

Hyper-Kamiokande Oscillation Physics

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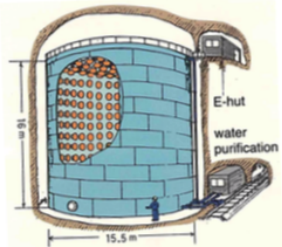
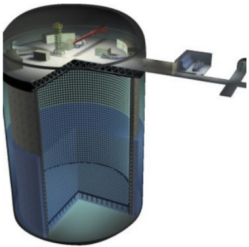

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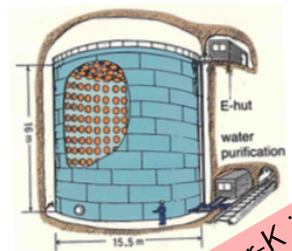
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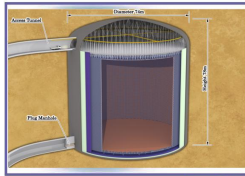
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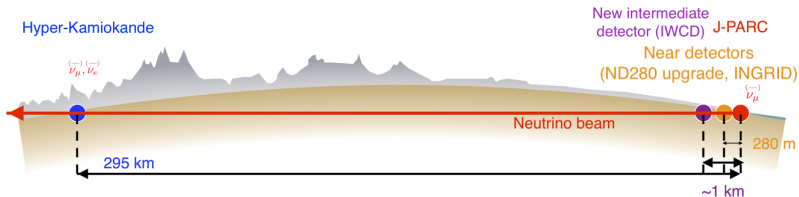
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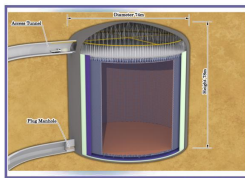
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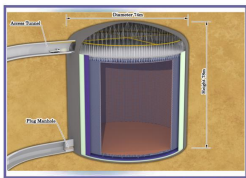


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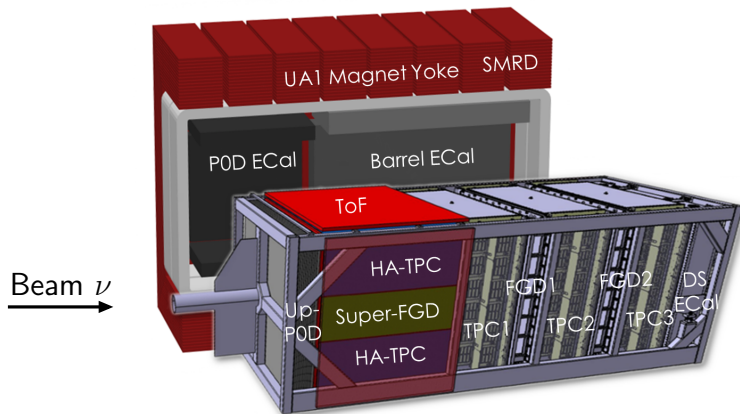
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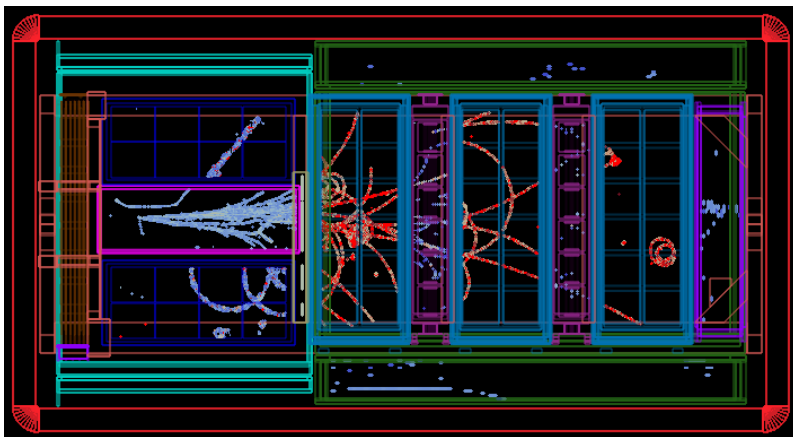
More details about J-PARC neutrino beam in Sekiguchi-san's talk [WG3 Tuesday]

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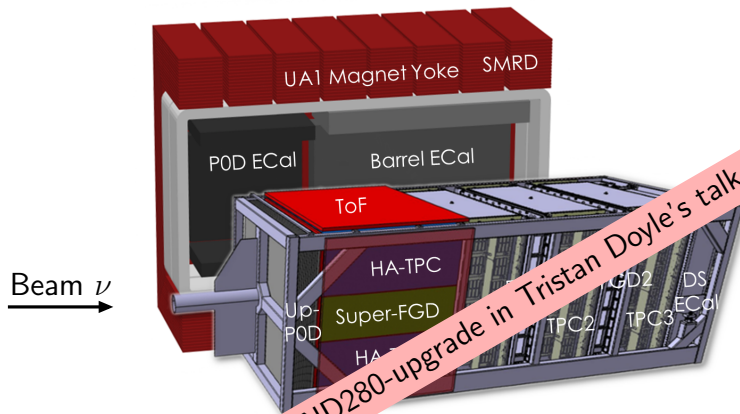
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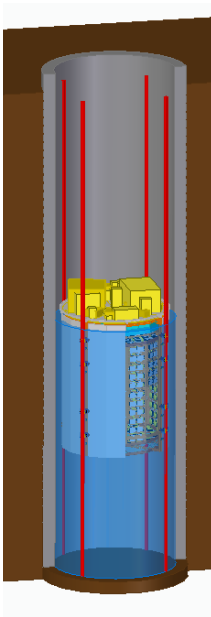
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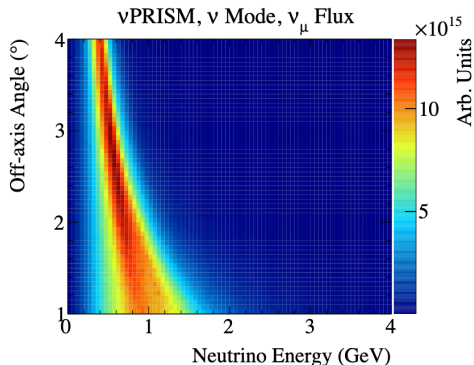
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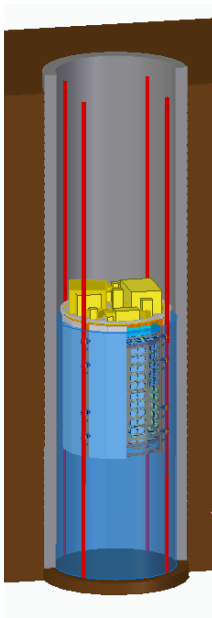
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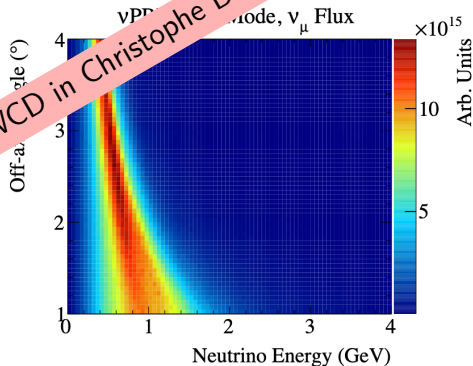


