DUNE: Physics program and status

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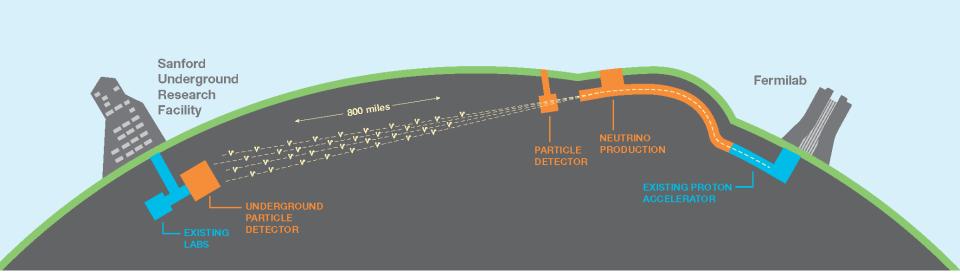
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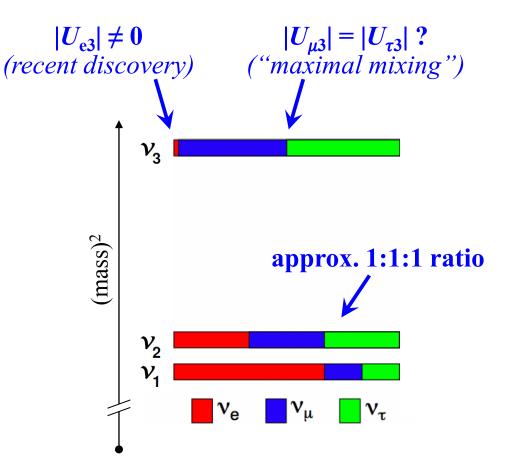
Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment

A next generation experiment for **neutrino science**, **nucleon decay**, and **supernova physics**





Neutrino mixing



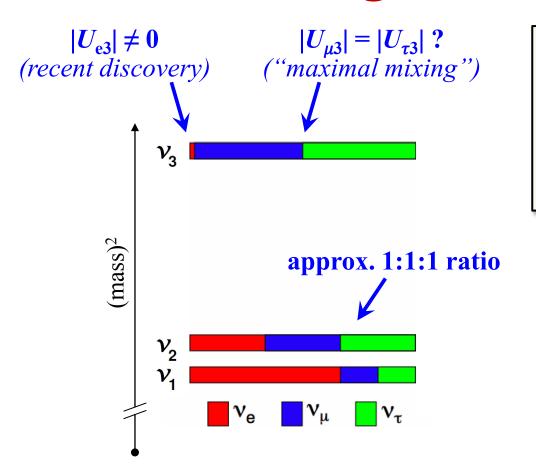
 $\leftarrow \text{ flavor symmetry?} \rightarrow \\ \uparrow \\ \text{ where } \\ \frac{u}{d} \\ \text{ so } \\ \frac{e}{v_e} \\ \text{ where } \\ \frac{u}{v_u} \\ \text{ so } \\ \frac{\tau}{v_t} \\ \text{ so } \\ \frac{v_t}{v_t} \\ \frac{v$

What **flavor symmetry** can produce this pattern of mixings and masses, and how is that symmetry broken?

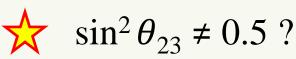
More broadly: what are the **dynamical origins** of fermion masses, mixings, and *CP* violation?

quark mixing:

Neutrino mixing



Experimental question:



Non-maximal mixing?

If so, which way does it break?

Standard parametrization of PMNS matrix:

$$U = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} e^{i\alpha_1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

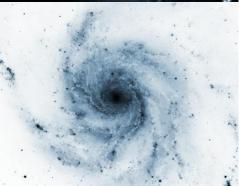
CP violation

New source of *CP* violation required to explain baryon asymmetry of universe

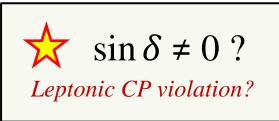
part-per-billion level of matter/antimatter asymmetry in early universe

Neutrino CPv allowed in νSM , but not yet observed ...due so far to the experimental challenge, not physics!





Leptogenesis¹ is a workable solution for the baryon asymmetry, but need to first find *any* leptonic (neutrino) *CP*v

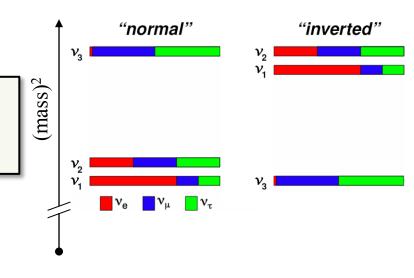


¹ M. Fukugita and T. Yanagida (1986); rich history since then.

v mass hierarchy



Are the electron-rich states $v_1 \& v_2$ heavier or lighter than v_3 ?



