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Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

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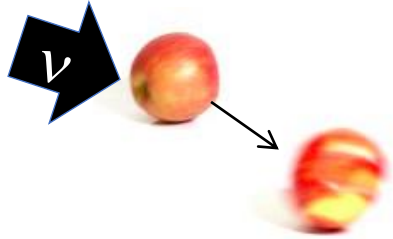
What is CEvNS (It's not about apple!)



Neutrino Energy



keV



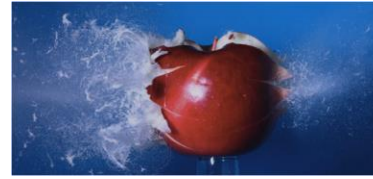
Coherent elastic
neutrino-nucleus
scattering

MeV



Interactions with
nuclei and
electrons,
minimally disruptive
of the nucleus

GeV



Interactions with
nucleons inside nuclei,
often disruptive, hadron
production

TeV



Deep Inelastic
Scattering

PeV



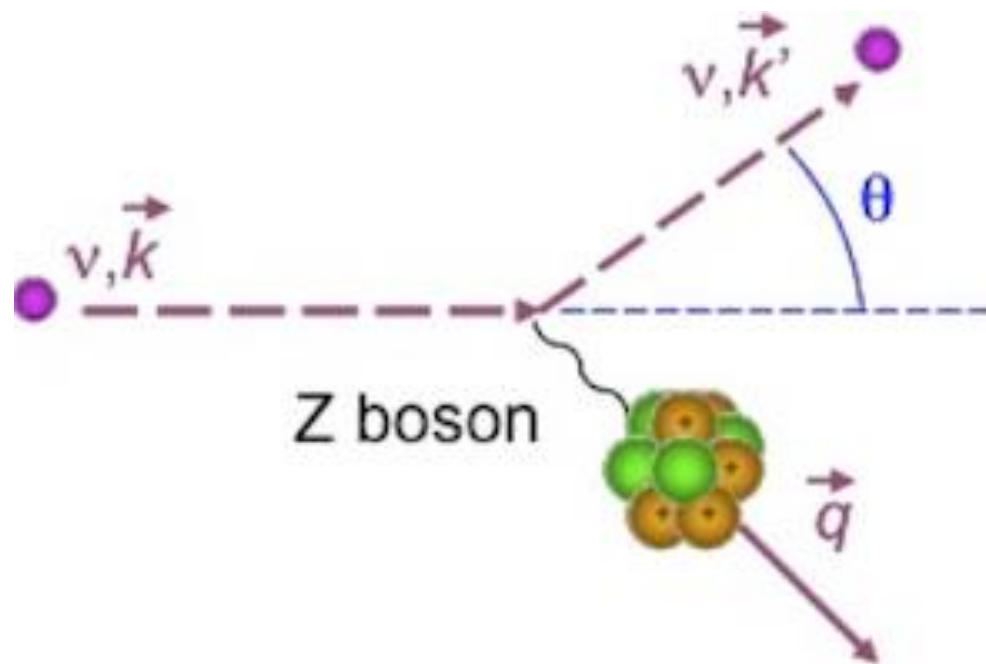
Coherent effects of a weak neutral current

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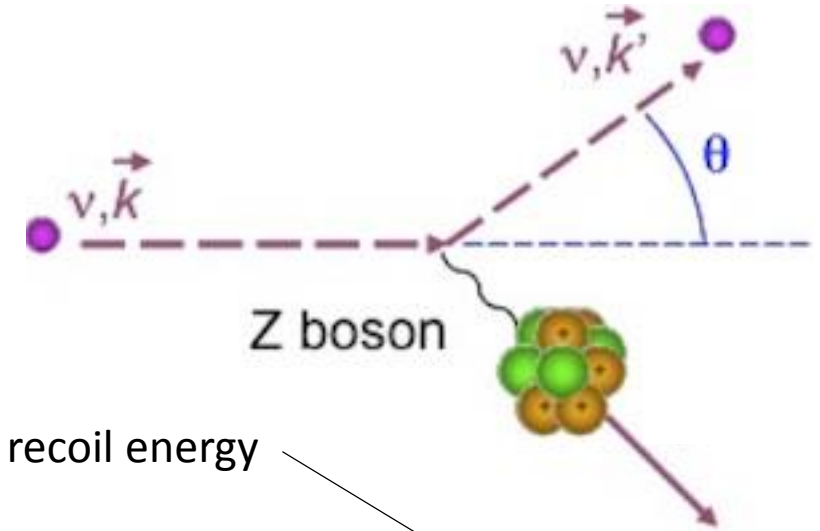
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Differential cross section



