

The Future of Neutrino Telescopes: Neutrino Sources and New Physics

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Code available at <https://github.com/songningqiang/FANFIC>



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High Energy Astrophysical Neutrinos

- Pion decay ($\nu_e : \nu_\mu : \nu_\tau = (1 : 2 : 0)$)

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_e$$

- Muon-damped ($\nu_e : \nu_\mu : \nu_\tau = (0 : 1 : 0)$)

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

$$\cancel{\mu} \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_e$$

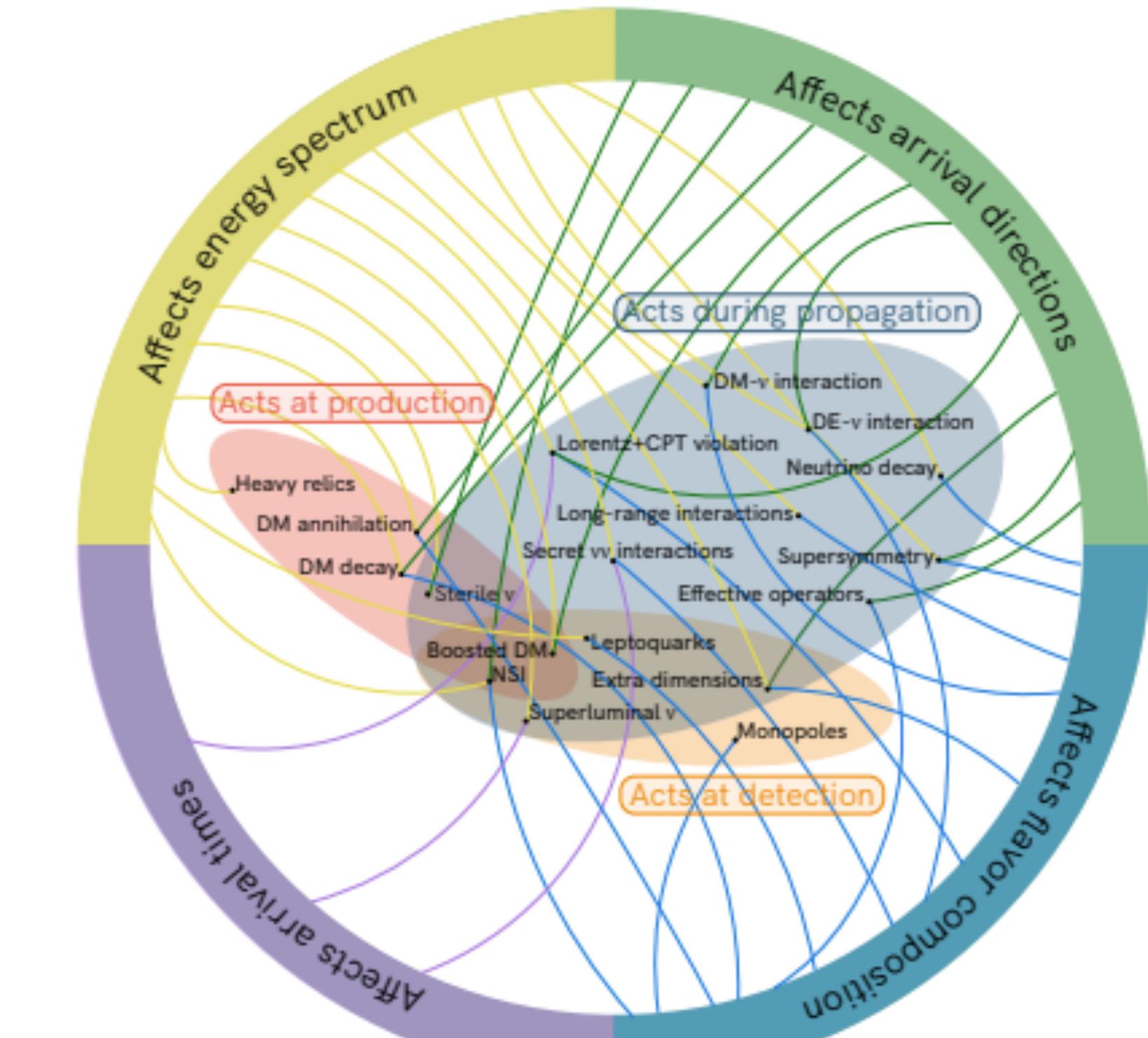
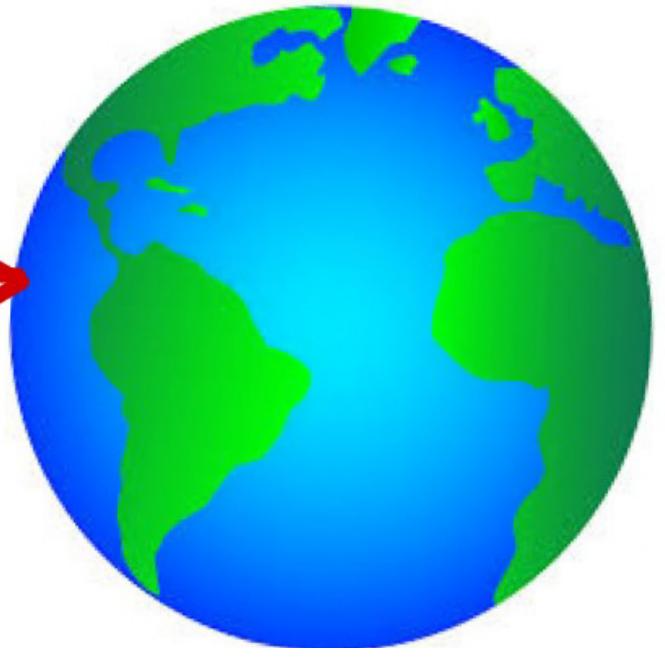
- Neutron decay ($\nu_e : \nu_\mu : \nu_\tau = (1 : 0 : 0)$)

$$n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$$



ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ

Cosmological distance



Argüelles et al, 1907.08690

Neutrino Flavor at Earth

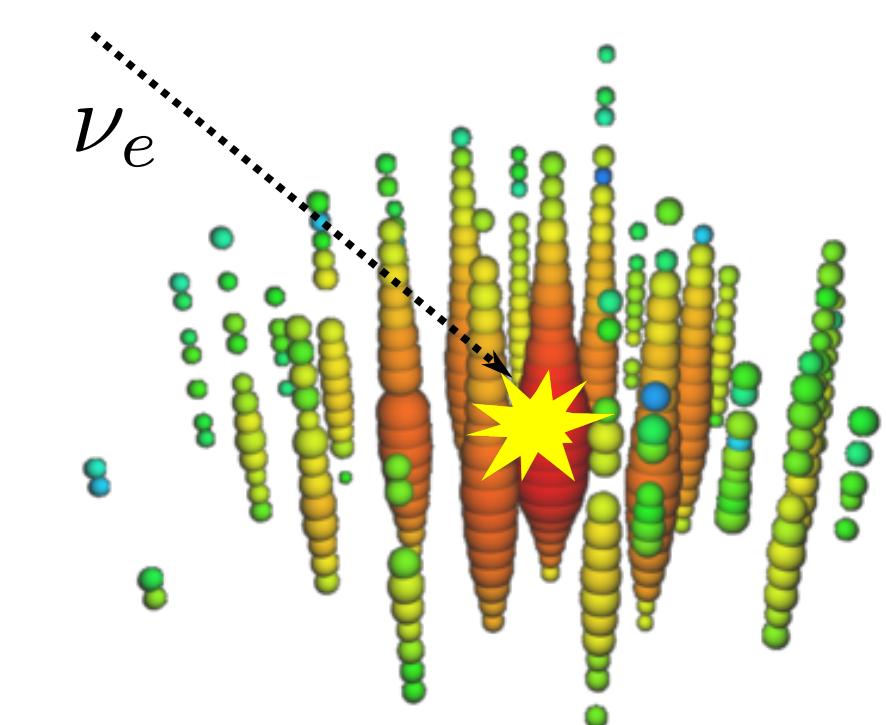
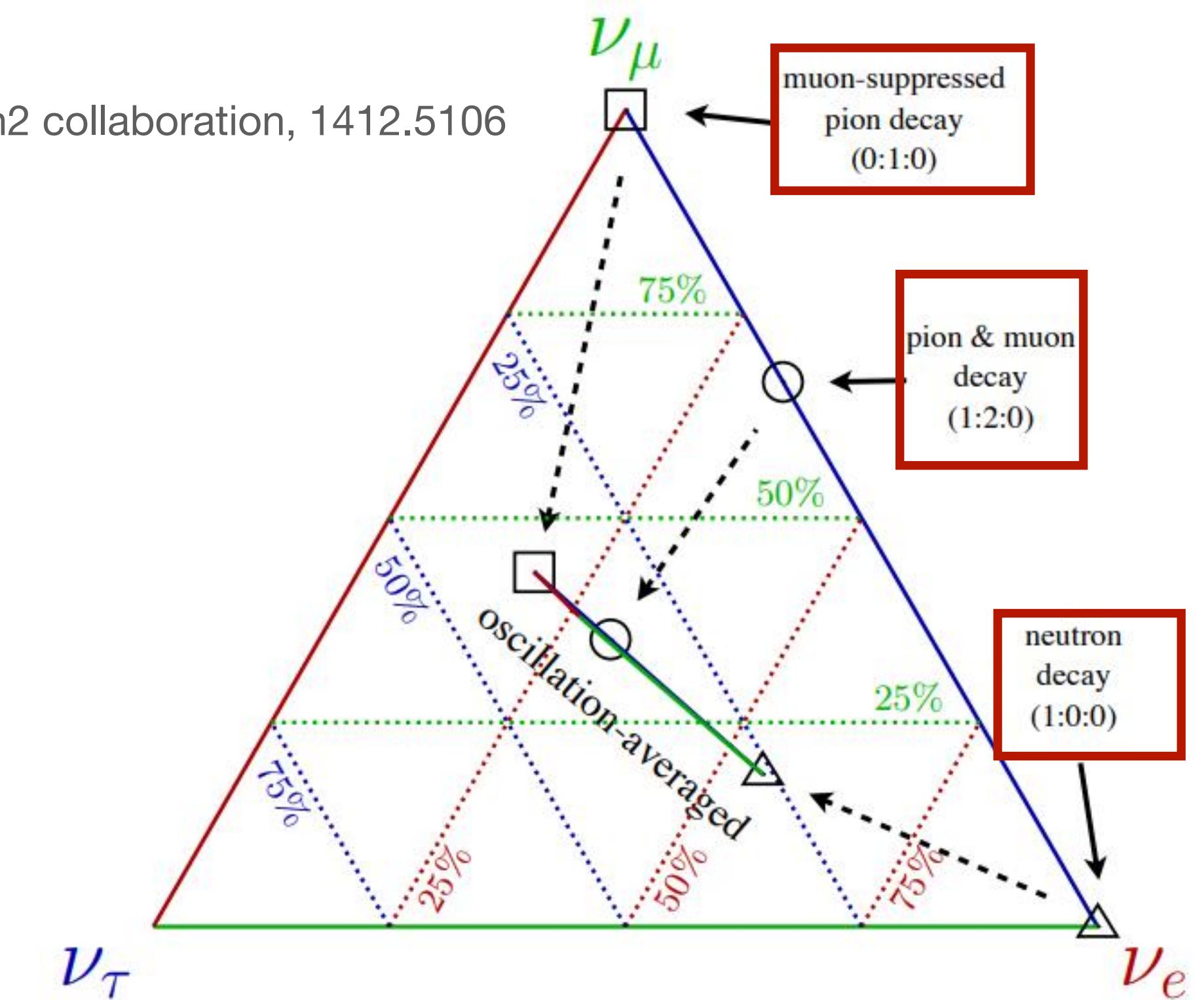
IC-Gen2 collaboration, 1412.5106

- Neutrinos oscillate from source to Earth

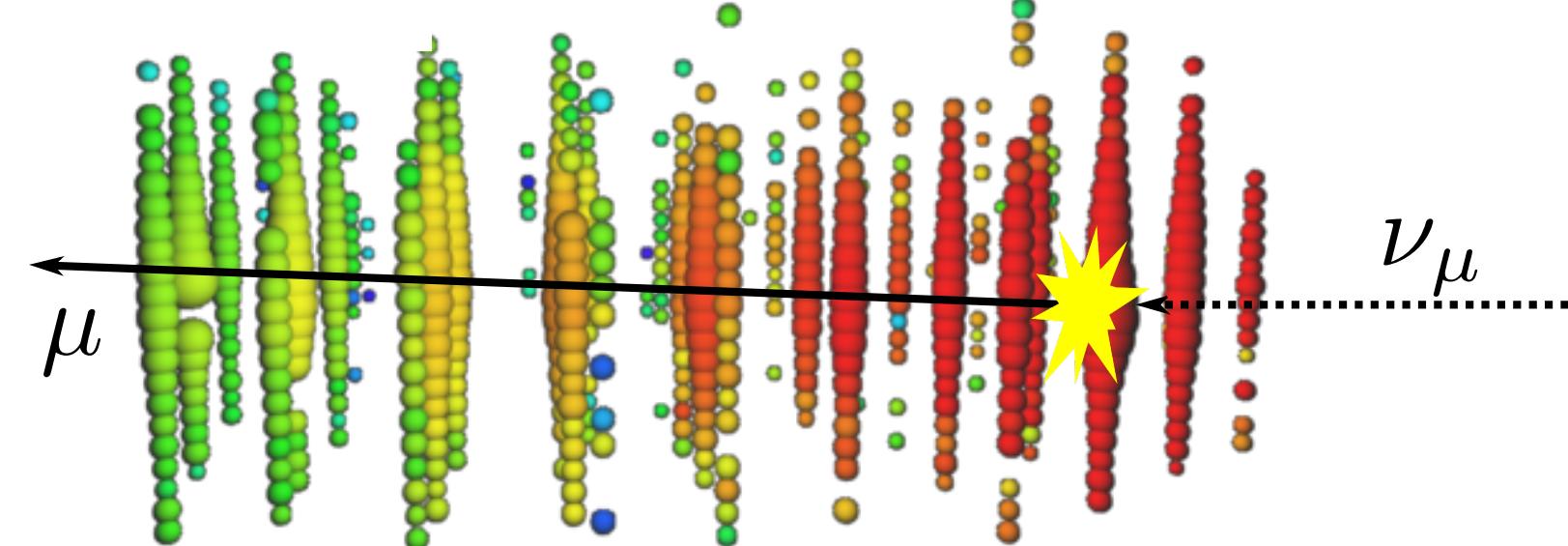
$$P_{\alpha\beta}^{S \rightarrow \oplus} = \sum_{ij} U_{\beta i} U_{\beta j}^* U_{\alpha j} U_{\alpha i}^* \exp(-i \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{2E})$$

$$= \sum_i |U_{\alpha i}|^2 |U_{\beta i}|^2$$

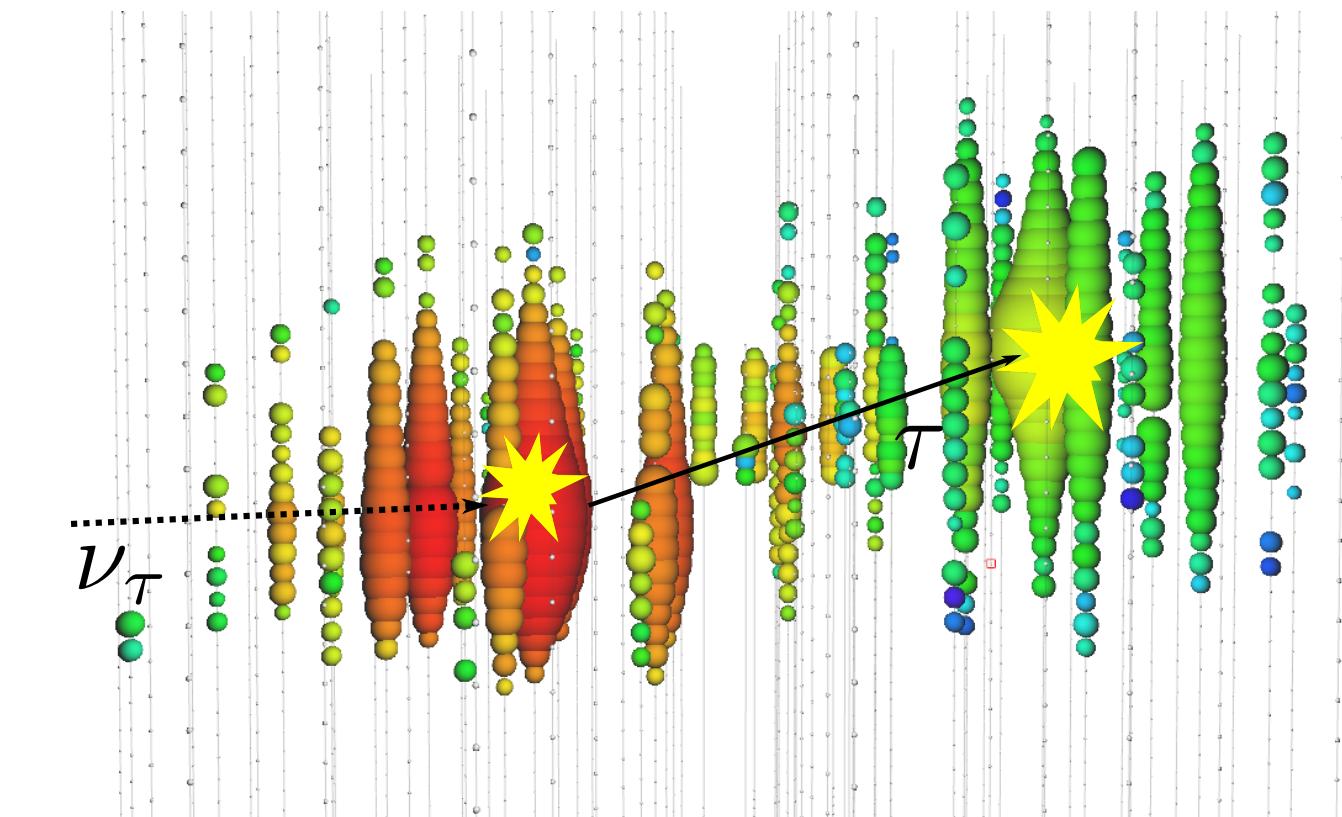
- $f_S = (1/3, 2/3, 0) \rightarrow f_\oplus = (0.3, 0.36, 0.34)$



