

A Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment to DUSEL

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Neutrino Mixing

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu1} & U_{\mu2} & U_{\mu3} \\ U_{\tau1} & U_{\tau2} & U_{\tau3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

– U : 3 angles, 1 CP-phase + (2 Majorana phases)

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{21} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

atmospheric

solar

$$s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \quad c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}$$

We now have numbers to put in!

$$\theta_{12} = 30^\circ$$

$$\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.5 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ -0.35-0.6s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0.6-0.35s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0.7 \\ 0.35-0.6s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -0.6-0.35s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

...but δ unknown

$$\theta_{13} < 13^\circ$$

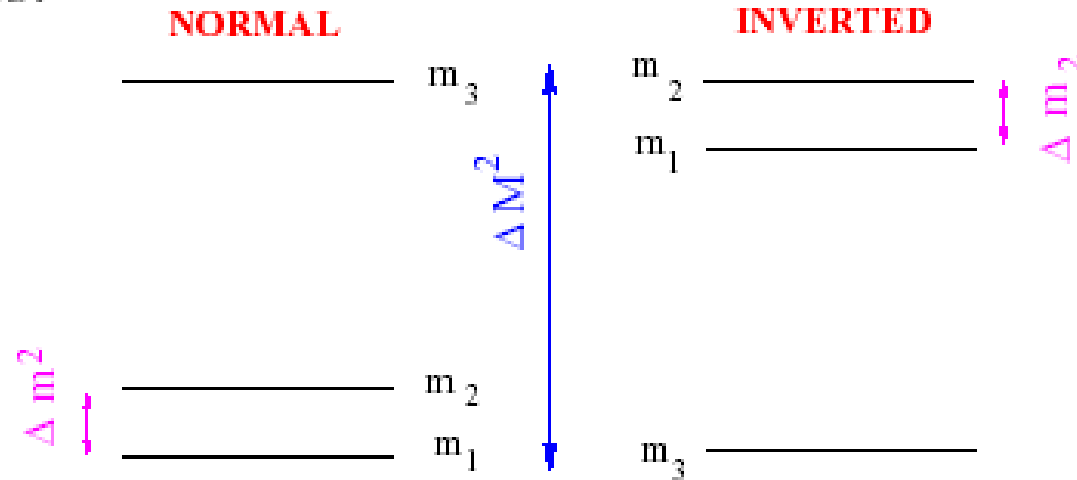
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 & 0.5 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ -0.35 & 0.6 & 0.7 \\ 0.35 & -0.6 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

U_{e3} is 100% sensitive to the mixing angle θ_{13}



but we don't know the mass ordering

– Two schemes:



Do ν 's violate CP? Is θ_{13} non-zero?

Can use an accelerator ν_μ beam,
But there are complications...

ν_e appearance in a ν_μ beam

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = (2c_{13}s_{13}s_{23})^2 \sin^2\Phi_{31}$$

$$+8c_{13}^2s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}(c_{12}c_{23}\cos\delta - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23})\cos\Phi_{32}\sin\Phi_{31}\sin\Phi_{21}$$

$$-8c_{13}^2c_{12}^2c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}\sin\delta \sin\Phi_{32}\sin\Phi_{31}\sin\Phi_{21}$$

↙ CP violating

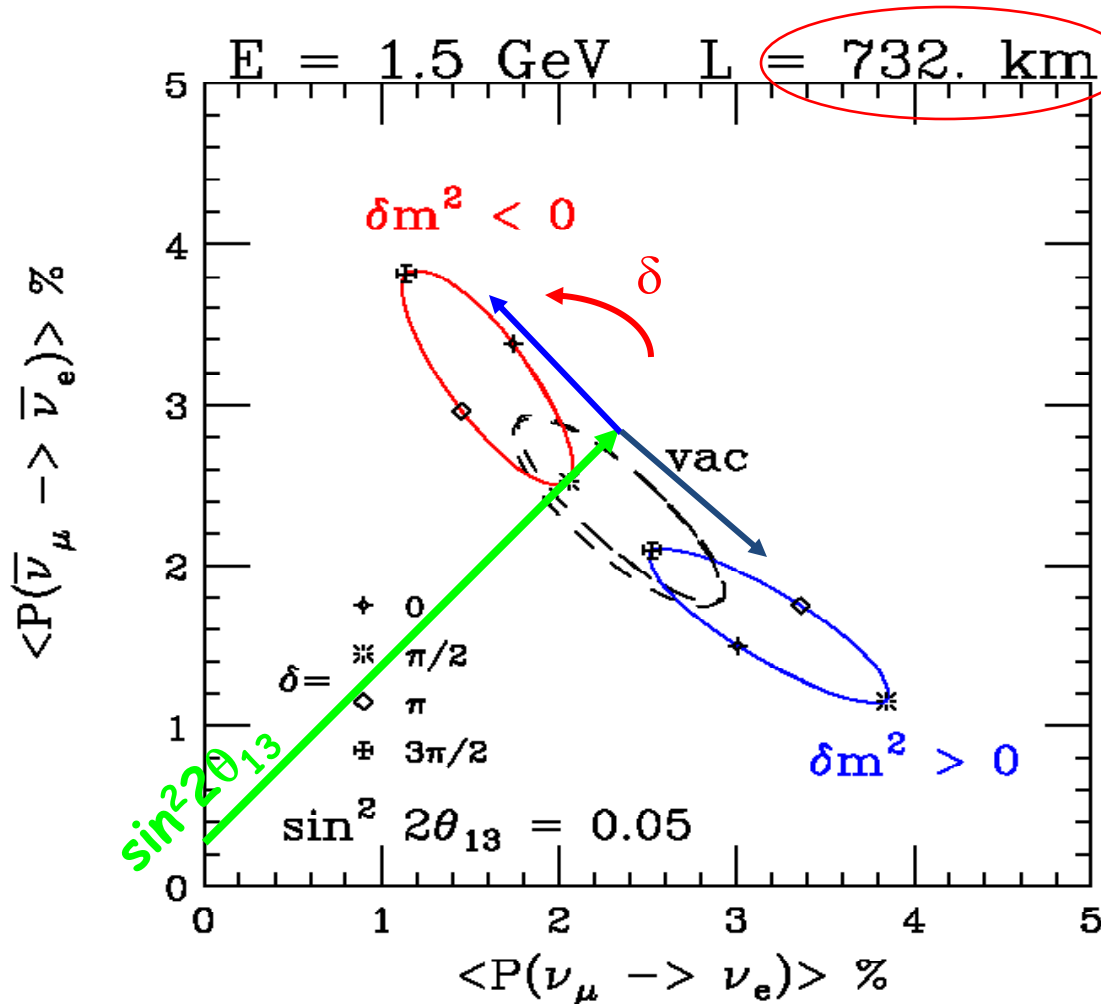
$$+4s_{12}^2c_{13}(c_{12}^2c_{23}^2 + s_{12}^2s_{23}^2s_{13}^2 - 2c_{12}c_{23}s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}\cos\delta)\sin^2\Phi_{21}$$

$$-8c_{13}^2s_{13}^2s_{23}^2(1 - 2s_{13}^2)(aL/4E)\cos\Phi_{32}\sin\Phi_{31}$$

$$a = \text{constant} \times n_e E$$

$$\text{CP: } a \rightarrow -a, \delta \rightarrow -\delta$$

There are *Degeneracy Issues*



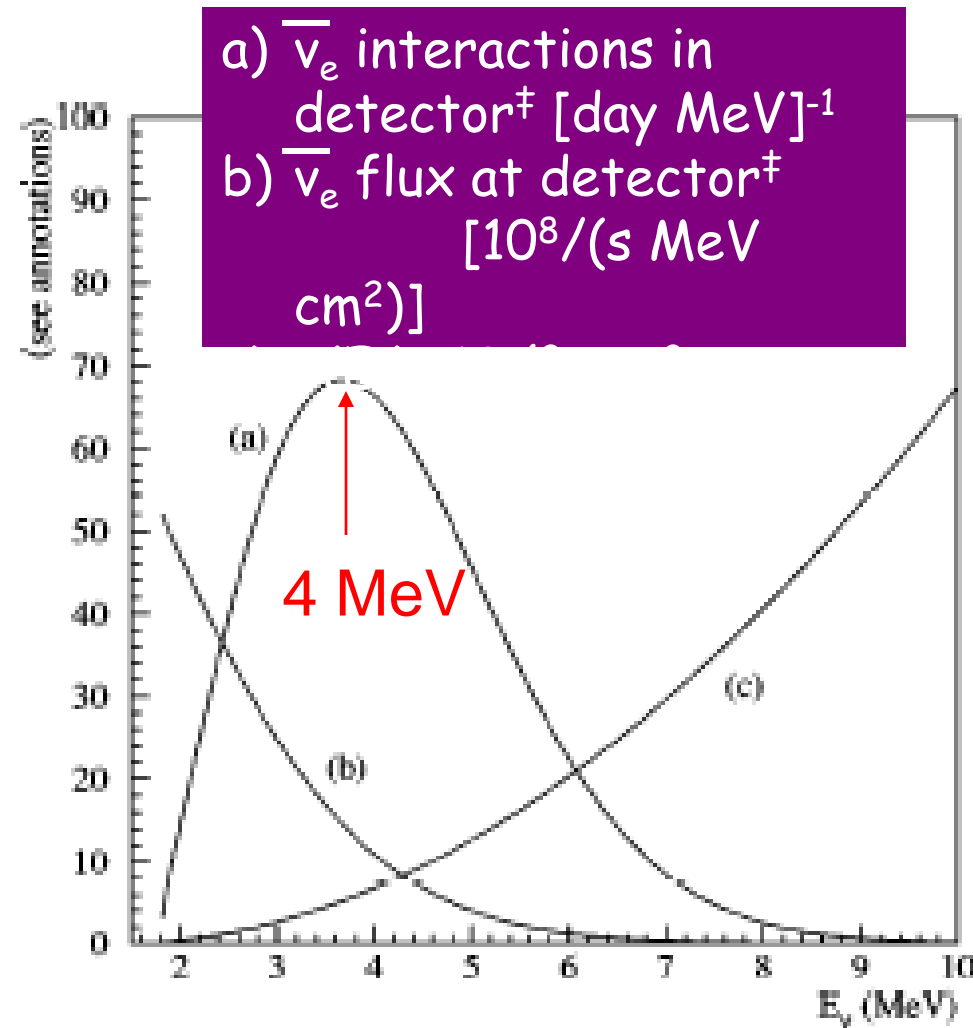
Minakata and Nunokawa,
hep-ph/0108085

2 Observables:

- $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$
- $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$

Reactor Experiments

- reactors are an intense “free” source of $\bar{\nu}_e$
- low energy means distance need only be one or two km
- free of CP and matter effect uncertainties



Oscillation Probability (with both Δm^2)

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1$$

$$- \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2(\Delta m_{12}^2 L/4E) \quad \Delta m_{12}^2 \text{ dominated}$$

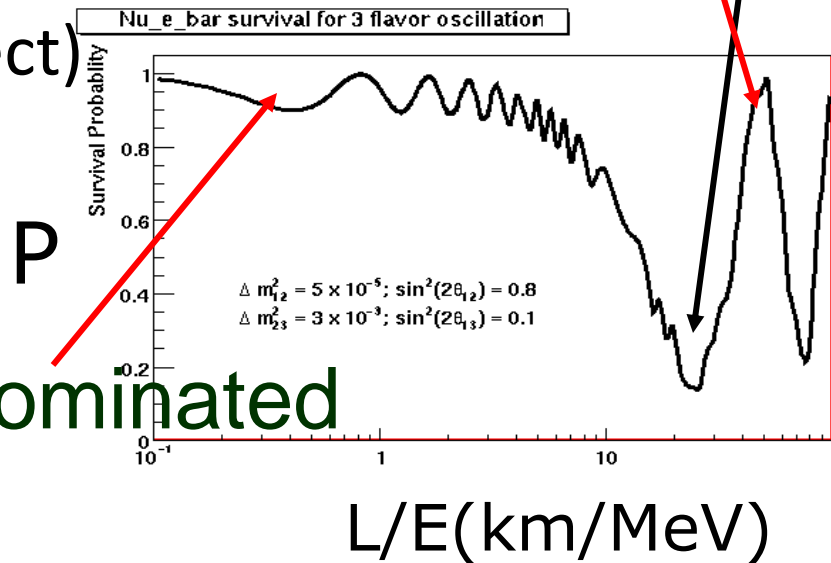
$$- \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 L/4E)$$

(Ignores tiny matter effect)

$$L = pE / (2.54 \Delta m^2)$$

$$\sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ km}$$

Δm_{23}^2 dominated





The Double Chooz Experiment



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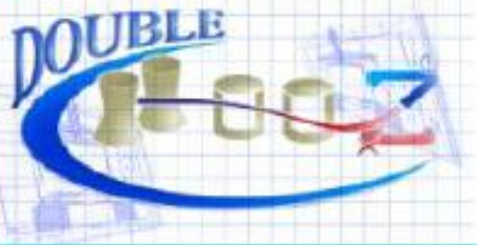
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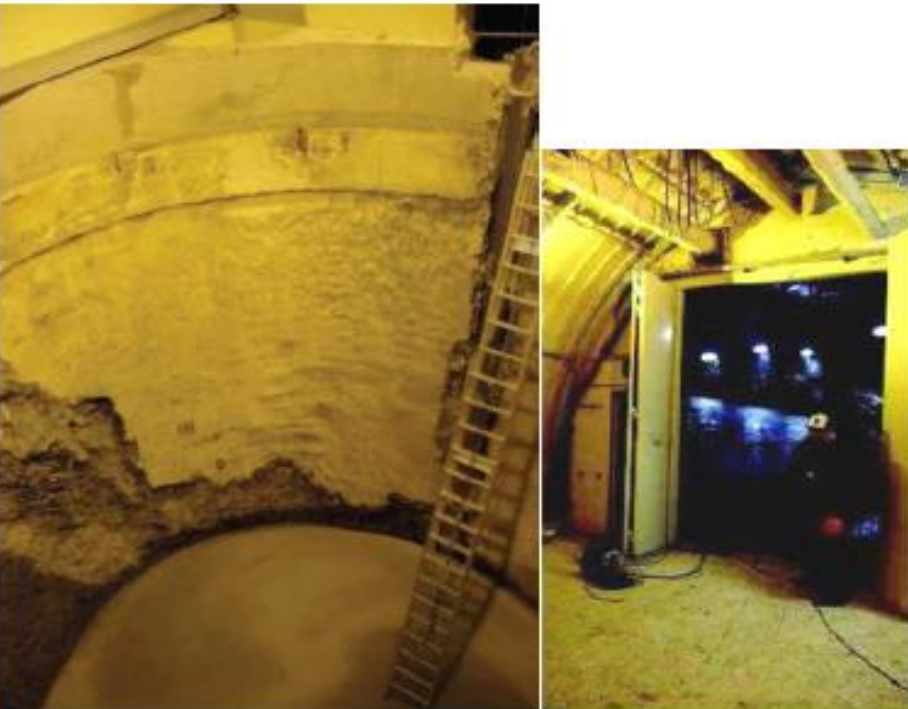
The experimental site





