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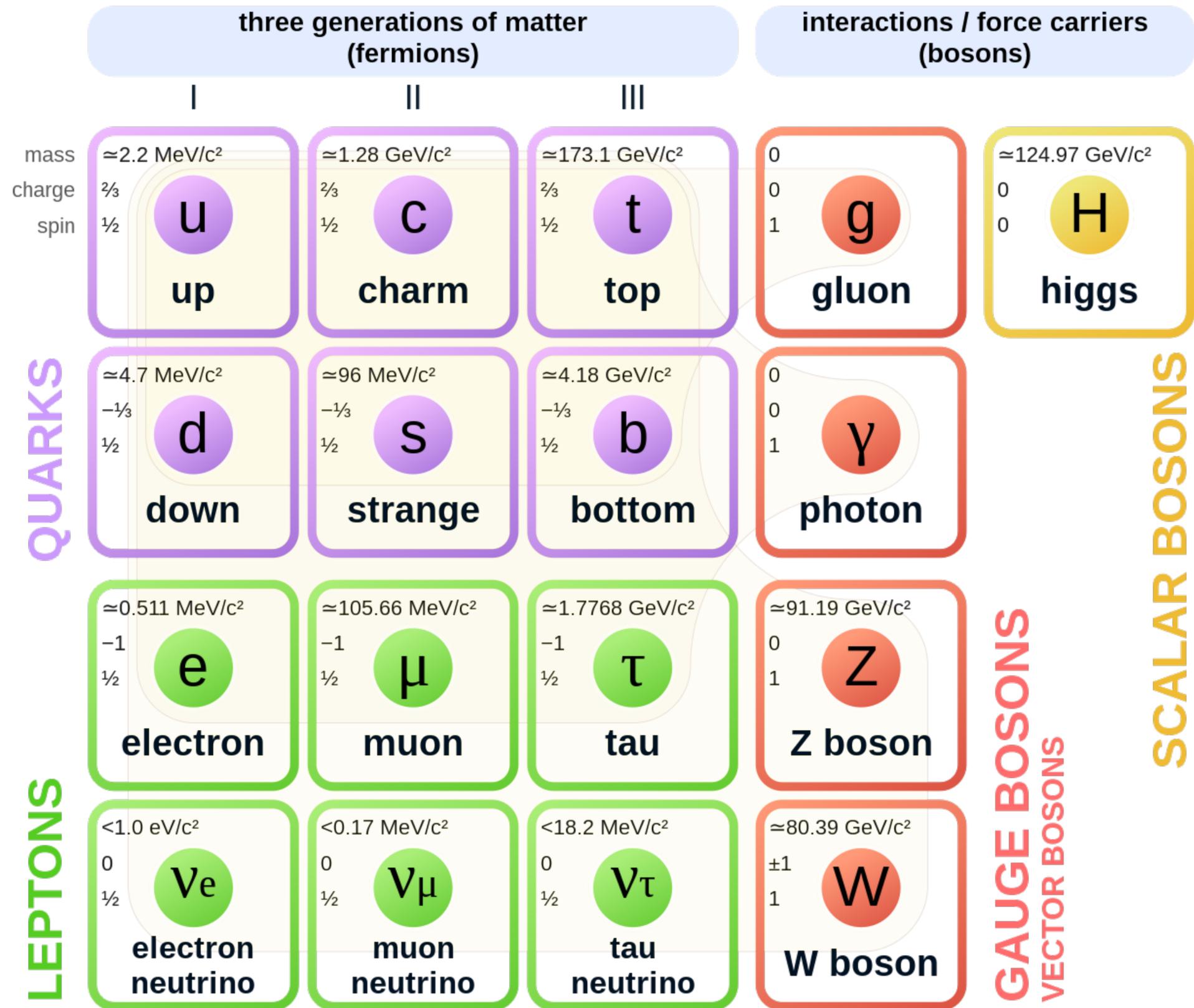
NEUTRINO PHYSICS: EXPERIMENTAL ASPECTS

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- Neutrino properties, sources, interactions
- Neutrino Oscillation with a « historical » approach
- Produce, Detect and neutrino oscillations today & tomorrow

In the Standard Model

- Neutrinos are leptons
- 3 flavors linked to their corresponding charged counterpart
- Can only interact through weak force (through W^\pm and Z^0 bosons)



SCALAR BOSONS

GAUGE BOSONS
VECTOR BOSONS

Cosmological sources

Nearby natural sources

Artificial and natural radioactive sources

Man-made using accelerators



Key facts

- Three flavors of light and active neutrinos named ν_e , ν_μ , ν_τ
 - In 1989, LEP measures the Z invisible decay width :

$$N_\nu = 2.984 \pm 0.008$$
- Neutrinos are only left-handed
 - Cannot couple to the Higgs field, therefore the neutrinos are considered massless in the Standard Model
 - But they in fact do have a mass:

$$m_\nu < 1 \text{ eV} ; \sum m_\nu > 0.06 \text{ eV}$$

- Most abundant massive particule

$$\Phi_{\text{sun}} = 65 \times 10^9 \nu_e / \text{cm}^2 / \text{s} \text{ on earth}$$

$$\Phi_{\text{reactor}} = 2 \times 10^{20} \bar{\nu}_e / \text{s} / \text{GW}_{\text{th}}$$

$$\Phi_{\text{atmo}} = 4 \times 10^2 \nu_{e+\mu} / \text{m}^2 / \text{s} / \text{sr}$$

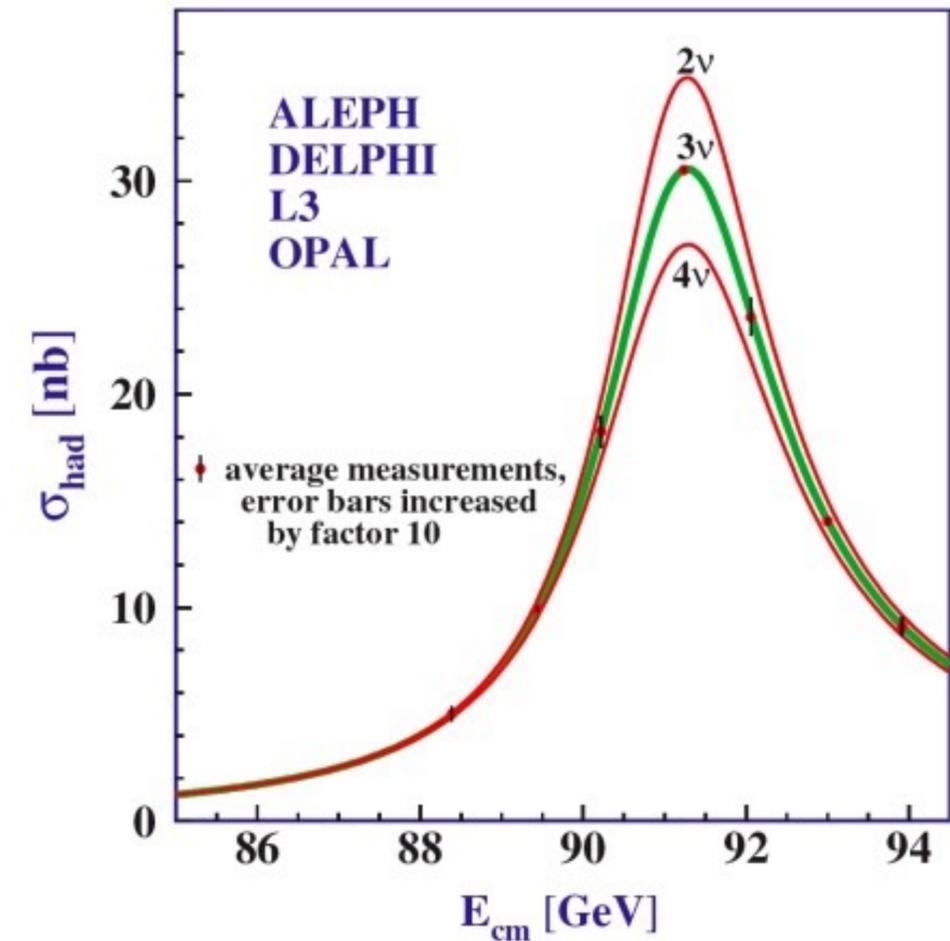
$$\Phi_{\text{accelerator}} \sim 1 \times 10^{12} \nu_\mu / \text{m}^2$$

- Only interact through weak interaction

→ Small cross section :

$$\sigma \sim 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ for IBD}$$

$$\sigma \sim 10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ at 1 GeV}$$



→ **50% chance a ν_e from the sun interact in you in your lifetime**

HOW TO

DETECT

NEUTRINOS

Charged and neutral currents

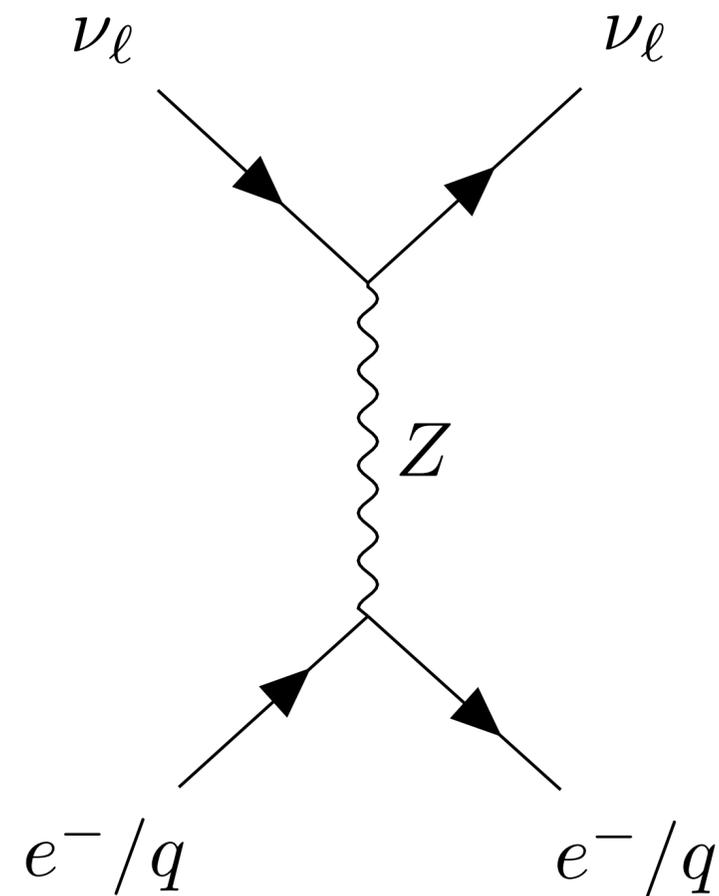
Neutrino have no electric charge -> We cannot detect them directly

We have to :

- Wait for a neutrino to interact
- Detect the products of the interaction
- Retrieve the original neutrino flavor/direction/energy/sign

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- > Through Z^0 exchange = Neutral Currents
- > Through W^\pm exchange = Charged Currents



Elastic scattering

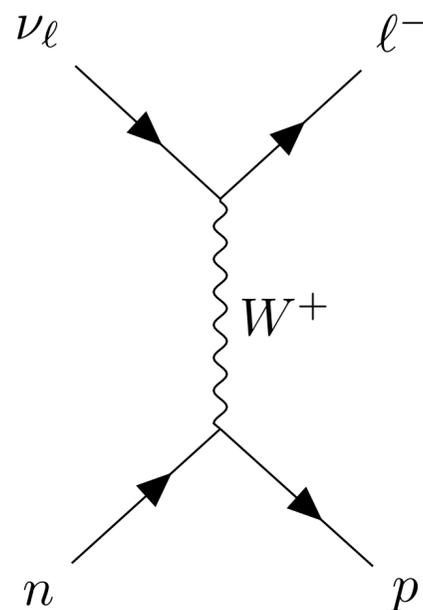
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- All neutrino interact with same potential

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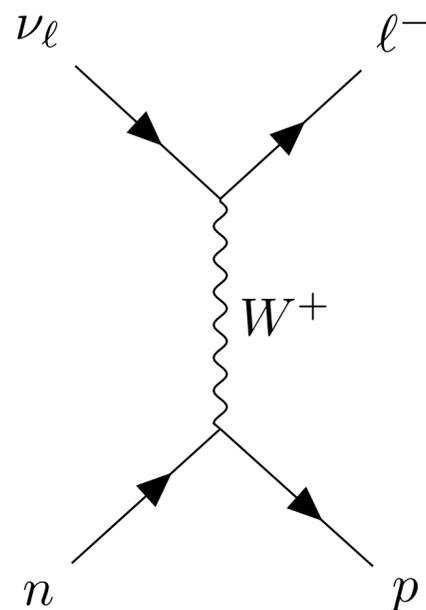
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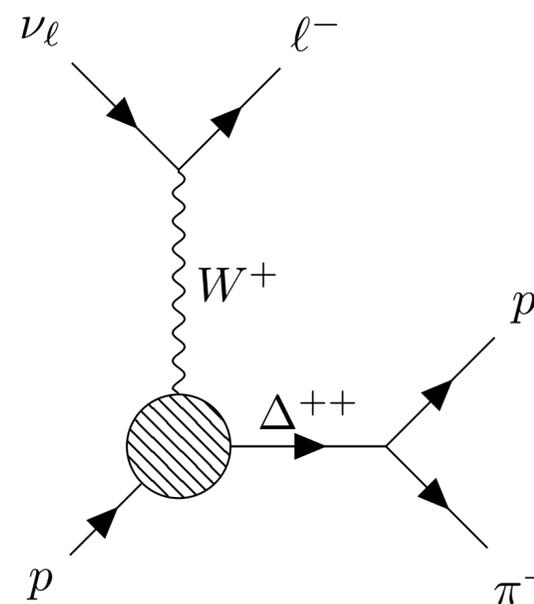
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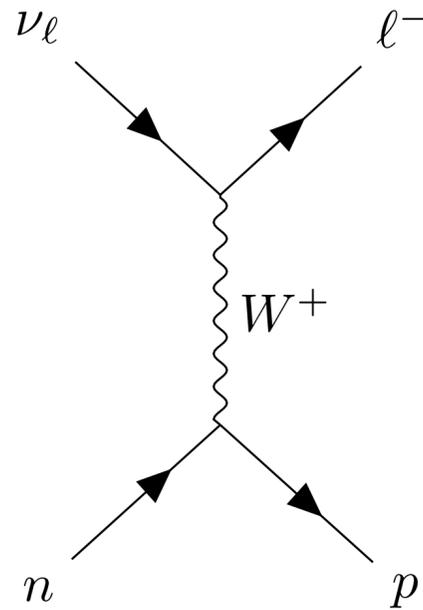
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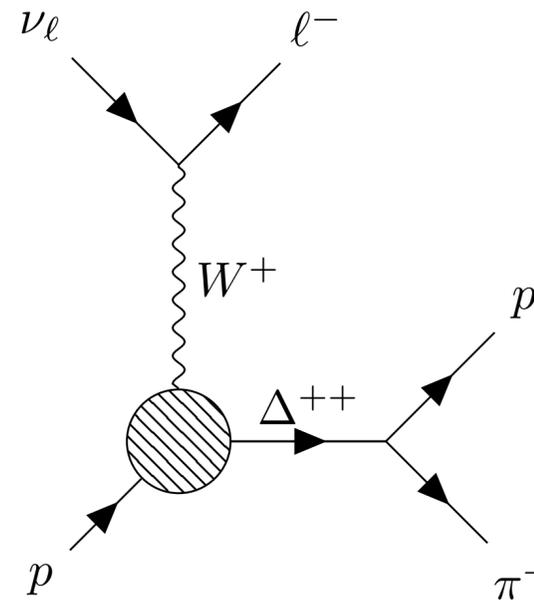
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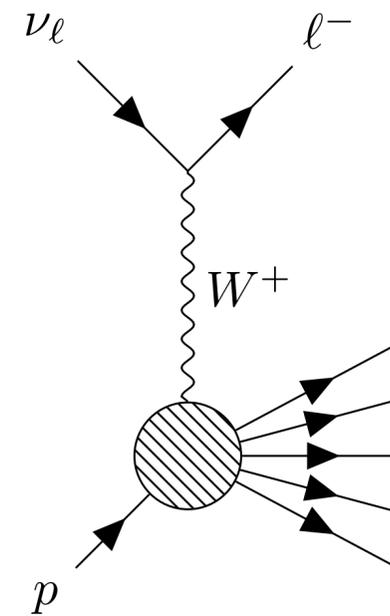
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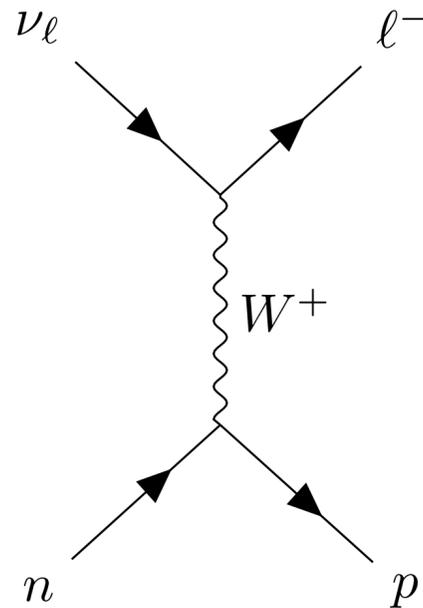


Nucleon breaks
 -> Interactions with the quarks

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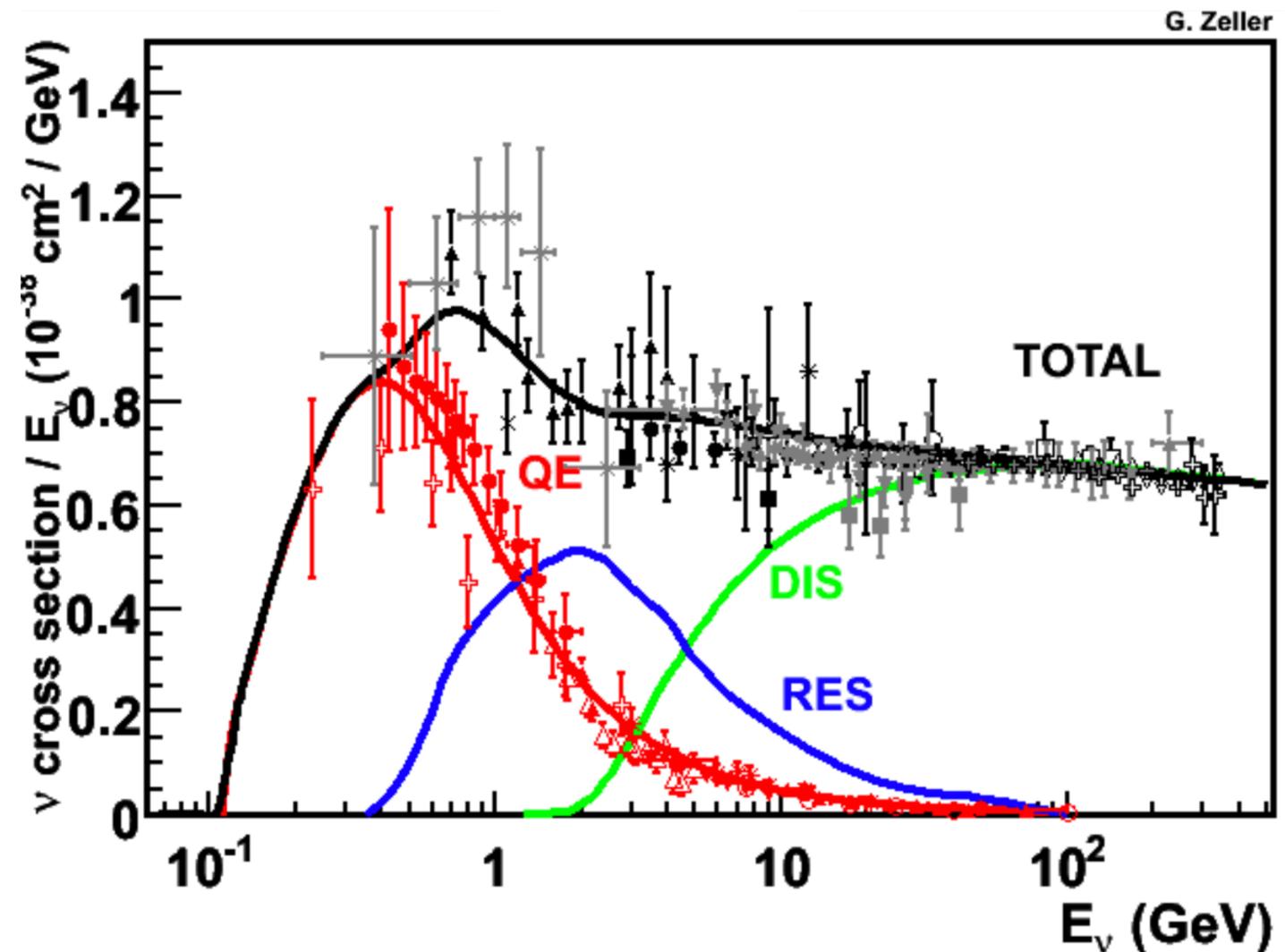


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Neutrino cross section increase with energy but the final states are more complex



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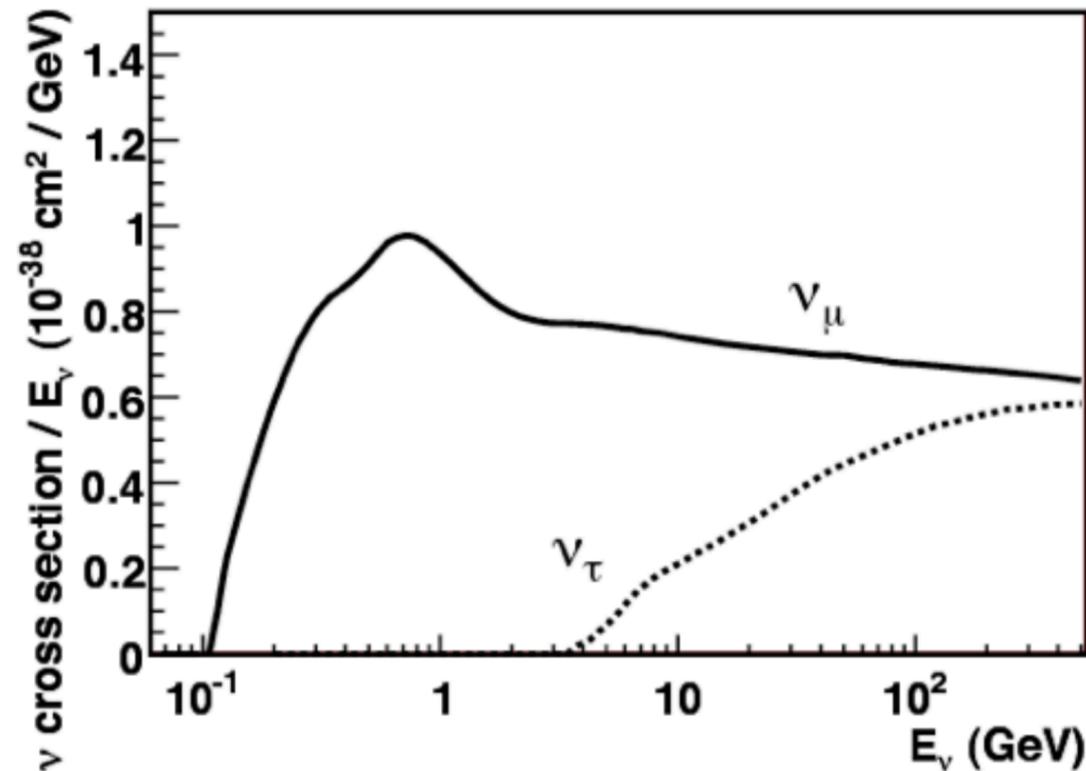
Interaction threshold

For CC interactions : $\nu_\ell + n \rightarrow \ell^- + p$

$$E_\nu \geq \frac{(m_\ell + m_p)^2 - m_n^2}{2m_n}$$

$$E_{\text{thr}}(\nu_\mu) = 110 \text{ MeV}$$

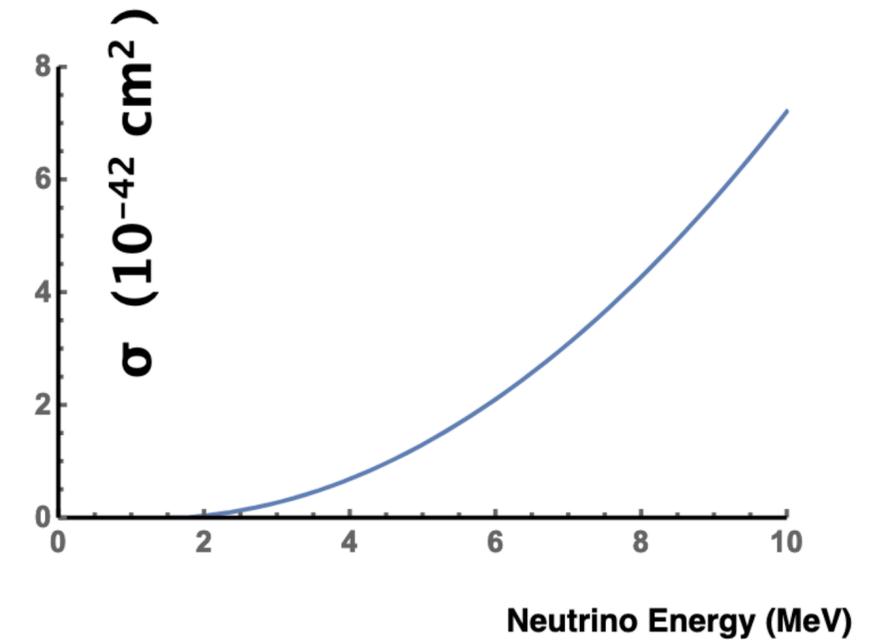
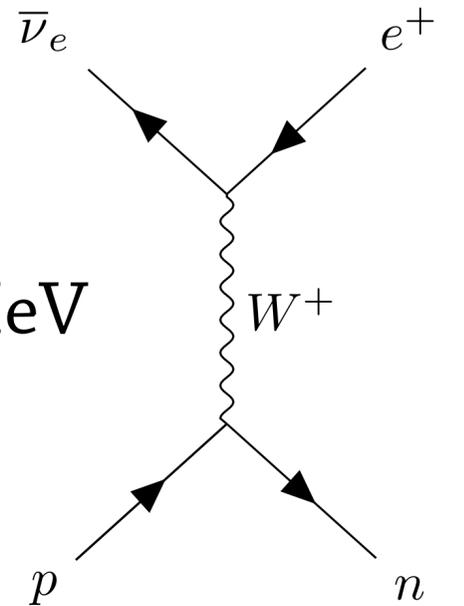
$$E_{\text{thr}}(\nu_\tau) = 3.45 \text{ GeV}$$



$\bar{\nu}_e$ low energy interaction

inverse β -decay : $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$

$$E_{\text{thr}}(\bar{\nu}_e) = 1.806 \text{ MeV}$$



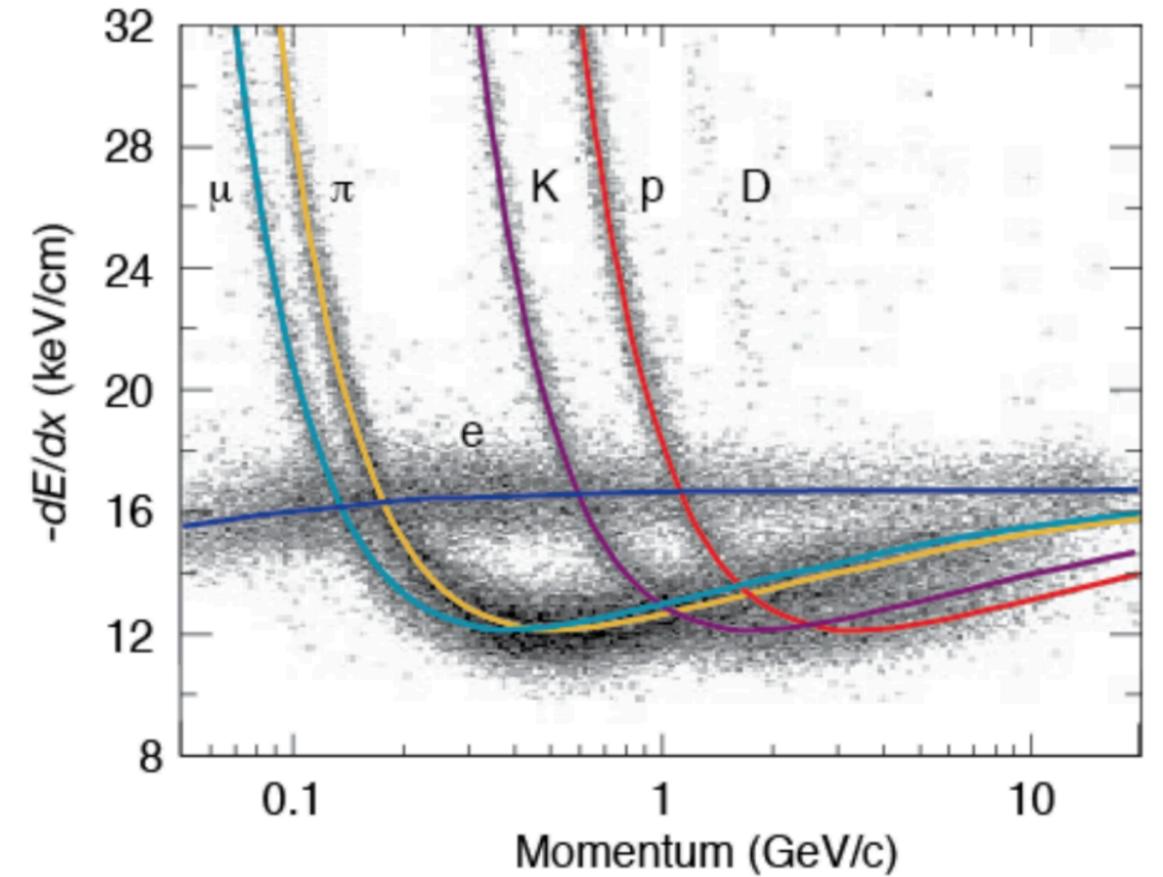
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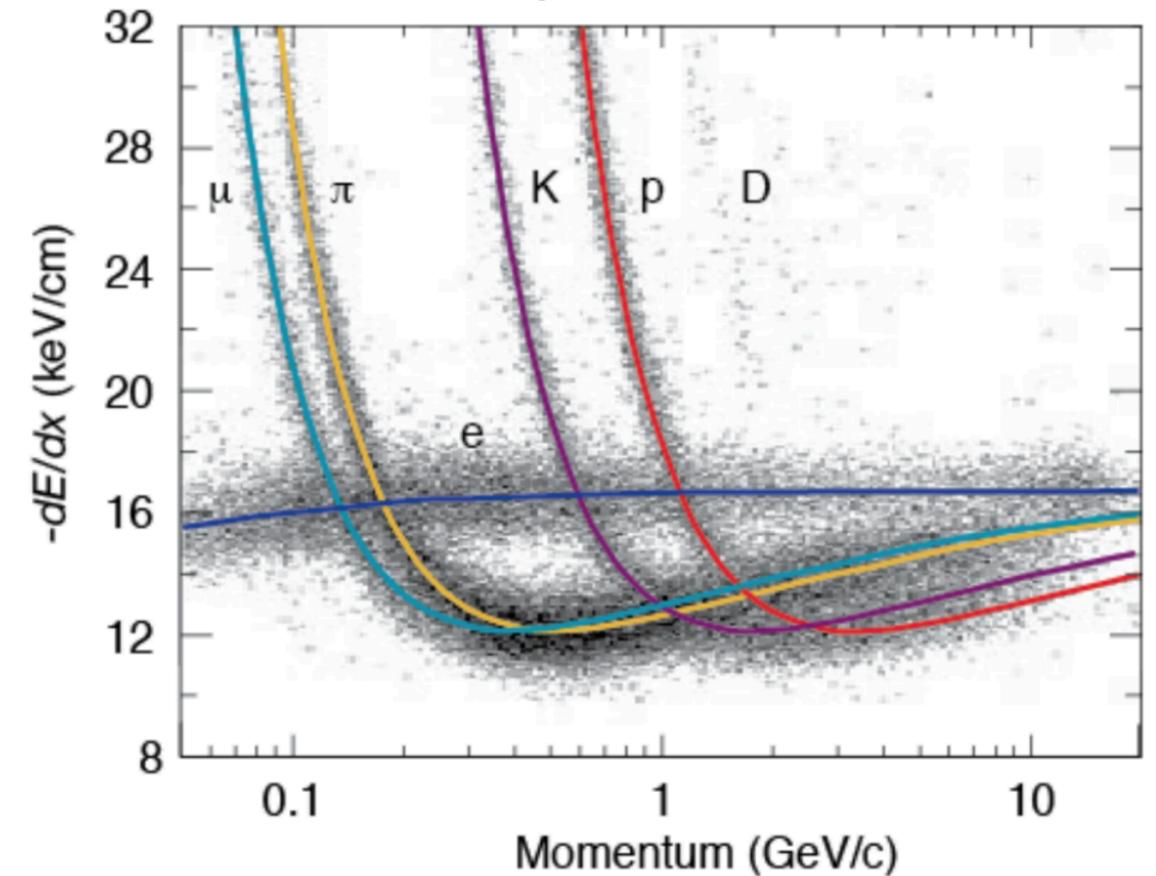
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If this energy lost can be seen, one can have a 2D (or even 3D) image of the interaction. Through track topology, one can know the daughters identity.

Moreover, if this energy can be collected, one can reconstruct the energy of the daughters, and hence fully reconstruct the interacting neutrino kinematics.

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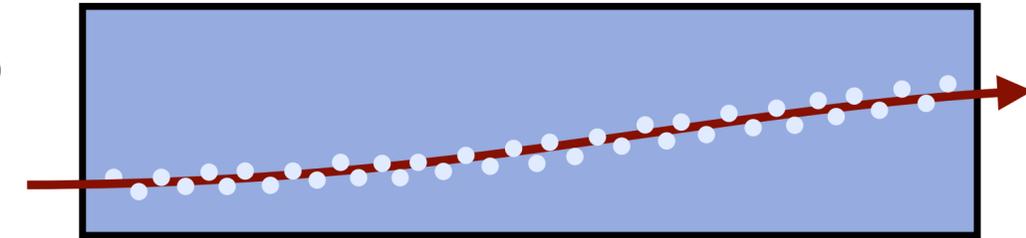
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BEBC at CERN



Bubble Chambers

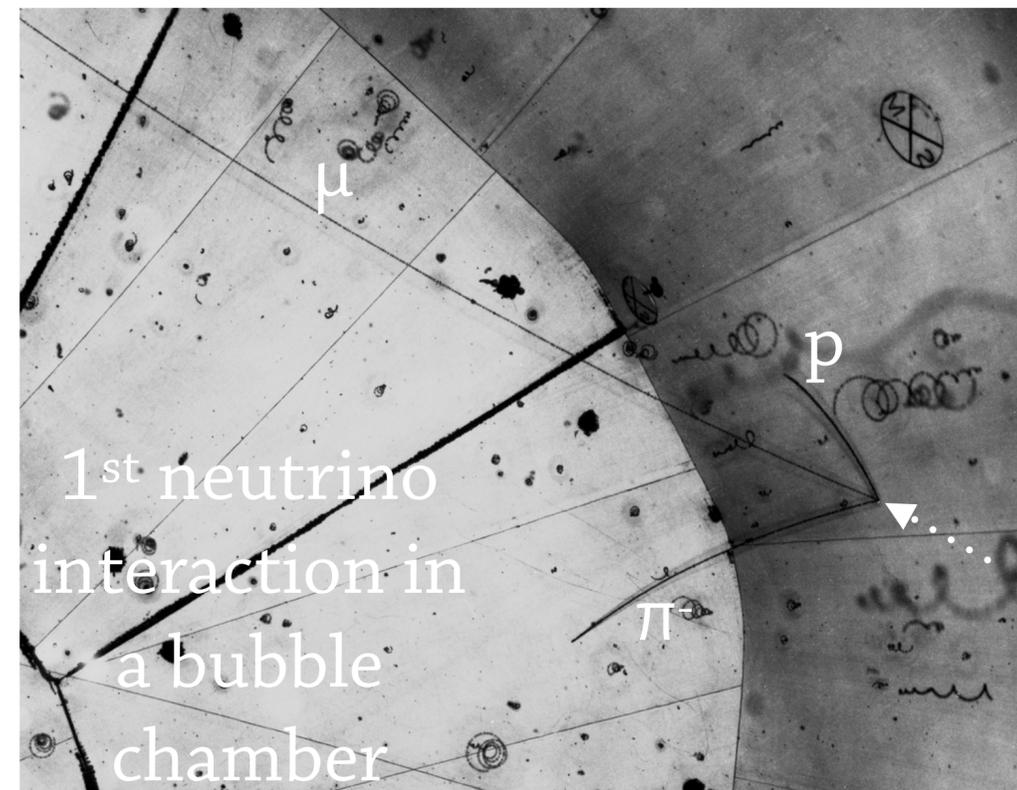
Superheated fluid turns locally to gas (bubbles) when energy is deposited by a charged tracks :



First bubble chambers where equipped with cameras, the pictures were scanned manually by the scanning ladies.