Showers/Cascades



Tracks



Double bangs

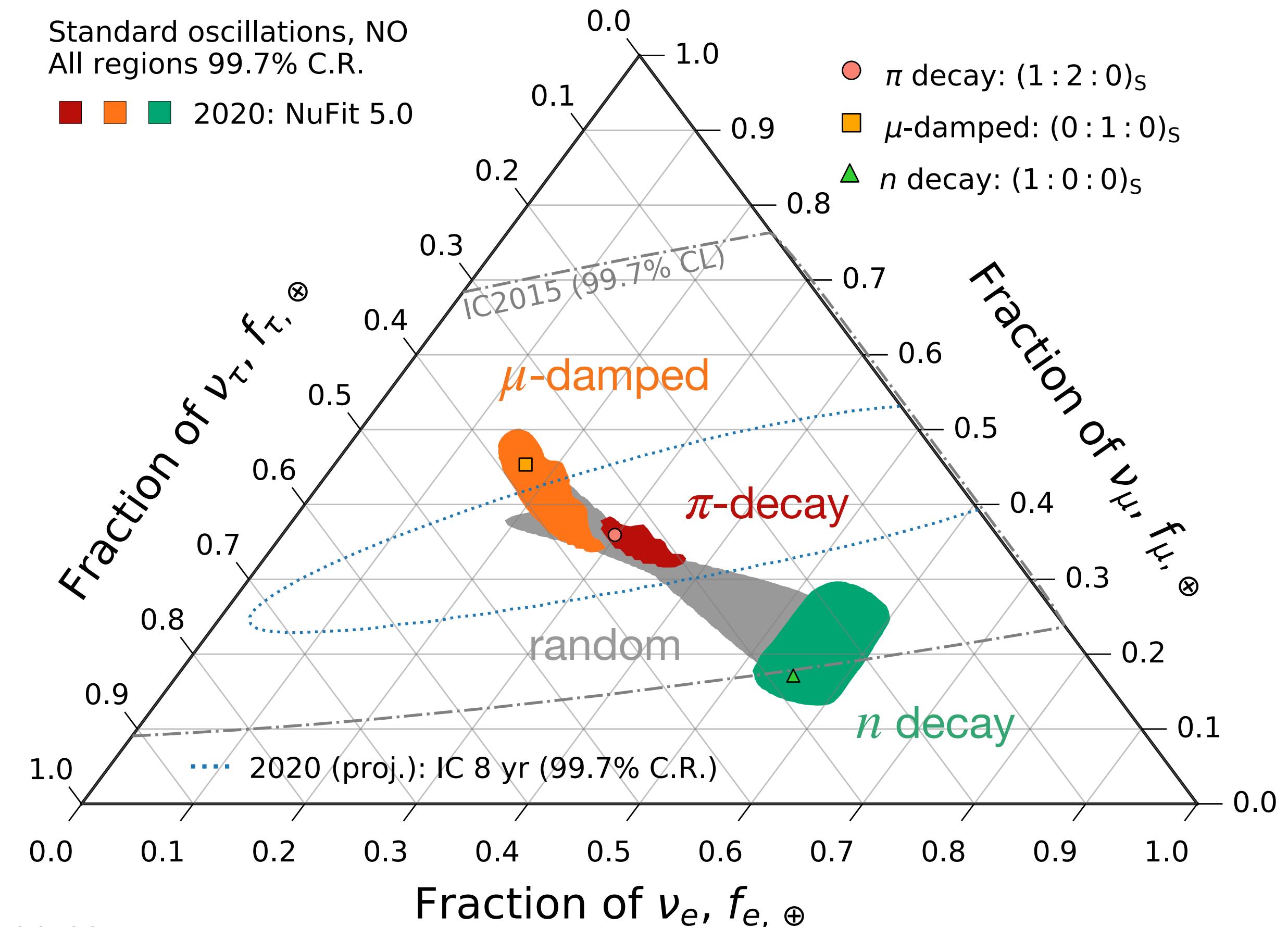
Source Discrimination?

Hard!

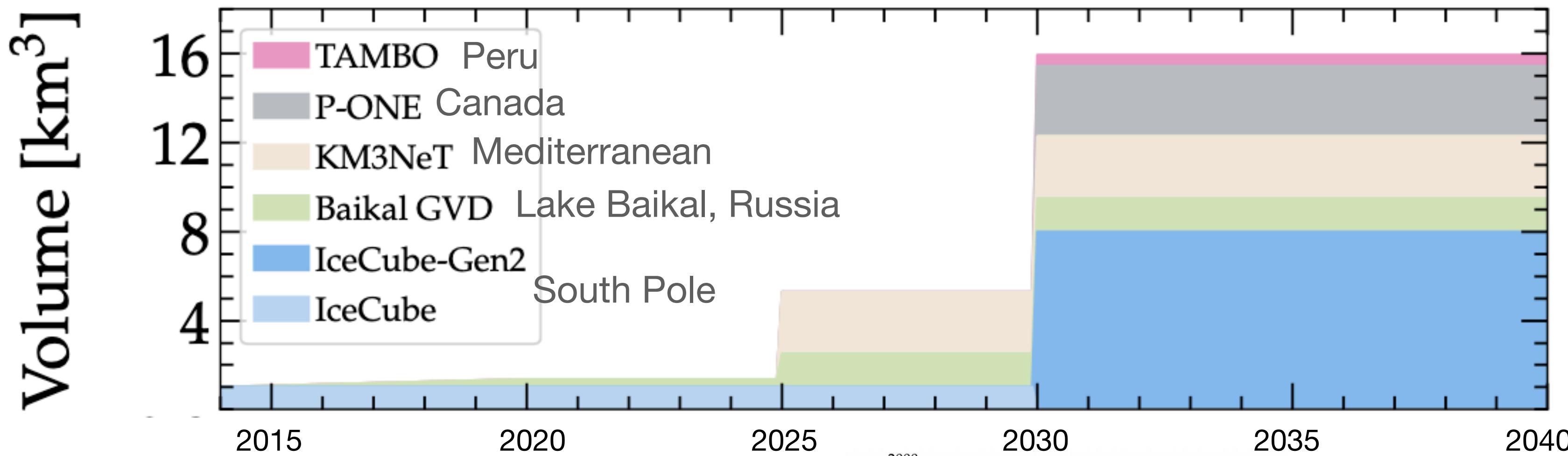
- Limitations
 - Statistical: flux measurement
 - Systematical: precise oscillation parameters

| Parameter | Normal ordering | Inverted ordering |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ | $0.304^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$ | $0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$ |
| $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ | $0.573^{+0.016}_{-0.020}$ | $0.575^{+0.016}_{-0.019}$ |
| $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ | $0.02219^{+0.00062}_{-0.00063}$ | $0.02238^{+0.00063}_{-0.00062}$ |
| $\delta_{\text{CP}} (\text{°})$ | 197^{+27}_{-24} | 282^{+26}_{-30} |

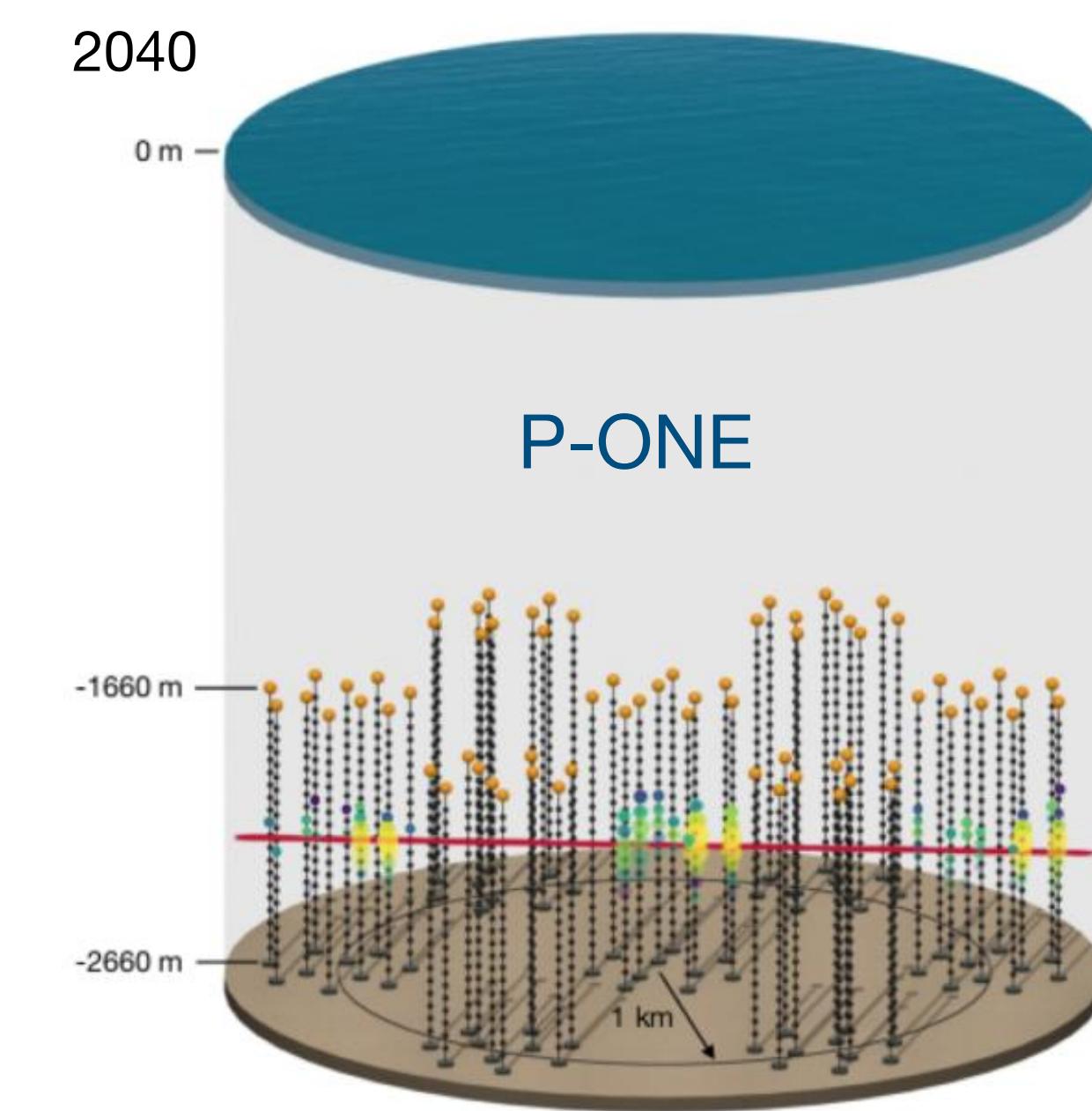
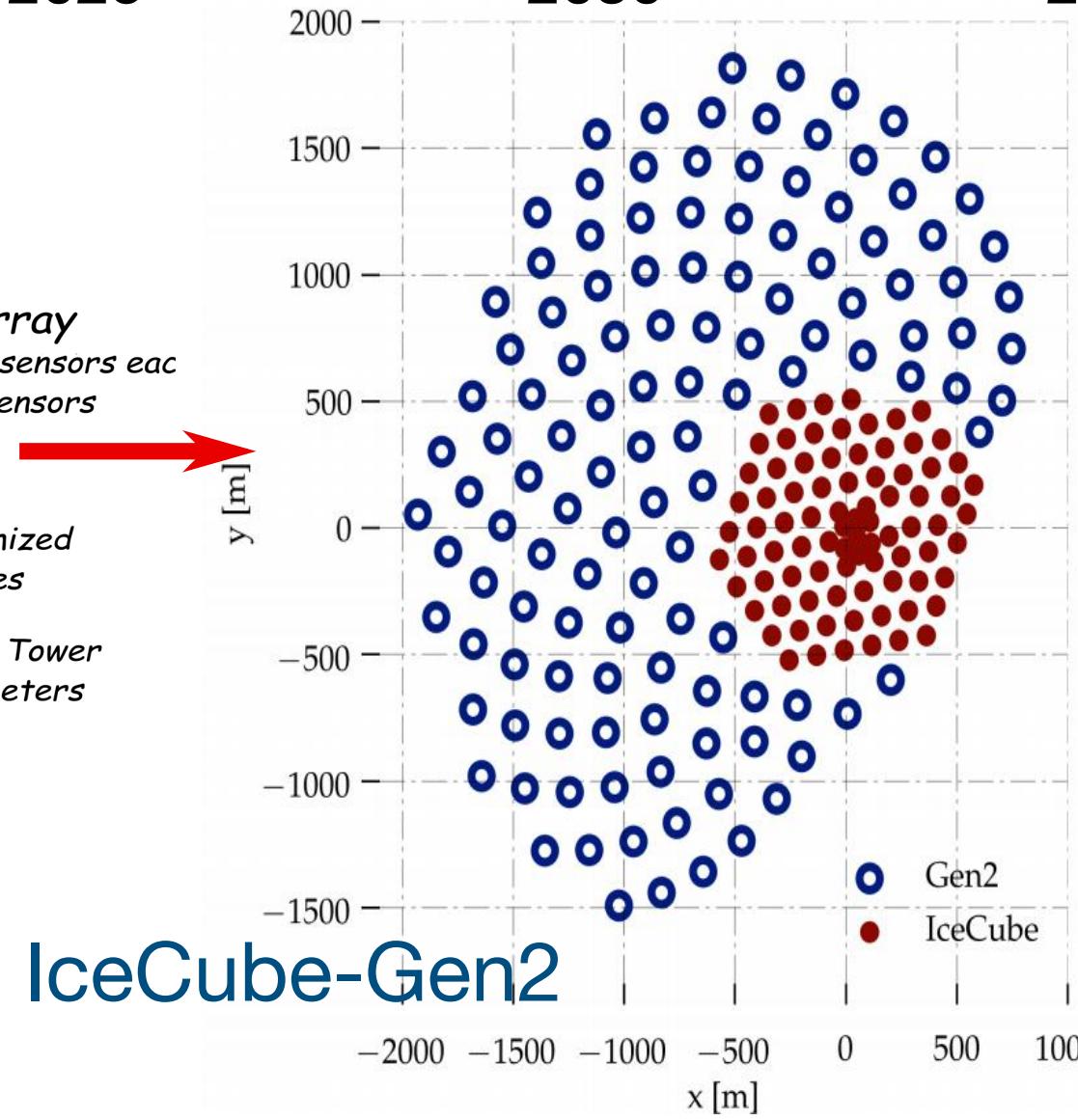
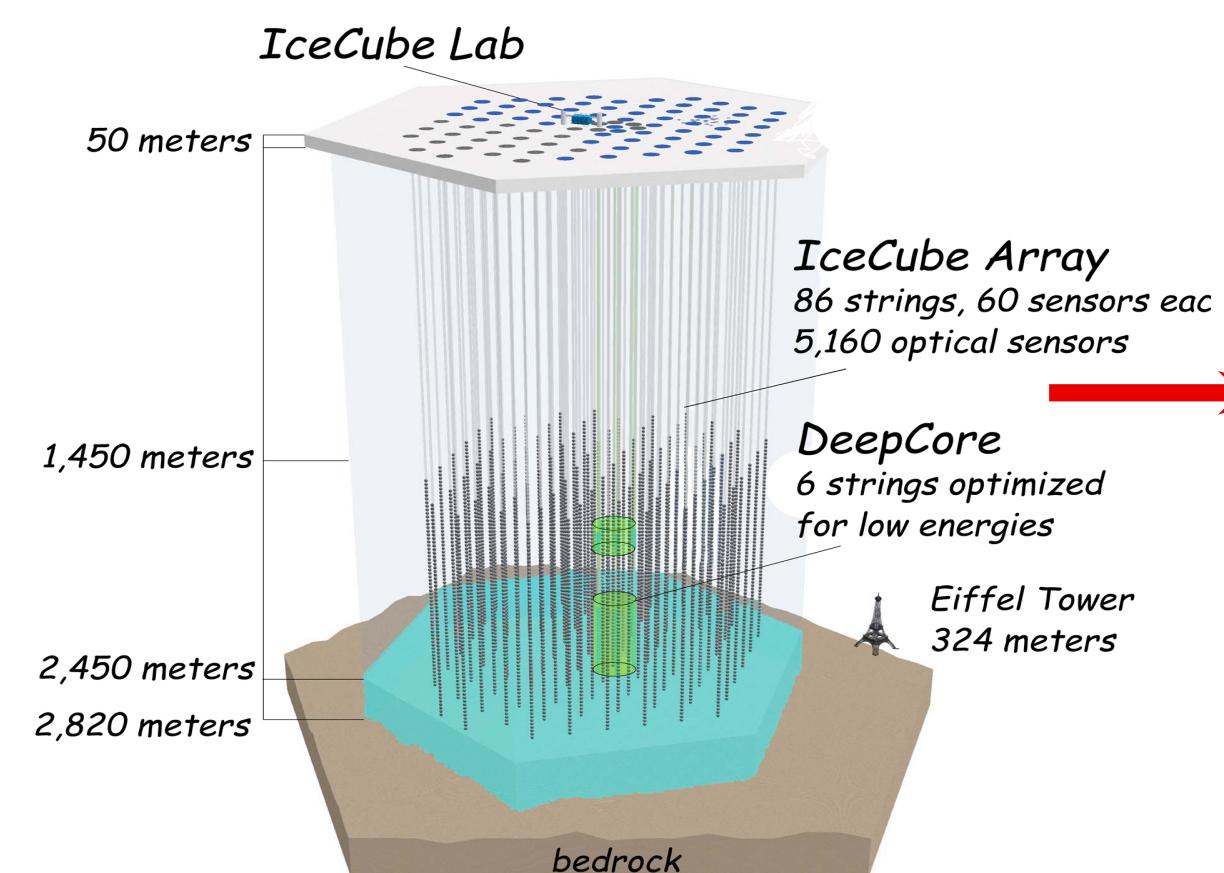
NuFit 5.0 global fit, Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz, Zhou, 2007.14792



