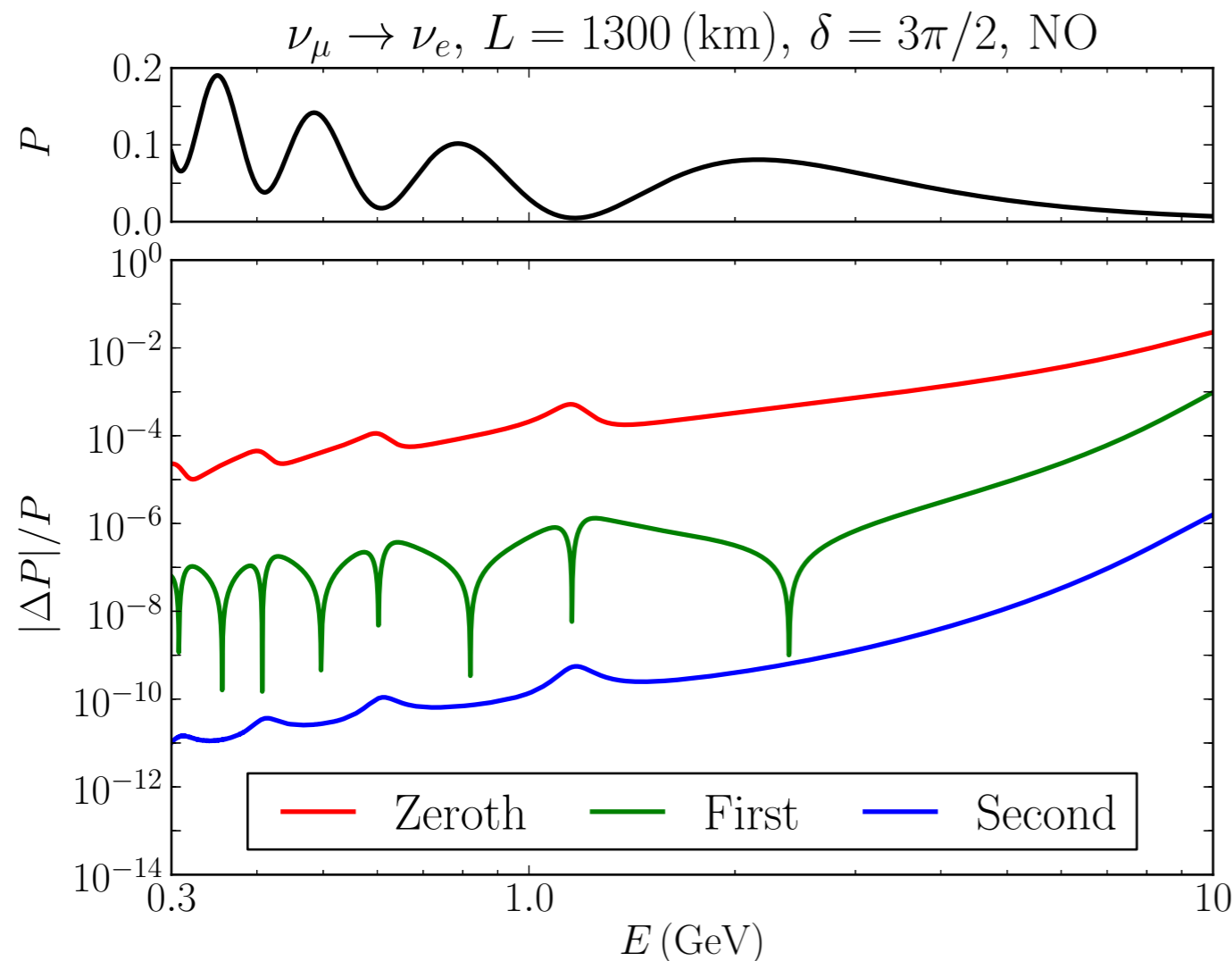




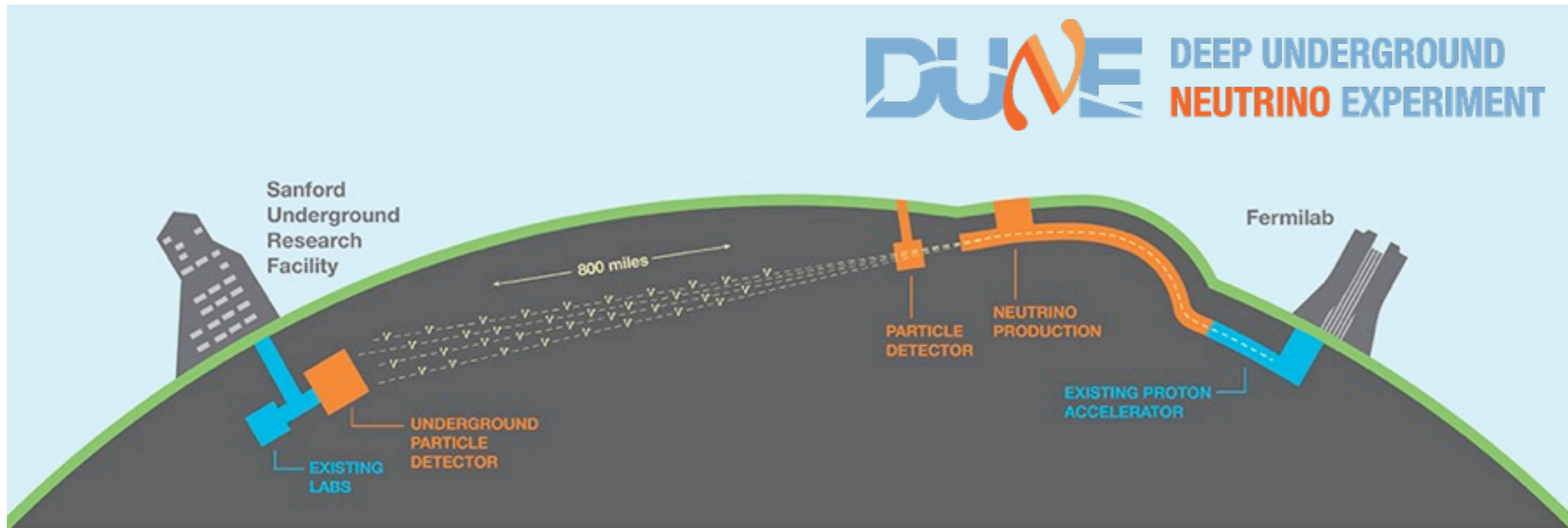
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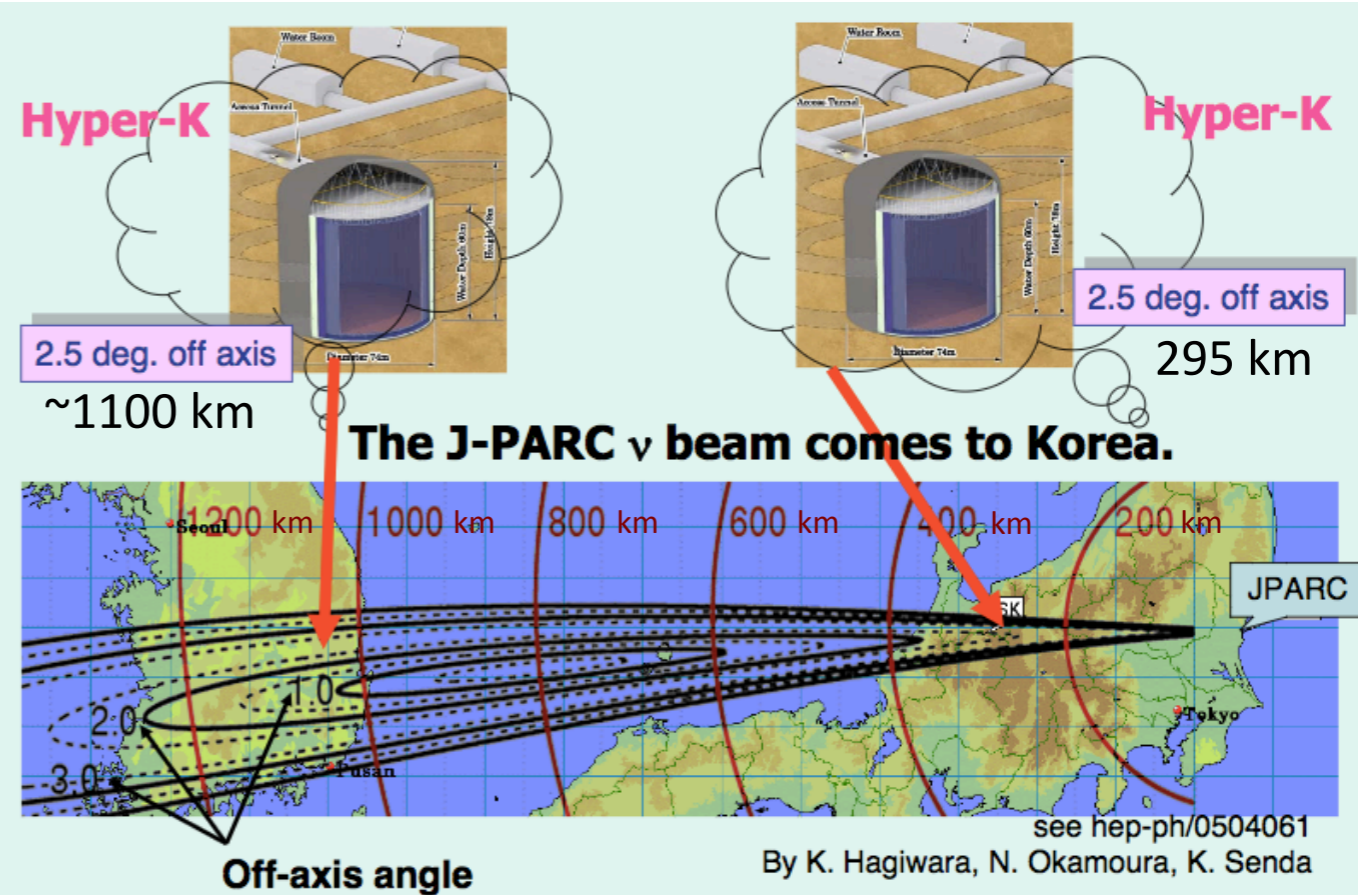
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3 flavor

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if $\rho Y_e = 1.