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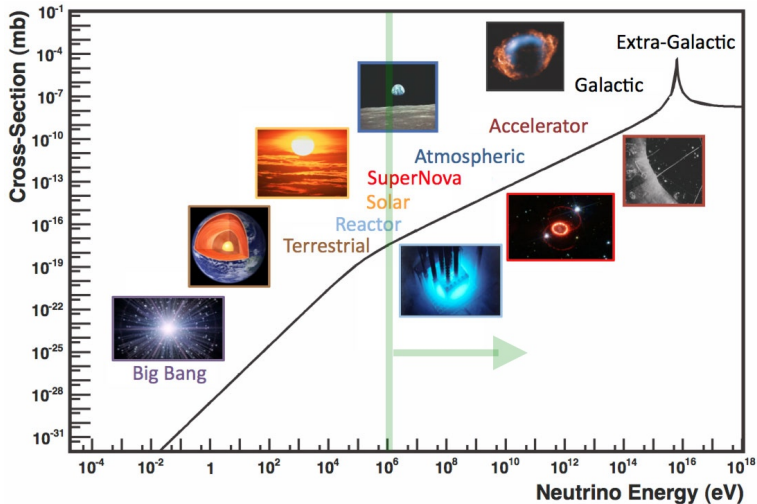


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Hyper-Kamiokande physics



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Solar ν

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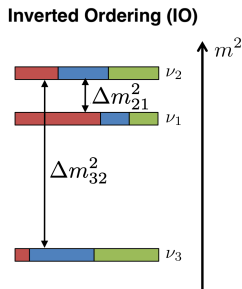
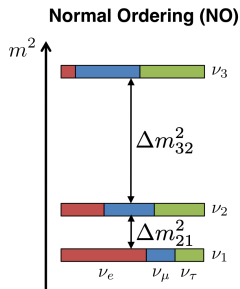
Supernova burst ν

Diffuse supernova ν background

and many more...

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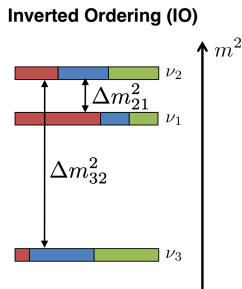
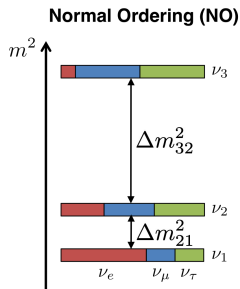
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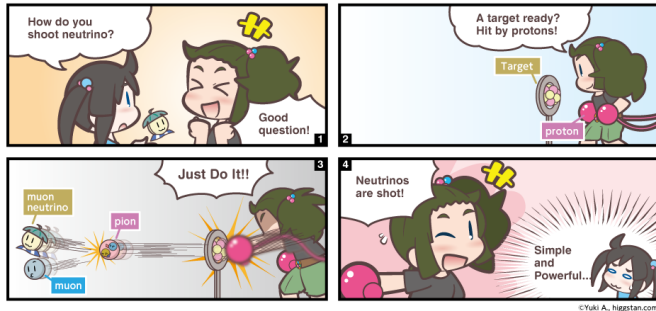
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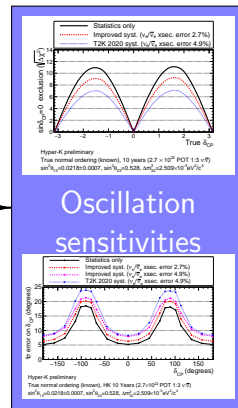
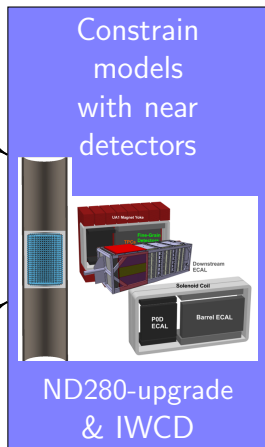
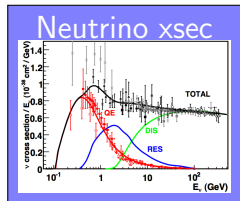
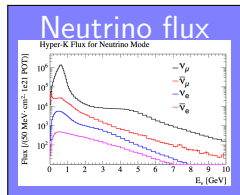
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Standard Hyper-K analysis will be beam + atmospheric

