

# Search for the leptonic CP violation with the ESSnuSB(+) project

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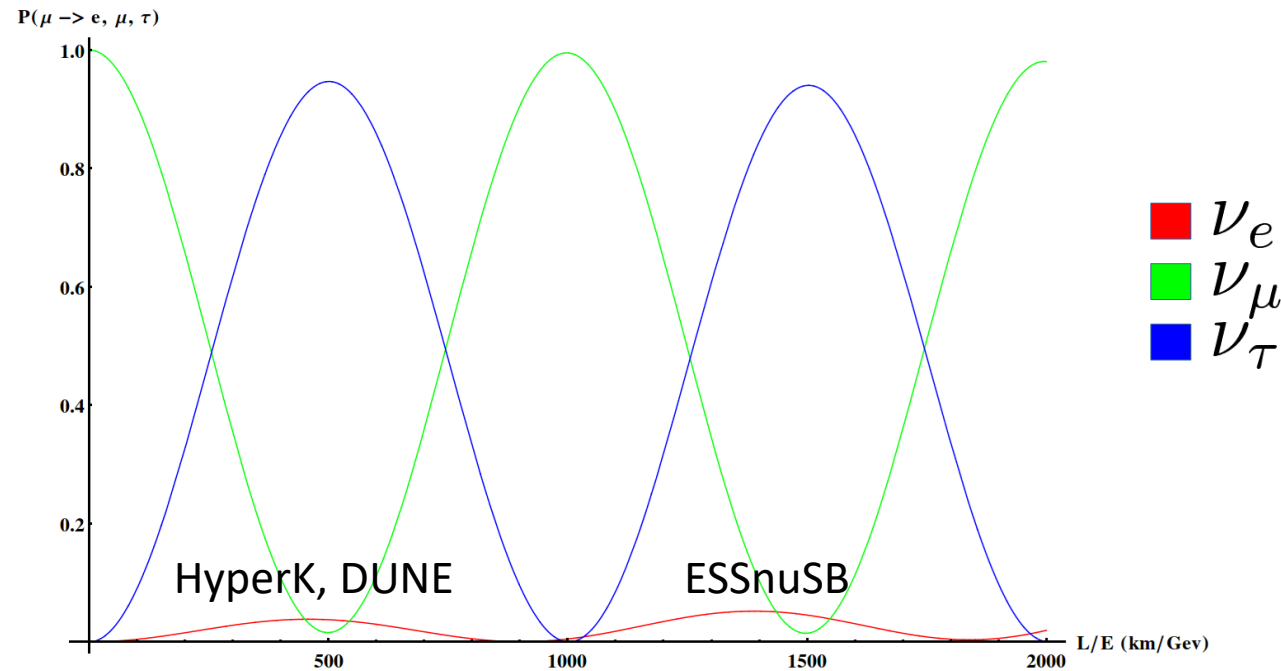
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# ESSνSB

## (European Spallation Source neutrino Super Beam)

A proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> generation long-baseline experiment to measure the CP violation in the leptonic sector at 2<sup>nd</sup> neutrino oscillation maximum



- The observed universe is dominated by matter only!
- The amount of Charge-Parity violation (CPV) needs to be large enough to explain this matter/anti-matter Asymmetry
- CPV has been observed in the hadronic sector (in the neutral  $K$ -meson decay), but not confirmed yet in the leptonic sector

$$A_{\alpha\beta}^{CP} = P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) - P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)$$

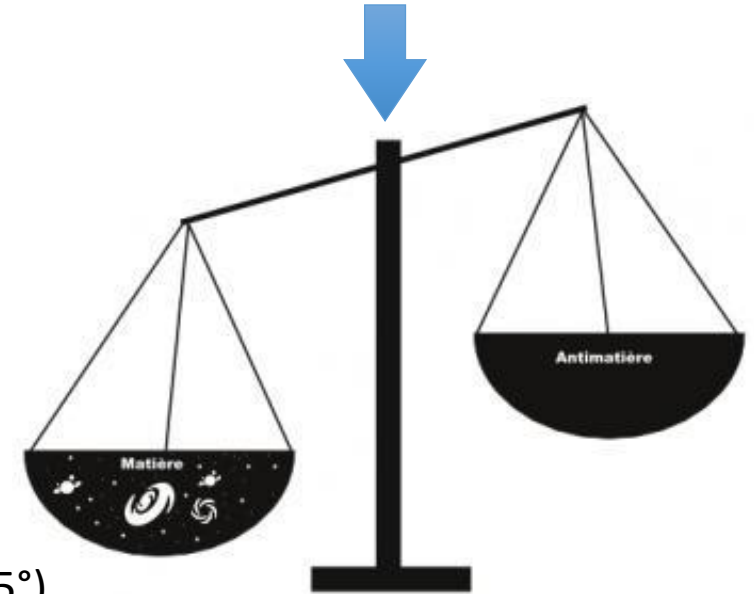
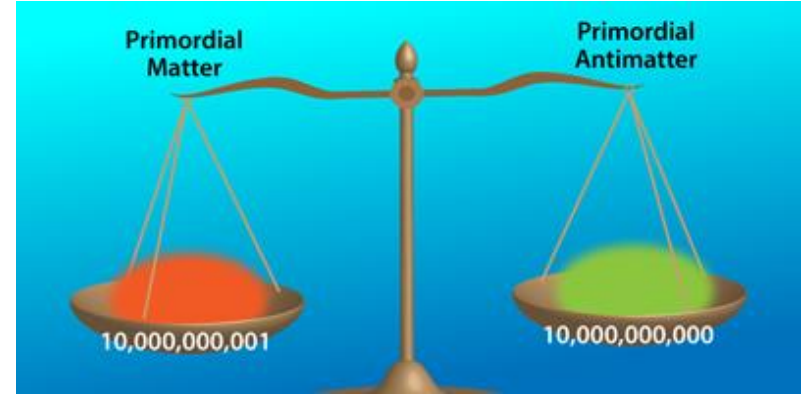
$$= J_{CP}^{PMNS} \cdot \sin\delta_{CP} \quad (\text{Jarlskog invariant})$$

with:  $J_{CP}^{PMNS} \sim 3 \times 10^{-3}$

(for hadrons:  $J_{CP}^{CKM} \sim 3 \times 10^{-5}$ , not enough even if  $\delta_{CP} \sim 70^\circ$ )

(from the already observed CP violation in the hadronic sector)

- Theoretical models predict that if  $|\sin\delta_{CP}| \gtrsim 0.7$  ( $45^\circ < \delta_{CP} < 135^\circ$  or  $225^\circ < \delta_{CP} < 315^\circ$ )
  - ➔ This could be enough to explain the observed asymmetry (Nucl.Phys.B774:1-52,2007, [arXiv:hep-ph/0611338](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0611338))
- $\delta_{CP}$  needs to be measured with the highest precision to decide on the Leptogenesis models



- Neutrinos do have mass and oscillate.
- It can be expressed as a transformation relating the flavor and mass eigenstates through a unitary matrix, the Pontecorvo–Maki–Nakagawa–Sakata (*PMNS*) matrix.

$$|\nu_i\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} U_{\alpha i} |\nu_{\alpha}\rangle$$

$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle$  Neutrino with defined flavor  $\alpha = e, \mu$  or  $\tau$   
 $|\nu_i\rangle$  Neutrino with defined mass  $m_i, i = 1, 2, 3$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & \sin\theta_{13}e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{13}e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \text{Two additional phases} \\ \text{for Majorana} \\ \text{neutrinos} \end{pmatrix}$$

Oscillation in the 23/atmospheric sector

Oscillation in the 13 sector

Oscillation in the 12/solar sector

Doesn't influence neutrino flavor oscillations

- The neutrino-flavor oscillation probability,  $P(\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta})$ ,

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta}} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{i>j} \text{Re} \left( A_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} \right) \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E} \pm 2 \sum_{i>j} \text{Im} \left( A_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} \right) \sin \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E}$$

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

$$A_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} \equiv U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta i} U_{\beta j}^*$$

$$s_{ij} \equiv \sin \theta_{ij}$$

$$c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}$$

➔ three mixing angles,  $\theta_{12}, \theta_{23}$  and  $\theta_{13}$

Known

➔ two independent squared mass splittings,  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  and  $\Delta m_{13}^2$

➔ one CP-violating phase factor,  $\delta_{CP}$

Unknown/Hint!!

Oscillation probability for neutrinos (for  $\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta$ ) is different than the oscillation probability for anti-neutrinos (for  $\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta$ ) in vacuum (same for oscillation in matter for the 2<sup>nd</sup> oscillation maximum)

probability of oscillation

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} \neq P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta}$$

neutrino flavour at production

neutrino flavour at detection

# Neutrino Oscillations (Leptonic CP-Violation)

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  oscillation probability:

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2\theta_{23}\sin^2 2\theta_{13}\sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}L}{2}\right) + \cos^2\theta_{23}\sin^2 2\theta_{12}\sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}L}{2}\right) + \bar{J}\cos\left(\delta_{CP} - \frac{\Delta m_{31}L}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}L}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}L}{2}\right)$$

where  $\bar{J} \equiv \cos\theta_{13}\sin 2\theta_{12}\sin 2\theta_{23}\sin 2\theta_{13}$  and  $\Delta_{ij} \equiv \Delta m_{ij}^2/2E_\nu$ .  
 $E_\nu$  is the neutrino energy,  $L$  is the source-to-detector distance, the *baseline*.  
 The sign of  $\delta_{CP}$  is the opposite for antineutrinos.

$\theta_{13}$  plays a significant role in evaluating the performance when planning "future" long baseline neutrino experiments

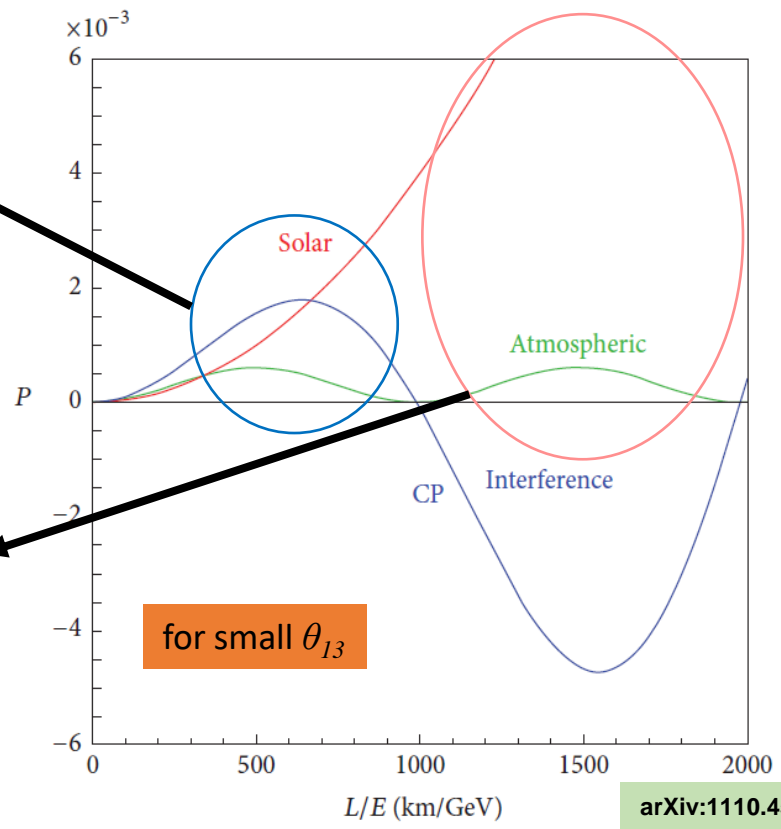
Important for CPV in leptonic sector

@ 1<sup>st</sup> oscillation max.

CP-interference dominates

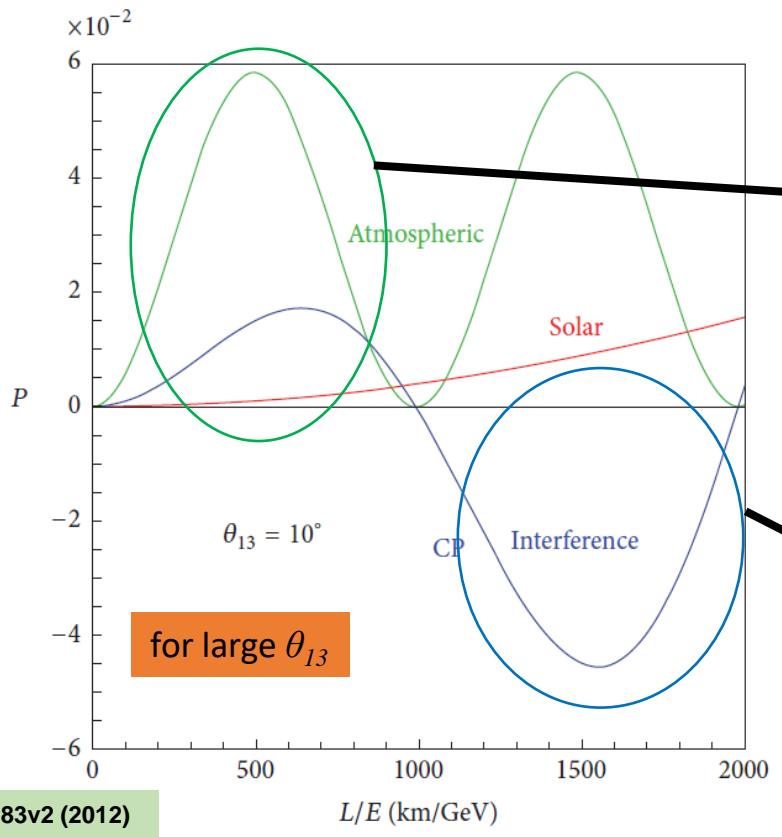
@ 2<sup>nd</sup> oscillation max.

Solar term dominates



for small  $\theta_{13}$

arXiv:1110.4583v2 (2012)



for large  $\theta_{13}$

@ 1<sup>st</sup> oscillation max.

Atm. term dominates

@ 2<sup>nd</sup> oscillation max.

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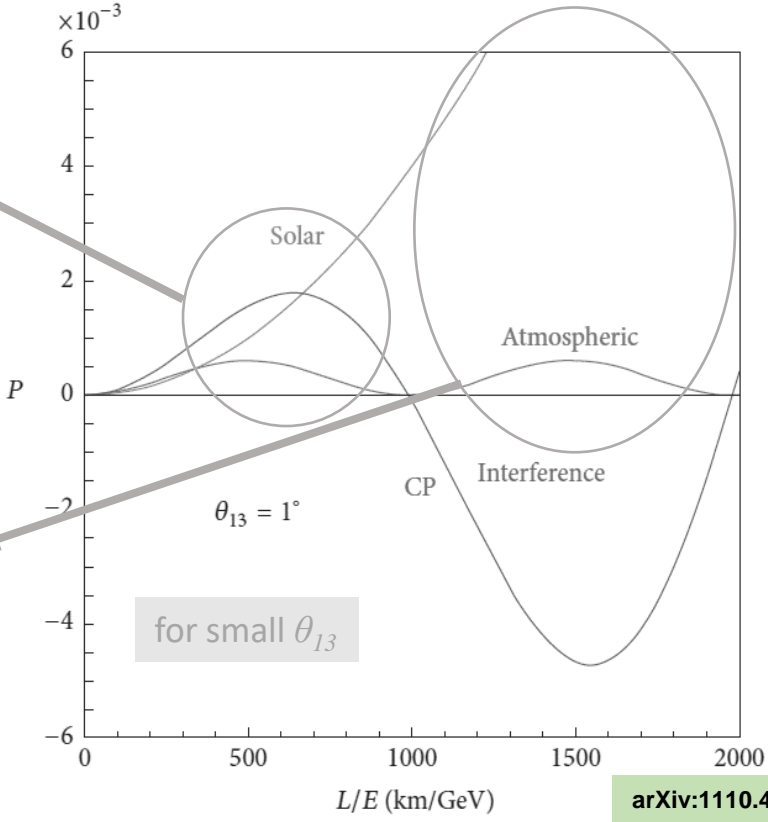
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$\theta_{13}$  found to be at higher values  $\sim 8^\circ$