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$ and $E = 10 \text{ GeV}$ then $a \approx \Delta m_{31}^2$

$E = 300 \text{ MeV}$ then $a \approx \Delta m_{21}^2$



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eg Kimura Takamura & Yokomakura PLB, PRD 2002



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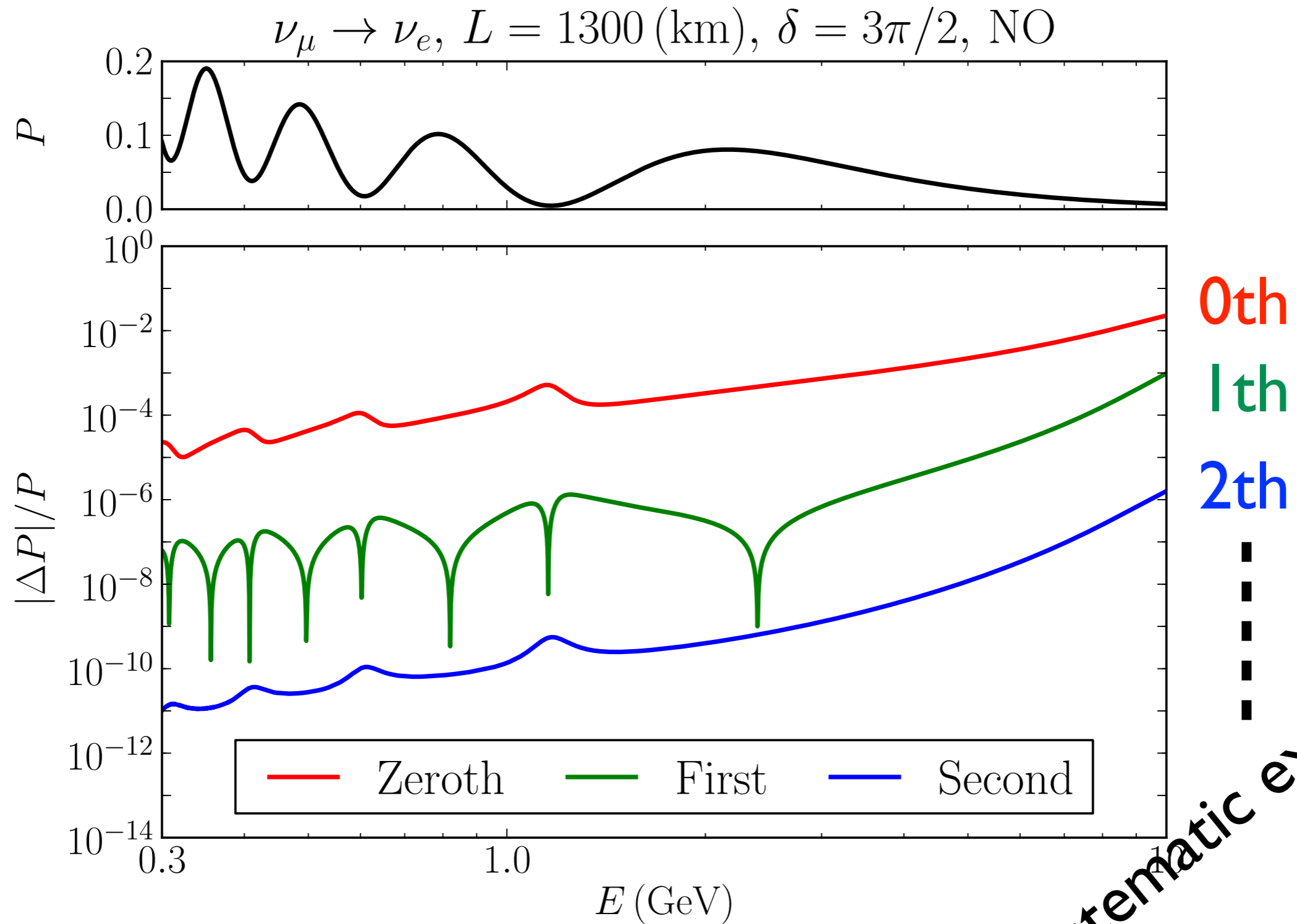
