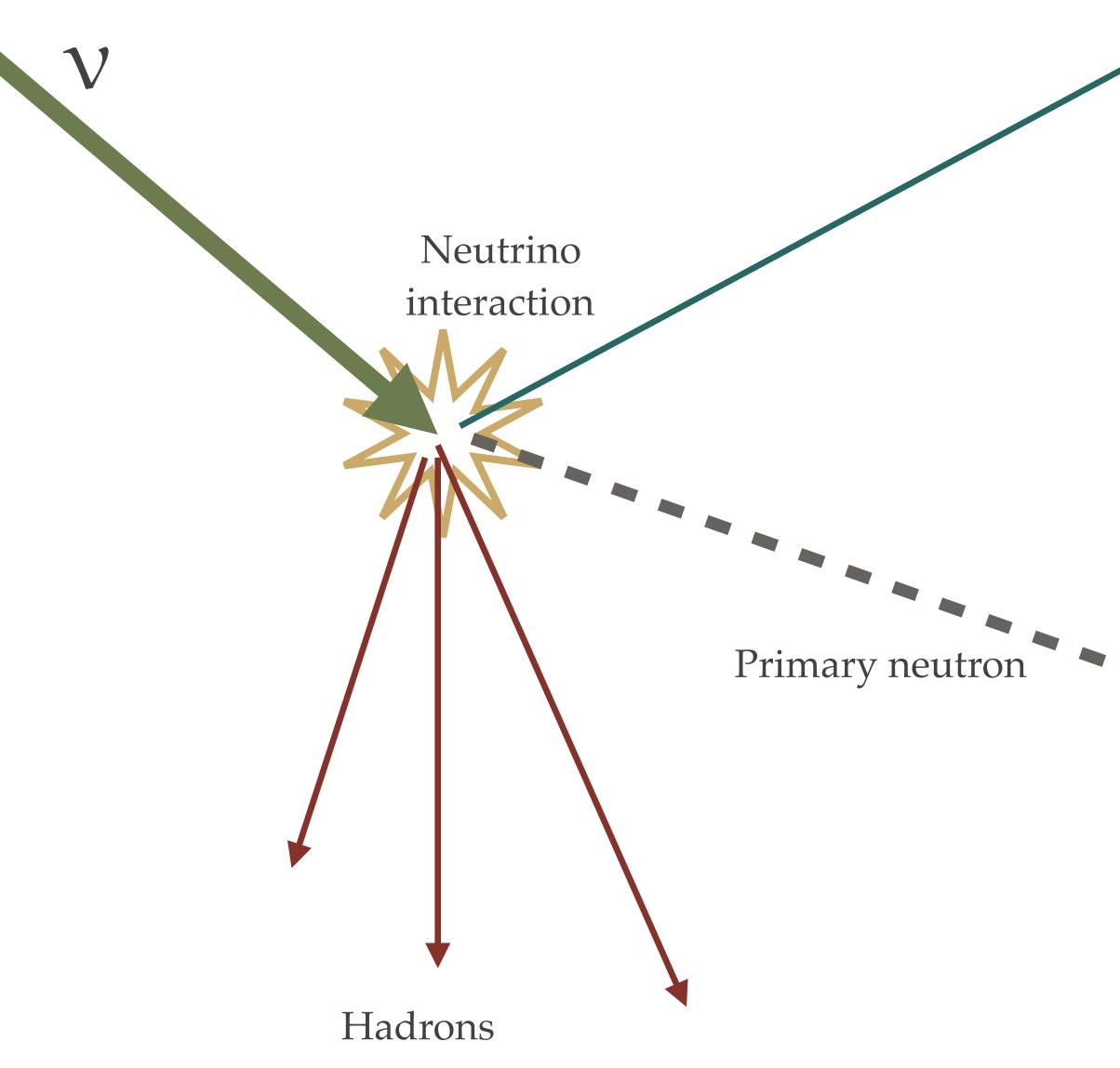


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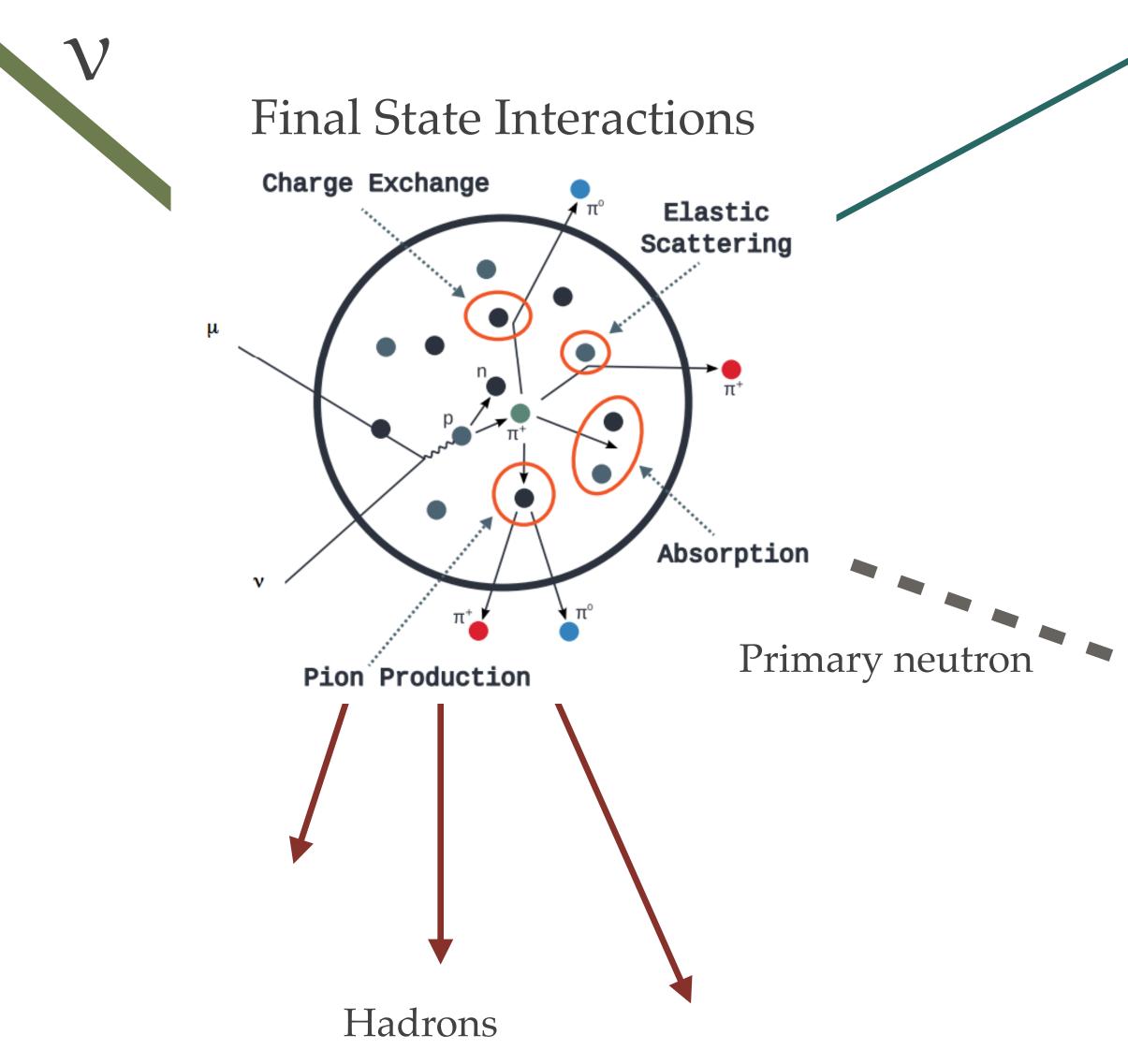


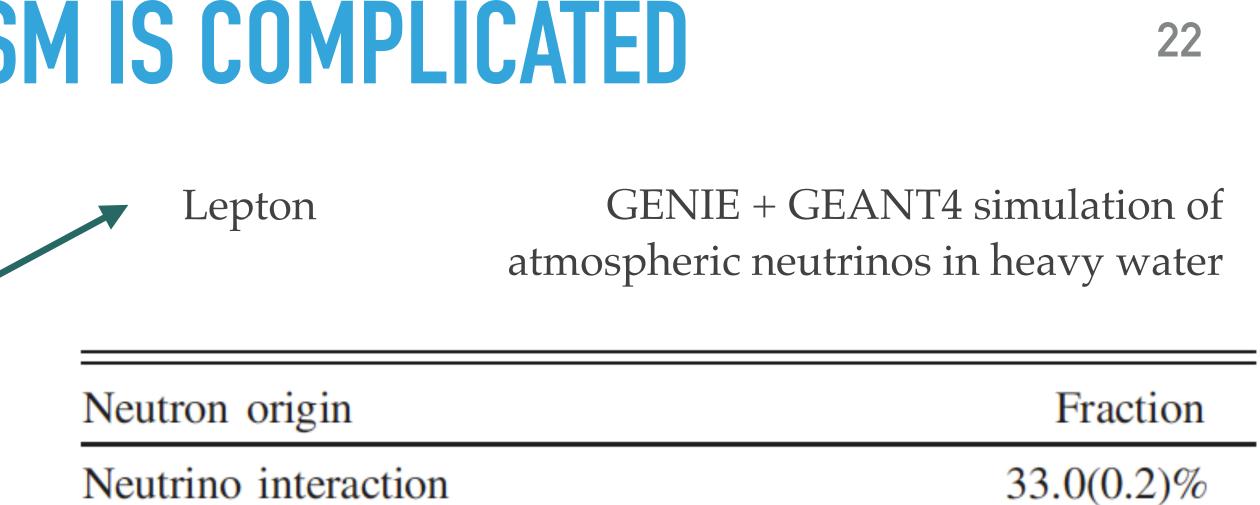


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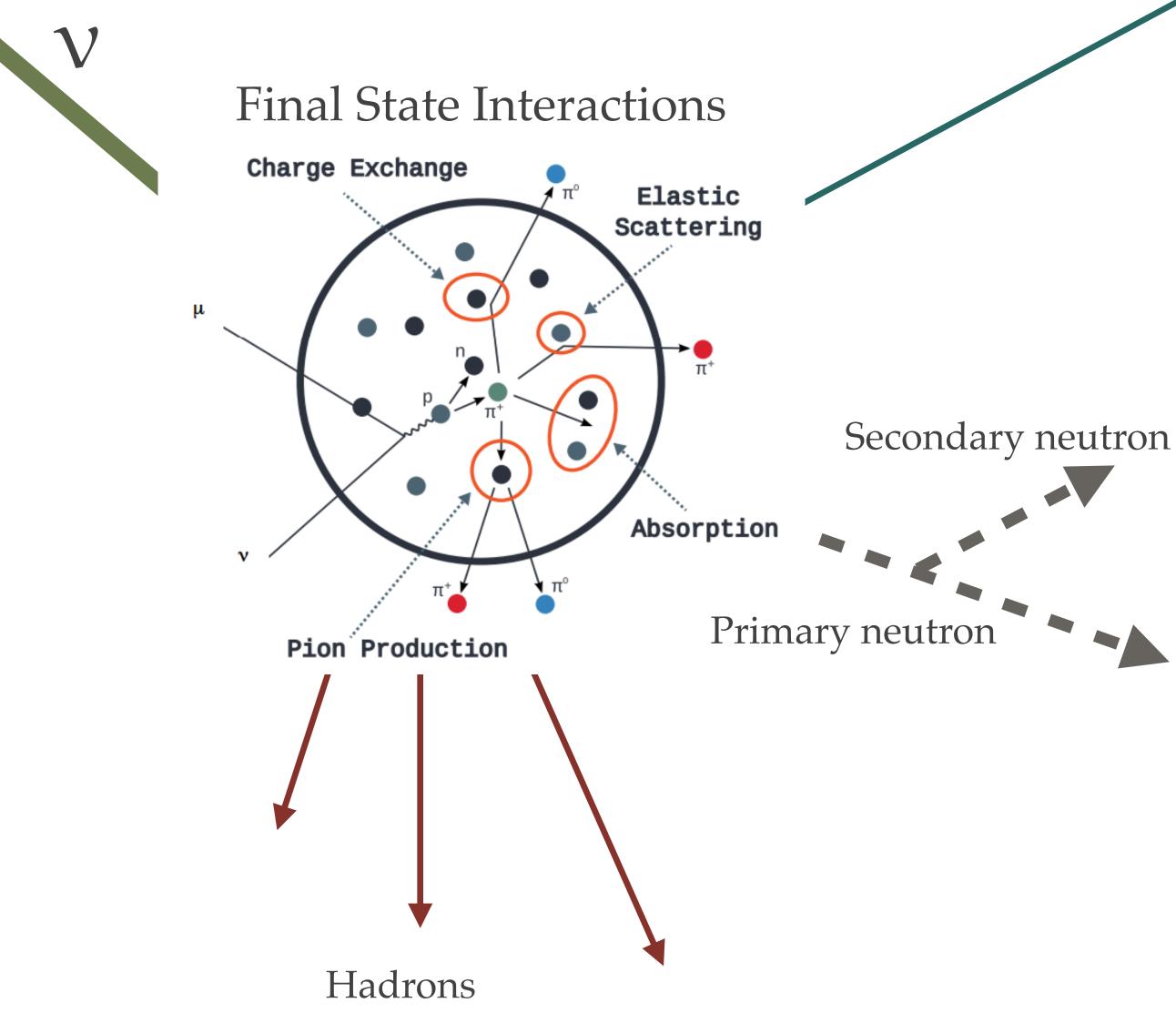


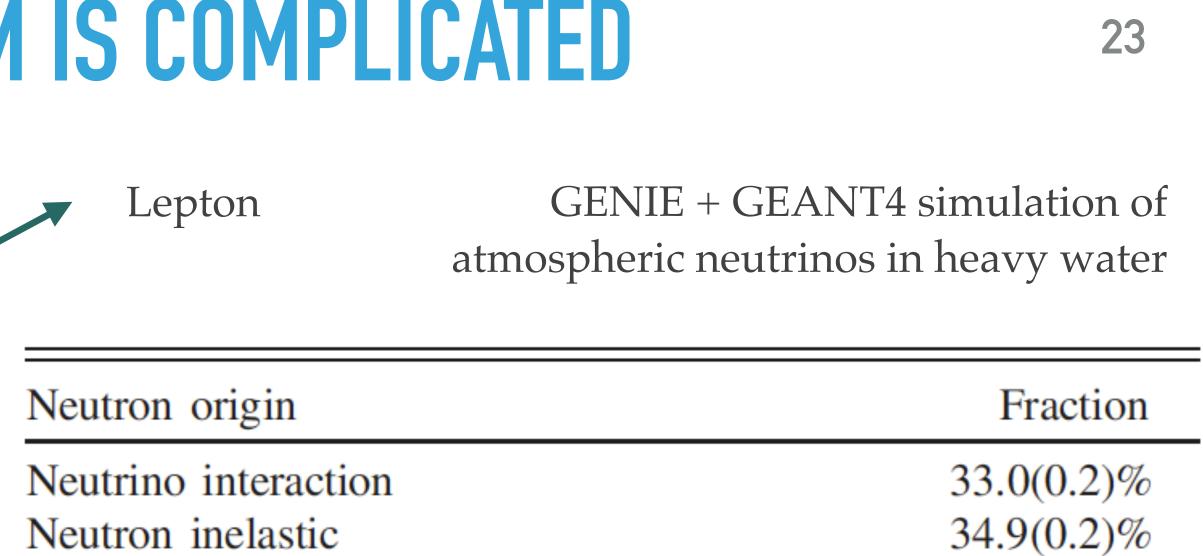




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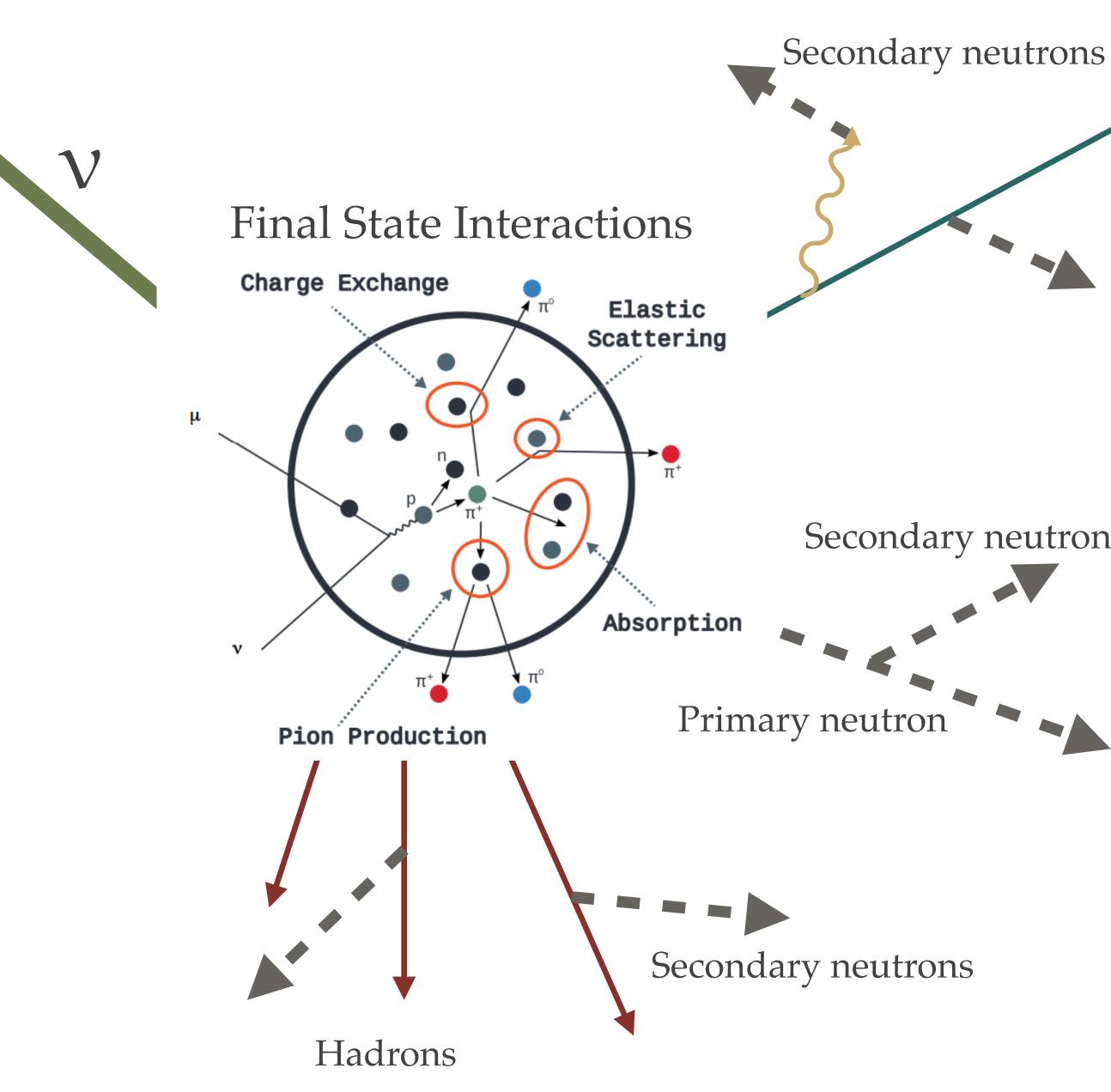






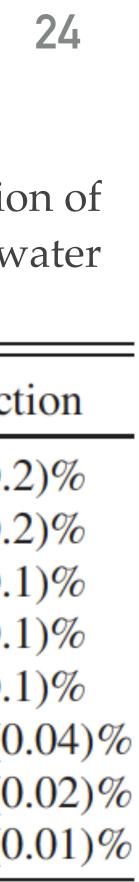
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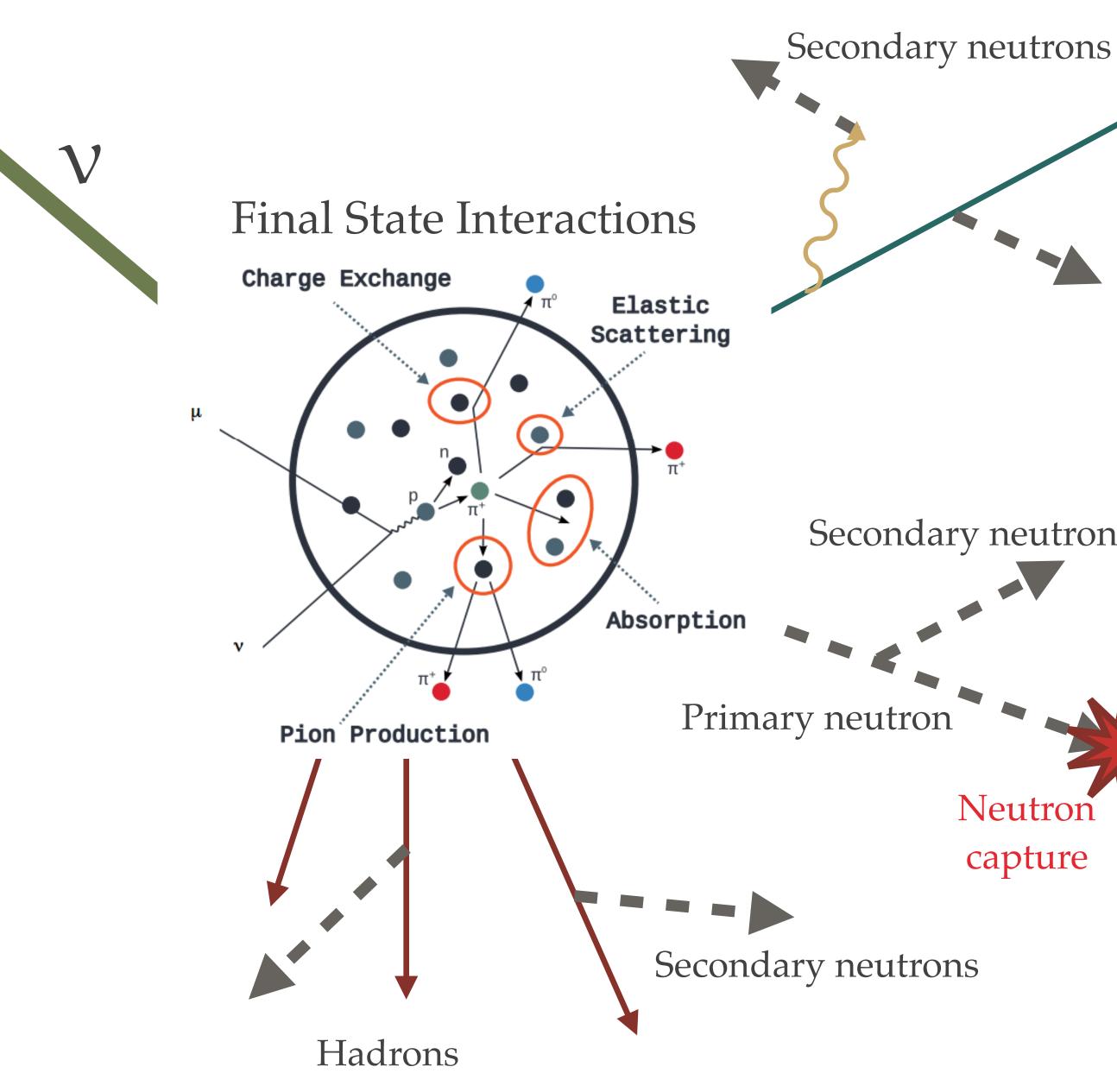




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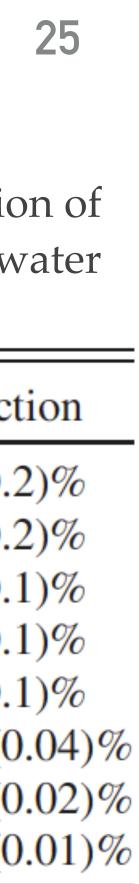




