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Atmospheric Neutrino Fluxes

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Synopsis

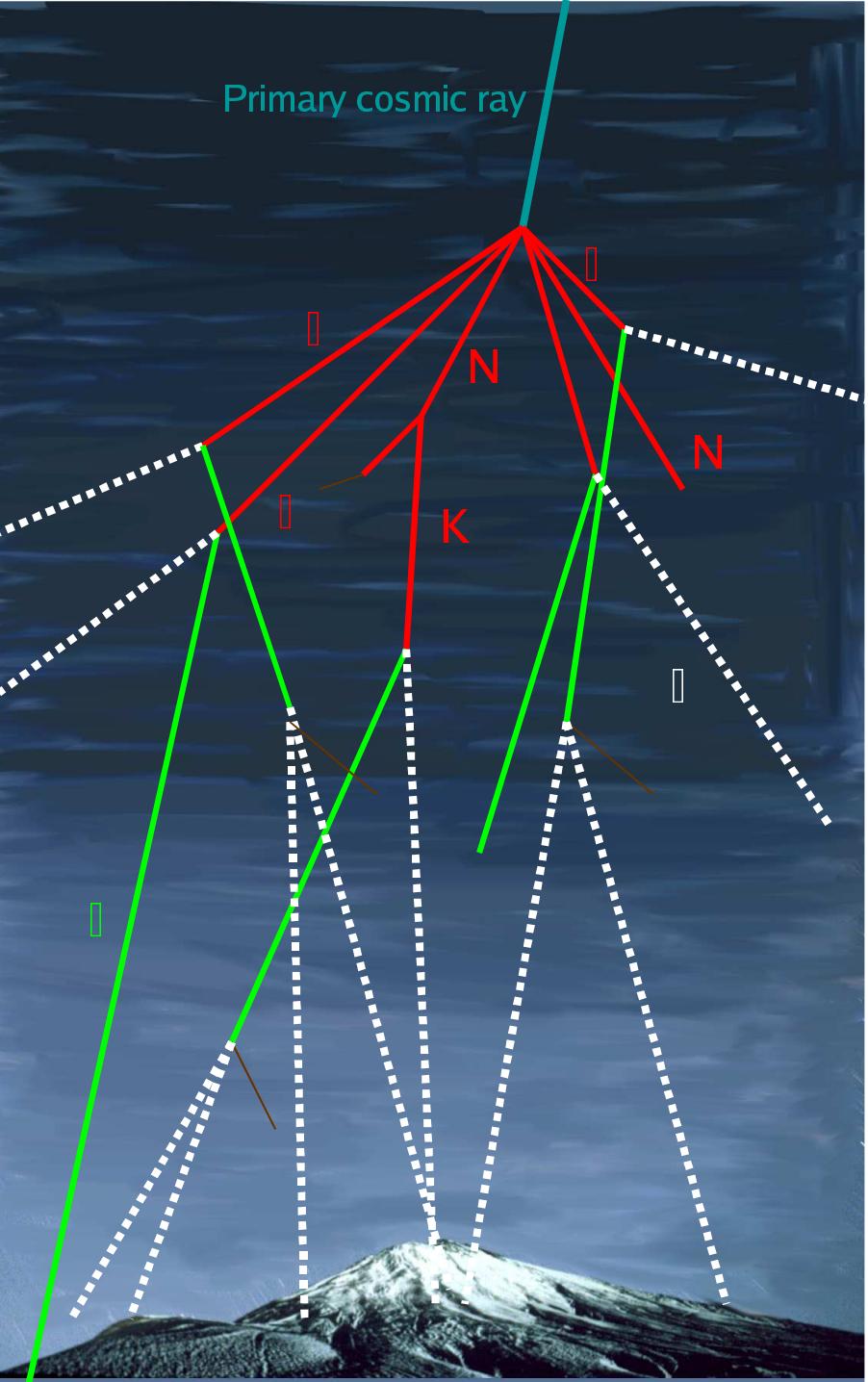
Section 1: Features of atmospheric neutrino fluxes

- Cosmic ray cascades
- 3D effects
- Fluxes, flux ratios

Section 2: Systematics

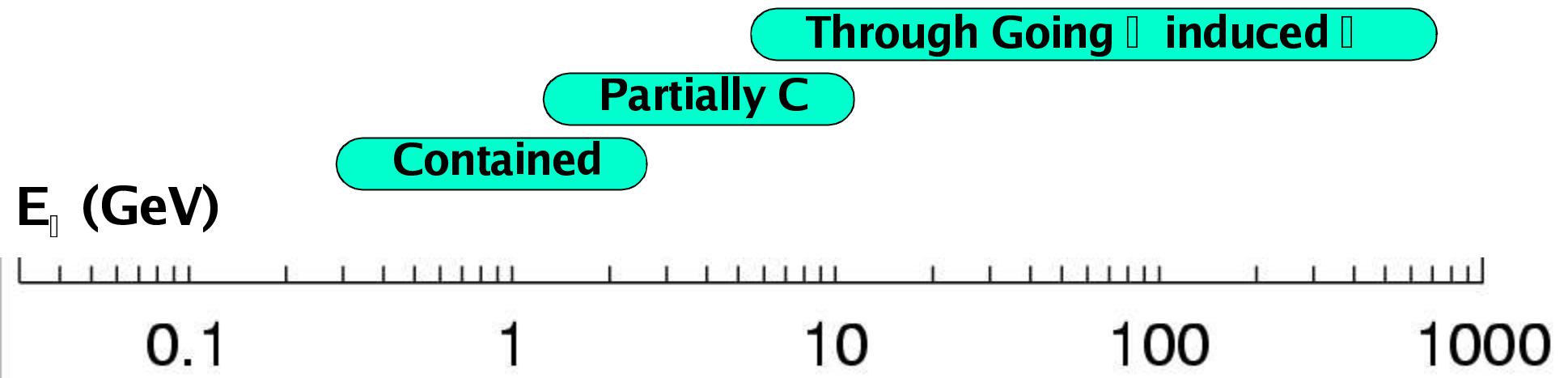
- Primary fluxes
- Hadron production
- Other effects

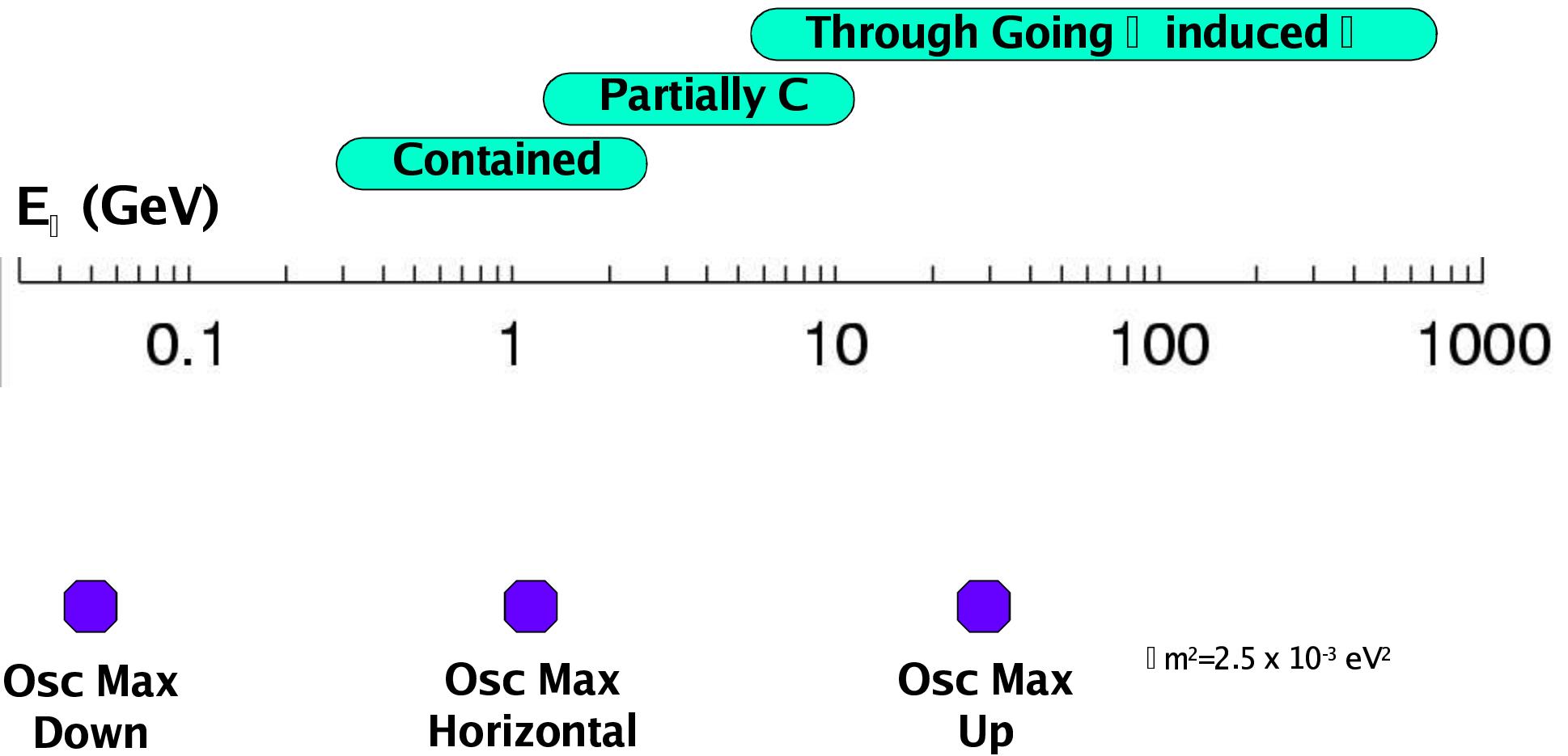
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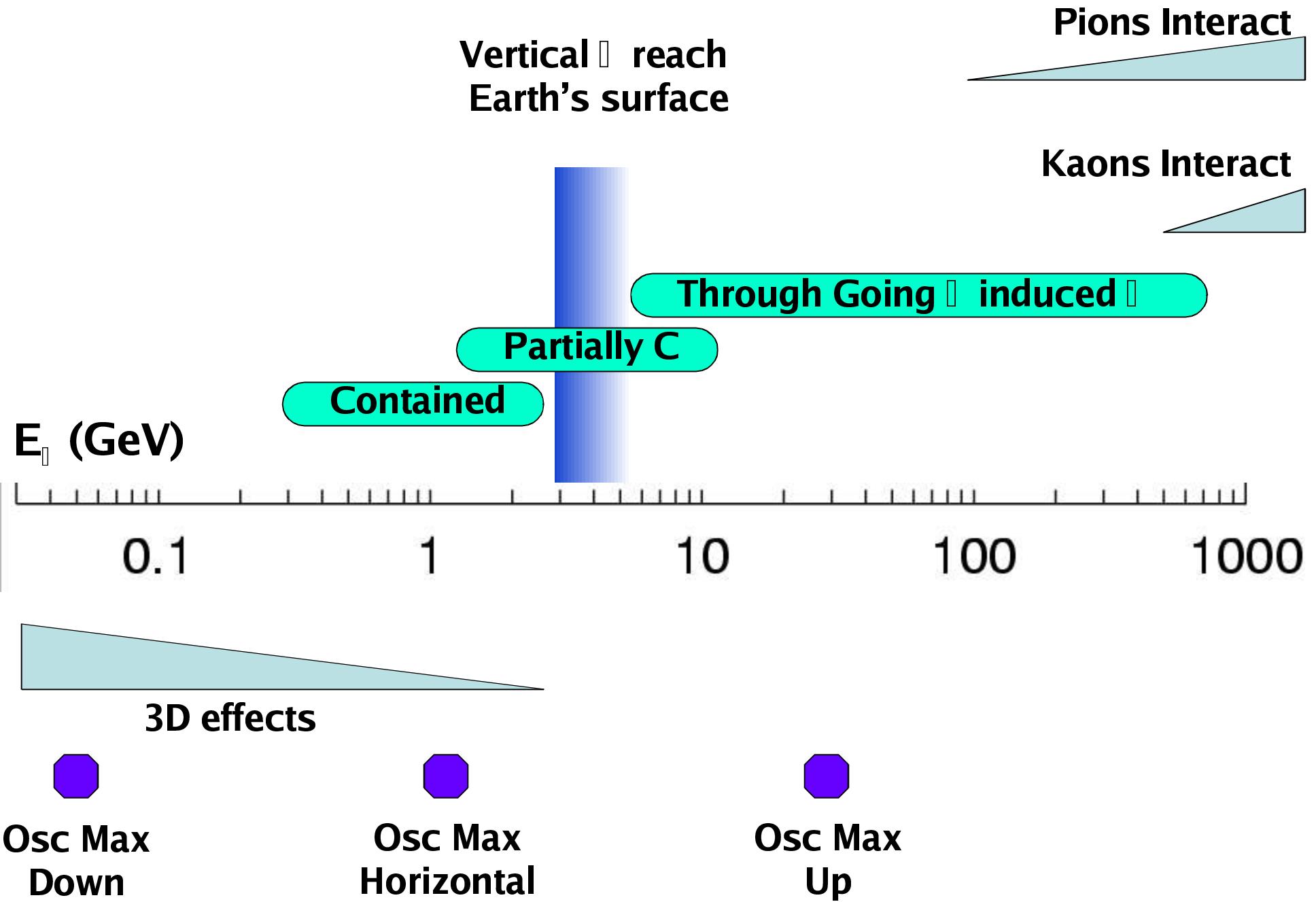


Neutrinos produced from a shower

- Primary cosmic ray: proton or heavier nucleus
- Interacts in $\sim 90\text{ g/cm}^2$
- Atmosphere depth 1050 g/cm^2
- Cascade
- Most hadrons don't reach ground.