Far detector site status

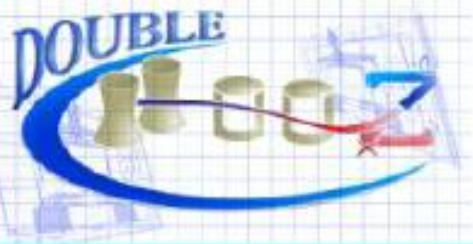
Installation in the Liquid Handling Building has started (6 large storage tanks from TUM)



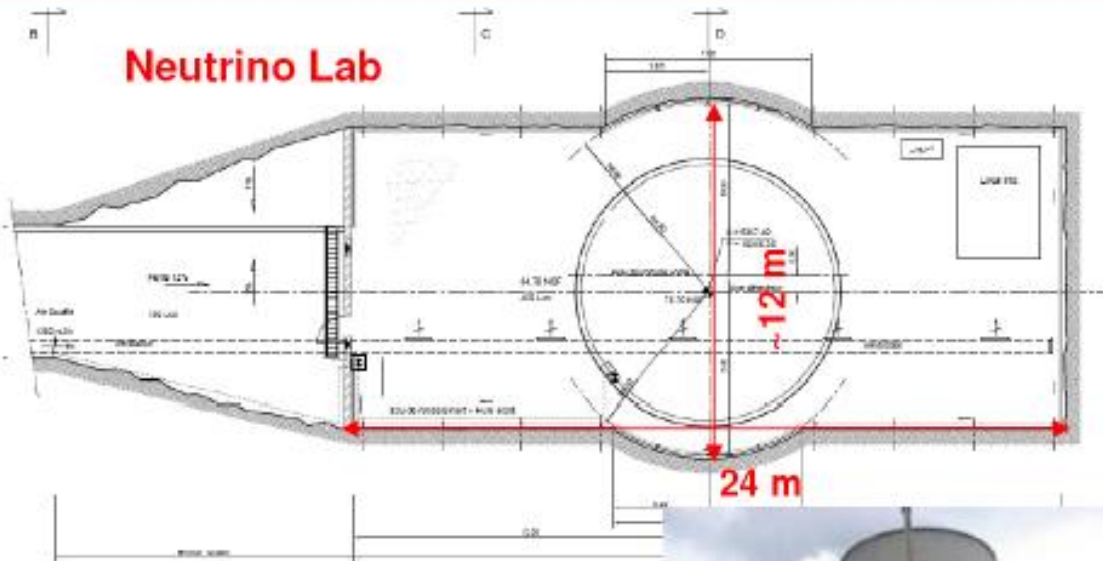
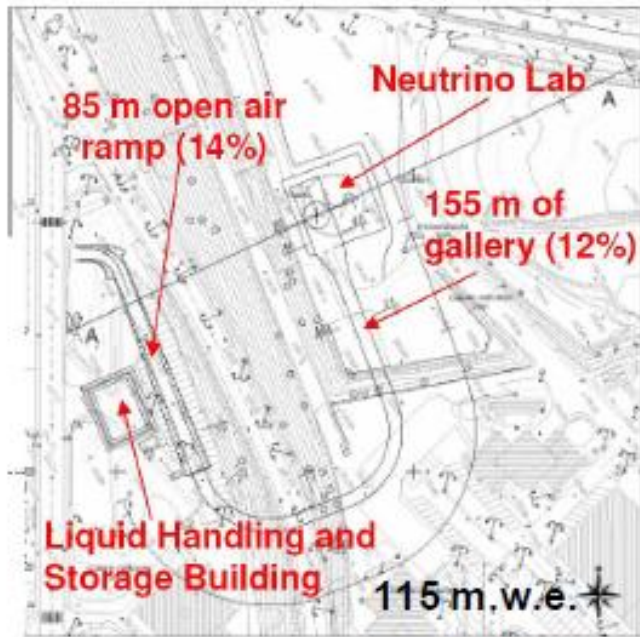
Civil engineering work has been finished (detector pit refurbished, doors enlarged, new ventilation system, safety system).

Shielding steel bars have been mounted in the pit.





Near detector lab

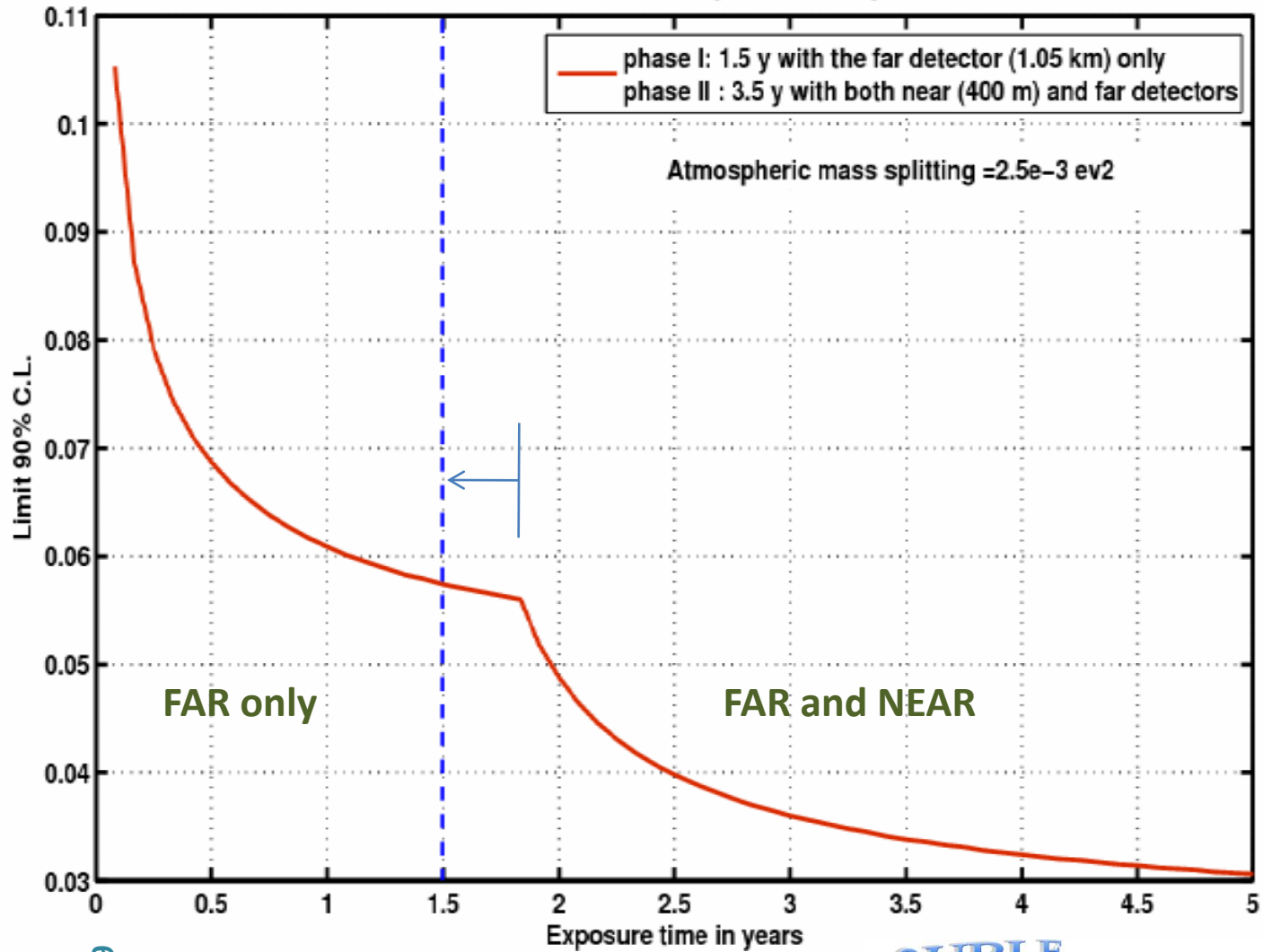


Site has been chosen with >45m overburden, almost flat topology.

Geological site study completed.
Tender process for construction.
Schedule: lab available end of 2009.



Double Chooz : sensitivity limit versus year

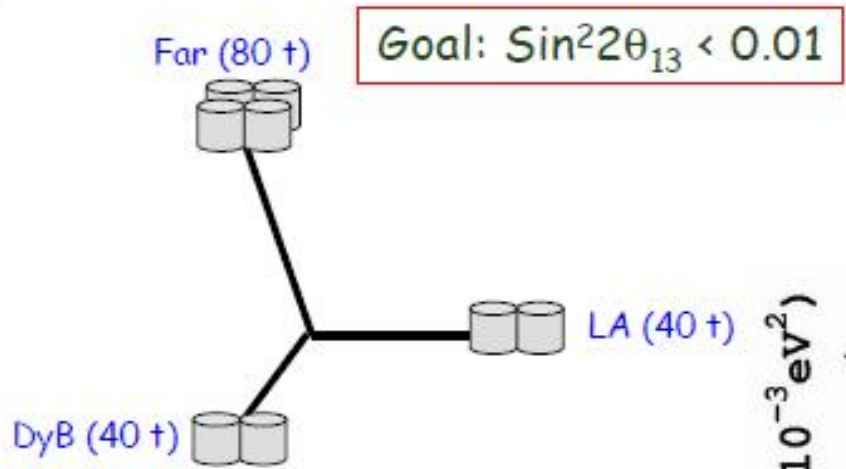


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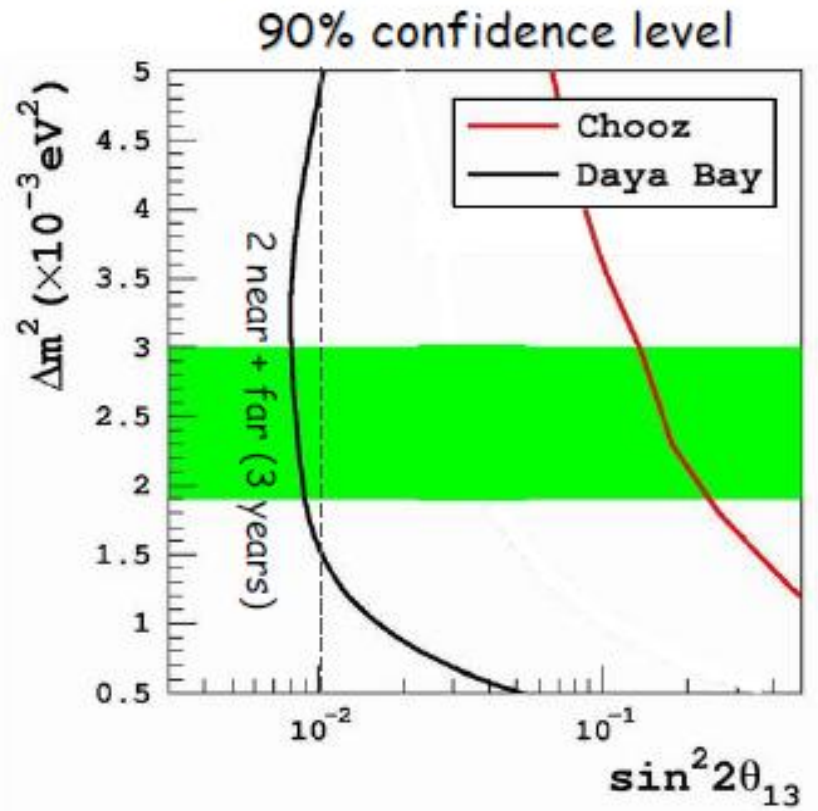
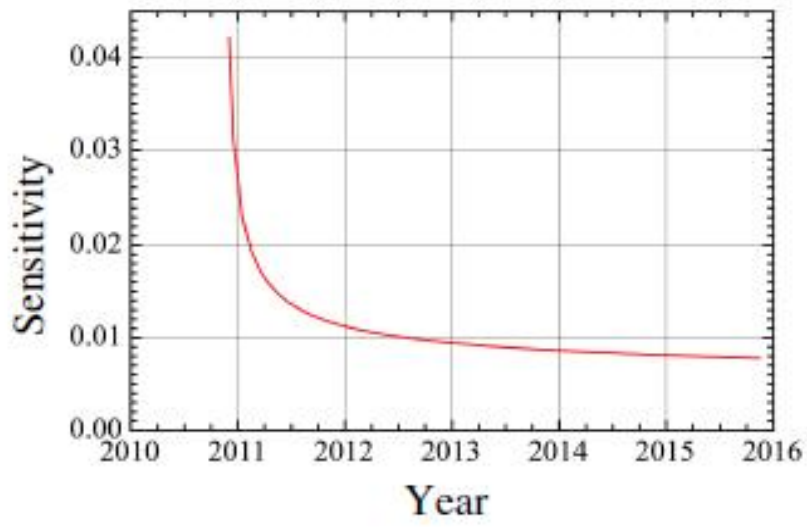
Dec, 2010



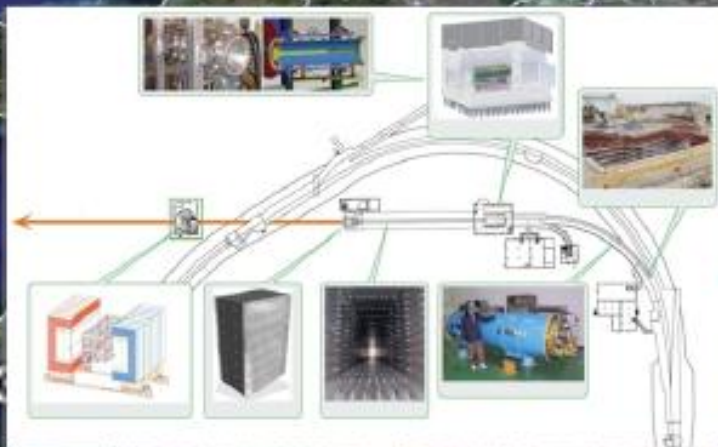
Sensitivity of Daya Bay



- Use rate and spectral shape
- input relative detector syst. error of 0.38%/detector

