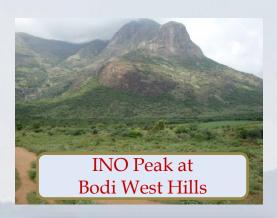


# India-Based Neutrino Observatory (INO)

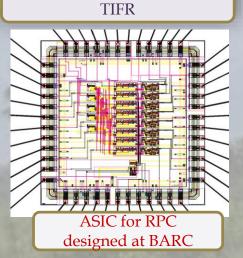




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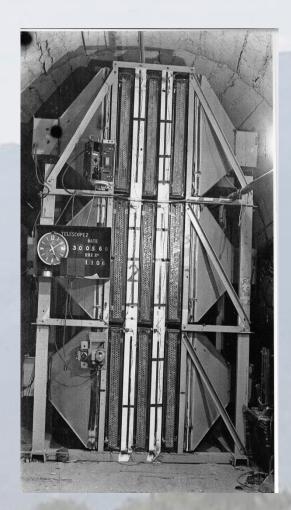
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# **Atmospheric neutrinos – 50 years**



DETECTION OF MUONS PRODUCED BY COSMIC RAY NEUTRINO DEEP UNDERGROUND

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## Physics Letters 18, (1965) 196, dated 15th Aug 1965

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and

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Atmospheric neutrino detector at Kolar Gold Field –1965

PRL 15, (1965), 429, dated 30th Aug. 1965

## INO Collaboration

**Ahmedabad:** Physical Research Laboratory

Aligarh: Aligarh Muslim University

Allahabad: HRI

Bhubaneswar: I OP, Utkal University

**Calicut:** University of Calicut

Chandigarh: Panjab University

Chennai: IITM, IMSc

**Delhi**: Delhi University

Kolkata: SINP, CU, VECC

**Lucknow:** Lucknow University

Madurai: American College

Mumbai: BARC, IITB, TIFR

**Mysore**: University of Mysore

**Srinagar**: University of Kashmir

Varanasi: Banaras Hindu University



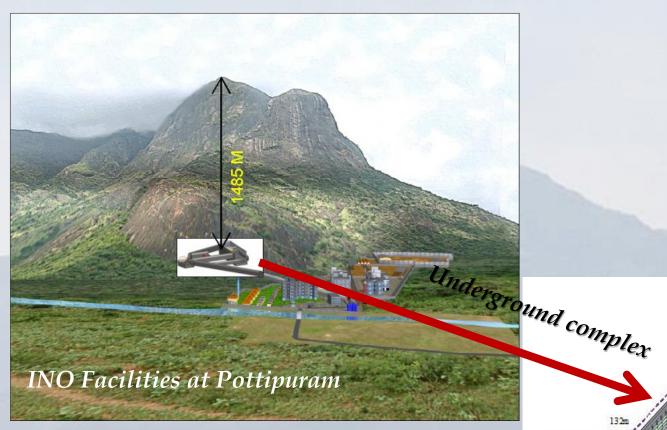
## INO Project components

- Construction of an underground laboratory and surface facilities near Pottipuram village in Theni district of Tamil Nadu.
- Construction of the massive 50 kton magnetised Iron calorimeter (ICAL) detector to study properties of neutrinos.
- Construction of the INO centre- The Inter-Institutional Centre for High Energy Physics (IICHEP) at Madurai.
- Human Resource Development (INO Graduate Training Program)
- Detector R & D

Financial approval from Govt. of India received in January, 2015

# ICAL: The physics goals

- Improved precision of atmospheric oscillation parameters
- Determine neutrino mass hierarchy using matter effects via charge discrimination
- Measure the deviation of 2-3 mixing angle from its maximal value and its octant
- Test bed for various new physics like NSI, CPT violation, long range forces
- Detect Ultra High Energy Neutrinos, Cosmic Muons, Indirect searches of DM