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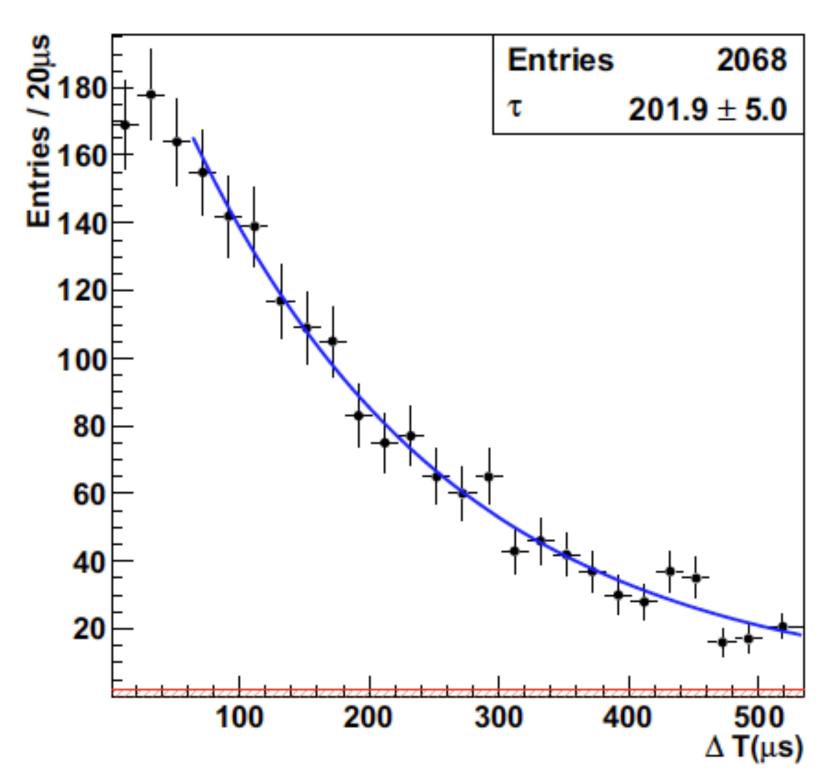
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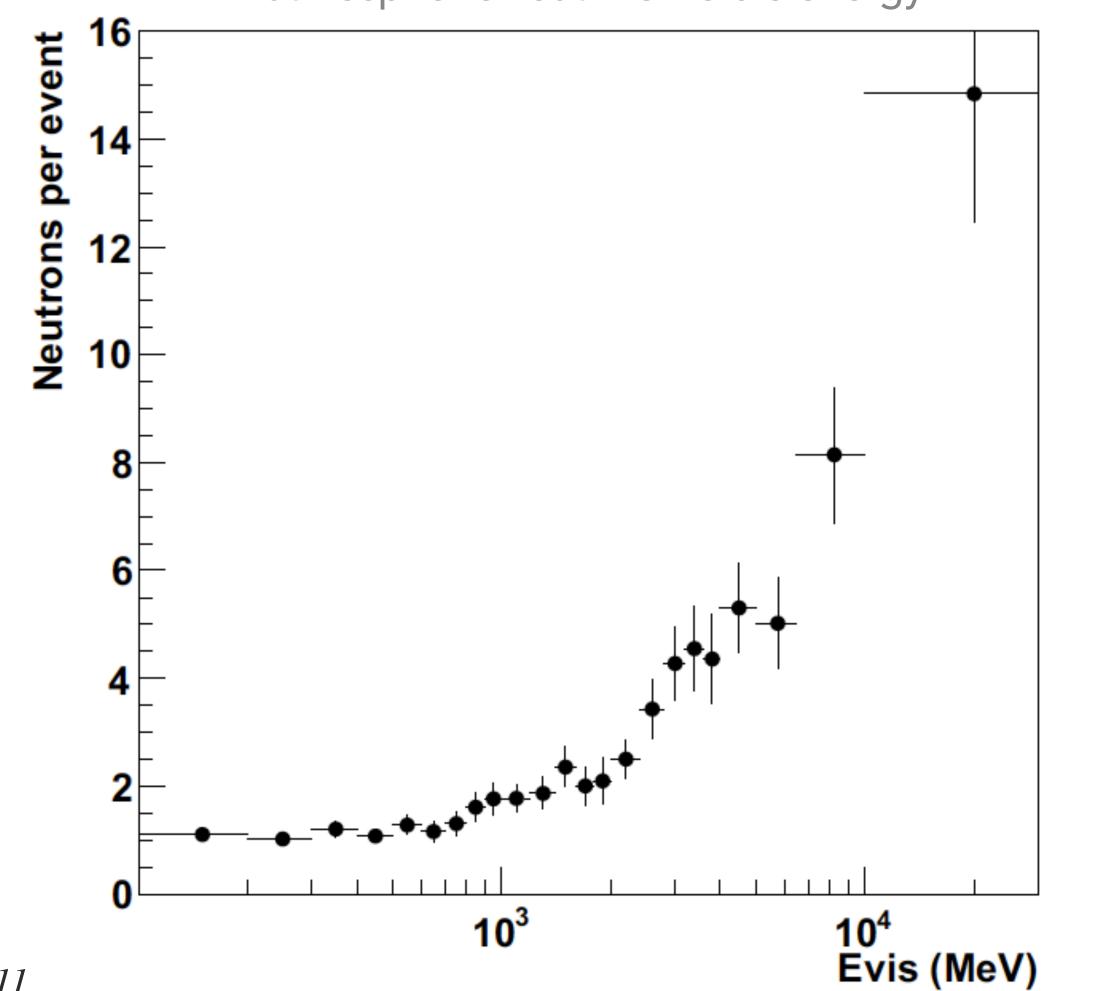
SUPER-KAMIOKANDE DEMONSTRATED NEUTRON DETECTION IN LIGHT WATER

Time difference between atmospheric event and neutron capture in light water



Source: Proceedings of the 32nd International Cosmic Ray Conference, Beijing, 2011 http://inspirehep.net/record/1343280/files/v4.pdf

Averaged number of neutrons vs atmospheric neutrino visible energy





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SNO TOOK DATA FROM 1999 TO 2006

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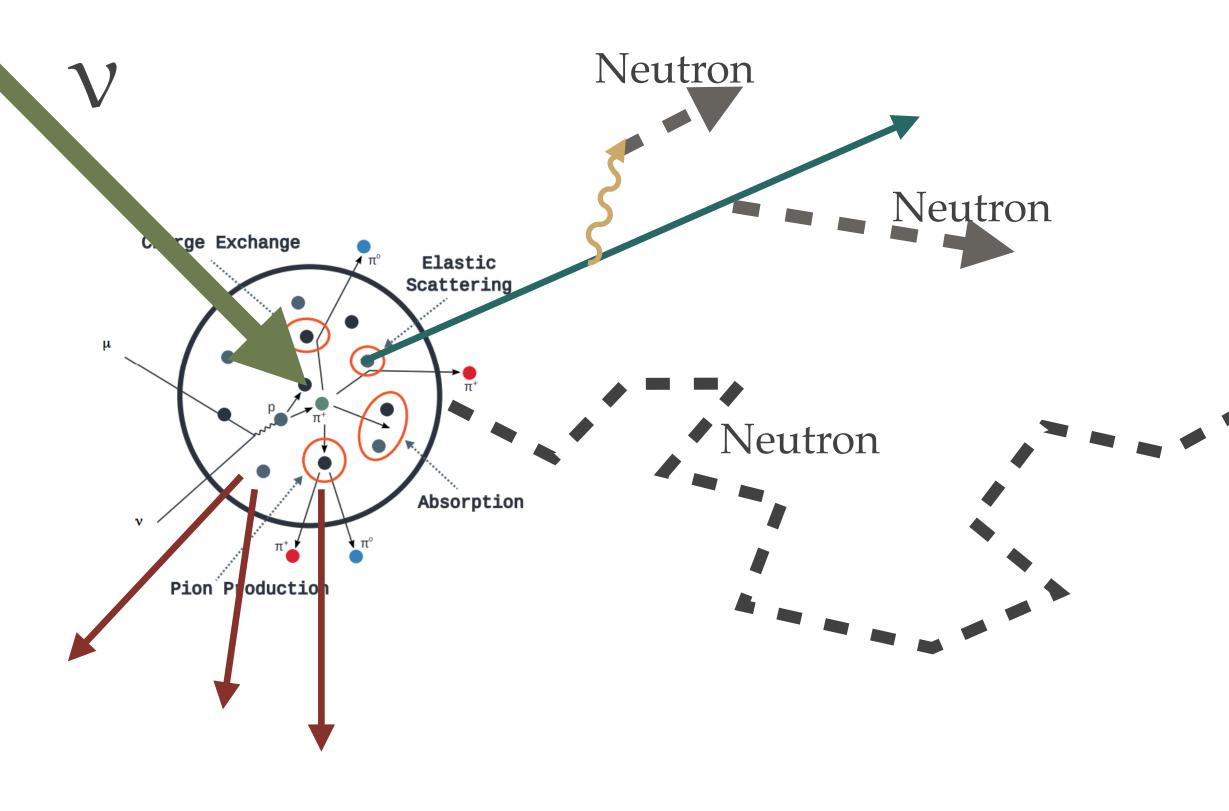
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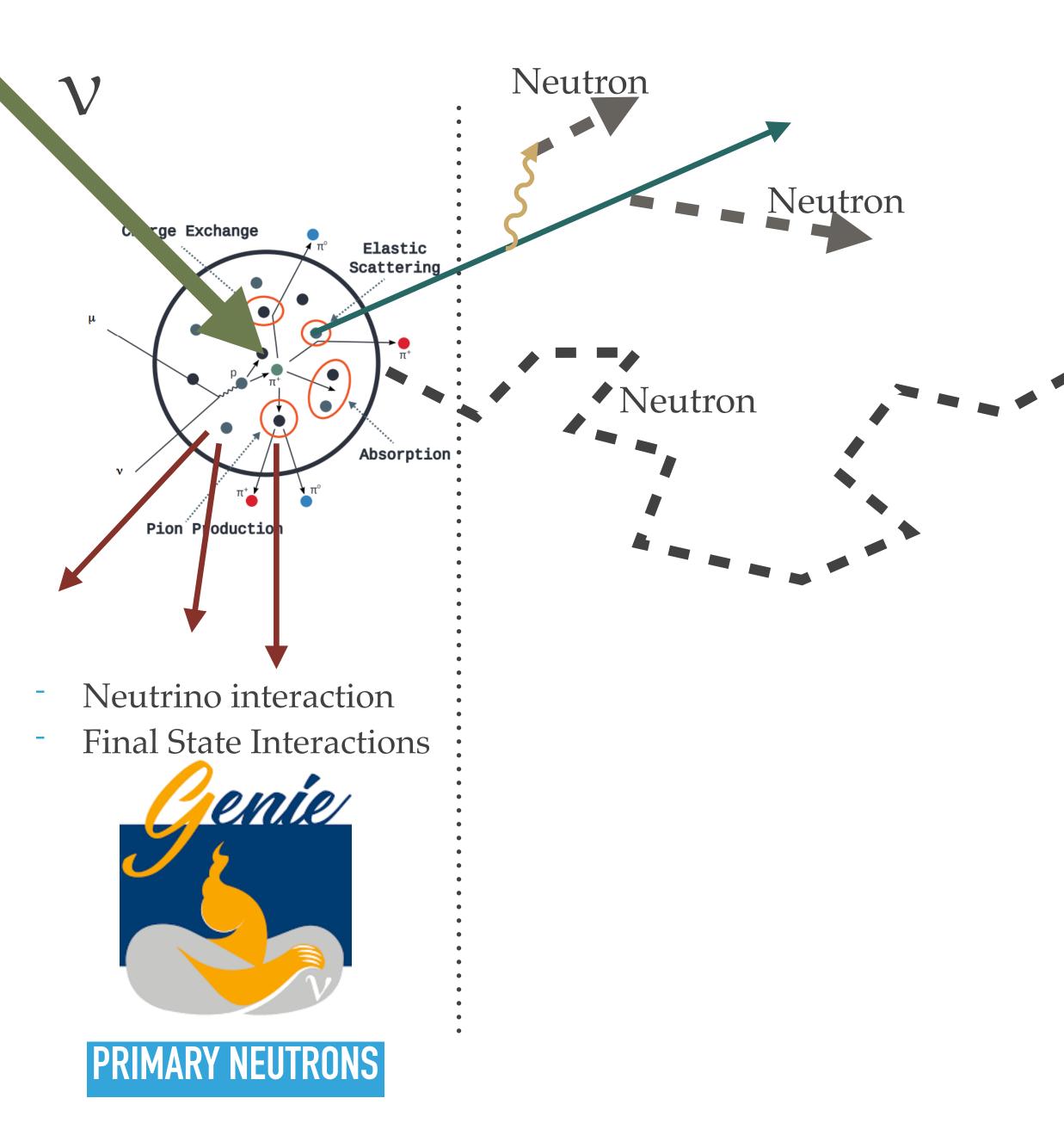






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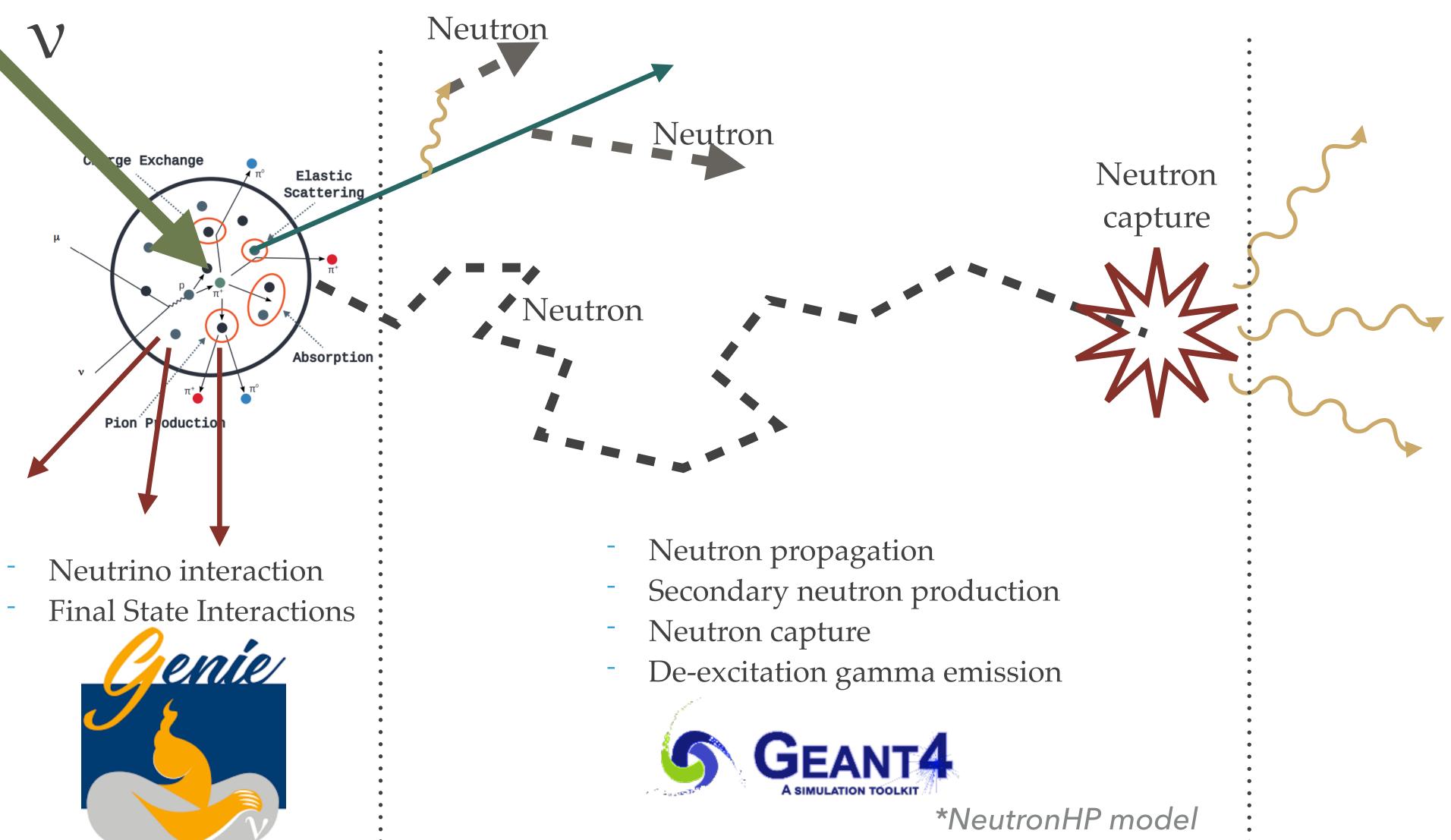






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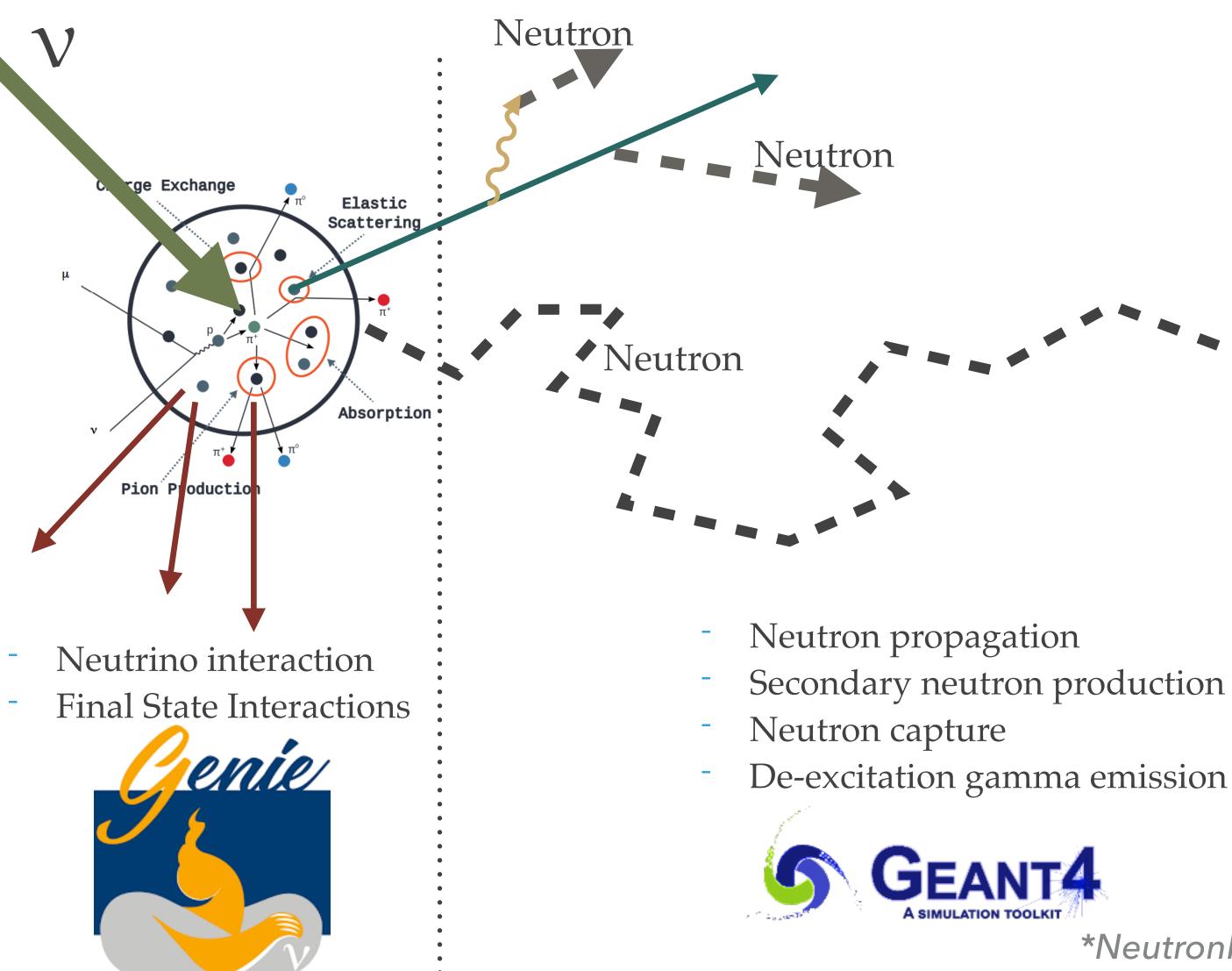




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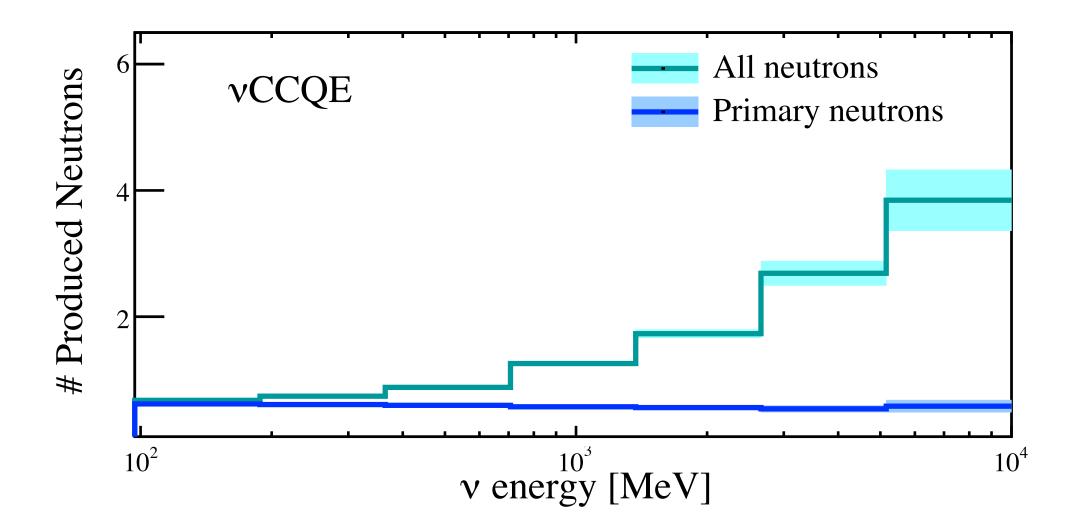
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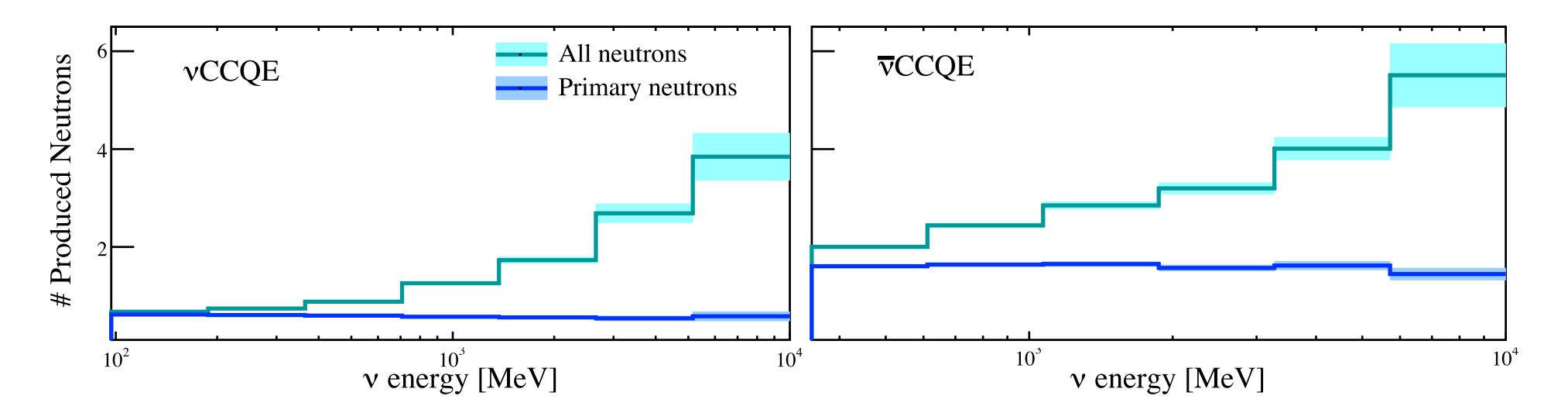


