

Neutrinos at the LHC: FASER ν and SND@LHC

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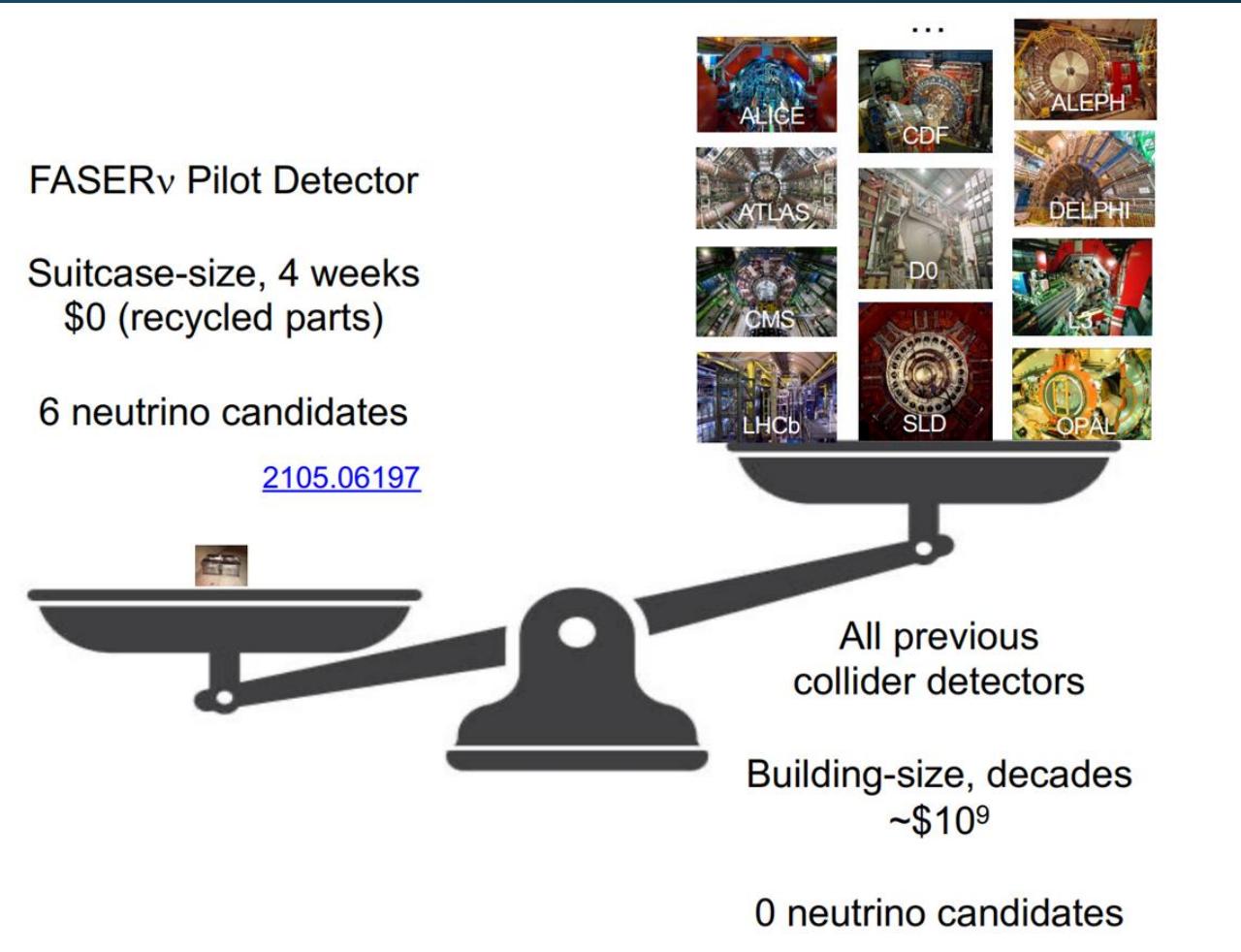
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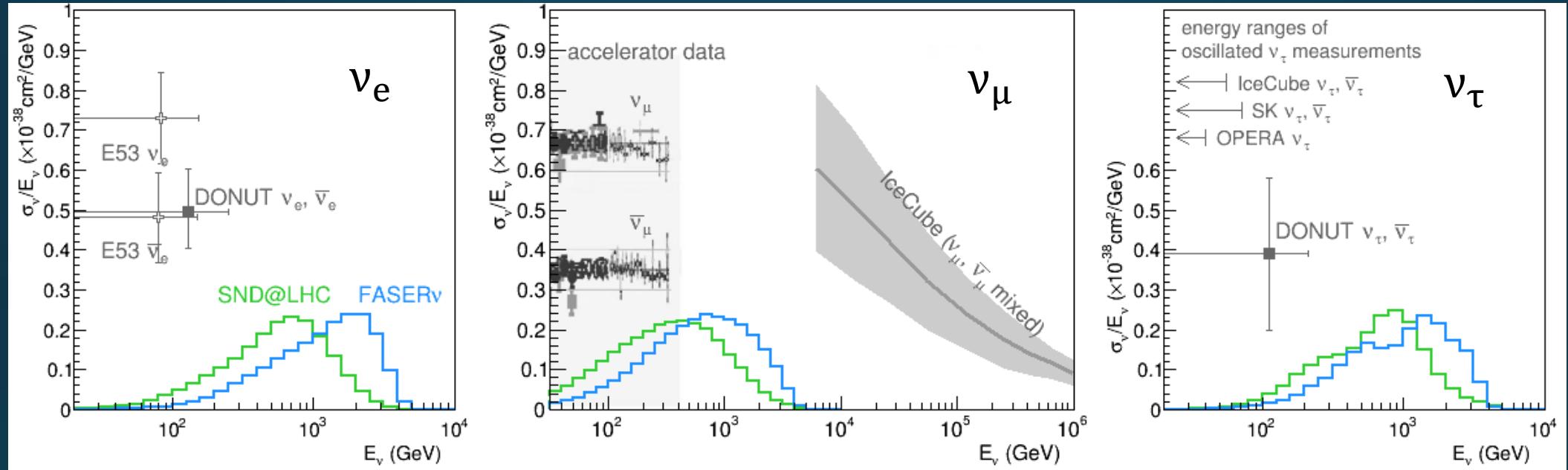
Collider neutrinos

- New opportunities for neutrino researches
- Neutrino at the LHC were considered in 80s-90s, however, never realized, e.g. A. De Rujula, et al.
 - Cost was considered too expensive w.r.t. physics
- No neutrino detected by any collider experiments by 2018
- In 2018, new initiatives have started

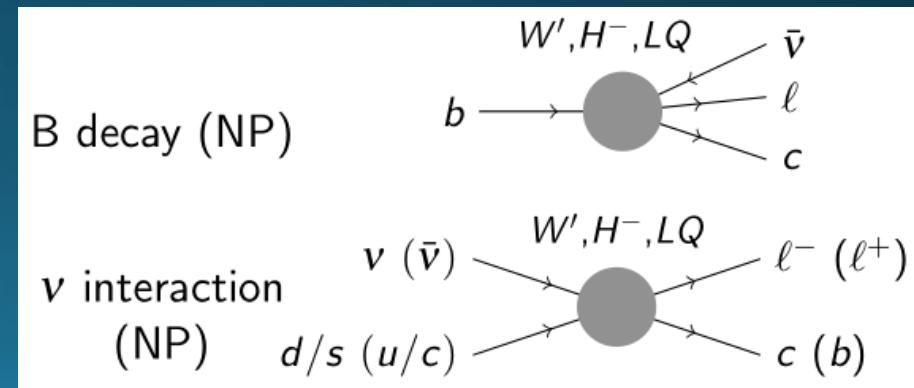


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Motivation for TeV energy neutrinos

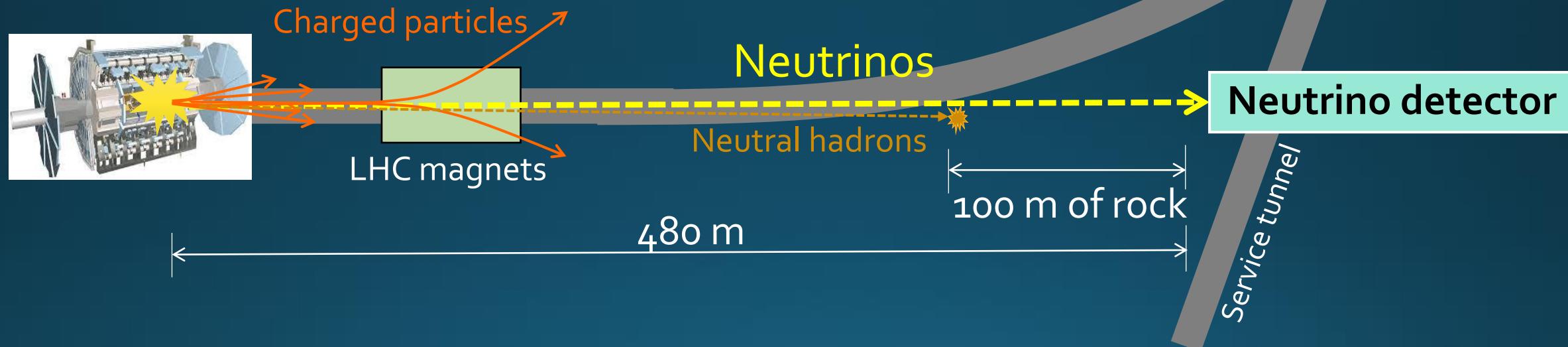


- Highest neutrino energy made by man-kind
- Behavior of neutrinos at TeV energies?
- Lepton Universality in neutrino scattering?
 - ν_τ and heavy quarks → Flavor anomaly e.g. R_D
- Any new physics effects at high energy?

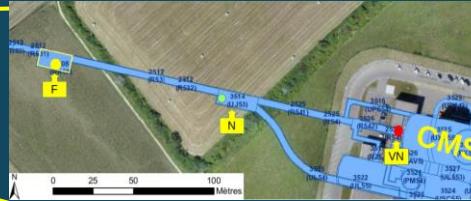
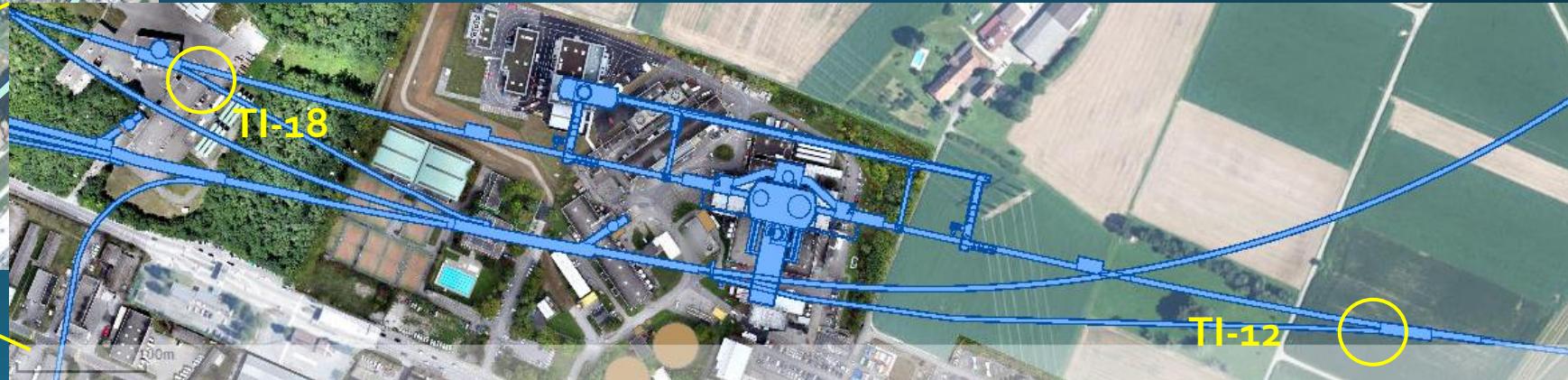
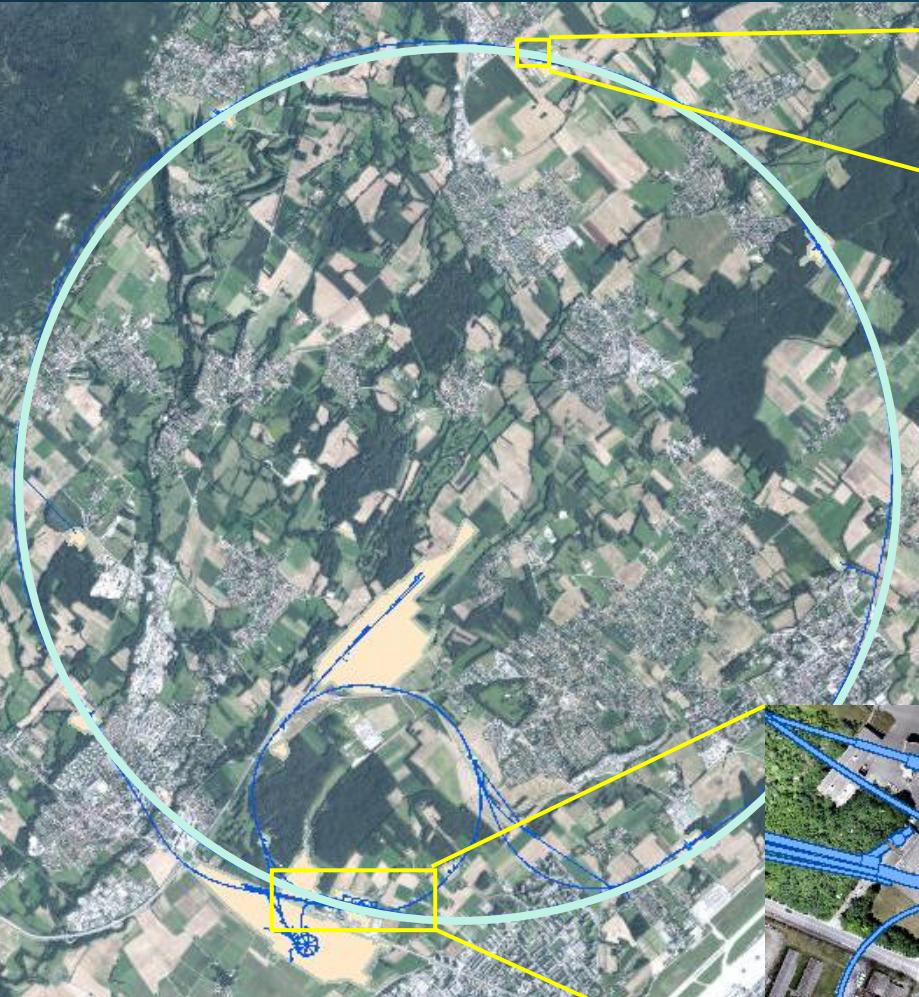


LHC's “neutrino beamline”

p - p collision at ATLAS



Site studies in 2018



XSEN group investigated locations around CMS

[10.1088/1361-6471/ab3f7c](https://doi.org/10.1088/1361-6471/ab3f7c)

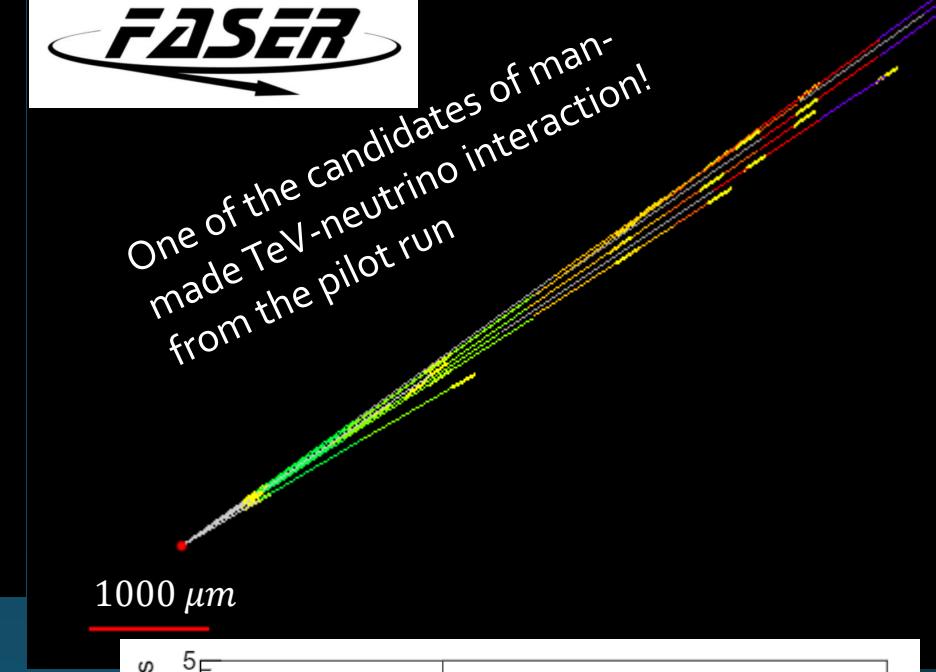
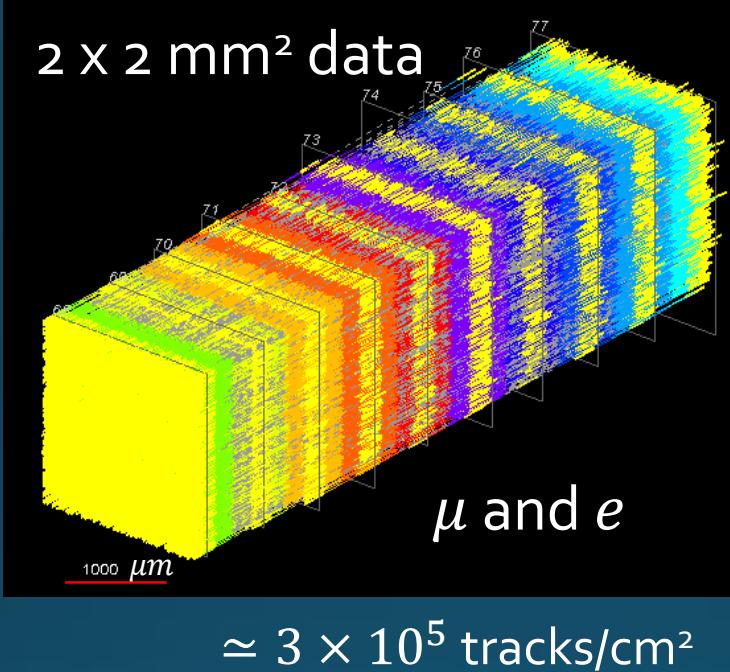
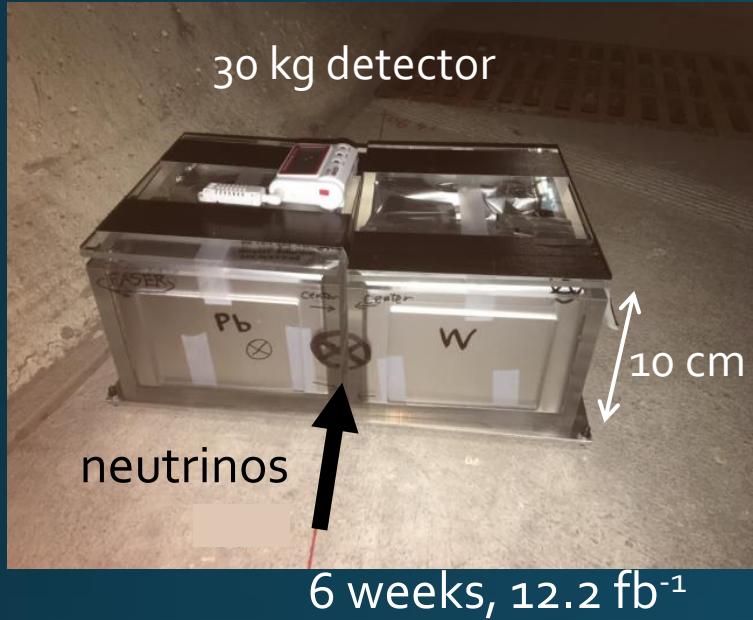
Background levels were too high for emulsion detectors

FASER group investigated those at very forward of ATLAS, TI-18 and TI-12

[10.1140/epjc/s10052-020-7631-5](https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-020-7631-5)

Background levels were reasonably low!

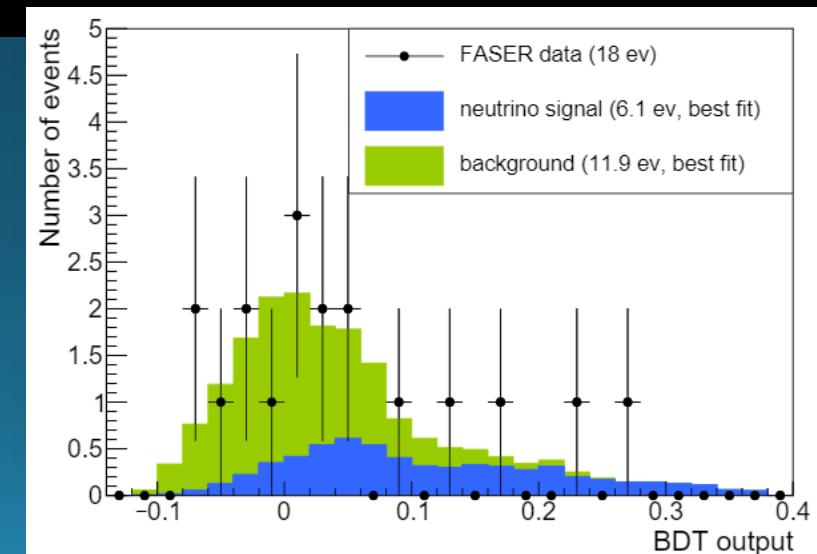
FASER ν pilot run in 2018 at Tl-18



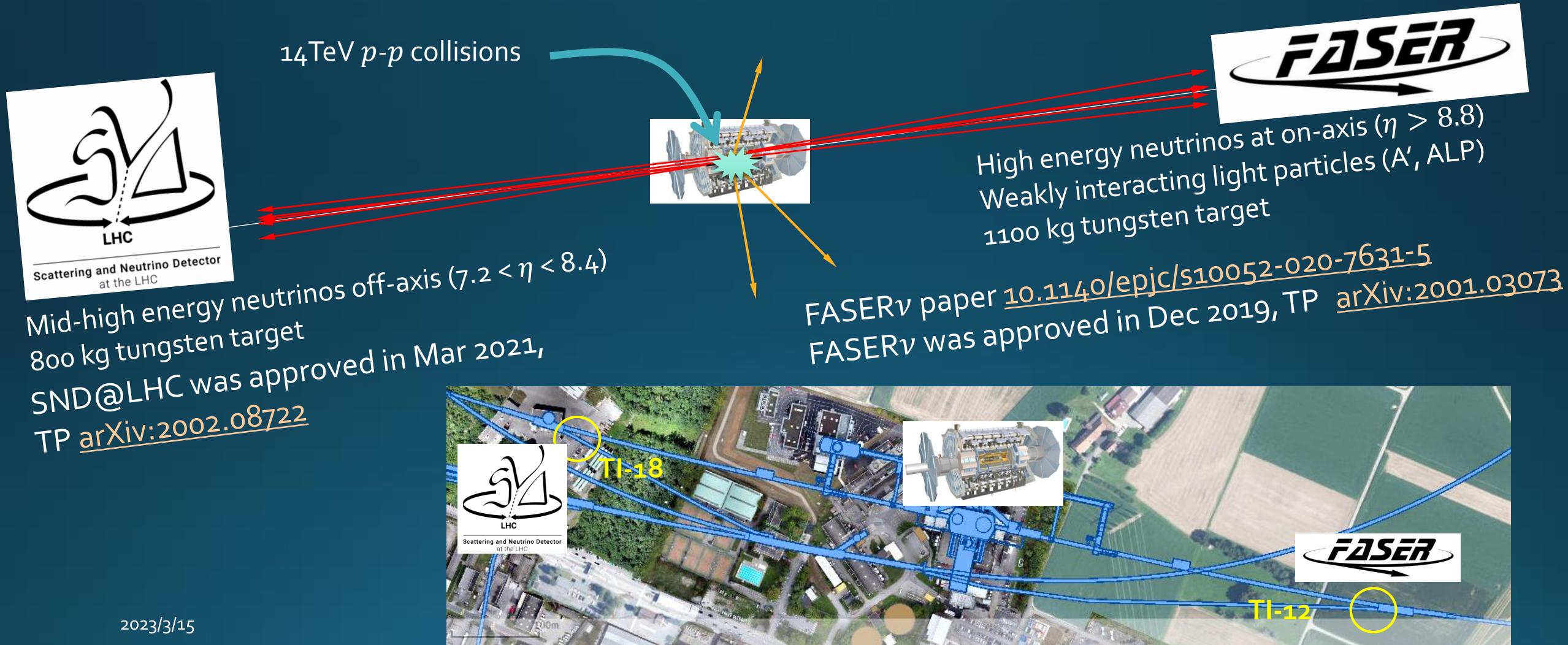
- A **30 kg** emulsion based detector, on axis, collected **12.2 fb^{-1}** of data in Sep-Oct 2018
- First neutrino candidates at **2.7σ**

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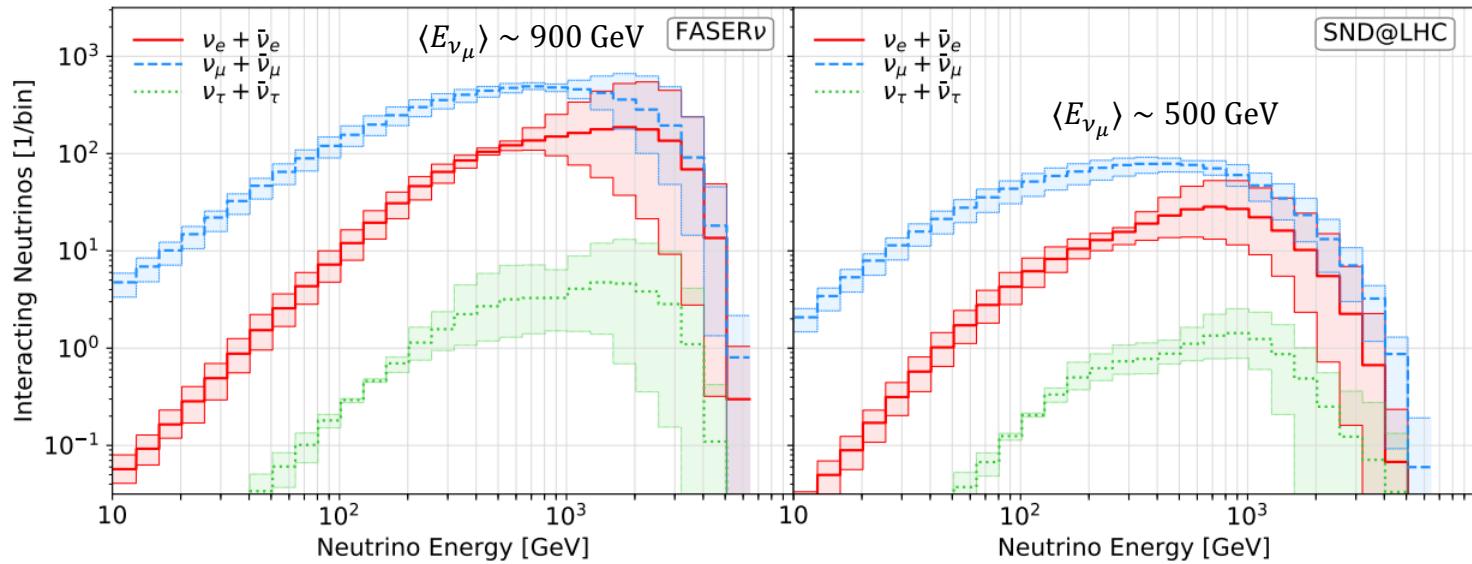


