

# ENUBET



## fasci di neutrino monitorati al CERN

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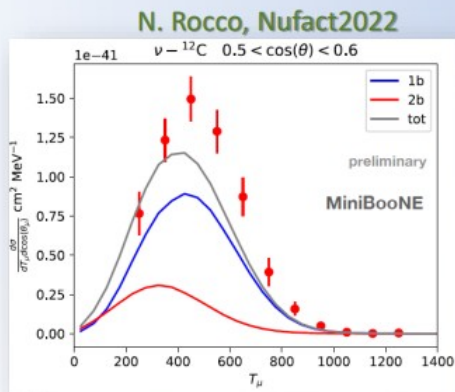
EU strategy document (19 June 2020):

**“To extract the most physics from DUNE and Hyper-Kamiokande, a complementary programme of experimentation to determine neutrino cross sections and fluxes is required. Several experiments aimed at determining neutrino fluxes exist worldwide. The possible implementation and impact of a facility to measure neutrino cross-sections at the percent level should continue to be studied”.**

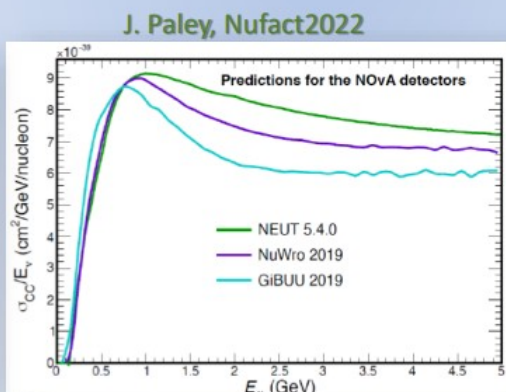
## The rationale of ENUBET

The knowledge of neutrino cross-section is stuck at 10-30 % level and the needs of the neutrino community are at 1% level because:

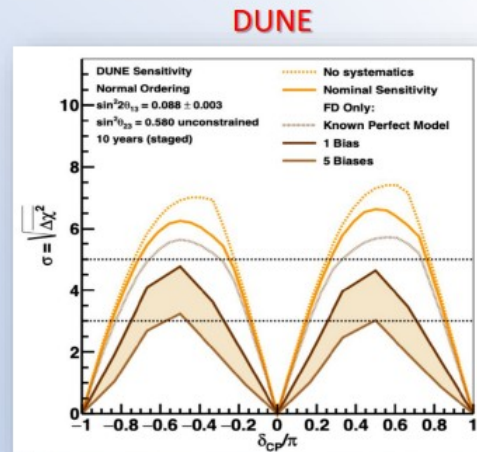
- Leading systematics for long-baseline experiments → Neutrino Oscillation Physics
- Limited possibility to validate nuclear electroweak effects (“nucleus and nuclear correction”) → Electroweak physics
- Neutrino generators based on different approaches still provide results with >50% discrepancies → Nuclear Physics



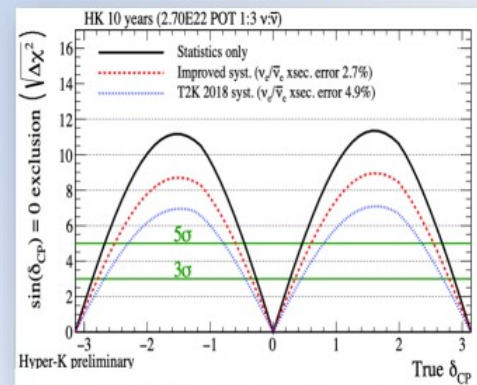
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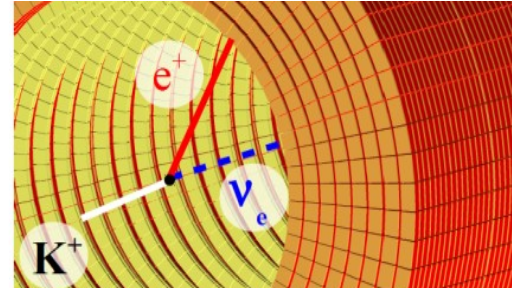


## HyperKamiokande



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# NP06/ENUBET development



- A dedicated short baseline neutrino beam with a 1% precision in  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  fluxes aimed to a refined near detector
- Reduce the dominant systematics on flux  $\rightarrow$  precise cross section measurements  $\rightarrow$  consolidate the long-baseline program with high quality experimental inputs

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ERC project 6/2016- 12/2022

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Enhanced **NeU**trino **BE**ams from kaon  
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- CERN Neutrino Platform:  
NP06/ENUBET

- Physics Beyond Colliders 

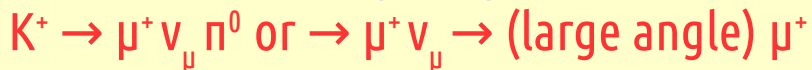
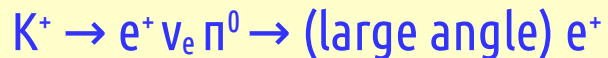
Present collaboration: 74 auth, 17 institutions



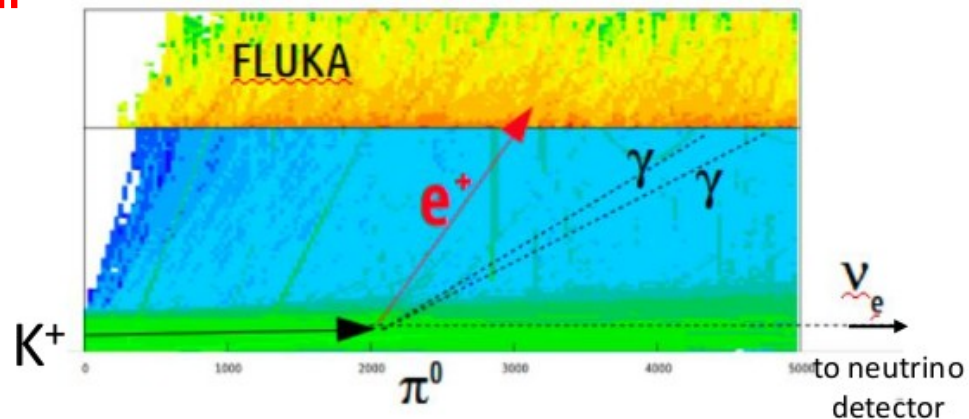
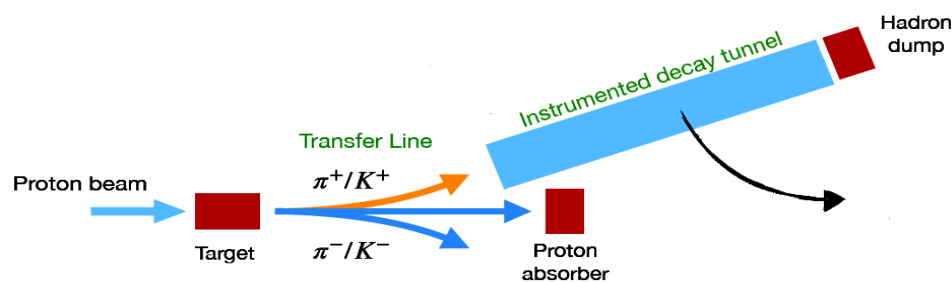
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... the first “monitored neutrino beam”:

production of neutrino-associated leptons monitored at single particle level in an instrumented decay region



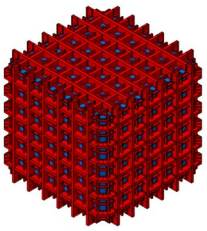
- $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  flux prediction from  $e^+/\mu^+$  rates



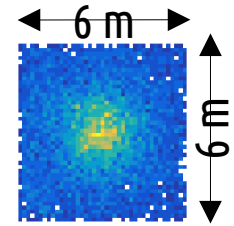
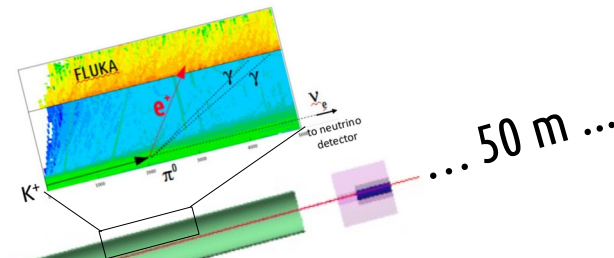
- Needs a **collimated mom-selected hadron beam** → **only the decay products hit the tagger**  
→ manageable rates and irradiation in the detectors
- Needs a “short” decay region : ~all  $\nu_e$  from K, only ~1%  $\nu_e$  from  $\mu$  (large flight length)

NB: it requires a **specialized beam**, not a “pluggable” technology for existing super-beams (unfortunately!)

# The ENUBET beamline design



The name of the game: **collimation and reduction of backgrounds from stray beam particles** (“only decay products in the tagger”)



p 400 GeV



- Focuses **8.5 GeV +/- 10%** mesons ( $\nu$  spectrum ROI ~ DUNE)
  - Length: **26 m**
  - Tagger length: 40 m
  - Neutrino detector (500 t) 50 m after the hadron dump
  - **14.8° bending angle**
- documented in **EPJ-C 83, 964, 2023**

## Design and performance of the ENUBET monitored neutrino beam

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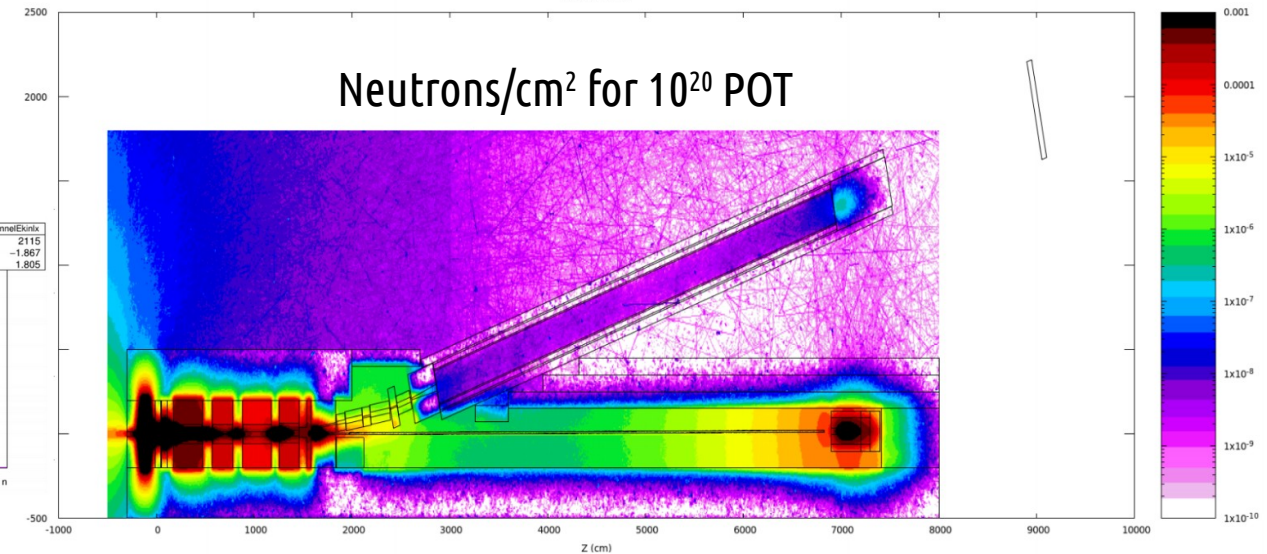
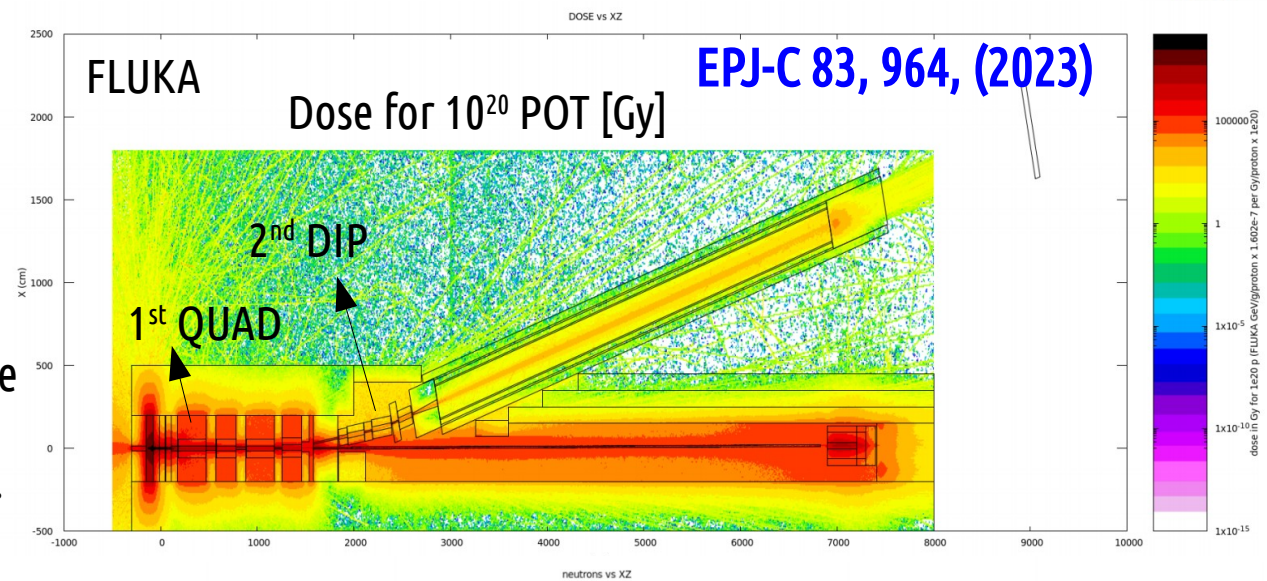
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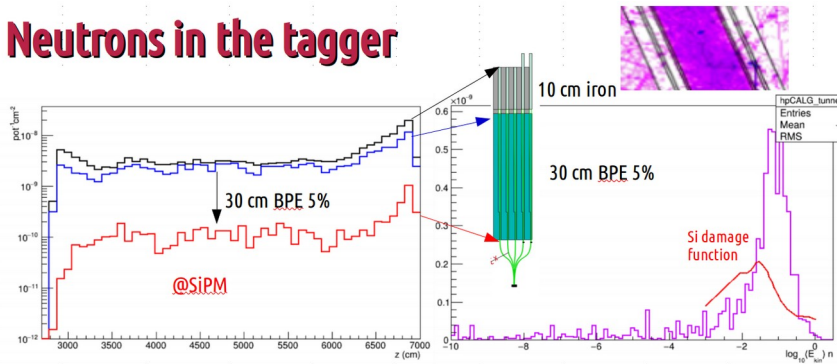
# Irradiation levels

Dose is sustainable by magnets even in the hottest regions ( $<300 \text{ kGy}/10^{20} \text{ pot}$ ).

Neutrons simulations guided the design of the instrumentation  $\rightarrow$  30 cm of Borated PE (5%) added to protect the Silicon Photomultipliers. Good lifetime ( $7e9 \text{ n}/\text{cm}^2/10^{20} \text{ pot}$ ). Accessible eventually.



## Neutrons in the tagger



# Particle budget and rates

Entering the tagger:

$$4.6 \times 10^{-3} \pi^+/\text{pot}$$

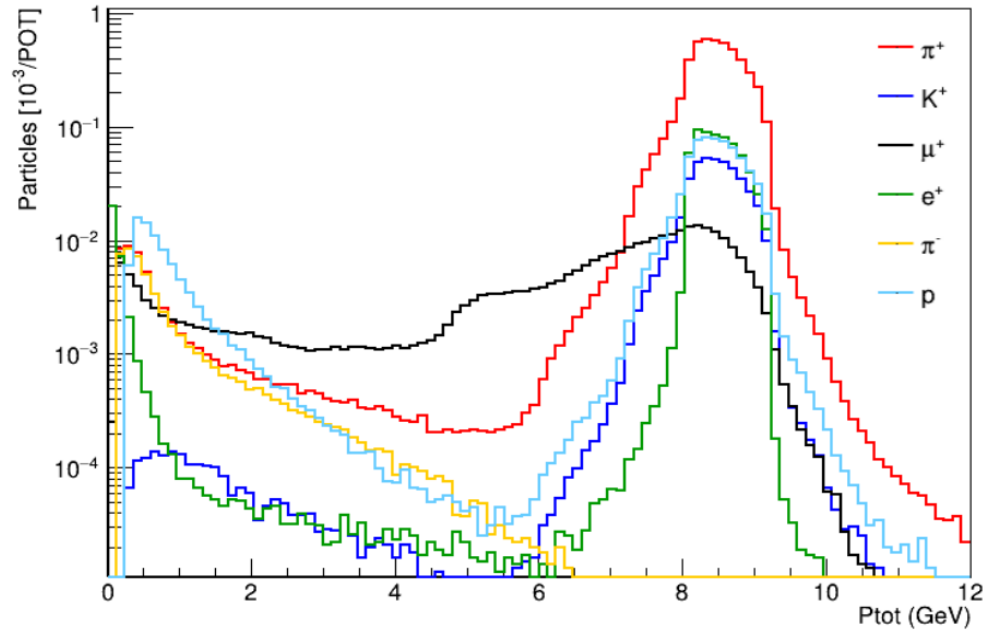
$$0.4 \times 10^{-3} K^+/\text{pot}$$

The hottest regions of the tagger see  $\sim 500 \text{ kHz/cm}^2$  with  $2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ pot}/2.4 \text{ s}$  (slow extraction)

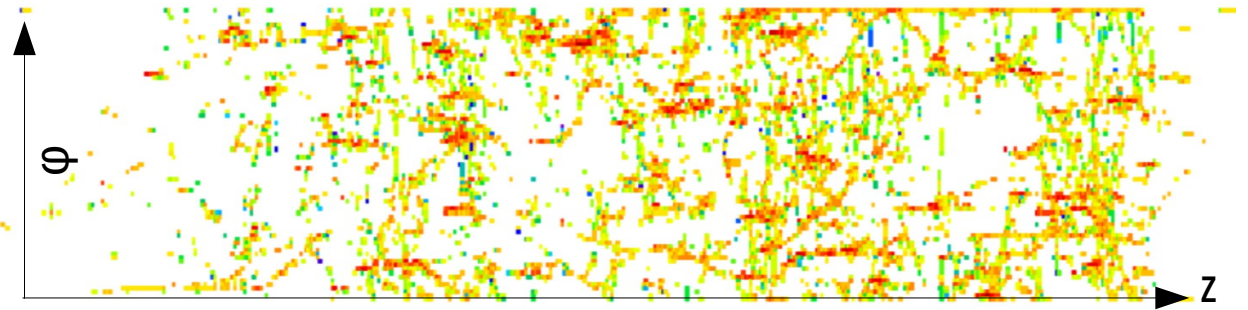
Pile-up mostly non critical but has to be treated.

