



The Hyper-Kamiokande Experiment Status and Prospect

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Evolution of Kamiokande

Hyper-Kamiokande (2027 -)

258 kton, 40% coverage w/ high QE and timing resolution 50cm PMT

Extended search for proton decay

Precision measurement of neutrino oscillation (CPV and Mass Ordering)

Neutrino Astrophysics

Explore new physics

Super-Kamiokande (1996 -)

50 kton, 40% coverage w/ 50cm PMT

Proton decay: world best-limit

Neutrino oscillation (atm/solar/LBL)

Discovery of neutrino oscillations



2015



2002

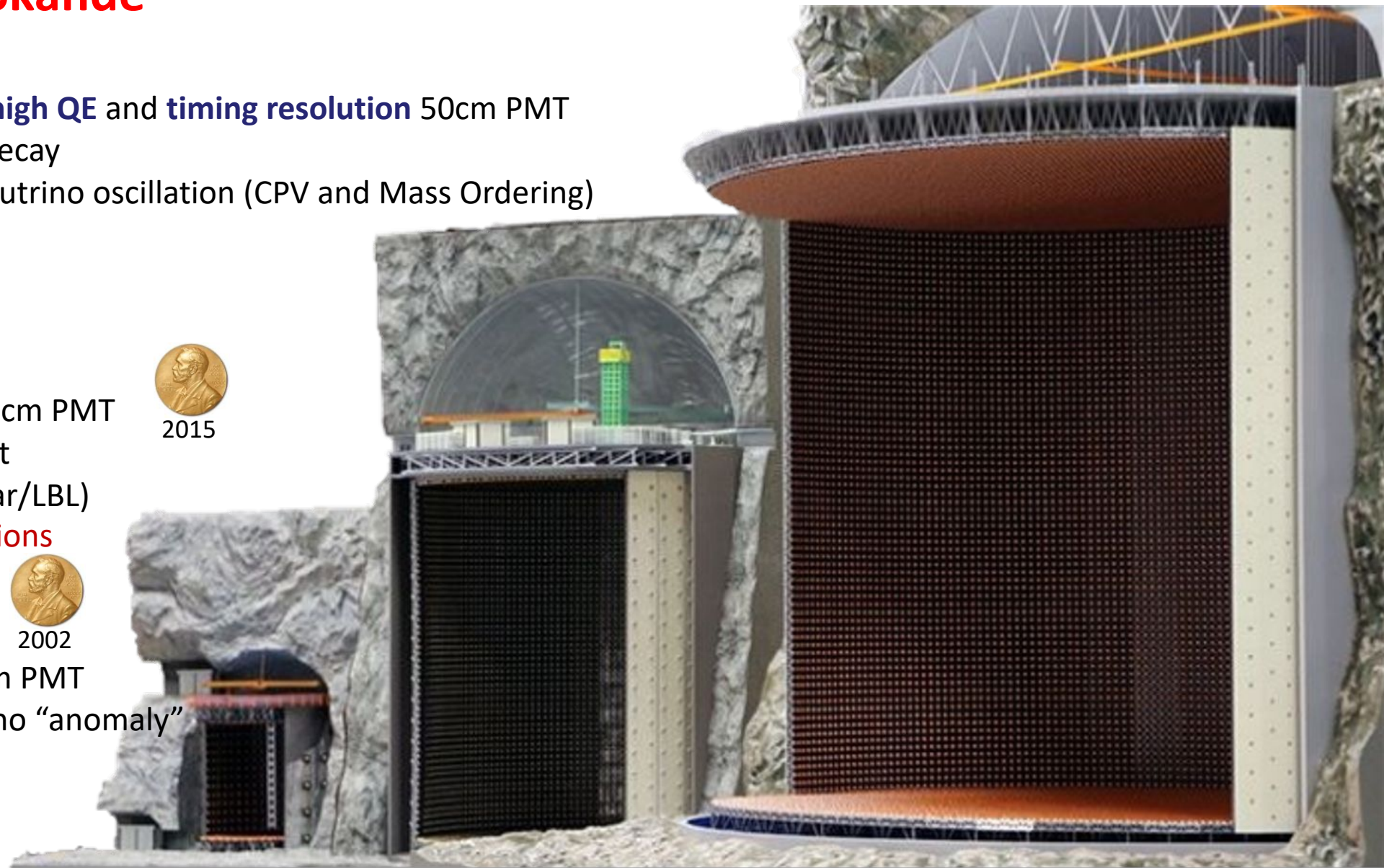
Kamiokande (1983-1996)

3 kton, 20% coverage w/ 50cm PMT

Atmospheric and solar neutrino “anomaly”

Supernova 1987A

Birth of neutrino astrophysics



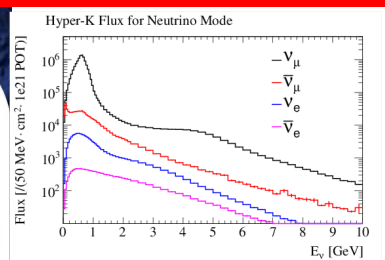
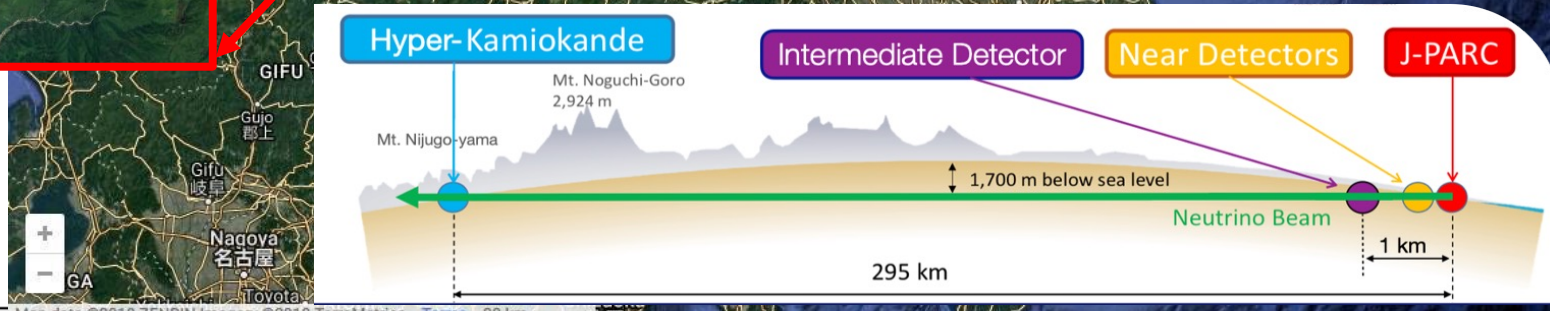
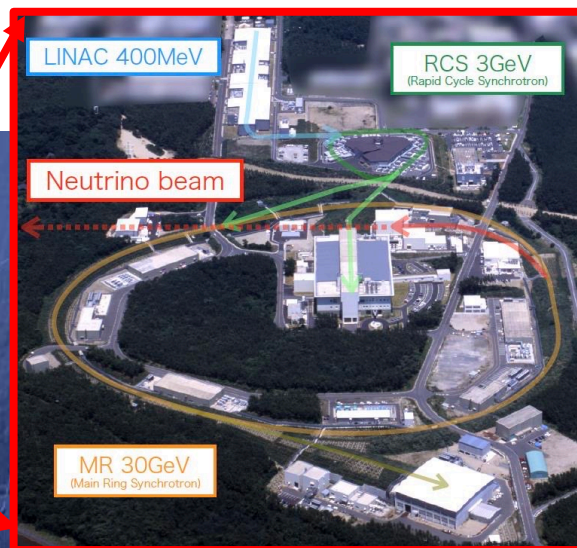
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The Hyper-Kamiokande Project

- Including a neutrino beam, near detector complex and far detector
- Constructing Hyper-Kamiokande far detector at Kamioka
 - 8 km south of Super-Kamiokande
 - 295 km from J-PARC and 2.5° off-axis
 - 600 m rock overburden
- Constructing intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector

Upgrading J-PARC neutrino beam:

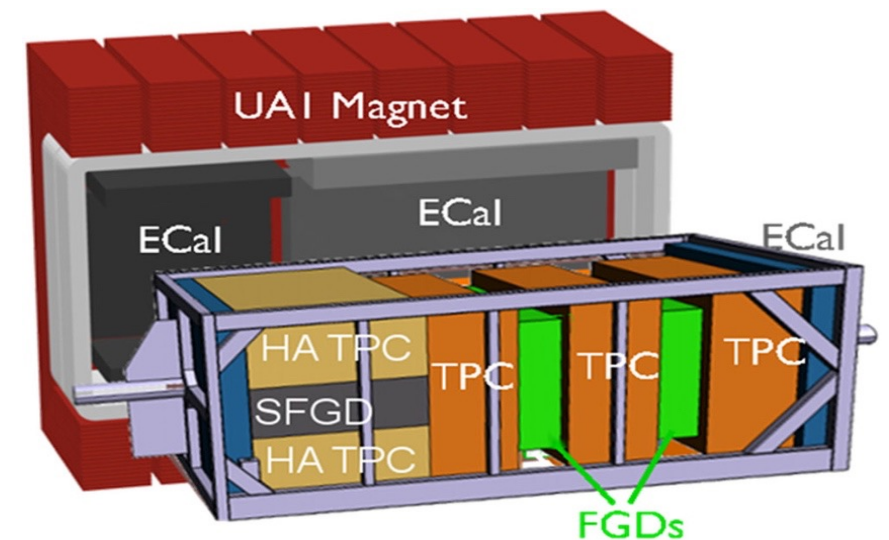
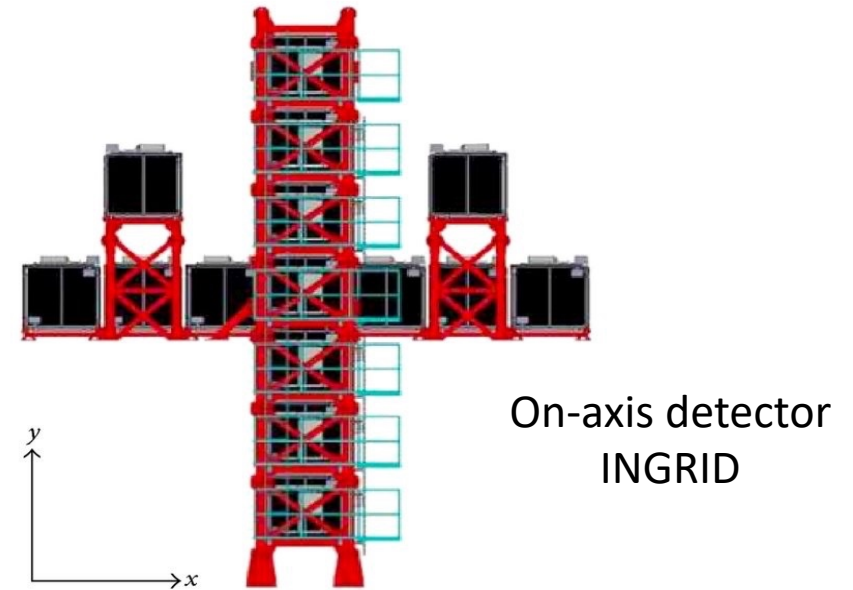
- Power from 515 kW to **1.3 MW**
- Horn current from 250 kA to **320 kA**
- cycle 2.48 s to 1.32 s and finally to 1.16 s
- $\nu : \bar{\nu}$ mode \rightarrow **1:3**