Scanning ladies

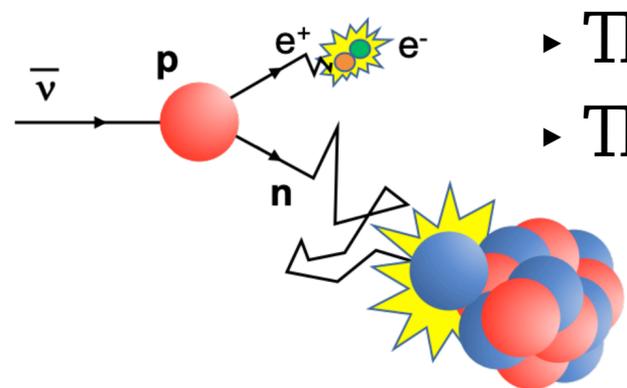


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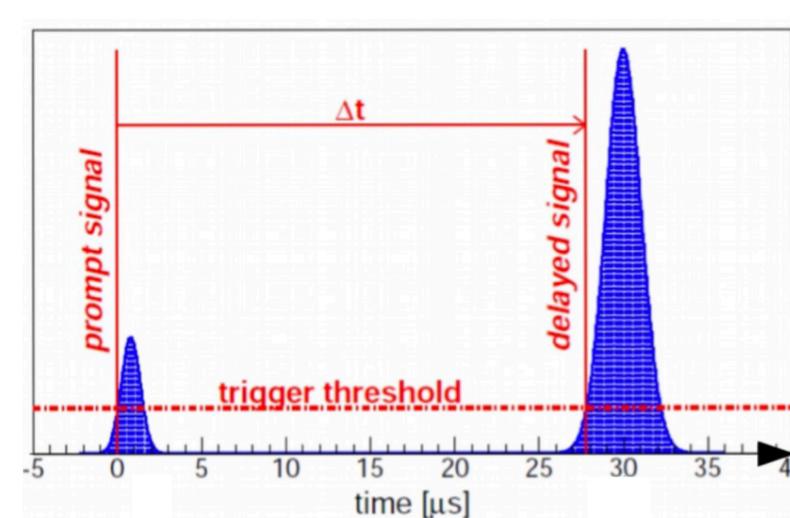
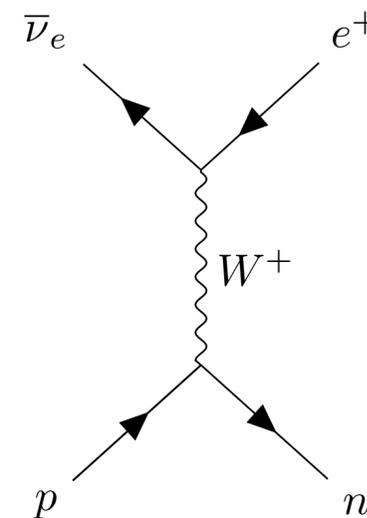
Liquid Scintillators

Organic liquid that scintillates when energy is deposited.

In neutrino physics, often used to tag inverse β -decay interactions

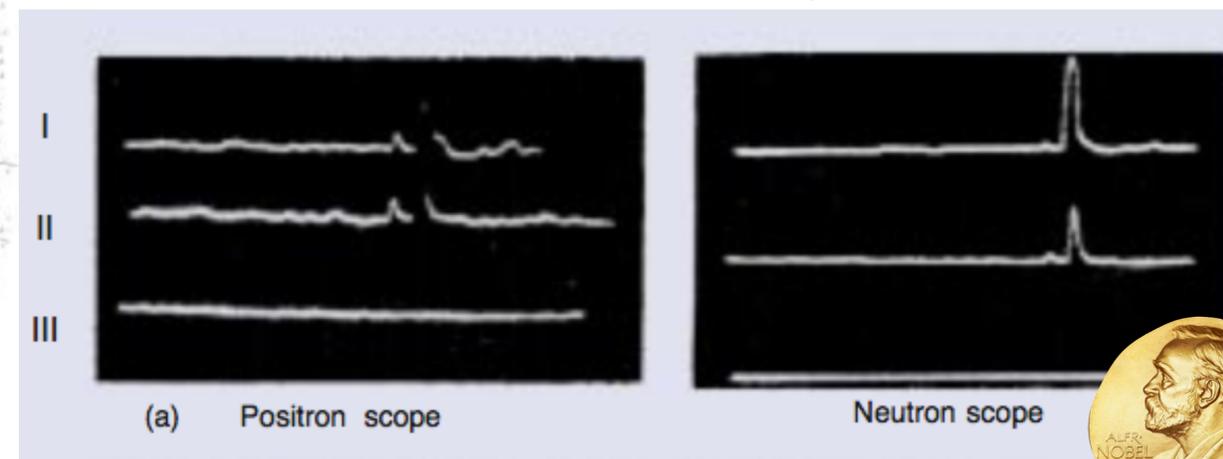
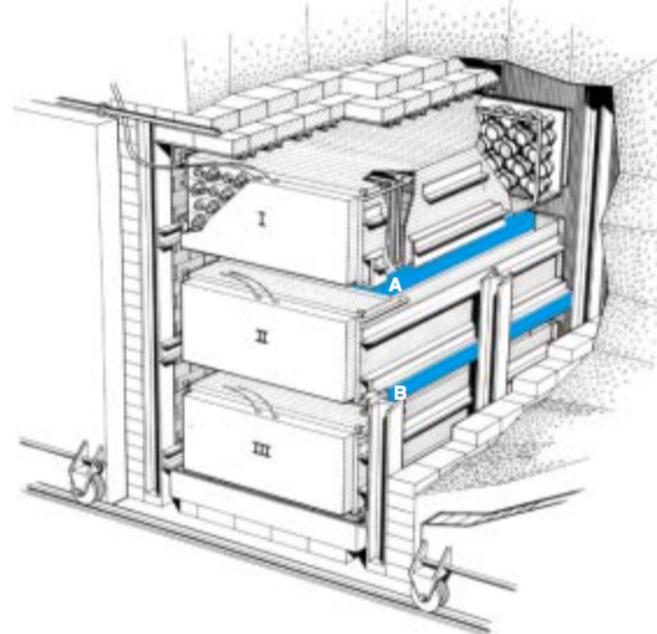
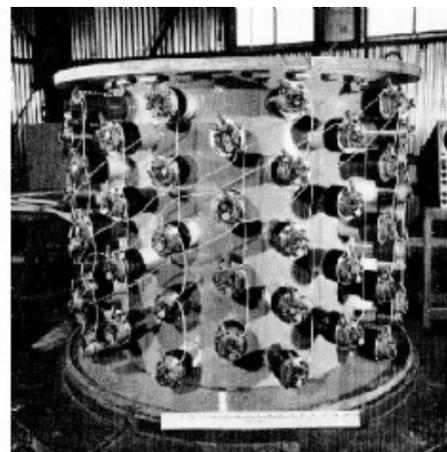
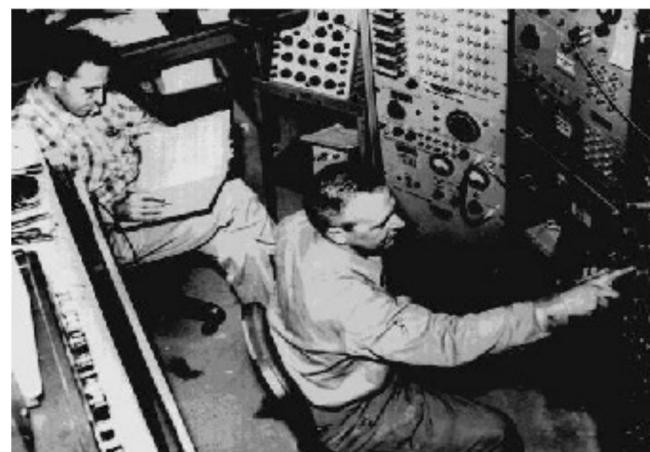


- ▶ The positron is quickly captured by an electron
- ▶ The neutron is captured later by a catcher-atom



Savannah river experiment by Reines & Cowan in 1956

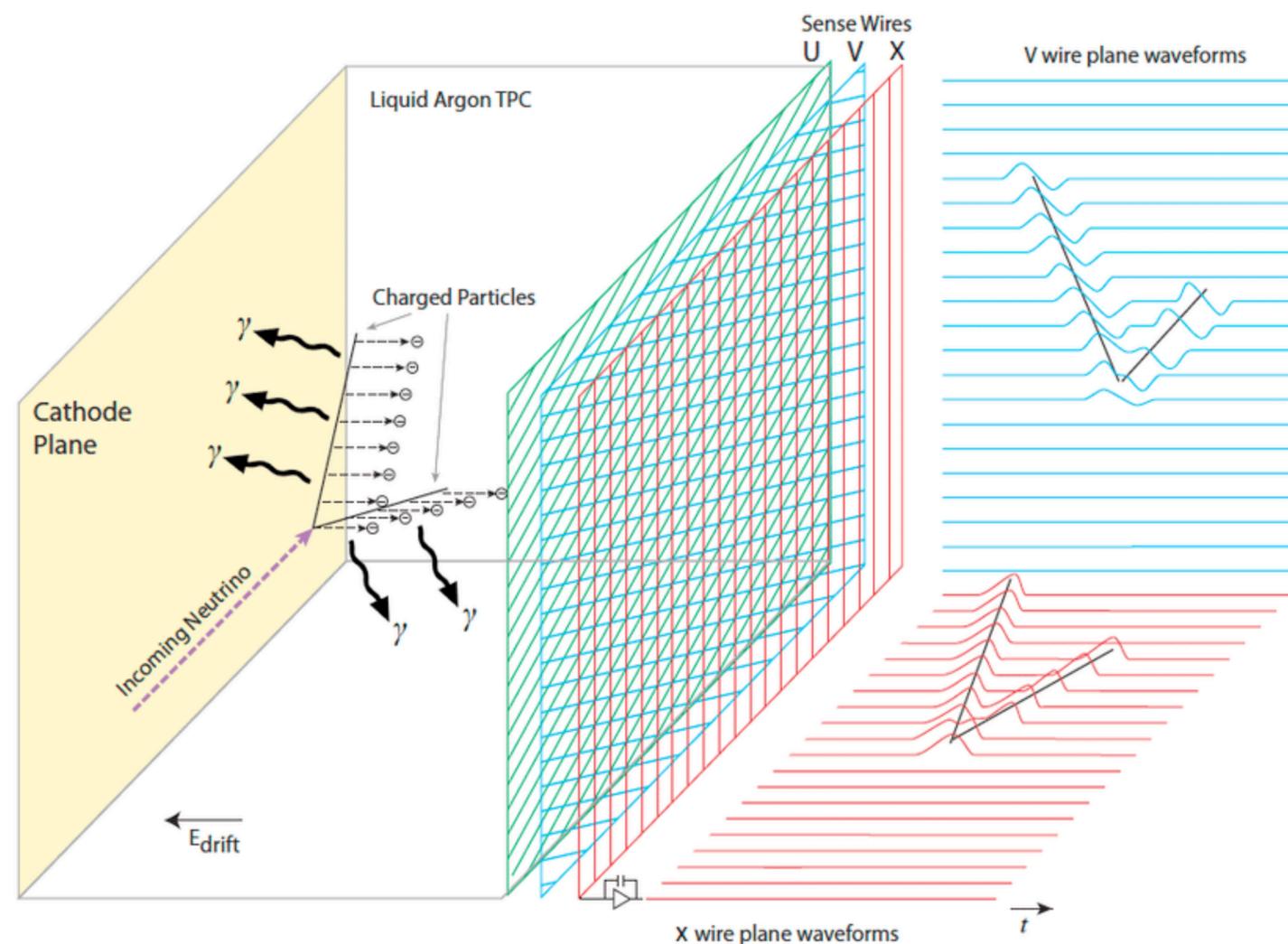
$\bar{\nu}_e$ discovery !



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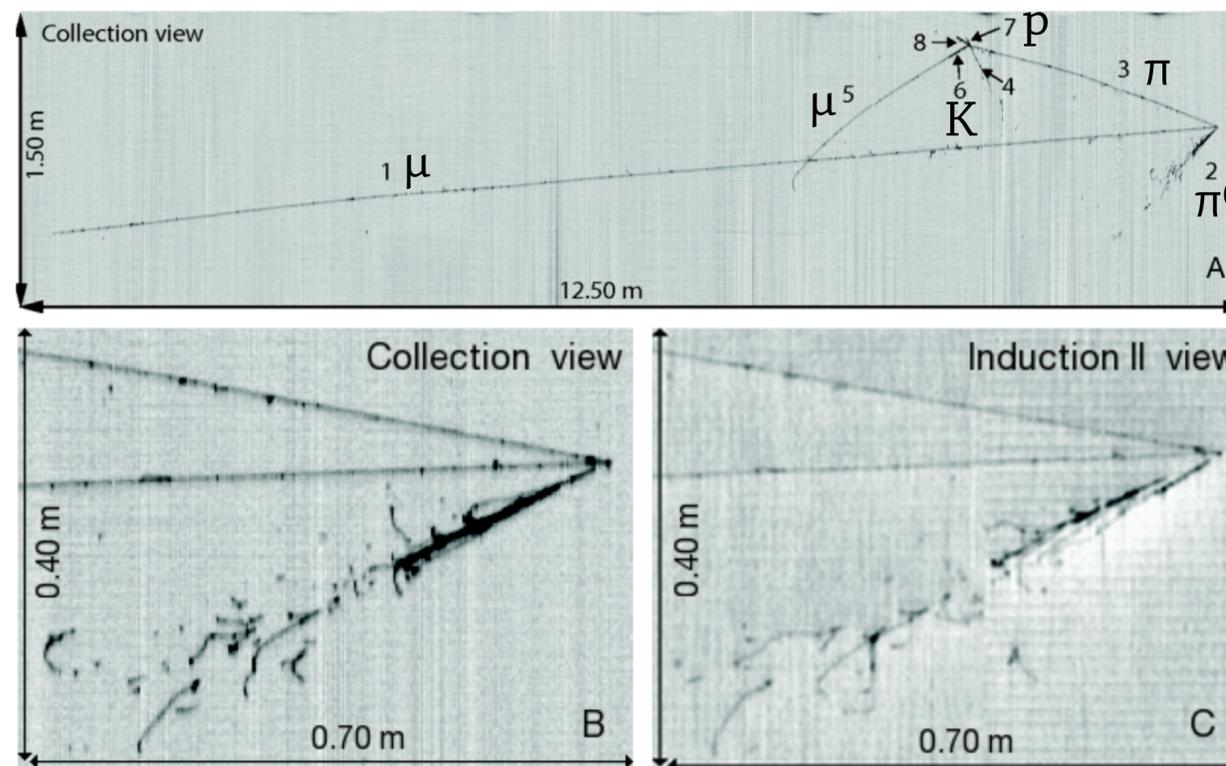
Time Projection Chamber [TPC]

Uses a chamber filled with gas or liquid with an electric field applied across. Free electrons from ionization are drifting towards the anode plane where they are collected : that gives a 2D image. The e^- arrival time provides the 3rd coordinates. The amount of e^- collected/cm is a handle to retrieve the particle identity/energy.



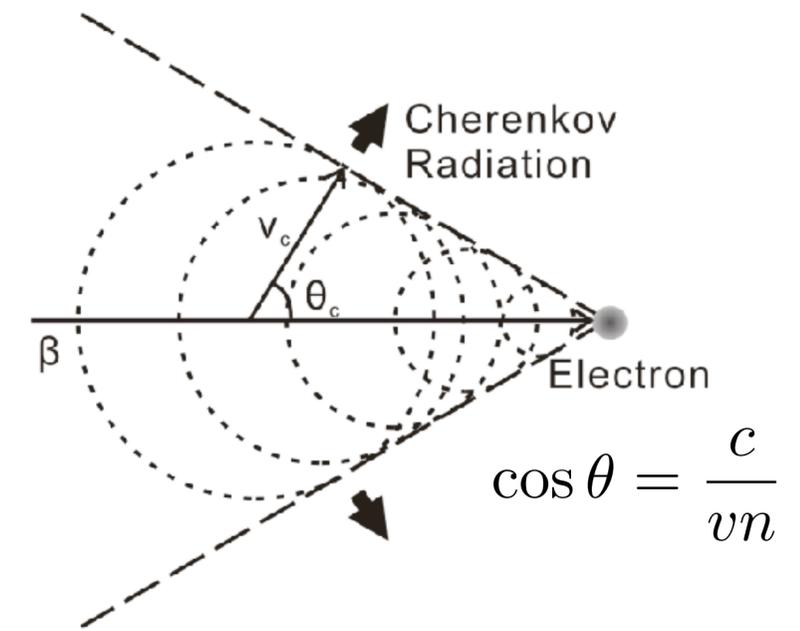
ICARUS experiment in Italy (now in USA)

- ν_{μ} interaction -



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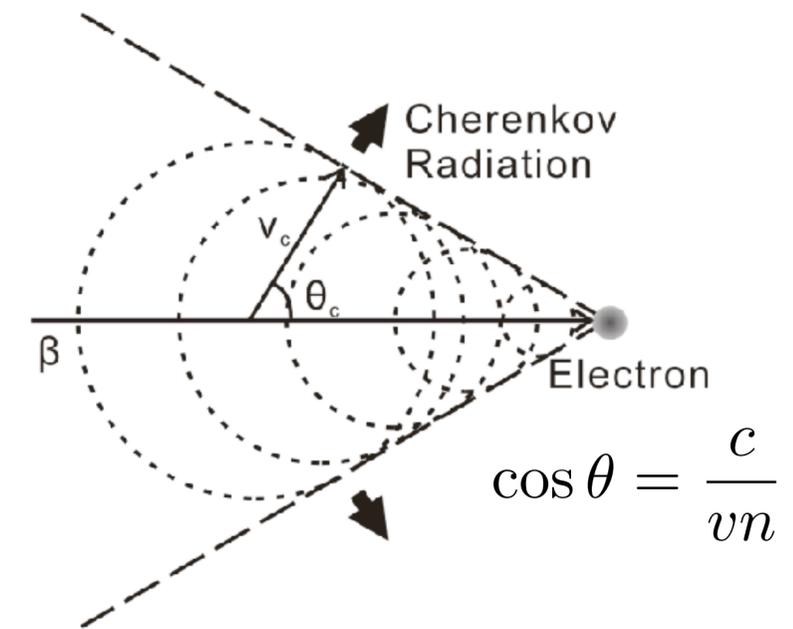


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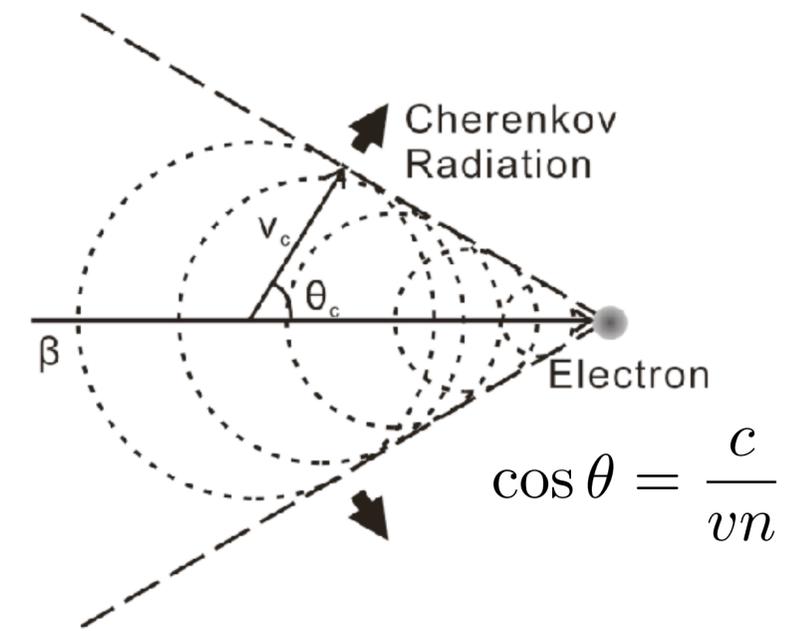
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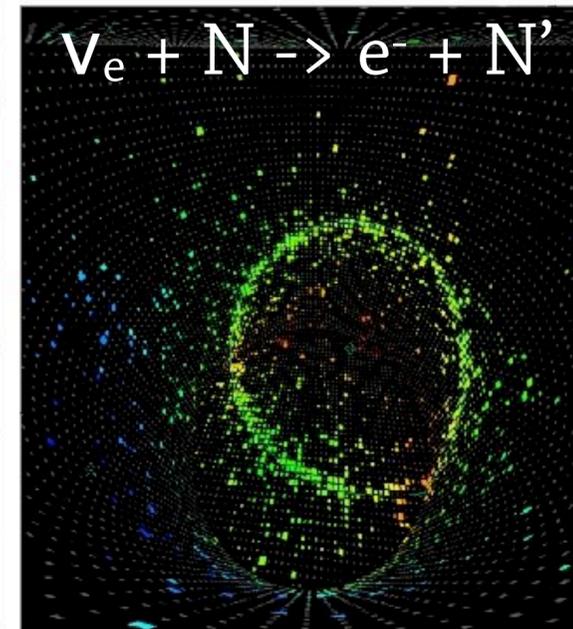
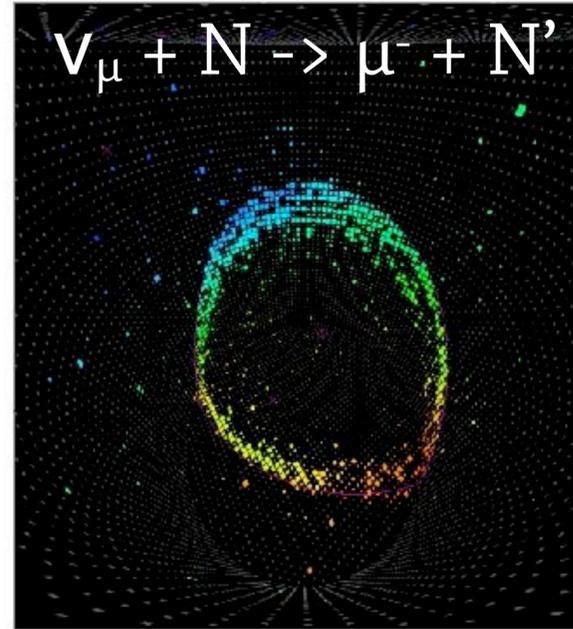
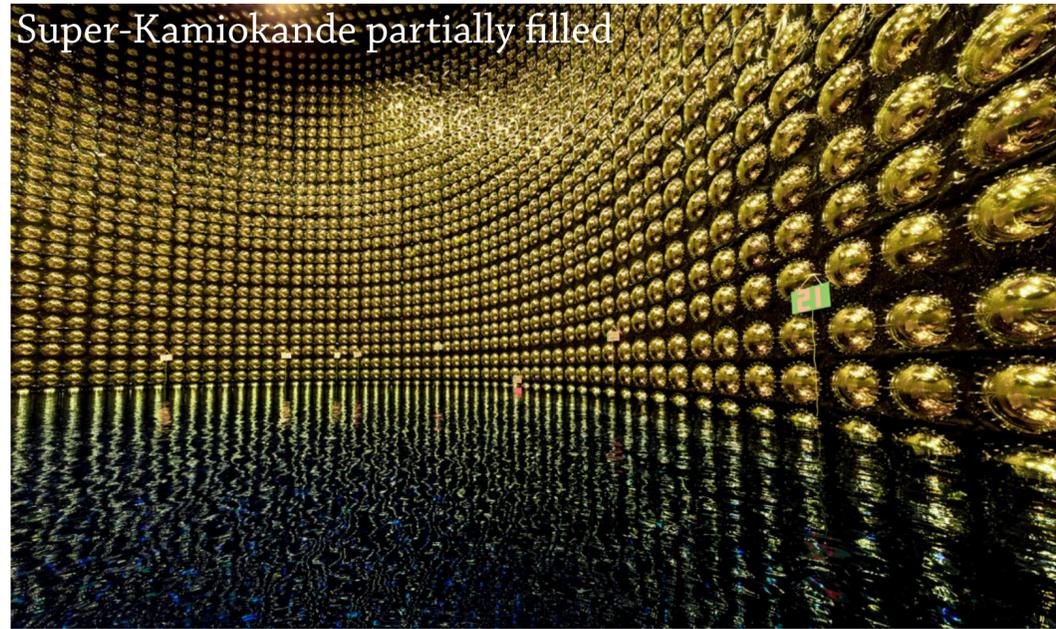
Particle identification using ring shape :

<p>From side</p> <p>short track, no multiple scattering</p>	<p>Ring</p> <p>Sharp Ring</p>	<p>muons: long track, slows down</p>	<p>Sharp Outer Ring with Fuzzy Inner Region</p>
<p>electrons: short track, mult. scat., brems.</p>	<p>Fuzzy Ring</p>	<p>neutral pions: 2 electron-like tracks</p>	<p>Two Fuzzy Rings</p>

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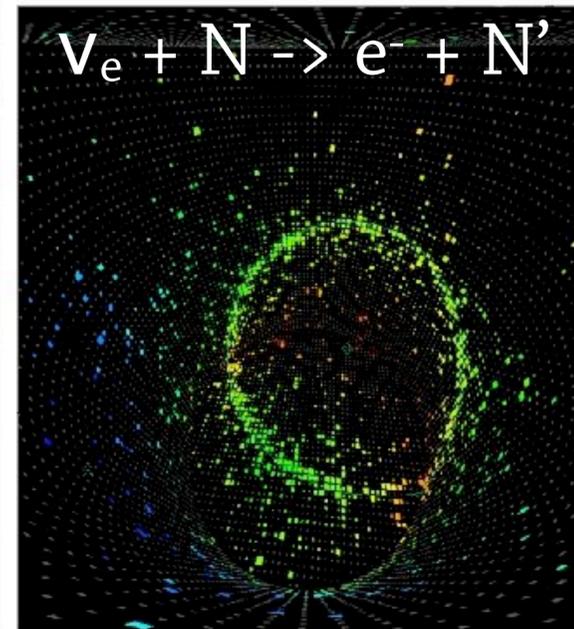
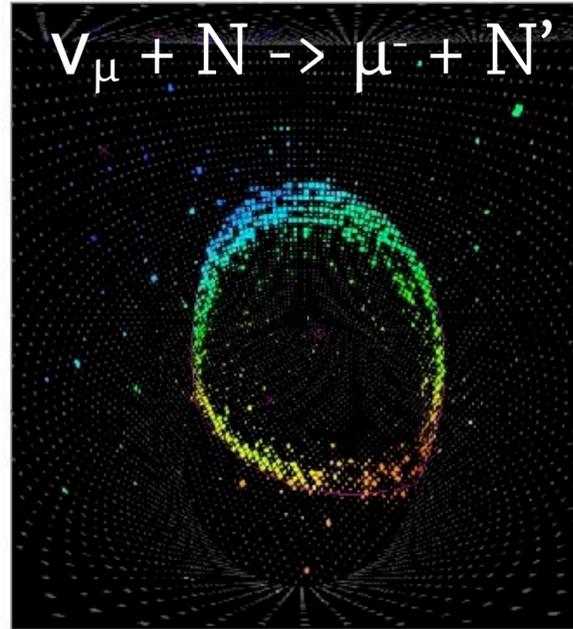
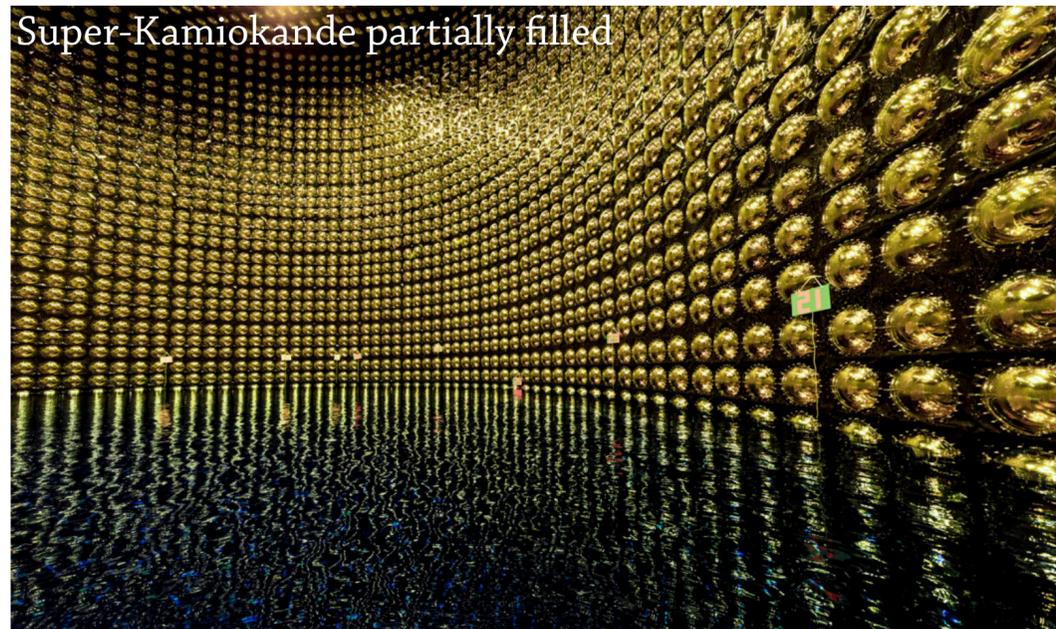


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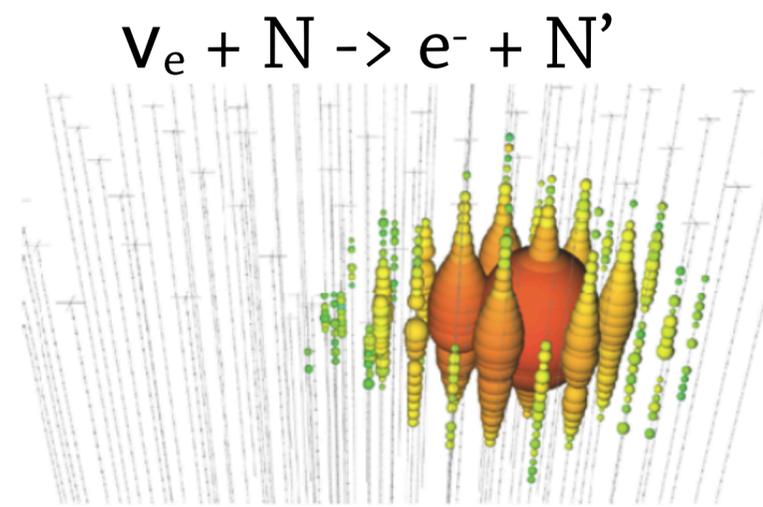
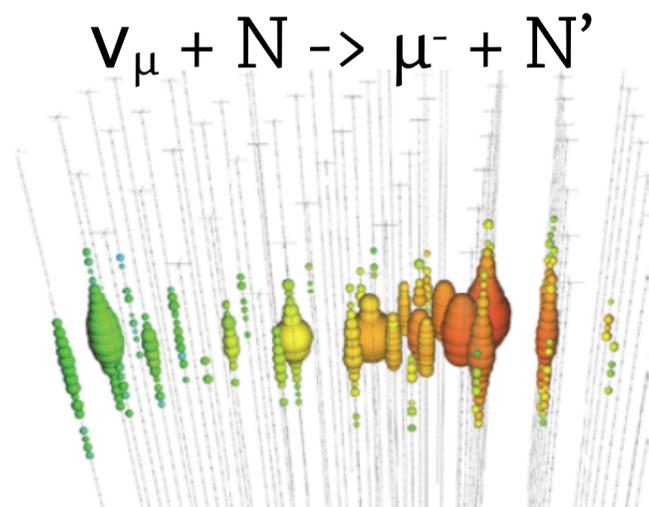
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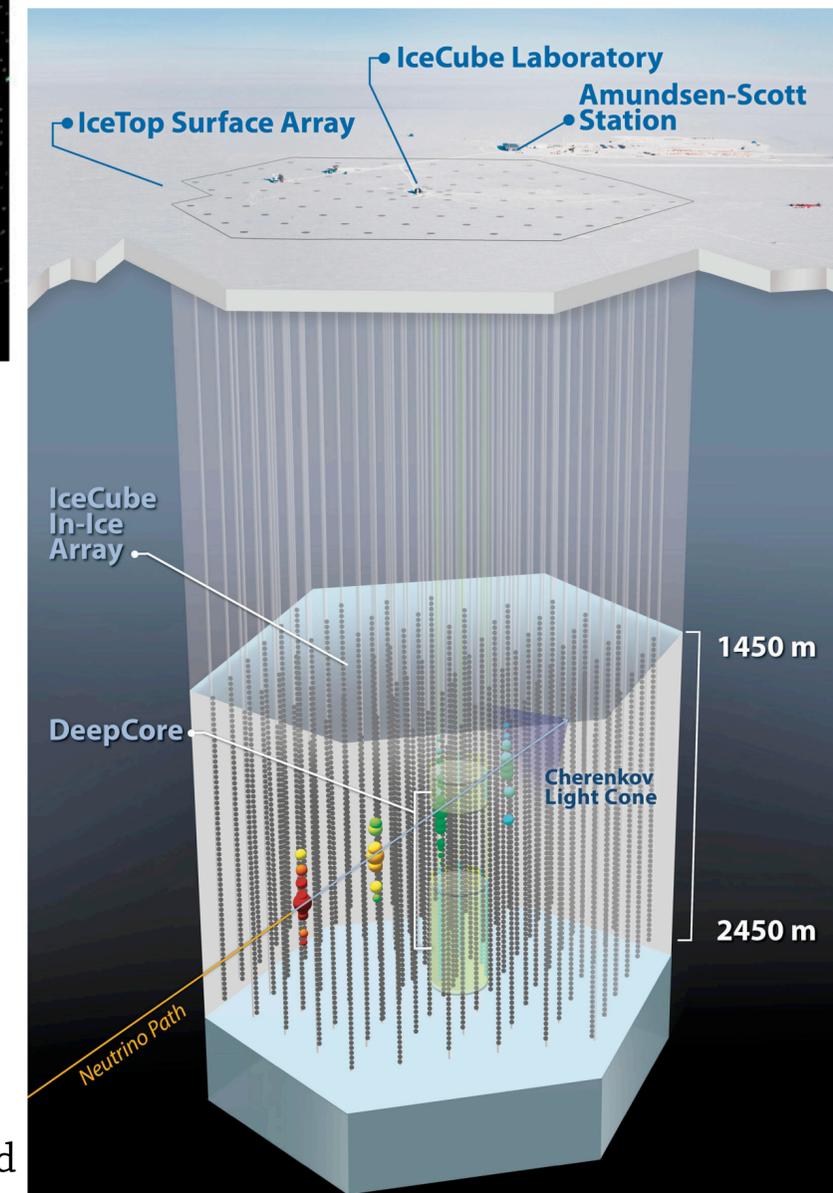
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ICECUBE in Antarctica

Giant detector in ice, equipped with 5k PTMs along 86 strings up to 2.4 km below the surface



