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NuInt15 summary



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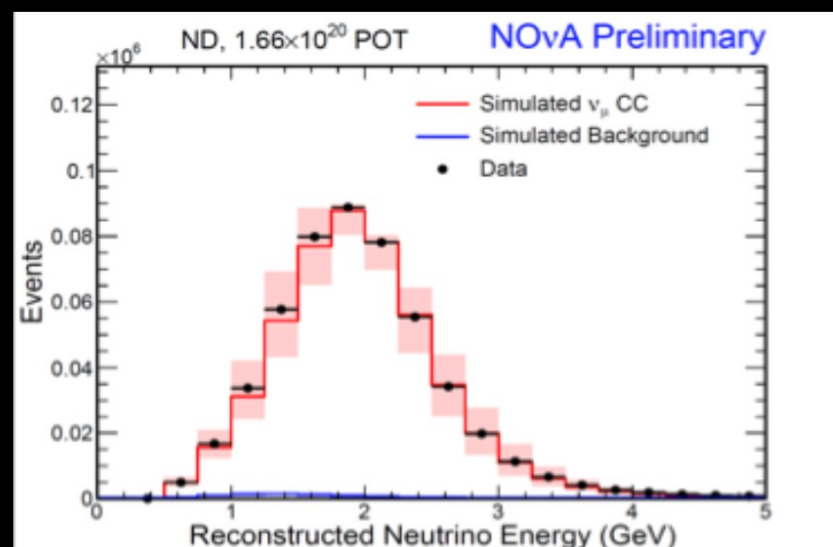
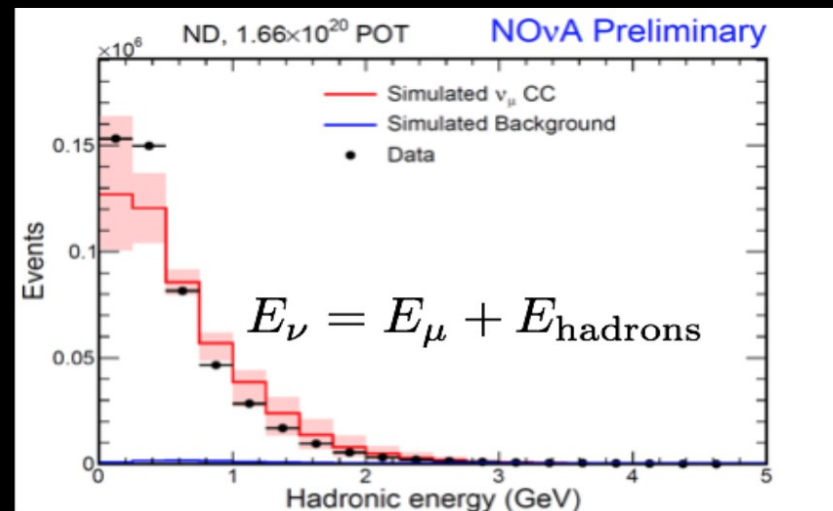
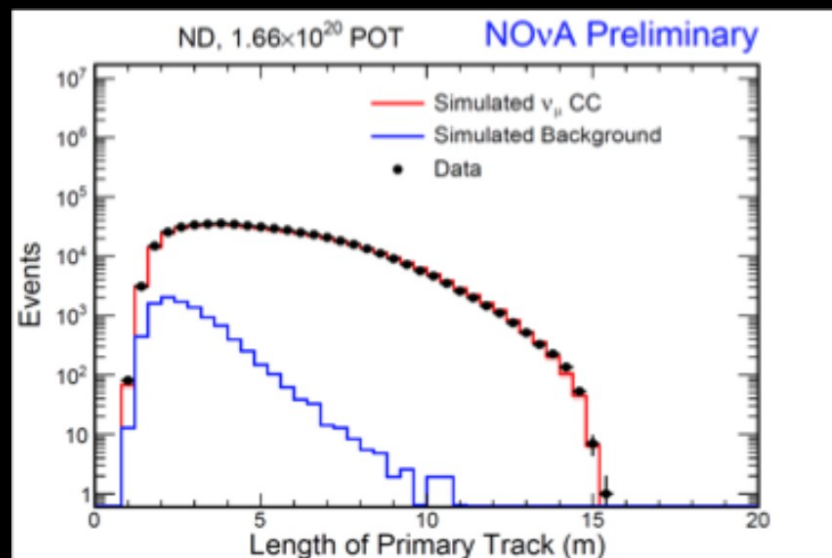
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Introduction to NuInt01 proceedings
Morfin, Sakuda, Suzuki