Detector Cavern

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13.2m

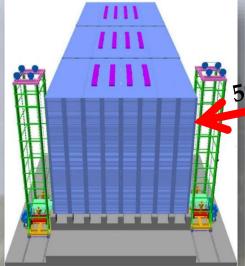
40m

40m

55m

Petector Cavern

12.5m



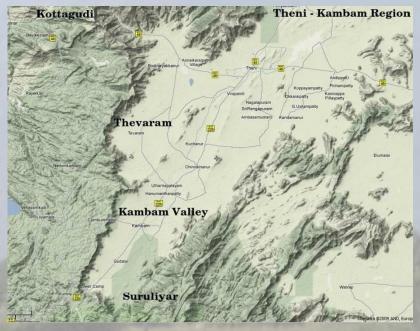
50 kton ICAL Neutrino Detector



## INO site: Bodi West Hills



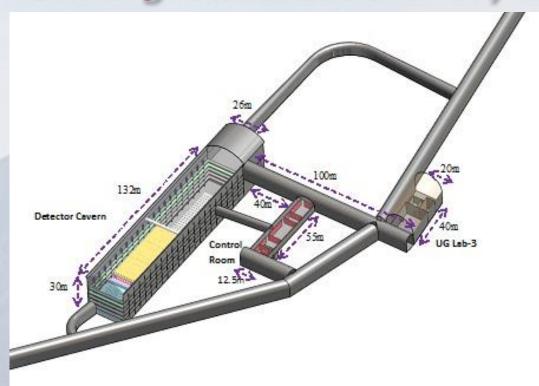




#### Contact us:

- 9° 58' N, 77° 16' E
- Pottipuram Village
- Theni District
- Tamil Nadu State

## Underground Laboratory Layout



- The cavern-l is set under 1589 m peak with vertical rock cover of 1289 m.
- Accessible through a 1.9 km long tunnel
- Cavern -1 will host 50 kt ICAL detector. Space available for additional 50 kt.
- Cavern-2 & 3 available for other experiments (NDBD, Dark Matter ....).

# INO Site@ Pottipuram









## Site for Inter-Institutional Centre for High Energy Physics (ICHEP)

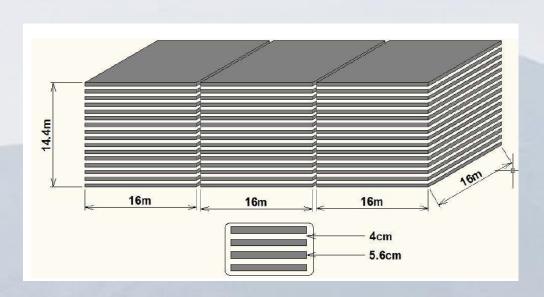


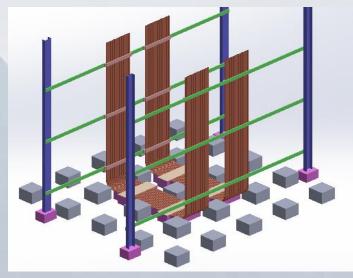


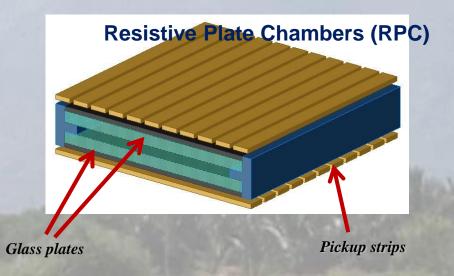
- To be located on a 13
  Ha land very close to
  the Madurai Kamraj
  University in the city of
  Madurai.
- Will act as the nodal centre for all INO activities.
- Will have a major detector development laboratory.
- INO Graduate Training program will move to IICHEP when ready.

