

Resolving the Mass Hierarchy

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Neutrino Mixing

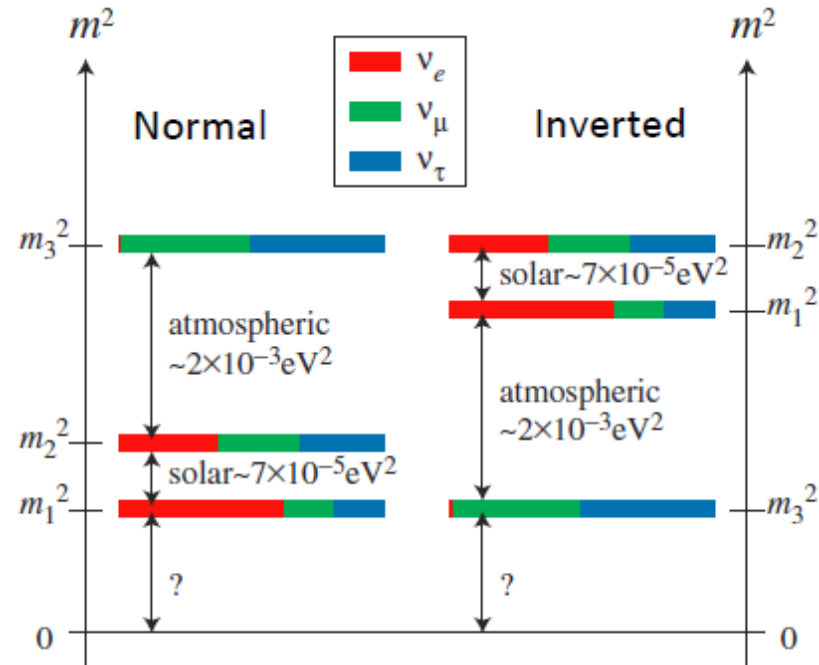
2-neutrino oscillation: Δm^2 θ

3-neutrino oscillation:

→ 6 oscillation parameters

Known: $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$ θ_{23} Δm^2_{21} θ_{12} θ_{13}

Unknown: δ_{CP} Sign of Δm^2_{32}

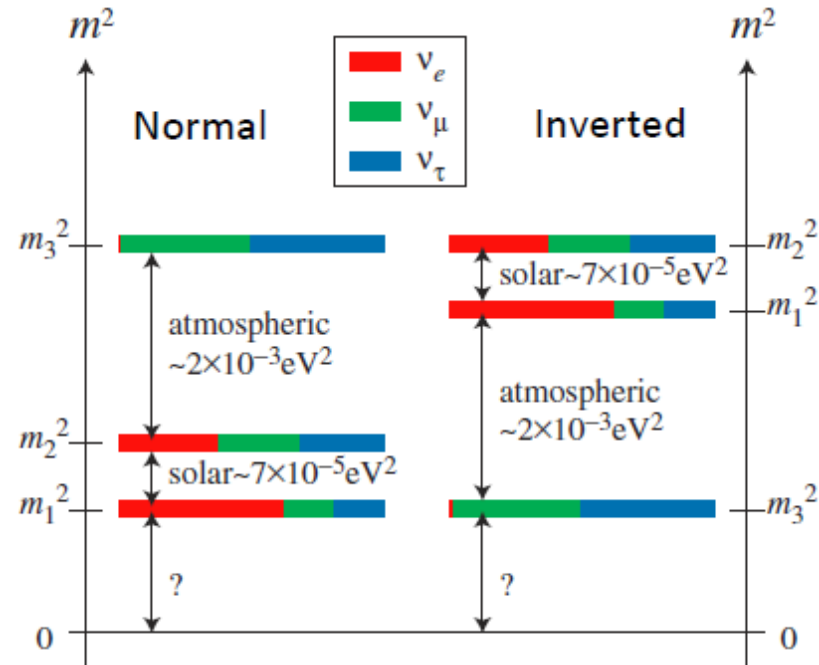
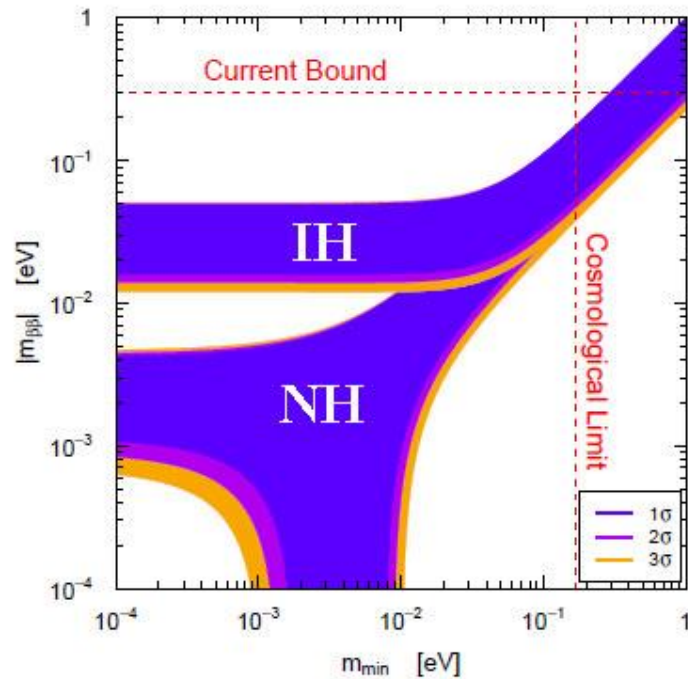


$$U = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Atmospheric } \theta_{23} \approx 45^\circ} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{"CP" sector } \theta_{13} = 9^\circ} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Solar } \theta_{12} \approx 34^\circ} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\alpha_1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Majorana}}$$

$c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}$
 $s_{ij} \equiv \sin \theta_{ij}$

$|\Delta m^2_{32}| \approx |\Delta m^2_{31}| \approx 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$ $\Delta m^2_{21} \approx 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$

Mass Hierarchy



Mass hierarchy: Which neutrino is the lightest?

- ◆ Impacts on oscillation probability, MH and CP degeneracy.
- ◆ Roadmap for $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment
- ◆ Understanding the mass origin and neutrino mixing in theory
Some GUT theories predict normal MH
- ◆ Nucleosynthesis in supernova, neutrino mass scale

MH with Reactors

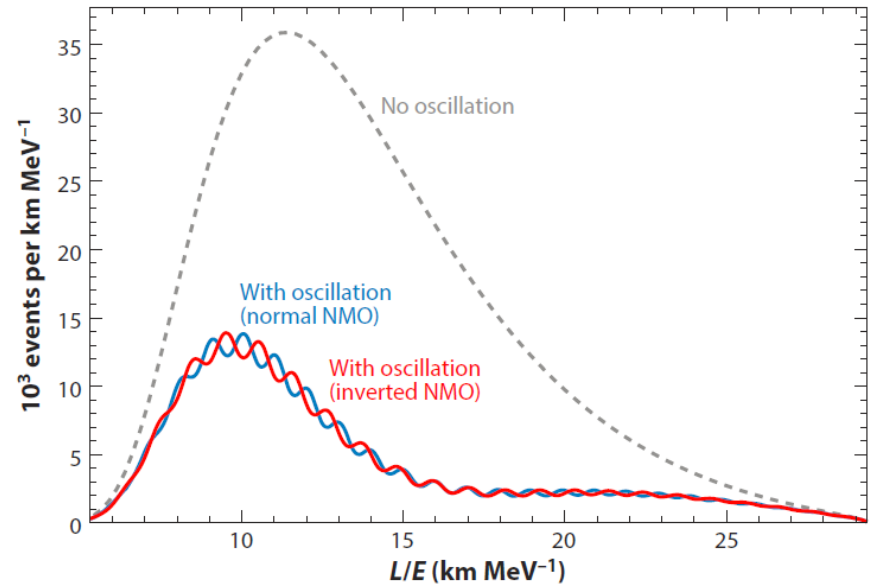
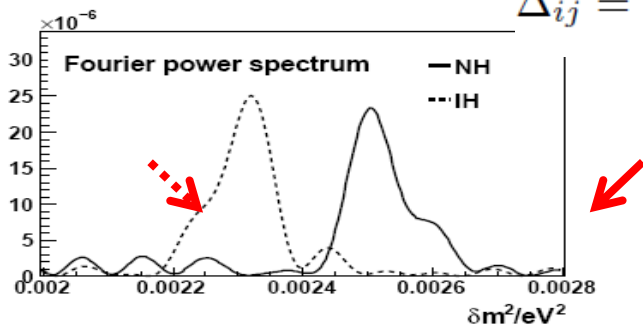
$$P_{ee}(L/E) = 1 - P_{21} - P_{31} - P_{32}$$

$$P_{21} = \cos^4(\theta_{13}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

$$P_{31} = \cos^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{31})$$

$$P_{32} = \sin^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{32})$$

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



- **Relative measurement**
- **Not rely on δ_{CP} and θ_{23}**
- **JUNO energy resolution: $3\%/\sqrt{E}$**

Petcov et al., PLB533(2002)94, J. Learned et al., PRD78, 071302 (2008), L. Zhan, Y. Wang, J. Cao, L. Wen, PRD78:111103, 2008, PRD79:073007, 2009

Δm_{31}^2 and Δm_{32}^2
Interplay (ϕ)

Δm_{ee}^2 and $\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2$
difference