Its a good thing
we got an early start

NOvA's largest systematic today

E_{HAD} SYSTEMATIC

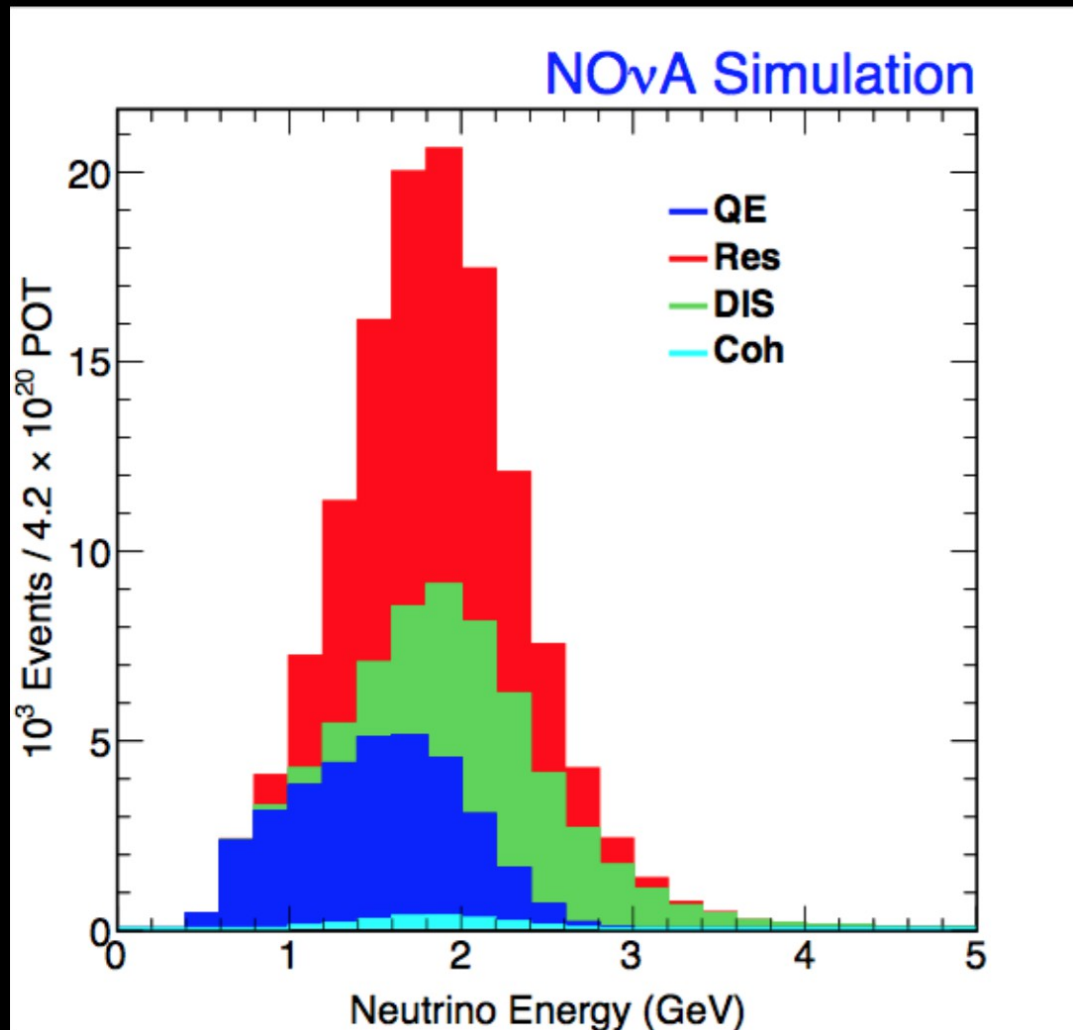


- Muon variables agree well
- Monte Carlo puts 21% more energy into hadron system than seen in data
- Recalibrated the hadronic energy scale to match peaks of the data and MC.
Correction taken as a systematic on the absolute energy scale (6% overall neutrino energy scale uncertainty).

Based on discrepancy between Near Detector data and MC
not-yet-known combination of detector, cross section types

Mathew Muether, Wichita State University

ν_μ CC INTERACTIONS



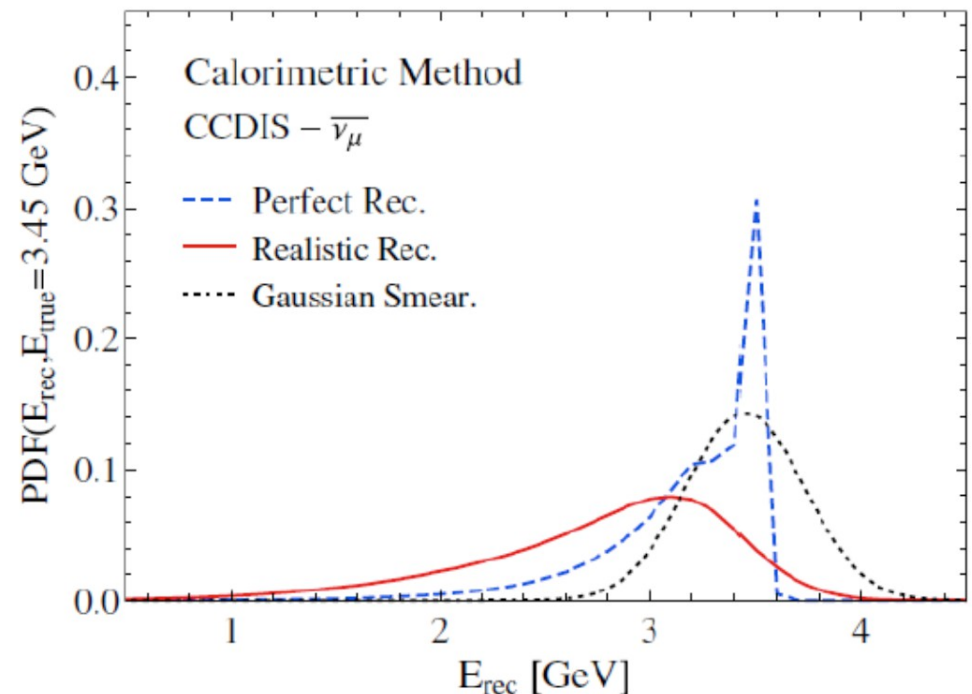
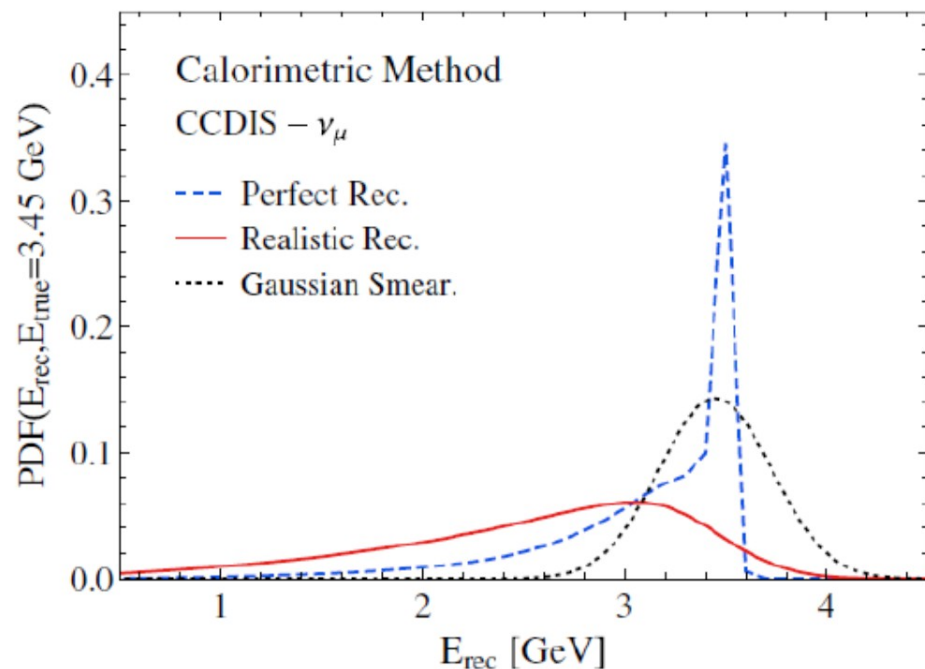
- NOvA has access to all interaction types with a narrow-band beam.

