

# Neutrino Detection

## Neutrinos at Accelerators and Reactors

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PARTICLE DETECTION FROM GROUND TO SPACE AND SPACE WEATHER IMPACTS  
WORKSHOP

**TOPICS:**

- High energy neutrino and space weather
- Neutrino detection
- Neutrino detection from Earth and space
- Neutrino detection from the Sun
- Neutrino detection from the atmosphere
- Neutrino detection from the Earth's interior
- Neutrino detection from the Earth's crust
- Neutrino detection from the Earth's core
- Neutrino detection from the Earth's mantle
- Neutrino detection from the Earth's crust and mantle
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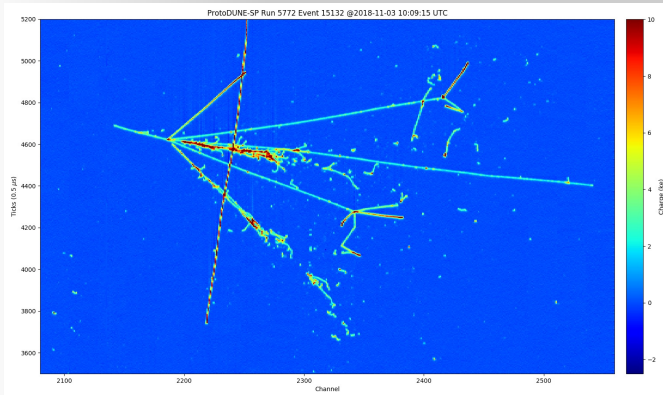
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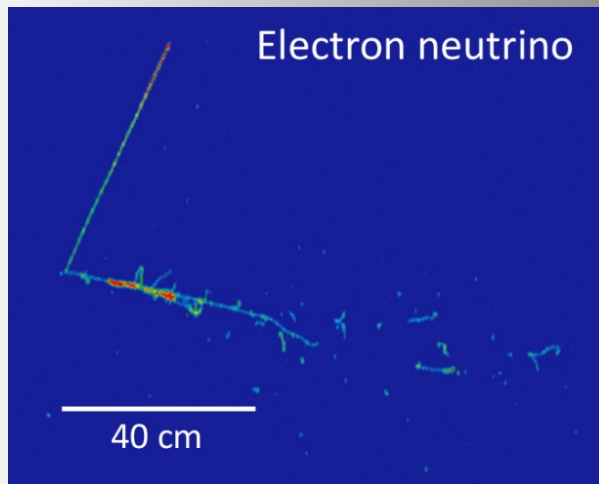
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# Outline

- Introduction to neutrinos
- Results from oscillation experiments
- (Neutrino properties: mass and Majorana/Dirac nature )
- **Neutrino experiments at the LHC**
- Next generation of experiments
- Summary



Pion event in the ProtoDUNE at CERN



Electron neutrino event in the ICARUS detector at FNAL

# Neutrinos

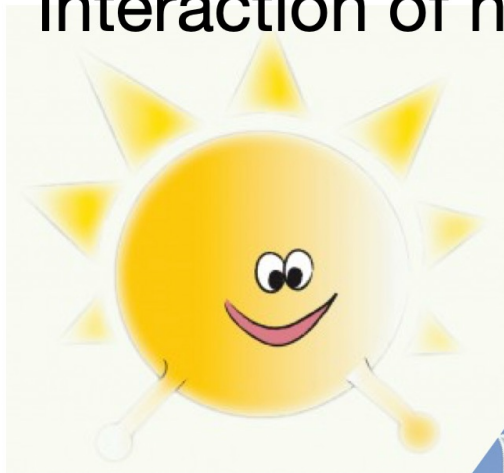
## Neutrinos are still mysterious particles

- Have only (left handed) weak interactions
- Are mass-less in the (minimal) SM .. until 1998
- Are the only neutral fermions in the SM
- Could be Majorana or Dirac fermions
- **Neutrinos are produced everywhere**
  - Solar neutrinos
  - Atmospheric neutrinos
  - Neutrinos from supernova explosions
  - Primordial neutrinos from the Big Bang
  - Nuclear reactor created neutrinos
  - Accelerator created neutrinos
  - Geoneutrinos, Radioactive decay, **even from your body...**



# Neutrinos

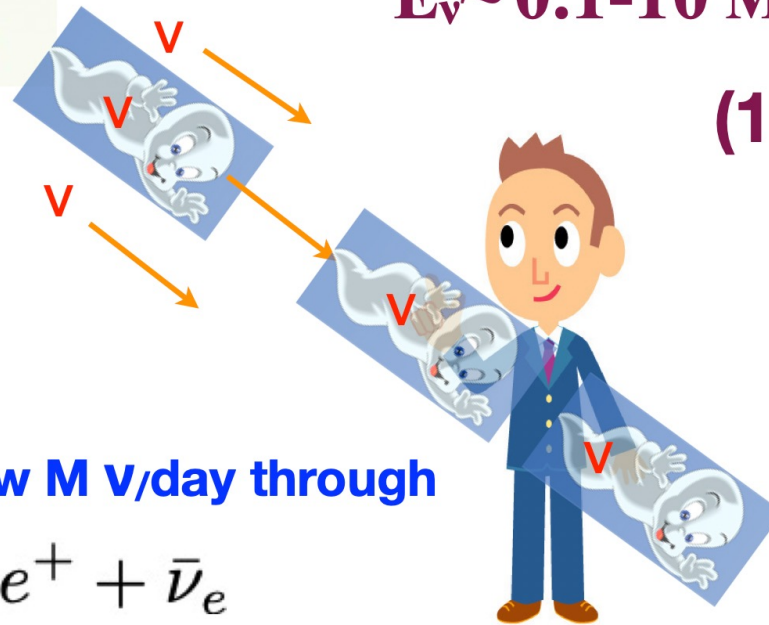
Interaction of neutrinos with matter is very weak!



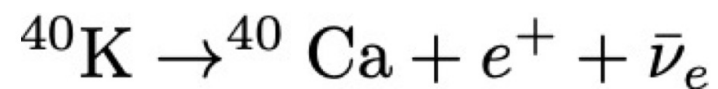
~ 1trillion ( $10^{12}$ ) of  $\nu_{\text{solar}}$  per second are passing through our body but we do not feel them at all!

$$E_{\nu} \sim 0.1 - 10 \text{ MeV} = 10^5 \text{ eV}$$

$$(1 \text{ MeV} = 10^6 \text{ eV})$$



And all of us also emit ~a few M  $\nu$ /day through

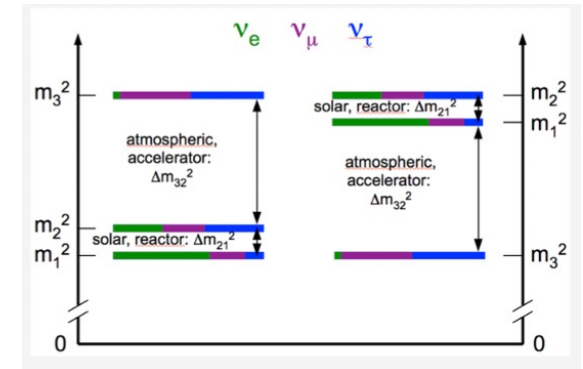




# Neutrinos

## Neutrino experiments today -> Open Questions!

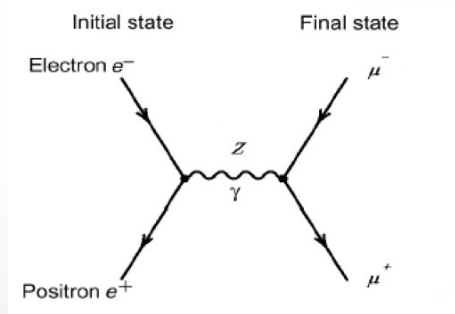
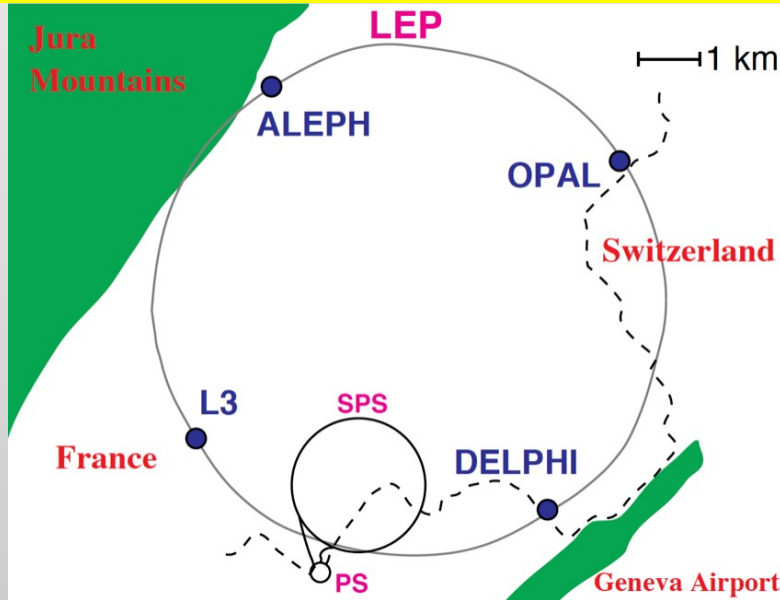
- Neutrino mass values? Origin of the Masses?
- Neutrino mass hierarchy? Normal or Inverted?
- CP violation in the lepton sector? Are neutrinos key to the baryon asymmetry in the Universe?
- Are neutrinos their own antiparticles? -> Lepton Number Violation!
- Do right-handed/sterile/heavy neutrinos exist?
- Are there non-standard neutrino interactions?
- Neutrinos and Dark Matter?
- Testing of CPT..
- Neutrinos are Chameleons:  
They can change flavour!!



Neutrinos are an essential part of our Universe and our very existence, and can provide answers to some of the key fundamental questions today

# Neutrinos come in 3 Flavors

## LEP e+e- collider at CERN (1988-2000)

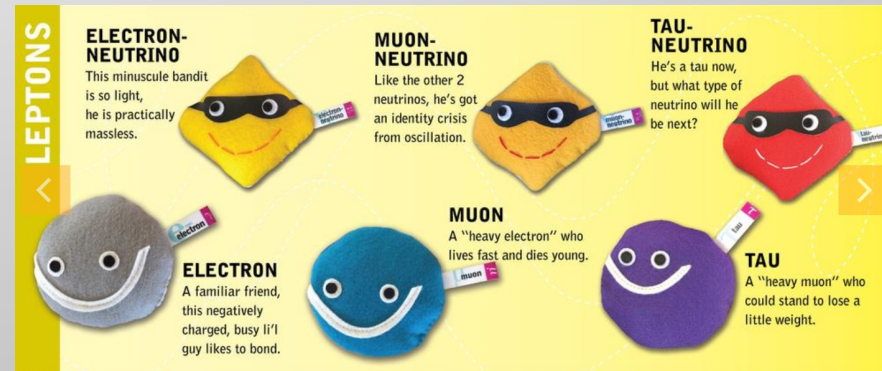
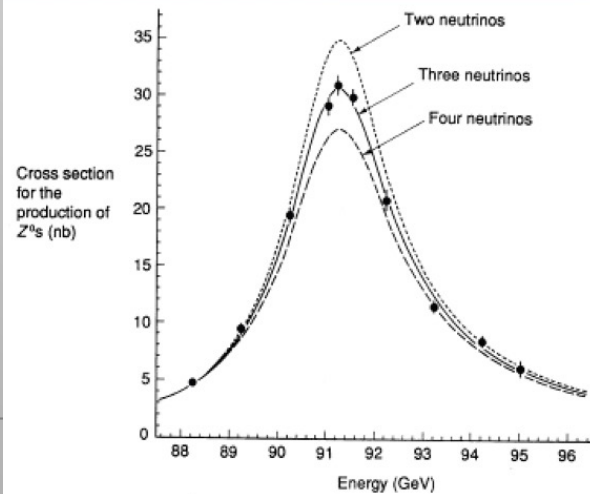


The width of the Z-boson gives the number of neutrinos

$$\Gamma_Z = \Gamma_{had} + 3\Gamma_l + N_\nu \Gamma_\nu$$


$$N_\nu = 2.99 \pm 0.02$$

## Detailed study of the Z-boson



LEP: three active neutrinos with mass < 45 GeV





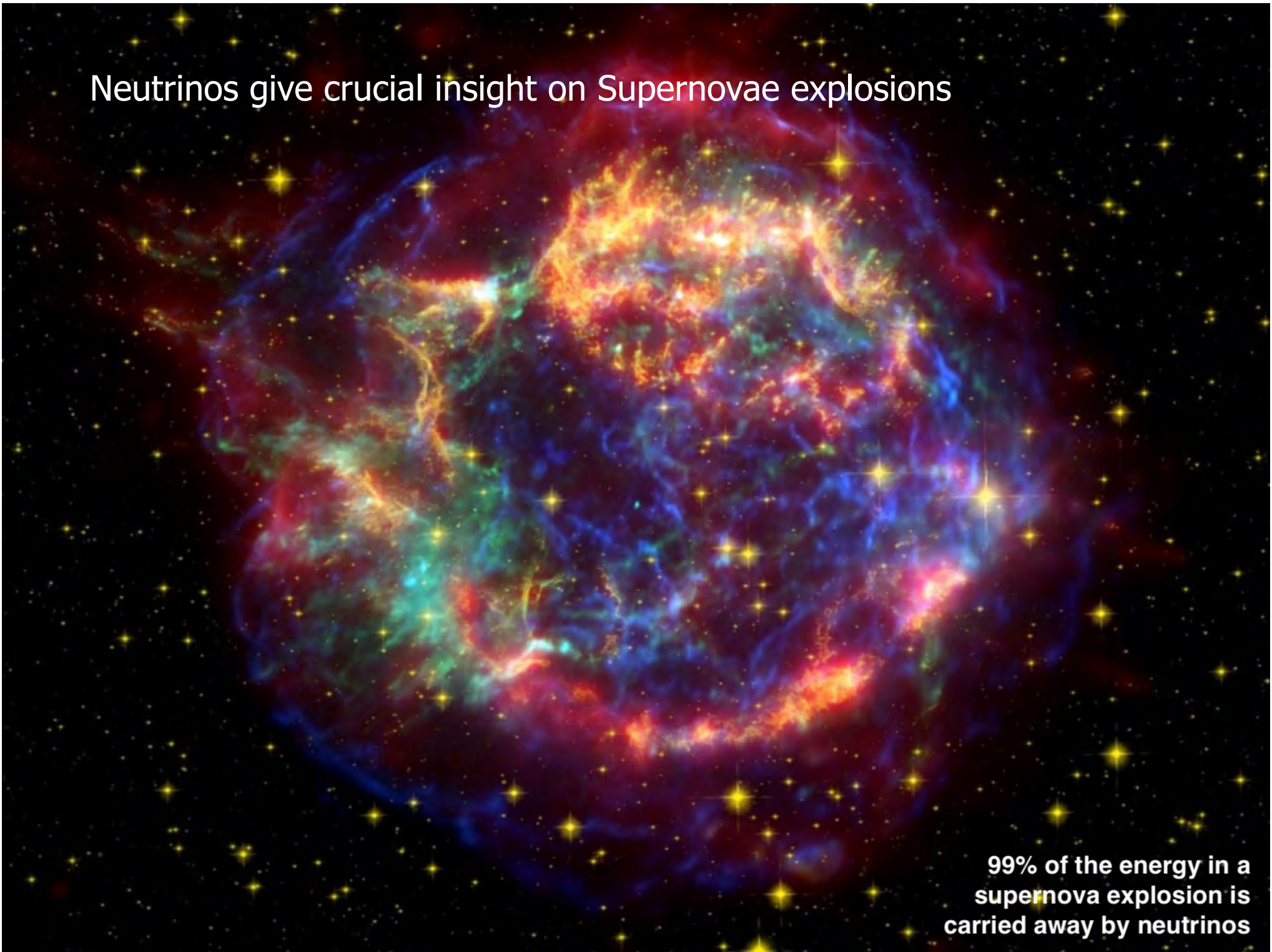
Plenty of neutrinos in the Universe

For every proton/neutron/electron  
the Universe contains a billion of  
neutrinos from the Big Bang



Neutrinos give crucial insight on Supernovae explosions

**99% of the energy in a  
supernova explosion is  
carried away by neutrinos**





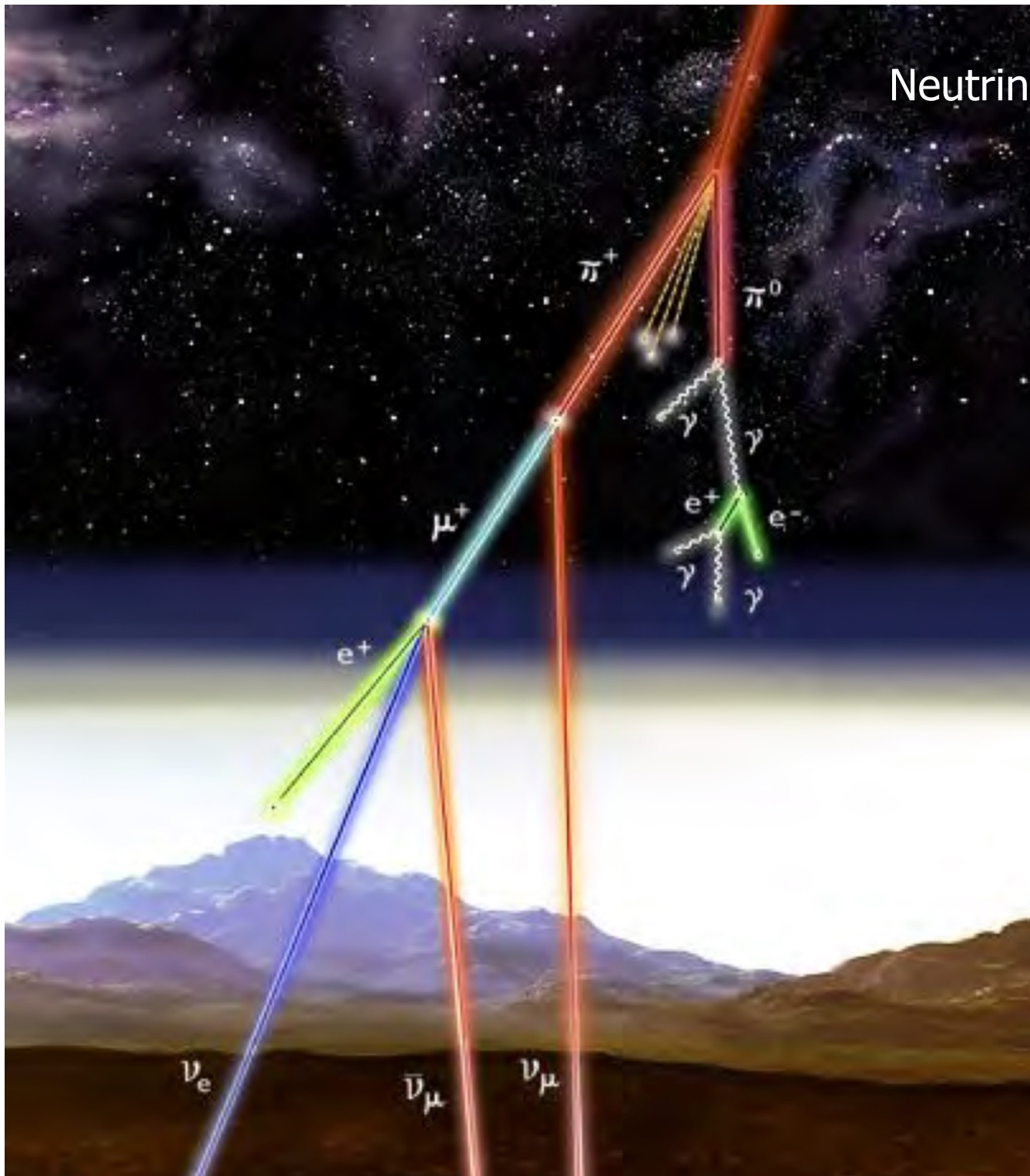
Neutrinos allow us to look into the heart of the sun



$10^{38}$  neutrinos per second  
are produced by the Sun

(with a flux of  $\sim 10^{11}/\text{cm}^2/\text{sec}$  at the Earth)

# Neutrinos from cosmic rays



Neutrinos are also produced  
in the atmosphere



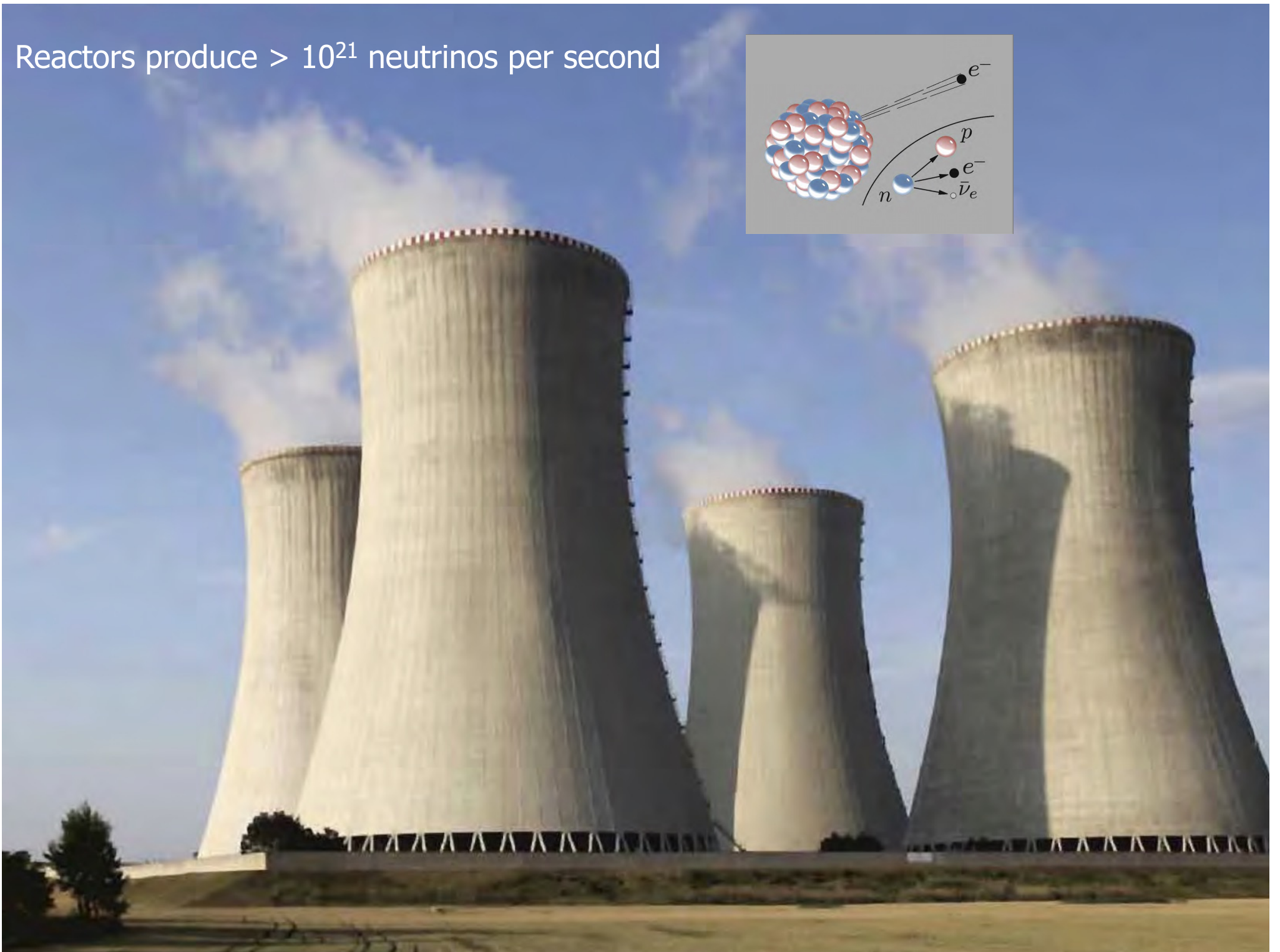
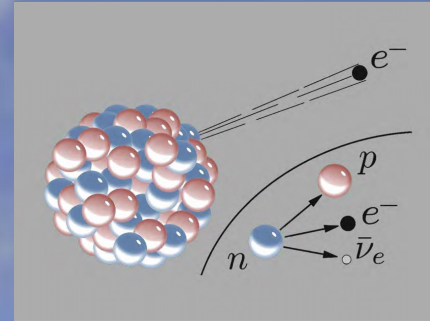
The image is a composite of two astronomical scenes. On the left, a black hole is depicted with a bright, glowing accretion disk and a dark central region. The background is a field of stars. On the right, a blazar is shown as a bright, multi-colored point source with a diffuse, glowing nebula-like structure. A beam of light, representing neutrinos, is shown traveling from the blazar towards the black hole. The overall background is a dark, star-filled space.

very high energy neutrinos from outer space

**A 290 TeV neutrino originated from a flaring blazar (black hole at the center of a galaxy) was detected by IceCube**



Reactors produce  $> 10^{21}$  neutrinos per second





# Neutrinos are Everywhere !



from Big Bang  $300 \text{ nus} / \text{cm}^3$

2 or more  $v/c \ll 1$

SuperNovae  
 $> 10^{58}$

Sun's  
 $\sim 10^{38} \text{ nu/sec}$

Daya Bay

$3 \times 10^{21} \text{ nu/sec}$

Neutrinos are Forever !!!

