

Al Mueller - BNL RHIC

Neutrinos: The Era of  
Long Baselines  
Large Detectors  
Intense Beams

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Pleasure to be back at Columbia

Occasion of Al's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Long, special relationship between BNL & Columbia

Phd MIT 1965 (BS. Iowa State '61)

BNL 1965 – 1971 Postdoc – Ass't Physicist

Exciting years in both

Weak Interactions,  $\nu$ 's,  $V-A$

Strong Interactions –  $SU(3)$

Al is part of the distinguished alumni group

Gary Feinberg

Mel Schwartz '59 – '58

G.C. Wick '57 – '64

## Member of many advisory committees at BNL

### High Energy & Nuclear Physics

(1) Program Advisory Committee 1988 – 1992

L. Truman Chair 1988 – 1991

M. Schwartz Chair 1991 – 1994

BSA – Science and Technology Board 1998 – 2006

RBRC Scientific Review Committee to Present

### Unique Time:

RHIC – Construction 1990 – 1999

Call for Proposals ~ 1990

Under Mel – 11 Proposals Rejected 1991 – 1992

Subsequently 4 Approved

STAR, PHENIX, BRAHMS, PHOBOS



Large



Small





## A few words concerning RHIC

The preamble to the RHIC Conceptual Design Report of 1989 is especially Prophetic: I quote,

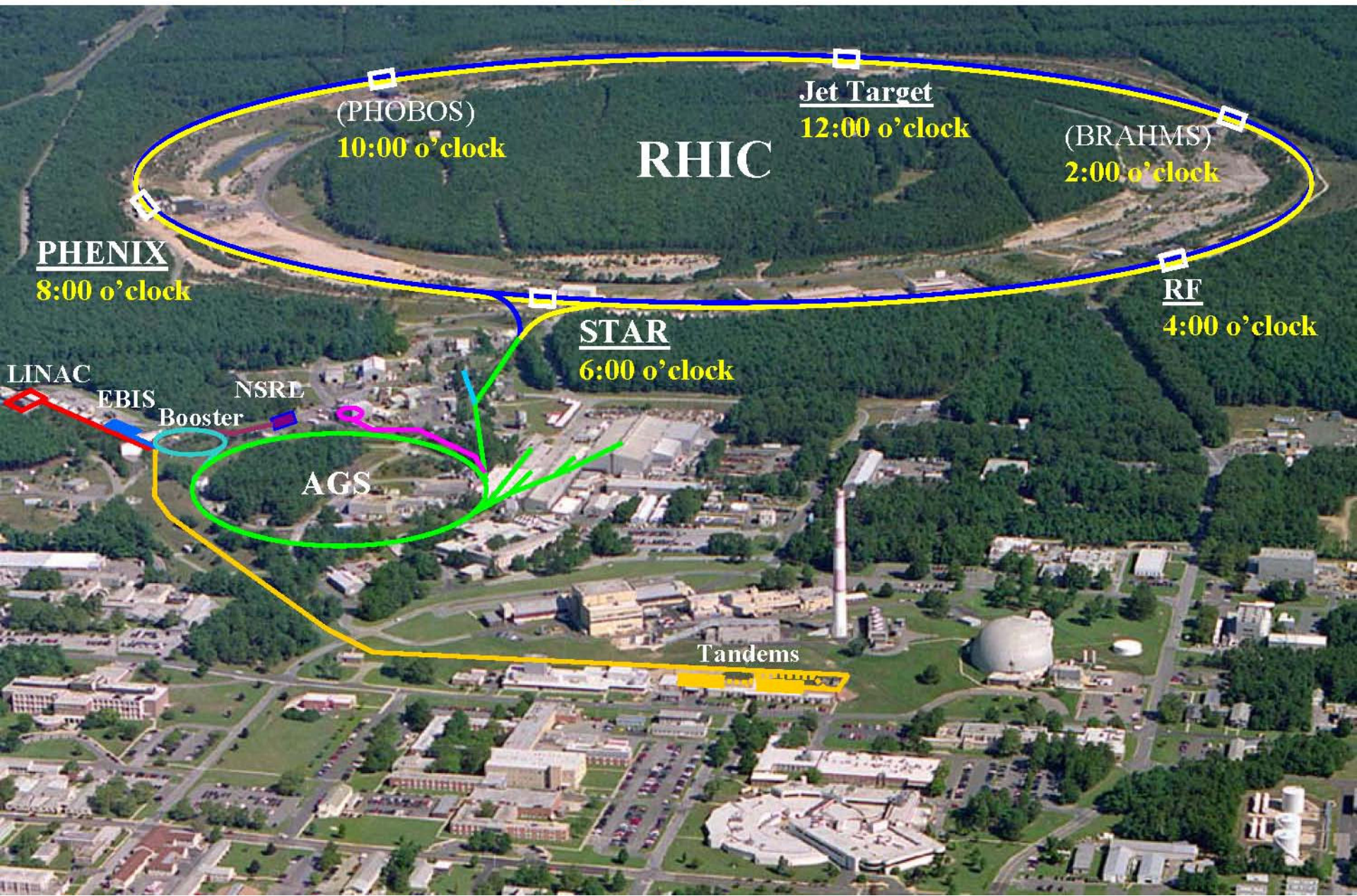
“The essential motivation for colliding nuclei at ultrarelativistic energies is the production of matter at extreme conditions of temperature and density: extended volumes of hadronic matter with energy densities greater than 10 times that of the nuclear ground state should be realizable. There is little direct knowledge about what to expect under such conditions. They have not been detected anywhere in the natural universe, and are just beginning to be approached through experiments with ion beams in experiments at Brookhaven and CERN. Thus the proposed facility represents a venture into an almost completely unknown regime for the study of basic properties of matter.

