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Designing a tagged neutrino beam at the U-70 accelerator complex

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# P2O: Protvino to ORCA



Vacuum oscillation maximum at  $E \approx 5 \text{ GeV}$ 

Objective: produce a neutrino beam with an energy peak at about 5 GeV



Proton radiography

**Current operation:** 

- Protons up to 70 GeV (60 GeV)
- 10<sup>13</sup> protons/cycle
- 5 µs spill every 9 s

Upgradable up to 90 – 450 kW





Configuration of the optical system and collimator parameters were chosen based on the requirements of the neutrino spectrum



Q1-Q3 quadrupoles 2m long, aperture: Ø200 mm

Zero-dispersion magnetic system



M1-M4 bending magnets 2m long, H x V = 1200 x 200 mm

#### **Collimators**



C1 (3 x Ø200 mm), C2 200 x 200 mm<sup>2</sup> aperture



#### Spatial distributions of pions at the beginning of the decay tube



 $\theta_{\pi} \approx \sqrt{x^{\prime 2} + y^{\prime 2}} \qquad \sigma[\theta_{\pi}] \cong 3.9 \, mrad$ 

#### The spectrum of pions at the beginning of the decay tube



**Relativistic case** 

## Neutrino radial distribution at the far detector



$$E = \frac{E^*}{\gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta)}$$

Generating the uniform distribution of  $\cos \theta^*$  in the center-of-mass within the limits corresponding to the capture angles  $\theta_{min}$ ,  $\theta_{max}$  of the detector in the lab frame (same logic for  $\varphi$ )

## Neutrino spectrum at the far detector



E, GeV

9

8

We assume that all neutrinos always fall in the center of the detector, which allows us to clearly determine their energies

$$E = \frac{E^*}{\gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta_{\pi\nu})}$$

 $Events_{\nu} \sim \Phi_{\nu}, E_{\nu} \text{ and } m_{det}$ 

# Summary

- The conceptual design of the beamline is presented
- Fast calculation algorithm was applied to adjust and optimize the channel
- The optics of the beamline are designed to produce pi mesons in the pulse range of 8-14 GeV/c, which provides the required range of neutrino energies corresponding to the first oscillation maximum