

Spallation Background

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Motivation

Spallation is dominant background source in 10-20 MeV region

- Solar neutrino

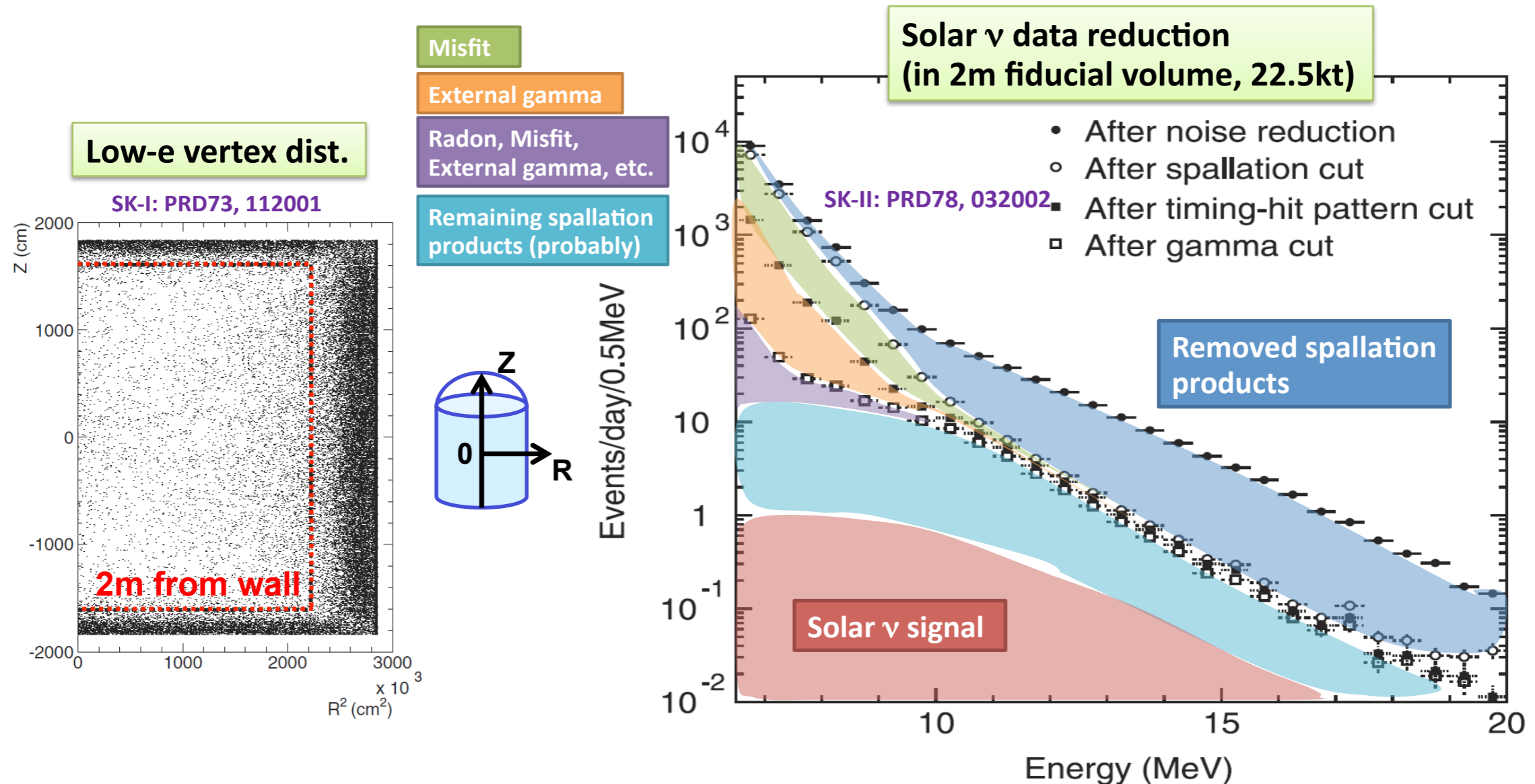
potential to observe spectrum up-turn and day-night asymmetry

→ Y. Koshio's study

- Supernova relic neutrino

measure diffused neutrino flux and energy from supernovae $> \sim \text{Mpc}$

→ T. Yano's study



Re-calculation of Muon Flux

(1) Provided HK position was incorrect and used for muon flux calculation in LOI → update

HK Position	LOI	New
World geographical coordinate system	36°21'20.078" N 137°18'38.798" E	36°21'20.105" N 137°18'49.137" E
Altitude	1096 m	1111 m

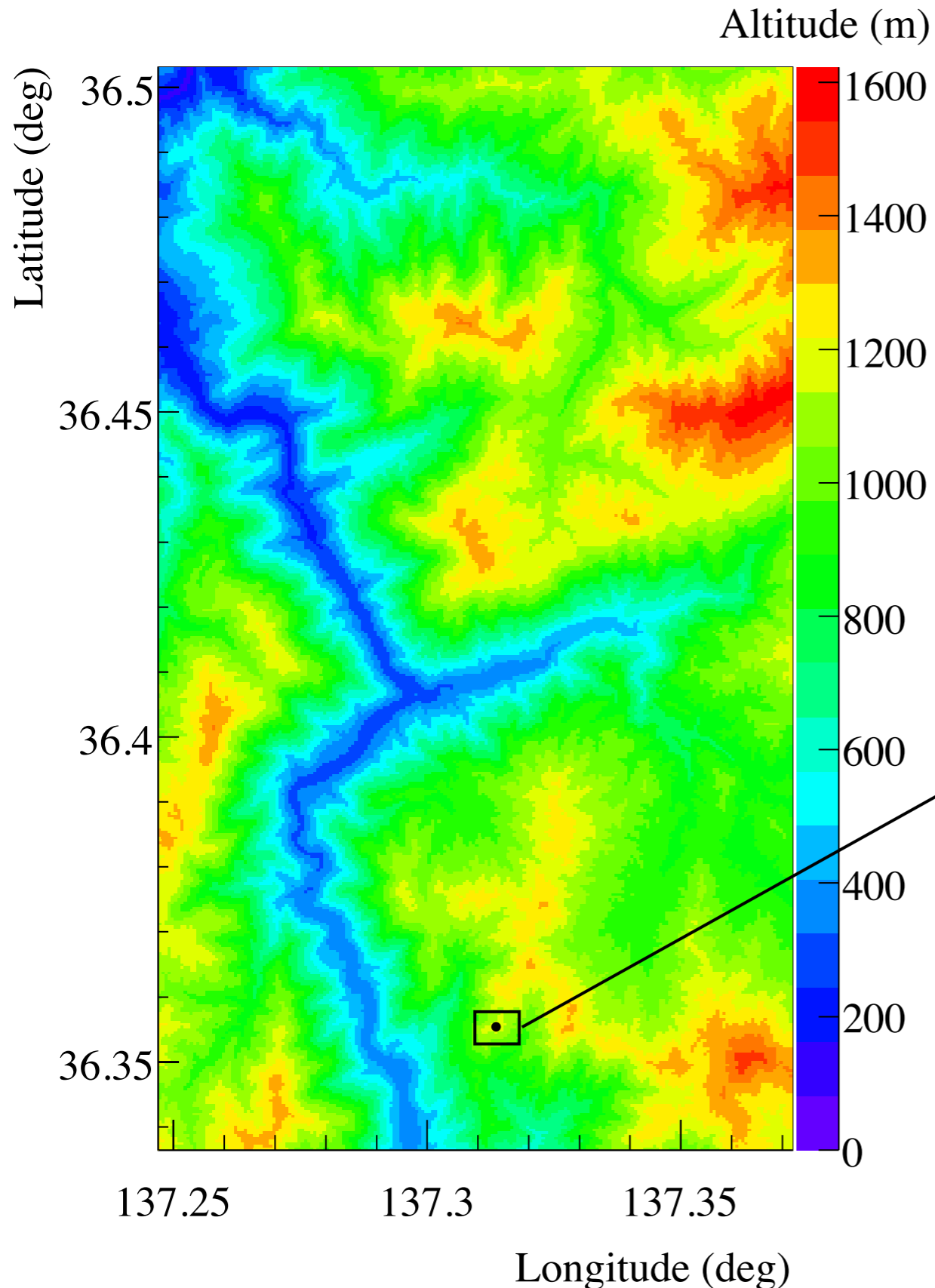
*Altitude of HK is 508 m

(2) Digital Elevation Data was newly provided by Geospatial Information Authority of Japan → update

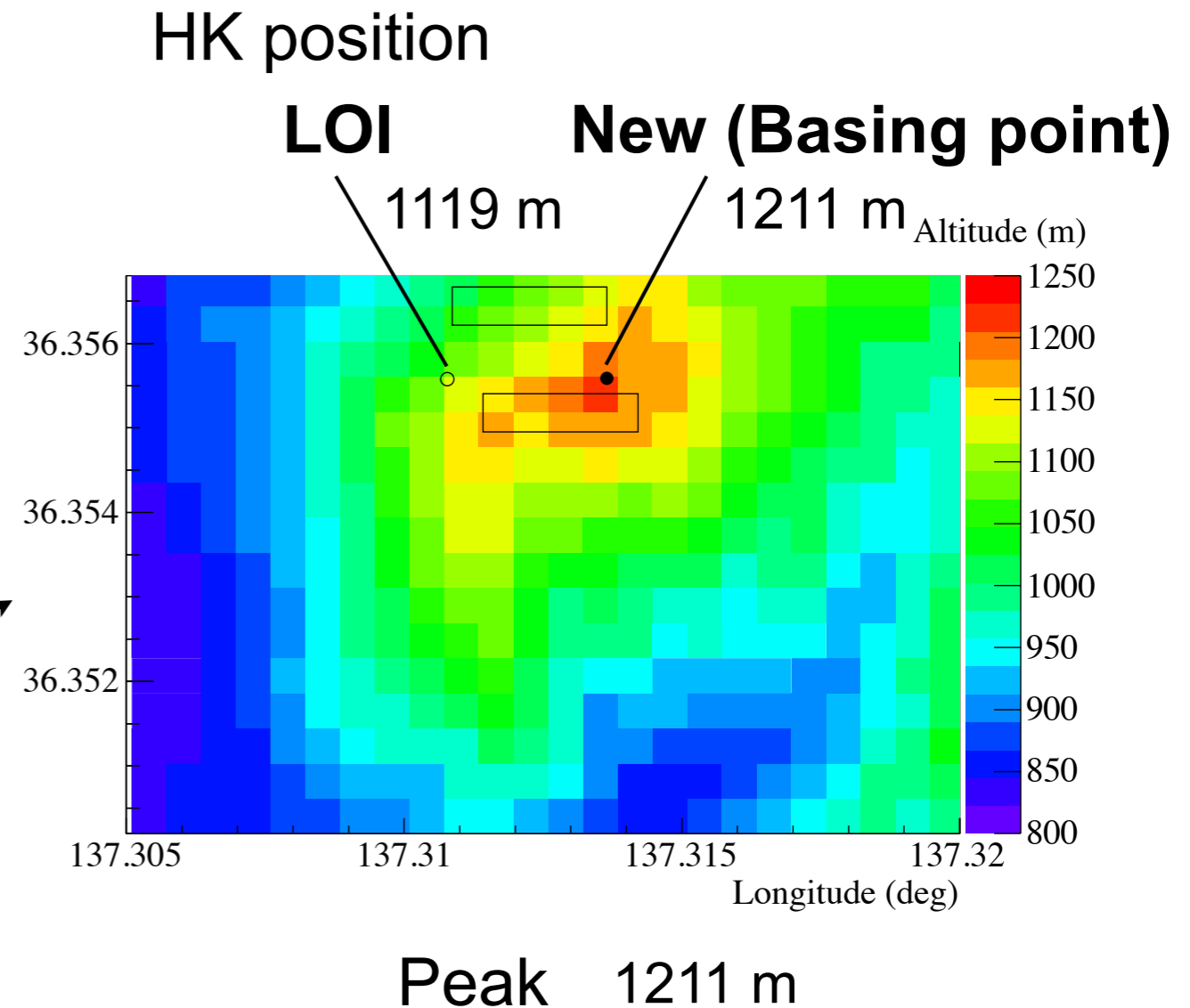
Mountain Shape	LOI	New
Digital Elevation Data	50 m mesh	5 m mesh

*New data has the decrease of peak elevation (~ 100 m) after surface mining

Digital Elevation Data around HK

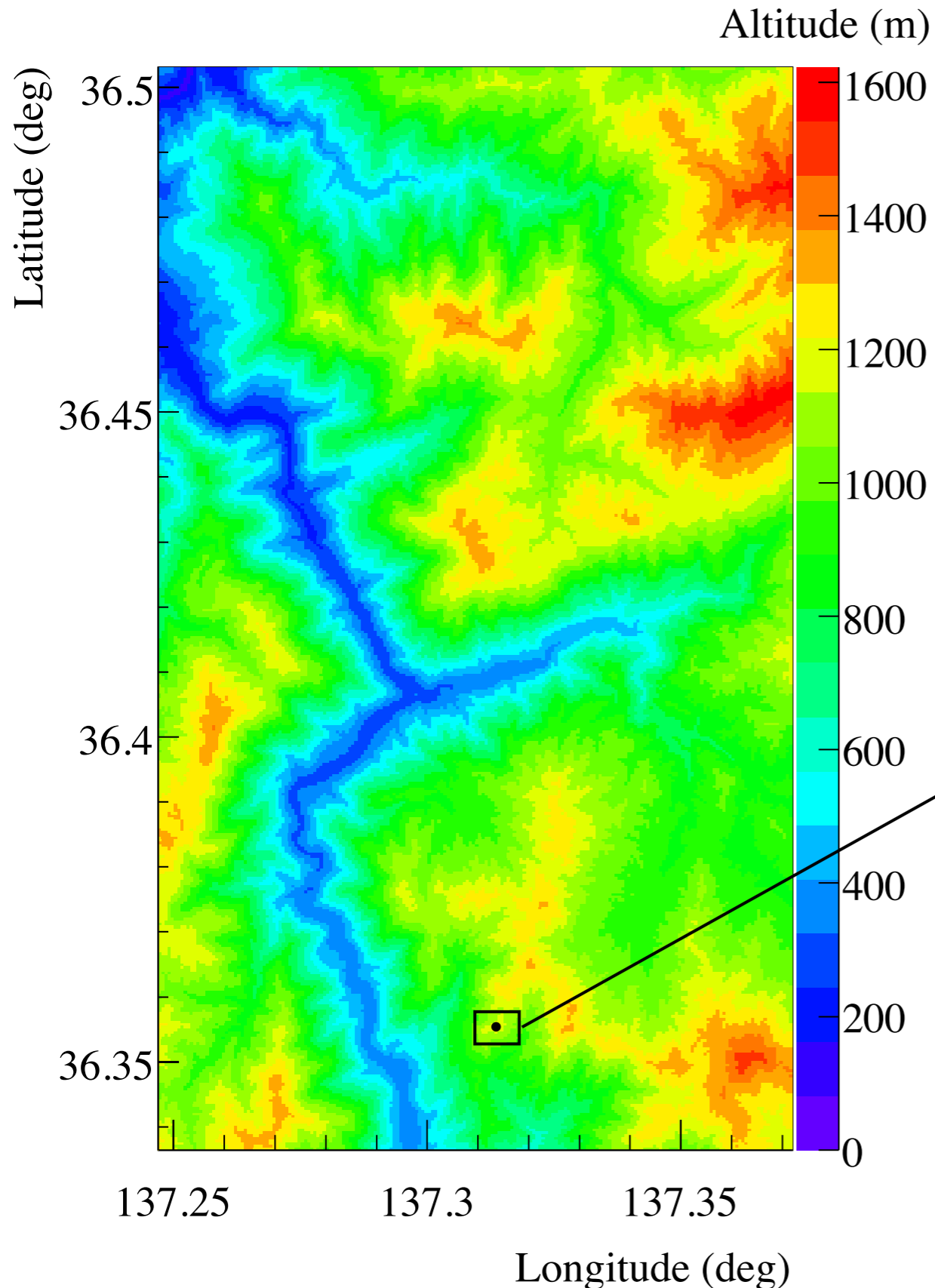


Elevation data (**50 m mesh, 1970**)
around peak of Mt. Nijyugo-yama

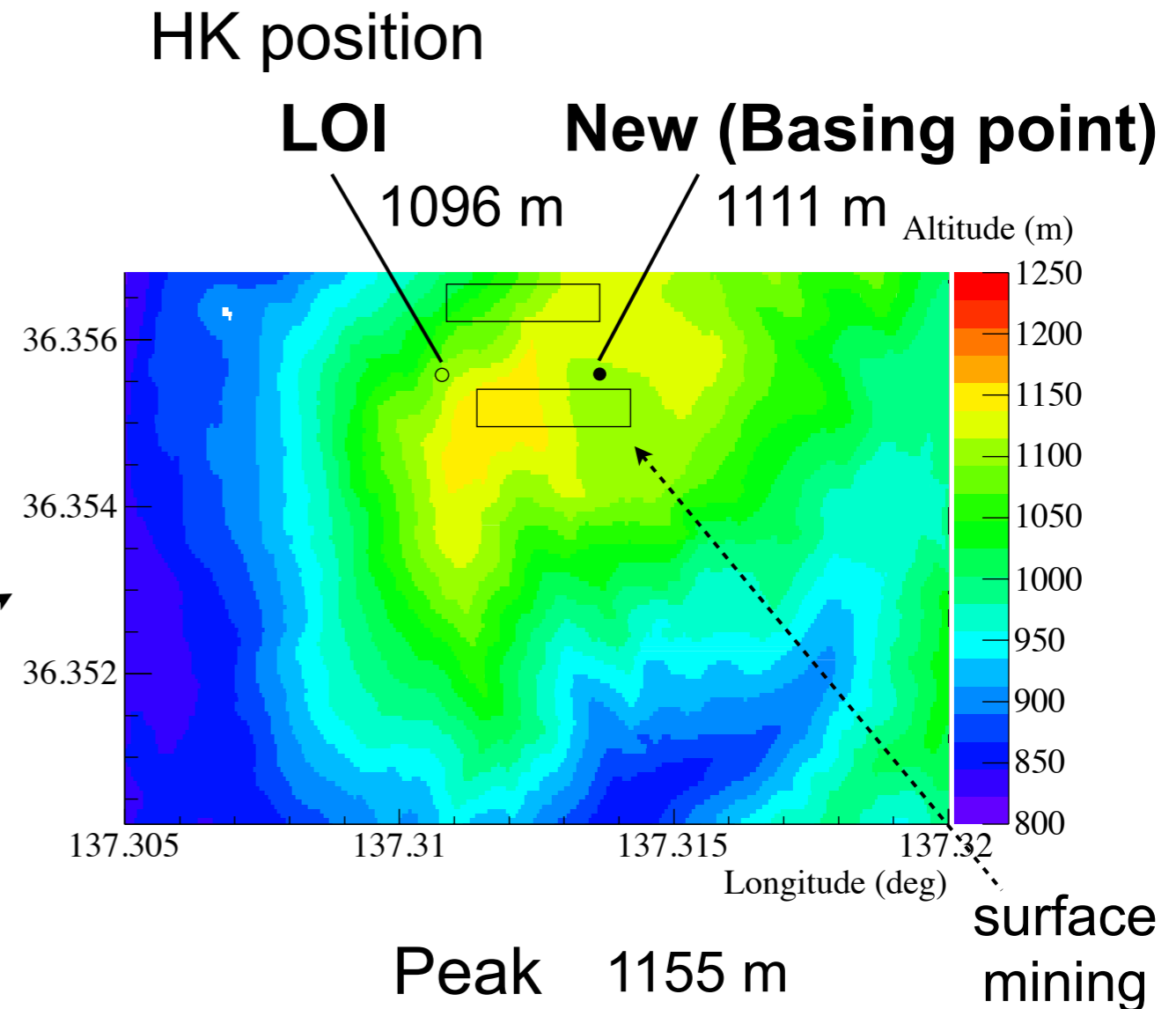


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rock thickness → decrease muon flux