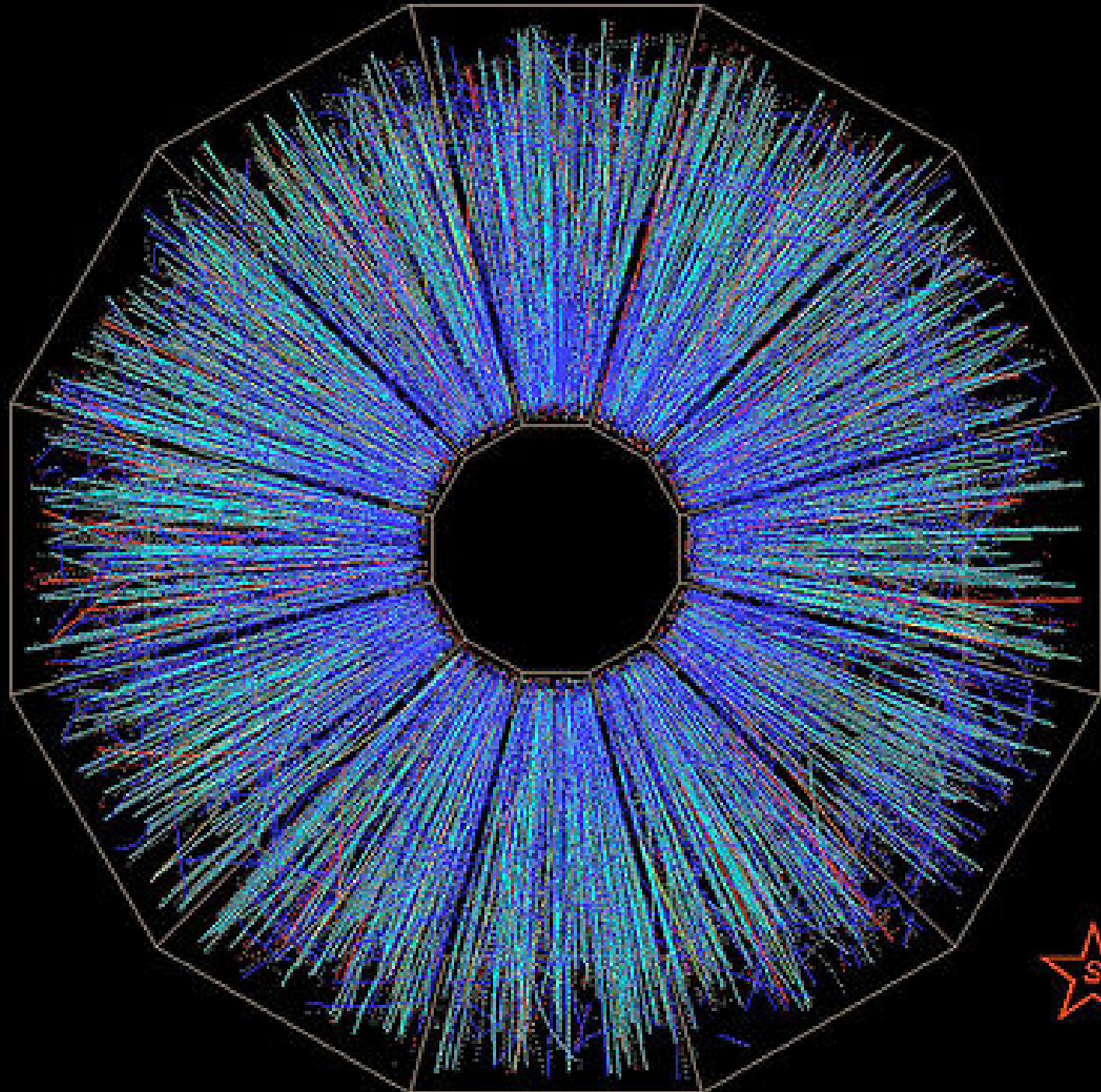
While this leap into the unknown is by itself compelling attraction for both experimenters and theorists, it is also true that very specific goals for discovery and exploration can be defined within the present understanding of Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) – as developed from high energy collisions of elementary particles – and the low energy behavior of bulk nuclear matter. The parameters of the proposed machine complex will allow the experimenter to make contact with both regimes in the systematic study of new phenomenon”