[arXiv:1805.04163](https://arxiv.org/abs/1805.04163)

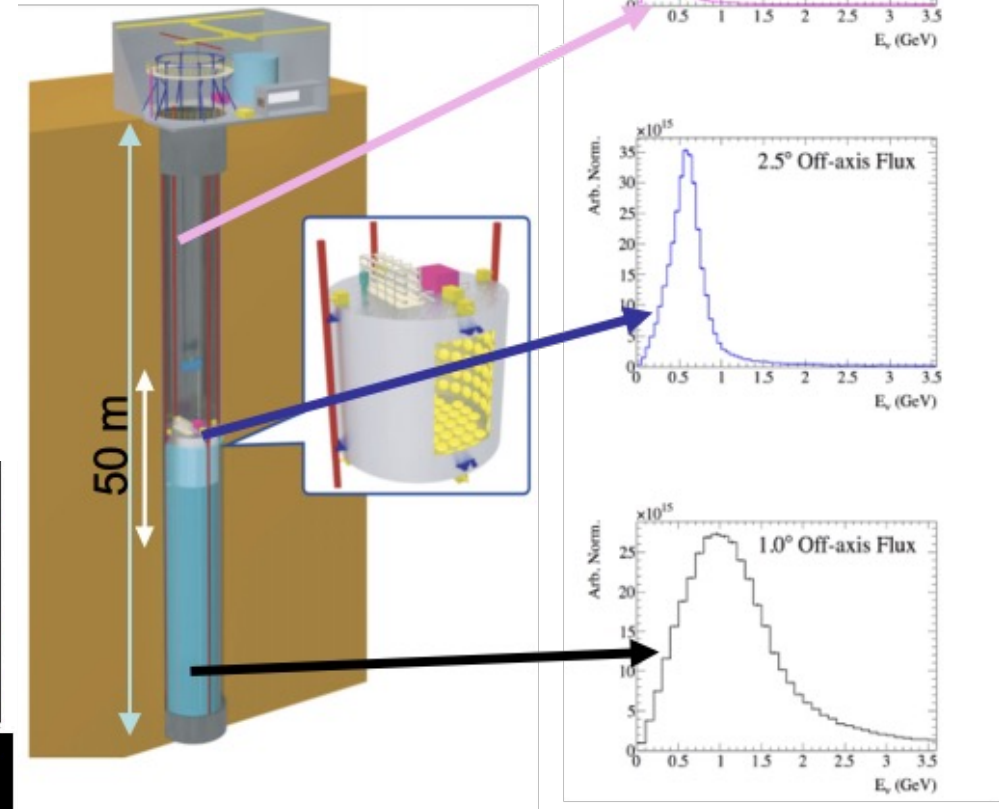
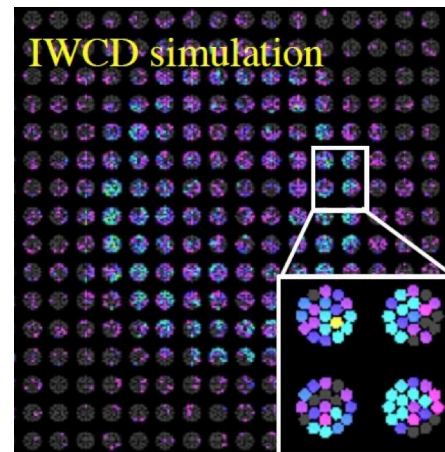
Near Detectors

- Existing near detectors complex located at 280 m from target: **constrain flux and neutrino interaction model uncertainty and measure event rates before oscillation takes place**
- On-axis detector:** measure beam direction with <0.25 mrad accuracy, monitor event rate to ensure stable beam operation
- Off-axis magnetized tracker:**
 - ND280 off-axis detector upgraded** by replacing pi0 detector by three new subdetectors. **SuperFGD**, fine grained, fully active PS detector (2M $1 \times 1 \times 1$ cm³ cubes), **High-Angle TPCs** and **Time of Flight planes** installed inside UA1 magnet
 - SuperFGD improves capability to reconstruct low-energy particles and neutrons
 - the improve the angular acceptance
 - **charge separation, measurement of wrong-sign background, study of recoil system, constrain predictions for far detector**



Intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector (IWCD)

- About **1 kton water Cherenkov detector**, ~ 8 m diameter and ~ 6 m in height, located at ~ 1 km from target
- **Precise cross-section measurements on water**
 - **Same detection technique** and **target material** as Hyper-K
 - **Reduce highly systematic uncertainties** on ν cross-section models, detector model
- Use **PRISM approach**, moving IWCD vertically
 - Constrain flux at different off-axis angles (1 to 4 degrees)
 - Different E_ν peaks
 - Linear combinations mimic mono-energetic beam
- Instrumented with **multi-PMTs (mPMT)**
 - ~ 400 mPMT; 19 8 cm PMTs in a module
 - **High granularity and timing res.**

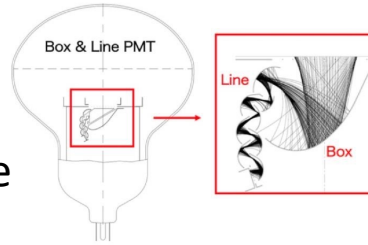


Far Detector: The Hyper-Kamiokande detector

- 71 m in height, 68 m in diameter; 258 kton of ultrapure water
- Divided into two optically separated parts using high reflectivity Tyvek sheets: the **Inner Detector (ID)** as the main active volume and the **Outer Detector (OD)**, covering the ID to act as a veto against incoming particles.
- 216 kton inner detector with **fiducial volume of ~188 kton**

Inner detector:

- 64.8 m diameter, 65.8 m height.
- ~**20000 50 cm PMTs** (Box&Line PMT R12860)
 - High QE, time resolution, pressure tolerance
(x2 better than SK)
 - dark rate reduction, low radioactivity, cover development
 - long-term performance evaluation in Super-K
- ~**800 multi-PMT modules**, increase overall light collection, providing improved timing and vertex resolutions as well as particle identification



Outer detector:

- 1 m barrel or 2m top/bottom thick.
- **3600 8 cm PMTs + WLS plates** to enhance Cherenkov photon yields.