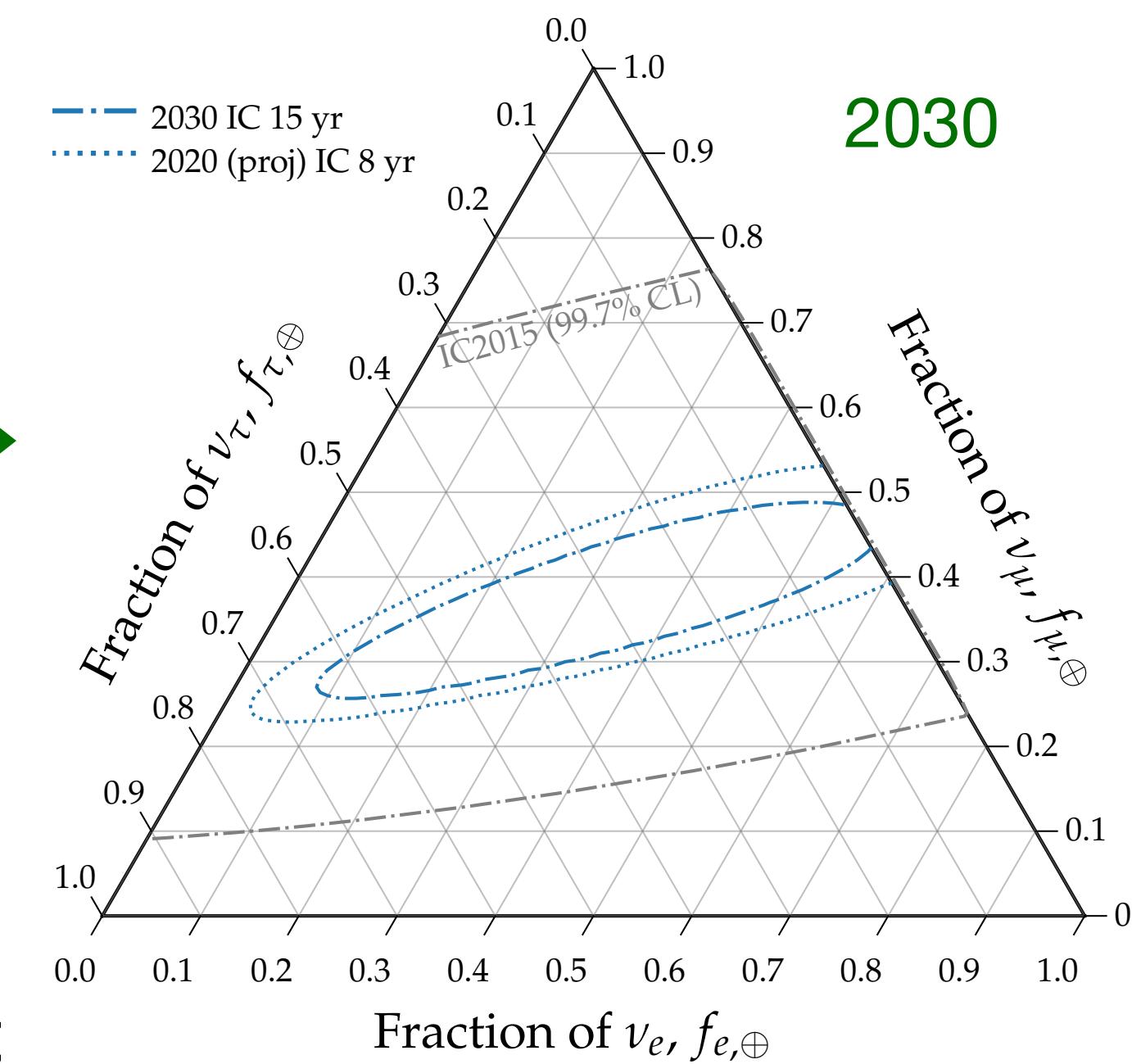
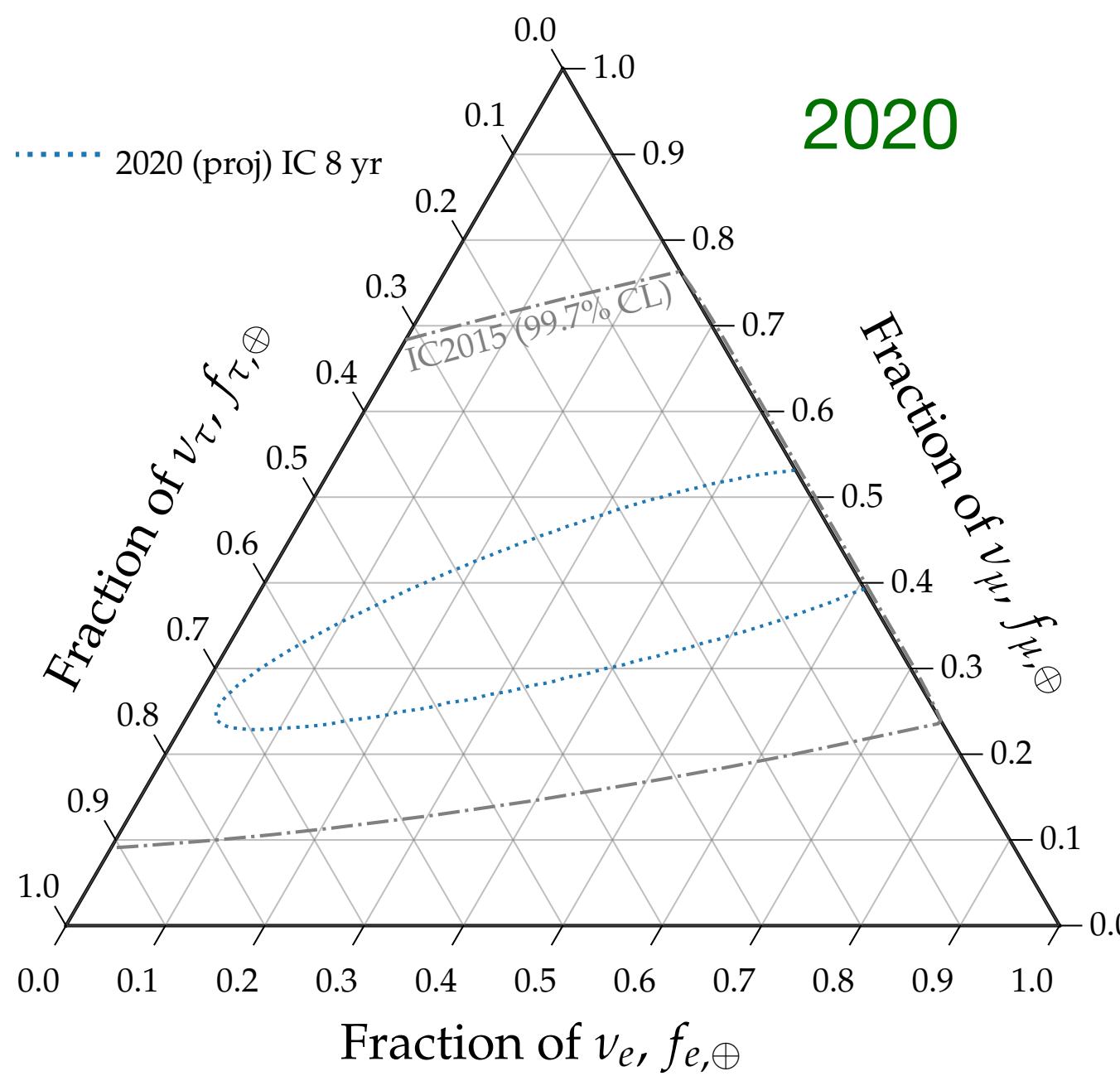
Future Neutrino Telescopes



Combination of IC-Gen2, P-ONE, KM3NeT, GVD, **TAMBO** offers ~20 times more exposure by 2040 than IceCube



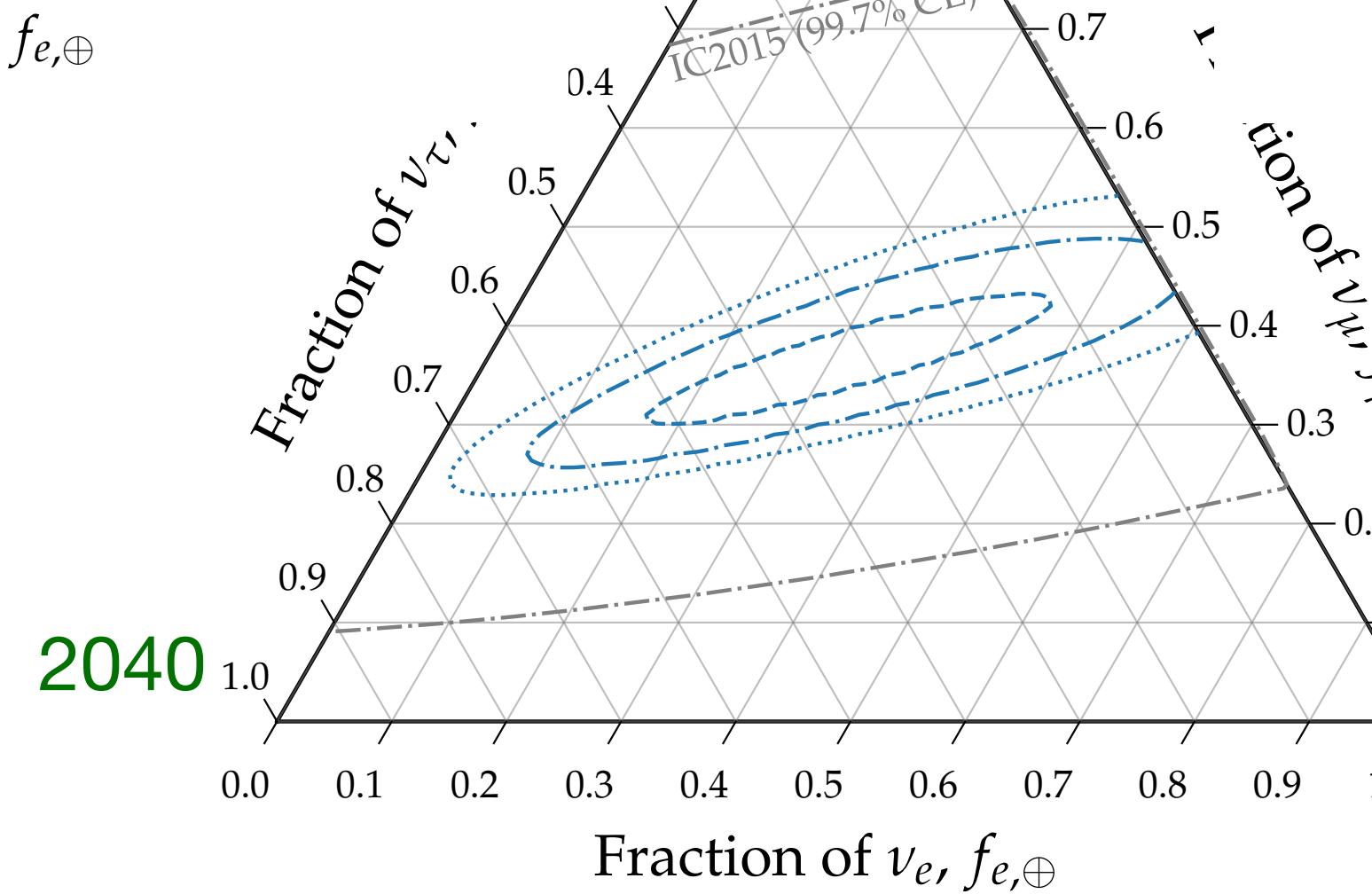
Neutrino Flavor Measurements: Future



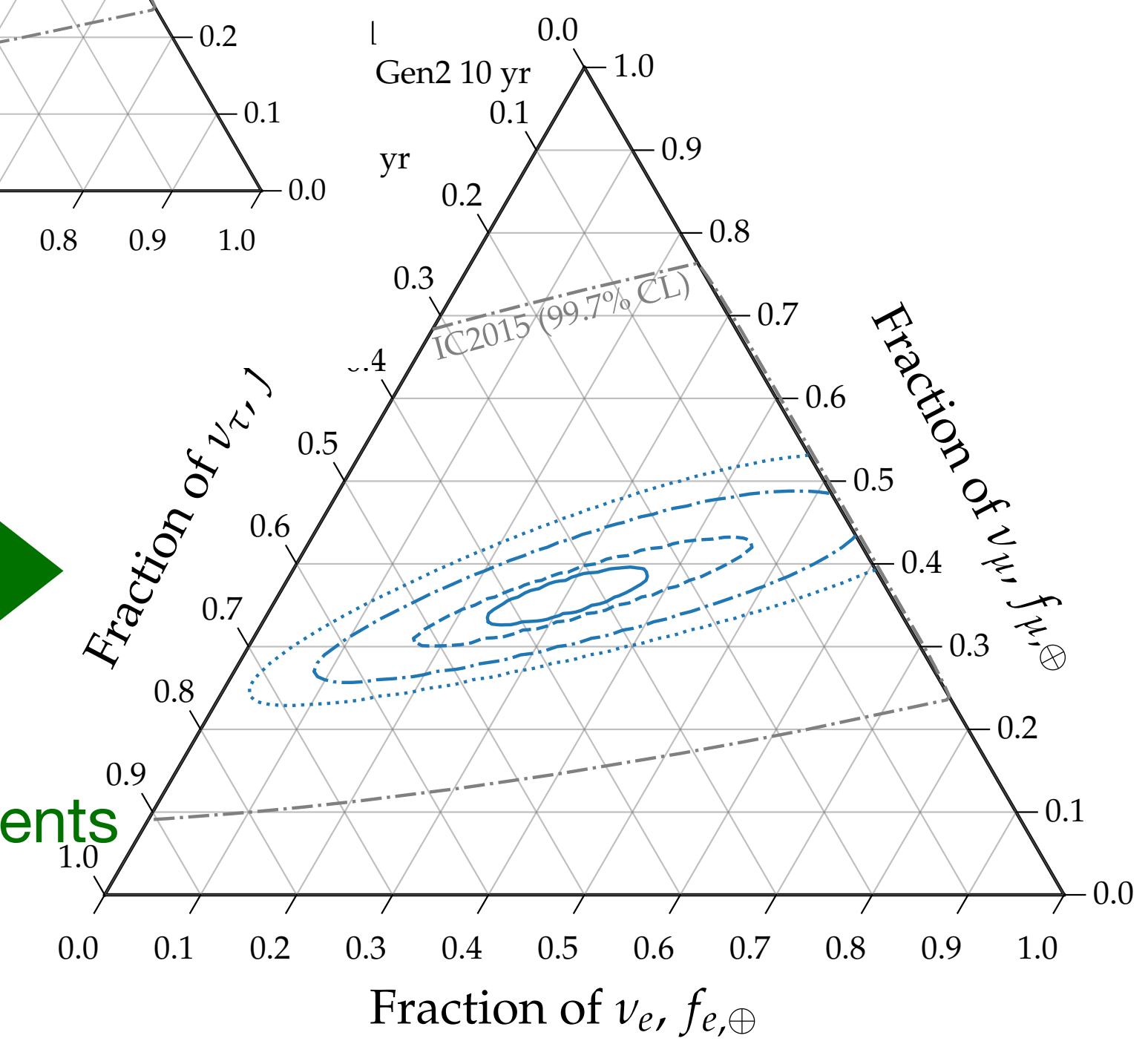
2020
2040
2040 all

Flavor ratios at Earth

| | $f_{e,\oplus}$ | $f_{\mu,\oplus}$ | $f_{\tau,\oplus}$ |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2020 | $0.30^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$ | $0.36^{+0.059}_{-0.053}$ | $0.34^{+0.16}_{-0.18}$ |
| 2040 | $0.30^{+0.039}_{-0.037}$ | $0.36^{+0.017}_{-0.016}$ | $0.34^{+0.049}_{-0.050}$ |
| 2040 all | $0.30^{+0.030}_{-0.027}$ | $0.36^{+0.011}_{-0.011}$ | $0.34^{+0.037}_{-0.039}$ |