→ the detector has to be fast enough, radiation hard, cost-effective (large area)

Particles at Tunnel Entrance



Hit map for  $e^+$  in a few ns





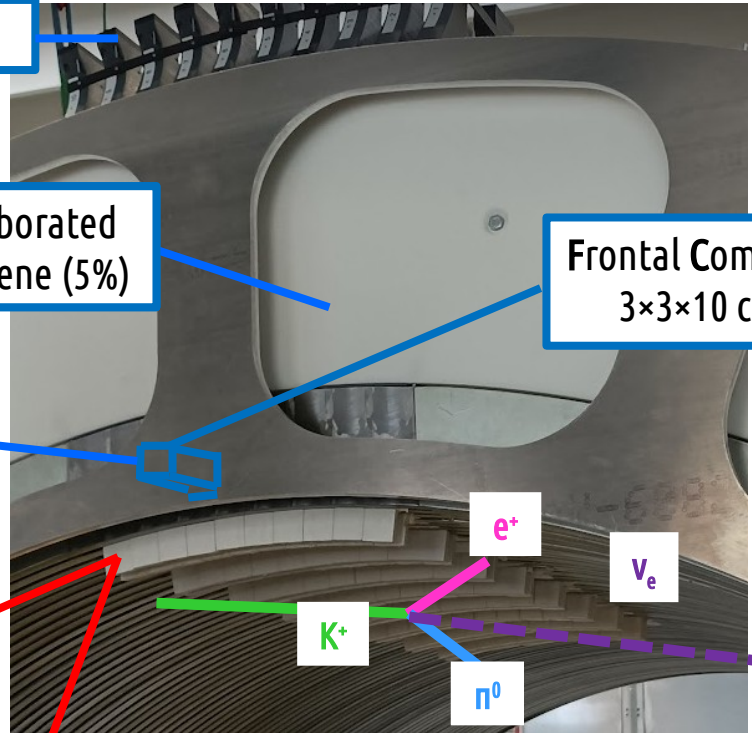
# The lepton tagger

Light r/o (SiPM)

**Calorimeter**  
 Longitudinal segmentation  
 Plastic scintillator + Iron absorbers  
 Integrated light readout with SiPM  
 →  $e^+/n^{\pm}/\mu$  separation

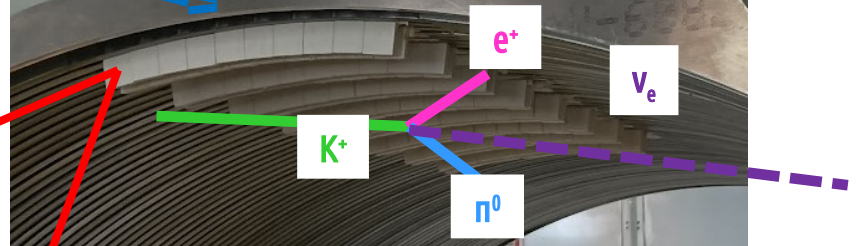
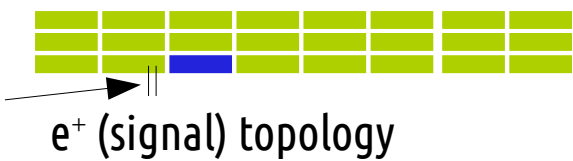
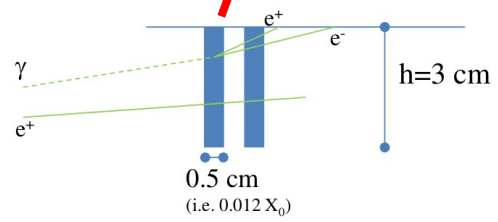
30 cm of borated polyethylene (5%)

Frontal Compact Module  
 $3 \times 3 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3 - 4.3 X_0$



**Integrated photon veto**  
 Plastic scintillators rings of  $3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2$  pads  
 →  $n^0$  rejection

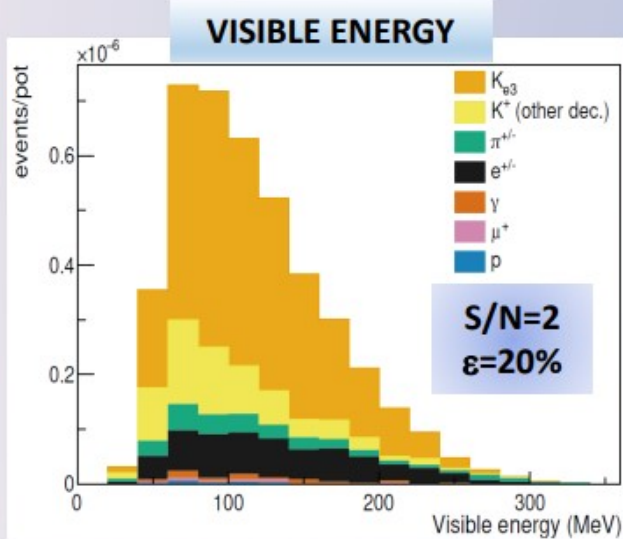
photon veto doublets



# Lepton event by event reconstruction

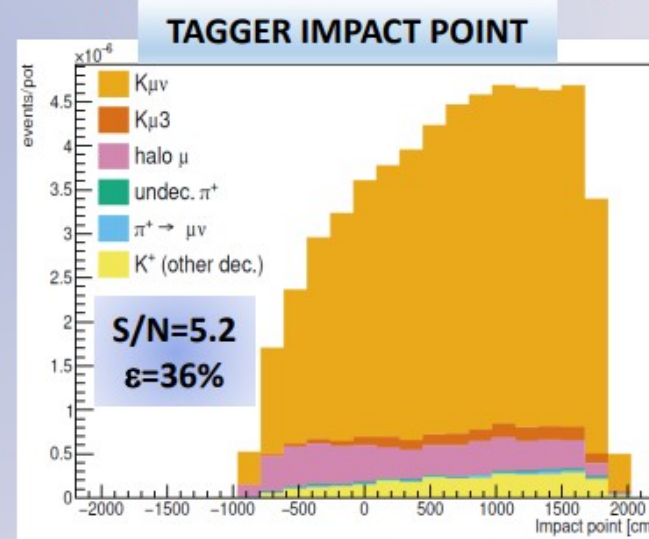
GEANT4 simulation. Event building: clustering of cells in space and time (accounting for **pile-up**) → PID with a Multilayer Perceptron

$K_{e3}$  positrons → constrain  $\nu_e$



Efficiency ~half geometrical

$K_{\mu 2}$  muons → constrain  $\nu_\mu$



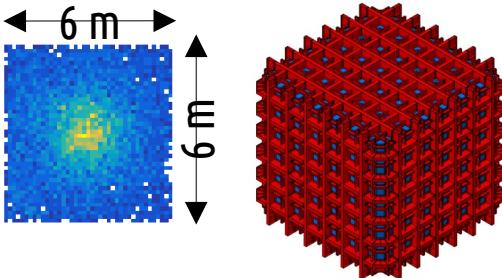
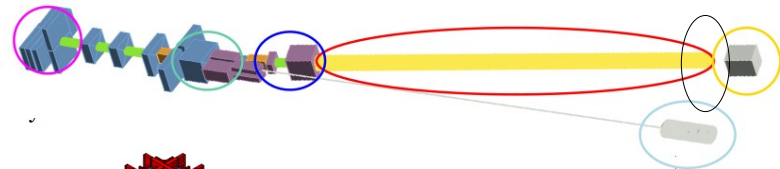
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# $\nu_{\mu/e}$ CC spectra at detector

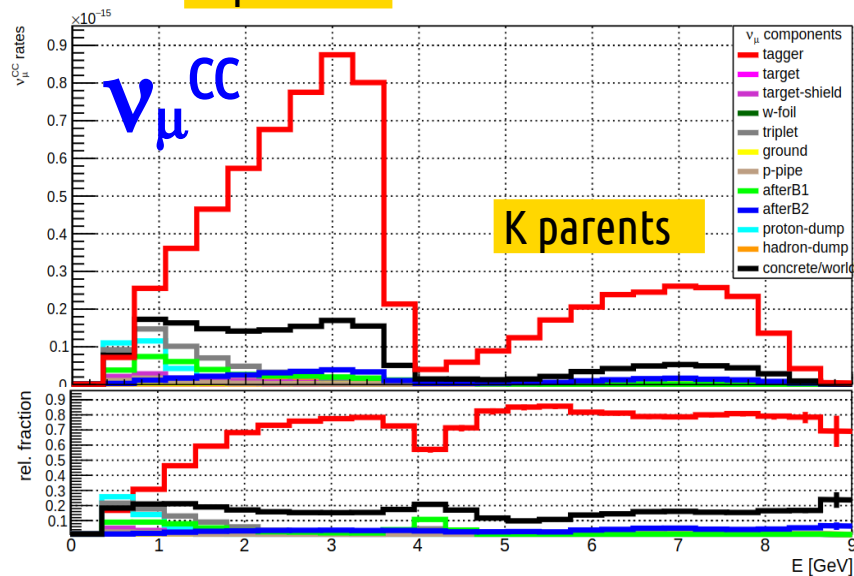
500t @ 50 m after the hadron dump  
 @ 400 GeV  $\rightarrow$   $0.7 \text{ M} \nu_{\mu}^{\text{CC}}$  with  $1e20$  POT

$\rightarrow$   $10000 \nu_e^{\text{CC}}$  with  $\sim 1e20$  POT

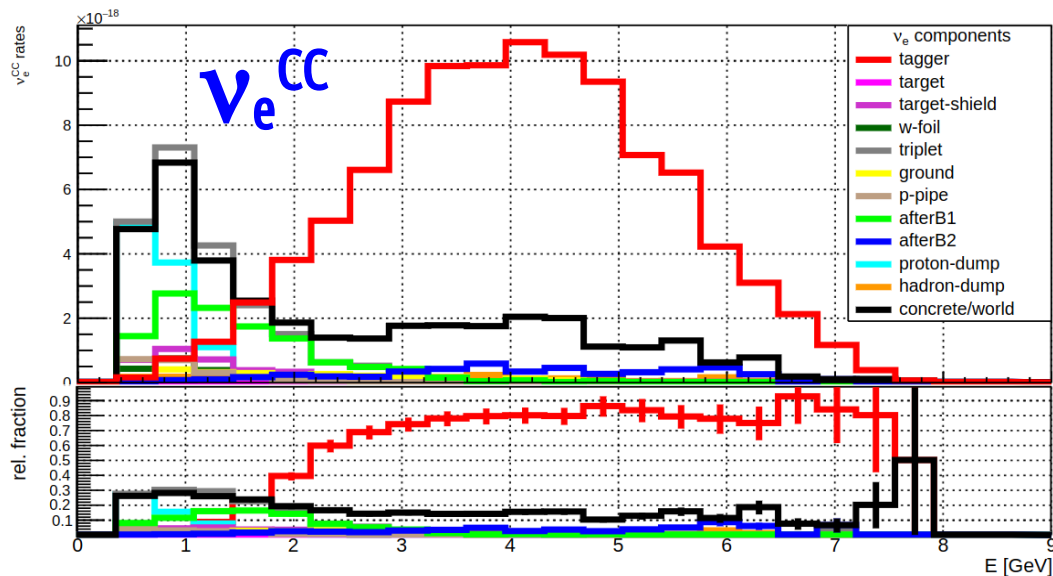


The protoDUNE(s) could be such a detector (an evident asset for a possible siting at CERN)

$\pi$  parents

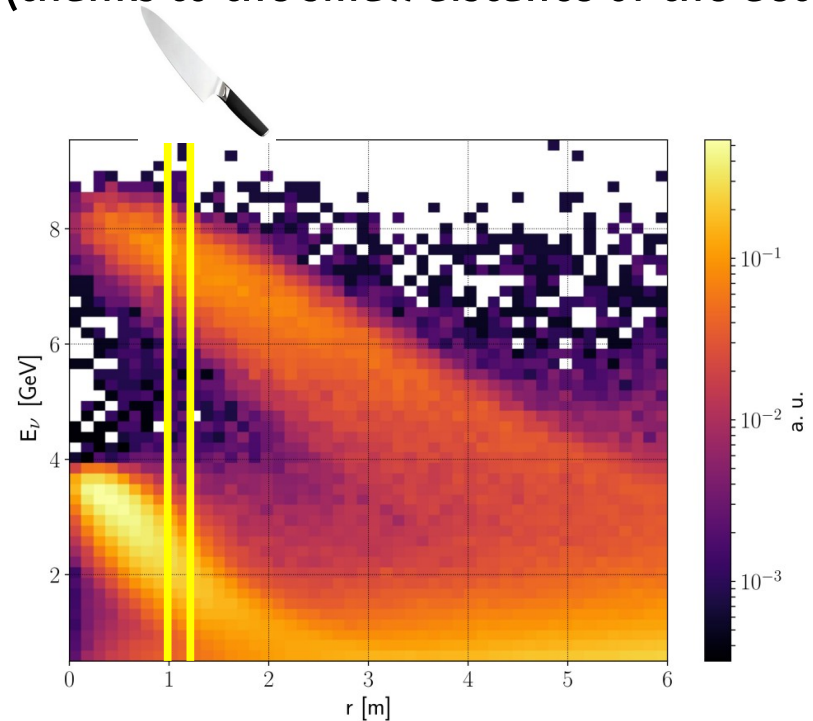
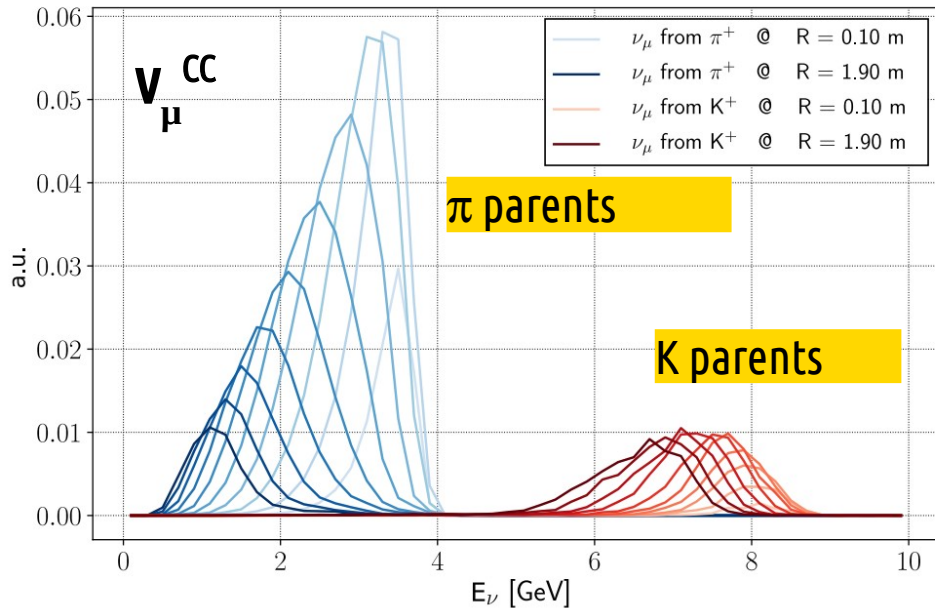


$\nu_e^{\text{CC}}$



# $\nu_\mu$ fluxes decomposition: NBOA (~PRISM)

“Narrow-band off-axis technique” (NBOA): bins in the radial distance from the center of the beam → **single-out well separated neutrino energy spectra** → strong prior for **energy unfolding**, independent from the reconstruction of interaction products in the neutrino detector. “Easy” rec. variable. A kind of “off-axis” but without having to move the detector (thanks to the small distance of the detector) !

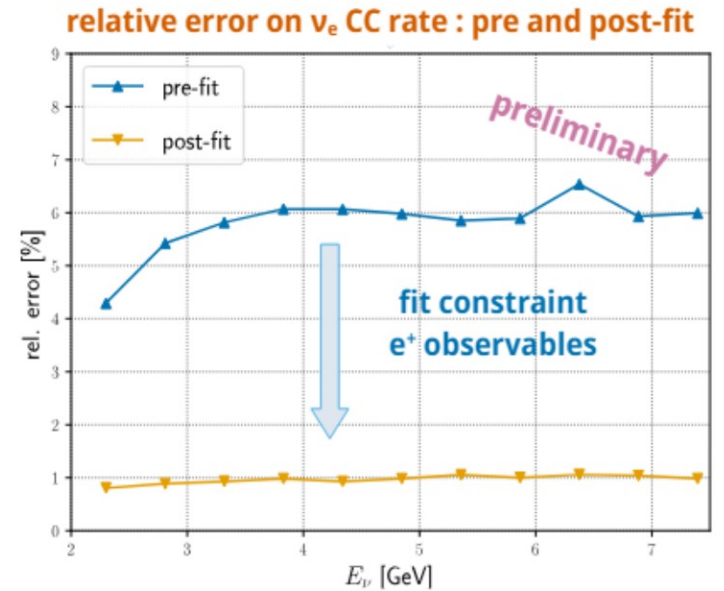
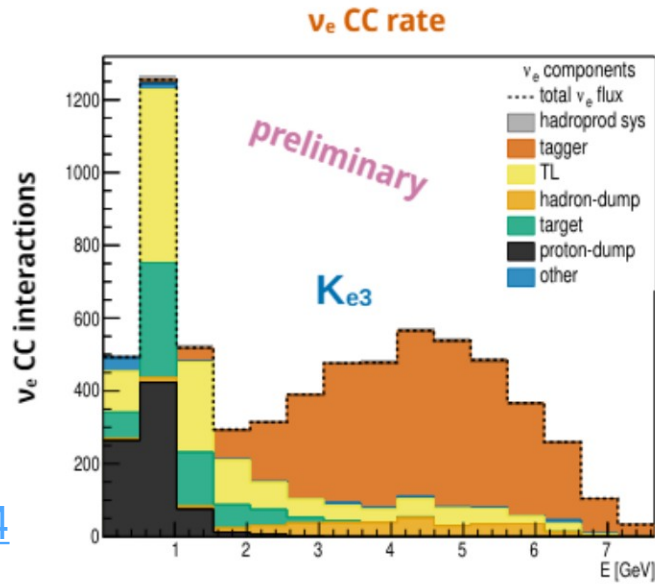


# Precision on the neutrino flux

- considered the dominant sys. (hadroproduction) extracted from hadroproduction experiments at the SPS (NA56/SPY), which gives a 6% uncertainty on flux
- added as an additional prior the rate, position and energy distributions of positrons from K decay reconstructed in the tagger

Flux uncertainty for  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  drops from 6% to 1% using positrons only. Further improvements expected by adding the reco. muons

[F. Bramati poster at Neutrino2024](#)



In progress: add detector effects, magnet currents, beam component, material budget uncertainty, and exploit the additional constraints from reconstructed muons (paper in preparation)

# t-tagging for interacting $\nu$

The goal of ENUBET (monitored beam): get a sample of associated leptons to constrain the flux. To do this an event-by-event information is needed. Timing has to be “just” good enough to limit the pileup (not too aggressive).

