

# ***Neutrino oscillations: atmospheric and accelerator experiments***

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# The renaissance of neutrinos (I)

- The evidence for **neutrino masses** and **neutrino mixing** (two surprises) has triggered an enormous excitement and activity around the subject
  - ↳ Solar neutrino experiments (see J. Bouchez's talk)
  - ↳ **Atmospheric neutrino experiments**
  - ↳ **Accelerator neutrino experiments**
  - ↳ Double beta decay experiments
- It was not obvious ! It came with some reluctance !
  - ↳ Theory:
    - First “**breaking**” of the **Standard Model** since it was founded in **1967** (which otherwise dramatically confirmed by all experiments to very high precision) !!
    - **Cosmological (HDM)  $\mu$ ?**
    - **Large mixing angles?**
  - ↳ Experiment:
    - **Misunderstood backgrounds?** **Statistical treatments?** etc...
- In fact, the issue is **NOT** solved: neutrino is **hot** topic !
  - ↳ E.g. LSND, double-beta decay signals, etc...



# Renaissance of neutrino physics (II)

Some selected top cited papers in the QSPRES data base

#citations

1.	<b>A MODEL OF LEPTONS</b> By S. Weinberg (MIT, LNS). <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.19:1264-1266,1967</a>	5092
2.	<b>EVIDENCE FOR OSCILLATION OF ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINOS.</b> By Super-Kamiokande Collaboration (Y. Fukuda <i>et al.</i> ), Jul 1998. 9pp. <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.81:1562-1567,1998</a>	1286
3.	<b>OBSERVATION OF TOP QUARK PRODUCTION IN ANTI-P P COLLISIONS.</b> By CDF Collaboration (F. Abe <i>et al.</i> ), Mar 1995. 18pp. <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.74:2626-2631,1995</a>	890
4.	<b>OBSERVATION OF THE TOP QUARK.</b> By D0 Collaboration (S. Abachi <i>et al.</i> ), Mar 1995. 12pp. <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.74:2632-2637,1995</a>	850
5.	<b>EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATION OF ISOLATED LARGE TRANSVERSE ENERGY ELECTRONS WITH ASSOCIATED MISSING ENERGY AT <math>S^{*}(1/2) = 540\text{-GeV}</math>.</b> By UA1 Collaboration (G. Amison <i>et al.</i> ), 1983. 31pp. <a href="#">Phys.Lett.B122:103-116,1983</a>	774
6.	<b>EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATION OF LEPTON PAIRS OF INVARIANT MASS AROUND <math>95\text{-GeV}/c^{*2}</math> AT THE CERN SPS COLLIDER.</b> By UA1 Collaboration, <a href="#">Phys.Lett.B126:398-410,1983</a>	747
7.	<b>EVIDENCE FOR ANTI-MUON-NEUTRINO ---&gt; ANTI-ELECTRON-NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS FROM THE LSND EXPERIMENT AT LAMPF.</b> By LSND Collaboration (C. Athanassopoulos <i>et al.</i> ), May 1996. 4pp. <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.77:3082-3085,1996</a>	500
8.	<b>MEASUREMENT OF THE SOLAR ELECTRON NEUTRINO FLUX WITH THE HOMESTAKE CHLORINE DETECTOR.</b> By Bruce T. Cleveland, Timothy Daily, Raymond Davis, Jr., James R. Distel, Kenneth Lande, C.K. Lee, Paul S. Wildenhain (Pennsylvania U.), Jack Ullman (City Coll., N.Y.), 1998. <a href="#">Astrophys.J.496:505-526,1998</a>	363
9.	<b>MEASUREMENT OF THE RATE OF <math>\text{NUE} + \text{D} \rightarrow \text{P} + \text{P} + \text{E}</math>- INTERACTIONS PRODUCED BY B-8 SOLAR NEUTRINOS AT THE SUBBURY NEUTRINO OBSERVATORY.</b> By SNO Collaboration (Q.R. Ahmad <i>et al.</i> ), Jun 2001. 6pp, <a href="#">Phys.Rev.Lett.87:071301,2001</a>	252
10.	<b>OBSERVATION OF AN EXCESS IN THE SEARCH FOR THE STANDARD MODEL HIGGS BOSON AT ALEPH.</b> By ALEPH Collaboration (R. Barate <i>et al.</i> ), Nov 2000. 20pp. <a href="#">Phys.Lett.B495:1-17,2000</a>	108

# Neutrino mass is NEW physics...

- From point of view of theory, electrically neutral neutrinos can possess two types of mass terms:

**Dirac-Mass term**

**Majorana-Mass term**

$$-\mathcal{L} = m_D (\bar{\nu}_R \nu_L + h.c.) + m_L (\bar{\nu}_L \nu_R^c + h.c.)$$

- Experimentally it appears that:
  - The state of neutrinos is fully  $\nu_L$
  - The state of antineutrinos is fully  $\nu_R^c$
- Dirac mass term:** If  $\nu_R$  and  $\nu_L^c$  exist in Nature, new physics beyond SM to describe their interactions (sterile in SM other than due to mass)
- Majorana mass term:**  $\nu_R$  and  $\nu_L^c$  do not need to exist, but then coupling between neutrino and antineutrino: Lepton number L not conserved. Cannot be generated by standard Higgs-mechanism. Dim-5 operator  $L^T \nu_R^c L \nu_R^c M \nu_R^c$  SM is an effective theory (new physics beyond SM).

# Neutrino flavor oscillation probability

- The case with three neutrinos: ( $c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$ ,  $s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$ )

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & 0 & 0 & c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} e^{i\theta} & c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} & 0 & 1 & 0 & s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ s_{23} & c_{23} & c_{23} & s_{13} e^{-i\theta} & 0 & c_{13} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Solar and atmospheric data are compatible with  $\theta_{13} \approx 0$  and present limit from CHOOZ is  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.1$ :

→ experimentally decouple two 2x2 mixing matrices  $U_1(\theta_{12})$  and  $U_2(\theta_{23})$

→ And  $|\theta_{12}| \ll |\theta_{23}|$  where  $\theta_{ij}^2 = \text{mass squared difference}$

- The two-flavor oscillation probabilities are then essentially:

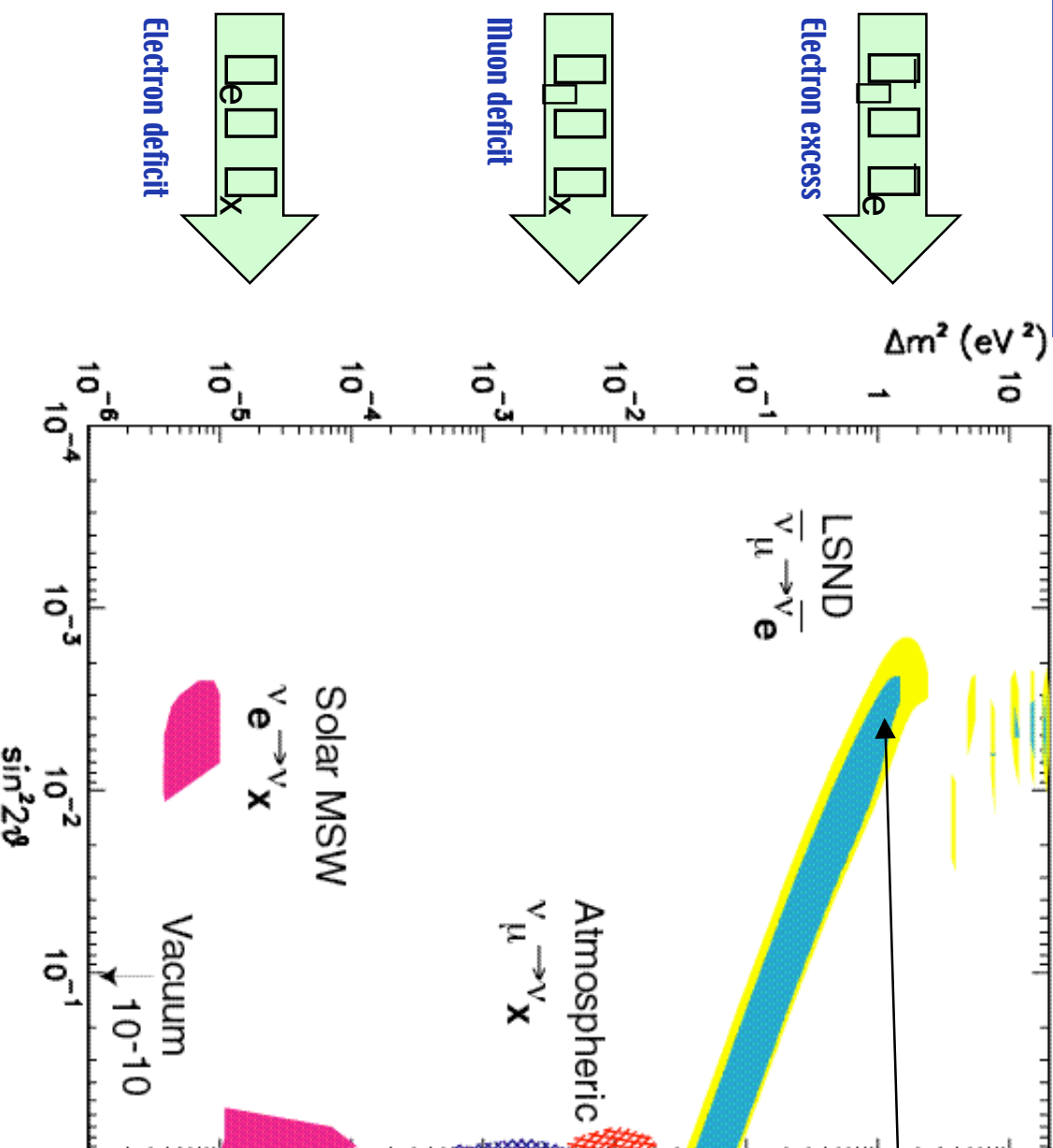
$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \left[ 1.27 \theta_{12}^2 (eV^2) \frac{L(km)}{E(GeV)} \right] \quad \text{for solar}$$

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \sin^2 \left[ 1.27 \theta_{23}^2 (eV^2) \frac{L(km)}{E(GeV)} \right] \quad \text{for atmospheric}$$

where  $L$  = distance between source and detector

$E$  = neutrino energy

# Two-neutrino oscillation



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{\text{LSND}}^2 &\approx 1 \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta &\approx 0.003 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 &\approx 10^{-3} - 10^{-2} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta &\approx 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{\text{solar}}^2 &\approx 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta &\approx 0.8 \text{ or } 0.008 \end{aligned}$$

Matter enhanced (MSW effect)

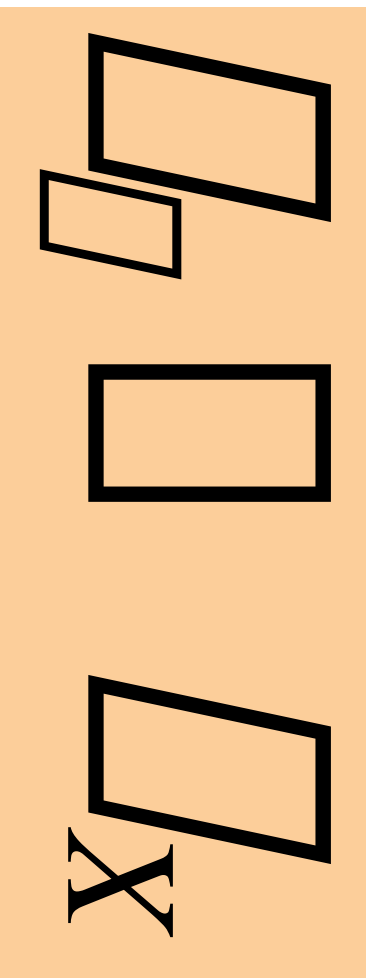
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{\text{solar}}^2 &\approx 10^{-10} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta &\approx 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

Vacuum oscillation

# 1) Evidence for

## atmospheric muon neutrino disappearance

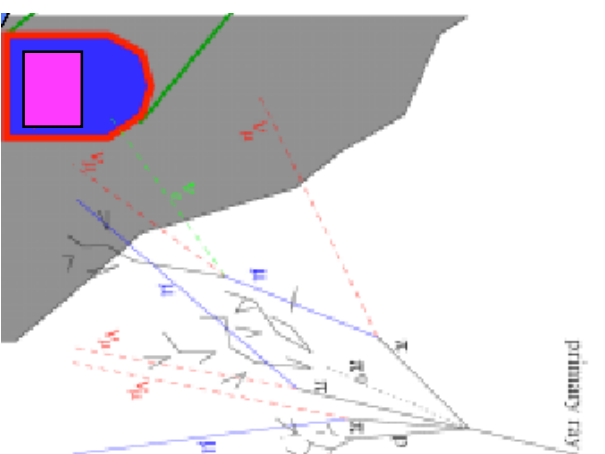
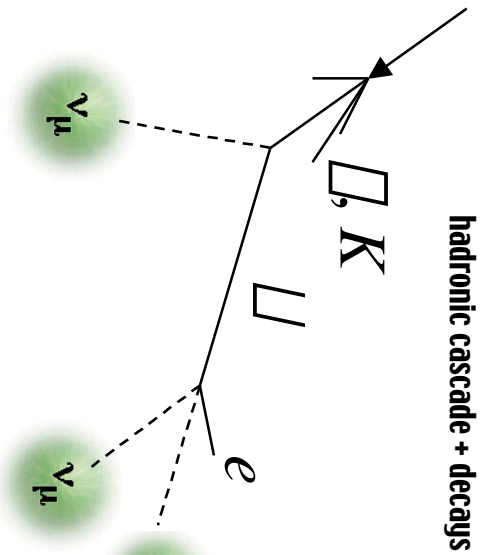
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with

$m^2 \ll O(10^3 eV^2)$  and large mixing

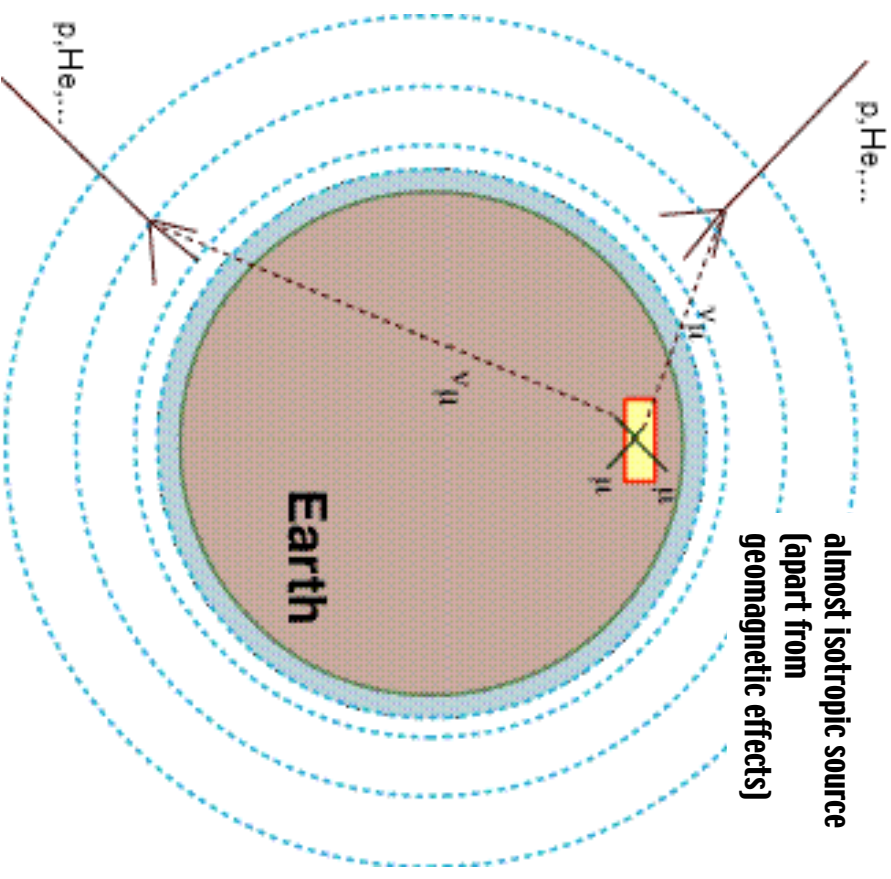
# Atmospheric neutrinos



$$R = \frac{N_{\pi} + N_{K}}{N_e + N_{\mu}} \approx 2$$

Predicted ratio of muon to electron neutrinos

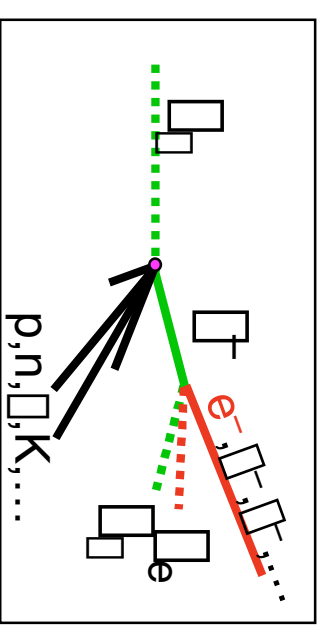
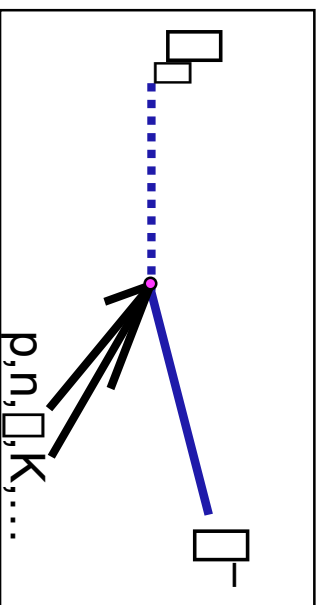
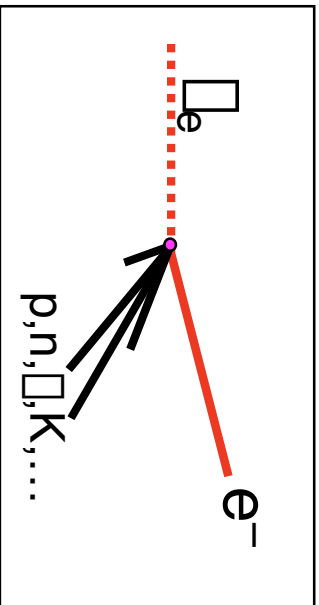
**Interaction rate:**  
**≈ 150 CC events/kton/year**  
**Average energy:**  
**≈ 400 MeV**





# Neutrino detection

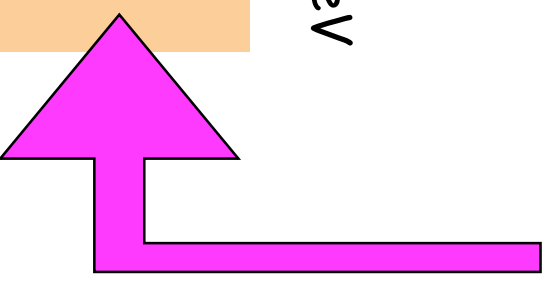
Neutrinos interact **VERY** rarely with matter - when they do, they often produce **a charged lepton of their “own character”**:



**NOTE: a minimum amount of energy is needed (to create the mass of the lepton):**

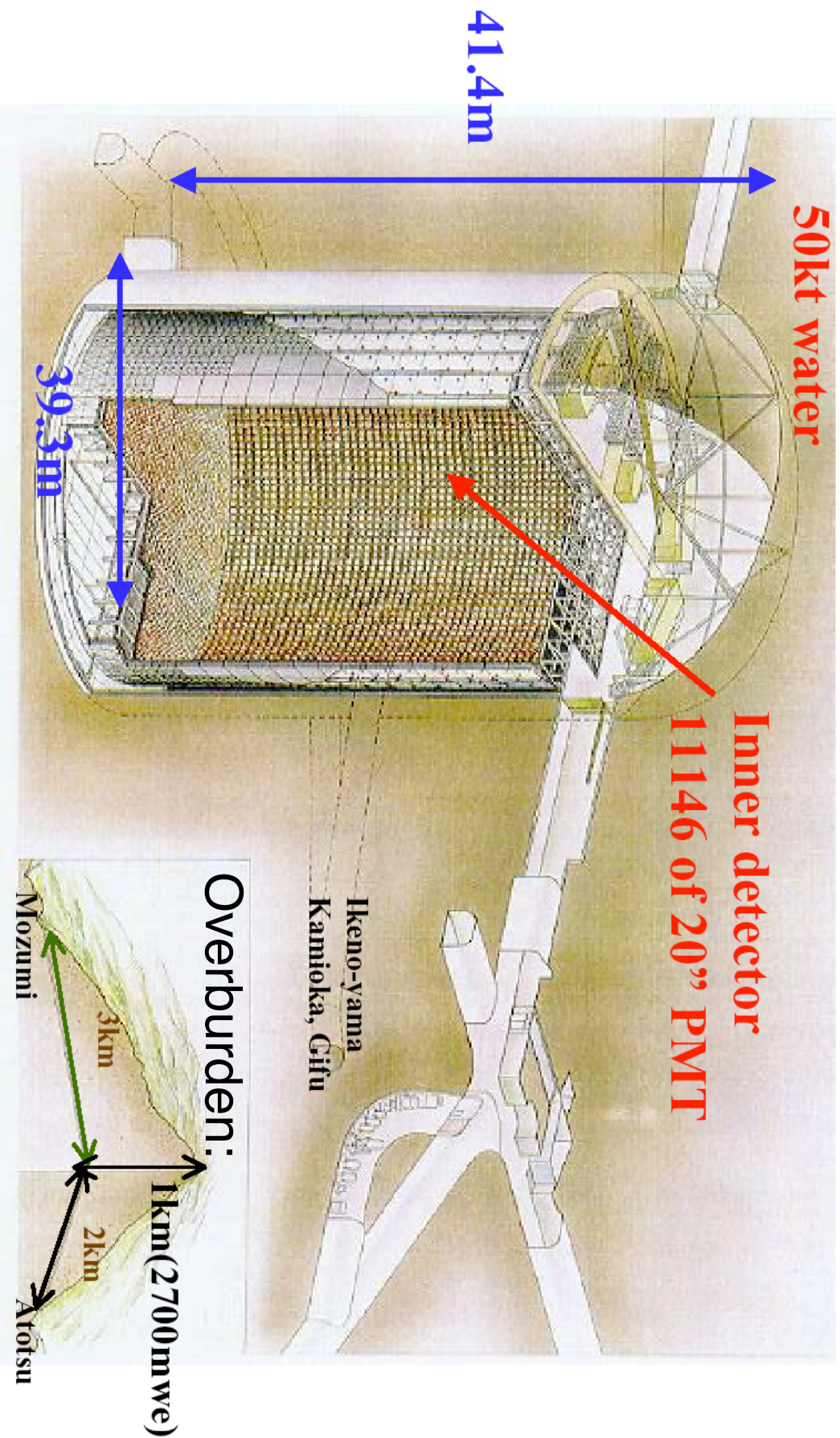
$$m_e = 0.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad - \quad m_\mu = 106 \text{ MeV} \quad - \quad m_\tau = 1770 \text{ MeV}$$

- Tau neutrino not expected in atmospheric flux (if no oscillations)
- In any case, atmospheric tau neutrinos are very difficult to detect because (1) energy threshold (i.e. very low rate) (2) hard to distinguish from  $e^-$  or  $\mu^-$  interactions



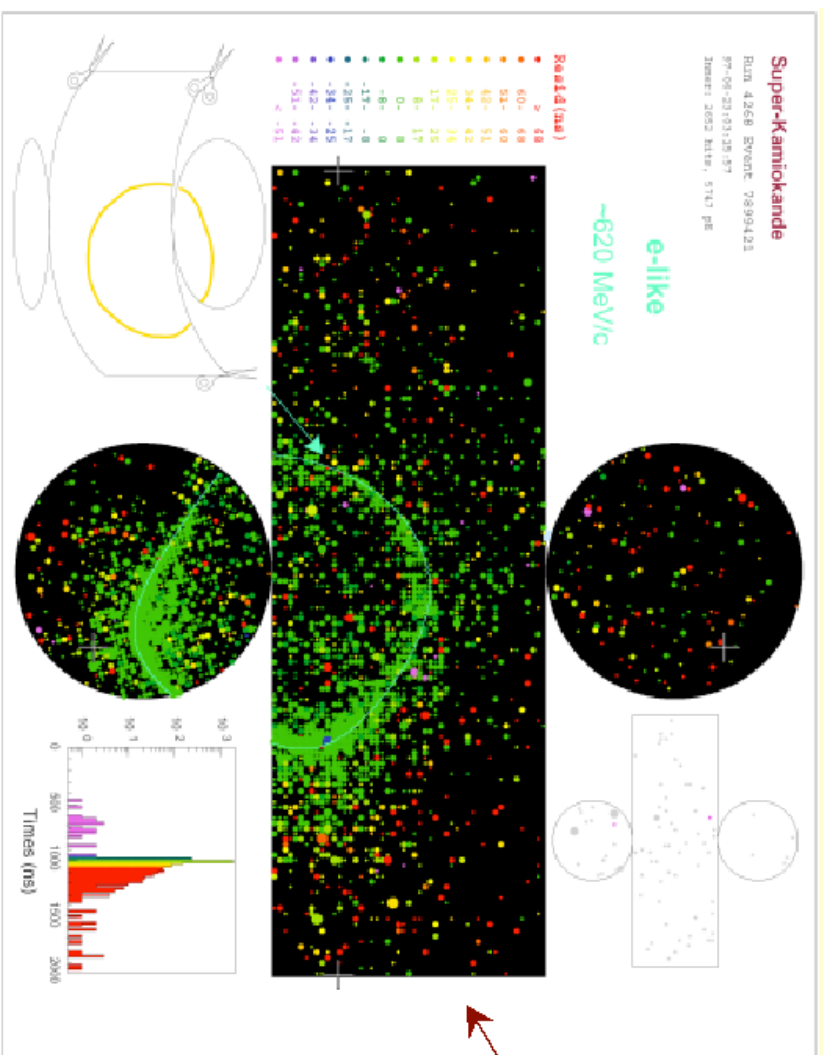
# SuperKamioKande Detector

Very large Water Cerenkov detector: Fiducial mass 22.5 kton



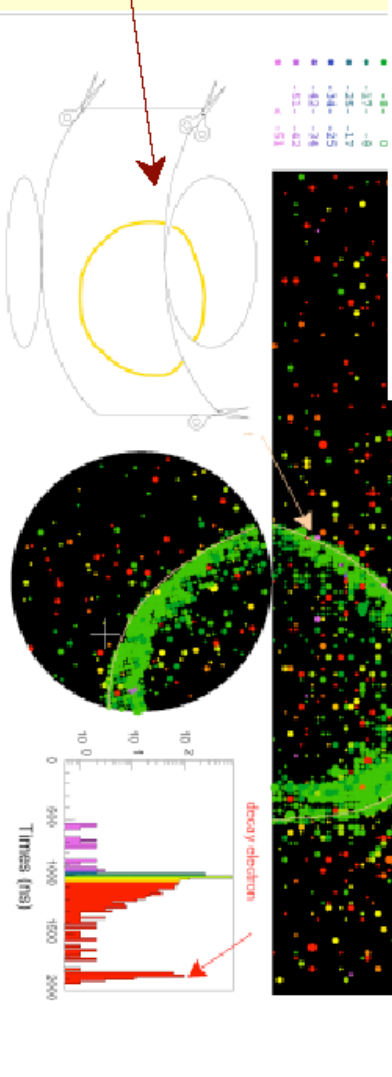
Operation from April 1996 till November 2001 (currently under repair)

# Electron and muon events in SuperK

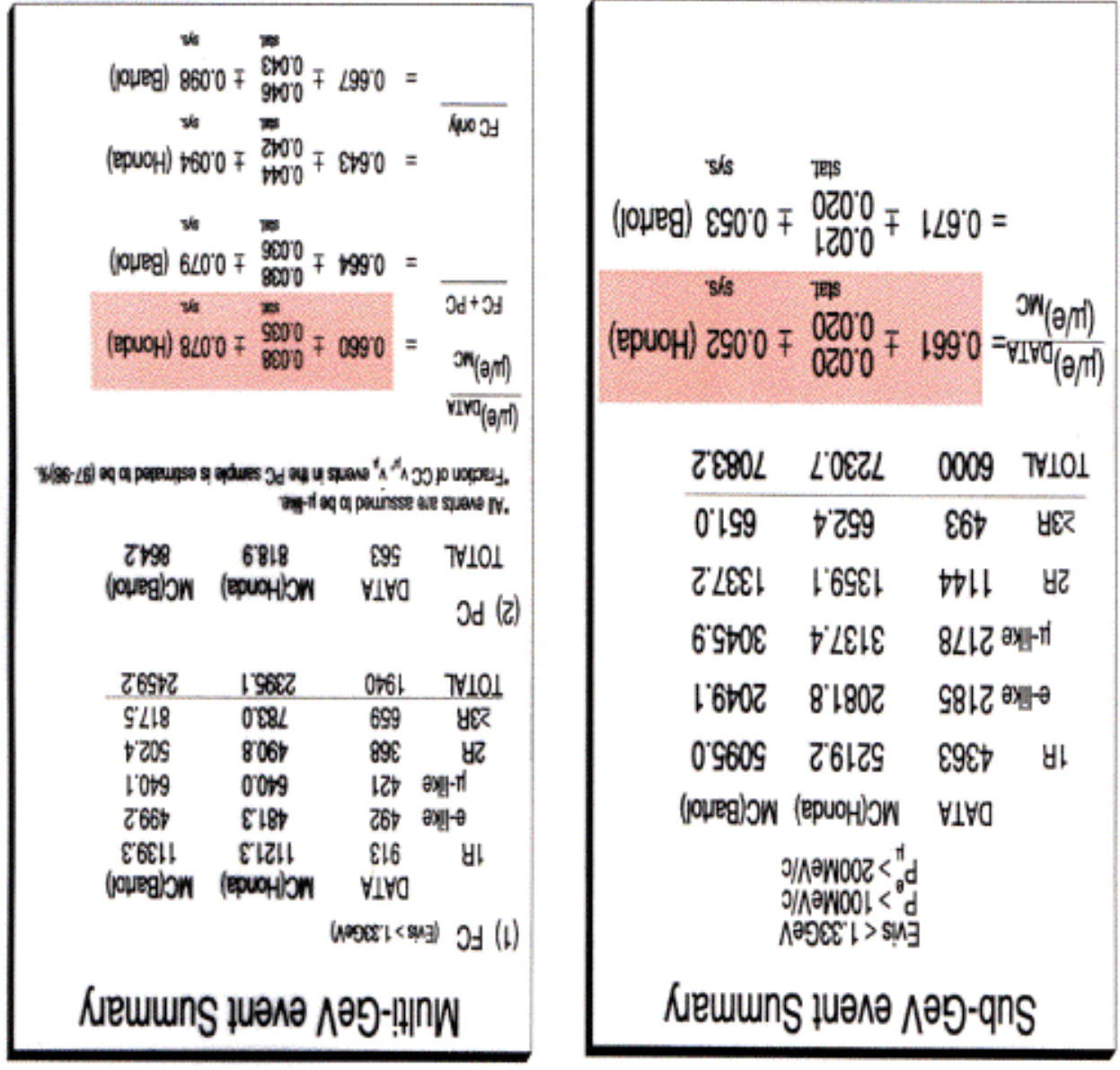


- Showering ring (e-like)
- Electron or photon (e.g. from  $\pi^0$ )

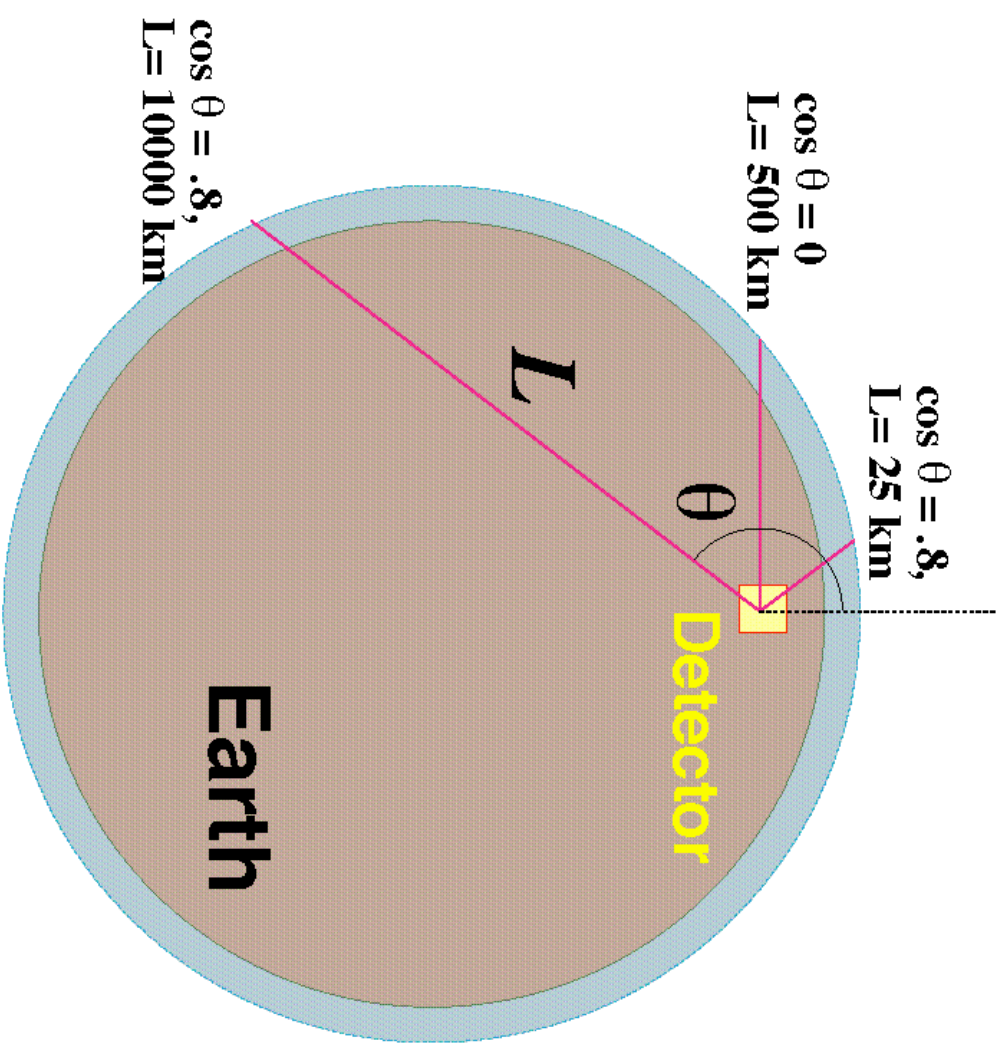
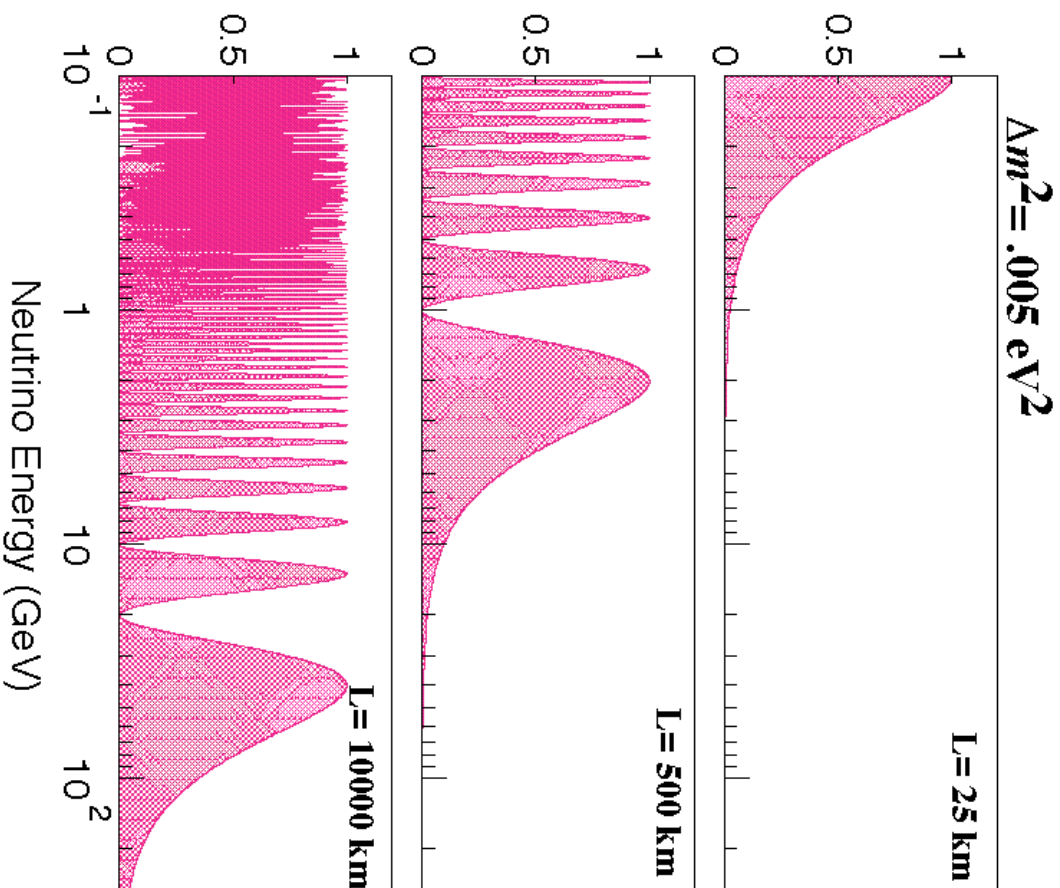
- Non-Showering ring ( $\mu$ -like)
- Sometimes decay electron