RHIC has indeed created a new state of hot dense matter however behaving more like a liquid than a gas, the sQGP.

**I would say that this dream envisioned for RHIC has been fulfilled**

# RHIC – a High Luminosity (Polarized) Hadron Collider Entering Its Scientific Prime







# Neutrino History

- 1930 Existence – Postulated by Pauli
- 1956 Discovered
- 1962 Two Neutrinos
- 1970-91 Solar deficiency
- 1991 Three Neutrinos
- 2000's Neutrino Oscillations and Mass
  - Kamiokande
  - Super Kamiokande
  - Sudbury
  - Kamland
  - KEK
  - Minos and Others

# Neutrino Parameters

## Mass Differences

$$\Delta m_{32}^2 = m_3^2 - m_2^2 = \pm 2.3(2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 = +7.6(2) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

## Mixing Angles

$$\theta_{23} \sim 45^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$$

$$\theta_{12} \sim 34^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{12} = 0.87$$

$$\theta_{13} < 11^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.15$$

To be determined

Value of  $\theta_{13}$

Mass hierarchy – sign of

CP violation

$$\Delta m_{32}^2$$

Precision Measurement of

$$\Delta m_{32}^2 \quad \Delta_{21}^2 \quad \theta_{23} \quad \theta_{12}$$

Why?

Comparison with Quark mixing parameters

Matter-Antimatter asymmetry

Leptogenesis – Baryogenesis

Other Benefits

Proton Decay

Supernovae

Oscillations: 3 Flavors

Quark Sector CKM

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} .97 & .23 & (2 - 3i)10^{-3} \\ -.23 & .97 & .04 \\ (7 - 3i)10^{-3} & -.04 & .99 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J = 3.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\delta = 57^\circ$$

Lepton Sector

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} .81 & .51 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ -.4 - .6 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .6 - .4 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .7 \\ .4 - .6 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -.6 - .4 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s_{13} \equiv \sin \theta_{13} \leq 0.2$$

$$J = .11 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$$

How?