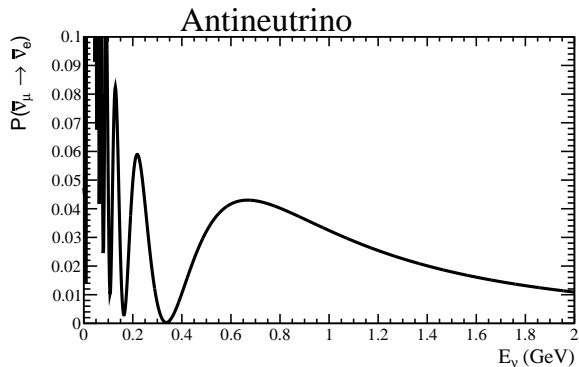
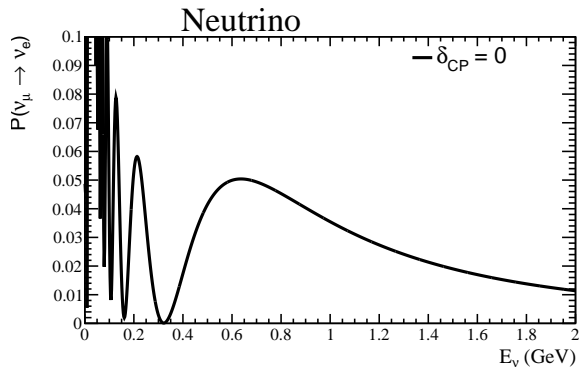
For these beam-only results

- Assuming true normal mass ordering is known
 - ▶ Approximates effect of adding atmospheric samples
- Using a constraint on $\sin^2(\theta_{13})$ from reactor experiments

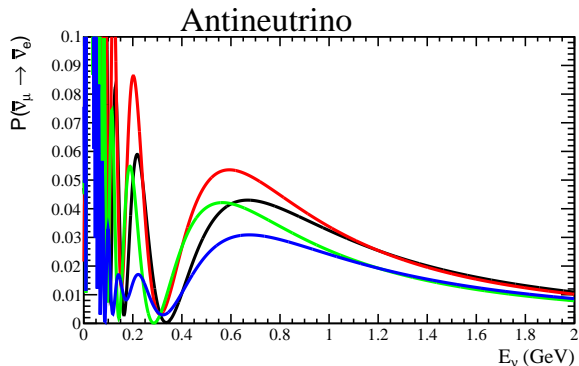
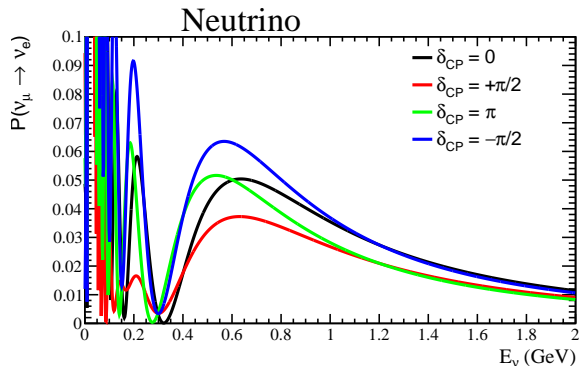
Hyper-K neutrino beam analysis method



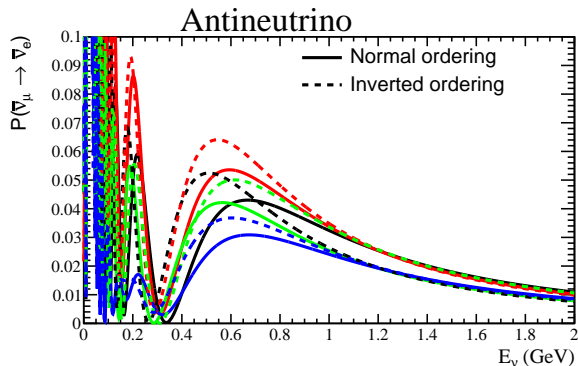
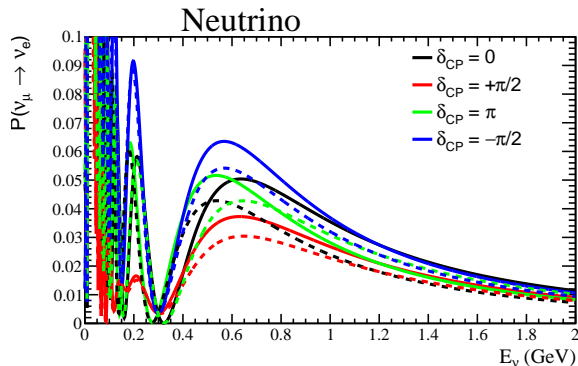
- Using T2K analysis method

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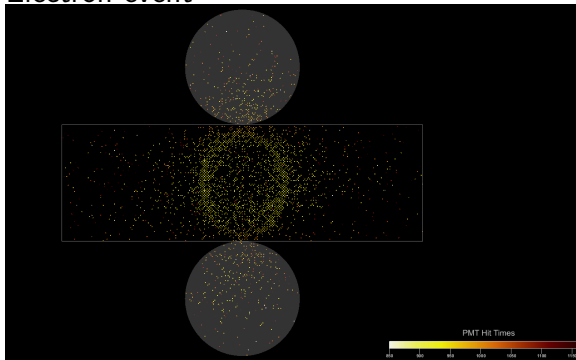
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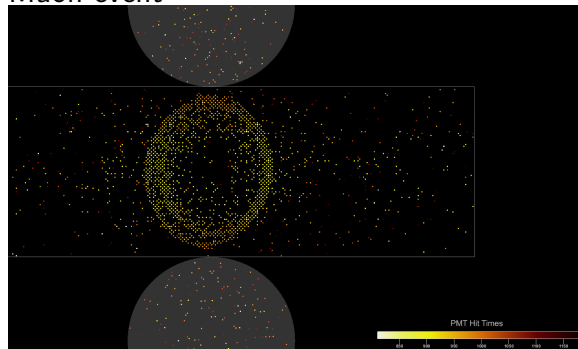
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Event samples