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Muon Simulation Tool

MUSIC (MUon SIMulation Code)

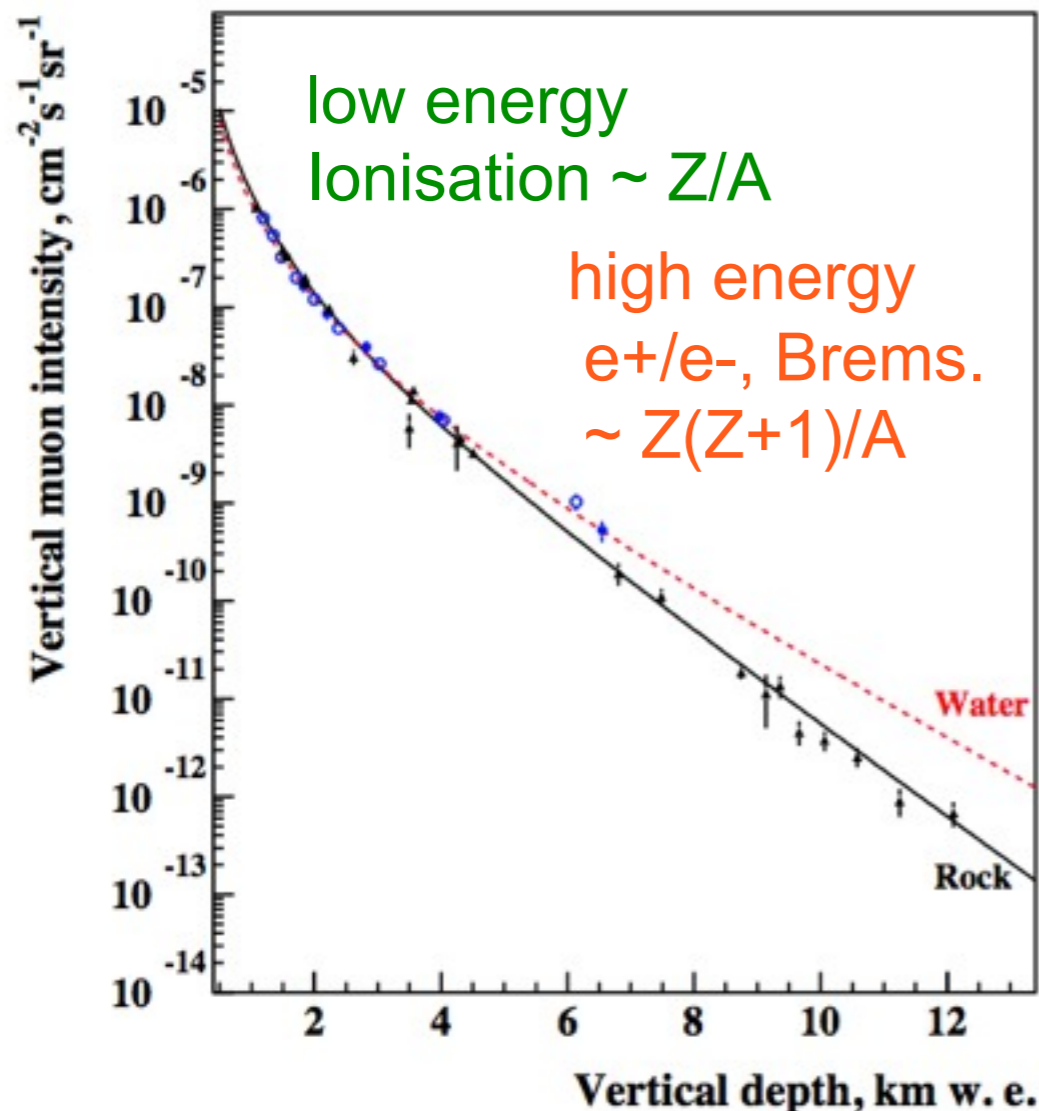
V.A. Kudryavtsev, arXiv:0810.4635

3D MC tool dedicated to muon transportation in matter

- (1) Ionisation (Bethe-Bloch formula)
- (2) Bremsstrahlung
- (3) e-/e+ pair production
- (4) Muon-nucleus inelastic scattering

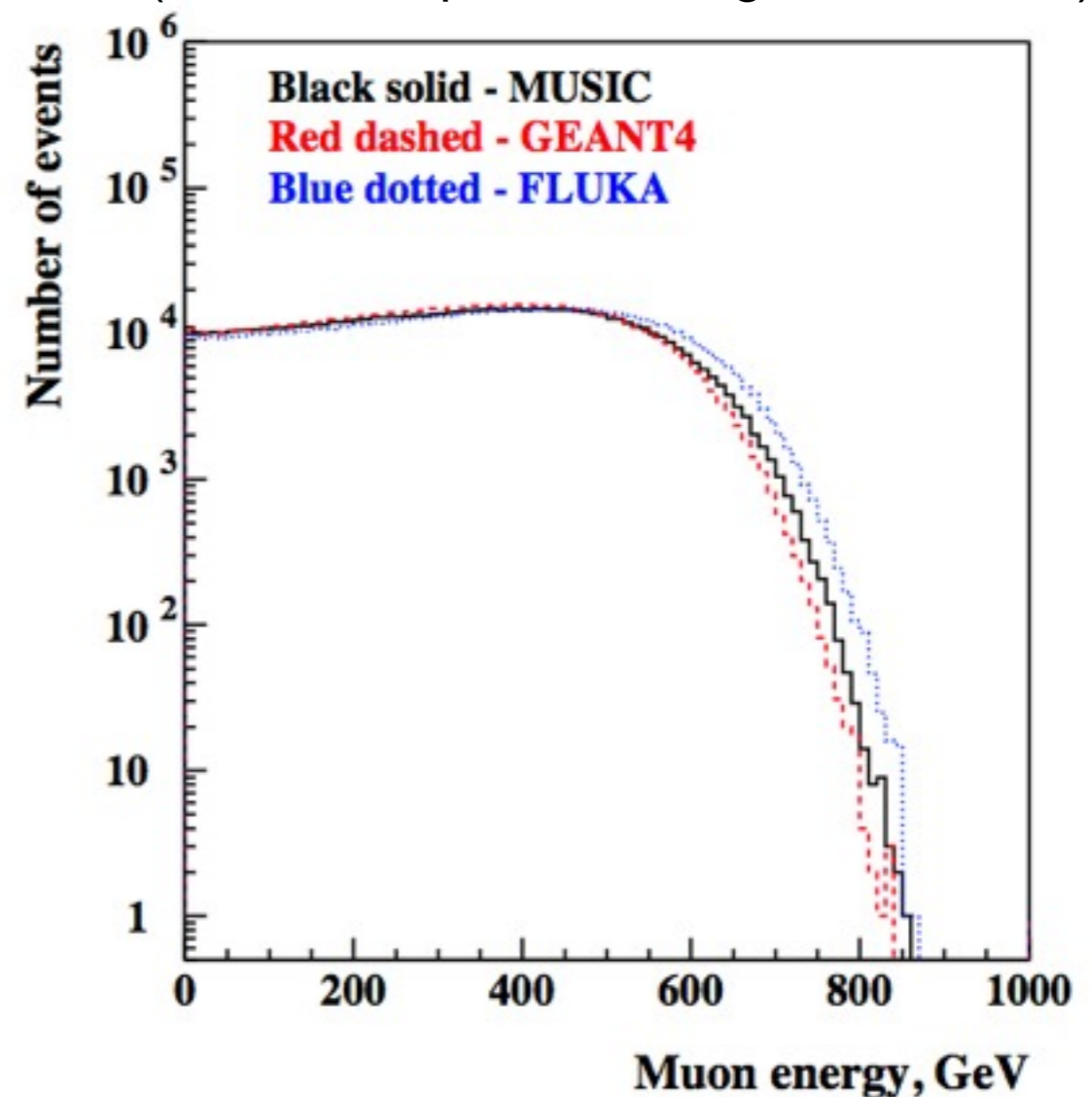
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vertical muon flux



muon energy

(2 TeV transported through 3 km water)



Rock Density and Composition

Rock composition at HK is similar to that at SK (“skarn” type deposit)

→ Use evaluated simulation uncertainty at KamLAND (close to SK)

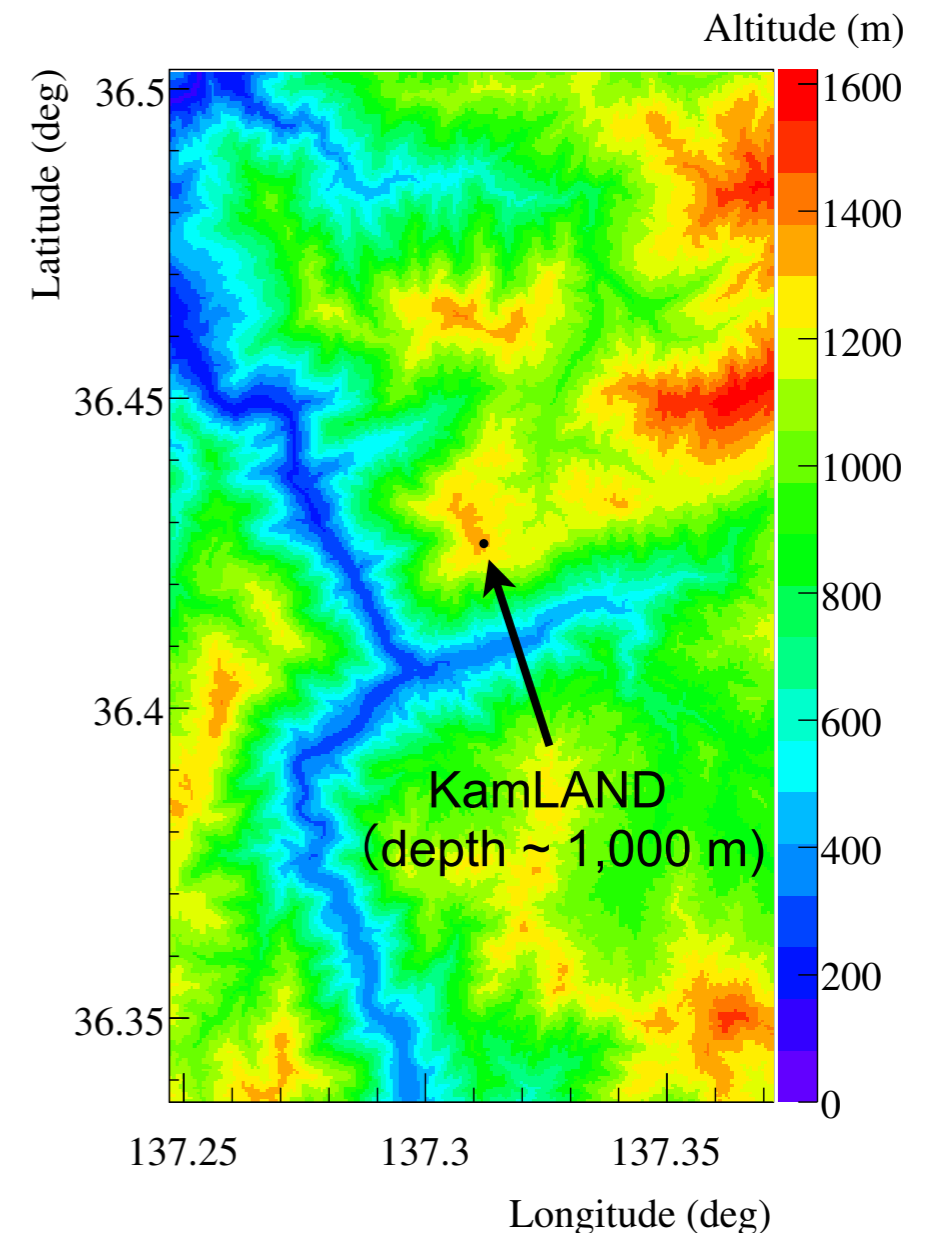
S. Abe et al., PRC81, 025807 (2010)

simulation condition

Surface muon flux	Modified Gaisser model A. Tang et al., arXiv:hep-ph/0604078
Rock type	Several Ikenoyama rock
Typical rock density	2.65 ~ 2.75 g/cm ³

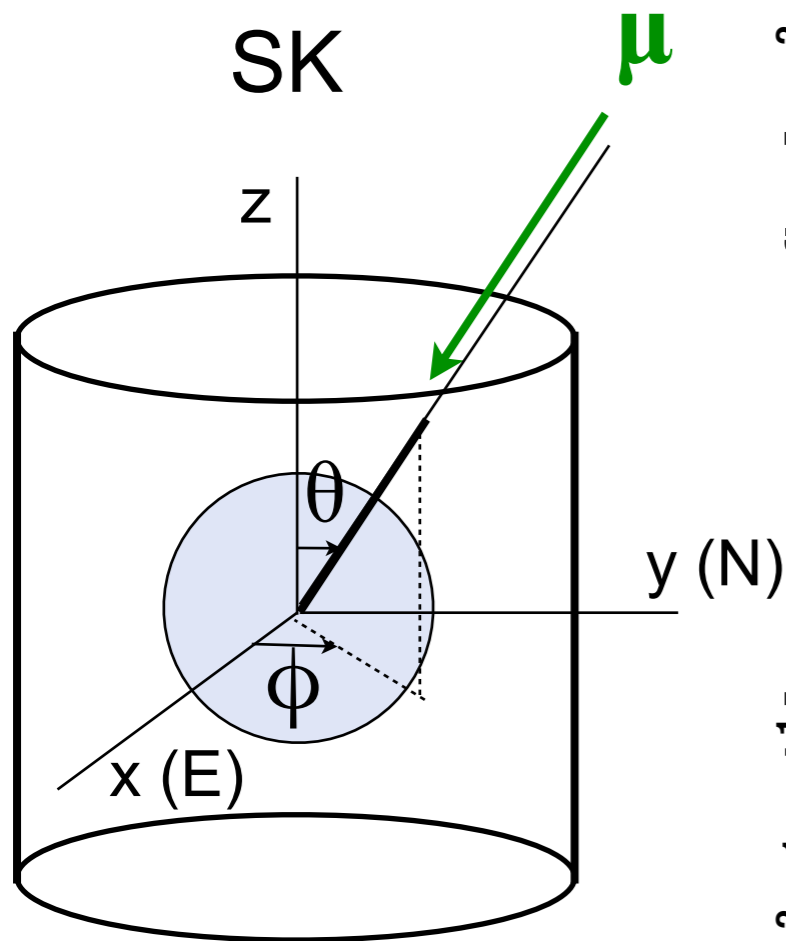
muon flux and energy @ KamLAND

	J_μ (m ⁻² h ⁻¹)	E_μ (GeV)
Inishi rock	5.66 ~ 6.71	262 ~ 268
Standard rock	4.95 ~ 5.83	256 ~ 262
Generic skarn	4.90 ~ 5.82	254 ~ 260
Measurement	5.37 ± 0.41	—

