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# A NORMALISING FLOW BASED BAYESIAN OSCILLATION ANALYSIS PIPELINE

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# BAYESIAN ANALYSIS.

- This corner plot is just a visualisation of this information:

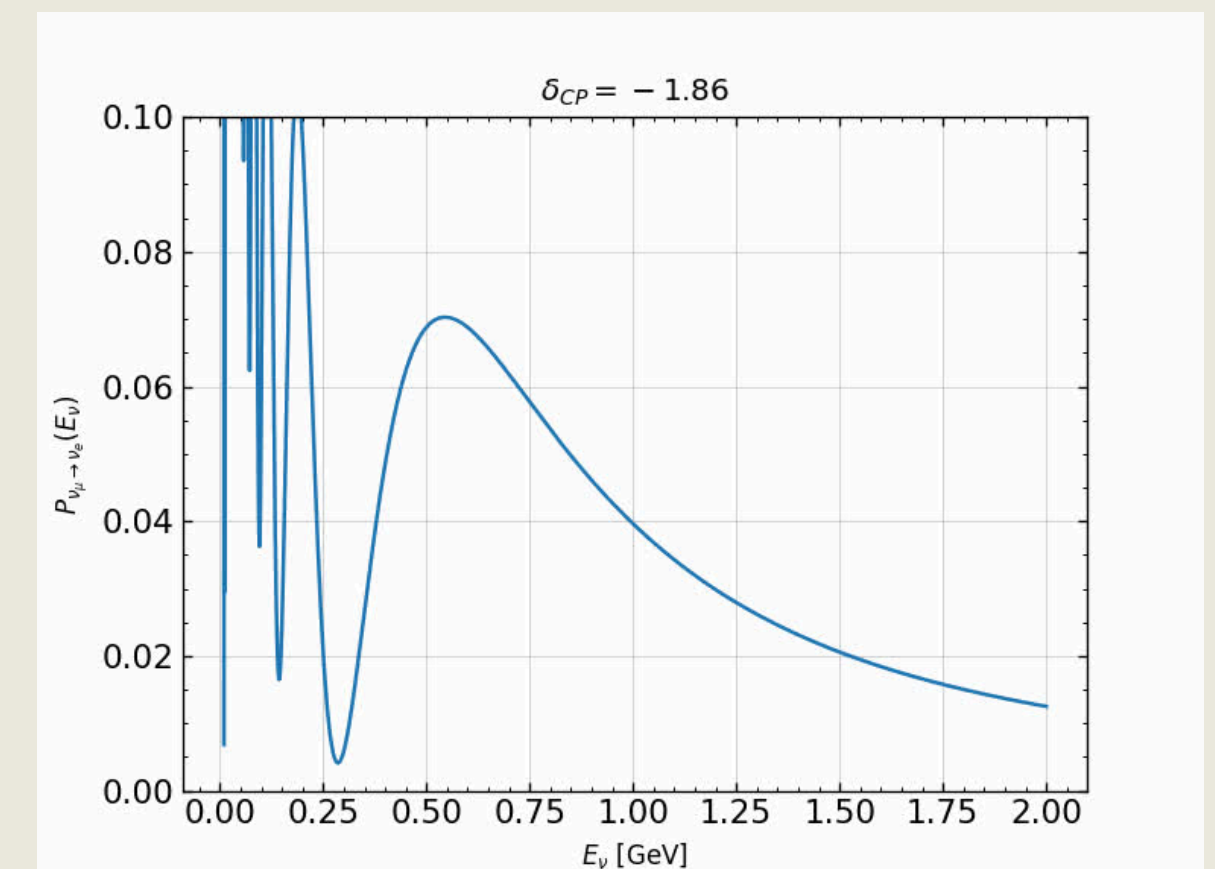
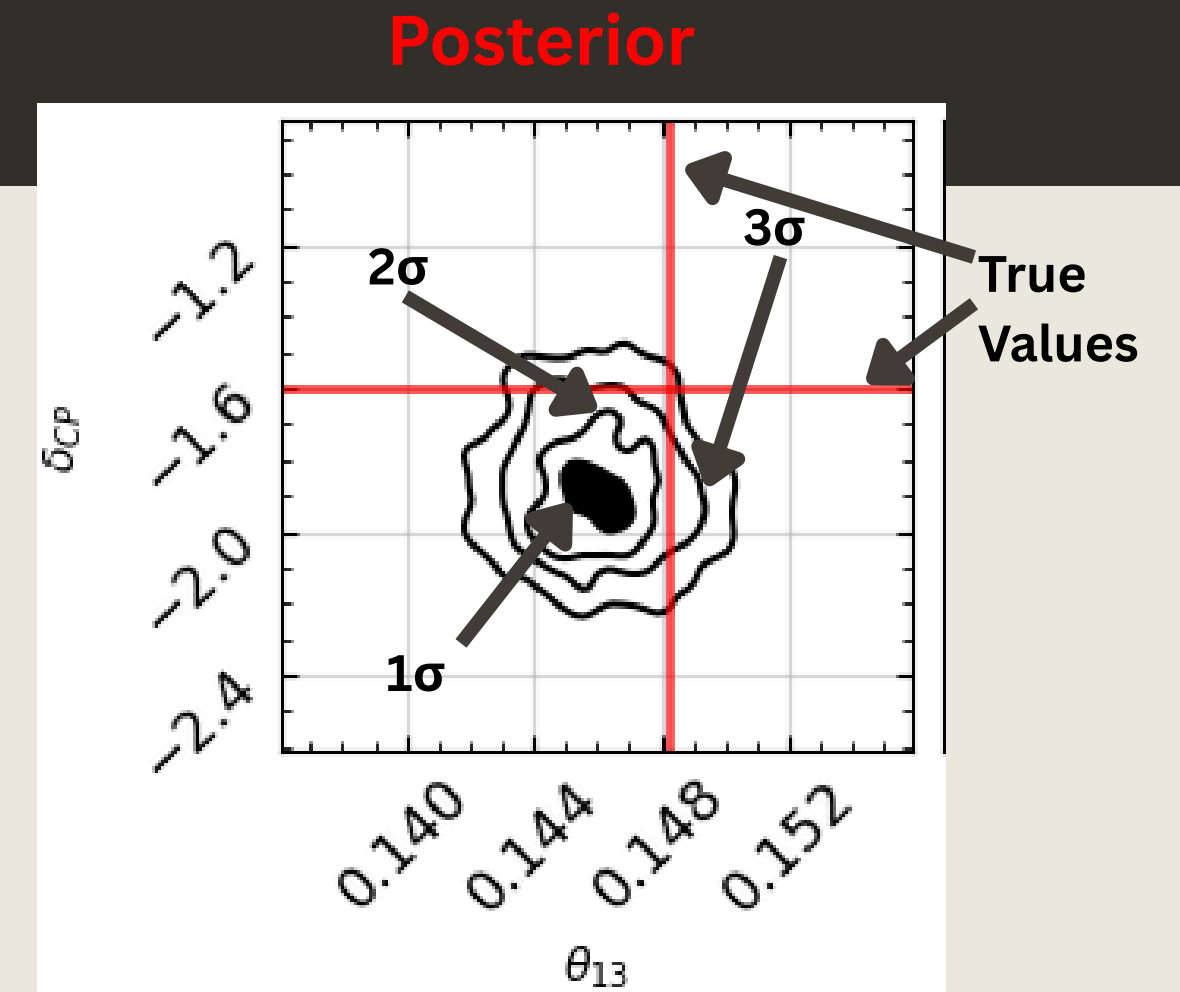
$$P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | data) \propto \mathcal{L}(data | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) \pi(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})$$

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Posterior      Likelihood      Prior

- $\theta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{CP}$  determines the distribution of **neutrino energies** but our **data** is not the neutrino energies
- the data is *some measured quantity that relates to the neutrino energy*
- So our **likelihood of seeing the data given some  $\theta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{CP}$**  decomposes like so:

$$P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | data) \propto \int \underbrace{\mathcal{L}(data | E_\nu)}_{\text{Detector Model}} \underbrace{\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} dE_\nu \underbrace{\pi(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Uniform Prior}}$$

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Uniform Prior

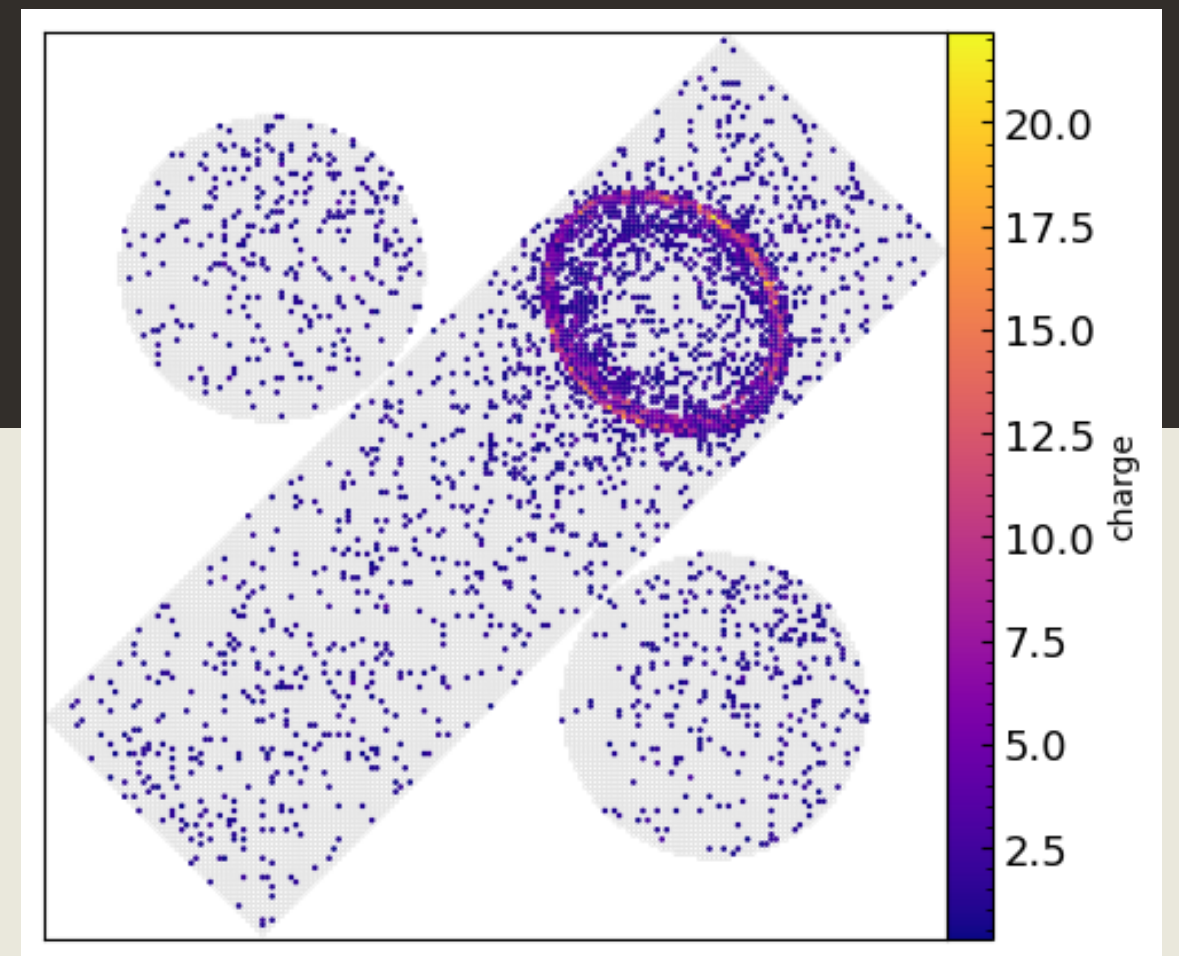


# THE DATA

- The raw data in this case are the PMT hit charges and times – **up to** 40,000 dimensions at FD
- mathematically difficult to construct a probability density for all 40,000 data points given some true energy.

