

# Résumé des Rencontres de Moriond 2024

Electroweak Interactions & Unified Theories

Very High Energy Phenomena in the Universe

Cosmology

QCD and High Energy Interactions

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58th **Rencontres de Moriond** session devoted to **ELECTROWEAK INTERACTIONS AND UNIFIED THEORIES** March 24-31, 2024.

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La Thuile is a pleasant winter sport resort located in the Italian Alps, at 1450 m alt., about 120 km from Geneva. Conference founded in 1966 by Jean Tran Thanh Van.



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Subventionnée par l'Irfu et la DRF

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Neutrino mixing sum rules

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Katrin

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Probing the heavy neutrino hypothesis

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T2K

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NOvA

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Legend

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Pheno & cosmo implications of scotogenic 3-loop neutrino mass models

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SuperK

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Sterile neutrino overview

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CUORE

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Destabilizing Matter through a Long-Range Force

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Icecube

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Alpha-g

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Majorana mass generation, GWs and cosmological tensions

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Borexino

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Probing Reheating with Graviton Bremsstrahlung

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PANDA X DM and neutrino-less double beta decay

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Status of dark photons

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LZ DM

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Axions review

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ALPS

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Signals of boosted dark matter and neutrinos

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First results of axion search with LIDA

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21cm signal sensitivity to dark matter decay

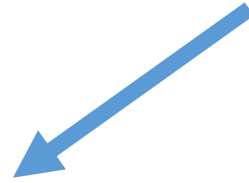
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Keplerian decline

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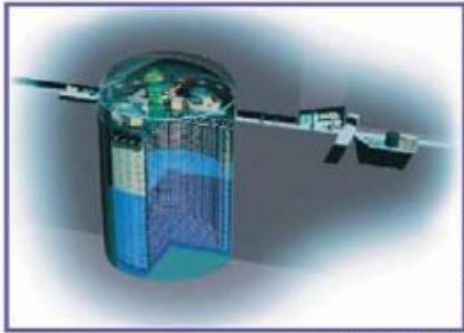
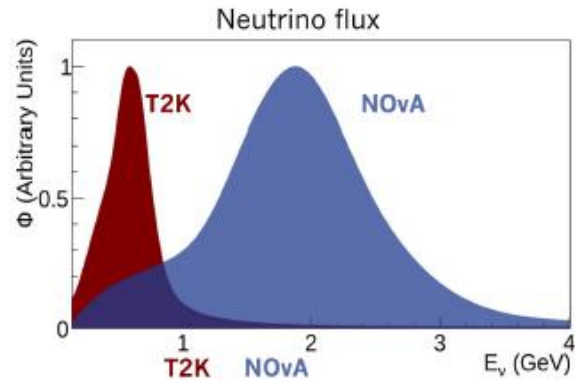
Weather for study, less for ski



*Neutrinos*

	T2K	NOvA
L (baseline)	295 km	810 km
Energy (beam peak)	0.6 GeV	2 GeV
Matter effect*	~ ±9%	~ ±19%
CP effect*	~ ±30%	~ ±25%

\*calculated at beam peak energy

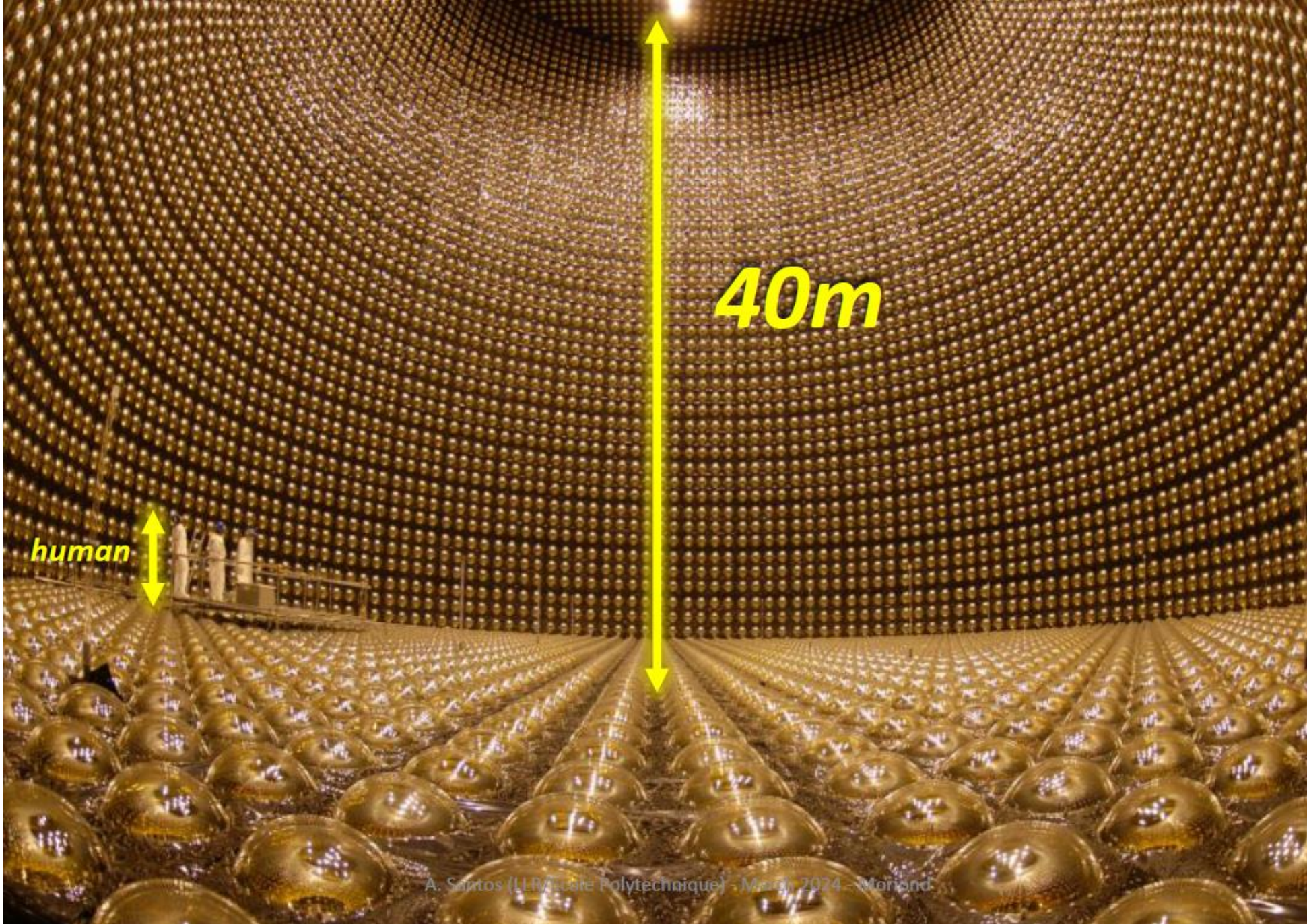


**Super-Kamiokande**  
(ICRR, Univ. Tokyo)



**J-PARC Main Ring**  
(KEK-JAEA, Tokai)





**40m**

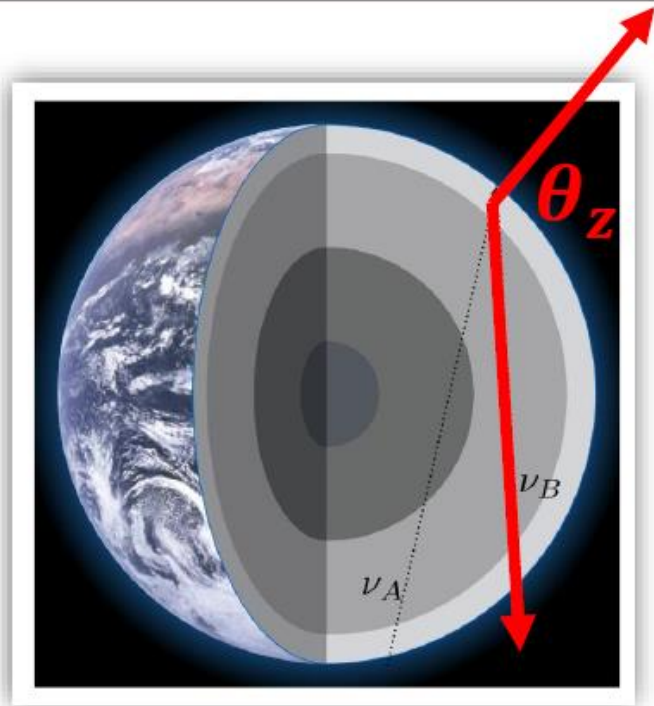
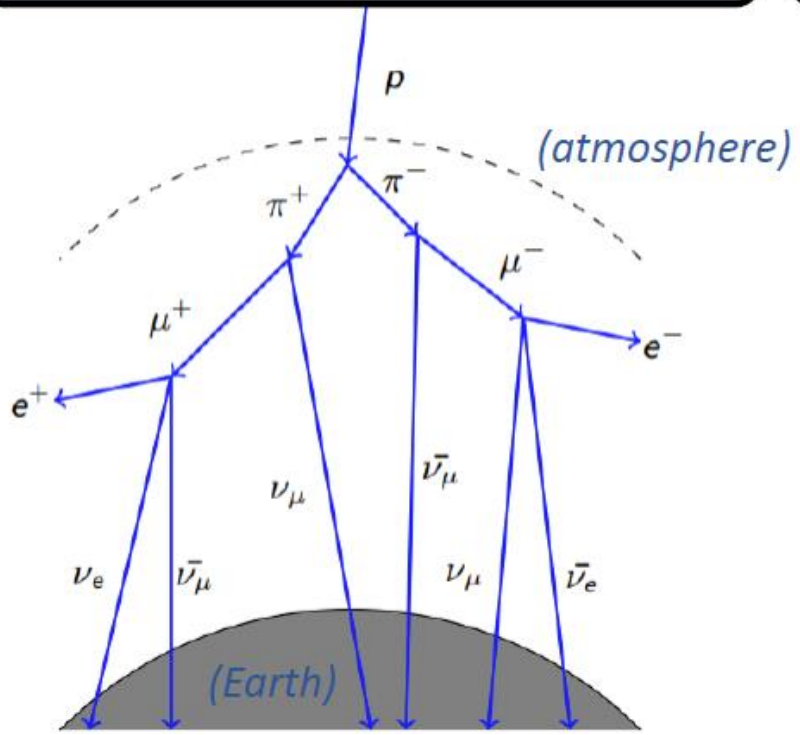
**human**

# Extracting physics from atmospheric neutrino oscillations

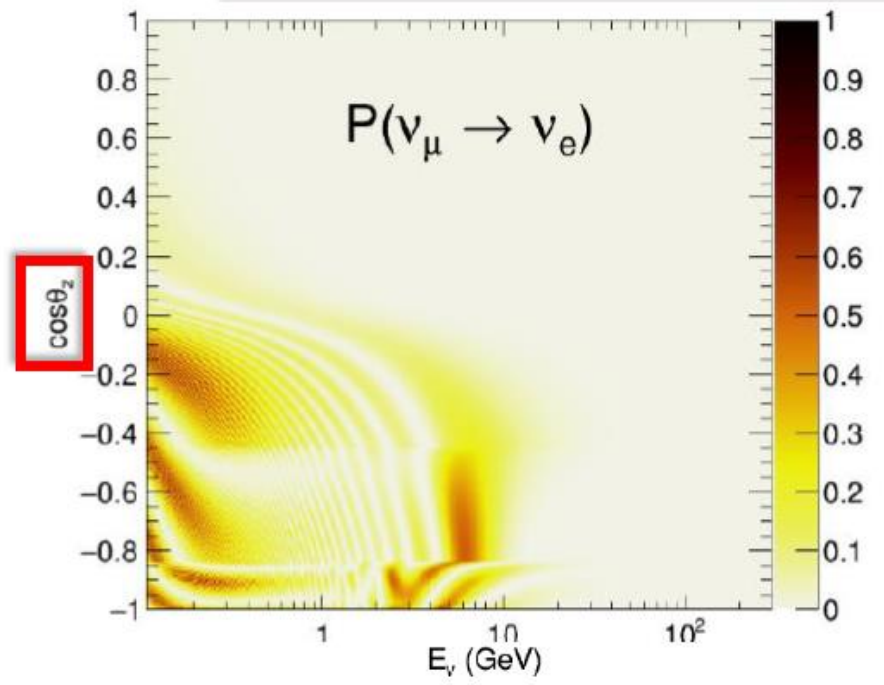
Neutrinos produced by cosmic rays!