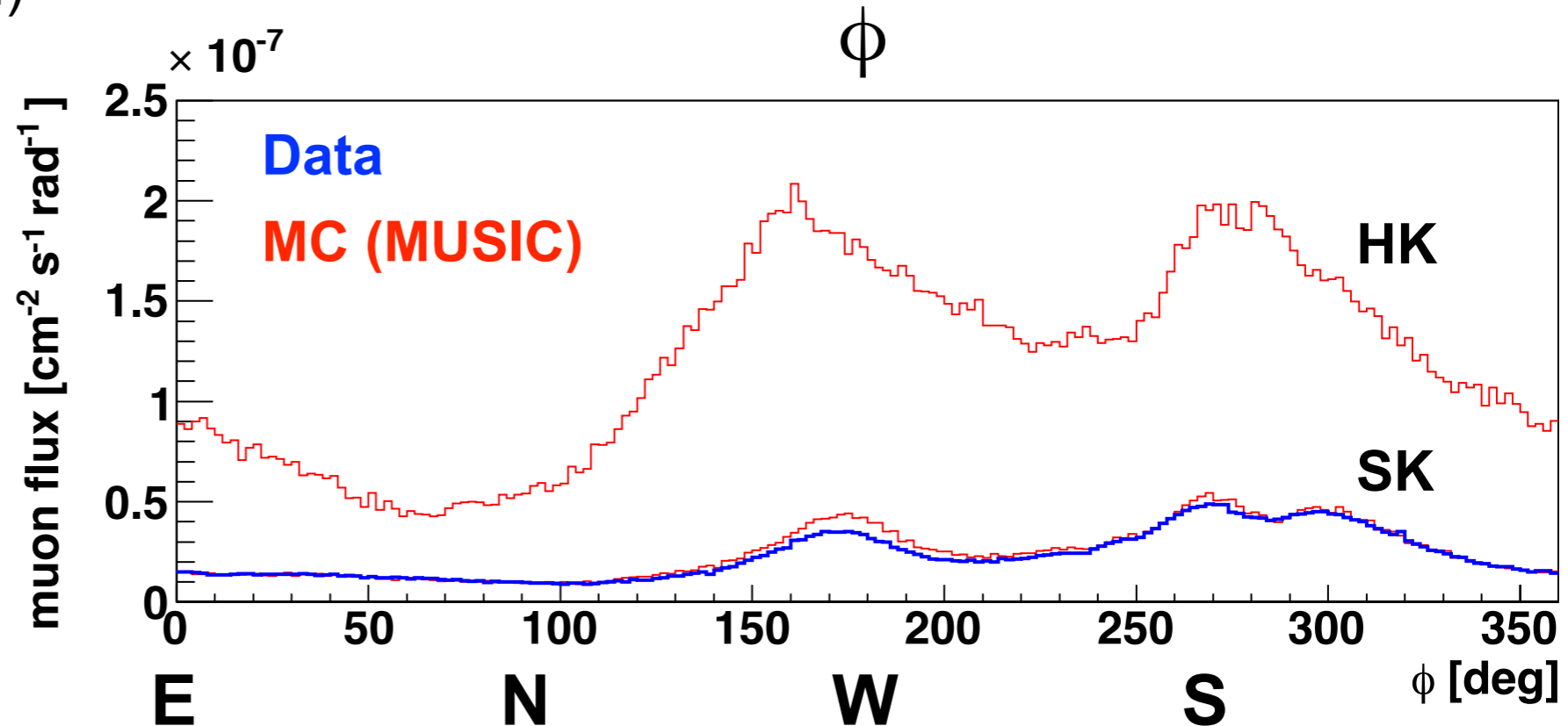
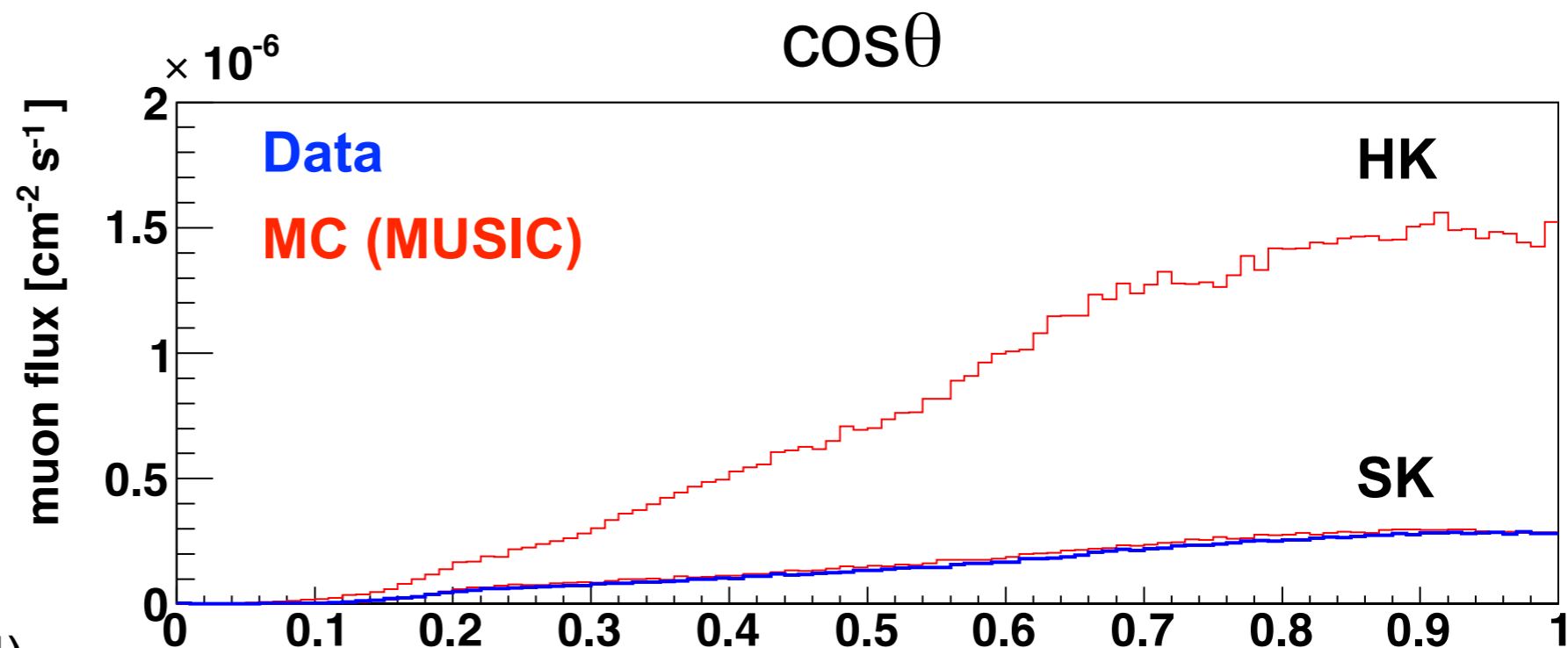


- Muon flux uncertainty from rock density and composition ~ **±20%**
- Average muon energy **260 ± 8 GeV**

Comparison of Muon Flux at HK / SK



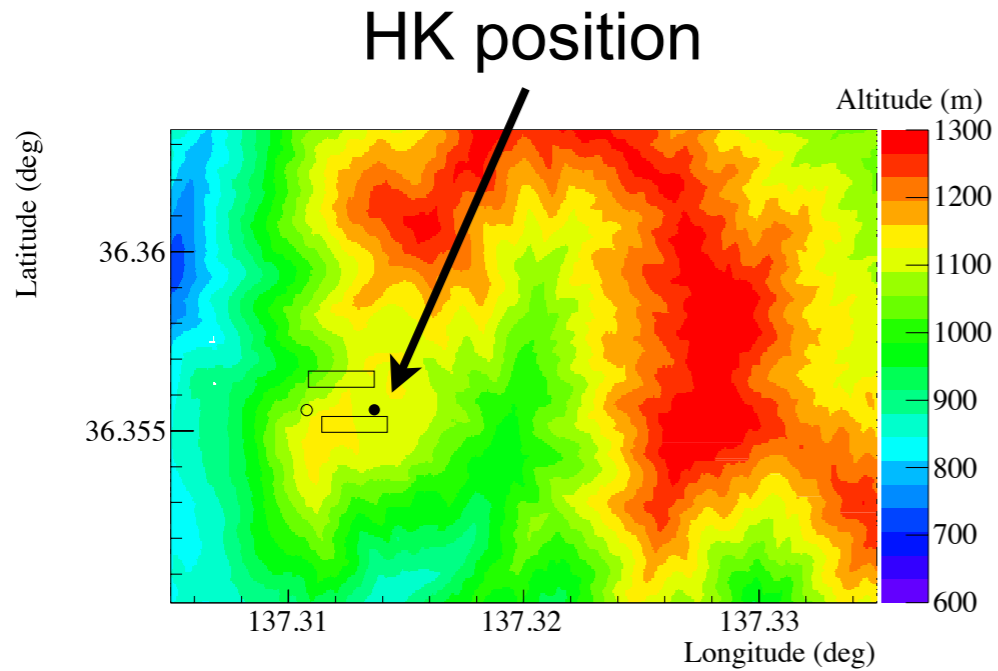
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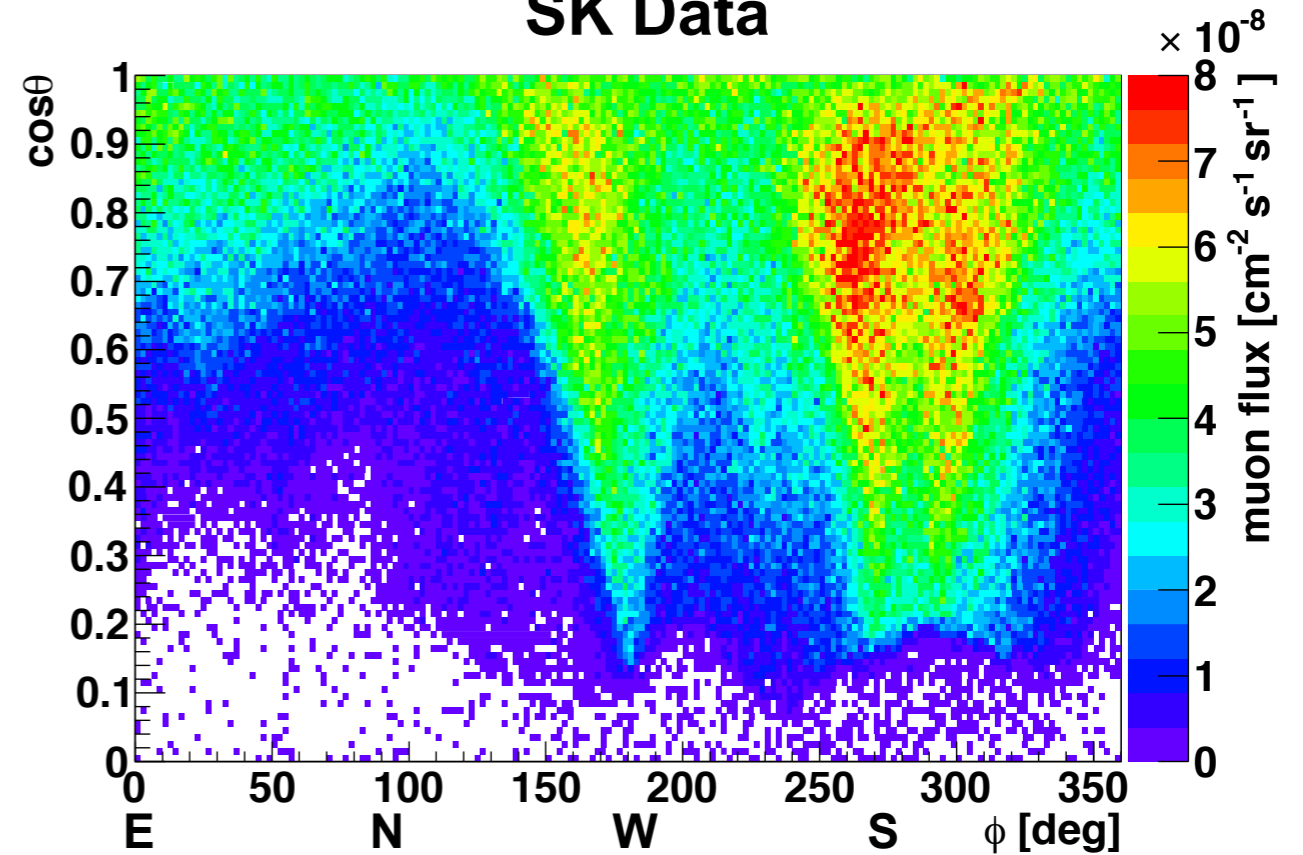
***flux at HK basing point**

