

Prospects and Status of the JUNO detector

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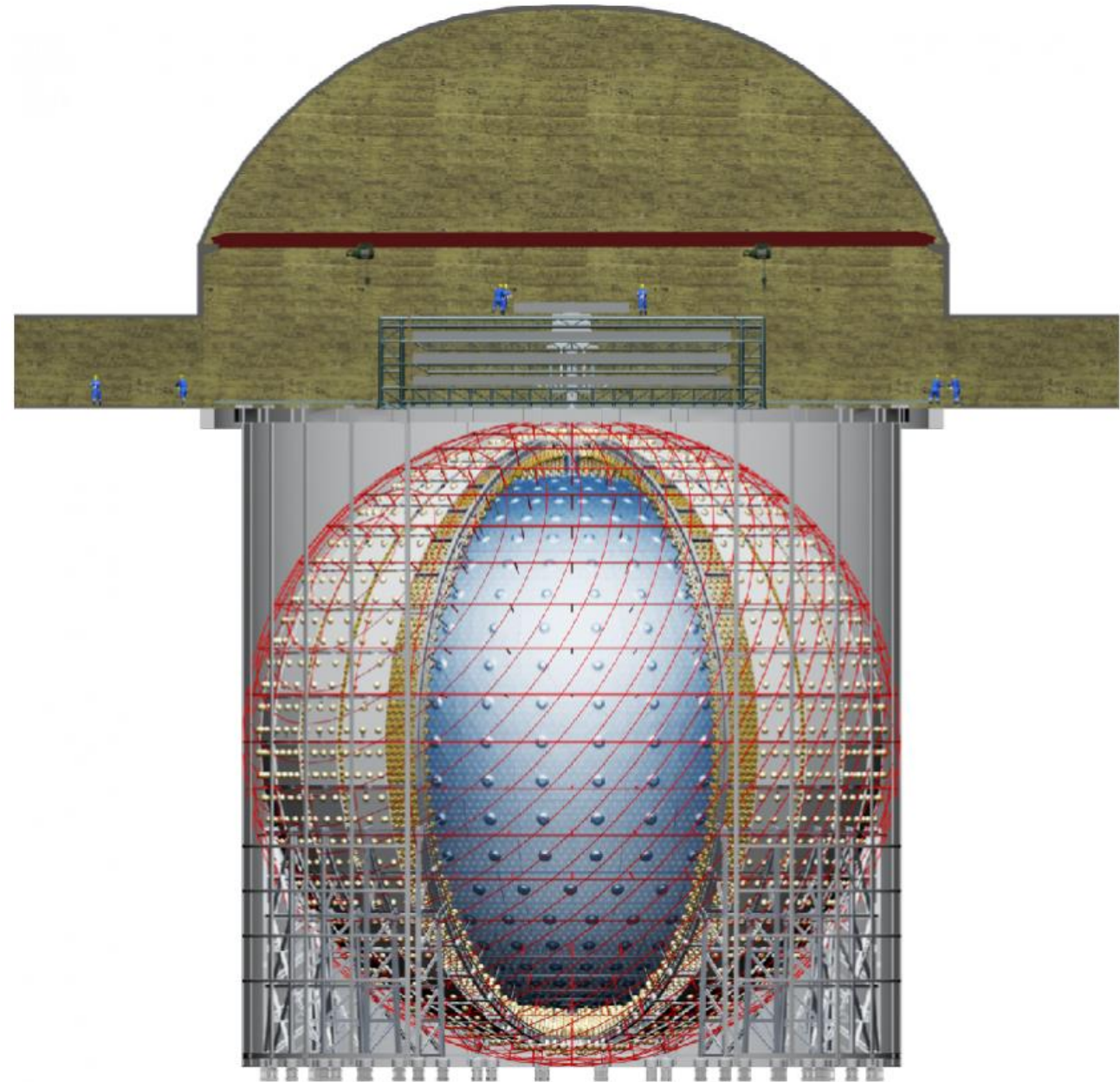
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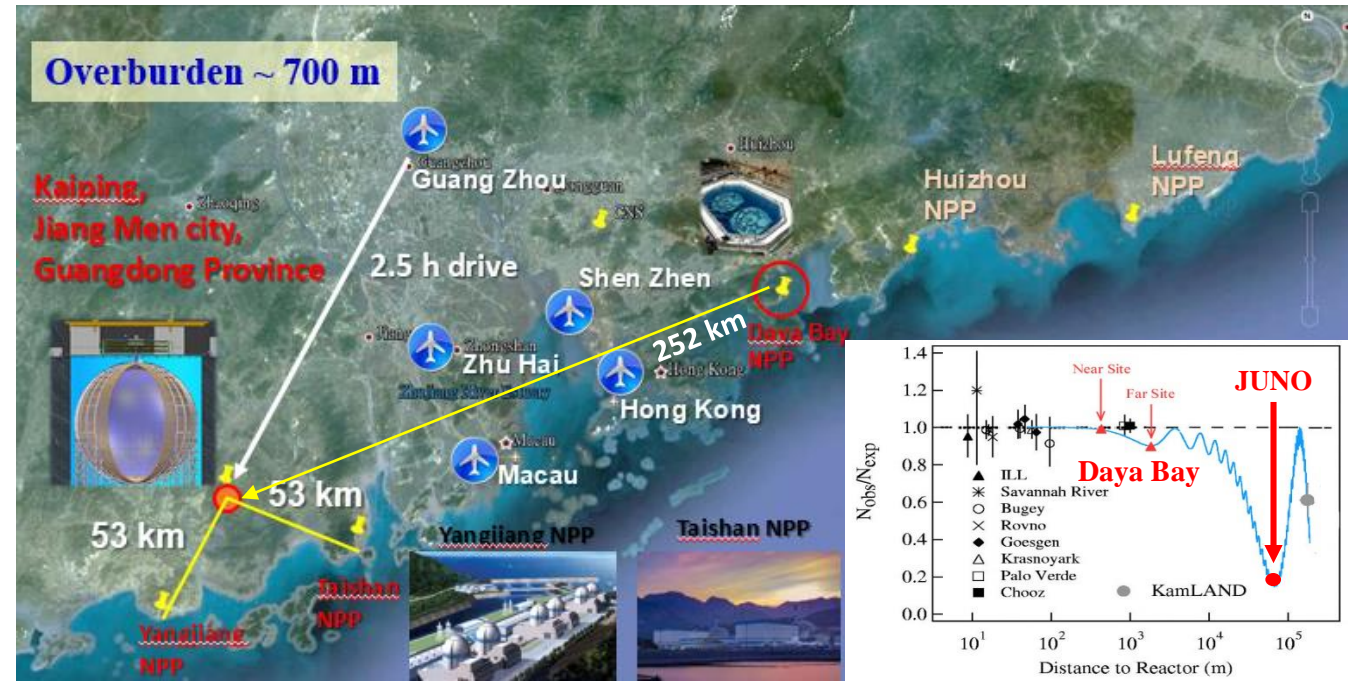
- *An overview of JUNO*
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 - *TAO detector*
- *Conclusion*



Jiangmen **U**nderground **N**eutrino **O**bservatory

Project:

- Major goal: NMO determination;
- Main Source : Reactor neutrinos;
- Target: 20 kton liquid scintillator ;
- Location: 700m underground;
- Approved in 2013, Construction since 2015, operation in 2023;



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Technical Report

Neutrino physics with JUNO

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NPP	Daya Bay	Huizhou	Lufeng	Yangjiang	Taishan
Status	Operation	Planned	Planned	Operation	Operation
Power	17.4 GW _{th}	17.4 GW _{th}	17.4 GW _{th}	17.4 GW _{th}	9.2 GW _{th}