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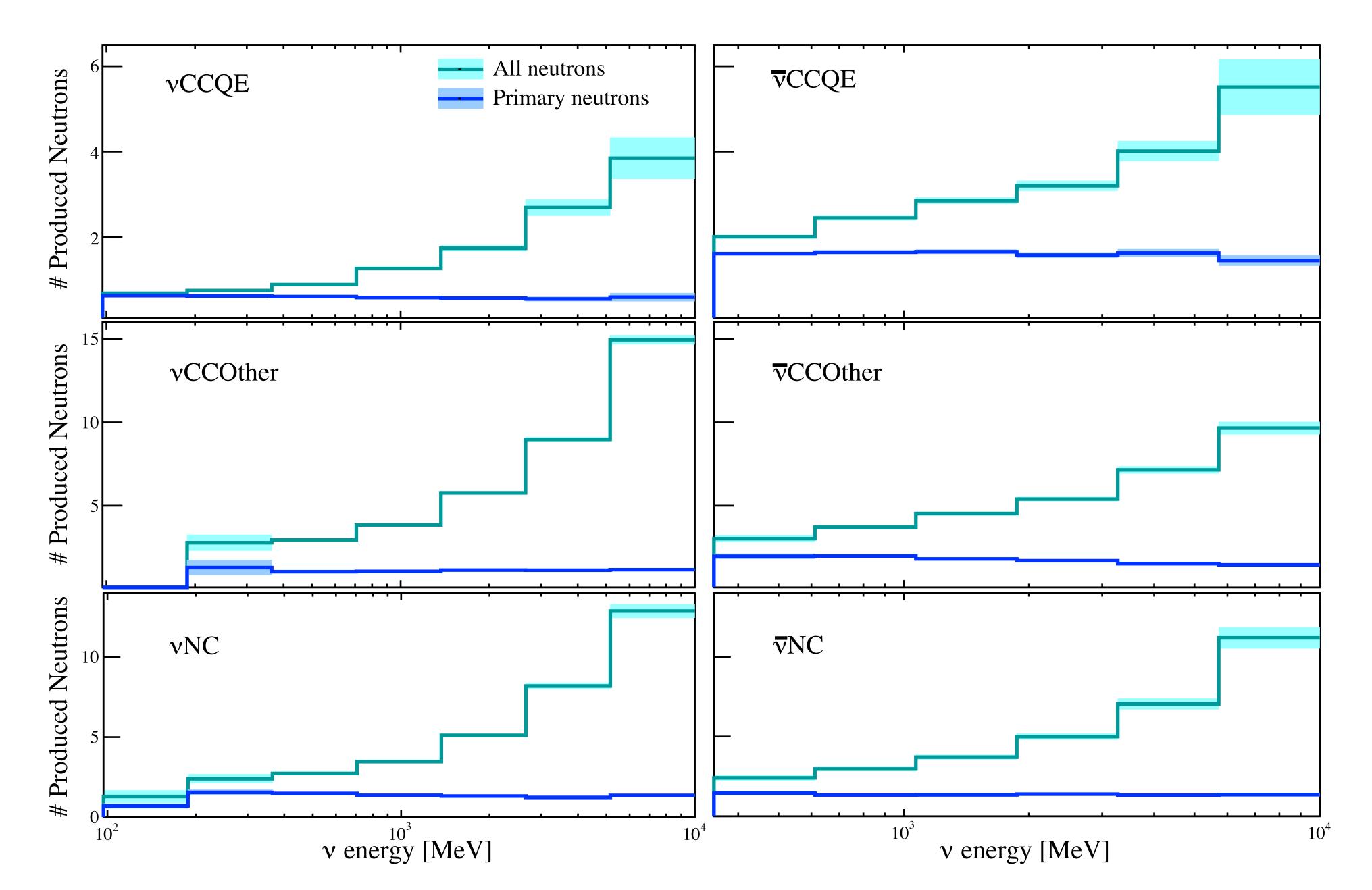


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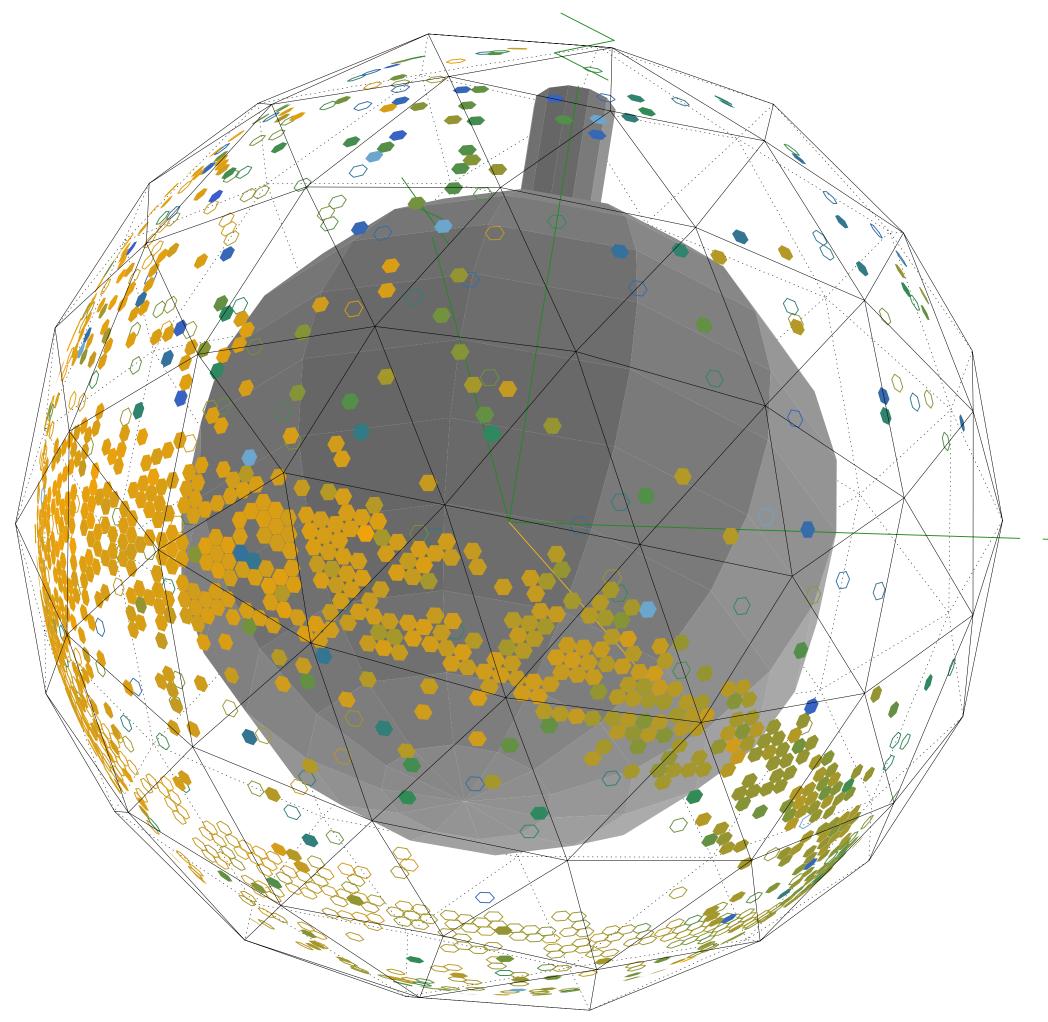




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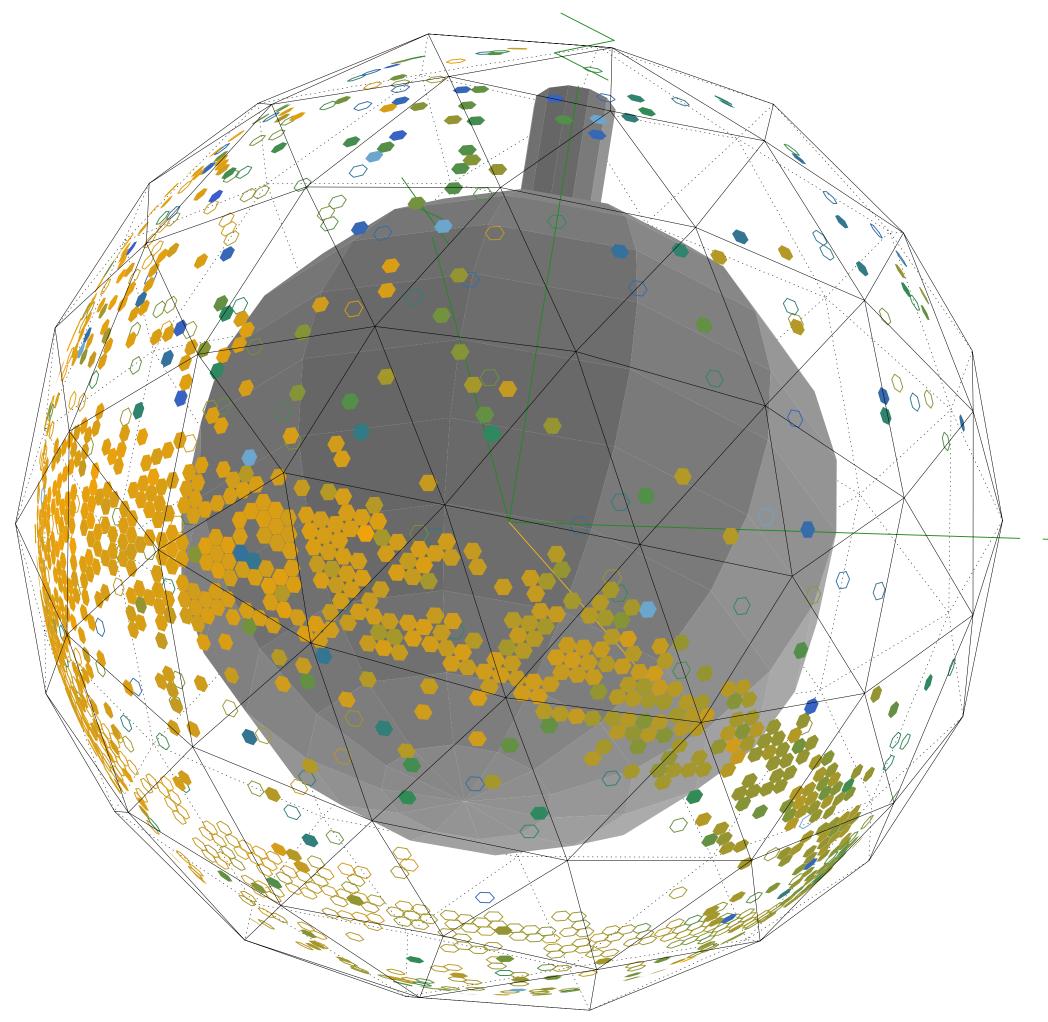




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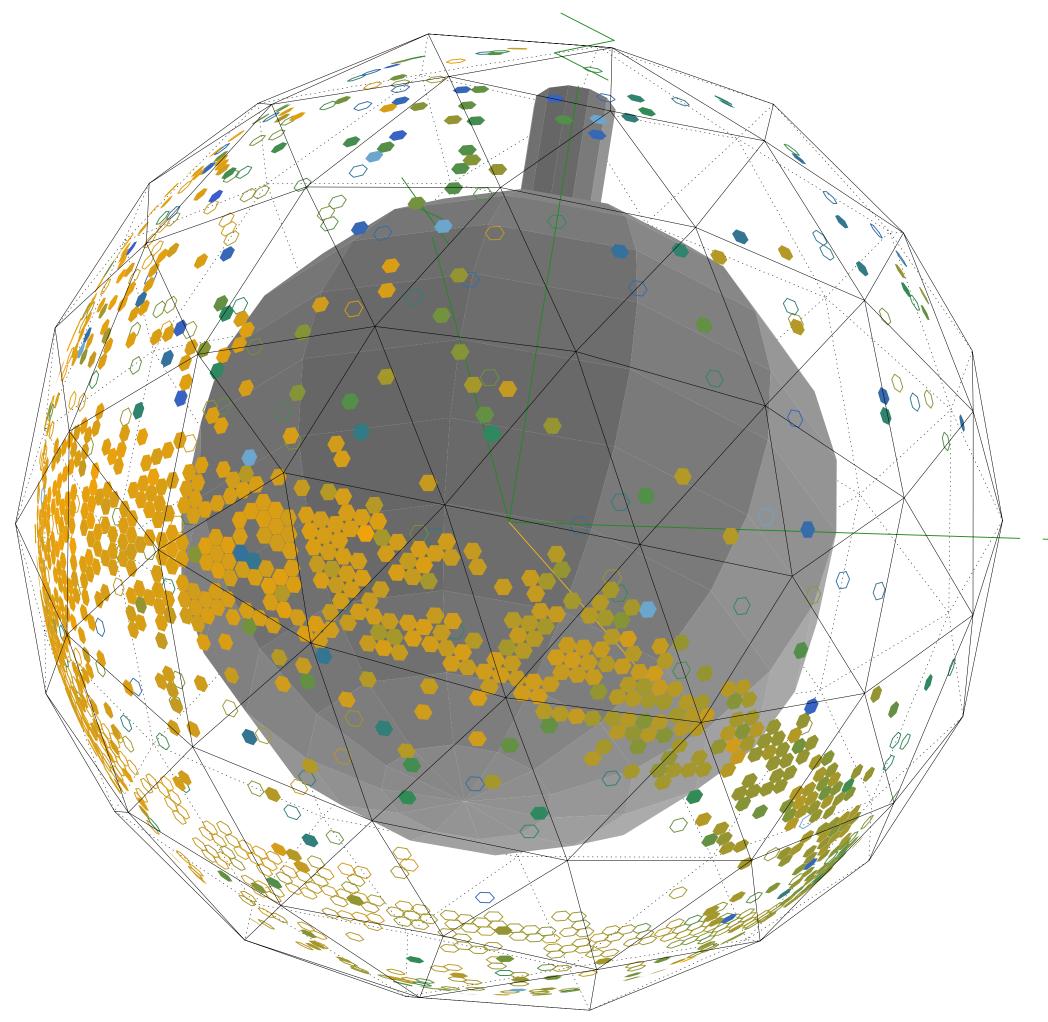




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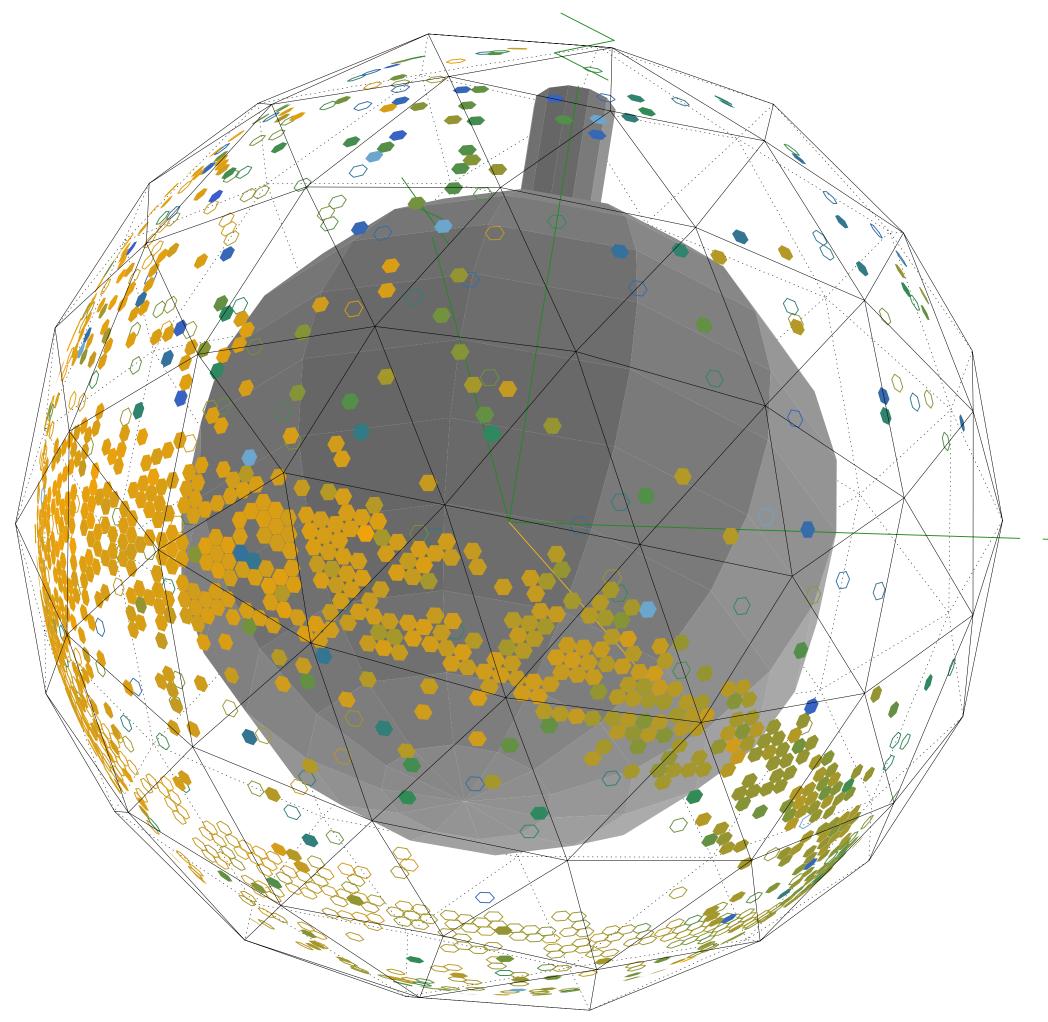




