# **T2**K: Recent Results and Future Plans



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- Motivation
- T2K Experiment
- Oscillation Results:
  - Muon (+Anti-)Neutrino Disappearance
  - Electron (+Anti-)Neutrino Appearance
  - Joint Fits
- Prospects, Outlook and Summary



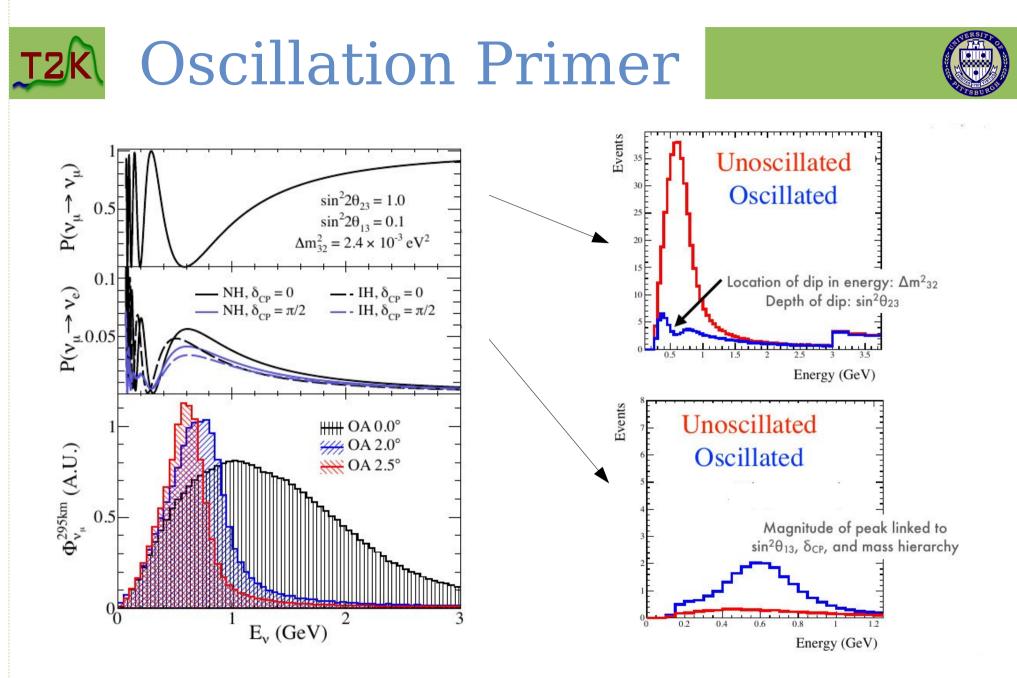




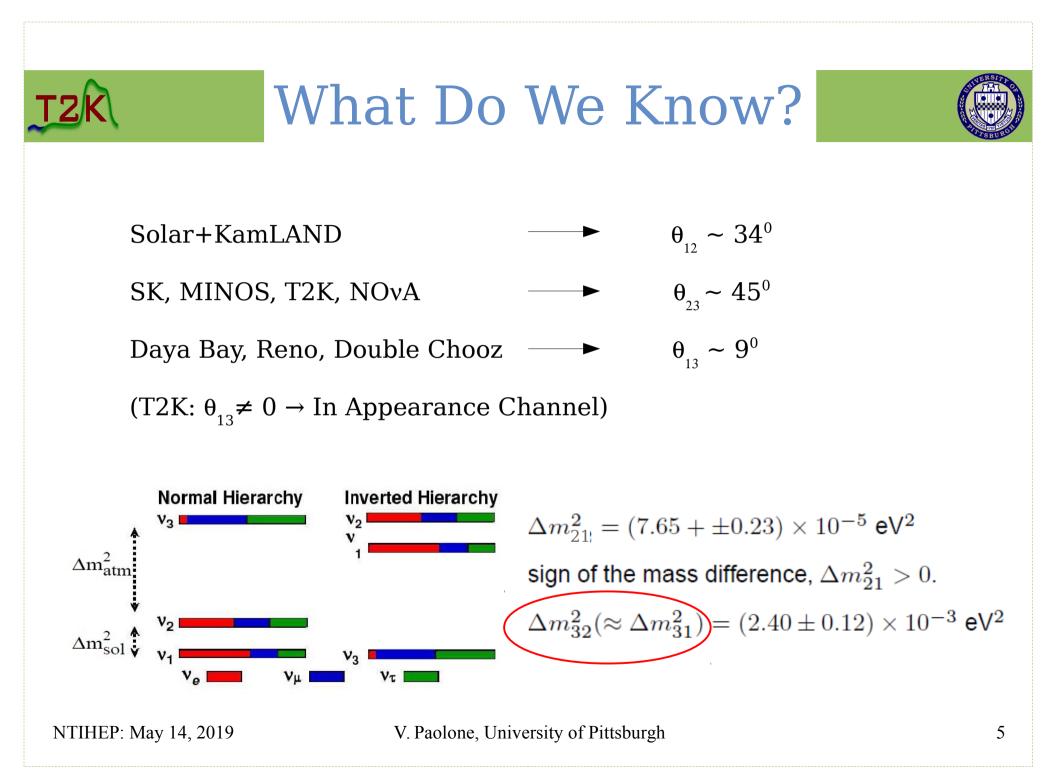
# JZR 3-Flavor Mixing



 3-flavor mixing describes (almost) all neutrino oscillation phenomena (3 mixing angles, 2 independent mass splittings, 1 CPV phase)



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- Value CP-Violating Phase: δ
- $\theta_{23}$  Maximal? Octant? (< or > 45°)
- Sign of the mass difference: Δm<sup>2</sup><sub>32</sub> = m<sup>2</sup><sub>3</sub> m<sup>2</sup><sub>2</sub>
   Normal Ordering (NO) > 0
   Inverted Ordering (IO) < 0</li>
- Are there any more v's? (sterile)