(except for the highest energy neutrino's)

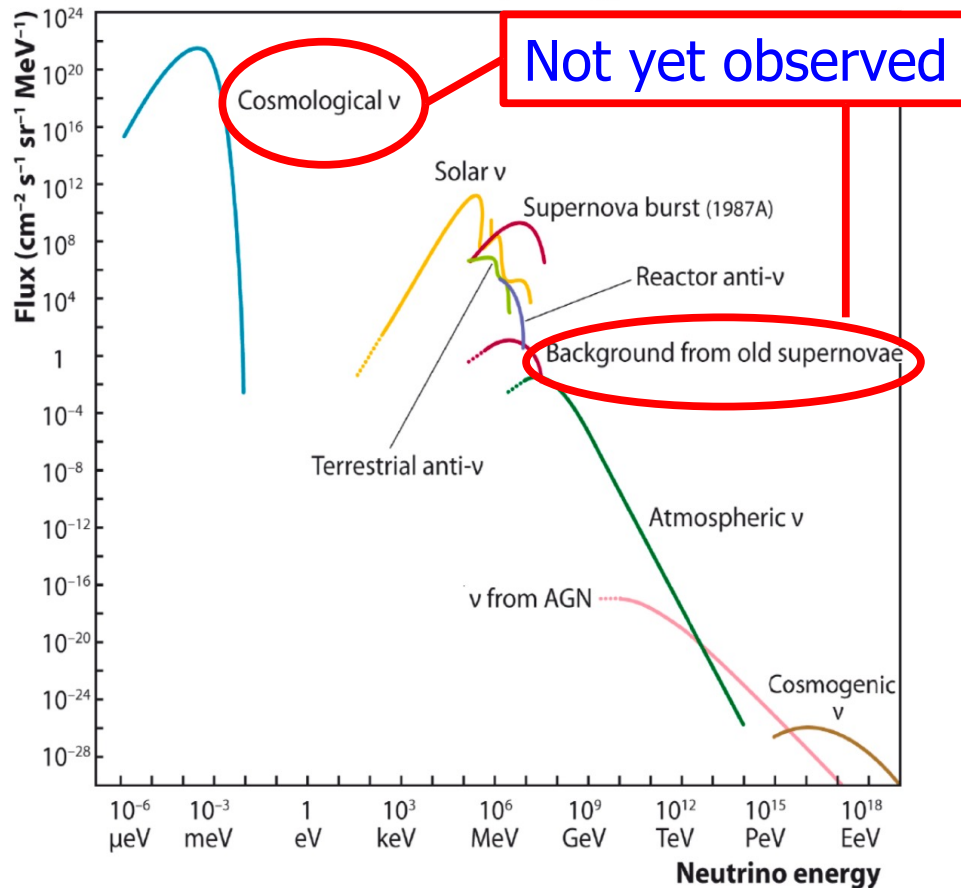


therefore in the Universe:  $\frac{\partial N_\nu}{\partial t} > 0$

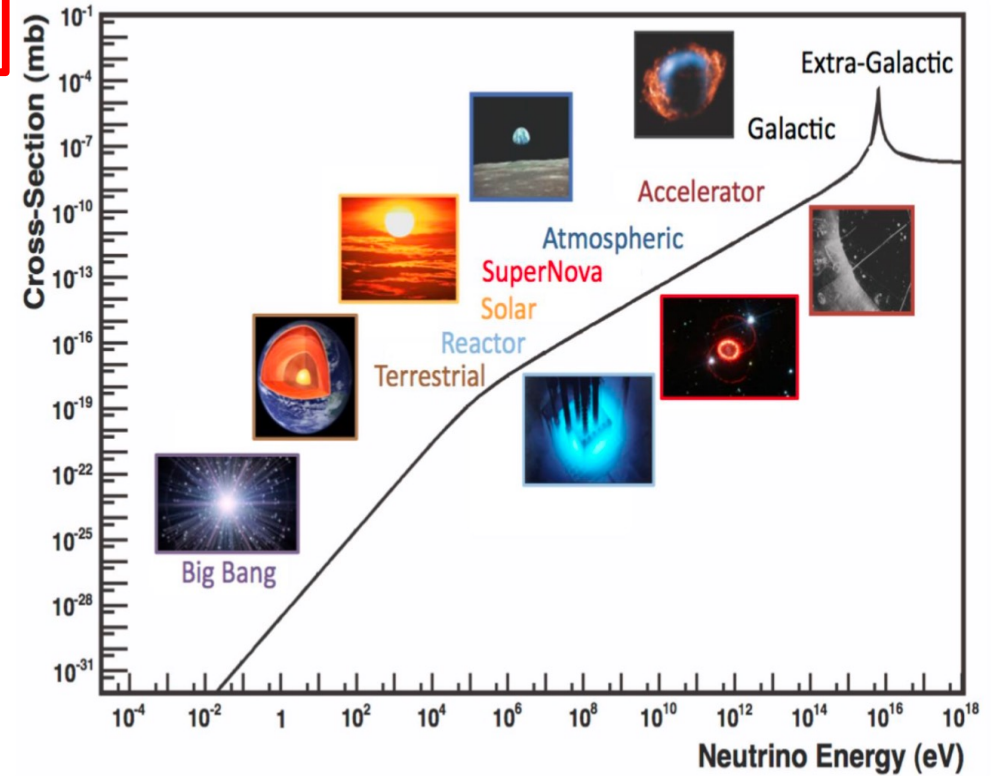


# Neutrino Sources, Flux and Cross Sections

C. Spiering, arXiv:1207.4952

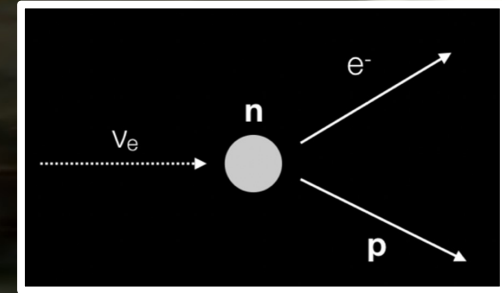


J. Formaggio, G.P. Zeller, arXiv:1305.7513



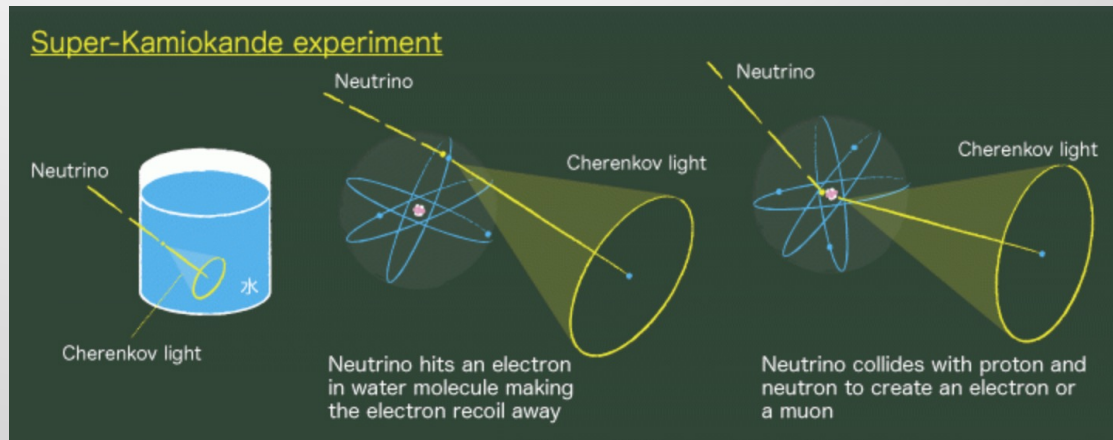
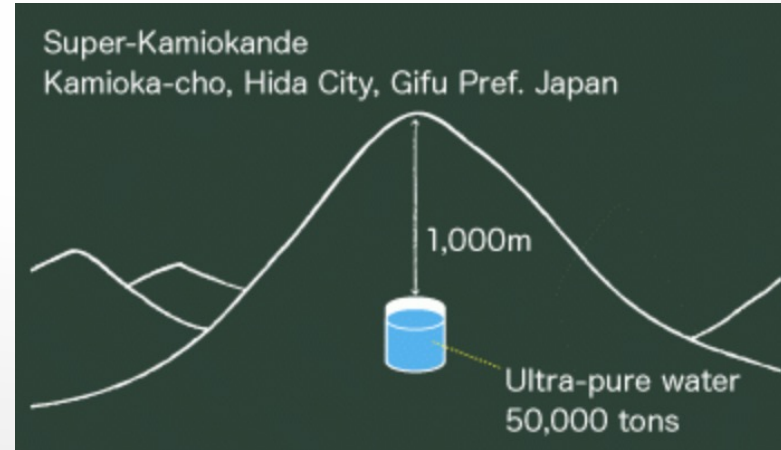
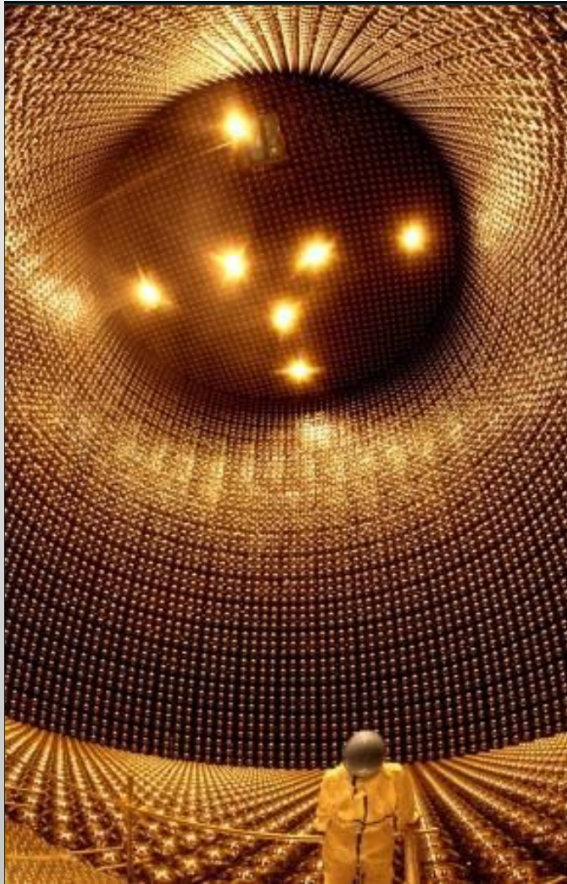
Cosmological and background from old supernovae neutrinos not yet observed!

**Detecting neutrinos is challenging**  
**Very large detectors are needed**

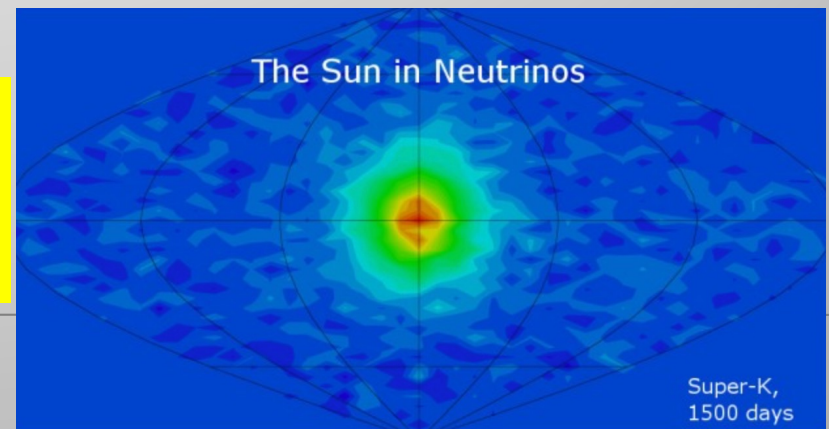




# SuperKamiokande

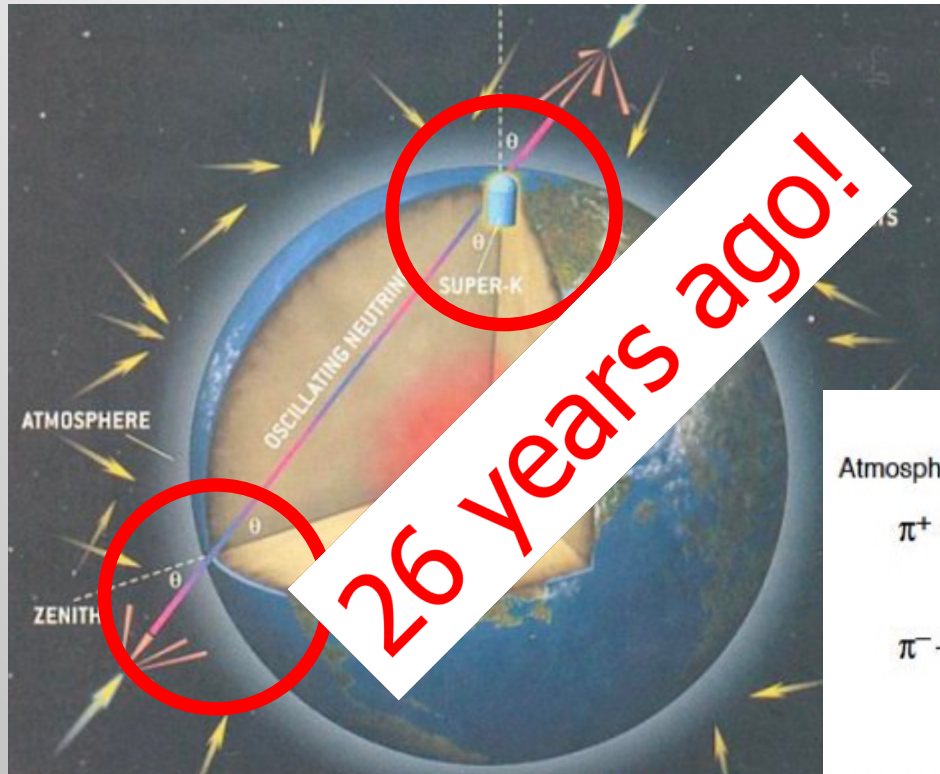


50,000 tons of ultra-pure water, watched by 13,000 photomultipliers

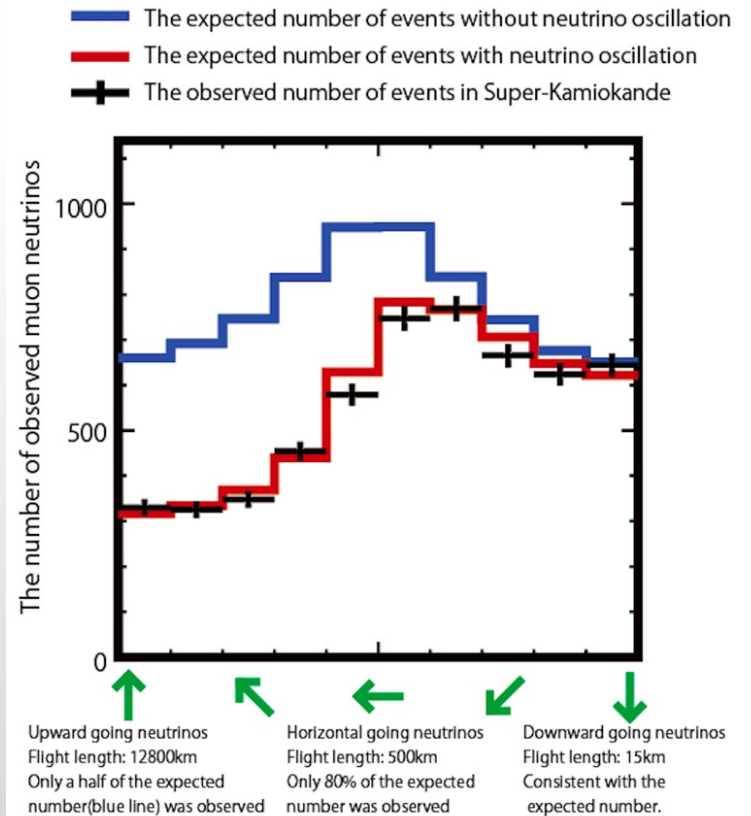
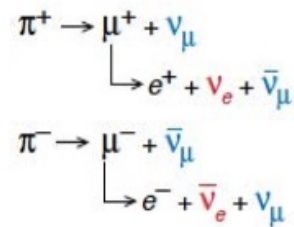




# Neutrinos Oscillate! (1998)



Atmospheric neutrino source



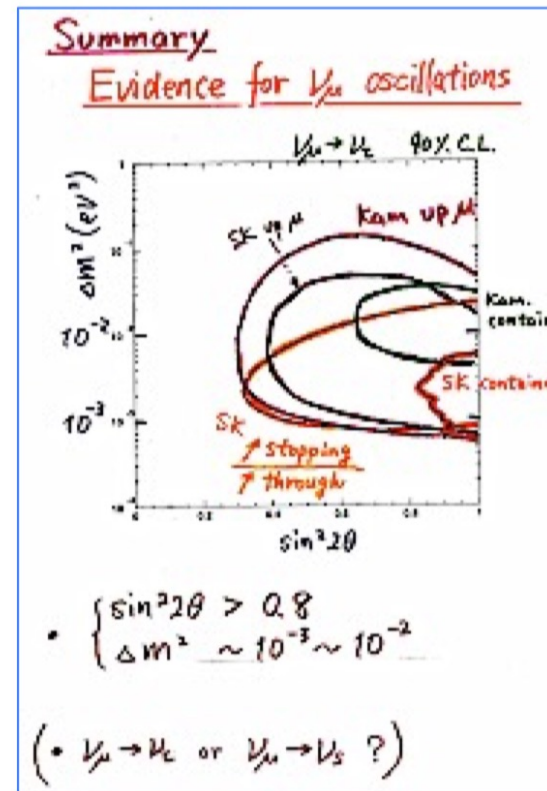
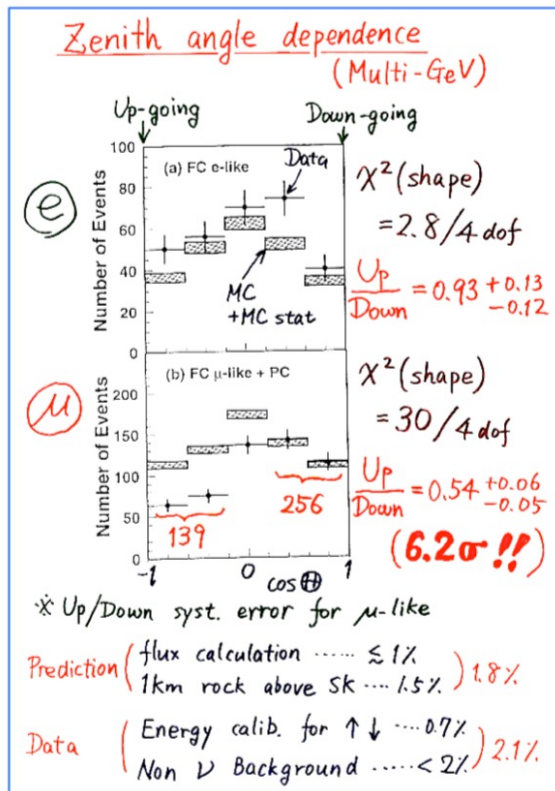
**1998:** The Super-Kamiokande experiment in Japan used a massive underground detector filled with ultrapure water.

They announced **first evidence of neutrino oscillations**. The experiment showed that muon neutrinos disappear as they travel through the earth to the detector. It also offered an explanation for the observed **solar neutrino discrepancy**.

# Neutrinos Oscillate! (1998)

1998: Nobel-worth discovery of oscillation effects

[Takaaki Kajita for Super-Kamiokande, slides at Neutrino '98 conference]



E. Lisi  
 Re-interpretation  
 Workshop  
 17/2/2021

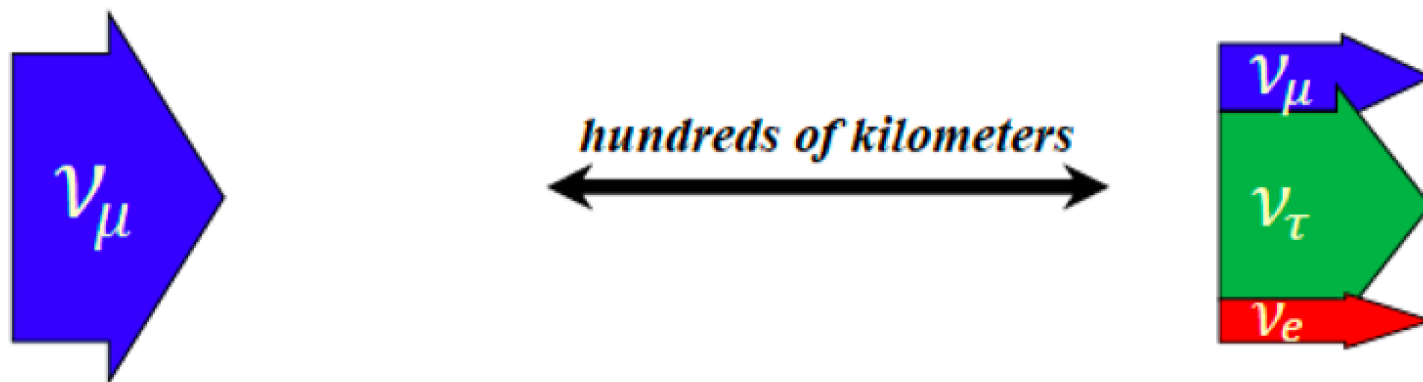
Initial interpretation in terms of simple  $2\nu$  ( $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ ) oscillations

Neutrino Oscillations first firmly established with atmospheric neutrinos



# Neutrino Oscillations

- Important discovery in 1998: neutrino oscillations
- Neutrino oscillation is a quantum mechanical phenomenon whereby a neutrino created with a specific lepton flavor (electron, muon, or tau) can later be measured to have a different flavor. The probability of measuring a particular flavor for a neutrino varies between 3 known states as it propagates through space
- Neutrino oscillations only possible if neutrinos have a non-zero mass! Neutrino oscillations  $\rightarrow$  Neutrinos have mass!!