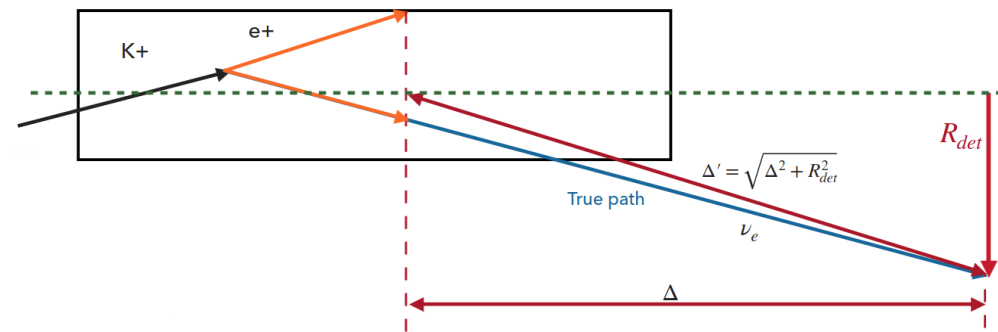
→ Time correlation btw  $K_{e3}$   $e^+$  and  $\nu_e$  candidates with the full simulation (reconstruction, backgrounds) →

Difference in path between the  $e^+$  and  $\nu_e$  (decay vertex position is unconstrained → we assume  $e^+$  and  $\nu_e$  to be collinear) → “irreducible” time spread:  $\sigma_{\Delta t} = 74 \text{ ps}^*$

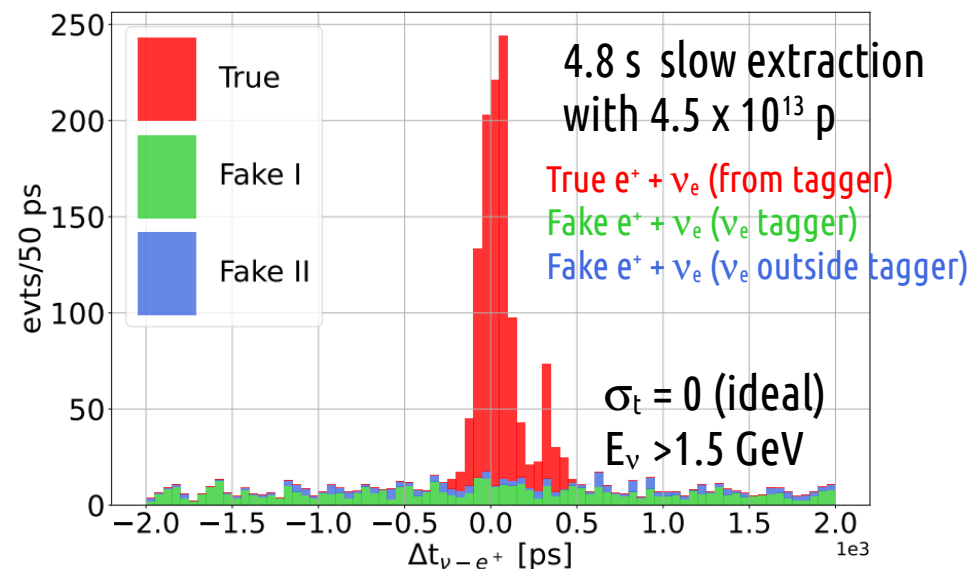
(\* ) already corrected for the position of the neutrino vertex

(\*\* ) could improve decreasing the tagger radius

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$$\Delta t = t(\nu_e) - [t(e^+) + \Delta'/c]$$

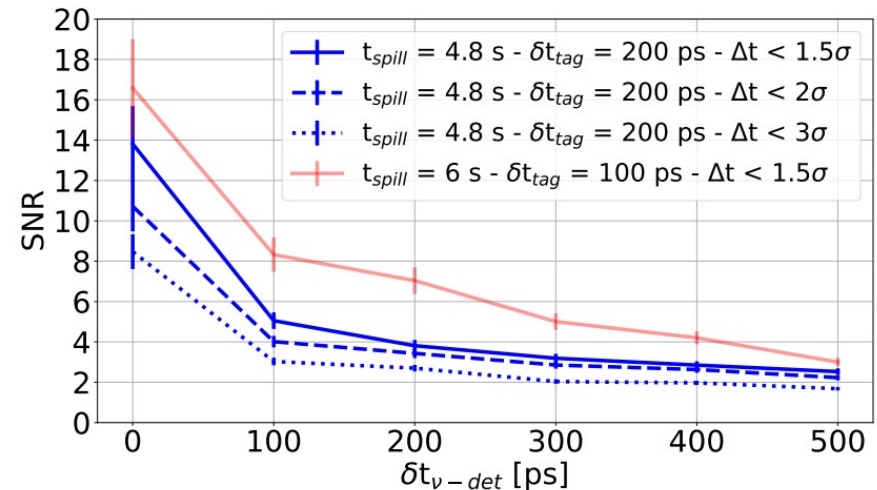
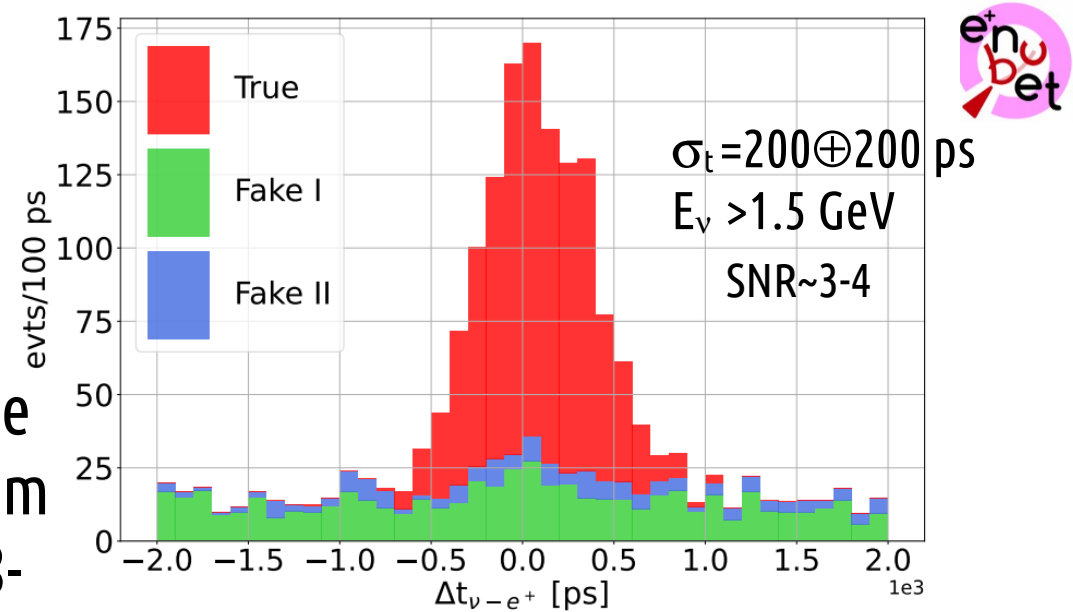


# ENUBET & time-tagging

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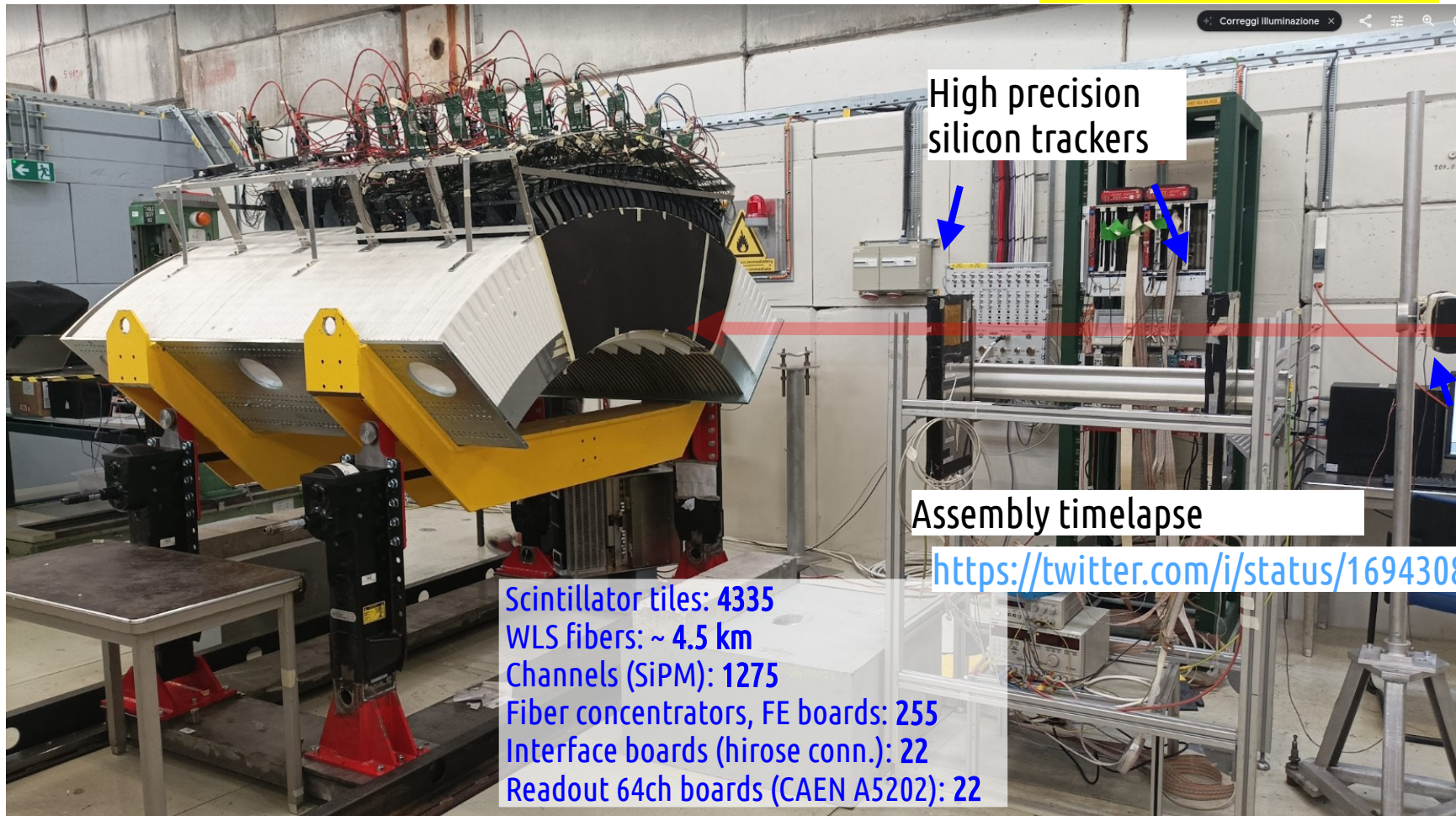
By applying a cut on the  $\Delta t$  between the  $\nu_e$  and  $e^+$  candidates the SNR passes from  $\sim 2$  (for the inclusive  $e^+$  sample) up to  $\sim 8-10$  for neutrino-associated  $e^+$

Precise value depends on  $\sigma_t$  of tagger and neutrino detector and the slow extraction spill duration



# The demonstrator

10/22 + 08/23 + 08/24 @  
CERN-PS-T9



High precision  
silicon trackers

$e, \pi, \mu$  (0.5-15 GeV)

Trigger scint.

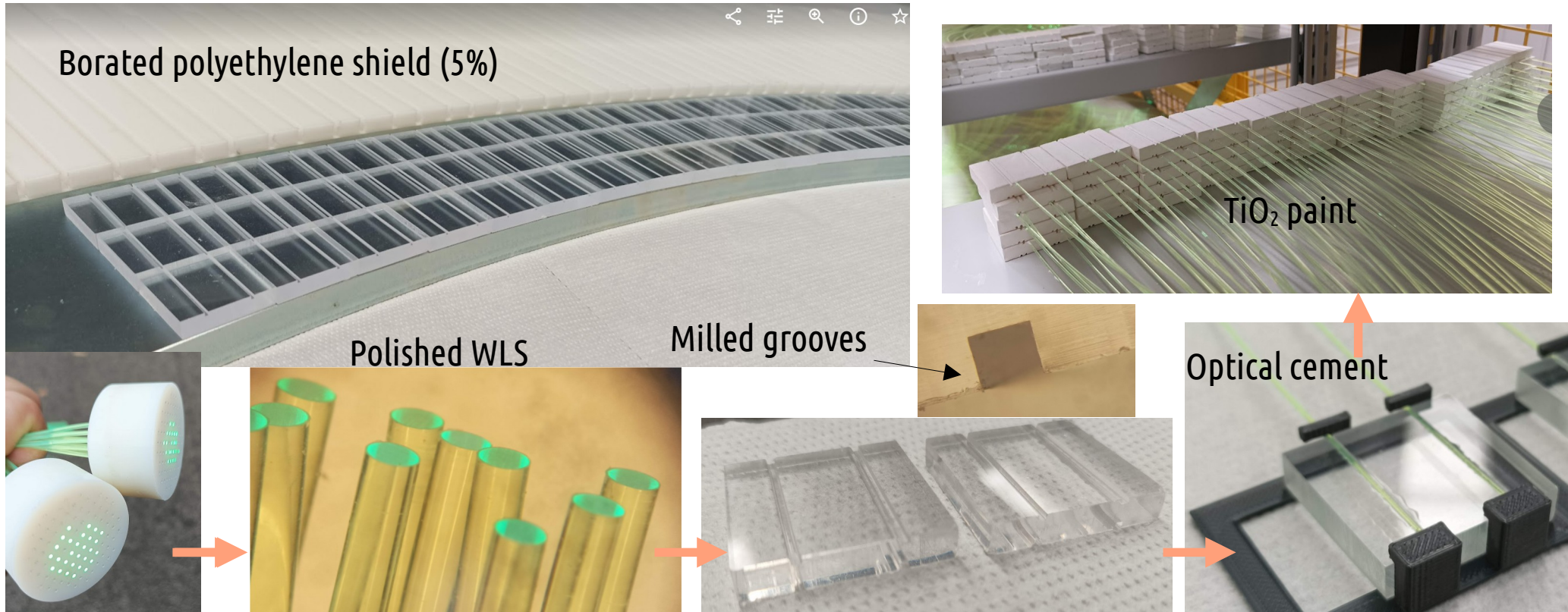
Assembly timelapse

<https://twitter.com/i/status/1694308753514889350>

Scintillator tiles: 4335  
WLS fibers: ~ 4.5 km  
Channels (SiPM): 1275  
Fiber concentrators, FE boards: 255  
Interface boards (hirose conn.): 22  
Readout 64ch boards (CAEN A5202): 22

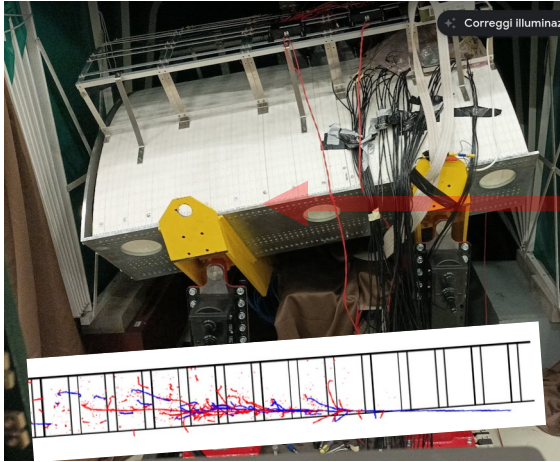


# The demonstrator detector technology

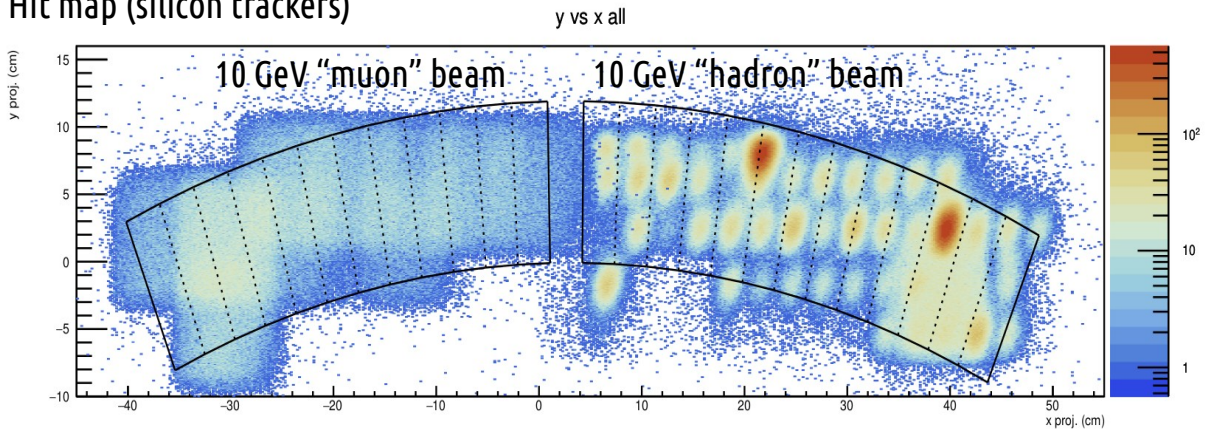


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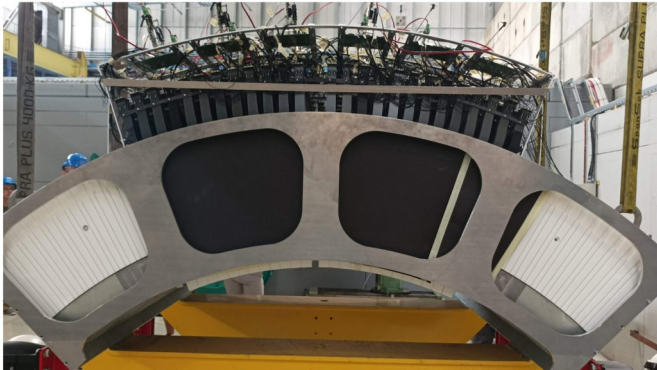
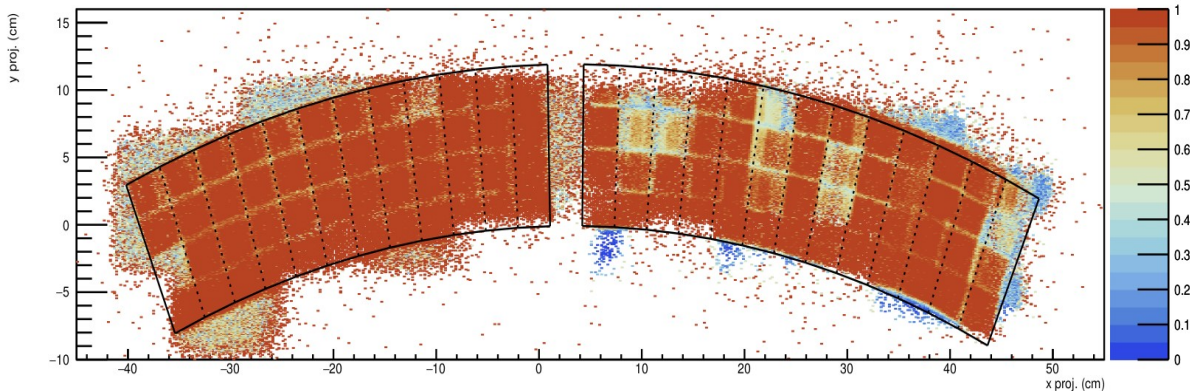
200 mrad tilt run



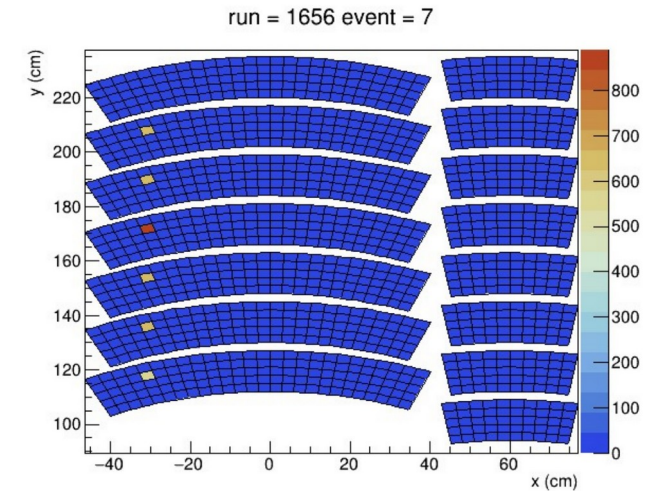
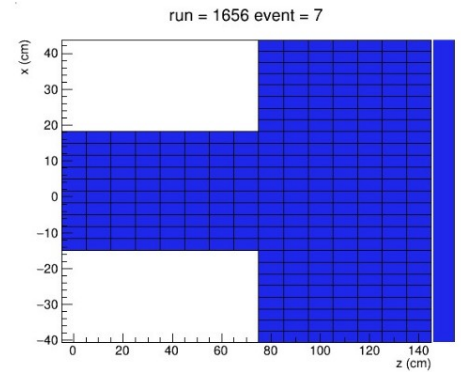
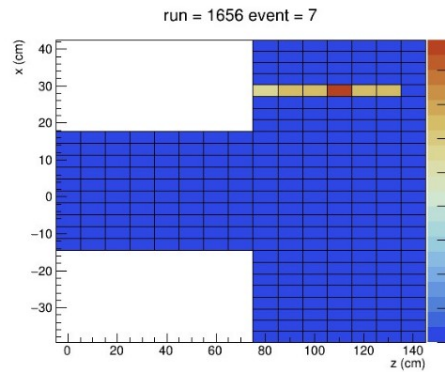
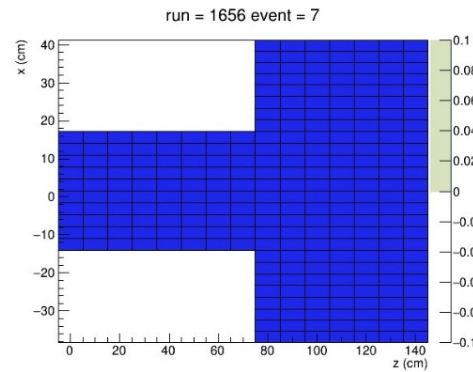
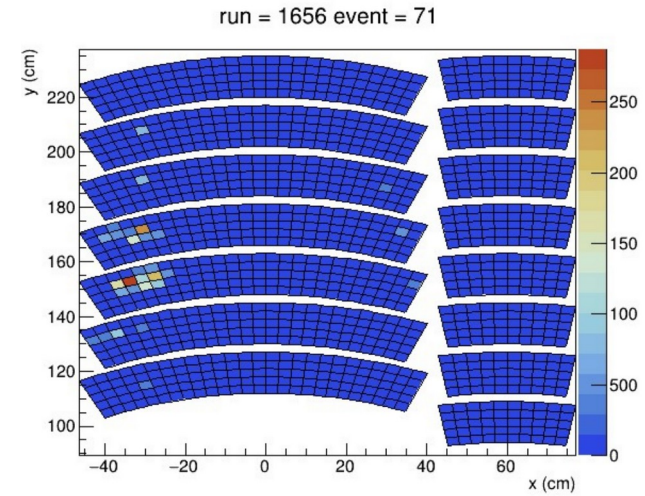
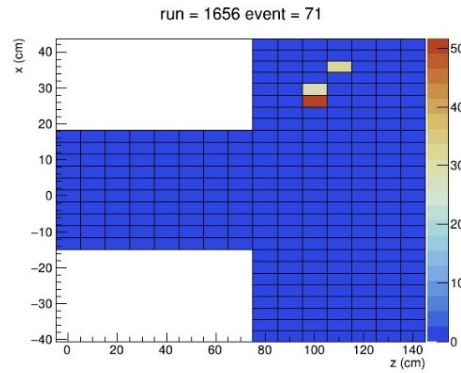
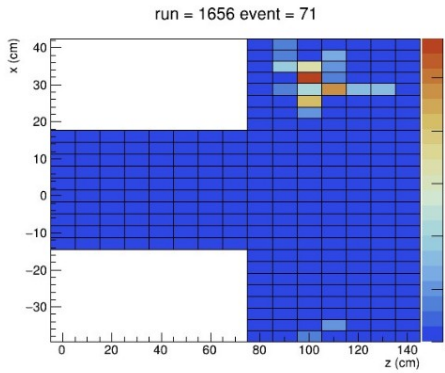
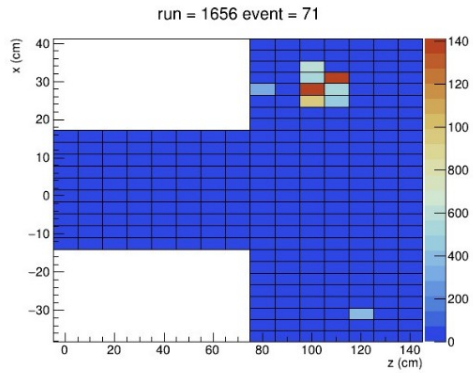
Hit map (silicon trackers)



