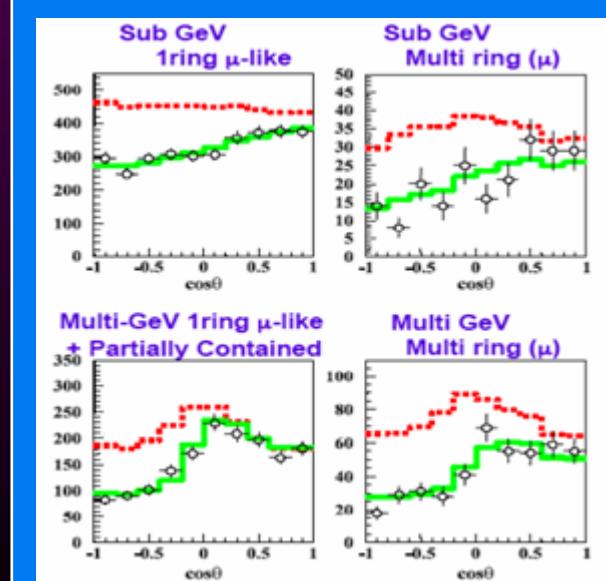
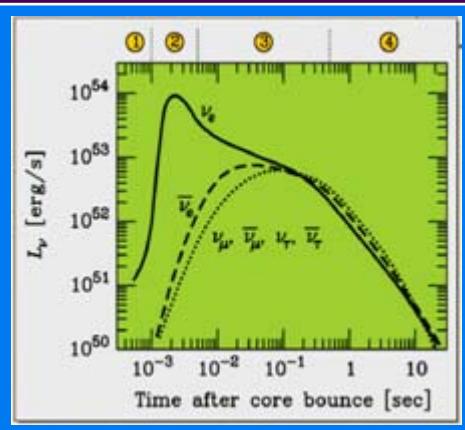
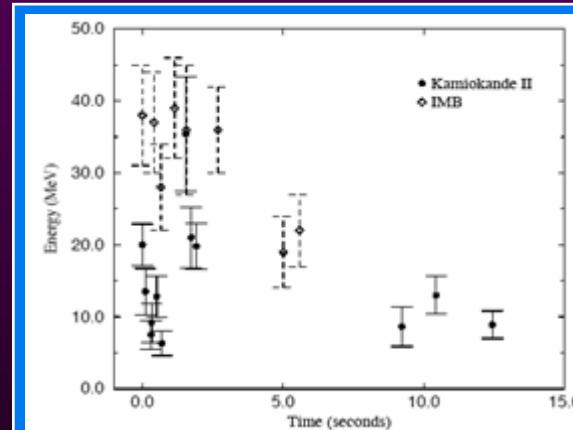
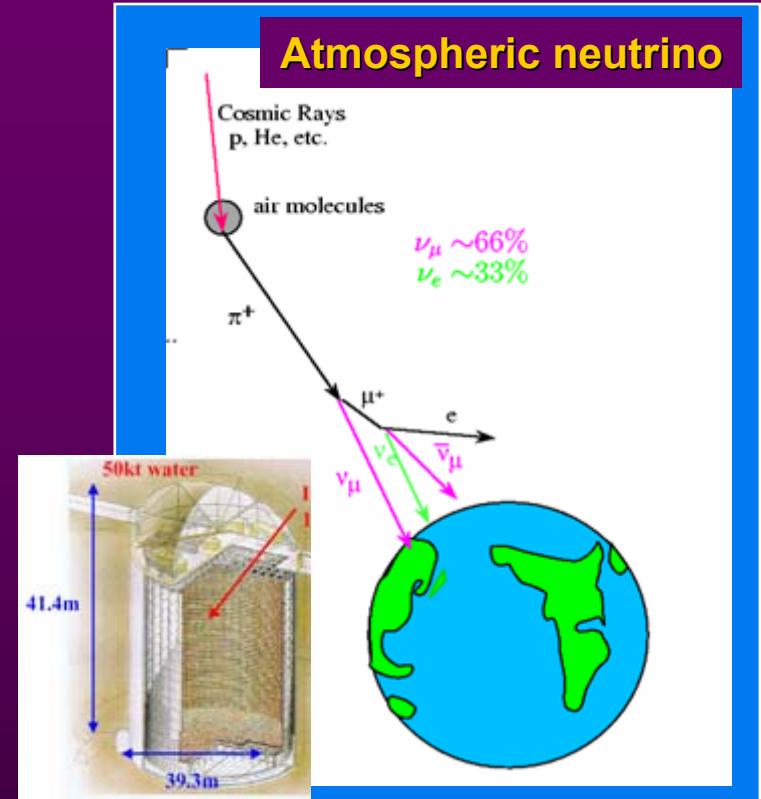
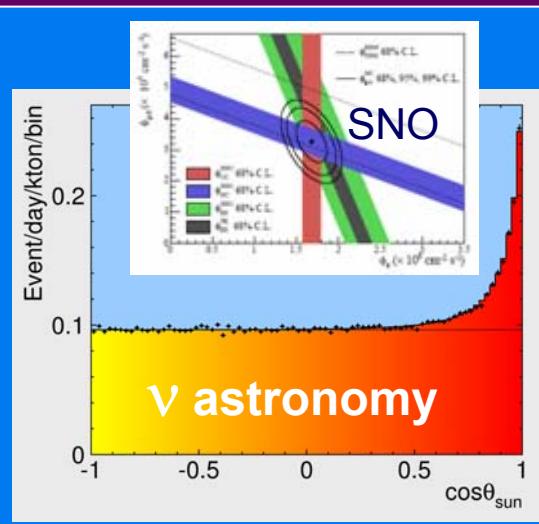
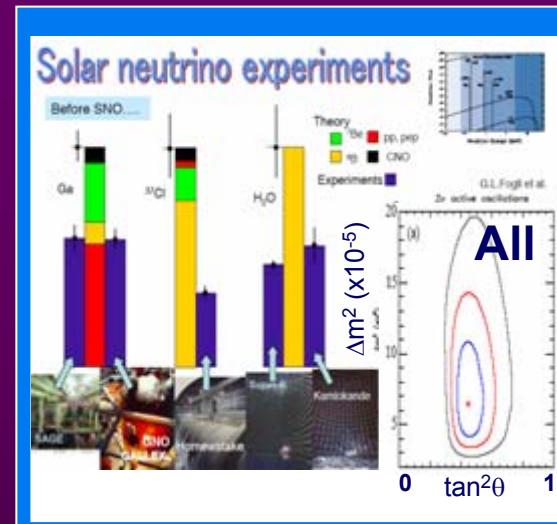




MEgaton Mass PHYSics

JE Campagne LAL-Orsay (Munich 3Liquids meeting 24/4/06)

But past success of the field...



- Solar neutrino anomaly solved
- Detection of SN-1987A (Nobel Koshiba)
- Discovery of atm neutrino oscillations

The need for new generation experiments...

Still many important issues...

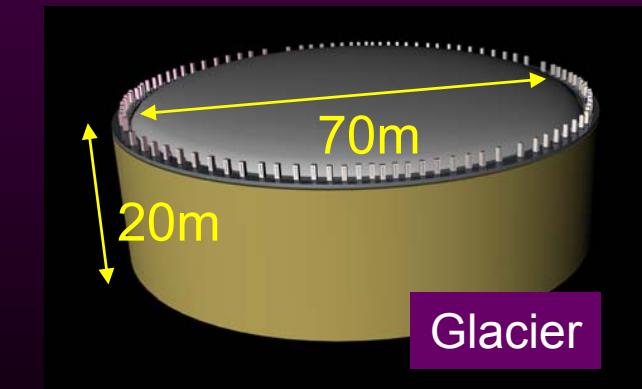
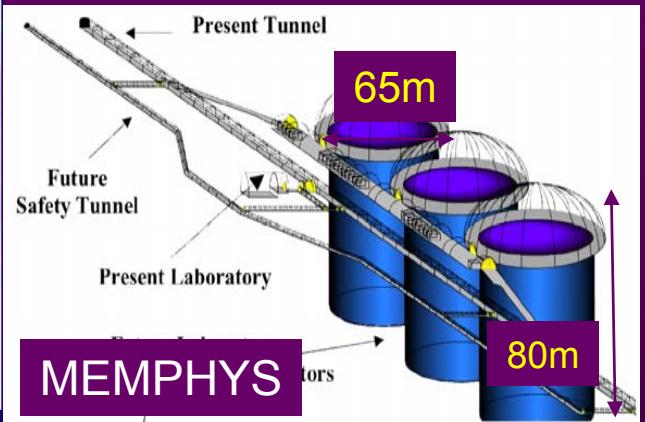
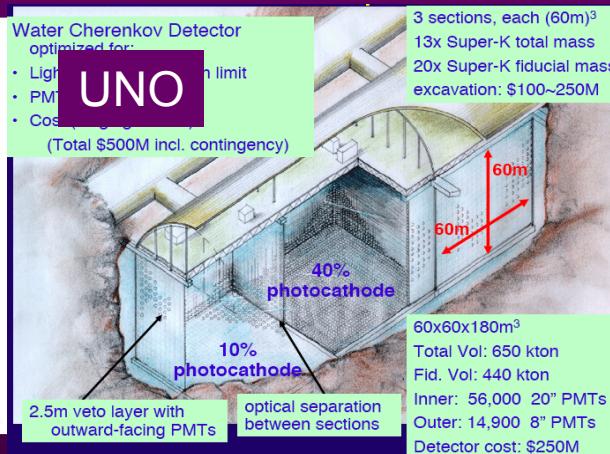
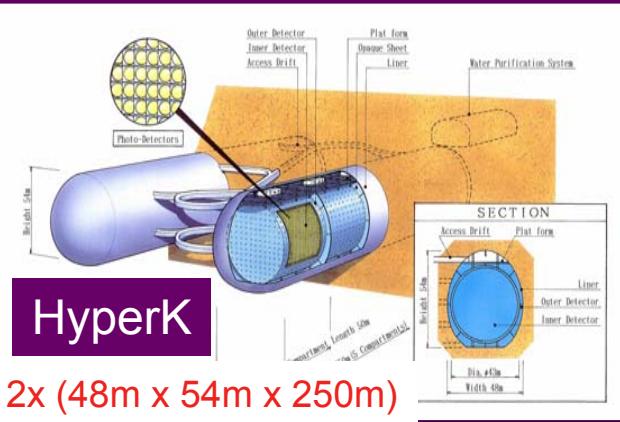


- **Baryon number violation**
 - **Astroparticle physics**
 - Understand gravitational collapse
 - Star formation in the early universe
 - Explore violent phenomena in the universe
 - Dark matter and astrophysical sources
 - **Neutrino properties**
 - **Solar thermonuclear fusion processes**
 - **Geophysical models, Earth density profile**
- Proton decay
- Galactic SN ν
- Diffuse SN ν
- Trigger SN ν ,
- Incoming muons
- LBL - ν , Atm. - ν , SN - ν ,
- Solar - ν
- Geo - ν , U, Th - ν

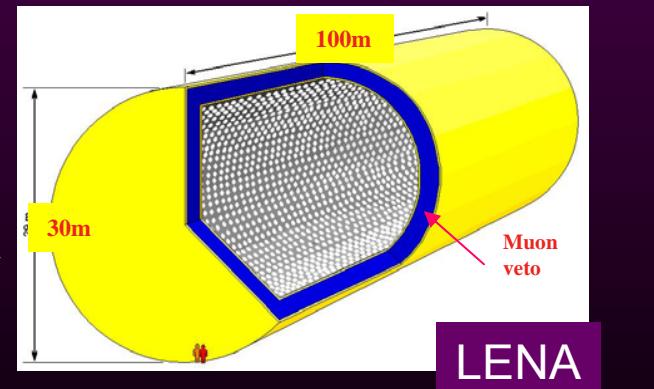
NNN Workshops

Aussois 05, Seattle 06, Hamamatsu 07

Water Cerenkov $500\text{kT} \rightarrow 1\text{Mt}$



Liq. Scintillator
 $\rightarrow 50\text{kT}$



Mton Water Čerenkov

- ✿ Concept of a Mton water Cherenkov detector dates back to 1992
 - M. Koshiba: “DOUGHNUTS” Phys. Rep. 220 (1992) 229 HyperK
- ✿ Concept of Hyper-Kamiokande was first presented at NNN99
 - K. Nakamura, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A18 (2003) 4053
- ✿ American concept UNO in NNN99:
 - C.K. Jung, “Feasibility of a next generation underground water Cherenkov detector **UNO**”, arXiv:hep-ex/0005046
- ✿ Similar European project in 2005:
 - A. de Bellefon et al: “**MEMPHYS** a large scale water Čerenkov detector at Frejus”, Contribution to the CERN Strategic Group



**Well-proven technology (IMB, K, SK) for large scale
however currently no wide expertise in Europe**

Ex: MEMPHYS 1 shaft

About 170 g/cm^3 in $350 < \lambda < 500 \text{ nm}$

With 81,000 PMT (12") 30% coverage, Q.E. $\approx 24\%$, CE $\sim 70\%$
(\Leftrightarrow 20" PMT 40% cov., Q.E. $\approx 20\%$, CE $\sim 60\%$)

Relativistic particle produces

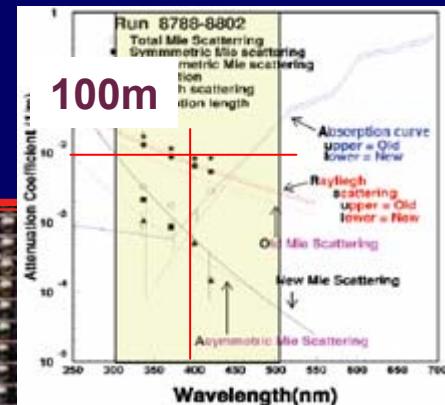
$$\Rightarrow \approx 14 \text{ p.e / cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \approx 6 \text{ p.e / MeV (SK-I)}$$

Volume total **x4 SK**

Fiduciel: 145kT

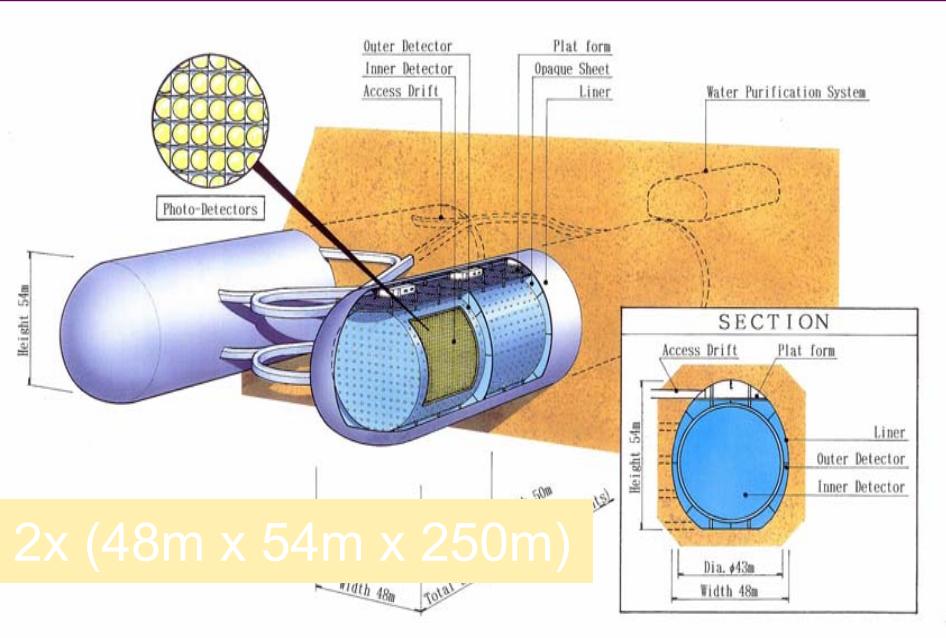
17535m² surface PMT



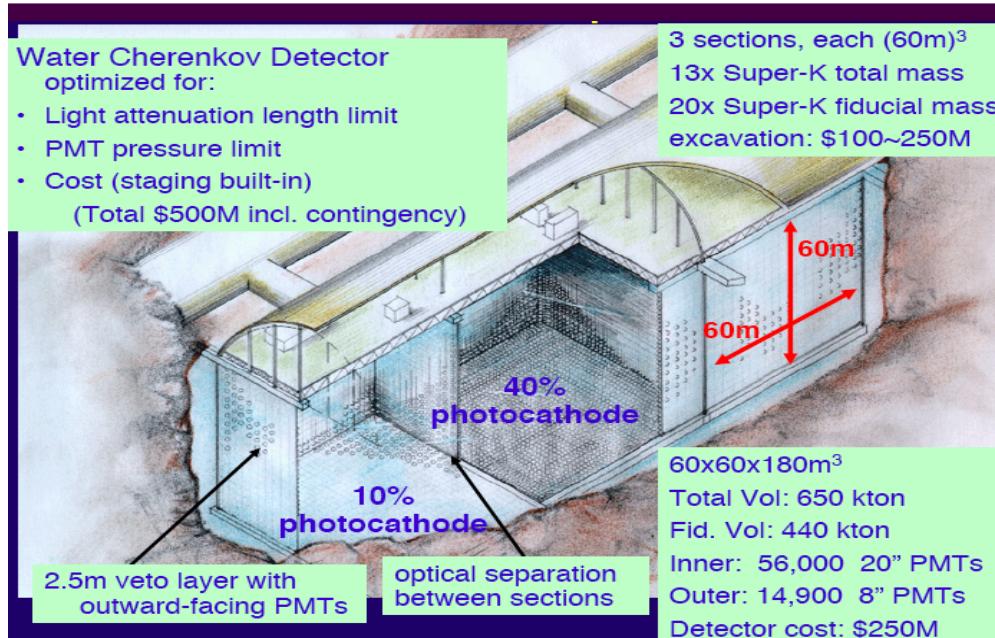
- ✿ $GdCl_3$ highly water soluble but acid
- ✿ Neutron capture on Gd emits a 8.0 MeV γ
- ✿ 100 tons of $GdCl_3$ in SK-III (0.2% by mass) would yield $>90\%$ neutron captures on Gd
- ✿ **Test currently on the K2K 1kT prototype**
- ✿ **A lot of Physics Potential depend from that!!!**