**CPV is best studied at 2<sup>nd</sup> Oscillation maximum**

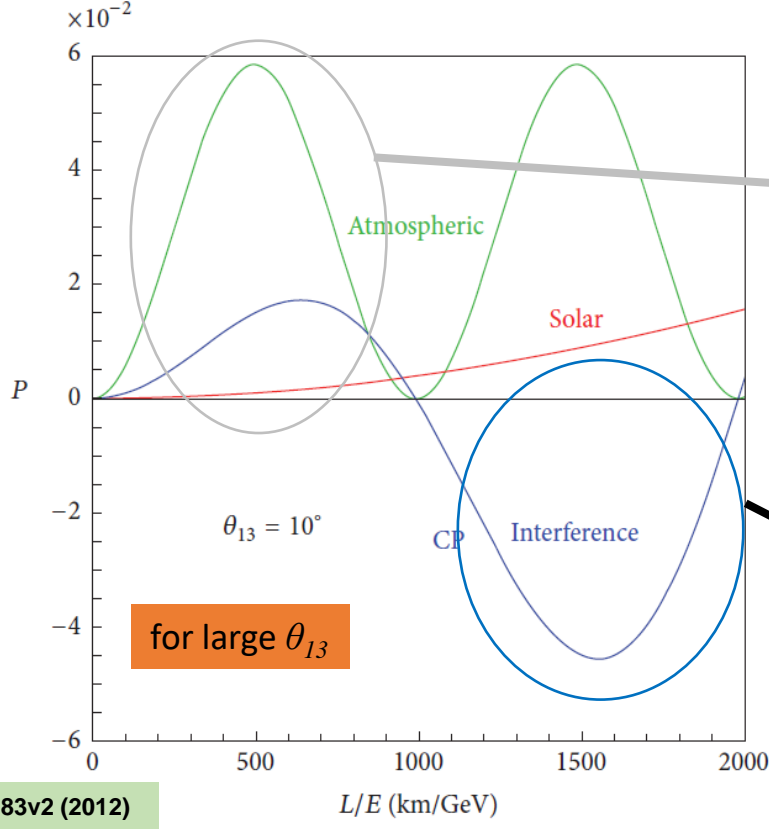
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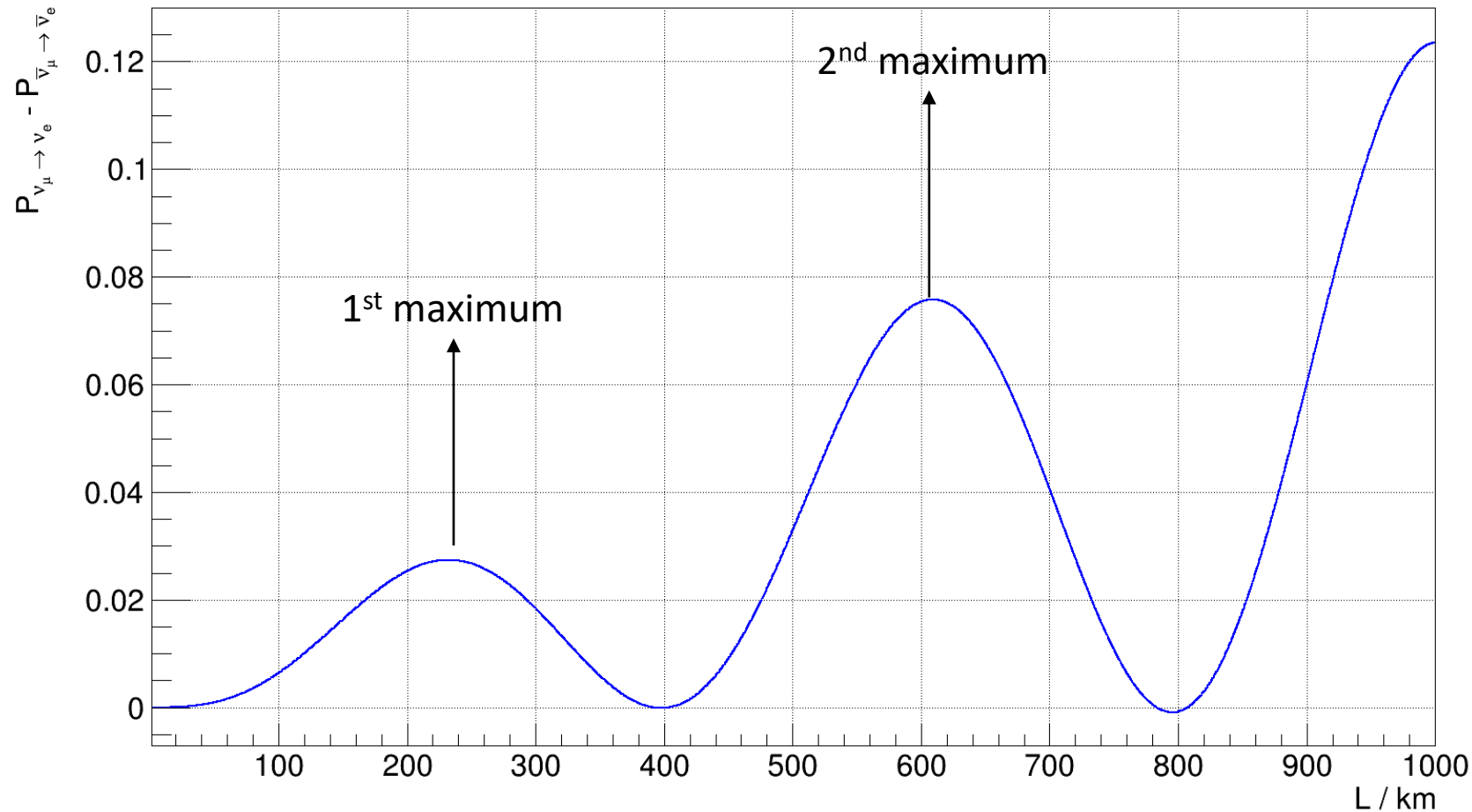


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$$A_{CP} \equiv P_{\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e} - P_{\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e} = -16J \sin \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \sin \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \sin \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E}$$

$E = 400 \text{ MeV}$



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$$c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}$$

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

$$A_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} \equiv U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta i} U_{\beta j}^*$$

$\frac{A_{CP} \text{ @ 2nd max}}{A_{CP} \text{ @ 1st max}} \sim 2.7$

- Does not depend on  $J$ , i.e. PMNS matrix elements
- Depends only on mass splittings



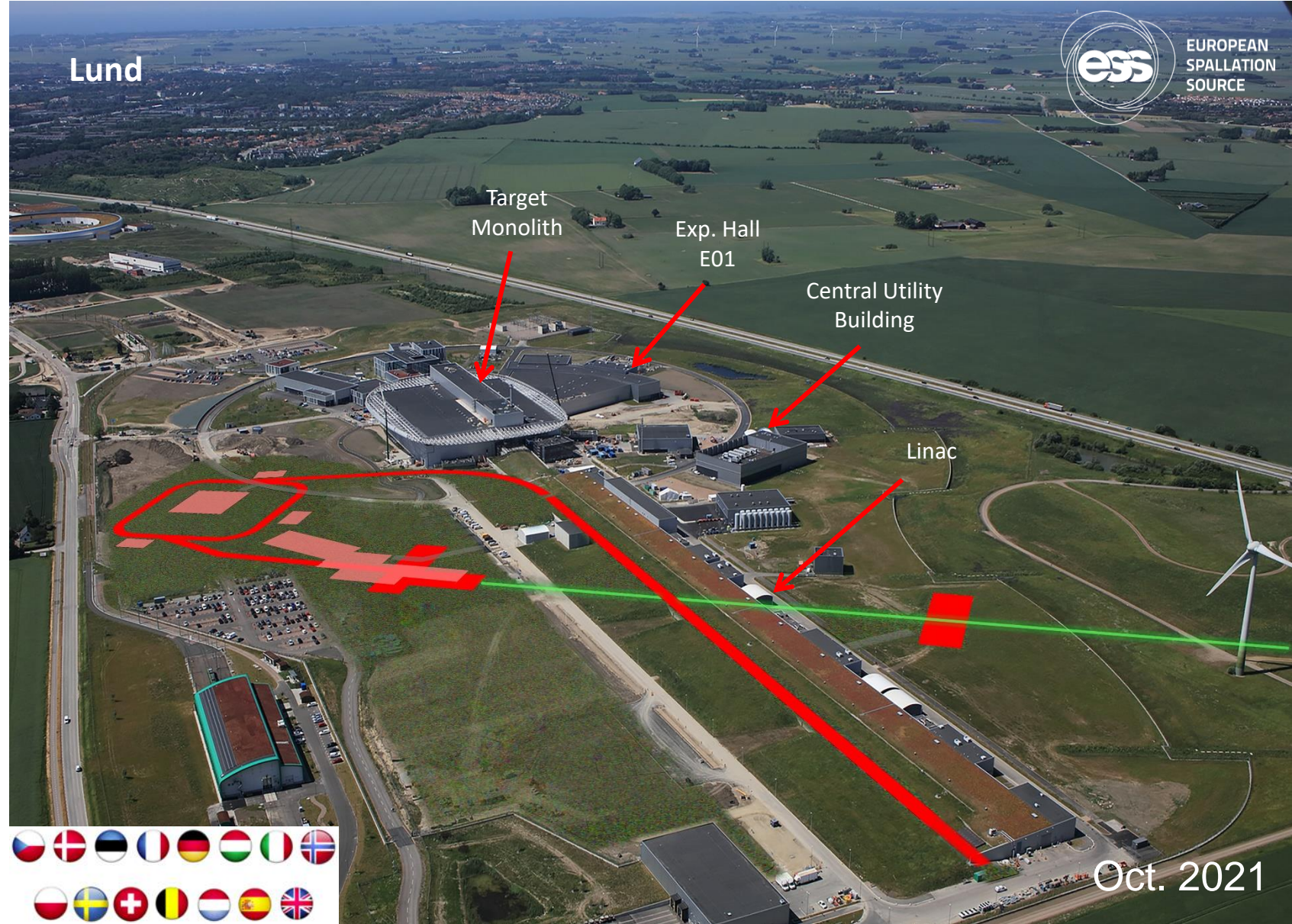
# The European Spallation Source (ESS) layout



- The ESS facility is under construction in Lund, Sweden
- The most powerful proton linear accelerator ever built, with beam kinetic energy of 2 GeV and power of 5 MW
- The world's most powerful neutron source (ca.  $40 \times 10^{15} \text{ n} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ )



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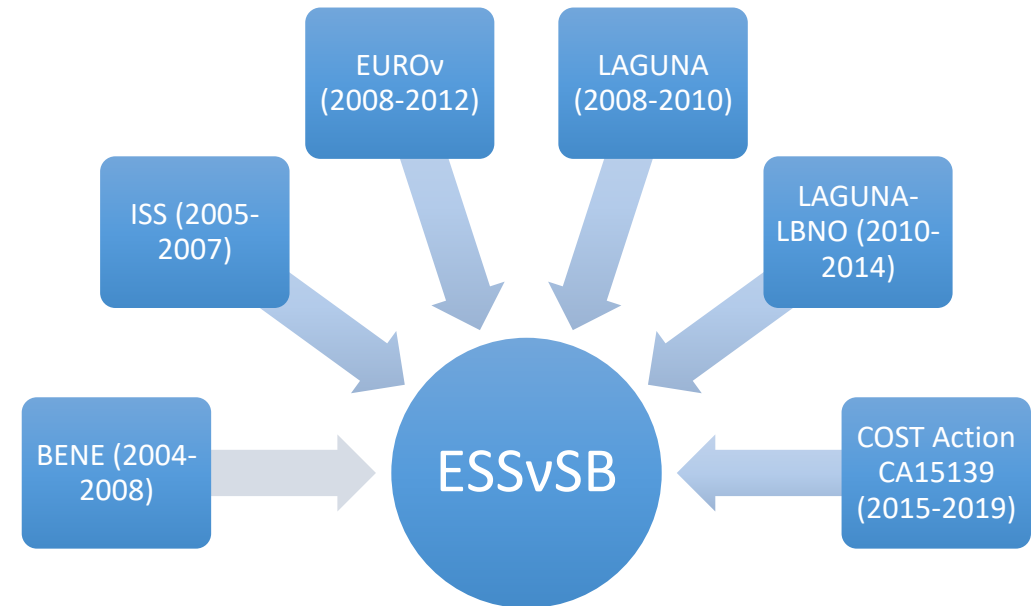
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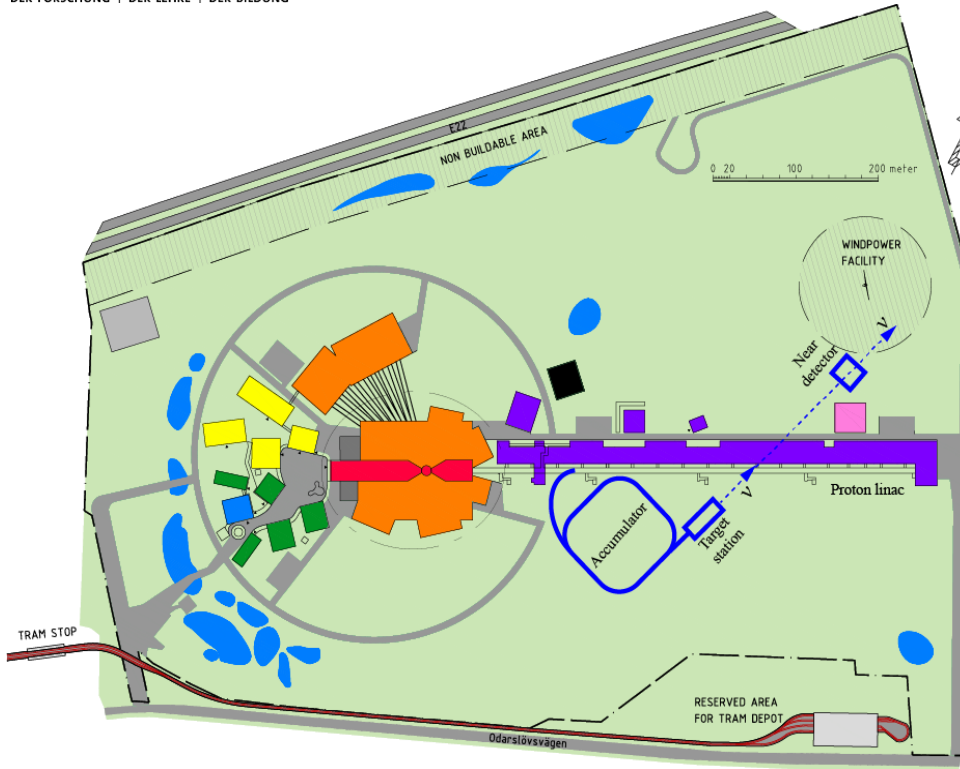


**A H2020 EU Design Study (Call INFRADEV-01-2017)**

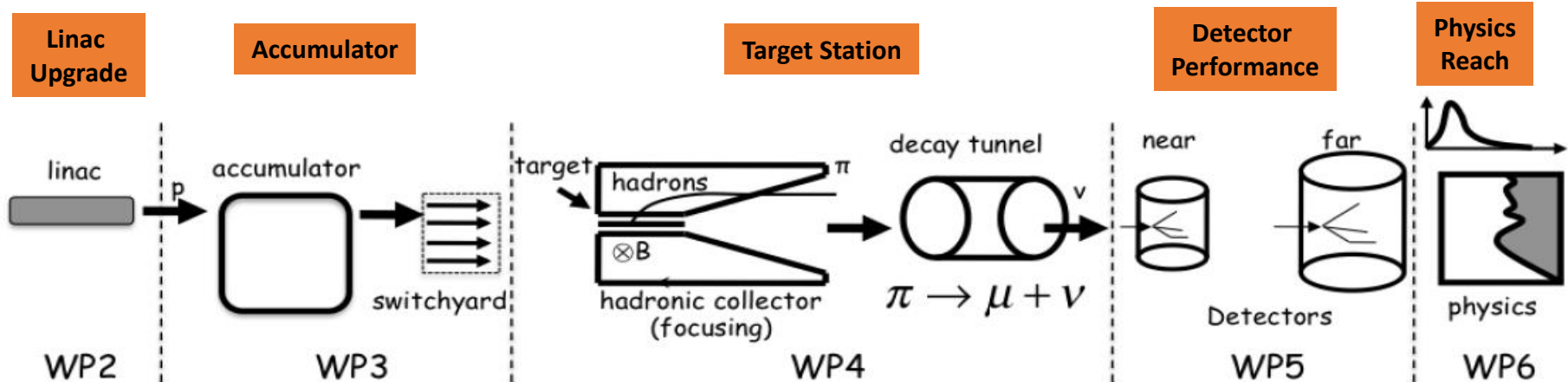
- **Title of Proposal:** *Discovery and measurement of leptonic CP violation using an intensive neutrino Super Beam generated with the exceptionally powerful ESS linear accelerator*
- **Duration:** 4 years
- **Total cost:** 4.7 M€
- **Requested budget:** 3 M€
- **15 participating institutes from 11 European countries including CERN and ESS**
- **6 Work Packages**
- **Approved end of August 2017**



# The European Spallation Source neutrino Super Beam (ESSvSB)



- It will benefit from the powerful proton beam of the ESS LINAC to produce intense neutrino beam.
- Aims at searching and measuring, with precision, for CP-violation in the leptonic sector, at  $5\sigma$  significance level in more than 70% of the leptonic Dirac CP violating phase range,
- The neutrino source-to-detector distance, the baseline, is set at the **second oscillation maximum**.