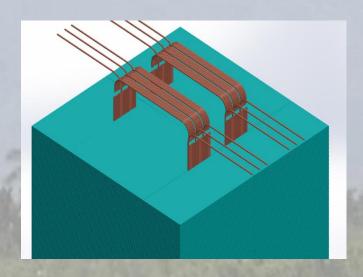


# INO-ICAL Detector









# ICAL factsheet

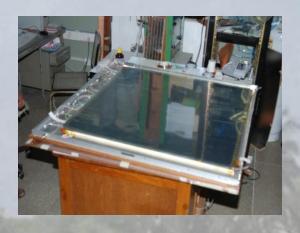
| No of modules             | 3                        |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Module dimension          | 16 m X 16 m X 14.4m      |
| Detector dimension        | 48.4 m X 16 m X 14.4m    |
| No of layers              | 150                      |
| Iron plate thickness      | 5.6cm                    |
| Gap for RPC trays         | 4 cm                     |
| Magnetic field            | 1.4 Tesla                |
| RPC unit dimension        | 195 cm x 184 cm x 2.4 cm |
| Readout strip width       | 3 cm                     |
| No. of RPCs/Road/Layer    | 8                        |
| No. of Roads/Layer/Module | 8                        |
| No. of RPC units/Layer    | 192                      |
| Total no of RPC units     | 28800                    |
| No of Electronic channels | 3.7 X 10 <sup>6</sup>    |

