

# Status of JUNO

(Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory)

# future neutrino oscillation experiment

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# Neutrino mixing

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{flavor} & & \text{mass} \\
 \text{eigenstates} & \left( \begin{array}{c} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cccc} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & \cdots \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & \cdots \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{array} \right) & \text{eigenstates} \\
 & \left( \begin{array}{c} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) &
 \end{array}$$

Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata Matrix

$$\mathbf{U} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_{23} & \sin \theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin \theta_{23} & \cos \theta_{23} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Atmospheric } \theta_{23} = 45^\circ} \times \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{13} & 0 & e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \sin \theta_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{i\delta_{CP}} \sin \theta_{13} & 0 & \cos \theta_{13} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Reactor } \theta_{13} = 9^\circ} \times \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{12} & \sin \theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_{12} & \cos \theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Solar } \theta_{12} \approx 34^\circ} \times \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\alpha/2+i\beta} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Majorana } 0\nu\beta\beta}$$

# Neutrino mass hierarchy

Is  $\nu_3$  mass eigenstate heavier or lighter than  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$ ?

The mass hierarchy can impact on many important processes in particle physics, astrophysics and cosmology.

E.g. in case of the inverted mass hierarchy the  $0\nu 2\beta$ -decay could be observed in the next generation experiments proving Majorana (excluding Dirac) nature of the neutrinos.

We know

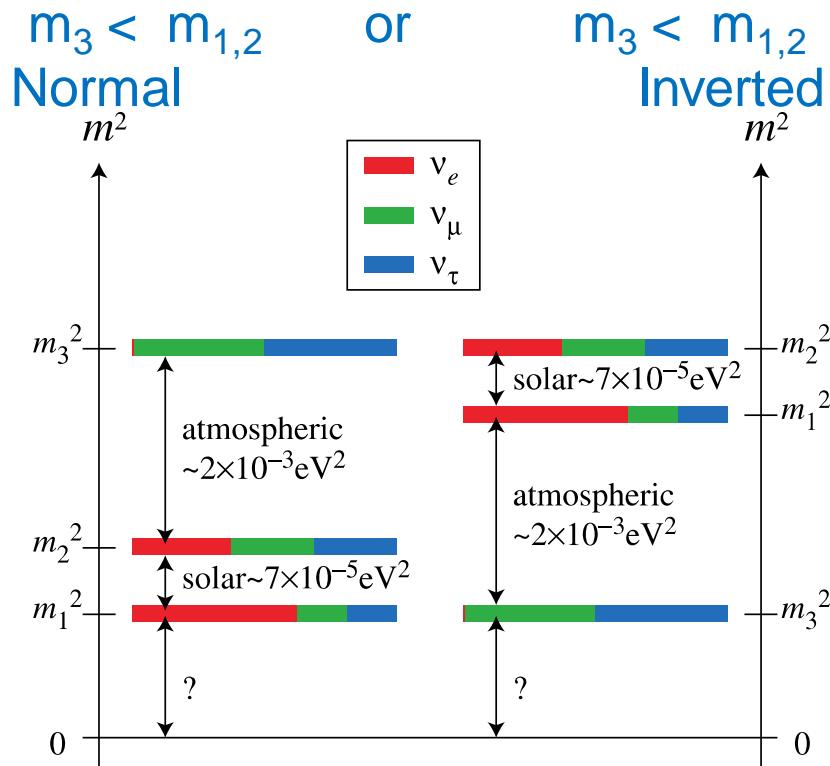
$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \ll |\Delta m_{32}^2| \approx |\Delta m_{31}^2|$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \approx 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$|\Delta m_{32}^2| \approx |\Delta m_{31}^2| \approx 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\text{where } \Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

We want to know



# JUNO physics measurements

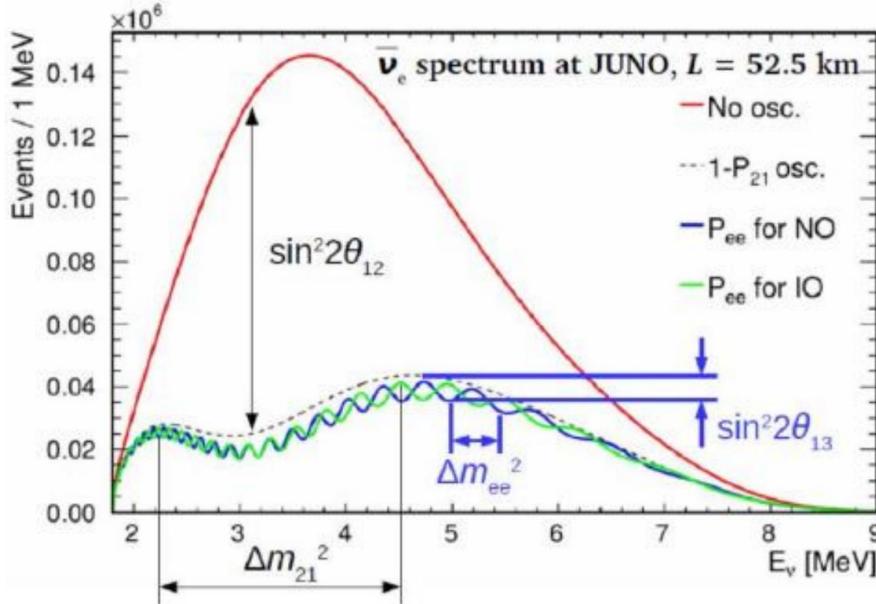
$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - \boxed{\sin^2 2\theta_{13} (\cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32})} - \boxed{\cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21}}$$

$$\approx 1 - \boxed{\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{ee}} - \boxed{\cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21}}$$

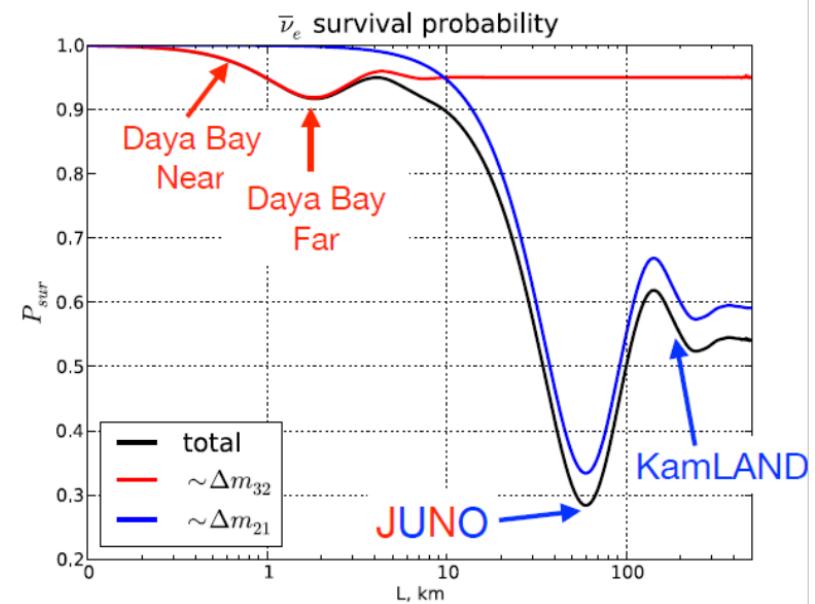
$$\Delta_{ij} = \Delta m_{ij}^2 \frac{L}{4E}$$

Measurement of the antineutrino spectrum allows to determine precisely four oscillation parameters:

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{12} \quad \Delta m_{21}^2 \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \quad |\Delta m_{ee}^2|$$



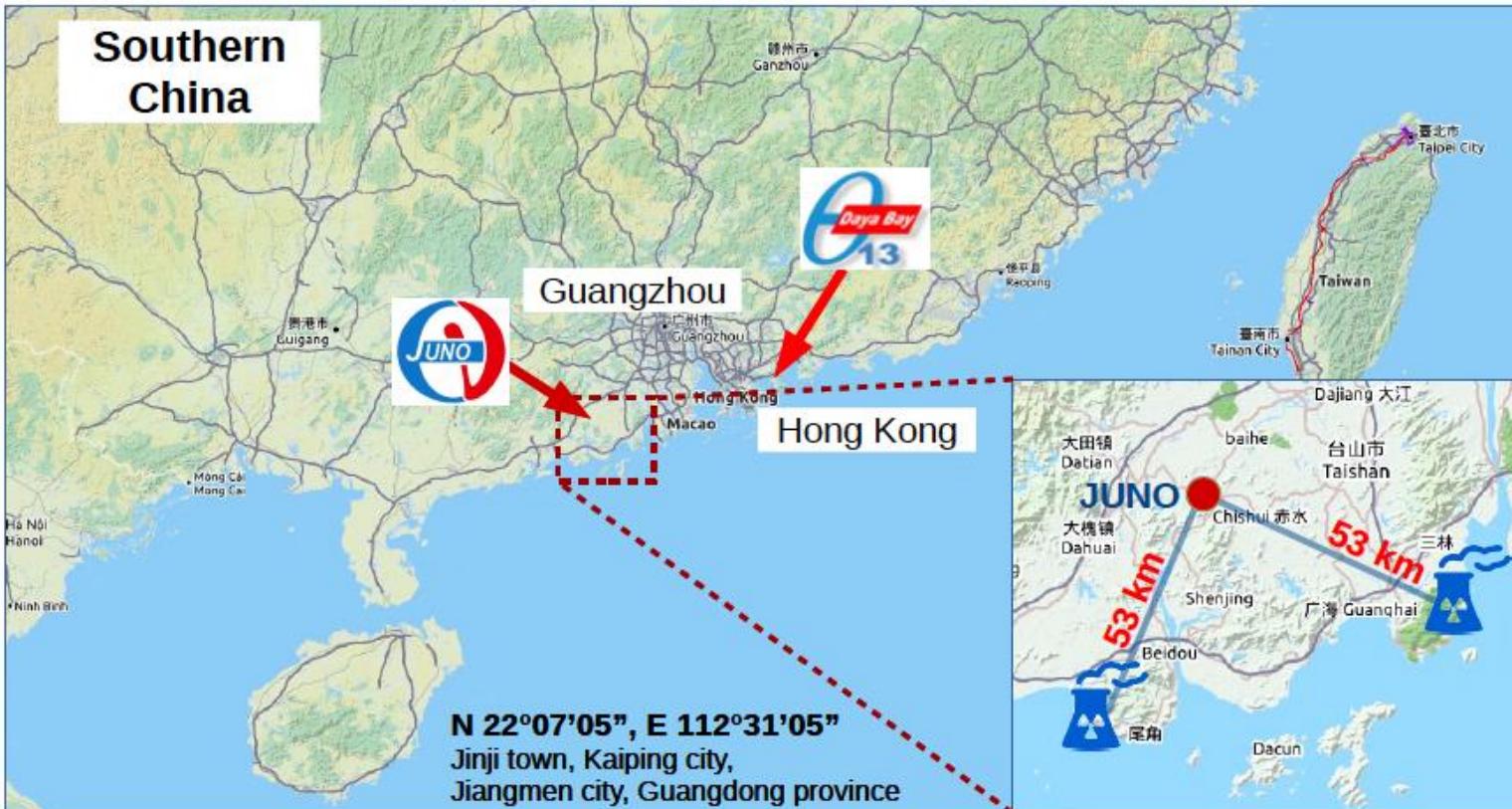
Measurement is the most sensitive in the location of the maximal oscillation effect.



