

NP06 / ENUBET

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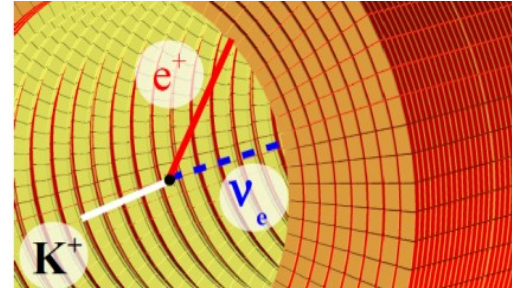
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NP06/ENUBET development



- A dedicated short baseline neutrino beam with a 1% precision in ν_e and ν_μ 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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<https://www.pd.infn.it/eng/enubet/>

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ERC project 6/2016- 12/2022

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Enhanced NeUtrino BEams from kaon
Tagging ERC-CoG-2015, G.A. 681647,
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- CERN Neutrino Platform:
NP06/ENUBET
- Physics Beyond Colliders 

Present collaboration: 74 auth, 17 institutions



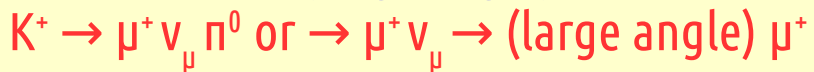
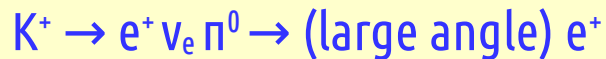
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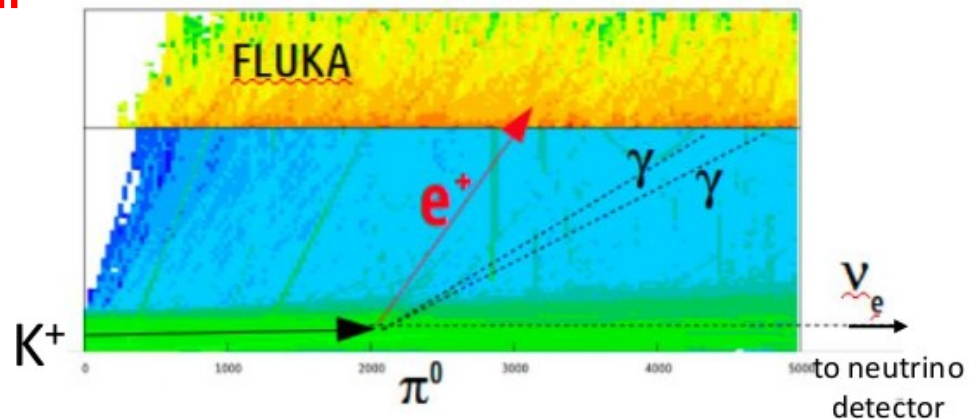
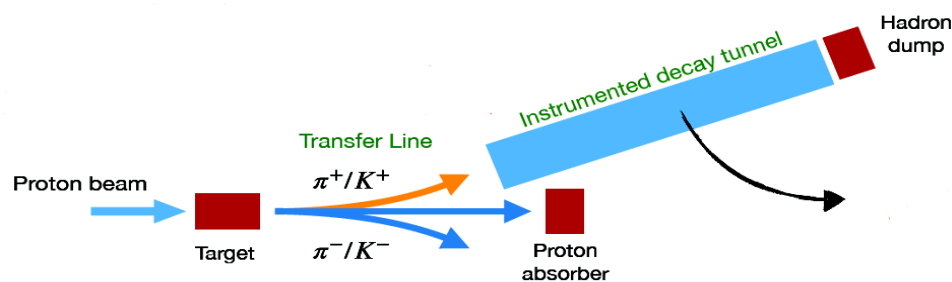
ENUBET

... the first “monitored neutrino beam”:

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



- ν_e and ν_μ flux prediction from e^+/μ^+ rates

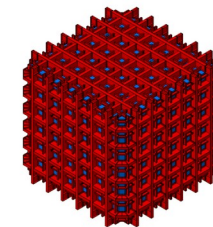


- Needs a **collimated mom-selected hadron beam** → **only the decay products hit the tagger**
→ manageable rates and irradiation in the detectors
- Needs a “short” decay region : ~all ν_e from K, only ~1% ν_e from μ (large flight length)

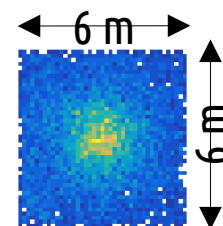
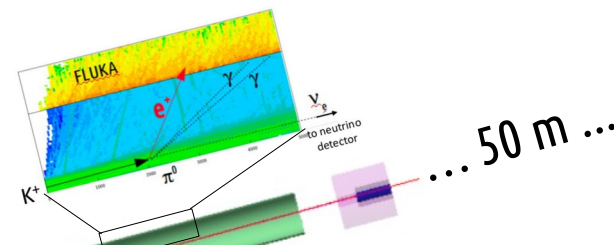
NB: it requires a **specialized beam**, not a “pluggable” technology for existing super-beams (unfortunately!)

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 - Beamline design and performance

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 (ν 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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<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2308.09402.pdf>

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1140/epjc/s10052-023-12116-3>

... 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

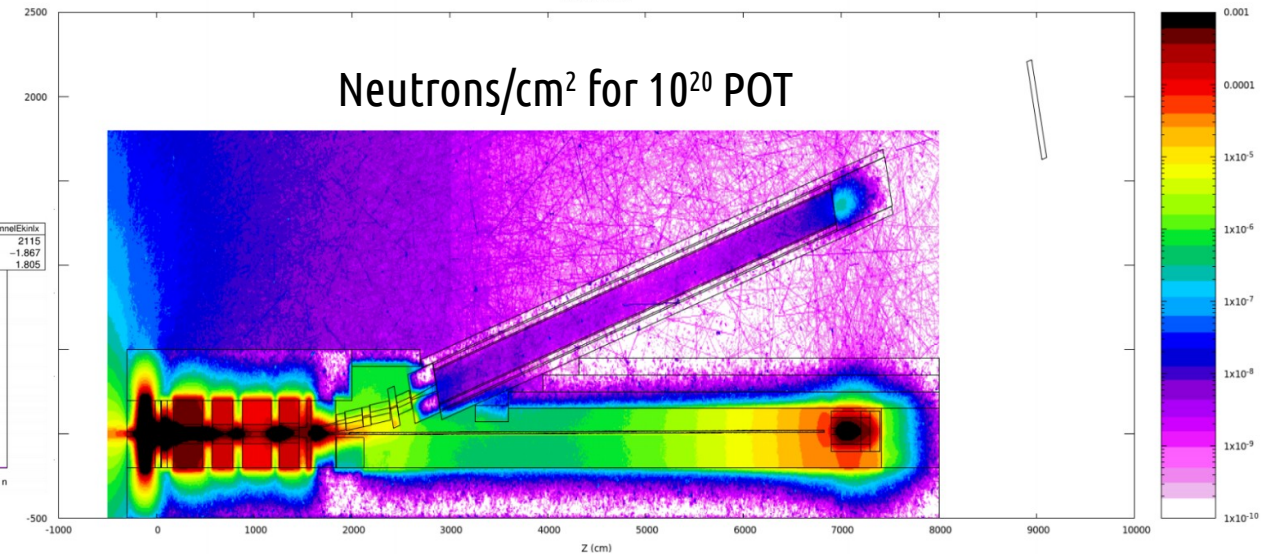
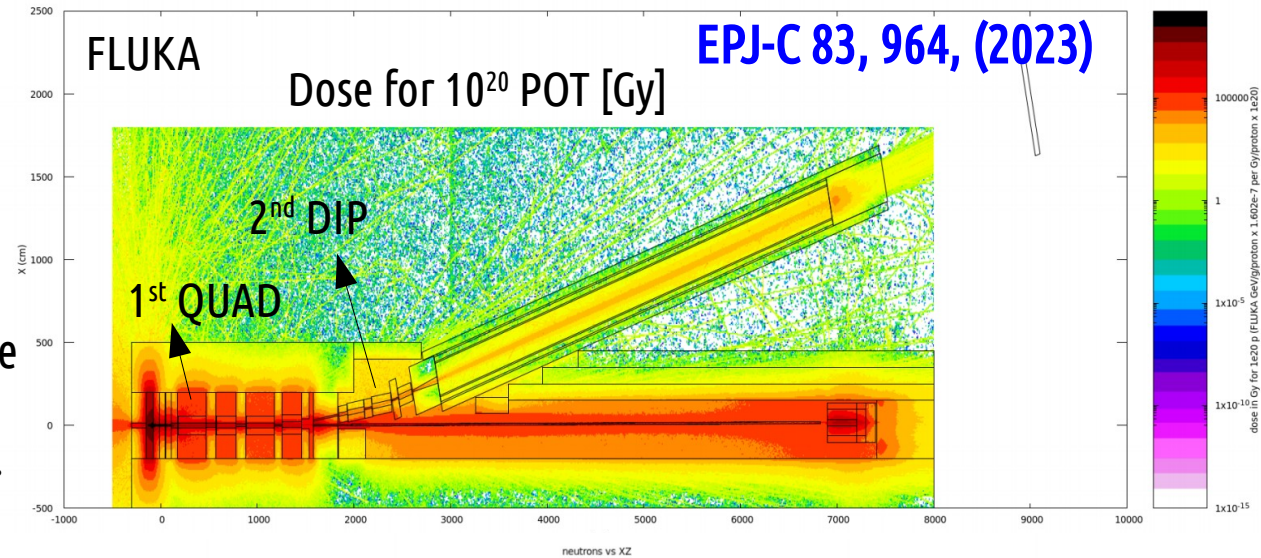
Simulation: optics optimization (TRANSPORT). Design: G4beamline.
Irradiation (FLUKA). Systematics (GEANT4, fully parametric, access to particle history).

Irradiation levels

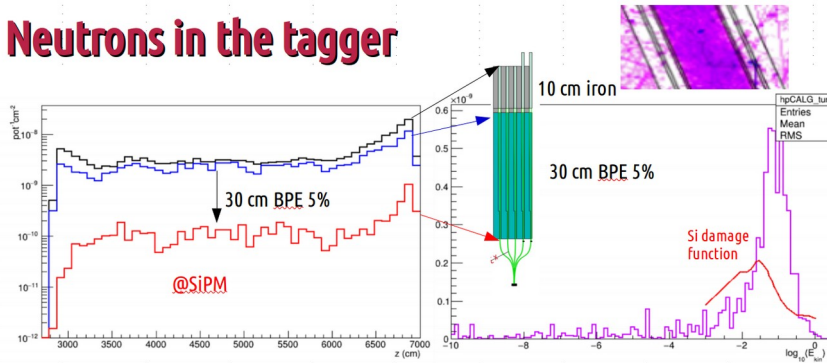
Dose is sustainable by magnets even in the hottest regions ($<300 \text{ kGy}/10^{20} \text{ pot}$).

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.

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Neutrons in the tagger



Particle budget and rates

Entering the tagger:

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

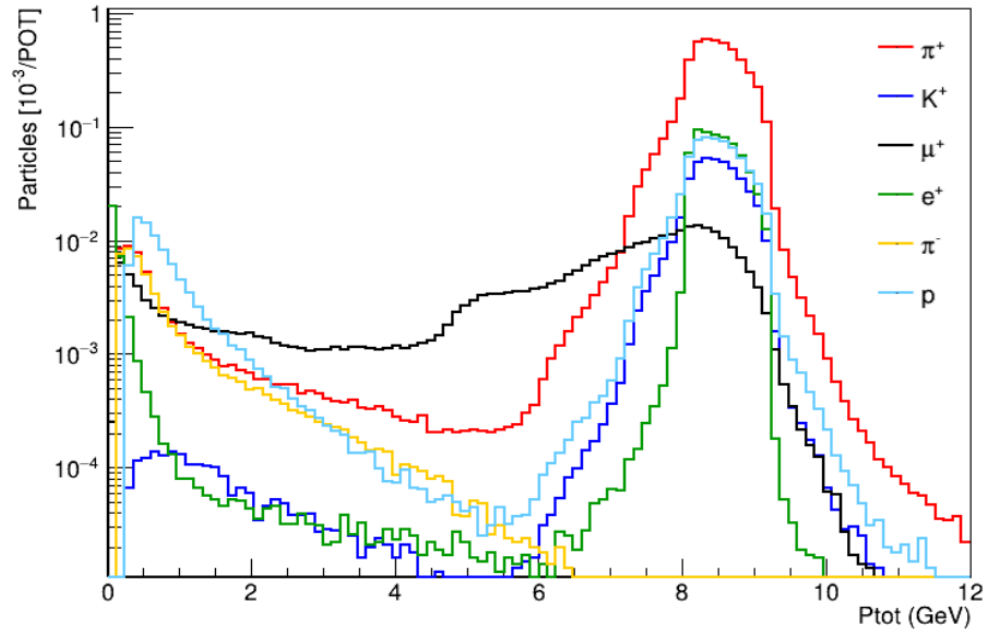
$$0.4 \times 10^{-3} K^+/\text{pot}$$

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)

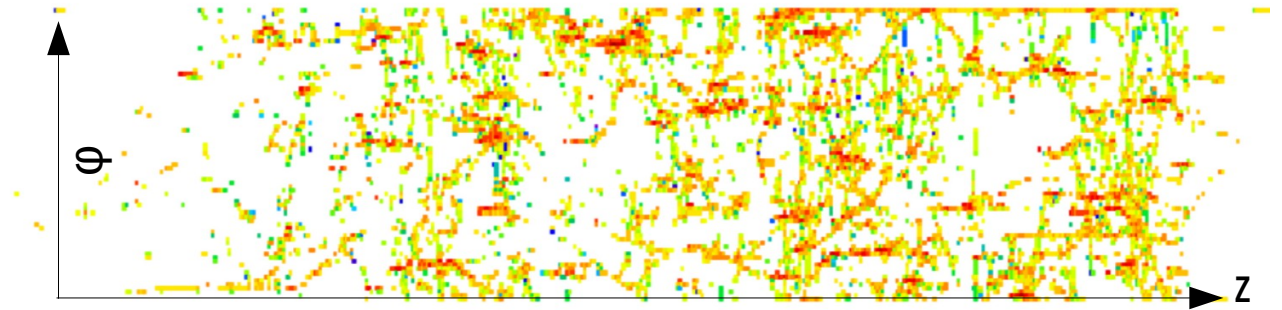
Pile-up mostly non critical but has to be treated.

→ 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



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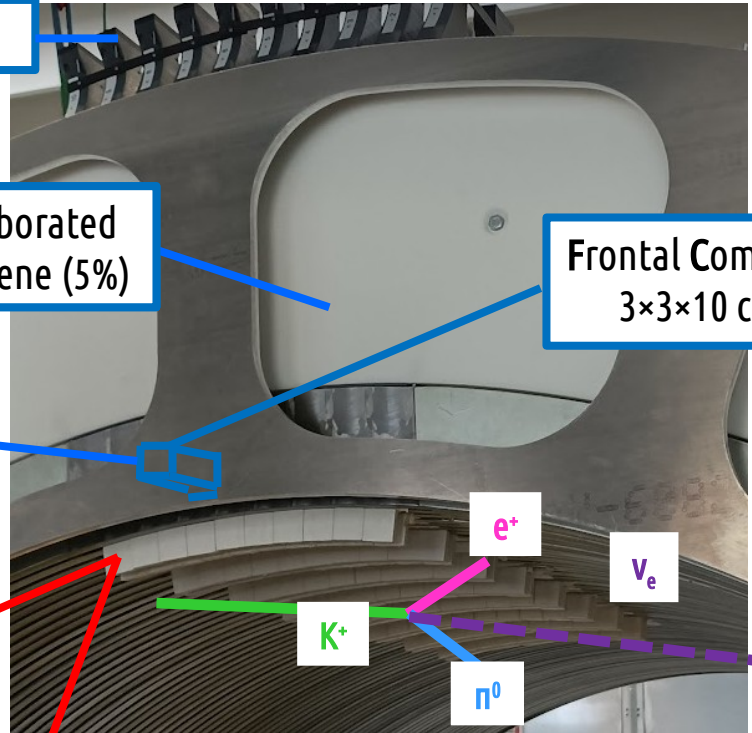
The lepton tagger

Light r/o (SiPM)

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

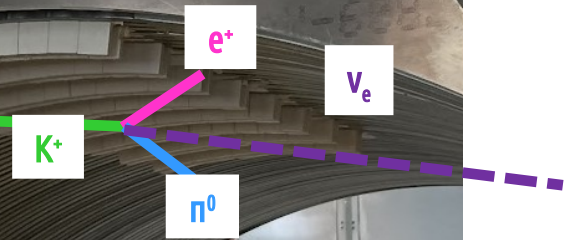
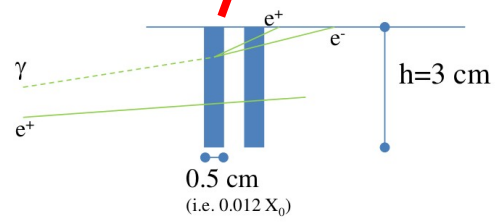
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Frontal Compact Module
 $3 \times 3 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3 - 4.3 X_0$