# Fabrication of 1m x 1m RPCs







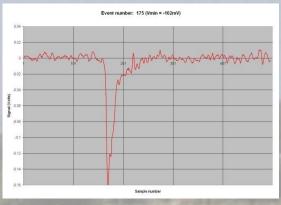




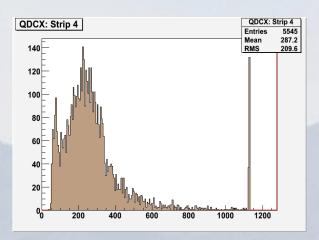


## Prototype RPC Stack at TIFR tracking Muons

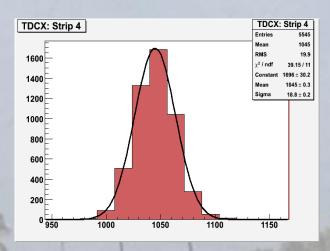




Analog signal due to muon

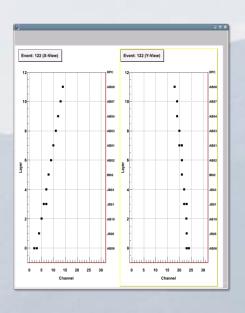


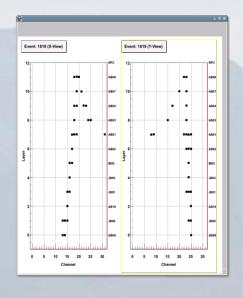
Charge spectrum

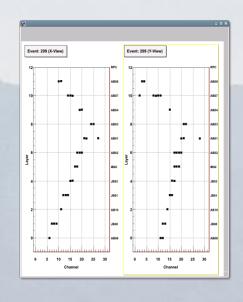


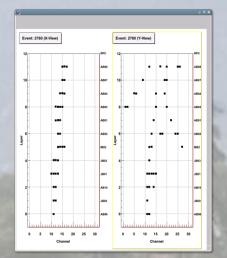
**Time resolution** 

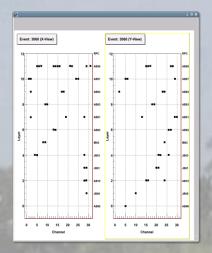
# cosmic ray tracks in the RPC stand











Demonstrate the Tracking Capability of the RPC system

# Making of 2m x 2m RPCs



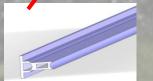










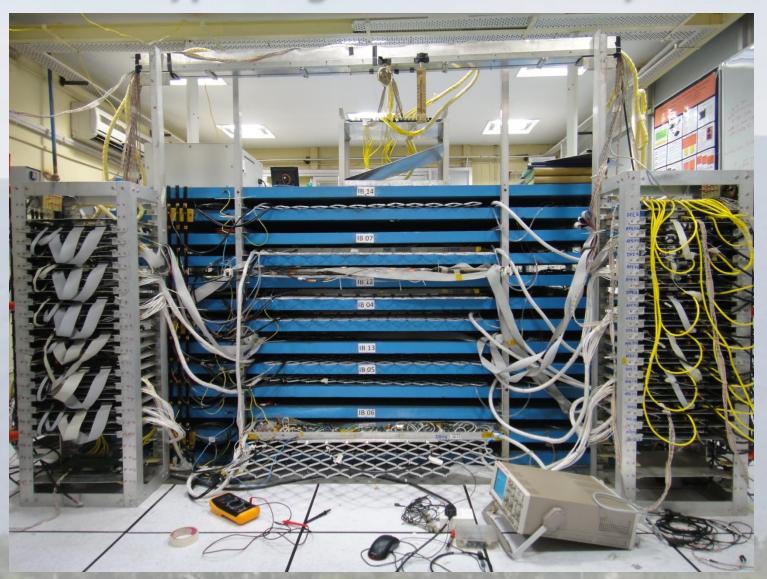


# 2m x 2m glass RPC test stand





# Prototype Magnet with RPC layers



# Automatic RPC gap making setup









# RPC production at Saint Gobain, Chennai

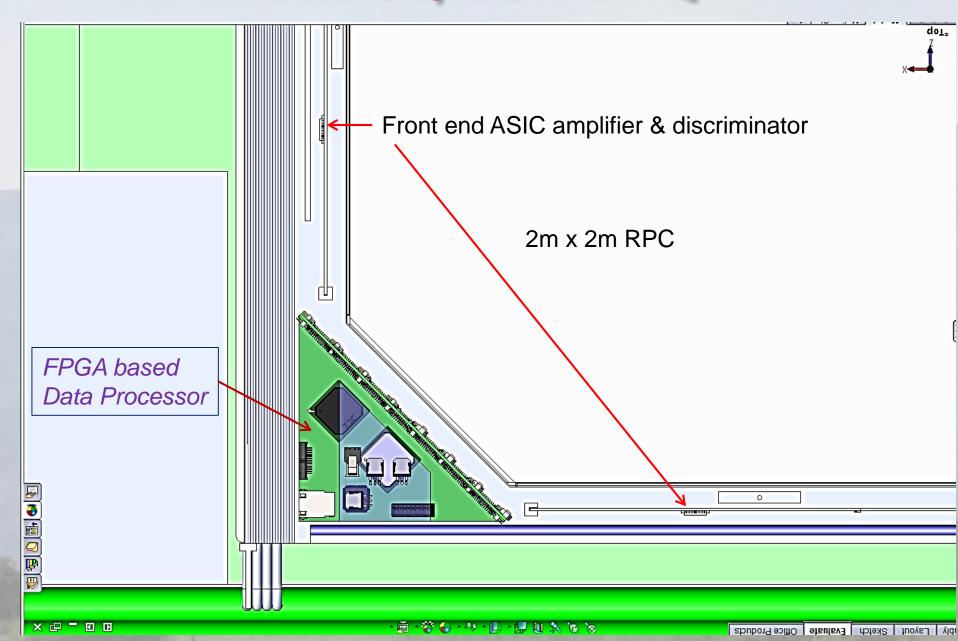






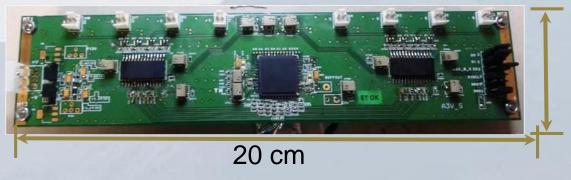


# Details of the RPCDAQ



## **INO FRONTEND: PRESENT STATUS**

✓A compact 8-channel FE board with dimension 45 mm x 20 cm designed, fabricated and tested in lab. Testing with RPC detector at TIFR in progress.

