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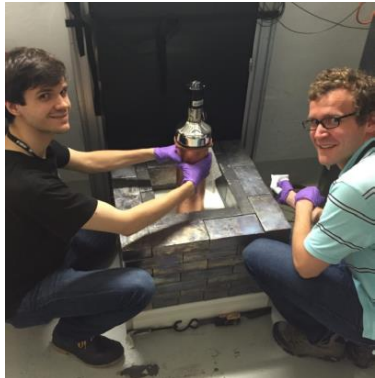
Status of COHERENT and new physics opportunities at SNS



~85 people, 21 institutions from 4 countries

Looking for new physics using coherent elastic ν -nucleus scattering (CEvNS)

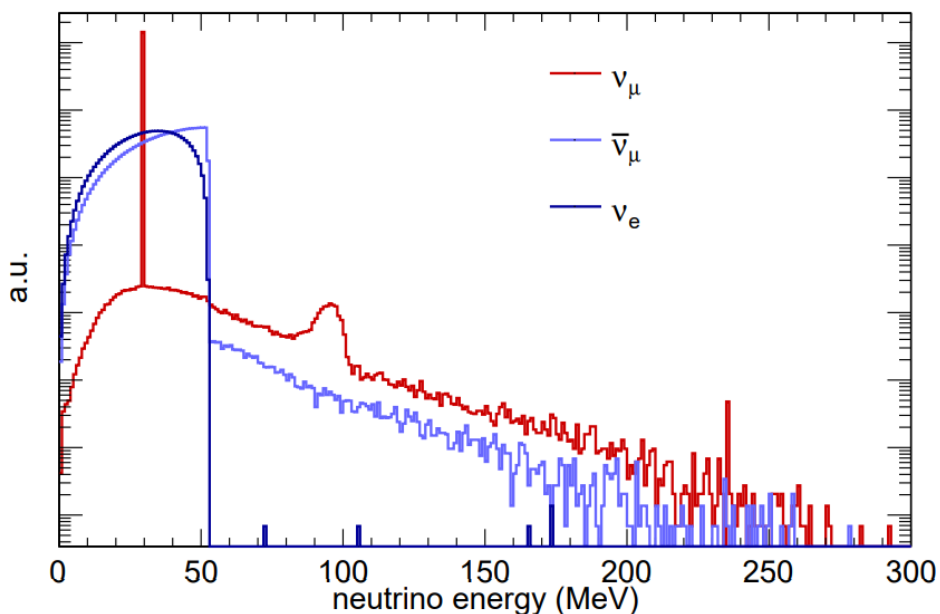
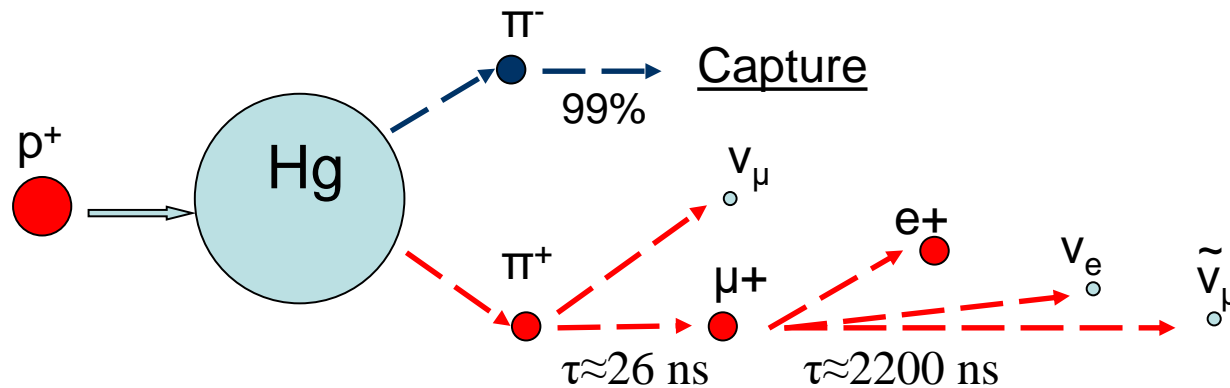
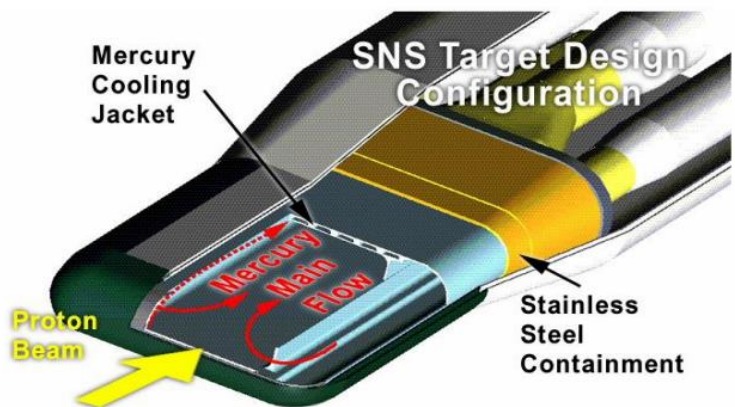
...but not only!



Bunches of ~ 1 GeV protons on the Hg target with 60 Hz frequency

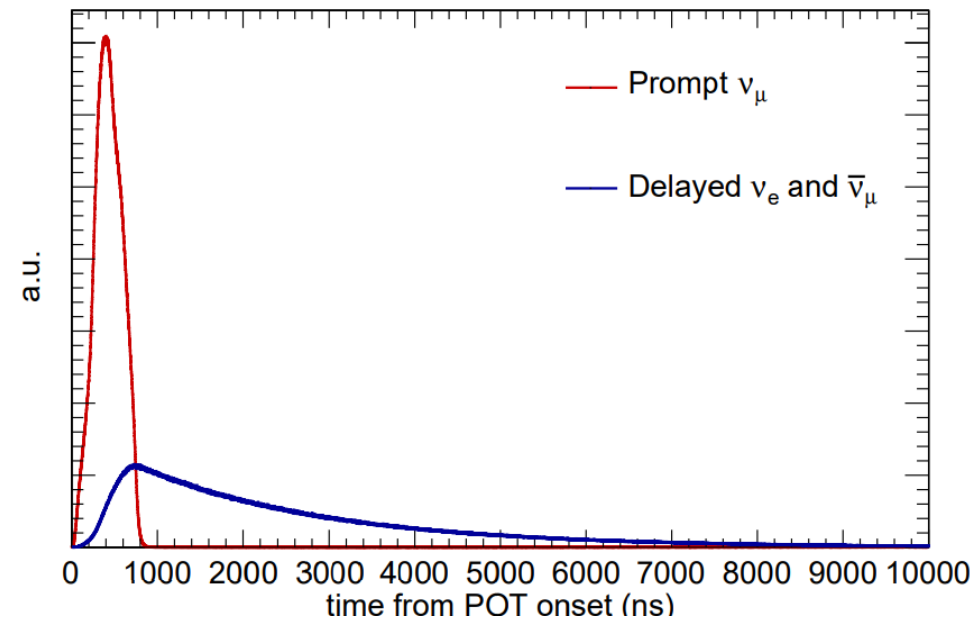
Proton bunch time profile with FWHM of ~ 350 ns

Total neutrino flux of $4.3 \cdot 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ at 20m

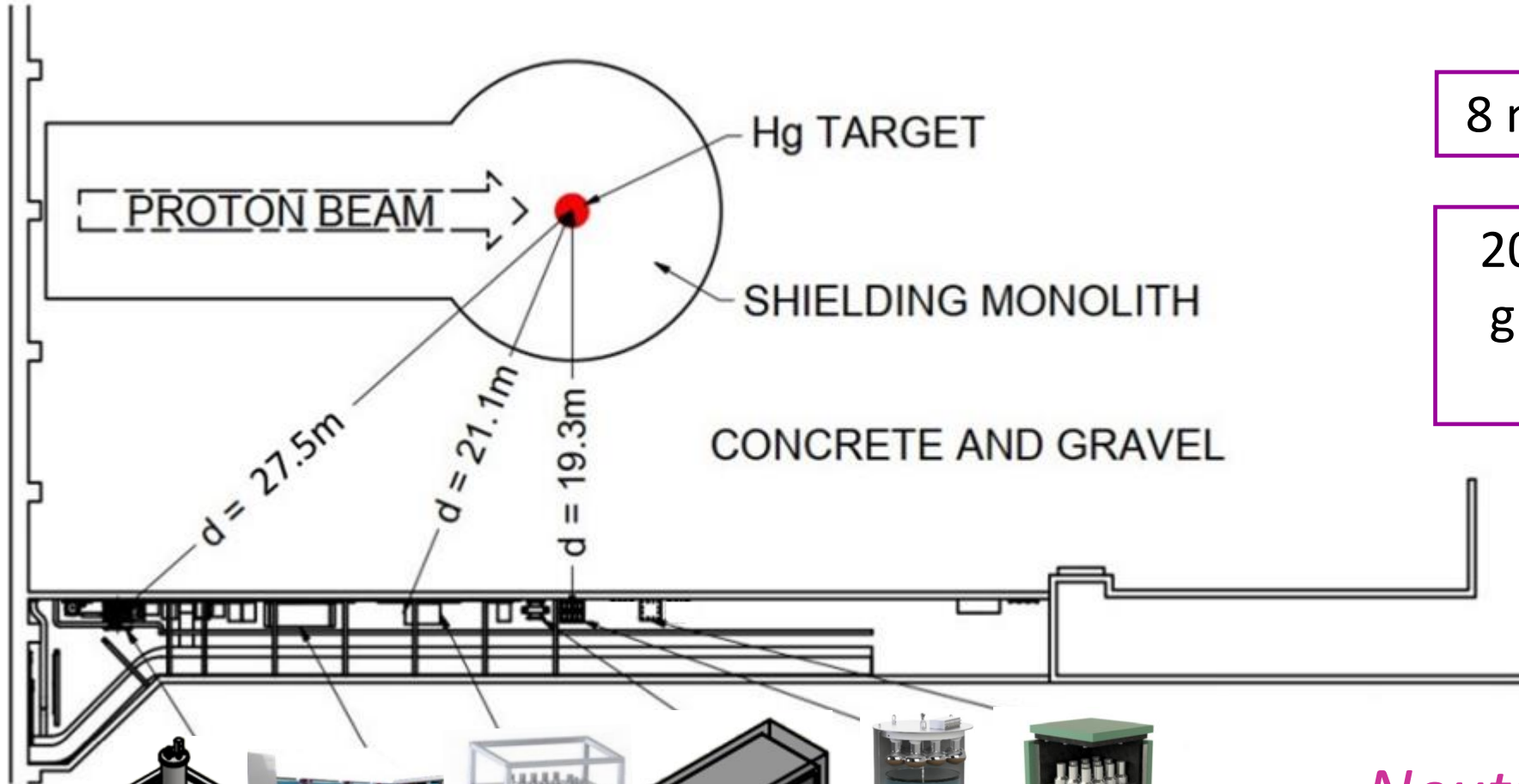


ν energy and timing suit well for CEvNS search

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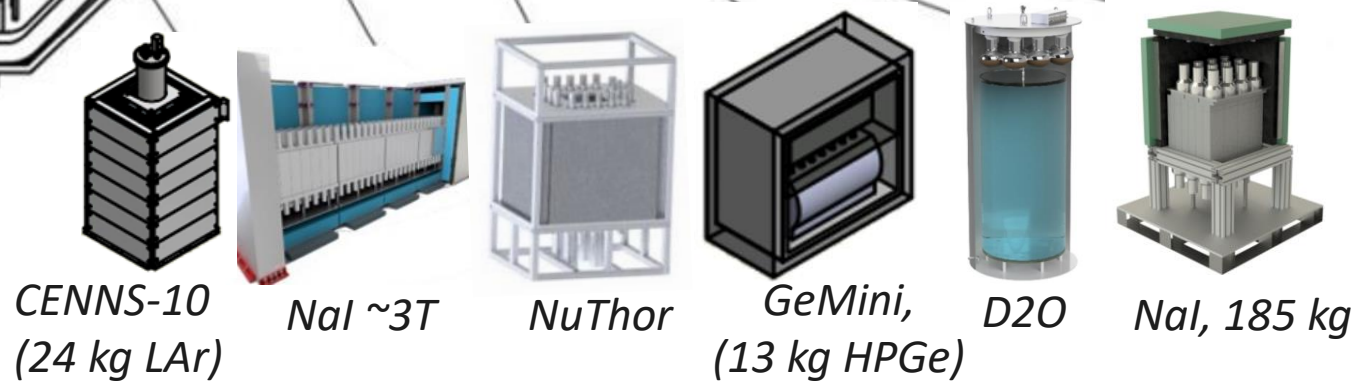