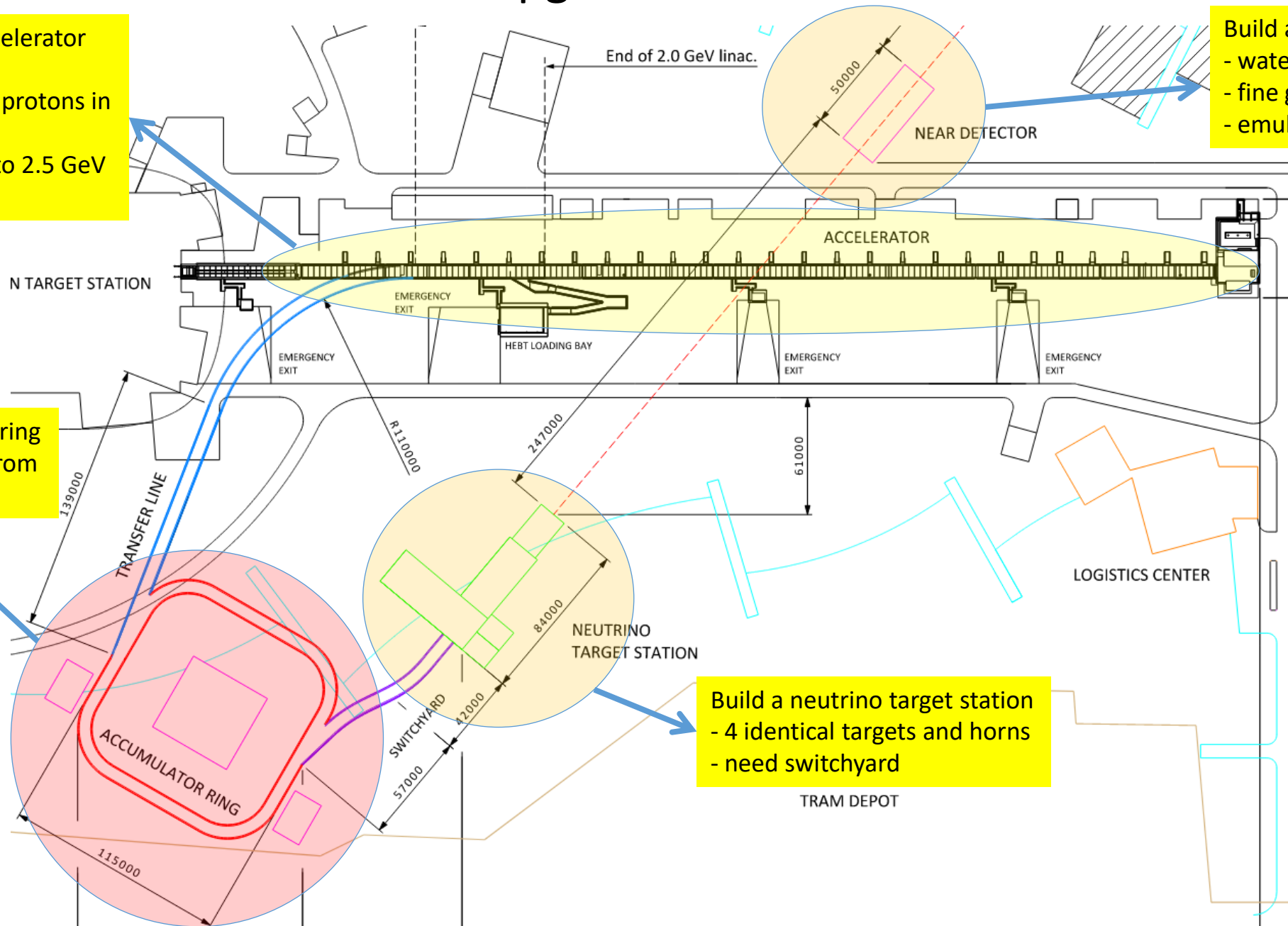


A schematic overview of the main work packages (WP) within the ESSvSB project

# Upgrades to the ESS site

Upgrade of the accelerator  
 - 14 Hz to 28 Hz  
 - use  $H^-$  instead of protons in ESSnuSB cycles  
 - increase energy to 2.5 GeV kinetic

Build a near detector site  
 - water Cherenkov detector  
 - fine grained scintillator  
 - emulsion detector



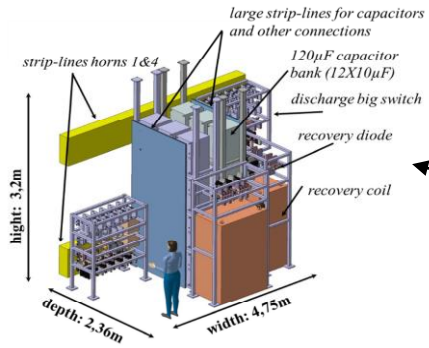
Build an accumulator ring  
 - shorten ESS pulses from 2.86 ms to  $\approx 1 \mu s$

Build a neutrino target station  
 - 4 identical targets and horns  
 - need switchyard

To produce  $\nu_\mu(\bar{\nu}_\mu)$  beam and to withstand the energy deposition from the 5 MW proton beam on the 4-horn/target system

## Power Supply Unit

- 16 modules (350 kA, 1.3  $\mu$ s)
- Located above the switchyard
- Outside of radioactive part of Facility

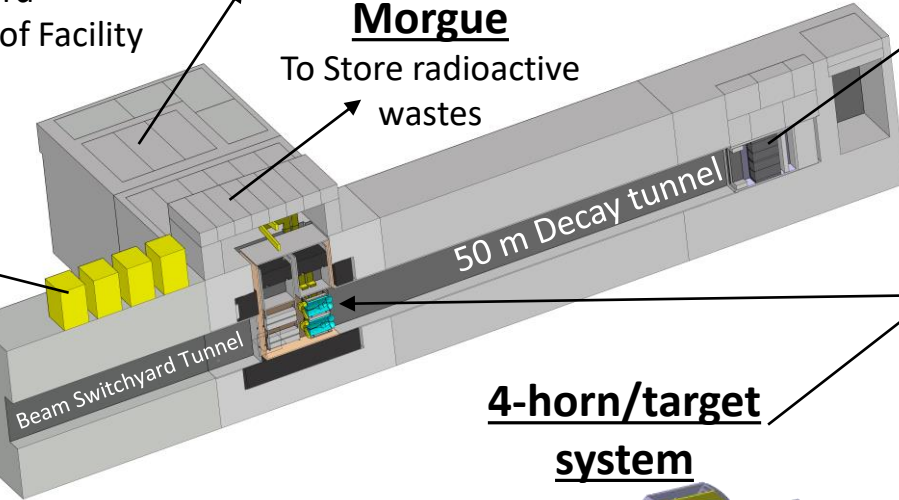


## Hot Cell

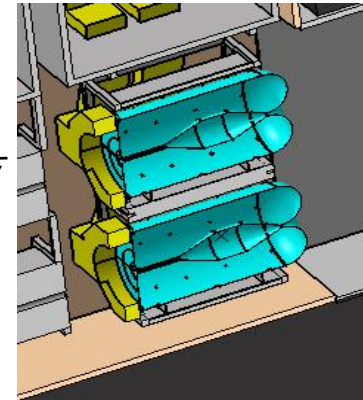
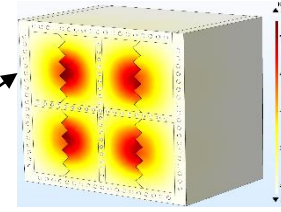
- Able to manipulate/repair hadronic collector
- Work under Radioactive Environment

## Morgue

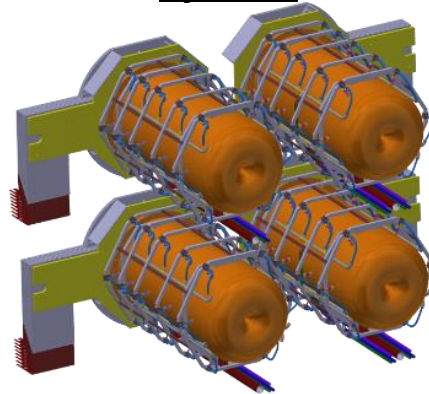
To Store radioactive wastes



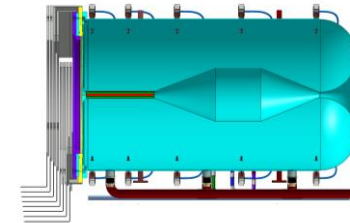
## Beam dump



## 4-horn/target system



## Hadronic Collector

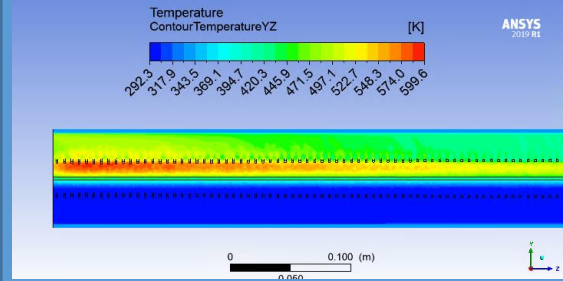
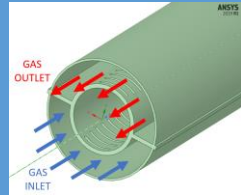
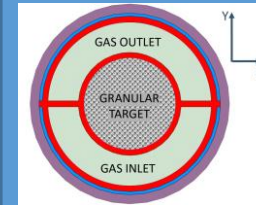


## Horn

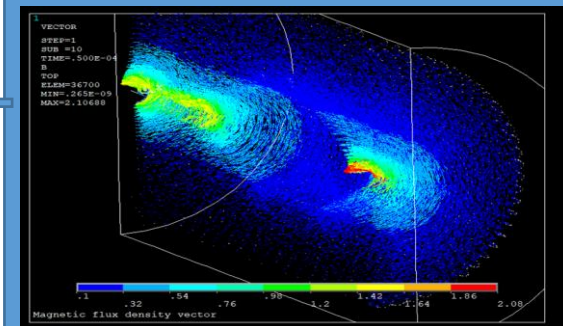
Shape optimized with genetic algorithm

## Granular Target Concept

- Target made of 3 mm titanium spheres cooled by transverse helium gas cooling



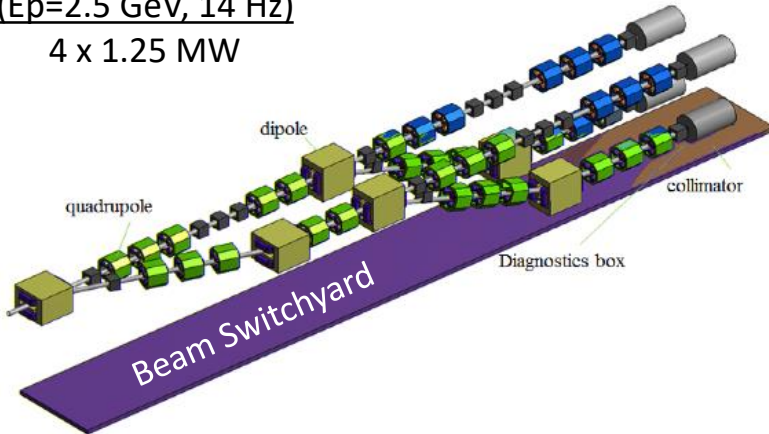
## Magnetic field (350 kA; 1.3 $\mu$ s pulse)



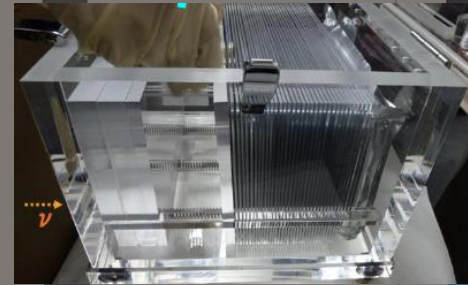
## Proton Beam

( $E_p=2.5$  GeV, 14 Hz)

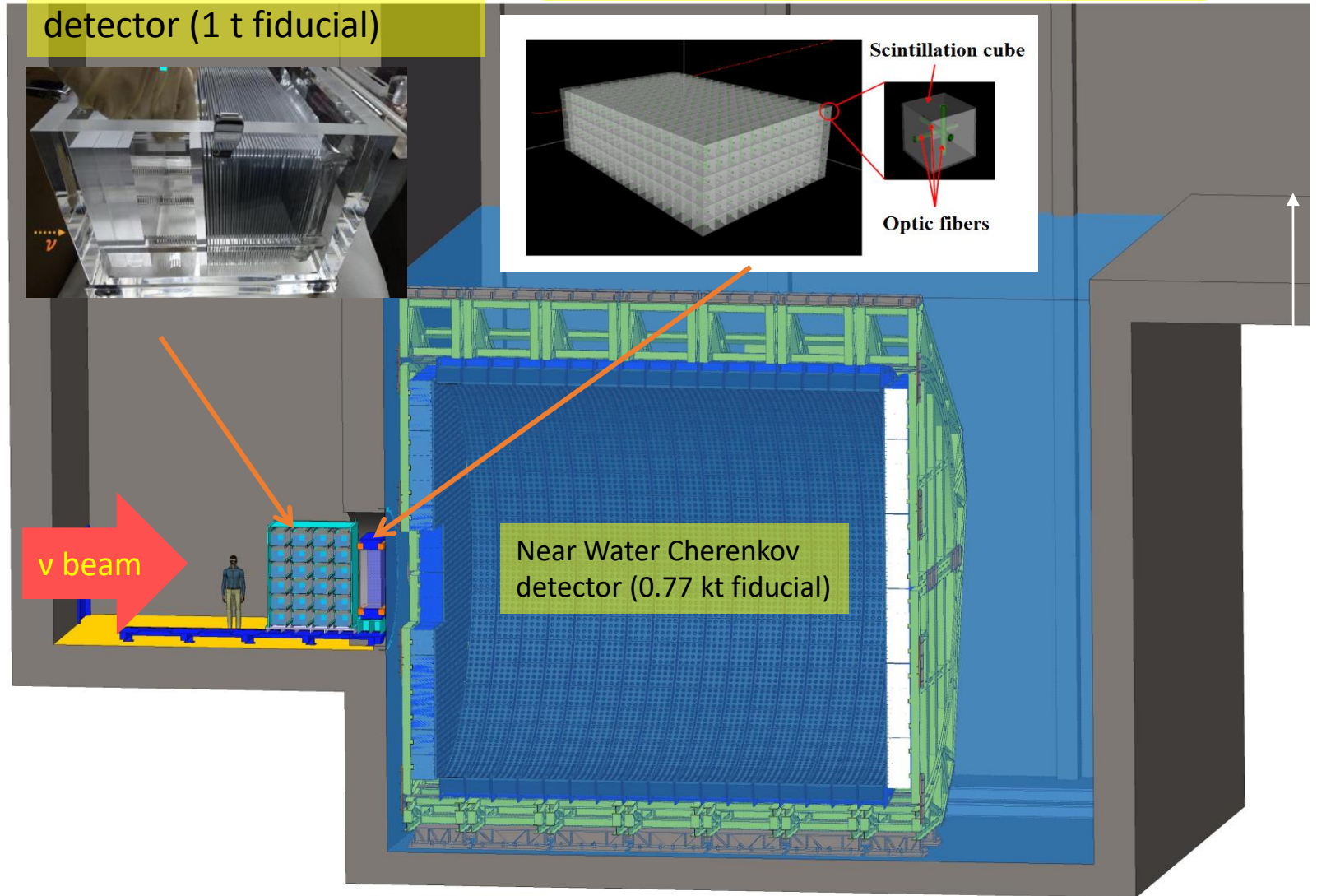
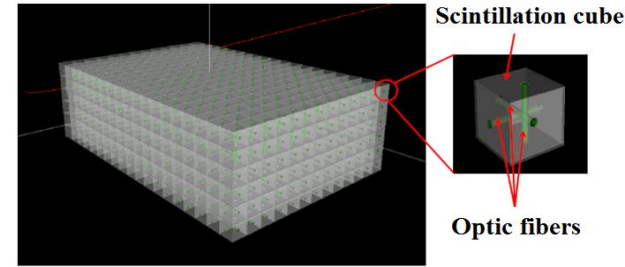
4 x 1.25 MW