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DISCOVERY

OF NEUTRINO

OSCILLATION

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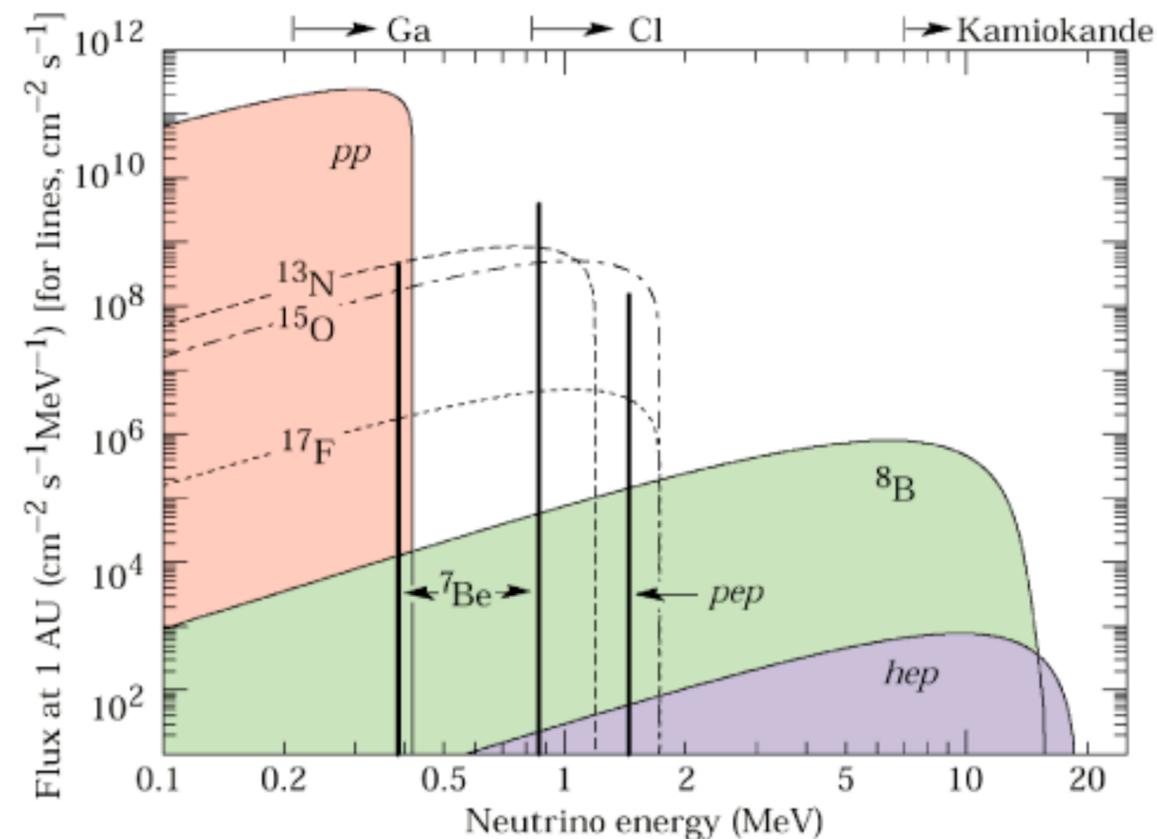
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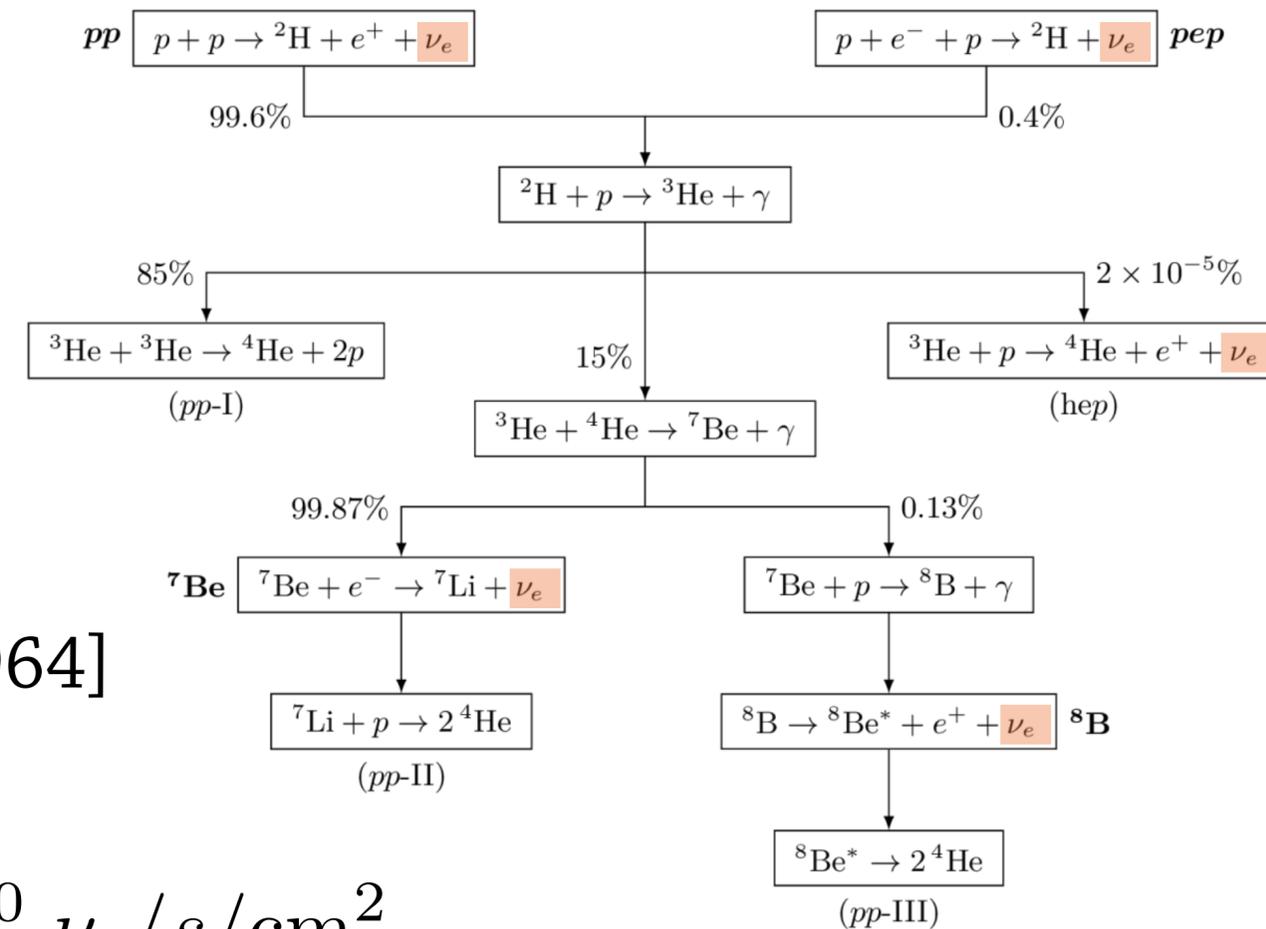
Bahcall made a prediction on the ν_e flux from the sun [1964]



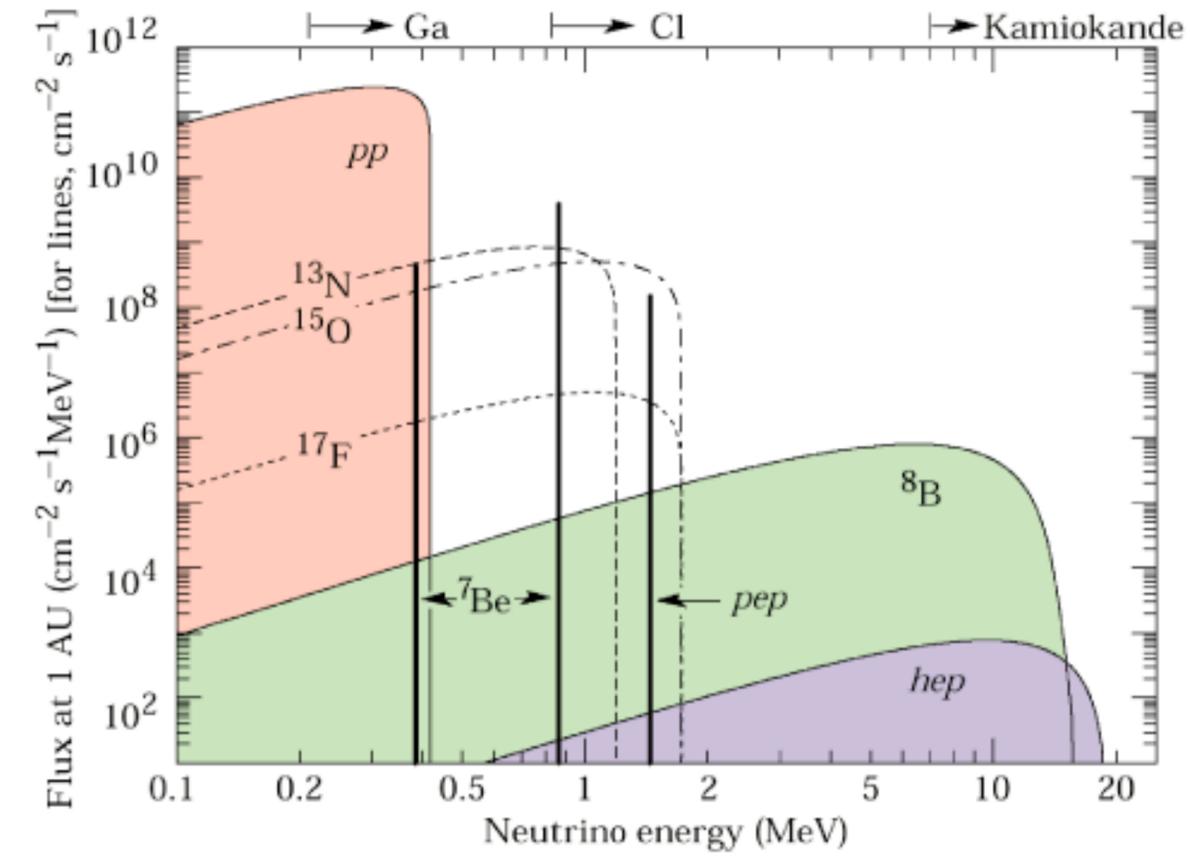
$$\phi_{\nu_e}^{\text{sun}} = 6.4 \times 10^{10} \nu_e / s / \text{cm}^2$$

Neutrinos can escape the sun plasma unaffected. Detecting those neutrino would prove the fusion chain happening inside sun's core.

Proton-proton fusion chain in sun-like stars



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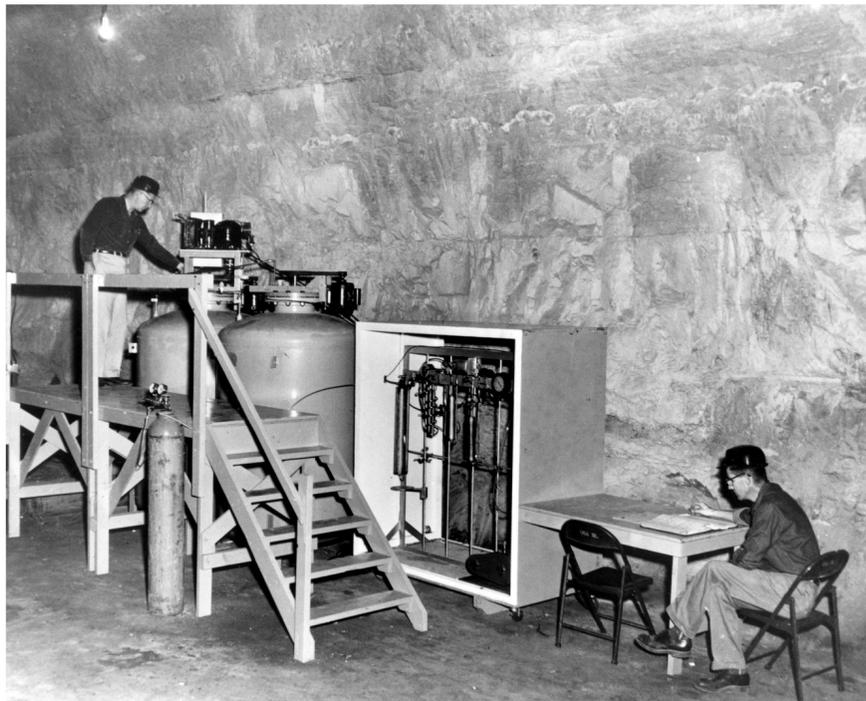


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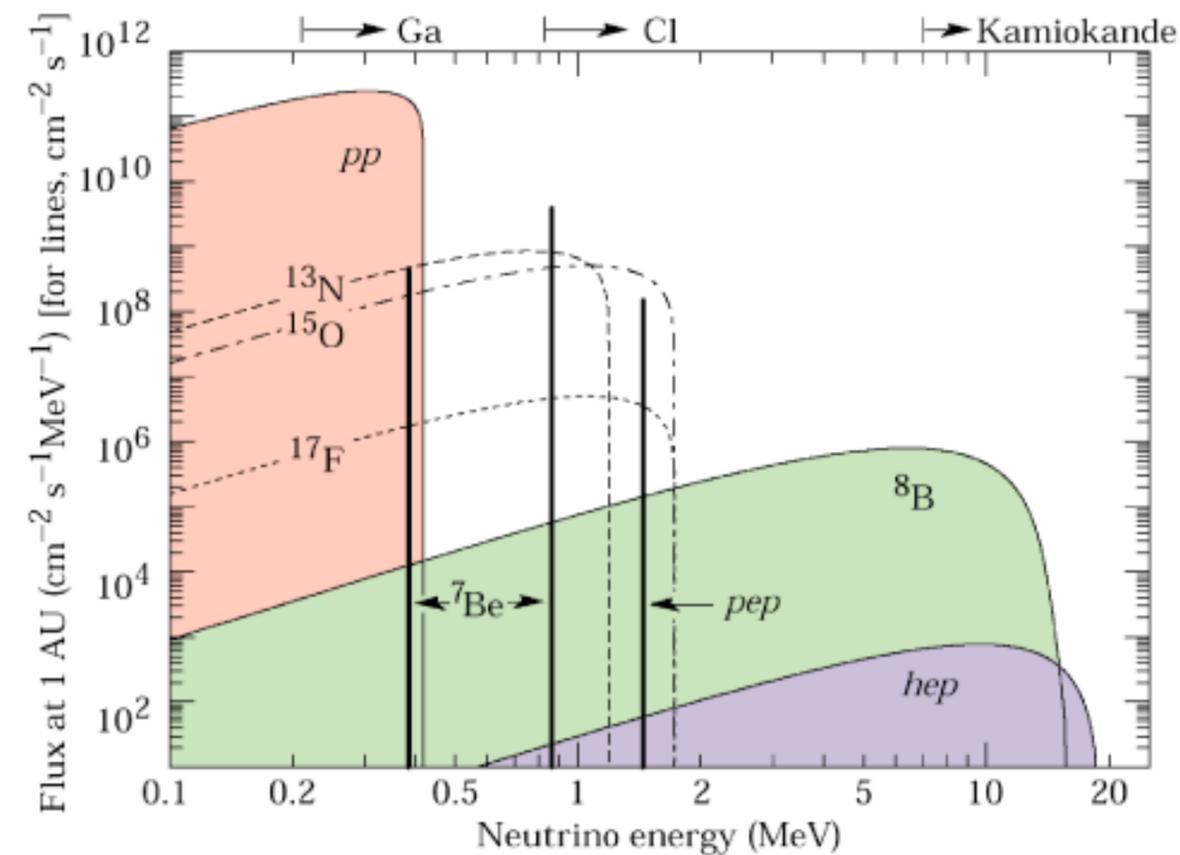


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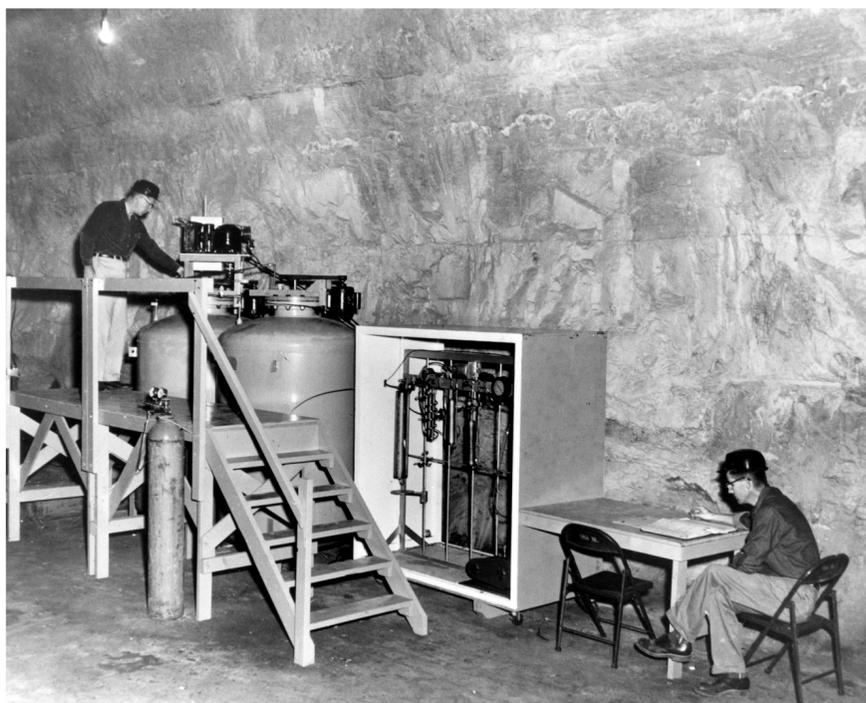
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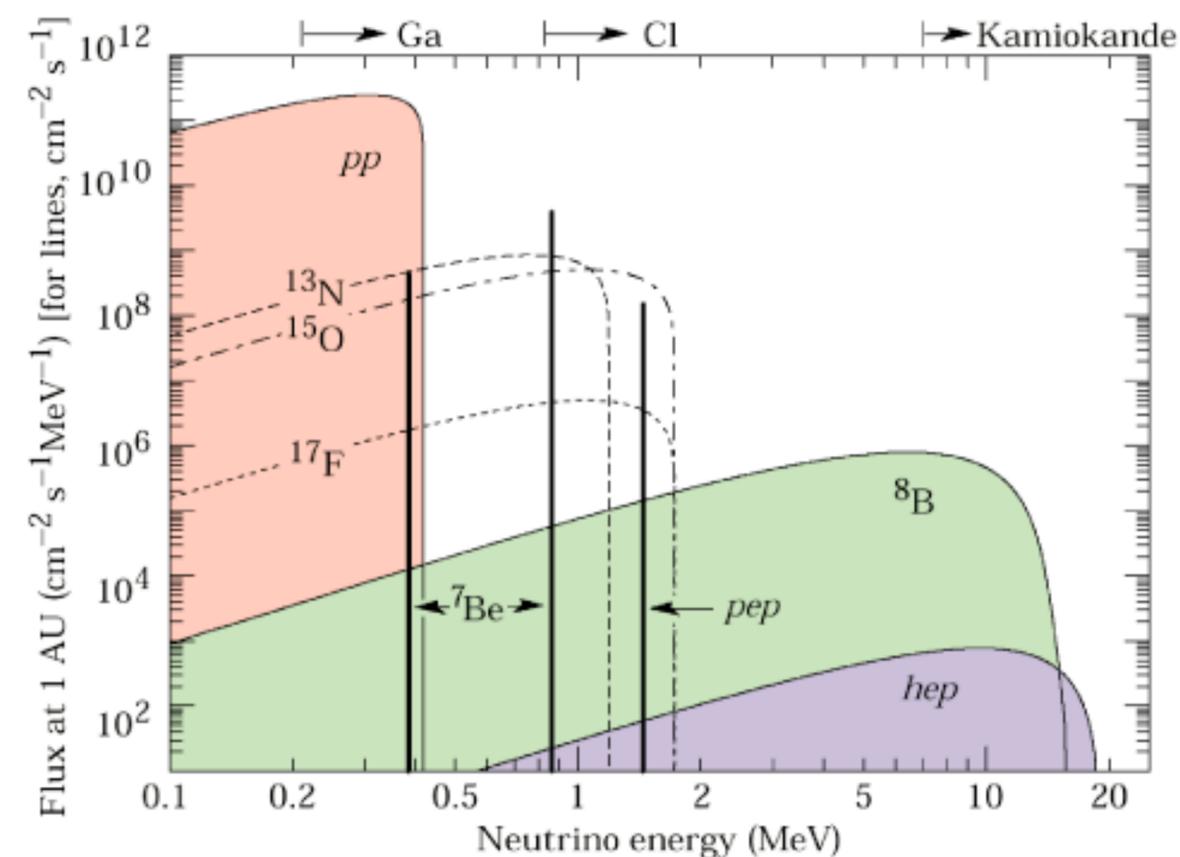


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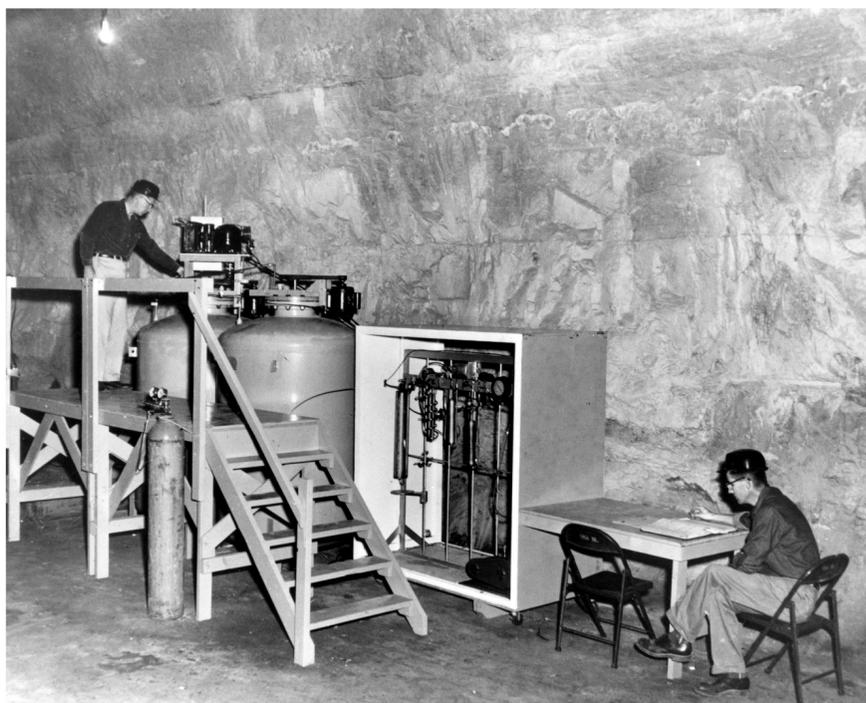
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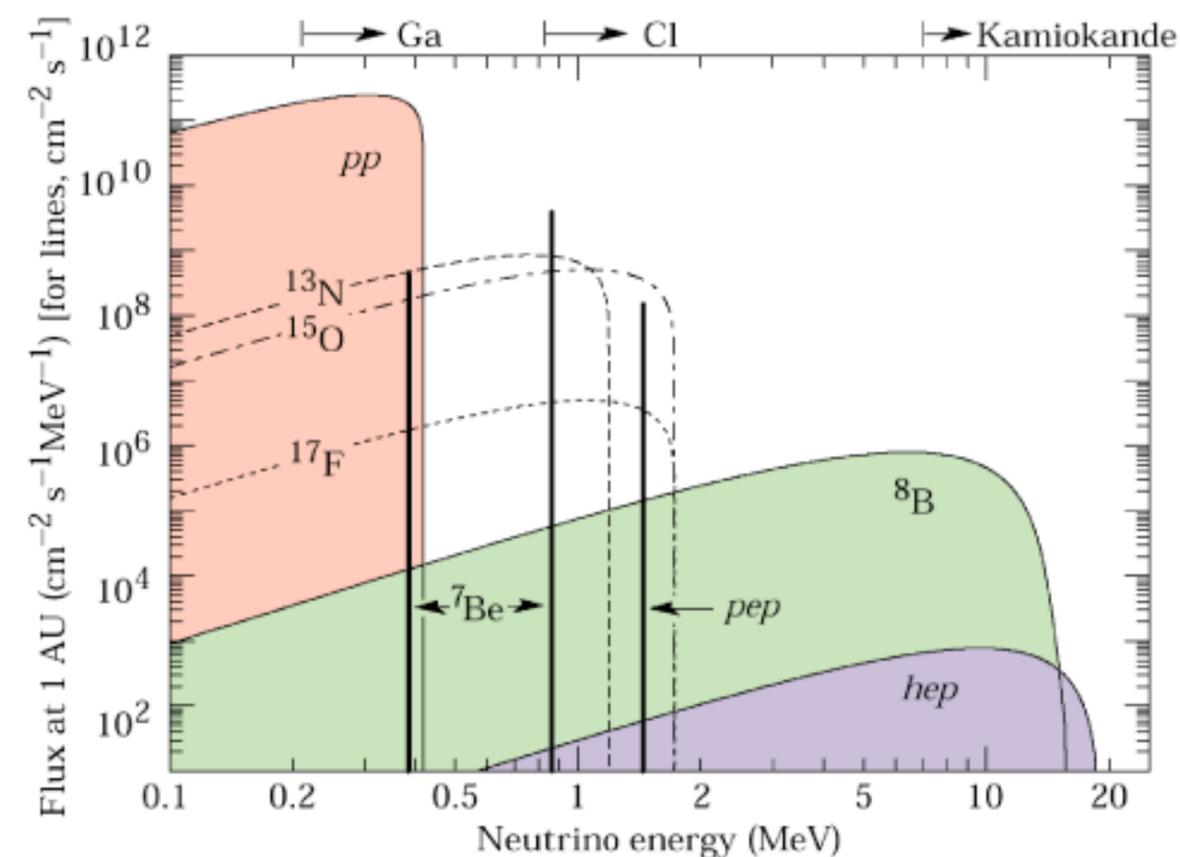


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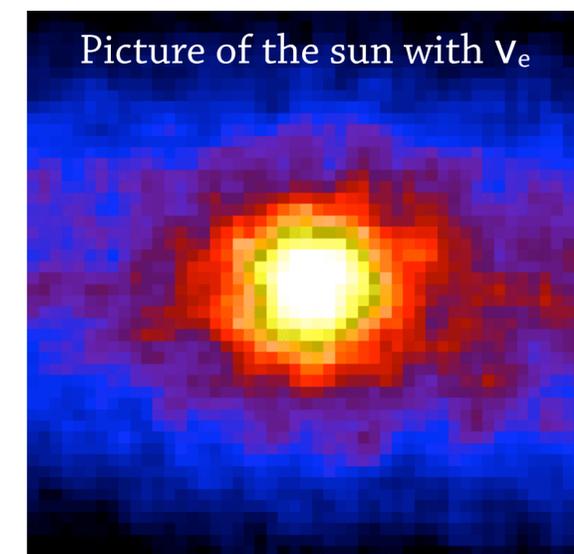
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The **Kamiokande** experiment

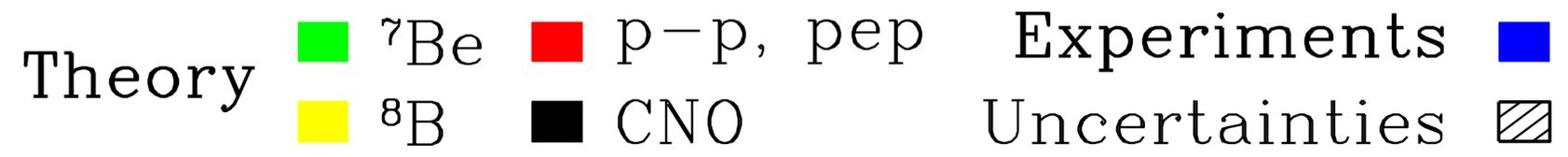
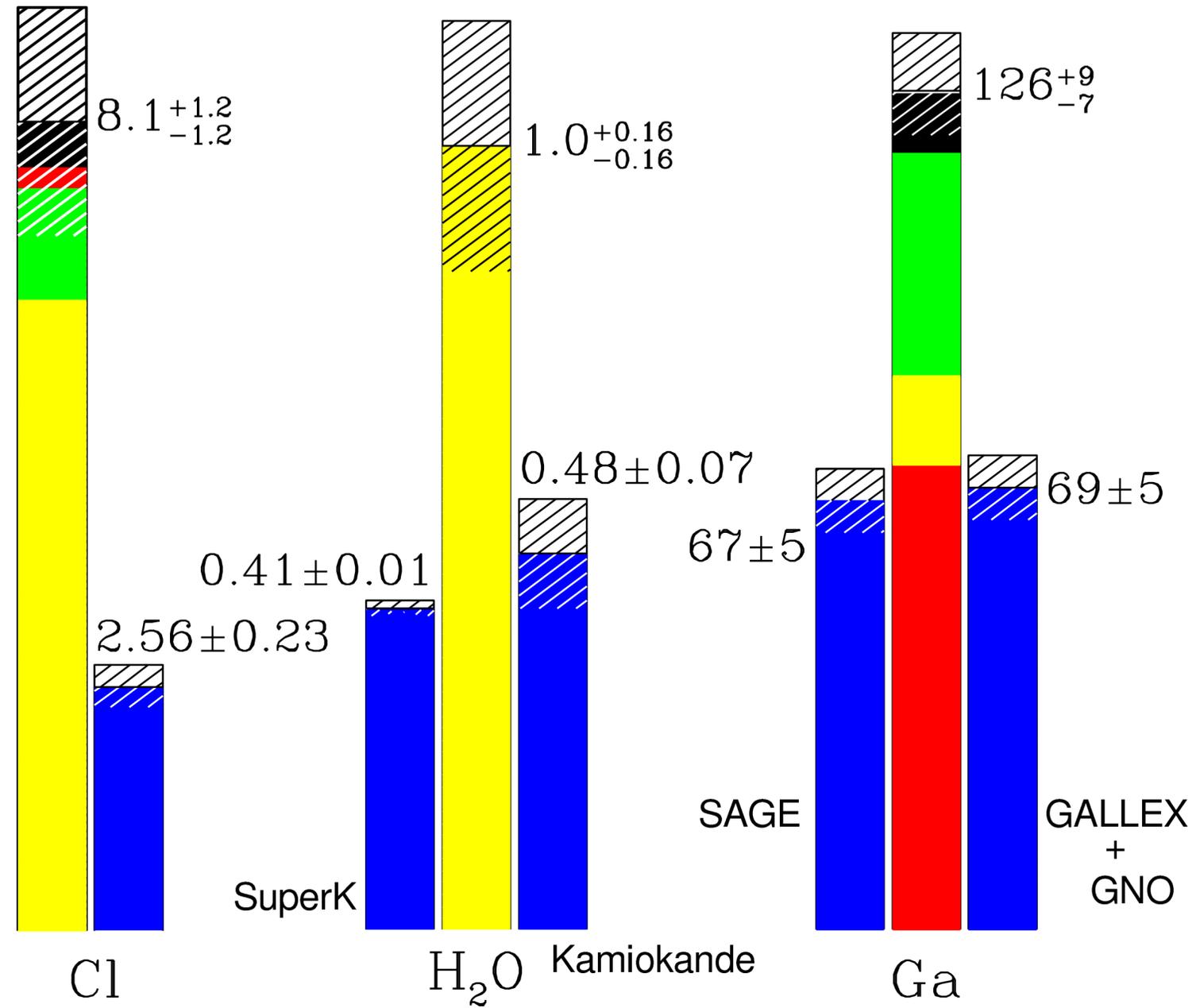
observed solar neutrino through elastic scattering :

$$\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$$

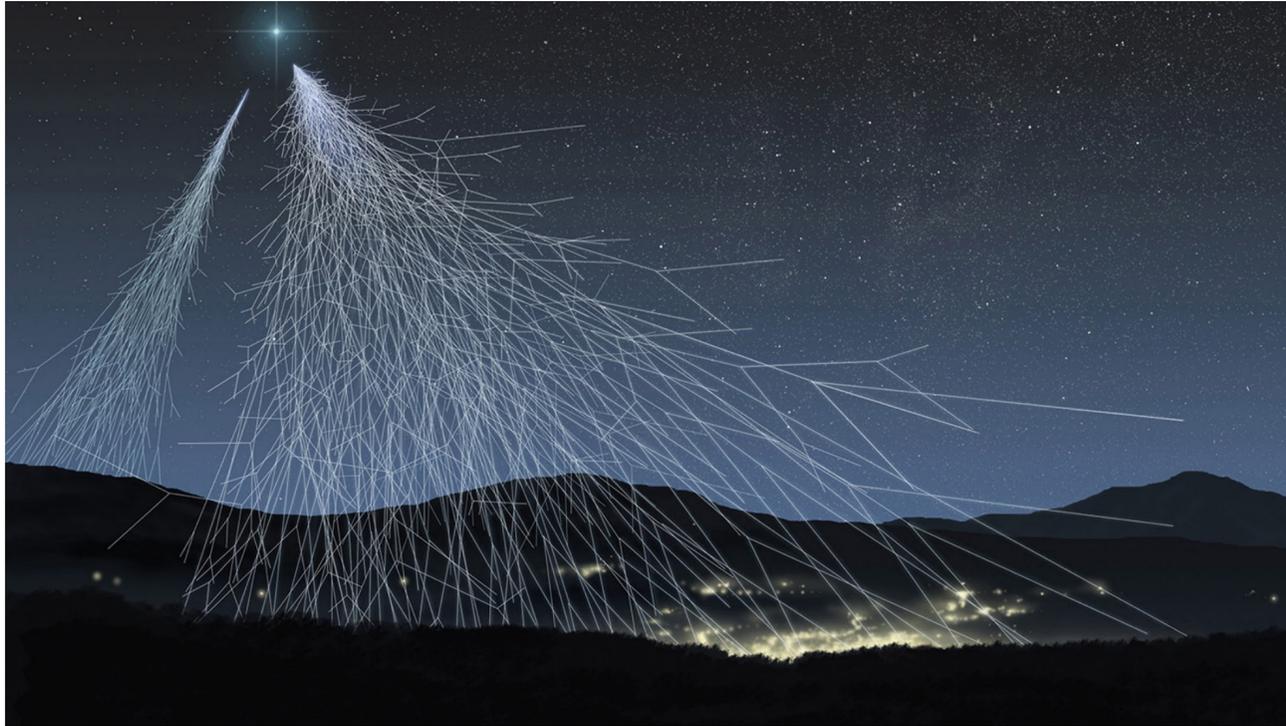
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Solar neutrino deficit



Atmospheric neutrino deficit



In parallel, interest in neutrinos from cosmic rays

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$$p + atm \rightarrow \pi^+ + \dots$$

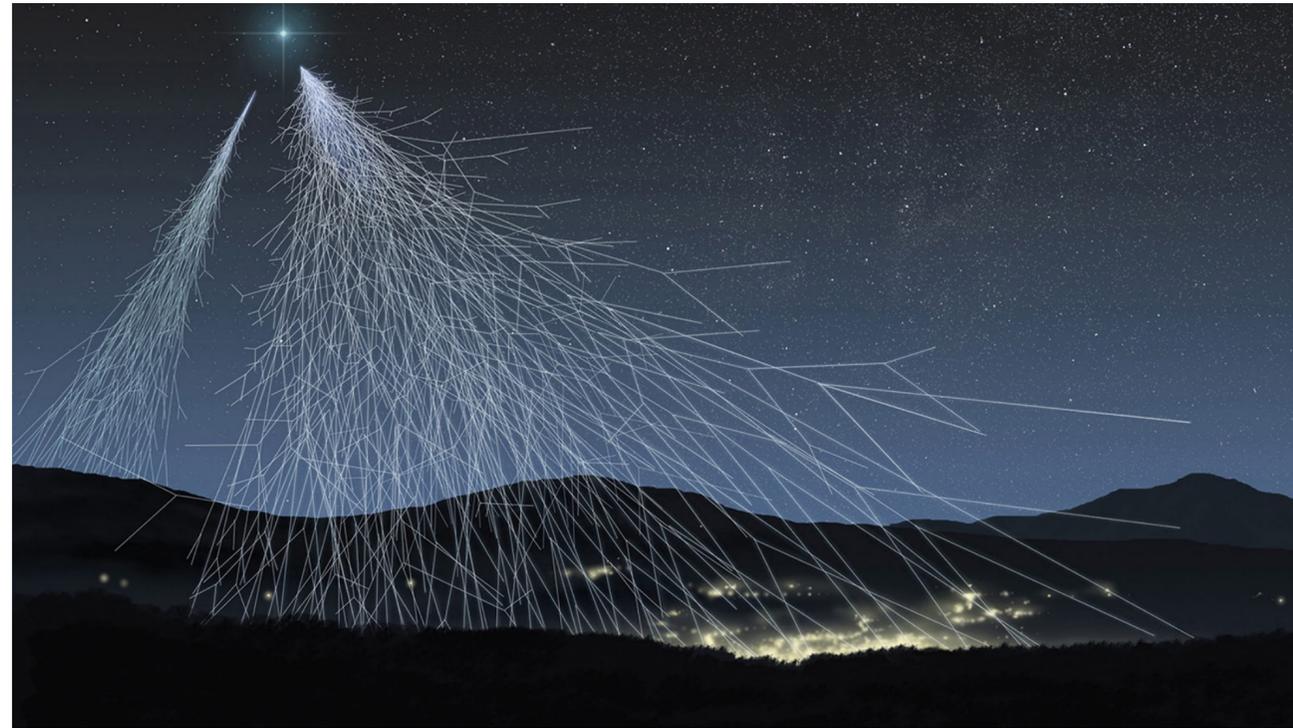
$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

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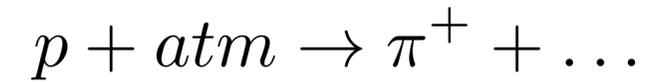
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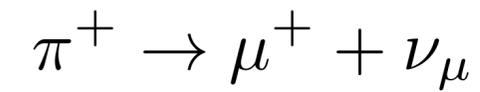


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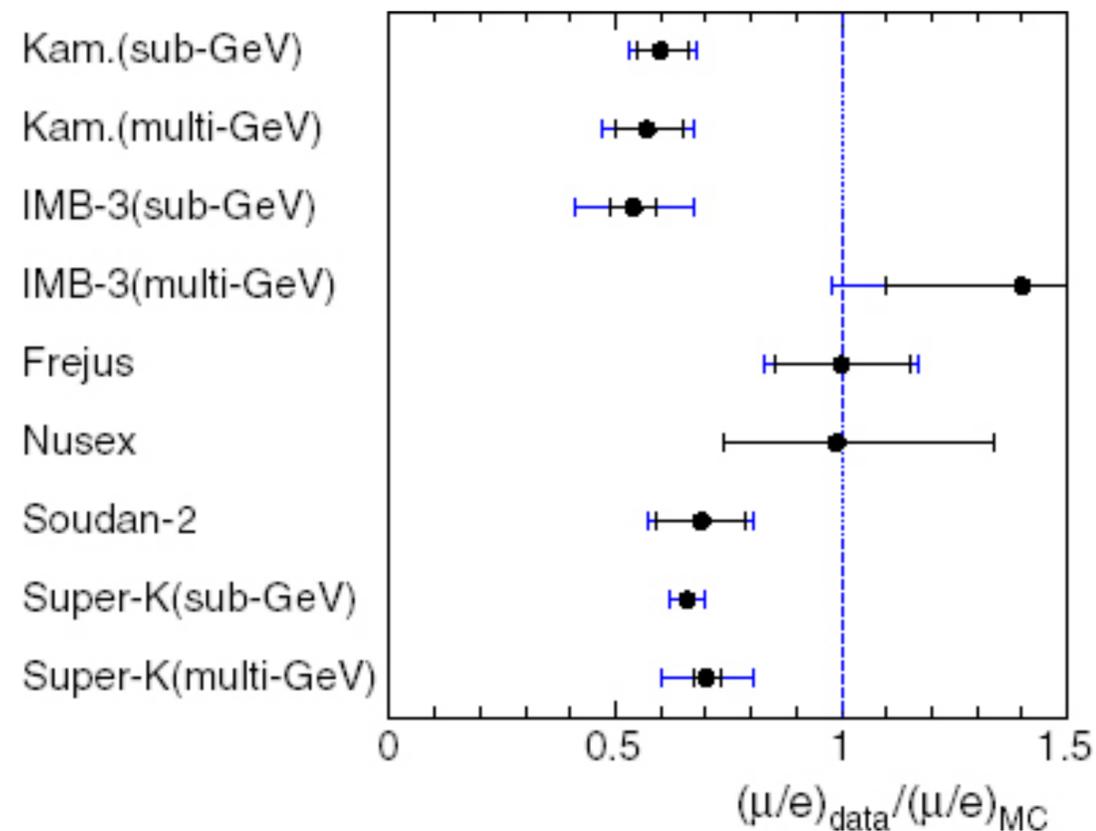
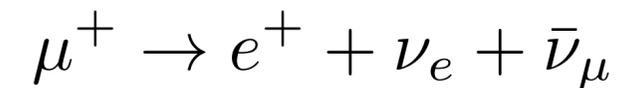
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About 50% ν missing

Understanding the anomalies

- Several hypothesis to explain the anomalies:
 - Problems with fluxes computations, experiments
 - Neutrino behavior: ν -decay, ν -decoherence, flavor changing neutral currents, oscillations, ...
- In 1957, Pontecorvo suggested the $\nu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}$ oscillations, in analogy with $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$ mixing
- Neutrino oscillation principle : Neutrino flavor and mass eigenstates are **not superimposed** but **linked** by a unitary mixing matrix

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i} |\nu_i\rangle$$

$\alpha = (e, \mu, \tau) :=$ Flavor states

$i = (1, 2, 3) :=$ Mass states

$U =$ PMNS unitary mixing matrix

Where PMNS stands for

Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata

Understanding the anomalies

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This implies:

- The eigenstates of the Hamiltonian are $|\nu_j\rangle$ with eigenvalues m_j for neutrinos at rest
- A produced neutrino of type j with momentum p is an energy (or mass) eigenstate with eigenvalue $E_j = \sqrt{p^2 + m_j^2}$
- Neutrinos are produced by weak interactions in weak eigenstates of a definite lepton number ($|\nu_e\rangle$, $|\nu_\mu\rangle$ or $|\nu_\tau\rangle$) that are **not** energy eigenstates, the PMNS matrix links the weak/flavor eigenstates to the energy/mass eigenstates

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→ **Neutrinos can be massive!**

Understanding the anomalies

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This implies:

- The matrix that connects the flavor eigenstates to the mass eigenstates is a rotation matrix
- The basis change should not create nor annihilate neutrinos !