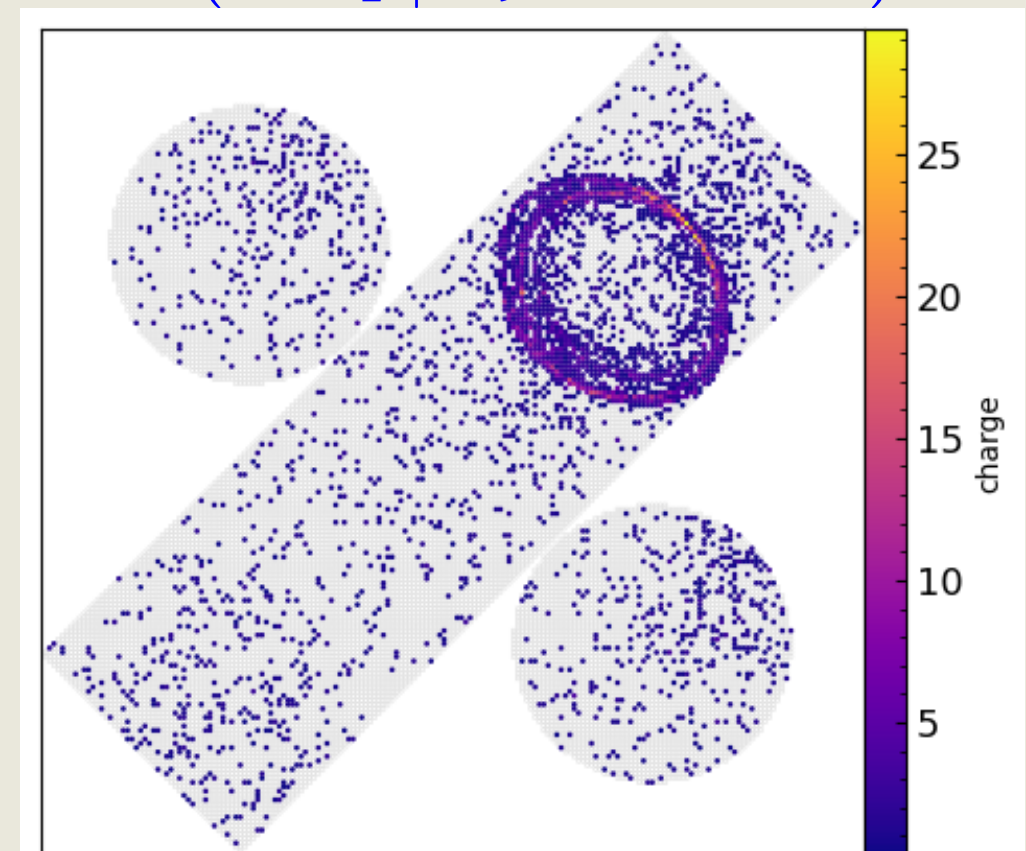
$$\mathcal{L}(\text{data} \mid E_\nu) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{\leq 40,000} \mid E_\nu)$$

- What is the probability distribution of these two data realisations of the same true energy?
- How do we compare them? Which is more likely?
- How do we even begin to construct a likelihood to describe this?



$$\mathcal{L}(\text{data}_1 \mid E_\nu = 600\text{MeV})$$

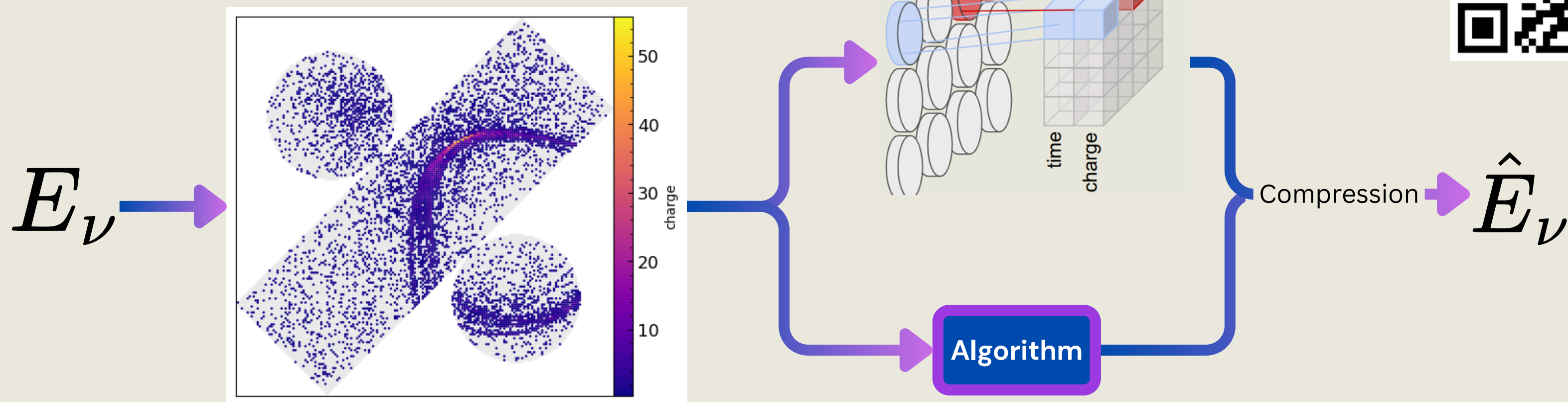
$$\mathcal{L}(\text{data}_2 \mid E_\nu = 600\text{MeV})$$



# RECONSTRUCTION AS DIMENSIONAL REDUCTION

- ResNet (and fiTQun) act to dimensionally reduce this data from  $\leq 40,000$  down to just a few summary statistics (i.e. the direction, energy, position, pid).

[ResNet reconstruction pre-print](#)



# THE VARIANCE IN THE DATA.

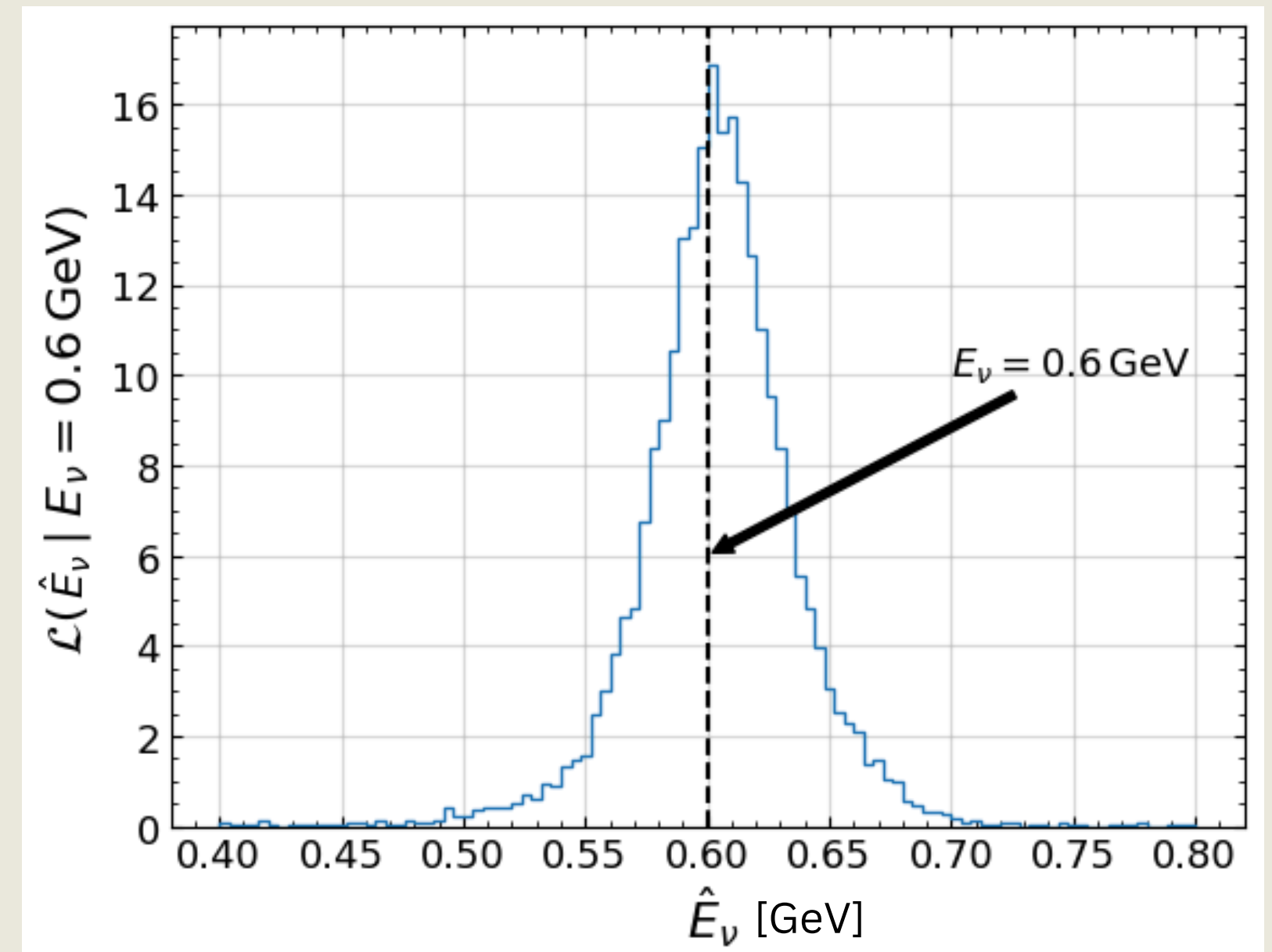
$$E_\nu = 300 \text{ MeV}$$

# ESTIMATING $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$

- By compressing the data down into a few summary statistics we make the likelihood much simpler while still capturing most of the information.

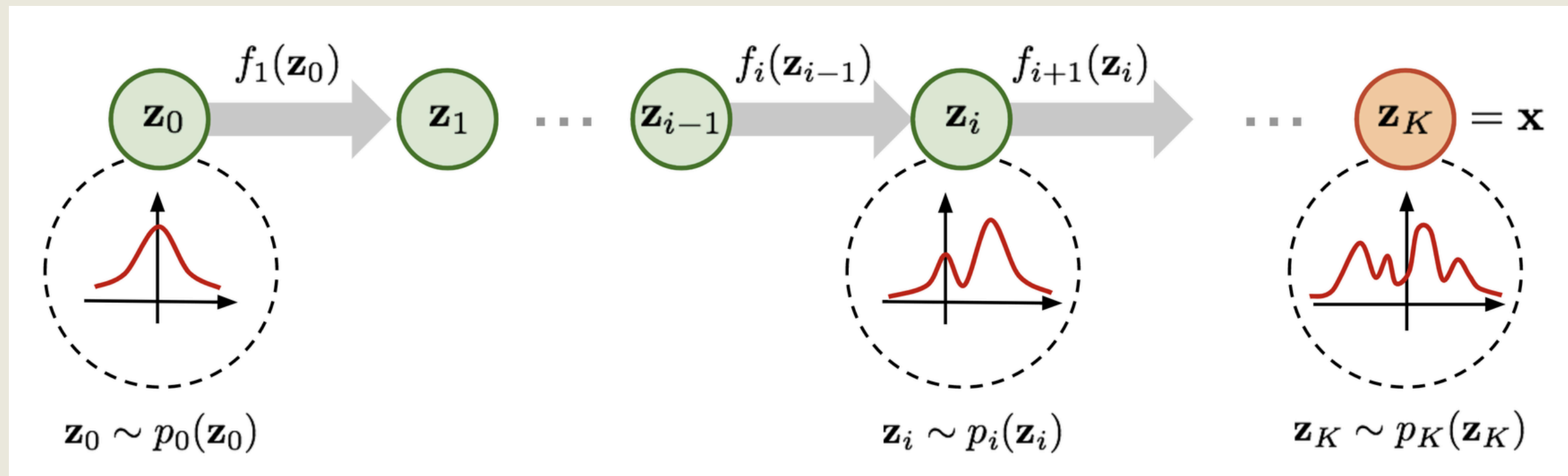
$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{\leq 40,000} | E_\nu) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$$

- Importantly, this makes building the likelihood empirically significantly more feasible!
- Well within the domain of what simulation based inference can do
- One approach we could take is using a KDE to estimate  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$
- KDEs scale extremely poorly with dimensionality and data [ $O(n^3)$ ] - curse of dimensionality :(
- What if we want a distribution over more dimensions? Eg  $\mathcal{L}(E_\ell, \theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, x, y, z, PID | E_\nu)$