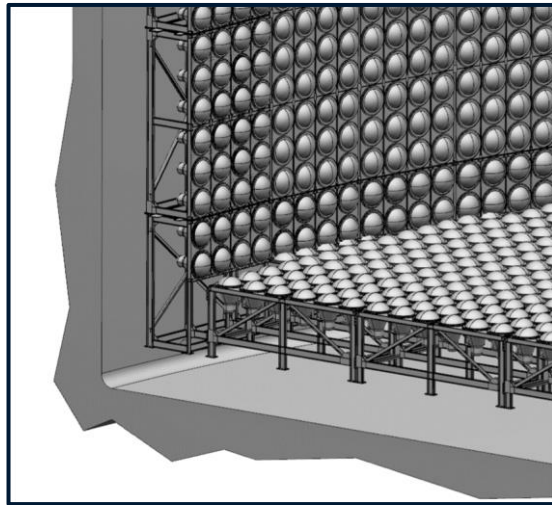
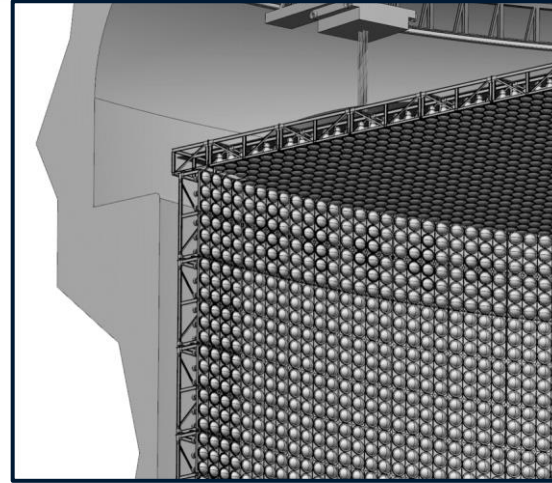
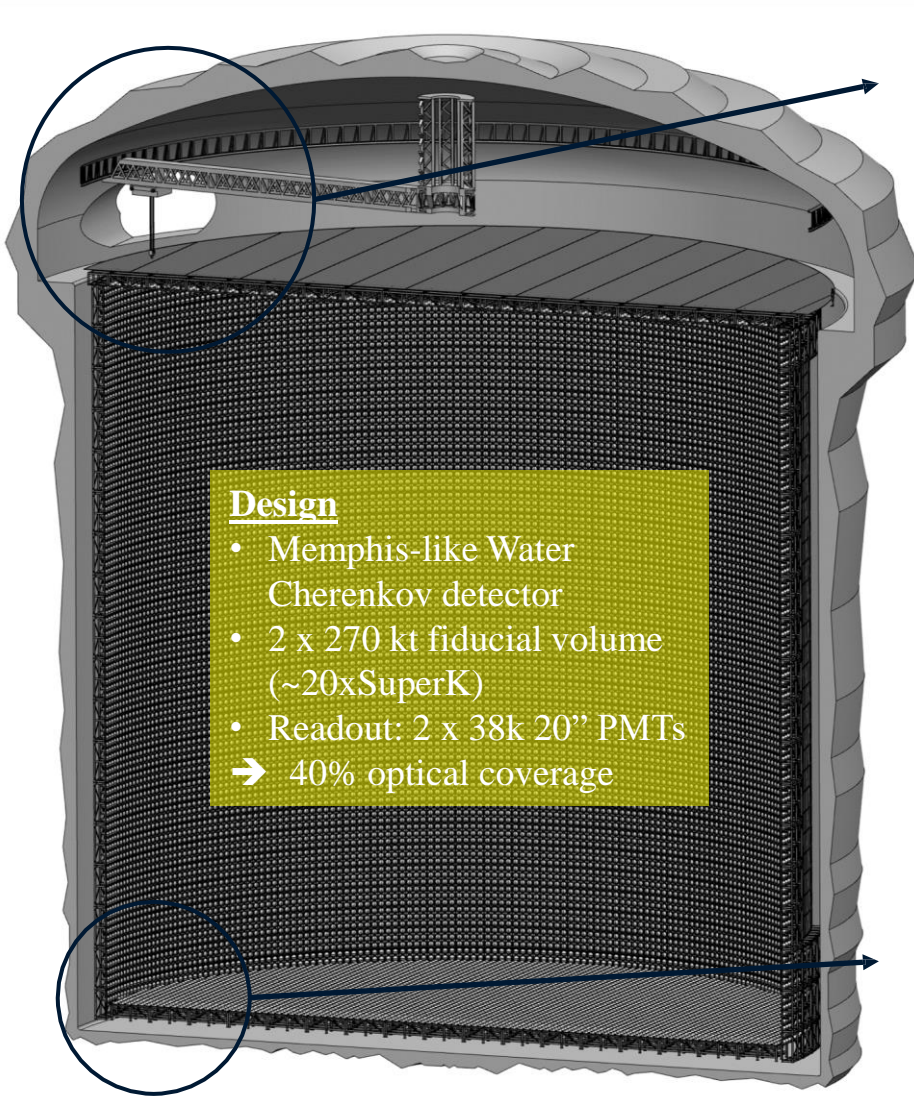
## NINJA-like water-emulsion detector (1 t fiducial)



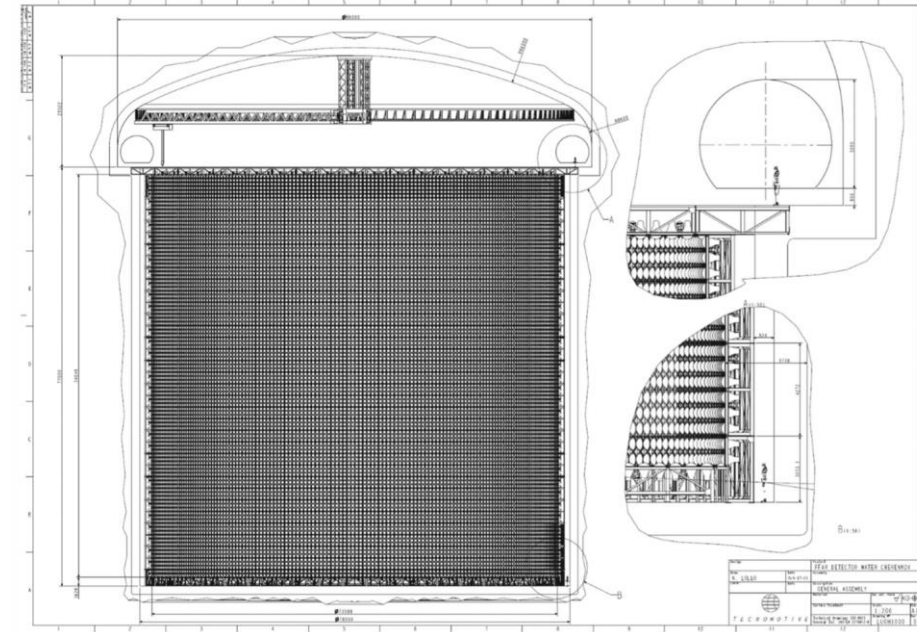
## Super-FGD like detector (1 t fiducial)



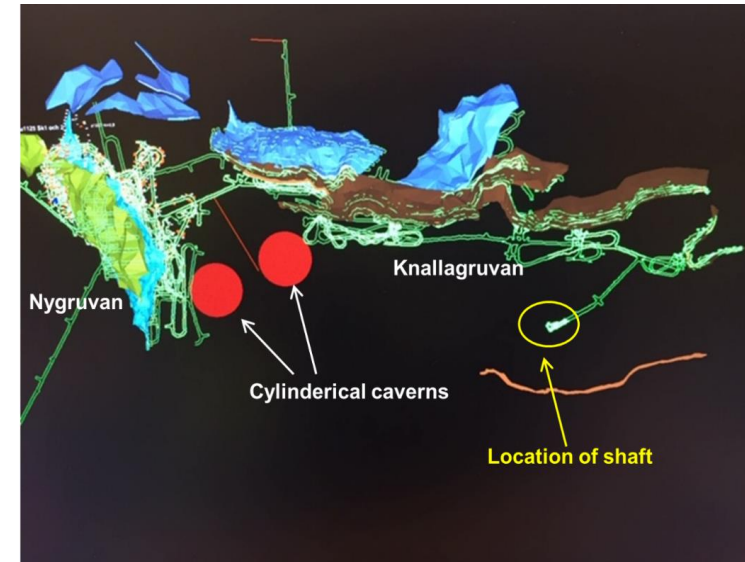
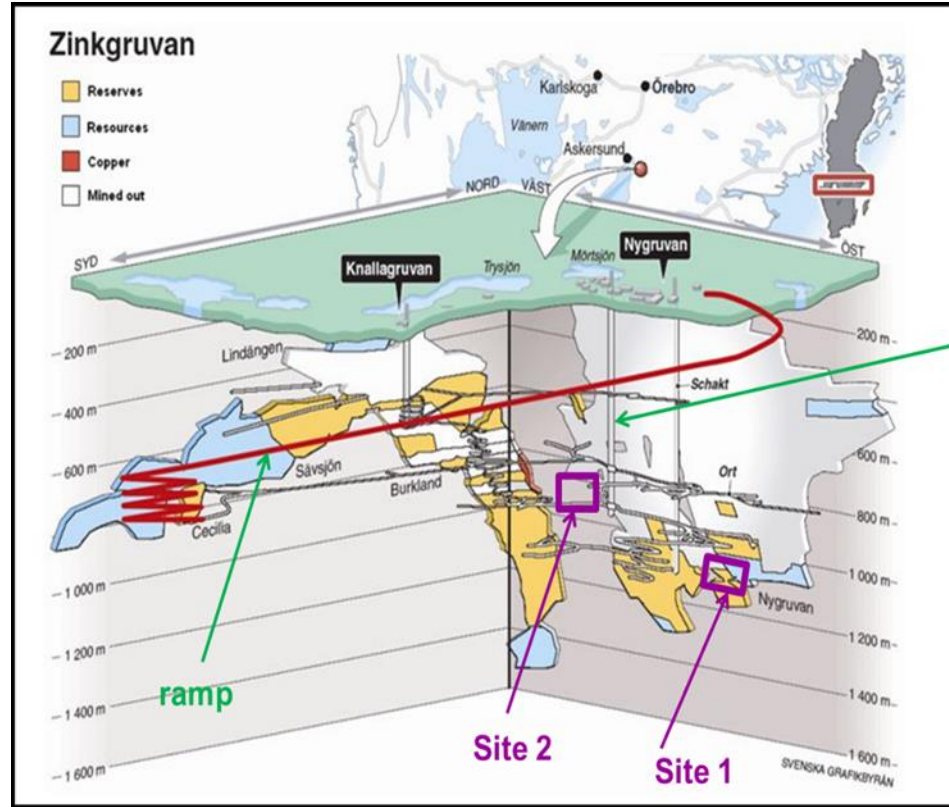
- Baseline ~ 250 m
- Water-Emulsion neutrino detector for flux and cross sections measurements.
- A 1t Super Fine-grained (SFGD) Scintillator Tracker inside a magnetic field for cross-section measurements.
- A 0.5 kt “fiducial volume” Water Cherenkov detector, for event rate measurements, flux normalization and event reconstruction.



- Baseline 360km (Zinkgruvan mine, Sweden)
- Total Length (external): 86.00m
- Total Width (external): 86.00m
- Height (external) : 97.52m
- Depth (w.r.t.) ground level : 1000.00 m
- Detector Radius 73.60 m (Internal)-78.00 m (external)



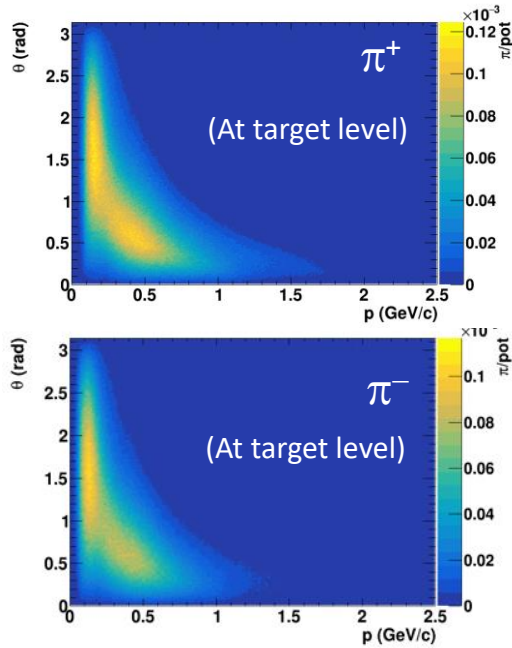
## Zinkgruvan mine



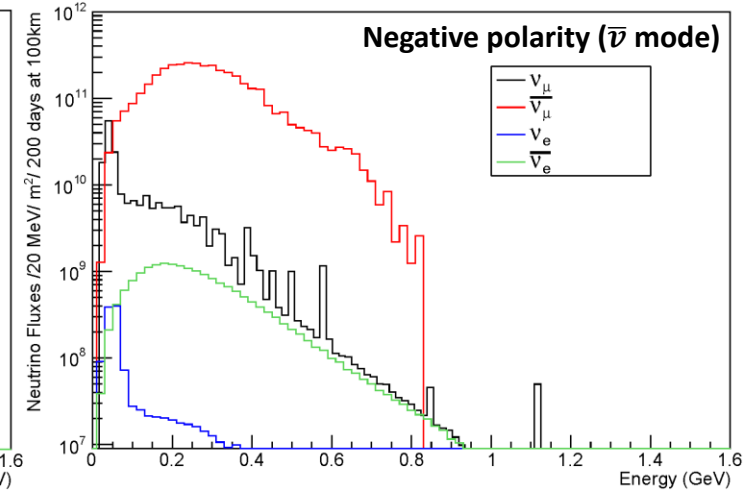
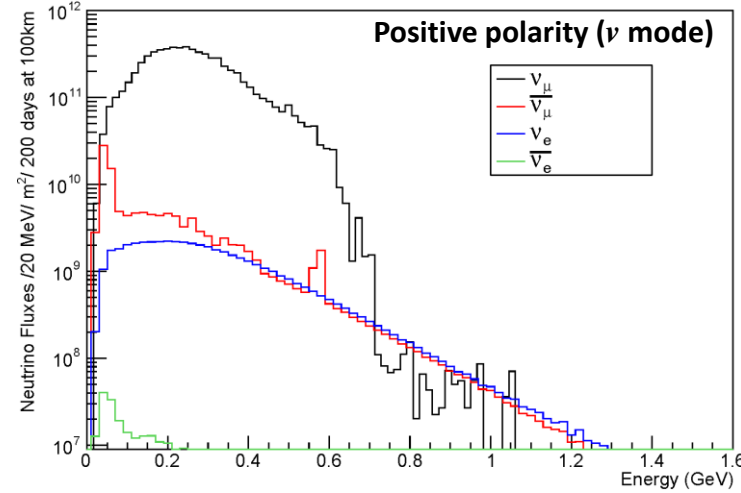
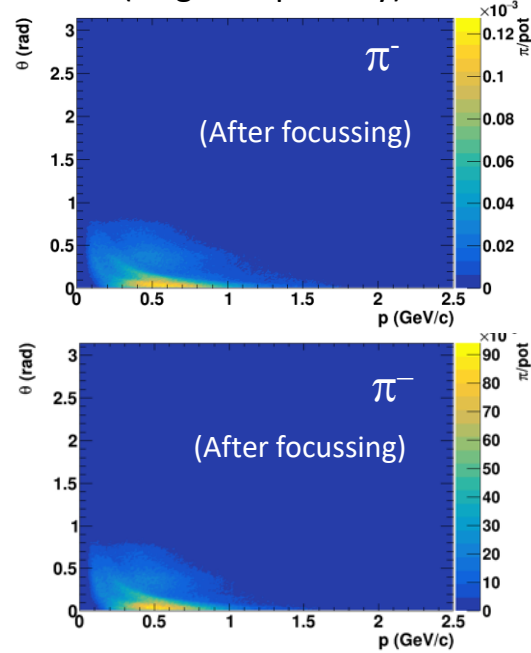
**Site 2** in Zinkgruvan mine is considered as best considering access to main transport infrastructure and located in an area less disturbed by mining activities



$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$   
(Positive polarity)



$\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu$   
(Negative polarity)