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

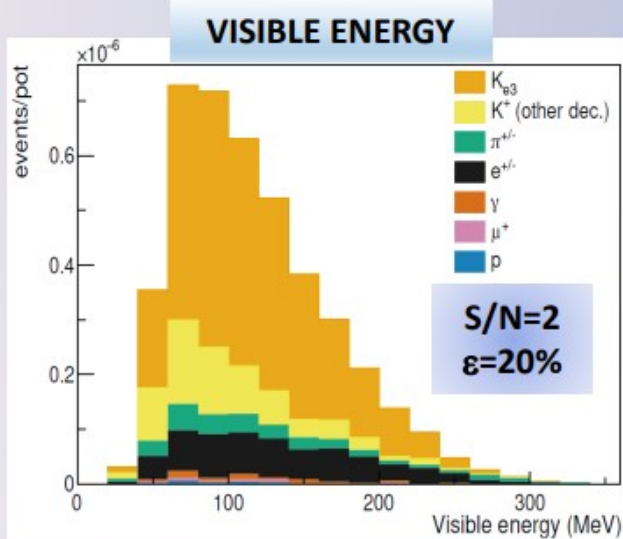
photon veto doublets



Lepton event by event reconstruction

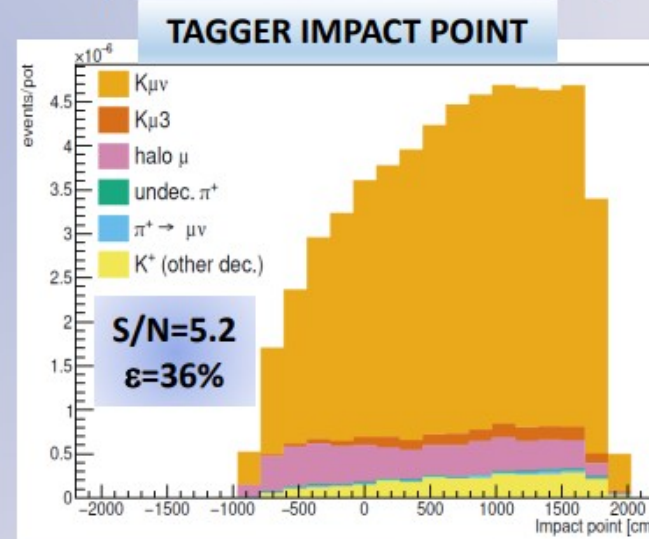
GEANT4 simulation. Event building: clustering of cells in space and time (accounting for **pile-up**) → PID with a Multilayer Perceptron

K_{e3} positrons → constrain ν_e



Efficiency ~half geometrical

$K_{\mu 2}$ muons → constrain ν_μ



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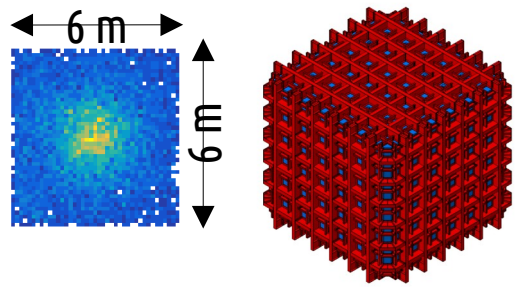
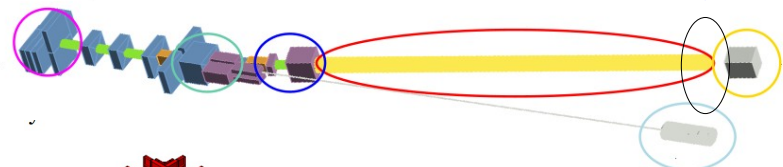
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$\nu_{\mu/e}$ CC spectra at detector

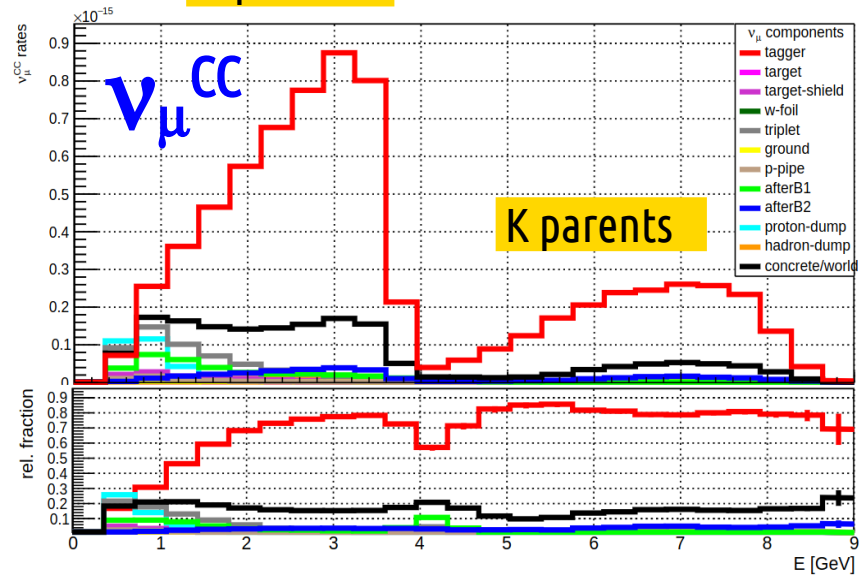
500t @ 50 m after the hadron dump
 @ 400 GeV \rightarrow $0.7 \text{ M} \nu_{\mu}^{\text{CC}}$ with $1e20$ POT

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

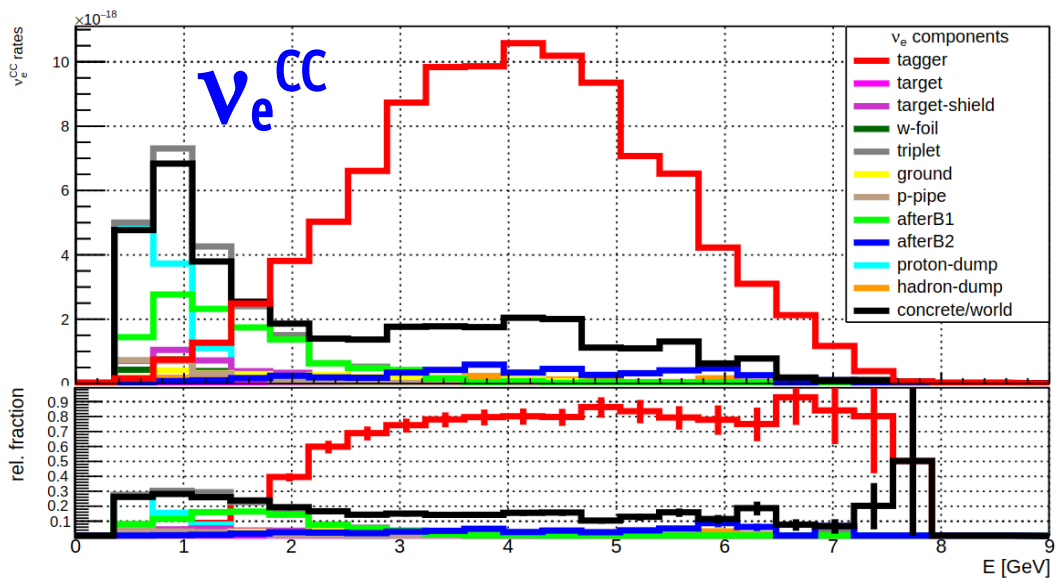


The protoDUNE(s) could be such a detector (an evident asset for a possible siting at CERN)

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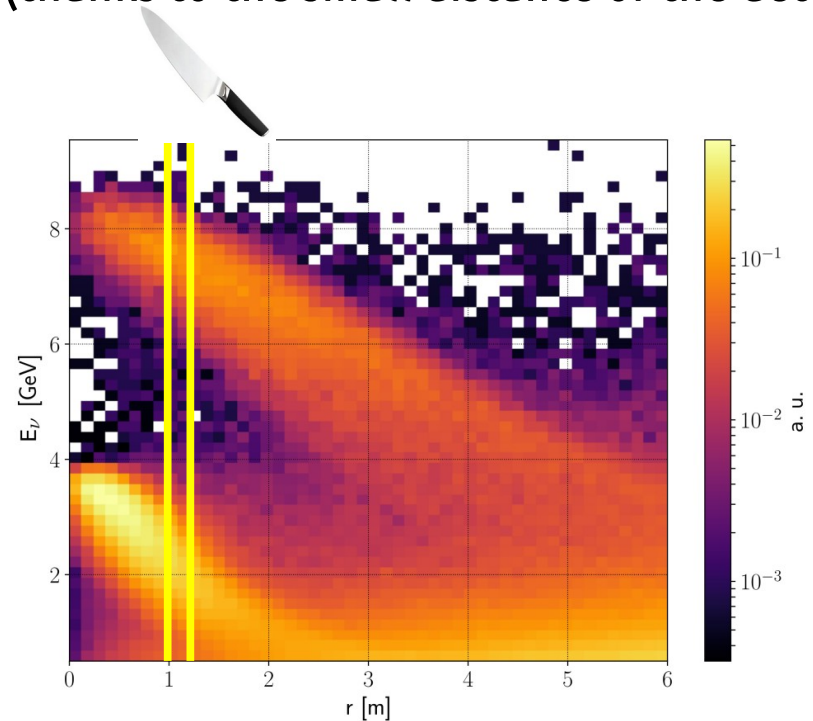
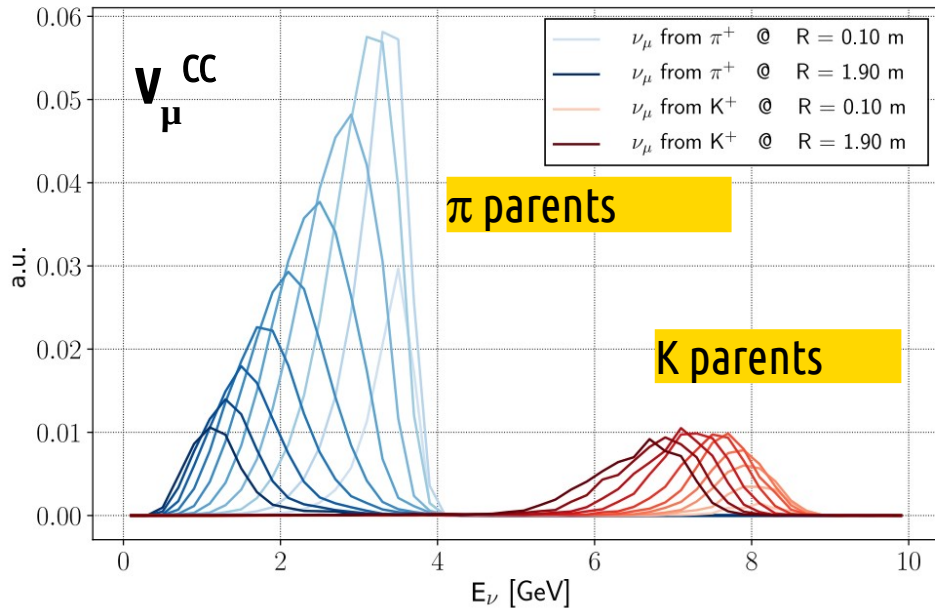


ν_e^{CC}



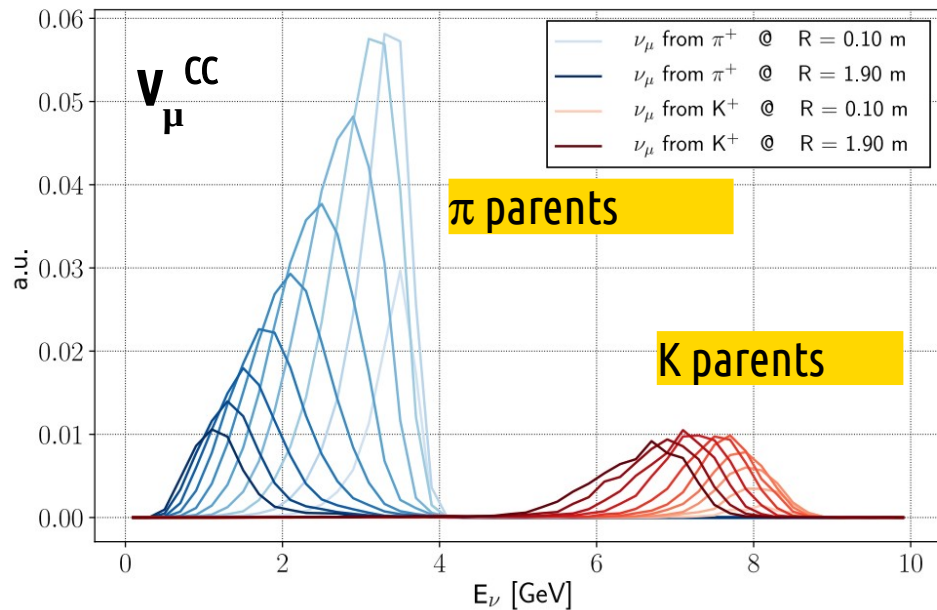
ν_μ fluxes decomposition: NBOA (~PRISM)

“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) !

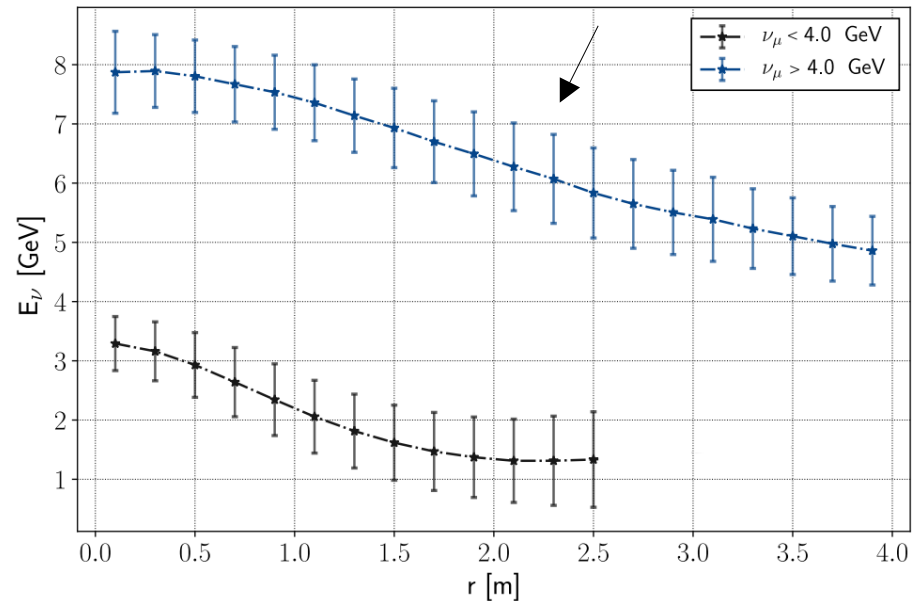


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Error bands visualize the rms of the energy distributions

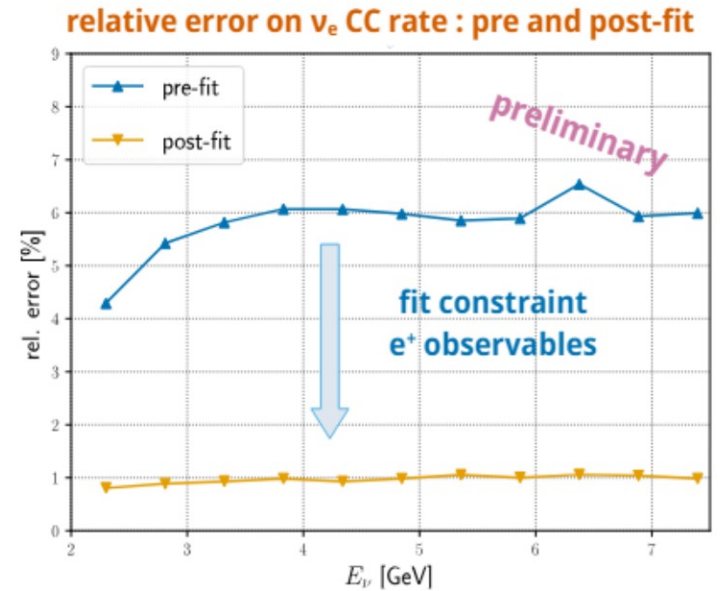
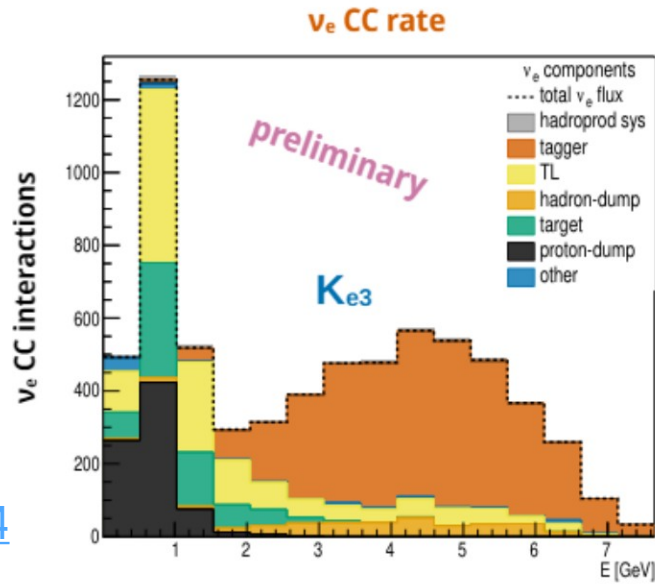


Precision on the neutrino flux

- 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 ν_μ and ν_e drops from 6% to 1% using positrons only. Further improvements expected by adding the reco. muons

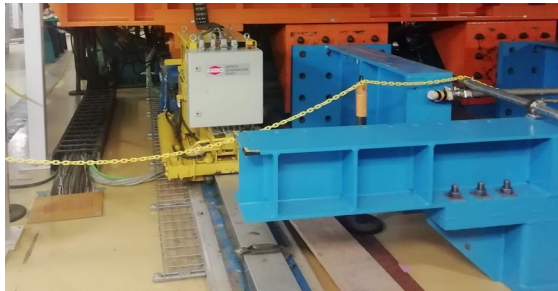
[F. Bramati poster at Neutrino2024](#)