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In practice:

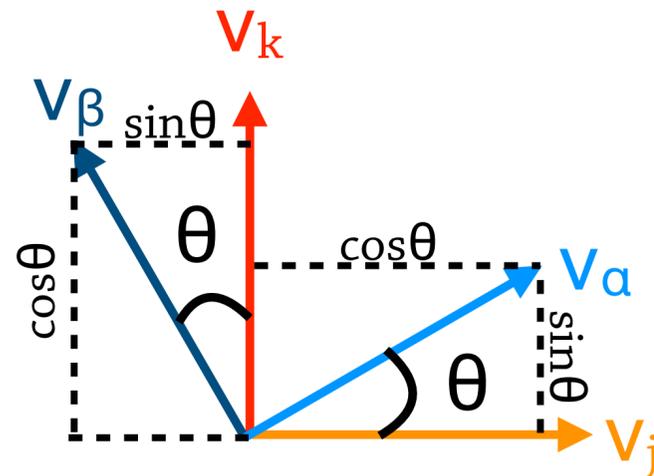
- $UU^\dagger = U^\dagger U = I$
- The sum of the squared values of each row and each column is 1

Simplified case with only two flavor

With only two ν flavors, the 2×2 unitary mixing matrix is equivalent to a rotation matrix:

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

- ν_α ν_β are flavor eigenstates
- ν_j ν_k are mass eigenstates
- θ is the mixing angle



The flavor states can be written as :

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- Finally, let's assume that $E \sim p$ be the average energy of the neutrino mass eigenstates.

The phase simplifies as:

$$-i(E_j - p_j)L \approx -i\left(E + \frac{m_j^2}{2E} - E\right)L = -i\frac{m_j^2}{2E}L$$

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With those approximations, the flavor states evolution with distance now writes as :

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Given how the neutrino states evolve with time, there is a possibility that the neutrino you will detect has a different flavor from its flavor at production

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We finally have:

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Or, using the fact that the mixing matrix is unitary and that we have only two neutrino flavor :

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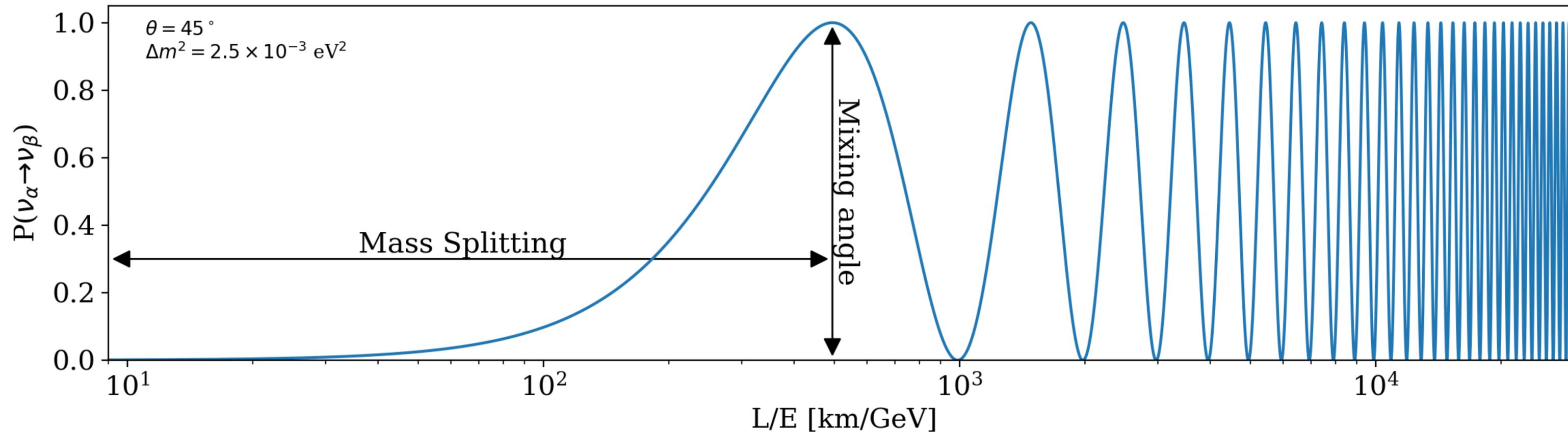
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- L : source → detector distance
- E : neutrino energy

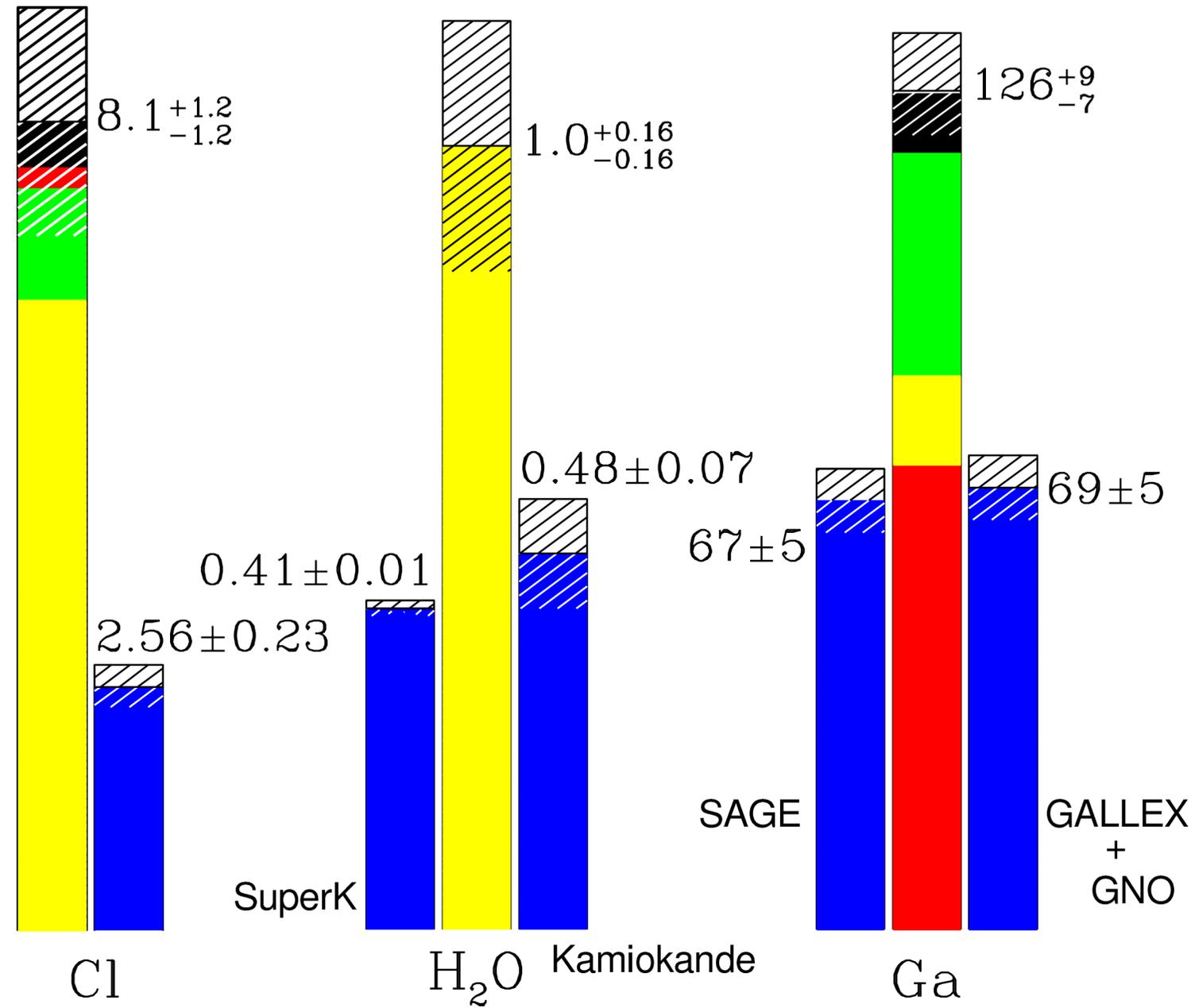
$$\frac{L}{E} \ll \frac{1}{\Delta m^2}$$

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$$\frac{L}{E} \gg \frac{1}{\Delta m^2}$$



Reminder : solar neutrino deficit

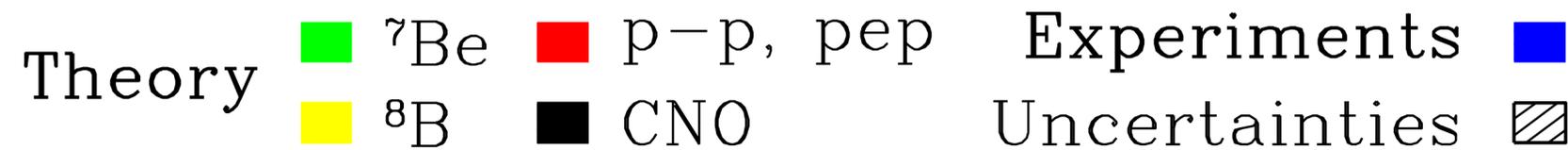


Explanation proposal:

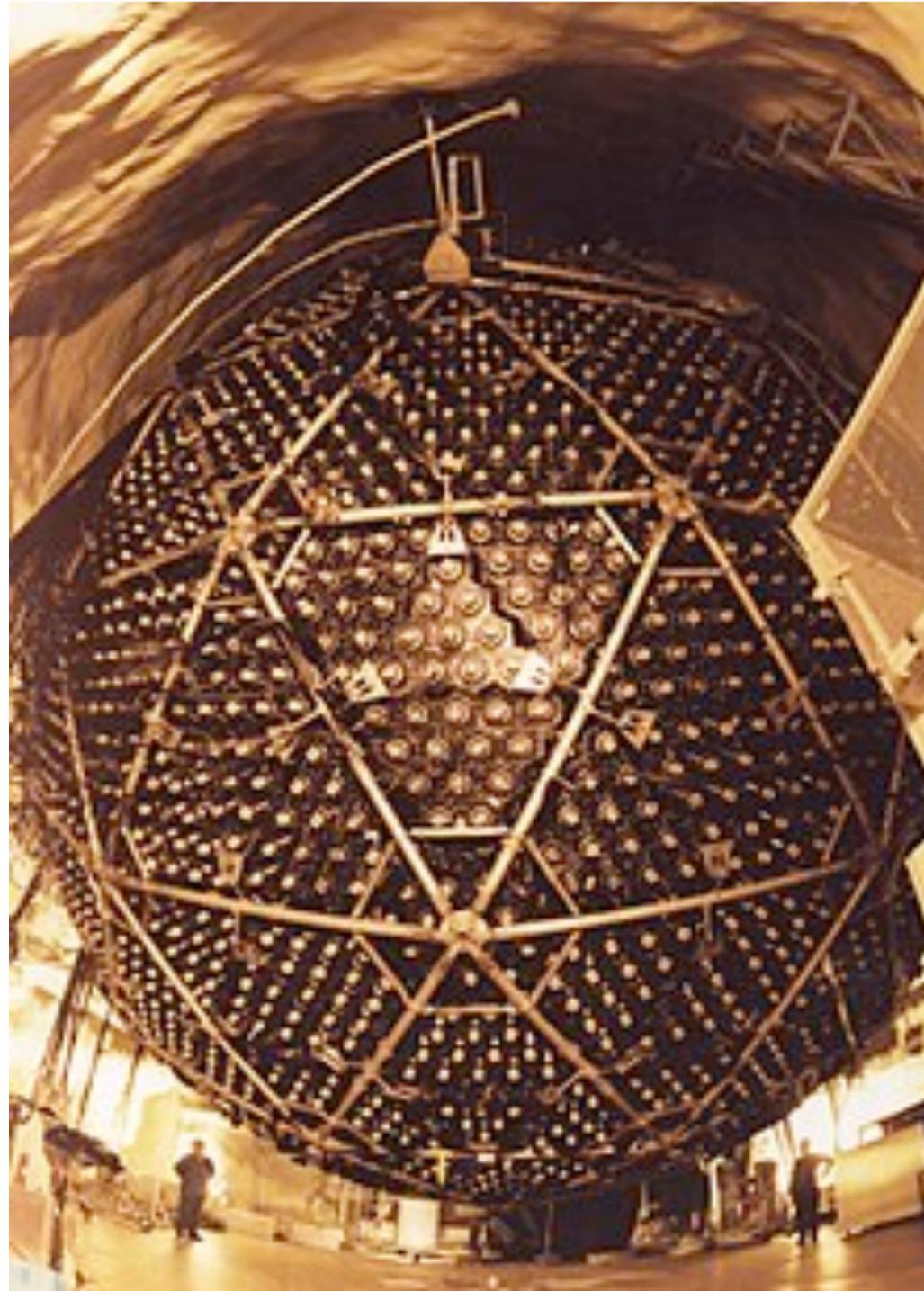
Missing ν_e have oscillated into ν_μ and ν_τ and cannot be detected through CC interactions

$$E_{\text{thr}}(\nu_\mu) = 110 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{\text{thr}}(\nu_\tau) = 3.45 \text{ GeV}$$



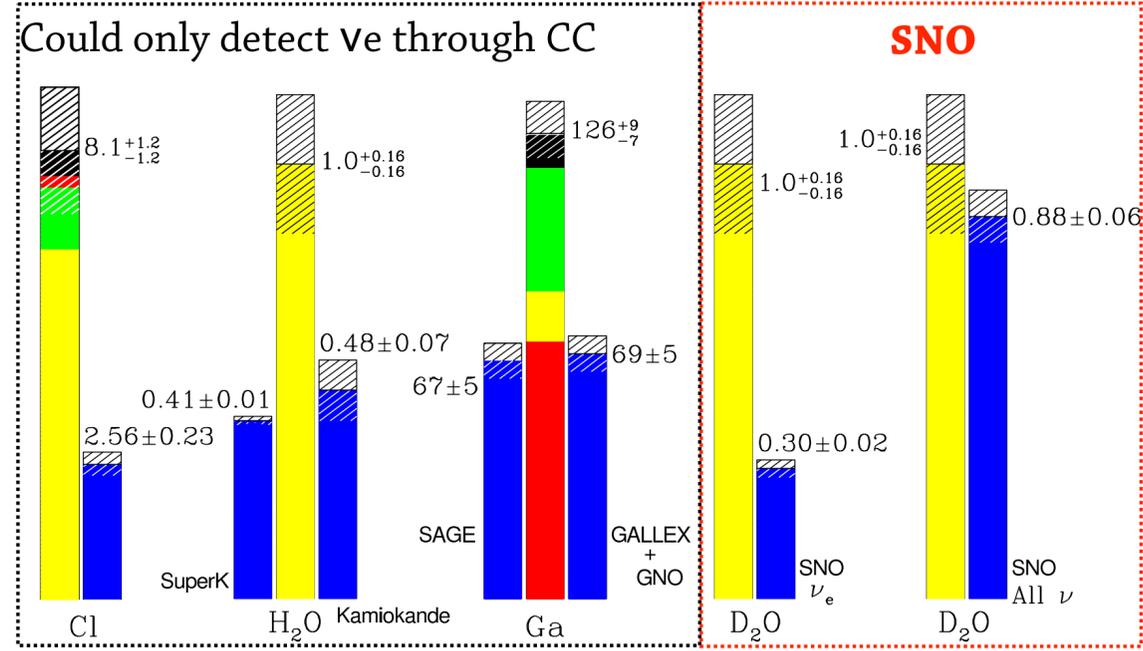
Proofs of neutrino oscillations - Solar



SNO (1kton of heavy water) was designed to detect solar neutrinos through:

- **CC** interactions $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$
 ν_e only (ν_μ & ν_τ don't have enough energy)
- **ES** interactions $\nu_x + e^- \rightarrow \nu_x + e^-$
all flavors
- **NC** interactions $\nu_x + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu_x$
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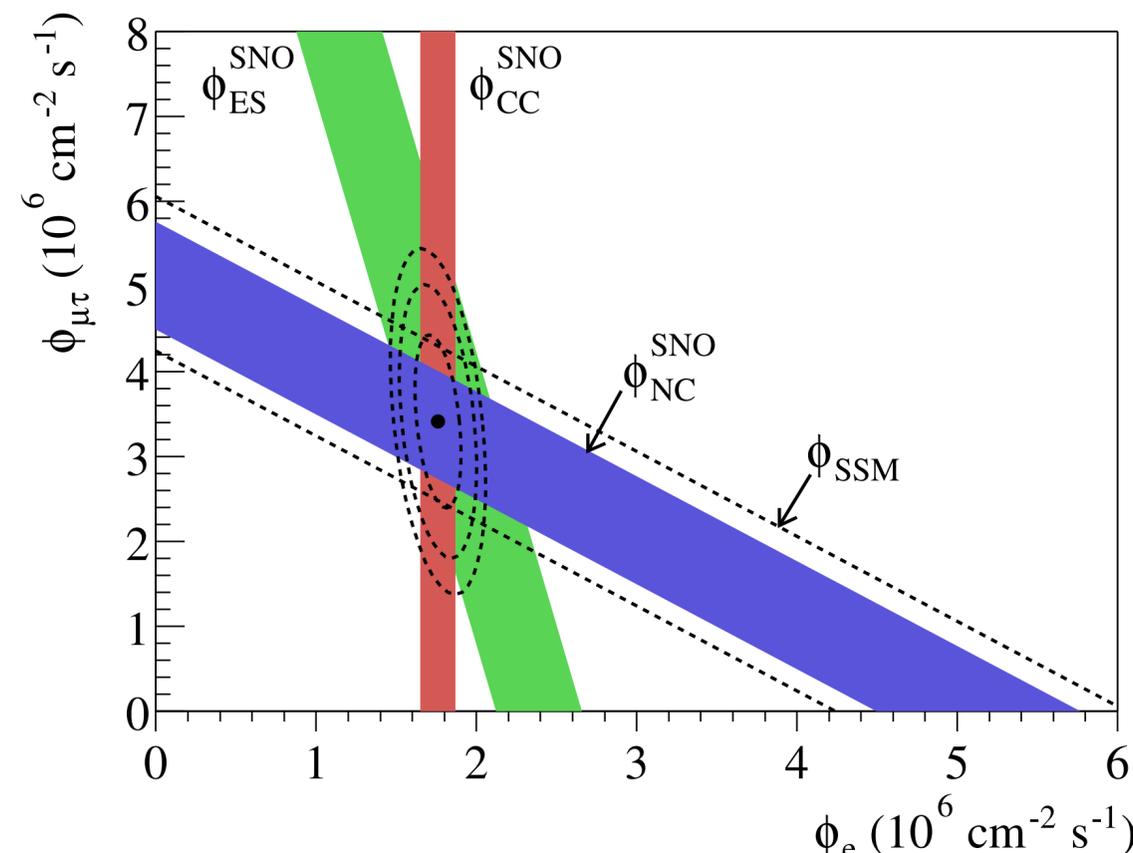
Proofs of neutrino oscillations - Solar



Theory: ^7Be (green), ^8B (yellow), p-p, pep (red), CNO (black)
 Experiments: SuperK (blue), SAGE (red), GALLEX+GNO (blue), SNO ν_e (blue), SNO All ν (blue)
 Uncertainties: hatched pattern

SNO (1kton of heavy water) was designed to detect solar neutrinos through:

- **CC** interactions $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$
 ν_e only (ν_μ & ν_τ don't have enough energy)
- **ES** interactions $\nu_x + e^- \rightarrow \nu_x + e^-$
 all flavors
- **NC** interactions $\nu_x + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu_x$
 all flavors



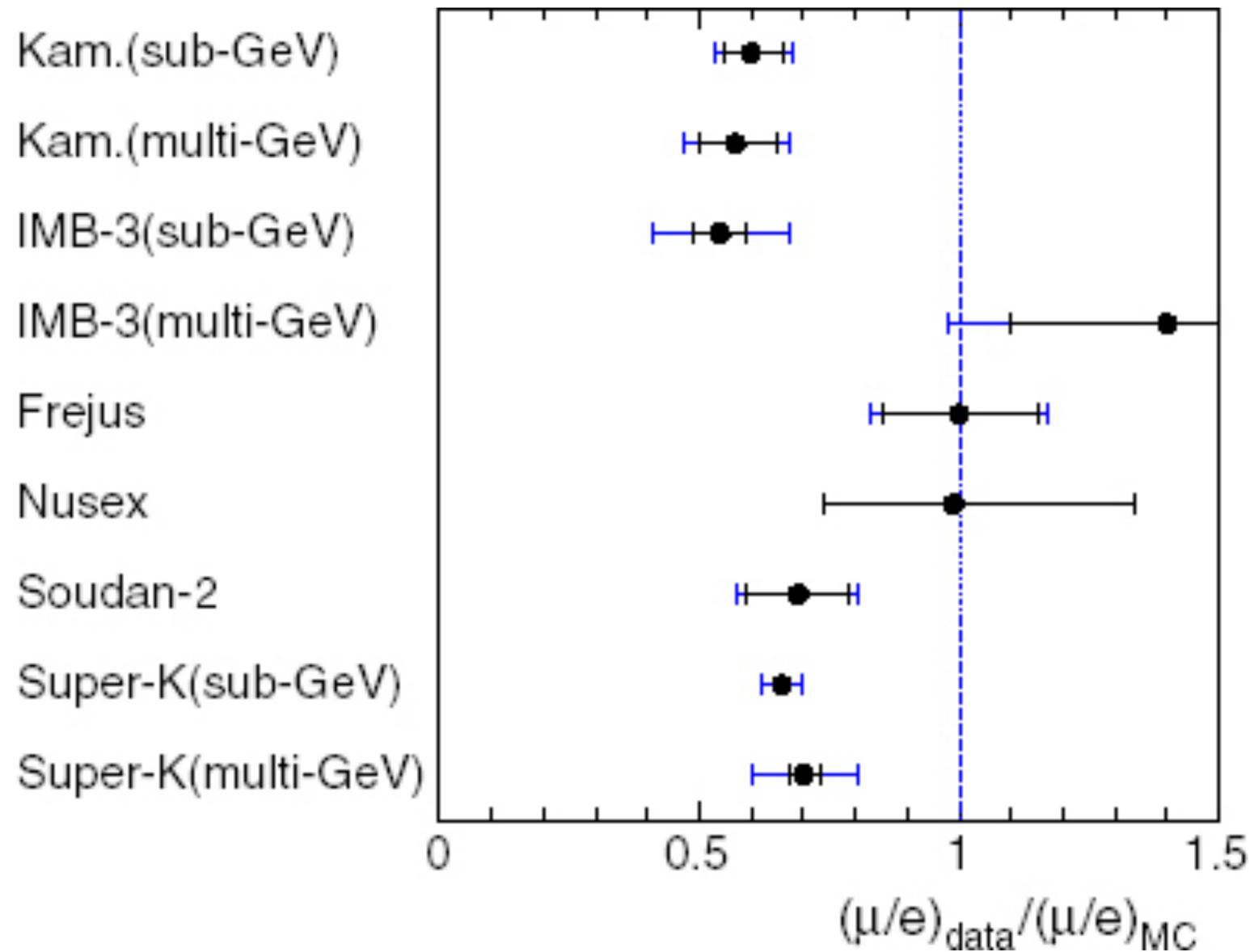
SNO measured the ratio : $\frac{\Phi_{CC}}{\Phi_{NC}} = 0.34 \pm 0.023(\text{stat.})^{+0.029}_{-0.031}$

And showed that the **total** flux of solar neutrino is **compatible** with the solar standard model

SNO proved that neutrino change flavors



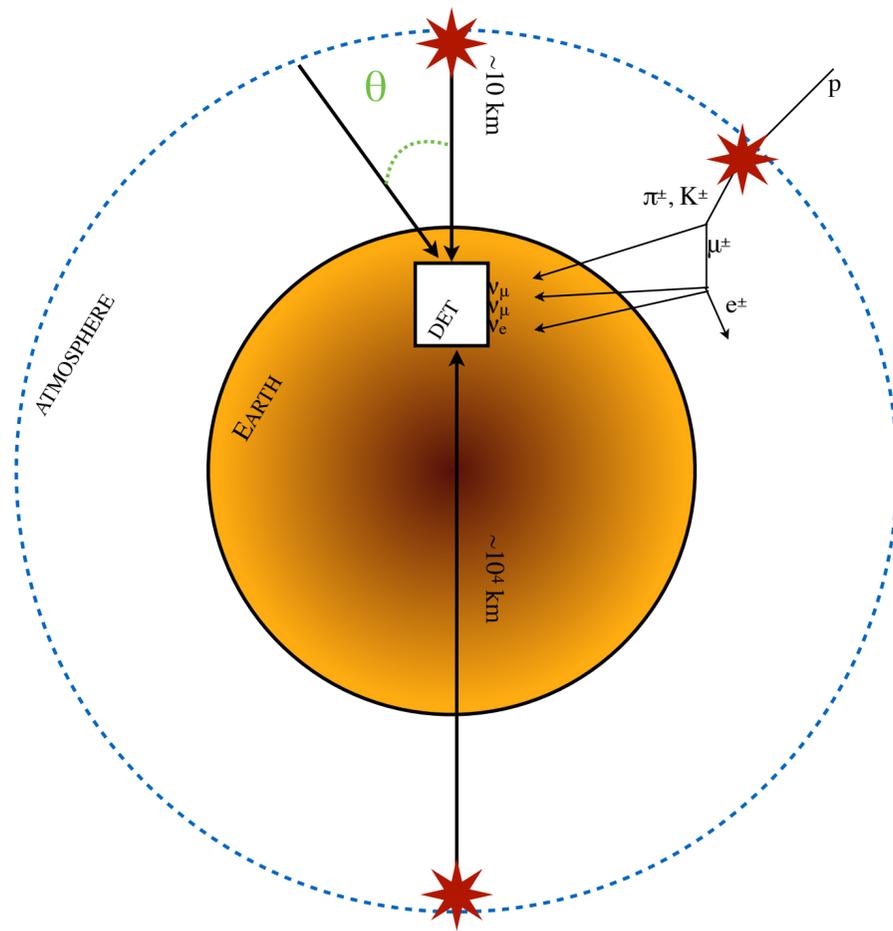
Reminder : Atmospheric neutrino deficit



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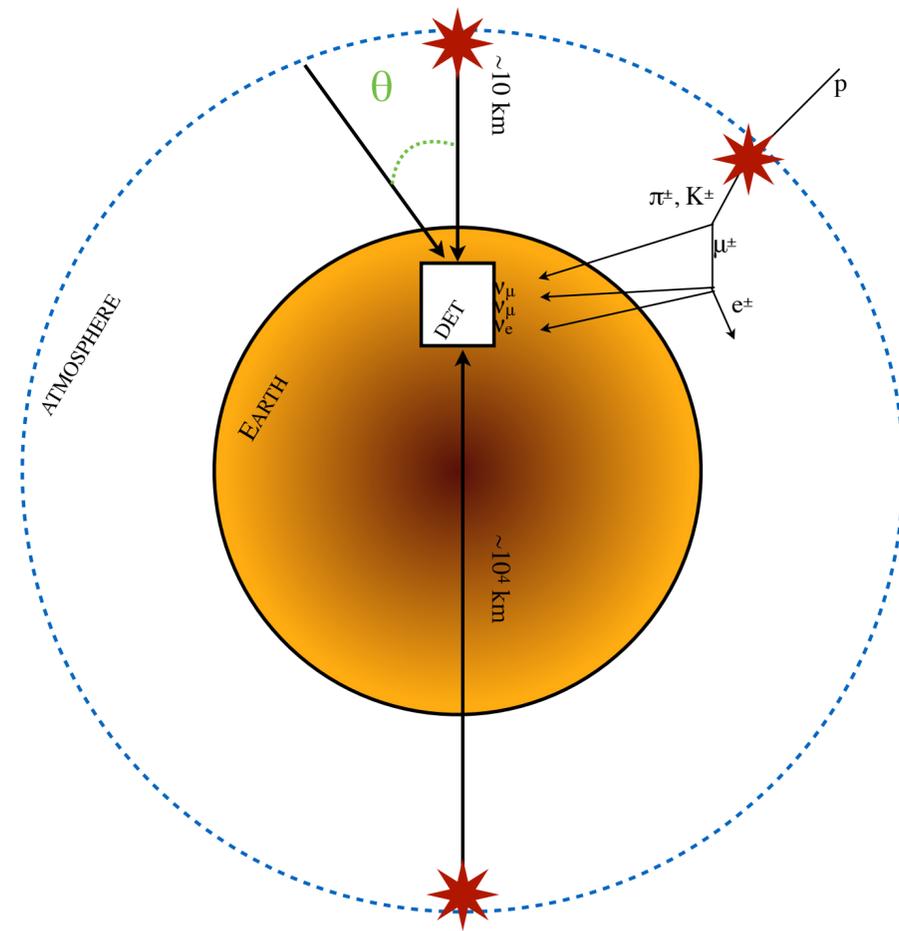
Produced ν_μ and ν_e oscillates, we should see the L/E dependance

Proofs of neutrino oscillations - Atmospheric

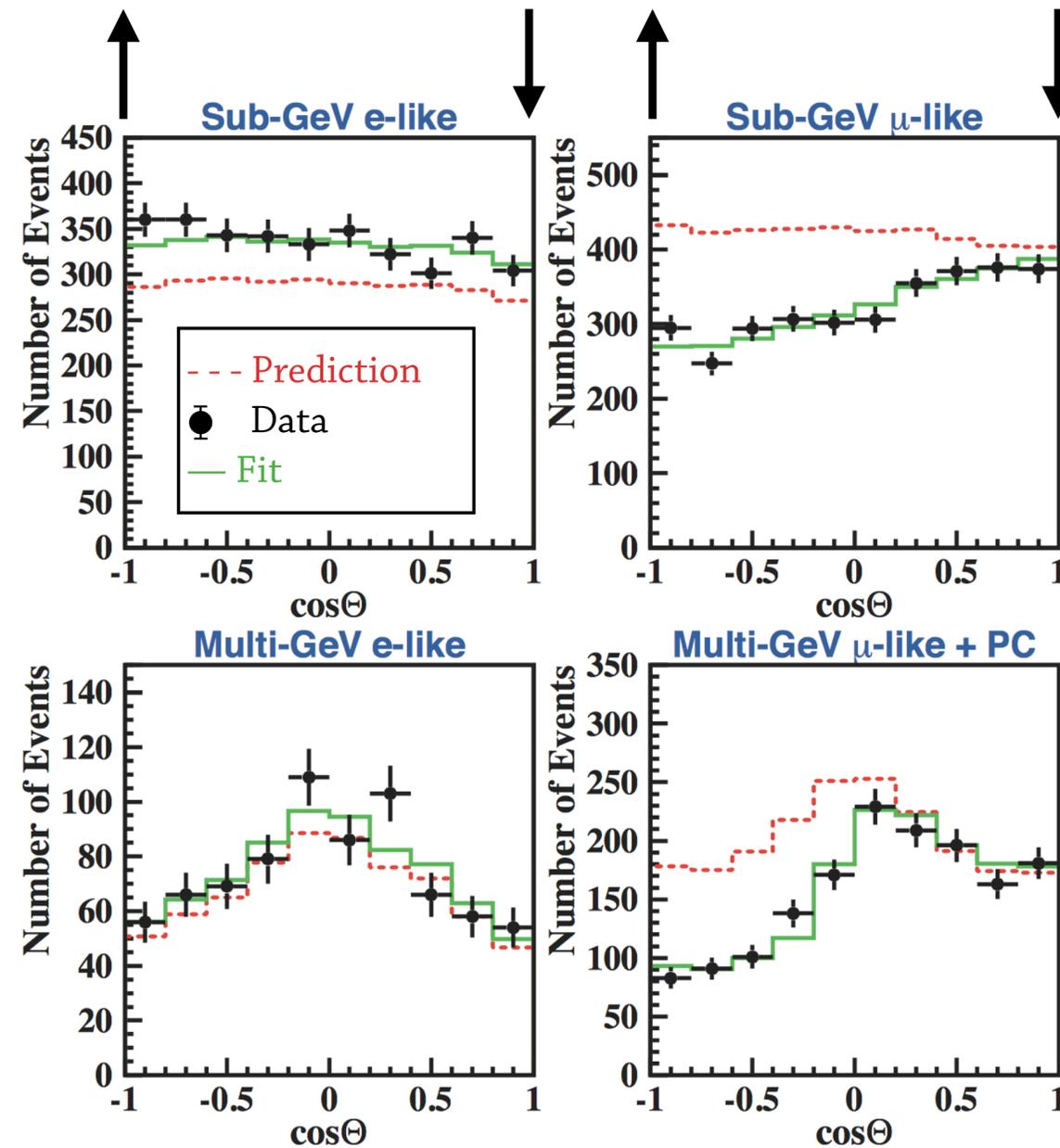


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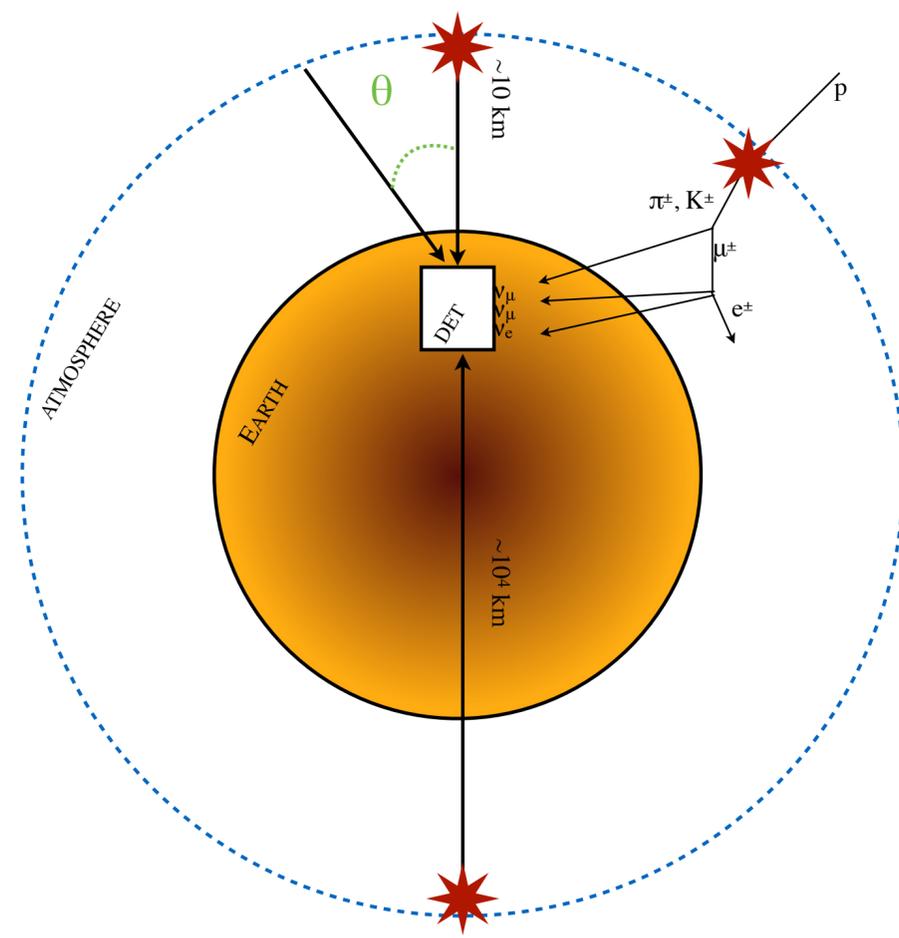
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As predicted for all directions and energy