A good energy resolution and statistics is necessary to distinguish between the normal and inverted neutrino mass hierarchies.

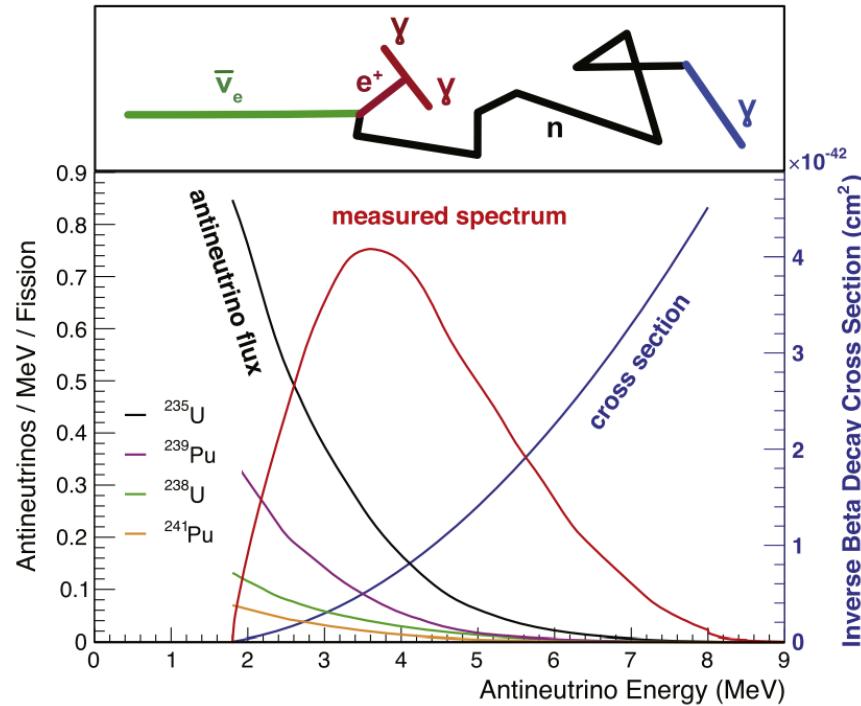
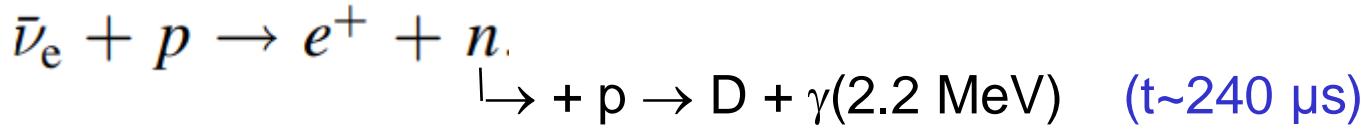
# JUNO Experiment

- Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory
- a multi-purpose neutrino experiment,
- approved in Feb. 2013,
- ~ 300 M\$,
- data taking: ~2020.
- Neutrino source: 10 nuclear reactors (Yangjiang+Taishan: 26.6-35.7 GWth),
- baseline: 53 km,
- overburden: ~700 m.



# Detection of $\bar{\nu}_e$

Inverse beta-decay in LAB liquid scintillator:



$$E_{\bar{\nu}} \approx T_{e+} + T_n + (m_n - m_p) + m_{e+} \approx T_{e+} + 1.8 \text{ MeV} \text{ (threshold)}$$

$$E_{\bar{\nu}}^{\text{prompt}} = T_{e+} + 2m_e \text{ (annihilation gammas)}$$

$$E_{\bar{\nu}} \approx E_{\bar{\nu}}^{\text{prompt}} + 0.8 \text{ MeV}$$

# How to reach the requested energy resolution (Mass Hierarchy)

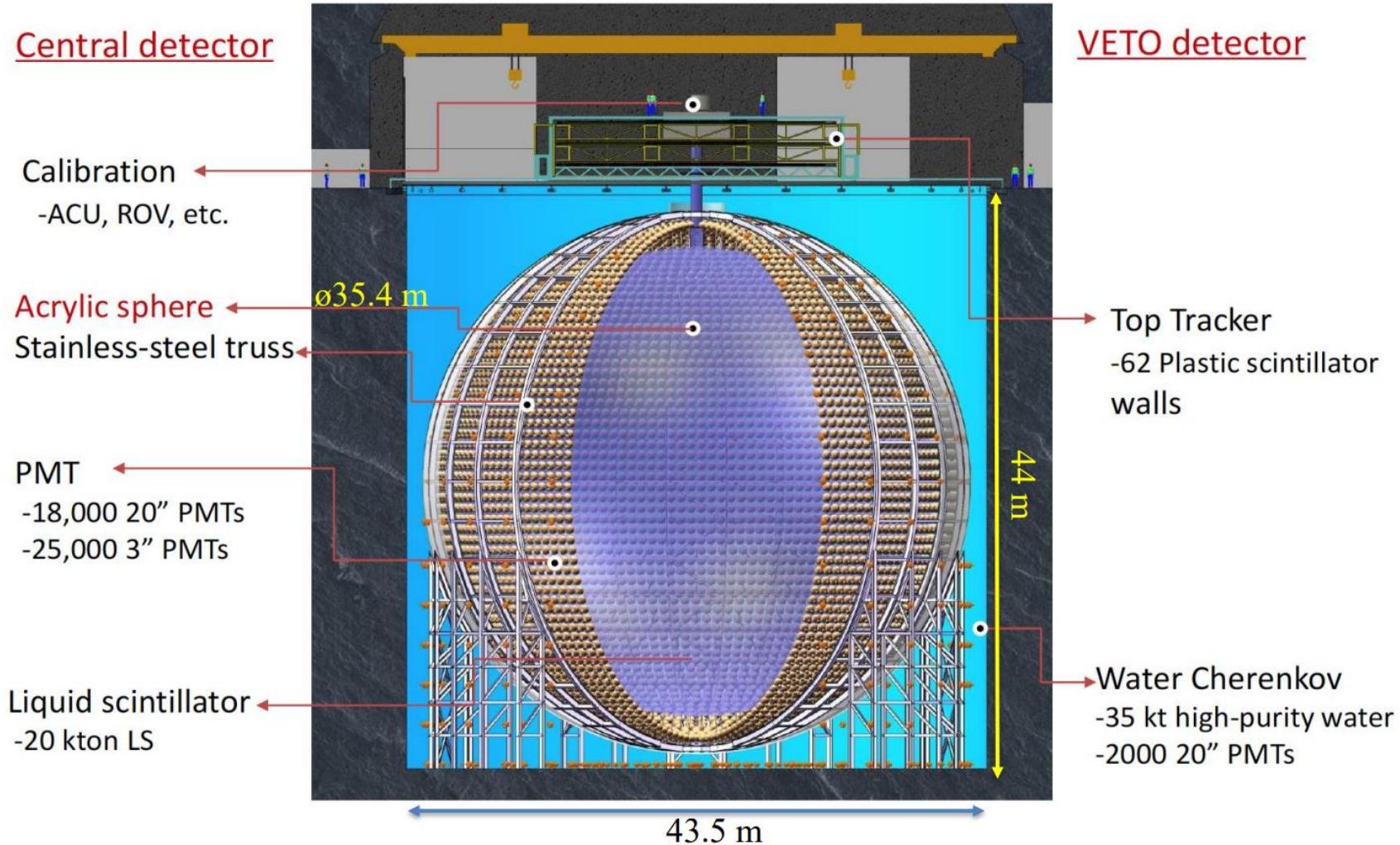
	KamLAND	BOREXINO	Daya Bay	JUNO
Target Mass	1 kton	300 ton	8x20 ton	20 kton
PE Collection (PE/MeV)	250	500	160	1200
Photocathode Coverage	34%	34%	12%	80%
Energy Resolution	6%/ $\sqrt{E}$	5%/ $\sqrt{E}$	7.5%/ $\sqrt{E}$	3%/ $\sqrt{E}$
Energy Calibration	2%	1%	1.5%	<1%

JUNO will be the largest liquid scintillator detector and with the best energy resolution in the world.

# JUNO detector

**Central detector:** 20 kton active mass LAB scintillator, PMTs coverage > 75%, energy resolution 3%@1 MeV.

**Detector overburden:** ~700 m of granite.



# Veto system

## Top tracker (TT):

- Re-using the Target Tracker walls of the OPERA experiment;
- Total number is 62 and cover half of the top area;
- 3 TT layers spaced by 1.7 m, each layer have x,y readout;
- A solid bridge support the TT and its mechanical structure;
- Perform a precise muon tracking and provide valuable information for cosmic muon induced Li9/He8 study.

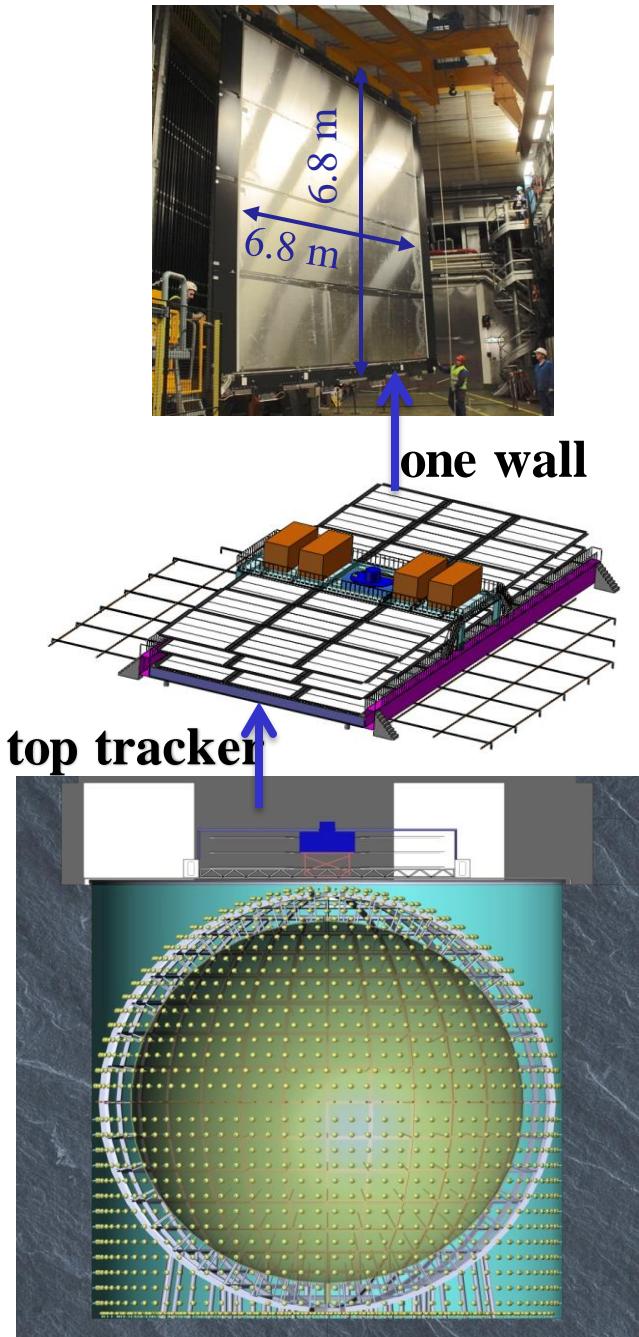
## Water Cherenkov detector:

- ~2000 20" MCP-PMTs used for veto system;
- Detector efficiency is expected to be >95%;
- Fast neutron background ~0.1/day.