Far-reaching implications for such a simple question:

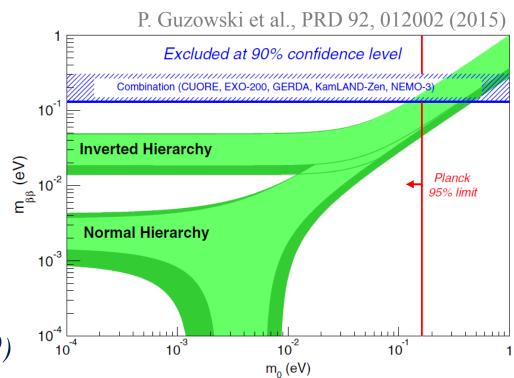
- $0\nu\beta\beta$ and Majorana nature of ν
- Experimental approach to and interpretation of m_{β}
- Cosmology and astrophysics
- Theoretical frameworks for flavor and mass generation

Notice:

An inverted hierarchy implies

<1.5% mass degeneracy.

 \rightarrow Would hint at...?? (cf.: π^+/π^0)



Flavor: A core problem for 21st century particle physics

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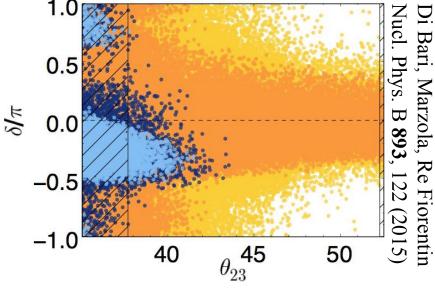
Flurry of theoretical work.

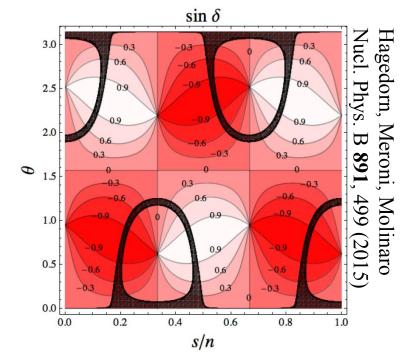
Discrete flavor groups $(A_4, S_4, \Delta(3n^2), ...)$ often combined with GUTs. Non-trivial flavor texture in heavy sector.

Emphasis on genuine predictive power. Explicit connections between low energy observables and leptogenesis.

Often immutable preferences for mass hierarchy and μ/τ asymmetry

$\tan \beta$	Output			
5	$ \begin{array}{c} \theta_{12}^q \\ \theta_{13}^q \\ \theta_{23}^q \\ \delta^q \end{array} $ $ \begin{array}{c} y_u \\ y_c \\ y_t \\ y_d \\ y_s \\ y_b \end{array} $	13.027° 0.1802° 2.054° 69.18° 2.92×10^{-6} 1.43×10^{-3} 5.34×10^{-1} 4.30×10^{-6} 9.51×10^{-5} 7.05×10^{-3}	$\begin{array}{c c} \theta_{12}^{l} \\ \theta_{13}^{l} \\ \theta_{23}^{l} \\ \delta^{l} \\ \Delta m_{21}^{2} \\ \Delta m_{31}^{2} \\ \end{array}$	34.3° 8.67° 45.8° -86.7° $7.38 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ $2.48 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ 1.97×10^{-6} 4.16×10^{-4} 7.05×10^{-3}





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Pascoli and Zhou, JHEP **06**, 73 (2016) Flavor symmetry $A_4 \times Z_2 \times Z_4$; flavon-induced connections between flavor mixing and CLFV, *and*...

1.0

$$\sin \theta_{12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1 - 2|\epsilon_{\varphi}| \cos \theta_{\varphi} + 2\epsilon_{\chi})$$

$$\sin \theta_{23} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 + |\epsilon_{\varphi}| \cos \theta_{\varphi})$$

$$\sin \theta_{13} = \sqrt{2} |\epsilon_{\varphi} \sin \theta_{\varphi}|$$

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$$\epsilon_{\varphi} = |\epsilon_{\varphi}| e^{i\theta_{\varphi}}$$

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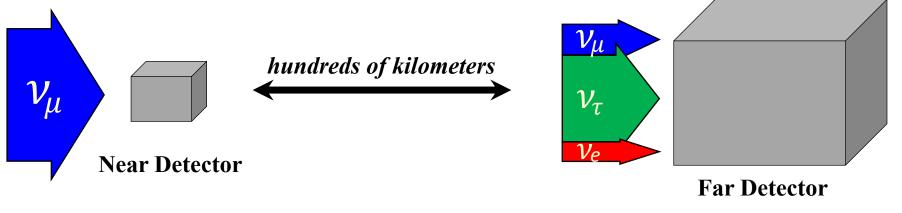
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 θ_{23} $\sin \delta$

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s/n

Generic long-baseline experiment



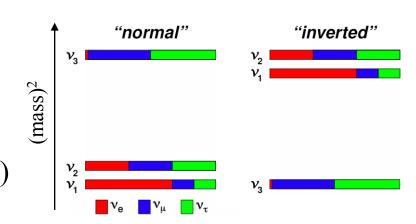
ν_e appearance:

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{e}) \approx \sin^{2}\theta_{23} \sin^{2}2\theta_{13} \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{32}^{2}L/4E)$$

...plus potentially large CPv and matter effect* modifications!

