



# Long Baseline Neutrino Experiments



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## Part 2



# Brief CV



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## Research Interests/History

- time ↓
- ★ Cosmic-ray/Astroparticle Physics (Soudan 2)
  - ★ Electroweak Physics at LEP (OPAL)
    - Z lineshape and leptonic couplings
    - W mass and couplings
  - ★ Neutrino physics (MINOS)
    - atmospheric neutrinos
    - $\nu_e$  appearance
  - ★ Calorimetry at future colliders



# Synopsis



## Lecture 1

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Neutrino Beams
- 3 Predicting the Beam Energy Spectrum
- 4 The MINOS Experiment

## Lecture 2

- 5 Measuring the Beam Spectrum in MINOS
- 6  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  Disappearance in MINOS
- 7  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$  Appearance in MINOS
- 8  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$  Appearance in T2K
- 9 Prospects/Conclusions

} Hot topic

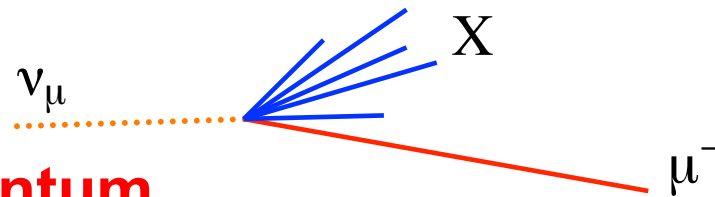
- ★ Topics chosen to illustrate the main techniques/issues
- ★ Not intended as a global review – **far too little time**
- ★ Use MINOS as the main example



# Recap



- ★ Discuss generation of neutrino beams
- ★ Started discussion of **MINOS** on-axis experiment
  - **wide-band beam** – need to measure neutrino energy on an event-by-event basis
- ★ Can measure energy for **charged current** interactions



- **muon momentum**
- **hadron shower energy**

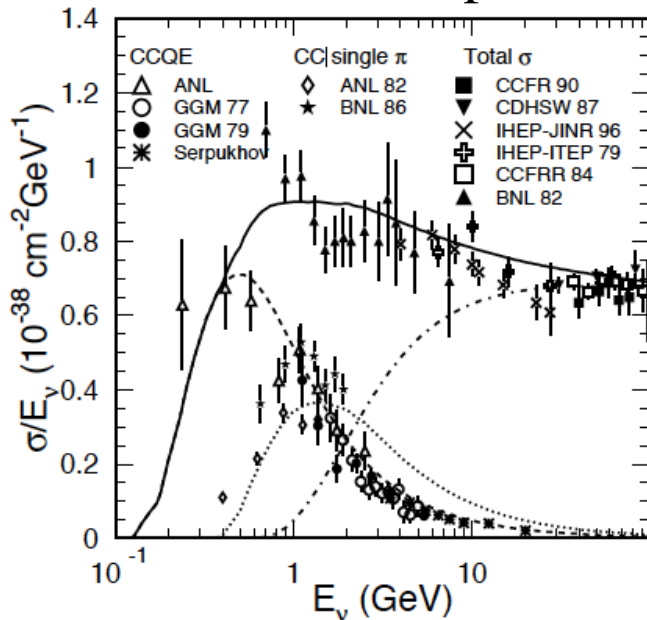
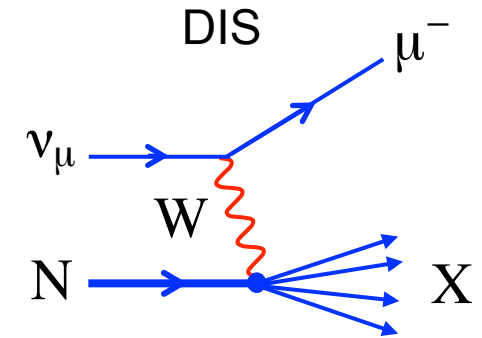
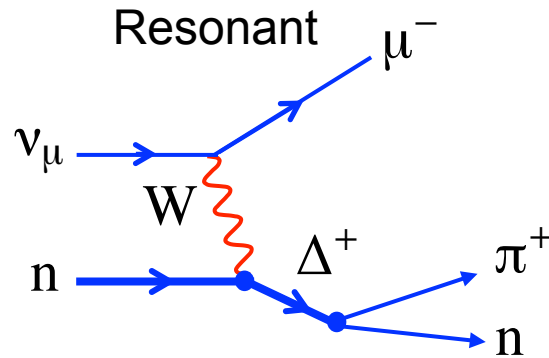
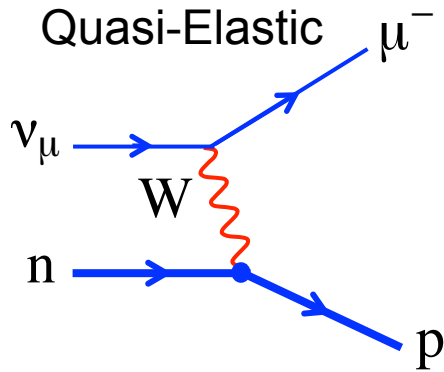
## Towards Physics:

- ★ First step: identify CC interactions
- ★ Understand beam
- ★ Then discuss main techniques for **precision neutrino physics**



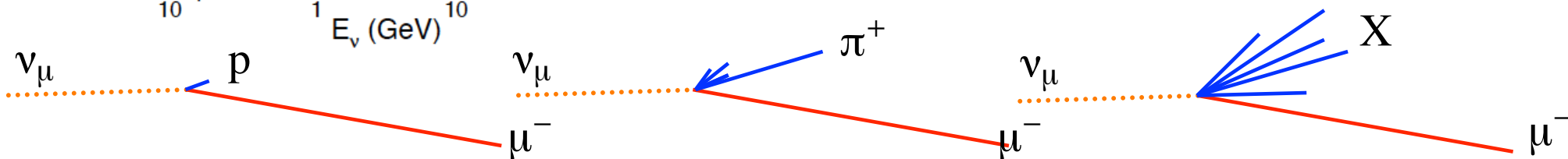


# CC Event Types



- ★ < 1.5 GeV : QE dominates
- ★ > 5 GeV : DIS dominates
- ★ in between - mixture of QE/RES/DIS

MINOS beam 1-5 GeV + high energy tail  
 ➡ All processes are relevant



★ All very different, but tagged by the muon

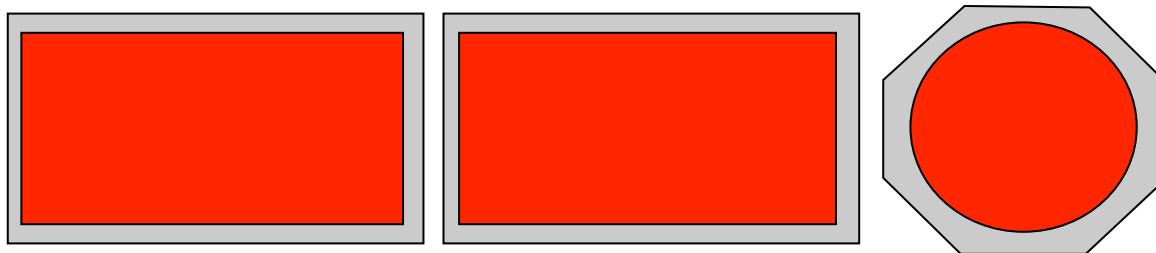


# Event selection cuts : Near and Far

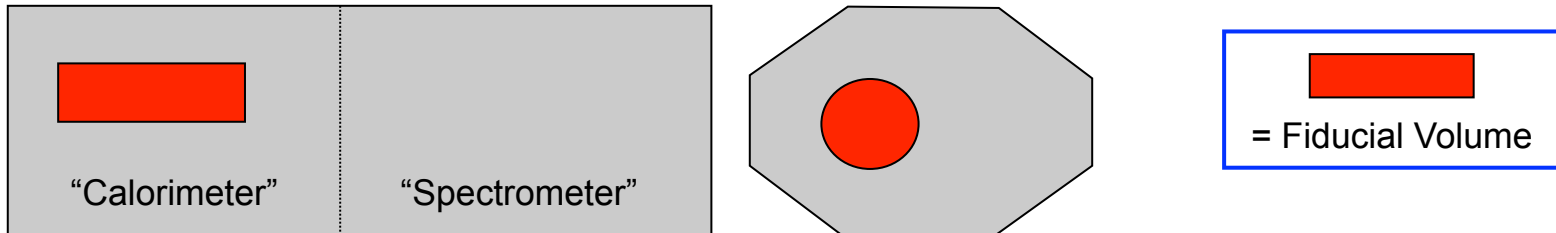
★  $\nu_\mu$  CC : Require

- The event must have a **good reconstructed track**
- The reconstructed track vertex must lie in the detector fiducial volume (avoid edges and less well understood regions of detector)

FAR DETECTOR

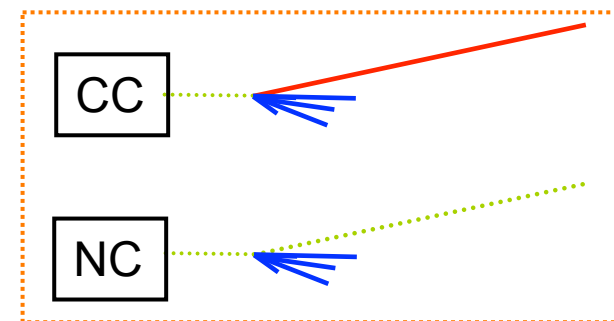


NEAR DETECTOR



★ Use a multivariate technique: 4 reconstructed quantities

- ◆ Number of muon planes
- ◆ Mean energy per strip
- ◆ Transverse profile
- ◆ Signal fluctuation parameter on track



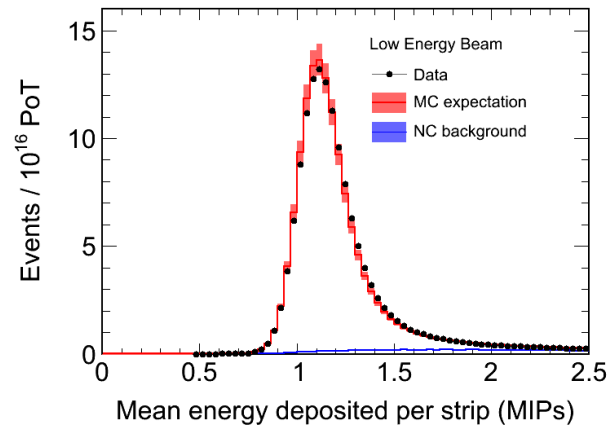
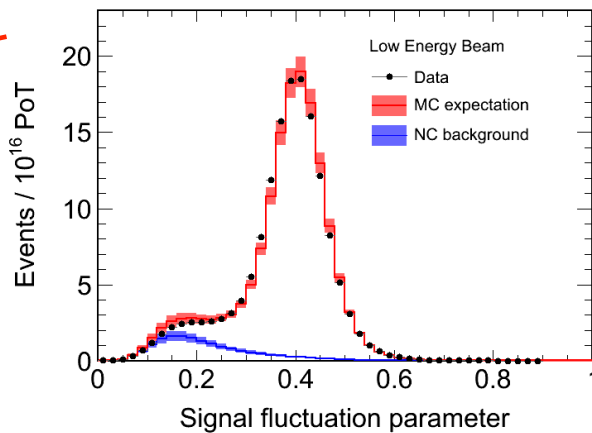
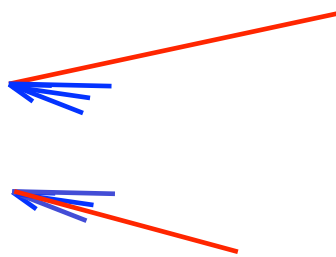
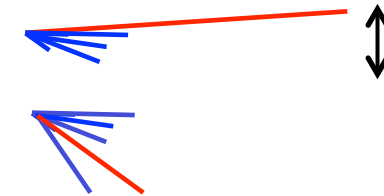
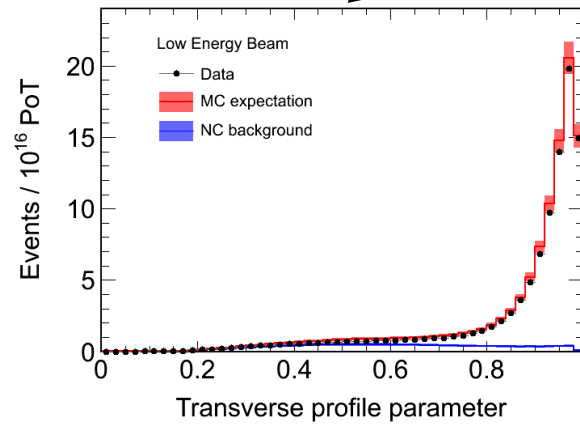
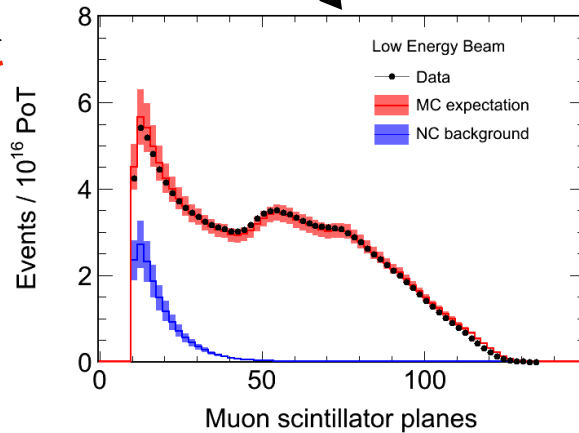
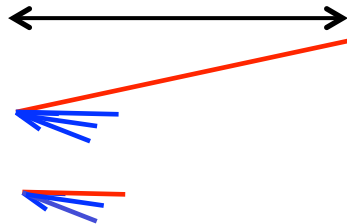


# Identifying CC Events



Number of Track planes

Transverse Profile



Blobiness along track

Mean hit energy

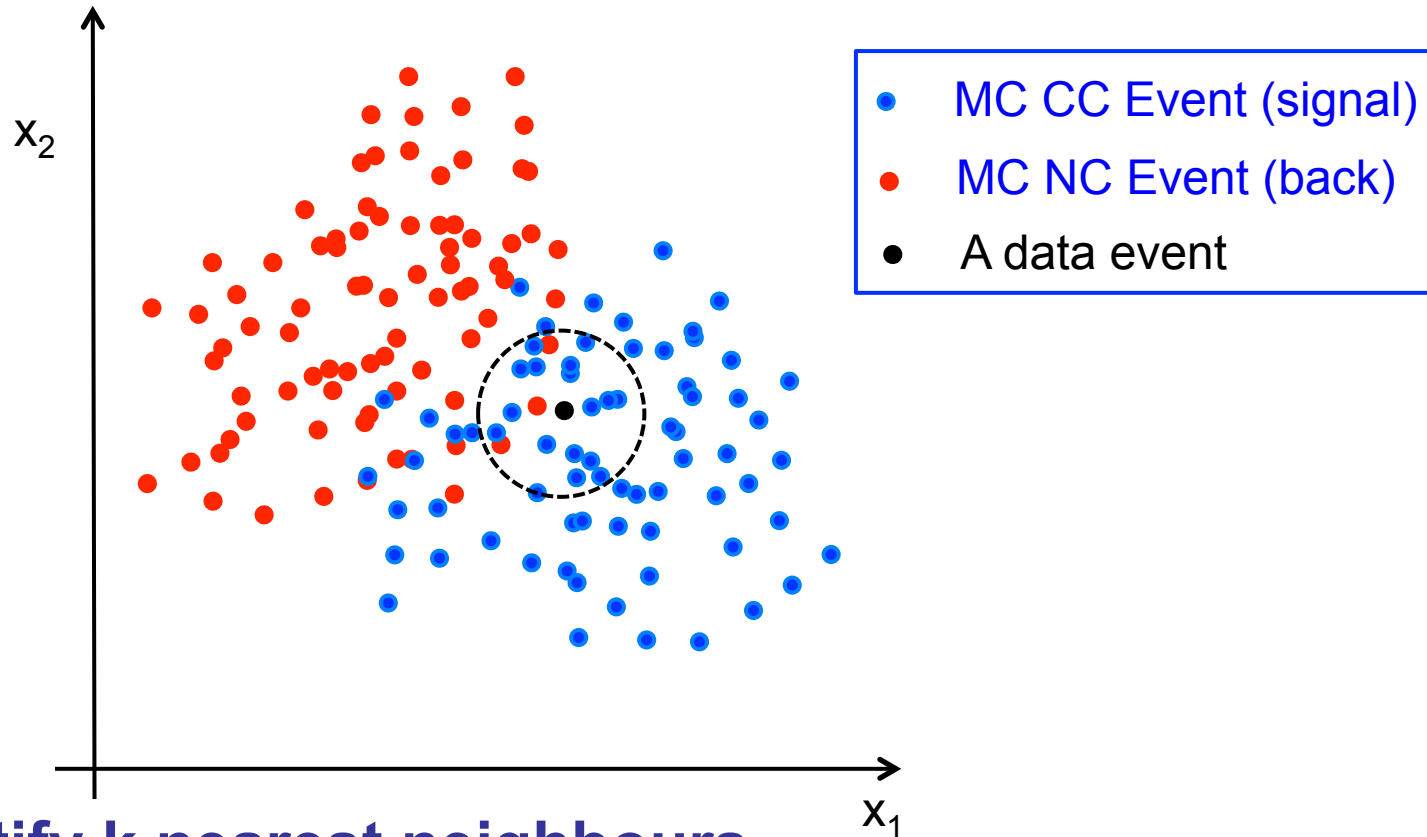


# kNN Selection



★ For each data event compare it to MC in multivariate space

$$\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$$

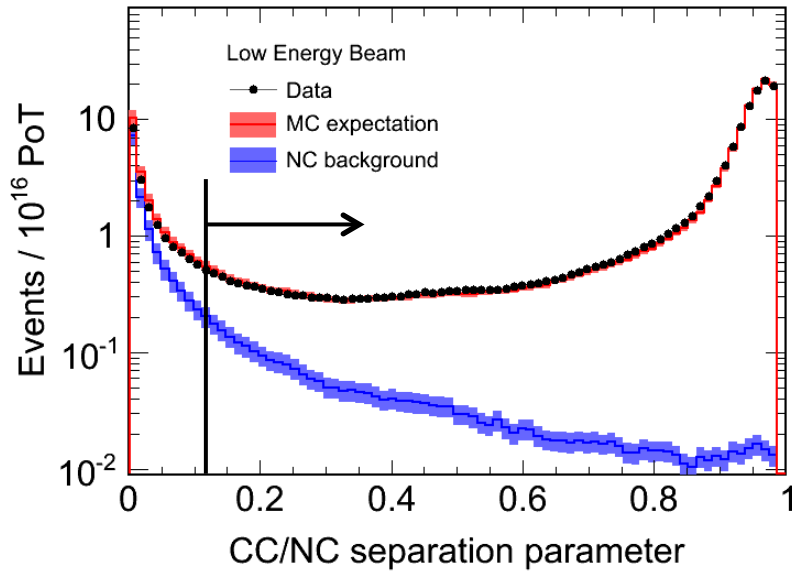


★ Identify  $k$  nearest neighbours

★ Cut variable is fraction which are signal



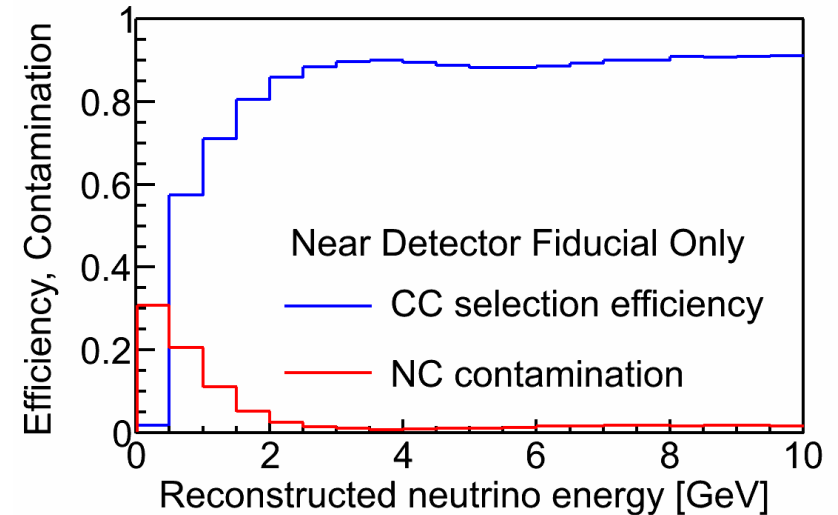
# Near Detector Data



- ★ Good agreement between data/MC
- ★ Clear separation between CC and NC

- ★ High Efficiency: 88.7 %
- ★ High Purity: 98.3 %

**ALMOST BACKGROUND FREE**





**Can now measure beam spectrum**



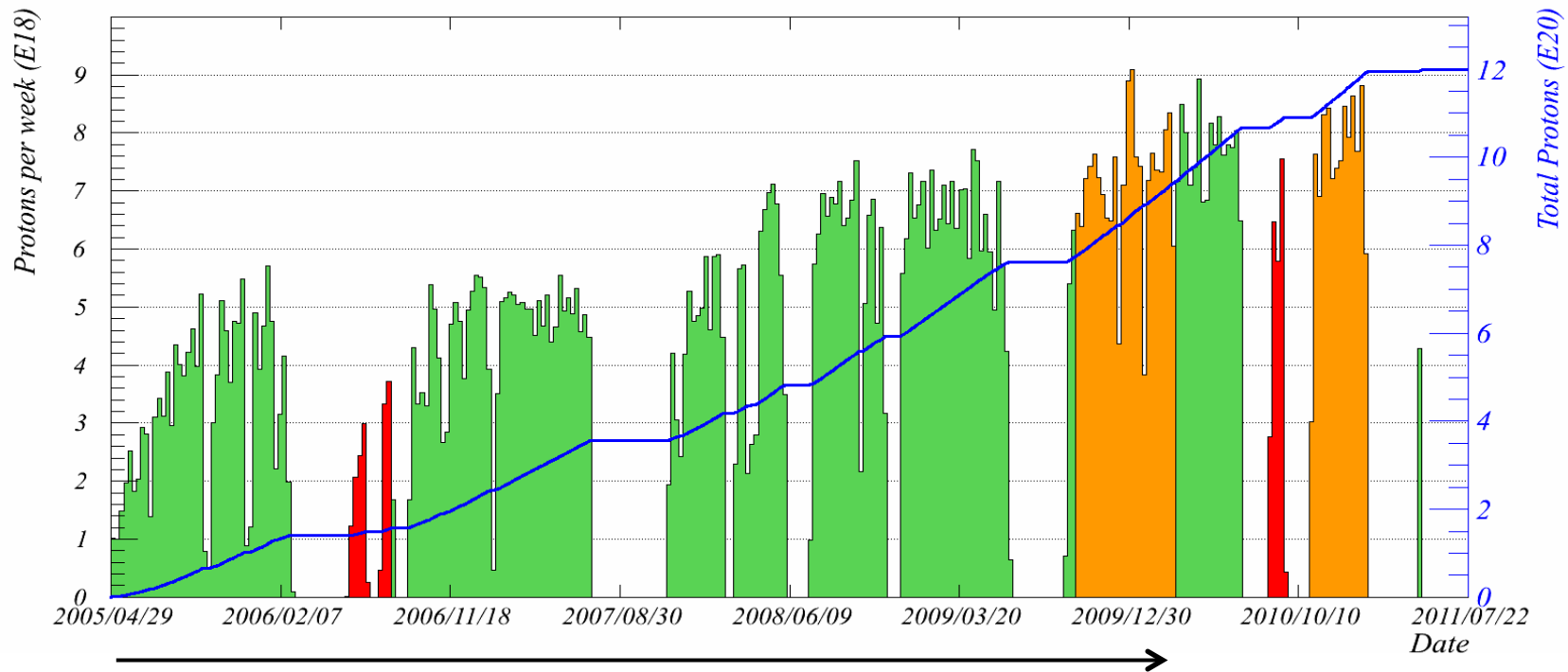


# 5 Measuring the beam spectrum



- ★ Total of 1.2E20 protons on target:
  - Neutrinos (Low Energy beam)
  - Neutrinos (High Energy beam)
  - Anti-neutrinos (Low Energy beam)
- ★ Gaps due to NuMI shutdowns and target failures