# Sub-GeV, Multi-GeV Event Summary

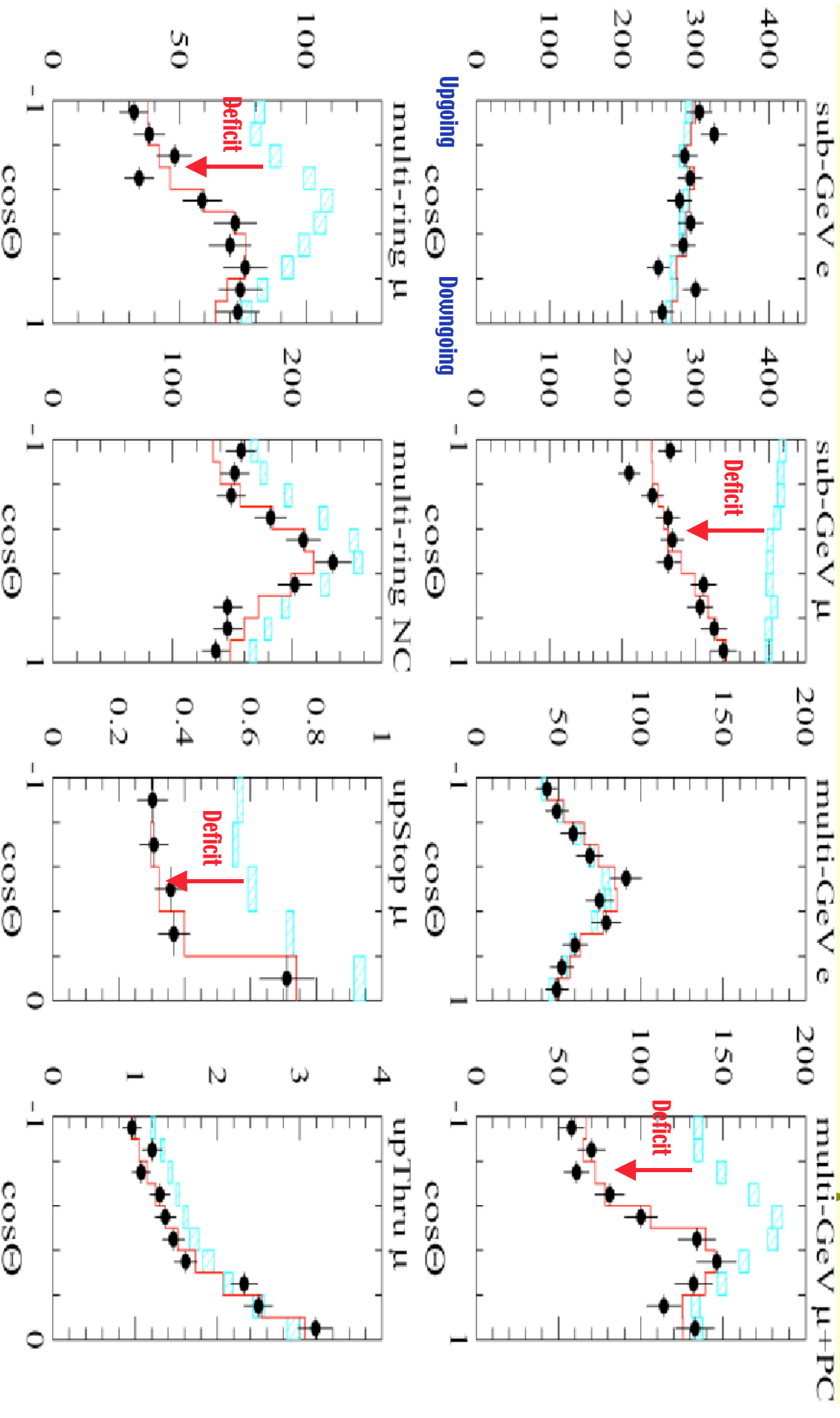


# Zenith angle distribution



$$P(\nu_\sigma \rightarrow \nu_\sigma) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( \frac{1.27 \Delta m^2 L}{E} \right)$$

# Data and Oscillation Best Fit ( $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$ )

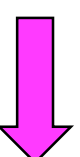
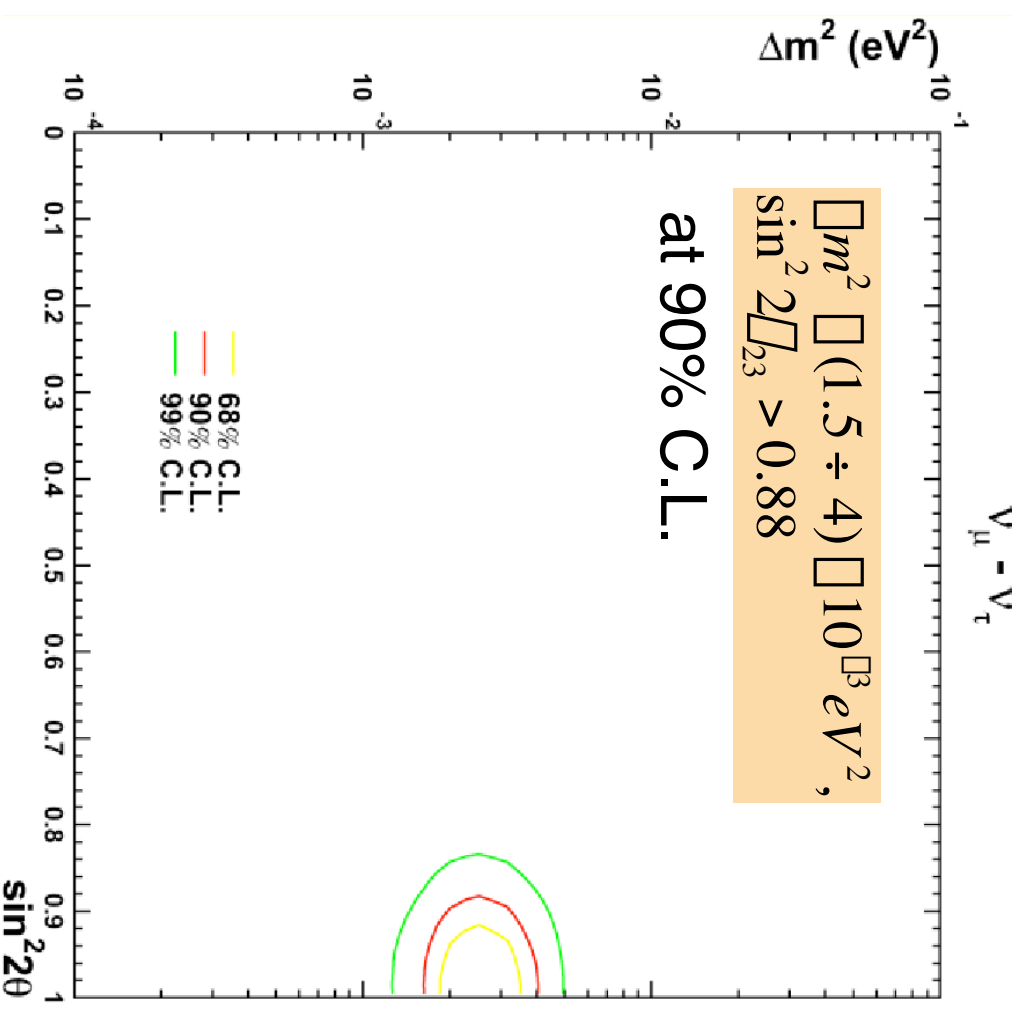


# Parameters and mode determination

- Fit of muon disappearance data and no apparent electron appearance
- Uses FC, PC, up mu and multi-ring events
- Very good  $\chi^2$  (175.0/190)
- Consistent with maximal mixing  $\theta_{23}=45^\circ$

Mode	Best fit	$\Delta\chi^2$	$\sigma$
$\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$	$\sin^2 2\theta = 1.00$ ; $\Delta m^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$	0.0	0.0
$\nu_\mu - \nu_e$	$\sin^2 2\theta = 0.97$ ; $\Delta m^2 = 5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$	79.3	8.9
$\nu_\mu - \nu_s$	$\sin^2 2\theta = 0.96$ ; $\Delta m^2 = 3.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$	19.0	4.4
LxE	$\sin^2 2\theta = 0.90$ ; $\alpha = 5.3 \times 10^{-4}$	67.1	8.2
$\nu_\mu$ Decay	$\cos^2 \theta = 0.47$ ; $\alpha = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$	81.1	9.0
$\nu_\mu$ Decay to $\nu_s$	$\cos^2 \theta = 0.33$ ; $\alpha = 1.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{eV}^2$	14.1	3.8

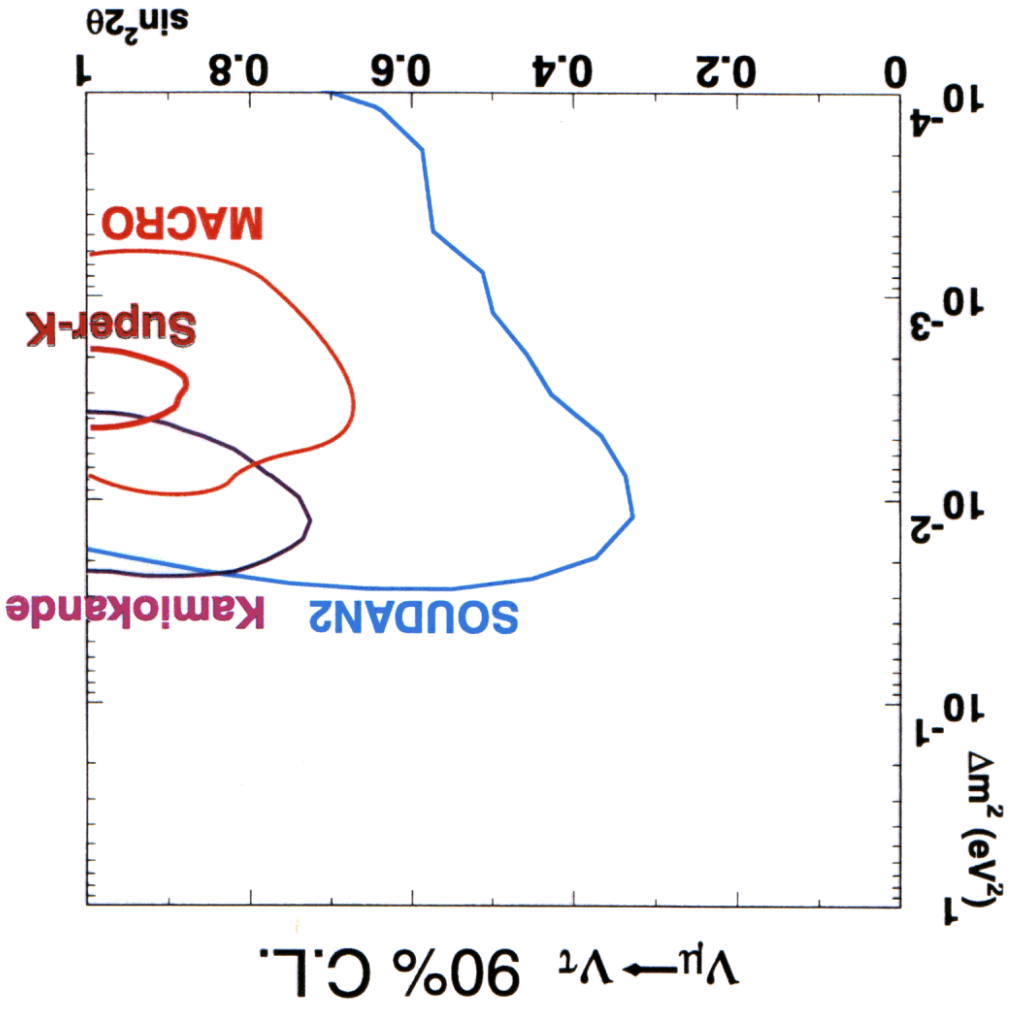
1290 days data taking



indirectly favored mode

# Comparison of allowed regions

Allowed regions



Not so consistent with KamioKande data (i), but OK with other lower statistics experiments Soudan2 & MACRO



# Oscillation into something non-interacting?

## Limit on Sterile Content

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = (\cos \theta \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} + \sin \theta \begin{pmatrix} \nu_s \end{pmatrix})$$

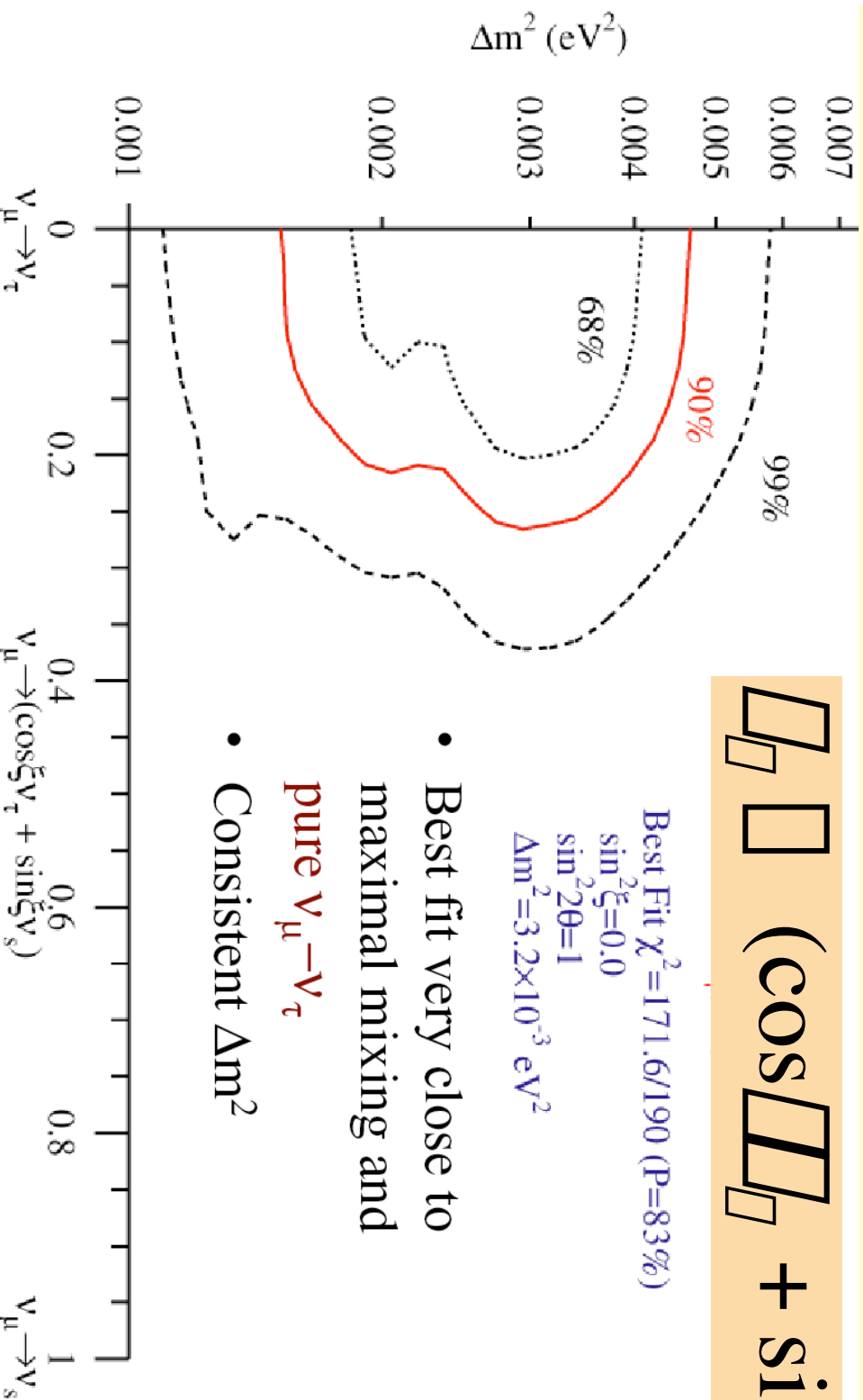
Best Fit  $\chi^2=171.6/190$  (P=83%)

$$\sin^2 \xi = 0.0$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta = 1$$

$$\Delta m^2 = 3.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

- Best fit very close to maximal mixing and pure  $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$
- Consistent  $\Delta m^2$



Michael Smy, UC Irvine

$\sin^2 \theta$  controlled by (1) size of matter effects (2) NC disappearance

# Accident on Nov. 12



Broken PMTs

Inner : ~60%

Outer: ~50%

Most possible cause

One PMT broken

and chain reaction occurred  
by shock waves.

<http://www-sk.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/doc/news/appeal.html>

# Appeal from Director

Dear colleague,

As a director of the Kamioka Observatory, which owns and is responsible to operate and maintain the Super-Kamiokande detector, it is really sad that **I have to announce the severe accident that occurred on November 12 and damaged the significant part of the detector**. We would like to express our deep regret to Japanese, US and Korean people who have generously supported the Super-Kamiokande experiment. The cause and how to deal with the loss in future will be discussed by newly founded committees. However, even before discussing with my colleagues of the Super-K and K2K collaborations, I have decided to express my intention on behalf of the staff of the Kamioka Observatory.

**We will rebuild the detector. There is no question.** The strategy may be the following two steps, which will be proposed and discussed among my colleagues.

## 1. Quick restart of the K2K experiment.

(1) We will clear the safety measures which may be suggested by the committees, (2) reduce the number density of the photomultiplier tubes by about a half, (3) use the existing resources, (4) resume the K2K experiment as soon as possible; the goal may be within one year.

## 2. Preparation for the JHF-Kamioka experiment.

(1) Restore the full Super-Kamiokande detector armed with the state-of-the-art techniques. (2) The detector will be ready by the time of the commissioning of the JHF machine.

Needless to say, we will be able to study atmospheric neutrinos and search for proton decay with the step-1 detector. We will be able to maintain our watch for supernova with a somewhat higher-energy threshold.

To achieve our objective is formidable but we are determined to do so. We certainly need your encouragement, advice and help. I should appreciate it very much if you could support our effort as you have kindly done so before.

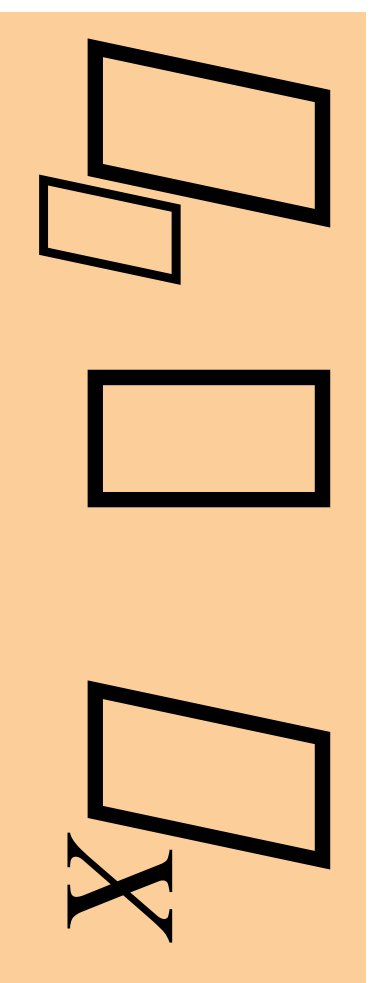
Best regards,

Yoji Totsuka

director, Kamioka Observatory

On behalf of the Kamioka Observatory staff

# 2) Confirming the atmospheric neutrinos effect

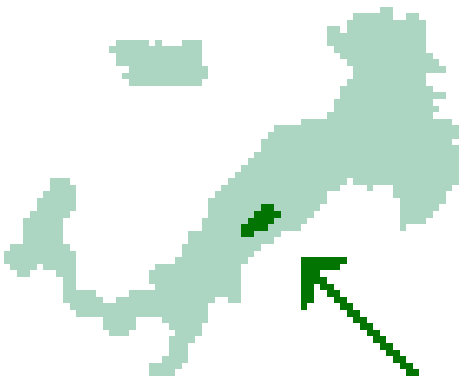
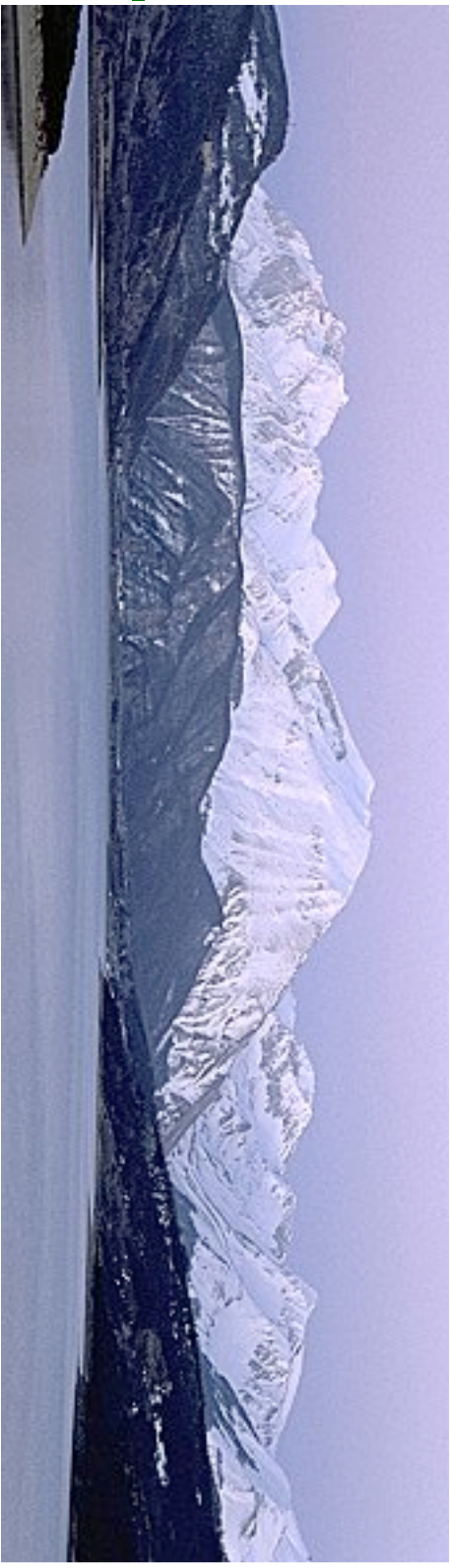


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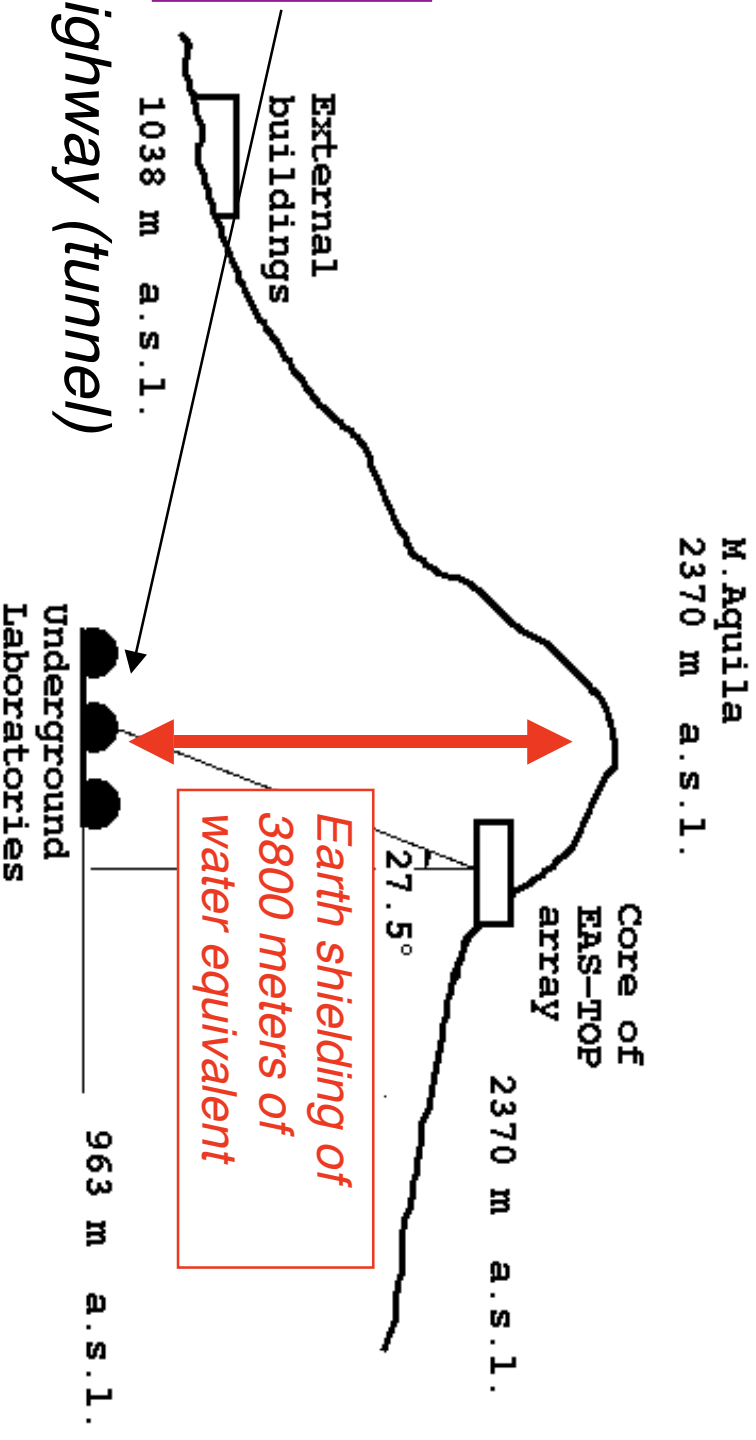
*an independent, second-generation technique,  
offering an improved detection of atmospheric events*

# Gran Sasso Underground Laboratory (LNGS)

<http://www.lngs.infn.it/>



Three experimental halls, each 100m long, 18m height, 18m wide

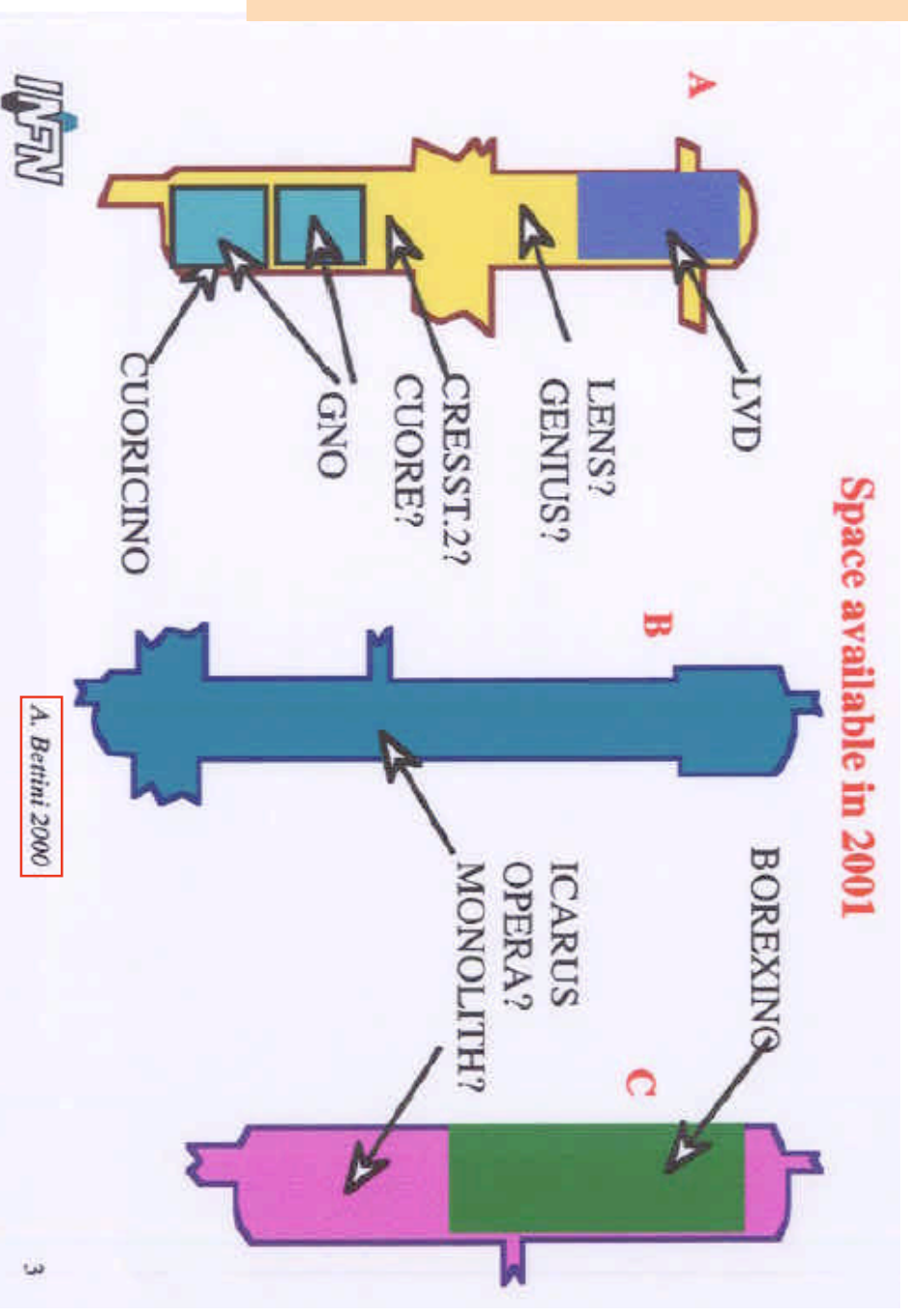


• Access through highway (tunnel)

# LNGS physics program

1. Solar neutrinos
2. Atmospheric neutrinos
3. Neutrinos from star collapses (Supernova)
4. Majorana Mass
5. Dark Matter search
6. Nuclear cross section measurements

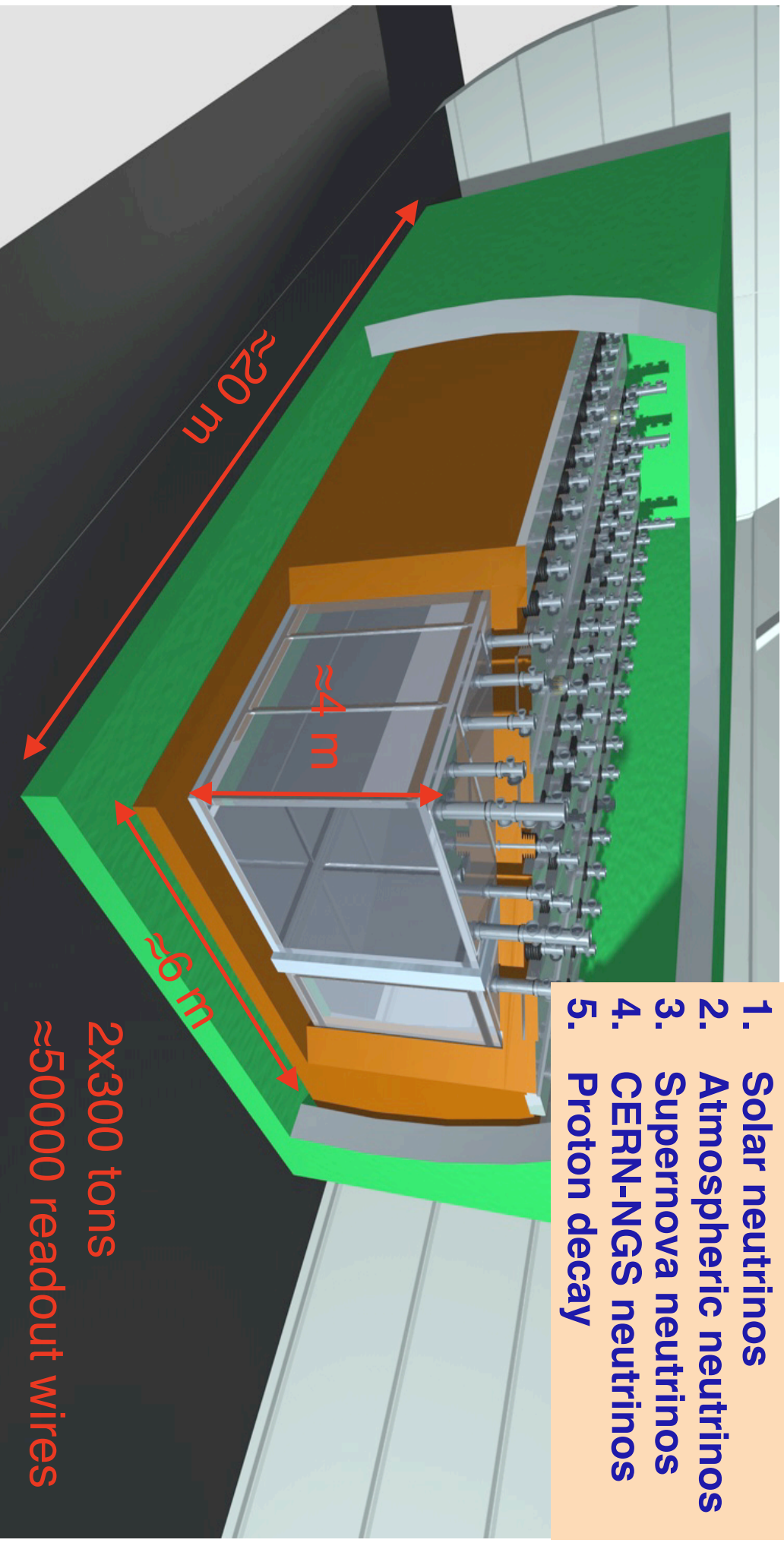
- 1400 m rock overburden
- Cosmic ray flux attenuation  $\approx 10^{-6}$