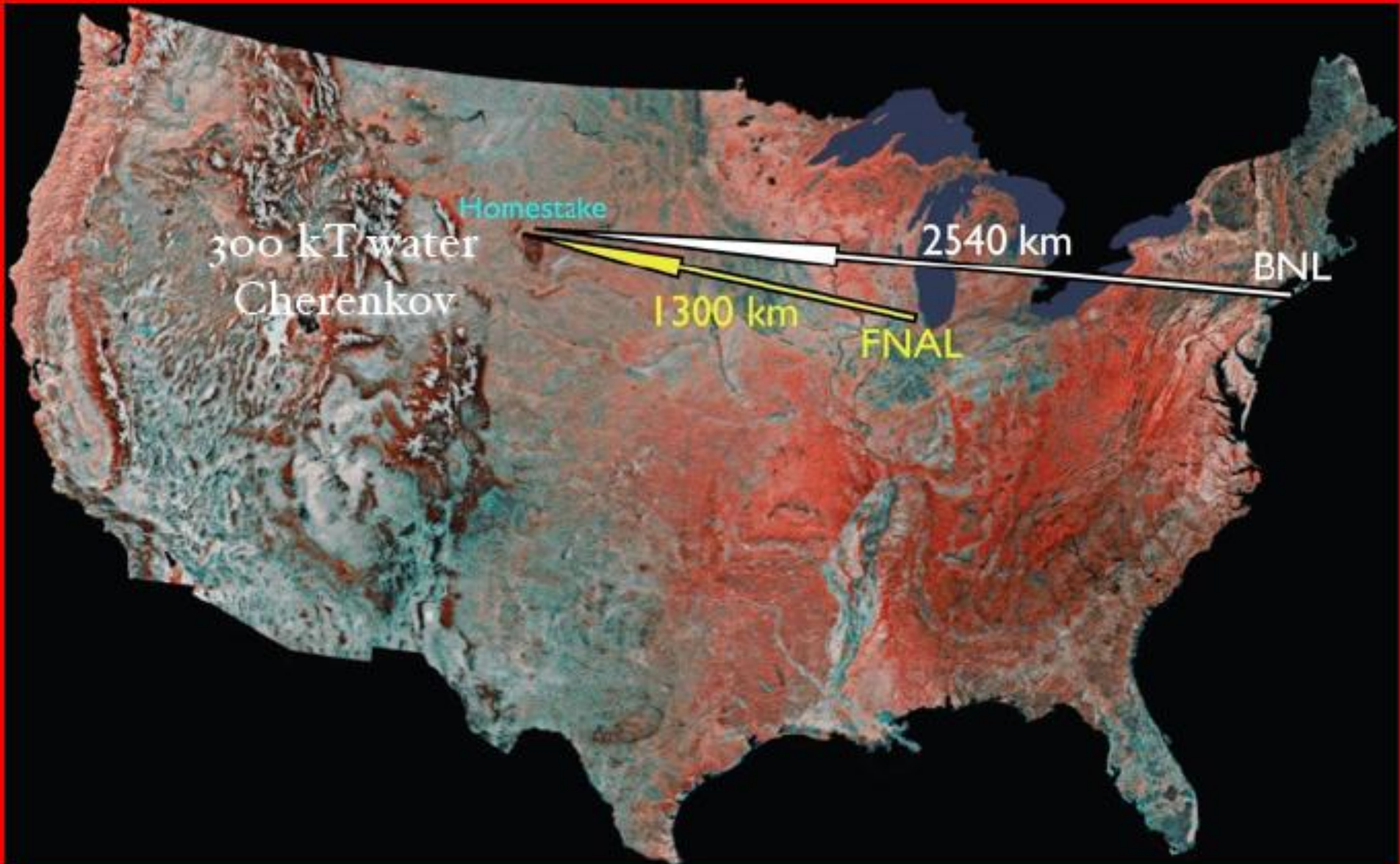


T2K: The 1st Experiment with J-PARC Neutrino Beam



T2K is aiming for the first results in 2010
with $100\text{kw} \times 10^7\text{sec}$ integrated proton power on target
to unveil below CHOOZ limit with ν_e appearance

DUSEL LONG BASELINE EXPERIMENT

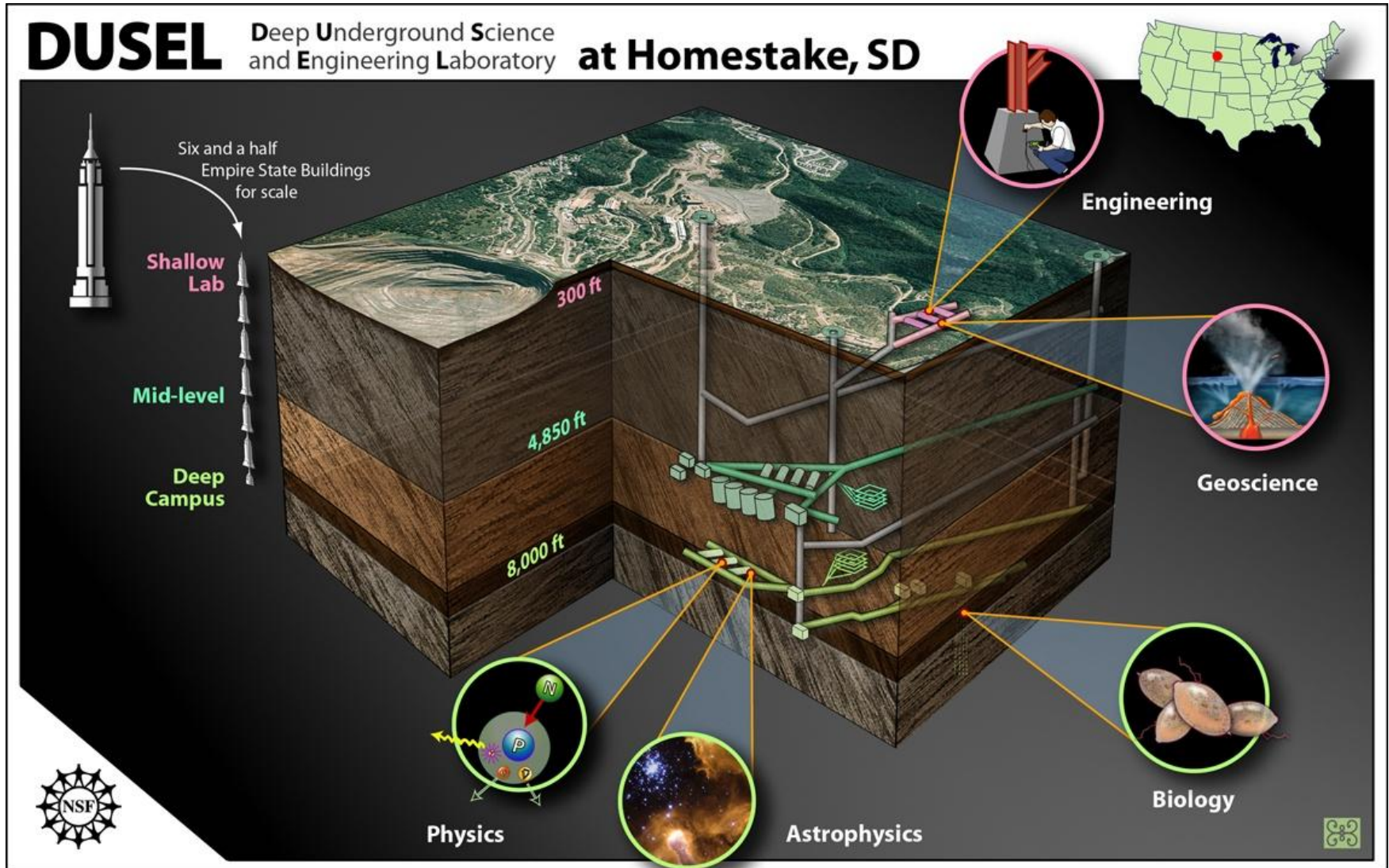


DUSEL Experiment Development and Coordination (DEDC)

Internal Design Review

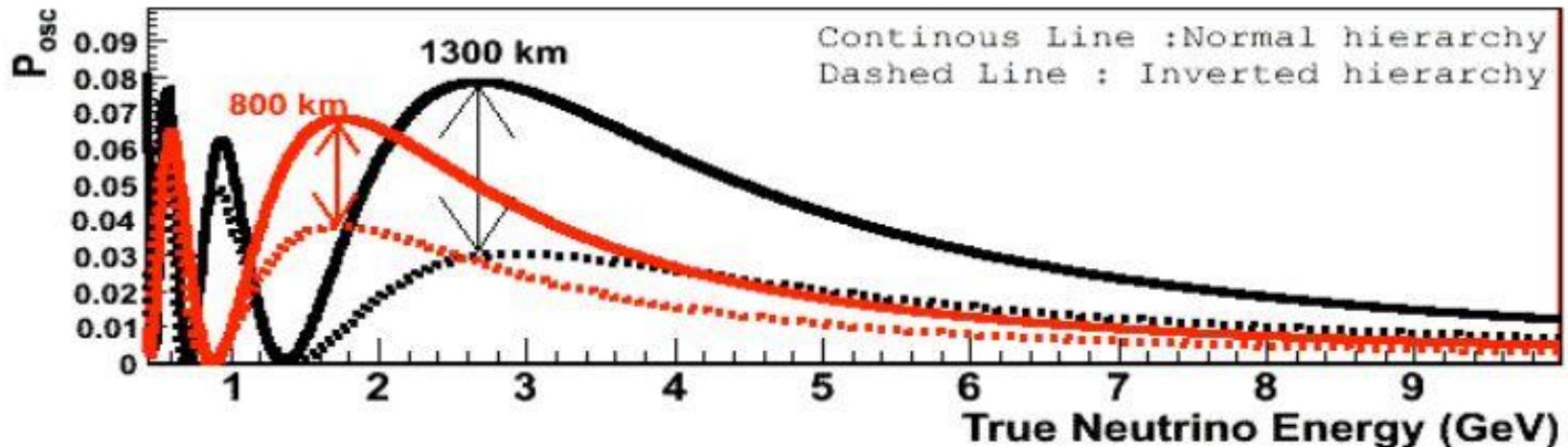
July 16-18, 2008

Steve Elliott, Derek Elsworth, Daniela Leitner, Larry Murdoch, Tullis C. Onstott and Hank Sobel



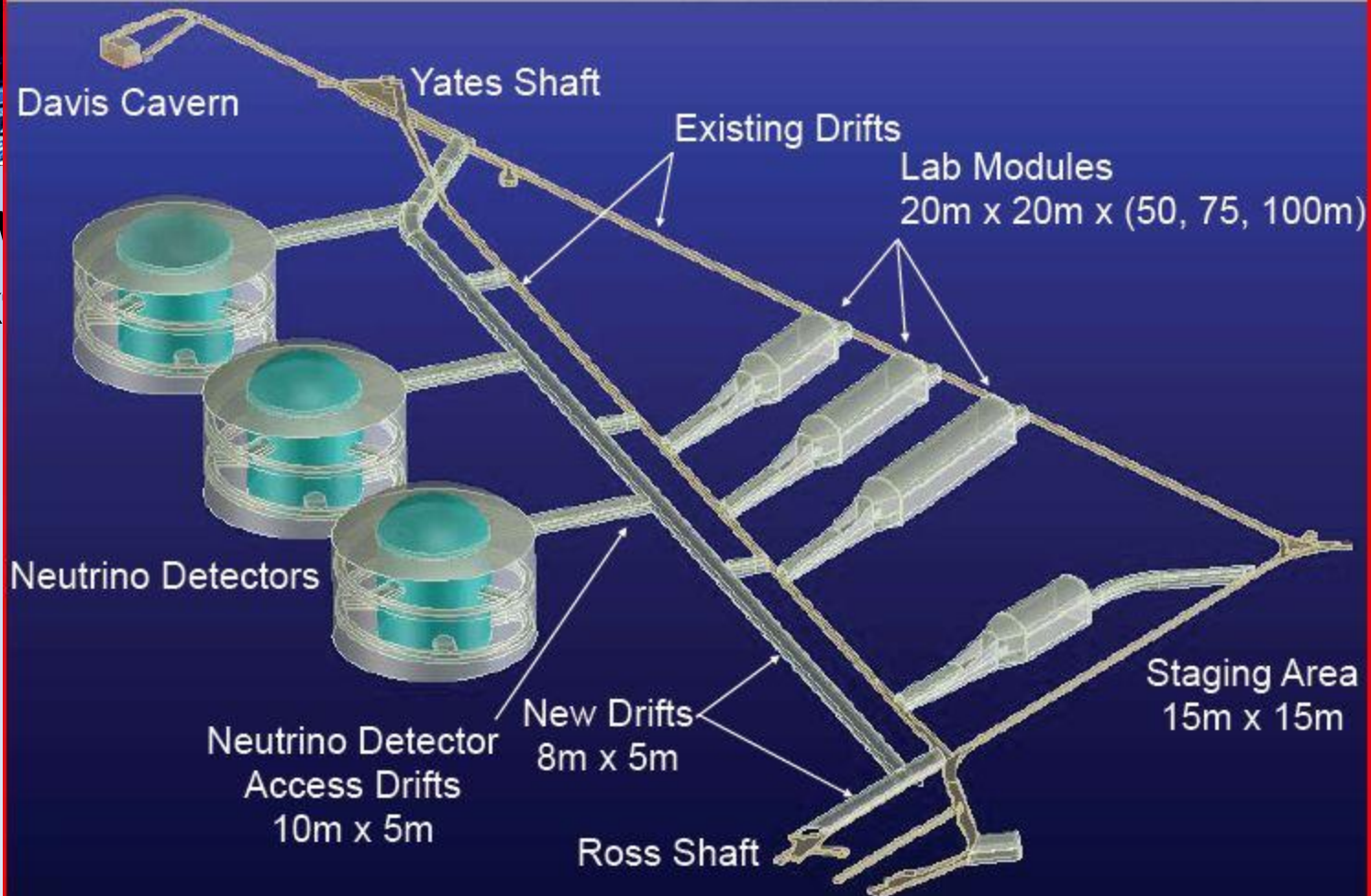
Why DUSEL?