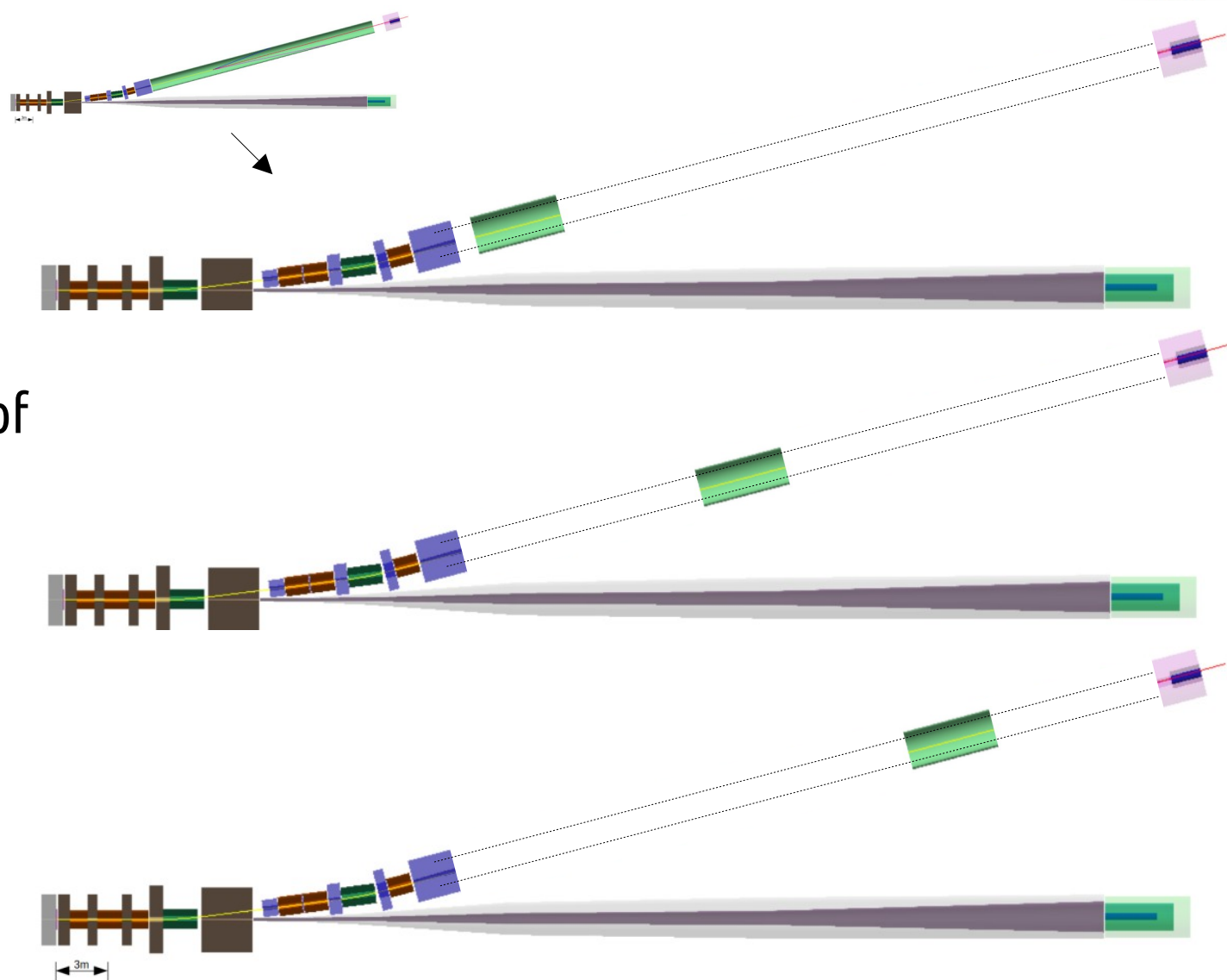
In progress: add detector effects, magnet currents, beam component, material budget uncertainty, and exploit the additional constraints from reconstructed muons (paper in preparation)

An option?

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



UA1/NOMAD/T2K magnet rail system



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 - **Time tagging scenarios**

t-tagging for interacting ν

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).

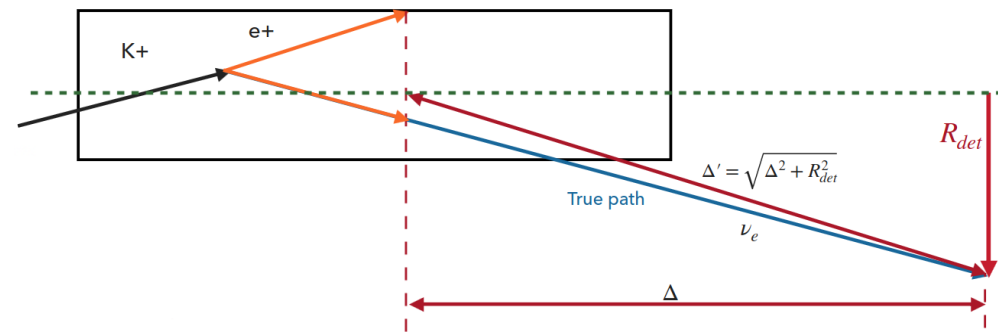
→ Time correlation btw K_{e3} e^+ and ν_e candidates with the full simulation (reconstruction, backgrounds) →

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

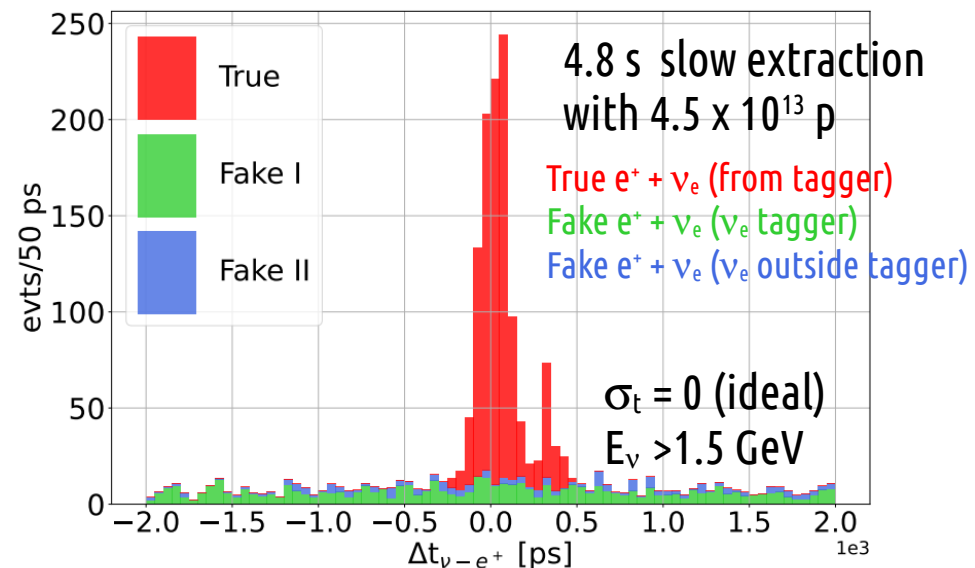
(*) already corrected for the position of the neutrino vertex

(**) could improve decreasing the tagger radius

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

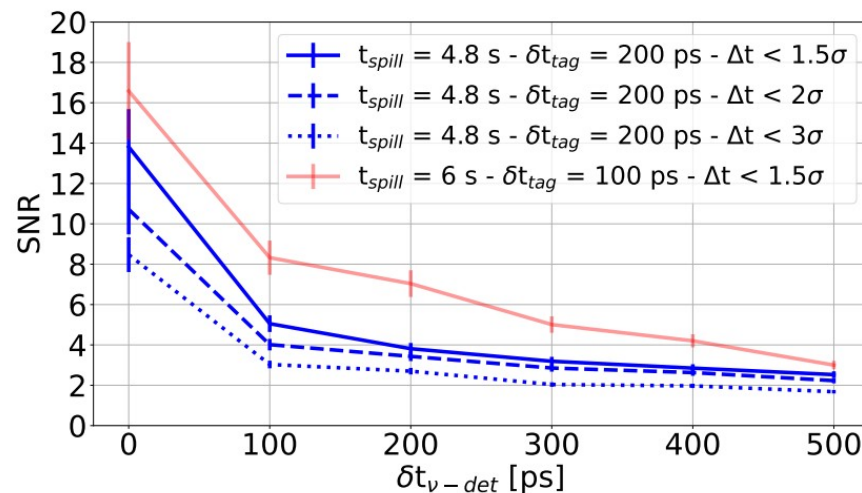
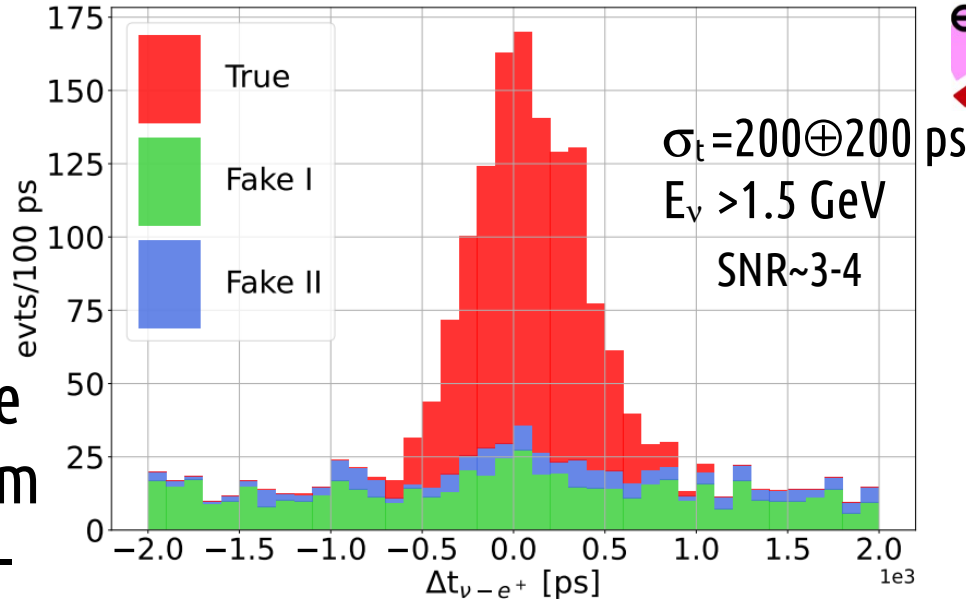


ENUBET & time-tagging

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

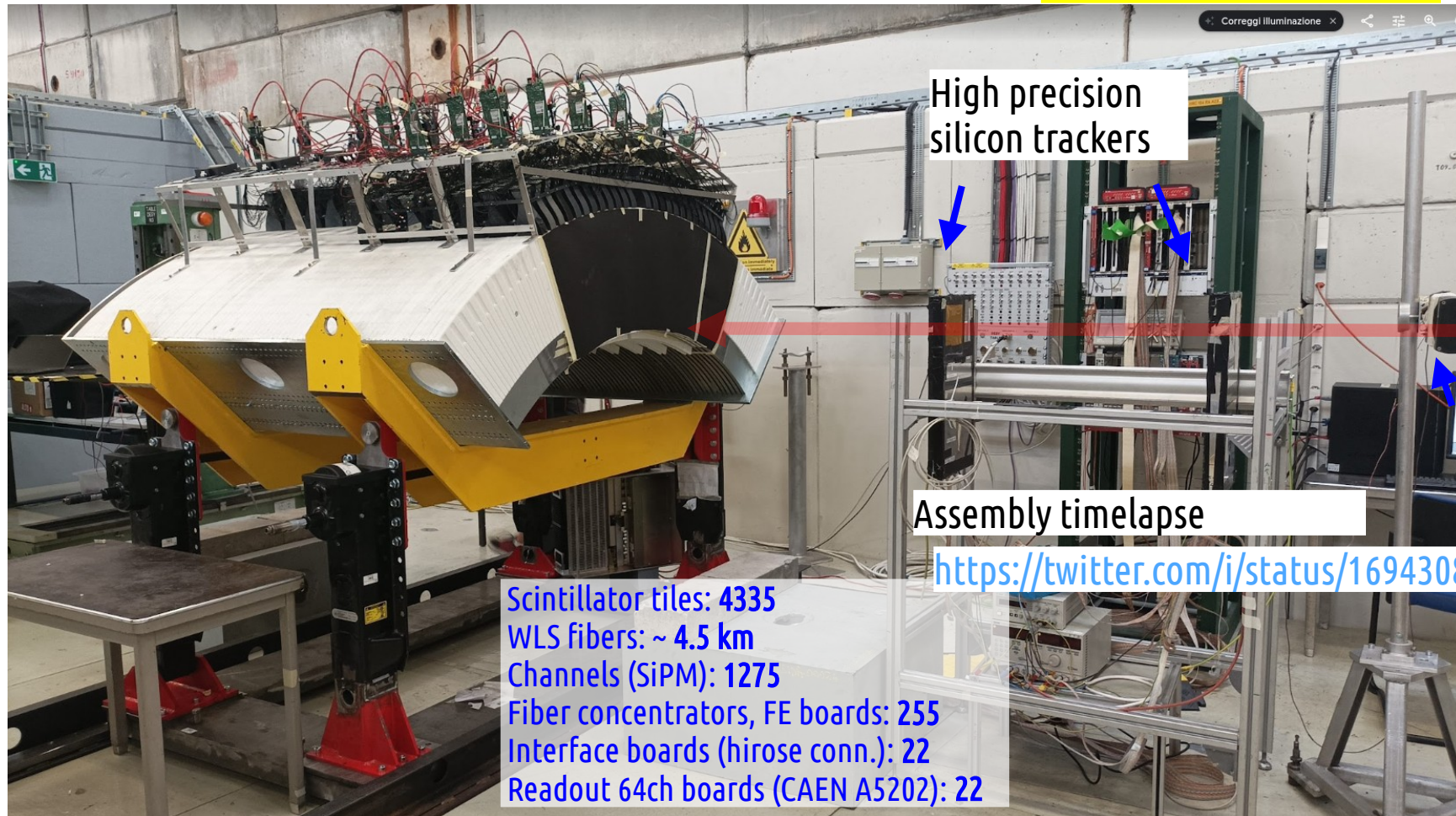
Precise value depends on σ_t of tagger and neutrino detector and the slow extraction spill duration



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The ENUBET tagger demonstrator

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High precision
silicon trackers

e, π, μ (0.5-15 GeV)

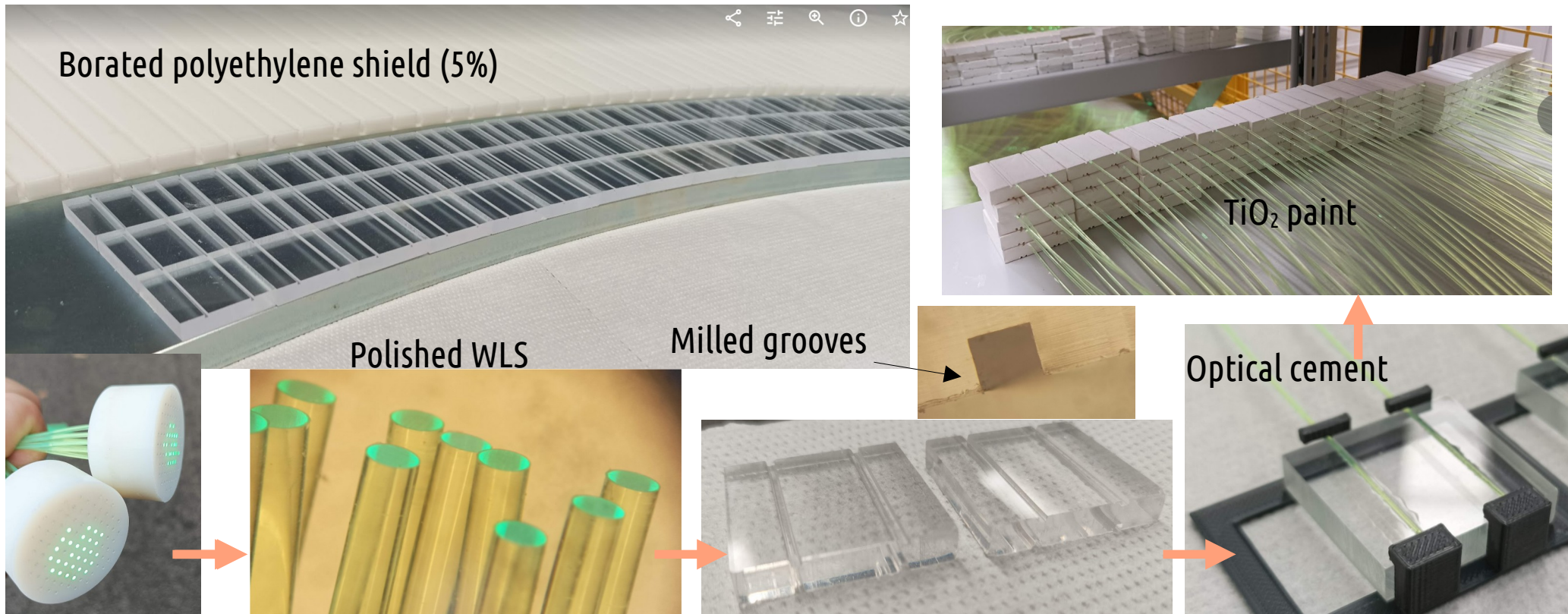
Trigger scint.