# Neutrino oscillations

- Each flavour state is a linear combination of mass states:

Neutrino interaction

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_i U_{\alpha i}^* |\nu_i\rangle$$

Neutrino travel through space

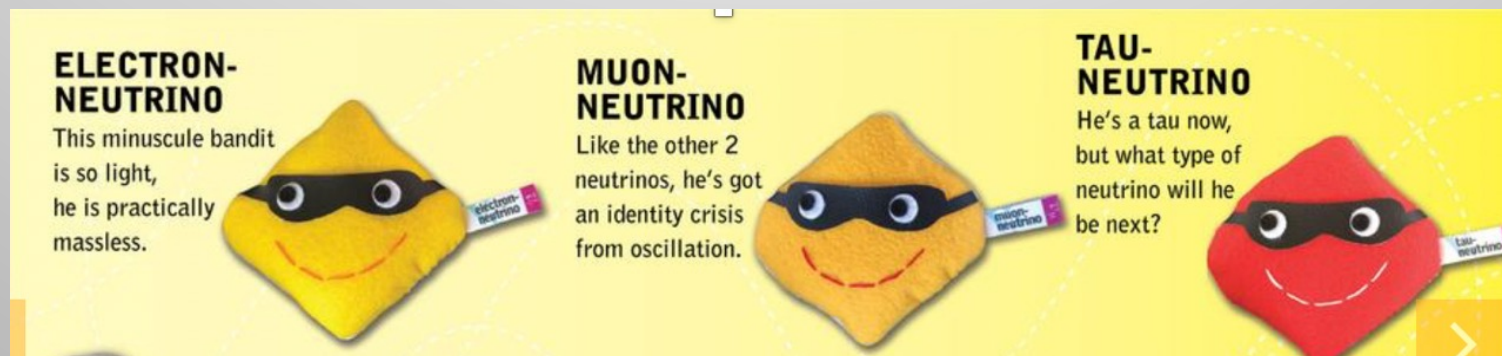
Flavour state  
 $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$

PMNS lepton  
mixing matrix

Mass state  
 $i = 1, 2, 3$

Flavor states

(\* Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata Matrix



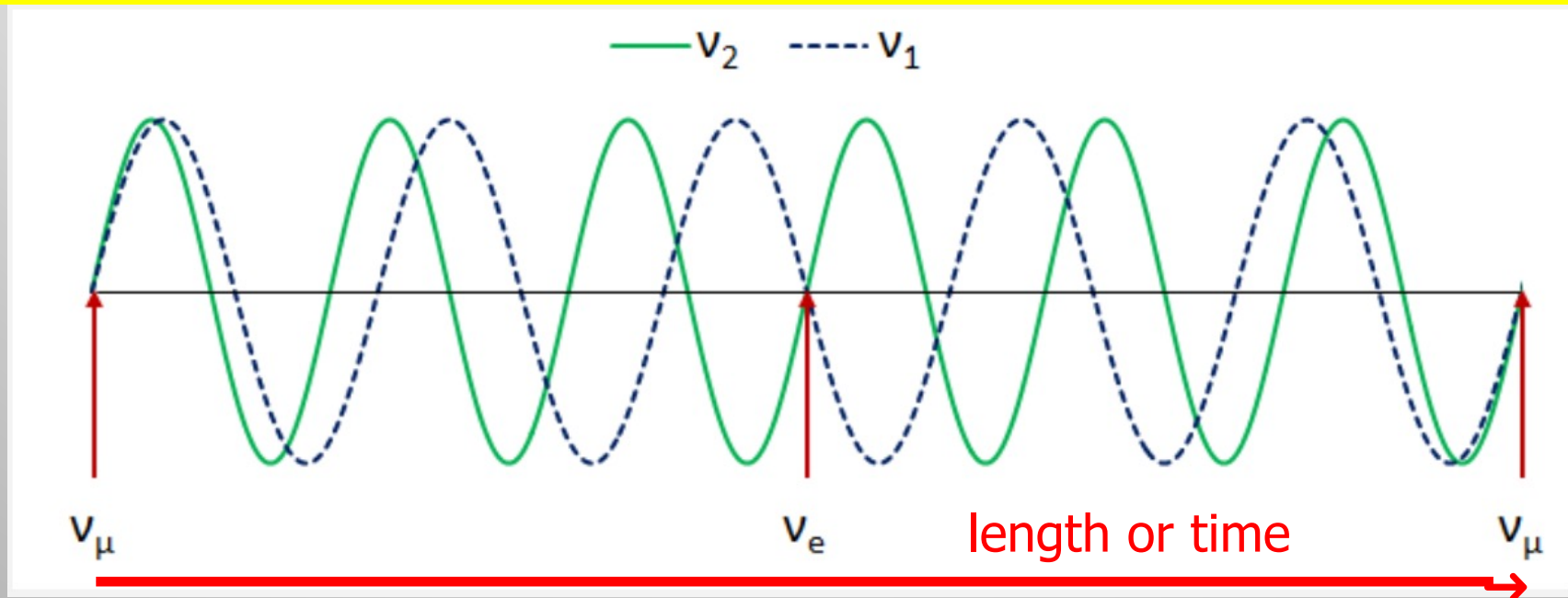


# Neutrino Oscillations

The bizarre world of Quantum Mechanics: particles and waves

Take that the neutrino particle is a hybrid of two mass states  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  as it travels through space the associated waves of these mass states advance at a different rate

Hence the picture looks as follows: (propagation as a superposition of two masses)



The neutrinos change identity (flavor) along the way...!!

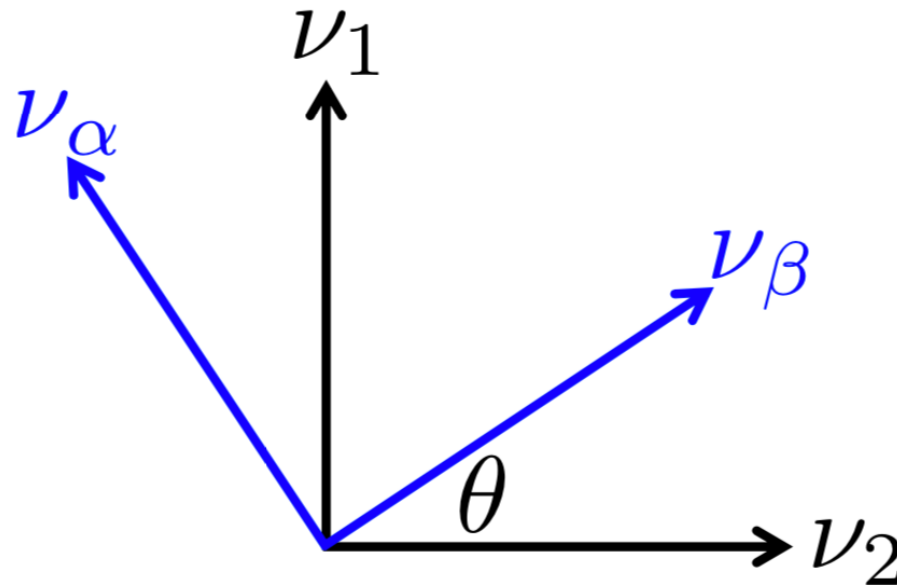
# Two Flavour Oscillations

Flavour states

“Rotation Matrix”

Mass states

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\alpha \\ \nu_\beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$|\nu(t=0)\rangle = |\nu_\alpha\rangle = \cos \theta |\nu_1\rangle + \sin \theta |\nu_2\rangle$$



# Two Flavour Oscillations

$$|\nu(t)\rangle = e^{i(E_1 t - pL)} \cos(\theta) |\nu_1\rangle + e^{i(E_2 t - pL)} \sin(\theta) |\nu_2\rangle \quad \text{plane wave}$$

$$\langle \nu_\beta | \nu(t) \rangle = \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta) (e^{i(E_2 t - pL)} - e^{i(E_1 t - pL)})$$

$$E \approx p + \frac{m_i^2}{2E} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \frac{L}{c} \quad \text{ultra-relativistic}$$

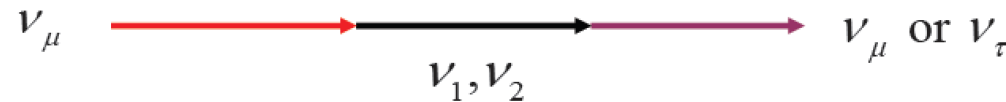
$$\langle \nu_\beta | \nu(t) \rangle = \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta) (e^{i\frac{m_2^2 L}{2E}} - e^{i\frac{m_1^2 L}{2E}}) = \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta) e^{i\frac{\Delta m_i^2 L}{2E}}$$

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \langle \nu_\beta | \nu(t) \rangle^2 = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_i^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

L: distance travelled  
E: energy of the neutrino

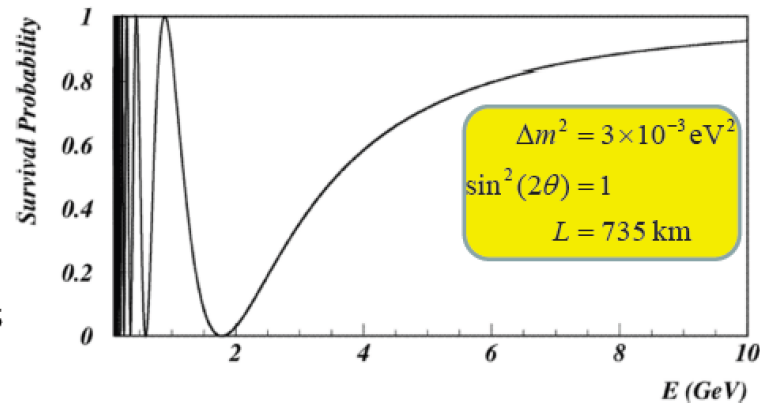
# Neutrino Oscillations

Neutrino oscillations is a pure Quantum Mechanical effect  
The effect depends on the mass difference between flavor states



$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{1.27 \Delta m^2 L}{E_\nu}\right)$$

- Measure prob.
  - Survival
  - Appearance
- Result
  - Mixing angle
  - Mass differences



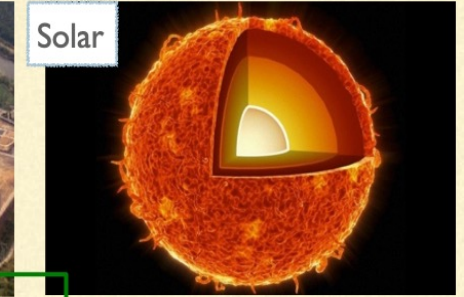
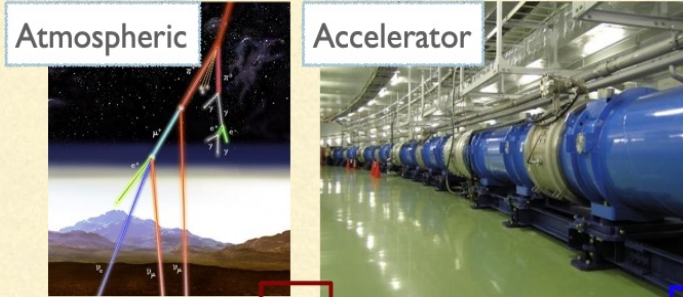
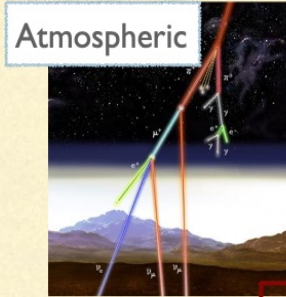
- $\Delta m_{21}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 \approx 8 * 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \Rightarrow$  wavelength of  $\sim 100\text{km}$
- $|\Delta m_{31}^2| \approx |\Delta m_{32}^2| \approx 2 * 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \Rightarrow$  wavelength of  $\sim 1\text{km}$

Absolute mass values? Mass hierarchy?



# Neutrino Oscillations

Neutrino mixing:  
Pontecorvo-Maki-  
Nakagawa-Sakata  
(PMNS) matrix



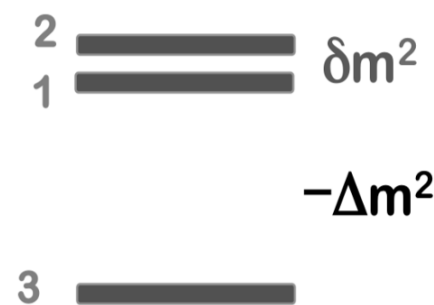
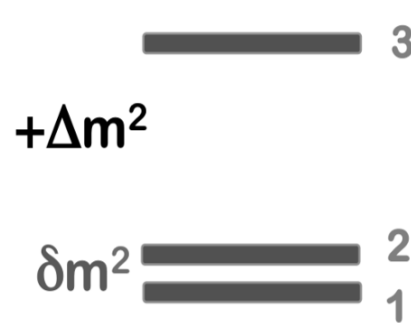
$$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$$

$$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$$

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

“Normal”  
Ordering  
N.O.



“Inverted”  
Ordering  
I.O.

+ interactions in matter  $\rightarrow$  effective terms  $\sim G_F \cdot E \cdot \text{density}$

# Neutrino Oscillations

- Since >20 years an active field of study and data from many experiments collected:
  - Long baseline accelerator experiments (LBL)
  - Short baseline reactor experiments
  - Atmospheric neutrinos
  - Solar Neutrinos
  - Neutrinoless double beta decay experiments

LBL experiments in the US and Japan  
SuperKamiokande, Icecube



# Short Baseline Experiments

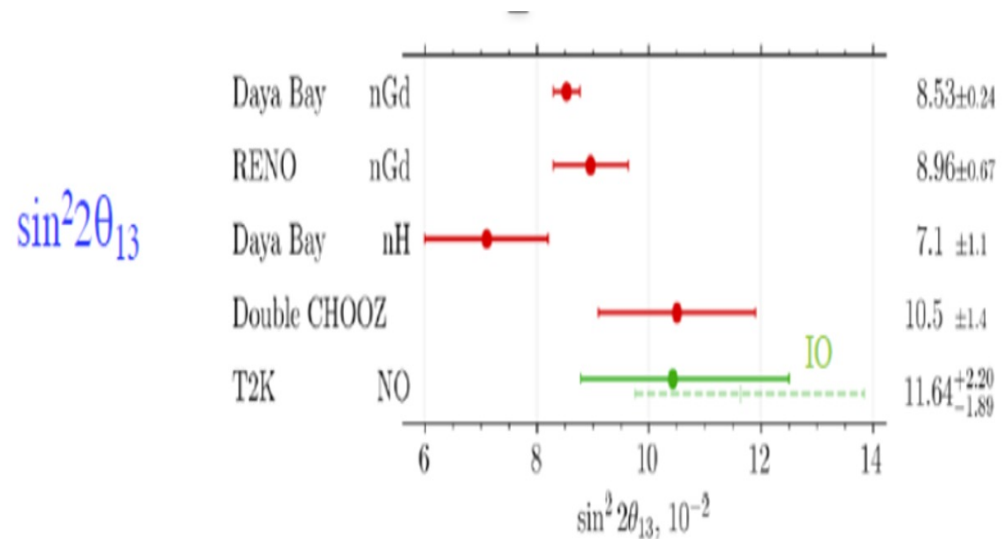
Measuring the mixing angle  $\theta_{13}$ :

**Daya Bay** (China)  
Eight anti-neutrino detectors  
(liquid scintillator based)  
within 2 km of 6 reactors

**RENO** (South Korea)  
Two anti-neutrino detectors  
(liquid scintillator based)  
~up to 1.5 km of 6 reactors

**Double Chooz** (France)  
Two anti-neutrino detectors  
(liquid scintillator based)  
within 0.4-1 km of the reactors

## Results



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- New results from **Daya Bay** nGd capture:

Best-fit results:

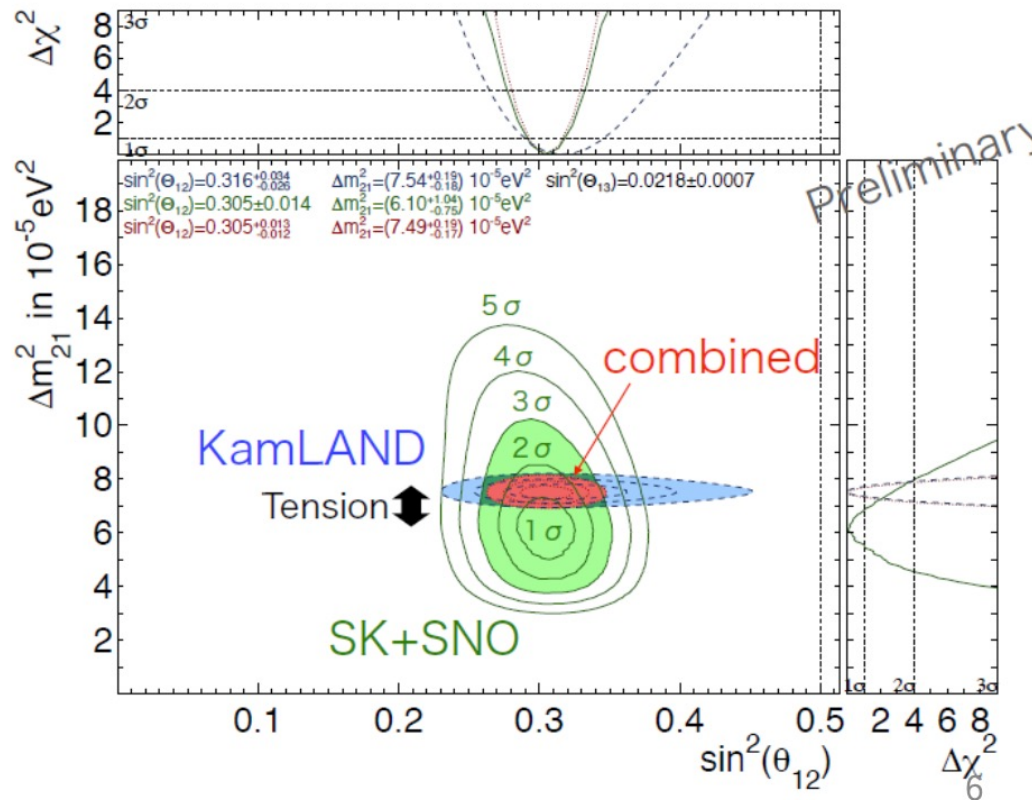
$$\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 559/518$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0851^{+0.0024}_{-0.0024} \quad (2.8\% \text{ precision})$$

Normal hierarchy:  $\Delta m_{32}^2 = +(2.466^{+0.060}_{-0.060}) \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2 \quad (2.4\% \text{ precision})$

Inverted hierarchy:  $\Delta m_{32}^2 = -(2.571^{+0.060}_{-0.060}) \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2 \quad (2.3\% \text{ precision})$

# Solar Neutrino Parameters



$$\sin^2(\theta_{12}) = 0.316^{+0.034}_{-0.026}$$

$$\Delta m^2_{21} = 7.54^{+0.19}_{-0.18} \times 10^{-5} eV^2$$

$$\sin^2(\theta_{12}) = 0.305 \pm 0.014$$

$$\Delta m^2_{21} = 6.10^{+1.04}_{-0.75} \times 10^{-5} eV^2$$

$$\sin^2(\theta_{12}) = 0.305^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$$

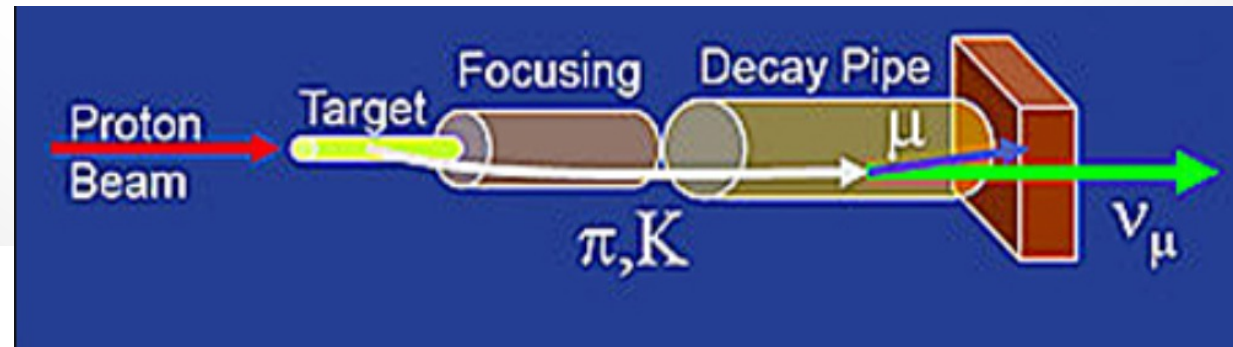
$$\Delta m^2_{21} = 7.49^{+0.19}_{-0.17} \times 10^{-5} eV^2$$

- Tension between solar & reactor result still there, **1.5 $\sigma$** .
- **JUNO** can simultaneously measure  $\Delta m^2_{21}$  and  $\theta_{12}$  using reactor antineutrinos and solar neutrinos with a great precision.
- **HyperK** will improve the solar neutrino result

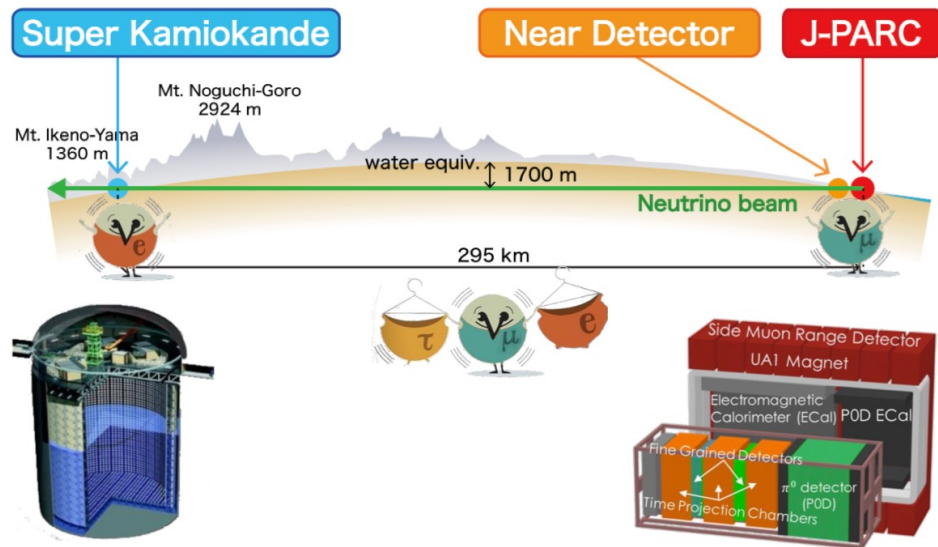


# Accelerator Based Neutrino Experiments

Neutrinos from accelerators

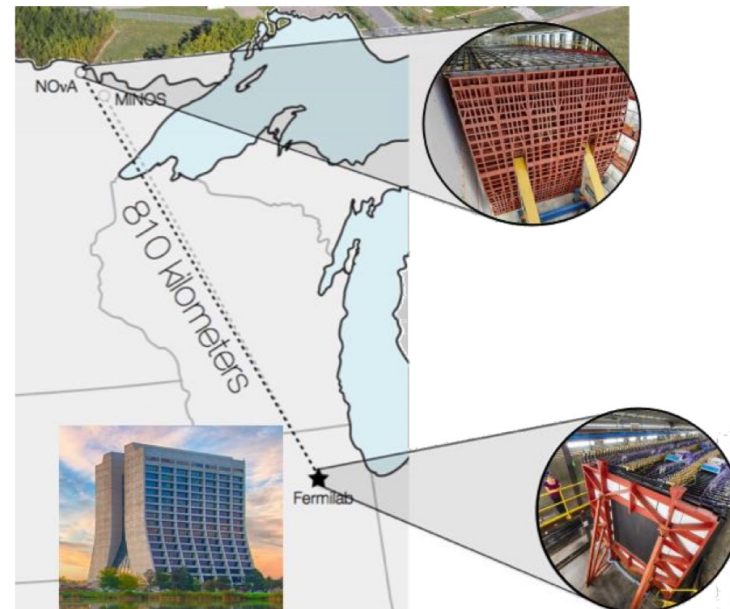


T2K



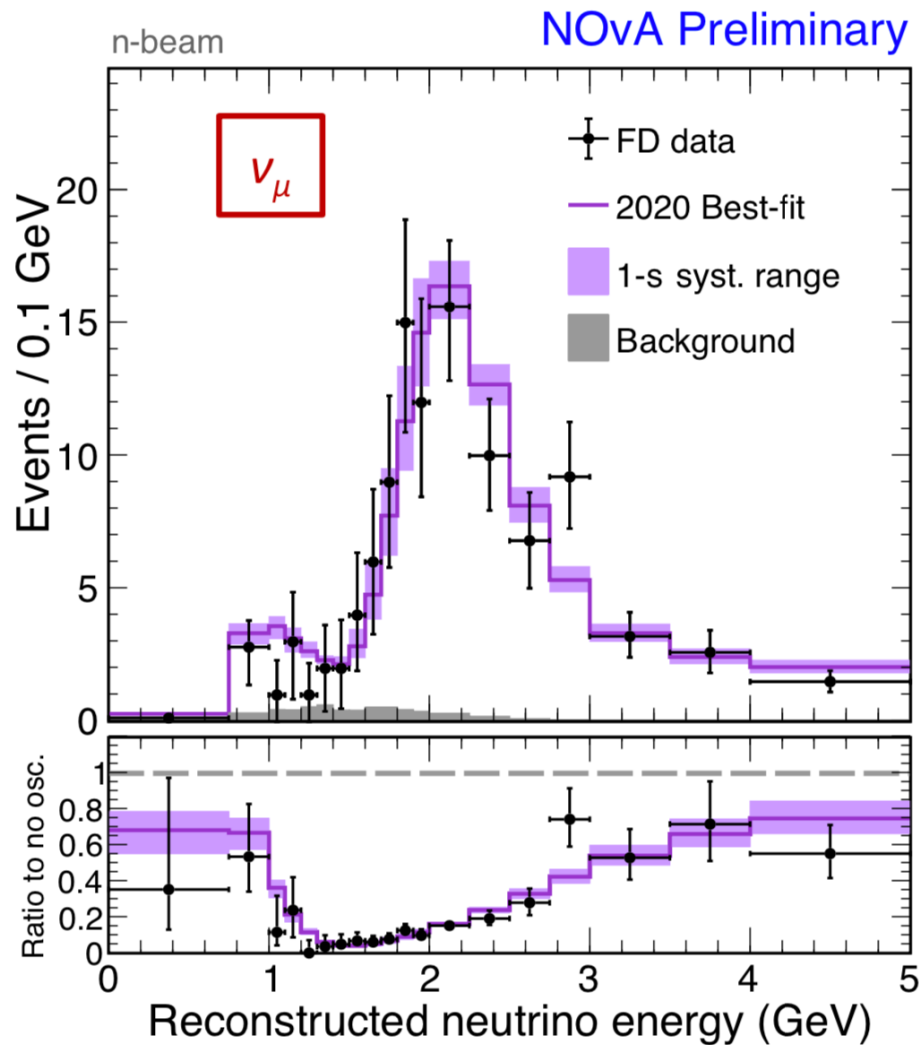
Baseline: 295 km  
 Peak  $E_\nu$ :  $\sim 0.6$  GeV (off-axis)  
 Near detector: ND280 ( $\sim 2$  TC/O targets, TPC tracking, magnetised)  
 Far detector: Super-K, 50 kT, Water-Cherenkov