# ICARUS detector

Novel liquid Argon imaging TPC technique: Initial mass 0.6 kton

1. Solar neutrinos
2. Atmospheric neutrinos
3. Supernova neutrinos
4. CERN-NGS neutrinos
5. Proton decay



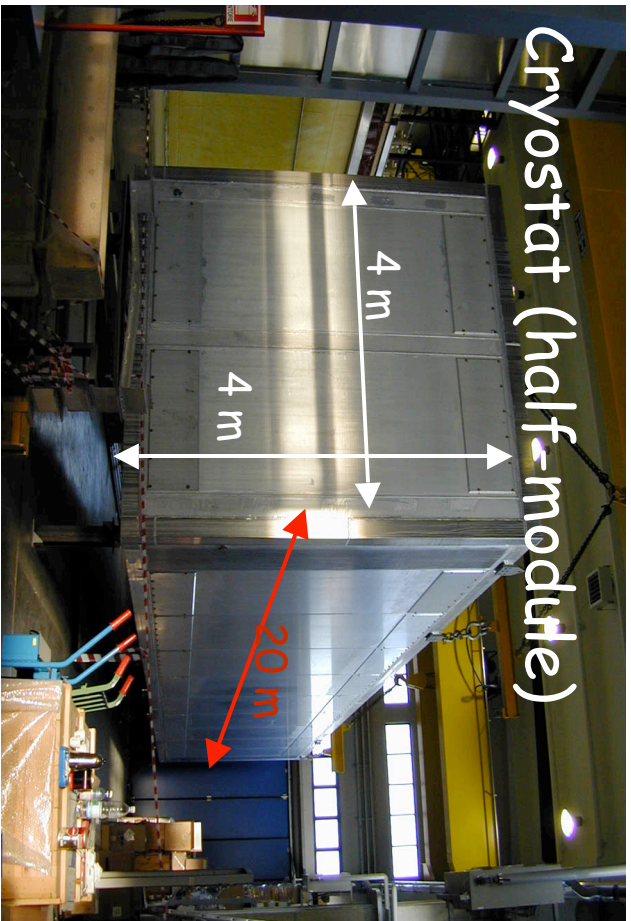
Planned start data taking in 2003

# ICARUS T300 cryostat

≈300'000 kg LAr  
= T300







Cryostat (half-module)



Readout electronics



ICARUS T300 prototype

View of the inner detector

Wires of the TPC

Drift Length (1.5 m)

UV PMT

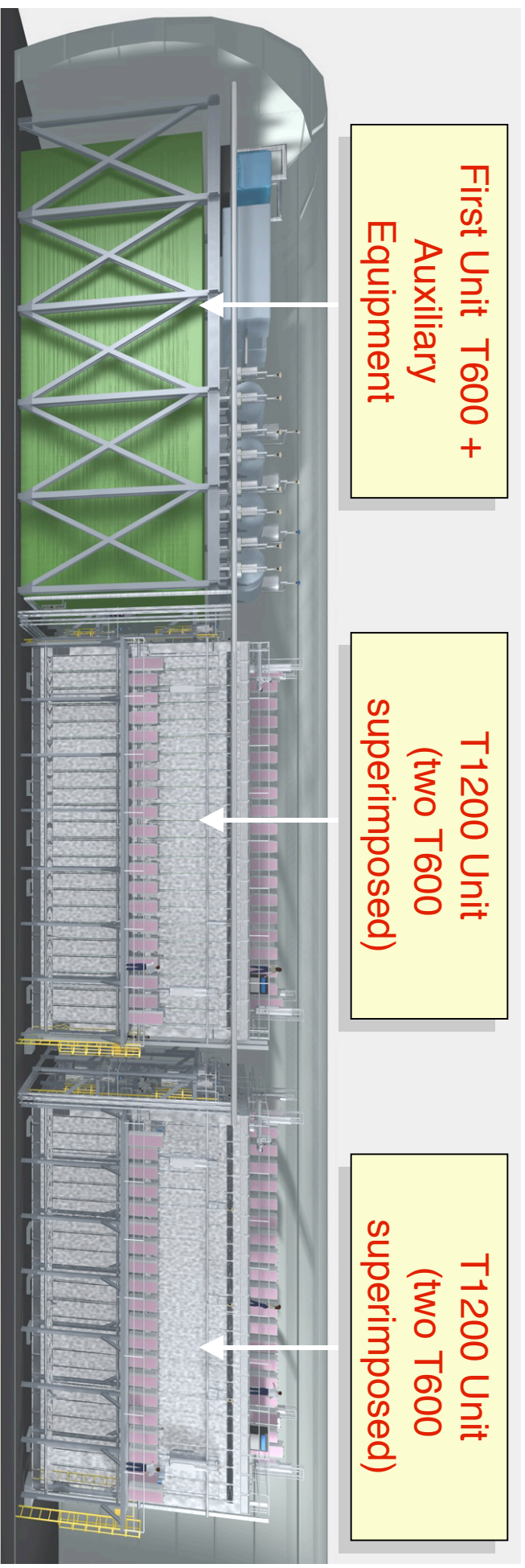
Cathode

Wire Chamber Structure

Field Shaping Electrodes (during installation)

# ICARUS T3000 (proposed)

## T3000 Detector in Hall B of LNGS (cloning of T600)



*Improved statistics for:*

**≈ 70 Metres**

*Future extension  
to additional modules*

1. Solar neutrinos
2. Atmospheric neutrinos
3. Supernova neutrinos
4. CERN-NGS neutrinos
5. Proton decay

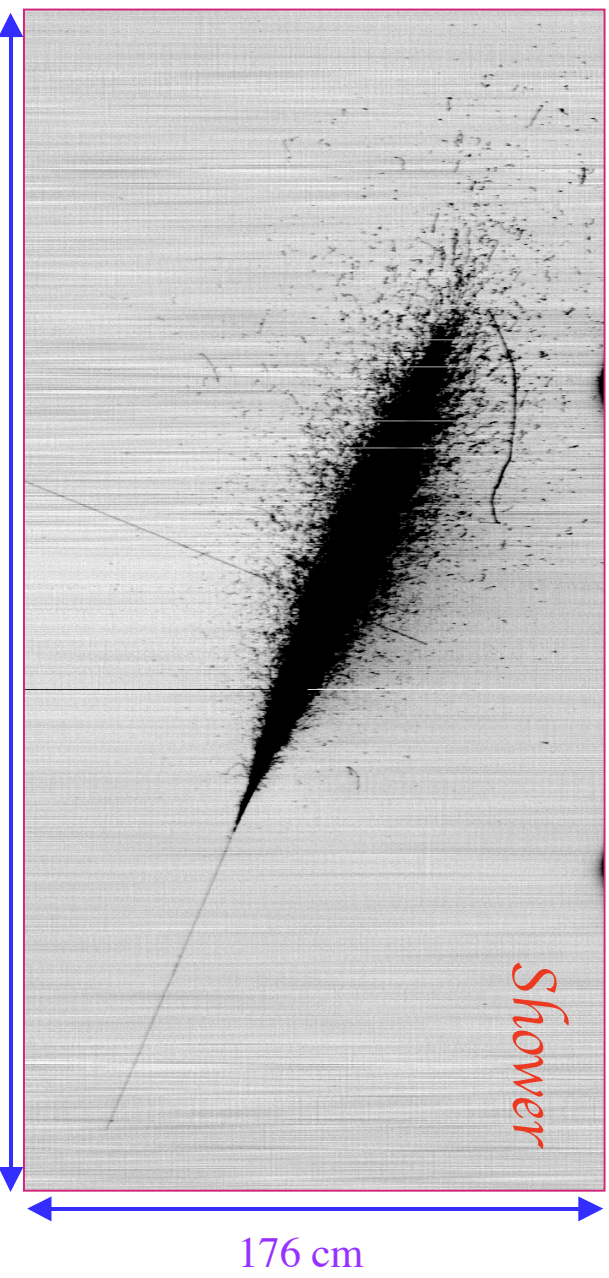
T600: installed in LNGS early 2003  
T3000: operational by summer 2006



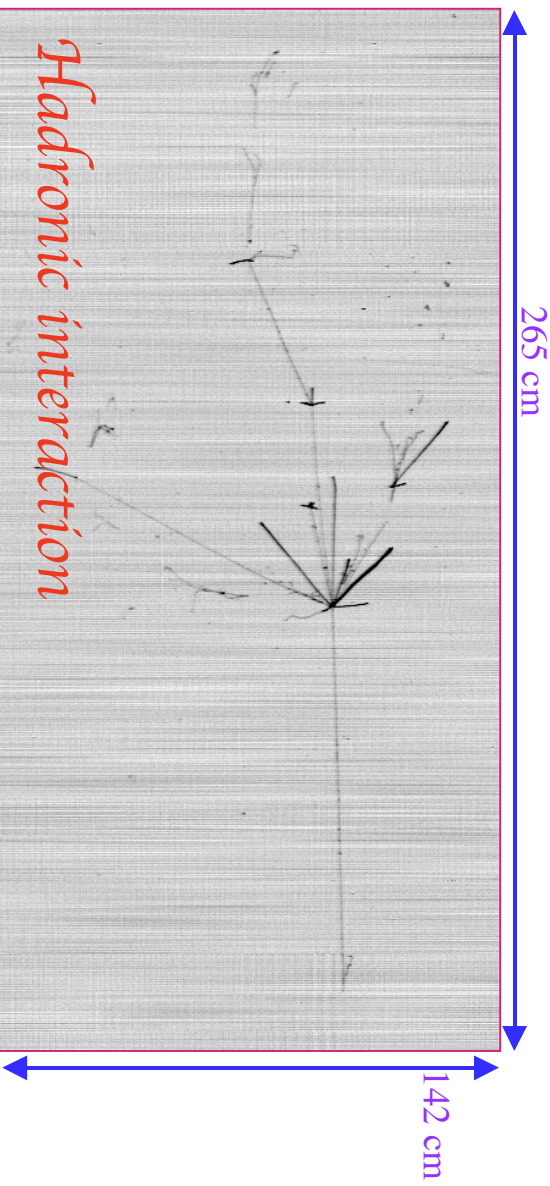
# Electronic bubble chamber (I)



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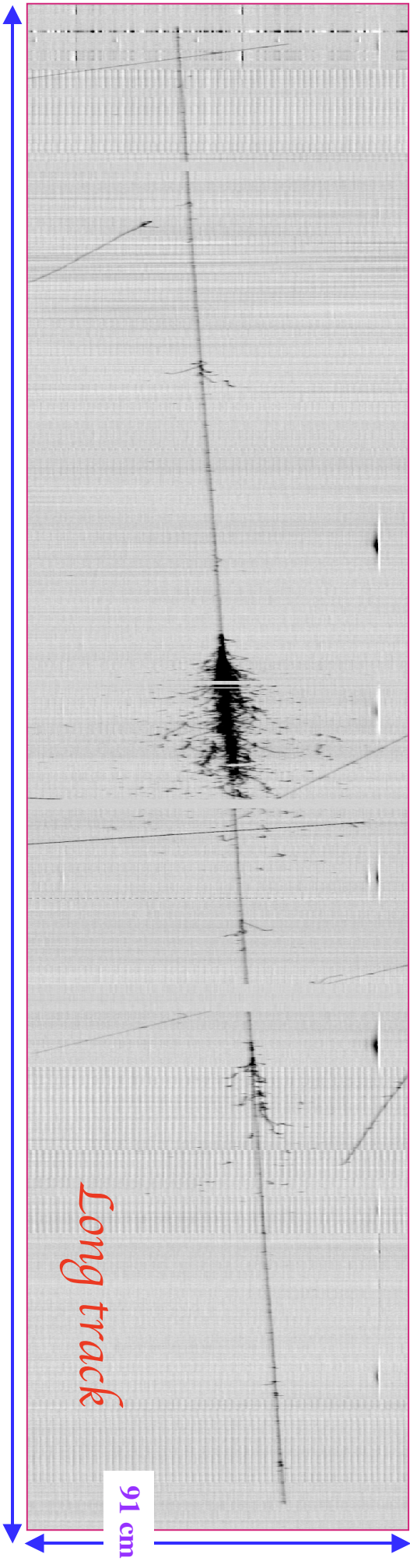
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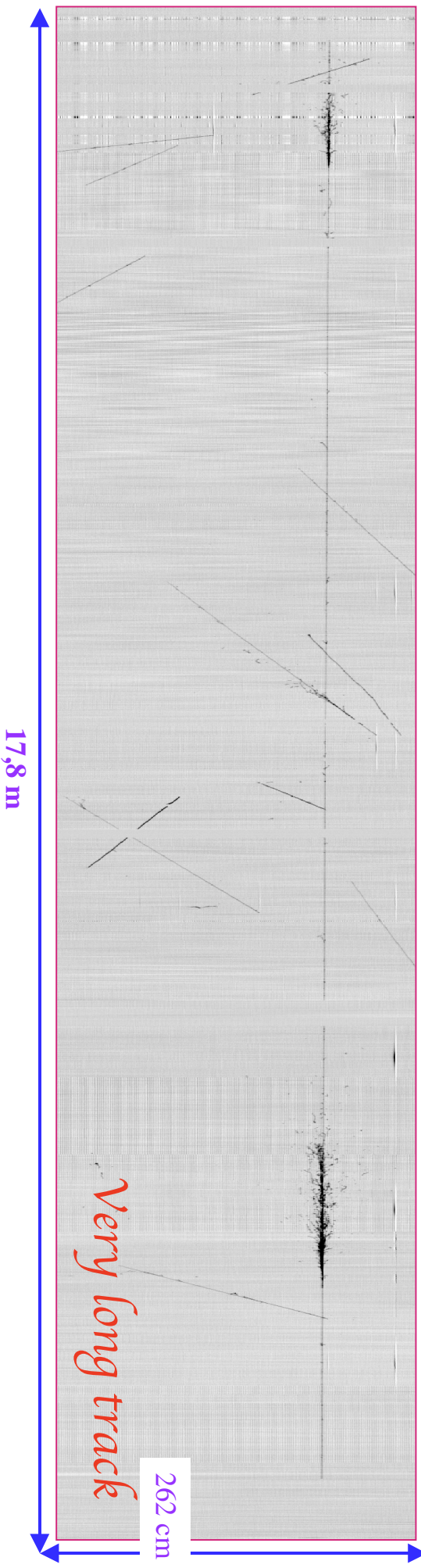


# Electronic bubble chamber (II)

Event 93 Collection Left



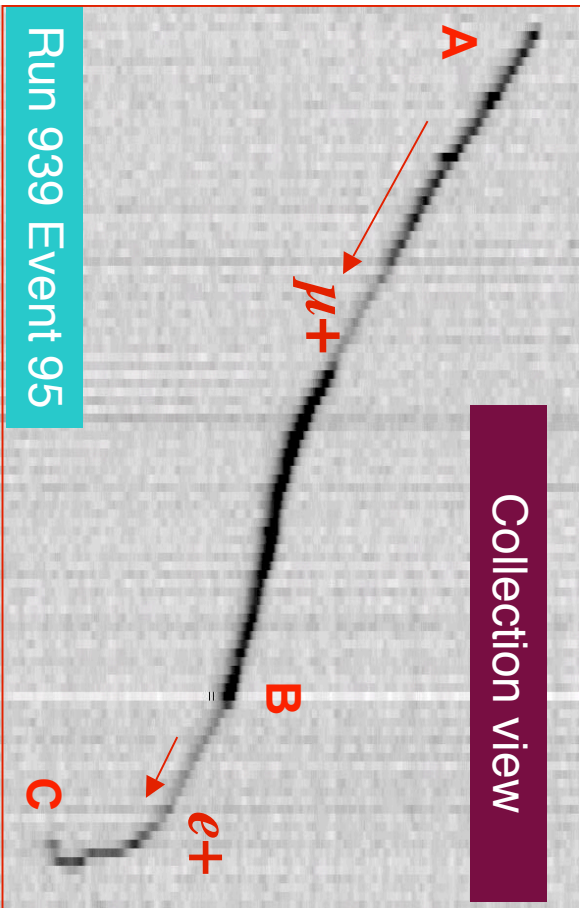
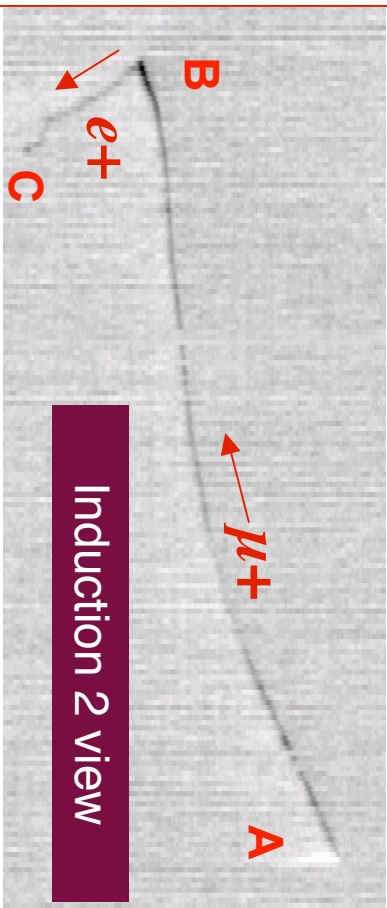
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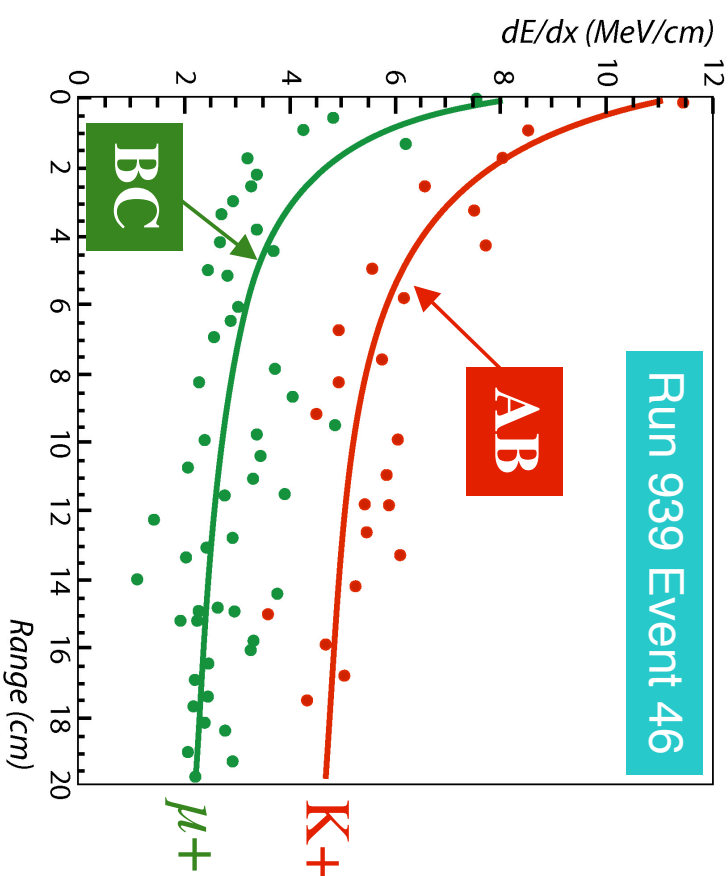
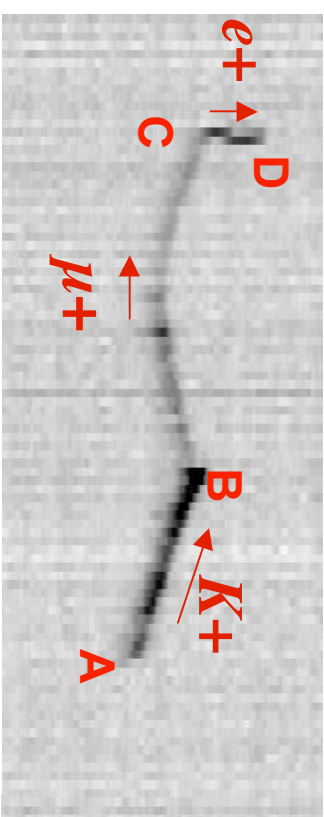


# Particle identification

$\square [AB] \square e^+ [BC]$



$K^+ [AB] \square \square [BC] \square e^+ [CD]$

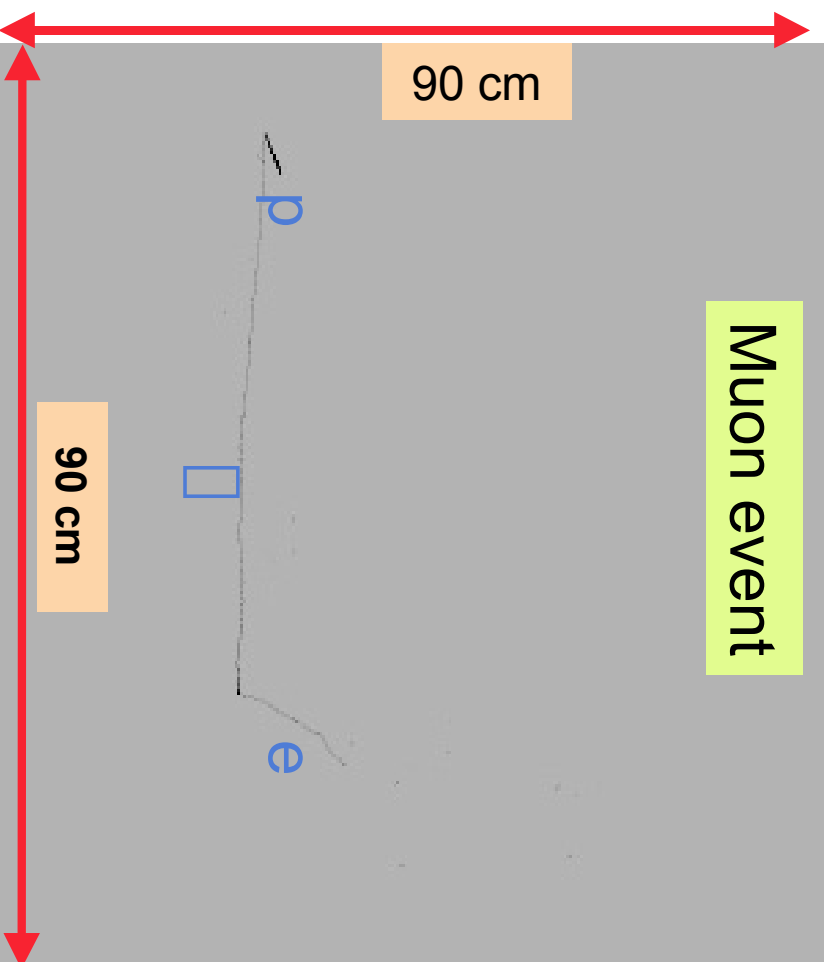


# Atmospheric neutrinos in ICARUS

- The atmospheric neutrino analysis will be characterized by
  - ↳ Unbiased, systematic-free observation of atmospheric events
  - ↳ Precise prediction of neutrino flux (MC developed within the Collab.)

	Solar minimum		Solar maximum	
	No osc. $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	No osc. $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	No osc. $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	No osc. $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
2 kton×year				
<b>Muon-like</b>	<b>266 ± 16</b>	<b>182 ± 13</b>	249 ± 16	171 ± 13
$\mu + p$	59 ± 8	39 ± 6	71 ± 8	35 ± 6
$P_{\text{lepton}} < 100 \text{ MeV}$	114 ± 11	69 ± 8	98 ± 10	63 ± 8
$\mu + p$	32 ± 2	20 ± 4	28 ± 5	18 ± 4
<b>Electron-like</b>	<b>150 ± 12</b>	<b>150 ± 12</b>	138 ± 12	138 ± 12
$e + p$	35 ± 6	35 ± 6	40 ± 6	40 ± 6
$P_{\text{lepton}} < 400 \text{ MeV}$	74 ± 9	74 ± 9	66 ± 8	66 ± 8
$e + p$	20 ± 4	20 ± 4	18 ± 4	18 ± 4
<b>NC-like</b>	192 ± 14	192 ± 14	175 ± 13	175 ± 13
<b>TOTAL</b>	608 ± 25	524 ± 23	562 ± 24	484 ± 22

# Simulated atmospheric events in ICARUS

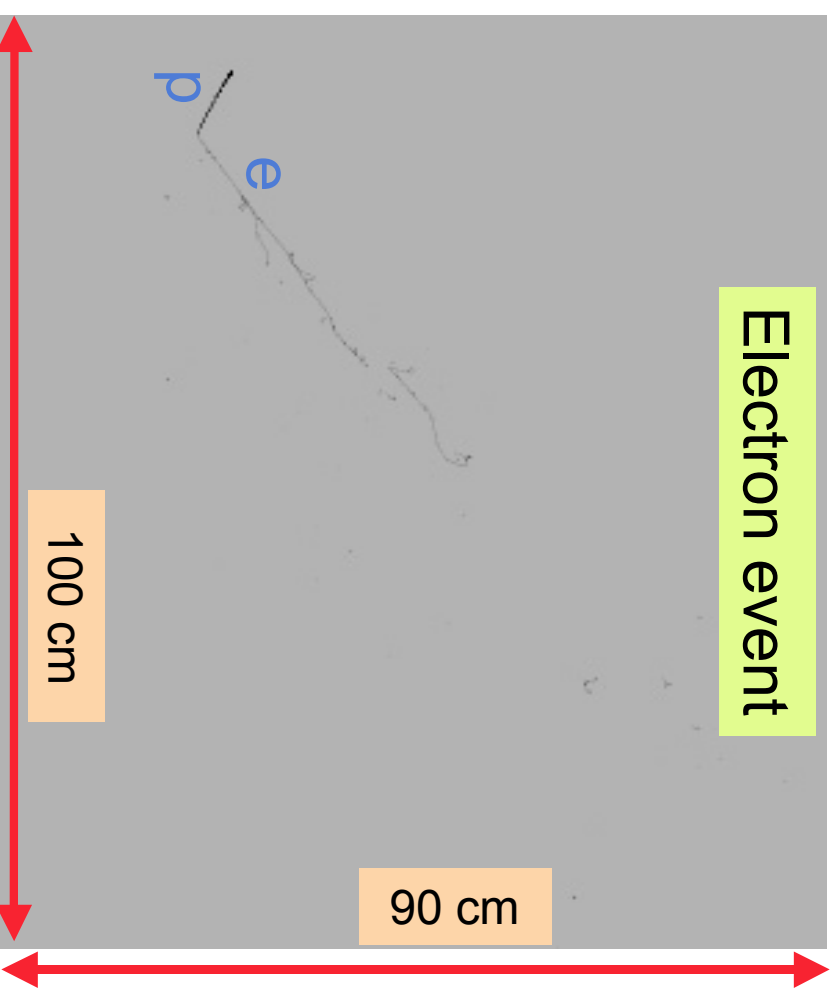


$\square$  quasi-elastic interaction

$$E_{\square} = 370 \text{ MeV}$$

$$P_{\square} = 250 \text{ MeV}$$

$$T_p = 90 \text{ MeV}$$



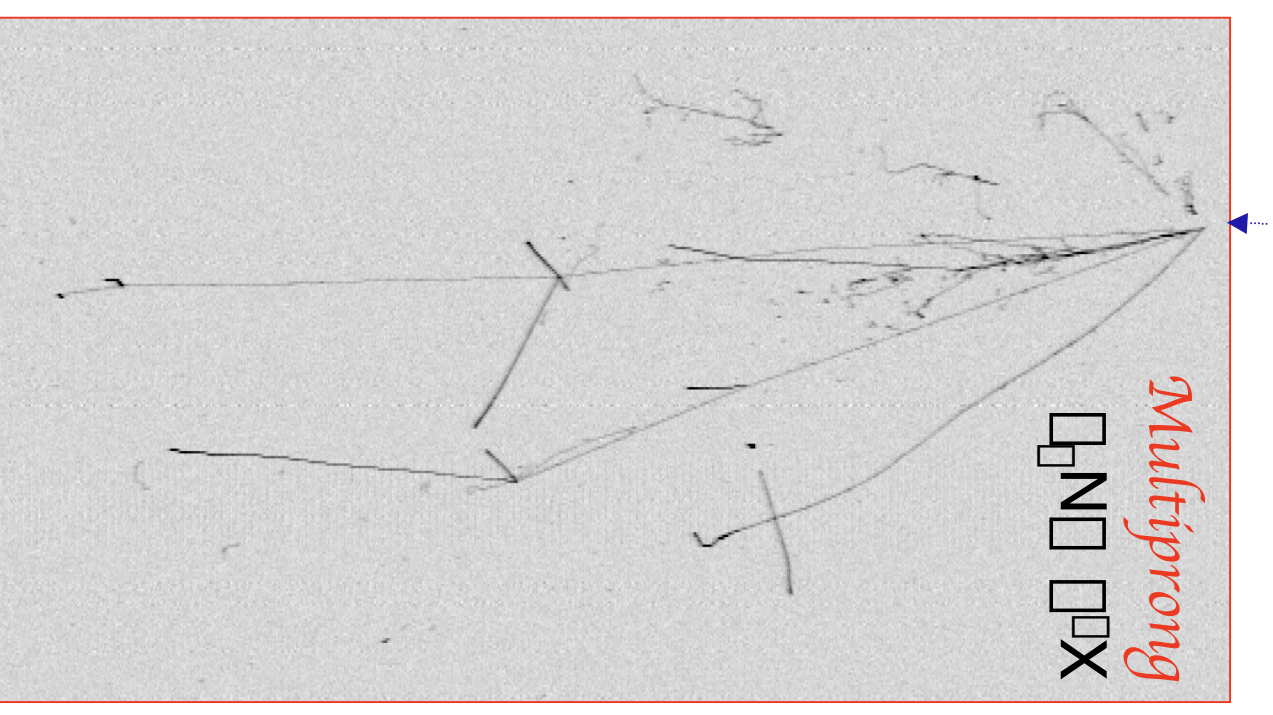
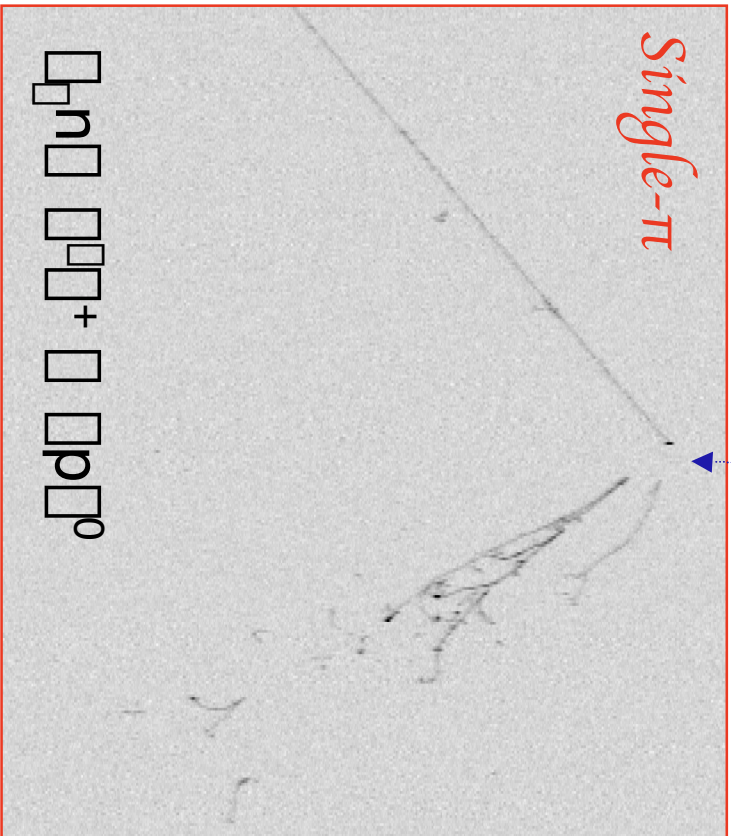
$\square_e$  quasi-elastic interaction

$$E_{\square} = 450 \text{ MeV}$$

$$P_e = 200 \text{ MeV}$$

$$T_p = 240 \text{ MeV}$$

# Simulated atmospheric events in ICARUS





# Rates for upward/downward events

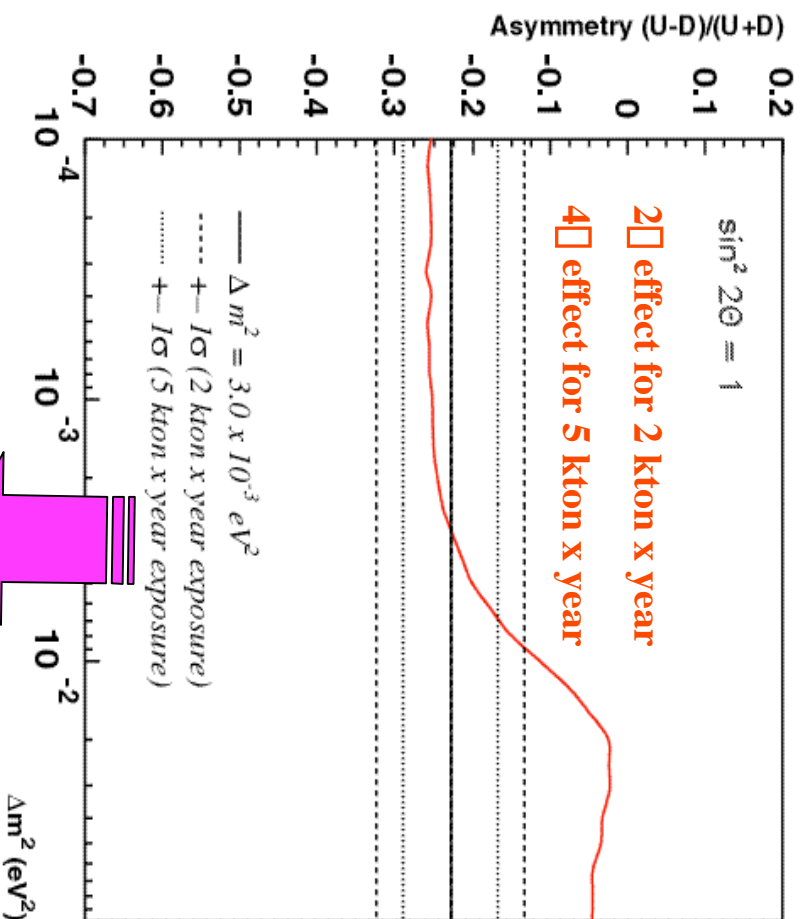
For a 2 kton x year exposure,

**significant deficit of upward-going muon-like events**

	$2 \text{ kton} \times \text{year}$					
	$\Delta m_{23}^2 \text{ (eV}^2\text{)}$					
	No osci	$5 \times 10^{-4}$	$1 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$5 \times 10^{-3}$	
<b>Muon-like</b>						
Downward	270 ± 16	206 ± 14	198 ± 14	188 ± 14	182 ± 13	
Upward	102 ± 10	102 ± 10	102 ± 10	98 ± 10	95 ± 10	
<b>Electron-like</b>						
Downward	152 ± 12	152 ± 12	152 ± 12	152 ± 12	152 ± 12	
Upward	94 ± 10	46 ± 7	46 ± 7	47 ± 7	49 ± 7	
<b>Electron-like</b>						
Downward	56 ± 7	56 ± 7	56 ± 7	56 ± 7	56 ± 7	
Upward	48 ± 7	48 ± 7	48 ± 7	48 ± 7	48 ± 7	