Assembly timelapse

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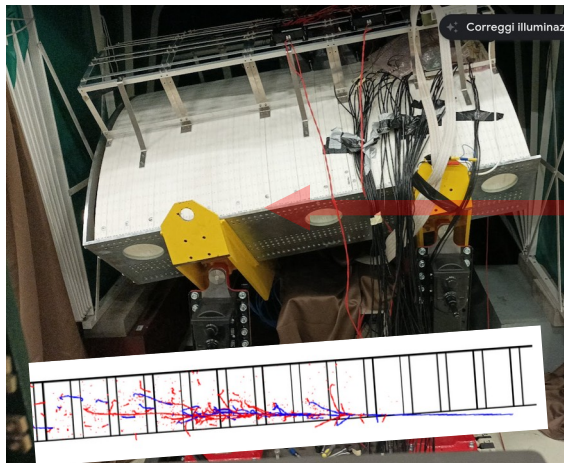
Scintillator tiles: 4335
WLS fibers: ~ 4.5 km
Channels (SiPM): 1275
Fiber concentrators, FE boards: 255
Interface boards (hirose conn.): 22
Readout 64ch boards (CAEN A5202): 22

The demonstrator detector technology

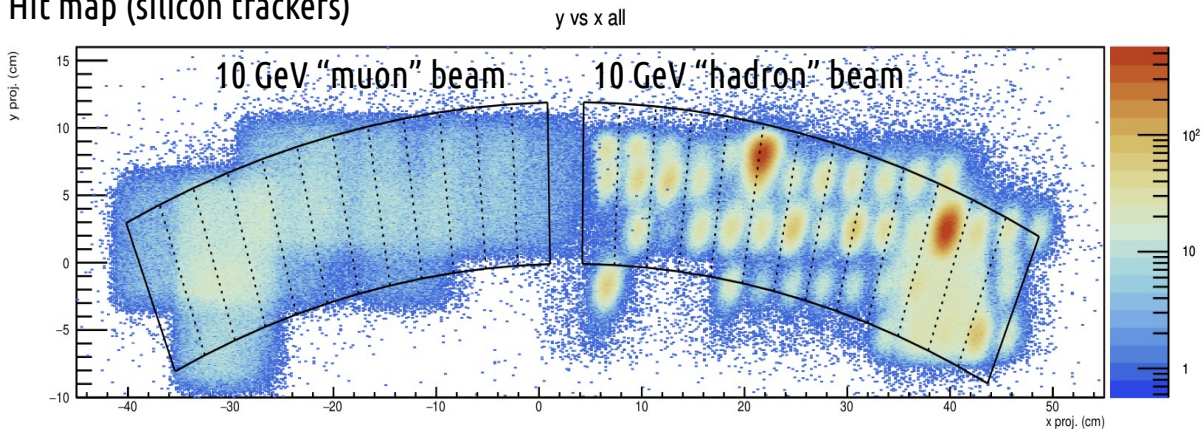


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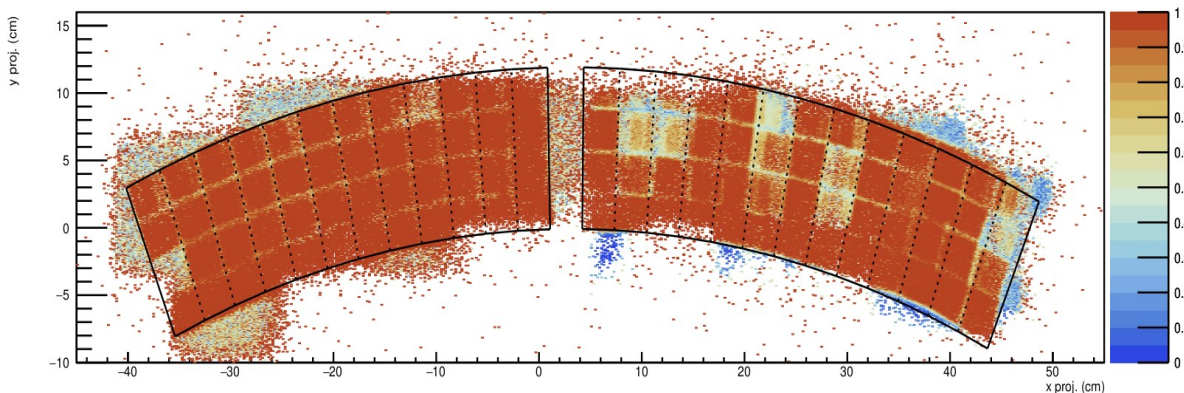
200 mrad tilt run



Hit map (silicon trackers)



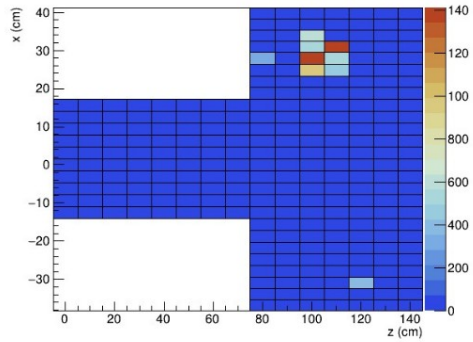
Efficiency map



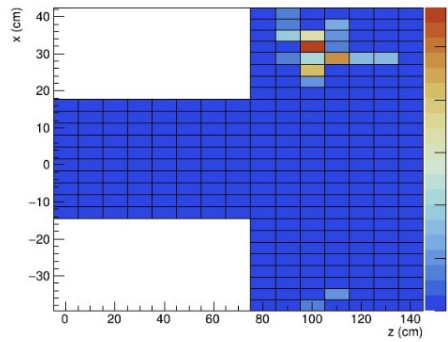
Event display (10 GeV hadrons and muons)

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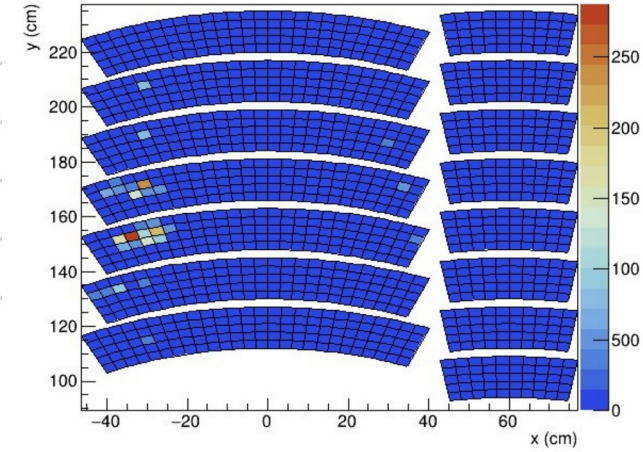
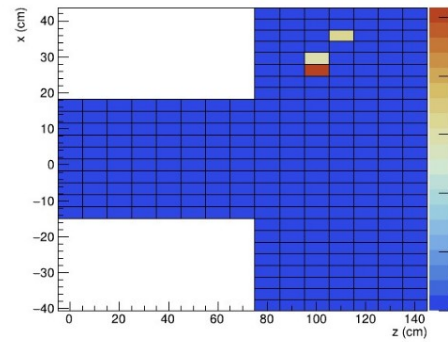
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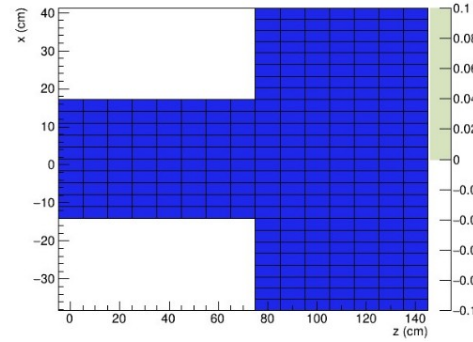
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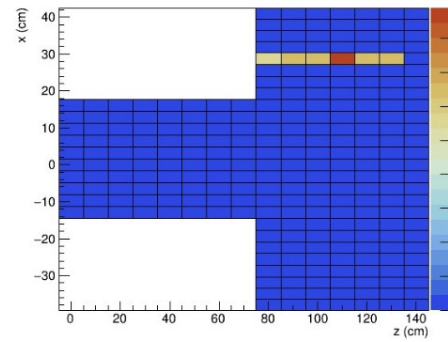
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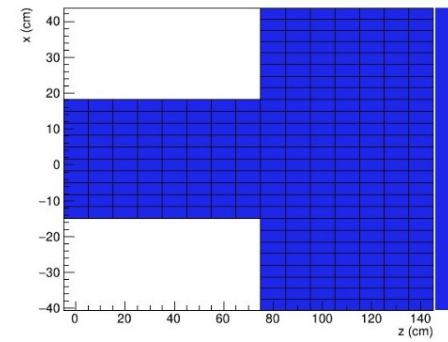
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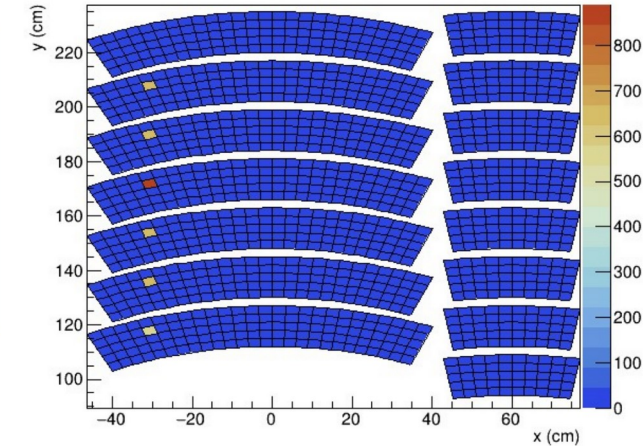
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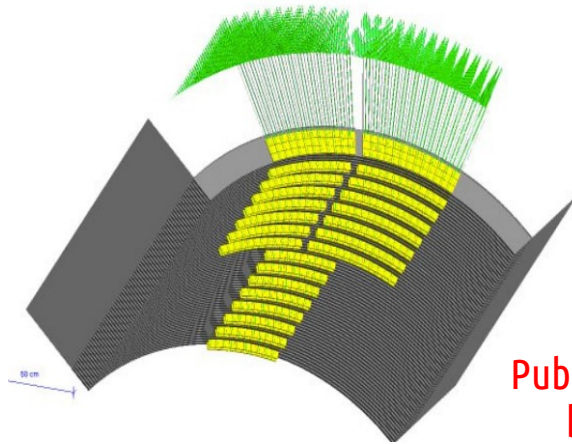
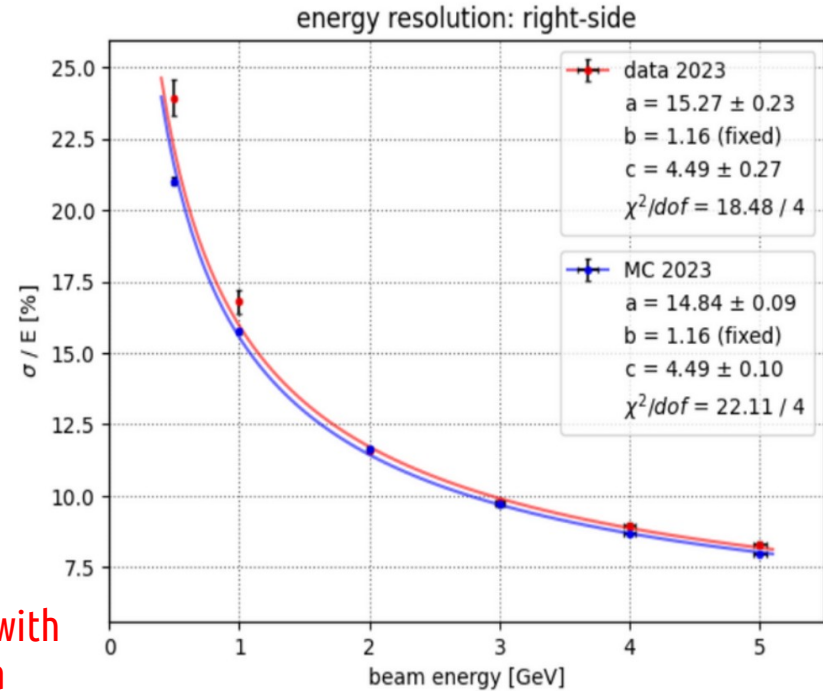
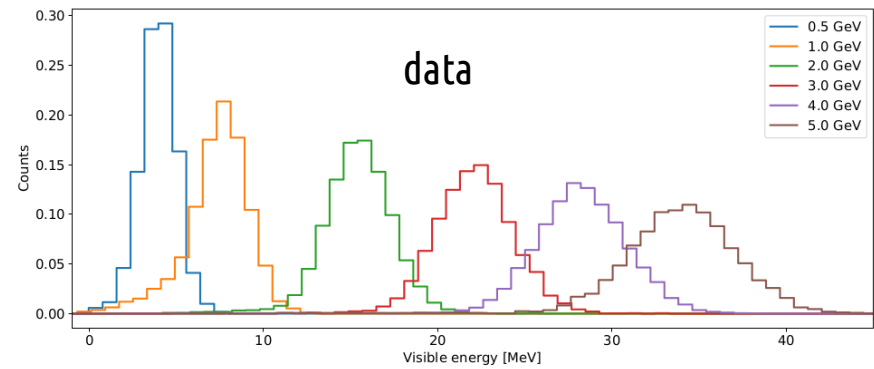
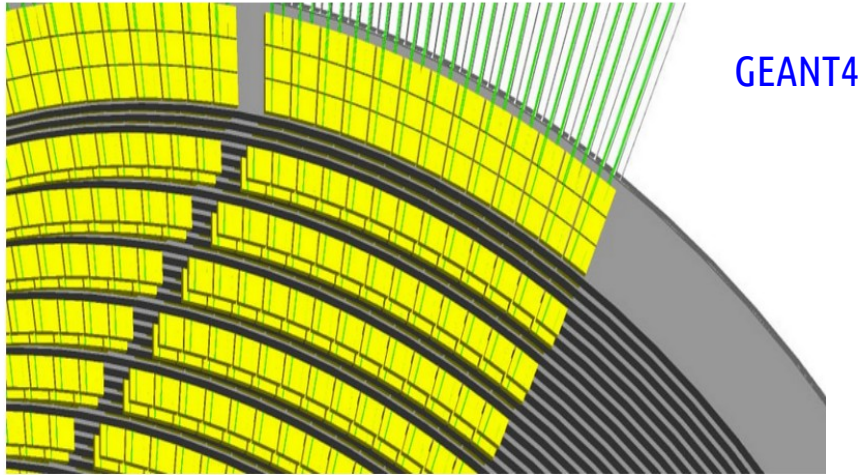
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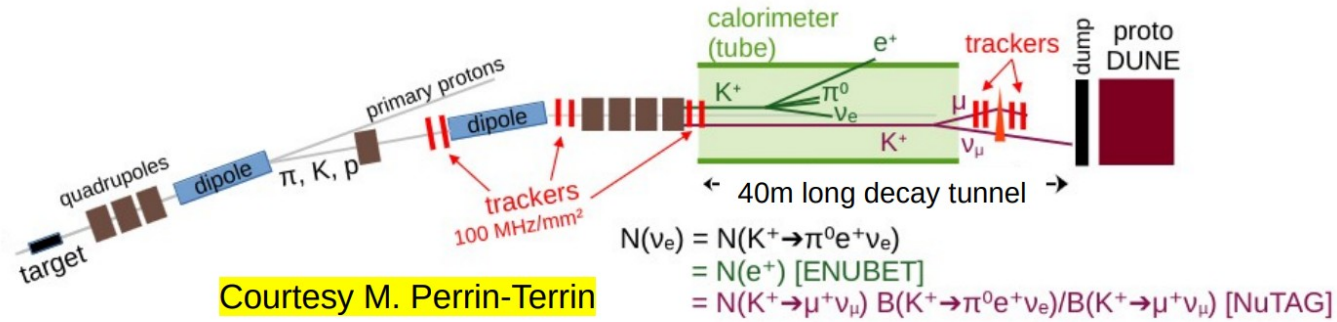
Electron energy resolution



Publication in the pipeline with both 2022 and 2023 data

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- Going even beyond: NuTAG (tracking of neutrino parents)

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	$10^{14} n_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$	2 MHz/mm ²
HL-LHC	before 2028	$10^{16-17} n_{eq}/\text{cm}^2$	10-100 MHz/mm ²

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

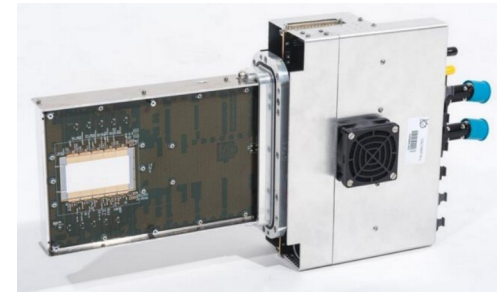
$p_{\pi/K}$ (parent momentum): tracking before and after a dipole
 θ_ν (with the interaction vertex in the detector)

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

Large BR statistics: low-intensity runs.

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

If μ can also be tracked: predict the ν position -> Relax time matching



Could provide E_ν resolutions at the % level. Studies progressing.

Challenges: upgrade of NA62 GigaTracker, reconstruction.