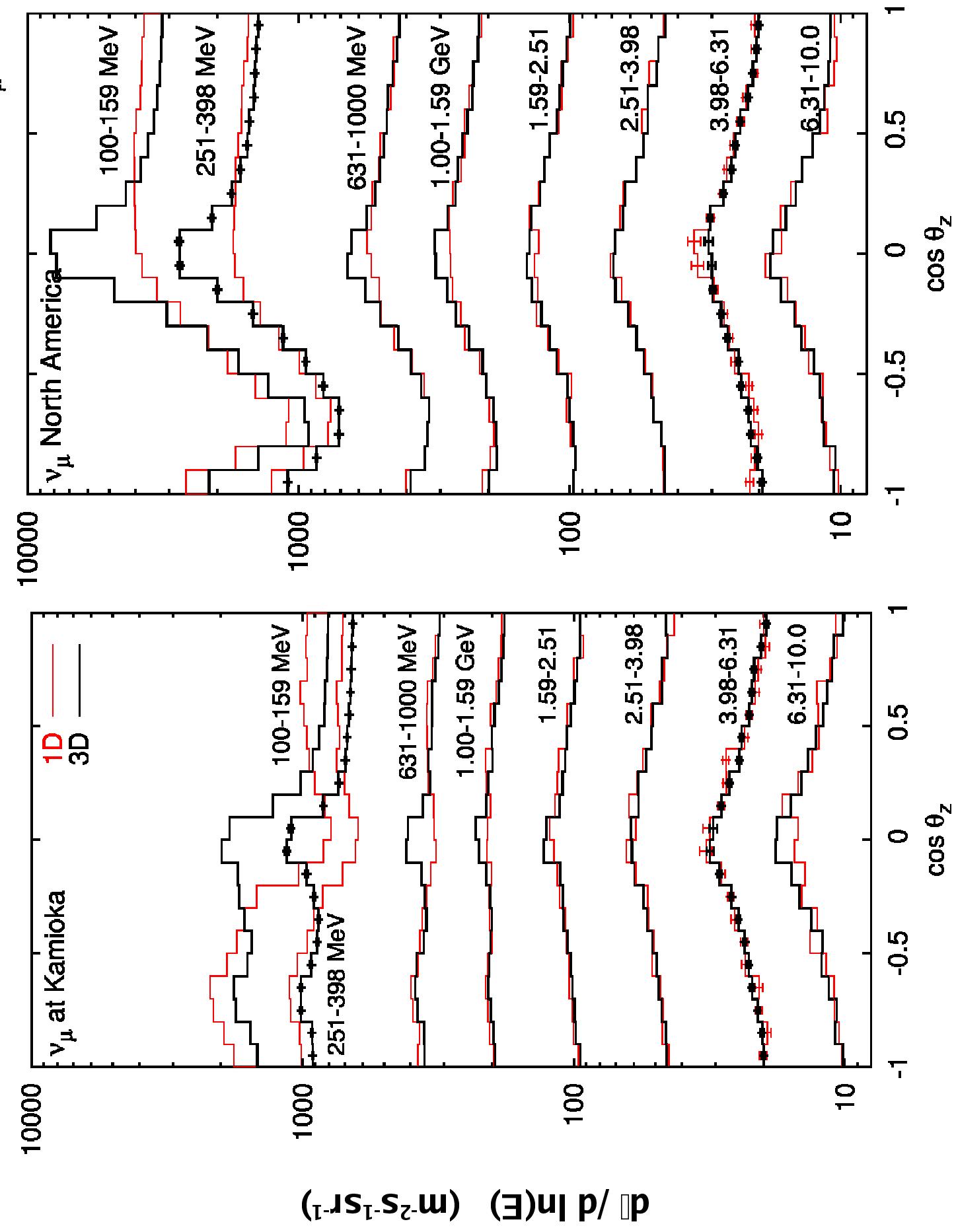






Summary of Atmospheric Neutrino Calculations

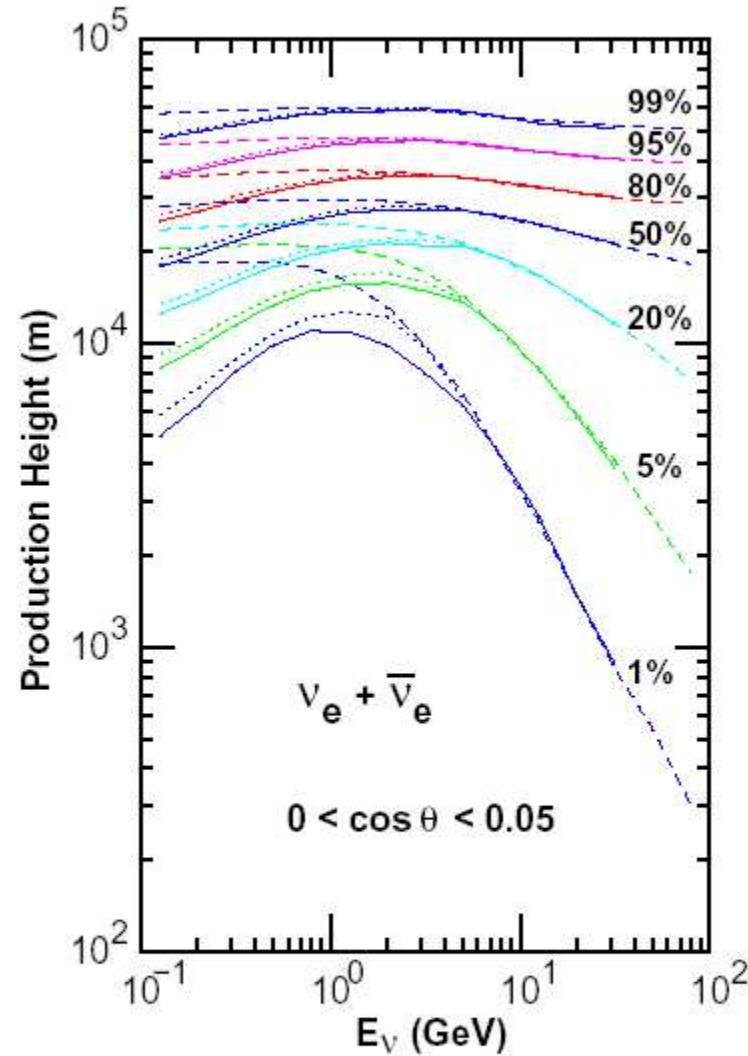
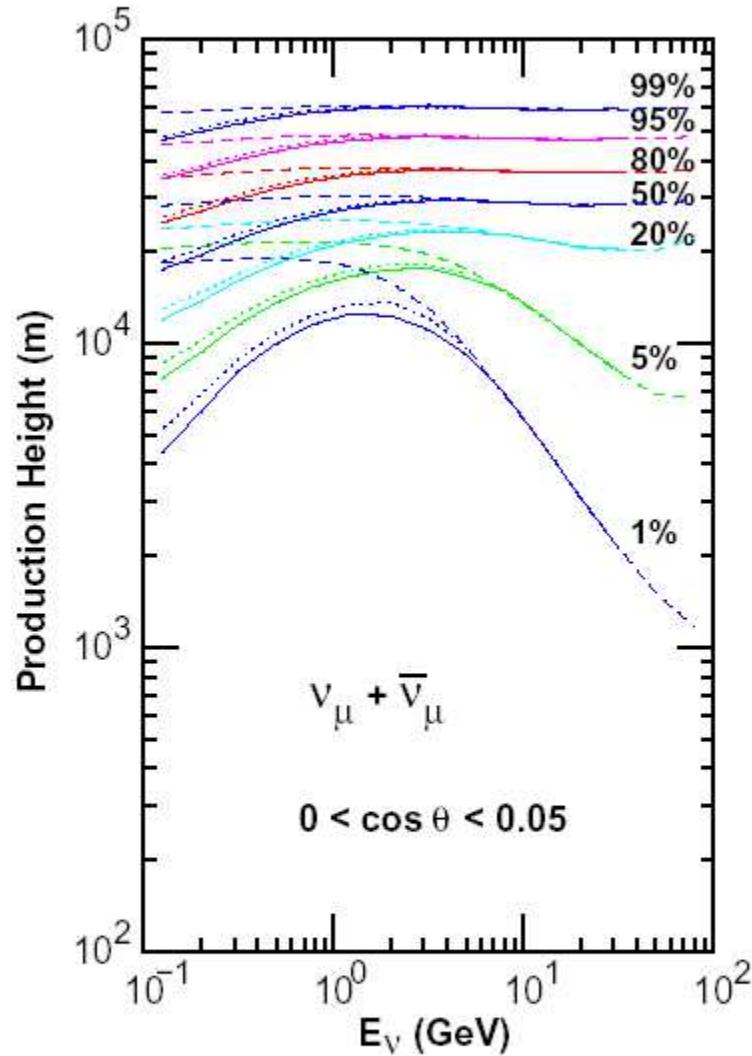
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E. V. Bugaev and V. A. Naumov,	PL B232:391 (1989)	1D		
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D. Perkins	Asp.Phys. 2:249 (1994)	Mu		
Honda, Kajita, Kasahara, Midorikawa	PRD 52:4985 (1995)	1D		FRITIOF
Battistoni et al	Asp.Phys 12:315 (2000) Asp.Phys 19:269 (2003)	3D		FLUKA
P. Lipari	Asp.Phys 14:171 (2000)	3D		
V. Plyaskin	PL B516:213 (2001) hep-ph/0303146	3D		GHEISHA
Tserkovnyak et al	Asp.Phys 18:449 (2003)	3D		CALOR-FRITIOF GFLUKA/GHEISHA
Wentz et al	PRD 67 073020 (2003)	3D		Corsika: DPMJET VENUS, UrQMD
Liu, Derome, Buénerd	PRD 67 073022 (2003)	3D		
Favier, Kossalsowski, Vialle	PRD 68 093006 (2003)	3D		GFLUKA
Barr, Gaisser, Lipari, Robbins, Stanev	PRD (July 2004)	3D		Target
Honda, Kajita, Kasahara, Midorikawa	PRD 64 053011 (2001) PRD submitted (2004)	3D		DPMJET