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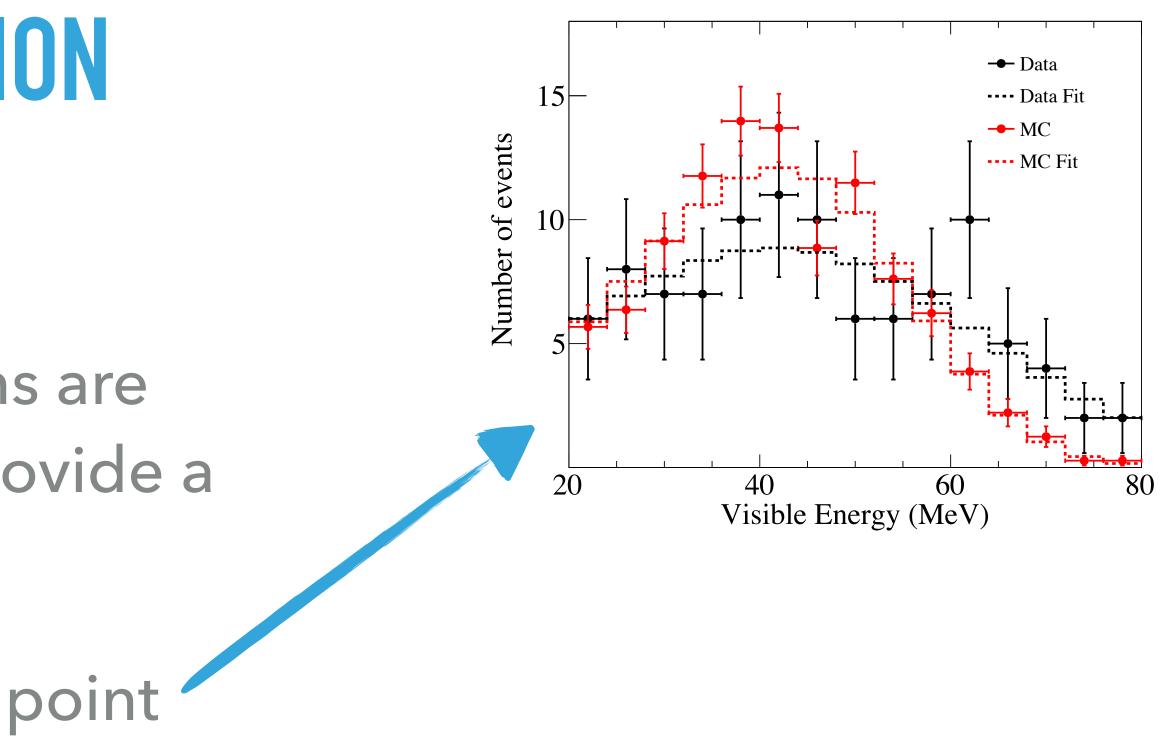
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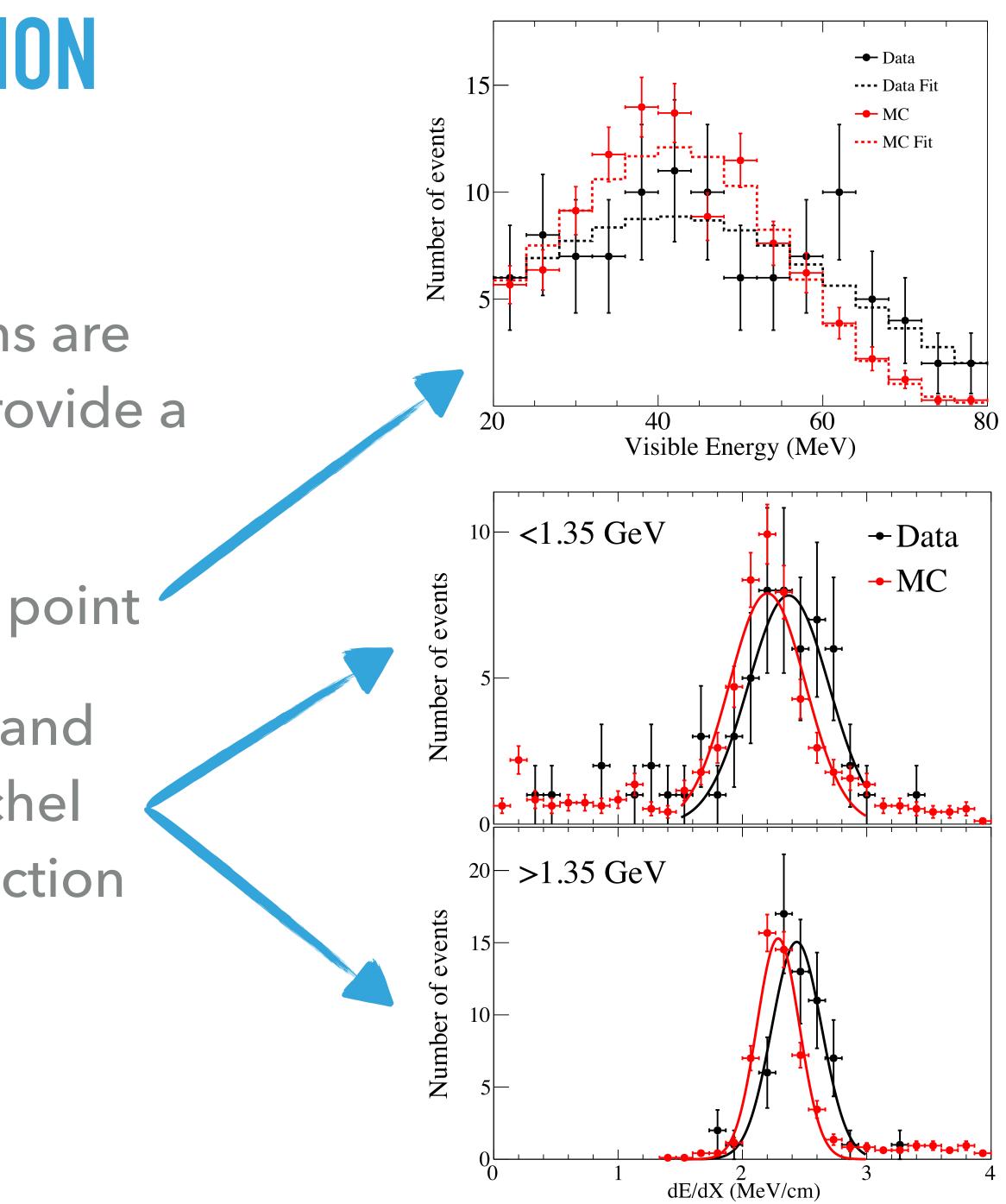
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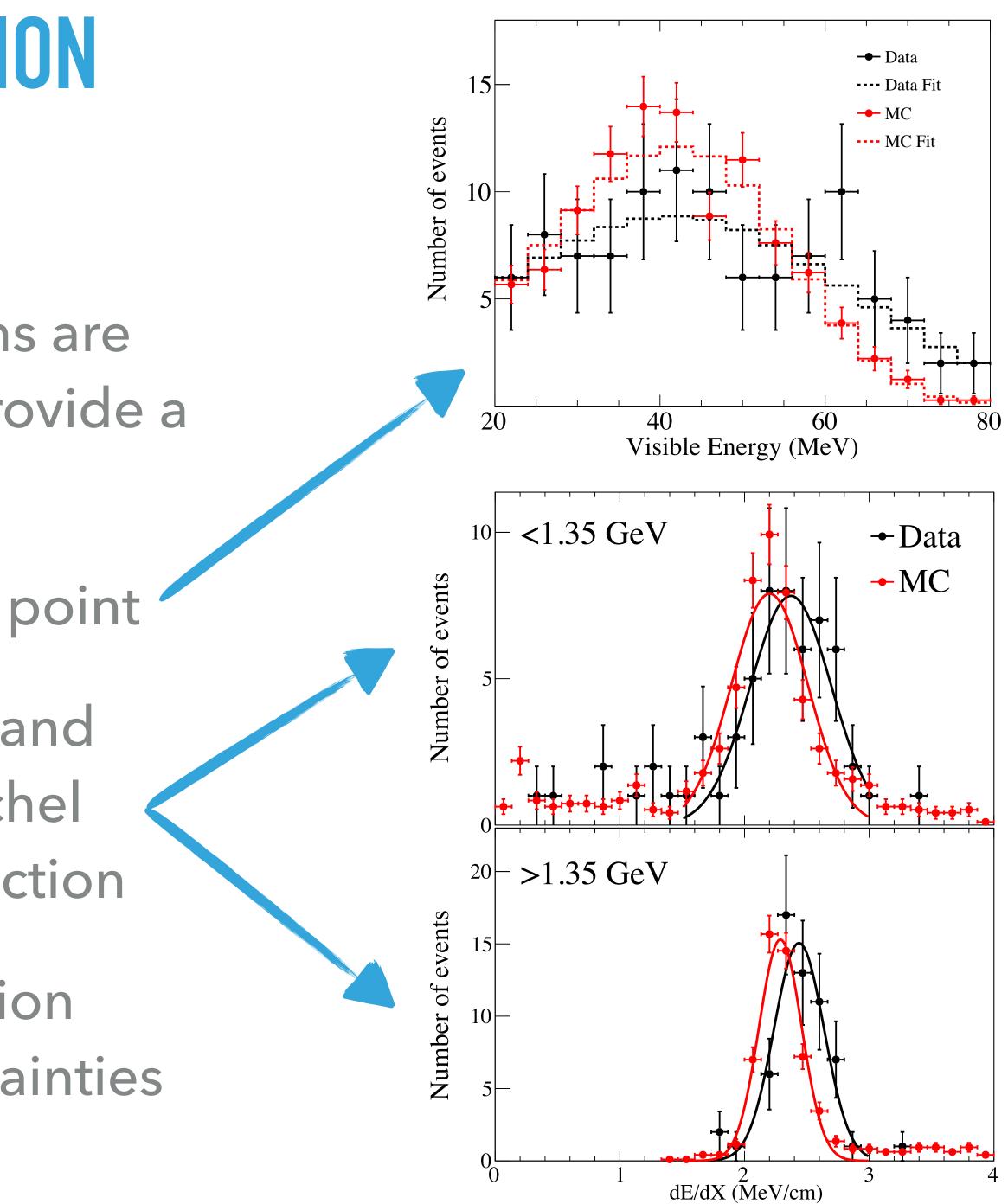
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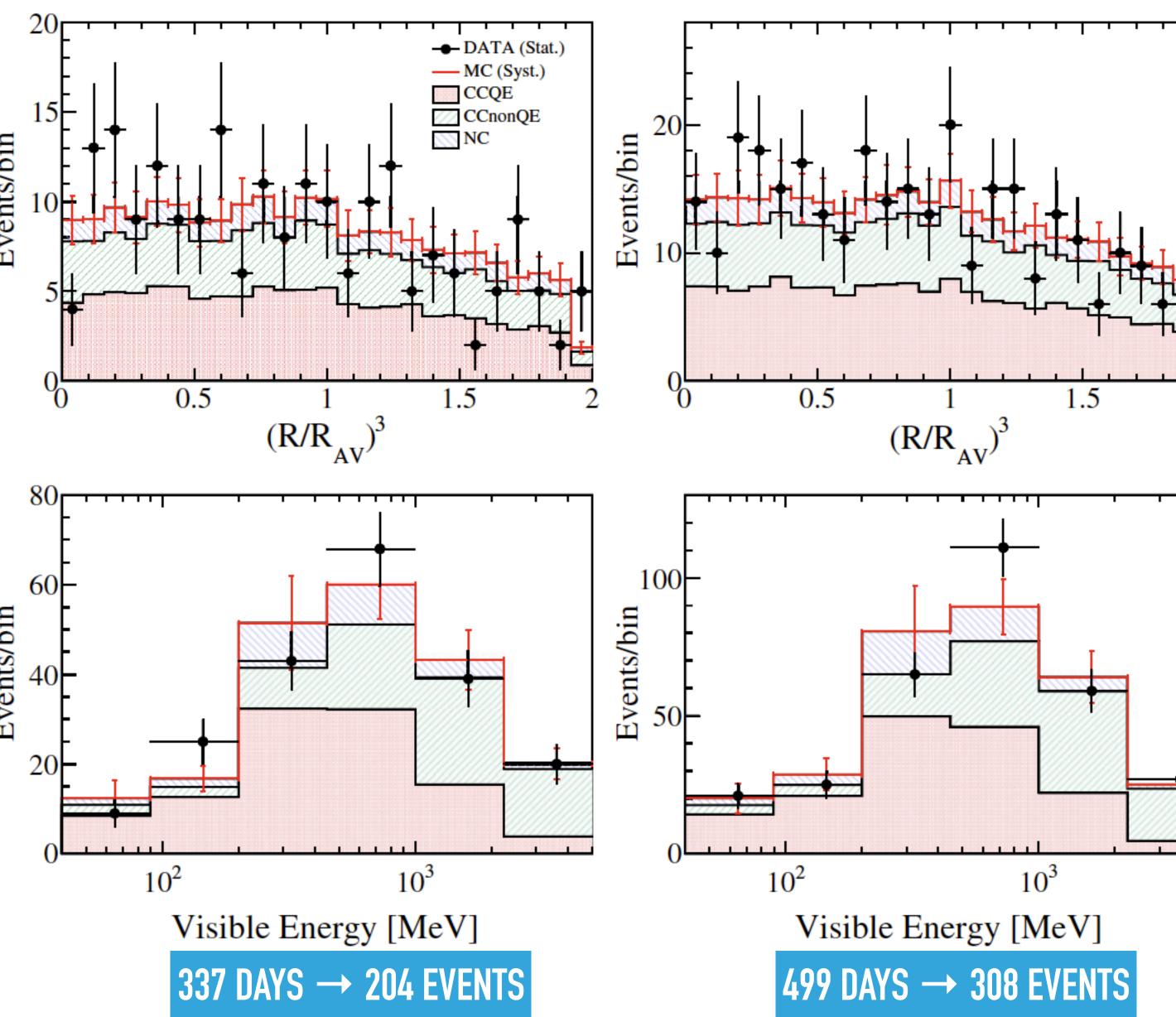
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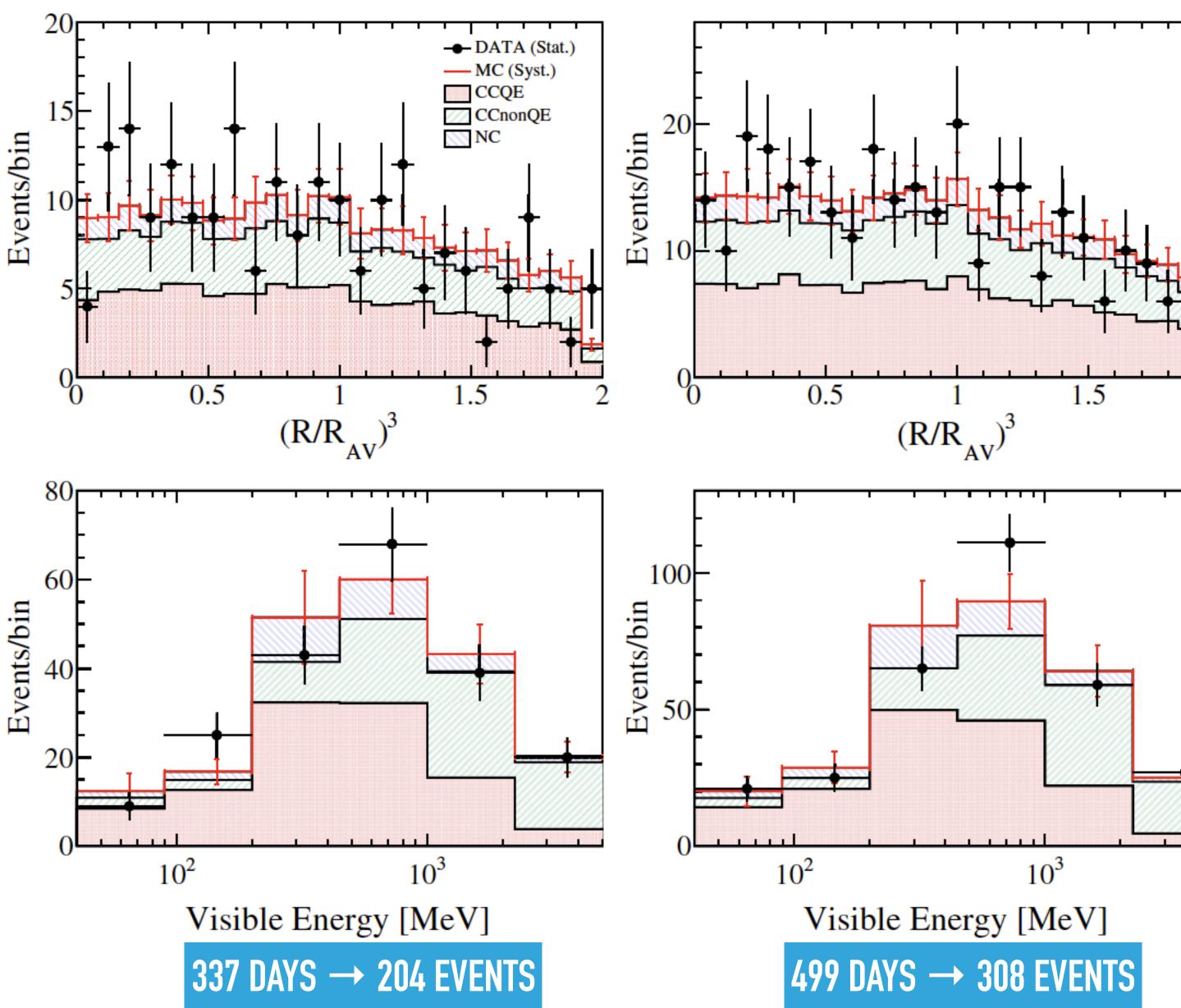




ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINO INTERACTION CANDIDATES

- Focus on events with more than 200 PMT hits
- Select fully contained events by requiring less than 3 external veto PMTs hits
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- Fiducial volume cut of 7.5m

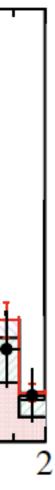






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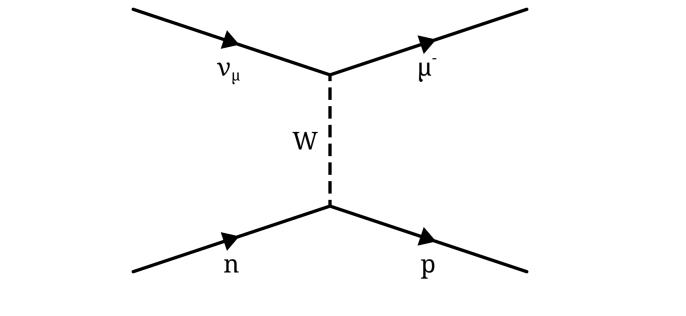


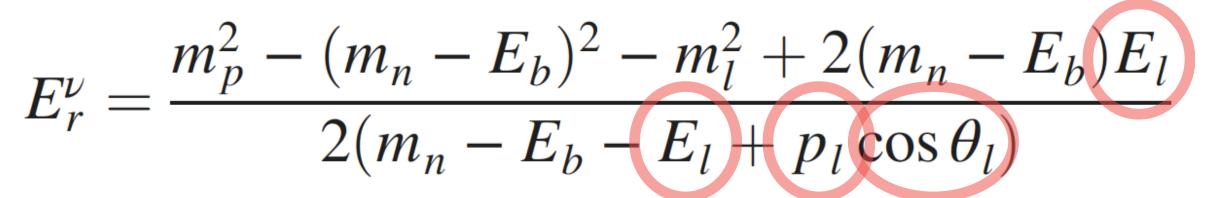




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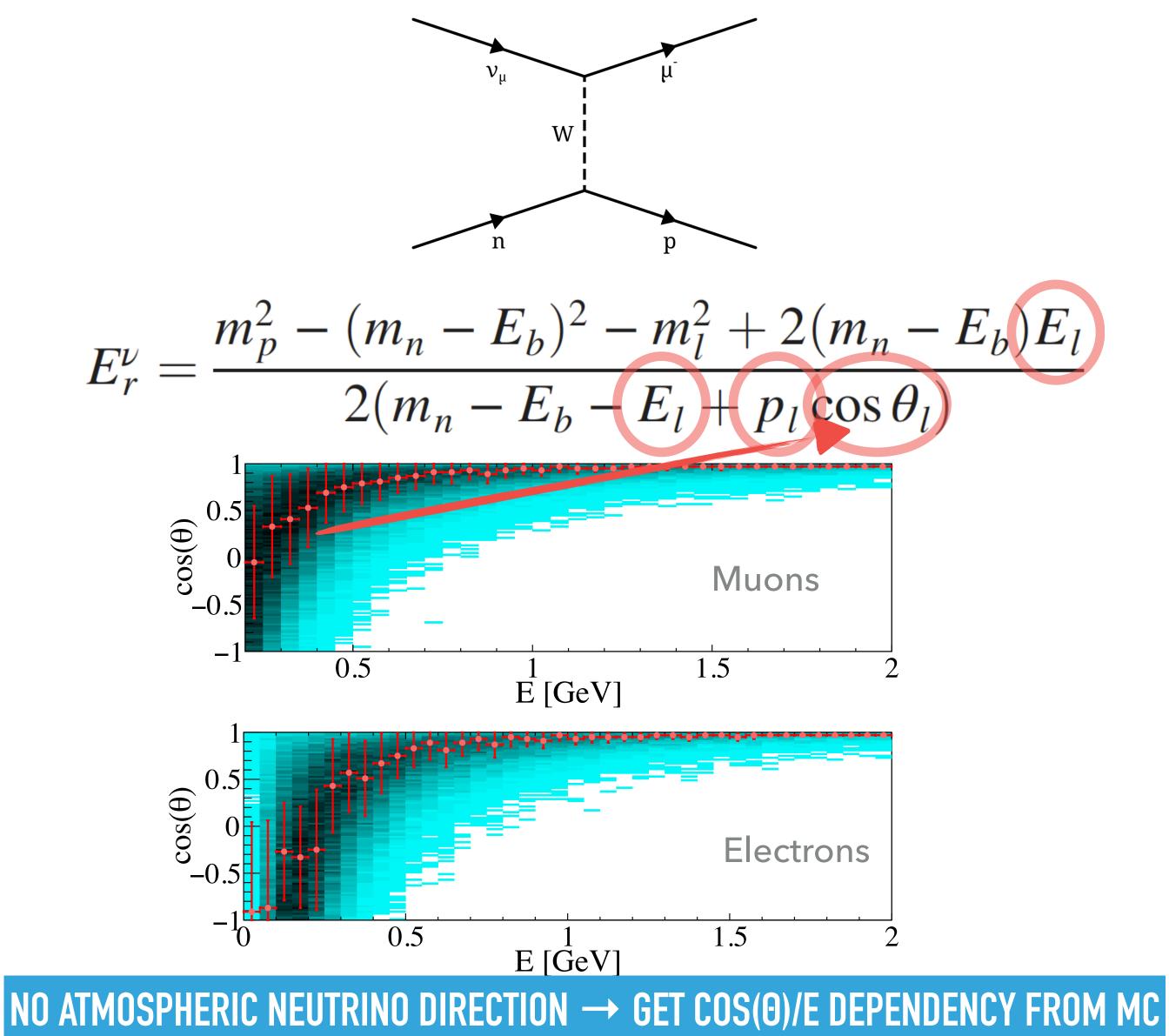






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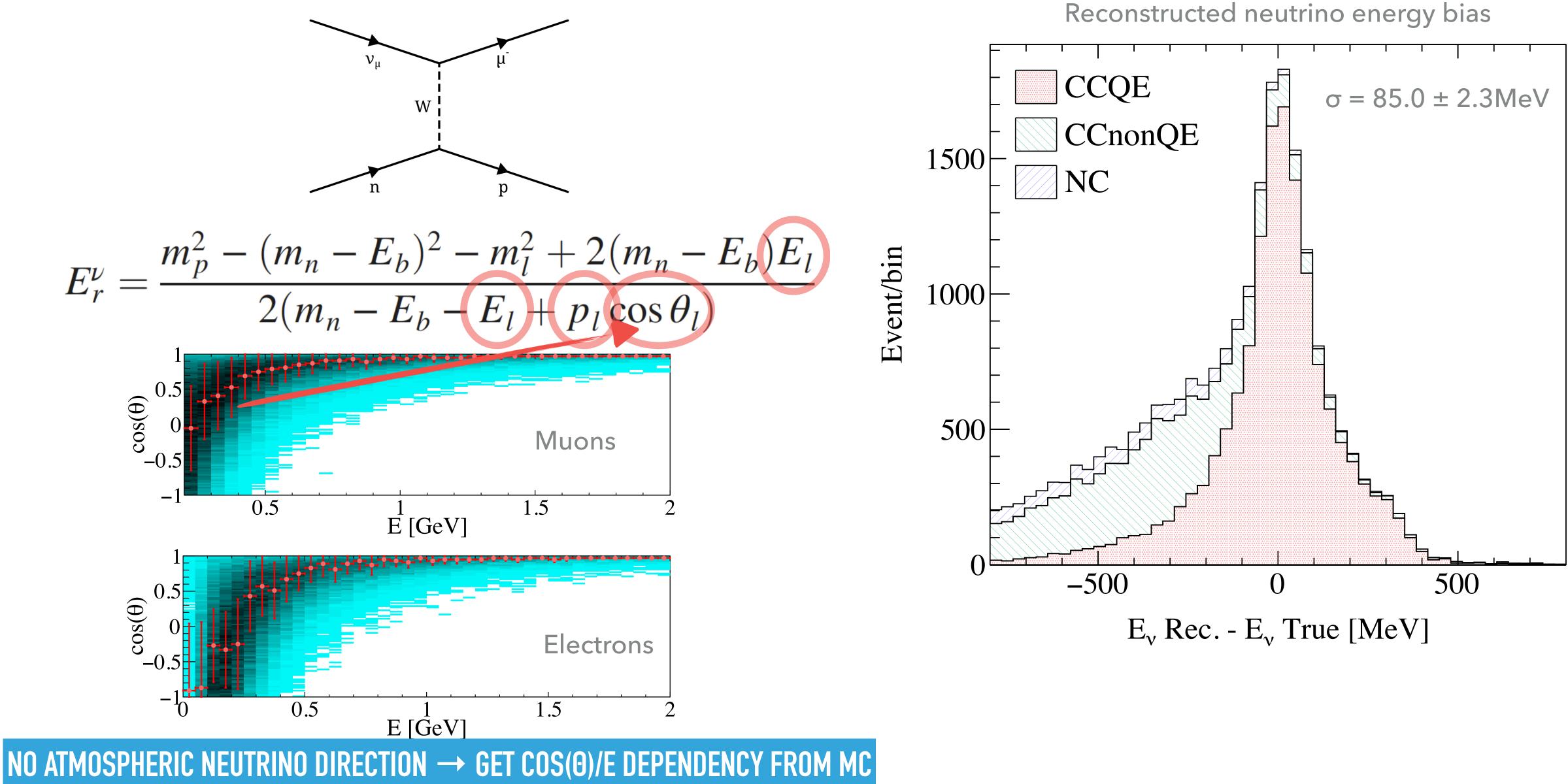






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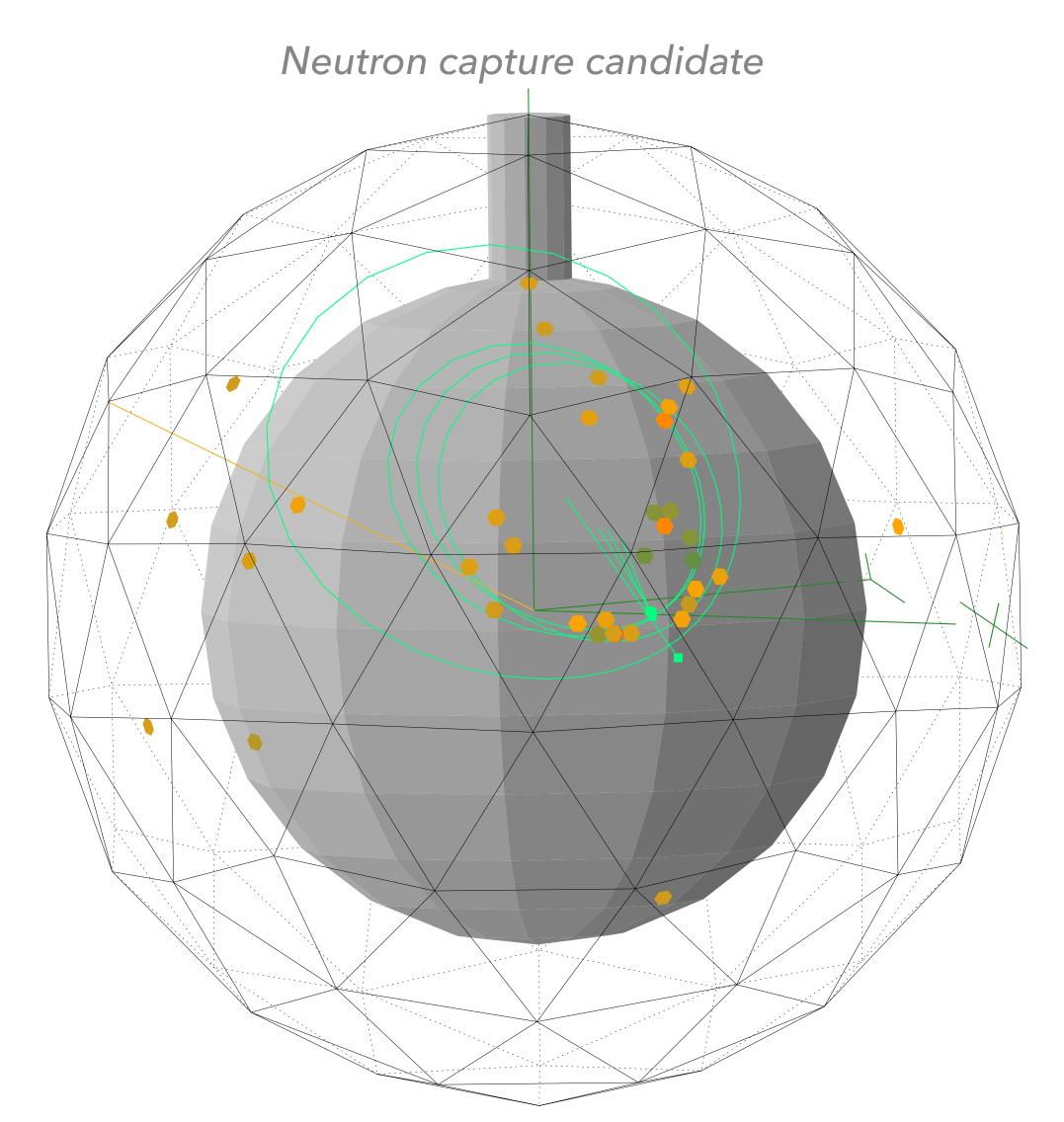
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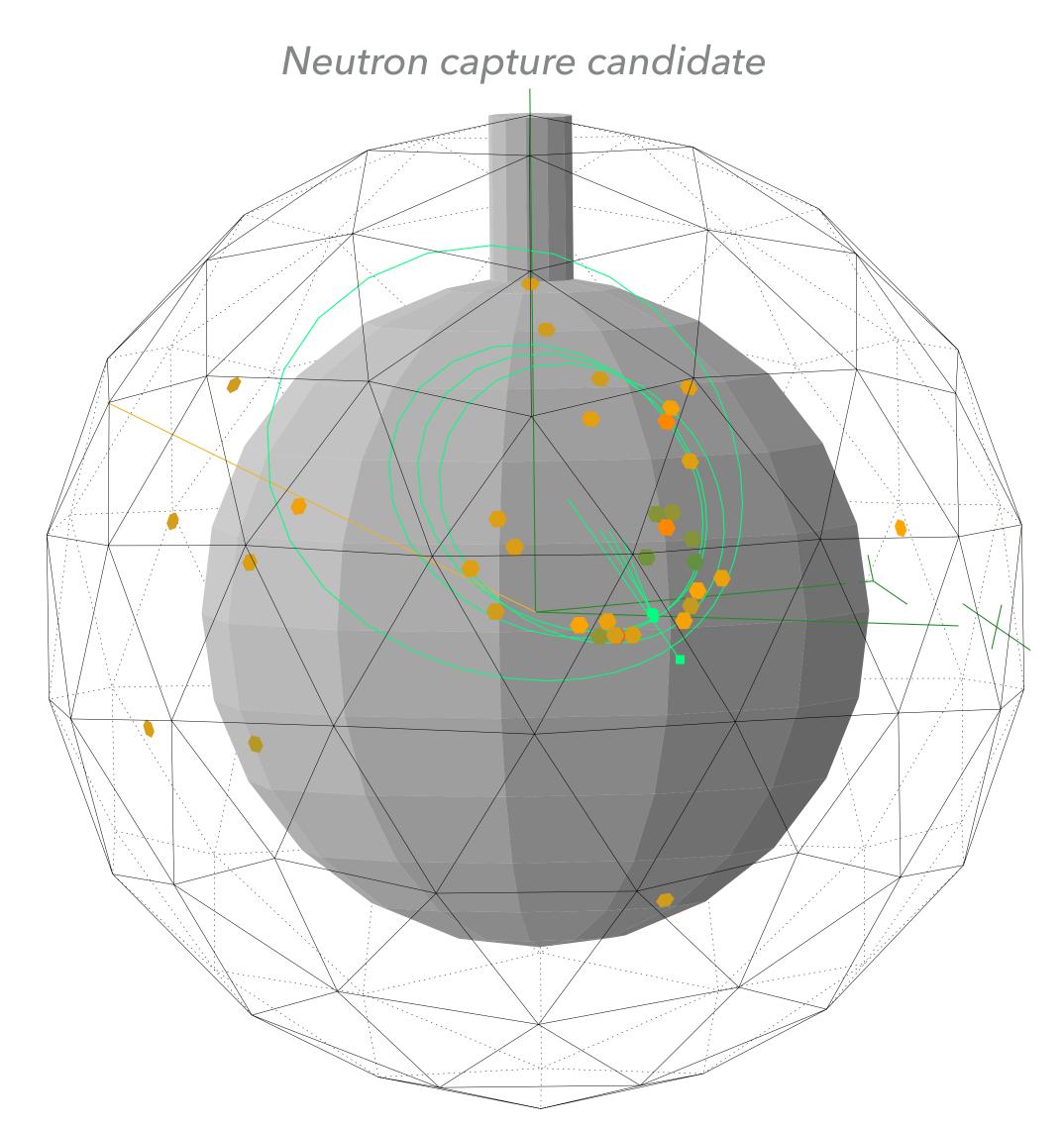