Electron event



Muon event

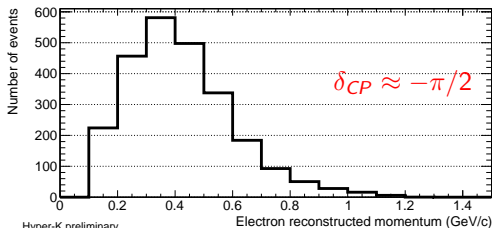


Expected event rate @ 10 years (2.7E22 POT),

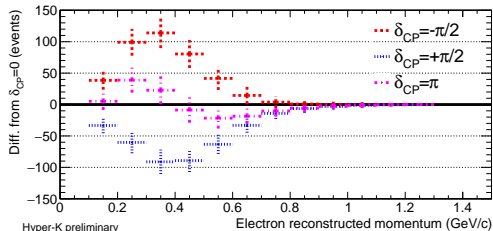
$$\nu:\bar{\nu} = 1:3, @ \delta_{CP} = 0$$

ν -mode beam, 1-ring μ -like	~8800
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode beam, 1-ring μ -like	~12000
ν -mode beam, 1-ring e -like + 0 decay e	~2100
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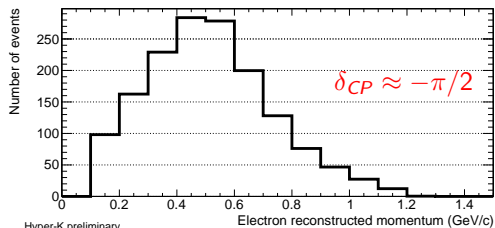
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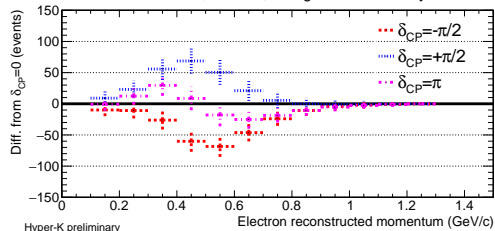
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 - ★ Improved χ^2 /flux model constraints from new IWCD / ND280-upgrade
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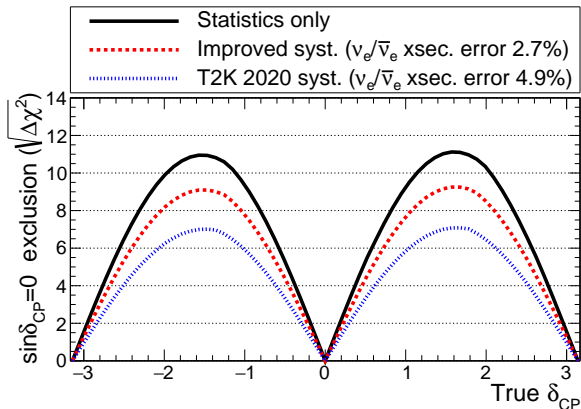
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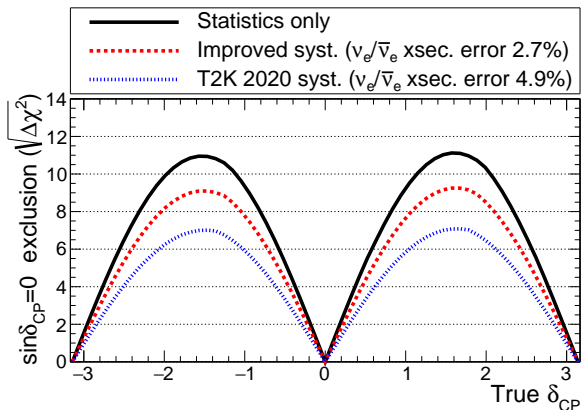
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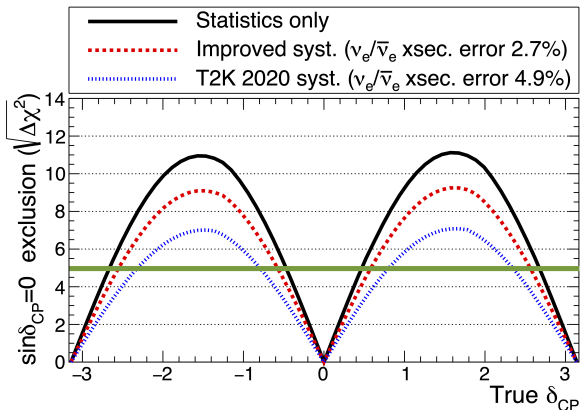
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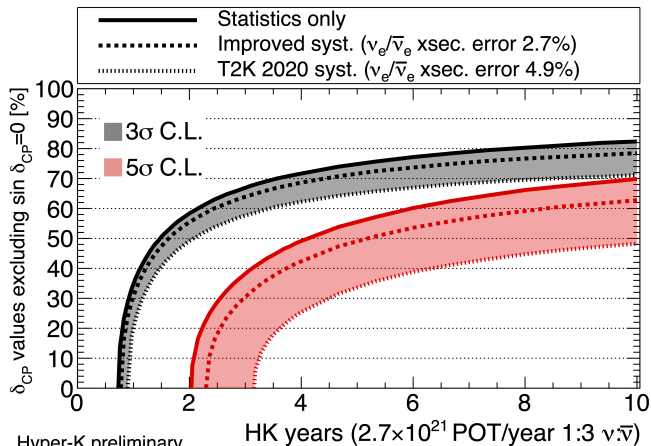
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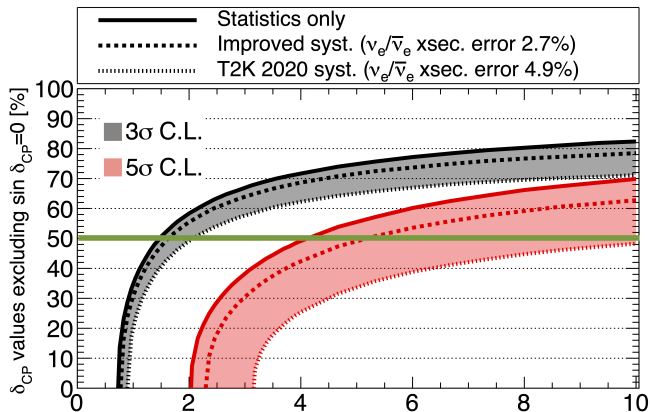
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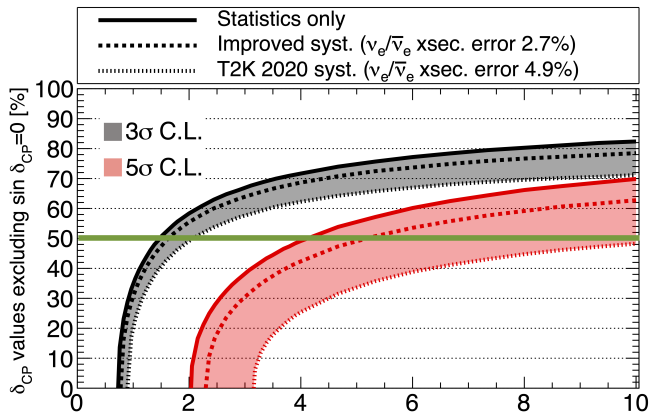
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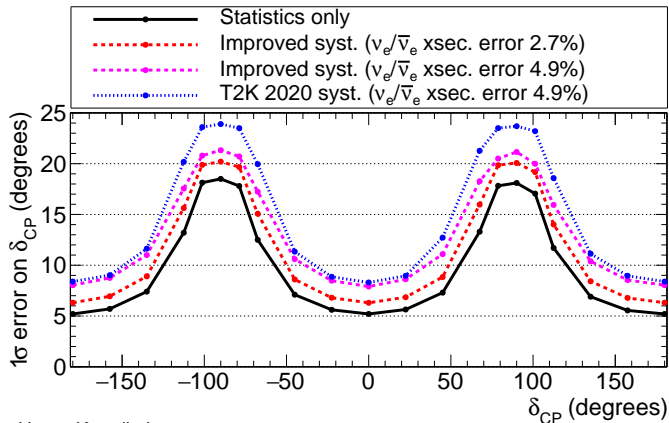
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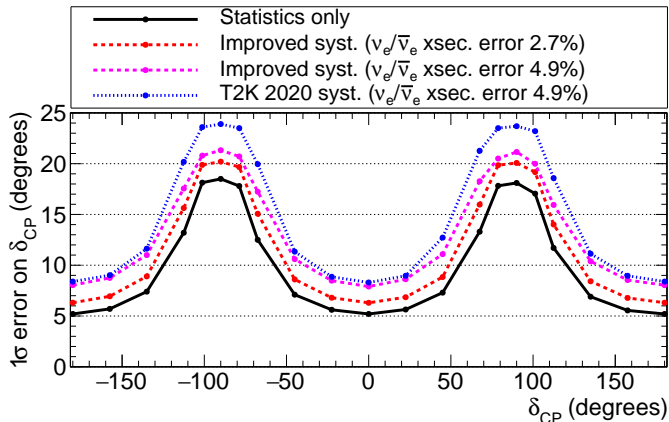