Path length distributions

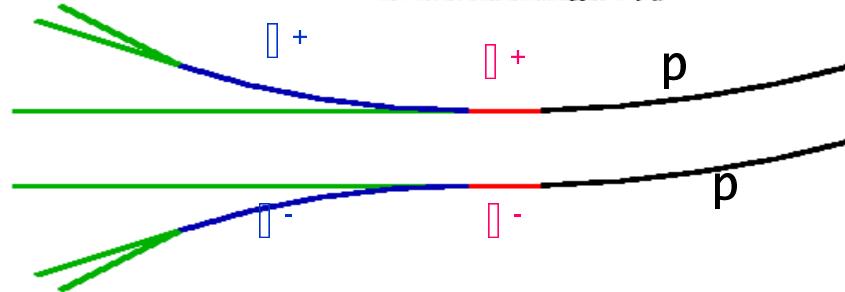
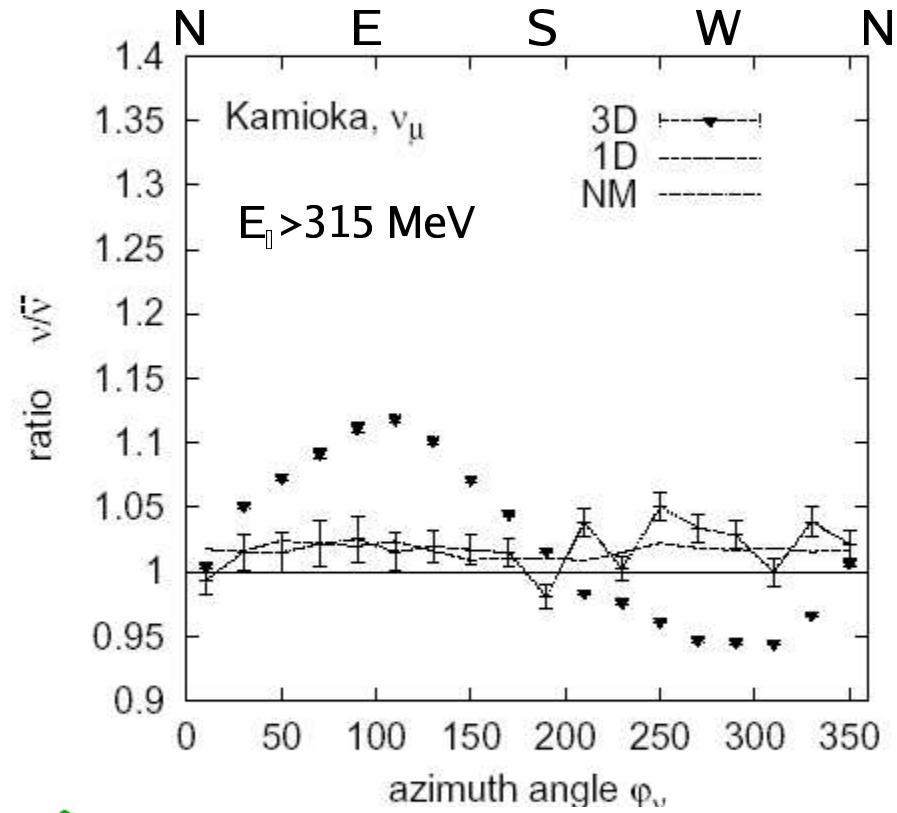
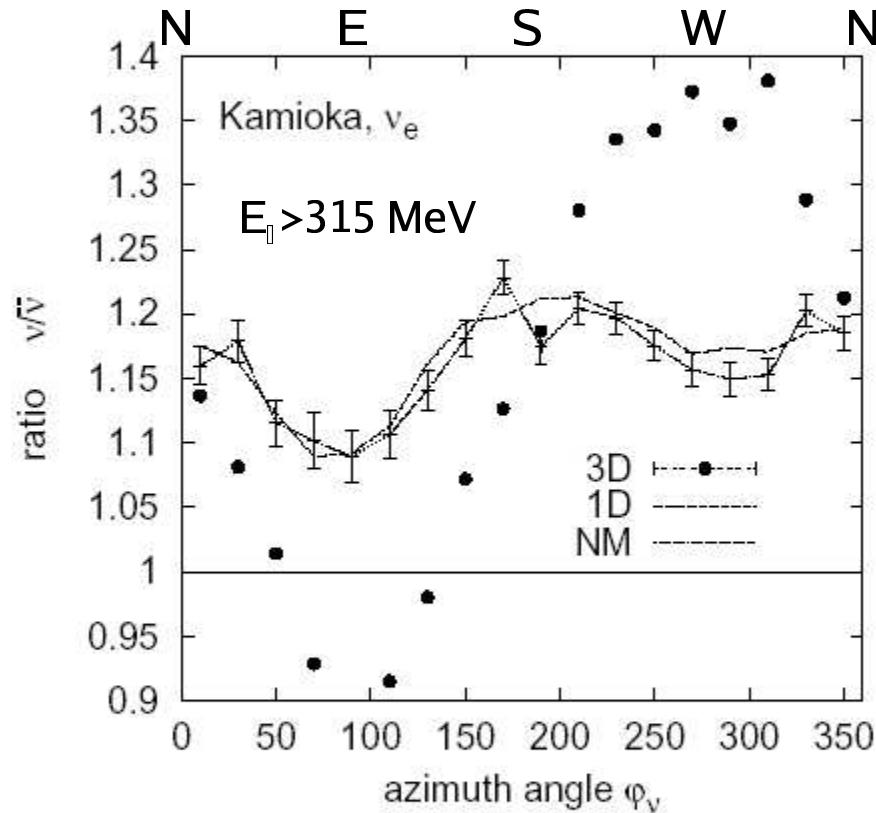
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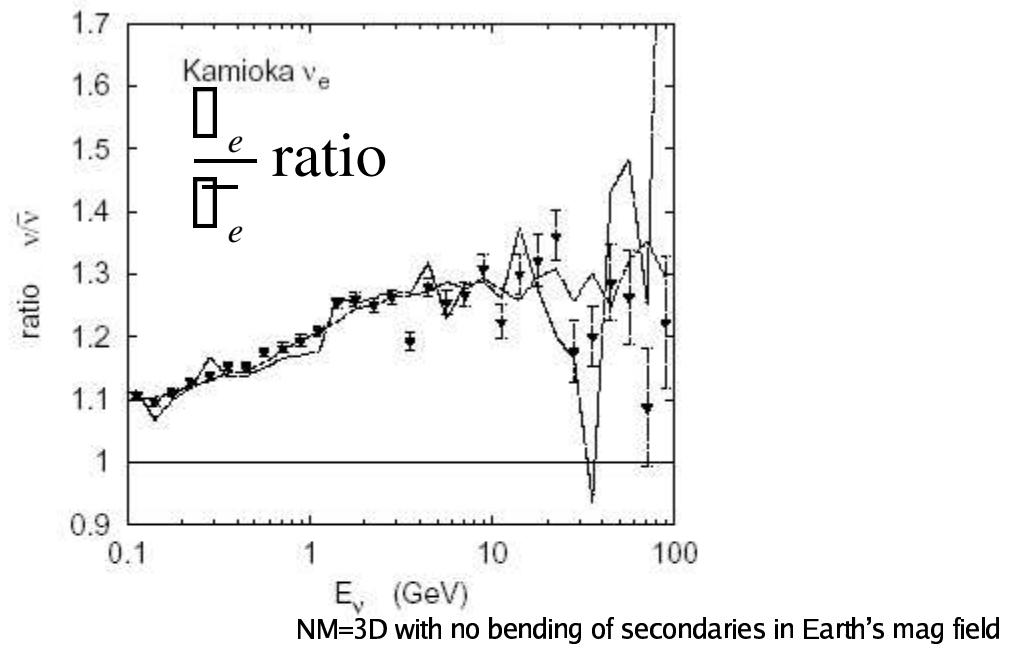
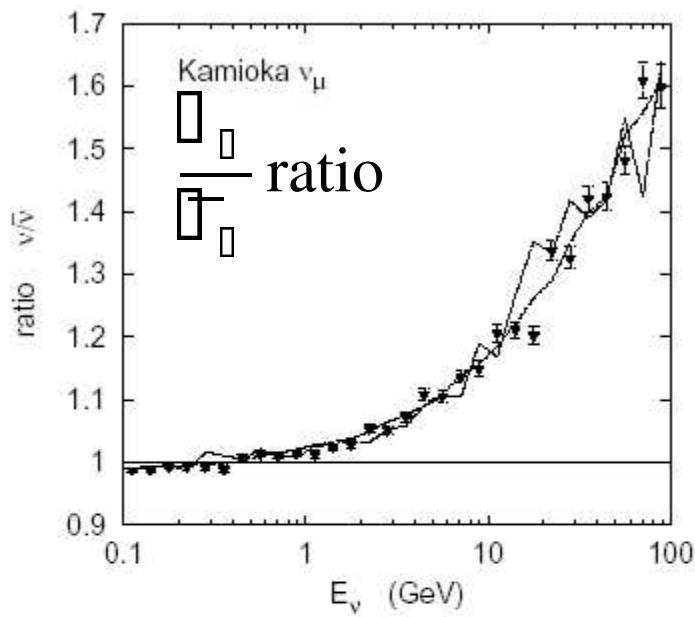
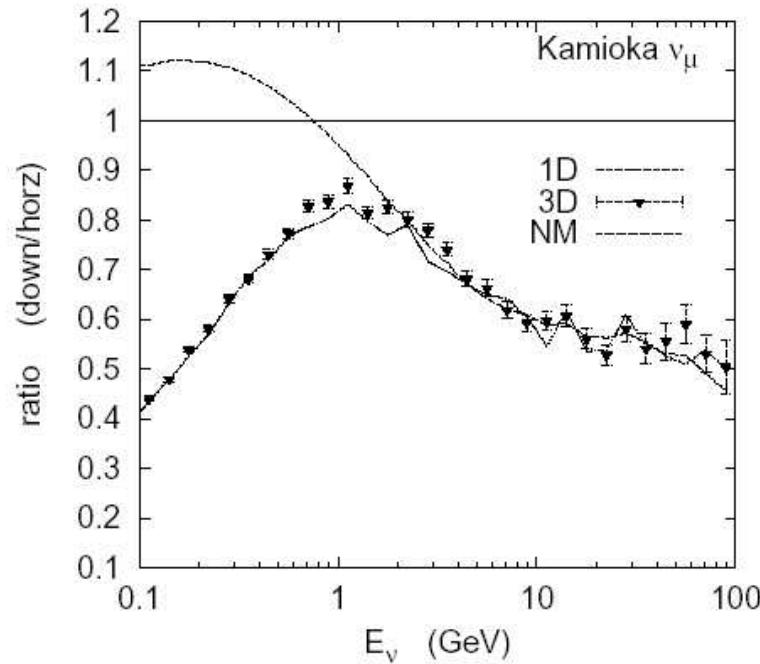
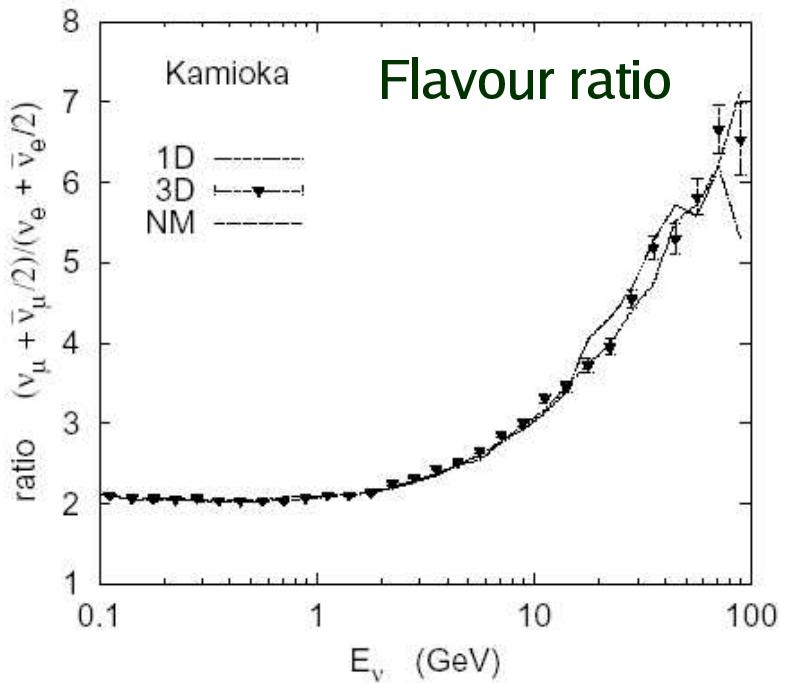
Solid 3D at Kamioka, Dashed 1D at Kamioka, Dot 3D at Soudan