NOvA

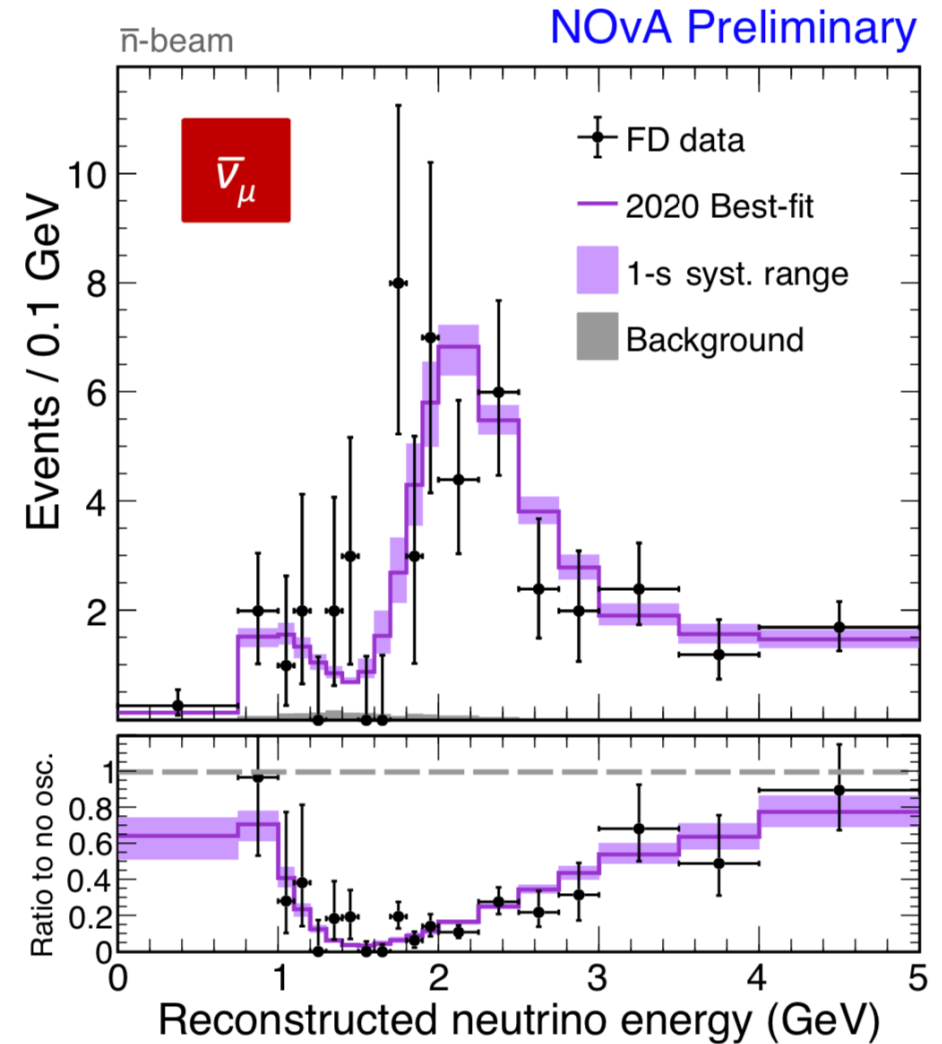


- Baseline: 810 km
- Peak  $E_\nu$ :  $\sim 2$  GeV (off-axis)
- Near detector: Scintillator tracker (300 T)
- Far detector: Scintillator tracker (14 kT)

# Muon Neutrino Disappearance



211 events, 8.2 background



105 events, 2.1 background



# Open Questions: CP Violation?

Do neutrinos and anti-neutrinos oscillate differently ?

## Charge-Parity (CP) violation

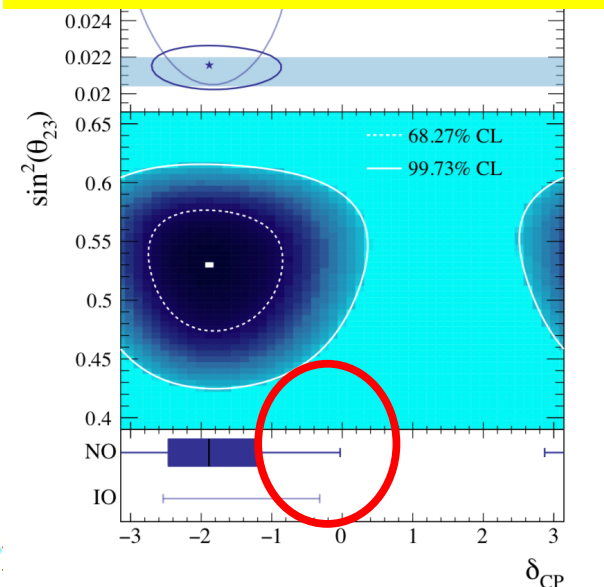
New source of *CP* violation required to explain baryon asymmetry of universe

*part-per-billion level of matter/antimatter asymmetry in early universe*

Neutrino *CPv* allowed in  $\nu$ SM, but not yet observed  
...due so far to the experimental challenge, not physics!

Leptogenesis<sup>1</sup> is a workable solution for the baryon asymmetry, but need to first find *any* leptonic (neutr

2020 news: T2K exp.  
 $\sin\delta = 0$  excluded at  $3\sigma$  !!  
-> Appeared in Nature



★  $\sin\delta \neq 0$  ?  
*Leptonic CP violation?*

Neutrinos could be the key to one of the most important questions today:  
Where is the anti-matter in our Universe?

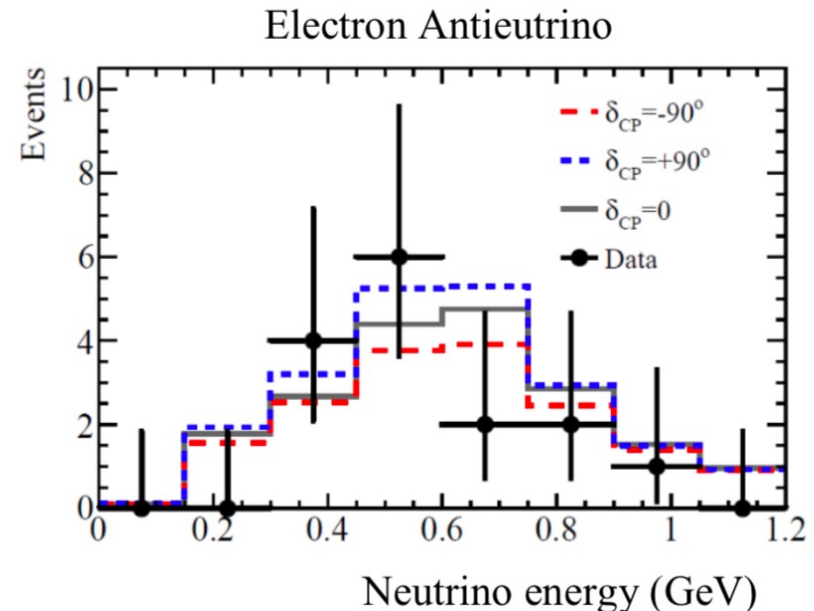
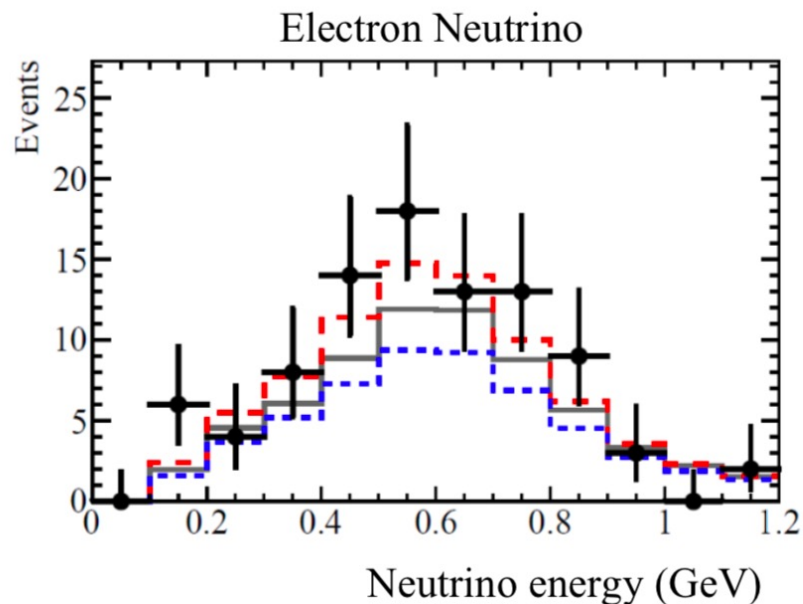
<sup>1</sup> M. Fukugita and T. Yanagida (1986); rich history since then.

# CP Violation: T2K Measurement

Do neutrinos and anti-neutrinos oscillate differently ?

Measured versus expected electron-(anti)neutrino events in SK as function of the assumed CP- angle

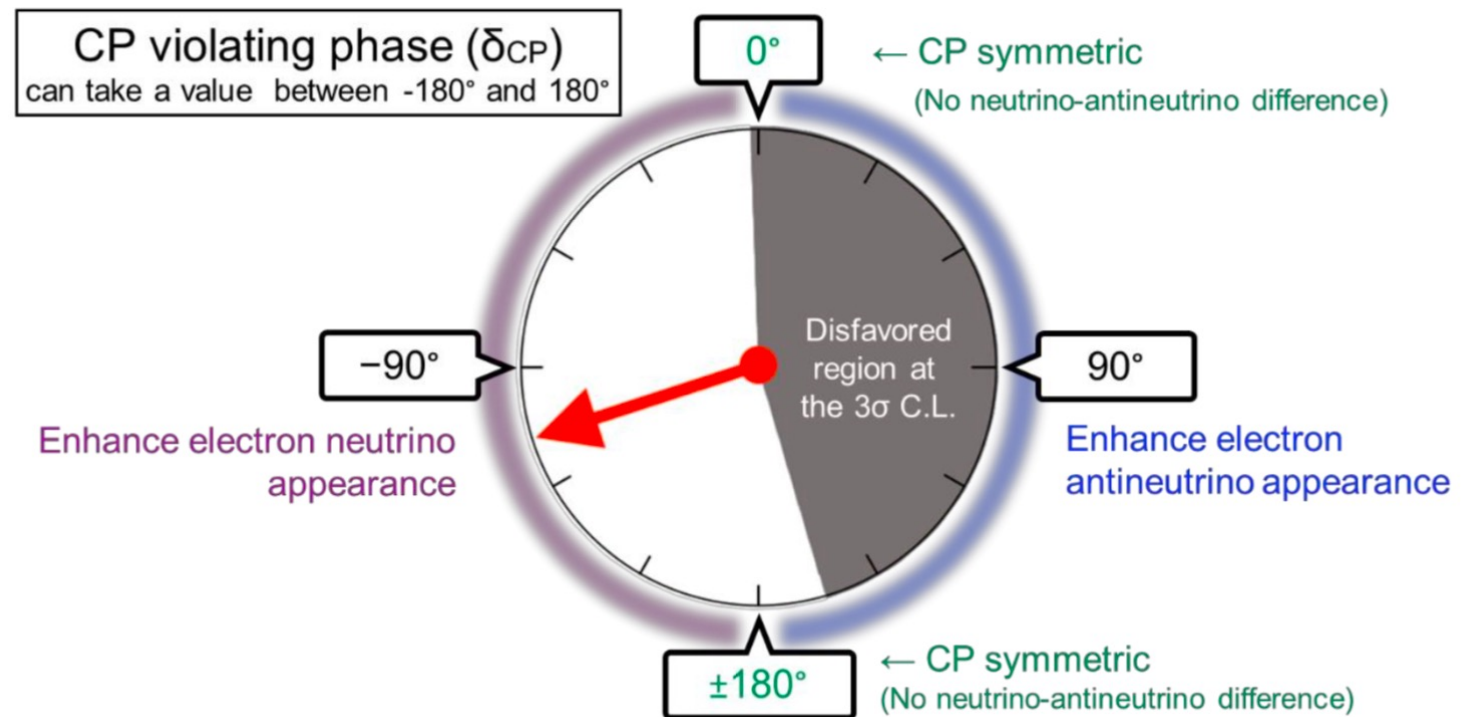
	Expected If $\delta=0$	Expectation	
		$\delta_{CP} = -90^\circ$	$\delta_{CP} = +90^\circ$
Electron neutrino	70	82	56
Electron antineutrino	20	17	22



# CP Violation: T2K Result

Nature Magazine April 16/4/2020  
and arXiv:: 1910.03887

Determination of  $\delta_{CP}$   
Appearance of  $\nu_e$  events



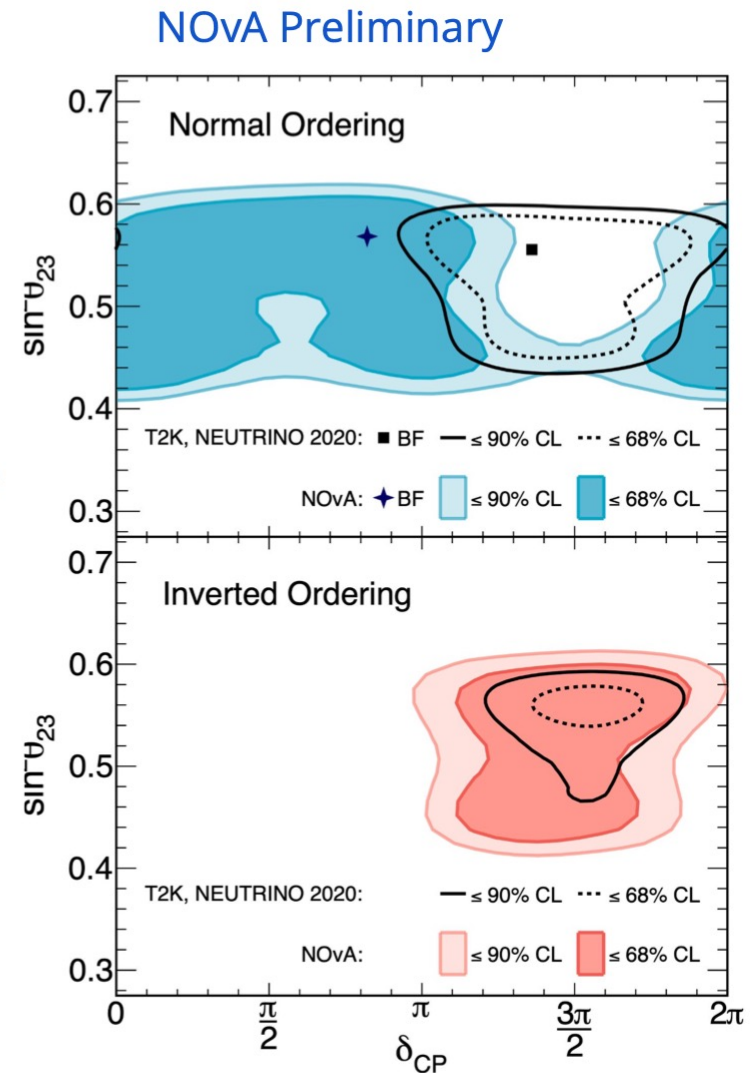
The gray region is disfavored by 99.7% ( $3\sigma$ ) CL  
The values 0 and 180 degrees are disfavoured at 95% CL



# NOvA Results

## Comparison with T2K

- Frequentist contours.
- Some tension between preferred regions for the Normal Ordering.
  - Agree on the preferred region in the Inverted Ordering.
- A joint fit of the data from the two experiments is needed to properly quantify consistency.
  - Significant progress made on a joint-fit → coming this year!



NOvA/T2K will continue to take data till 2026/2027  
-> double the statistics of present analyses, reduce systematics

# Recent Global Neutrino Data Fits

## Recent 3-neutrino global analysis

Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz (NuFIT),  
2111.03086

NuFIT group

	Normal Ordering (Best Fit)		Inverted Ordering ( $\Delta\chi^2 = 7.0$ )	
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.304^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	0.269 → 0.343	$0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	0.269 → 0.343
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.45^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$	31.27 → 35.87	$33.45^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	31.27 → 35.87
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.450^{+0.019}_{-0.016}$	0.408 → 0.603	$0.570^{+0.016}_{-0.022}$	0.410 → 0.613
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$42.1^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$	39.7 → 50.9	$49.0^{+0.9}_{-1.3}$	39.8 → 51.6
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.02246^{+0.00062}_{-0.00062}$	0.02060 → 0.02435	$0.02241^{+0.00074}_{-0.00062}$	0.02055 → 0.02457
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.62^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$	8.25 → 8.98	$8.61^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$	8.24 → 9.02
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$230^{+36}_{-25}$	144 → 350	$278^{+22}_{-30}$	194 → 345
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.82 → 8.04	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.82 → 8.04
$\frac{\Delta m_{3\ell}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$+2.510^{+0.027}_{-0.027}$	+2.430 → +2.593	$-2.490^{+0.026}_{-0.028}$	-2.574 → -2.410

with SK atmospheric data

- Hints for  $\theta_{23} \neq \pi/4$
- Mild hints for a Dirac CP phase  $\delta$
- Mild hint in favor of Normal Ordering

# Neutrino Oscillations

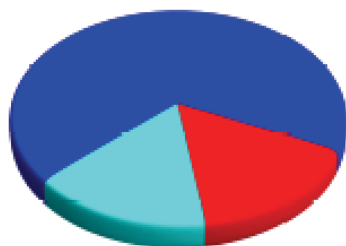
## Neutrino Mass EigenStates or Propagation States:

$$\text{Propagator } \nu_j \rightarrow \nu_k = \delta_{jk} e^{-i \left( \frac{m_j^2 L}{2E\nu} \right)}$$



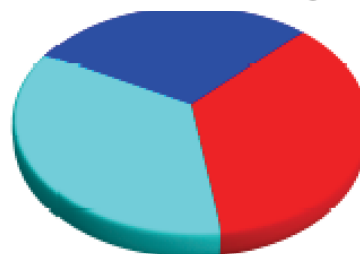
$\nu_1$

most  $\nu_e$  68%



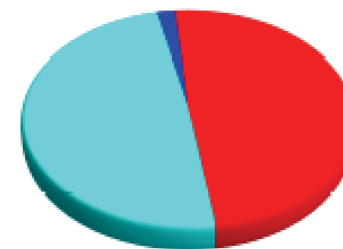
$\nu_2$

30%  $\nu_e$



$\nu_3$

least  $\nu_e$  2%



$\nu_e =$  

Solar Exp, SNO  
KamiLAND  
Daya Bay, RENO, ...

$\nu_\mu =$  

SuperK, K2K, T2K  
MINOS, NOvA  
ICECUBE

$\nu_\tau =$  

Unitarity  
SK, Opera  
ICECUBE ?