The Japanese and US projects: HK and UNO

(strong collaboration between the 3 WC projects in NNN and beyond)



- Toshiba Mine (900 mwe)
- FV 540 ktons
- Cavern study performed
- Photodetector R&D on-going
- Long baseline T2K superbeam (CP-violation)
- Decision following results from T2K-Phase 1 (2013-2022 ?)
- 2nd location in Korea ?

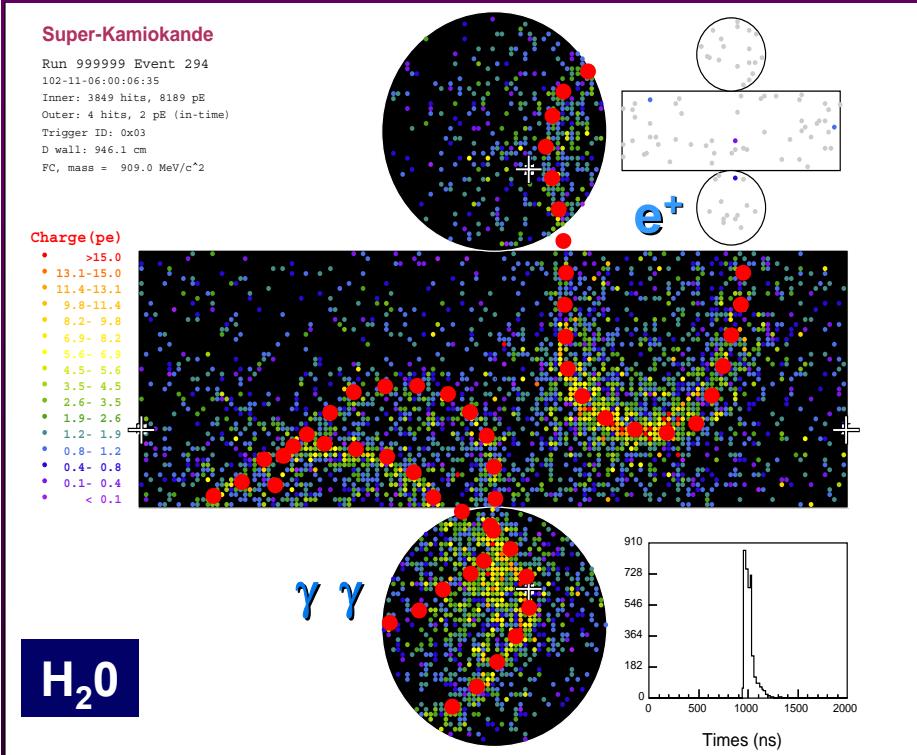


- Henderson Mine (4000 mwe, one of the 2 DUSEL sites)
- FV 440 ktons
- Cavern study to be done
- Photodetector R&D on-going
- Long baseline from BNL
- In the NSF process

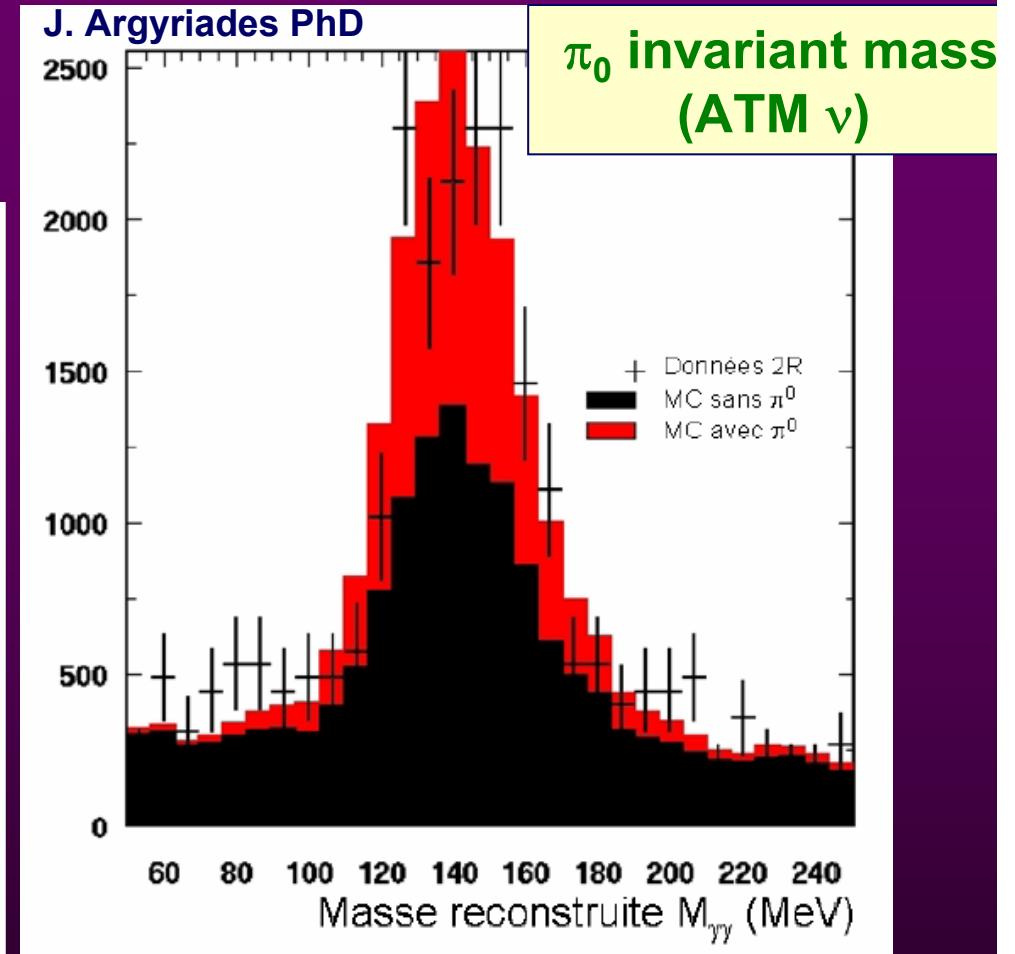
Summary of WC in the world (LAL-06-22)

	UNO (USA)	HK (Japon)	MEMPHYS (EU)
Laboratory			
location	Henderson/Homestake	Tochibora	Fréjus
prof. Mwe	4500/4800	1500	4800
LBL(km)	1480÷2760/1280÷2530	290	130
Dimensions			
type	3 cubes	2 tunnels de 5 compartments	3 to 5 shafts
dimension	60x60x60m ³	φ:43m x L:50m	φ:65m x L:65m
M fid. Kt	440	550	440 à 730
Photodetectors			
type	20" PMT	20" H(A)PD	12" PMT
#	38000 (middle) 2 x 9500 (side)	20,000 per compartment	81,000 per shaft
Couverage	40%/10% (middle/side)	40%	30%
Estimate Cost		50% excavation + 50% Photodetection	
	500M\$	500 Oku ¥	161M€ x #shafts +100M€ infra.

Imaging capability...



1-ring vertex ~10cm
Ring-direction ~ 1°
 $\sigma_E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E}$ (45% Solar ν)
Absolute E scale @ 3%

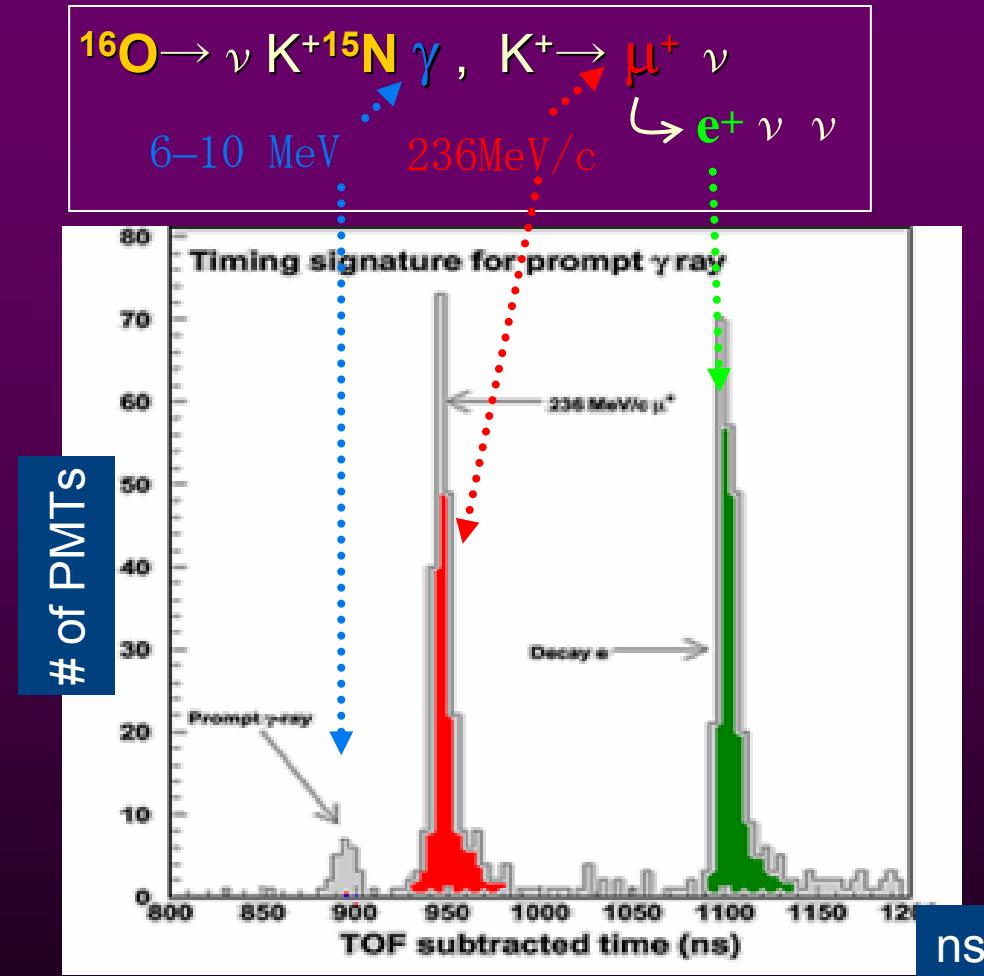


Cerenkov threshold:

~1.07GeV:p, ~570MeV: K $^\pm$,
~120MeV: μ^\pm , ~0.6MeV:e $^\pm$

Lowest trigger threshold: 5MeV
(trig. rate x10 every MeV due to ambient radioactivity)

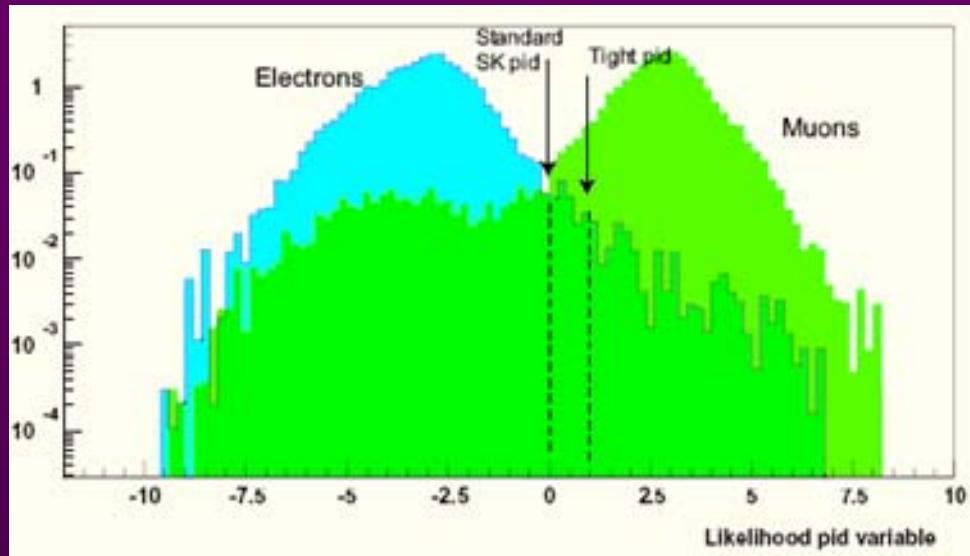
Timing capability: an example for $p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}$



Autotrigger capability

The first use of the PMT timing is the approximate vertex determination

Particle Id.



1% 1-ring $\mu \rightarrow e$
10% 1-ring $e \rightarrow \mu$

$$\mathcal{P}^{angle}(e \text{ ou } \mu) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta^c - \theta^{att}(e \text{ ou } \mu)}{\delta\theta} \right)^2}$$

Compare the expected and measured Cerenkov angle

$$\mathcal{P}_n^{pattern}(e \text{ ou } \mu) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\chi^2(e \text{ ou } \mu) - \chi^2_{min}}{\sigma_{\chi_n^2}} \right)^2}$$

Compare the expected and measured charge of i th PMT from the n th ring

$$\mathcal{L}_n(e \text{ ou } \mu) = \prod_{\theta_i < 1.5 \theta^c} \text{prob} \left[q_i^{obs}, q_{i,n}^{att}(e \text{ ou } \mu) \right] + \sum_{n' \neq n} q_{i,n'}^{att}$$



Proton decay

An Upper Bound exists coming from the GAUGE sector (d=6)
Independant model I. Dorsner, P. F. Perez PLB 625 (05) 88

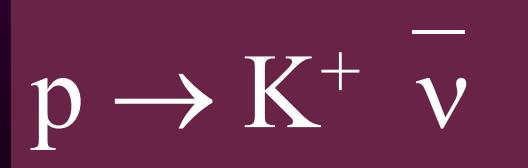
$$\tau_p^M \leq 6.0 \times 10^{39} \frac{(M_X/10^{16} \text{ GeV})^4}{\alpha_{GUT}^2} (0.003 \text{ GeV}^3/\alpha)^2 \text{ years}$$

$$\tau_p^D \leq 1.4 \times 10^{37} \frac{(M_X/10^{16} \text{ GeV})^4}{\alpha_{GUT}^2} (0.003 \text{ GeV}^3/\alpha)^2 \text{ years}$$

Specific model gives faster decay rates...

