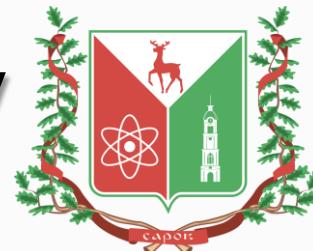




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Status of tritium neutrino experiment in Sarov



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The Sarov tritium neutrino experiment is a part of the research program of the National Center for Physics and Mathematics founded in 2021



The main goals of the experiment are

- first observation of coherent elastic neutrino-atom scattering (CE ν AS)
- search for neutrino magnetic moment

using a high-intensity tritium neutrino source: at least 1 kg, possibly up to 4 kg of tritium

OUTLINE

✓ Physics introduction

- CE ν AS
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- observe CE ν AS channel & search for μ_ν

✓ Si and CsI detector concepts

- search for μ_ν with atomic ionization channel

✓ Summary and outlook

CE ν AS: Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Atom Scattering

Yu. V. Gaponov and V. N. Tikhonov,

Elastic scattering of low energy neutrinos by atomic systems,

Yad. Fiz. (USSR) 26 (1977) 594 (in Russian).

Abstract. Elastic scattering of low energy neutrinos by atomic systems is treated. For the V variant of weak interaction scattering on the total system (on electrons, protons and neutrons) is coherent; for the A variant neutrino scatters coherently on using simple atomic systems. The result for an arbitrary atom is presented. **The analysis shows that at neutrino energies $\lesssim 10$ keV a region of coherent optical neutrino phenomena exists where the neutrino elastic scattering by an atom as a whole dominates.**

So far there is no corresponding experimental observation. An experimental study of CE ν AS could provide a unique test of the SM neutrino interactions at very low energies.

CE ν AS vs CE ν NS

CE ν NS: Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

predicted by D. Z. Freedman, PRD 9 (1974) 1389;

V. B. Kopeliovich & L. L. Frankfurt, ZhETF Pis. Red. 19, No. 4 (1974) 236

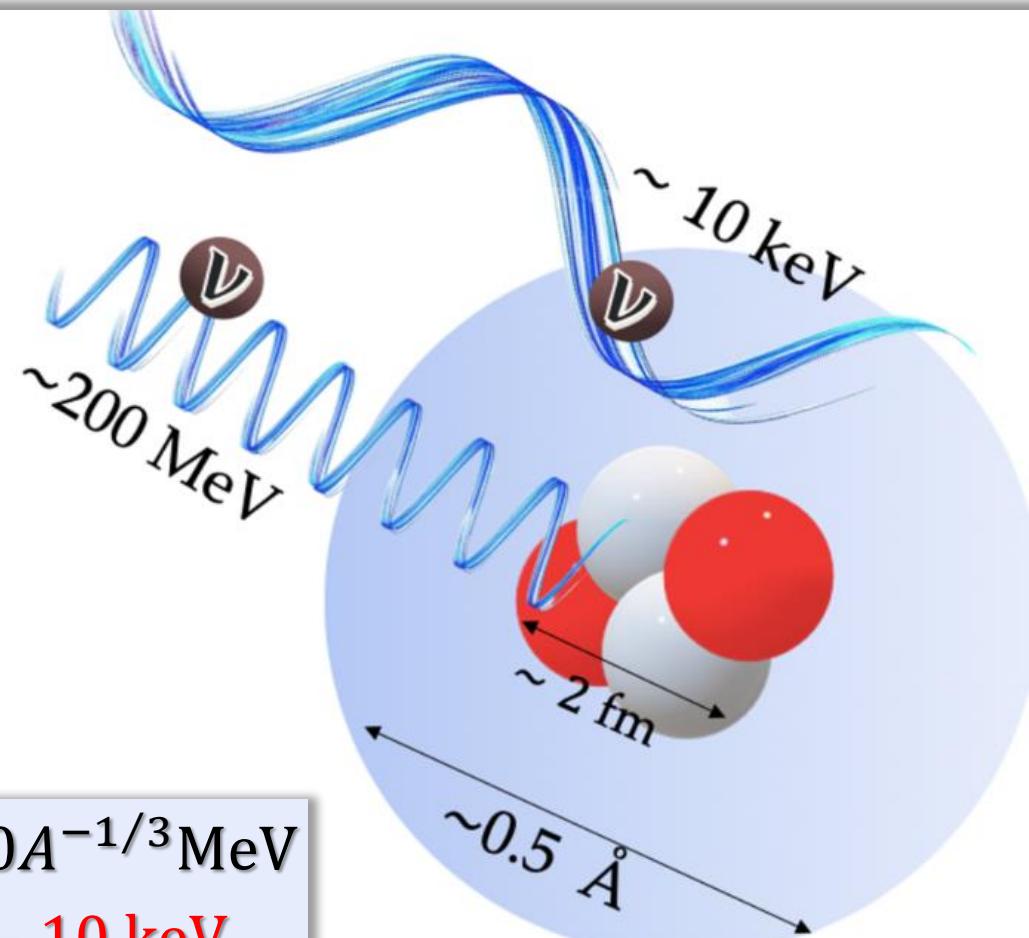
observed by D. Akimov et al. (COHERENT Collab.), Science 357 (2017) 1123

CE ν NS

- $|\vec{q}|R_{\text{nuc}} \ll 1$

\vec{q} is the momentum transfer

R_{nuc} is the nuclear radius



CE ν AS

- $|\vec{q}|R_{\text{atom}} \ll 1$

R_{atom} is the atomic radius

$$\text{CE}\nu\text{NS: } E_\nu \lesssim 1/R_{\text{nuc}} \sim 200A^{-1/3}\text{MeV}$$

$$\text{CE}\nu\text{AS: } E_\nu \lesssim 1/R_{\text{atom}} \sim 1 - 10 \text{ keV}$$

Global map of CE ν NS experiments

Experiments

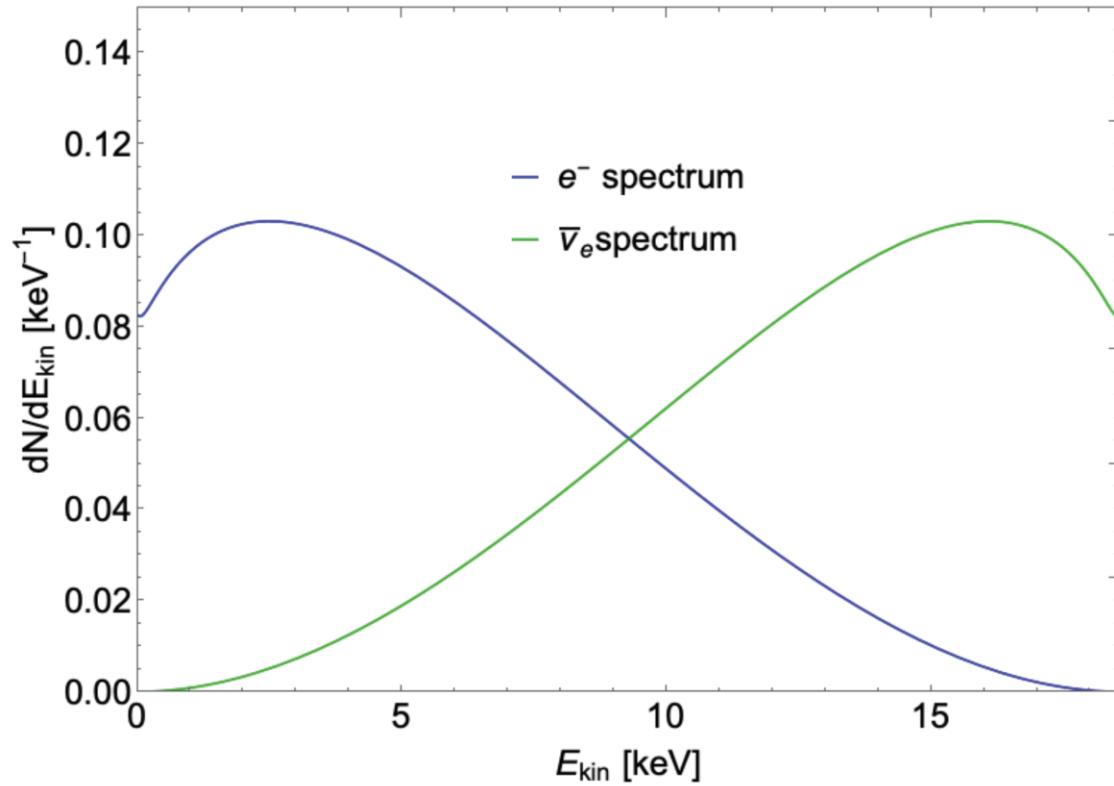
- Stopped-pion beams $E_\nu \sim$ few tens of MeV
- Nuclear reactors $E_\nu \sim$ few MeV



- Future/Planned

[C. Bonifazi, Neutrino 2022]

Tritium neutrinos



$$Q = 18.6 \text{ keV}$$

$$t_{1/2} = 12.3 \text{ yrs}$$

$$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 12.9 \text{ keV}$$

In contrast to stopped-pion beams ($\langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 30 \text{ MeV}$) and nuclear reactors ($\langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$), with a tritium neutrino source it is possible to fulfill the coherence condition in elastic neutrino-atom scattering

Atomic recoil energy scale in CE ν AS

From energy-momentum conservation it follows that

$$T \leq \frac{2E_\nu^2}{m}$$

T is energy transfer, or atomic recoil energy

m is atomic mass, $m \approx A$ GeV

If $E_\nu \sim 10$ keV: $T \lesssim \frac{200}{A}$ meV

For the lightest atom ($A=1$): $T \lesssim 200$ meV

Light atomic targets, such as H or He, are needed to observe CE ν AS

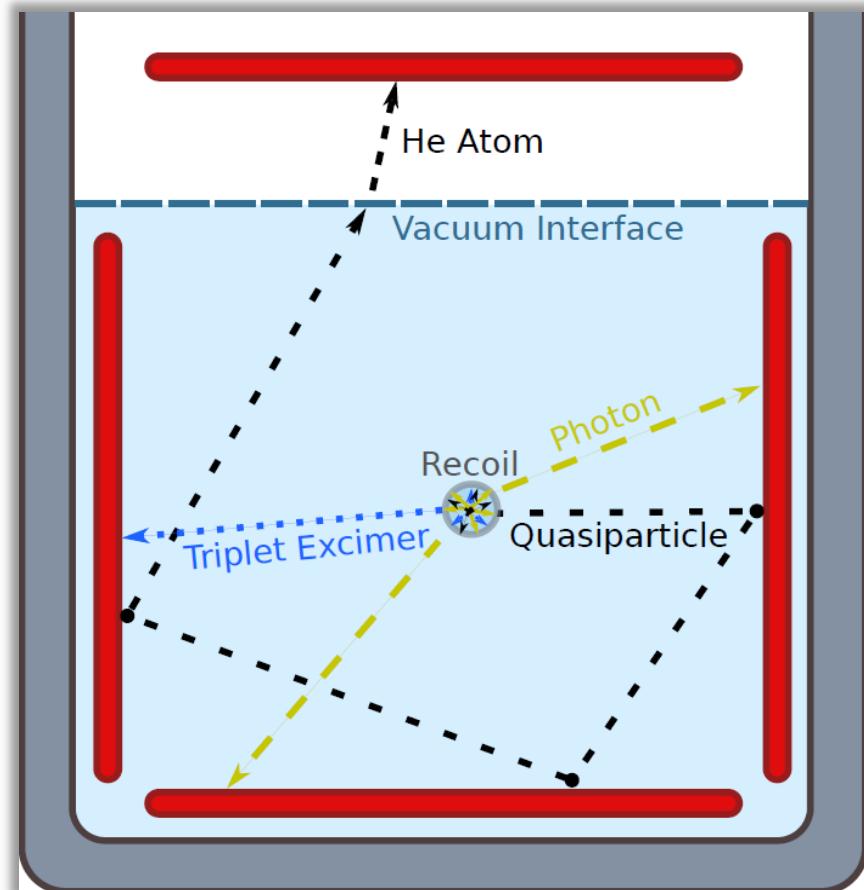
Proposals for light dark matter searches with He II

SPICE/HeRALD [*R. Anthony-Petersen et al., arXiv:2307.11877v1 [physics.ins-det]*]

DELight [*B. von Krosigk et al., arXiv:2209.10950v1 [hep-ex]*]

Advantages of superfluid He target:

- extreme intrinsic radiopurity
- high impedance to external vibration noise
- unique “quantum evaporation” signal channel enabling the detection of quasiparticle modes (rotons and phonons) via liberation of ${}^4\text{He}$ atoms into a vacuum



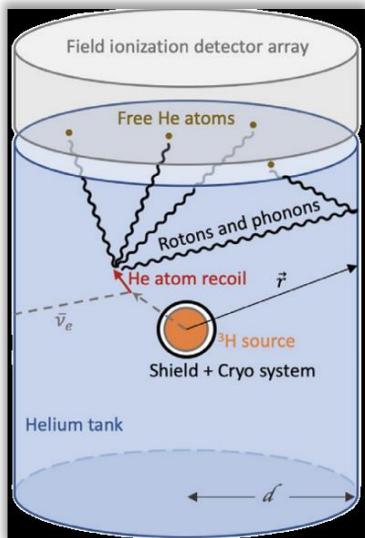
S.A. Hertel et al., PRD 100 (2019) 092007

Fig. Simplified detector layout

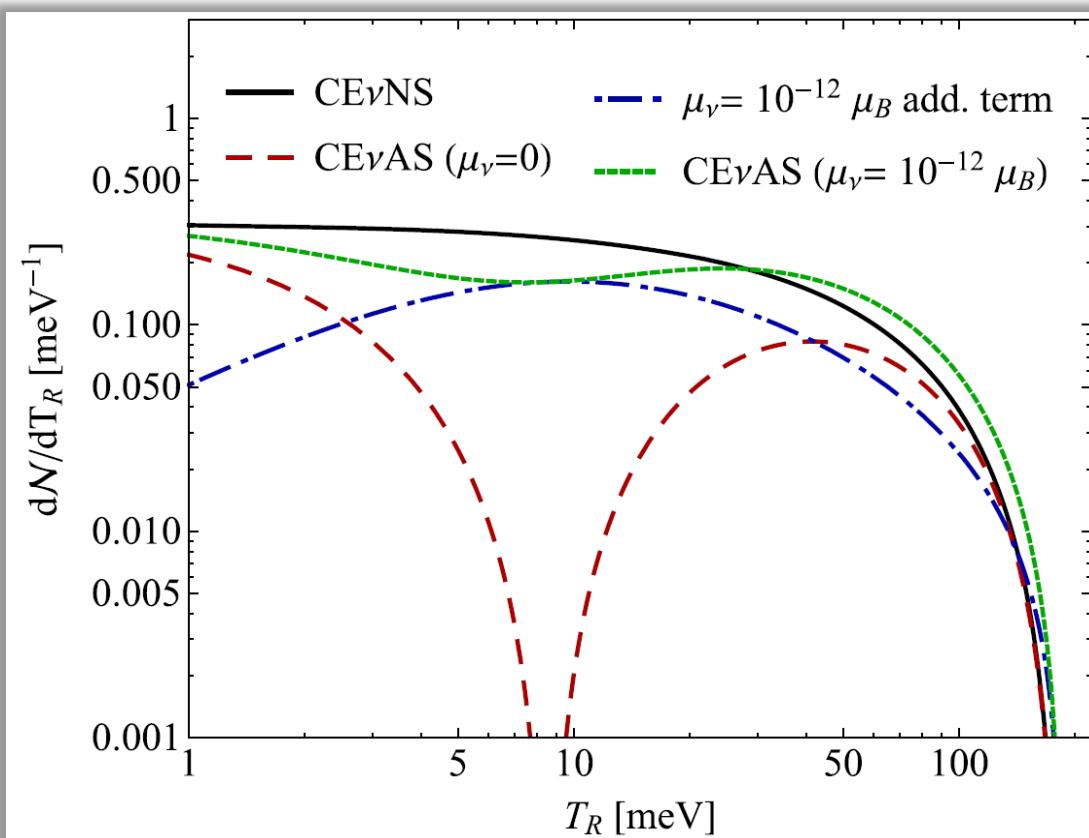
He-4 atomic recoil spectrum with tritium $\bar{\nu}_e$

M. Cadeddu, F. Dordei, C. Giunti, K. Kouzakov, E. Picciau, A. Studenikin, PRD 100 (2019) 073014

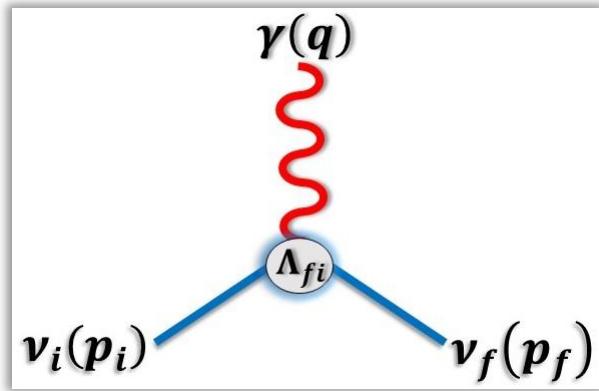
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{SM}}}{dT_R} = \frac{G_F^2 m}{\pi} \left[Z \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W \right) - \frac{1}{2} N + Z \left(\frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^2 \theta_W \right) F_{\text{el}}(q^2) \right]^2 \left(1 - \frac{m T_R}{2 E_\nu^2} \right)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\mu_\nu}}{dT_R} = \frac{\pi \alpha^2 Z^2}{m_e^2} |\mu_\nu|^2 \left(\frac{1}{T_R} - \frac{1}{E_\nu} \right) [1 - F_{\text{el}}(q^2)]^2 \quad \text{with} \quad q^2 = 2m T_R$$



500 kg of helium
60 g of tritium
5 yrs of taking data



Why neutrino magnetic moment?