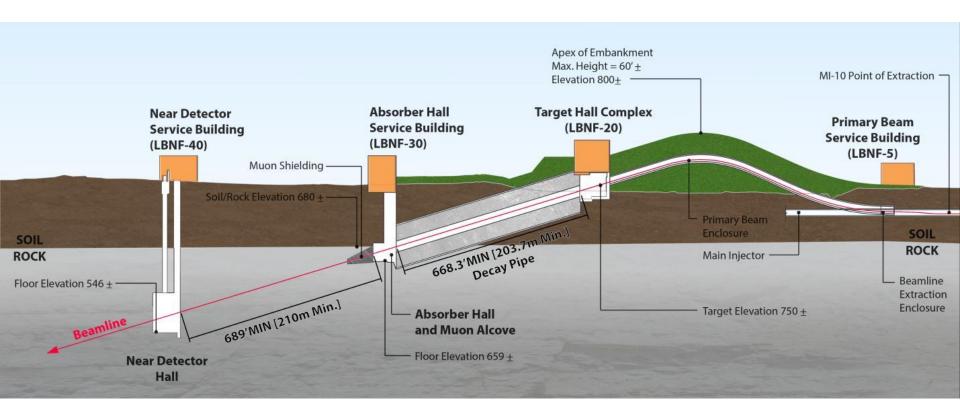
* v_e see different potential than $v_{\mu,\tau}$ when propagating through matter (here, the earth)

⇒ a hierarchy-dependent effect



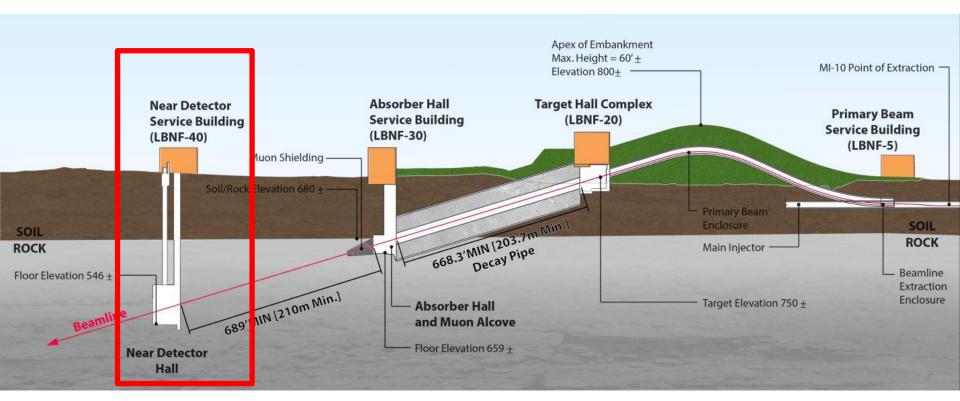
Long Baseline Neutrino Facility (LBNF)

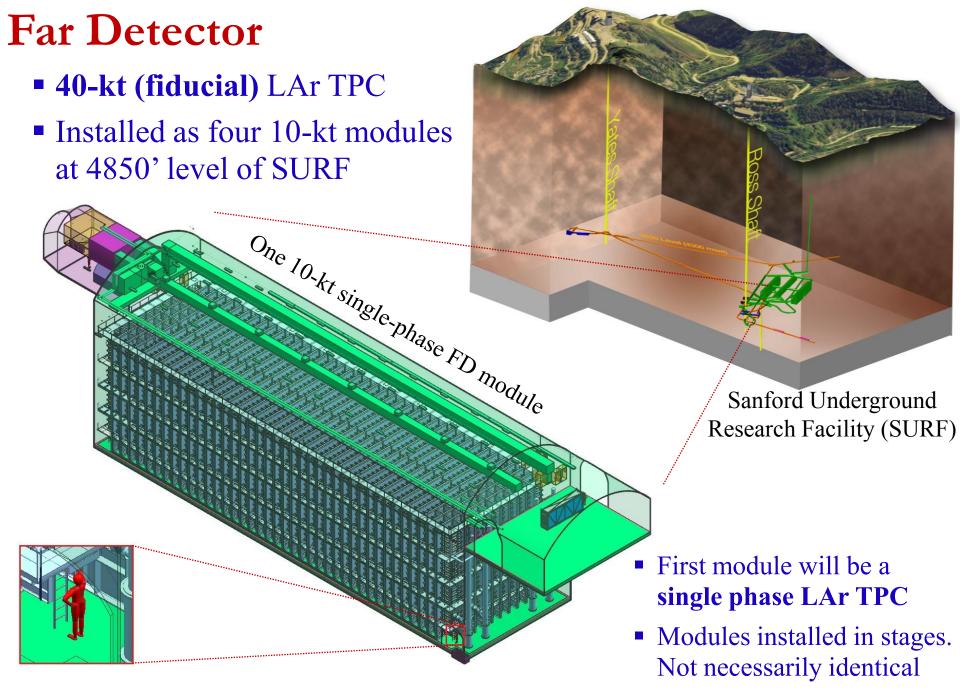
- DOE/Fermilab hosted project with international participation
- Horn-focused beamline similar to NuMI beamline
 - 60 120 GeV protons from Fermilab's Main Injector
 - 200 m decay pipe at -5.8° pitch, angled at South Dakota (SURF)
 - Initial power 1.1 MW, upgradable to 2.4 MW