Large Detectors

Water Cherenkov  $\geq 300$  Ktons.  
(50 Kton)

Liquid Argon  $\geq 50$  Ktons  
(.6 kton)

Intense Proton Beam

$I \geq 1$  Mwatt (.3 Mwatt)

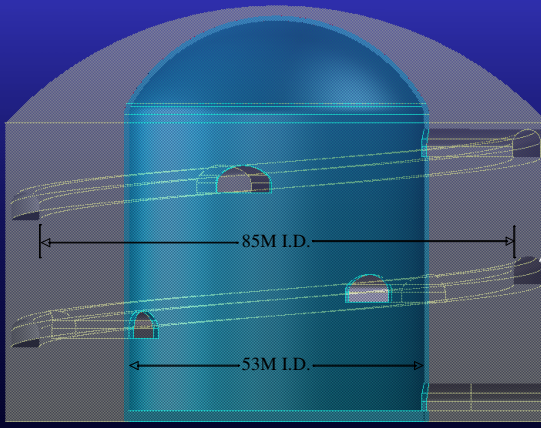
Long Baseline

$L \geq 1,000$  km (750 km)

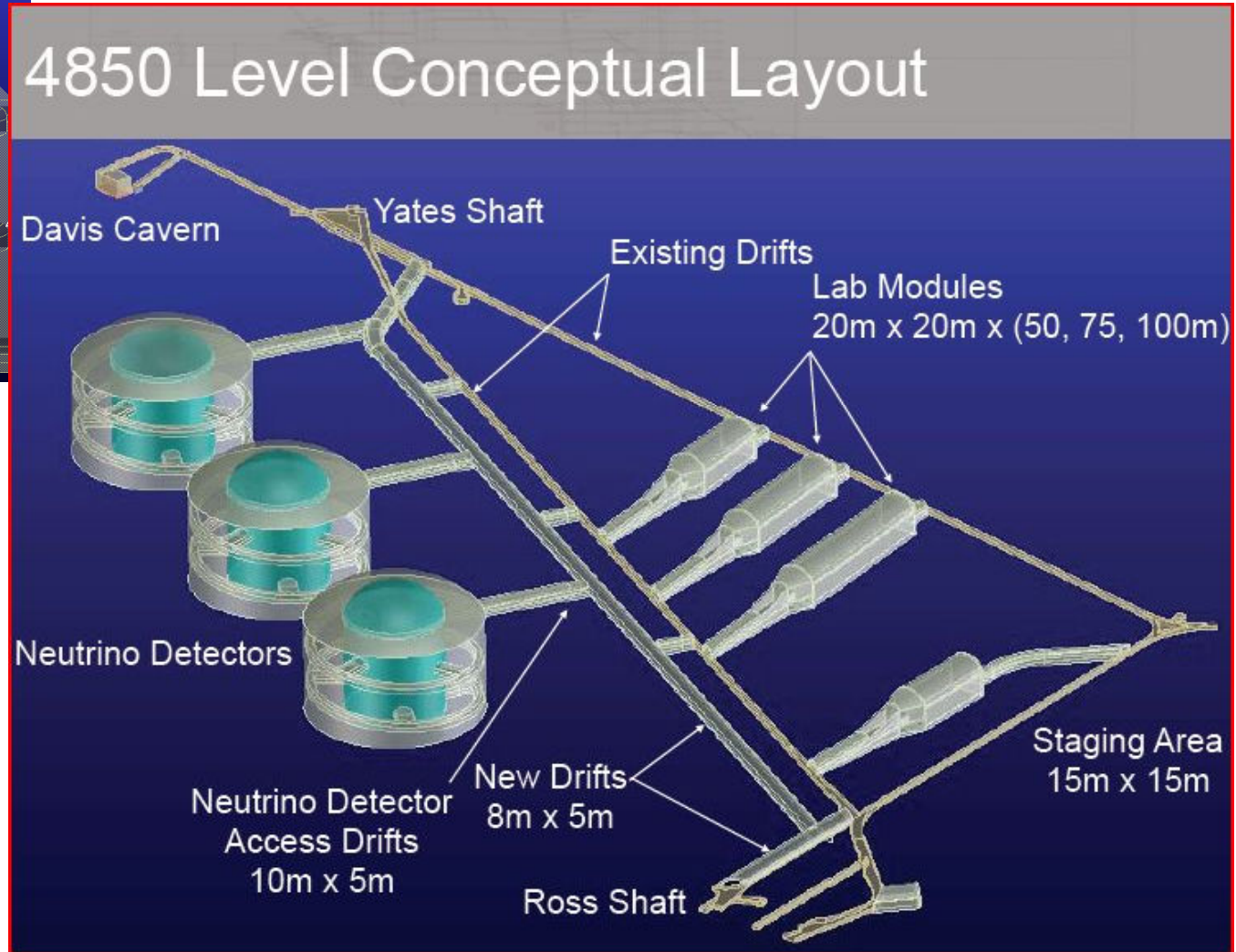
Wide Band Neutrino Beam .5 – 5 GeV

Appearance exp't  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ ; Disappearance exp't  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$   
 $f(\Delta m^2, \theta's, L/E, \text{earth matter})$