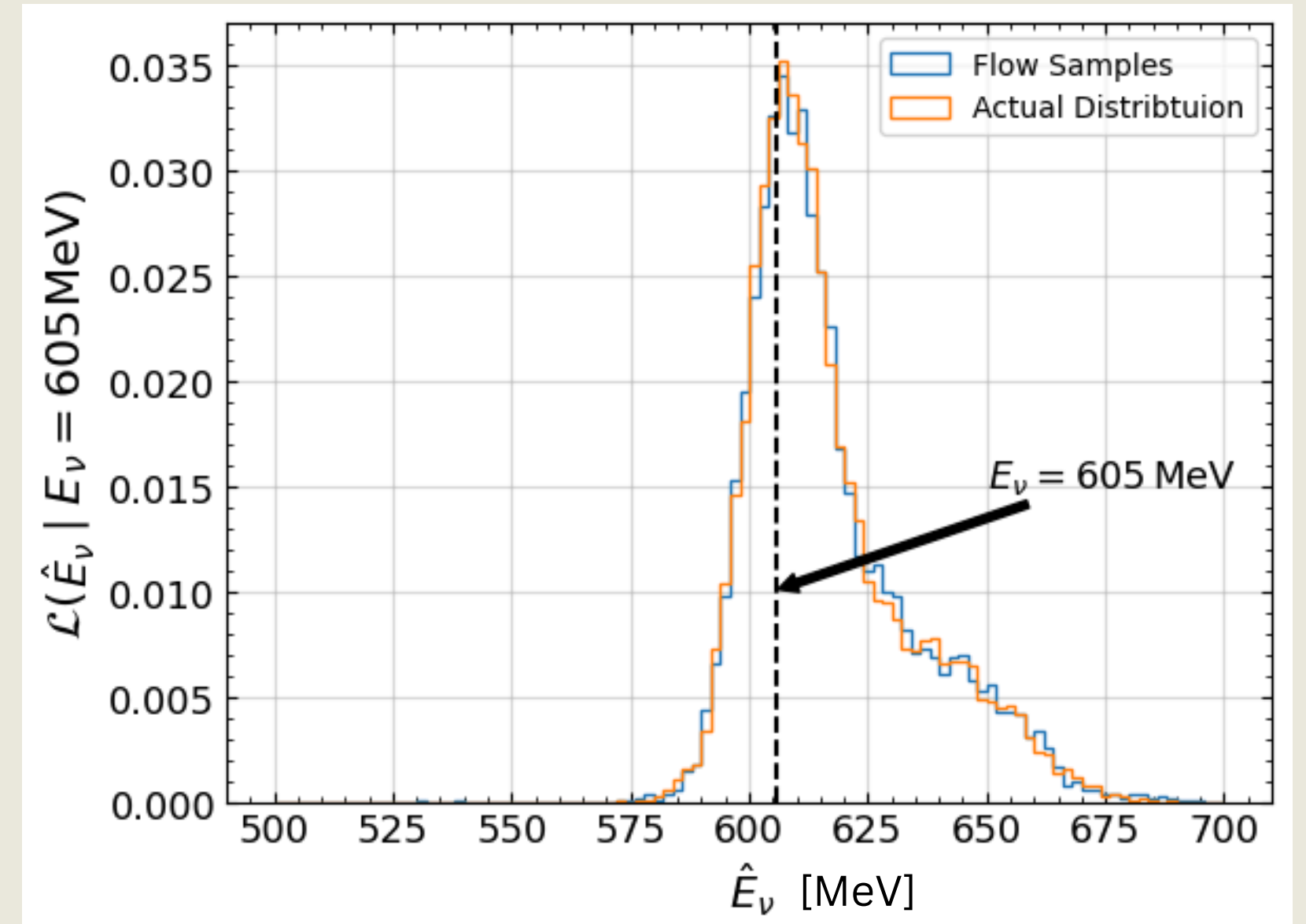
# NORMALISING FLOWS.

- A **normalising flow** can easily handle these higher dimensions
- A normalising flow is a type of neural network that attempts to learn a series of bijective *transformations* which allows you to transform some base distribution (often a Gaussian) into a more complicated distribution (eg  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$  or  $\mathcal{L}(E_\ell, \theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, x, y, z | E_\nu)$ ).
- “Neural simulation based inference” - Used ubiquitously throughout data inference world



# FLOW AS A DENSITY ESTIMATOR.

- The normalising flow allows us to estimate the probability density of  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$
- Trained a flow on pairs of  $(\hat{E}_\nu, E_\nu)$  such that the flow learned  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)$
- Importantly, this gives you an **unbinned event-by-event** likelihood we can evaluate to ultimately sample the posterior
- **All information conserving past the initial compression!**
- Doesn't even matter if ResNet or fiTQun is right or unbiased! Likelihood will just broaden or shift



$$P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \hat{E}_\nu) \propto \int \underbrace{\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)}_{\text{Detector Model (flow)}} \underbrace{\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} dE_\nu$$

- **Note:** We actually use  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu, \text{towall} | E_\nu)$  but for now we will keep it simple as 1D

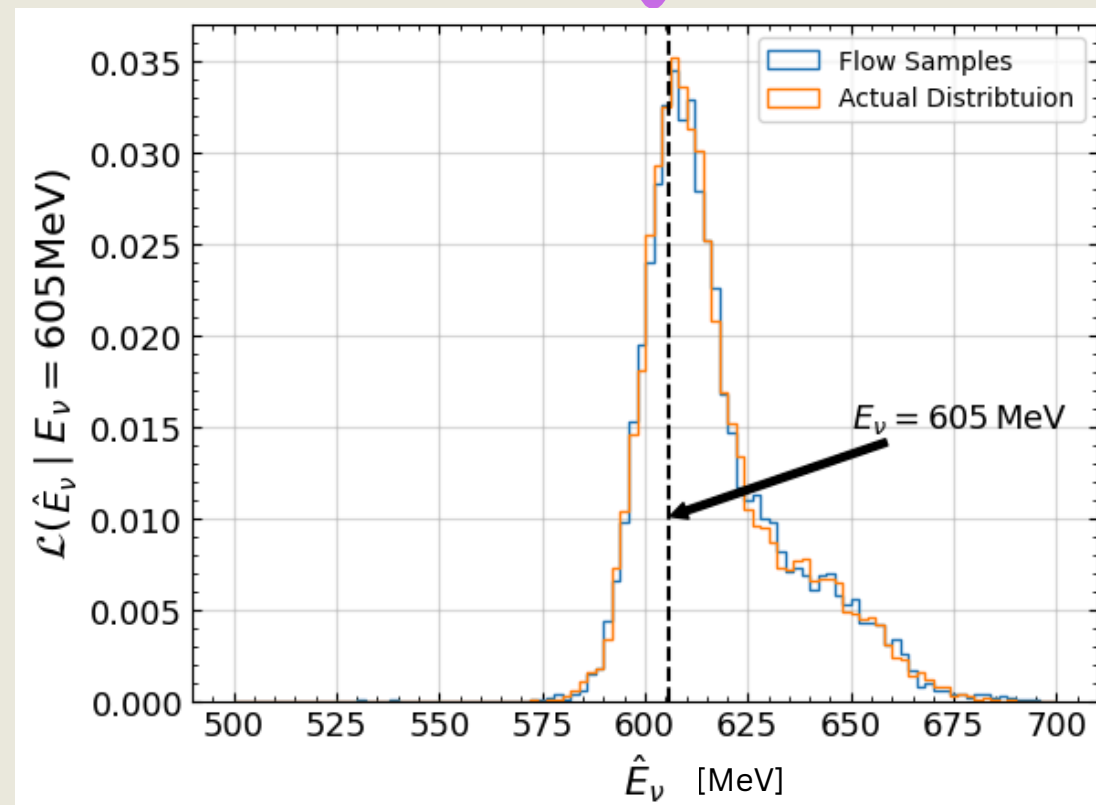
# WHY DO THIS?

Each event has a measured energy and uncertainty



# COMING BACK TO THE GOAL.

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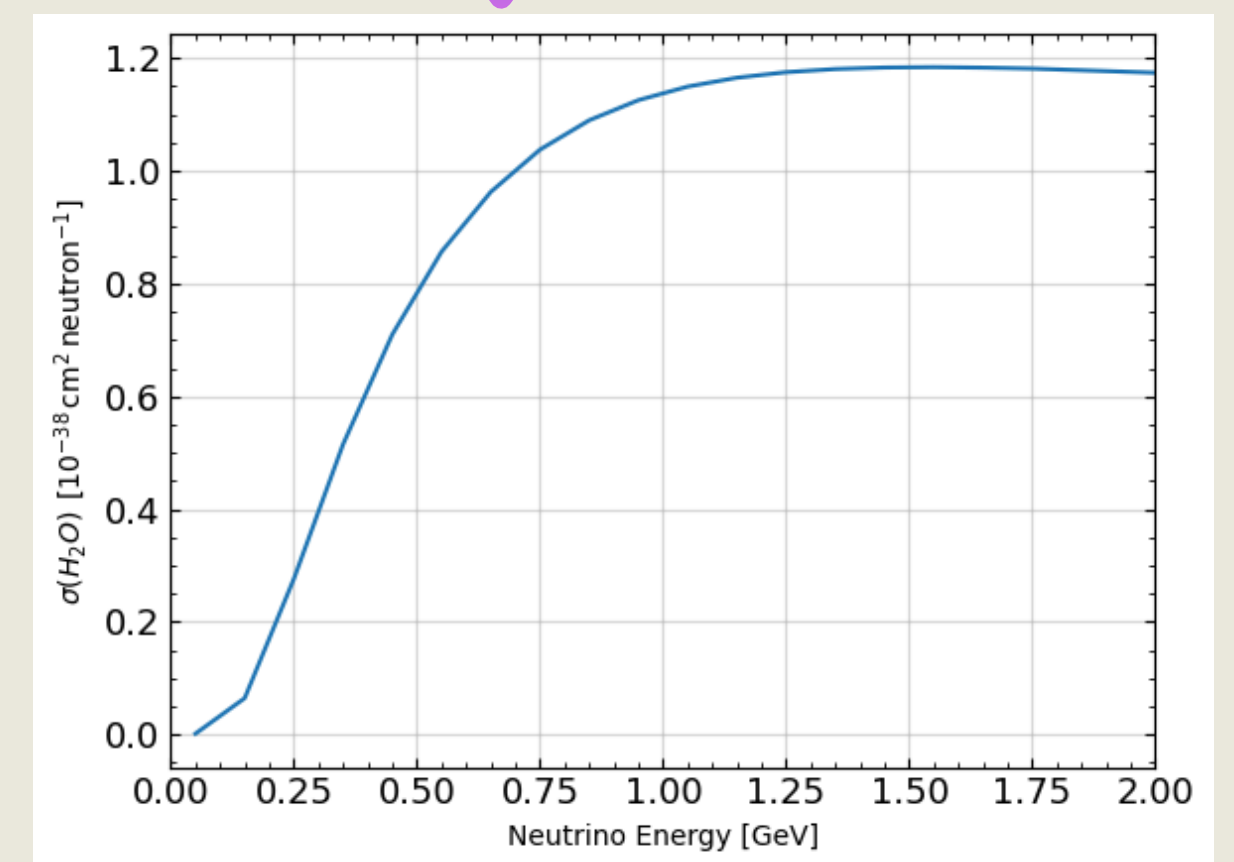
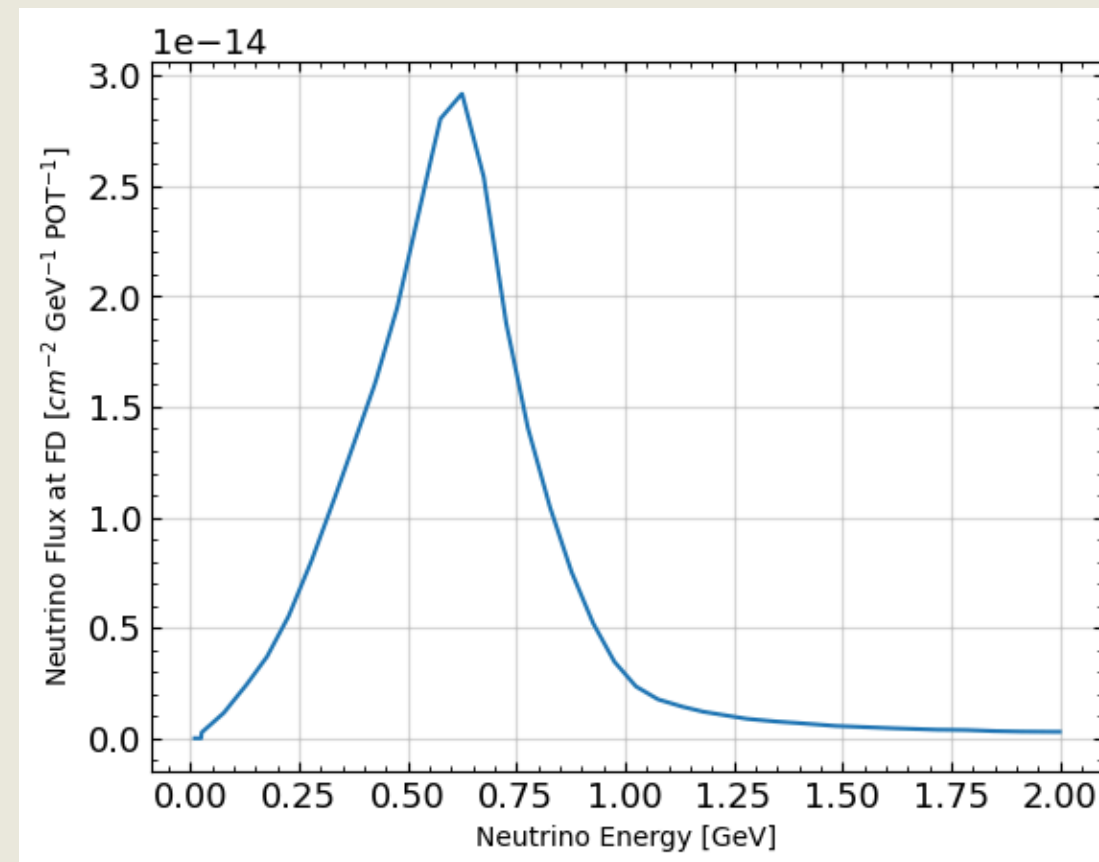
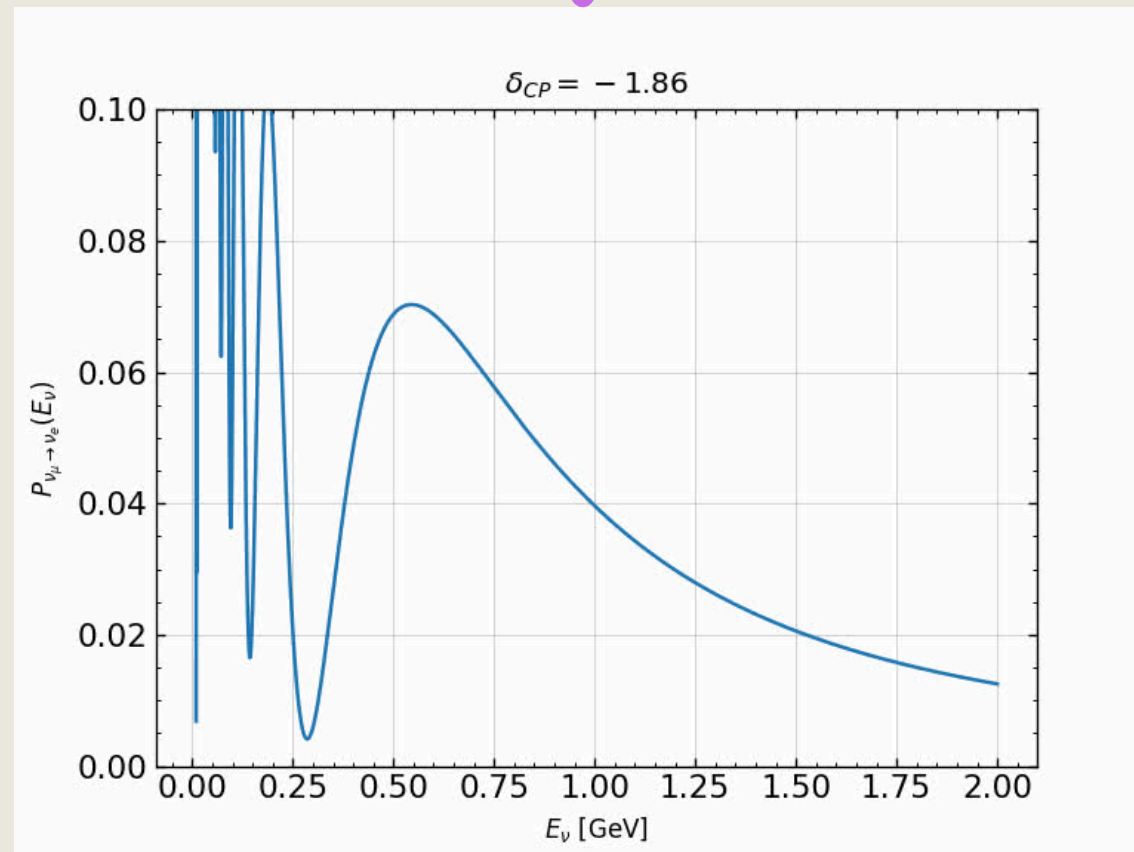