JUNO Collaboration

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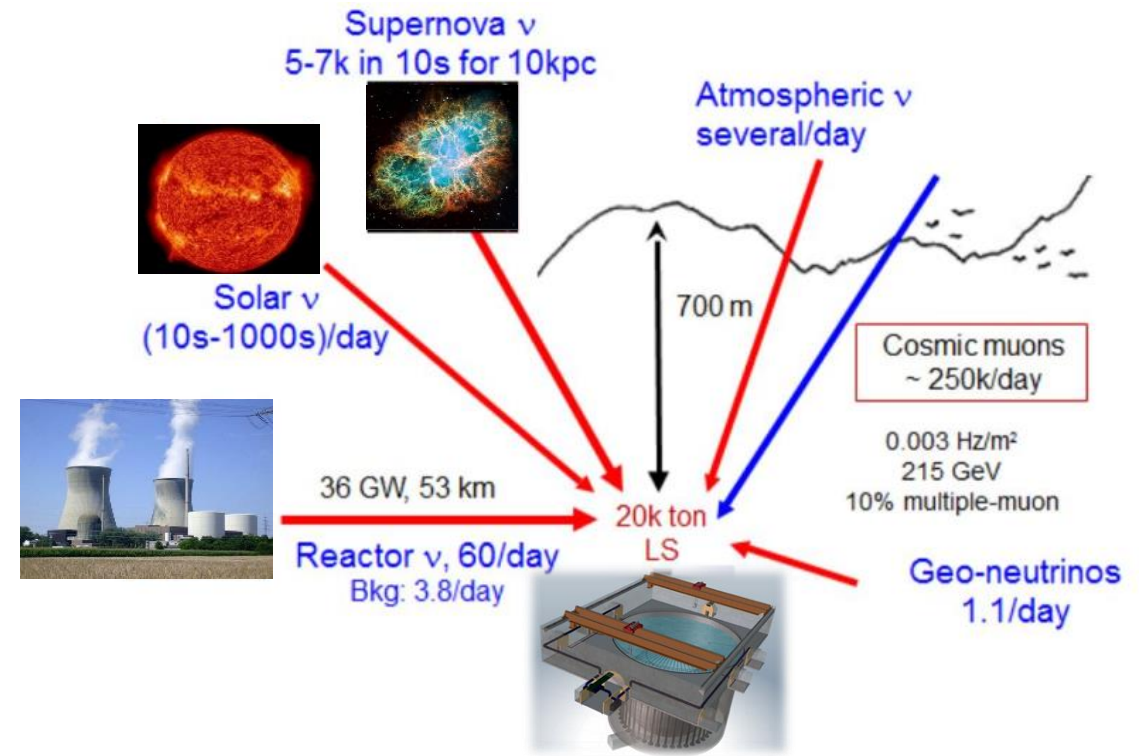


Physics Prospects

JUNO: A multipurpose neutrino experiment

Physics:

- *Determine neutrino mass ordering;*
- *Precise measurements of three neutrino oscillation parameters;*
- *Supernova neutrinos;*
- *Solar neutrinos;*
- *Atmospheric neutrinos;*
- *Geo-neutrinos;*
- *Exotic searches, proton decay;*



Neutrino Mass Ordering

$$P_{\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e}(L/E) = 1 - P_{21} - P_{31} - P_{32}$$

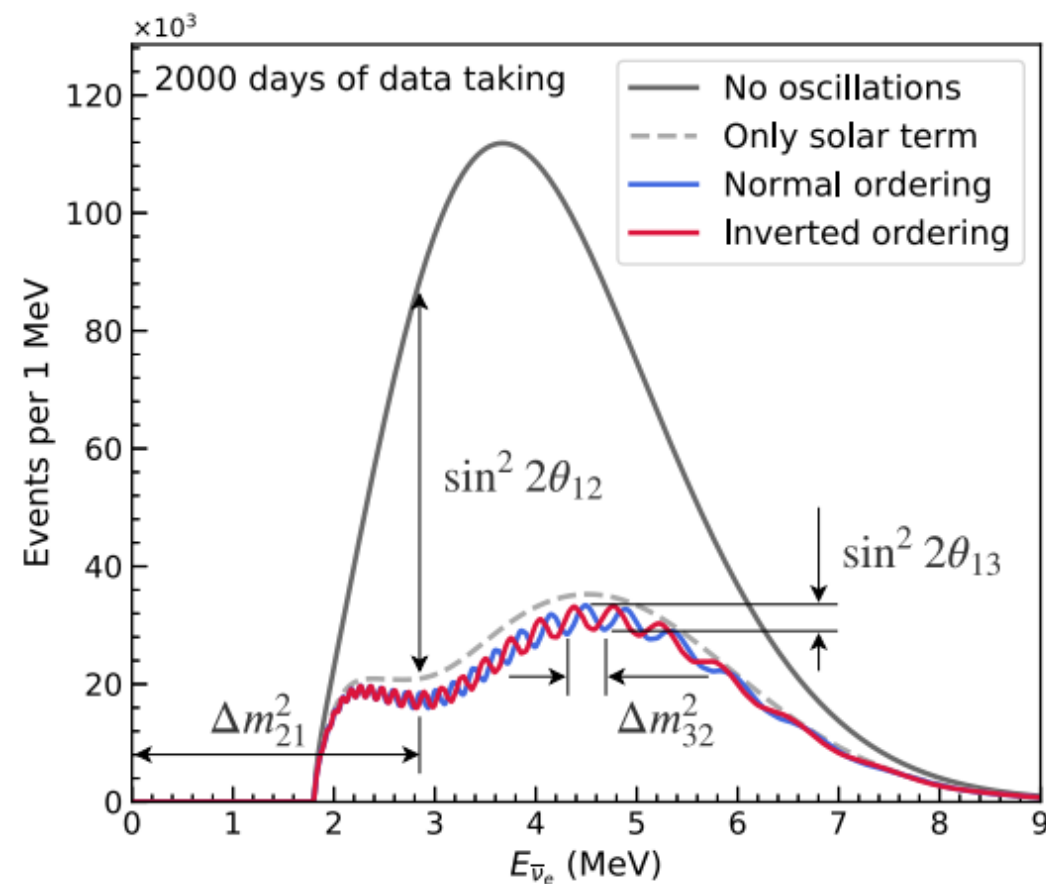
$$P_{21} = \cos^4(\theta_{13}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

$$P_{31} = \cos^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{31})$$

$$P_{32} = \sin^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{32})$$

$$\Delta_{ij} \equiv \Delta m_{ij}^2 L / 4E_\nu (\Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_i^2 - m_j^2)$$

- JUNO determines the NMO using the oscillation interplay between Δm_{31}^2 and Δm_{32}^2 at a medium reactor baseline (~ 53 km).;
- JUNO will resolve the NMO using precision spectral measurements of reactor antineutrinos;
- 3σ neutrino mass ordering sensitivity within 6 years.
- **Key: Energy resolution(3%@1MeV);**



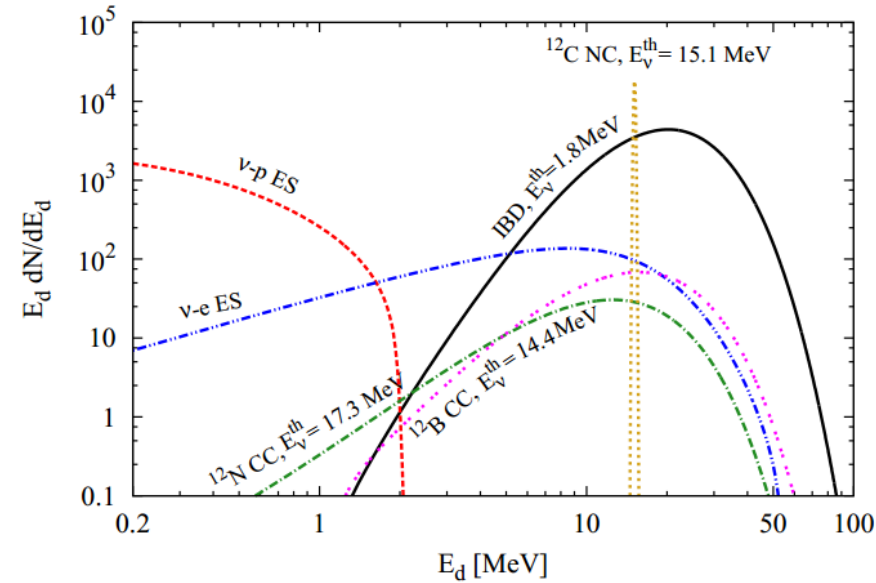
Physics Prospects

- **Supernova neutrinos**

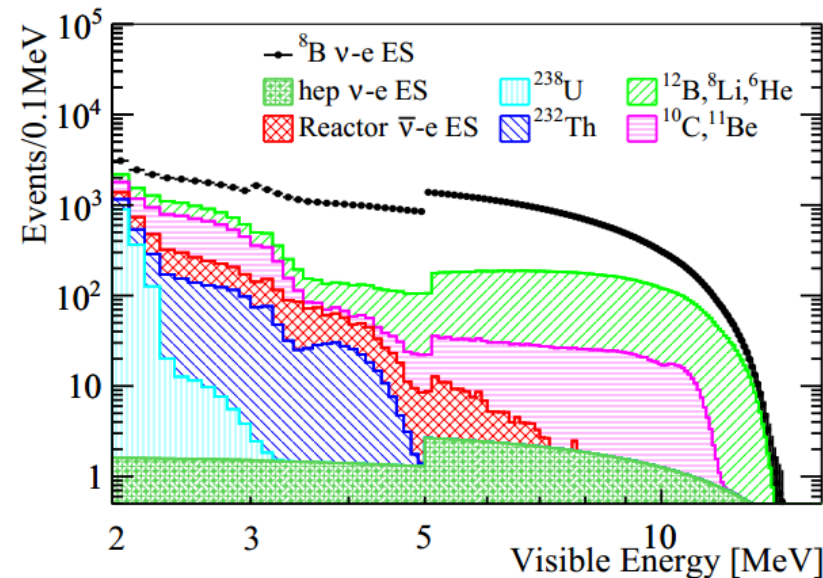
- Sensitive to flavor content, energy spectrum, time evolution;
- 10000 events (5000 via IBD) for SN @ 10kpc;