Large range in energy and distances!

Rich landscape of flavor oscillations!



arXiv:2311.05105v1 (2023)



## Latest results from Super Kamiokande (Andrew Santos)

Around 11 000 PMTs in inner detector with an outer detector muon veto

Gadolinium-doped water since 2020 for easier neutron capture identification

Running since 1996 (phases I-VII)

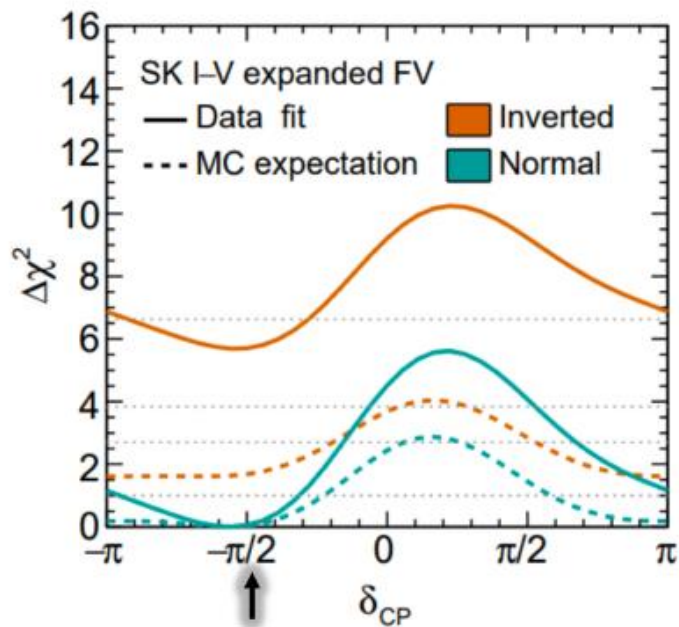
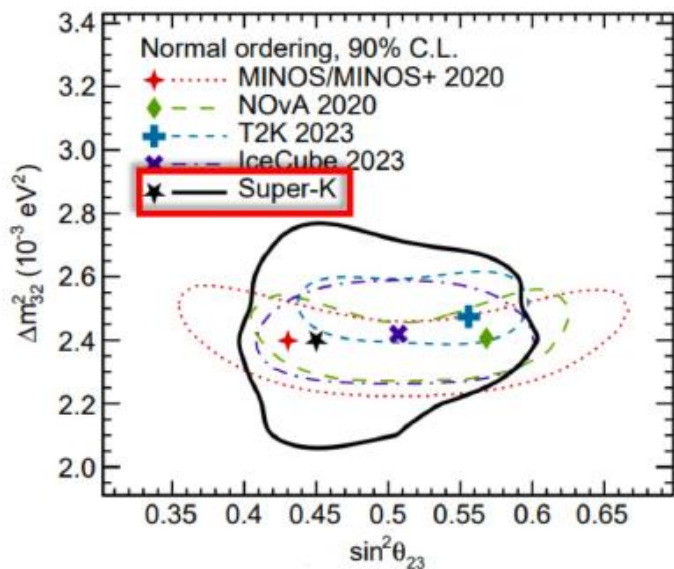
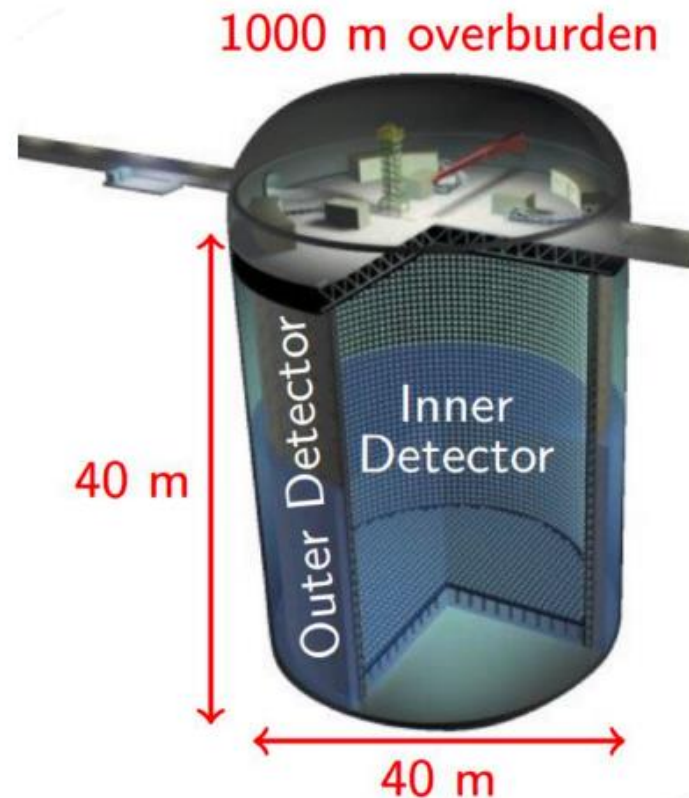
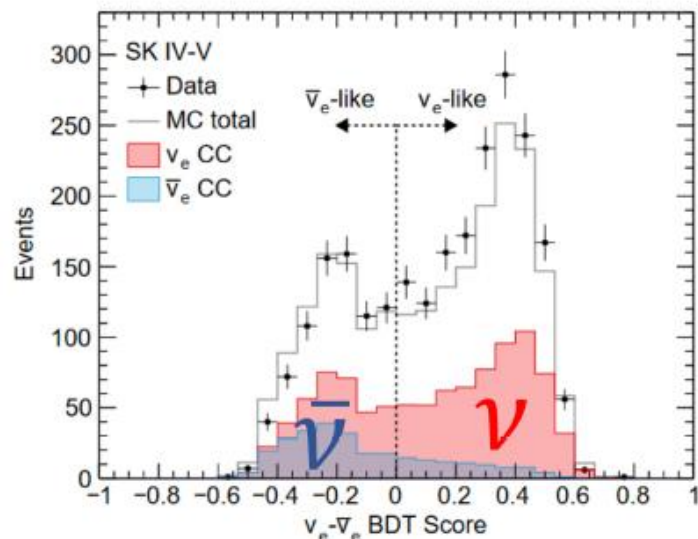
### Study of atm $\nu$ :

Fully-contained (expanded fiducial volume)

$e$ -like vs  $\mu$ -like (event topology)

New neutron tagging ( $\nu$  vs anti- $\nu$  interactions)

New BDT for enhanced  $\nu$  sample from anti- $\nu$



Competitive measurements (especially  $\theta_{23}$ ) with other experiments

Best-fit  $\delta_{CP}$  : preferring  $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$  is maximal CP violation

Favour normal hierarchy at around  $2\sigma$   
+ Combination with T2K



## Latest results from T2K experiment (Phill Lichfield)

In 2020 : end of run10

From 2021-2023 : upgrades (beam power, ND80)

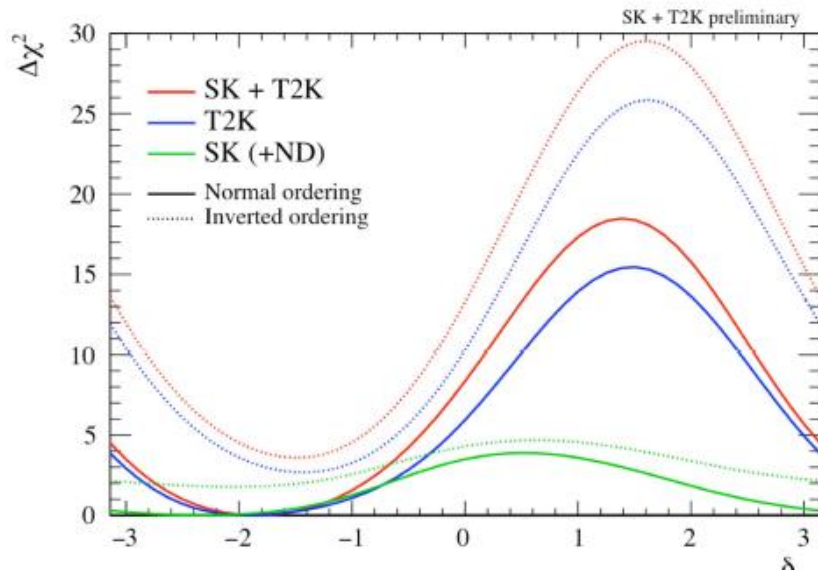
Feb 2024 : data taking

### T2K ( $\nu$ beam) and SK ( $\nu$ atm) combination : (December 2023)

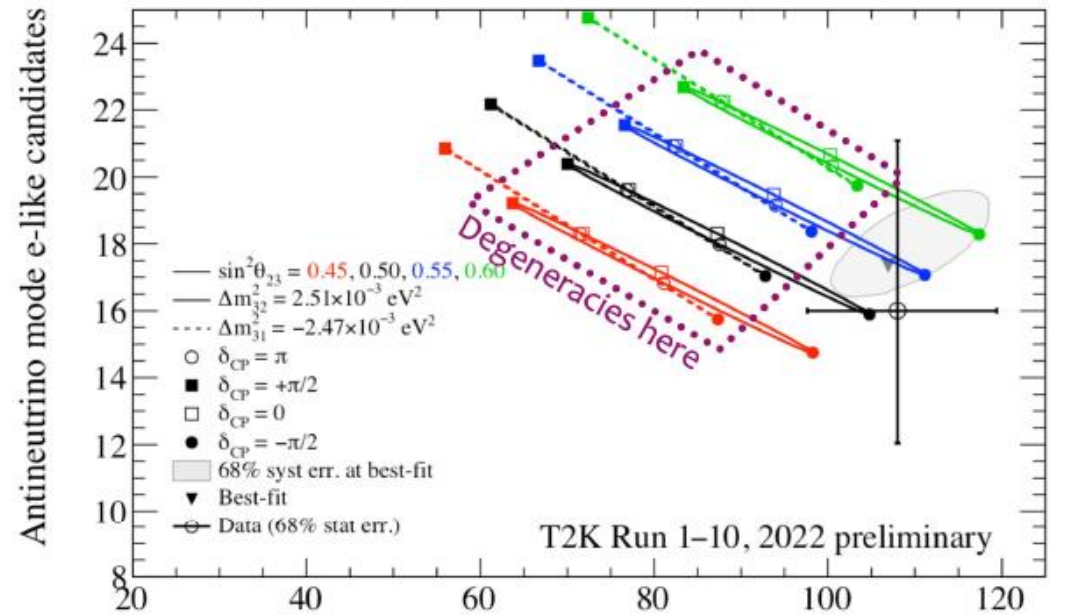
MSW resonance changes mixing for high energy neutrinos:  
 $\sim 13$  GeV (crust);  $\sim 2.5$  GeV (core)