A. Baratto-Roldan et al. arXiv: 2401.17068

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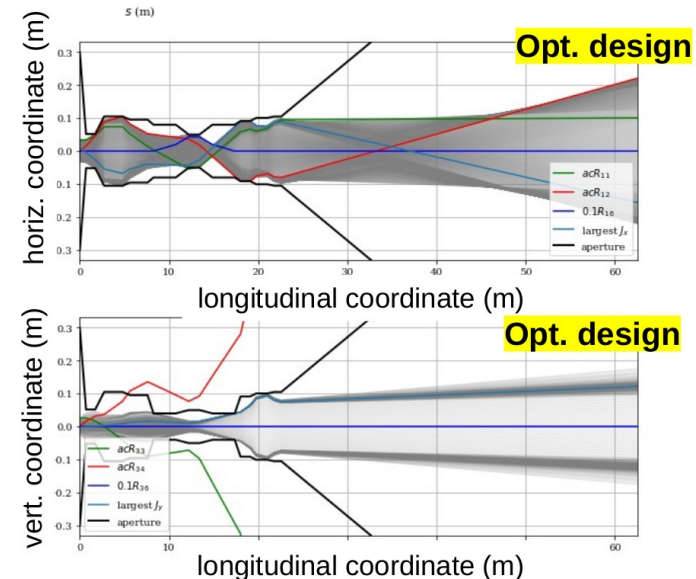
4 directions:

- Improved design. Compatible with **ENUBET & NuTAG**
- **Compatible with the CERN fixed target programme** (more ν with less p)
- with fluxes down to **O(1) GeV \rightarrow 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) \rightarrow multi-objective optimization, CNGS-like target, shorter line \rightarrow

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



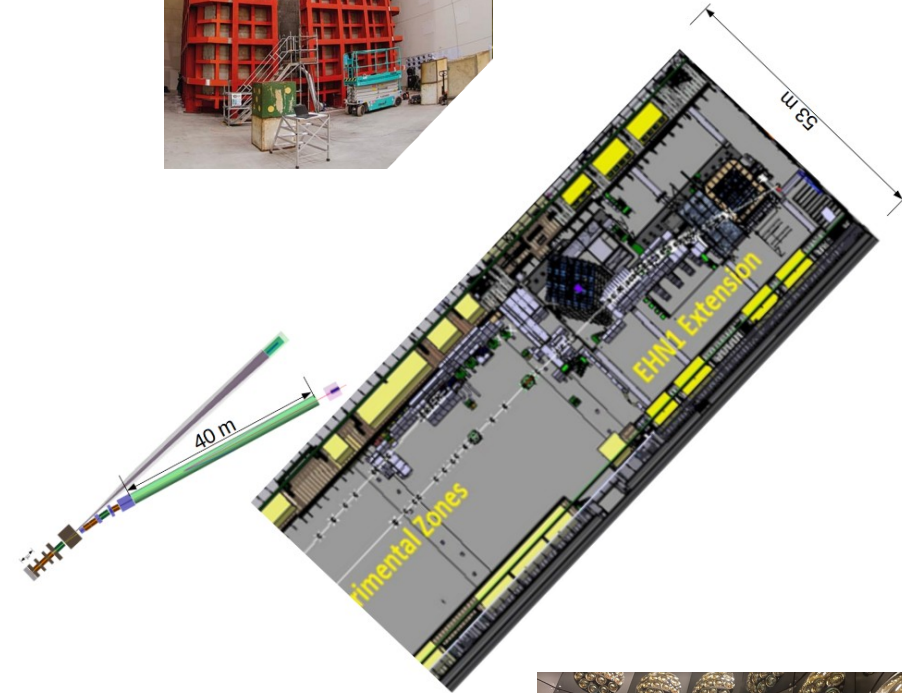
PBC-SBN perspectives

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 ~ 5 years in a detector of similar size to the ProtoDUNEs are feasible. Compatibly with SHiP.

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

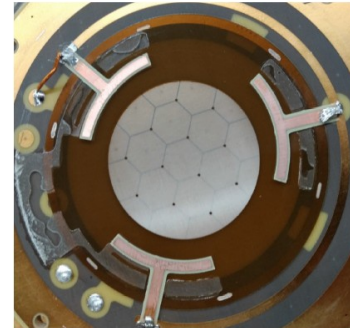
Other areas capable of accommodating detectors of similar size are being considered (also a WCh. detector \sim "WCTE++" would be extremely interesting)



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Forward monitoring with PICOSEC Micromegas

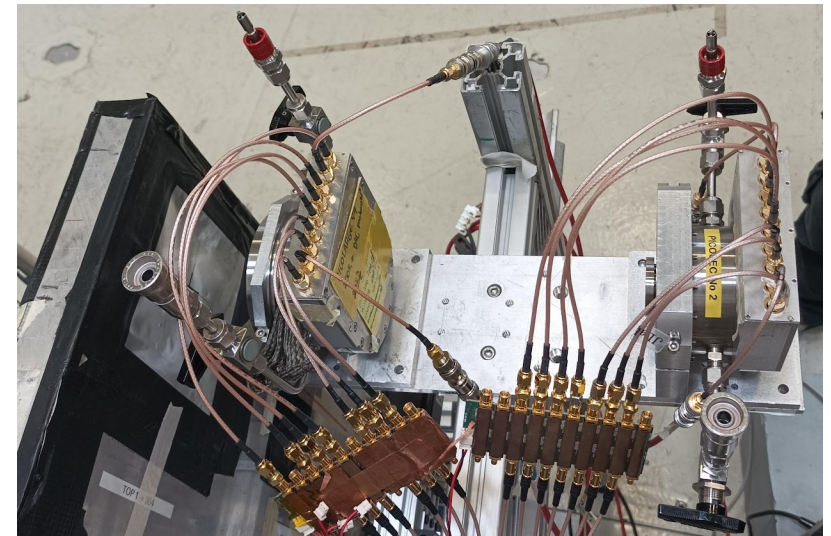
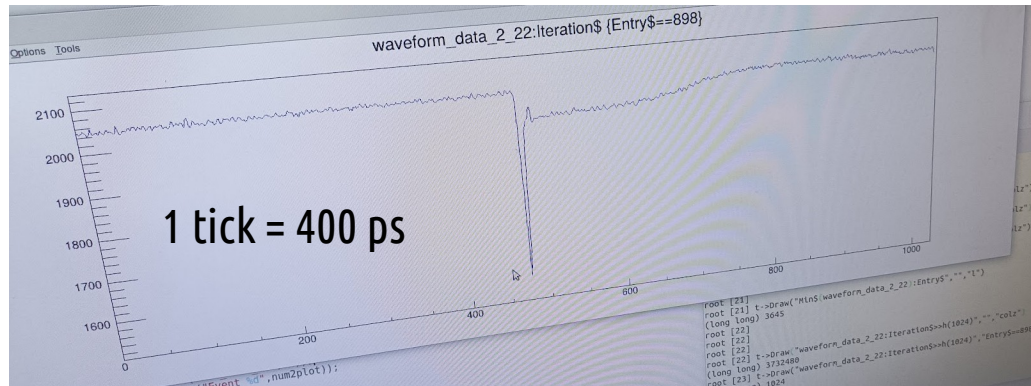
- Instrument also the forward region: observe μ from π decays \rightarrow constrain low-E ν_μ component
- Instrumented hadron dump PIMENT (Picosecond MicromEgas for eNubeT), ANR2022-25
- Prototype tested with the ENUBET demonstrator, at T9 in Aug. 2024 \rightarrow few 10s of ps resolutions achieved
-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



19 channel anode \square 1 cm

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

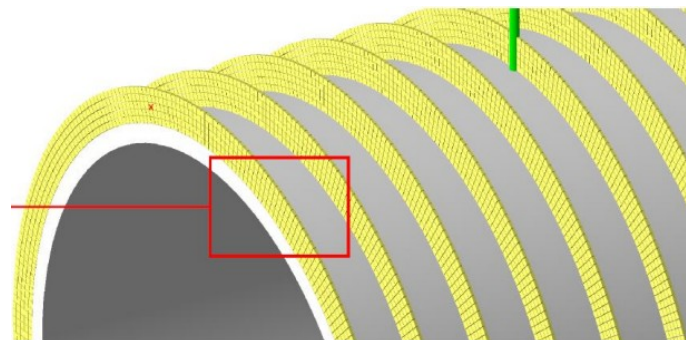
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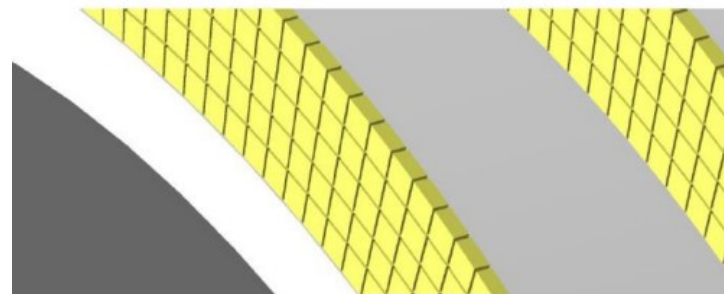
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- **MNB@ESS**

A low- E_ν monitored beam at ESS ?

- [MNB@ESS](#) WP6 of the ESSnuSB
 - previous talk by [Tamer Tolba](#)
- $E_p = 2 \text{ GeV}$. No K and π 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 1cm^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](#)



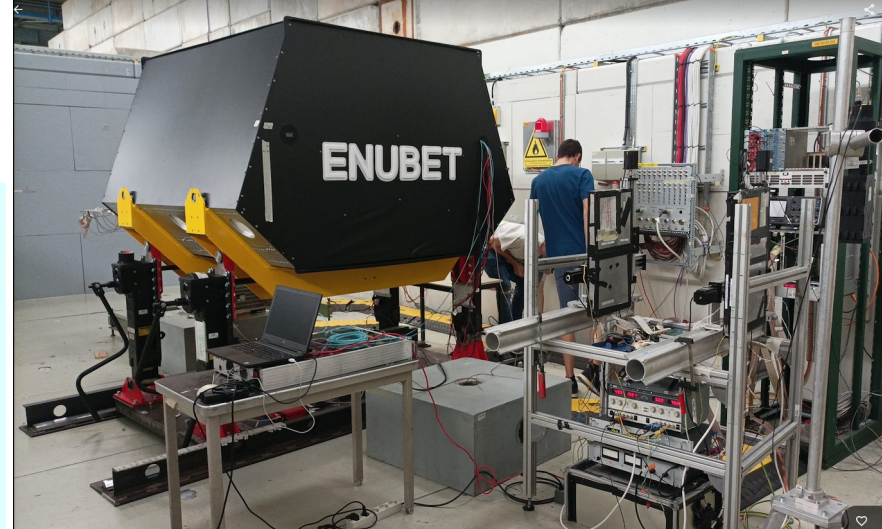
	ENUBET@CERN	MNB@ESS	Notes
Proton driver	400 GeV/c	2 GeV	At ESS we exploit pion decays and muon decays in flight [no K]
Secondaries	8.5 GeV/c	About 1-2 GeV	
Proton extraction	2 s	2.86 ms	This is a key item WP6 has assessed in 2023
Decay in flight of muons	Negligible	It is the main source of ν_e at the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

Conclusions

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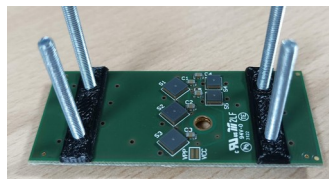
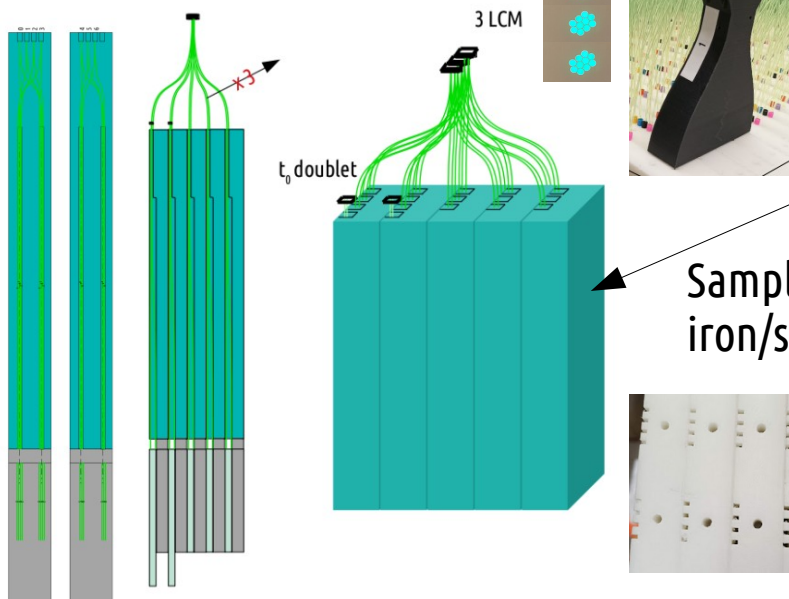


- Next two years will be crucial NP06/ENUBET
- Preparing for a dedicated **workshop Neutrinos@CERN** organized by PBC/Neutrino Platform at CERN in 23-24 January 2025
- and a **contribution to the ESPPU** process starting in spring 2025 (“European Strategy for Particle Physics Update”).
- The importance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



The demonstrator

WLS routing



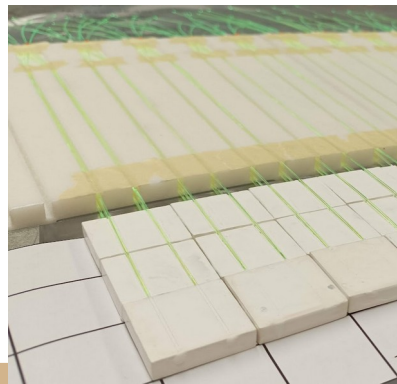
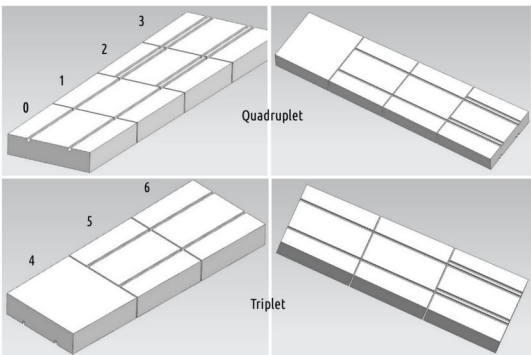
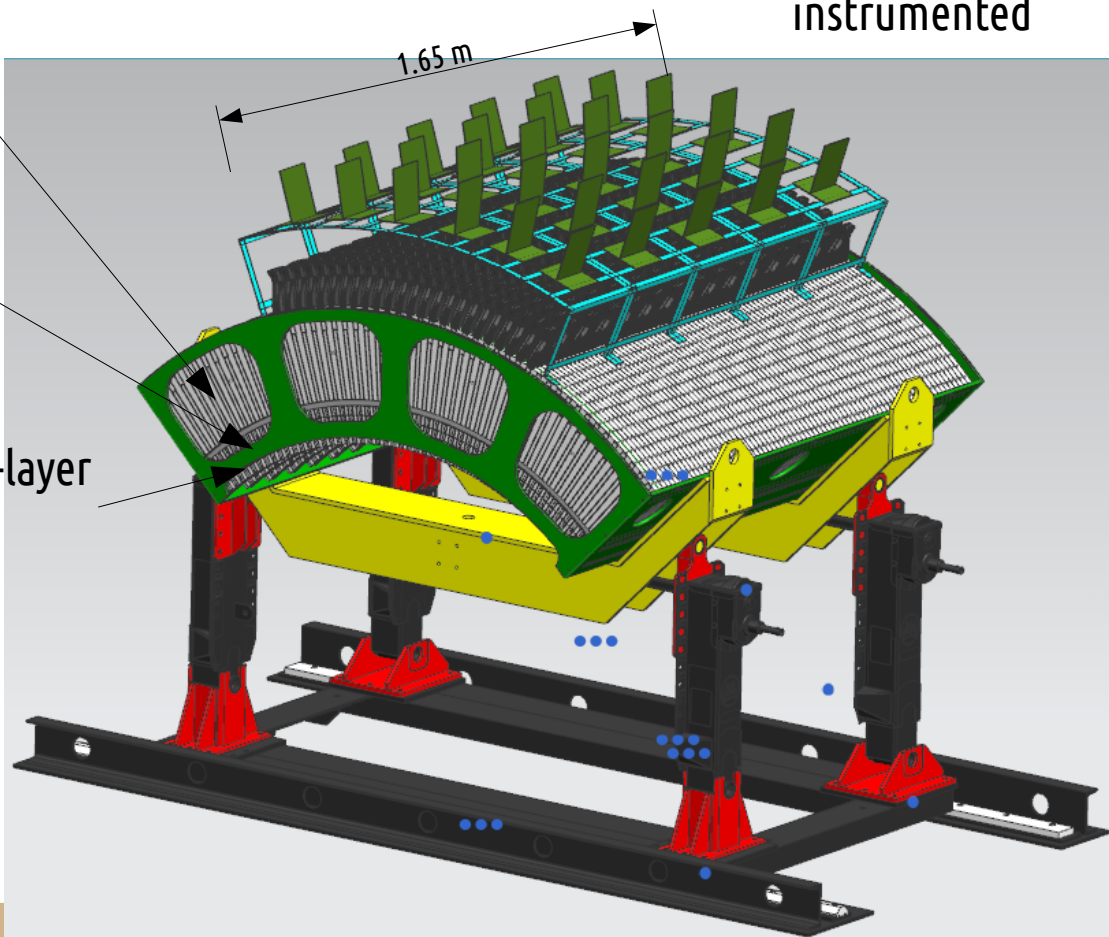
Demonstrate detector performance (PID, homogeneity, eff.), scalability, cost effectiveness...