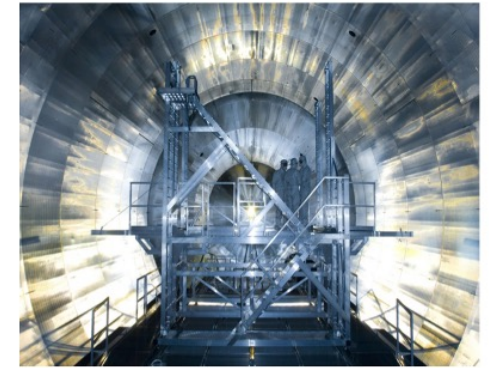
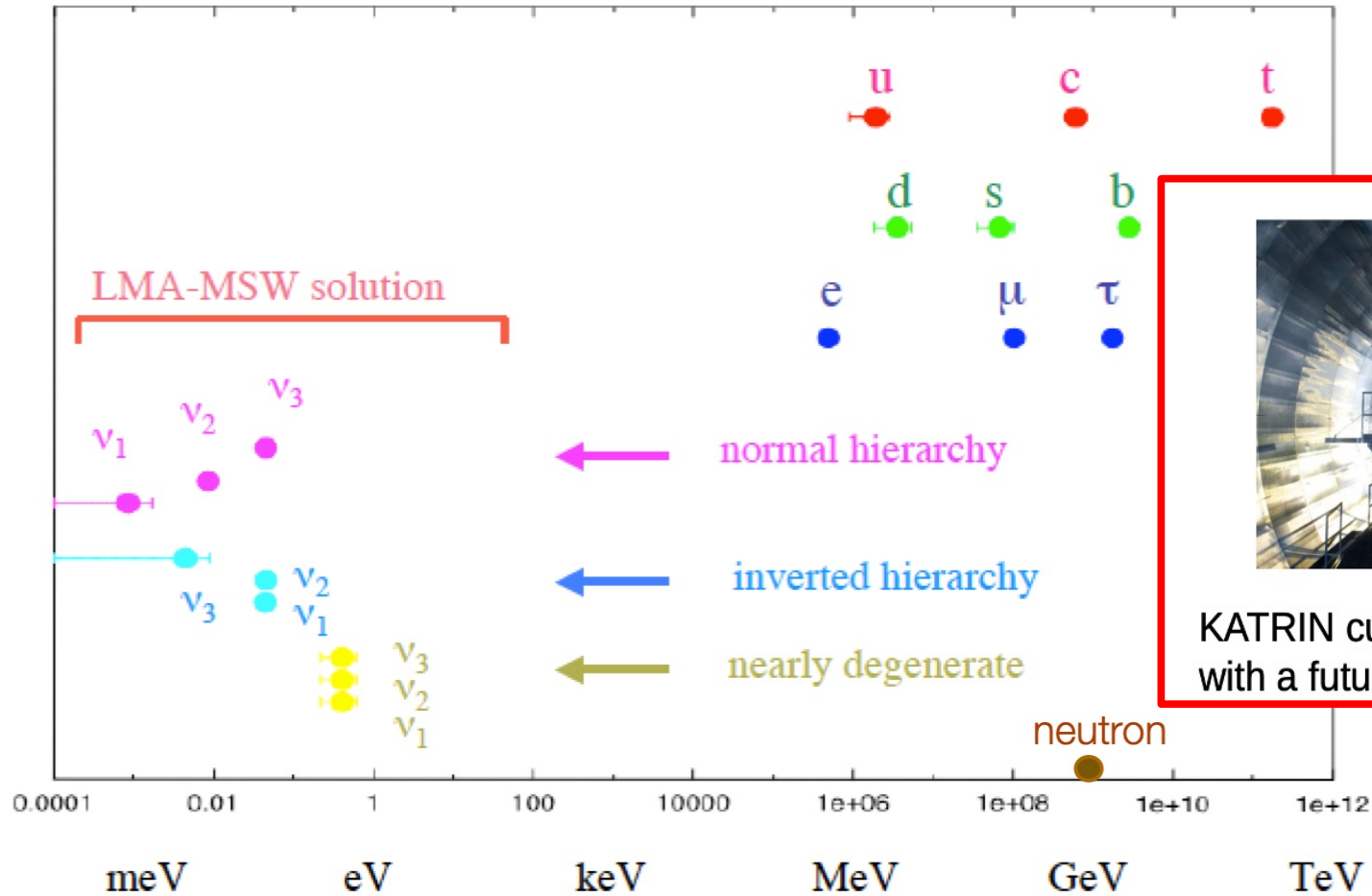
# Neutrino Properties

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# Neutrino Mass

The smallness of the neutrino mass

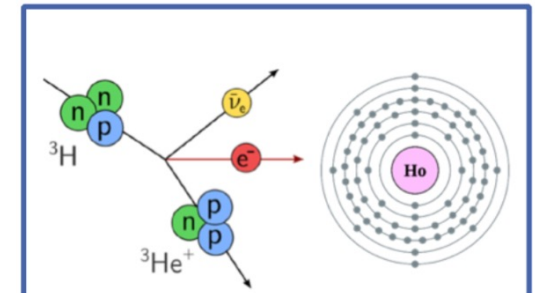
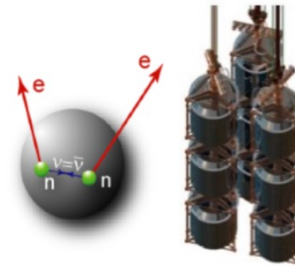
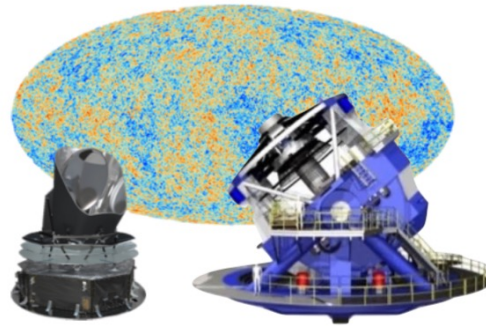
$$m_\nu \ll m_{e, u, d}$$



KATRIN current limit is 0.8eV with a future sensitivity of 0.2eV

# Neutrino Mass Measurements

## Complementary paths to the $\nu$ mass scale

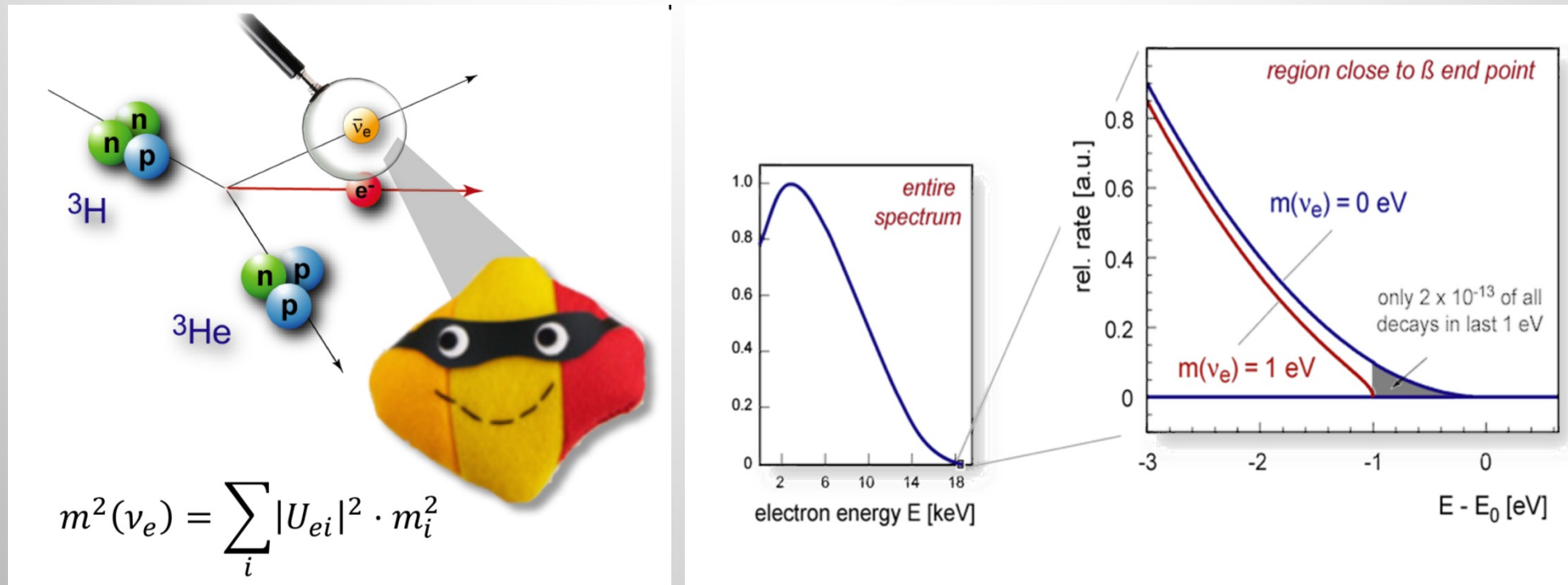


	Cosmology	Search for $0\nu\beta\beta$	Kinematics of weak decays
<b>Method</b>	Structure of Universe at early and evolved stages	$\beta\beta$ -decay of $^{76}\text{Ge}$ , $^{130}\text{Te}$ , $^{136}\text{Xe}$ , ...	$\beta$ -decay of $^3\text{H}$ , EC of $^{163}\text{Ho}$
<b>Observable</b>	$M_\nu = \sum_i m_i$	$m_{\beta\beta}^2 = \left  \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i \right ^2$	$m_\beta^2 = \sum_i  U_{ei} ^2 m_i^2$
<b>Model assumptions</b>	Multi-parameter cosmological model ( $\Lambda\text{CDM}$ )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Majorana nature of neutrinos?</li> <li>- No BSM contributions other than <math>m(\nu)</math>?</li> </ul>	Only kinematics; <b>“direct”</b> measurement



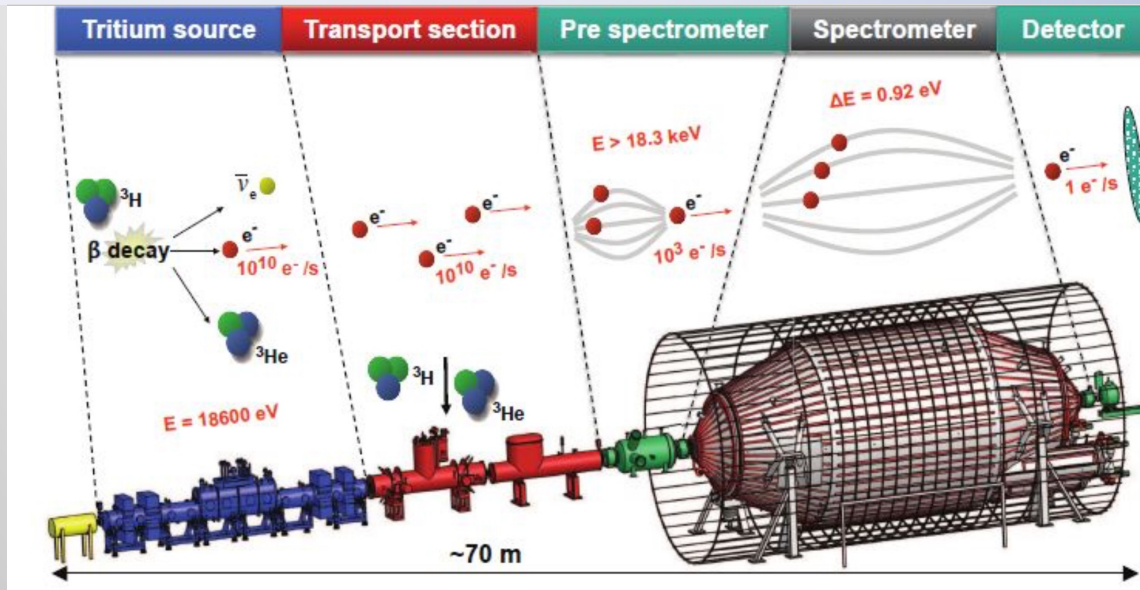
# Neutrino Mass Measurements

The KATRIN experiment: endpoint measurement of tritium decay



What is measured really in this experiment is the effective electron anti-neutrino mass defined by  $m^2(\nu_e) = \sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 \cdot m_i^2$  with  $U_{ei}$  the PMNS mixing elements

# KATRIN Experiment: the Mass of $\nu_e$



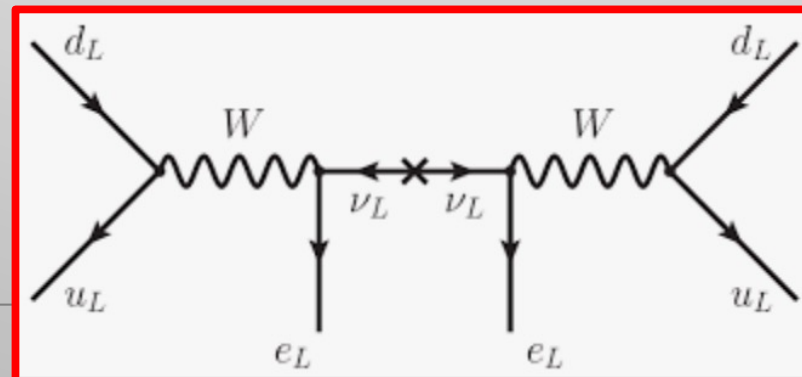
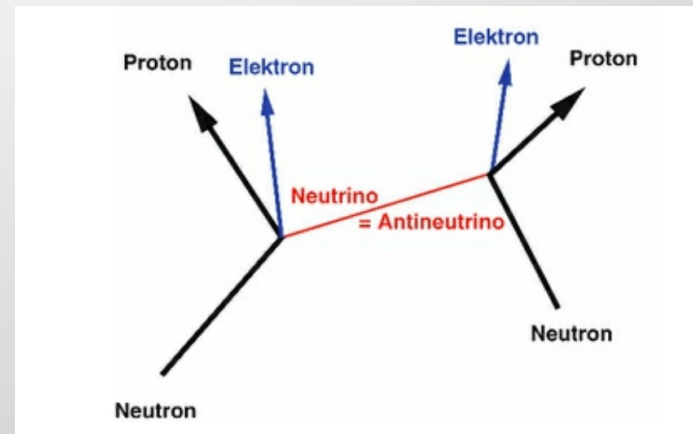
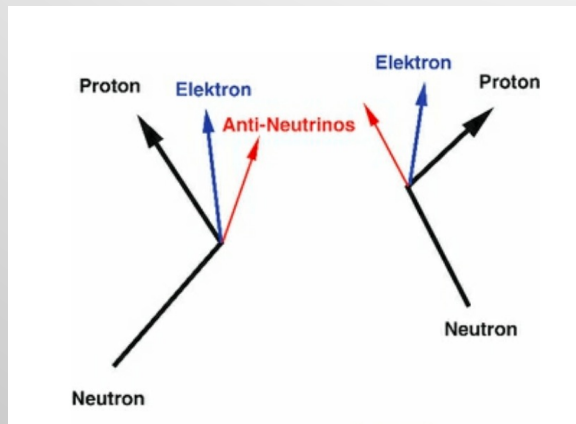
The Karlsruhe TRITium Neutrino experiment (KATRIN) is designed to measure the mass up to projected sensitivity of  $0.2 \text{ eV}$ . To achieve this, KATRIN will perform high-precision spectroscopy of the endpoint region of the tritium beta-decay spectrum.

Recent result  $M_{\nu_e} < 0.8 \text{ eV}$  (May 2021)



# Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay

- Are neutrinos their own antiparticle? We do not know this yet!
- The highly anticipated experimental test is the observation of neutrino-less double beta decay, ie two simultaneous beta-decays within one nucleons, without neutrino emission
- This would be the first evidence of lepton number violation!



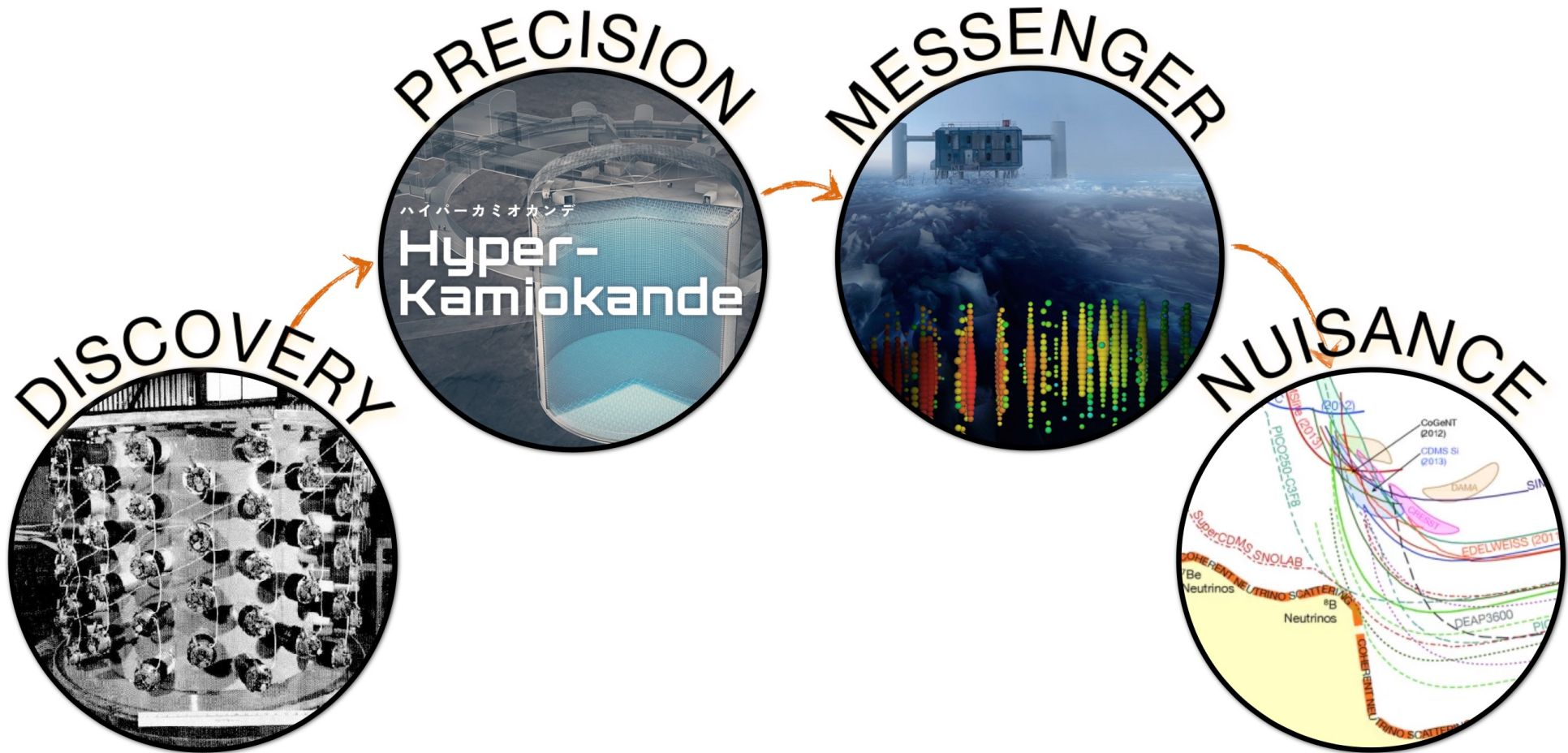
So far no signal yet... ☹️



# **Near Future Neutrino Experiments**

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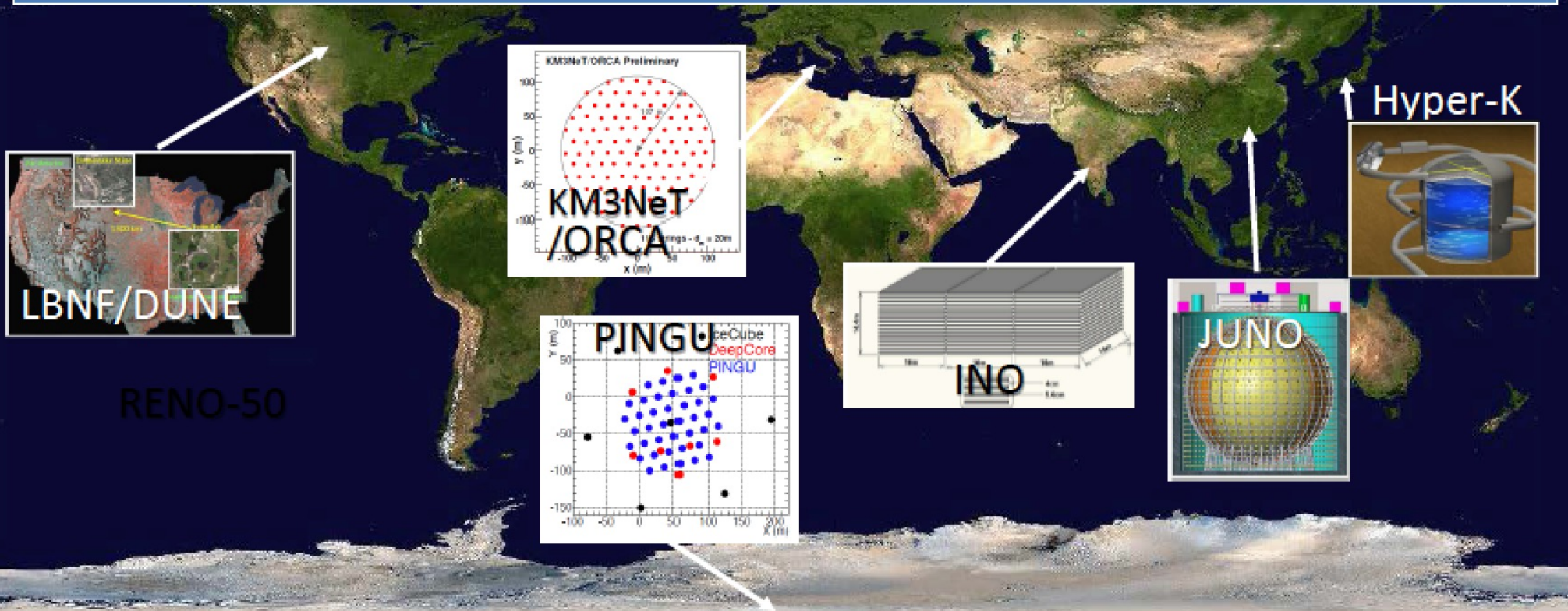
# Ongoing Neutrino History



# Future Neutrino Experiments

Eg. experiments that will contribute to the mass ordering question

We would like to be convinced the neutrino mass ordering by consistent results from several different technologies/methods with  $> 3 \sigma$  CL from each exp.



JUNO in 2024

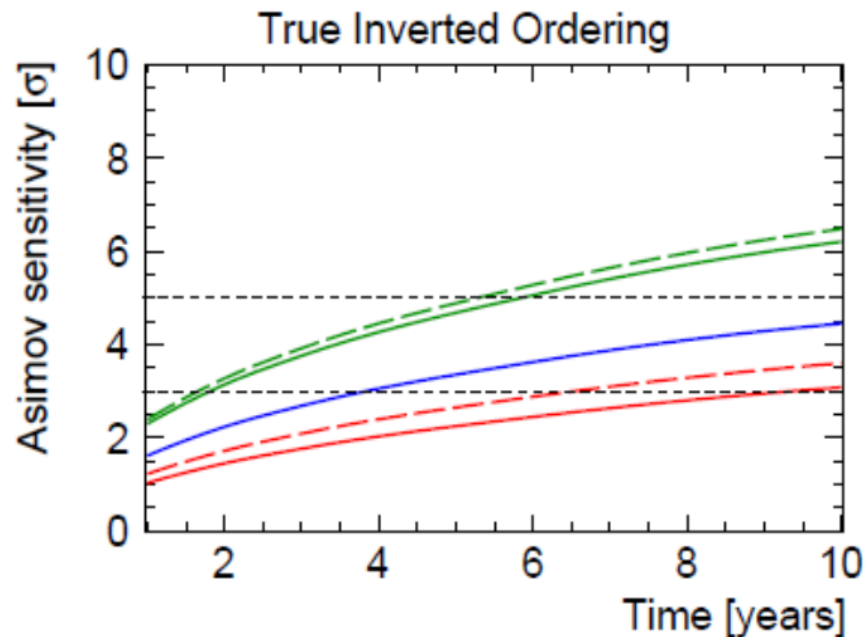
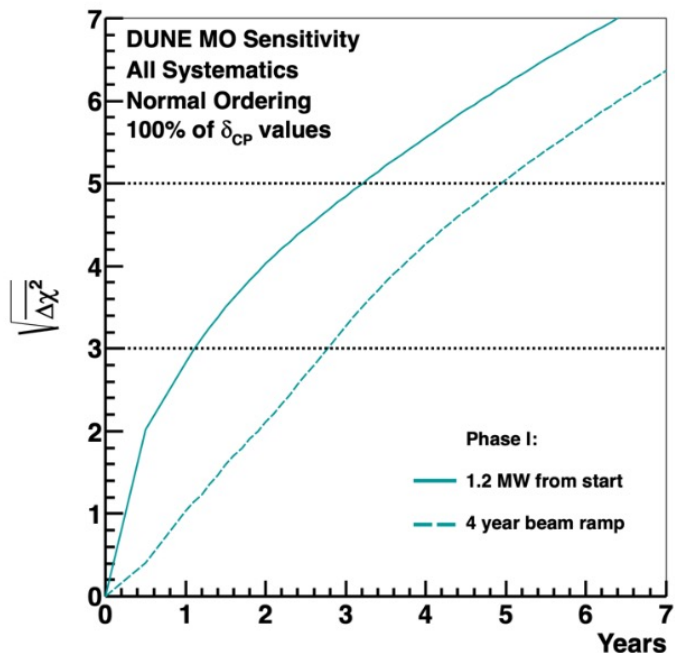
T2HK/DUNE start in 2027-2030



# Mass Hierarchy/Ordering

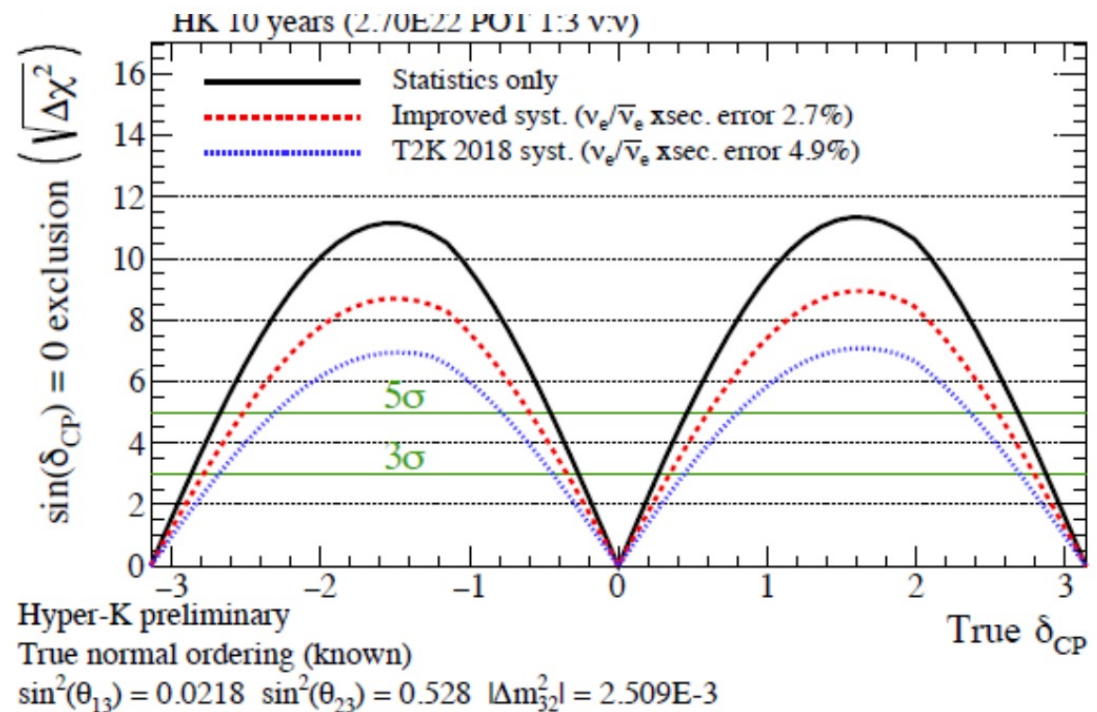
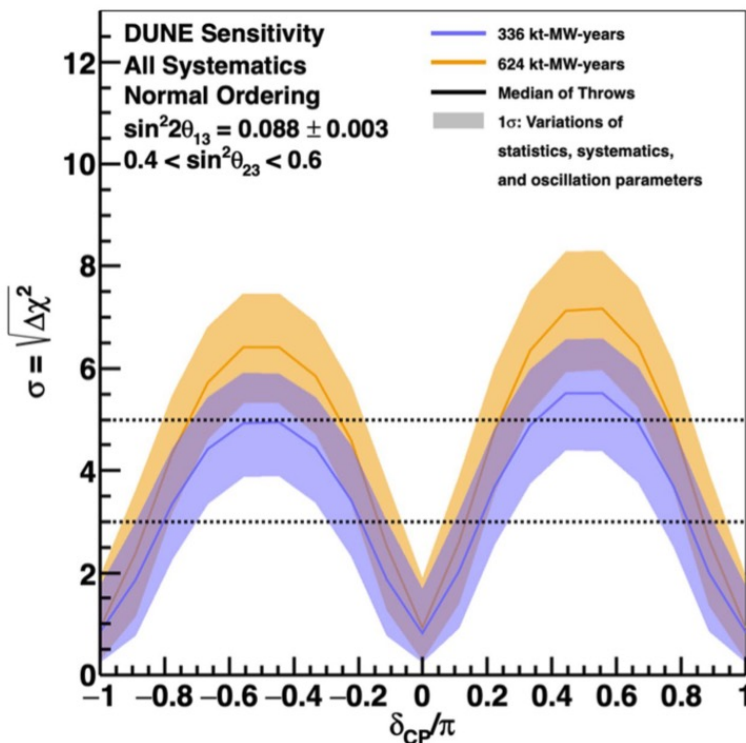
- No concrete evidence of MO from individual experiment (T2K, Nova and SuperK)
- Global fit seems slightly prefer NO(<math>3\sigma</math>)
- Definite answer will come from DUNE, JUNO, HyperK, ORCA and Icecube.