Neutrino experiments at the LHC



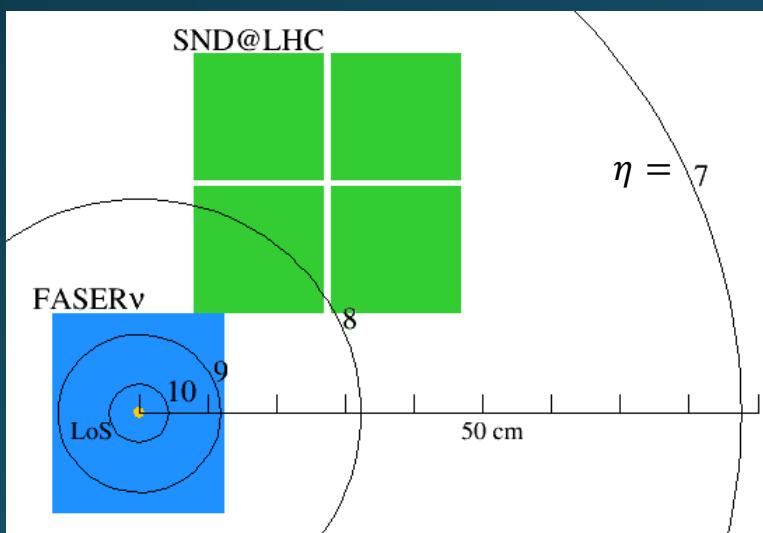
Expected neutrino spectra

Expected CC interactions with 150 fb^{-1}



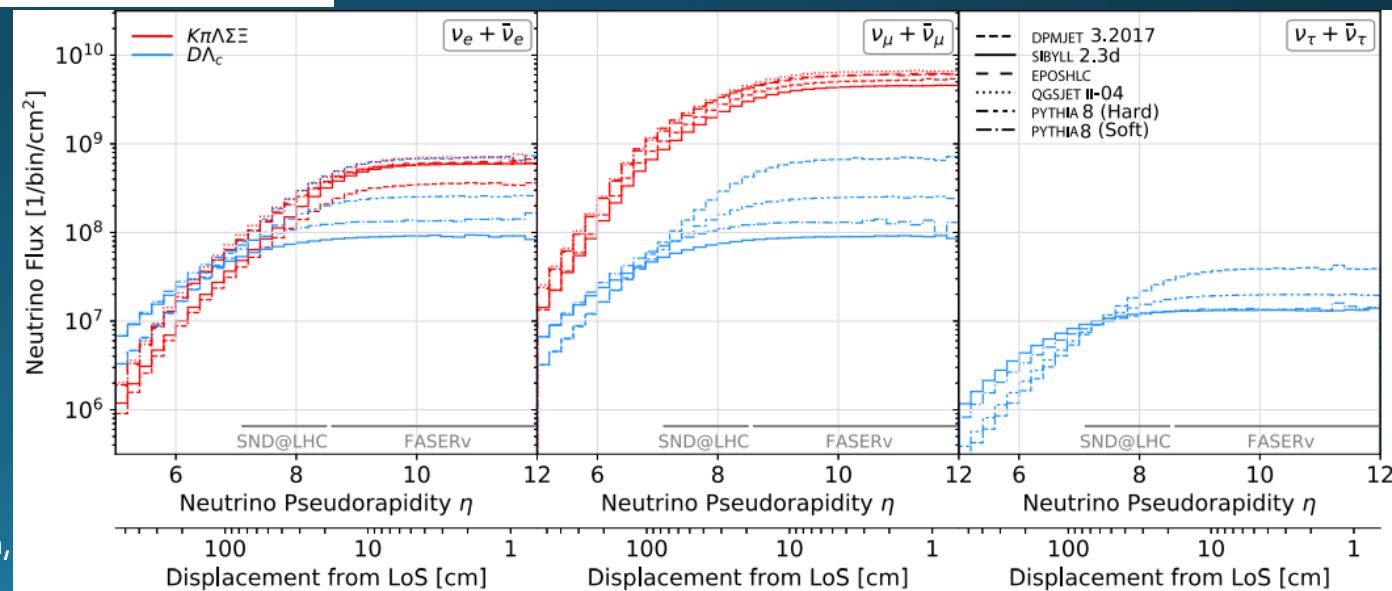
	FASERν	SND@LHC
Target mass	1100 kg	800 kg
Location	On axis	Off axis
Features	High energy & high statistics	More neutrinos from charm decay

[10.1103/PhysRevD.104.113008](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.11308)



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Expected number of CC interactions

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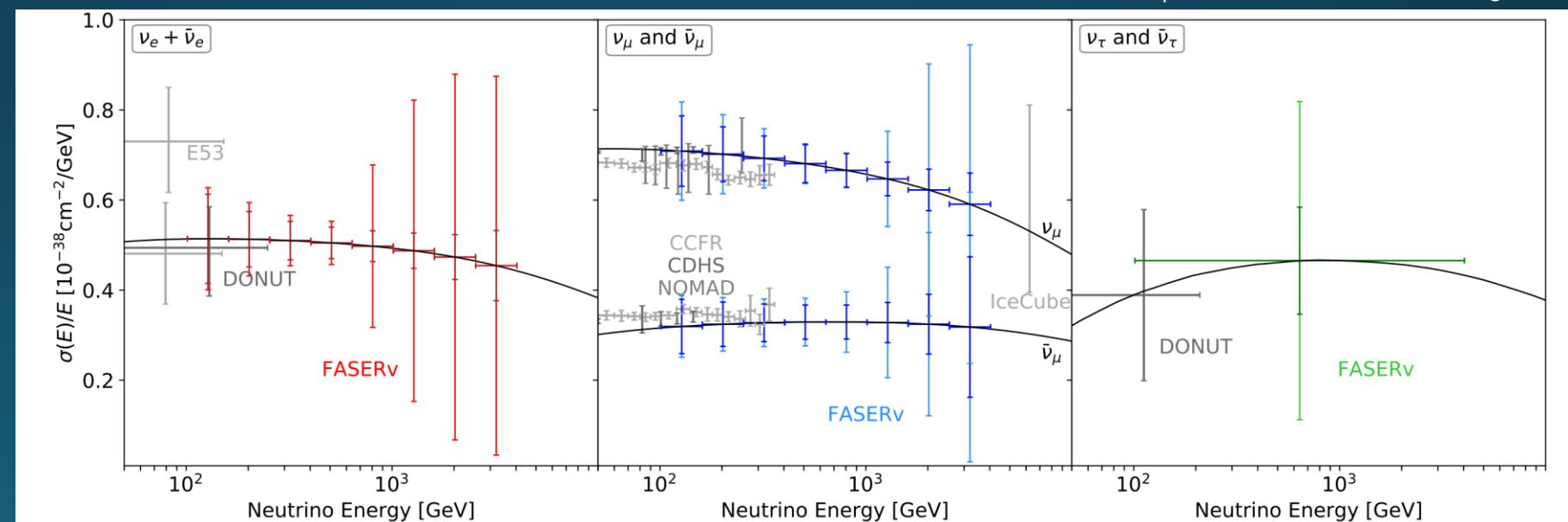
Three flavors neutrino cross section measurements at unexplored energies $\mathcal{O}(10,000)$ ν interactions expected in LHC Run 3

Test Lepton Universality in CC-int
Also NC interaction studies

Projected cross section sensitivities (FASER ν)

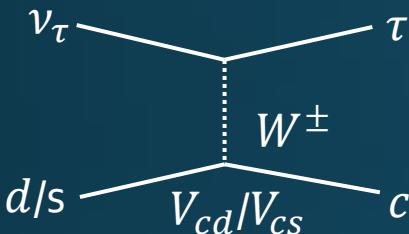
Generators		FASER ν			SND@LHC		
light hadrons	heavy hadrons	$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$	$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$
SIBYLL	SIBYLL	901	4783	14.7	134	790	7.6
DPMJET	DPMJET	3457	7088	97	395	1034	18.6
EPOS LHC	Pythia8 (Hard)	1513	5905	34.2	267	1123	11.5
QGSJET	Pythia8 (Soft)	970	5351	16.1	185	1015	7.2
Combination (all)		1710^{+1746}_{-809}	5782^{+1306}_{-998}	$40.5^{+56.6}_{-25.8}$	245^{+149}_{-111}	991^{+132}_{-200}	$11.3^{+7.3}_{-4.0}$
Combination (w/o DPMJET)		1128^{+385}_{-227}	5346^{+558}_{-563}	$21.6^{+12.5}_{-6.9}$	195^{+71}_{-61}	976^{+146}_{-185}	$8.8^{+2.7}_{-1.5}$

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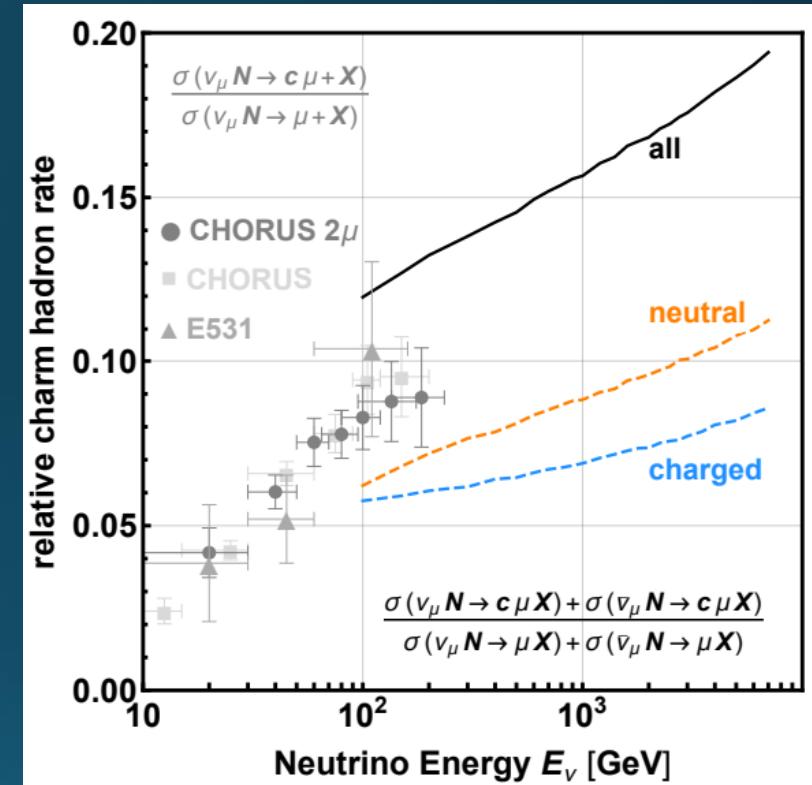
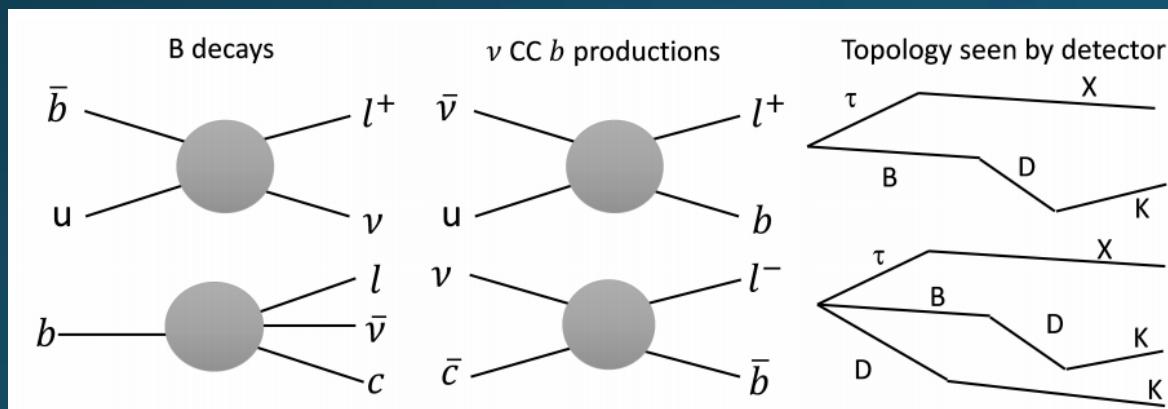
neutrino-induced heavy-flavor production

- Measure charm production channels
 - Large rate $\sim 15\%$ ν CC events. **Charm factory!**
 - First measurement of ν_e induced charm prod.



$$\frac{\sigma(\nu_\ell N \rightarrow \ell X_c + X)}{\sigma(\nu_\ell N \rightarrow \ell + X)} \quad \ell = e, \mu, \tau$$

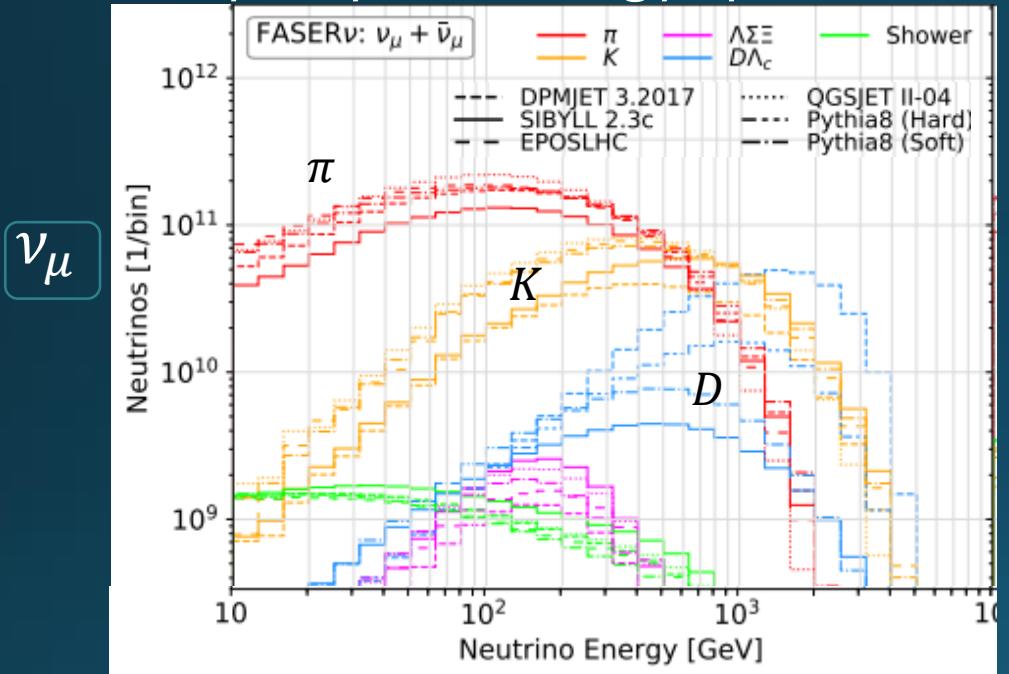
- Search for Beauty production channels
 - Expected SM events (ν_μ CC b production) are $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$ events due to CKM suppression, $V_{ub}^2 \simeq 10^{-5}$



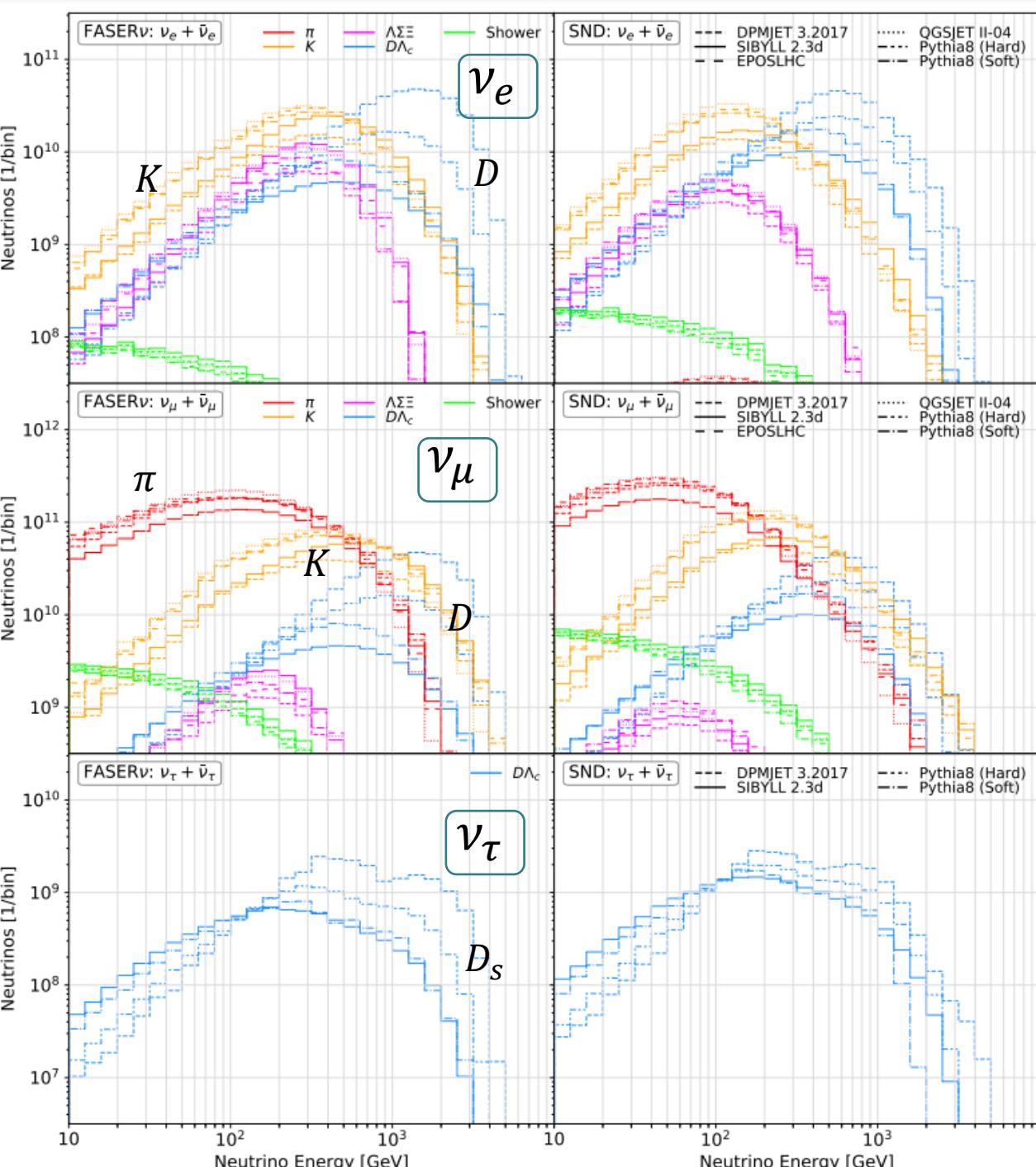
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Neutrinos = proxy of forward hadron production

- Pion, Kaon, charm contribute to different part of rapidity and energy spectra and flavor



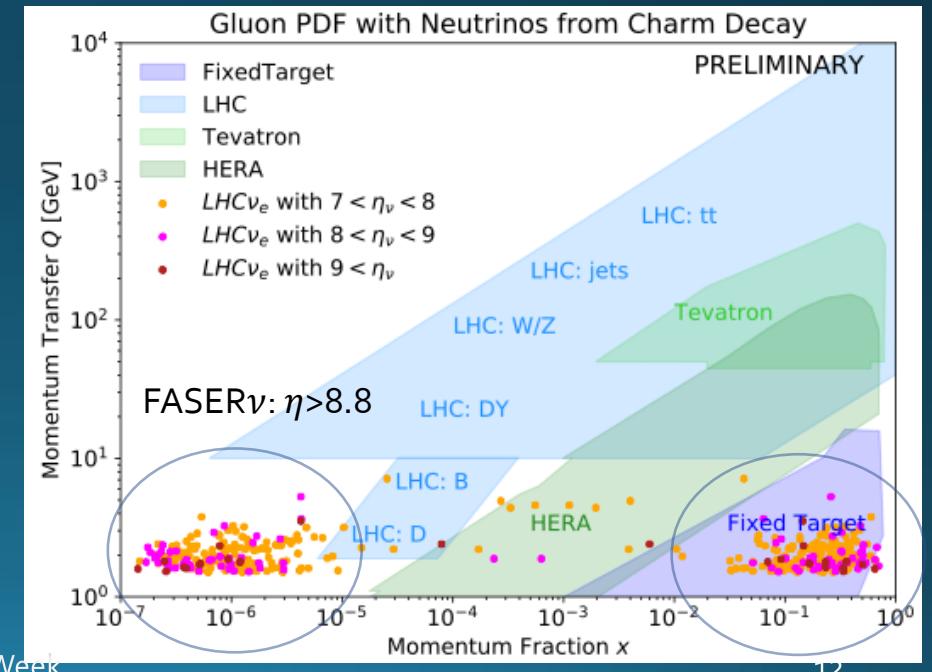
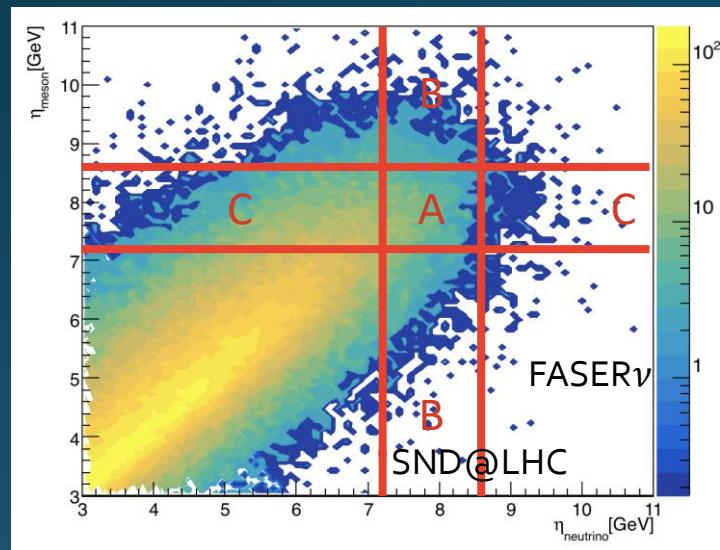
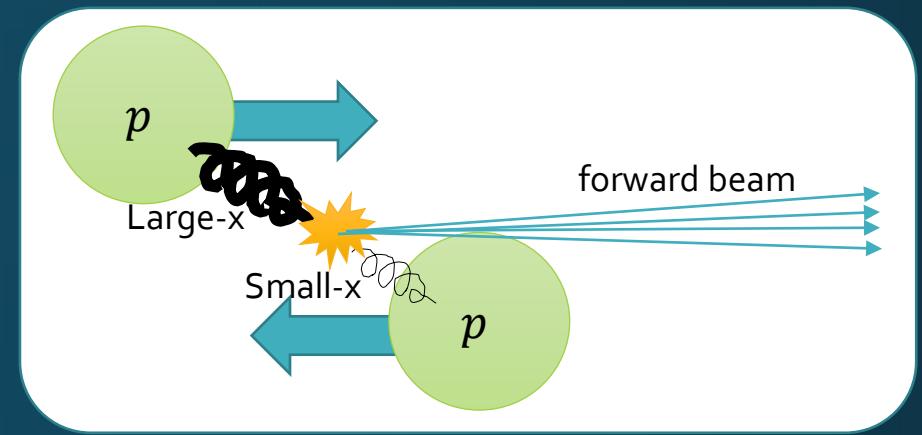
ν_μ



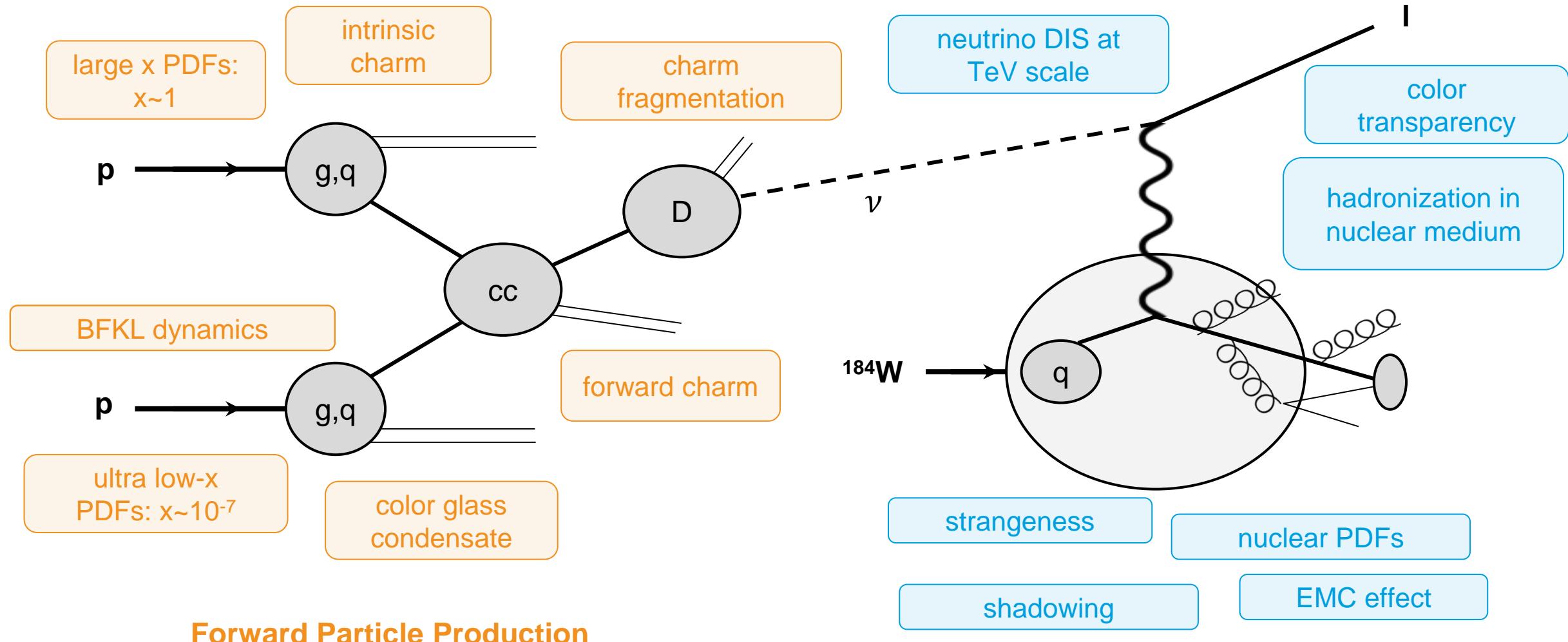
- FASER ν and SND@LHC provides important inputs to validate/improve generators → Muon excess, prompt neutrinos

Further insights on QCD

- Asymmetric collisions → Forward beam
- New kinematical regime at $x < 10^{-5}$
- Neutrinos from charm decay in FASER ν and SND@LHC could allow to test transition to small- x factorization, probe intrinsic charm