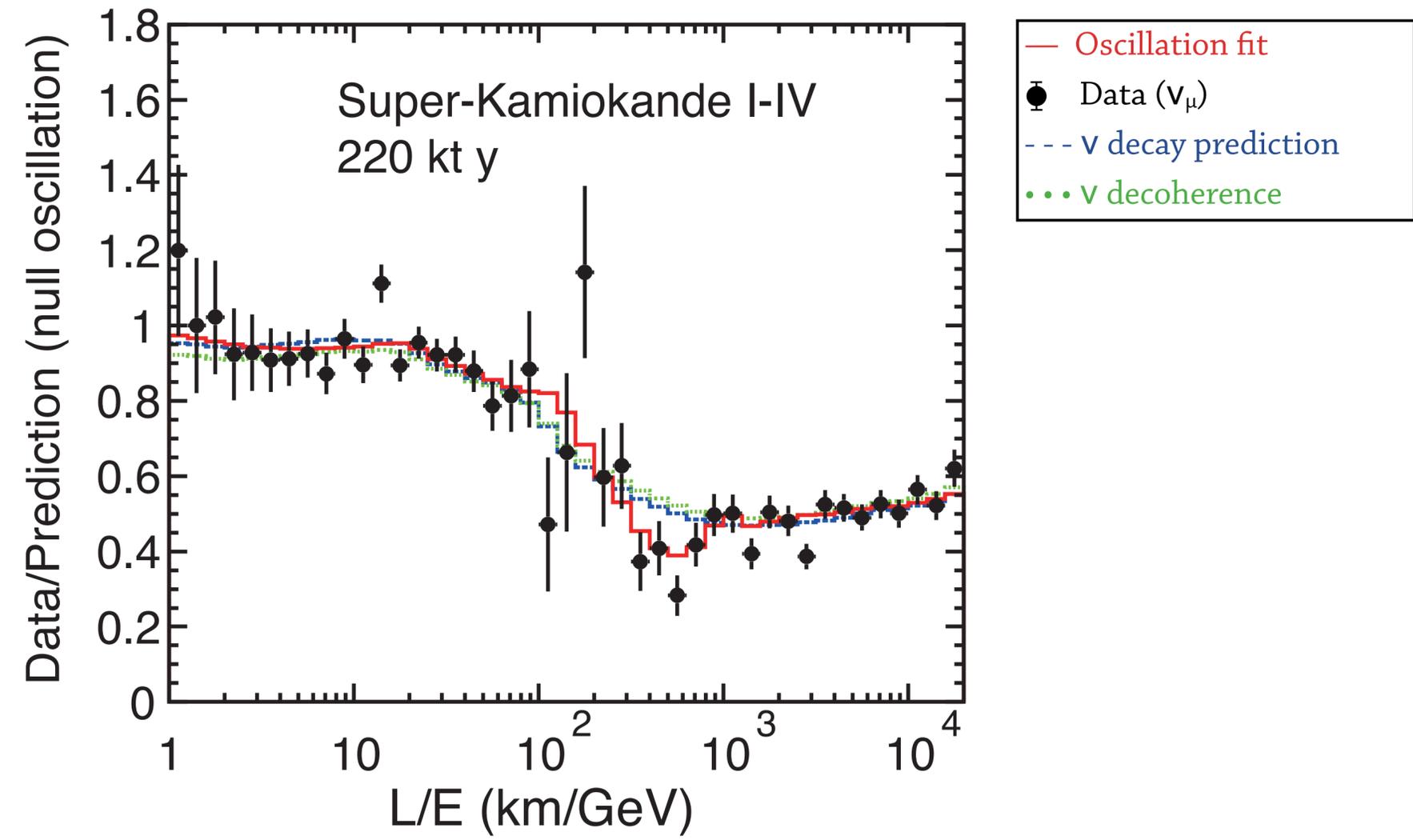
For ν_μ :

Loss of upwards ν_μ ($L \sim 10^4$ km)
As expected for downwards ν_μ ($L \sim 10$ km)

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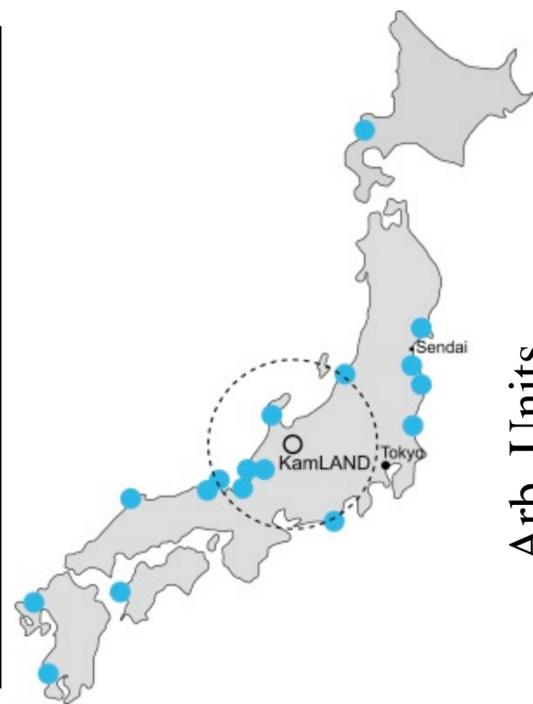
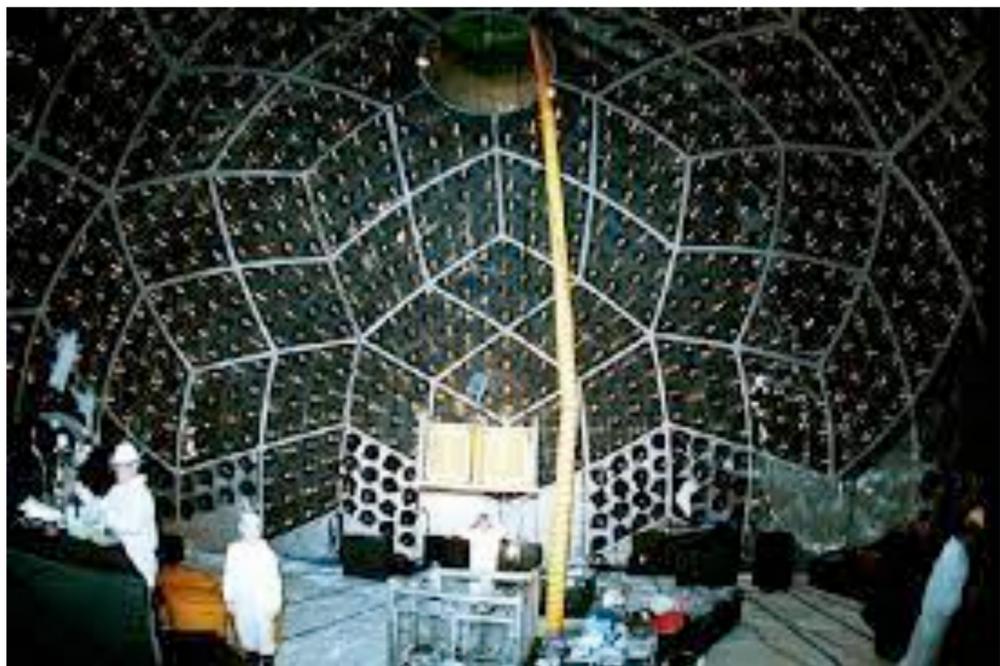
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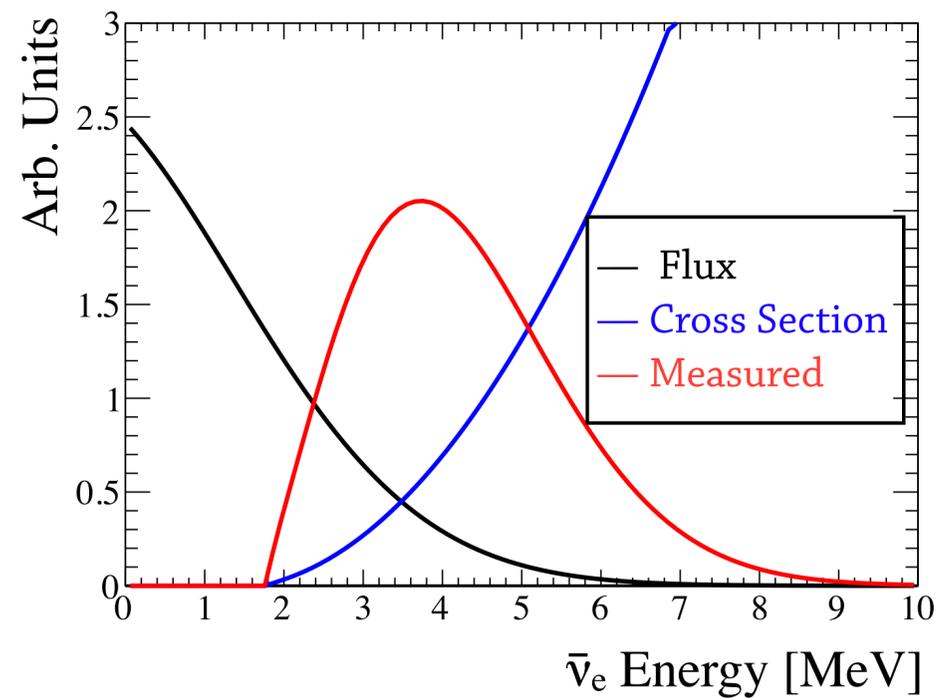
Super-Kamiokande proved that ν_μ disappear as a function of L/E (possibly into ν_τ)



Proofs of neutrino oscillations - Reactors

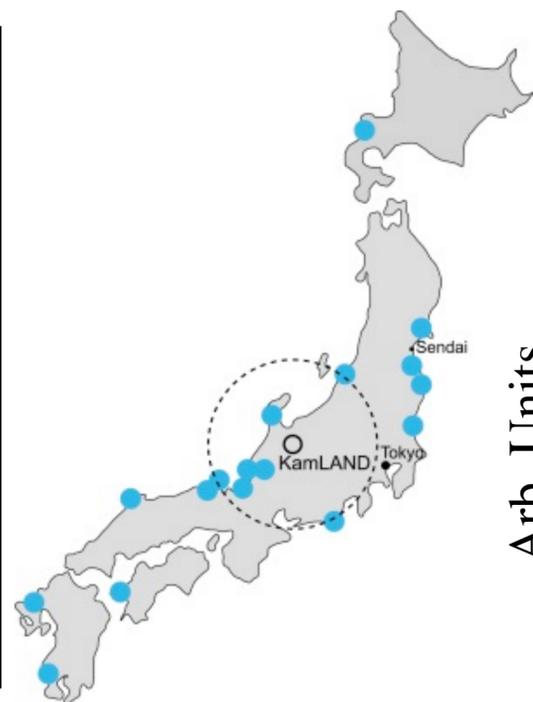
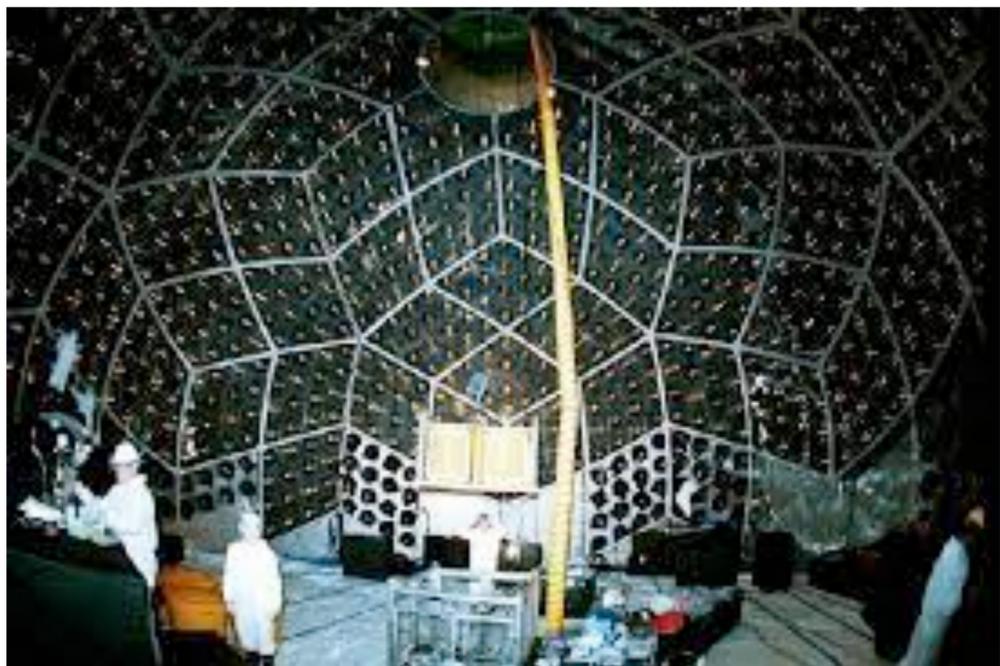


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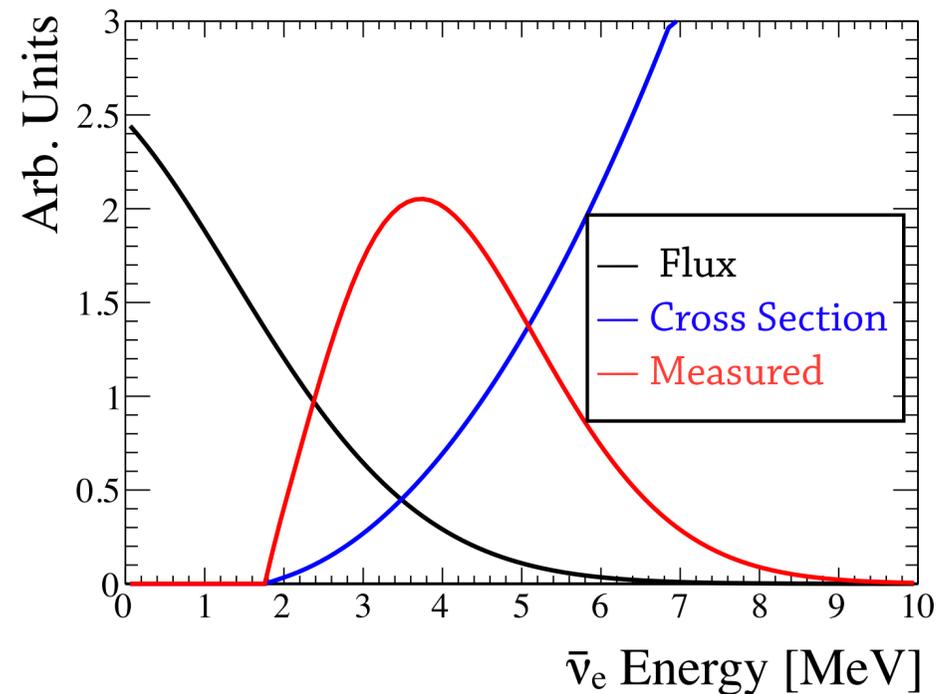


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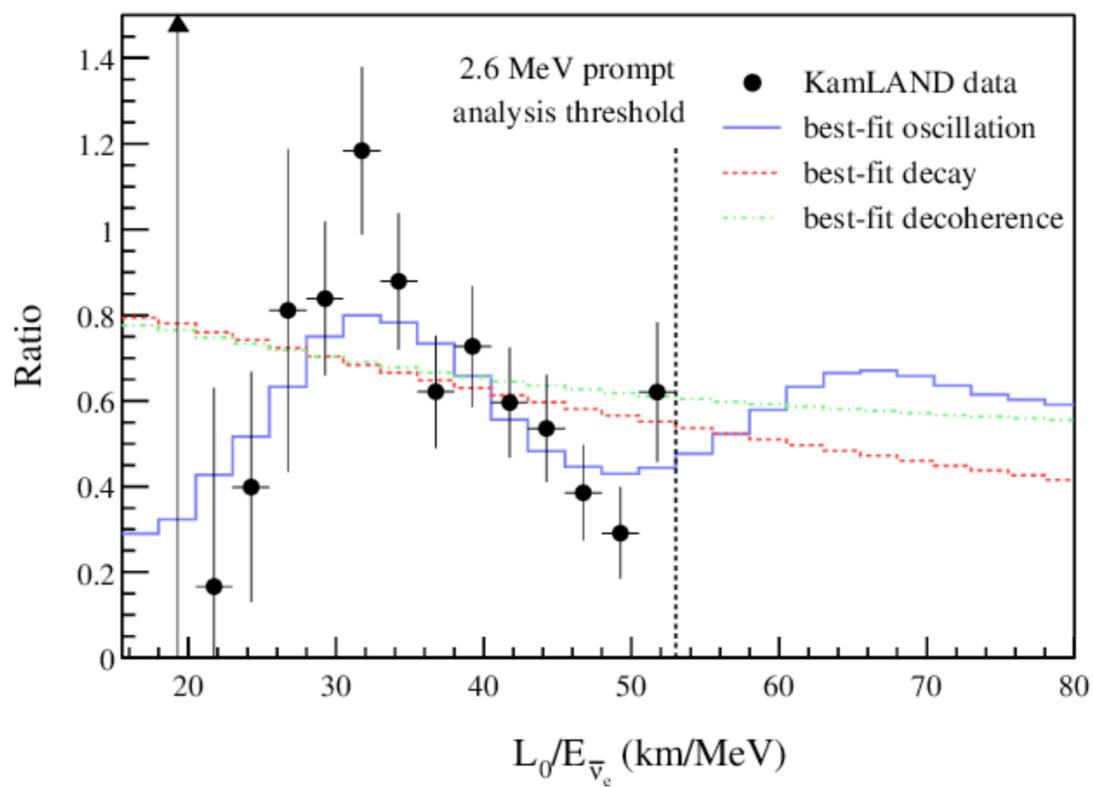
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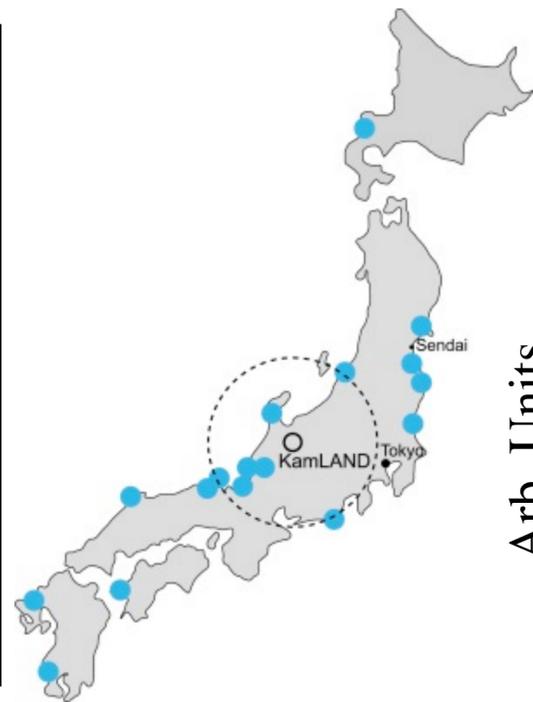
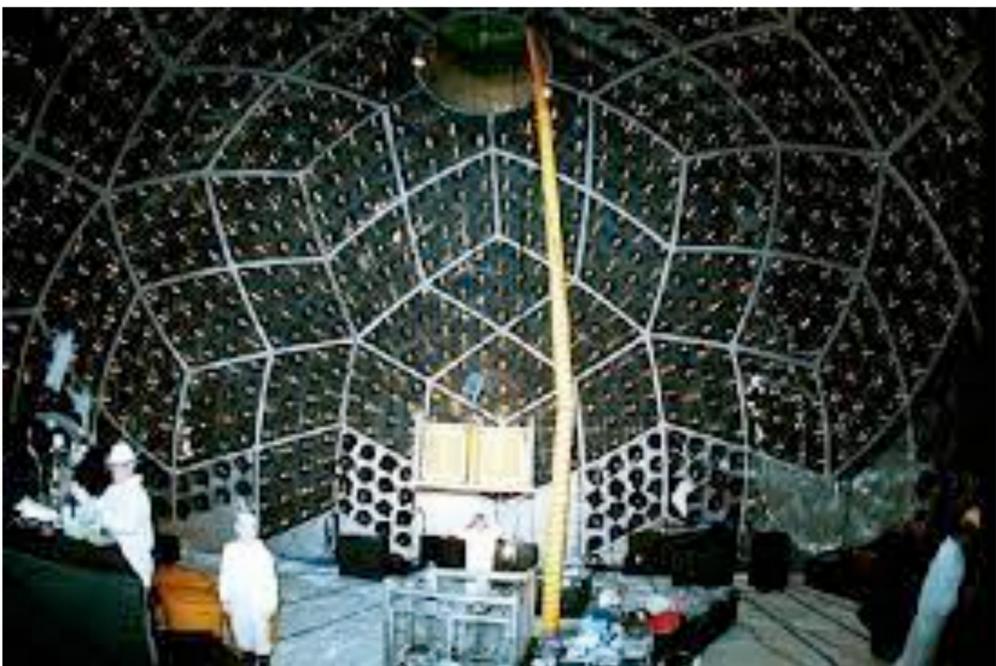
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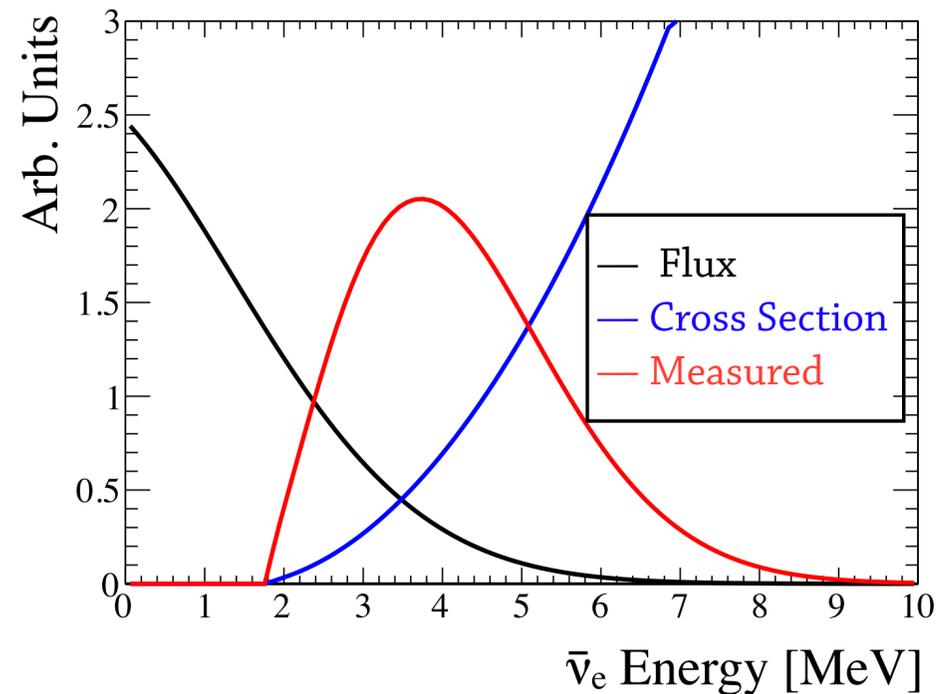
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- Rejection of the ν -decay and ν -decoherence hypotheses
- ν -oscillation preferred

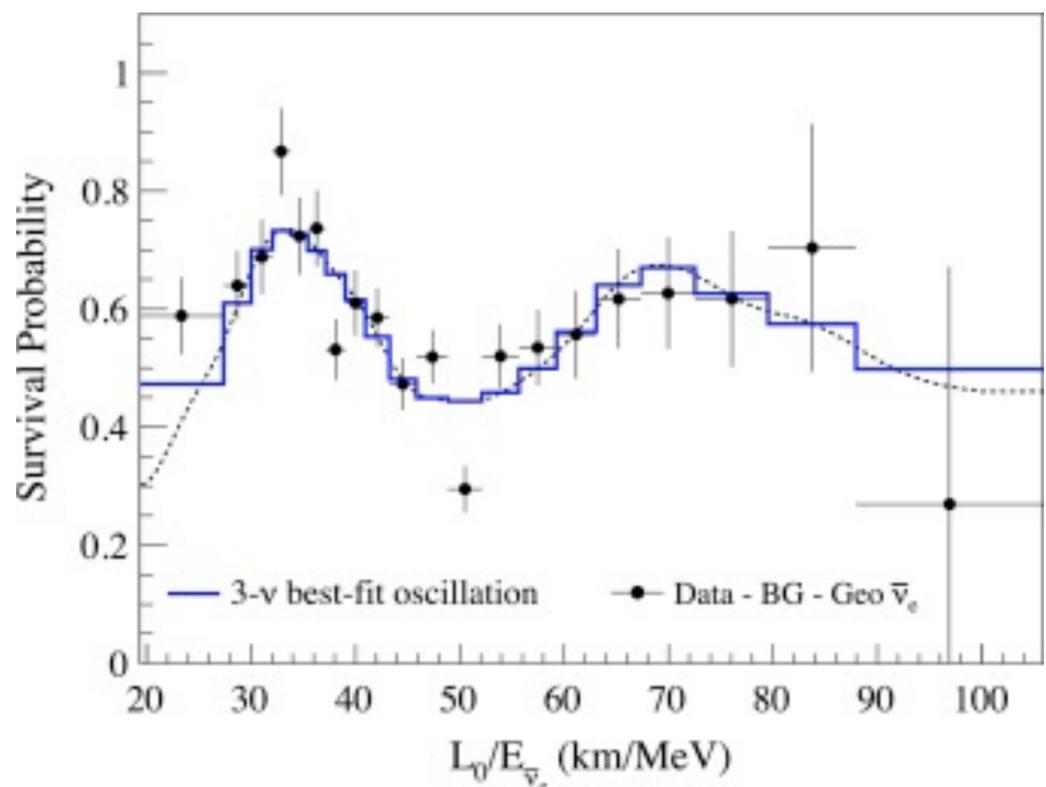
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- Final results -

- Very clear L/E pattern
- Can see the disappearance dip, and re-appearance of $\bar{\nu}_e$!

KAMLAND proved that $\bar{\nu}_e$ oscillates !

NEUTRINO

OSCILLATIONS

Oscillations with 3 flavors

With only two flavors, the mixing matrix was a simple rotation matrix:

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

Let's now consider 3 neutrino flavors. In that case, the unitary mixing matrix U is written as :

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

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

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

We now have 3 rotation angles and one complex phase

This is the neutrino 3×3 unitary mixing matrix, the PMNS matrix

for Pontecorvo, Maki, Nakagawa, Sakata

Oscillations with 3 flavors

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In the 3 ν -flavor case, the oscillation phenomena is described by:

- **3** mixing angles: θ_{12}, θ_{23} and θ_{13}
- **2** mass splittings: $\Delta m_{21}^2 = \Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 = \Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2$
- **1** CP violation phase δ

Oscillations with 3 flavors

A neutrino of flavor α , is written as the sum of the three mass eigenstates

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \quad |\nu_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i} |\nu_i\rangle$$

With the same approximations as in the 2 neutrino case, we can write the time evolution of the mass eigenstates as:

$$|\nu_i(L)\rangle = e^{(-im_i^2 \frac{L}{2E})} |\nu_i\rangle$$

For the flavor eigenstates:

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Oscillations with 3 flavors

The probability to detect a neutrino of flavor β at $t=L$ while a neutrino of flavor α was created at $t=0$ is then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) &= |\langle \nu_\beta | \nu_\alpha(L) \rangle|^2 \\
 &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^3 U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} e^{(-im_j^2 \frac{L}{2E})} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| U_{\alpha 1} U_{\beta 1}^* e^{-i\phi_1} + U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}^* e^{-i\phi_2} + U_{\alpha 3} U_{\beta 3}^* e^{-i\phi_3} \right|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where: } \phi_j = m_j^2 \frac{L}{2E}$$

To develop the expression, we will use the relationship (z , w and v are complex numbers):

$$|z + w + v|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 + |v|^2 + 2\text{Re}(zw^* + zv^* + wv^*)$$

Oscillations with 3 flavors

Without entering too much into details, we obtain:

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 &= \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{j < k}^3 \text{Re}(U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k}) \sin^2 \left(\Delta m_{jk}^2 \frac{L}{4E} \right) \\
 &\quad \pm 2 \sum_{j < k}^3 \text{Im}(U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k}) \sin \left(\Delta m_{jk}^2 \frac{L}{4E} \right)
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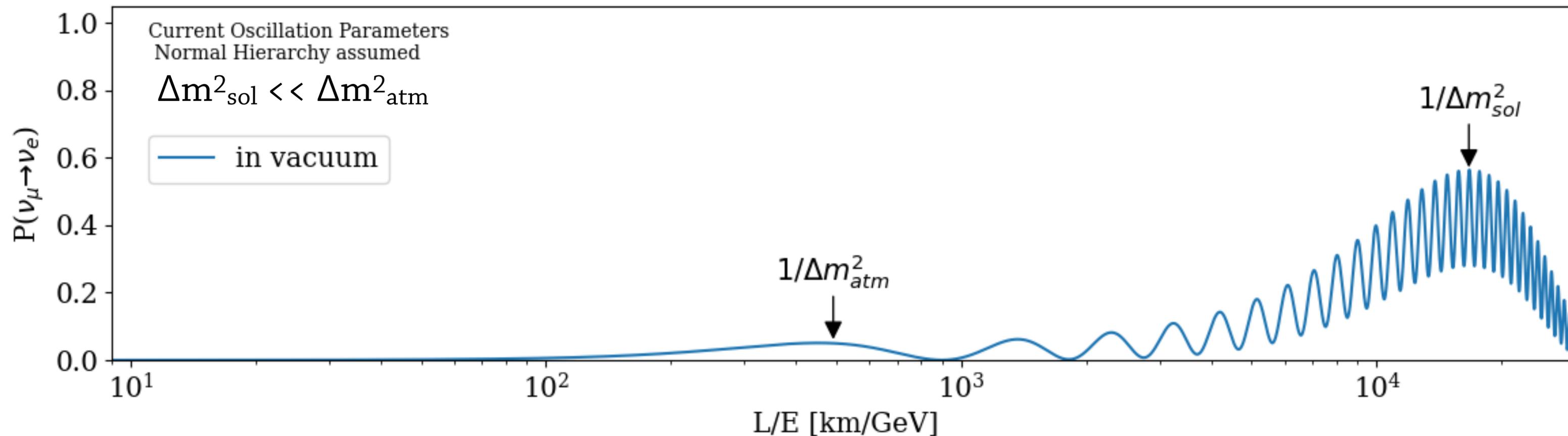
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‘+’ for neutrinos, ‘-’ for anti-neutrinos

Oscillations with 3 flavors in vacuum

The oscillation probability is written as :
$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = |\langle \nu_\beta(L) | \nu_\alpha \rangle|^2 = \left| \sum_j U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} e^{-i \frac{m_j^2 L}{2E}} \right|^2$$

As we have 2 mass splittings, we have 2 oscillation frequencies interfering :



$$\Delta m^2_{21} = \Delta m^2_{\text{sol}}$$

$$\Delta m^2_{31} = \Delta m^2_{\text{atm}}$$

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Applying the 2x2 mixing matrix, we can write the flavor eigenstate evolution as:

Recall that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\alpha \\ \nu_\beta \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$UU^\dagger = U^\dagger U = I$$

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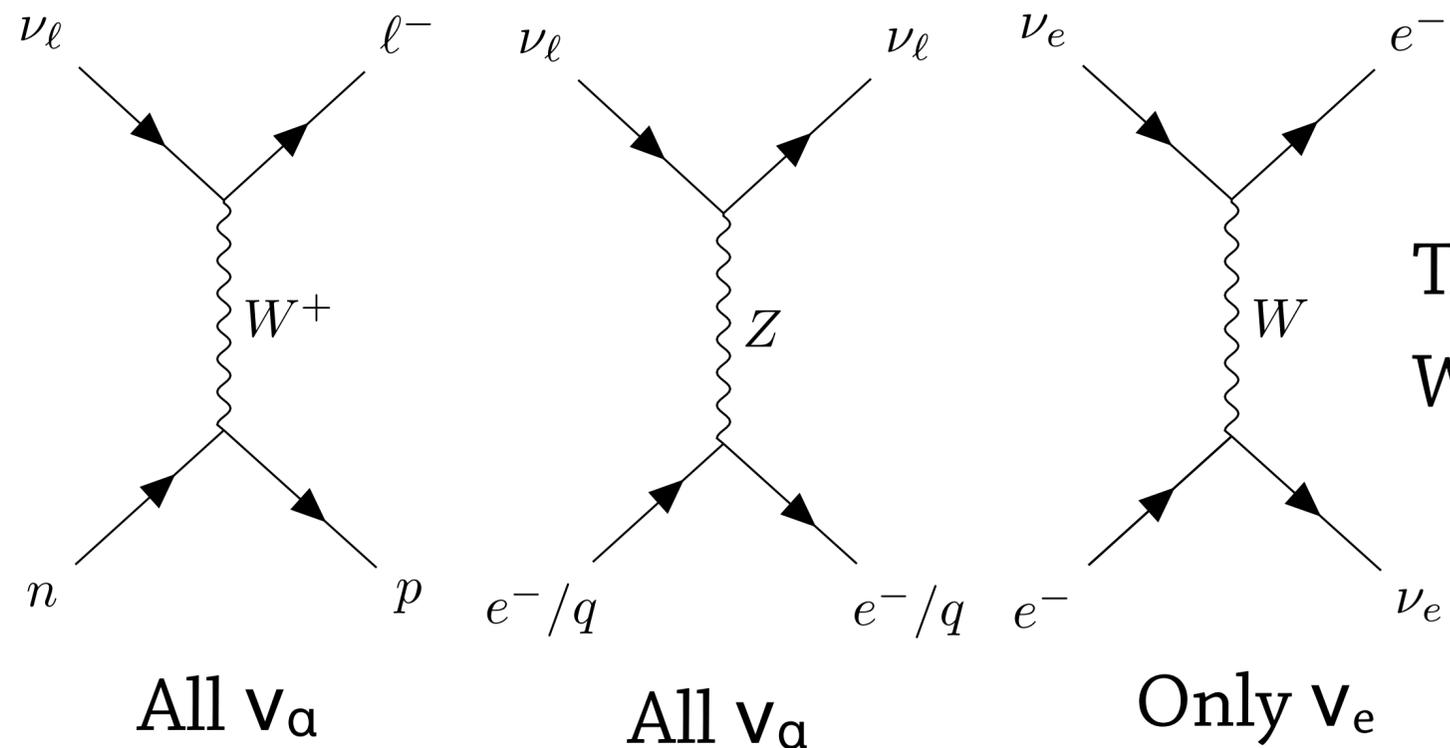
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When in matter, the neutrinos can interact through CC or NC :



But

The ν_e can interact with e^- through CC and NC
 While ν_μ and ν_τ can only interact with e^- through NC

Oscillations in matter

This implies that in matter, the Hamiltonian have an extra potential V for the ν_e - ν_e interactions

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Some simplifications to be done:

- H_0 is a constant
- Subtract $V/2 \times I$

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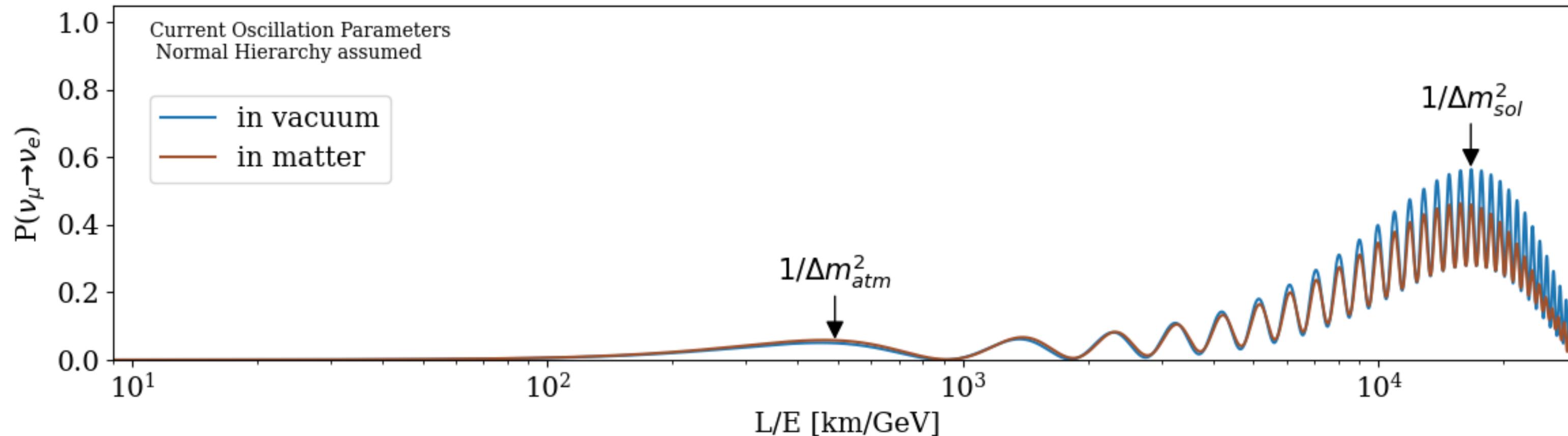
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This implies that in matter, the oscillation probabilities will be modified

With 3 neutrino families, the derivation is more complex but the implications are the same: propagation in matter will modify the oscillation probabilities

Oscillations with 3 flavors in matter

Even earth crust has an impact on neutrino oscillation (denser matter -> stronger effect)



The earth density is not constant -> stronger modification of the neutrino oscillation probability when crossing the earth core

Oscillations parameters

Current values of the oscillation parameters:

$$\theta_{12} = 33.45^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$$

$$\theta_{23} = 42.1^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$$

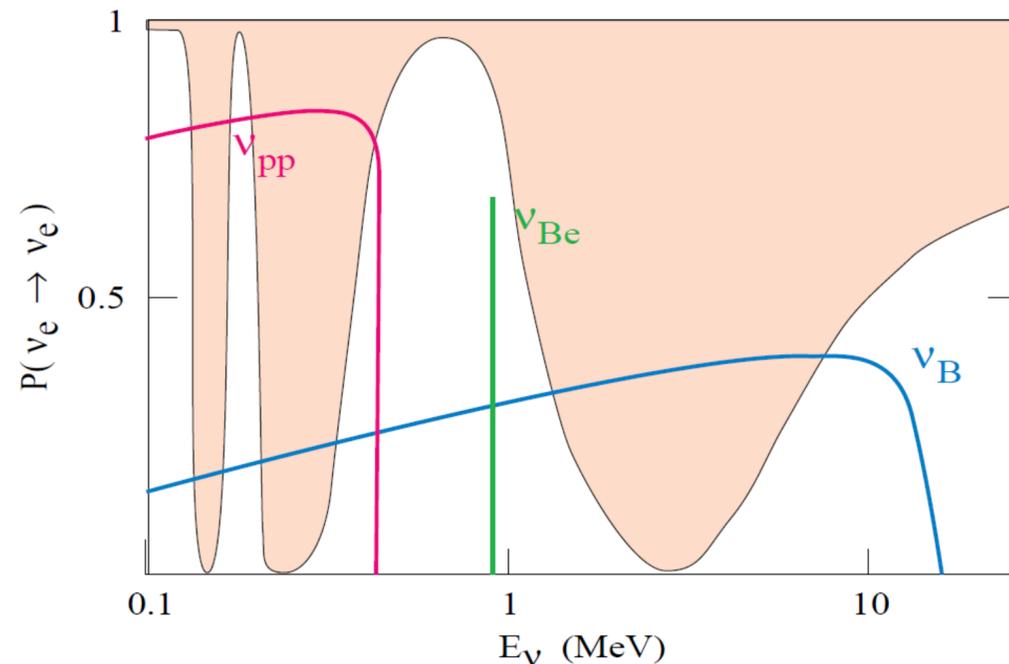
$$\theta_{13} = 8.62^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$$

$$\Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2 = \Delta m_{12}^2 = 7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