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- Treat θ_{13} exactly first, then do perturbation theory in

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New Perturbation Theory for Osc. Probabilities





Hamiltonian:

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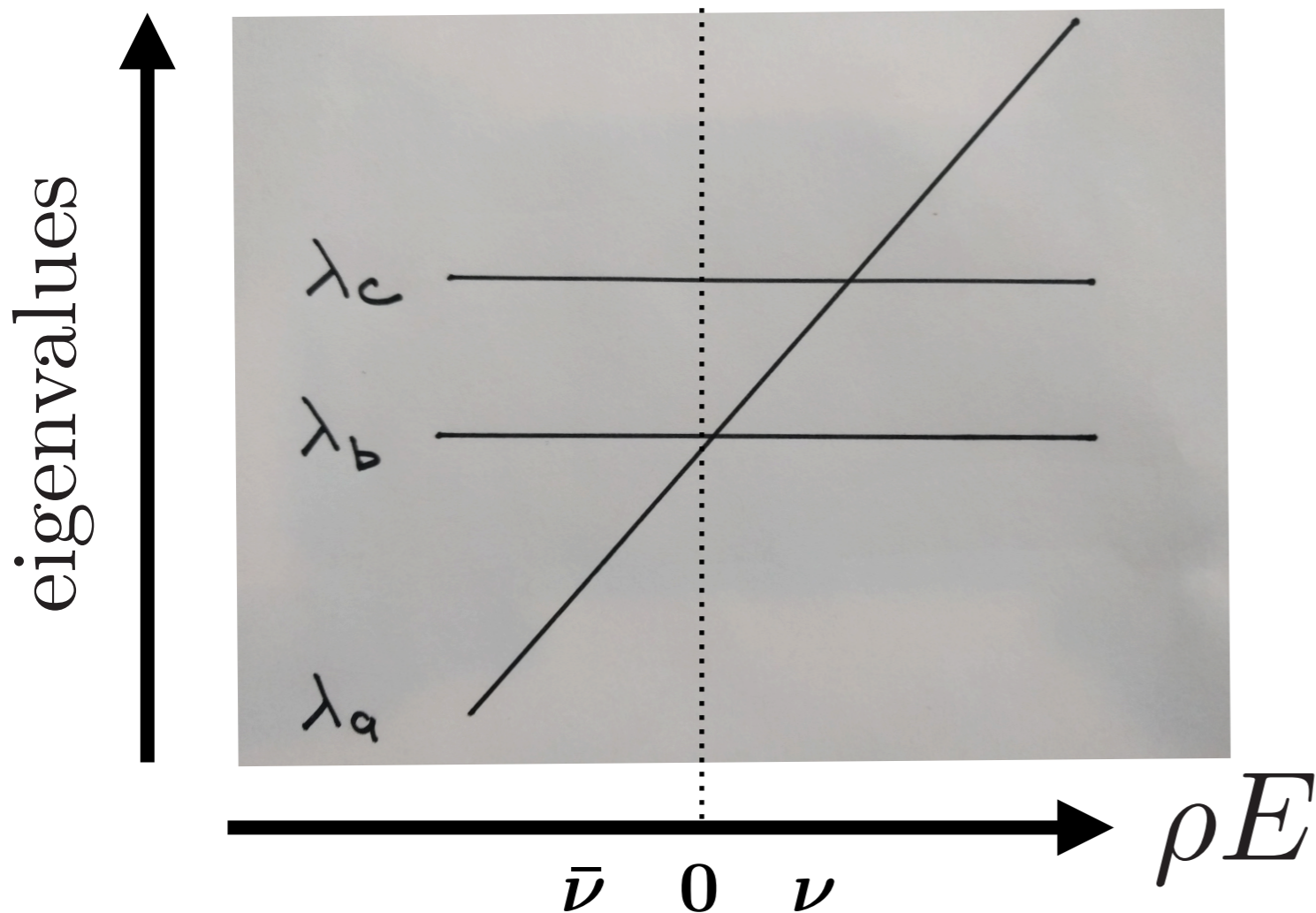
Rewrite as $H = H_0 + H_1$

where H_0 is diagonal

and H_1 is off-diagonal.