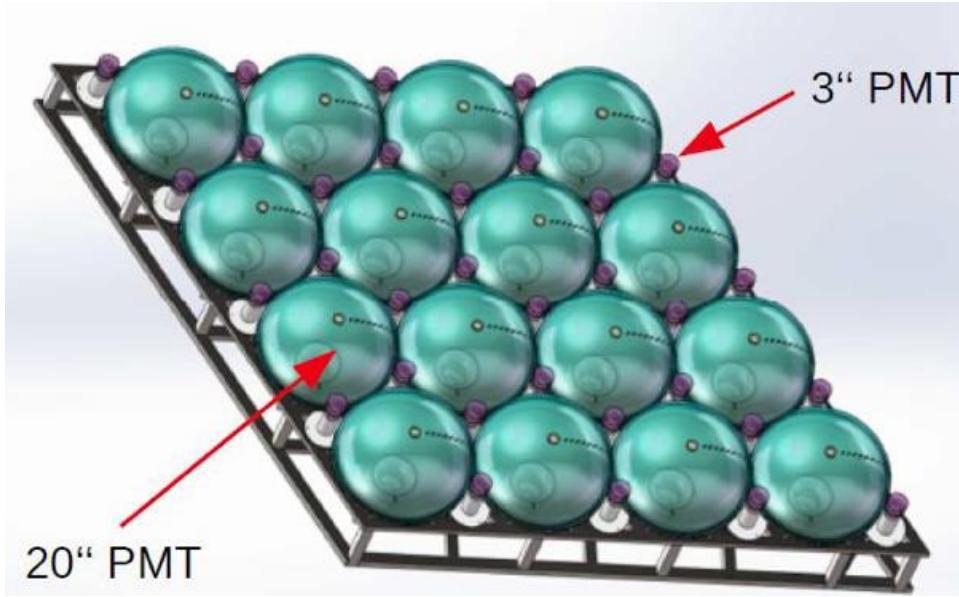
**Compensation coils system** used for earth magnet field shielding to keep PMT performance.

## Water system:

- Employ a circulation/polishing water system;
- Keep a good water quality -including radon control.



# Central detector PMT systems



**Design goal:** 1.2 k p.e. / MeV  
**Requirements:**

- High optical coverage (~ 78%)
- High photon detection efficiency
- Acceptable noise / radio purity levels
- Acceptable time resolution (event reconstruction)
- Broad dynamic range

JUNO will have two independent calorimetry PMT systems:

## 18 k large 20" PMTs

- 75% coverage
- Stochastic term:  $3\% / \sqrt{E/\text{MeV}}$
- Slower + worse p.e. resolution
- High dark noise

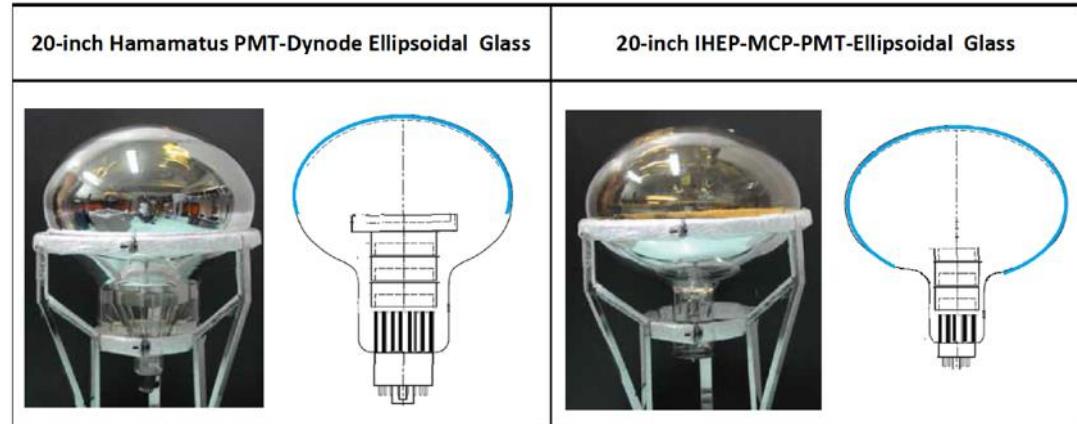
## 25 k small 3" PMTs

- 3% coverage
- Stochastic term:  $14\% / \sqrt{E}$
- Faster + better p.e. resolution
- Low dark noise

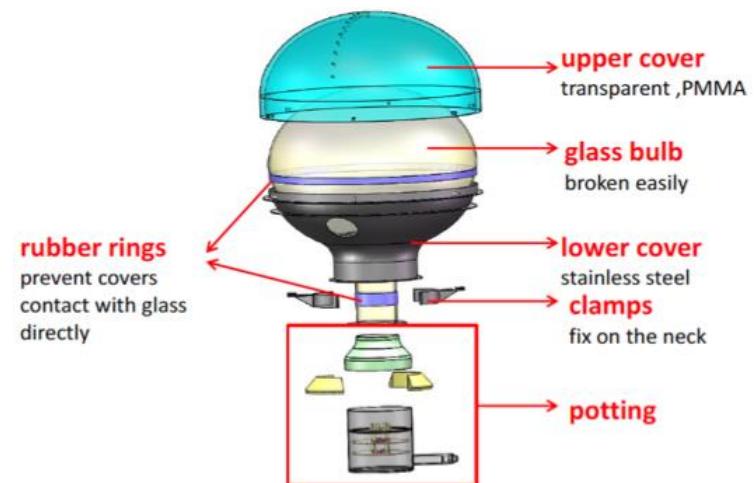
# 20" PMTs

Contracts were signed in 2015

- 15k MCP-PMT (75%) from NNVT
- 5k Dynode PMT (25%) from Hamamatsu

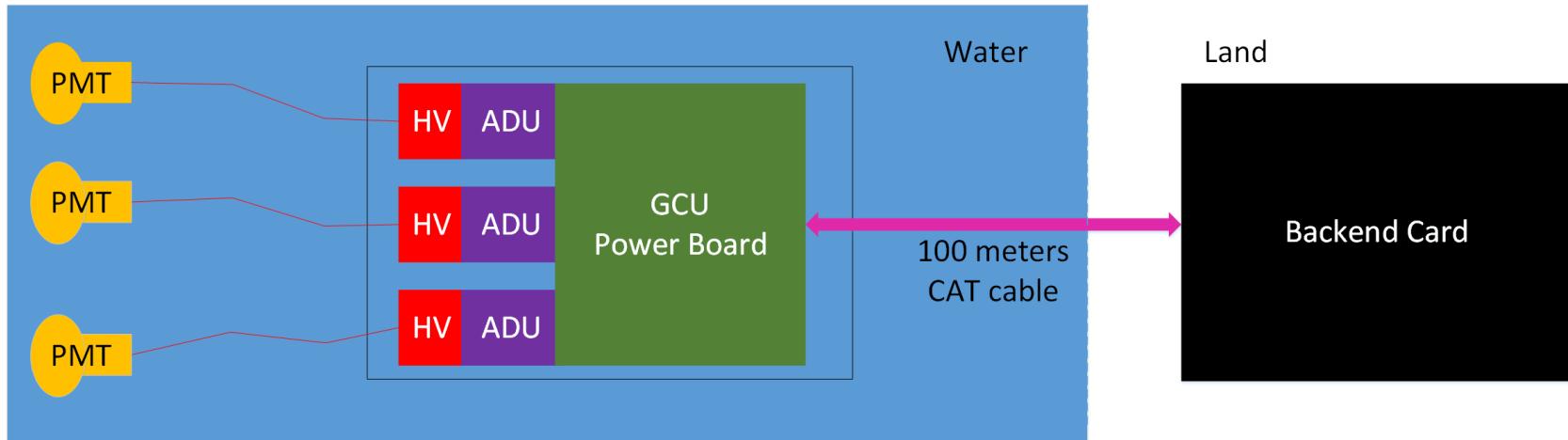


Characteristics	unit	MCP-PMT (NNVT)	R12860 (Hamamatsu)
Detection Efficiency (QE*CE*area)	%	<b>27%, &gt; 24%</b>	<b>27%, &gt; 24%</b>
P/V of SPE		3.5, > 2.8	3, > 2.5
TTS on the top point	ns	~12, < 15	<b>2.7, &lt; 3.5</b>
Rise time/ Fall time	ns	R~2, F~12	R~5, F~9
Anode Dark Count	Hz	20K, < 30K	10K, < 50K
After Pulse Rate	%	<b>1, &lt;2</b>	10, < 15
Radioactivity of glass	ppb	<b>238U:50</b> <b>232Th:50</b> <b>40K: 20</b>	238U:400 232Th:400 40K: 40

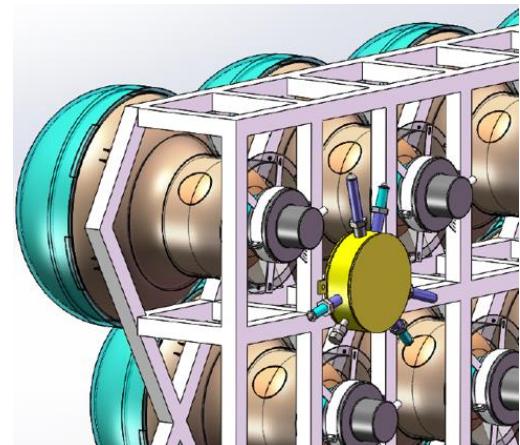


# 20" PMTs – electronics

1F3 scheme

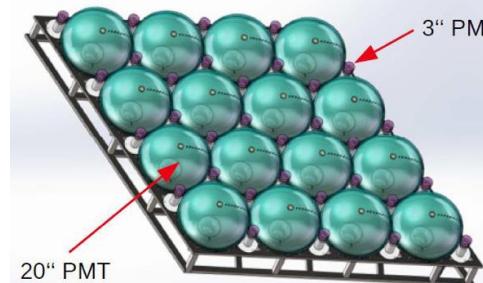


- PMT: photomultiplier tubes
- HV: High Voltage units
- ADU: Analog to Digital Unit
- GCU: Global Control Unit
- CAT cable: Category 5e cable
- High reliability needed
- Severe constraints by power consumption