C. Giunti and A. Studenikin,
Neutrino electromagnetic interactions:
A window to new physics,
Rev. Mod. Phys. **87** (2015) 531;
[arXiv:1403.6344](https://arxiv.org/abs/1403.6344)

The effective neutrino electromagnetic vertex under the Lorentz and gauge invariance:

$$\Lambda_\mu^{(\text{EM};\nu)fi}(q) = \left(\gamma_\mu - \frac{q_\mu q}{q^2} \right) \left[f_Q^{fi}(q^2) - q^2 f_A^{fi}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right] - i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \left[f_M^{fi}(q^2) + i f_E^{fi}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right]$$

In the minimally extended SM with addition of right-handed massive Dirac neutrinos:

$$\mu_\nu \simeq 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \mu_B \left(\frac{m_\nu}{1 \text{ eV}} \right)$$

K. Fujikawa and R. Shrock,
PRL **45** (1980) 963

$m_\nu < 0.8 \text{ eV}$ at 90% CL
M. Aker et al. (*The KATRIN Collaboration*),
Nature Physics **18** (2022) 160

Much greater μ_ν values are predicted beyond the minimally extended SM

World leading upper bounds on μ_ν

Laboratory bounds (elastic $\nu - e^-$ scattering)

solar neutrinos (XENONnT)

A. Khan, Phys. Lett. B **837** (2023) 137650

$$\mu_\nu < 6.3 \times 10^{-12} \mu_B$$

CE ν NS bounds

V. De Romeri et al., JHEP **04** (2023) 035

$$\mu_{\nu_e} < 3.8 \times 10^{-9} \mu_B$$

$$\mu_{\nu_\mu} < 2.6 \times 10^{-9} \mu_B$$

reactor neutrinos (GEMMA)

A. Beda et al., Adv. High Energy Phys. **2012** (2012) 350150

$$\mu_{\nu_e} < 2.9 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B$$

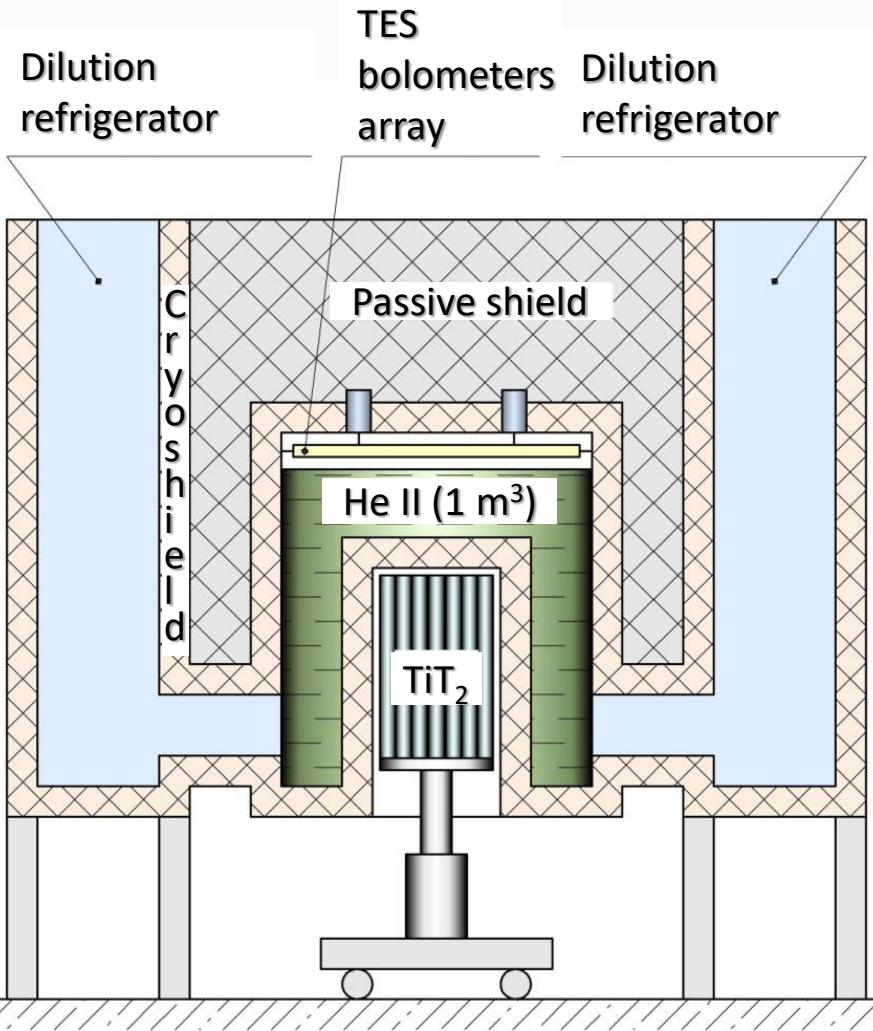
Astrophysical bounds (luminosity of globular cluster stars)

N. Viaux et al., Astron. & Astrophys. **558** (2013) A12; *S. Arceo-Diaz et al, Astropart. Phys.* **70** (2015) 1; *F. Capozzi and G. Raffelt, Phys. Rev. D* **102** (2020) 083007

$$\mu_\nu < (1.2 - 2.6) \times 10^{-12} \mu_B$$

With CE ν AS, we could improve the CE ν NS limits by four orders of magnitude, and the world leading limits by an order of magnitude

He II detector concept to study CE ν AS

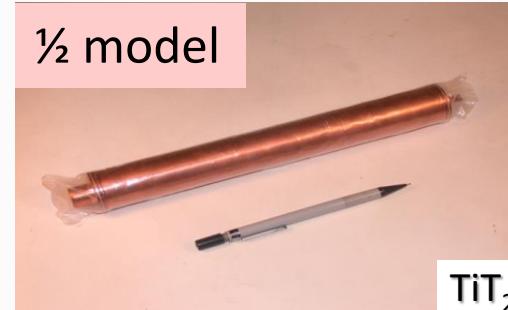


Tritium neutrino source

(1-4 kg, 10-40 MCi)

- Tubular copper elements with TiT₂

½ model



TiT₂

Helium II detector (1000 L)

- Liquid He-4 at 40-60 mK
- Array of ~1000 TESs (transition edge sensors)
- ~1000-channel SQUID readout

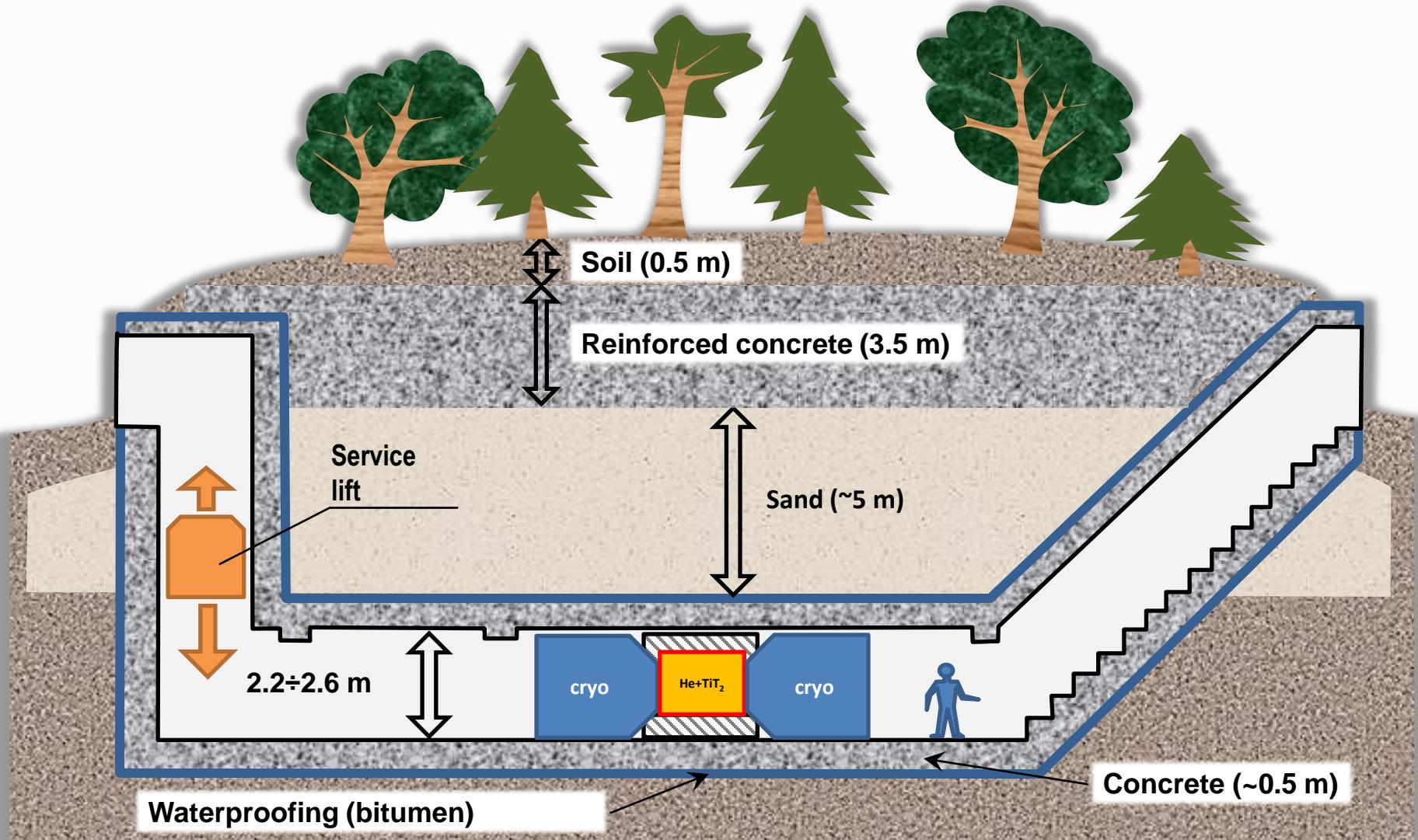
Expected results after 5 years of data collection

Number of CE ν AS events within SM: **~60 for 1 kg of T₂ and ~200 for 4 kg of T₂**

Sensitivity to neutrino magnetic moment: $\mu_\nu \sim (2-4) \times 10^{-13} \mu_B$ at 90% C.L.

Low-background neutrino laboratory in Sarov

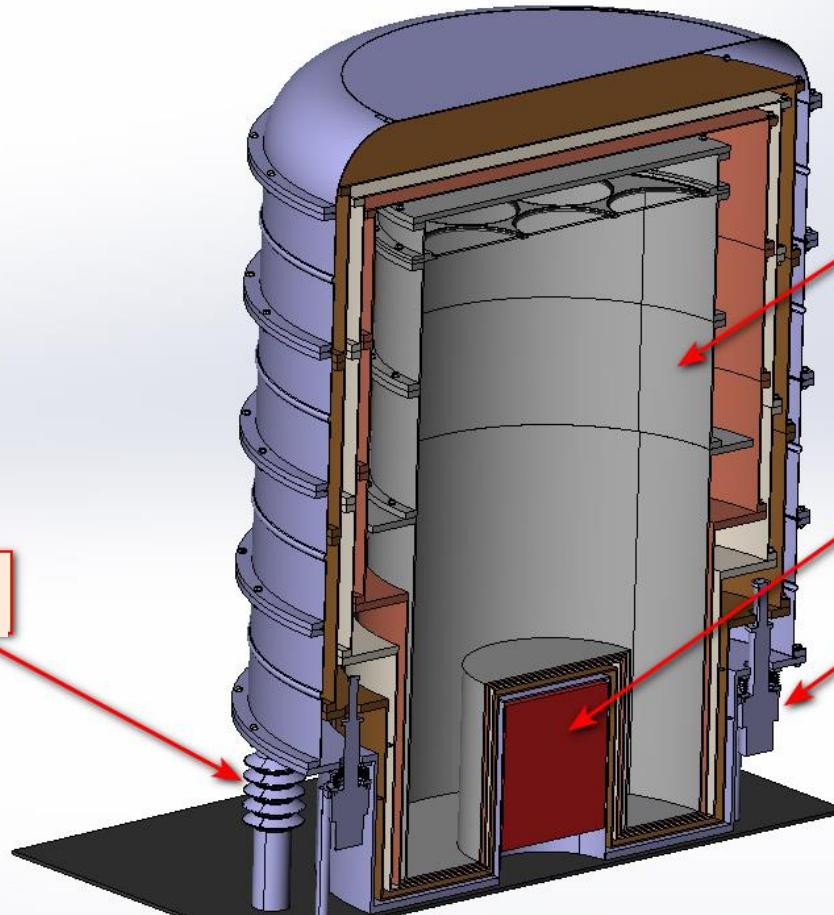
@ All-Russian Research Institute of Experimental Physics, RFNC



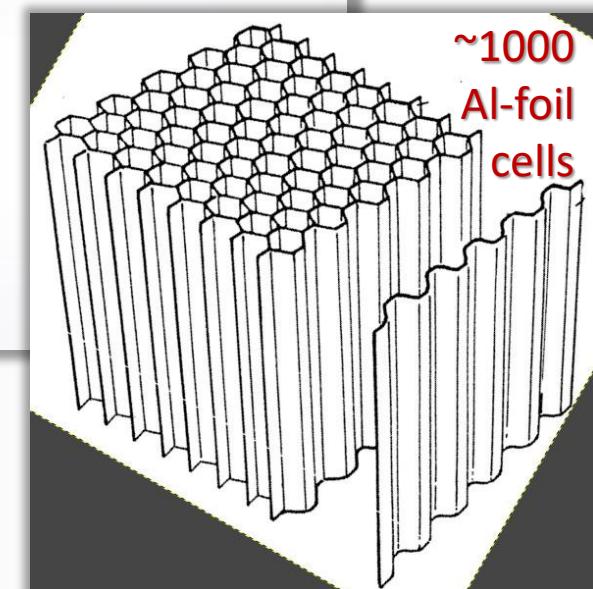
The **overburden of ~ 18 m.w.e.** stops the soft and hadronic components of cosmic radiation but **is not enough to sufficiently suppress the muon flux**

Discrimination of background events

General view of the cryostat



Segmentation of the He detector is
the key to background discrimination



Atomic ionization channel

When the energy transfer T exceeds the maximal atomic recoil energy

$$T > T_R^{\max} = \frac{2E_{\nu}^2}{m}$$

the elastic neutrino-atom scattering channel is closed

Open channels:

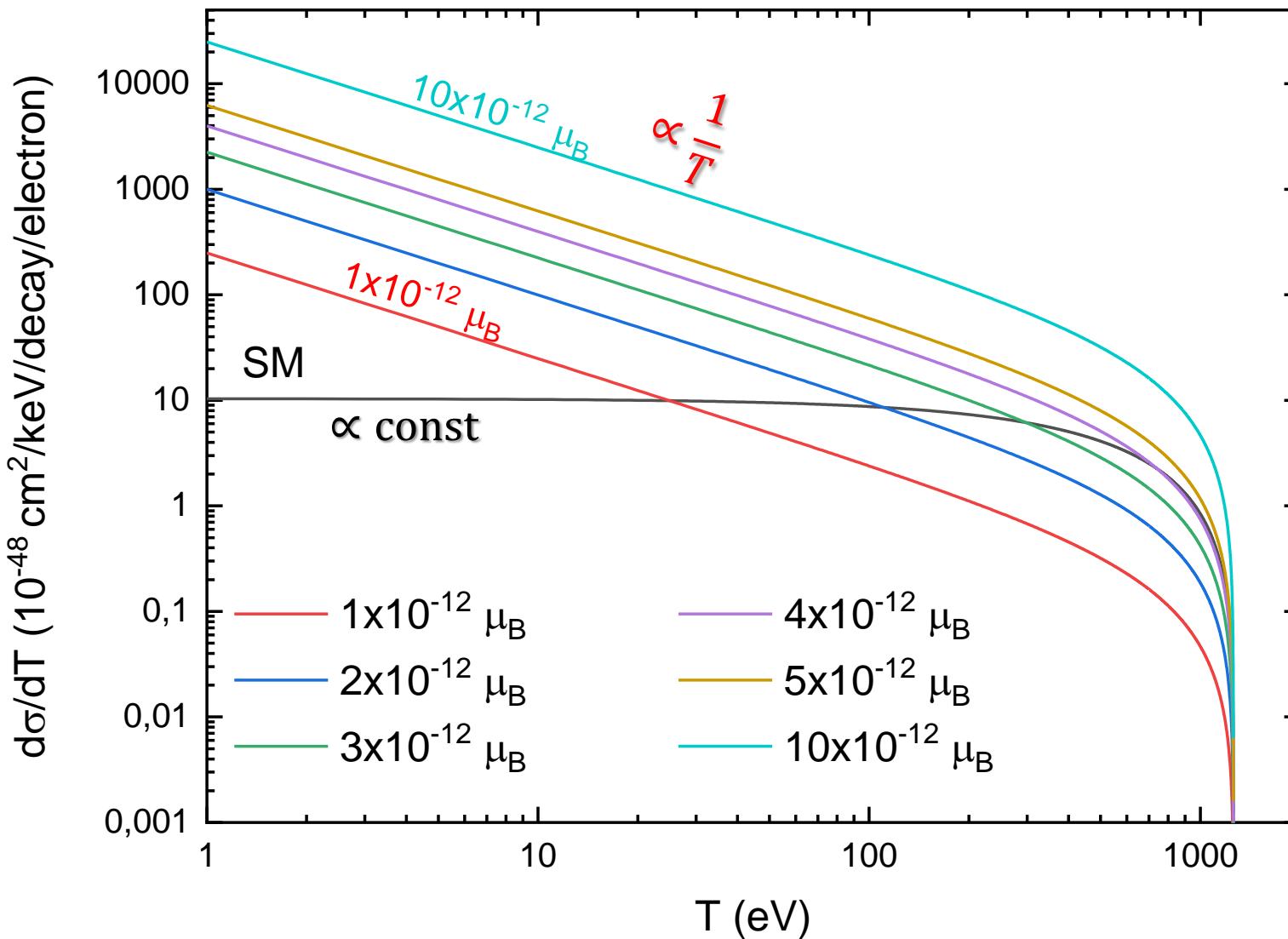


\mathcal{E}_X and I_X are atomic excitation and ionization energies

World leading laboratory constraints on μ_{ν} , like those from XENONnT and GEMMA, are obtained by studying the atomic ionization channel