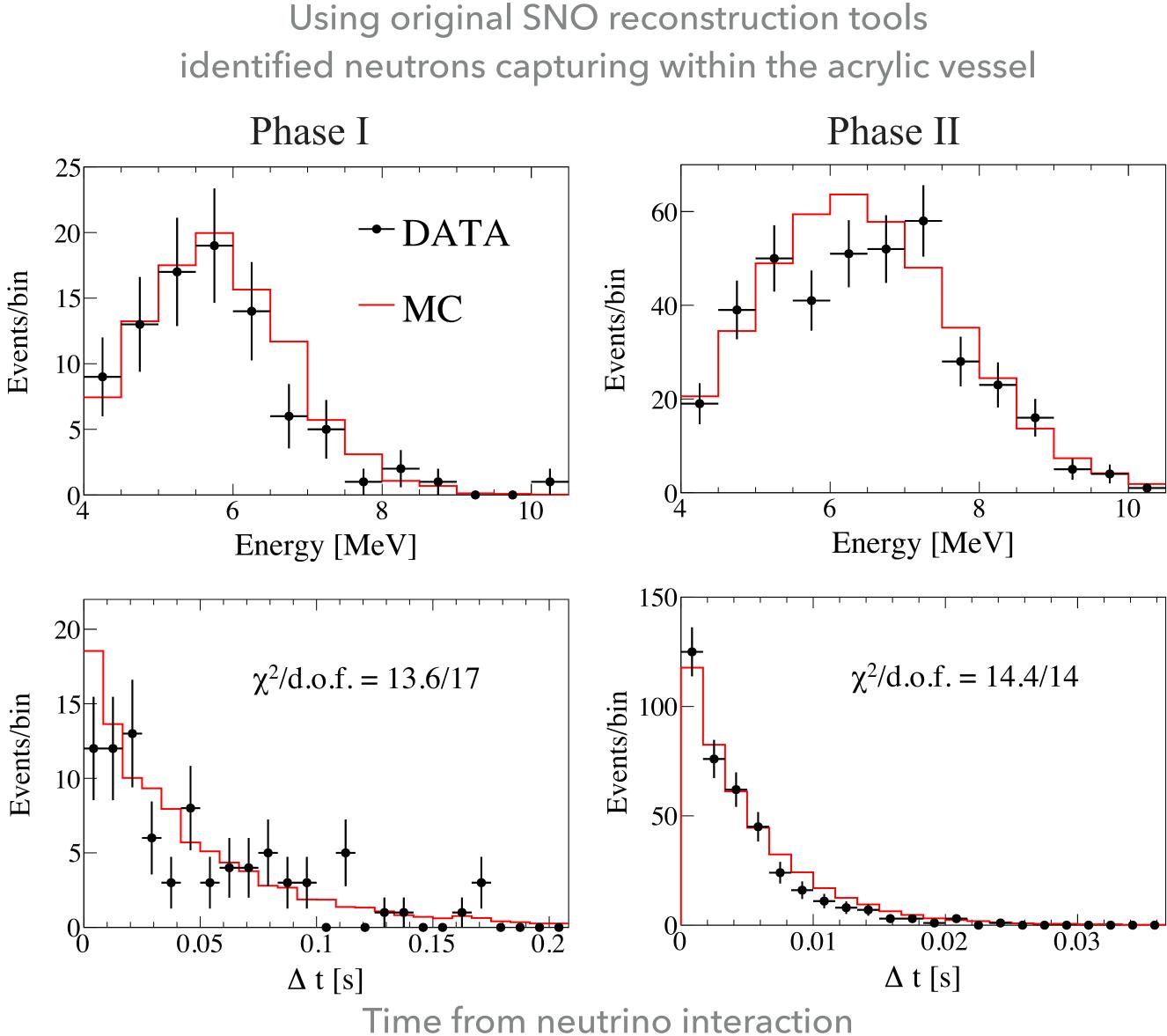
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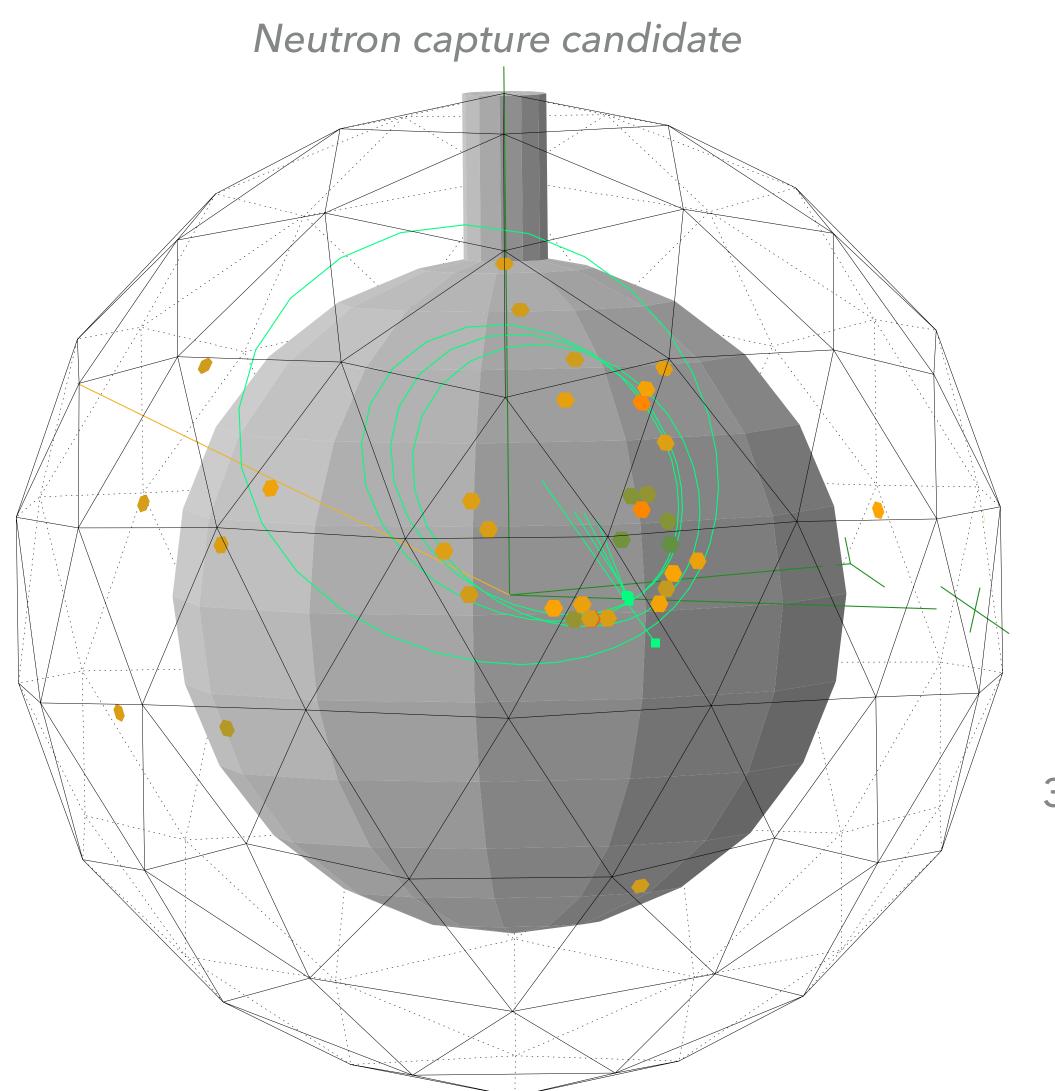
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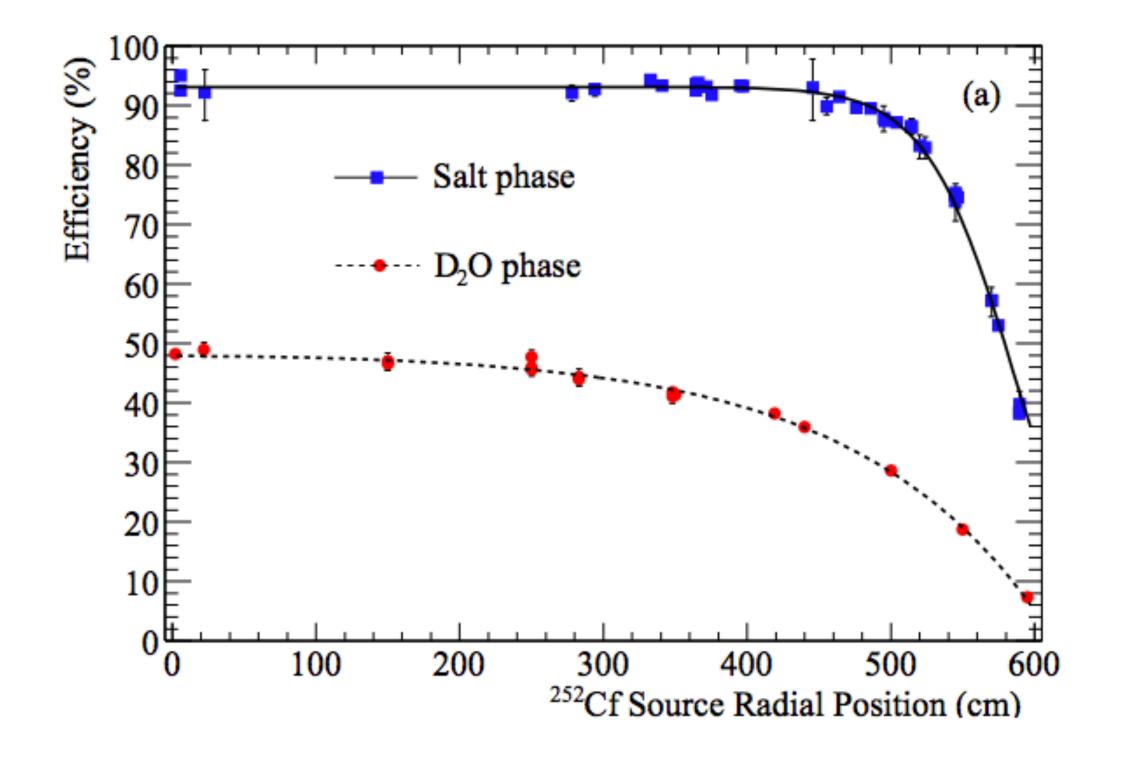


- DATA Phase I 10^{2} CCQE CCnonQE Events/bin NC 10 88 neutron capture candidates 10-2 10^{-2} 5 10 Neutron multiplicity Phase II 10^{2} Events/bin 10 388 neutron capture candidates 10^{-1} 1020Neutron multiplicity



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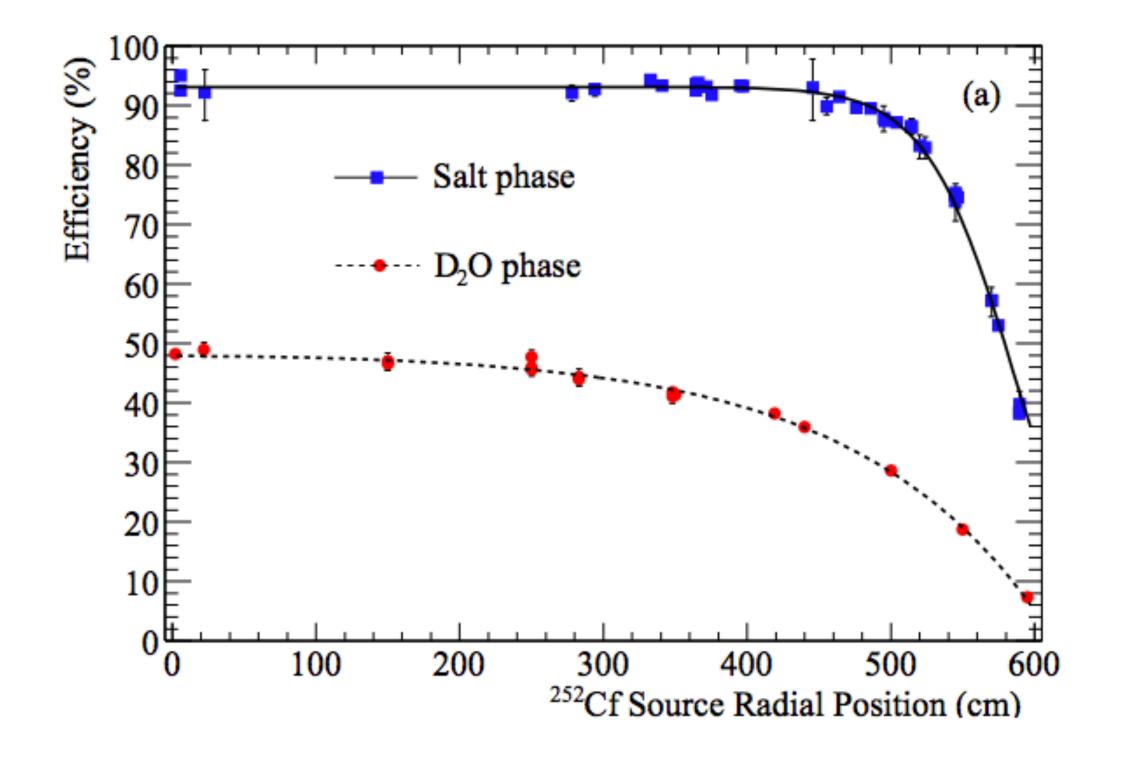
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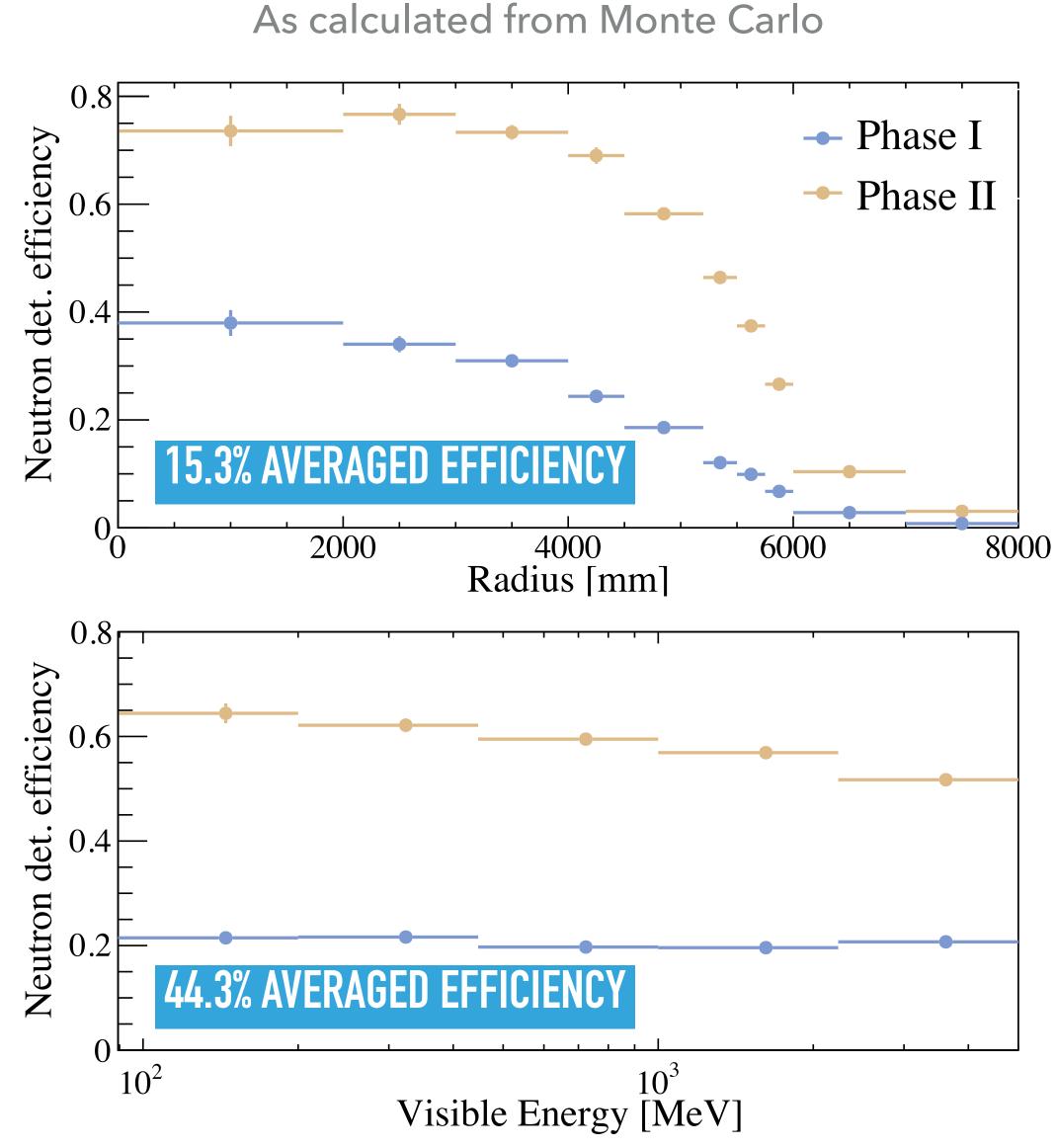
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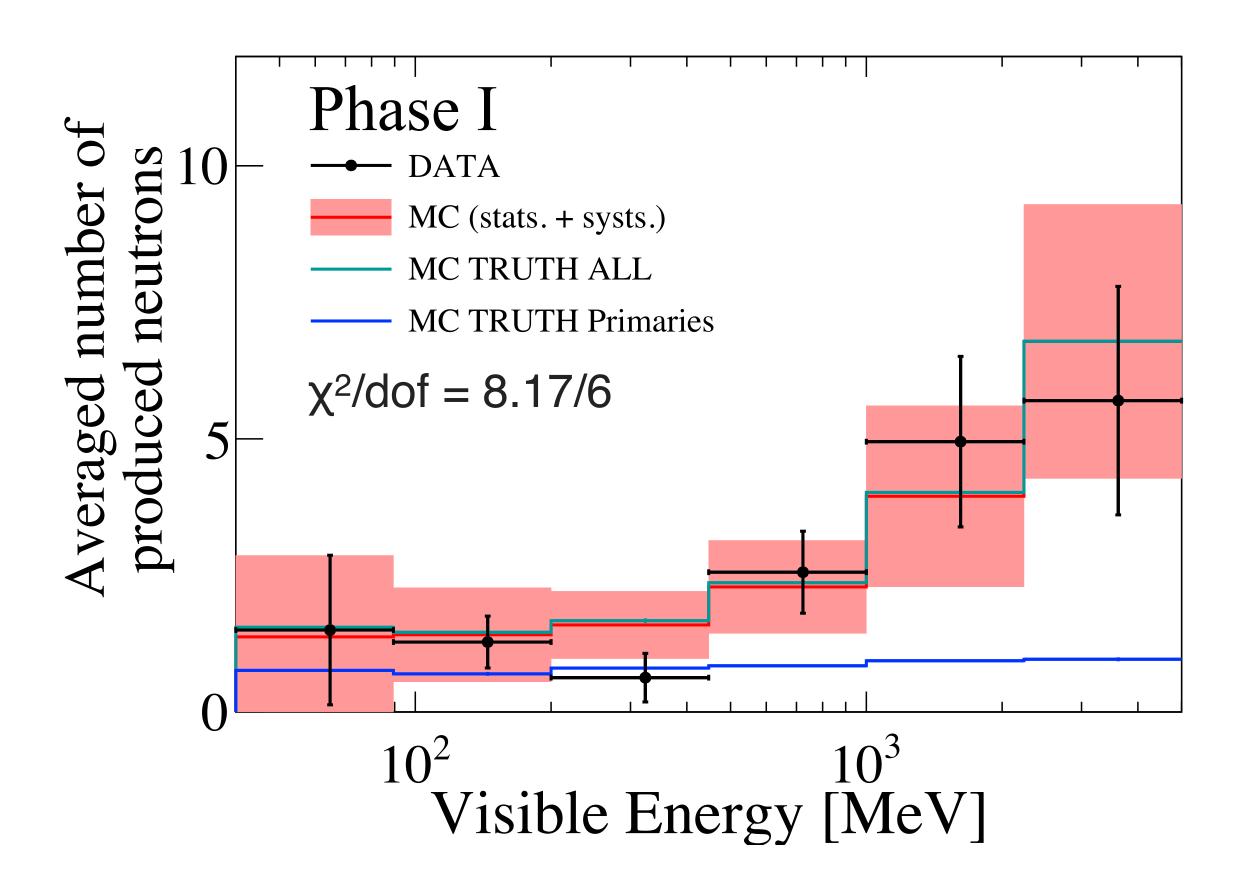