Azimuth angle distribution

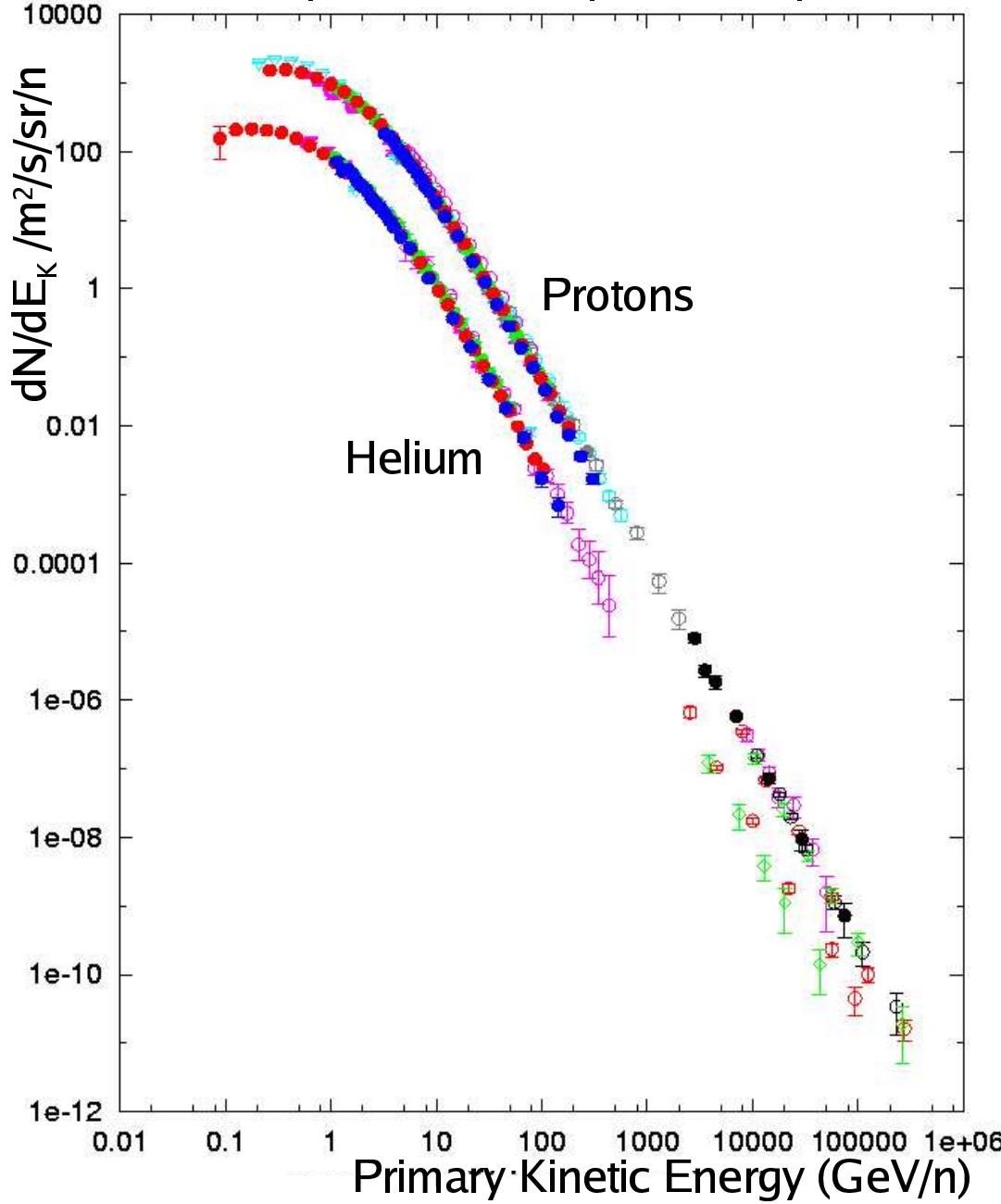
East-West effect





Section 2: Systematics

Flux of primaries at top of atmosphere



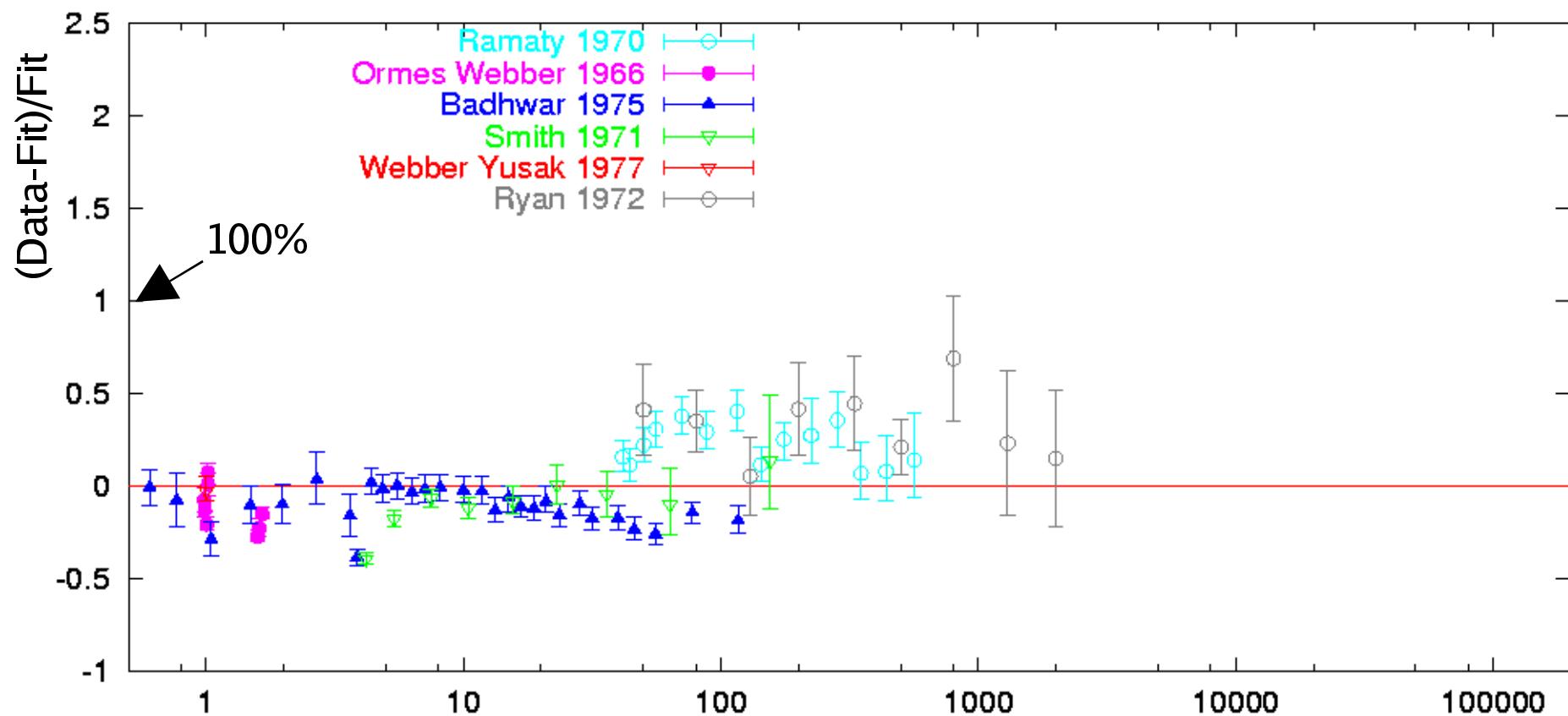
Primary fluxes

$$\Pi(E_K) = K E_K^{-b} \exp(-c\sqrt{E_K})$$

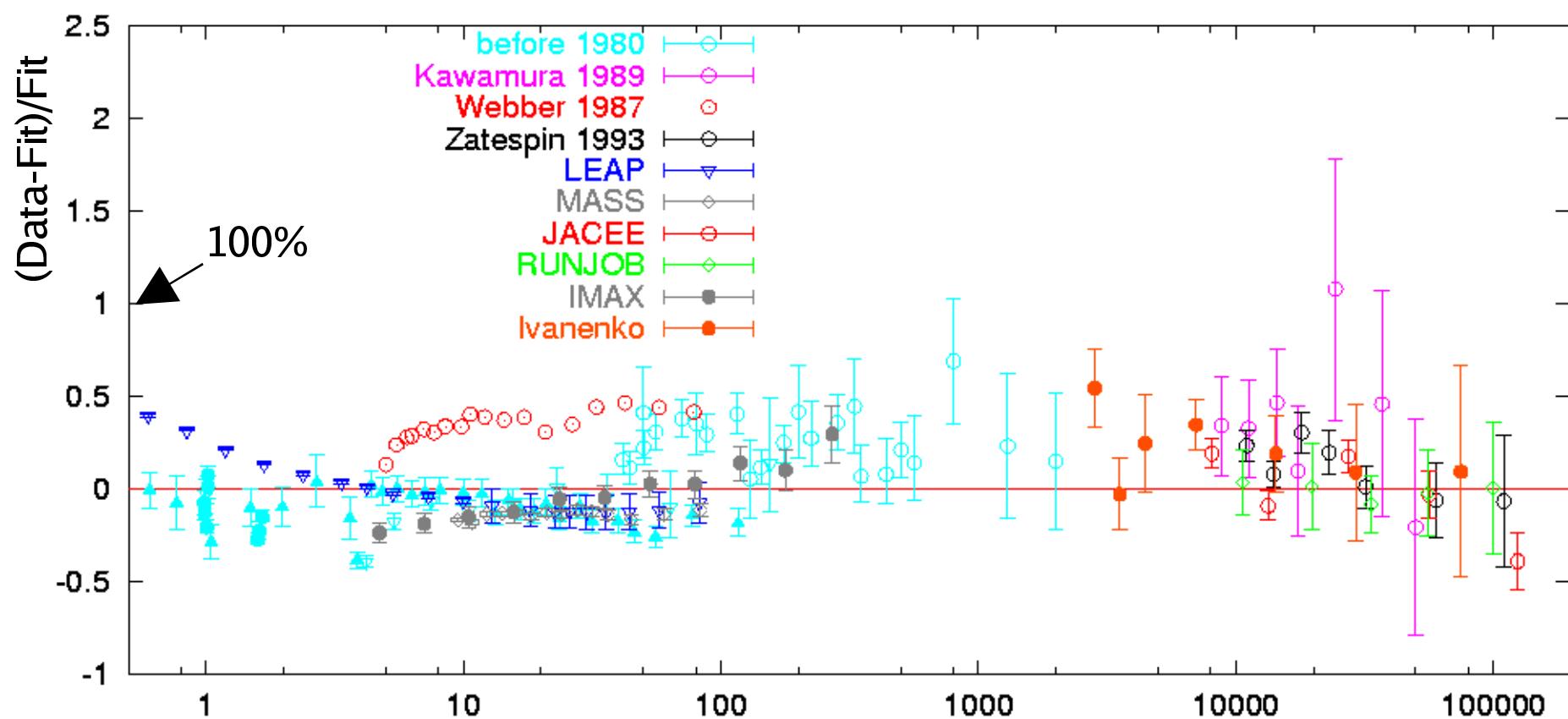
	Π	K	b	c
H	2.74	14900	2.15	0.21
He	2.64	600	1.25	0.14
CNO 14	2.70	62.4	1.78	0.02
Ne-Si 24	2.70	21.4	1.78	0.02
Fe(56)	2.70	5.1	1.78	0.02

- Protons = 75% of all nucleon fluxes
- Helium = 15% of all nucleons = 60% of all nuclei.