Ionization cross section for tritium $\bar{\nu}_e$ on Si

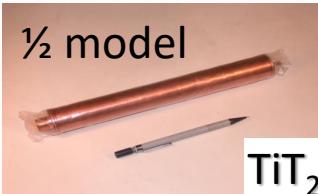
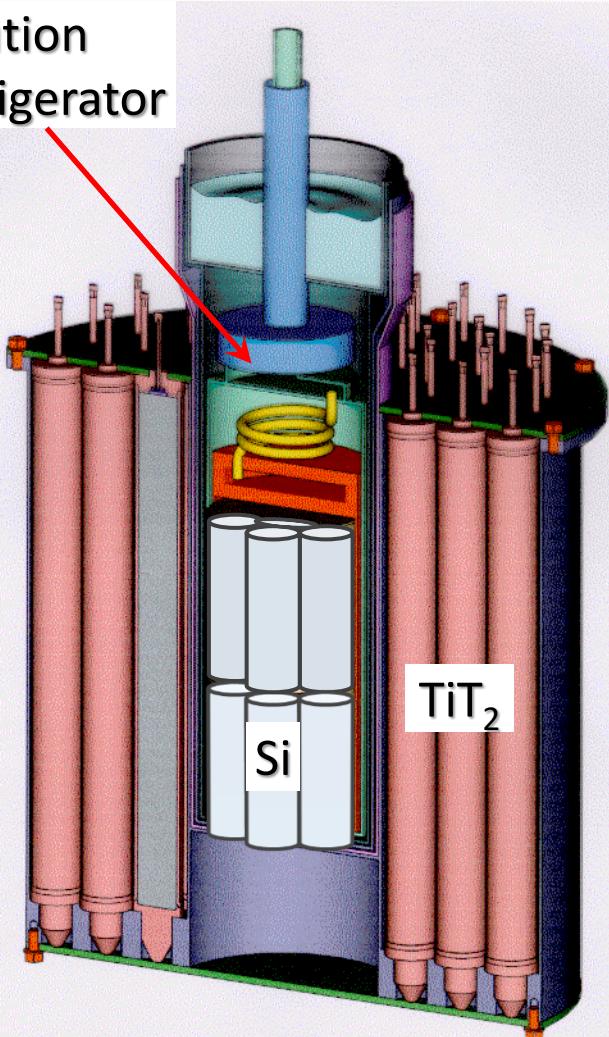
SM predicts a flat spectrum at small T , and the μ_ν contribution $\propto \frac{1}{T}$



The detector's energy threshold needs to be as low as possible

Si detector concept

Dilution refrigerator



Tritium neutrino source (1-4 kg)

- tubular copper elements with TiT_2



Silicon cryodetectors ($T=10-50 \text{ mK}$)
 $14 \times 125 \text{ cm}^3$, $M=4 \text{ kg}$

- TES mounted on each Si crystal

The Si detector with an ultra-low threshold

$E_{\text{th}} \sim 10 \text{ eV}$ or even $E_{\text{th}} \sim 1 \text{ eV}$

owing to the Neganov-Trofimov-Luke effect

(heat amplification of ionization signal)

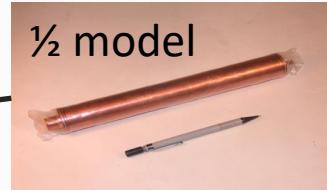
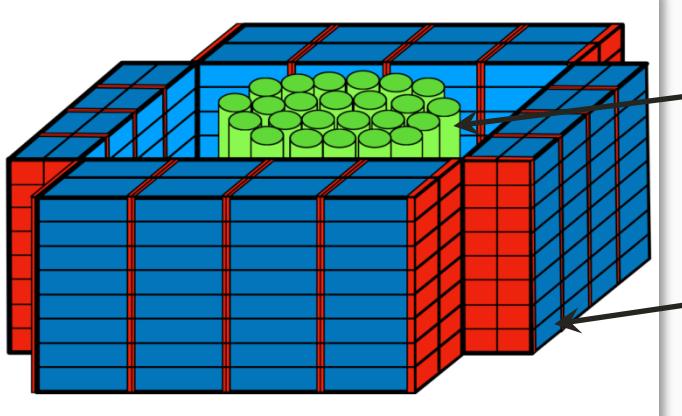
B. Neganov and V. Trofimov, USSR patent no.
1037771, Otkrytia i Izobreteniya 146 (1985) 215;
P. N. Luke, J. Appl. Phys. 64 (1988) 6858.

Expected results after 1 year of data collection

Number of events within SM: ~30 for 1 kg of T_2 and ~120 for 4 kg of T_2

Sensitivity to neutrino magnetic moment: $\mu_\nu \sim (1-1.5) \times 10^{-12} \mu_B$ at 90% C.L.

CsI(pure) scintillation detector concept

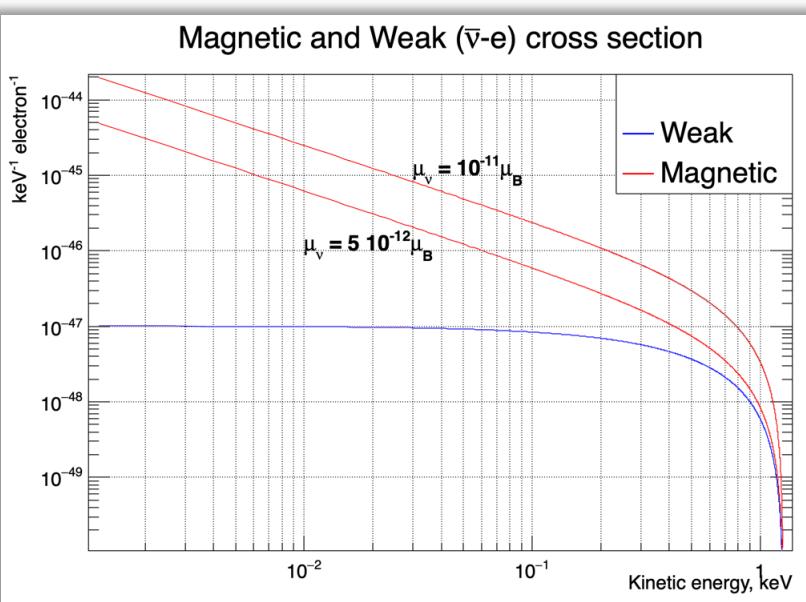


Tritium neutrino source (1-4 kg)
Tubular copper elements with TiT_2

15x15x50 mm³ CsI(pure) crystals
at T=77 K, total mass is M=100 kg

- SiPM readout
(two SiPMs per each crystal)
- Light collection at a level of
50 photoelectrons/keV
- Energy threshold is
 $E_{\text{th}} \sim 100 \text{ eV}$

Abdurashitov, Vlasenko, Ivashkin, Silaeva,
Sinev, Phys. Atom. Nuclei **85** (2022) 701



Expected results after 1 year of data collection
Number of events within SM:
~50 for 1 kg of T_2 and ~200 for 4 kg of T_2
Sensitivity to neutrino magnetic moment:
 $\mu_\nu \sim (4-5) \times 10^{-12} \mu_B$

Summary and outlook

The Sarov tritium neutrino experiment aims at

- (i) first observation of **coherent elastic neutrino-atom scattering**
to test SM neutrino interactions at unprecedently low energies
- (ii) search for **neutrino magnetic moment**

A **high-intensity tritium neutrino source** is being prepared

- at least **1 kg, 10 MCi** (possibly up to **4 kg, 40 MCi**)

A **1000-L He II detector** is being developed (to be **ready by 2027**)

- observation of **CEvAS (2032)**
- sensitivity to $\mu_\nu \sim (2\text{-}4)\times 10^{-13} \mu_B$ (**2032**)

A **4-kg Si detector** is being developed (to be **ready by 2026**)

- sensitivity to $\mu_\nu \sim (1\text{-}1.5)\times 10^{-12} \mu_B$ (**2027**)

A **100-kg CsI detector** is being developed (to be **ready by 2025**)

- sensitivity to $\mu_\nu \sim (4\text{-}5)\times 10^{-12} \mu_B$ (**2026**)



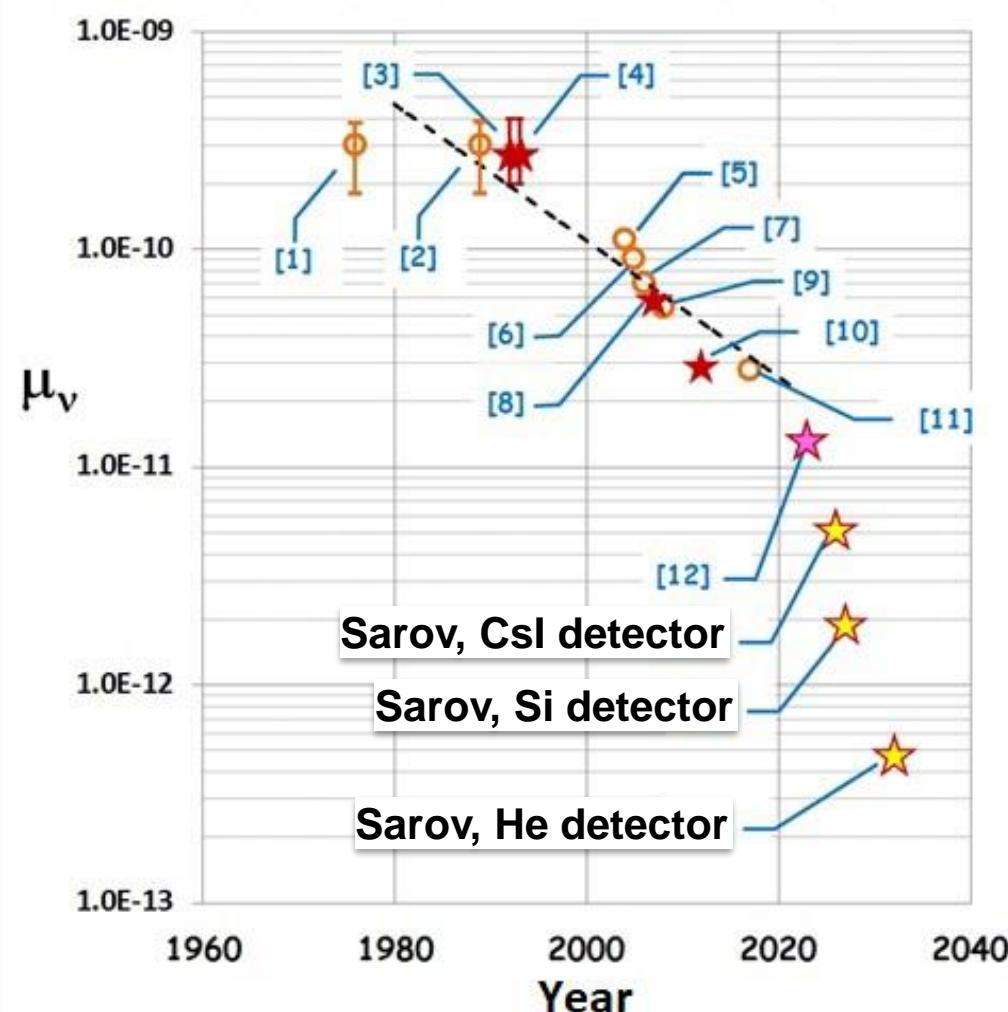
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Progress of experimental sensitivity to μ_ν



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Status and prospects of implementation of the Sarov tritium neutrino experiment

Thank you for your attention!

Backup slides

A nighttime photograph of the Moscow State University main building, a tall, ornate structure with a golden spire, reflected in a dark pond in the foreground. The building is illuminated from within, and streetlights are visible along the walkway.

Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

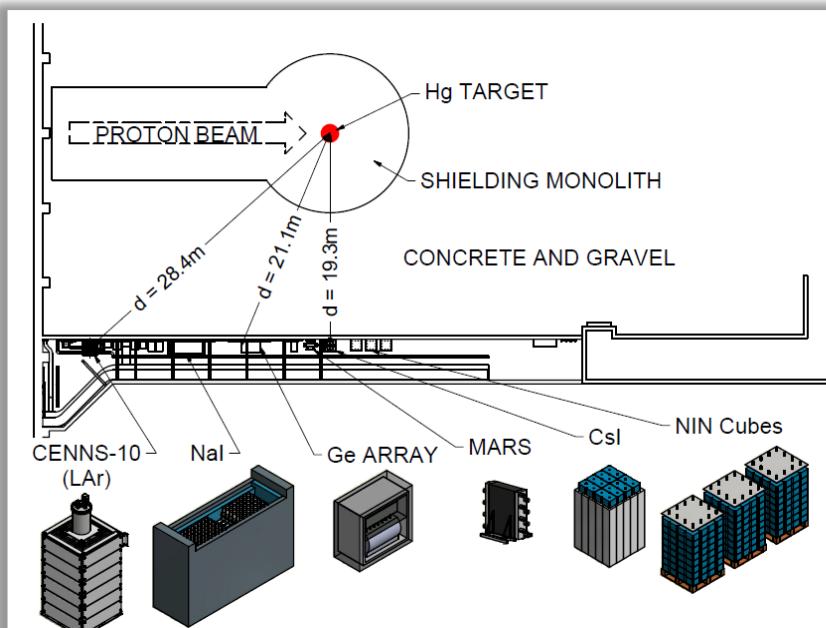
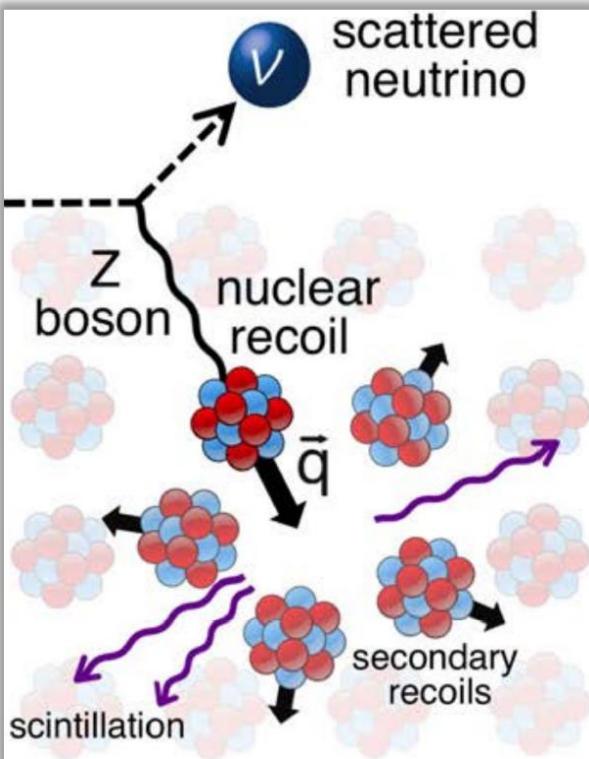
Experiment COHERENT (SNS, Oak Ridge, Tennessee)