Near Detector

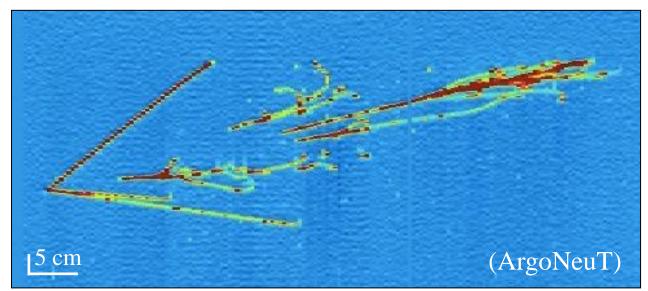
- DUNE will have a Near Detector
 - Constrain systematic uncertainties in oscillation measurements
 - Precisely measure initial fluxes of neutrinos in the beam
 - Measure numerous neutrino-nucleus scattering cross sections
- Multiple designs under consideration
 - LAr TPC, high-pressure GAr TPC, fine-grained tracker, hybrid designs





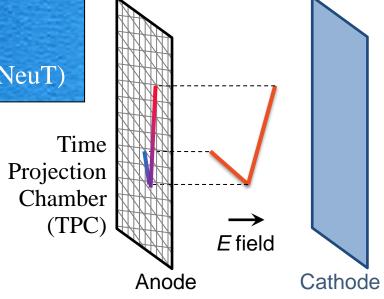
Key design features:

Very long baseline \rightarrow *no oscillation parameter ambiguities* **Large detector and powerful beam** \rightarrow *high event rate* **Highly capable LAr TPC** \rightarrow *excellent background rejection* **Low energy threshold** \rightarrow *rich underground physics program*



DUNE TPC:

- 3.5 m drifts @ 175 kV (500 V/cm)
- 3 ms e^- lifetime
- 5 mm wire pitch

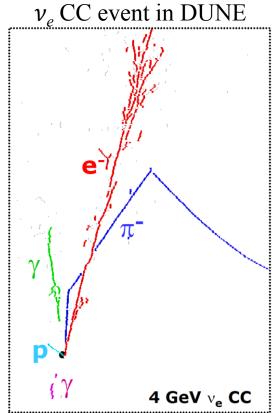


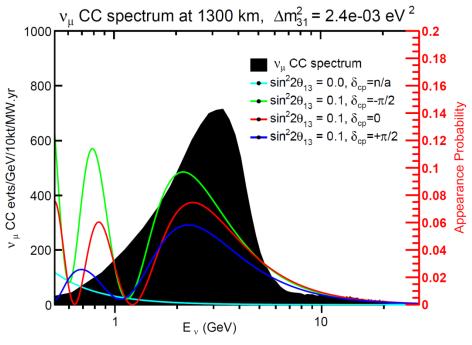
Early.....Late

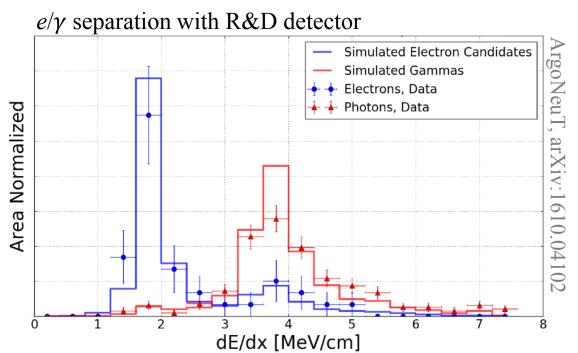
High-resolution detector

- permits broadband neutrino beam
- e- γ shower separation via both event topology and early dE/dx