# Are Neutrinos Dirac or Majorana? Absolute Mass Scale

## Tzk The T2K Experiment (Tokai to Kamioka)



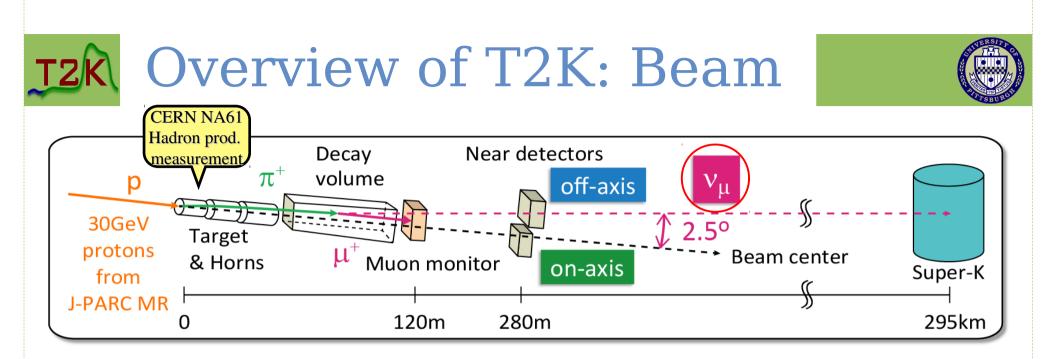


#### **Goals:**

• Study  $v_e^{}$  and  $\overline{v}_e^{}$  appearance  $(v_{\mu}^{} \rightarrow v_e^{}, \overline{v}_{\mu}^{} \rightarrow \overline{v}_e^{})$ : Explore  $\delta_{CP}^{}$  and  $\theta_{13, 23}^{}$ 

• Precision measurement of  $v_{\mu}$  and  $\overline{v}_{\mu}$  disappearance: Explore  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^2$ 

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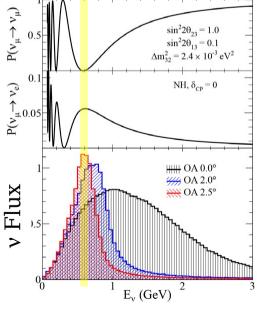
#### First Use of Off-axis $\nu_{\mu}$ Beam:

Intense & high-quality beam (Beam direction stability < 1mrad)</p>

- ~1 mrad shift corresponds to ~2% energy shift at peak
- Low-energy narrow-band beam

 $\bullet$  Can choose between v and  $\overline{v}$  by changing current direction in horns

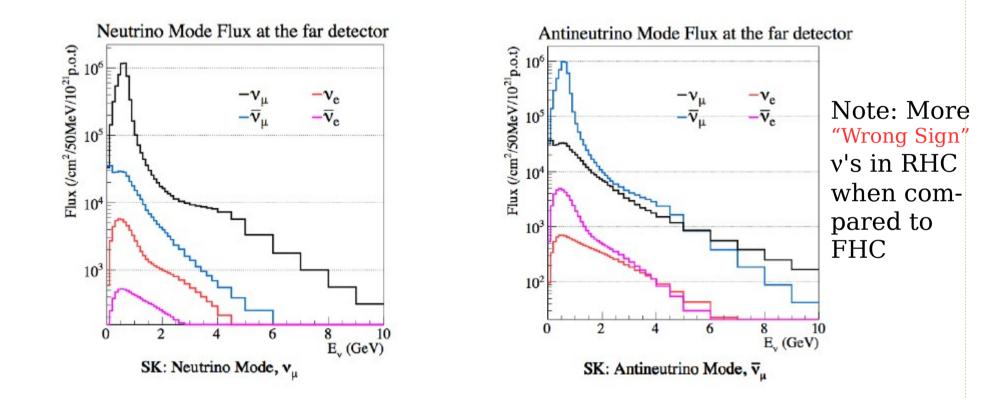
- $E_v$  peak around oscillation maximum (~0.6 GeV)
- Small high-energy tail  $\rightarrow$  reduces feed-down background events
- $\pi$ ,K production at target was measured using CERN NA61 exp.



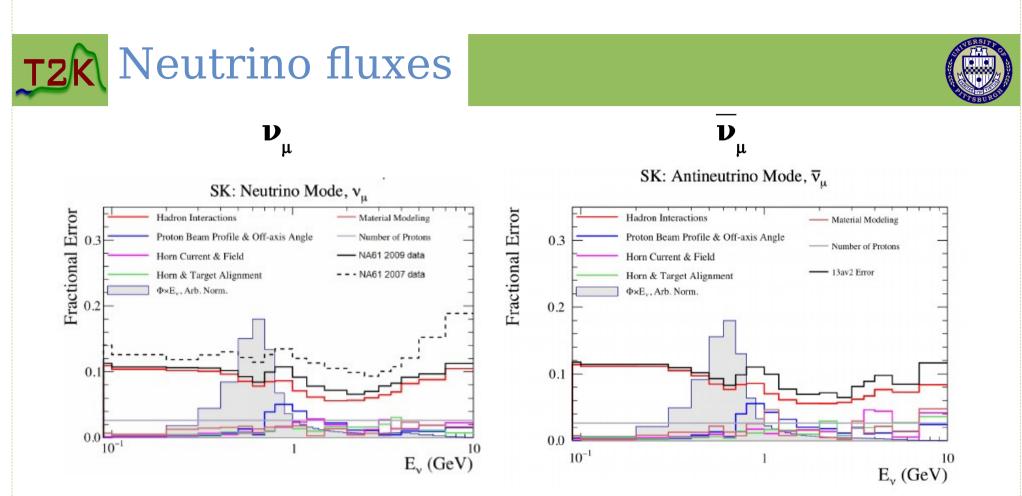


## **Beam Configurations**





v – mode known as "forward horn current" (FHC) or "positive focusing" (PF)  $\overline{v}$  – mode known as "reverse horn current" (RHC) or "negative focusing" (NF)



Present flux uncertainties smaller than 8% (at peak)

• Main systematics due to the hadron interactions modeling  $\rightarrow$ 

• With NA61/SHINE measurements using T2K replica target  $\rightarrow$  goal <5%

## At These Energies Neutrino Cross-sections are Poorly Known

#### • V oscillations:

#### $\rightarrow$ We are now in a period of precision neutrino oscillation measurements

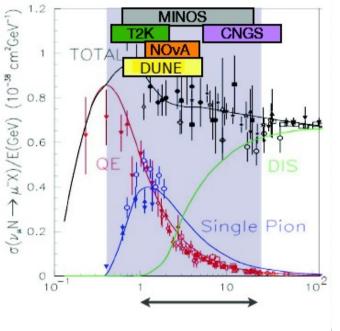
#### $\rightarrow$ Note oscillation probability depends on $E_{_{\!\nu}}$

- However Experiments Calculate  $E_{rec}$
- $E_{_{rec}}$  depends on Flux,  $\sigma$ , detector response, interaction multiplicities, target type, particle type produced and final state interactions:  $E_{_{rec}}$  not equal to  $E_{_{v}}$
- $\rightarrow$  Appearance Oscillation Measurements:
  - Large  $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{_{13}}$  and CP violation systematics important
  - Need to understand backgrounds to  $\nu_{e}$  searches:



# • Need Precision understanding of Low energy (Few GeV) $v_{\mu} \& \overline{v}_{\mu}$ cross sections to improve models.