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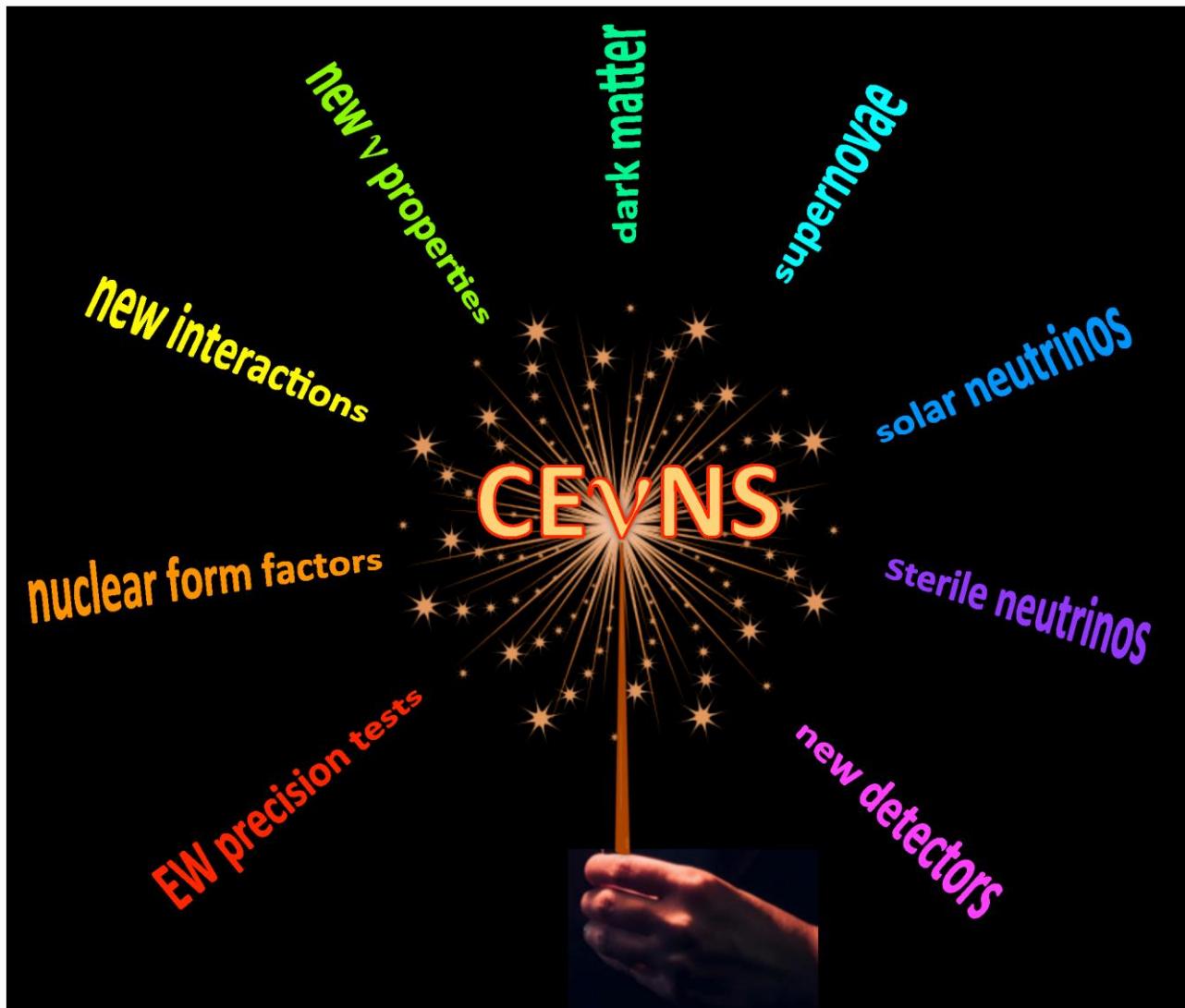
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Observation of coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering



14.6 kg CsI
scintillating crystal

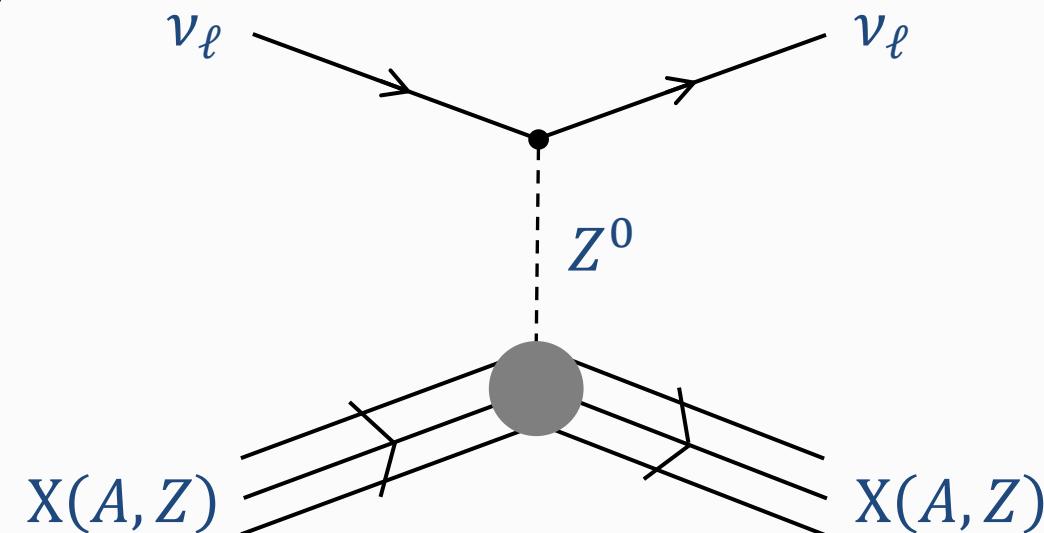
Why CE ν NS?



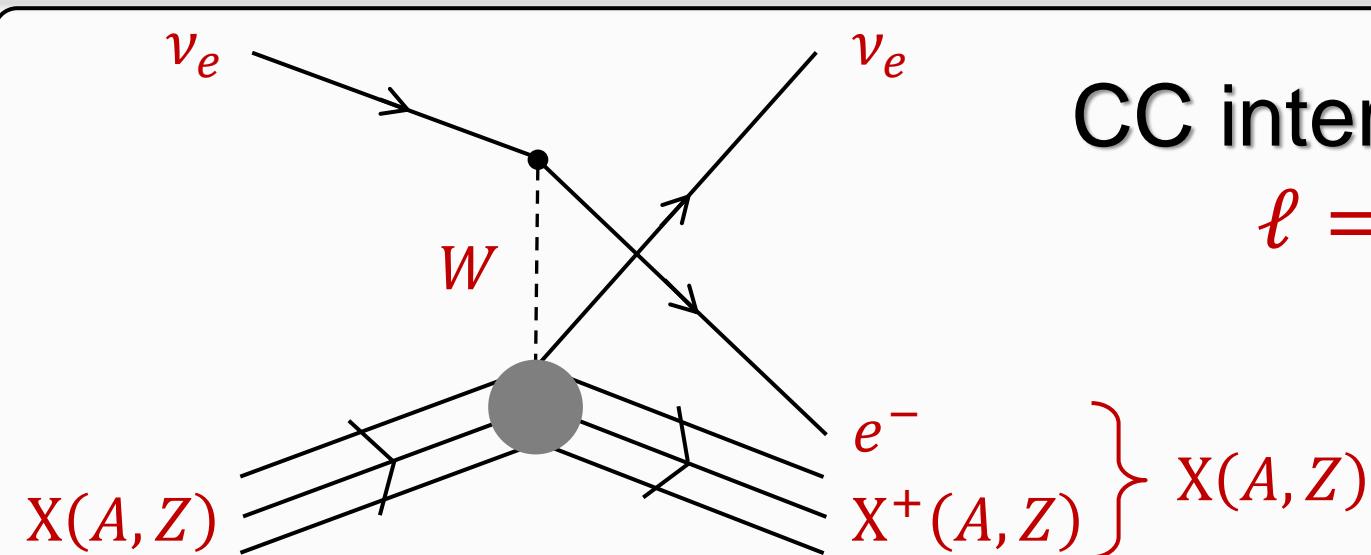
[E. Lisi, Neutrino 2018]

Coherent elastic neutrino-atom scattering

Elastic neutrino-atom scattering in SM



NC interaction
 $\ell = e, \mu, \tau$



CC interaction
 $\ell = e$

CEνAS cross section in SM

$$d\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{4E_\nu m} \delta^4(p + k - p' - k') |\mathcal{M}^{(\text{SM})}|^2 \frac{d^3 p'_\nu}{(2\pi)^3 2E'_\nu} \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2E'}$$

$$p = (E_\nu, \mathbf{p}_\nu), \quad p' = (E'_\nu, \mathbf{p}'_\nu), \quad k = (m, 0), \quad k' = (E', \mathbf{k}')$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{(\text{SM})} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} j^\lambda J_\lambda, \quad j^\lambda = \bar{u}_\nu(p') \gamma^\lambda (1 - \gamma^5) u_\nu(p), \quad J^\lambda = J_p^\lambda + J_n^\lambda + J_e^\lambda$$

The proton, neutron and electron currents:

$$J_p^\lambda = \left\langle i \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(p)}} \gamma_j^0 \gamma_j^\lambda \left(g_V^{(p)} - \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(p)} \gamma_j^5 \right) \right| i \right\rangle, \quad g_V^{(p)} = \frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W, \quad g_A^{(p)} = 1.25$$

$$J_n^\lambda = \left\langle i \left| \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(n)}} \gamma_j^0 \gamma_j^\lambda \left(g_V^{(n)} - \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(n)} \gamma_j^5 \right) \right| i \right\rangle, \quad g_V^{(n)} = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad g_A^{(n)} = -1.25$$

$$J_e^\lambda = \left\langle i \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(e)}} \gamma_j^0 \gamma_j^\lambda \left(g_V^{(e)} - g_A^{(e)} \gamma_j^5 \right) \right| i \right\rangle,$$

$$g_V^{(e)} = 2 \sin^2 \theta_W - \frac{1}{2} + \delta_{\ell e}, \quad g_A^{(e)} = -\frac{1}{2} + \delta_{\ell e}$$

Customary approximations

- i. Neglecting hyperfine coupling: $|i\rangle = |\Psi_{\text{nuc}}\rangle \times |\Psi_{\text{el}}\rangle$
- ii. Treating the currents nonrelativistically:

$$J_p^0 = g_V^{(p)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(p)}} \right| \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \right\rangle = g_V^{(p)} Z F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2)$$

$$J_n^0 = g_V^{(n)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(n)}} \right| \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \right\rangle = g_V^{(n)} N F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2)$$

$$J_p^3 = \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(p)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(p)}} \hat{\sigma}_j^3 \right| \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(p)} (Z_+ - Z_-) F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2)$$

$$J_n^3 = \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(n)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(n)}} \hat{\sigma}_j^3 \right| \Psi_{\text{nuc}} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} g_A^{(n)} (N_+ - N_-) F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2)$$

$$J_e^0 = g_V^{(e)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{el}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(e)}} \right| \Psi_{\text{el}} \right\rangle = g_V^{(e)} Z F_{\text{el}}(q^2)$$

$$J_e^3 = g_A^{(e)} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{el}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}_j^{(e)}} \hat{\sigma}_j^3 \right| \Psi_{\text{el}} \right\rangle = g_A^{(e)} F_{\text{el}}^3(q^2)$$

$$F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2) = \frac{1}{A} \int d^3r e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} \rho_{\text{nuc}}(\mathbf{r}), \quad F_{\text{el}}(q^2) = \frac{1}{Z} \int d^3r e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} \rho_{\text{el}}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$F_{\text{el}}^3(q^2) = \frac{1}{Z} \int d^3r e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} \left\langle \Psi_{\text{el}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j^{(e)}) \hat{\sigma}_j^3 \right| \Psi_{\text{el}} \right\rangle$$

CE ν AS cross section in SM

Yu. V. Gaponov and V. N. Tikhonov, *Yad. Fiz. (USSR)* **26**, 594 (1977);
L. M. Sehgal and M. Wanninger, *Phys. Lett. B* **171**, 107 (1986)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \frac{G_F^2 m}{\pi} \left[C_V^2 \left(1 - \frac{mT}{2E_\nu^2} \right) + C_A^2 \left(1 + \frac{mT}{2E_\nu^2} \right) \right]$$

$$C_V = [Z \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W \right) - \frac{1}{2} N] F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2) + Z \left(\mp \frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^2 \theta_W \right) F_{\text{el}}(q^2)$$

$$C_A^2 = (C_A^{\text{nuc}})^2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n,l} \left[(L_+^{nl} - L_-^{nl}) F_{\text{el}}^{nl}(q^2) \right]^2$$

$$C_A^{\text{nuc}} = \frac{g_A}{2} [(Z_+ - Z_-) - (N_+ - N_-)] F_{\text{nuc}}(q^2), \quad g_A = 1.25$$

plus (minus) stands for $\nu = \nu_e$ ($\nu = \nu_{\mu,\tau}$)

q is the momentum transfer, with $q^2 = 2mT$

$F_{\text{nuc(el)}}(q^2)$ is the Fourier transform of the nuclear (electron) density.

Z (N) is the number of protons (neutrons)

Z_\pm and N_\pm (L_\pm^{nl}) are the numbers of protons and neutrons (electrons) with spin parallel (+) or antiparallel (-) to the nucleus spin (the total electron spin)

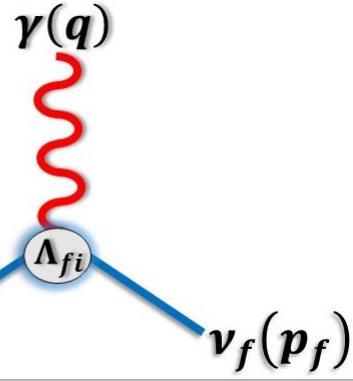
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Neutrino electromagnetic properties in CE ν AS

Unsolved problems in neutrino physics

- Neutrino mass ($m_\nu = ?$) and mass hierarchy (NO or IO)
- CP violation in neutrino oscillations
- Dirac ($\nu \neq \bar{\nu}$) or Majorana ($\nu = \bar{\nu}$)
- Number of neutrino types:
 $N_\nu = 3$ or $N_\nu > 3$
- Neutrino nonstandard interactions
- **Neutrino electromagnetic properties**

Neutrino electromagnetic properties



C. Giunti and A. Studenikin, *Neutrino electromagnetic interactions: A window to new physics*, Rev. Mod. Phys. **87** (2015) 531; arXiv:1403.6344

The effective neutrino electromagnetic vertex
(under the Lorentz and gauge invariance):

$$\Lambda_\mu^{(\text{EM};\nu)f_i}(q) = \left(\gamma_\mu - \frac{q_\mu q}{q^2} \right) \left[f_Q^{f_i}(q^2) - q^2 f_A^{f_i}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right] - i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \left[f_M^{f_i}(q^2) + i f_E^{f_i}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right]$$

$f_{Q,A,M,E}^{f_i}$ are charge (Q), anapole (A), magnetic (M) and electric (E) form factors of diagonal ($i = f$) and transition ($i \neq f$) types.

$f_Q^{f_i}(0) = e_{f_i}$, where e_{f_i} is millicharge,

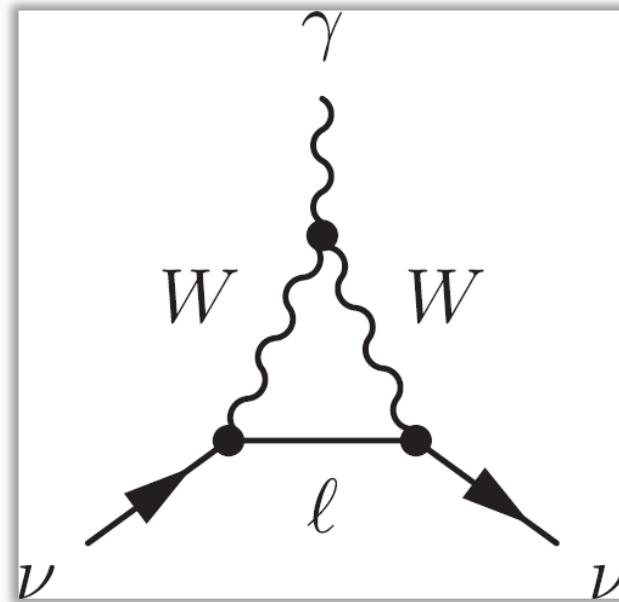
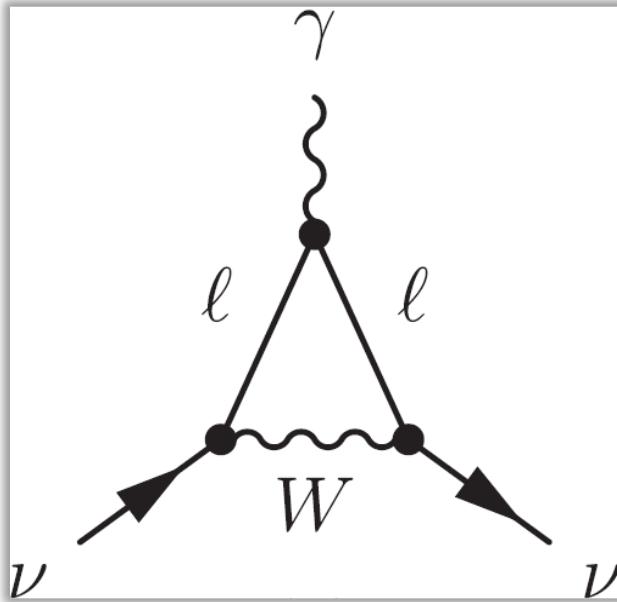
$f_A^{f_i}(0) = a_{f_i}$, where a_{f_i} is anapole moment,

$f_M^{f_i}(0) = \mu_{f_i}$, where μ_{f_i} is magnetic moment,

$f_E^{f_i}(0) = \epsilon_{f_i}$, where ϵ_{f_i} is electric dipole moment

$q^2 \rightarrow 0$: $f_Q^{f_i}(q^2) = e_{f_i} + \frac{1}{6} \langle r_\nu^2 \rangle_{f_i} q^2$, where $\langle r_\nu^2 \rangle_{f_i}$ is the neutrino charge radius.