COHERENT detectors are hosted by the target building basement



8 m.w.e. vertical overburden

20 m of steel, concrete and gravel with no voids in the direction of the target



[Neutrino alley virtual tour](#)
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CsI[Na], 14.6 kg

LAr, 24 kg (CENNS-10)

2015-2017: *Science* vol. 357 iss. 6456 (2017)

2017: *PRD* vol. 100 115020 (2019)

6.7 σ first observation

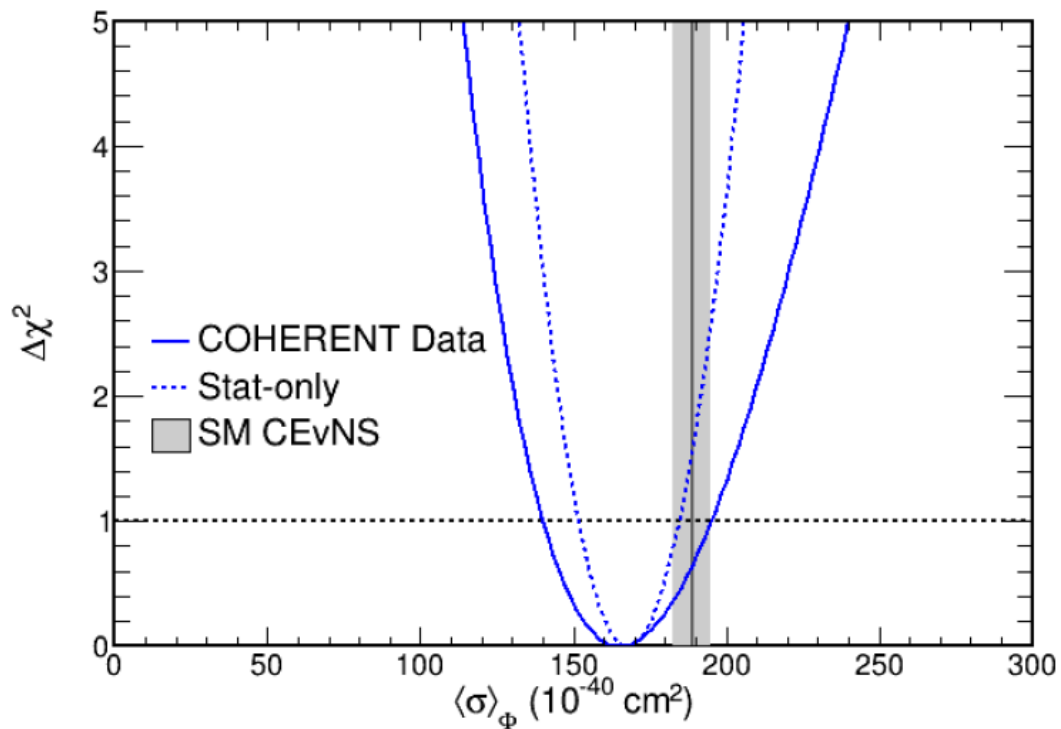
limit ~ 4 times SM (90% CL)

2015-2019: *PRL* vol. 129 081801 (2022)

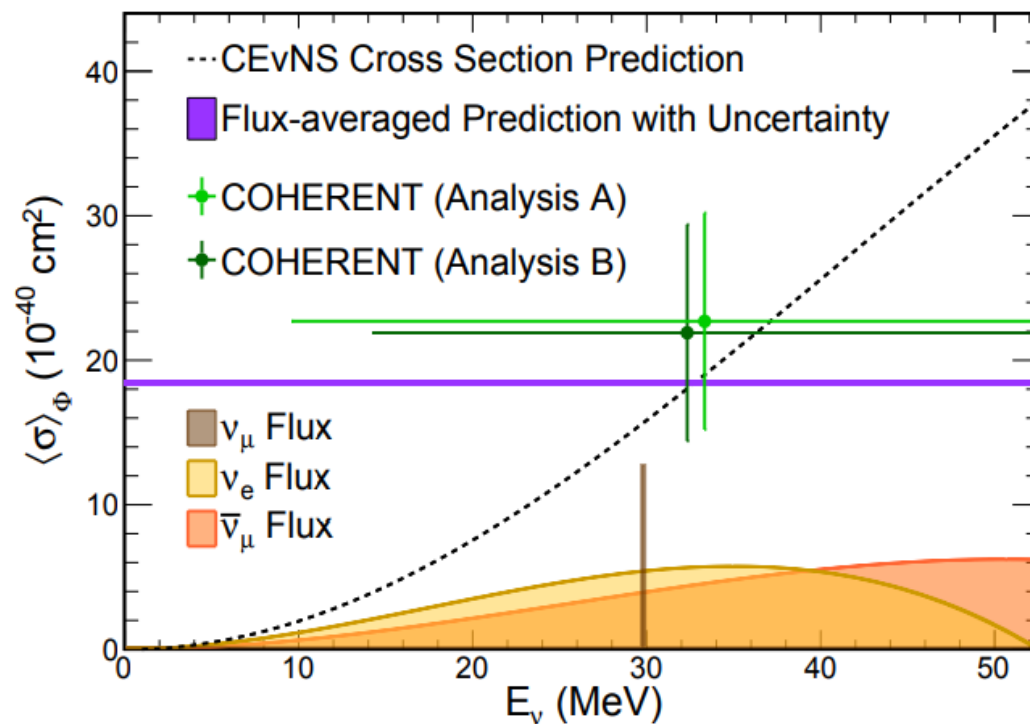
2017-2018: *PRL* vol. 126 012002 (2021)

11.6 σ at full statistics

observation at *3.1 σ*



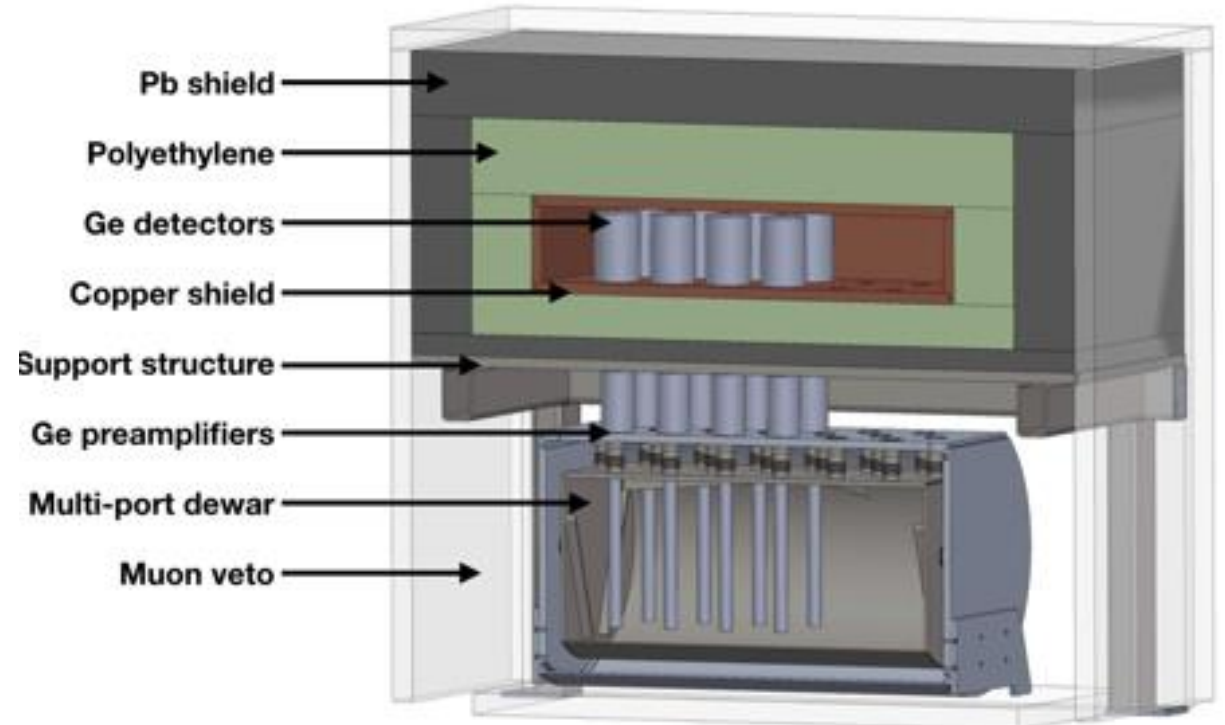
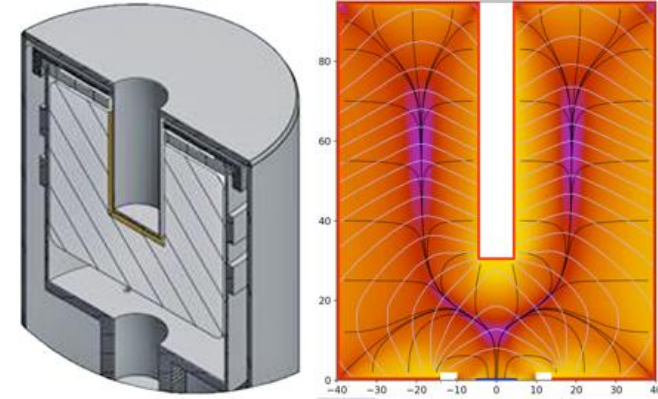
The end of exposure in 2019



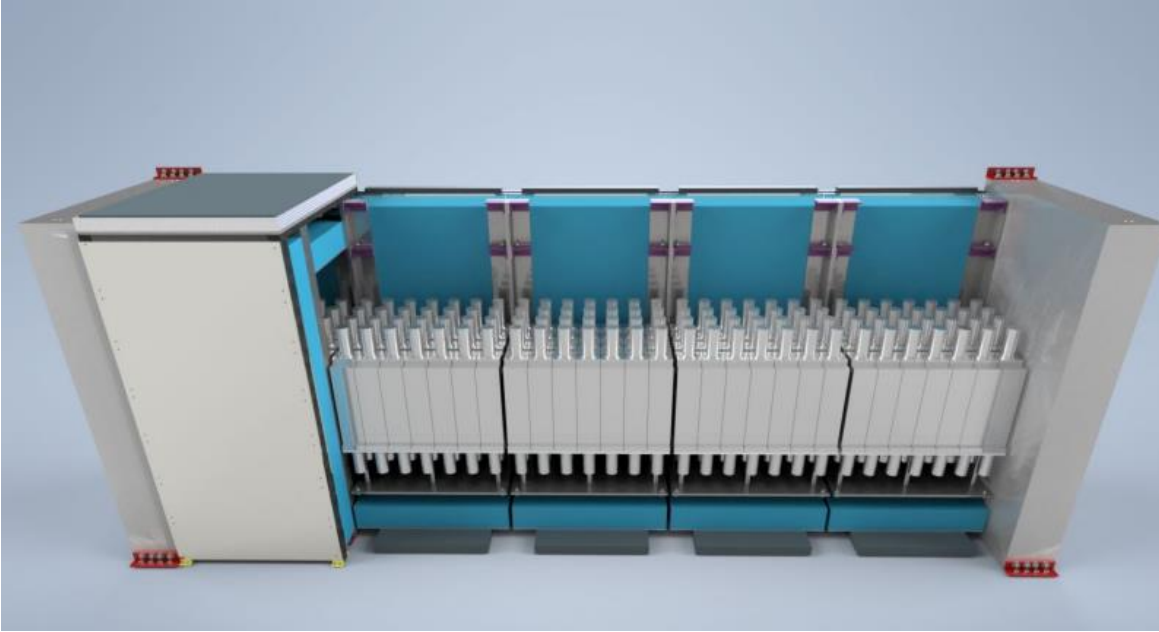
The full data (2017-2021) analysis is ongoing