# 3" PMTs

- 25000 3" PMTs, contracted to **HZC** (China)
- Together with the 20" PMTs as a double calorimetry
  - Increase photon statistics by ~2.5%
  - Energy measurement via “photon counting”, better control of systematics
  - muon tracking, supernova detection ...
- Production is expected to start early 2018



# Calibration

- The goal:

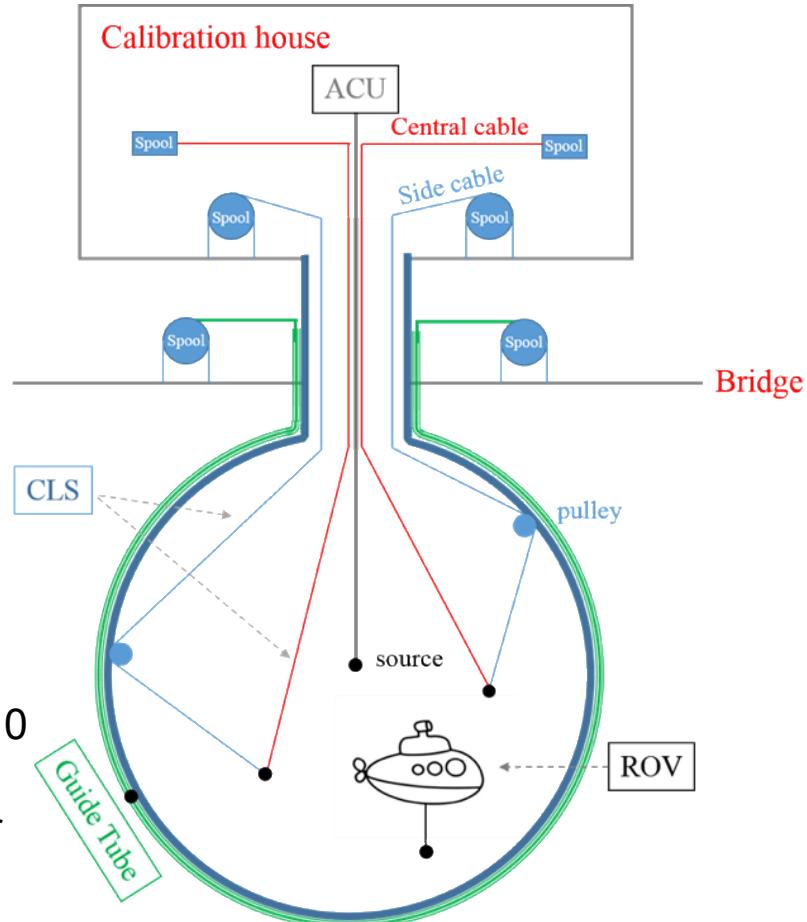
- Overall energy resolution:  $\leq 3\%/\sqrt{E/\text{MeV}}$
- Energy scale uncertainty: <1%

- Radioactive sources:

- gamma:  $^{40}\text{K}$ ,  $^{54}\text{Mn}$ ,  $^{60}\text{Co}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$
- positrons:  $^{22}\text{Na}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Ge}$
- neutrons:  $^{241}\text{Am-Be}$ ,  $^{241}\text{Am-}^{13}\text{C}$  or  $^{241}\text{Pu-}^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{252}\text{Cf}$

- Four complementary calibration systems

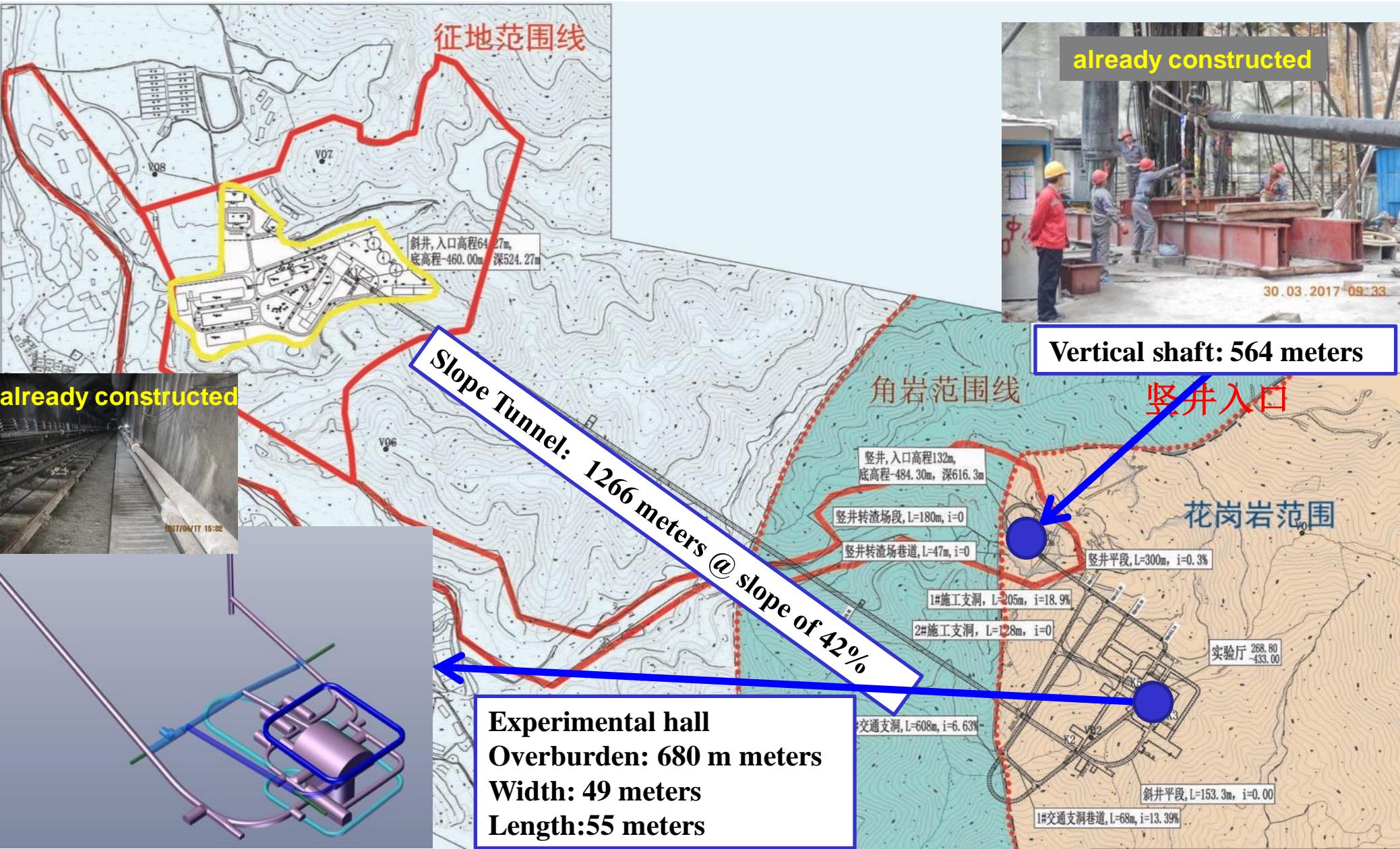
- 1-D: Automatic Calibration Unit (ACU) → for central axis scan (sub-cm positioning),
- 2-D:
  - Cable Loop System (CLS) → scan vertical planes (10 cm precision),
  - Guide Tube Calibration System (GTCS) → CD outer surface scan (already tested),
- 3-D: Remotely Operated under-LS Vehicle (ROV) → whole detector scan (first version tested)



# Experimental site



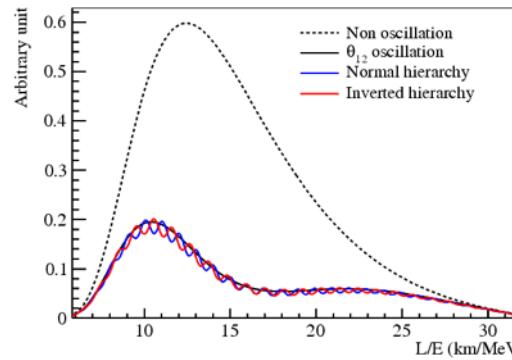
# JUNO civil construction



# JUNO Physics Program

**Neutrino Physics with JUNO,  
J. Phys. G 43, 030401 (2016)**

- Reactor neutrinos
  - Mass Hierarchy
    - needed energy resolution ~3% @ 1 MeV,
    - energy scale uncertainty <1%
  - Precision measurements of oscillation parameters
- Supernovae neutrinos
- Geoneutrinos
- Solar neutrinos
- Atmospheric neutrinos
- Exotic searches



# JUNO schedule



# JUNO Collaboration

Armenia	Yerevan Physics Institute	China	Nankai U.	Finland	University of Oulu	Italy	INFN-Milano
Belgium	Université libre de Bruxelles	China	NCEPU	France	APC Paris	Italy	INFN-Milano Bicocca
Brazil	PUC	China	Pekin U.	France	CENBG Bordeaux	Italy	INFN-Padova
Brazil	UEL	China	Shandong U.	France	CPPM Marseille	Italy	INFN-Perugia
Chile	PCUC	China	Shanghai JT U.	France	IPHC Strasbourg	Italy	INFN-Roma 3
Chile	UTFSM	China	Sichuan U.	France	Subatech Nantes	Pakistan	PINSTECH (PAEC)
China	BISEE	China	IMP-CAS	Germany	ZEA FZ Julich	Russia	INR Moscow
China	Beijing Normal U.	China	SYSU	Germany	RWTH Aachen U.	Russia	JINR
China	CAGS	China	Tsinghua U.	Germany	TUM	Russia	MSU
China	ChongQing University	China	UCAS	Germany	U. Hamburg	Slovakia	FMPICU
China	CIAE	China	USTC	Germany	IKP FZ Jülich	Taiwan	National Chiao-Tung U.
China	DGUT	China	U. of South China	Germany	U. Mainz	Taiwan	National Taiwan U.
China	ECUST	China	Wu Yi U.	Germany	U. Tuebingen	Taiwan	National United U.
China	Guangxi U.	China	Wuhan U.	Italy	INFN Catania	Thailand	SUT
China	Harbin Institute of Technology	China	Xi'an JT U.	Italy	INFN di Frascati	Thailand	NARIT
China	IHEP	China	Xiamen University	Italy	INFN-Ferrara	Thailand	PPRLCU
China	Jilin U.	China	NUDT			USA	UMD1
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China	Nanjing U.						