Neutrino magnetic moment



*K. Fujikawa and R. Shrock, Phys. Rev. Lett. **45** (1980) 963*

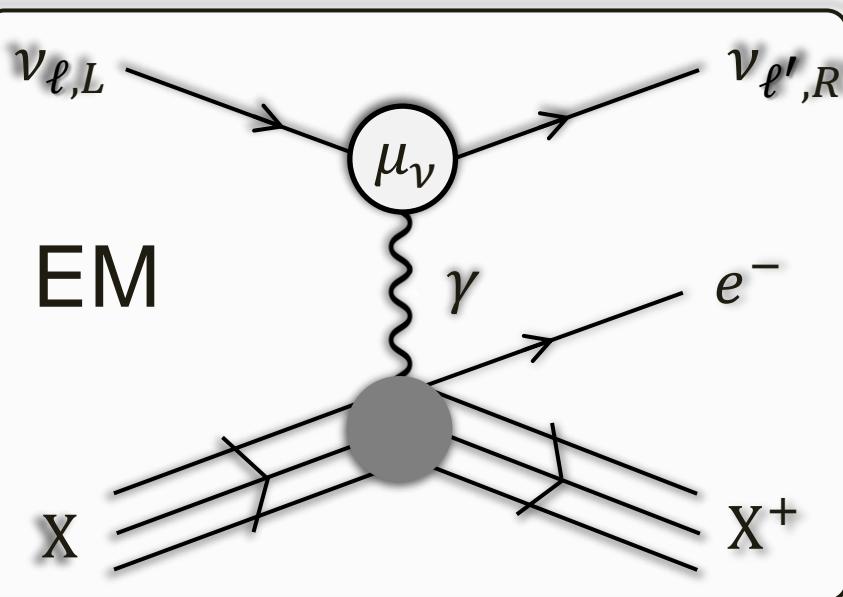
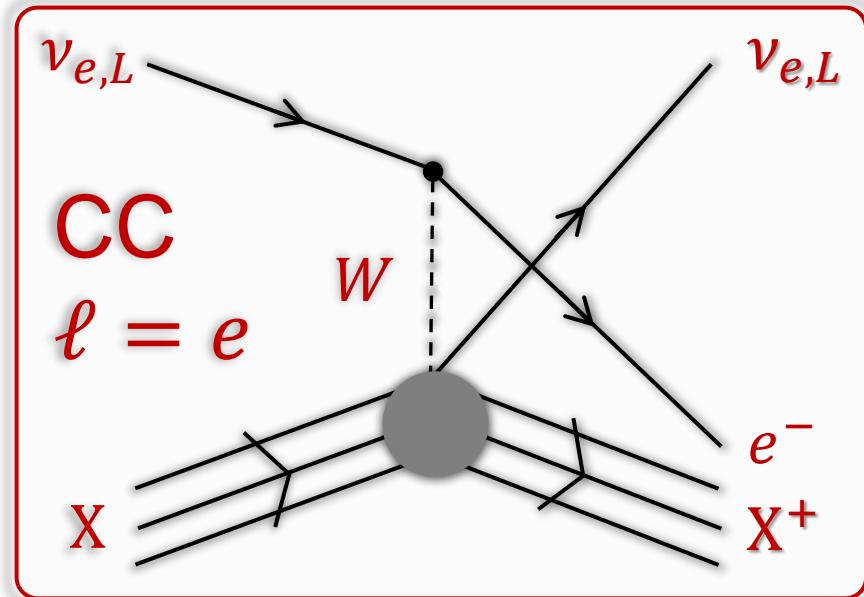
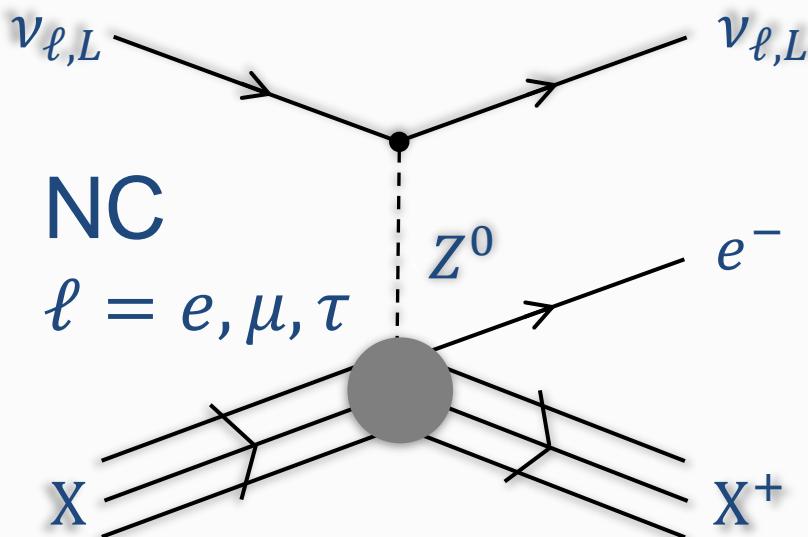
In the minimally extended SM with addition of right-handed massive Dirac neutrinos:

$$\mu_\nu \simeq 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \mu_B \left(\frac{m_\nu}{1 \text{ eV}} \right)$$

$m_\nu < 0.8 \text{ eV}$ at 90% CL

*M. Aker et al. (The KATRIN Collaboration), Nature Physics **18** (2022) 160*

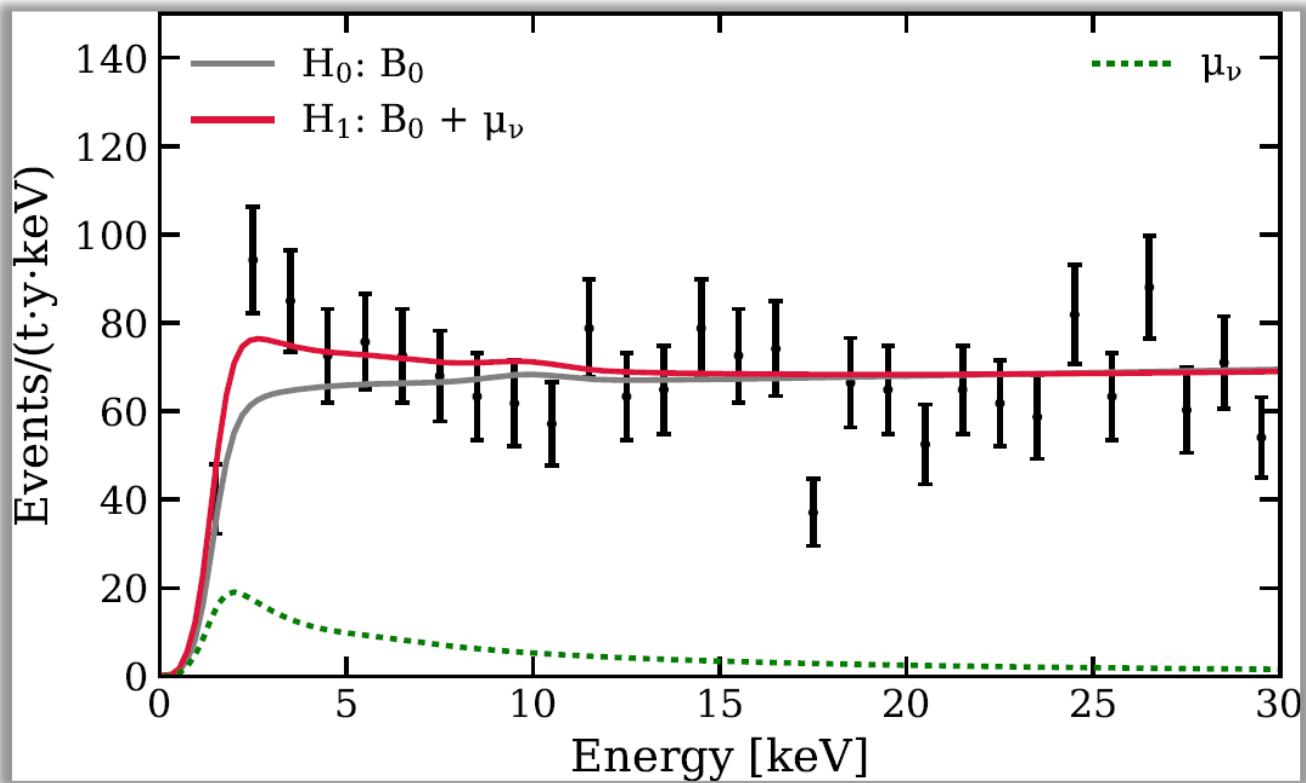
Ionizing neutrino-atom interactions



Unlike the SM weak **NC** and **CC** interactions, the μ_ν interaction flips the neutrino helicity ($L \rightarrow R$) and can change the neutrino flavor if the transition magnetic moment ($\ell \neq \ell'$) is nonzero.

XENON1T anomaly

E. Aprile et al. (XENON Collaboration),
Phys. Rev. D 102 (2020) 072004

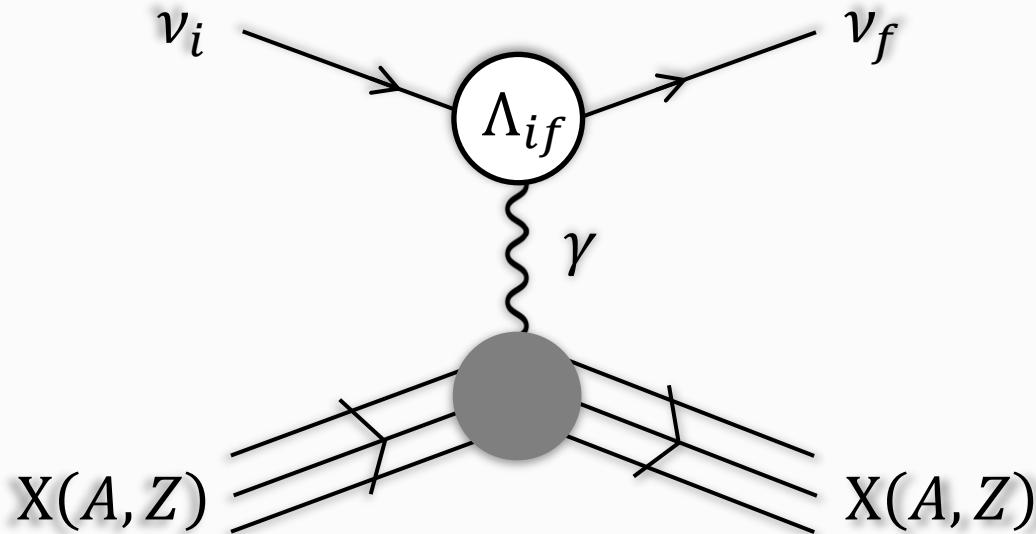


Grey solid curve ($H_0: B_0$) is the standard background model for the electron recoil in a 3.2-ton liquid Xe detector.

Red solid curve ($H_1: B_0 + \mu_\nu$) accounts for the solar neutrino magnetic moment from the 90% confidence interval $\mu_\nu \in (1.4, 2.9) \times 10^{-11} \mu_B$.

Green dashed curve (μ_ν) shows the magnetic moment contribution.

Electromagnetic interactions in CE ν AS



$$\Lambda_\mu^{(\text{EM};\nu)fi}(q) = \left(\gamma_\mu - \frac{q_\mu q}{q^2} \right) \left[f_Q^{fi}(q^2) - q^2 f_A^{fi}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right] - i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \left[f_M^{fi}(q^2) + i f_E^{fi}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right]$$

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} (\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu - \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu)$$

$$q^2 \rightarrow 0: f_Q(q^2) - q^2 f_A(q^2) \gamma_5 = e_\nu + \frac{q^2}{6} (\langle r_\nu^2 \rangle - 6 a_\nu \gamma_5)$$

$$f_M(q^2) + i f_E(q^2) \gamma_5 = \mu_\nu + i \epsilon_\nu \gamma_5$$

$$\gamma_5 = -1 \text{ for } \nu \text{ and } \gamma_5 = +1 \text{ for } \bar{\nu}$$

EM contribution to CEνAS cross section

$$d\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{4E_\nu m} \delta^4(p + k - p' - k') \sum_{\ell'} \left| \mathcal{M}_{\nu_\ell \rightarrow \nu_{\ell'}} \right|^2 \frac{d^3 p'_\nu}{(2\pi)^3 2E'_\nu} \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2E'}$$

$$p = (E_\nu, \mathbf{p}_\nu), \quad p' = (E'_\nu, \mathbf{p}'_\nu), \quad k = (m, 0), \quad k' = (E', \mathbf{k}'), \quad q = p - p'$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu_\ell \rightarrow \nu_{\ell'}} = \delta_{\ell\ell'} \mathcal{M}^{(\text{SM})} + \mathcal{M}^{(\text{EM})}, \quad \mathcal{M}^{(\text{EM})} = \mathcal{M}^{(e_\nu)} + \mathcal{M}^{(\mu_\nu)},$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{(e_\nu)} = -\frac{4\pi\alpha}{q^2} \bar{u}_{\nu_{\ell'}}(p') \gamma_\lambda \left[e_\nu + \frac{q^2}{6} (\langle r_\nu^2 \rangle - 6a_\nu \gamma_5) \right] u_{\nu_\ell}(p) [J_{V,p}^\lambda(q) - J_{V,e}^\lambda(q)]$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{(\mu_\nu)} = i \frac{2\pi\alpha}{m_e q^2} \bar{u}_{\nu_{\ell'}}(p') \sigma_{\lambda\rho} q^\rho (\mu_\nu + i\epsilon_\nu \gamma_5) u_{\nu_\ell}(p) [J_{V,p}^\lambda(q) - J_{V,e}^\lambda(q)]$$

The proton and electron vector currents:

$$J_{V,p}^\lambda(q) = \left\langle i \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{qr}_j^{(p)}} \gamma_j^0 \gamma_j^\lambda \right| i \right\rangle, \quad J_{V,e}^\lambda(q) = \left\langle i \left| \sum_{j=1}^Z e^{i\mathbf{qr}_j^{(e)}} \gamma_j^0 \gamma_j^\lambda \right| i \right\rangle$$

The e_ν and μ_ν effects in CE ν AS

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \frac{d\sigma^{(\text{SM}; e_\nu)}}{dT} + \frac{d\sigma^{(\mu_\nu)}}{dT}$$