Recurring theme, multiple interaction types contribute uncertainties in each are often unique, uncorrelated

Reconstructed-energy distributions

DIS at $E=3.5$ GeV

C. Mariani



Phys. Rev. D 92, 073014 (2015)

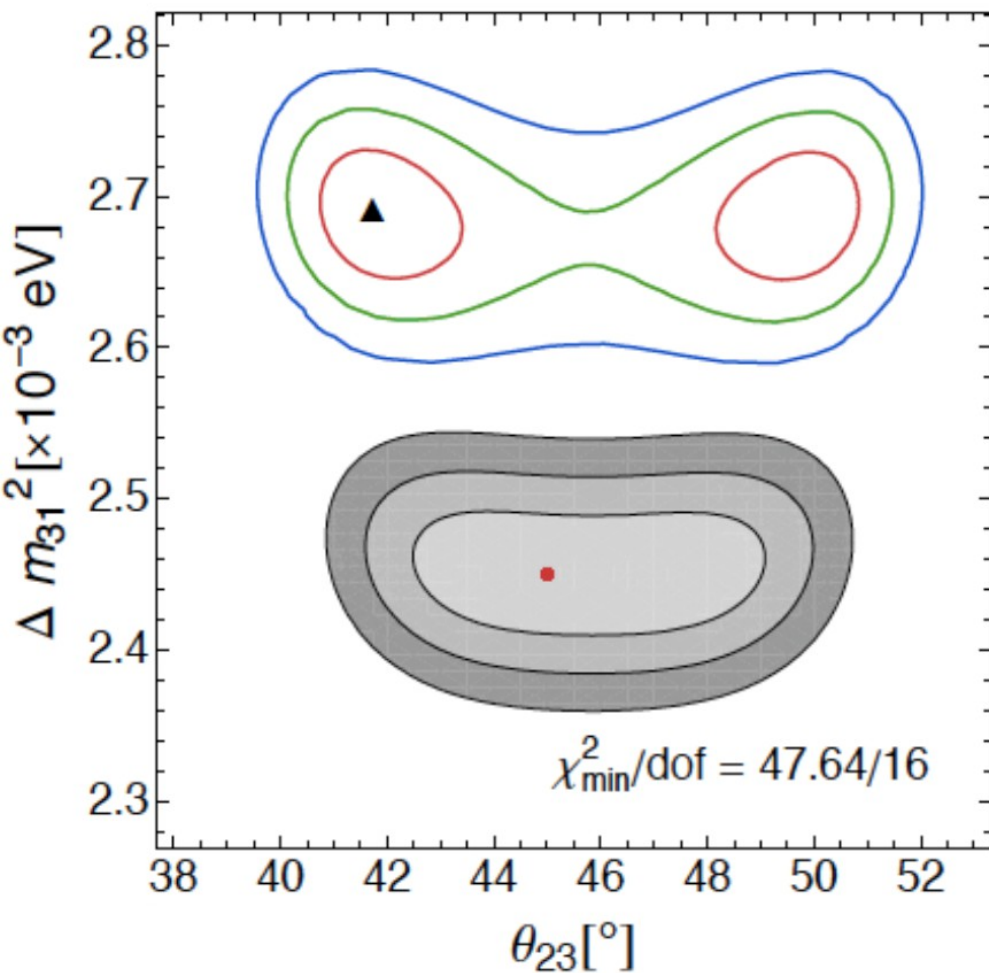
Ankowski, Benhar, Coloma, Huber, Jen, CM, Vagnoni, Meloni

Modeling/tagging neutron final states in DUNE-like experiment
Calorimetric smearing into oscillation max due to DIS

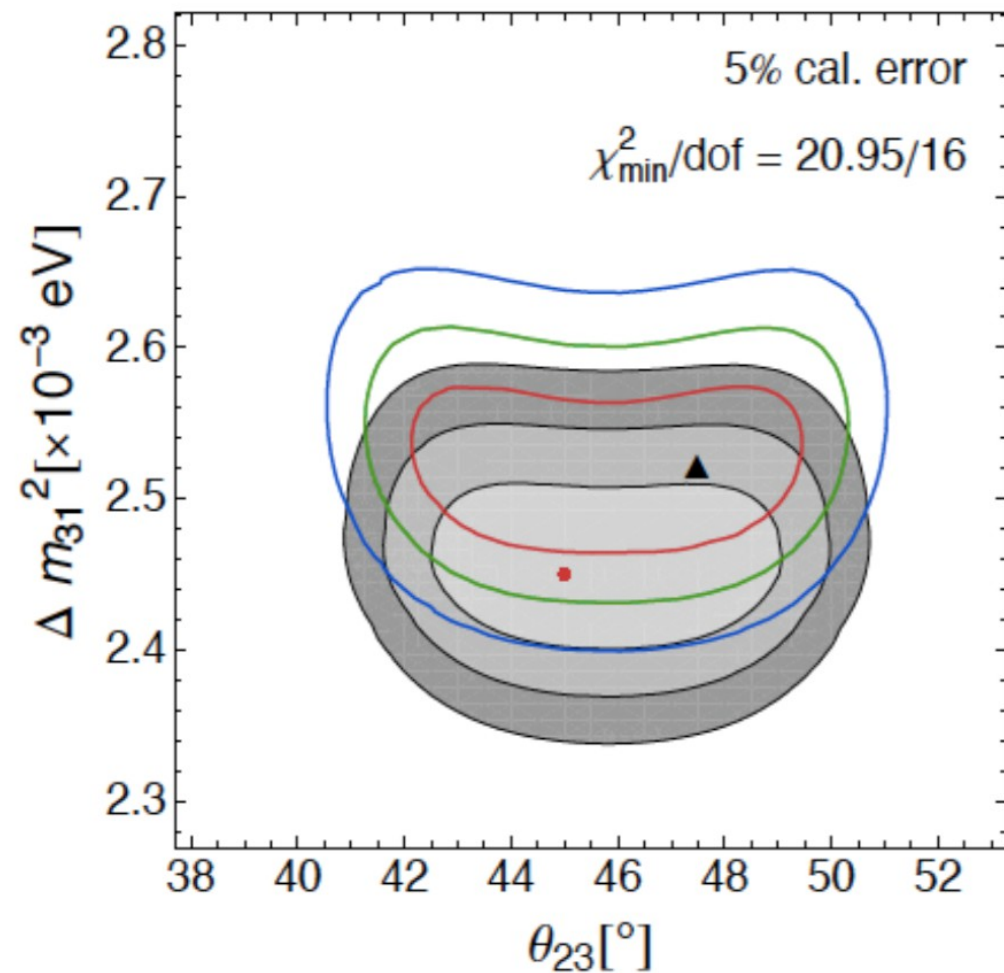
Impact on oscillation T2K/HyperK-like setup