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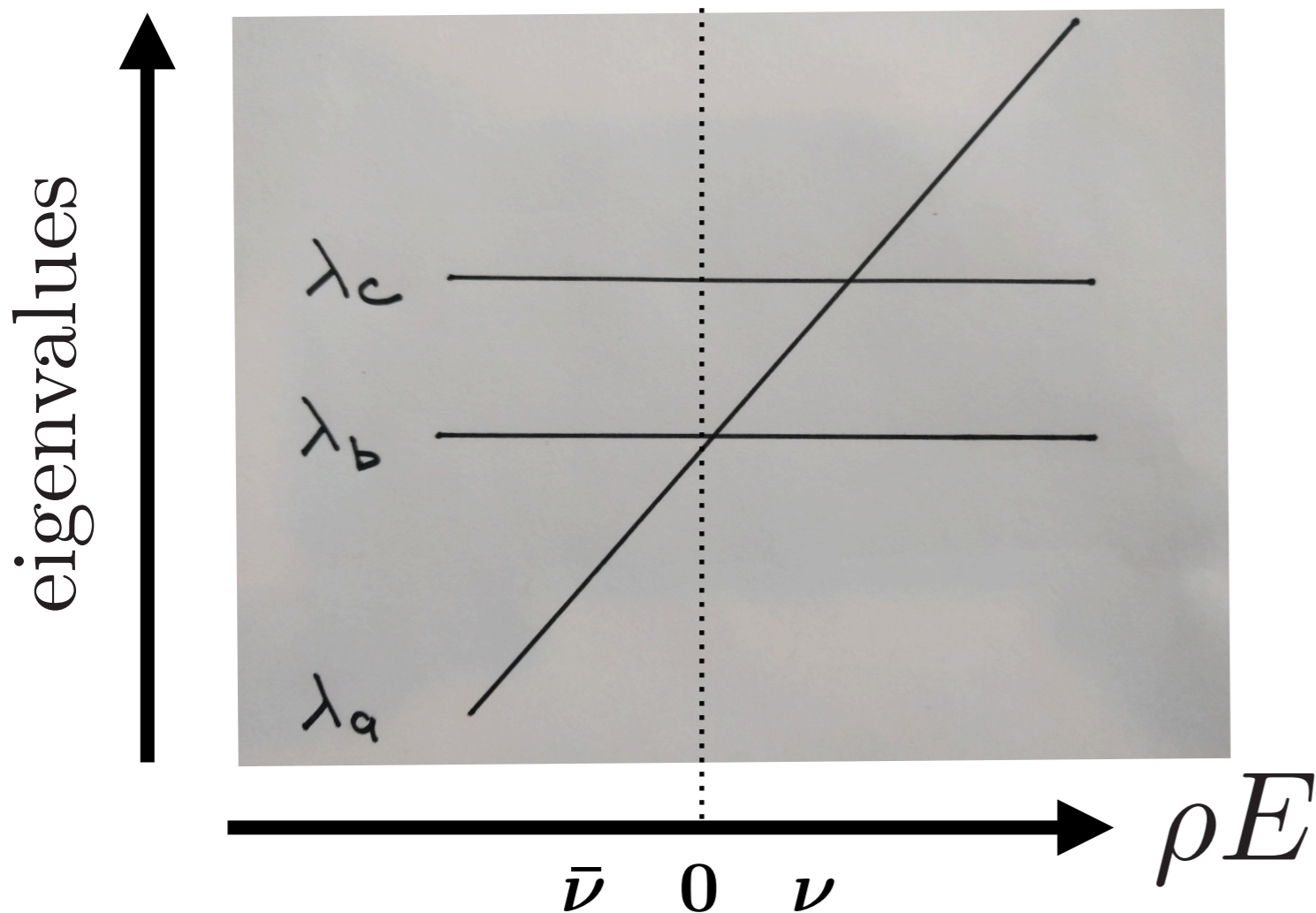
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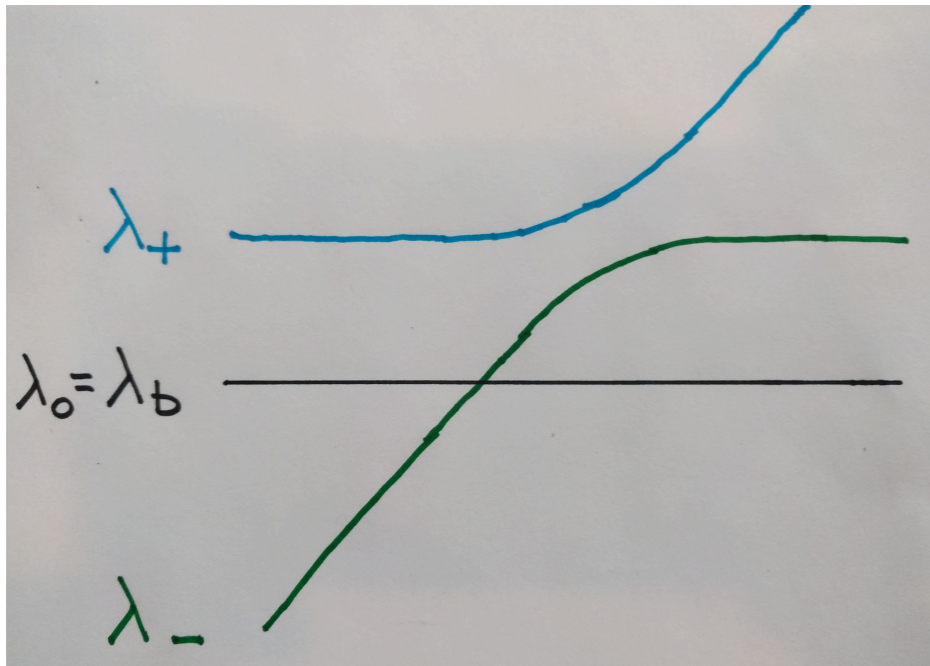