OD-PMT + WLS plate



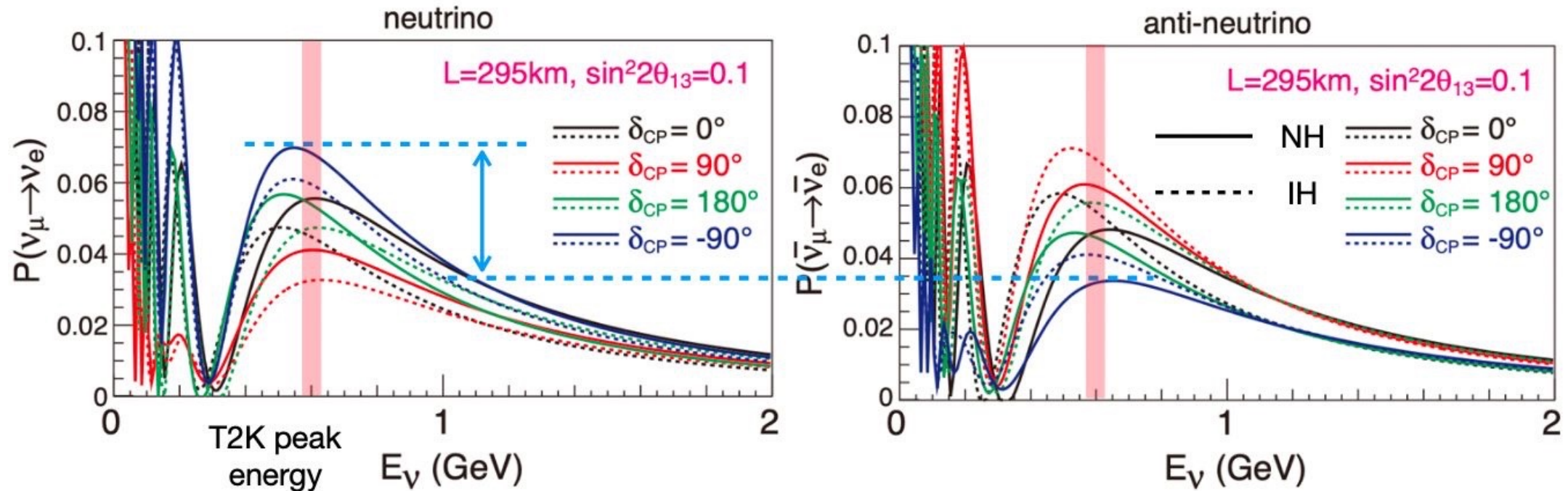
multi-PMT

Physics program 1: Oscillation measurement

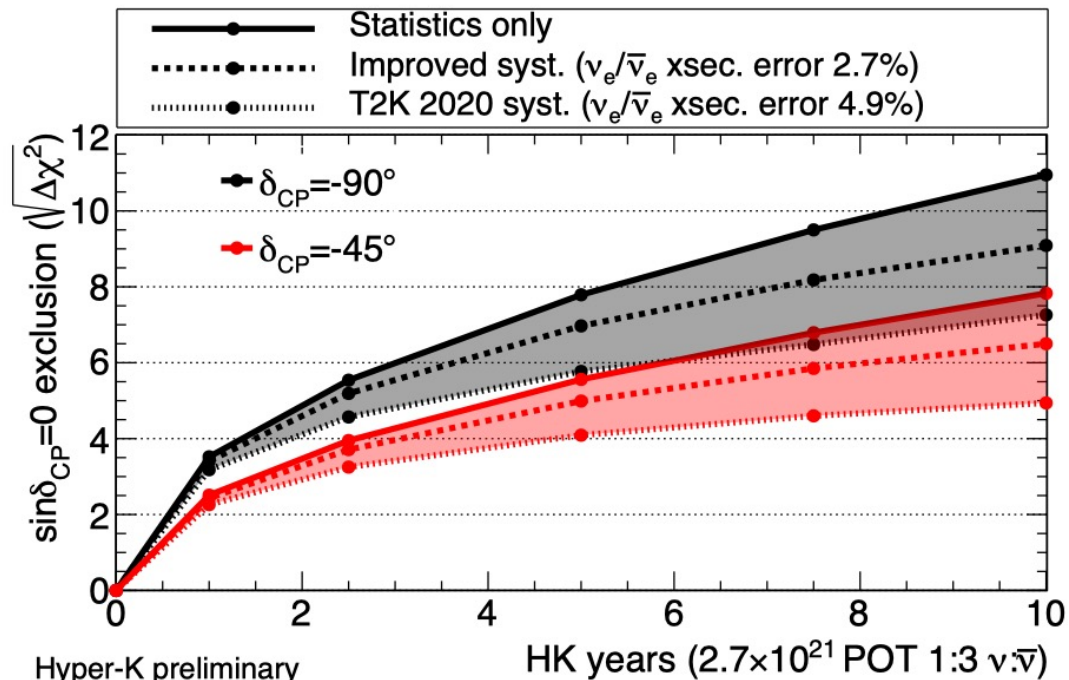
- Measuring CP violation in neutrinos by comparing $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ and $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 4s_{12}c_{12}s_{13}c_{13}^2s_{23}c_{23}\sin\delta_{CP} \left[\sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{23}^2 L}{2E}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E}\right) \right]$$

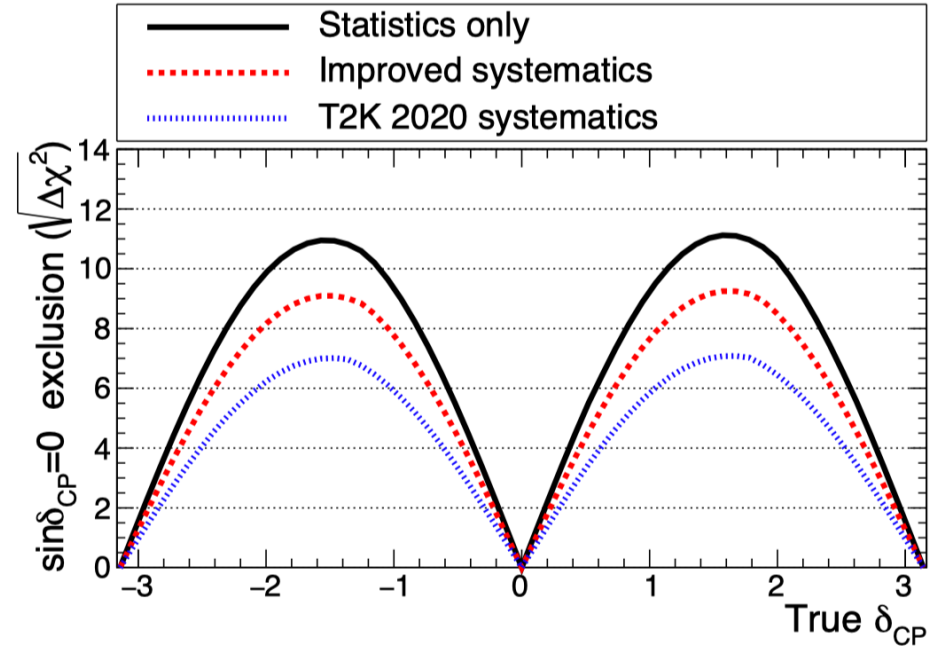
- At $L = 295$ km, $E\nu \approx 0.6$ GeV: effect of CP violation up to 28% while matter effect only 7%
- After **10 years of operations**, expecting more than **1000 ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ signal events** with few statistical uncertainty
- Near detectors very crucial to constrain far detector expectation



Sensitivity on CP violation



Hyper-K preliminary
 True normal ordering (known)
 $\sin^2\theta_{13} = 0.0218 \pm 0.0007$, $\sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.528$, $\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.509 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2/c^4$



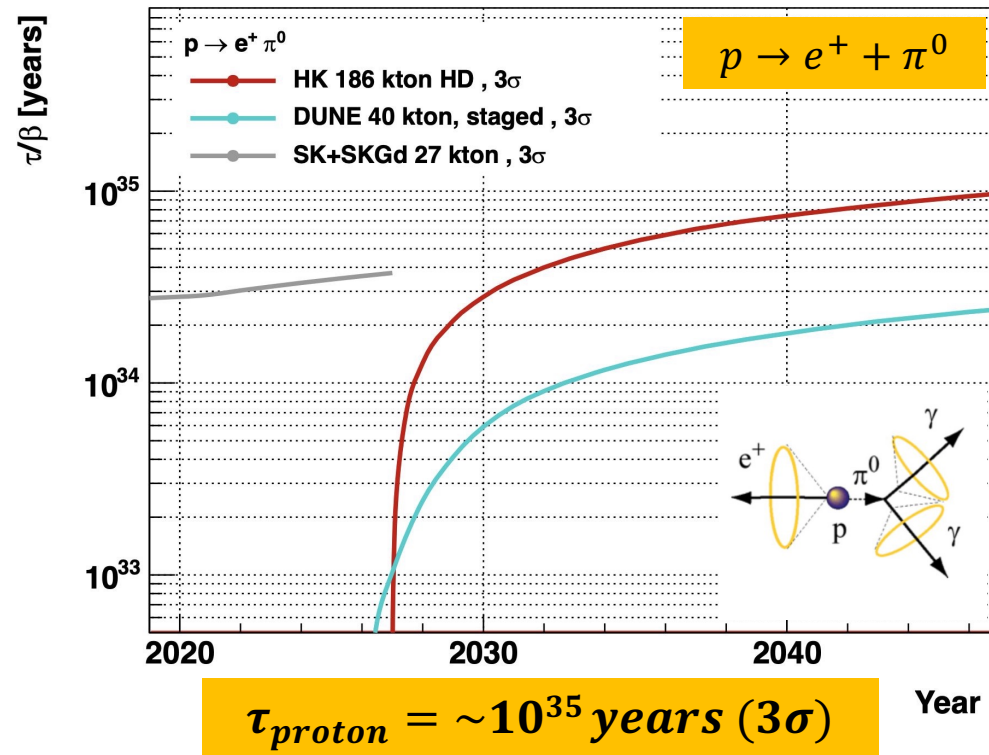
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- Profiting from the first day well understood neutrino beam and near detector complex (15 years of run by T2K)
 - fast and precise measurement of CPV
- Assuming known mass hierarchy and improvement on systematic errors, we expect **in 2-3 years to exclude CP conservation at 5σ for true $\delta_{CP} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$.**
- Adding IWCD and near detector complex have sizable impact on reduction of systematic uncertainty.
- After 10 years of operation, **60% of δ_{CP} values excluded at more than 5σ .**

Proton Decay

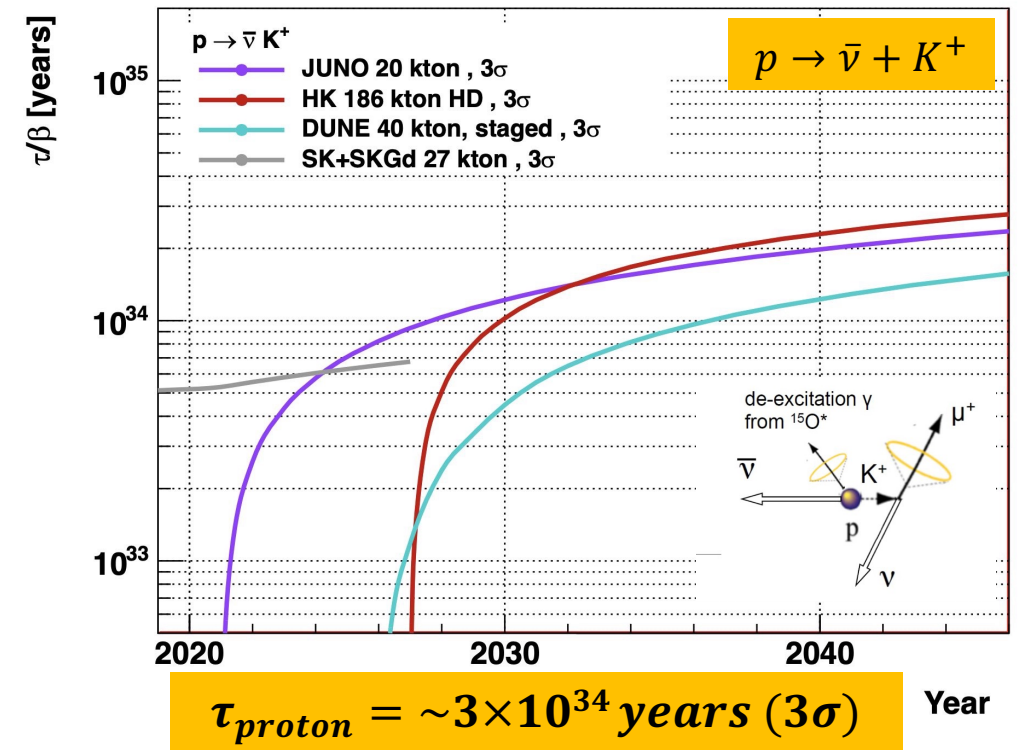
- Proton decay is a key phenomenon of Grand Unified Theories beyond the Standard Model
- Two favorite modes from two dominant classes of GUT models:

$$p \rightarrow e^+ + \pi^0 \text{ and } p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + K^+$$
- Hyper-Kamiokande **10 years operation** assuming $\tau_{proton} = 1.7 \times 10^{34} \text{ years}$ (\sim SK limit)