71 Institutions, 550 collaborators



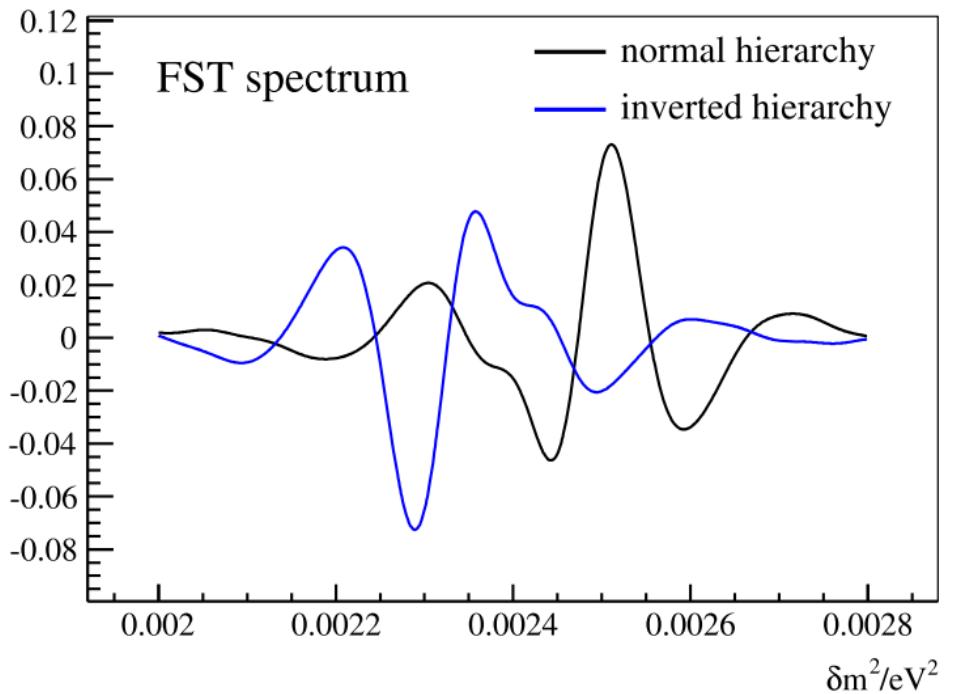
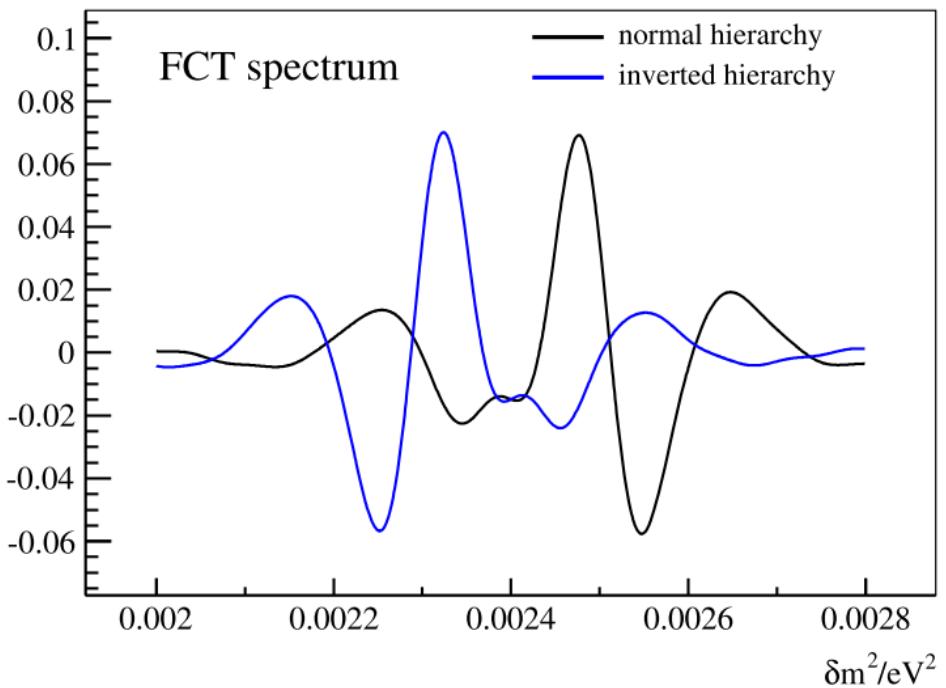
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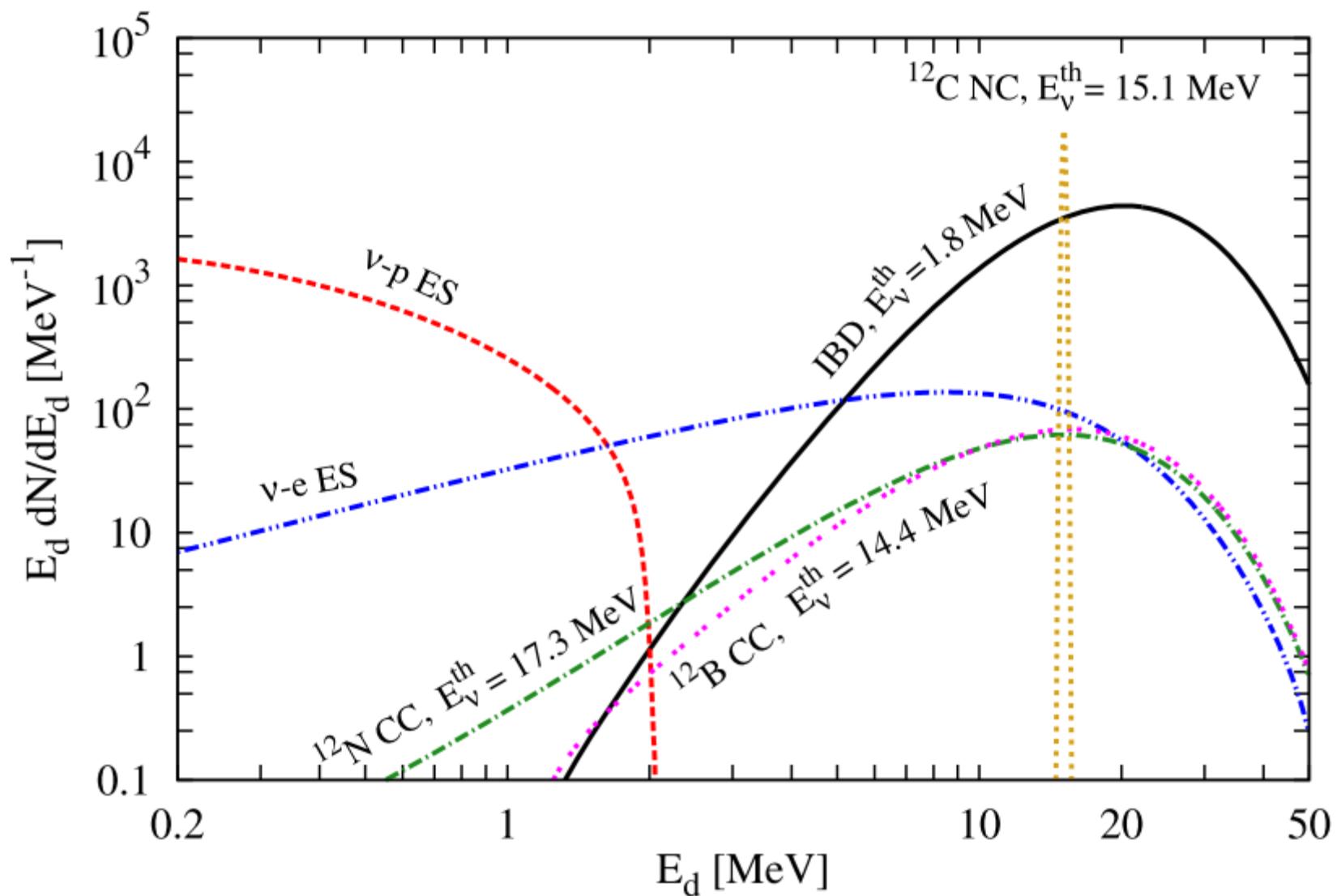
- JUNO Collaboration since 2014
  - 71 institutes from 16 countries
- High energy resolution is needed mainly for MH determination
  - ✓ High quality liquid scintillator
  - ✓ High detection efficiency PMTs
  - ✓ More than 75% photocathode coverage
  - ✓ Extensive calibration program
- Construction of the underground lab ongoing
- PMTs already purchased and tests already started
- The detector design is now finalised, installation by 2019
- Data taking beginning of next decade