Simulated and reconstructed







Observation of leptonic *CP* violation

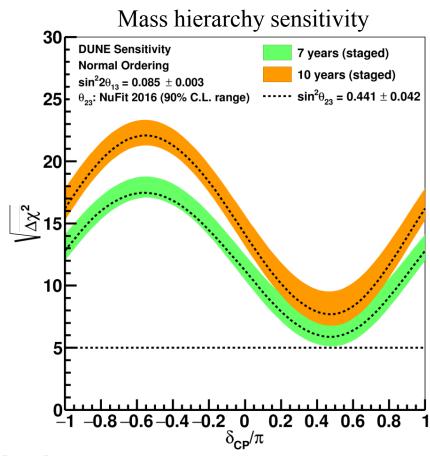
5σ near $\delta = \pi/2$

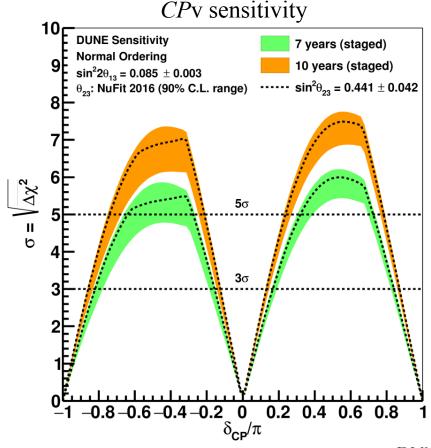
 3σ for 65% of δ range

Definitive hierarchy determination

 $>5\sigma$ regardless of other parameter choices

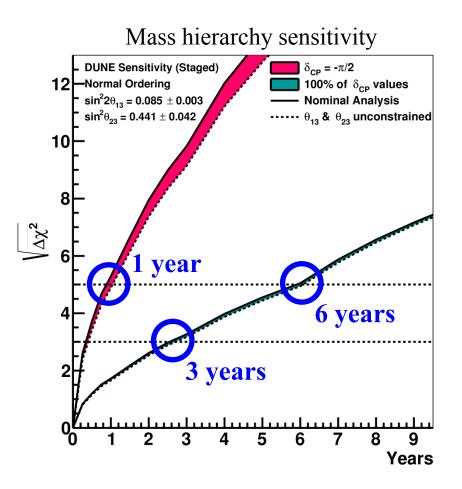
Move quickly to **potential discovery**

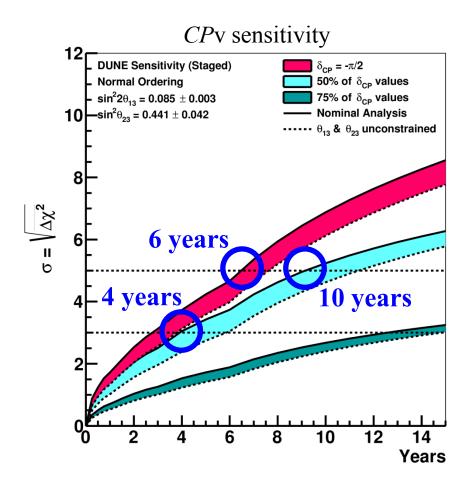




Sensitivity vs. time

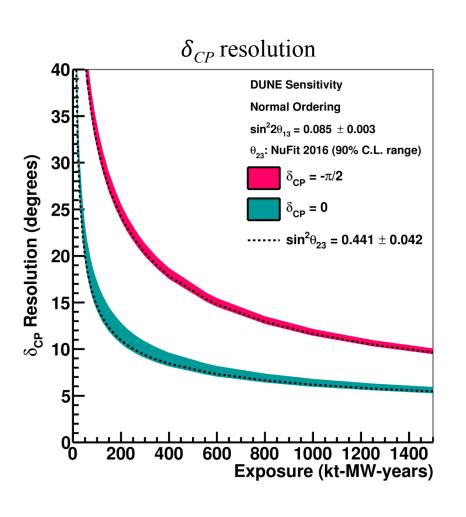
- → **Significant milestones** throughout beam-physics program
- → A few examples below

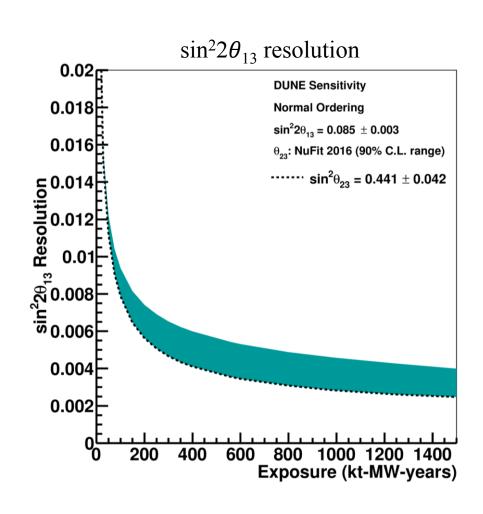




(ultimate precision depends on parameter values themselves)

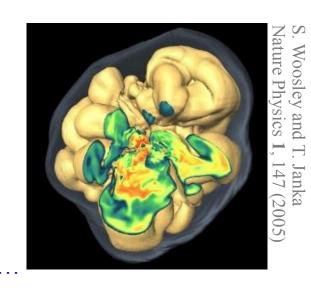
- \rightarrow E.g.: δ_{CP} to ~10°; θ_{13} , θ_{23} to ~0.2°
- → A suite of oscillation parameter measurements in a single experiment





Supernova neutrinos

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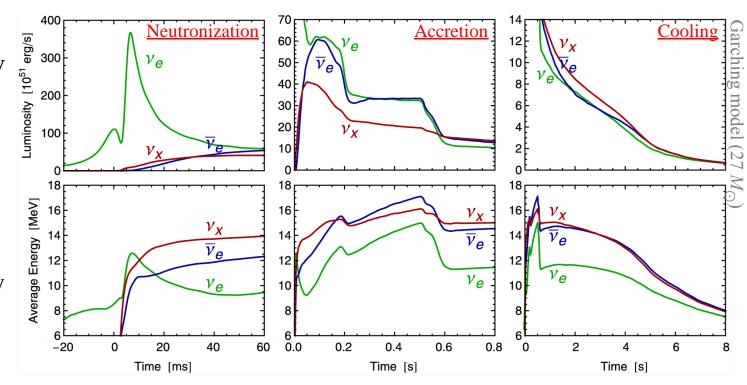
Argon target:

Unique sensitivity to v_e flux

DUNE at 10 kpc:

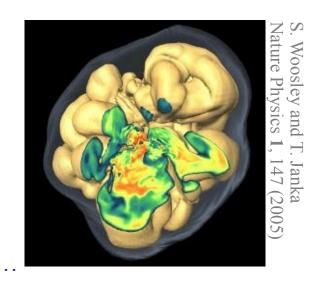
 $\sim 3000 \nu_e$ events over 10 seconds

with 5%–10% energy resolution & sub- μ s time resolution



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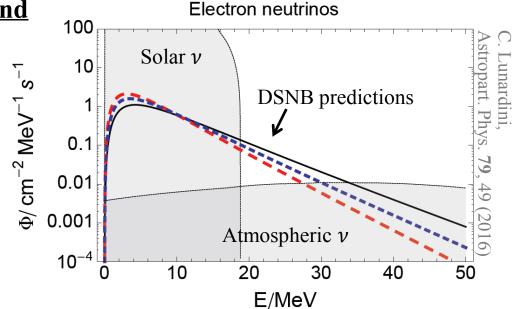


Diffuse supernova neutrino background

Should be there. *Not yet observed.**

<u>DUNE:</u> Potential for DSNB discovery and ~20% rate measurement

(bkgnds still under study)



* Present limit from Super-K:

K. Bays et al., Phys. Rev. D 85, 052007 (2012)

Baryon number violation

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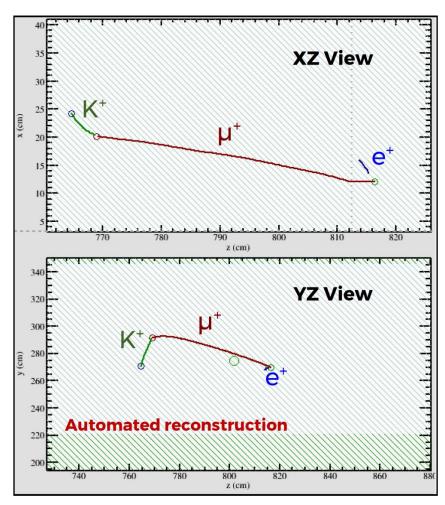
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 Deep underground location
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At right:

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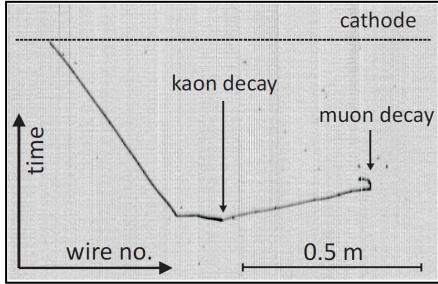
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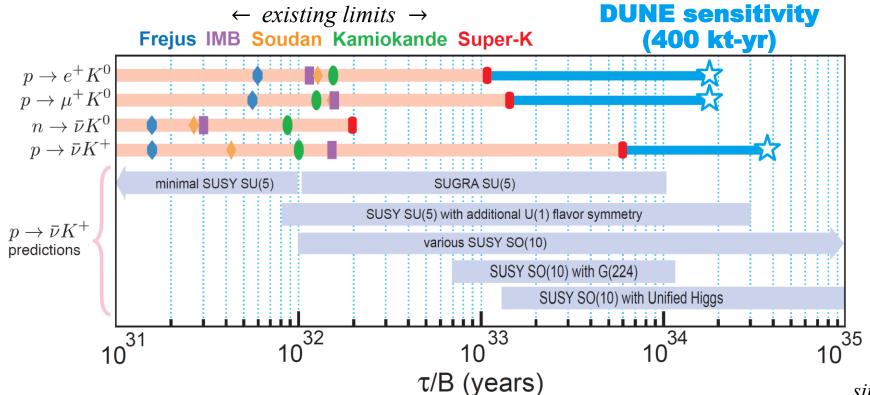
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ICARUS collab., Adv. HEP, vol. 2013, 260820 (2013)





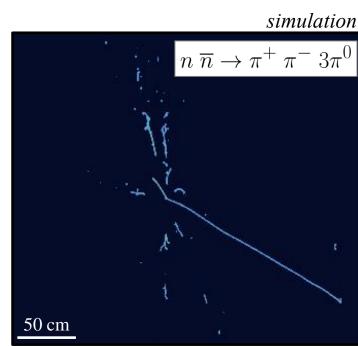
Order of magnitude step in lifetime

→ Significant model discrimination

At right:

 $n-\bar{n}$ oscillation \rightarrow intranuclear $n\bar{n}$ annihilation

Spherical spray of hadrons with $E \approx 2M_n$ and net momentum $\leq p_F \sim 300 \text{ MeV}$



More of the physics program beyond "3v"

Some of the new physics signatures accessible with DUNE:

Light sterile neutrinos

Various experimental anomalies persist. Multiple channels for investigation in a LBL setup.

Non-standard interactions

Beam and atmospheric neutrinos passing through matter provide access to non-standard couplings. Unique search features: long baselines; appearance channel.

Dark matter

Astrophysical (e.g., annihilation in the sun; at DUNE, look for up-going neutrinos) and beam-induced light dark matter (e.g., $qq \rightarrow V^* \rightarrow \bar{\chi}\chi$ at target)

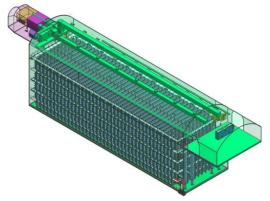
And more...