### SK helps in breaking T2K's MO – $\delta_{CP}$ degeneracies

Construct full correlation for joint analysis



CP conservation  
disfavoured  
by 'about'  $2\sigma$



T2K Run 1-10, 2022 preliminary

T2K posterior  
probability

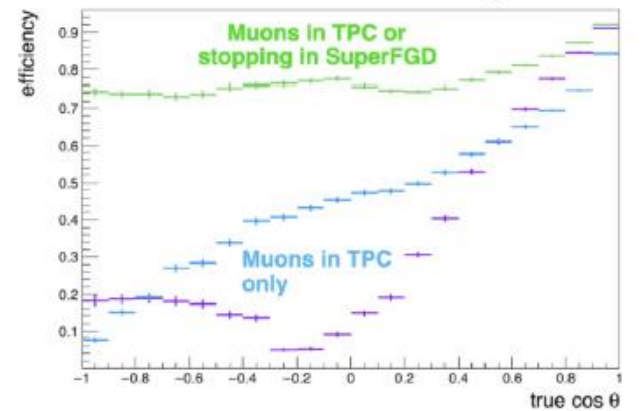
$$\Delta m_{32}^2 > 0 \quad 0.80$$

$$\Delta m^2 < 0 \quad 0.20$$

Neutrino mode e-like candidates

$$\text{Find } \delta_{CP} = -0.63^{+0.31}_{-0.22} \pi$$

**Upgrade ND80 :**  
replacement  
of the high-angle  
tracker

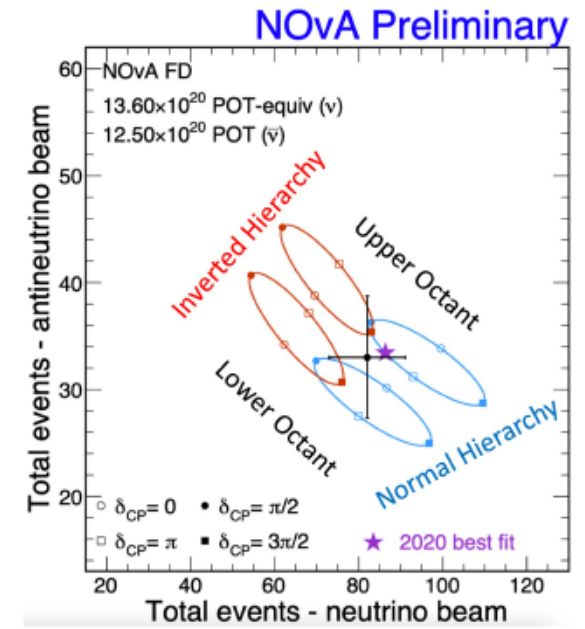
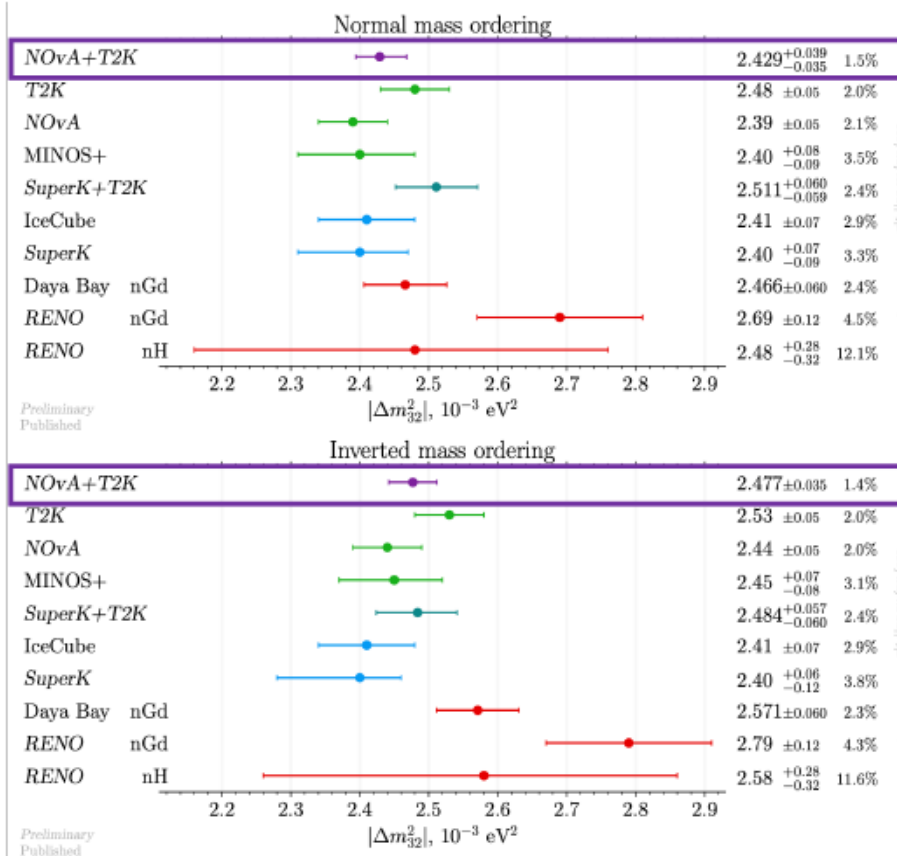


**Run up to 2028 (when HK starts)**

## NOvA and T2K joint results (Mayly Sanchez)

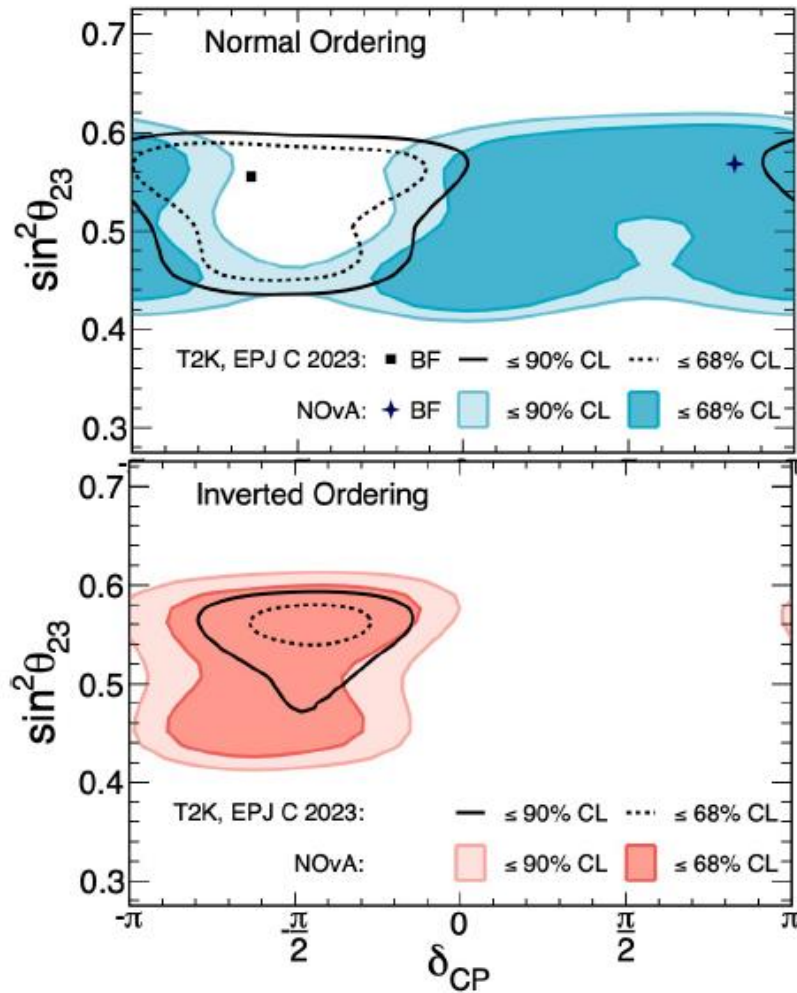
- Lot of work (cross-checks) to combine NOvA and T2K results
- The experiments have different  $\nu$  energy,  $\nu$  interactions, matter effect ...
- Different analyses approaches
- In particular : matter effects modify the energy spectrum depending on the NMO
- and  $\nu$  versus anti- $\nu$
- Effect is larger for longer baseline

Channel	NOvA	T2K
$\nu_e$	82	94 ( $\nu_e$ ) 14 ( $\nu_e 1\pi$ )
$\bar{\nu}_e$	33	16
$\nu_\mu$	211	318
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	105	137

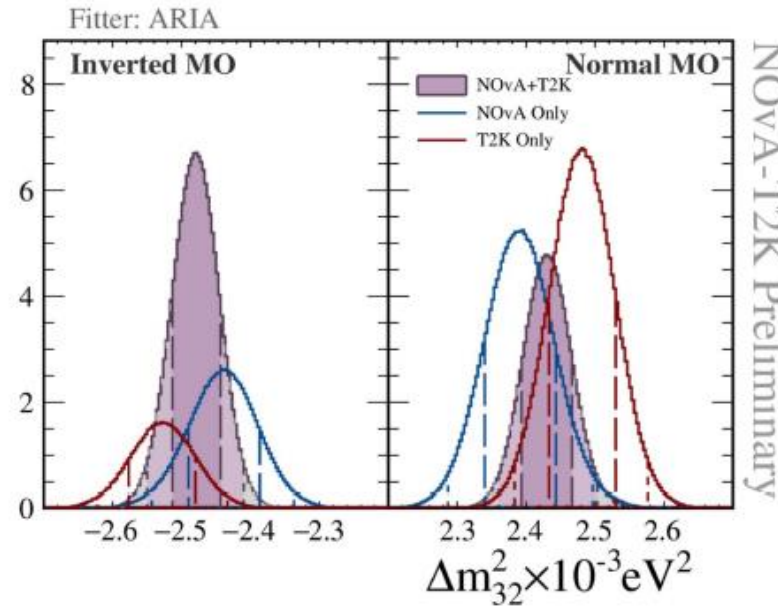


The joint analysis shows a strong constraint on  $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$

## N0vA and T2K joint results (Mayly Sanchez)



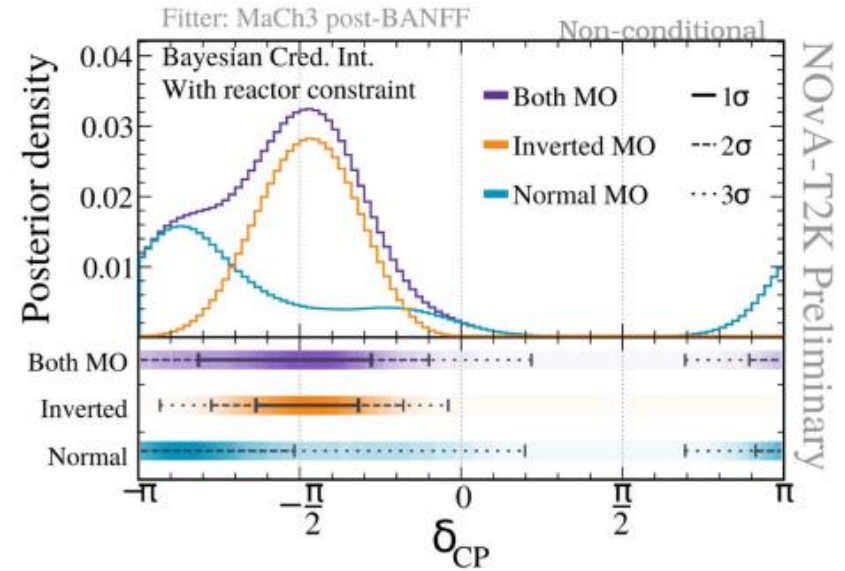
T2K measurements isolate the impact of CP violation whereas NOvA has more mass ordering sensitivity



NOvA-T2K Preliminary

Including the  $\Delta m^2_{32}$  constraint from the Daya Bay experiment reverses the preference back to NO

The  $\nu$  mass ordering remains inconclusive



NOvA-T2K Preliminary

$\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$  lies outside  $3\sigma$  interval for both mass orderings