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# THE PHYSICS PRIOR.

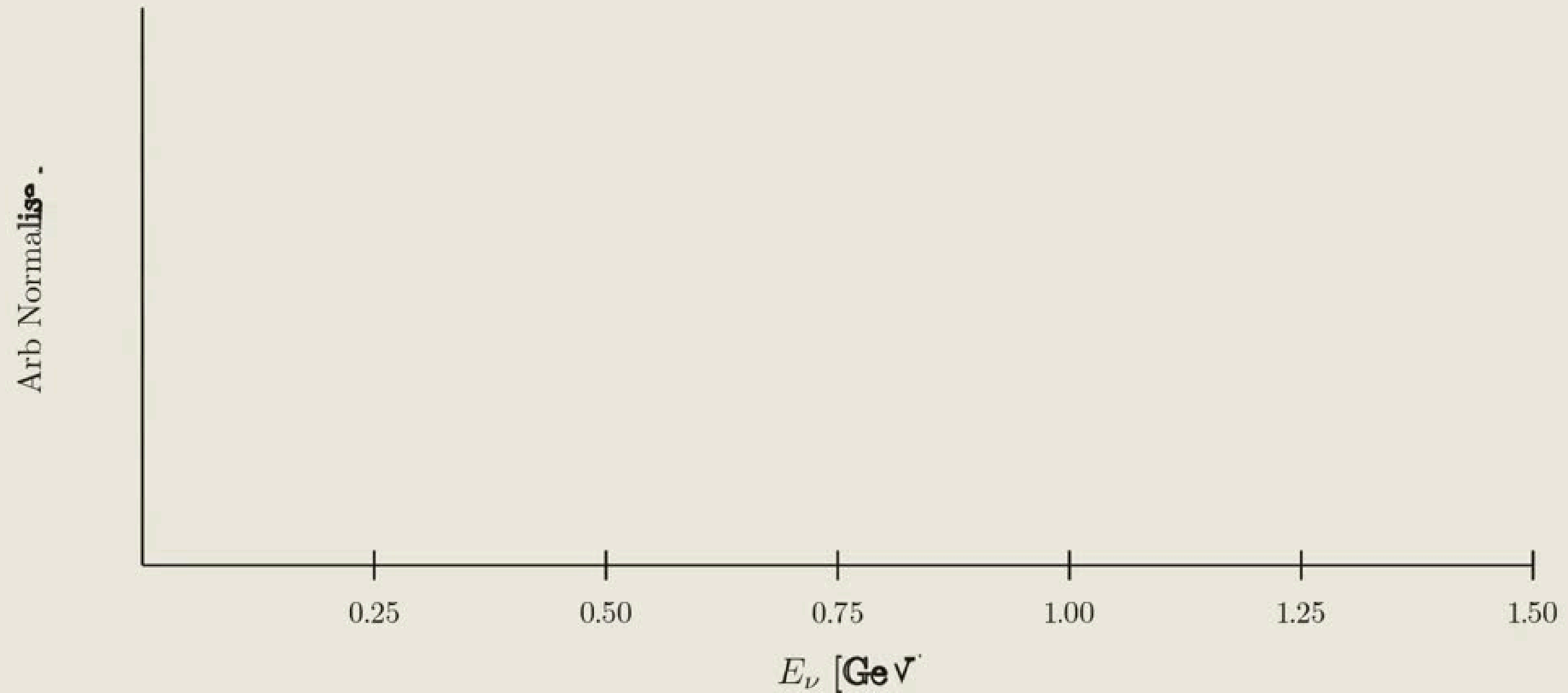
$$\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) \propto P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e}(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) \times \phi(E_\nu) \times \epsilon(E_\nu) \times \sigma(E_\nu) \times N_{\text{targets}}$$

Annotations:  $0.6??$  (pointing to  $\epsilon(E_\nu)$ ),  $5 \times 10^{34}$  (pointing to  $N_{\text{targets}}$ )



Toy Data - Not Official

# THE PHYSICS PRIOR.



# USING ALL THE DATA

$$\overbrace{P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \hat{E}_\nu)}^{\text{Posterior}} \propto \int \overbrace{\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu)}^{\text{Detector Model (flow)}} \overbrace{\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}^{\text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} dE_\nu$$

- Above expression is for a **single** accelerator neutrino event
- Including all available accelerator neutrino data would result in a product over the marginalised likelihoods

$$P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}) \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i | E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu$$

# INCLUDING RATE INFO

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Posterior} \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{10em}} \\
 P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}) \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \underbrace{\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i | E_\nu)}_{\text{Detector Model (flow)}} \underbrace{\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} dE_\nu
 \end{array}$$

- This expression will tell you how the likely the *shape* of the observed neutrino energy distribution is for given oscillation parameters.
- We also want to include information about how the *expected number* of neutrinos differs from the *observed number*.

$$P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}, N_{\text{obs}}) \propto \frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{-N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i | E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu$$

# ADDING ANTINEUTRINO INFO

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Posterior} \\
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 P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} \mid \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}, N_{\text{obs}}) \propto \frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i \mid E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu
 \end{array}$$

Count Information
Detector Model (flow)
Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics

- Information about the total number of neutrinos by itself is not informative about oscillation parameters
- The inclusion of Anti-neutrino information is where information lies

$$\begin{array}{l}
 P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} \mid \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}, \{\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i\}, N_{\text{obs}}, \bar{N}_{\text{obs}}) \propto \frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i \mid E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu \left. \vphantom{\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!}} \right\} \text{Neutrino Info} \\
 \times \frac{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} e^{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}}}{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i \mid E_{\bar{\nu}}) \pi(E_{\bar{\nu}} \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_{\bar{\nu}} \left. \vphantom{\frac{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} e^{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}}}{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}!}} \right\} \text{Anti-Neutrino Info}
 \end{array}$$

# THE FINAL POSTERIOR

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Posterior} \\
 & P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} \mid \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}, \{\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i\}, N_{\text{obs}}, \bar{N}_{\text{obs}}) \propto \underbrace{\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i \mid E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu}_{\text{Count Information} \quad \text{Detector Model (flow)} \quad \text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} \underbrace{\}_{\text{Neutrino Info}} \\
 & \quad \times \underbrace{\frac{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} e^{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}}}{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i \mid E_{\bar{\nu}}) \pi(E_{\bar{\nu}} \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_{\bar{\nu}}}_{\text{Anti-Neutrino Info}} \underbrace{\pi(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Prior}} \\
 & \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{Marginalised Likelihood}}
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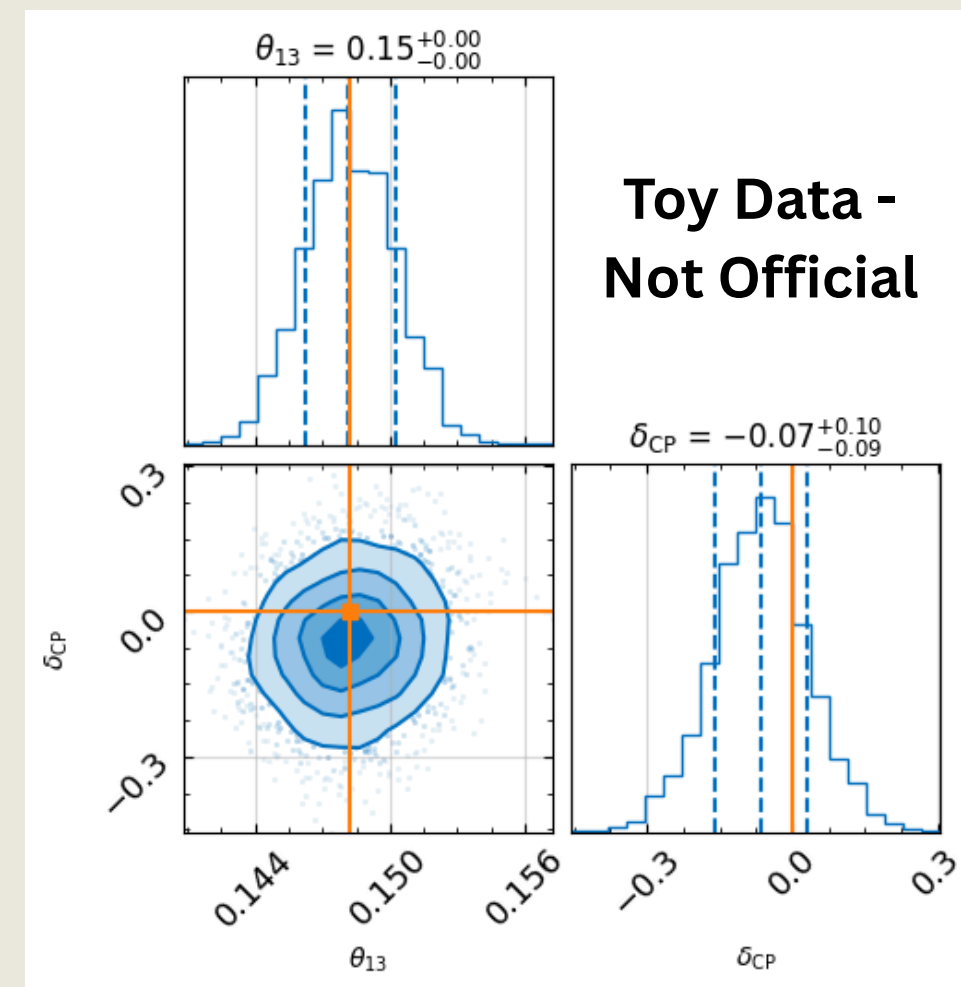
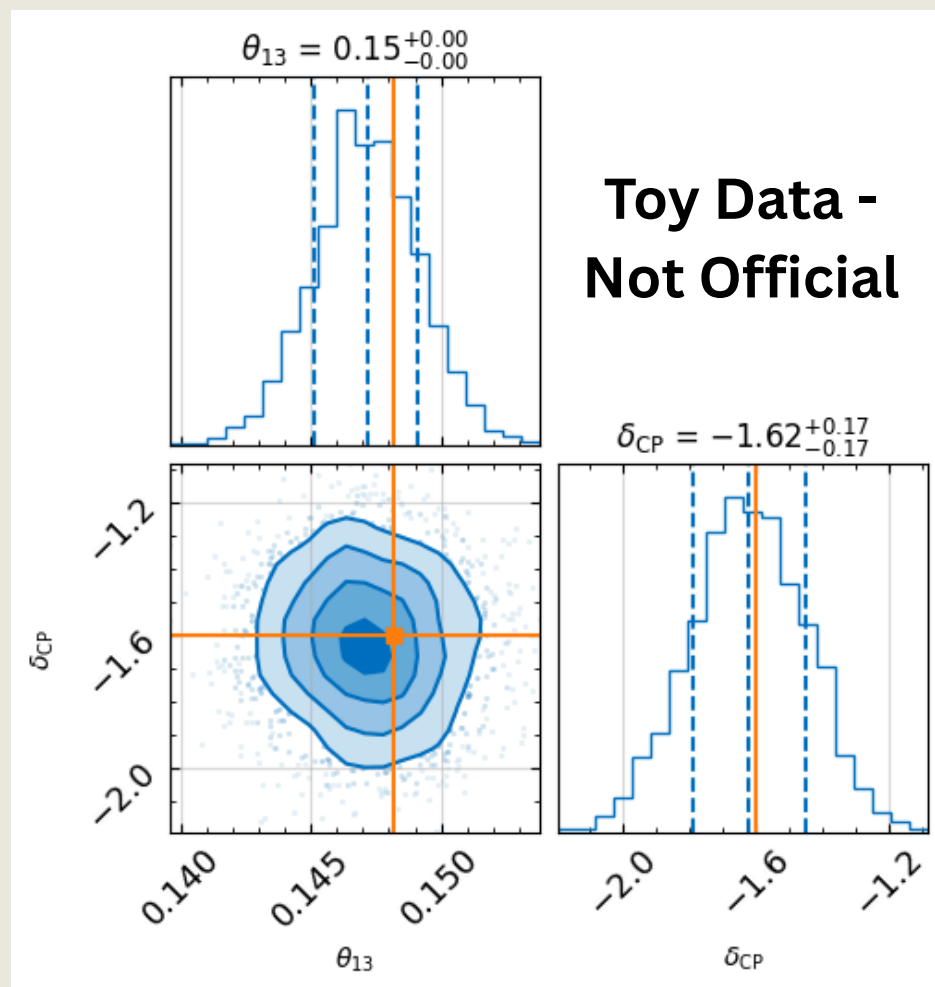
- Can continue to play this game by adding more terms for more physics eg  $\nu_\mu$  survival, interaction modes, beam contaminants, **more oscillation parameters**, etc but we stopped here for this analysis.
- From this construction we can sample the **posterior** by evaluating the **marginal likelihood** at different values of  $\theta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{CP}$  under some **prior** belief about them (uniform in both)
- We use nested sampling to do so, but any sampler is fine