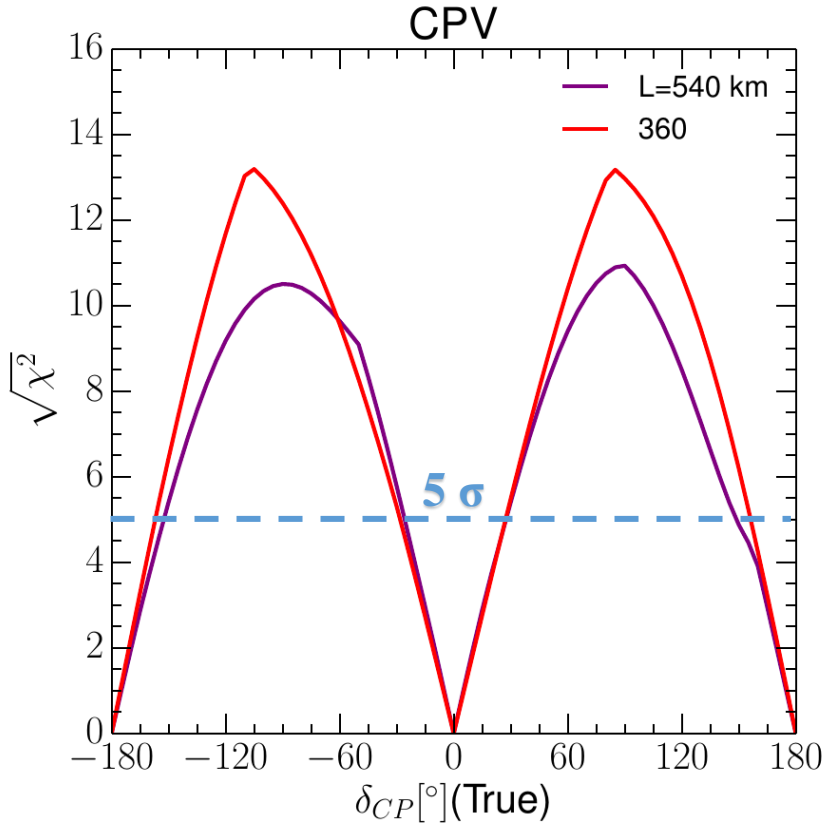


**Neutrino flux at 100 km from the target per year  
(in absence of oscillations)**

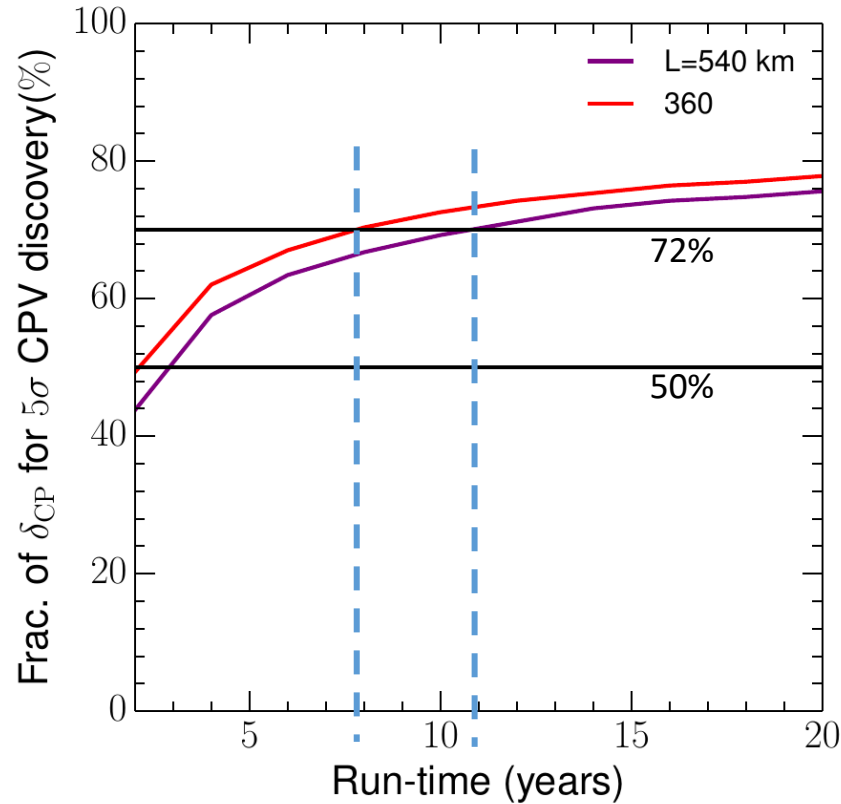
- Almost pure  $\nu_\mu$  beam
- Small  $\nu_e$  contamination which could be used to measure  $\nu_e$  cross-sections in the near detector

Flavor	$\nu$ Mode		$\bar{\nu}$ Mode	
	$N_\nu (10^{10}/\text{m}^2)$	%	$N_\nu (10^{10}/\text{m}^2)$	%
$\nu_\mu$	674	97.6	20	4.7
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	11.8	1.7	396	94.8
$\nu_e$	4.76	0.67	0.13	0.03
$\bar{\nu}_e$	0.03	0.03	1.85	0.43

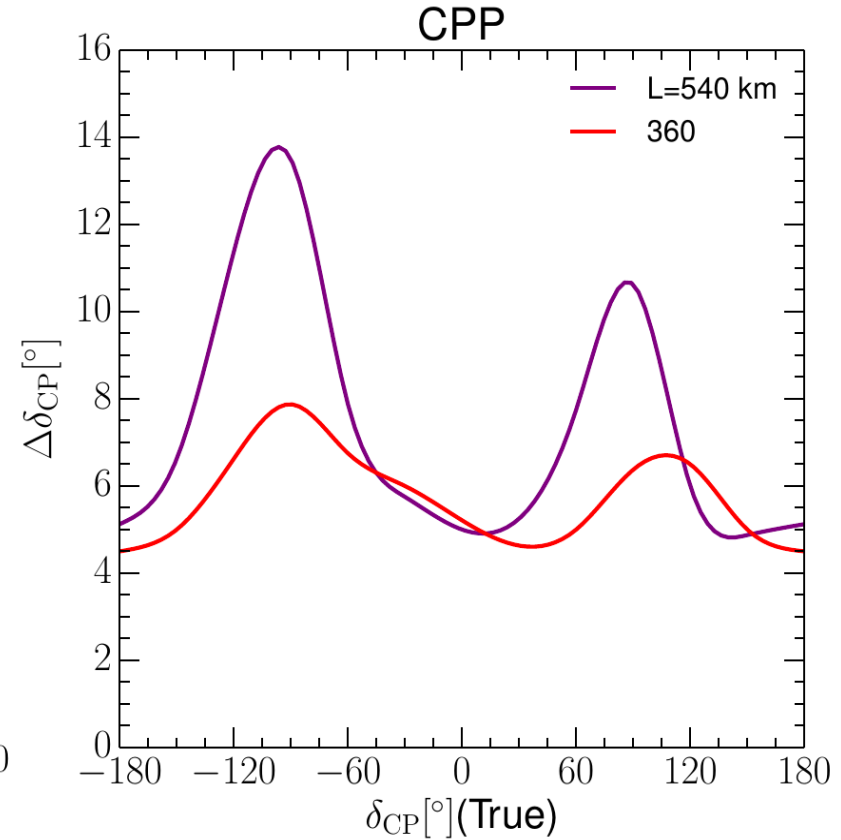
A. Alekou et al., "Updated physics performance of the ESS $\nu$ SB experiment" Eu. Phys. J. C 81, (2021) 1130



Sensitivity for  $\delta_{CP} = \pm \pi/2$ :  
11  $\sigma$  (540 km)  
13  $\sigma$  (360 km)

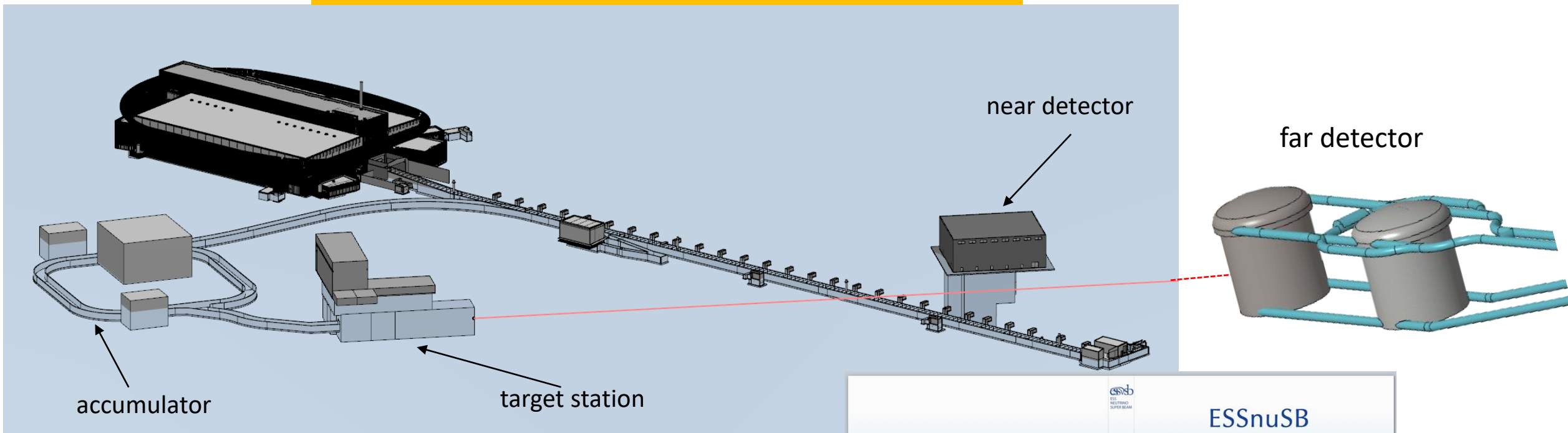


72%  $\delta_{CP}$  coverage @ 5  $\sigma$ :  
11 years (540 km)  
8 years (360 km)



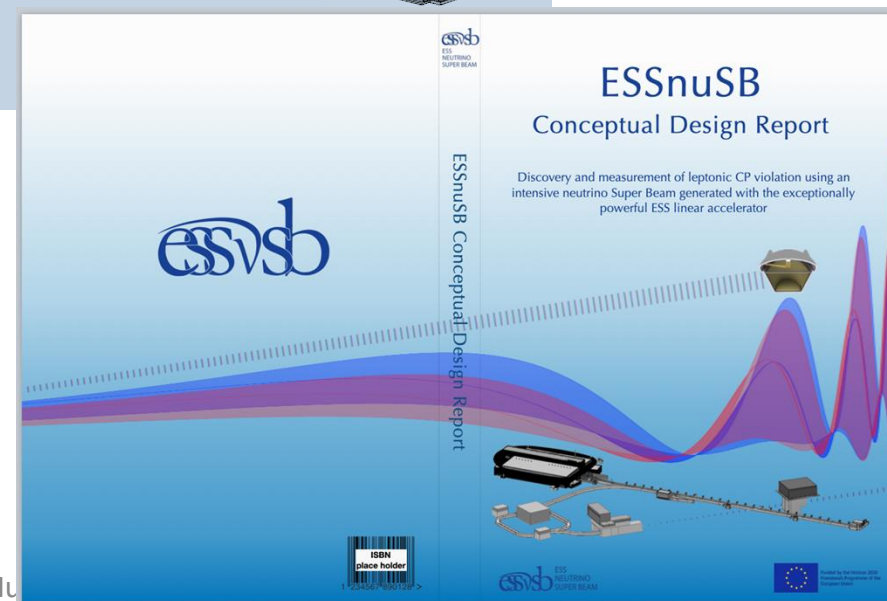
High precision of  $\delta_{CP}$  measurement

ESS $\nu$ SB phase-I has been concluded in March 2022



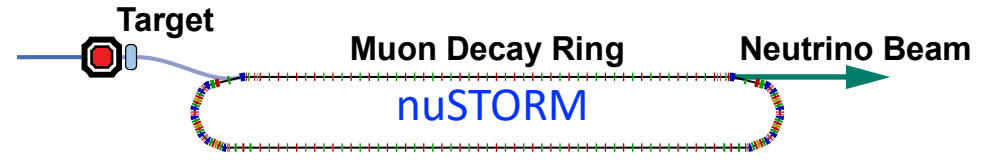
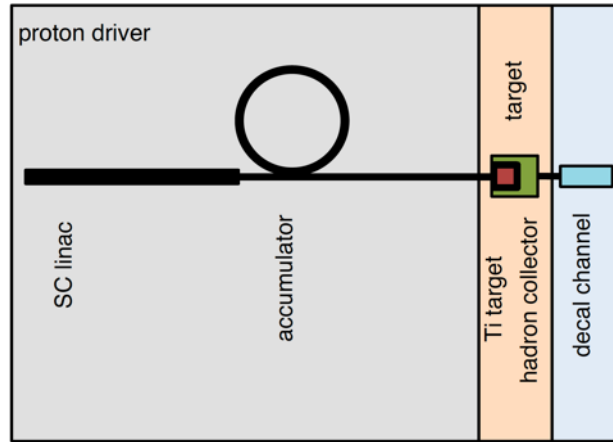
**Conceptual Design Report**

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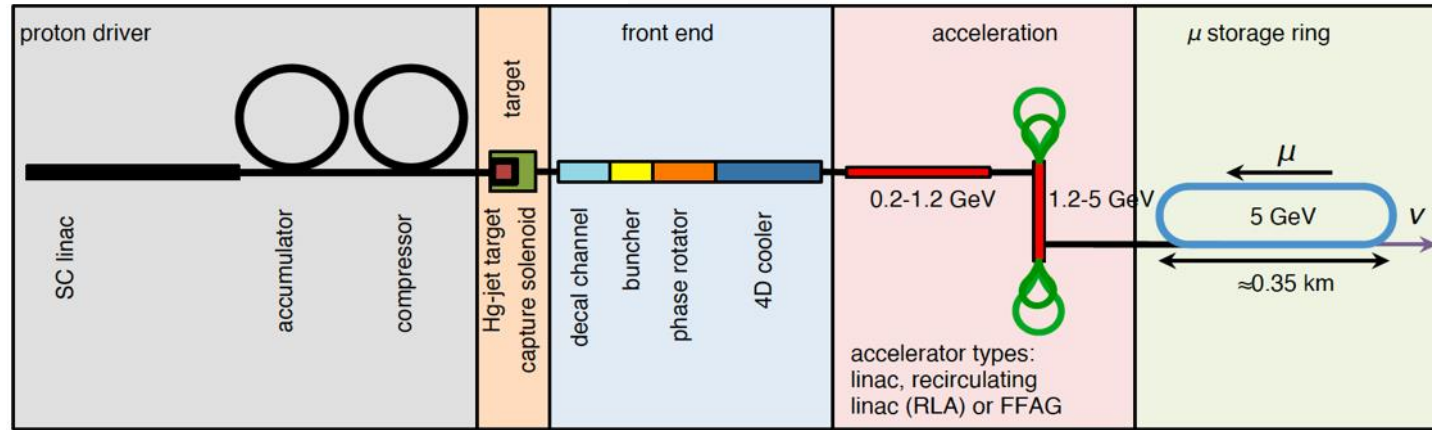
# ESSνSB Future Opportunities

Super Beam

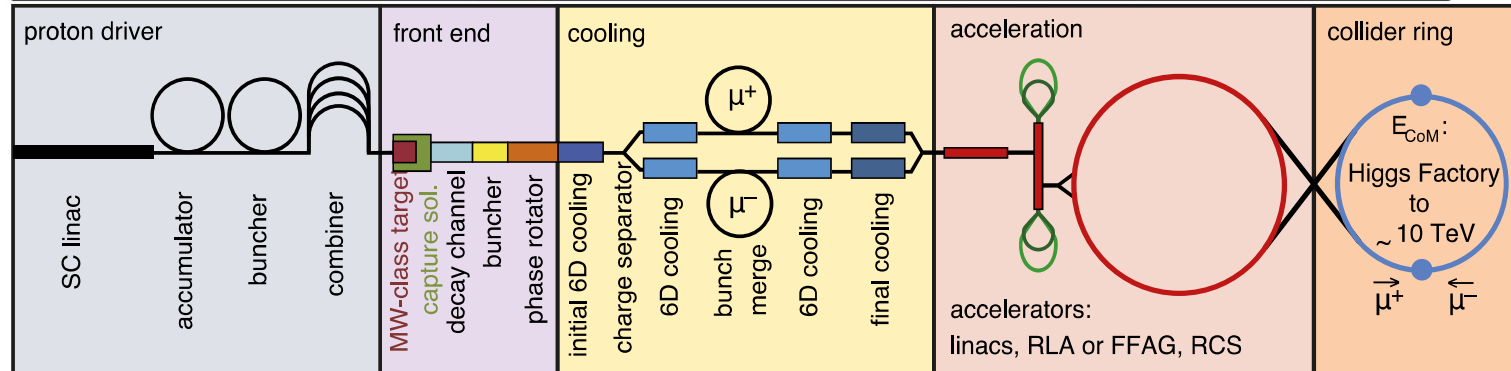


+Decay At Rest and Coherent scat.  
(with short pulses)