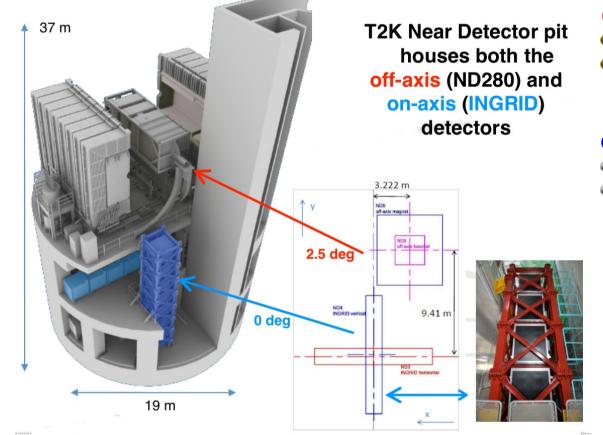
→ T2K has a rich program in non-oscillation physics ( v cross sections)





# Overview of T2K: Near Detectors(ND280)



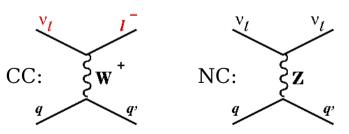


**On-Axis Detector** (INGRID) Monitor v: • Beam direction

Beam Intensity

#### **Off-Axis Detector:**

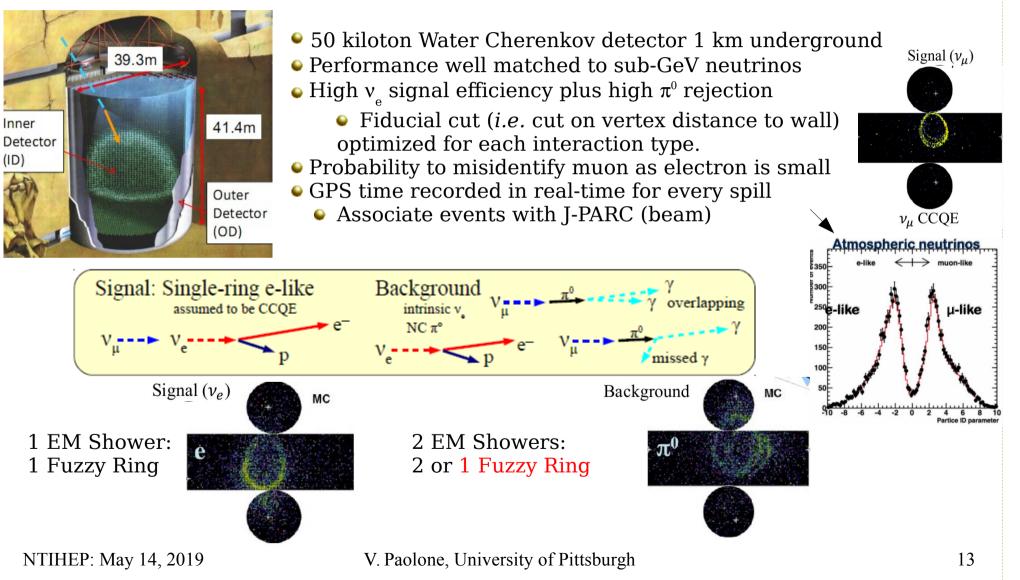
- In SK Direction
- Measure:
  - v flux
  - Cross-section measurements using water targets to reduce systematic errors on oscillation parameters



 $\rightarrow$  Used for monitoring of beam, flux constraints and systematic error reduction

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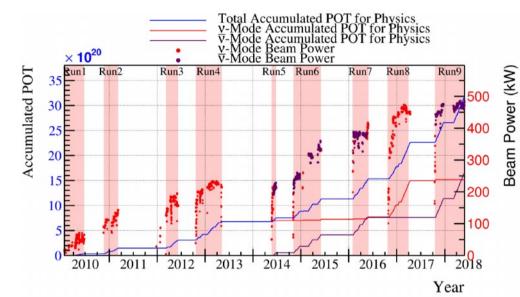
## The T2K Far Detector: Super-Kamiokande





## Analyzed Data

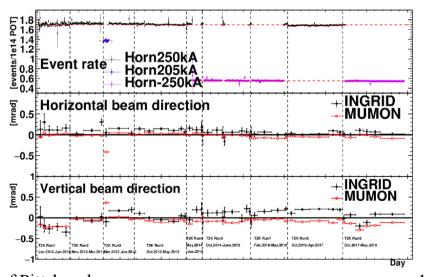




Required beam direction stability achieved (< 1mrad)

Analyzed data:  $\rightarrow$  v-mode: 14.9 ×10<sup>20</sup> POT  $\rightarrow$  v-mode: 16.3 ×10<sup>20</sup> POT (~50/50)  $\rightarrow$  Total: 30.2 ×10<sup>20</sup> POT (POT – Protons on Target)

#### Total delivered POT to T2K : 31.6 x 10<sup>20</sup>)



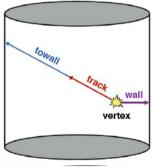


## Far Detector (SK): Event Timing

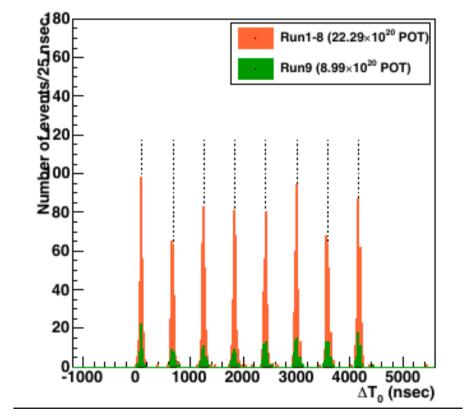
#### • T2K beam timing

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- Time window of  $(-2\mu s, +10\mu s)$
- Fully Contained (FC) definition
- No signal in Outer Detector (OD)
- Fiducial volume definition:



Sample	Towall Cut	Wall Cut
CCQE 1-Ring e-like FHC	170 cm	80 cm
CCQE 1-Ring µ-like FHC	250 cm	50 cm
$CC1\pi$ 1-Ring e-like FHC	270 cm	50 cm
CCQE 1-Ring e-like RHC	170 cm	80 cm
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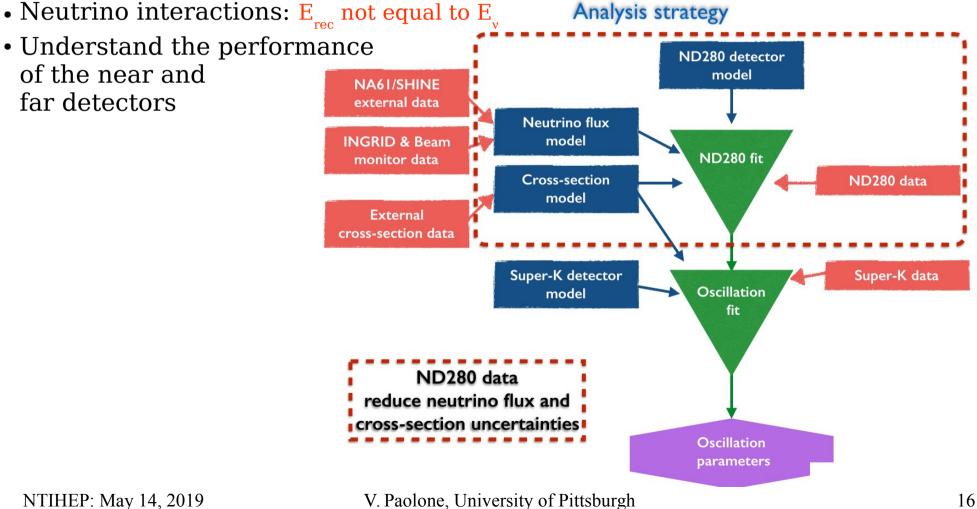
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# **JZK** Oscillation Parameter Fitting Procedure



To extract v oscillation parameters we need to model:

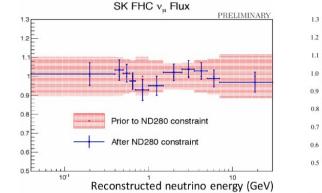
• The neutrino flux

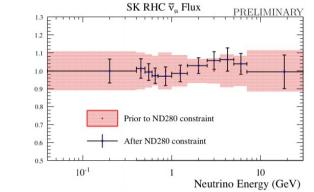


### **Σ**κ Flux & ν Background Constraints using ND280

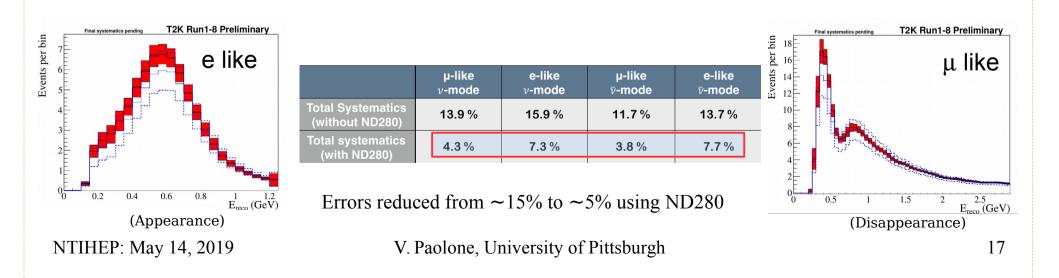


- Select charged-current (CC) events in ND280
- Separate into 3 categories (CCQE, CC Resonance, CC DIS)
  - Parameters from simultaneous fit of 3 samples
  - Used for prediction of Super-K neutrino spectrum w/o oscillation





ND280 constraints provides significant reduction of uncertainty at Super-K: Increases the effectiveness of each proton on target







### **Disappearance (anti-)neutrino results...** (Test for CPT Violation or a search for non-standard v interactions)

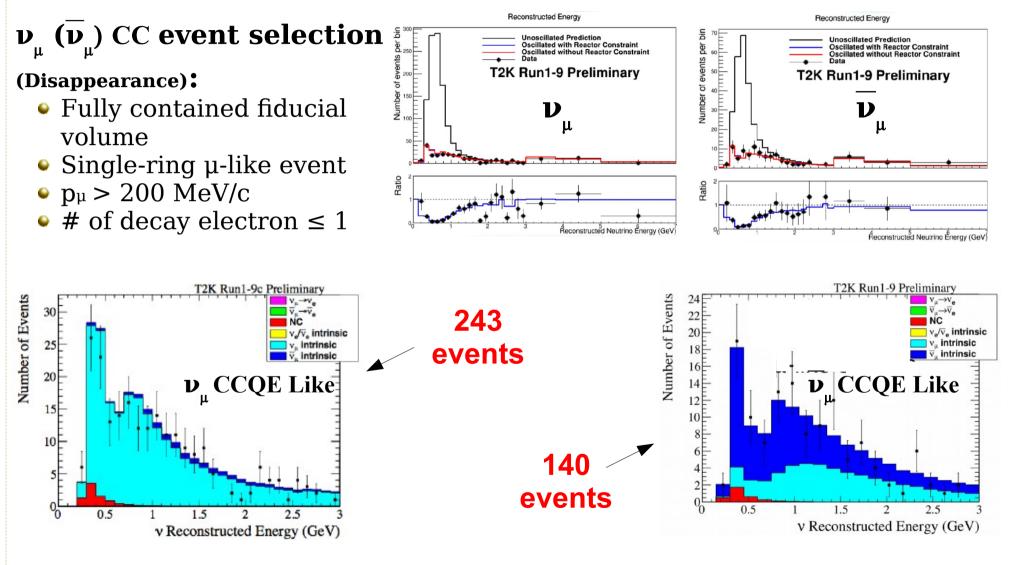
$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}) \approx 1 - (\cos^2 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{23}) \sin^2 (\Delta m_{32}^2 \frac{L}{4E}) \qquad \qquad \mathbf{Sensitive to:} \\ \mathbf{\theta}_{_{23}}, |\Delta m_{_{31}}^2| (\sim |\Delta m_{_{32}}^2|) \end{cases}$$