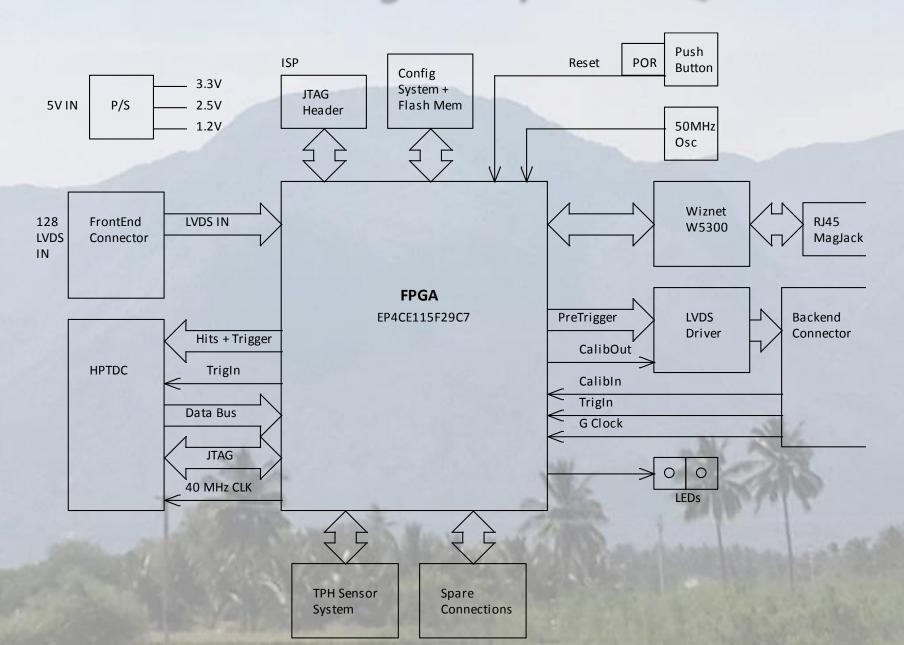


45 mm: min achievable FE board size with existing packages of Amplifier & Discriminator ASICs

✓FE board size could be further reduced only with low profile packages like QFN (difficult to assemble); Amplifier & Discriminator performance with new package need to be verified before going for production.

✓ **DFM** also need to be incorporated before production run.