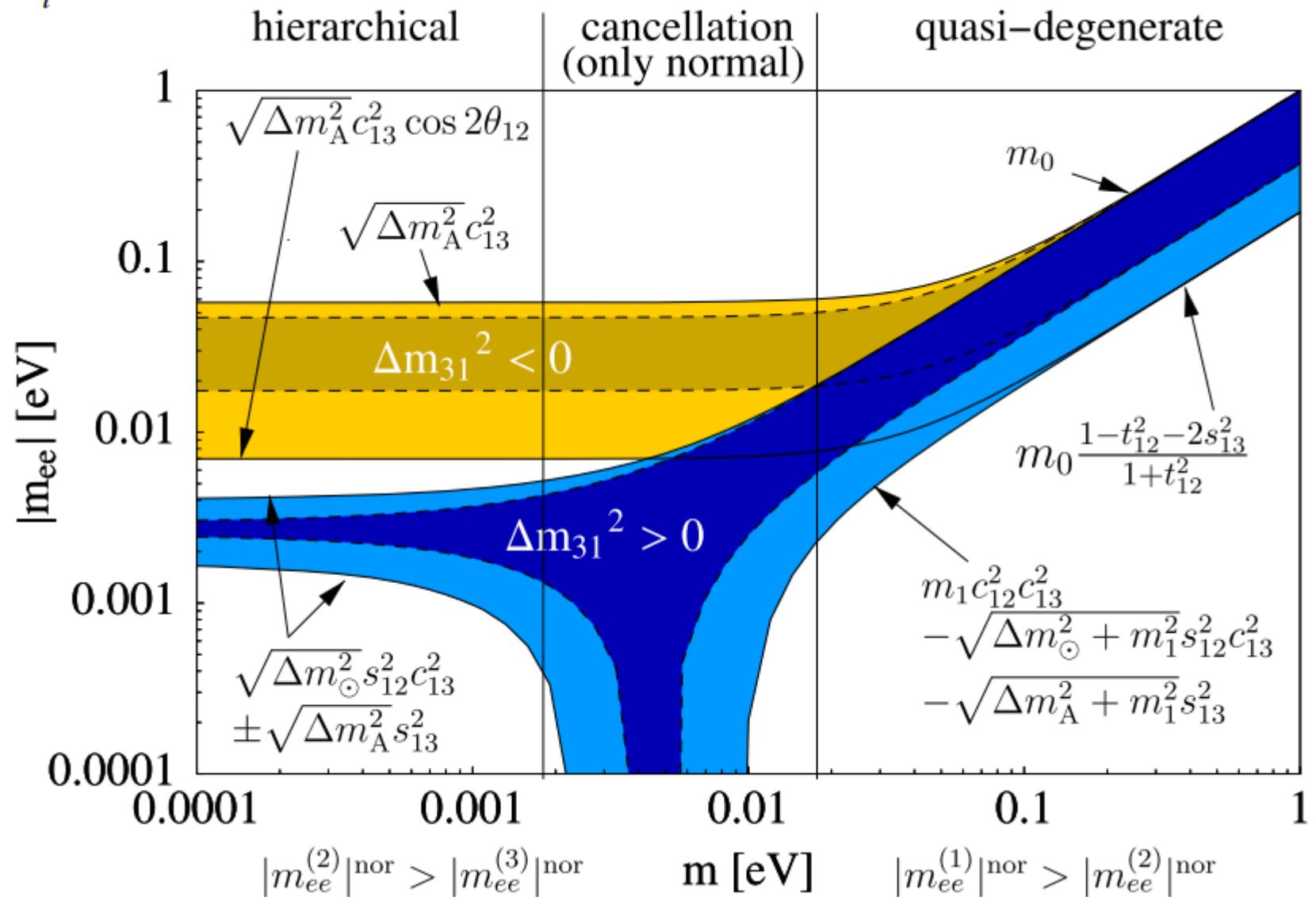
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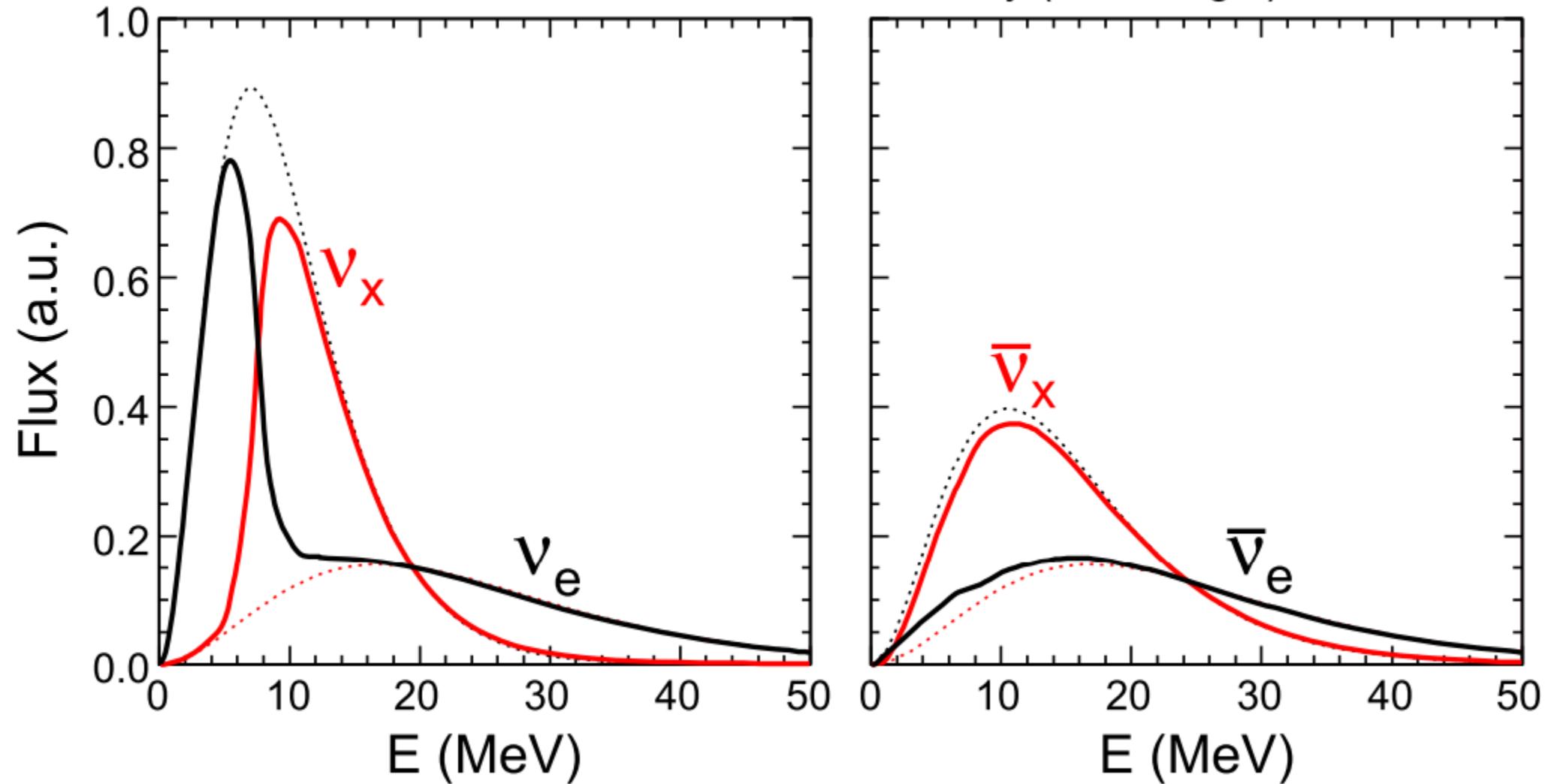


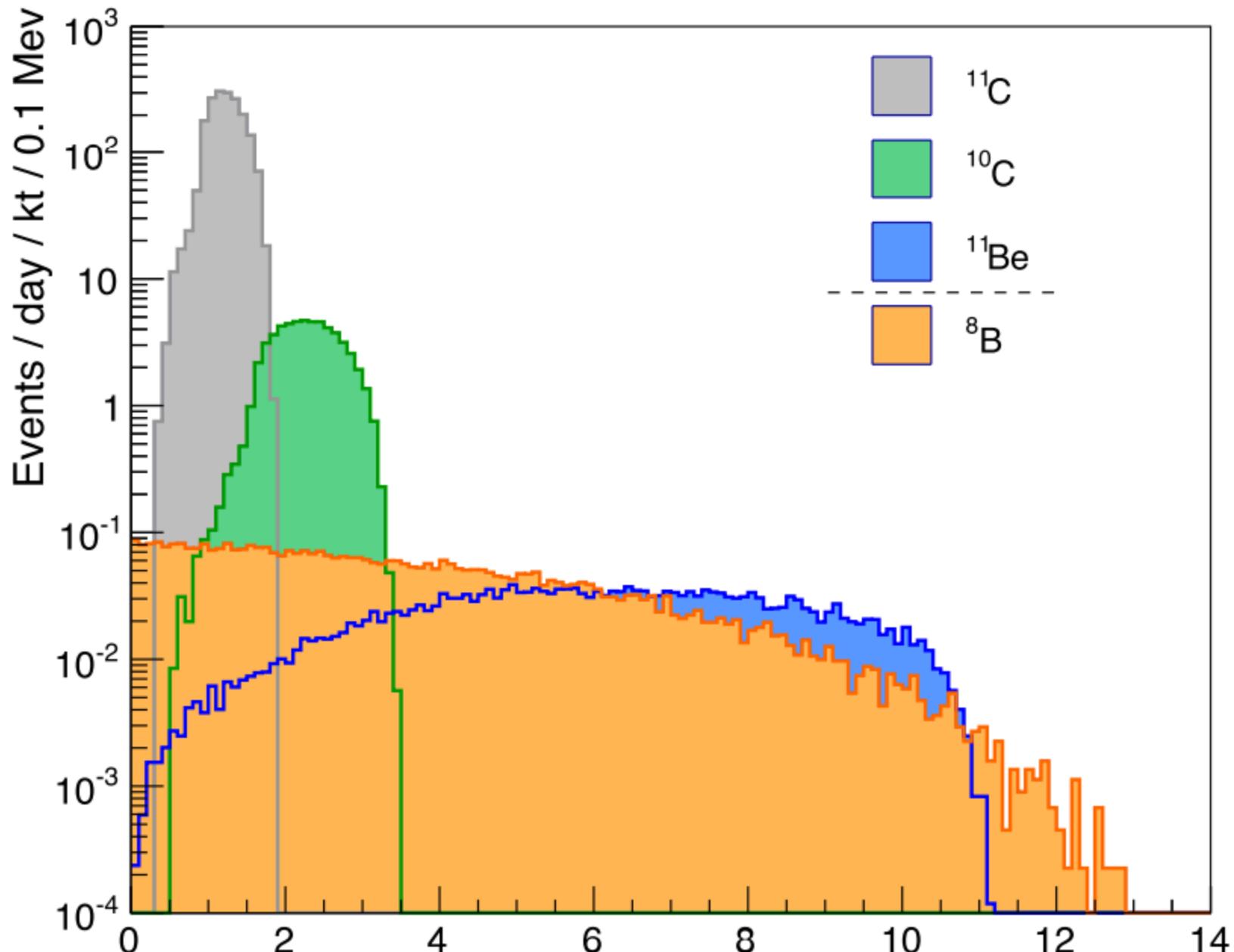


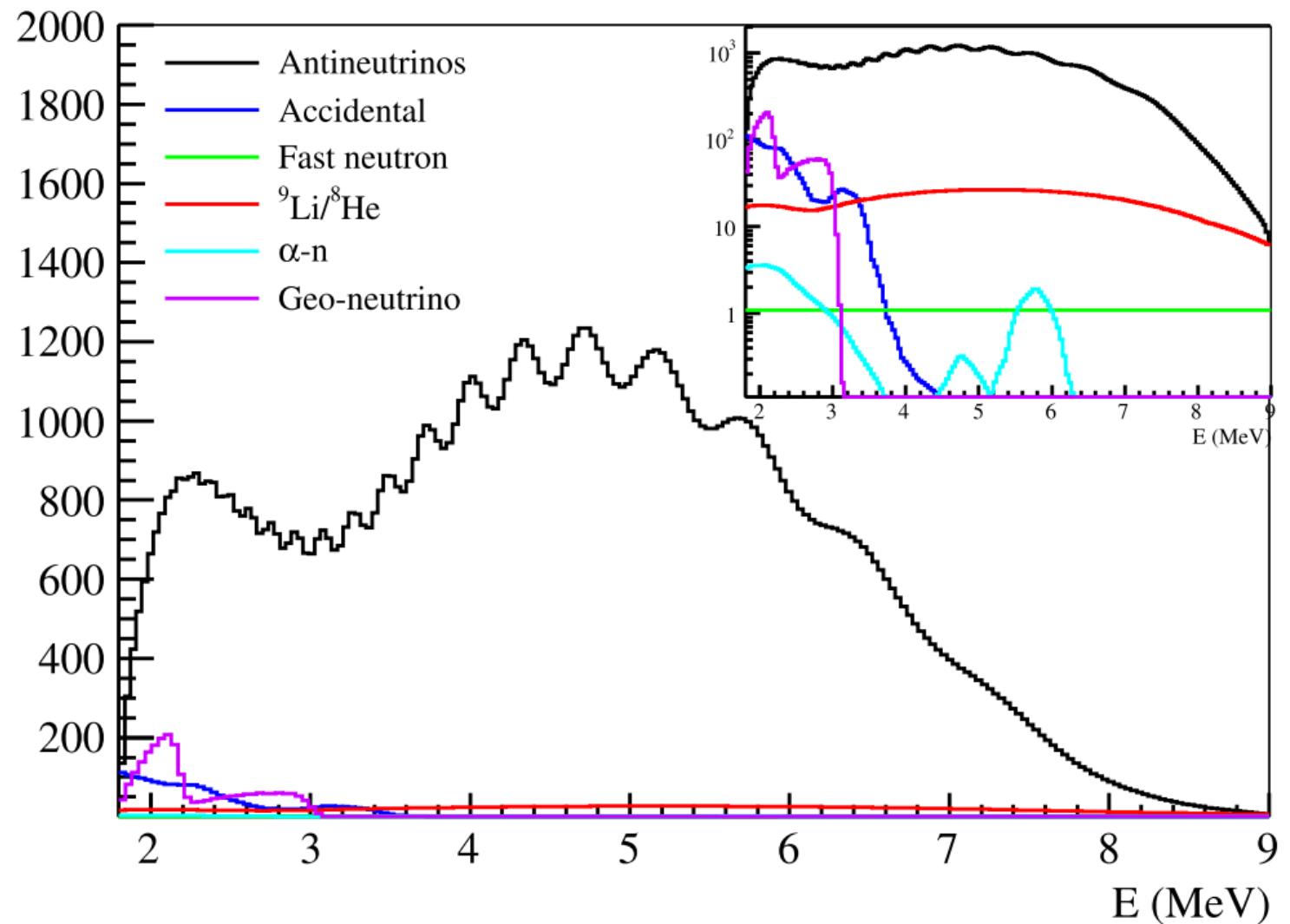
$$\langle m \rangle_{ee} \equiv \sum_i (m_i U_{ei}^2)$$