It is quite difficult and unnatural to set to 0 all the decay channels simultaneously

$\bar{\nu} + \text{meson} \leftrightarrow \text{charged lepton} + \text{meson}$

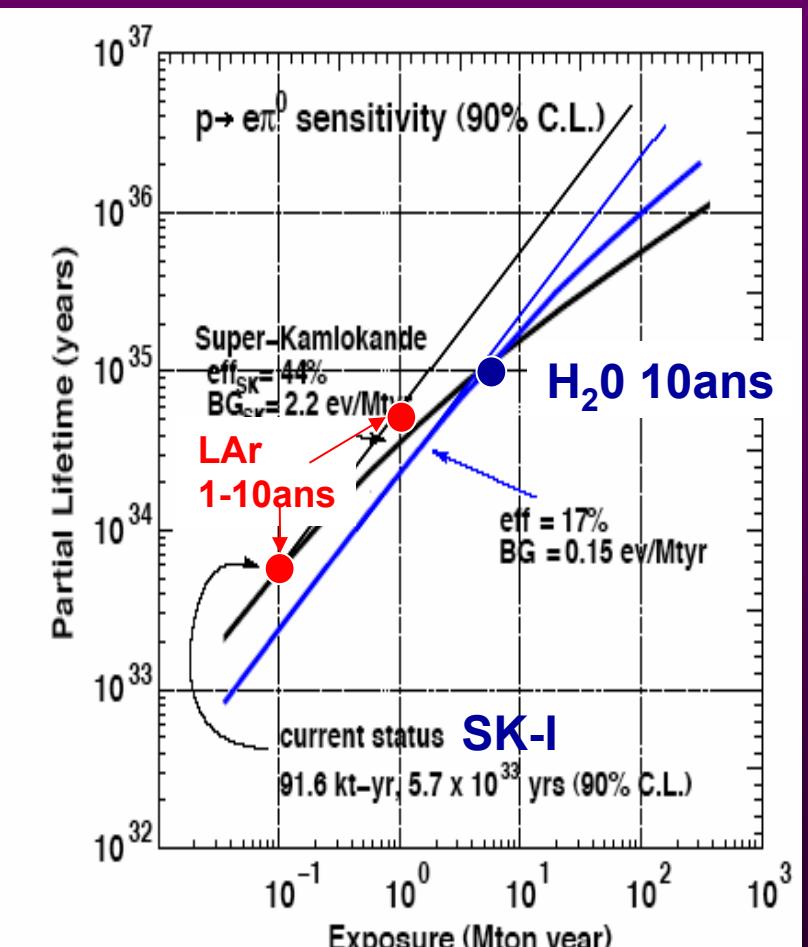
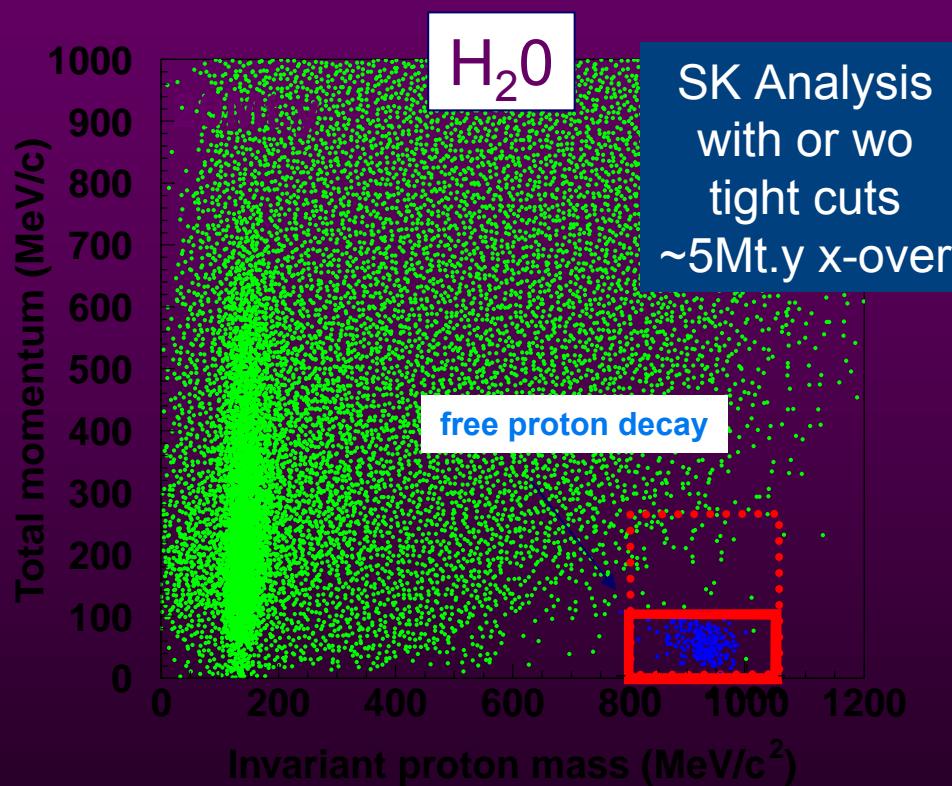


Some recent models predictions

Model	Decay modes	Prediction	References
Georgi-Glashow model	-	ruled out	[8]
Minimal realistic non-SUSY $SU(5)$	all channels	$\tau_p^{upper} = 1.4 \times 10^{36}$	[9]
Two Step Non-SUSY $SO(10)$	$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$	$\approx 10^{33-38}$	[10]
Minimal SUSY $SU(5)$	$p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$	$\approx 10^{32-34}$	[11]
SUSY $SO(10)$ with 10_H , and 126_H	$p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} K^+$	$\approx 10^{33-36}$	[12]
M-Theory(G_2)	$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$	$\approx 10^{33-37}$	[13]

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$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$



$$p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}$$

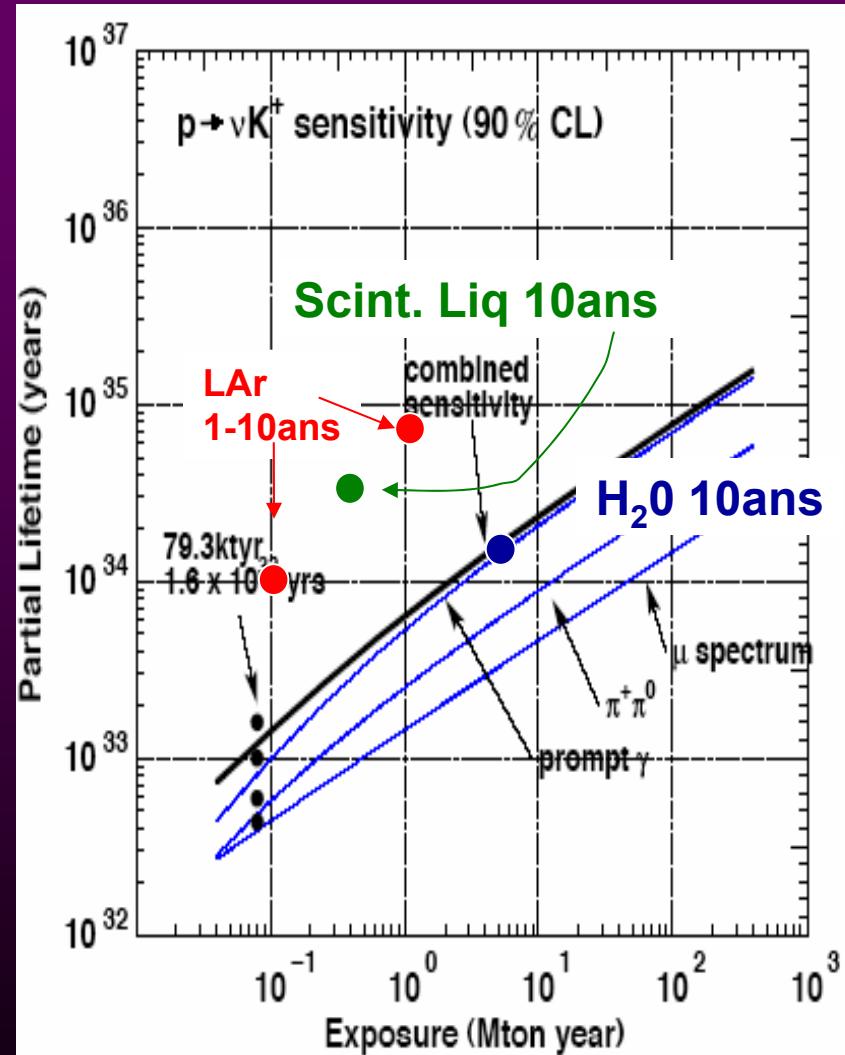
H_2O : K^+ below Č threshold

Imaging/Timing

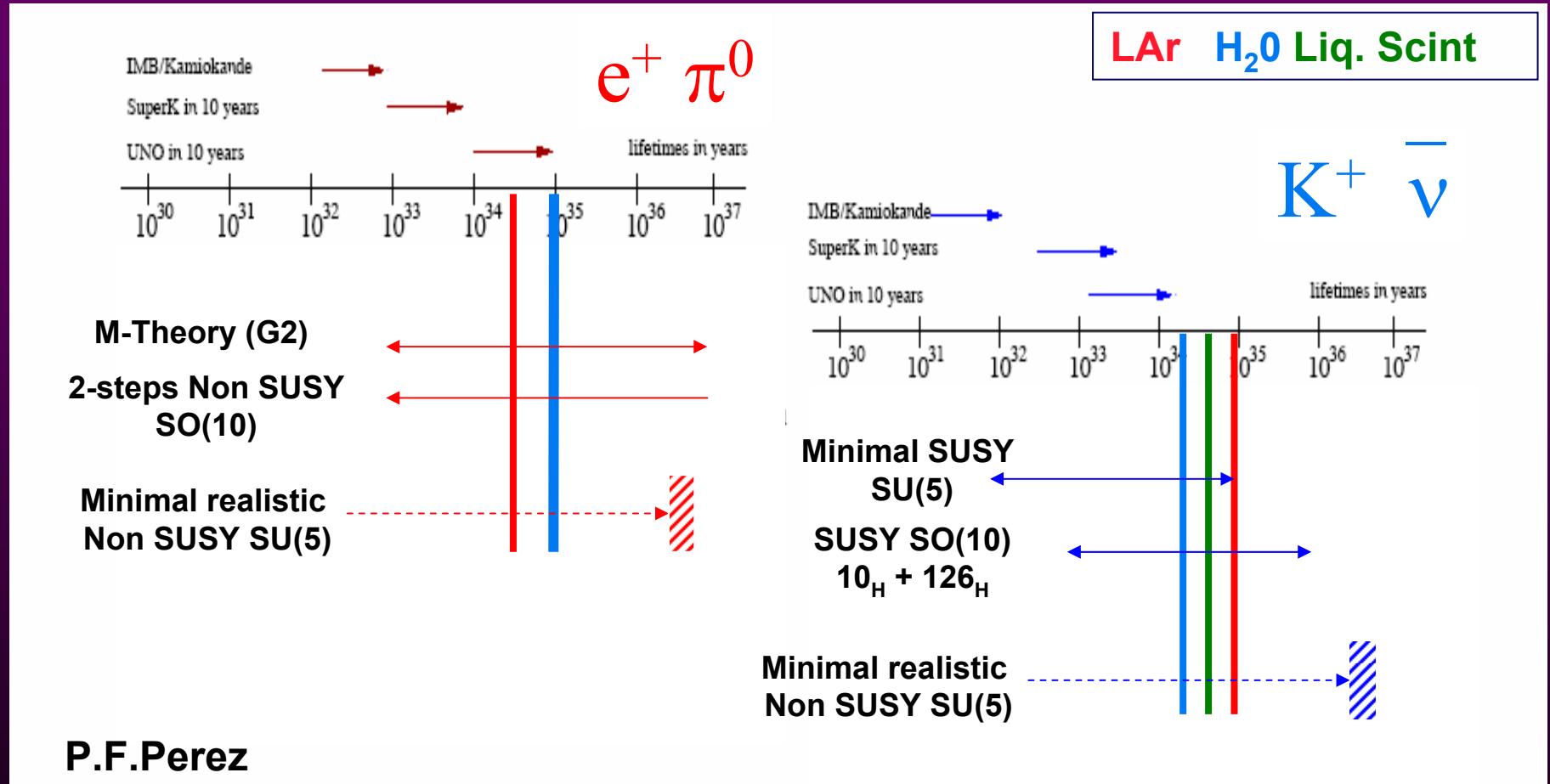
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0; \mu^+\nu$ avec ou sans ^{15}O
 $\rightarrow ^{15}N \gamma$ prompt (6MeV) tag

	ε	Bkgd
H_2O (*)	8.6%	$3/Mt.y$
Scint. Liq.	65%	$<1/Mt.y$
LAr	97%	$<1/Mt.y$

*: SK analysis



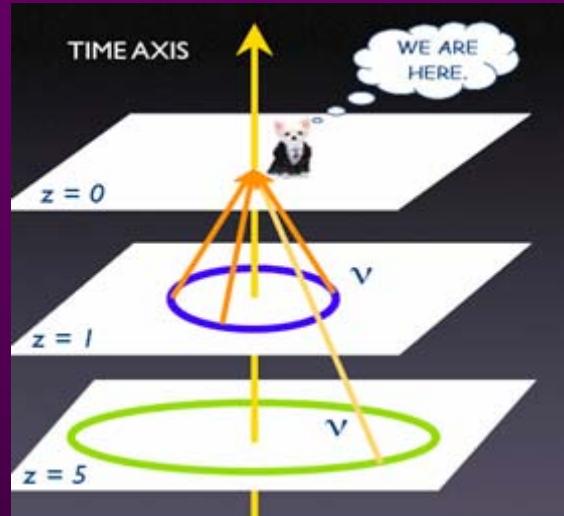
Summary of proton decay



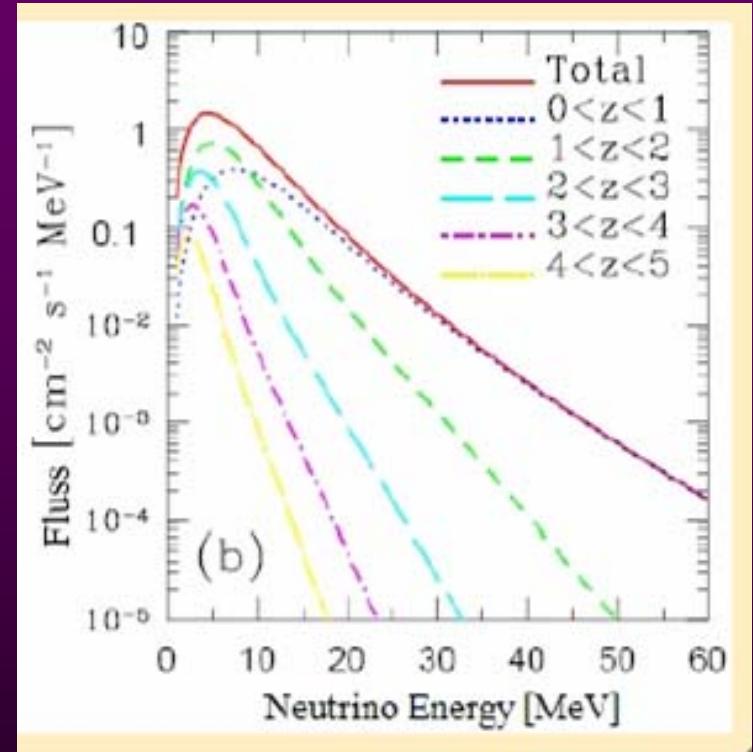
Definitively not exhaustive neither p channels nor n decay...