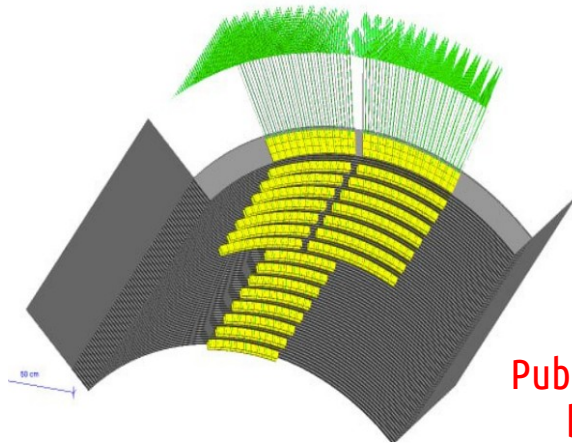
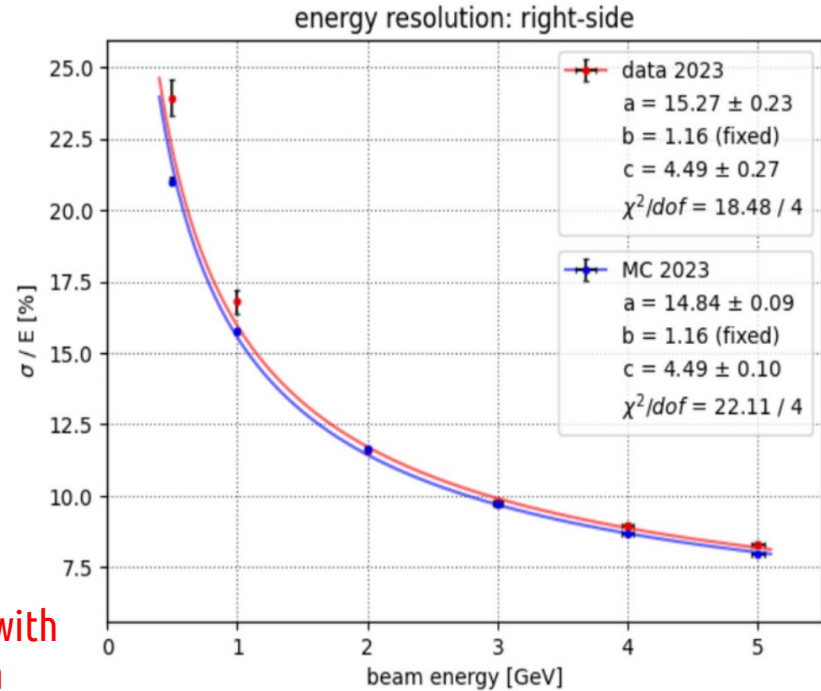
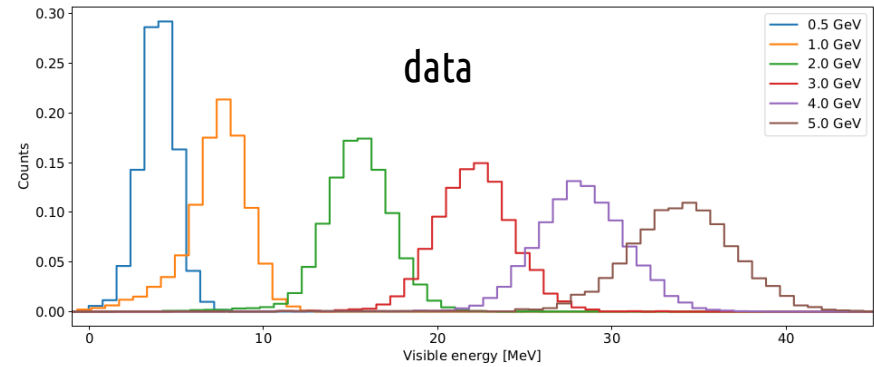
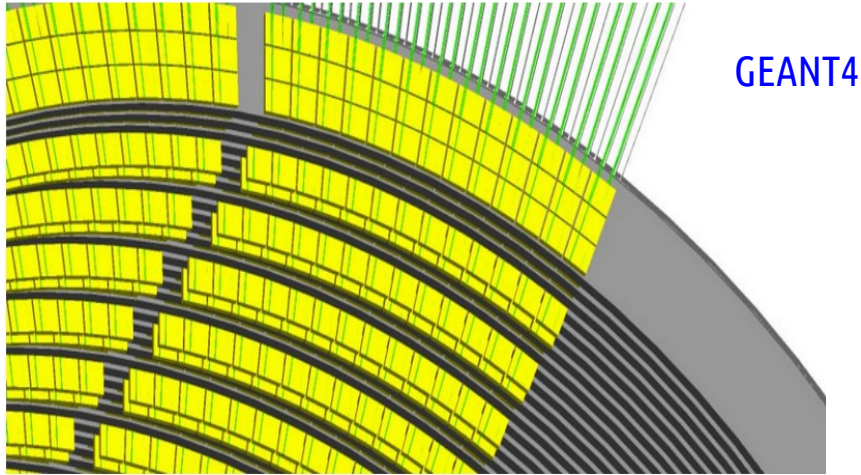
Efficiency map



# Event displays (mu, had 10 GeV)

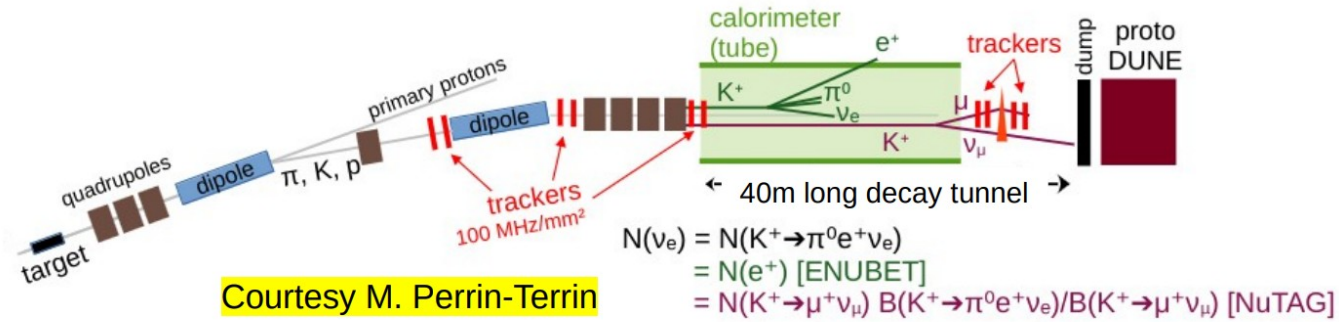


# Electron E resolution



Publication in the pipeline with both 2022 and 2023 data

# NuTAG: pushing on $\sigma_t(\text{tagger})$ and $\sigma(E_\nu)$



**NuTAG: state-of-the-art silicon trackers with excellent timing ("4D")**  
**→ tag the parent of the decay**

	Available	Max. Radiation	Max. Flux
NA62-GTK	since 2015	$10^{14} n_{eq}/cm^2$	2 MHz/mm <sup>2</sup>
HL-LHC	before 2028	$10^{16-17} n_{eq}/cm^2$	10-100 MHz/mm <sup>2</sup>

Ideal for 2-body decays ( $\pi_{\mu 2}, K_{\mu 2}$ ) to reconstruct  $E_\nu$

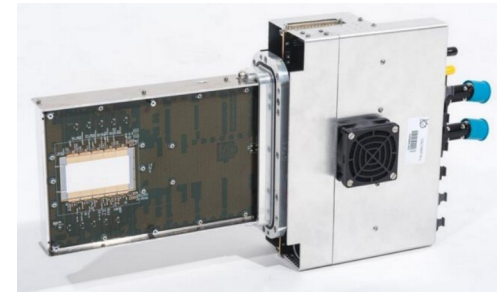
$p_{\pi/K}$  (parent momentum): tracking before and after a dipole  
 $\theta_\nu$  (with the interaction vertex in the detector)

$$E_\nu = \frac{(1 - m_\mu^2 / m_\pi^2) p_\pi}{1 + \gamma^2 \theta_\nu^2}$$

Large BR statistics: low-intensity runs.

Flux of  $\nu_e$ : inferred from knowledge of B.R. ( $K_{\mu 2}$ ) / B.R. ( $K_{e 3}$ )

If  $\mu$  can also be tracked: predict the  $\nu$  position -> Relax time matching



Could provide  $E_\nu$  resolutions at the % level. Studies progressing.

Challenges: upgrade of NA62 GigaTracker, reconstruction.

A. Baratto-Roldan et al. arXiv: 2401.17068

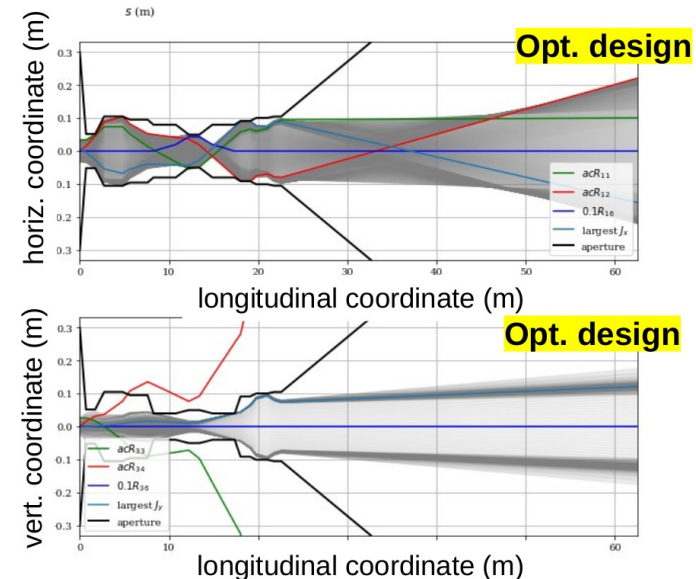
4 directions:

- Improved design. Compatible with **ENUBET & NuTAG**
- **Compatible with the CERN fixed target programme** (more  $\nu$  with less  $p$ )
- with fluxes down to **O(1) GeV** → **Hyper-Kamiokande**
- **Conceptual level feasibility study at CERN**: siting constraints, costs

**worked out**  
**worked out**  
**being studied**  
**being studied**

The new design uses moderately “bolder” assumptions on the quads apertures (very conservative for NP06/ENUBET) → multi-objective optimization, CNGS-like target, shorter line →

**$1.4 \times 10^{-3}$  K<sup>+</sup>/pot →  $3.5 \times$  higher Large gain! → physics performances of ENUBET with this beamline is in progress (~ similar S/B).**



# PBC-SBN perspectives

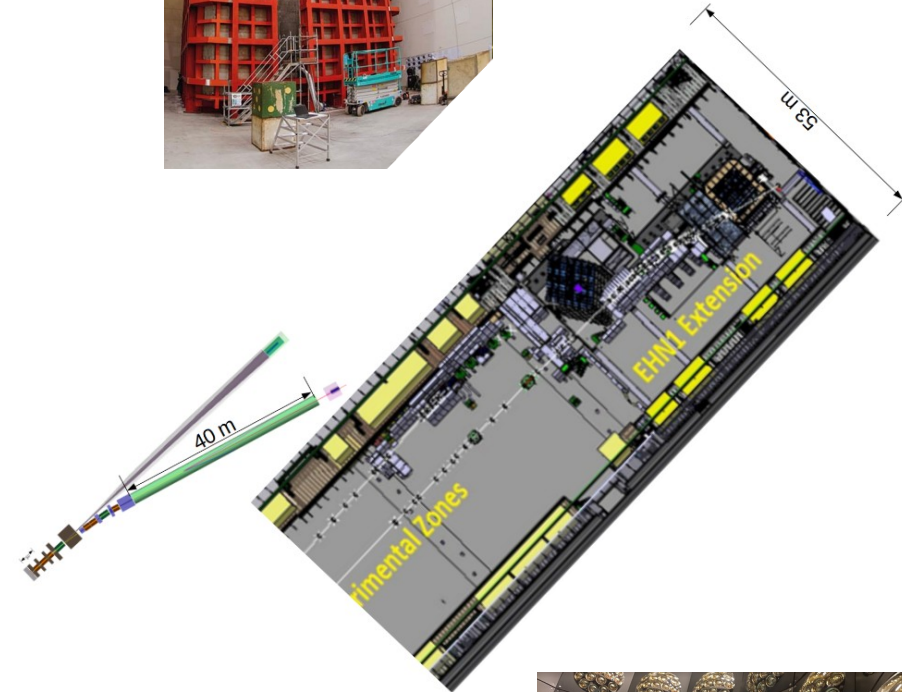
These recent studies shows that  $\sim 10^4 \nu_e^{CC}$  and  $5 \times 10^5 \nu_\mu^{CC}$ , with a flux normalization at 1%, over  $\sim 5$  years in a detector of similar size to the ProtoDUNEs are feasible.

$\sim 0.3e19$  POT/year (SHiP asks  $4.0e19$ /year)

Studies about possible **siting at CERN** are in progress.

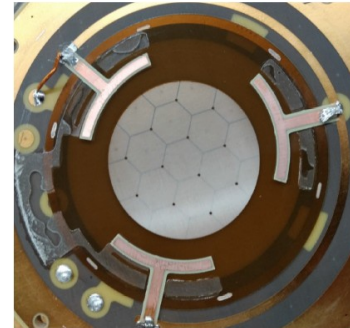
Shooting on the **protoDUNEs** at the North-Area would be an ideal optimization of resources  $\rightarrow$  checking feasibility/costs in practice

Other areas capable of accommodating detectors of similar size are being considered (also a WCh. detector  $\sim$  "WCTE++" would be extremely interesting)



# Forward monitoring with PICOSEC Micromegas

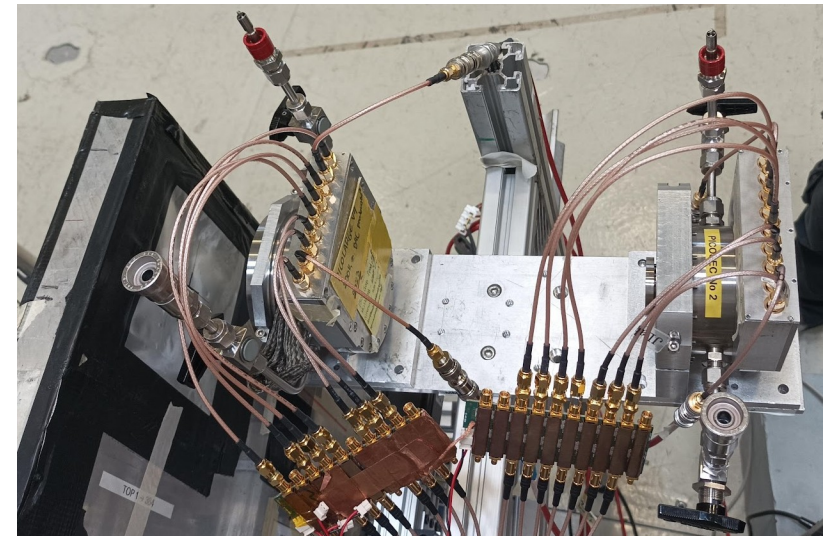
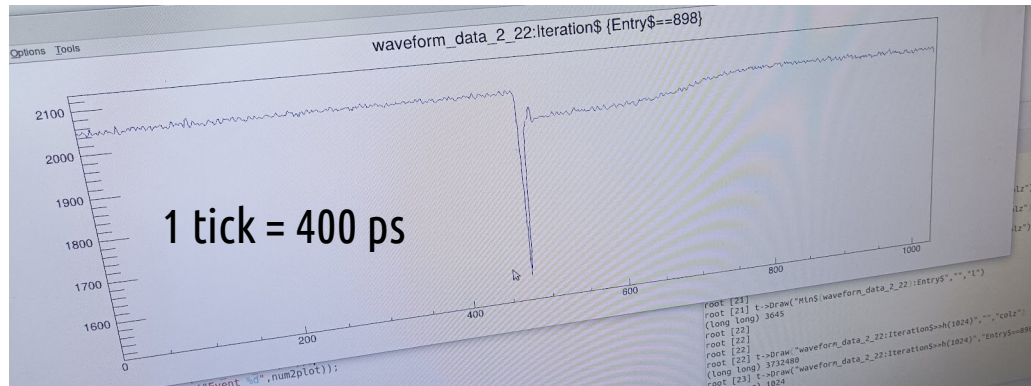
- Instrument also the forward region: observe  $\mu$  from  $\pi$  decays  $\rightarrow$  constrain low-E  $\nu_\mu$  component
- Instrumented hadron dump PIMENT (Picosecond MicromEgas for eNubeT), ANR2022-25
- Prototype tested with the ENUBET demonstrator, at T9 in Aug. 2024  $\rightarrow$  few 10s of ps resolutions achieved
- Athens, CNRS, INFN, Thessaloniki, Zagreb