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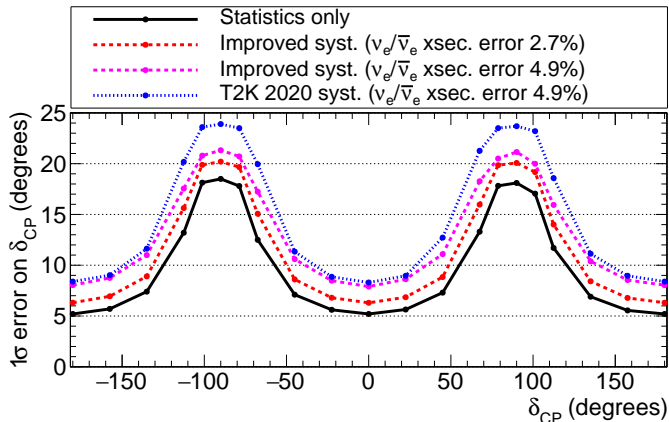
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Hyper-K is predominately sensitive to difference between ν_e & $\bar{\nu}_e$ measurements

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- Smaller uncertainty at $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$

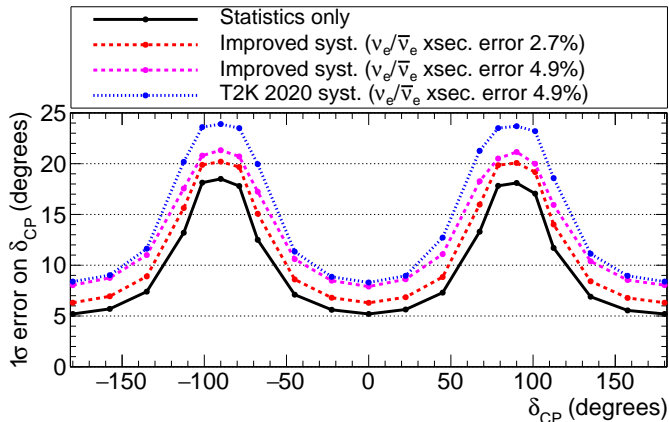
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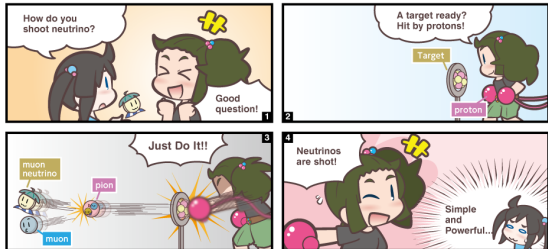
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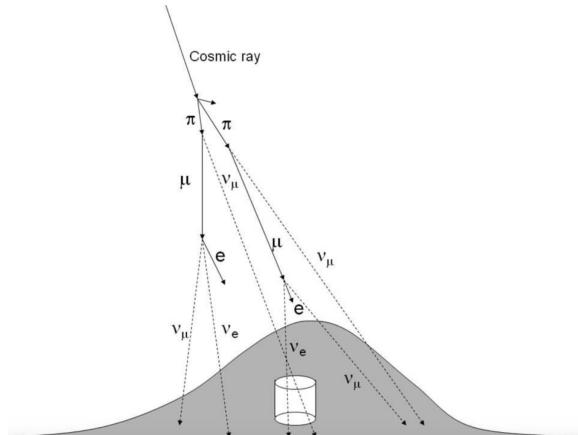
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 - At $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$, that uncertainty is maximal
- At $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$, uncertainty dominated by $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ xsec. error