90°, partially instrumented

BPE 5%

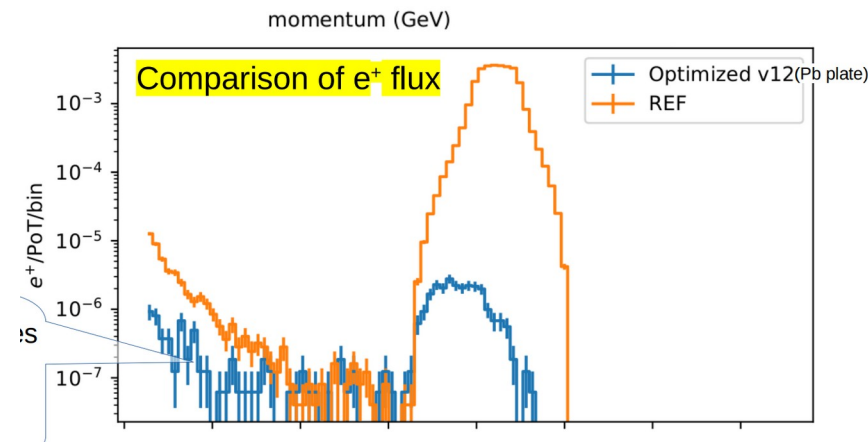
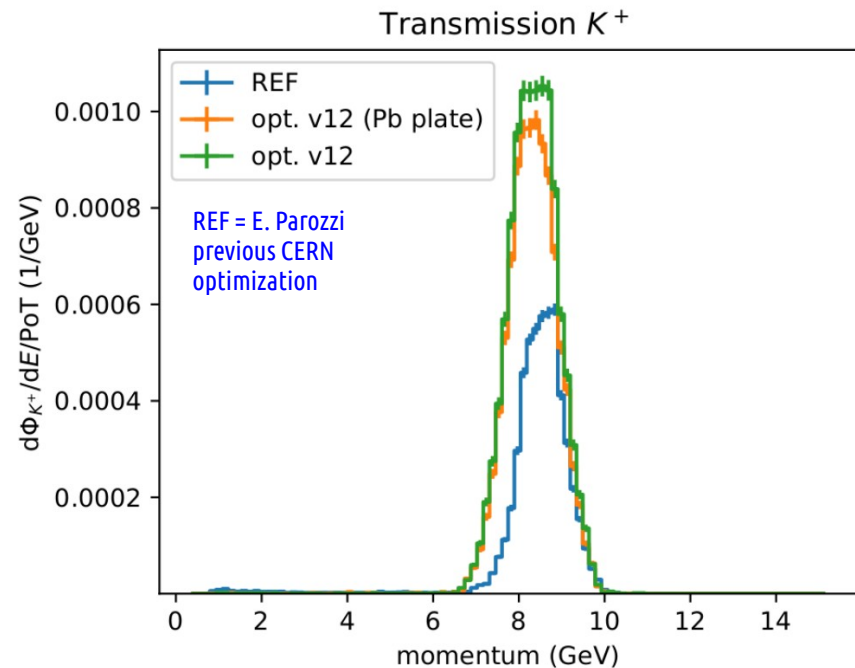
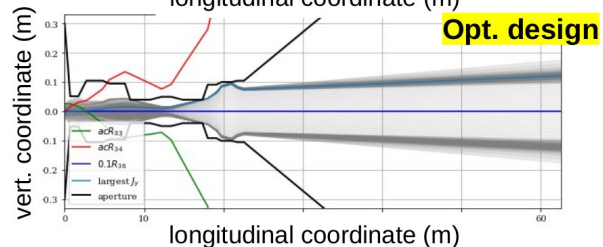
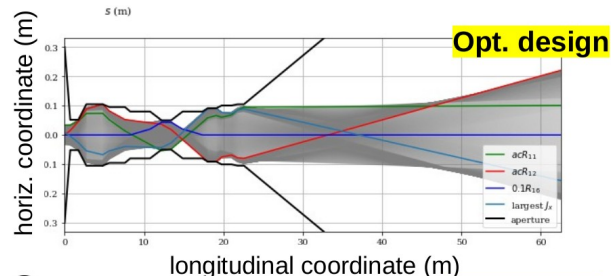
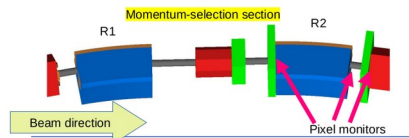
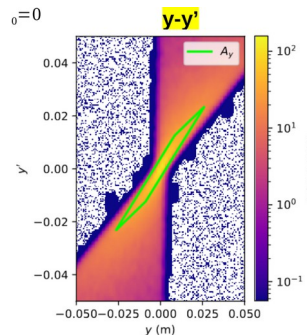
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t_0 -layer



The PBC-SBN beamline optimization

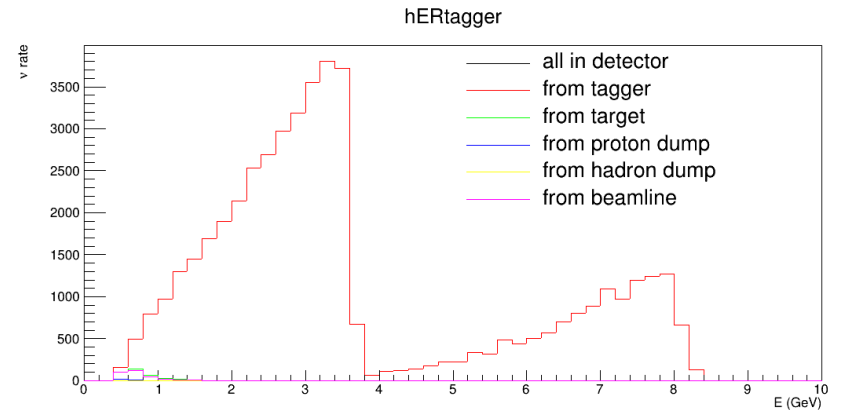
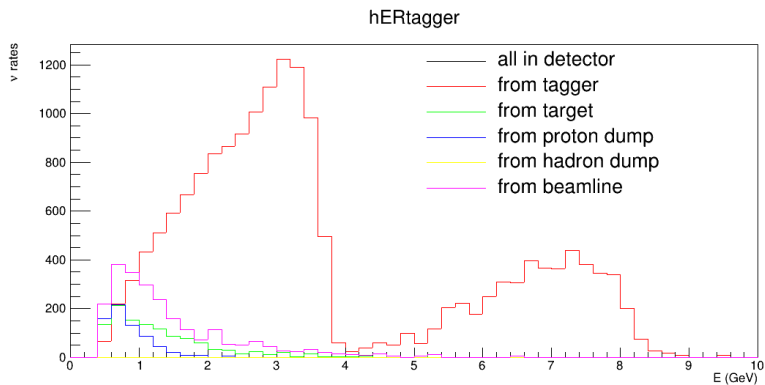
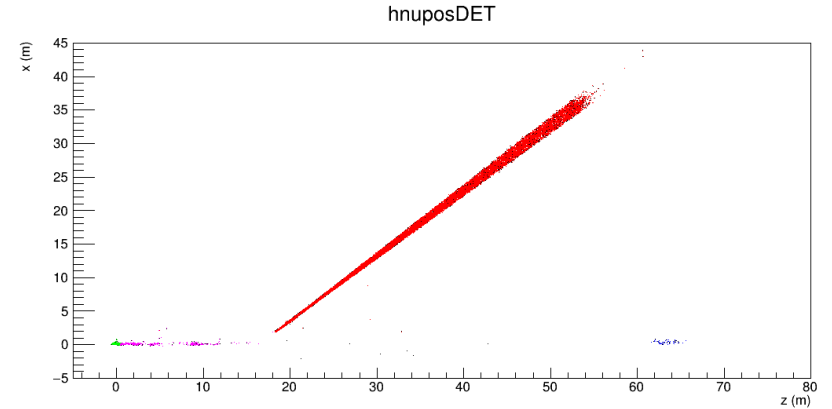
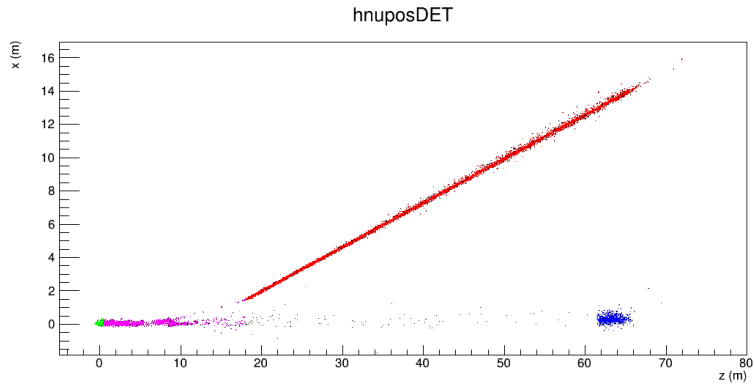
- [link to the talk at the PBC annual meeting by M. Jebramcik 26/03/24](#)
- Analyzed 16 targets, 7 drift spaces, 18 quad. parameters (6 magnets with different length, aperture, gradient) → **26 free parameters**
- **Multiple (3) objectives:** K⁺ & n⁺ transmission as possible and the beam size has to 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⁺
- **1.41x10⁻³ K⁺/pot → 3.5x improvement. Huge gain! → tuning of backgrounds with the full chain is in progress (→ iteration)**



ν_{μ}^{CC} spectra at detector

With a SC second dipole

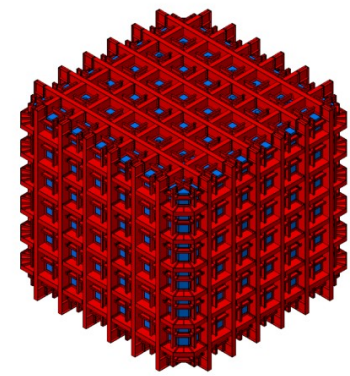
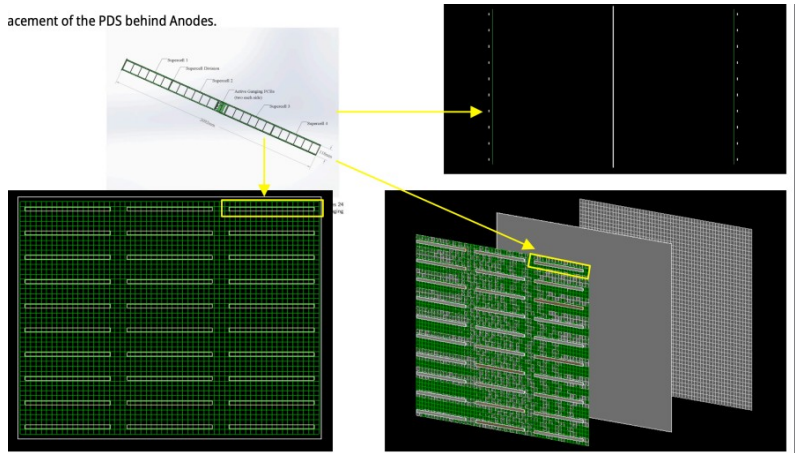
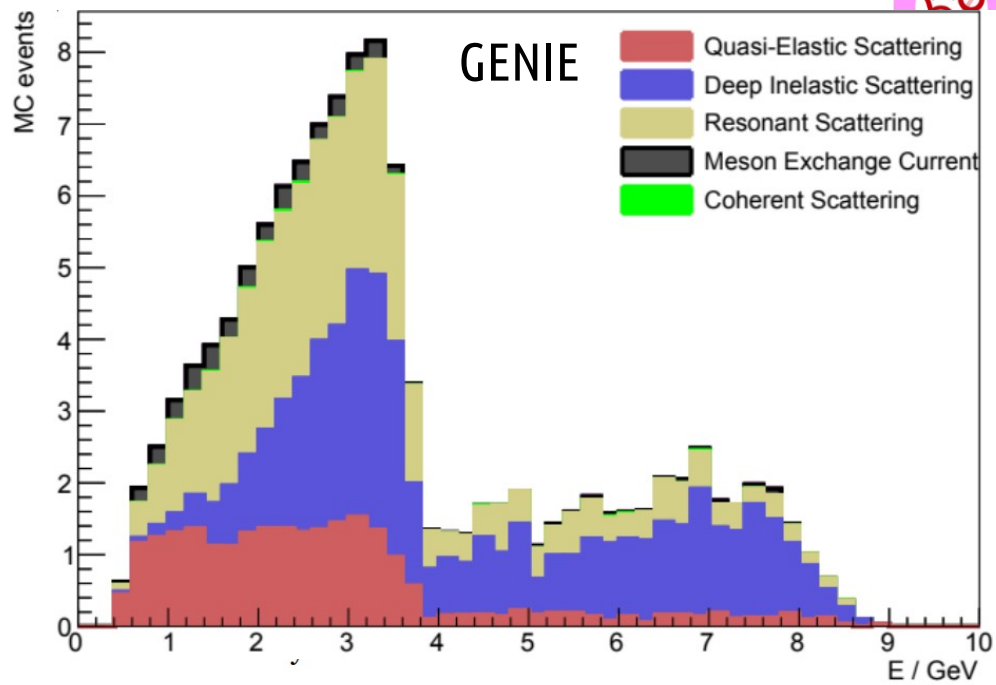
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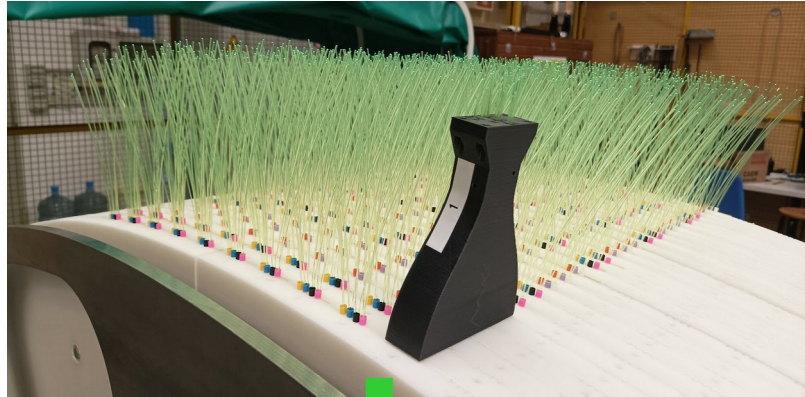
ν detector studies (ENUDET)

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:

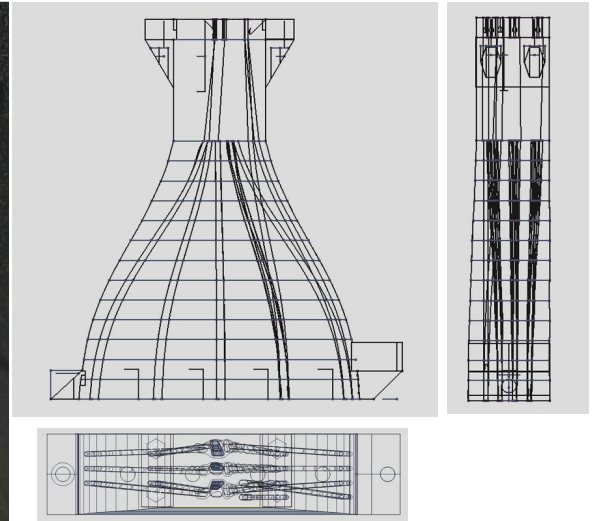
- The **achievable σ_t of ProtoDUNE** overhauled for DUNE Phase II. It will be equipped with an **enhanced photon detection system**. The corresponding light yield will improve time resolution for GeV neutrinos below 1 ns.
- **Simulation of neutrino interactions (GENIE) and reconstruction effects** (i.e.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



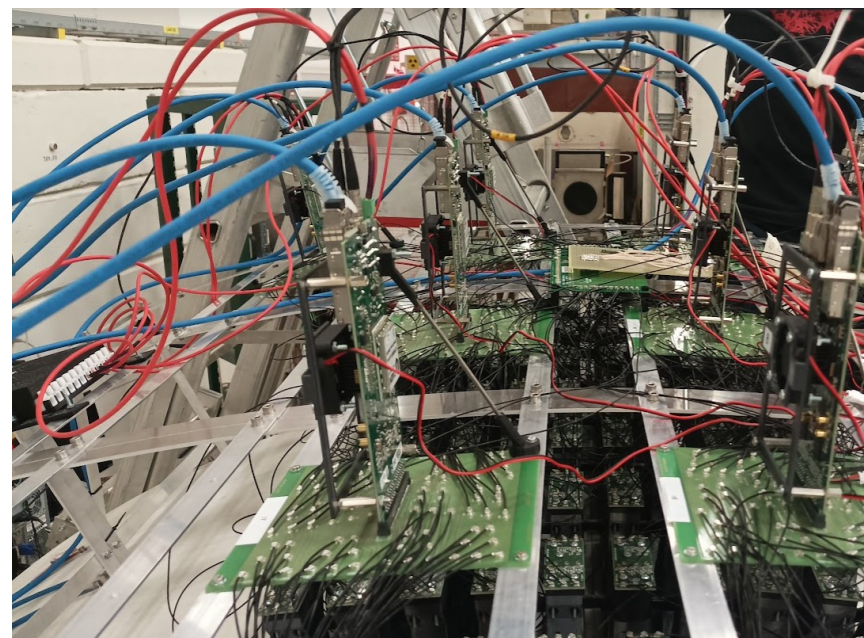
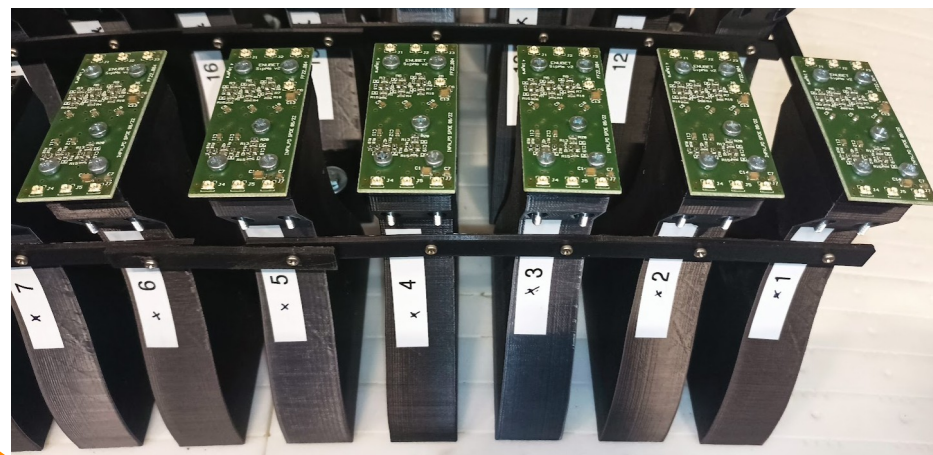
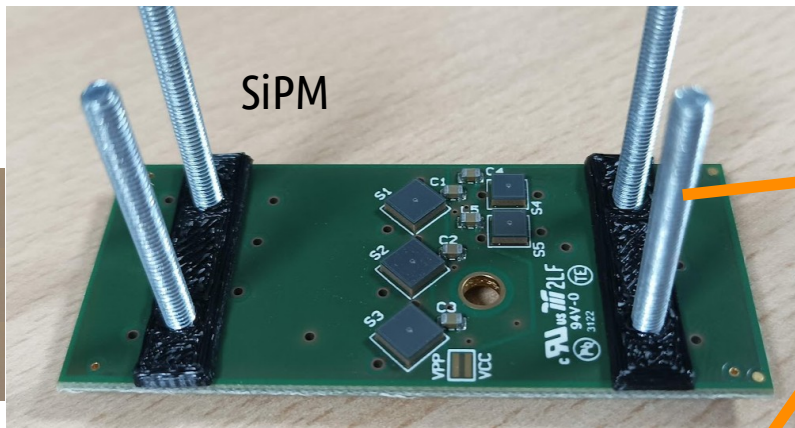
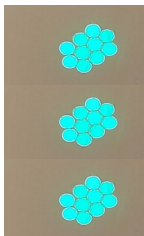
Fiber bundling with “concentrators”