# PERFORMANCE

$$\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu, \text{towell} | E_\nu)$$

$$\delta_{\text{CP}} = -1.601$$

$$\delta_{\text{CP}} = 0$$



Neutrino Events: 1143  
Anti Neutrino Events: 440

Neutrino Events: 902  
Anti Neutrino Events: 609

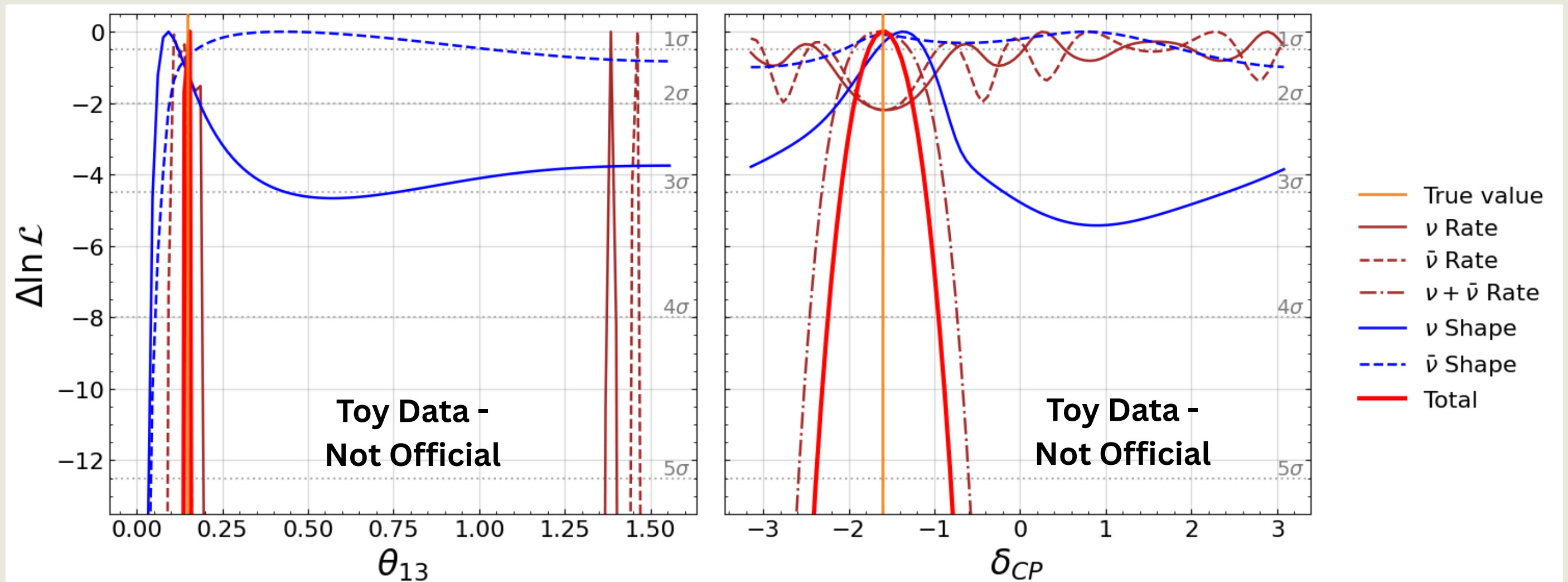
- $2.7 \times 10^{22}$  POT with 1:3 FHC to RHC ratio
- In this toy model can exclude CP conservation to  $5\sigma$  when only statistics are used
- Posteriors will undoubtedly broaden when we include systematics, generators, etc but for now it looks good

**This is toy data - doesn't represent final results**

$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$\Delta m_{32}^2$	$\Delta m_{21}^2$	MO	$\rho_e$
0.307	0.0218	0.528	0.002509	0.0000753	normal	2.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup>

# INDIVIDUAL TERMS

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underbrace{P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} \mid \{\hat{E}_\nu^i\}, \{\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i\}, N_{\text{obs}}, \bar{N}_{\text{obs}})}_{\text{“Total”}} \propto \underbrace{\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} e^{-N_{\text{exp}}}}{N_{\text{obs}}!}}_{\text{“Rate”}} \underbrace{\prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu^i \mid E_\nu) \pi(E_\nu \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_\nu}_{\text{“Shape”}} \} \nu \\
 & \times \frac{\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} e^{-\bar{N}_{\text{exp}}}}{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}!} \prod_{i=1}^{\bar{N}_{\text{obs}}} \int \mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_{\bar{\nu}}^i \mid E_{\bar{\nu}}) \pi(E_{\bar{\nu}} \mid \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) dE_{\bar{\nu}} \} \bar{\nu}
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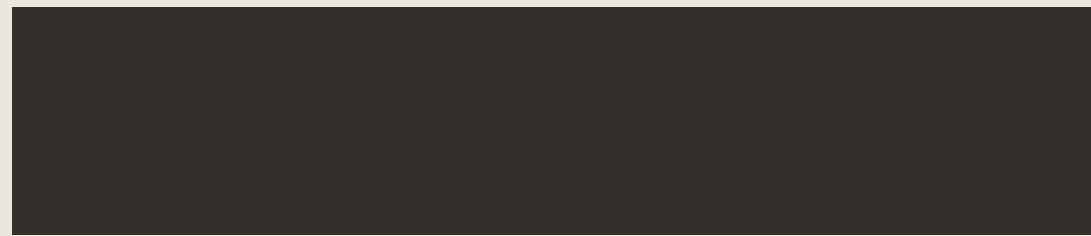
# SUMMARY AND FUTURE WORK

- We developed a Bayesian pipeline to do oscillation analysis
- We use reconstruction as a data compression tool to map  $\mathbf{R}^{40,000} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{<10}$
- Trained a normalising flow and constructed a simple conditional physics prior that allows us to build a marginal likelihood and connect the flow to the parameters we care about ( $\theta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{CP}$ )
- Much work still needs to be done before any serious analysis can be attempted but the scaffolding is in place and results are already very promising
  - Primary want to incorporate as much physics as possible ( $\nu_{\mu}$  survival, interaction modes, beam contaminants, etc)
  - Including systematics will be critical and discussion is ongoing about the best way to do this (merging with existing tools, creating something bespoke)

Would love to hear your thoughts or suggestions for improvements!

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# APPENDIX



# INCLUDING SYSTEMATICS

- Have not fully implemented yet, but look to do so in the near future
- Some systematics can be marginalised over
- Depending on the systematic, this can either be:
  - Forward simulated - the nuisance parameter is baked simulation and marginalisation happens by pooling the simulated data together before training flow
  - Those that aren't easily forward simulated can still be marginalised over normally
- **Should not be handwaved away. This will be mission critical** but does not effect the efficacy of the method itself
- Systematics can broadly divided into three categories:

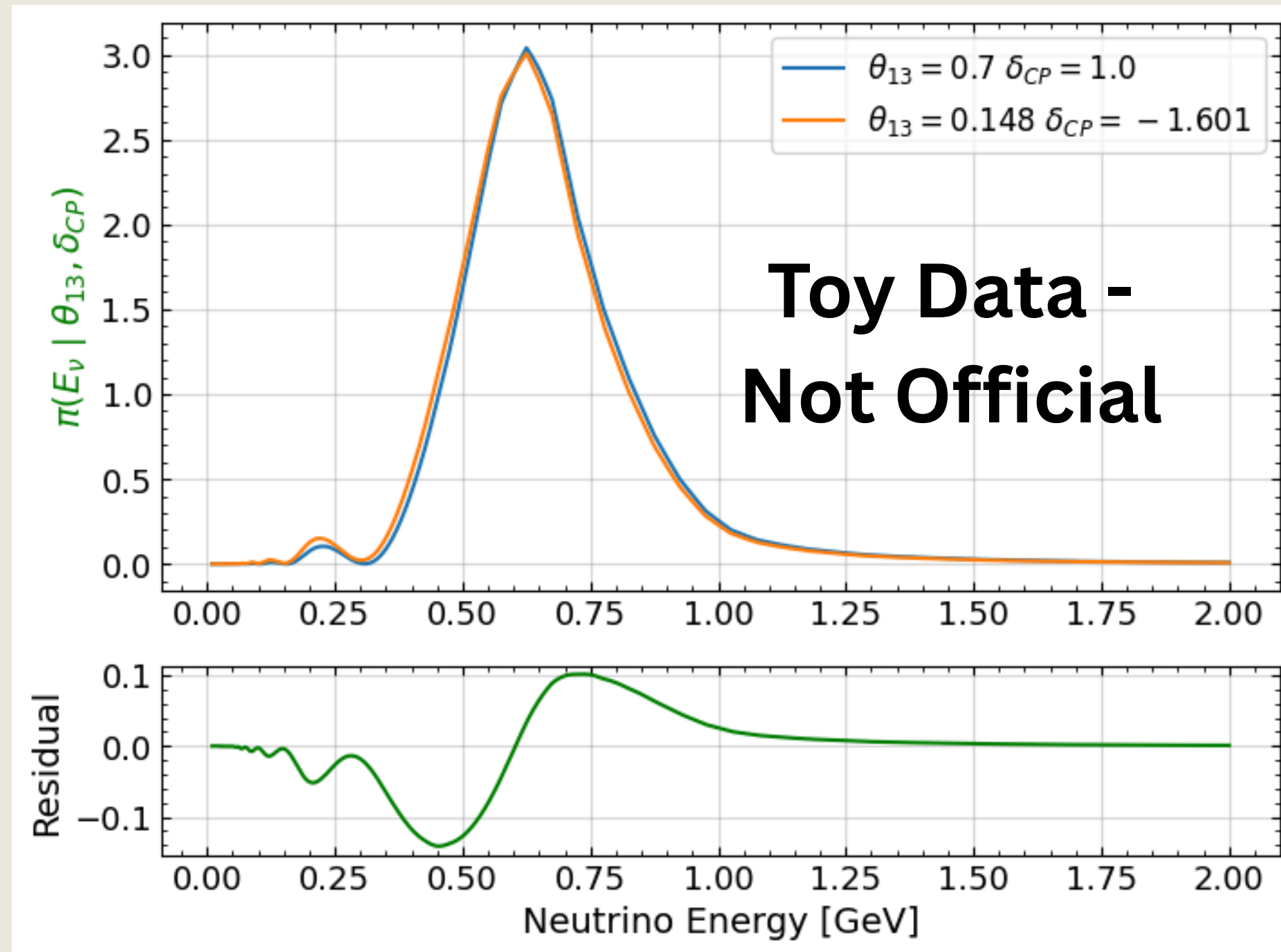
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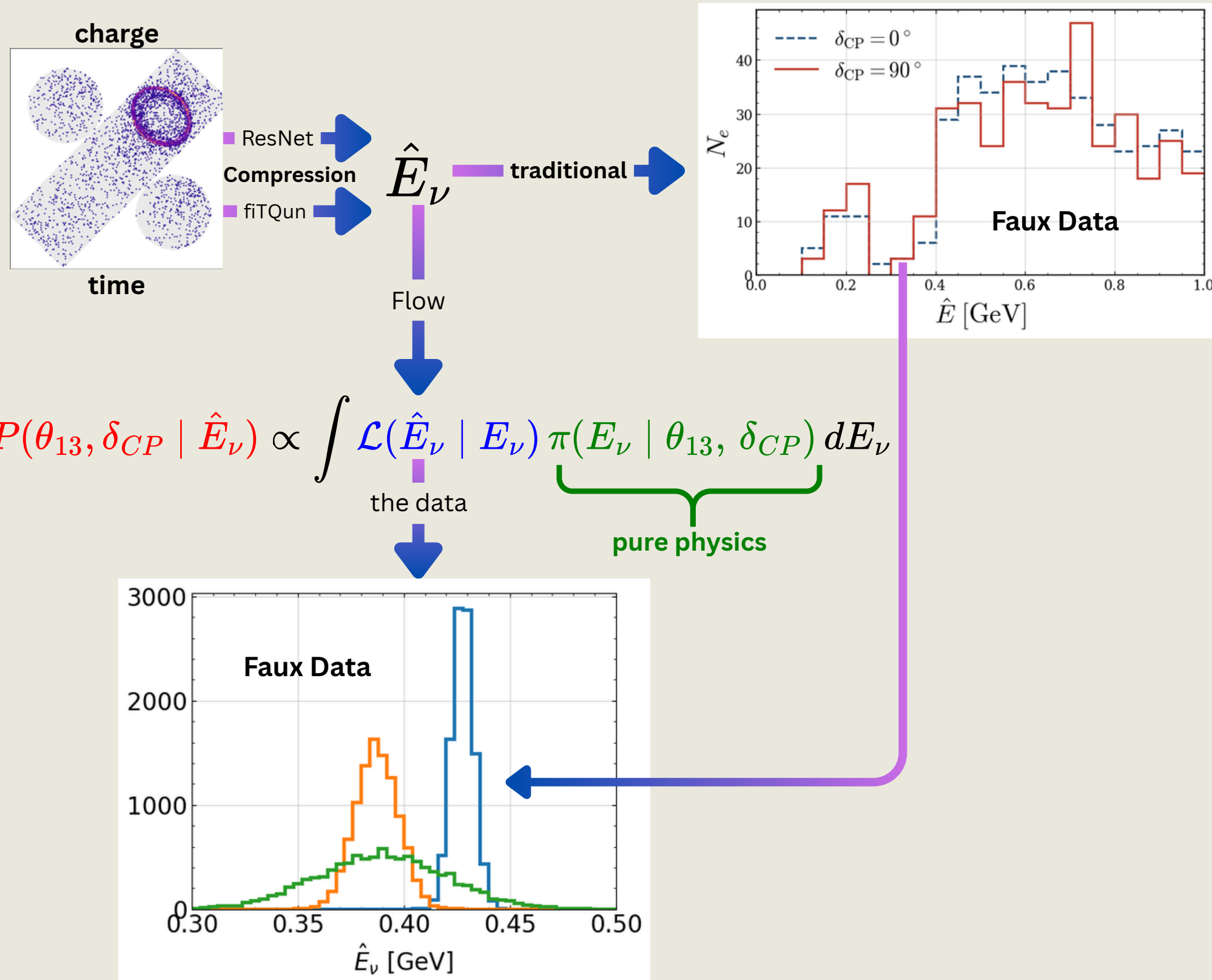
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# SMALL DIFFERENCES

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# COMPARED TO BINNING



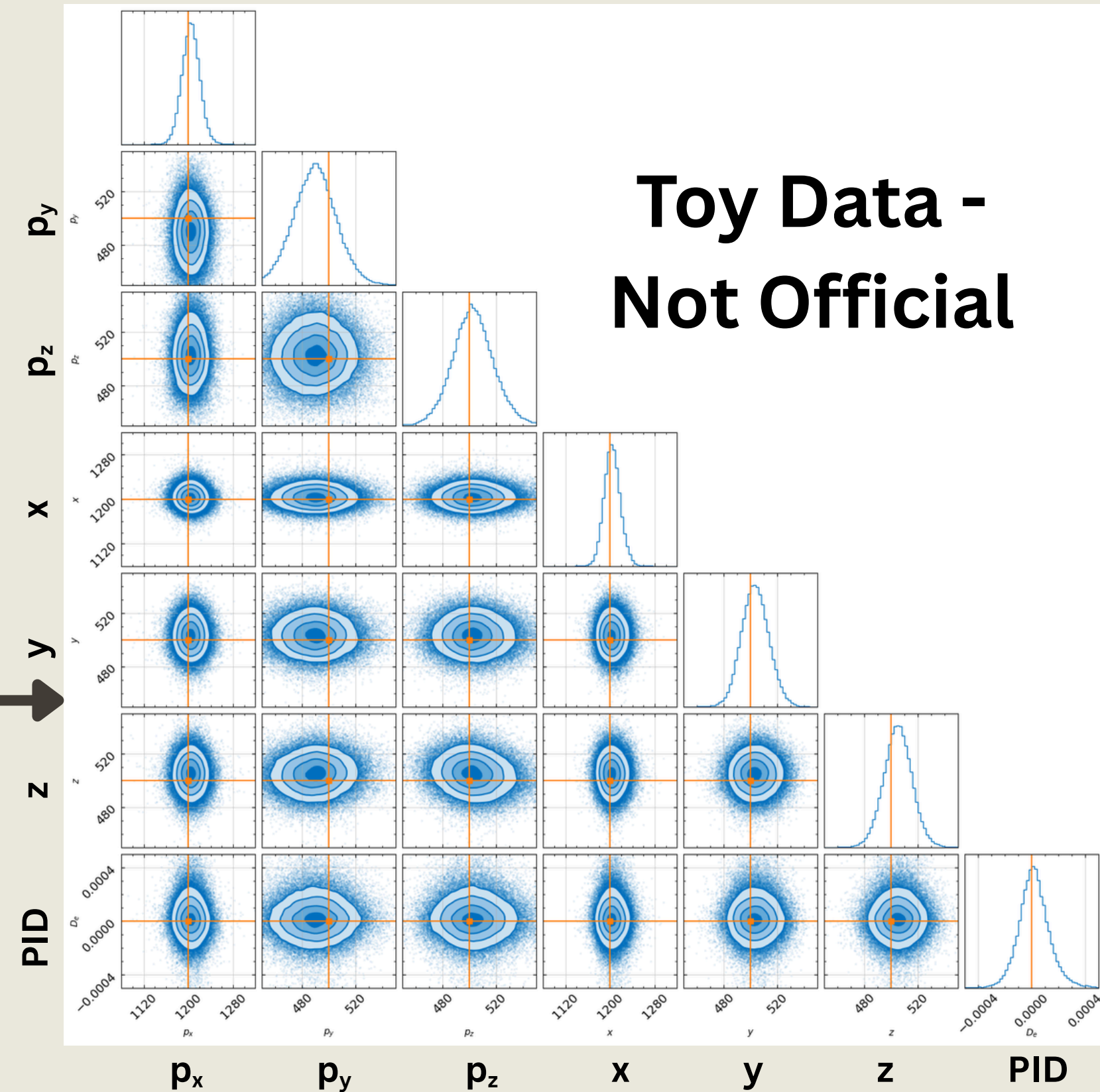
$$\sum_i^{N_{\text{bins}}} \mathcal{L}(N_{\text{obs}}^i | N_{\text{exp}}^i) \pi(N_{\text{exp}}^i | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) ?$$

# EXPANDING THE LIKELIHOOD.

- With a flow we can include all the information of event without facing dimensionality issues

$$\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu | E_\nu) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(E_\ell, \theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, x, y, z, PID | E_\nu)$$

- All we have to do is include the information when training the normalising flow. Allows us to simultaneously fit additional data that might hold important information
- For example information about the distance the particle is the to the wall (towall)
- Testing different datasets that have the best results
- Others we've tried are:
  - $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu, \text{towall} | E_\nu)$
  - $\mathcal{L}(E_\ell, \theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, x, y, z | E_\nu)$
  - $\mathcal{L}(E_\ell, \theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, x, y, z, PID | E_\nu)$
  - $\mathcal{L}(p_{lx}, p_{ly}, p_{lz}, x, y, z, PID | E_\nu)$
- Found that  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{E}_\nu, \text{towall} | E_\nu)$  worked well for particles close to the detector wall and was nice and interpretable



# GETTING $N_{\text{OBS}}$ AND $N_{\text{EXP}}$

$$\underbrace{P(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP} | \{E_\ell^i\})}_{\text{Posterior}} \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \int \underbrace{\mathcal{L}(E_\ell^i | E_\nu)}_{\text{Detector Model (flow)}} \underbrace{\pi(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP})}_{\text{Oscillation + Flux + cross section physics}} dE_\nu$$

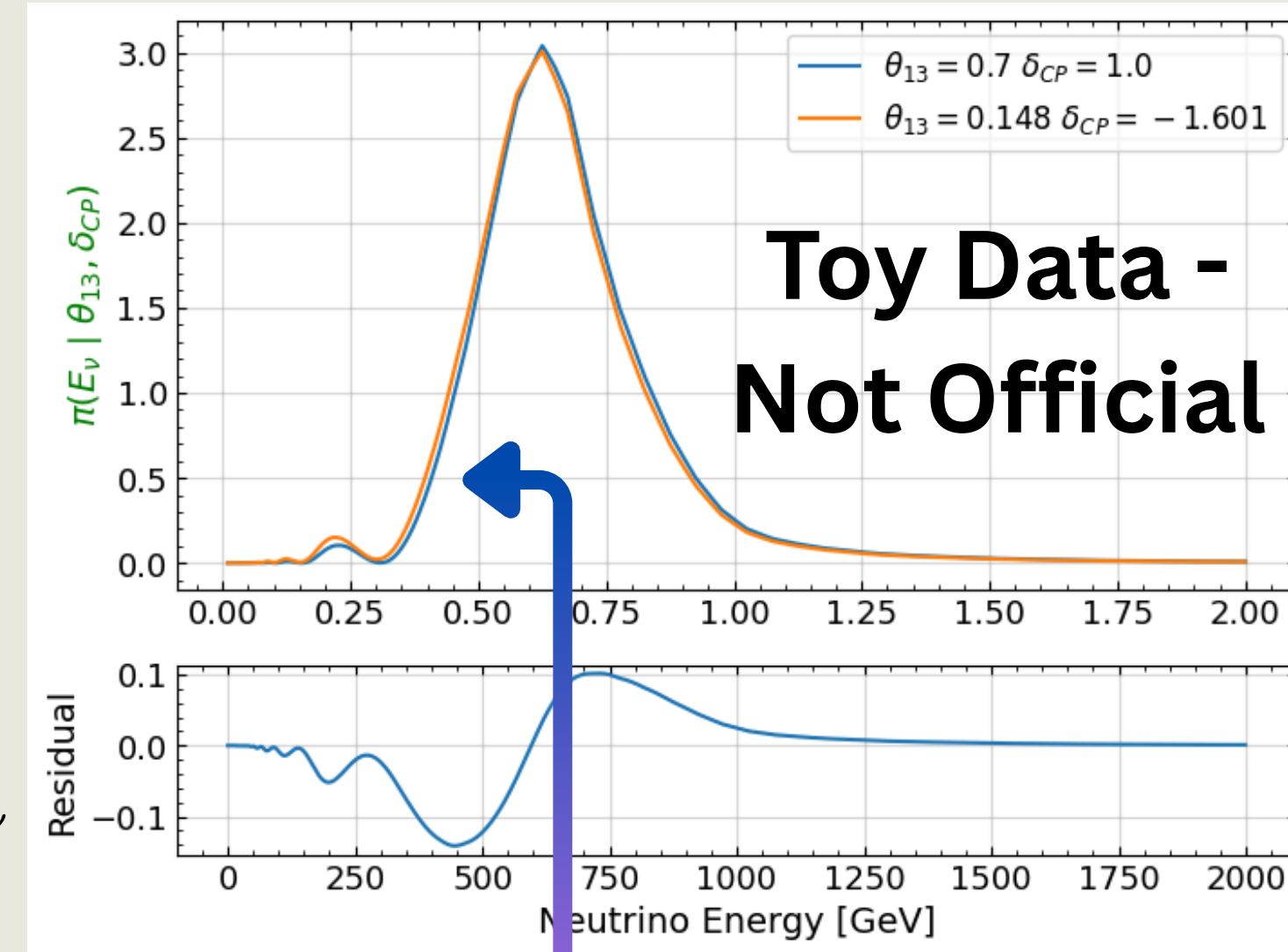
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- Where:

$$N_{\text{exp}}(\theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) = \text{POT} \int P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e}(E_\nu | \theta_{13}, \delta_{CP}) \times \phi(E_\nu) \times \epsilon(E_\nu) \times \sigma(E_\nu) \times N_{\text{targets}} dE_\nu$$