Beam + atmospheric sensitivities

How to make neutrinos



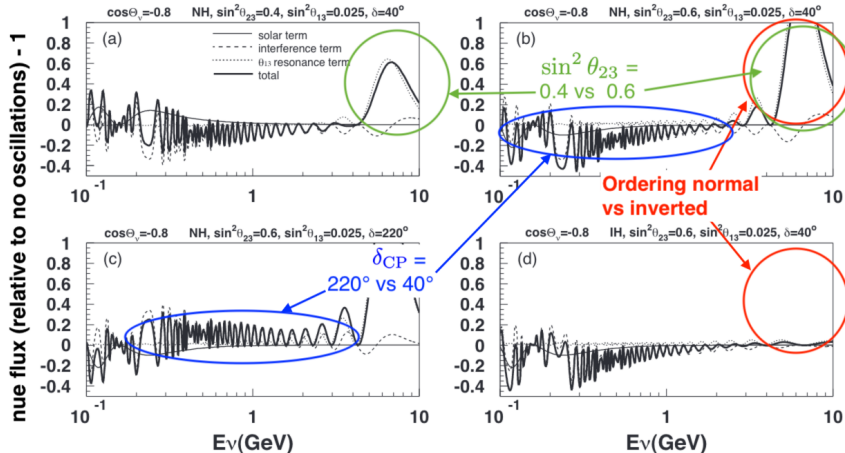
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Atmospheric neutrino oscillations

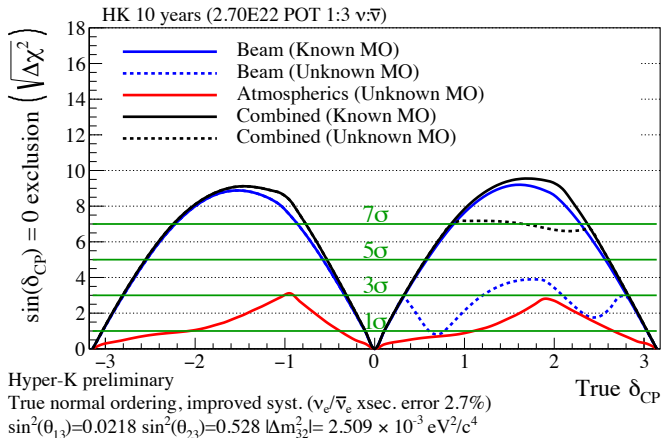
ν_e flux (relative difference to no oscillations) versus true neutrino energy @ $\cos\theta_{\text{zenith}} = 0.8$



- Resonance in ν_e or $\bar{\nu}_e$ multi-GeV events, depending on the **mass ordering**
- θ_{23} **octant** sets magnitude of the resonance
- δ_{CP} sets scale/direction of ~ 1 GeV interference

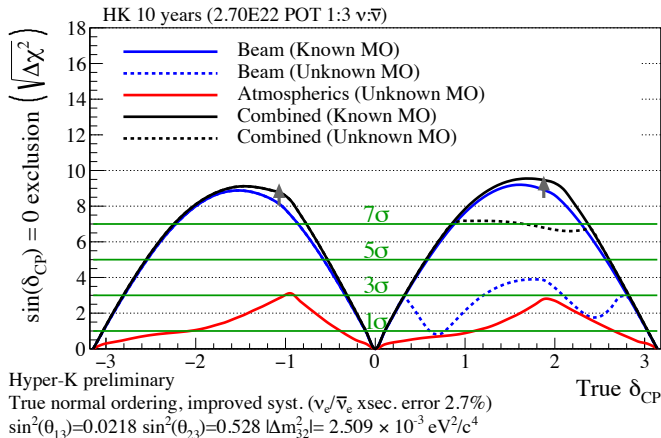
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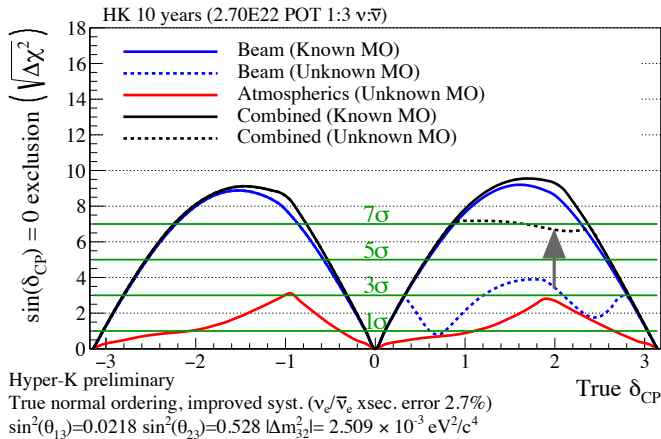