(simulate with one neutrino interaction generator (GENIE) and fit with another generator (GiBUU))

Phys. Rev. D 89, 073015 (2014)
Coloma, Huber, Jen and CM



(a) No calibration error



(b) 5% calibration error

HyperK and DUNE

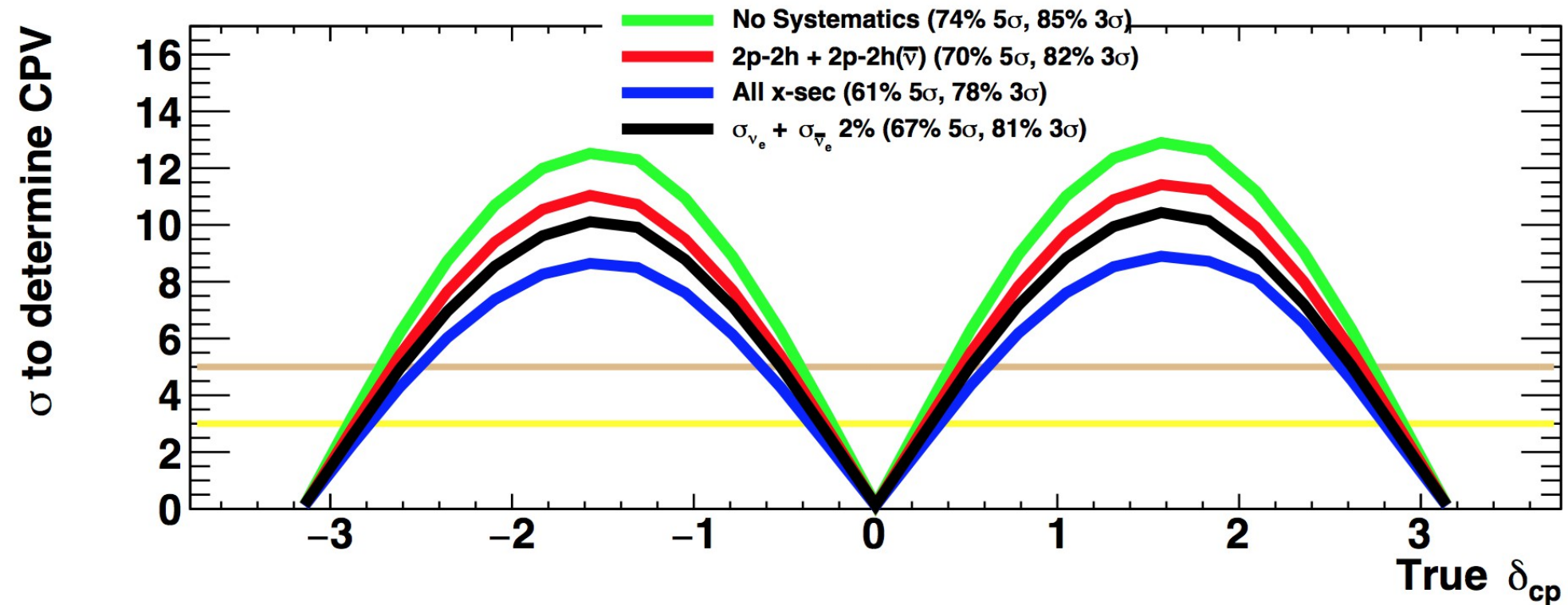
studies WITHOUT a near detector
that show what degrades CP sensitivity

If you have to optimize (make compromises)
in designing a near detector
these inform what is most valuable.

n.b. HyperK (WC) strongly favors kinematic reconstruction
DUNE (Lar) can use calorimetry and kinematics



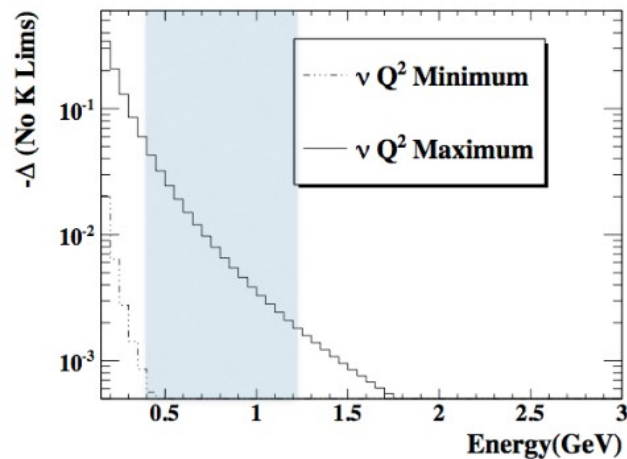
ν_e - anti ν_e + 2p-2h



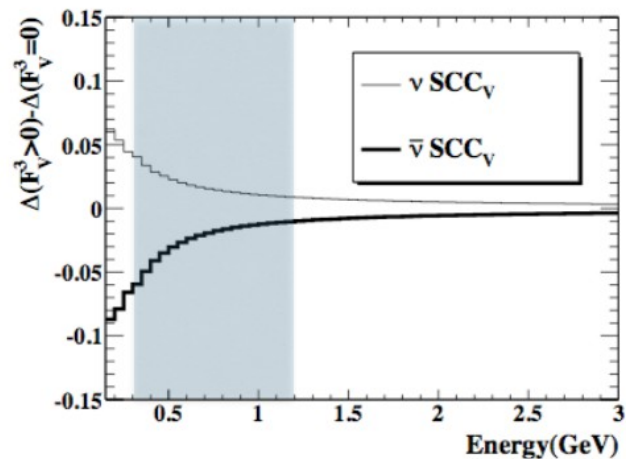
Big contribution from ν_e - anti ν_e norm 2%
 σ_{ν_e} not currently constrained by T2K ND280
100% unc. 2p-2h parameters next largest

