

DUNE as the next-generation solar neutrino experiment

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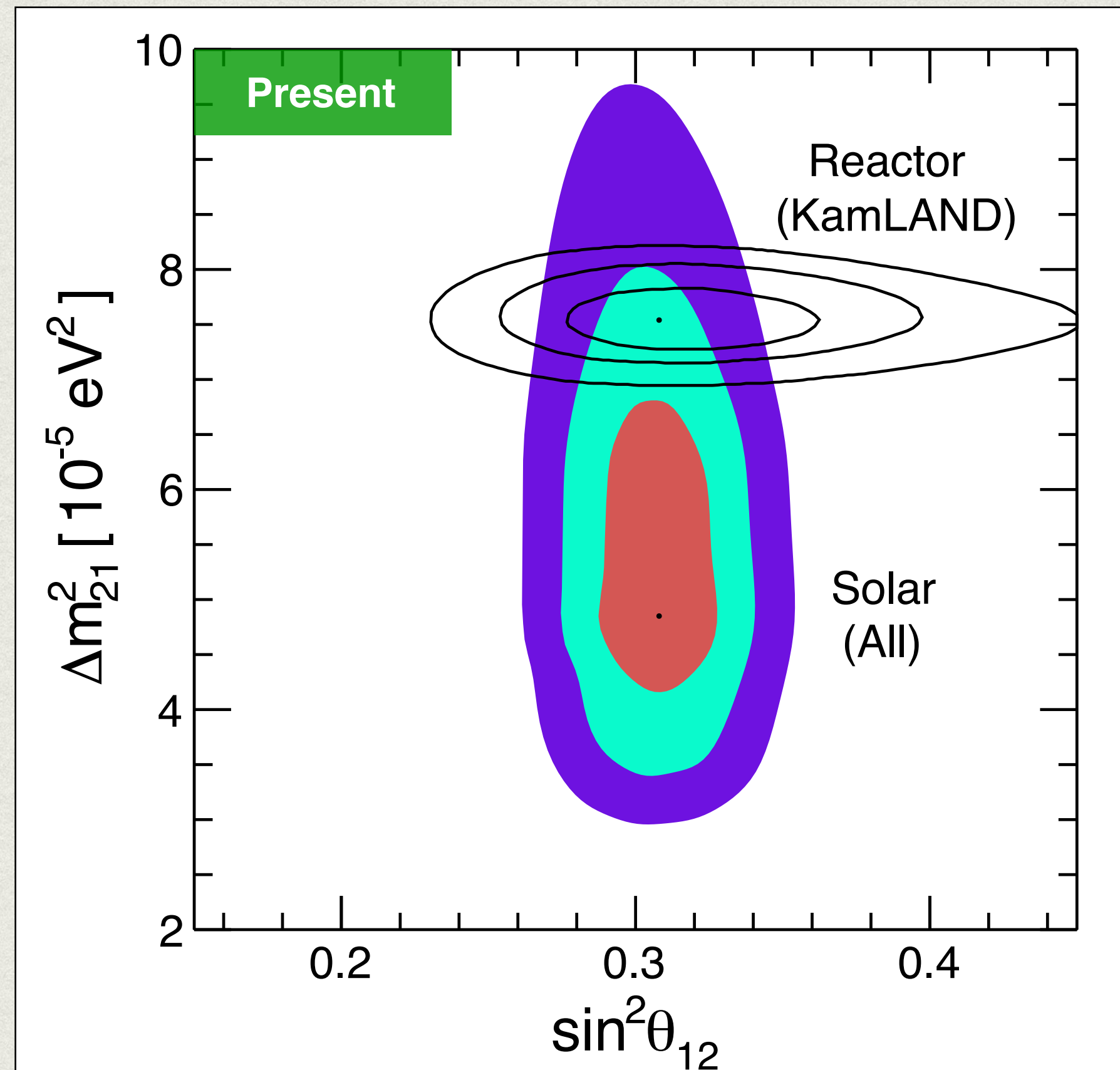