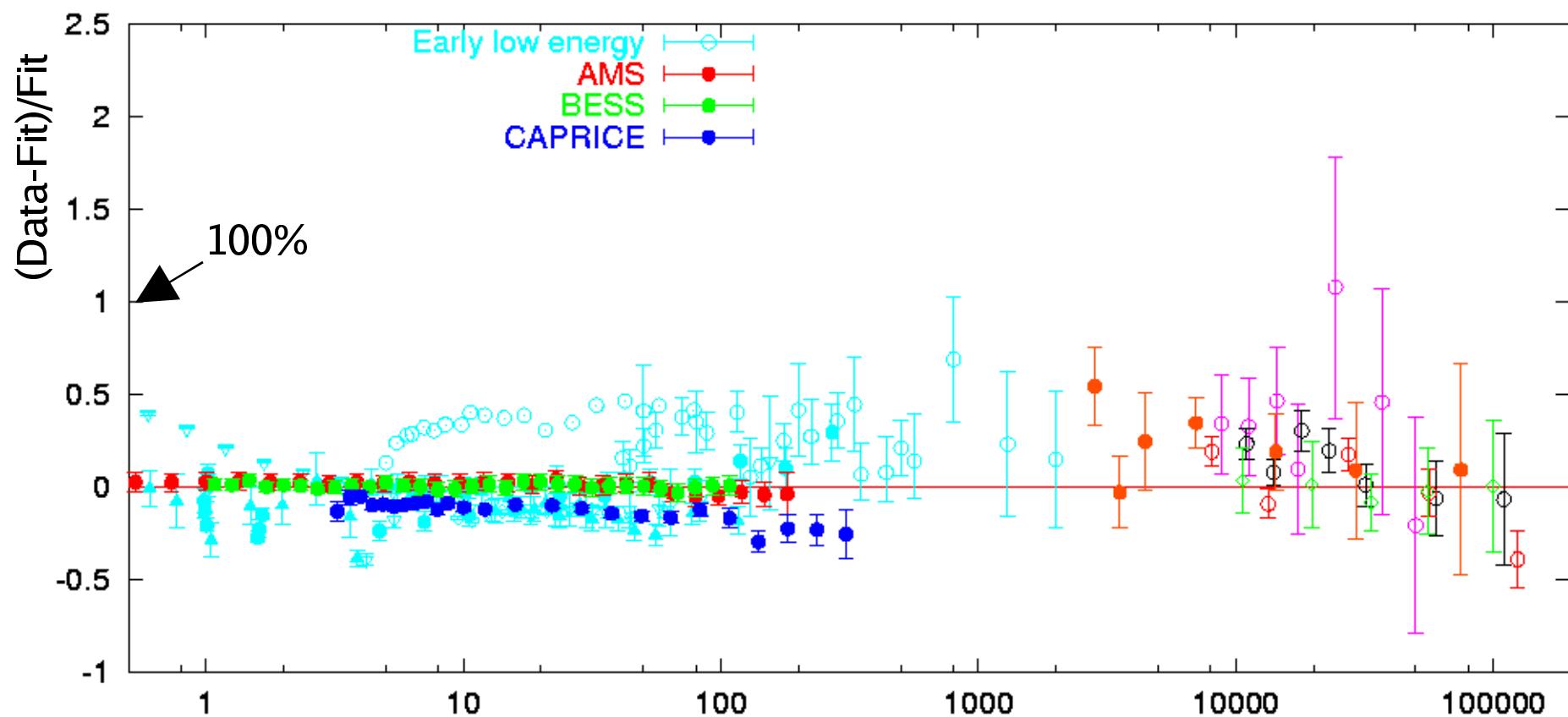
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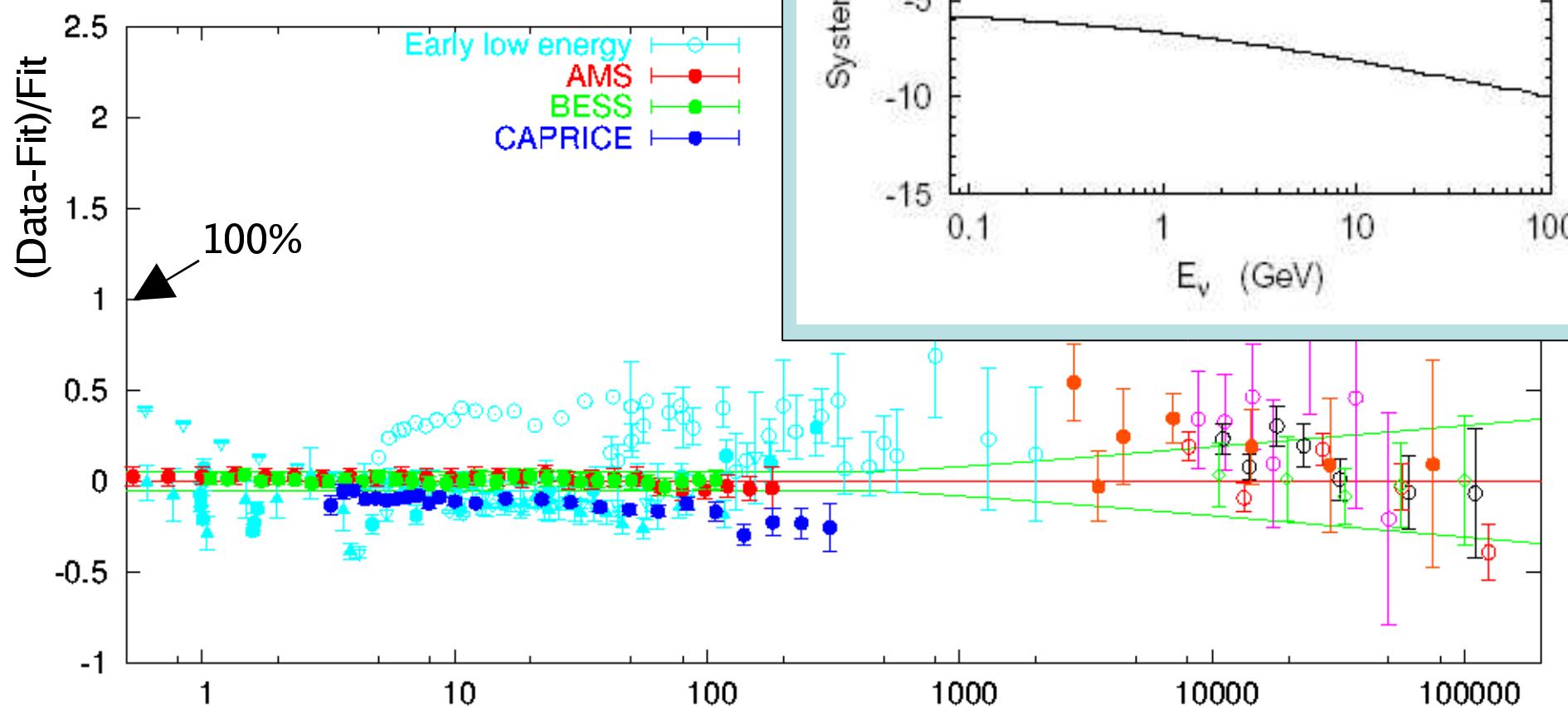


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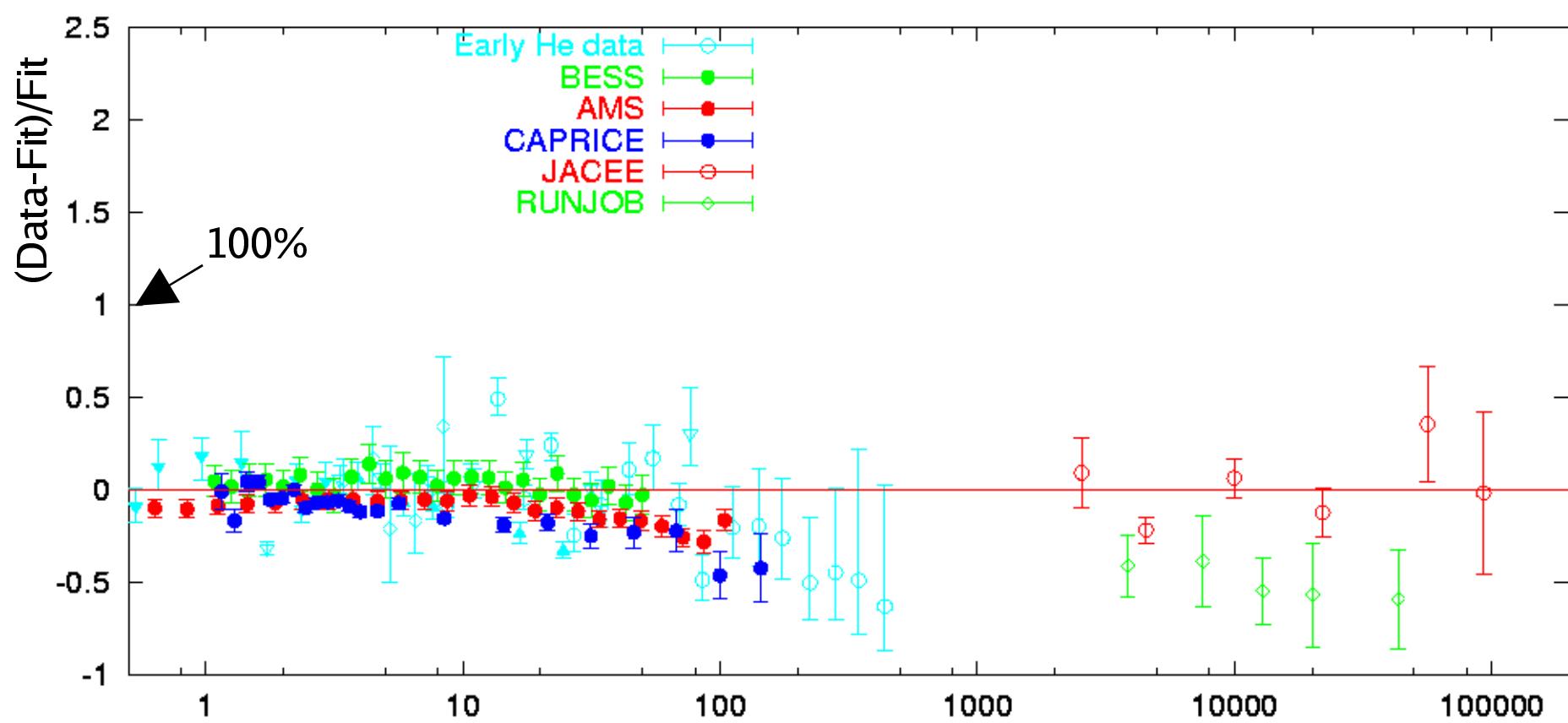


Effect on neutrino fluxes

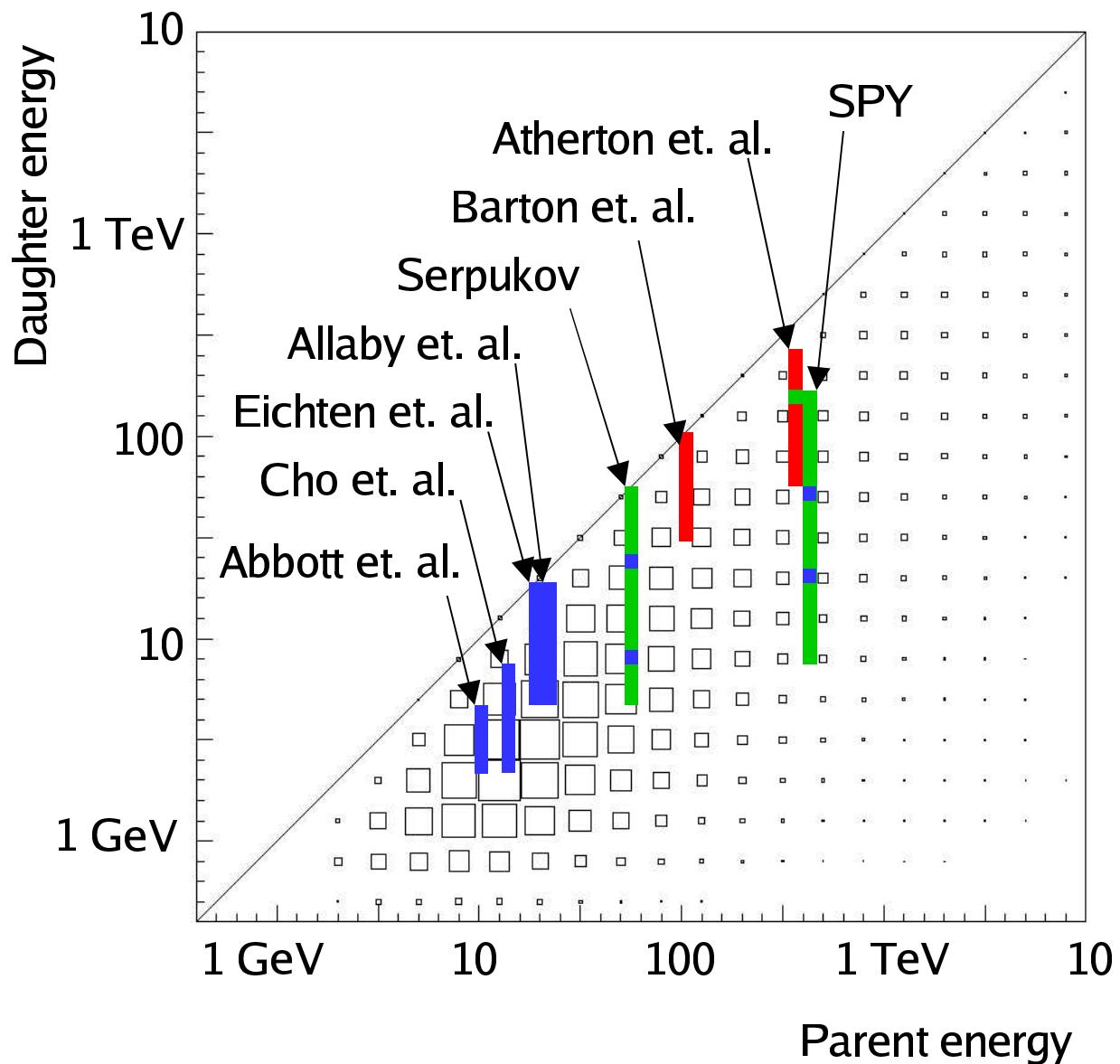
This includes helium uncertainty shown on next slide



Helium Fluxes



Hadron production measurements



Population of hadron-production phase-space for $pA - X$ interactions.