Total NuMI protons to 00:00 Friday 22 July 2011



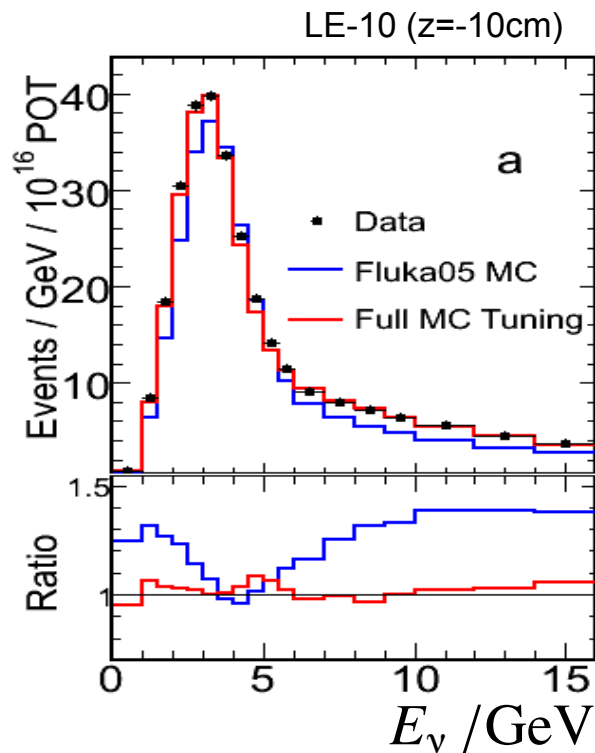
- ★ Most recent disappearance analysis based on 7.2E20 neutrino data



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- ★ Measured Near Detector (ND) energy spectrum does not agree with MC
- ★ No surprise – large **hadron production** and cross section uncertainties



Early  
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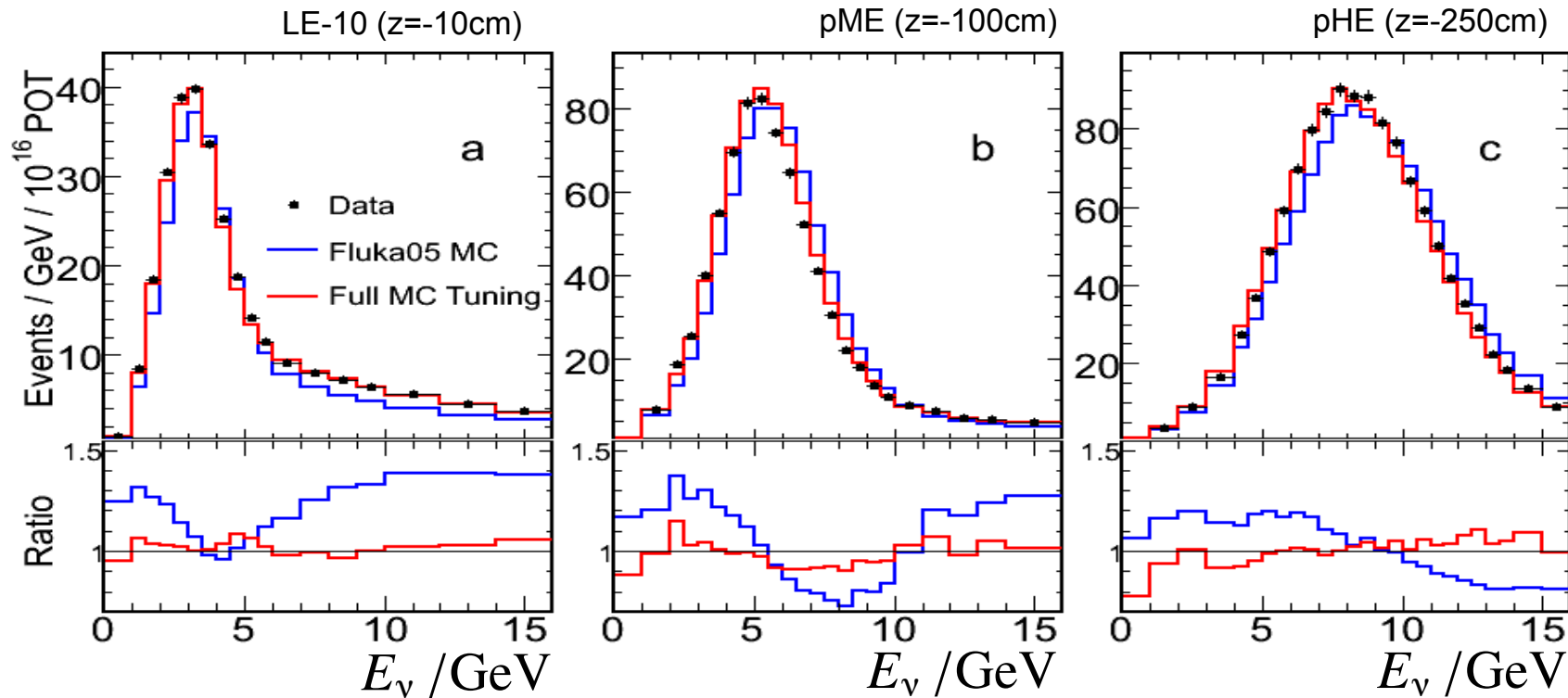
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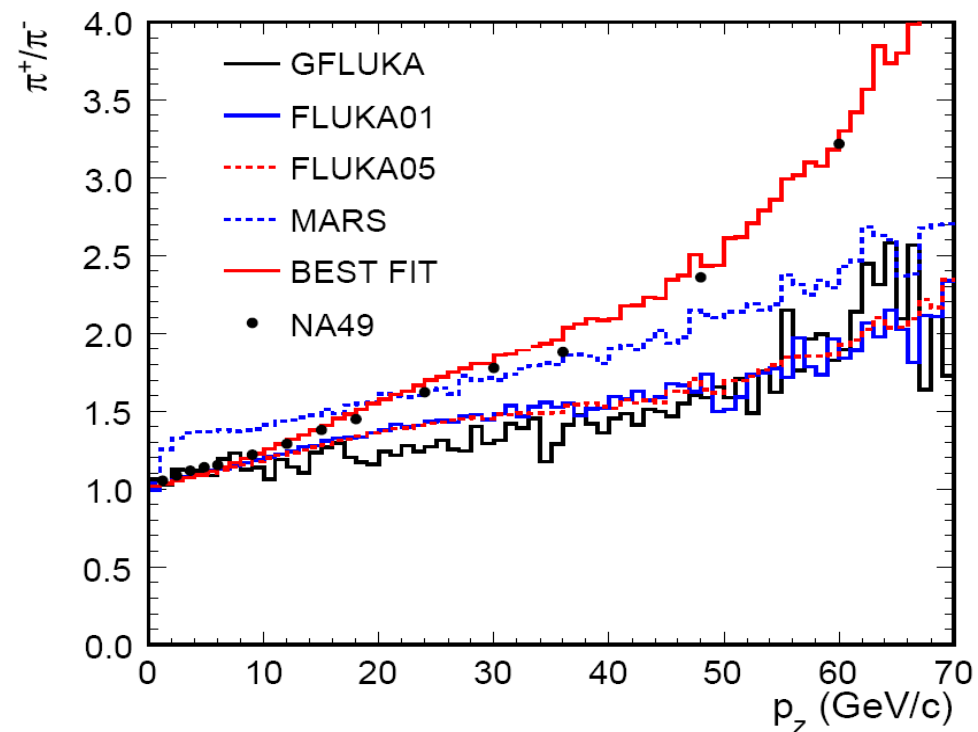
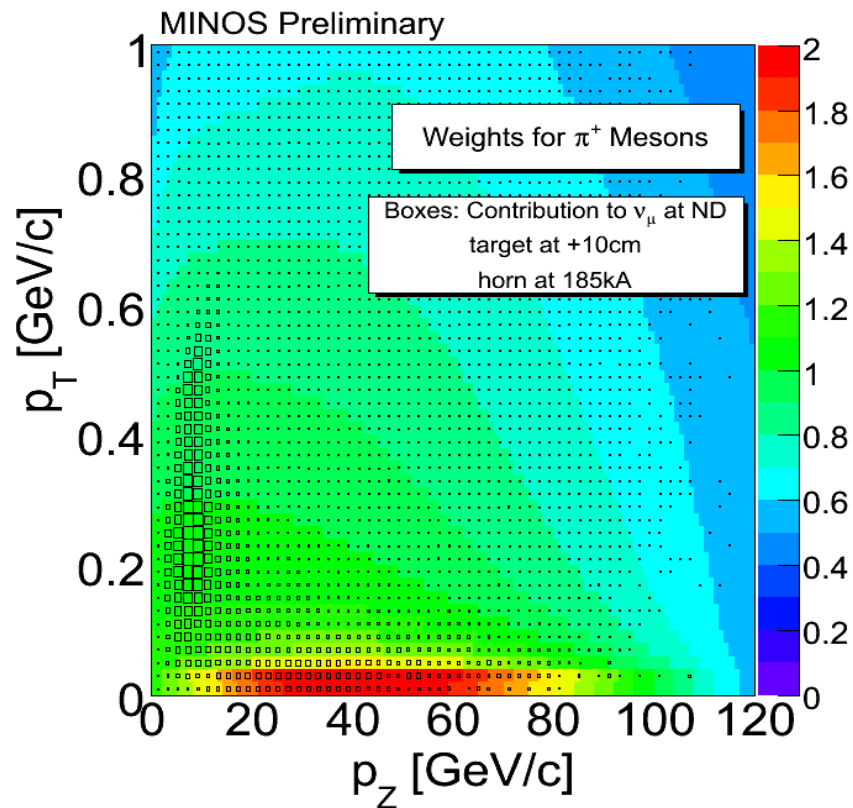
- But is the discrepancy due to flux or cross section?
- Power of having data at different beam configurations !
- Discrepancy changes with beam setting
- Suggestive due to flux modeling rather than cross-section model



# Hadron Production Tuning



- Reweight MC at hadron production level to fit BD data using a smooth function of  $x_F$  and  $p_T$
- Cross check against recent experimental measurements, e.g. NA49



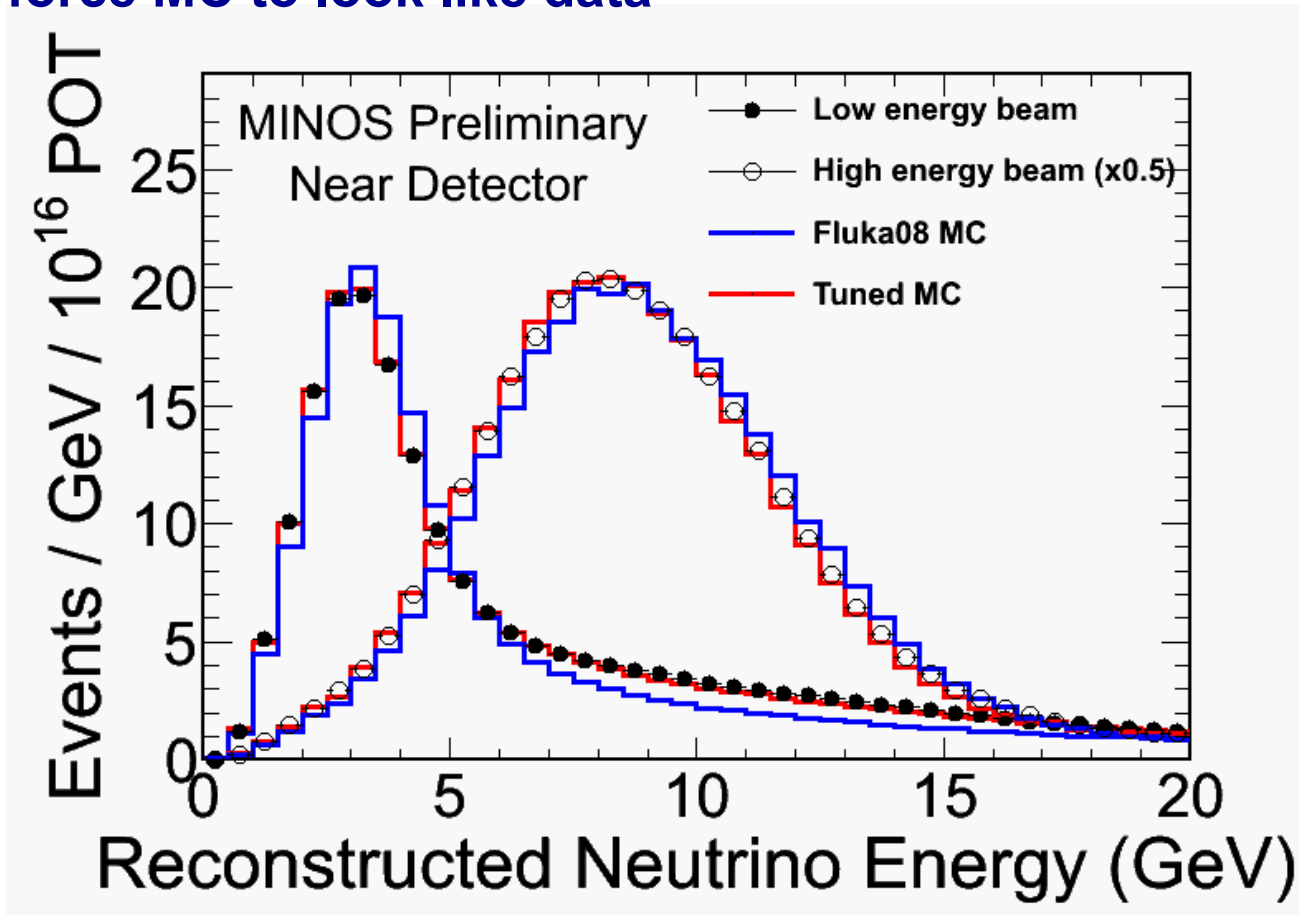
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# It works !



- Effectively force MC to look like data



(There are still residual uncertainties in neutrino flux and neutrino cross section)

But also have **MEASURED** Reconstructed Spectrum in Near Detector



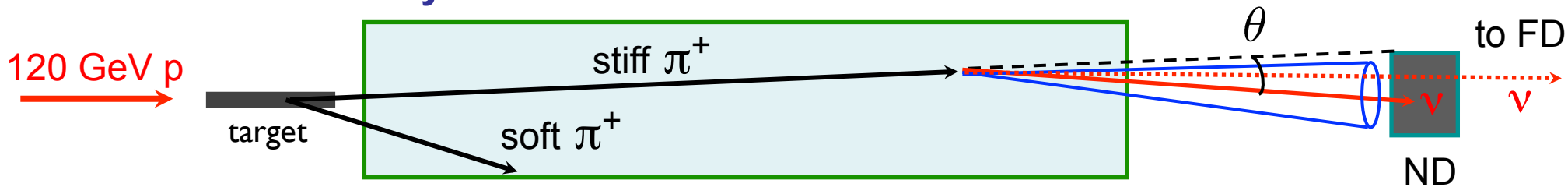
# 6 Disappearance Analysis



- ★ Even in the absence of oscillations the NEAR and FAR detector neutrino spectra are different !

Easy to understand...

- ★ Consider a pion decaying in the decay pipe
- ★ Neutrino can intersect the ND for a relatively wide range of decay angles
- ★ For far detector only decays in a very small range of angles will cross the FD 735 km away



- ★ At small angles, neutrino energy depends on decay angle relative to pion

$$E_\nu = \frac{0.43E_\pi}{1 + \gamma^2\theta^2}$$

- ★ Decays with neutrinos pointing towards the FD tend to have smaller  $\theta$  and hence have slightly higher energy
- ★ **However**, difference is just kinematics, i.e. **well understood !**

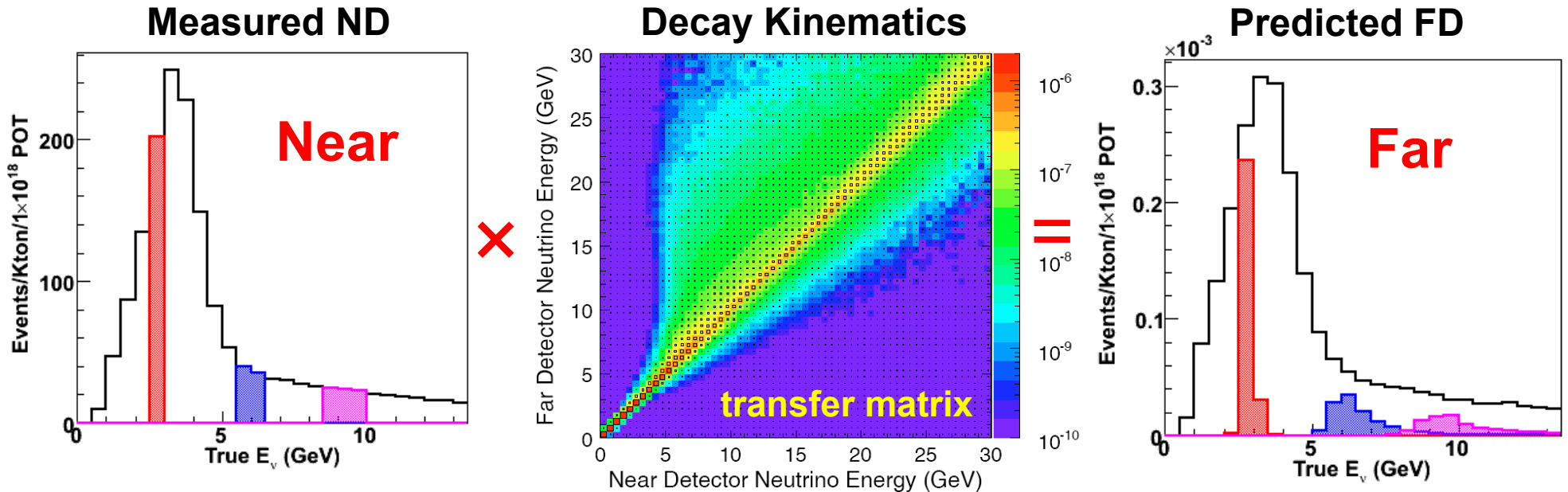




# The Beam Transfer Matrix



★ Attempt to directly use ND spectrum to predict FD spectrum

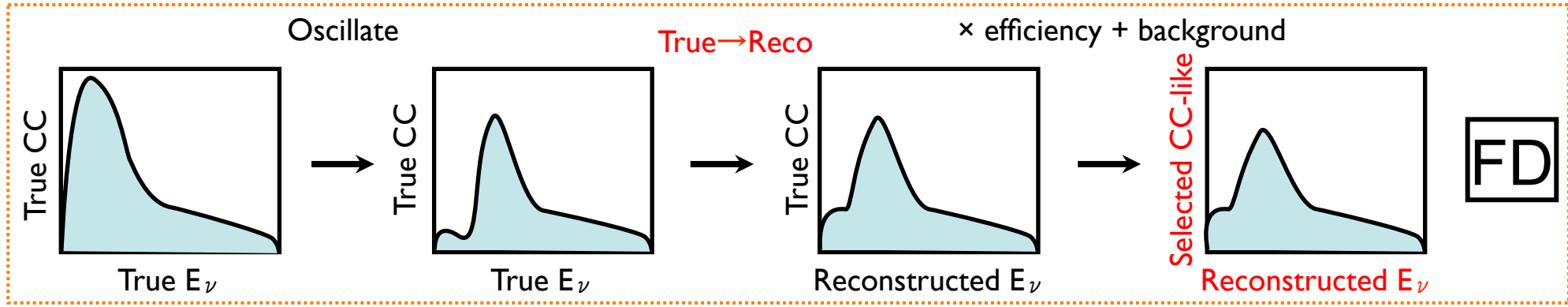
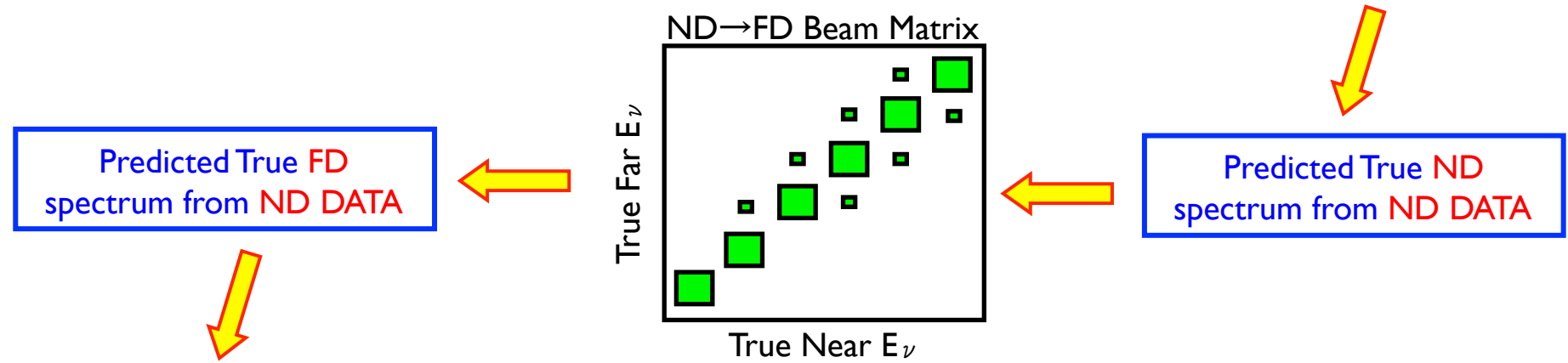
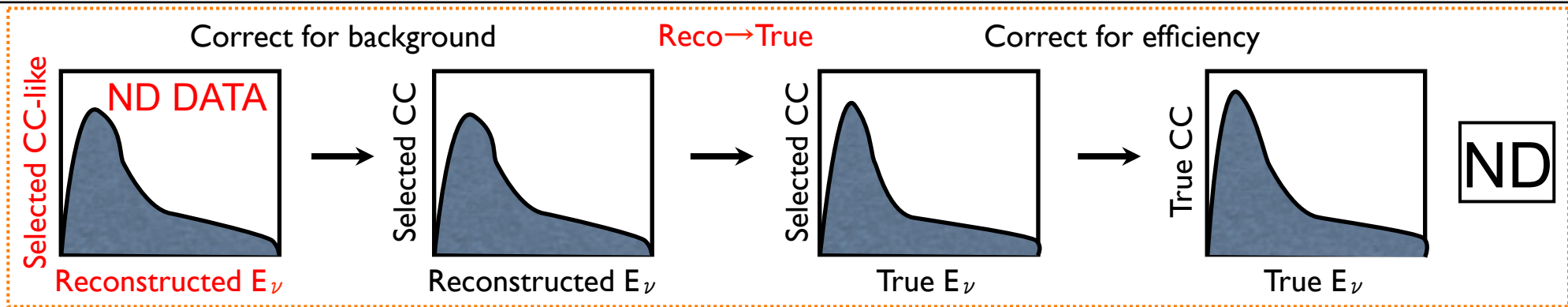