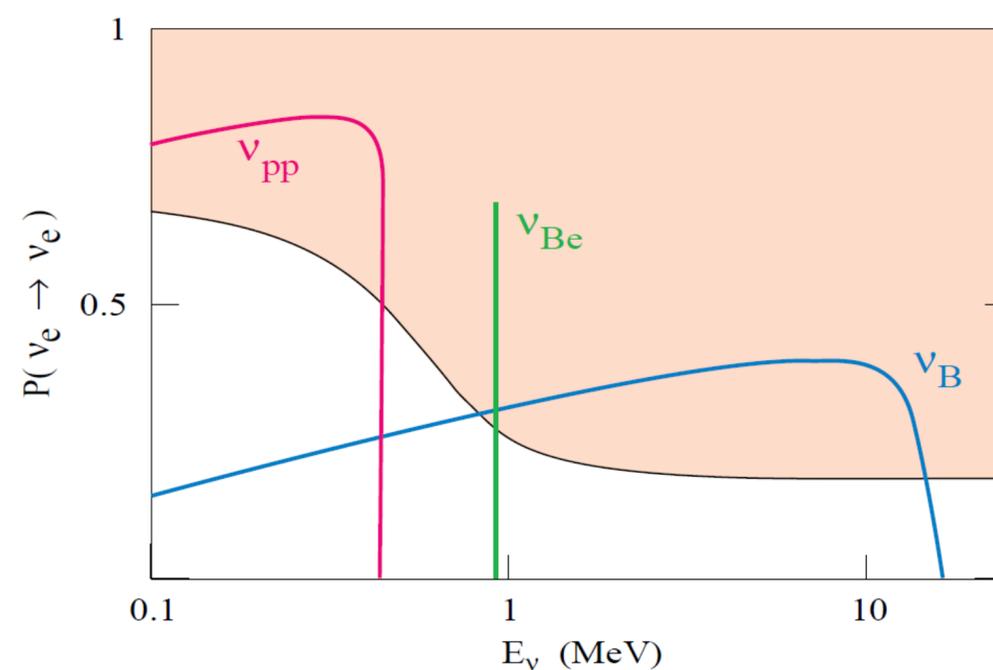
$$|\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2| = |\Delta m_{3\ell}^2| = 2.510^{+0.027}_{-0.027} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

- Oscillations in vacuum are not sensitive to the sign of Δm^2
- Matter effects helps to determine Δm^2 sign:
 - $m_2 > m_1$ from solar ν_e
 - Not yet resolved for m_3

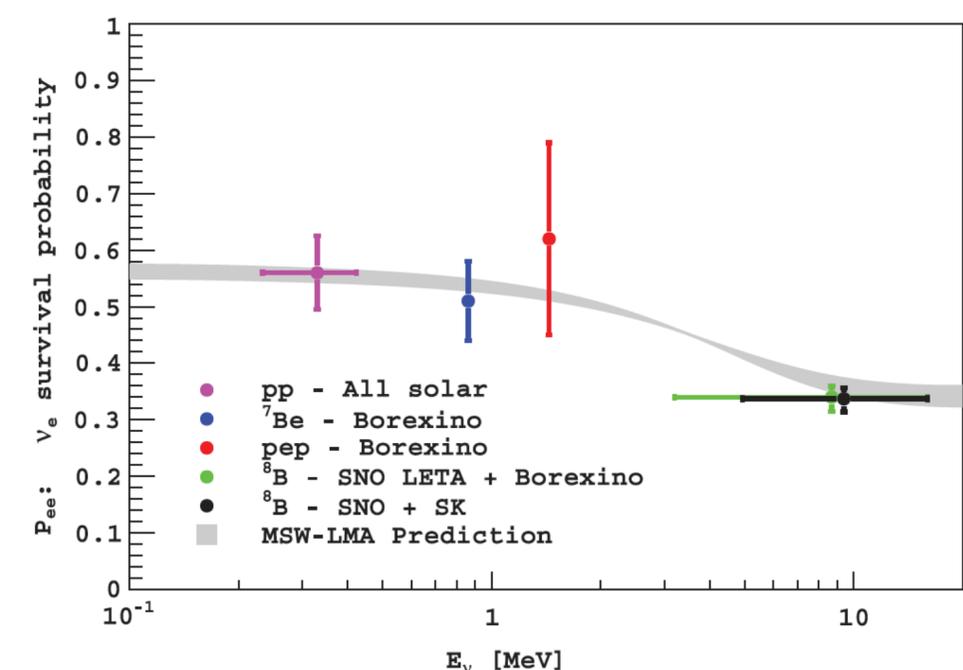
ν_e survival in vacuum



ν_e survival in matter

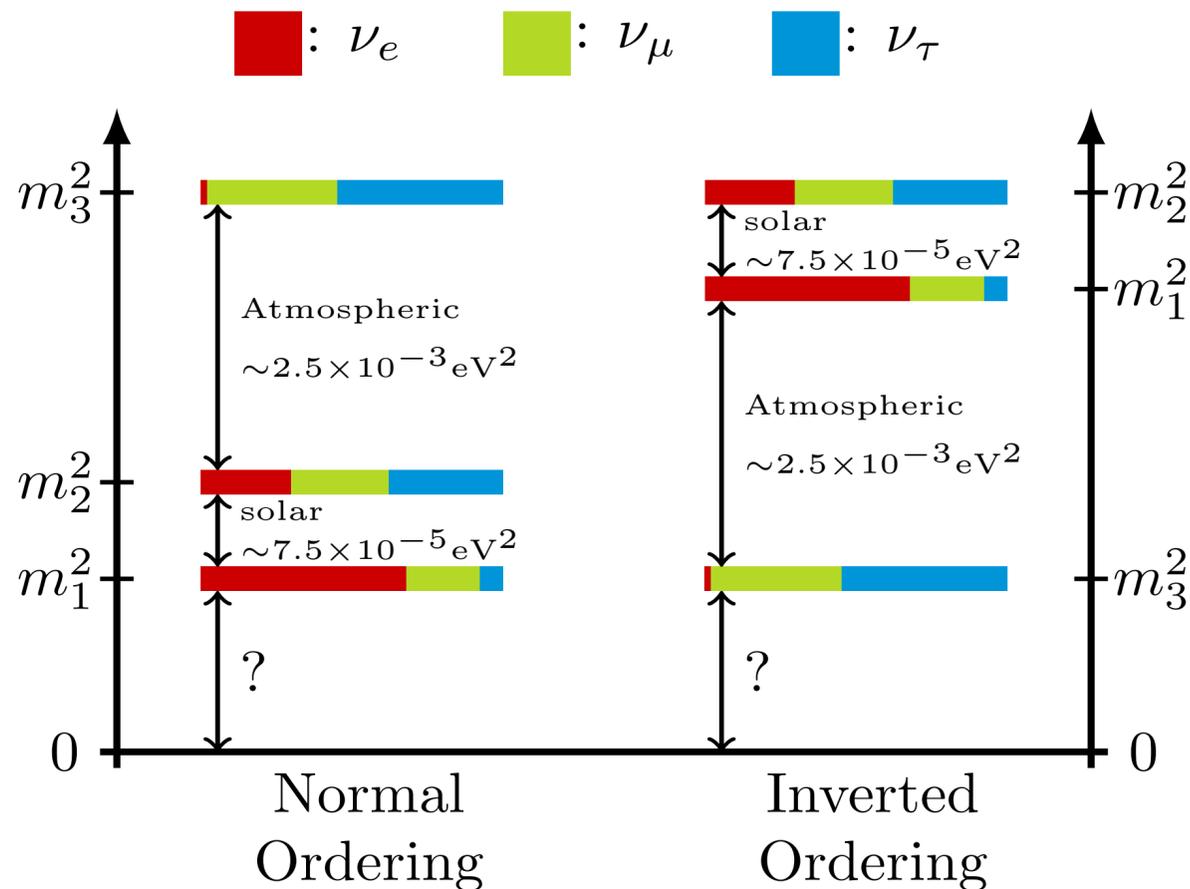


Solar ν_e flux measurement



Oscillations parameters

	Normal Ordering	Inverted Ordering
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$\theta_{23} =$	$42.1^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$	$49.0^{+0.9}_{-1.3}$
$\theta_{13} =$	$8.62^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$	$8.61^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$
$\Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2 = \Delta m_{12}^2 =$	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$	$7.42^{+0.21}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$
$\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 = \Delta m_{3\ell}^2 =$	$+2.510^{+0.027}_{-0.027} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$-2.490^{+0.026}_{-0.028} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$



Three unknowns of neutrino oscillations :

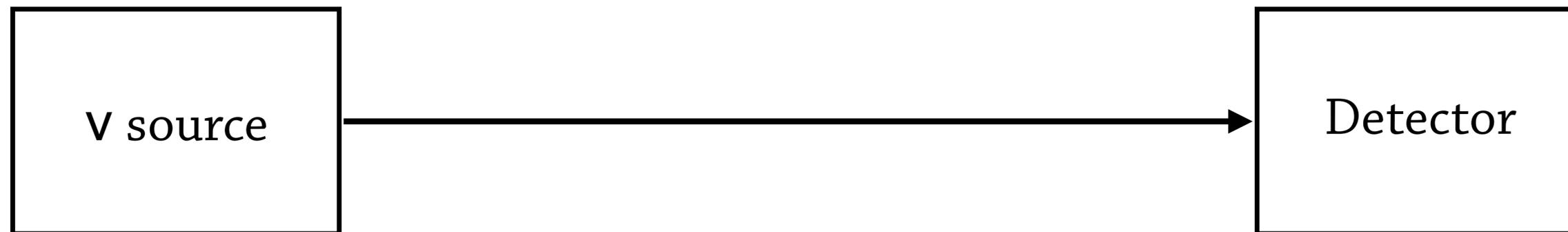
- **Mass Hierarchy** : Normal or inverted ?
- **θ_{23} octant** : $\theta_{23} < 45^\circ$ or $\theta_{23} > 45^\circ$?
- **δ_{CP}** : Do ν behaves as $\bar{\nu}$?

CURRENT AND

FUTURE

EXPERIMENTS

Principle for precision measurement



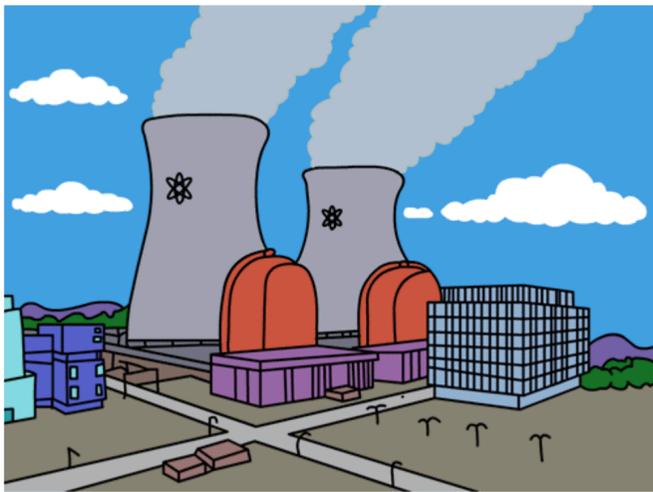
Requirements :

- Powerful source
- Initial location known
- Initial flavor content known
- Initial energy spectrum known

Requirements :

- At L/E for oscillation
- Able to distinguish $e/\mu/\tau$
- Energy reconstruction
- Big and/or dense

Experiments Using Reactors



Continuous powerful emission of $\bar{\nu}_e$ through the fission of ^{235}U , ^{239}Pu and ^{239}Pu .

Energy spectrum from 2 to 8 MeV

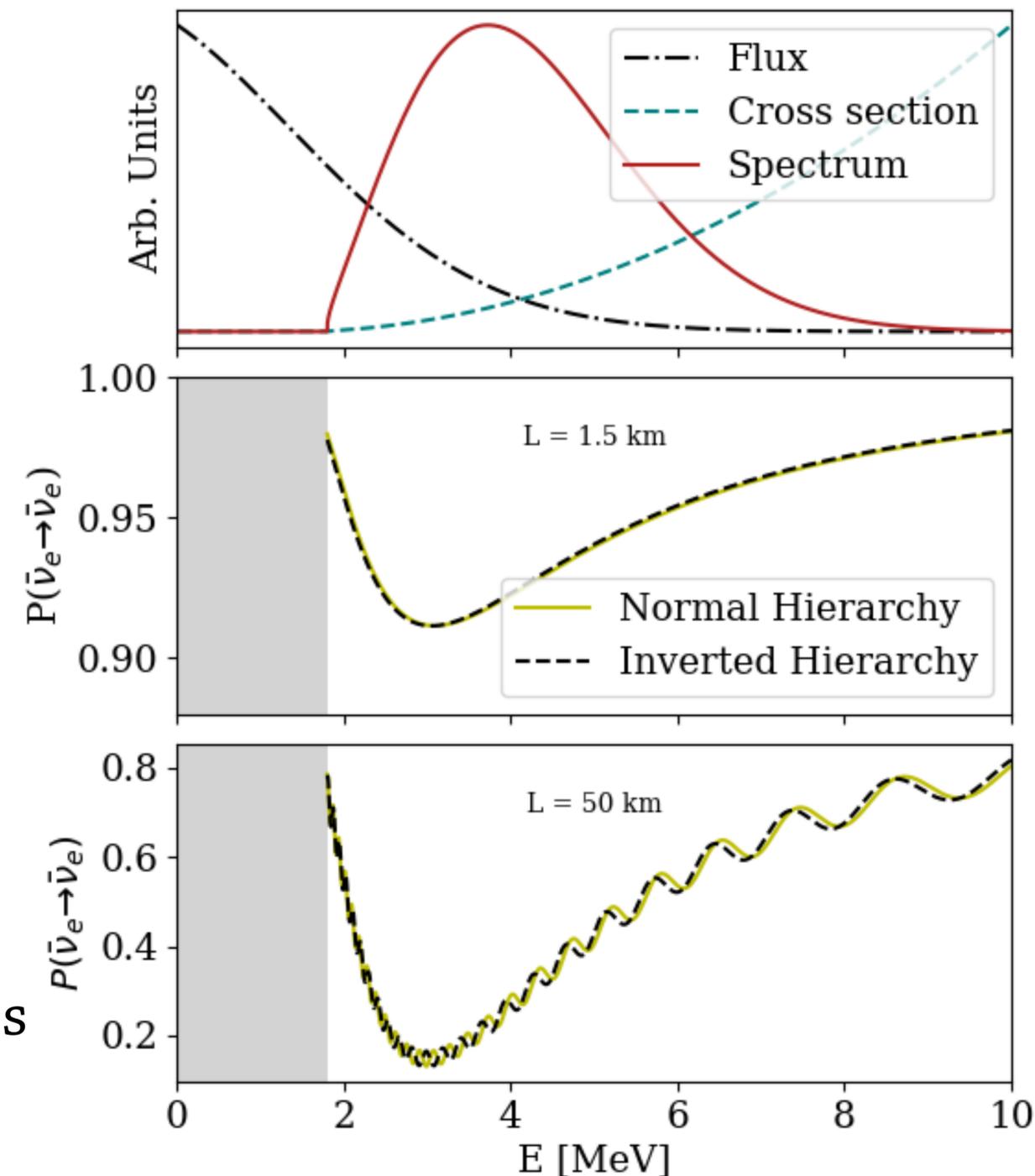
- Cannot tag new flavor appearance ($\bar{\nu}_\mu$ or $\bar{\nu}_\tau$)
- Only the disappearance measurement is possible

$L \sim 1 \text{ km}$ to be at atmospheric oscillation

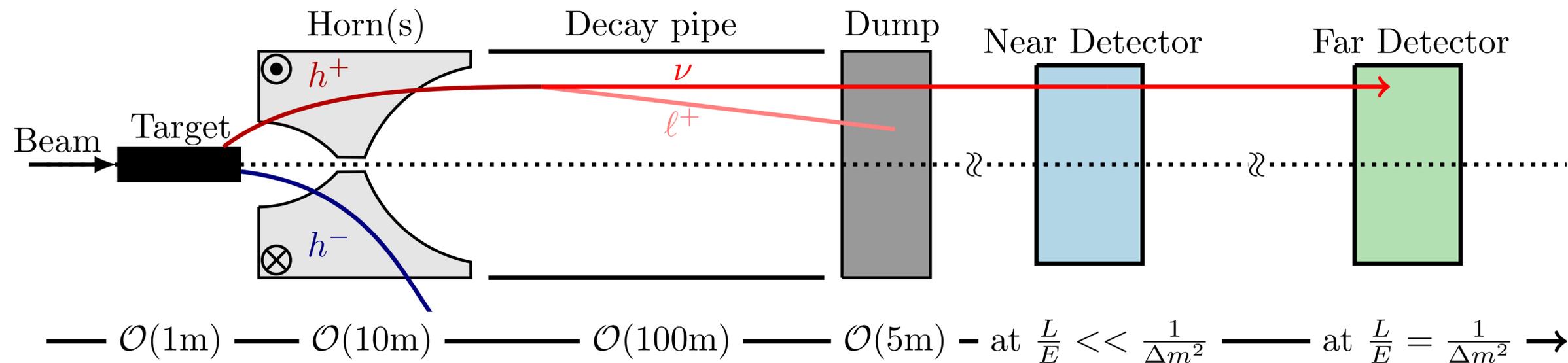
- Considered to be in vacuum, the 2 flavor approximation is valid. No sensitivity to δ_{CP} or MH

$L \sim 50 \text{ km}$ to be at solar oscillation

- Study of the interference between the 2 oscillations gives sensitivity to MH [**JUNO** experiment]

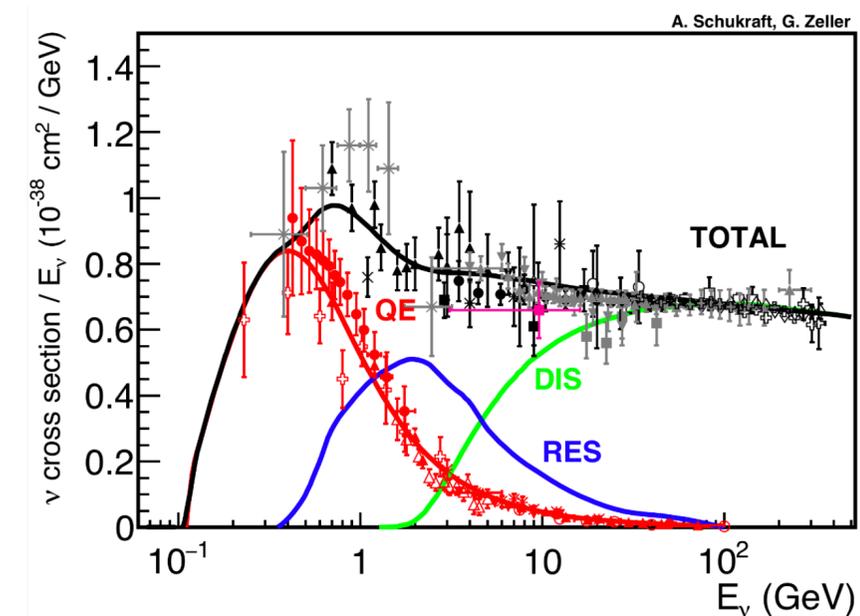


Experiments Using Accelerators



Principle :

- Accelerated proton collides into a target, produces mostly π^\pm .
- Pions main decay channel (99%) : $\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_\mu$
- Focussing horns to select π^+ (ν_μ flux) or π^- ($\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux)
- A near detector to measure the flux *before* oscillations
- A far detector at the L/E to observe oscillations
- ν beamline parameters tuned for optimal E



Experiments Using Accelerators

Three Channels possible (same for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$):

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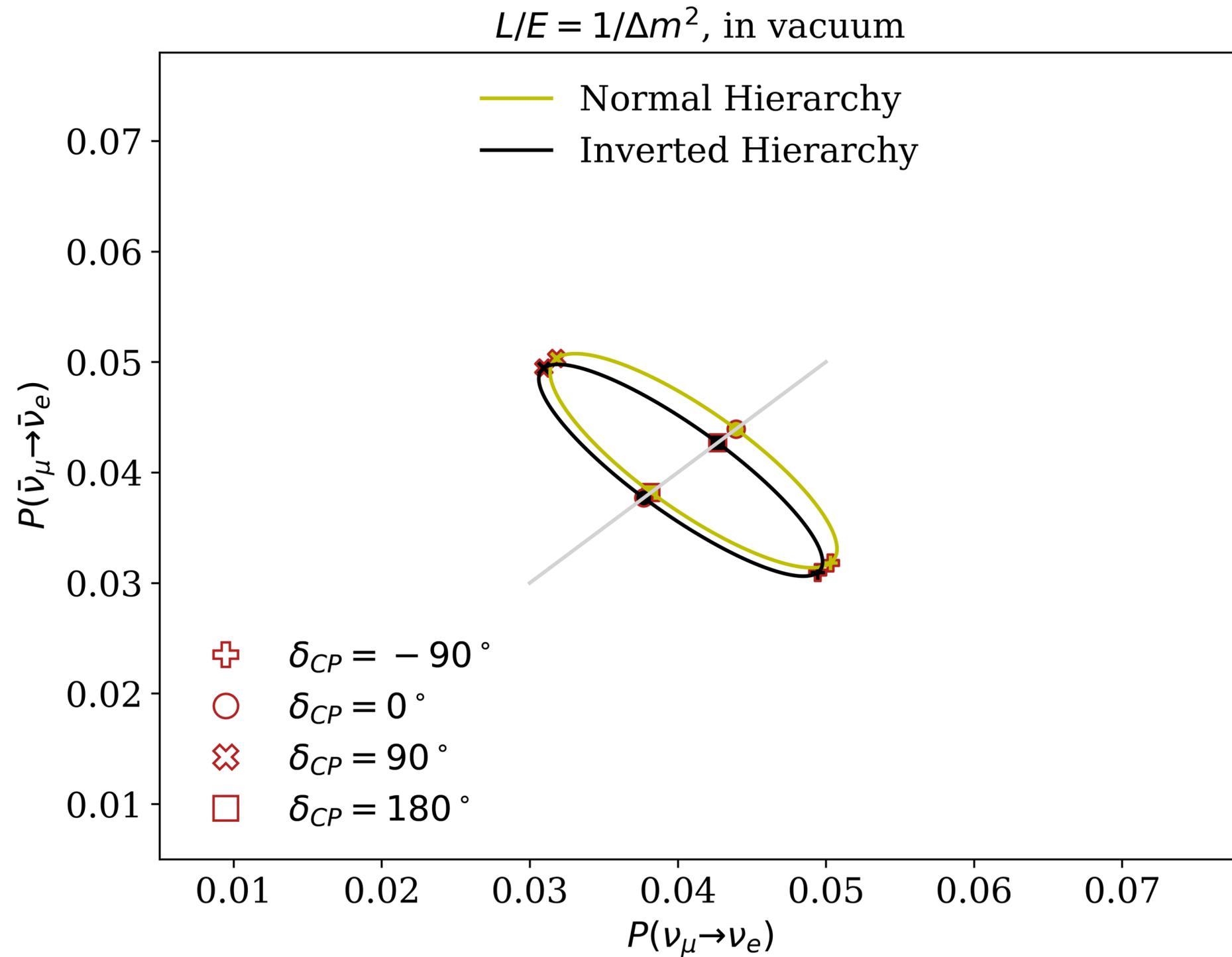
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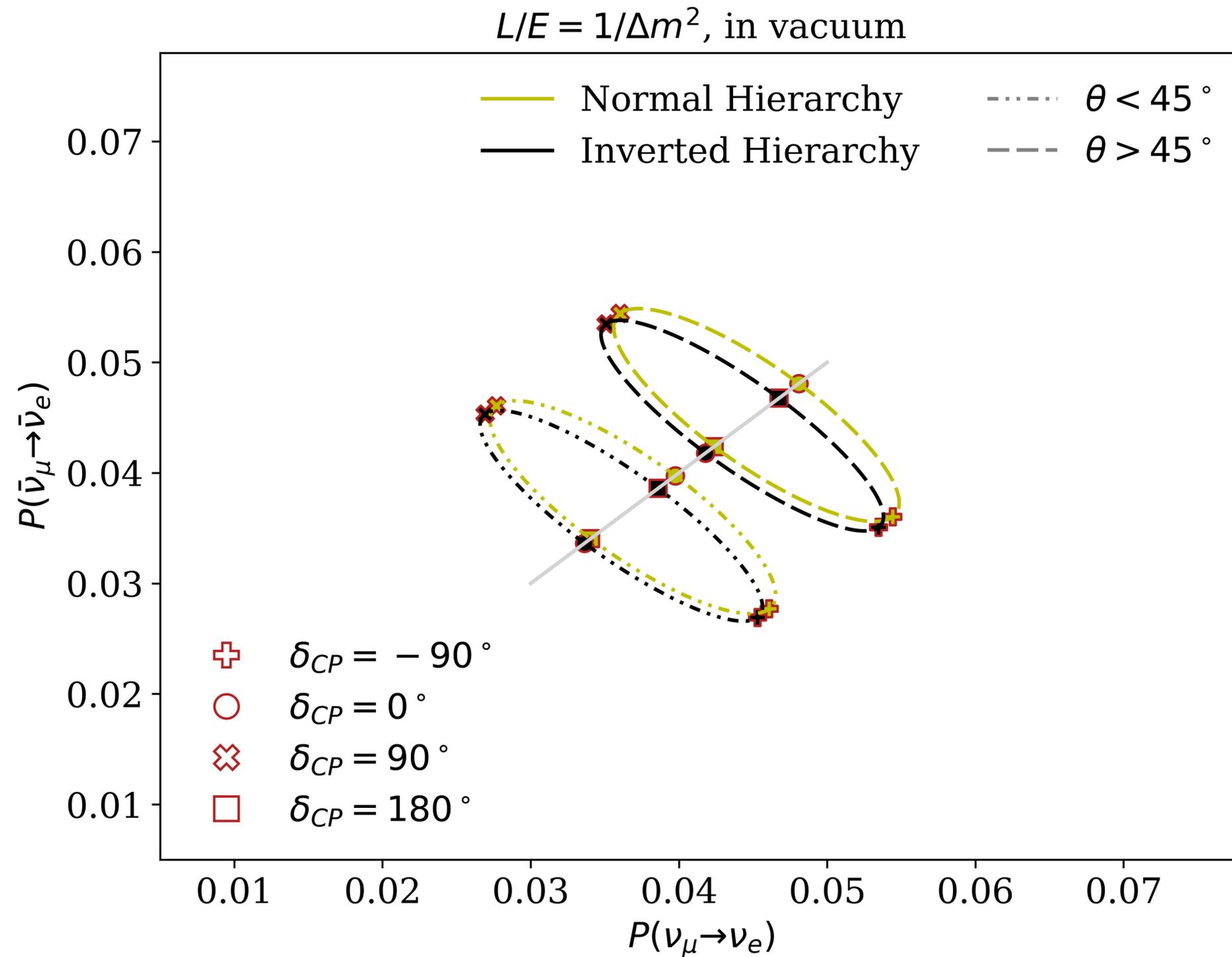
- Similar discovery potential as ν_e appearance but:

$m_\tau = 1.7 \text{ GeV}$, $c\tau_\tau = 87 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$ and τ^\pm have hundreds of complicated decay channels

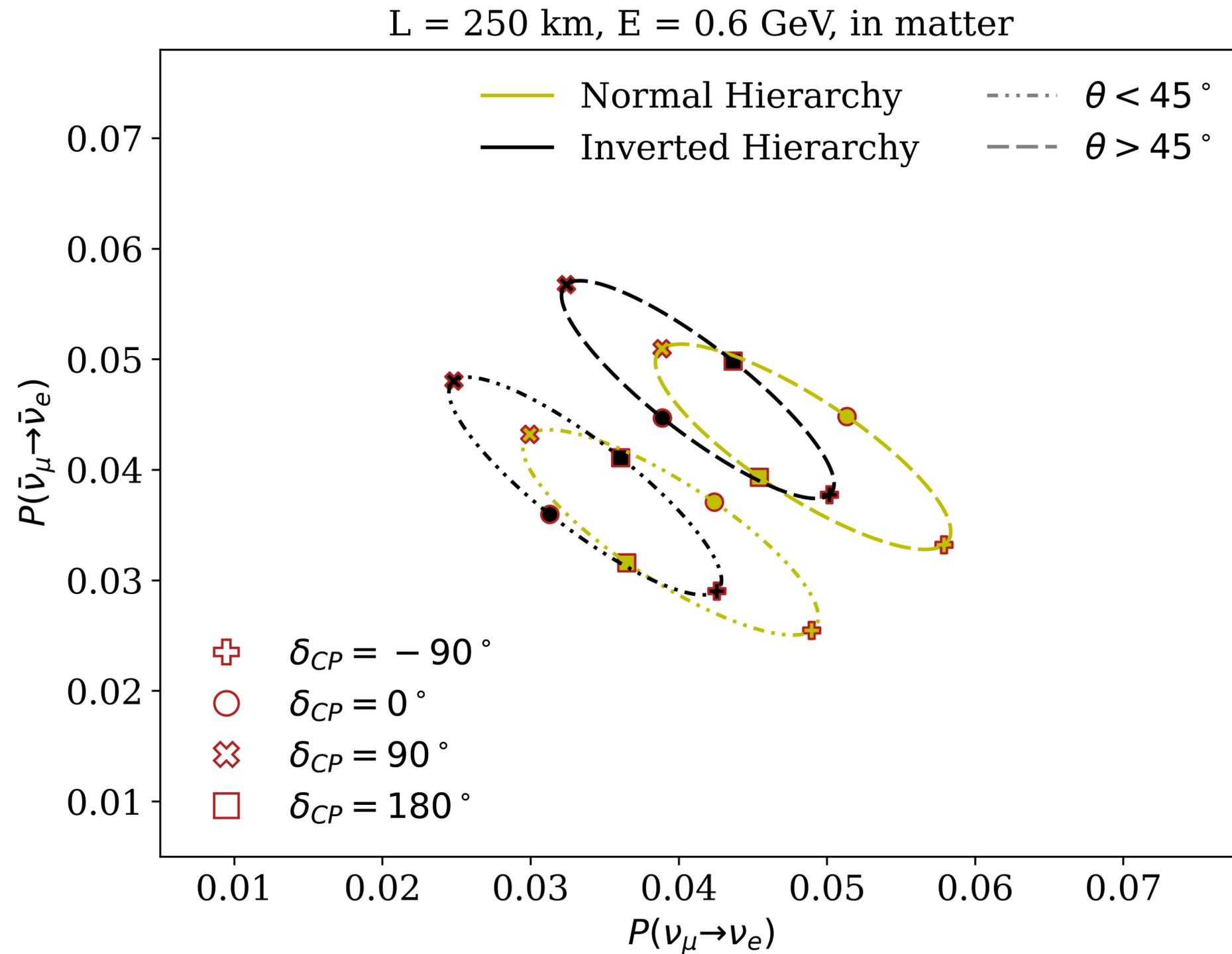
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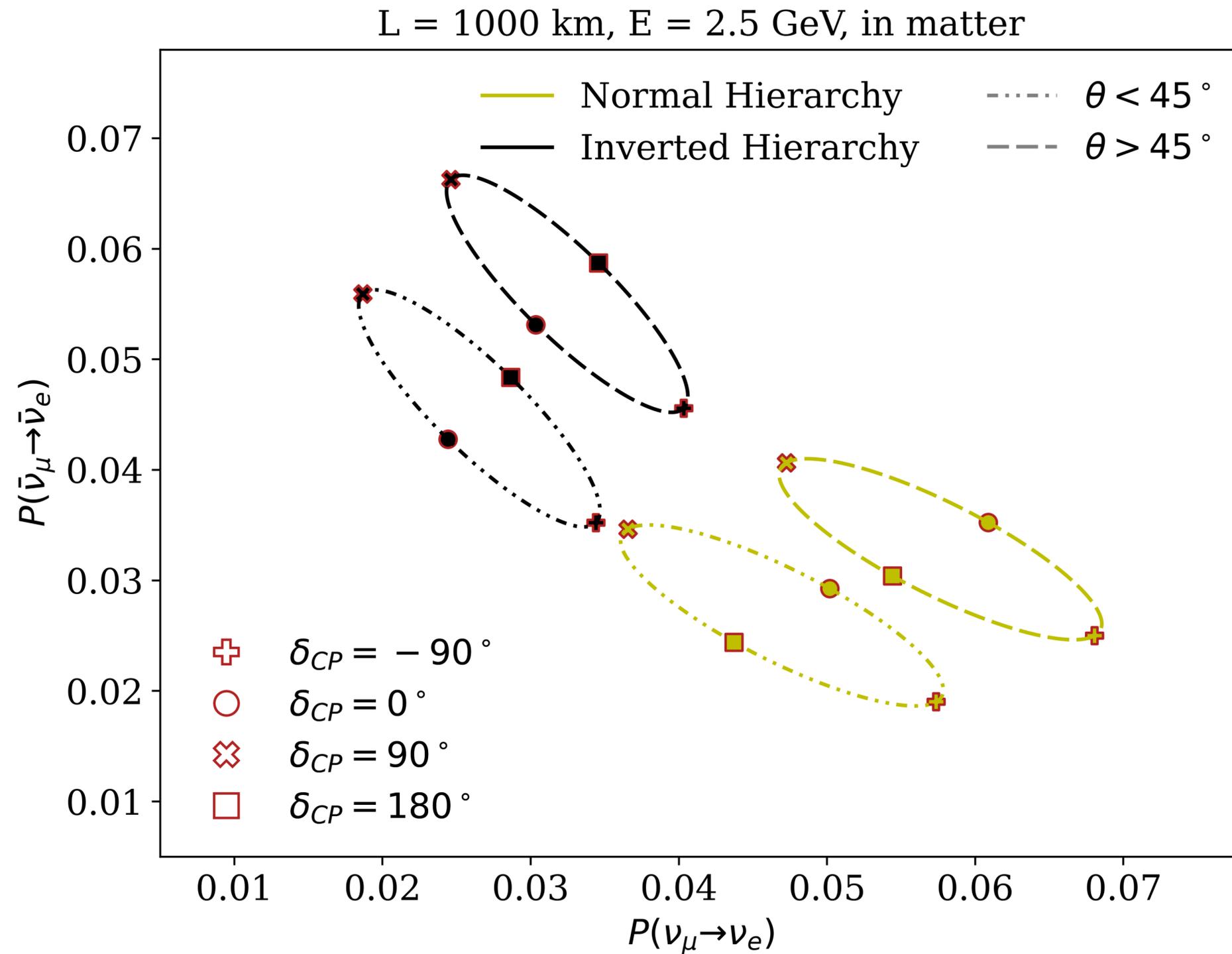
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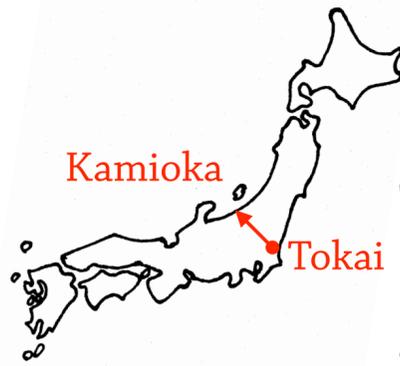
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Experiments Using Accelerators



Current ν accelerator experiments



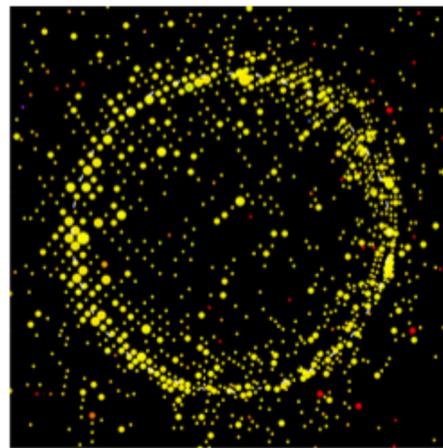
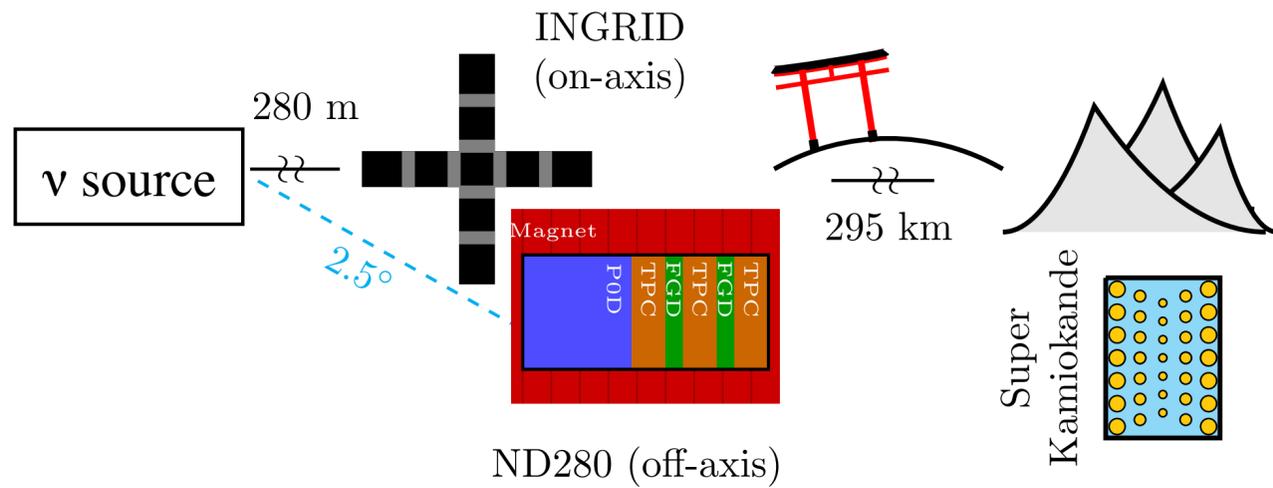
T2K in Japan