CP conserving values for the IO fall outside the  $3\sigma$  range

→ Need more data

# Maybe some installation pics?

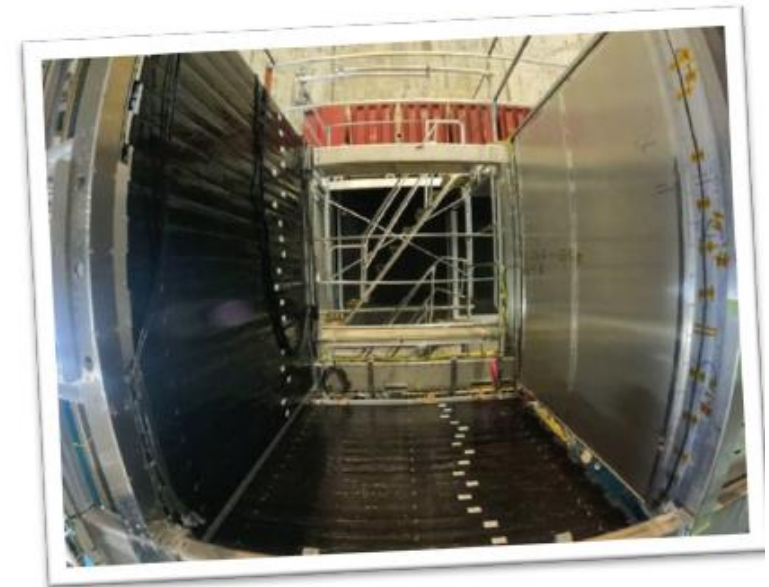
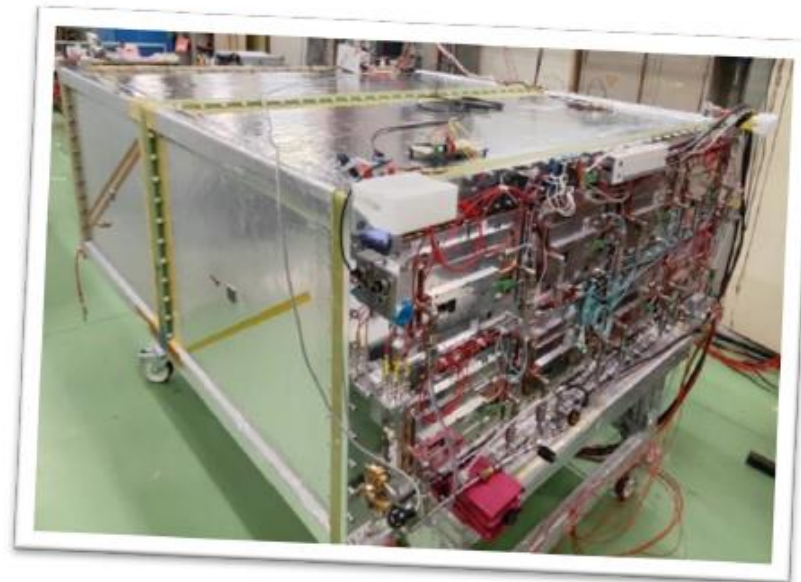
- Most of upgrade now installed.
- Top HA-TPC taking cosmics at CERN



◀ S-FGD during assembly, with guide fibre

▼ Installing ToF into ND280

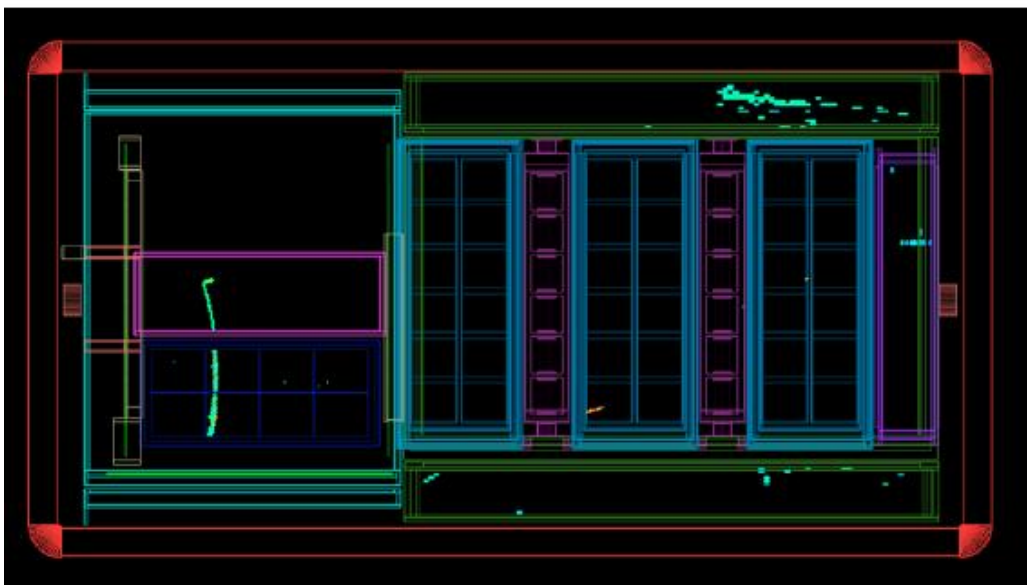
▼ Checkout of Bottom HA-TPC



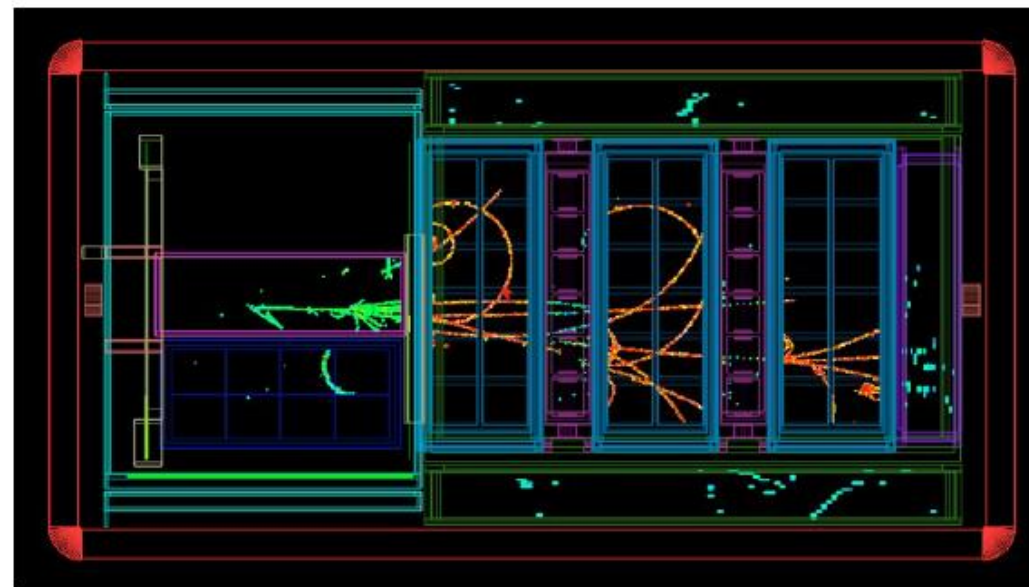
# Event displays (December 2023)

[Looks like a...] **very high angle** muon, with forward-going **recoil proton**

- Would struggle to reconstruct this in the 'classic' tracker



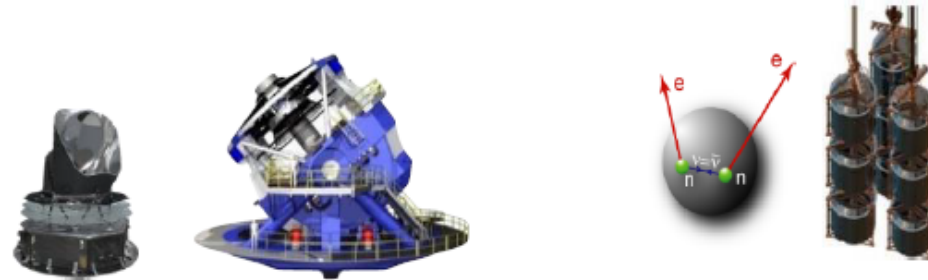
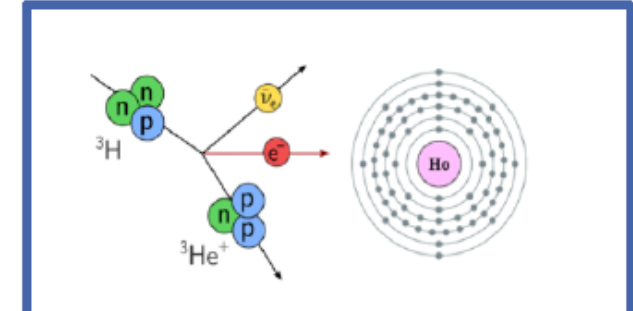
Phill Litchfield



Very busy event showing ND280 'classic' and upgrade detectors together

- Notice **higher resolution** of SuperFGD compared to original FGDs

## Access to the absolute neutrino mass scale

**$\beta$ -decay & electron capture**

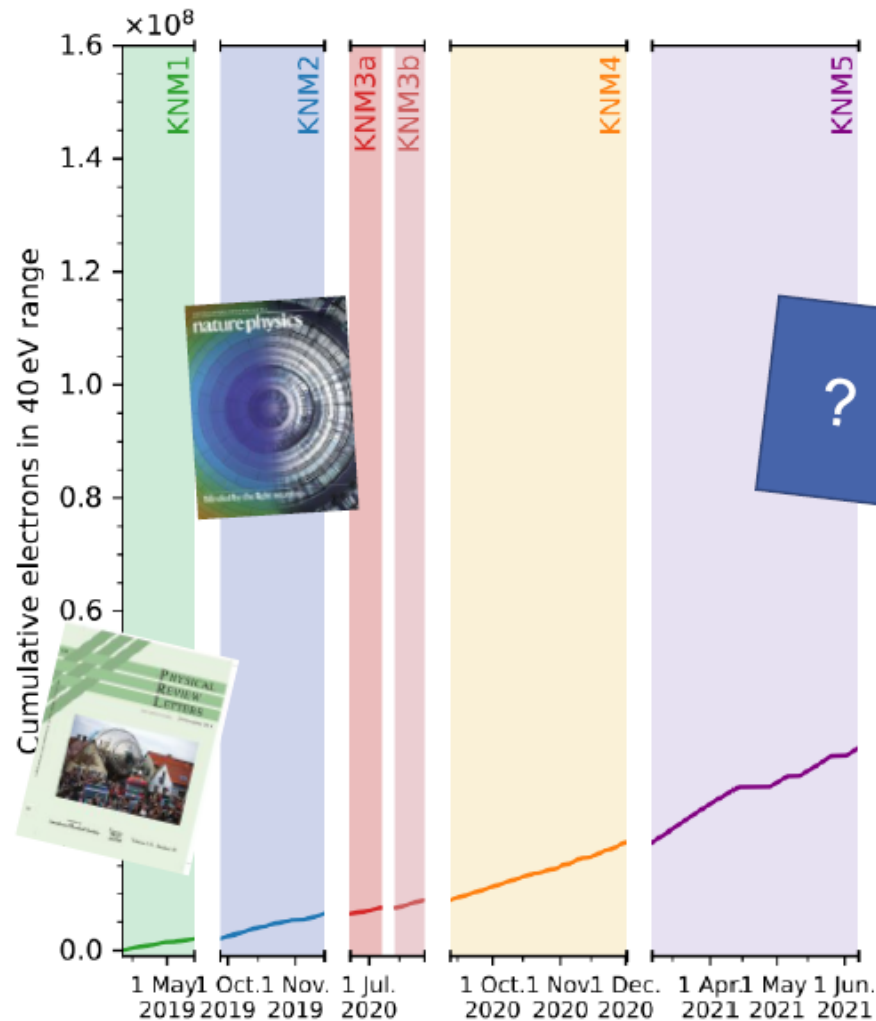
$m_{\beta}^2 = \sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2$

**0.8 eV**

**Direct, only kinematics; no cancellations in incoherent sum**

	Cosmology	Search for $0\nu\beta\beta$
<b>Observable</b>	$M_{\nu} = \sum_i m_i$	$m_{\beta\beta}^2 =  \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i ^2$
<b>Present upper limit</b>	0.12 eV*	0.18 eV*
<b>Model dependence</b>	Multi-parameter cosmological model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Majorana <math>\nu</math></li> <li>- nuclear matrix elements, <math>g_A</math></li> </ul>

# Next analysis release



- Combined analysis of first five campaigns (KNM1-5)
  - Currently in final preparation
  - Data release in summer
  
- Sensitivity projection:
 
$$m_\nu < 0.5 \text{ eV (90\% C.L.)}$$

## Searching for $0\nu\beta\beta$ in the Cuore experiment

(Irene Nutini) - New results

**CUORE** : Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events

Cryogenic experiment at tonne-scale,

utilising oxide of tellurium  $\text{TeO}_2$  thermal detectors operated at  $\sim 10$  mK