# Block diagram of RPCDAQ

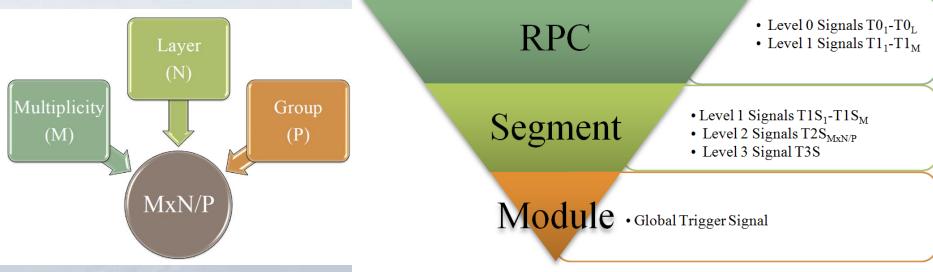


# RPC-DAQ Board

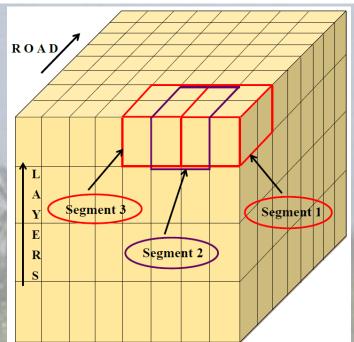




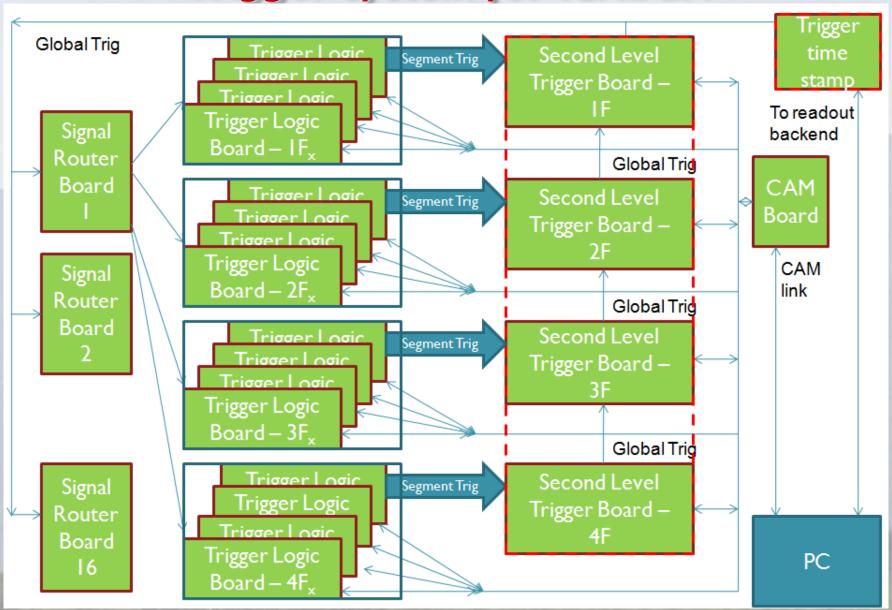
# ICAL Trigger Scheme



- > Trigger criteria based on event topology alone.
- > Distributed and hierarchical architecture.
- > Detector module segmented to generate local trigger.
- > Combination of local triggers produces global trigger.
- > Global trigger latches event data.



# Trigger system for ICAL-EM





## Simulation Framework



#### **Neutrino Event Generation**

$$V_a + X -> A + B + ...$$

Generates particles that result from a random interaction of a neutrino with matter using theoretical models.

#### **Output:**

- i) Reaction Channel
- ii) Vertex Information
- lii) Energy & Momentum of all Particles

#### GEANT 4

#### **Event Simulation**

A + B + ... through RPCs + Mag.Field

Simulate propagation of particles through the detector (RPCs + Magnetic Field)

#### **Output:**

- i) x,y,z,t of the particles at their interaction point in detector
  - ii) Energy deposited
  - iii) Momentum information

### **Event Digitisation**

(x,y,z,t) of A + B + ... + noise + detector efficiency Add detector efficiency and noise to the hits

#### Output:

i) Digitised output of the previous stage (simulation)

## **Event Reconstruction**

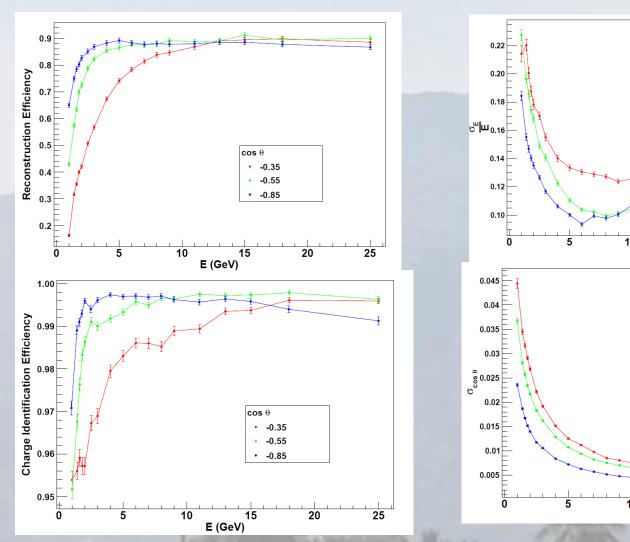
$$(E,p)$$
 of  $v + X = (E,p)$  of  $A + B + ...$ 

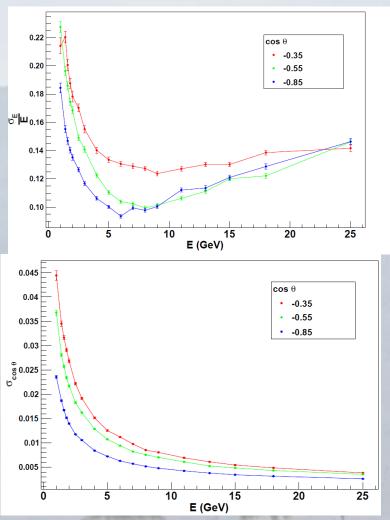
Fit the tracks of A + B + ... to get their energy and momentum.