Since 2010, $L = 295$ km, $E = 0.6$ GeV

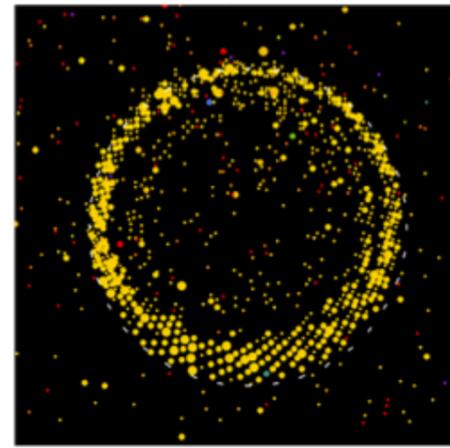
Equal ν and $\bar{\nu}$ runs

Near detector is a gaseous TPC

Far detector is Super-Kamiokande



ν_e -like



ν_μ -like

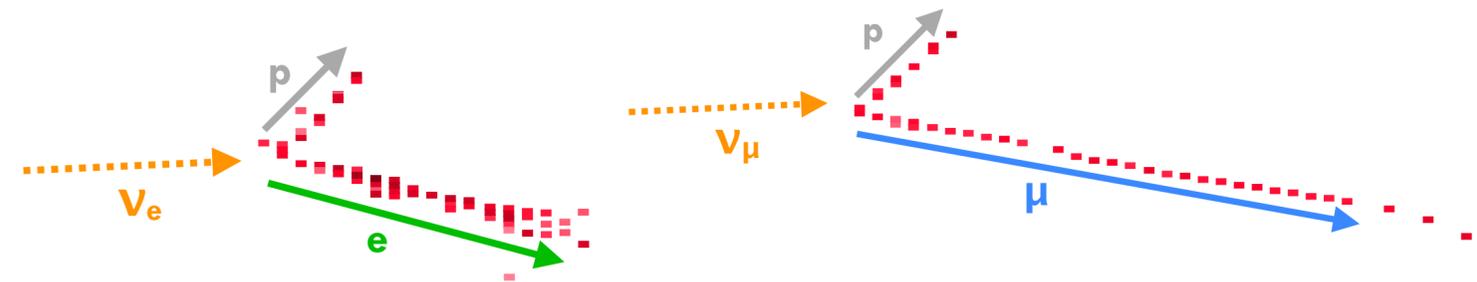
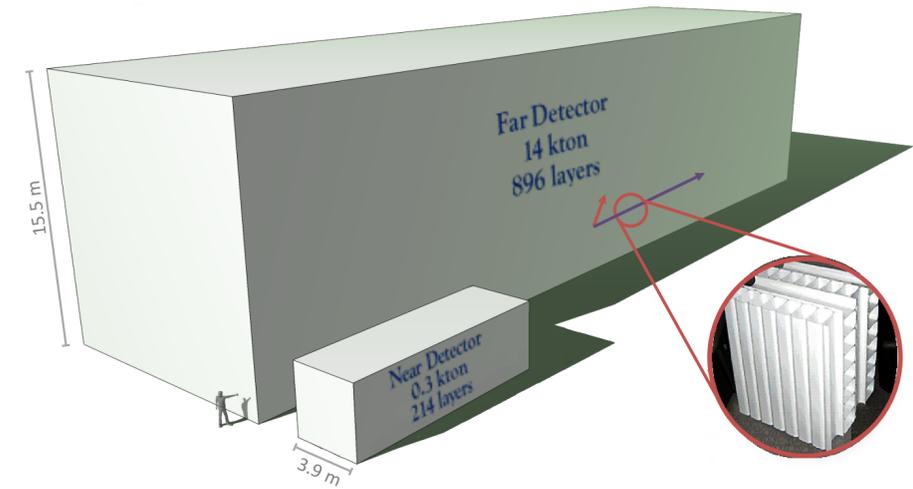


NO ν A in the US

Since 2013, $L = 810$ km, $E = 2$ GeV

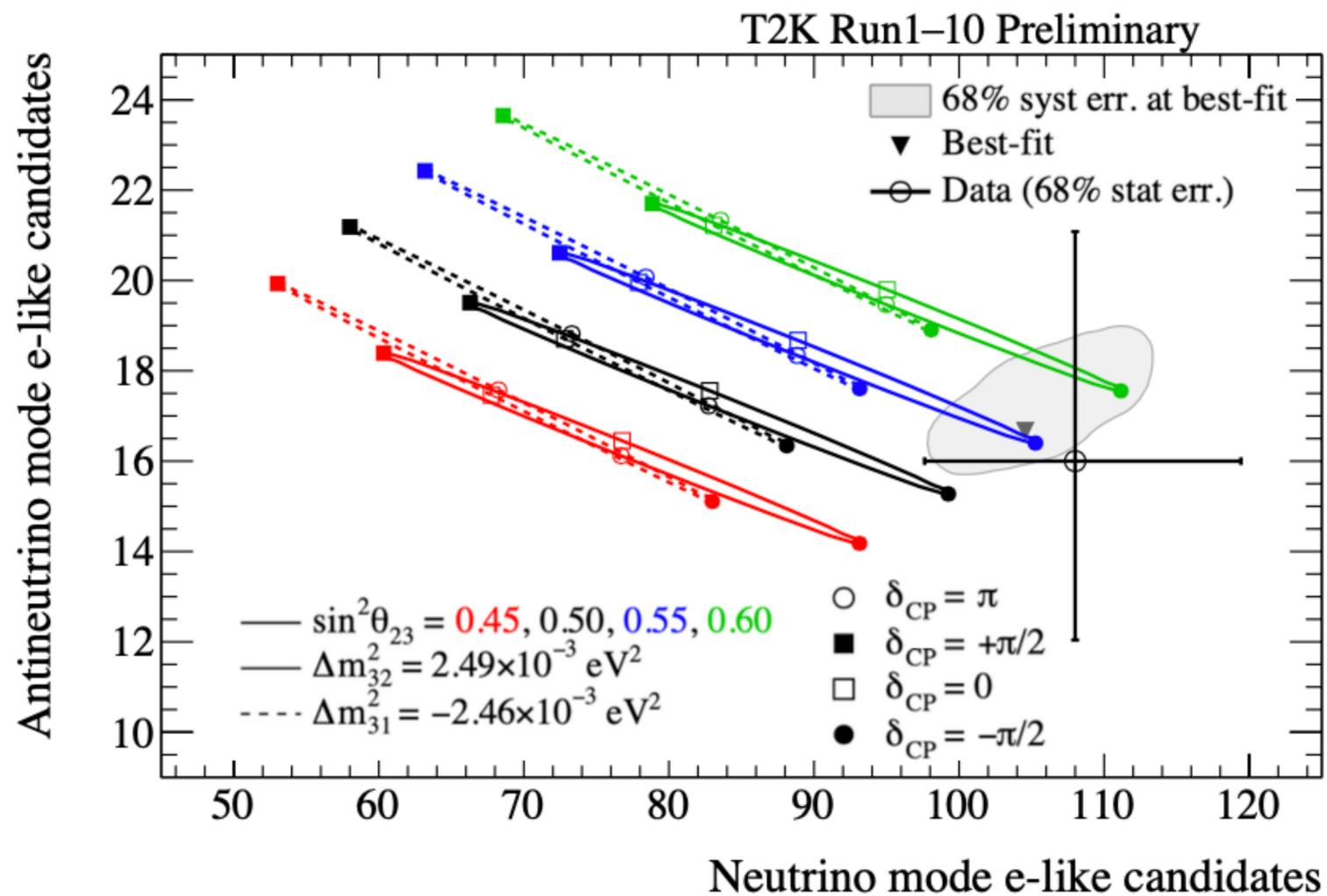
Equal ν and $\bar{\nu}$ runs

Near and Far detectors are plastic scintillators

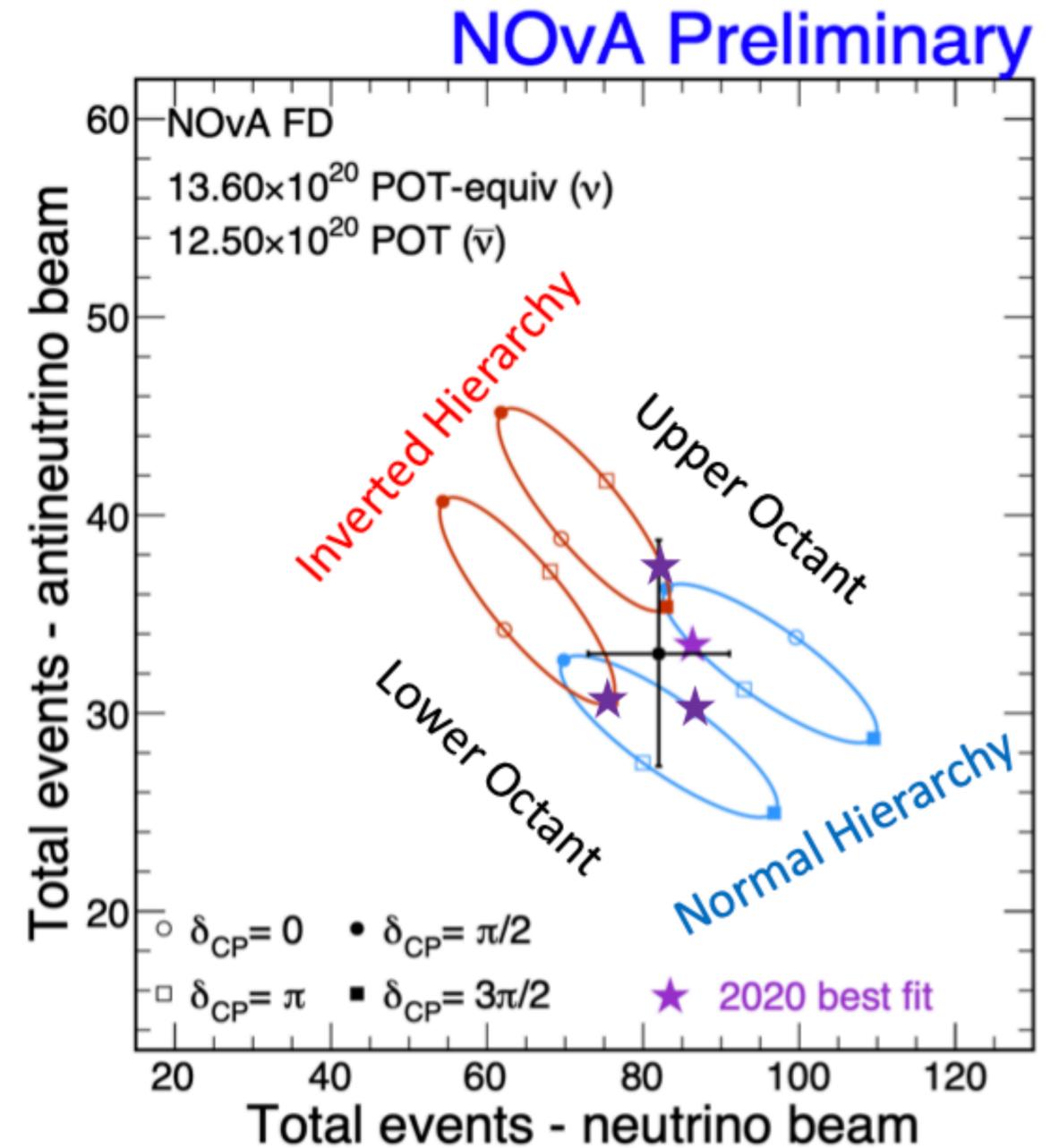


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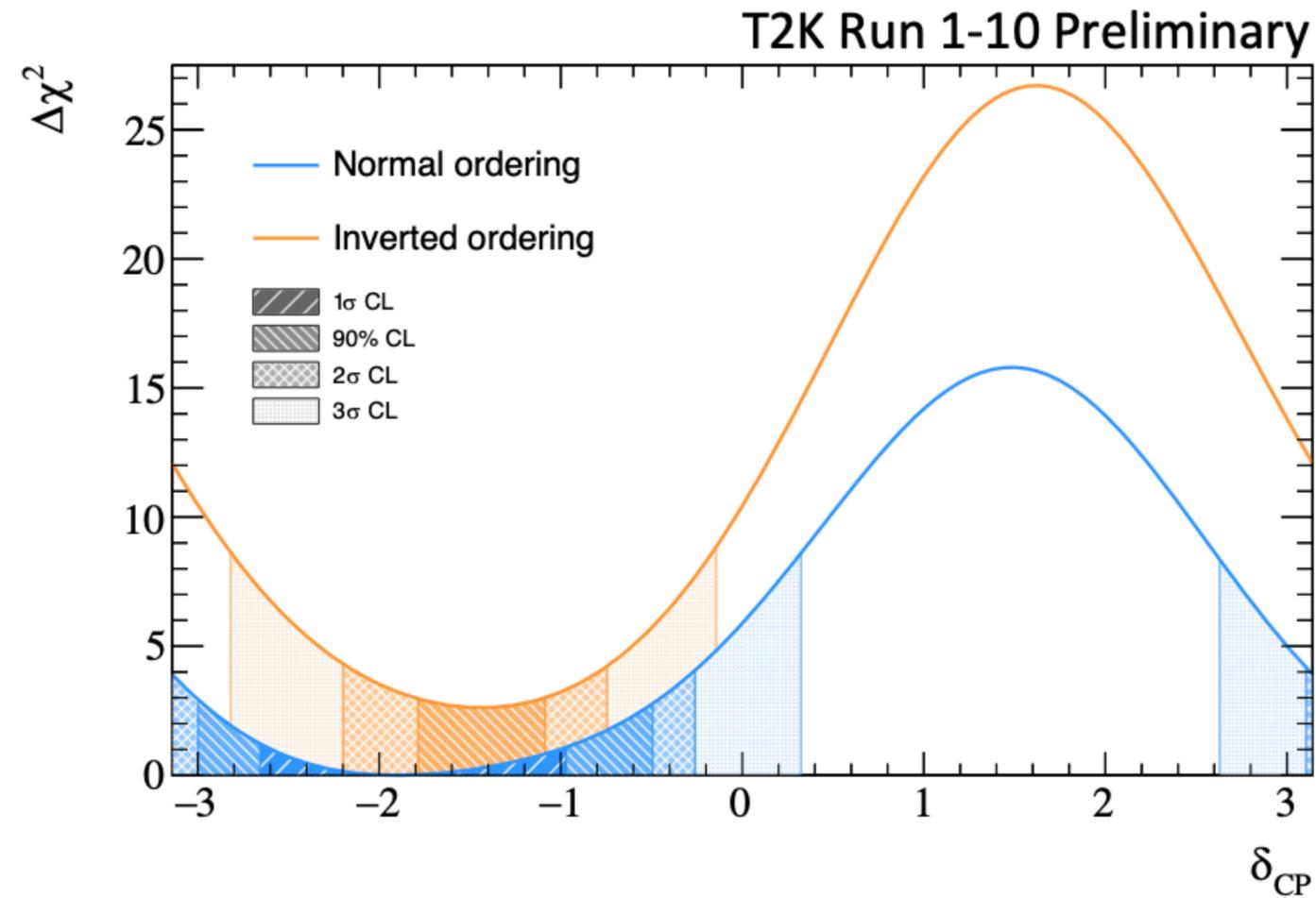


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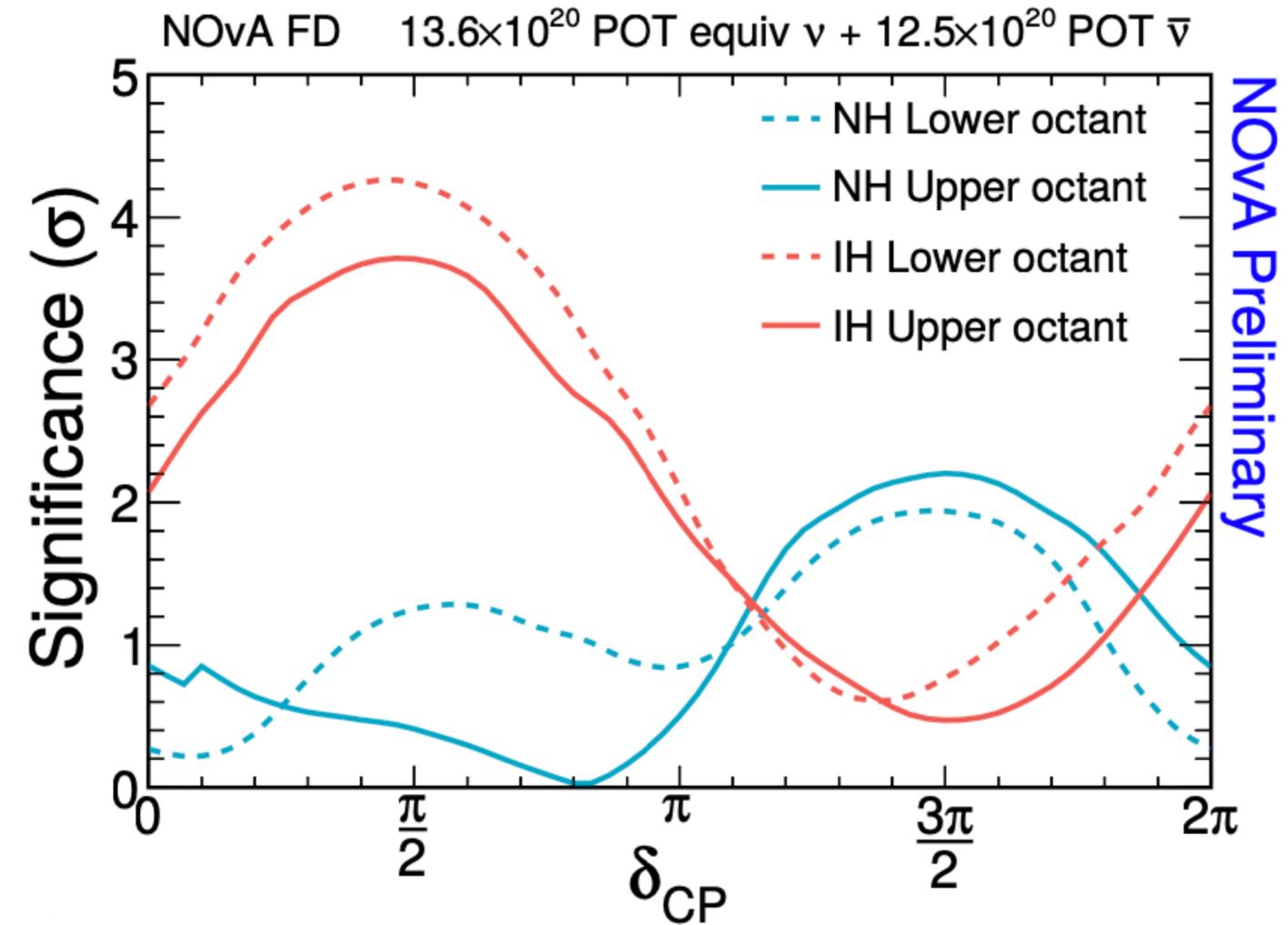


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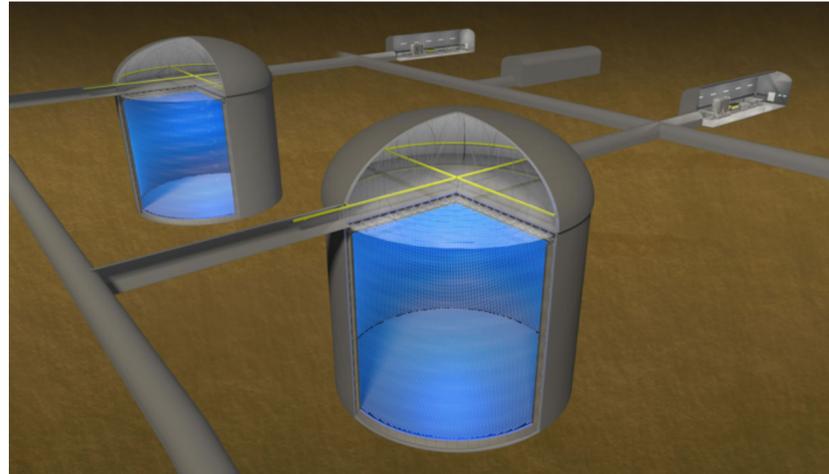


- Slight preference for Normal Hierarchy
- $\delta_{CP} = (0, \pi)$ excluded at 95% C.L. for both MH
- Large range around $\delta_{CP} = +\pi/2$ excluded at 3σ

- Prefers Normal Hierarchy at 1.0σ
- Exclude $\delta_{CP} = \pi/2 + \text{IH}$ at $>3\sigma$
- Exclude $\delta_{CP} = 3\pi/2 + \text{NH}$ at 2σ

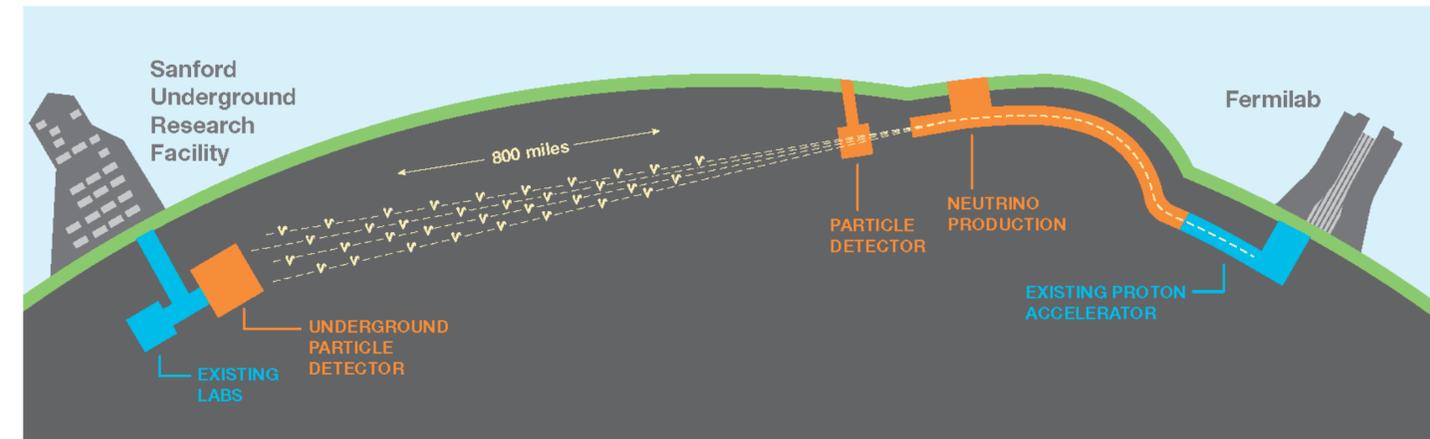
Future ν accelerator experiments

T2HK in Japan



- $L=300$ km, $E \sim 0.6$ GeV
- 260 kt water Cherenkov detector
- Proven and scalable technology
- Excellent $e-\mu$ ring separation
- Little R&D foreseen
- Only low energy beam possible (< 1 GeV)

DUNE in the US

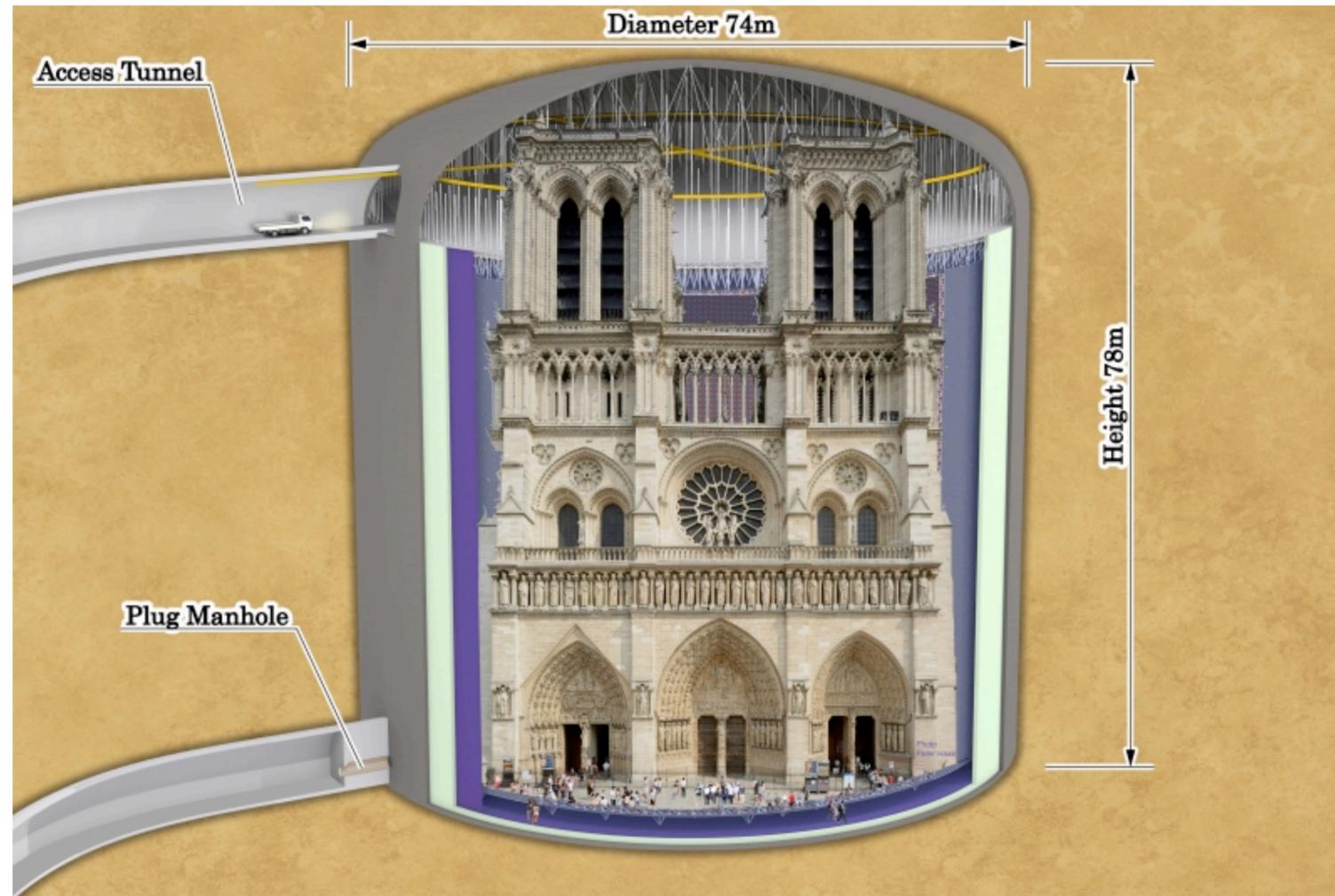


- $L=1300$ km, $E \sim 1-3$ GeV
- 40 kt liquid argon TPC detector
- 3D imaging with high granularity for precise tracking
- Low energy threshold (~ 10 s MeV)
- Important R&D efforts ongoing :
Scalability, Engineering

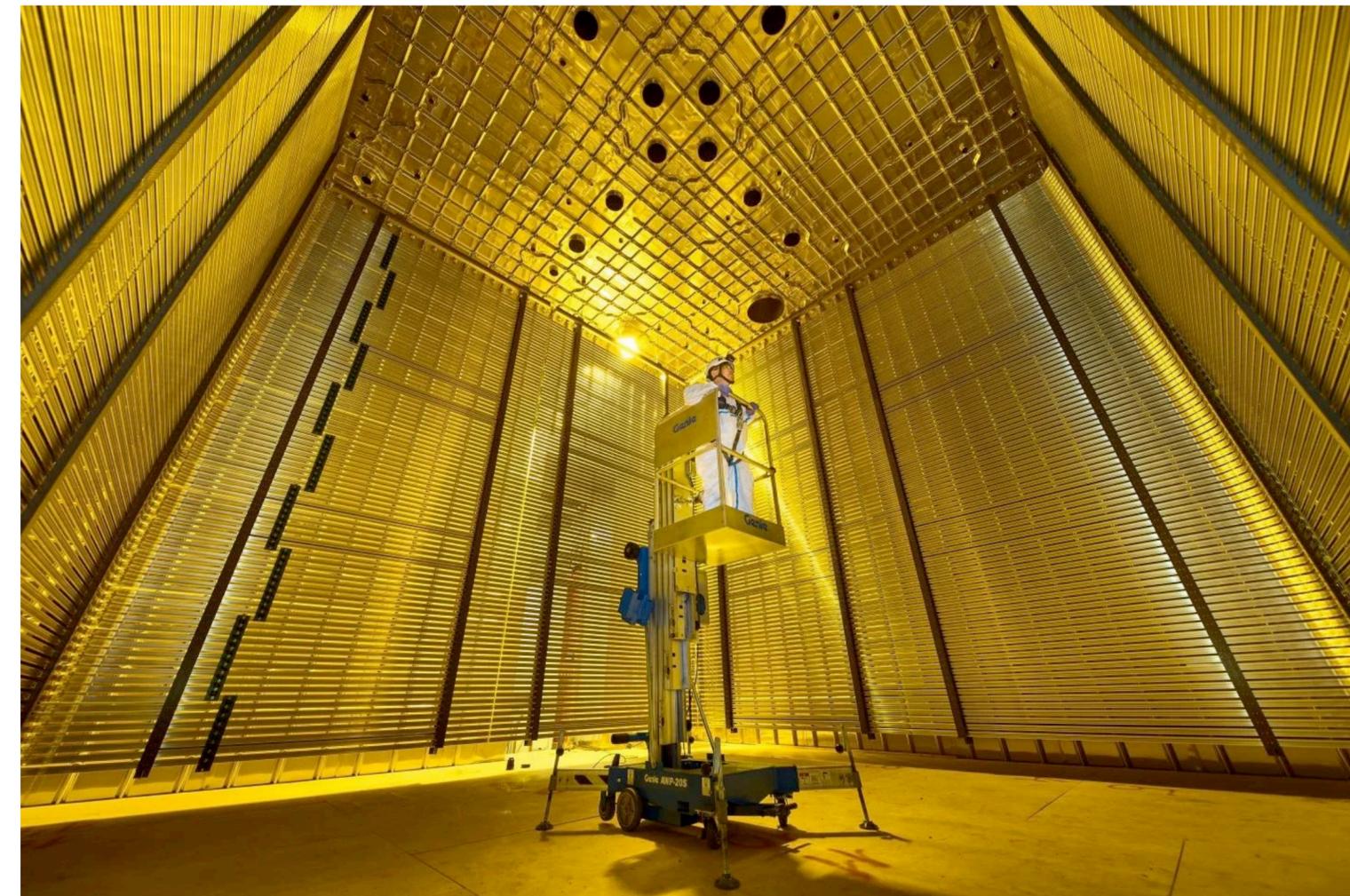
Both planning of starting data taking in ~ 2027

Future ν accelerator experiments

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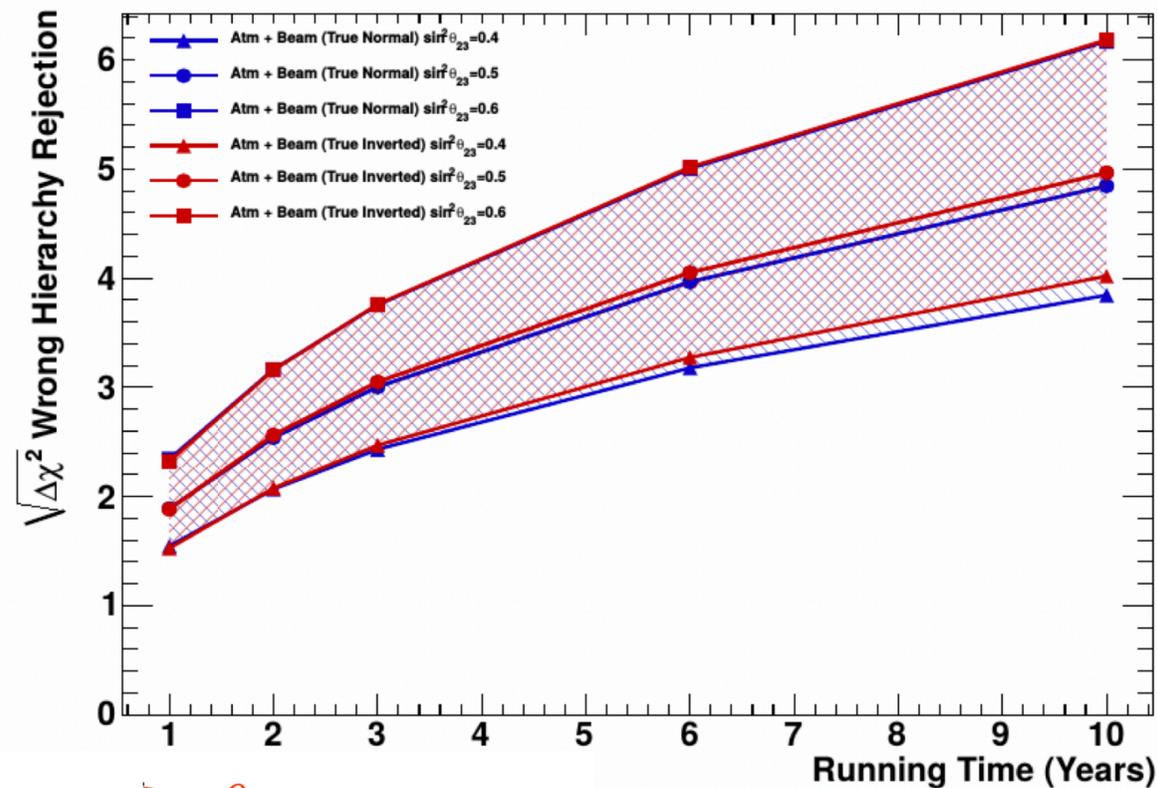


Notre-Dame will fit inside Hyper-Kamiokande !