ν_e - anti ν_e Uncertainty

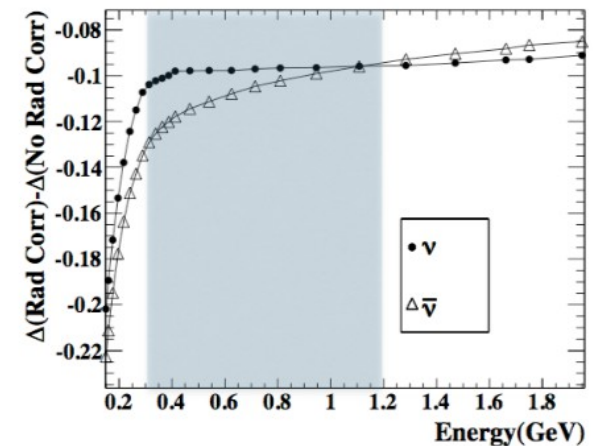
Kinematics



Second Class Currents



Radiative corrections



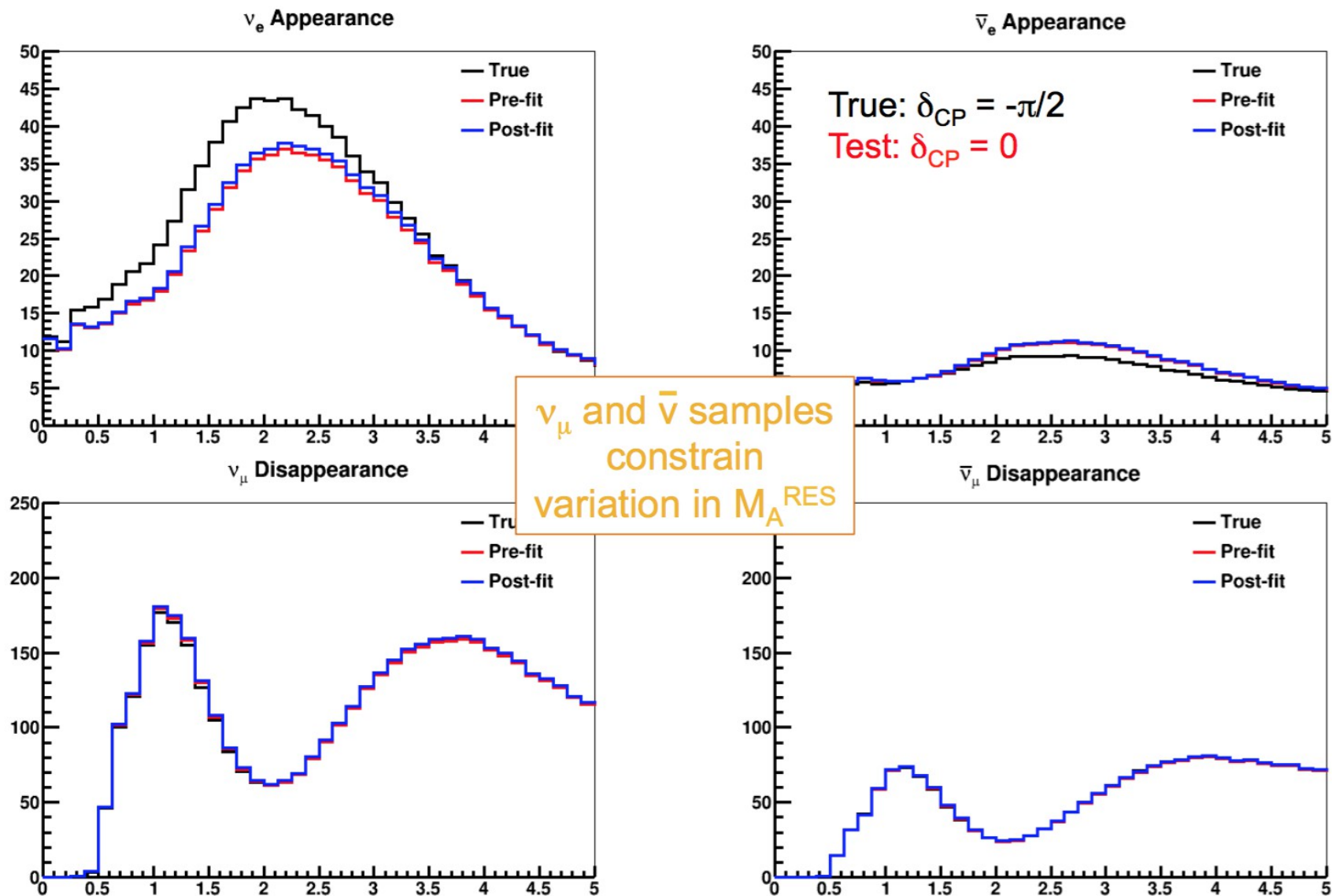
Day & McFarland (Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 053003)

Kinematic allowed region

Second class currents (anti-correlated)

Radiative corrections need to be calculated!