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 - ▶ Paper coming soon!
 - ▶ Adding atmospheric neutrino data, we see enhancement of $\sin \delta_{CP} \neq 0$ sensitivity
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- Hyper-K has high statistics
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 - ▶ Must work to produce a more sophisticated error model
- Ultimately, we will use solar data & measure solar parameters
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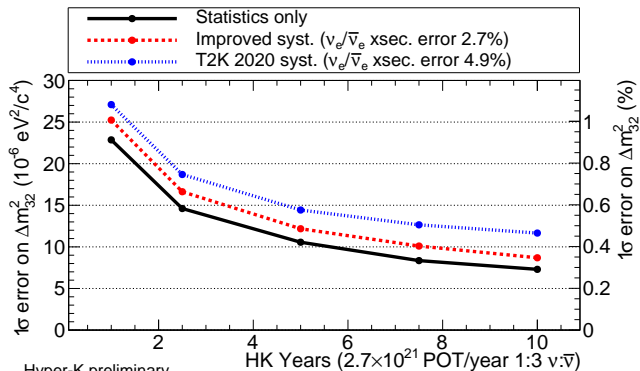
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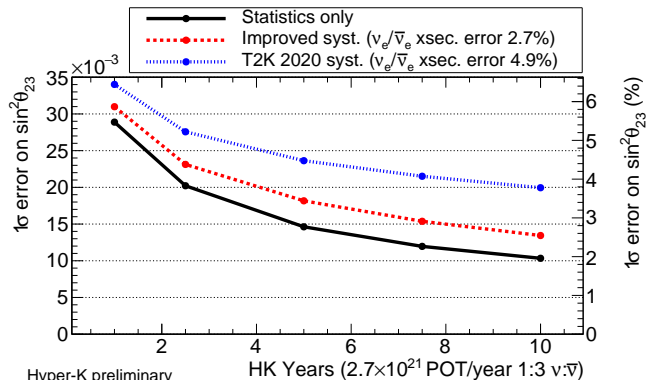
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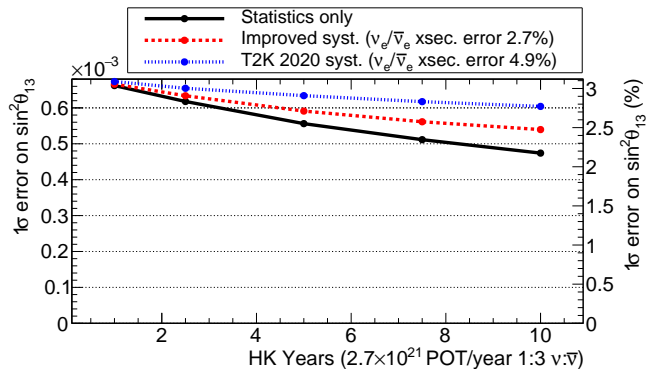
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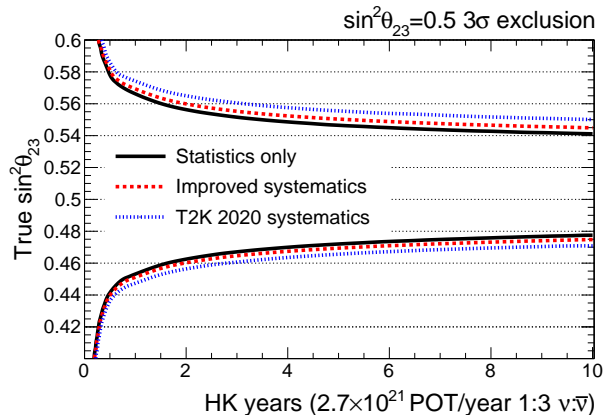
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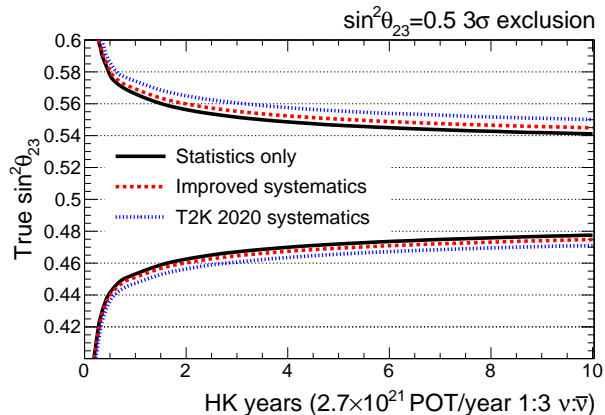
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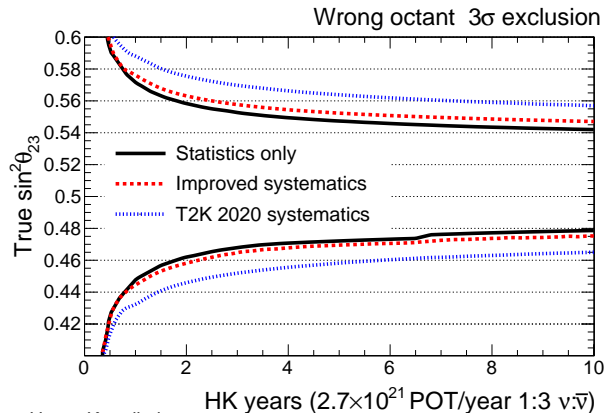
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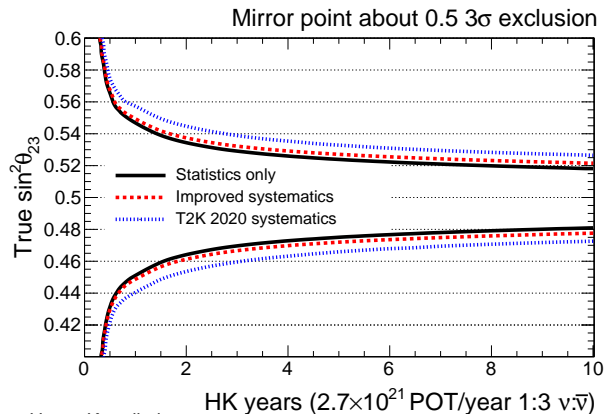
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$\sin^2(\theta_{23})$ mirror point exclusion sensitivity