- 1300 km distance is significant for determination of neutrino mass hierarchy
- Deep underground site allows rich physics program in addition to LB neutrinos



Water Cerenkov

4850 Level Conceptual Layout



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NuSAG Report

30×10^{20} p.o.t neutrino + 30×10^{20} p.o.t antineutrino
 \approx 3-5 years neutrino + 3-5 years antineutrino @ 1 MW

| Option | $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ 5 σ , all δ_{CP} | CPV 5 σ , 50% δ_{CP} | $\text{sgn}(\Delta m^2_{13})$ 5 σ , all δ_{CP} |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1) NuMI-ME 0.9° 100 kt LAr, 1 st max | 0.008 | 0.08 | 0.18 |
| 2) NuMI-LE 0.9°/3.3° 50/50 kt LAr, 1 st /2 nd max | 0.011 | >0.10 | 0.15 |
| 3) WBB 0.5° 300 kt H ₂ O Ch, 1300 km | 0.013 | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| 4) WBB 0.5° 100 kt LAr, 1300 km | 0.007 | 0.008 | 0.015 |

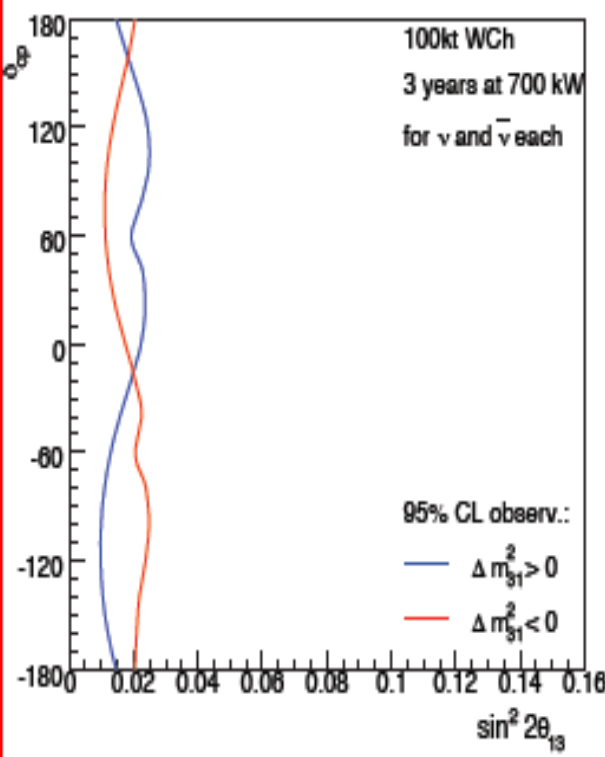
Entries are minimum $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ where null hypothesis is ruled out

1kt LAr \approx 3kt H₂O

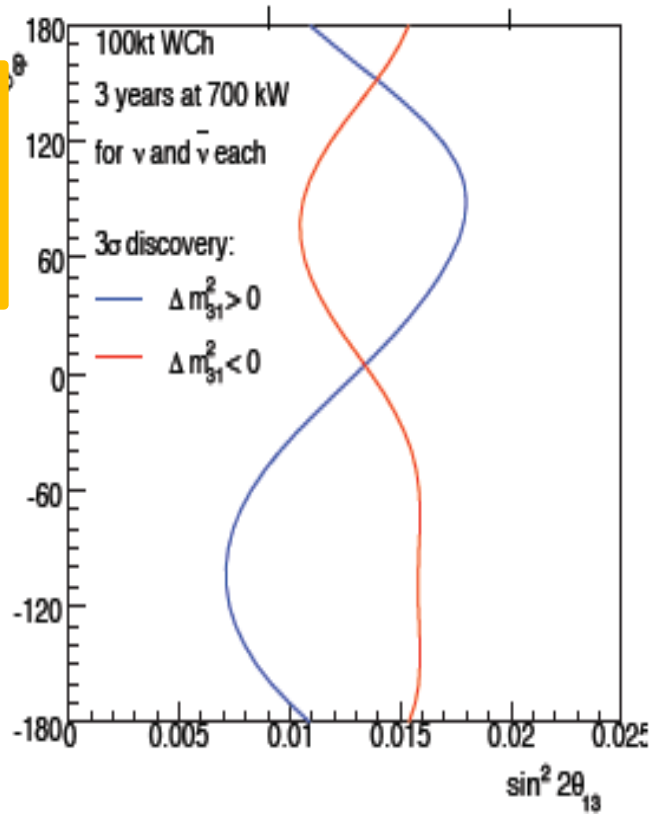
**A 100 kton
Water Detector**

18x10²⁰ POT each

Mass Hierarchy

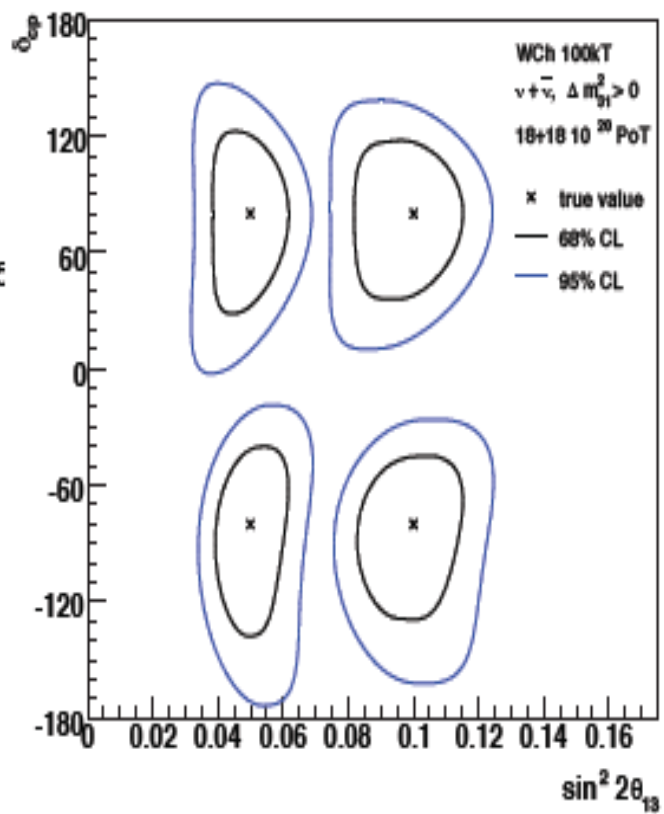


θ_{13}



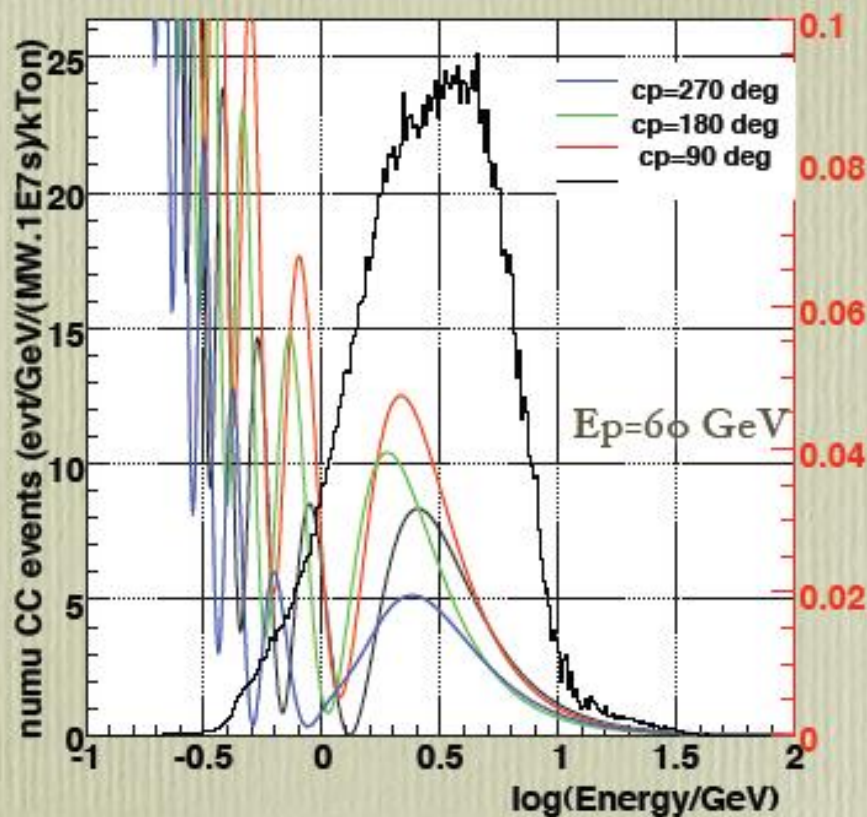
from Mark Dierckxsens
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Determination of CP
Phase

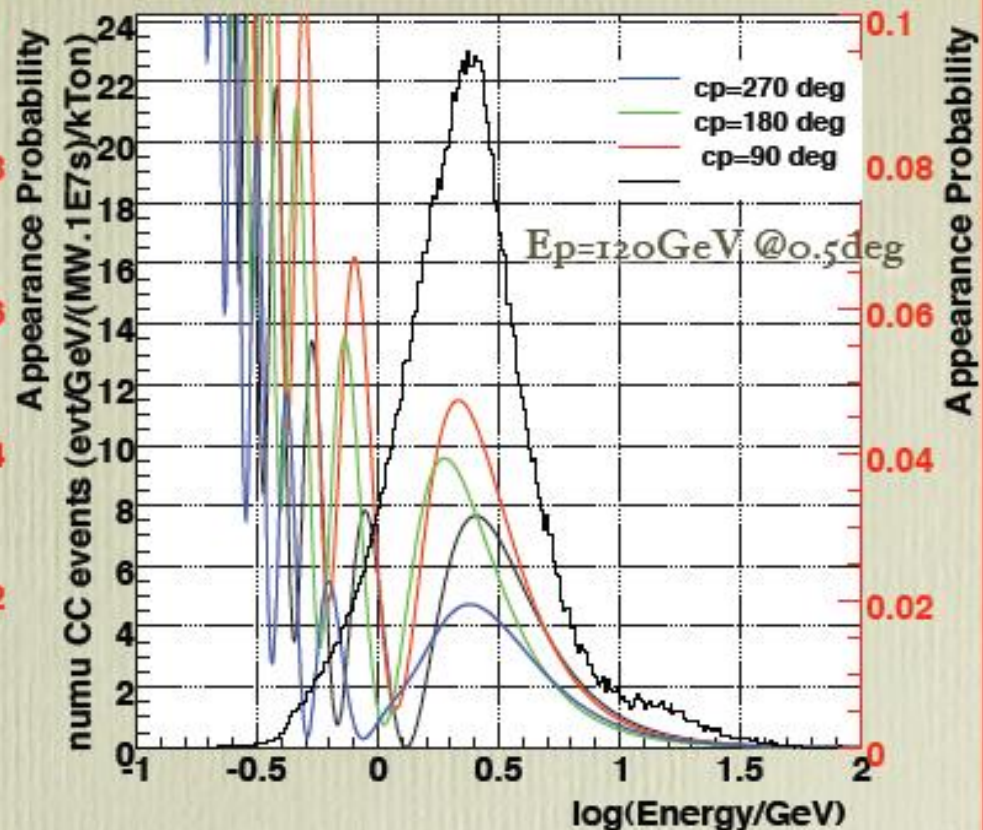


Spectra FNAL to DUSEL (WBLE:wide band low energy)

numu cc (param) 1300km / 0km



numu cc (param) 1300km / 12km



- 60 GeV at 0deg: CCrate: 14 per (kT*10²⁰ POT)
- 120 GeV at 0.5deg: CCrate: 17 per(kT*10²⁰POT)

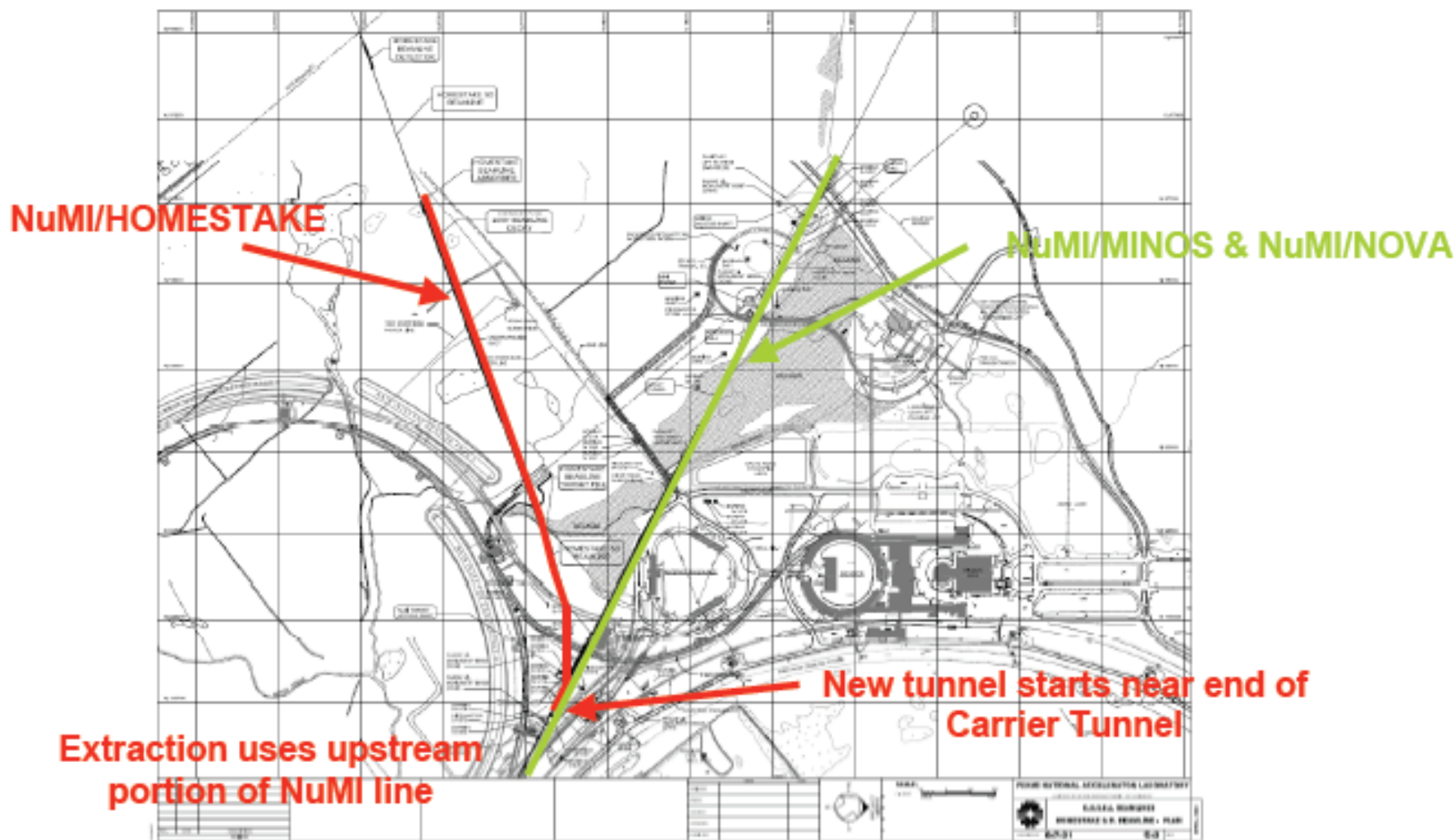
Work of M. Bishai and B. Viren using NuMI simulation tools

Neutrino Beam Requirements*

- The maximal possible neutrino fluxes to encompass at least the 1st and 2nd oscillation nodes, which occur at 2.4 and 0.8 GeV respectively
- Since neutrino cross-sections scale with energy, larger fluxes at lower energies are desirable to achieve the physics sensitivities using effects at the 2nd oscillation node
- To detect $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$ at the far detector, it is critical to minimize the neutral-current contamination at lower energy, therefore minimizing the flux of neutrinos with energies greater than 5 GeV where there is little sensitivity to the oscillation parameters is highly desirable
- The irreducible background to $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$ appearance signal comes from beam generated ν_e events, therefore, a high purity ν_{μ} beam with as low as possible ν_e contamination is required