- Also added some Poisson noise to  $N_{\text{exp}}$  and  $N_{\text{obs}}$



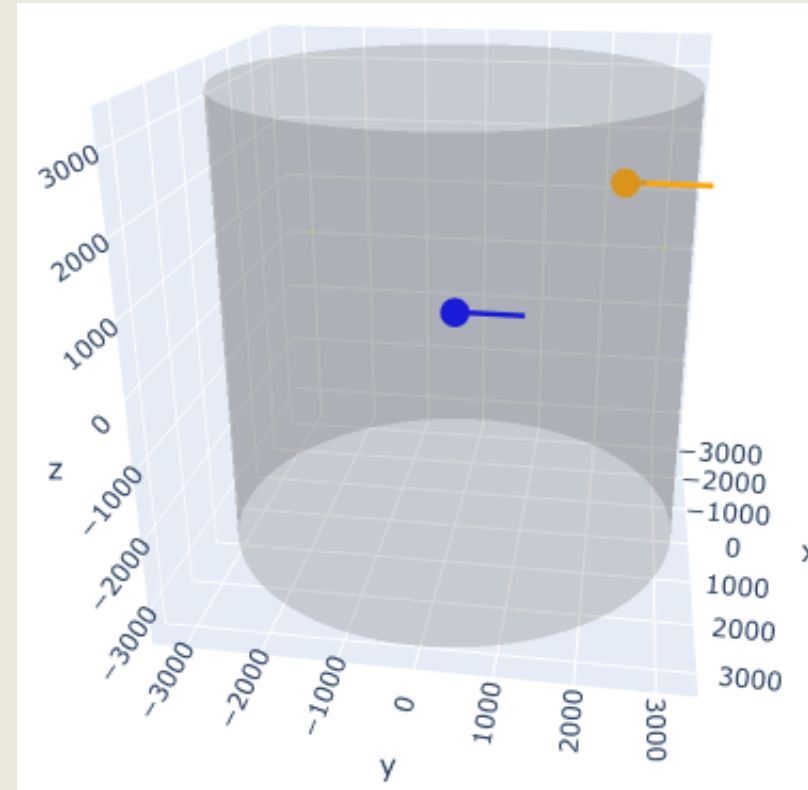
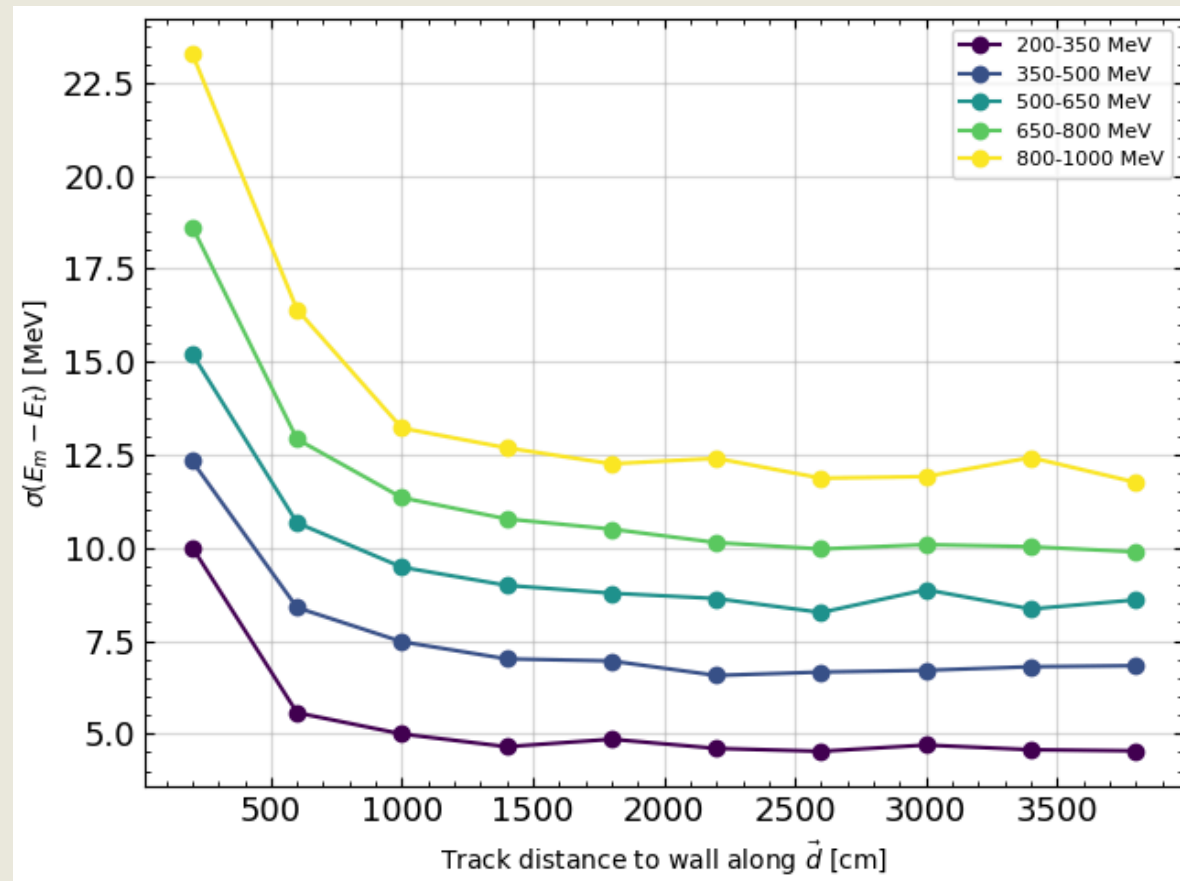
# DEFINING $E_\nu$

- ResNet reconstructs  $\hat{E}_\ell$  and  $\hat{\theta}_\ell$  that tries to predict  $E_\ell$  and  $\theta_\ell$
- We use CCQE approximation for  $E_\nu$  and  $\hat{E}_\nu$

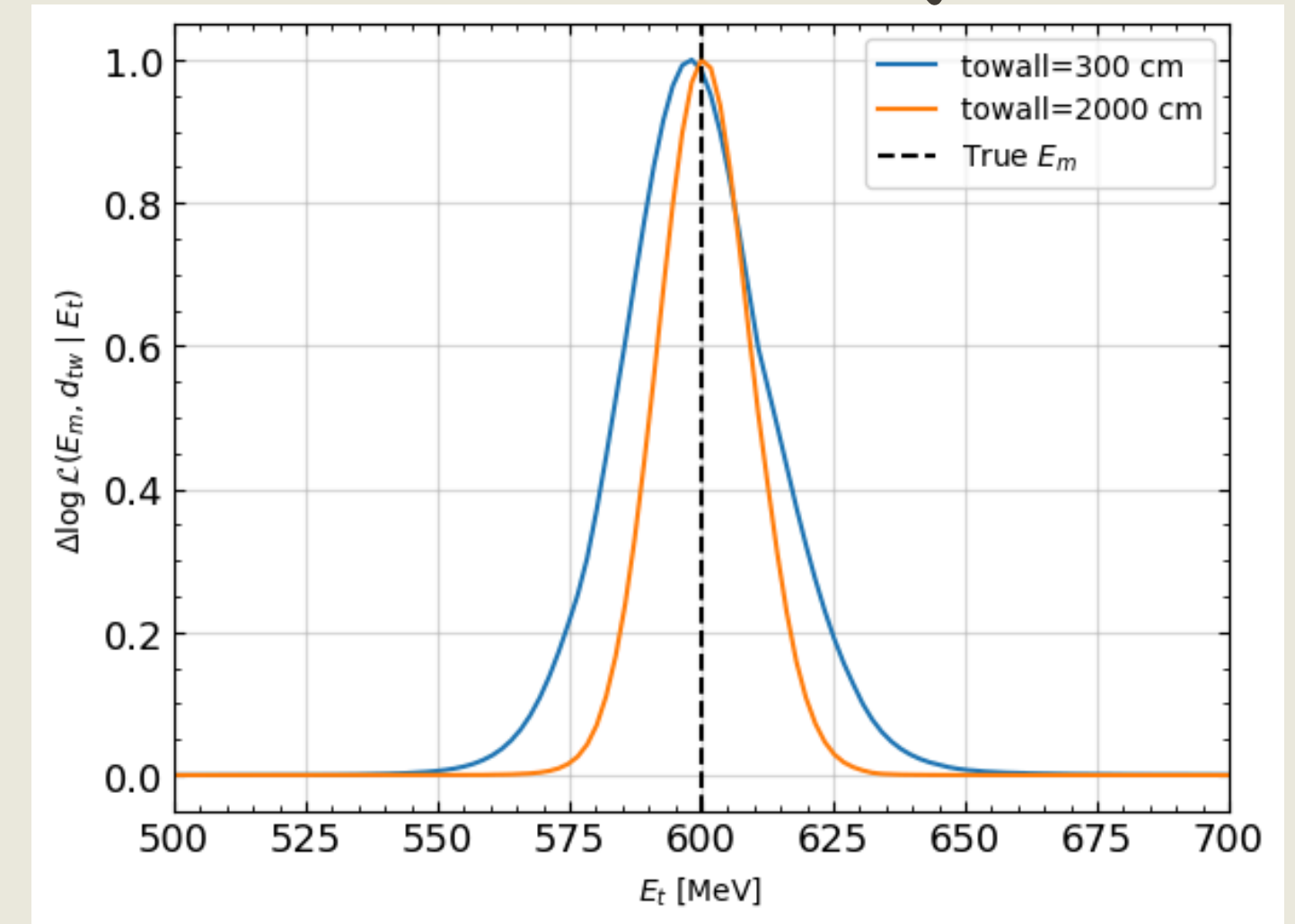
$$E_\nu = \frac{2(m_n - V)E_\ell + m_p^2 - (m_n - V)^2 - m_\ell^2}{2(m_n - V - E_\ell + p_\ell \cos \theta_\ell)} \quad \hat{E}_\nu^{rec} = \frac{2(m_n - V)\hat{E}_\ell + m_p^2 - (m_n - V)^2 - m_\ell^2}{2(m_n - V - \hat{E}_\ell + \hat{p}_\ell \cos \hat{\theta}_\ell)}$$

- We can and want to use NEUT to generate CCQE only events
- Could get  $E_\nu$  from NEUT and calculate  $\hat{E}_\nu$  from  $\hat{E}_\ell$  and  $\hat{\theta}_\ell$  using above approximation
  - The flow would have to be updated to include more systematics around neutrino interactions
  - Will be done with further development