## • $\theta_{23}$ Maximal? Octant? (< or > 45°)

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# T2K T2K: Disappearance Event Selection

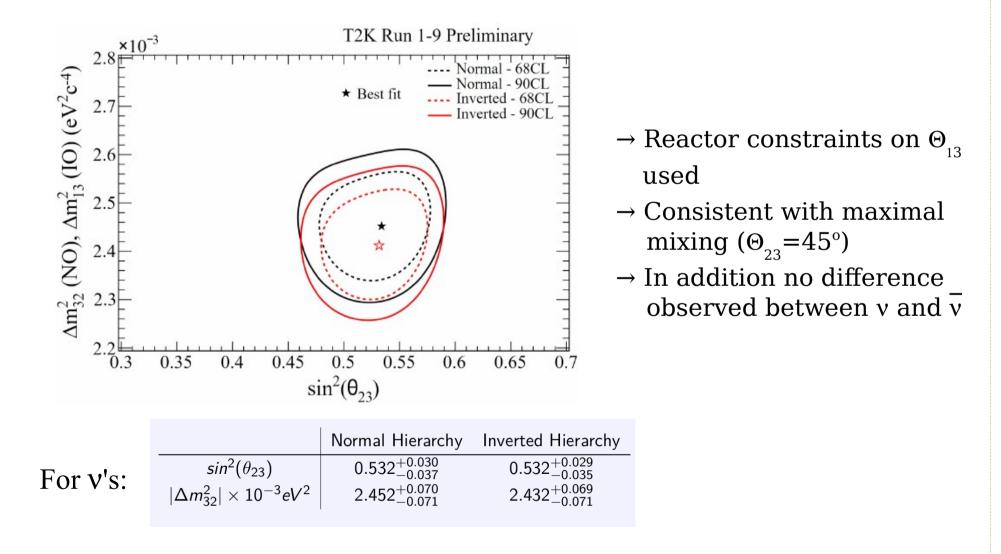




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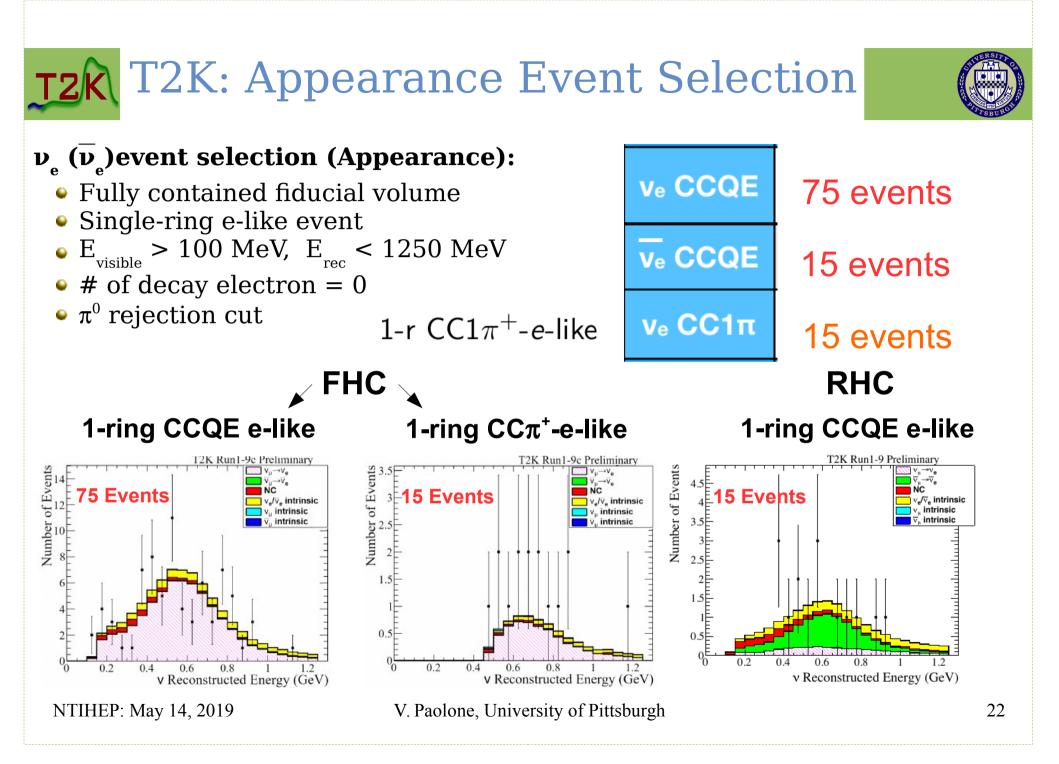