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I-3 Rotation

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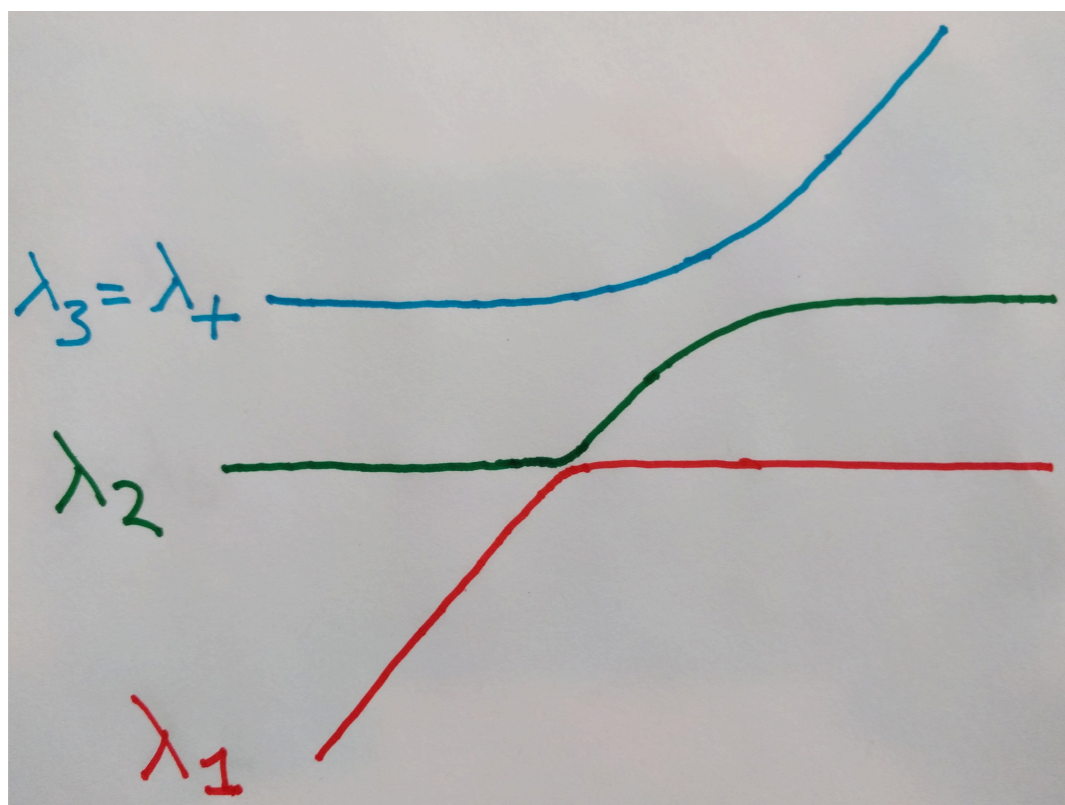