## Beam Transfer Matrix:

- Encapsulates knowledge of 2-body pion decay and geometry
- Beam matrix determined from MC but does not depend strongly on details - **kinematics & geometry** dominate
- **MC tuning only enters as a second order effect in determining matrix**  
- almost identical FD predictions for tuned and untuned MC



# Details of matrix Near $\rightarrow$ Far beam extrapolation



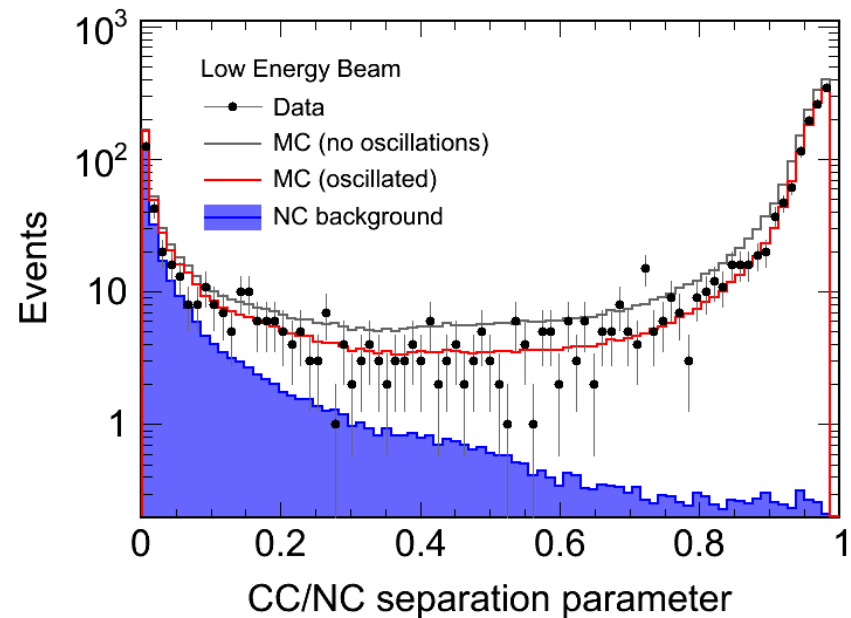


# Far detector data

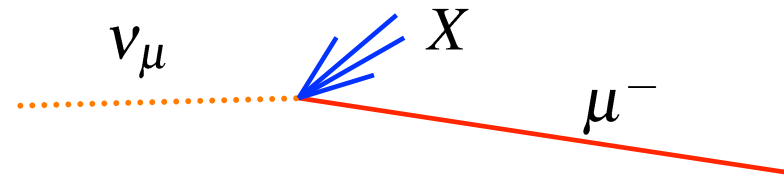
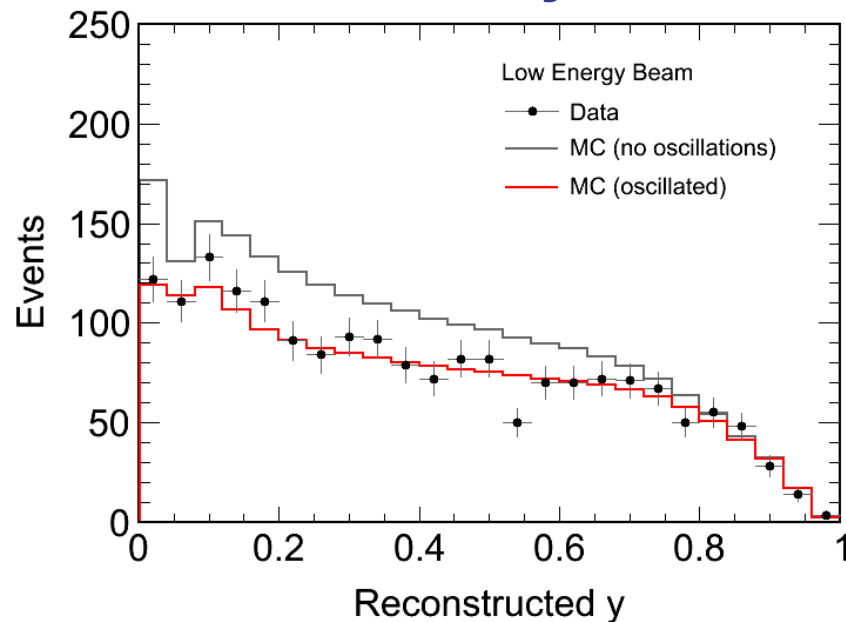


★ Reconstructed event distributions in FD very well modelled

■ CC/NC separation parameter



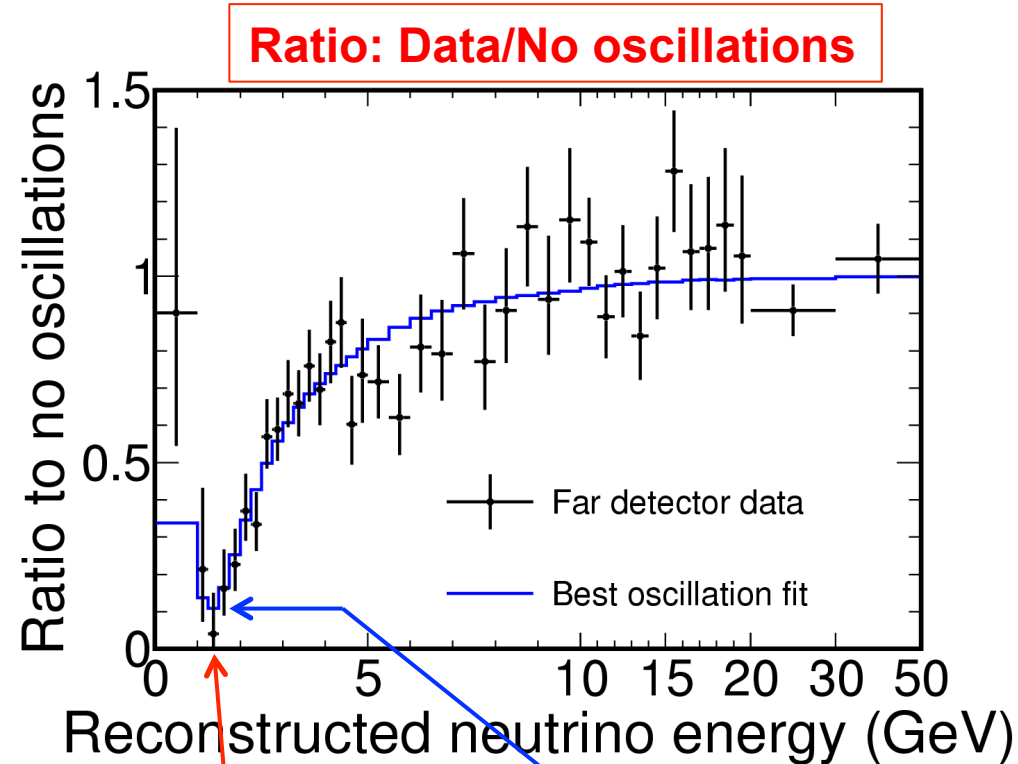
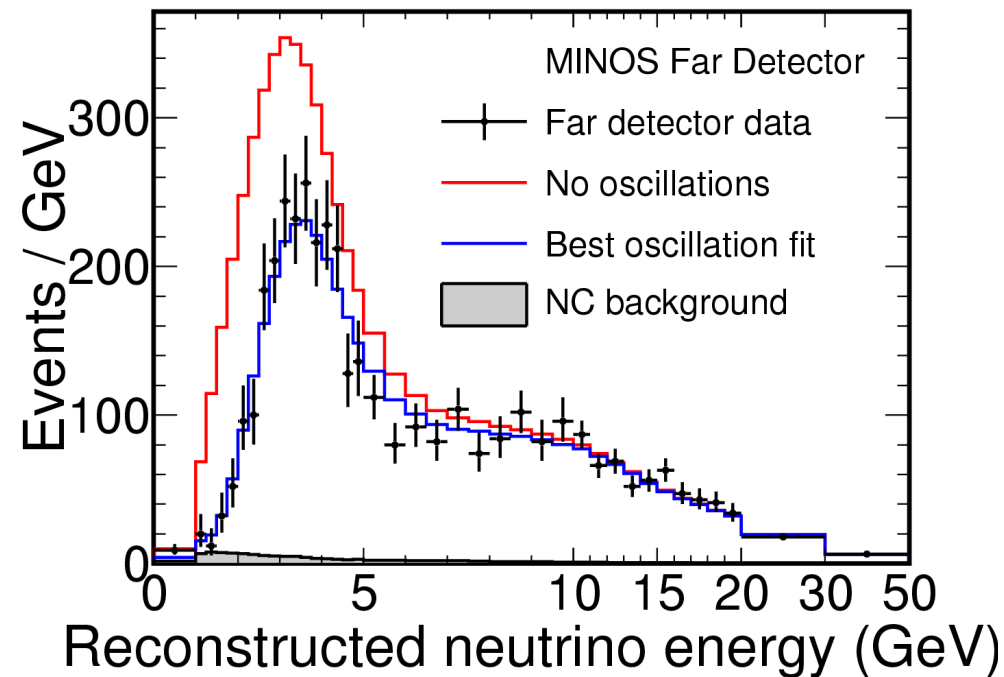
■ Reconstructed  $y$  distribution



$$y = \frac{E_{\text{Shower}}}{E_{\text{Track}} + E_{\text{Shower}}}$$



# Far Detector Energy Spectrum



★ **Expected: 2451 without oscillations**  
includes ~1 CR  $\mu$ , 8.1 rock  $\mu$ , 41 NC, 3  $\nu_\tau$

★ **Observed events: 1986**

★ **Clear Oscillation signal**

**Position of min.** →  $\Delta m^2$

**Depth of minimum** →  $\sin^2 2\theta$

→ **Fit to get oscillation parameters**



# Oscillation Fit/Systematic Uncertainties



- ♦ Oscillation parameters extracted from likelihood fit to reconstructed energy distribution

$$\chi^2(\Delta m^2, \sin^2 2\theta, \alpha_j, \dots) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{bins}} \underbrace{2(e_i - o_i) + 2o_i \ln(o_i/e_i)}_{\text{statistical error}} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{syst}} \underbrace{\frac{\Delta \alpha_j^2}{\sigma_{\alpha_j^2}}}_{\text{systematic errors}}$$

- ♦ Relatively few important systematic uncertainties

Uncertainty	$\Delta m^2$ ( $10^{-3}$ eV <sup>2</sup> )	$\sin^2 2\theta$
Absolute shower energy scale (10%)	0.049	0.001
Muon mom. Scale (2-3%)	0.030	0.001
NC contamination (20%)	0.008	0.008
All other systematics	0.039	<0.005
Total systematic (quad. sum)	0.07	0.01
Statistical uncertainty	0.13	0.06

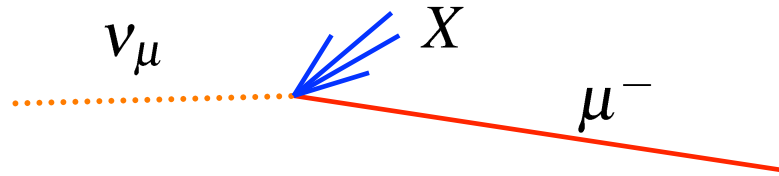
- ★ Only significant uncertainties come from **absolute energy scales**  
- determines position in **energy** of oscillation dip



# Energy Scale



- ★ The absolute energy scale can only be determined from data !



- ★ In particular hadronic energy scale is problematic
  - simulation of underlying event
  - simulation of detector response to low energy hadrons
  - simulation of low energy neutron transport
  - ....

**The absolute energy scale has to be established from test beam**

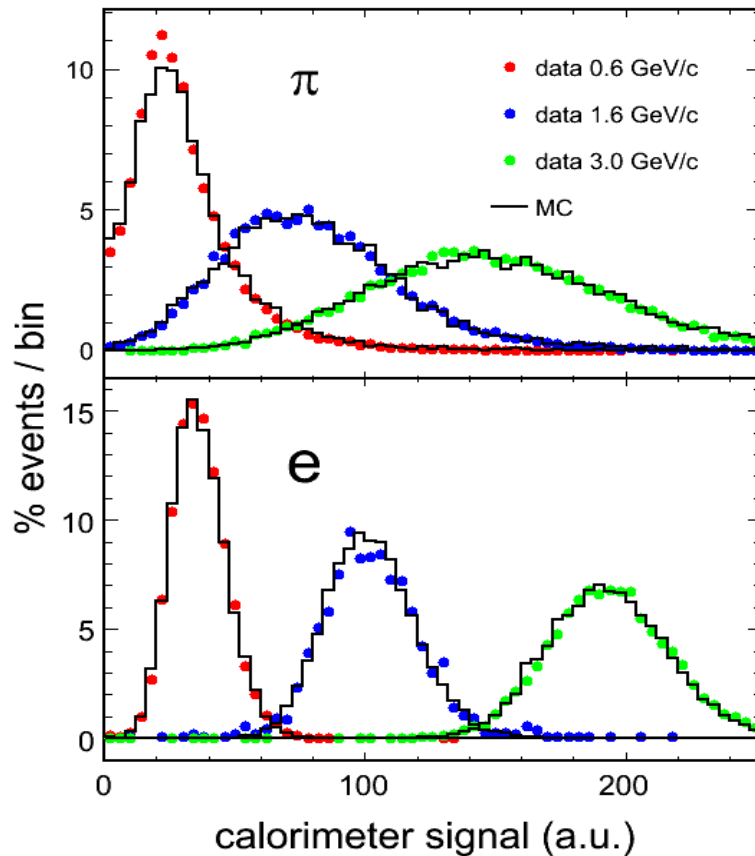
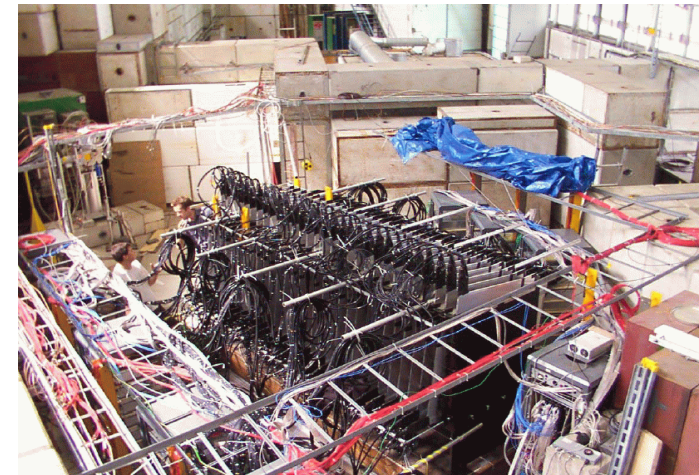




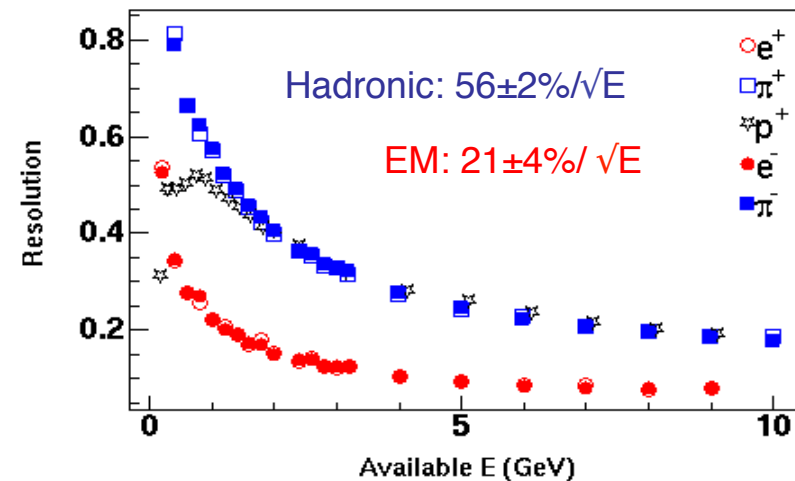
# Test beam Calibration Detector



- ★ 60-plane 'mini-MINOS' exposed in CERN test-beam (2001-2003)
- ★ Energy uncertainties: 3% relative and 1.9% (ND) & 3.5% (FD) absolute



- ★ Also determine energy resolution

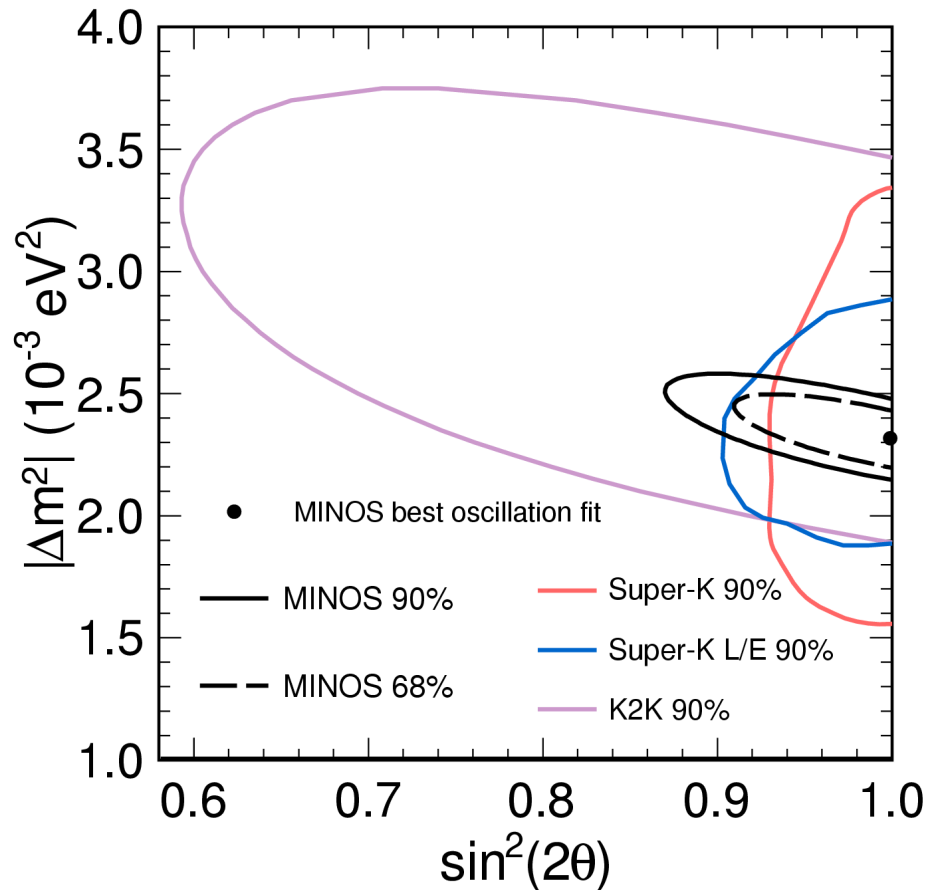




# Final Oscillation Fit



★ **Fit to two flavour approximation**  $P(\nu_i \rightarrow \nu_j) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( 1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{E} \right)$



$$|\Delta m^2| = 2.32^{+0.12}_{-0.08} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

★ **4 % measurement**

$$\sin^2 2\theta > 0.90 \text{ (90 \% C.L.)}$$

★ **Consistent with maximal mixing**

★ **Excellent fit probability: 41%**



# MINOS Physics : Alternative Scenarios



- ★ MINOS is the first **high statistics** long-baseline experiment
- ★ Can study shape of oscillation curve in detail
- ★ In particular, compare standard oscillation hypothesis to other scenarios, e.g.