**From "Simulation of a Wide-Band Low-Energy Neutrino Beam for Very Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Experiments", Bishai, Heim, Lewis, Marino, Viren, Yumiceva*

Location of the Homestake Beamline



Homestake/DUSEL Neutrino Beam

NuMI-Homestake Event Rates

$$\Delta m_{21,31}^2 = 8.6 \times 10^{-5}, 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2, \sin^2 2\theta_{12,23} = 0.86, 1.0$$

Unoscillated ν_μ rates at 1300km:

120 GeV on-axis: 20,000 CC/MW.100kT. 10^7 , 9mrad off-axis: 9,000 CC/MW.100 kT. 10^7 s

60 GeV on-axis: 15,000 CC/MW.100kT. 10^7 s

Oscillated rates at 1300km:

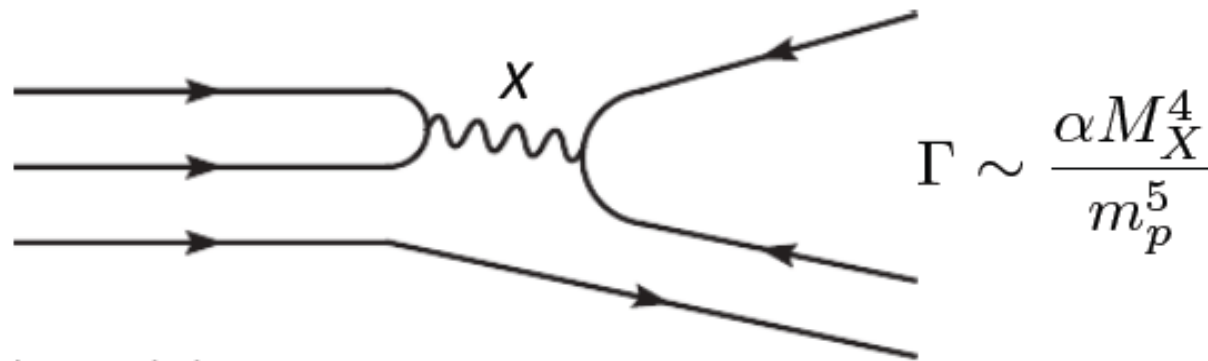
| | | $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ rate | | | | $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ rates | | | |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| (sign of Δm_{31}^2) | $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ | δ_{CP} deg. | | | | | | | |
| | | 0° | -90° | 180° | $+90^\circ$ | 0° | -90° | 180° | $+90^\circ$ |
| WBLE beams at 1300km, per 100kT. MW. 10^7 s | | | | | | | | | |
| 120 GeV, 9 mRad off-axis | | Beam $\nu_e = 47^{**}$ | | | | Beam $\bar{\nu}_e = 17^{**}$ | | | |
| (+/-) | 0.0 | 14 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.0 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| (+) | 0.02 | 87 | 134 | 95 | 48 | 20 | 7.2 | 15 | 27 |
| (-) | 0.02 | 39 | 72 | 51 | 19 | 38 | 19 | 33 | 52 |
| 60 GeV, on-axis | | Beam $\nu_e = 61^{**}$ | | | | Beam $\bar{\nu}_e = 22^{**}$ | | | |
| (+) | 0.02 | 138 | 189 | 125 | 74 | 30 | 12 | 19 | 37 |
| (-) | 0.02 | 57 | 108 | 86 | 34 | 46 | 27 | 48 | 67 |

* = 0-3 GeV ** = 0-5 GeV, 1 MW. 10^7 s = 5.2×10^{20} POT at 120 GeV, 1yr = 2×10^7 s

Rich Physics Program

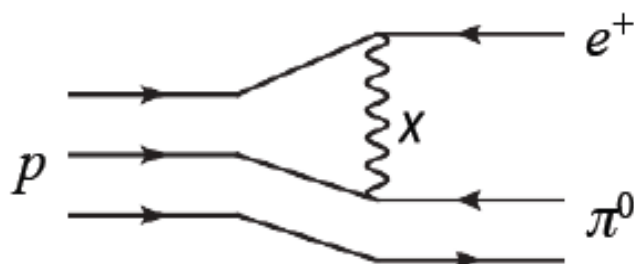
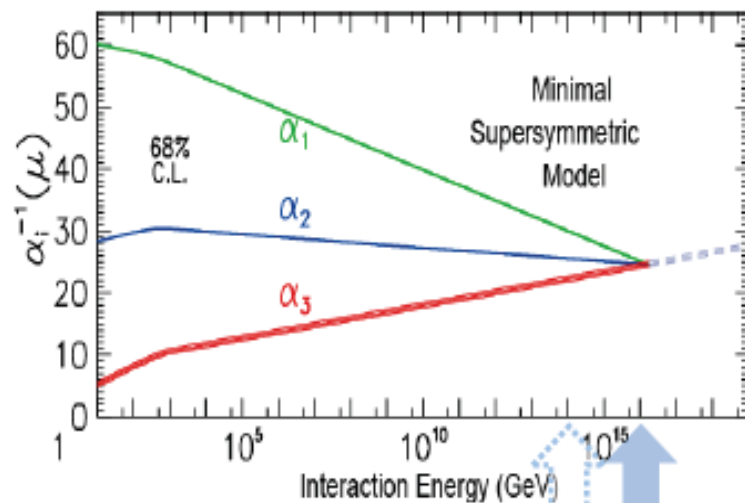
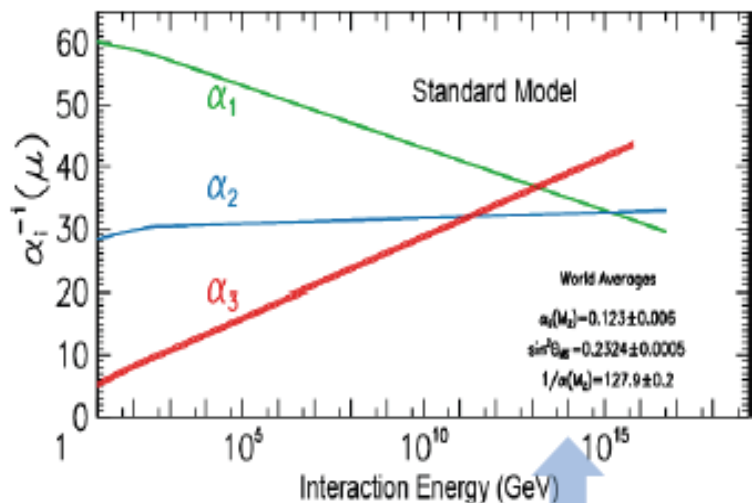
- **Nucleon Decay:** 300 ktons = 13 x Super-K
- **Galactic Supernova:** @ 10 kpc 25,000 ν_e , 1,000 forward scatter events, 2,500 NC+CC nuclear excitation events in WC
- **Relic Supernovae:** 100 kton WC detector doped with Gd *should see* these. ~40% of these should come from SN with $z > 0.5$.
- **HEP Solar Neutrinos:** 18 MeV endpoint neutrinos from H-e-p reactions. Predicted but never seen. Super-K just on the edge.

Nucleon Decay



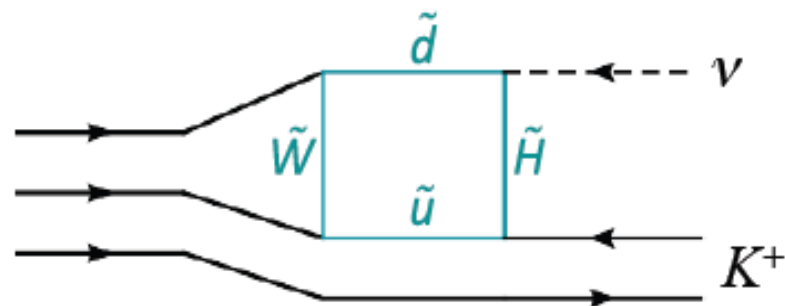
- ★ Highly prized physics motivation:
Grand Unification of strong, weak, and electromagnetic forces!
New force carrying particle!
- ★ Connections to neutrino mass, inflation, BAU ...
- ★ Test of basic symmetries: baryon number and lepton number.
- ★ Supersymmetric versions of GUTs are of great interest and value.
- ★ $\sim 10^{15}$ GeV energy scale – inaccessible to accelerators.
- ★ Long lifetime (from SK) is already a difficult constraint which new models must work hard to evade.

Unification of Running Coupling Constants



$$\tau/B = 4.5 \times 10^{29 \pm 1.7} \text{ years SU(5)}$$

$$\tau/B > 8.4 \times 10^{33} \text{ years SK I + II}$$



$$\tau/B = 10^{29-35} \text{ years SUSY}$$

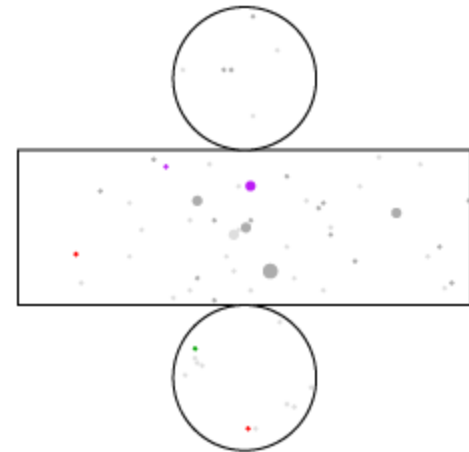
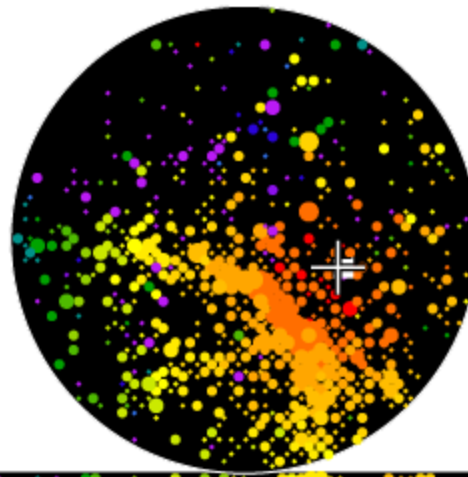
$$\tau/B > 2.3 \times 10^{32} \text{ years SK I}$$

| Model | Ref. | Modes | τ_N (years) |
|--|--|---|---|
| Minimal $SU(5)$ | Georgi, Glashow [2] | $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ | $10^{30} - 10^{31}$ |
| Minimal SUSY $SU(5)$ | Dimopoulos, Georgi [11], Sakai [12] Lifetime Calculations: Hisano, Murayama, Yanagida [13] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ $n \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^0$ | $10^{28} - 10^{32}$ |
| SUGRA $SU(5)$ | Nath, Arnowitt [14, 15] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ | $10^{32} - 10^{34}$ |
| SUSY $SO(10)$ with anomalous flavor $U(1)$ | Shafi, Tavartkiladze [16] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ $n \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^0$ $p \rightarrow \mu^+ K^0$ | $10^{32} - 10^{35}$ |
| SUSY $SO(10)$ MSSM (std. $d = 5$) | Lucas, Raby [17], Pati [18] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ $n \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^0$ | $10^{33} - 10^{34}$ $10^{32} - 10^{33}$ |
| SUSY $SO(10)$ ESSM (std. $d = 5$) | Pati [18] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ | $10^{33} - 10^{34}$ $\lesssim 10^{35}$ |
| SUSY $SO(10)/G(224)$ MSSM or ESSM (new $d = 5$) | Babu, Pati, Wilczek [19, 20, 21], Pati [18] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ $p \rightarrow \mu^+ K^0$ | $\lesssim 2 \cdot 10^{34}$ $B \sim (1 - 50)\%$ |
| SUSY $SU(5)$ or $SO(10)$ MSSM ($d = 6$) | Pati [18] | $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ | $\sim 10^{34.9 \pm 1}$ |
| Flipped $SU(5)$ in CMSSM | Ellis, Nanopoulos and Wlaker[22] | $p \rightarrow e/\mu^+ \pi^0$ | $10^{35} - 10^{36}$ |
| Split $SU(5)$ SUSY | Arkani-Hamed, <i>et. al.</i> [23] | $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ | $10^{35} - 10^{37}$ |
| $SU(5)$ in 5 dimensions | Hebecker, March-Russell[24] | $p \rightarrow \mu^+ K^0$ $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ | $10^{34} - 10^{35}$ |
| $SU(5)$ in 5 dimensions option II | Alciati <i>et.al.</i> [25] | $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$ | $10^{36} - 10^{39}$ |
| GUT-like models from Type IIA string with D6-branes | Klebanov, Witten[26] | $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ | $\sim 10^{36}$ |

TABLE I: Summary of the expected nucleon lifetime in different theoretical models.