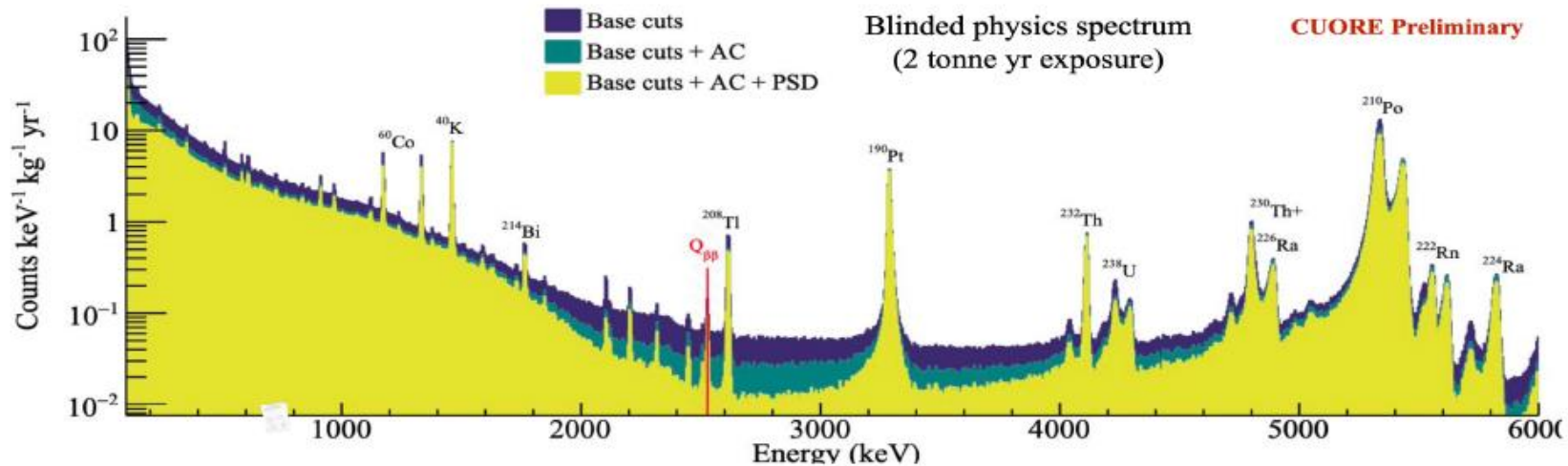
Located at Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso

Challenges :

- low temperature and low vibrations over time for about 1000 detectors
- low background

Results today based on data taken from 2017-2023, for 2039 kg.yr  $\text{TeO}_2$

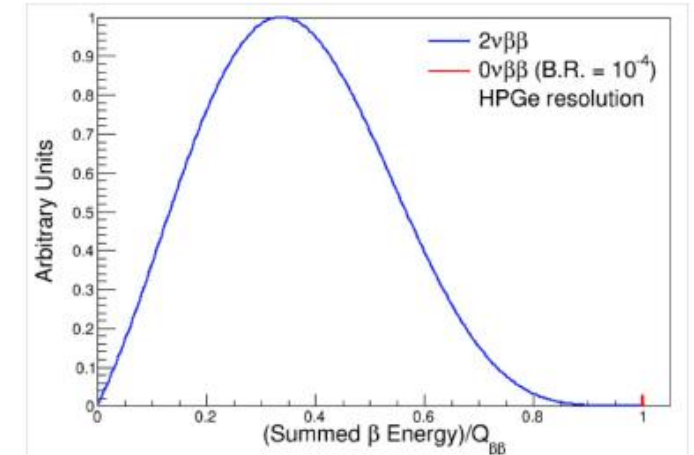
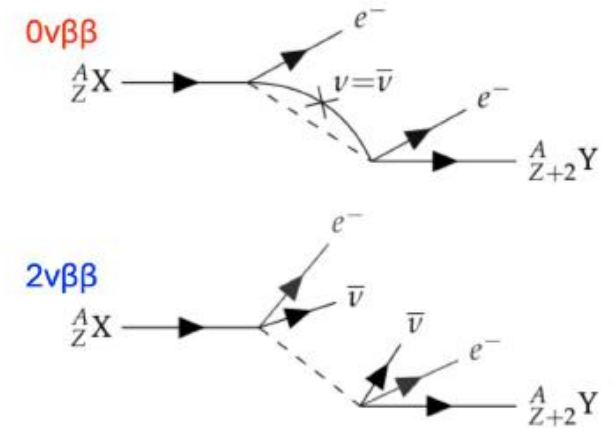
Reference  $^{208}\text{Tl}$  gamma peak at 2615 keV from calibration data



Beyond Standard Model process ( $\Delta L = 2$ )

$$(A, Z) \longrightarrow (A, Z + 2) + 2e^-$$

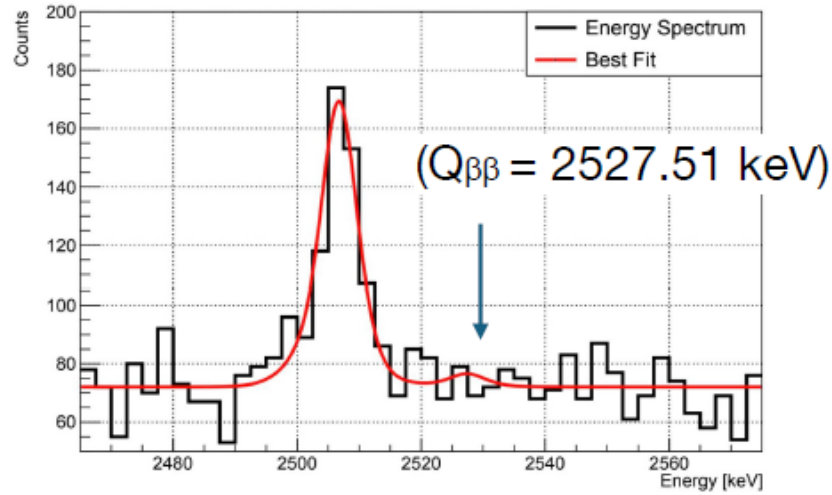
Not yet observed:  $T^{1/2}_{0\nu\beta\beta} > 10^{22-26}$  yr



( $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2527.51$  keV)