# Water Cherenkov Detector



**1 module fid:  
100 kT**



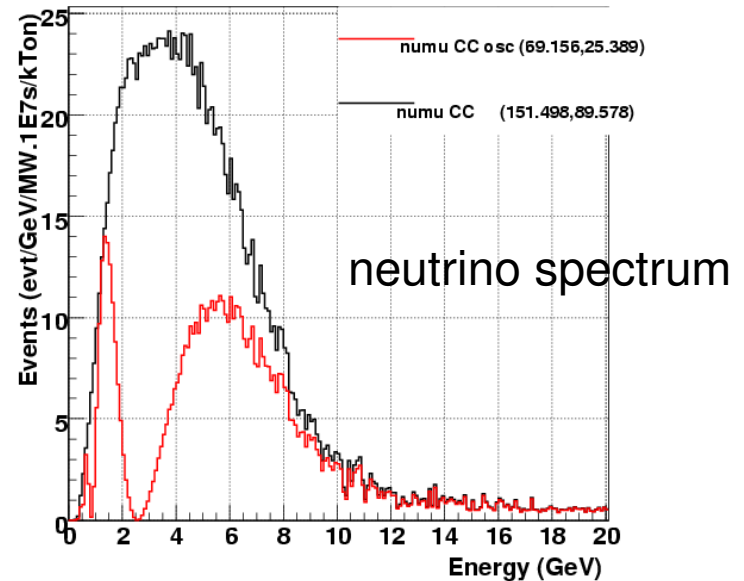
**300 kT**

# Event rate

**Evt rate: 1 MW for 3 yrs** ★

Event type	300kT, 120 GeV 0.5 deg.	300kT, 60 GeV 0 deg.
Numu CC no osc	161820	272693
Numu CC with osc	68220	124479

wble060 disappearance 1300km / 0km



**High precision  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{31}$**

- **Important (esp.  $\theta_{23} \sim 45$  deg.) with possibility of new physics.**
- **Either 120 GeV or 60 GeV beam can be used: two oscillation nodes.**
- **Measurement dominated by systematics (see hep/0407047) ( $\sim 1\%$ )**

★ **yr  $\sim 2 \times 10^7$  sec**

# Electron neutrino appearance spectra

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04$ , 100kT LAr., WBLE 120 GeV, 1300km, 30E20 POT.