HPGe PPC

6 detectors deployed, ~13 kg active mass,
100-150 eV FWHM pulser resolution,
expected threshold of $2.5 \text{ keV}_{nr} \approx 0.4 \text{ keV}_{ee}$



About a month of BEAM ON data acquired -> Initial results this fall



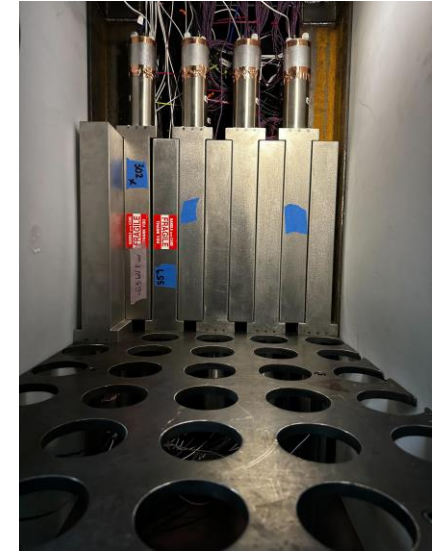
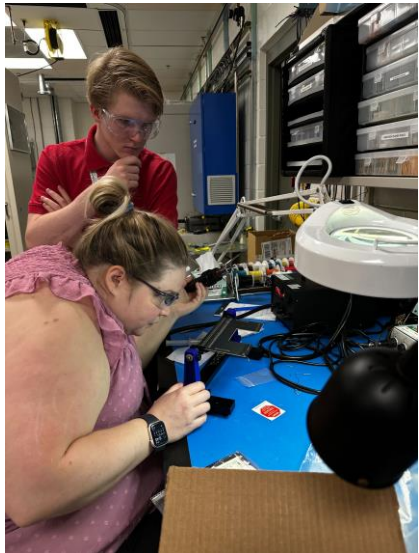
$\text{NaI}[\text{Tl}]$: 2.4T \rightarrow 3.4T

1 crystal = 7.7 kg,

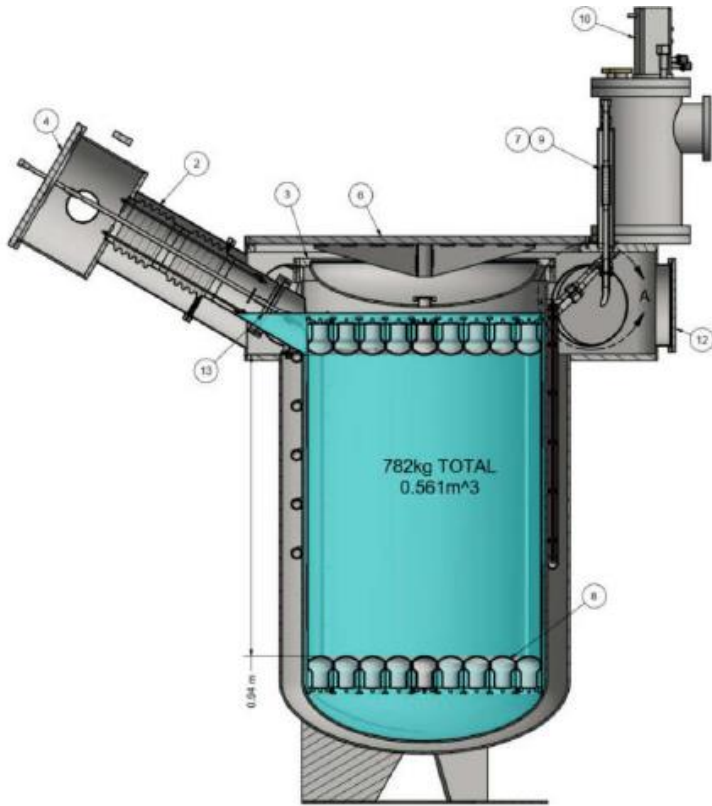
1 module = 63 crystals,

5 \rightarrow 7 modules planned [3 deployed ATM]

Sensitivity: 3σ per year (3.4 T), $E_{\text{thr}} = 13 \text{ keV}_{\text{nr}}$

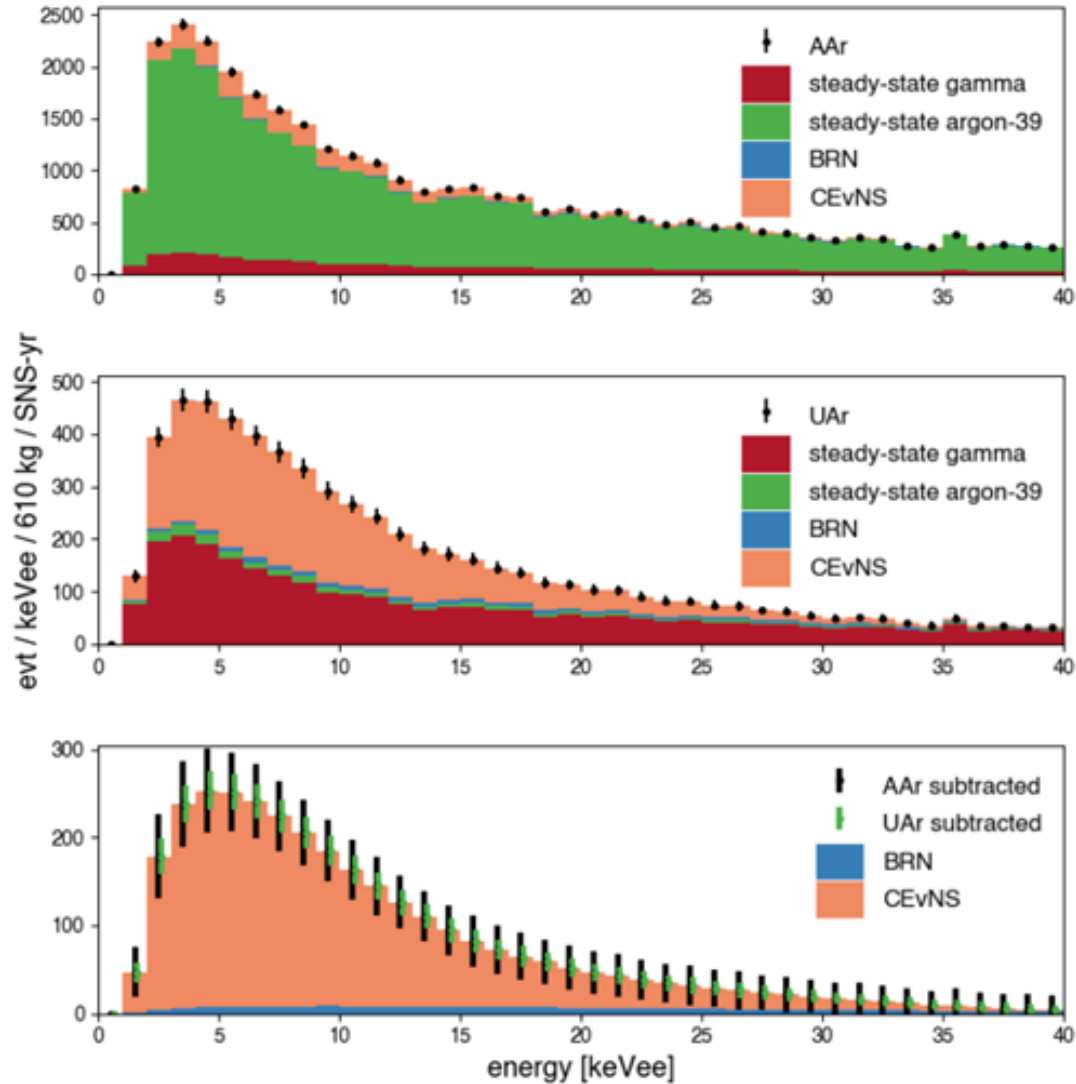


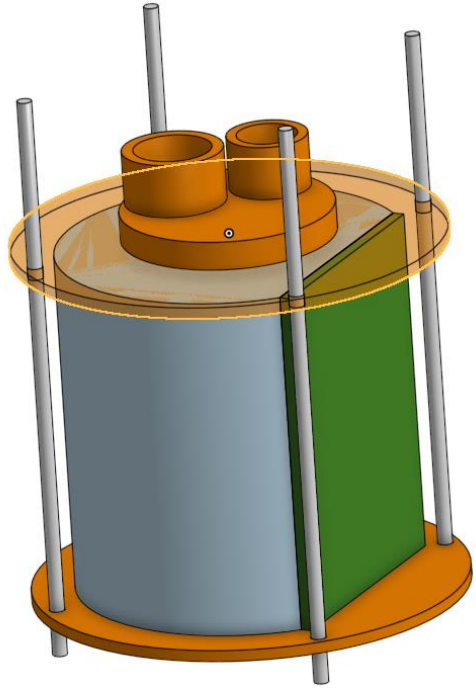
750 kg total (610 kg fid.), 3000 CEvNS/year
128 PMTs, TPB for wavelength shifting



Cryostat nearly complete, PMTs acquired

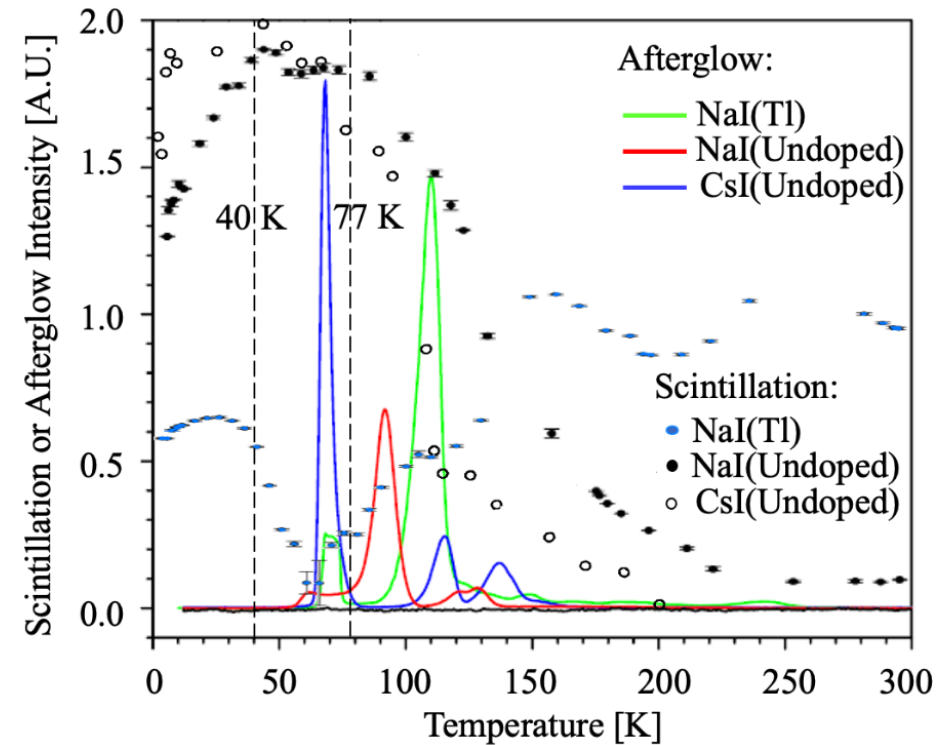
Planned to be deployed and running by 2025