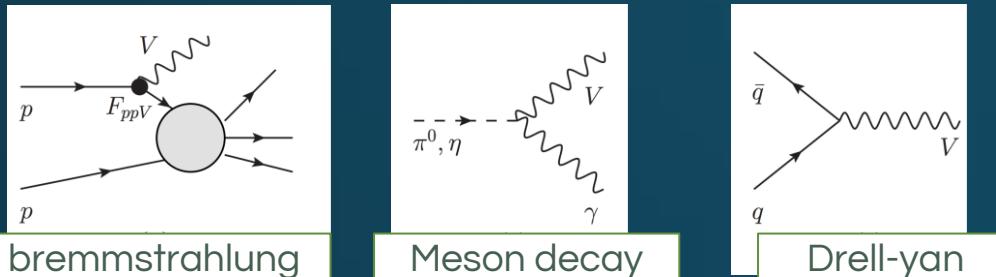


QCD using LHC Neutrinos



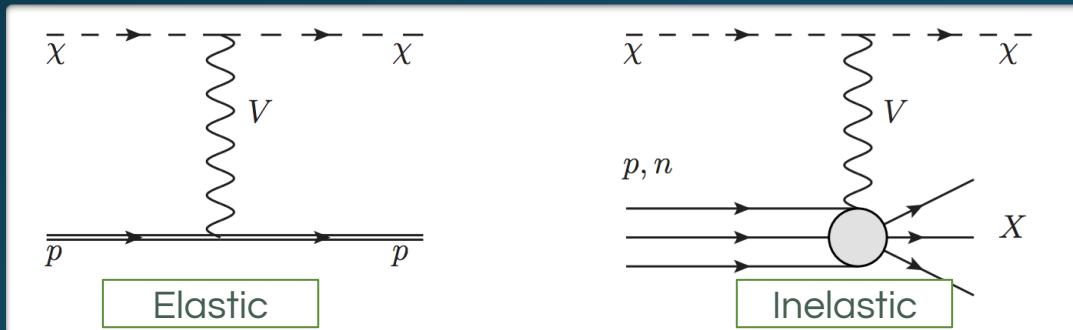
Feebly interacting particles

- SND@LHC, FASER is sensitive to new **dark sector** particles



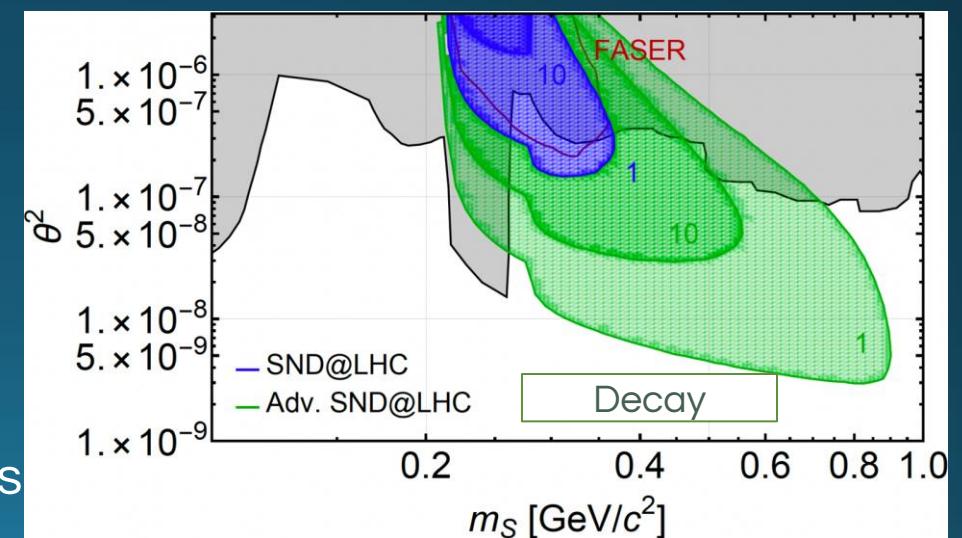
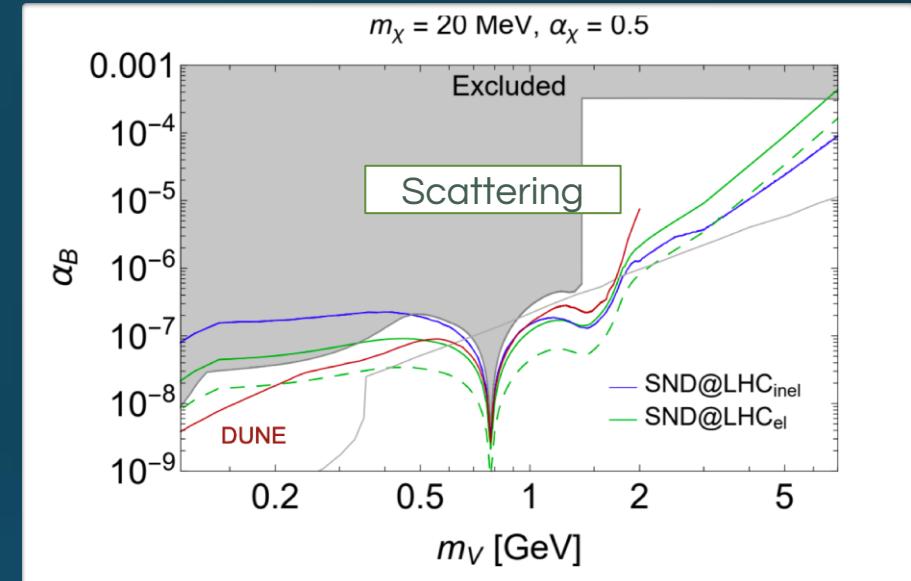
- Scattering in SND@LHC**

- E.g., scalars interacting with nucleons via a leptophobic portal



- Decaying in SND@LHC, FASER**

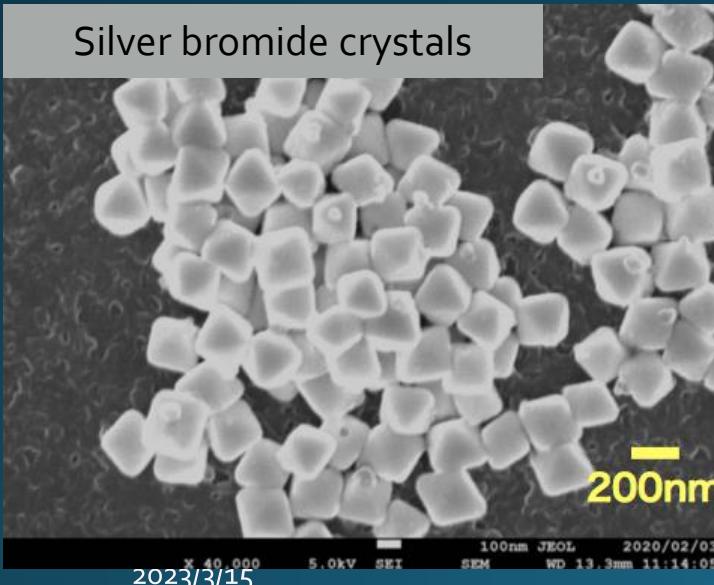
- Dark scalars, heavy neutral leptons or dark photons decaying into a pair of charged tracks



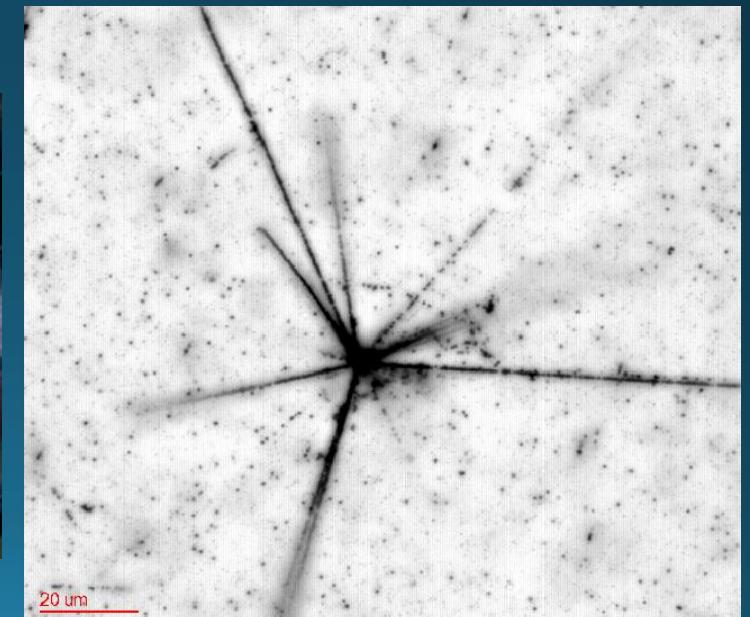
Experimental status

Emulsion-based neutrino target

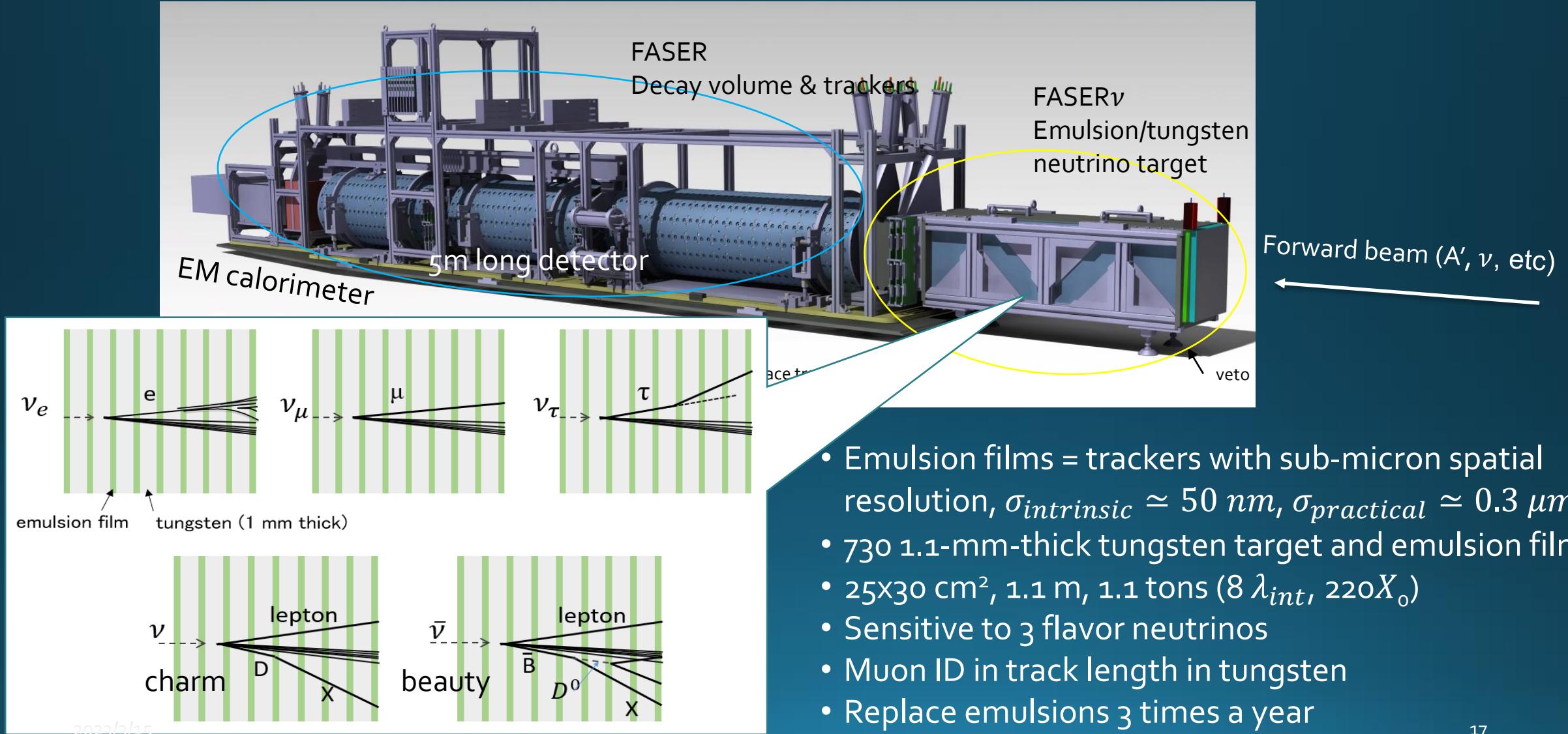
- Employed by both FASER ν and SND@LHC
- Super large number of detection channels $\sim 8 \times 10^{14}$ detection channels / film ($30 \times 25 \text{ cm}^2$ in FASER ν). ($39 \times 39 \text{ cm}^2$ in SND@LHC)
- 3D tracking device with 50 nm intrinsic resolution
- Coupled with tungsten target



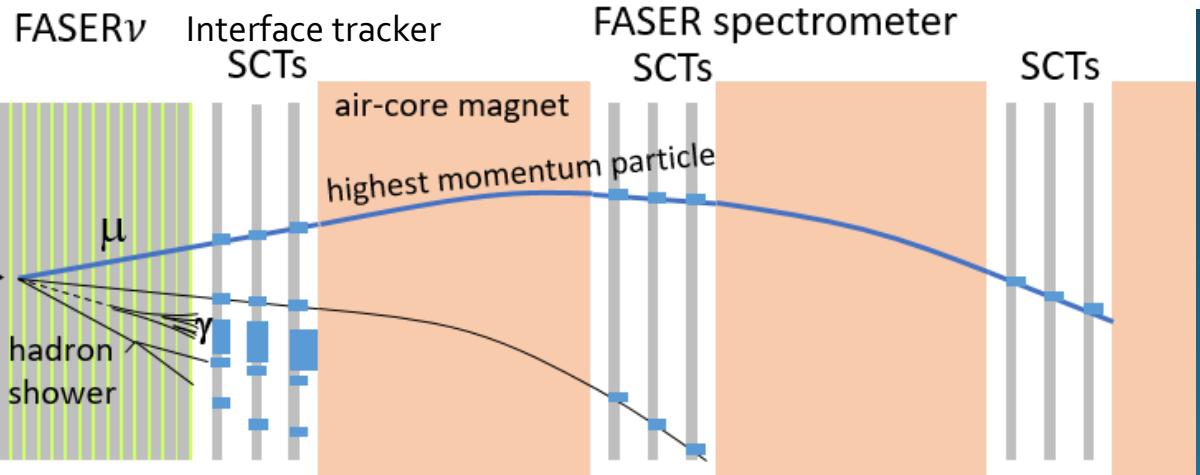
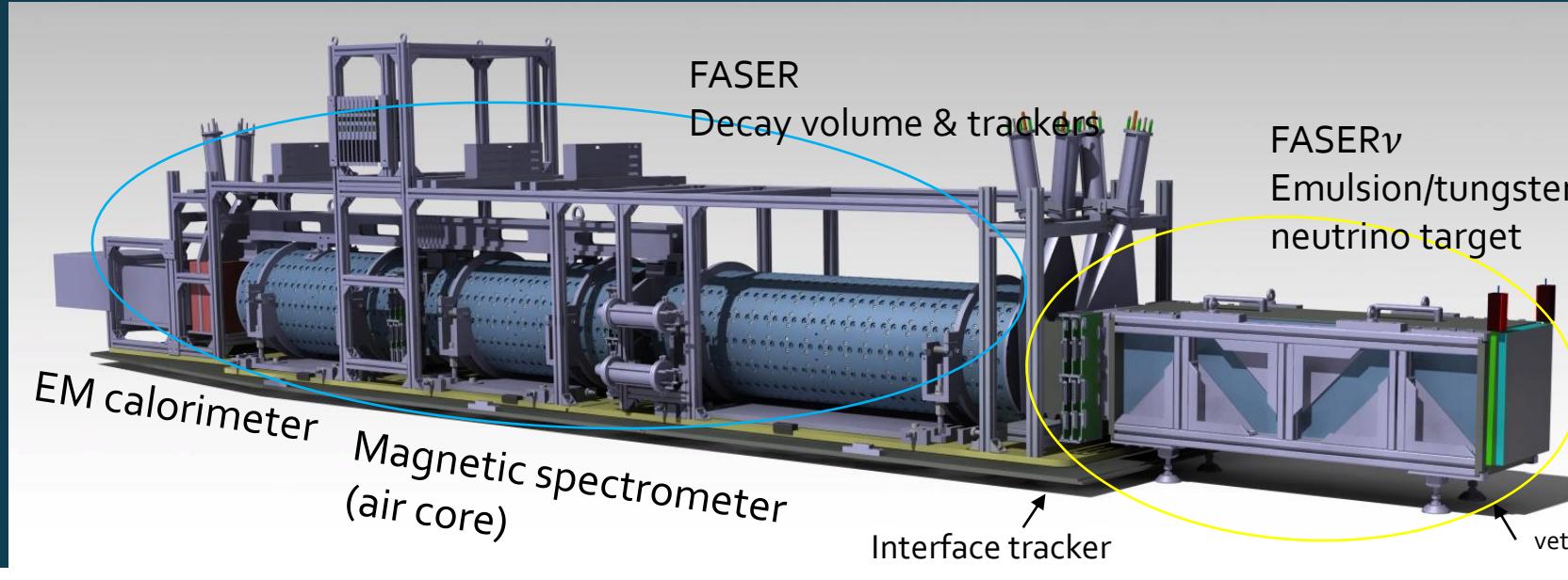
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FASER+FASER ν detector in Run3 (2022-2025)



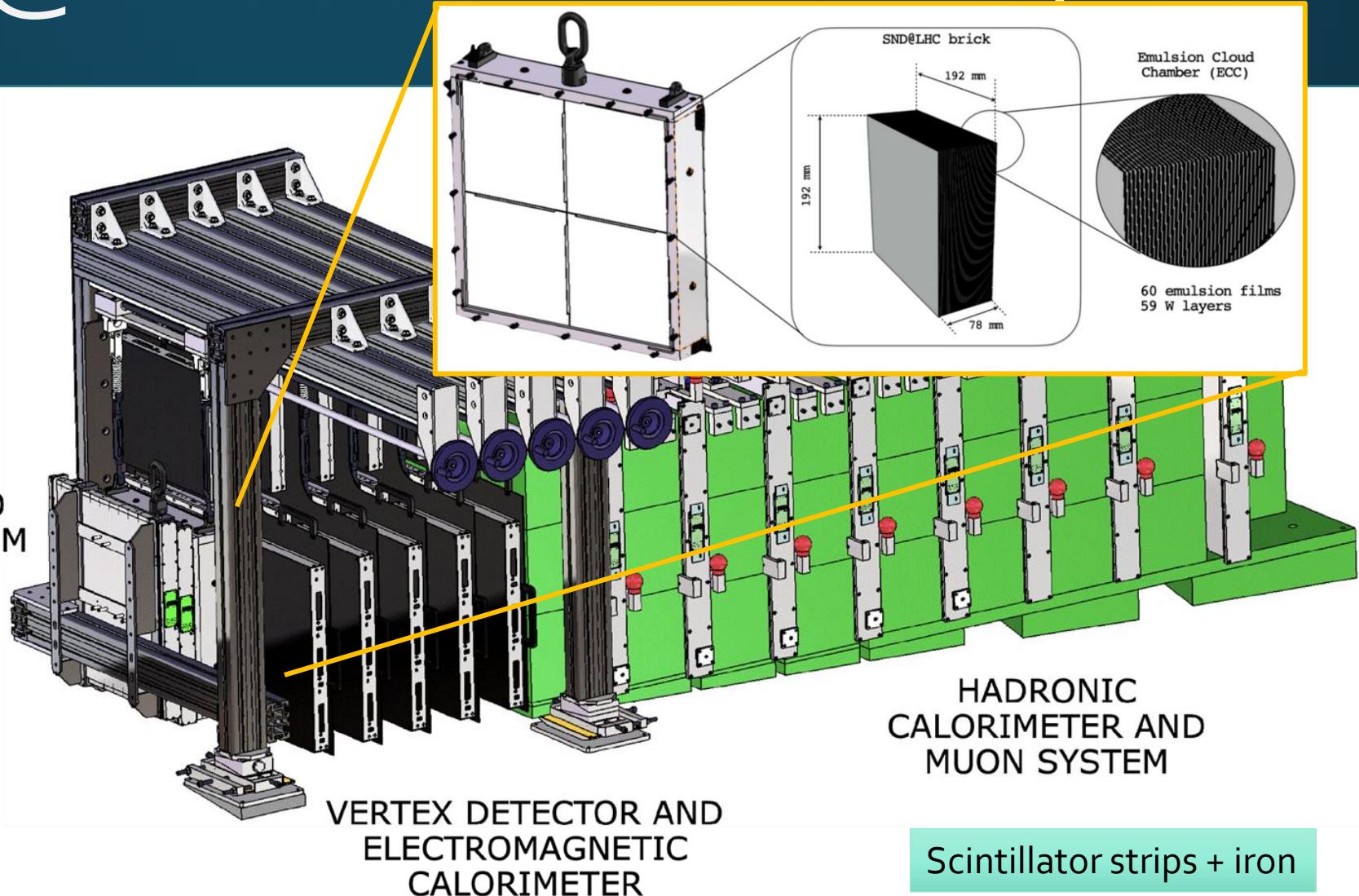
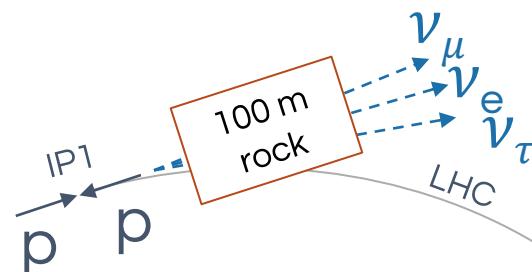
FASER+FASER ν detector in Run3 (2022-2025)



- Global reconstruction with FASER spectrometer
 - muon charge identification
 - $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ separation
- Improve energy resolution

The SND@LHC detector concept

- Hybrid detector design.
- Optimized for the identification of three neutrino flavours and feebly interacting particles.



Emulsion/W target and SciFi planes

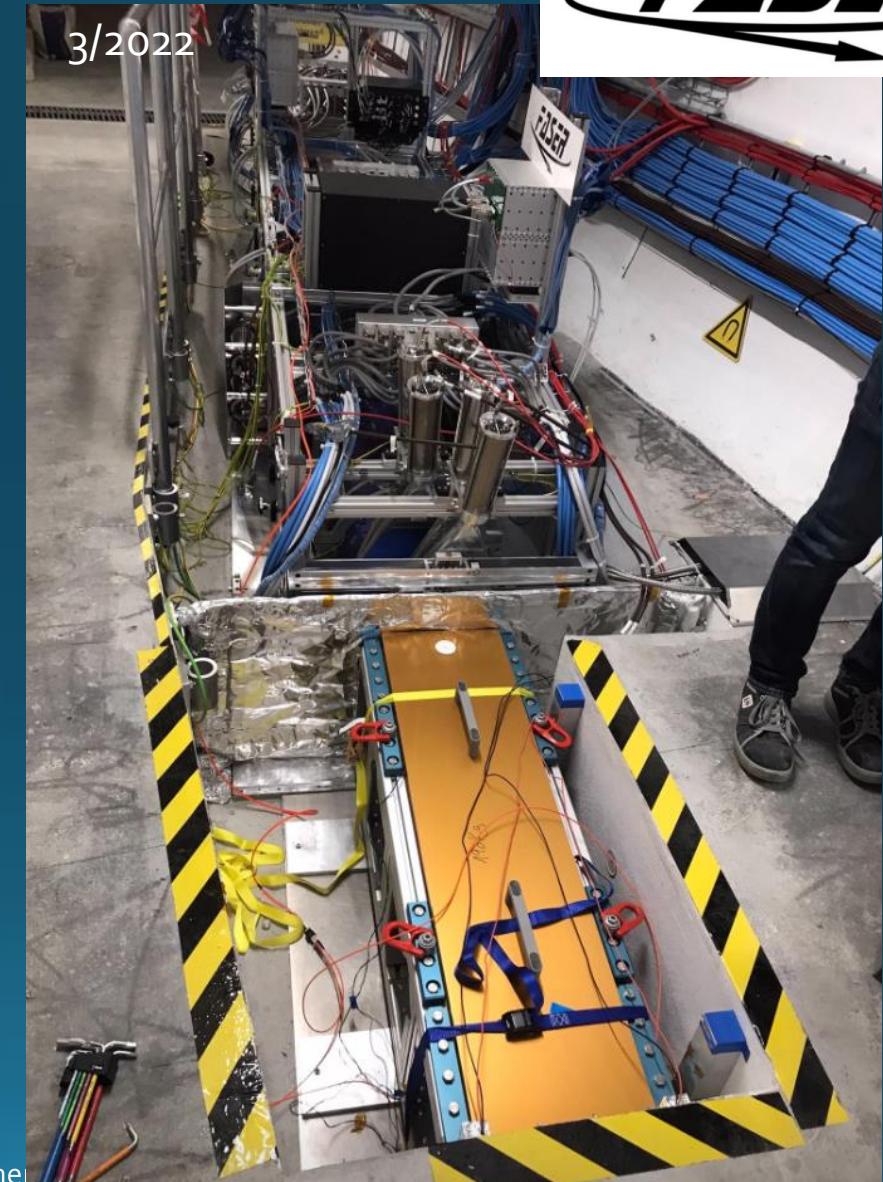
Construction

- Despite the difficult period, both neutrino experiments were constructed in time for Run3!
- Amazingly quick works!