- **Solar neutrinos**

- ~60k signals and 30k backgrounds are expected in 10 years;
- Shed new light on current tension in Δm^2_{21} between solar and reactor neutrinos measurement with the same detector;



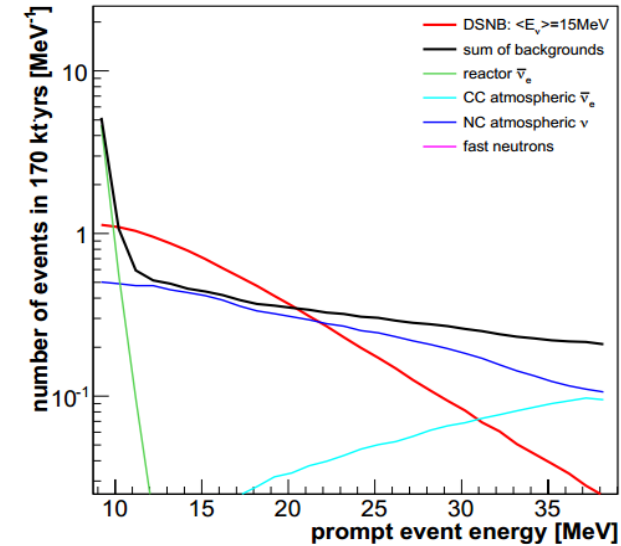
The neutrino event spectra with respect to the visible energy for a typical SN @ 10kpc



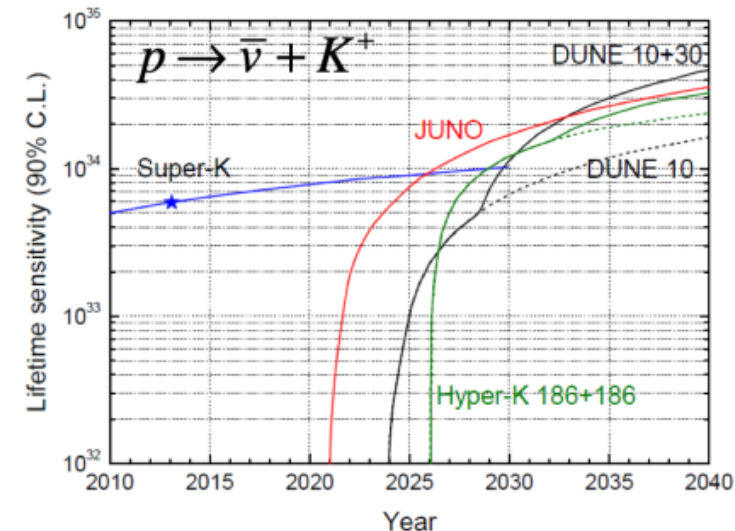
Expected signal and background spectrum of ^8B neutrino

Physics Prospects

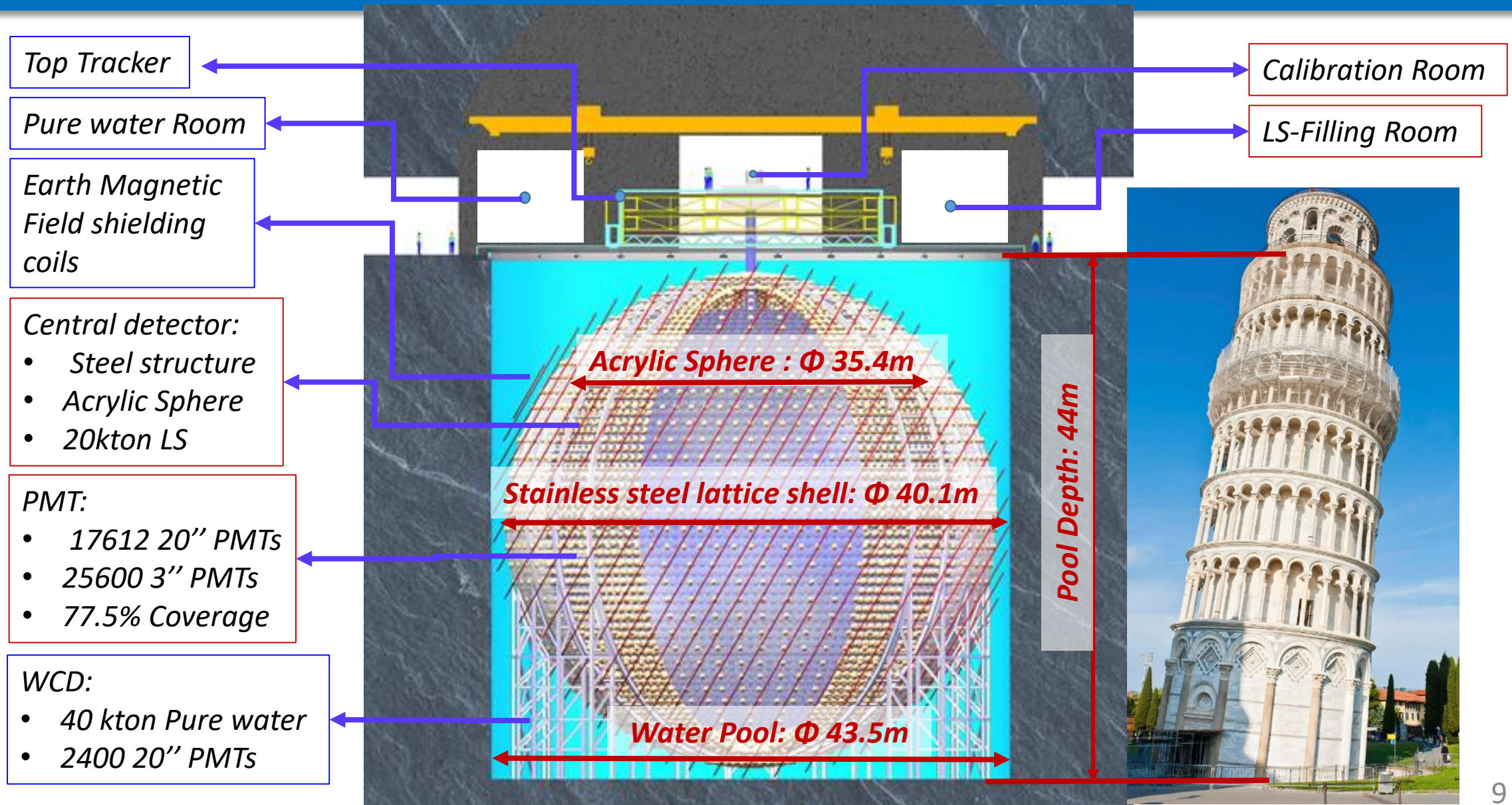
- **Diffuse Supernova Neutrino Background (DSNB)**
 - 3σ sensitivity in 10 years or strongest constraint;
 - 2-4 IBDs per year above reactor neutrino energy range;
- **Atmospheric neutrinos**
 - Complimentary neutrino mass ordering sensitivity via matter effect
- **Geo-neutrino**
 - Explore origin and thermal evolution of the Earth
 - 400 - 500 neutrinos per year
- **Proton decay**
 - Competitive sensitivity through $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + K^+$