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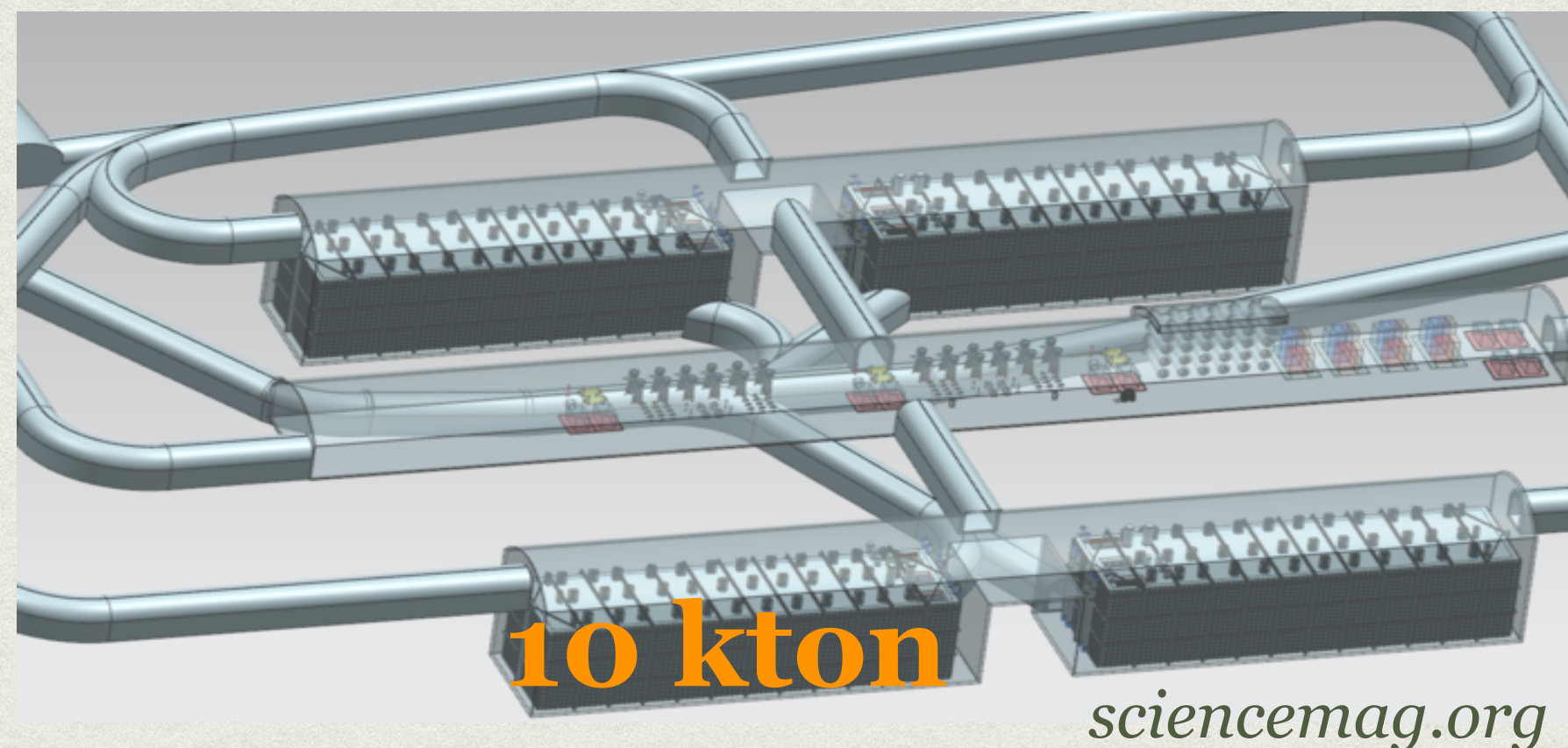
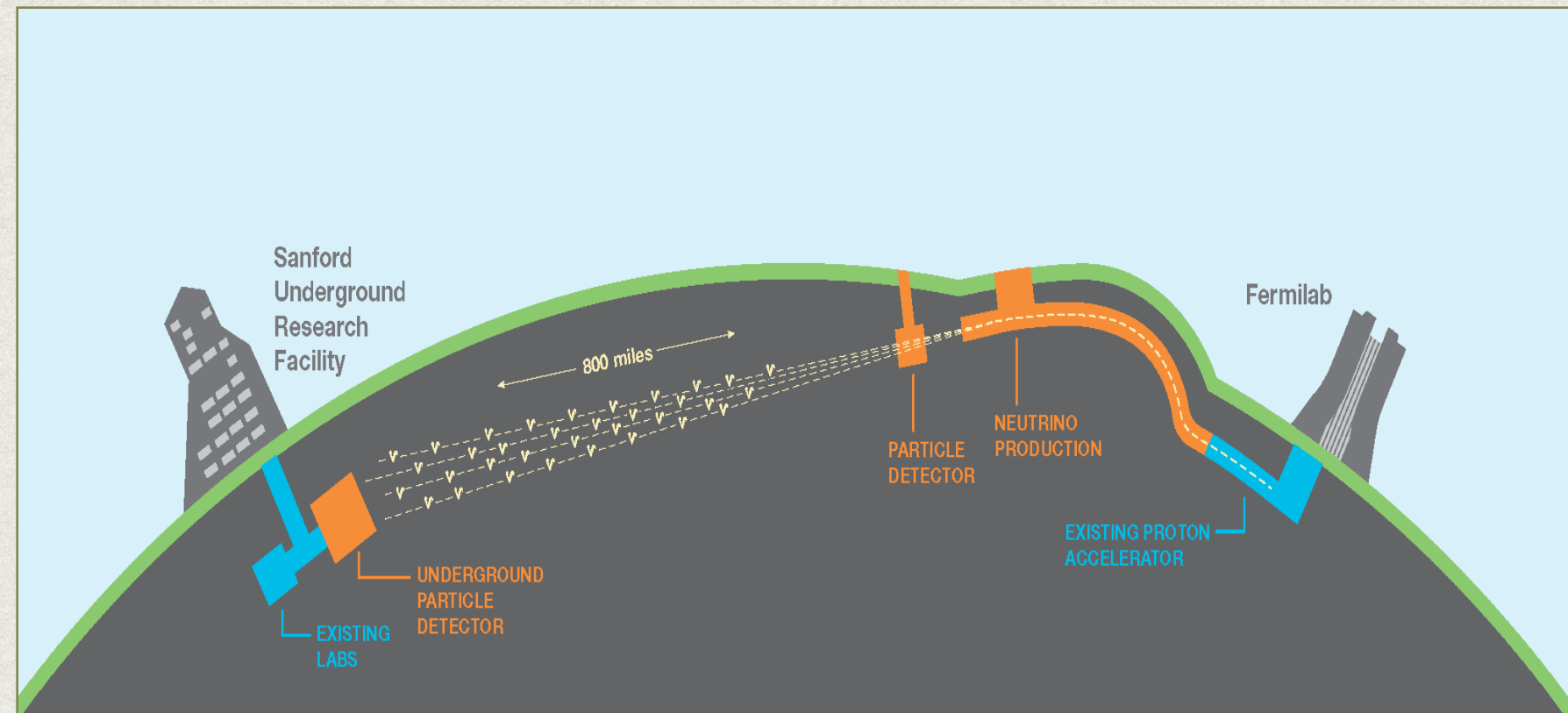