Very clean event topology in Water Cherenkov detectors

Requires 2γ & reconstructed energy = Invariant M_p
 Background: Atmospheric ν producing e.g. a π^0



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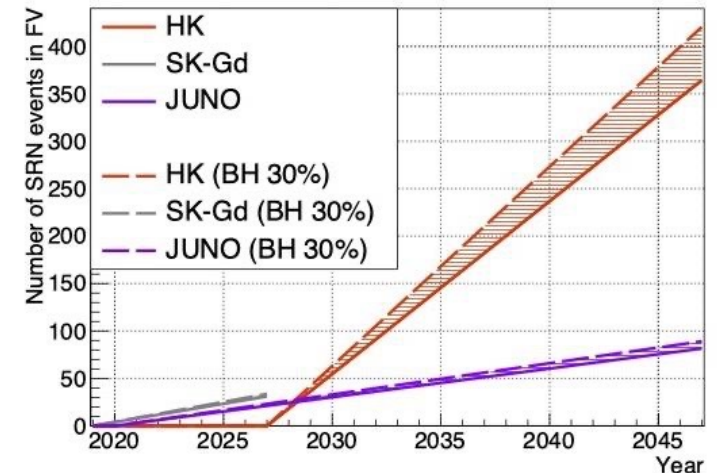
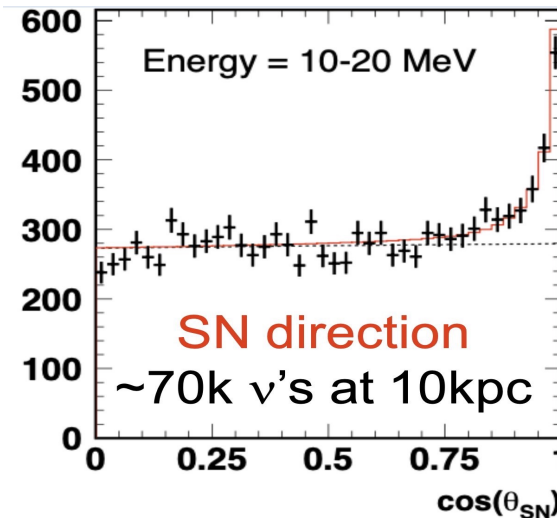
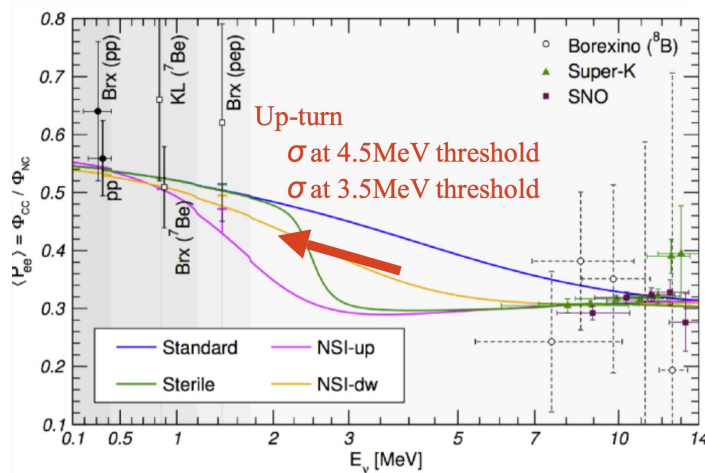
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu$ (64%) 236 MeV μ^+

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^0$ (21%) 205 MeV π^+ back to back photons

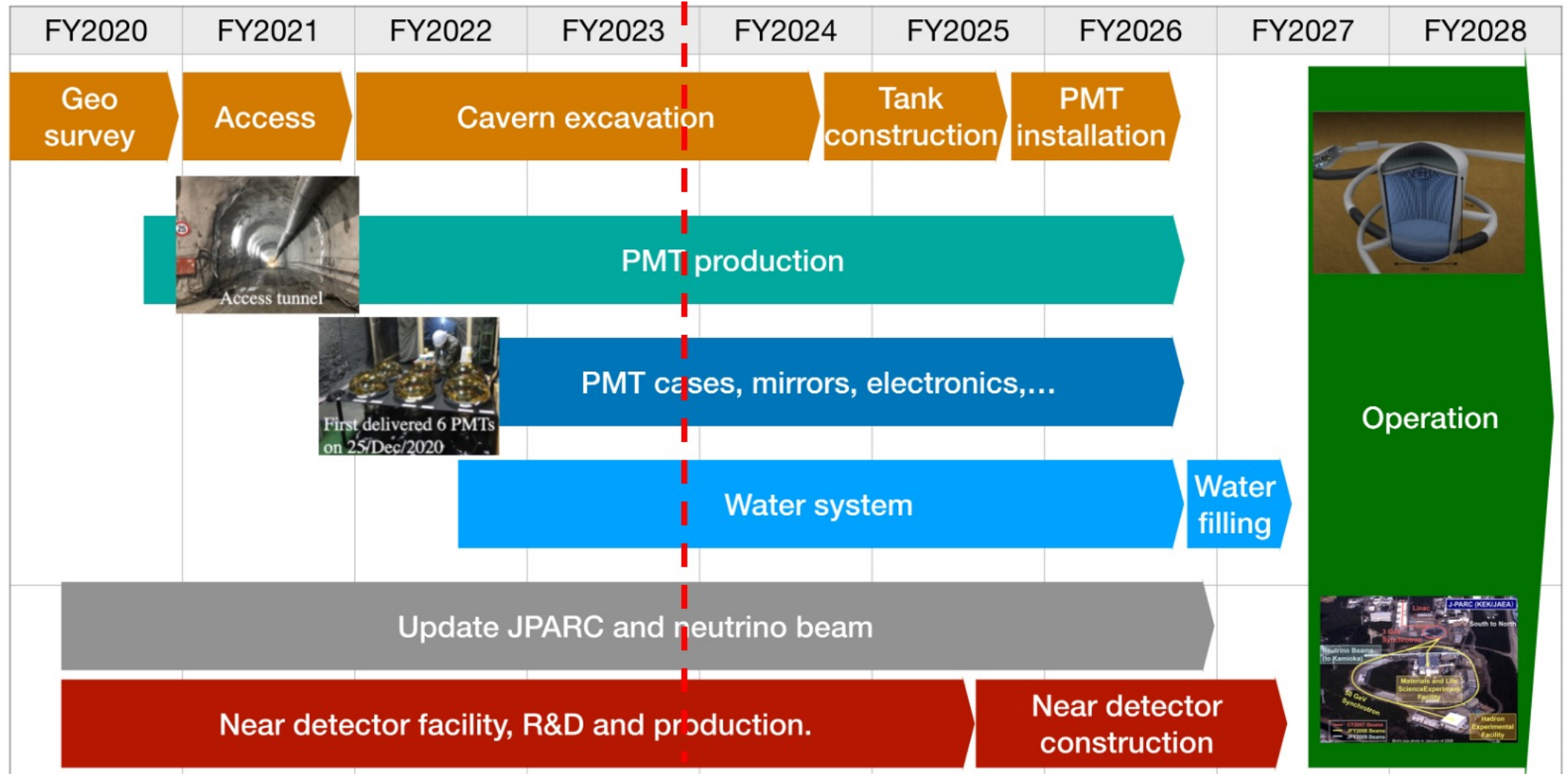
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Neutrino Astrophysics

- Hyper-Kamiokande as a **multimessenger observatory**, through observation of a few ~ 10 MeV neutrinos with time, energy and direction information.
- **Detecting solar neutrino interactions** with unprecedented statistical power allows to study upturn at the vacuum-MSW transition, day/night asymmetry, the first measurement of hep solar neutrinos
- For a **supernova at 10kpc**, large number of neutrino events above 7 MeV would be detected within a few seconds. The direction of the supernova can be reconstructed with an accuracy of about 1° : study explosion mechanism, black hole/neutron star formation. [arXiv:2101.05269](https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.05269)
- Studying **Supernova Relic neutrinos** (SRN) provides information on stellar collapse, nucleosynthesis, and history of the universe
- And more