The DSNB signal dominates in the energy range of 11-22 MeV

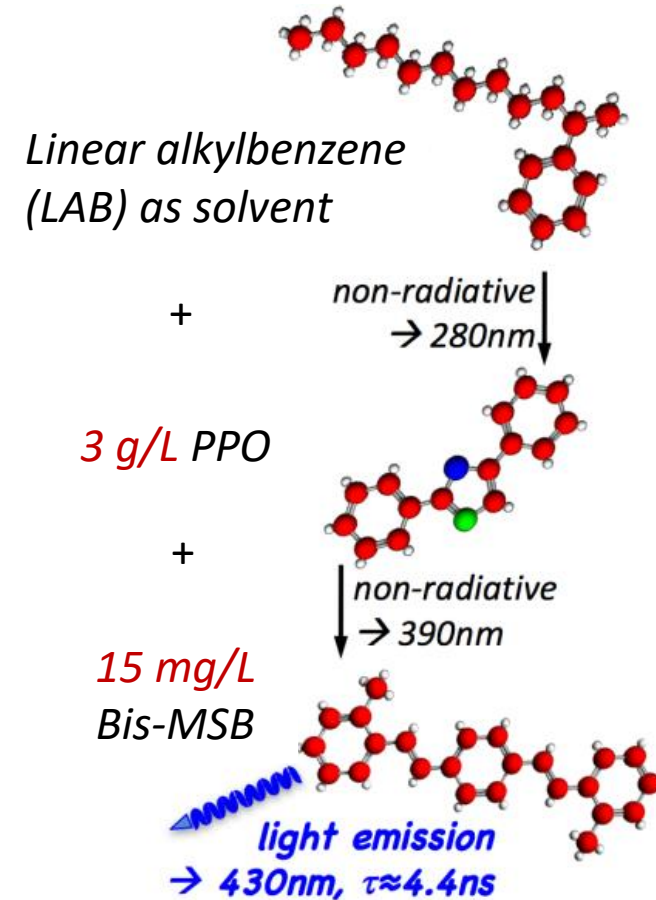


JUNO Detector



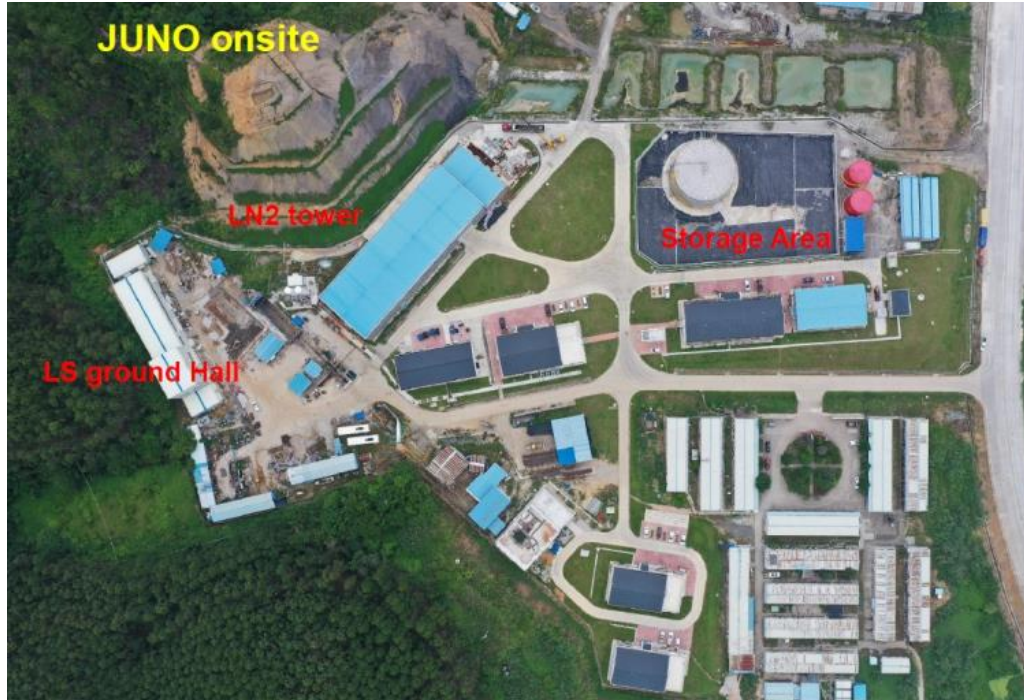
Status : Liquid Scintillator

- Using a recipe optimized from Daya Bay's experience;
- Tested and changed to be more suitable for JUNO;
- Higher light yield and more transparent;
 - 2.5g/L PPO;
 - 3mg/L Bis-MSB;
 - Filtration with Al_2O_3 column (Based on the "absorption" technique to remove the impurities and increase the attenuation length of LAB);
- Low background, 10^{-15} U/Th for reactor neutrinos and 10^{-17} U/Th for solar neutrinos;
 - Distillation: Remove heavy metal and improve transparency ;
 - Water extraction: Remove U/Th/K;
 - Gas stripping: Remove Ar/Kr/Rn;



The recipe of Daya Bay LS

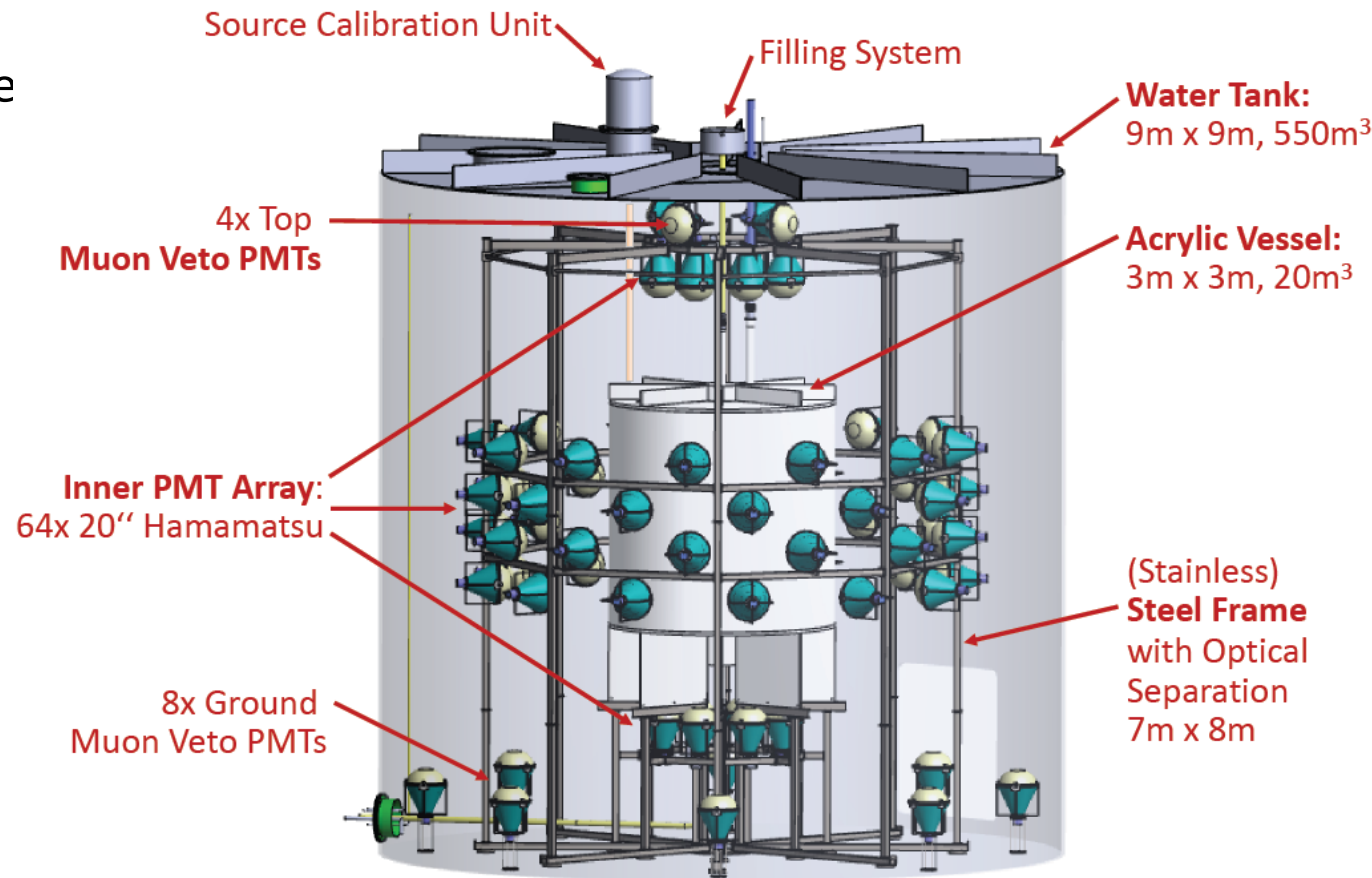
Status : Liquid Scintillator



- 5 kton LS storage tank and LN2 tower are ready, inner pressure of LS tank is ~ 0.5 bar;
- Alumina Filtration Plant has been delivered onsite;
- Other work is well in progress;