19 channel anode  $\hexagon 1$  cm

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2018.04.033>

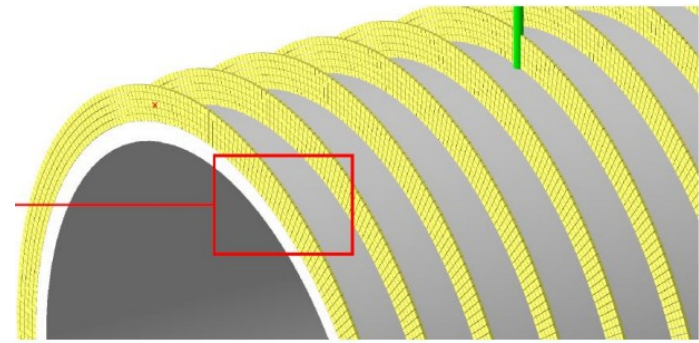
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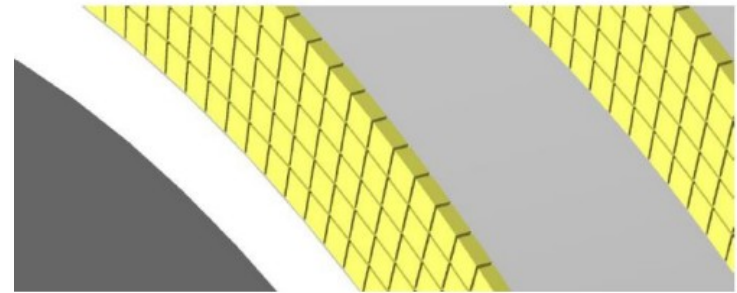


# A low- $E_\nu$ monitored beam at ESS ?

- [MNB@ESS](#) WP6 of the ESSnuSB
  - previous talk by [Tamer Tolba](#)
- $E_p = 2$  GeV. No K and  $\pi$  multiplicity very low. Mitigated by a very LARGE intensity.
- Must **monitor muons**. They are not as forward as for ENUBET due to lower boost  $\rightarrow$  cyl. geom. still OK.
- Design based on (PICOSEC) MicroMegas
- The spill structure (2.86 ms) makes **pileup** more delicate than for ENUBET ( $\rightarrow$  finer granularity  $1\text{cm}^2$ )
- Use only a **fraction of the extracted protons**
- $\rightarrow$  Constrain on the flux **seems feasible**
- with a **sufficient statistics of neutrinos**
- End-to-end studies as for ENUBET being carried on



A. Branca [link](#)



	ENUBET@CERN	MNB@ESS	Notes
Proton driver	400 GeV/c	2 GeV	At ESS we exploit pion decays and muon decays in flight [no K]
Secondaries	8.5 GeV/c	About 1-2 GeV	
Proton extraction	2 s	2.86 ms	This is a key item WP6 has assessed in 2023
Decay in flight of muons	Negligible	It is the main source of $\nu_e$ at the ESS	

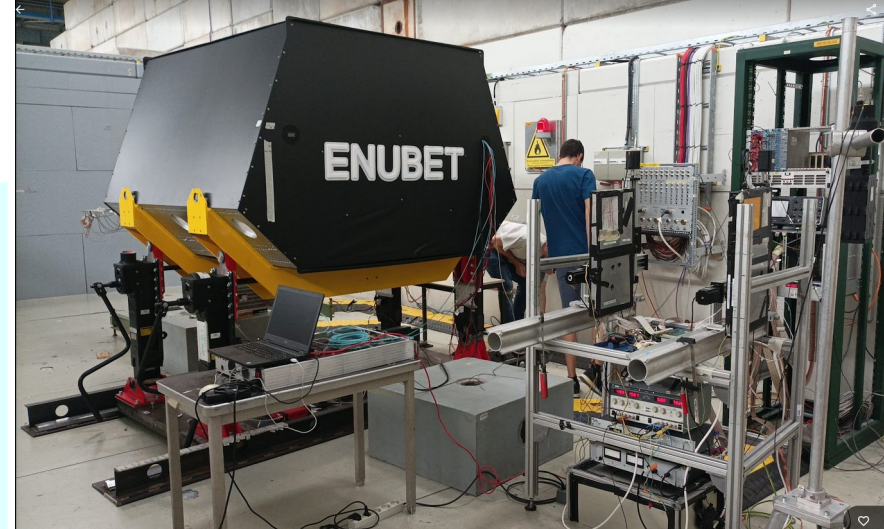
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# Conclusions

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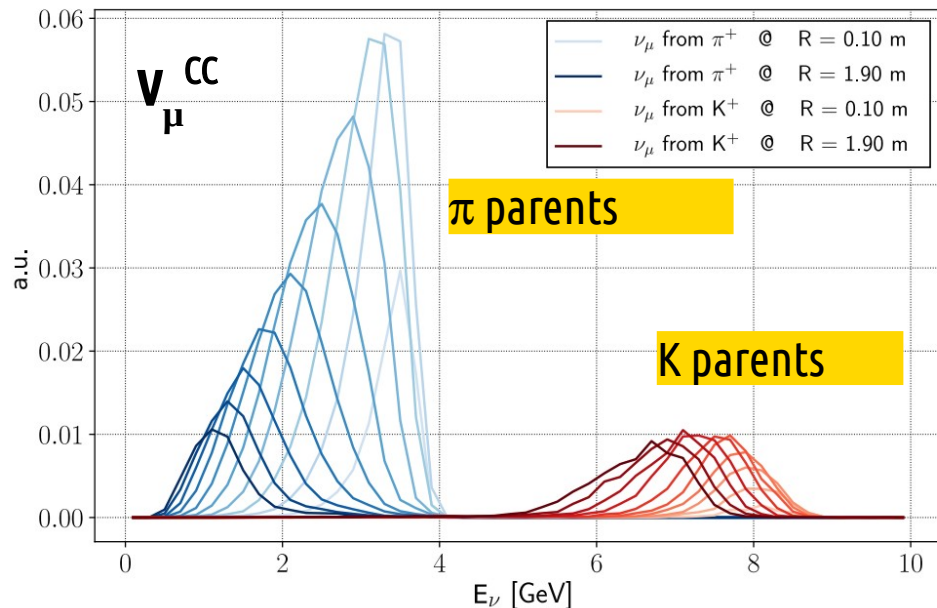


- Next two years will be crucial NP06/ENUBET
- Preparing for a dedicated **workshop Neutrinos@CERN** organized by PBC/Neutrino Platform at CERN in 23-24 January 2025
- and a **contribution to the ESPPU** process starting in spring 2025 (“European Strategy for Particle Physics Update”).
- The importance of the inclusion of an **even larger community** does not need to be emphasized!
- Thanks!

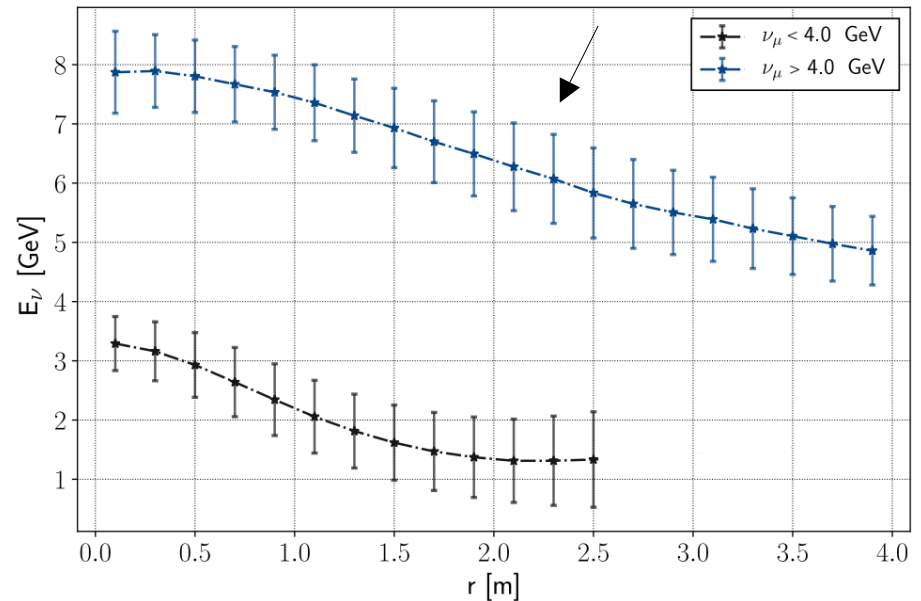


# $\nu_\mu$ fluxes decomposition: NBOA (~PRISM)

“Narrow-band off-axis technique” (NBOA): bins in the radial distance from the center of the beam → single-out well separated neutrino energy spectra → strong prior for energy unfolding, independent from the reconstruction of interaction products in the neutrino detector. “Easy” rec. variable. A kind of “off-axis” but without having to move the detector (thanks to the small distance of the detector) !



Error bands visualize the rms of the energy distributions



# ... a closer look

**Magnets:** existing standard (warm)  
6 quads + 2 dipoles + collimators

**hadron-dump:** ~  
optimized to reduce back-scattering in the tunnel & fraction of not-monitored flux

**W foil:** absorbs  $e^+$

**proton-dump:**  
3 layers (C → Al → Fe)

p 400 GeV

3m

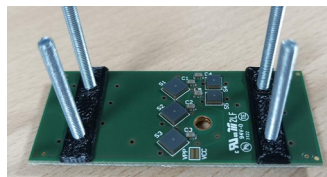
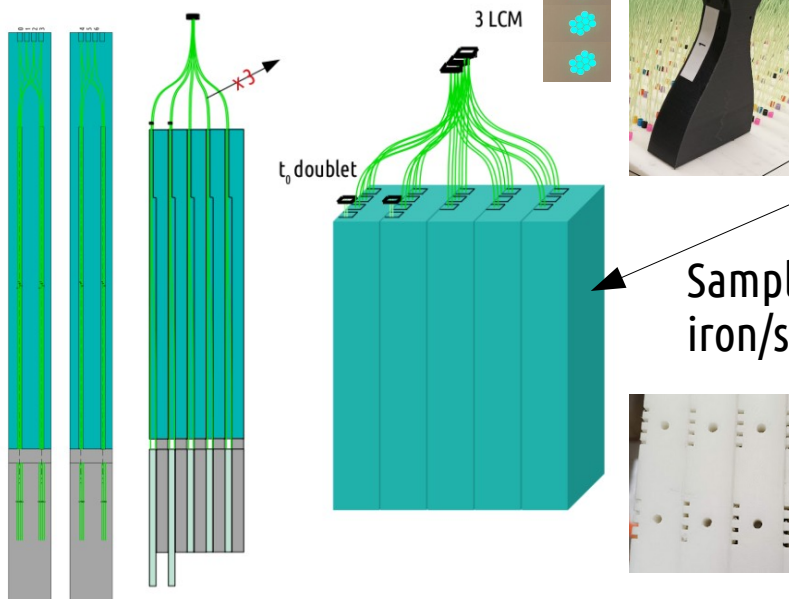
**Inermet absorber** @ tagger entrance  
with conical channel

**Target:** graphite L = 70 cm, r = 3 cm

**Simulation:** optics optimization (TRANSPORT). Design: G4beamline.  
Irradiation (FLUKA). Systematics (GEANT4, fully parametric, access to particle history).

# The demonstrator

WLS routing



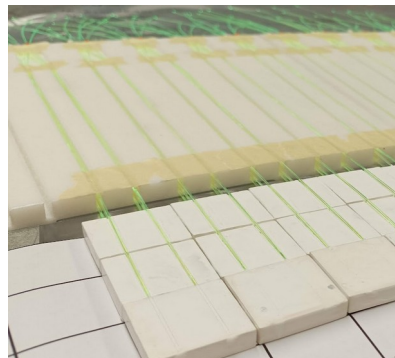
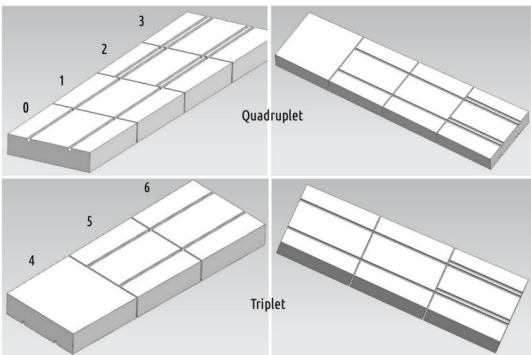
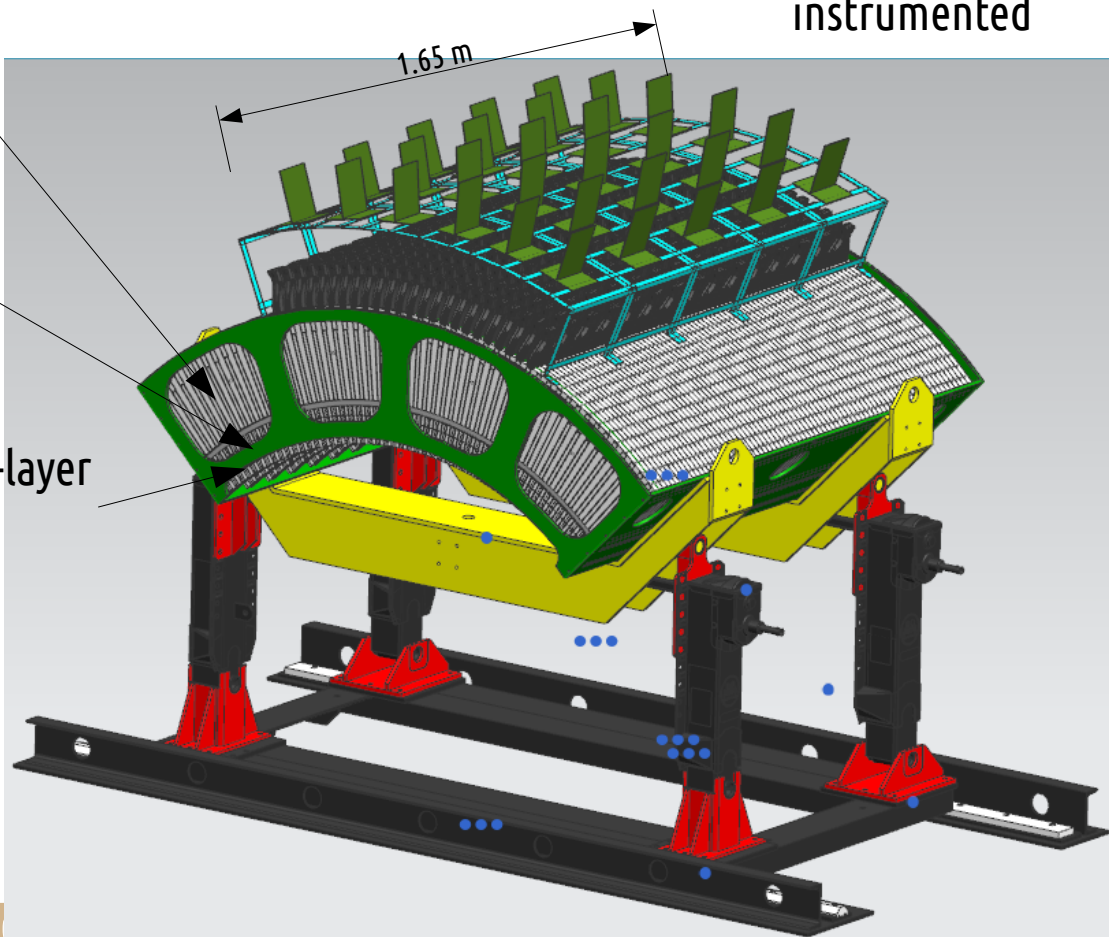
Demonstrate detector performance (PID, homogeneity, eff.), scalability, cost effectiveness...

90°, partially instrumented

BPE 5%

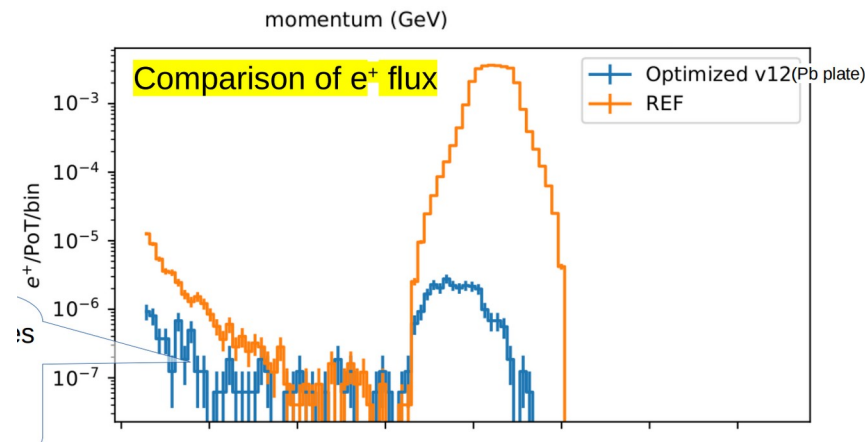
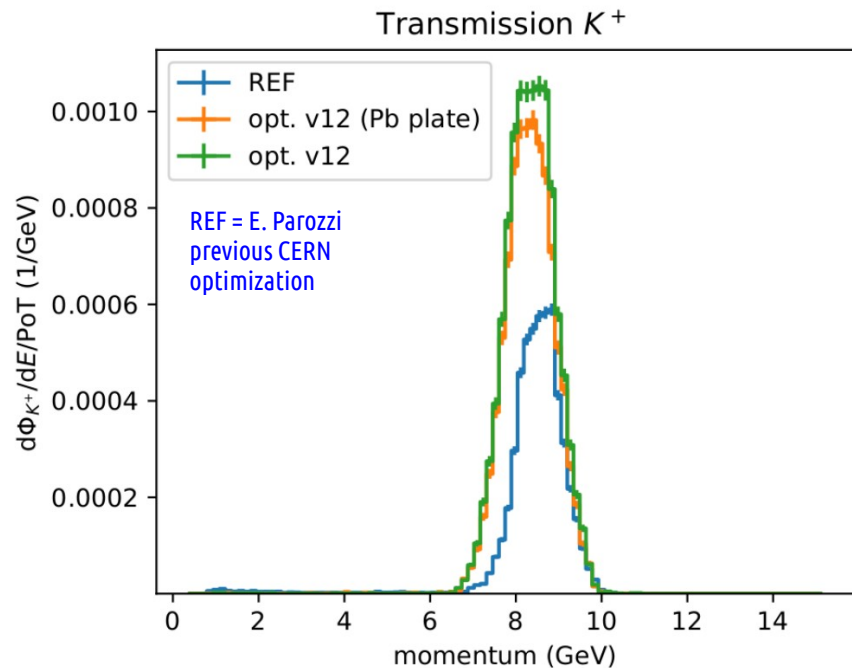
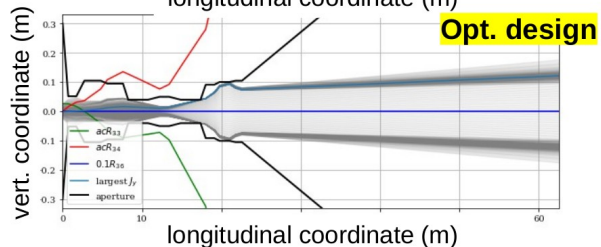
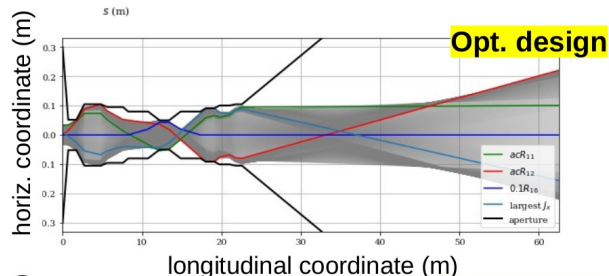
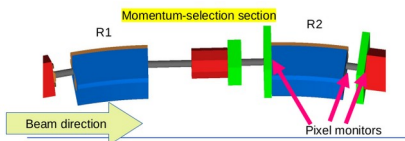
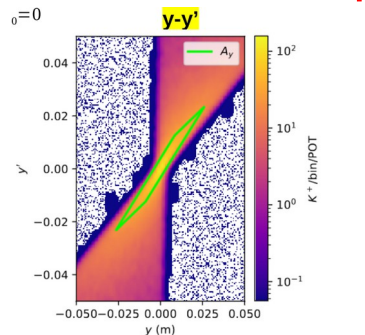
Sampling iron/scint calo