Solar & reactor tension ← new physics?

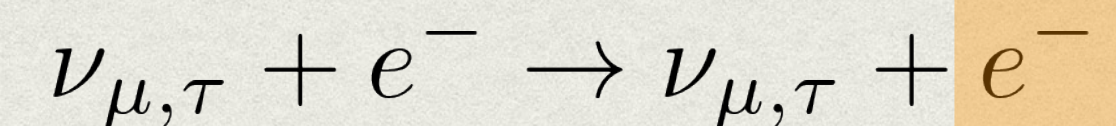
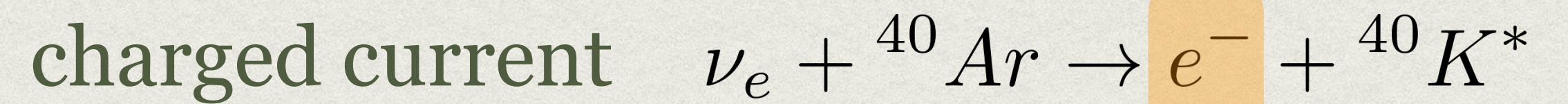


- Reactor: antineutrino, vacuum oscillation
- Solar: neutrino, matter-enhanced mixing

Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment

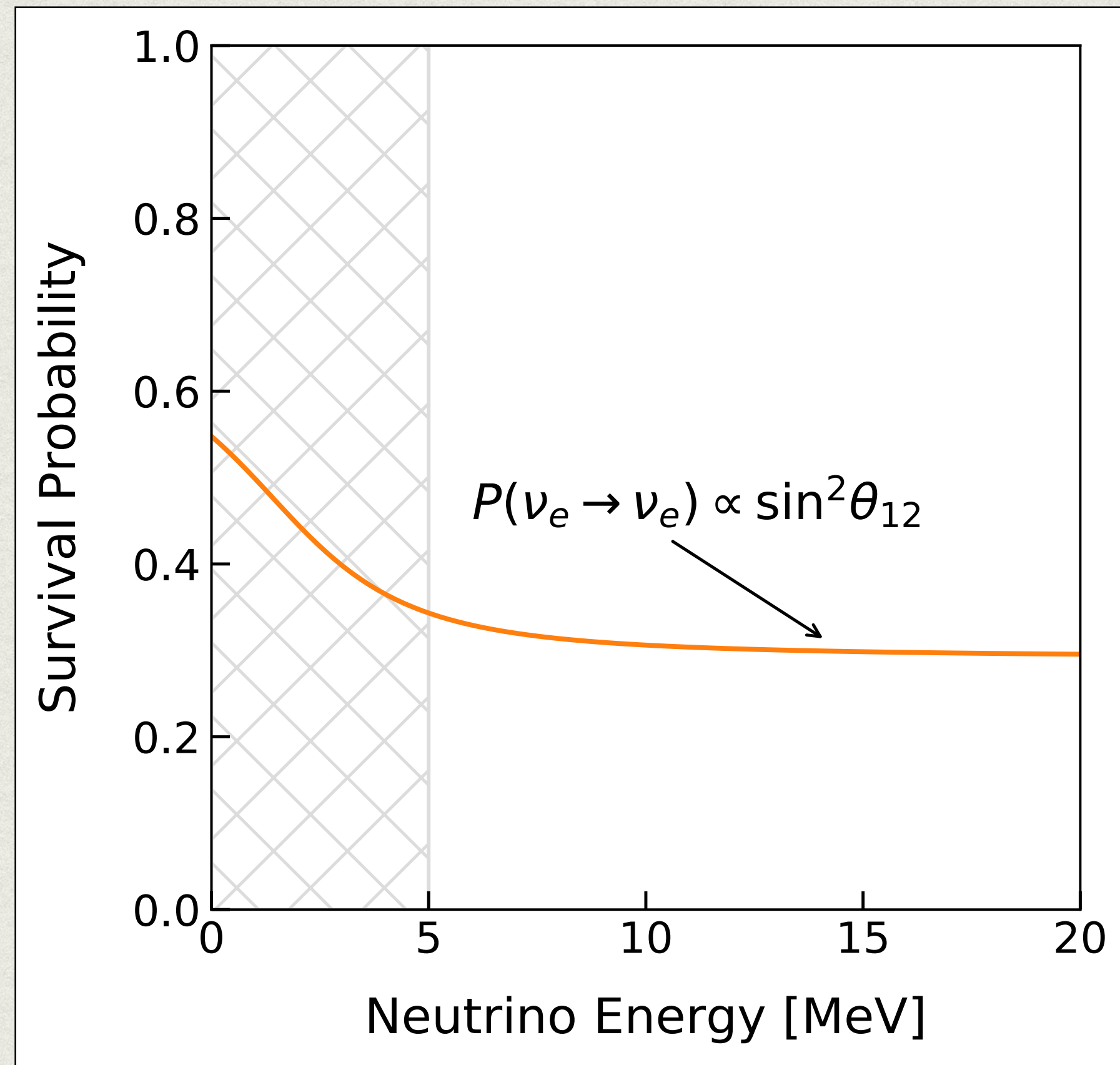


- 4 10-kton liquid argon TPC modules
- 2 modules deployed by 2024
- Detection channels:

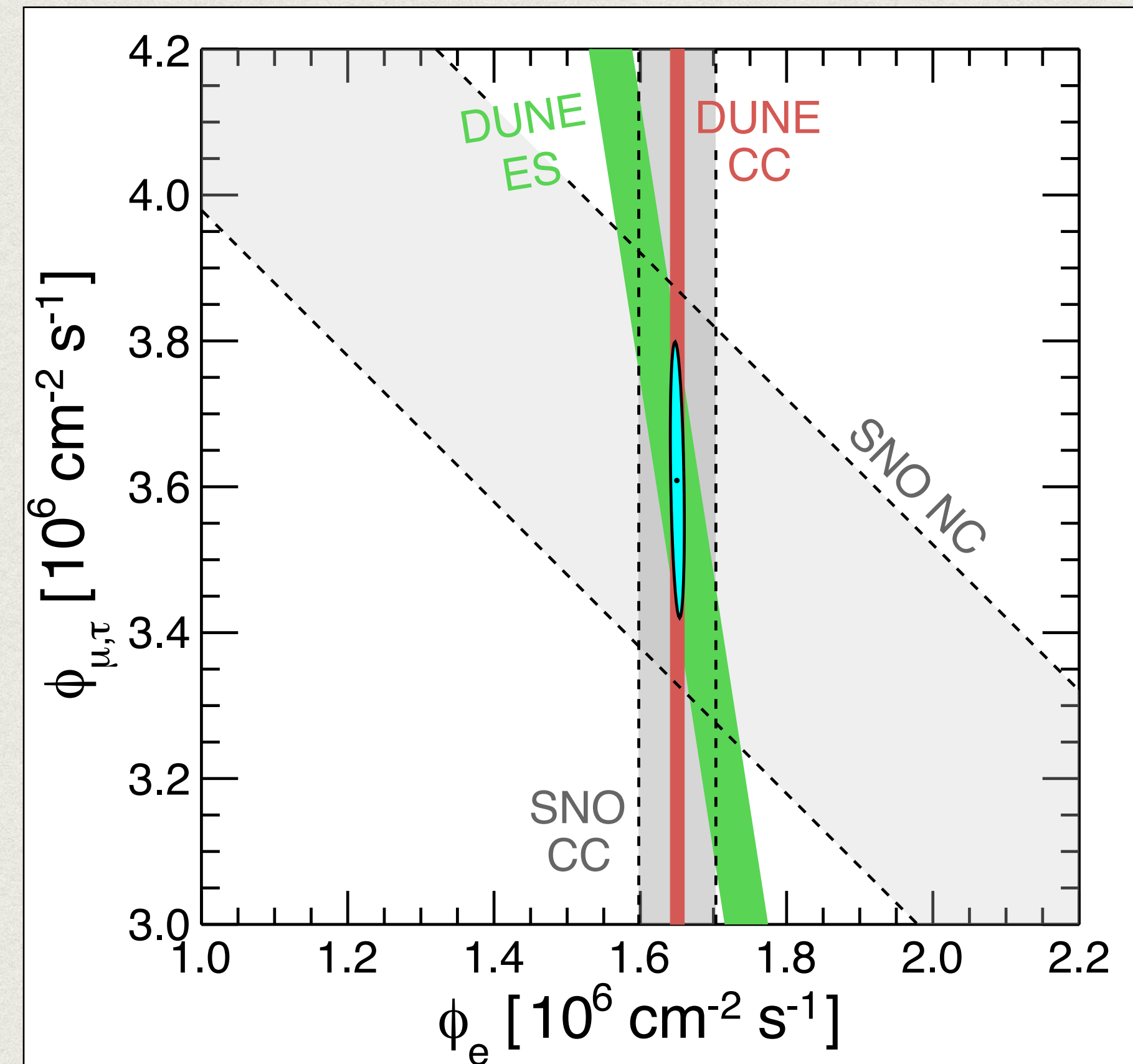


Power of DUNE for solar physics, Part I

$$Rate \sim \Phi_\nu \times P \times \sigma$$

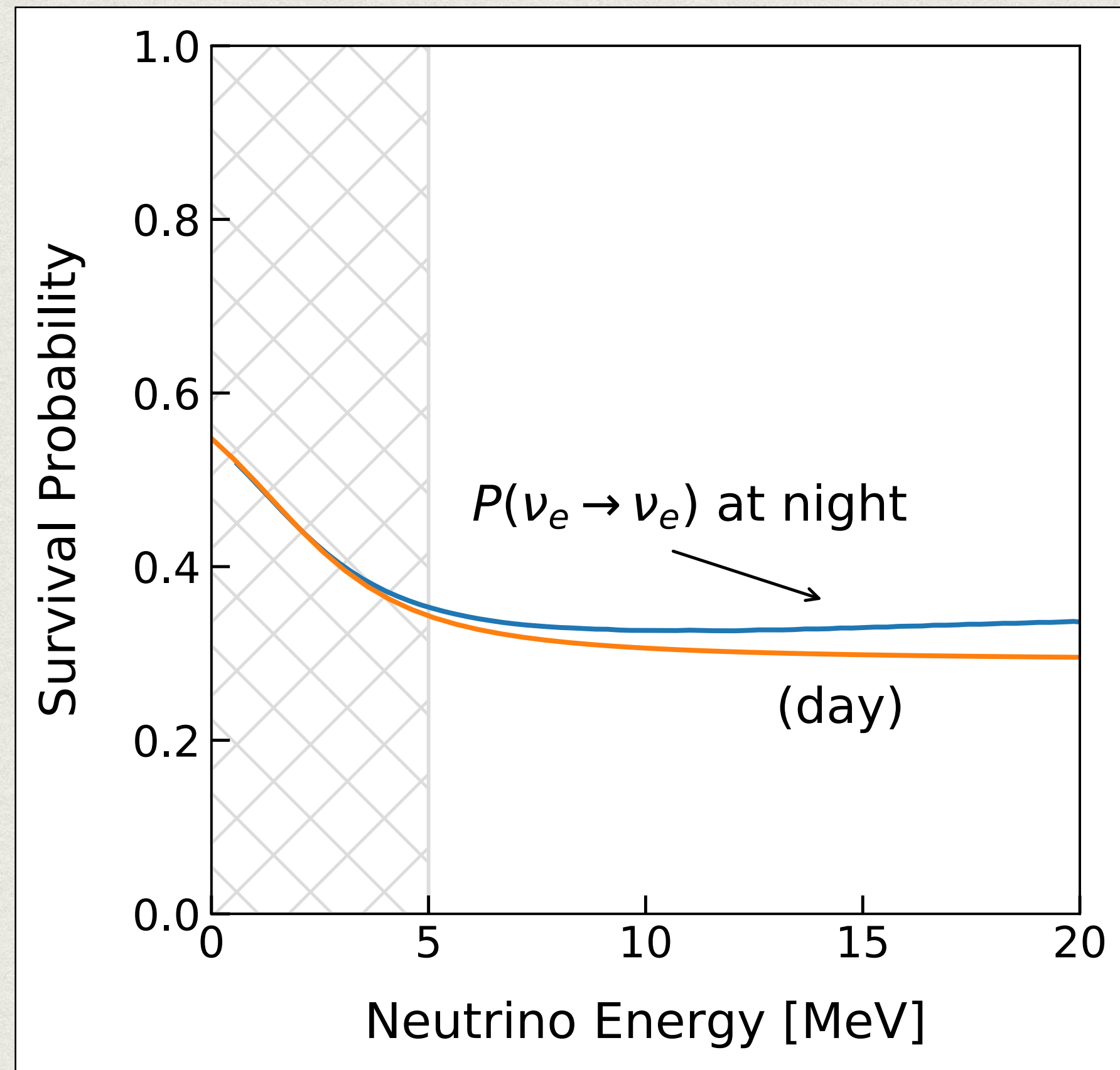