Super-Kamiokande I

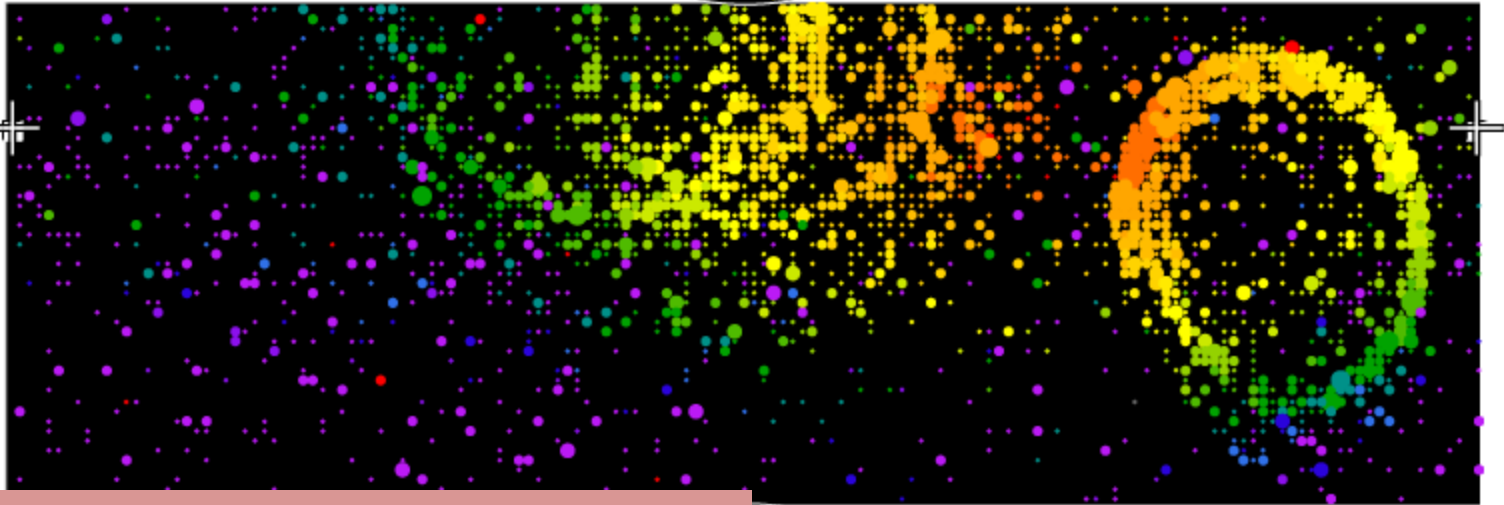
Run 999999 Sub 0 Ev 4
02-11-06:00:12:25
Inner: 3174 hits, 6998 pE
Outer: 5 hits, 5 pE (in-time)
Trigger ID: 0x03
D wall: 903.3 cm
Fully-Contained Mode



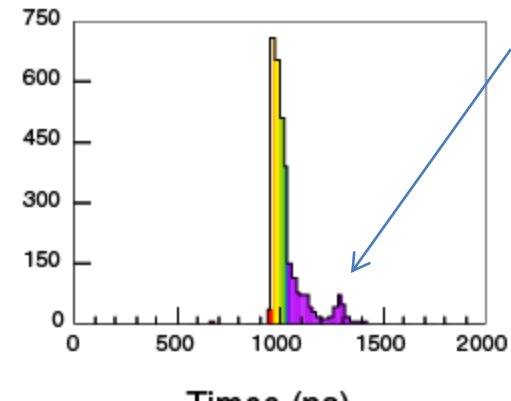
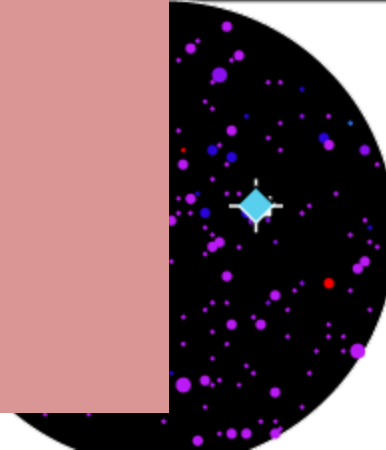
Example Event ($p \rightarrow \mu + \pi^0$)

Time (ns)

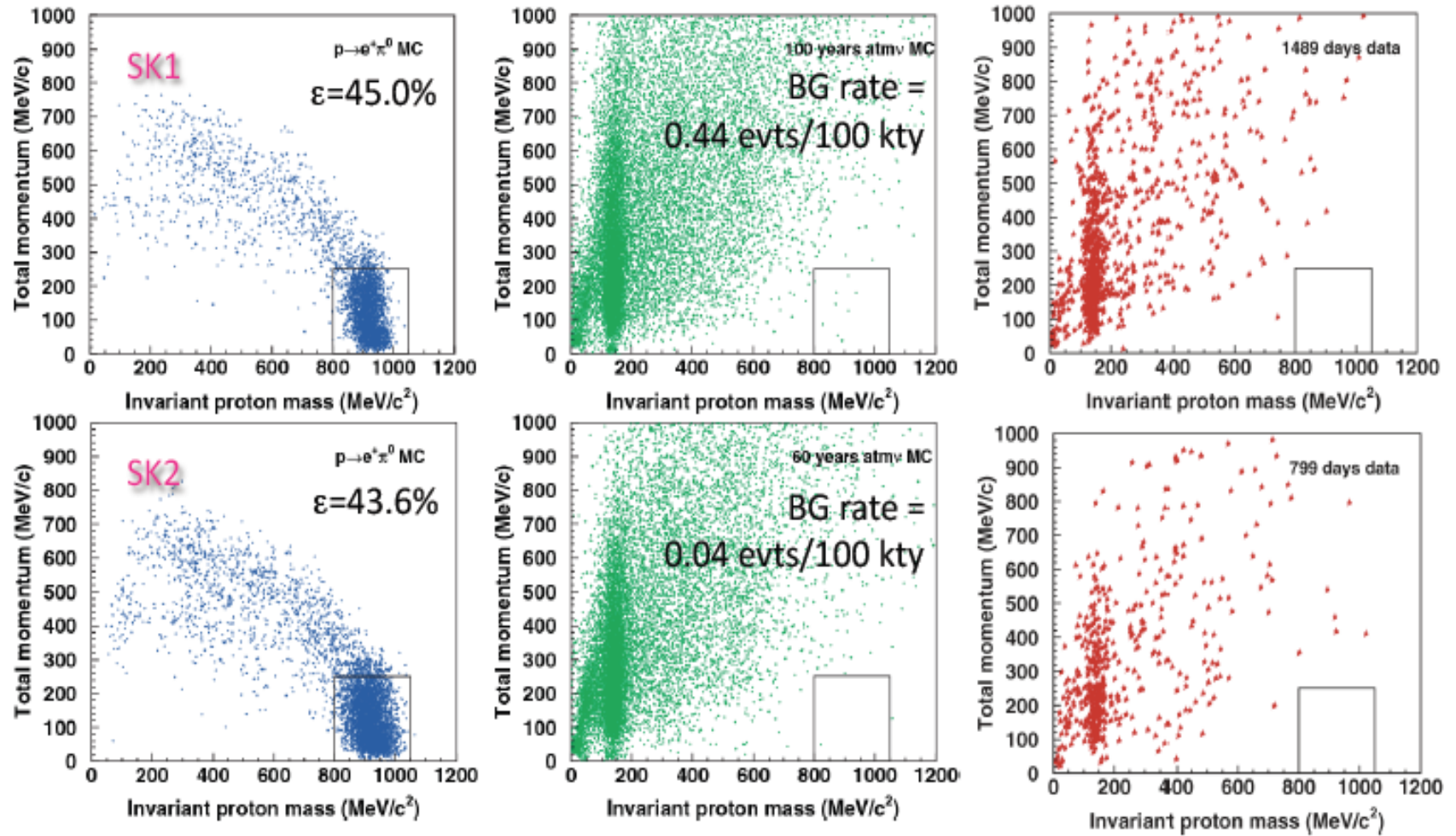
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- 1020-1026
- 1026-1032
- 1032-1038
- 1038-1044
- 1044-1050
- 1050-1056
- > 1056



- Fully contained, Fiducial volume
- 2 or 3 rings
- Correct PID of rings (e-like/ μ -like)
- π^0 mass 85-185 MeV/c²
- Correct # of μ -decay electrons
- Mass range 800-1050 MeV/c²
- Net momentum < 250 MeV/c

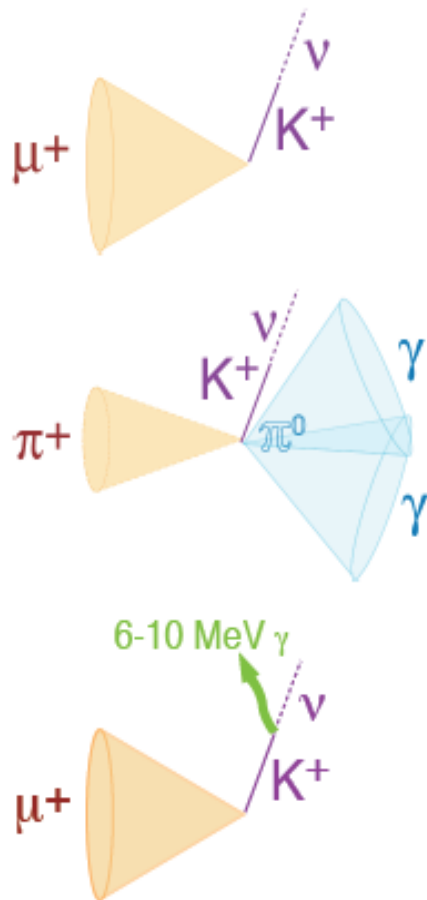


Super-Kamiokande Results ($p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$)



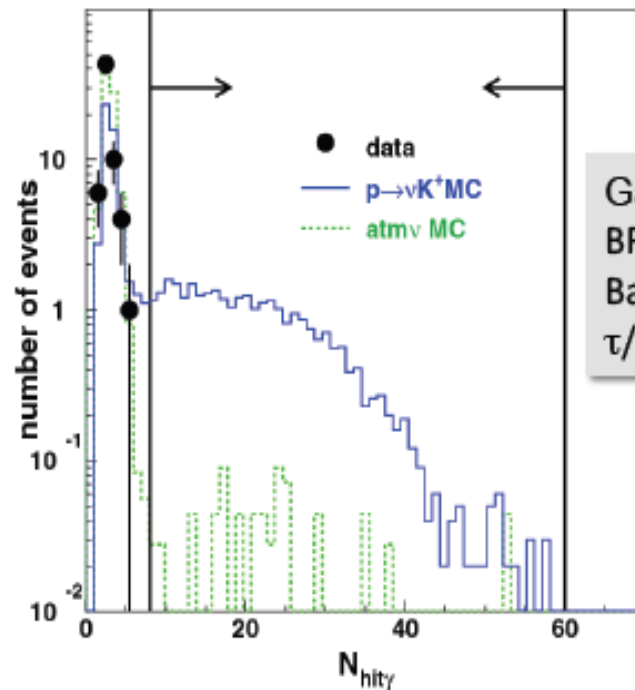
Indep. (Nuance MC) BG est. for SK1:
BG rate = 0.21 evts/100 kty

BG est. based on K2K 1KT:
BG rate = 0.16 ± 0.07 evts/100 kty

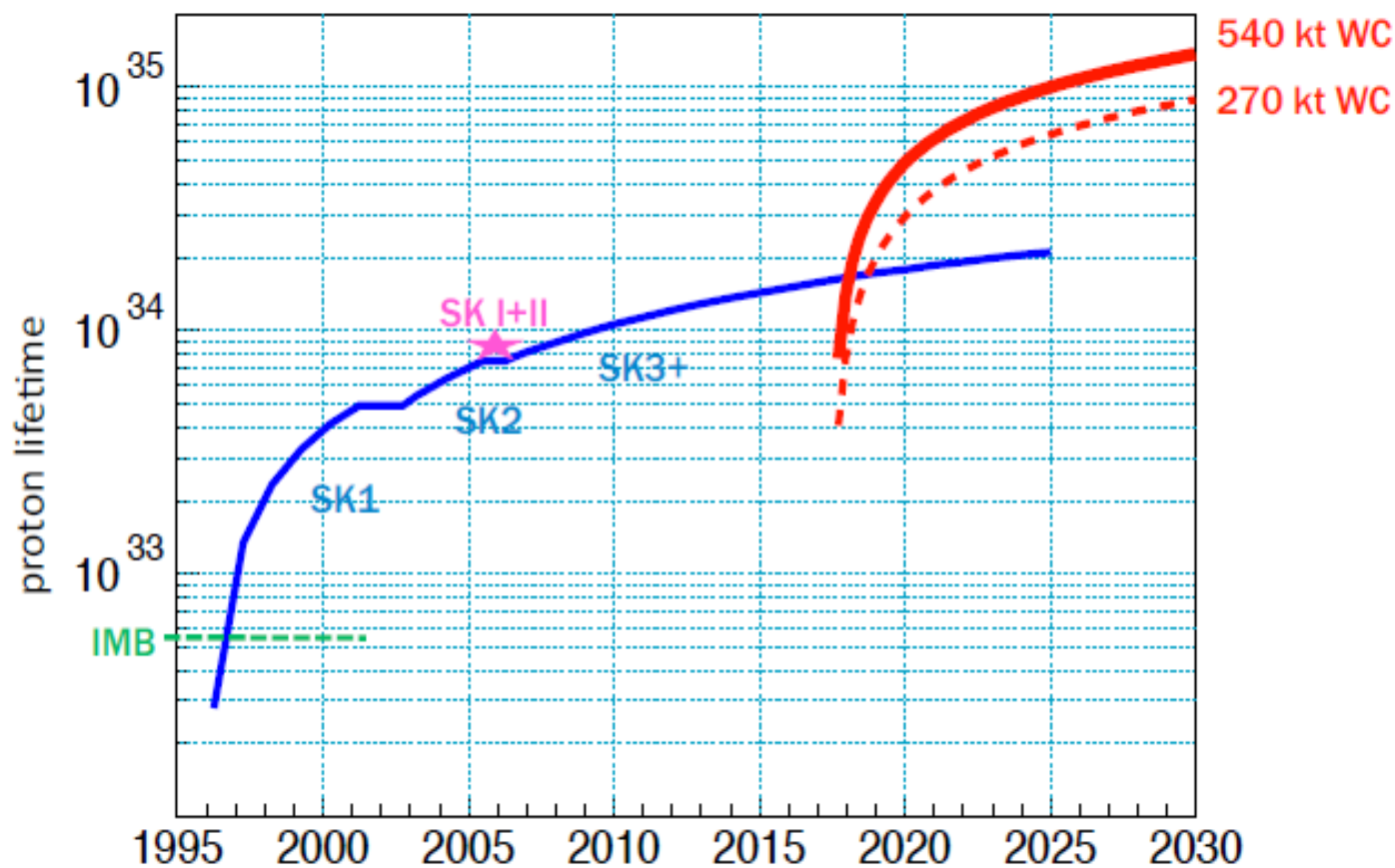
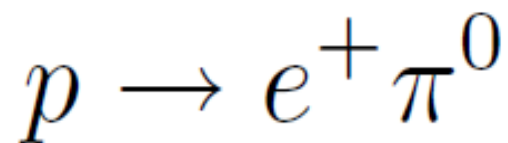


Super-Kamiokande Search for $(p \rightarrow K^+ \nu)$

- ★ K^+ below Cherenkov threshold
- ★ Essentially a search for K^+ decay at rest
- ★ Three searches (eventually combined)
 - Monochromatic muon (65% BR, large background)
 - $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ (21% BR)
 - $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$ with early gamma tag from $^{16}\text{O}^*$