Diffuse SN

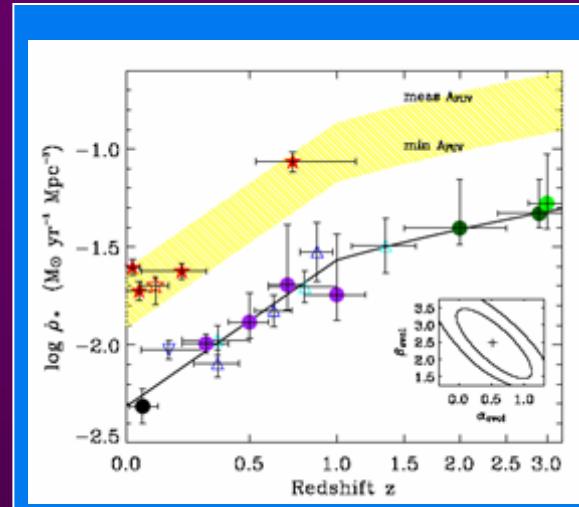


Detection of $\text{SN}\nu$ with $z \lesssim 1$



Flux \propto all $\text{SN}(z)$ in particular those which produce a Black hole

Current limit close to a detection?



Star Formation
GALEX
 $(1+z)^{2.5} \ z < 1$
 $(1+z)^{0.5} \ z > 1$

Astrophys.J. 619 (2005) L47

Supernova

$$\frac{dN_\nu}{dE_\nu} \propto \frac{E_\nu^2}{\exp(E_\nu/T_\nu - \eta) + 1},$$

$$T_{\nu_e} = 3 \text{ MeV},$$

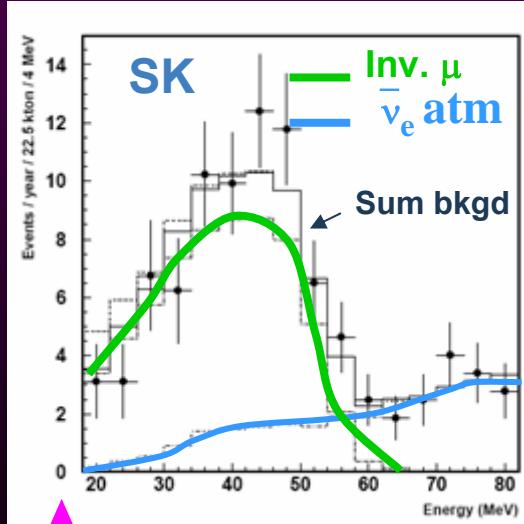
$$T_{\bar{\nu}_e} = 5 \text{ MeV},$$

$$T_{\nu_x} = 8 \text{ MeV}$$

$E_\nu > 11.3 \text{ MeV}$	$E_\nu > 19.3 \text{ MeV}$
$5.1 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$	$1.2 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

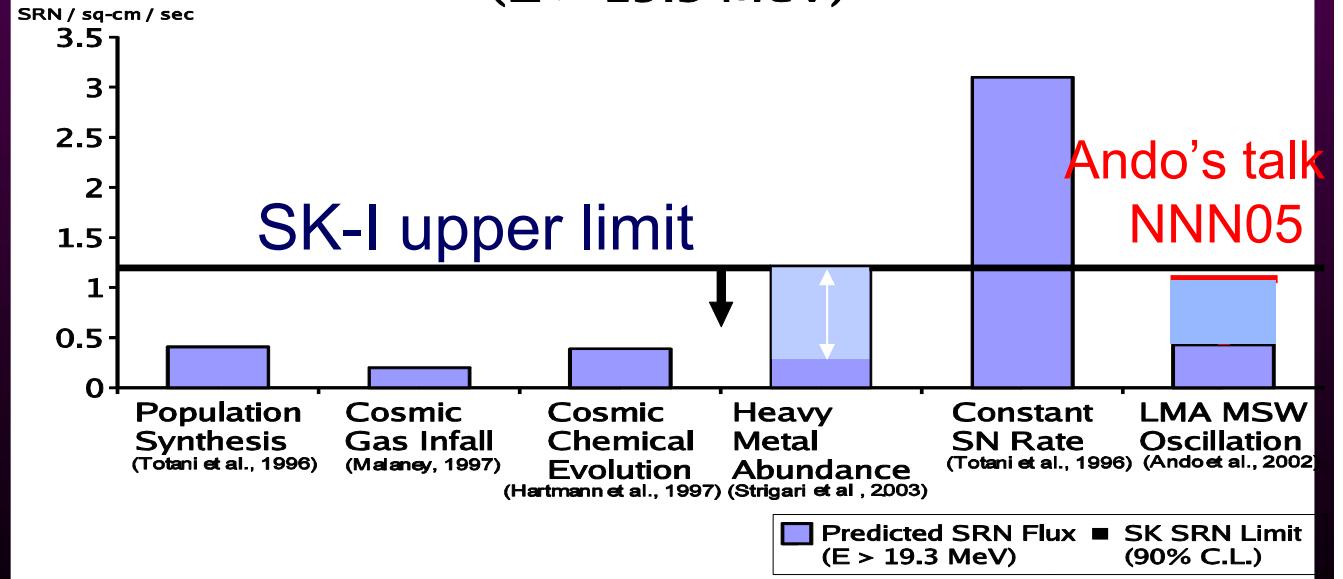
The oscillations (LMA) tend to increase the flux above $E > 30 \text{ MeV}$

Phys. Rev. Lett 90, 061101 (2003)



Reacteur + Sun

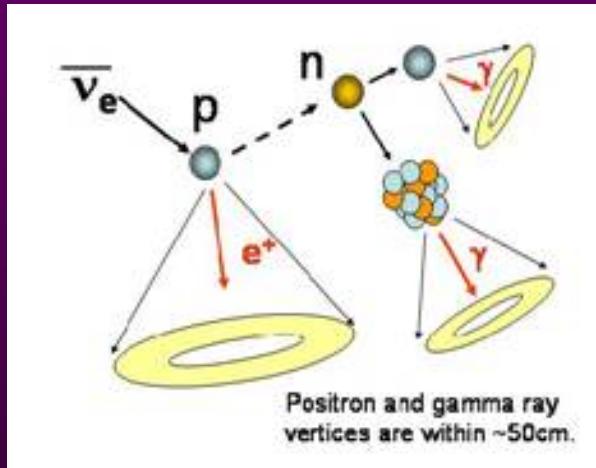
SK SRN Flux Limits vs. Theoretical Predictions ($E > 19.3 \text{ MeV}$)



Futur: $\bar{\nu}_e$ & ν_e complementarity

$\bar{\nu}_e$

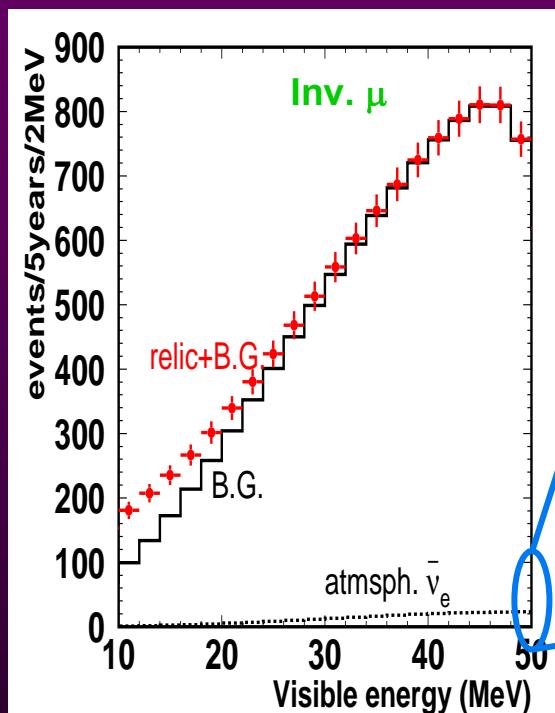
$H_2O + \text{neutron capture}$
30% PMT coverage



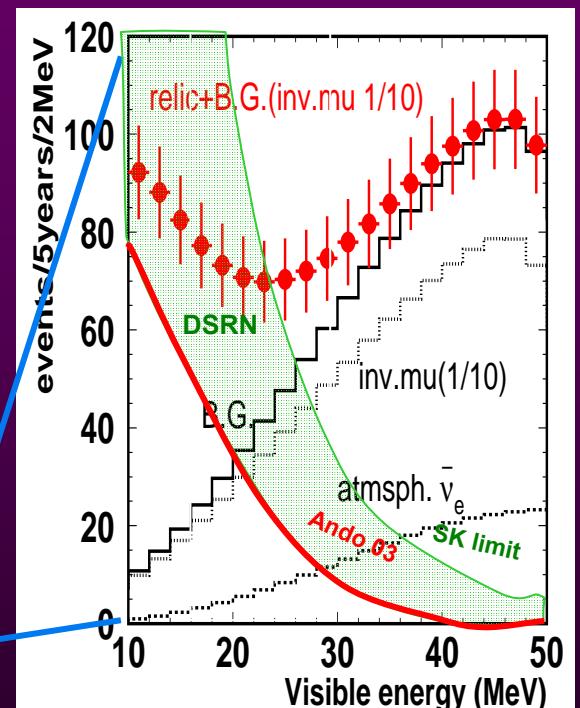
$$\Delta T(p: 2\text{MeV } \gamma) = \sim 200 \mu\text{s}$$

$$\Delta T(\text{Gd}: 8\text{MeV } \gamma) = \text{few } 10^{\text{th}} \mu\text{s}$$

No n-tagging



With n-tagging



Nakahata+Vagins @ NNN05

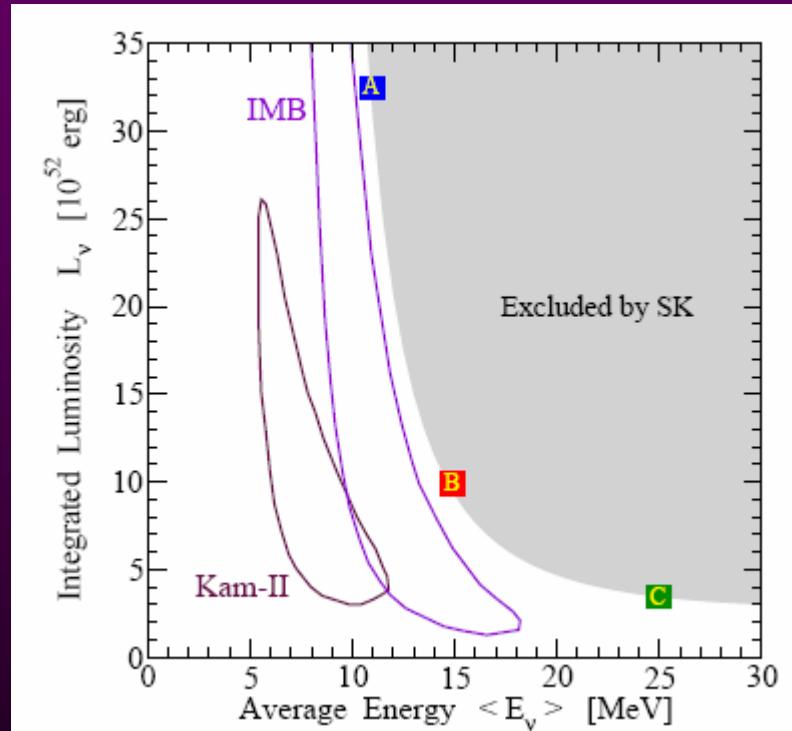
MEMPHYS: 60-150* Sig/65 BG [15-30]MeV 2yrs (1Mt.y)



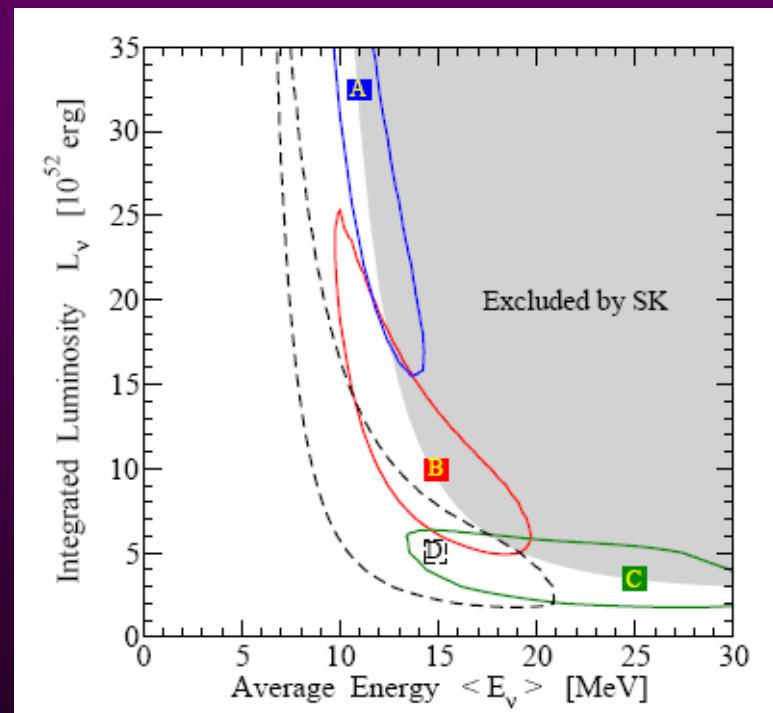
*: at SK limit

SN parameter measurements

SN 1987A (KAM-II,IMB)
DSN (SK)



DSN
5yrs SK-Gd
 \Leftrightarrow **1yr MEMPHYS-1shaft-Gd**

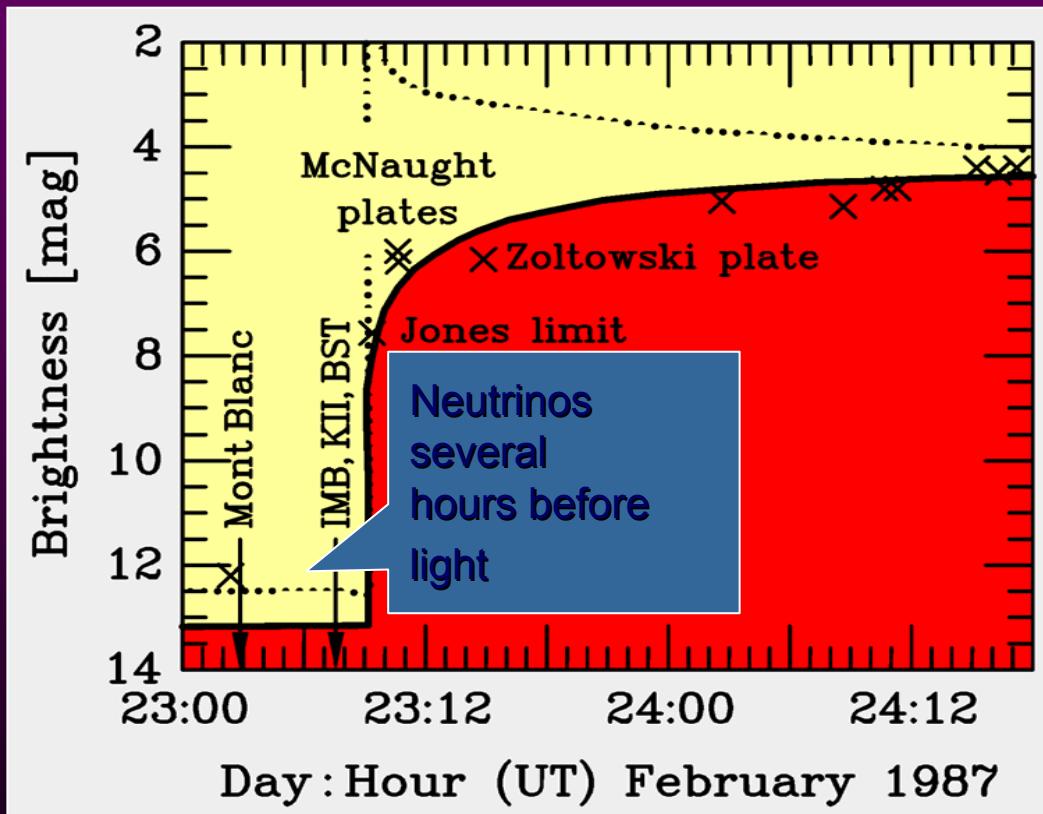


Yukse, Ando Beacom astro-ph/0509297



SN II Explosion

Early light curve of SN1987A



As for the SUN in the past...

In case of signal:

- astrophysical subject?
- neutrino physics subject?