Matter Effect

Reactor



Atmospheric



Accelerator

MH with Matter Effect

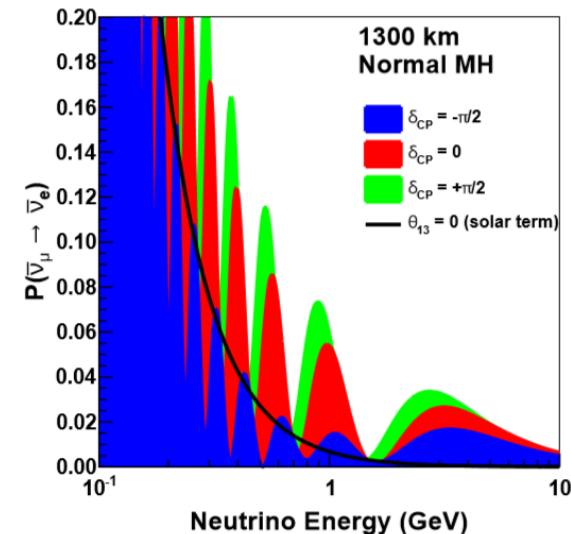
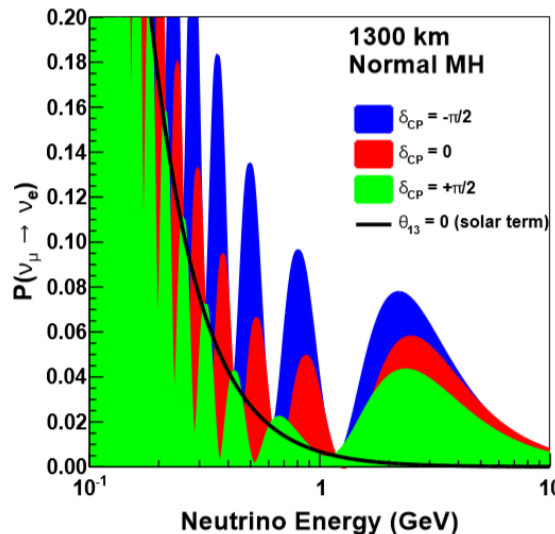
- ◆ Both ν_e appearance channel and ν_μ disappearance channel.
- ◆ Matter effect (aL) and CP asymmetry for **neutrino** and **anti-neutrino** due to electron in matter. Large effect at long distance.
- ◆ DUNE at 1300 km resolves degeneracy of MH and δ_{CP}

$$P_{vac}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = P_{atm} + P_{sol} + P_{int}$$

$$\sin \Delta_{ij} \rightarrow \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{\Delta_{ij} \pm aL} \sin(\Delta_{31} \pm aL)$$

$$P_{mat}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \left(1 \pm 2 \frac{E}{12 \text{ GeV}}\right) P_{vac}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$$

Appearance channel: Accelerator w/ ν and $\bar{\nu}$
NOvA, DUNE



MH with absolute Δm^2

NH: $|\Delta m_{31}^2| - |\Delta m_{32}^2| = +\Delta m_{21}^2$

IH: $|\Delta m_{31}^2| - |\Delta m_{32}^2| = -\Delta m_{21}^2$

$\Delta m_{21}^2 \sim 3\% |\Delta m_{31}^2|$

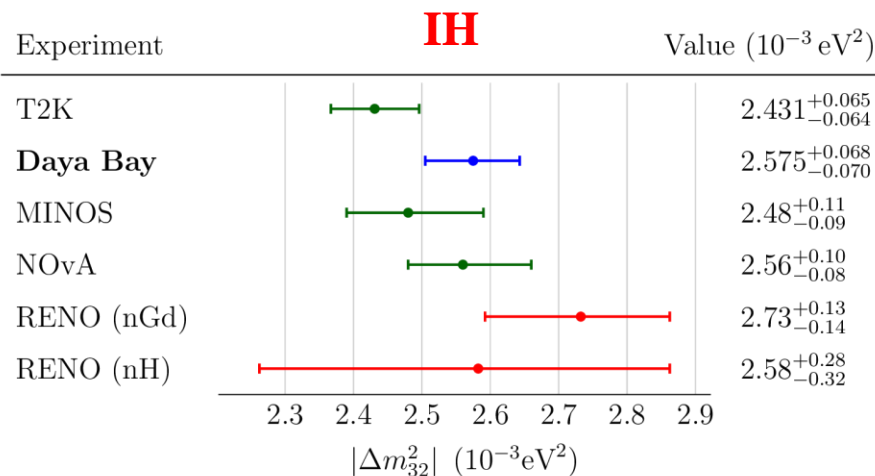
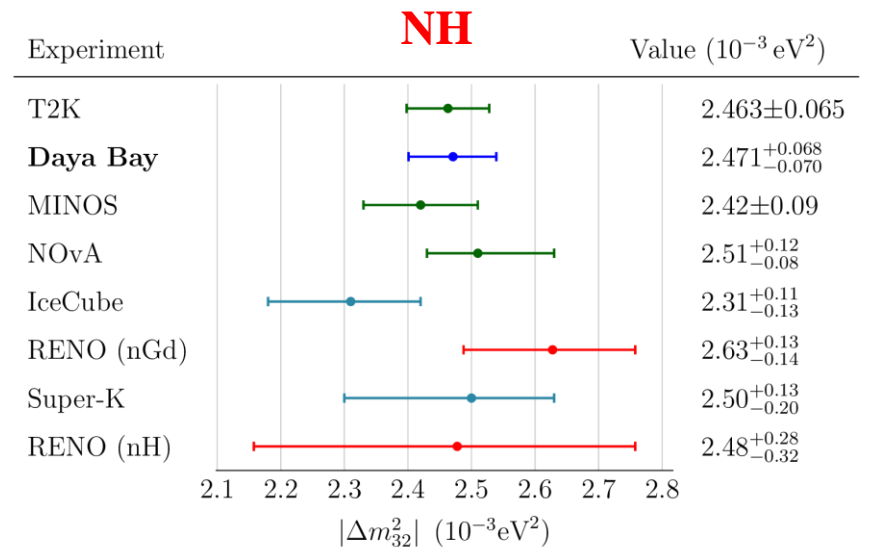
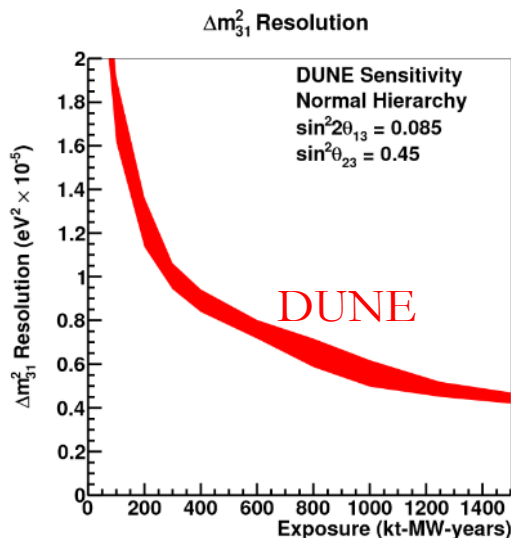
| JUNO | Statistics | +BG +1% b2b +1% EScale +1% EnonL |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ | 0.54% | 0.67% |
| Δm_{21}^2 | 0.24% | 0.59% |
| Δm_{31}^2 | 0.27% | 0.44% |