# Atmospheric up-down asymmetry

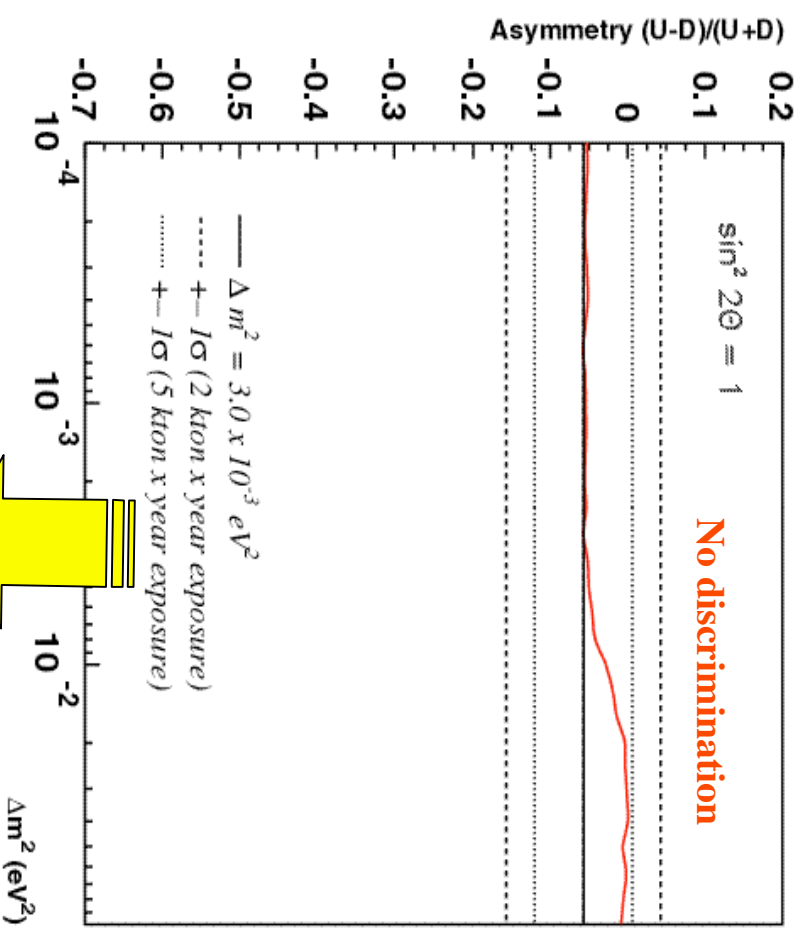
All particles



$$\frac{U \square D}{U + D} = \square 0.228 \pm 0.100 \text{ (2 kton x year)}$$

$$\frac{U \square \square D}{U + D} = \square 0.228 \pm 0.060 \text{ (5 kton x year)}$$

Lepton only

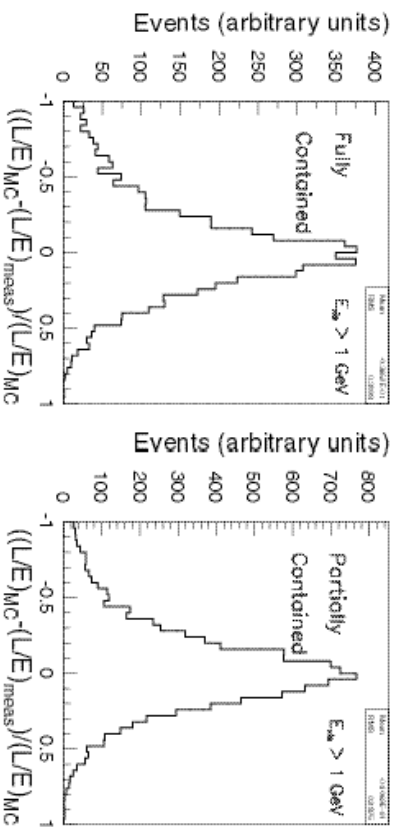


$$\frac{U \square \square D}{U + D} = \square 0.057 \pm 0.100 \text{ (2 kton x year)}$$

$$\frac{U \square \square \square D}{U + D} = \square 0.057 \pm 0.060 \text{ (5 kton x year)}$$

# Reconstructed L/E distribution

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}) = \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left[ \frac{2.7 \Delta m^2_{23}}{E} L \right]$$



$(L/E)_{RMS} \approx 30\%$

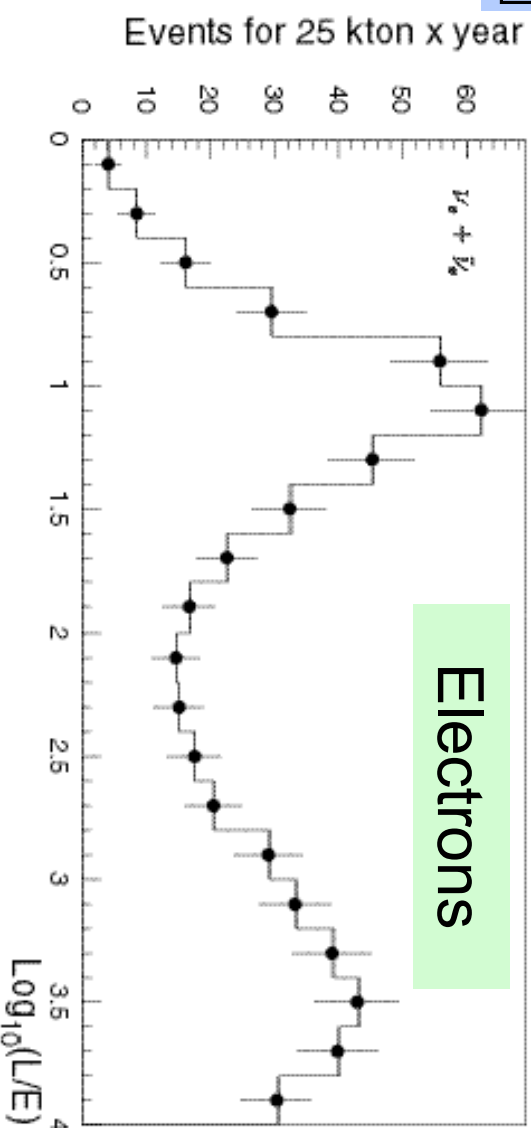
- Oscillation parameters:

$\Delta m^2_{32} = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

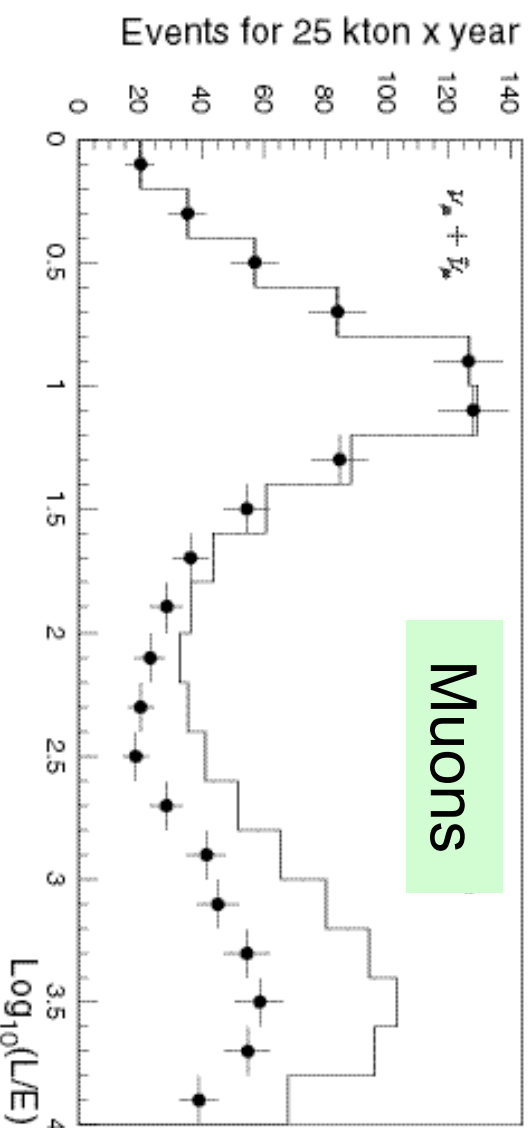
$\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 0.9$

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$

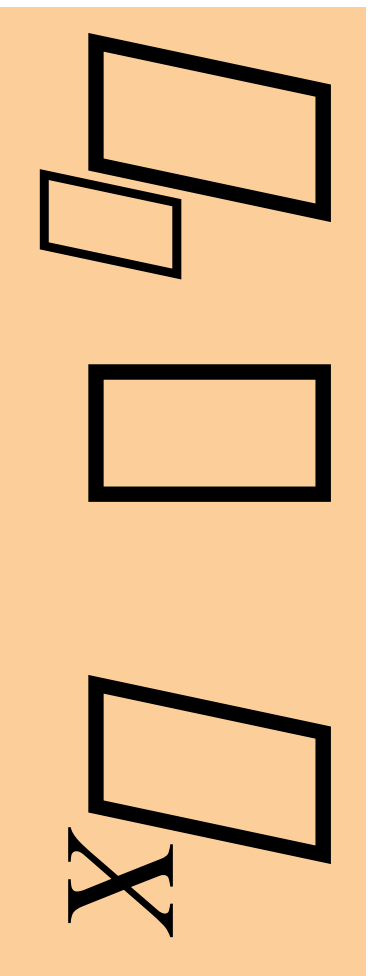
- Electron sample can be used as a reference for no oscillation case



25 kt year



# 2) Independent test of muon neutrino disappearance



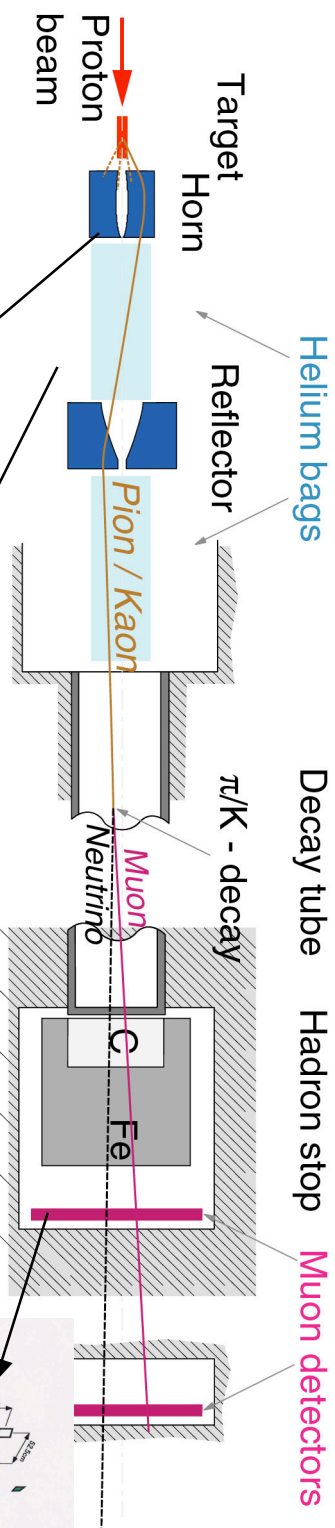
with

$$\Delta m^2 \approx (1.3 \times 10^3 \text{ eV}^2) \sin^2 2\theta \approx 1$$

# Accelerator neutrinos

$p + C \rightarrow \dots$  (interactions)  $\rightarrow \pi^+, K^+, (\dots^+) \rightarrow \dots$  (decay in flight)  $\rightarrow \pi^+ + \dots$

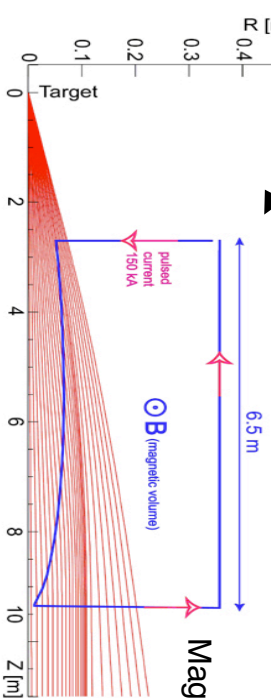
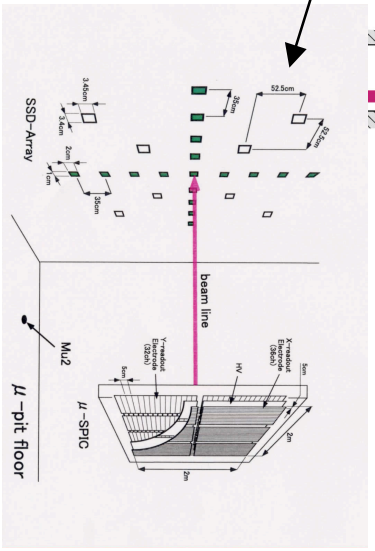
$\rightarrow$  + few % of  $(\dots, \dots_e)$



Proton accelerator



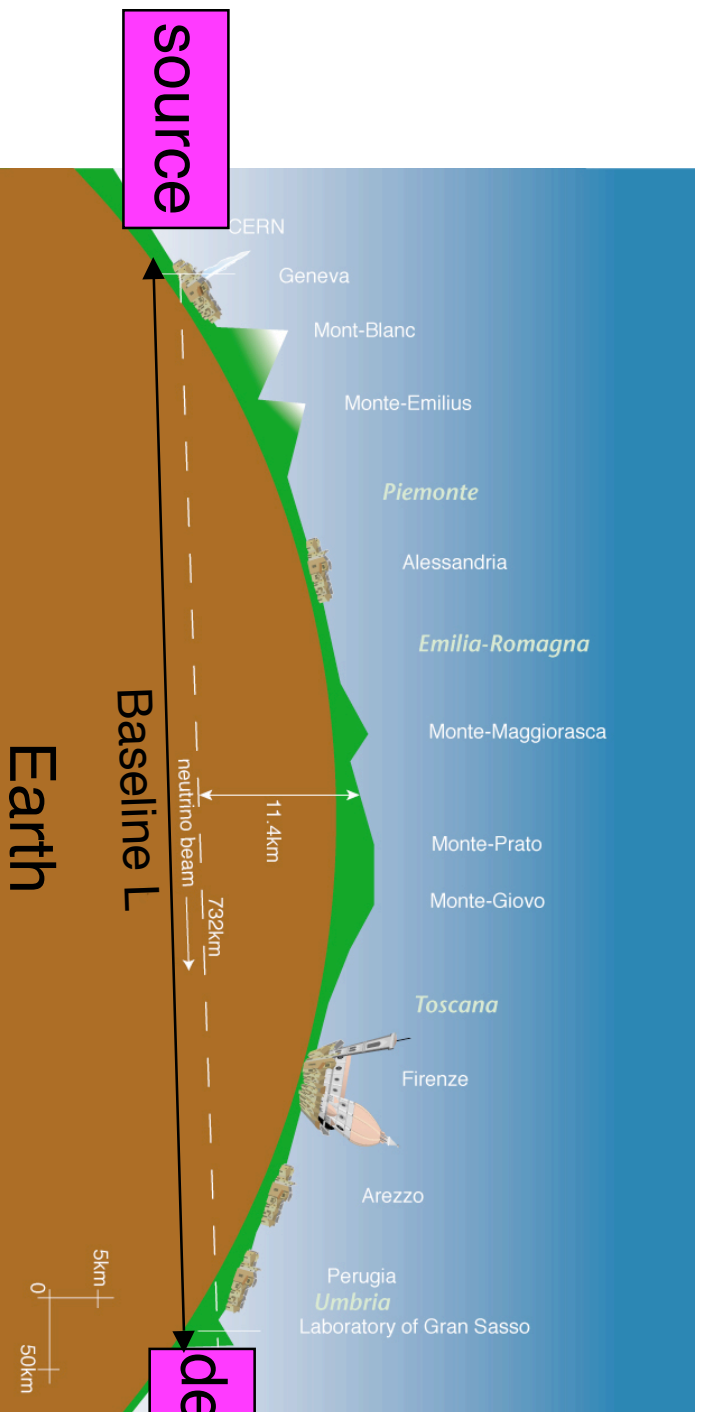
Boone Horn



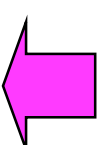
Magnetic focusing

# Motivation

- Long-baseline neutrino experiment with accelerators aim to establish the neutrino oscillation in
  - ↳ A well defined neutrino flight path length ( $L$ )
  - ↳ A well understood flux of pure ( $\mu$ ) beam
  - ↳ An priori “tunable” neutrino energy spectrum ( $E_\nu$ )



$$\Phi_{\mu} \approx 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

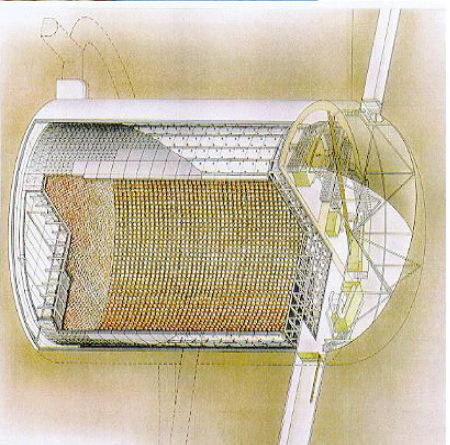


$$L/E \approx 500 \text{ km/GeV}$$

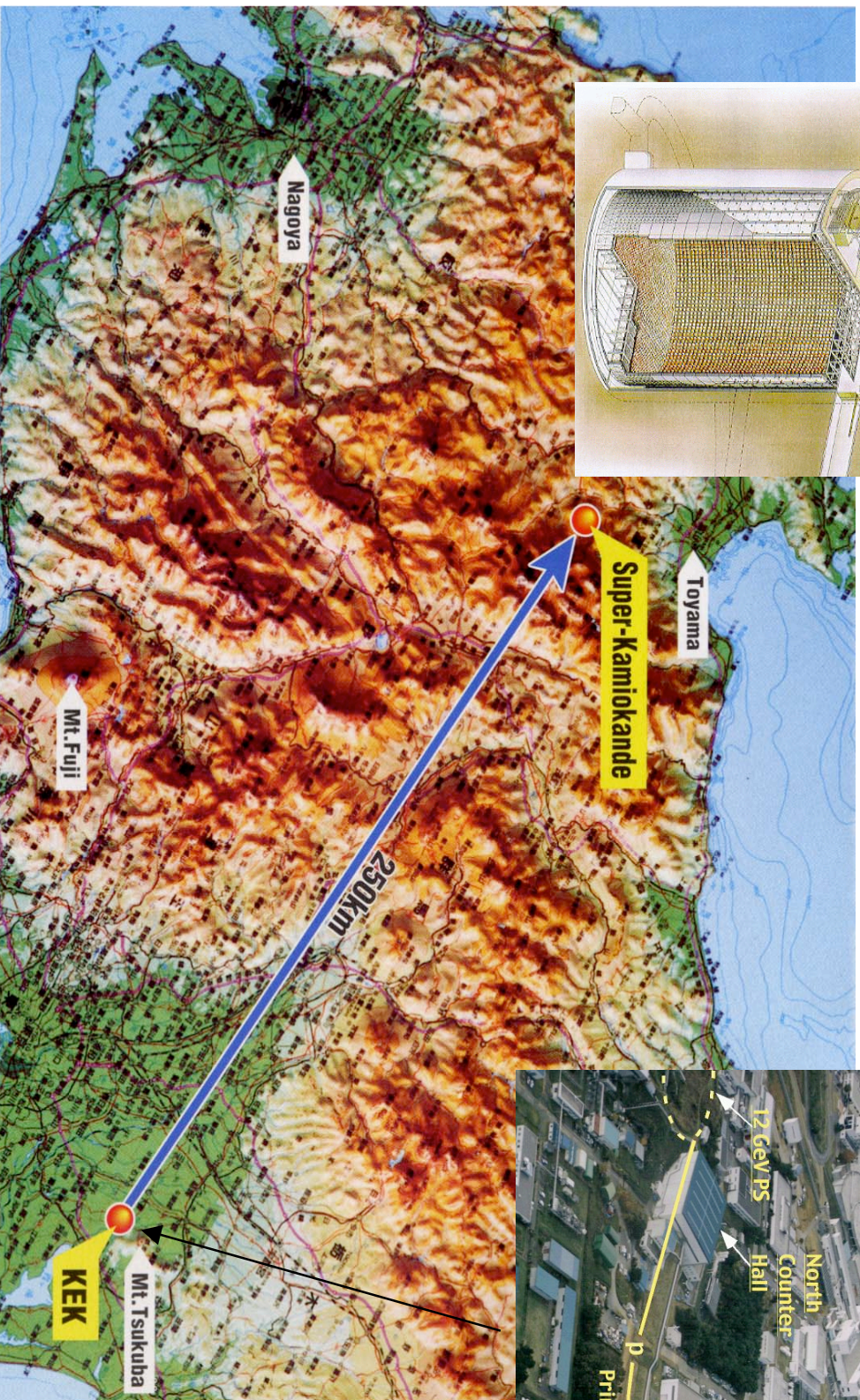
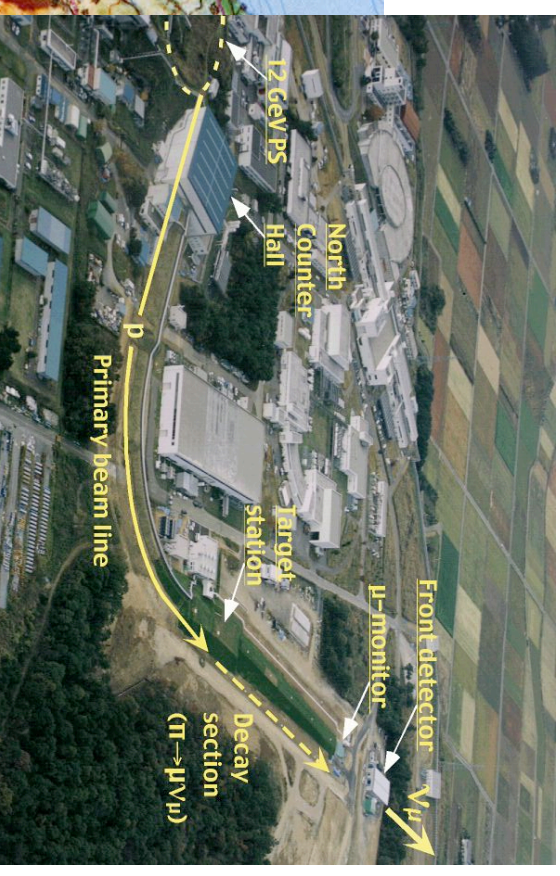
to maximize  
oscillation probability !

# K2K Experiment

The First Long Baseline (250km)  
Neutrino Oscillation Experiment

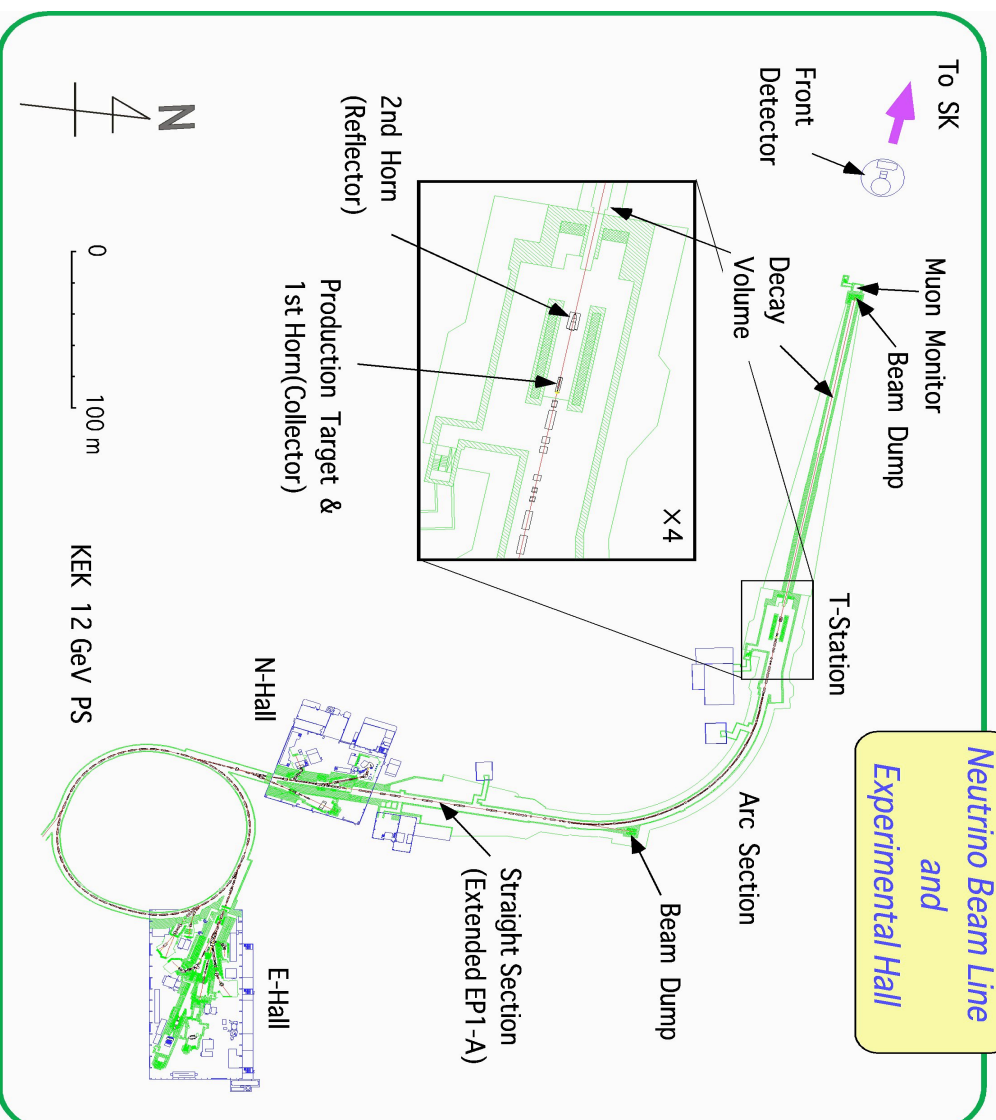


Far Detector: SK  
50kt Water C Detector



# K2K (KEK-to-Kamioka)

- Accelerator: 12 GeV proton synchrotron
  - ↳ Intensity  $6 \times 10^{12}$  protons/pulse
  - ↳ Repetition rate: 1 pulse/ 2.2 sec
  - ↳ Pulse width: 1.1  $\mu$ s
- Horn-focused wide-band beam
  - ↳ Average neutrino energy: 1.4 GeV □ below □ threshold
- Near detector: 300 m from target
- Far detector: SuperK @ 250km from the target
  - ↳  $L/E \approx 180$  km/GeV
- Goal:  $10^{20}$  protons on target





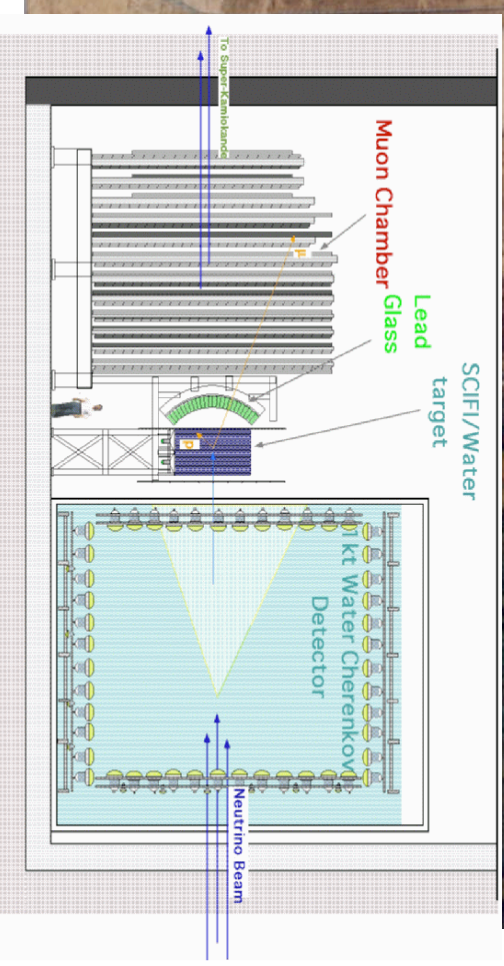
# Near detectors:

Beam steering and beam prediction at far detector !

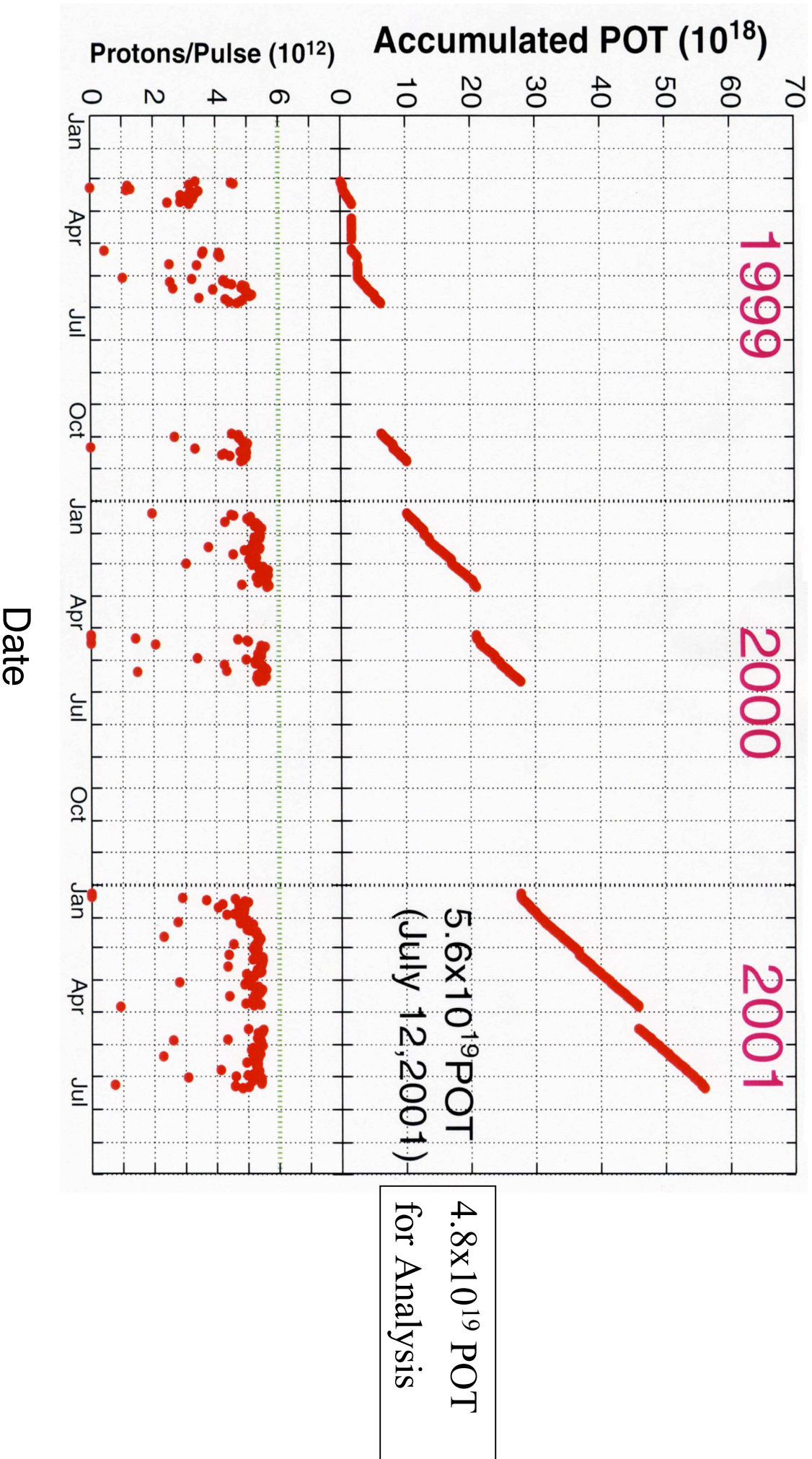
neutrinos



1ktWCD: Same Type Detector as SK  
MRD and SciFi: Fine Grained Precise Detector  
MRD: Massive and Large Solid Angle Detector

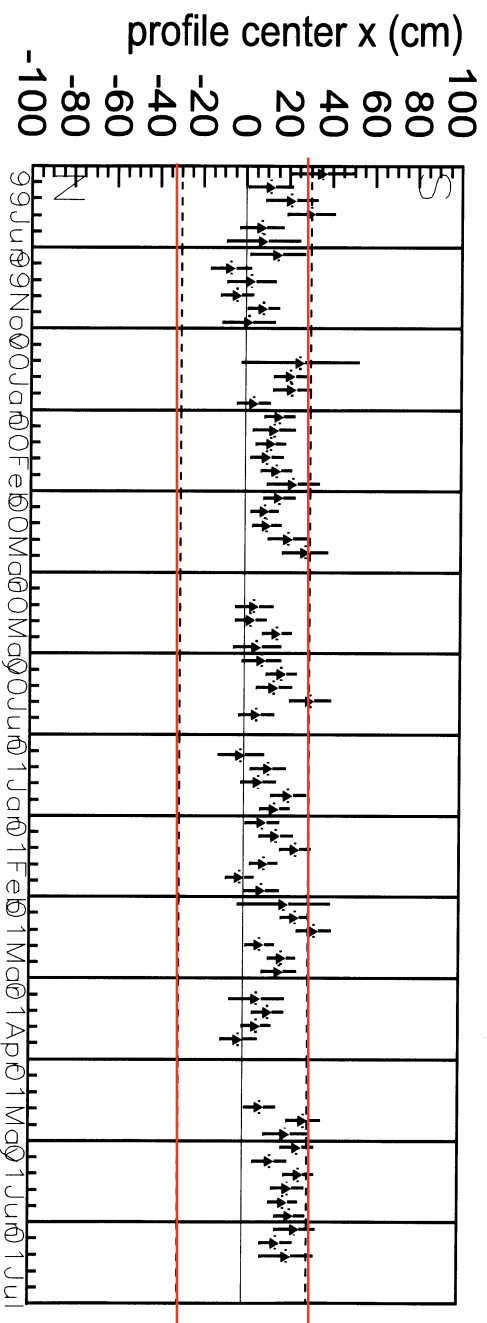


# Delivered Protons on Target (POT)



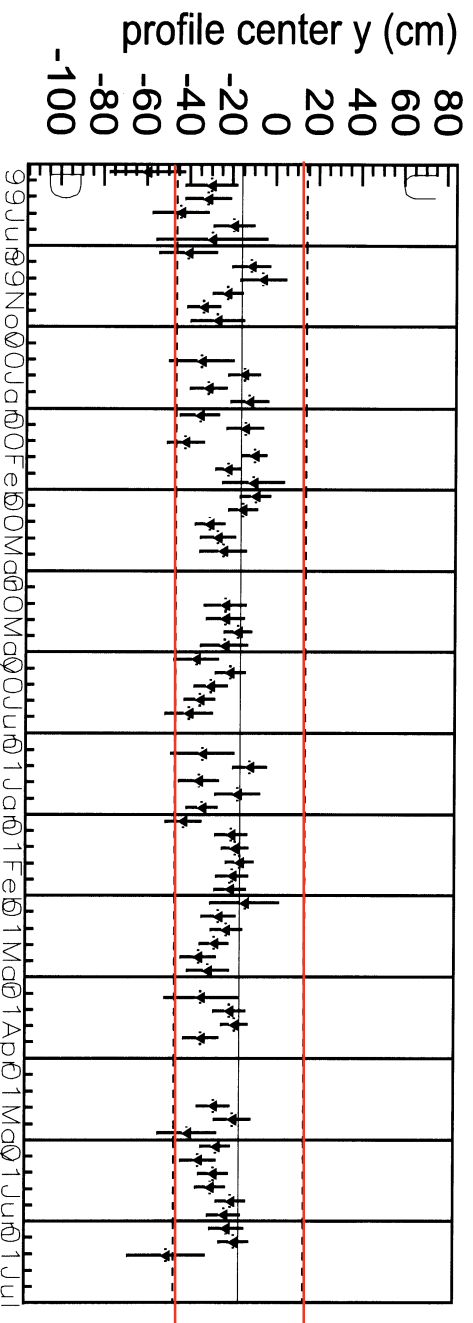
Goal:  $10^{20}$  POT (for Analysis)