$(-\delta_{CP} = -45^\circ, -\delta_{CP} = +45^\circ)$

Normal

Reversed

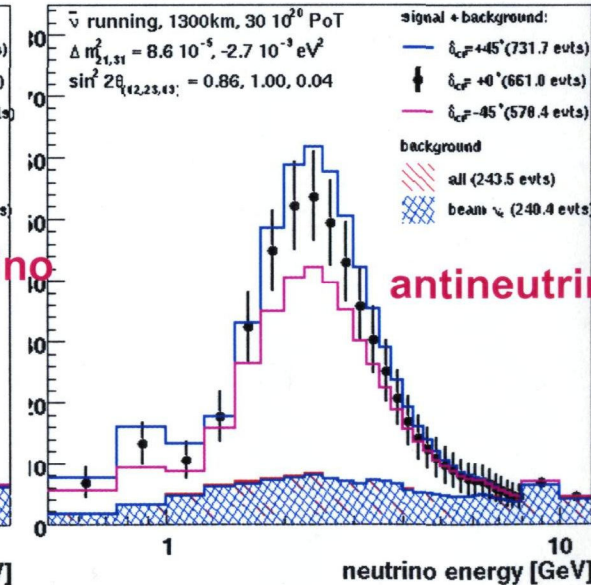
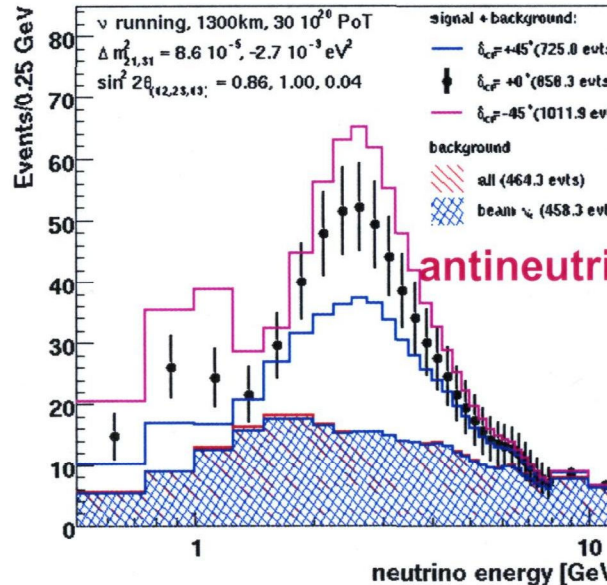
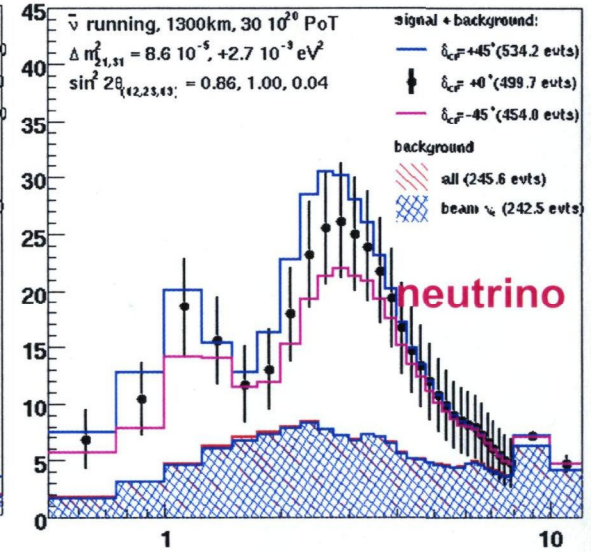
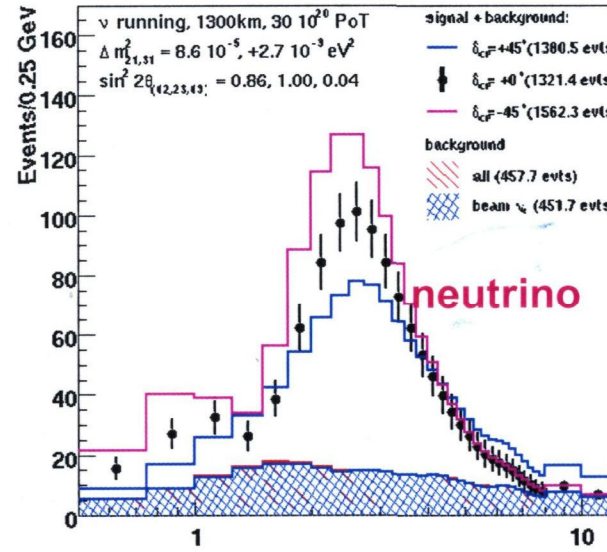
- LAR assumptions

- 80% efficiency on electron neutrino CC events.

- $\text{sig}(E)/E = 5\%/\sqrt{E}$  on quasielastics

- $\text{sig}(E)/E = 20\%/\sqrt{E}$  on other CC events

Spectra and sensitivity is the work of M. Bishai, Mark Dierckxsens, Patrick Huber + many helpers