Neutrino Factory

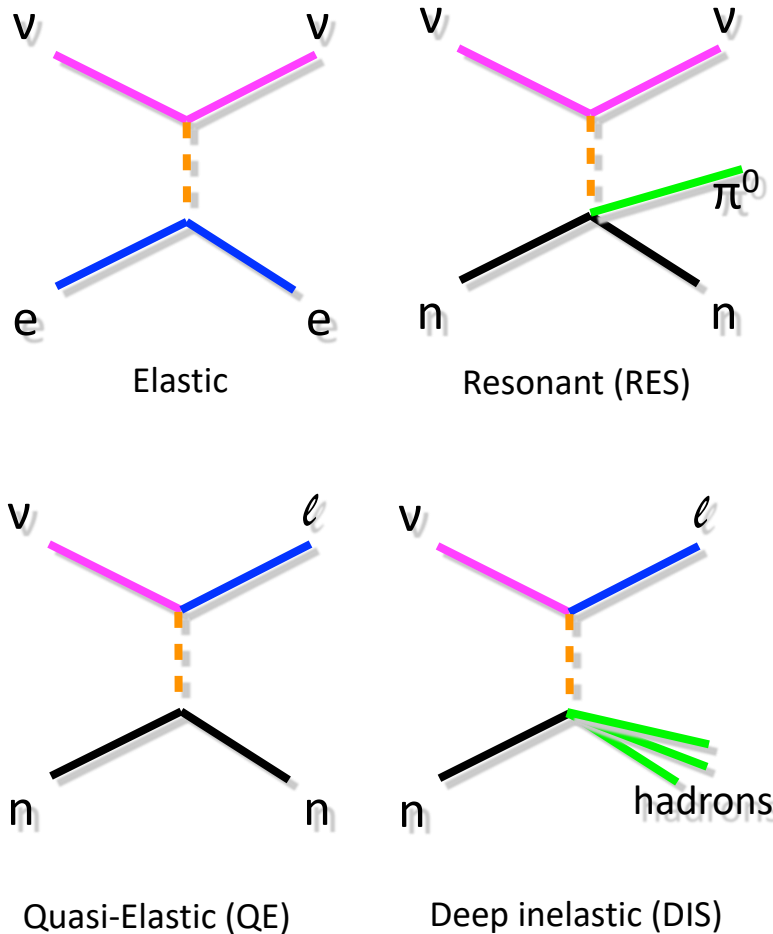


Muon Collider



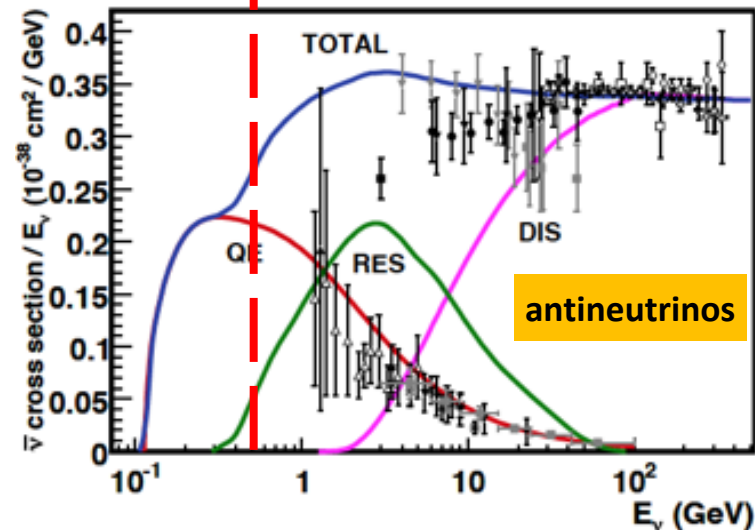
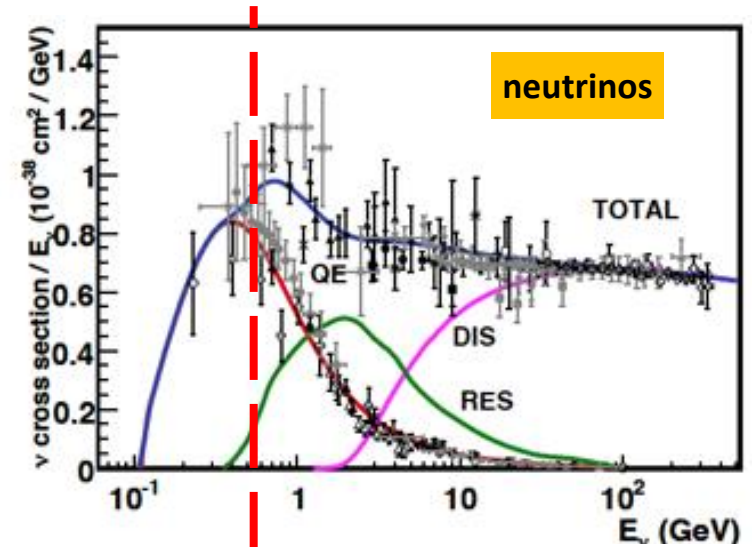
# ESSνSB...Systematic Uncertainties

- The influence on  $\delta_{CP}$  of the systematic errors will be close to three times smaller as compared to other experiments
- Even so, it is of vital importance to measure the neutrino cross-sections in this energy range as precisely as possible for precise measurements of the  $\delta_{CP}$ , especially since data on neutrino cross-sections in the neutrino energy range of ESSνSB, 0.2-0.6 GeV, is currently very scarce



Missing measurements at the ESSνSB region: below 500 MeV

From eV to EeV: Neutrino cross sections across energy scales, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* 84, 1307 – Published 24 September 2012



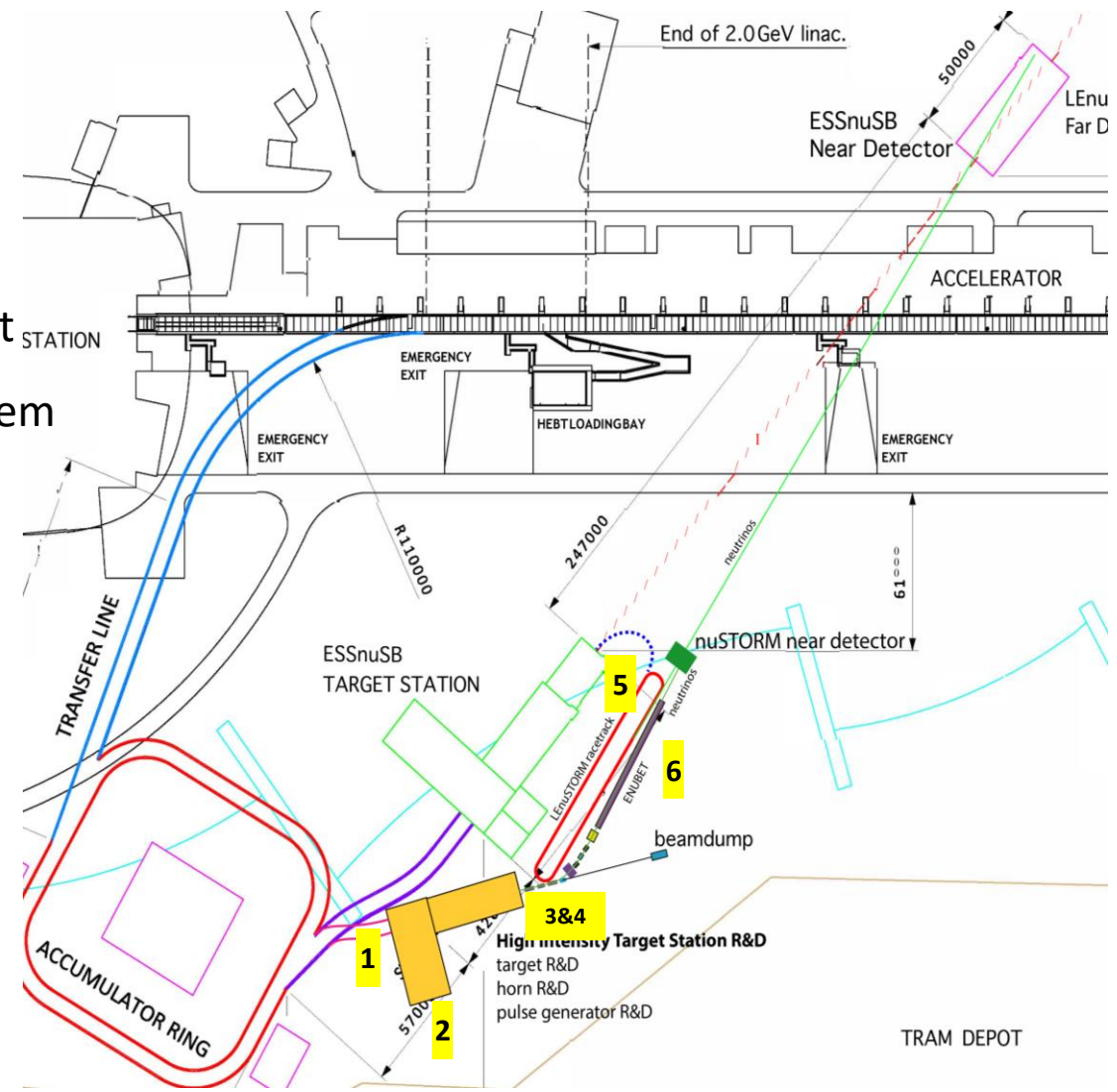
# Upcoming Studies

(mainly cross-section measurements)

Cross-section measurements with:

- Low Energy nuSTORM:  $\pi \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow e + \nu_\mu + \nu_e$
- Low Energy ENUBET:  $\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_\mu$

1. Design a **transfer line** from the ESSvSB accumulator ring to the target
2. Design a **special target facility** that depends on one horn-target system
3. Design a pion **extraction and deflection system**
4. Design an **injection scheme** for the extracted pions to the racetrack storage ring, where the pions will decay to muons
5. Design a **storage ring** for the low energy nuSTORM (for cross section measurements and sterile neutrino searches)
6. Design a **Monitored Neutrino Beam** (low energy ENUBET for cross section measurements)
7. **Optimize the performance** of the ESSvSB detectors



## *Research and Innovation actions*

And the EU decision arrived earlier  
than expected... 26/07/2022

### *Innovation actions*

#### Design Study

HORIZON-INFRA-2022-DEV-01



**3 M€**



Study of the use of the ESS facility to accurately measure the neutrino cross-sections for ESSvSB leptonic CP violation measurements and to perform sterile neutrino searches and astroparticle physics.

Acronym of Proposal: ESSvSB+



Co-funded by the European Union



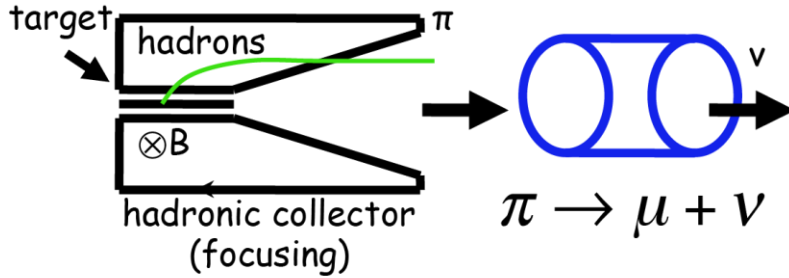


# The European Spallation Source neutrino Super Beam plus

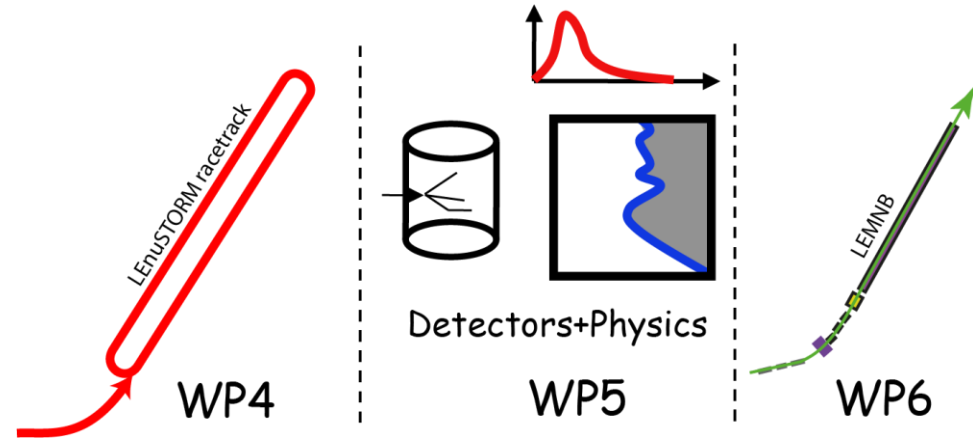
civil engineering  
+mining



WP2



WP3



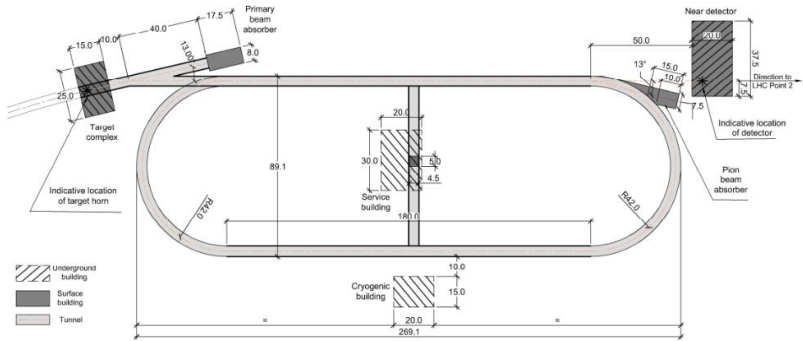
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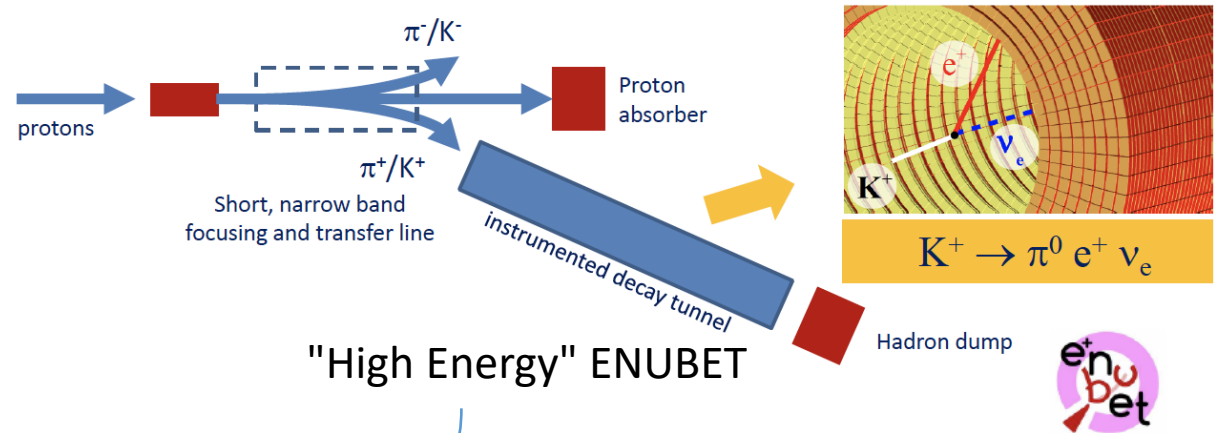
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- cross-sections
- sterile neutrinos