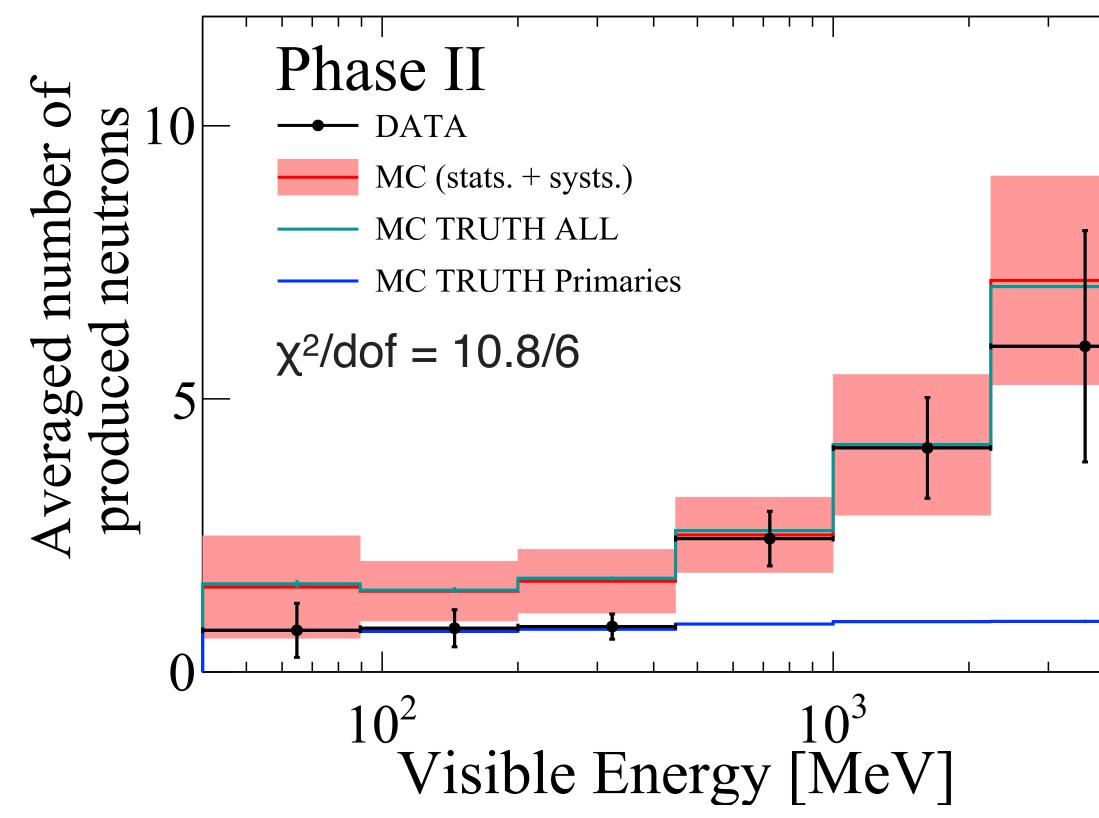






INCLUSIVE RESULTS AND MONTE CARLO COMPARISON





*Visible Energy = electron-equivalent energy

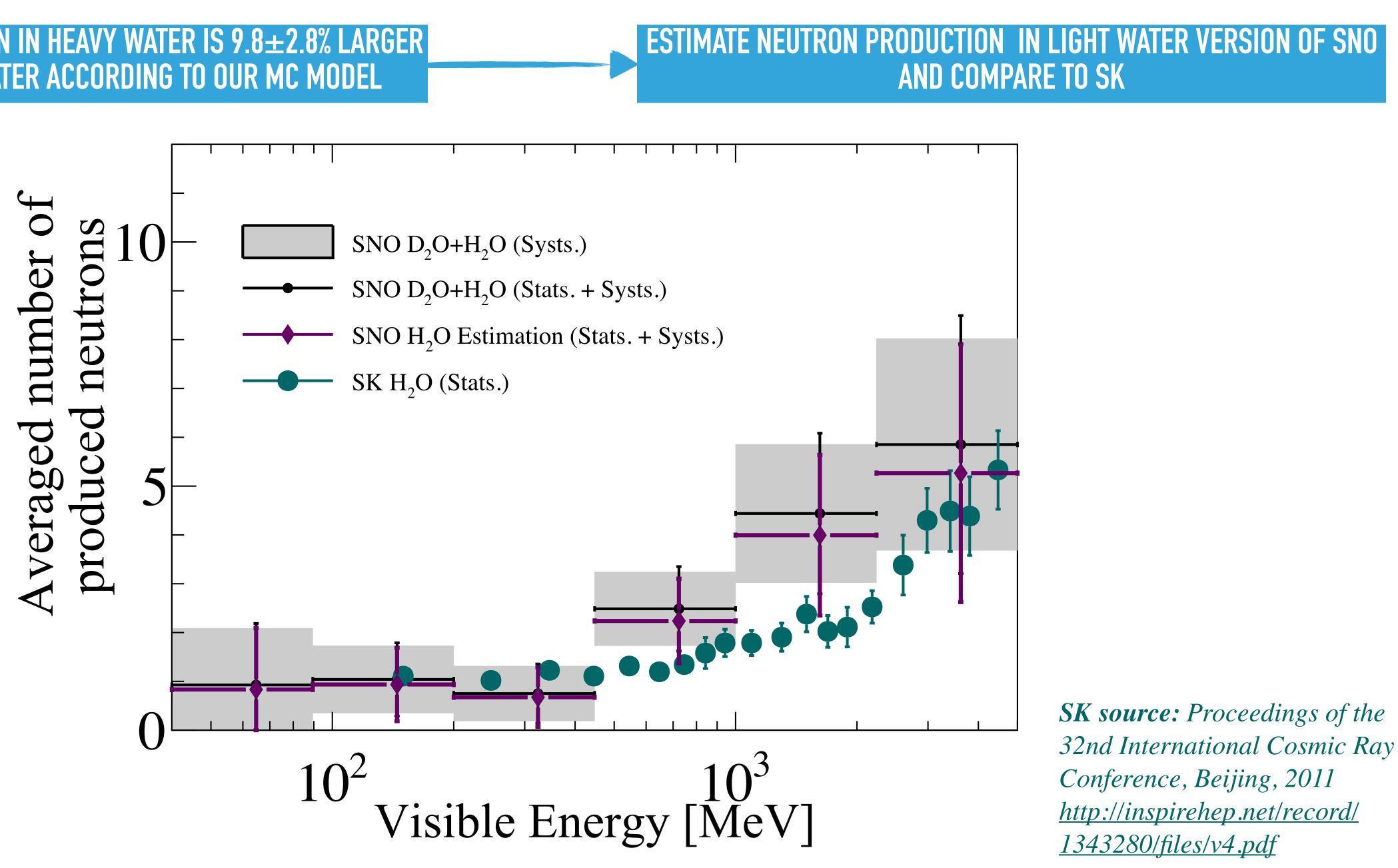




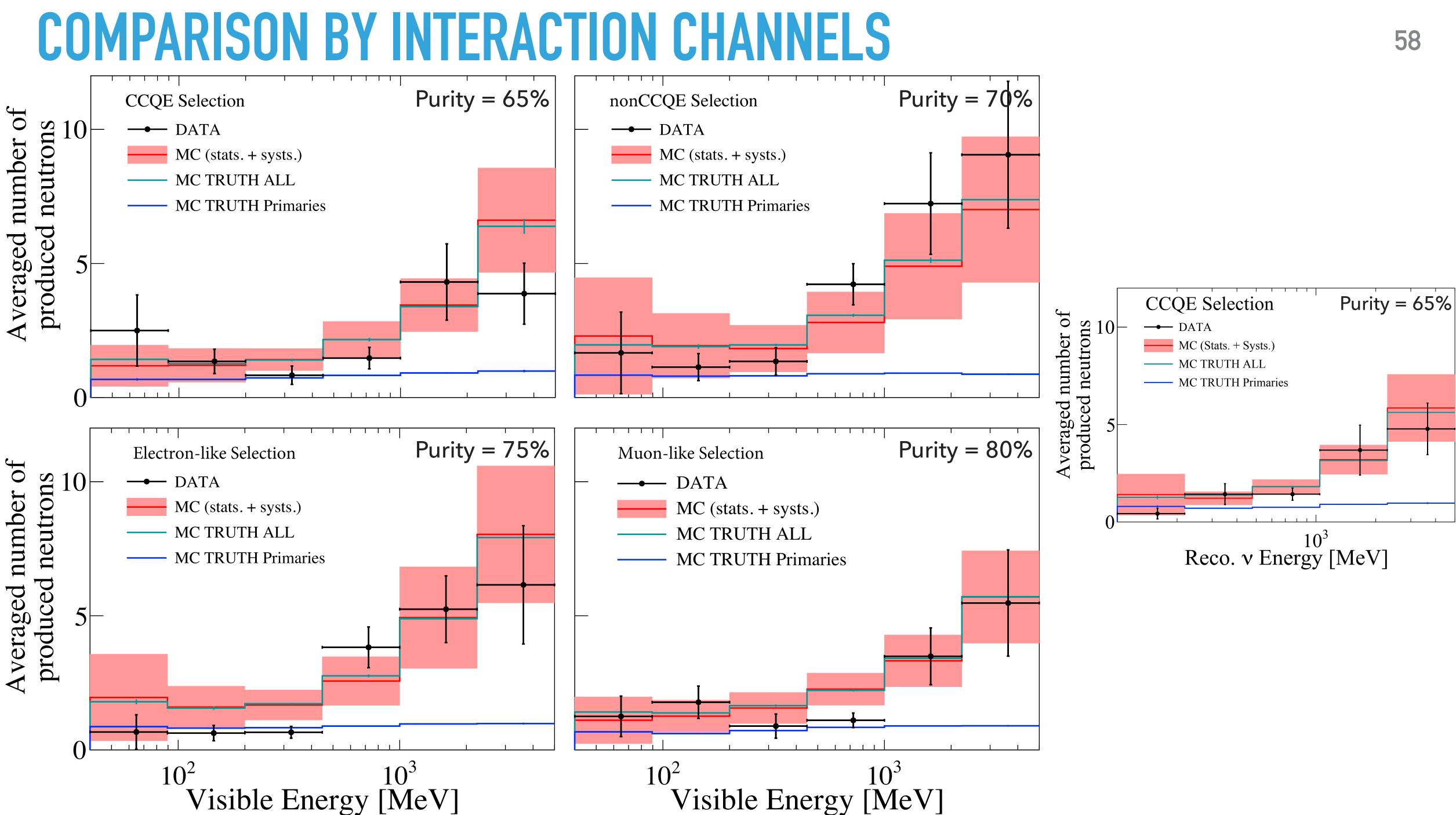


SNO/SK COMPARISON

NEUTRON PRODUCTION IN HEAVY WATER IS $9.8 \pm 2.8\%$ LARGER THAN IN LIGHT WATER ACCORDING TO OUR MC MODEL



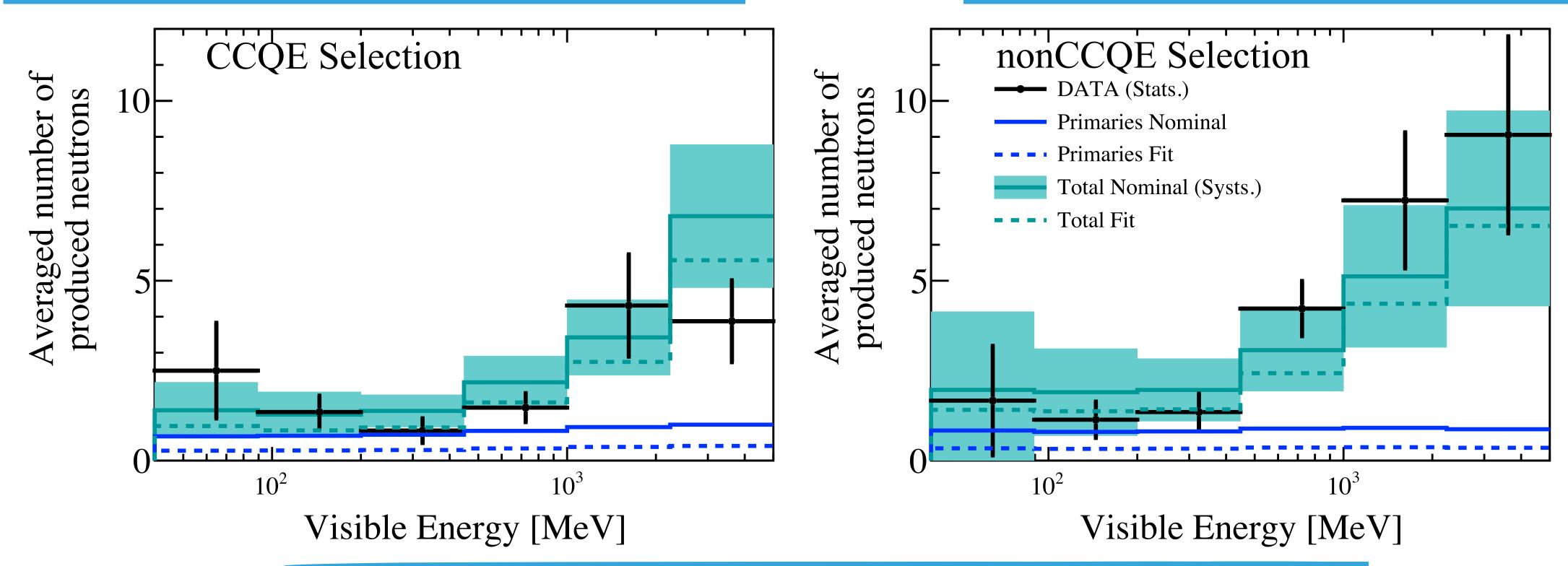






PRIMARY/SECONDARY NEUTRONS FIT

PRIMARY/SECONDARY NEUTRON COMPONENTS ARE DIFFERENT FOR CCQE AND NON-CCQE INTERACTIONS



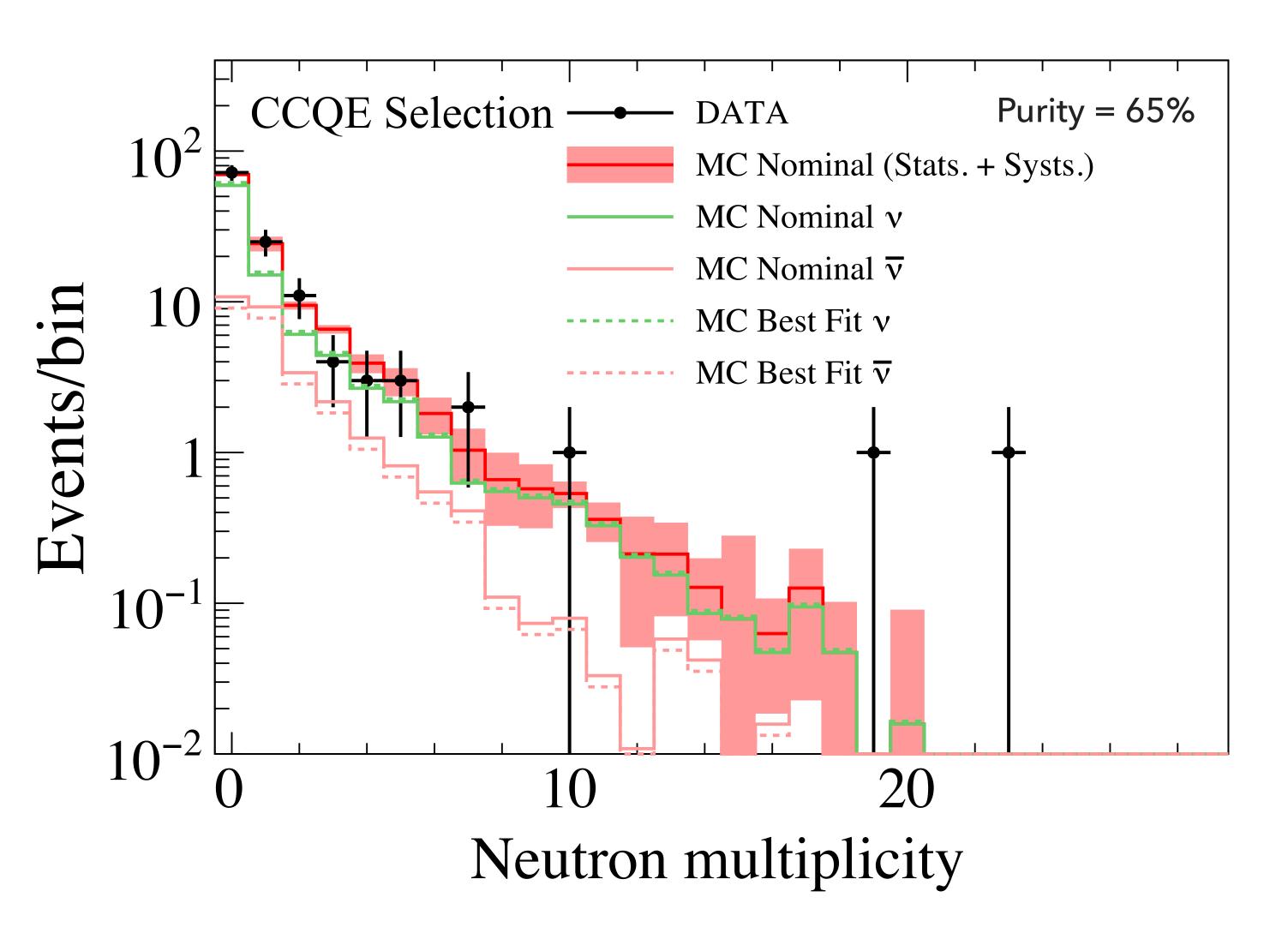
- Primary neutrons: Best fit MC/Nominal MC = 0.41 \pm 0.50 - Secondary neutrons: Best fit MC/Nominal MC = 0.95 \pm 0.25 - χ^2 /dof = 14.4/12

HELP DISENTANGLING DIFFERENT NEUTRON ORIGIN THROUGH SHAPE LIKELIHOOD FIT

Best fit

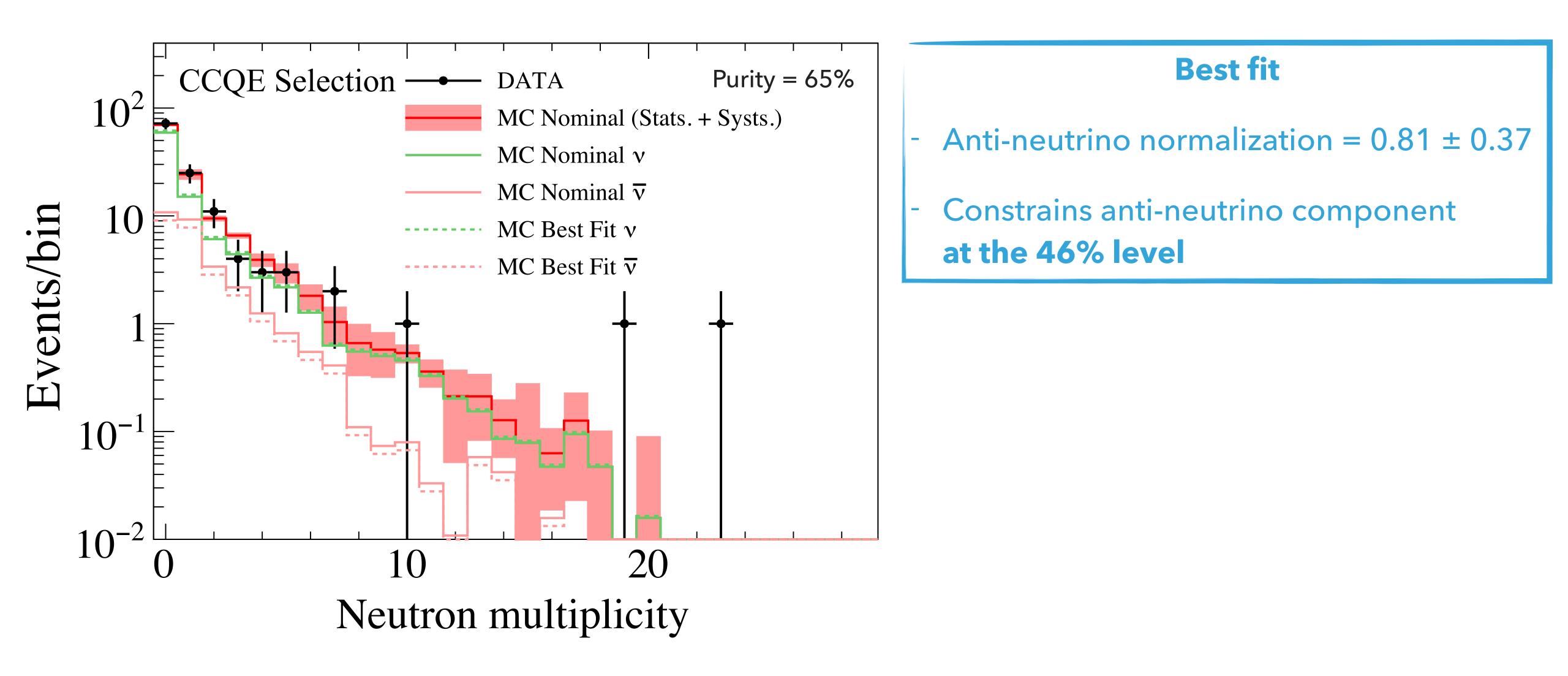


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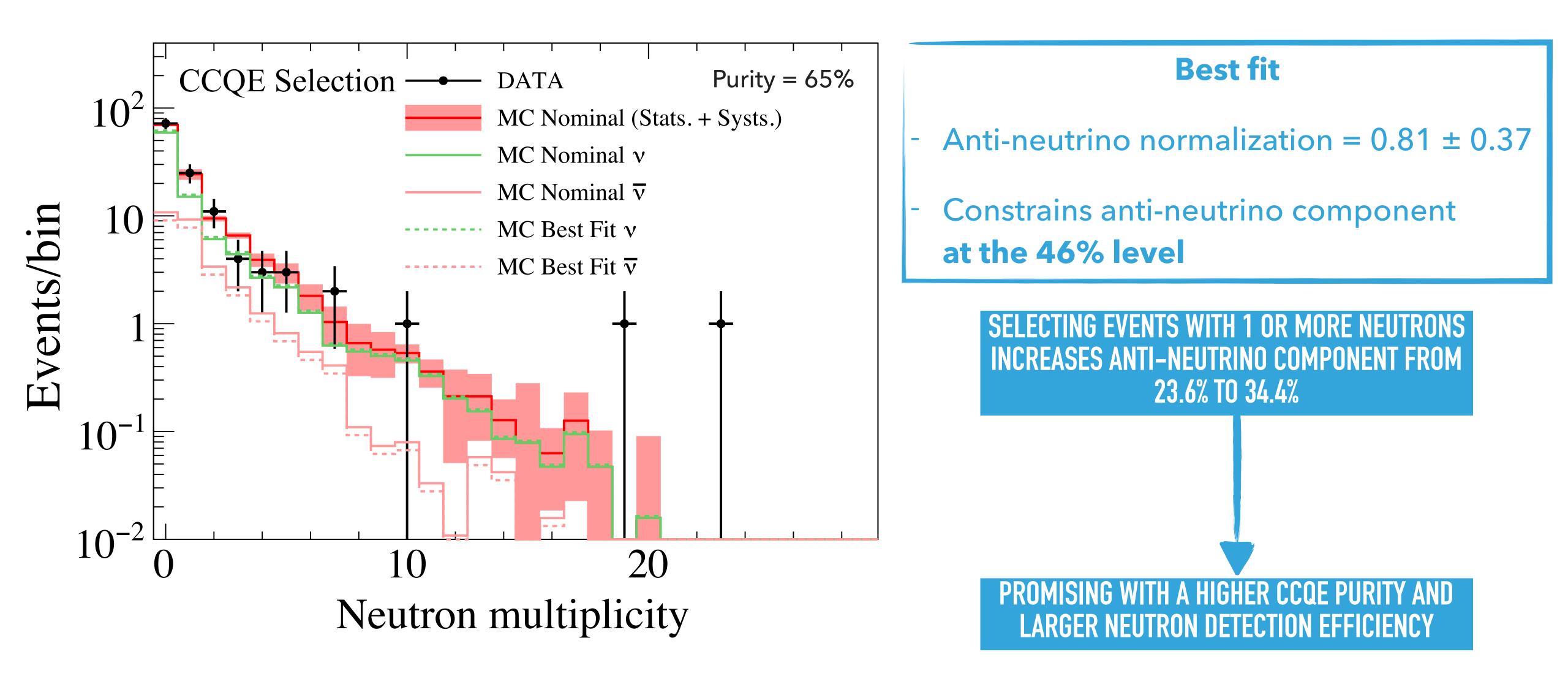


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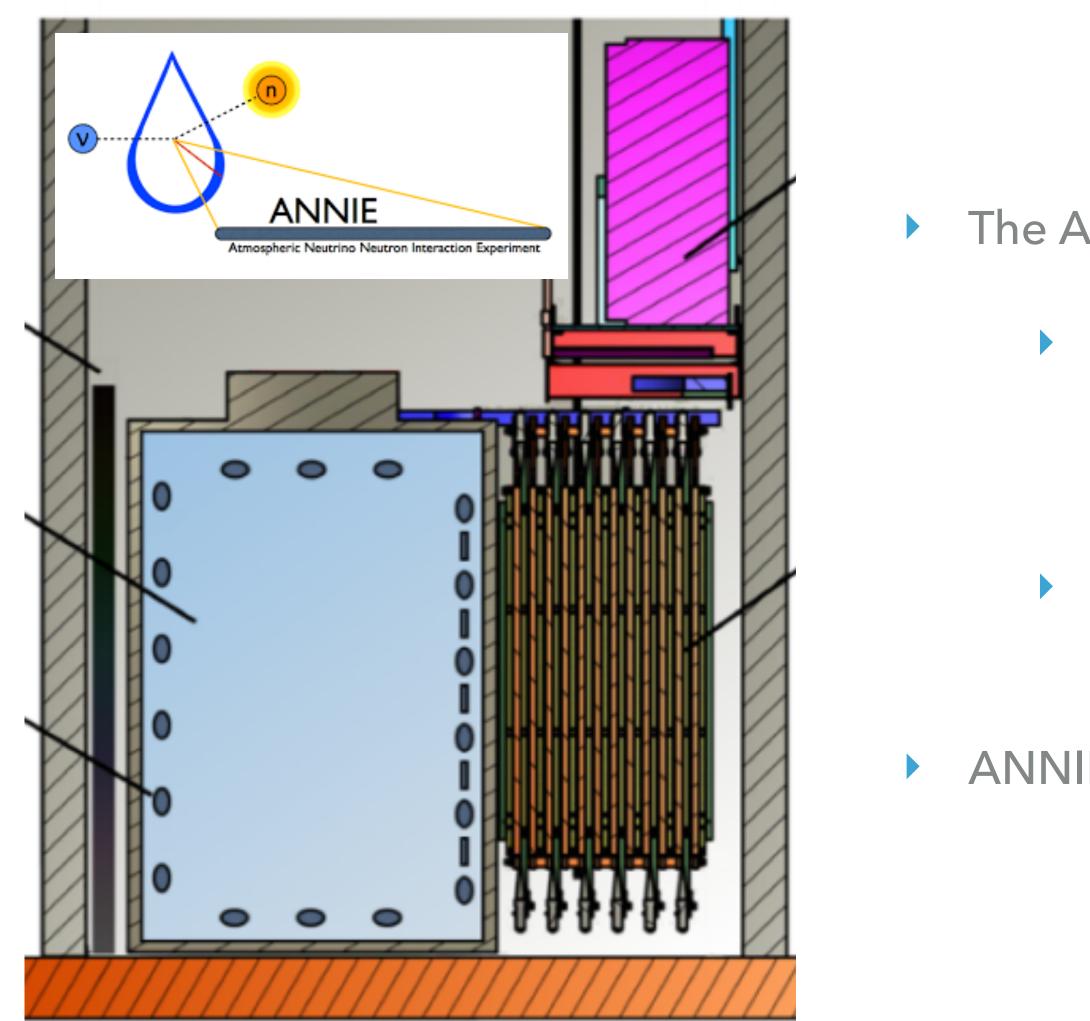