## Neutrino Decay

V. Barger *et al.*, PRL82:2640(1999)

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta e^{-\frac{\alpha L}{2E}})^2$$

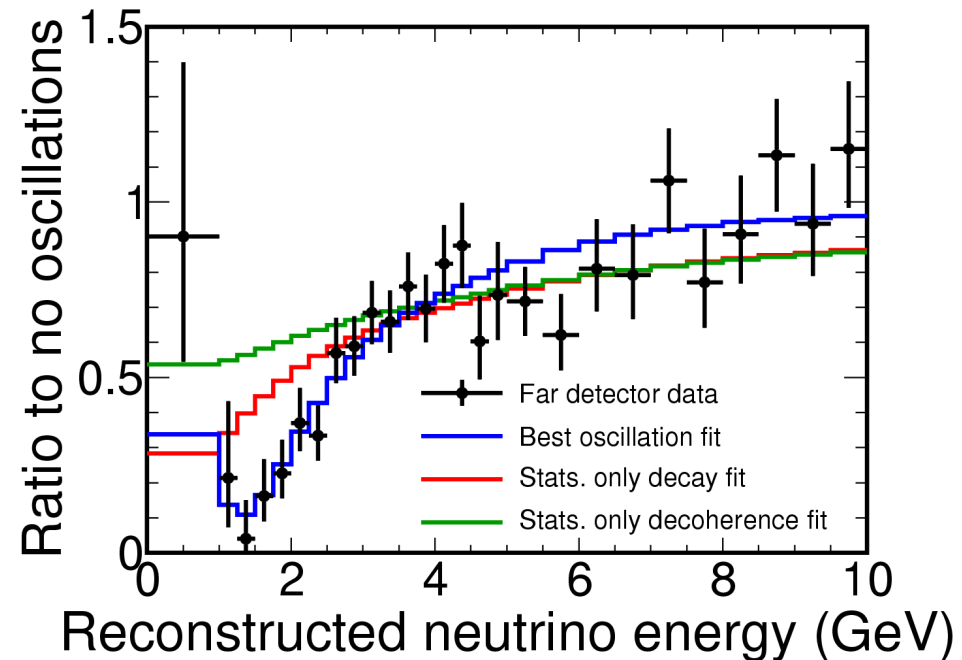
**Disfavoured at 7  $\sigma$  level**

## Neutrino Quantum Decoherence

G.L. Fogli *et al.*, PRD67:093006 (2003)

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = 1 - \frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{2} (1 - e^{-\frac{\mu^2 L}{2E}})$$

**Disfavoured at 9  $\sigma$  level**



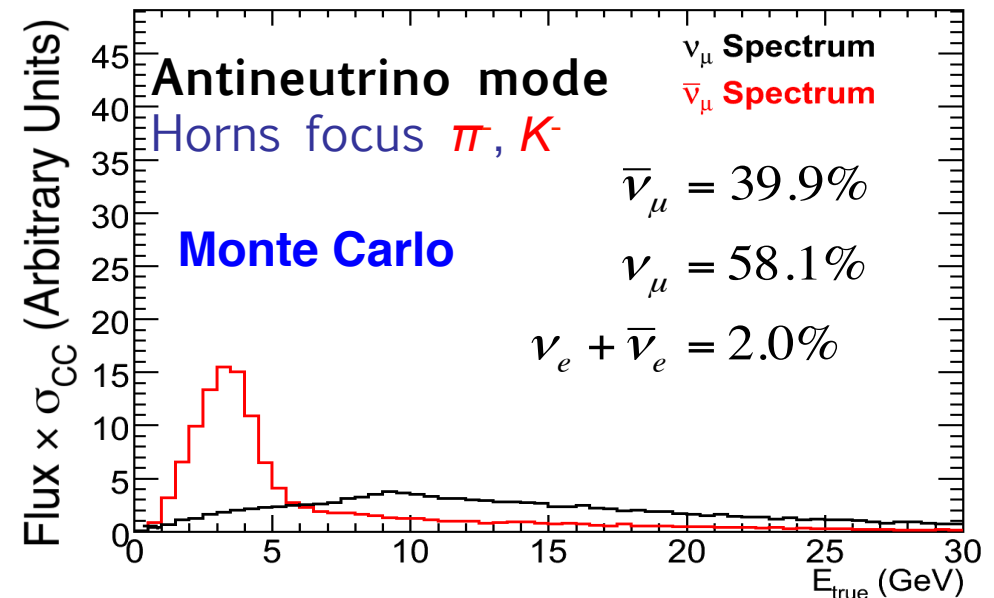
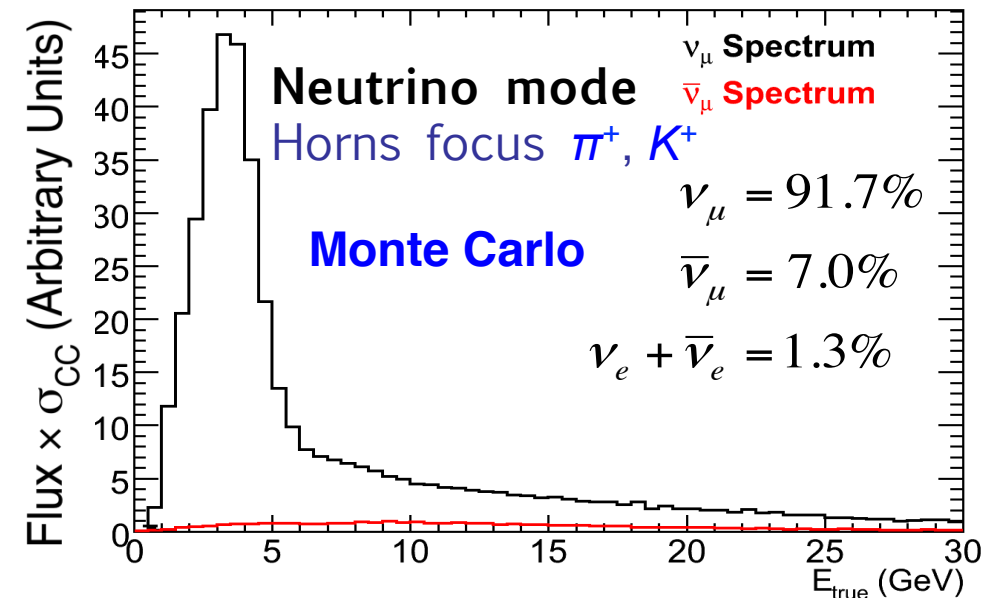
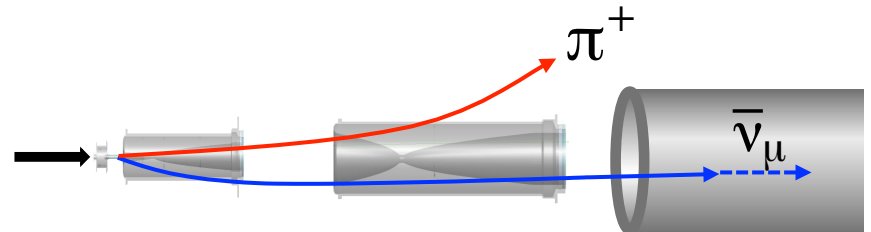
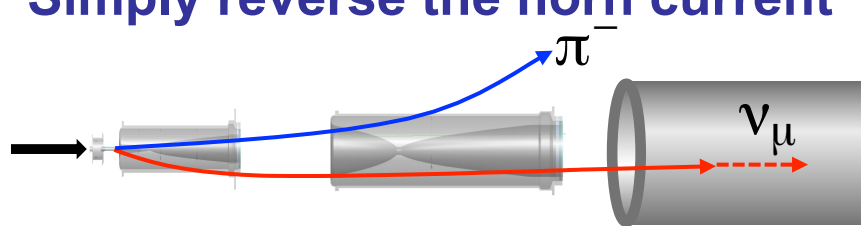
**OSCILLATIONS IT IS !**



# Anti-neutrino oscillations



- ★ MINOS can also study the oscillations of anti-neutrinos
- ★ Unless **CPT is violated**, should see the same parameters as for neutrino
- ★ Simply reverse the horn current

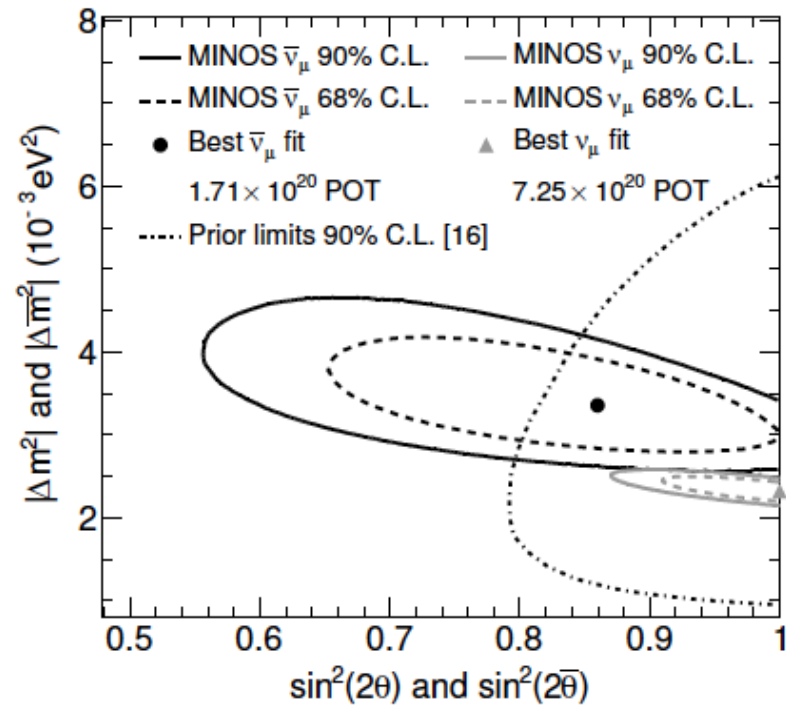
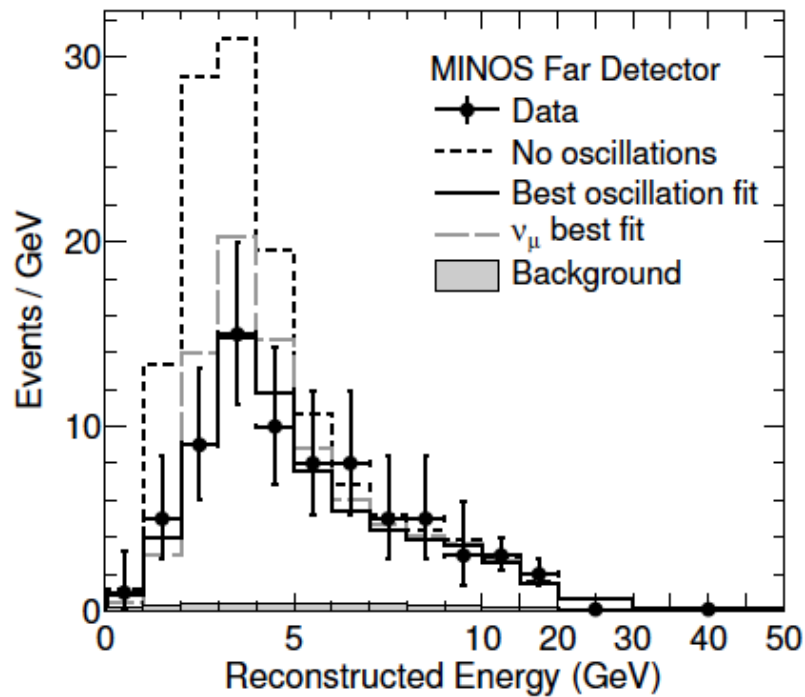


- ★ More “wrong-sign” background due to:  $\sigma(\nu_\mu N) \sim 2\sigma(\bar{\nu}_\mu N)$ 
  - + leading particle charge asymmetry (proton beam)



# Results

- ★ Current results based on only 1.7E20 of data (factor 5 lower than neutrinos) + Reduced flux x cross-section, lower sensitivity, but ...
- ★ 97 events observed (no oscillation expectation of 155)



$$|\Delta \bar{m}^2| = 3.36^{+0.46}_{-0.41} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

c.f.  $|\Delta m^2| = 2.32^{+0.12}_{-0.08} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

**Equivalent to a 2.1 standard deviation difference**

- ★ Updated results (larger data sample) very soon...



# Searching for $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$ Oscillations in a wide-band beam





# 7 Search for $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ Oscillations



- ★ Neglecting CP violation and matter effects

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx -4U_{e1}U_{\mu1}U_{e2}U_{\mu2} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E} \right) + 4U_{e3}^2 U_{\mu3} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

- ★ For long baseline experiments, only the “32” mass scale is relevant

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

- ★ From the CHOOZ reactor experiments, know  $\theta_{13}$  is small

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.16$$

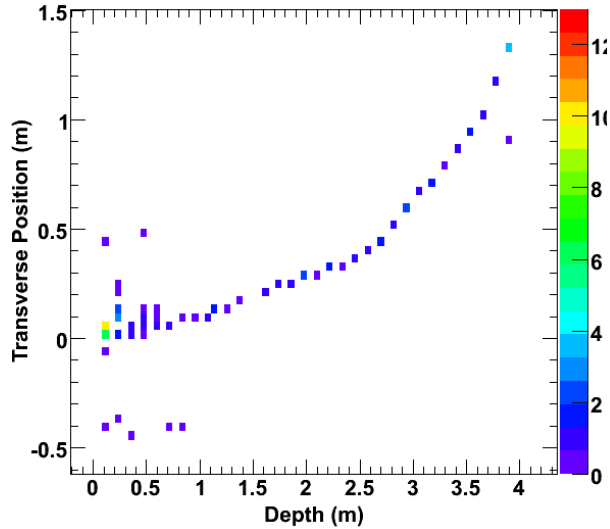
**Looking for a small signal**



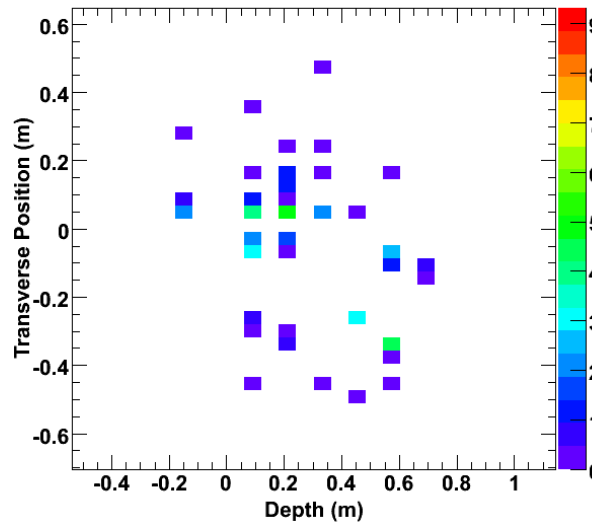
# Looking for $\nu_e$ appearance in MINOS



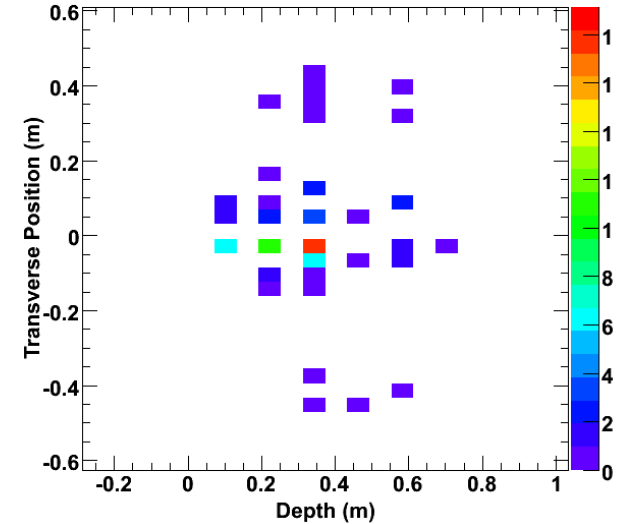
★ The signature for  $\nu_e$  CC in MINOS is not very clean



$\nu_\mu$  CC



$\nu_\mu$  NC



$\nu_e$  CC

- ★ The main issue is distinguishing the signal from the NC background
- ★ NC events can fake  $\nu_e$  if significant EM fraction in hadronic shower, e.g. from  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- ★ MINOS detector is far from ideal....

## EM Showers in MINOS

Radiation length in steel: 1.76 cm

Molière radius: 3.7 cm

## Detector Parameters

Steel thickness: 2.54 cm

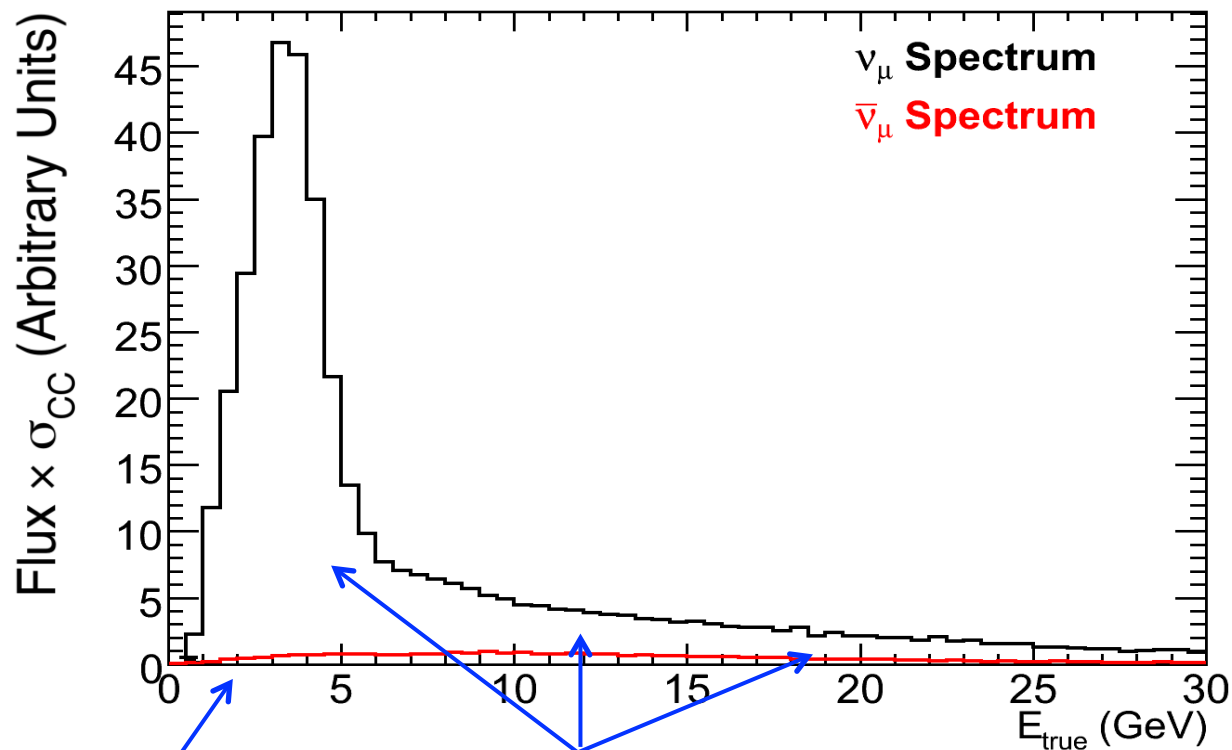
Strip width: 4.1 cm



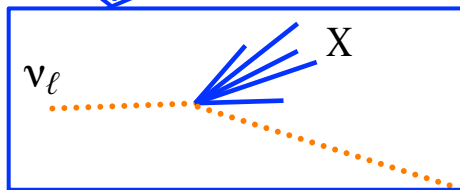
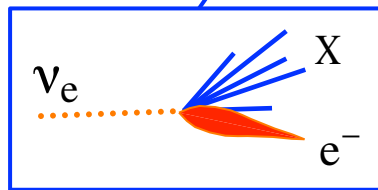
# + Wide band beam



★ MINOS wide band beam does not help...



$$E_{vis} = E_\nu$$



$$E_{vis} = yE_\nu < E_\nu$$

★ Signal below peak of spectrum

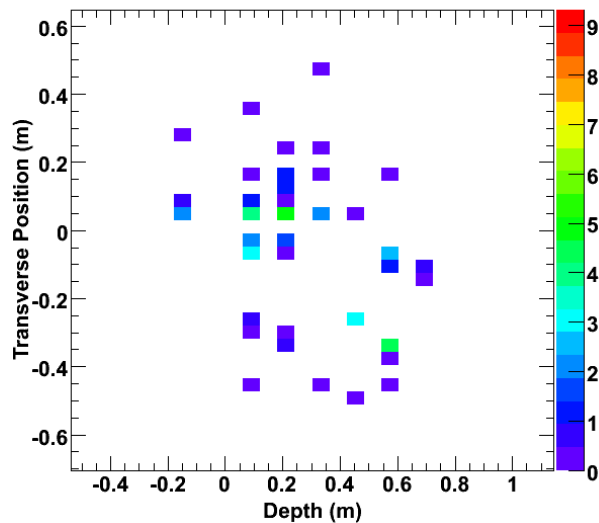
★ all NC events with neutrino energy > 2 GeV can form background



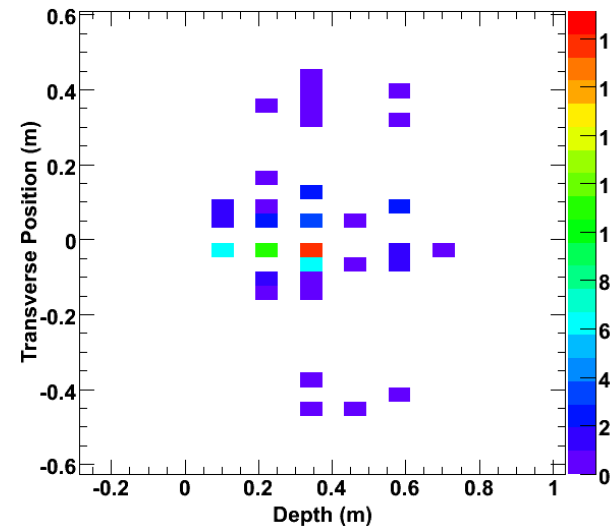
# Event Identification



- ★ Need to separate NC background from “similar looking” signal



$\nu_{\mu}$  NC



$\nu_e$  CC

- ★ Traditionally would reconstruct set of variables
  - Energy, Number of hits, Shower profile, ...
- ★ Use ANN multivariate discriminator
- ★ BUT here the number of hits is not large
  - potentially smaller than number of variables
- ★ Came up with a new approach (Cambridge/CalTech)
- ★ Use hit patterns directly - no loss of information !