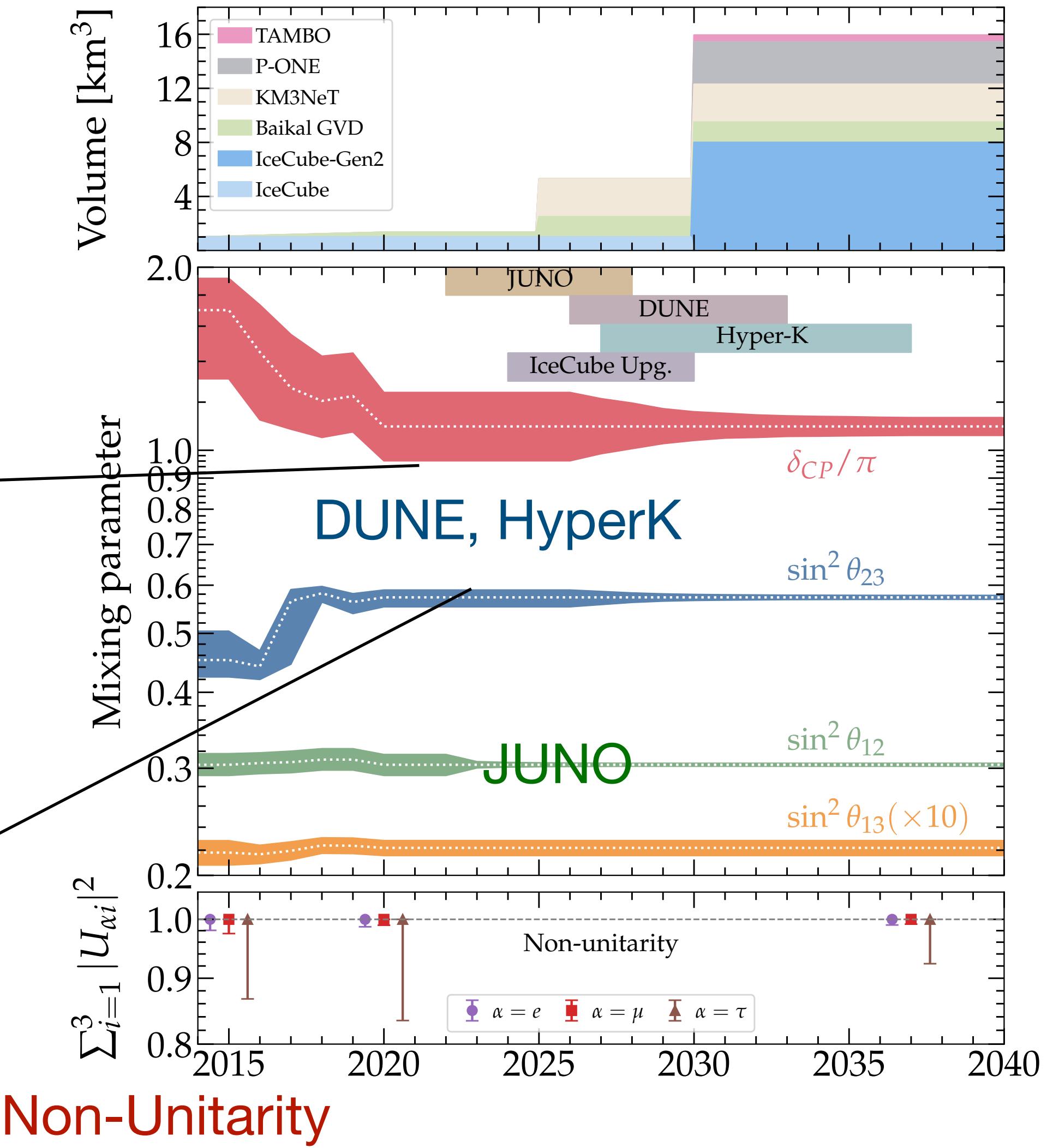
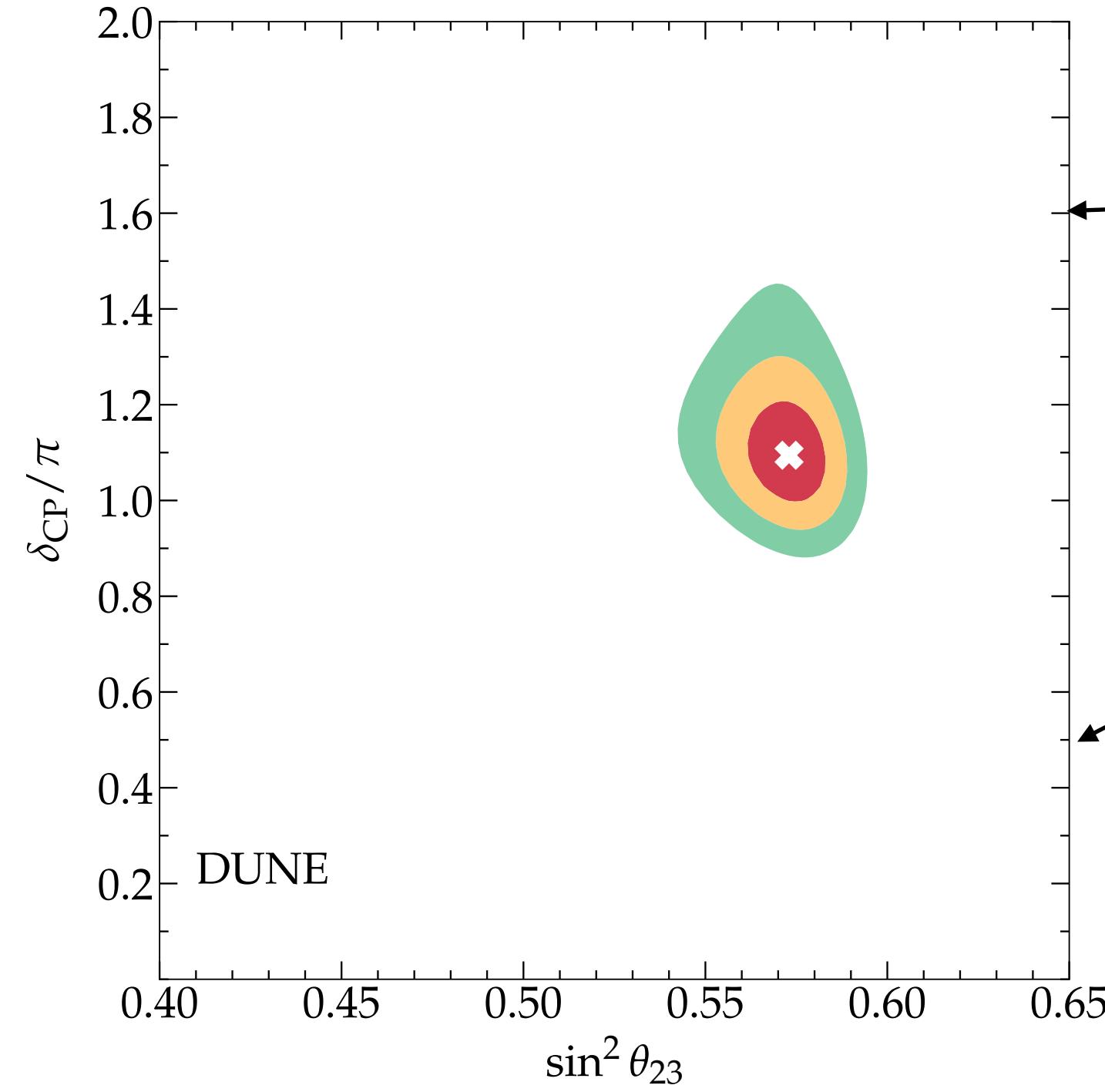
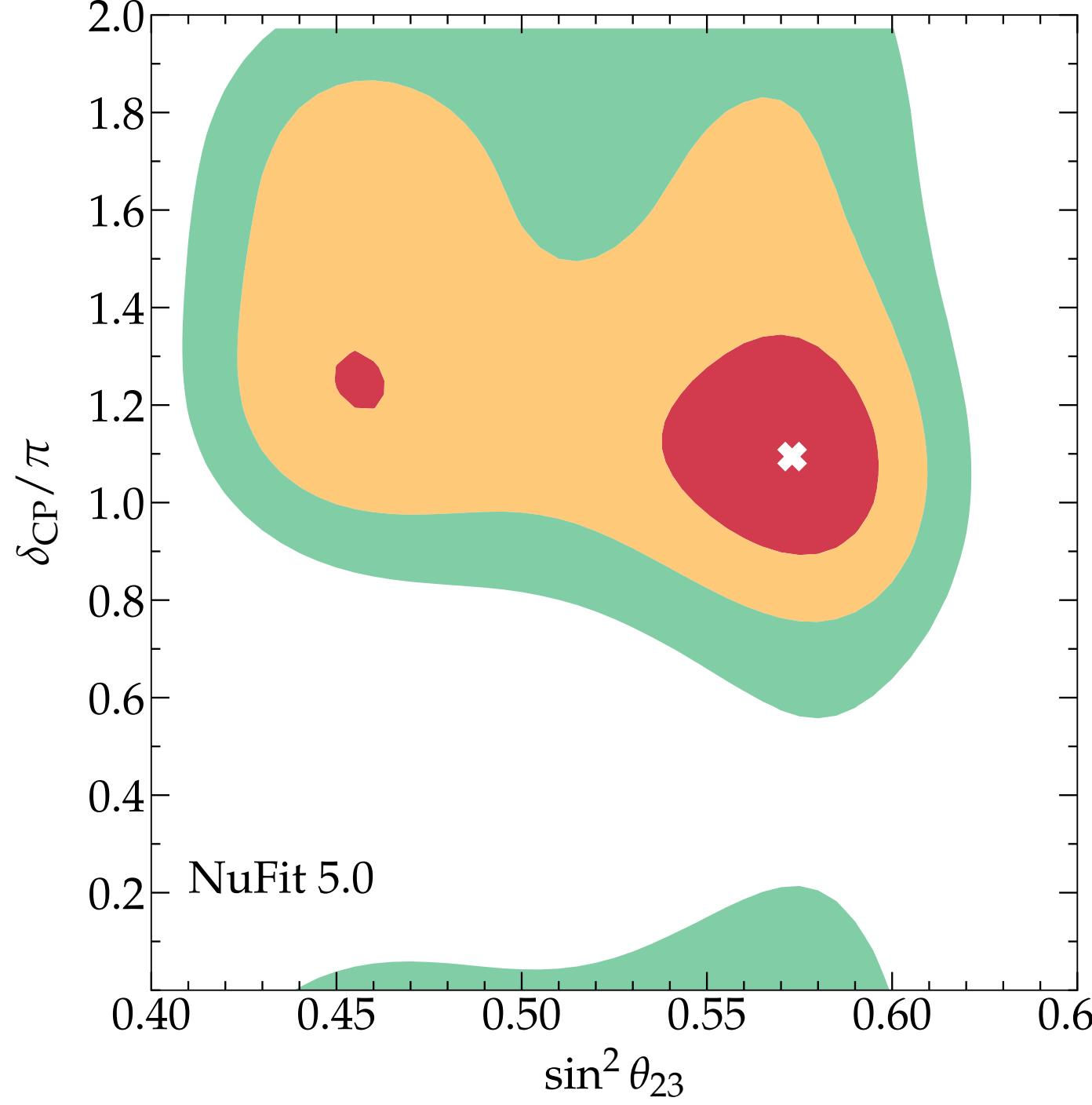


2040 all experiments



Neutrino Oscillation Measurements

- More precise oscillation parameters: JUNO, DUNE, Hyper-K

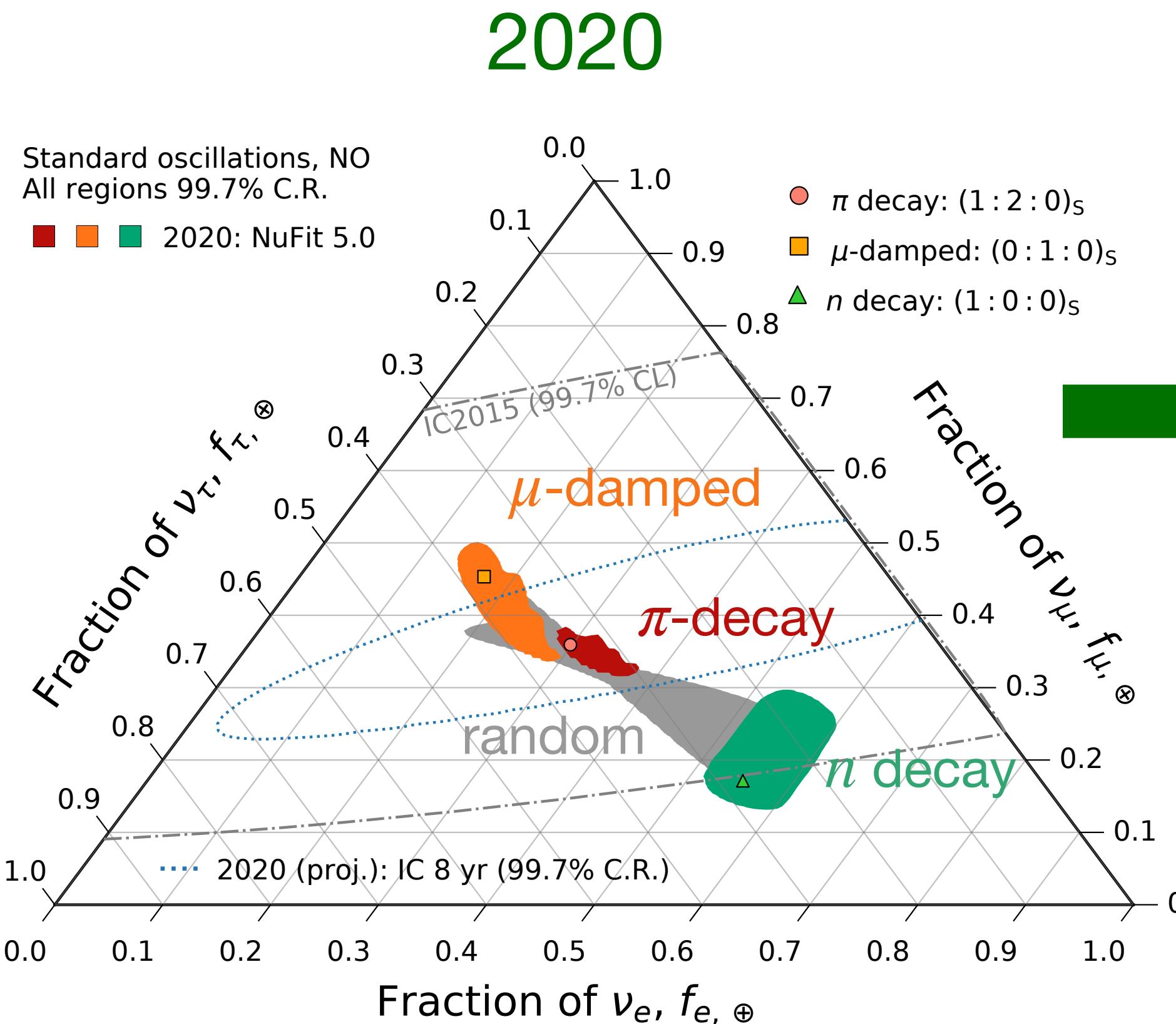


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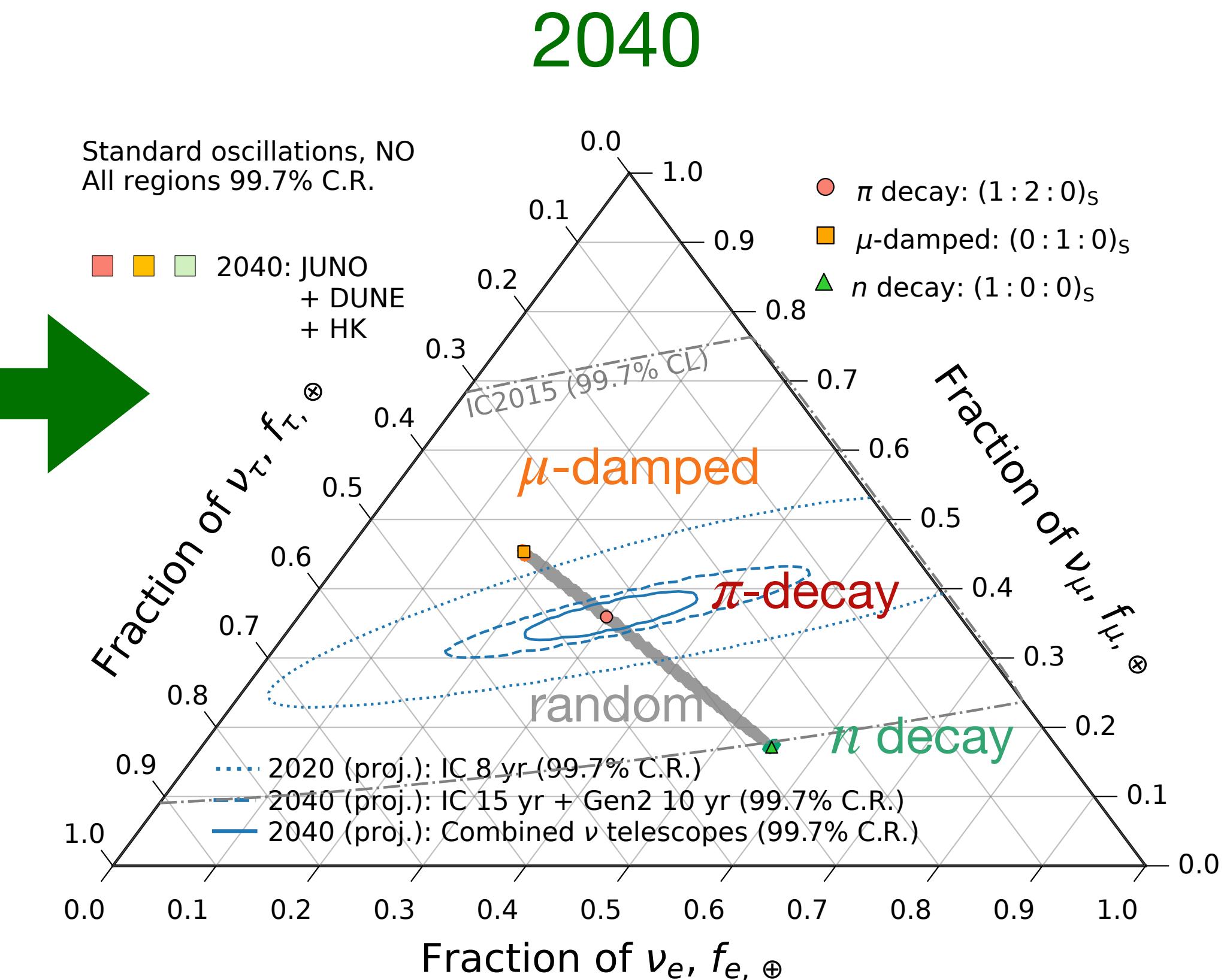
Yes!

Pion decay well separated
from muon damped by 2040



$$f_{\beta,\oplus} = \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} P_{\alpha\beta}^{s\rightarrow\oplus} f_{\alpha,S}$$

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NS, Li, Argüelles, Bustamante, Vincent, JHEP/2012.12893

Flavor Composition at Source

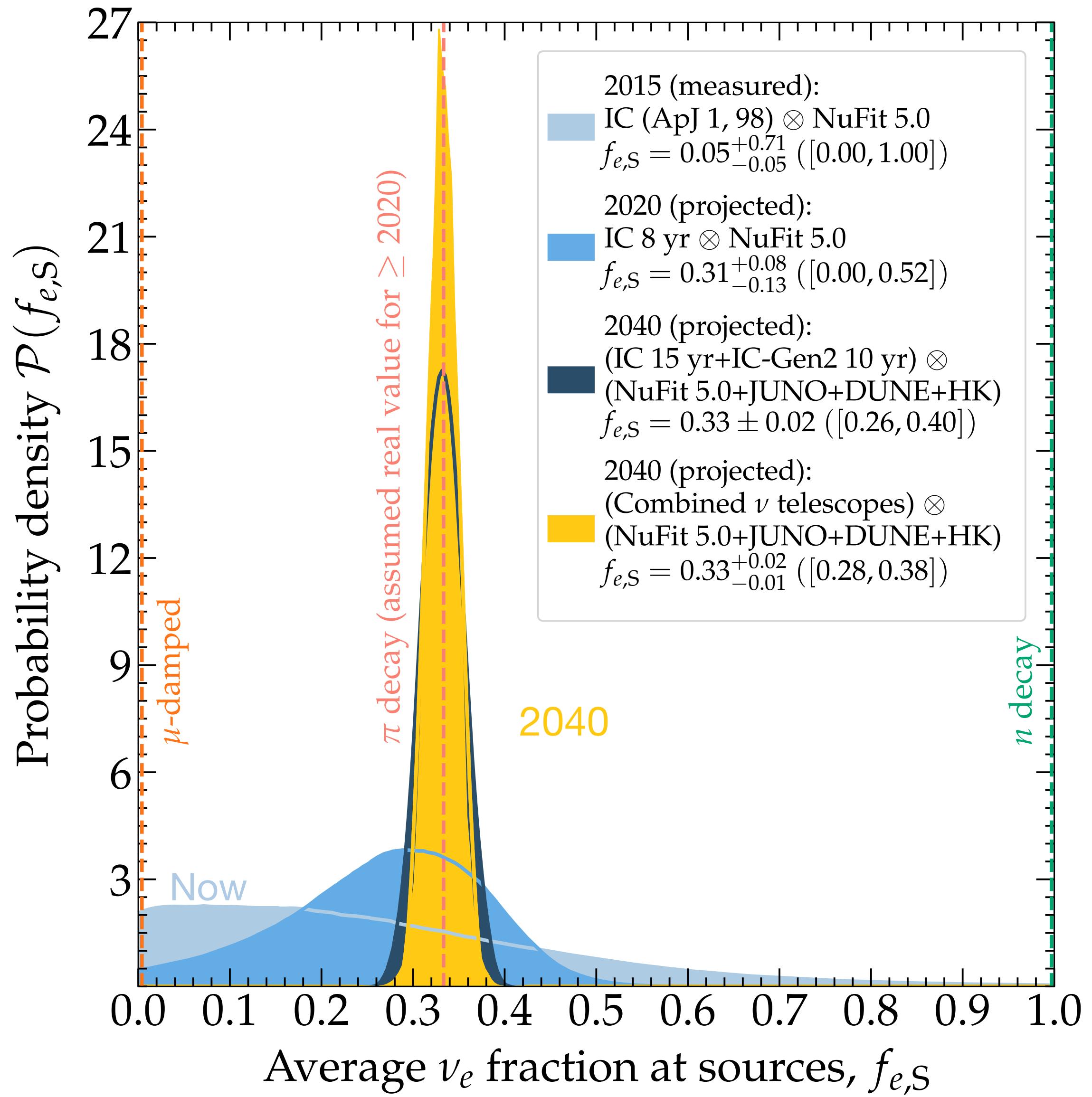
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- Assume no ν_τ at source $f_{\tau,S} = 0$
- Combine the information from neutrino **oscillation experiments** and **neutrino telescopes**

$$\mathcal{P}(f_{e,S}) = \int d\theta \mathcal{L}(\theta) \mathcal{L}_{\text{exp}}(f_{\oplus}(f_{e,S}, \theta)) \pi(f_{e,S})$$