## DUNE



# CP Phase

- $\sim 270^\circ$  ( $-90^\circ$ ) seems slightly favored
- Combined analysis may give more preference, but not stable yet
- **DUNE & HyperK** can give a more definite answer
- Further improvement may come from **KNO**, **ESSnuSB**, and **THEIA**

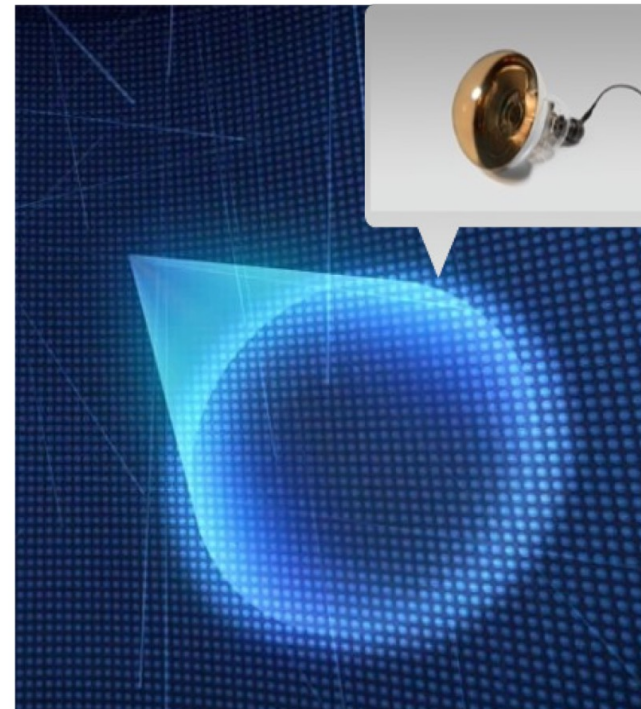
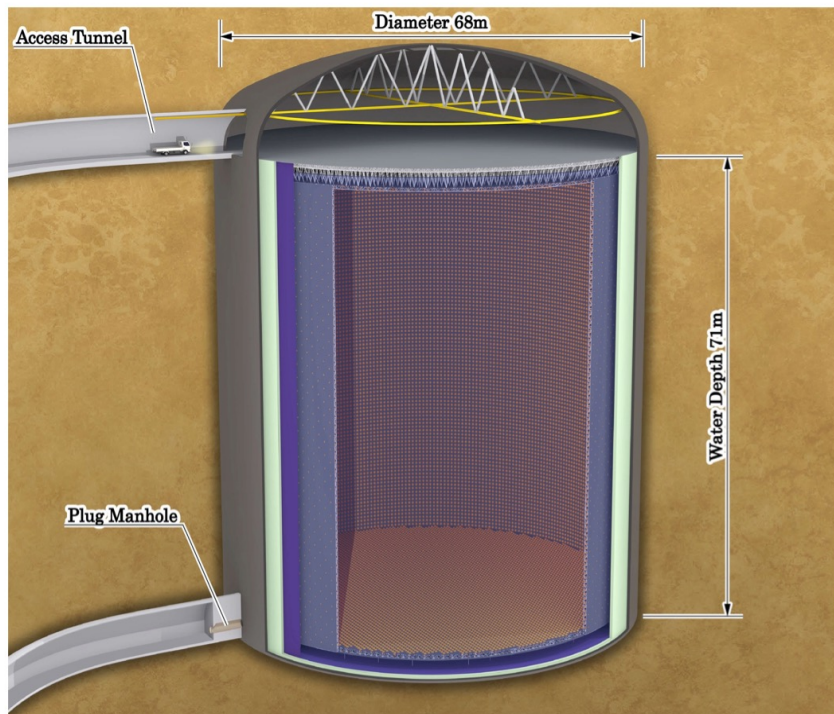


# The T2HK Experiment

## Hyper-Kamiokande Detector



- ❑ The Hyper-Kamiokande detector is the next generation water Cherenkov detector in Kamioka, Japan, with an accelerator and near detector complex at J-PARC in Tokai
- ❑ Size: 258 kton, with fiducial mass  $\sim 8$  times larger than Super-K,
- ❑ Baseline: 20,000 50-cm photomultiplier tubes (PMT),  $\sim 2,000$  multi-PMT modules and 7,200 outer detector 8-cm PMTs with wavelength shifting (WLS) panels

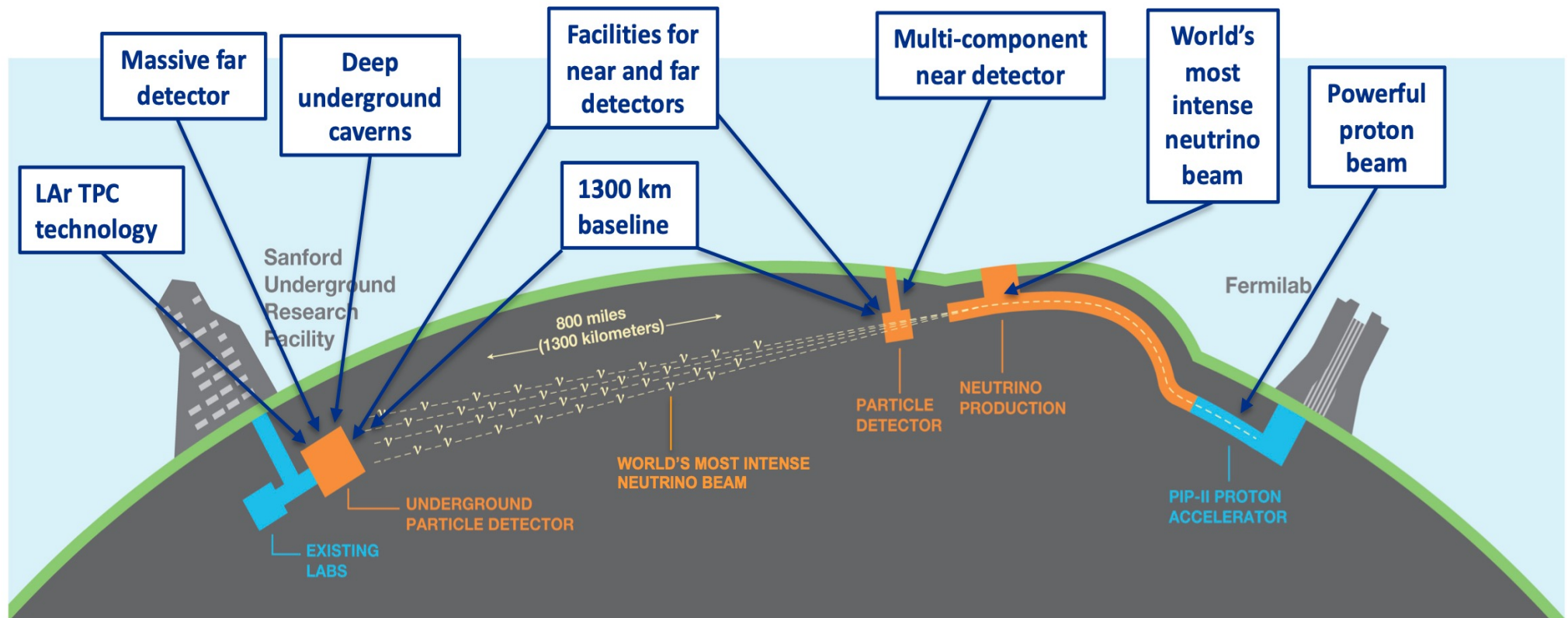




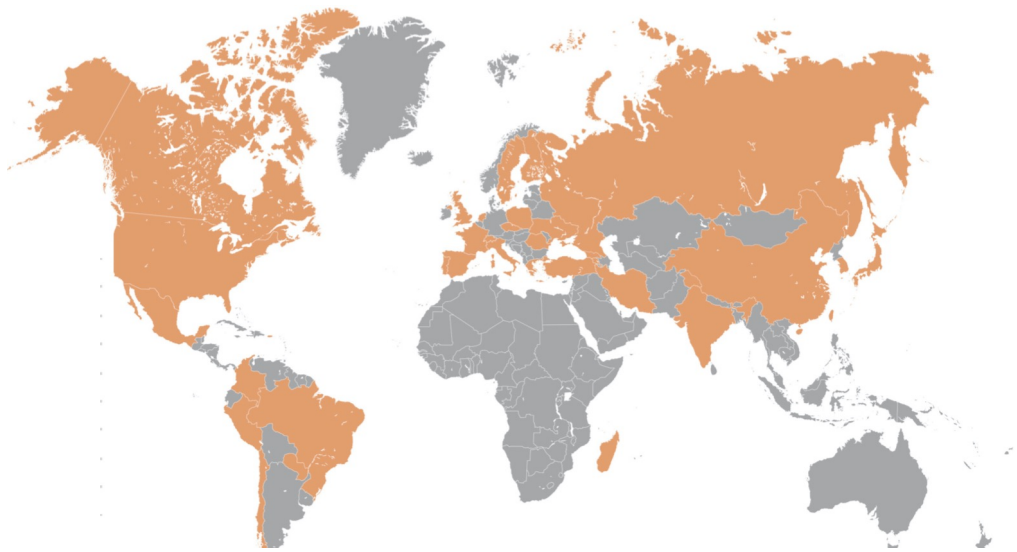
# LBNF/DUNE

## LBNF/DUNE

- Unambiguous, high precision measurements of  $\Delta m^2_{32}$ ,  $\delta_{CP}$ ,  $\sin^2\theta_{23}$ ,  $\sin^22\theta_{13}$  in a single experiment
- Discovery sensitivity to CP violation, mass ordering,  $\theta_{23}$  octant over a wide range of parameter values
- Sensitivity to MeV-scale neutrinos, such as from a galactic supernova burst
- Low backgrounds for sensitivity to BSM physics including baryon number violation



# DUNE – a global collaboration



- 1400+ collaborators from
  - 200+ institutions in
  - 31 countries + CERN
- Still more groups joining

**DUNE Jan 2023**

Collaboration meeting at CERN

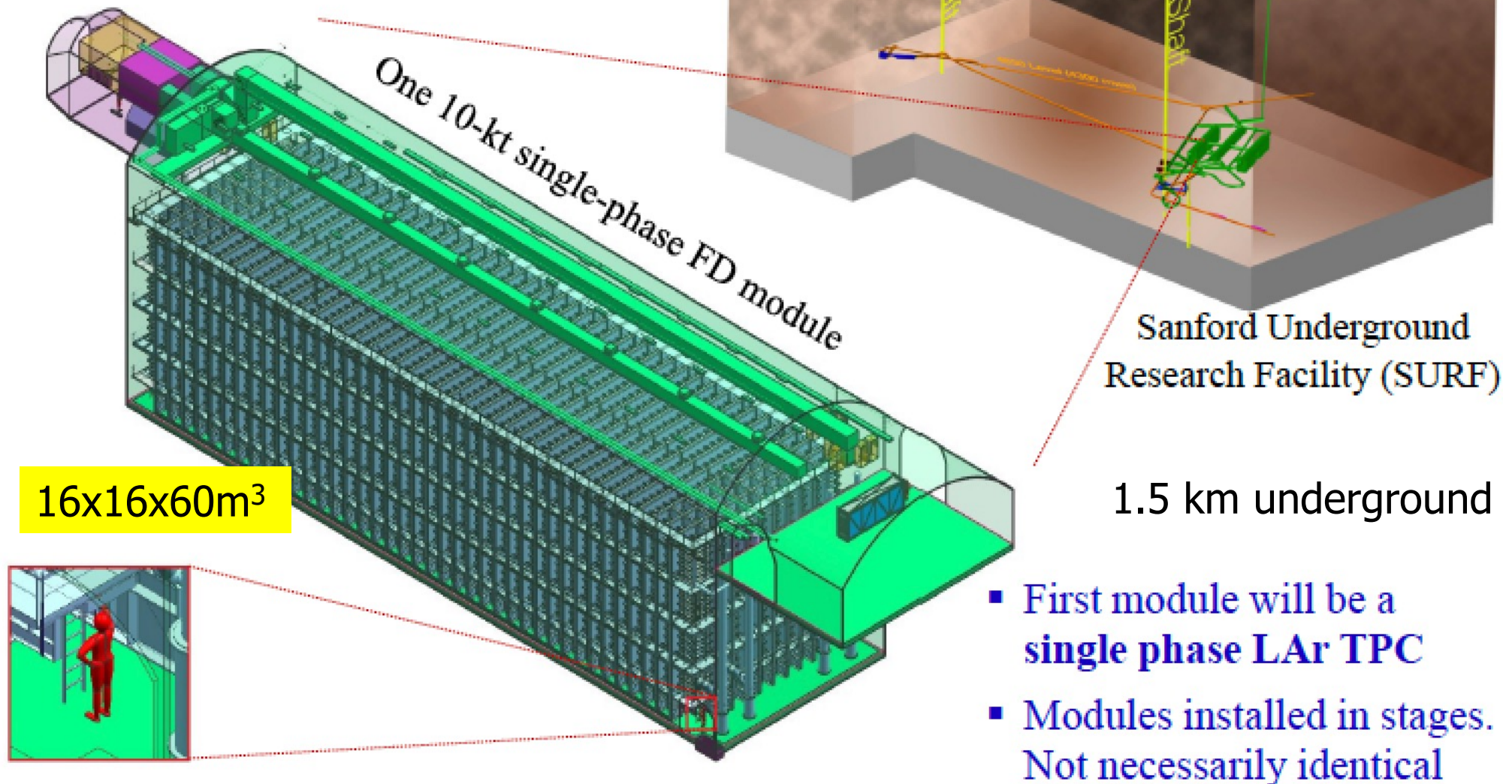


**Total participants : 581 In person: 354 (largest on record) Zoom:227**



# DUNE Far Detector

- 40-kt (fiducial) LAr TPC
- Installed as four 10-kt modules at 4850' level of SURF



- First module will be a **single phase LAr TPC**
- Modules installed in stages. Not necessarily identical



# Liquid Argon Time Projection Chamber

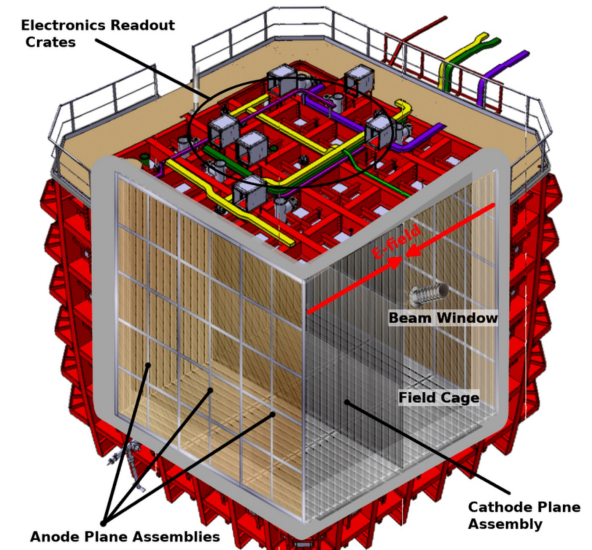
The 'electronic' bubble chamber for neutrino experiments



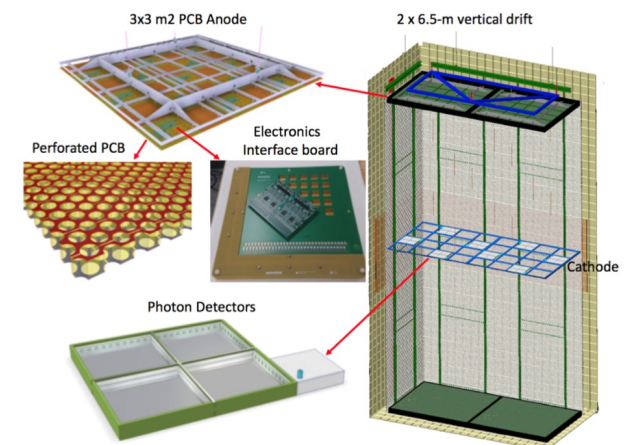
# The CERN Neutrino Platform

CERN strongly involved in  
DUNE Far Detector R&D

## FD1 Horizontal Drift



## FD2 vertical Drift (NEW)

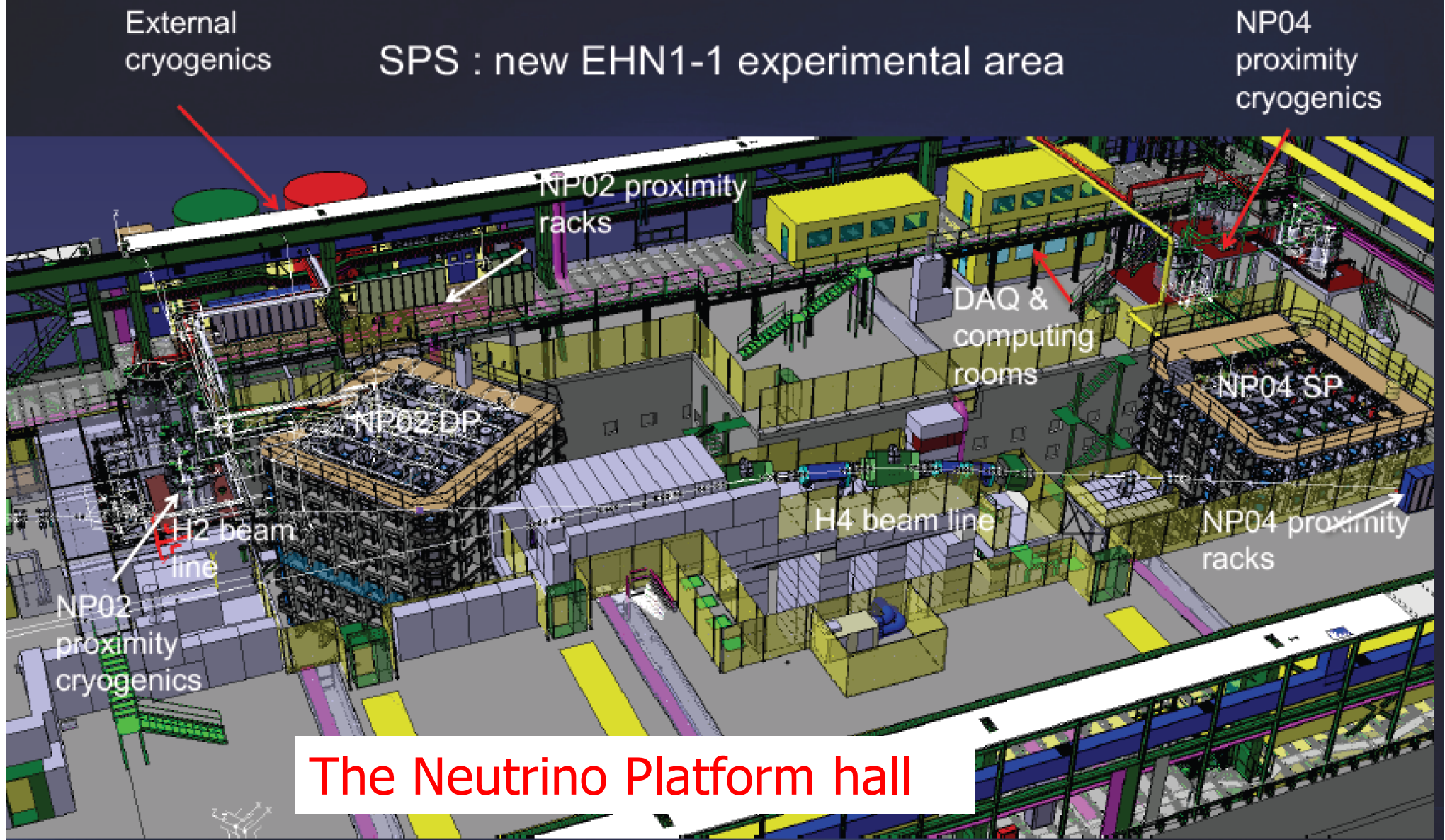


CRPs



# The EHN1 Hall at CERN

Next step : ~800 ton LAr prototypes



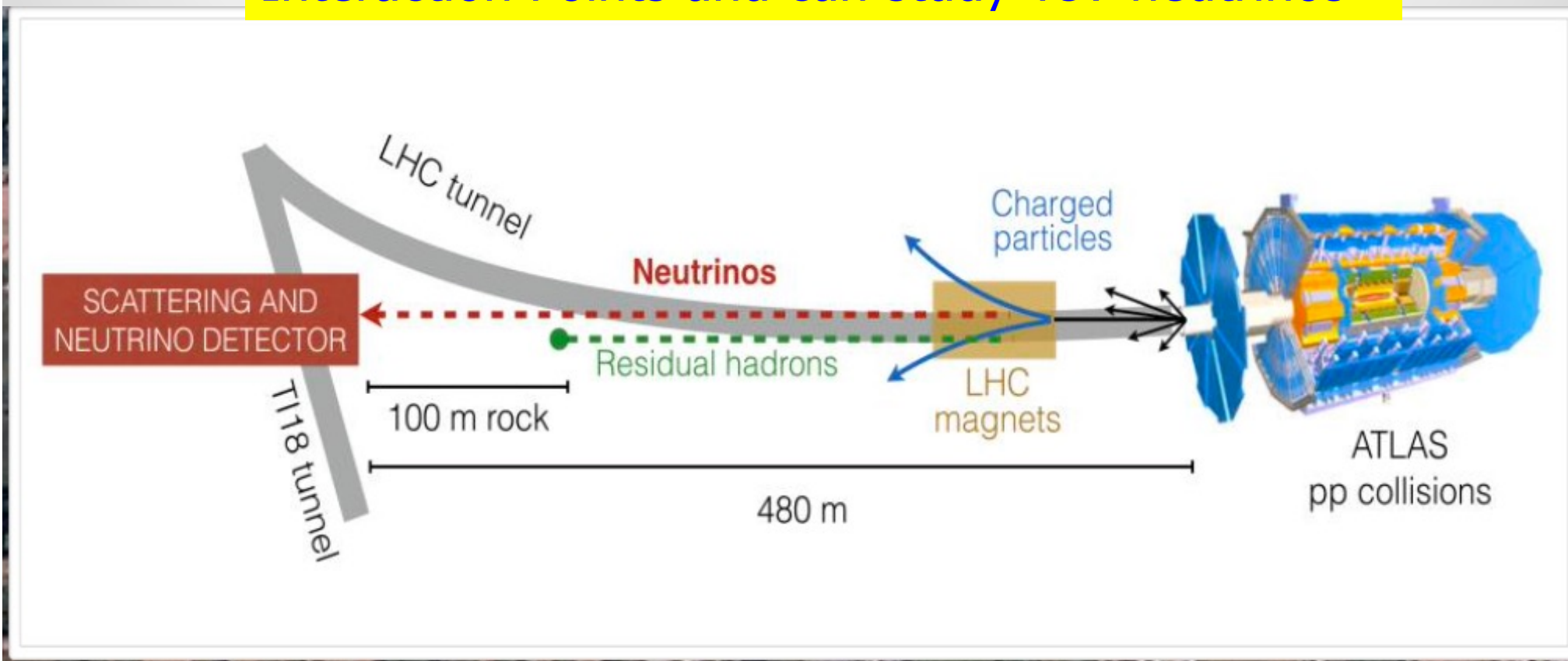


# Neutrinos at the LHC!

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# Measuring Neutrino Interactions @ LHC