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CERN Emulsion Facility

- Dark room at CERN established in 80s → Obsolete
- Emulsion experiments are increasing: NA65/DsTau, FASER ν , SND@LHC, SHiP, test beams...
- Refurbished recently, big thanks for supports from CERN!
- Experiments share installation and equipment



Temperature controlled developer bath



Development timer



Film drying



Microscope



Development room
13 x 100L tanks
Easy disposal system



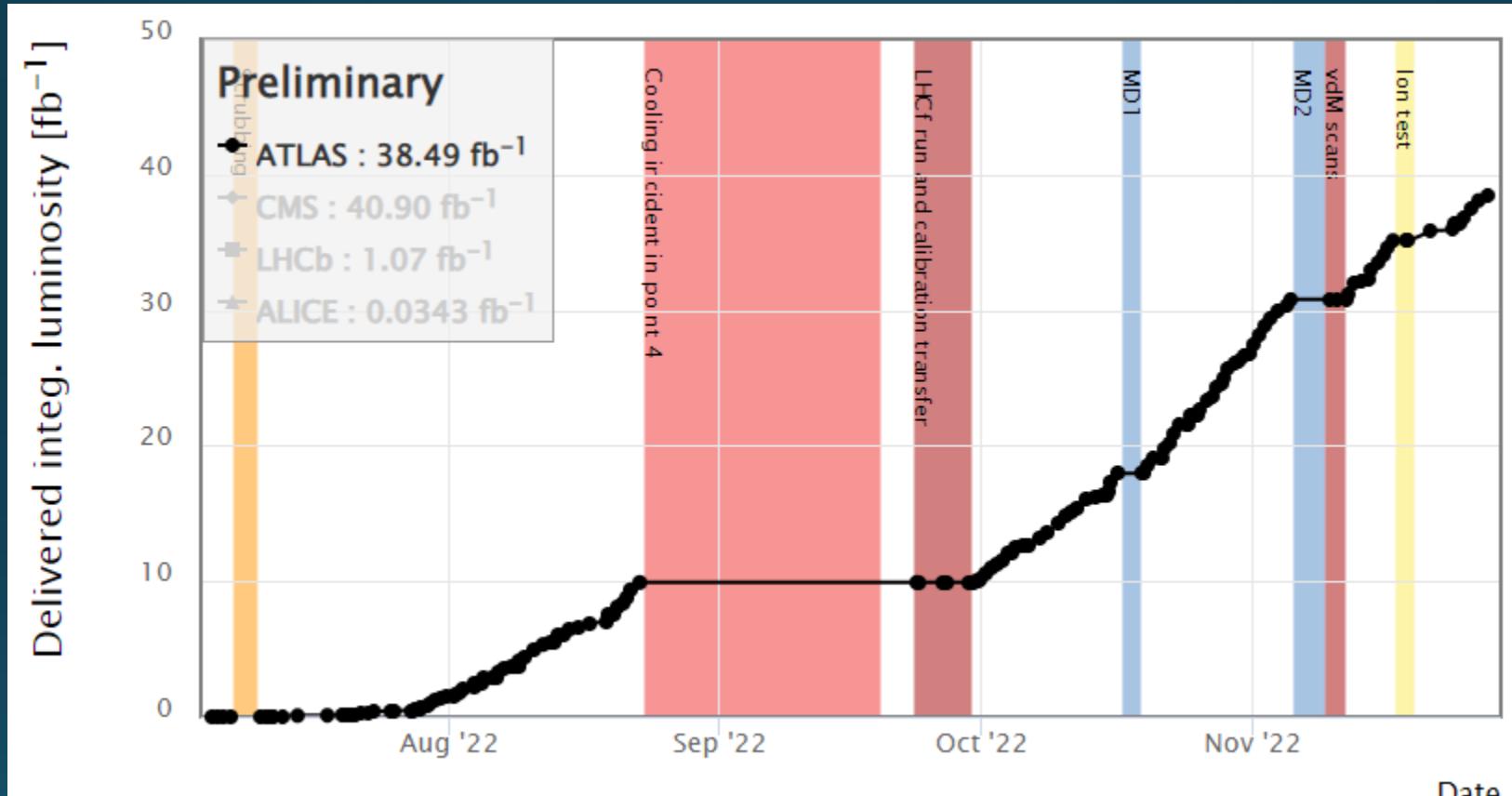
Disposal



Data taking in 2022

38.5 fb^{-1} of data delivered

Run 3 total expected (2022-2025) = 250 fb^{-1}



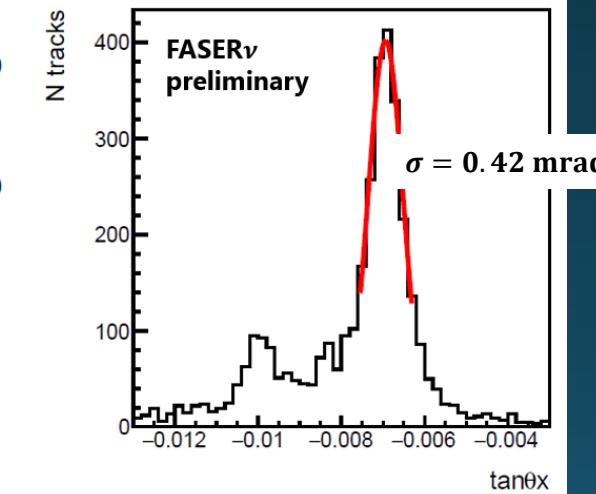
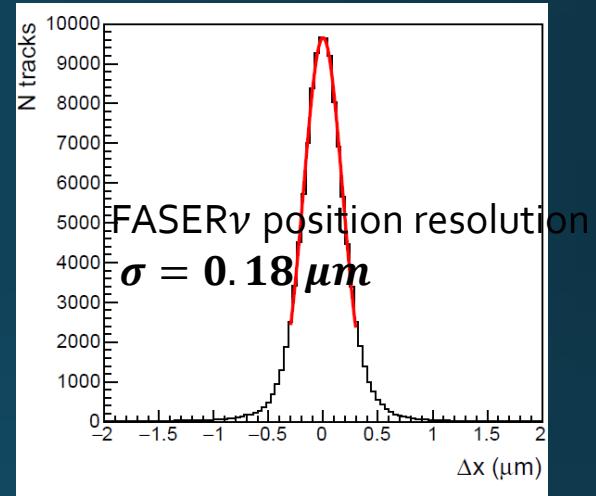
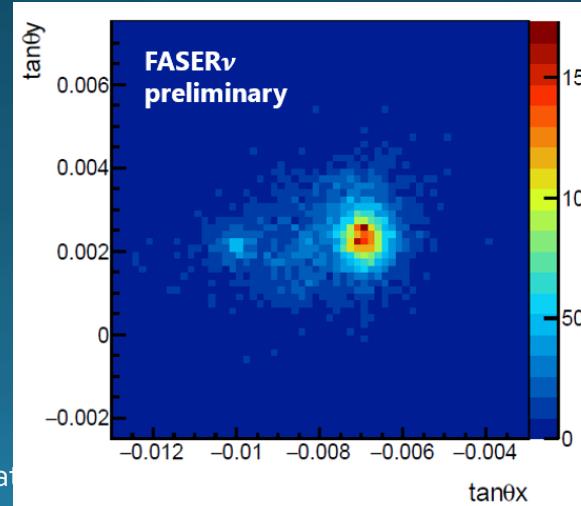
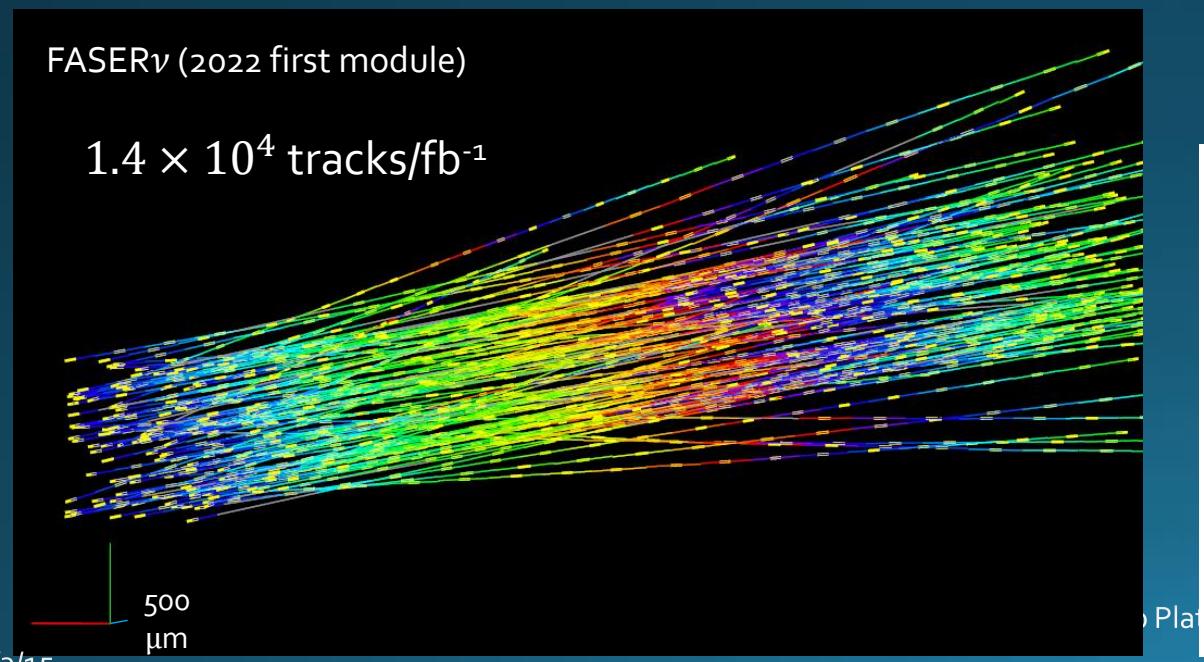
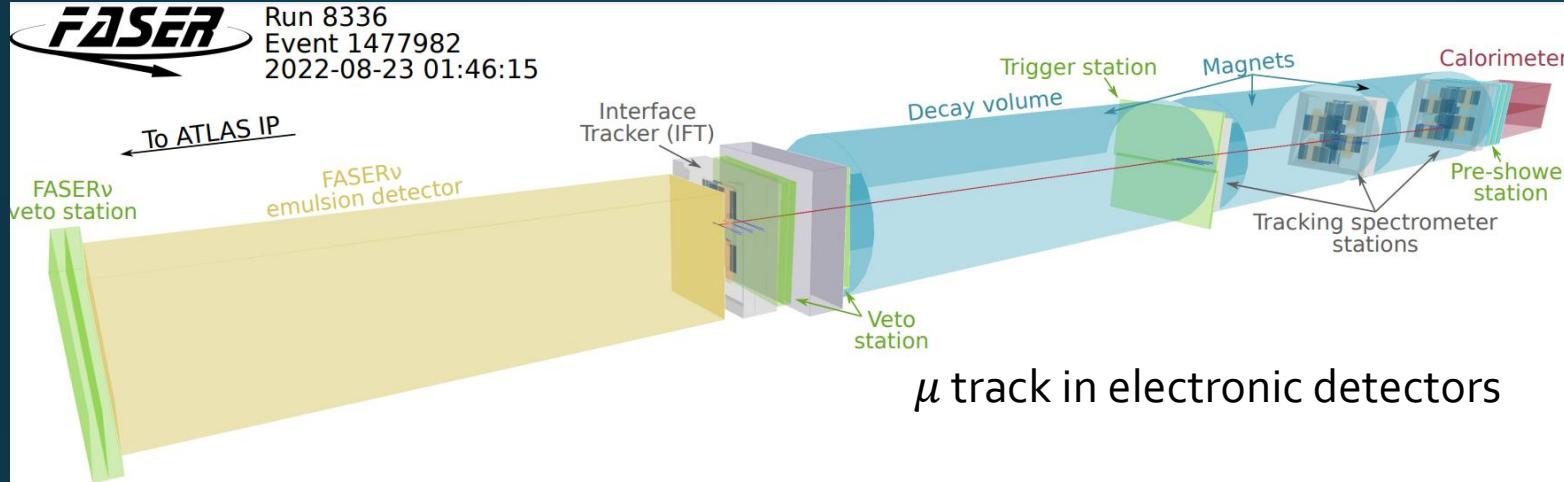
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SND@LHC
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Emulsion films
were exchanged
3-4 times

Muon tracks in FASER

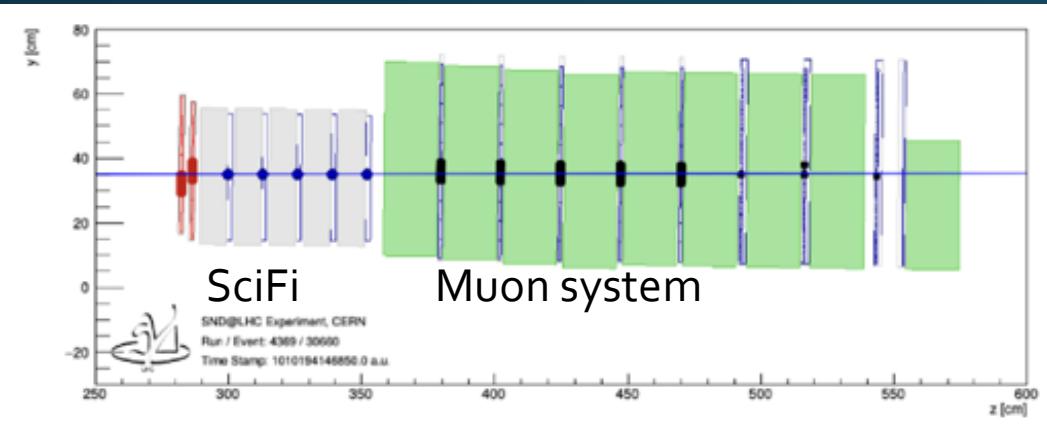


Muon angular distributions in SND@LHC



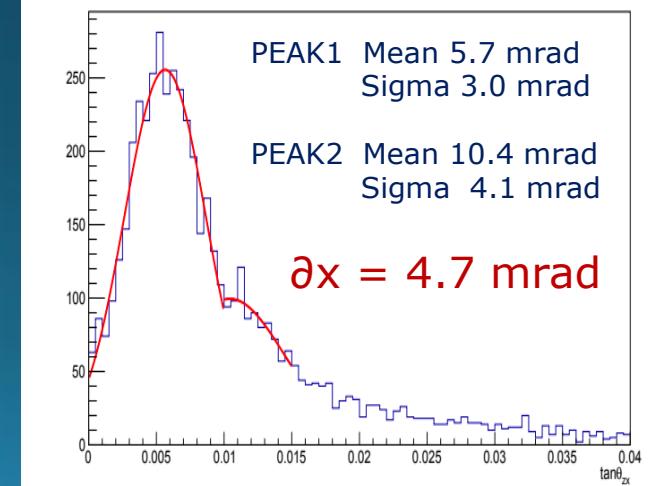
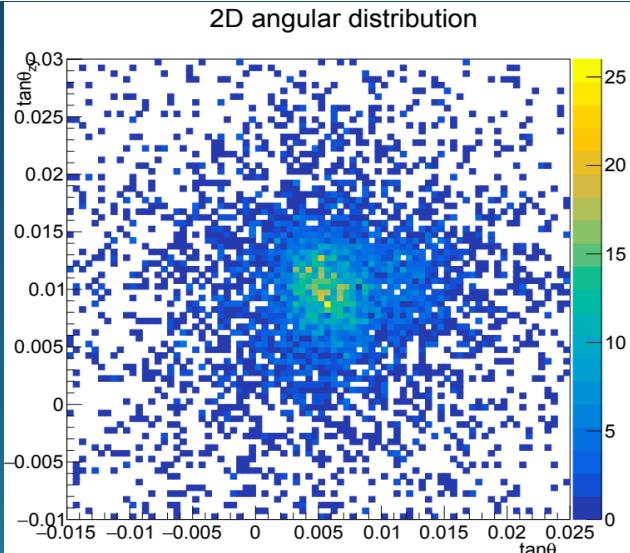
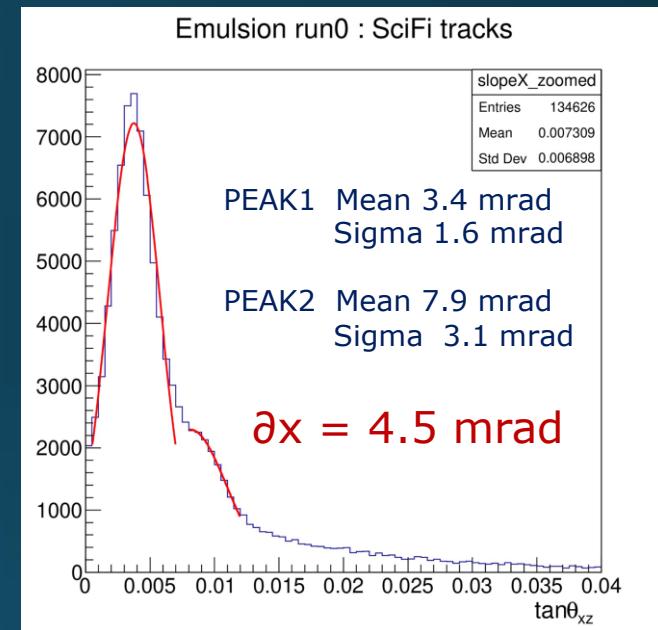
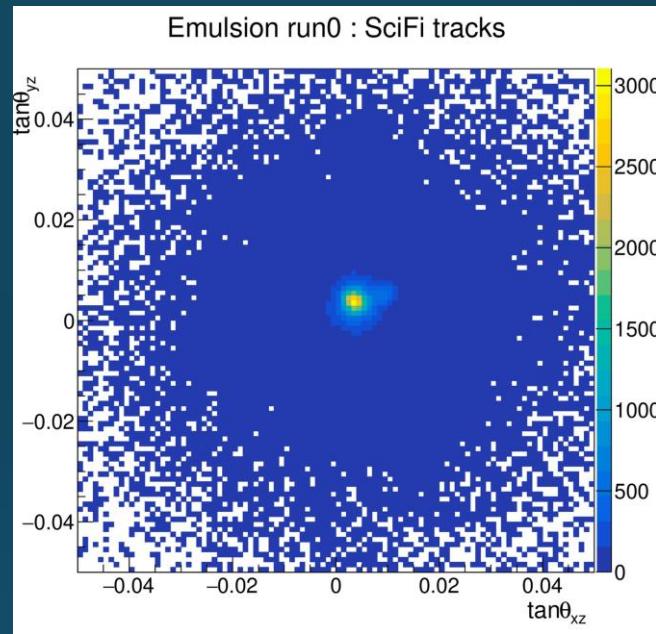
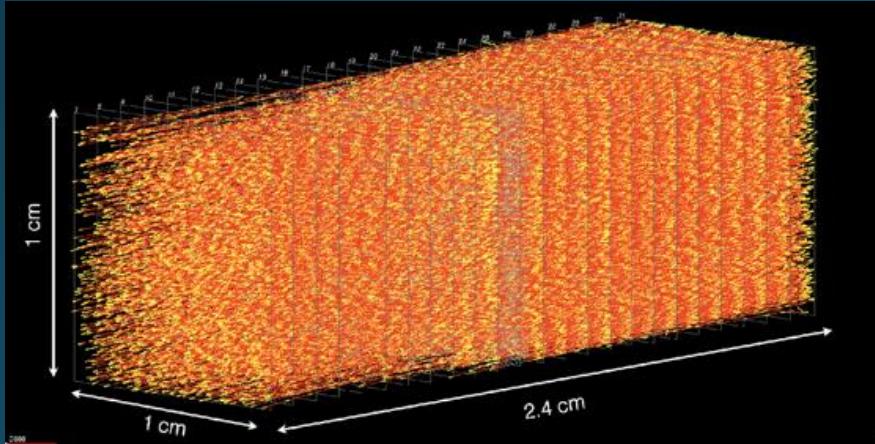
SciFi

Measured rates on BRICK1 surface
 $1.4 \times 10^4 \text{ fb/cm}^2$



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Measured rates in BRICK1
 $1.5 \times 10^4 \text{ fb/cm}^2$

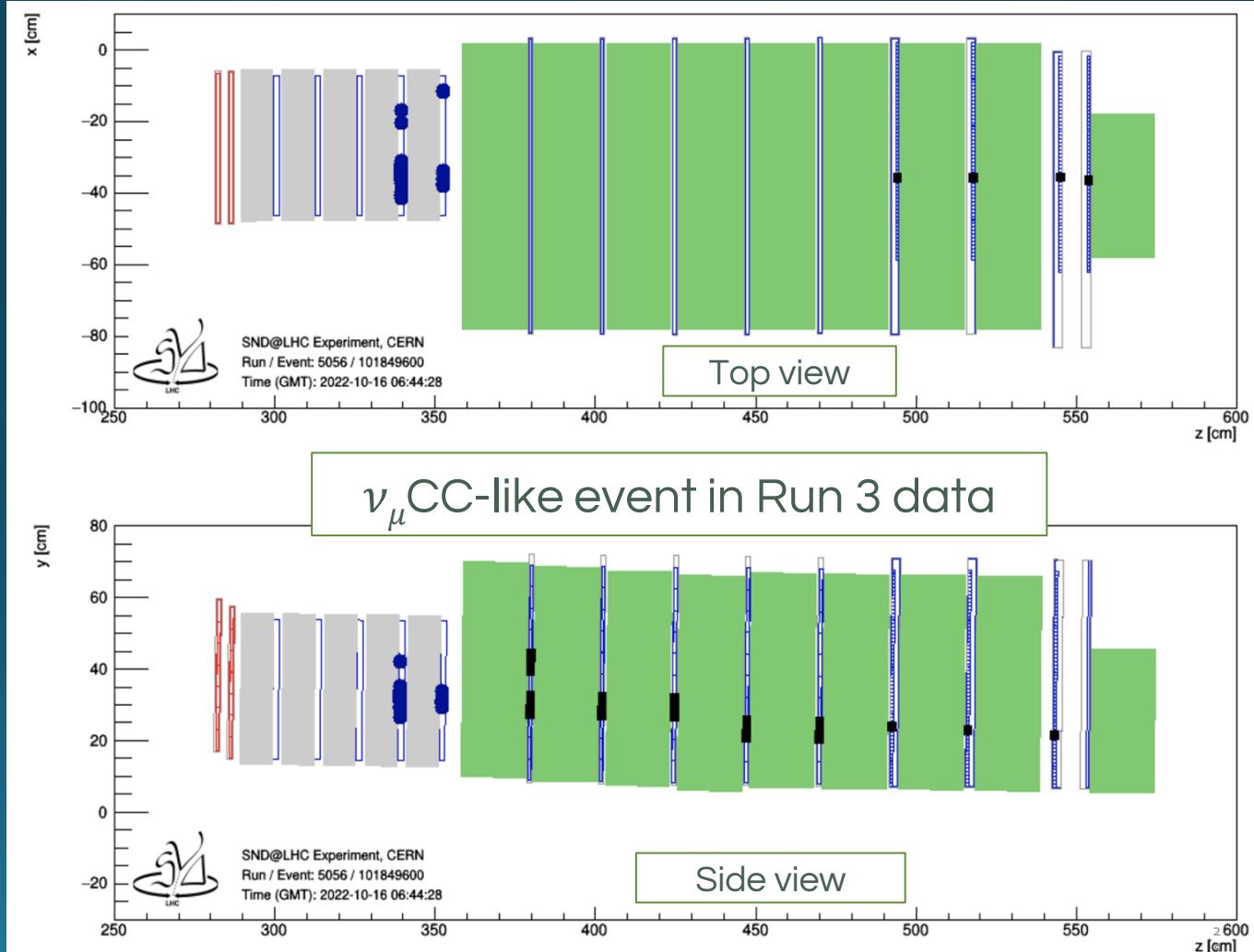


NEUTRINO IDENTIFICATION WITH ELECTRONIC DETECTORS



SND@LHC PRELIMINARY

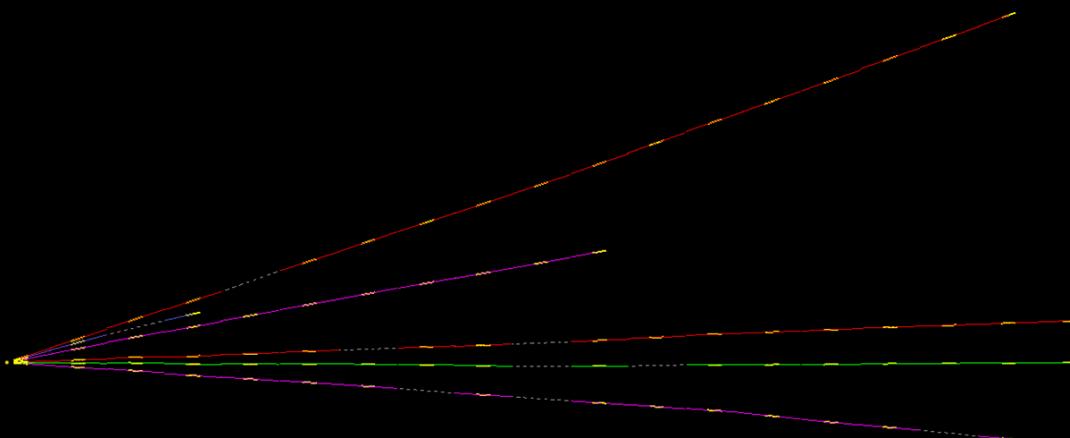
- Analysis of full 2022 data set ($\sim 40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)
 - $\sim 10^{10}$ events
- Signal selection based on topological and calorimetric information
 - No activity in veto or first SciFi station
 - Event does not start in last SciFi station
 - Large activity in calorimeters
 - Tight fiducial volume in target center
 - Event corresponds to IP1 colliding bunch
 - Event is isolated in time from previous and following event
- Identification a few ν_μ CC-like
- Detailed estimation of background performed