It will depend of the respective knowledge at the time of detection

Counting rates

Mixture of initial fluxes:

$$F_{\nu_e} = p F_{\nu_e}^0 + (1-p) F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0,$$

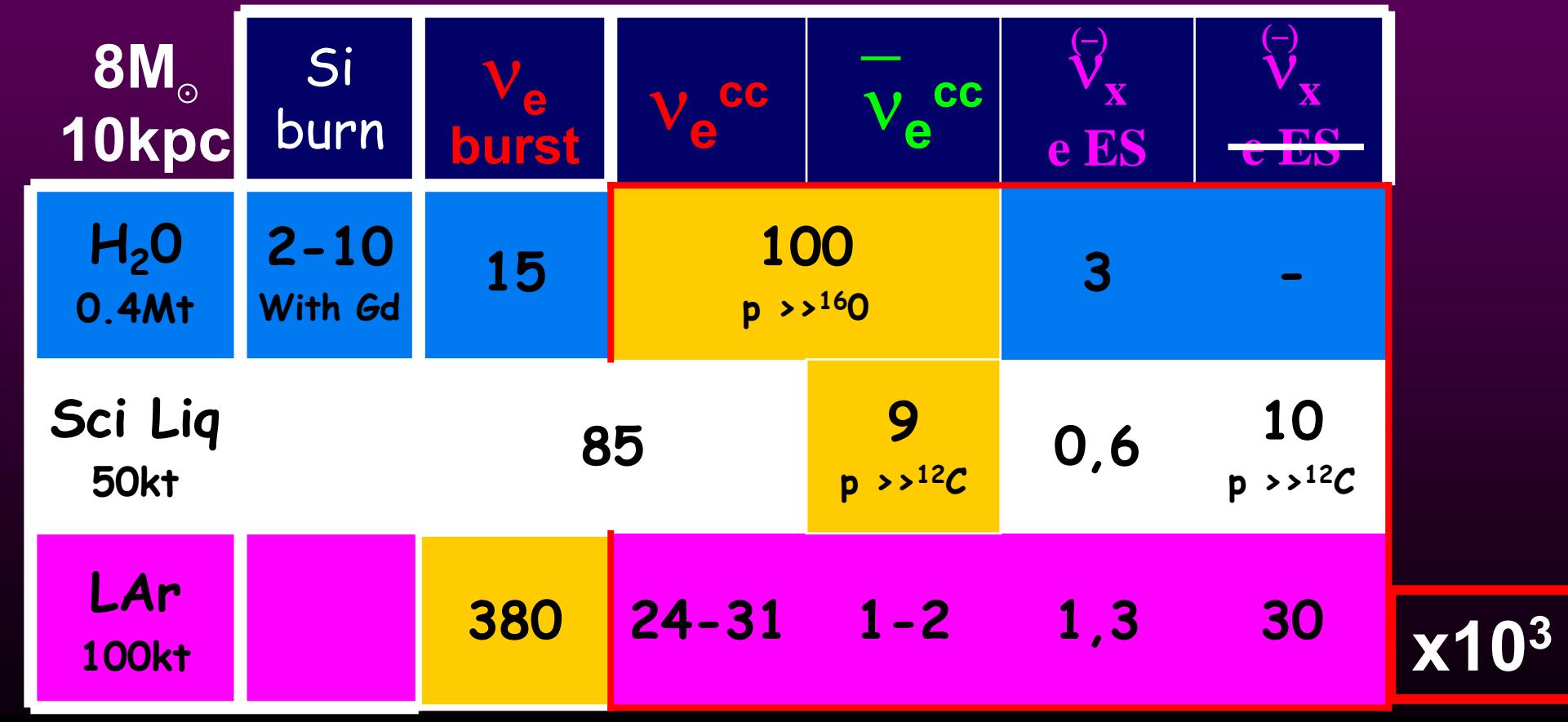
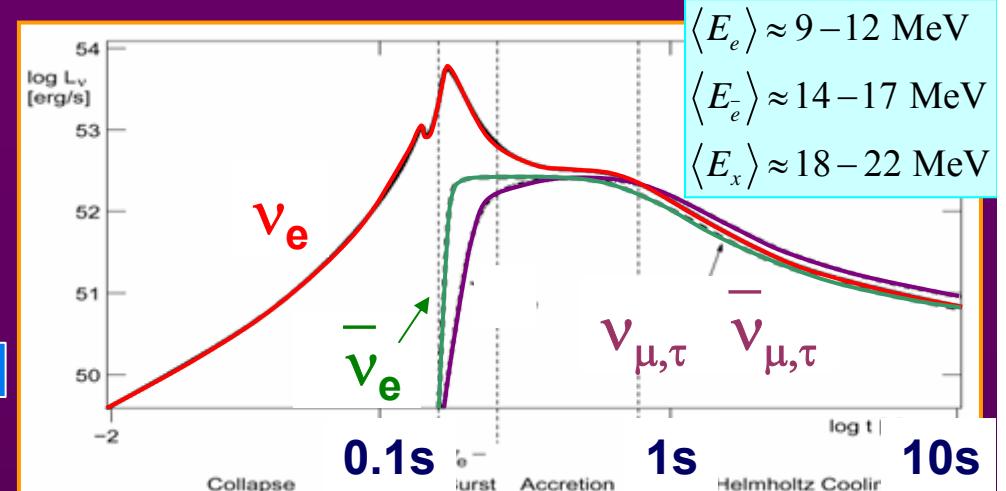
$$F_{\bar{\nu}_e} = \bar{p} F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 + (1-\bar{p}) F_{\nu_e}^0,$$

$$4F_{\nu_\mu} = (1-p) F_{\nu_e}^0 + (1-\bar{p}) F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 + (2+p+\bar{p}) F_{\nu_\mu}^0.$$

Survival probabilities in different scenarios:

Case	Hierarchy	$\sin^2 \Theta_{13}$	p	\bar{p}
A	Normal	Large	0	$\cos^2 \Theta_{13}$
B	Inverted	Large	$\sin^2 \Theta_{13}$	0
C	Any	Small	$\sin^2 \Theta_{13}$	$\cos^2 \Theta_{13}$

• "Small": $\sin^2 \Theta_{13} \lesssim 10^{-5}$, "Large": $\sin^2 \Theta_{13} \gtrsim 10^{-3}$.



What to do with this SNv ?

✿ SN trigger

- *GALEX + SN formation* $\Rightarrow 1 \text{ SN/y } D < 10 \text{ Mpc}$
 - H₂O 450kT [18-30MeV]: $4.5/(\text{Mpc})^2$ and 0.4BG/day
 - H₂O+Gd 240kT [12-38MeV]: $4.5/(\text{Mpc})^2$ et 0.3BG/day
- However 9 SN with $D < 10 \text{ Mpc}$ in 3 years (x3 the expected rate)...
 - 2 events $\Delta t < 10\text{s}$ (no BG) \Rightarrow SN Alarm
 - SN via Optic \Rightarrow if $\Delta t < 10\text{s}$ 1 event \Rightarrow Alarm confirmed
- *In coincidence with GW, if possible(???) \Rightarrow sensitivity $m_\nu \sim 1\text{eV}$*

✿ Si \rightarrow Fe burning if $D < 2\text{kpc}$: n-capture requested

✿ Neutronization burst : possible but better with GLACIER

✿ SN direction:

- ES e^- $2^\circ \rightarrow 0.6^\circ$ (H₂O + Gd)

• Time evolution of the energy spectrum: Burst + Shock Wave + Earth
 θ_{13} parameter + mass Hierarchy

Hierarchy	$\sin^2\theta_{13}$	ν_e neutronization peak	Shock wave	Earth effect
Normal	$\gtrsim 10^{-3}$	Absent	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_e$ ν_e (delayed)
Inverted	$\gtrsim 10^{-3}$	Present	$\bar{\nu}_e$	ν_e $\bar{\nu}_e$ (delayed)
Any	$\lesssim 10^{-5}$	Present	—	ν_e $\bar{\nu}_e$

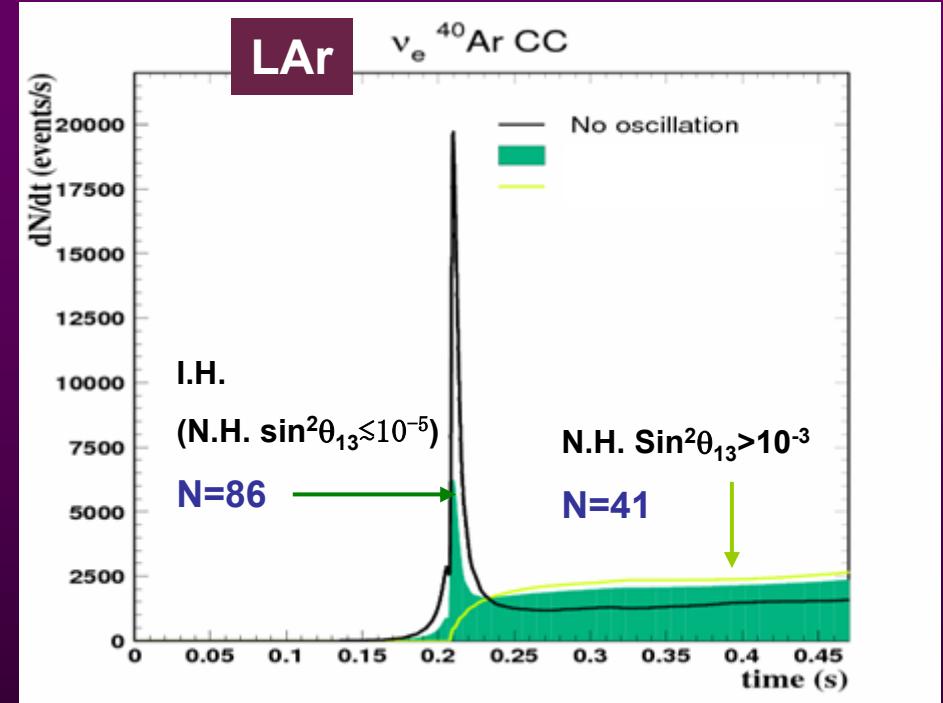
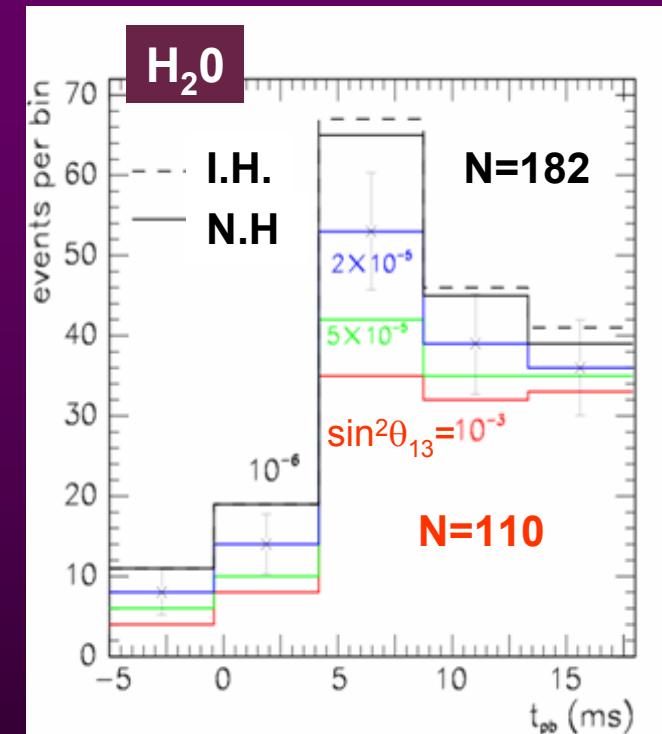
A. Mirizzi @ LPNHE 17/2/06

Exploiting these complementary signatures, one could extract useful information on the neutrino mass hierarchy and on θ_{13}

($\nu_{\mu\tau}$ + p NC measurement of independant fraction of the binding energy)

Neutronization burst (~ 25 ms, after the bounce)

Robust feature of the SN simulation



Possibility to probe non standard physics

Resonant Spin Flavor transitions [E.Akhmedov et al., hep-ph/0310119]

Neutrino Decay [S.Ando, hep-ph/0405200]

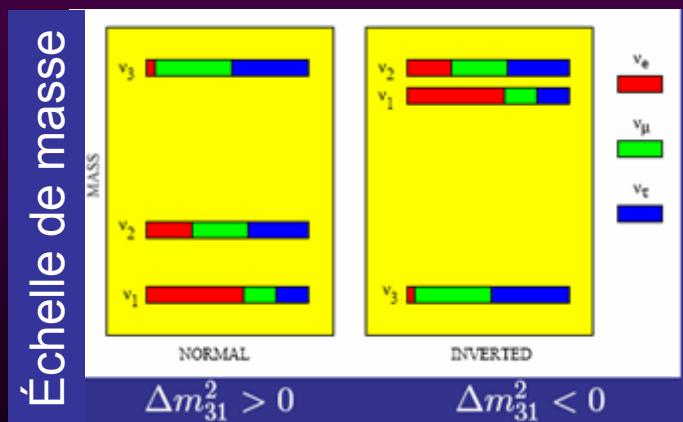
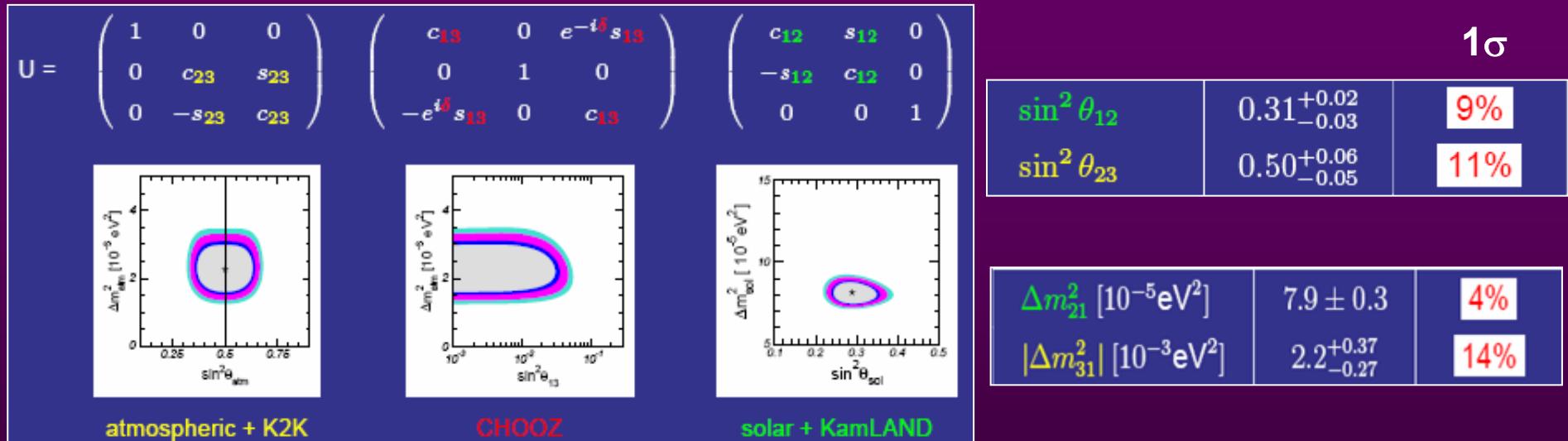


Possibility to look for non standard $\bar{\nu}_e$ fraction (H_2O)



Man made Oscillations...

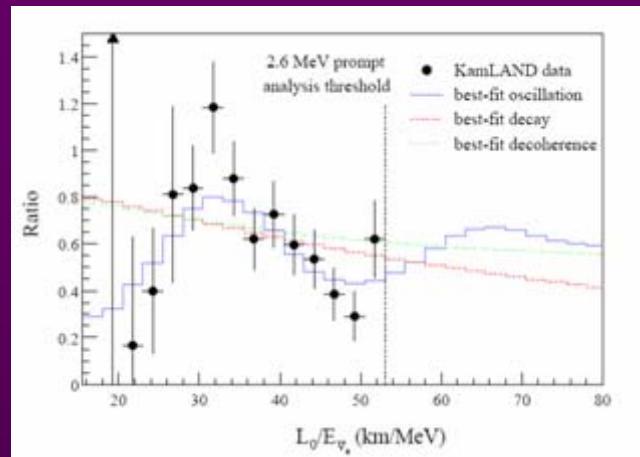
Non couvert ici par ex.: échelle de masse, Majorana vs Dirac, ν stérile...