SND@LHC and FASER $\nu$  are 480m forward of the Interaction Points and can study TeV-neutrinos



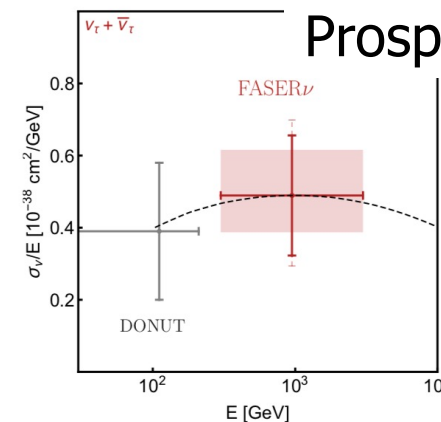
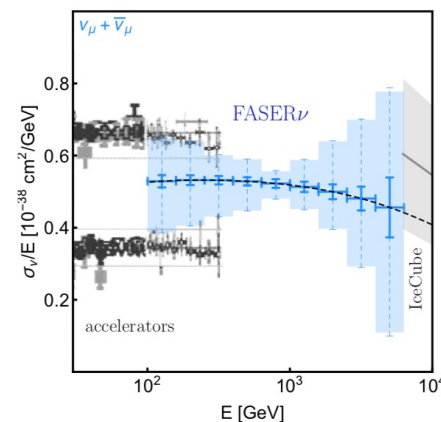
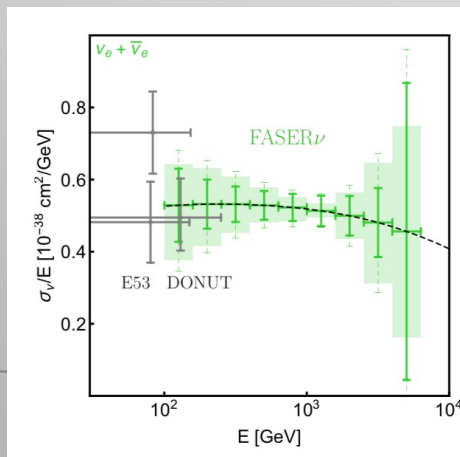
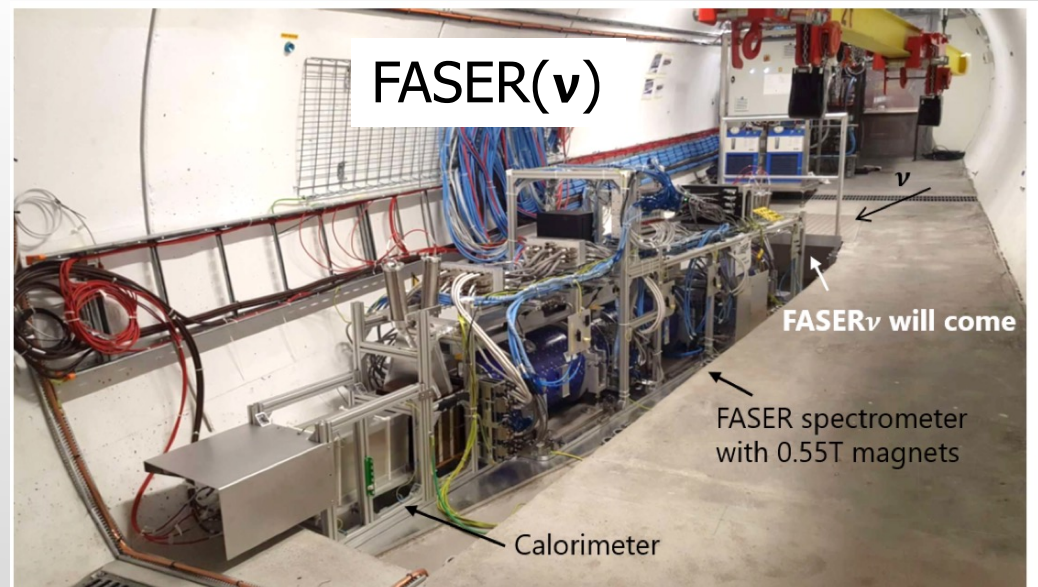
FASER was approved in 2019. FASER $\nu$  (extension with emulsion) in 2020. SND@LHC was proposed in 2020 and approved in 2021. Both experiments take now data with the start of the Run-3 at the LHC

# Neutrinos @ the LHC: SND@LHC & FASER $\nu$

SND@LHC: approved March '21

SND= Scattering and Neutrino Detector

SND@LHC/FASER $\nu$  are 480m forward and can study TeV-neutrinos with emulsion and tracking+muon/calorimeter detectors



Prospects for 2026



# SND@LHC

## Physics with LHC neutrinos

### Neutrino interactions

- Measure  $\nu$  interactions in unexplored  $\sim$ TeV energy range.
- Large yield of  $\nu_T$  will more than double existing data.
  - About 20 events observed by DONuT and OPERA.
- First observation of  $\bar{\nu}_T$ .

### QCD

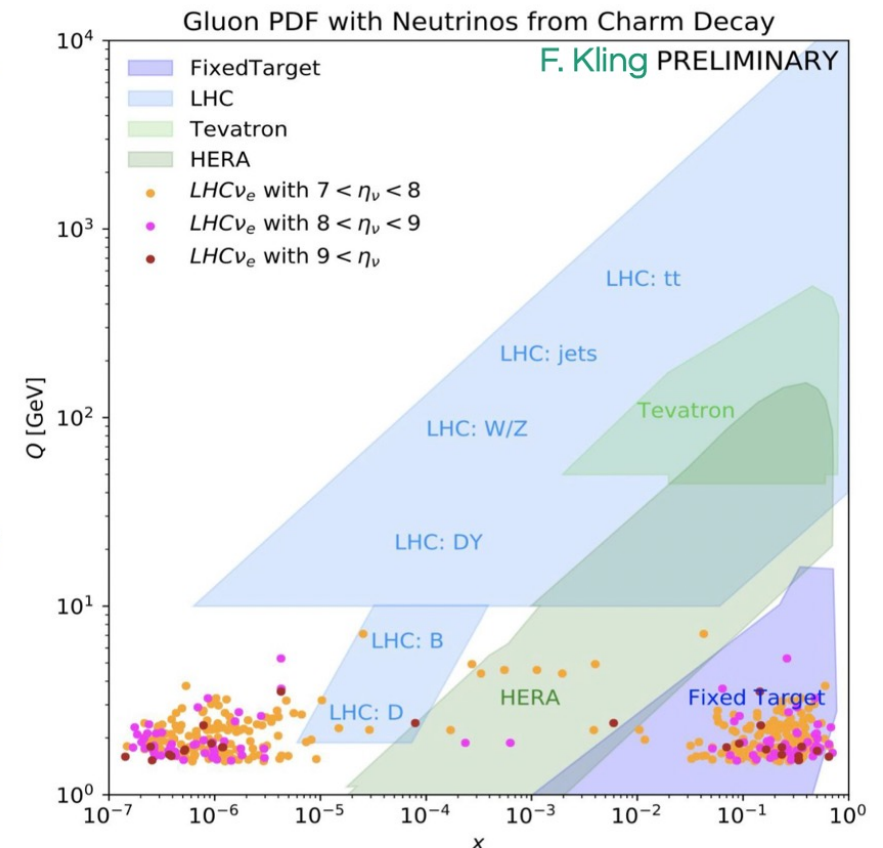
- Decays of **charm** hadrons contribute significantly to the neutrino flux.
  - ⇒ Measure **forward charm production** with neutrinos.
  - ⇒ Constrain **gluon PDF** at very small  $x$ .

### Flavour

- Detection of all **three types of neutrinos** allows for tests of **lepton flavour universality**.

### Beyond the Standard Model

- Search for **new, feebly interacting, particles decaying** within the detector or **scattering off the target**.



# SND@LHC

## Scattering and Neutrino Detector at the LHC

### Veto system

Two 1 cm thick scintillator planes.

### Target, vertex detector and ECal

830 kg tungsten target.

Five walls x 59 emulsion layers  
+ five scintillating fibre stations.

$84 X_0$ ,  $3 \lambda_{\text{int}}$

### HCal and muon system

Eight 20 cm Fe blocks  
+ scintillator planes.

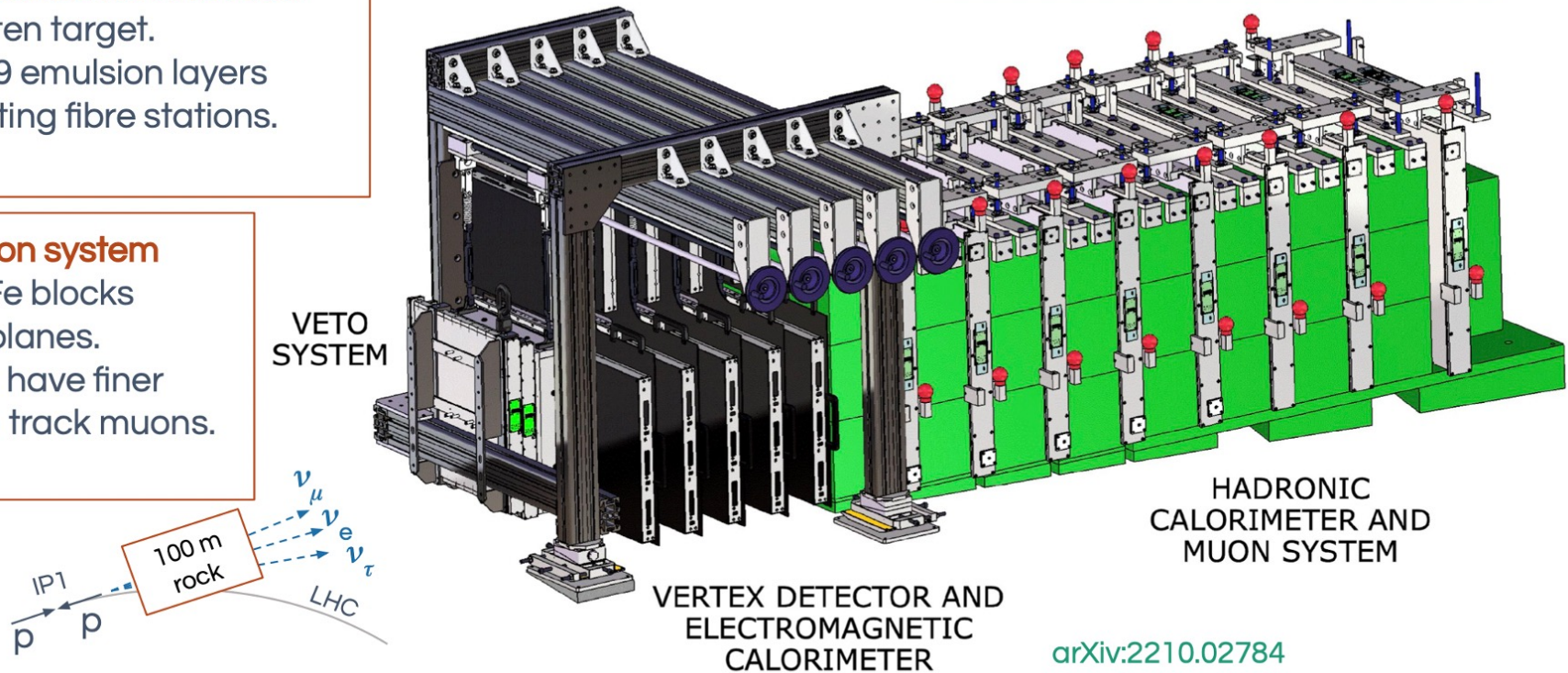
Last 3 planes have finer  
granularity to track muons.

$9.5 \lambda_{\text{int}}$

Cross-sectional area:  $40 \times 40 \text{ cm}^2$

Length: 2.6 m

Off-axis:  $7.2 < \eta < 8.4$



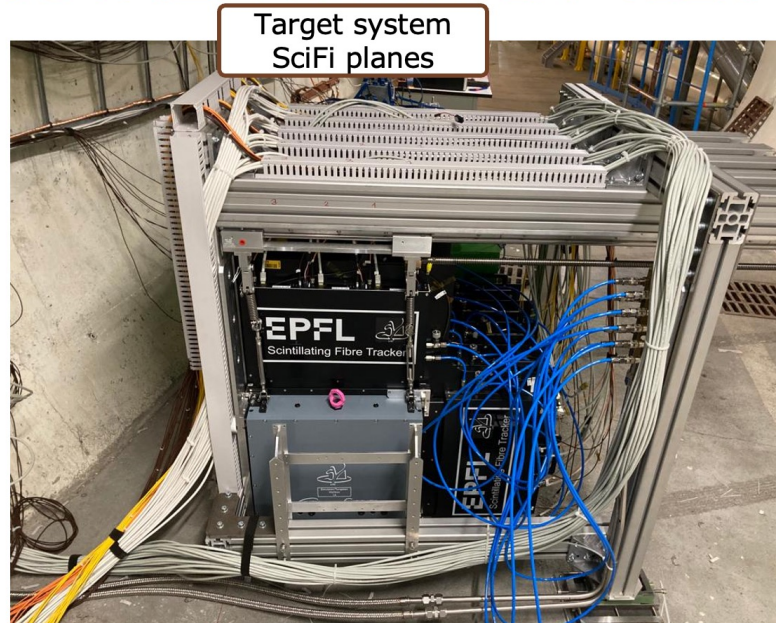


# SND@LHC

## DETECTOR INSTALLATION IN TI18



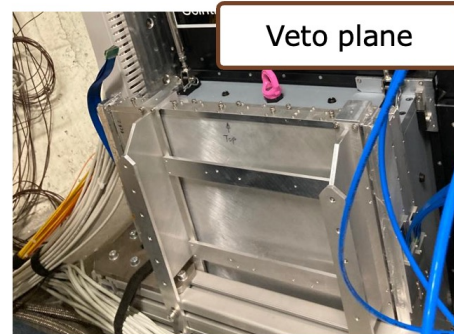
Target wall



Target system  
SciFi planes



Muon system

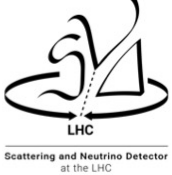


Veto plane

- Installation in TI18 started on **November 1<sup>st</sup> 2021**
- Electronic detector installation completed on **December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021**
- Installation of the neutron shield completed on **March 15<sup>th</sup> 2022**



# SND@LHC



## Experiment timeline

Scattering and Neutrino Detector at the LHC

Letter of Intent

August 2020

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

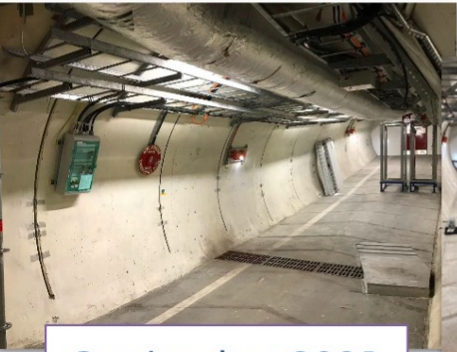
SND@LHC

January 2021

**CERN approves new LHC experiment**

SND@LHC, or Scattering and Neutrino Detector at the LHC, will be the facility's ninth experiment

March 2021



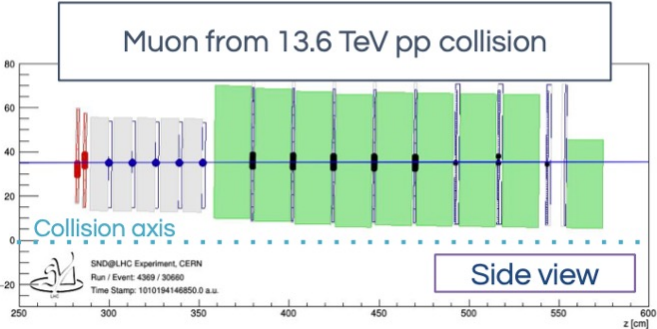
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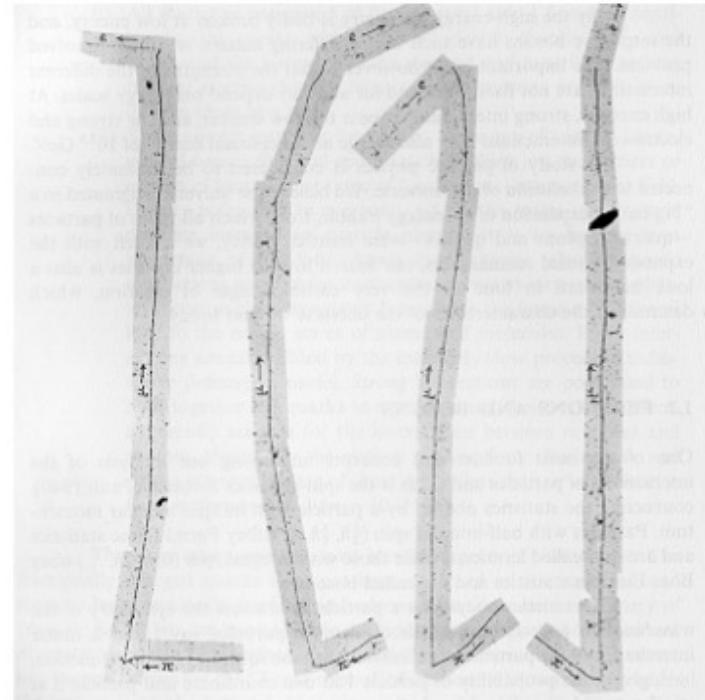
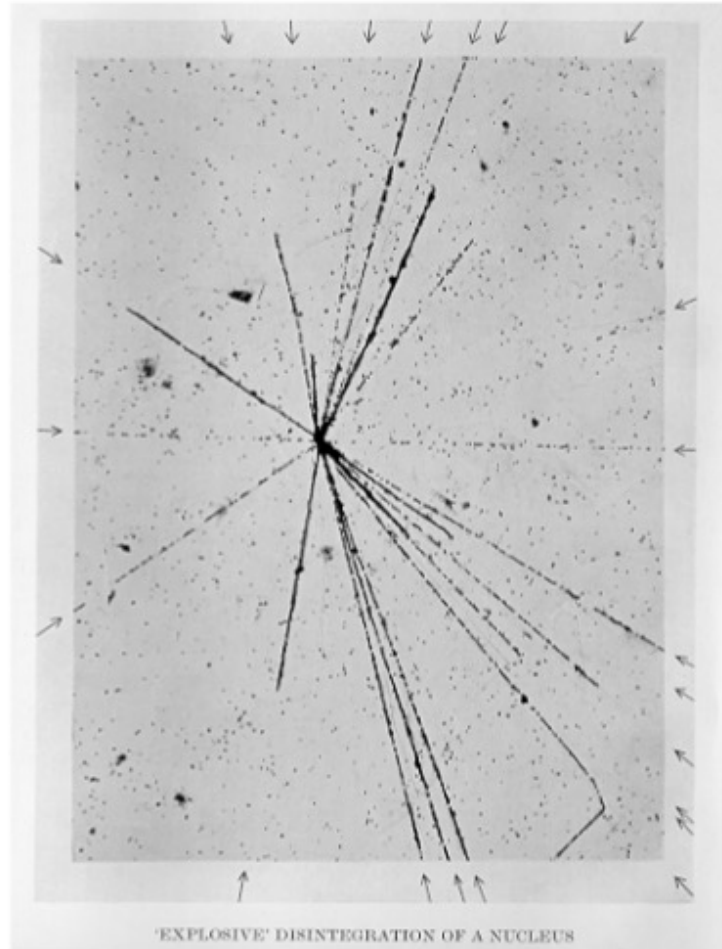


March 2022



July 2022

# Emulsion Detectors for Precision Tracking



Discovery of muon and pion

Emulsion detectors are still used today: Opera experiment at Gran Sasso for the identification of tau decays.