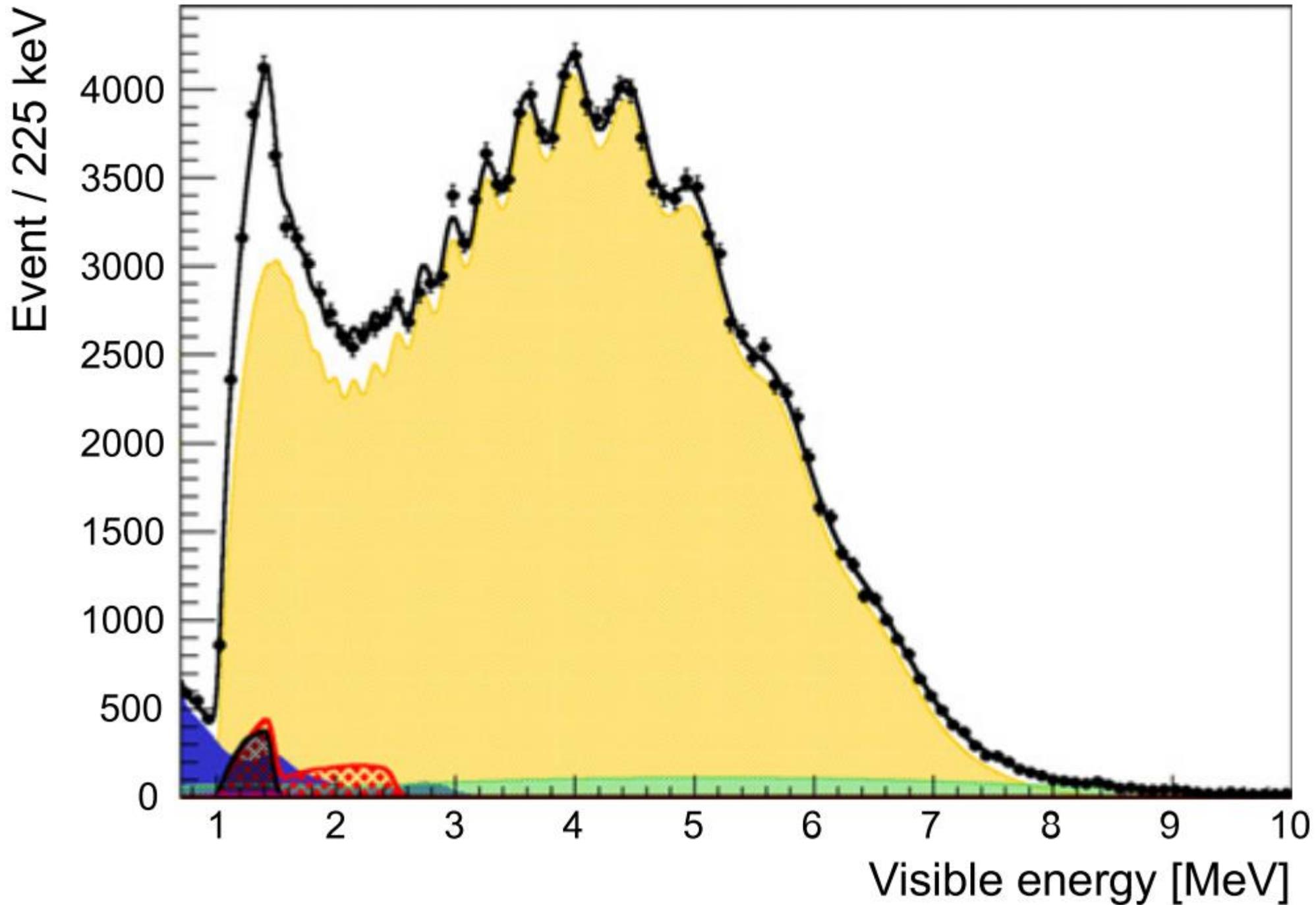


### Final fluxes in inverted hierarchy (multi-angle)



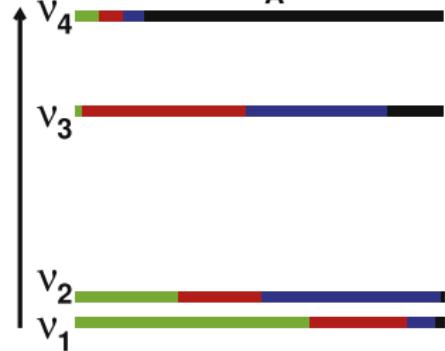






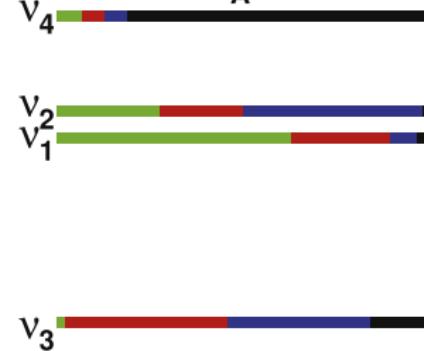
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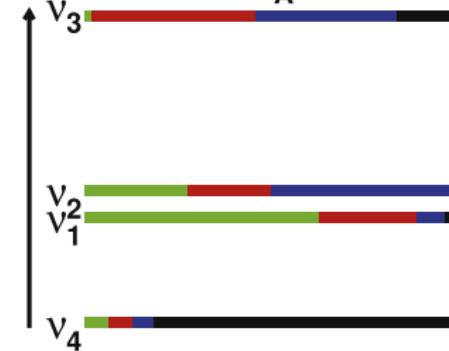
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(b)  $\text{IH}_A + \text{NH}_S$



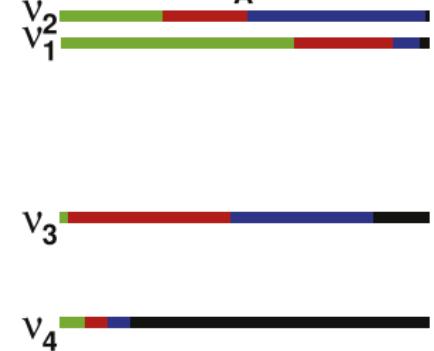
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(c)  $\text{NH}_A + \text{IH}_S$

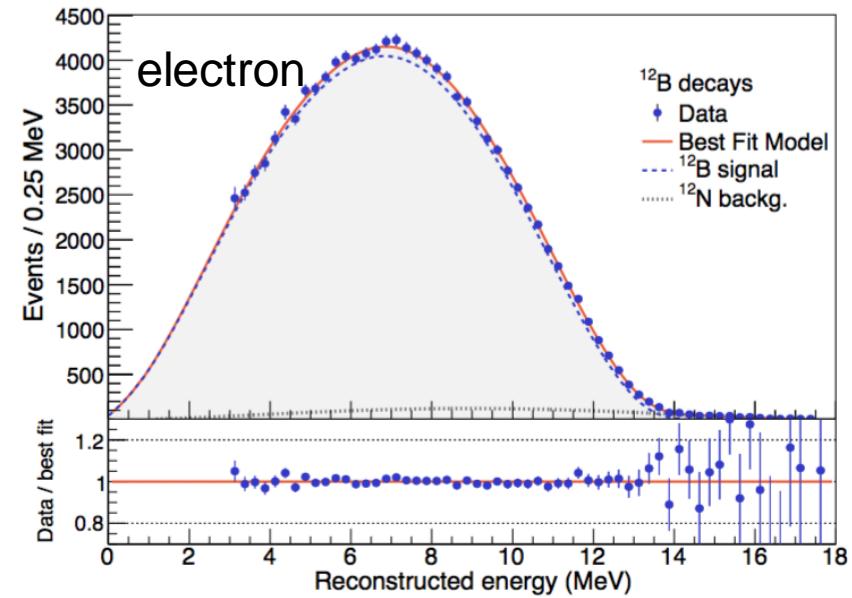
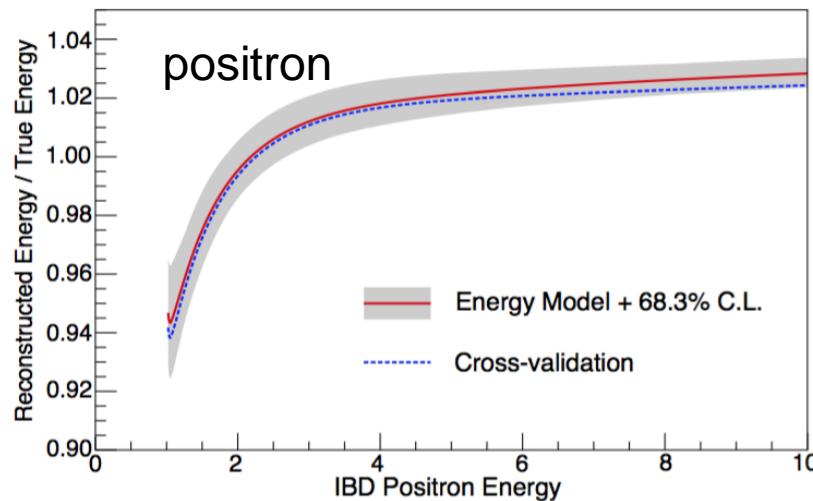
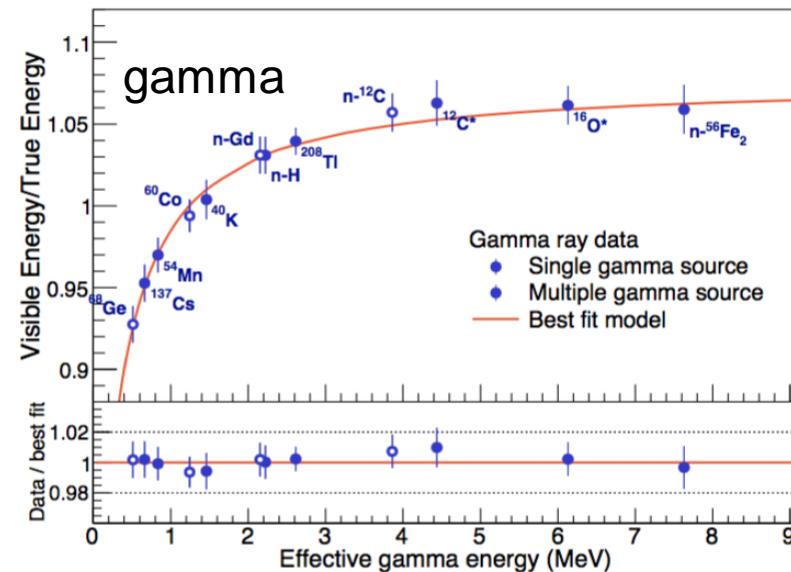