Like CsI[Na], but better:

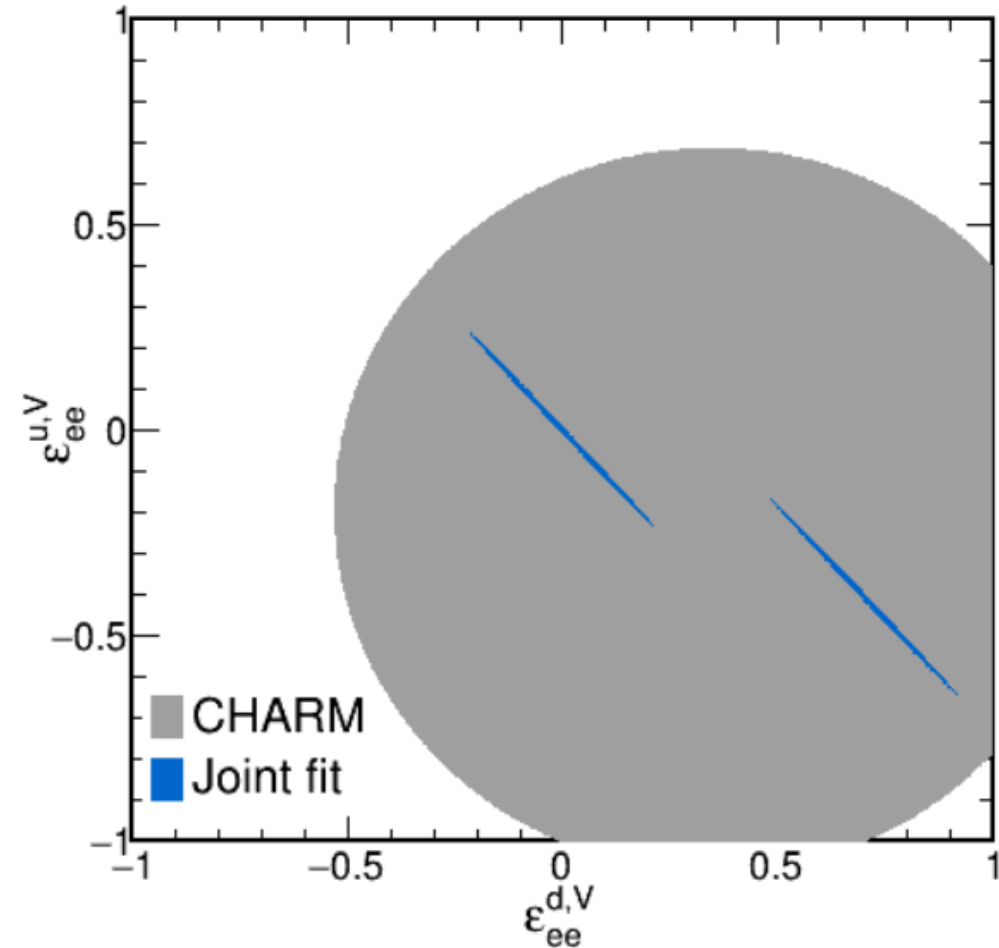
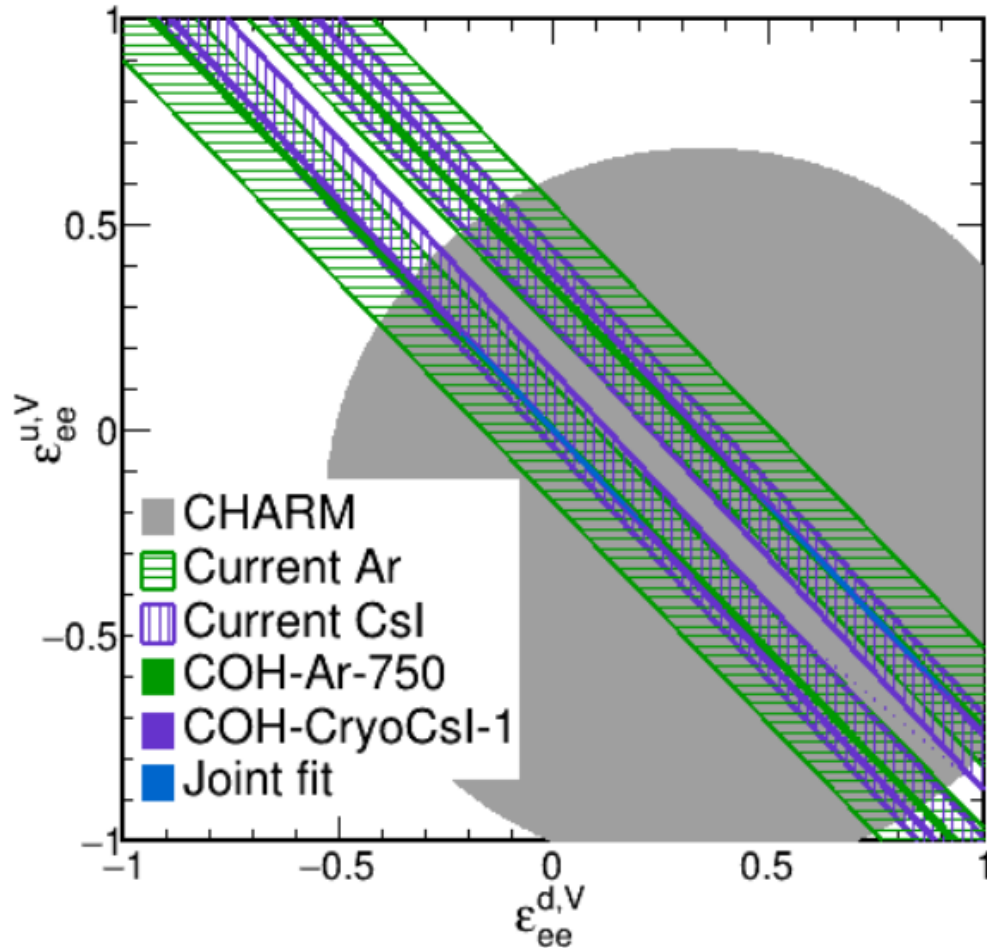
1. *Higher light yield at or below 77 K*
2. *SiPMs:*
 - *high QE*
 - *no Cherenkov radiation*
 - *low dark count rate (low T)*



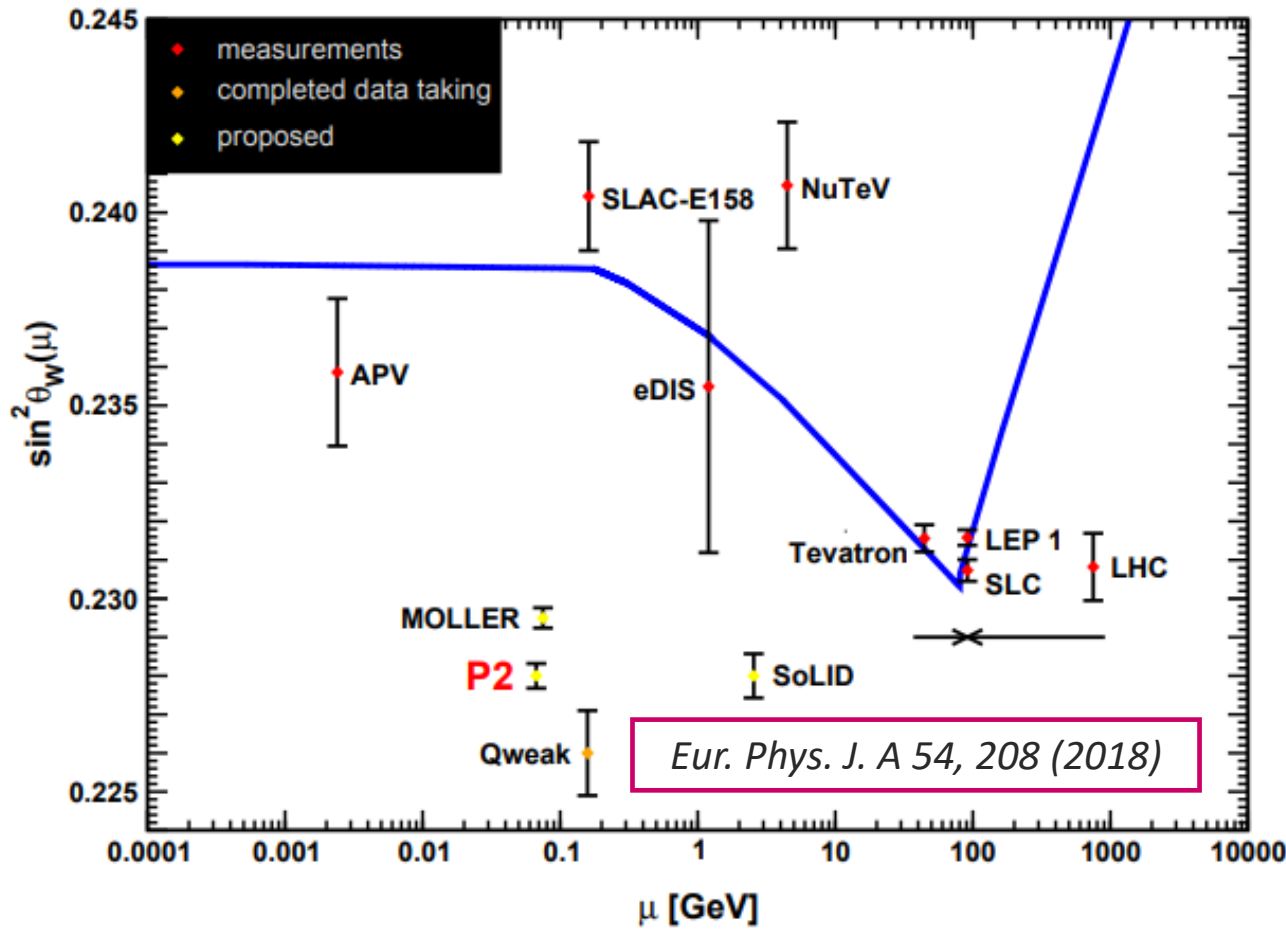
- R&D:*
- *detector shape and size: ~10 kg, 6" x 6" cylinder*
 - *cooling: LN or cryocooler*
 - *QF measurements at TUNL*
 - *about 1.4 keV_{nr} threshold planned*

Vector-like ν - q NSI, $Q_\alpha^2 = [Z (g_p^V + 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^u + \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^d) + N (g_n^V + \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^u + 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^d)]^2$, see *JHEP 12 (2005) 021*