NEUTRINO/ANTI-NEUTRINO SEPARATION





ANNIE WILL MEASURE NEUTRON PRODUCTION FROM BEAM NEUTRINO INTERACTIONS AS A FUNCTION OF KINEMATICS

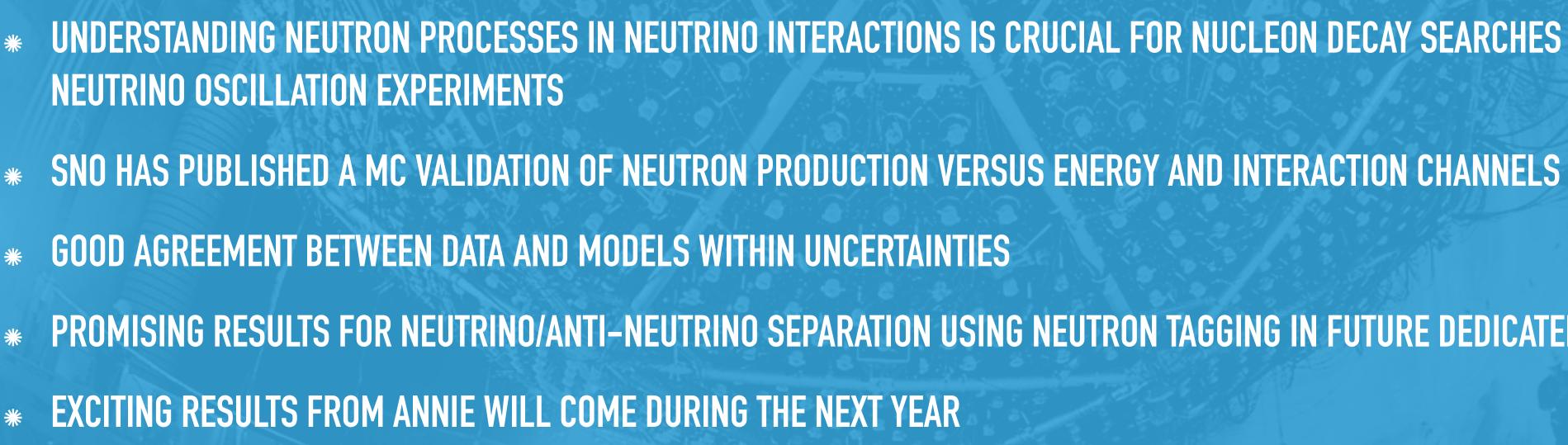


The ANNIE approach:

- Water Cherenkov detector deployed in a neutrino beam (FERMILAB) → Provides fixed neutrino direction, enabling calculation of kinematic variables
- First physics use of Gd-doped water → Excellent neutron detection efficiency
- ANNIE will provide a calibration of neutron processes









- UNDERSTANDING NEUTRON PROCESSES IN NEUTRINO INTERACTIONS IS CRUCIAL FOR NUCLEON DECAY SEARCHES AND FUTURE
- PROMISING RESULTS FOR NEUTRINO/ANTI-NEUTRINO SEPARATION USING NEUTRON TAGGING IN FUTURE DEDICATED DETECTORS





OTHER RECENT SNO ANALYSES

NEUTRON PRODUCTION IN ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINOINTERACTIONSPHYS. REV. D 99, 112

NEUTRON PRODUCTION BY COSMIC MUONS

NEUTRINO DECAY SEARCH

PHYS. REV. D 99, 0320

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LORENTZ VIOLATION SEARCH PHYS. REV. D 98, 112013

SOLAR HEP NEUTRINO SEARCH

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BACKUP



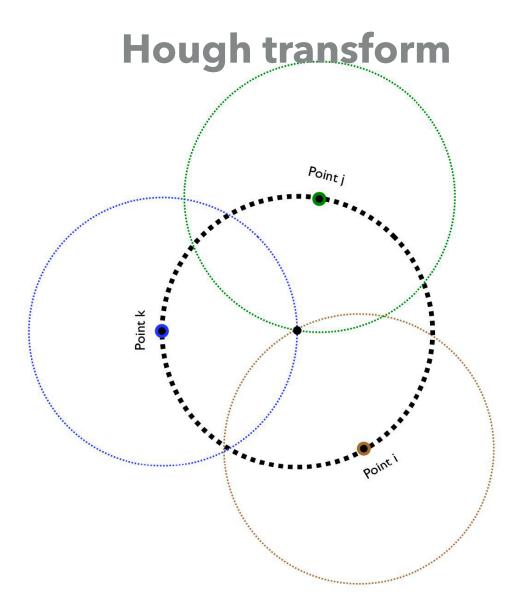
RING FITTER ALGORITHM

- 1. Seed determination:
 - 1. Hough transform → Direction seed
 - 2. SNO+ water fitter → Position seed
 - 3. Total number of PE \rightarrow Energy seed
- 2. Precise event position and direction \rightarrow Likelihood fit under the single ring hypothesis

$$\mathcal{L}(\vec{x}) = \prod_{i}^{hit} P_i^{hit}(q_i, t_i(\vec{r}) | \lambda_i(\vec{x})) \prod_{j}^{unhit} e^{-\lambda_j(\vec{x})}$$

- 3. Particle identification \rightarrow Perform likelihood fit under electron and muon hypothesis and calculate ΔL
- 4. Visible energy reconstruction → Use fit position and total number of PE to get energy from MC lookup tables
- 5. Ring multiplicity → Subtract main ring and redo Hough transform

$$\sum_{n_i > 0} q_i \times P_N$$

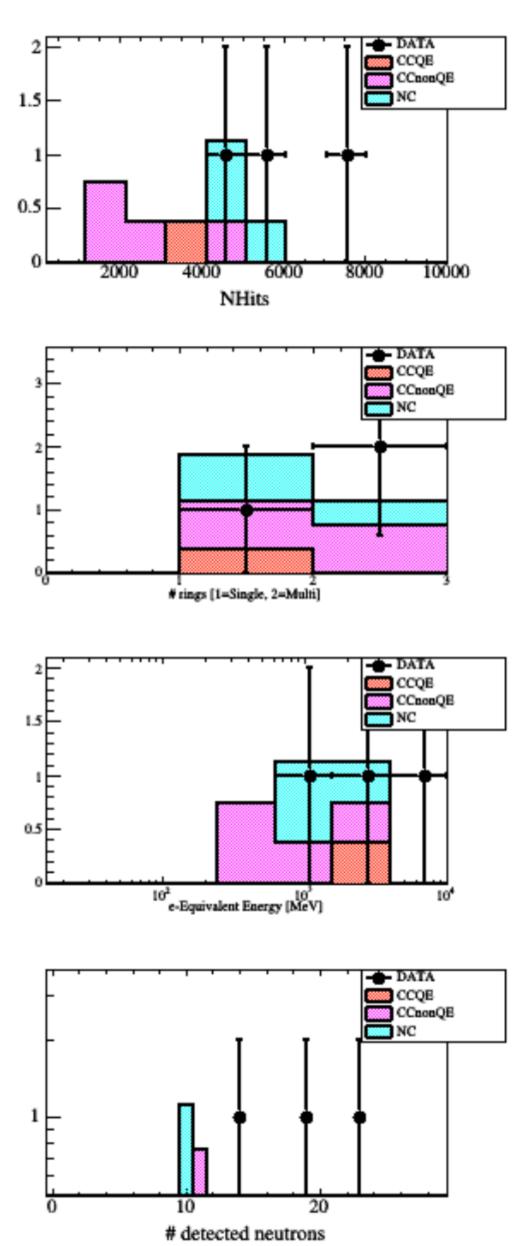


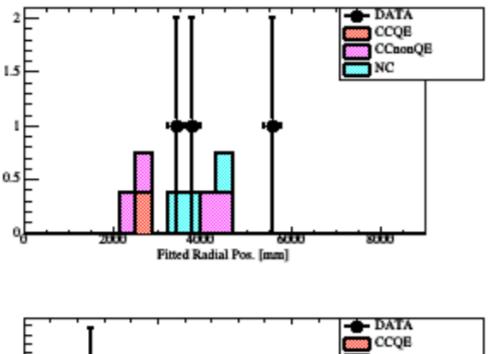
If it under the single ring hypothesis $P_i^{hit}(q_i, t_i(\vec{r})|\lambda_i) = \sum_{n_i} P_N(n_i|\lambda_i) \times P_Q(q_i|n_i)$ $\times P_T(t_i(\vec{r})|n_i)$