Nuclear mass

Form factor

Momentum transfer, $\sqrt{2MT}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} F^2(Q) \left[(G_V + G_A)^2 + (G_V - G_A)^2 \left(1 - \frac{T}{E_\nu}\right)^2 - (G_V^2 - G_A^2) \frac{MT}{E_\nu^2} \right]$$

Nuclear recoil energy

Incident neutrino energy

SM weak parameters:

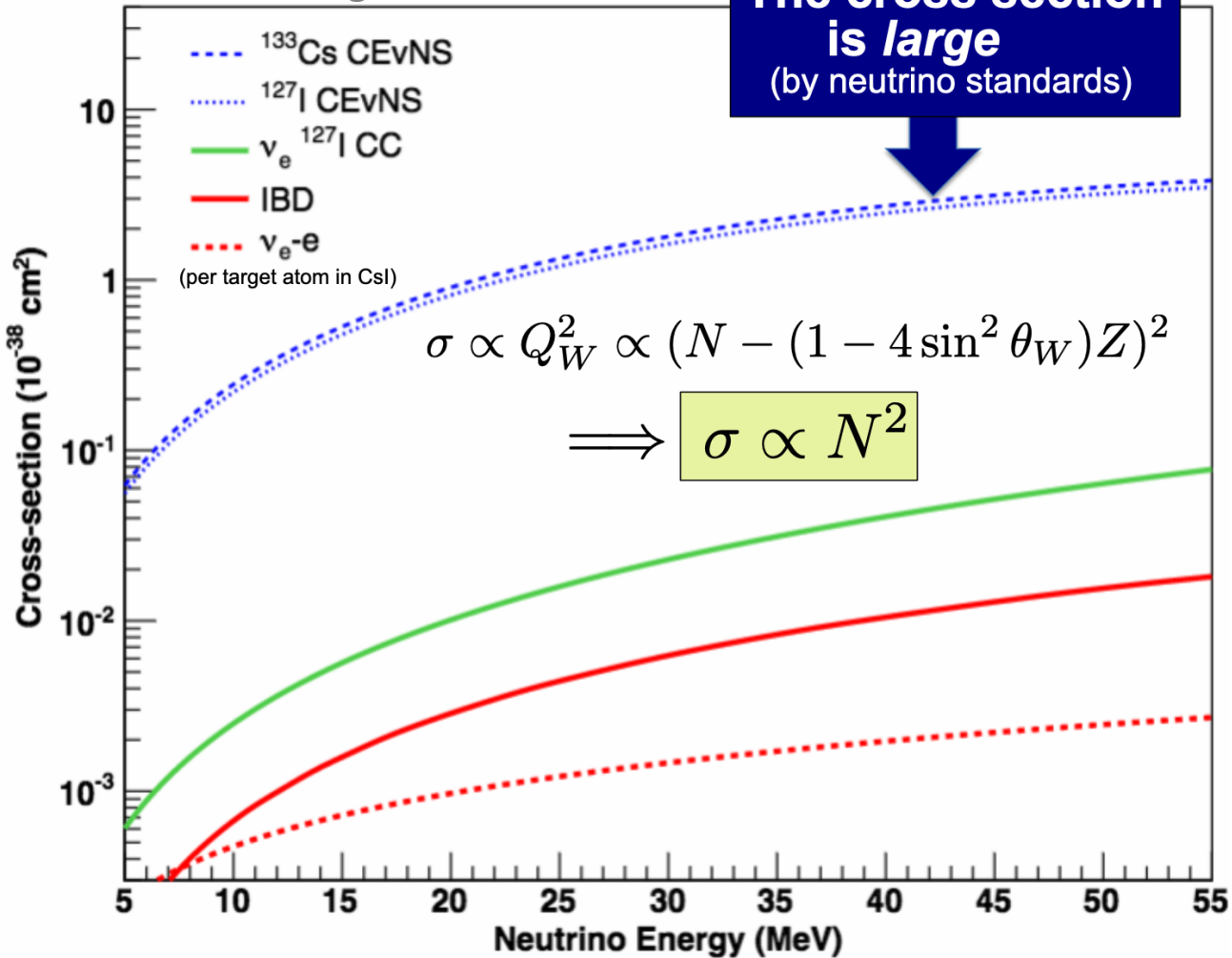
$$G_V = g_V^p Z + g_V^n N \quad \& \quad G_A = g_A^p (Z_+ - Z_-) + g_A^n (N_+ - N_-)$$