$\cos\theta$ v.s. ϕ at HK / SK

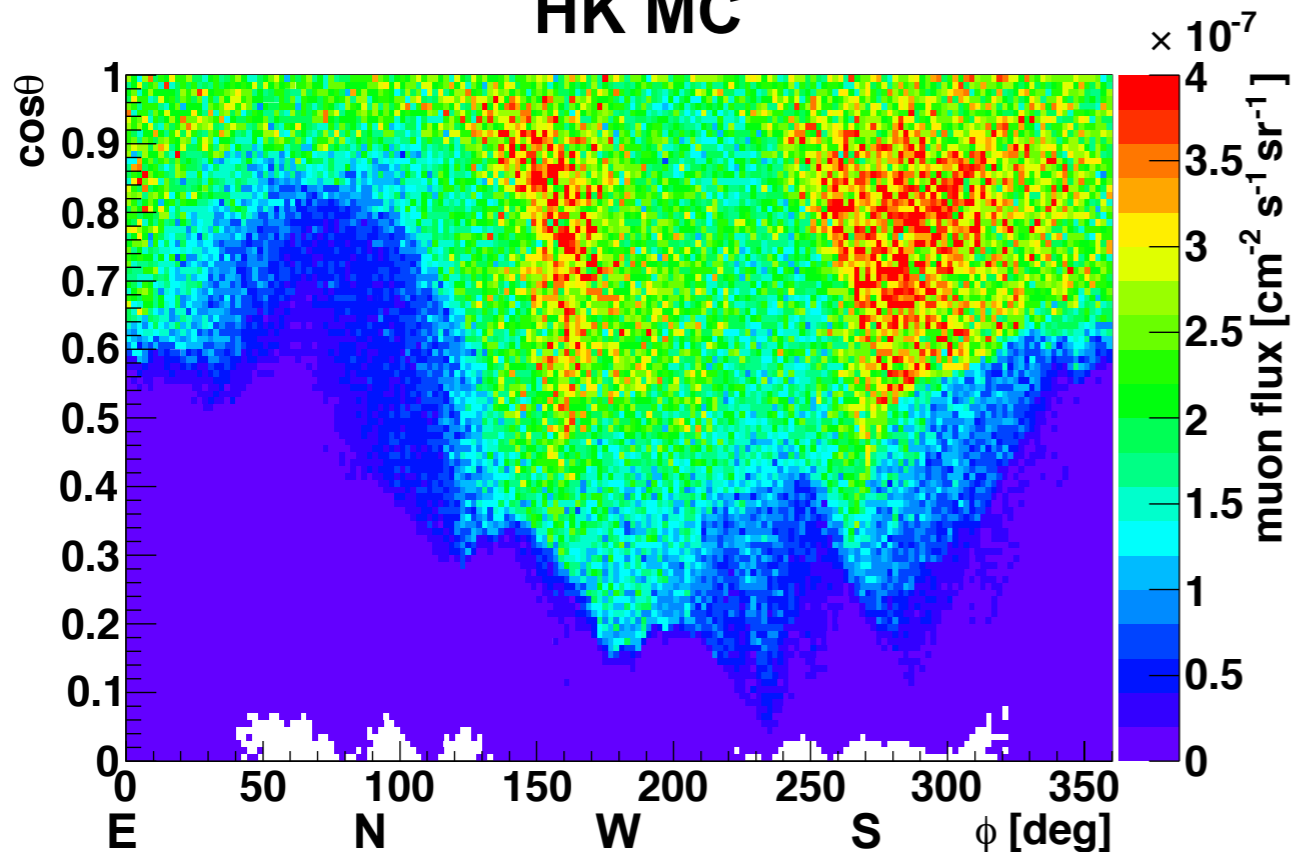


shallower in the west and south

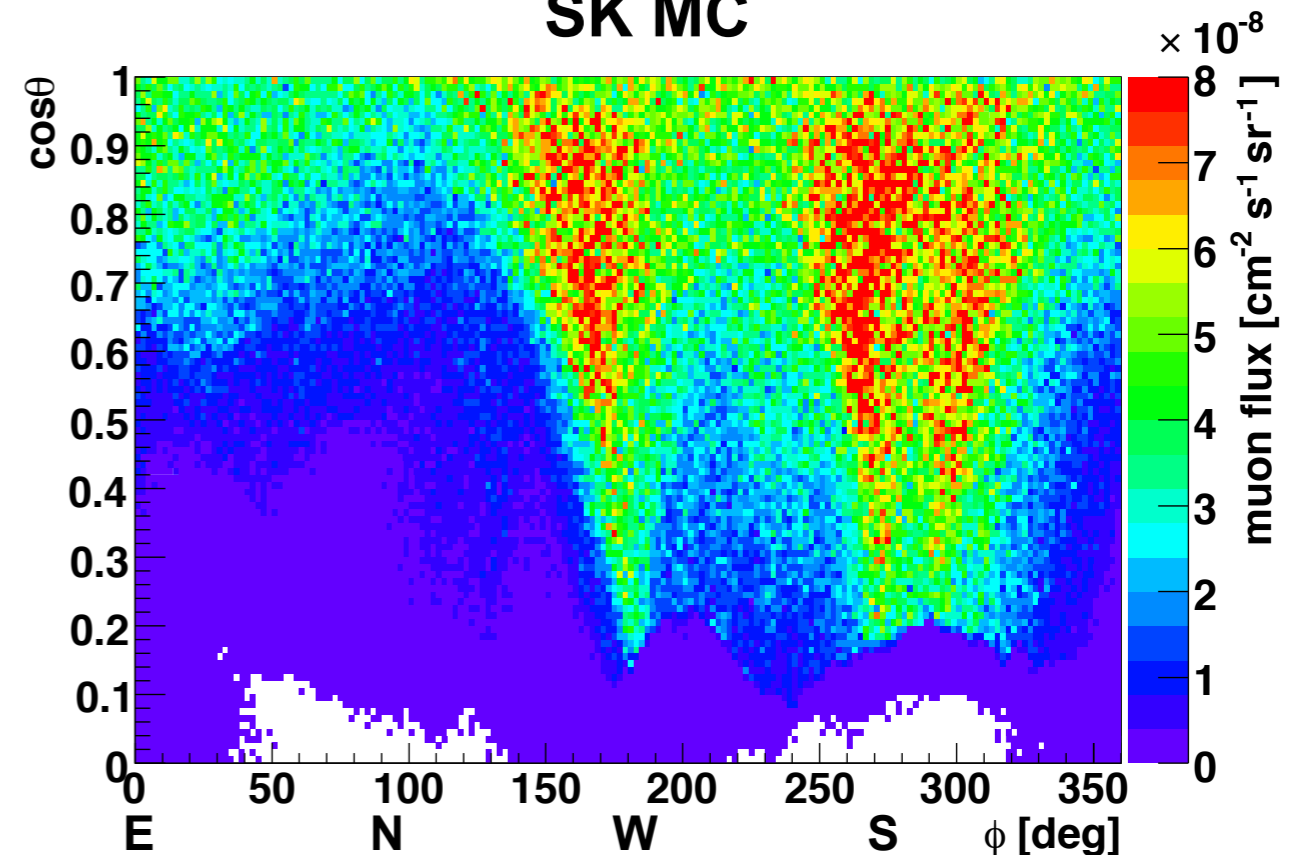
SK Data



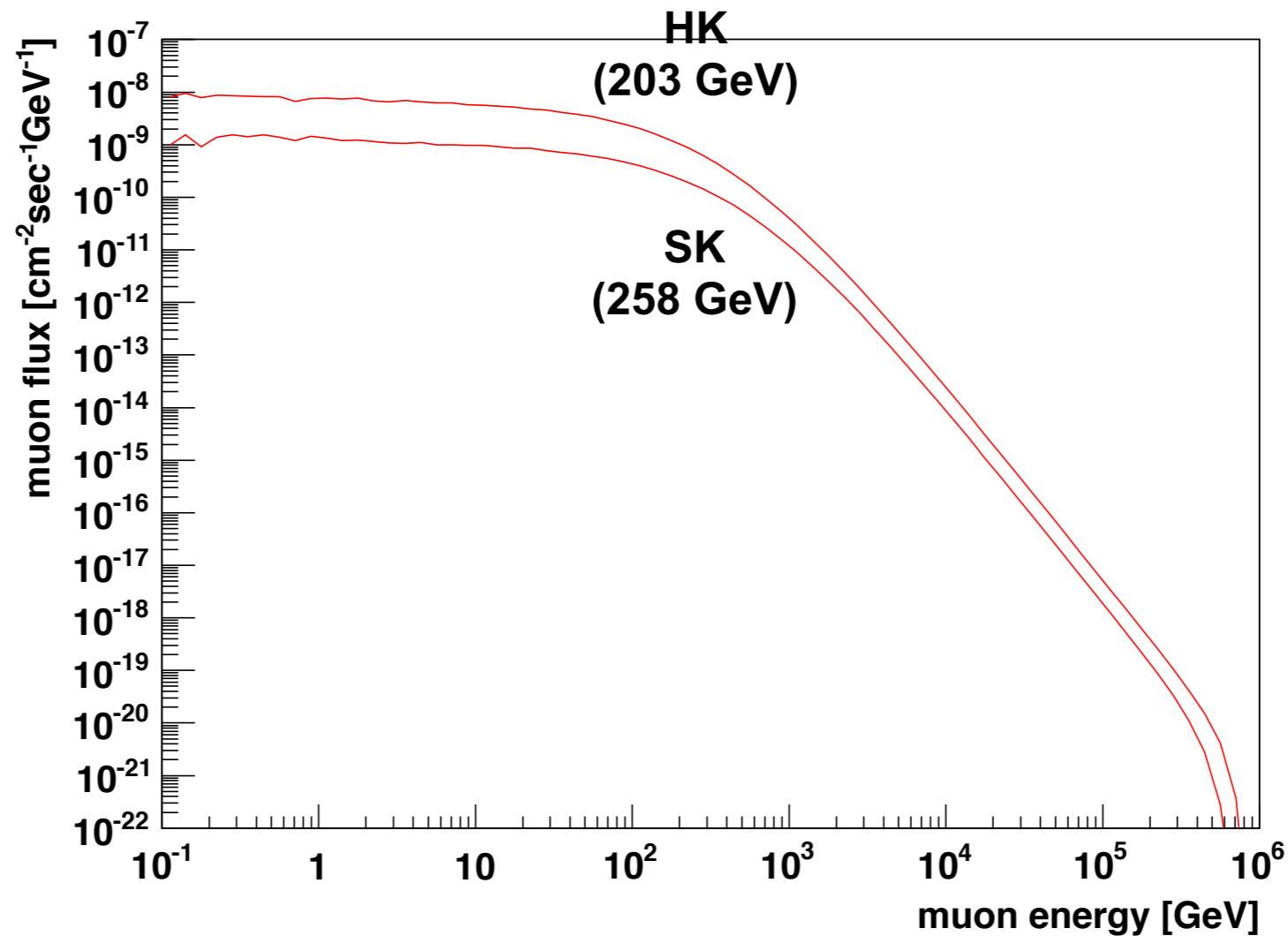
HK MC



SK MC



Muon Energy Spectrum at HK / SK



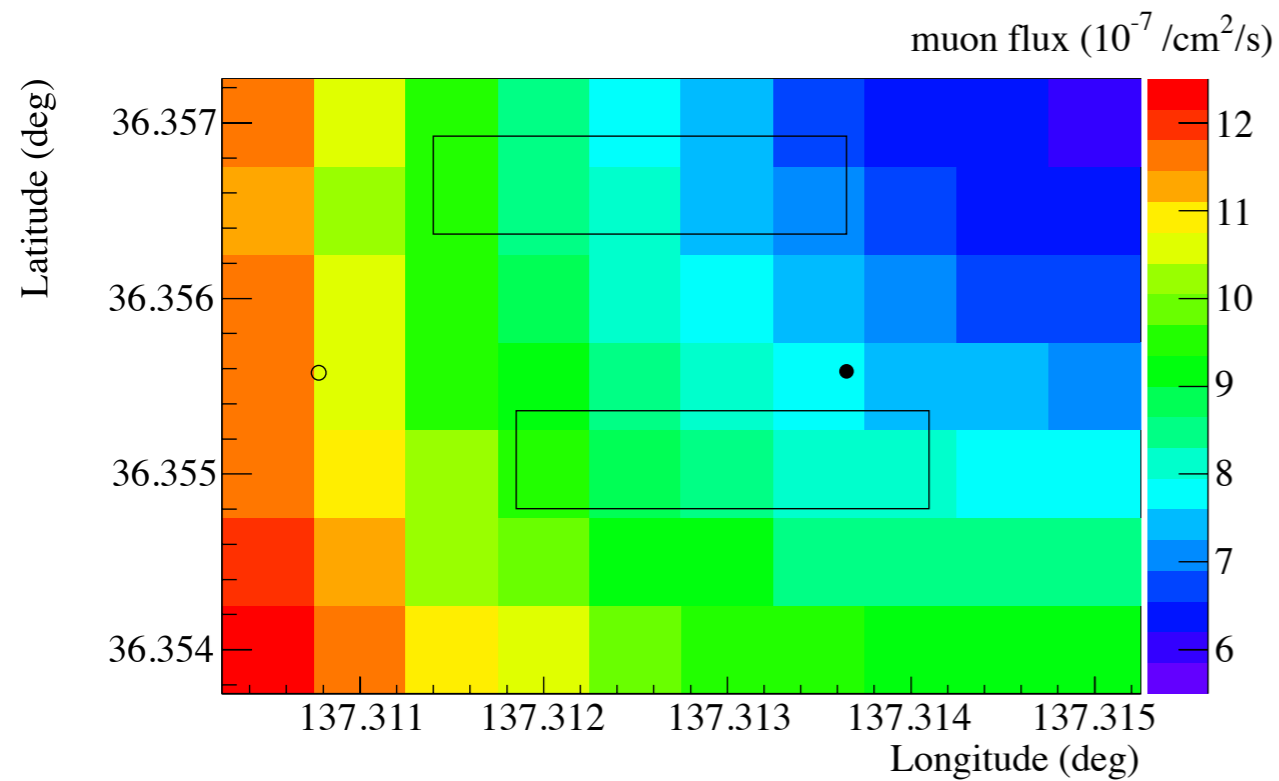
Summary of MC (MUSIC)

	HK	SK
muon flux	$7.55 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$	$1.54 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
muon average energy	203 GeV	258 GeV

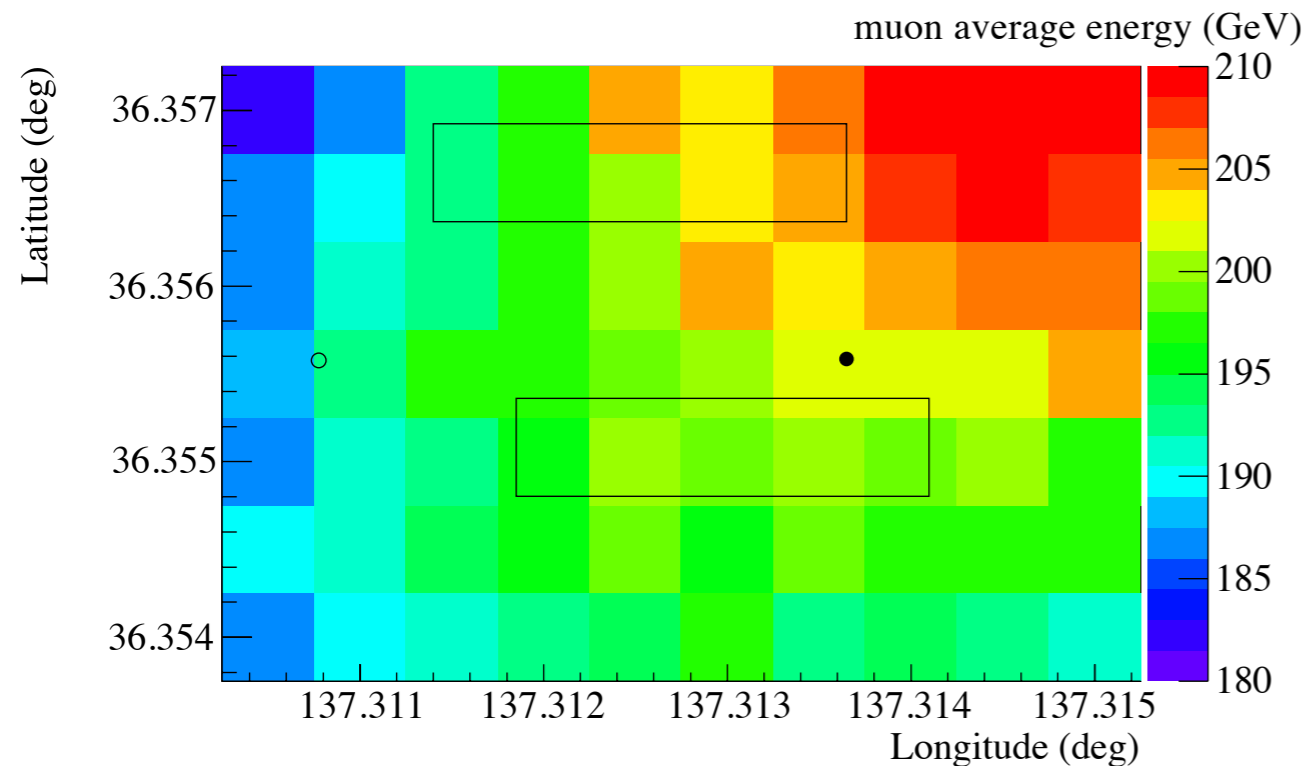
Energy spectra are used for muon spallation simulation

Muon Simulation around HK

muon flux



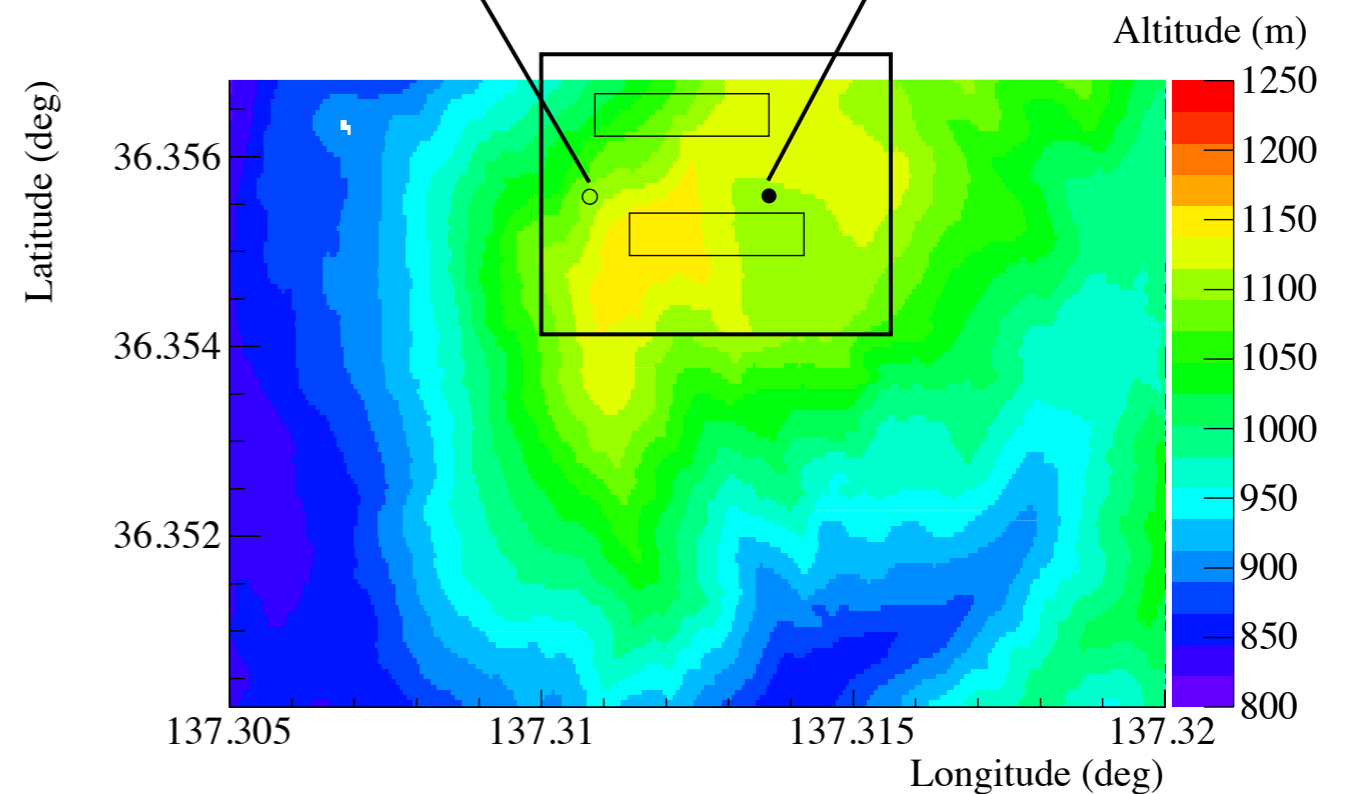
muon average energy



HK position

LOI

New (Basing point)



shallower in the west and south



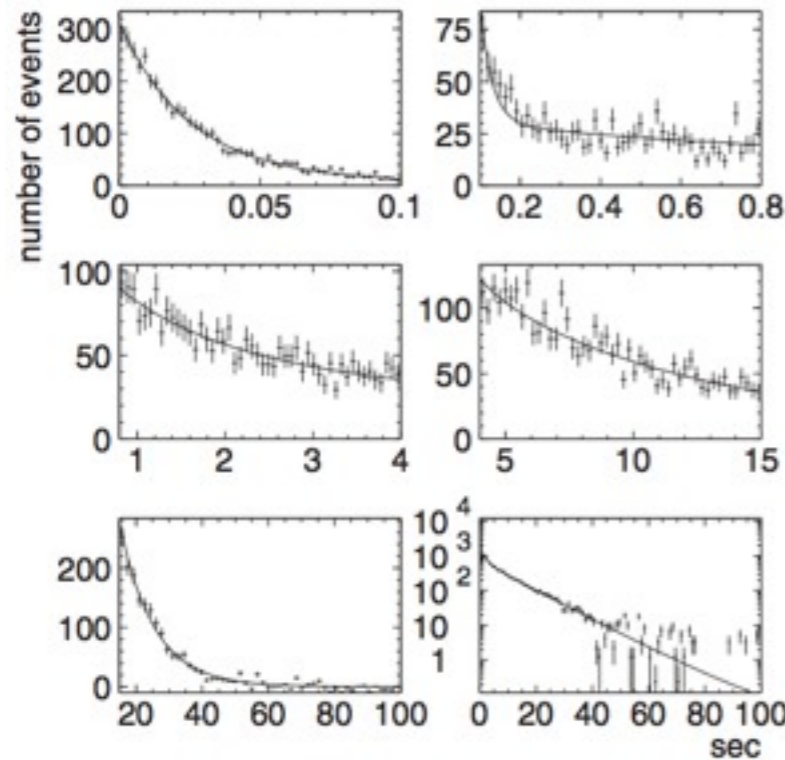
higher flux and lower energy

Estimation of Isotope Yield

Rate at SK from time correlation between muon and low energy event

J. Hosaka et al., PRC73, 112001 (2006)

ΔT distribution



isotope production rate

i	Radioactivity	$\tau_{1/2}^i$	A_i
1	${}^{12}_5\text{B}$	2.02×10^{-2}	1.20×10^5
2	${}^{12}_7\text{N}$	1.10×10^{-2}	3.39×10^4
3	${}^9_3\text{Li}$	1.78×10^{-1}	3.39×10^2
4	${}^8_3\text{Li}$	8.40×10^{-1}	1.25×10^3
5	${}^{15}_6\text{C}$	2.45	1.35×10^2
6	${}^{16}_7\text{N}$	7.13	6.76×10^2
7	${}^{11}_4\text{Be}$	13.83	7.79

Rate at HK

$$\text{Rate (HK)} = \text{Rate (SK)} \times \frac{\Phi(\text{HK})}{\Phi(\text{SK})} \times \frac{Y(\text{HK})}{Y(\text{SK})}$$

↑
Data

↑ MC (MUSIC) ↑ MC (FLUKA)

Φ : muon flux ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$)

Y: isotope yield ($/\mu/\text{m}$)

(muon energy dependent)

Muon Spallation MC

FLUKA

general purpose MC tool for particle transport and interactions

Spallation MC by FLUKA using muon energy spectrum at HK / SK

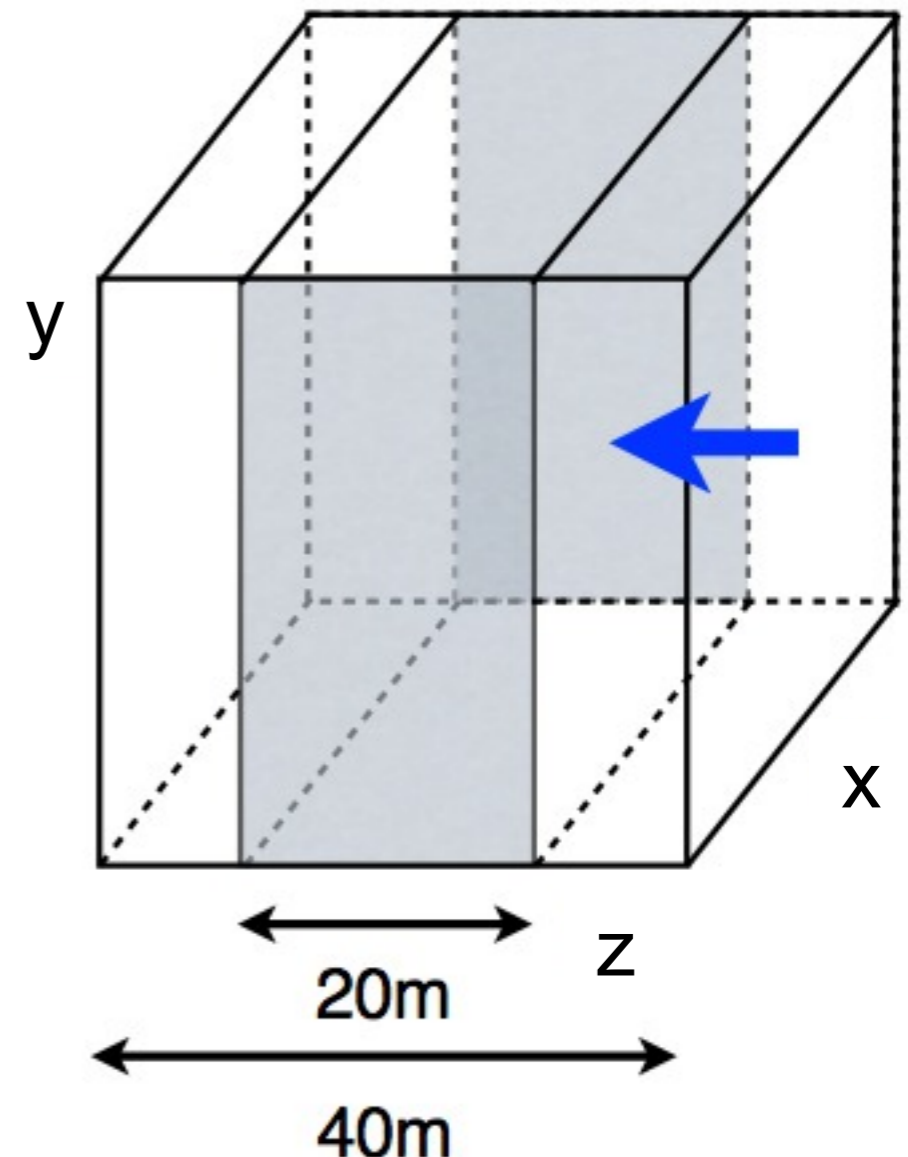
simulation condition

muon energy spectrum: MUSIC MC

target: water

FLUKA: version 2011.2b (latest)