VERTEX SEARCH IN EMULSION DATA

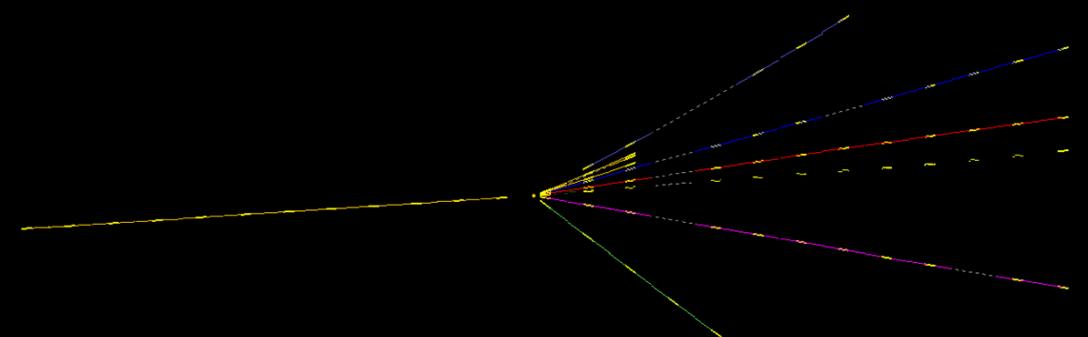


- Neutral vertex

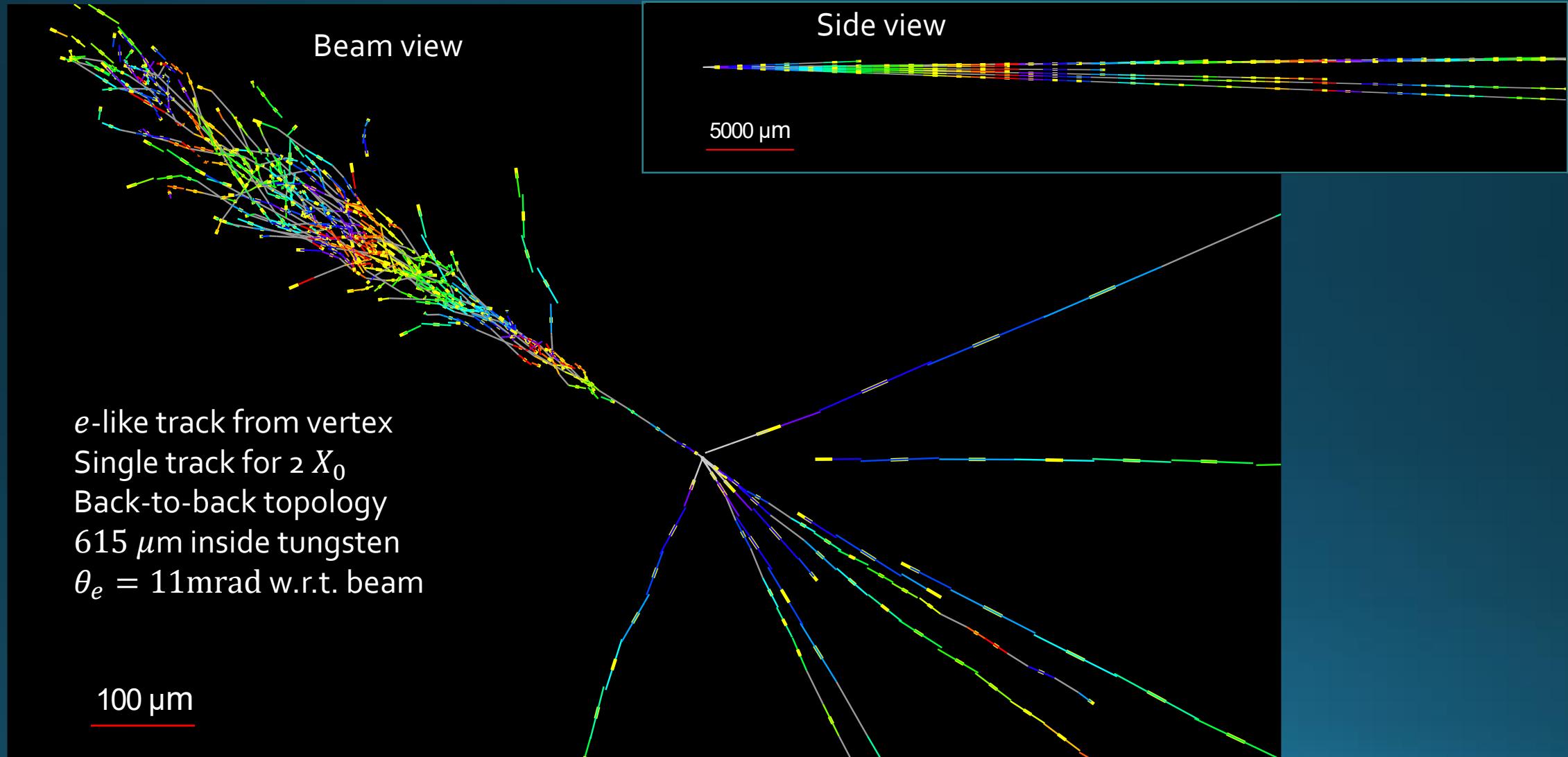


Note: there are more hadron interactions than neutrino interactions

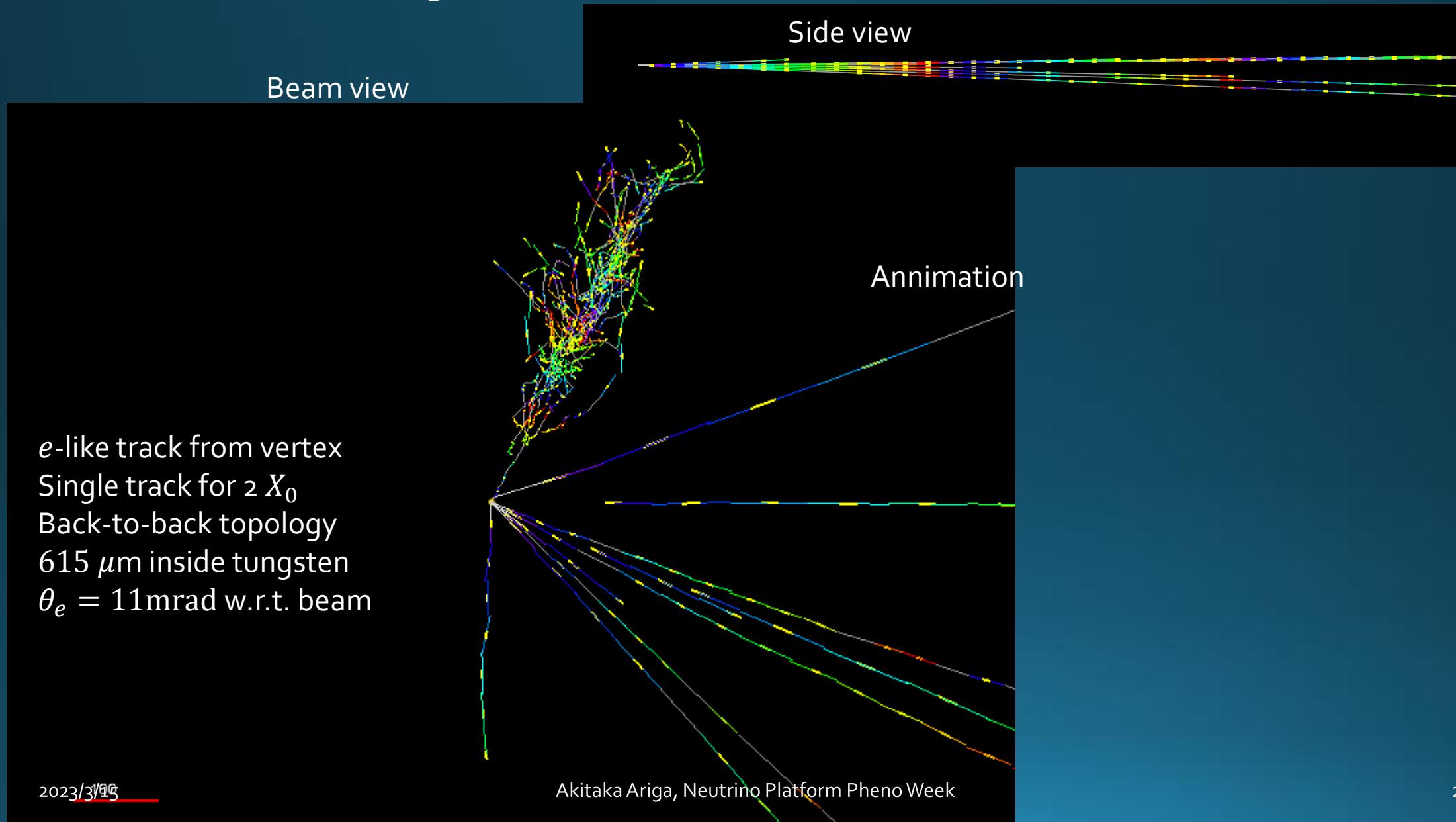
- Charged vertex



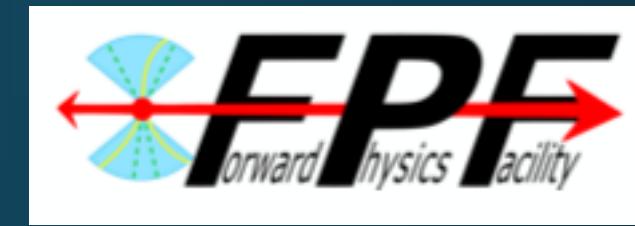
Observed ν_e candidate in FASER ν



Observed ν_e candidate in FASER ν



Forward Physics Facility (*FPF*) at the HL-LHC



FPF White Paper (2022/3)

<http://arxiv.org/abs/2203.05090>

FPF 5th workshop (2022/11)

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1196506/>

FPF Facility studies (2023/3)

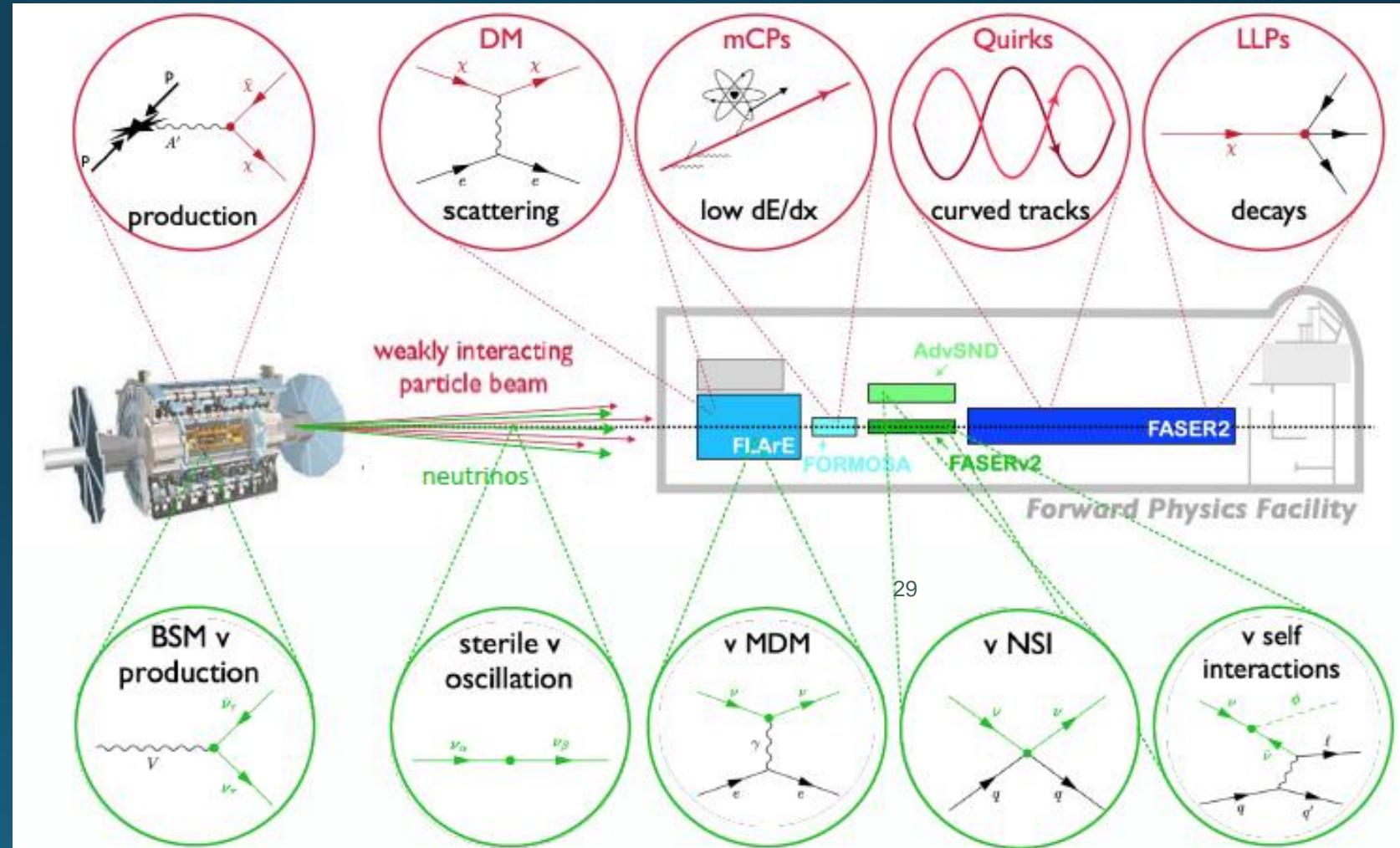
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BSM particles can be detected in various ways

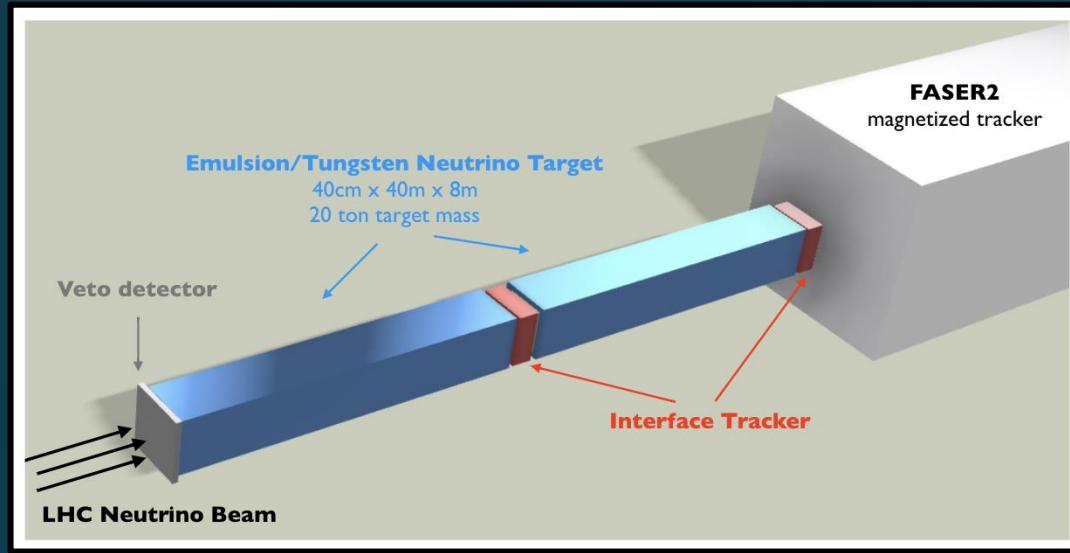
- Giving access to wide range of models

Neutrinos can be used to search for BSM effects

- Production
- Propagation
- Interaction

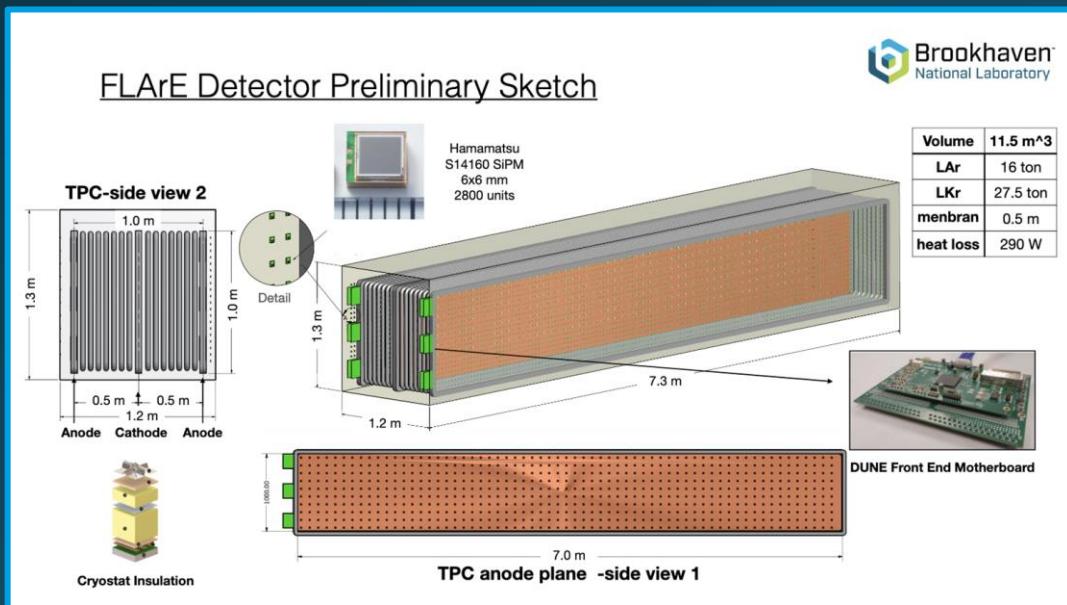


Neutrino Detector at the FPF

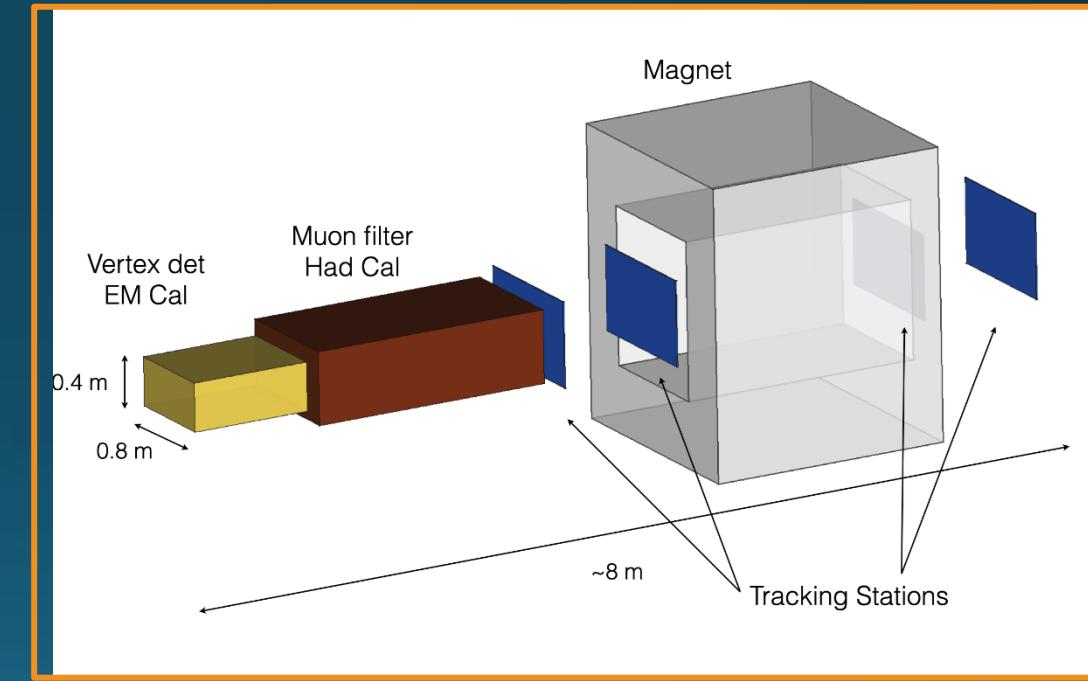


FASERv2

20 tons emulsion neutrino detector
followed by FASER spectrometer



FLArE
liquid noble gas detector



AdvSND

electronic detector
near detector at $\eta \sim 5$
far detector at FPF

Summary

- Neutrinos at the LHC, a new domain of particle physics research!
- The FASER and SND@LHC experiments: neutrinos and LLPs
 - First experiments to use “collider neutrinos”
 - Beam at new kinematical regime, including 3 flavors
 - Unique playground for neutrino, flavor, QCD, cosmic-ray physics
- Detection of neutrinos was demonstrated with FASER ν pilot run in 2018
- 2 experiments are taking data! First results show an excellent performance of detector. Neutrino observation will be firmly established soon!
 - 40 fb $^{-1}$ collected in 2022, expected to correct 250 fb $^{-1}$
- Future projects (FPF) at the HL-LHC are under discussion
 - Strong and broad physics motivation with significant interest from the community
 - We invite people from neutrino and wider fields!

Backup



FASER Collaboration

74 collaborators, 21 institutions, 9 countries (as of Jan. 2022)



Publications on FASER/FASERnu

- Publications of the FASER Collaboration
 - FASER Letter of Intent at [CERN document server](#) and in [arXiv](#)
 - FASER Technical Proposal at [CERN document server](#) and in [arXiv](#)
 - FASER's Physics Reach for Long-Lived Particles in [Physical Review D](#) and in [arXiv](#)
 - Input to the European Strategy for Particle Physics Update in [arXiv](#)
 - Detecting and Studying High-Energy Collider Neutrinos with FASER at the LHC in [European Physical Journal C](#) and in [arXiv](#)
 - Technical Proposal of FASERv neutrino detector at [CERN document server](#) and in [arXiv](#)
 - First neutrino interaction candidates at the LHC in [arXiv](#)

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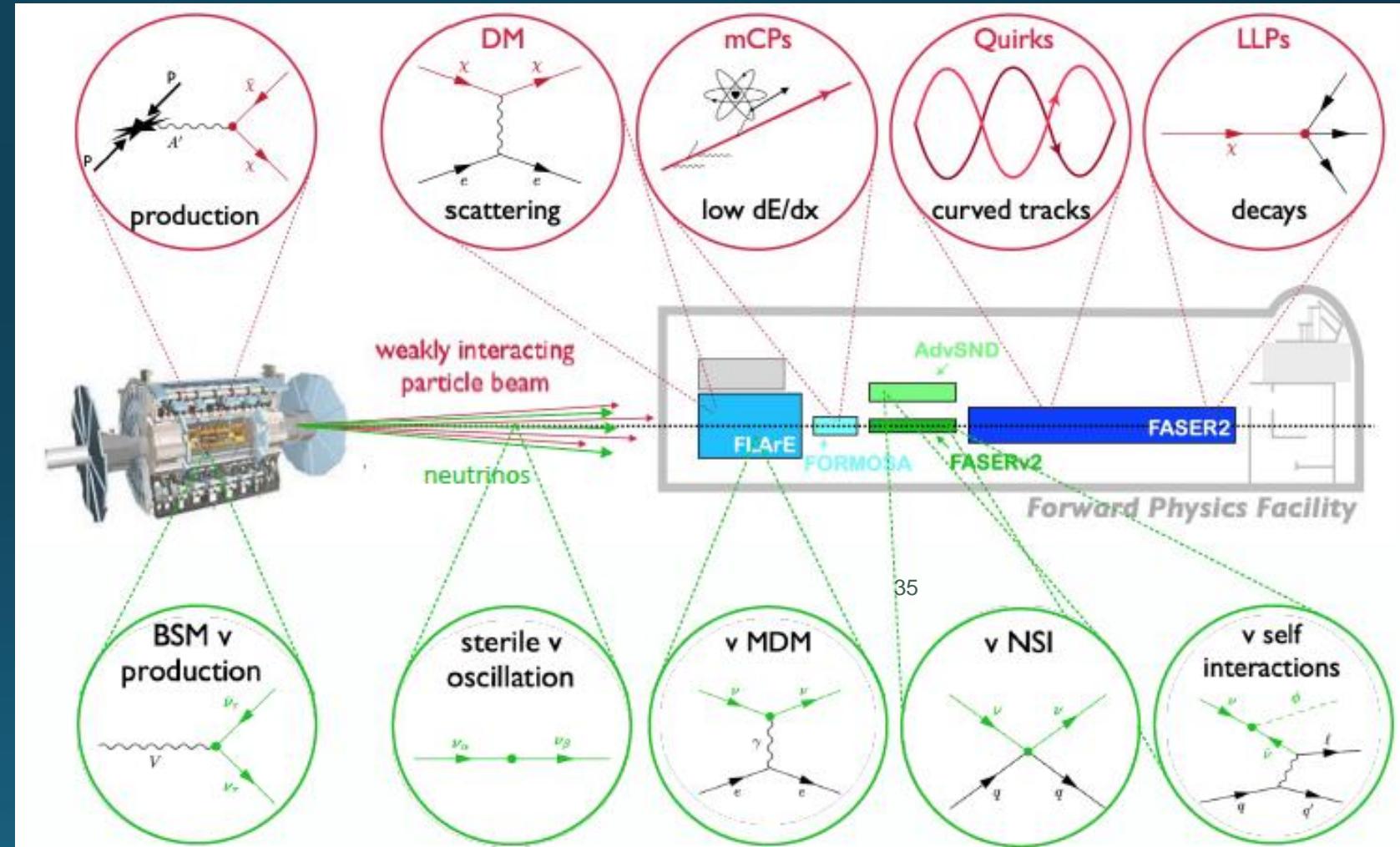


BSM particles can be detected in various ways

- Giving access to wide range of models

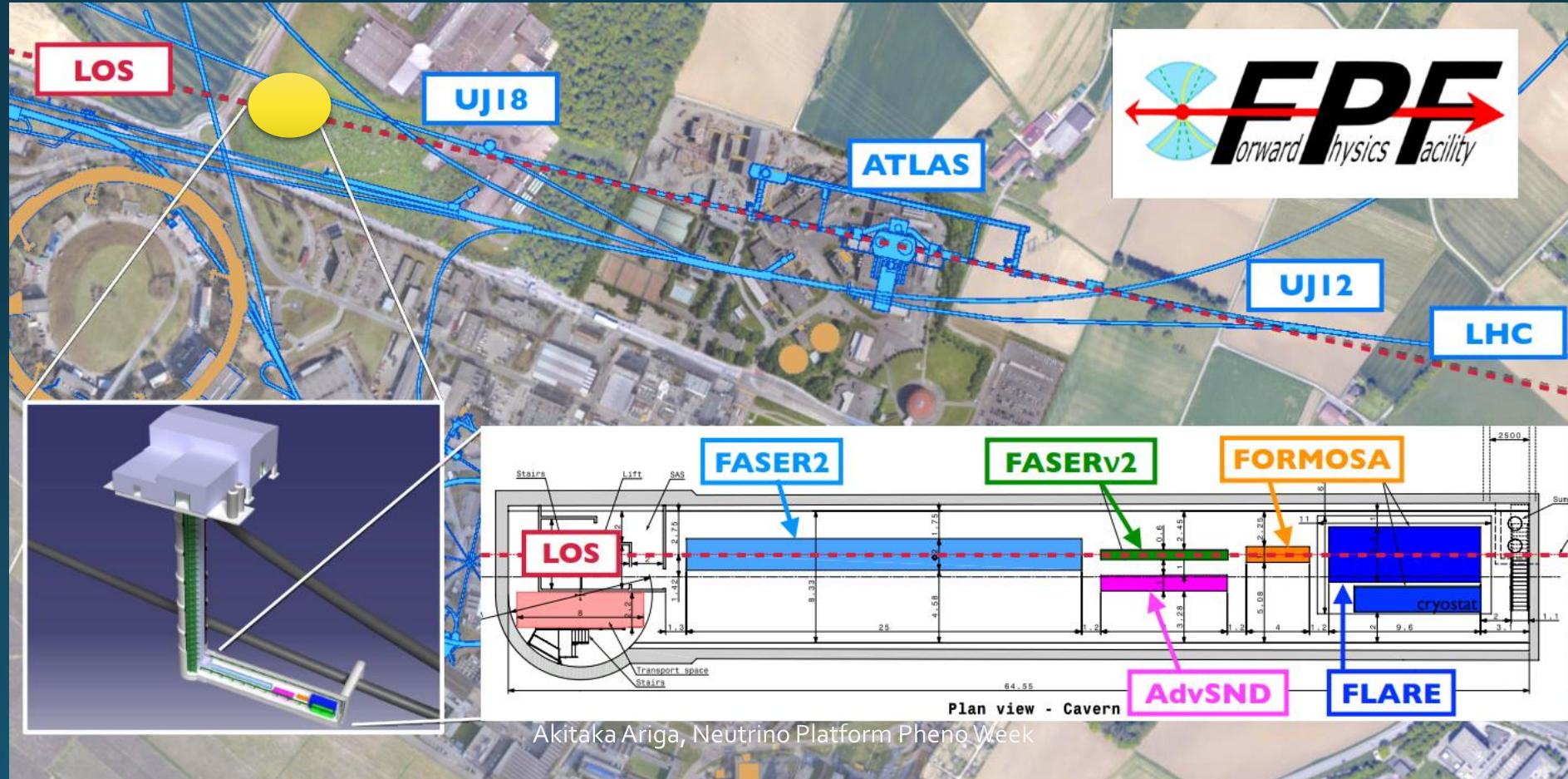
Neutrinos can be used to search for BSM effects

- Production
- Propagation
- Interaction

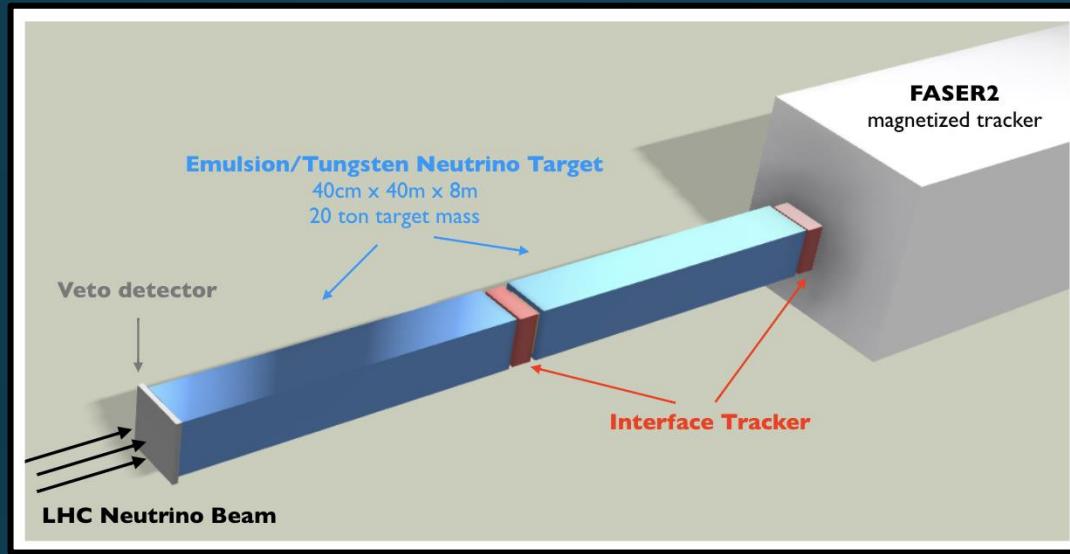


Forward Physics Facility (*FPF*) at the HL-LHC

- FPF White Paper (2022/3, 429 pages, 236 authors, 156 endorsers) <http://arxiv.org/abs/2203.05090>
- FPF 5th workshop (2022/11) <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1196506/>
- FPF Facility technical studies (2023/3): <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2851822>