◆ T2K, NOvA

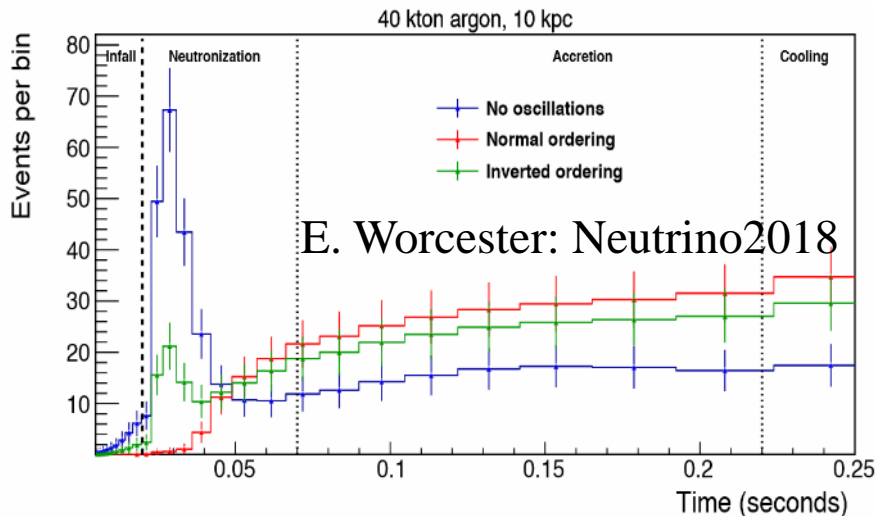
~ 1%

◆ T2HK

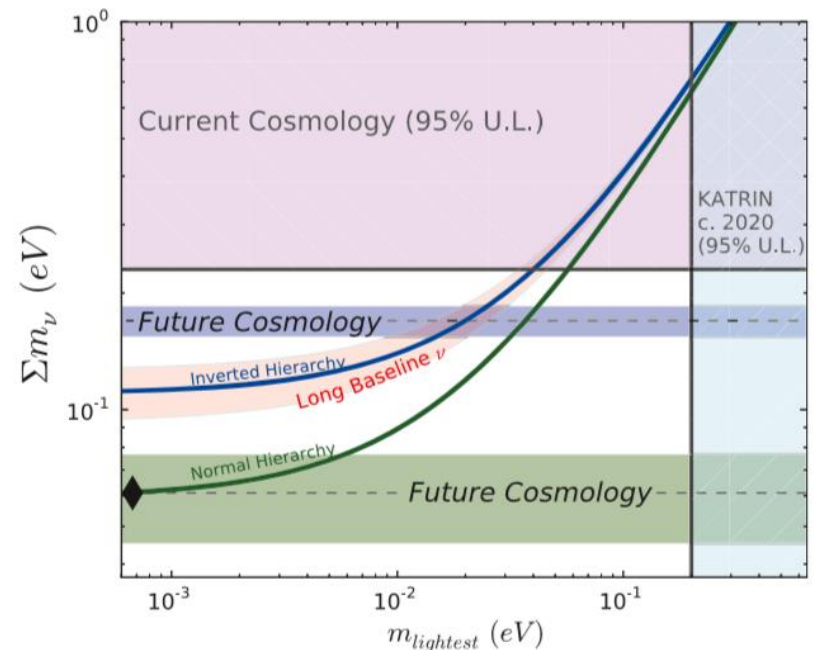
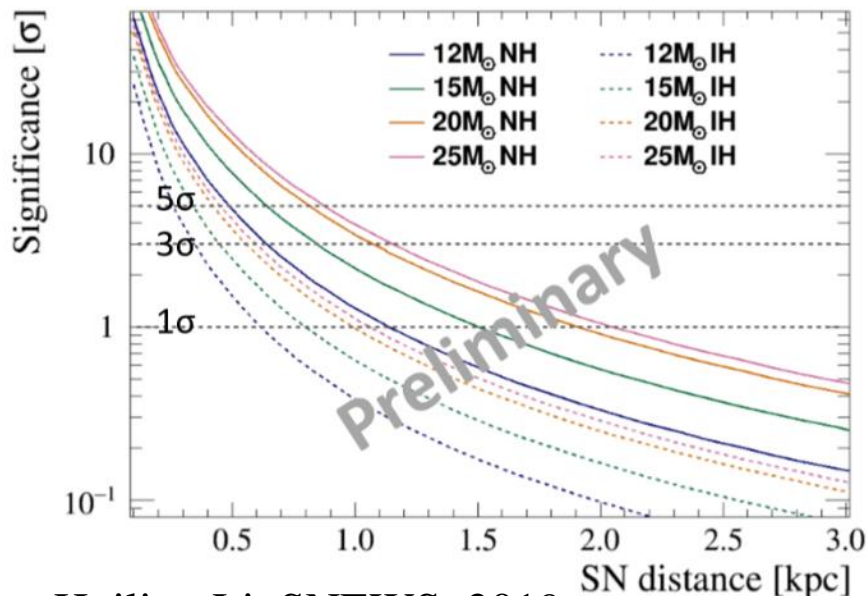
~ 0.6% (10y)



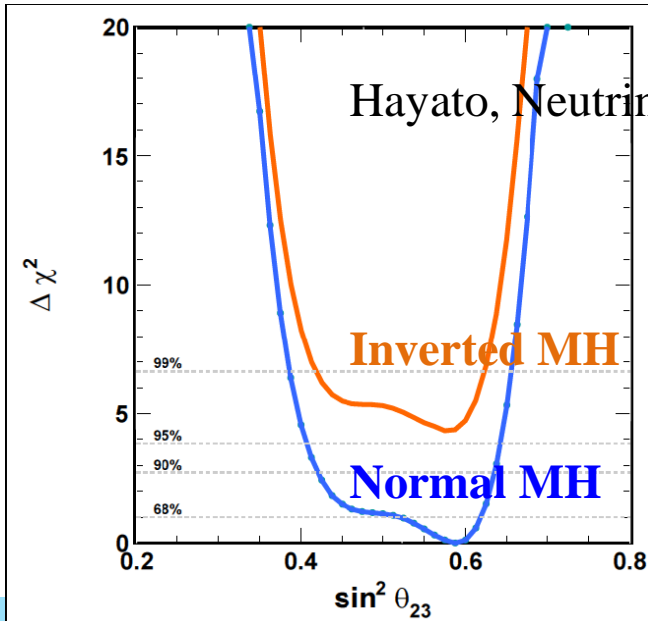
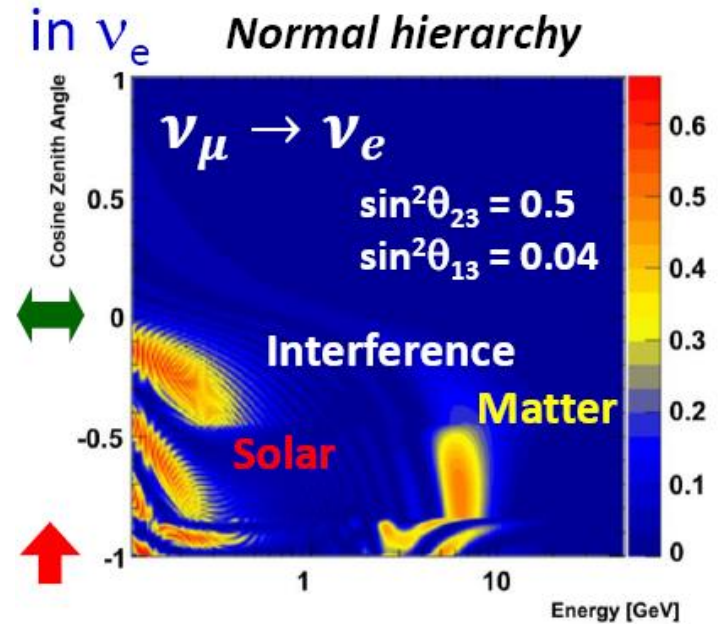
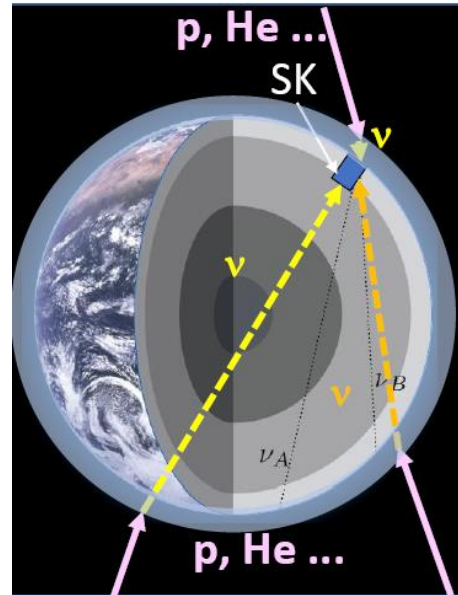
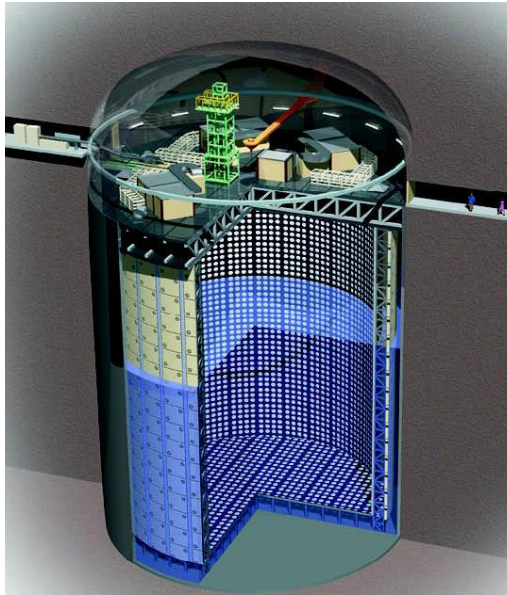
MH with Supernova/Cosmology



- ◆ Supernova burst
- ◆ Pre-Supernova
- ◆ Cosmology determine $(\Sigma m = m_1 + m_2 + m_3)$ to 0.1 eV
- ◆ $|\Delta m^2_{32}| \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
- ◆ $\Delta m^2_{21} \sim 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$



Current Experiment – Super-K



Difference in # of electron events:

$$\Delta_\theta \equiv \frac{N_e}{N_e^0} \cong \Delta_1(\theta_{13}) + \Delta_2(\Delta m_{12}^2) + \Delta_3(\theta_{13}, \Delta m_{12}^2, \delta)$$

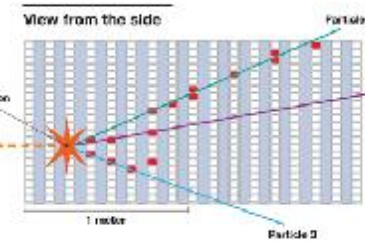
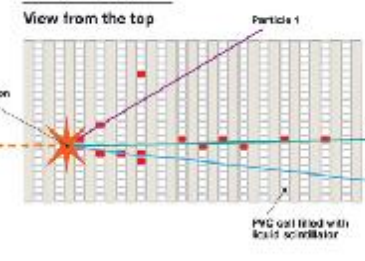
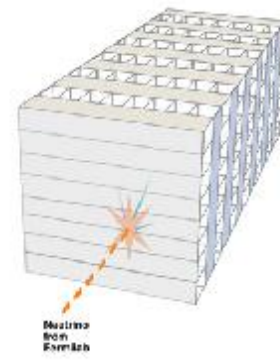
- ➡ Matter effect
- ➡ Solar term
- ➡ Interference

- ◆ 5326 days, 328 kt.yr
- ◆ $\Delta\chi^2 = 4.34$
- ◆ CLs: Inverted MH rejection 80.6-96.7%