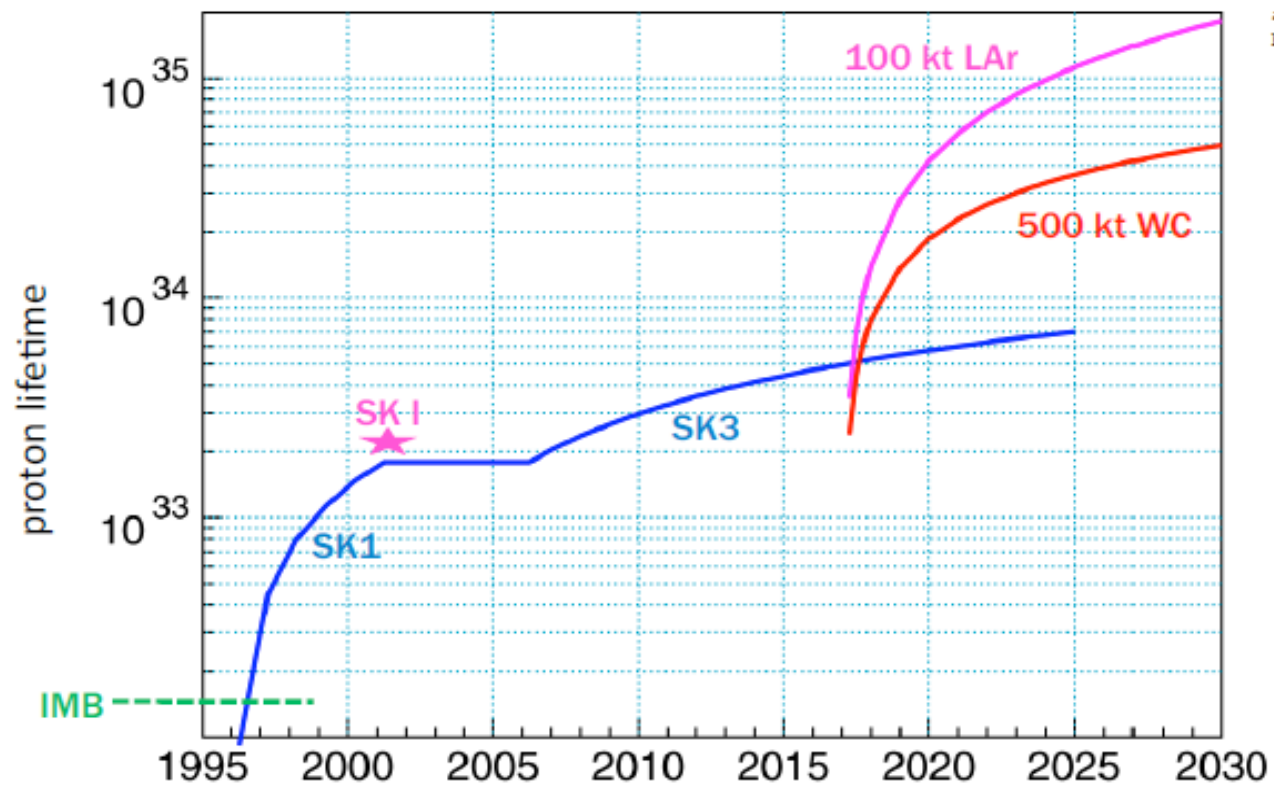
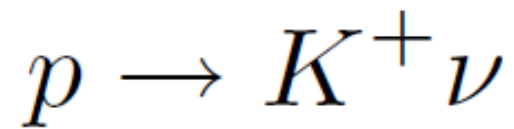
Gamma Tag Search:
 $BR \times \epsilon = 8.6 \pm 20_{\text{sys}}\%$
 Background = 0.7 events ($\pm 59\%$)
 $\tau/B < 10 \times 10^{32}$ years



efficiency = 0.45

bg. rate = 0.2 evts/100 kty

$N_{\text{obs}} = N_{\text{bg}}$

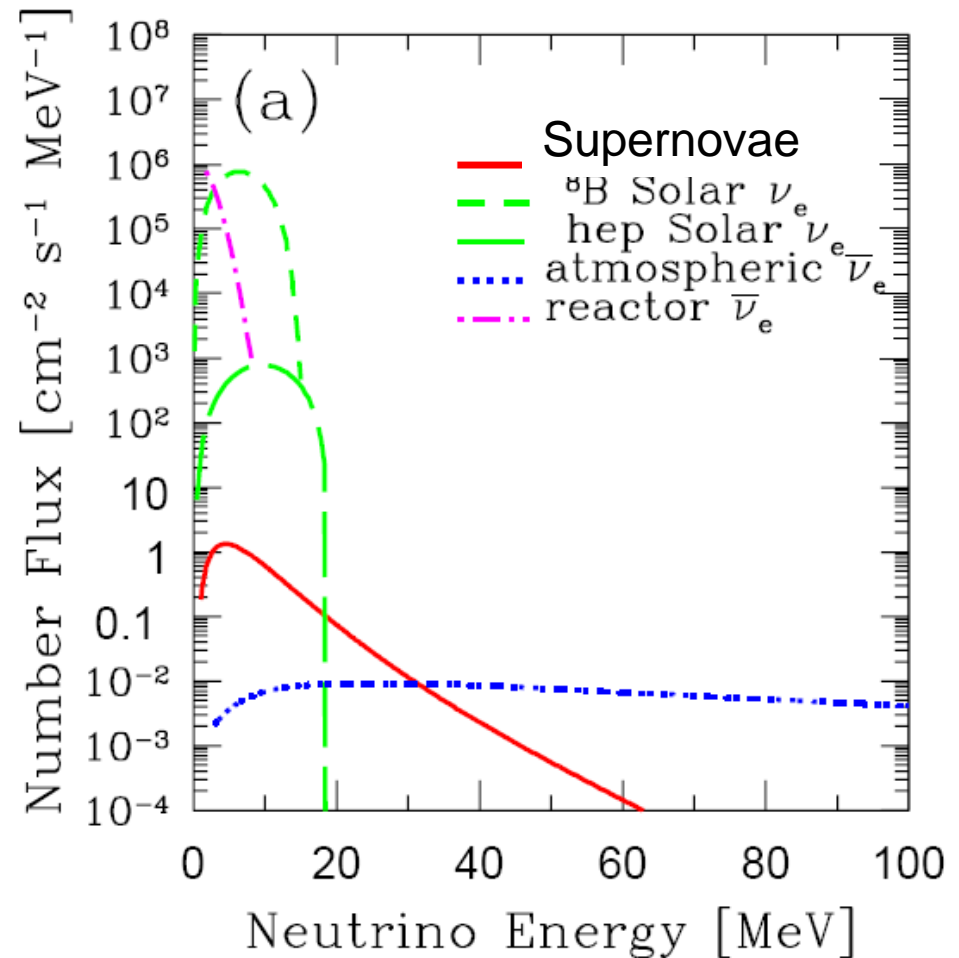


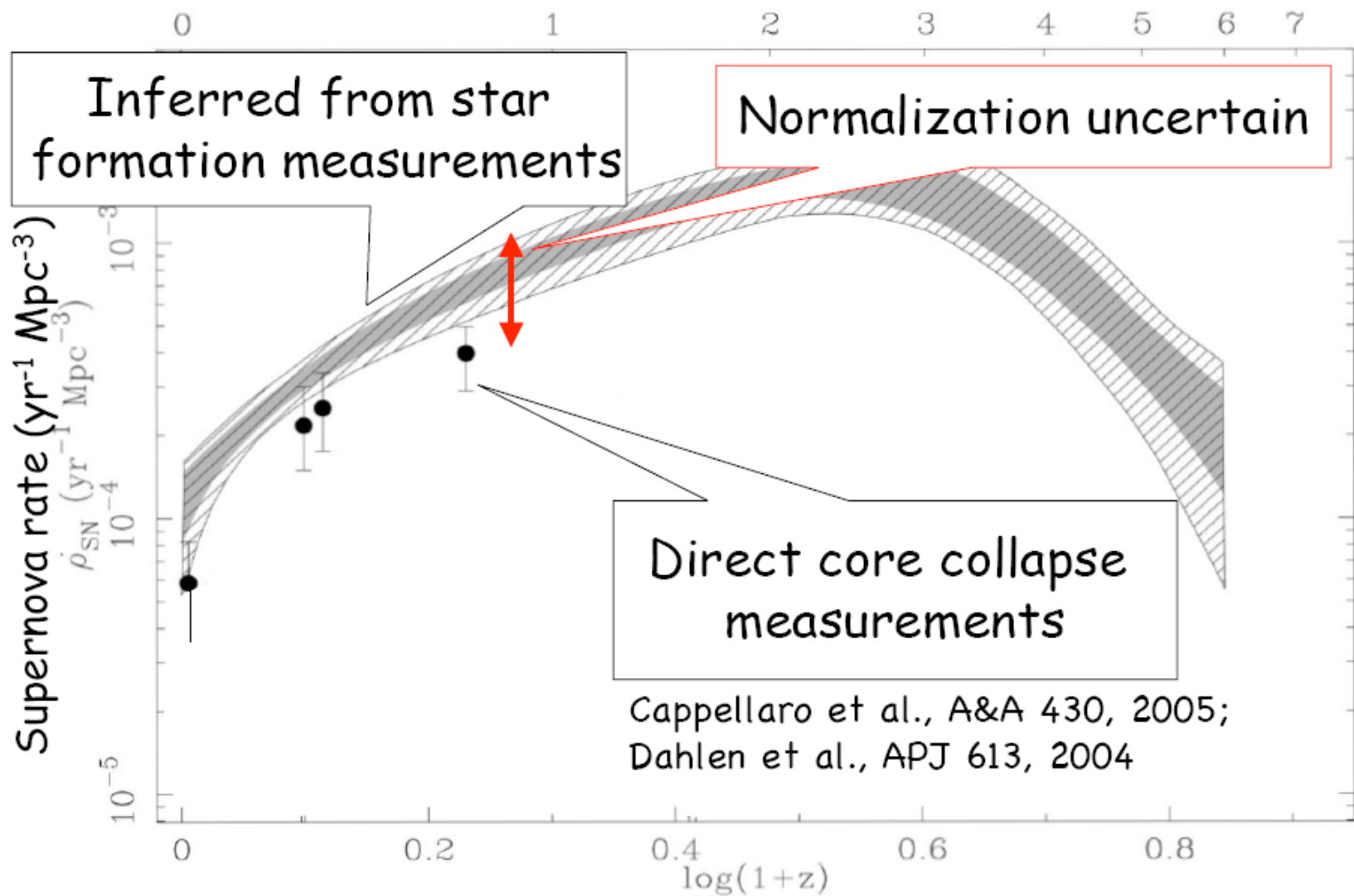
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The feeble signal of all SNe

- Sum over the whole universe:

$$\sum_{\star} \Phi_{\nu}^{\star}$$





Adapted from Beacom & Hopkins, astro-ph/0601463

Spectrum fitting in SK-I

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{\left[N_{data}(i) - (\alpha \times N_{relic}(i) + \beta \times N_{\nu_e}(i) + \gamma \times N_{\nu_\mu}(i)) \right]^2}{\sigma_{data}^2 + \sigma_{MC}^2 + \sigma_{systematic}^2}$$

$N_{data}(i)$: real Data spectrum

$N_{relic}(i)$: SRN MC spectrum

$N_{\nu_e}(i)$: atmospheric ν_e spectrum

$N_{\nu_\mu}(i)$: atmospheric ν_μ spectrum

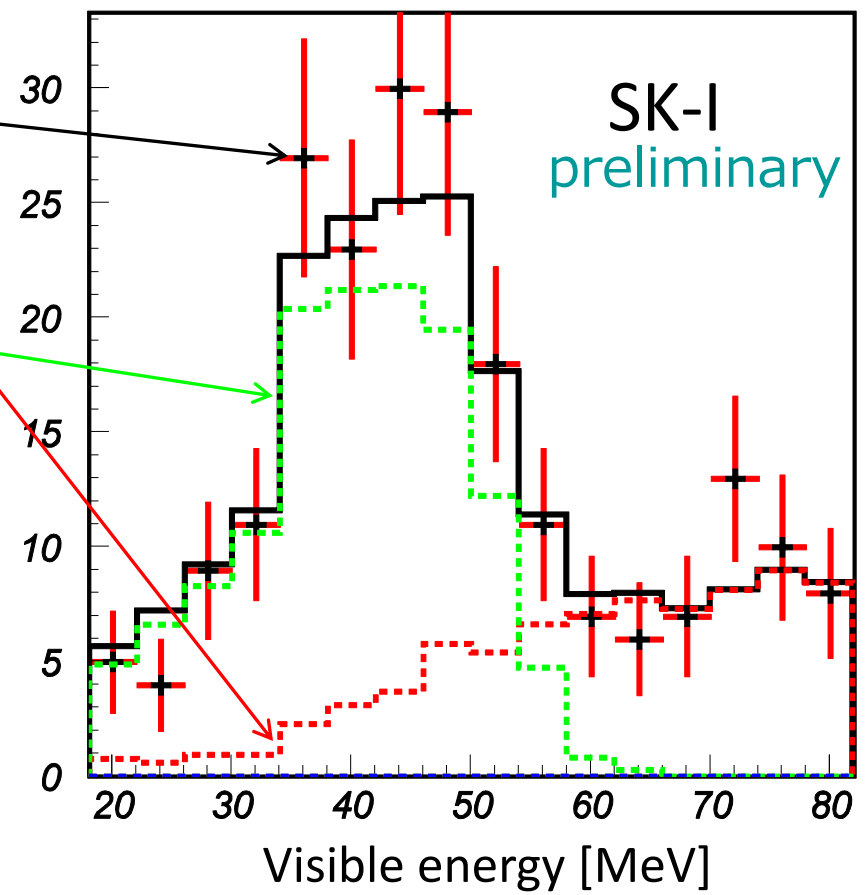
free parameter

$\alpha = 0.0$: factor of SRN

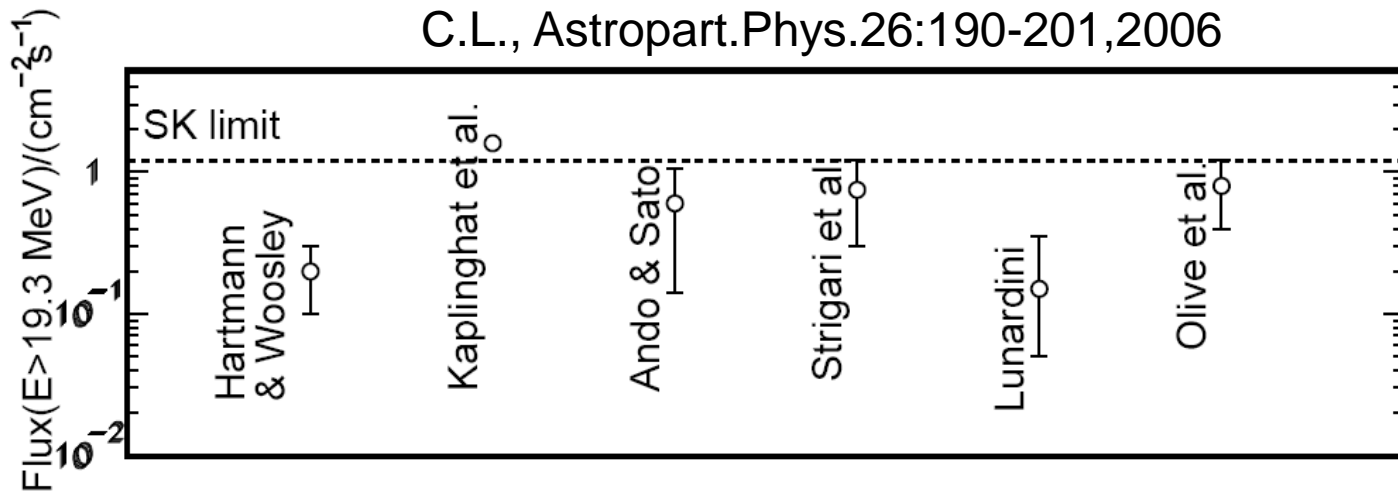
$\beta = 1.30 \pm 0.2$: factor of ν_e

$\gamma = 0.45 \pm 0.1$: factor of ν_μ

$\chi^2 = 7.2 / 13 \text{ d.o.f}$



Status of theory: anti- ν_e flux



- Differences due to different inputs/methods

For a Gd-loaded 100 kton WC detector, estimates range from 2-20 events/year.