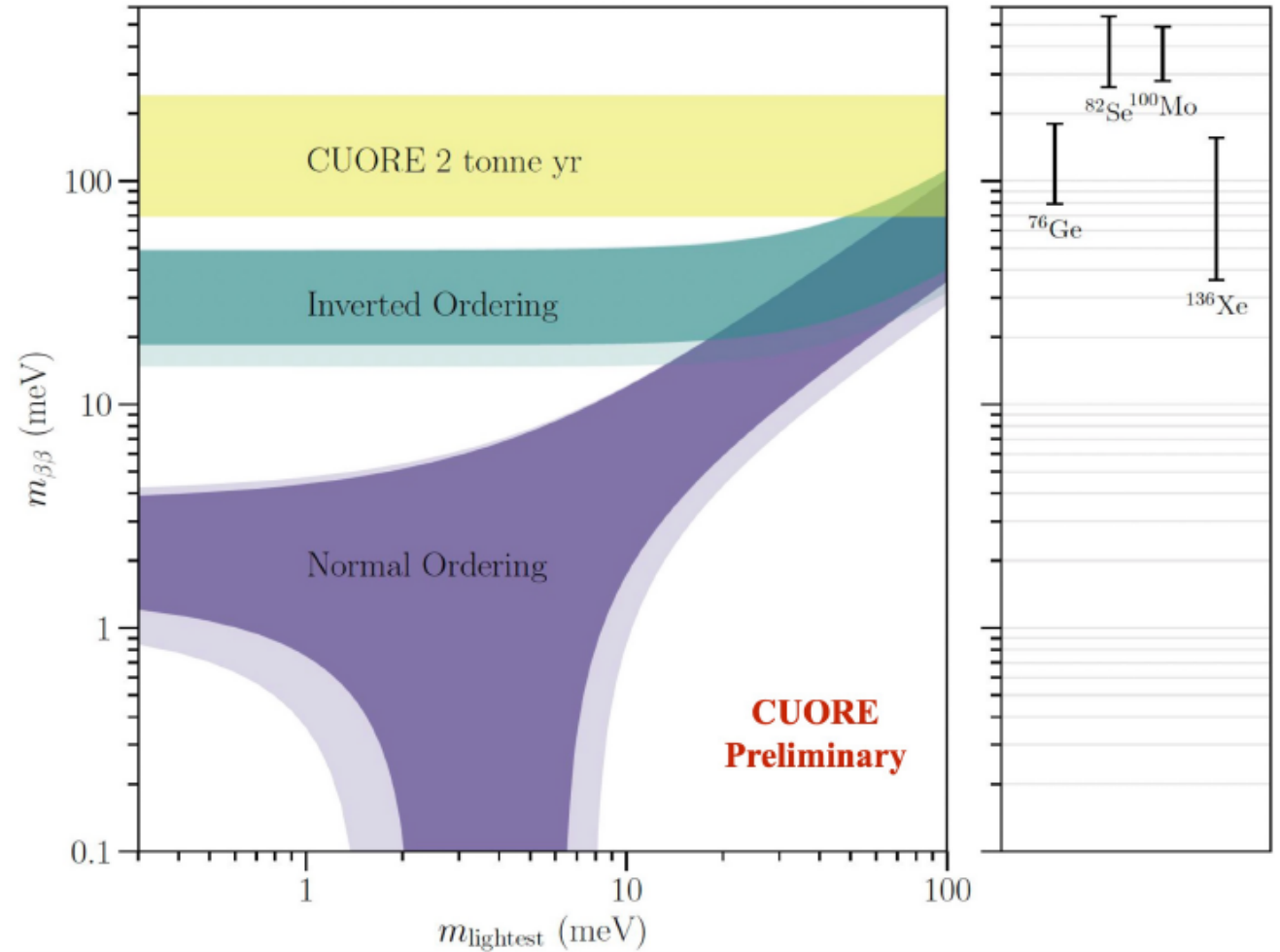


# Searching for $0\nu\beta\beta$ in the Cuore experiment (Irene Nutini)

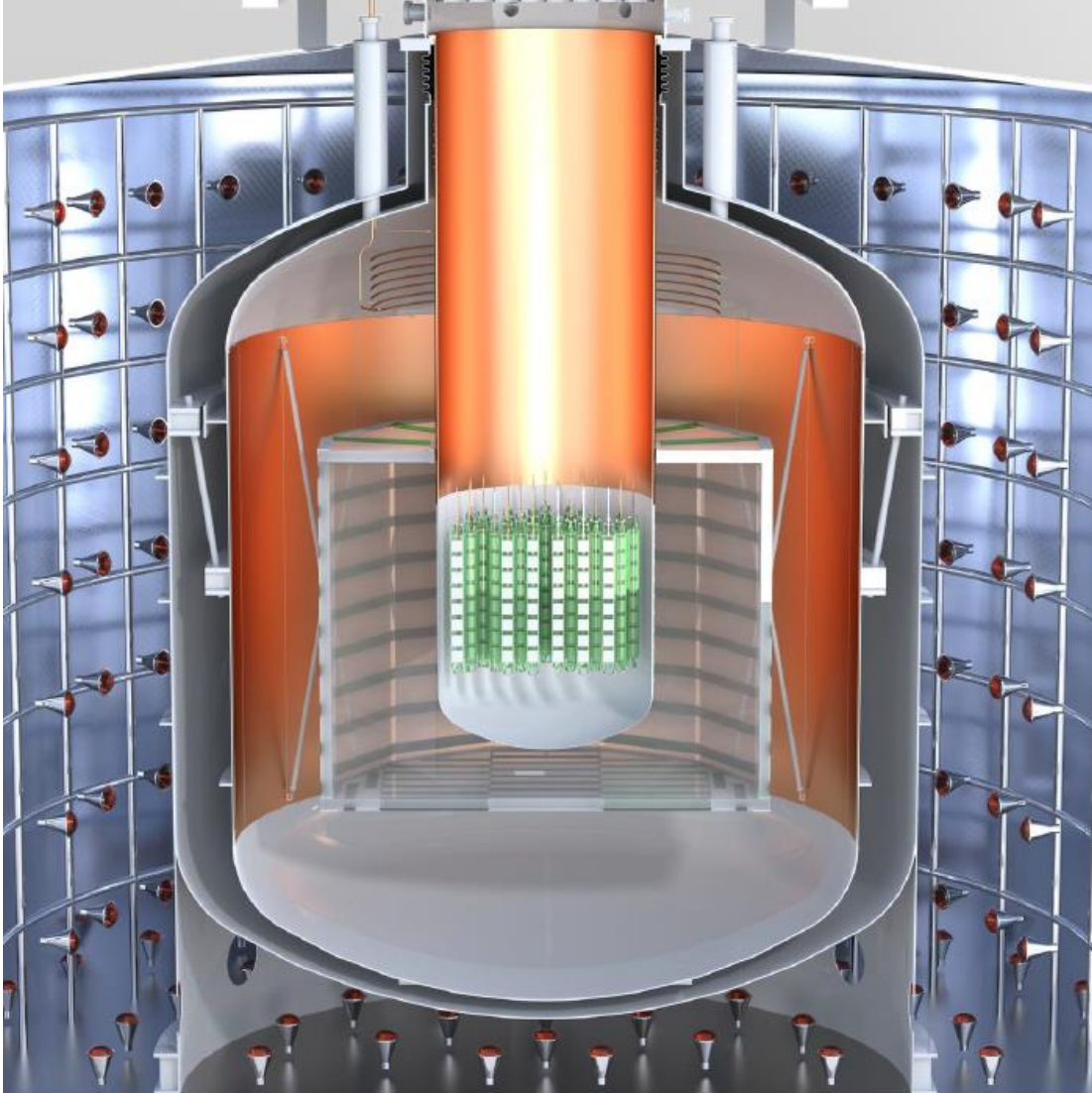


$T_{0\nu}^{1/2} (^{130}\text{Te}) > 3.8 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$   
(90% C.I. including syst.)  
**(new most stringent limit for  $^{130}\text{Te}$ )**

Limit on the effective Majorana mass, assuming light Majorana neutrino-exchange:  
 $m_{\beta\beta} < 70\text{-}240 \text{ meV}$



# LEGEND 200 (then 1000) (CJ. Burton)



- Initial phase of the project
- Currently operational at LNGS in Italy with  $\sim 140$  kg of Ge detectors enriched in  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ 
  - Will have 200 kg operational - upgrade planned for later this year
- Multiple detector systems allow event classification/background rejection

- Next-generation  $0\nu\beta\beta$  detection system
- Location TBD
- Expected to have 1000 kg of detectors operational in the final configuration
- Widespread improvements and lessons learned from LEGEND-200 aim to reduce background  $\times 20$  compared to LEGEND-200

For  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ ,  $T_{1/2} > 10^{28}$  for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  corresponds to a neutrino effective mass measurement of  $m_{\text{eff}} \approx 18$  meV

For LEGEND-200's target background of  $2 \times 10^{-4}$ , dataset is compatible (0.48 expected events, 1 observed)

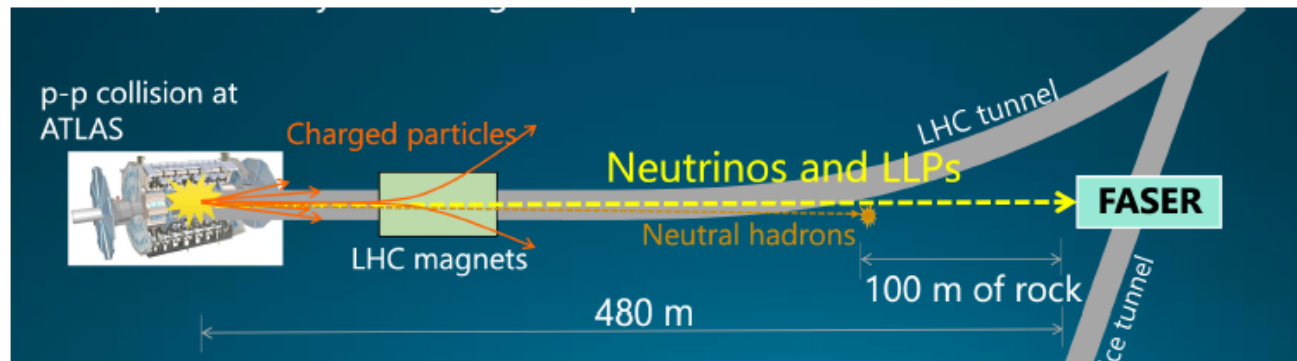
## Faser experiment (Akitaka Ariga) – New results

### Forward search experiment at the LHC

Targets long-lived BSM particles (e.g.  $A'$ , ALPs) and SM  $\nu$

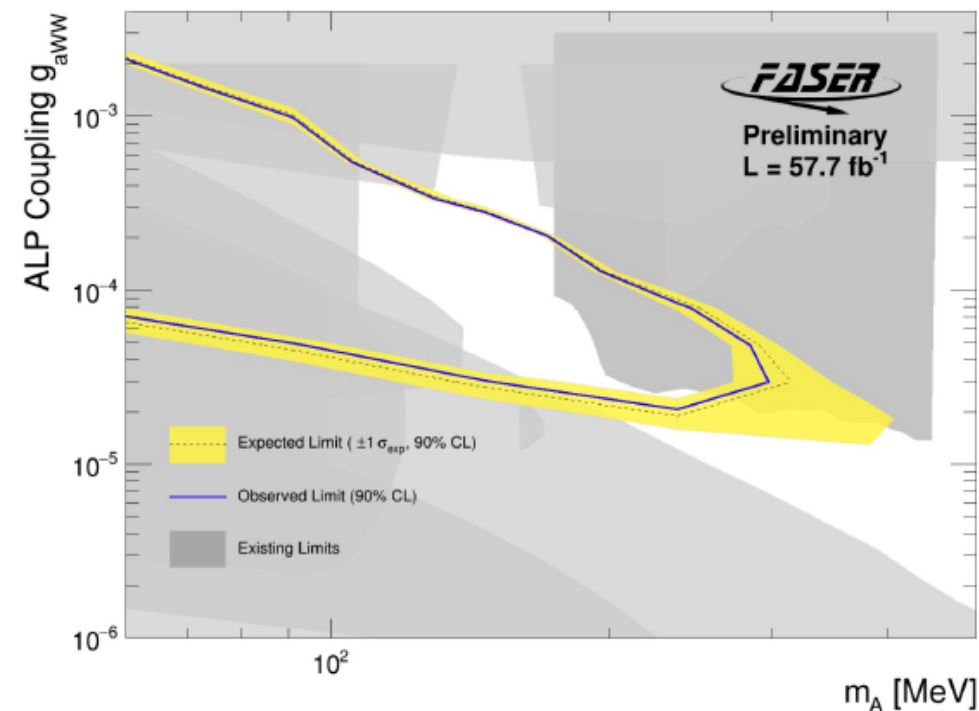
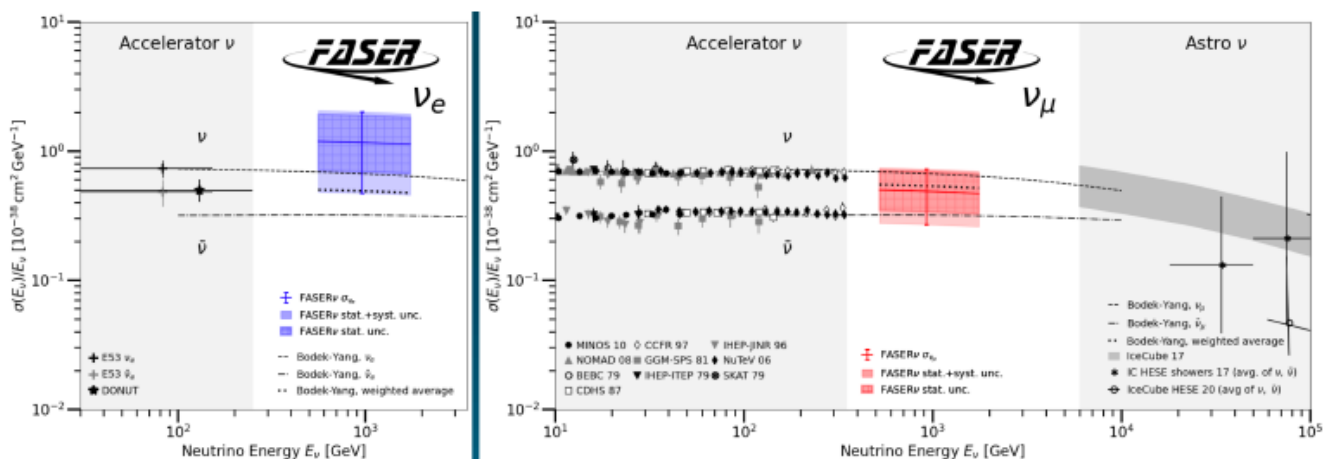
Located 480 m downstream of ATLAS interaction point

LHC-FASER is taking data in LHC Run 3,  $\sim 70 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  collected, Run4 is approved



- Neutrino studies : Emulsion/tungsten neutrino detector

Measure neutrino cross sections at unexplored TeV energies, constrain hadron production at  $pp$  collisions



- Axion-like Particles (ALPs) search results

Signal:  $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  appearing from ‘nothing’ with  $\sim \text{TeV}$  of energy

- Have also performed a dark photon search

# Sterile neutrinos

(Mikhail Danilov)

There are several experimental indications of a new neutrino with  $\Delta m^2 \sim 1 \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $\sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sim 0.1$ , Must be Sterile since  $\Gamma_z \rightarrow N_\nu = 3$

1. LSND, MiniBoone:  $\nu_e (\bar{\nu}_e)$  appearance in  $\nu_\mu (\bar{\nu}_\mu)$  beams: **Signif.  $> 6\sigma$**   
Not confirmed by MicroBoone [arXiv:2110.14054v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.14054v2) but not excluded
2. SAGE and GALEX  $\nu_e$  deficit (GA) confirmed by BEST: **Signif.  $> 5\sigma$**   
[arXiv: 2109.11482](https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.11482), [arXiv: 2201.07364](https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.07364), PRL 128,232501
- 3 Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  deficit (RAA): **Signif.  $\sim 3\sigma$**   
Explained by KI ([arXiv:2103.01684](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.01684)), DayaBay, RENO experiments and new reactor neutrino flux models?  
Estienne et al [arXiv:1904.09358](https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.09358), Letourneau et al, [arXiv:2205.14954](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.14954), Perisse et al (BESTIOLE) [arXiv:2304.14992v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.14992v2)
4. Neutrino-4 claim of sterile neutrino observation  
 $\Delta m^2 = 7.3 \pm 1.17 \text{ eV}^2$  and  $\sin^2 2\theta = 0.36 \pm 0.12$  **Signif.  $= 2.7\sigma$**   
Phys.Rev.D 104, 032003 (2021)

These are statistically strongest laboratory indications of physics BSM!