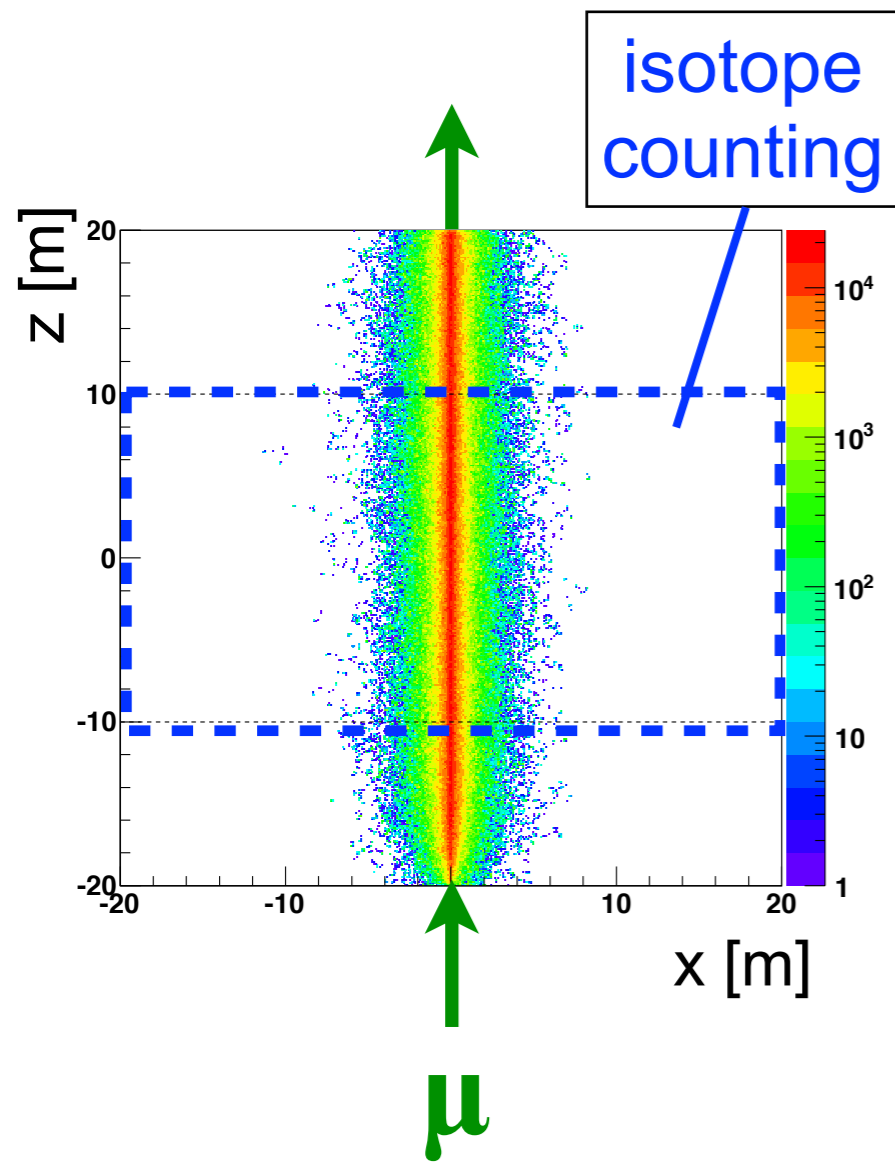
measure isotope production yield
only at central 20 m region to
reduce the boundary effect



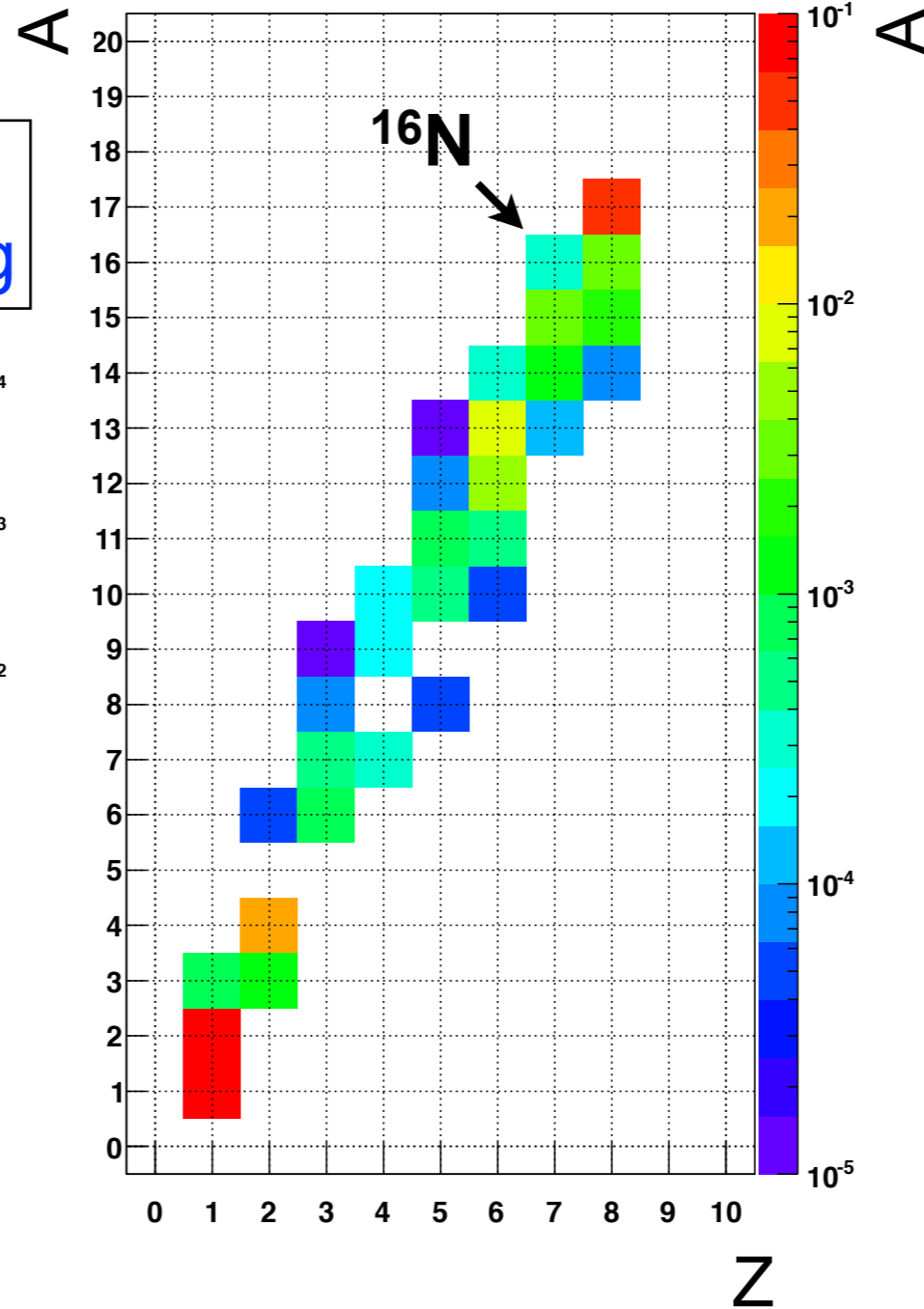
Result is used for the estimate of isotope yield ratio of HK / SK

Isotope Yield in FLUKA

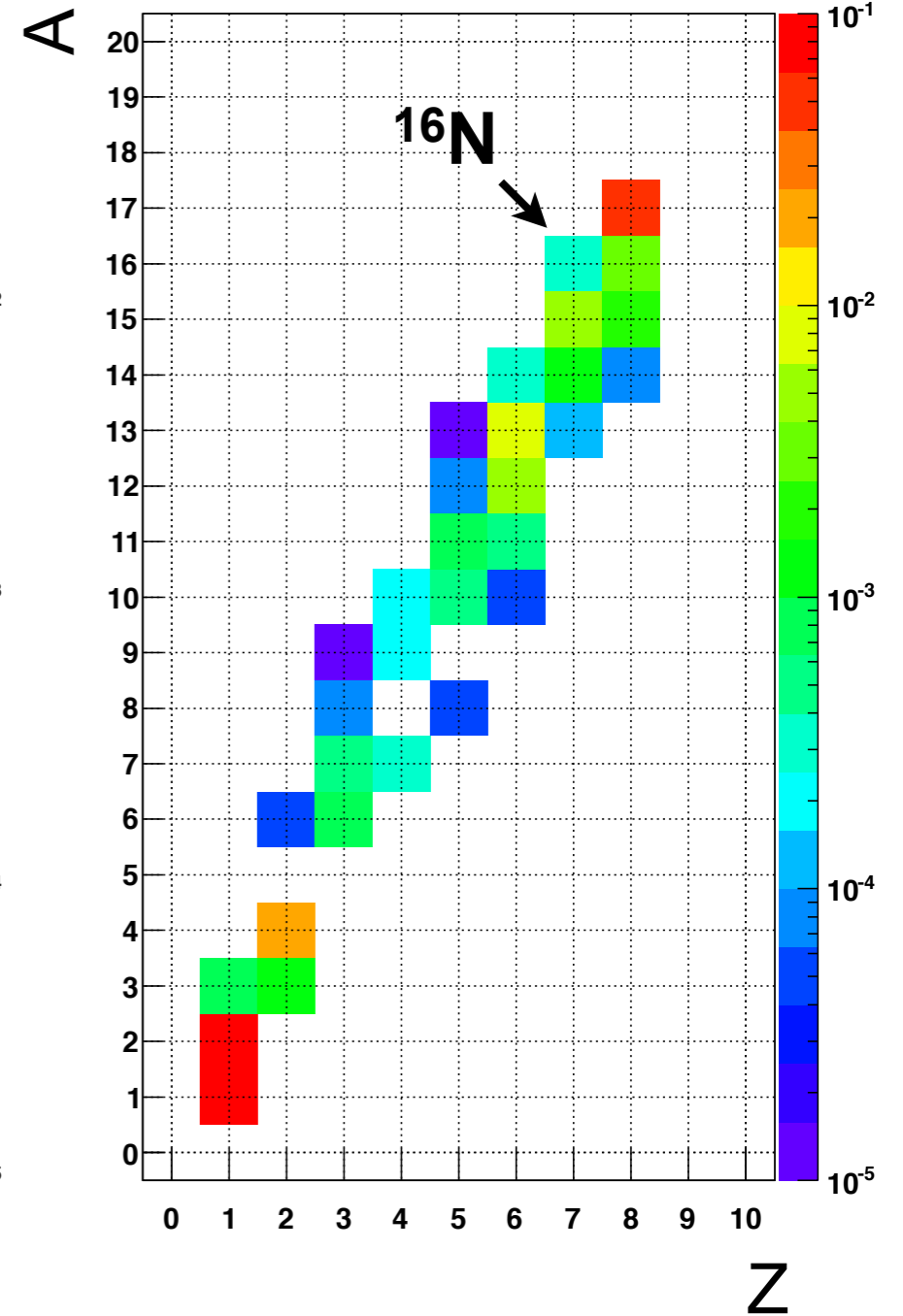
isotope production
by oxygen spallation



HK μ^+



HK μ^-



Isotope yield (^{16}N)
(weighted average assuming $\mu^+/\mu^- \sim 1.3$)

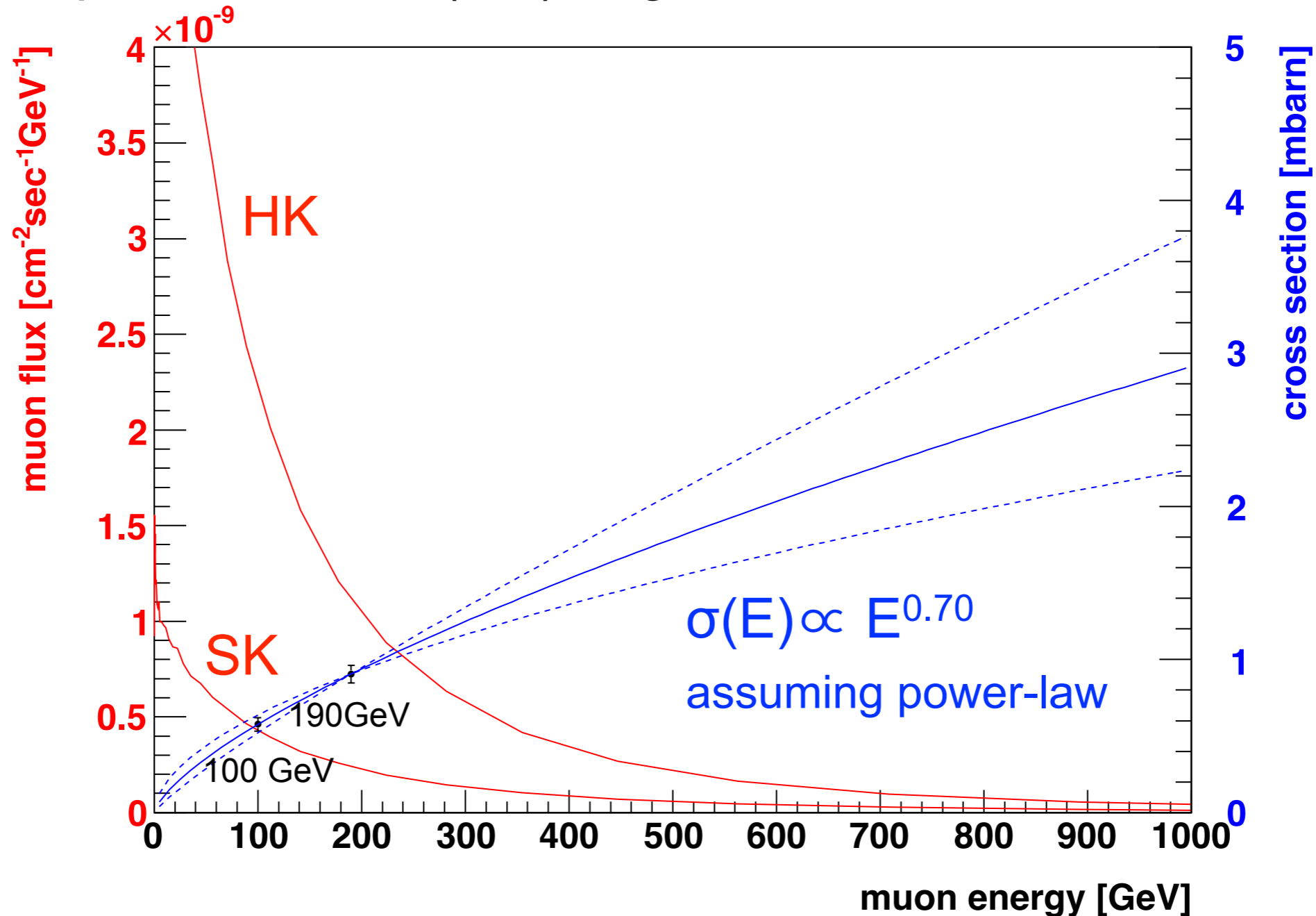
$$Y (\text{HK}) = 2.74 \times 10^{-4} / \mu/\text{m}$$

$$Y (\text{SK}) = 3.41 \times 10^{-4} / \mu/\text{m}$$

Estimation from Muon Beam Experiment

cross section from muon beam experiment + MUSIC MC

liquid scintillator (^{12}C) target, $E = 100 \text{ GeV}, 190 \text{ GeV}$



Ratio of ^{11}C production rate (HK / SK) = 4.14 ± 0.84

~20% from muon MC
~4% from c.s.

Production Yield per Muon

Ratio of isotope yield (HK / SK) has ~10% spread in Data and MC

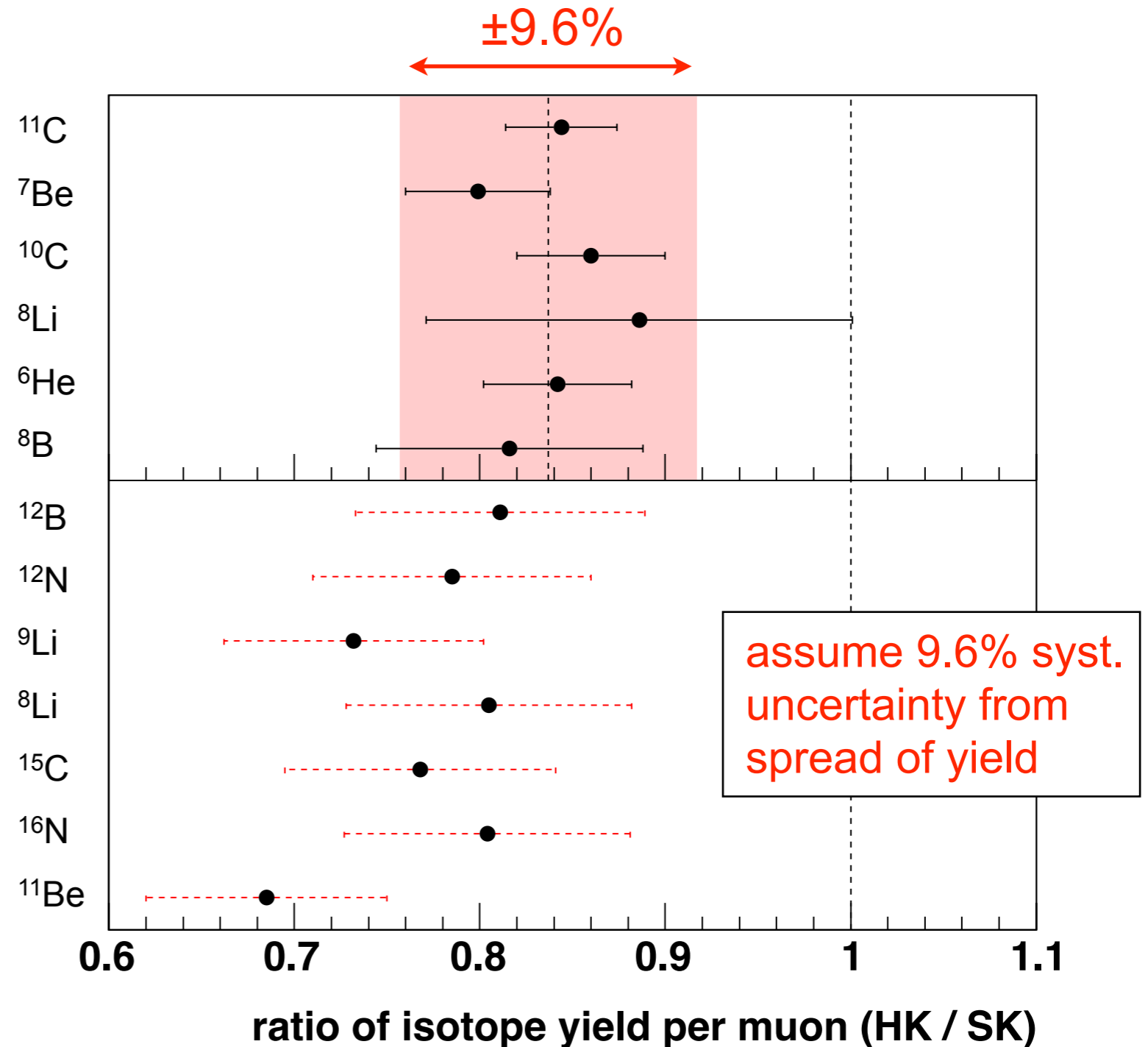
Muon beam experiment

liquid scintillator target

Hagner et al., Astro. Phys. 14, 33 (2000)