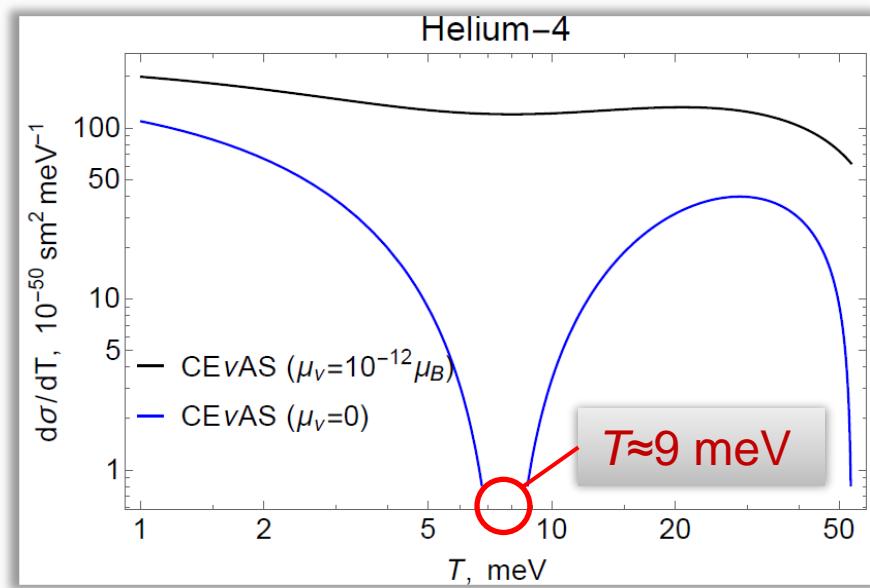
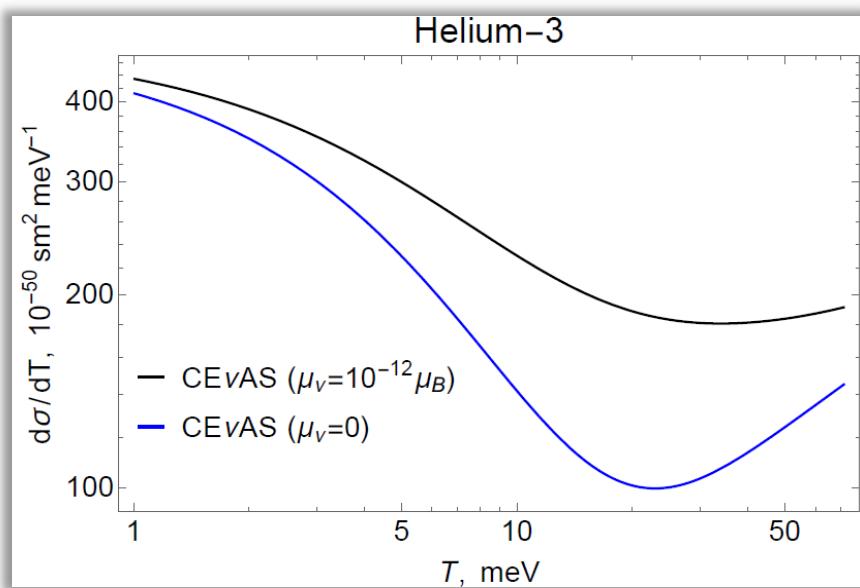
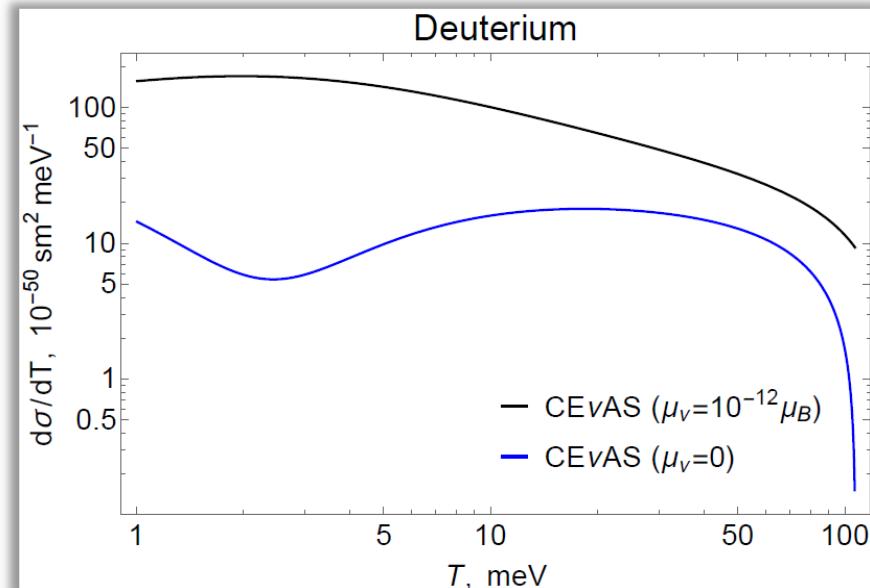
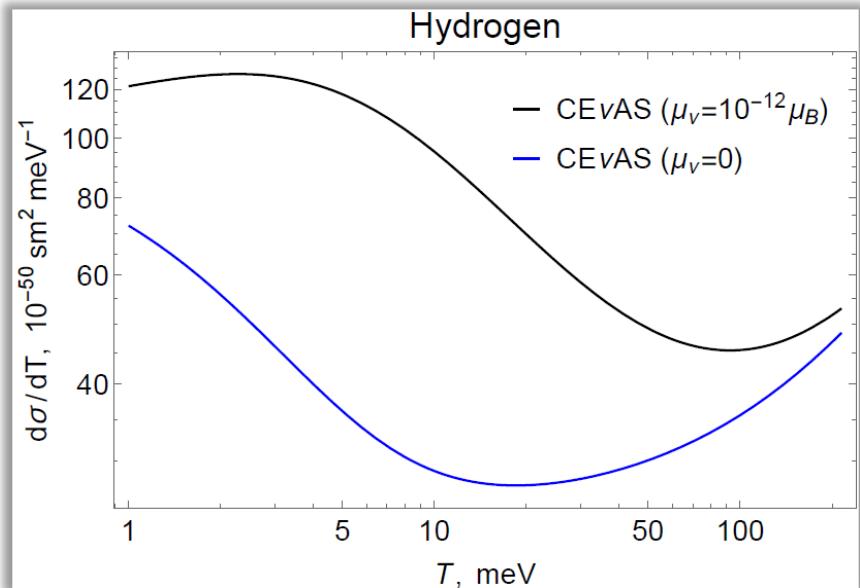
The e_ν effect (e_ν is in units of e):

$$\frac{d\sigma^{(\text{SM}; e_\nu)}}{dT} = \frac{G_F^2 m}{\pi} \left[C_V^2 \left(1 - \frac{mT}{2E_\nu^2} \right) + C_A^2 \left(1 + \frac{mT}{2E_\nu^2} \right) \right]$$
$$C_V = C_V^{\text{SM}} + \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha Z e_\nu}{G_F m T} [1 - F_{\text{el}}(q^2)], \quad q^2 = 2mT$$

The μ_ν effect (μ_ν is in units of μ_B):

$$\frac{d\sigma^{(\mu_\nu)}}{dT} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2 Z^2}{m_e^2} |\mu_\nu|^2 \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{E_\nu} \right) [1 - F_{\text{el}}(q^2)]^2$$

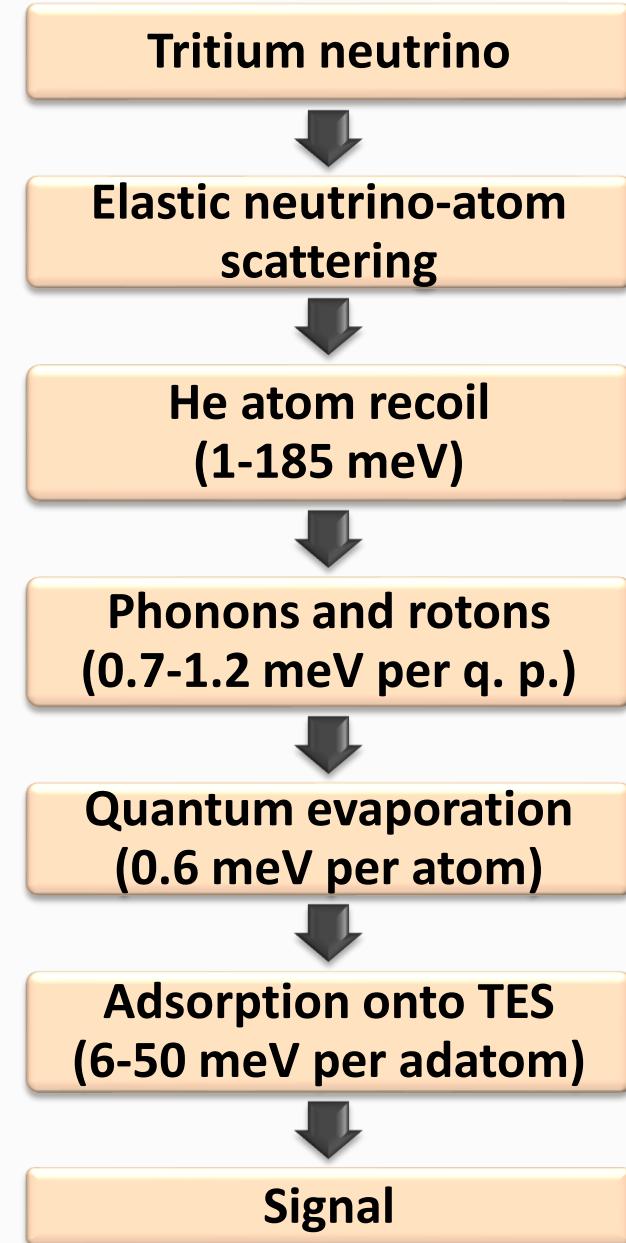
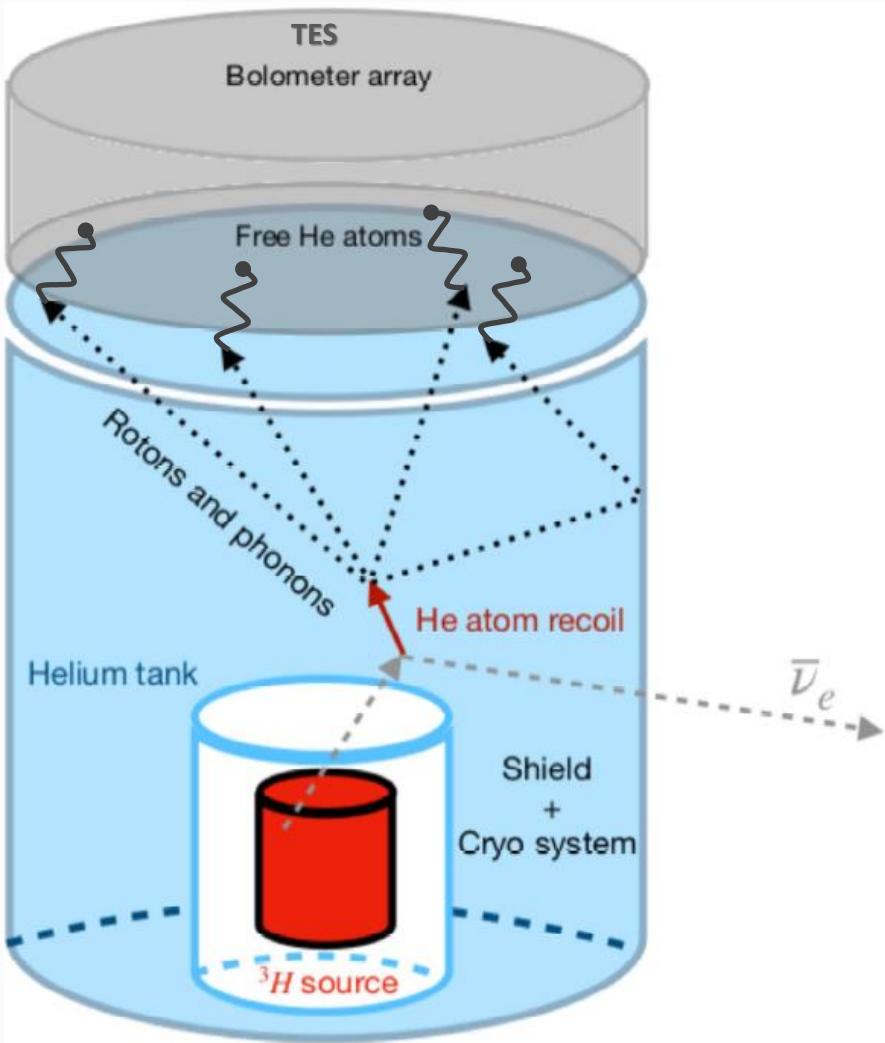
CEvAS cross sections for $\bar{\nu}_e$ with $E_\nu=10$ keV



Detection methods

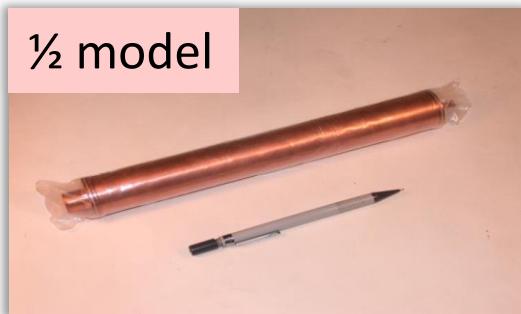


Detection method to study CE ν AS



Tritium neutrino source (TNS)

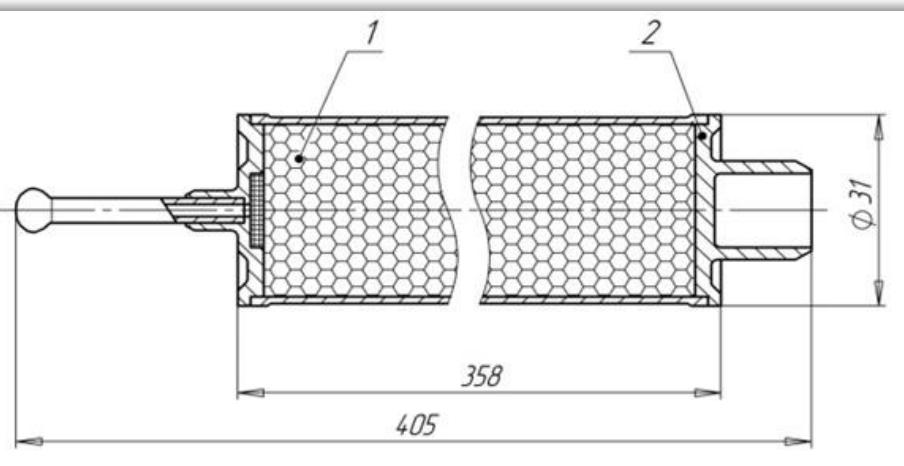
½ model



The basic design scheme of a tritium neutrino source (TNS) has been worked out in

A.A. Yukhimchuk et al. *Fusion Science and Technology* **48**, No. 1 (2005) 731-736.

Construction of a tubular tritium element

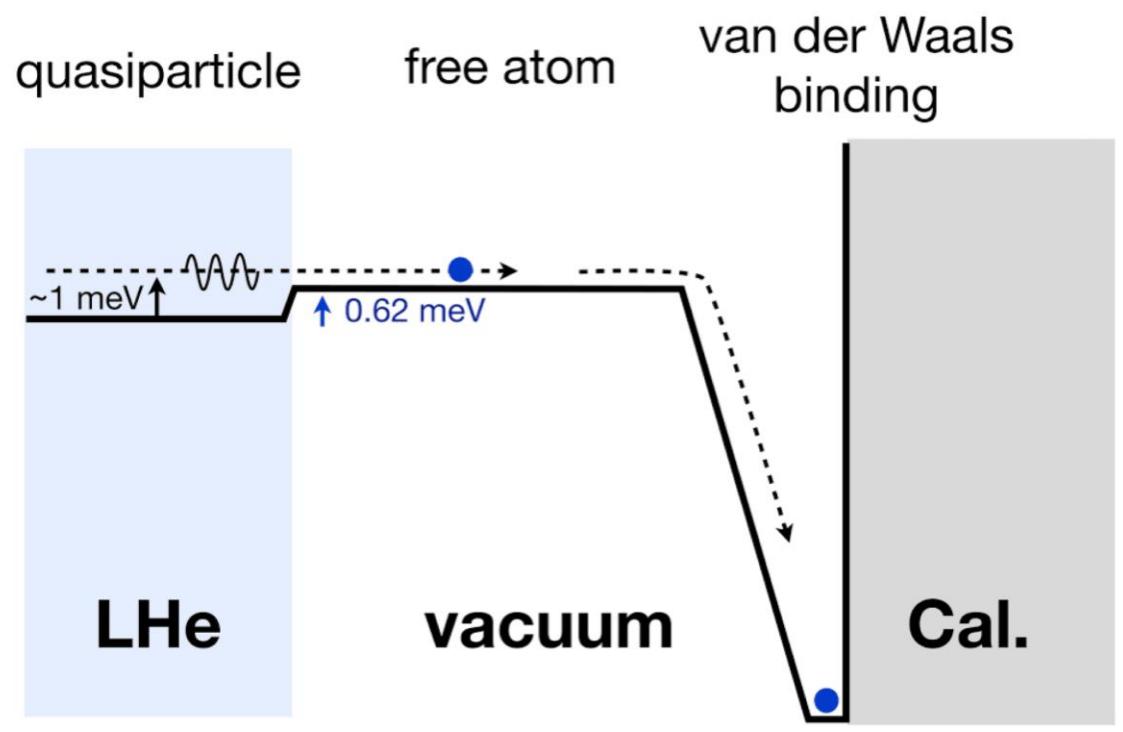
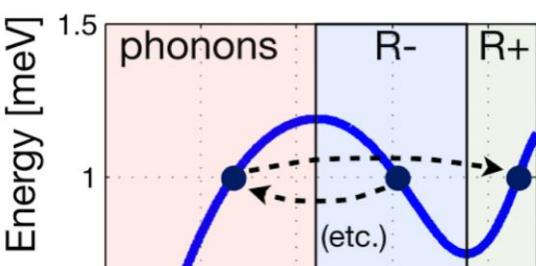
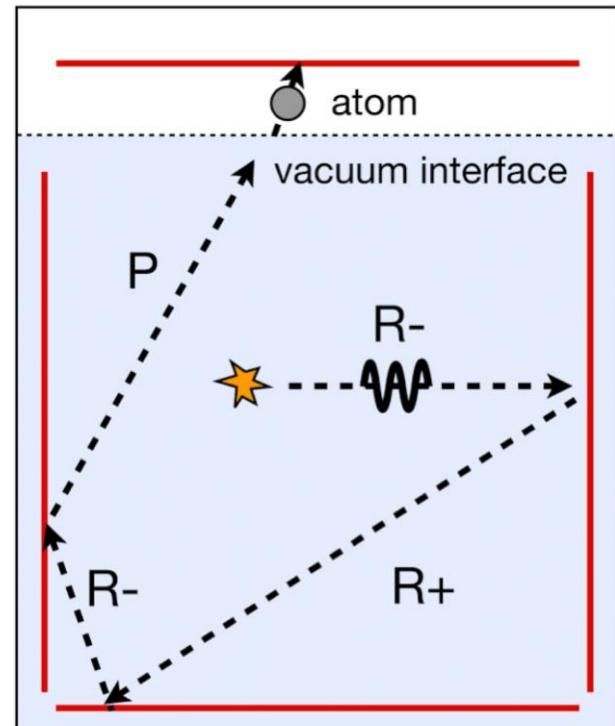


1 – titanium tritide; 2 – body

TNS is a set of tritium elements in which tritium is in a chemically bound state on titanium.