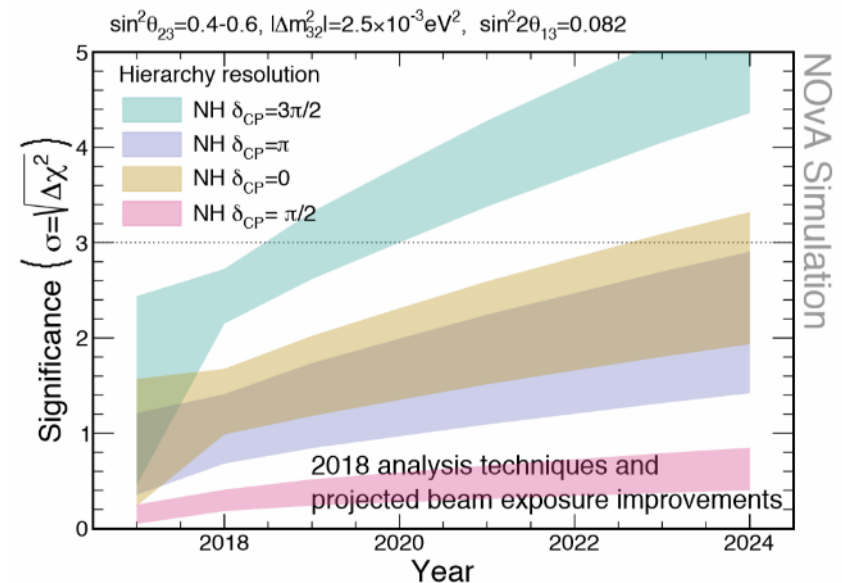
Current Experiment - NOvA



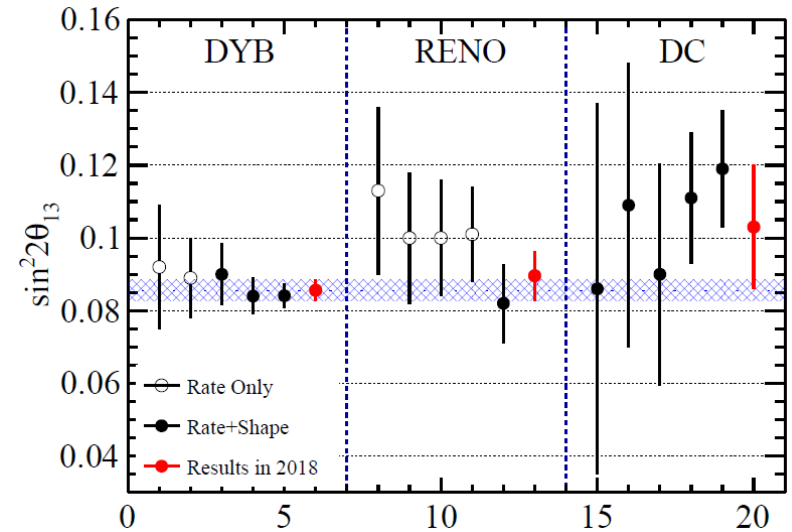
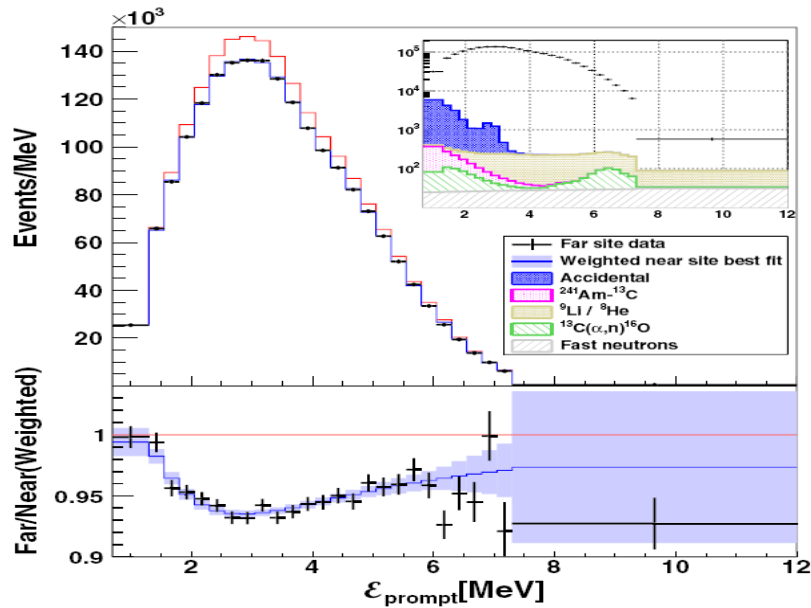
3D schematic of NOvA particle detector



- ◆ Fermilab (700kW) to Minnesota (810 km). 14 kt LS detector
- ◆ Prefer NH at 1.8σ
- ◆ Extended running through 2024, proposed accelerator improvement
 - ⇒ 3σ (if NH and $\delta_{CP}=3\pi/2$) for allowed range of θ_{23} by 2020
 - ⇒ 3σ for 30-50% (depending on octant) of δ_{CP} range by 2024.

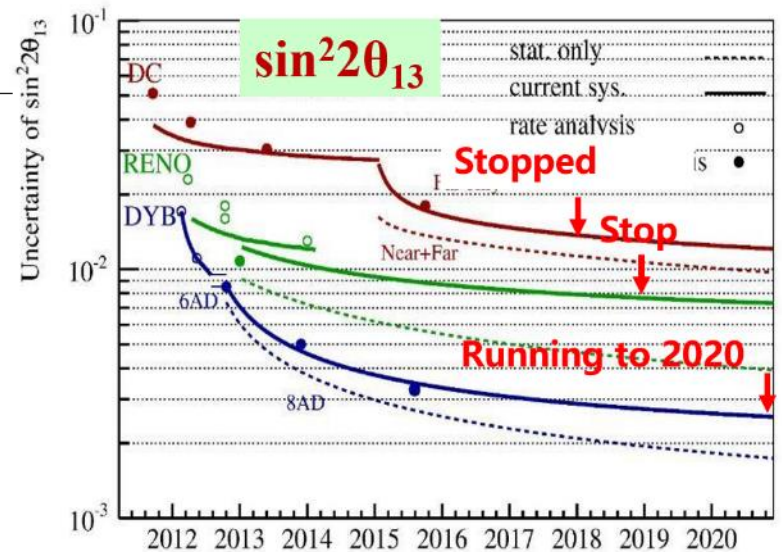
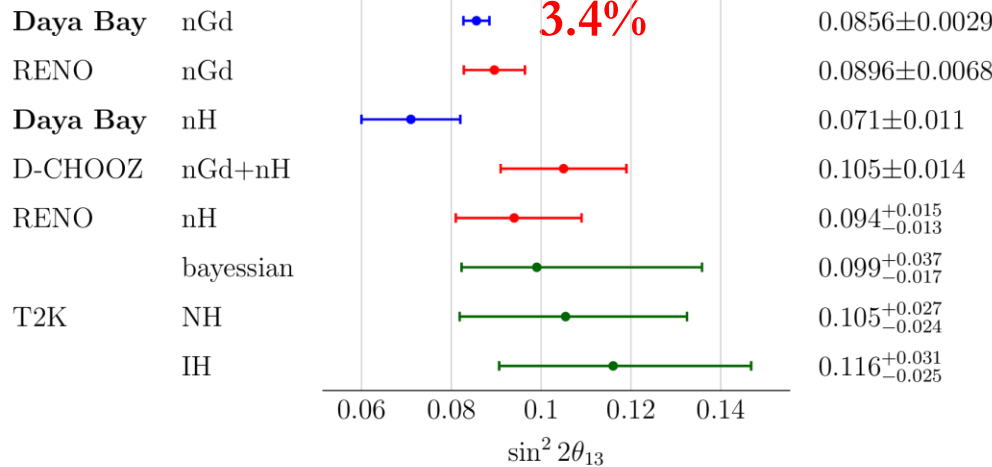


Large θ_{13} enables MH determination

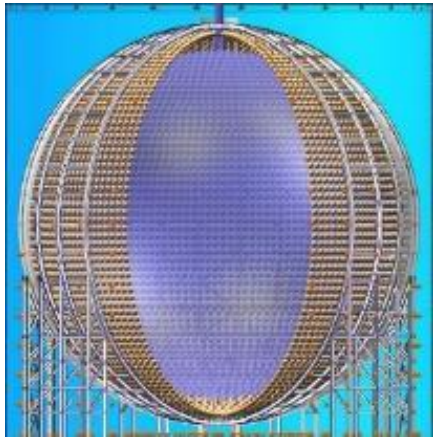


Experiment

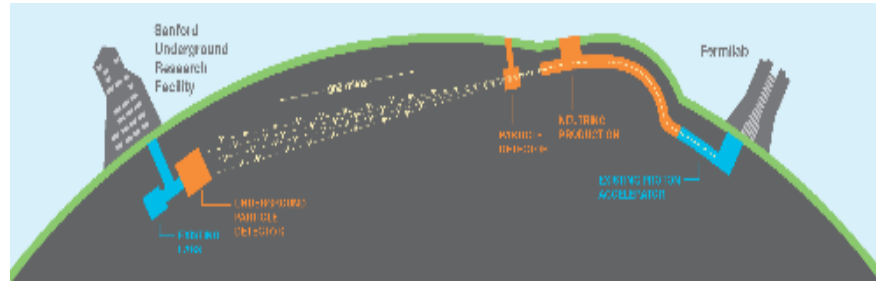
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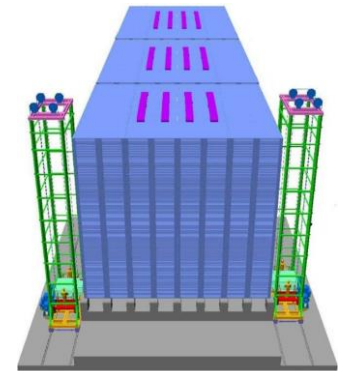
Next Generation Oscillation Exp