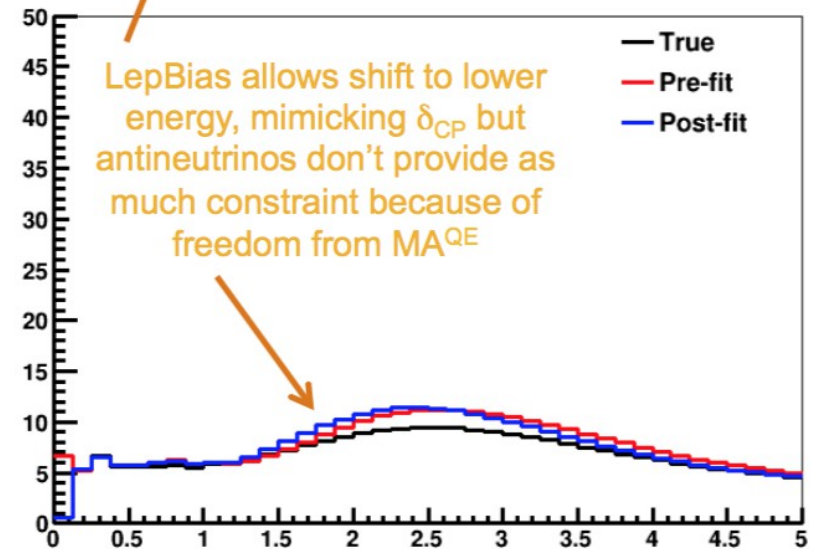
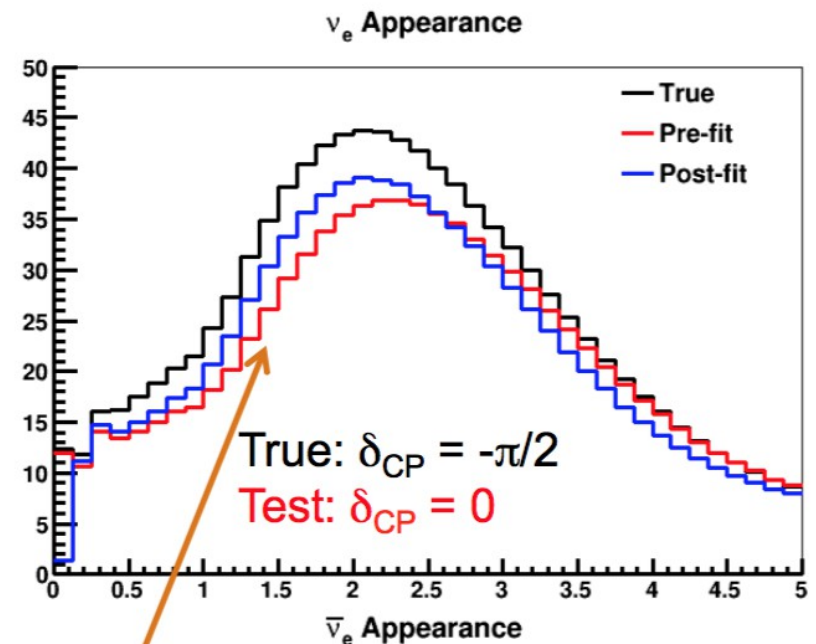
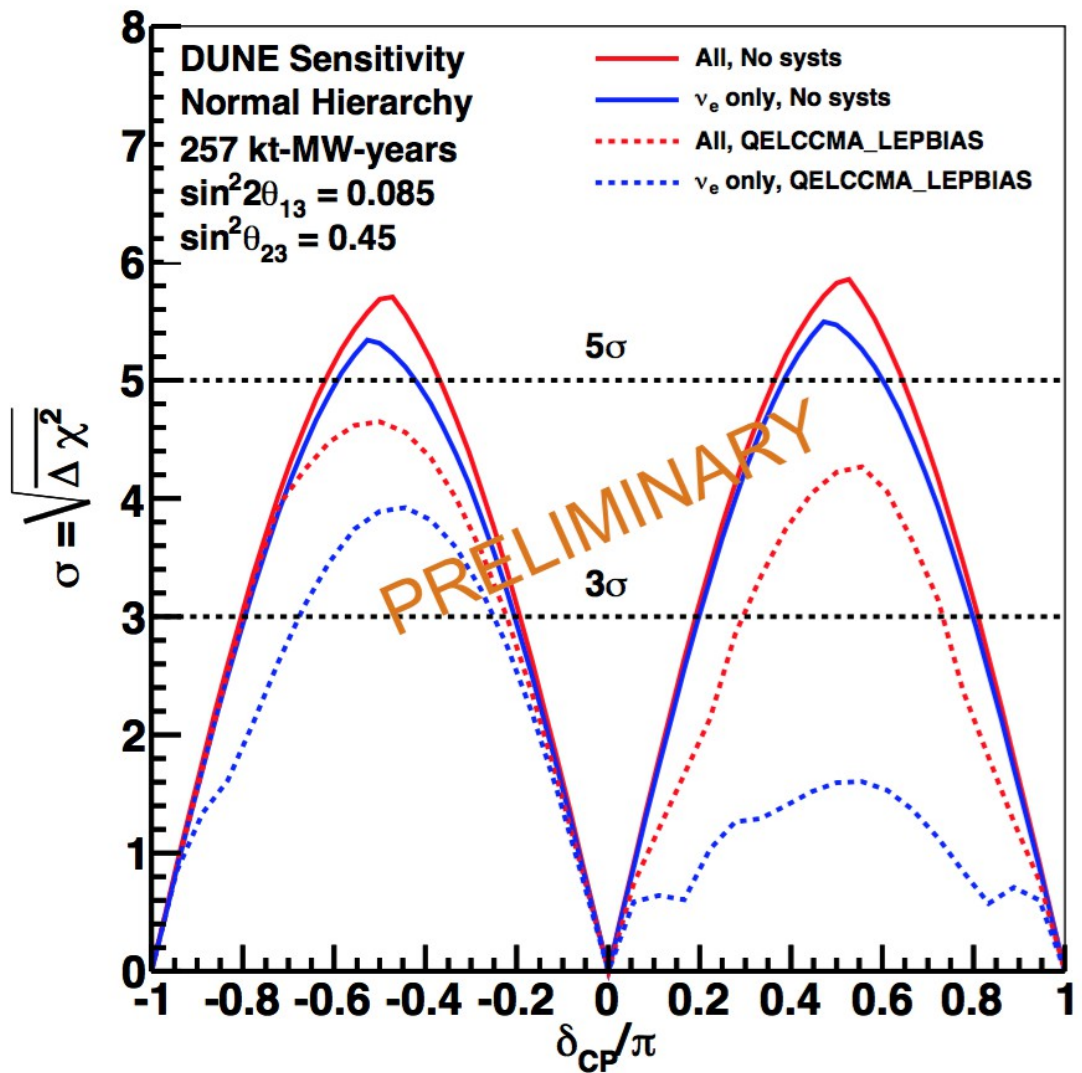
FD Interaction Constraints



Combining Effect of M_A^{QE} & Lepton Energy Bias



CP Violation Sensitivity



Both HyperK and DUNE slides previous are doing this:

Not assume near detector constraints
informs what near detector must provide
in fact, flux constraint is absolutely vital
(c.f. previous summary talk)

Not assume we learn anything about
neutrino interactions from now

Our community will learn things
these are suggestions for what is important.

Interesting exercise for some of us:
from now to NuInt2020,
how much will the uncertainties shrink?