0.0298 -0.5117 0.4955 -0.5121 Spin up Spin down

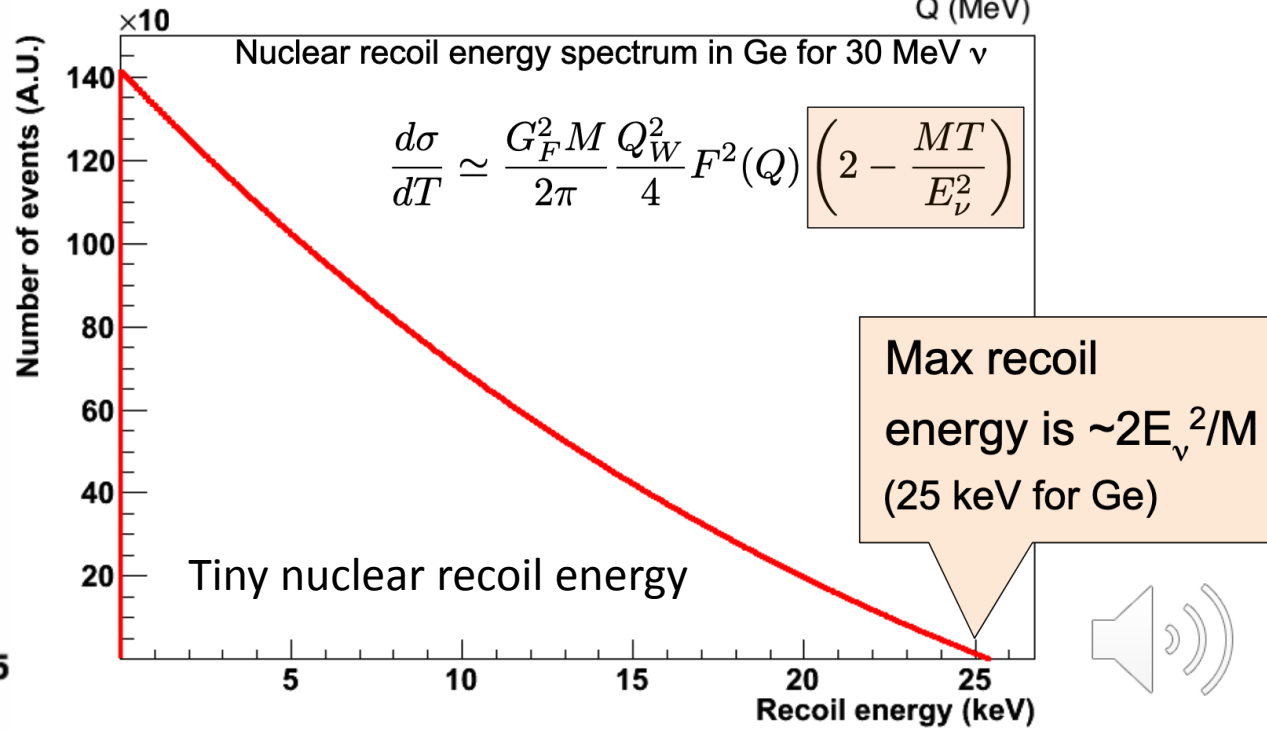
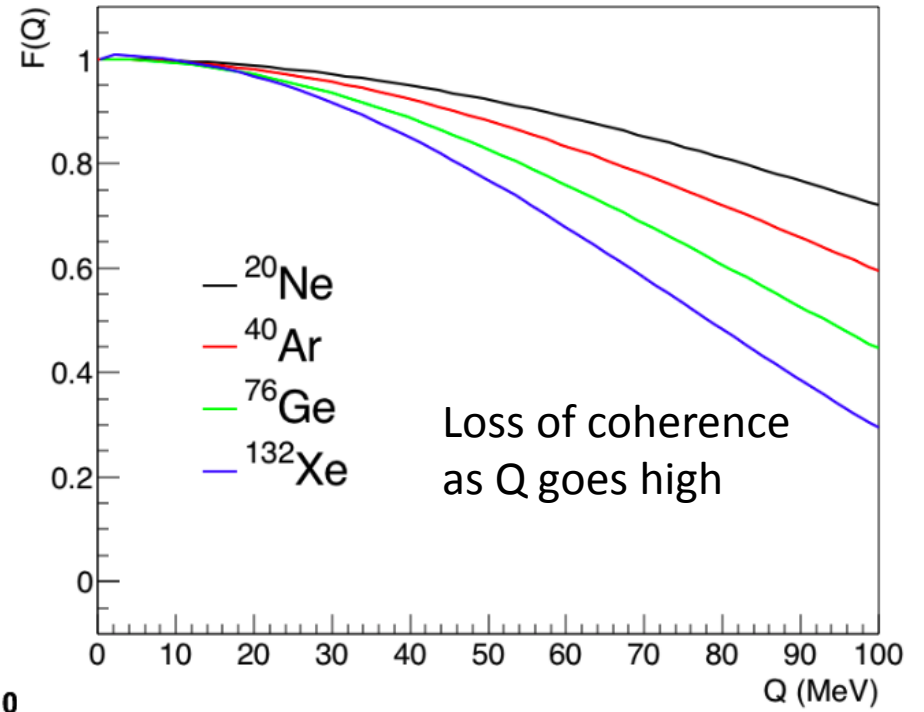
↑
dominates