Different nuclei -> Different Z/N = Different u to d quark ratio



Testing multiple techniques to identify optimal: sensitivity/scalability/price

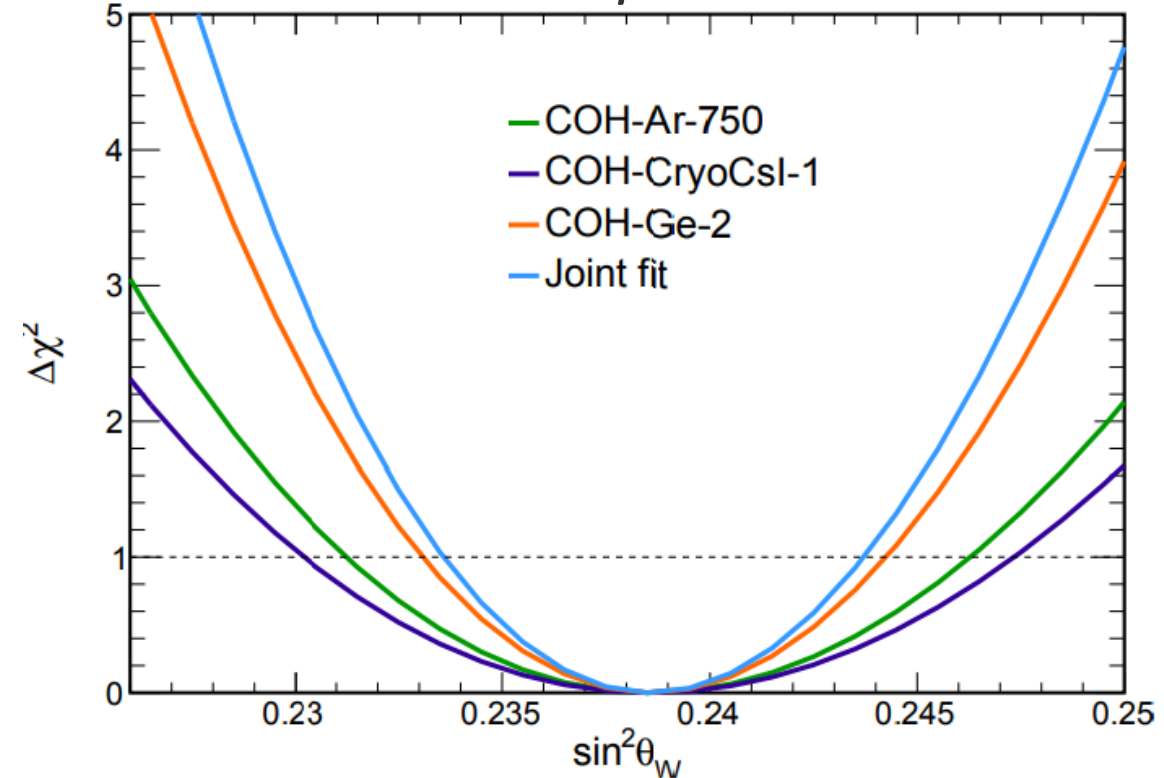


EW couplings running with the scale

From Csl[Na]

$$\sin^2\theta_W = 0.220^{+0.028}_{-0.026}$$

Future: ~2% comparable to PV



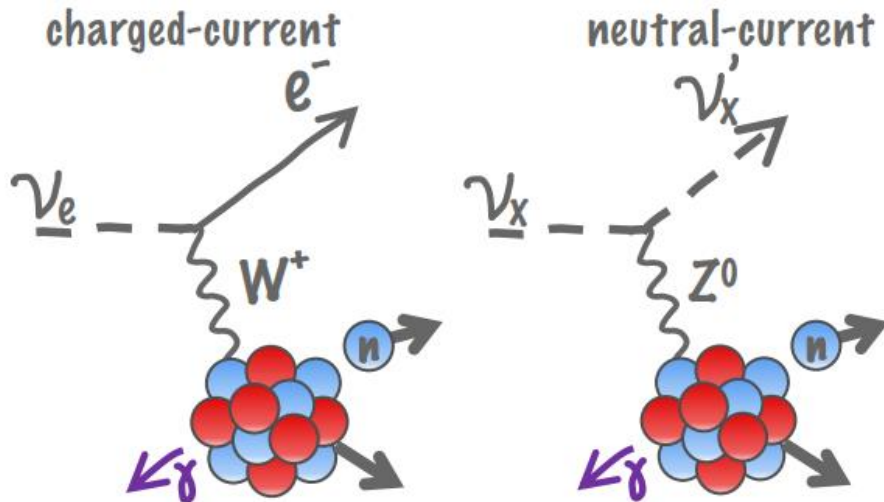
An interesting alternative way of ν detection:

- larger cross sections (vs. IBD & ν -e)
- denser targets
- different detector technologies

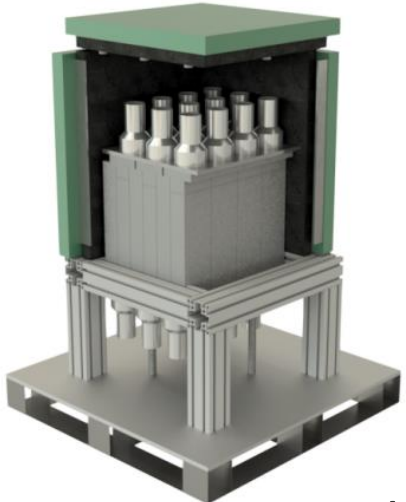
List of <300 MeV neutrino-nucleus measurements with terrestrial sources

Isotope	Reaction Channel	Source	Experiment	Measurement (10^{-42} cm^2)	Theory (10^{-42} cm^2)
^2H	$^2\text{H}(\nu_e, e^-)pp$	Stopped π/μ	LAMPF	$52 \pm 18(\text{tot})$	54 (IA) (Tatara <i>et al.</i> , 1990)
^{12}C	$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_e, e^-)^{12}\text{N}_{g.s.}$	Stopped π/μ	KARMEN	$9.1 \pm 0.5(\text{stat}) \pm 0.8(\text{sys})$	9.4 [Multipole] (Donnelly and Peccei, 1979)
		Stopped π/μ	E225	$10.5 \pm 1.0(\text{stat}) \pm 1.0(\text{sys})$	9.2 [EPT] (Fukugita <i>et al.</i> , 1988).
		Stopped π/μ	LSND	$8.9 \pm 0.3(\text{stat}) \pm 0.9(\text{sys})$	8.9 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b)
	$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_e, e^-)^{12}\text{N}^*$	Stopped π/μ	KARMEN	$5.1 \pm 0.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{sys})$	5.4-5.6 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b)
		Stopped π/μ	E225	$3.6 \pm 2.0(\text{tot})$	4.1 [Shell] (Hayes and S, 2000)
		Stopped π/μ	LSND	$4.3 \pm 0.4(\text{stat}) \pm 0.6(\text{sys})$	
$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_\mu, \nu_\mu)^{12}\text{C}^*$	Stopped π/μ	KARMEN	$3.2 \pm 0.5(\text{stat}) \pm 0.4(\text{sys})$	2.8 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b)	
	Stopped π/μ	KARMEN	$10.5 \pm 1.0(\text{stat}) \pm 0.9(\text{sys})$	10.5 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b)	
$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_\mu, \mu^-)X$	Decay in Flight	LSND		$1060 \pm 30(\text{stat}) \pm 180(\text{sys})$	1750-1780 [CRPA] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999b) 1380 [Shell] (Hayes and S, 2000) 1115 [Green's Function] (Meucci <i>et al.</i> , 2004)
					$56 \pm 8(\text{stat}) \pm 10(\text{sys})$
^{56}Fe	$^{56}\text{Fe}(\nu_e, e^-)^{56}\text{Co}$	Stopped π/μ	KARMEN	$256 \pm 108(\text{stat}) \pm 43(\text{sys})$	264 [Shell] (Kolbe <i>et al.</i> , 1999a)
^{71}Ga	$^{71}\text{Ga}(\nu_e, e^-)^{71}\text{Ge}$	^{51}Cr source	GALLEX, ave.	$0.0054 \pm 0.0009(\text{tot})$	0.0058 [Shell] (Haxton, 1998)
		^{51}Cr	SAGE	$0.0055 \pm 0.0007(\text{tot})$	
		^{37}Ar source	SAGE	$0.0055 \pm 0.0006(\text{tot})$	0.0070 [Shell] (Bahcall, 1997)
^{127}I	$^{127}\text{I}(\nu_e, e^-)^{127}\text{Xe}$	Stopped π/μ	LAMPF	$284 \pm 91(\text{stat}) \pm 25(\text{sys})$	210-310 [Quasi-particle] (Engel <i>et al.</i> , 1994)

[J. A. Formaggio & G. P. Zeller, Rev. Mod. Phys 84 (2012)]



SNS gives an opportunity to test this alternative channel!



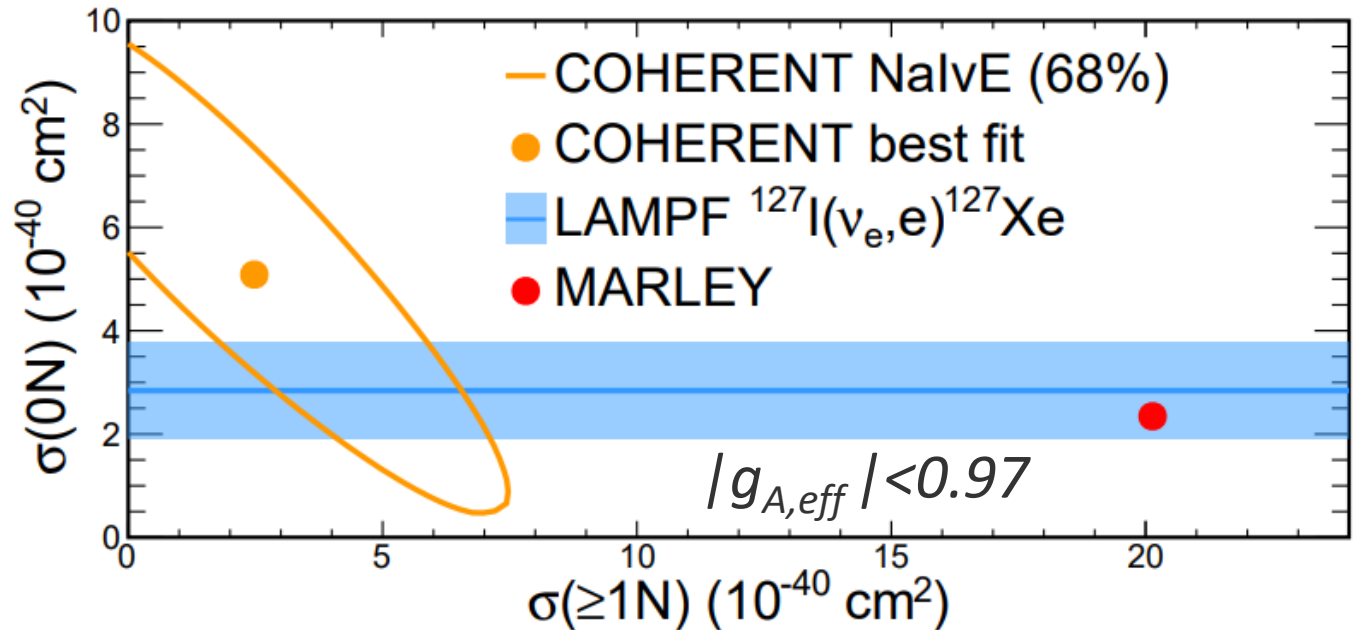
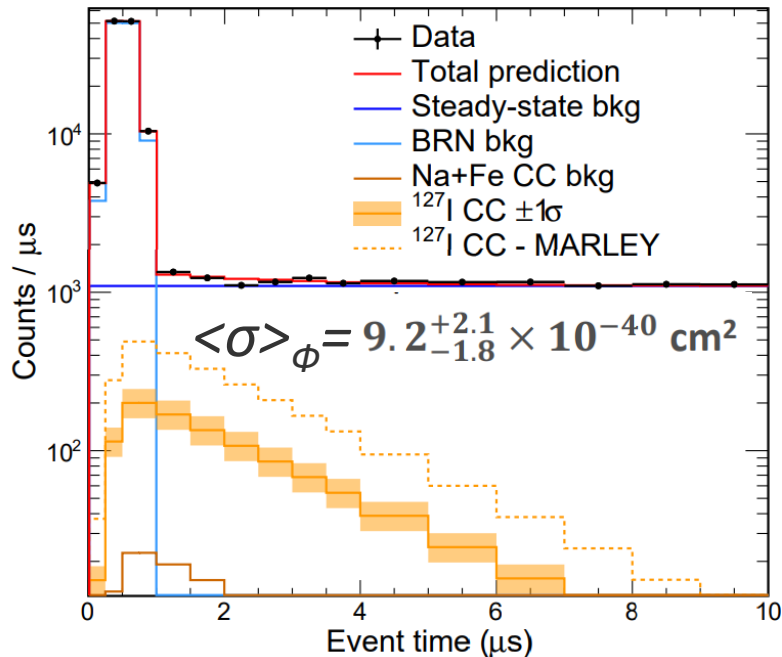
Motivation:

1. Initial: $\nu_e + ^{127}\text{I} \rightarrow e^- + ^{127}\text{Xe}^*$ for solar ^7Be ν_e
2. Cross section depends on g_A (at $\sim 10\text{s MeV Q}$)

Detector: 24×7.7 kg NaI[TI] crystals Exposure: ~ 5 years
 Signal: 10-55 MeV electrons in the delayed neutrino window

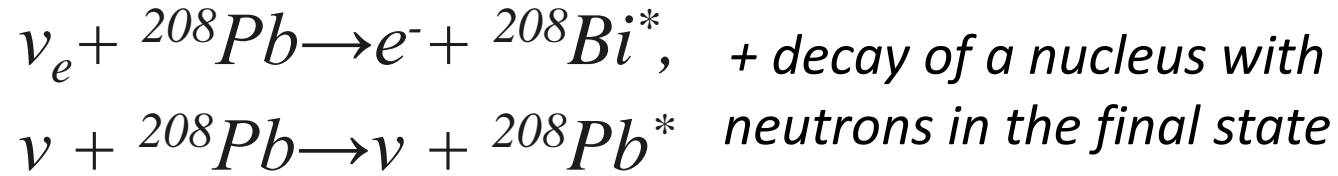
5.8 σ CC signal (541 events), but 41% lower than MARLEY prediction

If deconvolved to 0N and $\geq 1\text{N}$ by energy deposition, data suggests lack of events with neutron emission





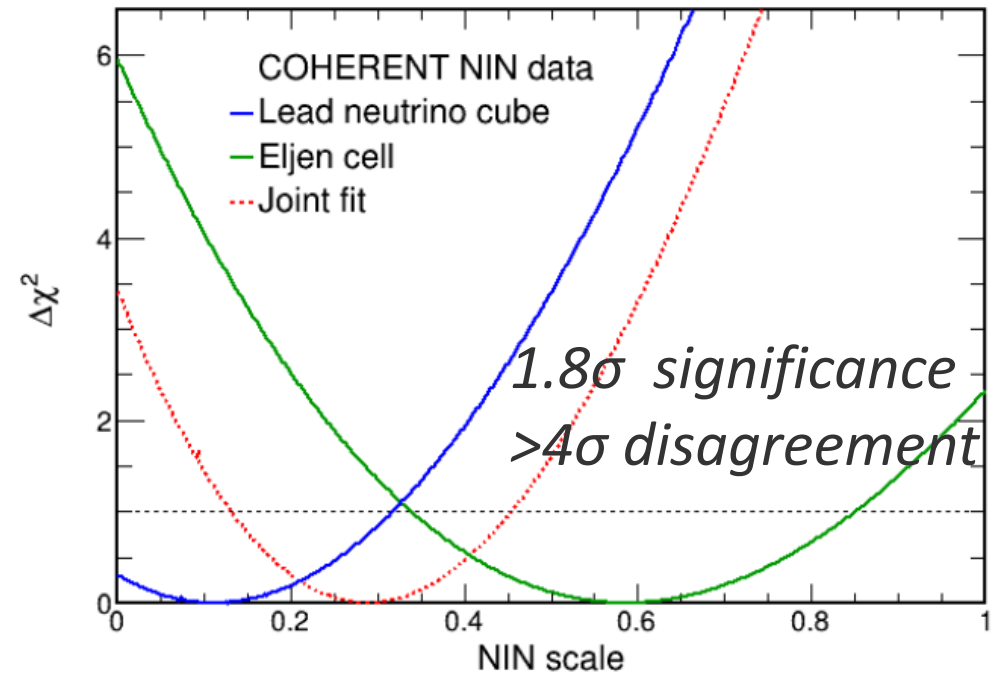
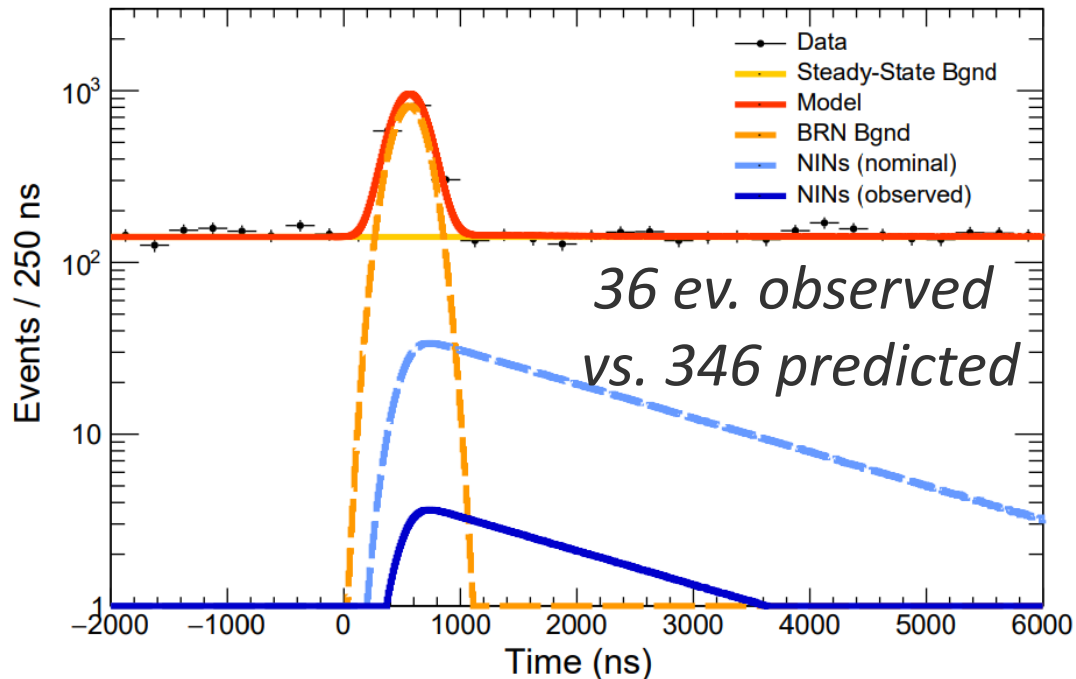
900 kg lead



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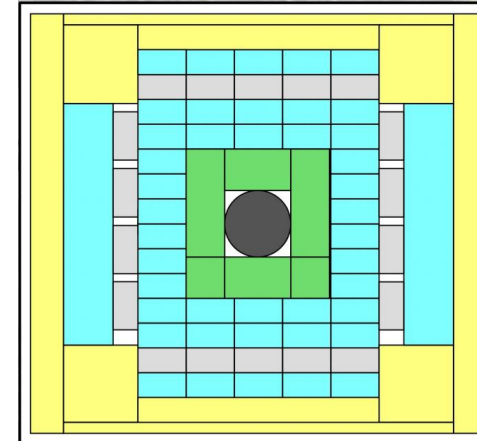
1. Can be a background for CEvNS ($M_{\text{shield}} \gg M_{\text{det}}$)
2. Can be used for supernova neutrino detection (HALO)

factor $0.29^{+0.17}_{-0.17}$ suppression vs. MARLEY in combination with LS in the CsI shielding



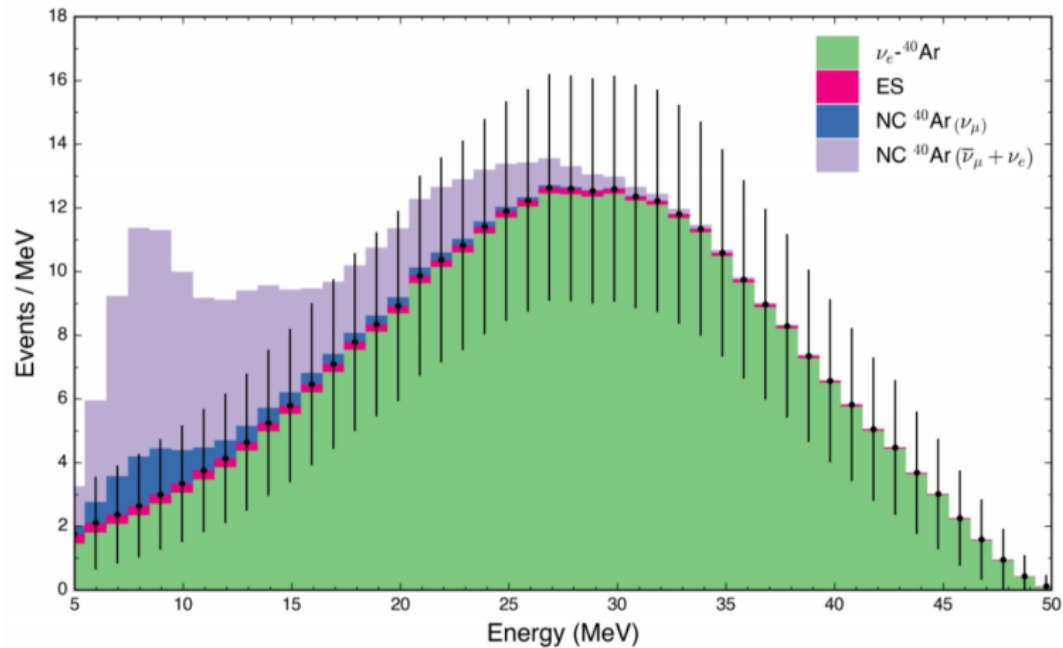
Looking for neutrino-induced thorium fission – predicted in 1971, but not observed yet