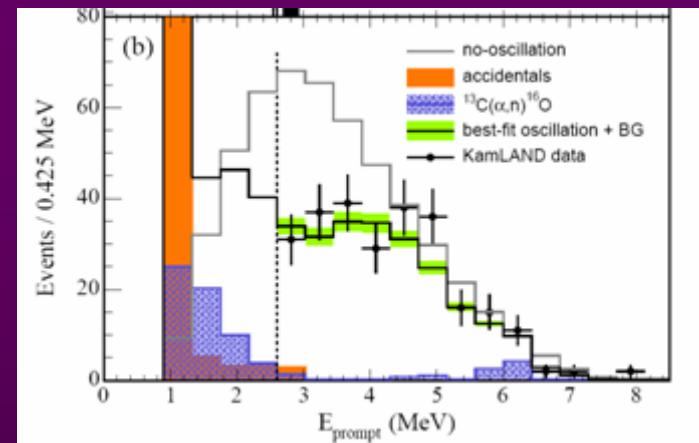
Octant de θ_{23}
 θ_{13}
 δ_{CP}

?

Δm^2_{21} et $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ « solar parameters »



KamLAND



0.77 kT.y

Reacteurs V

Background for Supernova ν

S. Choubey, S.T. Petcov, hep-ph/0404103

Data set	99% CL range	spread	range	spread
	$\Delta m^2_{21}/10^{-5}\text{eV}^2$	Δm^2_{21}	$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$
only solar	3.2 – 14.9	65%	0.22 – 0.37	25%
solar+1 kTy KL	6.5 – 8.0	10%	0.23 – 0.37	23%
solar+2.6 kTy KL	6.7 – 7.7	7%	0.23 – 0.36	22%
3 yrs SK-Gd	7.0 – 7.4	3%	0.25 – 0.37	19%
5 yrs SK-Gd	7.0 – 7.3	2%	0.26 – 0.35	15%

A possible « Roadmap » (inspired by A. Cervera @ CSG-Orsay06)

*1st step: **present era***

Ongoing: 2005-2010

- Improve the precision on the atmospheric parameters looking at ν_μ disappearance
- Confirm (atm. osc)= $(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau)$ and first look at $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$

*2nd step: **prospective era***

Approved/Proposed: 2009-2015

- Demonstrate visibility of sub-leading transitions:
 $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$, $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$
- Explore θ_{13} down to 2^0 (today $<10^0$)

*3rd step: **deep search era***

Discussed: 2015-2025

$$\theta_{13} > 3^0$$

Known by 2011

$$\theta_{13} < 3^0$$

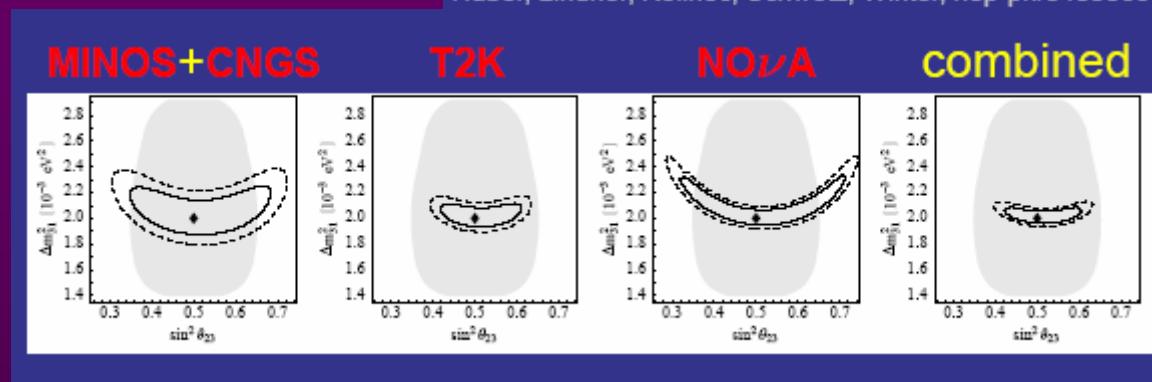
- Existing facilities could reach it
- ... but with very small sensitivity to δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy

- No access for ongoing experiments at that time

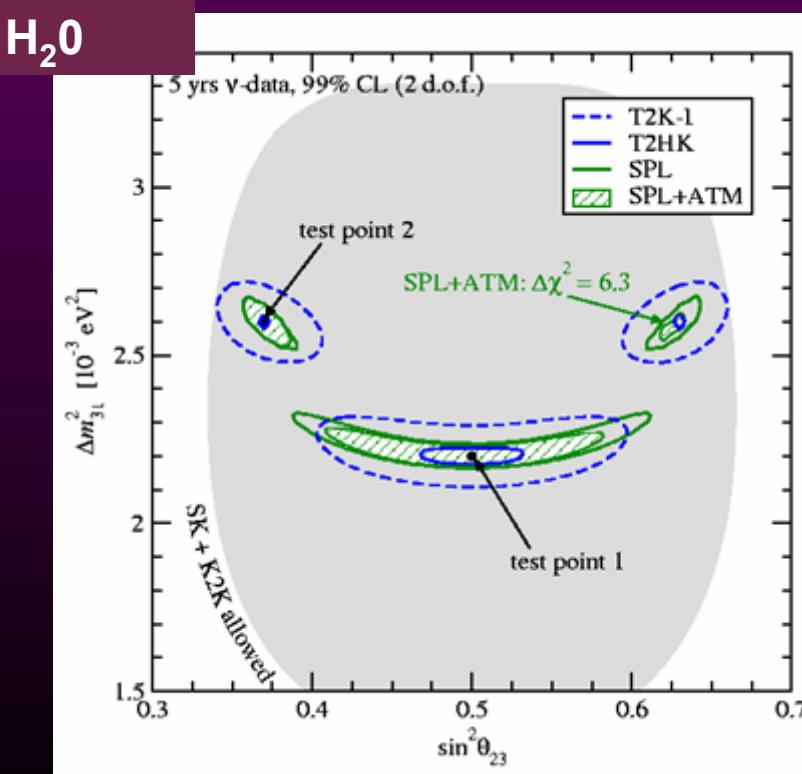
Cleaner and more intense beams + bigger detectors

$|\Delta m_{31}^2|$ et $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ « atmospheric parameters »

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precision area!

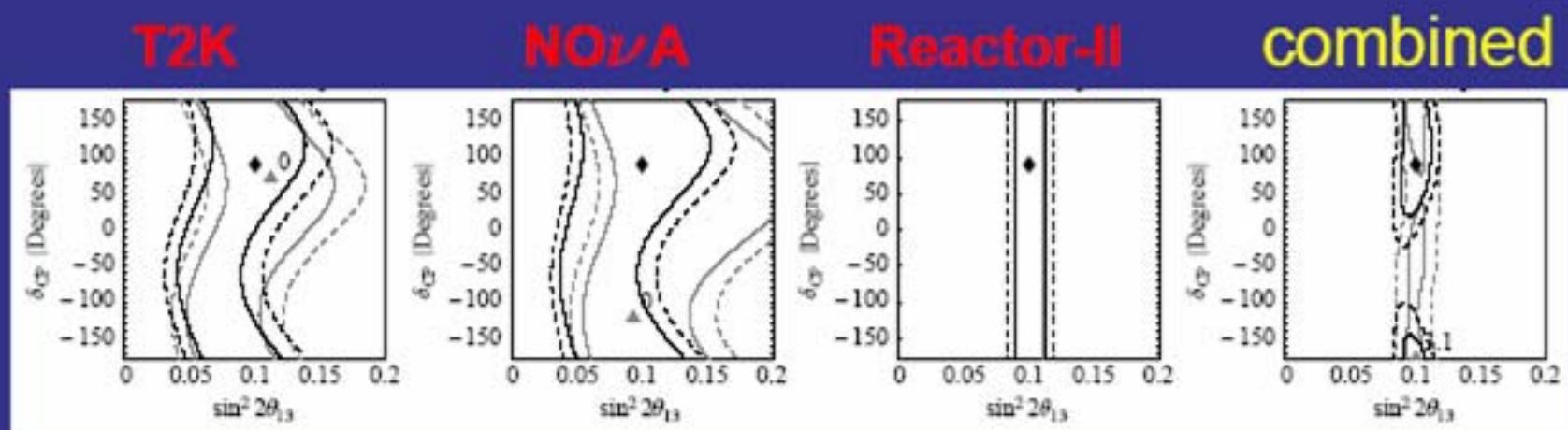


T2HK E_ν ~ 750MeV
SPL E_ν ~ 300MeV
(Fermi motion limitation)

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CP-phase and hierarchy within ten years

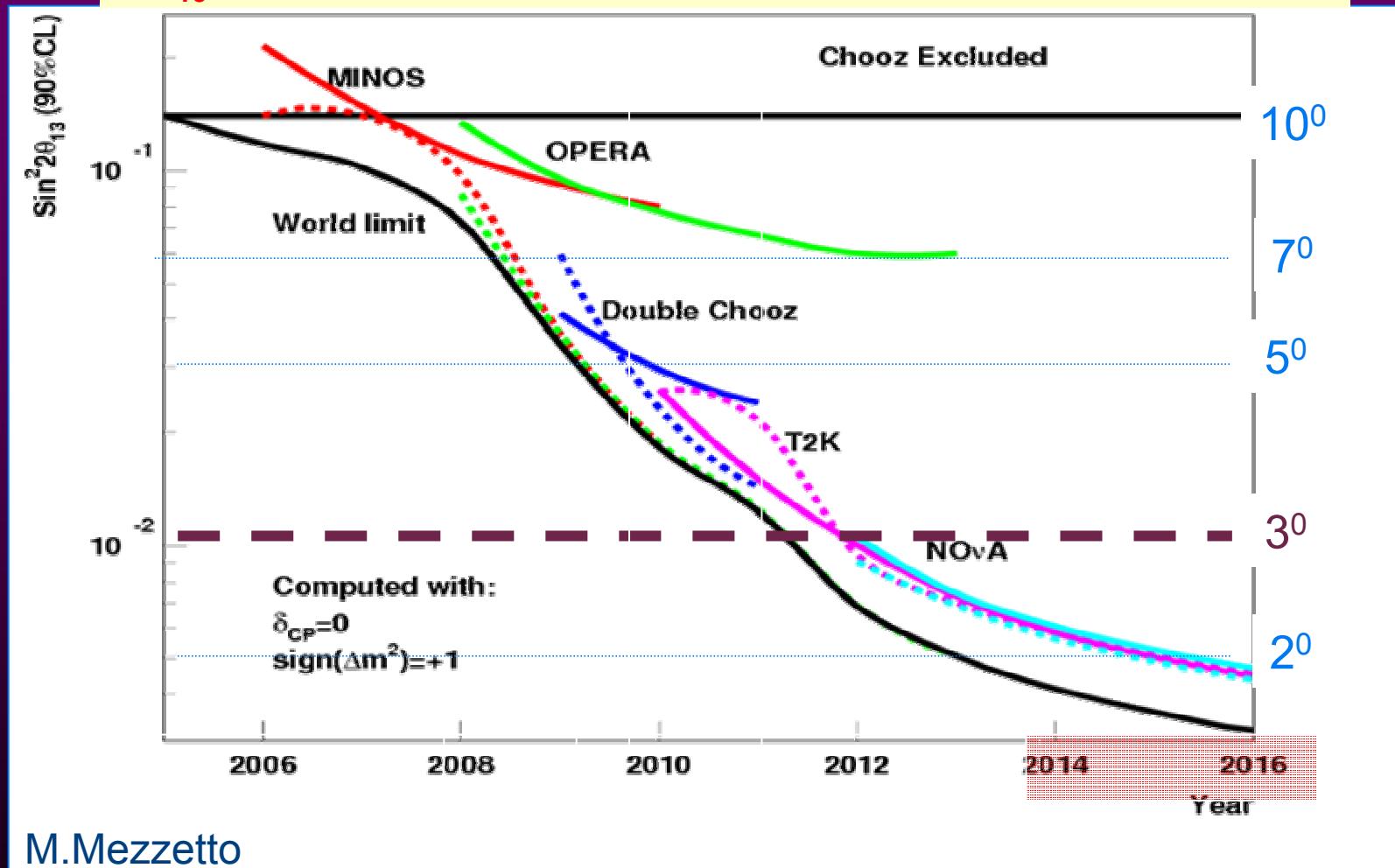
assume $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$



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θ_{13} : sensitivity time evolution (take care...)

If θ_{13} is found on the road the priority will have to be adapted



Limit of the exp.



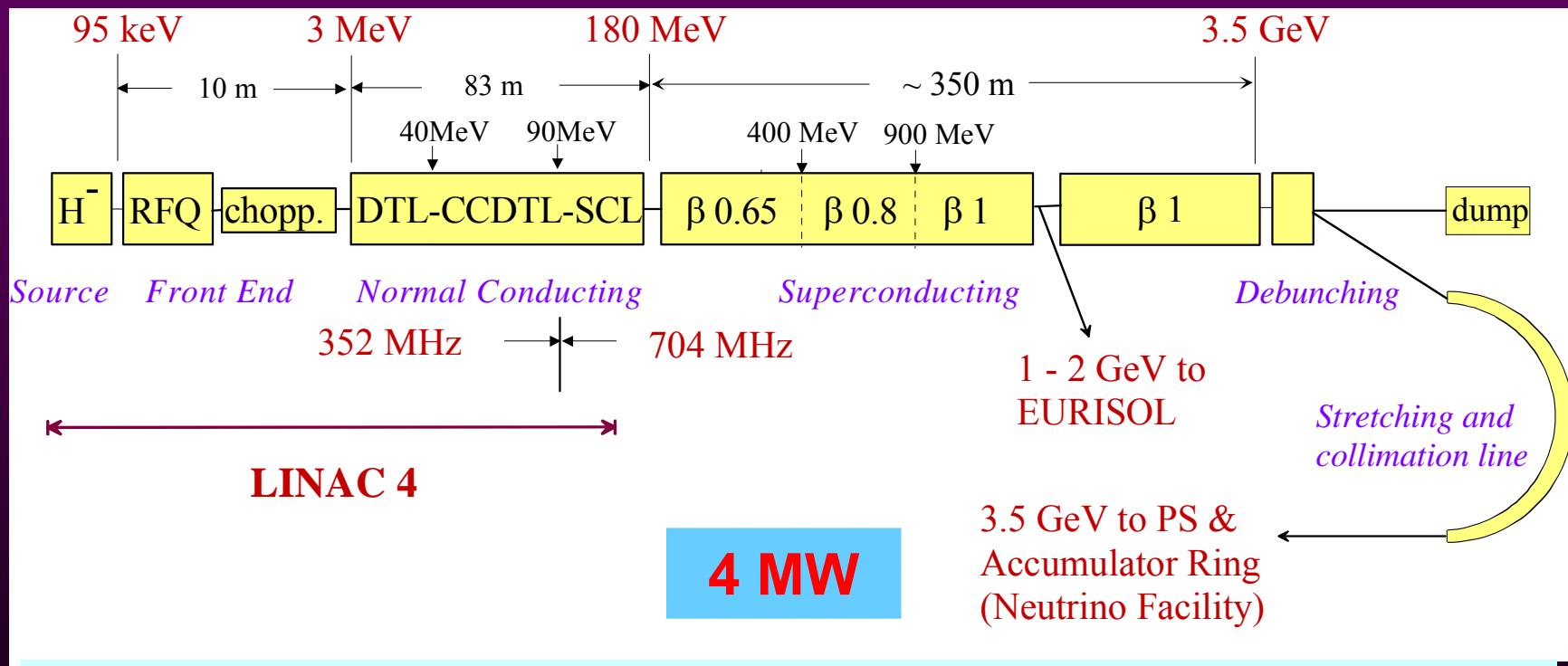
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Weak sensitivity to CP

SPL current design

SPL main goals:

- increase the performance of the CERN high energy accelerators (PS, SPS & LHC)
- address the needs of future experiments with neutrinos and radio-active ion beams



The present R&D programme concentrates on low-energy (Linac4) items, wherever possible in collaboration with other laboratories.