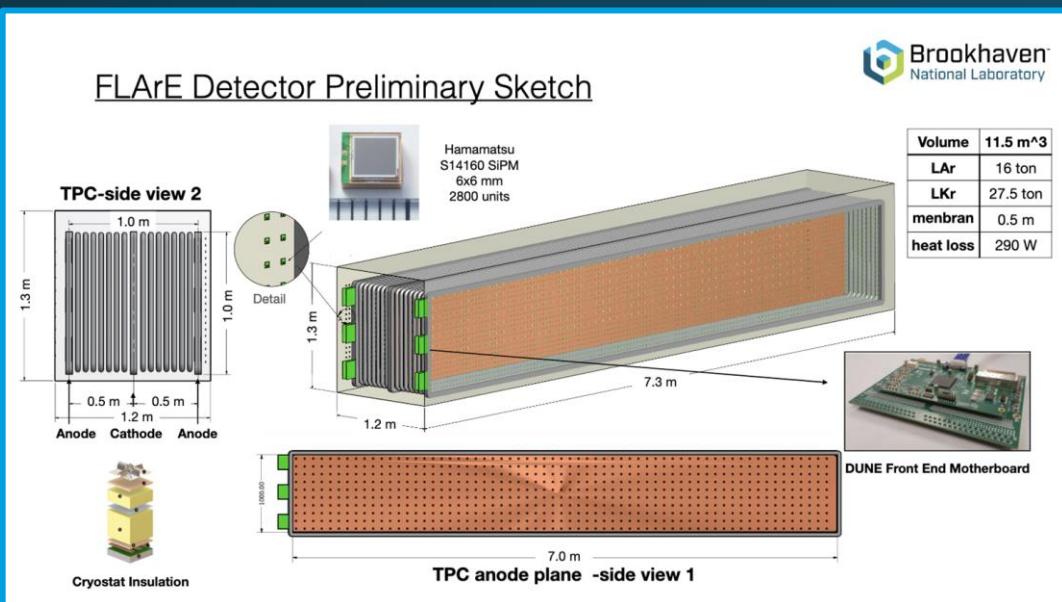


Neutrino Detector at the FPF

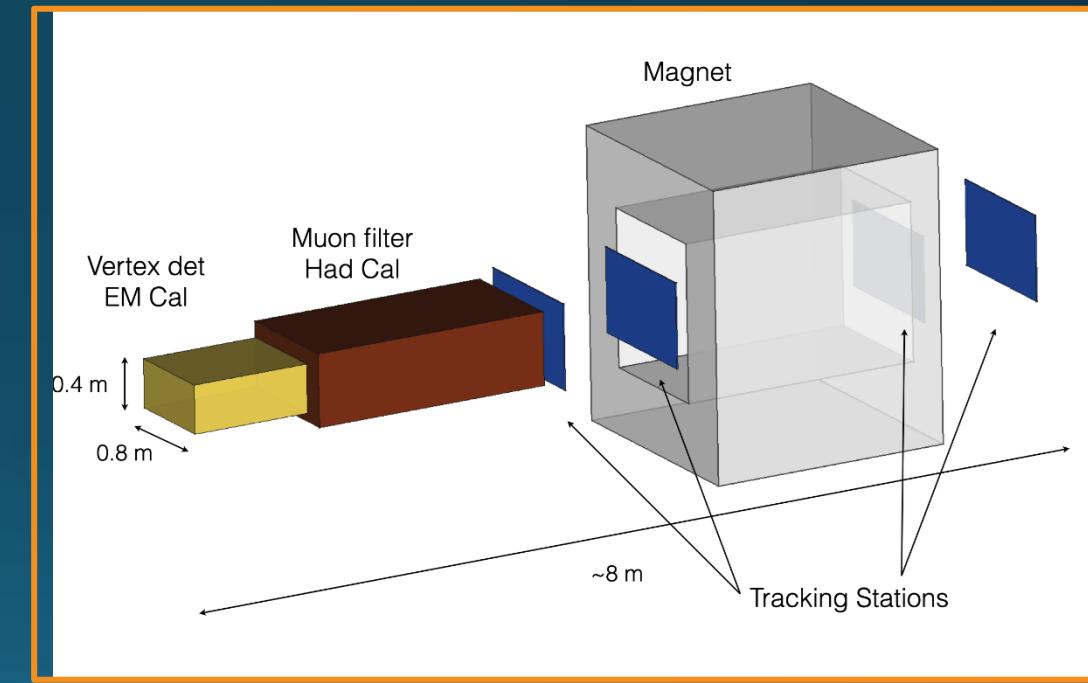


FASERv2

emulsion neutrino detector
followed by FASER spectrometer



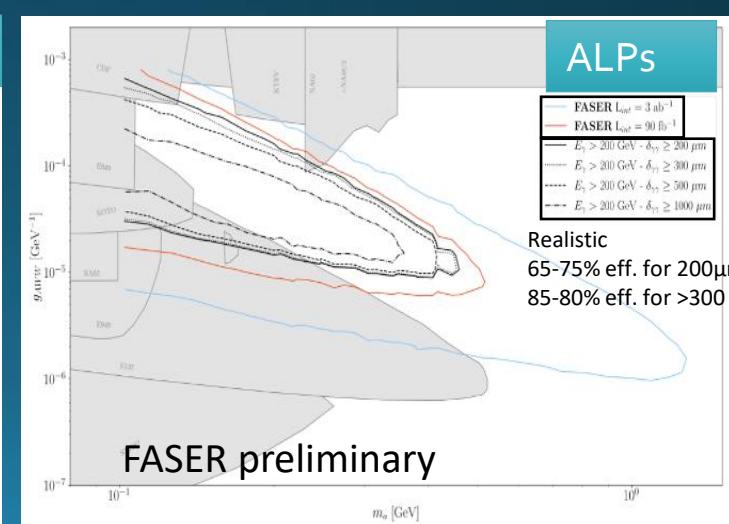
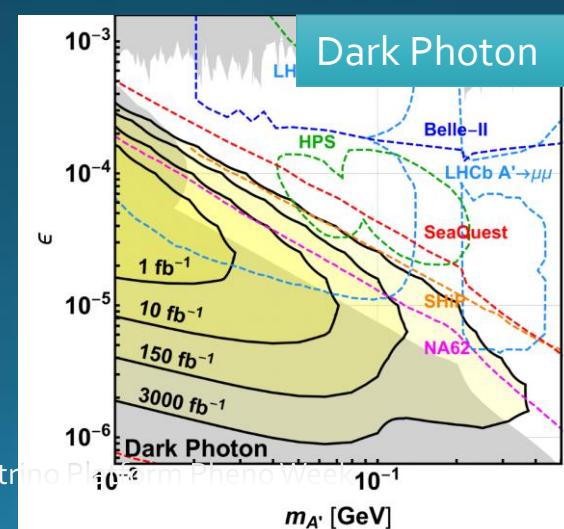
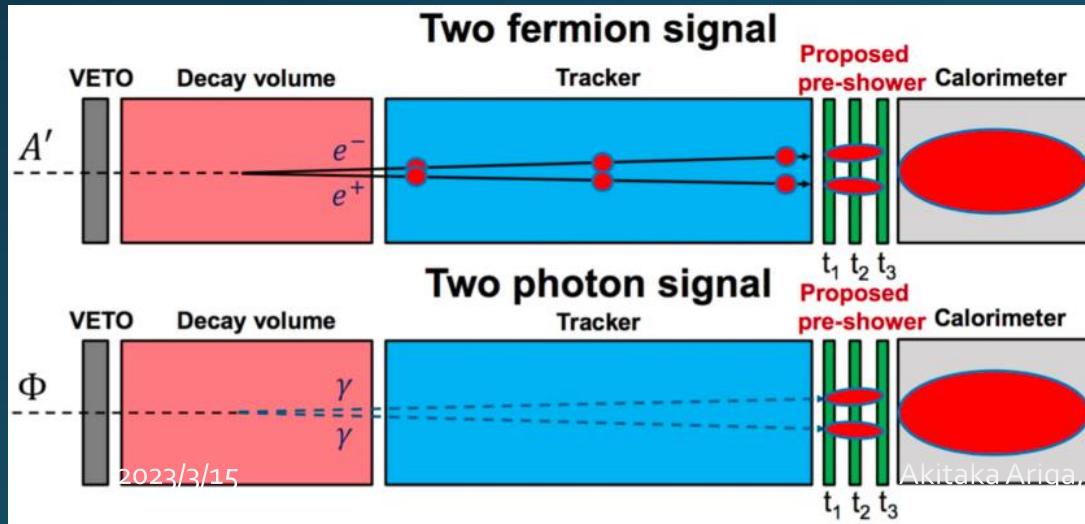
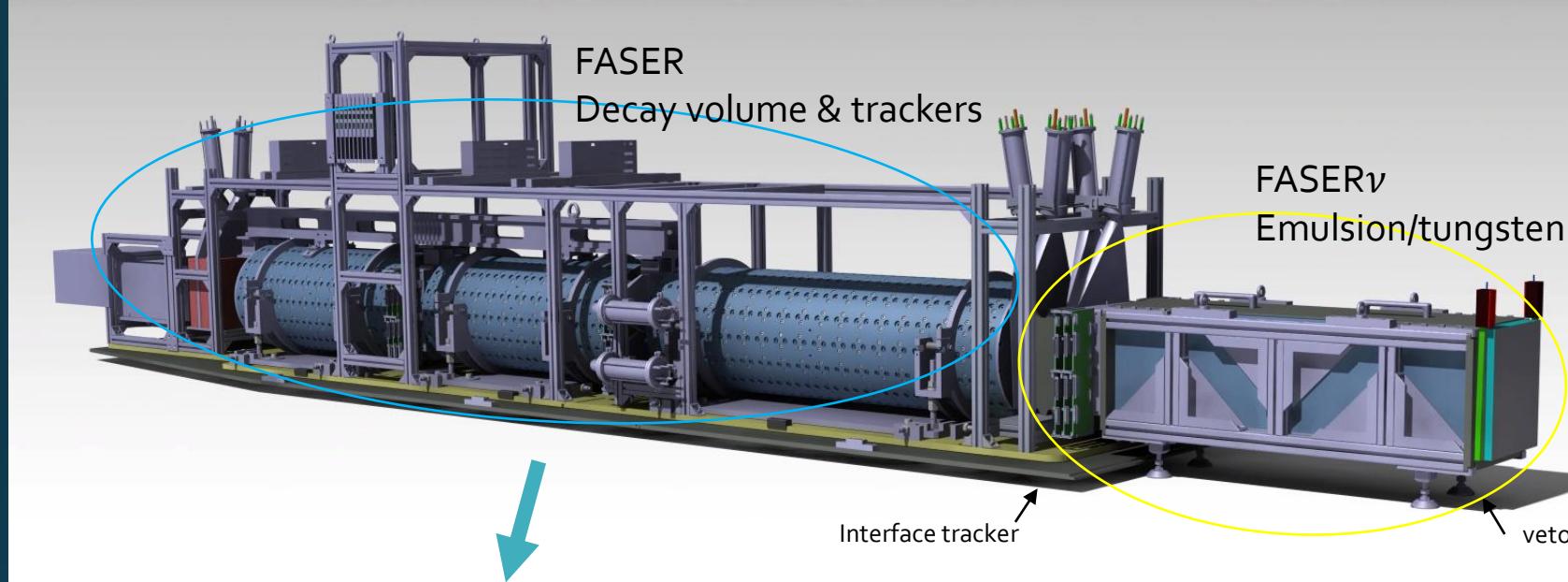
FLArE
liquid noble gas detector



AdvSND

electronic detector
near detector at $\eta \sim 5$
far detector at FPF

FASTER/FASTER ν detector



Neutrino Fluxes and Rates

Event rates at LHC neutrino experiments
estimated with two LO MC generators: SIBYLL / DPMJET

Detector			Number of CC Interactions		
Name	Mass	Coverage	$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$
FASER ν	1 ton	$\eta \gtrsim 8.5$	1.3k / 4.6k	6.1k / 9.1k	21 / 131
SND@LHC	800kg	$7 < \eta < 8.5$	180 / 500	1k / 1.3k	10 / 22
FASER ν 2	20 tons	$\eta \gtrsim 8$	178k / 668k	943k / 1.4M	2.3k / 20k
FLArE	10 tons	$\eta \gtrsim 7.5$	36k / 113k	203k / 268k	1.5k / 4k
AdvSND	2 tons	$7.2 \lesssim \eta \lesssim 9.2$	6.5k / 20k	41k / 53k	190 / 754

LHC Run3

HL-LHC

Large spread in current generator predictions

Challenge:

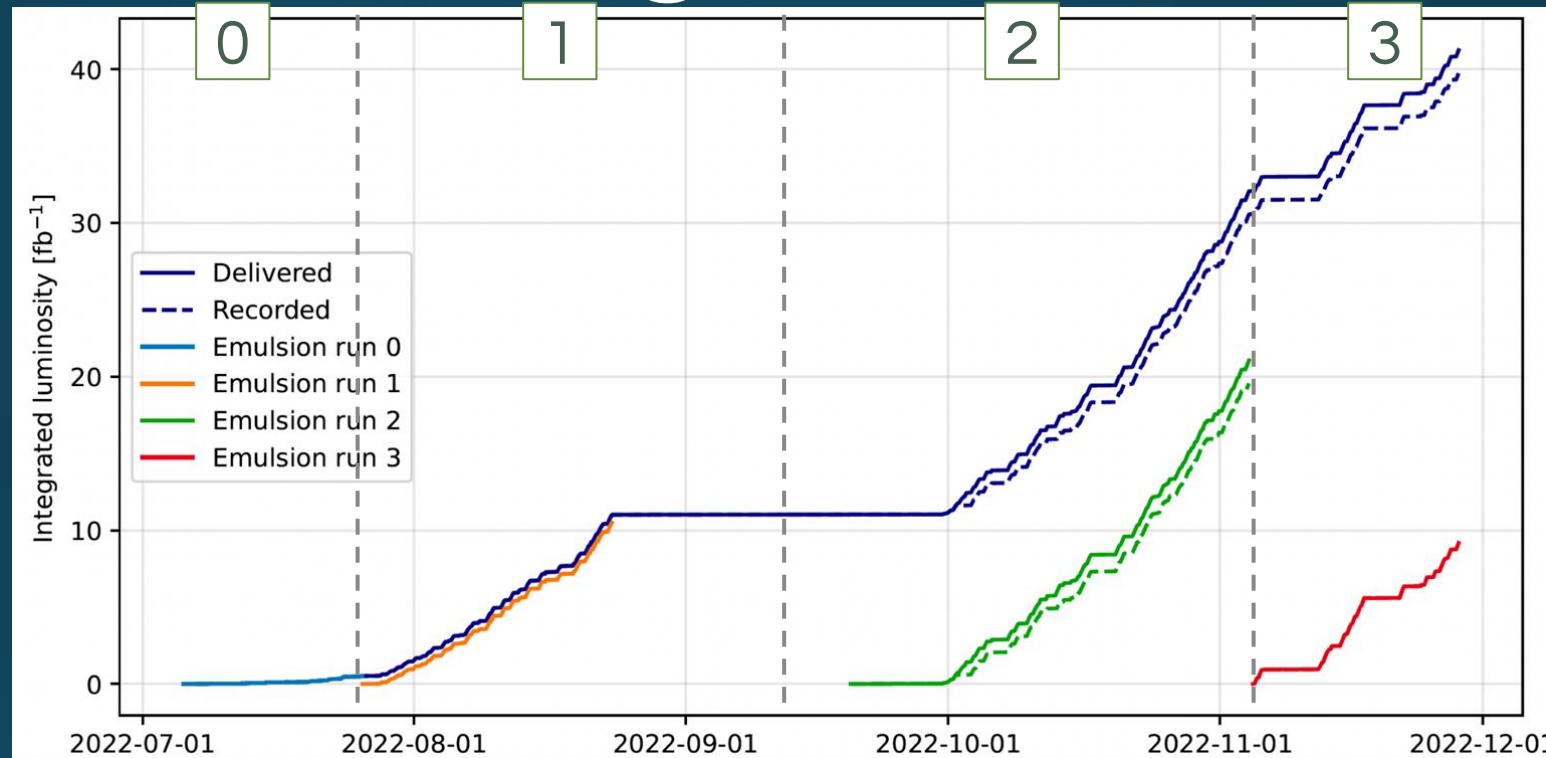
For neutrino physics measurement we need to
quantify and reduce neutrino flux uncertainties

Opportunity:

Forward neutrino flux measurement can help to
improve our understanding of underlying physics.

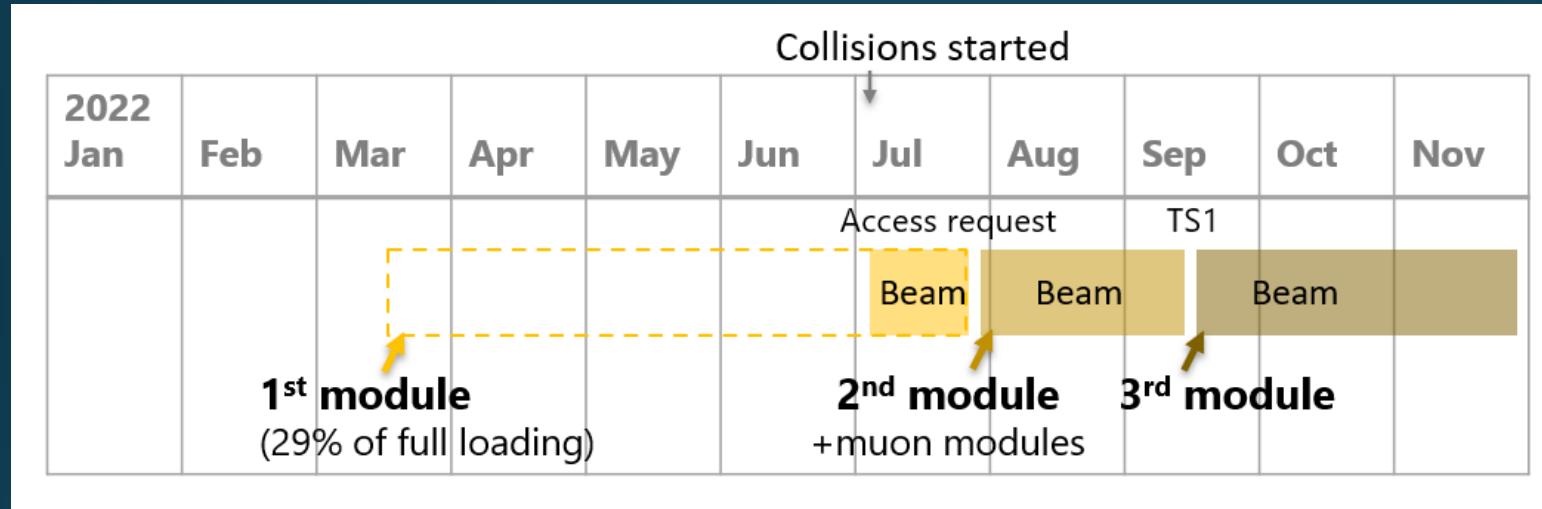
Data taken in Run 3

Run 3
Delivered:
 41.25 fb^{-1}
Recorded:
 39.74 fb^{-1} (96%)



2022												INSTRUMENTED TARGET MASS	INTEGRATED LUMINOSITY	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		
EMULSION RUN0													39 kg	0.5 fb^{-1}
EMULSION RUN1													807 kg	10.5 fb^{-1}
EMULSION RUN2													784 kg	21.1 fb^{-1}
EMULSION RUN3													792 kg	9.2 fb^{-1}

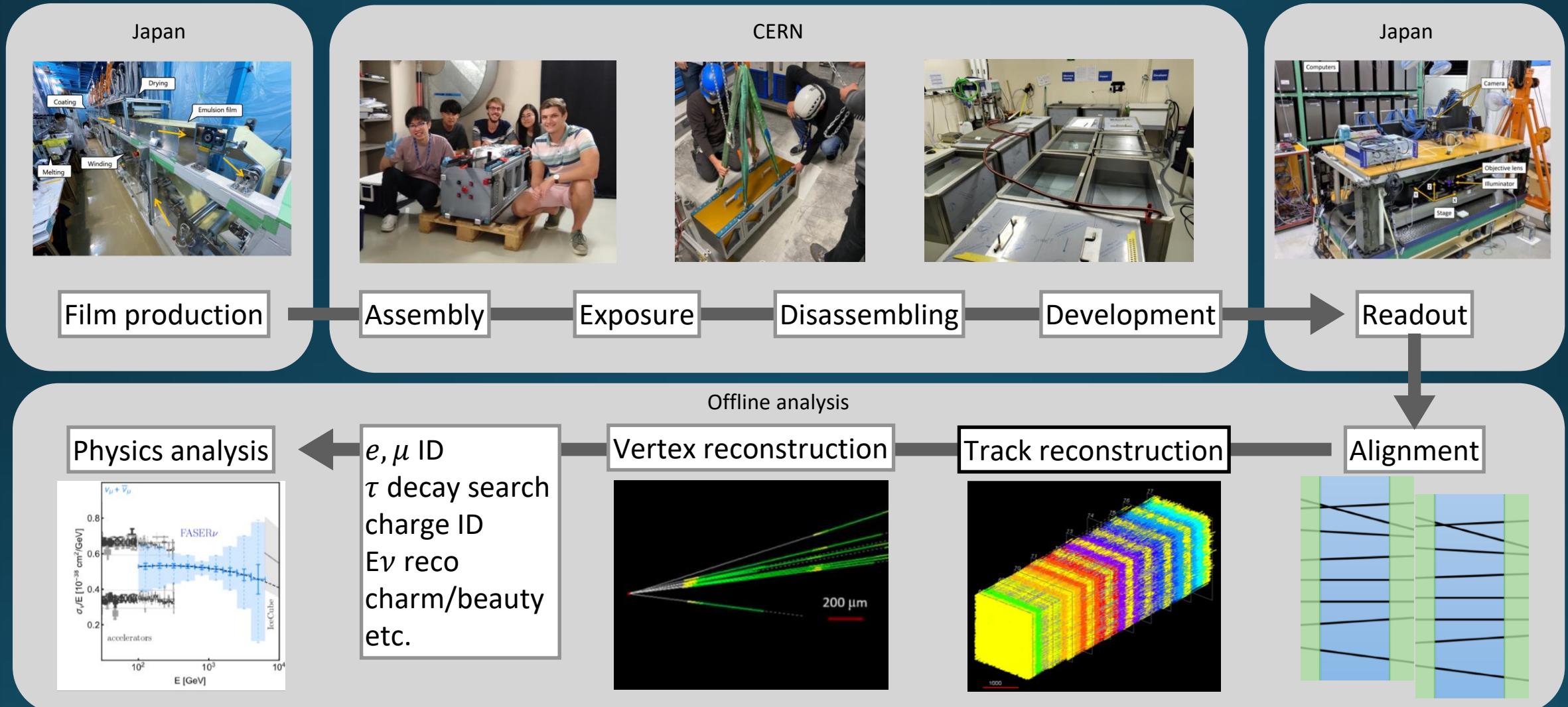
FASER ν 2022 runs



		Integrated luminosity per module (fb ⁻¹)	N ν int. expected
2022 1 st module	Mar 15 – Jul 26	0.5	~7
2022 2 nd module	Jul 26 – Sep 13	10.6	~530
2022 3 rd module	Sep 13 – Nov 29	(~30)	(~1500)

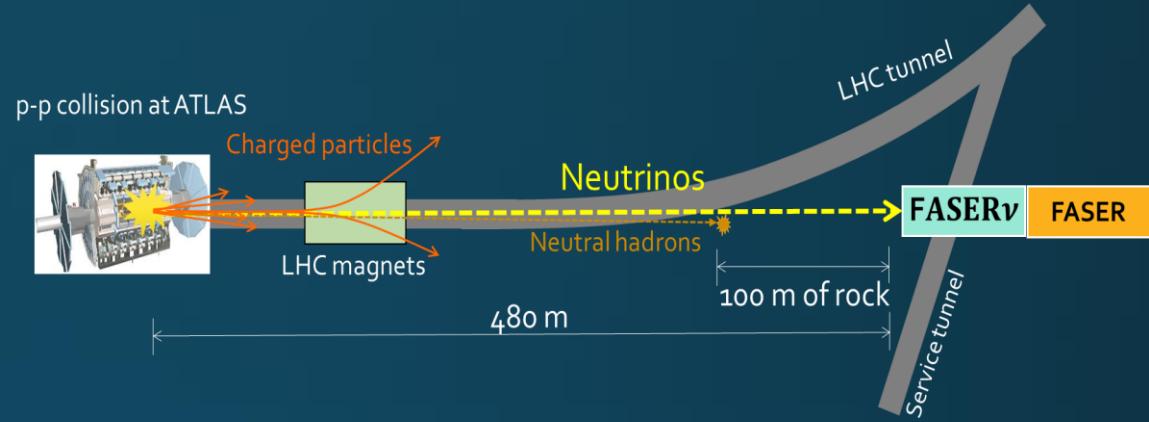
based on "F. Kling and L.J. Nevay,
Forward Neutrino Fluxes at the LHC,
Phys. Rev. D 104, 113008"

FASER ν steps

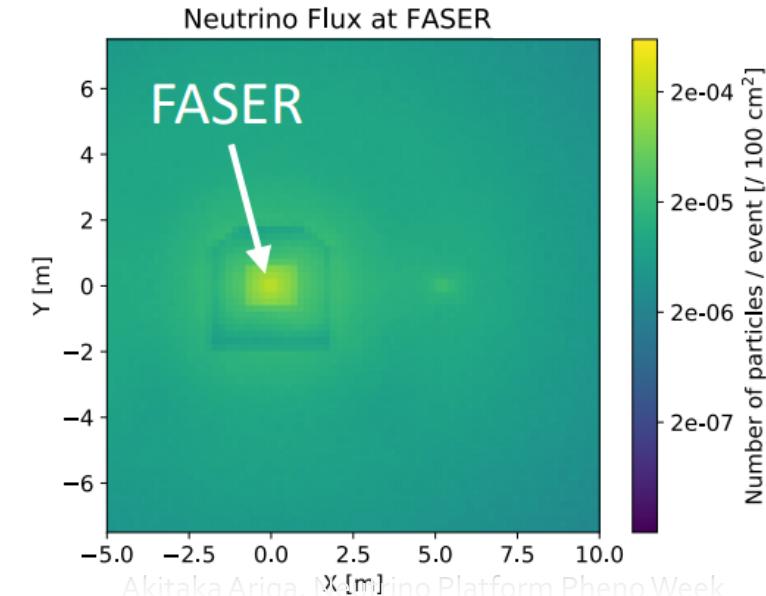
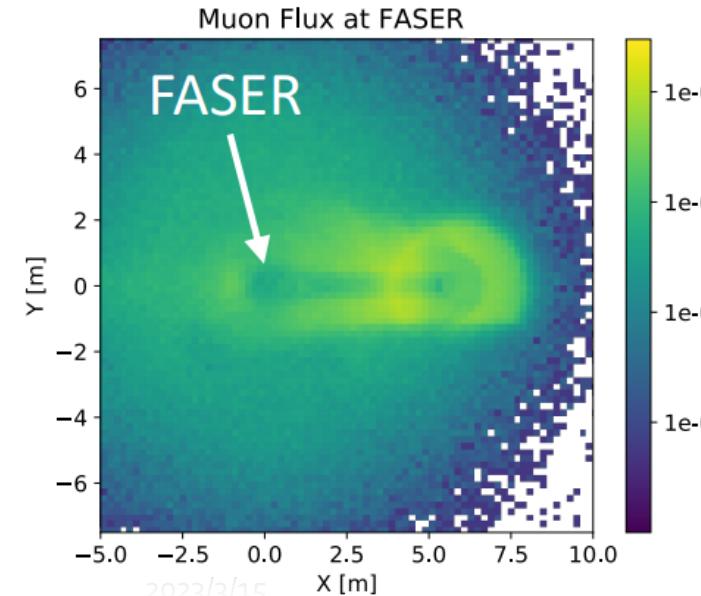