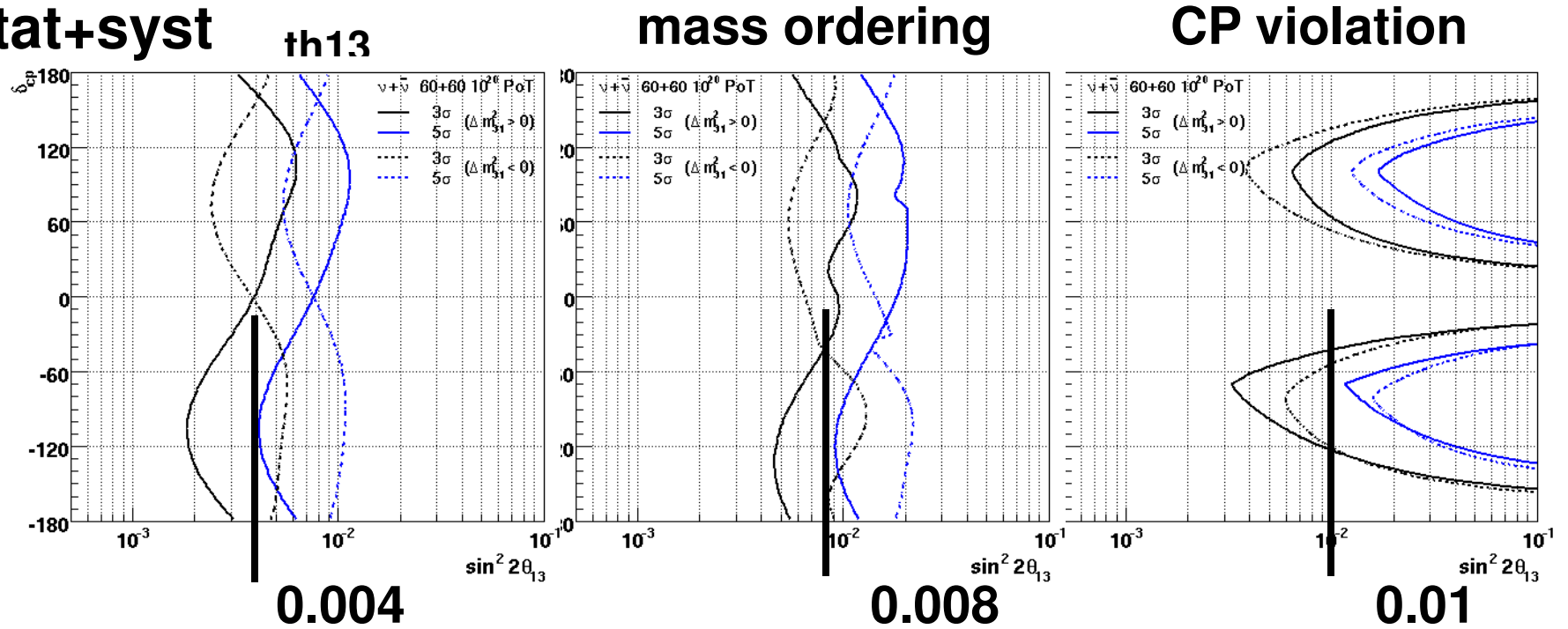


# WBLE to DUSEL(1300km) 3sig, 5sig discovery regions.

300 kT WCh

60  $10^{20}$  POT for each nu and anu

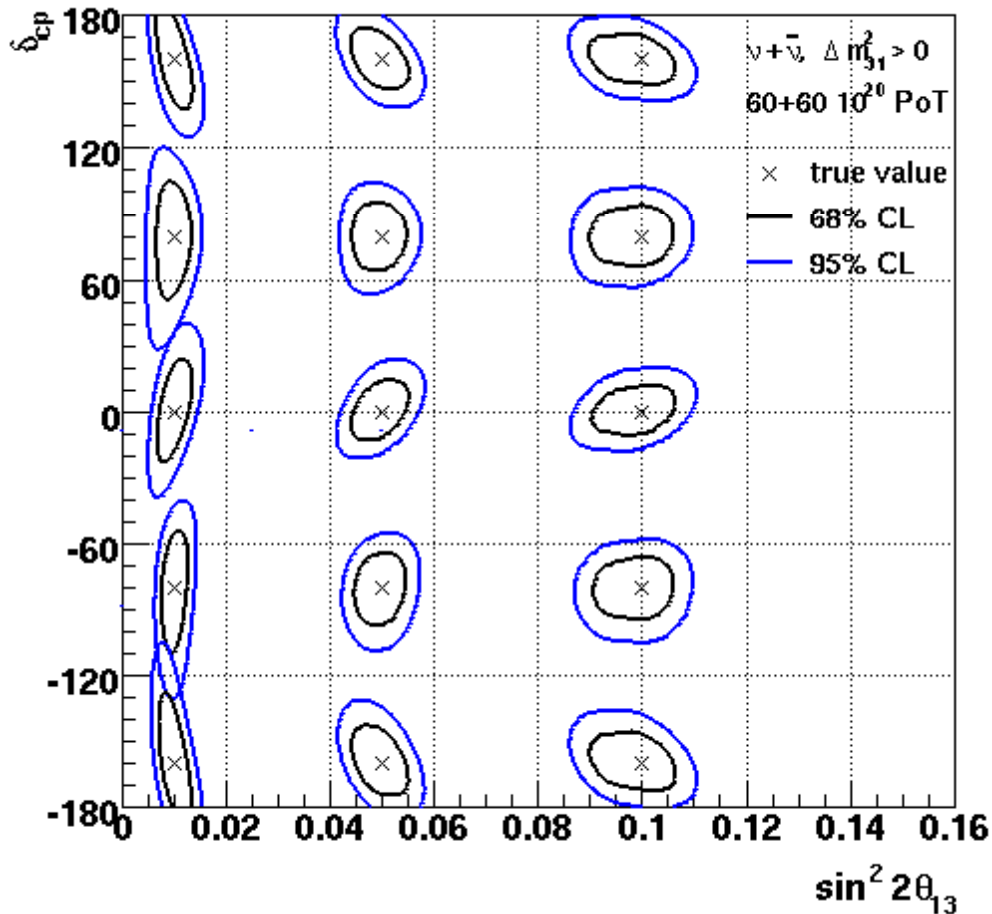
Stat+syst



**CP Fraction:** Fraction of the CP phase (0-2pi) covered at a particular confidence level.

**Report the value of th13 at the 50% CP fraction.**

- Program should lead to measurement of 3-generation parameters without ambiguities.
- CP measurement is approximately independent of  $\theta_{13}$  if not background limited. Need large detector independent of  $\theta_{13}$  value.



**300 kT water Cherenkov  
 detector @DUSEL**  
**Measurement of CP phase  
 and  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$  at several  
 points. All ambiguities and  
 mass hierarchy are resolved.**

# Proton Decay

## Early Experiments

IMB, Kolar Gold Mine, Homestake, Soudan, Frejus

## Recent Experiments

Kameokande, Superkameokande

Theory:	$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$	$p \rightarrow k^+ \nu$
SU(5) Minimal	$10^{29}-10^{30}$ yrs	$10^{28}-10^{30}$ yrs
SUSY GUT		
SU(5)		
SO(10)	$2 \times 10^{35}$ yrs	$10^{34}$ yrs
Exp. Limits	$8.2 \times 10^{33}$ yrs	$>2.8 \times 10^{33}$ yrs

SuperK 141 kton yrs

Next Order of Magnitude

Again Need very large detectors