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then 1-2 Rotation



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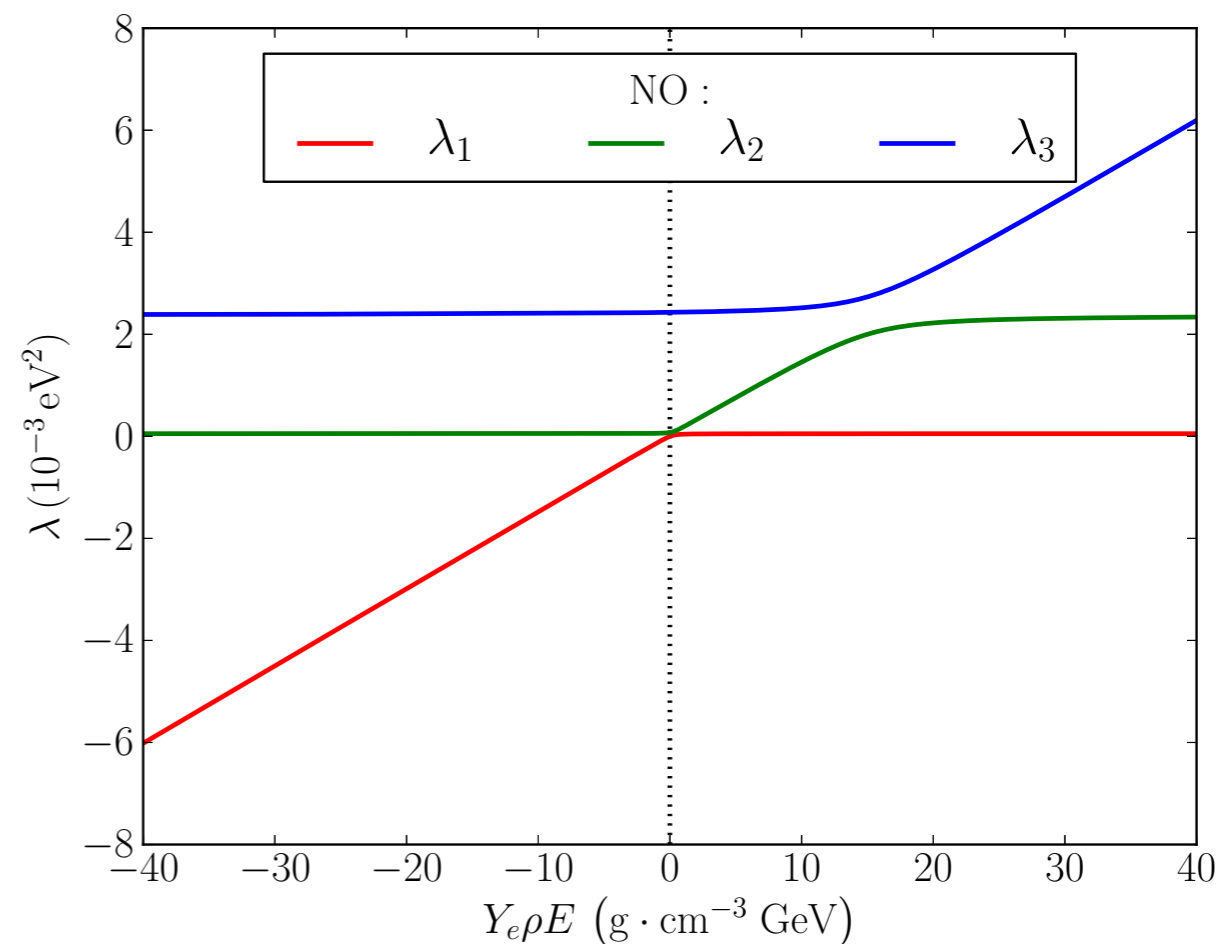