Titanium powder in bulk is placed in the tritium element. Then the titanium powder is thermally activated and saturated with tritium, after which the tritium element is sealed.

Quasiparticle readout: Quantum evaporation of He atom

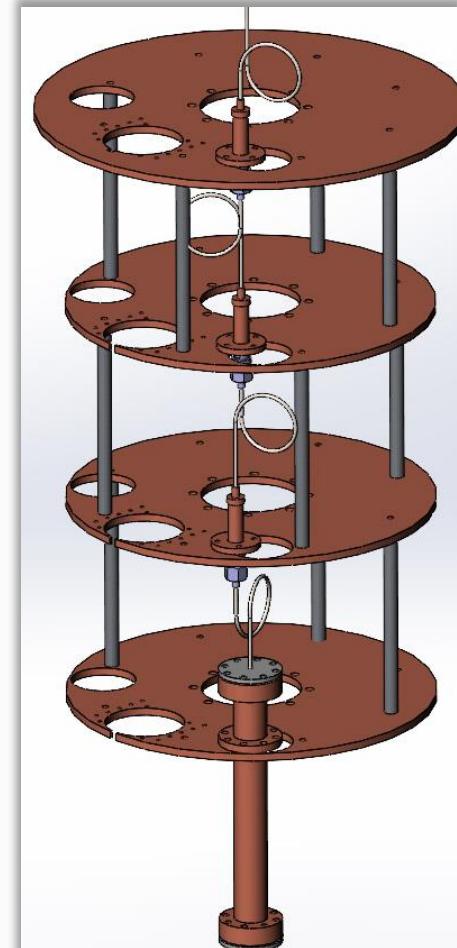
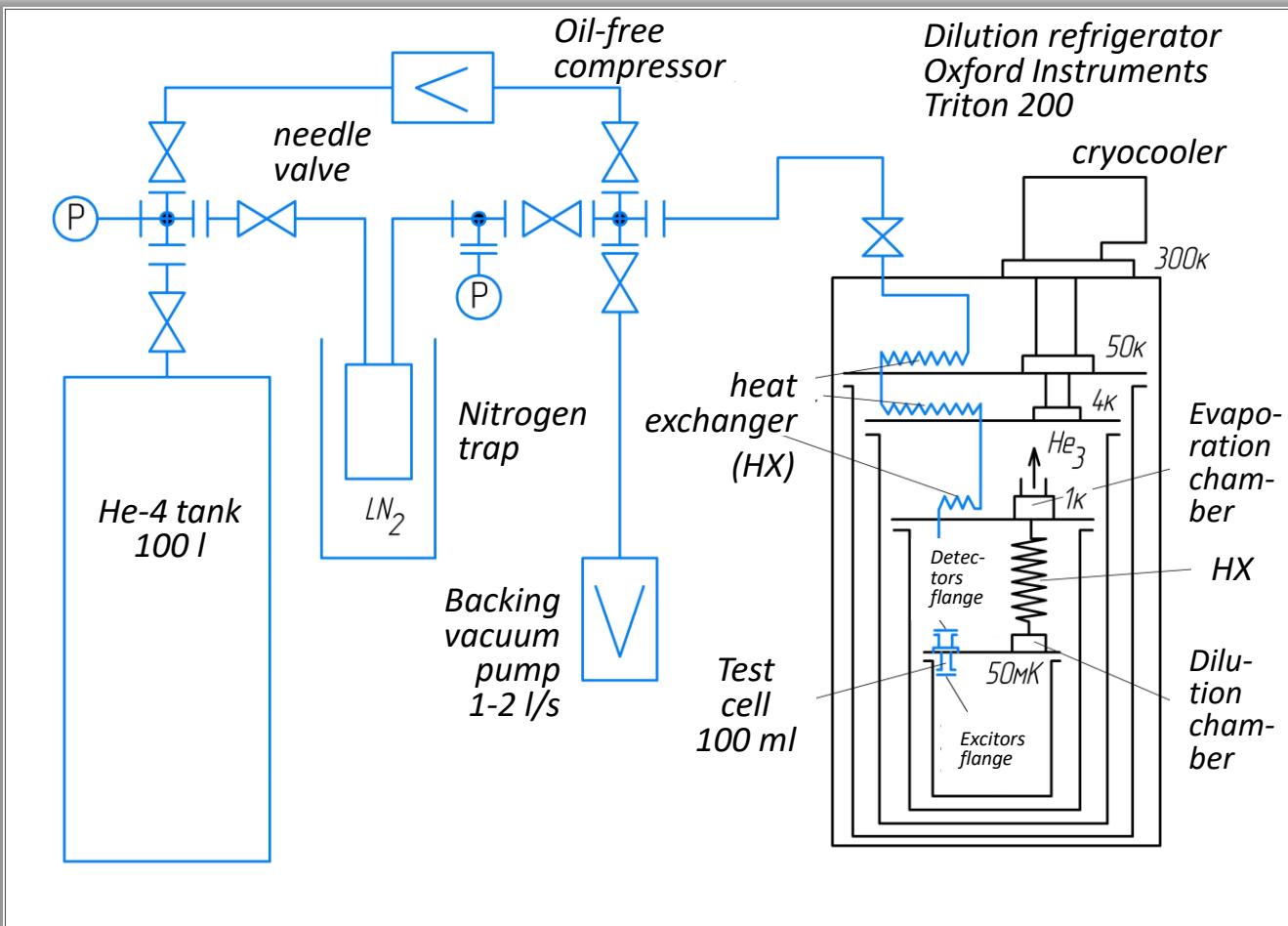


1 meV roton energy becomes up to 40 meV observable

- $\times 40$ amplification
- Graphene-fluorine surface

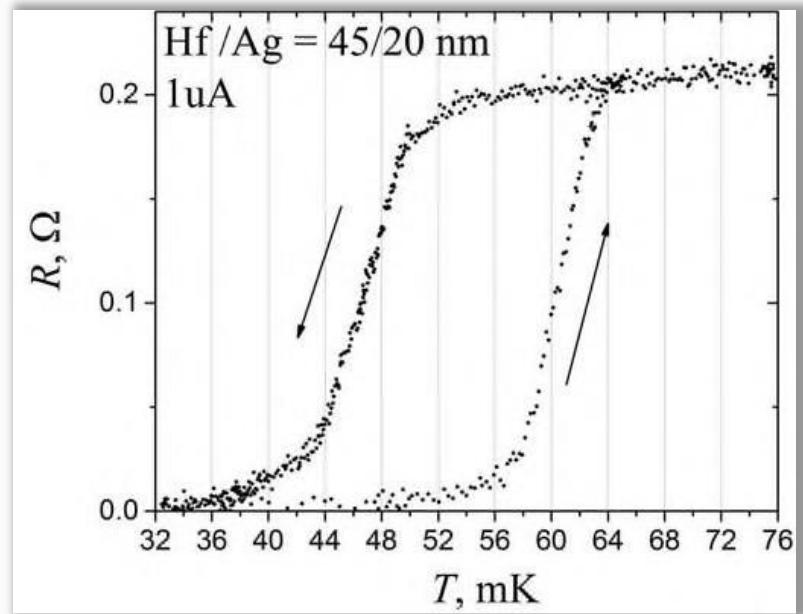
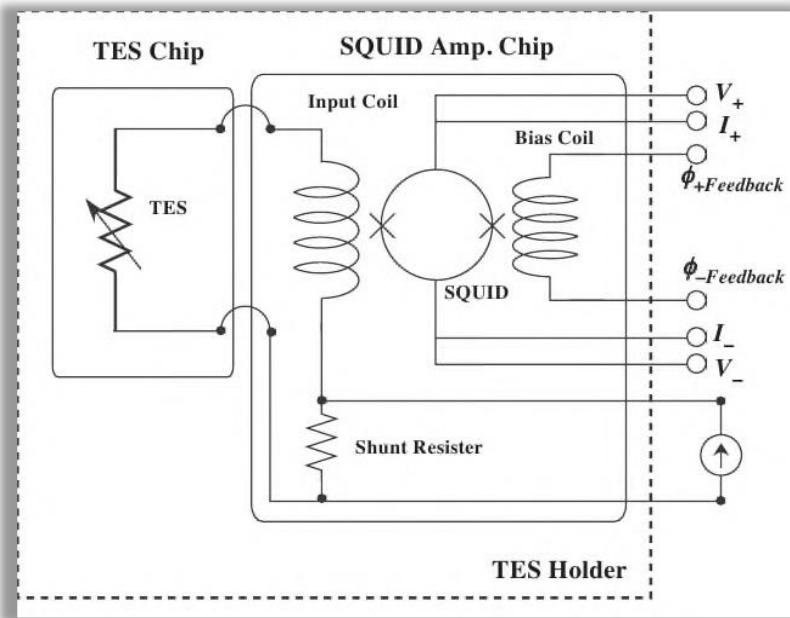
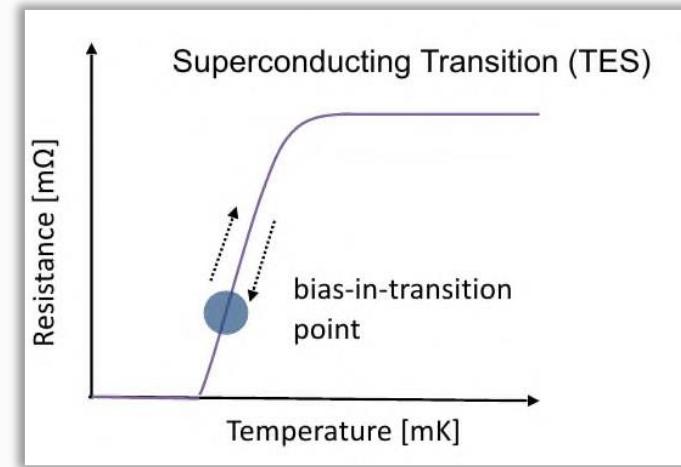
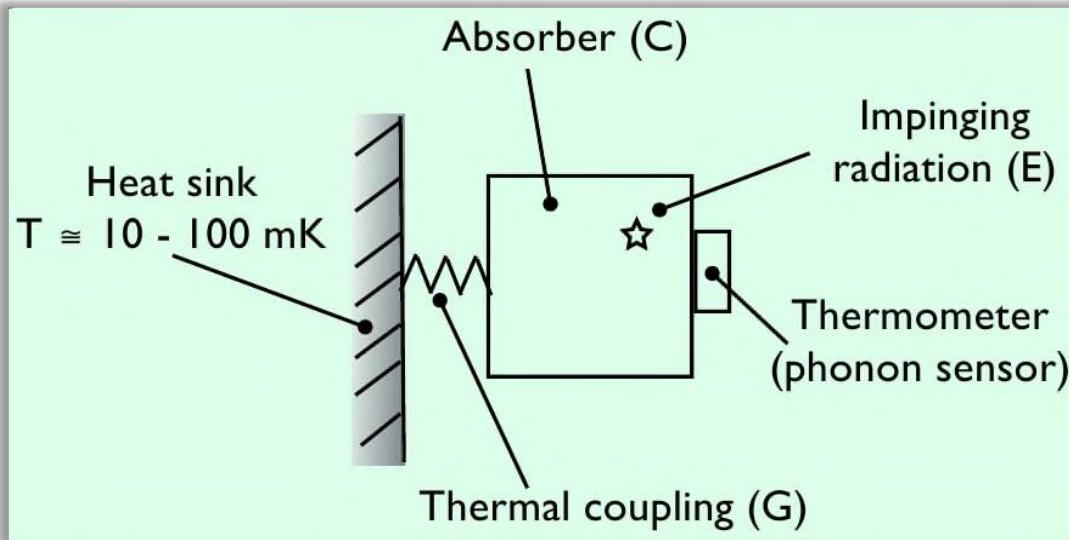
The test He II cell for TRITON 200

@ JINR & Nizhny Novgorod State Technical University



Purpose: To test the possibility of (i) generation of various excitations in helium (phonons, rotons, scintillations) by various controlled methods (thermal, mechanical, irradiation with various particles) and (ii) registration of these excitations by microcalorimetric detectors of various types

Transition edge sensor



Thin-film metal structures for microcalorimeters

@ Institute for Physics of Microstructures, RAS, Nizhny Novgorod

Goal

Obtaining superconducting films with a critical temperature T_c from 15 mK to 100 mK and a sharp transition $\Delta T_c < 1$ mK

Methods and approaches

Multilayer structures with proximity effect:

$Ti(T_c=0.49\text{ K})/Mo(T_c=0.92\text{ K})/Au$ & iridium films $Ir(T_c = 0.11\text{ K})$

Allotropic modifications of tungsten: $\alpha\text{-W}(T_c=12\text{-}15\text{ mK}) / \beta\text{-W}(T_c=1\text{-}4\text{ K})$

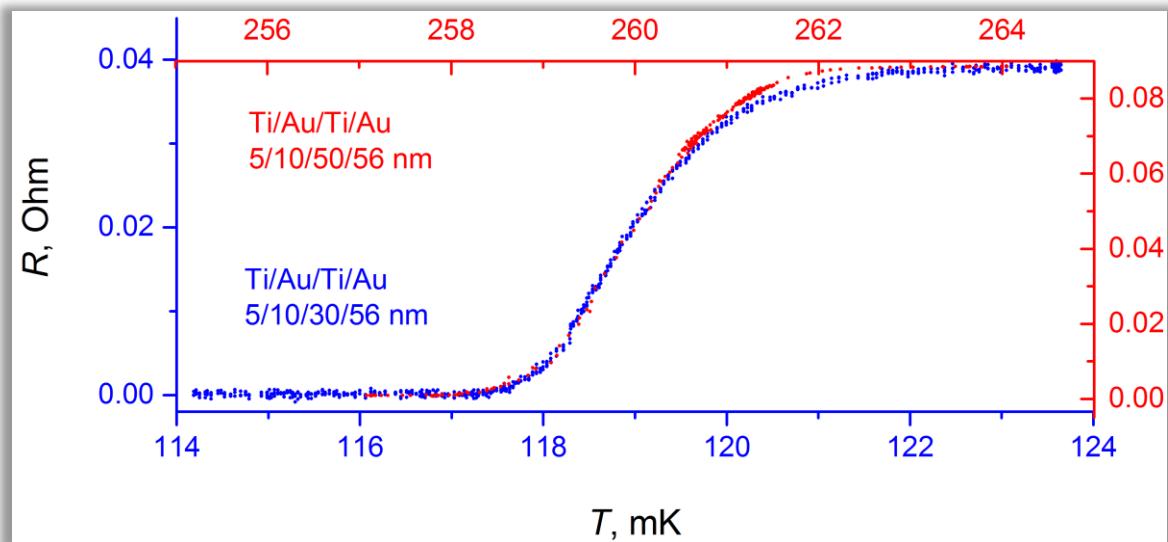
	MOCVD with vertical reactor	MOCVD with horizontal reactor (EpiquipVP-502 RP)	Electron beam deposition (Amod 206)
Growth technologies	 A photograph of a MOCVD system with a vertical reactor. It consists of a large white cabinet with various control panels, a computer monitor, and a tall vertical reactor unit with a glass window showing internal components.	 A photograph of a MOCVD system with a horizontal reactor. It features a large white cabinet with multiple control panels, a computer monitor, and a horizontal reactor unit with a glass window.	 A photograph of an electron beam deposition system. It includes a large white vacuum chamber with a blue bellows, a computer monitor displaying a waveform, and various control panels and cables.
	$\alpha\text{-W}/Al_2O_3$	$\alpha(\beta)\text{-W}/Al_2O_3$; GaAs; Si	$Ti/Mo/Au$; Ir/Si

Post-growth and diagnostic methods

Ultraviolet lithography (Suss MJB4); Plasma etching (Oxford Plasmalab 8); X-Ray Diffractometry (BrukerD8 Discover); Secondary-ion mass spectrometry (TOF.SIMS-5); Atomic force microscopy