# Neutrino Profile: Centroid Stability (Muon Range Detector)



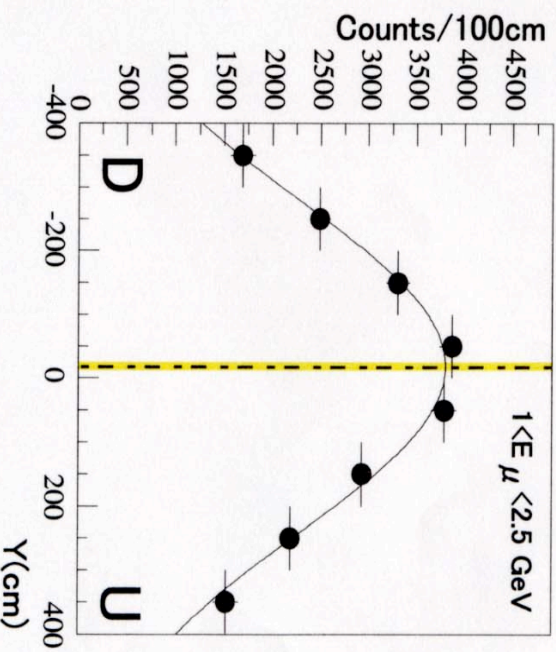
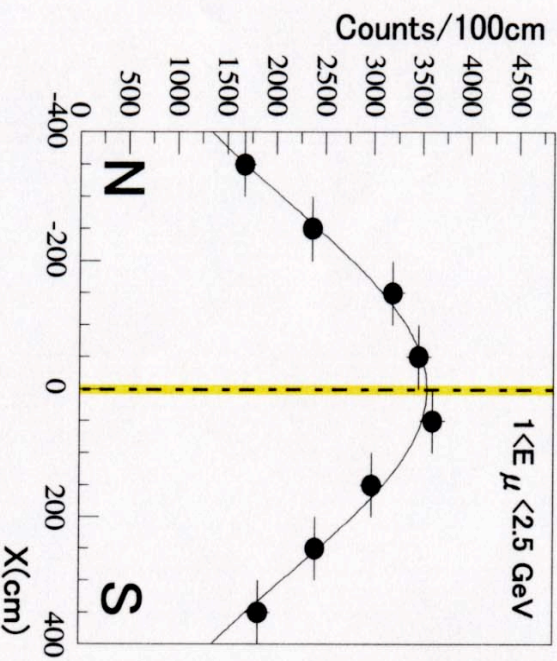
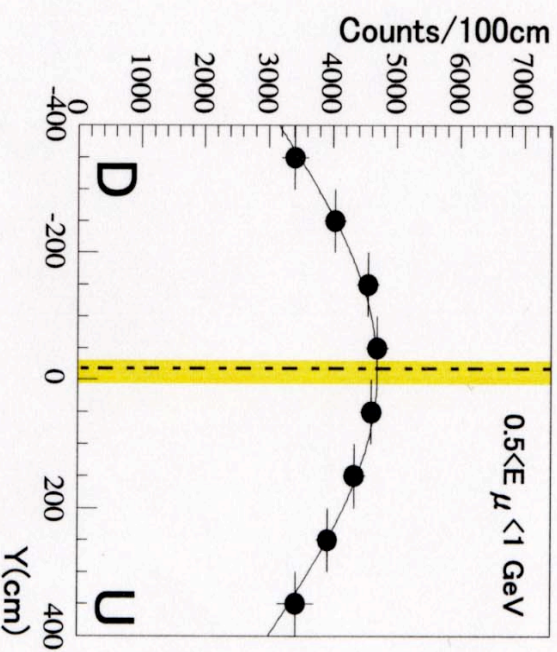
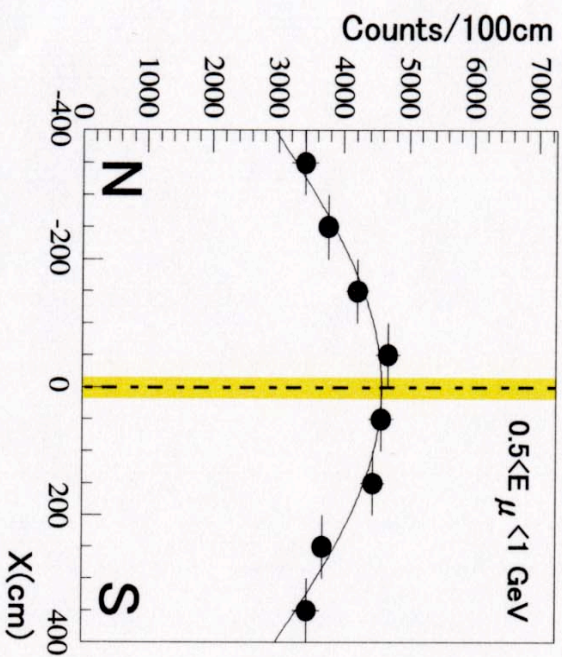
Horizontal  
← +1 mrad  
← -1 mrad

**Beam centered  
to  $\pm 1$  mrad**



Vertical  
← +1 mrad  
← -1 mrad

# Neutrino Beam Profile (MRD)

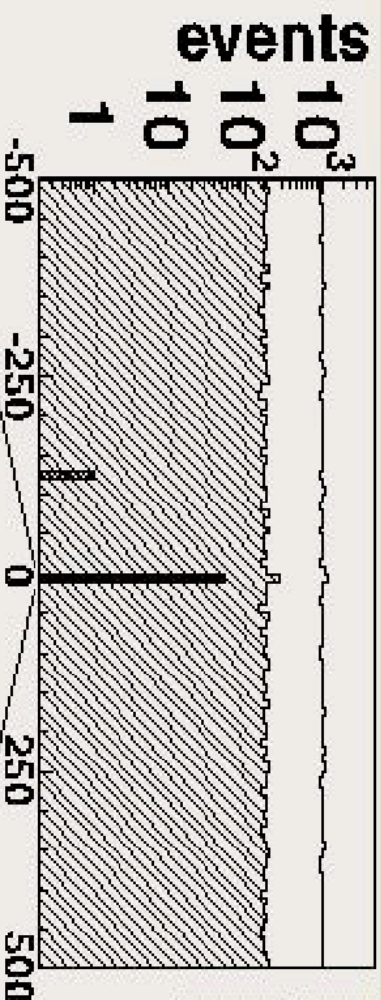


- One Month Data
- Yellow belt: Fitting Error
- Dot-dashed line: Center from GPS survey

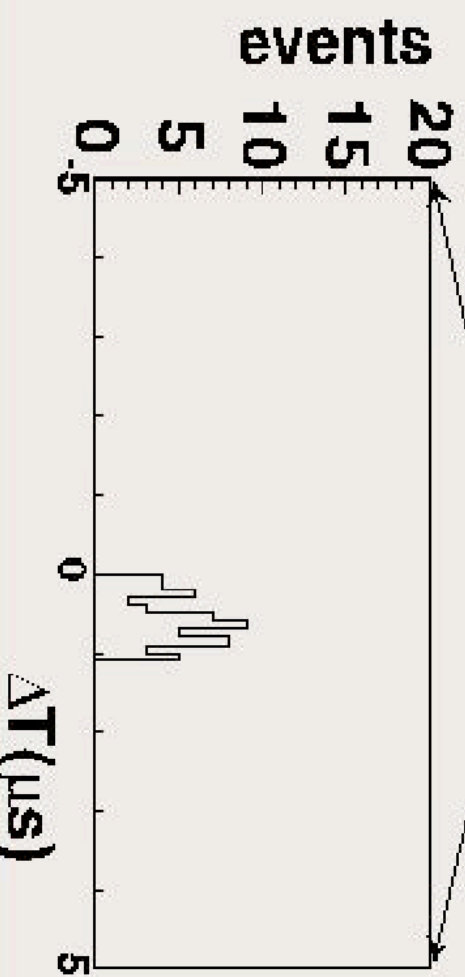
# SK Events



$$-0.2 < \Delta T \equiv T_{SK} - T_{Spill} - \text{TOF} < 1.3 \mu\text{sec}$$



no pre.act  
>200p.e



In 22.5kton  
56 observed  
 1-ring  $\mu$  30  
 1-ring e 2  
 multi ring 24

Atmospheric neutrino background reduced by  $10^6$  by precise timing

# Observed SK events

$4.8 \times 10^{19}$  pot (Jun99-Jul01)

# of observed events and expected events

1999/06-2001/07

Observe muon disappearance !

	Obs.	No Ocsi.	$\Delta m^2 (\times 10^{-3} eV^2)$			
FC 22.5kt	56	$80.6^{+7.3}_{-8.0}$	52.4	34.6	29.2	
1-ring	32	$48.4 \pm 6.7$	28.1	17.8	16.6	
$\mu$ -like	30	$44.0 \pm 6.8$	24.4	14.6	13.5	
e-like	2	$4.4 \pm 1.7$	3.7	3.2	3.0	
multi ring	24	$32.2 \pm 5.3$	24.3	16.8	12.6	

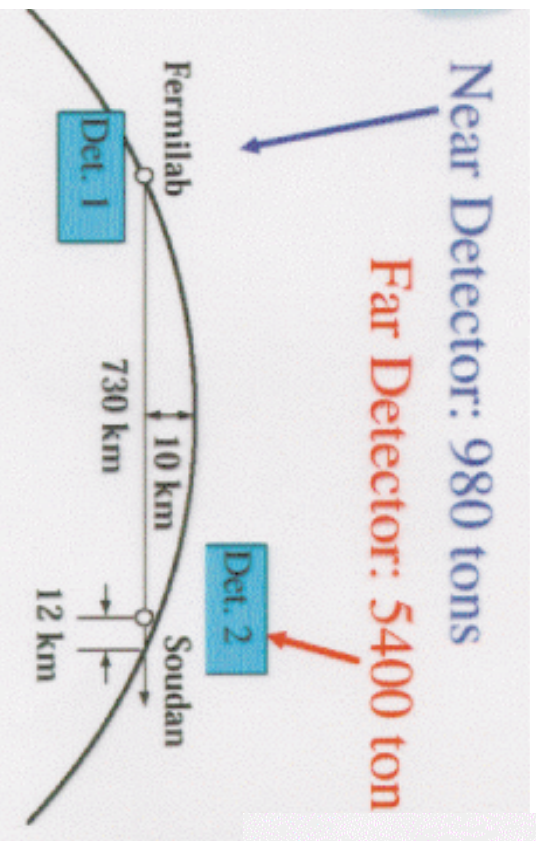
Cf. MRD:  $87.4^{+12.7}_{-13.9}$  SciFi :  $87.3^{+11.9}_{-11.9}$

No disappearance hypothesis is disfavoured at 97% CL.



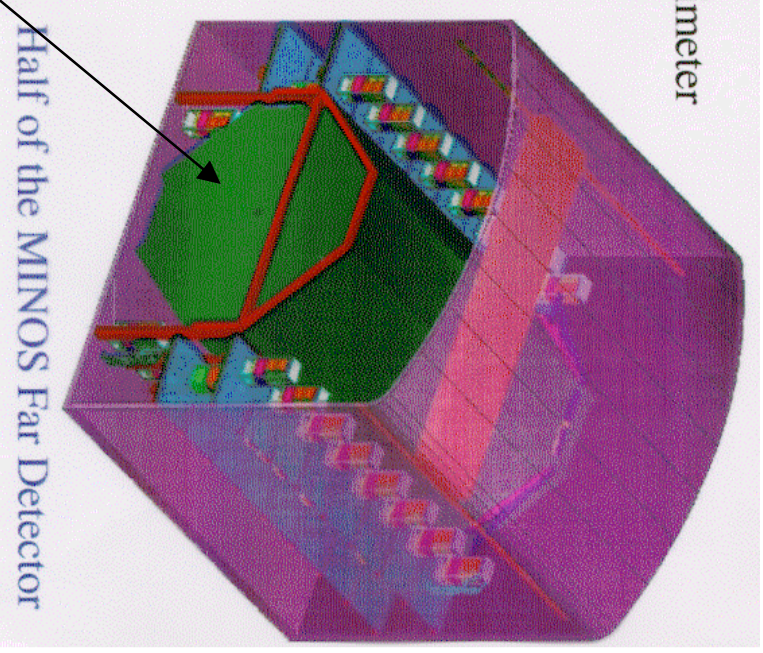
# NUMI-MINOS program

## Two detector Neutrino Oscillation Experiment (Start 2004)



- 8m Octagonal Tracking Calorimeter
- 486 layers of 2.54cm Fe
- 2 sections, each 15m long
- 4.1cm wide solid scintillator strips with WLS fiber readout
- 25,800 m<sup>2</sup> active detector planes
- Magnet coil provides  $\langle B \rangle \approx 1.3T$
- 5.4kt total mass

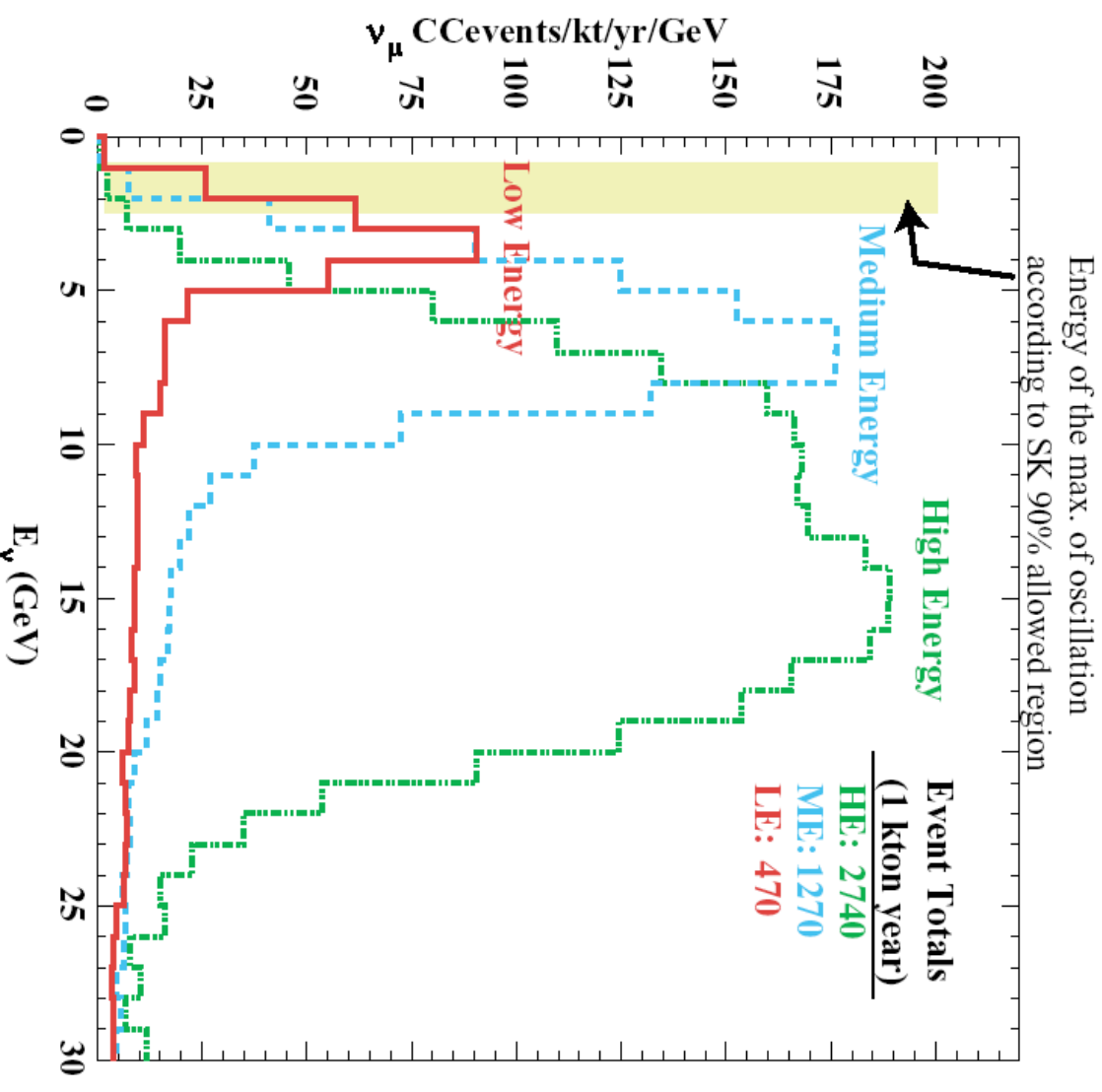
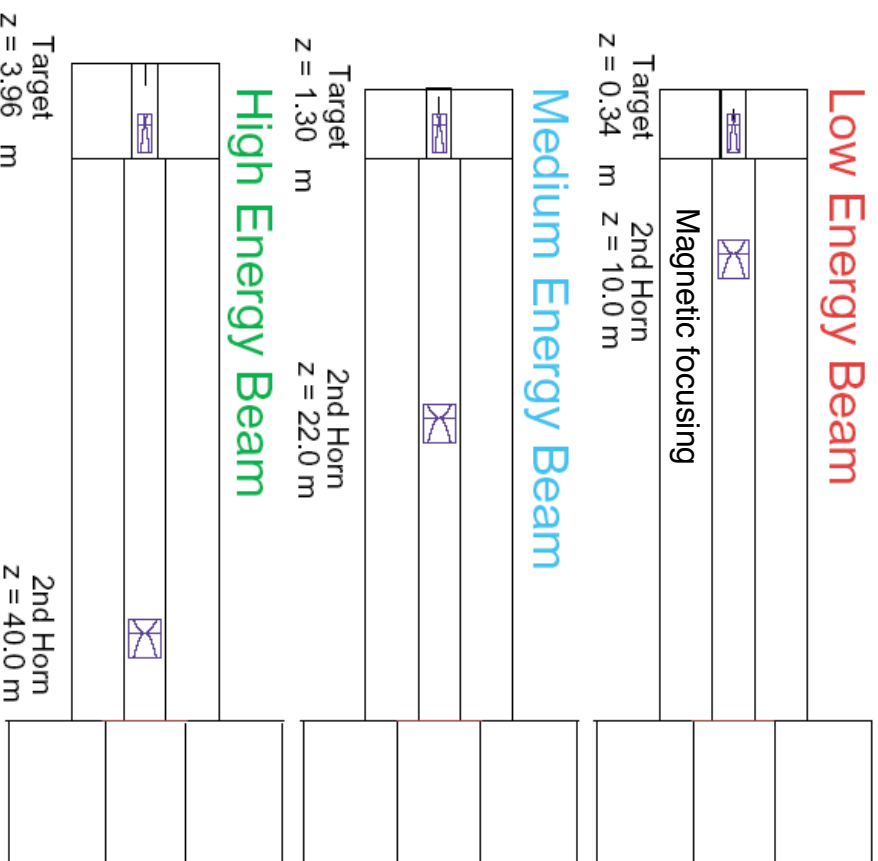
beam



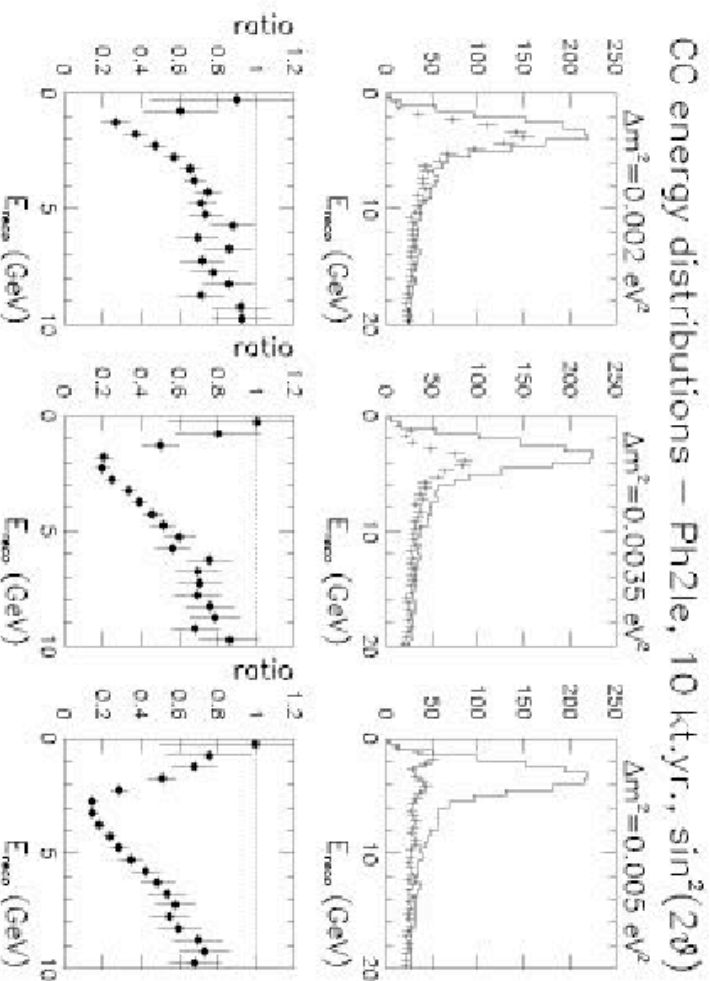


# NUMI neutrino beam

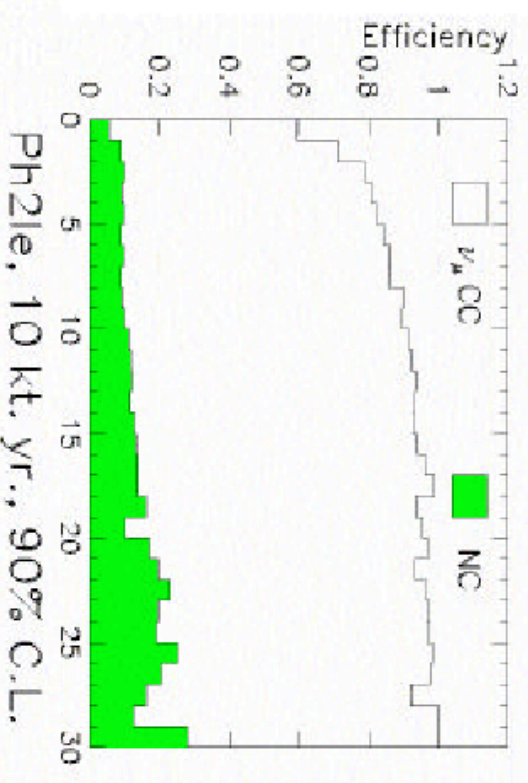
“Sacrifice neutrino flux to fit the expected energy of oscillated events”



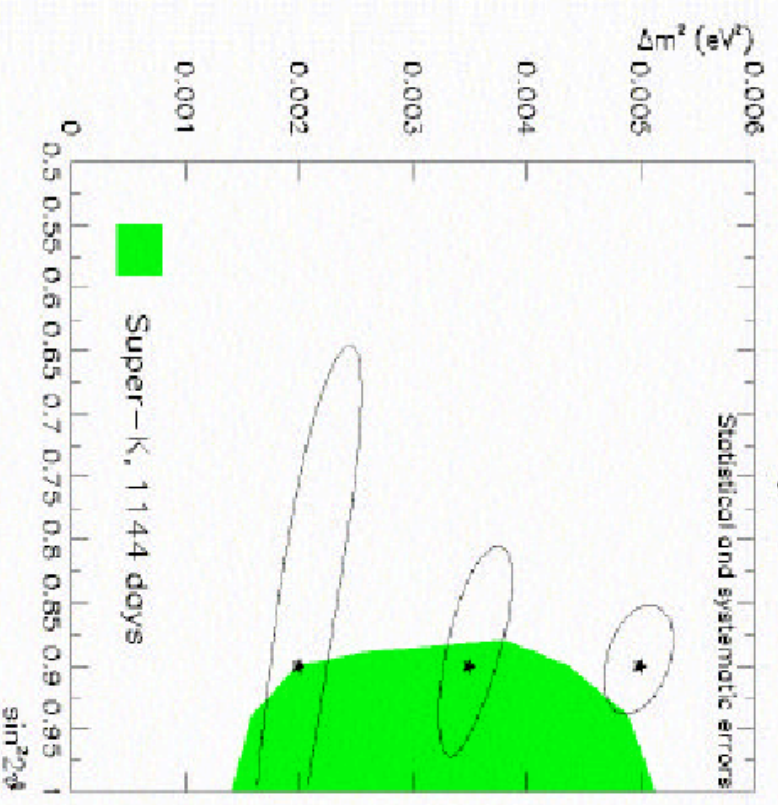
With high statistics and good event efficiencies in the energy region of interest MINOS will give substantially improved oscillation parameter measurements in a 2-year run



CC—like selection efficiencies



Ph2Ie, 10 kt. yr., 90% C.L.



R.C. Webb, LaThuile 2002

# MINOS schedule

- 146 planes mounted as of 1 March 2002 (1.6 kt mass)
  - ↳ 2% of detector per day at present rate of assembly
- **Finish installation of far detector (2001-2003)**
- **Near detector assembly (2001-2003)**
- **Beam line commissioning (2004-2005)**
- **Plan to start with cosmic ray data-taking with half detector and B-field in summer 2002**

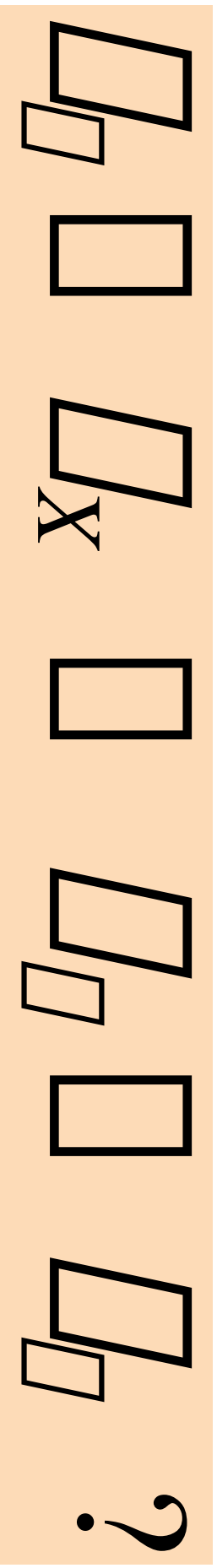
Far detector at SOUDAN



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### 3) Search for

# tau neutrino appearance



with

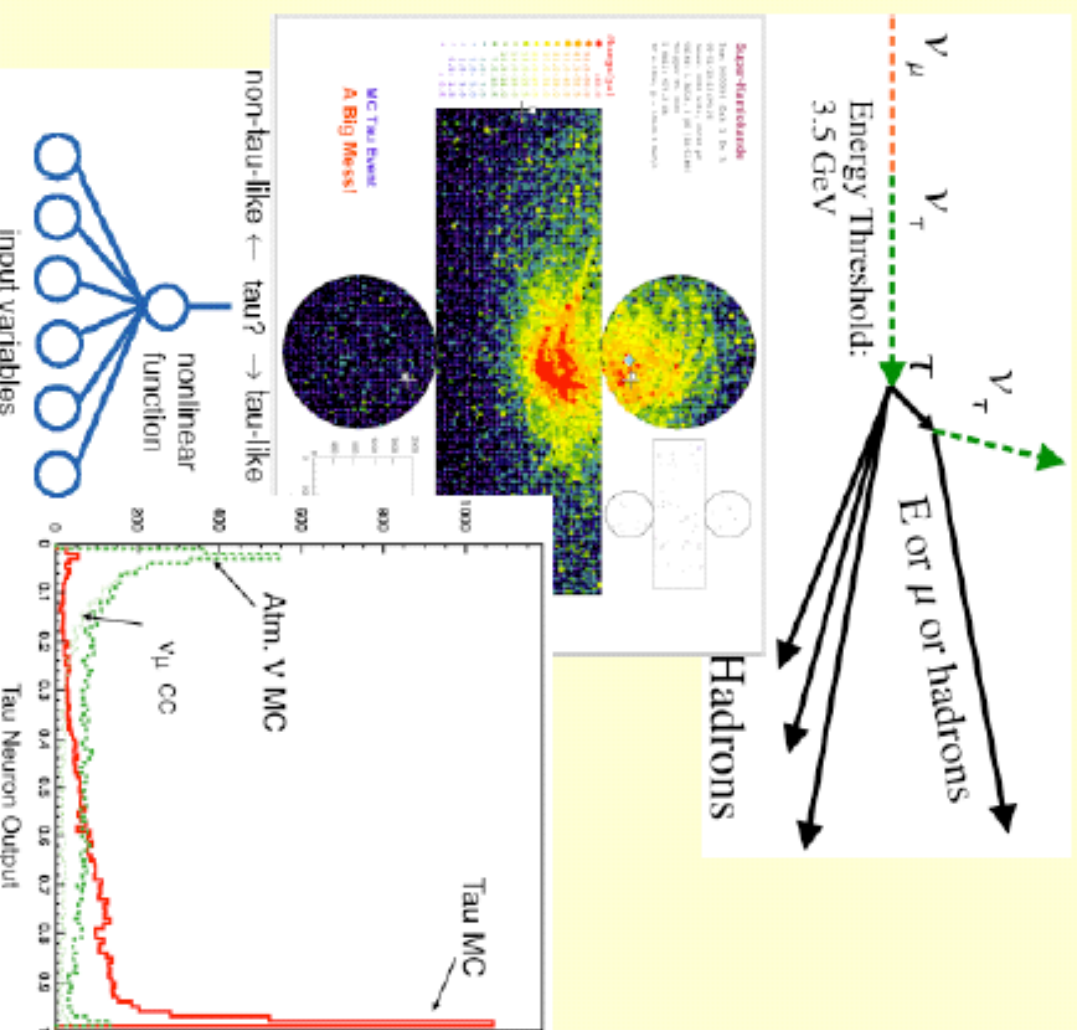
$$\square m^2 \quad \square (1 \square 4) \quad \square 10^3 \square eV^2 \quad \square \sin^2 2 \square \square 1$$

# Atmospheric tau appearance in SuperK (I)

M. Smy, Moriond 2002

## Three Different Analyses

- Different event reconstruction (energy flow, jet variables), Likelihood-function
- Standard ring reconstruction, Likelihood-function
- Standard ring reconstruction, **Neural Net**

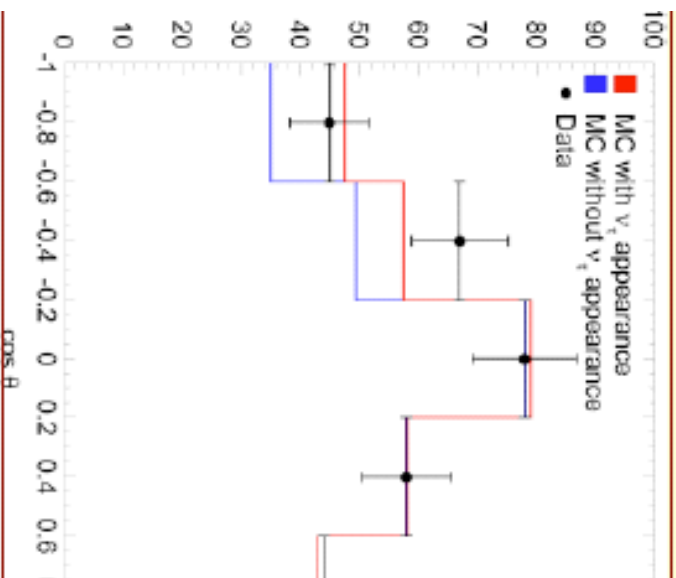


Michael Smy, UC Irvine

# Atmospheric tau appearance in SuperK (II)

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## Zenith Angle Plot of enriched Sample

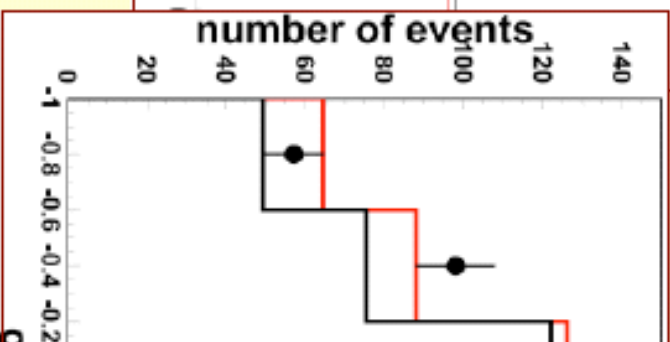


### Energy flow Analysis

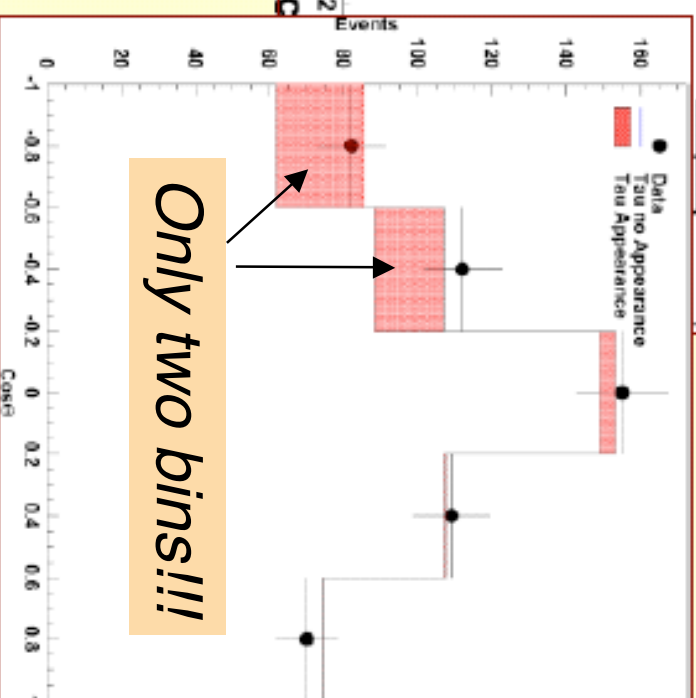
Fit of Zenith Angle Distribution is used to extract the  $\tau$  signal

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### Ring Counting Likelihood



### Neural Net



Only two bins!!!


# Atmospheric tau appearance in SuperK (III)

M. Smy, Moriond 2002

## $\tau$ -type Appearance Summary

Analysis	Number $\tau$ -events in fit	Efficiency	Significance	Expected significance
Energy-flow Likelihood-function	$79^{+44}_{-40}$ (stat+sys)	32%	1.8 $\sigma$	1.9 $\sigma$
Ring-Counting Likelihood-function	$66^{+25}_{-18}$ (stat+sys)	43%	1.5 $\sigma$	2.0 $\sigma$
Ring-Counting Neutral Net	$92^{+18}_{-23}$ (stat+sys)	51%	2.2 $\sigma$	2.0 $\sigma$

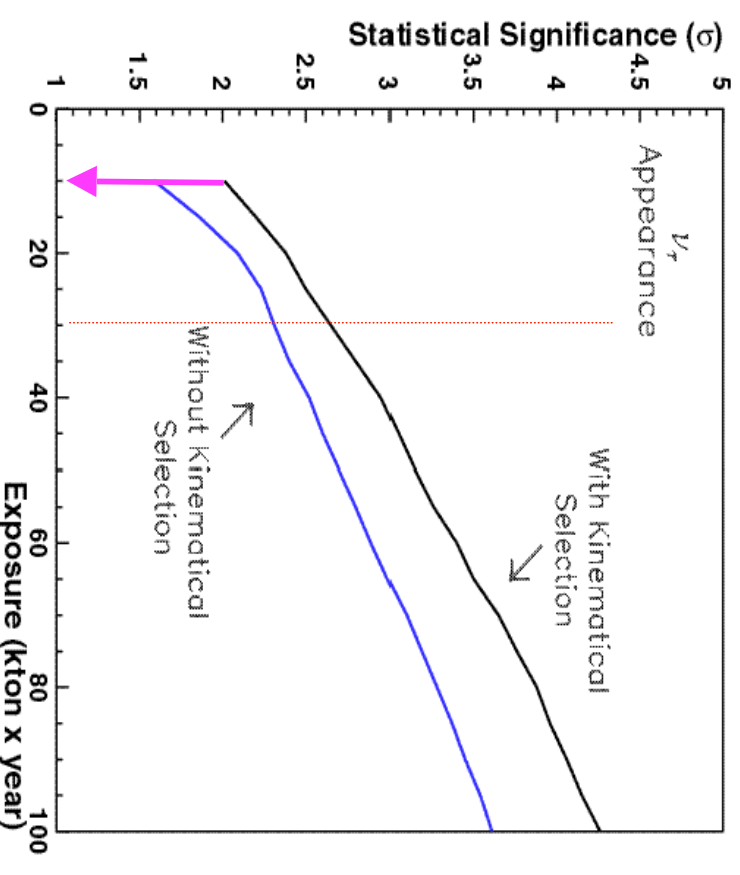
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$\approx 80 \text{ kt} \square \text{ yr exposure}$   A very tough job !