3+1  $\nu$  model is usually used in analysis with extended 4x4 PMNS matrix  $U_{ij}$

$$P_{ee} \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sin^2(\Delta m_{14}^2 L/4E) \quad \text{with } \sin^2 2\theta_{ee} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 (1 - |U_{e4}|^2)$$

$$P_{\mu\mu} \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} \sin^2(\Delta m_{14}^2 L/4E) \quad \text{with } \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} = 4|U_{\mu 4}|^2 (1 - |U_{\mu 4}|^2)$$

$$P_{\mu e} \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} \sin^2(\Delta m_{14}^2 L/4E) \sim 4|U_{e4}|^2 |U_{\mu 4}|^2 \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} / 4 \quad 2$$

# Conclusions

(Mikhail Danilov)

- LSND and MiniBooNE anomalies are disfavored by MicroBooNE
- $\nu_s$  explanation of LEE is still possible but contradicts disapp. experiments
- MicroBooNE(NuMI), SBNP and JSNS<sup>2</sup> will soon clarify the situation
- GA is in serious tension with many experiments but agrees with Neutrino-4
- Many ideas of possible conventional or BSM explanation but **not convincing**
- $\nu_s$  explanation of GA is still marginally possible
- BEST with <sup>65</sup>Zn source - smoking gun test for many explanations
- RAA is probably explained by smaller <sup>235</sup>U contribution preferred by new experiments (with exception of DANSS) and new Reactor flux models
- Spectral analysis still indicates  $\nu_s$  with a small  $\sin^2 2\theta_{ee}$  at  $\sim 3\sigma$
- Neutrino-4 claim of  $\nu_s$  observation is in tension with many results but not excluded
- Upgraded VSBL reactor experiments will clarify the situation
- Upgraded Neutrino-4+ is already taking data, Neutrino-4M will start in 2024

Cosmological constraints were not discussed but models exist which remove them

See e.g. Davoudiasl, Denton arXiv:2301.09651

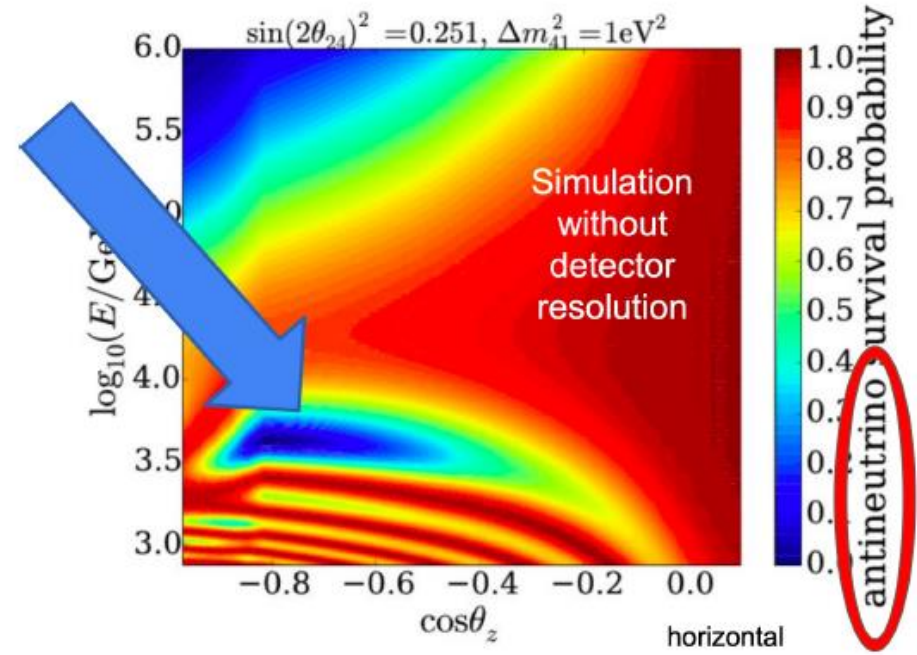
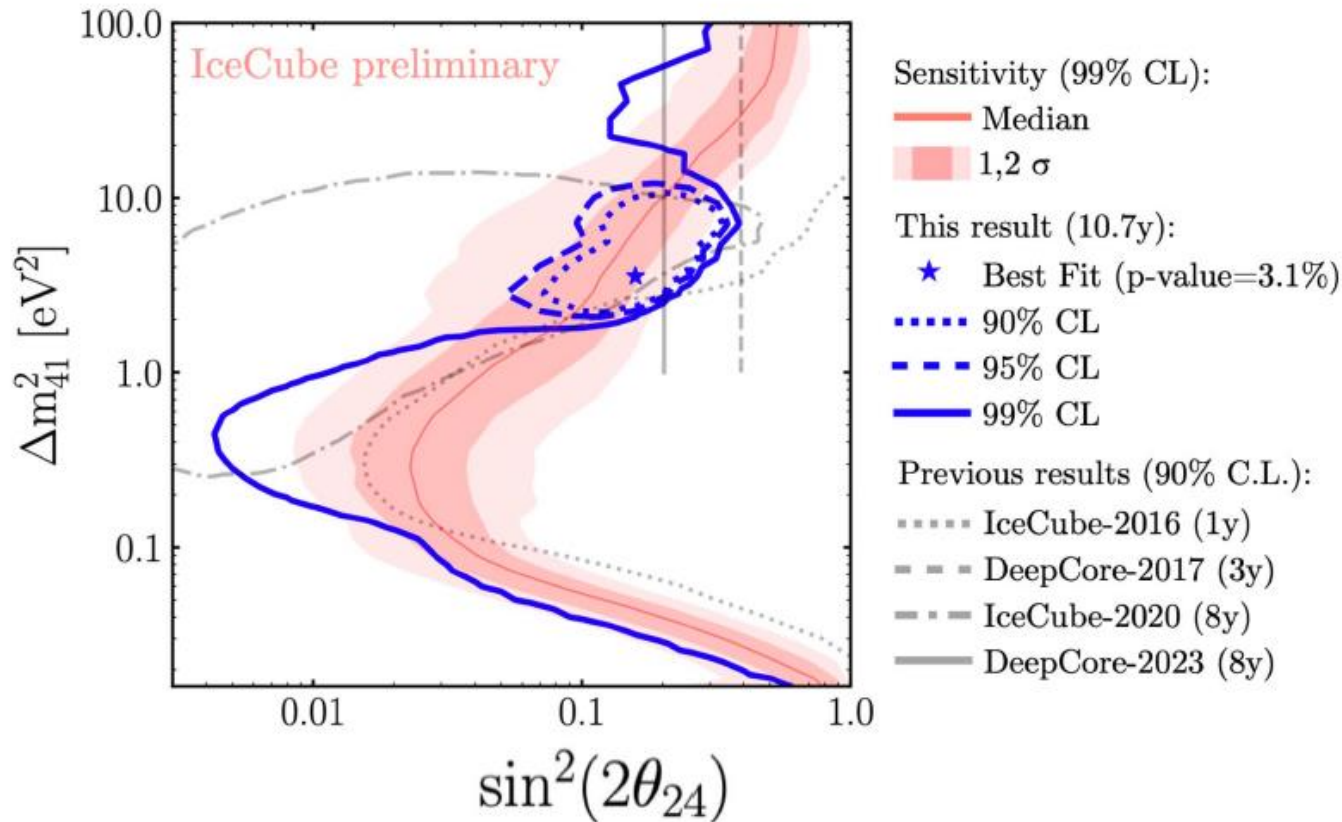
Explains Ga, LSND, MiniBooNE, DM

Experimental evidence for  $\nu_s$  is fading away but not excluded

## Search for New Physics in IceCube (John Hardin)

### Search for sterile neutrino :

The sterile portion does not interact in the earth.  
 Different matter potential for sterile and non-sterile neutrinos  
 Produces a resonant term.  
 → Matter effect : large disappearance of upgoing anti- $\nu$



- $\Delta m^2 = 3.5\text{eV}^2$
- $\sin^2(2\theta_{24}) = 0.16$

The p-value for the null hypothesis of sterile neutrinos in the muon disappearance channel is 3.1%  
 Does not rise to evidence



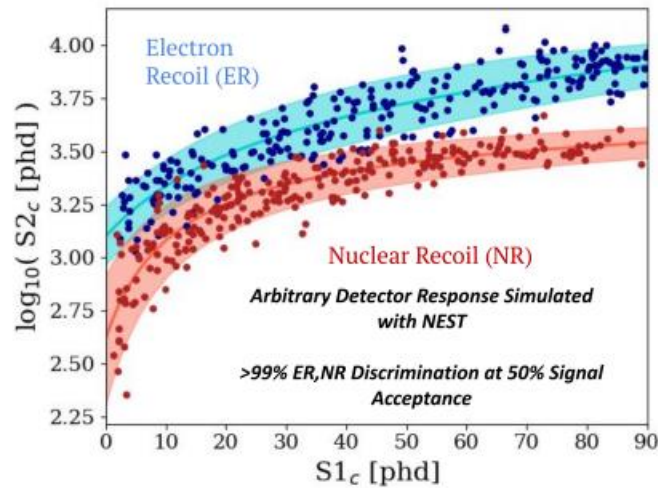
*Dark matter searches*

**Results from LUX-ZEPLIN (Greg Rischbieter)**

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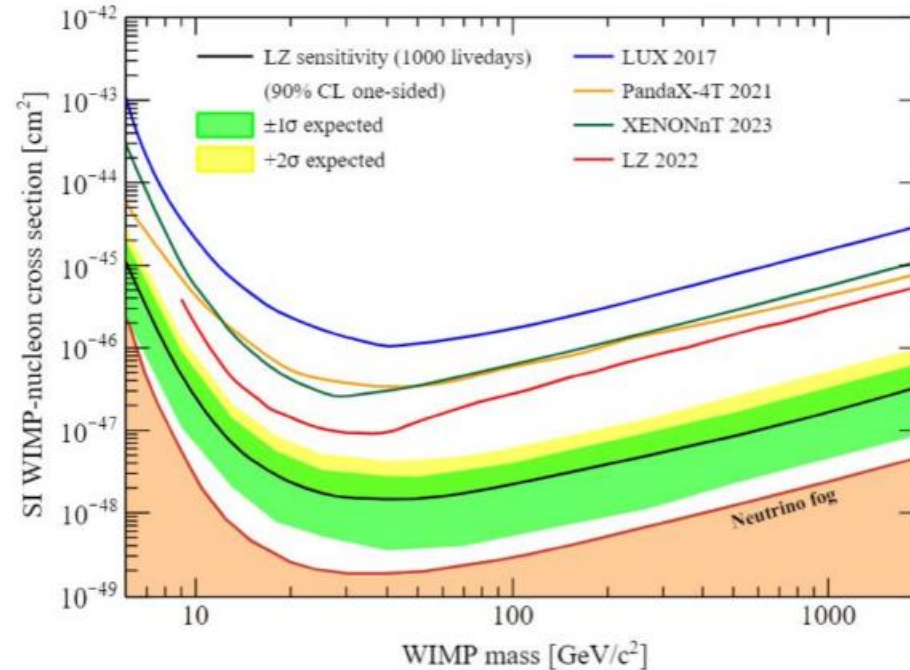
**Results from PANDAX (Ning Zhou)**

WIMP direct detection with a Dual Phase TPC - Measures the Scintillation (S1) and Ionization (S2) response  
 Precise E measurement – 3D position reconstruction – Discrimination btw nuclear recoil and electron recoil signals  
 Xenon target



-Data collected between Dec. 2021-May 2022  
 -5.5 ± 0.2 tonnes fiducial volume  
 Reach : 9.2x10<sup>-48</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>

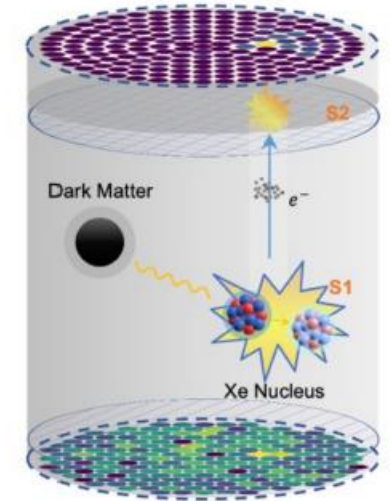
Recap :  
 limits on DM-nucleon scattering (SI) :



**New results: searches beyond Spin-independent WIMPs:**

Residual weak EM properties: coupling with photons (millicharged, charge radius, ... UV complete models