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 uniform prior

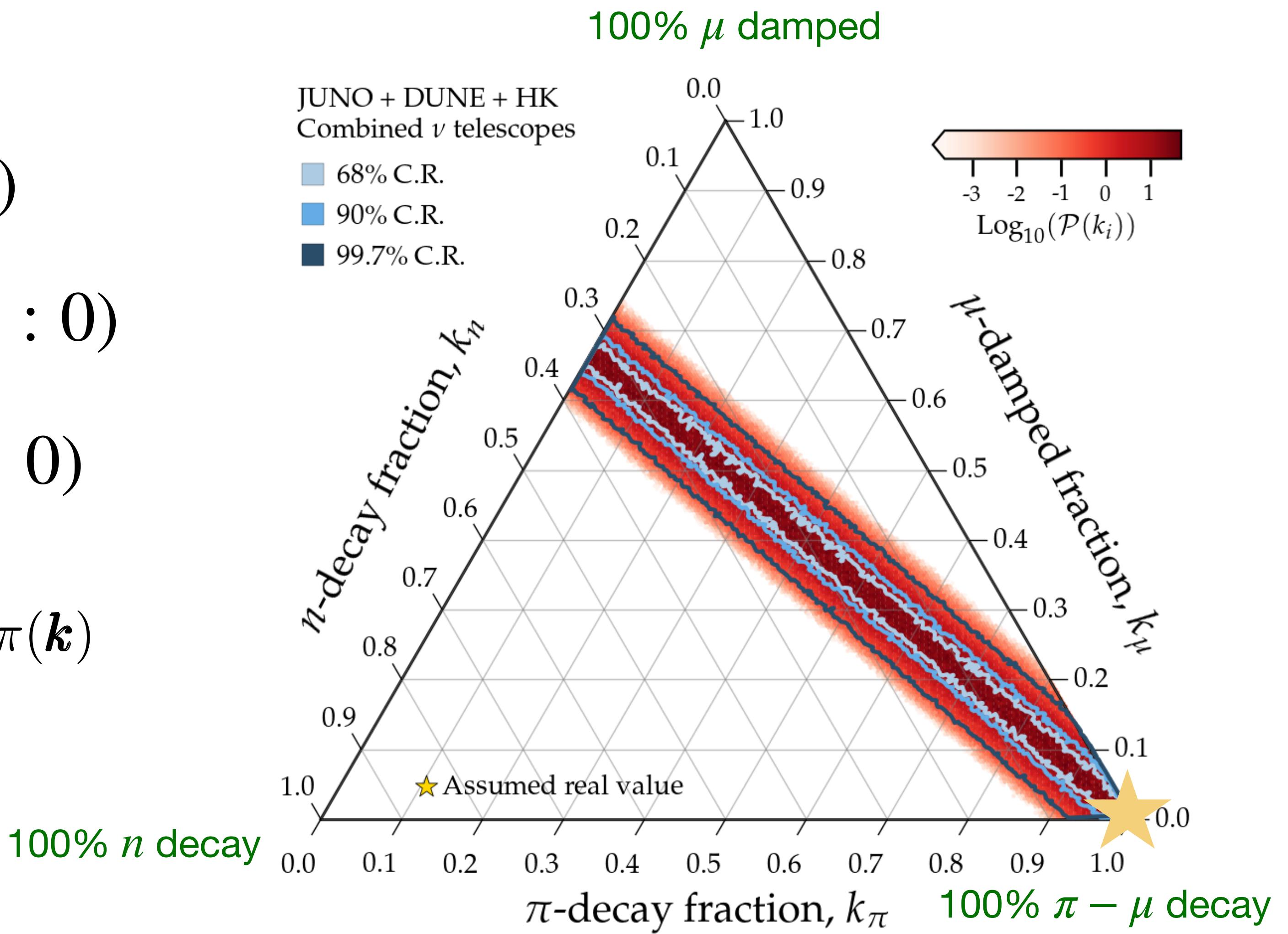
See 1404.0017, 1502.02649,
1605.01556, 1901.10087 for source inference



Flavor Composition at Source

- k_π : pion decay fraction ($1 : 2 : 0$)
- k_μ : muon-damped fraction ($0 : 1 : 0$)
- k_n : neutron decay fraction ($1 : 0 : 0$)

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{k}) = \int d\theta \mathcal{L}(\theta) \mathcal{L}_{\text{exp}}(f_{\oplus}(f_S(\mathbf{k}), \theta)) \pi(\mathbf{k})$$



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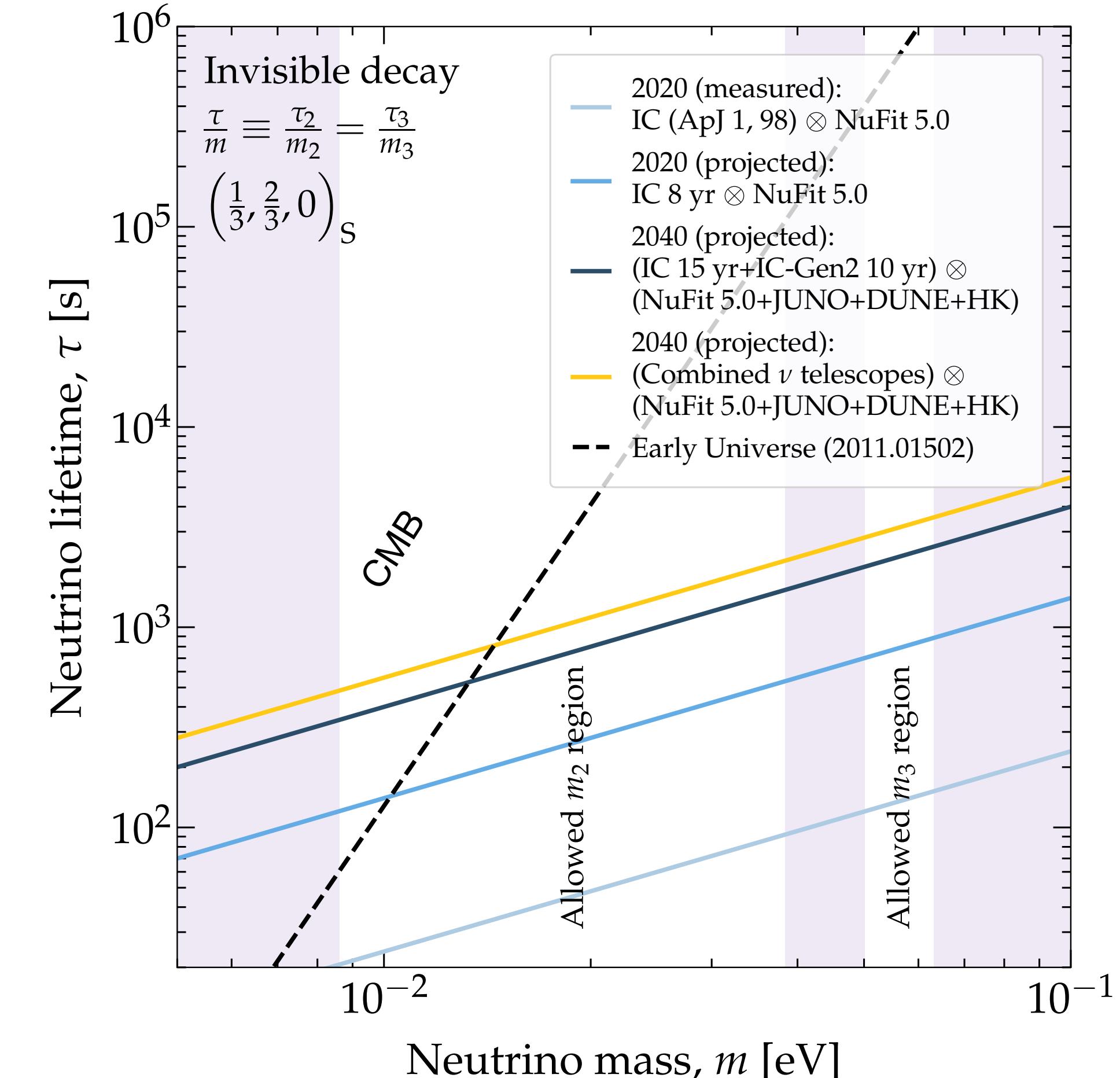
Neutrino Decay

NS, Li, Argüelles, Bustamante, Vincent, JHEP/2012.12893

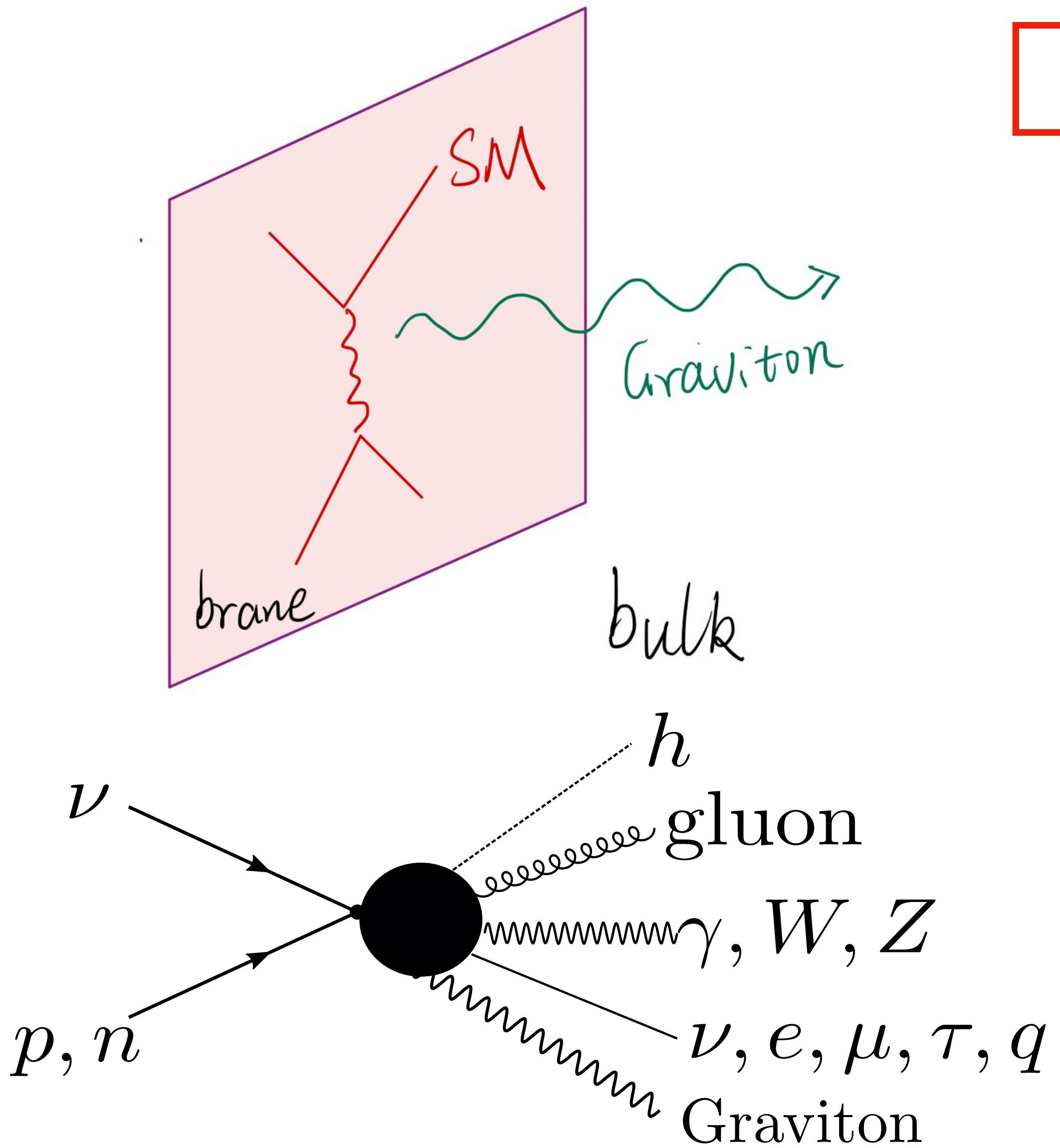
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- Sum up neutrinos sources at different redshifts

$$D_i = \frac{N_i(E, 0)}{N_i(E, z)} = Z(z)^{-\frac{m_i}{\tau_i} \frac{1}{H_0 E}}$$

| ν telescopes \otimes oscillation experiments | m_ν / τ_ν (eV s $^{-1}$) |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 2015 (measured): IC \otimes NuFit 5.0 | 4.1×10^{-4} |
| 2020 (projected): IC 8 yr \otimes NuFit 5.0 | 7.4×10^{-5} |
| 2040 (projected): IC 15 yr + IC-Gen2 10 yr \otimes (NuFit 5.0 + JUNO + DUNE + HK) | 2.5×10^{-5} |
| 2040 (projected): All ν telescopes \otimes (NuFit 5.0 + JUNO + DUNE + HK) | 1.8×10^{-5} |

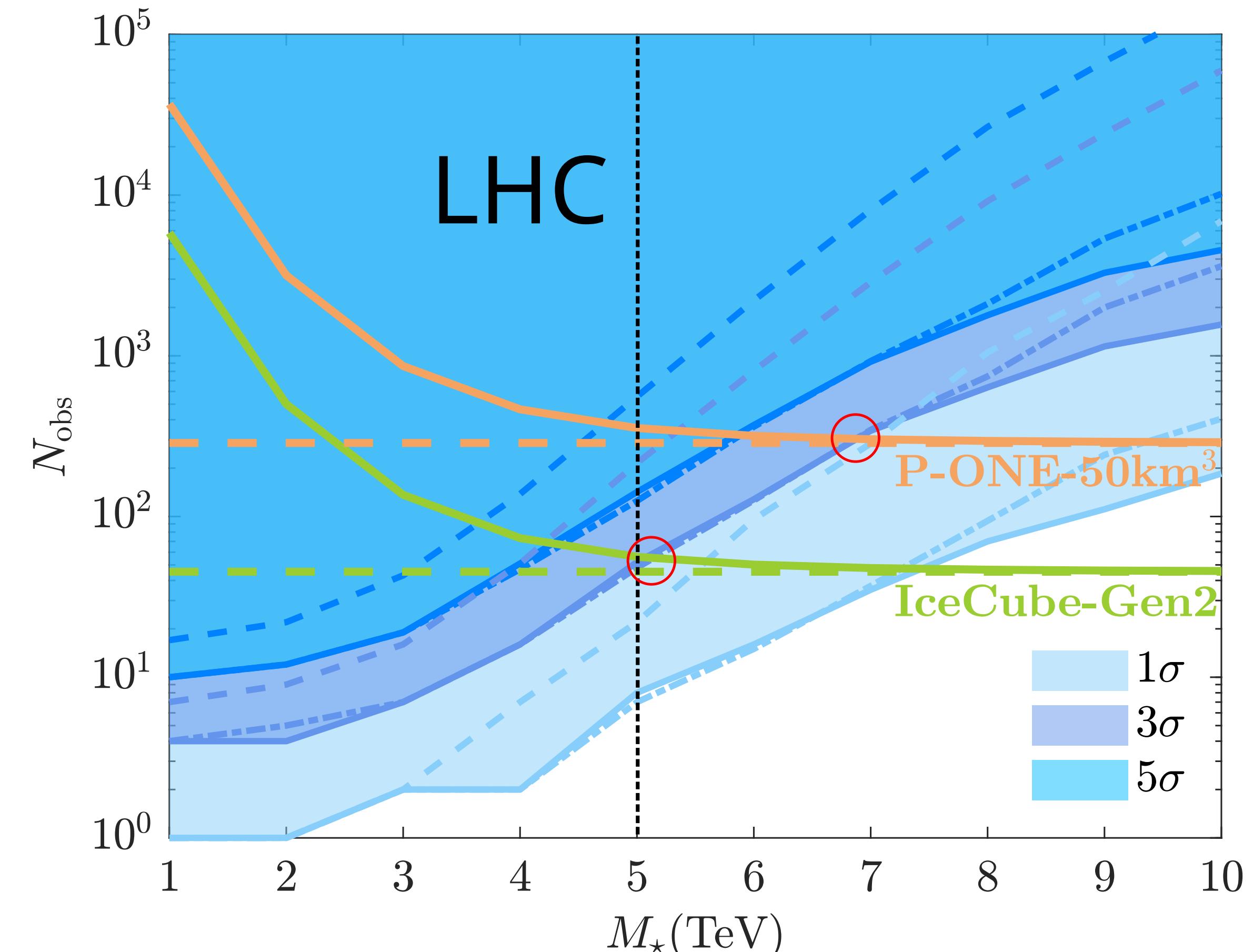


Large Extra Dimensions



$$M_{pl}^2 \sim M_\star^{2+n} R^n$$

Mack, NS, Vincent, JHEP/1912.06656



Summary

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- More precise mixing parameters: JUNO, DUNE, HK...
- Better flavor ratio measurement: IceCube-Gen2, P-ONE, KM3NeT, GVD, TAMBO...
- Pin down the production mechanism at source, robust against non-unitarity
- Constrain neutrino decay and neutrino lifetime

To do:

- More new physics: leptoquarks, Z' , microscopic BHs, long-lived particles
- Energy spectral analysis