FLUKA MC simulation

water target



Ratio of isotope yield (¹⁶N) (HK / SK) = **0.80 ± 0.08**

Estimation of Isotope Yield at HK

Ratio of muon flux (HK / SK) = **4.90 ± 0.98**

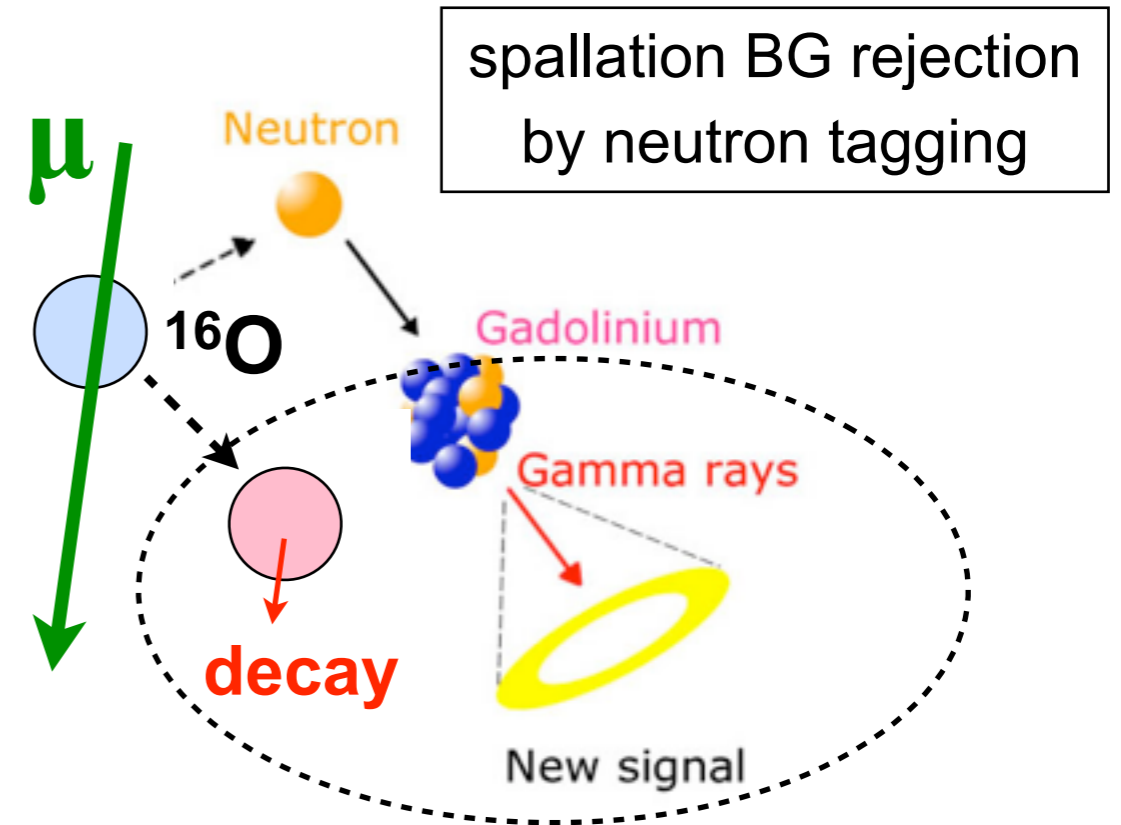
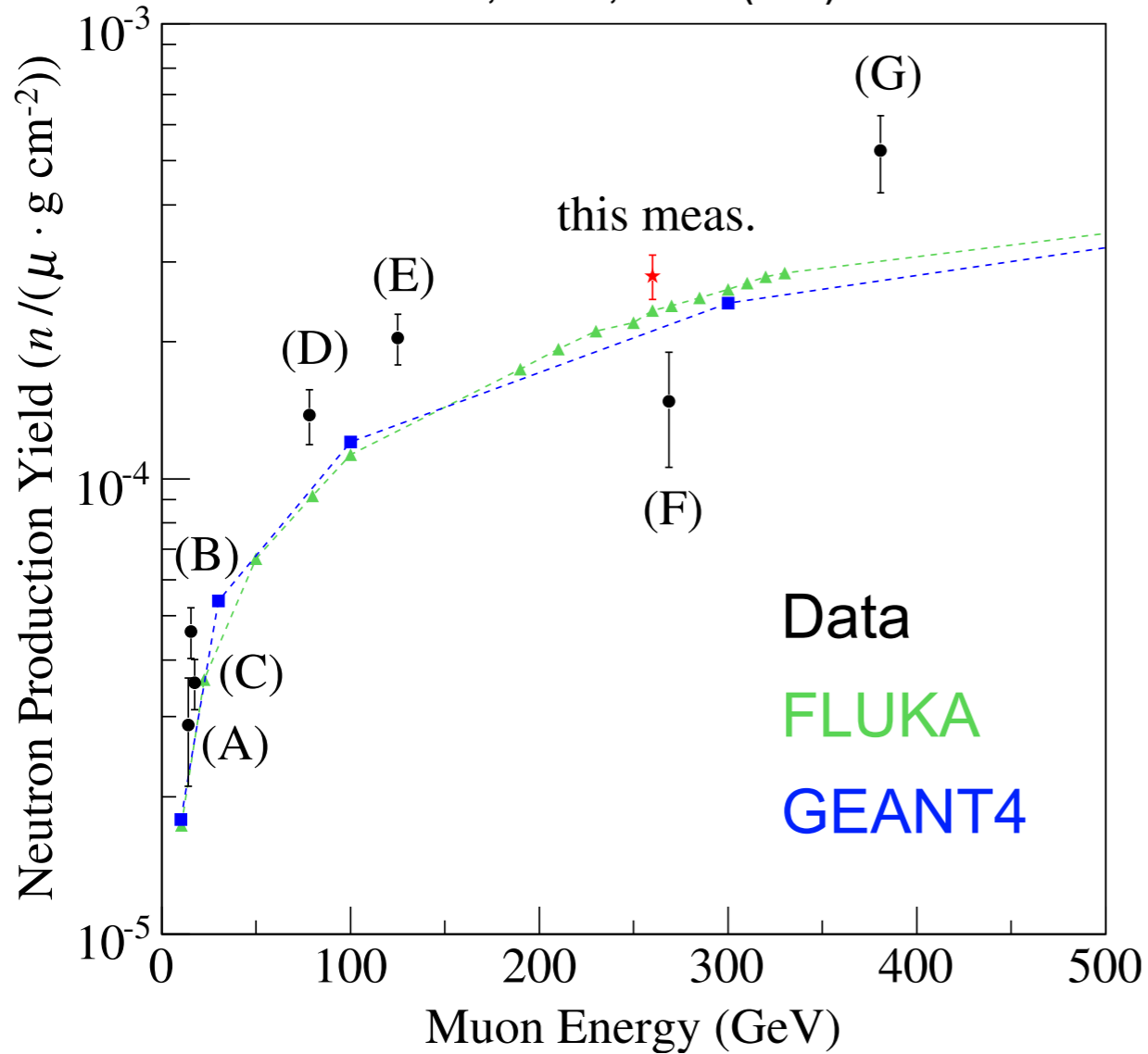
	Isotope yield by FLUKA (/μ/m)		Ratio of yield (HK / SK)	Ratio of rate (HK / SK)
	HK	SK		
¹²B	8.05×10^{-5}	9.93×10^{-5}	0.811 ± 0.078	3.98 ± 0.88
¹²N	8.70×10^{-6}	1.11×10^{-5}	0.785 ± 0.075	3.84 ± 0.85
⁹Li	1.23×10^{-5}	1.68×10^{-5}	0.732 ± 0.070	3.59 ± 0.80
⁸Li	8.67×10^{-5}	1.08×10^{-4}	0.805 ± 0.077	3.95 ± 0.87
¹⁵C	5.12×10^{-6}	6.68×10^{-6}	0.768 ± 0.073	3.76 ± 0.83
¹⁶N	2.74×10^{-4}	3.41×10^{-4}	0.804 ± 0.077	3.94 ± 0.87
¹¹Be	5.32×10^{-6}	7.76×10^{-6}	0.685 ± 0.065	3.36 ± 0.74

Expected rate of spallation background has uncertainty of ~20%

Prospect in Gadolinium Option

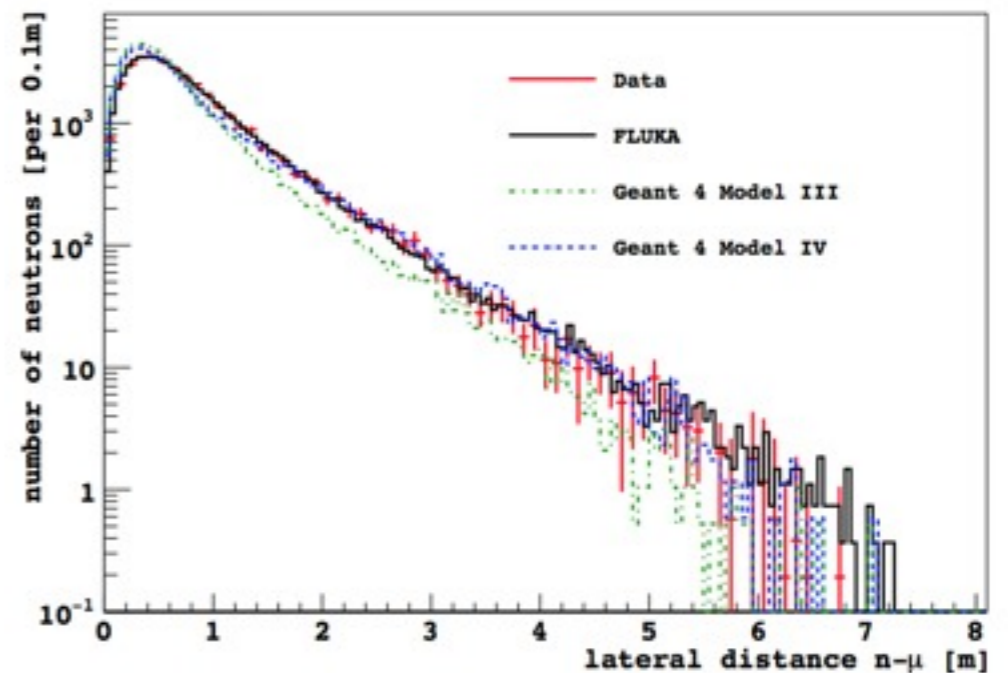
neutron yield in liquid scintillator

S. Abe et al., PRC81, 025807 (2010)



ΔL distribution in liquid scintillator

G. Bellini et al., arXiv:1304.7381



MC is almost consistent with Data



study BG reduction and signal efficiency in ^{16}O using MC

Summary

- Expected rate of spallation background at HK will be increased by factor $\sim 4 \pm 1$ (previous ~ 7) over SK including updated HK position and elevation data.

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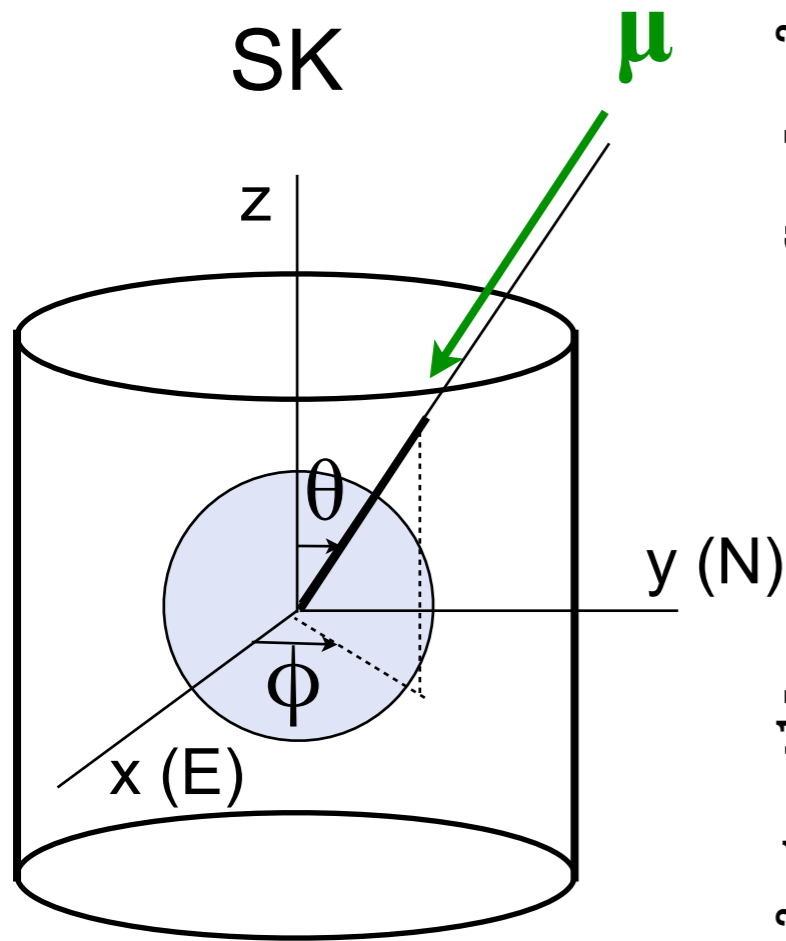
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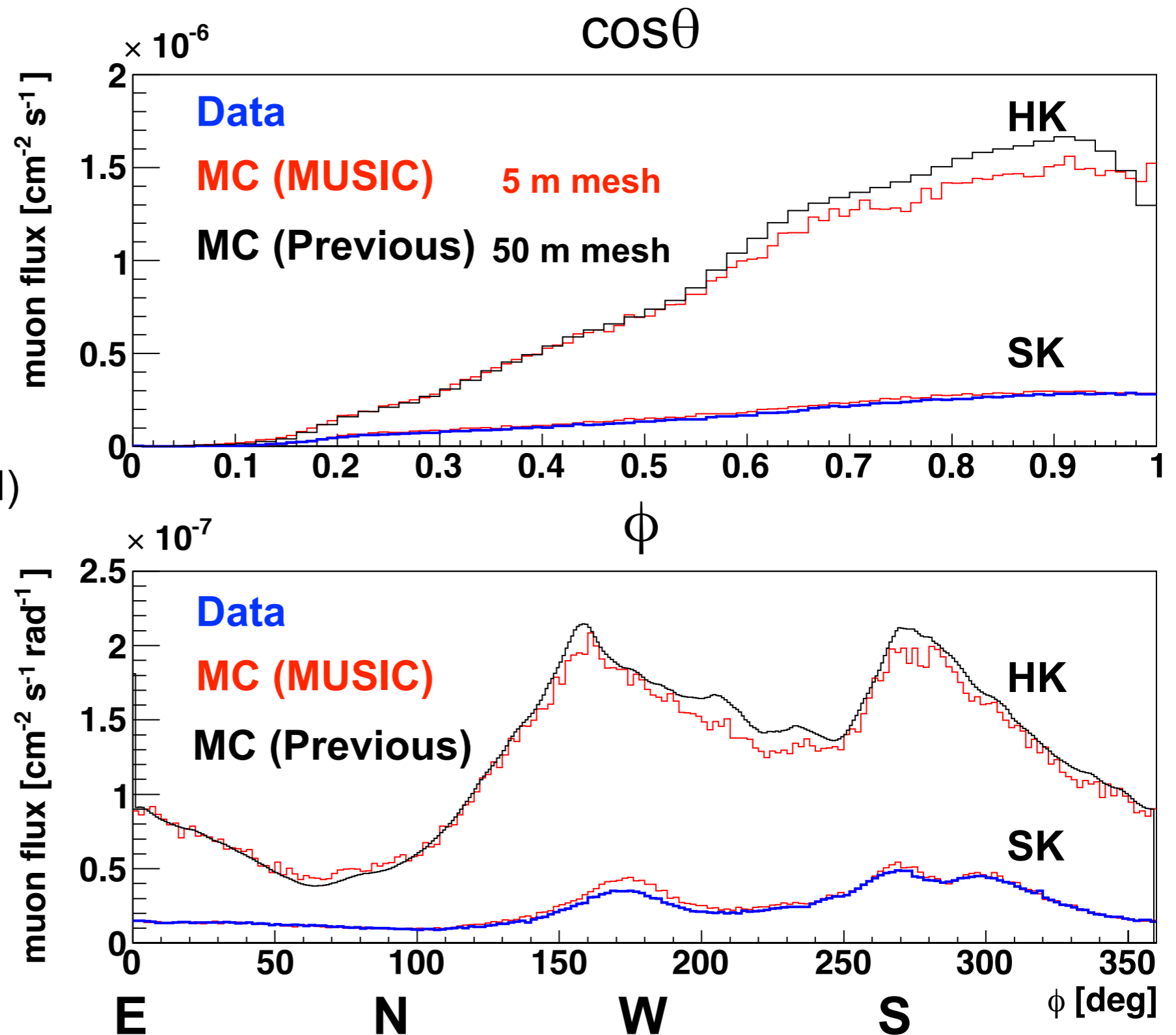
- Prediction uncertainty is dominated by the muon flux which may be determined by in-situ measurement (hodoscope) at existing drift.
- Neutron production MC will be useful to evaluate the reduction efficiency for spallation BG (Gd option).