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

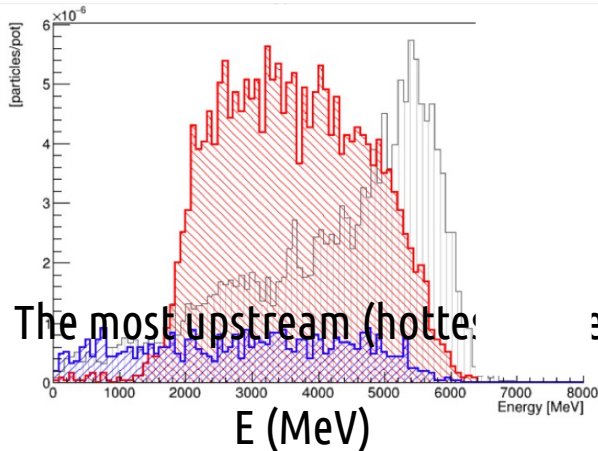
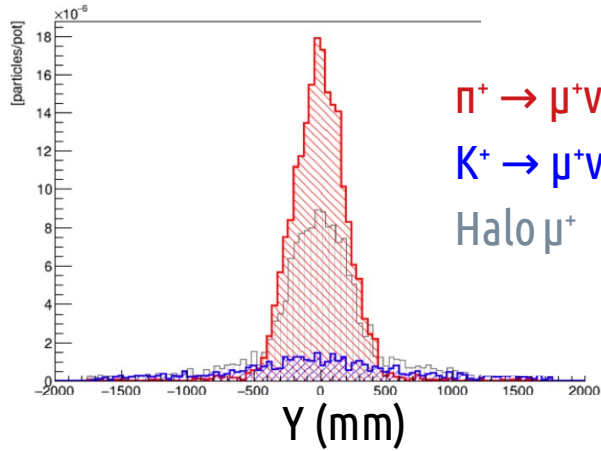


Readout scheme

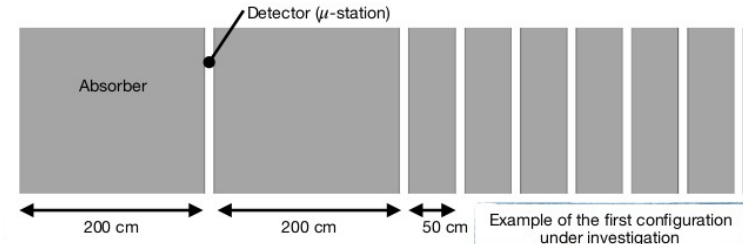


Forward region muons reconstruction

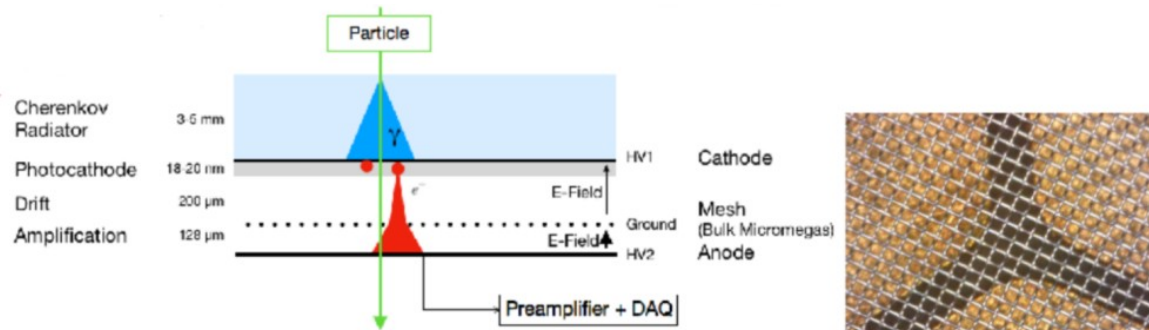
Range-meter after the hadron dump. Extends the tagger acceptance in the forward region to constrain $\pi_{\mu 2}$ decays contributing to the low-E ν_{μ} .



The most upstream (hottest)



ector needs to cope with a muon rate of ~ 2 MHz



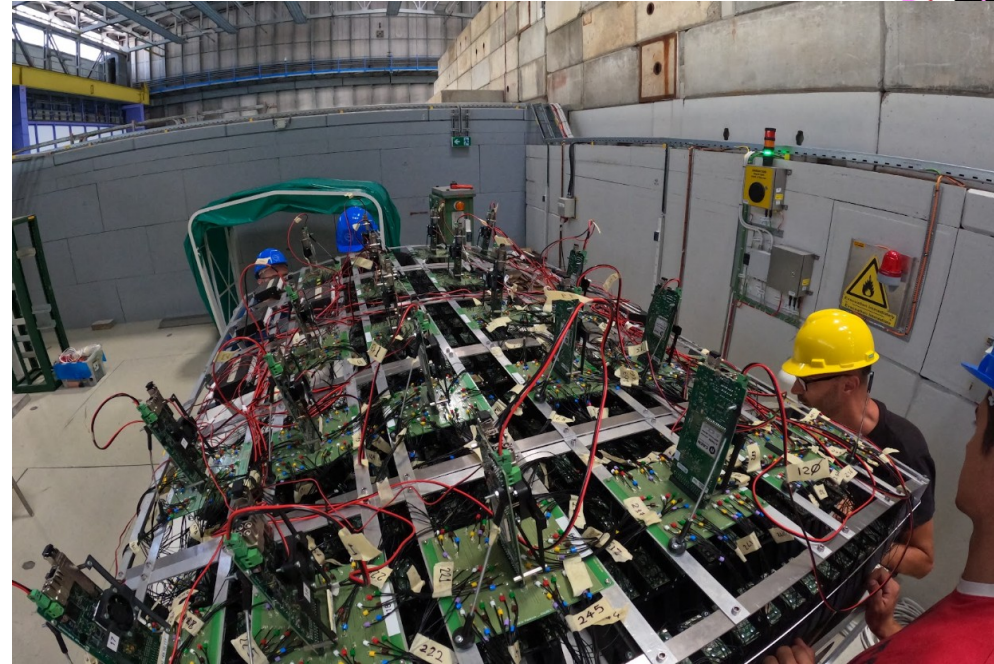
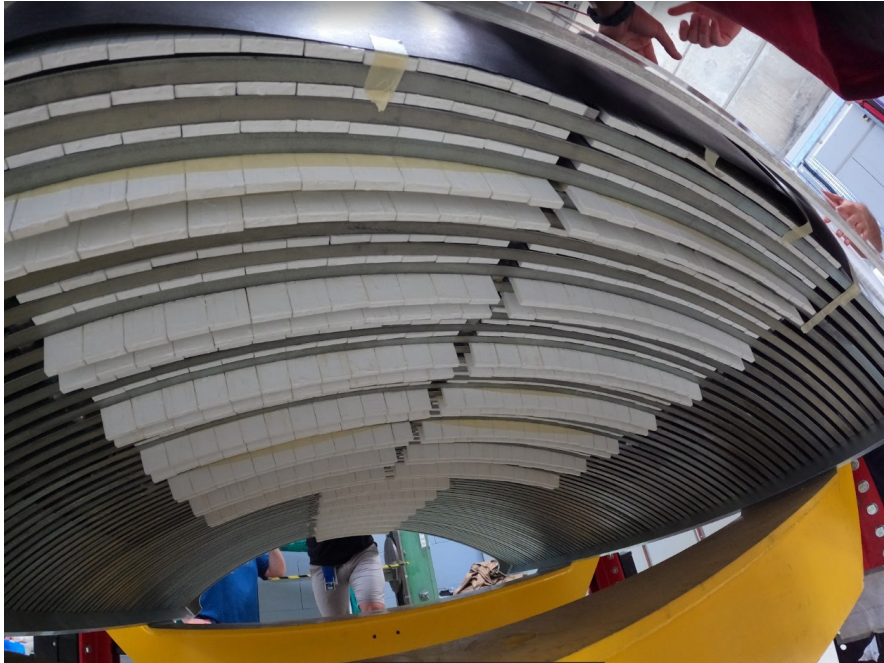
Micromegas detectors employing Cherenkov radiators + thin drift gap ?
 Bonus: cutting-edge timing ($O(10)$ ps).

→ PIMENT project ! →

ENUBET: demonstrator

Assembly timelapse

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

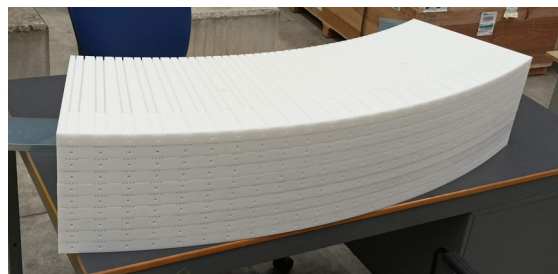
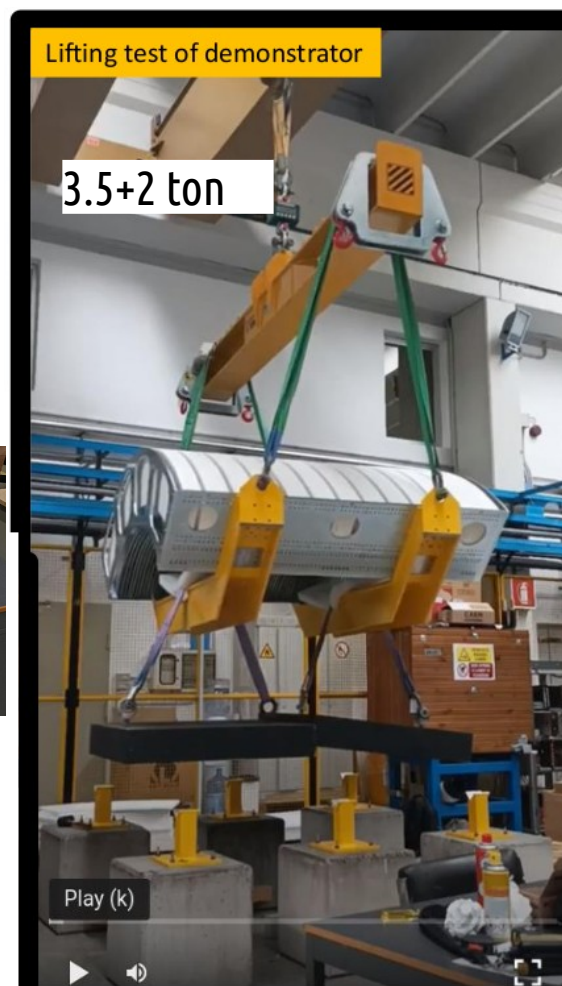
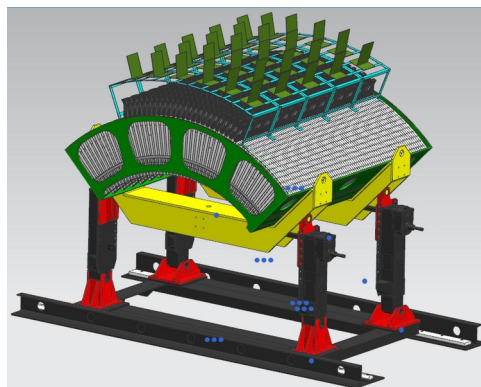


The ENUBET demonstrator in numbers

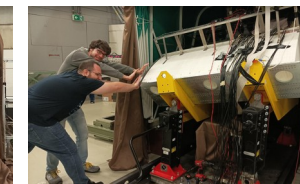
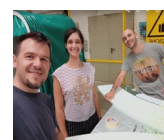
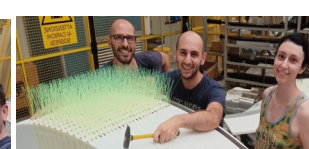
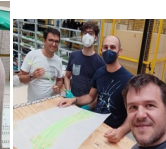
- Scintillator tiles: **1360**
- WLS: **~ 1.5 km**
- Channels (SiPM): **400**
 - Hamamatsu **50 μm** cell
 - **240 SiPM $4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^2$ (calo)**
 - **160 SiPM $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$ (t_0)**
- Fiber concentrators, FE boards: **80**
- Interface boards (hirose conn.): **8**
- Readout 64 ch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



Demonstrator construction at LNL-INFN labs



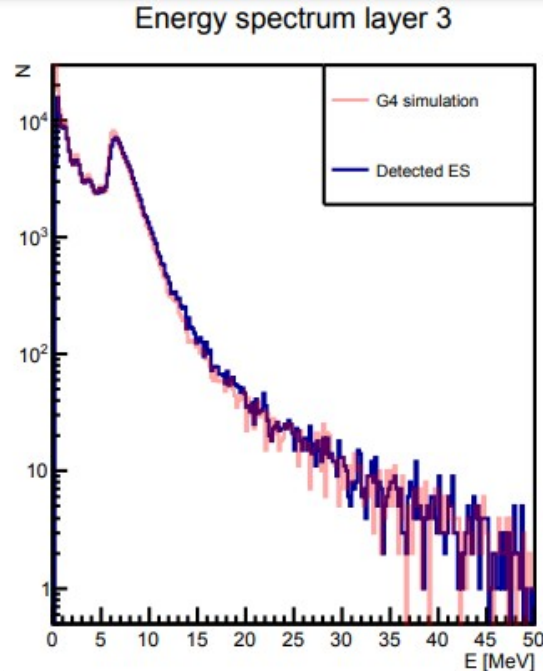
Group pictures



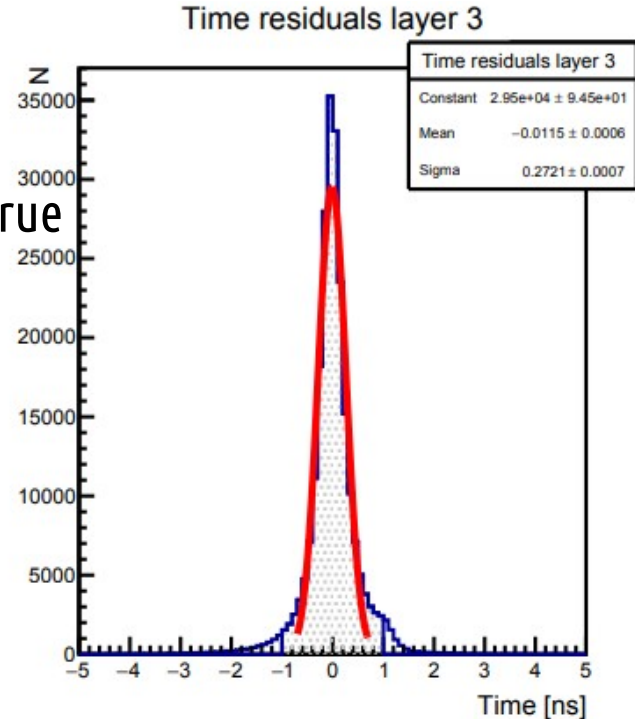
Event pile-up analysis

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.