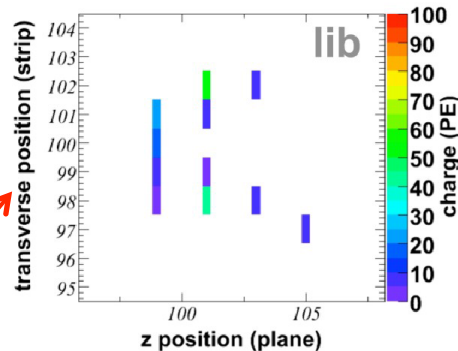
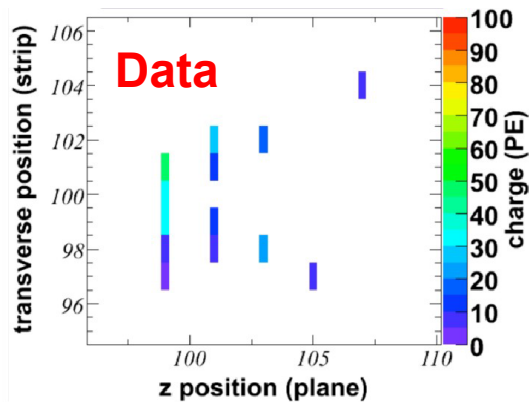


# Library Event Matching

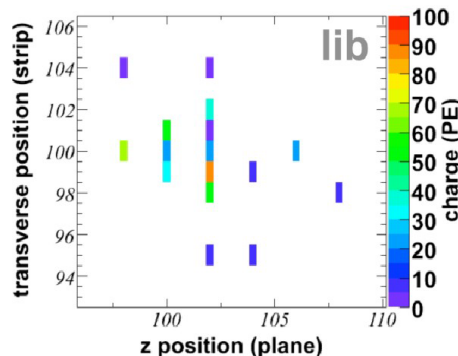
- ★ Build large library of about 50,000,000 MC events
  - 20M  $\nu_e$  and 30M NC
- ★ For each data compare pattern of hits to entire library
- ★ Form quality of match likelihood for events  $i$  and  $j$

$$-\ln \prod_{\text{hits}} \int_0^\lambda P(n_i, \lambda) P(n_j, \lambda) d\lambda$$

Where  $P(n, \lambda)$  is Poisson probability of seeing  $n$  photoelectrons in a strip, when  $\lambda$  are expected



**Good match**

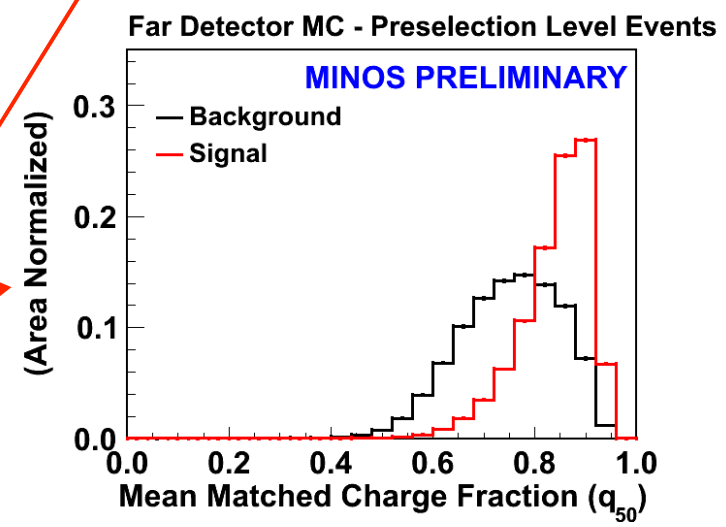
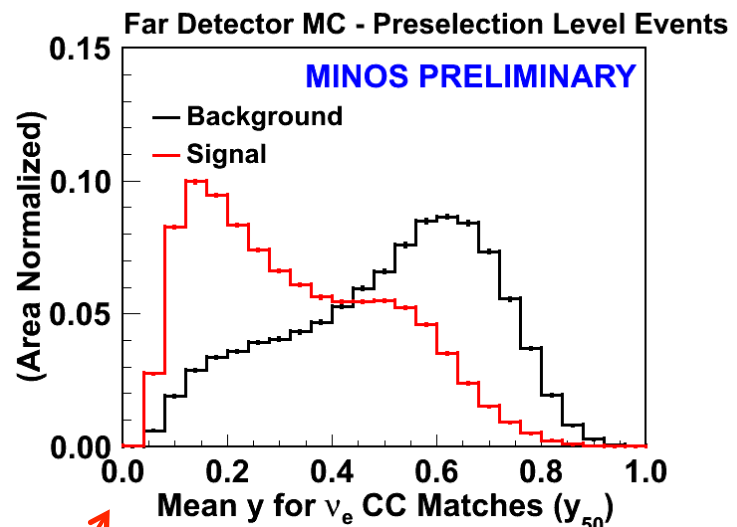
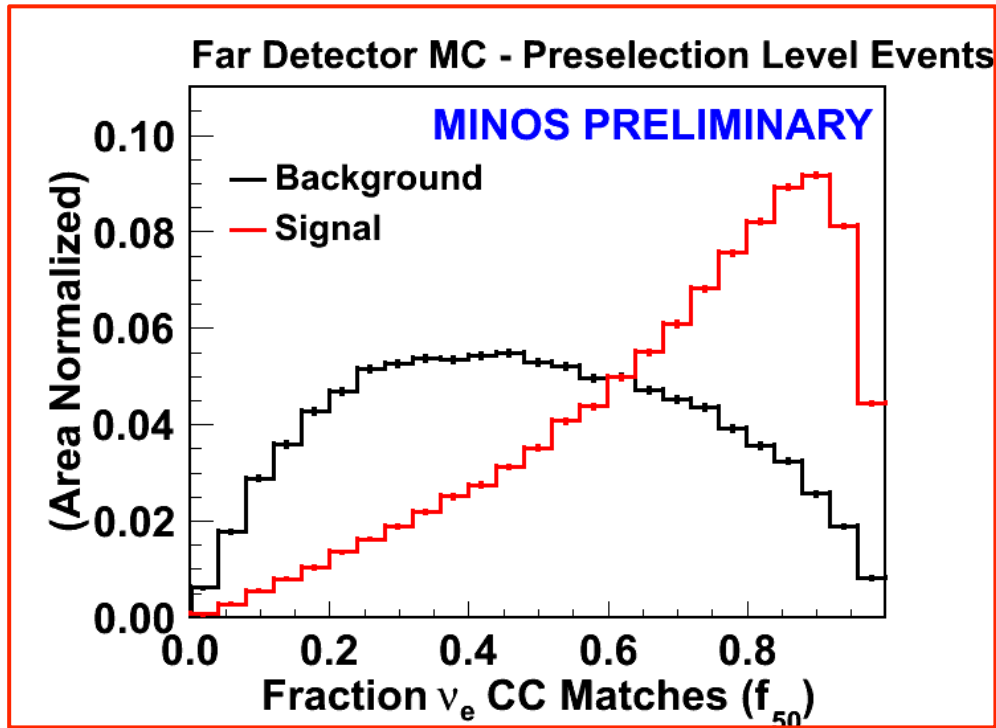


**Bad match**

... repeat 50M times  
... identify 50 best matches



★ Fraction of best matches which are MC  $\nu_e$  provides a powerful discriminant



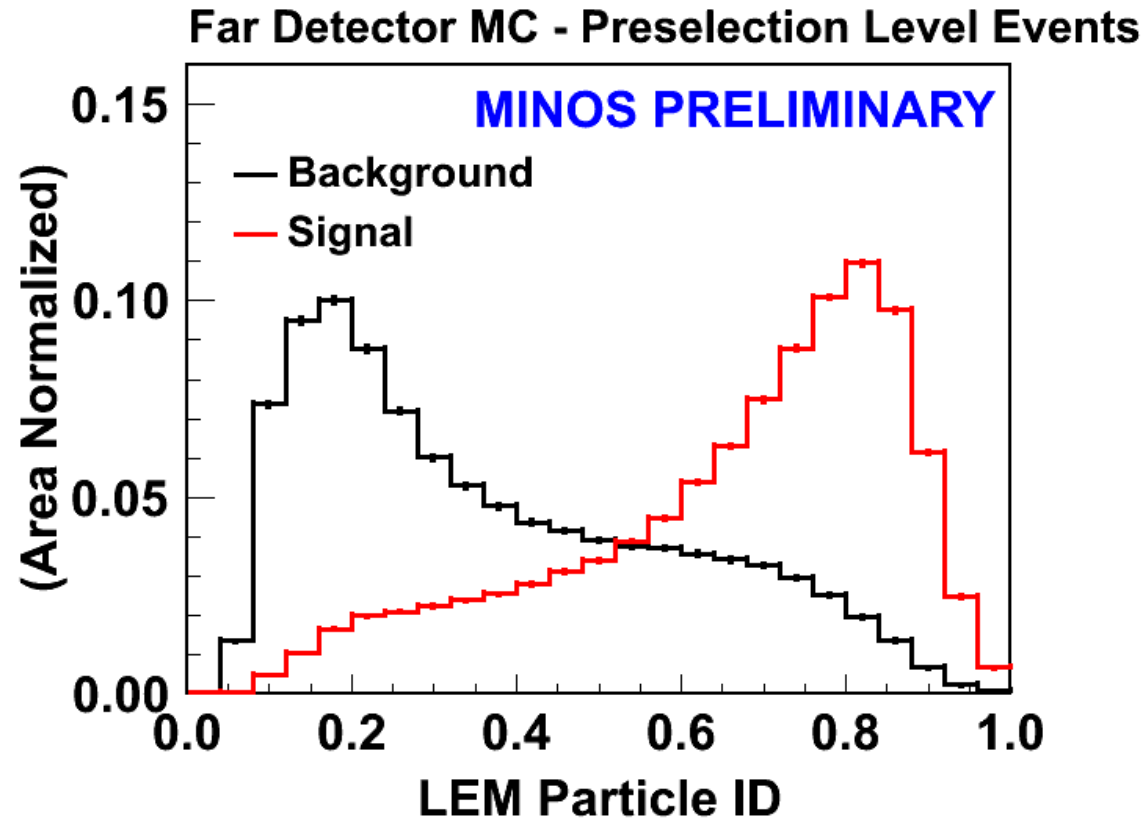
- ★ also “mean y of best matches”
- ★ fraction of charge matched



# LEM Discriminant



★ Combine 3 LEM output variables using an ANN

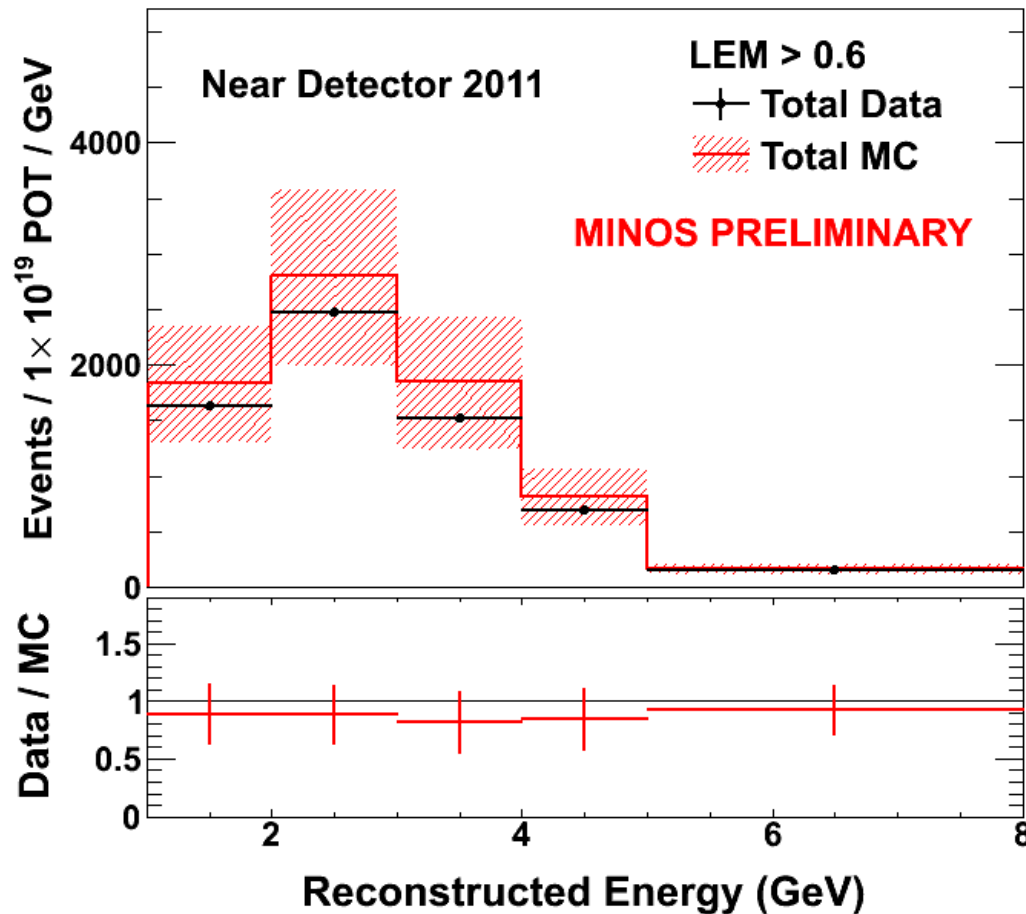


★ 40 % signal efficiency  
★ 98 % background rejection

★ Good – but in a wide-band beam the background is high...



- ★ So still looking for a very small signal above a large background
  - need an accurate prediction of FD background
  - use ND data - analysis would be **impossible** without it !



- ★ Large uncertainty on raw MC prediction
  - mainly hadronisation
  - also nuclear effects
- ★ Need to correct to data
  - then extrapolate to FD
  - **also need to know what fraction of the background is NC vs CC  $\nu_\mu$**

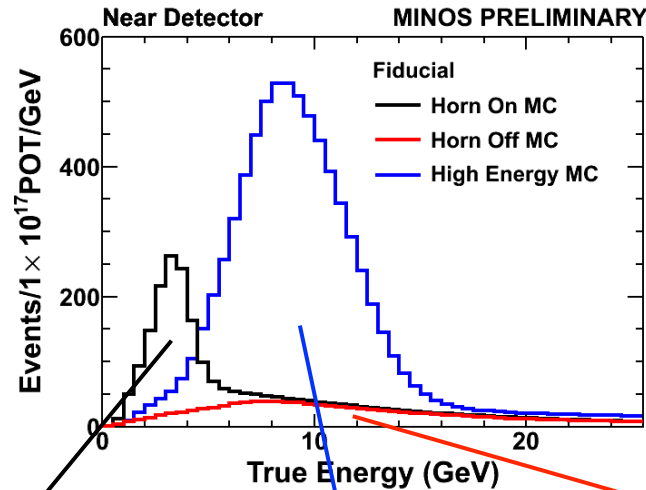




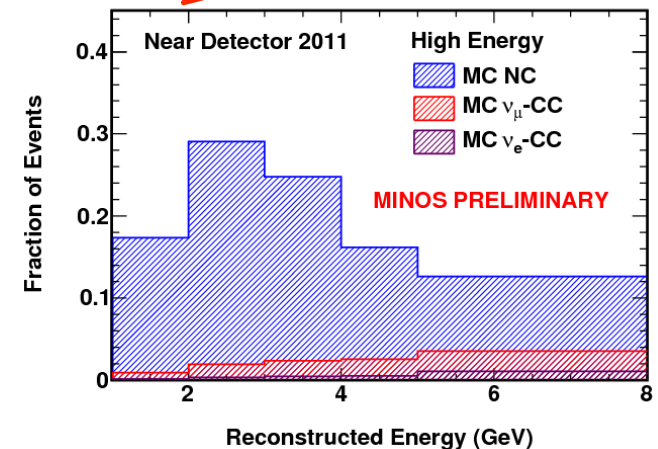
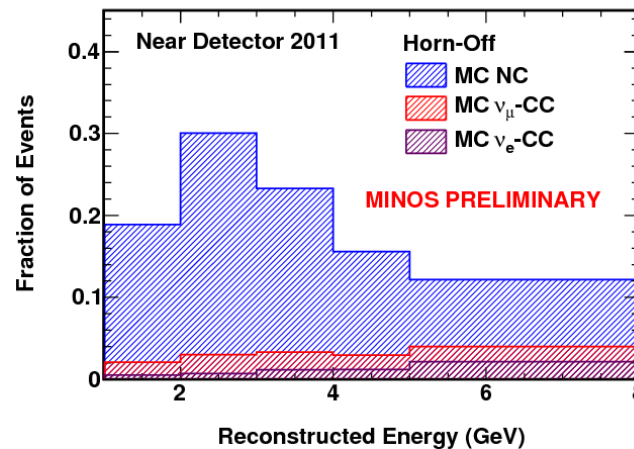
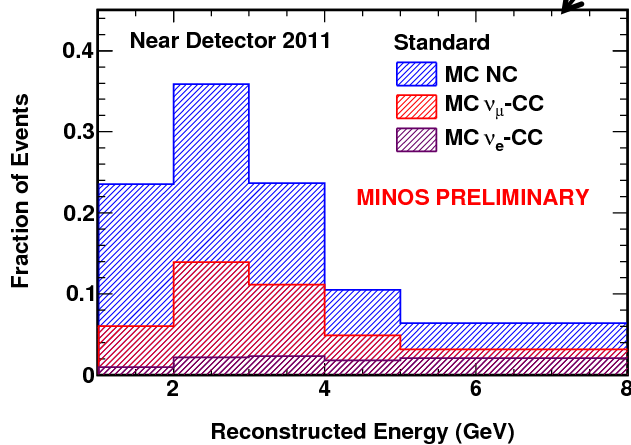
# Different Beam Conditions



- ★ Different beam configurations have different levels of NC/CC and beam components which allows each to be extracted separately  $\nu_e$



- ★ LEM selected...

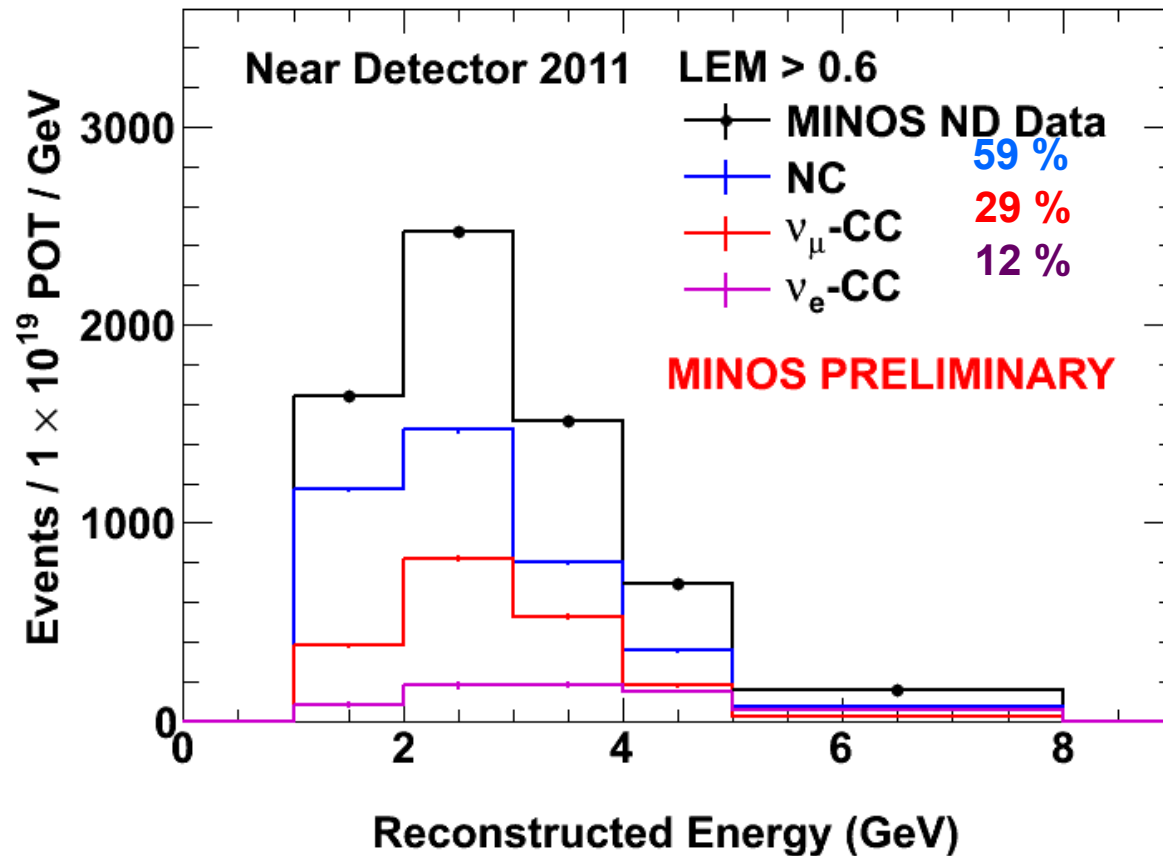




# ND Spectrum



## ★ Data driven decomposition of the ND selected energy distribution



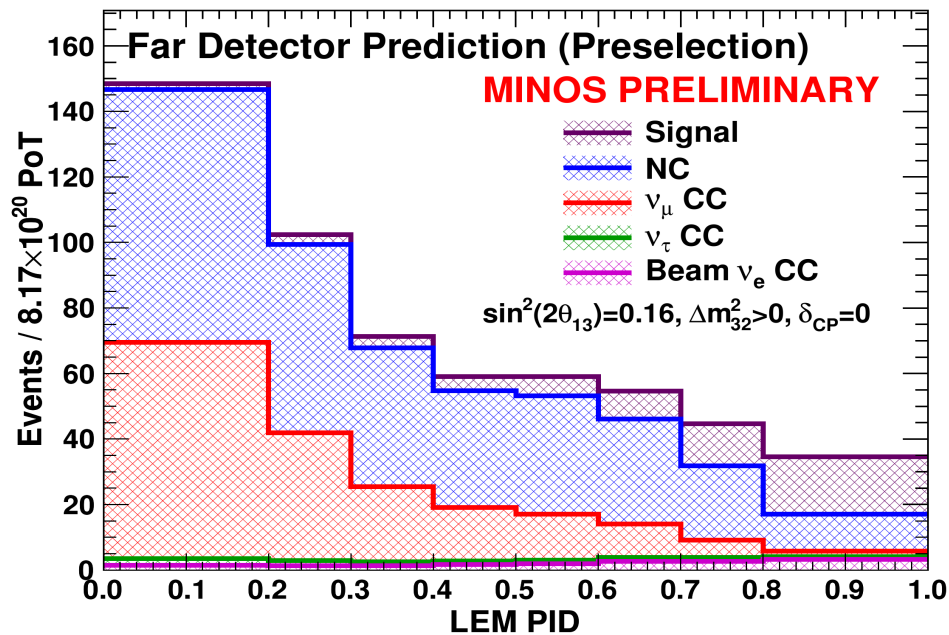
## ★ Can now extrapolate to FD

- CC Oscillated
- NC Unoscillated



# Hard work, but...

## ★ FD prediction as function of PID



Component	Predicted
NC	34
$\nu_\mu$ CC	7
Beam $\nu_e$ CC	6
$\nu_\tau$ CC	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49</b>
$\nu_e$ at $\theta_{13} = 0.2$	30

S/N < 0.6

★ Background uncertainty ~6 %

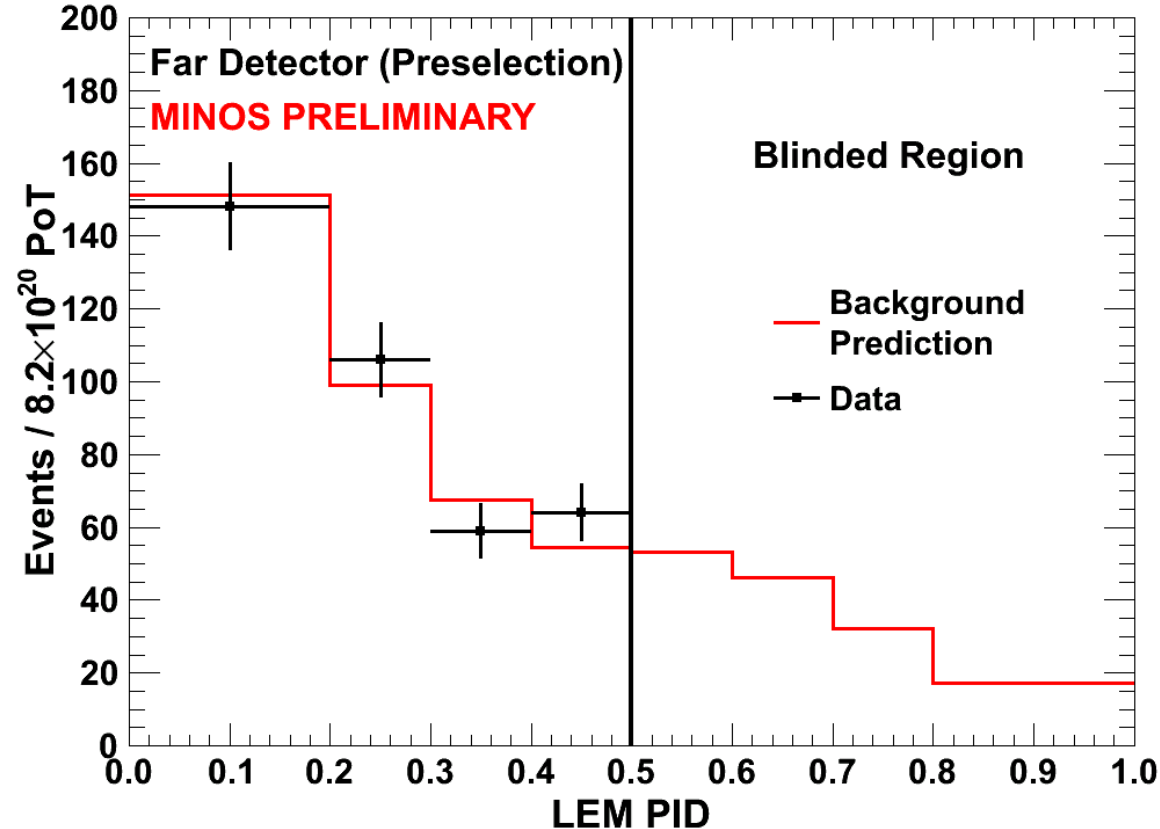
★ All down to having (almost) identical near detector which is used to directly determine the background !