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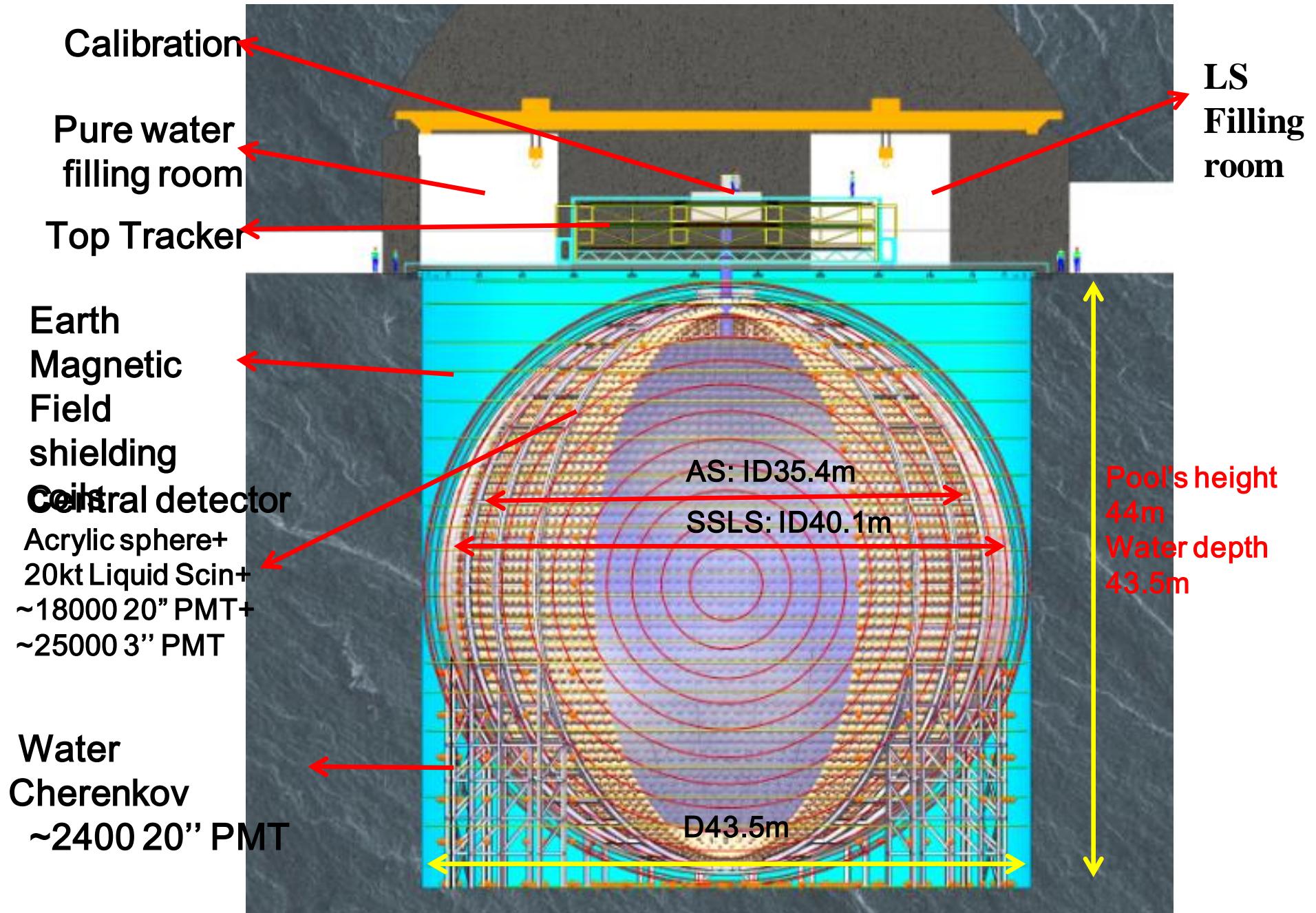
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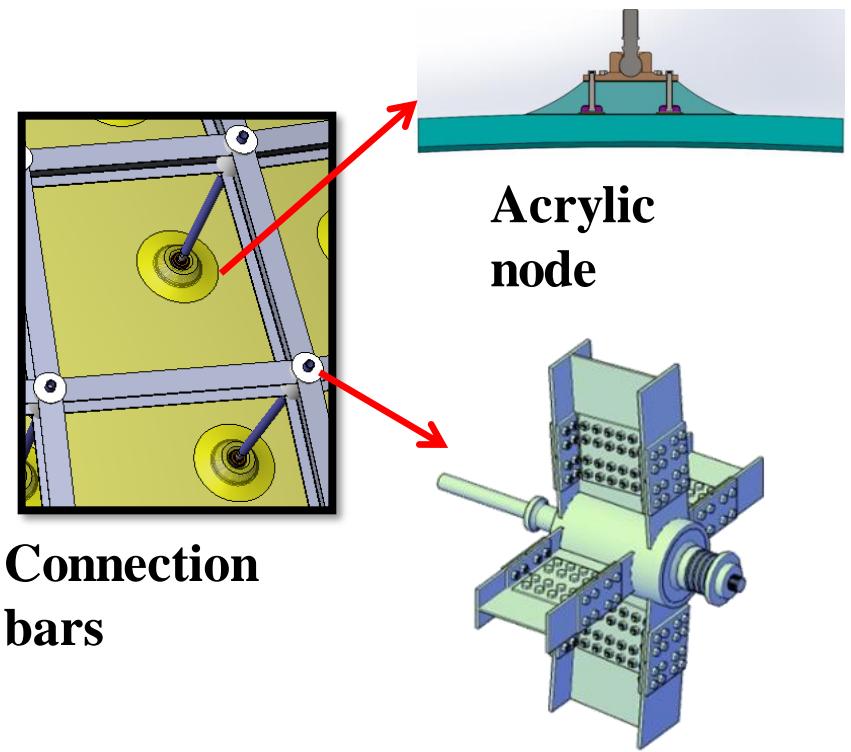
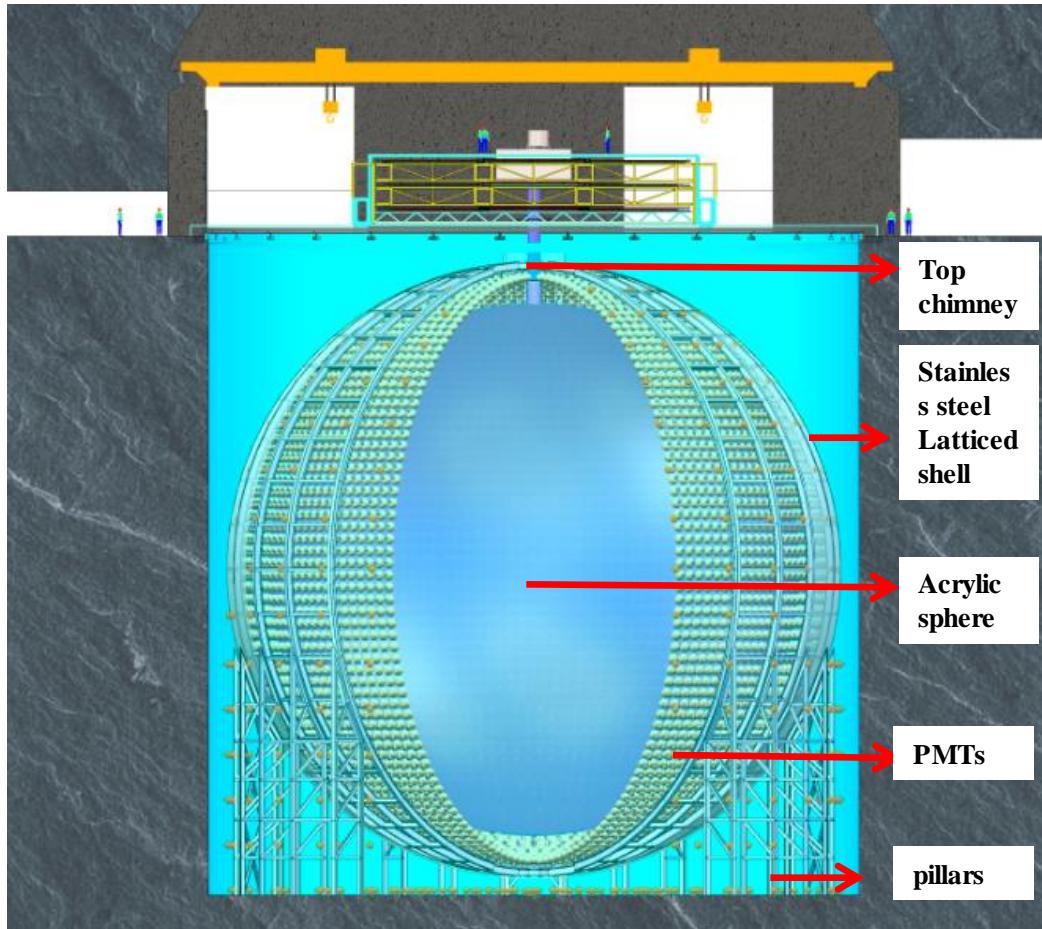
# Energy non-linearity calibration



- Two major sources of non-linearity:
  - Scintillator response
  - Readout electronics
- Energy model for positron is derived from measured gamma and electron responses using simulation.  
**~1% uncertainty (correlated among detectors)**



# Central detector



**Acrylic sphere supported by stainless steel shell**

**Other system of CD: filling system**

# Veto System

## Top Tracker

- Re-using the OPERA's Target Tracker (plastic scintillators)
- Three (x-y) layers to ensure good muon tracking (3 muons/s)
- Muon rejection studies
- Cosmogenic background study ( ${}^9\text{Li}$ ,  ${}^8\text{He}$ )
- Arrived in China in July