Backup Slides

Leptonic Non-unitarity

Source determination is robust against non-unitarity

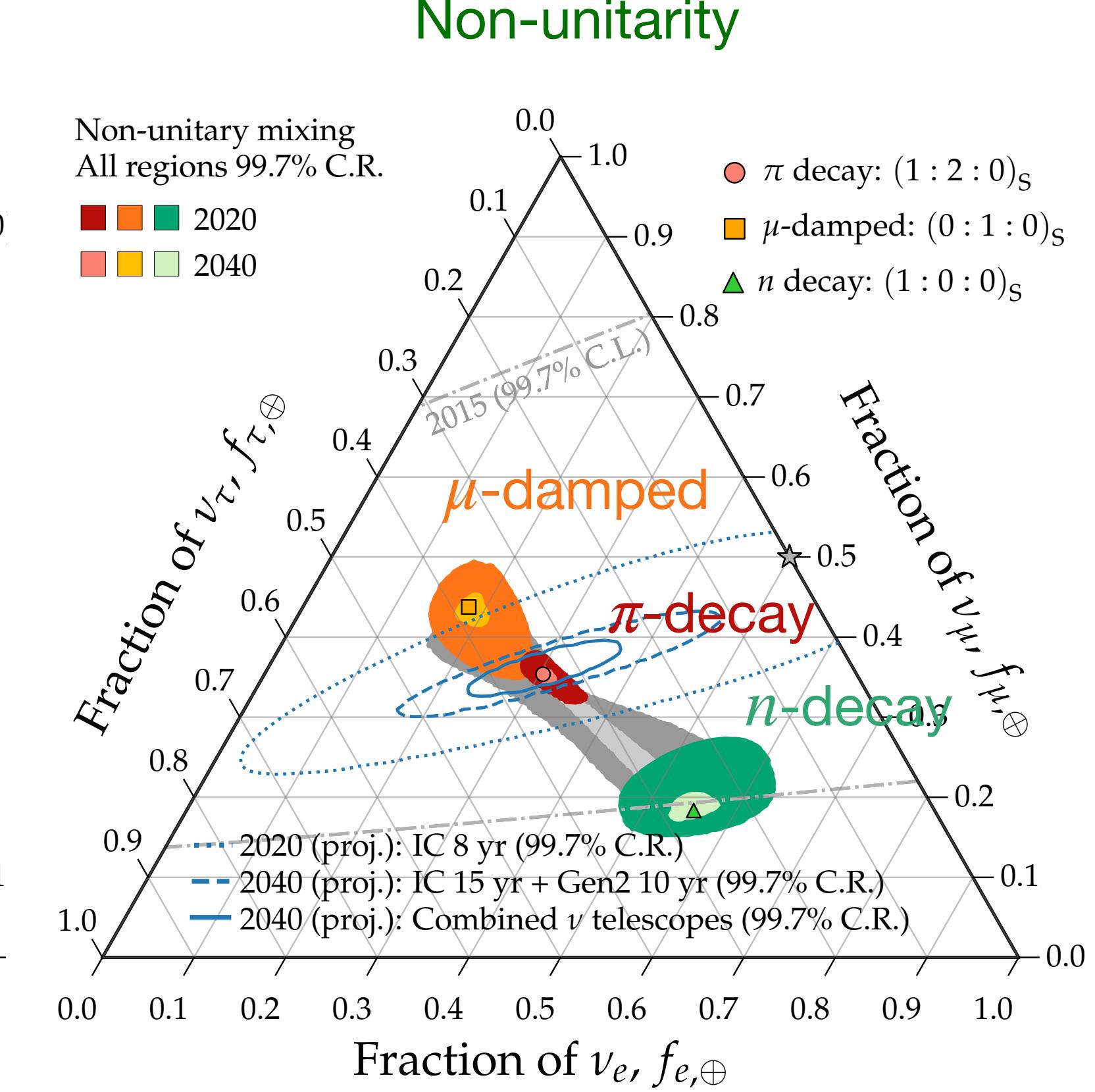
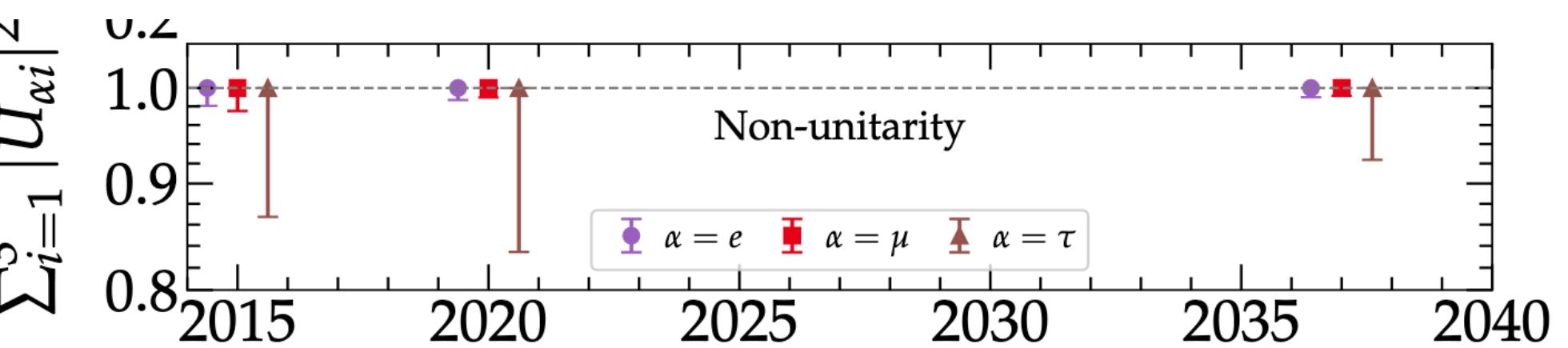
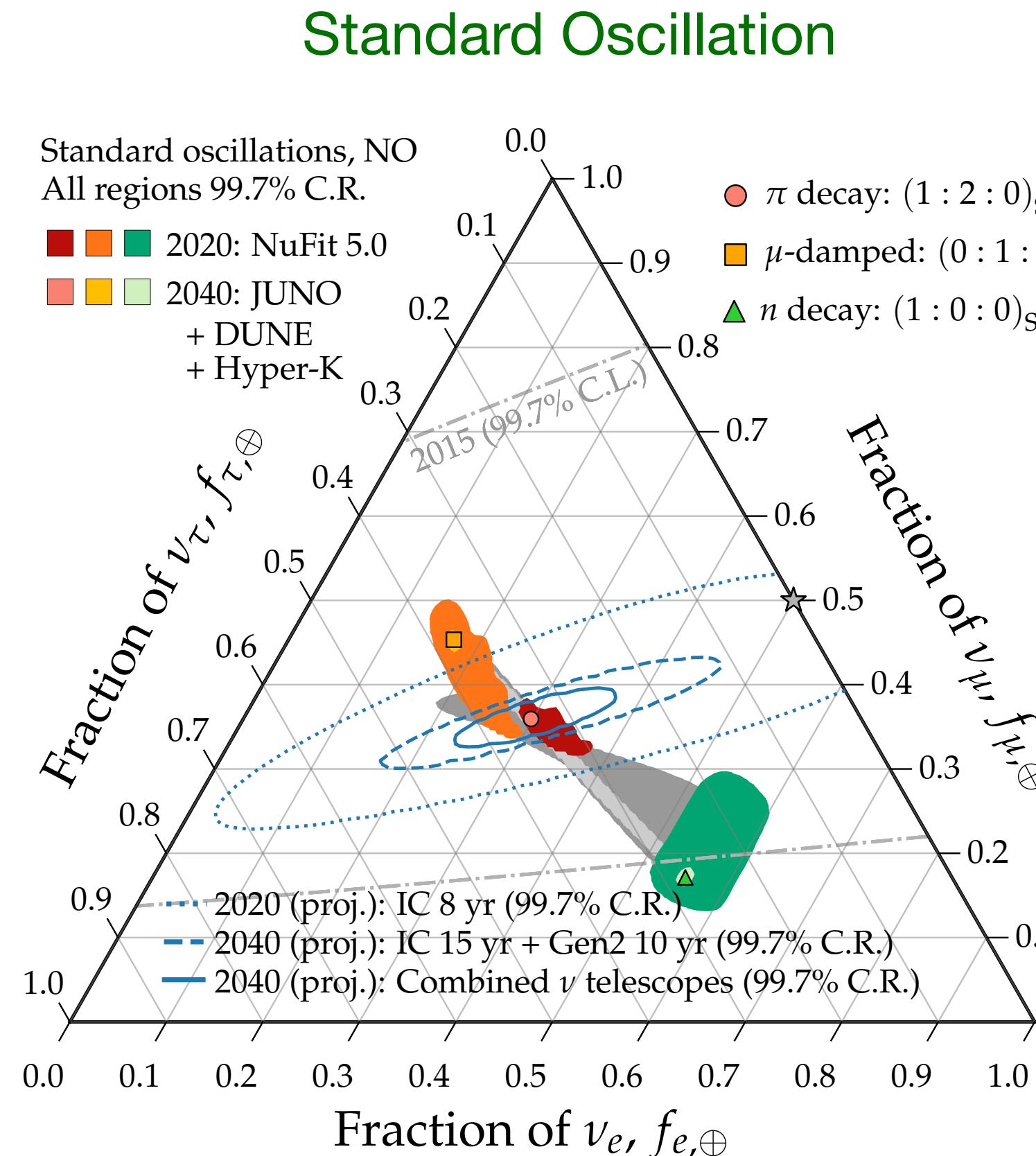
- Assuming non-unitarity

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & \dots \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & \dots \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

- Oscillation probability

$$P_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{NU}} = \frac{1}{N_\alpha N_\beta} \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{\alpha i}|^2 |U_{\beta i}|^2$$

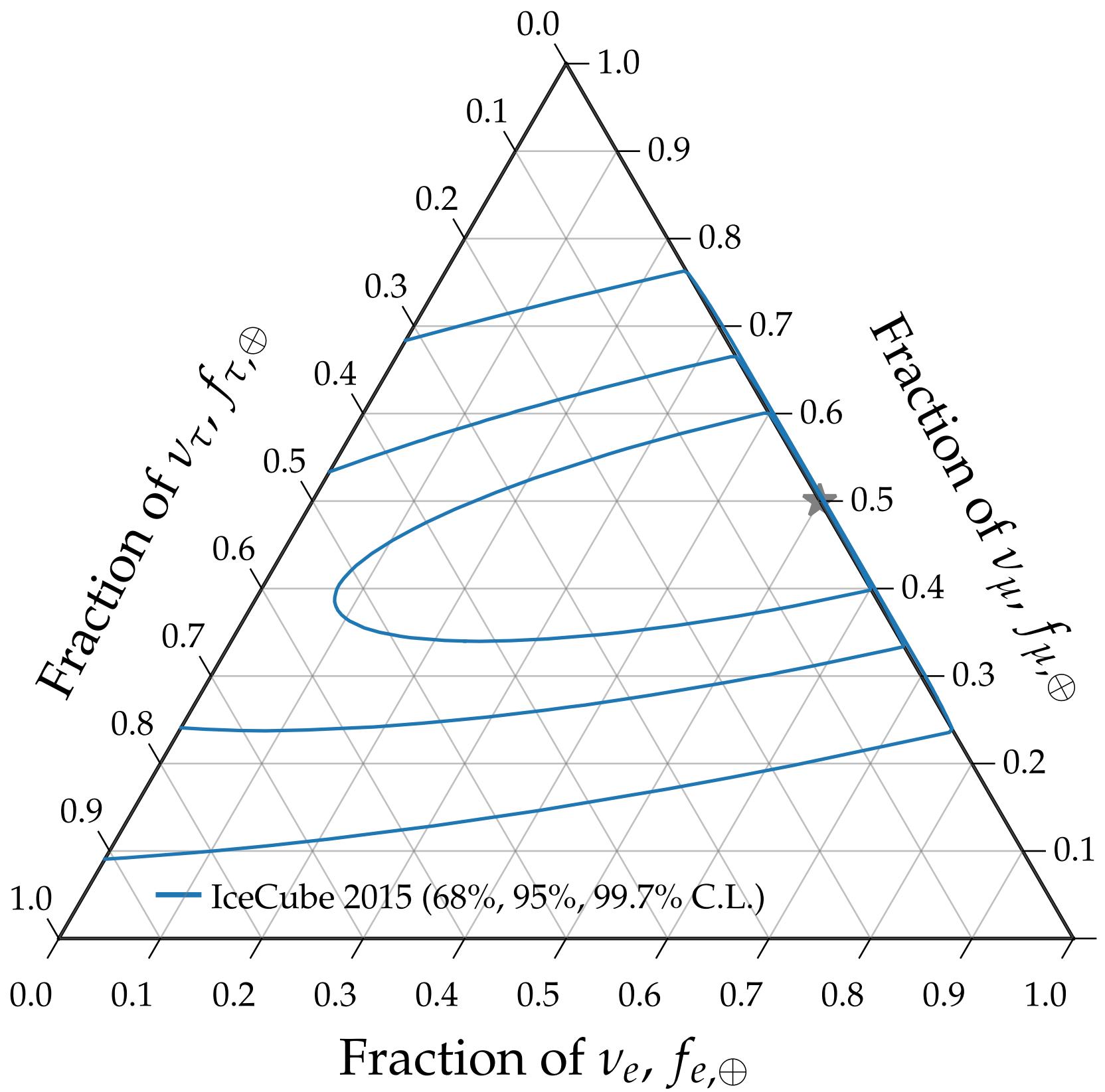
$$N_\alpha \equiv \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{\alpha i}|^2$$



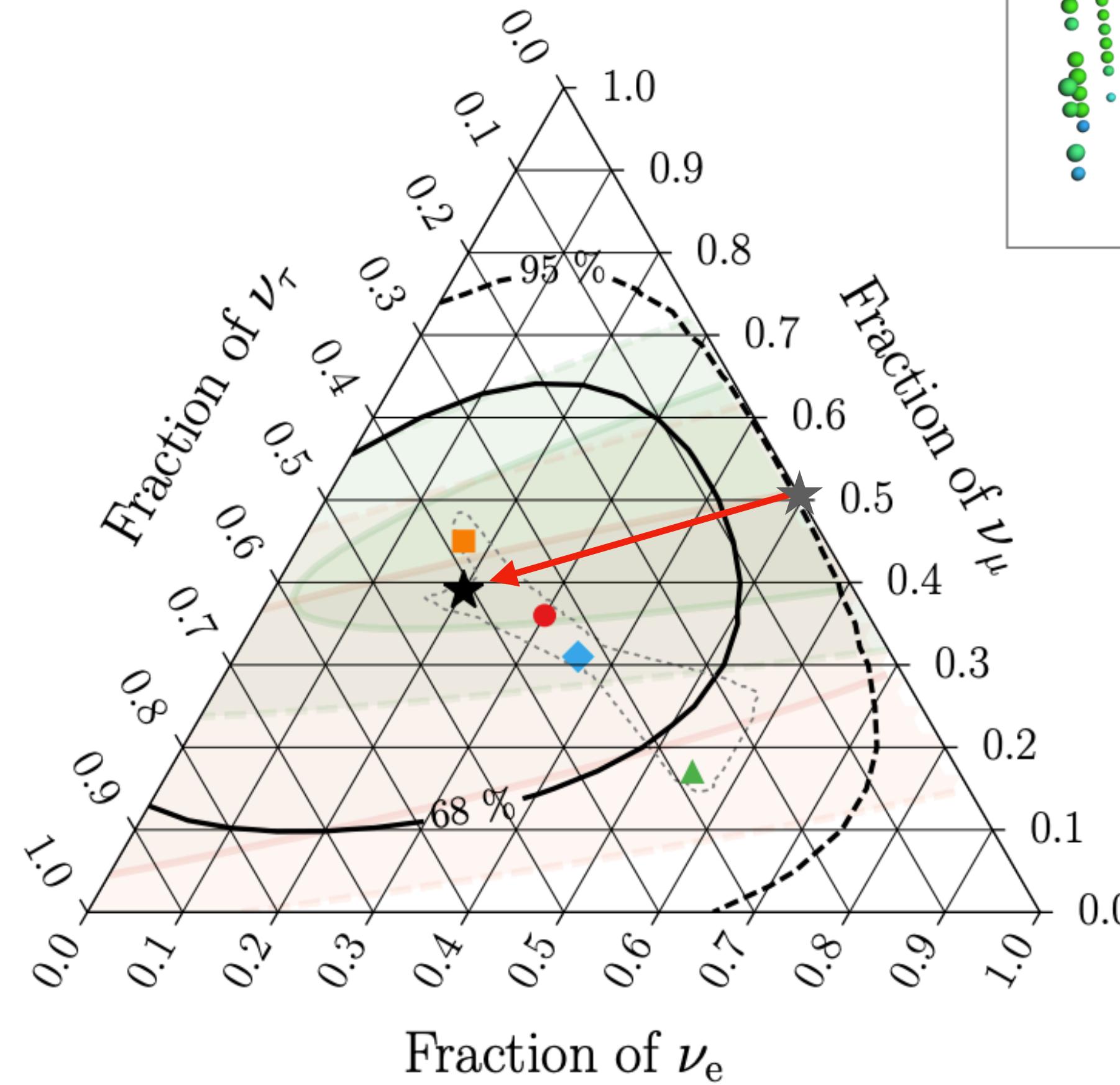
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Astrophysical Neutrino Measurements

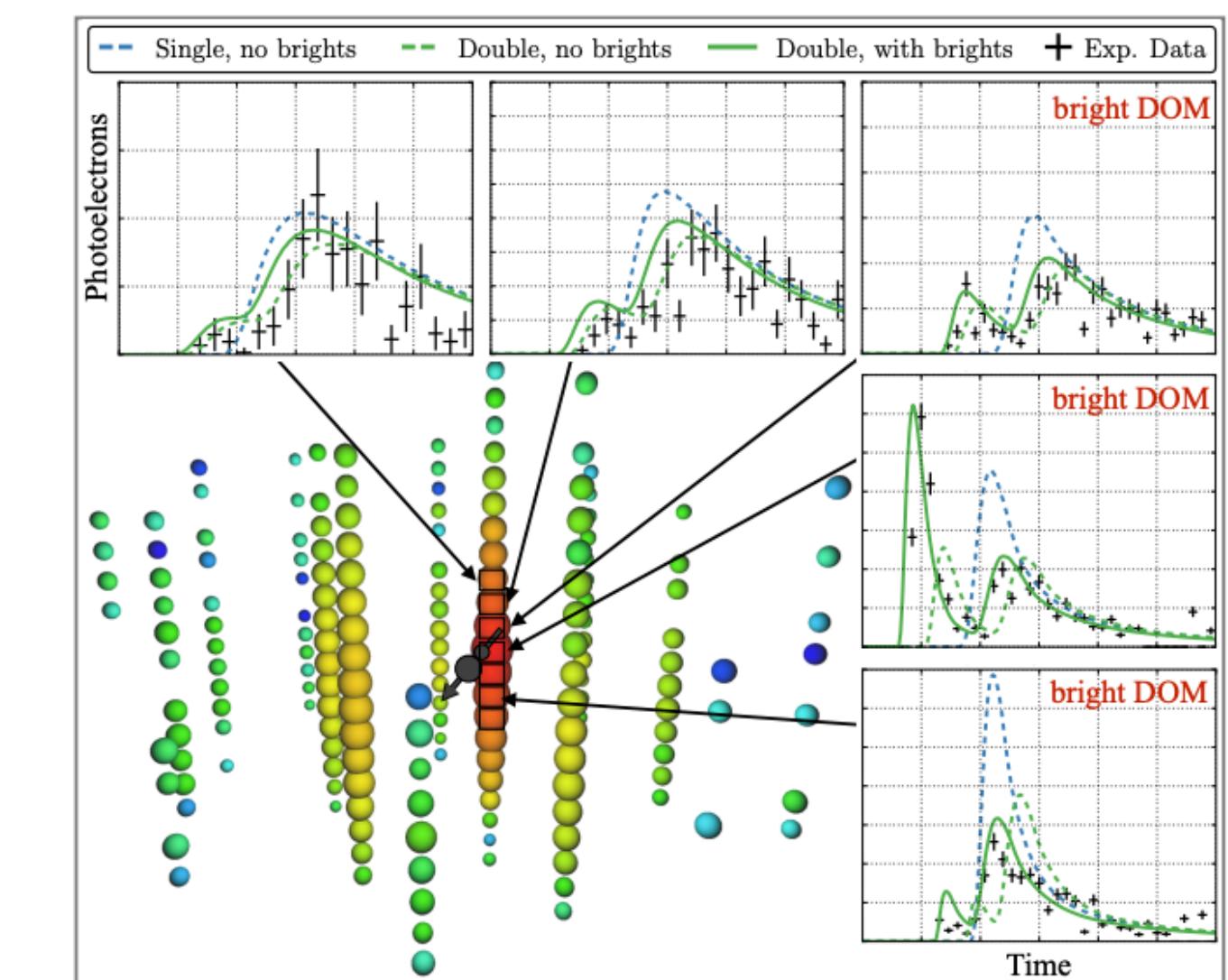
- HESE data + through-going muons



IceCube Collaboration, 1507.03991



IceCube Collaboration, 2011.03561



$$\Phi \propto E^{-\gamma}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{astro}} = 2.87^{+0.20}_{-0.19}$$