# Results



- ★ **Blind analysis**
  - ★ **In background-like region,  $LEM < 0.5$** 
    - **observe: 377 events**
    - **expect: 372 events ( $\theta_{13}=0$ )**
- } **Tests complete analysis chain**





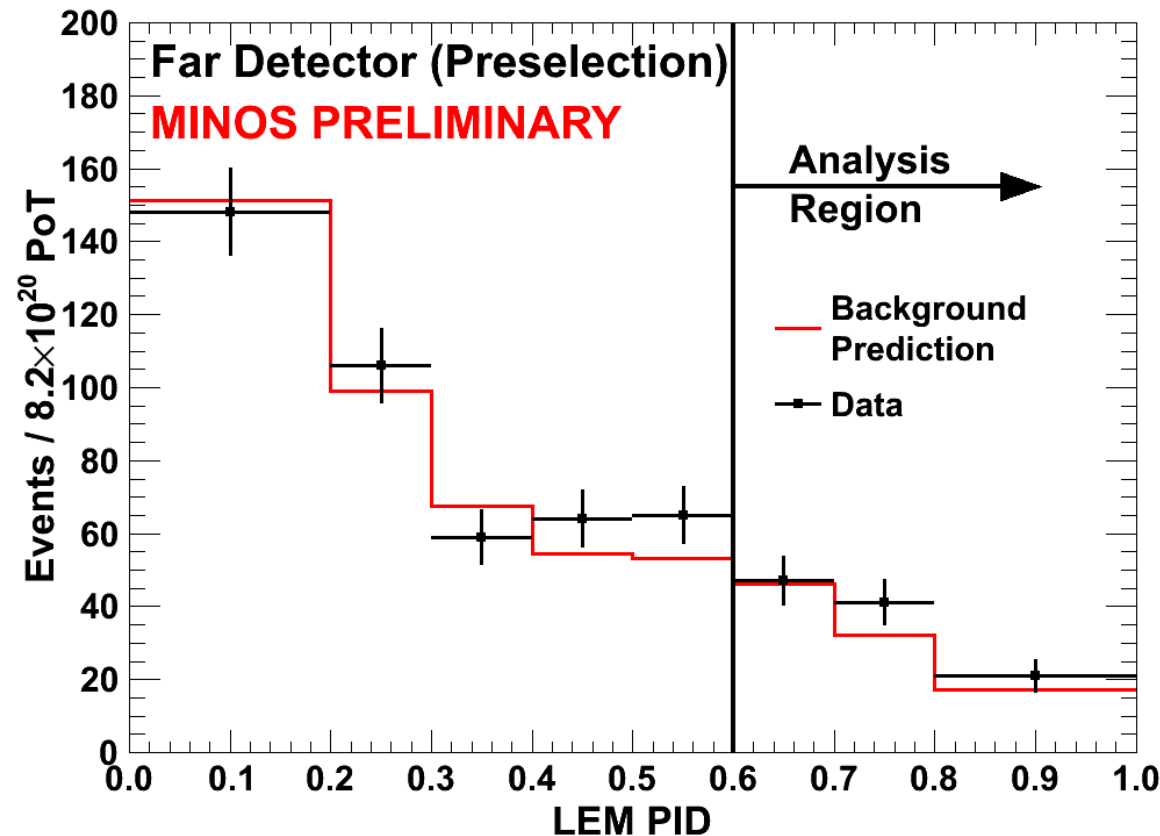
# Results



★ In signal-like region,  $LEM > 0.6$

- observe: 62 events
- expect:  $49.5 \pm 2.8$  ( $\theta_{13}=0$ )

1.65  $\sigma$  excess in high PID region

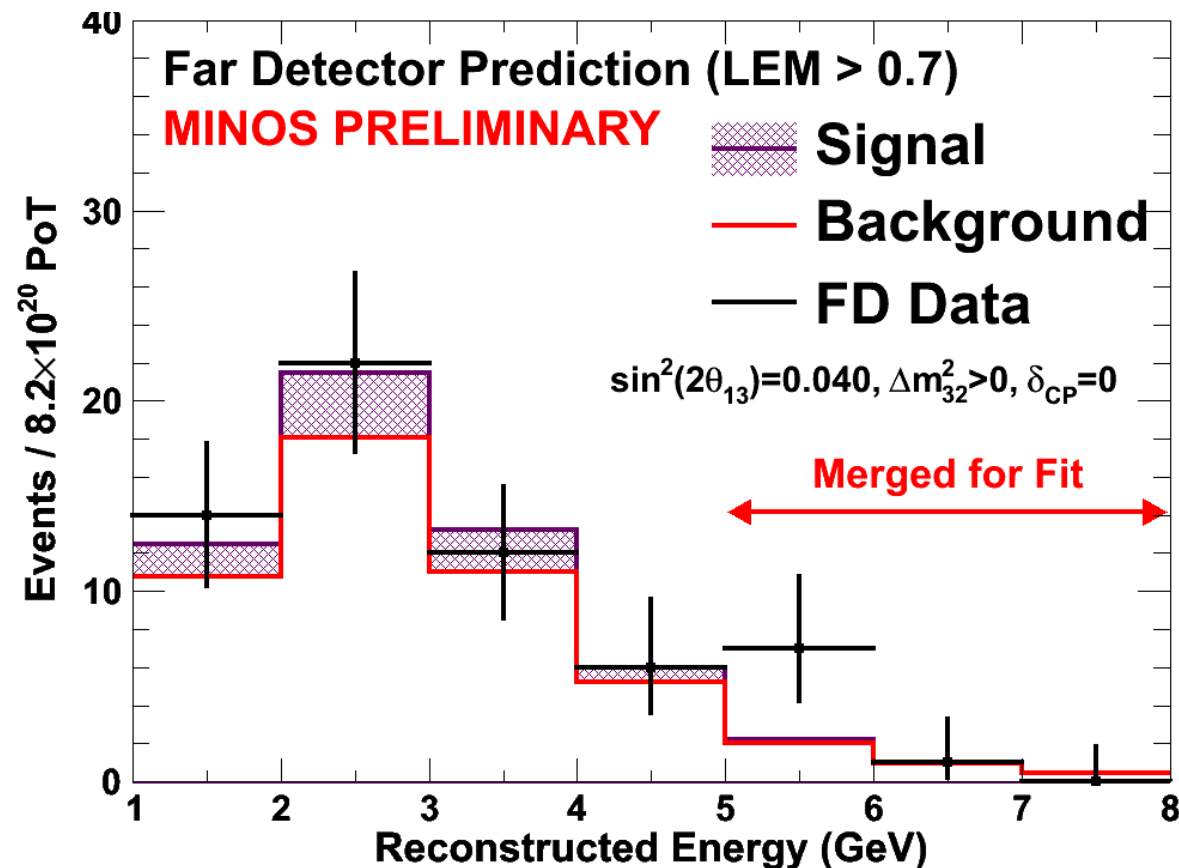




# Fit



- ★ Fit energy distribution in 3 PID bins observe: 377 events
  - $0.6 < \text{LEM} < 0.7$ ,  $0.7 < \text{LEM} < 0.8$ ,  $\text{LEM} > 0.8$
- ★ Figure shows signal enhanced region,  $\text{LEM} > 0.7$ 
  - for best fit  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04$





# Interpretation

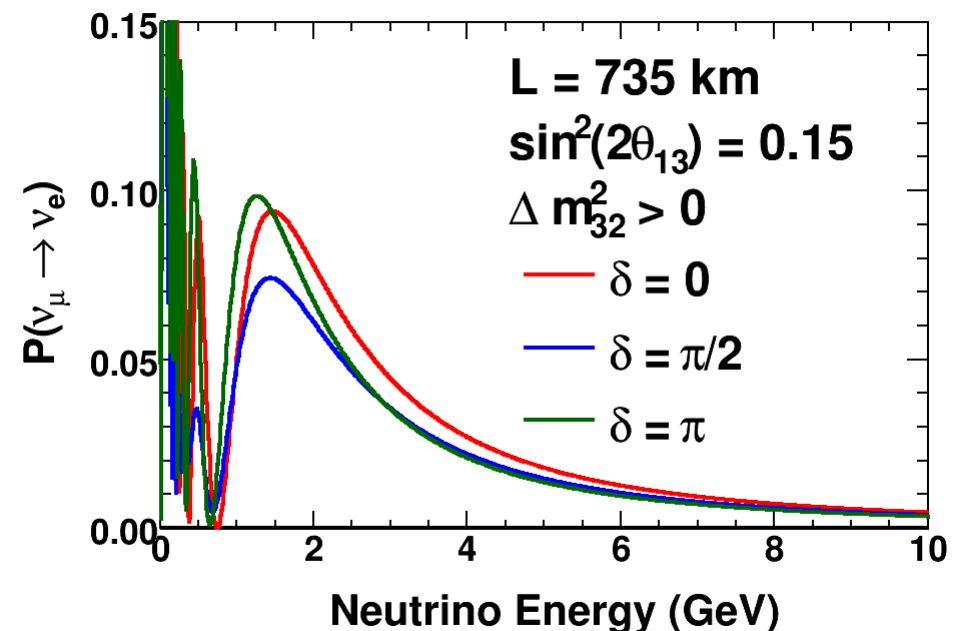
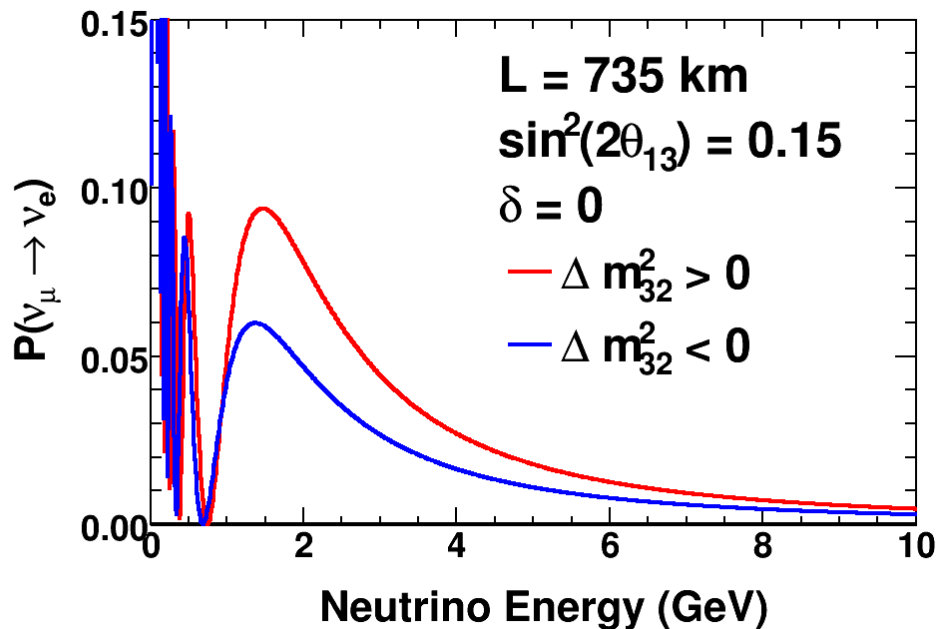


## ★ Simple two-flavour formula

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

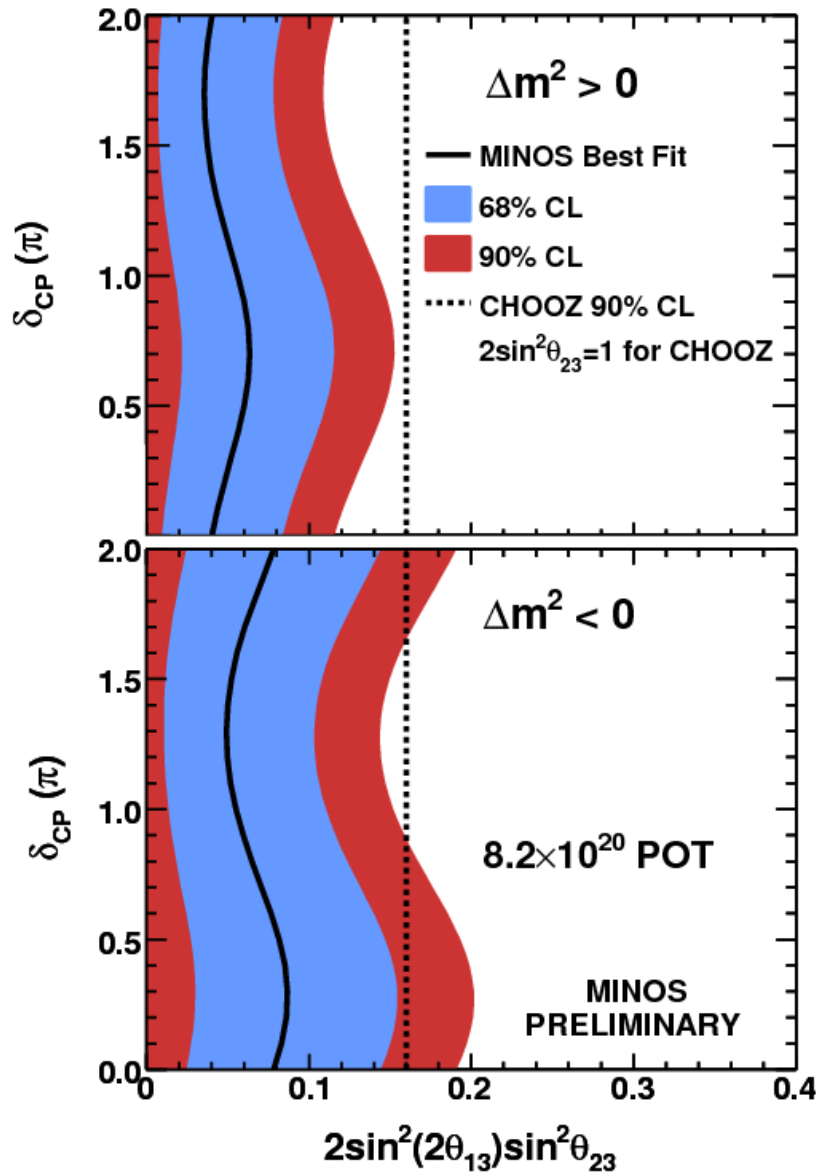
is only approximate.

## ★ Including matter effects and CP violation get small dependence on mass hierarchy and CP phase





# MINOS Results (Summer 2011)



★ Assuming  $\delta = 0$ ,  $\theta_{23} = \pi/4$

- Exclude zero at 89 % C.L.

★ For normal (inverted) hierachy

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04 (0.08) \text{ best fit}$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.12 (0.19) \text{ 90 \% C.L.}$$

★ Hints of non-zero value of  $\theta_{13}$

### Comments:

★ Interesting result...

★ but, **very** hard work

- Detector not optimized for  $\nu_e$ 
  - granularity too coarse

- Beam not optimized for  $\nu_e$ 
  - **Wide band beam, NC backgrounds are high!**





# MINOS Summary



- ★ MINOS is a very simple experiment
  - Made a number of important measurements/limits
    - $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$
    - $|\Delta \bar{m}_{32}^2|$
    - $\theta_{13}$
- ★ Power comes from two functionally identical detectors
  - Most systematics just cancel
- ★ Optimised for disappearance measurement
  - Most systematics just cancel
- ★ Not optimised for electron appearance
  - detector too little granularity
  - **wide-band** beam leads to large NC background



# 8 $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ off-axis



The next generation...

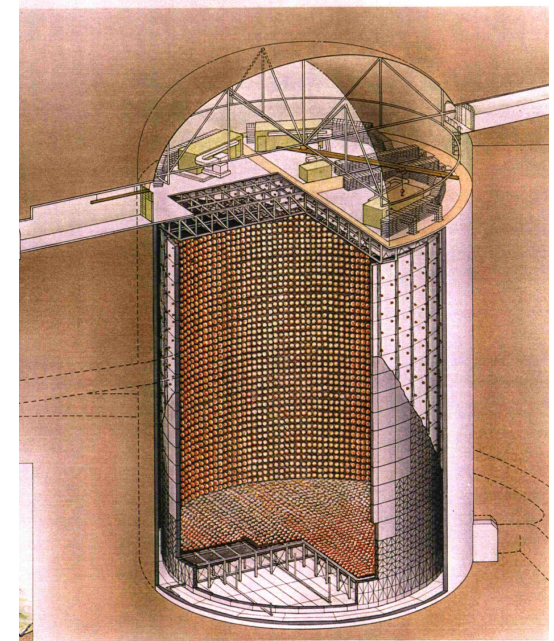
**T2K**



# T2K Motivation



- ★ Super-Kamiokande water Cherekov detector is the largest neutrino detector in existence
- ★ Well understood detection of electrons and muons
- ★ Much lower thresholds than MINOS,
- ★ T2K = SK + JPARC neutrino beam:  
L= 295 km



## Neutrino Beam

- ★ Optimised for subdominant oscillations  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$
- ★ Maximise S/N ratio – i.e. minimize backgrounds
- ➔ Off-axis narrow-band beam tuned to oscillations at

$$|\Delta m^2| \sim 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$



# T2K Beam



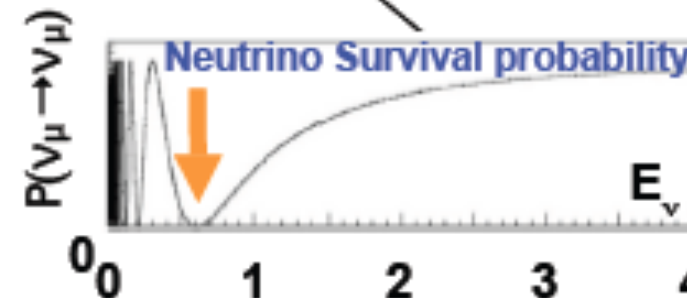
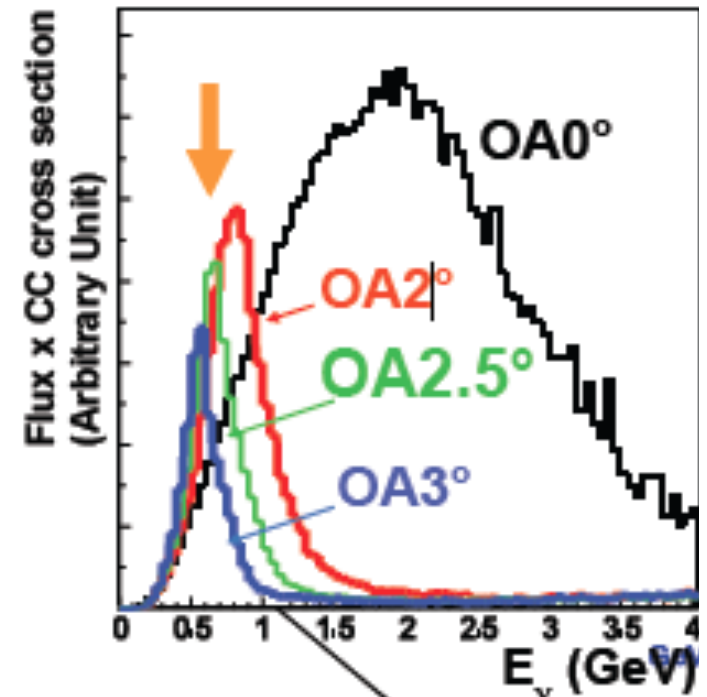
- ★ Aim for maximum flux at oscillation maximum of 600 MeV

recall 
$$E_\nu \approx \frac{0.03}{\theta}$$

- ★ For JPARC beam the optimum is

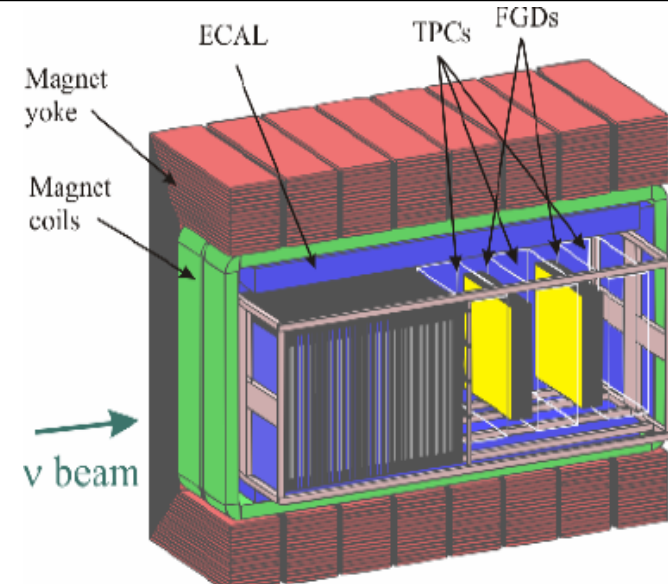
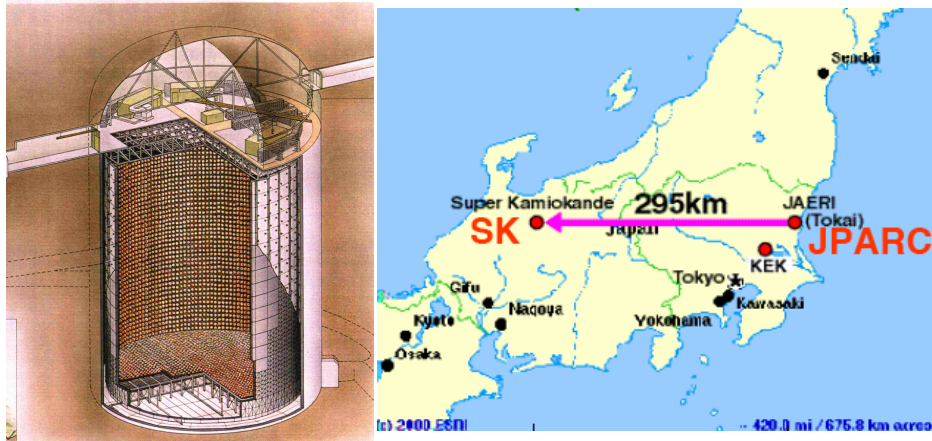
$$\theta = 2.5^\circ$$