Neutrino Energy Reconstruction

- LArTPCs enable the use of multiple E_ν definitions
- Each definition of the neutrino energy will be sensitive to different systematics

CCQE-Assumption

$$E_\nu^{QE} = \frac{m_N E_\mu - \frac{m_\mu^2}{2}}{m_N - E_\mu + p_\mu \cos \theta_\mu}$$

Calorimetric Method

$$E_\nu^{calo} = E_\mu + \sum T_p$$

Calorimetric Method with Missing pT

Phys.Rev.D90, (2014)

$$E_\nu^{calo+pT} = E_\mu + \sum T_p + E_{sep} + \sqrt{p_T^2 - M_{A-np}^2} - M_{A-np}$$

Unaffected



Slightly Biased



Highly Biased



Nucleon initial momentum

$$E_{\nu}^{calo+\cancel{p}_T}$$

*Takes into account
momentum imbalance*

$$E_{\nu}^{calo}$$

*Introduce or reduce
energy from the system*

$$E_{\nu}^{QE}$$

*Assumes stationary
nucleons for QE*

2p2h reactions

$$E_{\nu}^{calo+\cancel{p}_T}$$

*By correcting for the
missing p_T these event
will be balanced*

$$E_{\nu}^{calo}$$

*The introduction of energy
not due to the neutrino
will introduce a bias*

$$E_{\nu}^{QE}$$

*Assumes scattering of
single nucleon*

Qualitative examples

Joseph Zennamo
Fermilab Short Baseline Program

Final State Interactions

$$E_{\nu}^{calo+\cancel{p}_T}$$

*Missing energy creates
a bias but missing p_T
correction reduces impact*

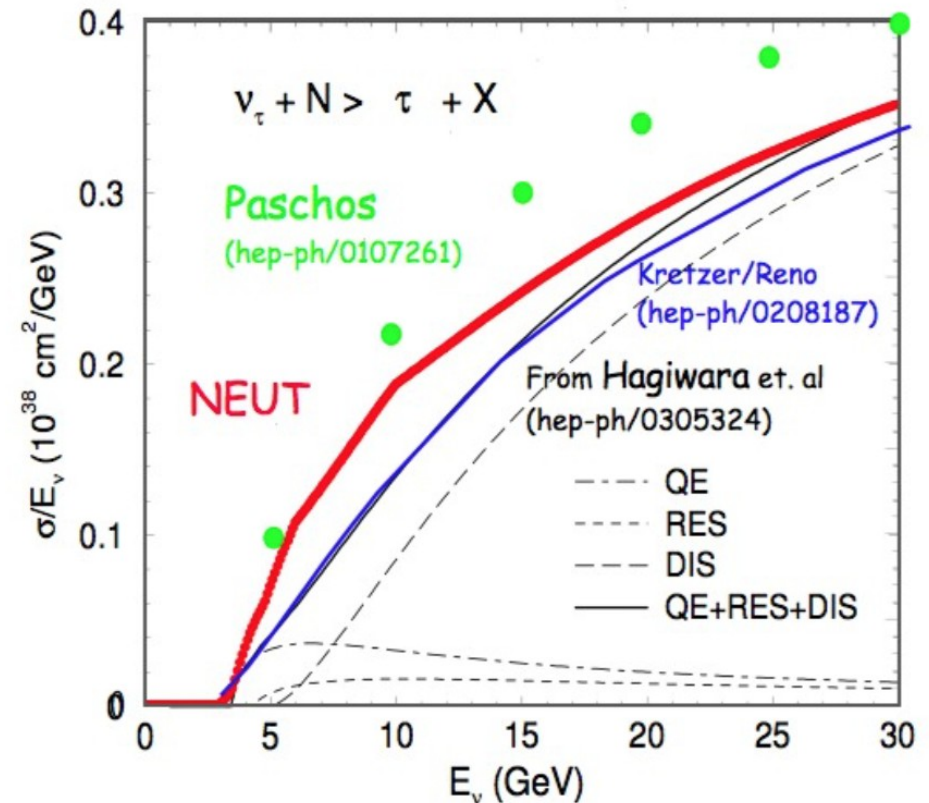
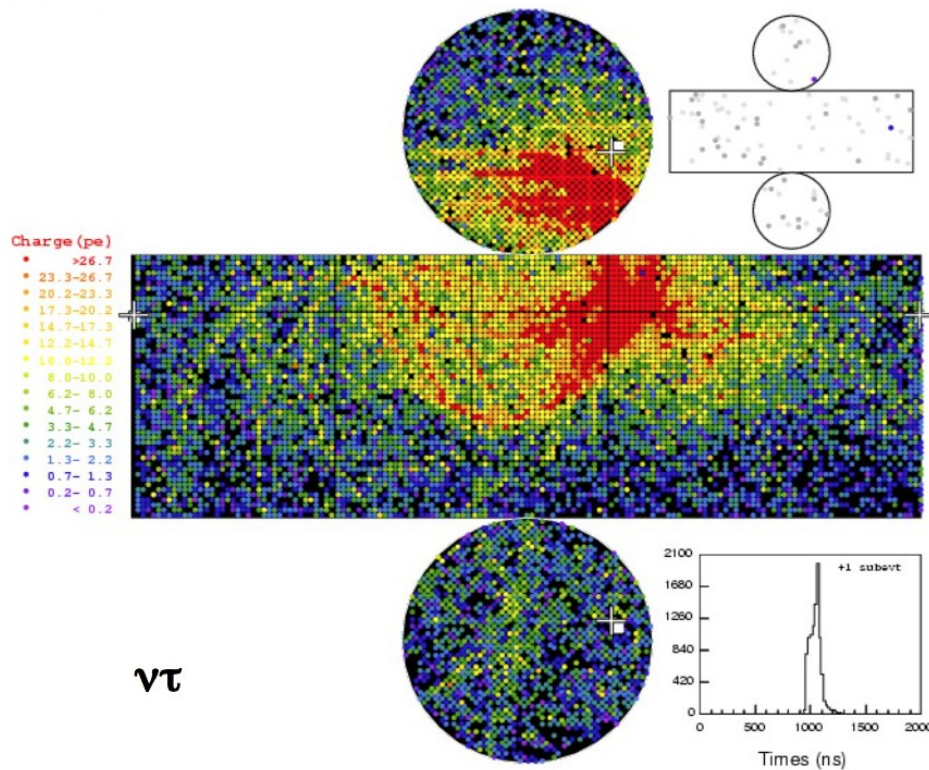
$$E_{\nu}^{calo}$$

*No missing p_T correction
so full impact on missing
energy*

$$E_{\nu}^{QE}$$

*If the event is truly CCQE
then only the lepton matters
but could hide true topology*