Particle fluence at the site

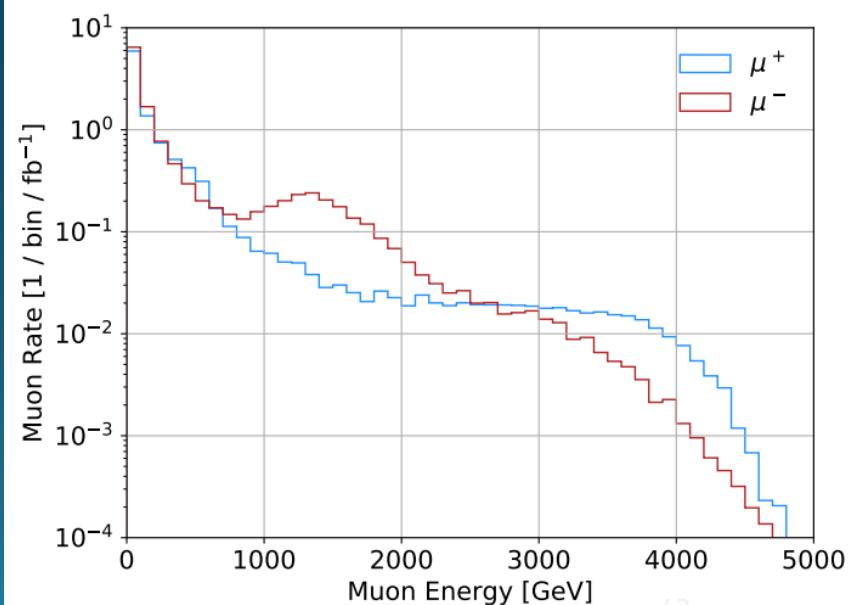
- Crucial for both neutrinos and LLP searches
- Simulation through the LHC infrastructures by FLUKA and BDSim
- Minimum muons, maximum neutrinos

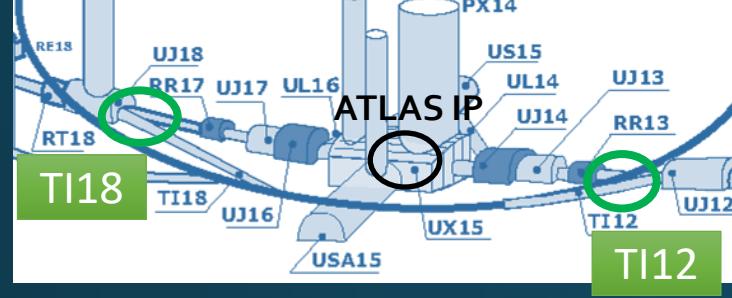


BDSim result for TI12, Lefebvre ICHEP2020



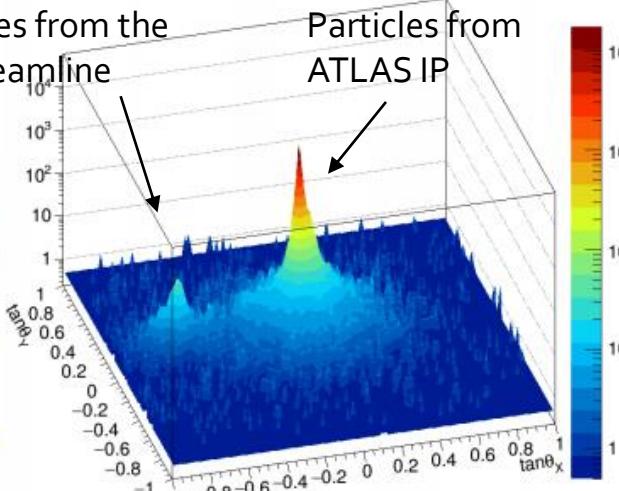
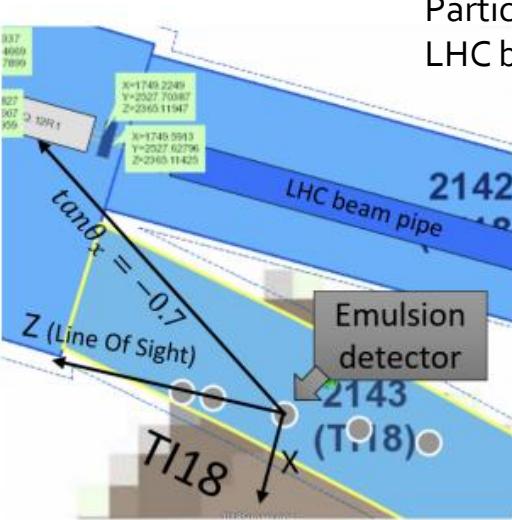
Muon energy (at 409m from IP, pilot run)
Simulated by CERN-STI group with FLUKA



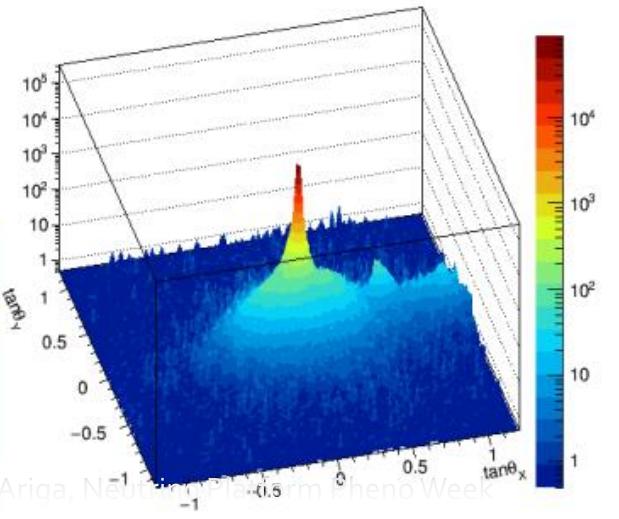
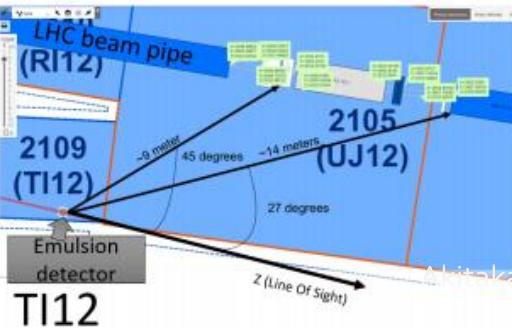


In situ measurements in 2018: Charged particle background

TI18



TI12

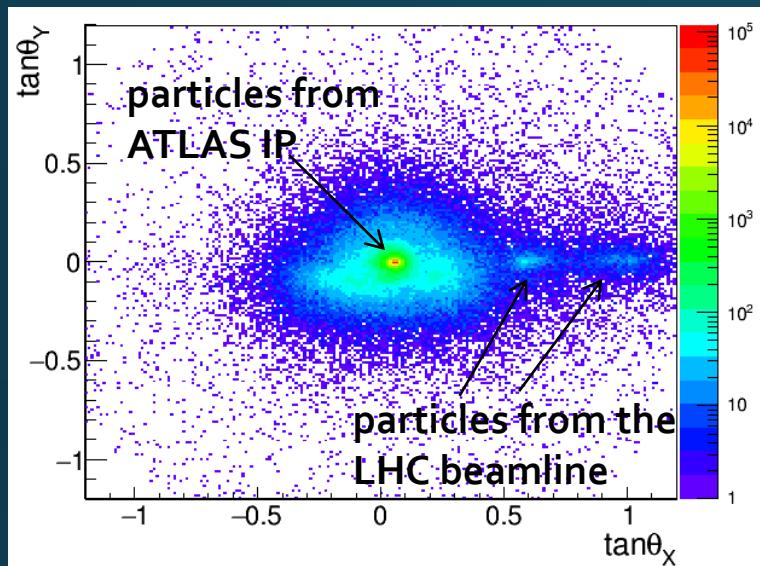


- Emulsion detectors were installed to investigate TI18 and TI12.
- **Low background was confirmed.**
- Few hadron tracks
- Consistent with the FLUKA prediction.

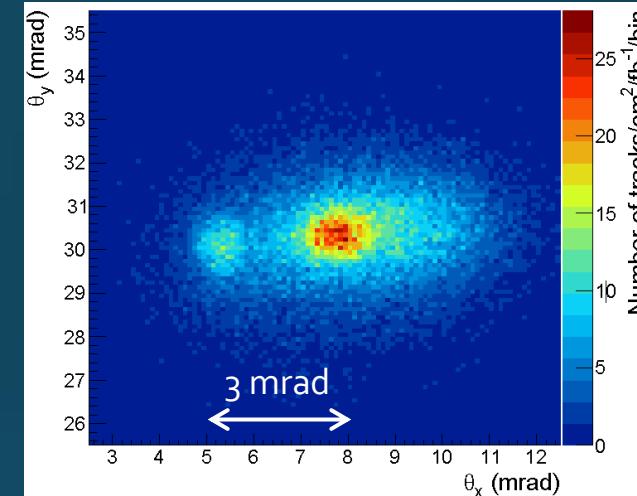
	Normalized flux (tracks/fb ⁻¹ /cm ²)
TI18	$(2.6 \pm 0.7) \times 10^4$
TI12	$(3.0 \pm 0.3) \times 10^4$

Emulsion detector can work at the actual environment!
(up to $\sim 10^6/\text{cm}^2 \simeq 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of data)

Angular distributions of beam backgrounds



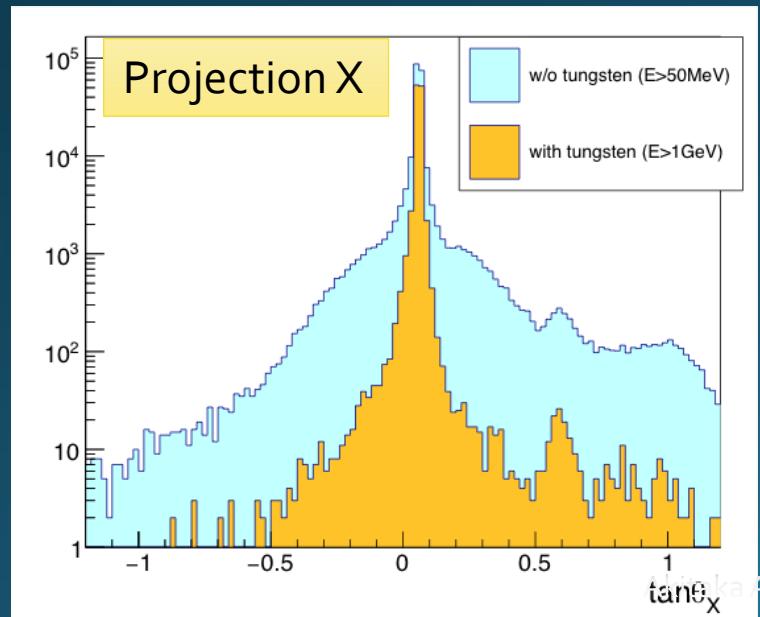
Close up to the main peak (Tl-18)



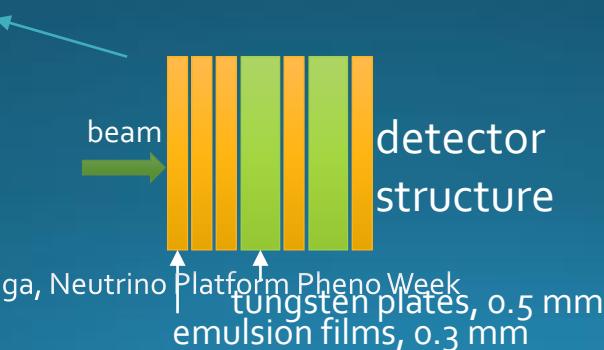
2 peak structure

$$\sigma = 0.6 \text{ mrad}$$

After 100 m of rock, it scatters only 0.6 mrad.
→ ~700 GeV



	Flux in main peak [fb/cm^2]
Tl18 data	$1.7 \pm 0.1 \times 10^4$
Tl12 data	$1.9 \pm 0.2 \times 10^4$
FLUKA MC	2.5×10^4 (uncertainty 50%)

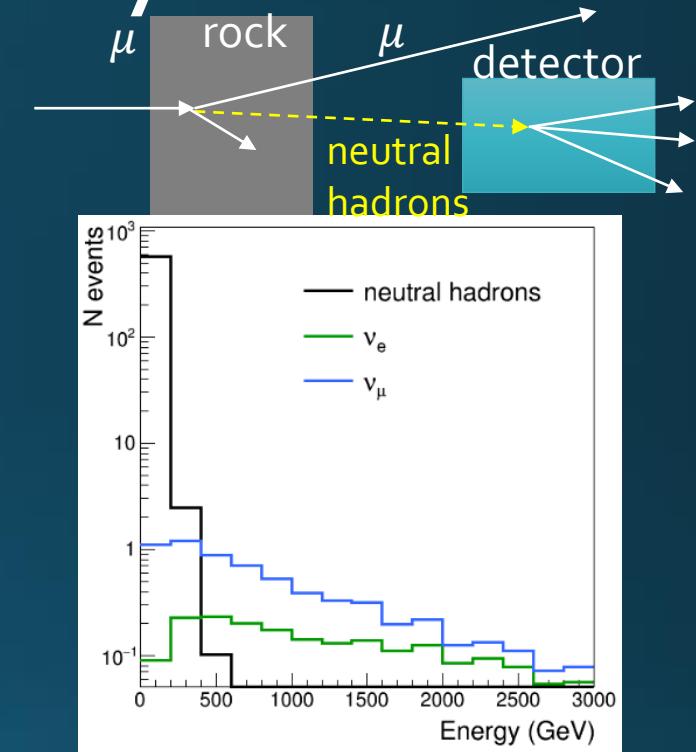


Data and the FLUKA prediction agrees within their uncertainties.

Background for neutrino analysis

- Muons rarely produce **neutral hadrons** in upstream rock or in detector, which can mimic neutrino interaction vertices
 - Probability of $O(10^{-5})$
- Pilot neutrino detector **doesn't have lepton ID**
 - Separation from neutral hadron BG (produced by muons) is challenging → tighter cuts
- The produced neutral hadrons are low energy → Discriminate by event topology

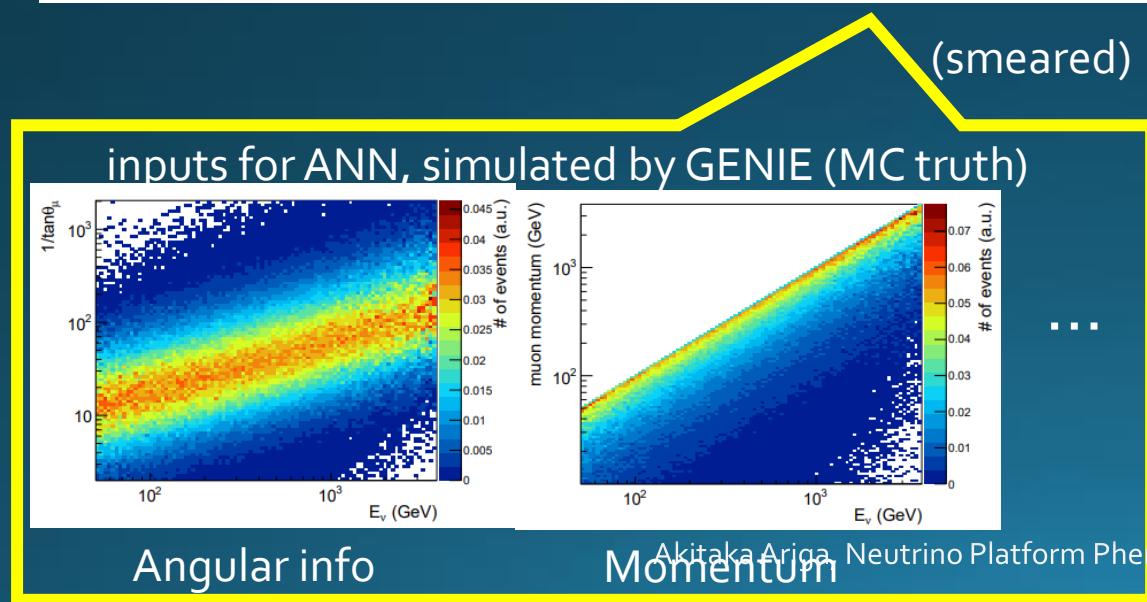
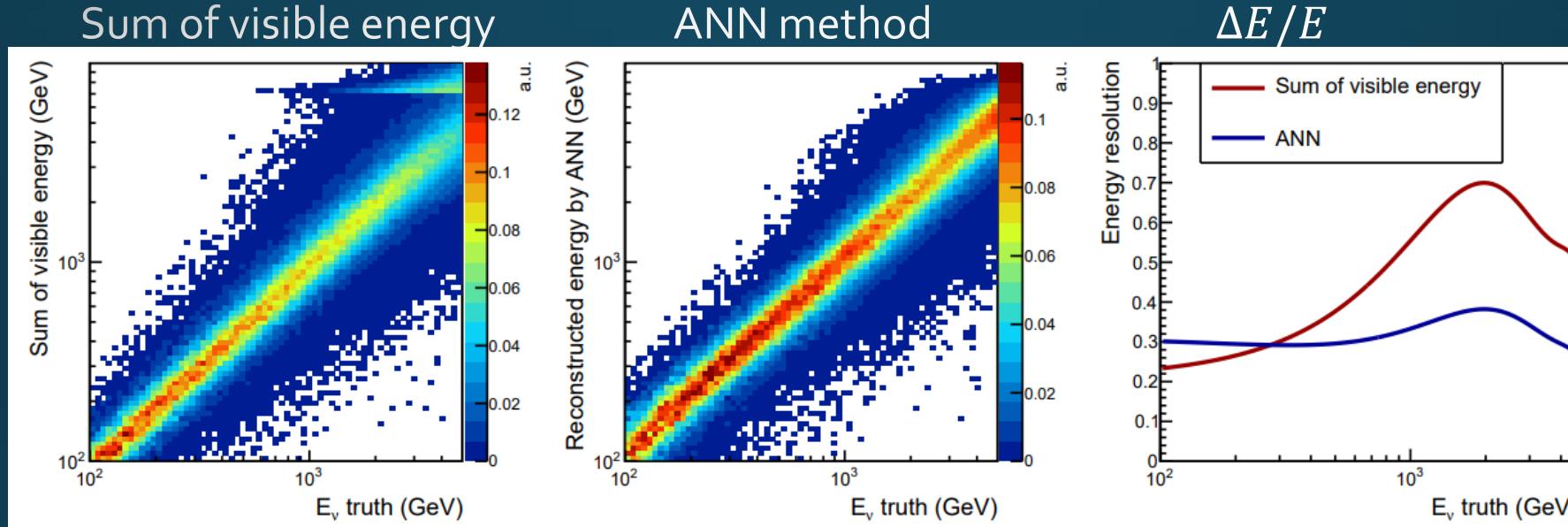
	Negative Muons	Positive Muons
K_L	3.3×10^{-5}	9.4×10^{-6}
K_S	8.0×10^{-6}	2.3×10^{-6}
n	2.6×10^{-5}	7.7×10^{-6}
\bar{n}	1.1×10^{-5}	3.2×10^{-6}
Λ	3.5×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-6}
$\bar{\Lambda}$	2.8×10^{-6}	8.7×10^{-7}



Vertex detection efficiency

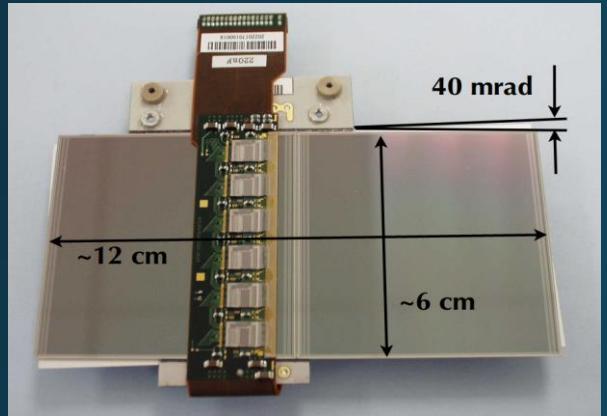
Signal	Background		
	FTFP_BERT	QGSP_BERT	
ν_e	0.490	K_L	0.017
$\bar{\nu}_e$	0.343	K_S	0.037
ν_μ	0.377	n	0.011
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.266	\bar{n}	0.013
ν_τ	0.454	Λ	0.020
$\bar{\nu}_\tau$	0.368	$\bar{\Lambda}$	0.018

Energy reconstruction (ν_μ CC)

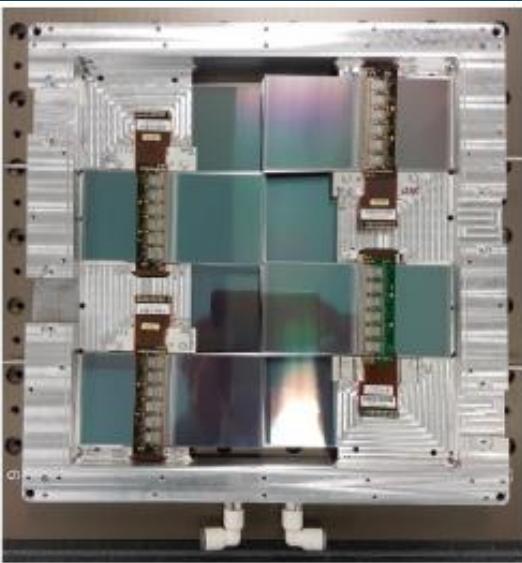


- Sum of visible energy (model independent) already gives a reasonable resolution
- ANN can solve problem at high energy and gives about 30% resolution at relevant energy range.

FASER detector components



SCT module from ATLAS, 80 μm silicon strip detector



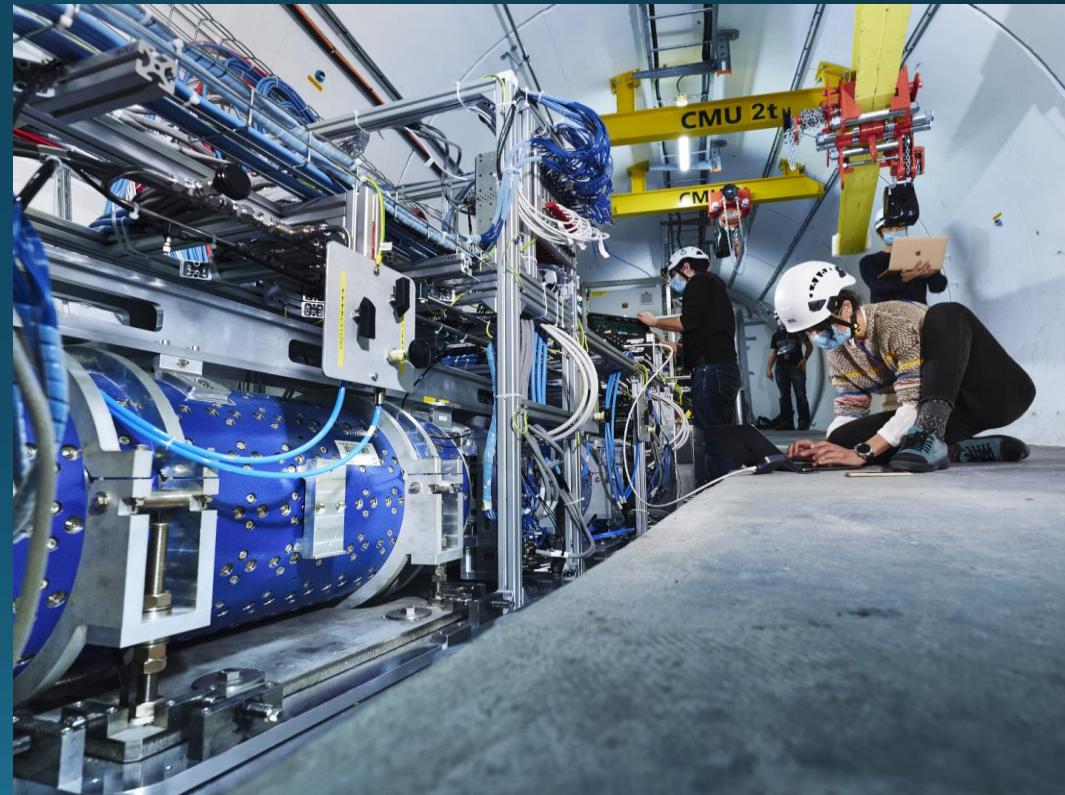
Tracking layer = 8 SCT modules



Calorimeter module from
LHCb
2023/3/15



Akitaka Ariga, Neutrino Platform Pheno Week
Scintillators

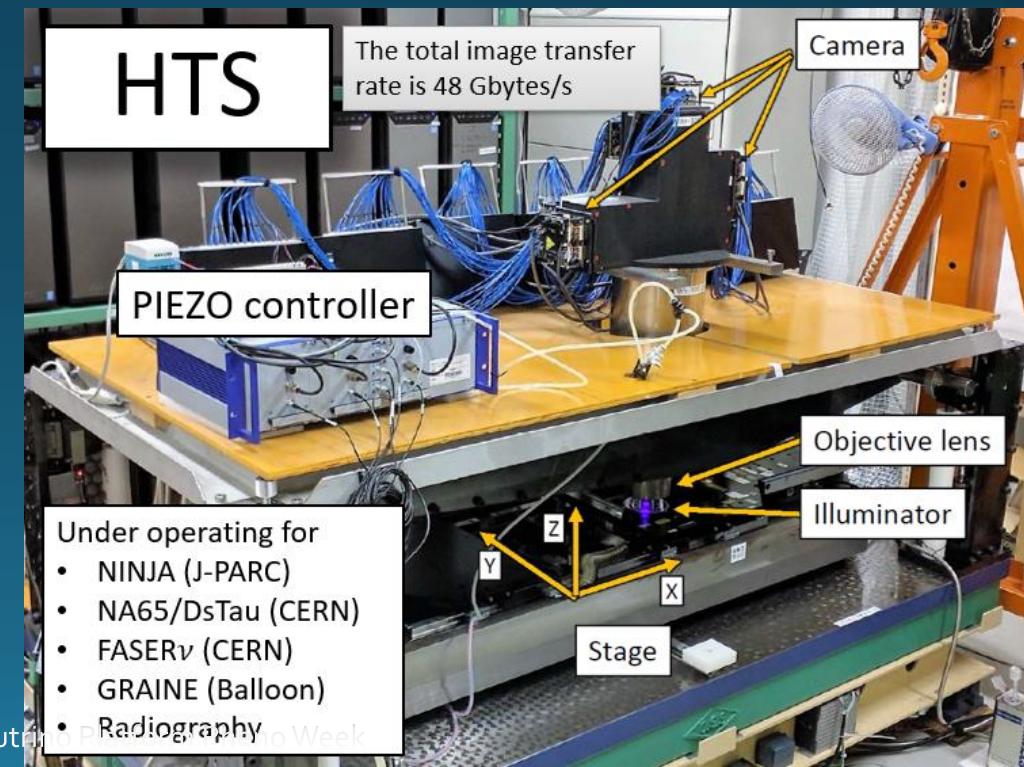
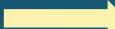


Emulsion detector technology

- Fast readout of emulsion films
 - Great progress in the readout speed, throughput of 48 GBytes/sec
 - ~100 times faster than OPERA
- Data readout for FASER will catch up with the irradiation at the LHC
 - 3 months irradiation at the LHC, followed by 3 months scanning for each module
 - 3 modules per year

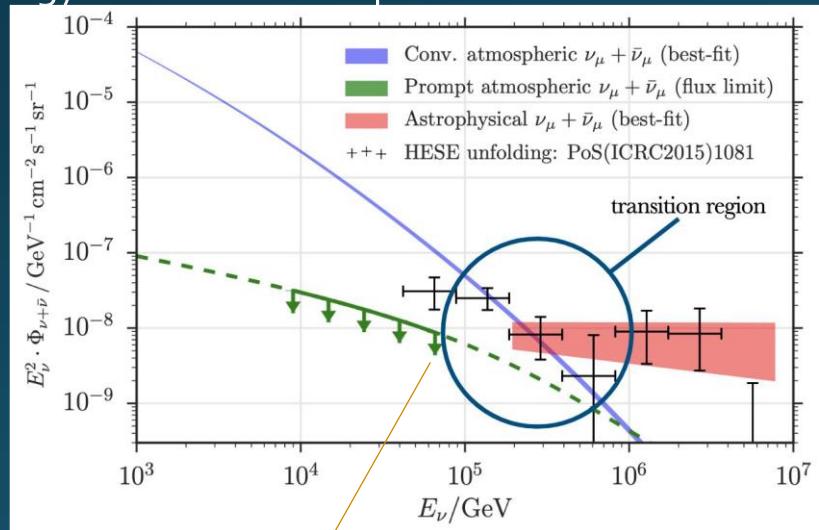
	Start year	Field of view (mm ²)	Readout speed (cm ² /h/layer)
S-UTS	2006	0.05	72
HTS-1	2015	25	4700
HTS-2	2021	50	25000

HTS paper: M. Yoshimoto, T. Nakano, R. Komatani, H. Kawahara, PTEP 10 (2017) 103H01.