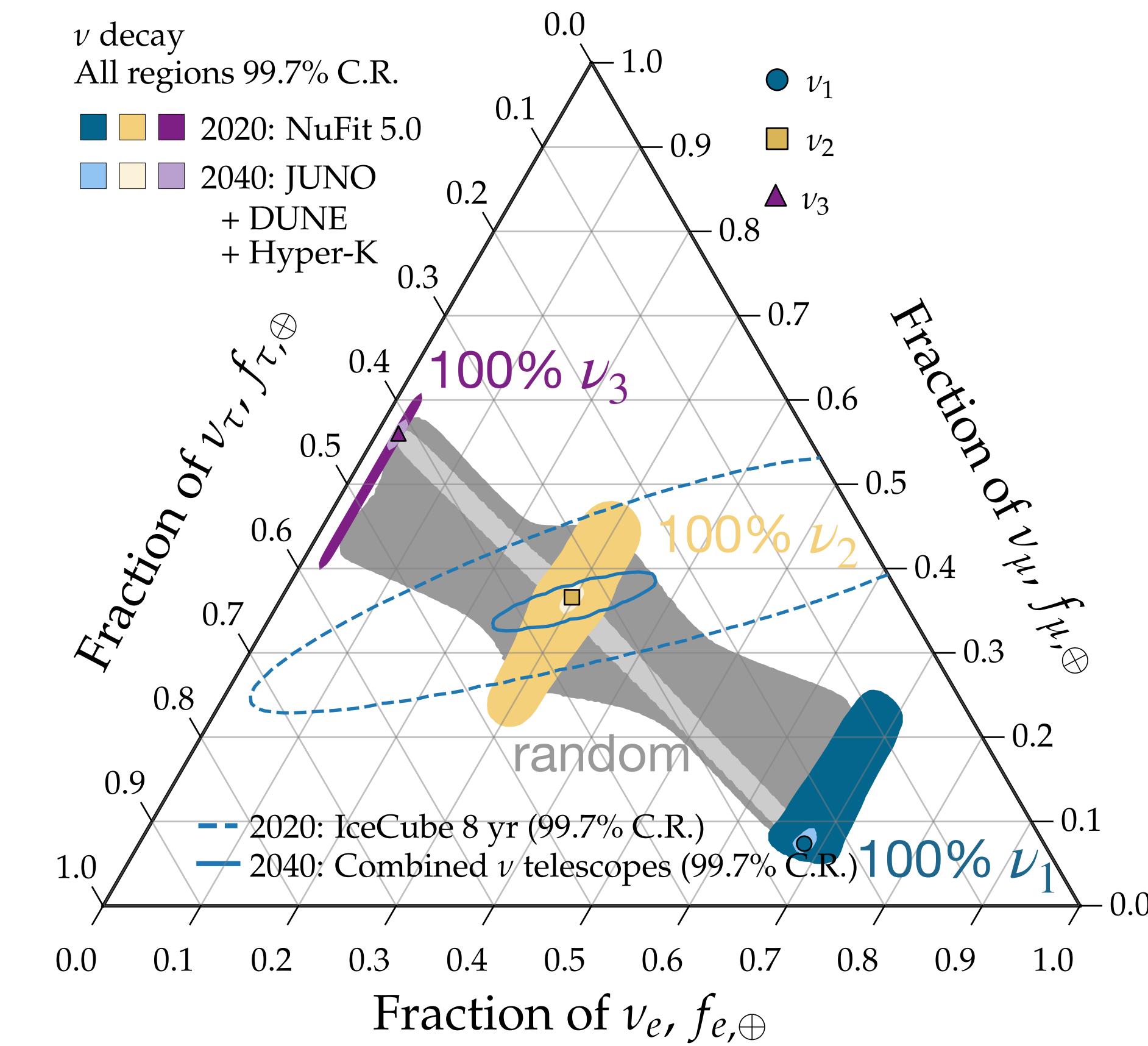
New Physics: Neutrino Decay

- Neutrino decay is model dependent and mass-ordering dependent
- With decay

$$f_{\beta,\oplus} = \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{\beta i}|^2 f_{i,\oplus}$$

See 1506.02645, 2005.07200 for similar decay studies

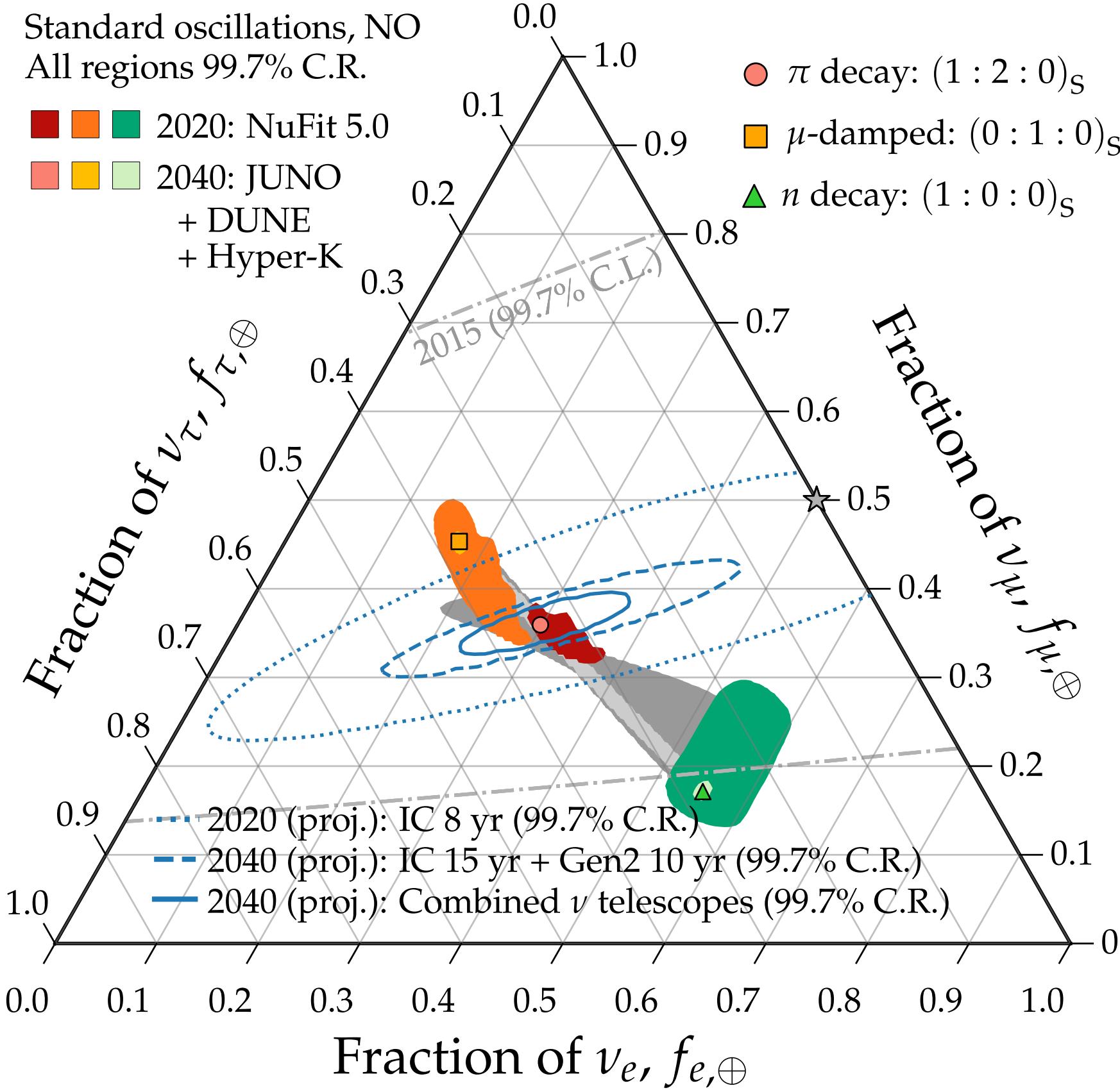
See 1506.02043, 1506.02645 for other new physics



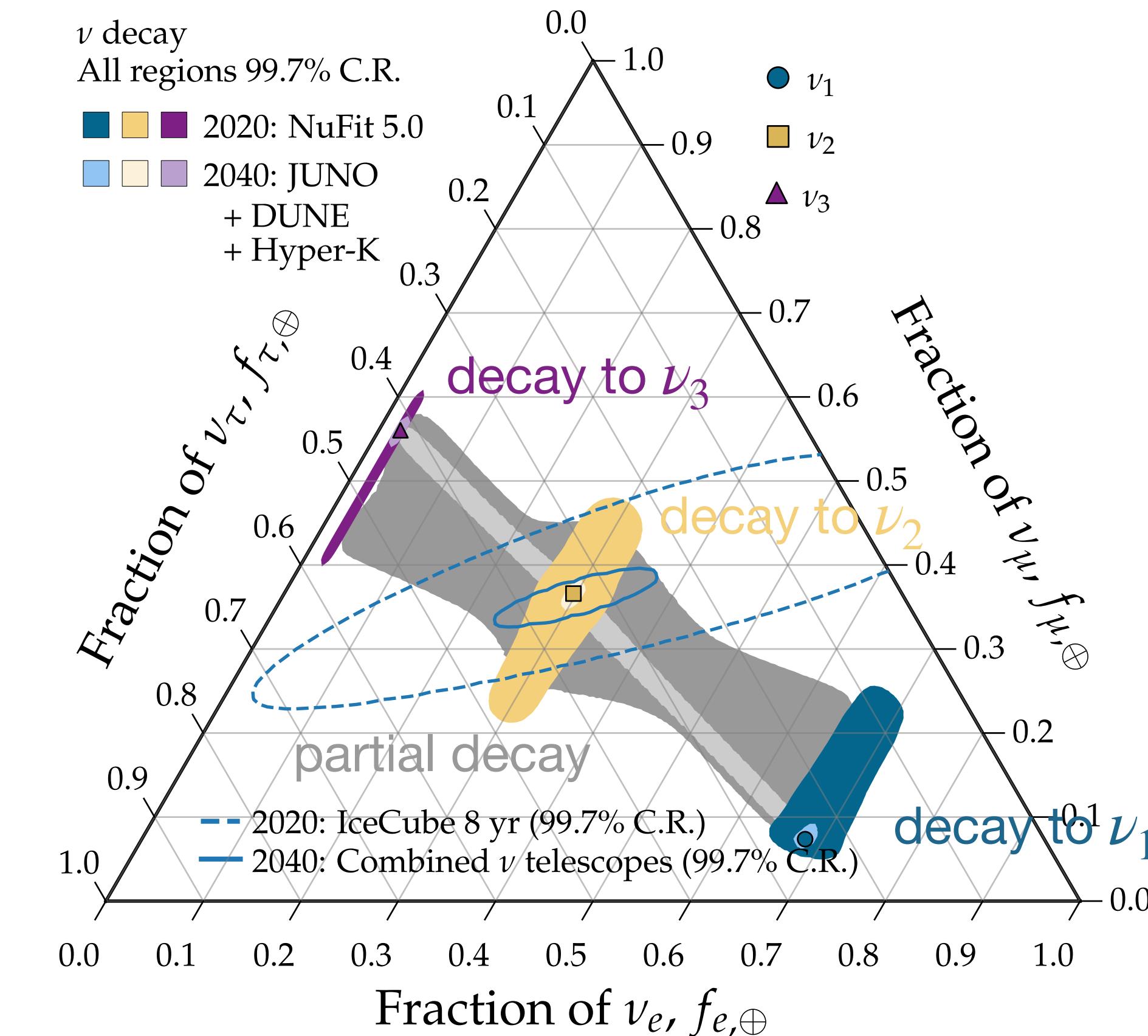
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Neutrino Decay

Standard Oscillation



Neutrino Decay

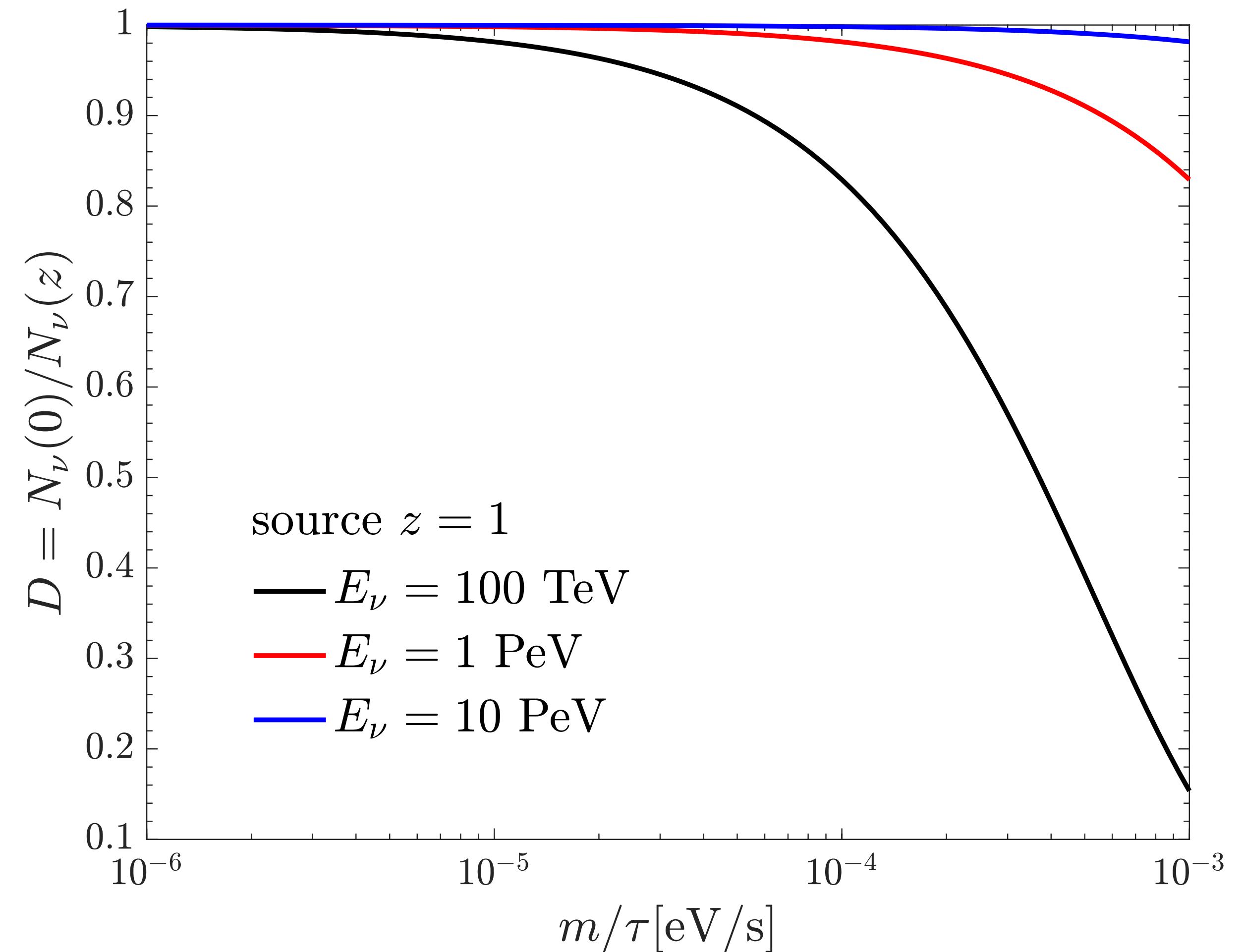


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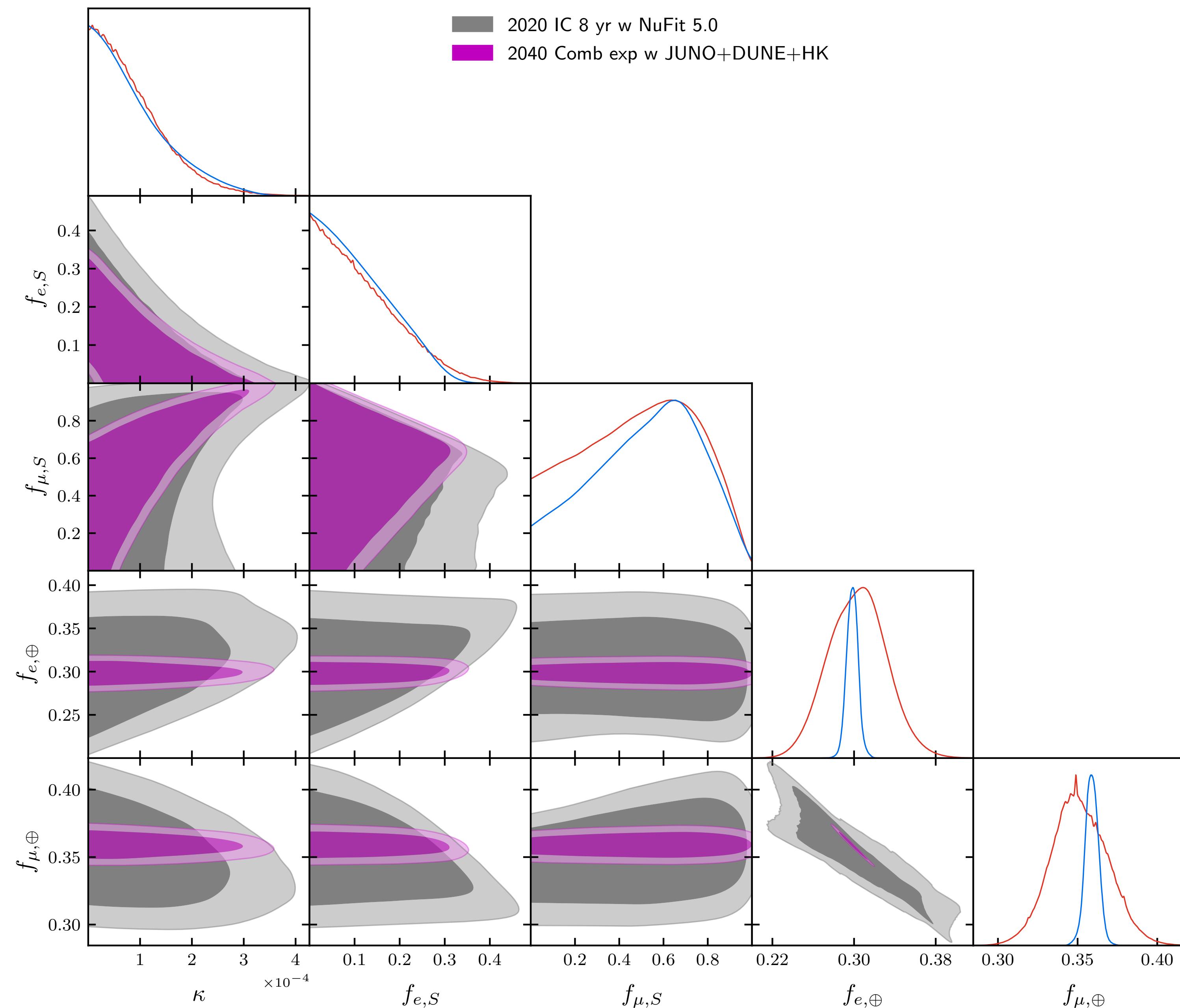
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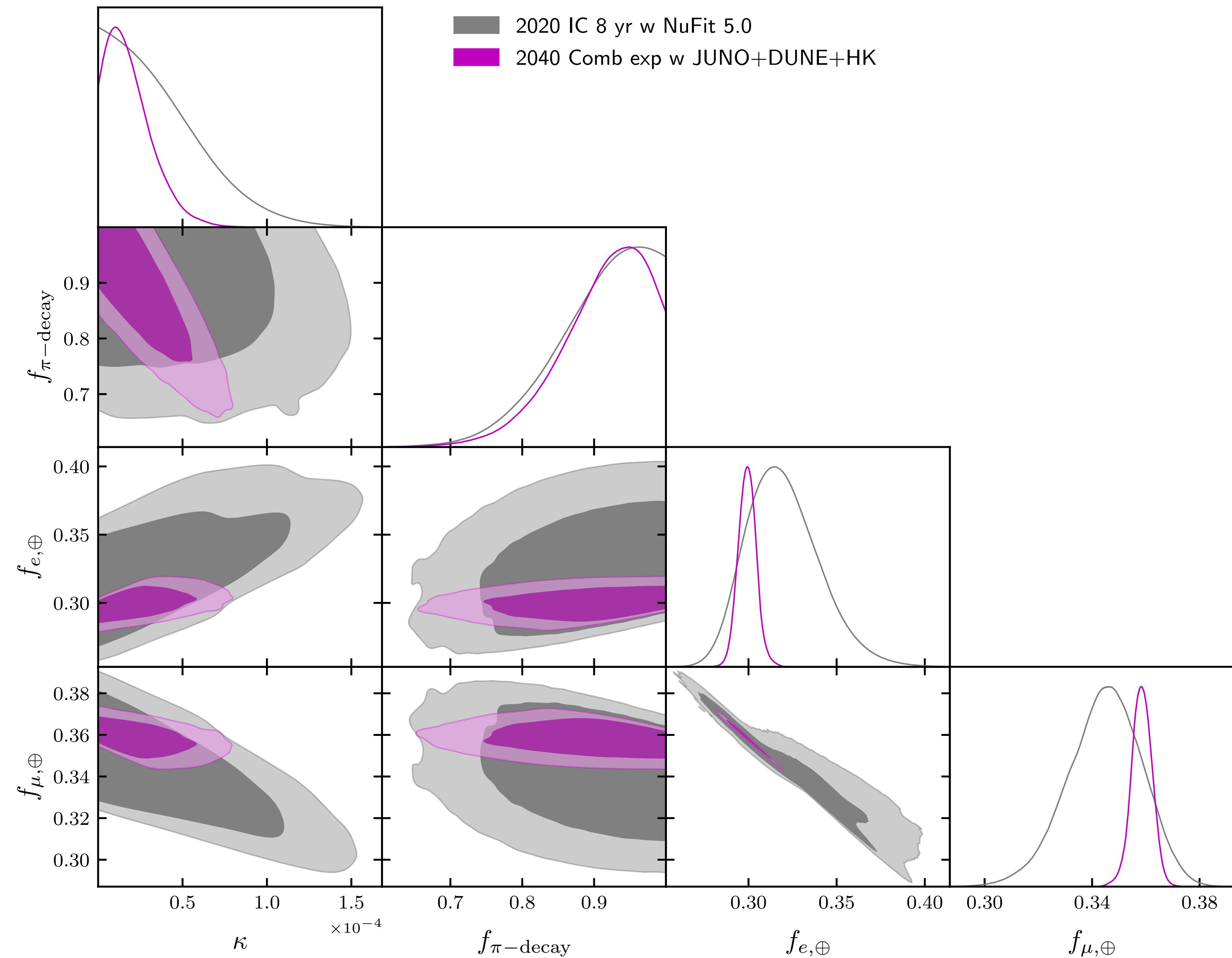