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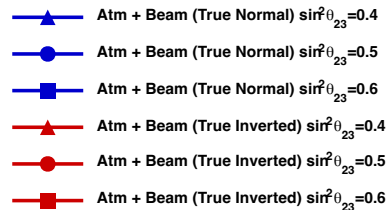
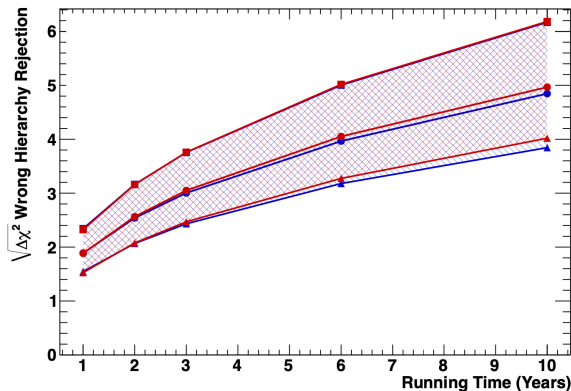
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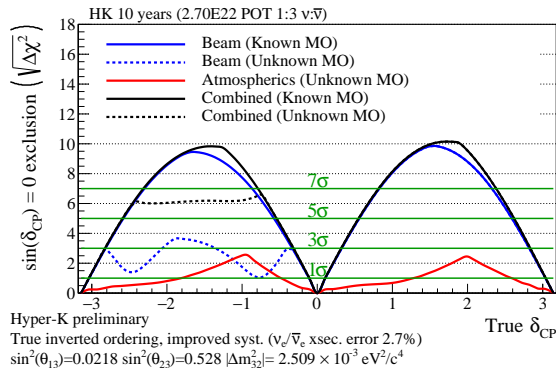
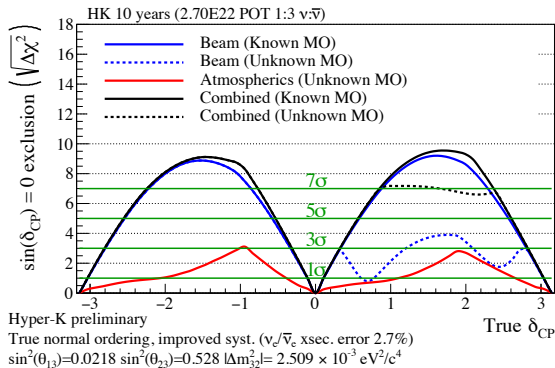


- Atmospheric neutrinos have longer baseline & higher energies than beam neutrinos (in general)
 - Enhances matter effect ($\propto E_\nu n_e$)
 - Increased sensitivity to mass ordering
 - Exclude incorrect mass ordering at $\sim 4\text{--}6\sigma$ in 10 years
 - ★ Depending on true value of $\sin^2(\theta_{23})$

Based on older HK analysis

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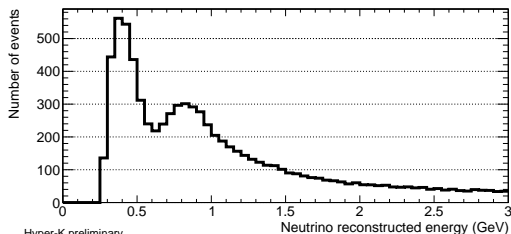
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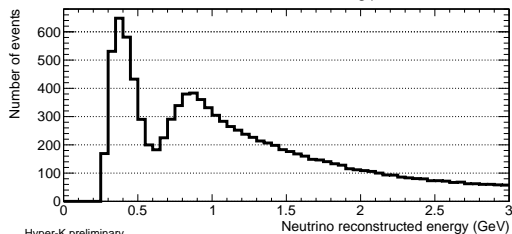
Event rates

	beam ν_μ	beam ν_e	beam $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	beam $\bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$	$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$	Total
ν -mode, 1-ring μ -like	8355.42	8.36	478.01	0.68	2.61	0.01	8845.08
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode, 1-ring μ -like	4255.94	6.02	7759.91	4.74	0.18	0.39	12027.20
ν -mode, 1-ring e -like + 0 decay e	143.91	294.27	5.29	11.97	2007.51	11.74	2474.69
$\bar{\nu}$ -mode, 1-ring e -like + 0 decay e	59.10	130.13	96.28	234.83	229.21	793.17	1542.72
ν -mode, 1-ring e -like + 1 decay e	13.96	40.19	0.64	0.32	255.29	0.23	310.64

@ $\delta_{CP} = -1.601$

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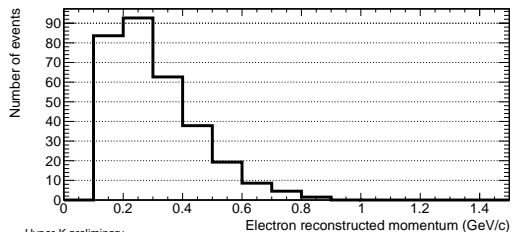
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- e.g. NA61/SHINE thin-target hadron-production data

Cross section Uses external data to tune model

- e.g. MINER ν A, MiniBooNE, ..., ν -nucleus scattering data
- Uses NEUT 5.4.0

Final state interactions & secondary interactions Uses external data to tune model

- e.g. π -nucleus scattering data

SK detector Uses Super-K atmospheric neutrino data

- Flux & Cross-section uncertainties reduced by fit to near-detector data

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Scaling systematics for Hyper-K

- Statistical error on Hyper-K atmospheric samples will reduce
 - ▶ Hyper-K fiducial volume = $8.4 \times$ Super-K
- Statistical error at ND280 will reduce
 - ▶ ND280-upgrade increases fiducial mass by $\sim 30\%$
 - ▶ More running with a higher power beam
- New detectors will produce better results
 - ▶ SFGD has increased nucleon tracking efficiency
 - ★ Get a handle on final state interactions
 - ★ Select $\bar{\nu} + H$ events
 - ▶ IWCD has excellent ν_e/ν_μ separation
 - ★ Measure ν_e & $\bar{\nu}_e$ cross sections to a few %

Systematic uncertainties

T2K 2020 syst.	μ -like		e-like			$\nu/\bar{\nu}$ 0 d.e.
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All	3.0%	4.0%	4.7%	5.9%	14.1%	4.6%
Improved syst.						
ND constrained Flux+cross section	0.9%	0.9%	1.8%	1.6%	1.8%	1.9%
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Total percentage error on sample event rates