Status : OSIRIS

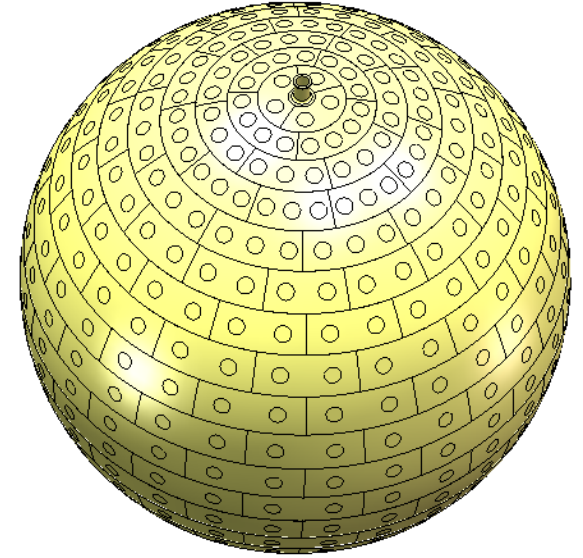
- Online Scintillator Internal Radioactivity Investigation System (OSIRIS);
- Monitor the radio-purity of the LS during the 6-months filling of JUNO, to ensure that no contaminated scintillator arrives inside CD.
- Sensitivity: 10^{-16}g/g for U/Th within 24h measurement;
- Measure ~19 t LS per day;
- Detector:
 - $\Phi 3\text{m} \times H 3\text{m}$ Acrylic tank;
 - 81 20'' PMTs for photon detection;
 - 2.5m water shielding + 12 20'' PMTs;
- Water tank is onsite, acrylic vessel is under production, others are well in progress;



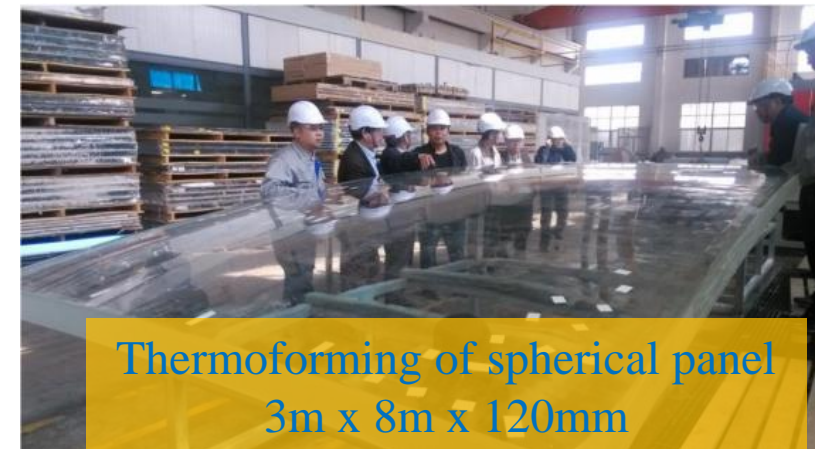
The OSIRIS facility

Status : CD Acrylic

- Central Detector(CD): Acrylic Sphere + Stainless Steel Support ;
- The acrylic sphere is composed of **265 pieces** of spherical panels;
- Thickness:120mm, **Net weight: ~600 tons**;
- Transparency > 96% in pure water;
- DonChamp won the bid at 2017.02
 - **Flat panel production finished and thermal forming is in progress;**
- Process control for low radiation background:
 - Filter in MMA material & Special reaction kettle/pipe;
 - Moulding: pure water/clean room;
 - Thermoforming: film or placket to shield the dust and radon;
 - Bonding: filled with clean air or N_2 ;
 - Shield Rn: plastic film on the surface of the acrylic;
 - Clean the inner surfaces of the acrylic sphere:
- The samples for acrylic has **met the 1ppt requirement** for U/Th;



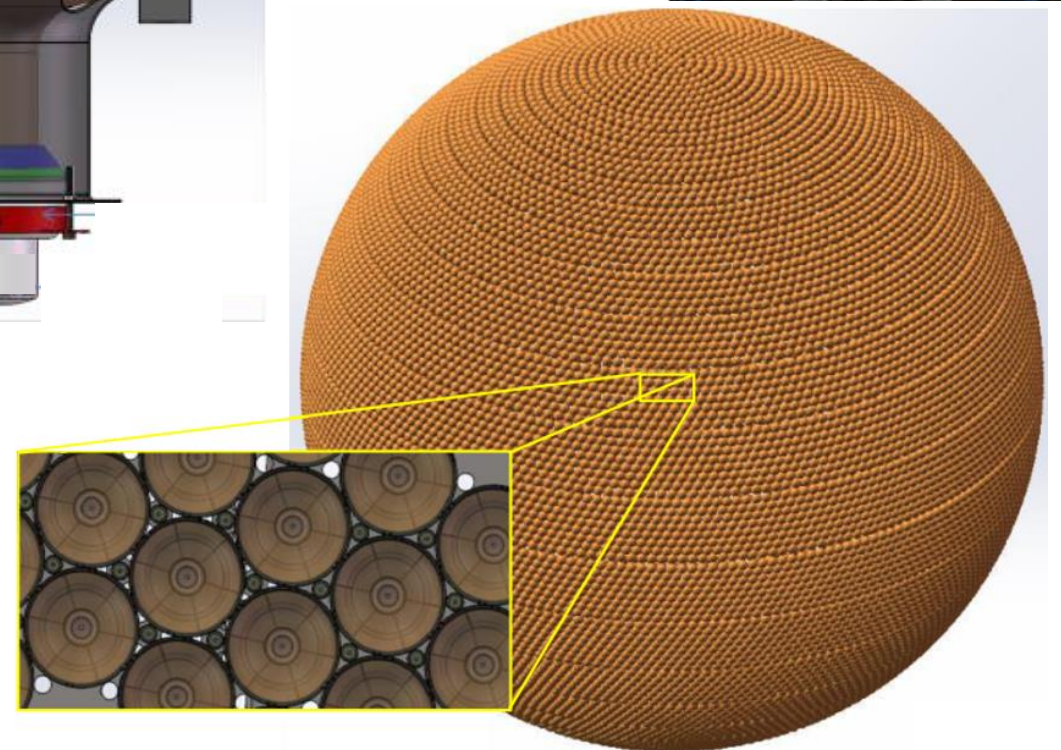
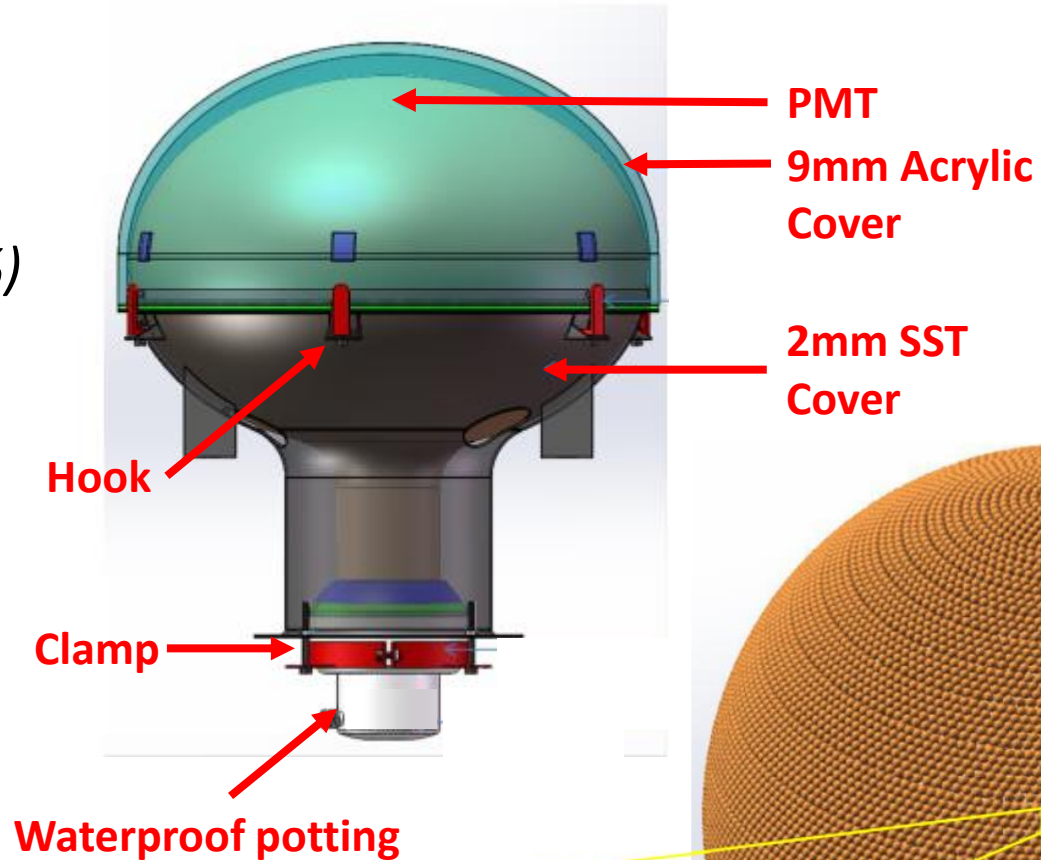
The Acrylic Sphere