Physics studies in the LHC Run 3 (4): Cosmic rays and neutrino

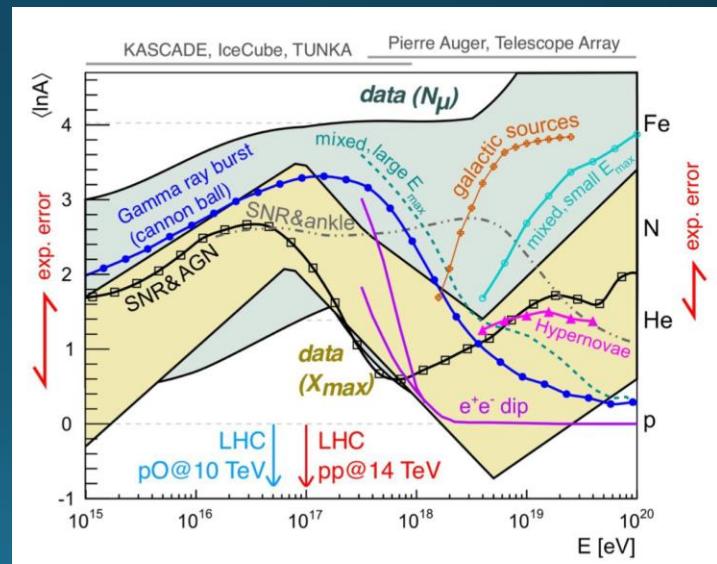
- In order for IceCube **to make precise measurements of the cosmic neutrino flux**, accelerator measurements of high energy and large rapidity charm production are needed.
- As $7+7\text{ TeV } p\text{-}p$ collision corresponds to 100 PeV proton interaction in fixed target mode, a direct **measurement of the prompt neutrino production at FASER}\nu** would provide important basic data for current and future high-energy neutrino telescopes.
- Muon problem in CR physics: cosmic ray experiments have reported an excess in the **number of muons** over expectations computed using extrapolations of hadronic interaction models tuned to LHC data at the few σ level. **New input from LHC is crucial to reproduce CR data consistently.**



prompt atmospheric neutrinos

2023/3/15

IceCube Collaboration,
Akitaka Ariga, Neutrino Platform Pheno Week
Astrophys. J. 833 (2016)

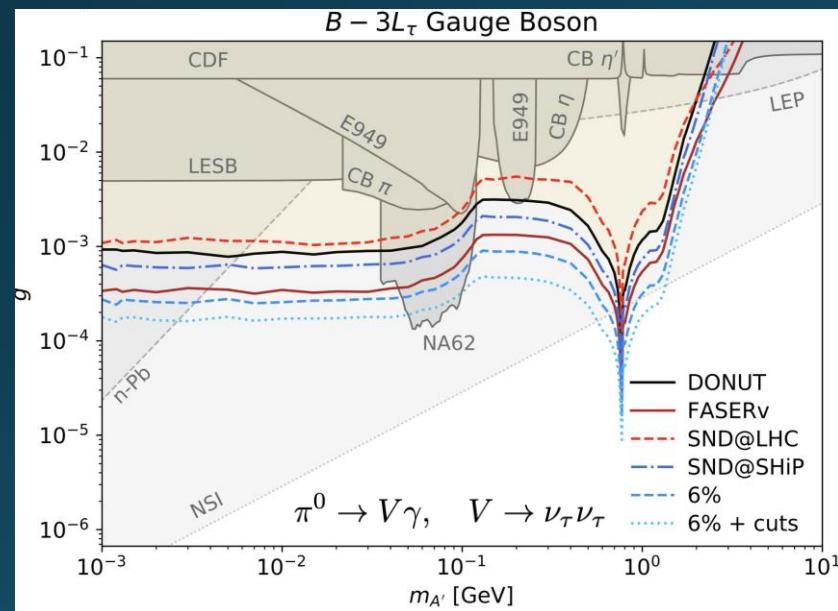


K.H. Kampert, M. Unger, Astropart. Phys. 35, 660 (2012),
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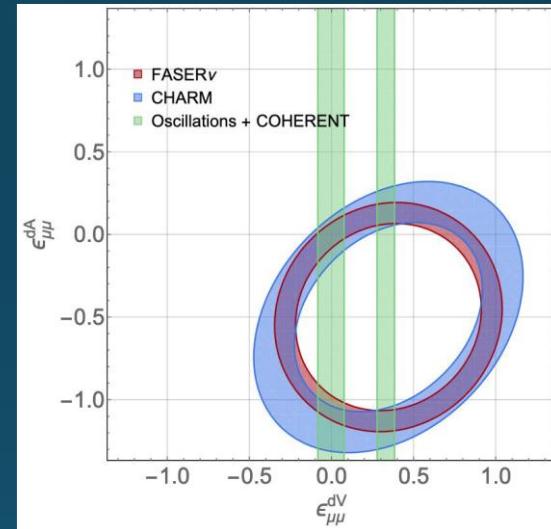
Physics studies in the LHC Run 3 (5): BSM Physics

- The tau neutrino flux is small in SM. A **new light weakly coupled gauge bosons** decaying into tau neutrinos could significantly enhance the tau neutrino flux.

F. Kling, Phys. Rev. D 102, 015007 (2020), arXiv:2005.03594



- NC measurements at FASERv could constrain **neutrino non-standard interactions** (NSI).



A. Ismail, R.M. Abraham, F. Kling, arXiv: 2012.10500

- Sterile neutrinos** with mass ~ 40 eV can cause oscillations at FASERv and the spectrum deformation may be seen.

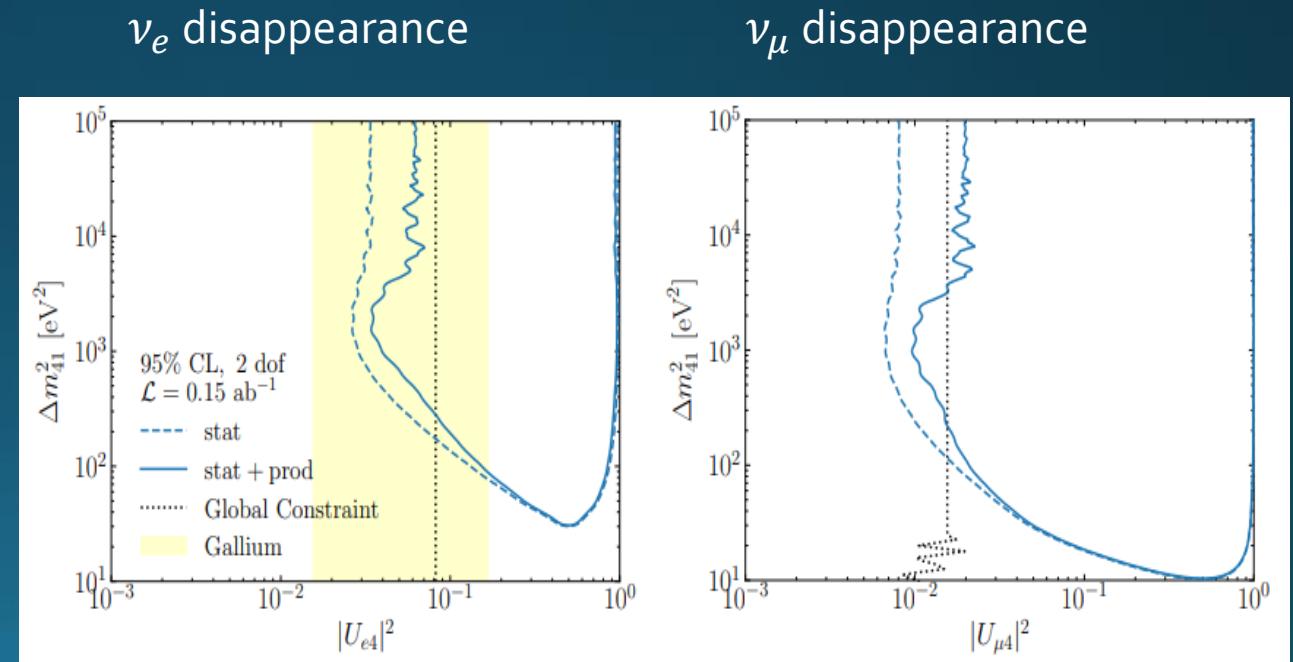
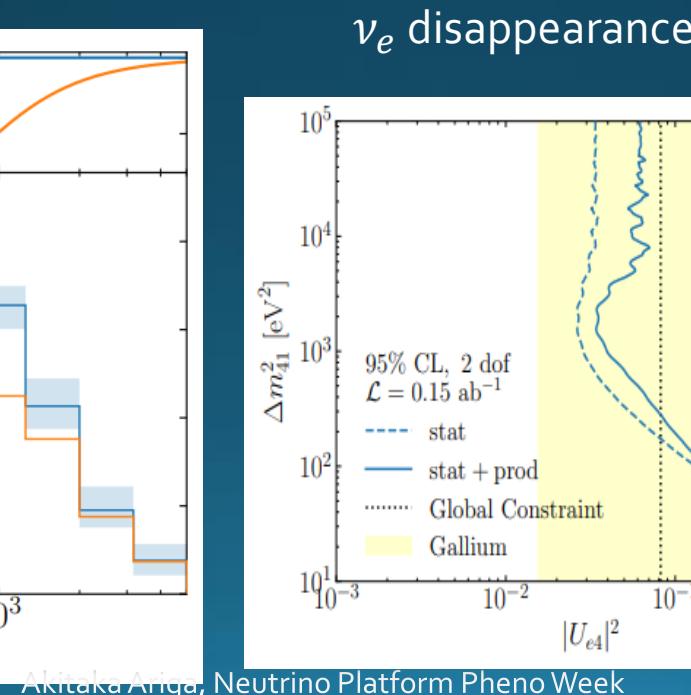
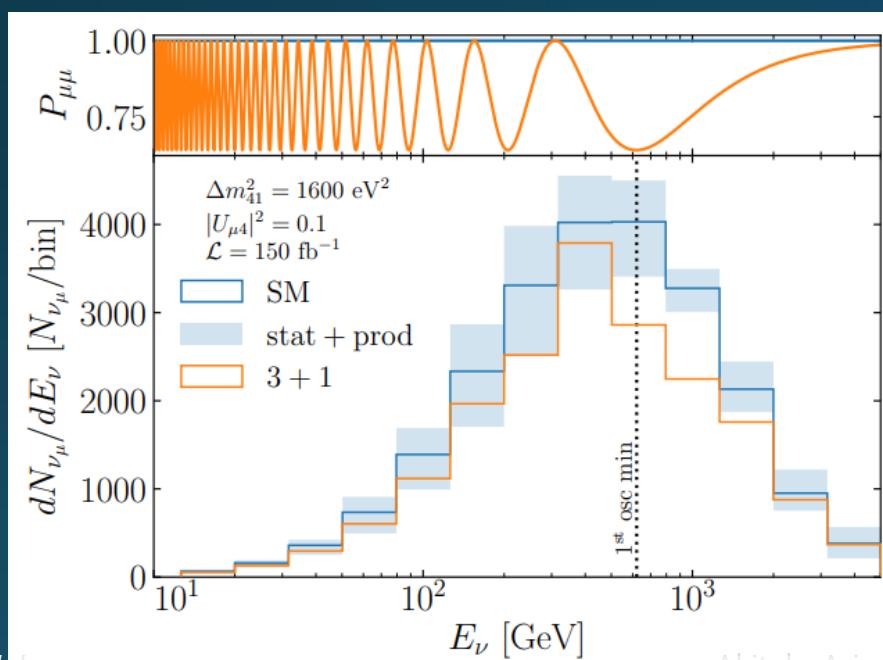
FASER Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020) 61, arXiv:1908.02310

- If DM is light, the LHC can produce an energetic and collimated DM beam towards FASERv. FASERv could also search for **DM scattering**.

B. Batell, J. Feng, S. Trojanowski, 2020, in preparation

Sterile neutrino oscillation

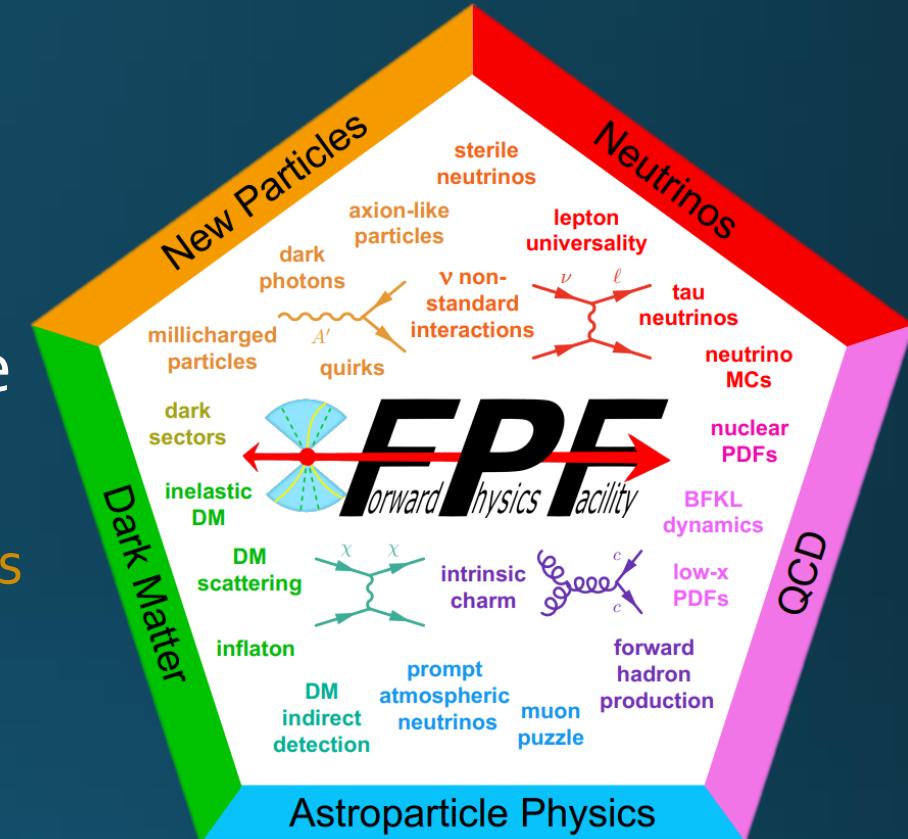
- Due to unique energy and baseline ($L/E \sim 10^{-3}$ m/MeV), FASER ν is sensitive to large $\Delta m^2 \sim 10^3$ eV 2 .
- Neutrino spectrum deformation
- Competitive in disappearance channels.





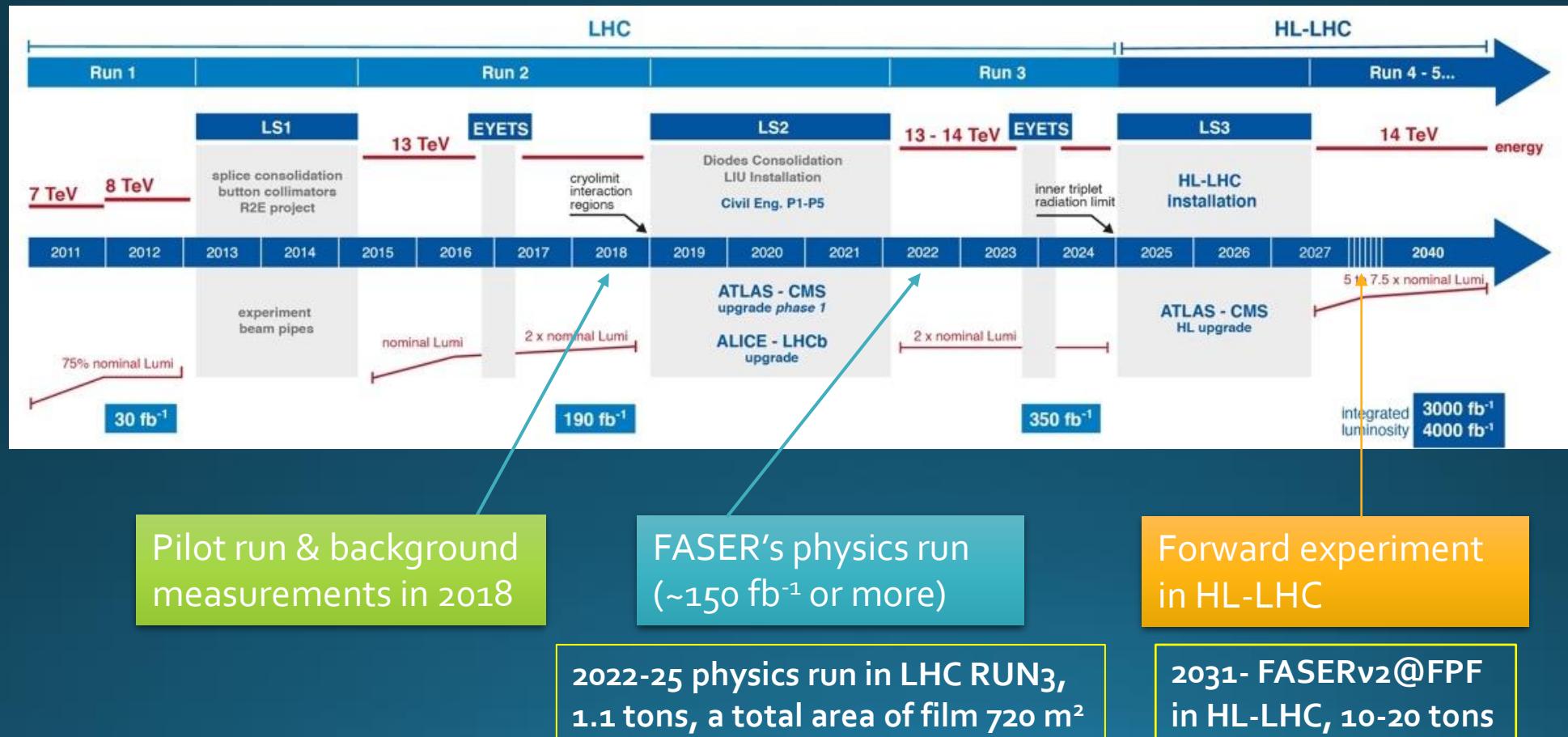
Physics Motivation

- The FPF has a rich and broad physics programme
- Three main physics motivations
 - Beyond Standard Model (BSM) “dark sector” searches
 - Neutrino physics
 - QCD physics
- In order to fully benefit from the increase in luminosity from the HL-LHC, the FPF will allow:
 - Longer detectors to increase target/decay volume
 - Wider detectors to increase sensitivity to heavy flavour produced particles
 - Space for new detectors with complementary physics capabilities



FASER ν /FASER ν 2 schedule

- LHC Run-3 will start in 2022, FASER ν .
- HL-LHC, starting in 2028, will deliver 10 times more integrated luminosity → FASER ν 2

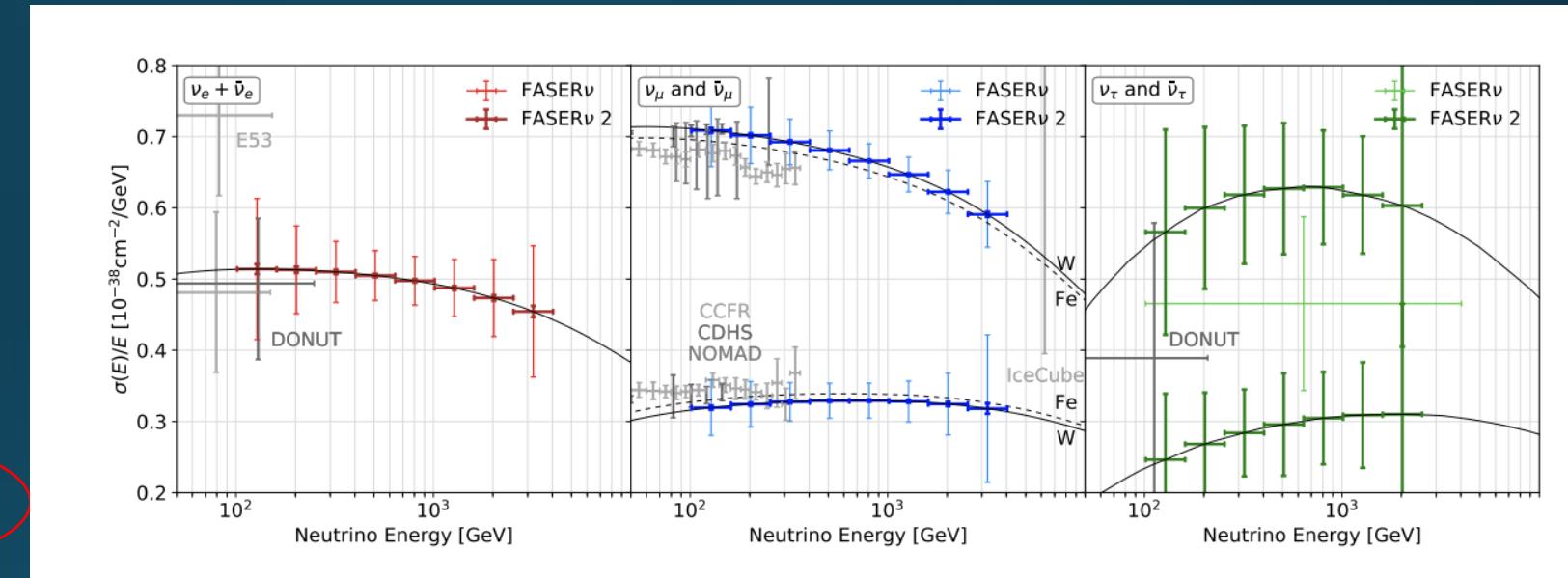


Neutrinos at the FPF

A huge number of high-energy neutrinos of all flavours will be detected by experiments at the FPF

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2105.08270.pdf> (F. Kling)

Species	#evts (20tn, 3/ab)
ν_e	64k
$\bar{\nu}_e$	36k
ν_μ	430k
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	120k
ν_τ	2k
$\bar{\nu}_\tau$	0.8k



Tau neutrino:

- FPF experiments will **increase this number by over two orders of magnitude**, enabling precision ν_τ studies:
- Measure high energy $\nu_\tau/\bar{\nu}_\tau$ charge-current cross sections
- Study $\nu_\tau \rightarrow$ heavy flavour – towards probing same diagrams as LHCb lepton-flavour violation anomalies

Large sample of ν_e, ν_μ :

- Sterile neutrino, NSI, constrain SM EFT, s-channel resonance,,,

QCD studies → Cosmic-ray

Forward Physics Facility

FPF workshop series:
FPF₁, FPF₂, FPF₃, FPF₄

FPF Paper:
2109.10905
~75 pages, ~80 authors

Snowmass Whitepaper:
2203.05090
~450 pages, ~250 authors

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📝 There are no materials yet.

ℹ️ The Forward Physics Facility (FPF) project is moving forward!
At the 4th Forward Physics Facility Meeting we will discuss the facility, experiments, and physics goals of the proposed FPF at the HL-LHC. The meeting takes place just before the completion of the FPF Snowmass White Paper and will provide an opportunity to summarize the current status of the White Paper and the final steps in its preparation. The whole event will be held online.

The Zoom links are:
Plenary sessions (both Monday and Tuesday): <https://uci.zoom.us/j/91591021575>
<https://vu-live.zoom.us/J9RQnRzTJpdz09>
<https://uiowa.zoom.us/j/94645515841>
<https://zoom.us/j/97280888150>

Submitted to the US Community Study
on the Future of Particle Physics (Snowmass 2021)

The Forward Physics Facility:
Sites, Experiments, and Physics Potential

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The Forward Physics Facility (FPF) is a proposal to create a cavern with the spallation infrastructure to support a suite of far-forward experiments at the Large Hadron Collider during the High Luminosity era. Located along the beam collision axis and shielded from the interaction point by at least 100 m of concrete and rock, the FPF will house experiments that will detect particles outside the acceptance of the existing large LHC experiments. The FPF will observe rare and exotic processes in an extremely low-background environment. In this work, we summarize the current status of plans for the FPF, including recent progress in civil engineering in identifying promising sites for the FPF; the FPF experiments envisioned to realize the FPF's physics potential; and the many Standard Model and beyond-the-Standard Model physics topics that will be advanced by the FPF, including searches for long-lived particles, probes of dark matter and dark sectors, high-statistics studies of TeV neutrinos of a variety of flavors, aspects of perturbative and non-perturbative QCD, and high-energy astrophysics.



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The Forward Physics Facility
at the High-Luminosity LHC

High energy collisions at the High-Luminosity Large Hadron Collider (LHC) produce a large number of particles along the beam collision axis, outside of the acceptance of existing LHC experiments. The proposed Forward Physics Facility (FPF), to be located several hundred meters from an LHC interaction point and shielded by concrete and rock, will host a suite of experiments to probe standard model processes and search for physics beyond the standard model (BSM). In this report, we review the status of the civil engineering plans and the experiments to explore the diverse physics signals that can be uniquely probed in the forward region. FPF experiments will be sensitive to a broad range of BSM physics through searches for new particle scattering or decay signatures and deviations from standard model expectations in high statistics analyses with TeV neutrinos in this low-background environment. High statistics neutrino detection will trace back to fundamental topics in perturbative and non-perturbative QCD and in weak interactions. Experiments at the FPF will enable synergies between forward particle production at the LHC and astroparticle physics to be exploited. We report here on these physics topics, on infrastructure, detector and simulation studies, and on future directions to realize the FPF's physics potential.

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