See 1208.4600, 1610.02096 for details

Neutrino Decay



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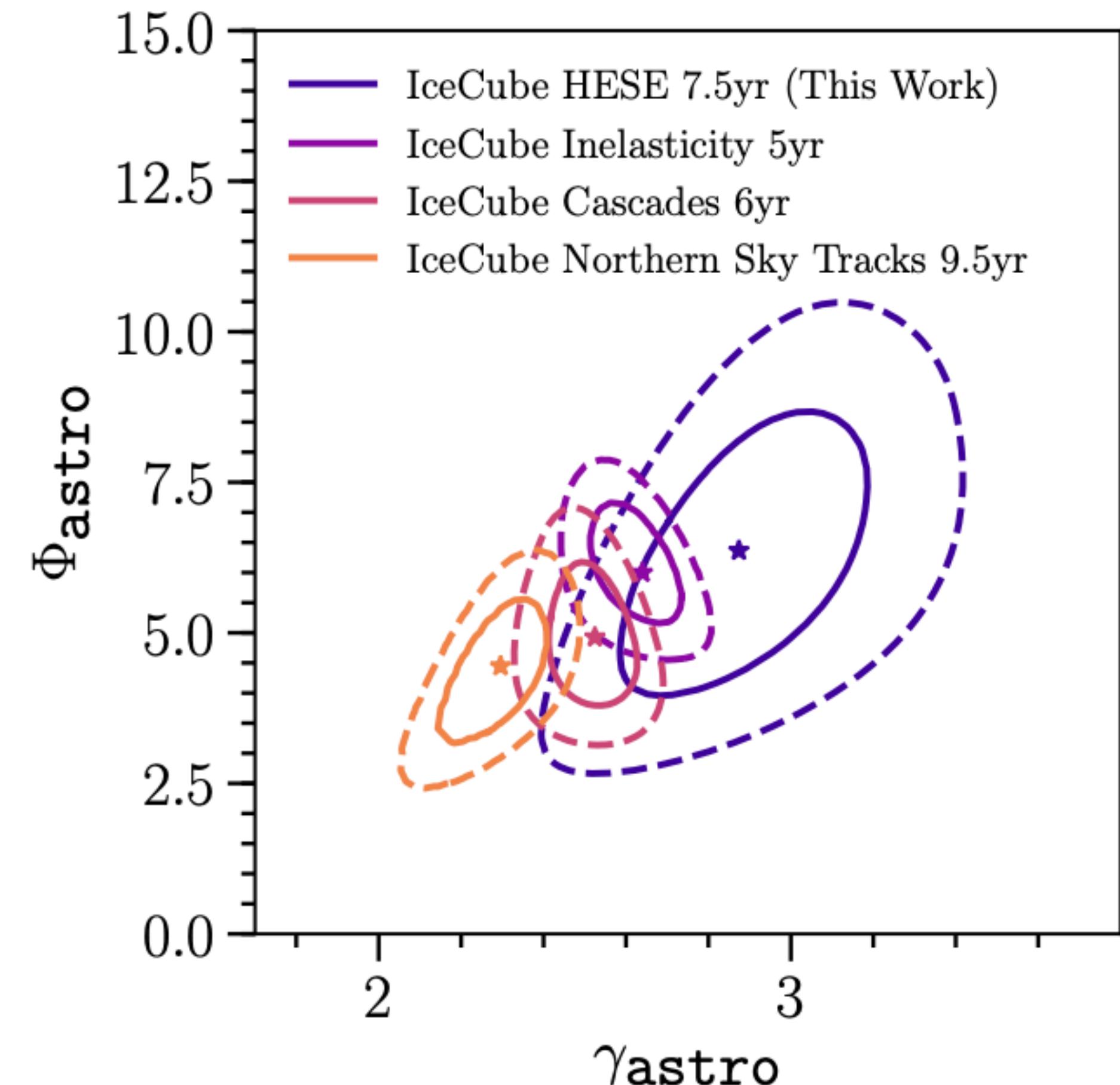


Astrophysical Neutrino Flux

IceCube Collaboration, 2011.03545

$$\frac{d\Phi_{6\nu}}{dE} = \Phi_{\text{astro}} \left(\frac{E_\nu}{100 \text{ TeV}} \right)^{-\gamma_{\text{astro}}} \cdot 10^{-18} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{sr}^{-1}$$

$\gamma_{\text{astro}} = 2.87^{+0.20}_{-0.19}$ HESE 7.5 years



Where We Are

NuFIT 5.0 (2020)

- Solar neutrinos + atmospheric neutrinos + reactor neutrinos + accelerator neutrinos
- $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ within 4%, $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ within 3%
- δ_{CP} and mass ordering less constrained

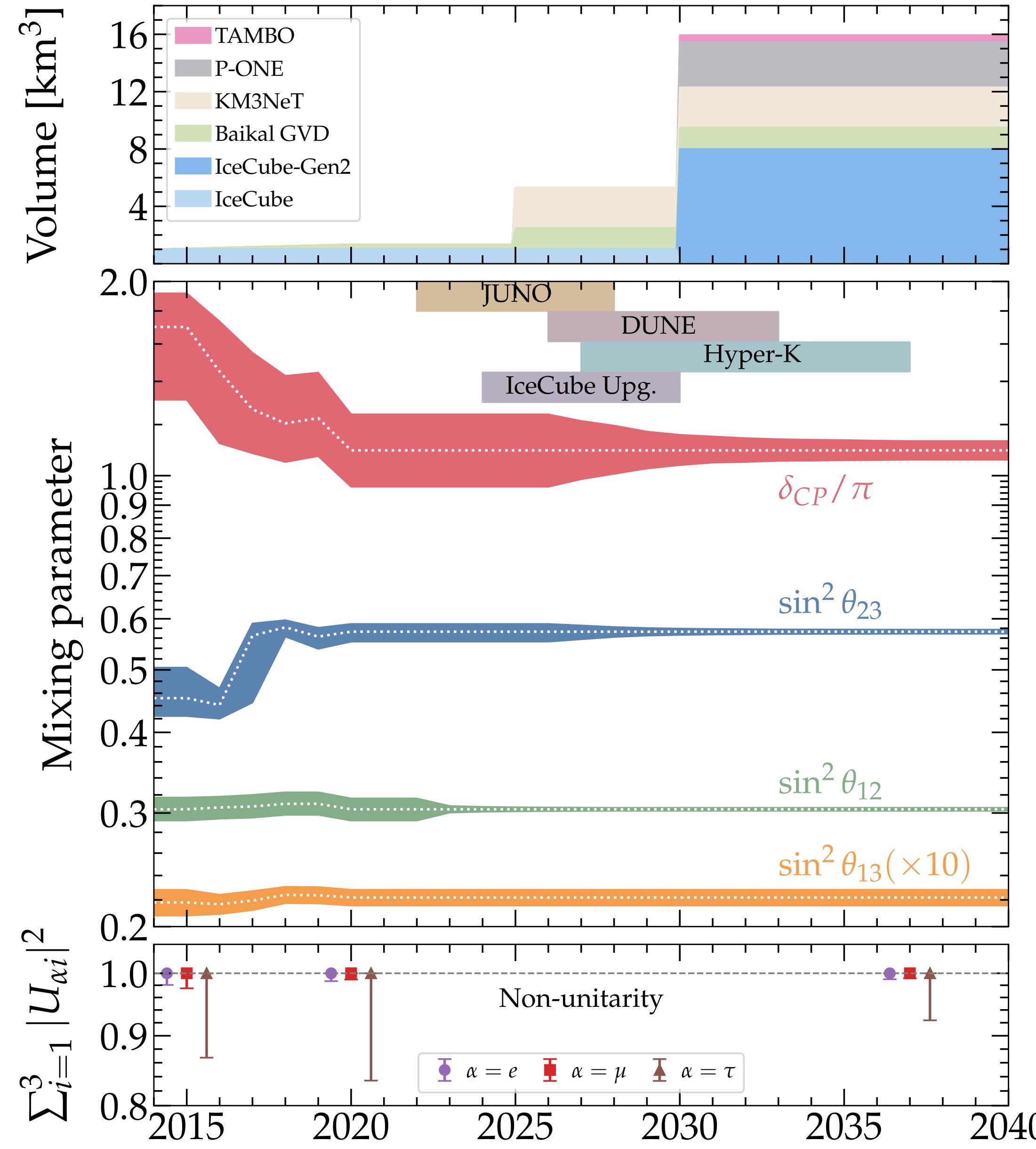
| | | Normal Ordering (best fit) | | Inverted Ordering ($\Delta\chi^2 = 2.7$) | |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| | | bfp $\pm 1\sigma$ | 3σ range | bfp $\pm 1\sigma$ | 3σ range |
| without SK atmospheric data | $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ | $0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$ | $0.269 \rightarrow 0.343$ | $0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$ | $0.269 \rightarrow 0.343$ |
| | $\theta_{12}/^\circ$ | $33.44^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$ | $31.27 \rightarrow 35.86$ | $33.45^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$ | $31.27 \rightarrow 35.87$ |
| | $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ | $0.570^{+0.018}_{-0.024}$ | $0.407 \rightarrow 0.618$ | $0.575^{+0.017}_{-0.021}$ | $0.411 \rightarrow 0.621$ |
| | $\theta_{23}/^\circ$ | $49.0^{+1.1}_{-1.4}$ | $39.6 \rightarrow 51.8$ | $49.3^{+1.0}_{-1.2}$ | $39.9 \rightarrow 52.0$ |
| | $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ | $0.02221^{+0.00068}_{-0.00062}$ | $0.02034 \rightarrow 0.02430$ | $0.02240^{+0.00062}_{-0.00062}$ | $0.02053 \rightarrow 0.02436$ |
| | $\theta_{13}/^\circ$ | $8.57^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$ | $8.20 \rightarrow 8.97$ | $8.61^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$ | $8.24 \rightarrow 8.98$ |
| | $\delta_{\text{CP}}/^\circ$ | 195^{+51}_{-25} | $107 \rightarrow 403$ | 286^{+27}_{-32} | $192 \rightarrow 360$ |
| | $\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$ | $7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ | $6.82 \rightarrow 8.04$ | $7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ | $6.82 \rightarrow 8.04$ |
| with SK atmospheric data | $\frac{\Delta m_{3\ell}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$ | $+2.514^{+0.028}_{-0.027}$ | $+2.431 \rightarrow +2.598$ | $-2.497^{+0.028}_{-0.028}$ | $-2.583 \rightarrow -2.412$ |
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| | $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ | $0.573^{+0.016}_{-0.020}$ | $0.415 \rightarrow 0.616$ | $0.575^{+0.016}_{-0.019}$ | $0.419 \rightarrow 0.617$ |
| | $\theta_{23}/^\circ$ | $49.2^{+0.9}_{-1.2}$ | $40.1 \rightarrow 51.7$ | $49.3^{+0.9}_{-1.1}$ | $40.3 \rightarrow 51.8$ |
| | $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ | $0.02219^{+0.00062}_{-0.00063}$ | $0.02032 \rightarrow 0.02410$ | $0.02238^{+0.00063}_{-0.00062}$ | $0.02052 \rightarrow 0.02428$ |

IceCube Collaboration, 2011.03561

Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz, Zhou, 2007.14792

What We Expect

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & \cdots \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & \cdots \\ U_{\tau} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$



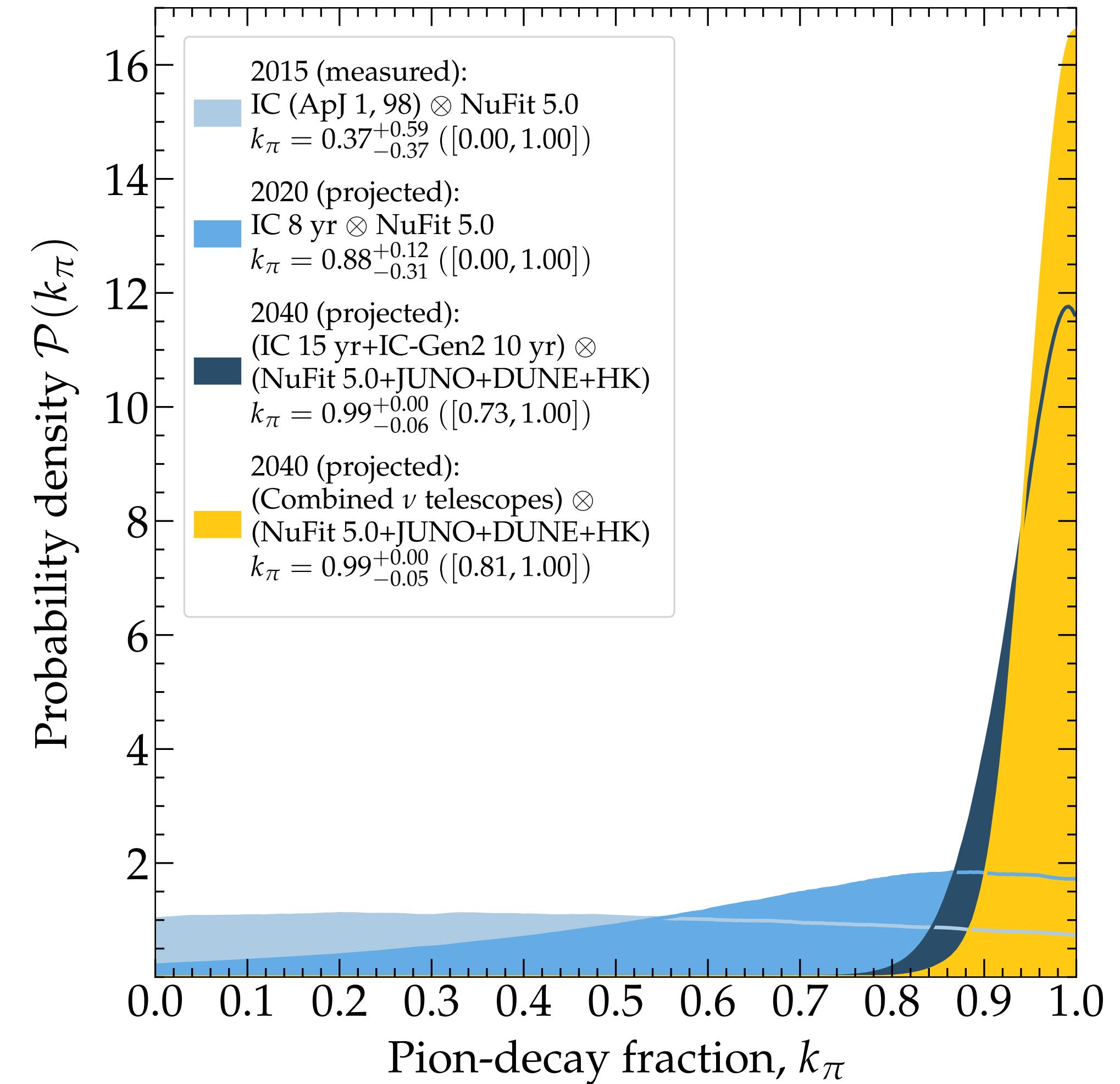
NS, Li, Argüelles, Bustamante, Vincent, 2012.xxxxx

Flavor Composition at Source

- Neutron decay very subdominant
- Assume $k_n = 0$

$$\mathcal{P}(k_\pi) = \int d\theta \mathcal{L}(\theta) \mathcal{L}_{\text{exp}}(f_\oplus(f_S(k_\pi), \theta)) \pi(k_\pi)$$

Pion decay determined
within 20% by 2040



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