#### **Output:**

i) Energy & Momentum of the initial particles

# Detector Performances: Muons

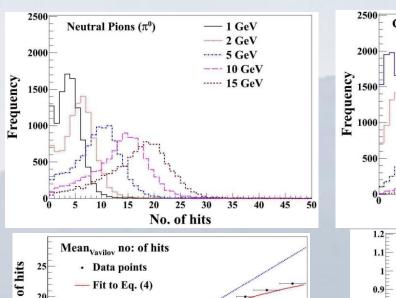


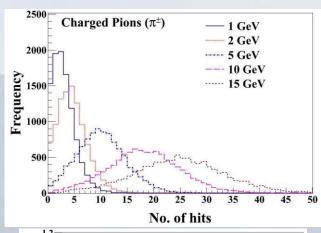


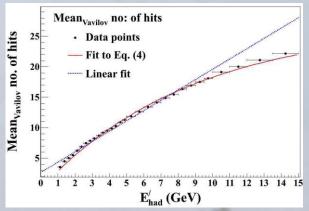
Reconstruction & Charge efficiencies

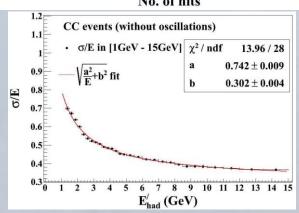
Energy & angular resolutions

# Detector performances- hadrons









Calibration against  $E'_{had} \equiv E_{\nu} - E_{\mu}$ 

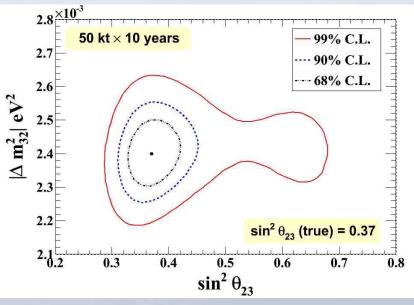
Vavilov distribution found to give a give good fit to the hit distribution

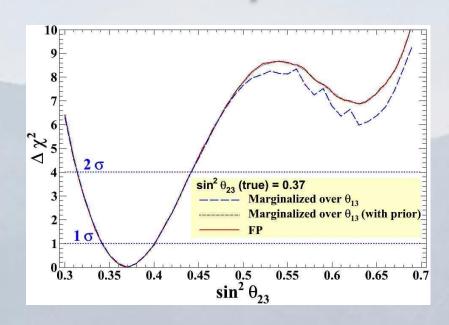
Hadron Energy resolution :

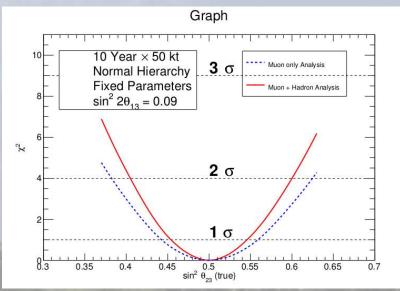
$$\frac{\sigma}{E} \approx \sqrt{\frac{(0.75)^2}{E} + (0.3)^2}$$