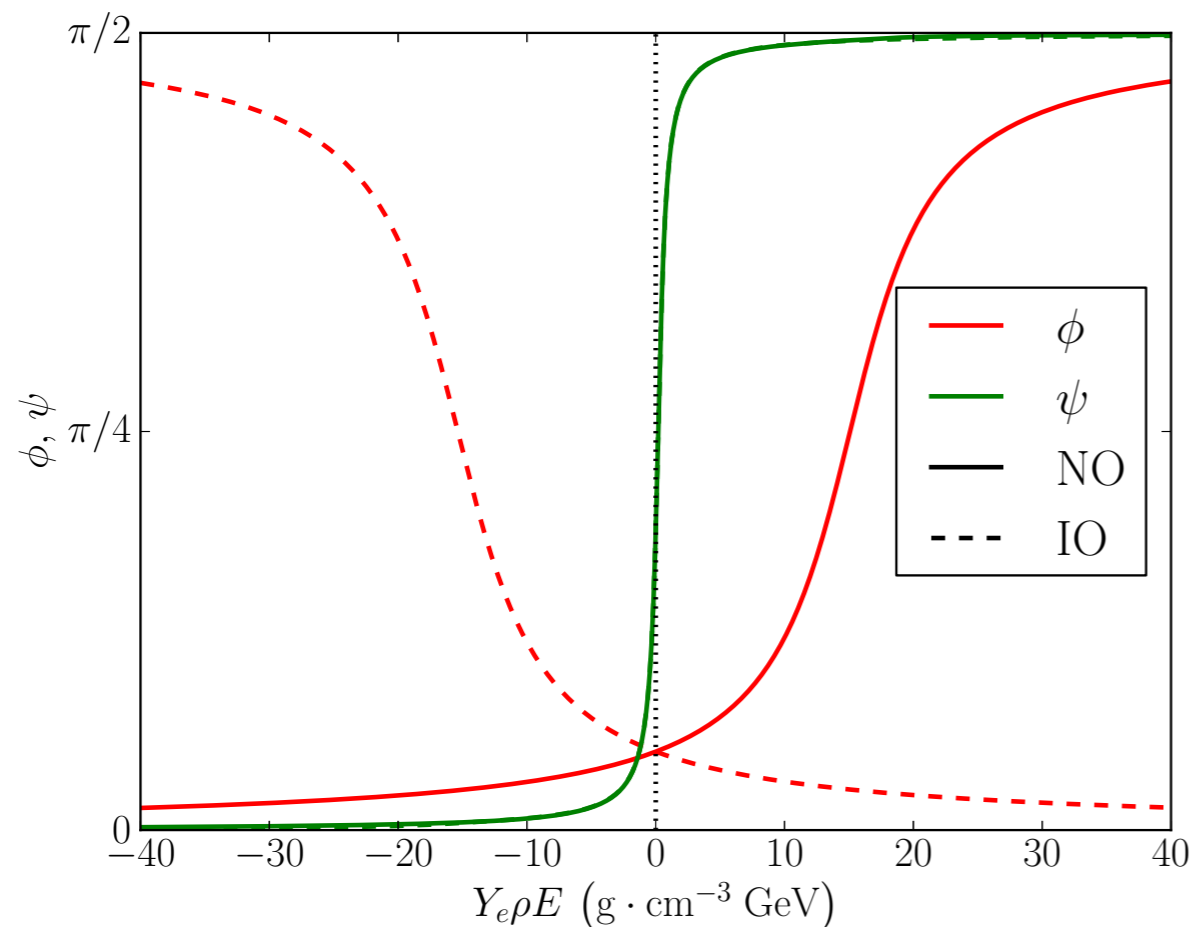
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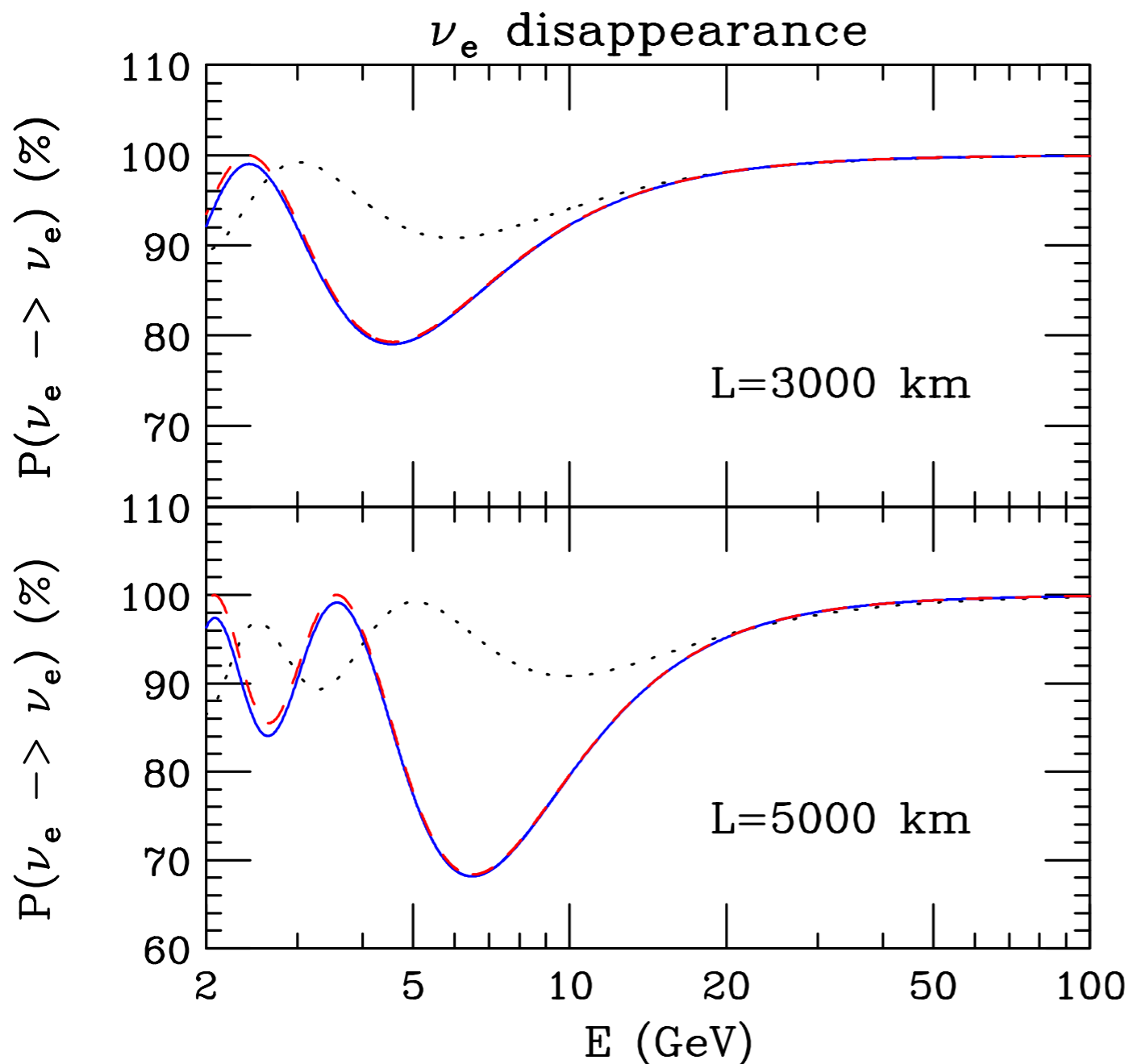
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