2000-2015

Photographic emulsion consist of chemical grains (often Ag doped) that react to the ionization of passing particles. **Spatial resolution can be better than 1  $\mu\text{m}$ !**

# Proposal for Neutrino Detection at the LHC

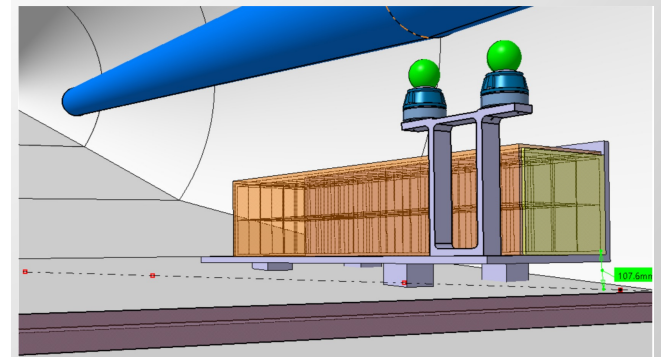
Detection of neutrinos at the LHC with energy 0.5-1 TeV  
3 tons of emulsion/lead stacks

LETTER OF INTENT

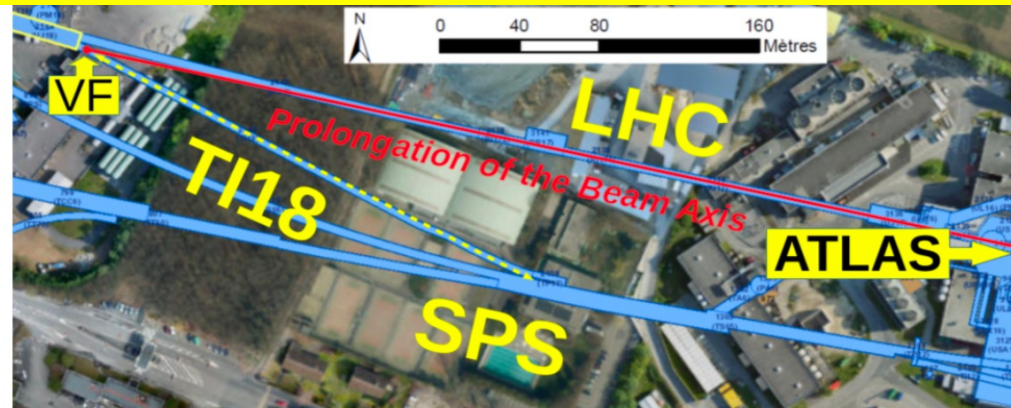
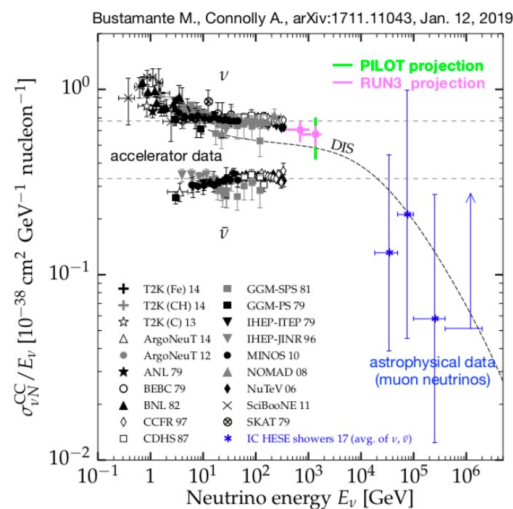
2019

## XSEN: a $\nu N$ Cross Section Measurement using High Energy Neutrinos from pp collisions at the LHC

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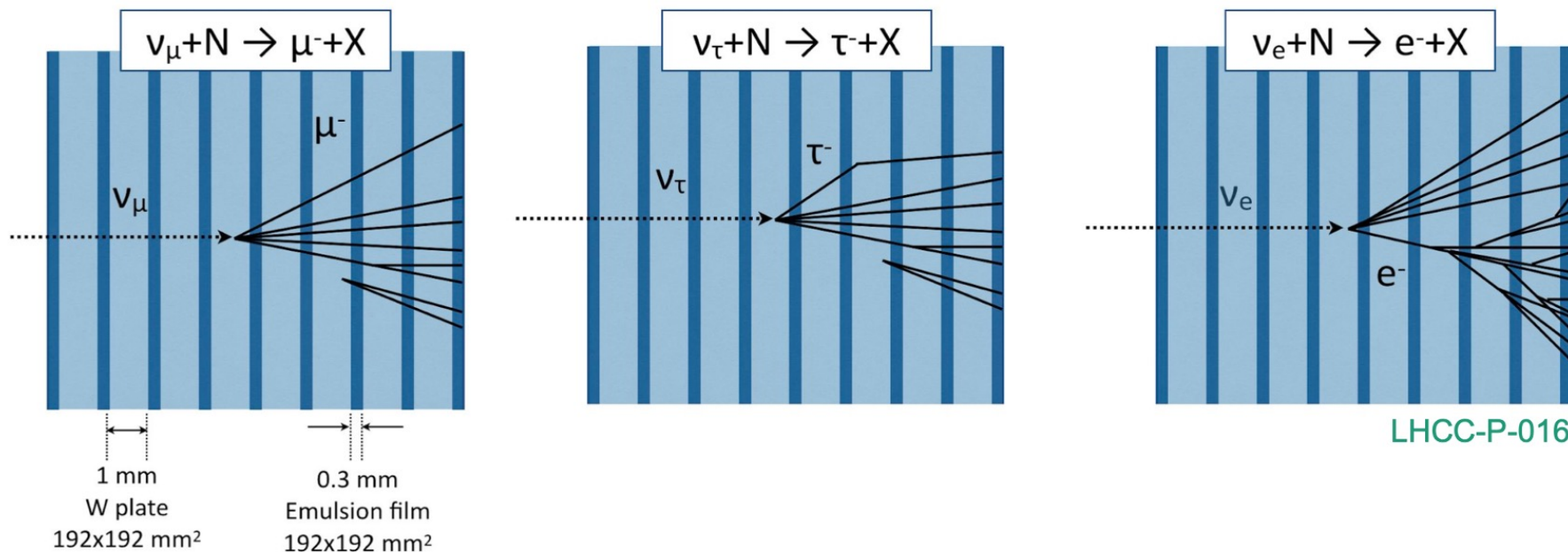
The experiment now called SND@LHC got approved in April 2021 and is now constructed and taking data!!!





## Neutrino identification with emulsions

- **Micrometric resolution** of emulsion detectors allows for **excellent neutrino identification**.
  - **Essential** for the identification of the **secondary vertex** associated to  $\nu_{\tau}$
- However:
  - **No timing** information (emulsions integrate ~months of data).
  - Limited ability to identify **muon tracks**.
  - Limited ability to measure **hadronic showers**.
- Must be complemented with **electronic detector data**.



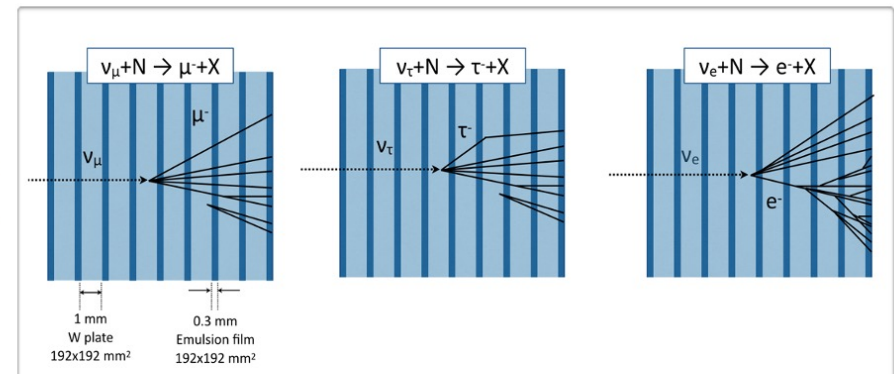
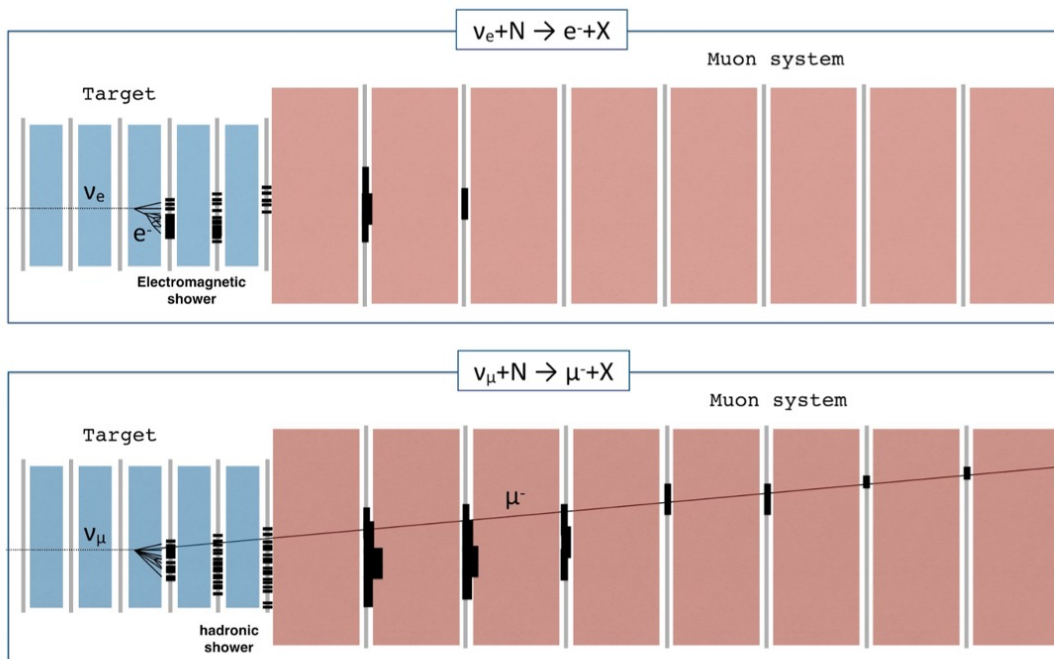
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## Neutrino event reconstruction strategies

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- Use **scintillating fibre** hit pattern to **match** electronic detector events to emulsion detector vertices.
- Measure **showers** with **ECal** and **HCal**.
- Tag muon tracks with the **muon system**.

- ▶ **SECOND PHASE: nuclear emulsions**
- ▶ Event reconstruction in the emulsion target
  - Identify e.m. showers
  - Neutrino vertex reconstruction and 2<sup>nd</sup> vtx search
  - Match with candidates from electronic detectors (time stamp)
  - Complement target tracker for e.m. energy measurement

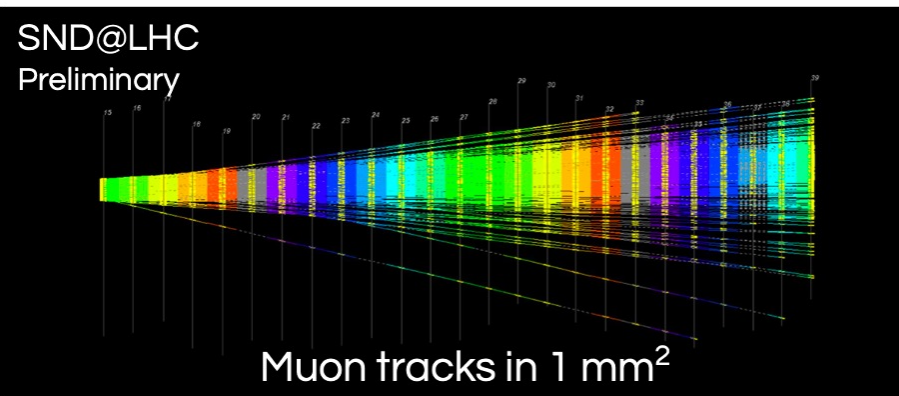
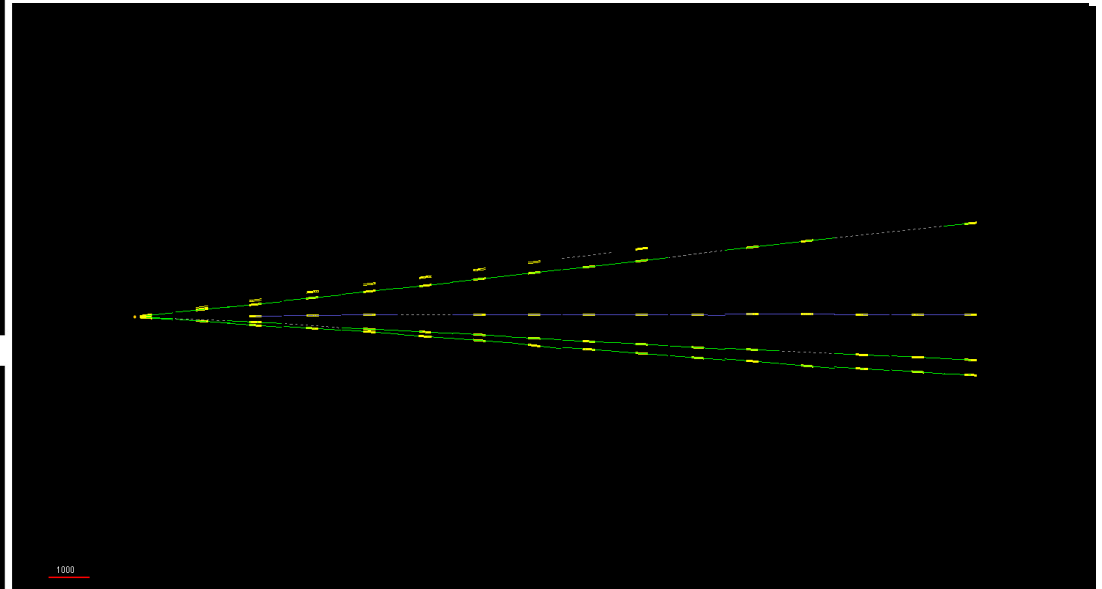
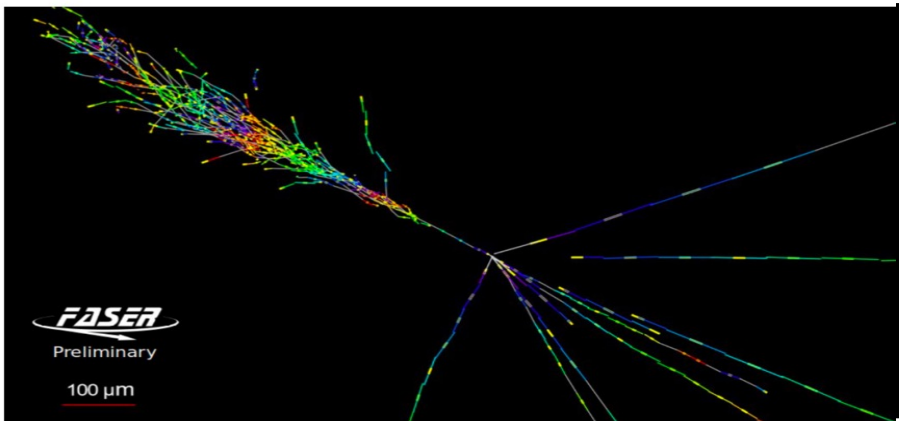


Emulsion detector data analysis ongoing

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## Emulsion detector analyses

Analysis of emulsion detector data is ongoing



$10^5$  tracks/cm<sup>2</sup> in 10 fb<sup>-1</sup> exposure

- Significant parts from 2022 data have been already scanned. 2023 data to start
- Examples of vertices found based on predictions from electron detectors



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## SND@LHC event selection

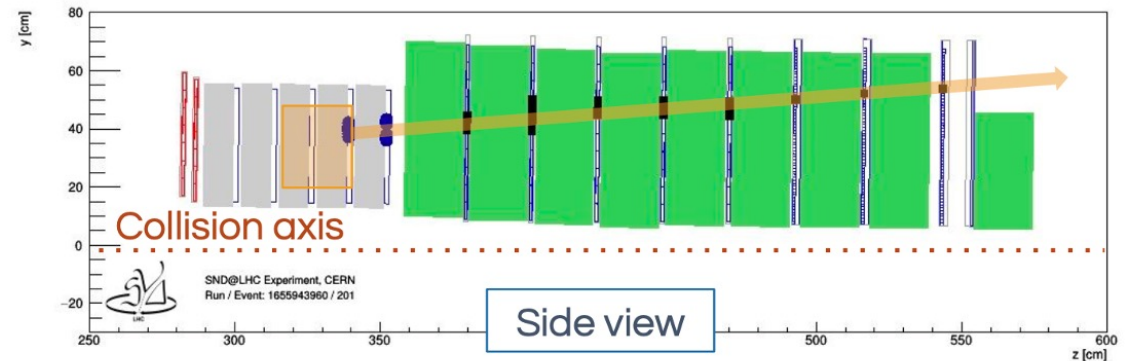
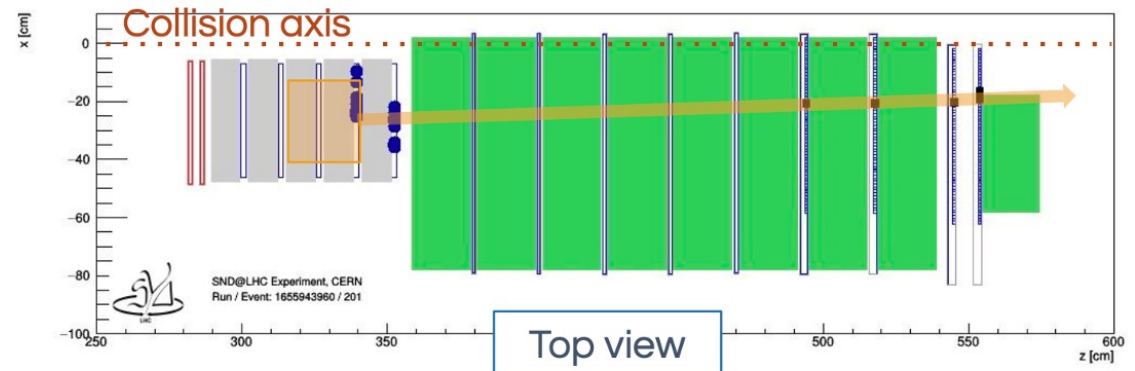
### Fiducial volume

- Neutral vertex 3th or 4th wall.
- Reject side-entering backgrounds.
- Signal acceptance: 7.5%

### Muon neutrino identification

- Large scintillating fibre detector activity.
- Large HCal activity.
- One muon track associated to the vertex.
- Signal selection efficiency: 36%

Number of  $\nu$  CC events expected  
in  $36.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  after cuts: 4.2



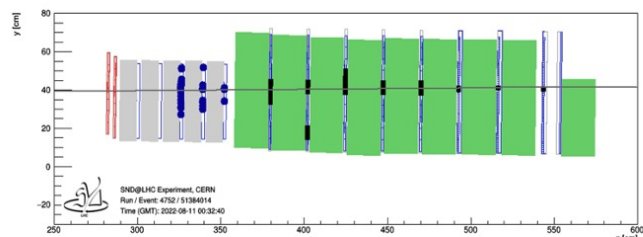
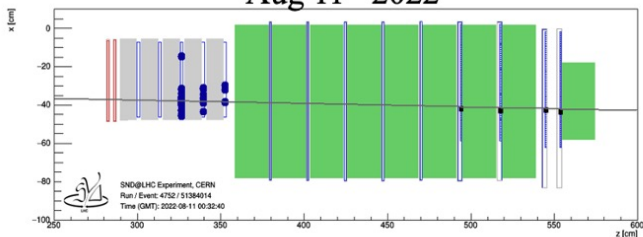
$\nu_{\mu}$  CC simulation

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## Observation of collider muon neutrinos with 2022 data



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Distribution of SciFi hits for  $\nu_\mu$  candidates with the MC expectation for  $\nu$  events and background (augmented to the 5 sigma level)

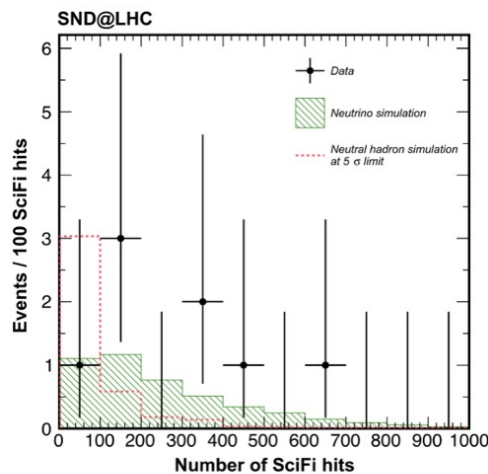
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Editors' Suggestion

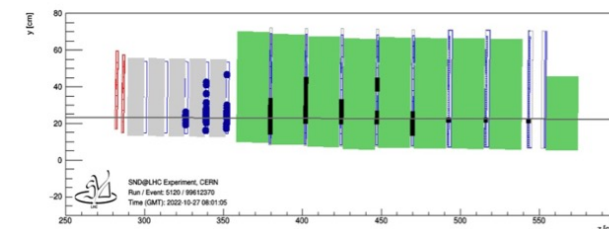
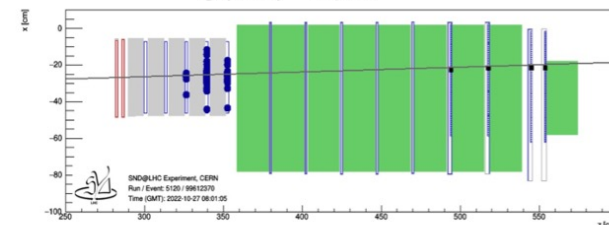
### Observation of Collider Muon Neutrinos with the SND@LHC Experiment

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8 observed events and an expected background  
 $(8.6 \pm 3.8) \times 10^{-2}$   
 Background only hypothesis probability:

$$P = 7.15 \times 10^{-12}$$

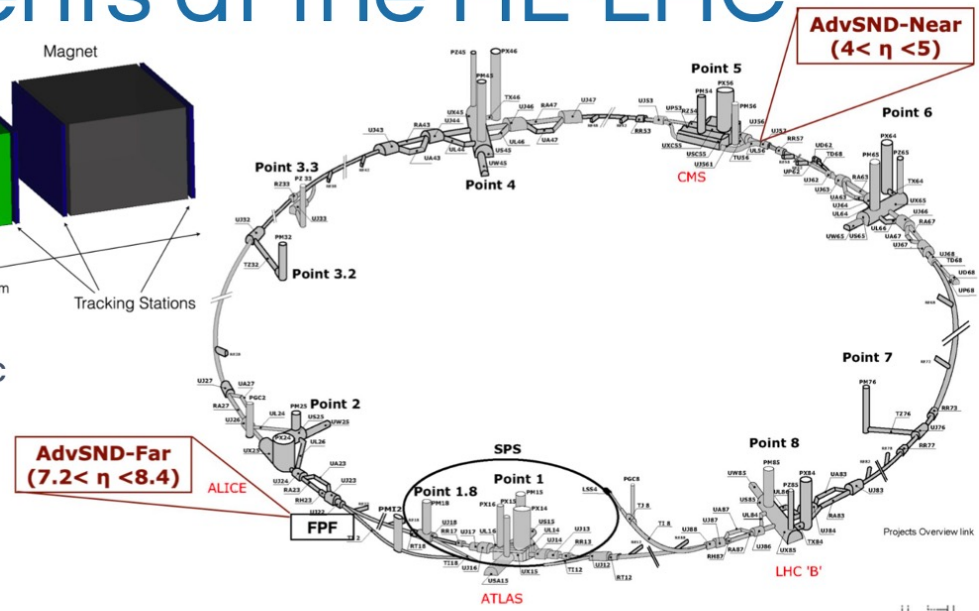
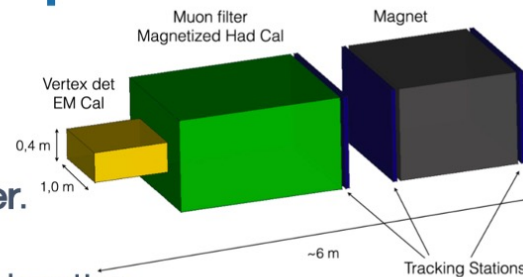
6.8  $\sigma$  observation

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## Neutrino experiments at the HL-LHC

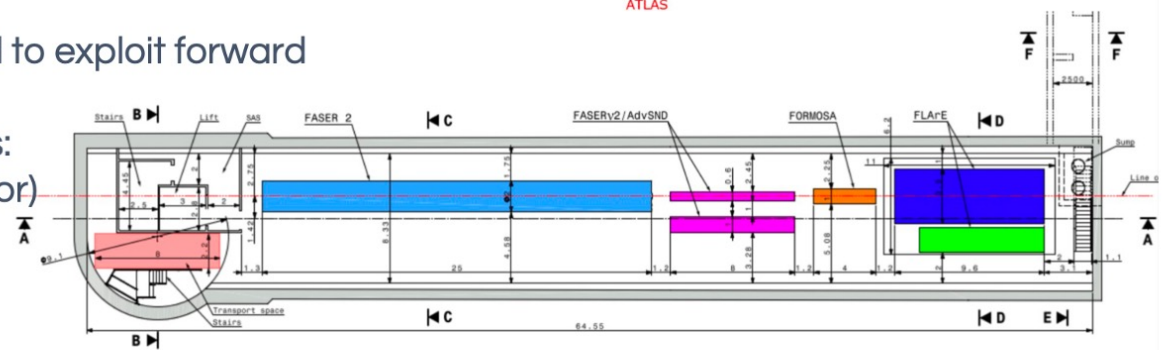
### SND@LHC upgrade: AdvSND

- Iron-core muon spectrometer.
- Electronic vertex detector.
  - Si options under consideration.
- **Near detector** at lower  $\eta$  to constrain systematic uncertainties and **far detector** in the same  $\eta$  range as the current detector.



### Forward Physics Facility

- Dedicated experimental area proposed to exploit forward physics at HL-LHC.
- Several proposed neutrino experiments:
  - FASERv2 (emulsion vertex detector)
  - FLArE (LArTPC)
  - AdvSND-Far





# SUMMARY: Neutrinos

- Neutrino studies is a vibrant field of research, and has still many open questions! Right-handed partners? Large CP violation? More than 3 neutrinos? Non Standard Interactions? Are neutrinos their own anti-particle?
- Now comes the age of neutrino precision physics with DUNE & T2HK and neutrino astronomy: look inside the sun, understand supernovae explosions, multi-messenger astronomy...
- Detailed study of PMNS oscillation parameters by experiments is key to the understanding
- Large experiments are really “observatories”
- The history of neutrino research showed many surprises. What surprise is waiting for us next??