- cross-sections



"High Energy" nuSTORM

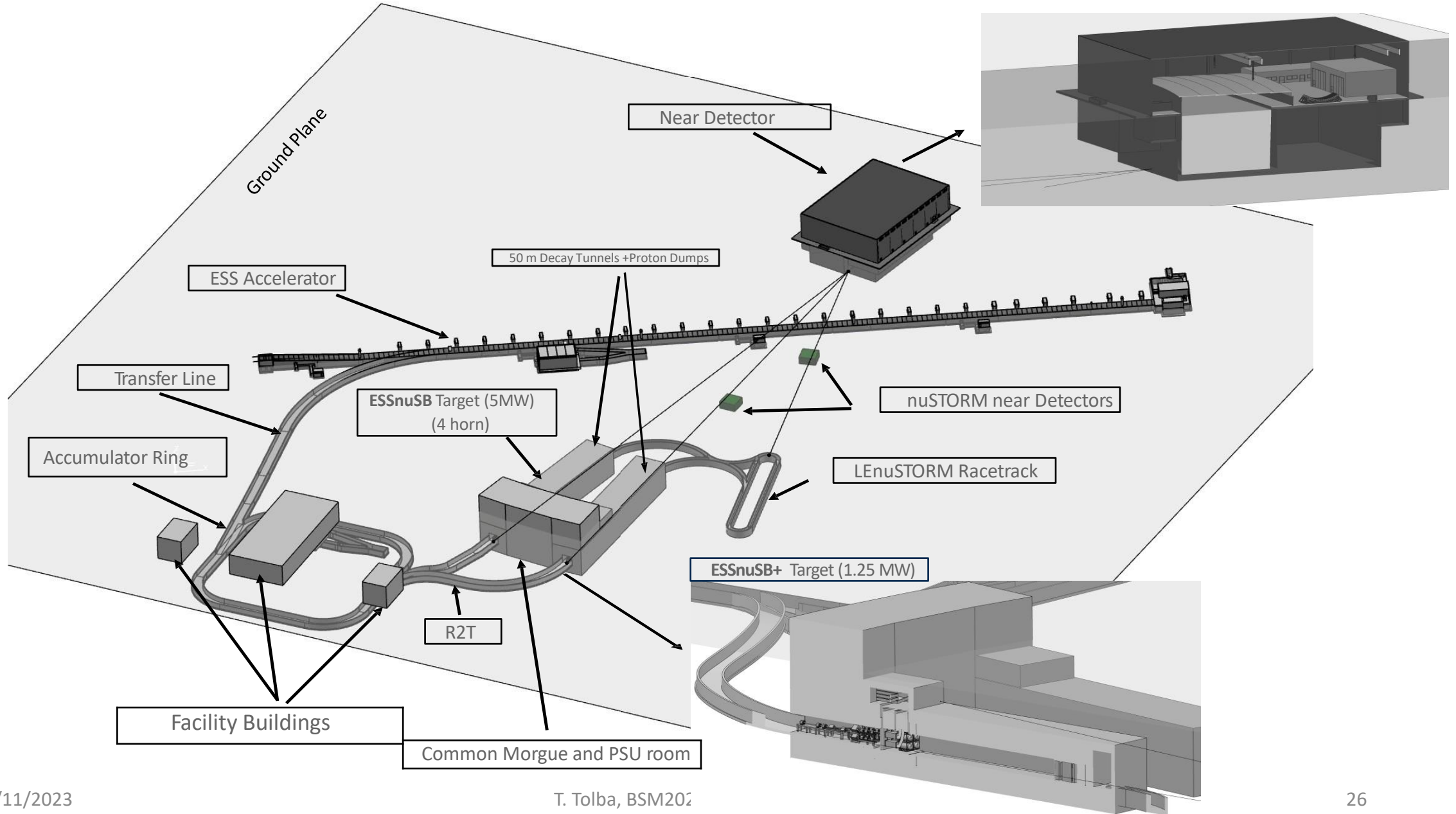


"High Energy" ENUBET



build a "Low Energy" version

# ESS and *ESSνSB* and *ESSνSB+* site layout



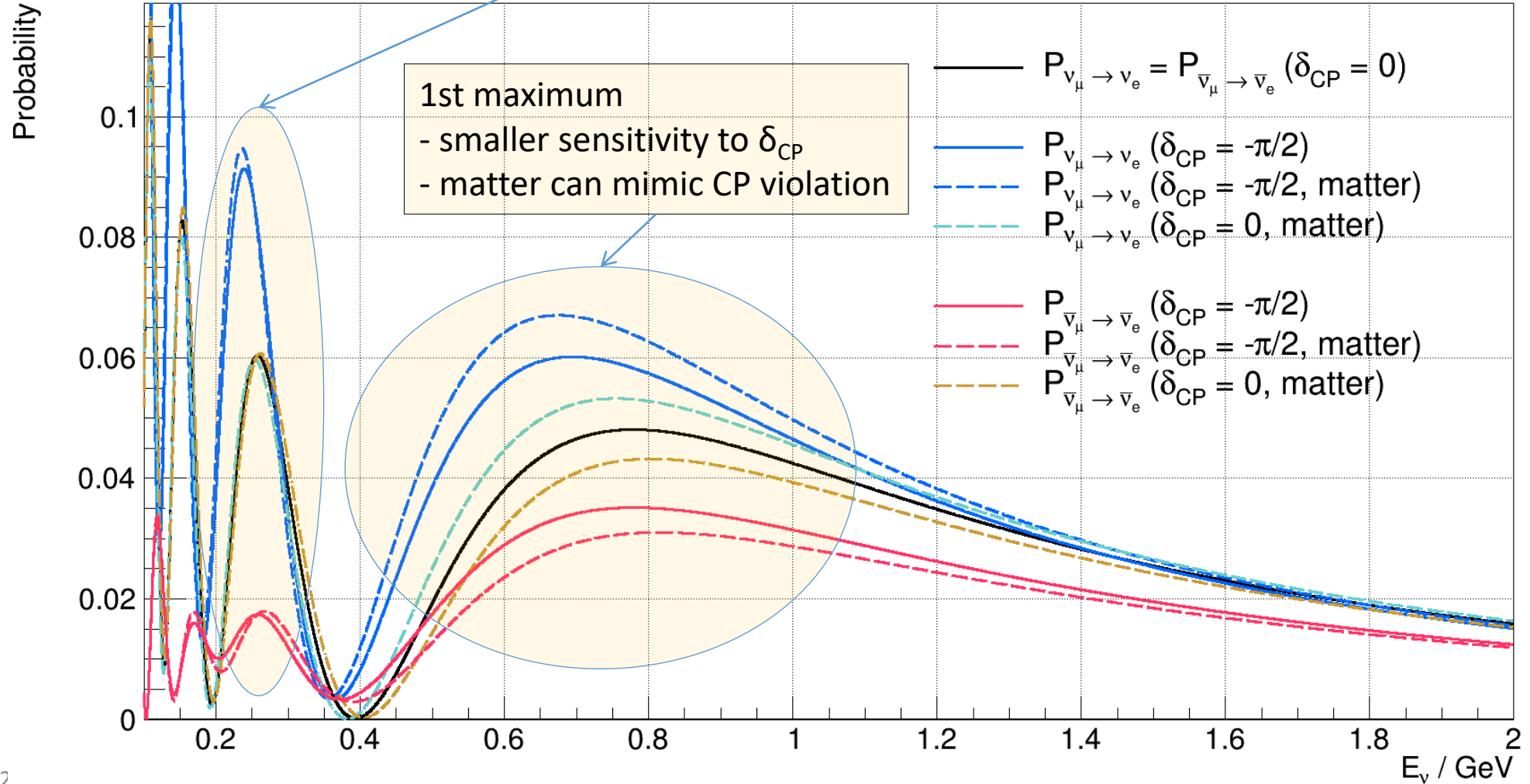
- The ESS proton linac will be soon the most powerful linac in the world, something which cannot be ignored.
- ESS can also become a neutrino facility (ESSvSB ) with enough protons to go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> oscillation maximum and increase significantly the CPV sensitivity and precise measurement of  $\delta_{CP}$ .
- CPV: 5  $\sigma$  could be reached over 70% of  $\delta_{CP}$  range by ESSvSB with large physics potential with less than 8° precision.
- The European Spallation Source will be ready by 2025, upgrade decisions by this moment.
- Conceptual Design Report published.
- Rich muon program for future ESS upgrades.
- **New application now accepted by EU: ESSnuSB+ already started!**

Spare slides

# Matter effects

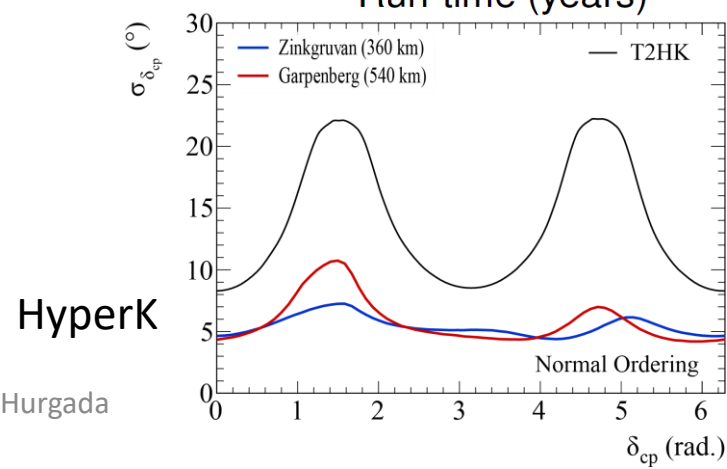
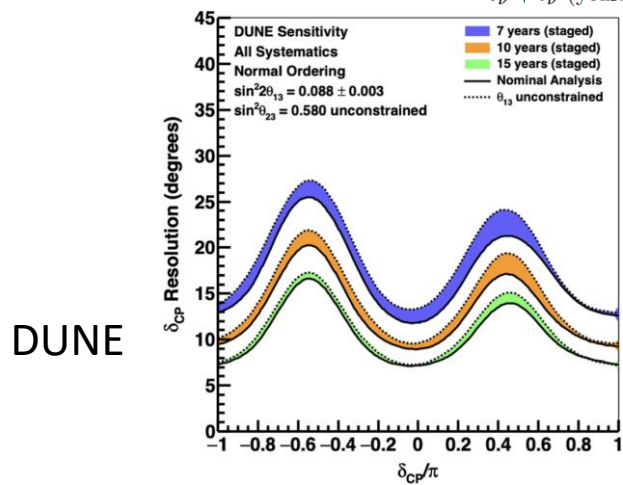
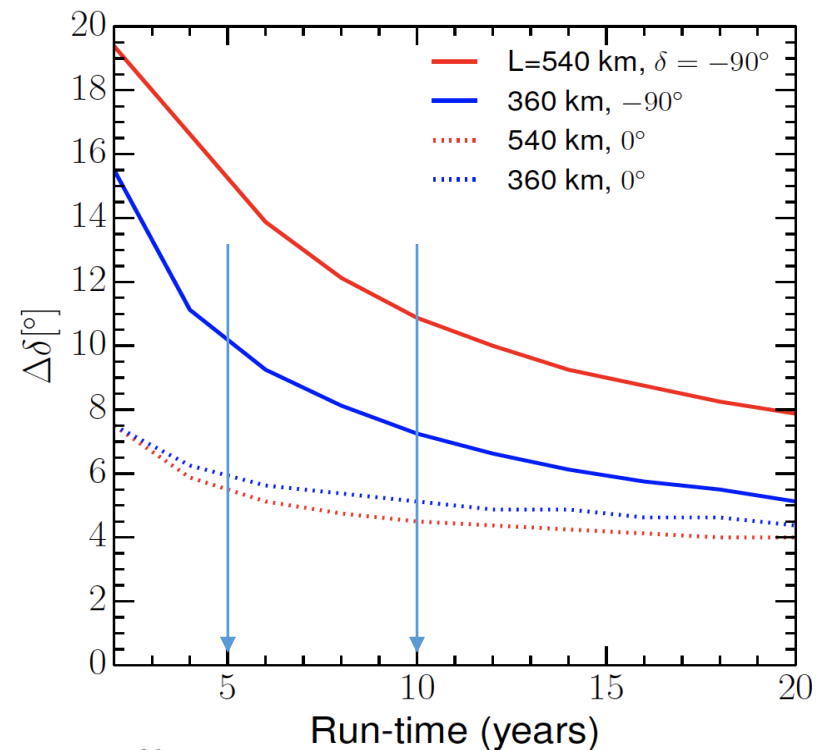
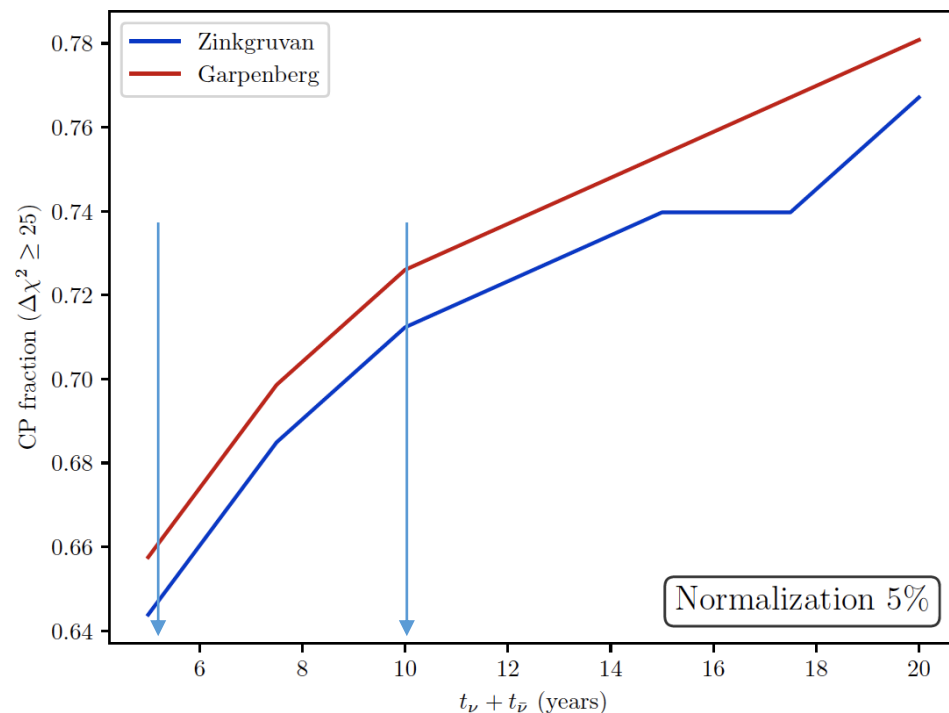
2nd maximum  
- larger sensitivity to  $\delta_{CP}$   
- matter doesn't matter

(L = 360 km)



# Performance Comparison with Other Experiments

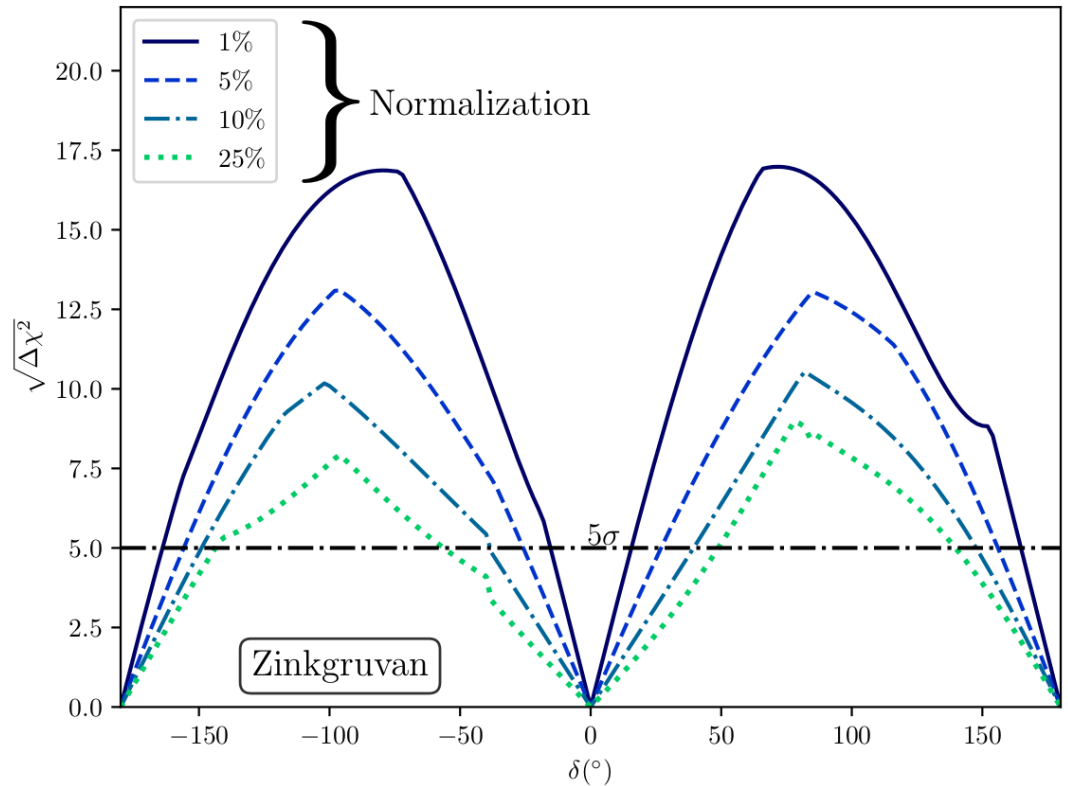
Already after 5 years very competitive performance



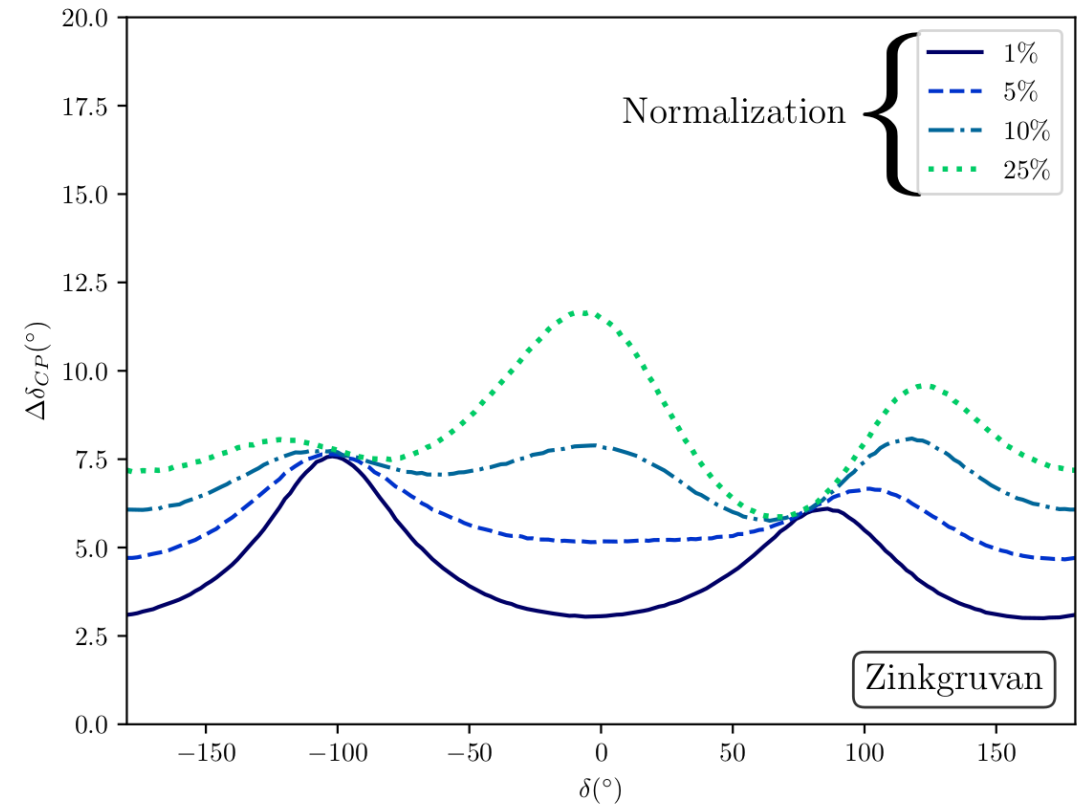
# Effect of normalization uncertainty Future Opportunities

- ESSnuSB**
- $\theta_{12} = 33.44^\circ$
  - $\theta_{13} = 8.57^\circ$
  - $\theta_{23} = 49.2^\circ$
  - $\Delta m^2_{21} = 7.42e-5$
  - $\Delta m^2_{31} = +2.52e-3$
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> osc. max.
  - 507 ktons far detector