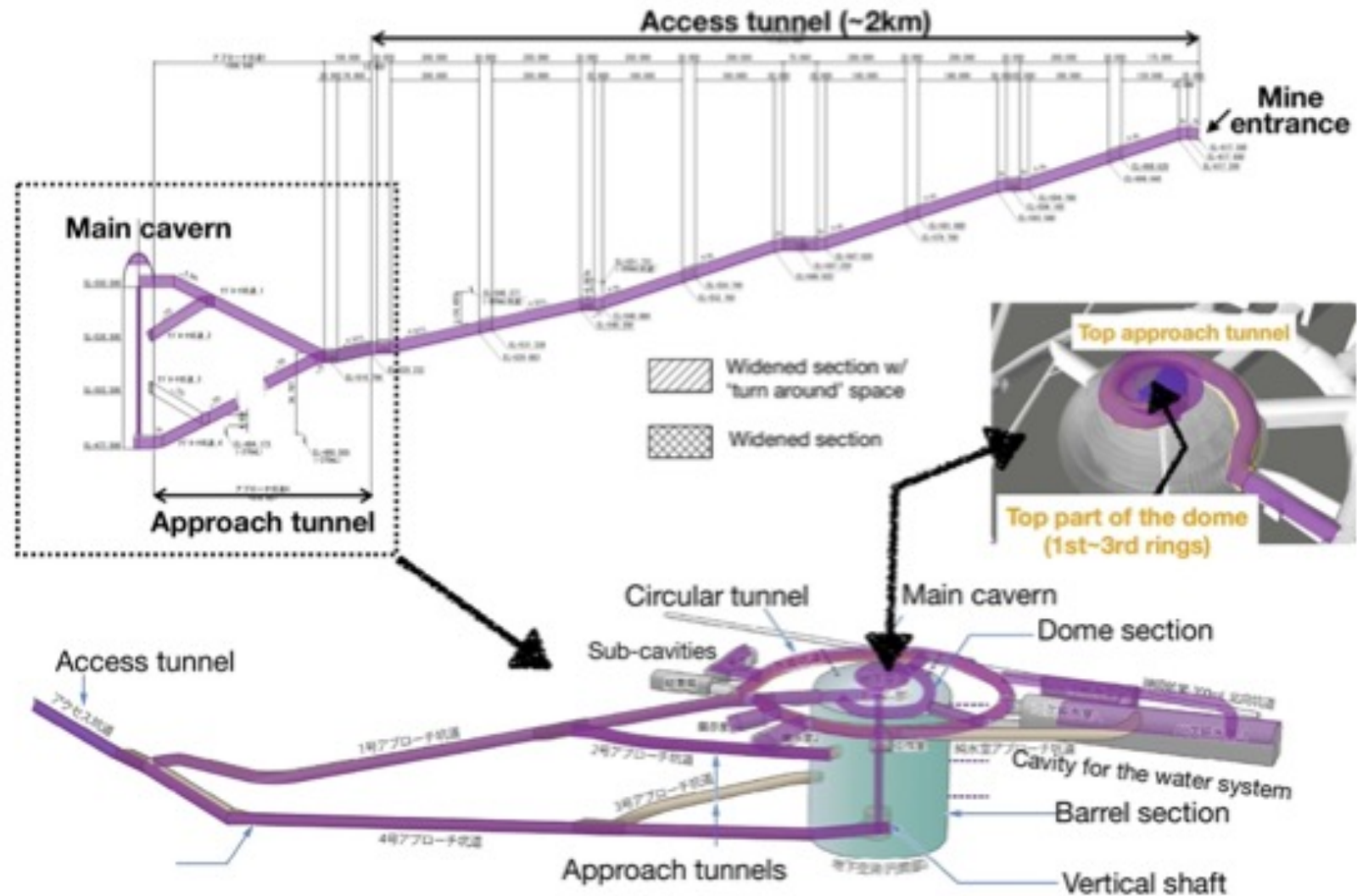
Schedule



- Approved in 2019 by Japanese government.
- **7 years construction** from year 2020; **start operation in 2027.**

Hyper-Kamiokande cavern excavation

- Geographical surveys and site preparation work in **2020**
- Excavation started in **2021**
- Access tunnel excavation completed on **25/02/2022**
- Approach & circular tunnel excavation completed, and reaching the center of the cavern dome on **23/06/2023**
- Main cavern excavation has started on-time!
- **Dome section completed in 2023**
- Barrel section to be **completed in 2024**

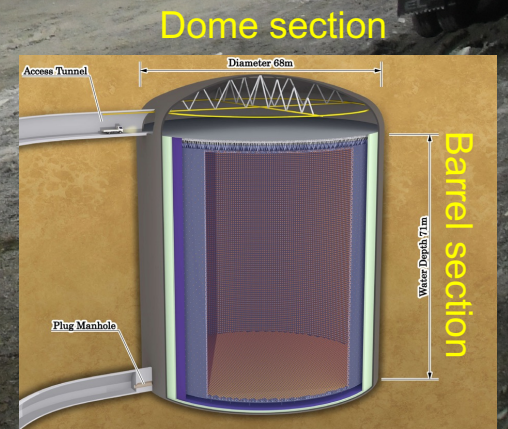


Excavation of the dome section completed on October 3, 2023

- 69 m diameter, 21 m height,
- one of the largest human made underground space
- Excavation of the barrel section is ongoing (72 m)

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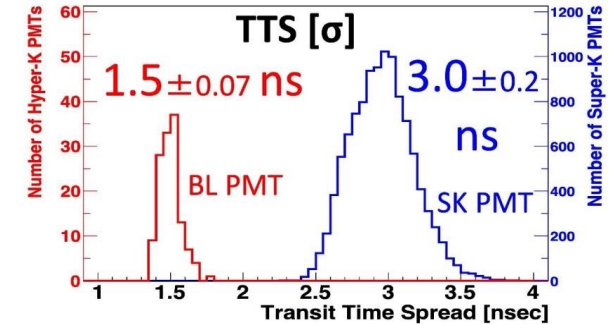
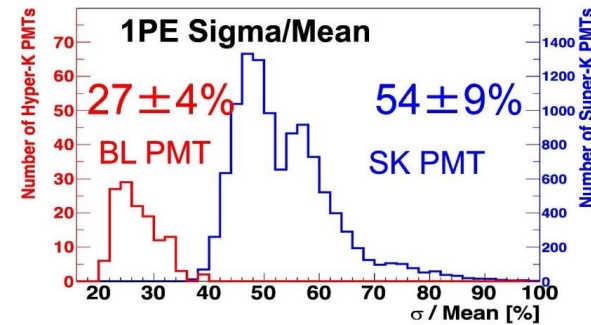
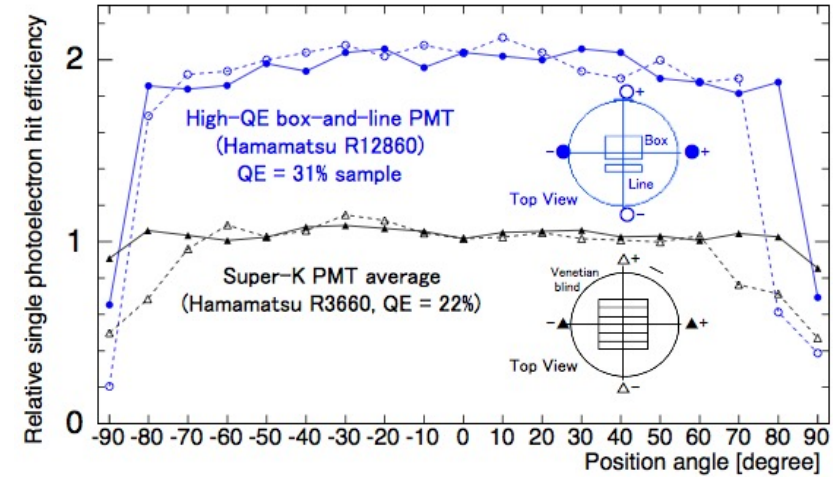
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Hyper-Kamiokande 50 cm PMTs



50 cm PMT production ongoing, >6000 already delivered
Screening both at Hamamatsu and Kamioka

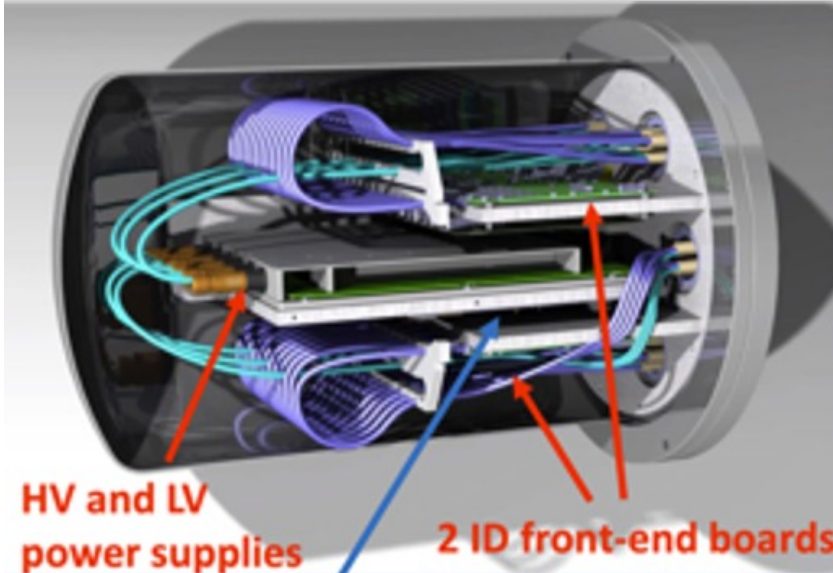
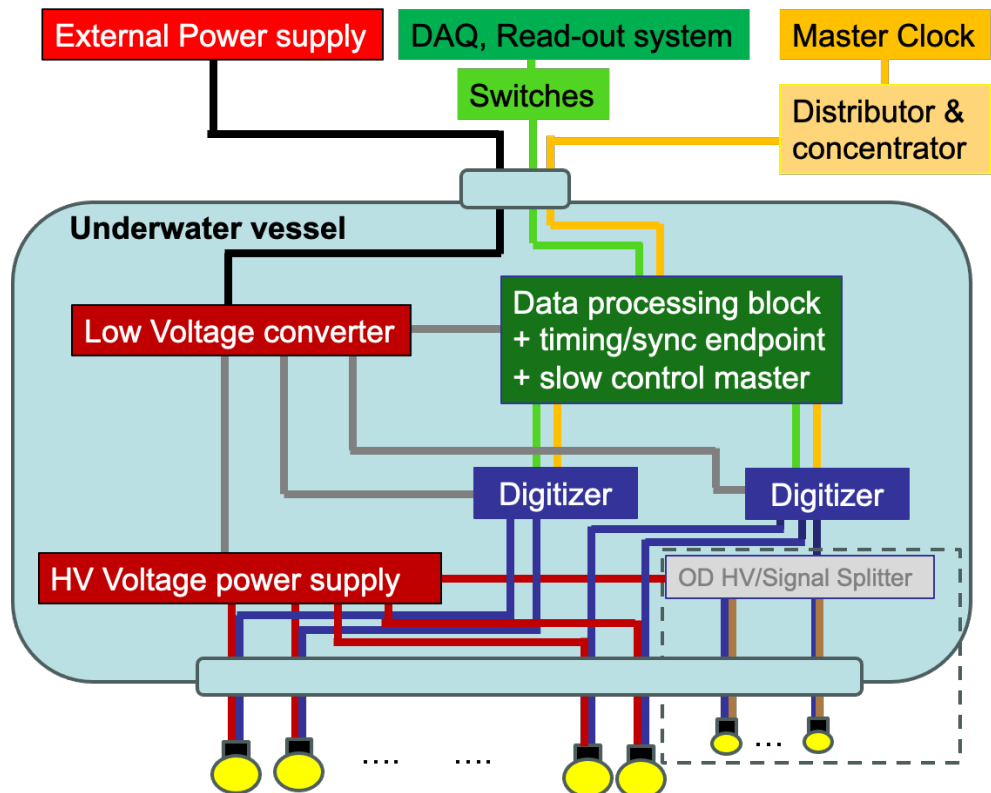