# Supernova Neutrinos

SN87A           IMB  
                  Kameokande           19 Events

Core Collapse of Supernova  
Supernova Dynamics

Fundamental Neutrino Properties, including  $\theta_{13}$  and mass hierarchy

Galactic Supernovae

~ 1 in 30 years ( $\bar{\nu} + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ )

~ 100,000 events in 10 kpc

Diffuse (Relic) Supernova

$\bar{\nu}e$  and  $\nu e$

Continuous flux

Measure Neutrino

Number

Energy 0 – 40 MeV

Time seconds

Need many Large Detectors

# Conclusions

## New Era:

<b>Large Scale detectors</b>	<b>300 Kton Water Cerenkov; 50 Kton liquid argon</b>
<b>Intense Beams</b>	<b>1 – 2 Mwatts</b>
<b>Long distances</b>	<b>1300 Km Fermilab – Homestake</b>

## First Proposed (2003)

**Very Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation  
Experiment for Precise Measurement of mixing Parameters and CP  
Violating Effects**

**M. Diwan, W. Marciano et. al. Phys. Rev. D 68, 12002 (2003)**

## Grand opportunity:

**Greatly improve accuracy of  
atmospheric and solar neutrino parameters**

**Resolve value of Theta 13, mass hierarchy and possibly  
observe CP violation**

**Observe Supernova**

**Possibly observe proton decay**

**DOE,NSF, Fermilab actually pursuing such a neutrino  
program**