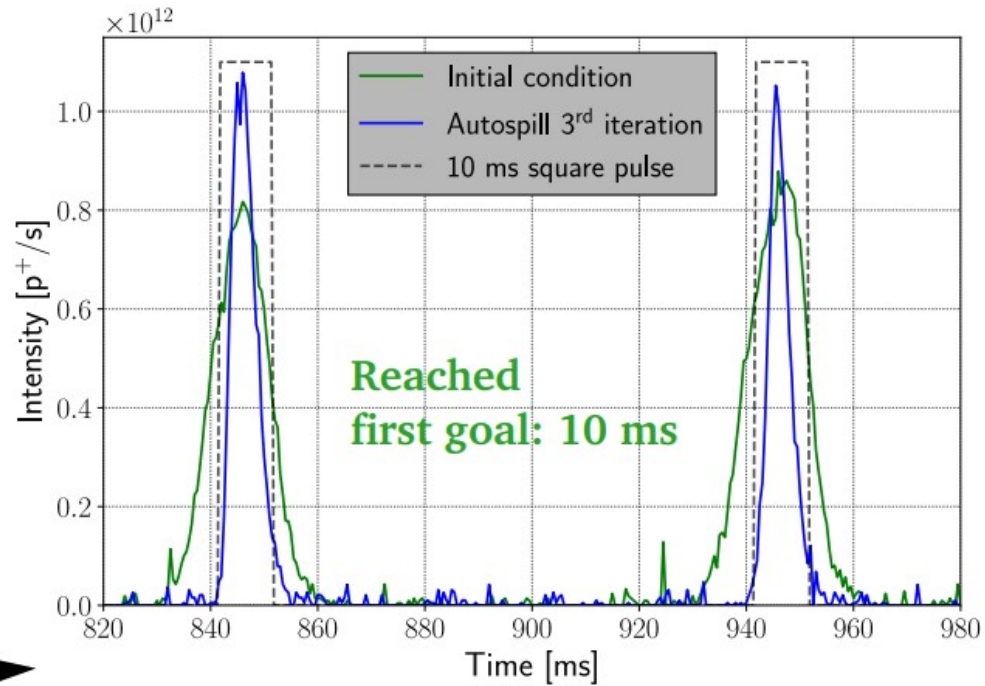
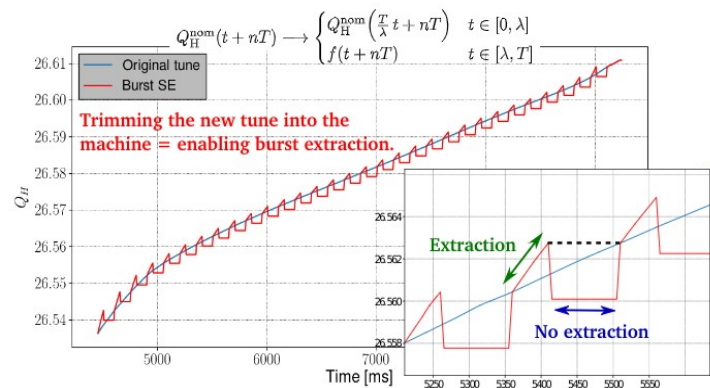
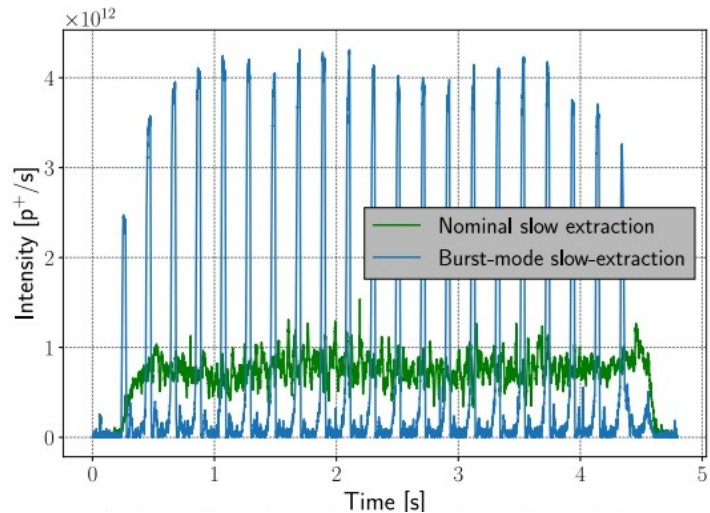


With 4.5×10^{13} POT in 2s

- 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

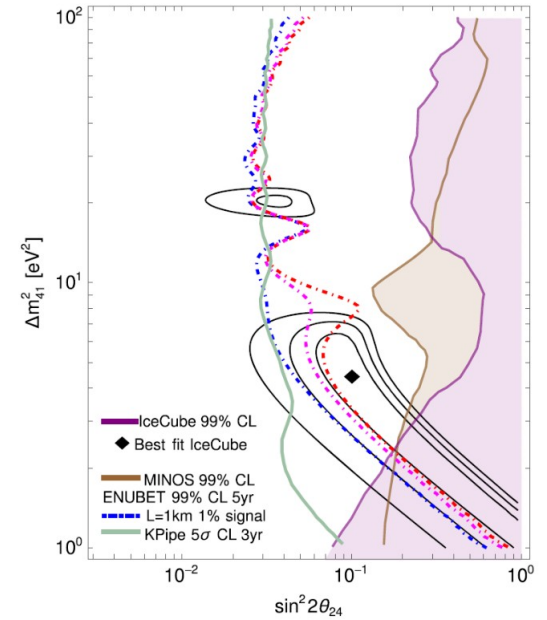
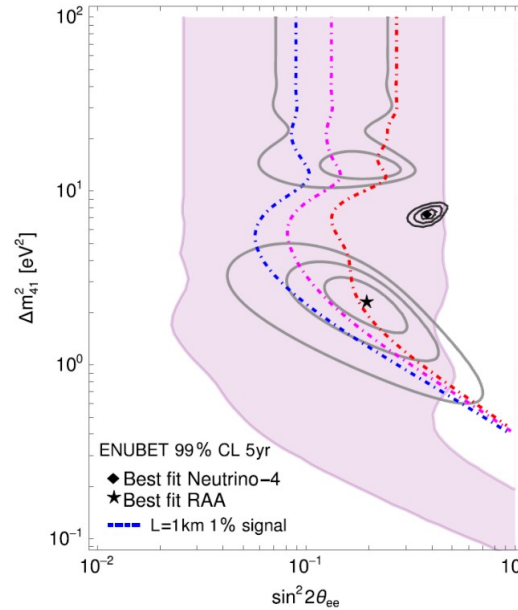


PhD thesis of M. Pari (UniPD + CERN doctoral).
Defended 23/2/21.

BSM

Sterile neutrinos: some results already available

L.A. Delgadillo, 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

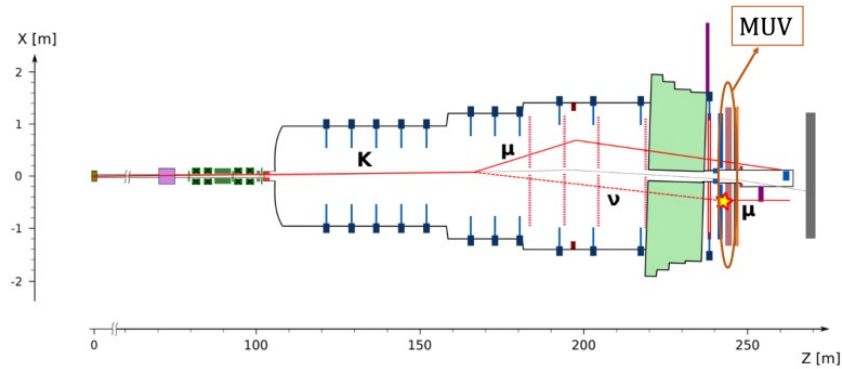
For the first time at nufact2023

https://indico.cern.ch/event/1216905/contributions/5448754/attachments/2702123/4690877/NuFACT_NuTagging_DeMartino.pdf

Bianca De Martino (NA62)

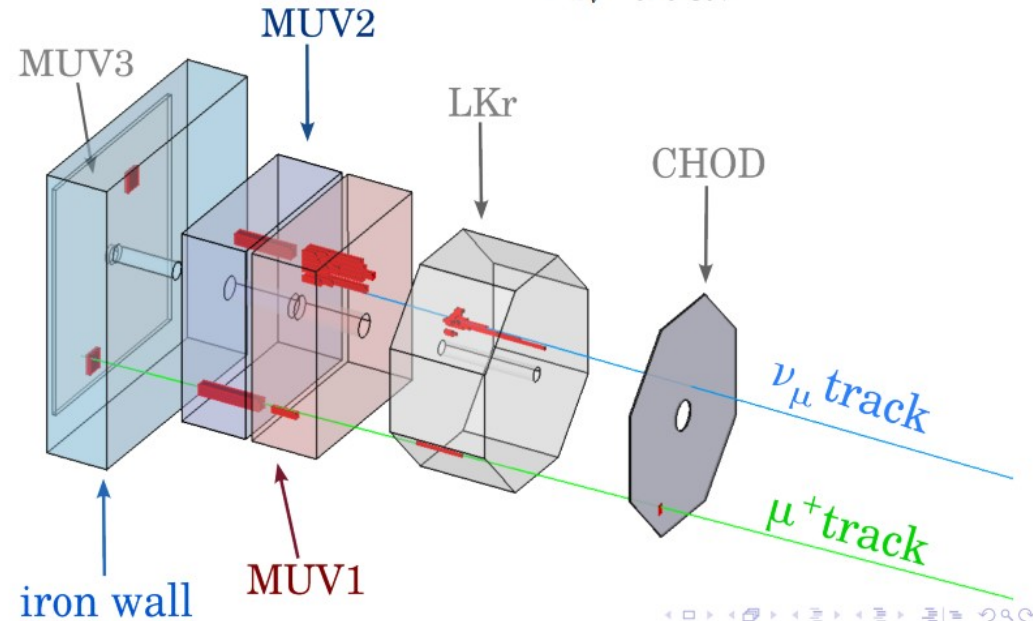
S/B=5.5, 2 candidates

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



Event Display - Event B

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



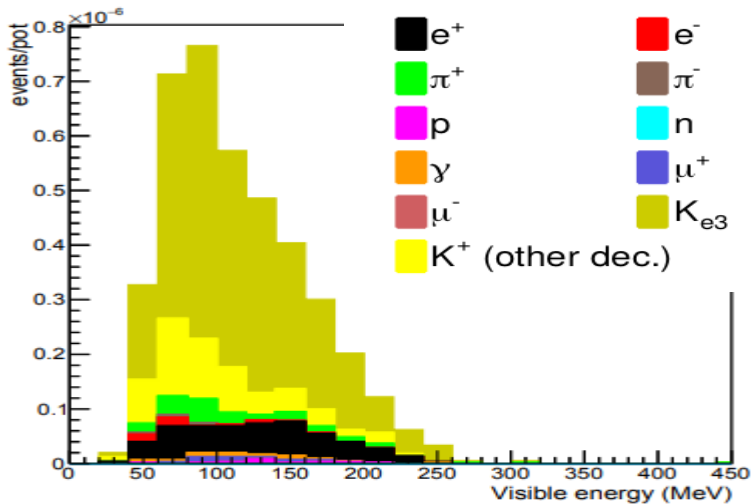
Lepton reconstruction

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

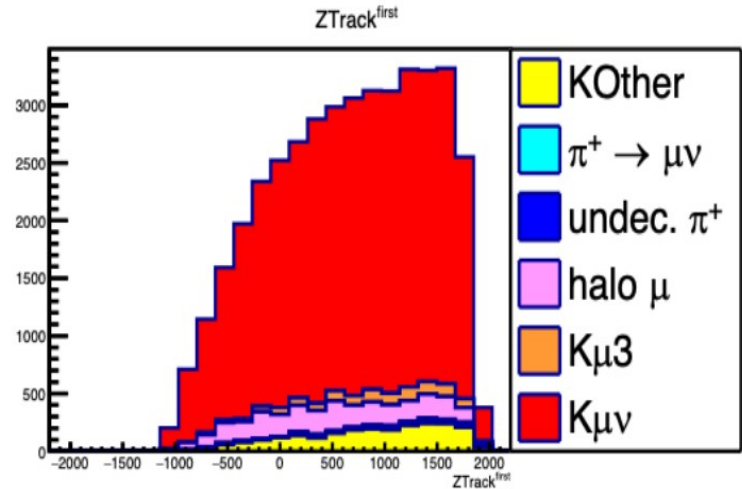
Half of efficiency loss is geometrical

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)

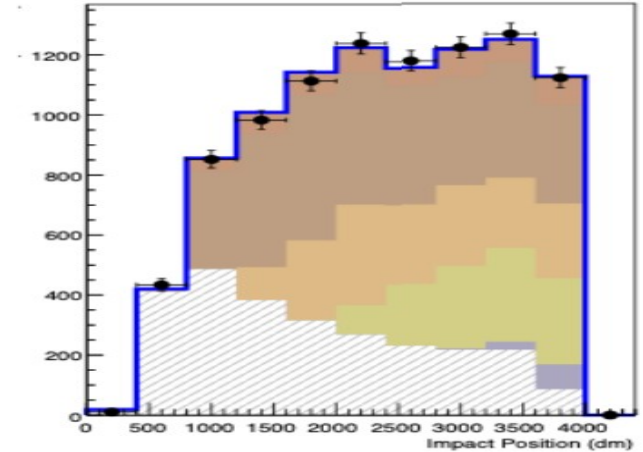


μ^+ candidate z coord (cm)

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 (α, β, \dots)

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



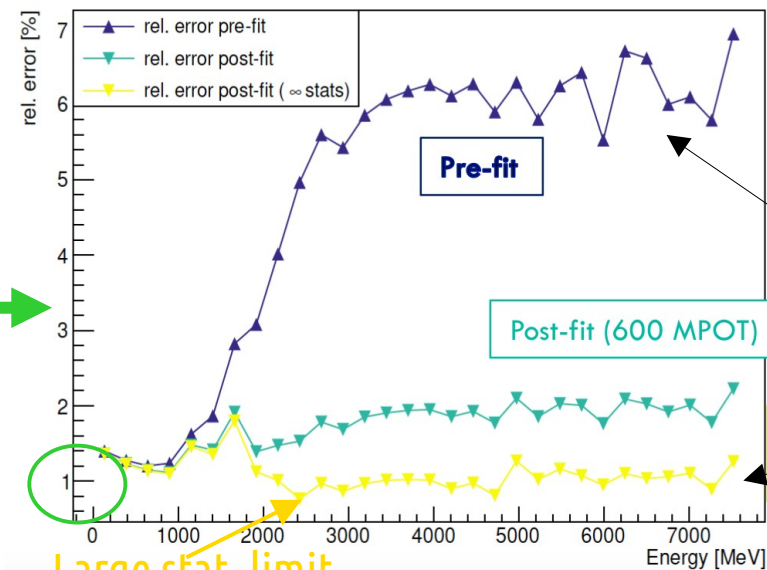
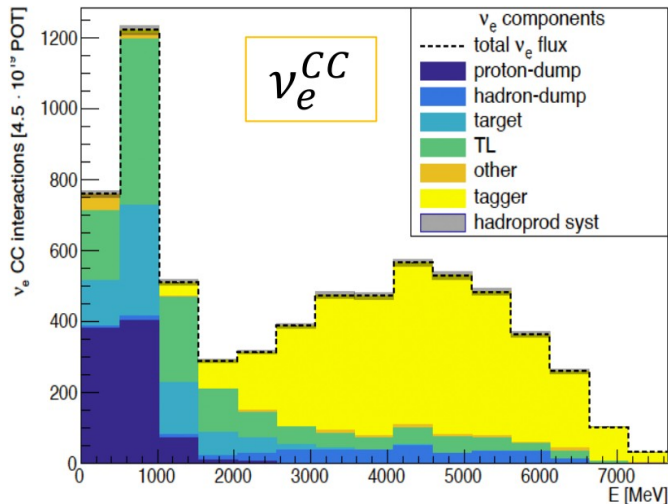
Each histogram component corresponds to a bin in E_{ν}

→ 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



Before constraint:

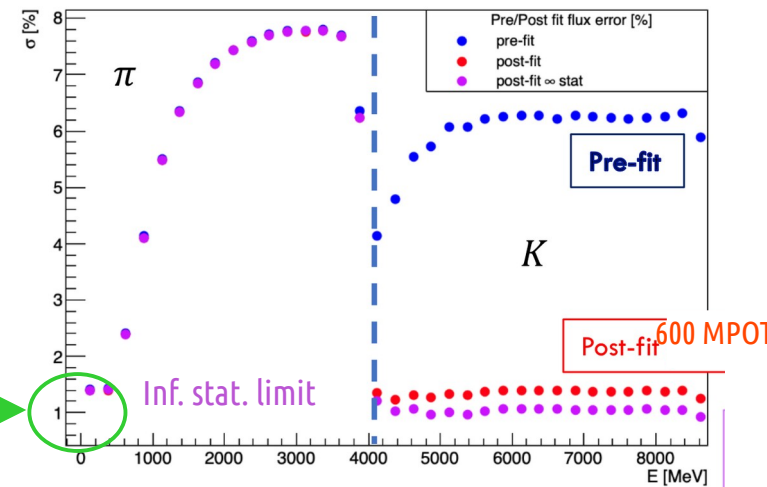
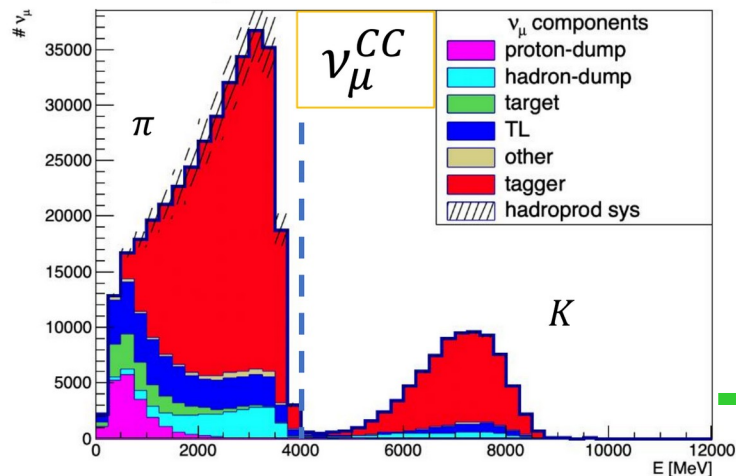
sys. budget from HP (NA56/SPY data): **~6%**

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

Full simulation data (beamline, detector, reconstruction)

Works for both ν_e and ν_μ

Finalizing the analysis to include detector effects, publication in preparation



Tagger particle budget at true level