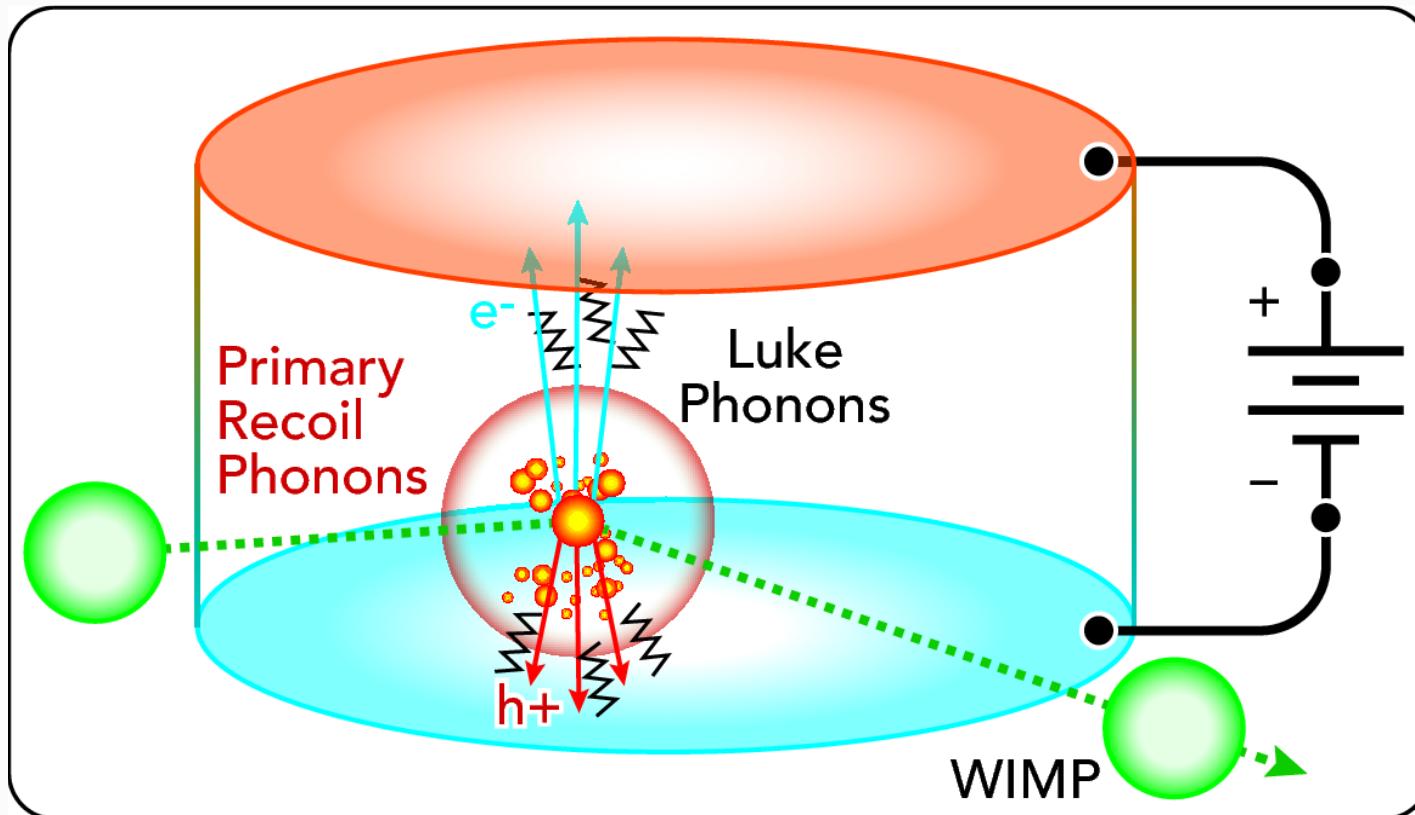
Studies of film electric properties

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Neganov-Trofimov-Luke effect

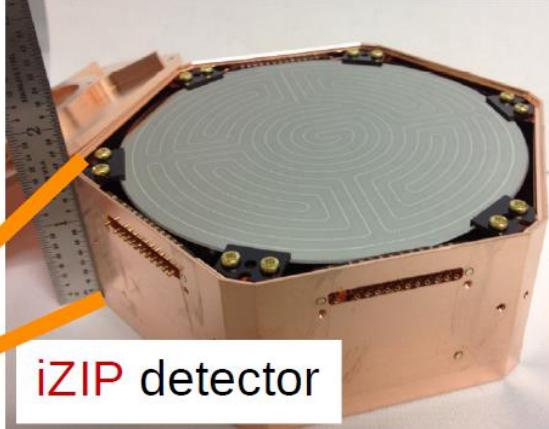
Phonon amplification of ionization signal



$$\text{Observed Phonon Energy} = E_{\text{Recoil}} + E_{\text{NTL}}$$

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SuperCDMS detectors

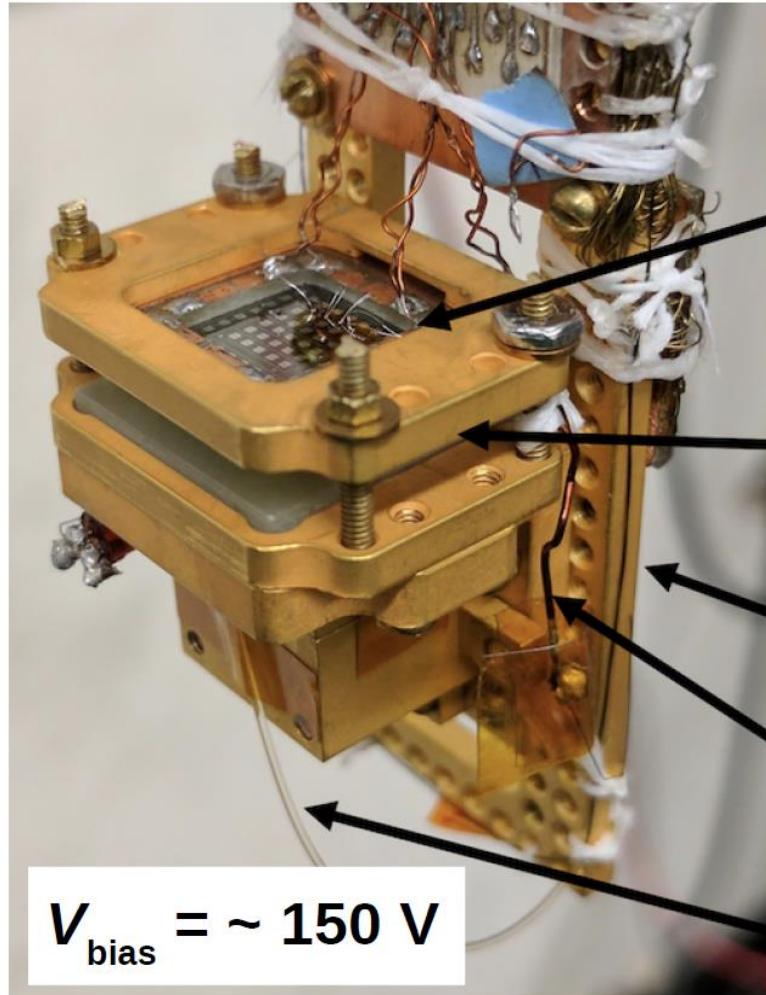


Ge detectors,
1.4 kg each.
Si detectors,
0.6 kg each.

Total: Ge: ~ 25 kg
Total: Si: ~ 3.6 kg

- ▶ High-purity Ge and Si crystals.
- ▶ Measurement of phonon signal via transition edge sensors.
- ▶ Bias voltage:
 - ▶ **iZIP**: < 10 V
 - => Phonon + ionization signal
 - => Nuclear / Electron Recoil discrimination.
 - ▶ **HV**: ~ 100 V
 - => Phonon amplification of ionization signal
 - => Very low threshold.

Prototype HVeV detector



Si crystal ($1\text{cm}^2 \times 4\text{mm}$, 0.93 g)
Phonon sensors

Crystal holder

Dilution refrigerator
sample stage (30 mK)

Bias voltage line

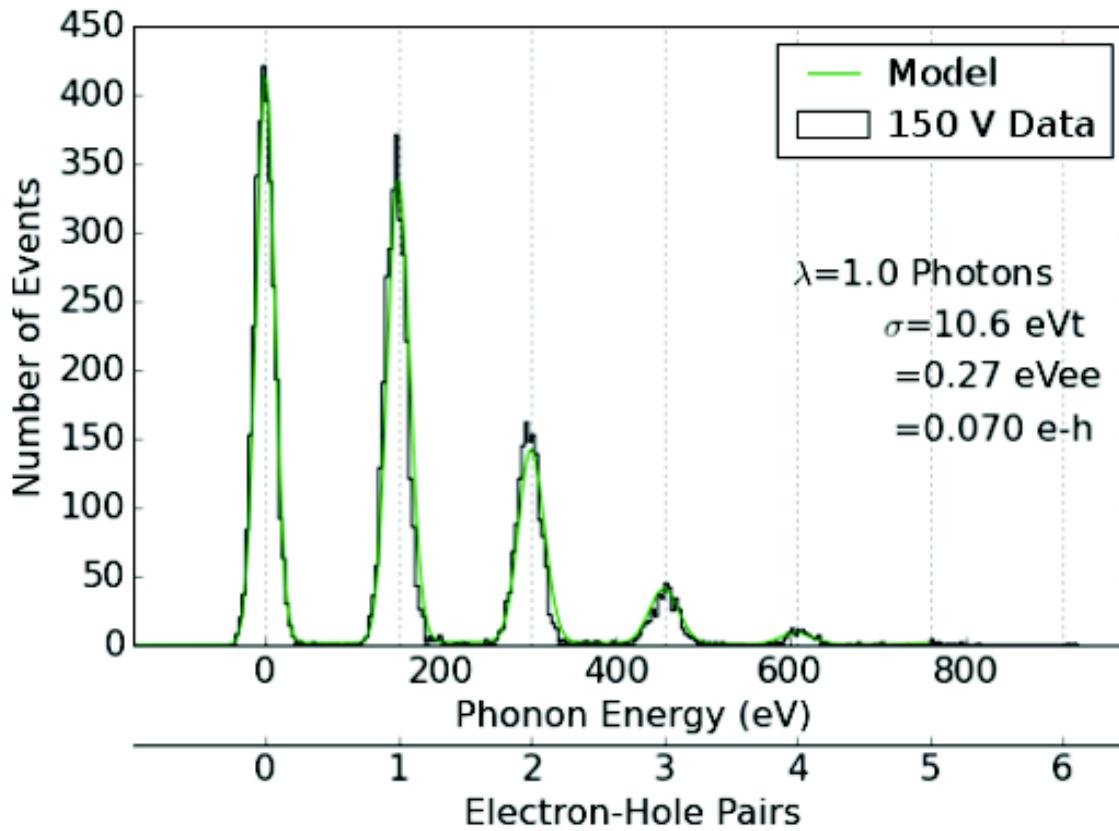
Fiber optic

$$V_{\text{bias}} = \sim 150 \text{ V}$$

- ▶ Strong NTL amplification of e^-h^+ pairs.
- ▶ Detector operated on surface at Stanford.

Prototype HVeV detector

- Si band gap: ~ 1.2
- Calibration data with pulsed 650 nm laser $\Rightarrow 1.91$

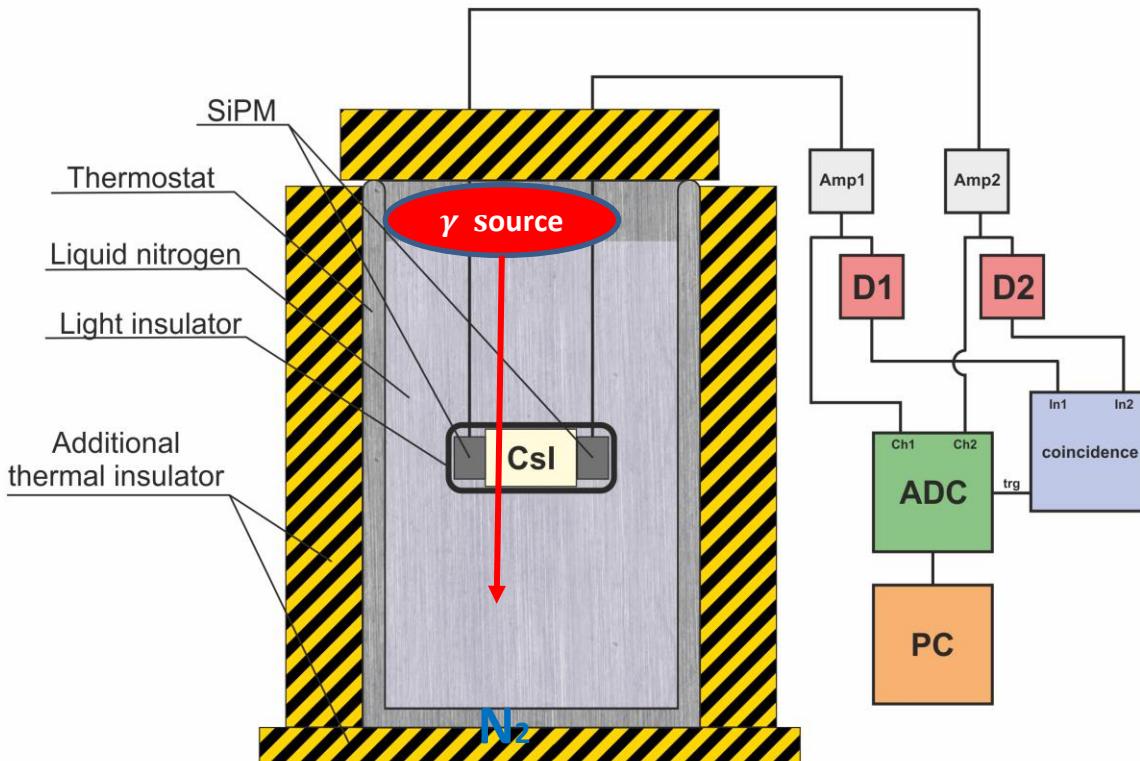


Sensitivity to single e^-h^+ pairs in Si crystal with a phonon sensor!

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Testing parameters of CsI crystal modules

@ Institute of Nuclear Research, RFNC



D1, D2 – discriminators
(used in the coincidence scheme)

- CsI(pure) scintillation crystal is wrapped in Teflon tape.
- First tests were conducted with *one* and *two* SiPM readouts.
- Several γ sources were used to test modules in wide energy range (Am-241, Co-57, Cs-137, Na-22)
- CsI crystals of two different sizes were tested ($15 \times 15 \times 15 \text{ mm}^3$ and $15 \times 15 \times 25 \text{ mm}^3$)

1. The noise level of SiPM was measured at liquid nitrogen temperature.
2. Light collection was measured with CsI crystals of several sizes and with several types of analog signal amplifiers.
3. A maximum signal of 35 photoelectrons/keV was obtained, which is close to the expected level.

*L. Wang et al., Reactor neutrino physics potentials of cryogenic pure-CsI crystal,
arXiv:2212.11515v1*

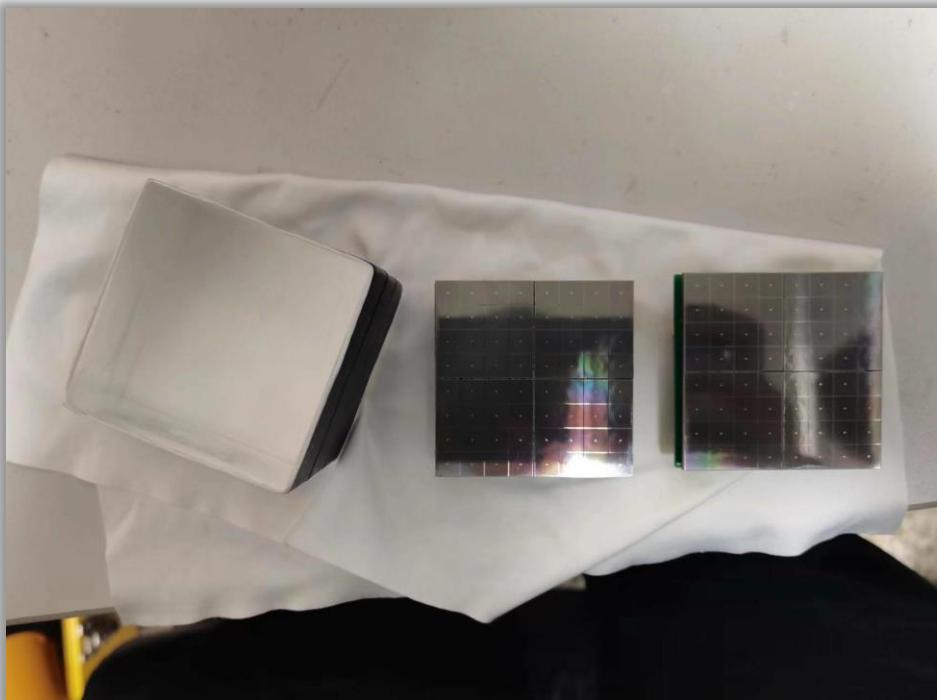


Fig. Main detector components:
one 2x2x2 inch³ cubic pure CsI crystal
&
two Hamamatsu S14161-6050HS-4 22
SiPM arrays

A world-leading scintillation light yield among inorganic crystals was measured from a 0.5 kg pure-CsI detector operated at 77 K.

Scintillation photons were detected by two 2-inch Hamamatsu SiPM arrays equipped with cryogenic front end electronics.

A light yield of 52.1 phe/keV energy deposit was obtained for X-rays and γ -rays with energies from 5.9 keV to 60 keV.