52 kg metal Thorium deployed, looking for high neutron multiplicity events

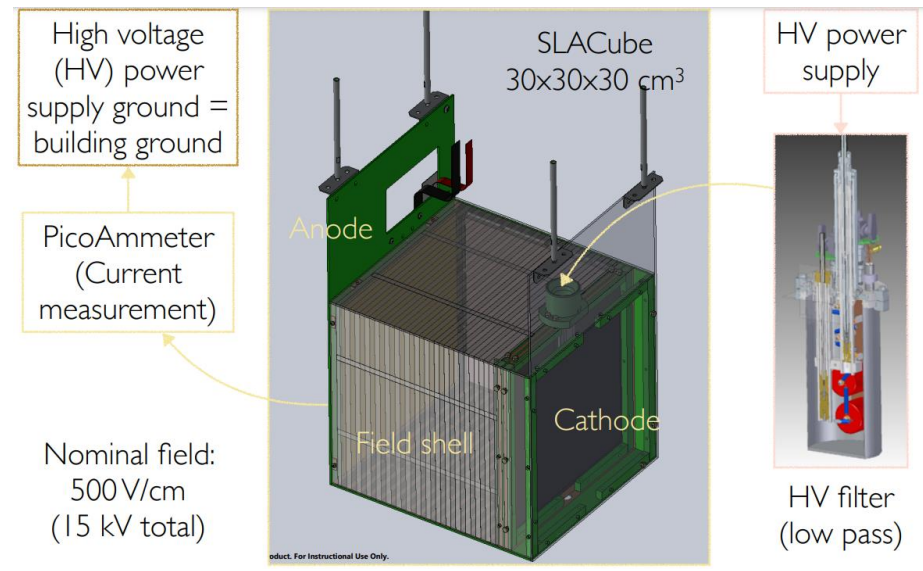


Th-232 Metal	Black
Lead	Green
Gd-Water	Cyan
NaI[Tl]	Grey
Bor. Poly.	Yellow

CENNS-750: ~340 ν CC and 100 NC per SNS year



LAr TPC: 250 kg LAr to for DUNE-like CC detection



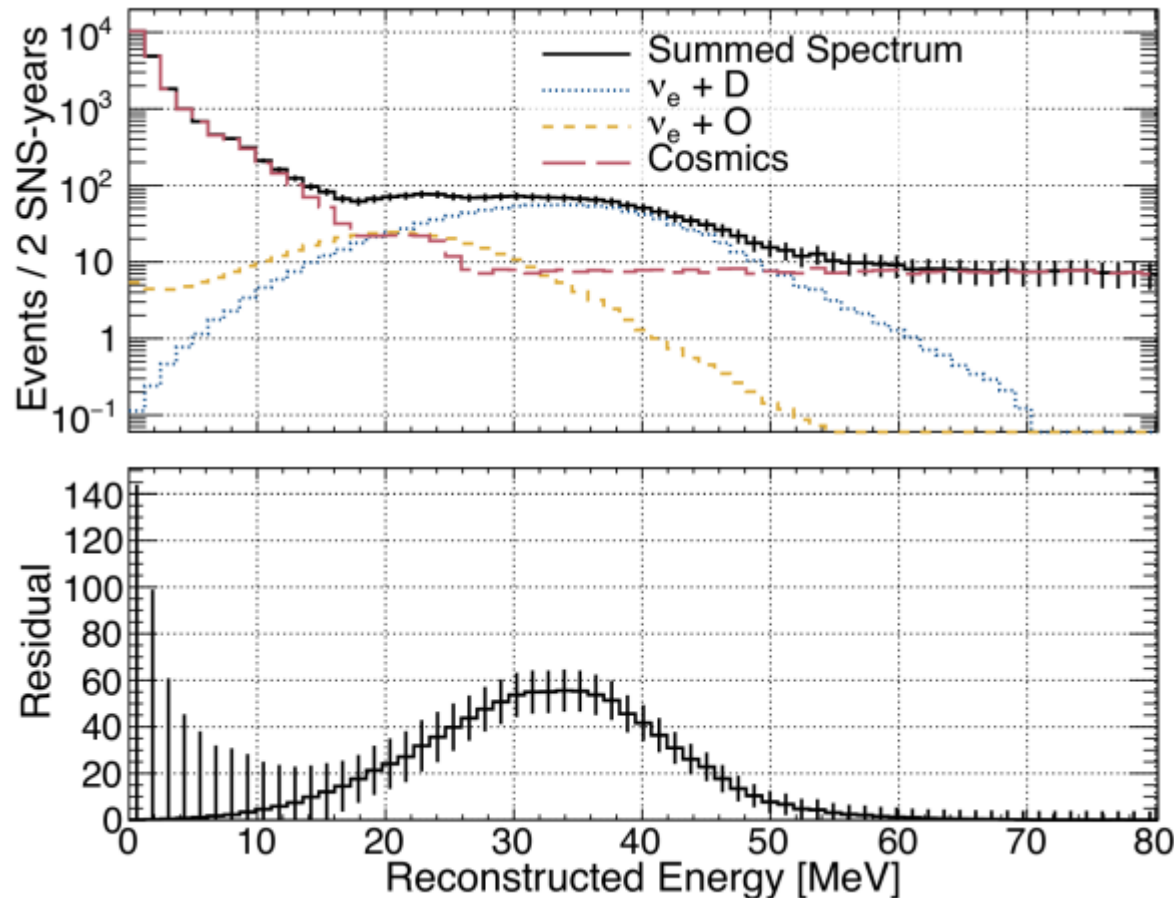
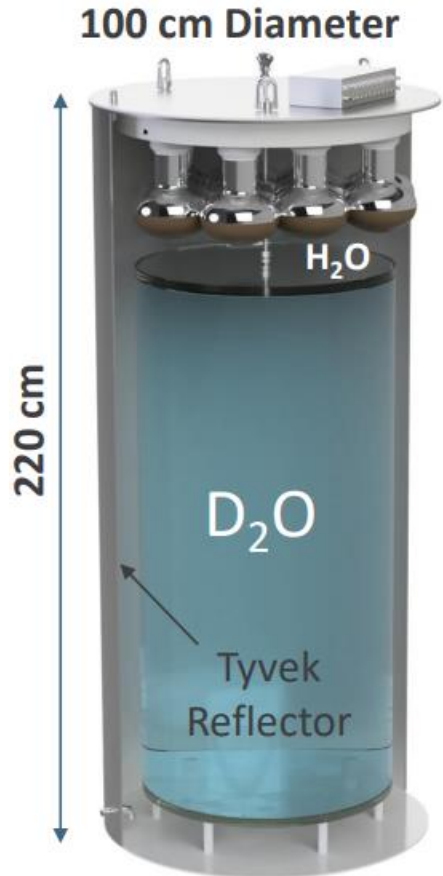
R&D, prototype operation

Nominal field: 500 V/cm (15 kV total)

Leading syst. right now: $\pm 10\%$ on the neutrino flux

PRD 106, 032003 (2022)

Idea: measure flux with $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e$



Two modules,
592 kg D₂O each

Down to $\sim 5\%$ flux unc-ty
with a single module for 2
SNS-years of operation

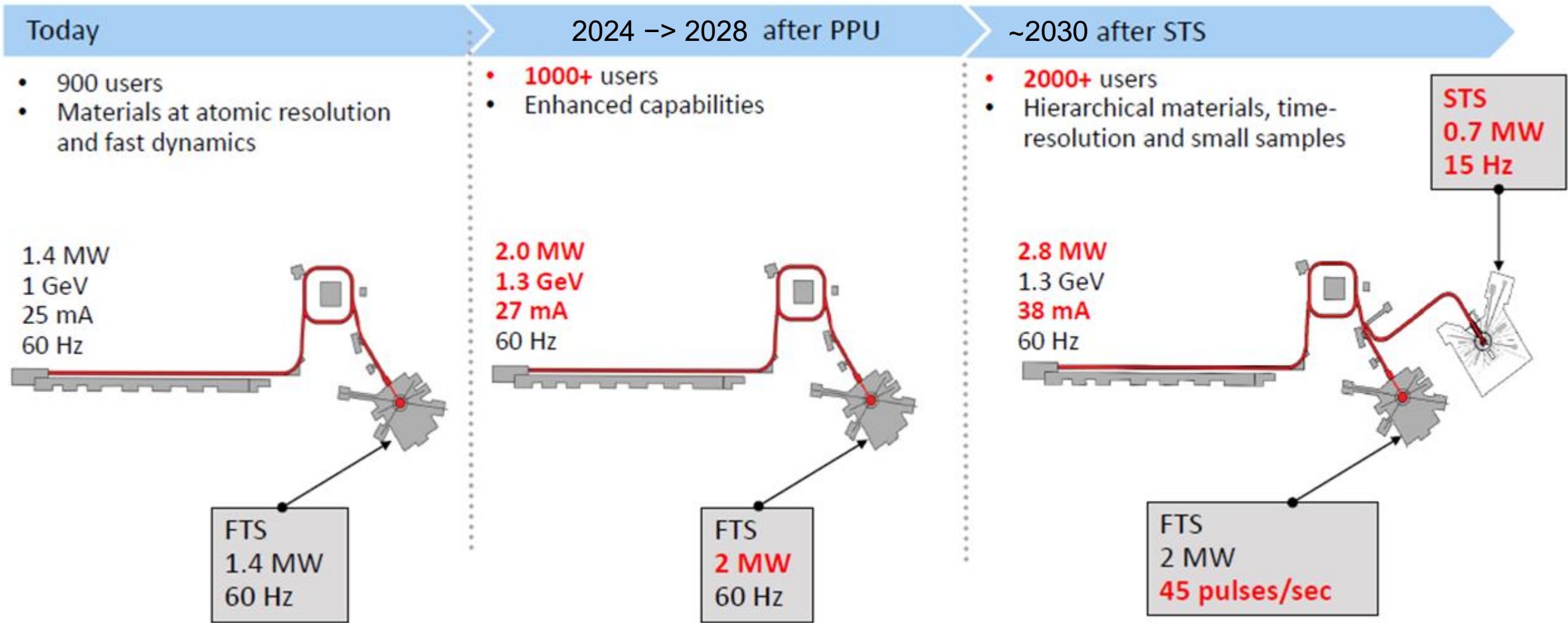
First module deployed!

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Bonus: charge current (CC) on oxygen for supernova ν in Super/Hyper-Kamiokande

FY23												
	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23
SNS	FY22C		T31 - PPU Test Target 2 (MTX-029) 1992 hours - ramp up to 1.55 MW @ 1.05 GeV			FY23A				(PPU 2MW Target) 1288 hours - ramp to 1.6/1.7 MW @ 1.05 GeV		FY24A
HFIR	499	EOC 499	500	EOC 500				501	EOC 501	502	EOC 502	503

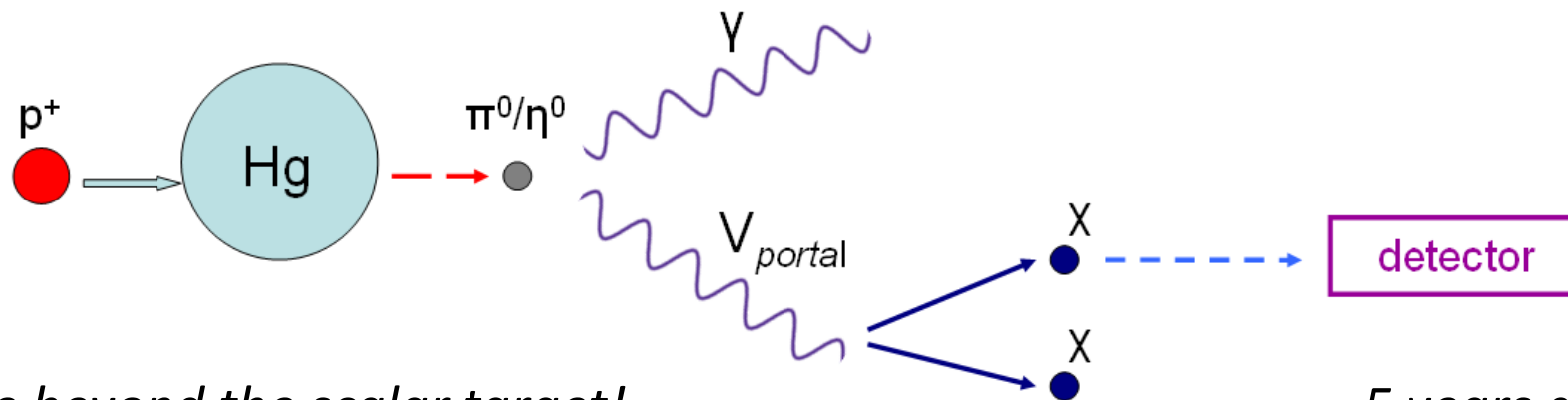
FY24														
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SNS	FY24A									PPU 2MW Target Ramp to 1.7 MW @ 1.3 GeV for 1250 hr KPP				
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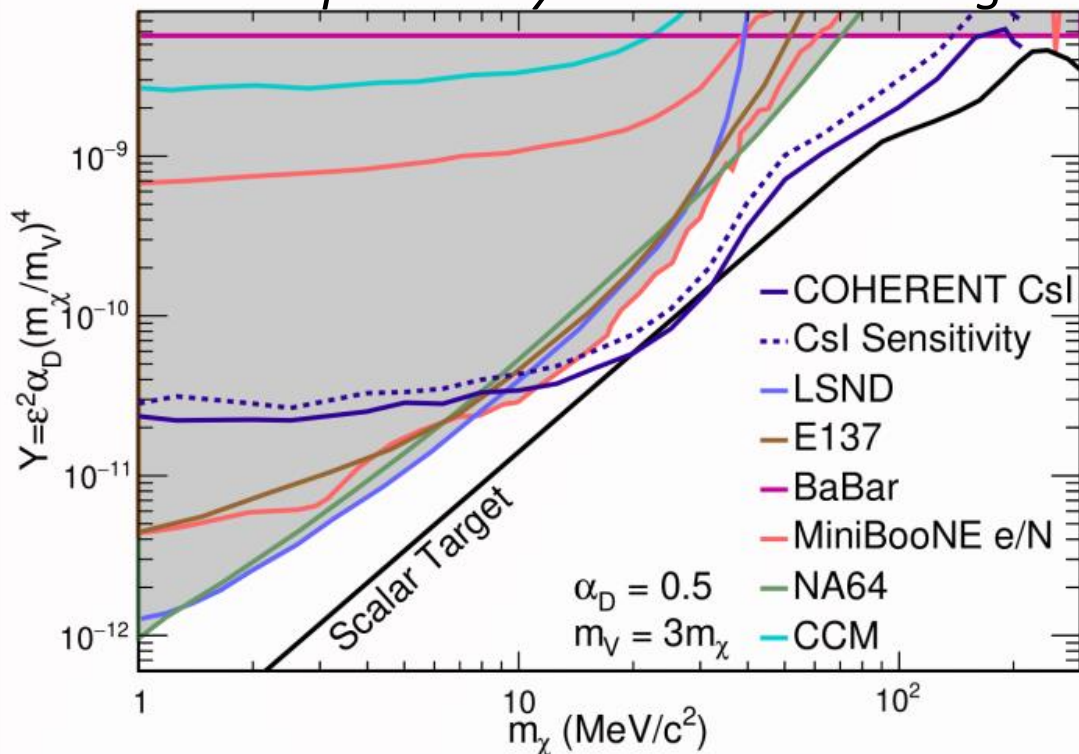
*The Second Target Station (STS) provides more dedicated neutrino physics space
 COHERENT is in contact with ORNL on this matter (space/background level optimization)*