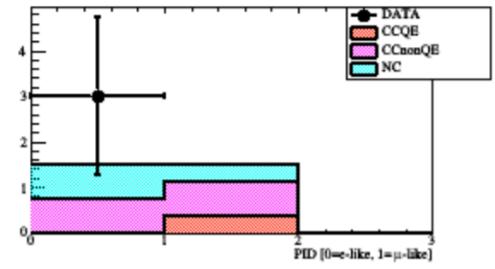
 $N(n_i|\lambda_i) \times P_Q(q_i|n_i)$

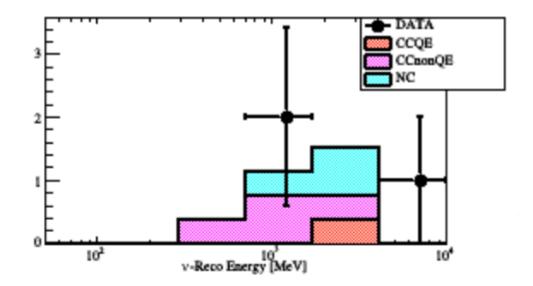
OUTLIERS

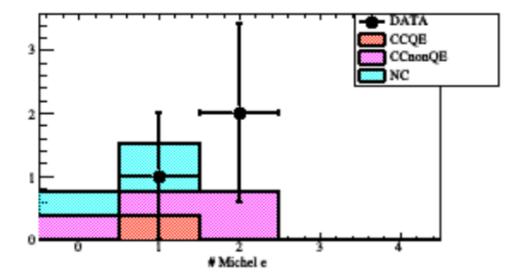
Events with more than 10 neutrons

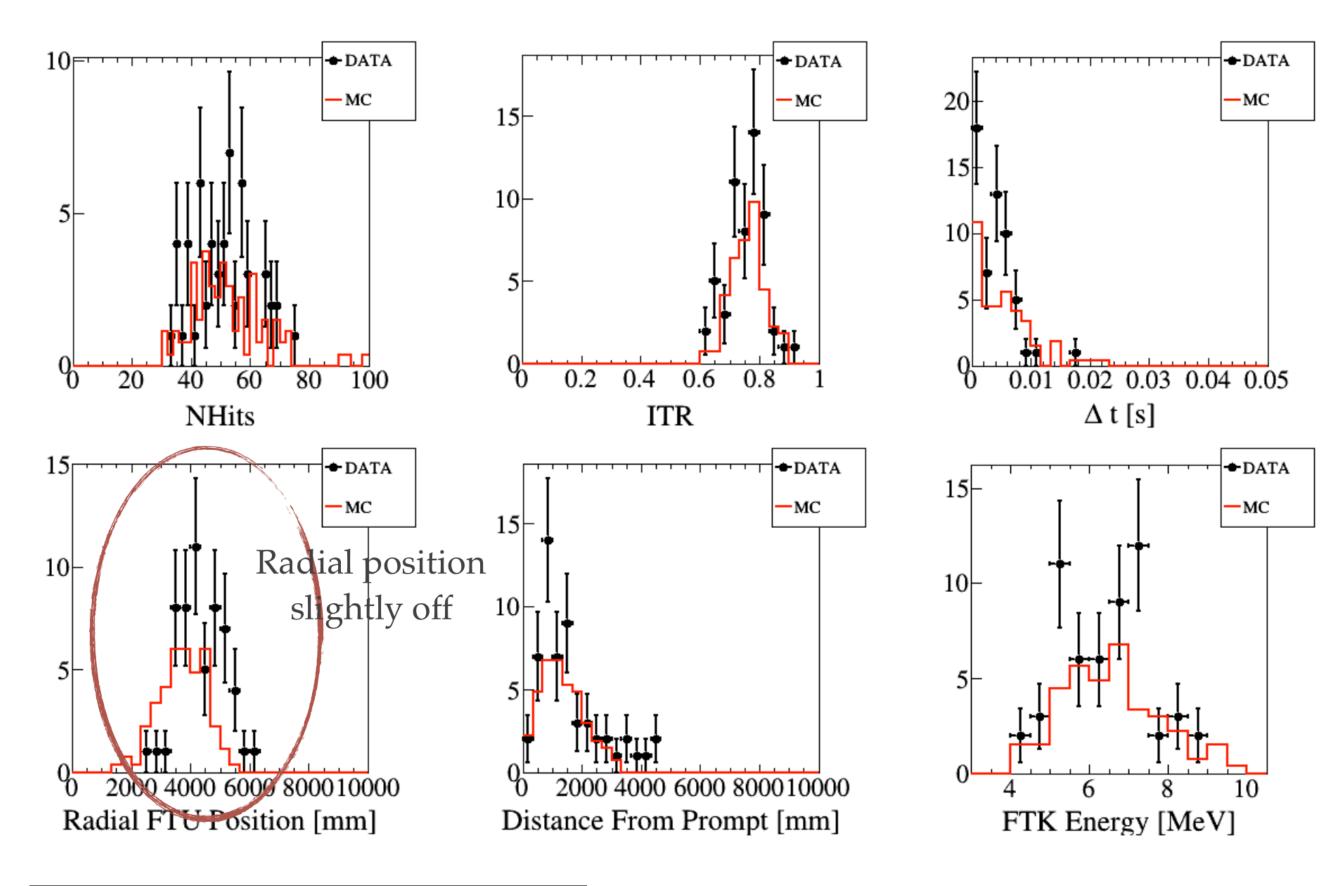


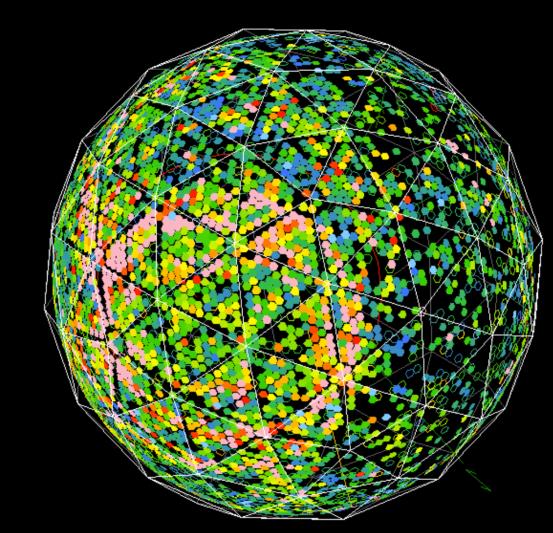










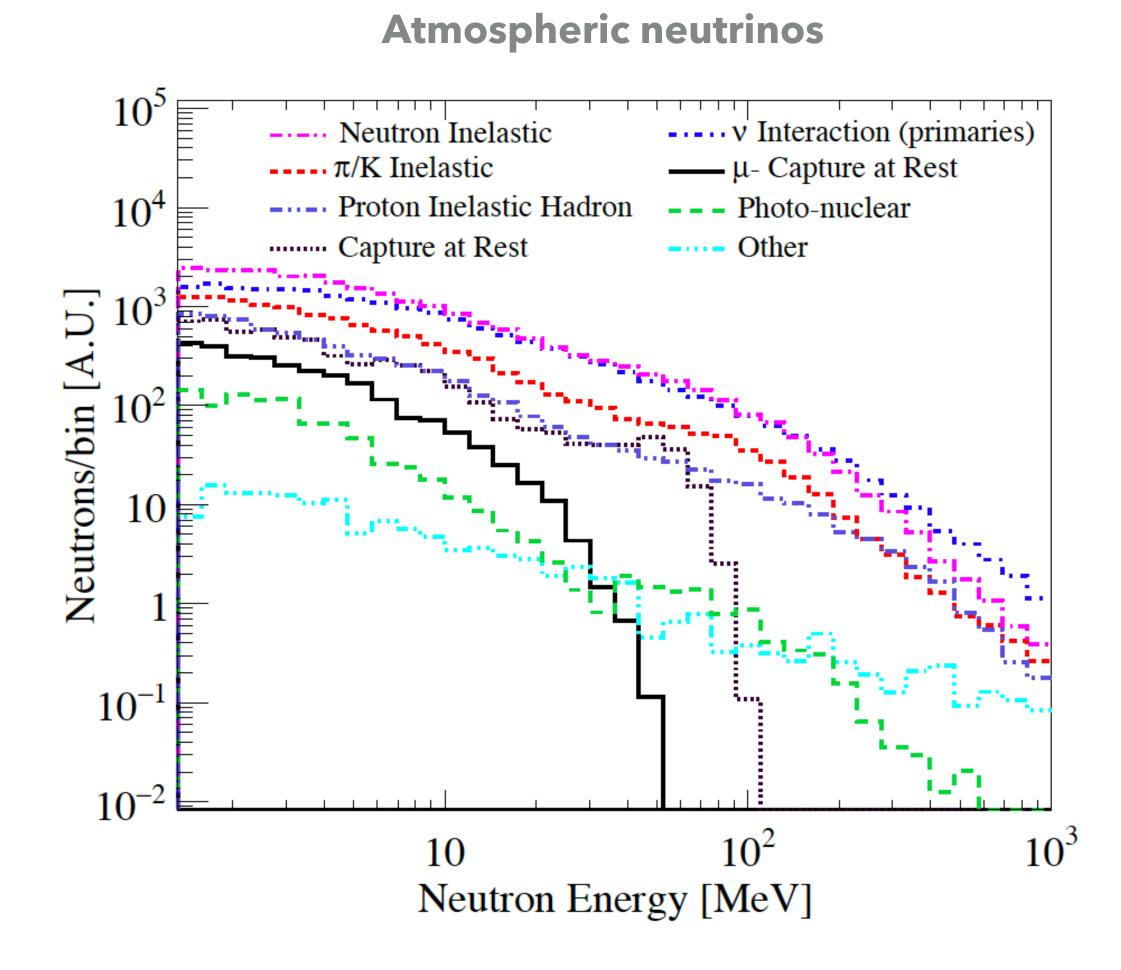


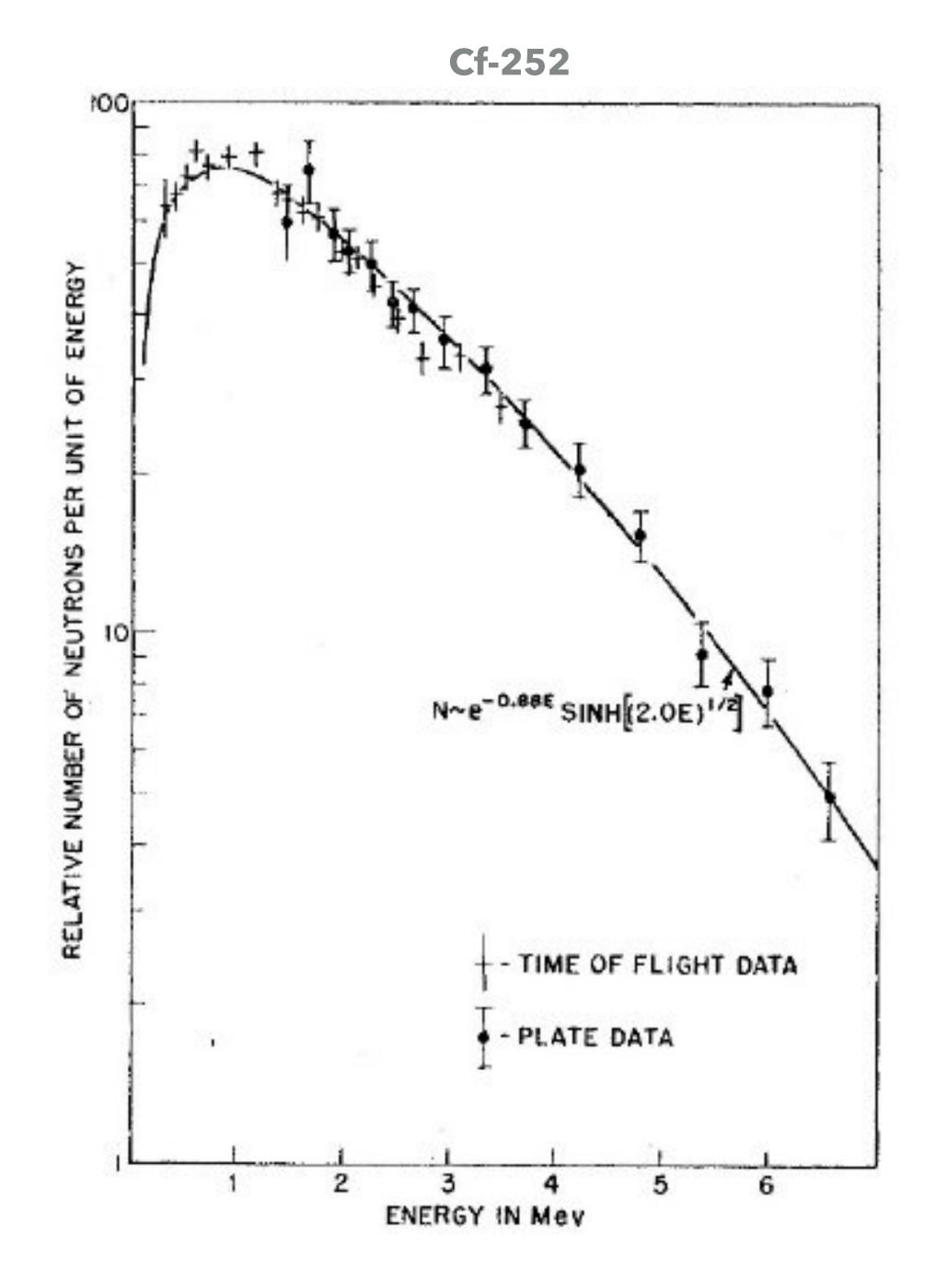
All of them are multi-ring events

The external veto was definitely working for those runs

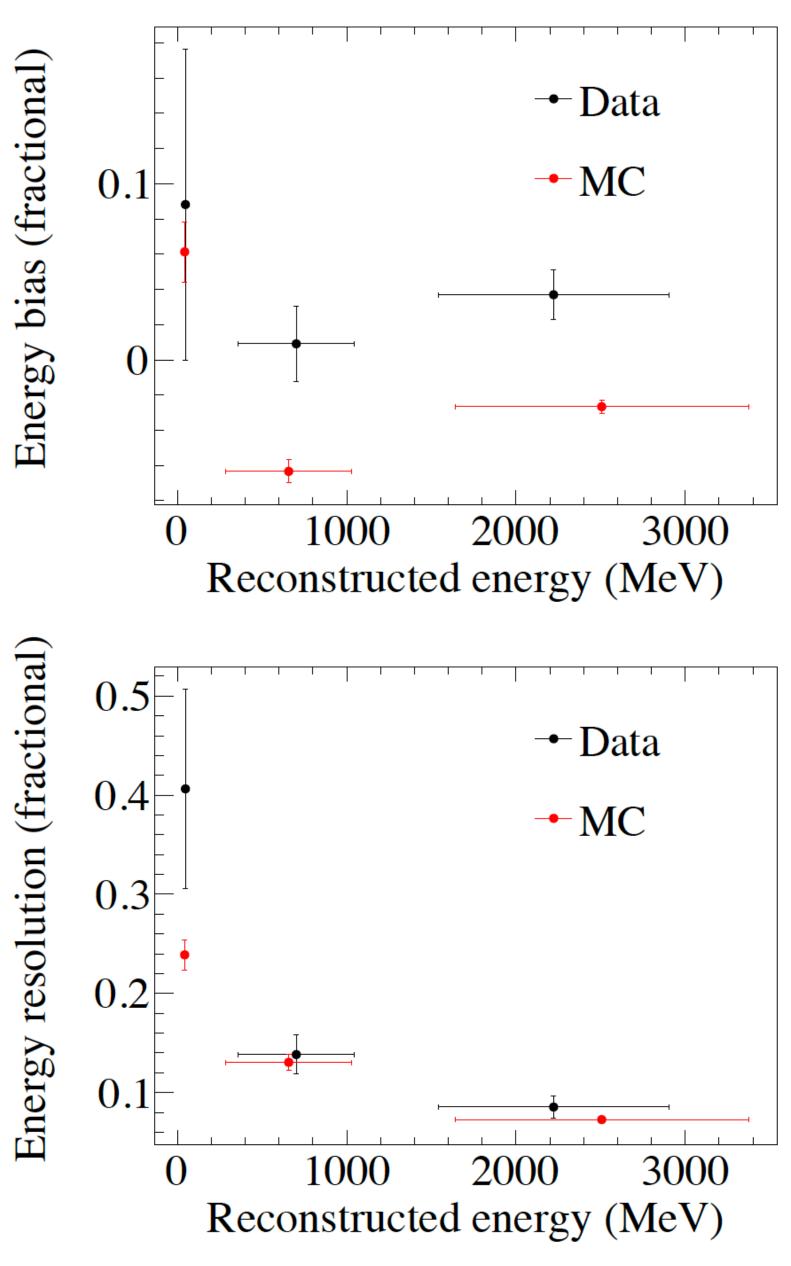


NEUTRON ENERGY DISTRIBUTIONS



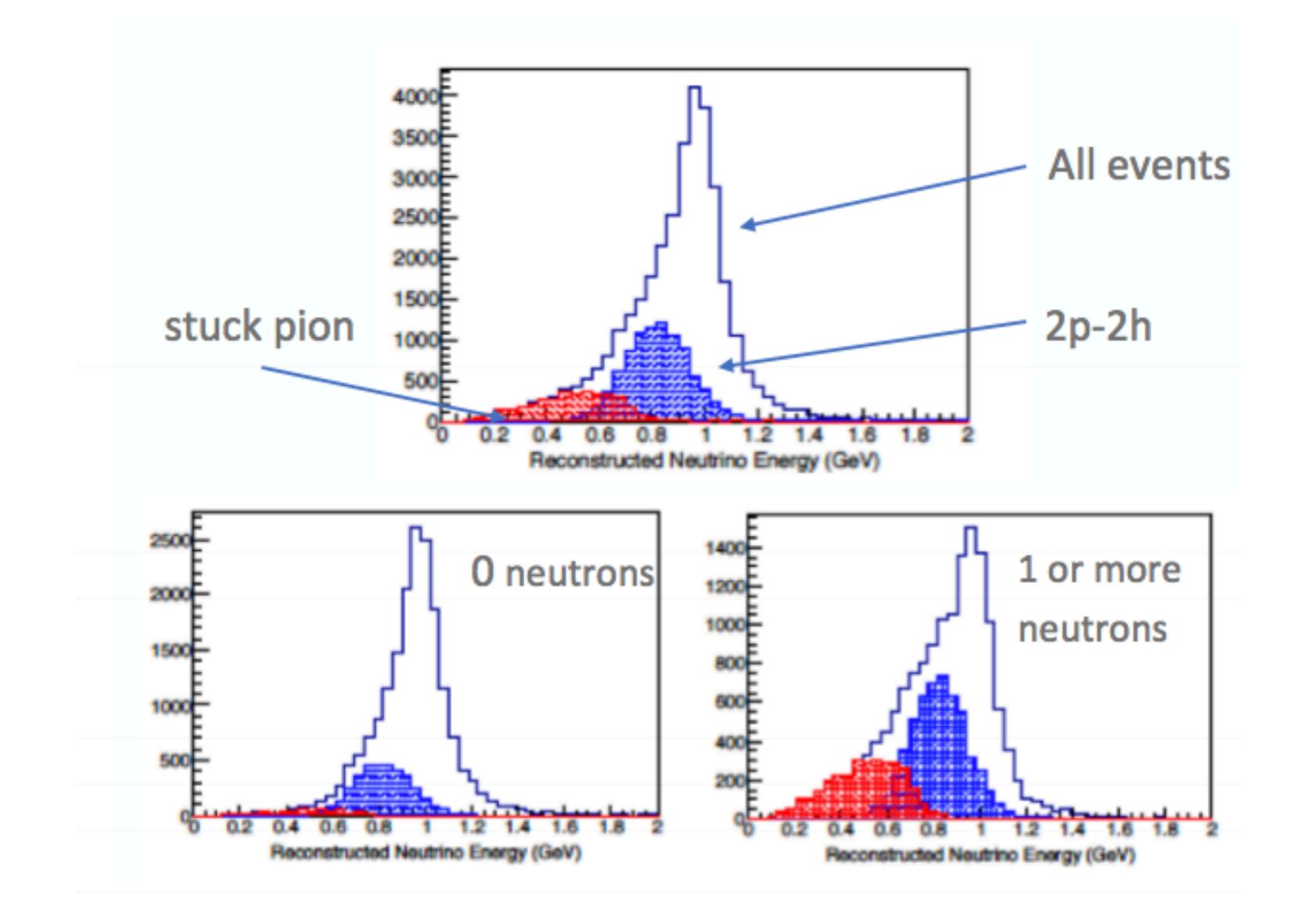


ENERGY SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES



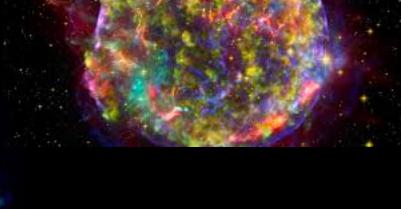
Energy bias (fractional)

IMPROVEMENT OF ENERGY RESOLUTION





NEUTRON TAGGING CAN HELP DETECTING ANTI-NUE Through inverse beta decay process

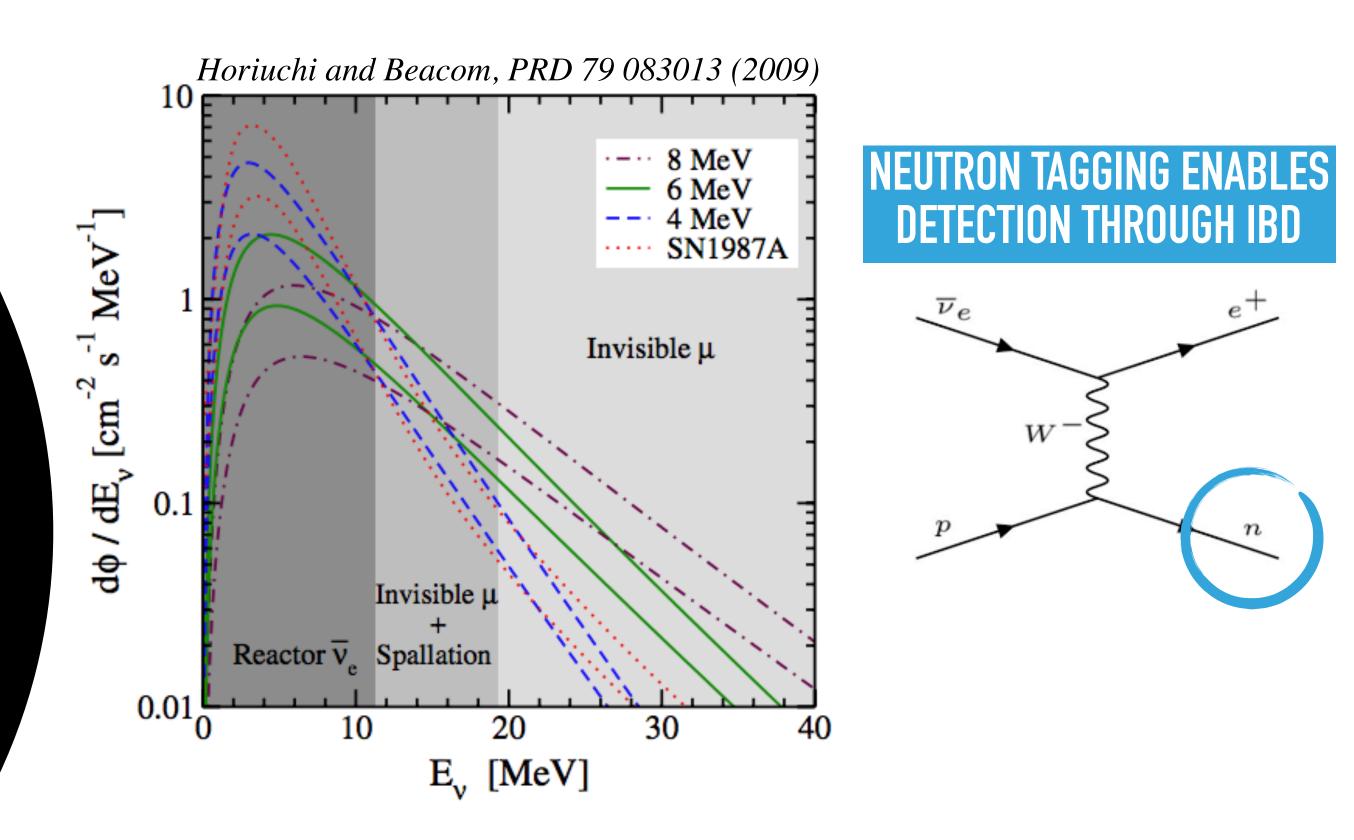






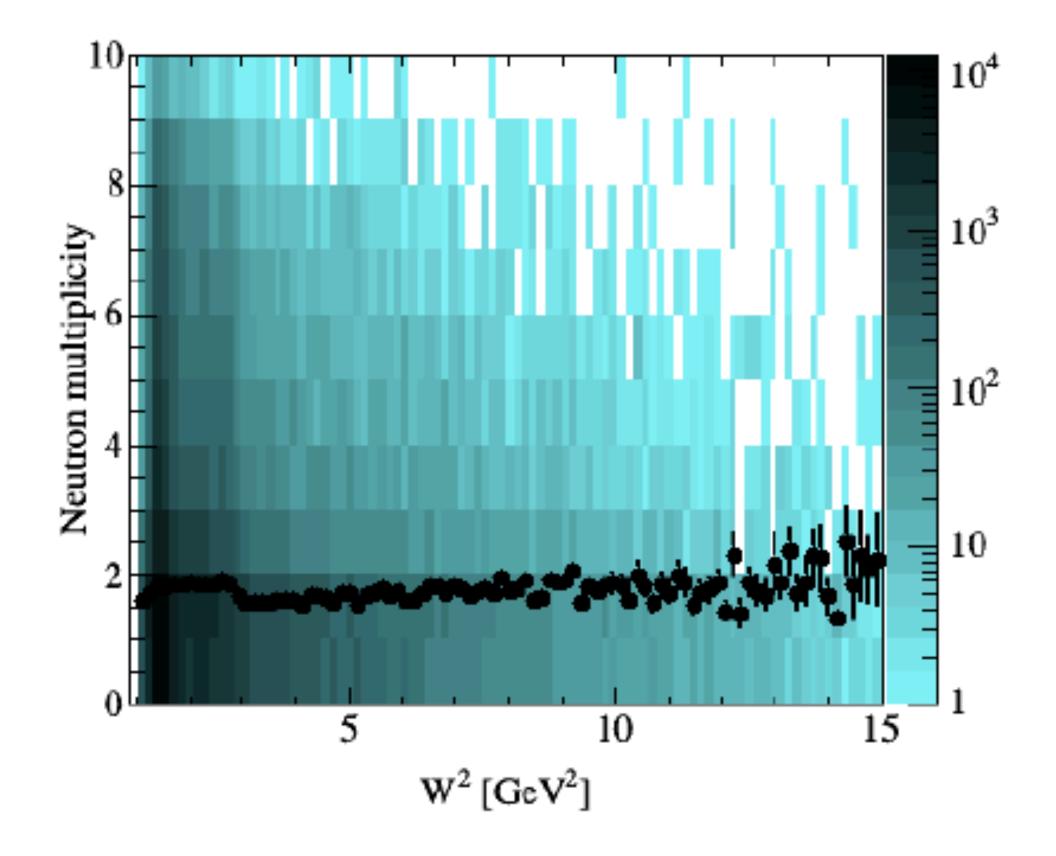




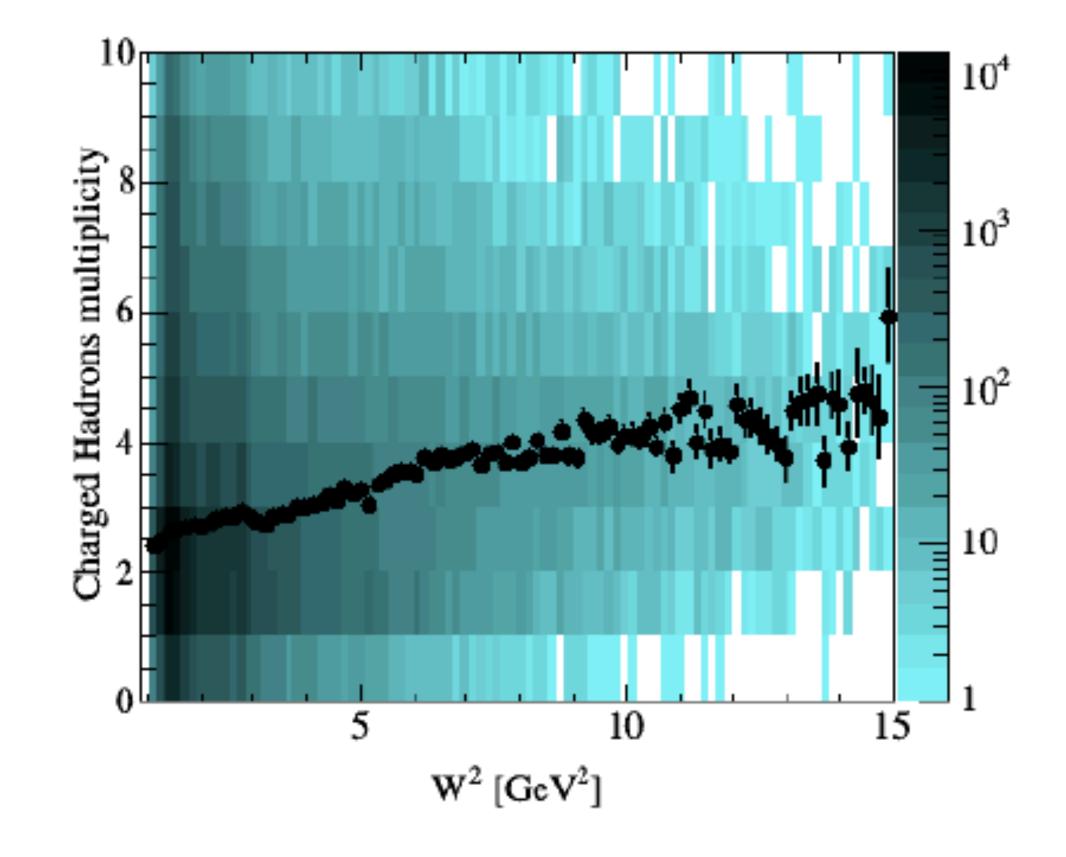




HADRON MULTIPLICITY VS W²



While charged hadron production increases with energy [*Eur.Phys.J.C63:1-10,2009*] that's not the case of neutron production, according to the GENIE hadronization model.





ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINO SELECTION SUMMARY

Mode	Quality cuts	CCQE selection	Non-CCQE selection	Electronlike	Muonlike
No. events (data)	512	123	208	283	229
CCQES	51.1(0.5)%	64.5(1.2)%	28.7(0.6)%	47.4(0.7)%	55.6(0.8)%
CCRES	22.1(0.3)%	18.0(0.5)%	29.1(0.5)%	20.6(0.4)%	23.9(0.5)%
CCDIS	13.3(0.2)%	9.3(0.4)%	19.9(0.4)%	14.0(0.3)%	12.5(0.3)%
CCOther	0.18(0.02)%	0.15(0.04)%	0.34(0.05)%	0.15(0.03)%	0.21(0.04)%
NCES	0.23(0.03)%	0.20(0.05)%	0.23(0.04)%	0.20(0.03)%	0.26(0.04)%
NCOther	13.1(0.2)%	7.8(0.04)%	21.7(0.4)%	17.7(0.4)%	7.5(0.2)%
ν_e	48.9(0.5)%	50.2(1.0)%	49.4(0.8)%	74.9(0.9)%	17.5(0.4)%
ν_{μ}	47.6(0.5)%	47.7(1.0)%	44.9(0.7)%	20.5(0.4)%	80.5(1.0)%
ν_{τ}^{μ}	3.5(0.1)%	2.1(0.2)%	5.7(0.2)%	4.6(0.2)%	2.1(0.1)%



CROSS-SECTION SYSTEMATICS

GENIE label	Physical parame
	Cı
MaCCQE	CCQE axial mass
MaCCRES	CC and NC resonance axial mass
MaCOHpi	CC and NC coherent pion producti
MvCCRES	CC and NC resonance vector mass
R0COHpi	Nuclear size controlling pion absor
	Rein-Sehgal model
CCQEPauliSupViaKF	CCQE Pauli suppression via change
AhtBY, BhtBY	Higher-twist parameters in Bodek-Y
CV1uBY	GRV98 PDF correction parameter i
CV2uBY	GRV98 PDF correction parameter i
	H
AGKYxF1pi	Pion transverse momentum in AGK
AGKYpT1pi	Pion Feynman x for $N\pi$ states in A
FormZone	Hadron formation zone
	Had
MFP_pi, MFP_N	Pion and nucleon mean free path
FrCEx_pi, FrCEx_N	Pion and nucleon charge exchange
FrAbs_pi, FrAbs_N	Pion and nucleon absorption probal

Nominal value	1σ uncertainty
0.990 GeV	-15% + 25%
1.120 GeV	$\pm 20\%$
1.000 GeV	$\pm 50\%$
0.840 GeV	$\pm 10\%$
1.000 fm	$\pm 10\%$
0.225 GeV	$\pm 35\%$
A = 0.538, B = 0.305	$\pm 25\%$
0.291	$\pm 30\%$
0.189	$\pm 30\%$
See Appendix C of I	Ref. [9]
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See Appendix C of Ref. [9]	$\pm 50\%$
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SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES SUMMARY

Systematic parameter	$\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainty	1σ fractional effect	Type	
High-energy scale	See Fig. 12	0.7%	Shift	
High-energy resolution			Smearing	
Assumed $\cos\theta$ in E_{ν} reconstruction	See Fig. 5	< 0.1%	Shift	
Particle misidentification	$e = 0 \pm 5\%, \mu = 4 \pm 5\%$	< 0.1%	Shift	
Ring miscounting	$e = 14 \pm 14\%, \ \mu = 11 \pm 9\%$	< 0.1%	Shift	
High-energy radial bias	28 mm	< 0.1%	Shift	
High-energy radial resolution	160 mm		Smearing	
Quality cuts efficiency	1.47%	1.5%	Reweight	
Neutron capture reconstruction	See Sec. VII A 5	< 0.1%	Shift, smearing, & reweight	
Neutron detection efficiency	See Sec. VII A 6	15.9%	Reweight	
Atmospheric neutrino flux	~15%	1.5%	Reweight	
Neutrino interaction model	See Table. IV	12.5%	Reweight	
MC statistical error		1.9%	Reweight	
Total	•••	24.9%		



GEANT4 [RATPAC] — SECONDARY NEUTRONS AND NEUTRON CAPTURES

- Two bugs were found and corrected:
 - corresponds to the energy available for the de-excitation
 - a proton

> De-excitation of ${}^{36}Cl$ and ${}^{17}O$ not properly treated \rightarrow Gammas will be extracted randomly from energy levels spectrum without taking into account branching ratios or that even that total sum of the gammas

Deuteron breakup from gammas won't produce an extra neutron, but just

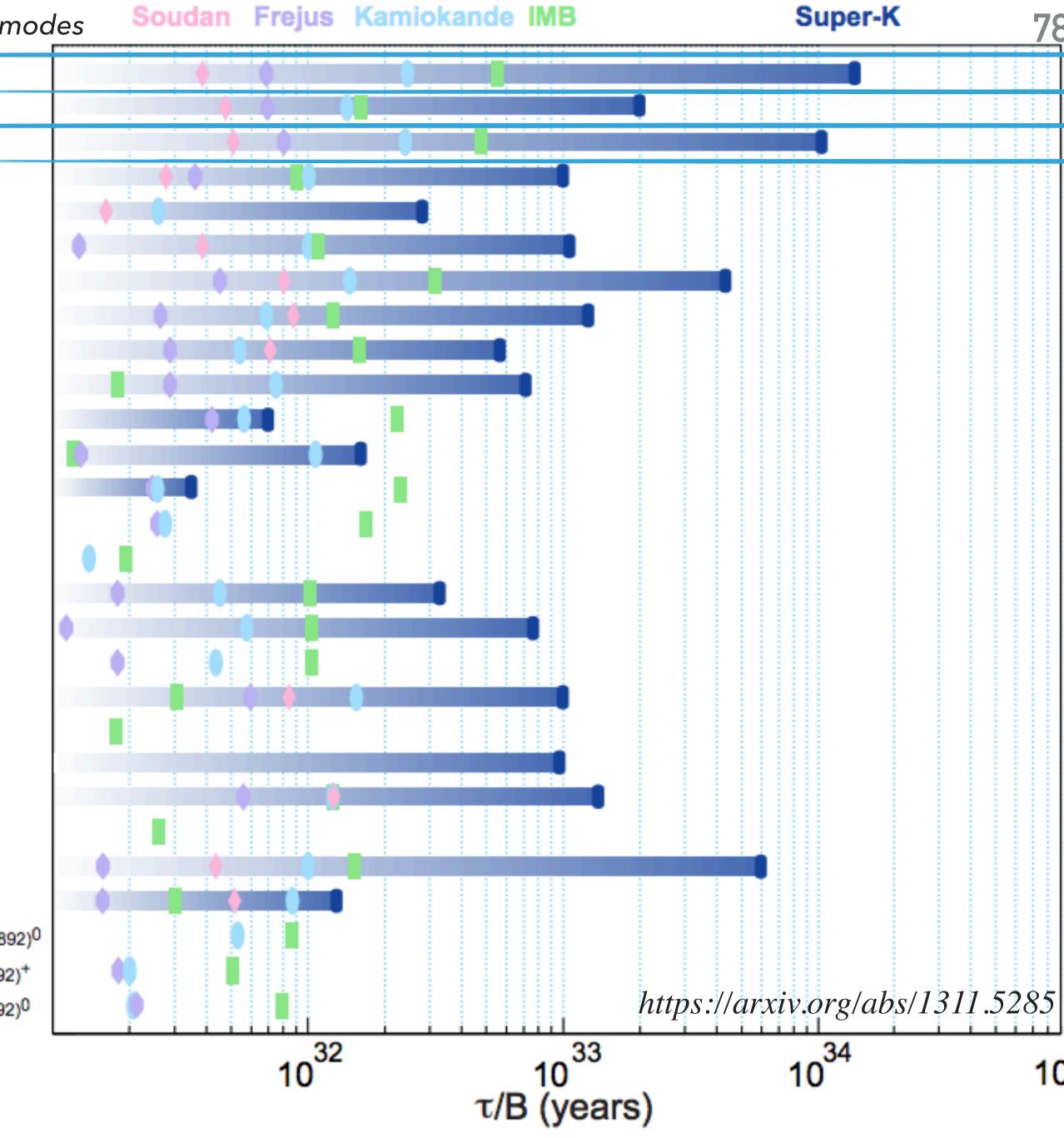




NUCLEON DECAY (ND)

B-L conserving modes

$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$
$n \rightarrow e^+ \pi^-$
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^0$
$n \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^-$
$p \rightarrow v \pi^+$
$n \rightarrow v \pi^0$
$p \rightarrow e^+ \eta$
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \eta$
$n \rightarrow \nu \eta$
$p \rightarrow e^+ \rho^0$
n → e⁺ ρ-
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \rho^0$
n → μ+ ρ-
$p \rightarrow \nu \rho^+$
$n \rightarrow \nu \rho^0$
$p \rightarrow e^+ \omega$
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \omega$
$n \rightarrow v \omega$
p → e ⁺ K ⁰
n → e ⁺ K ⁻
n → e⁻K+
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ K^0$
$n \rightarrow \mu^+ K^-$
$p \rightarrow v K^+$
$n \rightarrow v K^0$
$p \rightarrow e^+ K^*(892)^0$
$p \rightarrow v K^*(892)^+$
n → v K*(892) ⁰





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