- x2 better photodetection efficiency
- x2 better charge resolutions
- x2 better time resolutions
- Low dark rate (4kHz)
- X2 better pressure tolerance; enable deeper tank design

Hyper-Kamiokande Electronics

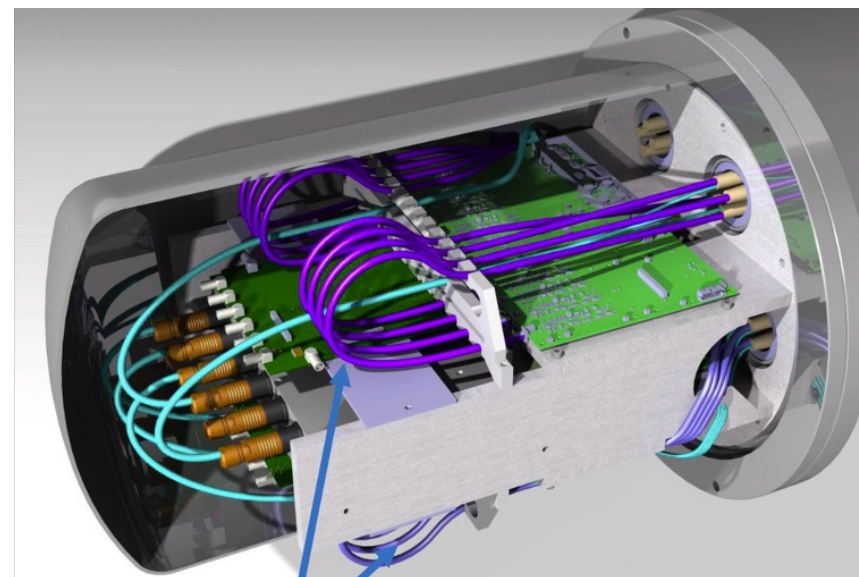
HK electronics including Low voltage, High Voltage Power supply boards, Data Processing boards and Digitizer boards to be **placed in underwater vessels**:

- Reduce the length of the cables to PMTs
- **Inner detector vessels**: 24 ID PMTs
- **Hybrid outer + inner detector vessels**: 20 ID + 12 OD PMTs.



HV and LV power supplies
2 ID front-end boards

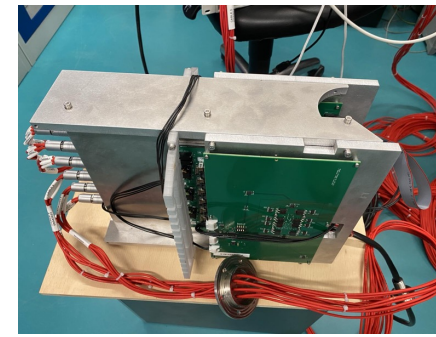
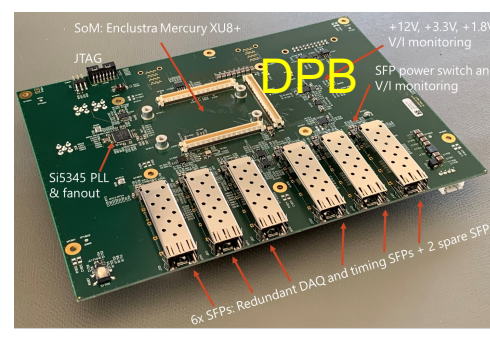
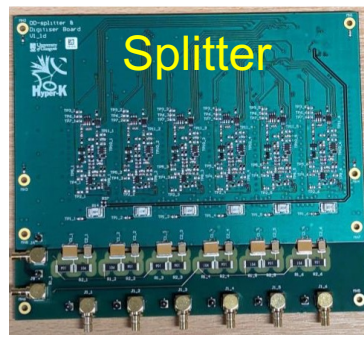
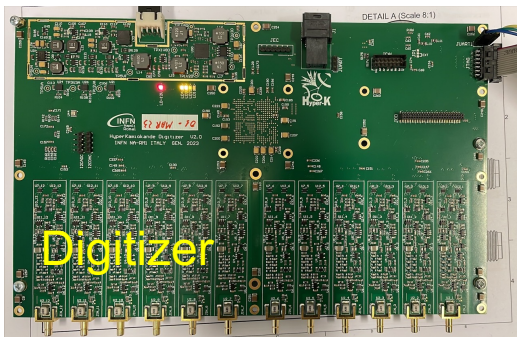
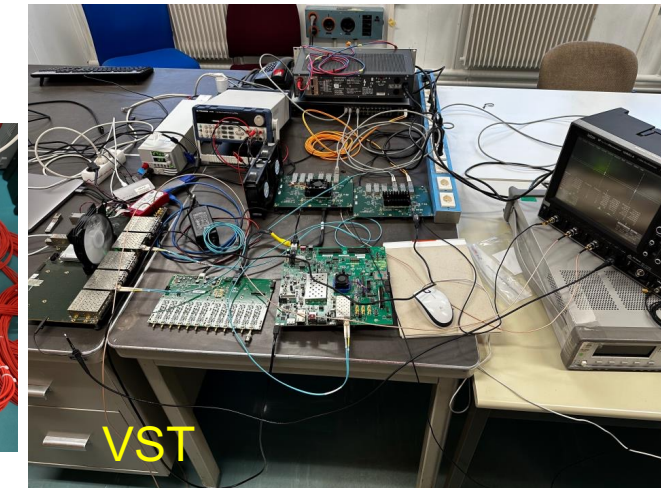
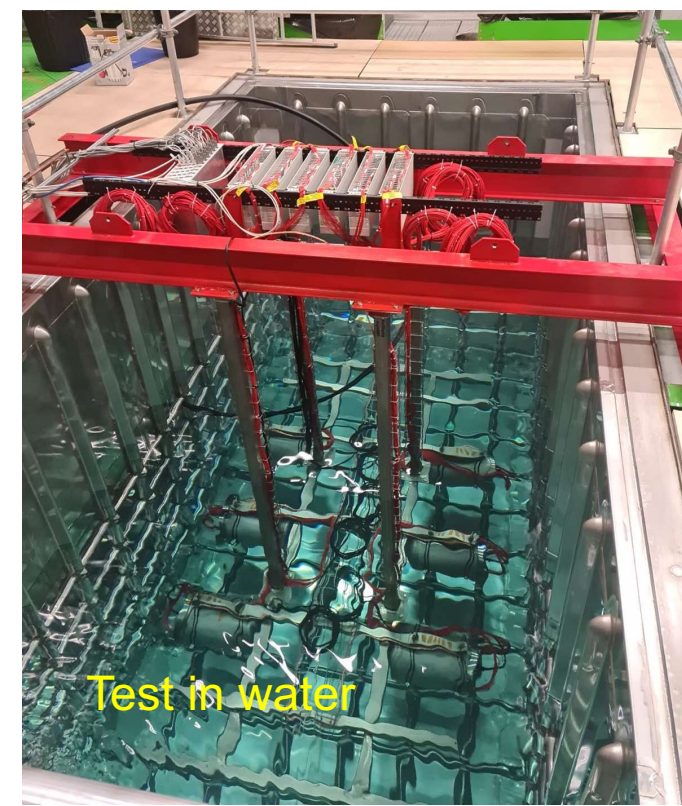
Data processing and timing boards