Isolate \sin^2 with two channels



Power of DUNE for solar physics, Part II

$$\Delta P(\Delta m_{21}^2) \propto E_\nu$$



Isolate Δm^2 with day-night

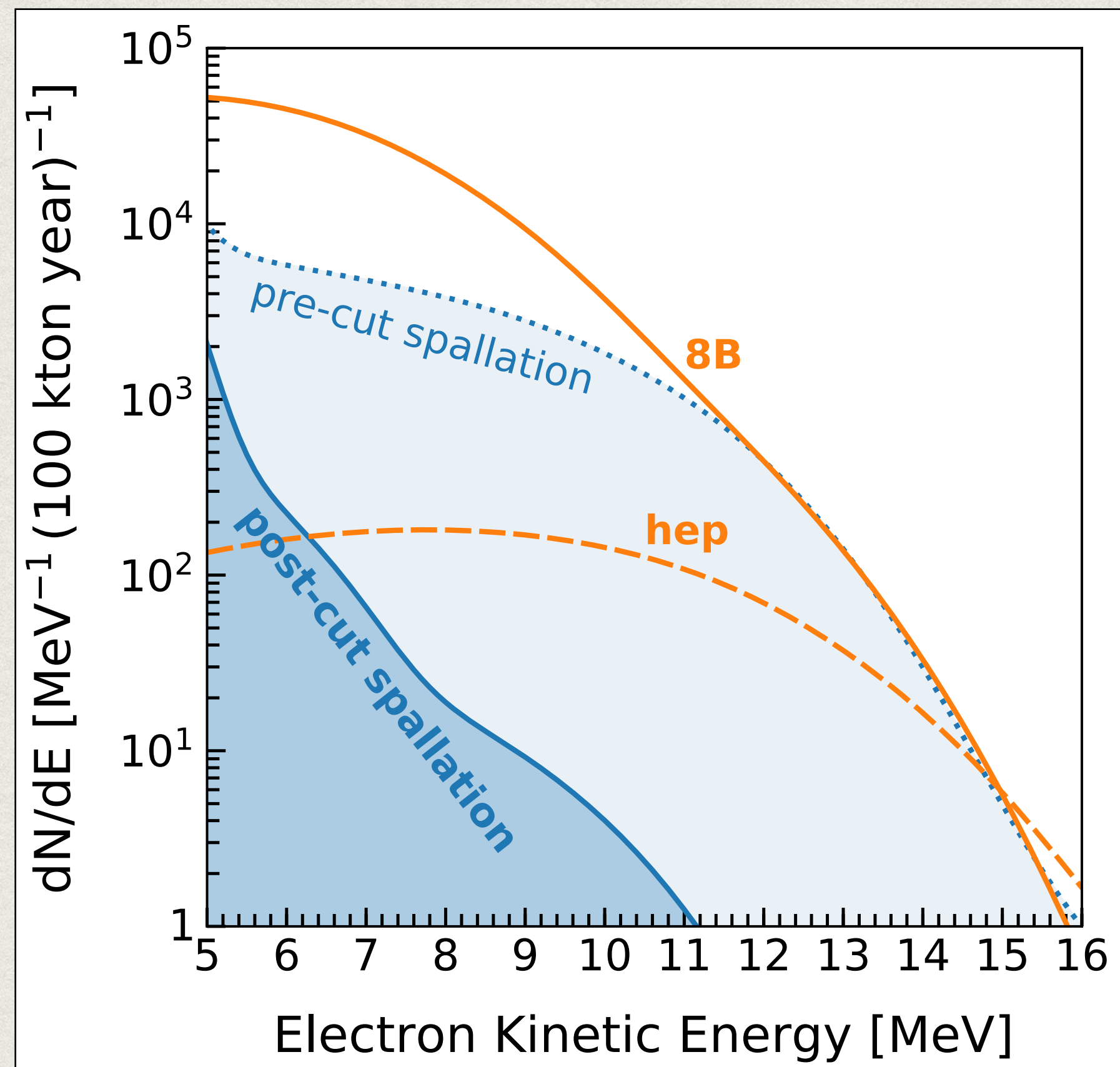
- Earth matter effect: $P_{\text{night}} > P_{\text{day}}$
- DUNE probes this difference efficiently