Sensitivity

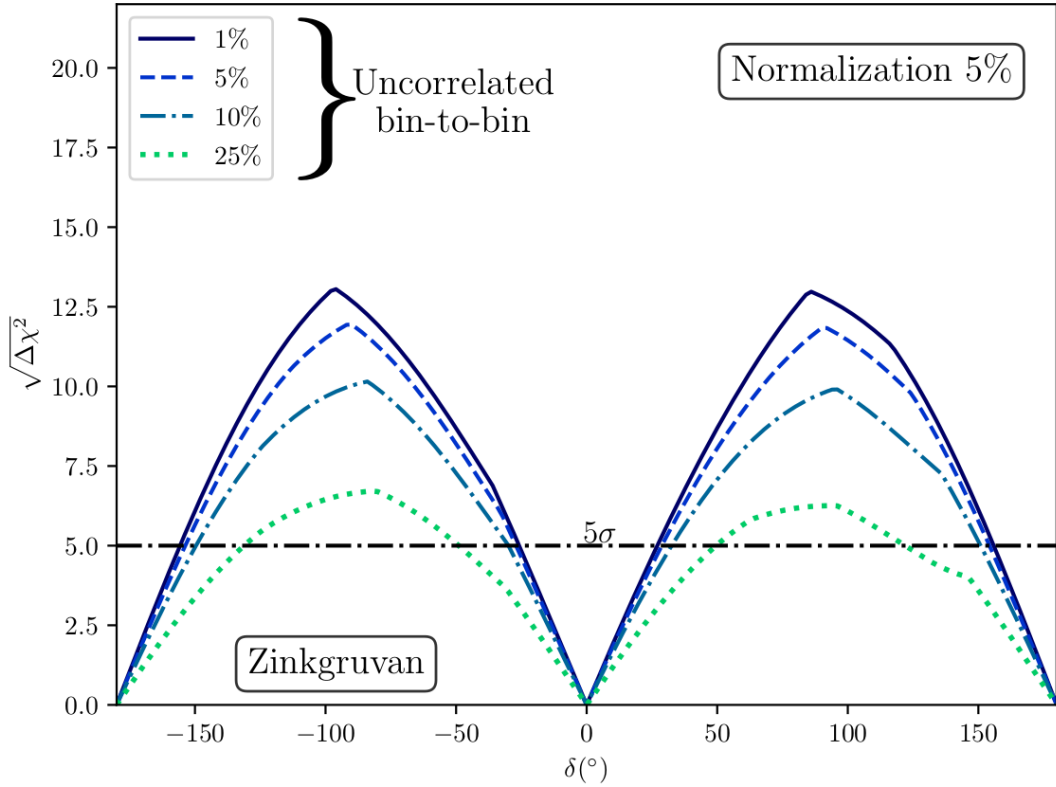


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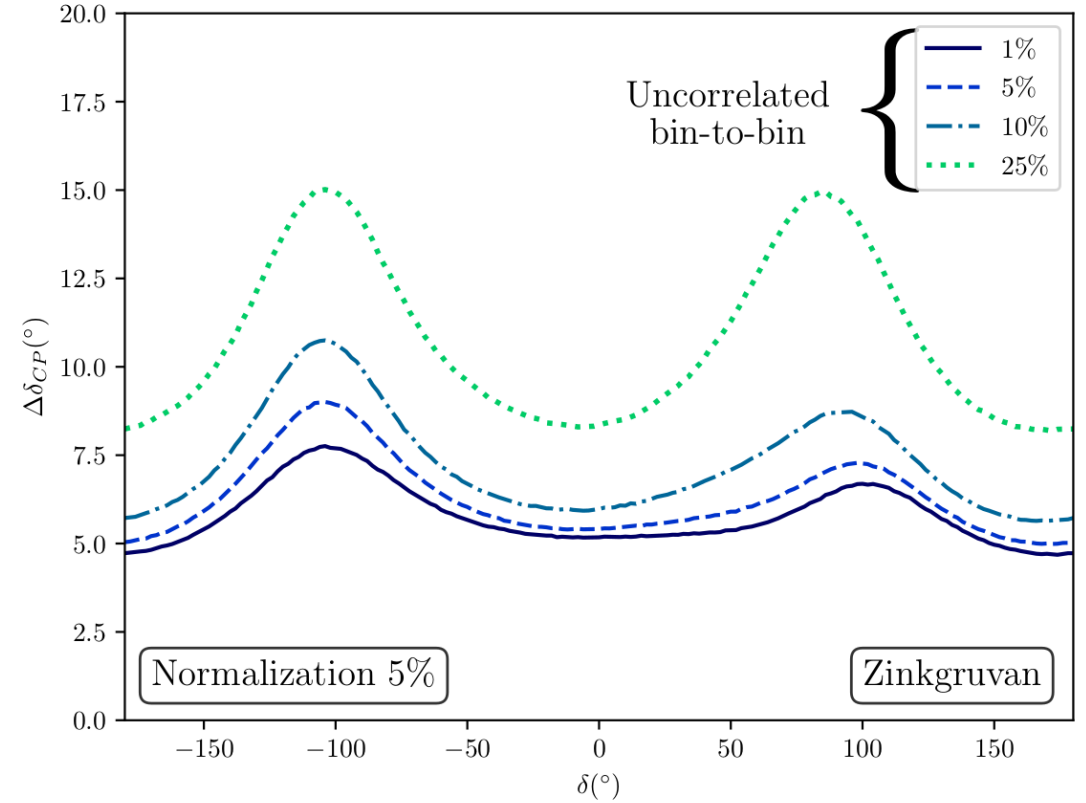


# Effect of bin-to-bin uncorrelated uncertainty

### Sensitivity



### Precision

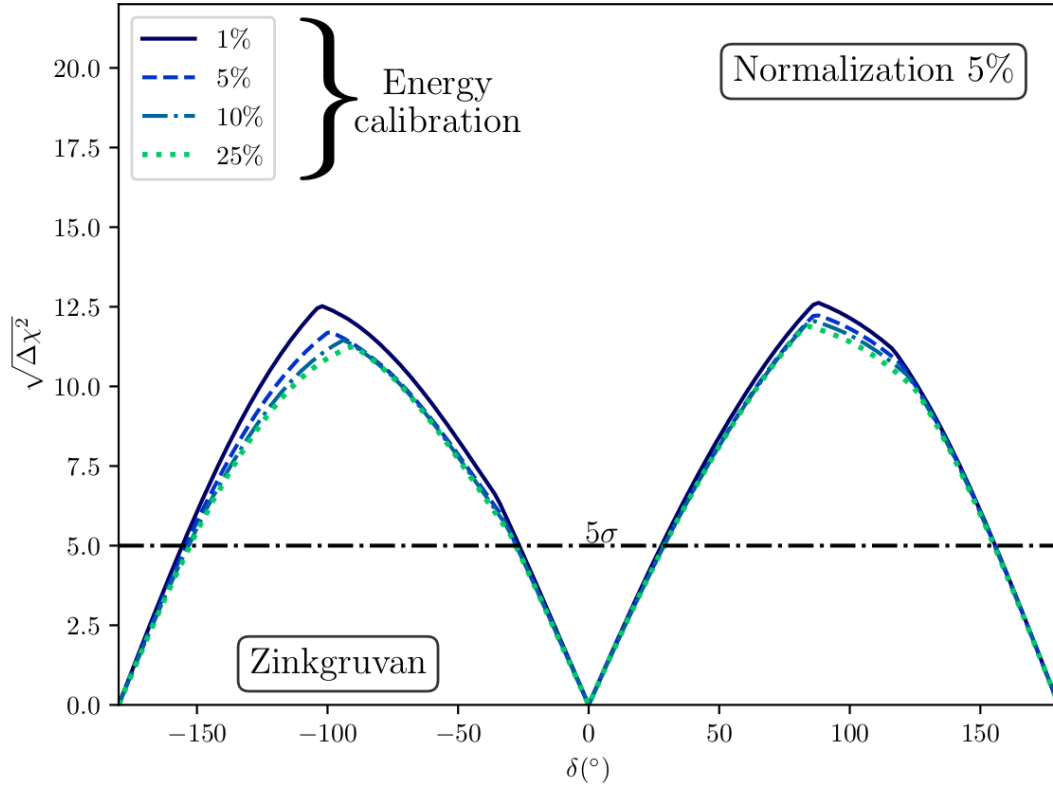




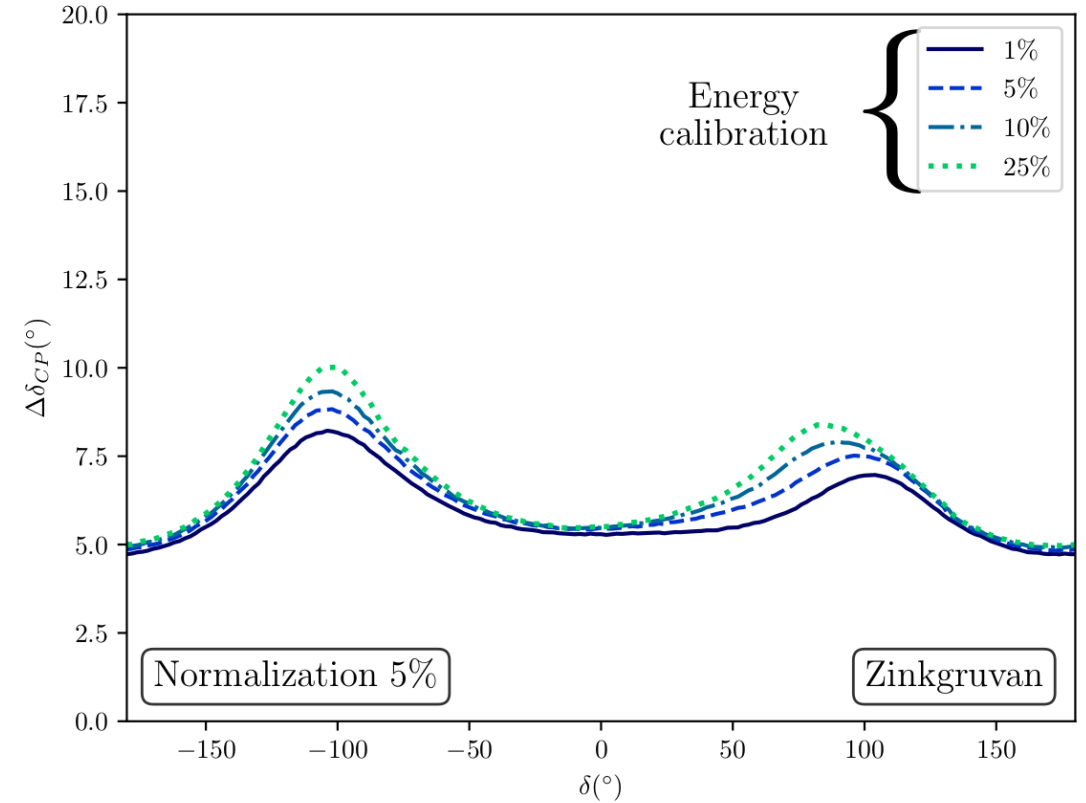
# Effect of energy calibration uncertainty

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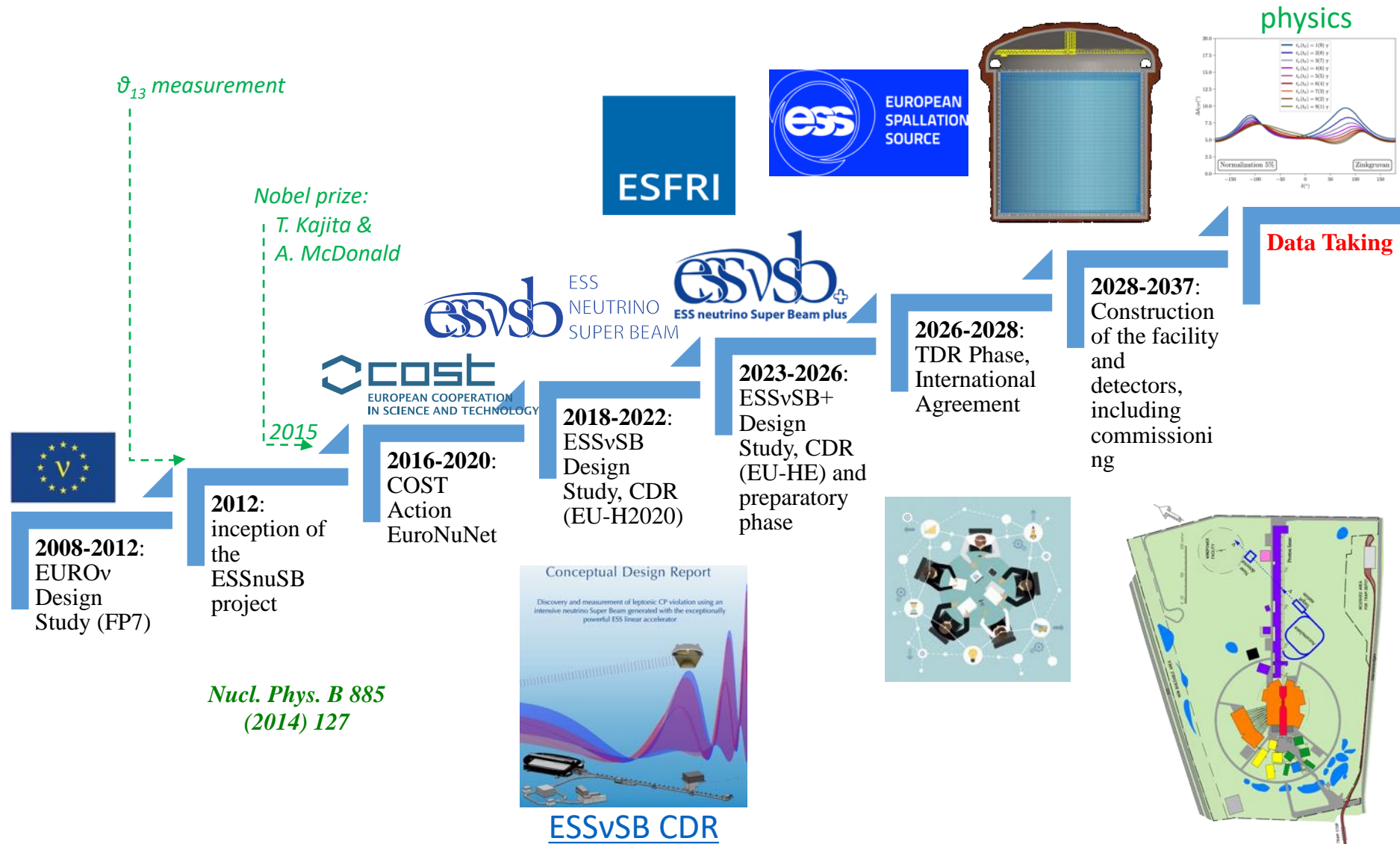
Precision



Systematics	SB			BB			NF		
	Opt.	Def.	Cons.	Opt.	Def.	Cons.	Opt.	Def.	Cons.
Fiducial volume ND	0.2%	0.5%	1%	0.2%	0.5%	1%	0.2%	0.5%	1%
Fiducial volume FD (incl. near-far extrap.)	1%	2.5%	5%	1%	2.5%	5%	1%	2.5%	5%
Flux error signal $\nu$	5%	7.5%	10%	1%	2%	2.5%	0.1%	0.5%	1%
Flux error background $\nu$	10%	15%	20%	correlated			correlated		
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Flux error background $\bar{\nu}$	20%	30%	40%	correlated			correlated		
Background uncertainty	5%	7.5%	10%	5%	7.5%	10%	10%	15%	20%
Cross secs $\times$ eff. QE <sup>†</sup>	10%	15%	20%	10%	15%	20%	10%	15%	20%
Cross secs $\times$ eff. RES <sup>†</sup>	10%	15%	20%	10%	15%	20%	10%	15%	20%
Cross secs $\times$ eff. DIS <sup>†</sup>	5%	7.5%	10%	5%	7.5%	10%	5%	7.5%	10%
Effec. ratio $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$ QE <sup>*</sup>	3.5%	11%	–	3.5%	11%	–	–	–	–
Effec. ratio $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$ RES <sup>*</sup>	2.7%	5.4%	–	2.7%	5.4%	–	–	–	–
Effec. ratio $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$ DIS <sup>*</sup>	2.5%	5.1%	–	2.5%	5.1%	–	–	–	–
Matter density	1%	2%	5%	1%	2%	5%	1%	2%	5%

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# ESSvSB Project Time Evolution



- The large underground water Cherenkov detector of ESSnuSB will have the largest volume in the world, it will also be the most sensitive detector for measuring neutrinos from **galactic supernova explosions**, enabling tests of different models for the time evolution and mechanism of such explosions.
- It would also be possible to make sensitive measurements of the amount and energy distribution of neutrinos in the Universe that remain from all **earlier supernova explosions**.
- Furthermore, ESSnuSB would enable the most sensitive search for **proton decay**, the detection of which would be a direct proof of the baryon-number non-conservation that is required by leptogenesis theories.
- The Far Detector will also be sensitive to the **Solar Neutrinos** and **Atmospheric Neutrinos**.