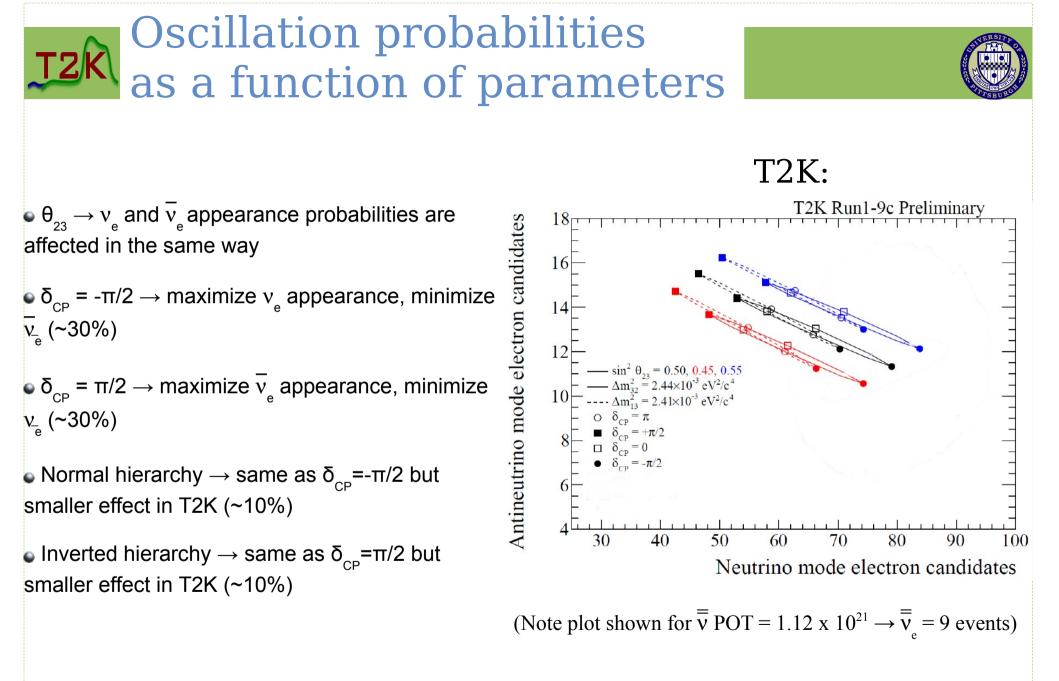


### **Appearance (anti-)neutrino results...**

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) \approx \sin^{2} \theta_{23} \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \sin^{2} \left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^{2}L}{4E_{\nu}}\right) \left(1 + \frac{2a}{\Delta m_{31}^{2}}\left(1 - 2\sin^{2} \theta_{13}\right)\right)$$
  
-  $\sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{13} \cos \theta_{13} \sin \delta \sin^{2} \left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^{2}L}{4E_{\nu}}\right) \sin \left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2}L}{4E_{\nu}}\right)$   
[ $(P(\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e}) \delta$  turns into -  $\delta$  and a to -a ("a" matter effect term)]  
Sensitive to:  
 $\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}, \theta_{23}, \Delta m_{31}^{2}$ 

## We measure "P" → Degeneracies... • CP-Violating Phase: δ









Sample	Predicted				Observed	Systematic uncertainty
	$\delta_{_{\rm CP}} = -\pi/2$	$\delta_{_{\rm CP}} = 0$	$\delta_{_{\rm CP}} = +\pi/2$	δCP = π		for prediction
ν mode μ-like	272.4	272.0	272.4	272.8	243	5.1%
$\overline{\nu}$ mode $\mu$ -like	139.5	139.2	139.5	139.9	140	4.5%
ν mode e-like	74.4	62.2	50.6	62.7	75	8.8%
⊽ mode e-like	17.1	19.4	21.7	19.3	15	7.1%
$\nu$ mode e-like + 1 $\pi^+$	7.0	6.1	4.9	5.9	15	18.4%

• Preference for  $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2 \rightarrow \text{maximize } \nu_{e}$  appearance probability, minimize  $\overline{\nu}_{e}$  appearance

• Larger effect in e-like+1 $\pi$  (2.5% probability of observing 15 events when 6.9 are expected)

• For  $\overline{\nu}_{e}$  appearance background level is ~6.3 events  $\rightarrow$  No strong statistical conclusion

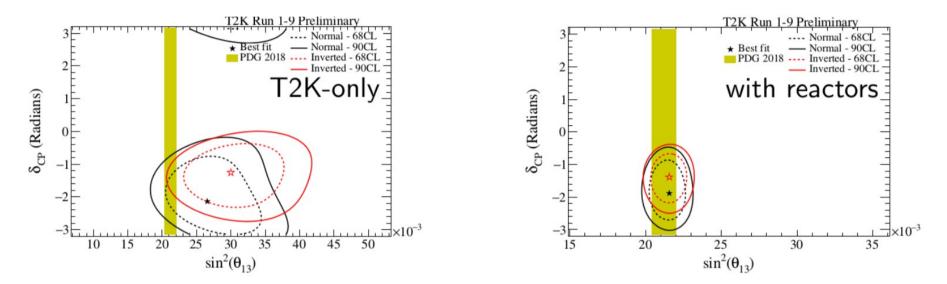
• In  $\nu$ -mode deficit of  $\mu$ -like events  $\rightarrow$  compatible with our systematic uncertainties model





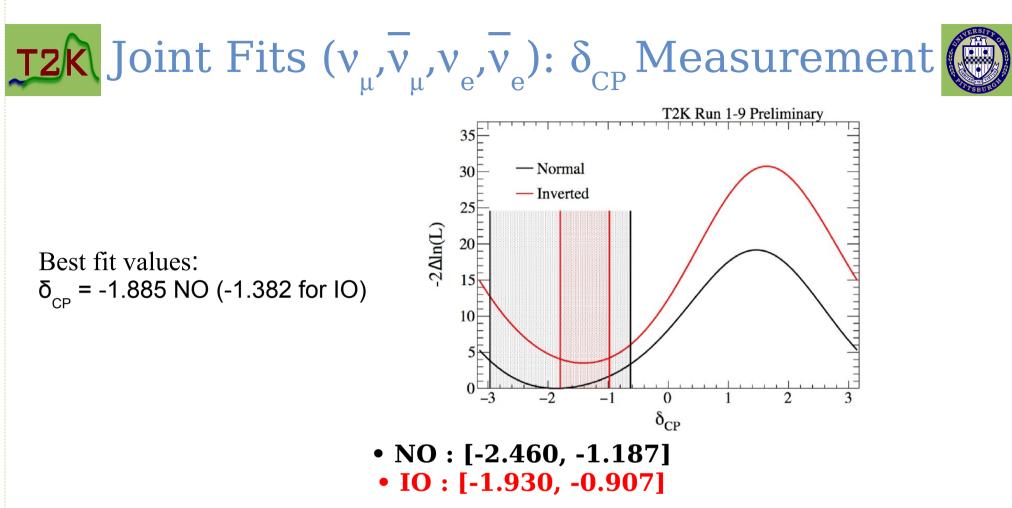
T2K Result with Reactor Constraint

#### T2K-Only



- T2K results consistent with reactor results
- Data prefer maximal CPV: δ<sub>CP</sub>=-π/2
  - $_{\bullet}$  With reactor constraints: stronger preference for values of  $\delta_{_{\rm CP}} \thicksim$  -1/2
  - Even though statistics are small  $\overline{\nu}_{_{\rm e}}$  results reinforce maximal CPV observed for  $\nu_{_{\rm e}}$  data

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• 2σ interval calculated with Feldman&Cousins method