« V kinetic mixing with γ » PRL 130, 051803 (2023)

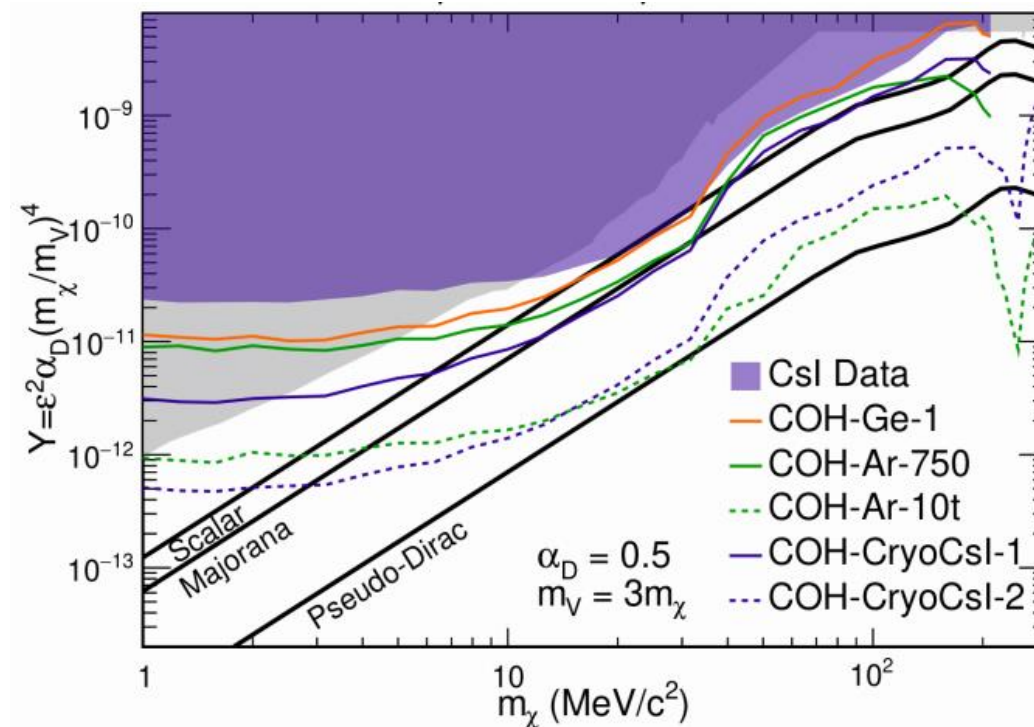
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First to probe beyond the scalar target!



5 years at STS



Consider disappearance:

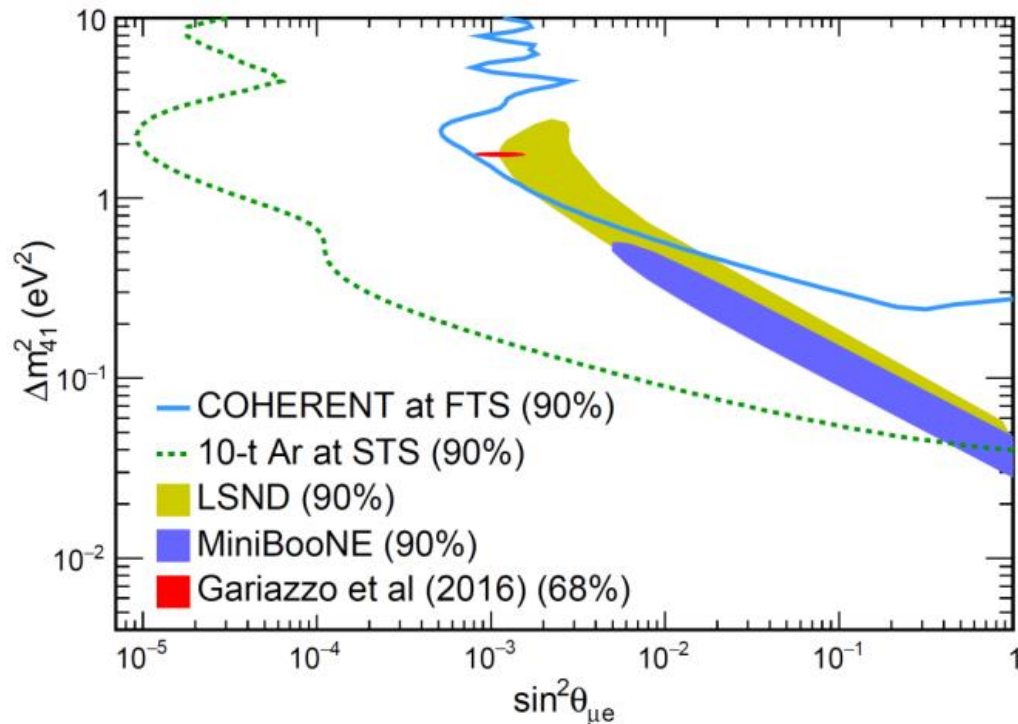
$$1 - P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{14} \cos^2 \theta_{24} \cos^2 \theta_{34} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}$$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_s) = 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{14} \sin^2 2\theta_{24} \cos^2 \theta_{34} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}$$

We need a prior constraint on θ_{34} ,
take from 3-flavor oscillations

Neutrino energy from 10 to 53 MeV, distances from 19 to 28 m \rightarrow Δm_{41}^2 between 0.4 and 3.4 eV²

Sensitivity estimates (FTS - 3 years, STS - 5 years)

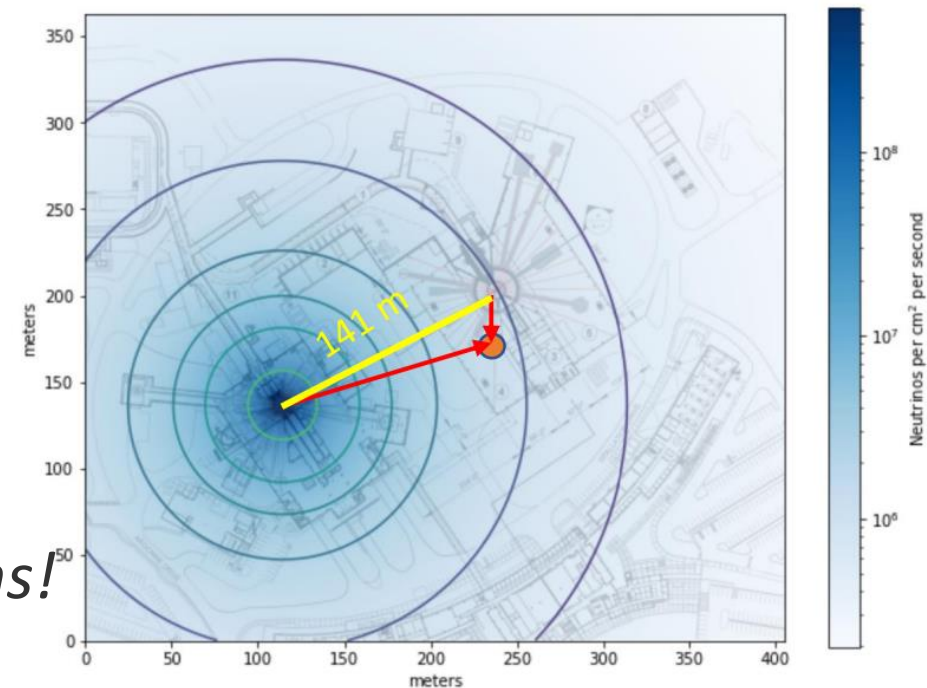


Consider 10T LAr

$$L_{STS} = 20m,$$

$$L_{FTS} = 121m$$

1 detector, 2 beams!



Collaboration operates multiple detectors in the «Neutrino Alley» at SNS



Wide physics reach

CEvNS

$\sin^2\theta_W$

Nuclear FF

Inelastic ν interactions (CC, NC)

ν -q NSI

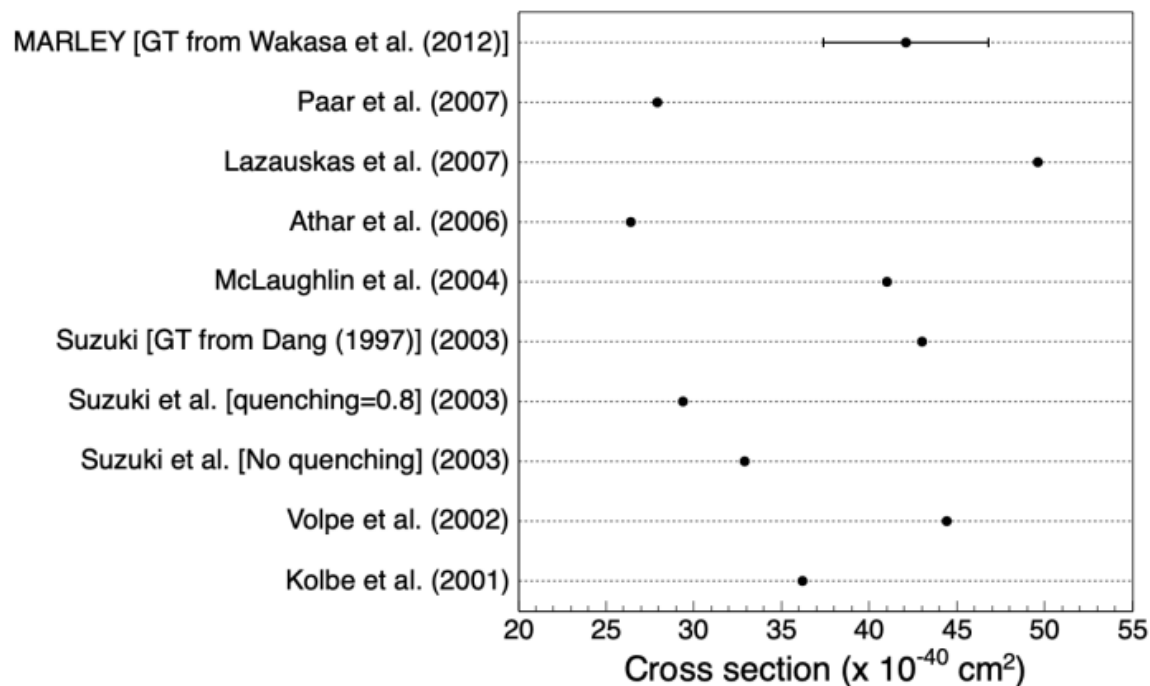
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Steriles

Coherent SNS

Thank you for your attention!

Inclusive ^{208}Pb Flux-Averaged DAR Cross Sections



^{127}I Flux-Averaged DAR Cross Sections