$t_0$ -layer



# The PBC-SBN beamline optimization

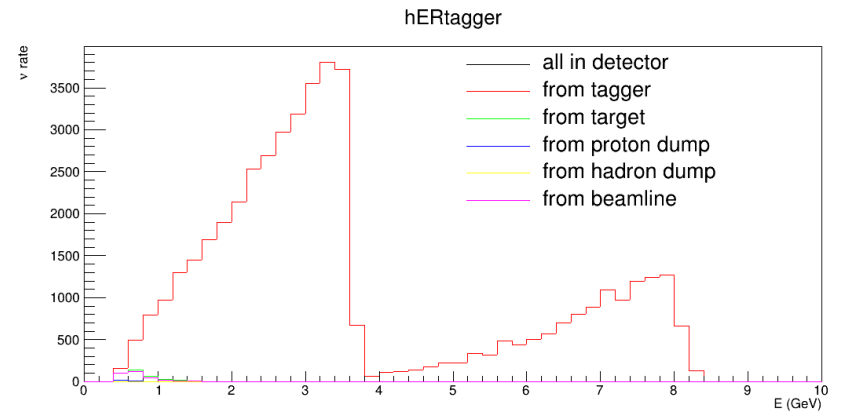
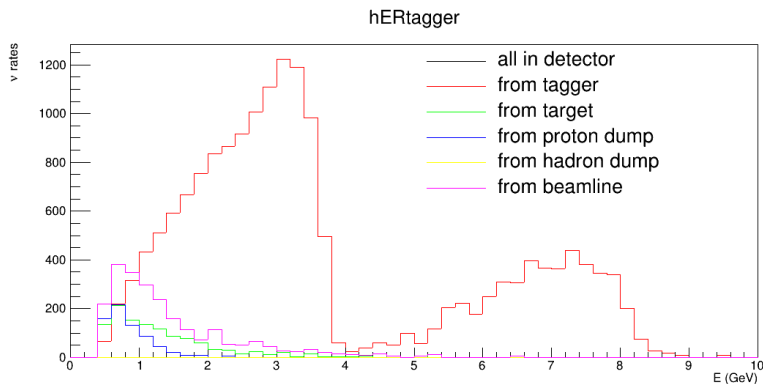
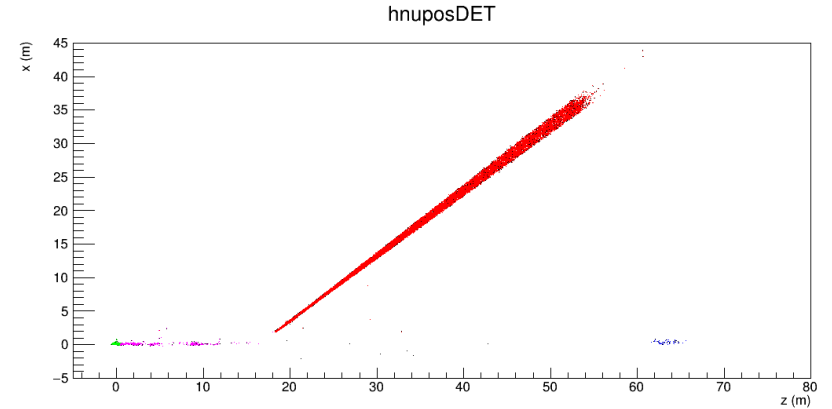
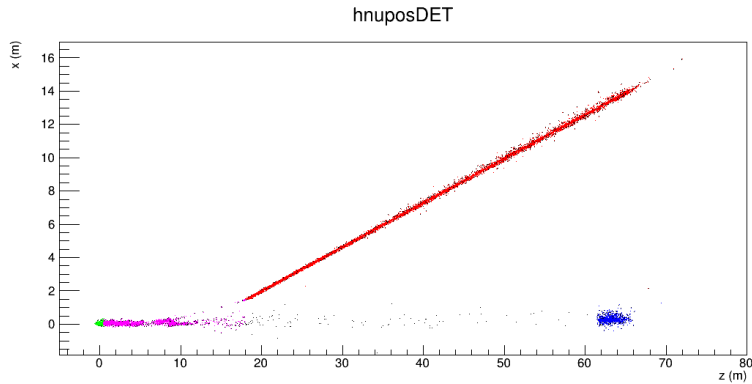
- [link to the talk at the PBC annual meeting by M. Jebramcik 26/03/24](#)
- Analyzed 16 targets, 7 drift spaces, 18 quad. parameters (6 magnets with different length, aperture, gradient) → **26 free parameters**
- **Multiple (3) objectives:** K<sup>+</sup> & n<sup>+</sup> transmission as possible and the beam size has to be as small as possible in the momentum selection and the decay tunnel
- 1) Linear optimization with **multi-objective genetic algorithm (MOGA)**
- 2) Verification with a start-to-end BDSIM simulation
- Optimized beamline **7 m shorter** (from 30 to 23 m). Uses a CNGS-like target
- 1.2 cm lead foil in the middle of momentum selection to suppress e<sup>+</sup>
- **1.41x10<sup>-3</sup> K<sup>+</sup>/pot → 3.5x improvement. Huge gain! → tuning of backgrounds with the full chain is in progress (→ iteration)**



# $\nu_{\mu}^{CC}$ spectra at detector

With a SC second dipole

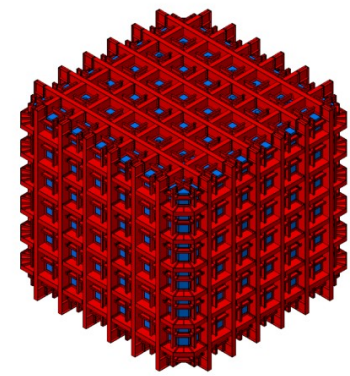
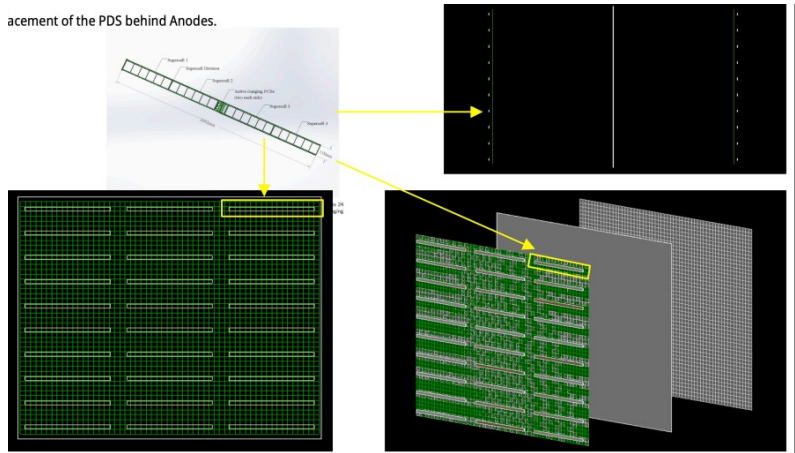
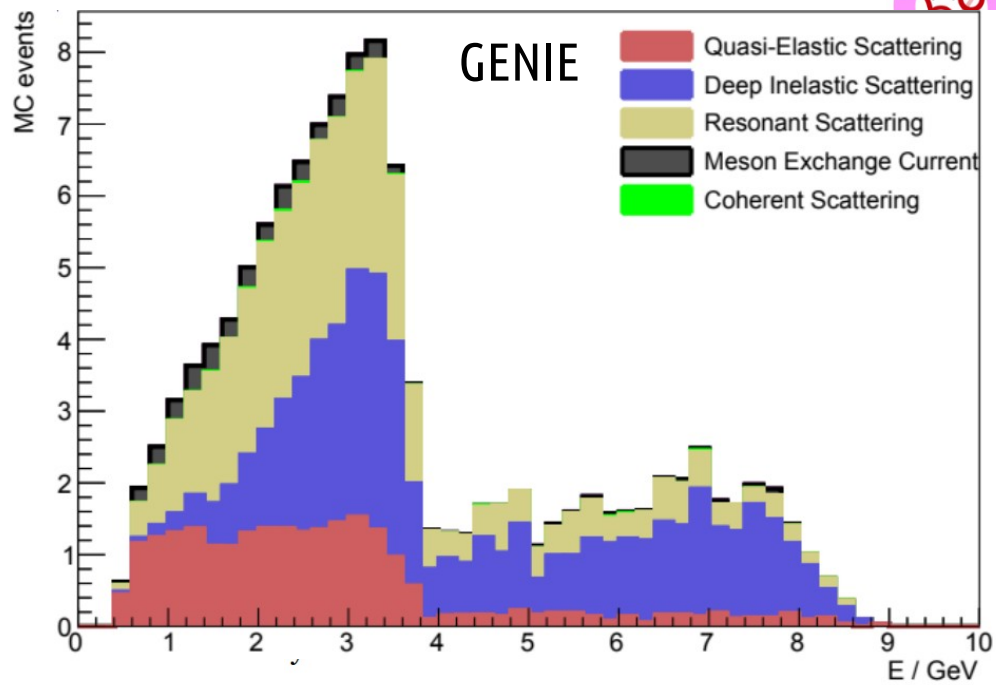
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# $\nu$ detector studies (ENUDET)

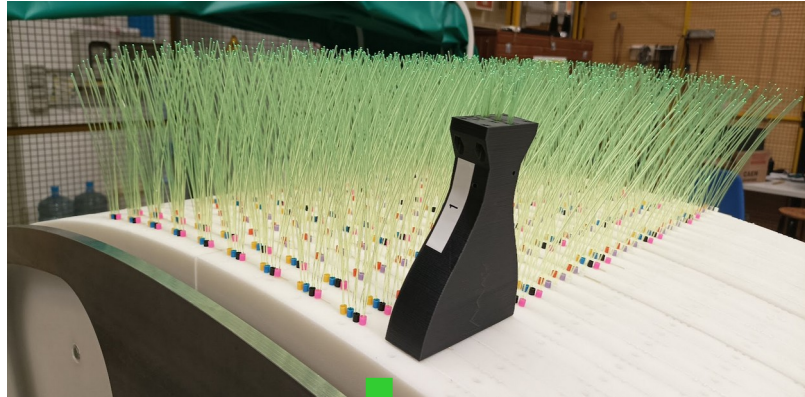
This R&D is being pursued by ENUBET together with the DUNE-SoLAR coll. and is instrumental in **exploiting liquid Argon in a tagged neutrino beam**. A dedicated task force is addressing:

- The **achievable  $\sigma_t$  of ProtoDUNE** overhauled for DUNE Phase II. It will be equipped with an **enhanced photon detection system**. The corresponding light yield will improve time resolution for GeV neutrinos below 1 ns.
- **Simulation of neutrino interactions (GENIE) and reconstruction effects** (i.e. role of cosmic rays background) to assess the physics reach on the cross section for specific channels

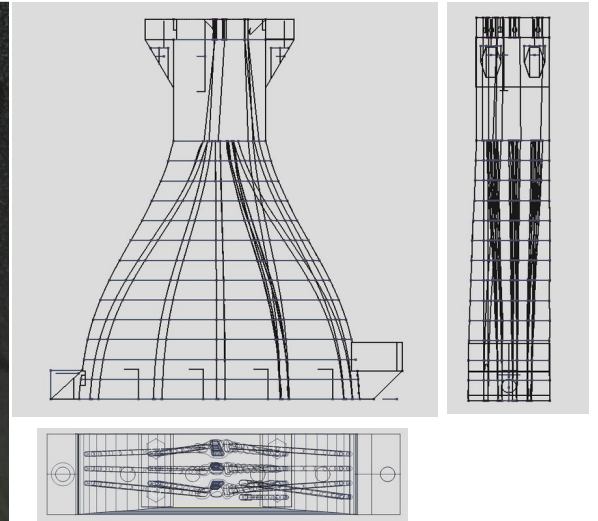




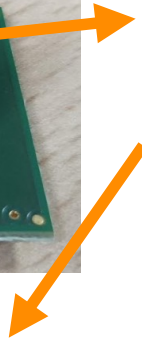
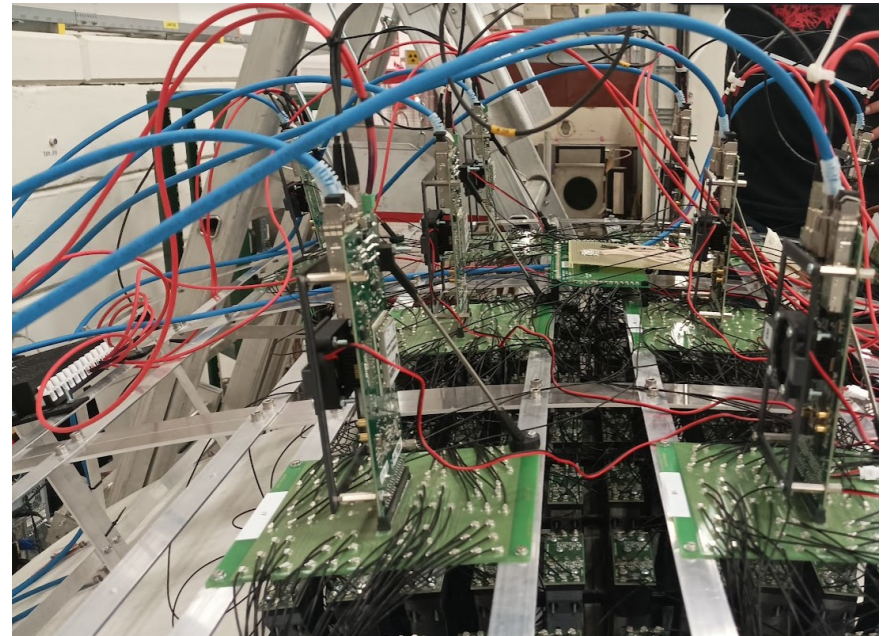
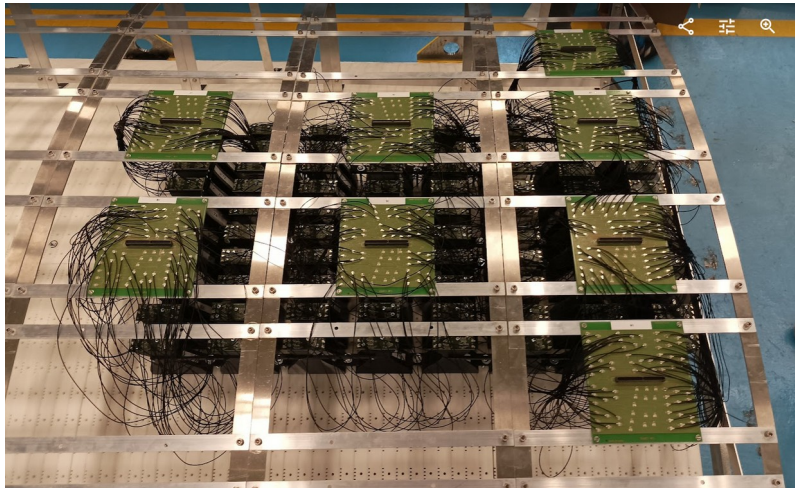
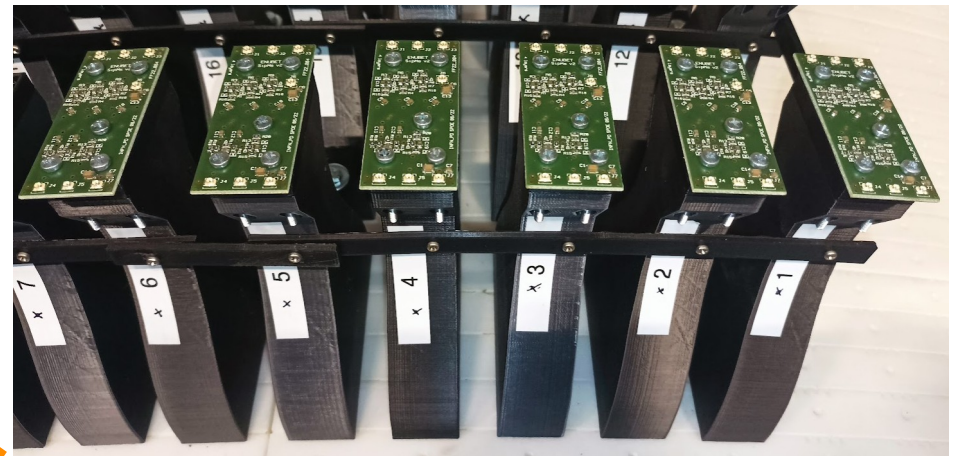
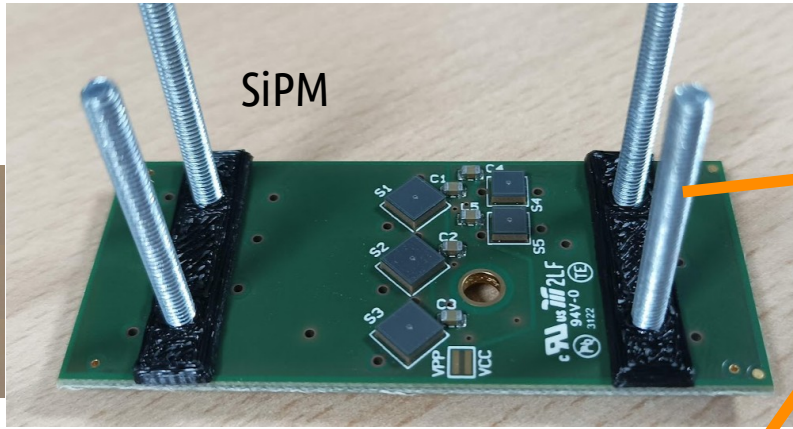
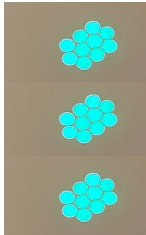
# Fiber bundling with “concentrators”



bundling of the WLS fibers with 3D printed “fiber concentrators” + in situ polishing

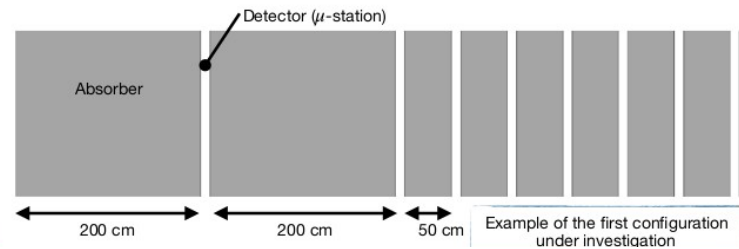
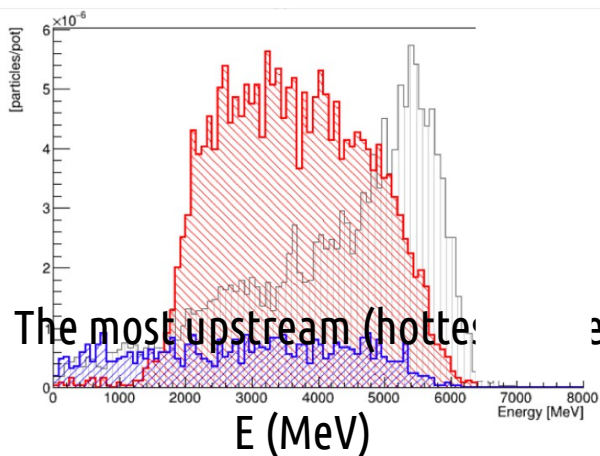
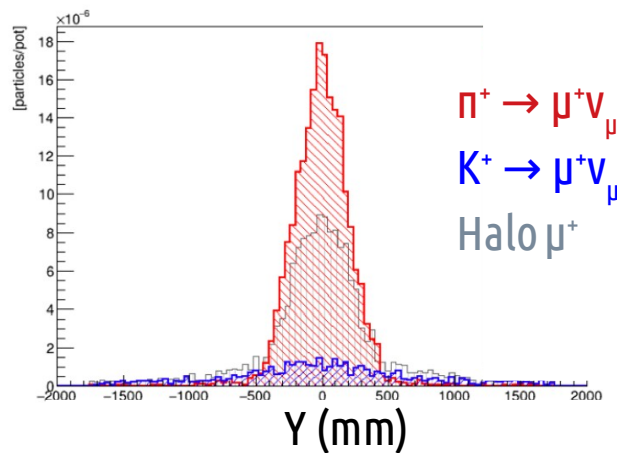