JUNO: 20 kton Liquid Scintillator

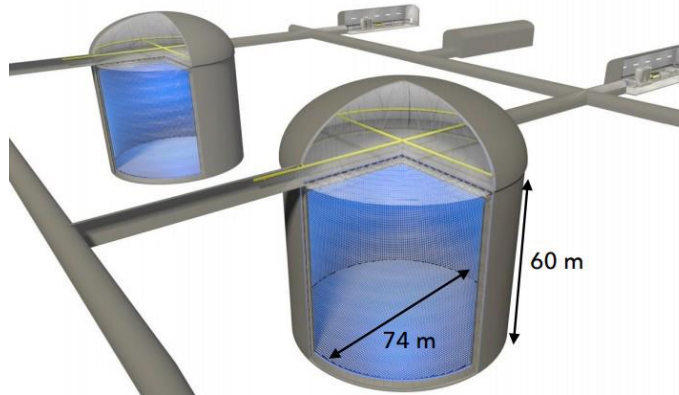
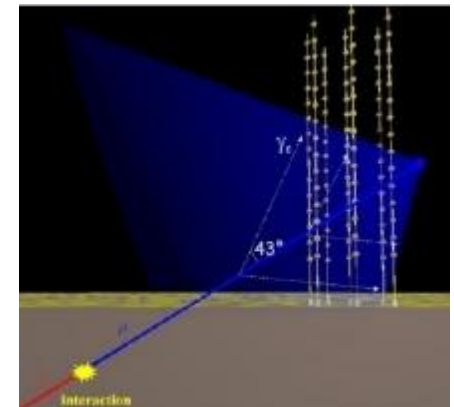
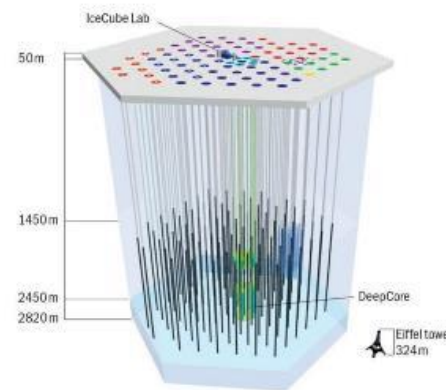


DUNE in US, 10-40 kton Liquid Argon



INO in India, 50 kton Iron+RPC

PINGU at South Pole



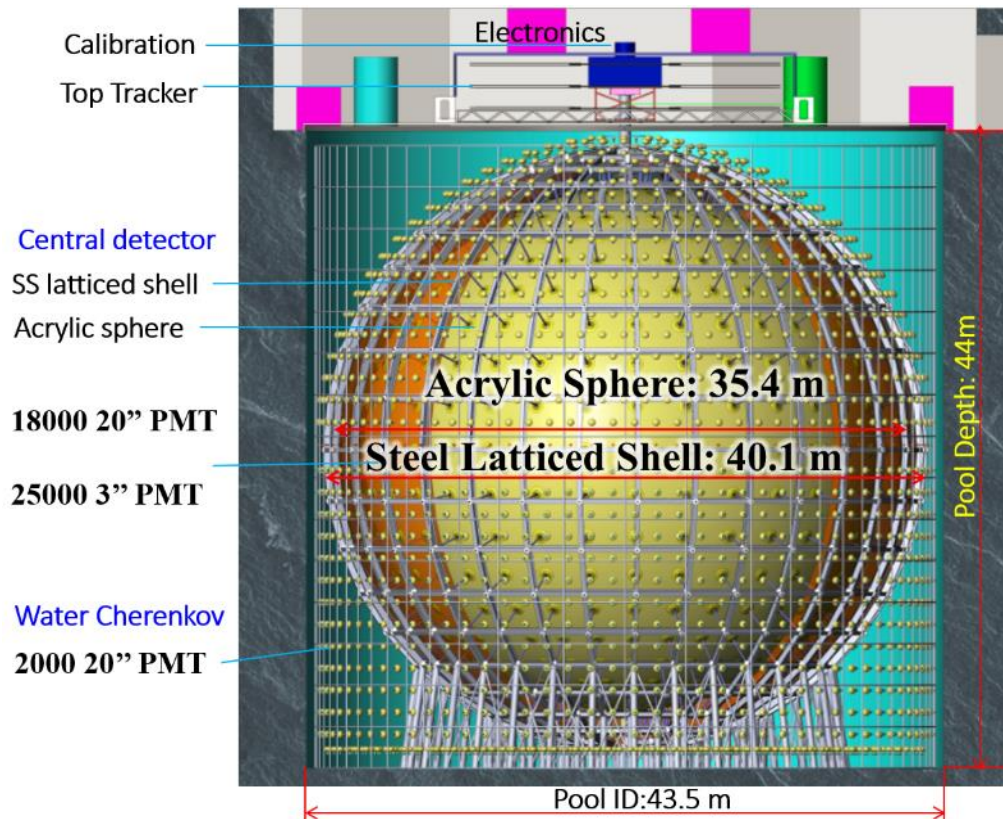
Hyper-K, T2HK in Japan, 260 kton water

ORCA in Mediterranean

JUNO Detector

Jiangmen **U**nderground **N**eutrino **O**bservatory, a multiple-purpose neutrino experiment, proposed in 2008, approved in 2013, online in 2021

LS | **12cm acrylic** | 2.35m water | **SS lattice+PMTs** | 1.2m water+PMT | **HDPE**

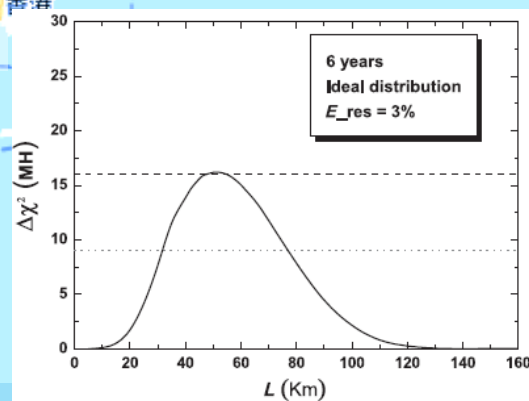
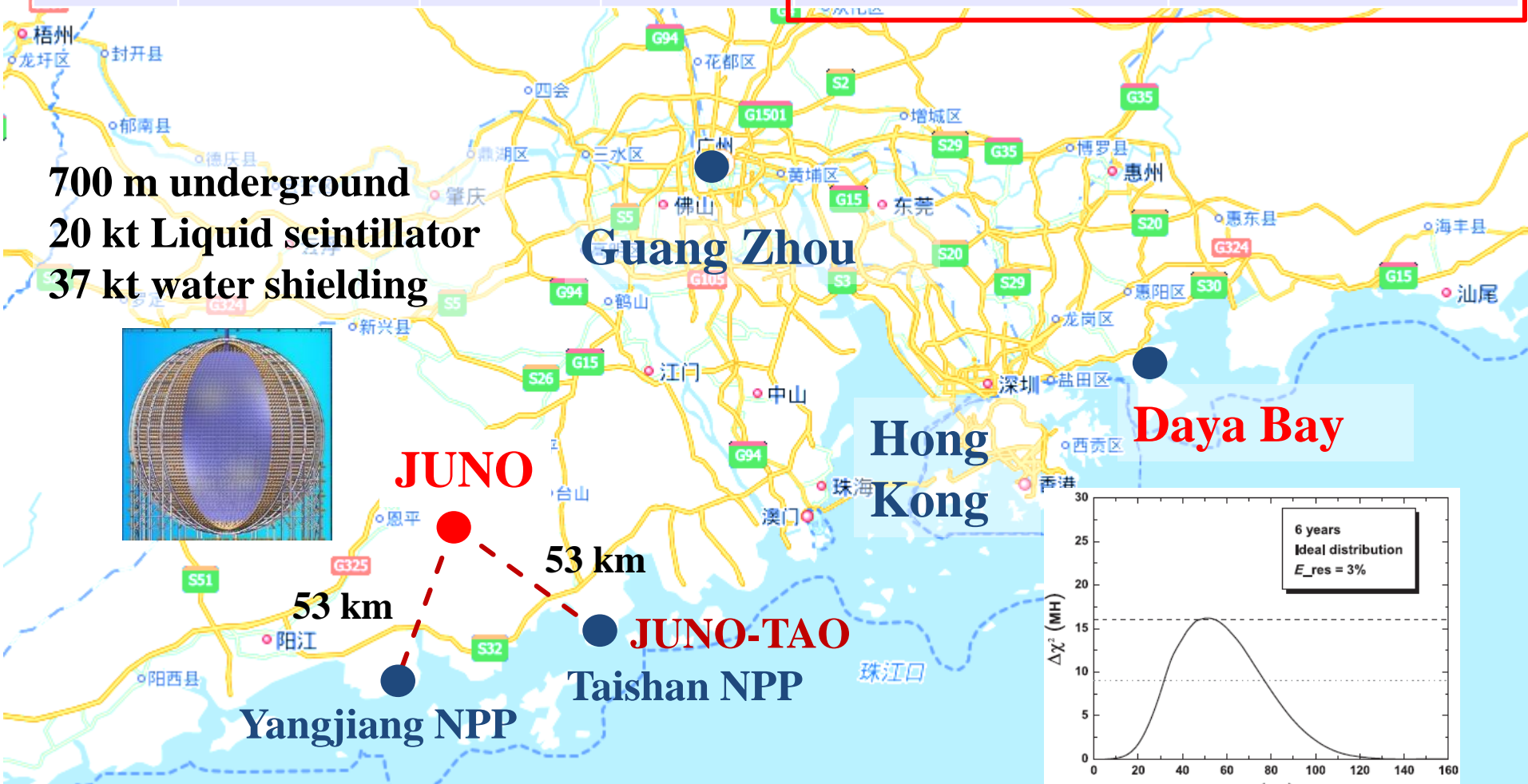
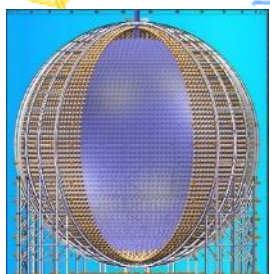