\parallel_μ flux (represented by boxes) as a function of the parent and daughter energies.

Measurements.

- 1-2 p_T points
- 3-5 p_T points
- >5 p_T points

Can attempt fit all the data simultaneously.

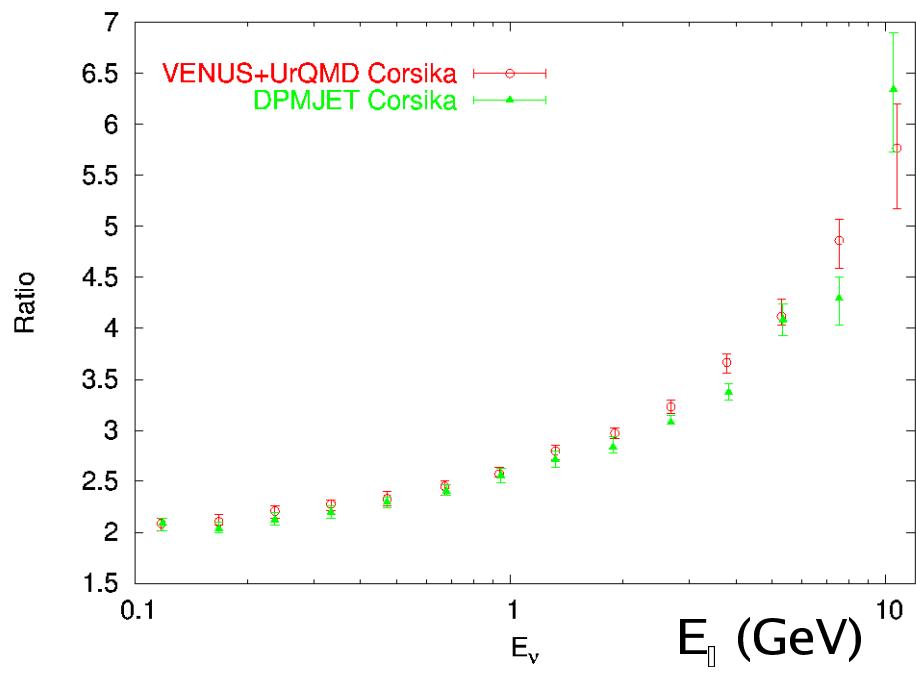
Antiproton example:
Duperray, Huang, Protasov,
Buénerd astro-ph/0305274

Hadron production:

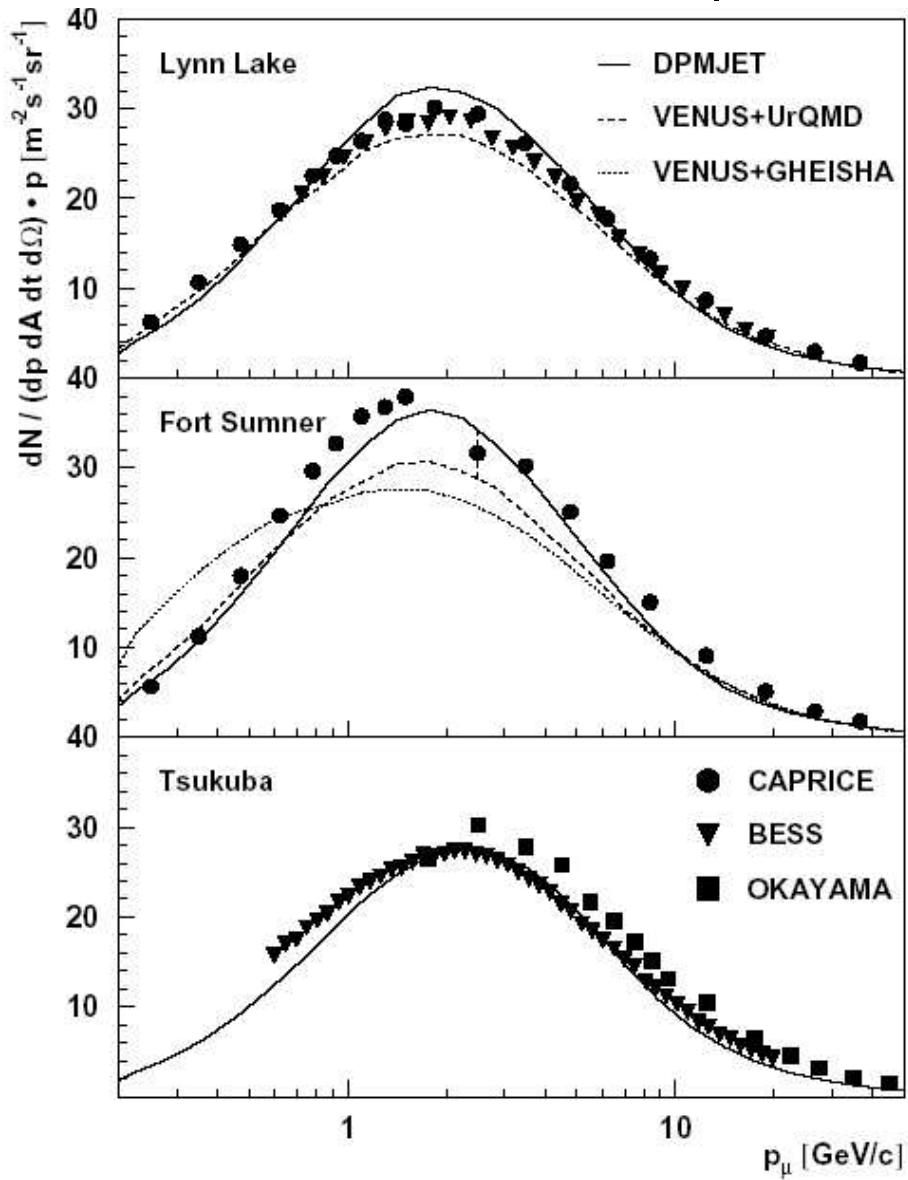
MC comparison Muon fluxes

From: Wentz et al
PRD 67 073020 (2003)

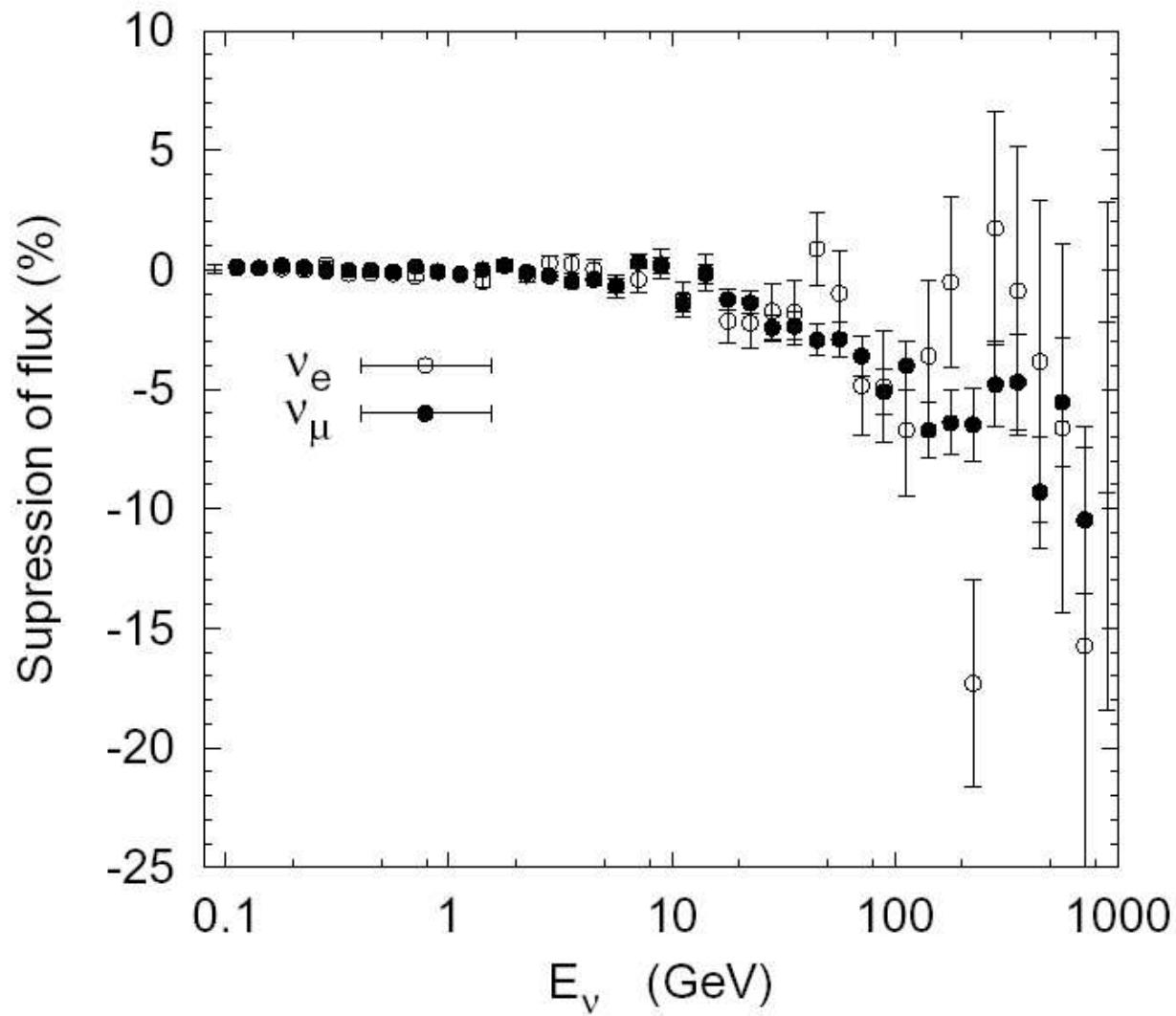
Ratio $(\mu^- \bar{\mu}^-) / (\mu^+ \bar{\mu}^+)$