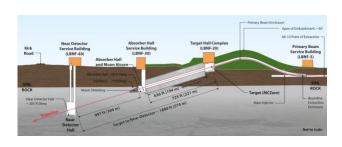
Lorentz violation, effective CPTv, large extra dimensions, non-unitarity, neutrino tridents (Z' and muon g–2)

Plus **millions of interactions** in the Near Detector for exploring ν -nucleus scattering: final state interactions, nuclear structure, MEC/2p2h channels, ...

DUNE Timeline







2017: Far Site Construction Begins



2018: ProtoDUNEs at CERN



2021: Far Detector Installation Begins



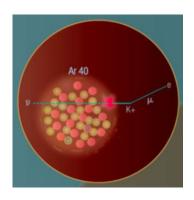
2024: Physics Data Begins (20 kt)



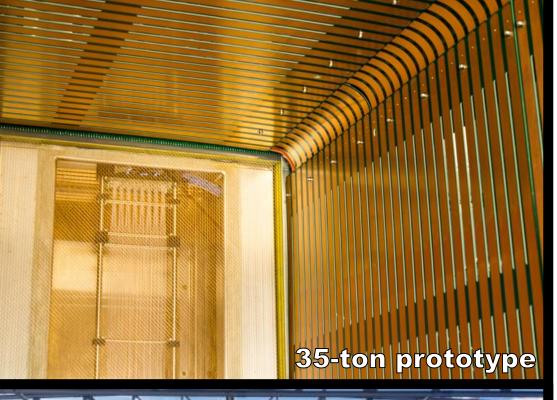
2026: Neutrino Beam Available

The CERN Neutrino Platform





40 kton + 2 MW beam to follow in subsequent years







DUNE is a top priority of DOE and international HEP community

A core part of US HEP's "P5" Strategic Plan for next two decades

Highly internationalized:

951 collaborators

164 institutions

30 countries

CD-3a approval in Sep. 2016

Approval for \$0.3B start of Far Site construction

Full-scale component prototypes will operate at CERN, 2018+

Single- and dual-phase designs





ProtoDUNE cold box at CERN

Hoist/motion tests at Ash River

Conclusions

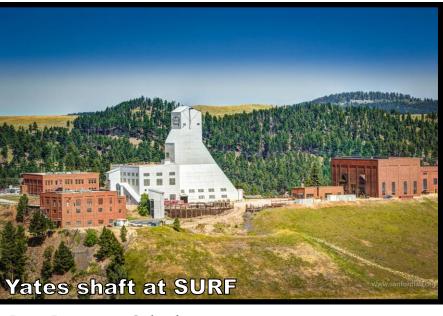
DUNE gearing up

- **ProtoDUNE** installation underway now at CERN
- Far Detector site prep work underway now at SURF



A broad physics program

- DUNE will determine the ν MH and can measure leptonic CPv at 5σ
- Precision **PMNS**: a new era for flavor theory
- Nucleon decay
- Supernova neutrinos
- And a rich **BSM physics** program both inside and outside the neutrino sector





Extras

• Cosmological observations → sum of neutrino masses.

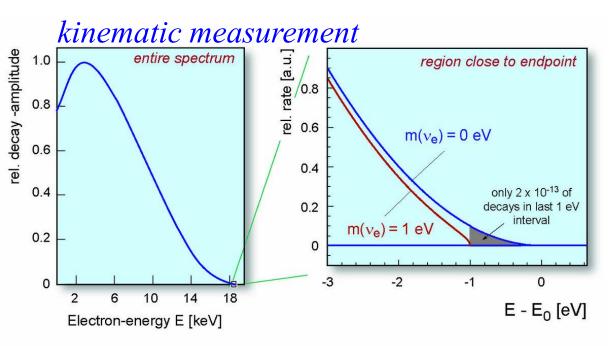
Best limits: $\Sigma m_i < 0.23 \text{ eV}$ (95% C.L.) Planck collaboration, arXiv:1502.01589

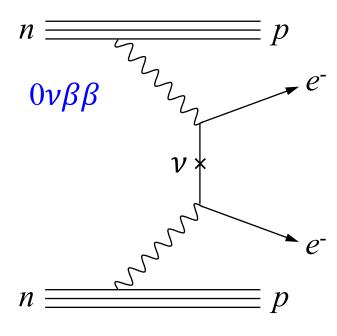
• β -decay kinematic measurement \rightarrow effective ν_e mass, a.k.a. m_{β} :

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

• $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay process (if Majorana- ν -mediated) \rightarrow effective mass $m_{\beta\beta}$:

$$m_{\beta\beta}^2 = \left| \sum U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|^2$$