Because: $\nu_e + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow e^- + {}^{40}\text{K}^*$

- Highlight higher E_ν
- $T_e = E_\nu - Q - \Delta E$
- Huge statistics

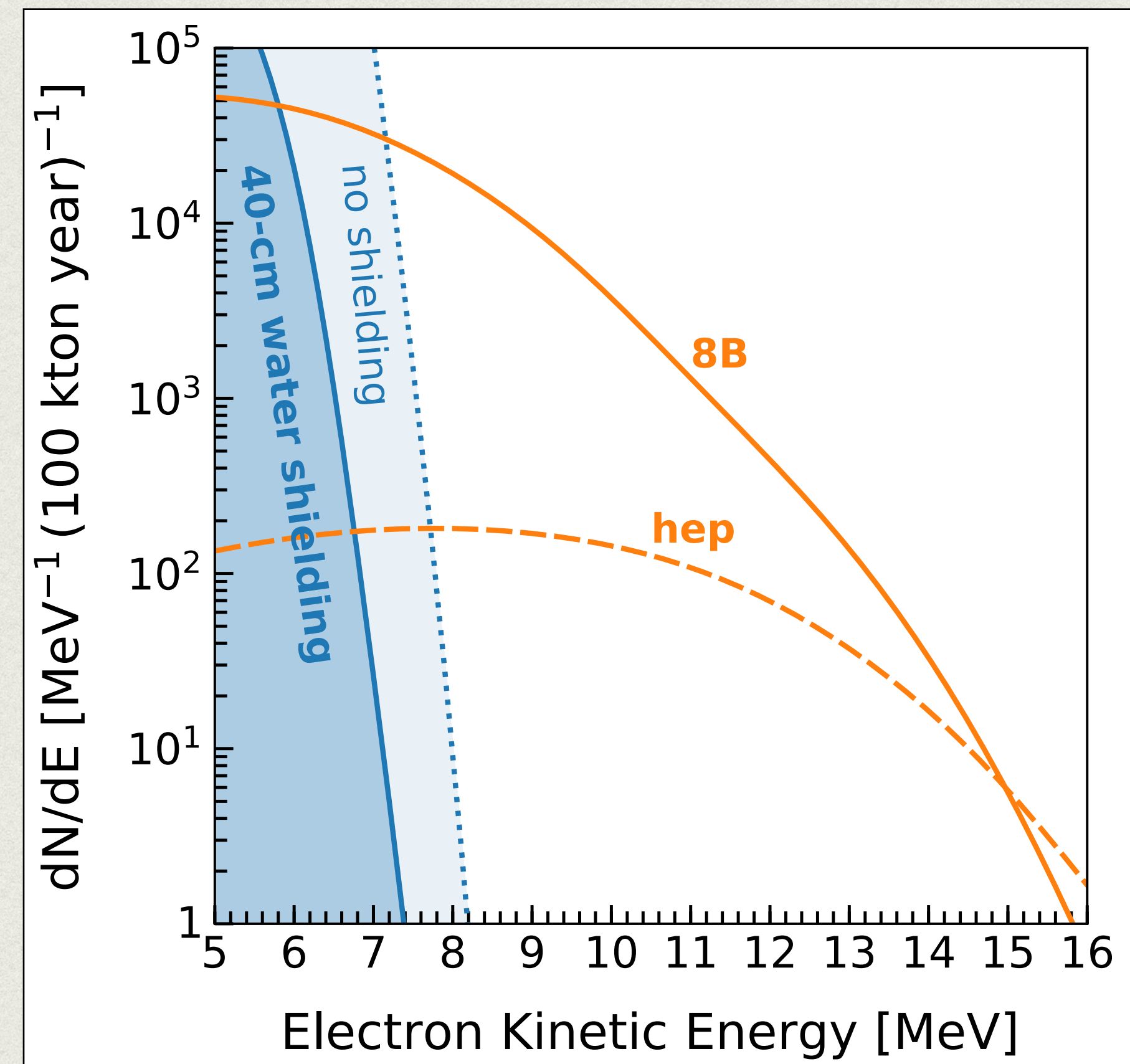
Solar neutrinos vs. backgrounds

Backgrounds: cosmic-ray muons



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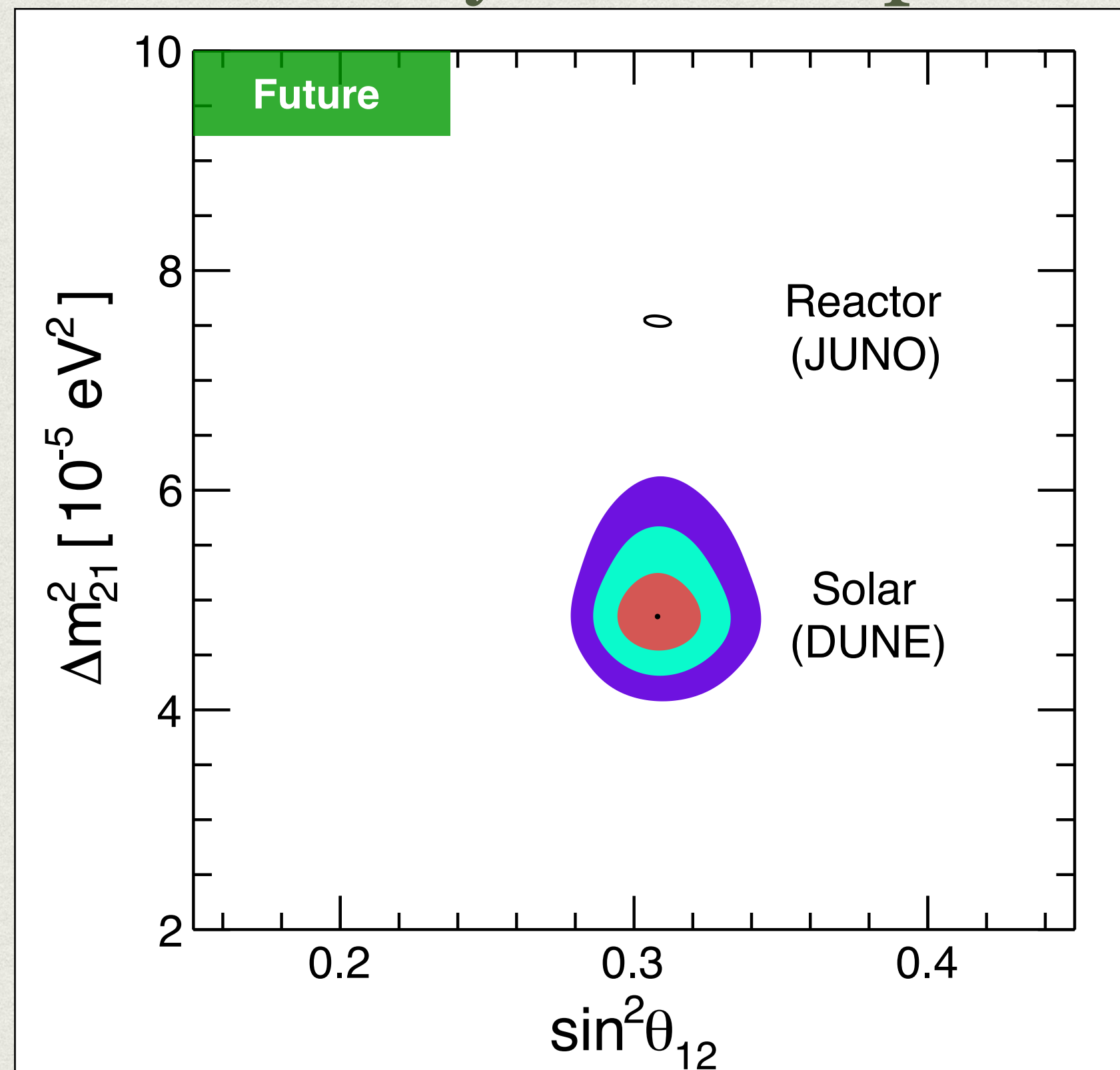
Backgrounds: radioactivity neutrons



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Conclusions — DUNE is required

DUNE 100-yr-kton exposure



In addition, 8B flux 2.5%, hep 11%

Solar neutrinos

- **Successful past; and exciting future**
- **DUNE would make crucial contributions**
- **We show such potential; significant but realistic new efforts would be required**