- ◆ 20 kton LS detector
- ◆ $3\%/\sqrt{E}$ energy resolution
- ◆ Rich physics possibilities
 - ⇒ Reactor neutrino for **Mass hierarchy** and precision measurement of **3 oscillation parameters**
 - ⇒ Supernova neutrino
 - ⇒ Geo-neutrino
 - ⇒ Solar neutrino
 - ⇒ Proton decay
 - ⇒ Exotic searches

Location of JUNO

| NPP | Daya Bay | Huizhou | Lufeng | Yangjiang | Taishan |
|--------|-------------|---------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Status | Operational | Planned | Planned | Under construction | Under construction |
| Power | 17.4 GW | 17.4 GW | 17.4 GW | 17.4 GW | 9.2 + 9.2 GW |

700 m underground
 20 kt Liquid scintillator
 37 kt water shielding

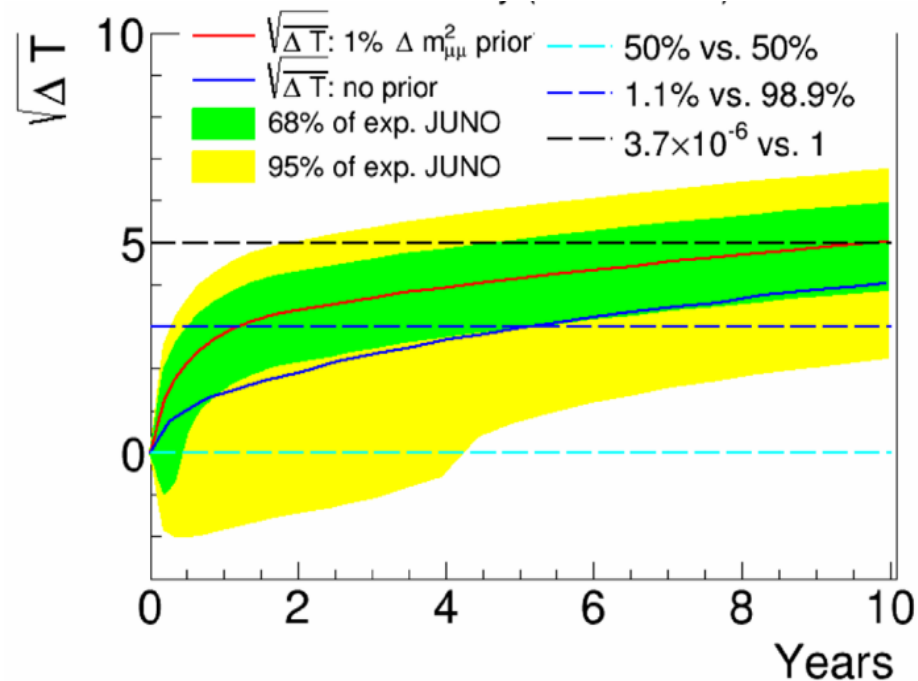


State-of-Art LS Detector

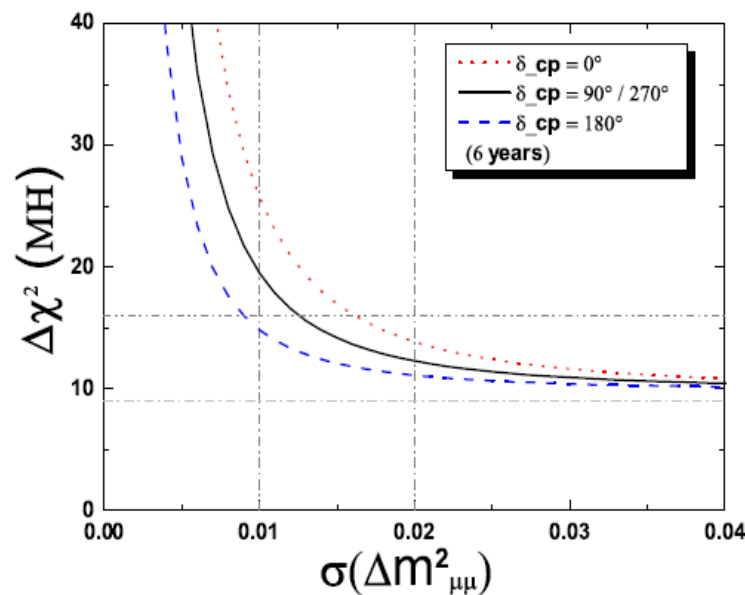
| | Daya Bay | BOREXINO | KamLAND | JUNO |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------------|
| Target Mass | ~20 t | ~300 t | ~1 kt | ~20 kt |
| Photoelectron Yield (PE/MeV) | ~160 | ~500 | ~250 | ~1200 |
| Photocathode Coverage | ~12% | ~34% | ~34% | ~78% |
| Energy Resolution | ~8%/√E | ~5%/√E | ~6%/√E | 3%/√E |

- ◆ **Unprecedented energy resolution (3%)**
 - ⇒ **PMT Coverage 78%**
 - ⇒ **PMT Detection Eff. > 27%**
 - ⇒ **LS attenuation length > 20 m**
 - ⇒ **Calibration**
- ◆ **Low background (e.g. 1 ppt for acrylic, 10^{-15} to 10^{-17} for LS)**
- ◆ **20 times more statistics, mechanical challenges**
 - **Refresh many studies by an order**

Mass Hierarchy Sensitivity



3-4 σ in 6y, 4-5 σ in 10y

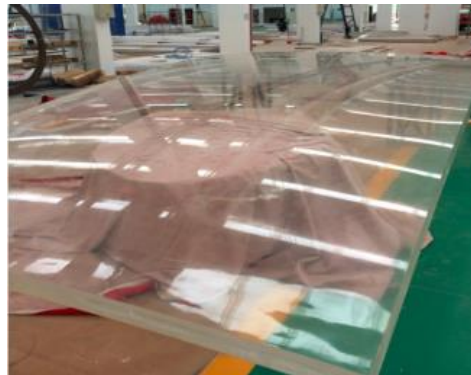
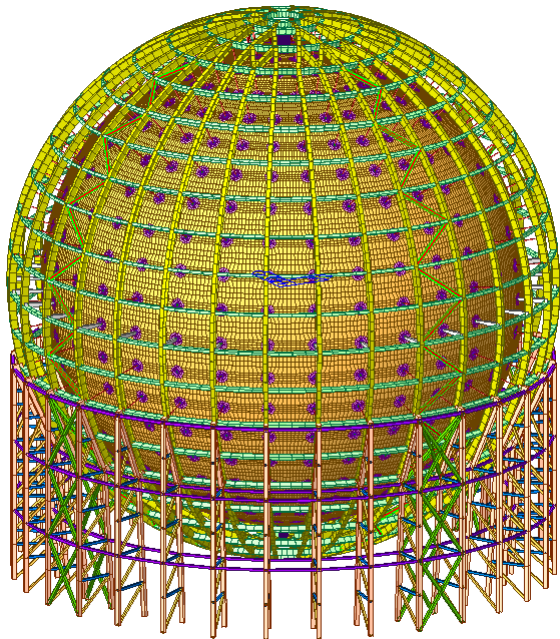


| 6 Years | Relative | w/ abs. Δm^2 |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Statistics only | 4 σ | 5 σ |
| Realistic case | 3 σ | 4 σ |

| | Ideal | Core distr. | Shape | B/S (stat.) | B/S (shape) | $ \Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2 $ |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Size | 52.5 km | Real | 1% | 4.5% | 0.3% | 1% |
| $\Delta\chi_{MH}^2$ | +16 | -4 | -1 | -0.5 | -0.1 | +8 |

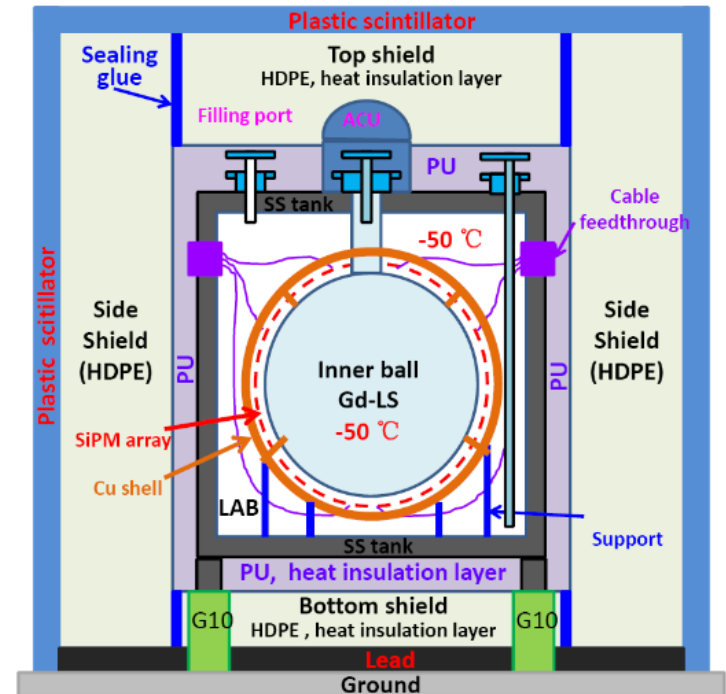
JUNO Progress

- ◆ Completed slope and vertical tunnel. Excavating exp. hall. Delay due to unexpected underground water.
- ◆ Detector R&D and fabrication on schedule
 - ⇒ Most major components contracted
 - ⇒ 15k 20-in PMTs (PDE 28%, 30%) and 18k 3-in PMTs received.
 - ⇒ 1st acrylic panel (8x3x0.12m) qualified. Start batch production