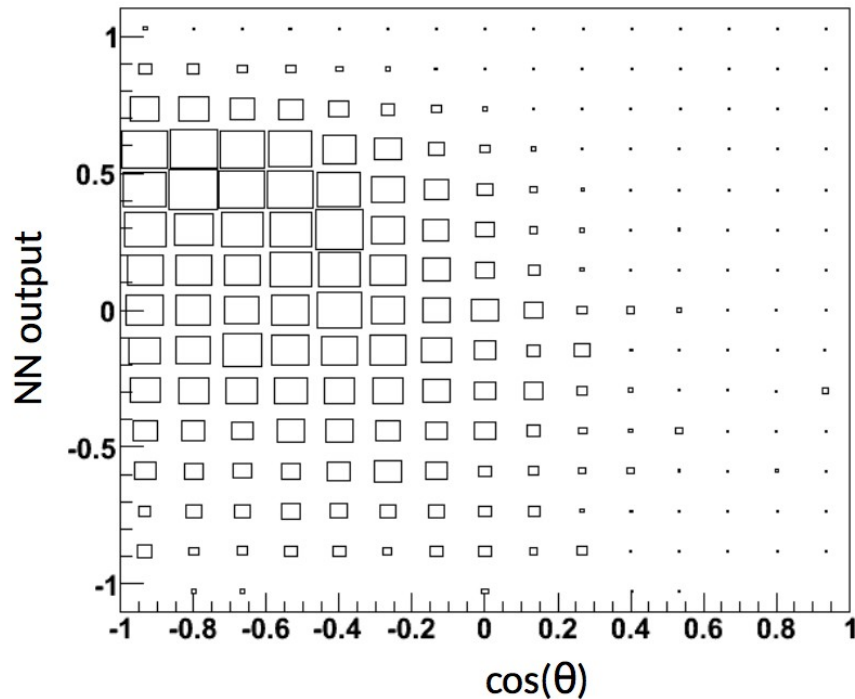
Tau Background For Mass Hierarchy Error



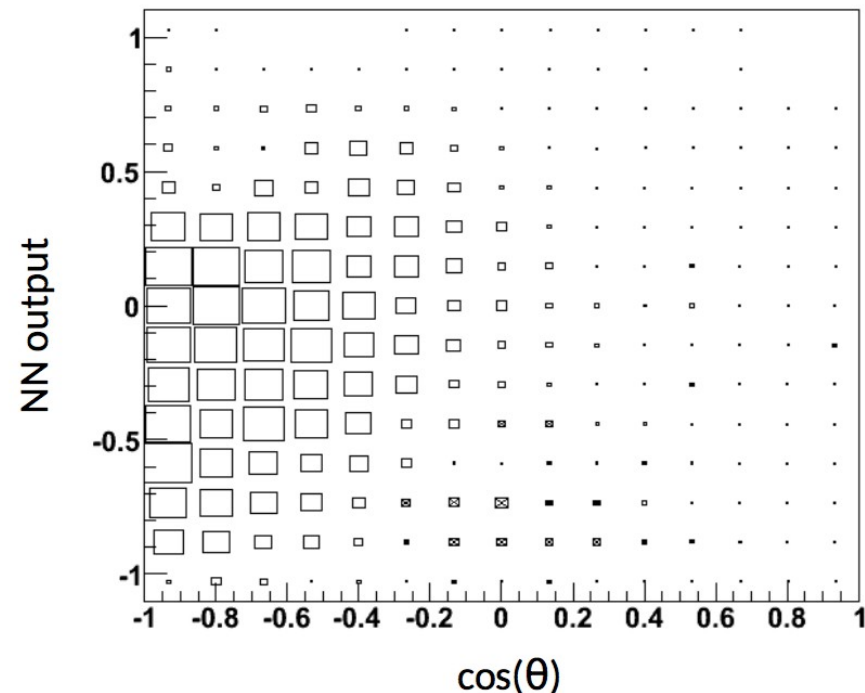
- Many events in the MH energy region are DIS
 - Means many rings
- Hadronic tau decays will produce many visible particles
 - decay is prompt and granularity of the detector is not enough to resolve the tau
 - Many overlapping rings tend to look like electron neutrinos
- Currently the cross section is assigned an uncertainty of 25%, based on model comparisons

Tau Cross Section Error Mitigation

CC $\nu\tau$ Events



Mass Hierarchy Sensitive ν_e Events



- Currently this error is constrained only somewhat using sidebands in the SK analysis
- However, in a separate analysis CC $\nu\tau$ interactions have been identified in the SK data at 3.8σ
 - Method is based on a neural network which works to identify hadronic τ decays
- This information can be incorporated into the oscillation analysis to further mitigate the effect of these events (work in progress)

MAIN (EFFICIENCY) UNCERTAINT

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Nowak

Proton Decay

- Nuclear effects – meson (π , η , ω) nuclear effects affect the detection efficiency. The biggest error source
- π nuclear effect – the systematics obtained from comparison between two models (as there is no suitable data). Detection efficiency depends on the probability for the π to escape without any scattering.
- Fraction of NN-correlated decays -10% of the decays are assumed to come from nucleon correlated to another nucleon (3 body decay). That leads to lower detection efficiency.
- Fermi motion – modeling of the nucleon momenta

Uncertainties for detection efficiency Phys.RevD85,112001

Mode	Meson nuclear effect	Hadron propagation in water	N-N correlated decay	Fermi momentum	Detector performances	Total
$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$	15%	...	7%	8%	4%	19%
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^0$	15%	...	7%	8%	4%	19%

BACKGROUND AND EFFICIENCY

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Proton Decay

		Super-K Water Ch.		LAr (generic)	
Mode		Efficiency	BG Rate (/Mt y)	Efficiency	BG Rate (/Mt y)
B-L	$e^+\pi^0$	45%	2	45%	1
	νK^+	16%	7	97%	1
	$\mu^+ K^0$	10%	5-10	47%	<2
B+L	$\mu^- \pi^+ K^+$?	?	97%	1
	$e^- K^+$	10%	3	96%	<2
$\Delta B=2$	$n \bar{n}$	12%	260	?	?

Rough and unofficial
SK efficiency & BG - ETK

A. Bueno et al.
hep-ph/0701101

Estimate for water Cherenkov: [Kearns \(Snowmass, 2013\)](#).

For LAr: [LBNE Collaboration, arXiv:1307.7335v3](#) based on [Bueno et al. JHEP04 \(2007\) 041](#).

Several decay modes with high efficiency and low background in LAr.

Summary

Different measurements

Many different uncertainties