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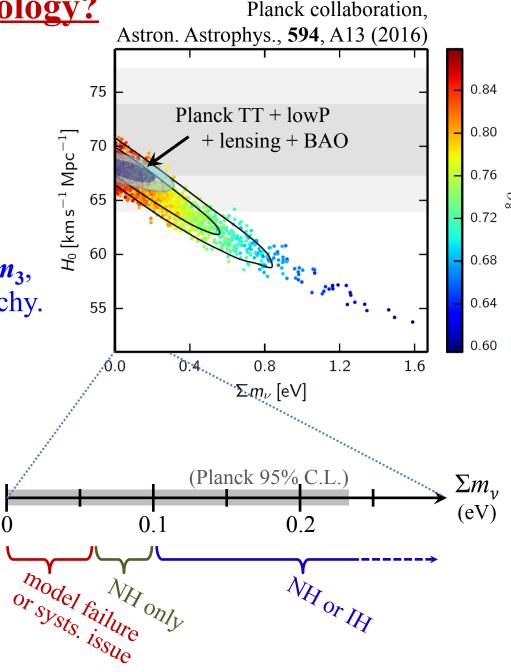


Multiple cosmological features (CMB, BAO, lensing, ...) could carry imprints of **neutrino mass** (Σm_{ν})

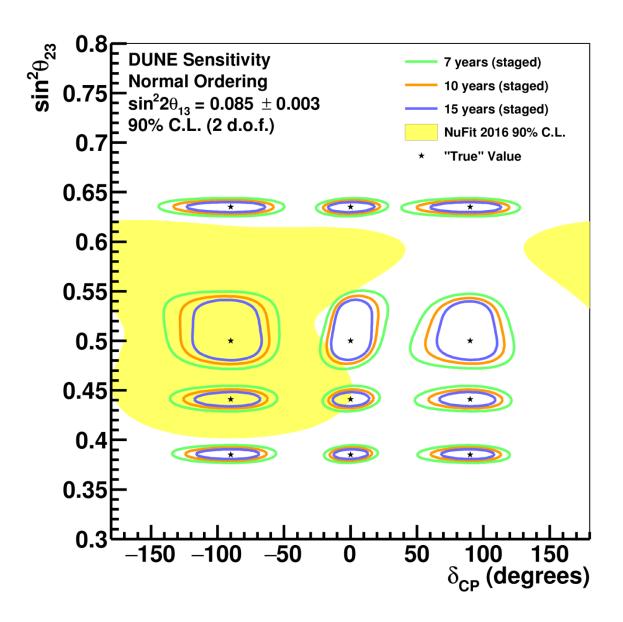
If nature has chosen NH and $m_1 \ll m_3$, then $\sum m_{\nu}$ can reveal the mass hierarchy.

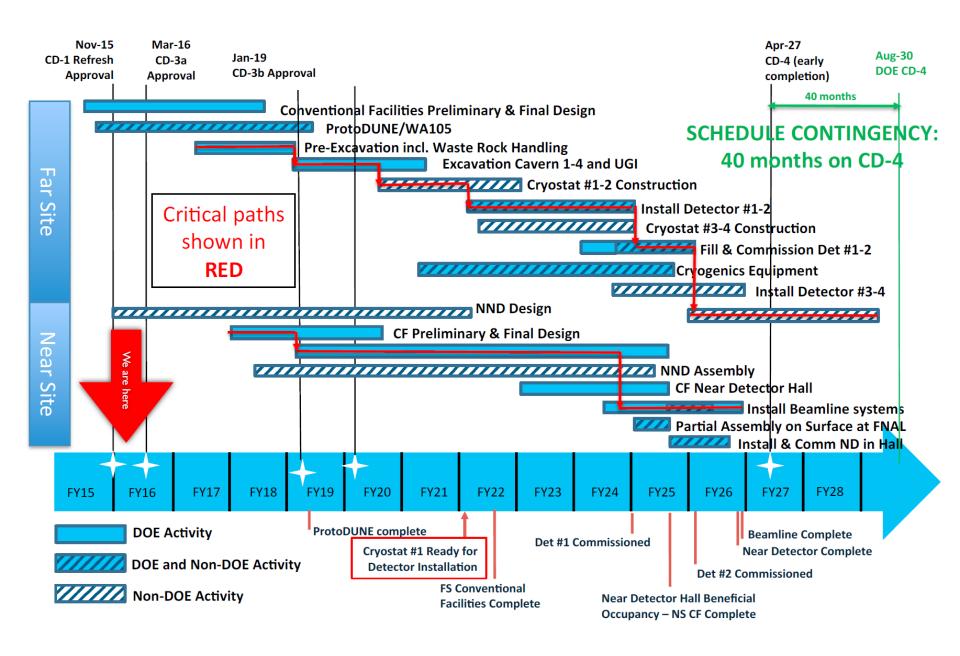
• c. 2025–2030 for 2–4 σ

IH or $m_1 \gtrsim 20$ meV precludes determining the mass hierarchy via $\sum m_{\nu}$.









Staging Assumptions

Year 0 (2026): 20-kt FD with 1.07 MW (80-GeV) beam and initial ND constraints

Year 1 (2027): 30-kt FD

Year 3 (2029): 40-kt FD and improved ND constraints

Year 6 (2032): upgrade to 2.14 MW (80-GeV) beam (technically limited schedule)

Exposure (kt-MW-years)	Exposure (Years)
171	5
300	7
556	10
984	15