2 OD front-end boards

Hyper-Kamiokande electronic prototypes

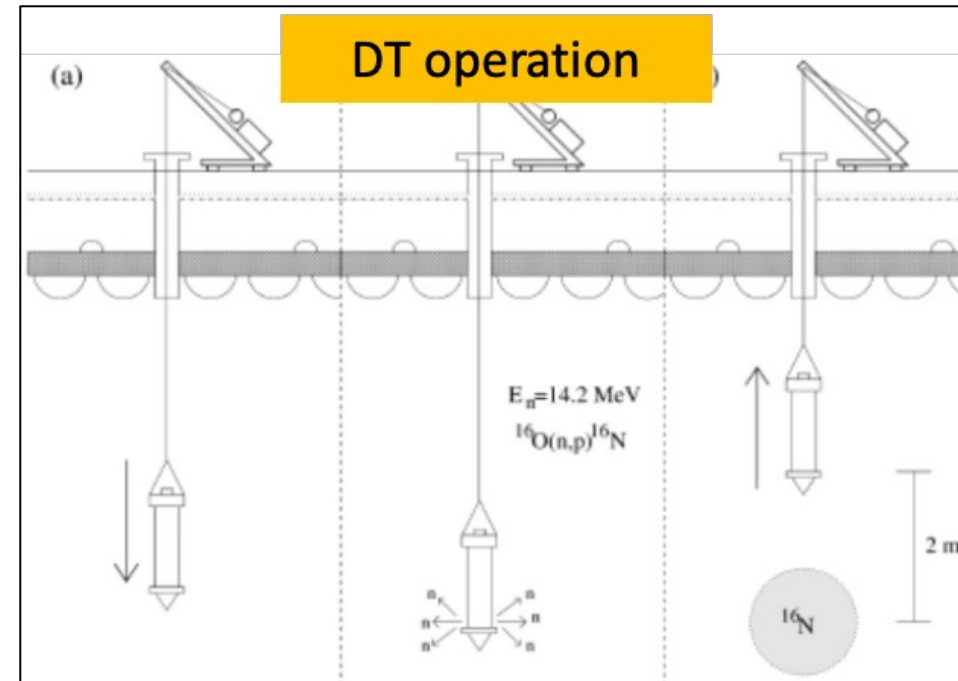
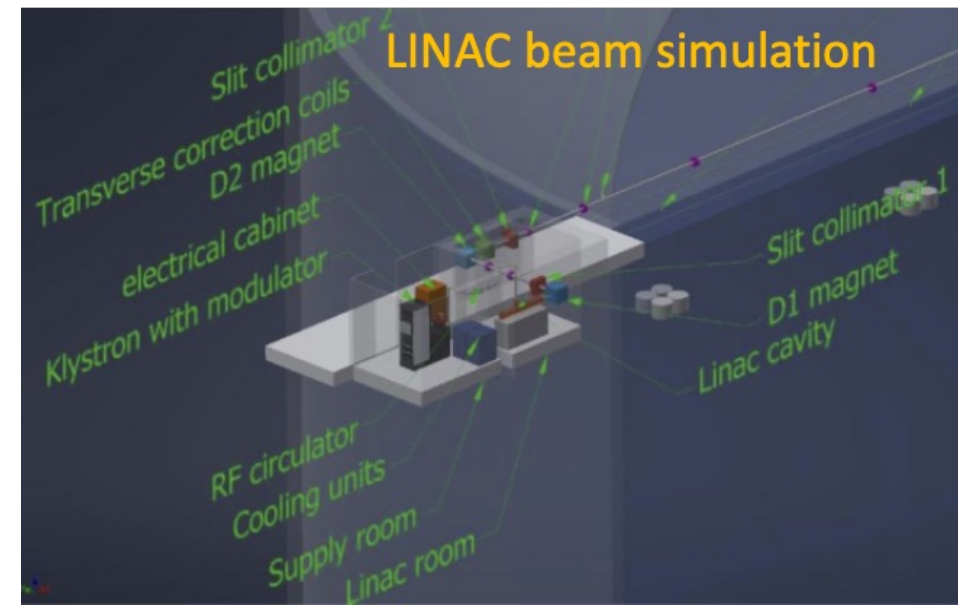
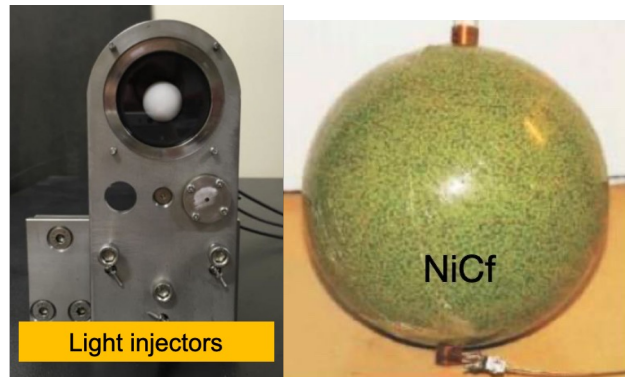
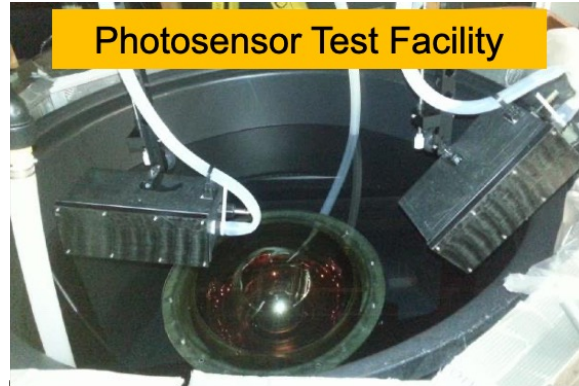
- Custom design of Digitizers, DPB, OD HV/signal splitter, timing boards will be finalized
- Industrial productions: LV and HV satisfying requirement for PMTs and FEB power requirement, redundant and reliable system; procurement finalized
- **Testing prototypes ongoing:**
 - LV and HV prototypes together with dummy DPB and Digitizer boards under the test in water to study water tightness of the vessel, heat transfer, stability of LV and HV
 - Testing communications among the boards; vertical slice test
 - Assembly and testing underwater vessel with all prototypes underway



Hyper-K Calibration

Extensive program of calibration sources to determine detector parameters and measure systematics.

- Pre-calibration of photosensors
- Photogrammetry
- Light injection:
 - Diffusers and collimators
 - mPMT system
 - OD injections
- Electron LINAC:
 - 3-24 MeV electrons
- Radioactive sources:
 - Deuterium-tritium neutron generation - ^{16}N to gammas
 - AmBe + BGO - tagged neutrons.
 - Ni/Cf - 9 MeV γ cascade



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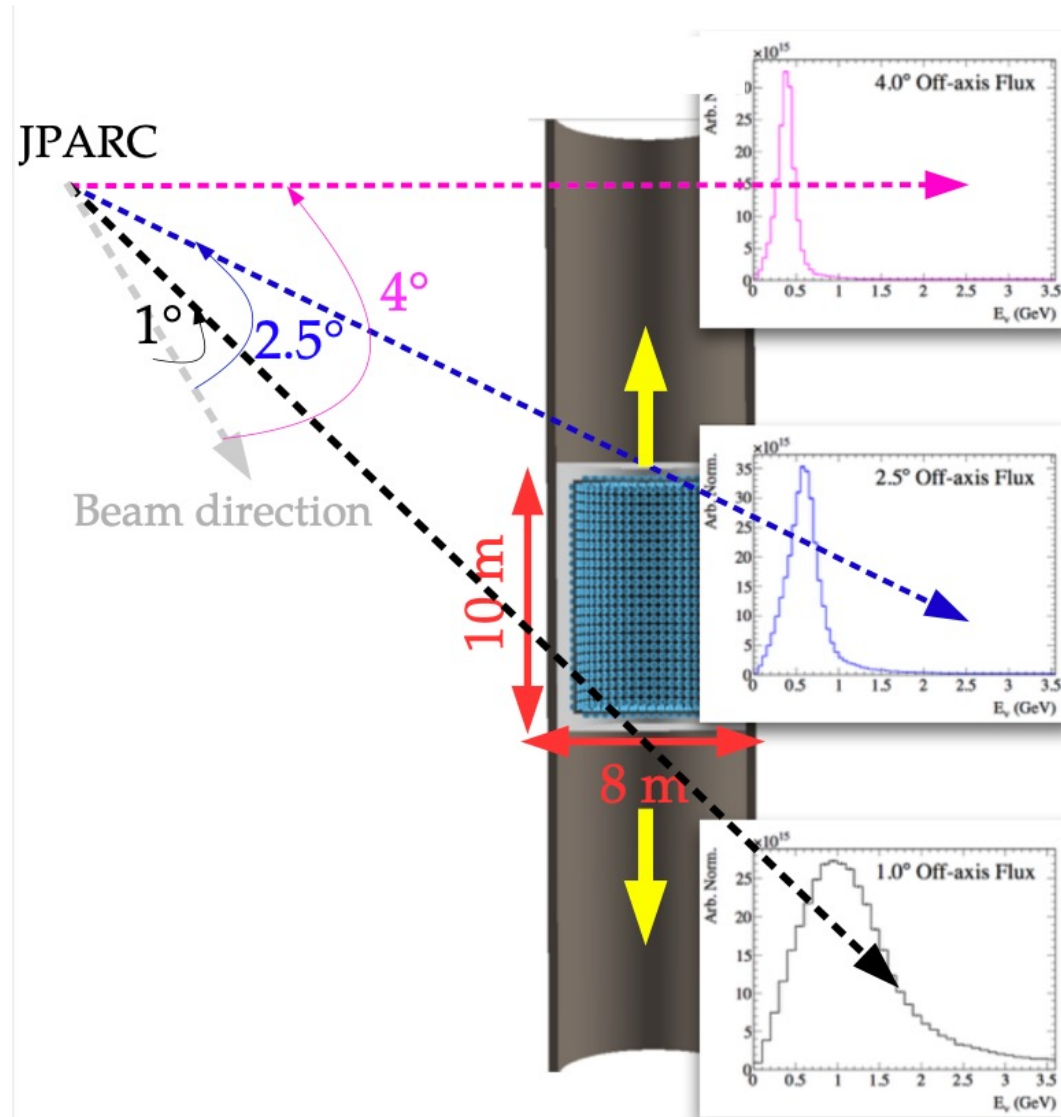
- Hyper-Kamiokande is 3rd generation water Cherenkov detector in Kamiokande, ~10xSuperKamiokande
- It will play a central role in exploring the future of particle physics; such as
 - Discovery of CP violation with 5σ for ~60% parameter region
 - Search for proton decay to test GUT, probing $\tau > 10^{35}$ years
 - Study supernova neutrinos
- Hyper-Kamiokande construction on schedule
 - World's largest underground facility
 - Access tunnel and cavern dome excavation completed
 - 50 cm PMT production and quality assurance test underway
 - Front-end electronics prototype under the test and design being finalized
 - Near detector upgrade and design of intermediate water Cherenkov detector being finalized
 - Neutrino beam upgrade to 1.3 MW

Thank you!