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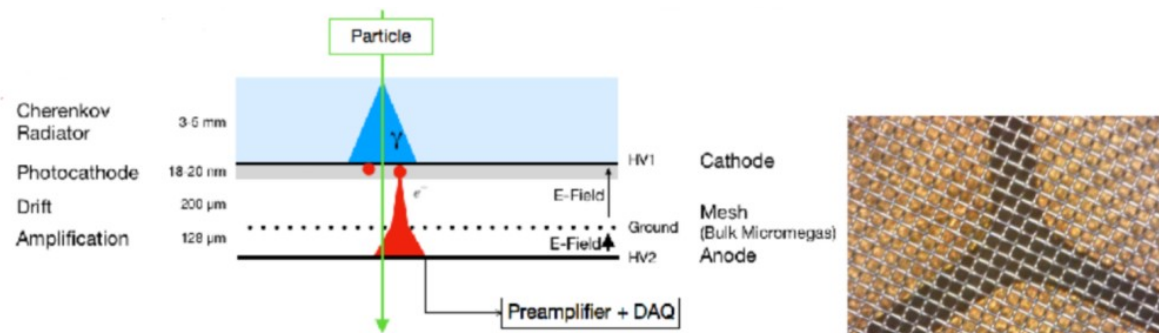


# Forward region muons reconstruction

Range-meter after the hadron dump. Extends the tagger acceptance in the forward region to constrain  $\pi_{\mu 2}$  decays contributing to the low-E  $\nu_{\mu}$ .



ector needs to cope with a muon rate of  $\sim 2$  MHz



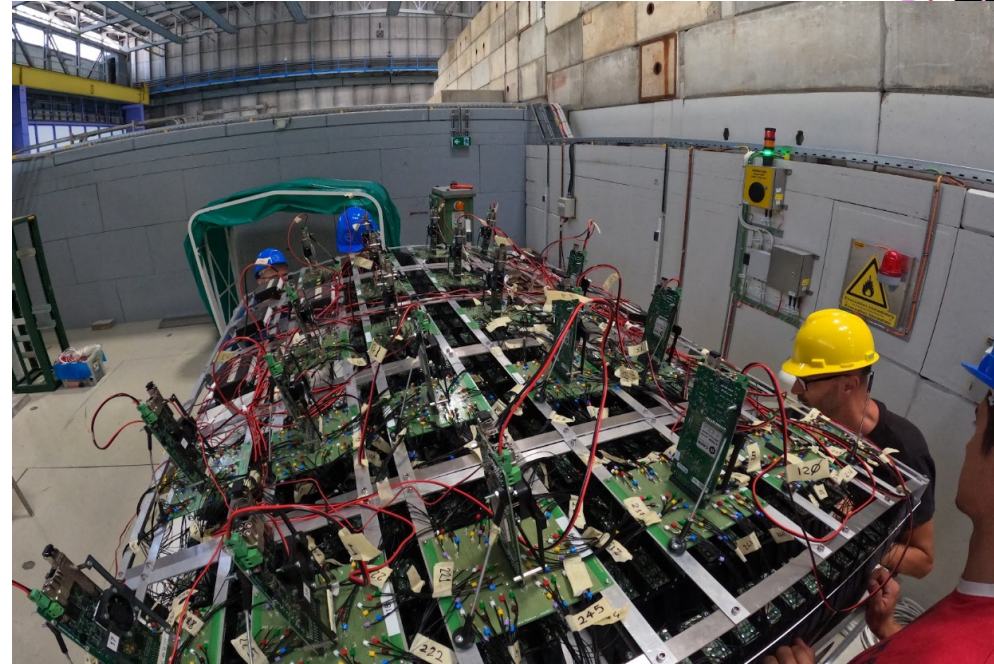
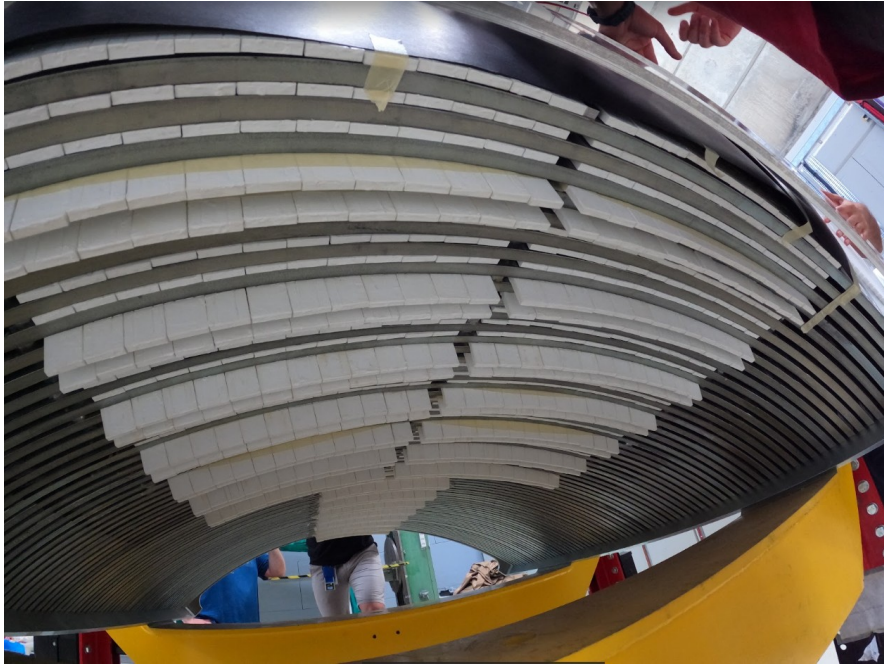
Micromegas detectors employing Cherenkov radiators + thin drift gap ?  
 Bonus: cutting-edge timing ( $O(10)$  ps).

**→ PIMENT project ! →**

# ENUBET: demonstrator

Assembly timelapse

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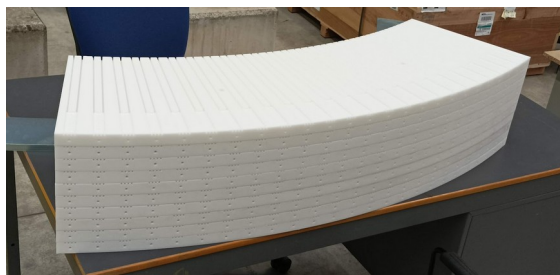
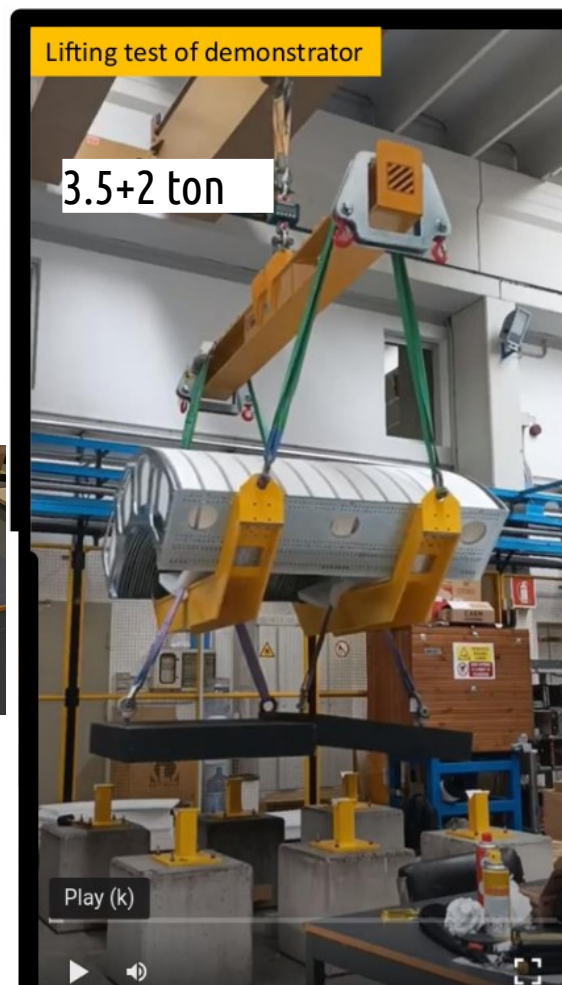
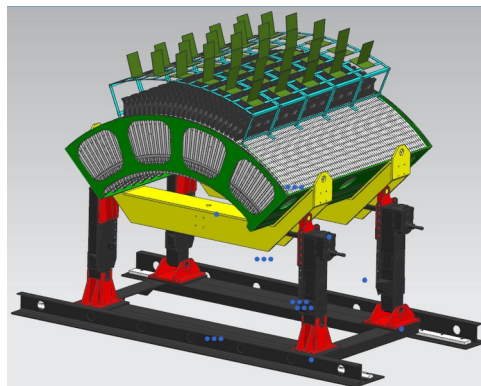
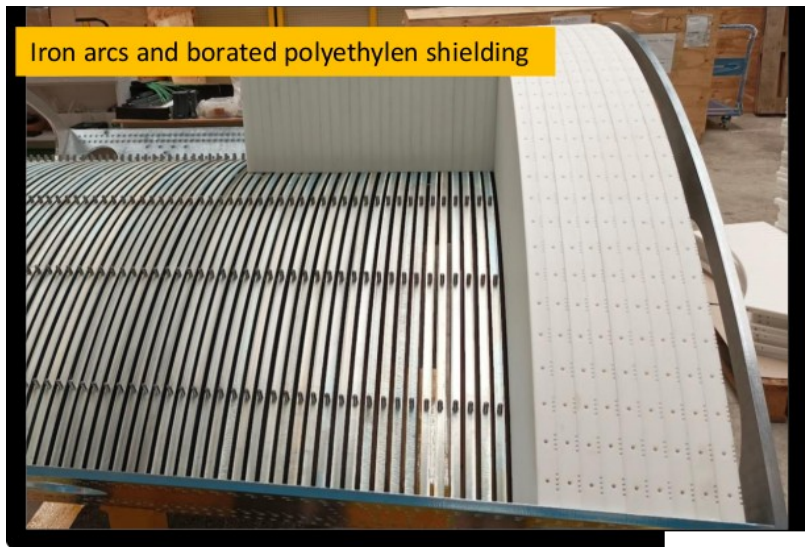


# The ENUBET demonstrator in numbers

- Scintillator tiles: **1360**
- WLS: **~ 1.5 km**
- Channels (SiPM): **400**
  - Hamamatsu **50  $\mu\text{m}$**  cell
    - **240 SiPM  $4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^2$  (calo)**
    - **160 SiPM  $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$  ( $t_0$ )**
- Fiber concentrators, FE boards: **80**
- Interface boards (hirose conn.): **8**
- Readout 64 ch boards (CAEN A5202): **8**
- Commercial digitizers: **45 ch**
- hor. movement **~1m**
- tilt **>200 mrad**

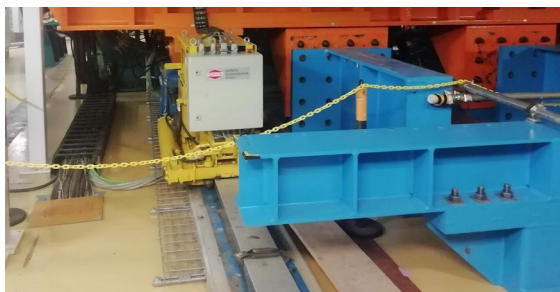


# Demonstrator construction at LNL-INFN labs

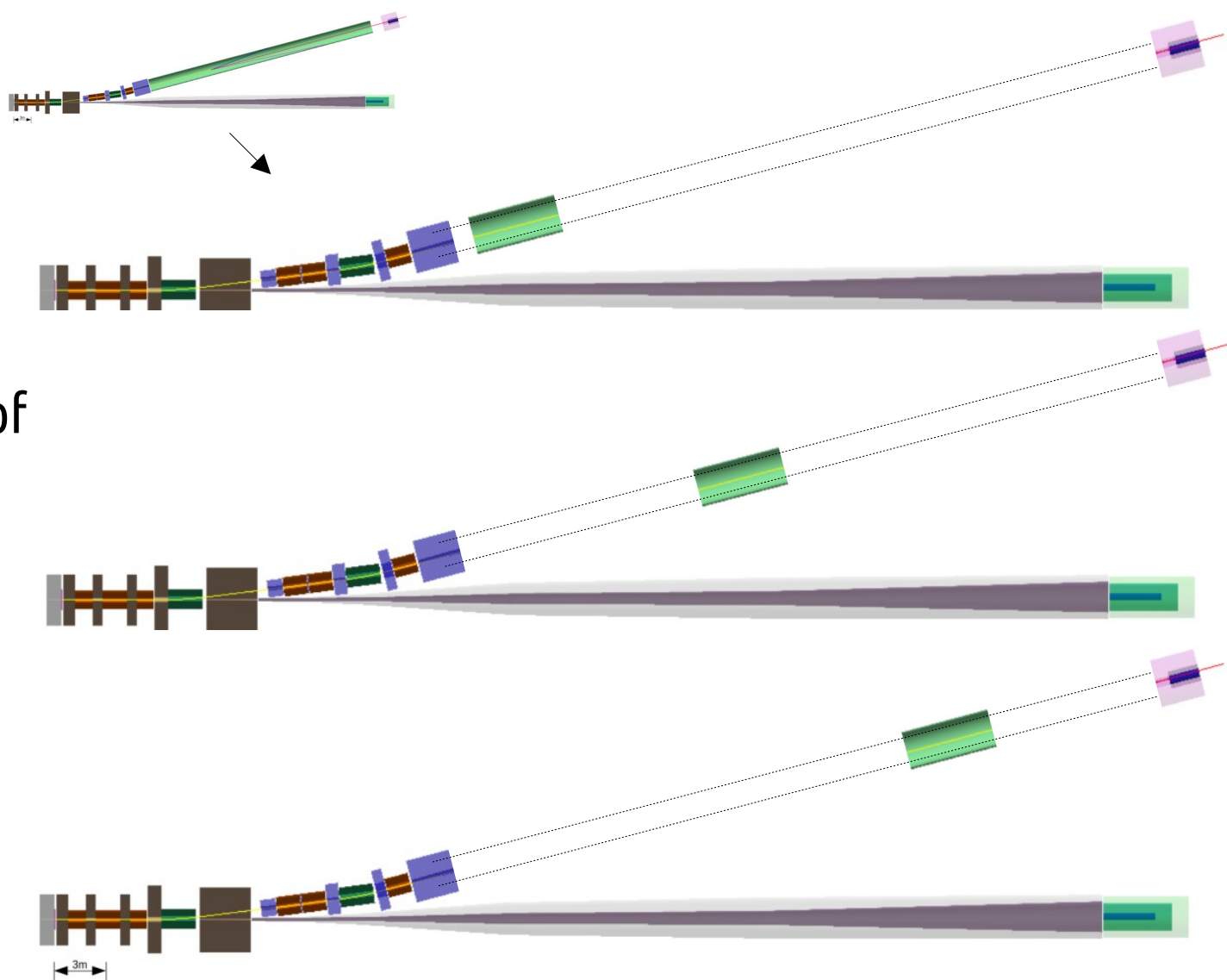


# An option?

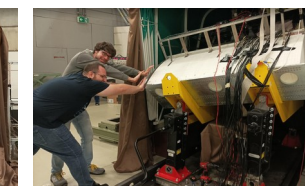
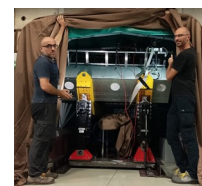
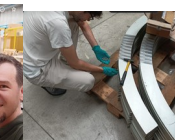
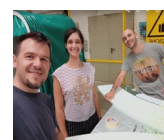
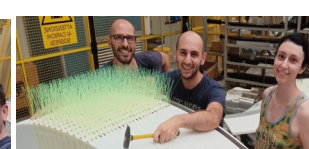
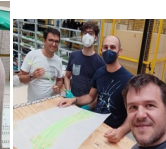
Study the systematics introduced but a partial “instantaneous” coverage of the full decay region



UA1/NOMAD/T2K magnet rail system



# Group pictures

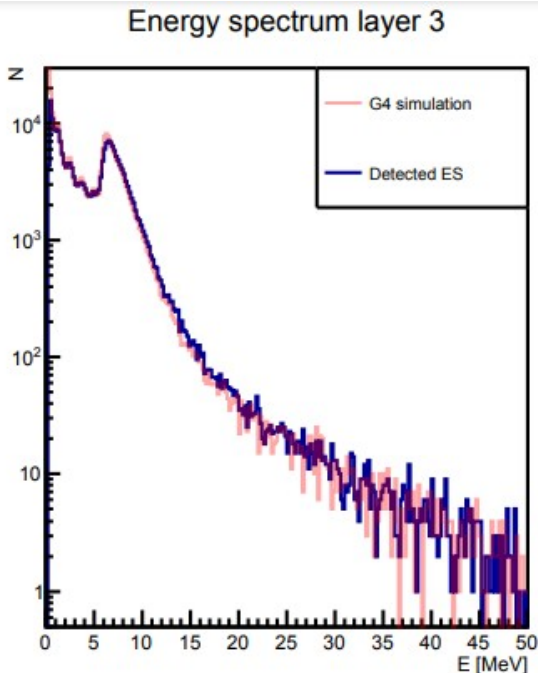




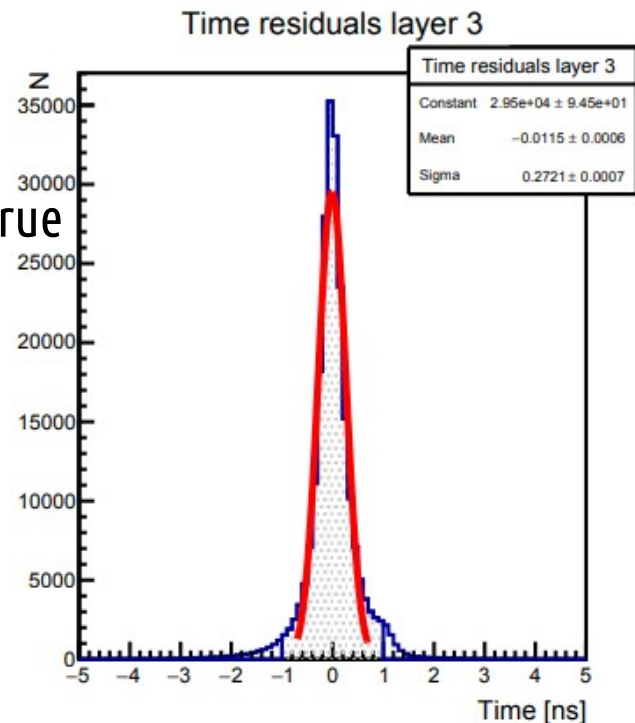
# Event pile-up analysis

The energy is now reconstructed as it will happen for real data i.e. considering the **amplitudes digitally-sampled signals at 500 MS/s**. Pile-up effects treated rigorously by “fitting” superimposing waveforms.

Matching between true level energy deposits from GEANT4 and fully reconstructed waveforms



Matching between true and rec. time (500 MS/s). 270 ps.