85% at 1 Gev

## Octant sensitivity with hadron information

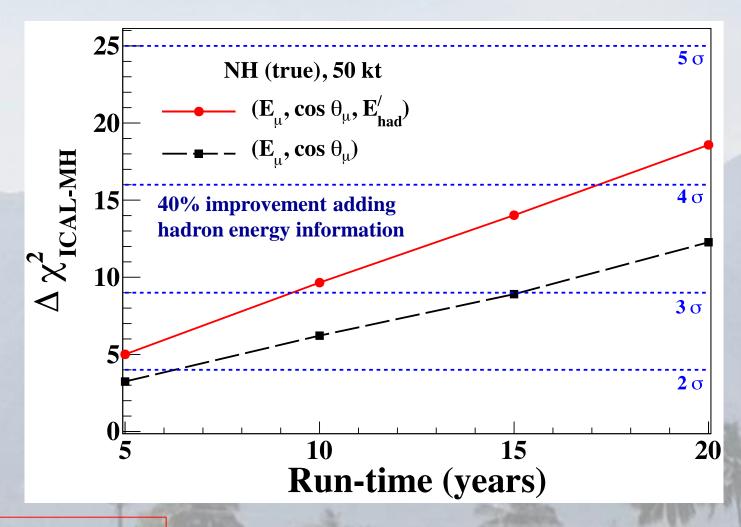






More than  $2\sigma$  sensitivity to  $\theta_{23}$  octant is possible if  $\theta_{23}$  is sufficiently away from maximality

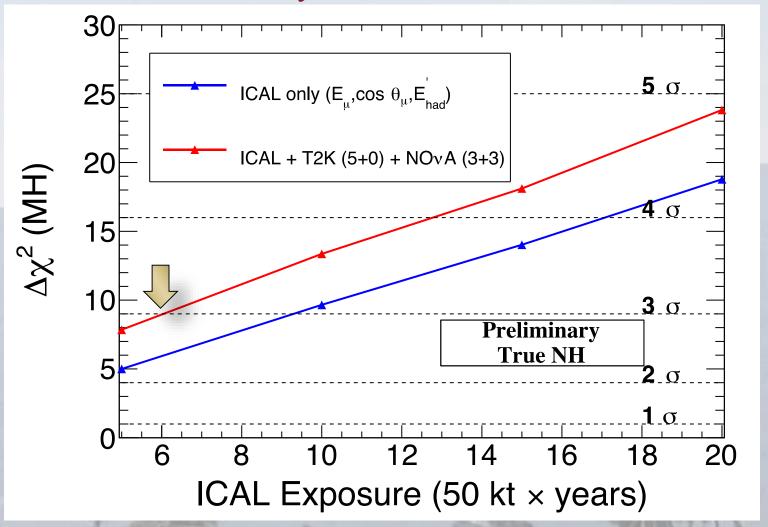
## Identifying Neutrino Mass Hierarchy with INO-ICAL



**Median Sensitivity** 

50 kt ICAL can rule out the wrong hierarchy with  $\Delta \chi^2 \approx 9.5$  in 10 years

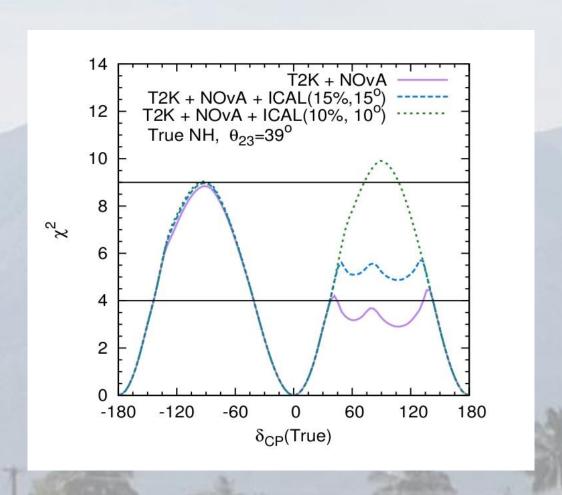
## MH Discovery with ICAL+T2K+NOvA



work in progress (INO Collaboration)

3σ median sensitivity can be achieved in 6 years

# Synergy with other experiments: CPV



Hierarchy information from INO-ICAL helps the detection of CP violation, though INO itself is not sensitive to CP violation

## opposition

- A PIL at Madurai branch of Madras High Court by a local Political leader.
  - Interim Order: We can not start construction until we obtained the TNPCB clearance.
- A case against INO by a green activist in the National Green Tribunal of Chennai.
- Not clear how quickly these problems will be solved.

# Summary

- INO Project approved by the Govt. of India
- Pre-project activities started both at INO site & at Madurai city.
- Components for the Engineering Prototype are being procured.
- Some opposition from a political party and green activists has temporarily stopped our work.
- Trying to overcome these hurdles through enhanced public outreach program.