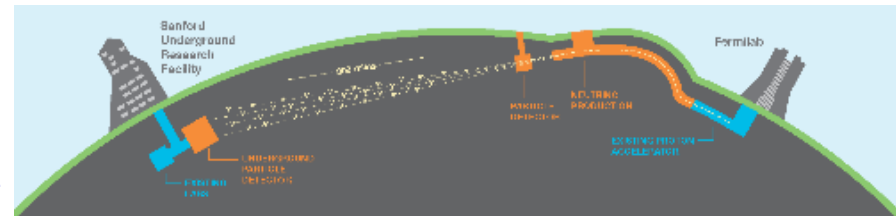
JUNO-TAO

- ◆ **Taishan Antineutrino Observatory (TAO)**, a ton-level, high energy resolution LS detector at 30 m from the core, a satellite exp. of **JUNO**.
- ◆ **Measure reactor neutrino spectrum w/ sub-percent E resolution.**
 - ⇒ **Model-independent reference spectrum for JUNO**
 - ⇒ **Benchmark for investigation of the nuclear database**
- ◆ **Ton-level Liquid Scintillator (Gd-LS)**
- ◆ **Full coverage of SiPM w/ PDE > 50%**
- ◆ **Operate at -50 °C (SiPM dark noise)**
- ◆ **4500 p.e./MeV**
- ◆ **Taishan Nuclear Power Plant, 30-35 m from a 4.6 GW_{th} core**
- ◆ **2000 IBD/day (4000)**
- ◆ **Online in 2021**

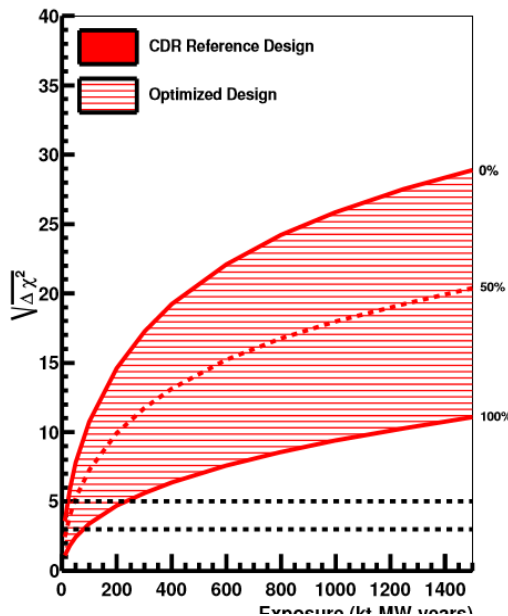
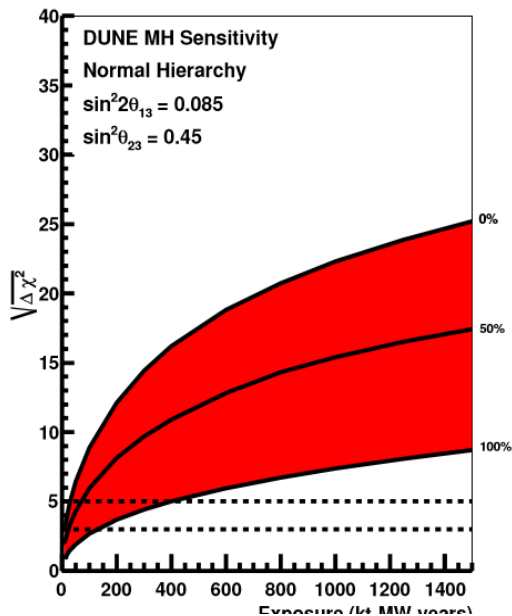


DUNE/LBNF

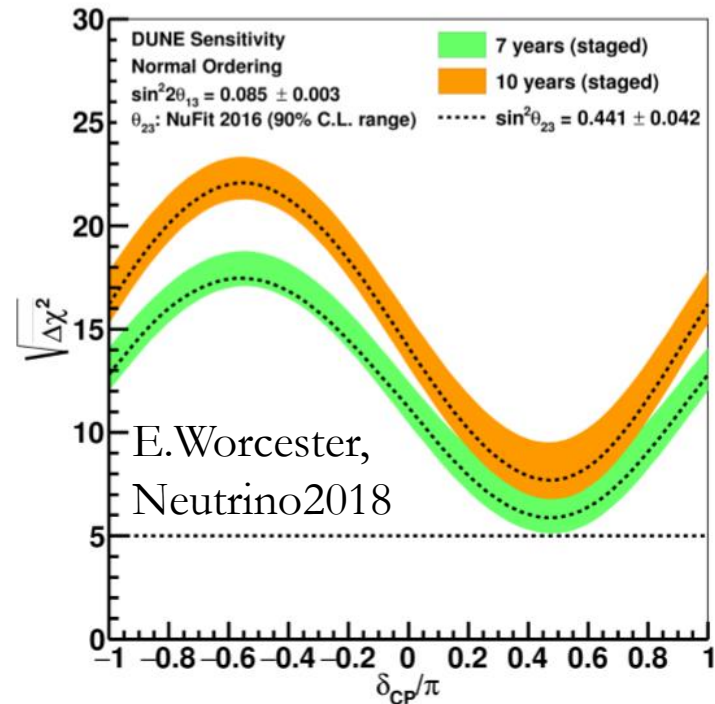
- ◆ 1300 km FNAL-SURF
- ◆ 1.2 MW upgradable to 2.4MW
- ◆ 4 10-kt LAr TPC modules, staged
- ◆ 2024 first module, 2026 beam on
- ◆ $> 5\sigma$ for all CP in 7 years



60-120 GeV proton beam

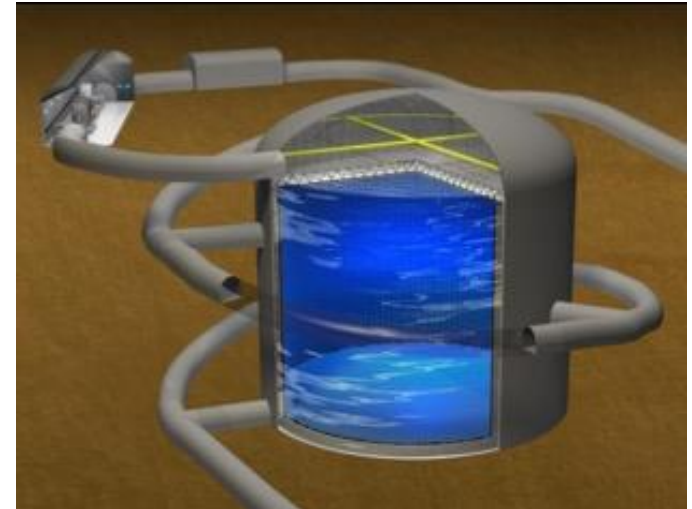


Mass Ordering

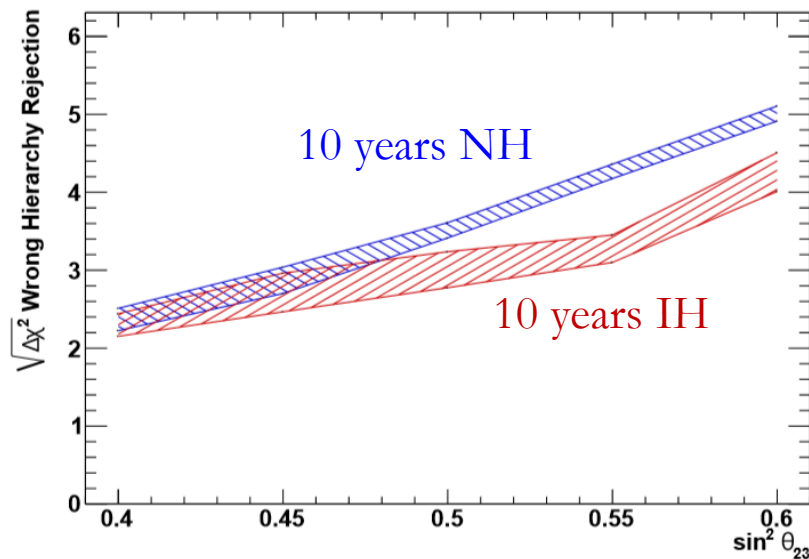


Hyper-K

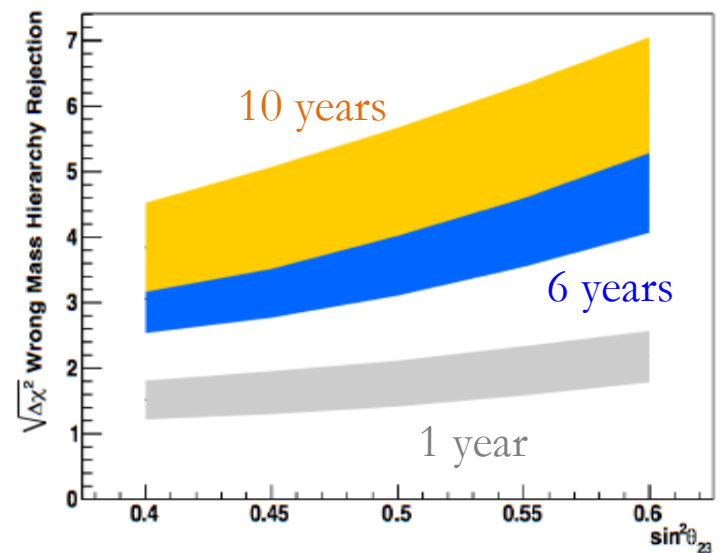
- ◆ 260 kt water Cherenkov detector
- ◆ 186 kt fiducial, 10× Super-K
- ◆ Photon sensitivity 2× Super-K
- ◆ Construction 2020, complete 2027
- ◆ Possible 2nd detector in Korea