C.L., Astropart.Phys.26:190-201,2006, Fogli et al. JCAP 0504:002,2005, Volpe & Welzel, 2007, C.L. & O.L.G. Peres, to appear soon.

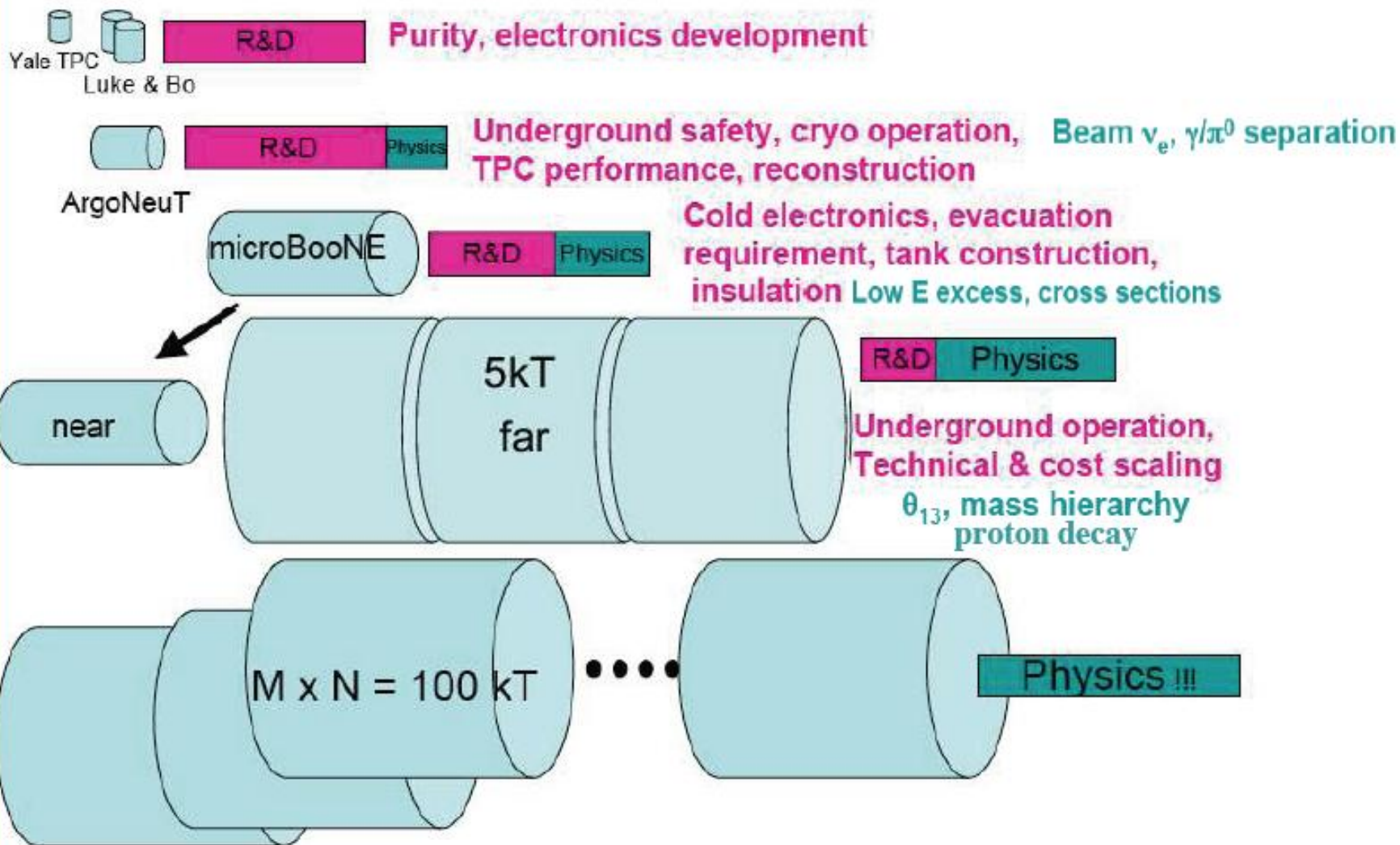
SK background of ~ 20 /year significantly reduced by neutron tagging. (Beacom and Vagins)

Water Cerenkov R&D Issues

- What is the PMT coverage required for efficiency neutron capture detection?
- What is the PMT coverage required for detection of precursor gamma ray from $p \rightarrow \nu K$? (Note: 20% coverage in SK-II was too little).
- Can PMT's be installed without SK style "mufflers"? BNL is working on PMT implosion testing.

- How can Gd-loaded water be cleaned without removing the Gd? Is removal of Fe ions only enough— or do we have to worry about other things also?
- Can the walls of a large cavern be coated directly? Do we need to have concrete and/or a liner? How to mount PMTs cheaply?
- Do we need a veto region? SK had one, but DUSEL 4850 is much deeper. Note: IMB operated successfully without a veto region.
- Can efficiency for e/π^0 be improved?

Evolution of the Liquid Argon Physics Program in the US



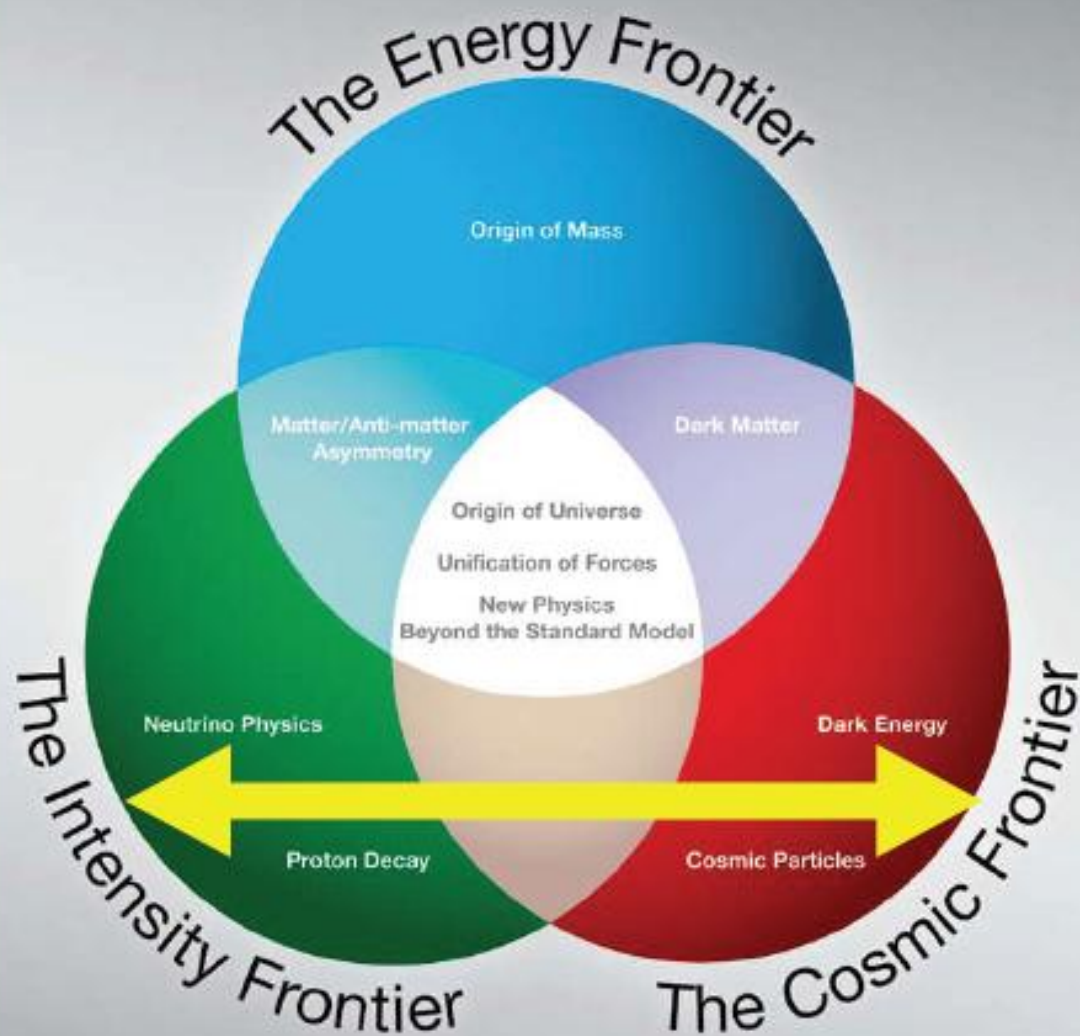
Liquid Argon R&D Issues

- Feasibility: insulation, purity, cold electronics, necessity for evacuation of vessel
- Underground safety – this is a major concern
- What is the cost?
- Also predictability of costs and minimization of risk

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Complementary to the physics of the energy frontier

Size, neutrino beam intensity, distance: the next step in neutrino physics.

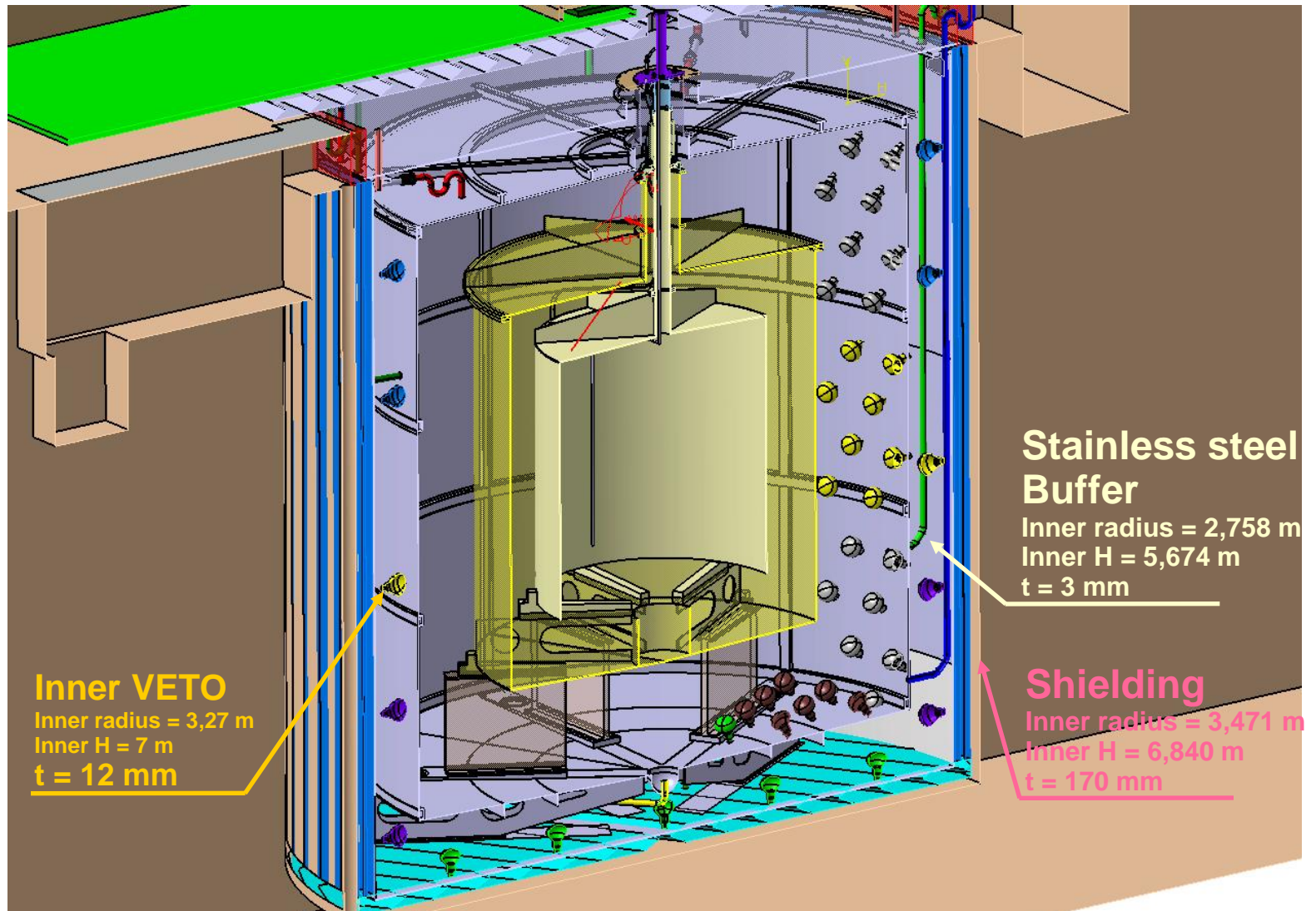
Size gives improved sensitivity to proton decay, our window to the unification of forces.

Depth and low background allows detection of neutrinos from present and past supernova at cosmological distances.

Very large increases to data from known natural neutrino sources: the Sun, and the atmosphere.

backup

Detector Layout



| Beam | Det size (FIDUCIAL) | Exposure $\nu + \bar{\nu}$ | syst. uncert on bkgd | $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ | $\text{sign}(\Delta m_{31}^2)$ | CPV |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| NuMI/HStake 120 GeV 9mrad off-axis | 100kT | 700kW 2.6+2.6yrs | 5% | 0.018 | 0.044 | > 0.1 |
| | 100kT | 1MW 3+3yrs | 5% | 0.014 | 0.031 | > 0.1 |
| | 300kT | 1MW 3+3yrs | 5% | 0.008 | 0.017 | 0.025 |
| | 300kT | 1MW 3+3yrs | 10% | 0.009 | 0.018 | 0.036 |
| | 300kT | 2MW 3+3yrs | 5% | 0.005 | 0.012 | 0.012 |
| | 300kT | 2MW 3+3yrs | 10% | 0.006 | 0.013 | 0.015 |
| NuMI/HStake 60GeV on-axis | 100kT | 1MW 3+3yrs | 5% | 0.012 | 0.037 | >0.1 |
| | 300kT | 1MW 3+3yrs | 10% | 0.008 | 0.021 | 0.037 |
| | 300kT | 2MW 3+3yrs | 5% | 0.005 | 0.013 | 0.015 |

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