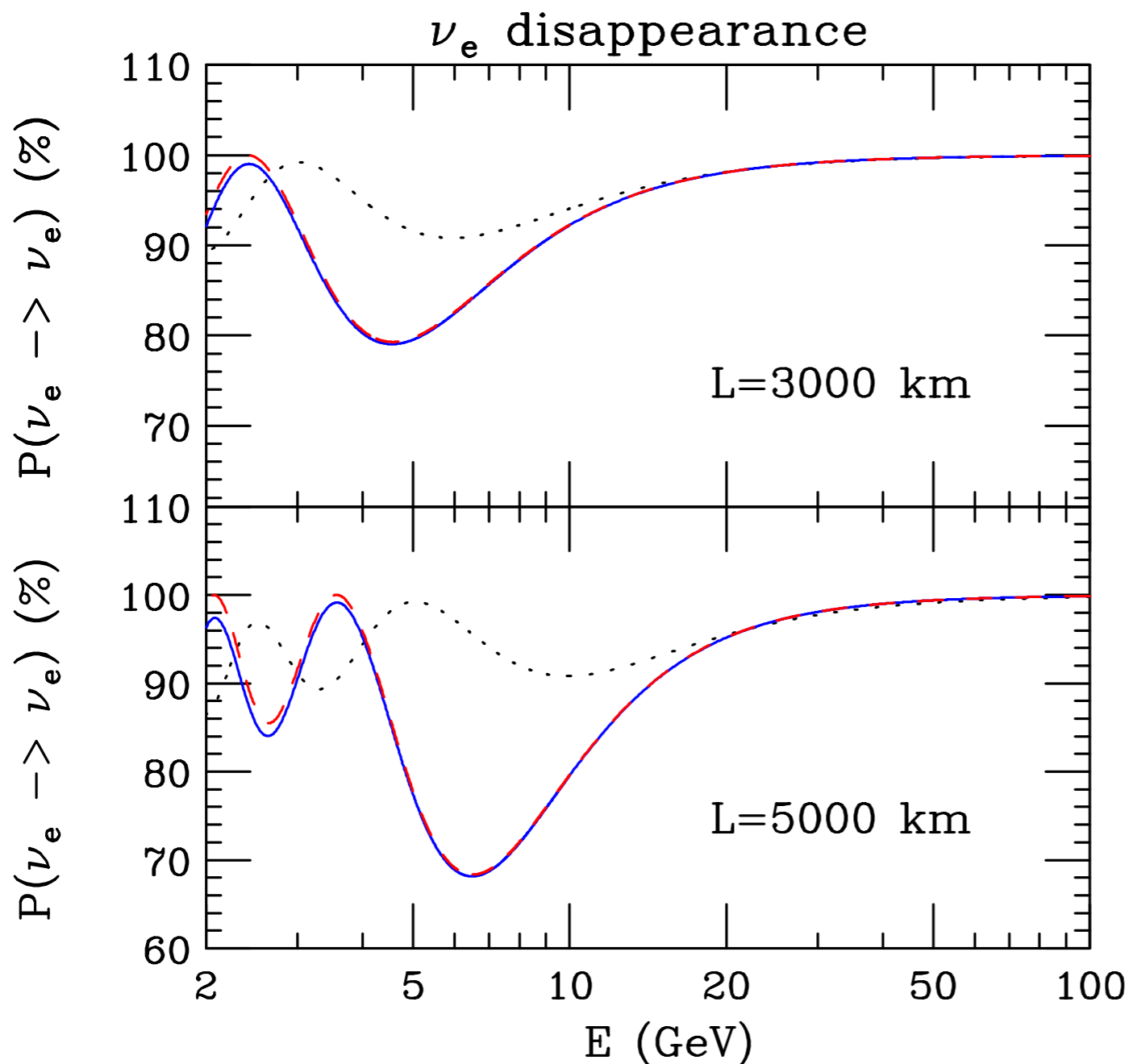
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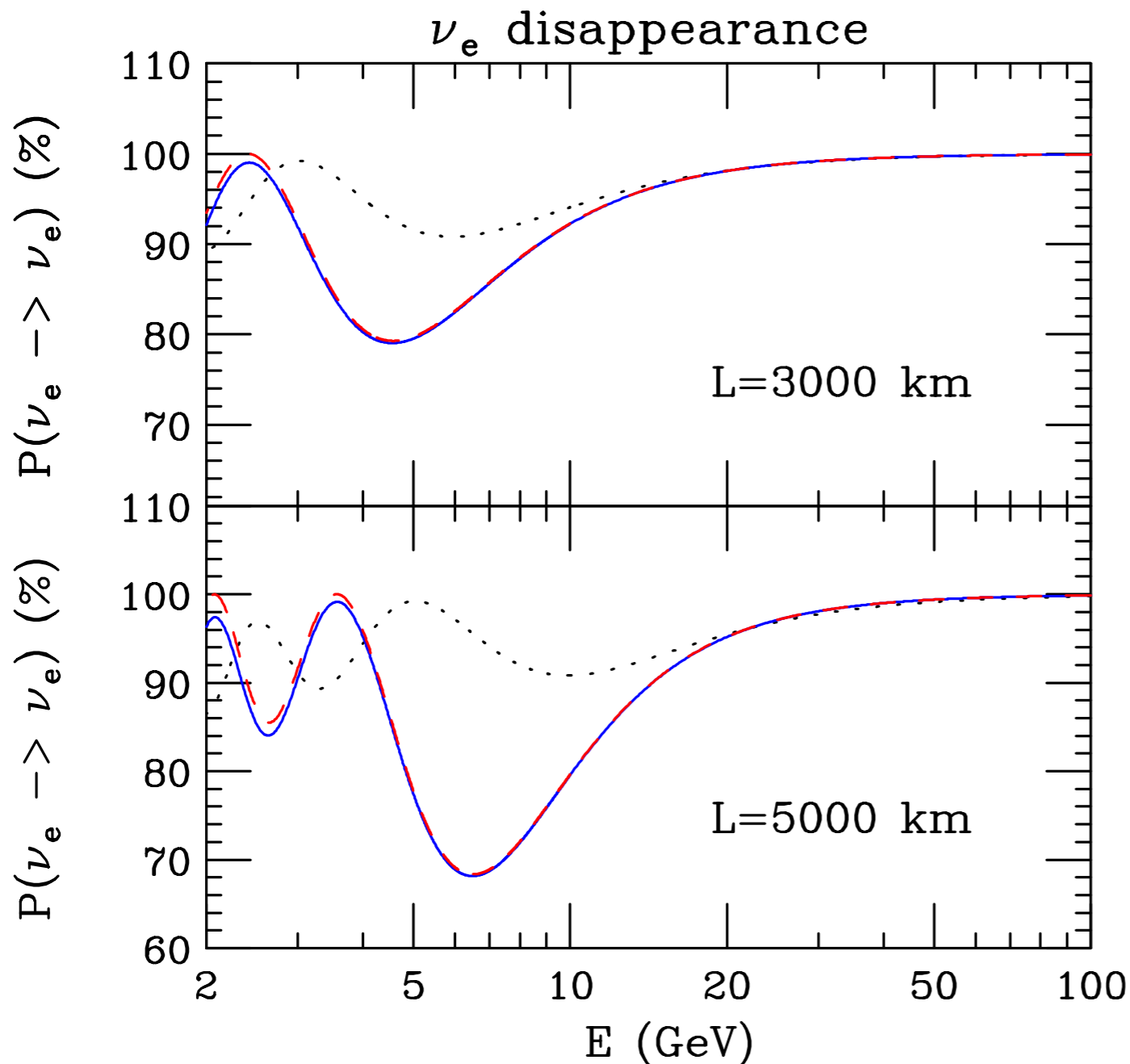
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