From R.Garoby

How to overcome Super Beam limitations ?

Main problem :

SPL protons produce less negative pions, so **less antineutrinos**

antineutrino cross-section \sim **5 times smaller** than neutrinos

So 10 SPL years have to be shared as \sim 2 neutrino + 8 antineutrino years

A solution :

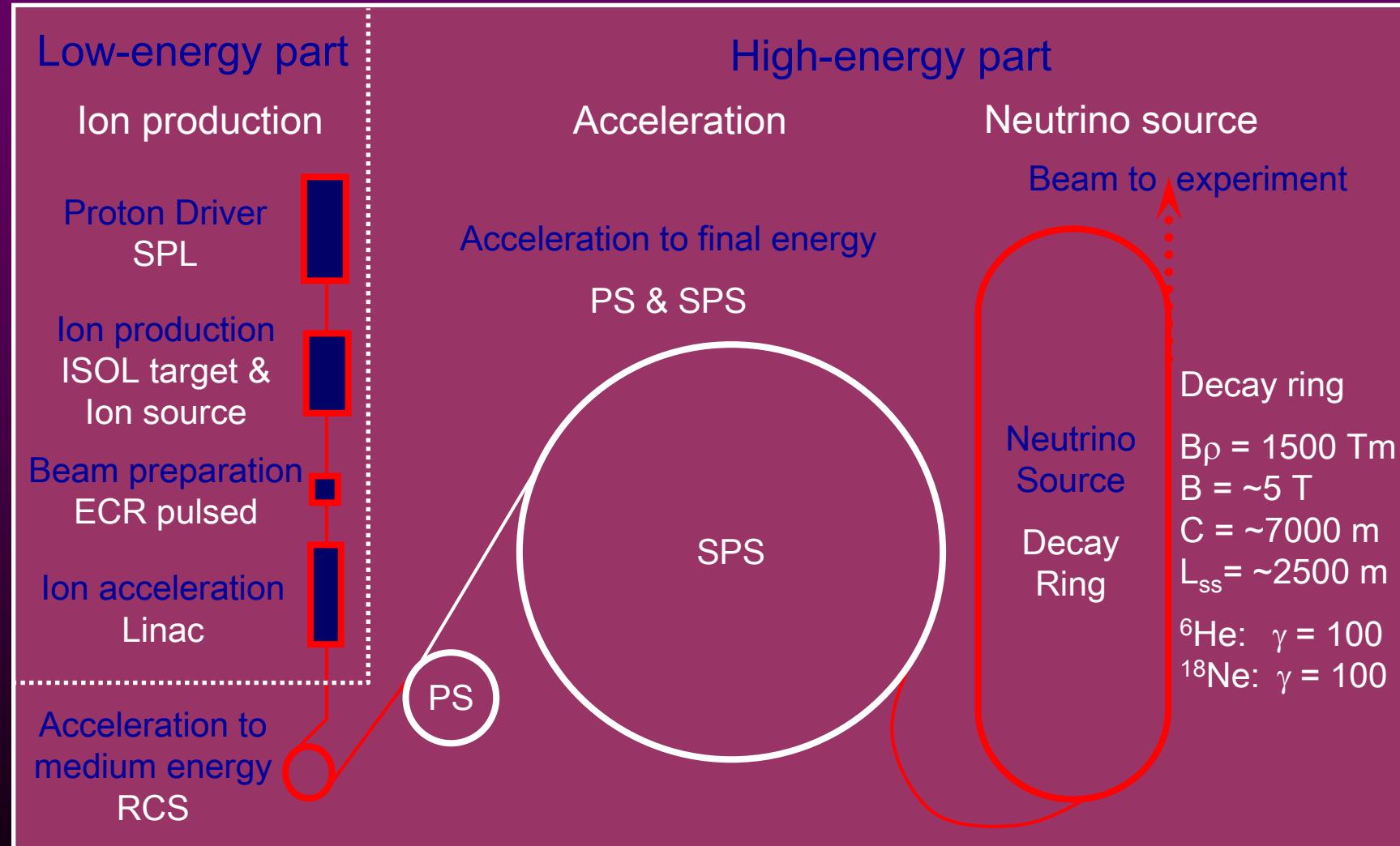
Produce a ν_e beam to study $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ oscillation and run it
SIMULTANEOUSLY

with ν_μ beam from SPL

Compare $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ and $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ (T asymmetry, equivalent to CP asymmetry)

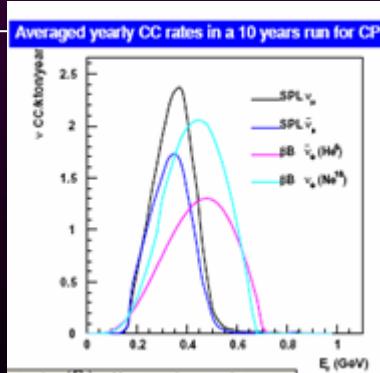
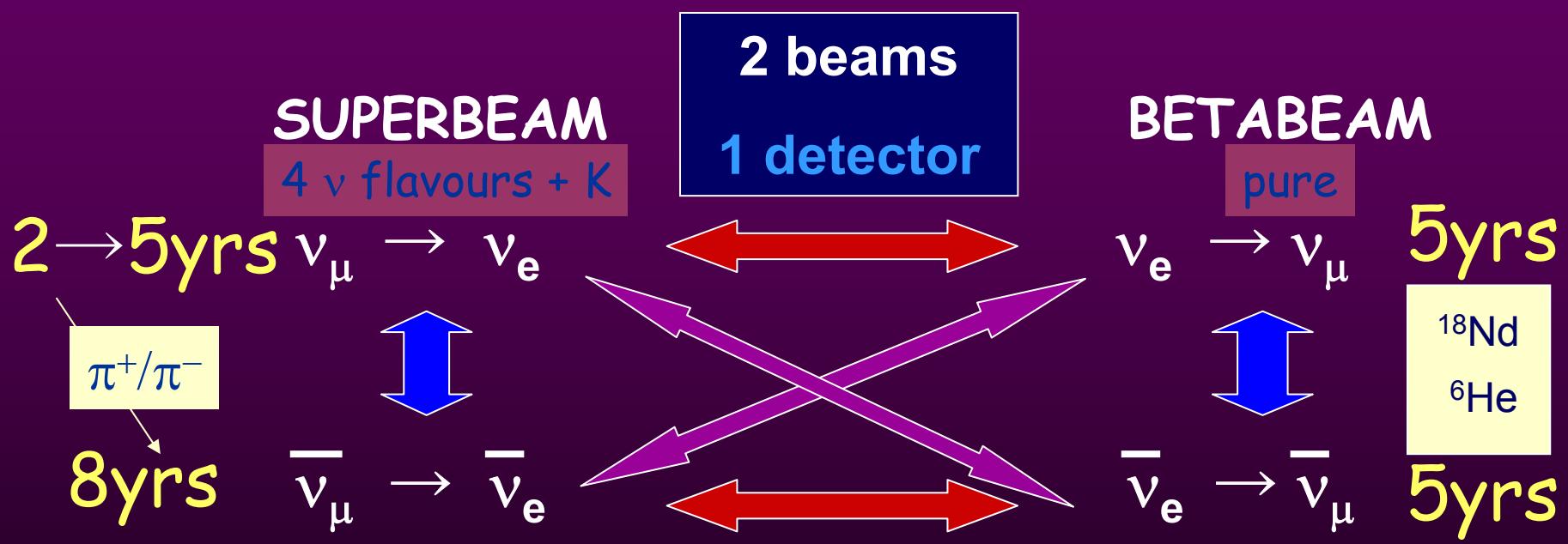
THIS WAS THE INITIAL MOTIVATION FOR A BETA BEAM

Beta-beam baseline design



Super Beam + β Beam + MEMPHYS

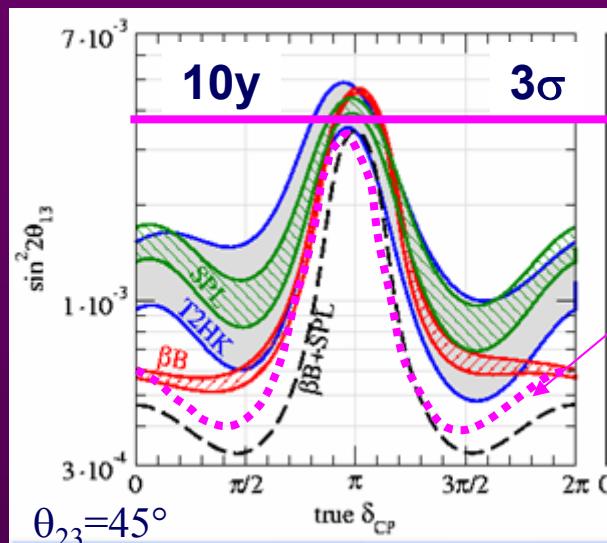
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2 ways of testing CP, T and CPT : redundancy and check of systematics

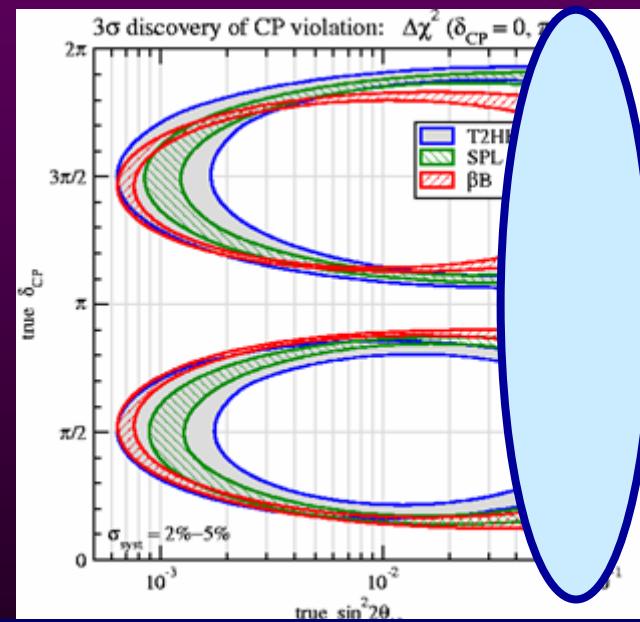
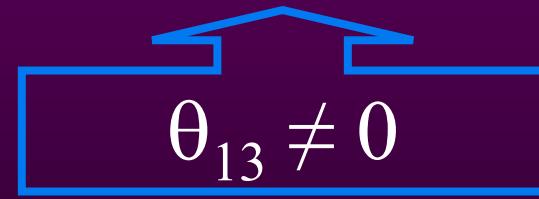
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	107k	$\bar{\nu}_e (\gamma = 100)$	101k
ν_μ	81k	$\nu_e (\gamma = 100)$	144k

4 Mt.y



$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ in 10 y

or 5y combining SPL (ν_μ) + BB(ν_e)



Study inside the ISS/BENE WG

Band: 2%→5% syst

BB: 5+5y

SPL: 2+8y

T2HK: 2+8y

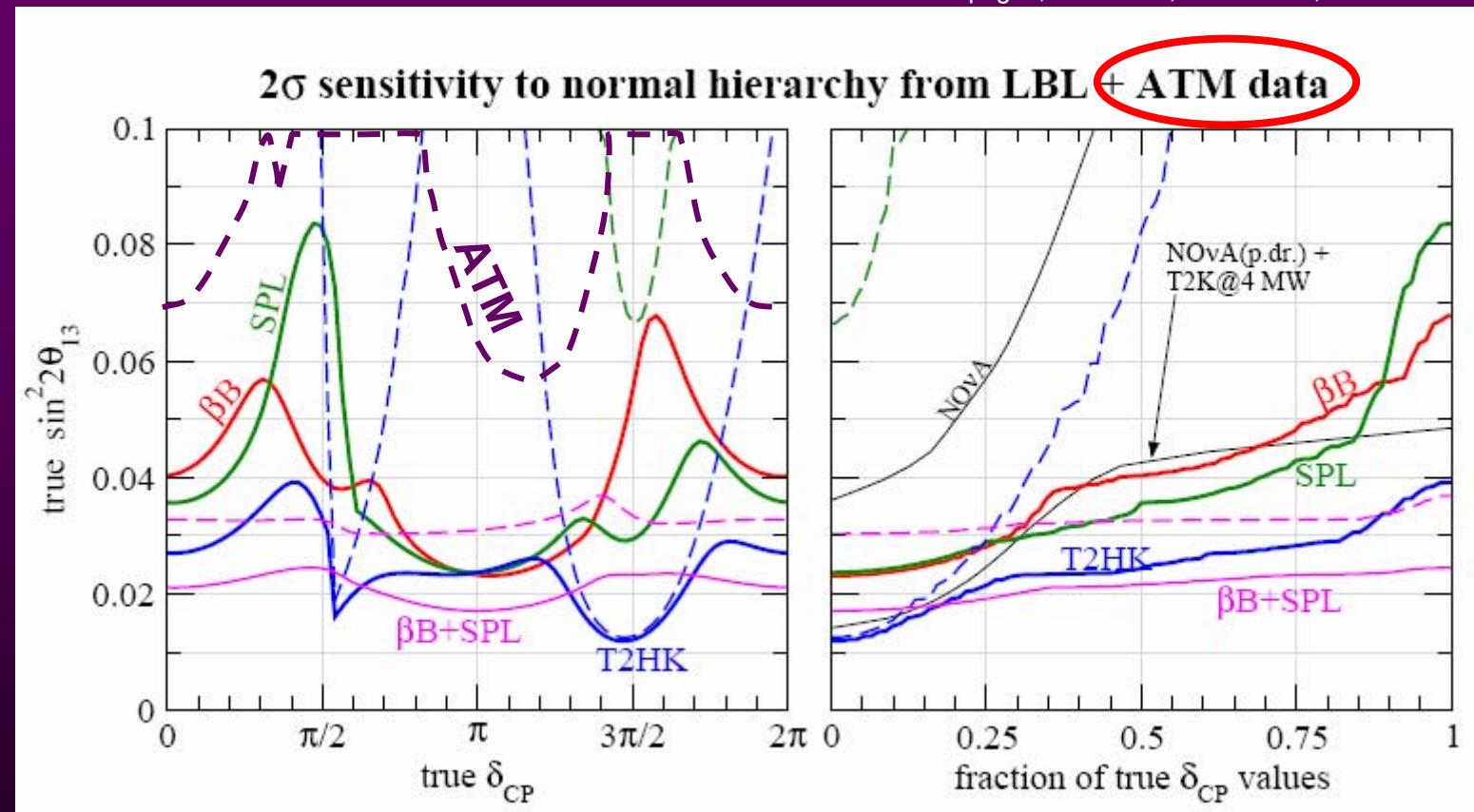
all: 440kT fid. mass

Systematics dominant
 SB: beam contents
 SB et BB: x-section, eff./Bgd
 (NF: matter profile, eff./Bgd)

Mass hierarchy: Synergy β B & SPL, and also ATM

Contrary to Donini et al. statement

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ATM: ν atmosph. 4.4Mt.y

— : LBL alone
— : LBL + ATM

Notice β B+SPL vs T2HK !!!
Not yet included in the paper

Degeneracies

$$P_{\mu e} \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \alpha^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cos^2 \theta_{23} \Delta_{31}^2 \\ + \alpha \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \Delta_{31} \sin \Delta_{31} \cos(\Delta_{31} \pm \delta_{CP})$$

several possibilities to resolve the degeneracies are known:

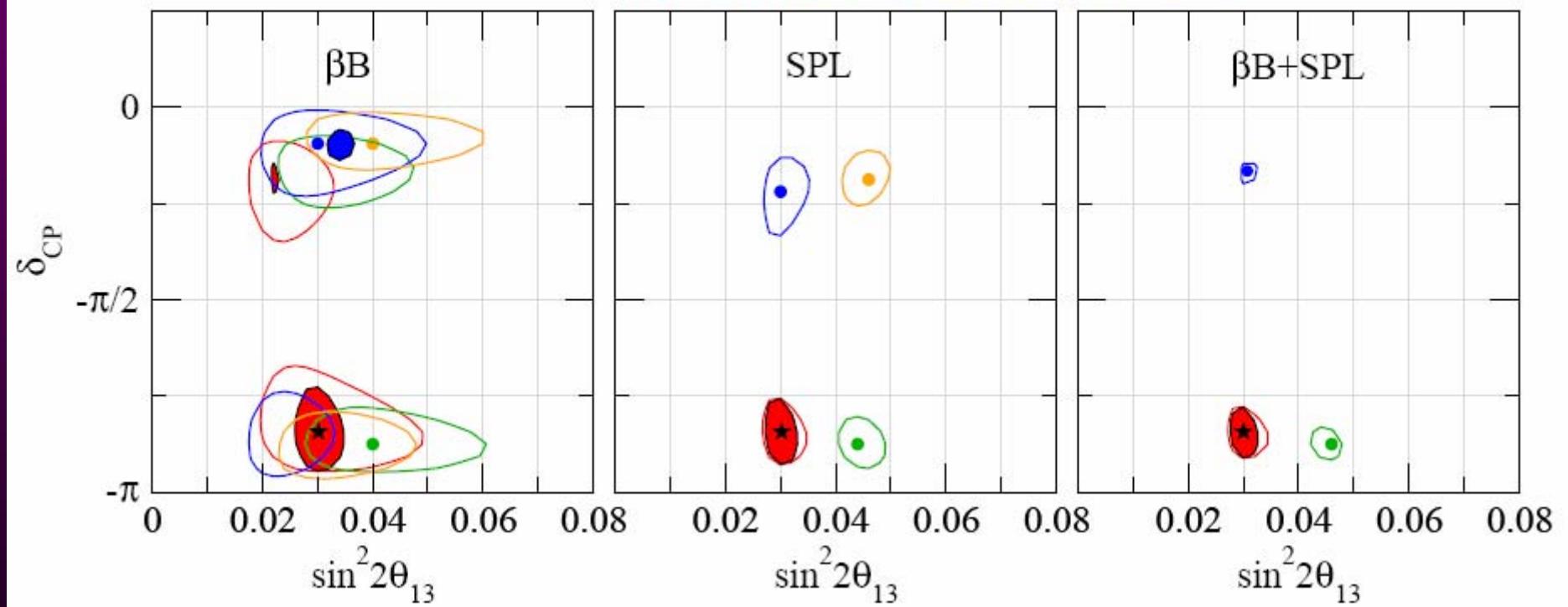
- combining information from detectors at different baselines and/or energies
e.g., second osc. maximum, different off-axis angle
- using additional oscillation channels ($\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\tau$)
- spectral information (broadband beam)
- adding information on θ_{13} from a reactor experiment
- combining data from LBL and atmospheric neutrino experiments

MEMPHYS+ SPL+BB+ ATM

O: θ_{23} Octant H: sign $|\Delta m^2_{31}|$

$\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.6$

95% CL regions for the $(H^{tr}O^{tr})$, $(H^{tr}O^{wr})$, $(H^{wr}O^{tr})$, $(H^{wr}O^{wr})$ solutions



BB: 5+5y

SPL: 2+8y

440kT fid. mass

ATM can solve degeneracies!!!

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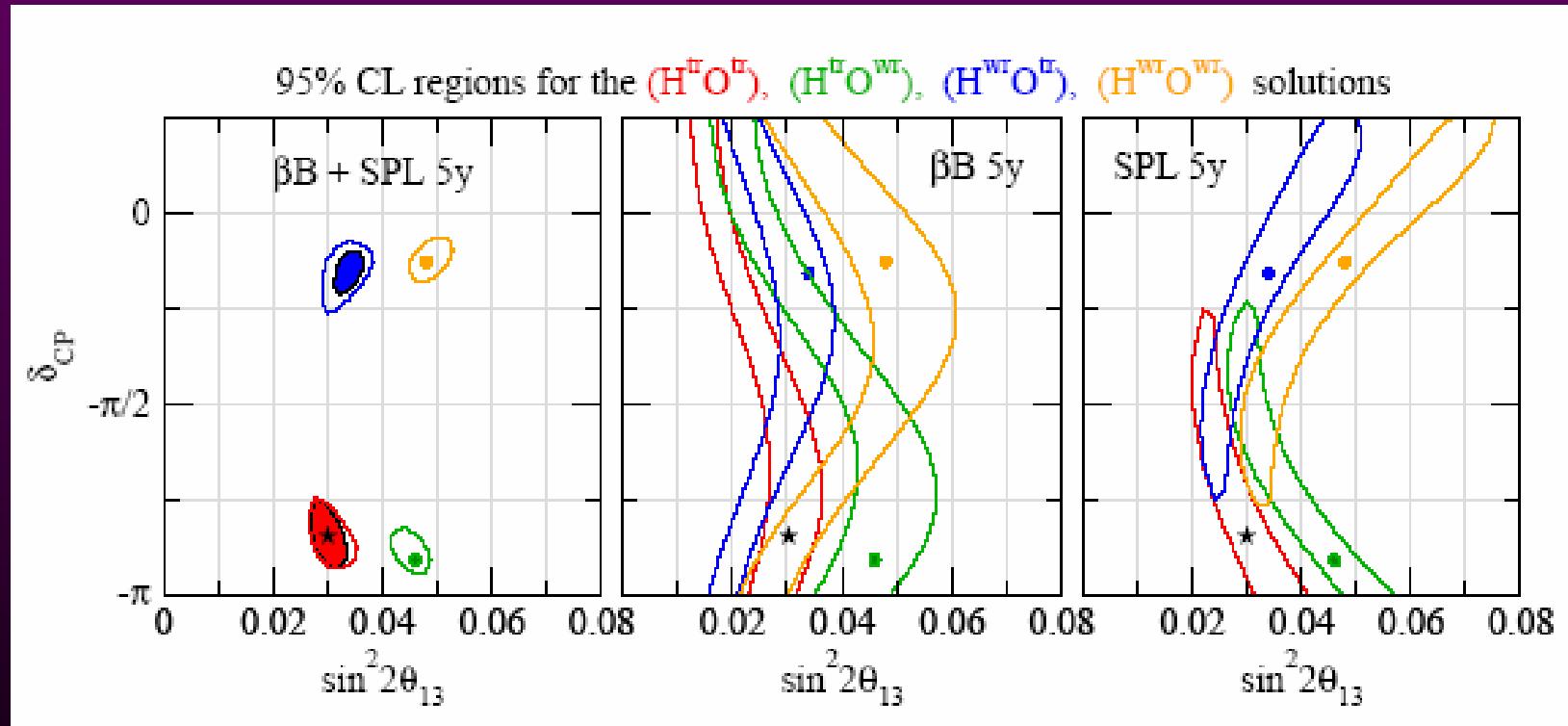
Other way to solve the degeneracies: use ν_e and ν_μ

BB: 5y (ν_e)

SPL: 5y (ν_μ)

ATM: 5y

MEMPHYS 440kT fid. mass



Still a wrong hierarchy clone with $\chi^2=3.3$

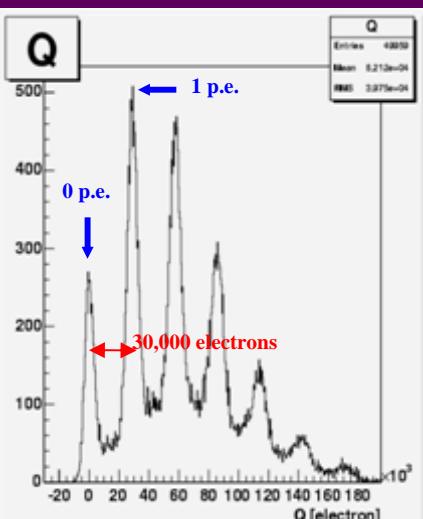
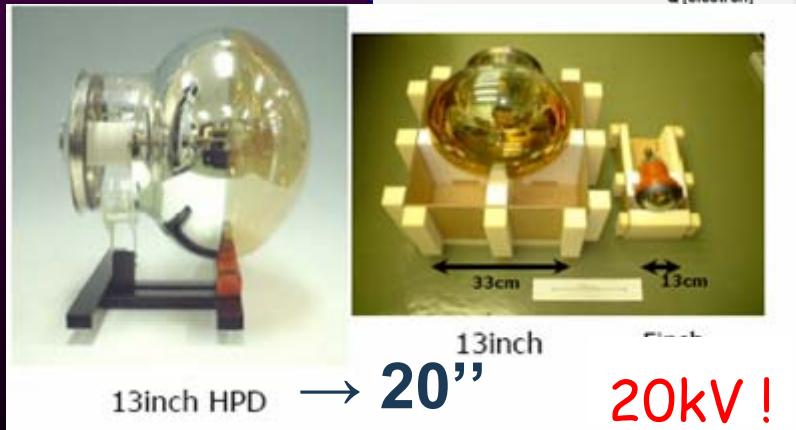
R&D Photodetecteurs

•Diameter	20"	<=>	12"
•projected area	1660	615	cm ²
•QE(typ)	20	24	%
•CE	60	70	%
•Cost	2500	800	€
•Cost/p.e/cm	13	8	€

PMT Photonis@NNN05

Hamamatsu R&D

HPD



Summary

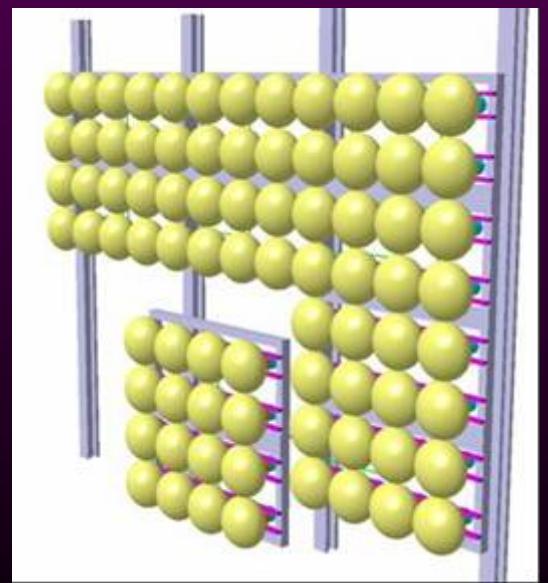
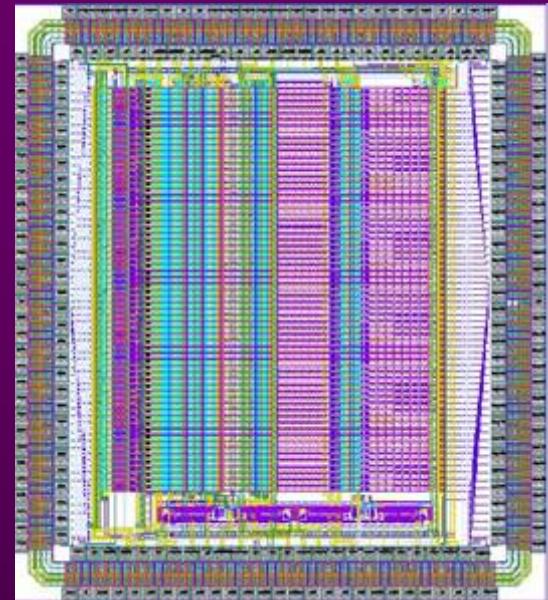
- R&D for a large format hybrid photo detector has started.
- Initial study shows excellent performance:
 - ✓ Single photon sensitivity
 - ✓ Wide dynamic range (up to the readout limit)
 - ✓ Good time resolution (better than 1ns)
 - ✓ Good uniformity (over a large photocathode)
- Promising

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Needs low noise electronics

R&D Electronique

- Integrated readout : “digital PM (bits out)”
 - Charge measurement (12bits)
 - Time measurement (1ns)
 - Single photoelectron sensitivity
- High counting rate capability (target 100 MHz)
- Large area pixellised PM :
 - 16 low cost PMs
 - Centralized ASIC for DAQ
 - Variable gain to have only one HV
- Multichannel readout
 - Gain adjustment
 - Subsequent versions of OPERA_ROC ASICs
- Network
 - Wireless?



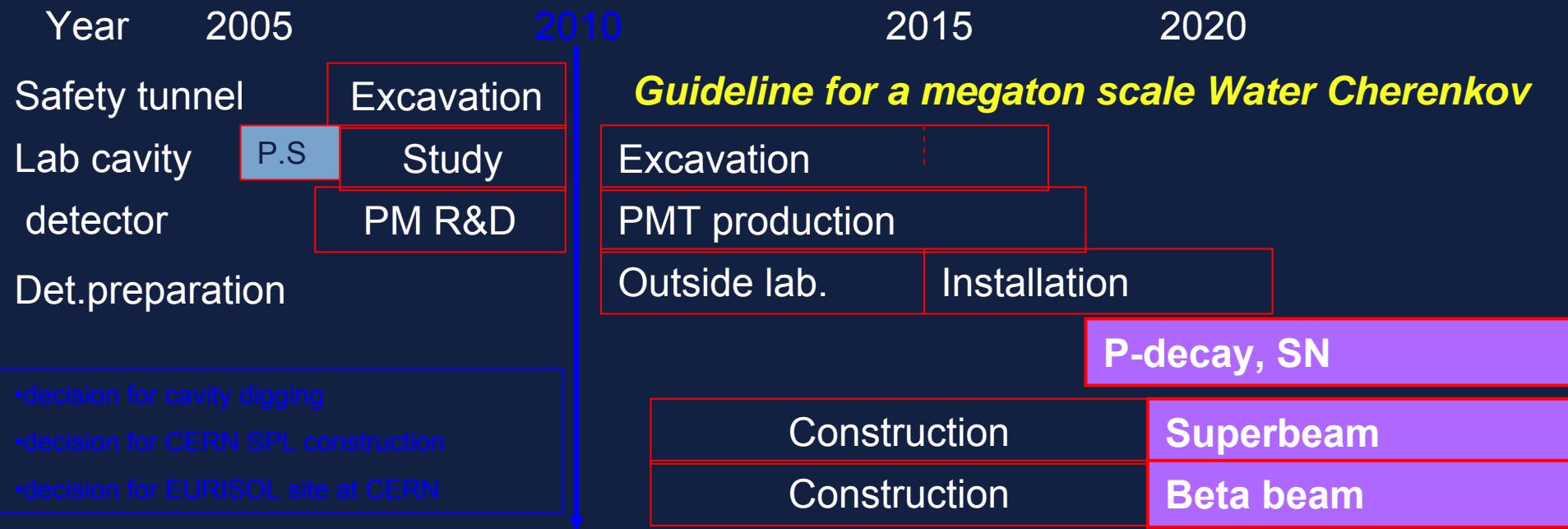
IPNO-LAL-LAPP

French funding agency (ANR ≠ CNRS/IN2P3 and CEA)

- ✿ Request for a Joint R&D :
 - LAL-IPNO-LAPP
 - Photonis Co.
 - 3 years, 400k€, 1FTE physicist, 5FTE Engineers
- ✿ LAL: electronics: 100k€ + 1 post-doc
- ✿ IPNO: photodetector tests + mechanics: 180k€
- ✿ LAPP: Data network: 53k€
- ✿ Photonis: PMTs provider: 64k€

Expected answer in July 06

When?



The 3 technologies have complementarity Physics and common R&D

❖ Networking activities

- ❖ A1) Physics potential of Large Deep Underground experiments in both non- accelerator and accelerator sectors, interdisciplinary aspects (geoneutrinos)
- ❖ A2) Underground Laboratories for very large detectors : best strategies for excavation, access and equipments (ventilation, air-conditioning, power supply, low background environment, etc.),
- ❖ A3) Safety optimisation in Very Large Underground Facilities
- ❖ A4) Interdisciplinary aspects of the facility

❖ Joint Research Activities

- ❖ B1) Development of low-cost photo-sensors for Cerenkov and scintillation processes in optical and DUV regions, of different types (vacuum or gaseous, in connection with industry)
- ❖ B2) Development of solutions for low-cost readout electronic for a large number of channels
- ❖ B3) Development of large scale liquid production and purification systems
- ❖ B4) Technical feasibility and safety of large underground liquid containers (tanker)
- ❖ B5) Site definition and local studies for large scale caverns with large underground apparatuses (rock/salt quality, access requirements, ventilation systems, power supply, ...)

Start structure for FP7, connection with ILIAS...