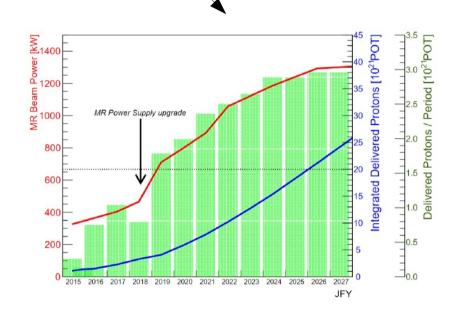
• CP conserving values (0,  $\pm \pi$ ) outside of  $2\sigma$  region for both mass orderings





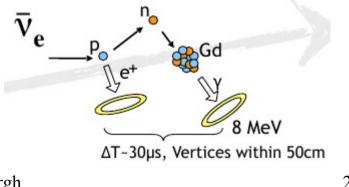
- JPARC expected to deliver higher power beam in the future
- T2K-II (run extension)
- Upgrade plans (2021):
  - Near detector





T2K phase 2 goal: reduce systematics to  $\sim 4\%$ 

- Far detector (add Gd to SK)
  - Enhance neutron detection capability
  - Improved low energy  $\overline{v}$  detection



# **TZR Summary and Outlook**



- T2K has accumulated a total of  $3.16 \times 10^{21}$  POT (~50/50  $\nu$  and  $\overline{\nu}$  modes) (~40% of T2K's approved POT Full amount expected by 2020-21)
- Joint analysis across all modes of oscillation  $\nu_{\mu,e}/\overline{\nu}_{\mu,e}$  disappearance, appearance
  - Constraints from near detector (ND280) measurements incorporated
  - $\bullet$  These data show a preference for maximal  $\theta_{_{23}}$  mixing,  $\delta_{_{CP}}\sim -\pi/2$  and NO
    - Manifested by "maximal"  $\nu_{\mu}/\overline{\nu_{\mu}}$  disappearance, "large"  $\nu_{\mu}$  appearance, "small"  $\overline{\nu_{\mu}}$  appearance
- Stable beam power @485 kW achieved this year
  - Approved upgrades for >750 kW operation
  - A proposed extension of T2K(T2K II). In 2016 Stage I approval:
    - Accelerator and beam line upgrades to improve beam power to 1.3 MW
       Allowing 20×10<sup>21</sup> POT to be accumulated by ~2026
    - Primary goals are >3 $\sigma$  sensitivity to CPV and < 2° resolution on  $\Theta_{23}$
- Healthy competition and complementarity between T2K and NOvA
  - Joint analysis plans in the works

#### → Stay Tuned: More oscillation results to come...

## The T2K Collaboration



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# **JZR** Backup Slides



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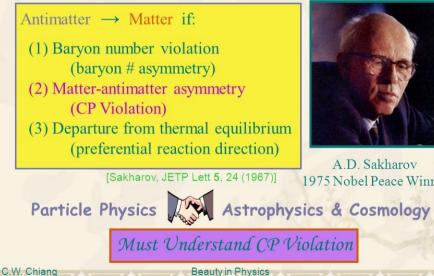
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TZR Motivation



#### The Sakharov Conditions





A.D. Sakharov 1975 Nobel Peace Winner

Discovery of CP Violation in Lepton Sector Critical Current evidence of CP

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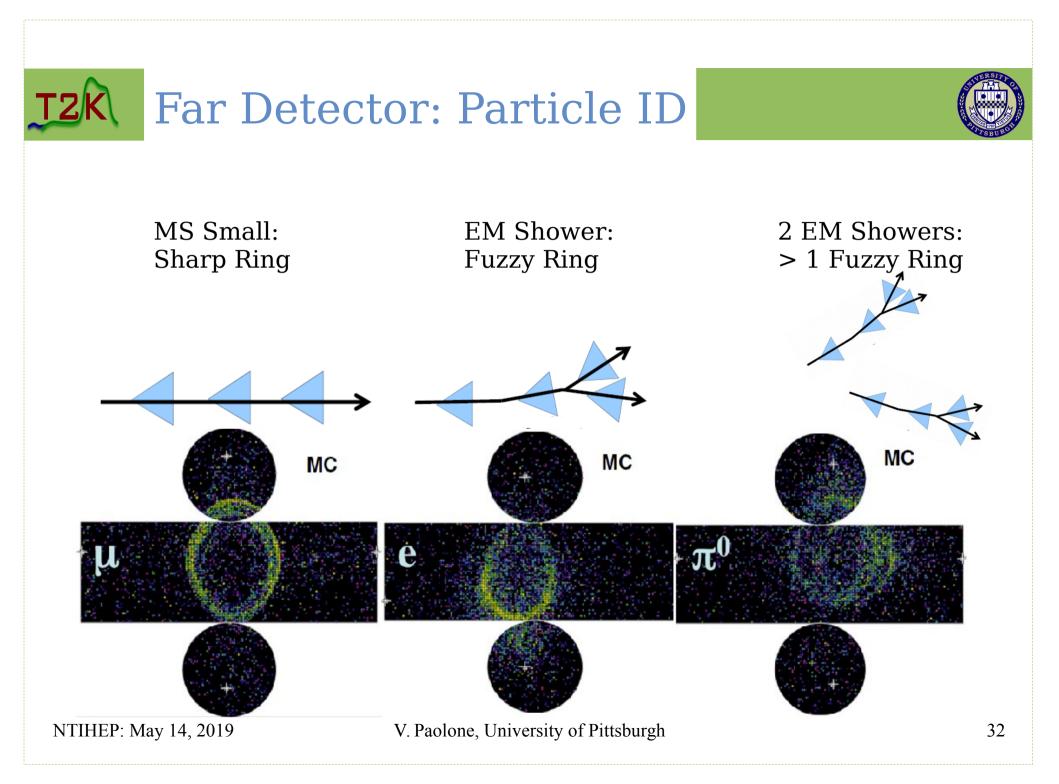
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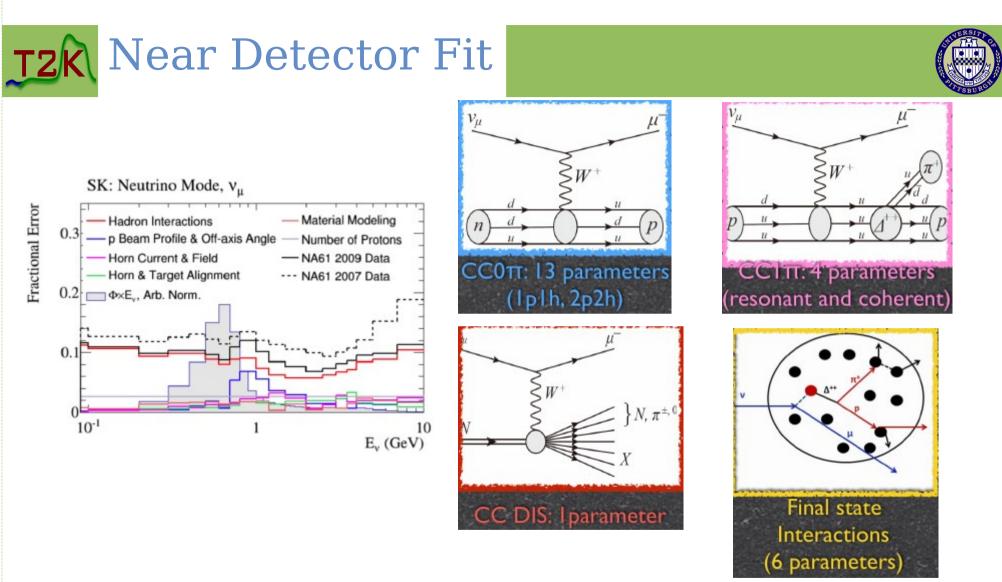
- violation confined to the quark sector.
- Kaons and B-Mesons<sup>1,2</sup>
- Need additional CP violation sector to account for observed matter-antimatter