# Simulated atmospheric $\bar{\nu}$ appearance in ICARUS

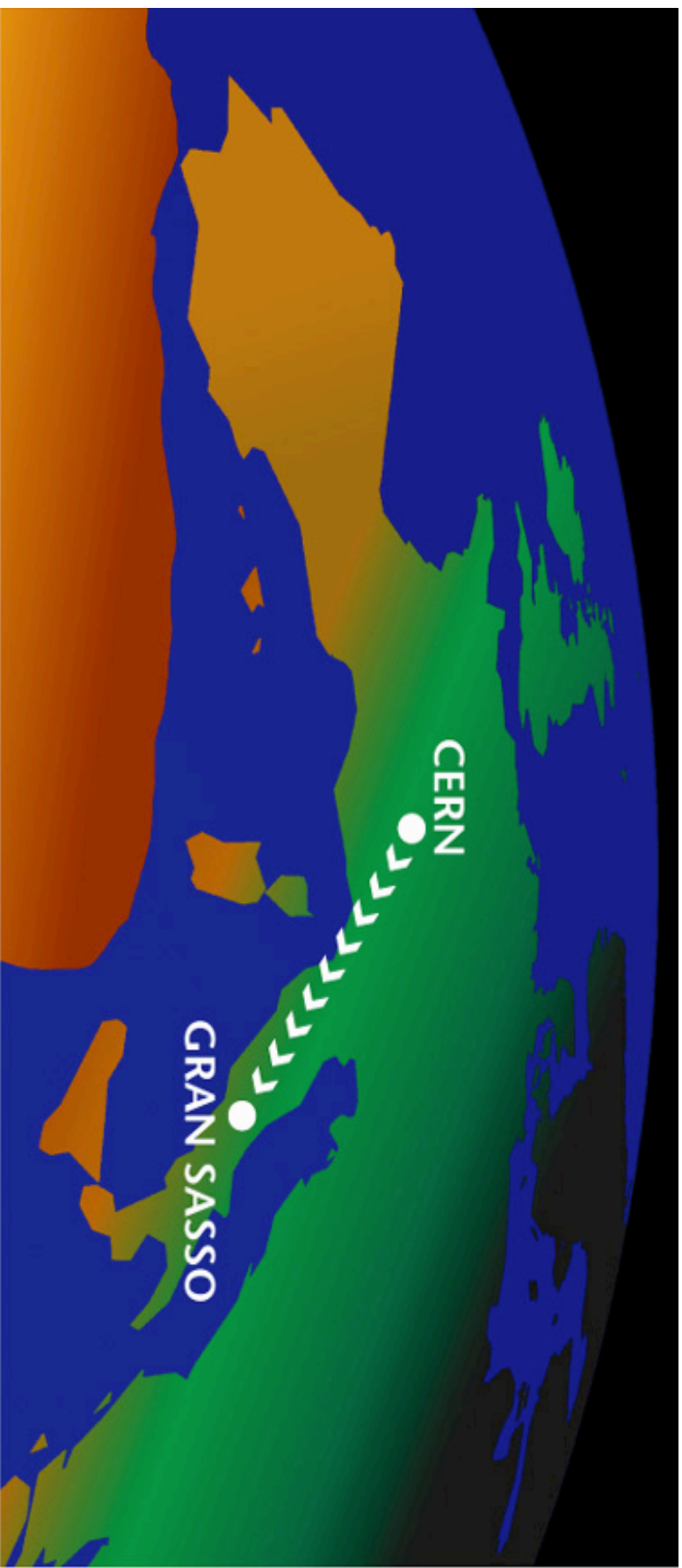
- Compare  $NC(\text{top})$  to  $NC(\text{bottom})$  at high energy
  - Exploit precise kinematical measurement of all final state particles provided by ICARUS imaging
  - Improved discrimination by a study of the event kinematical properties
- Still a tough job !

>  $3\sigma$  effect  
after 40 kt x year exposure





# Goal of the CNGS project

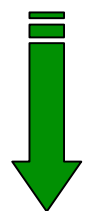


“Long Base-Line”  $\mu$   $\tau$   $\nu$  oscillation experiments

- build an intense high energy  $\mu$  beam at CERN-SPS
- optimized for  $\mu$  appearance search at Gran Sasso laboratory (730 km from CERN)

# CNGS Optimization for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ Appearance

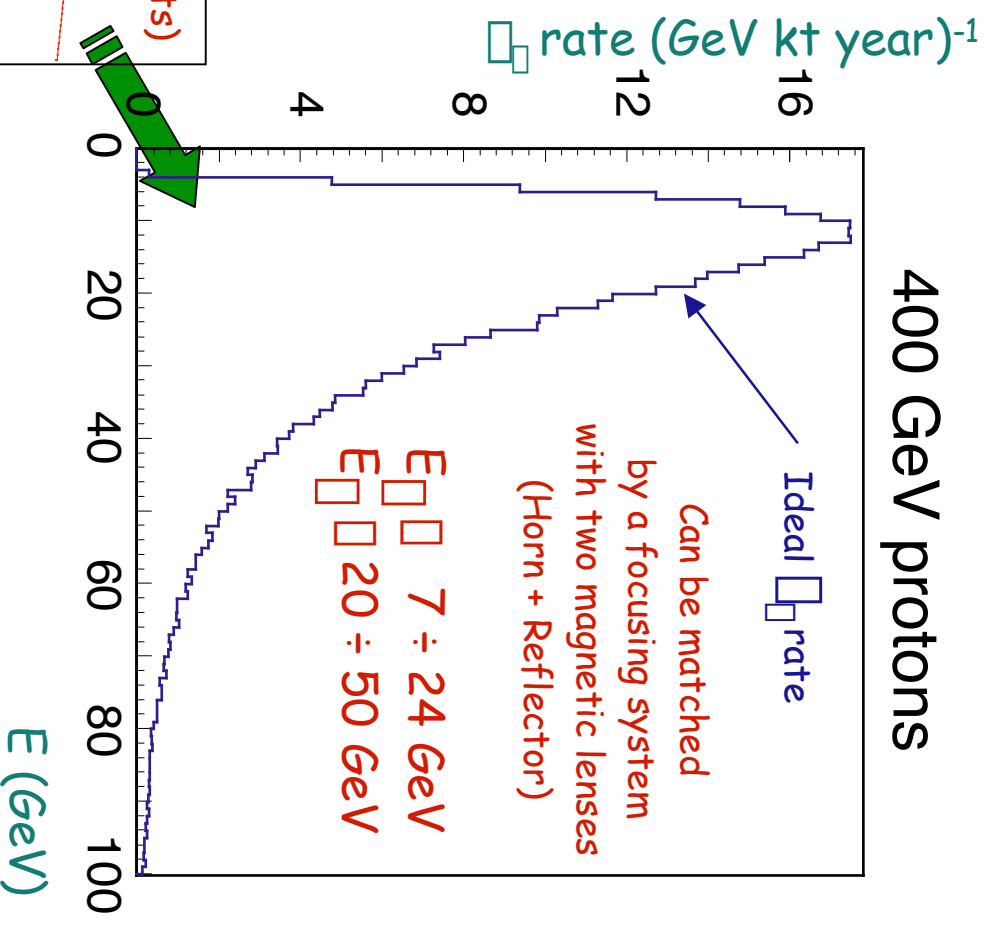
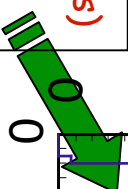
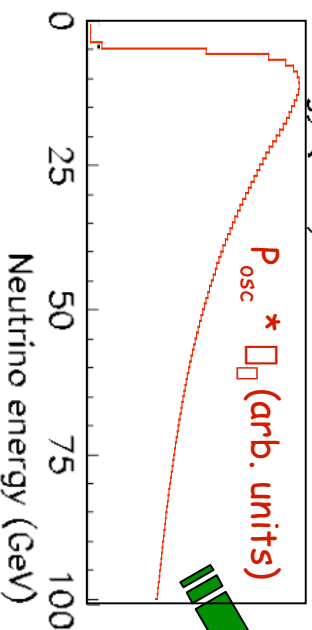
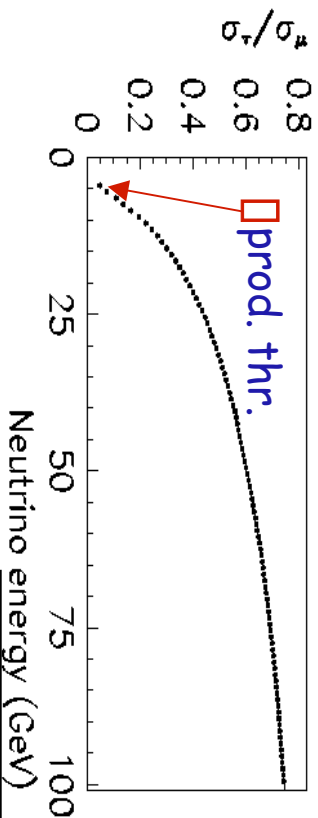
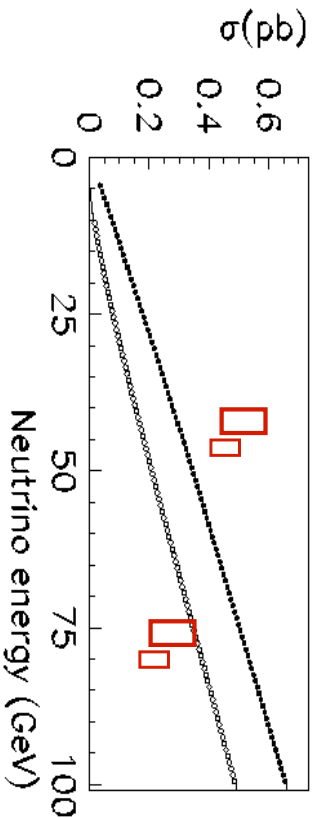
$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}$$



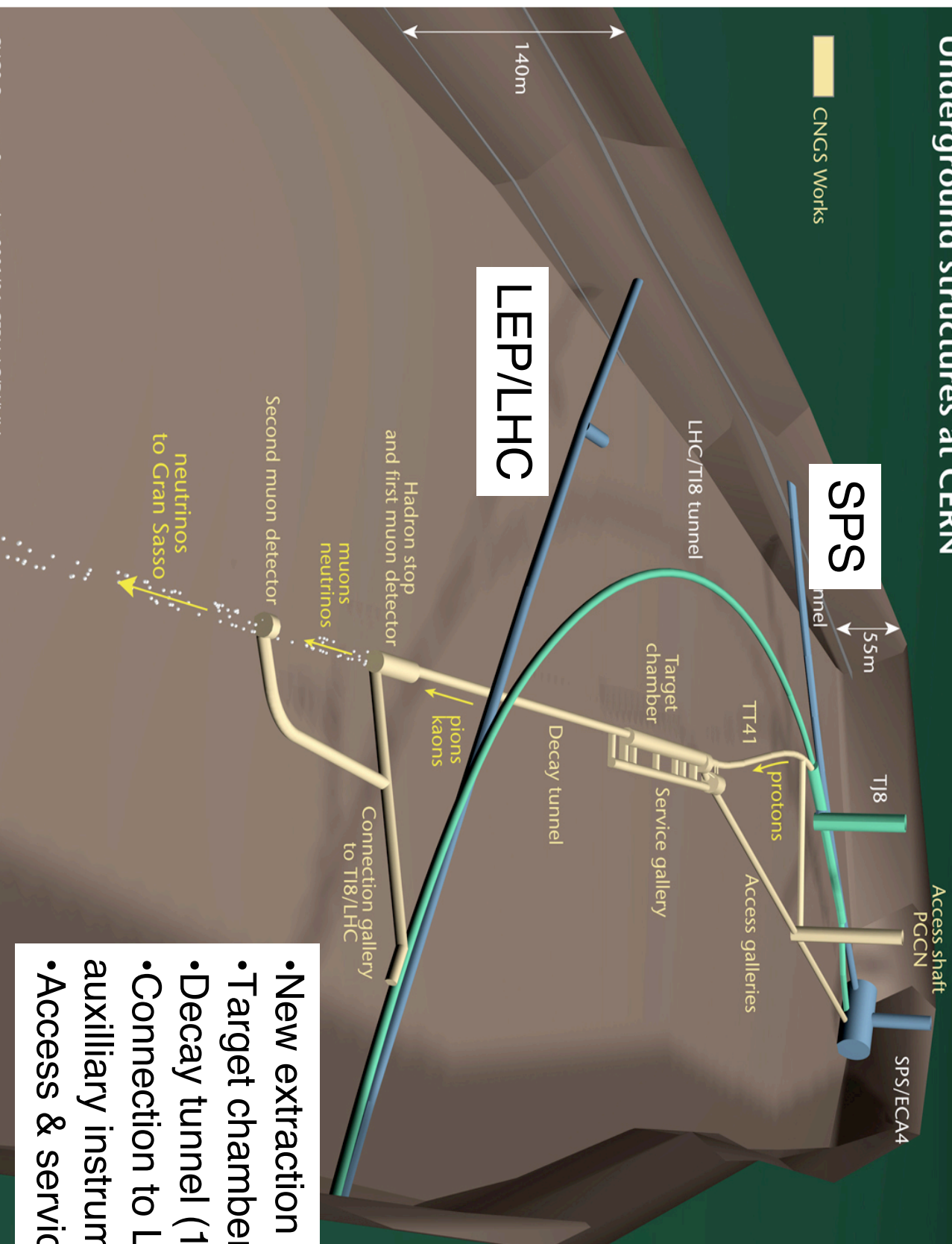
$P_{osc}$  ↓

$E_\tau$  ↑

$\sigma_{\nu\tau}$  CC increases with energy  
(kin. suppr. due to  $\theta$  mass)



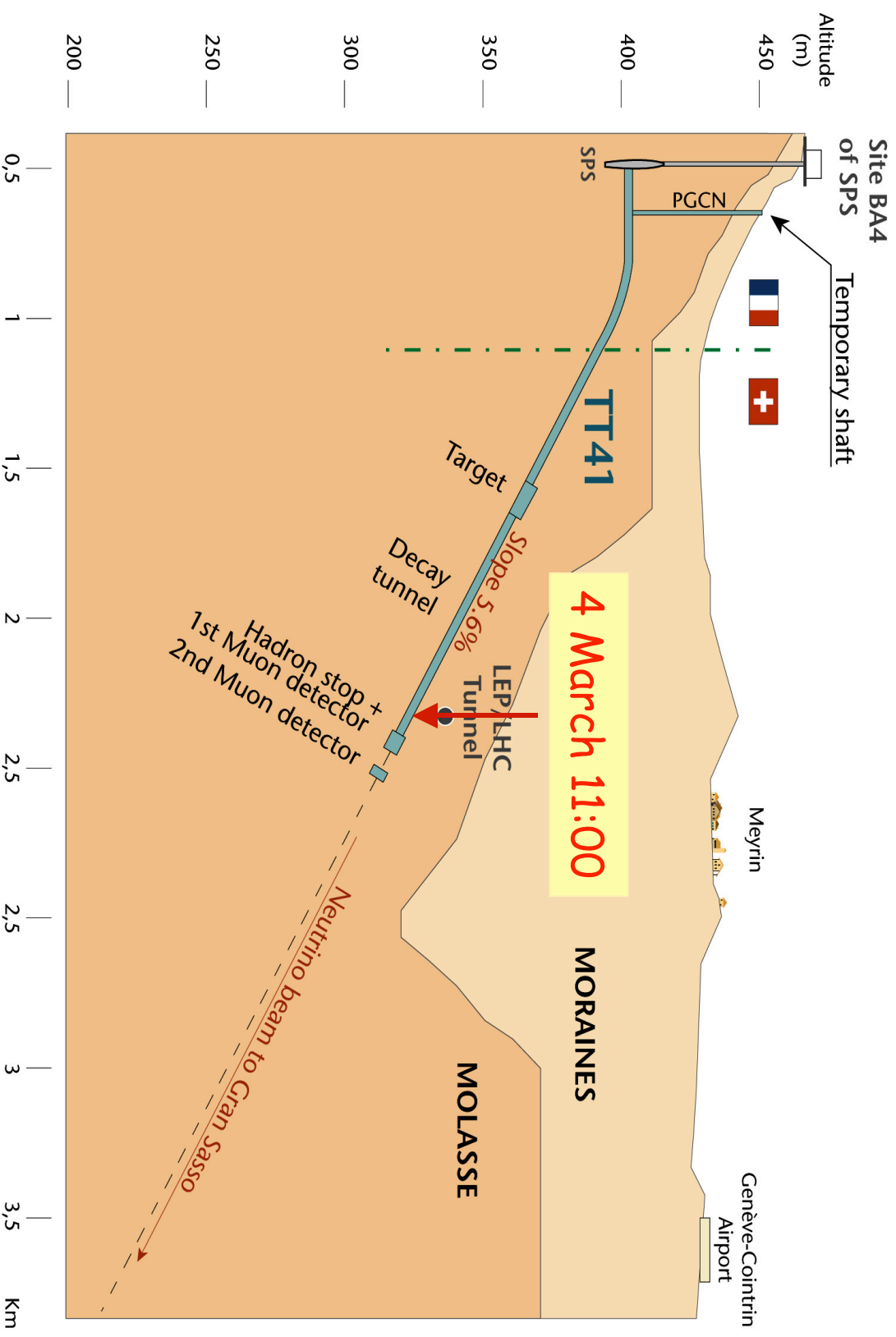
# CERN NEUTRINOS TO GRAN SASSO Underground structures at CERN



- New extraction line
- Target chamber
- Decay tunnel (1 km)
- Connection to LHC for auxiliary instrumentation
- Access & services galleries

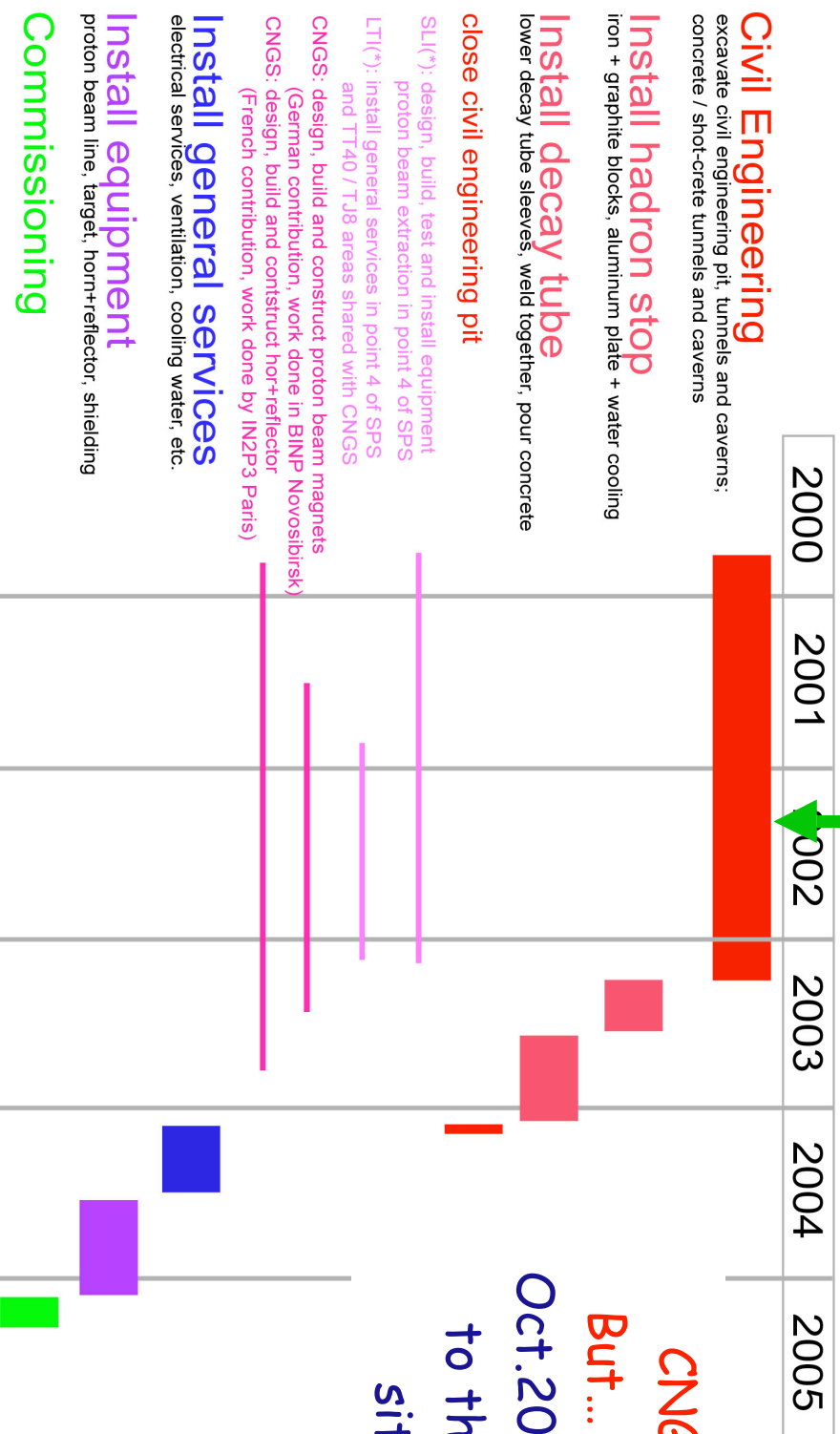


# Aiming at LNGs...



# Present CNGS Schedule

"today"



**CNGS is on schedule!**

**But... SPS will stop from**

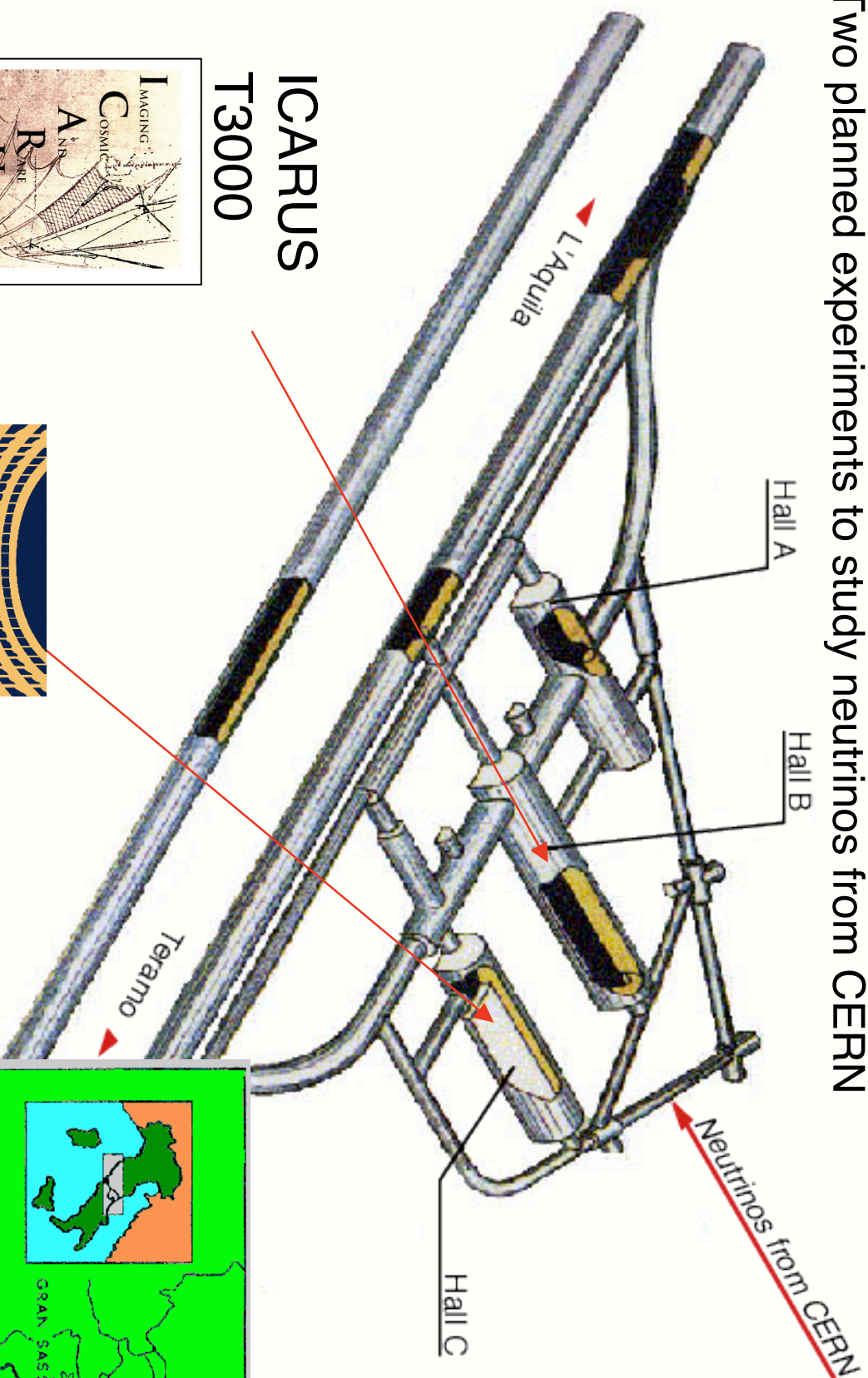
**Oct.2004 to Apr.2006, due to the critical financial situation of CERN**

**First beam to Gran Sasso:**

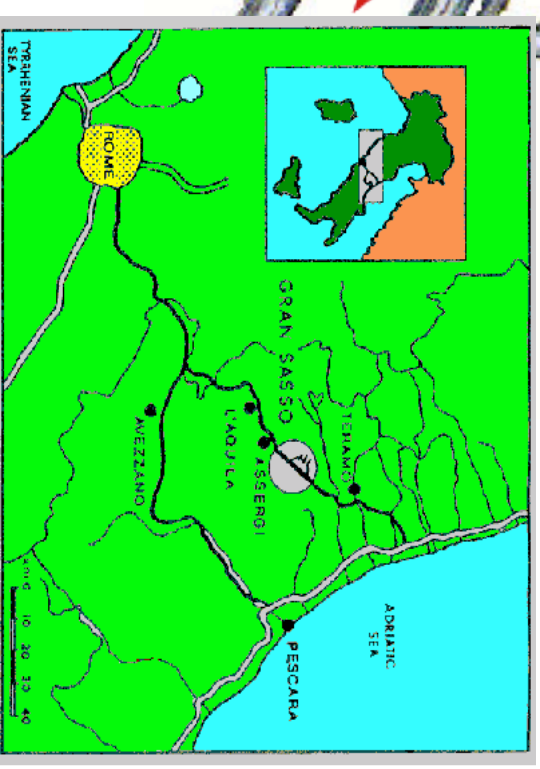
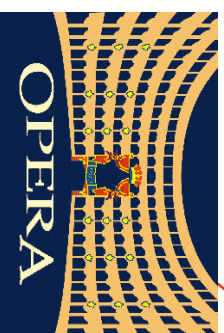
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# LNGS Laboratory and the CNGS beam

Two planned experiments to study neutrinos from CERN

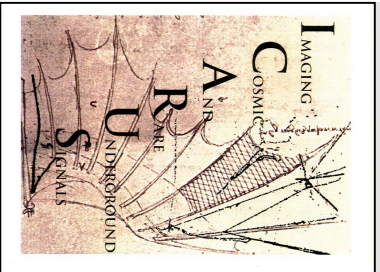
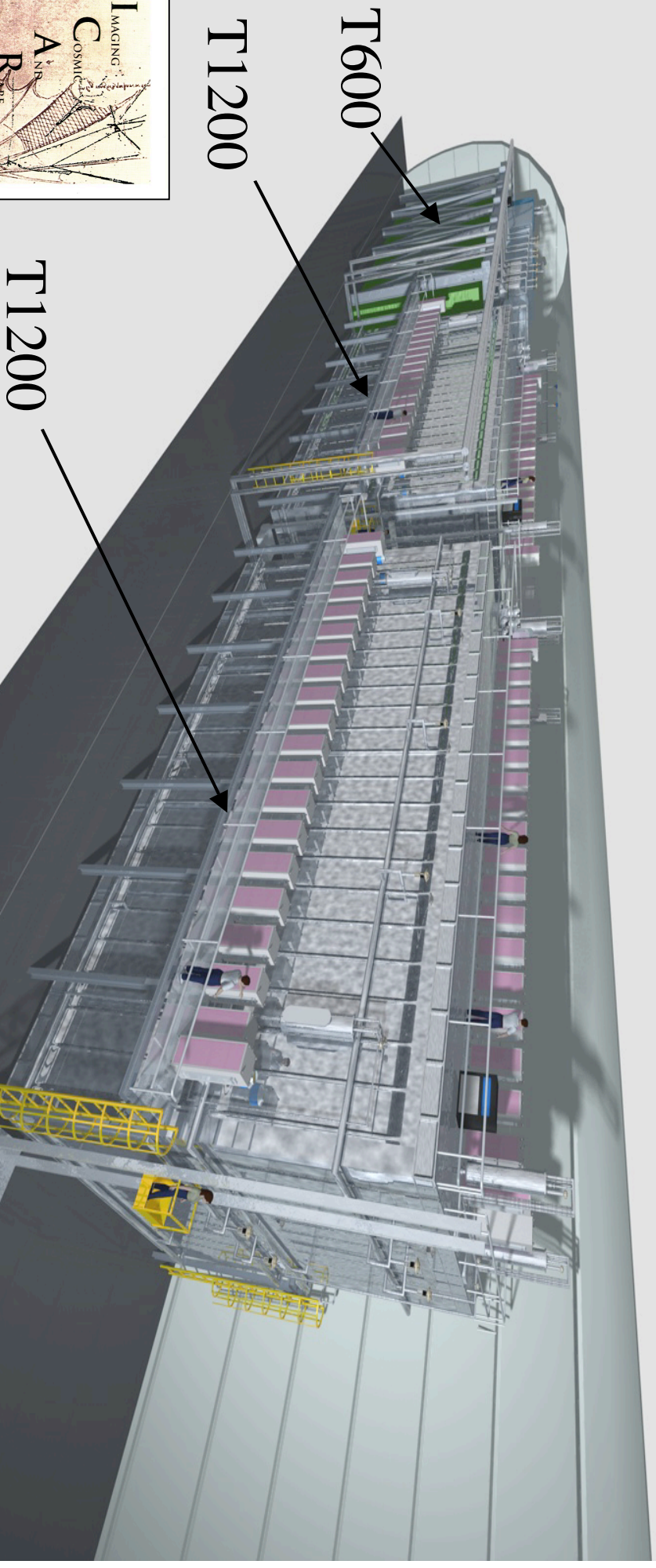


ICARUS  
T3000



# ICARUS T3000 proposal

*GSSC March 2002: « (...) the proposed experiment is to be considered only if the detector volume is not reduced and the starting time is around 2006. »*

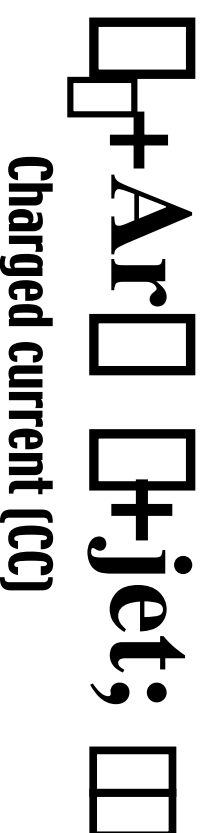
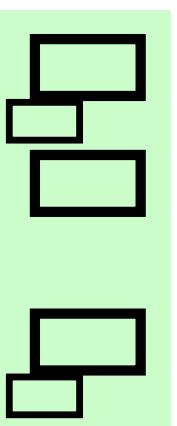


**T600:** installed in LNGS early 2003  
**T3000:** operational by summer 2006

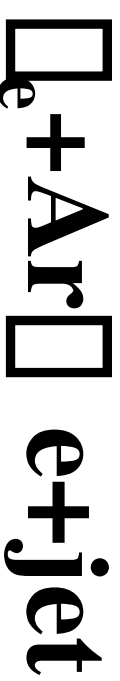
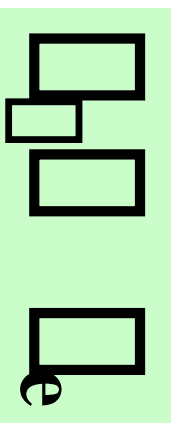
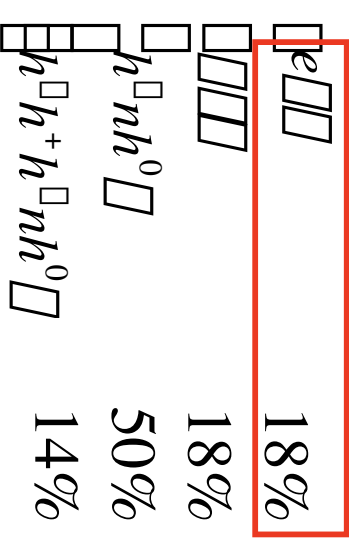


# Direct detection of flavor oscillation

The expected  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  contamination of the CNGS neutrino beam in absence of oscillations is in the order of  $10^{-2}$  and  $10^{-7}$  relative to the main  $\nu_\mu$  component



Charged current (CC)



Charged current (CC)

# 3D e search: 3D likelihood

- Analysis based on 3 dimensional likelihood

$\rightarrow E_{\text{visible}}, P_{T^{\text{miss}}}, P_{T^{\text{had}}} + P_{T^{\text{miss}}}$ ,  $\Omega \equiv P_{T^{\text{lep}}} / (P_{T^{\text{lep}}} + P_{T^{\text{lep}+}}$

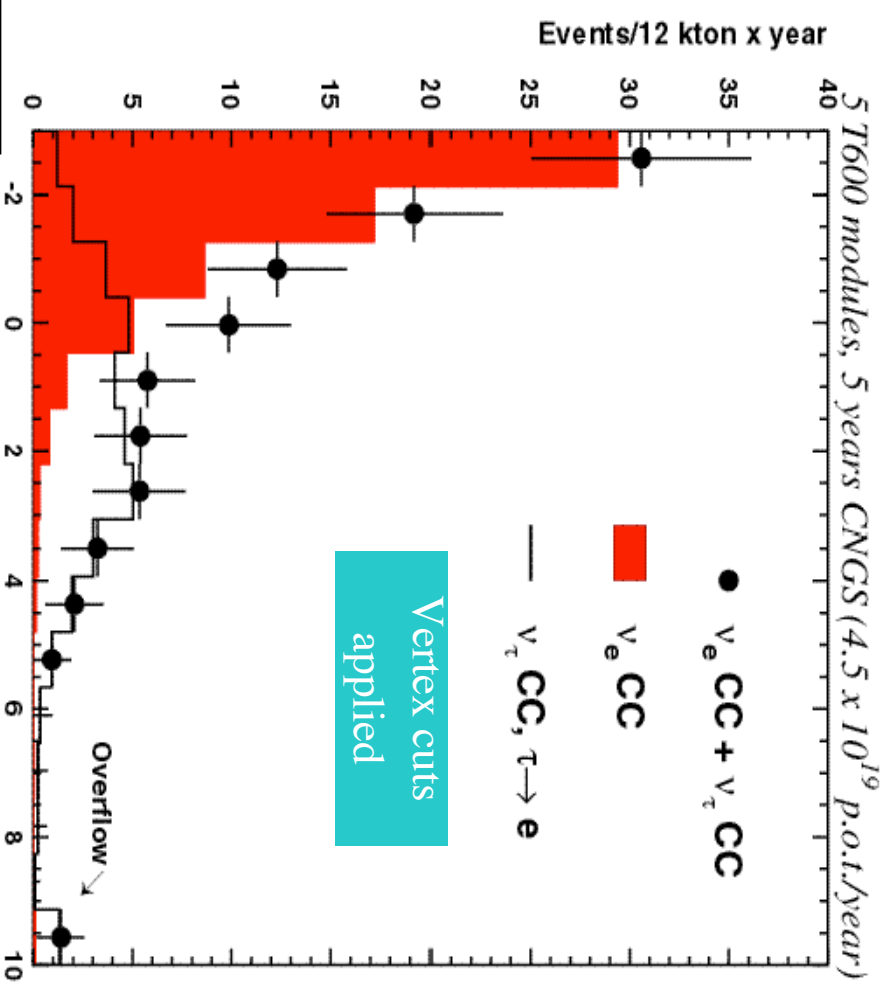
$\rightarrow$  Exploit correlation between variables