- ★ Far lower **overall** flux x  $\sigma$ 
  - But higher where it matters
  - Much lower HE tail
  - ➡ less NC background





## ■ Tokai to Kamioka



### Far detector:

- Super-Kamiokande
- at 295 km
- 2.5 degrees off-axis

### “Beam Profiler”

- at 280 m
- **on-axis**
- Fe/Sci Tracker
- Measure beam

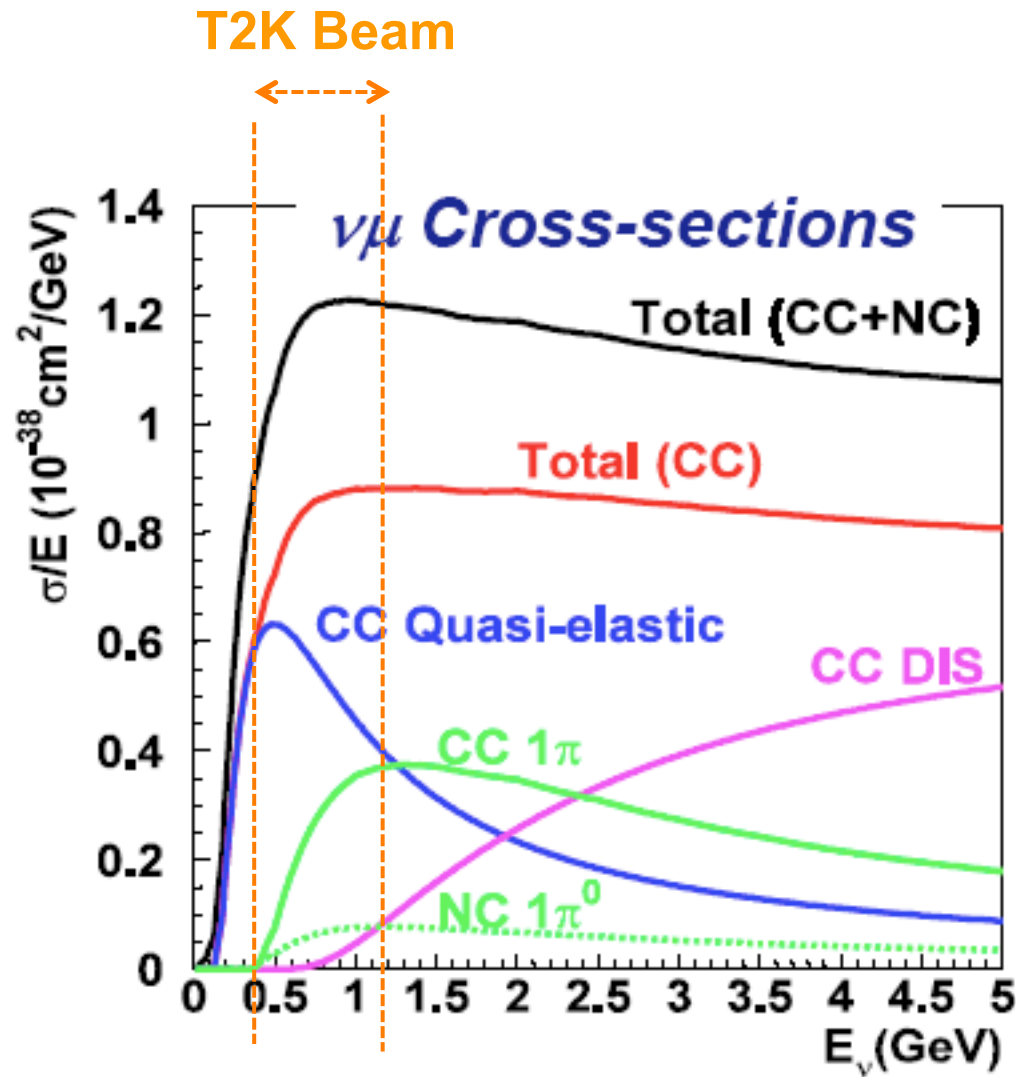
### Near detector:

- at 280 m
- off-axis
- Very different to FD
- Calorimeters + Trackers + TPC
- Inside UA1 magnet
- **P0D : Scintillator fibre to measure NC  $\pi^0$  content**

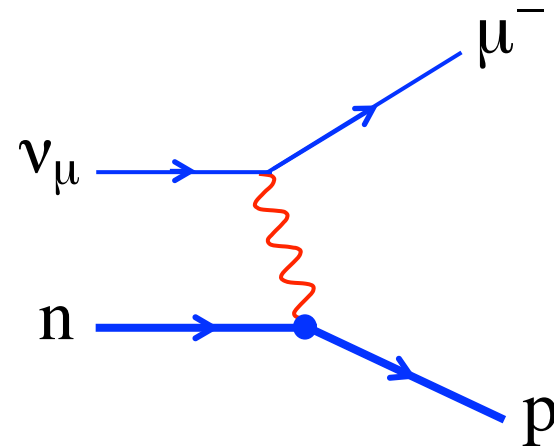
- First beam operations ~April 2009
- First physics beam run ~2010
- First results summer 2011



# Neutrino Cross Sections at T2K



★ Dominated by CC Quasi-Elastic interactions



★ QE cross section relatively well known  $\pm 7\%$

★ Narrow-band beam: most NC background from peak

- Single  $\pi^0$  NC cross-section is small!



# Predicting the FD Spectrum

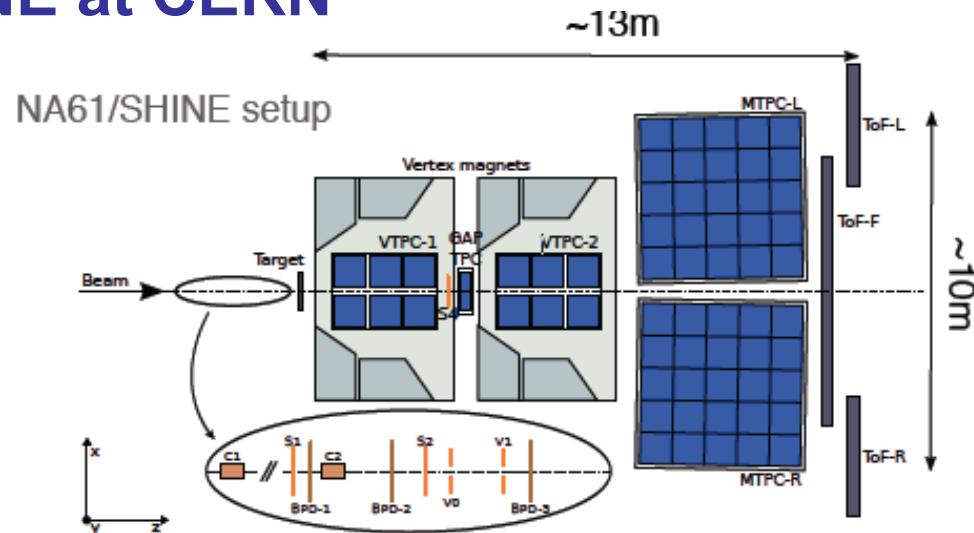


- ★ Scale FD MC predictions to ratio of selected QE CC events in **Data** and **MC**  $\nu_\mu$

$$N_{FD}^{exp} = N_{FD}^{MC} \times \frac{R_{ND}^{\mu,DATA}}{R_{ND}^{\mu,MC}}$$

- ★ Scale FD MC predictions to ratio of selected QE CC events in **Data** and **MC**

- ★ Flux predictions based on hadron production data, NA61/SHINE at CERN



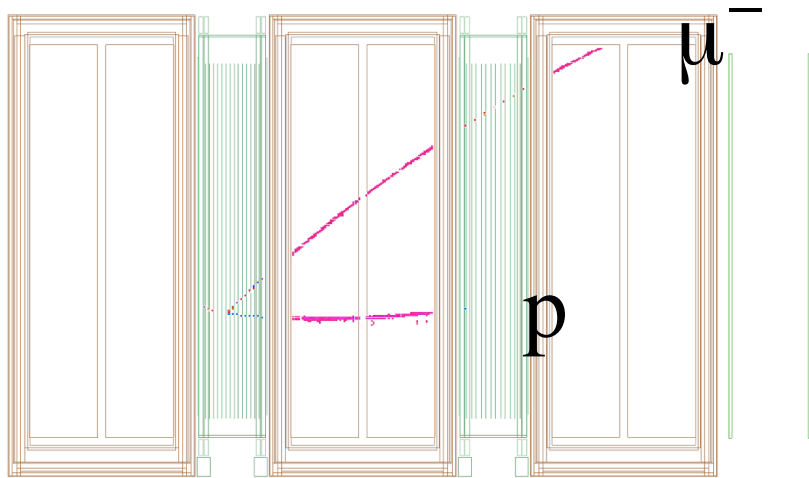




# Check predictions in ND

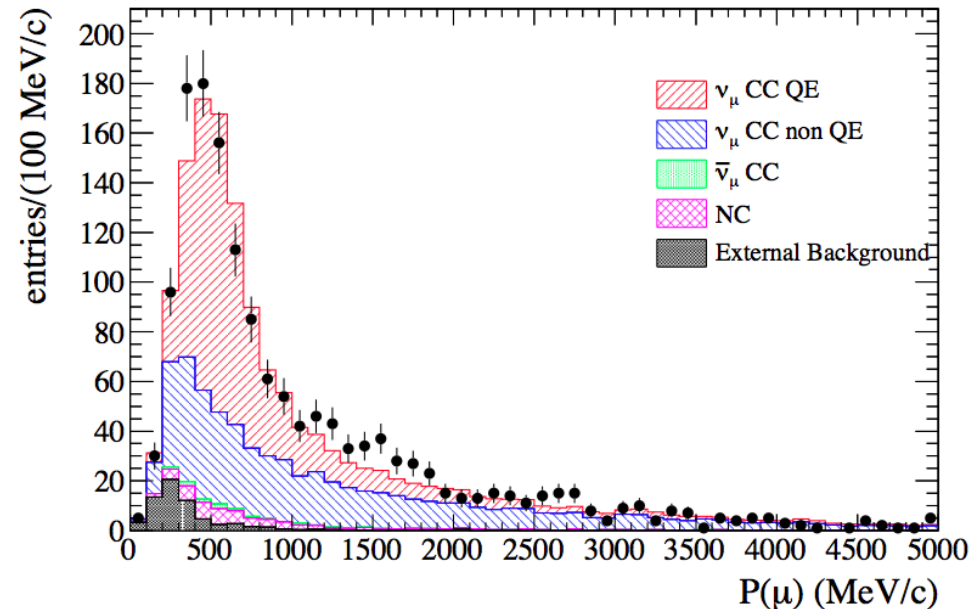


Event number : 24083 | Partition : 63 | Run number : 4200 | Spill : 0 | SubRun number : 6 | Time : Sun 2010-03-21 22:33:25 JST [Trigger: Beam Spill]



- ★ Select CCQE events in ND
- ★ Clean signal – can see both muon and proton

★ Data is consistent with prediction from hadron production



$$\frac{R_{ND}^{\mu,DATA}}{R_{ND}^{\mu,MC}} = 1.036 \pm 0.028 \text{ (stat.)}_{-0.037}^{+0.044} \text{ (det. syst.)} \pm 0.038 \text{ (phys. syst.)}$$





# Extrapolating to FD



- ★ In T2K, the near and far detectors are **very** different
- ★ Significant uncertainties in predicting FD expectations, requires a careful estimation

$$N_{FD}^{exp} = R_{ND}^{\mu, DATA} \times \frac{N_{FD}^{MC}}{R_{ND}^{\mu, MC}}$$

Error Source	Sys.
Beam Flux	±8.5 %
Cross sections	±14.0 %
Near Detector	±5.4 %
Far Detector	±14.7 %
ND Statistics	±2.7 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>±23 %</b>

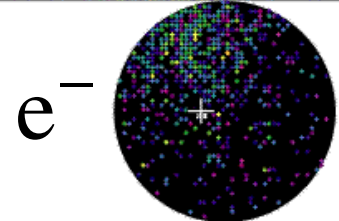
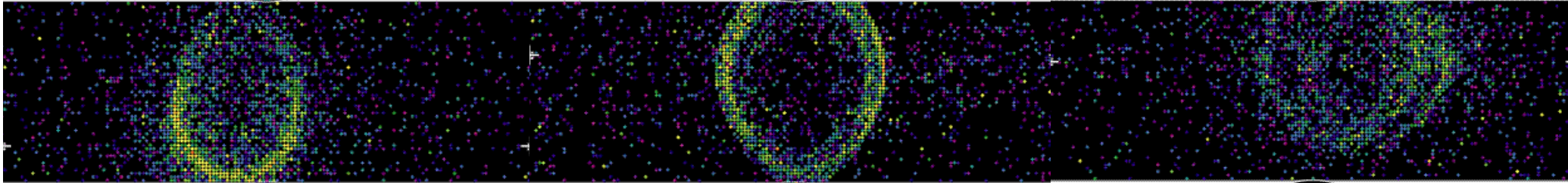
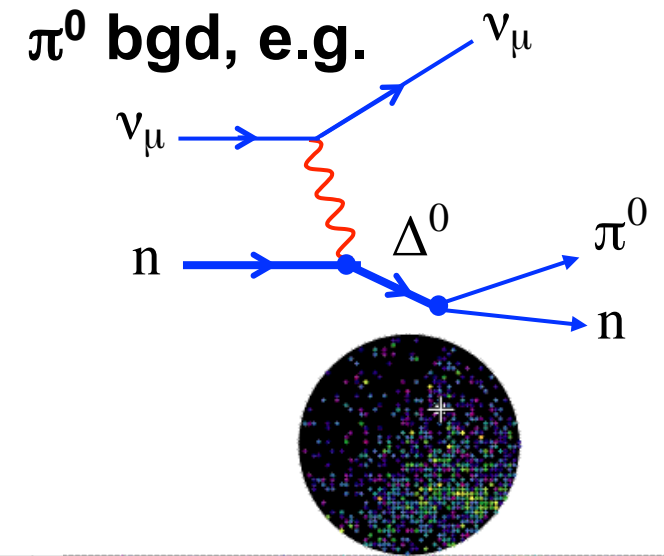
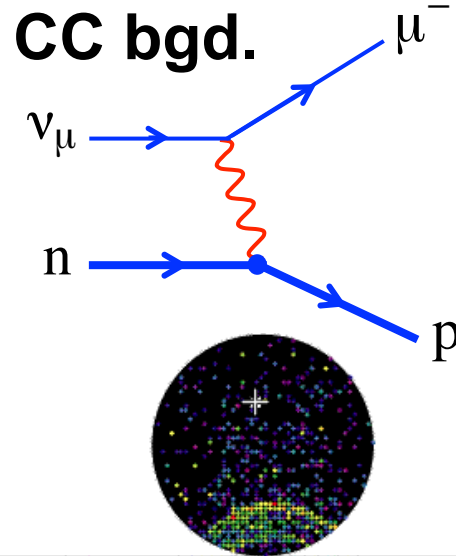
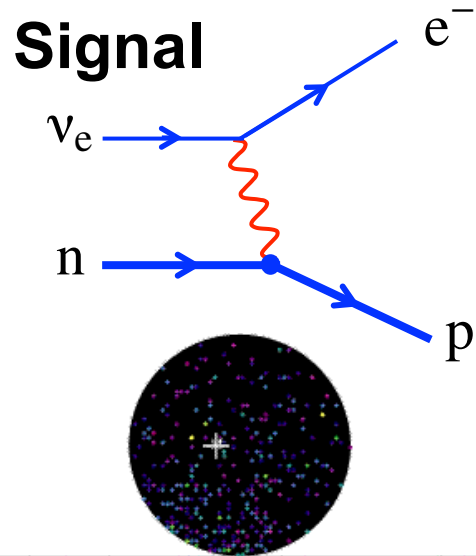
Background	Events
Beam $\nu_e$	<b>0.8</b>
NC	<b>0.6</b>
$\nu_e$ from $\Delta m^2_{12}$ term	<b>0.1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.5</b>

- ★ **Systematic error is relatively large**  
... but backgrounds are low

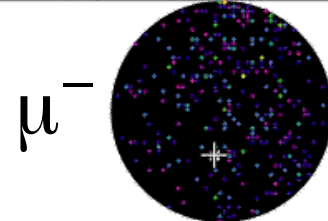
$$N_{FD}^{exp} = 1.5 \pm 0.3 \quad \text{for} \quad (\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0)$$



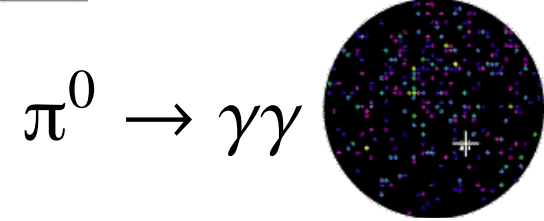
# Far Detector Events



**Fuzzy ring**



**Clean ring**



**Two rings**

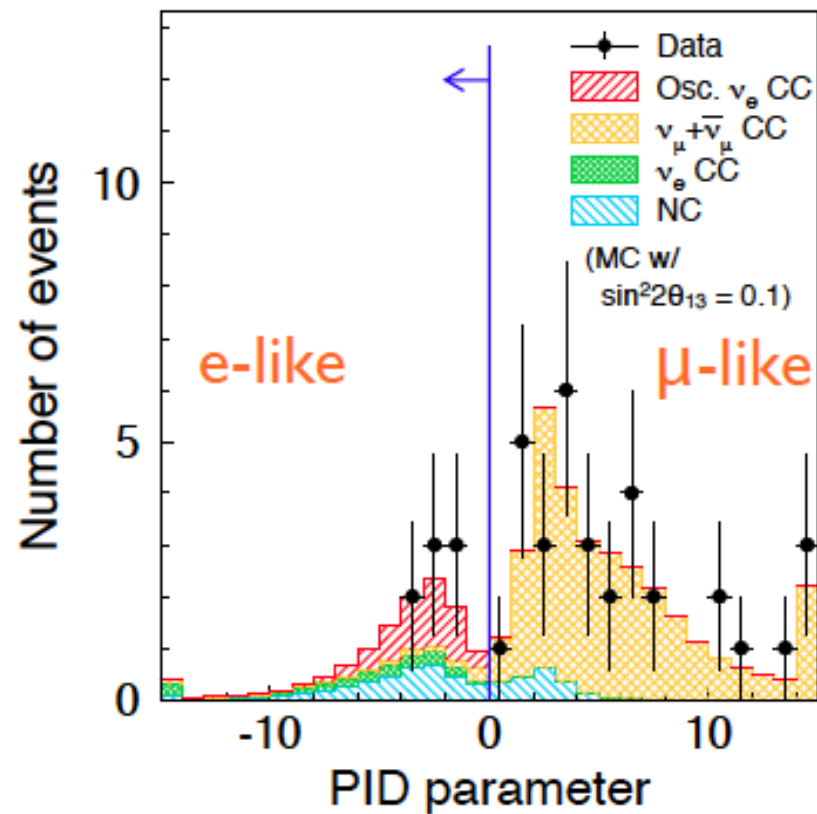
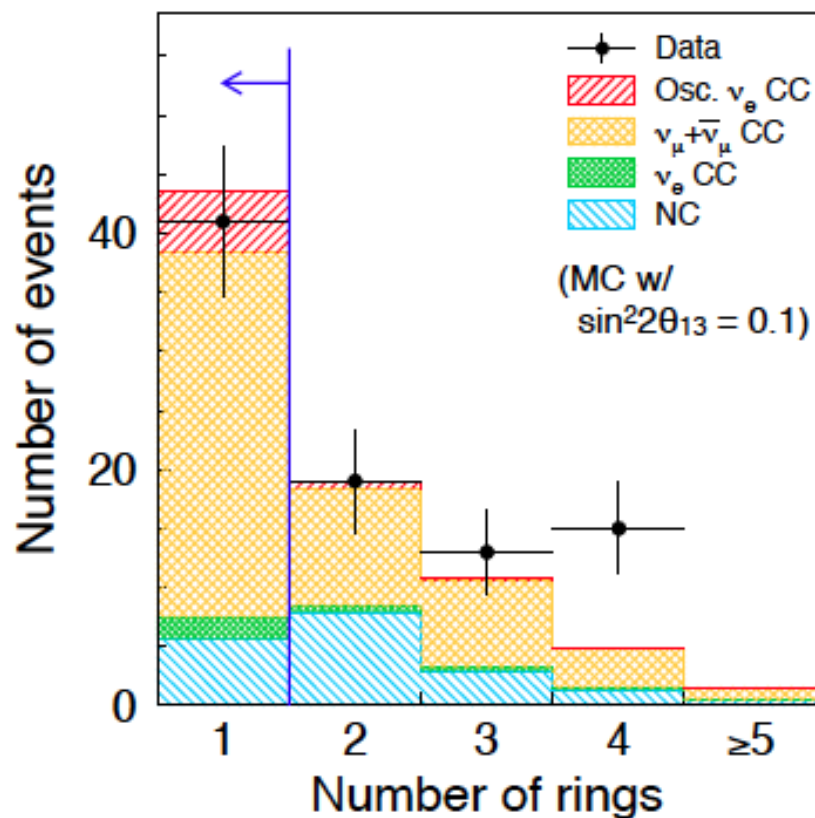
★ **Good background rejection – well understood detector**