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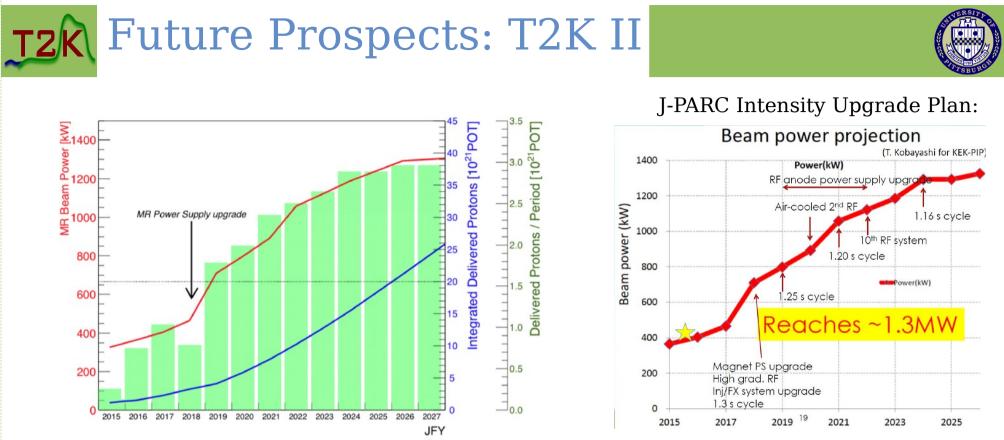
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Matter





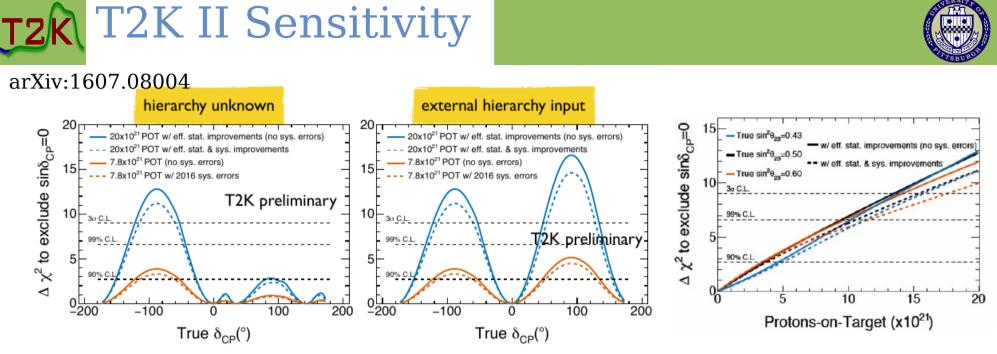
 $\bullet$  Combined flux and cross section systematic uncertainties produce  ${\sim}15\%$  systematic errors in T2K's oscillation analyses.



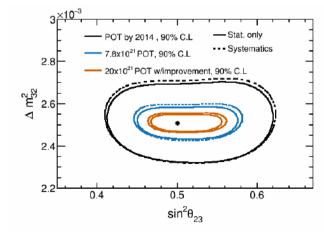
- Presently T2K approved for  $7.8 \times 10^{21}$  POT
  - Projected to reach around 2020

• 1<sup>st</sup> stage of J-PARC main ring power supply upgrade approved

- Major step in achieving > 1 MW beam power (currently 420 kW)
- T2K-II extends T2K accumulated POT to  $20 \times 10^{21}$  POT
  - With further accelerator and beam-line upgrades expect 1.3 MW
  - Goal could be reached in 2026



#### Goals:



•~ $3\sigma$  sensitivity to CP violation for favorable (and currently favored) parameters

- Precise measurement of  $\theta_{23}$ :
  - Octant resolution if  $\theta_{_{23}}$  at the edge of currently allowed region
  - Otherwise measure  $\theta_{_{23}}$  with a resolution of  $1.7^{\circ}$  or better

# **T2K and NOvA Comparisons**



- Both T2K and NOvA are studying the same physics
  - However they are using different detection technologies
    - This is a good thing
- As mentioned both measure  $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e})$  and  $P(\overline{v}_{\mu} \rightarrow \overline{v}_{e})$  but...
  - In the PMNS framework these are functions of several parameters
    - *i.e.* Baseline for NOvA is 810km and 295km for T2K
      - Longer baselines have greater sensitivity to the Mass Ordering
- The joint measurements of T2K and NOvA important in untangling the physics parameters embedded in  $P(v_{\parallel} \rightarrow v_{\rho})$  and  $P(\bar{v}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{v}_{e})$ , specifically  $\delta_{CP}$ 
  - Preparing for a joint working group: Three workshops already held. NTIHEP: May 14, 2019 V. Paolone, University of Pittsburgh





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