$\rightarrow$  Two functions built:

- $L_S$  ( $[E_{\text{visible}}, P_{T^{\text{miss}}}, \Omega]$ ) (signal)
- $L_B$  ( $[E_{\text{visible}}, P_{T^{\text{miss}}}, \Omega]$ ) ( $\Omega_e$  CC background)

$\rightarrow$  Discrimination given by

$$\ln \Omega \equiv L([E_{\text{visible}}, P_{T^{\text{miss}}}, \Omega]) = L_S / L_B$$



ln  $\Omega$



# appearance search summary

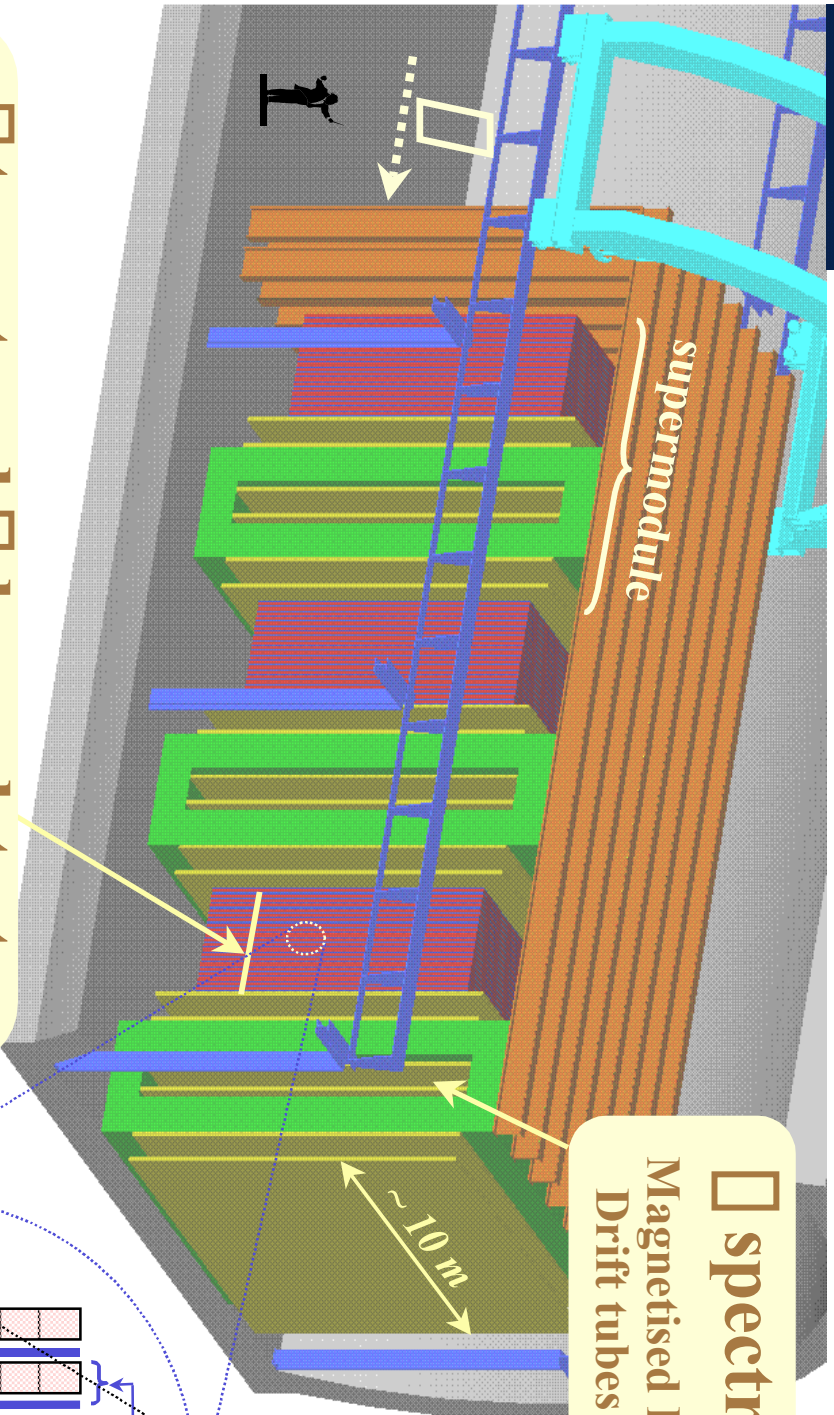
ICARUS T3000 detector  
 (2.35 kton active LAr)  
 5 year CNGS “shared” running  
 (2.25 x 10<sup>20</sup> p.o.t.)



$\tau$ decay mode	Signal $\Delta m^2 =$ 1.6 × 10 <sup>-3</sup> eV <sup>2</sup>	Signal $\Delta m^2 =$ 2.5 × 10 <sup>-3</sup> eV <sup>2</sup>	Signal $\Delta m^2 =$ 3.0 × 10 <sup>-3</sup> eV <sup>2</sup>	Signal $\Delta m^2 =$ 4.0 × 10 <sup>-3</sup> eV <sup>2</sup>	BG
$\tau \rightarrow e$	3.7	9	13	23	0.7
$\tau \rightarrow \rho$ DIS	0.6	1.5	2.2	3.9	< 0.1
$\tau \rightarrow \rho$ QE	0.6	1.4	2.0	3.6	< 0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>30.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>

Super-Kamiokande: **1.6** <  $\Delta m^2$  < **4.0** at 90% C.L.

# The OPERA detector structure



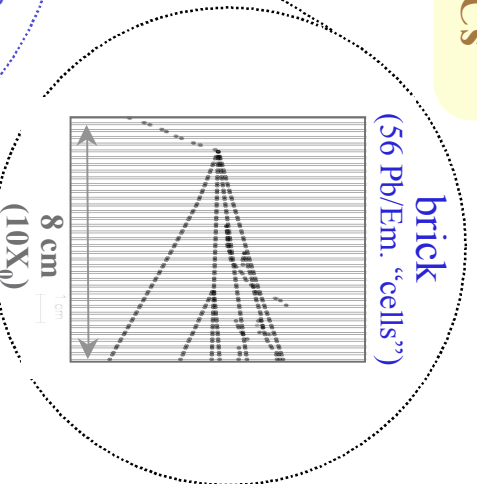
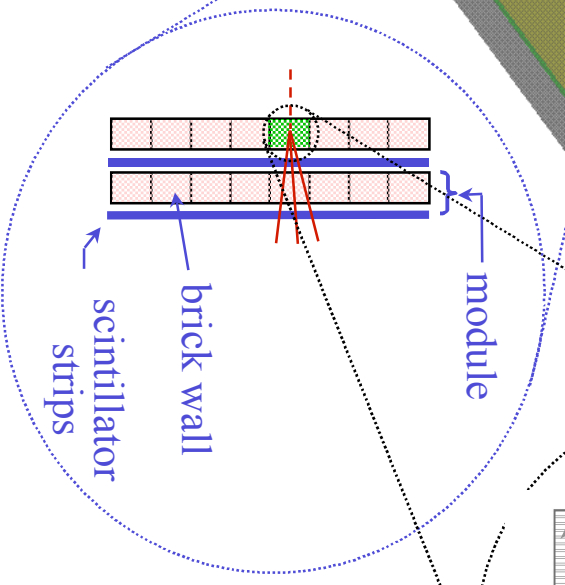
## □ target and □ decay detector

- Each “supermodule” is a sequence of 24 “modules” consisting of
- a “wall” of Pb/emulsion “bricks”
  - two planes of orthogonal scintillator strips

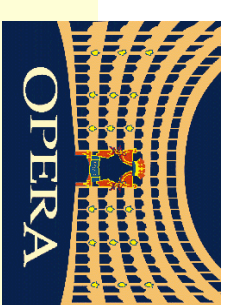
## □ spectrometer

Magnetised Iron Dipoles  
Drift tubes and RPCs

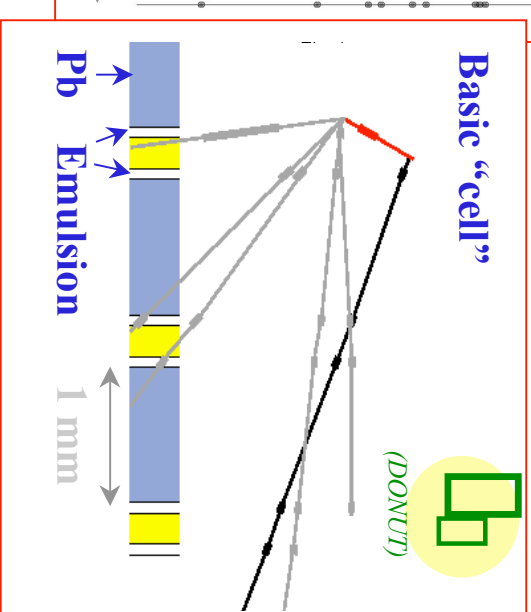
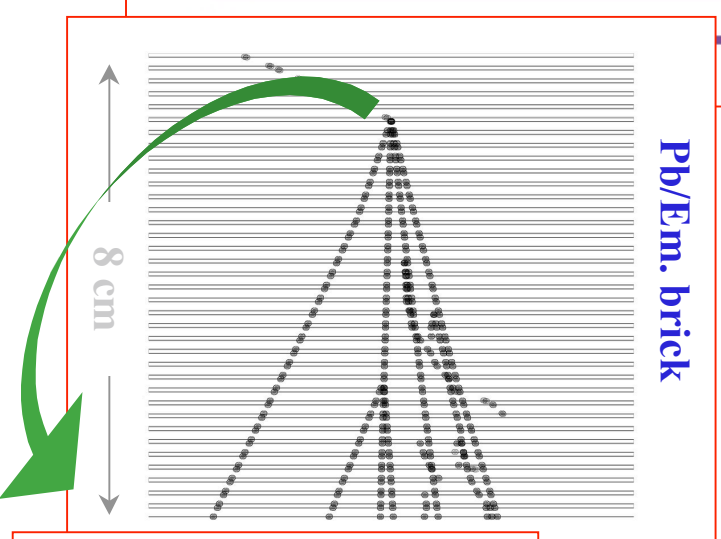
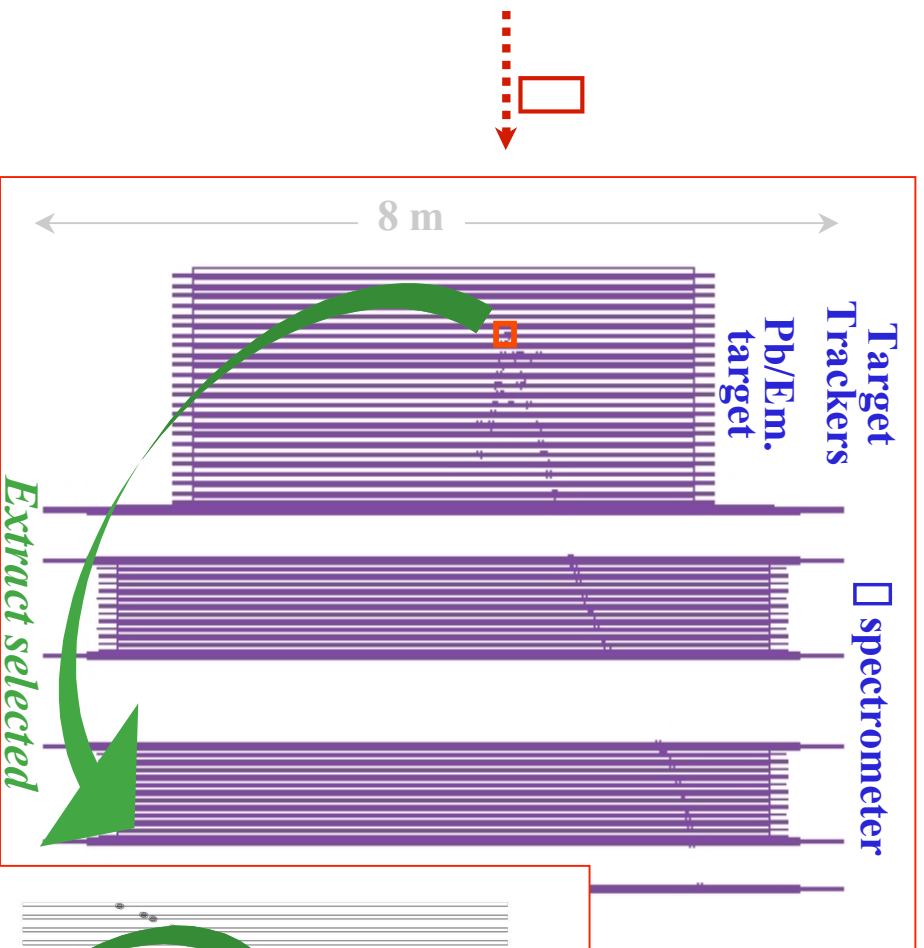
~ 10 m



**235,000  
bricks**



# A "hybrid" experiment at work



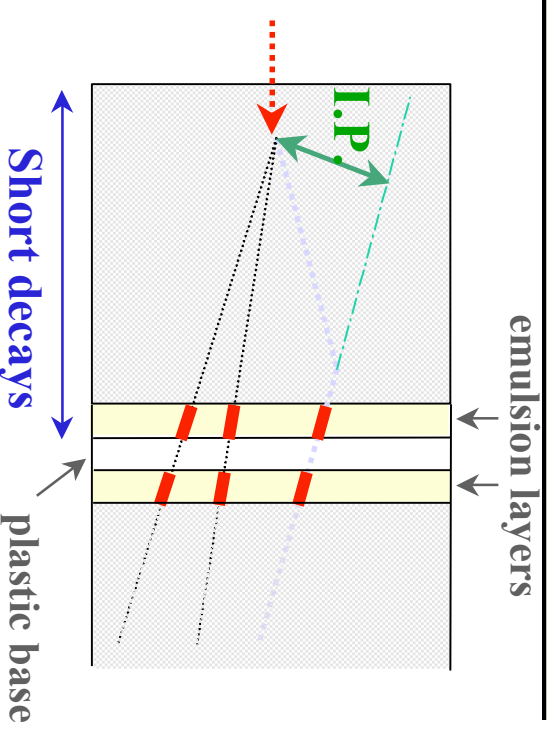
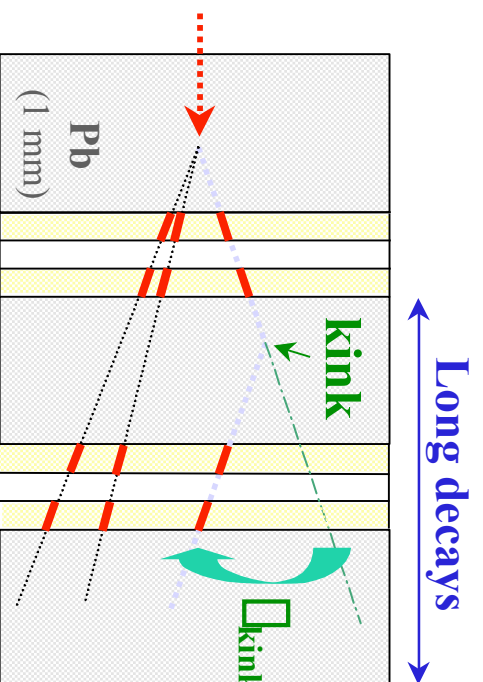
- ### Electronic detectors
- select  interaction brick
  - ID, charge and p

- ### Emulsion analysis
- vertex search
  - decay search
  - e/ID, kinematics

# Expected number of events

5 year run with 1.8 kton average target mass, nominal  $\theta$  flux  
 Full mixing, Super-Kamiokande best fit and 90% CL limits  
 as presented at the 2001 Lepton Photon Conference

Decay mode	Signal	Signal	Signal	Bkgn.
$\square\square$ e long	0.8	3.1	15.4	0.15
$\square\square$ long	0.7	2.9	14.5	0.29
$\square\square$ h long	0.9	3.4	16.8	0.24
$\square\square$ e short	0.2	0.9	4.5	0.03
$\square\square$ short	0.1	0.5	2.3	0.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>0.75</b>



# OPERA Status

## ➤ Achieved

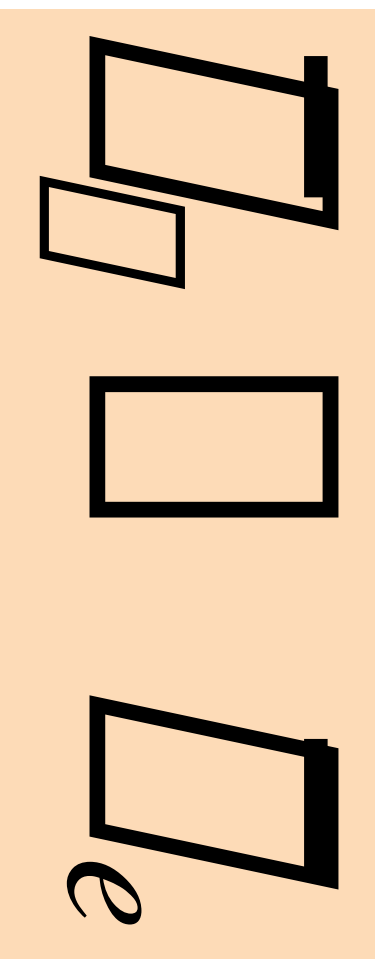
- Studies, construction of full scale prototypes
- Detector design finalised
- Construction started, but “moratorium” following the CERN crisis
- Progress in automatic scanning in Europe and Japan
- □ detection efficiency improved since CNGS approval
- Collaboration funded and organised for construction

## ➤ Detector construction and installation

- Large and complex detector, with a “challenging” schedule
- Prompt reaction to overcome problems arising from CERN crisis
- Aim: detector ready at beam start-up in 2006

# 4) Evidence for electron neutrino appearance

Phys.Rev.Lett.77:3082-3085,1996

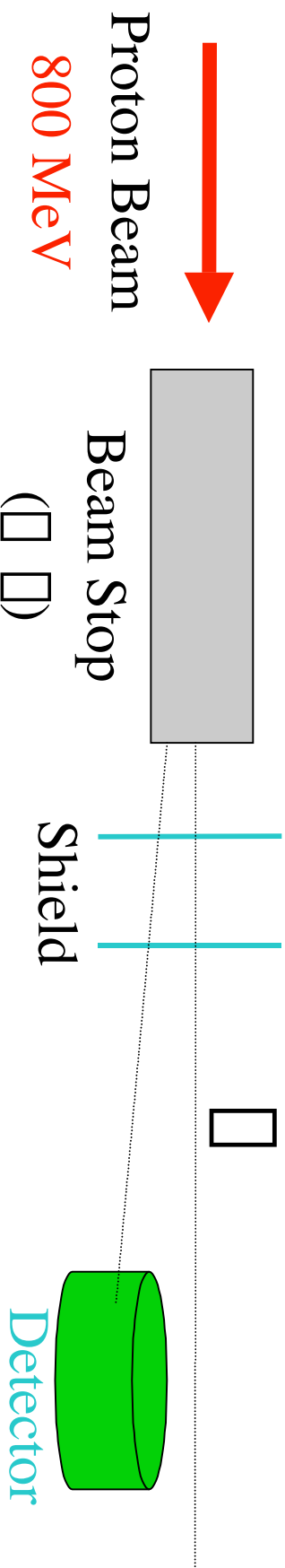


with

$\Delta m^2 \sim O(1eV^2)$  and small mixing



# Medium Energy Accelerator



## Detector

LSND

(U.S.A.)

Accelerator

LAMPF

Proton Current

1 mA

Beam Pulse

500 □s

8.3 ms pause

Mass

180 tons

Distance

17 m

Angle with beam

17°

KARMEN

(U.K.)

ISIS

0.2 mA

2 x 100 □s

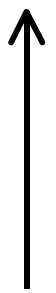
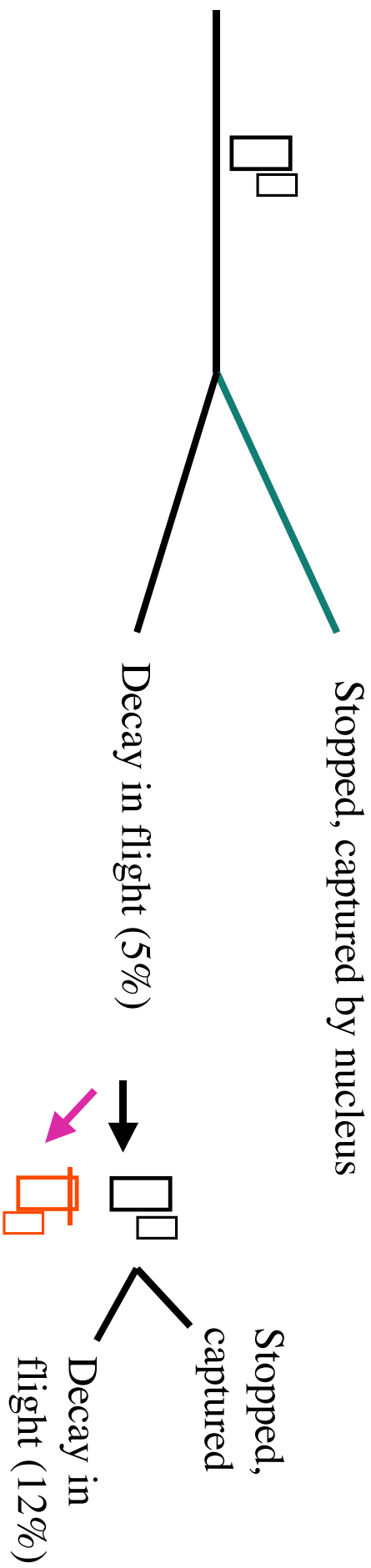
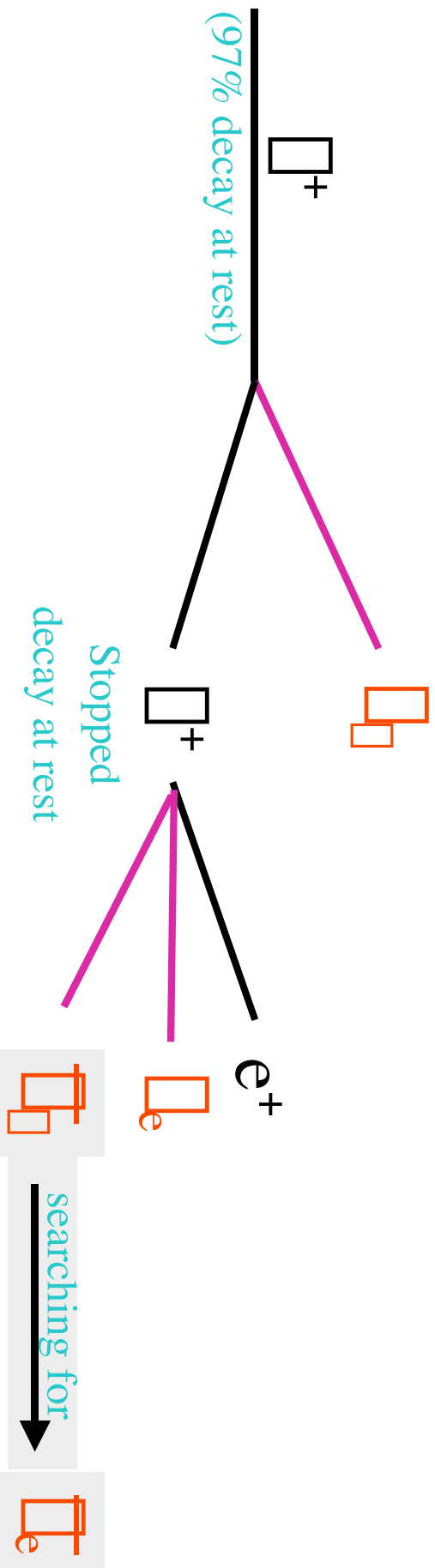
20 ms pause

56 tons

30 m

90°

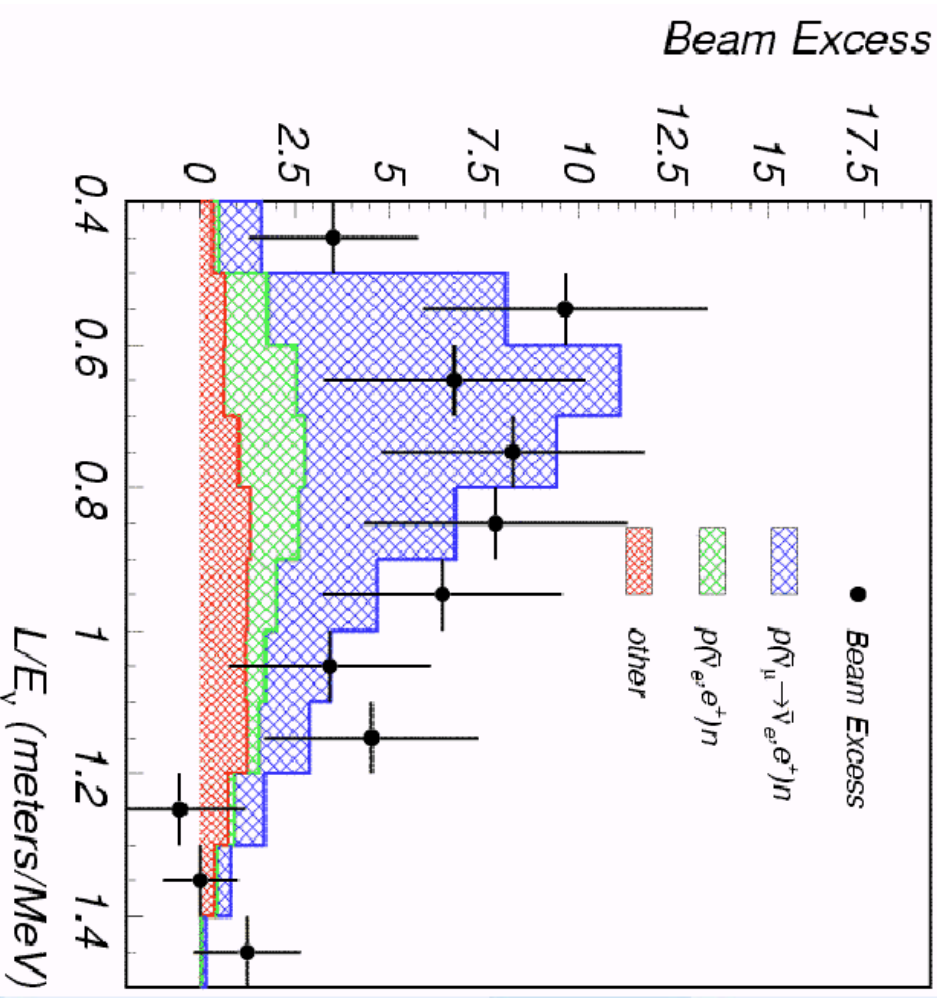
# Neutrinos produced from $\mu^+$ and $\tau^+$ decays



**Small contamination**

# LSND DAR Oscillation Result

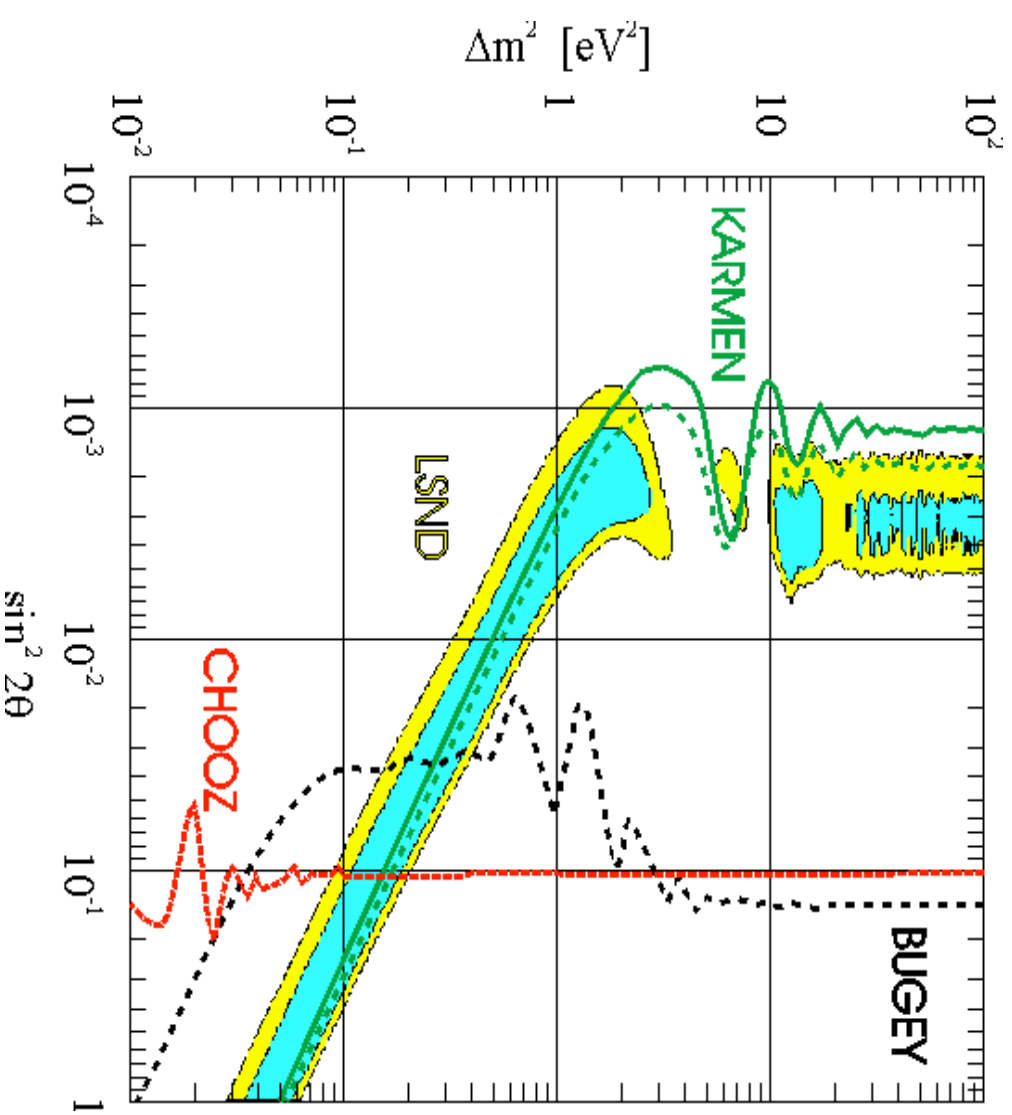
- Data collected at Los Alamos 800 MeV proton accelerator
- Data collected 1993-1998
- Signal reaction (DAR):
  - $\bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$  followed by n-capture on protons  $np \rightarrow d + \gamma$  (2.2MeV)
- Observed excess:
  - 87.9±22.4±6 events
  - 3.6σ statistical significance
  - 4 times the expected rate from beam anti- $\bar{\nu}_e$
- Could be explained in terms of neutrino flavor oscillation
  - Probability: (0.264±0.067±0.045)%
  - Apparently in contrast with solar and atmospheric data which favor large mixing angles!



# LSND and KARMEN Results

*A small window of opportunity ...*

- **KARMEN limits**
  - ↳ **Solid curve** calculated with the Feldman & Cousins approach
  - ↳ **Dashed curve is** experiment's sensitivity
- **LSND signal region**
  - ↳ **+ 90%**  $L_{\max} - L < 2.3$
  - ↳ **+ 99%**  $L_{\max} - L < 4.6$



# LSND Implications

## 1. If we believe all experimental results are due to neutrino flavor oscillations

- ↪ What we know from other experiments
  - Atmospheric  $\nu_\mu$ 's oscillate at  $\Delta m^2 \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$  with maximal mixing:  $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$  favored
  - Solar  $\nu_e$ 's oscillate at  $\Delta m^2 < 10^{-4} \text{ eV}^2$  ( see J. Bouchez's talk ):  $\nu_e \leftrightarrow \nu_\mu$  favored
- ↪ LSND results has  $\Delta m^2 \sim 1 \text{ eV}^2$  for  $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_e$ 
  - hence require  $\geq 4$  neutrino mass states
- ↪ Only 3 active flavors ( LEP precision data )
  - hence **sterile**  $\nu$ 's are required

OR

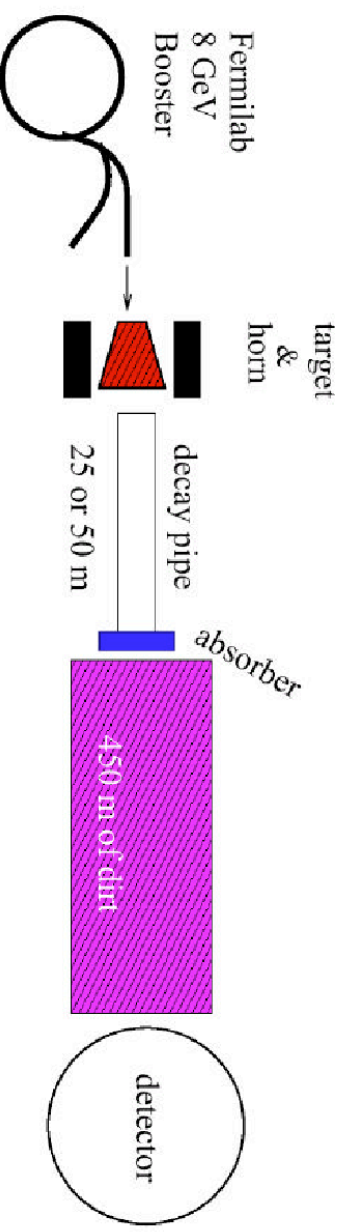
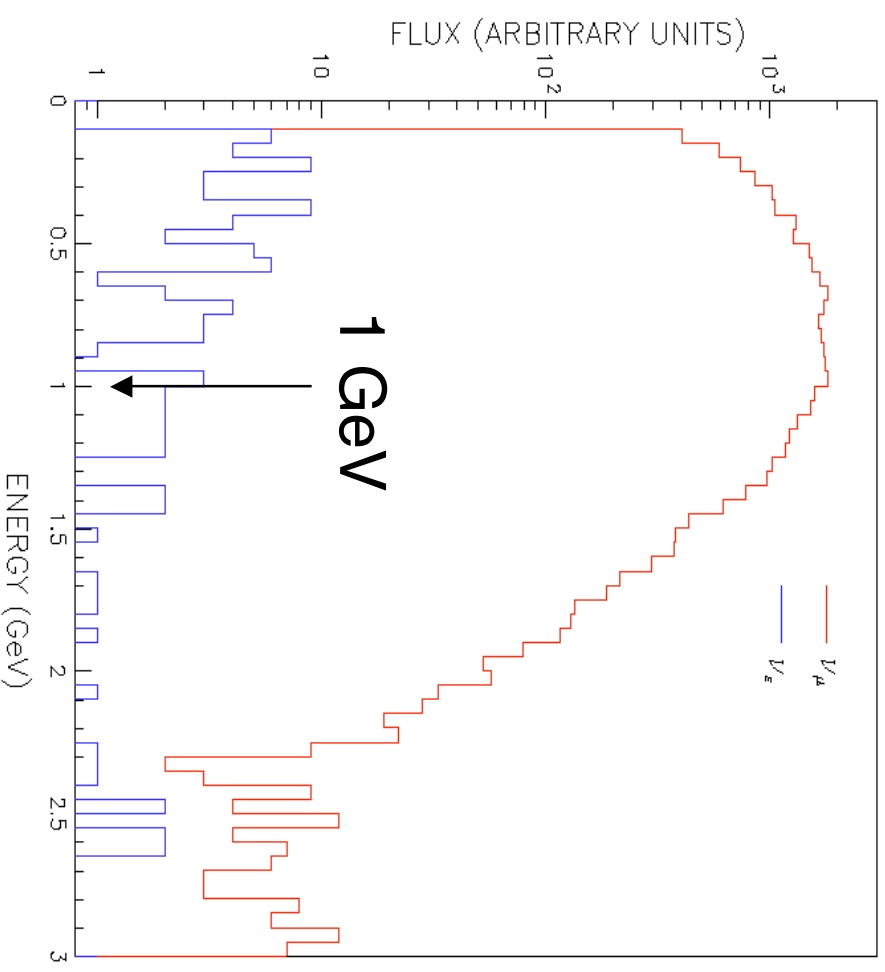
- neutrino  $\neq$  antineutrino

## 2. Or we believe all experiments but not all effects are due to neutrino flavor oscillations (new LFV contact interaction, exotic decays, ...)