Backup

Comparison of Muon Flux at HK / SK



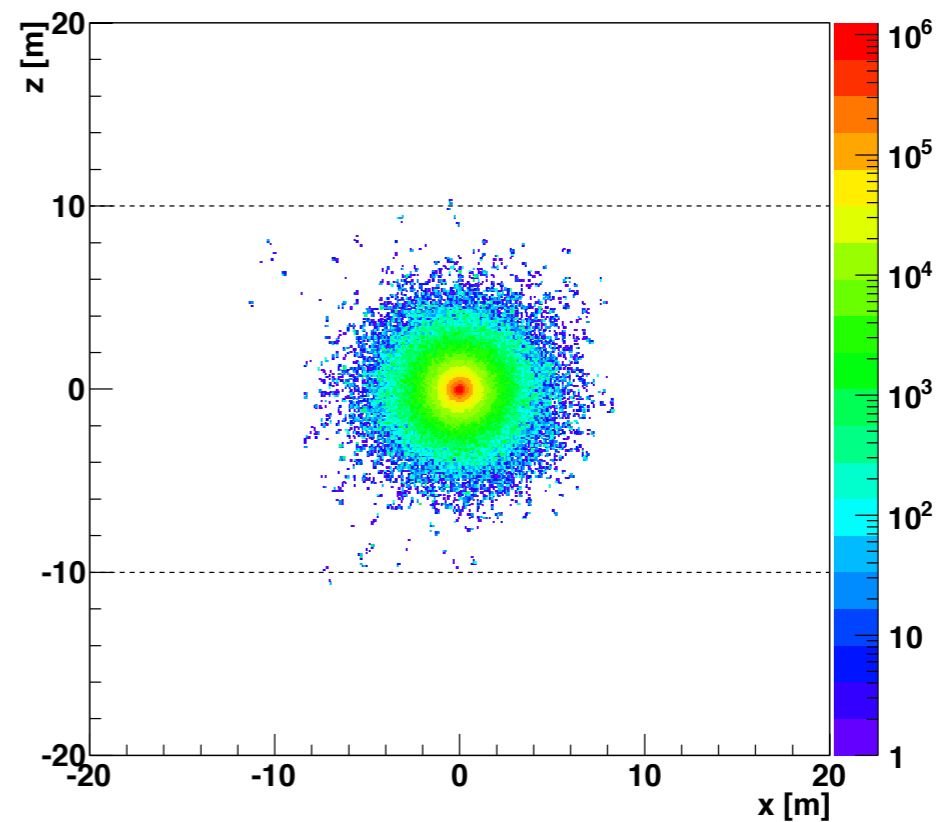
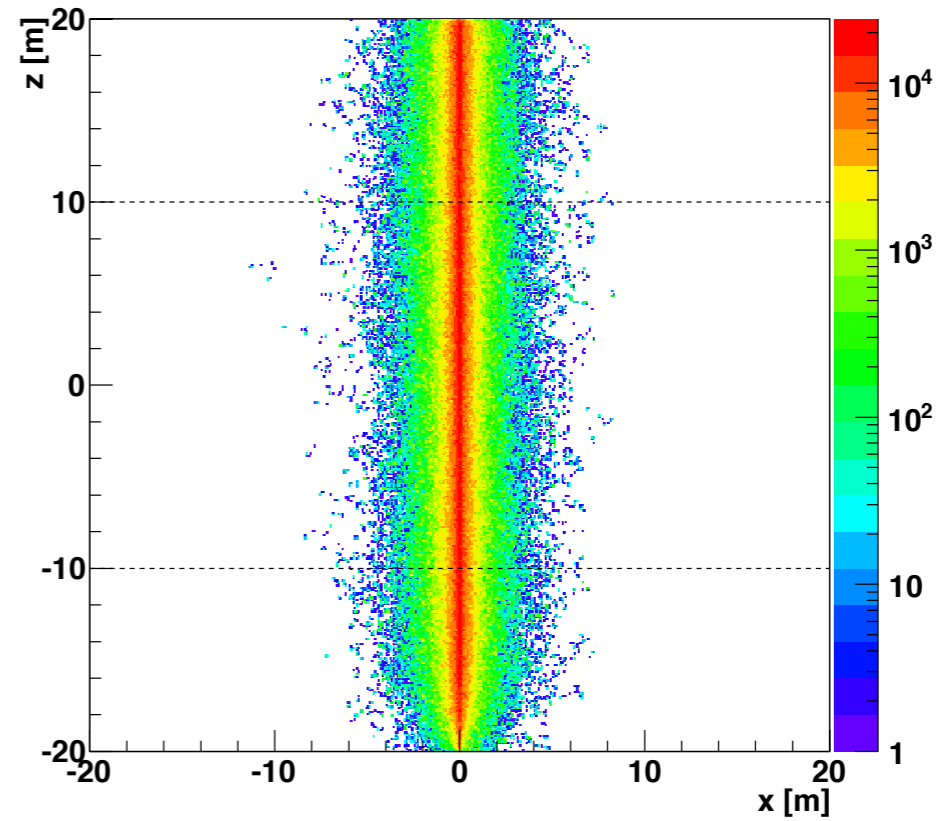
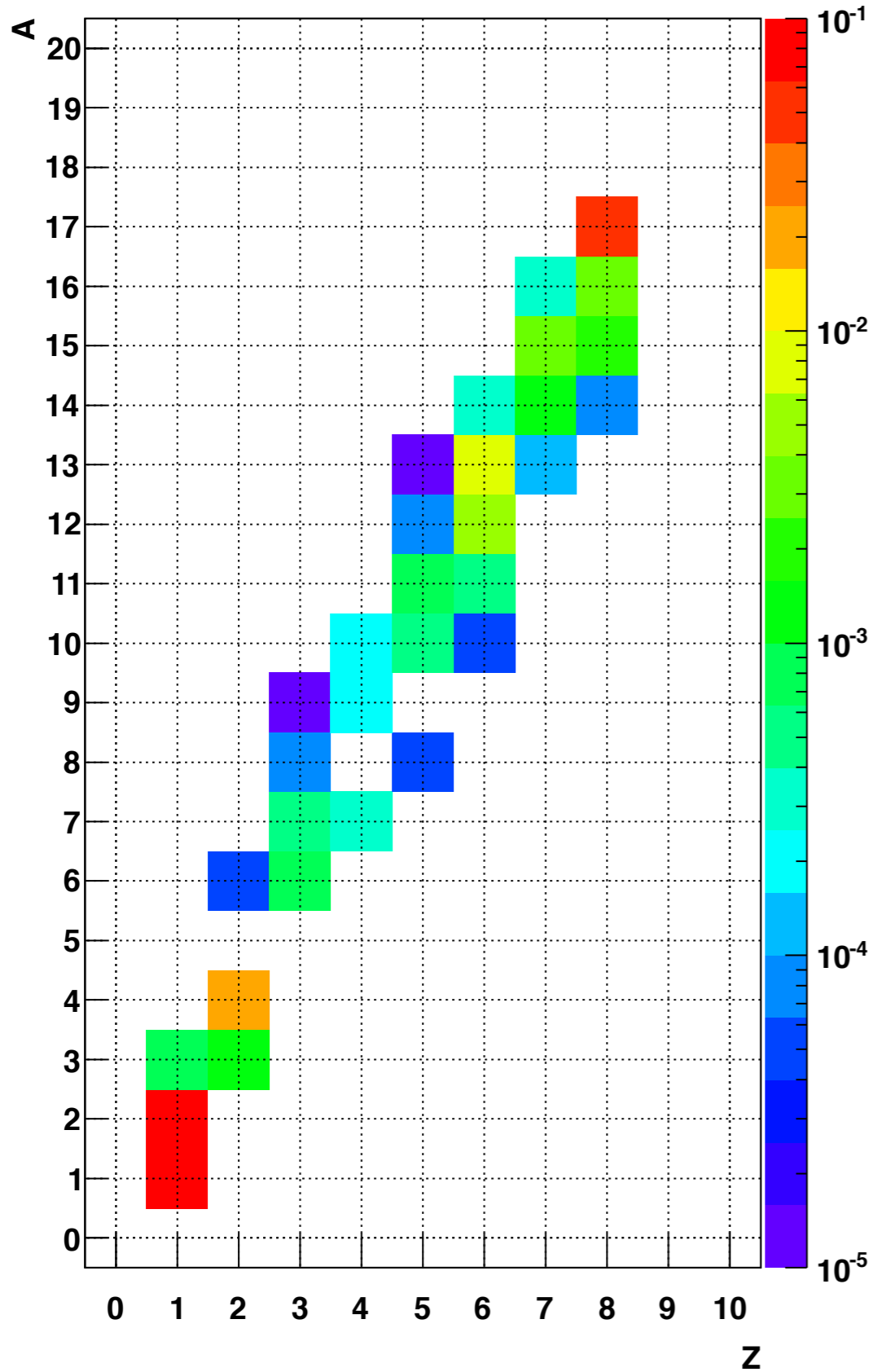
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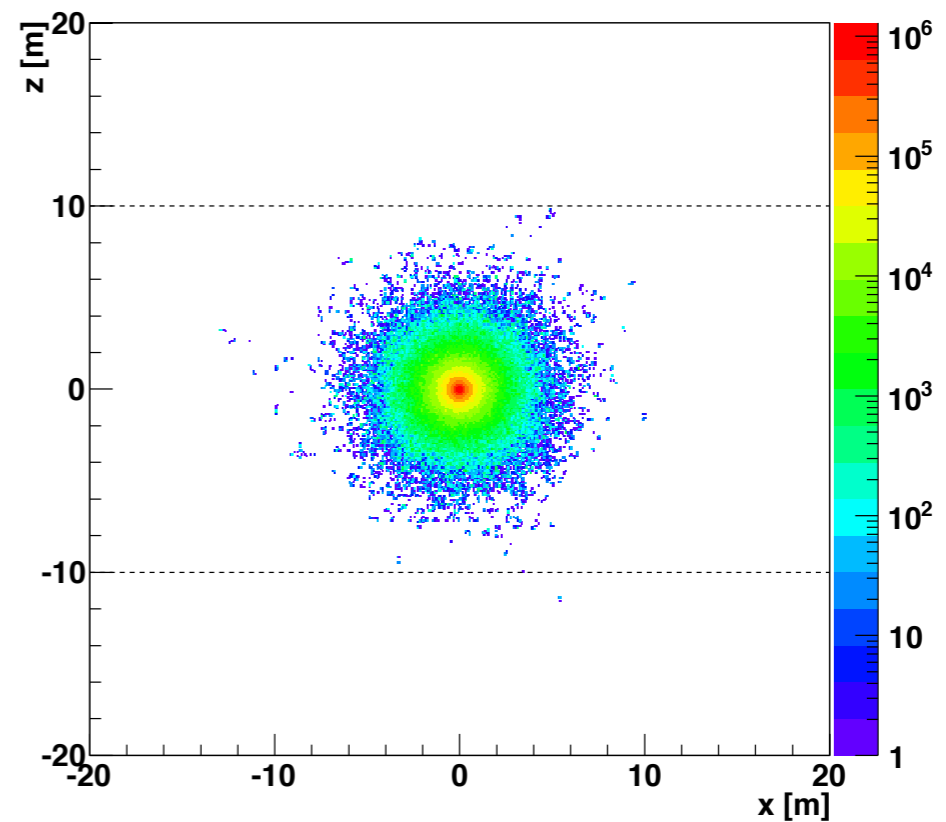
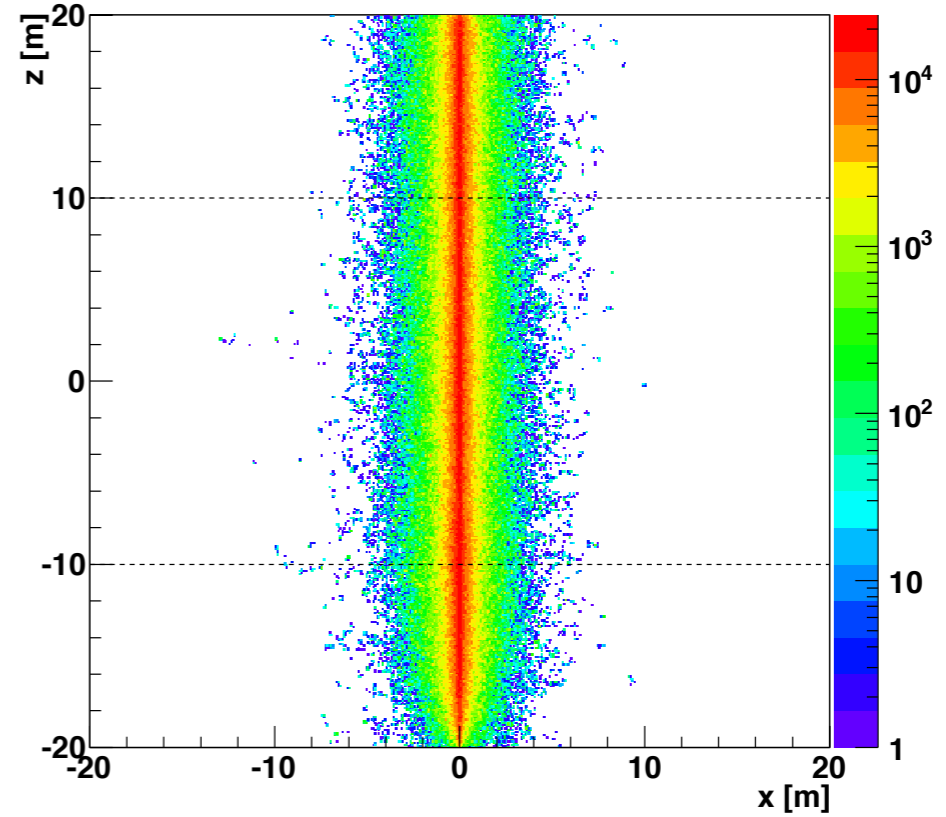
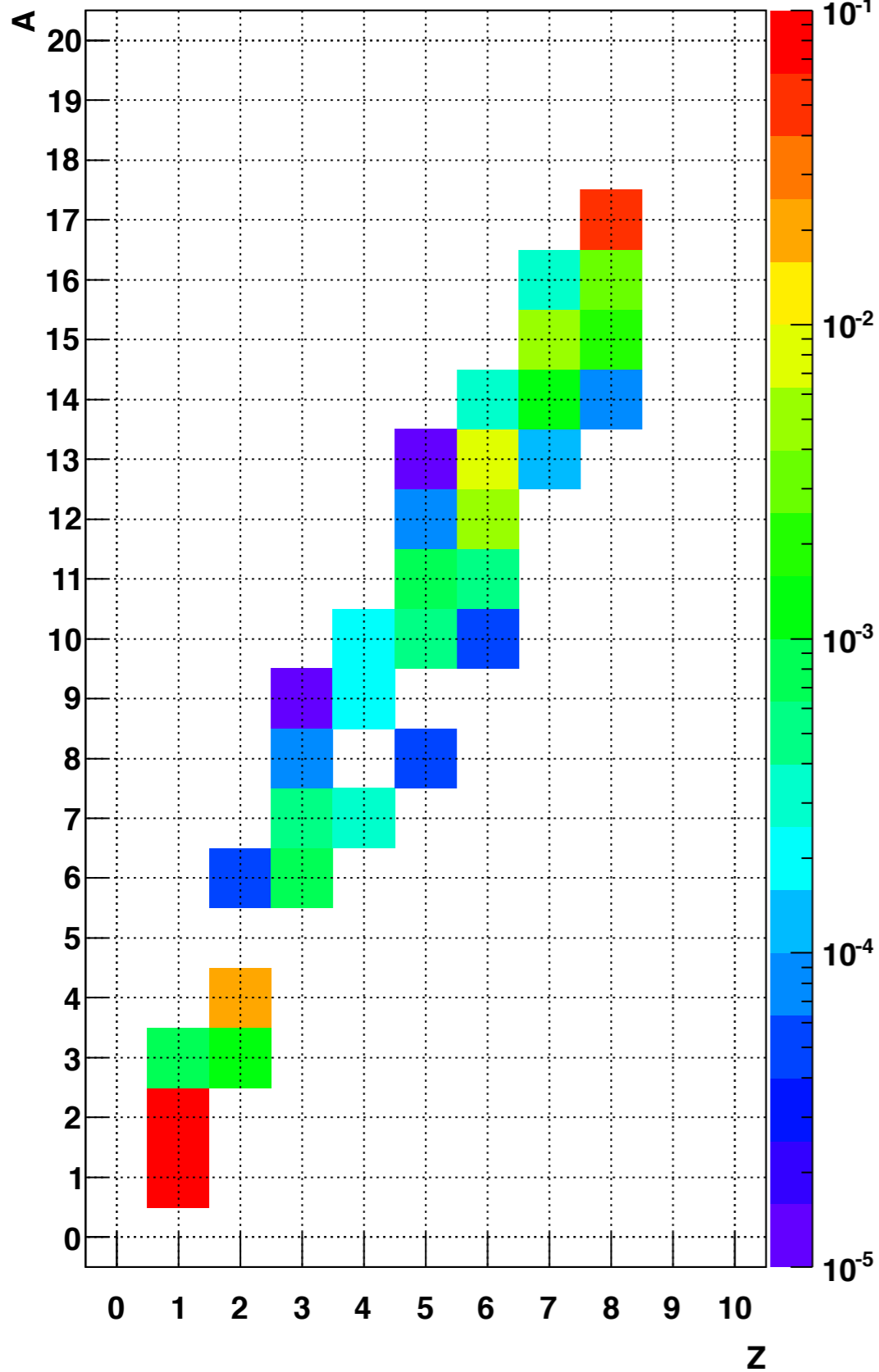
Fluka: HK μ^+

rate [μ/m]