Non-Relativistic Effective Field Theory

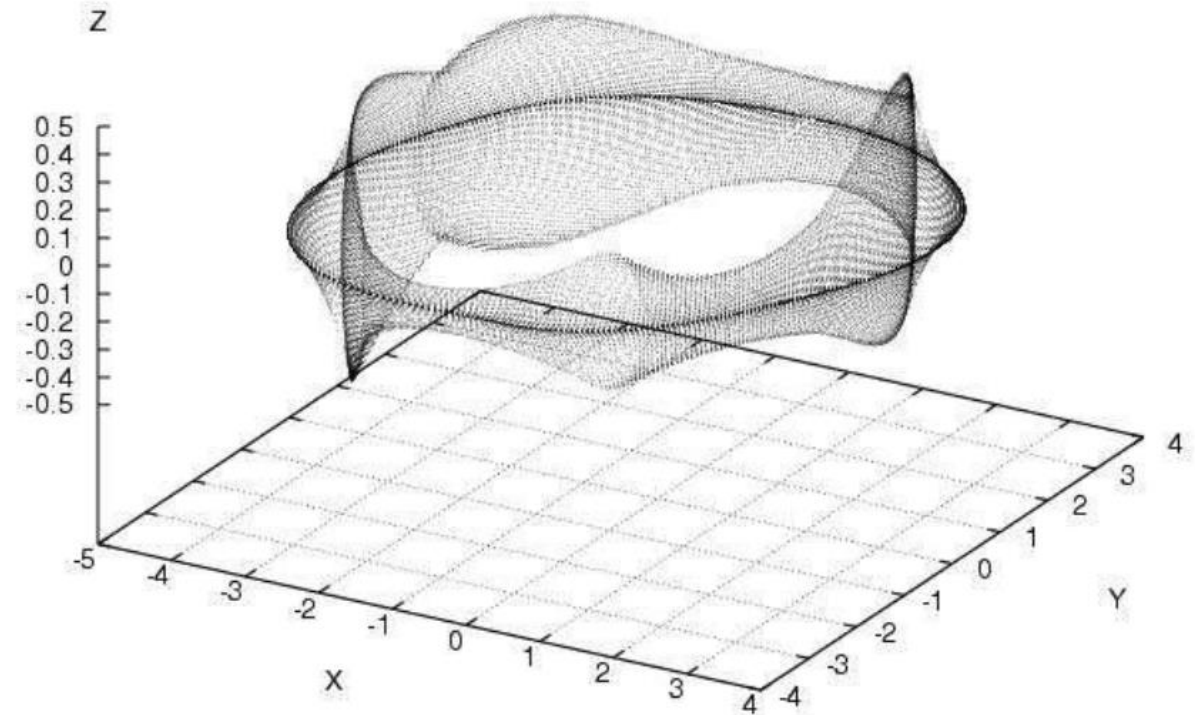


-Commissioning started from Nov/2020 (95 days) –  
 -Sensitive volume: 3.7 tonnes Xenon  
 Reach : 3.8x10<sup>-47</sup>cm<sup>2</sup>





- Axions solve the strong CP problem
- A population of cold axions is naturally produced in the early universe which may be the dark matter today
- Axion dark matter is detectable
- Axion dark matter has distinctive properties in large scale structure formation





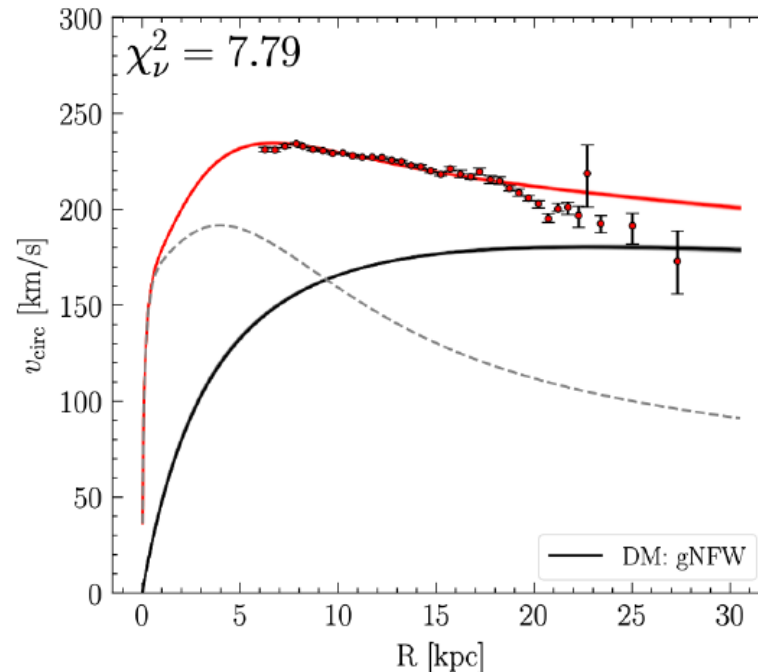
58th Rencontres de Montrions 2024, EW, 30 March 2024

# Detection of the Keplerian decline in the Milky Way rotation curve

## $\Lambda$ CDM

In the MW,  $M_{\text{Baryon}} \sim 0.6 \times 10^{11} M_{\odot}$  and  $M_{\text{Dyn}} \sim 2.1 \times 10^{11} M_{\odot}$ , the mass ratio of DM to the baryon is  $\sim 2 - 2.5$ , which is smaller than the universal estimate of  $\sim 6$  (Planck Collaboration et al. 2020).

- generalised NFW profile is also unlikely (Ou et al. 2023, Fig. 7)



# Selected theory talks:

Neutrino mixing sum rules **Steven King**

Katrin

Probing the heavy neutrino hypothesis

T2K

NOvA

Legend

Pheno & cosmo implications of scotogenic 3-loop neutrino mass models

SuperK

Sterile neutrino overview

**17:00**

CUORE

FASER

Destabilizing Matter through a Long-Range Force

Icecube

Alpha-g

**Téssio de Melo**

**Pasquale di Bari**

Majorana mass generation, GWs and cosmological tensions

Borexino

Probing Reheating with Graviton Bremsstrahlung

PANDA X DM and neutrino-less double beta decay

Status of dark photons **Jim Cline**

LZ DM

**17:00**

Axions review **Pierre Sikivie**

ALPS

Signals of boosted dark matter and neutrinos

First results of axion search with LIDA

21cm signal sensitivity to dark matter decay

Keplerian decline

*Merci de votre attention*

*Bonus slides*



# Axions and ALPs

## Pseudoscalar

In addition to the derivative couplings to standard model matter and most importantly in the context of light shining through a wall matters, axions and ALPs can also have anomalous couplings to electromagnetic fields (photons), in analogy to Equation (3),

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g}{4} \phi F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = -g \phi E \cdot B, \quad (6)$$

LIPSS used 1 m long, 1.77 T dipole magnets. They focused their search on scalar ALPs (the laser polarisation was perpendicular to the direction of the magnetic field)

## Scalar

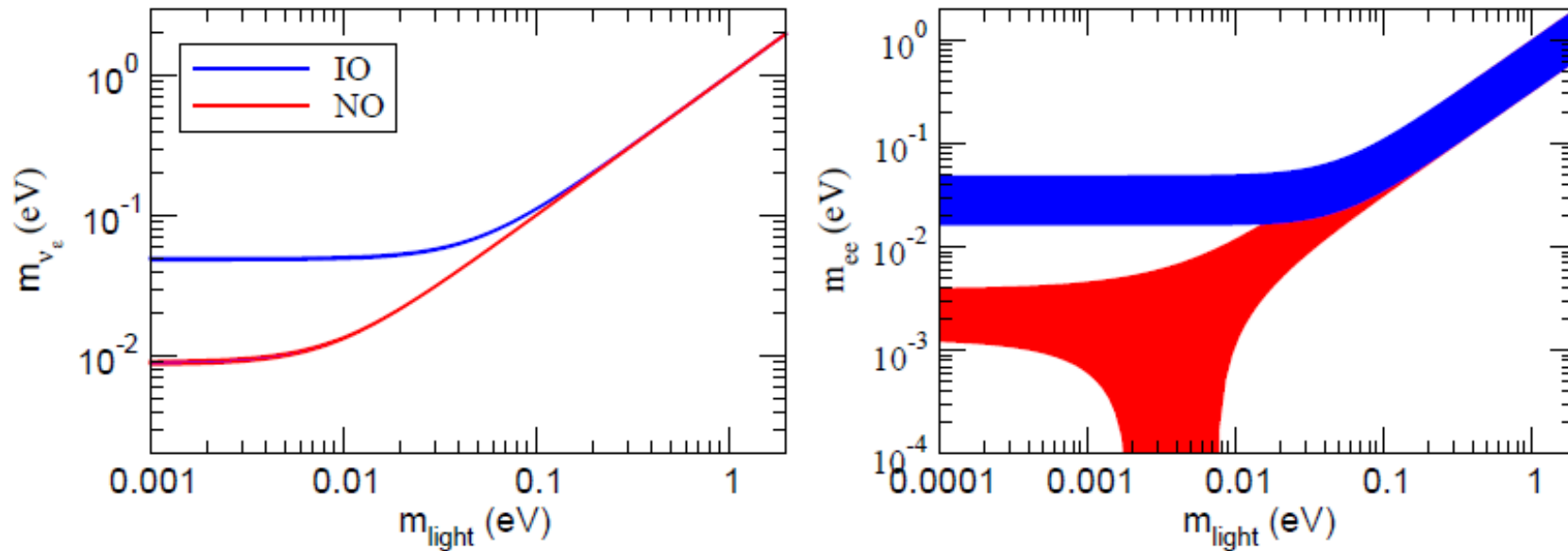
The phenomenology arising from the coupling in Equation (6) stays very much unchanged also for a second type of two photon coupling,

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g}{4} \phi F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} = g \phi (B^2 - E^2), \quad (9)$$

which in a magnetic field produces mixing between the axion-like particle  $\phi$  and the photon component which is *perpendicular* to the external field. Particles featuring

Light shining through walls  
Javier Redondo & Andreas Ringwald  
Contemporary Physics, 52:3, 211-236,  
DOI: 10.1080/00107514.2011.563516





**Figure 14.11:** Allowed 95% CL ranges (1 dof) for the neutrino mass observable determined in  ${}^3\text{H}$  beta decay (left panel) and in  $0\nu\beta\beta$  (right panel) in the framework of  $3\nu$  mixing as a function of the lightest neutrino mass. The ranges are obtained by projecting the results of the global analysis of oscillation data (w/o SK-atm) in Ref. [184]. The region for each ordering is defined with respect to its local minimum.

for the two orderings. As a consequence of the dependence on the unknown Majorana phases, the allowed range of  $m_{ee}$  for a given value of  $m_{\text{light}}$  and ordering is substantially broader than that of  $m_{\nu_e}$ . Nevertheless, the results of oscillation experiments imply a lower bound on the effective Majorana mass for the IO, which at 95%CL reads  $m_{ee} > 0.016$  eV.

# Mixing in matter (PDG 2020)

The instantaneous mass eigenstates in matter,  $\nu_i^m$ , are the eigenstates of the Hamiltonian  $H$  in (14.56) for a fixed value of  $x$ , and they are related to the interaction basis by

$$\vec{\nu} = \tilde{U}(x)\vec{\nu}^m. \quad (14.59)$$

The corresponding instantaneous eigenvalues of  $H$  are  $\mu_i(x)^2/(2E)$  with  $\mu_i(x)$  being the instantaneous effective neutrino masses.

Let us take for simplicity a neutrino state which is an admixture of only two neutrino species  $|\nu_\alpha\rangle$  and  $|\nu_\beta\rangle$ , so the two instantaneous mass eigenstates in matter  $\nu_1^m$  and  $\nu_2^m$  have instantaneous effective neutrino masses

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{1,2}^2(x) &= \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2}{2} + E[V_\alpha + V_\beta] \\ &\mp \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{[\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - A]^2 + [\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta]^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (14.60)$$

and  $\tilde{U}(x)$  is a 2x2 rotation matrix with the instantaneous mixing angle in matter given by

$$\tan 2\theta_m = \frac{\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - A}. \quad (14.61)$$

In the Eqs.(14.60) and (14.61)  $A$  is

$$A \equiv 2E(V_\alpha - V_\beta), \quad (14.62)$$

and its sign depends on depends on the composition of the medium and on the flavour composition of the neutrino state considered. From the expressions above we see that for a given sign of  $A$  the mixing angle in matter is larger(smaller) than in vacuum if this last one is in the first (second) octant. We see that the symmetry about 45 degrees which existing in vacuum oscillations between two neutrino states is broken by the matter potential in propagation in a medium. The expressions