(Sea level muon fluxes) $\times p$

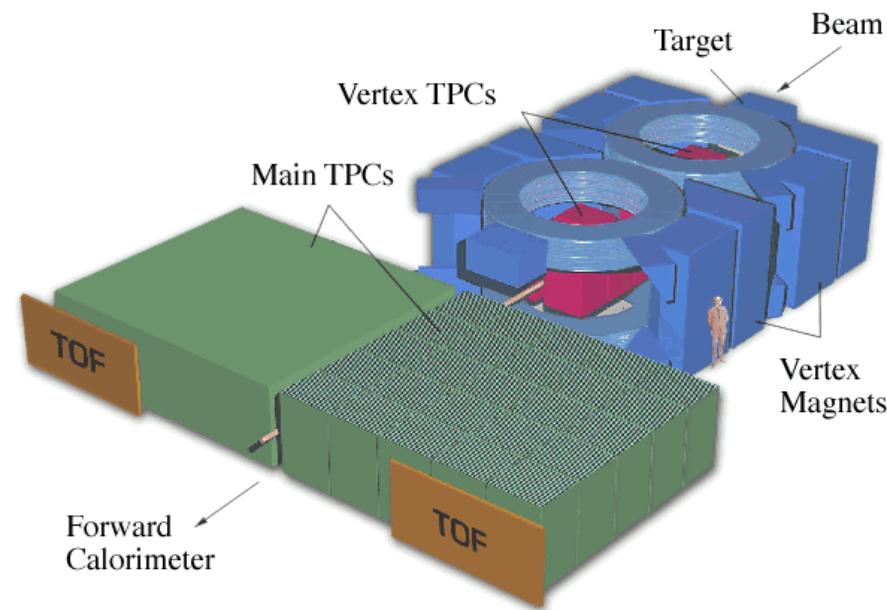


Associative production



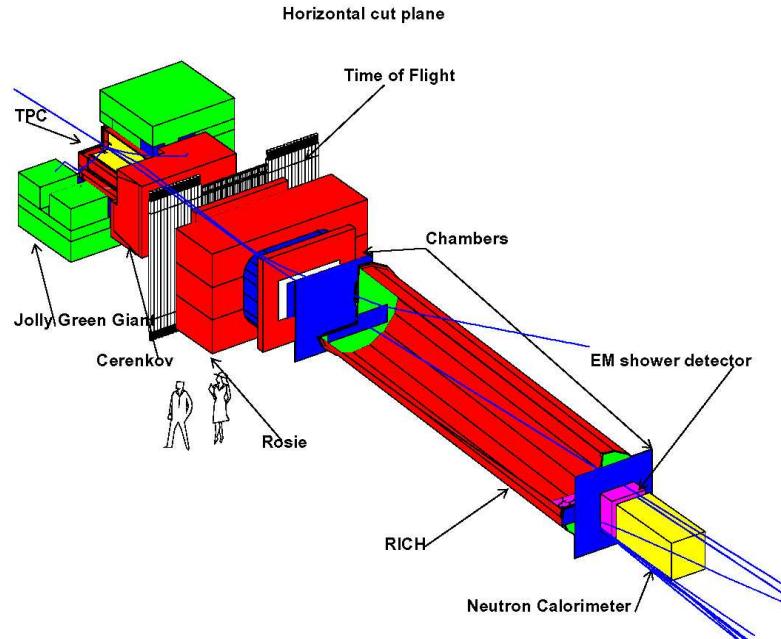
- Effect of a 15% reduction in \bar{K}^+ production

Future hadron-production results



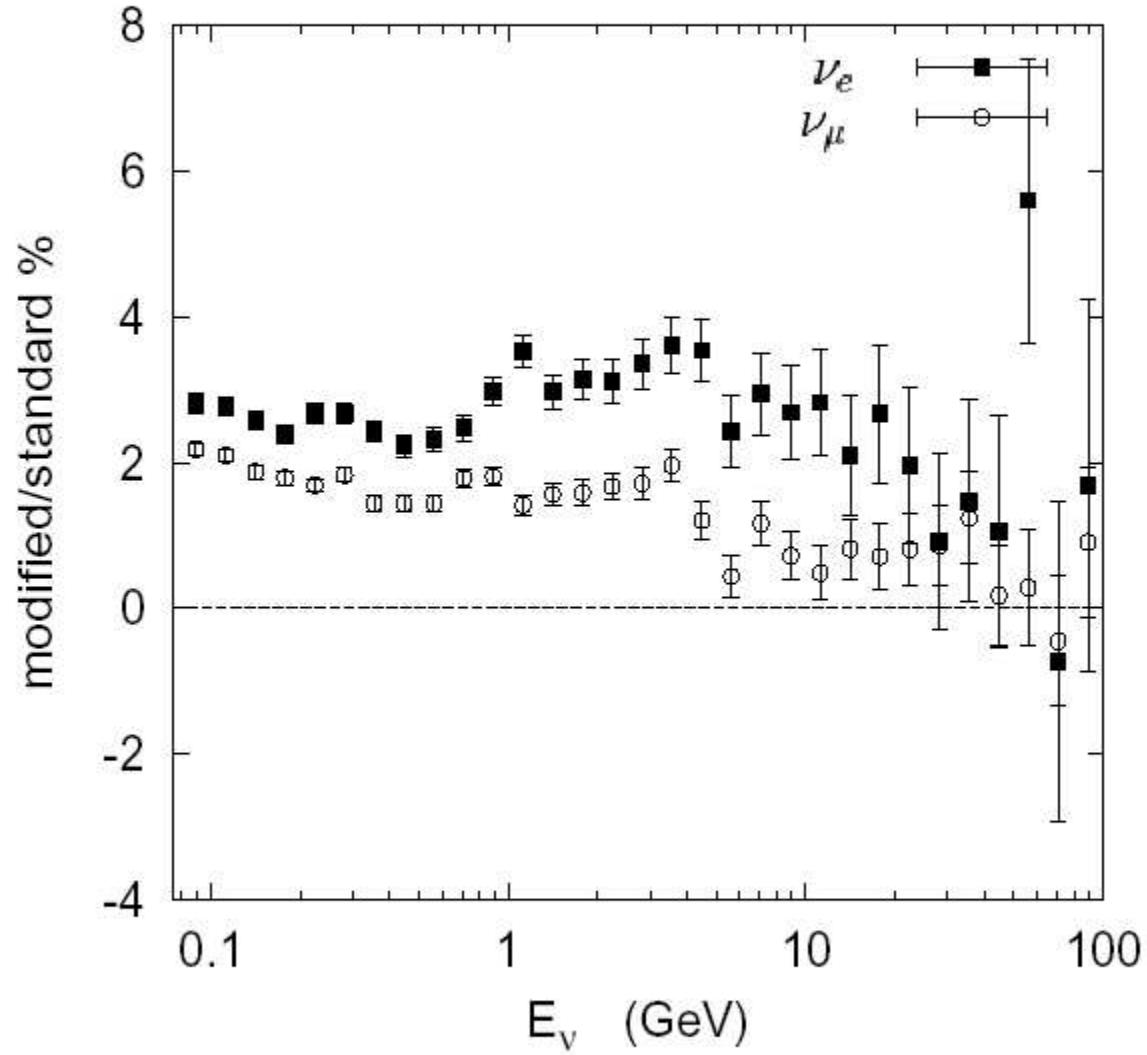
MIPP

Main Injector Particle Production Experiment (FNAL-E907)



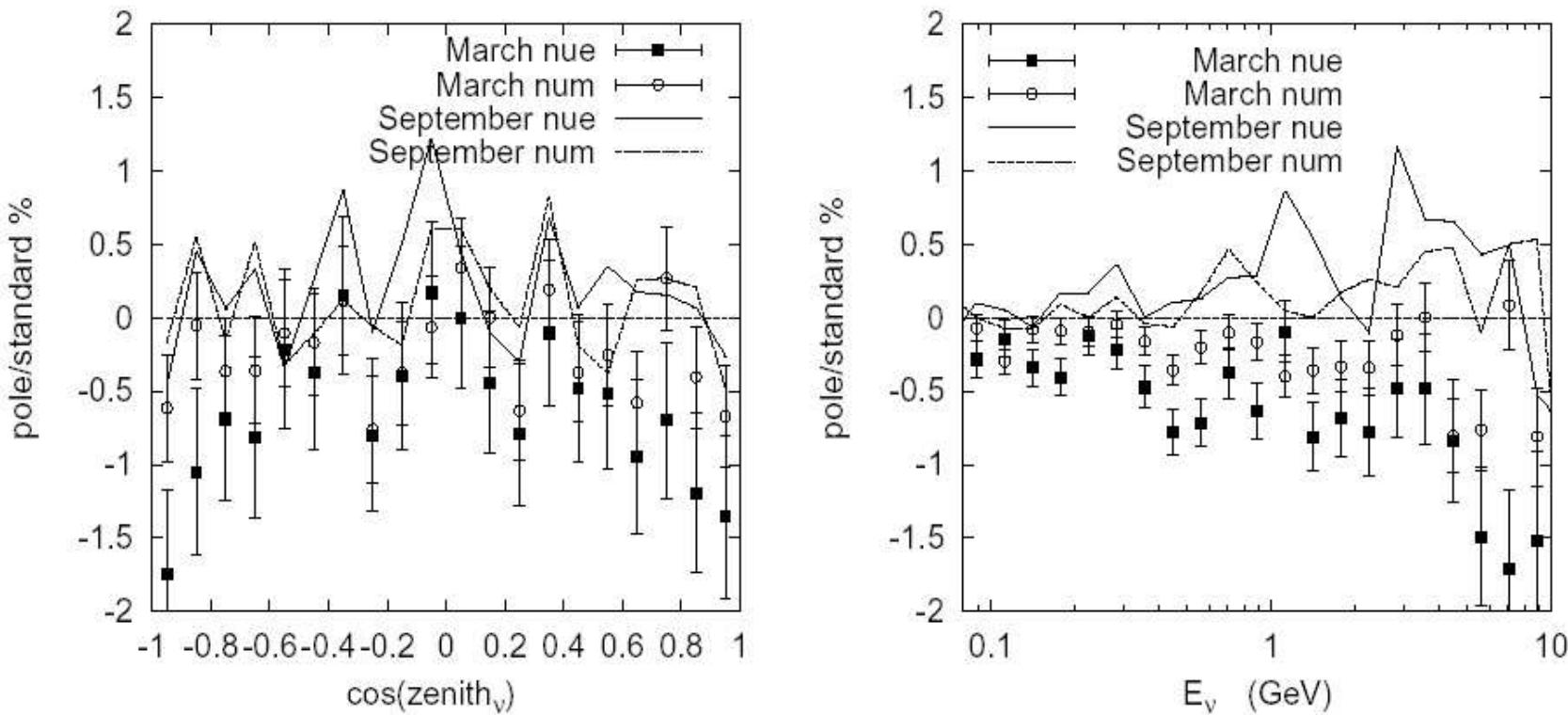
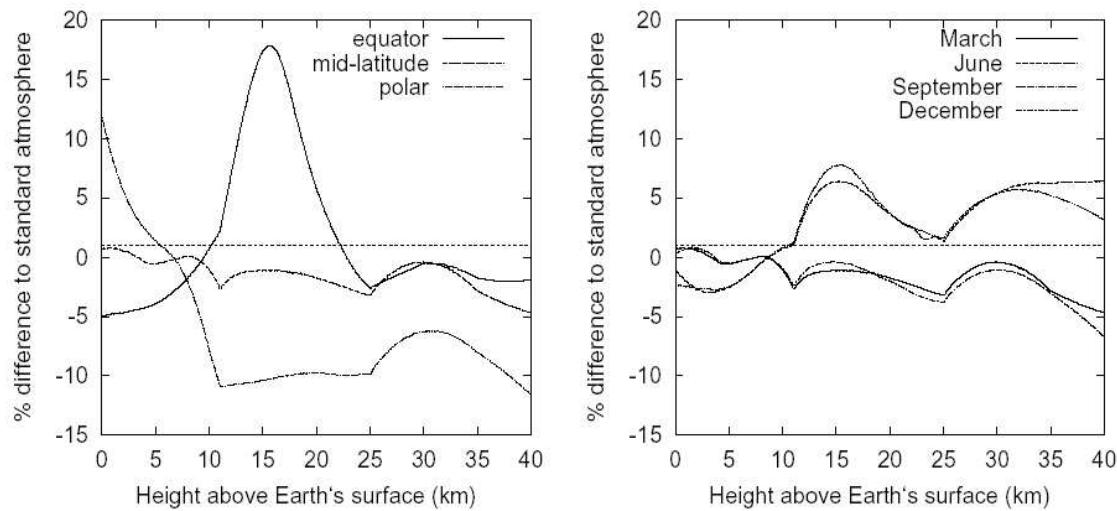
HARP 3-15 GeV at **CERN PS**
MIPP 5-120 GeV at **FNAL MI**
NA49 100,160 GeV at **SPS**