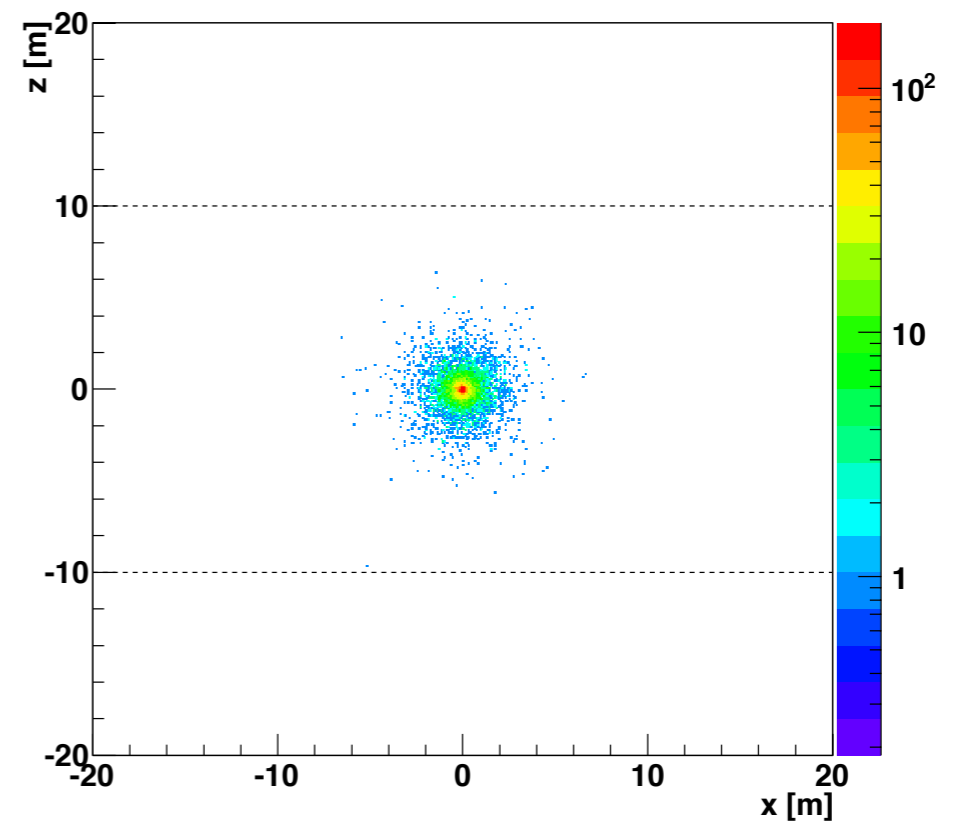
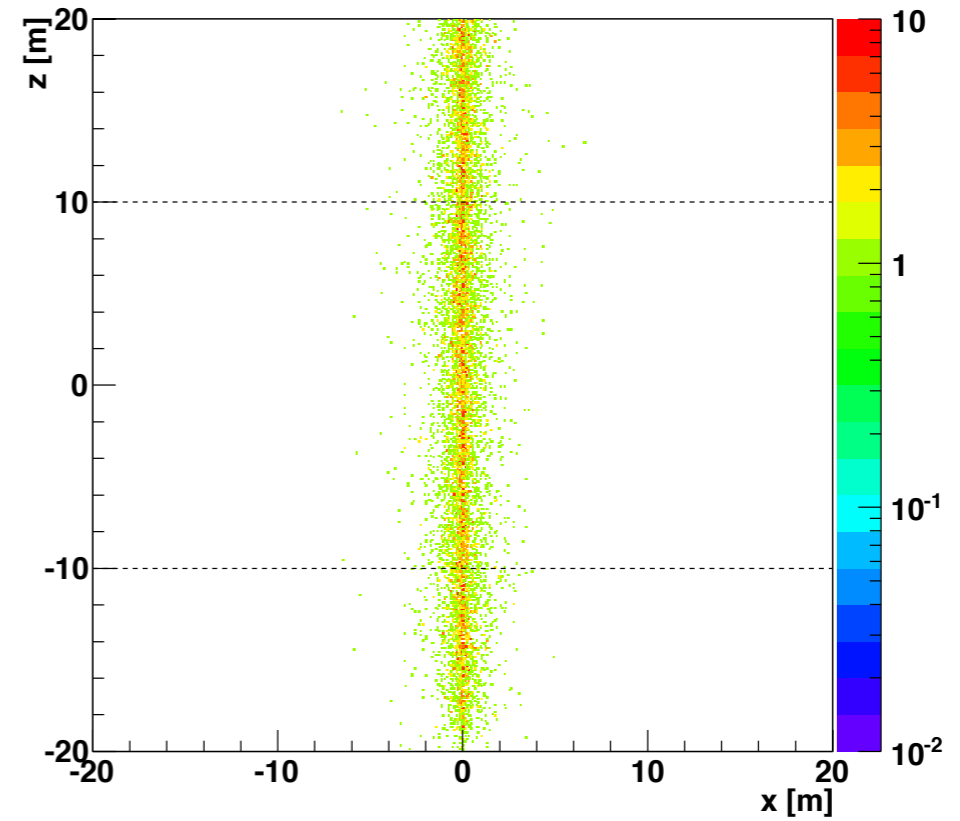
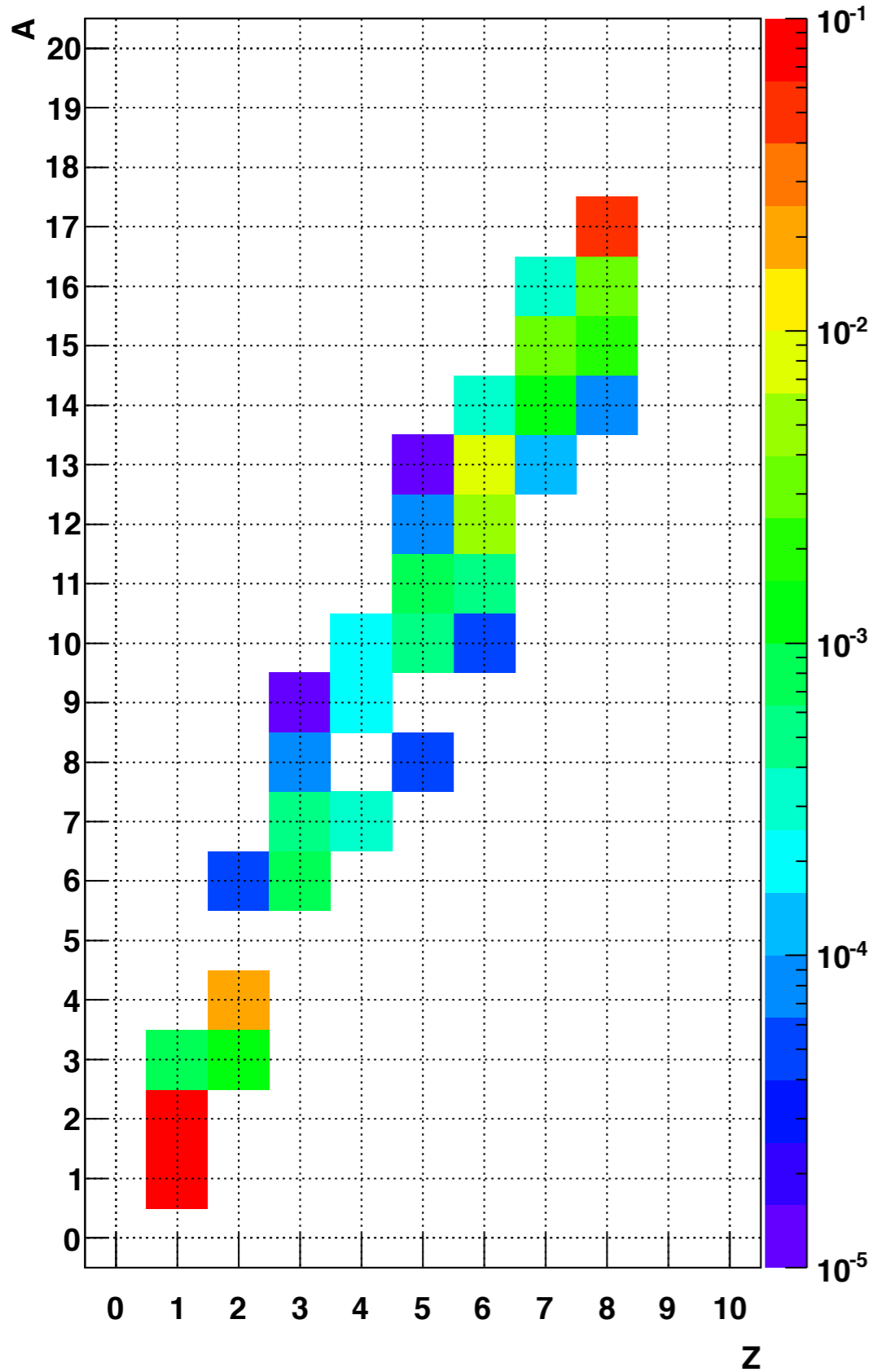
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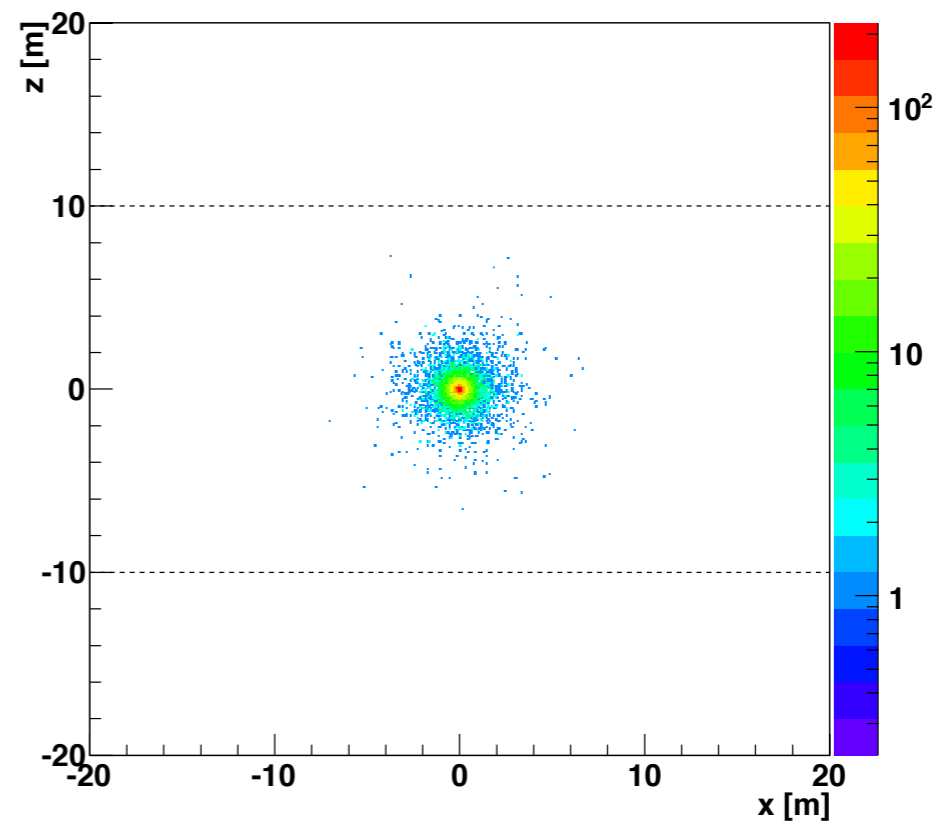
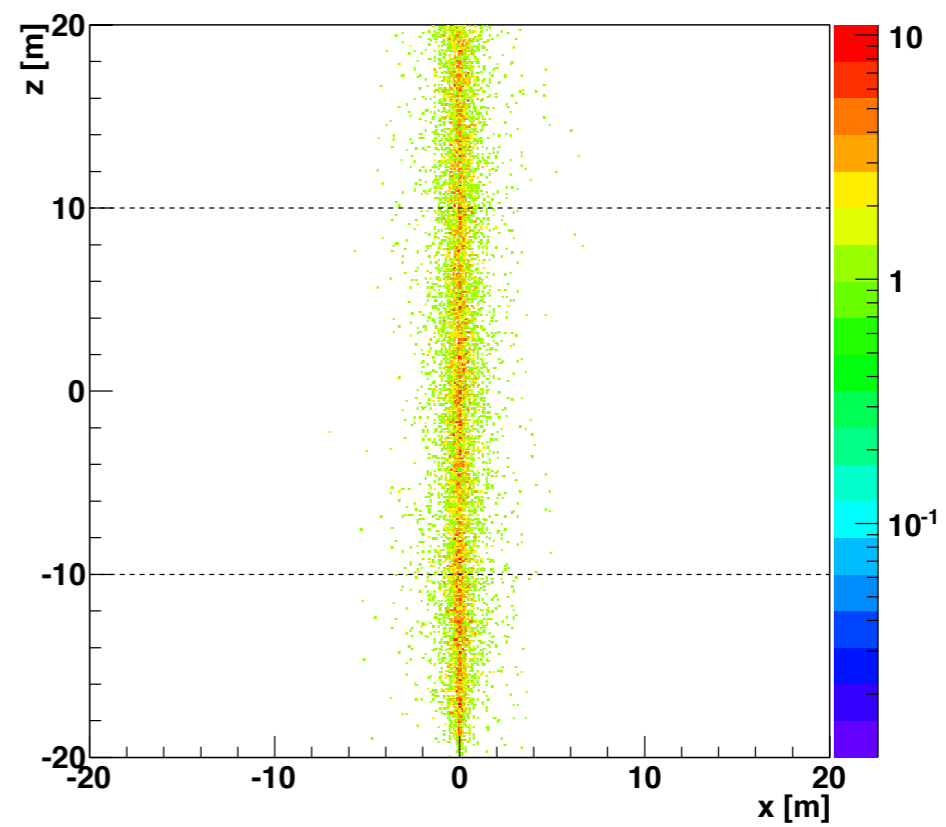
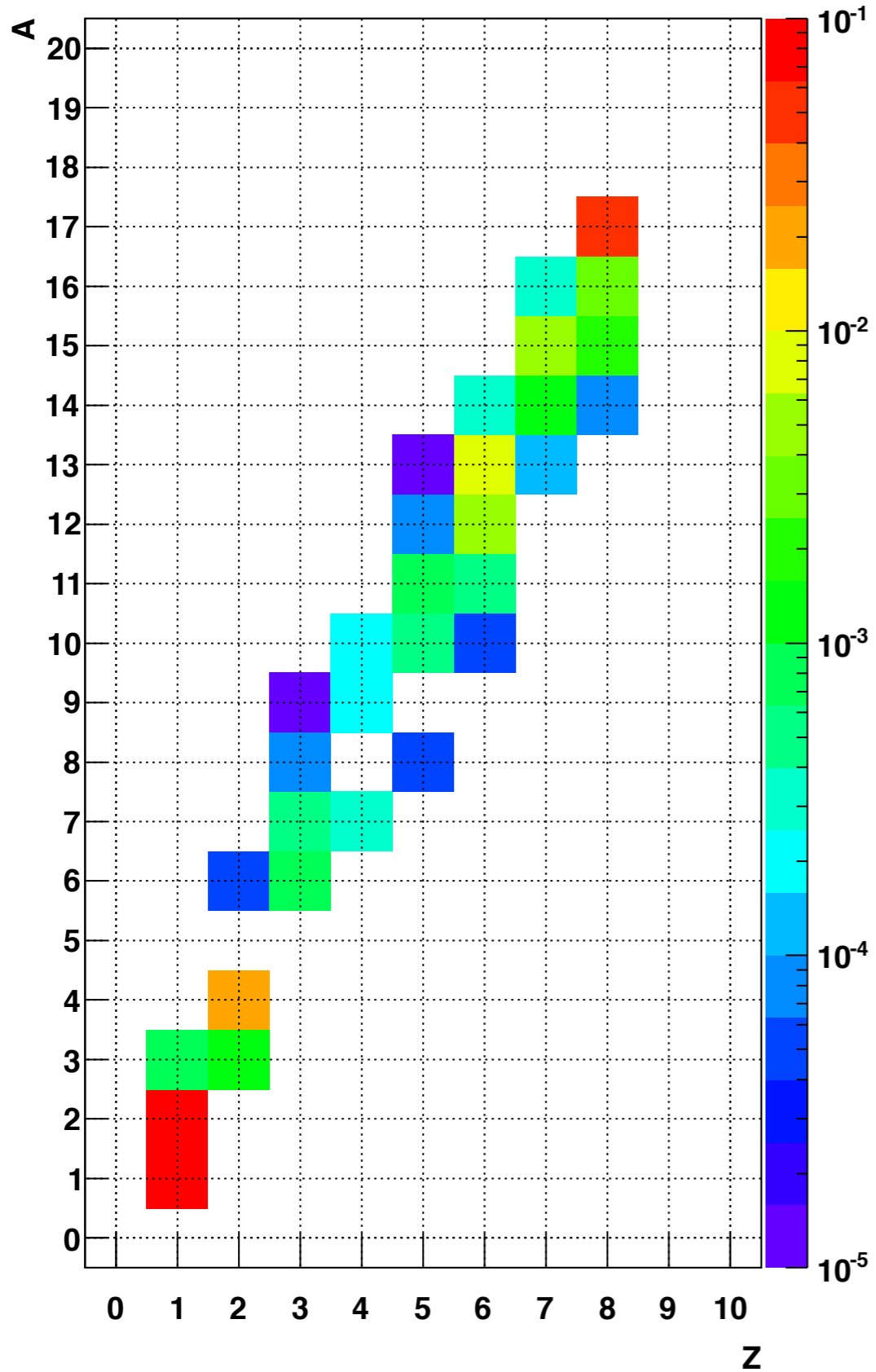
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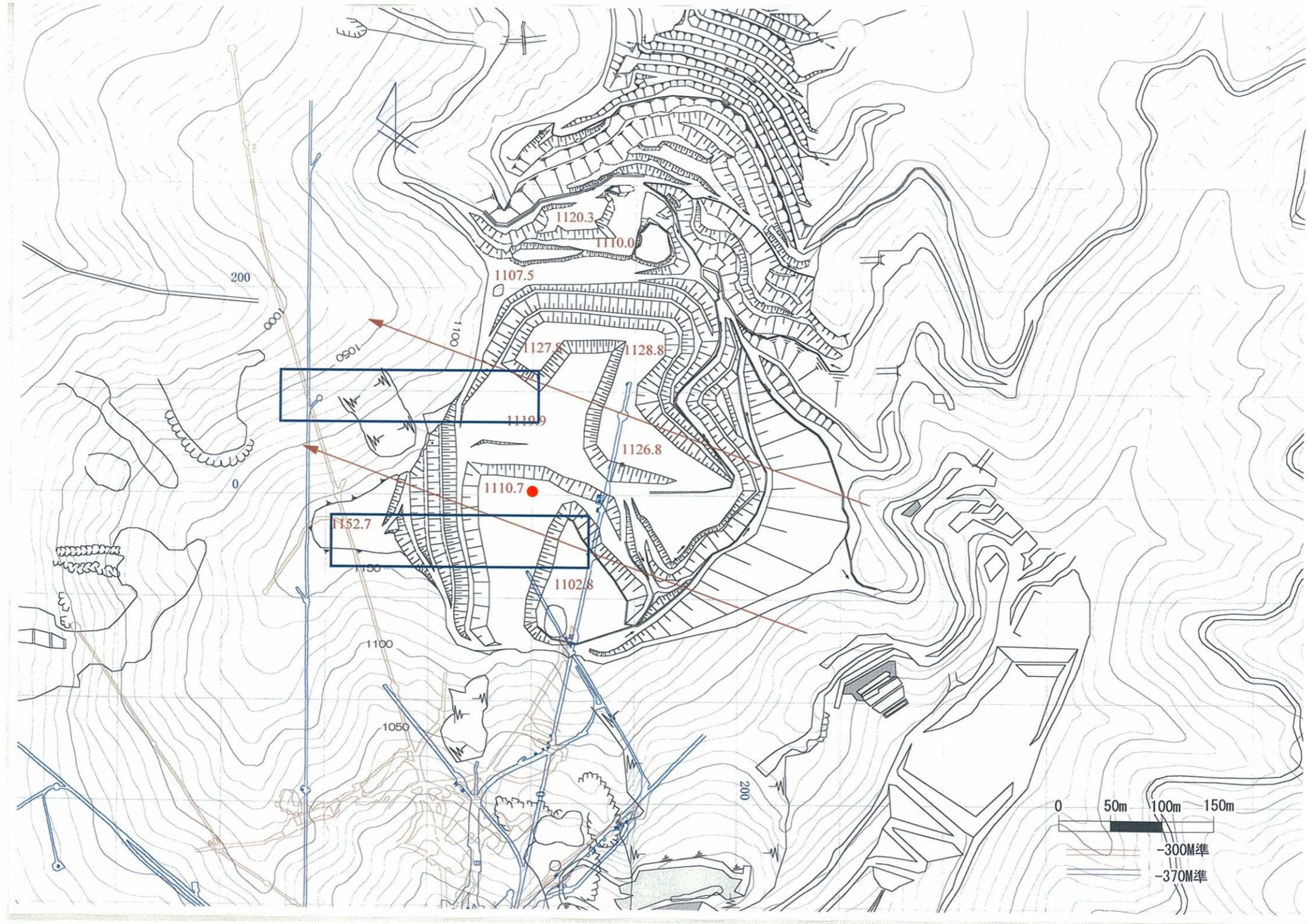


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Map provided by mine company (basing point, HK)





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