## 3. Or we do not believe some experiments...

# The MiniBoone Neutrino Beam

- **8 GeV proton from FNAL Booster**
- Repetition rate: 5 Hz
- **Average neutrino energy 1 GeV**
  - ↳  $L/E_{\text{boone}} \approx L/E_{\text{LSND}} \approx 1 \text{ km/GeV}$
- Intrinsic  $\nu_e$  contamination can be ..
  - ↳ Inferred from  $\mu$  events
  - ↳ Simulated using hadroproduction measurements
- ↳ Measured using muon counters in and around the decay pipe
- ↳ Checked by comparing 50m and 25m absorber results

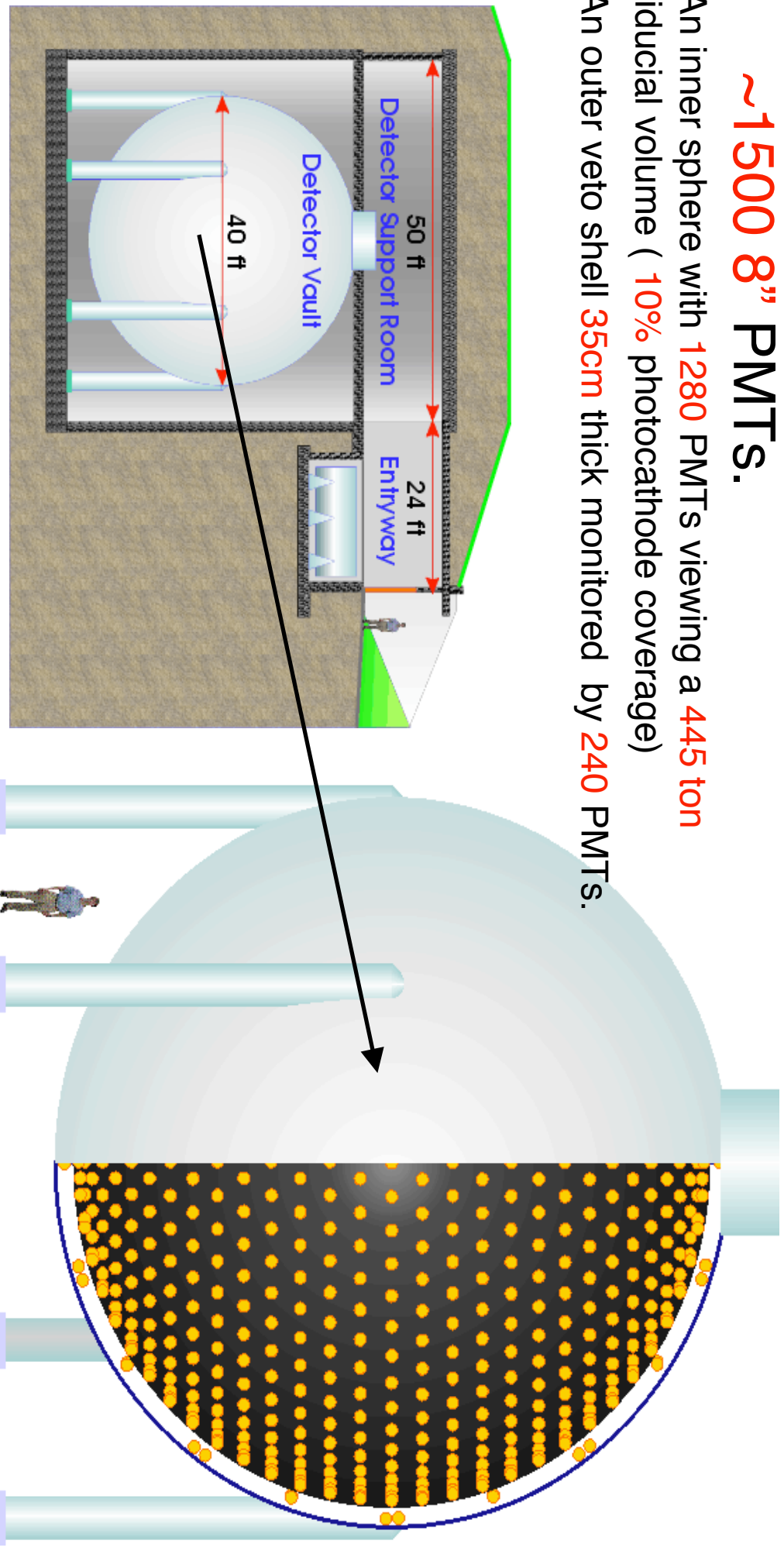


# The MiniBoone Detector

- The detector is a **40ft (12.2m)** diameter sphere filled with **800 tons** of pure mineral oil and instrumented with **~1500 8" PMTs**.

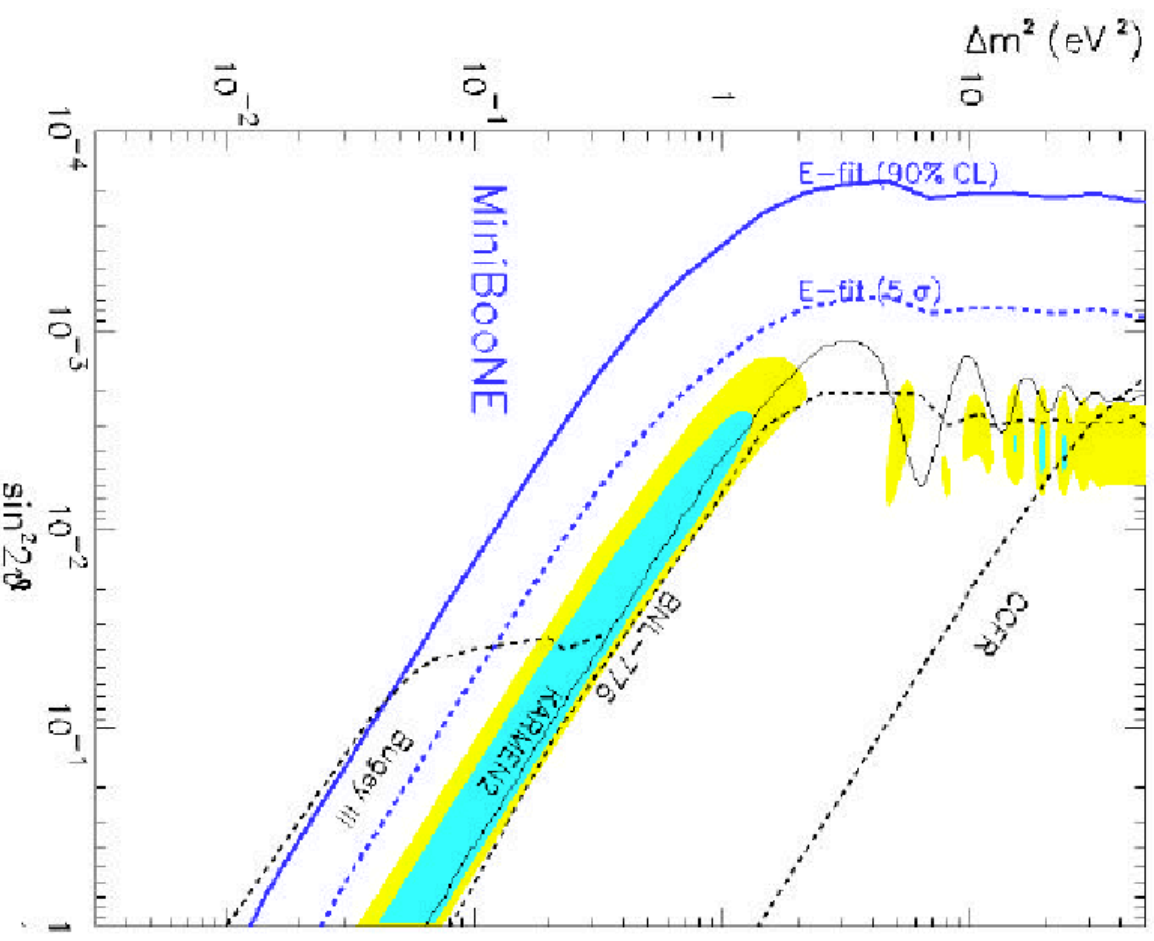
An inner sphere with **1280 PMTs** viewing a **445 ton** fiducial volume ( **10%** photocathode coverage)

An outer veto shell **35cm** thick monitored by **240 PMTs**.



# MiniBoone at FNAL

- Within two years of running, should
  - ↳ **confirm or refute whether LSND excess is due to neutrino flavor oscillations** (if it refutes LSND, it will still not explain the LSND excess !)
- Start physics data taking in June 2002:
  - ↳ All civil construction projects for MiniBoone are essentially complete.
  - ↳ The detector instrumentation is complete and the oil fill is well under way.
  - ↳ MiniBoone is on schedule for taking first data later this summer.
- A fundamental result for the overall understanding of the neutrino data in terms of neutrino oscillations !!!
- In case of positive result from MiniBOONE the roadmap for the future neutrino physics would have to be re-thought !





# Event Reconstruction

- MiniBoONE will reconstruct quasi-elastic  $\bar{\nu}_e$  interactions by identifying the characteristic Cerenkov rings produced by the electrons ...

Pions, ...

short track,  
no multiple  
scattering



From side



Ring

Sharp  
Ring

Electrons:

electrons:  
short track,  
mult. scat.,  
brems.



Fuzzy  
Ring

Muons:

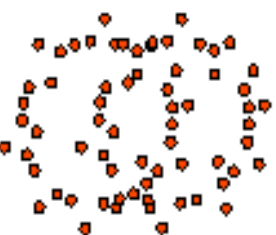
muons:  
long track,  
slows down



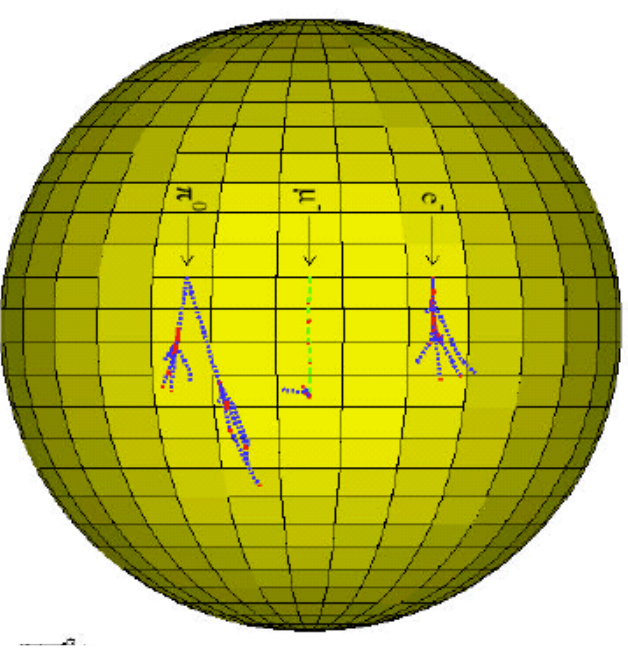
Sharp Outer  
Ring with  
Fuzzy  
Inner  
Region

$\pi^0$ :

neutral pions:  
2 electron-like  
tracks



Two  
Fuzzy  
Rings



# Approximate # of Events after 2 Years

Reaction	# of Events
$\nu_{\mu} C \rightarrow \mu^{-} N^{*}$	<b>500,000</b>
$\nu_{\mu} C \rightarrow \nu_{\mu} \pi^{0} N^{*}$	<b>50,000</b>
$\nu_{\mu} e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu} e$	<b>100</b>

$$\nu_e C \rightarrow e^{-} N^{*}$$

LSND-based $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$	<b>1,000</b>
* Intrinsic $\nu_e$ background	<b>1,500</b>
* $\mu^{-}$ mis-ID background	<b>500</b>
* $\pi^0$ mis-ID background	<b>500</b>

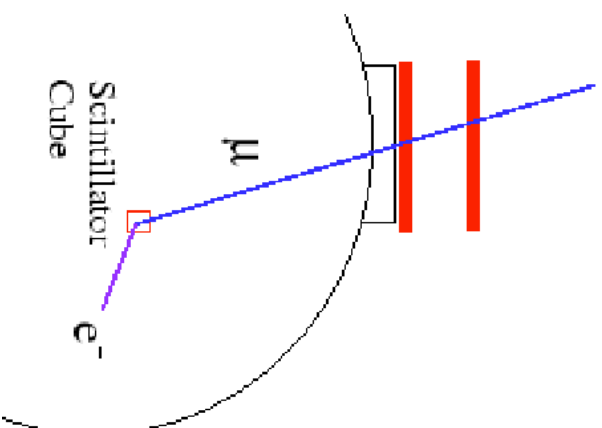
Signal!

Backgrounds!

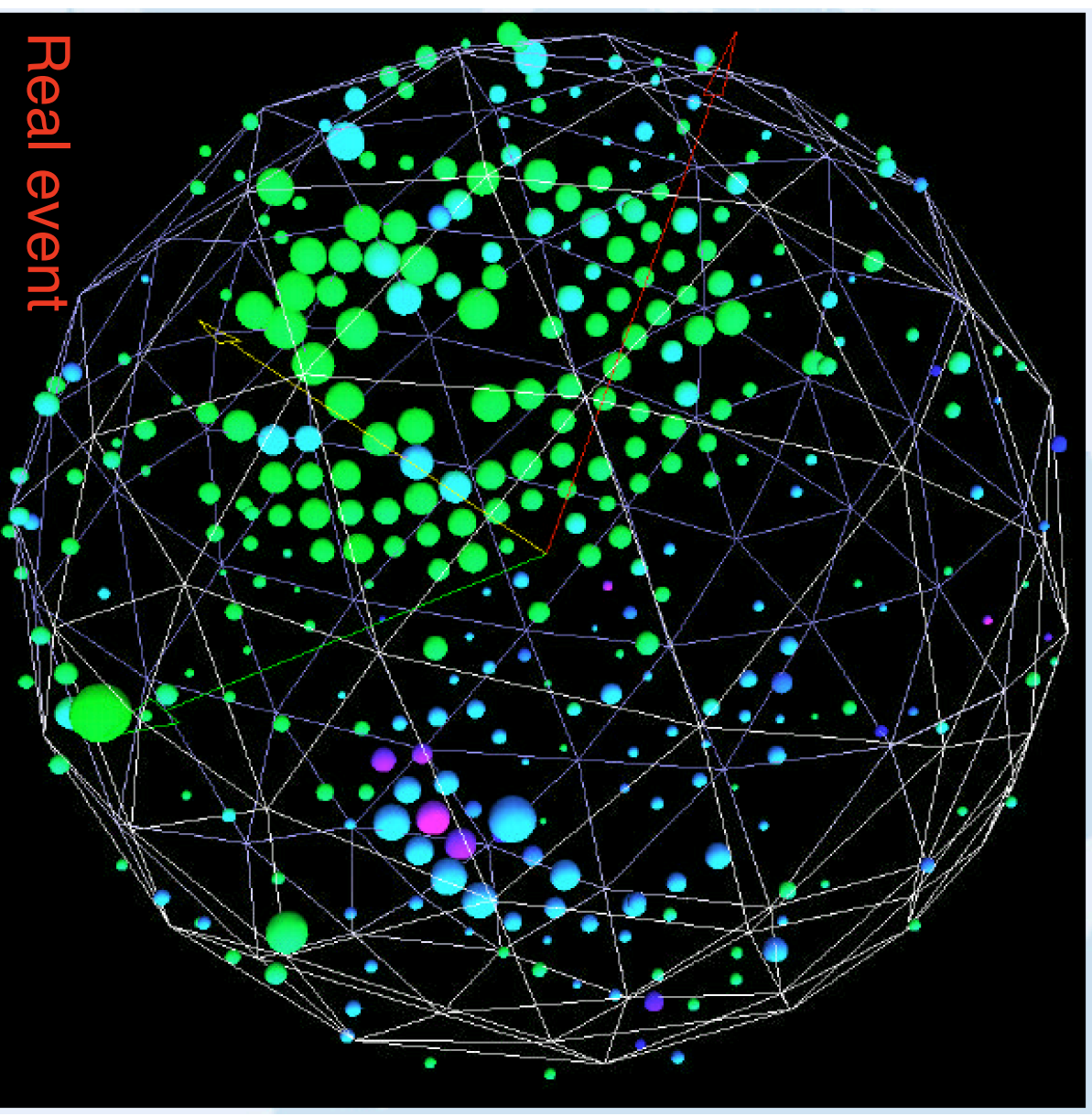
\* we will measure the backgrounds! P. Kasper, NBI 2002

# MiniBoone “calibration $\mu$ tracker”

Scintillator strips to tag cosmic muons

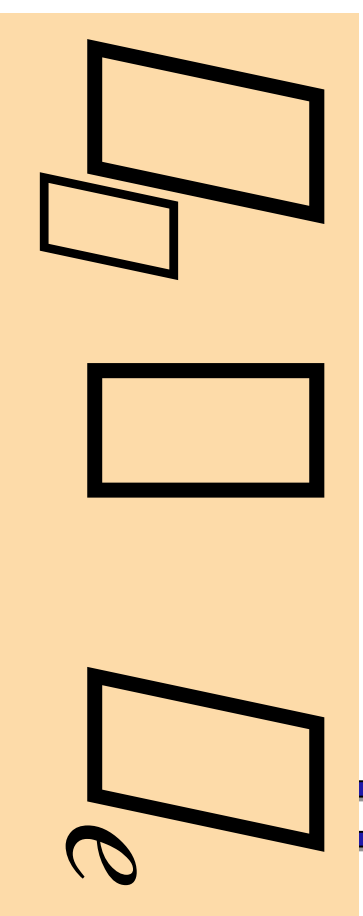


Study stopping muons and Michel electrons



# 5) Search for

## subleading electron neutrino appearance



with

$$\Delta m^2 \ll (1 - \cos 4\theta_{13}) \approx 10^3 \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \neq 0$$

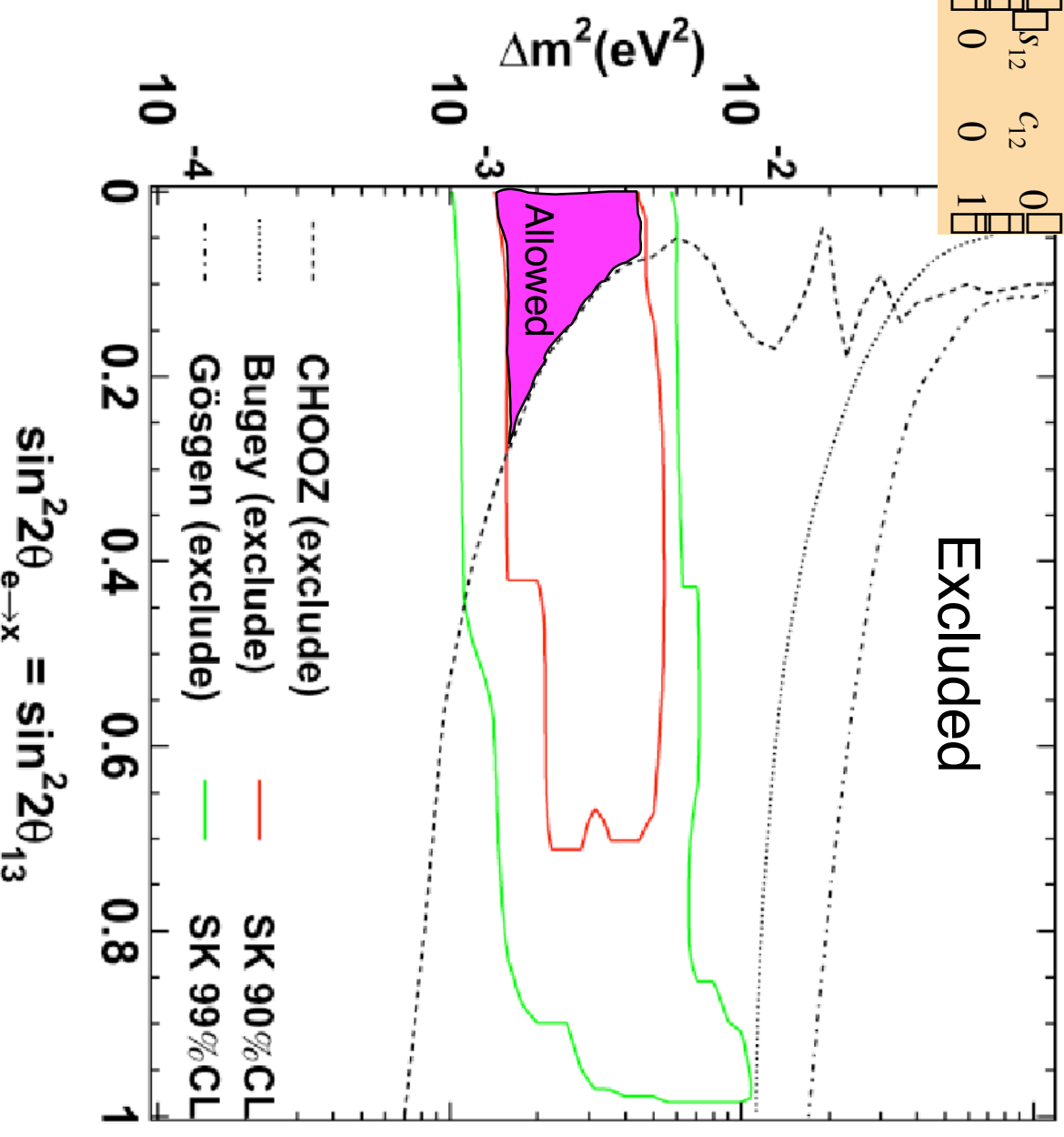
$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2(\Delta m^2_{32} L/4E_\nu)$$

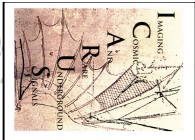
for  $\Delta m^2_{21} (L/4E_\nu) \ll 1$

# Limits on $\theta_{13}$

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

- Knowledge dominated by CHOOZ reactor disappearance experiment
- Knowledge from atmospheric neutrinos limited due to accidental cancellation (flux muon  $\approx 2\times$  flux electron)
- $\theta_{13}$  is crucial to prove the existence of the  $3\times 3$  mixing matrix !!!

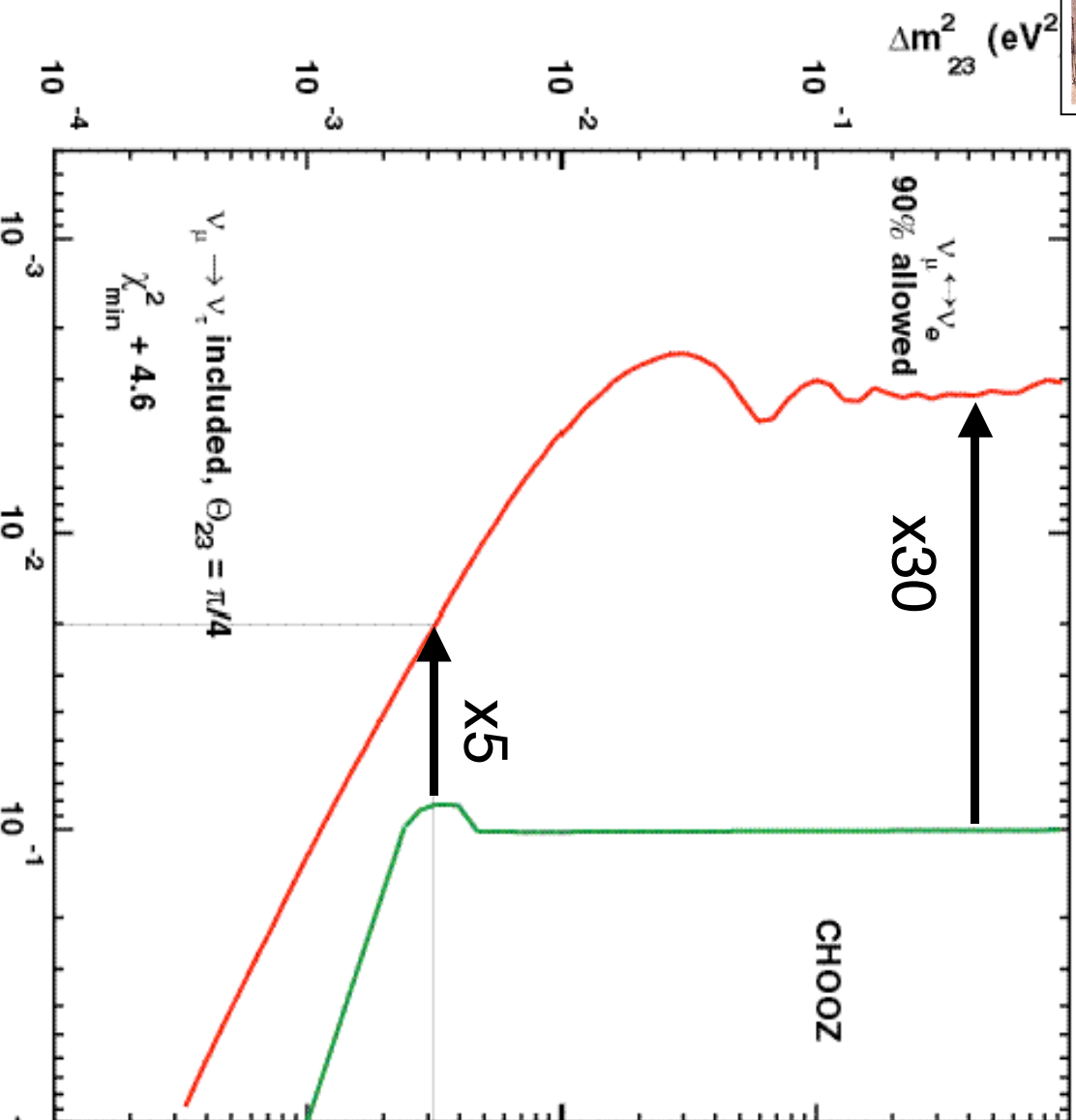




# Expected sensitivity to $\theta_{13}$

**ICARUS**  
**5 years dedicated SPS**  
 2.35 kton fid. mass

Sensitivity assuming  
 both  $\theta_{12}$  and  $\theta_{13}$  and  $\theta_{23}$  fixed  
 at the same  $\Delta m^2$   
 (three family mixing)



Note: LOG-scale !!

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 2 \times 10^{\Delta} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\text{for } \Delta m_{32}^2 = 3 \times 10^{\Delta} \text{ eV}^2$$

# Search for $\theta_{13} > 0$

$$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2; \sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1$$

5 years dedicated SPS  
2.35 kton fid. mass

Cuts: Fiducial,  $E_e > 1 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_{\text{vis}} < 20 \text{ GeV}$

$$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2, \theta_{23} = 45^\circ$$

$\theta_{13}$ (degrees)	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$	$\nu_e$ CC	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ $\tau \rightarrow e$	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$	Total	Statistical significance
9	0.095	79	74	84	237	6.8 $\sigma$
8	0.076	79	75	67	221	5.4 $\sigma$
7	0.058	79	76	51	206	4.1 $\sigma$
5	0.030	79	77	26	182	2.1 $\sigma$
3	0.011	79	77	10	166	0.8 $\sigma$

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu) = \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \theta_{32}^2$$

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \theta_{32}^2$$

$$\theta_{32}^2, \theta_{23}, \theta_{13}$$

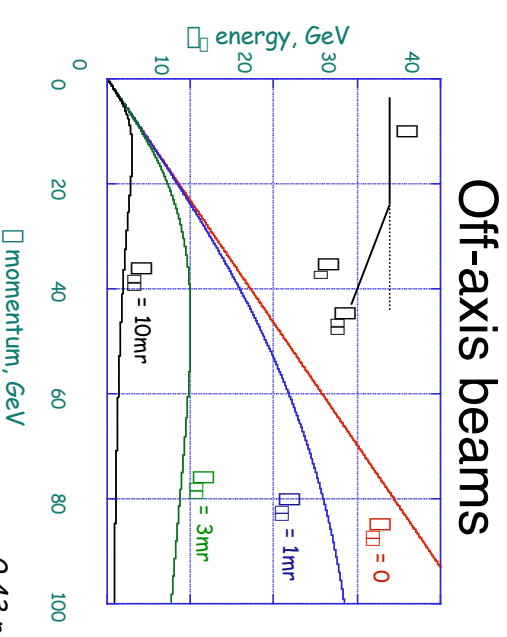
# Supercollider Neutrinos and Neutrino factories

The knowledge of  $\theta_{13}$  is crucial to know if the  $\theta$  phase (CP/T violation) could be observable !



Phase-I (0.77MW + Super-K)

Phase-II (4MW+Hyper-K) ~ Phase-I x 200



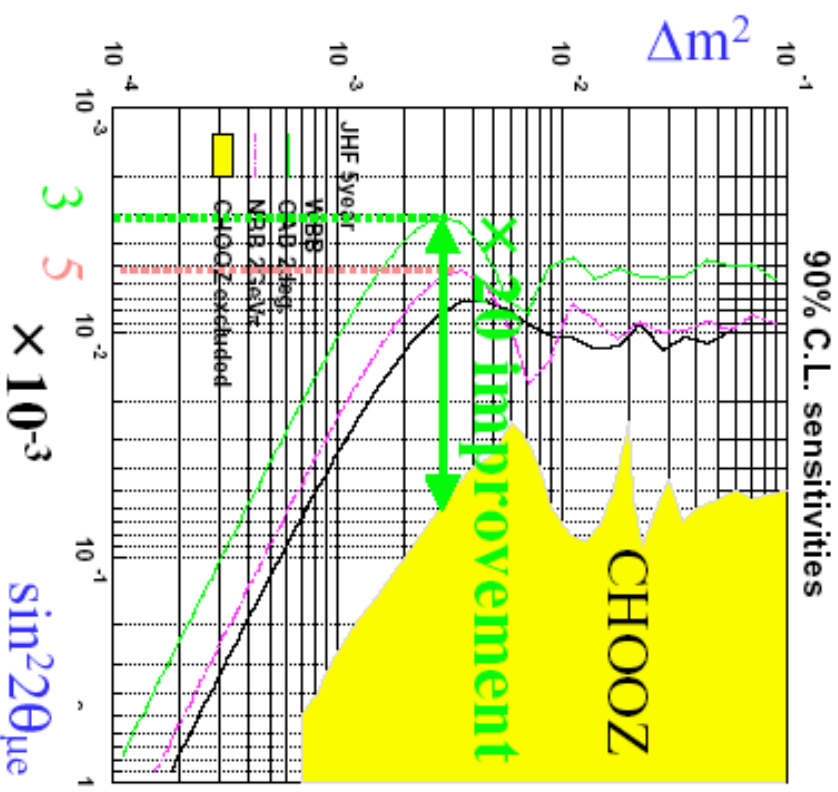
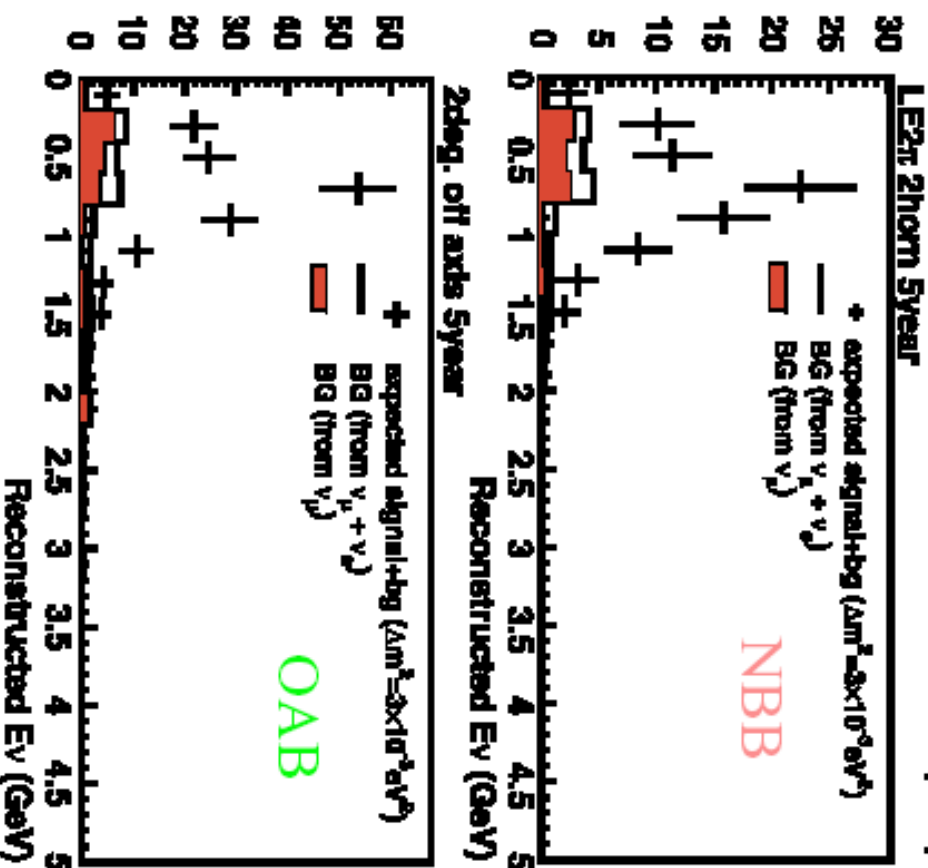
$$E_{\square} = \frac{0.43 p_{\square}}{1+(\square p_{\square})^2}$$



# $\nu_e$ appearance

Background rejection against NC  $\pi^0$  is improved.

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} = 0.05 \quad (\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} \equiv 0.5 \sin^2 2\theta_{13})$$



$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 6 \times 10^{-3}$$

Ph2me, Ph2he<sup>17</sup>  
 A.Para, hep-ph/0005012)

Nakaya, NUFACT01

## Conclusions: The roadmap

- The 80-90's have seen a renaissance of neutrino physics.
  - ↳ Two surprises: neutrino masses and neutrino mixing
  - ↳ This is “new physics beyond the SM”
- A broad experimental has been triggered by those hints in order to
  - ↳ Cross-check the evidences, certify the neutrino flavor patterns and to measure the oscillation parameters more precisely
- After the current round of running or planned experiments, two very important parameters of the **neutrino mixing will still have to be measured!**
  - ↳  $\theta_{13}$  and the  $\theta_{12}$ -phase
  - ↳ A program for >2010's and beyond
- In case of positive result from MiniBOONE the roadmap for the future would have to be re-thought!