Atmospheric

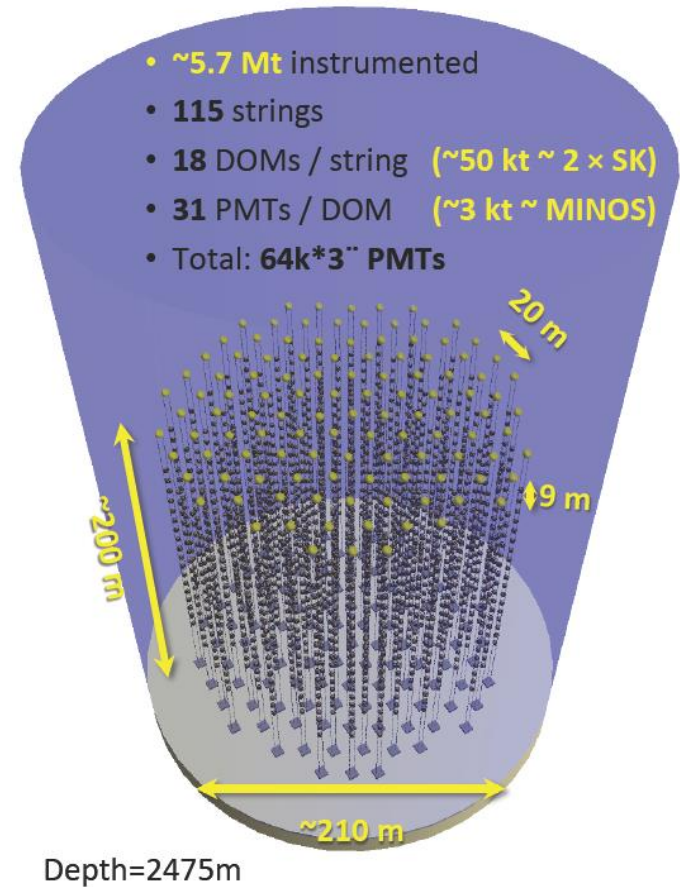
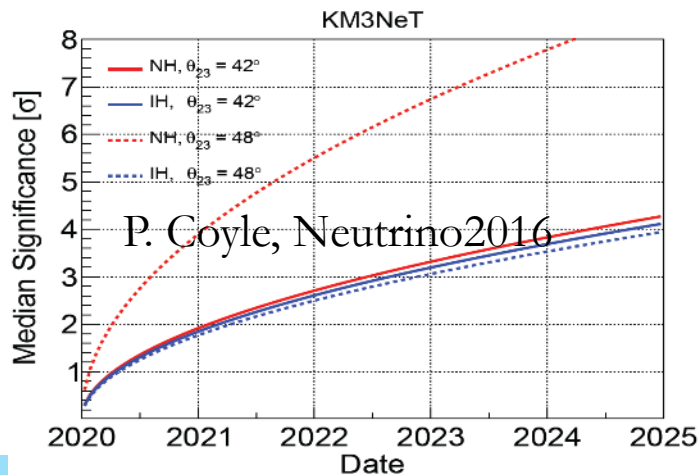
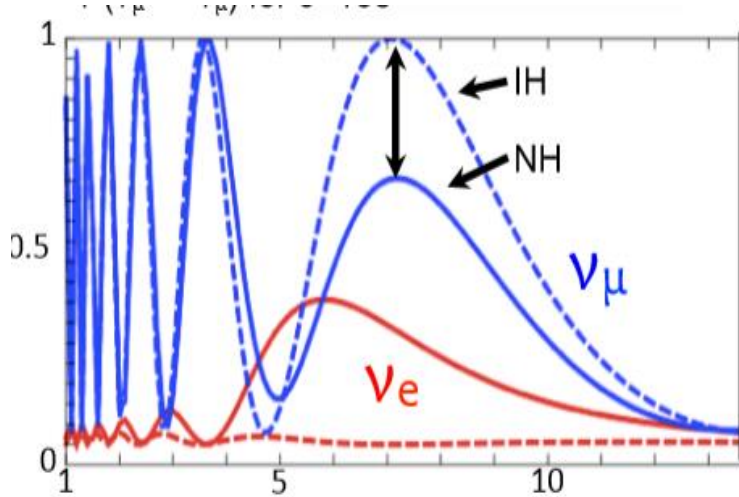


M. Shiozawa, neutrino2018



ORCA

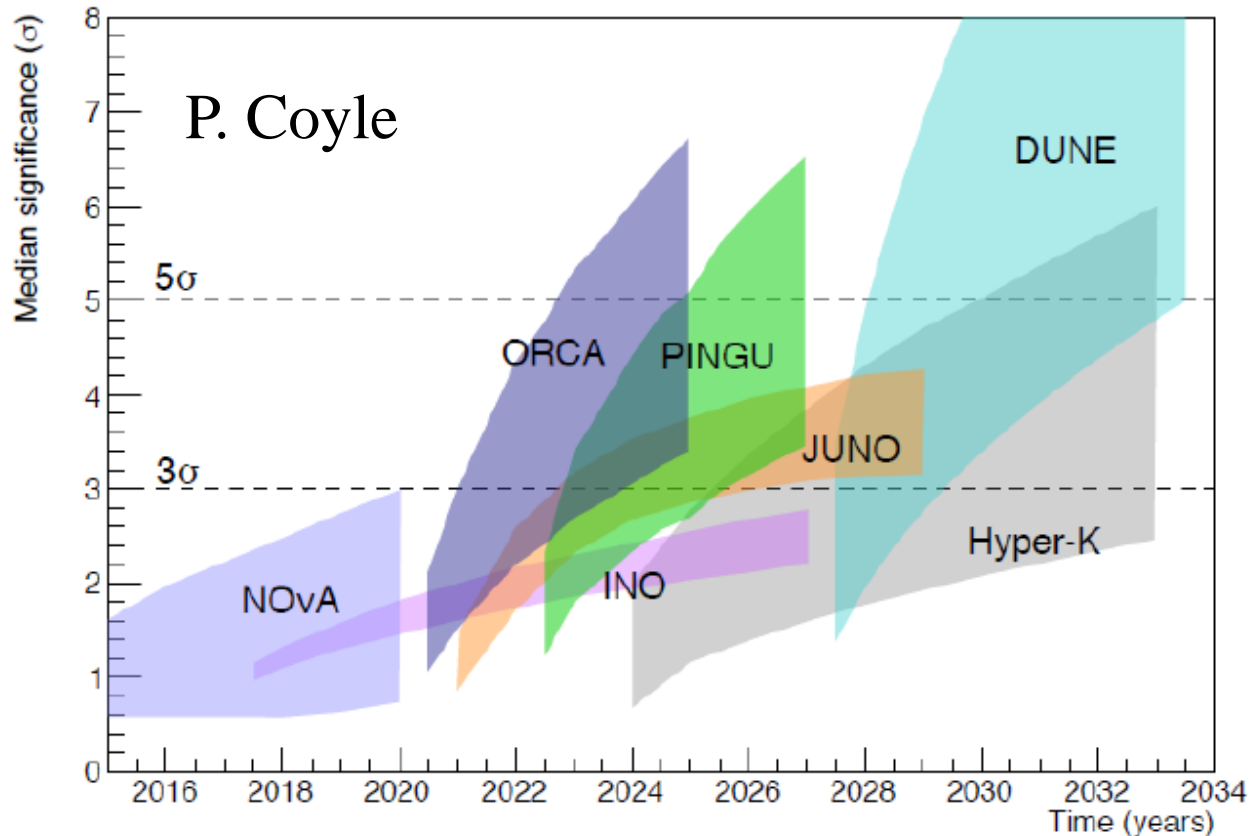
Earth matter effect maximum
 difference IH \leftrightarrow NH at $\theta=130^\circ$ (7645 km)
 and $E_\nu = 7$ GeV



Systematics

- ◆ PID 90% correct for e, 70% correct for μ at 10 GeV
- ◆ Angular resolution, energy resolution

Mass Hierarchy



NOvA: certain chance
JUNO: 2021, 3-4 σ in 6y
DUNE: 2026
Hyper-K: 2027
ORCA: 202x, 3 σ in 4y
PINGU: 202x
INO: Paused

Just for demonstration. It depends on real schedule, real value of parameters, operation assumption, systematic assumption, etc.

Summary

- ◆ **Neutrino Mass Hierarchy has profound impacts to neutrino physics, GUT, astrophysics and cosmology**
- ◆ **Current measurements $\sim 2\sigma$**
- ◆ **Several coming experiments will firmly determine the MH with different sources (reactor, accelerator, atmospheric) and different technologies (liquid scintillator, liquid Argon TPC, water, etc.), and with astrophysics.**

Thank you for you attention!