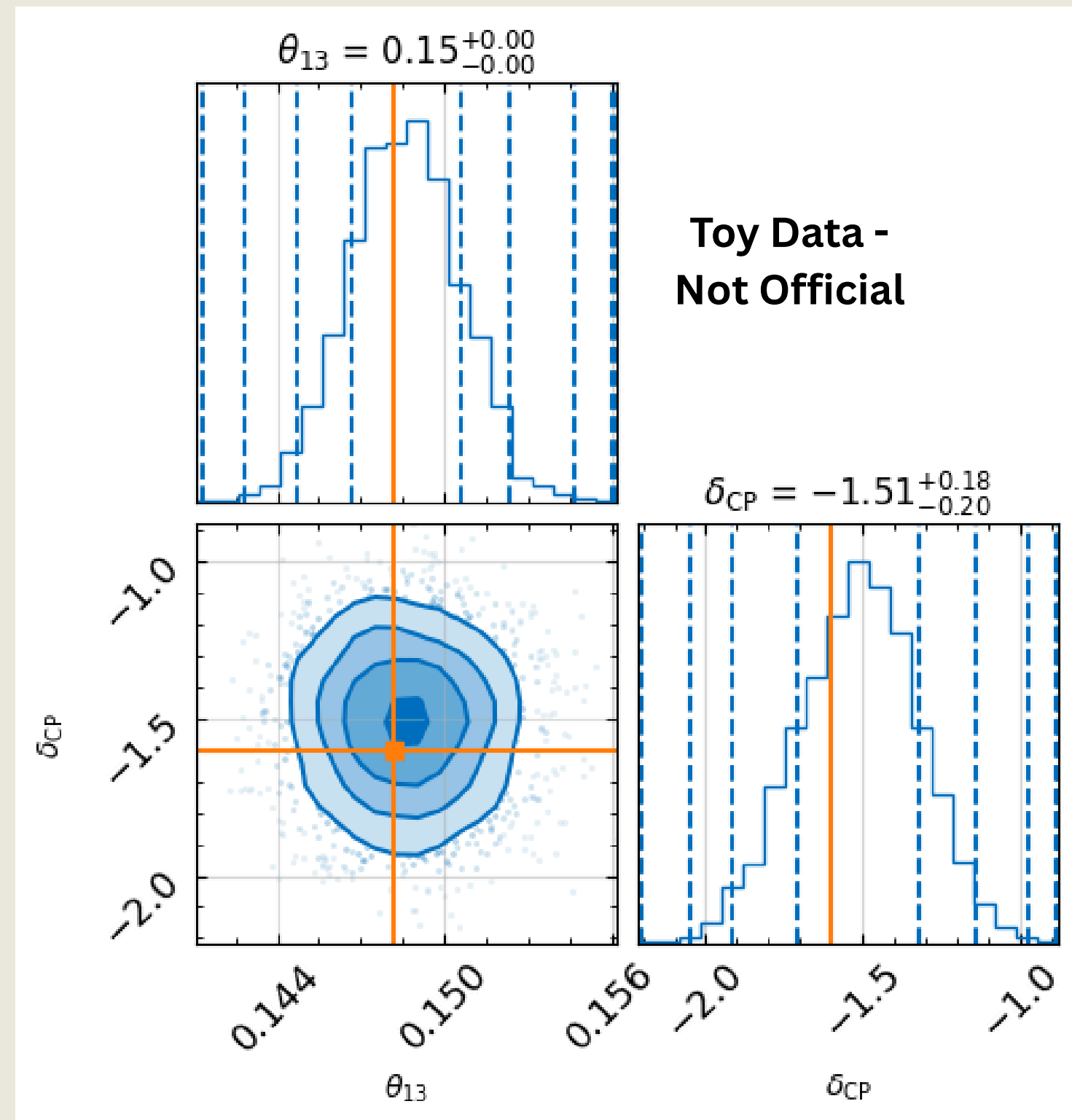
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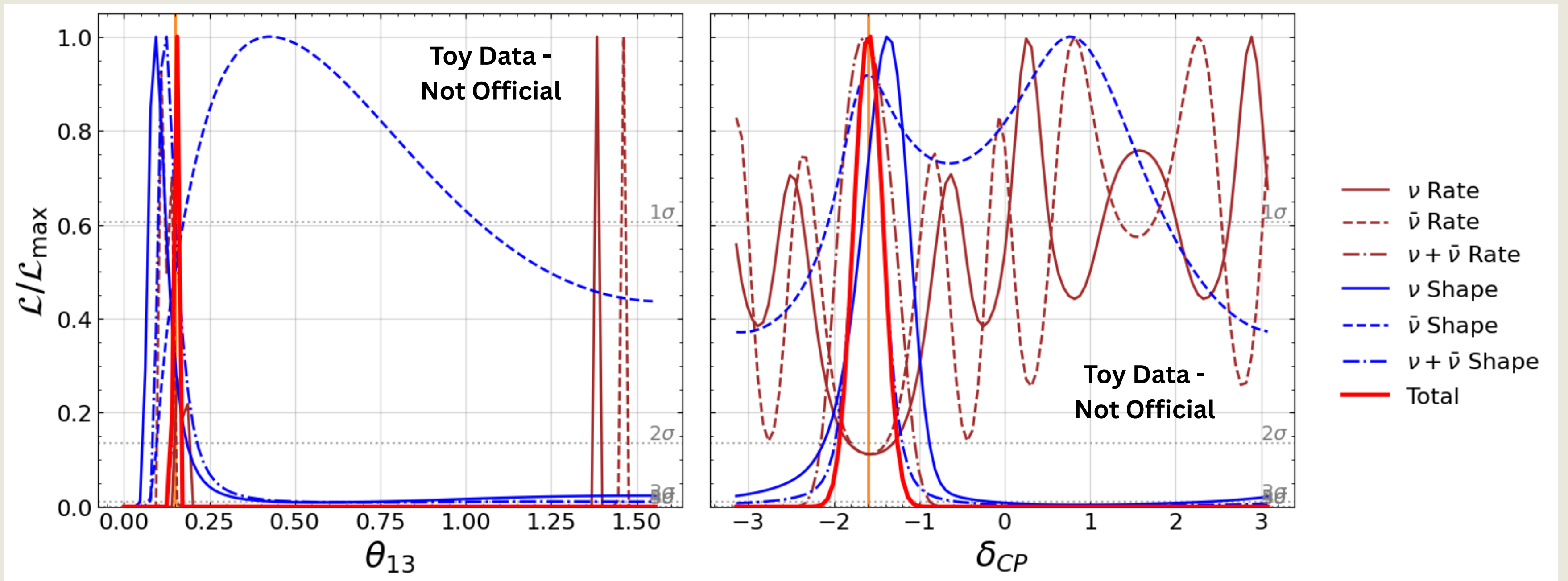
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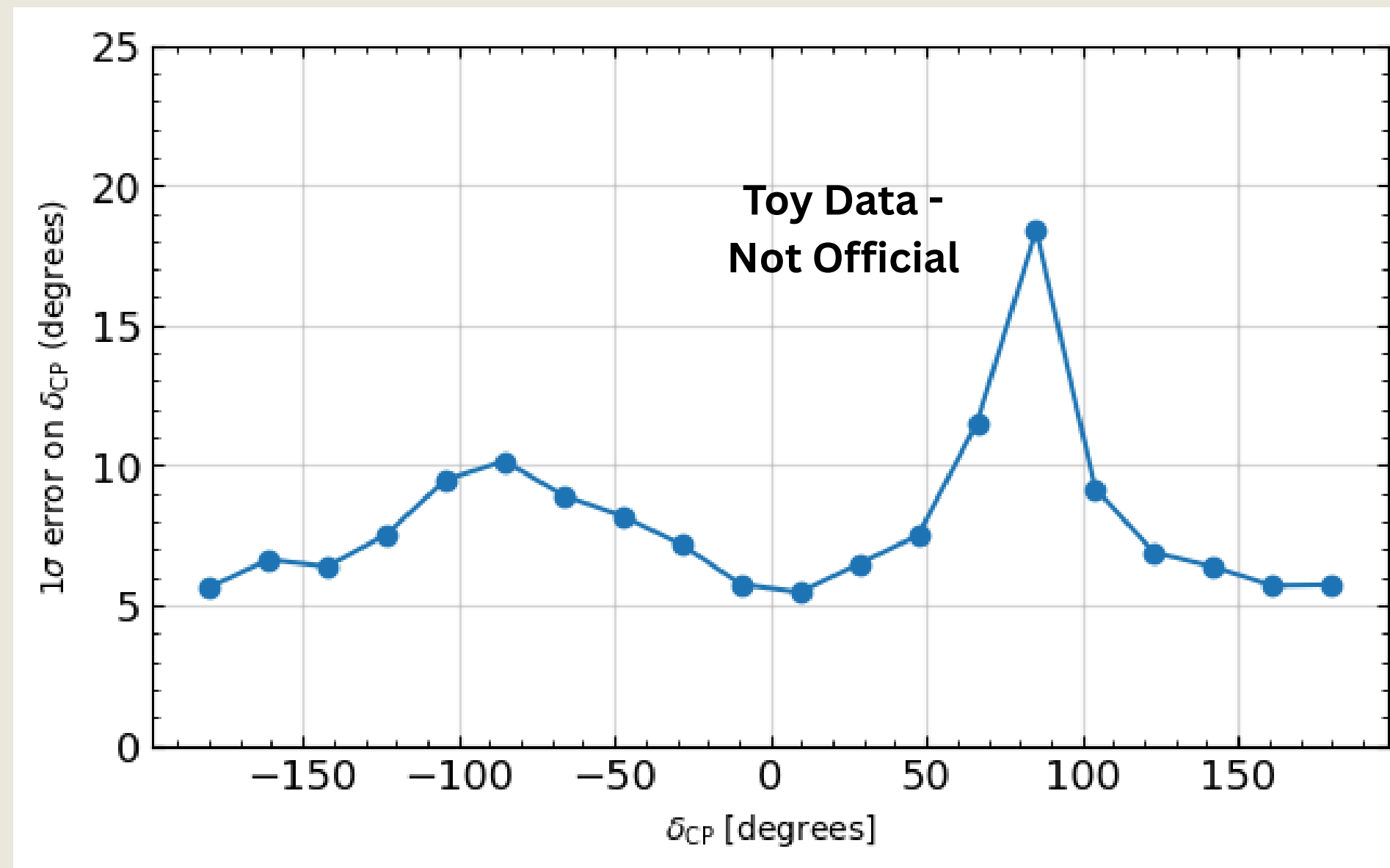
# 5-SIGMA CLAIM



# COMPONENTS LINEAR VIEW

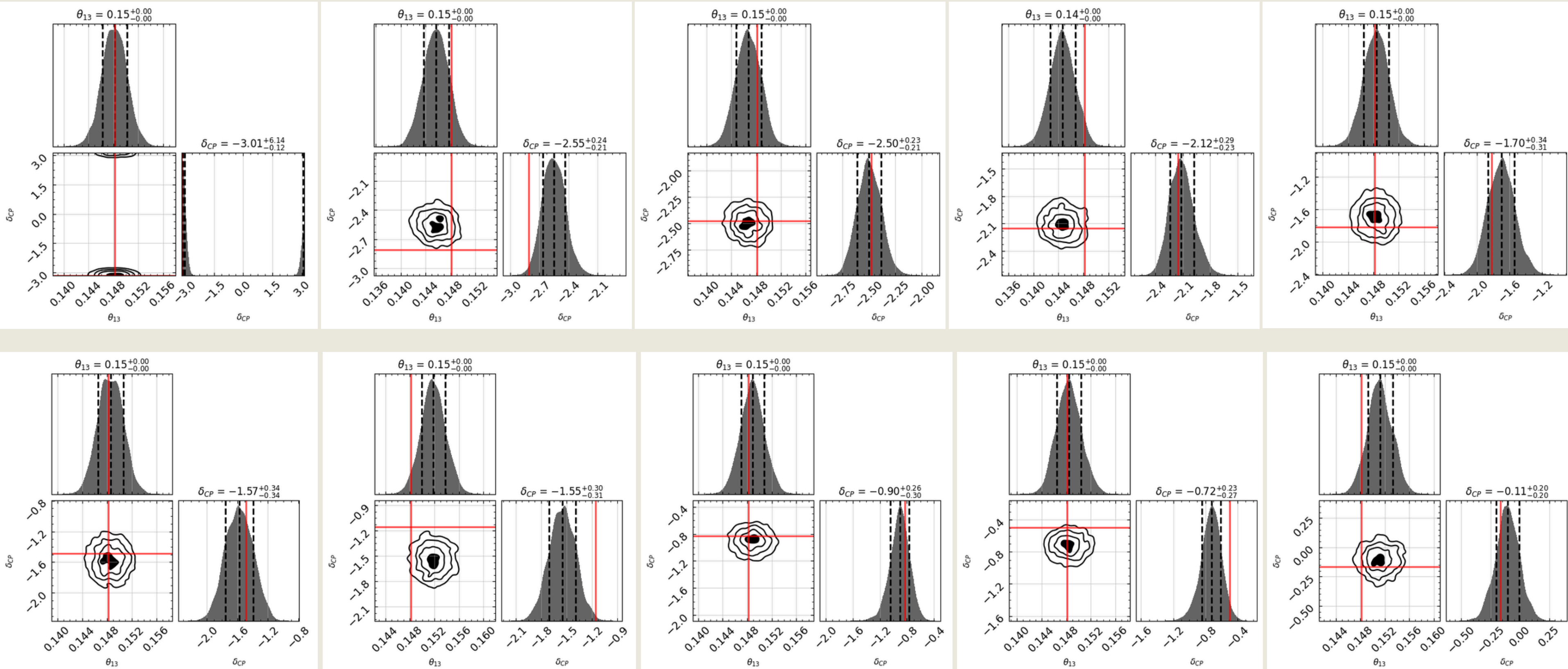


# “SENSITIVITY”



- **Not an actual sensitivity analysis. Take this with a heavy grain of salt**
- Only one posterior per point so expect some large fluctuations (eg ~60 and 80 degrees) where sampler struggled to converge for example
- Regardless, the shape we expect to see is there so that's encouraging.

# CORNER PLOTS



# CORNER PLOTS