# Far Detector Event Selection



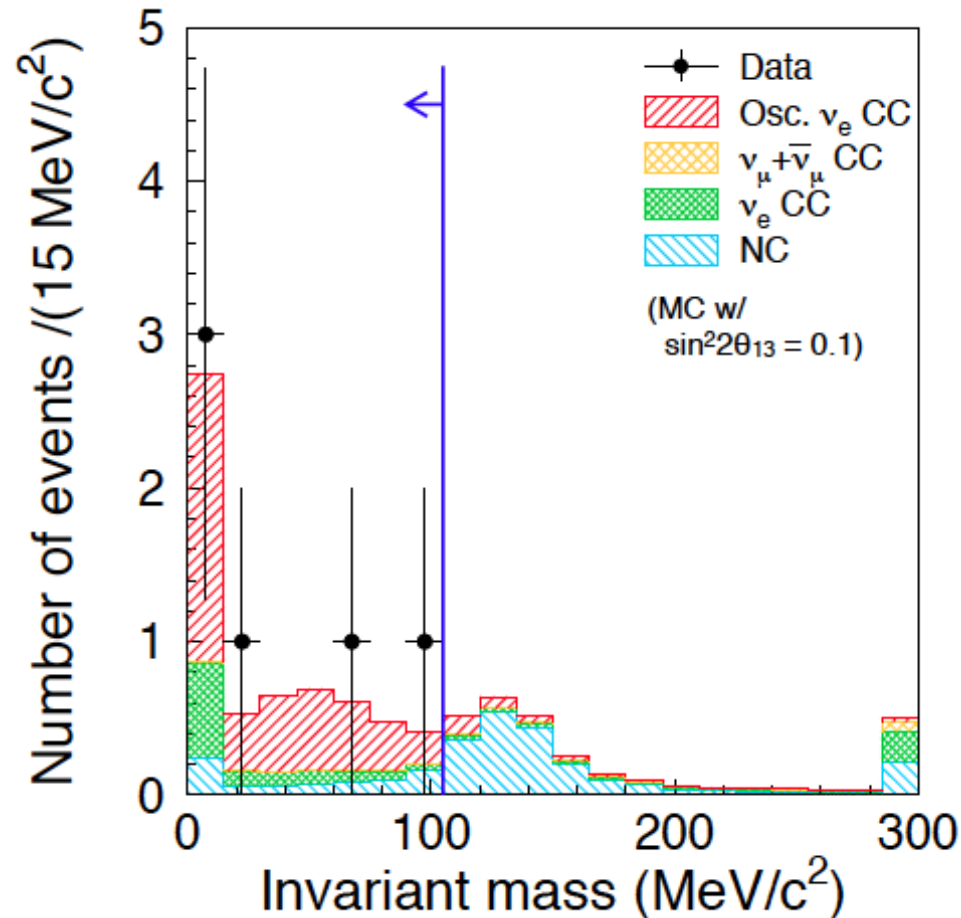
★ Require single ring e-like events



★ Loose cut on visible energy + no decay electrons



- ★ Reconstruct event using best two ring hypothesis
- ★ Require invariant mass to be less than  $m(\pi^0)$





# Final Energy Distribution



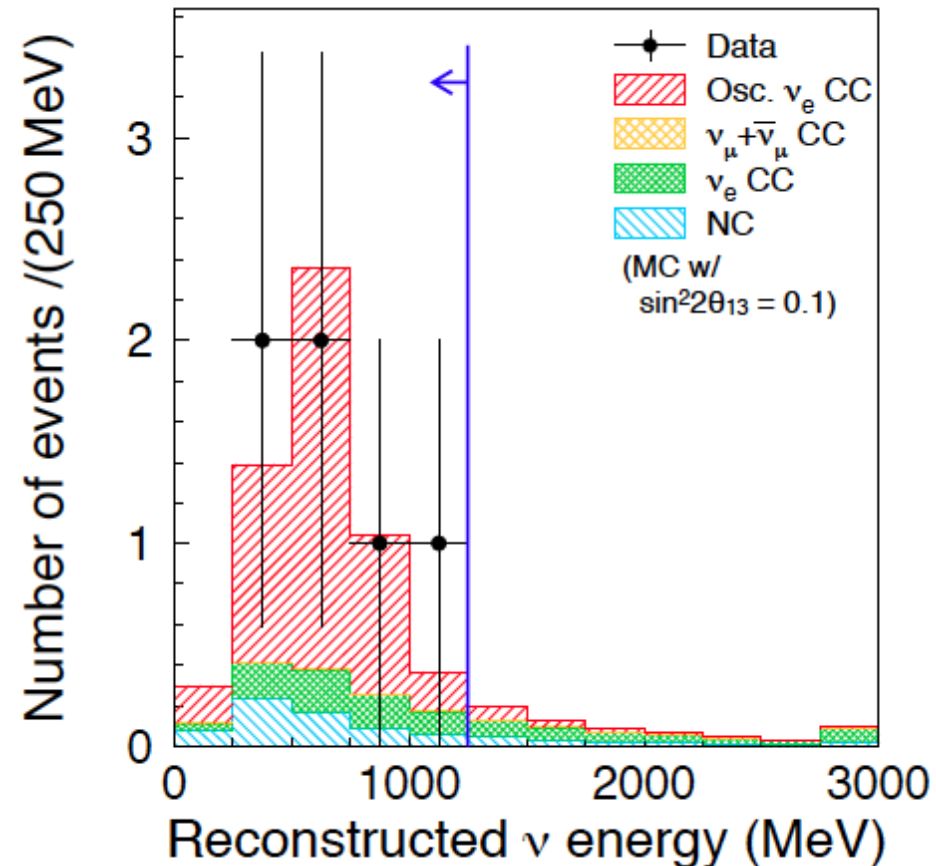
- ★ In SK proton is below Cherenkov threshold
- ★ Neutrino energy obtained assuming QE decay kinematics,  $W^2 = m_p^2$   
use energy and angle wrt beam

$$E_{\text{reco}} = \frac{m_n E_e - m_e^2/2 - (m_n^2 - m_p^2)/2}{m_n - E_e + p_e \cos \theta_e}$$

**Observe: 6 events**  
**Expect:  $1.5 \pm 0.3$**



**Prob: 0.007**  
**Sig.:  $2.5\sigma$**

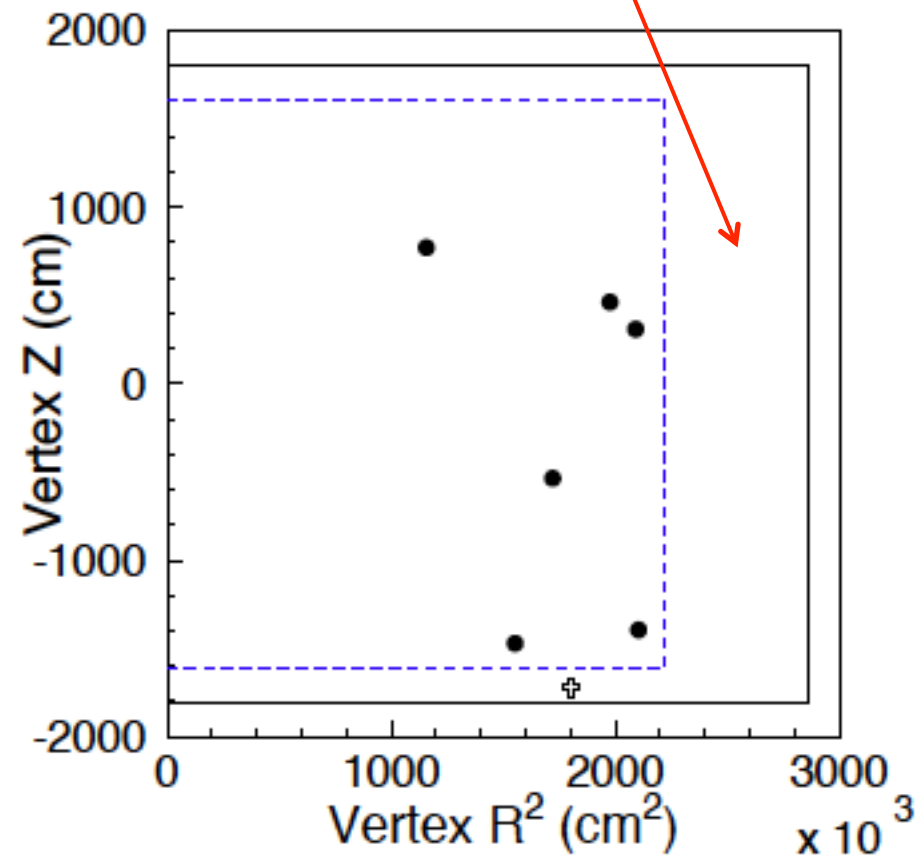
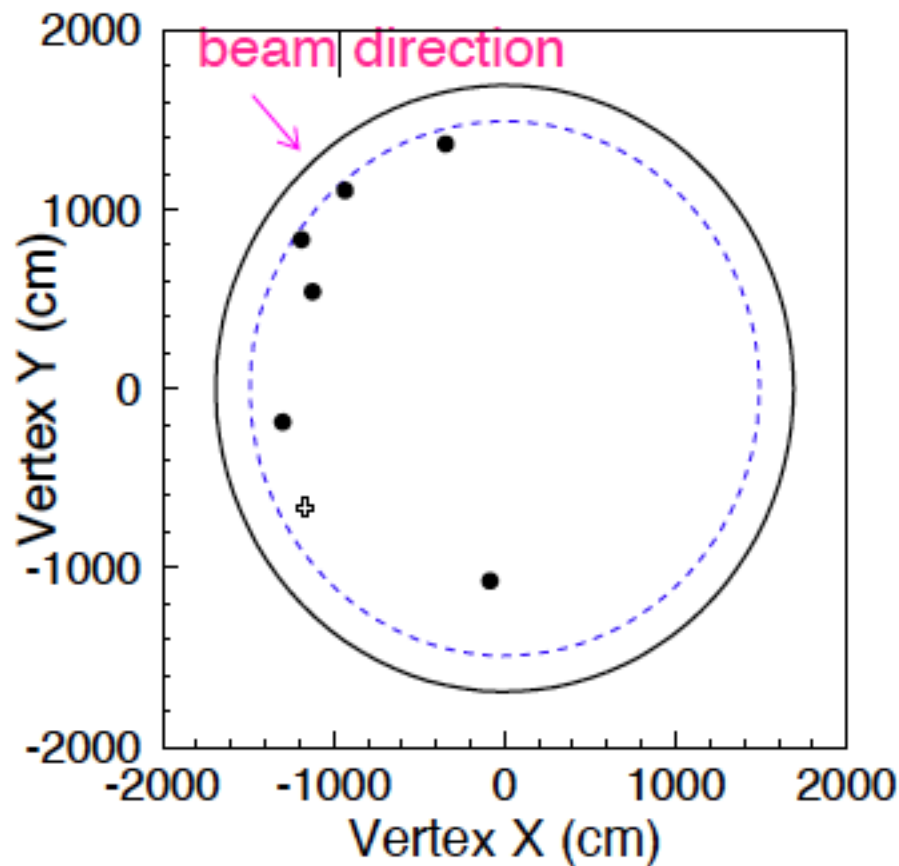




# The only “oddity”



- ★ Events clustered close to edge of detector
- ★ But no events selected outside fiducial region
- ★ Many checks – no indications of problem



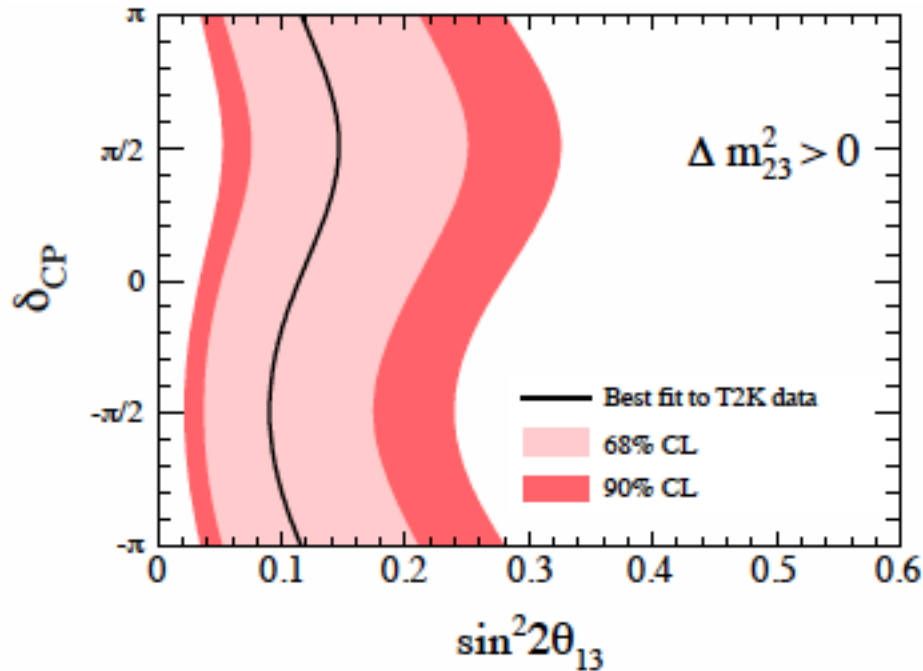


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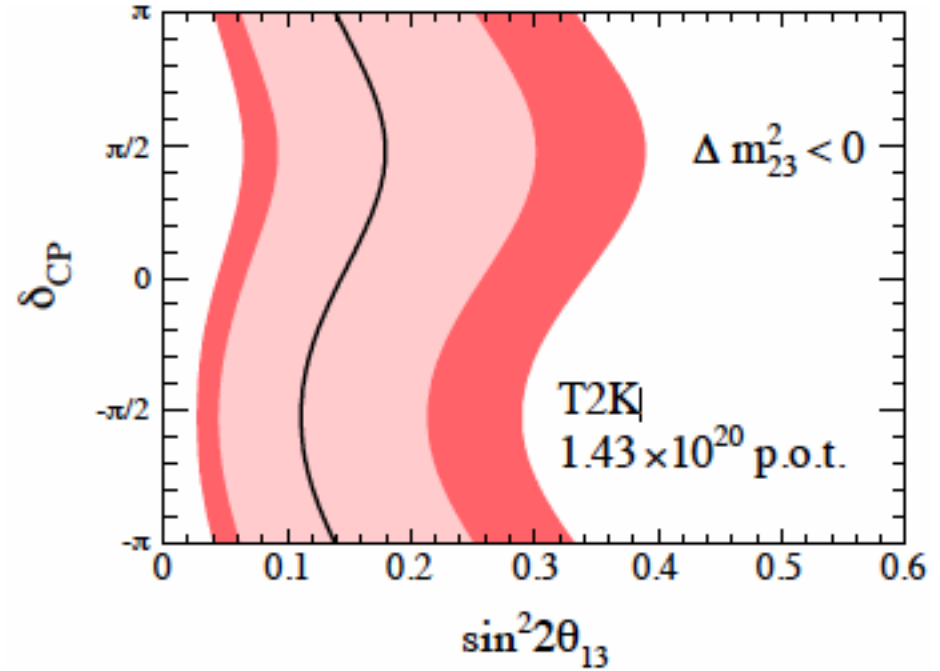


(assuming  $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1$ )

## Normal Hierarchy



## Inverted Hierarchy



at  
 $\delta = 0$

$$0.03 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.28$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.11$$

**90% C.L**  
**best fit**

$$0.04 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.34$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.14$$



# MINOS vs T2K



## ★ Interesting to compare analyses

	MINOS	T2K
Data/PoT	8.2E20	1.4E20
Efficiency	40 %	60 %
Background rej.	98 %	99 %
Background sys.	6 %	23 %
Expected back	49.5 ± 2.8	1.5 ± 0.3
Sig ( $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}=0.1$ )	19	5.5
S/N	0.38	3.7
Expected significance	2.5 $\sigma$	2.4 $\sigma$

My compilation made  
early this morning

- ★ T2K background very much lower : **off-axis**
- ★ MINOS systematics are much lower: **same ND and FD**
- ★ Similar sensitivity (although T2K has much less data)

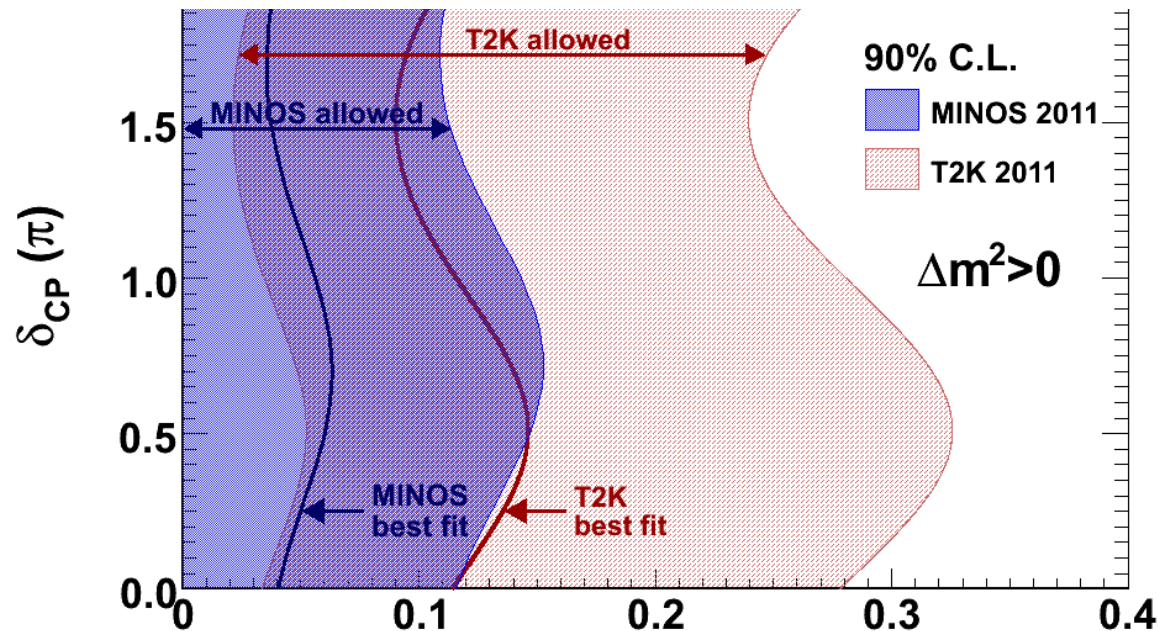




# MINOS and T2K consistency



- ★ Simple overlay of MINOS and T2K contours (normal hierarchy)



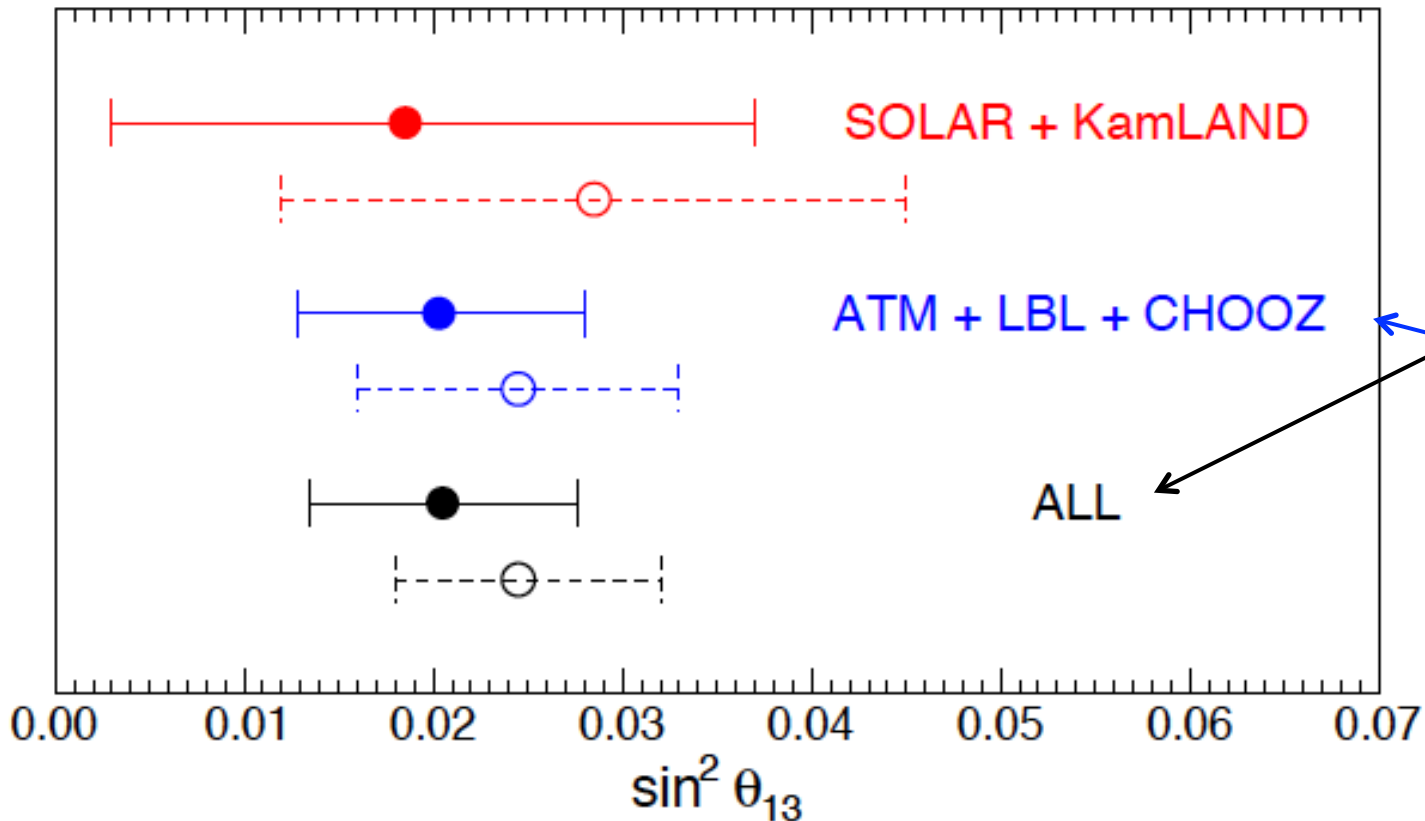
- ★ Some tension, but not inconsistent
- ★ By “eye” combined best fit value  $\sim 0.08$



# Global analysis



Fogli, et al., arXiv:1106.6028



Dominated by  
 MINOS and T2K

- ★ **Global: 3 standard deviation** evidence for non-zero  $\theta_{13}$
- ★ **Best fit  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sim 0.08$**
- ★ **Indications of large value ! But early days...**
- ★ **If true, good news for future of field... CP... mass hierarchy...**



# 9 Conclusions



## In these lectures discussed:

- ★ Neutrino beams in general
  - **on-axis** and **off-axis**
- ★ General principles of Long Baseline experiments
  - examples: MINOS & T2K
- ★ Three example analysis in some detail
  - $\nu_\mu$  disappearance
  - $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  in a wide band beam
  - $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  in a narrow band beam
- ★ Possible first observation of  $\theta_{13} \neq 0$
- ★ Many topics not covered, CNGS, NO $\nu$ A, Mini-boone, ...
  - sorry just not sufficient time
- ★ Hopefully, have given a reasonable overview of main ideas

**Very exciting future: T2K, NO $\nu$ A, LBNE, T2K upgrade, ...**



**Thank you**