*Thermoforming of spherical panel
3m x 8m x 120mm*

Status : JUNO PMTs

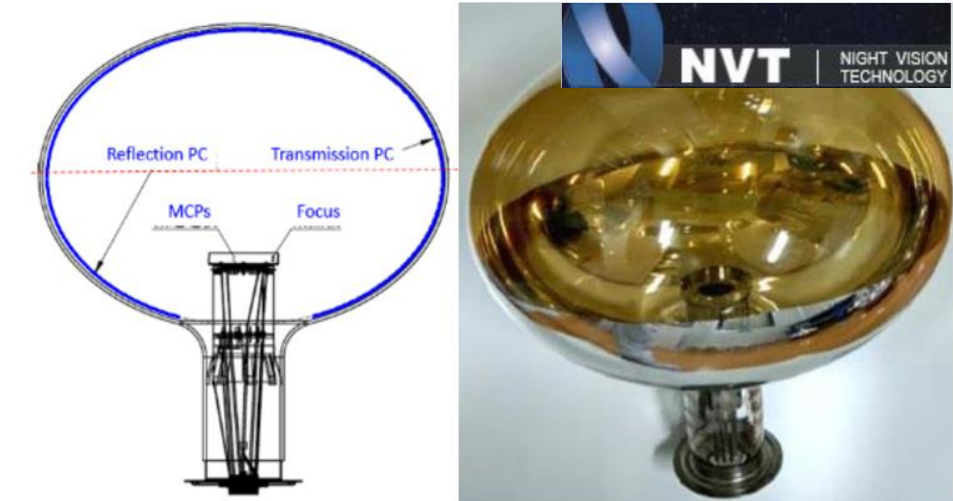
- Two sizes of PMTs will be used to fully (~78%) cover CD;
 - 17612 20'' PMTs for CD (~75%)
+ 2400 20'' PMTs for Veto;
 - 25600 3'' PMTs (~2.7%);
- Implosion protection;
- Waterproof potting;
- Custom-made divider and electronics;
 - All PMTs will be tested before and after potting;



Status : Large PMT

- Two types of 20" PMTs will be used:
 - 15,000 Micro-channel plates PMTs (MCP-PMT, NNVT);
 - 5,000 Dynode PMTs (Hamamatsu, R12860HQE);
- MCP-PMTs are custom designed and manufactured for JUNO;
- Bare PMT testing completed, mass potting is on-going;

Characteristic	Unit	MCP-PMT	Dynode PMT
Detection efficiency (QE*DE)	%	28.7	28.1
P/V of SPE	ns	3.5, >2.8	3, >2.5
TTS on top point	ns	~12, <15	2.7, <3.5
Rise/Fall time	ns	2/12	5/9
Anode dark count	Hz	20K, <30K	10K, <50K
After pulse rate	%	1, <2	10, <15
Radioactivity of glass	ppb	²³⁸ U: 75 ²³² Th: 74 ⁴⁰ K: 4	²³⁸ U: 400 ²³² Th: 400 ⁴⁰ K: 40



Status : Small PMT

- Improve the energy scale precision, in particular, the coupling of non-linearity and non-uniformity.
 - SPMTs almost always **work at SPE mode for IBD events** and are expected to have almost zero dynamic range, hence virtually **no non-linearity**, thus providing a linear reference to LPMT;
- 25600 3'' PMTs contracted to HZC, **the production and bare tests are done, test after potting is ongoing;**

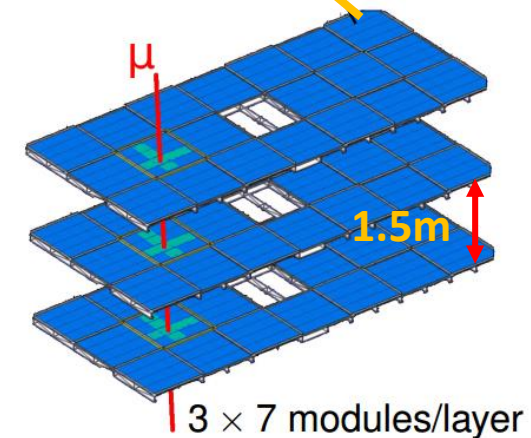
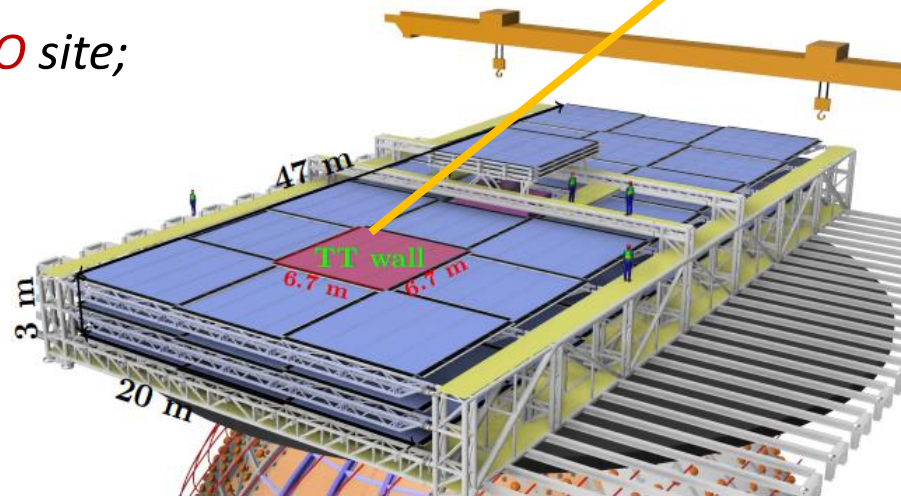
Parameters	Unit	Requirement	Data/Mean
Detection efficiency (QE*CE)	%	>22(Mean>24)	24.9
HV@2*10 ⁶ gain	V	900-1300	1113
SPE resolution	%	<45(Mean<35)	33.2
P-V ration		>2(Mean>3)	3.2
Dark Rate@0.25P.E.		<1.8K(Mean<1K)	512
SPE TTS(FWHM)	ns	<5	3.7
QE non-uniformity	%	<11	4.9
Effective Diameter of cathode	mm	>74(Mean>76)	77.2
Spectral response range	%	QE320>5	10.2
		QE550>5	8.6



3'' PMTs

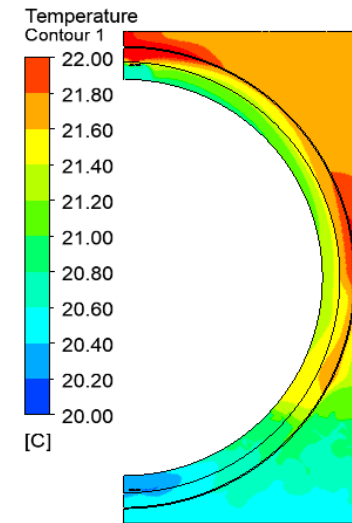
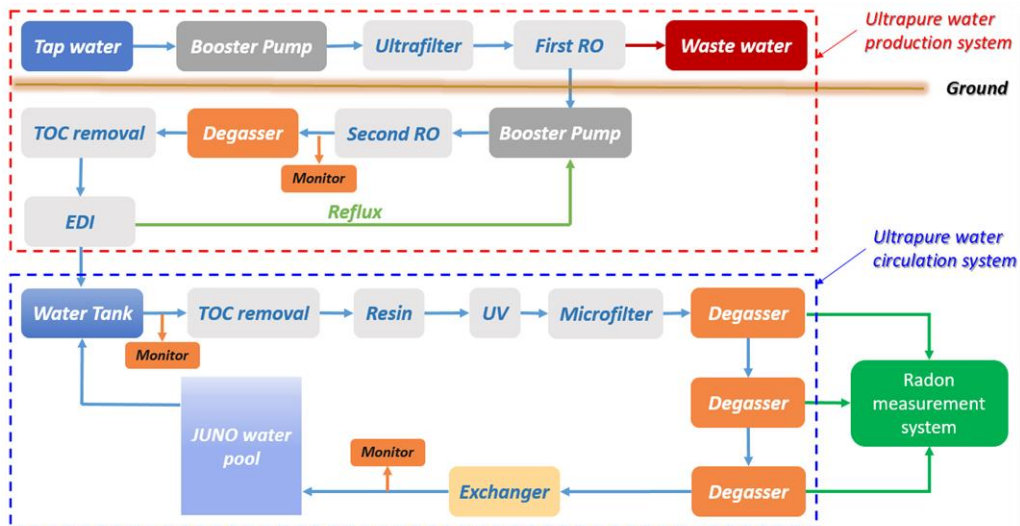
Status : Top Tracker