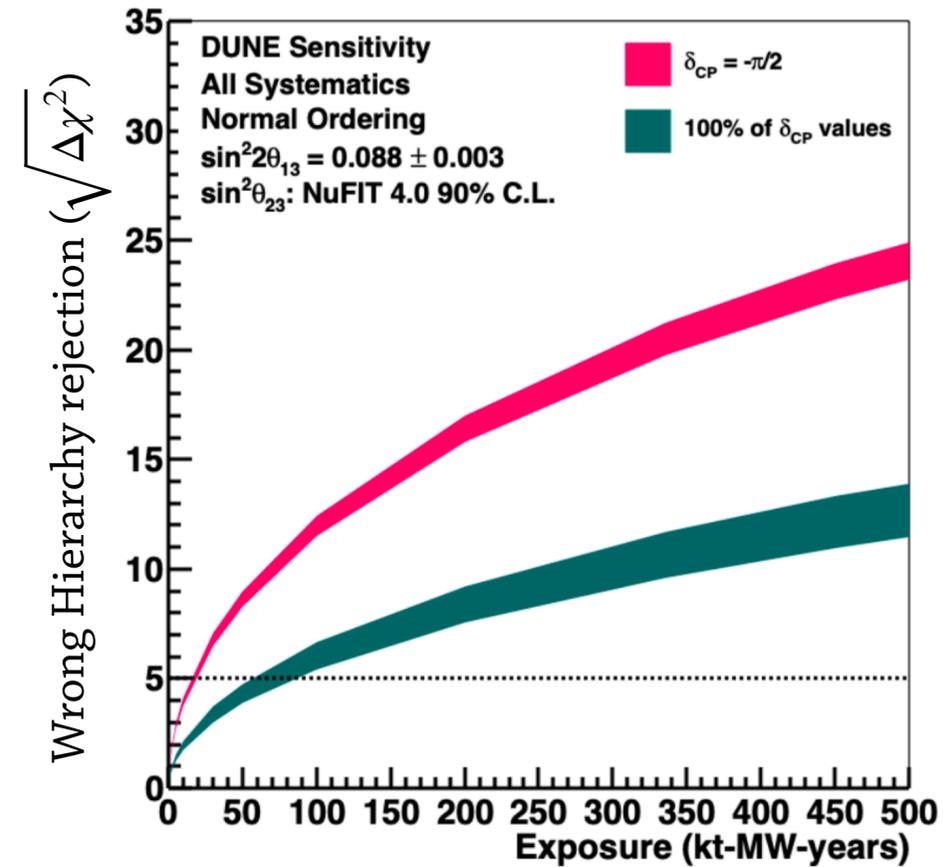
Inside DUNE prototype ($6 \times 6 \times 6 \text{ m}^3$) at CERN
-> Future : 4 modules of $60 \times 12 \times 12 \text{ m}^3$ each

Future ν accelerator experiments

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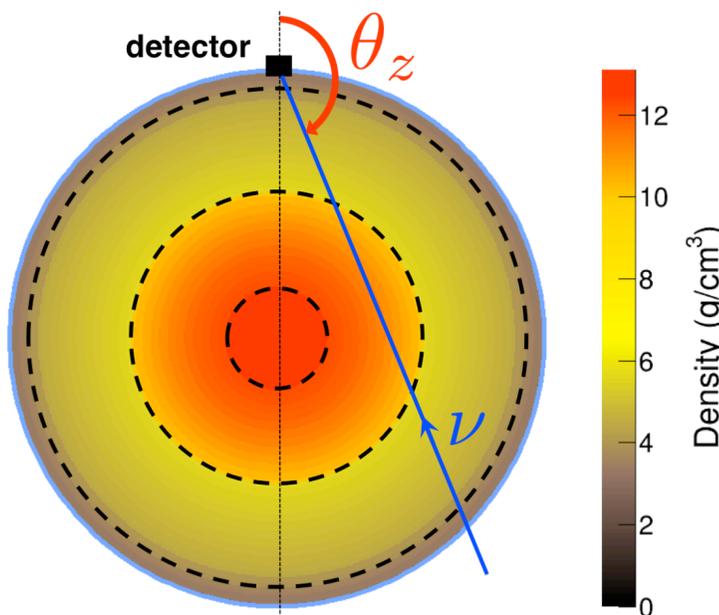


DUNE in the US



DUNE default operation :
40 kton of LAr staged
Beam power at 1.2 ~ 2.4 MW

kt·MW·yr	Staged years
30	1.2
100	3.1
200	5.2
336	7
624	10
1104	15

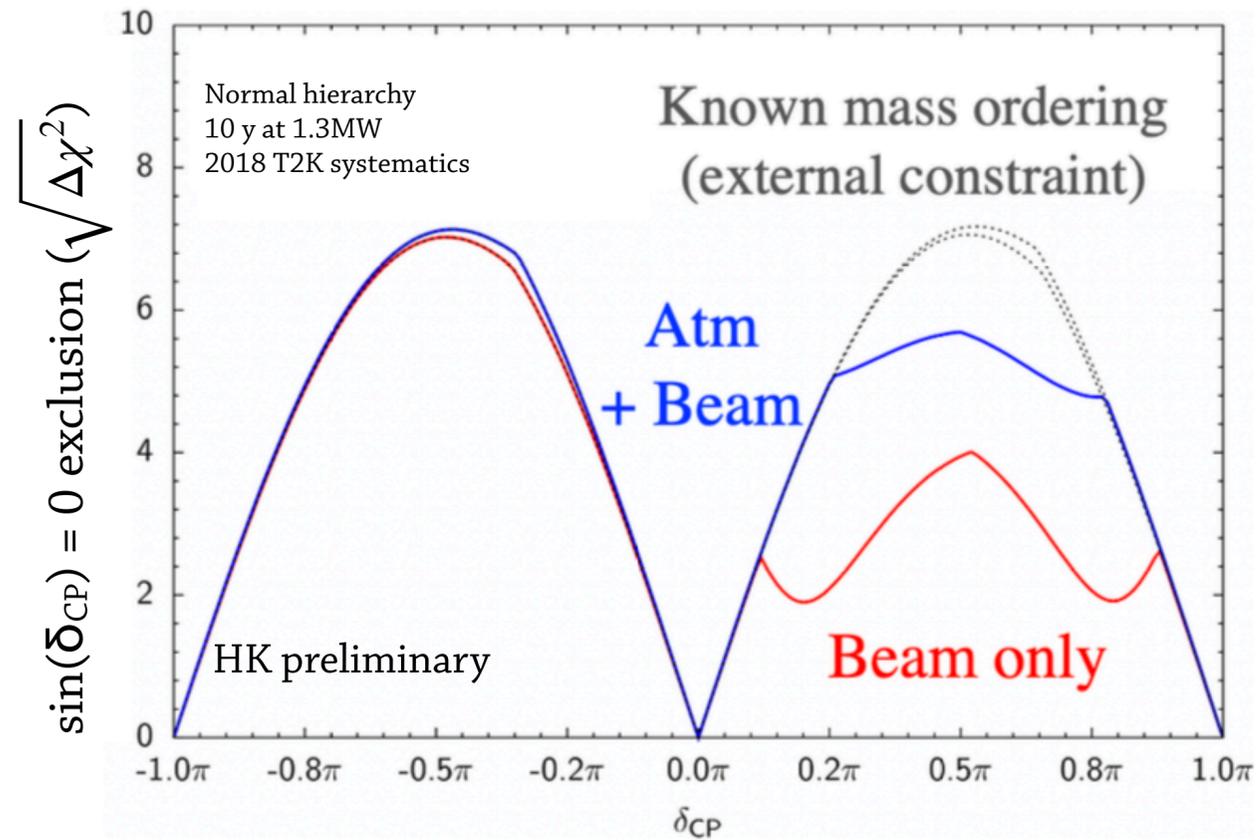


In the ideal case of $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$

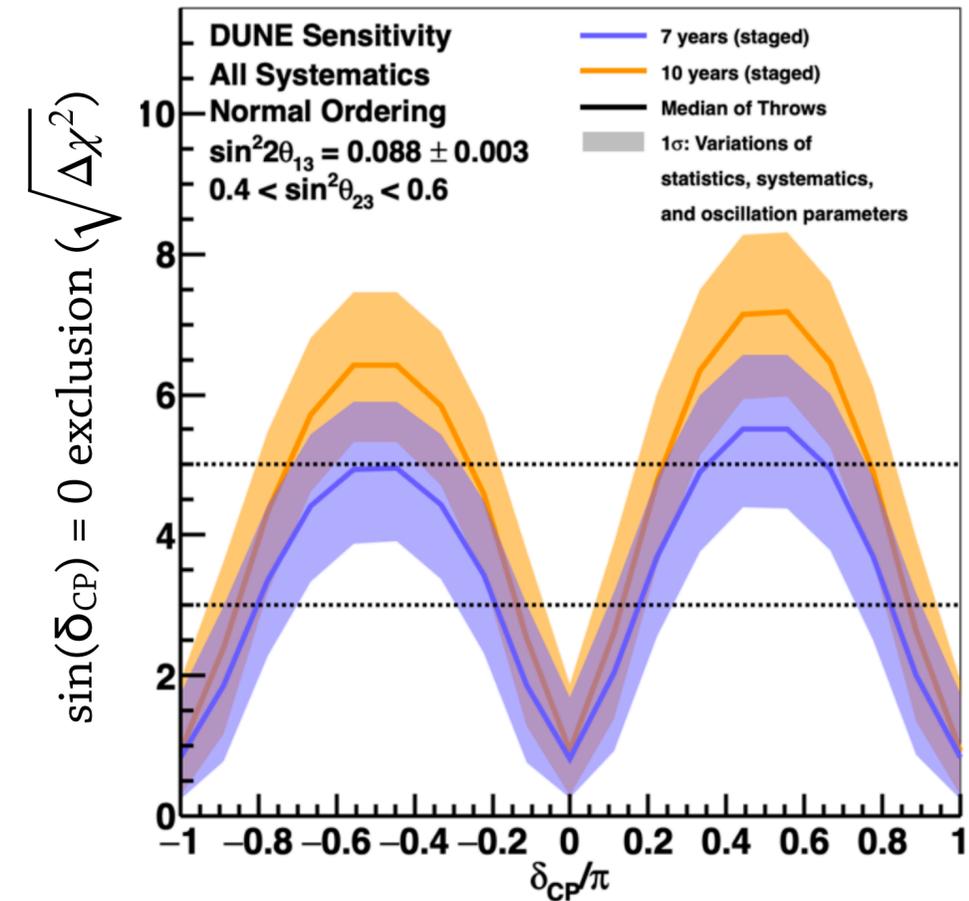
- **DUNE** will resolve the MH at 5σ in $\sim 1.5y$
[3y to exclude the wrong MH for any δ_{CP} value]
- **T2HK** itself do not have a lot of sensitivity
[can reach 5σ in 10y with beam + atmospheric ν]

Future ν accelerator experiments

T2HK in Japan



DUNE in the US

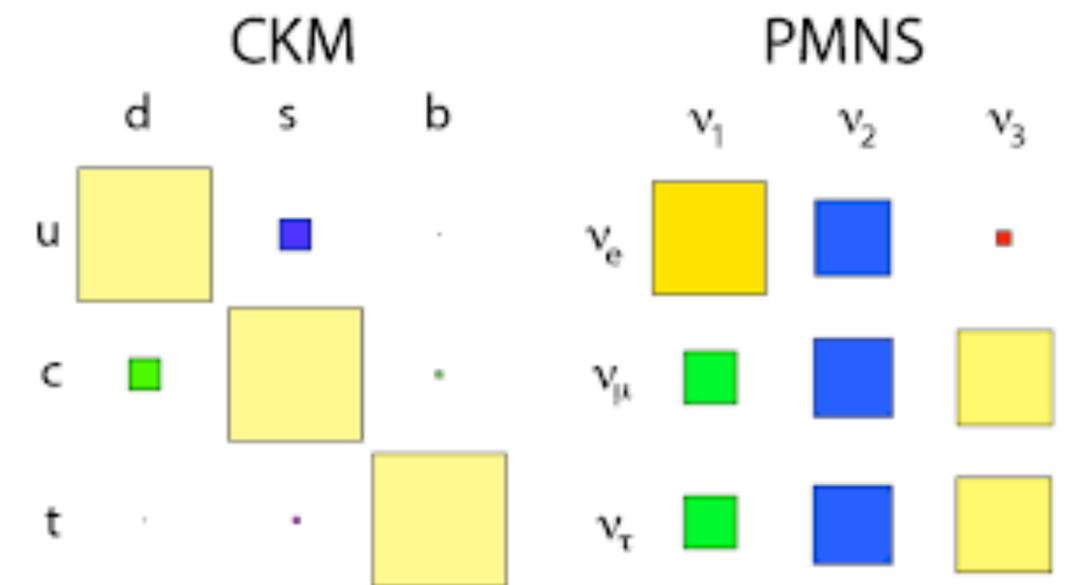


- In 10 years of operation, if the MH is known:
- **DUNE** can exclude $\delta_{CP} = (0, \pi)$ for 50% of δ_{CP} values
 - **T2HK** can reach 5σ for 60% of δ_{CP} values

CONCLUSIONS

Neutrinos **oscillates** :

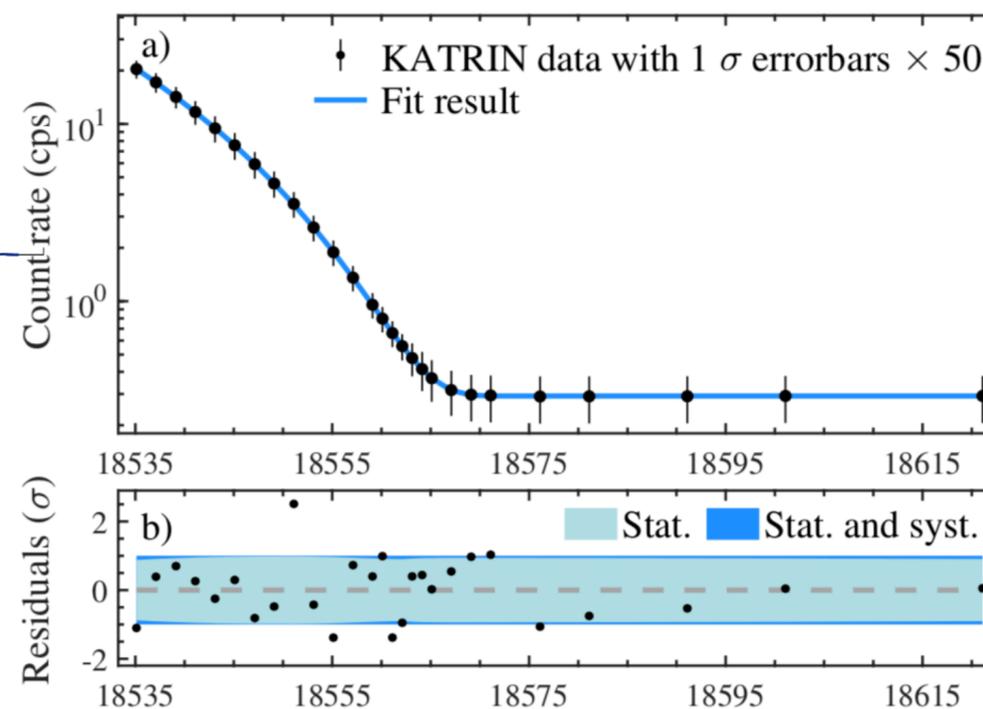
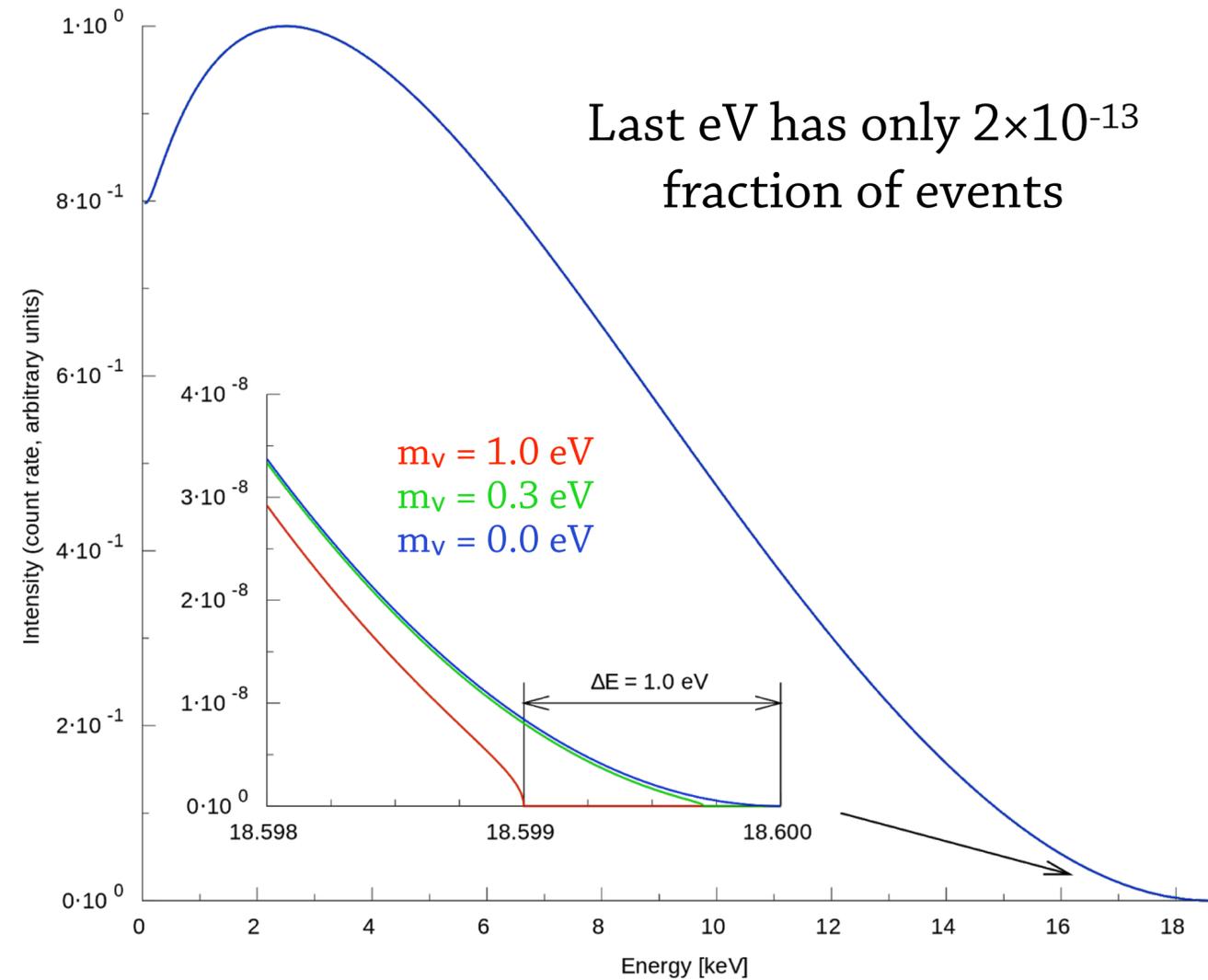
- $V_e, V_\mu, V_\tau \neq V_1, V_2, V_3$
- Two oscillation frequencies:
 fast (solar) and slow (atmospheric)
- Neutrinos **mix** a lot more than quarks
- In the next decade(s), all parameters measured:
 - matter/anti-matter asymmetry in the leptonic sector
 - neutrino mass ordering
- Neutrinos are **massive** - and it raises many other questions !
 - What mass ?
 - Mass mechanism ?
 - Could there be other neutrinos ?



Neutrino absolute mass ? *KATRIN experiment in Germany*

Look at the **end-point** of the β spectrum

↳ rare cases were the e^- takes most of the available energy



Current limit :
 $m_{\bar{\nu}_e} \leq 0.45$ eV at 90% CL

How neutrinos get massive? $\beta\beta 0\nu$ experiments (SuperNEMO, CUORE, SNO+)

o The **Dirac** way

Through Higgs coupling

Need a sterile right handed ν

$$\mathcal{L}_{mass}^D = -m_D(\bar{\nu}_R\nu_L + \bar{\nu}_L\nu_R)$$

$$m_D = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}Y_\nu \leftarrow \sim 10^{-12} \text{ (why?)}$$

o The **Majorana** way

No distinction between ν and $\bar{\nu}$

Mass given by seesaw mechanism

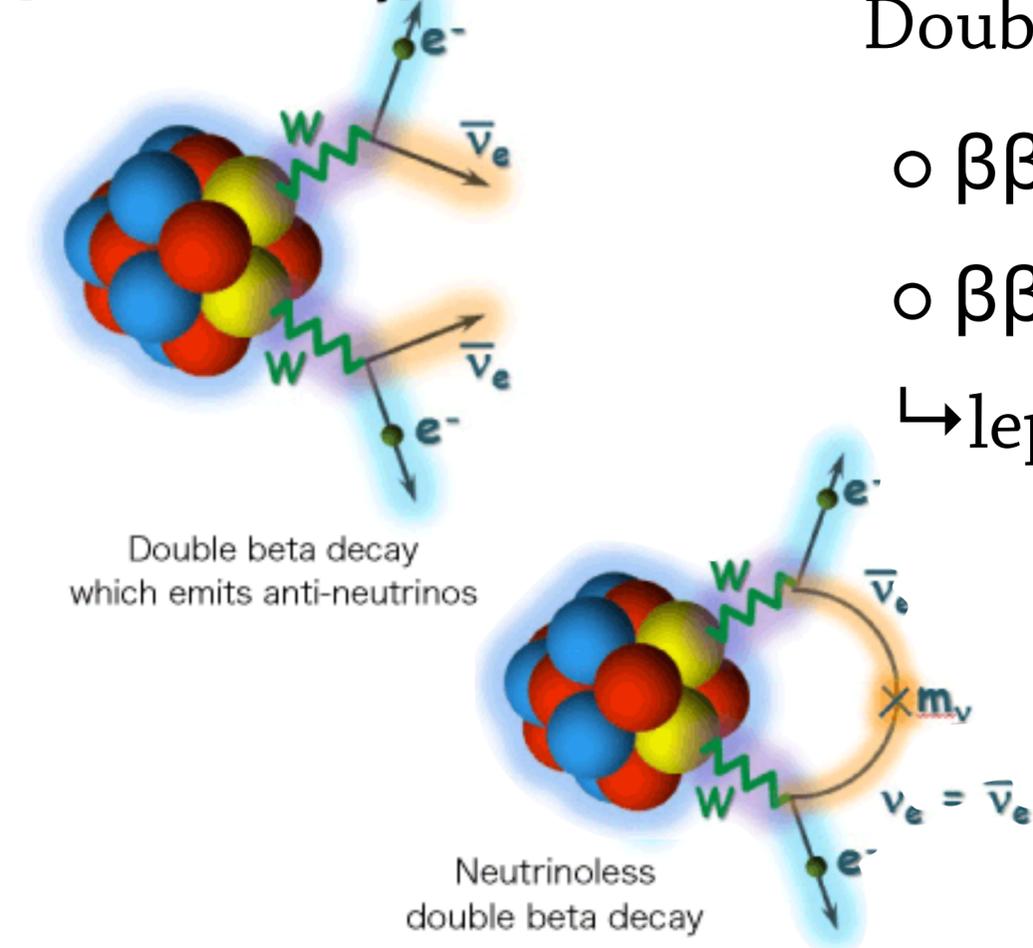
Need massive neutrinos

$$\nu_R = C\bar{\nu}_L^T = \nu_L^C$$

$$m = \frac{m_D^2}{m_R} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Dirac term} \\ \leftarrow \text{Very big} \end{matrix}$$

→ Only one way to prove that neutrino are Majorana particles :

[Double beta decay]

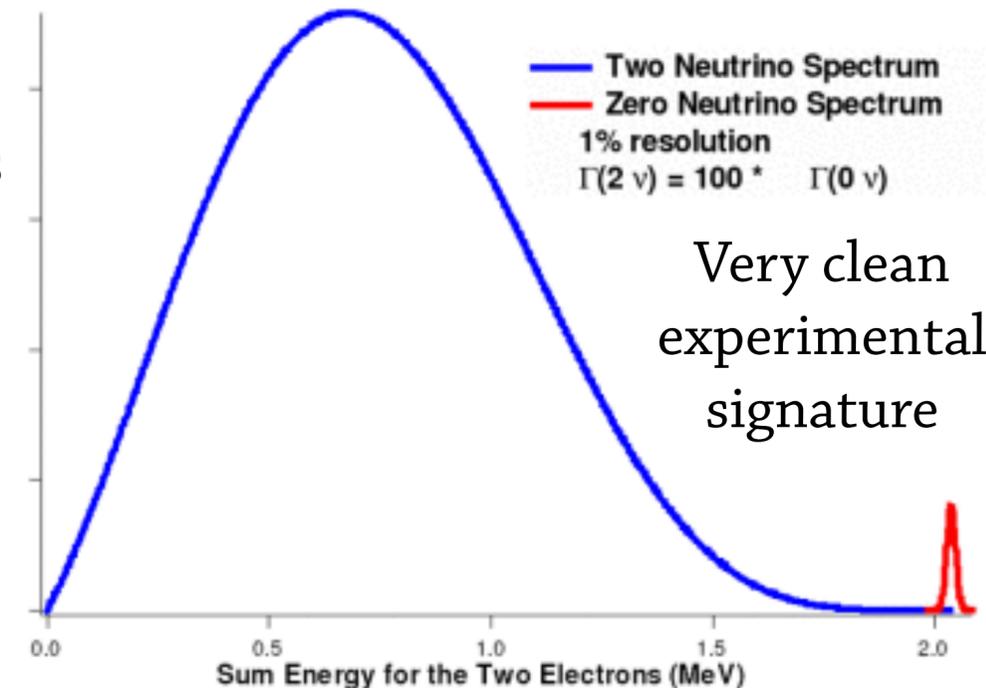


Double β decay with **no** neutrino emission

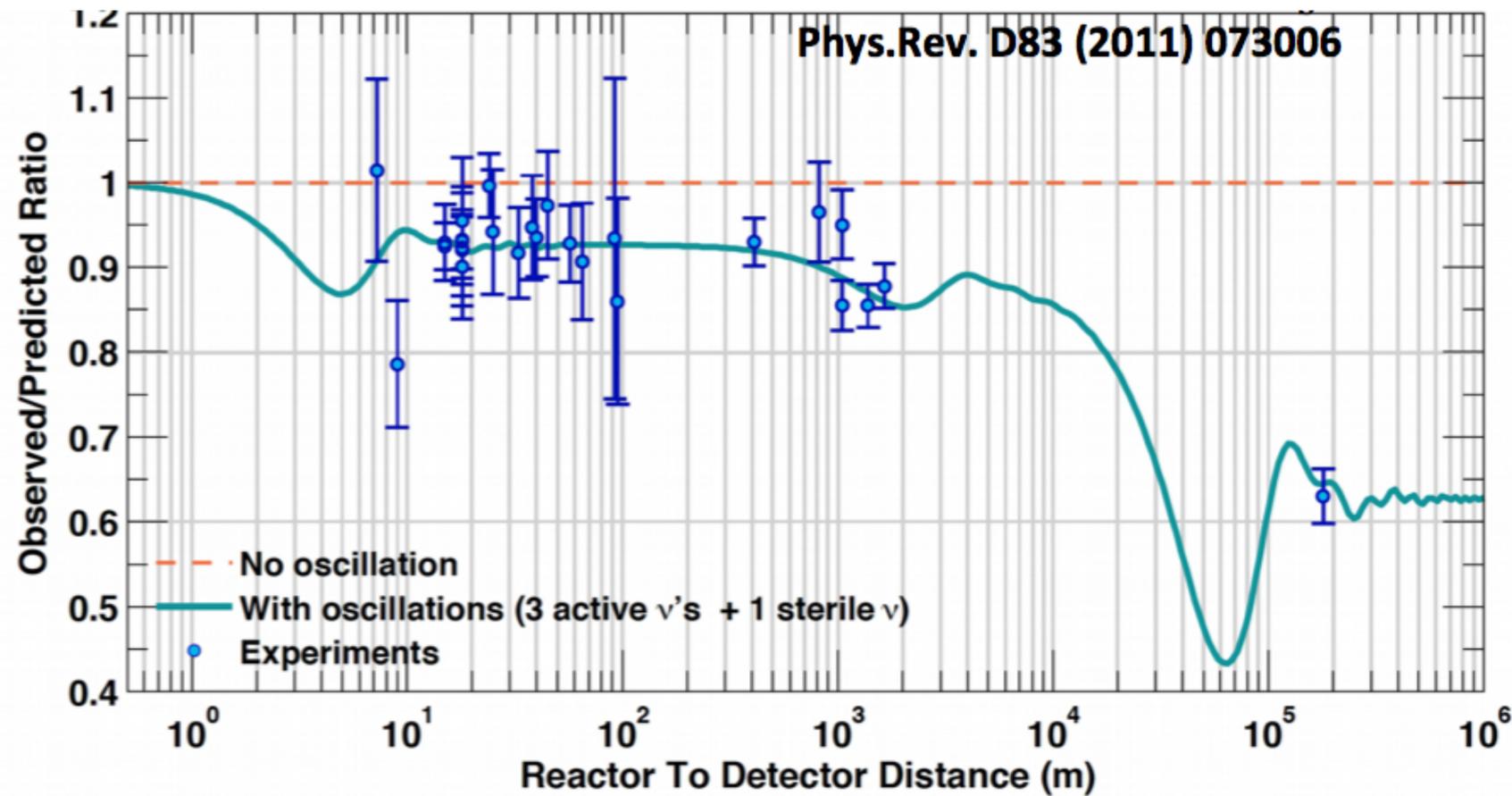
o $\beta\beta 2\nu$ is very rare (half life $\sim 10^{18} - 10^{24}$ y)

o $\beta\beta 0\nu$ is **forbidden** in SM

↳ lepton number violated by 2 units



Only 3 Neutrinos ? **STEREO, SOLID, PROSPECT,...**



A revised reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux analysis showed that all past ν experiments had a **~6% deficit** at small distances (3σ)

- > Problem with reactor flux ?
- > Existence of a sterile neutrinos ?

- Sterile because this neutrino cannot interact with weak force: it would be invisible

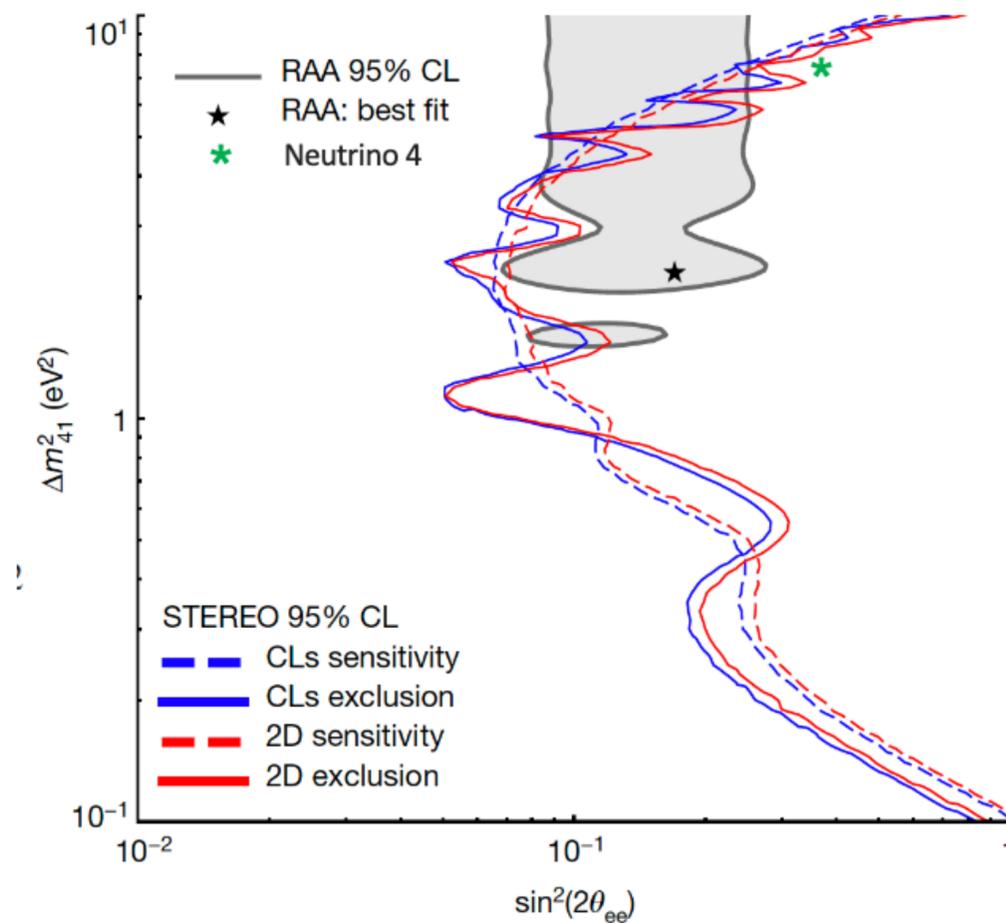
- But all 4 neutrinos could oscillate within each others

→ **New mass splitting and new mixing angle**

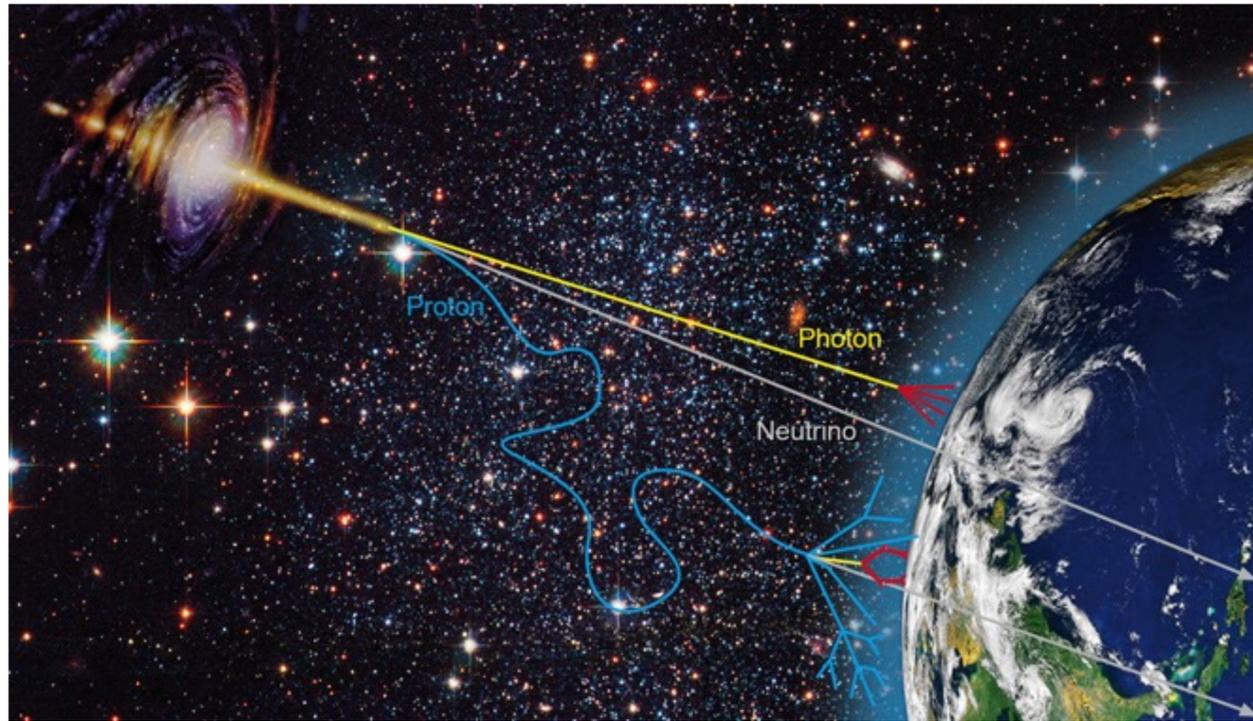
$\Delta m^2 \sim 2 \text{ eV}^2$
 $\sin^2(2\theta) \sim 0.15$
 $L_{\text{osc}} \sim \text{few m}$

Best fit parameters of reactor anomaly:

Latest results from STEREO



Neutrino Astronomy: **ICECUBE, KM3NET**

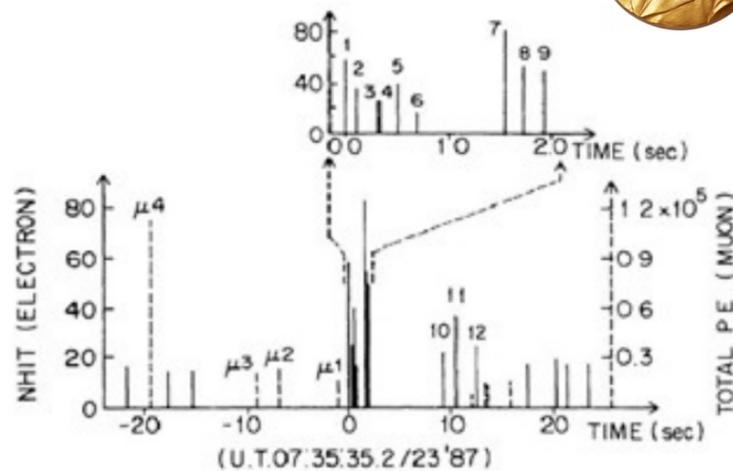


- o Unlike protons & gammas, neutrinos **points to their sources**
- o Can probe the inside of the structure
- o **No GZK threshold** : can probe far away objects

On February 23rd 1987, a supernova exploded in the large magellan cloud (170 000 l.y.)

3h before the light signal, three neutrino detectors observed a large number of events in a very short time (**24 events in 13s**)

9 @ Kamiokande



o 99% of the SN energy is released as neutrinos

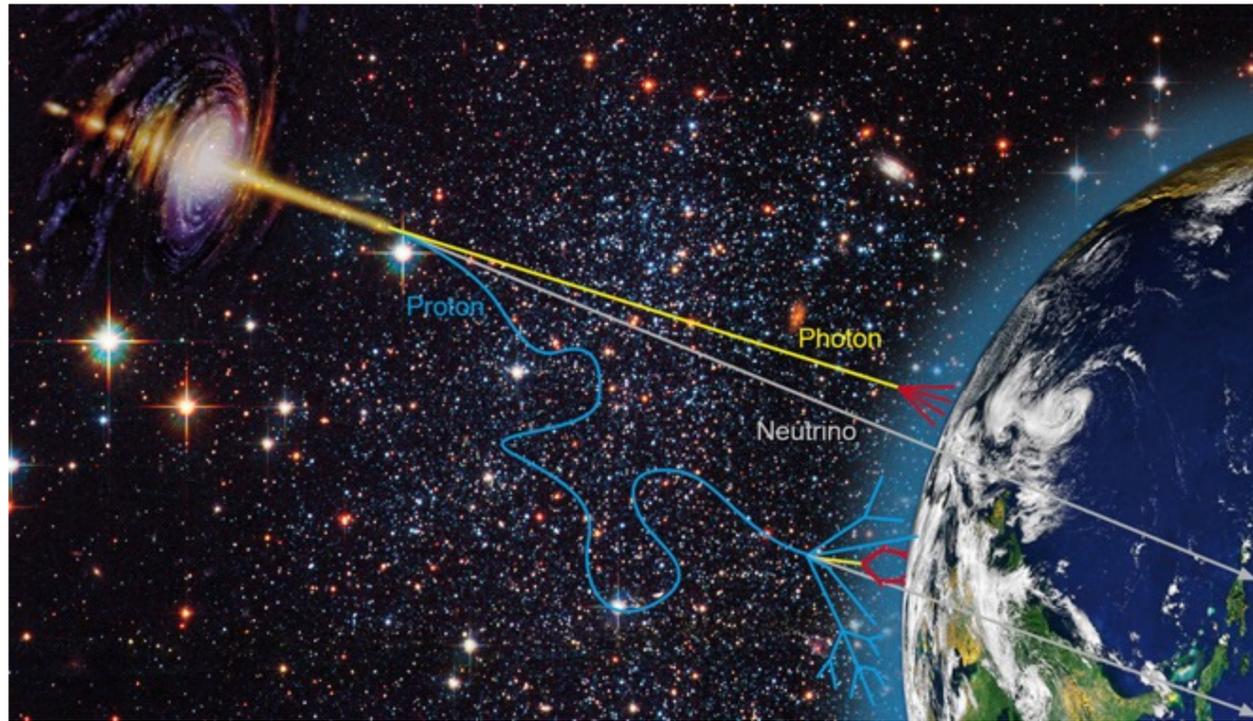
o 1st case of neutrino astronomy and multi-messenger

o all ν experiments waiting for next nearby SN explosion

SN1987A



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On September 22nd 2017 : **Simultaneous** light & neutrino detection from the TXS 0506+056 blazar (3σ , $E_\nu = 290$ TeV)
 (blazar = Active Galactic Nucleus with one jet pointing to earth)

- 1st case of planned **multi-messenger** astronomy
- Confirmed that blazar emits neutrinos