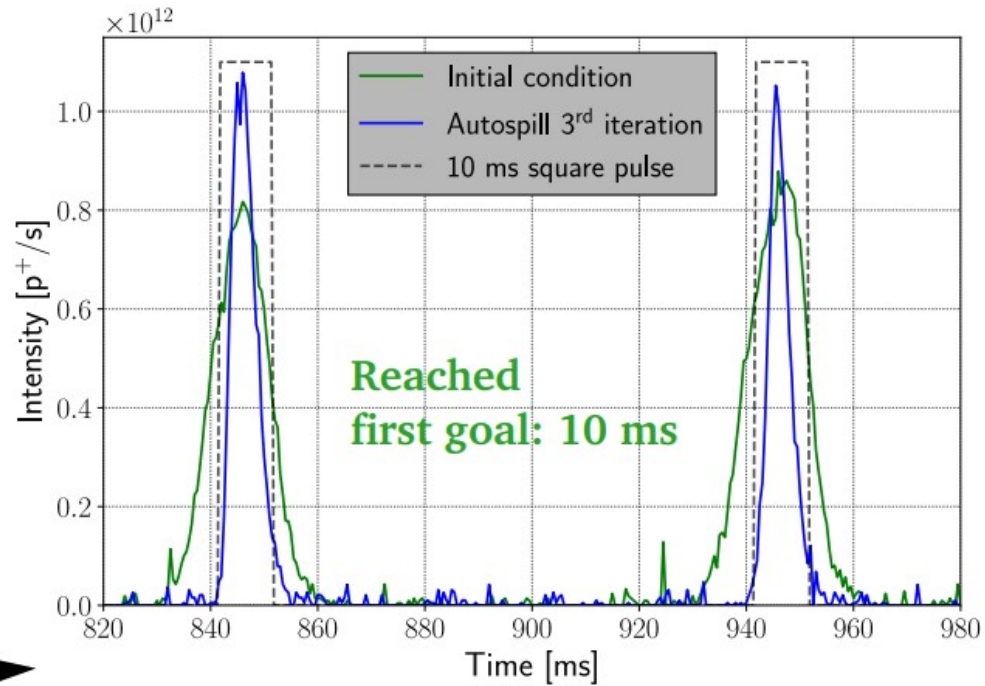
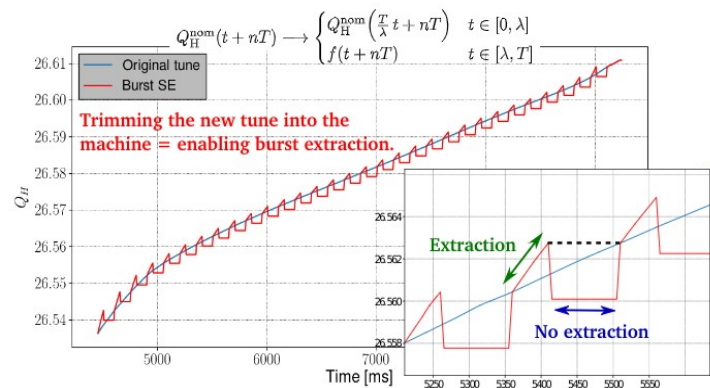
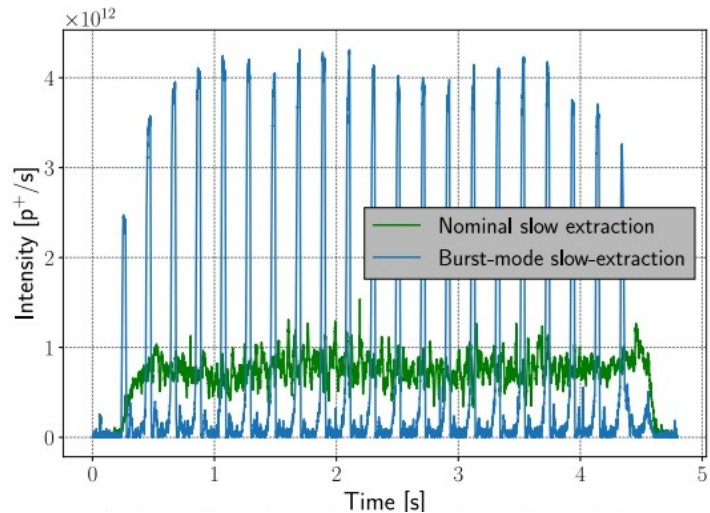


With  $4.5 \times 10^{13}$  POT in 2s

- 1.1 MHz rate in the hottest channels
- Peak finding efficiency = 97.4 %

# Proton extraction R&D for horn focusing

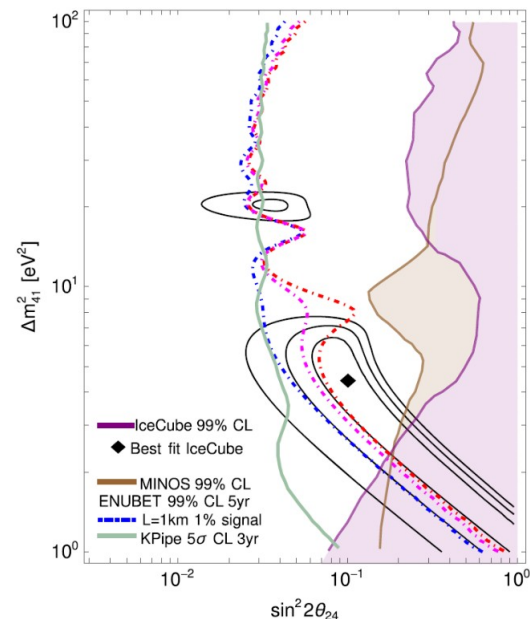
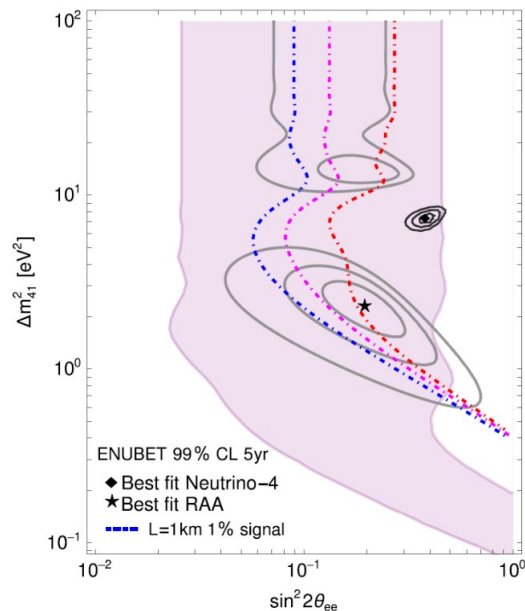
before LS2: burst mode slow extraction achieved at the SPS. Iterative feedback tuning allowed to reach ~10 ms pulses without introducing losses at septa



PhD thesis of M. Pari (UniPD + CERN doctoral).  
Defended 23/2/21.

## Sterile neutrinos: some results already available

L.A. Delgado, P. Huber, PRD 103 (2021) 035018



## Instrumented proton and hadron dump:

P. S. Bhupal Dev, Doojin Kim, K. Sinha, Yongchao Zhang, Phys. Rev. D 104, 035037 [ALP]  
 J. Spitz, Phys. Rev. D 89 (2014) 073007 [KDAR]

Work ongoing for studies of **Dark Sector** and **non-standard neutrino interactions** to assess potential of SBL versus Near detectors:

- **Pros:** energy control of the incoming flux. Outstanding precision on flux and flavor
- **Cons:** limited statistics

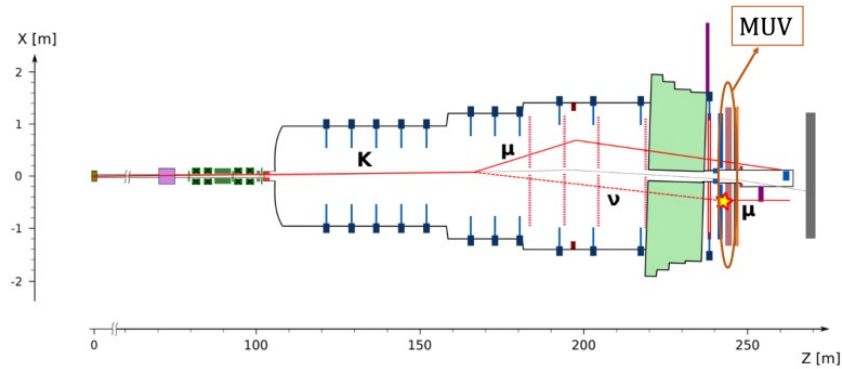
# For the first time at nufact2023

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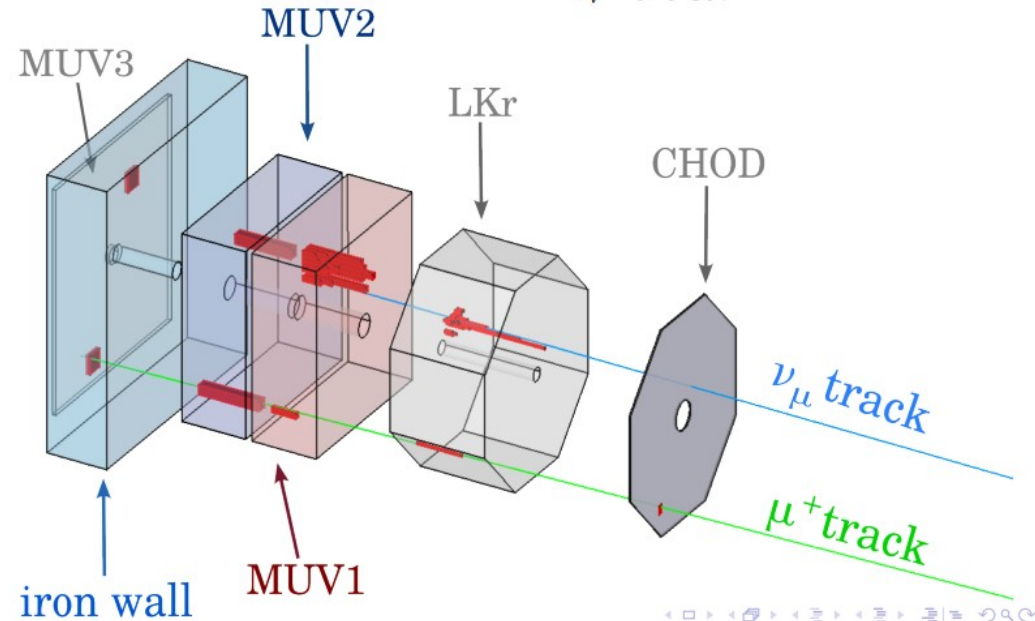
S/B=5.5, 2 candidates

Muon from K decay + neutrino interaction in Xe calorimeter in an existing experiment!



## Event Display - Event B

- $p_{\mu^+} = 18.74 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $E_{\nu} = 57.5 \text{ GeV}$



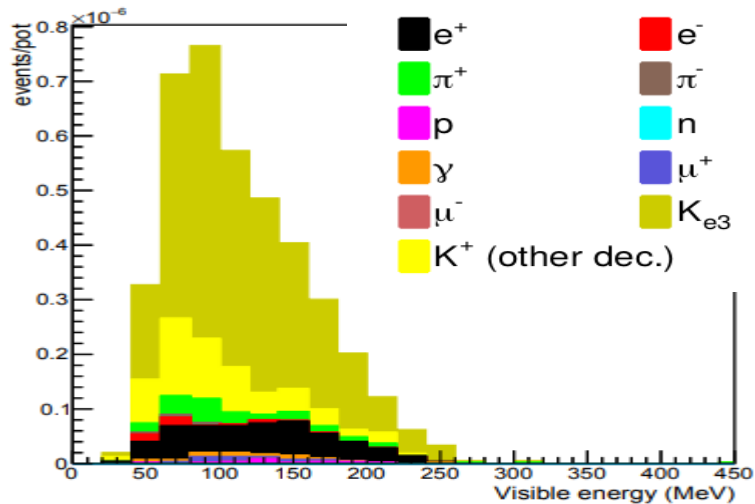
# Lepton reconstruction

GEANT4 simulation. Event building: clustering of cells in space and time (accounting for **pile-up**) → PID with a Multilayer Perceptron

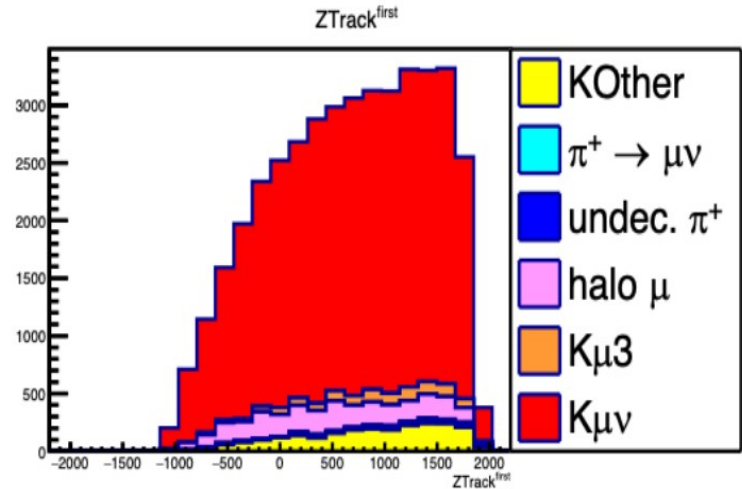
Half of efficiency loss is geometrical

$K_{e3}$  eff.  $\sim 22\%$   $S/N \sim 2$

$K_{\mu 2}$  eff. 34%  $S/N \sim 6$   
 $K_{\mu 3}$  eff. 21% ( $K_{\mu 3}$ )  $S/N \sim 6$



$e^+$  candidate visible energy (MeV)

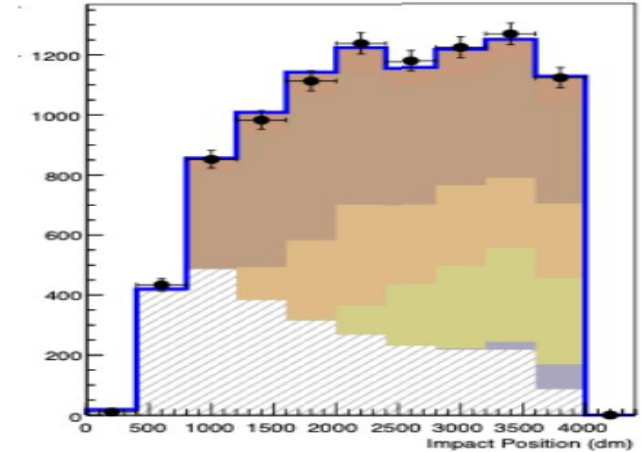


$\mu^+$  candidate z coord (cm)

# Constraint from lepton rates → flux systematics reduction

- Build S+B model to fit lepton observables
  - 2D distributions in  $z(\text{lepton})$  and reconstructed-energy
- include hadro-production (HP), transfer line (TL), detector systematics as nuisance parameters ( $\alpha, \beta, \dots$ )

$$L(N|N_{\text{exp}}) = P(N | N_{\text{exp}}) \cdot \prod_{\text{bins}} P(N_i | \text{PDF}_{\text{Ext.}}(N_{\text{exp}}, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta})_i) \cdot \text{pdf}_{\alpha}(\vec{\alpha} | 0, 1) \cdot \text{pdf}_{\beta}(\vec{\beta} | 0, 1)$$



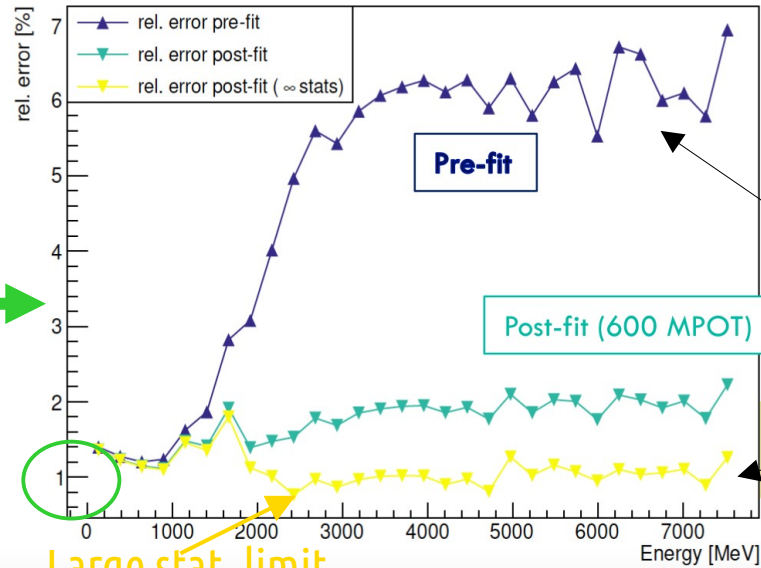
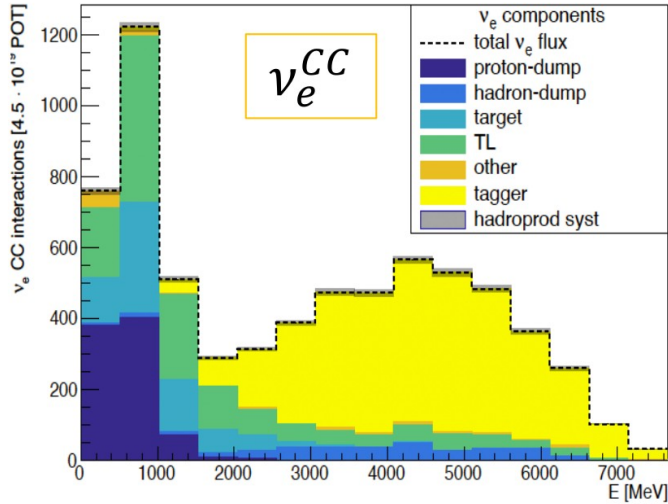
Each histogram component corresponds to a bin in  $E_{\nu}$

→ Extended Maximum Likelihood fit

Use a parametric model fitted to hadro-production data from **NA56/SPY experiment**:

- compute variations (“envelopes”) using multi-universe method (“toy exp”) for the lepton observables and the flux of neutrinos
- evaluate “post-fit” variance of the expected flux

# Flux constraint results



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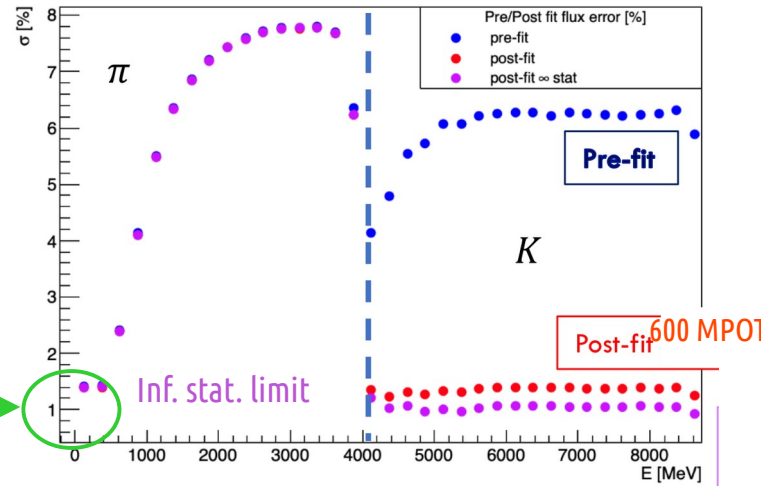
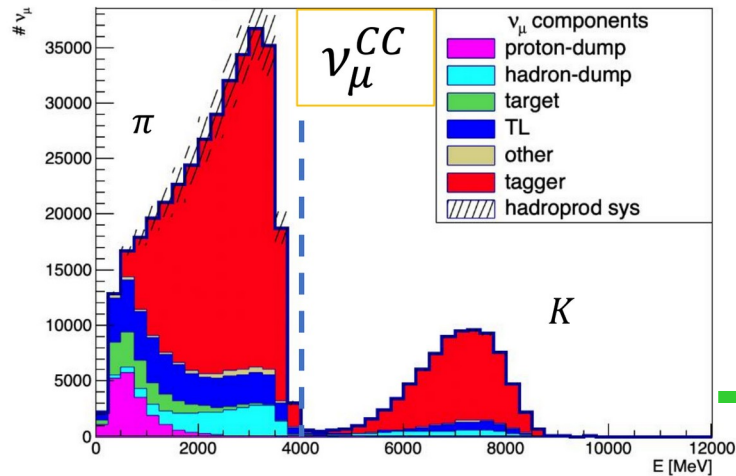
sys. budget from HP (NA56/SPY data): **~6%**

After constraint (fit to lepton rates measured by the tagger):  
**Down to ~1%!**

Full simulation data (beamline, detector, reconstruction)

Works for both  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$

Finalizing the analysis to include detector effects, publication in preparation



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# Tagger particle budget at true level