- The top tracker(TT) precisely measure the muon tracking and provide valuable information for cosmic muon induced background study;
- Reusing the *plastic scintillators from OPERA Target Tracker* ;
 - 62 modules covered half of the top area;
 - 3 TT layers spaced by 1.5 m ,each layer have x,y readout;
- New electronics cards being designed to account for *100 × higher radioactivity* from rock in JUNO site ;
- The plastic modules are *already at JUNO site* ;
 - No significant aging observed;

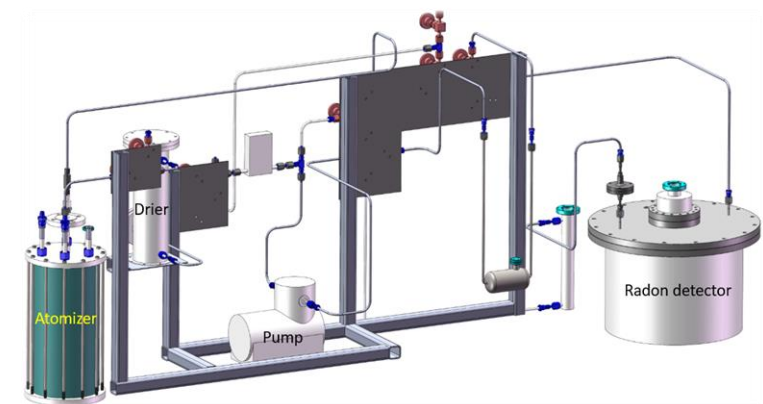
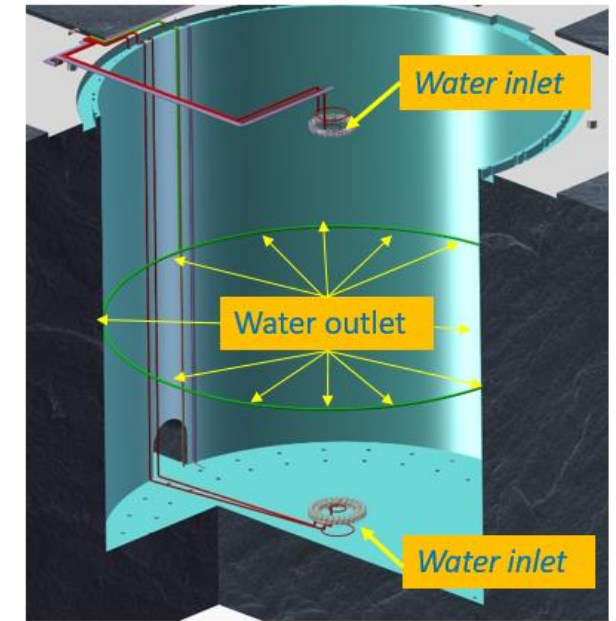


Status : Water Cherenkov Detector

- A pool filled with 35 ktons of ultrapure water and instrumented with 2400 MCP-PMTs to form the water Cherenkov detector;
- Muon tagging efficiency is $\sim 99.5\%$;
- Fast neutron background $\sim 0.1/\text{day}$;
- Water System:
 - Radon in water for JUNO prototype : $< 10\text{mBq}/\text{m}^3$;
 - Calculation results show $20^\circ\text{C} < T_{\text{water}} < 22^\circ\text{C}$;



Temperature distribution

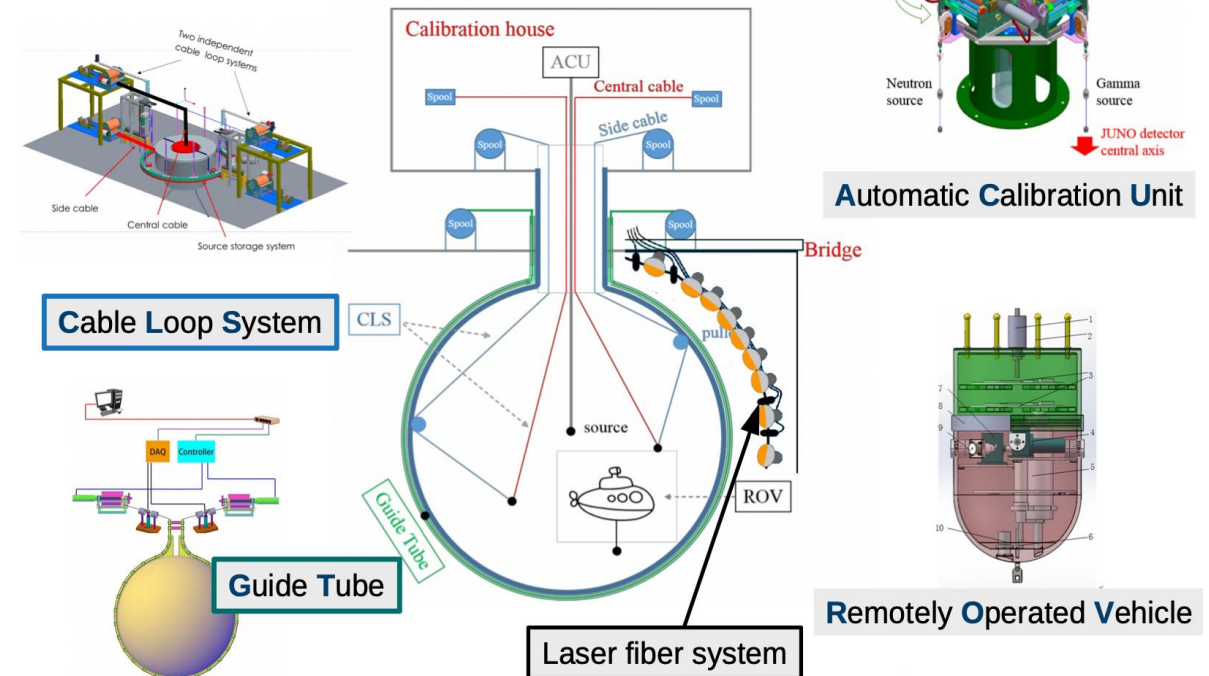


Radon measurement system

Status : Calibration system

- The calibration system need to accurately address both the non-uniformity and non-linearity in the detector energy response ;
- Energy scale uncertainty < 1%;
- Four complementary subsystems:
 - 1-D: Automated calibration unit(ACU);
→ Scan the central axis;
 - 2-D: Cable loop system(CLS);
→ Scan vertical plane;
 - 2-D: Guide tube calibration system(GTCS);
→ Scan CD outer surface;
 - 3-D: Remotely operated vehicle(ROV);
→ Full detector scan;
- Radioactive Sources:
 - γ 、 e^+ 、 n sources
 - ^{137}Cs 、 ^{54}Mn 、 ^{60}Co 、 ^{40}K 、 ^{68}Ge 、 $^{241}\text{Am-Be}$ 、 $^{241}\text{Am-}^{13}\text{C}$;