Cross section change

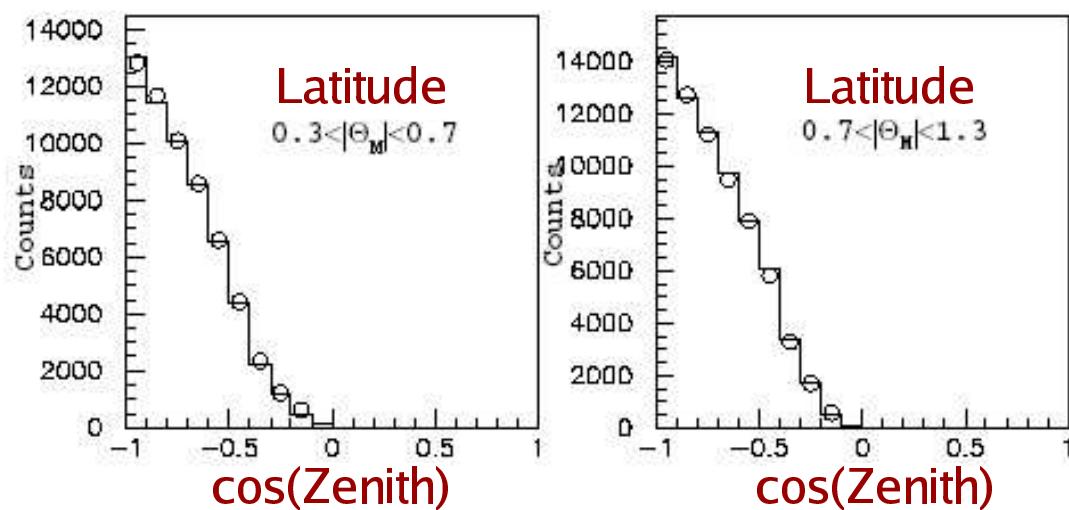
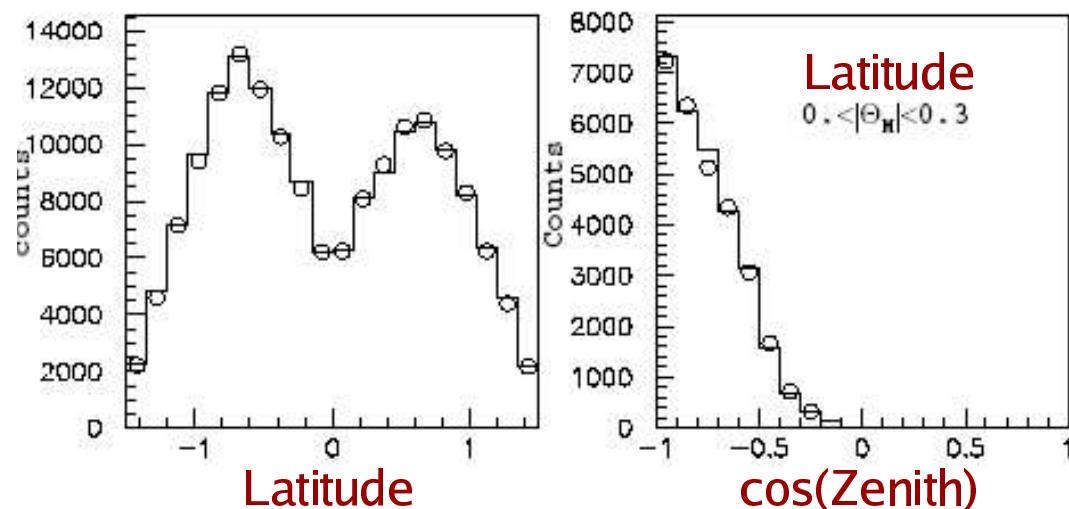


Effect of artificial
increase in **total**
cross section of
15%

Other effects: Atmospheric Density



Other effects: Magnetic field



From: Favier, Kossakowski
and Vialle.
PRD 68 093006 (2003)

Method A: Generate far from Earth
Earth, propagate in (Circles)

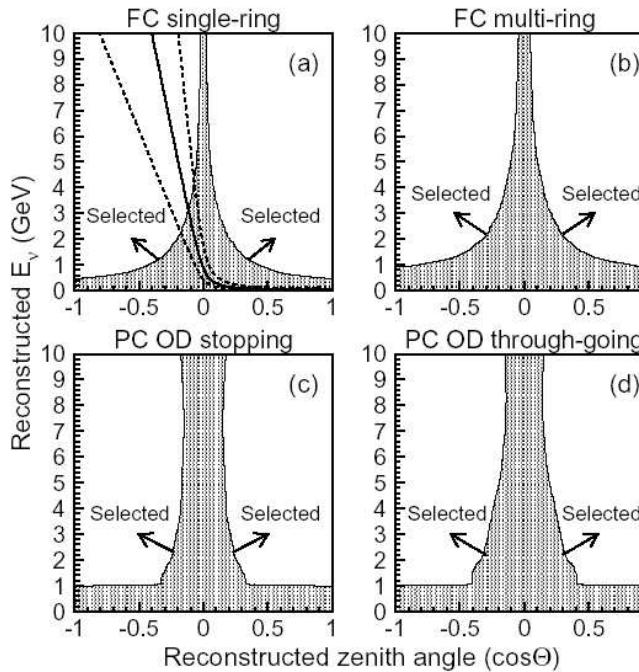
Method B: Generate near earth
and propagate charge-
reversed out.

Return to 3D: Is it important?

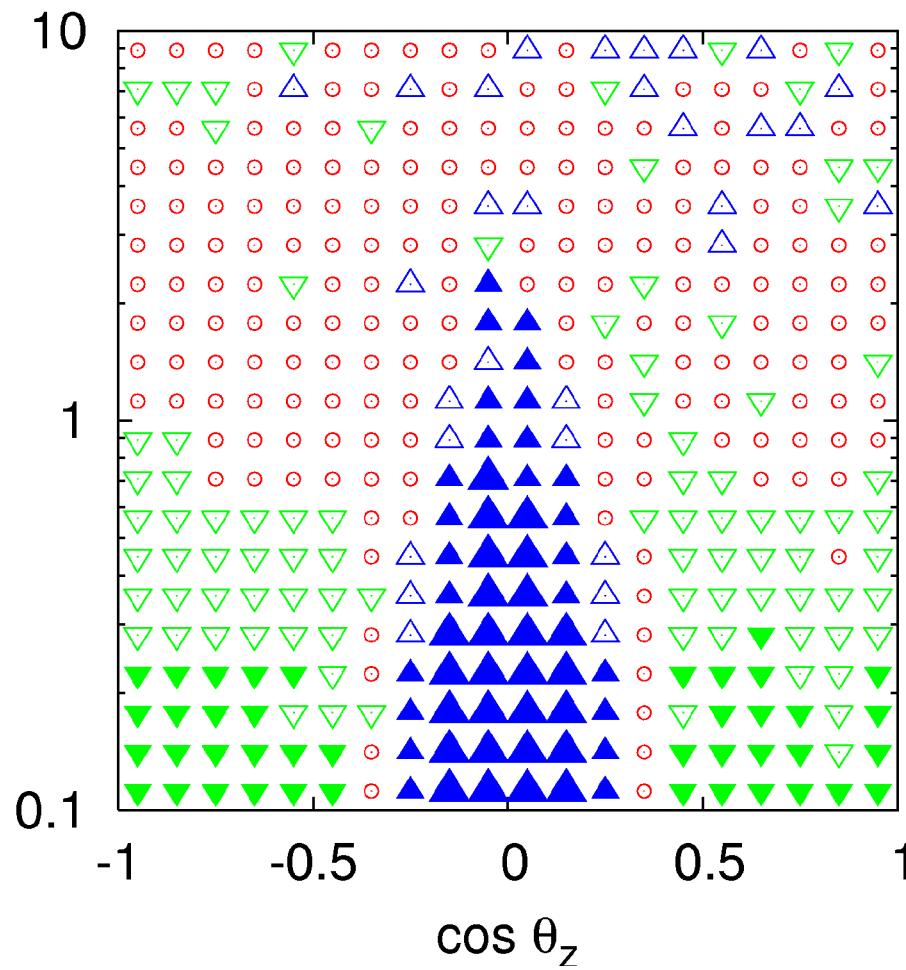
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Difference between 3D and 1D calculations

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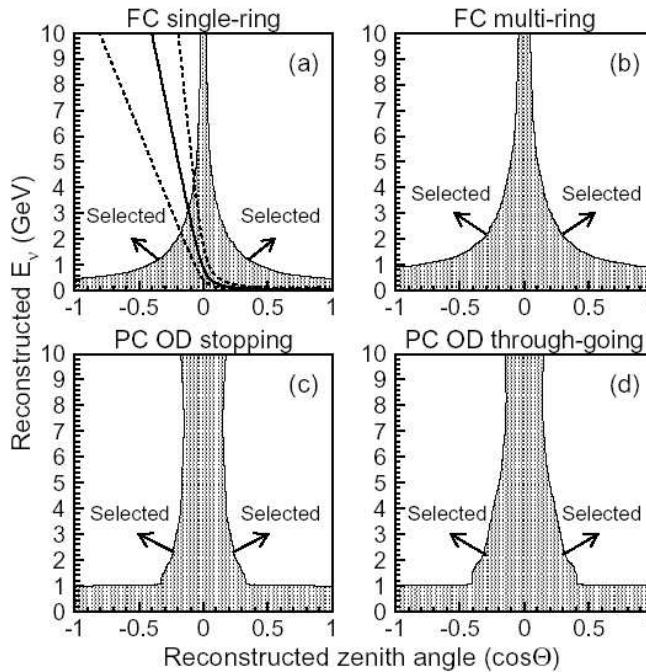


Reconstructed E_ν (GeV)



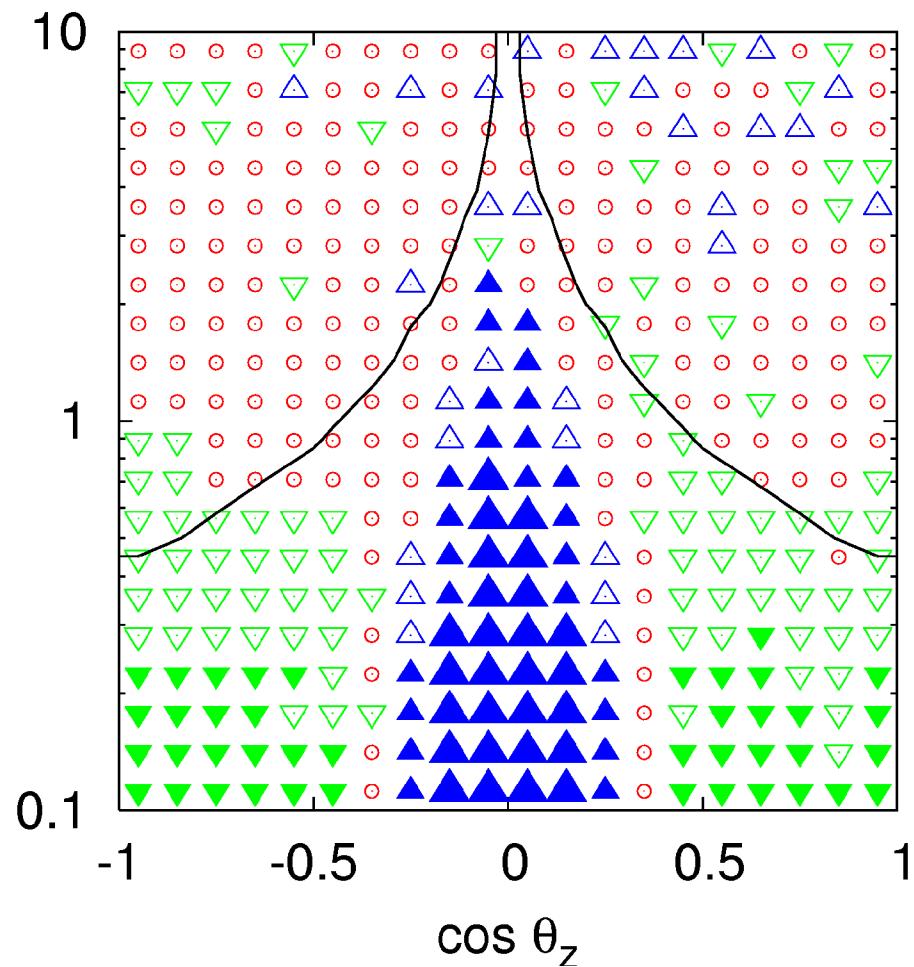
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Conclusions

- Since early days of nucleon decay expts and the atmospheric neutrino ‘anomaly’:
 - Large increase in calculation sophistication
 - Much improved primary fluxes
 - Hadron production data still needed
- 3D effects now well understood.