Backup



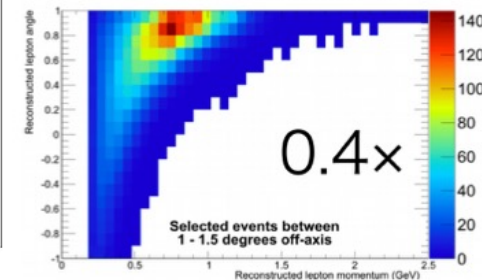
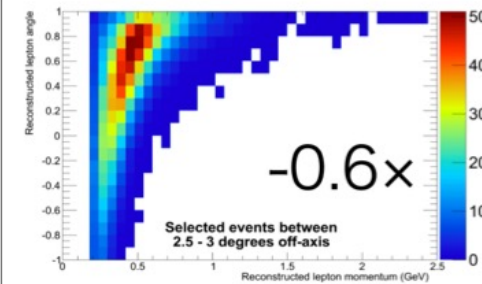
Intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector



1. HK flux = linear combination of different off-axis angles.

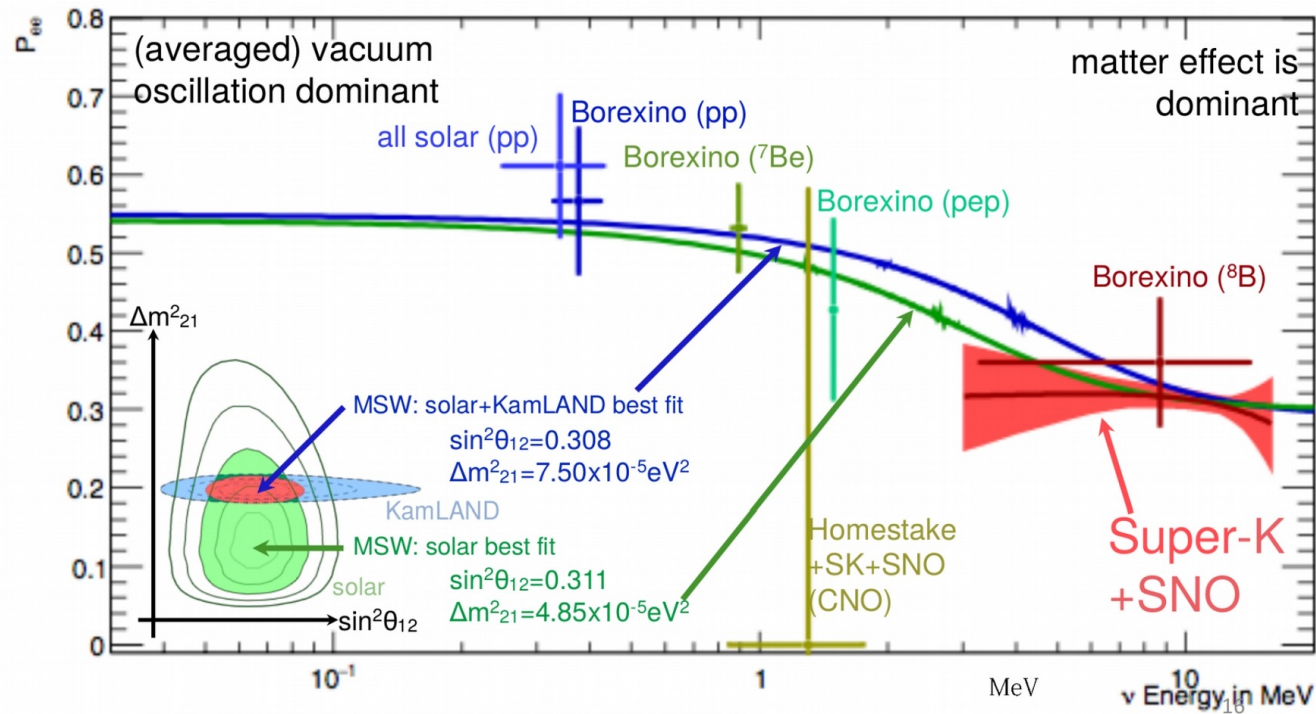
2. Take same combination of **reconstructed** number of neutrinos (e.g. in p_μ / θ_μ)

→ Drastically reduce use of cross-section models !

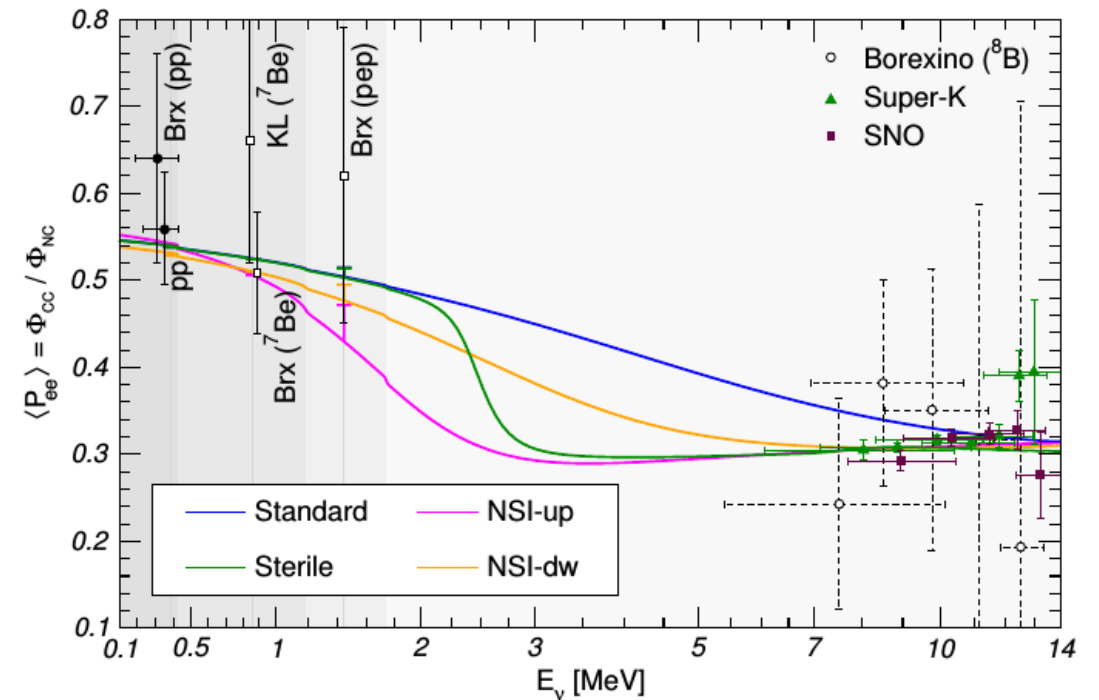


Solar neutrinos: upturn

- SuperK/SNO found a high matter effect in the Sun
- SuperK deviates from standard upturn scenario $> 2\sigma$. [Moriyama S., SK, Neutrino 2016]
- Solar upturn shifted to lower energies

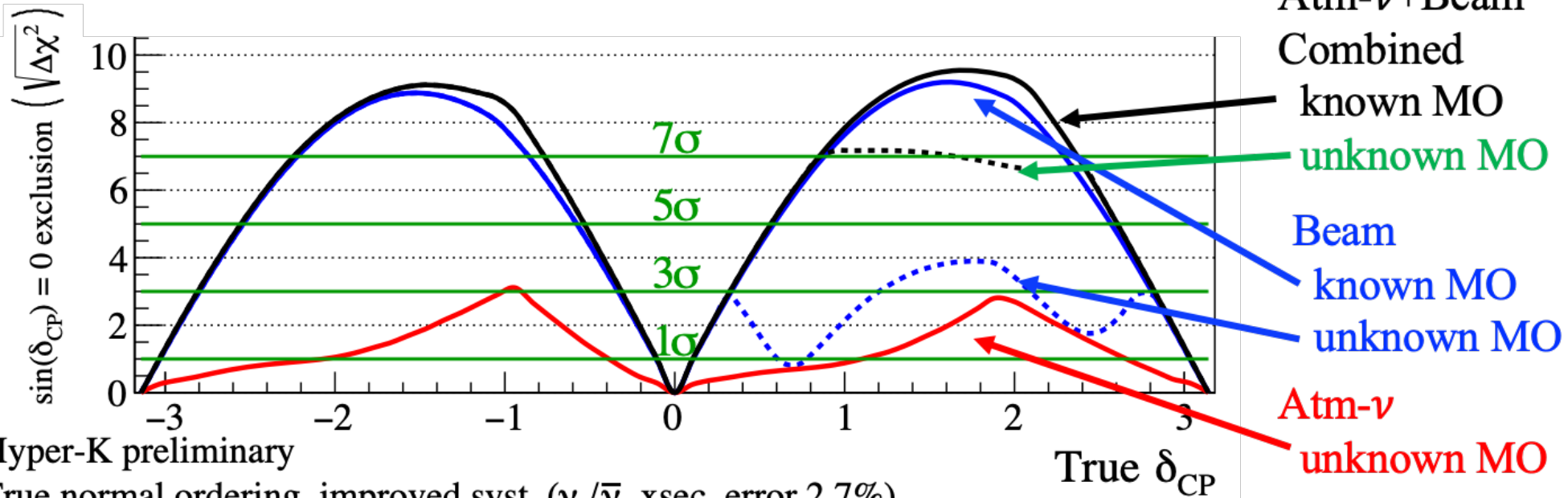


[Ikeda M., SK, Neutrino 2018]



[arXiv:1507.0587]

Combination of beam and atmospheric neutrino observations ⇒ Resolve parameters degeneracy



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	$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	Atmospheric neutrino	Atm + Beam
Mass ordering	0.40	2.2 σ	→ 3.8 σ
	0.60	4.9 σ	→ 6.2 σ
θ_{23} octant	0.45	2.2 σ	→ 6.2 σ
	0.55	1.6 σ	→ 3.6 σ

Atmospheric neutrino:
 sensitive to **mass ordering** by Earth's matter effects
 → Constraints on mass ordering enhance sensitivity to **CP violation** by **long-baseline**

10 years with 1.3MW, normal mass ordering is assumed