Calibration systems



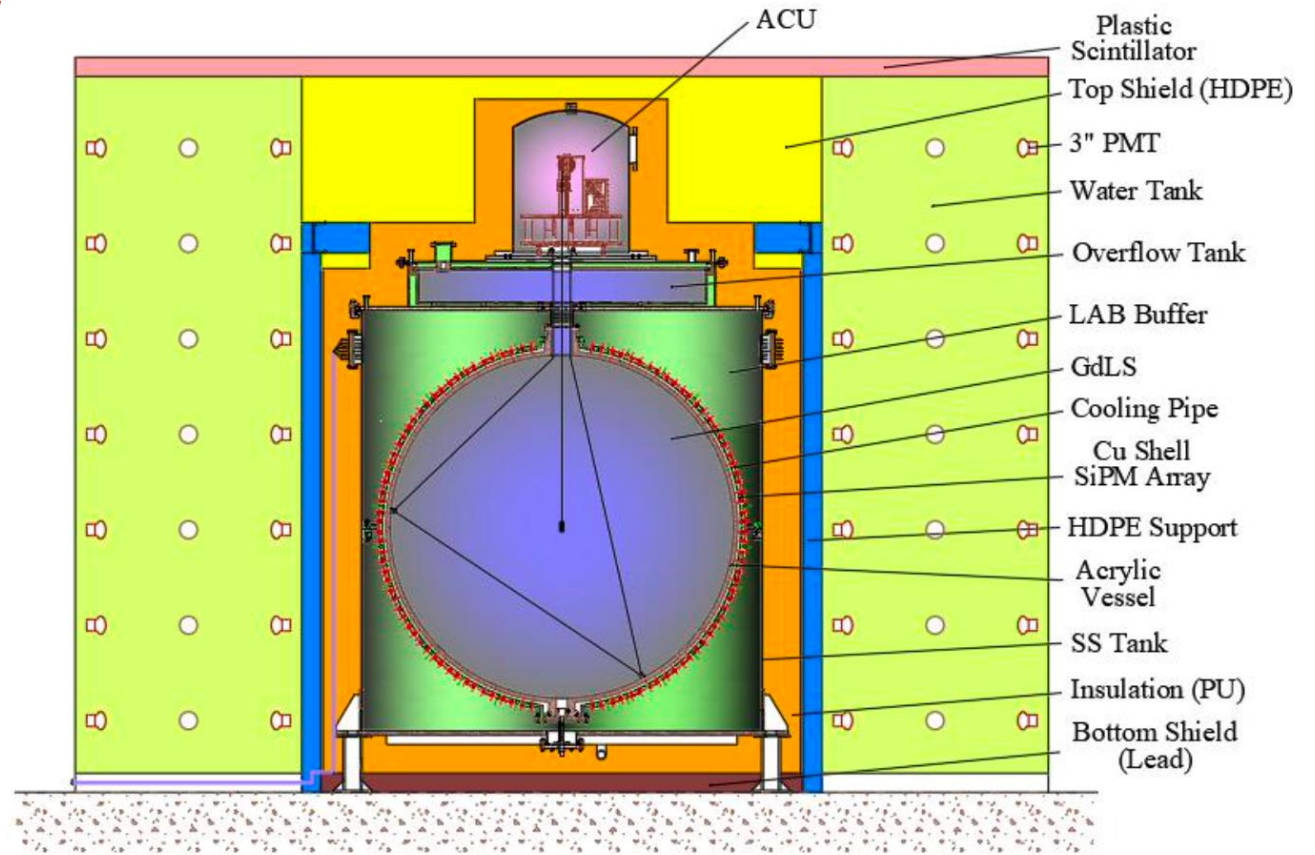
Status : JUNO-TAO

- *Taishan Antineutrino Observatory (TAO), a ton-level, high energy resolution LS detector at 30m from the core, a satellite experiment of JUNO;*
- *To measure the fine structure of the reactor neutrino spectrum, and **eliminate the model dependence** of JUNO MO determination;*
- *TAO will be located at Taishan nuclear power plant;*
 - *4.6 GW_{th} in operation;*
 - *Spacious room at **10 m underground**;*
 - ***~30m** horizontally from core;*
- *Event rate: **~2000 IBD/day**;*
- *Energy resolution: **~2%@1MeV**;*



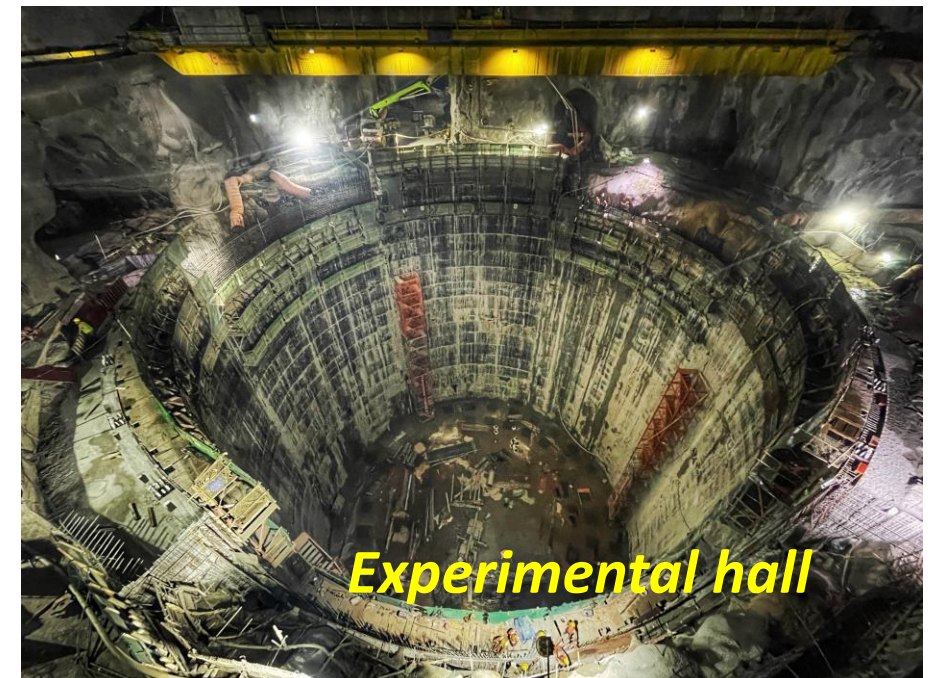
R&D status : TAO

- Target:
 - Gd-LS, 2.6 ton in total and **1 ton fiducial** volume;
- Detector:
 - **Gd-LS + Acrylic + LAB + SiPM;**
- Full coverage with SiPMs, $PDE > 50\%$
- Light yield: 4500 P.E./MeV;
- Operated at -50 Centigrade (SiPM dark noise);
- **A 1:1 prototype is under construction and it will be tested without full SiPM;**
- **TAO is expected to start operation in 2022;**



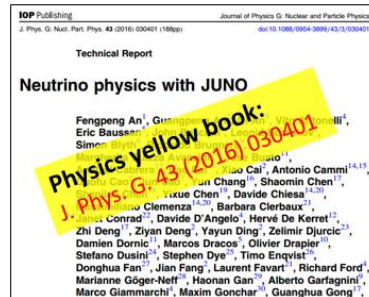
R&D status : Civil construction

- **Blasting completed on Dec. 30, 2020 ;**
- **We are in the period of transition from civil construction to experimental installation;**



Milestones & Schedule

Collaboration 2014



2014

- International collaboration established;

2015

- PMT production line setup
- CD parts R&D
- Civil construction start

2016

- PMT production start
- CD parts production start
- Yellow book published

2017

- PMT testing start
- TT arrived

2018

- PMT potting
- Start delivery of surface building
- Start production of acrylic sphere

2020

- Civil construction completed
- Electronics mass production

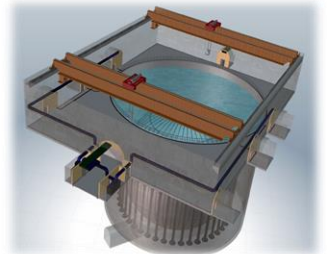
2021-2023

- Detector installation,
- Detector ready for data taking

Neutrino detected



Surface Buildings



Summary

- ***JUNO: Rich neutrino physics prospects***
 - *Determine MO with 3-4 σ with 6 years data;*
 - *Measure the neutrino oscillation parameters $\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$, Δm^2_{21} , and $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$ to a precision of better than 0.6%;*
 - *Study neutrinos from supernova、the Sun、the Earth;*
 - *.....;*
- ***The detector: A massive LS detector with excellent energy resolution***
 - *The largest acrylic sphere ever constructed;*
 - *20 ktons of highly transparent LS;*
 - *Instrumented with 20000 20'' PMTs and 25600 3'' PMTs;*
 - *4 calibration subsystems;*
 - *Reference measurement of reactor neutrino energy spectrum with TAO;*
- ***Experimental installation will start soon, data taking expected to start in 2023 .***

Thanks for your attention!