Good and bad

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The cross section is large
(by neutrino standards)



SNS (Spallation Neutron Source)
 ORNL (Oak Ridge National Lab)
 COHERENT Collaboration

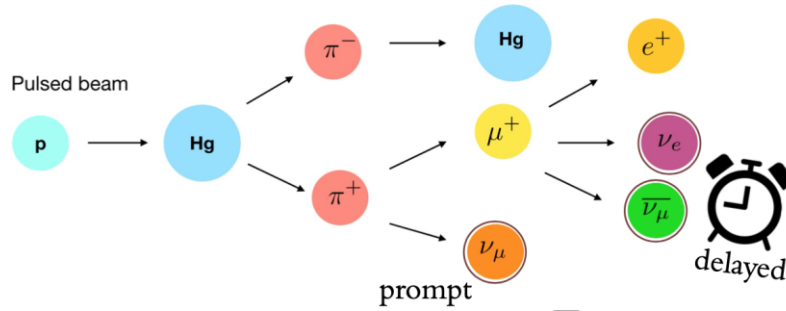
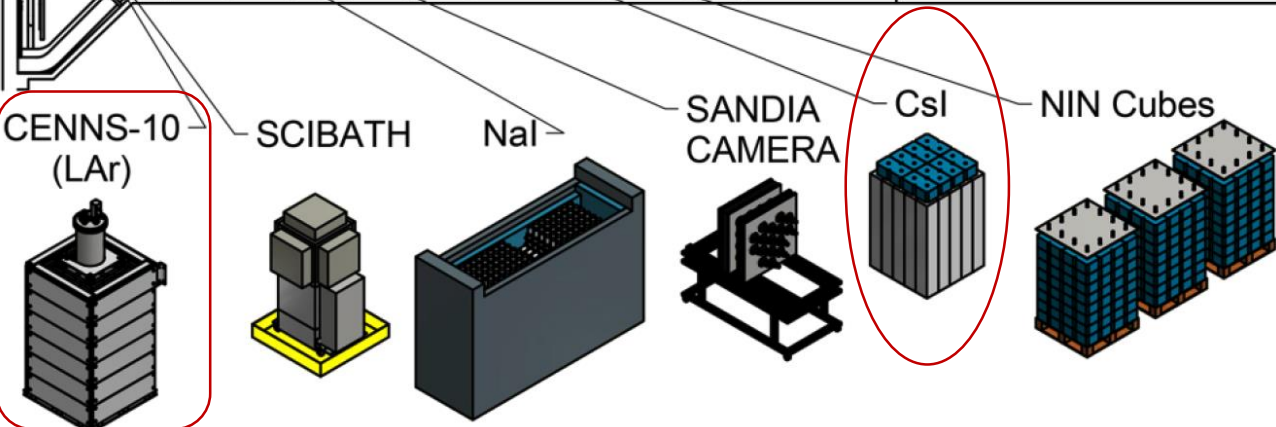
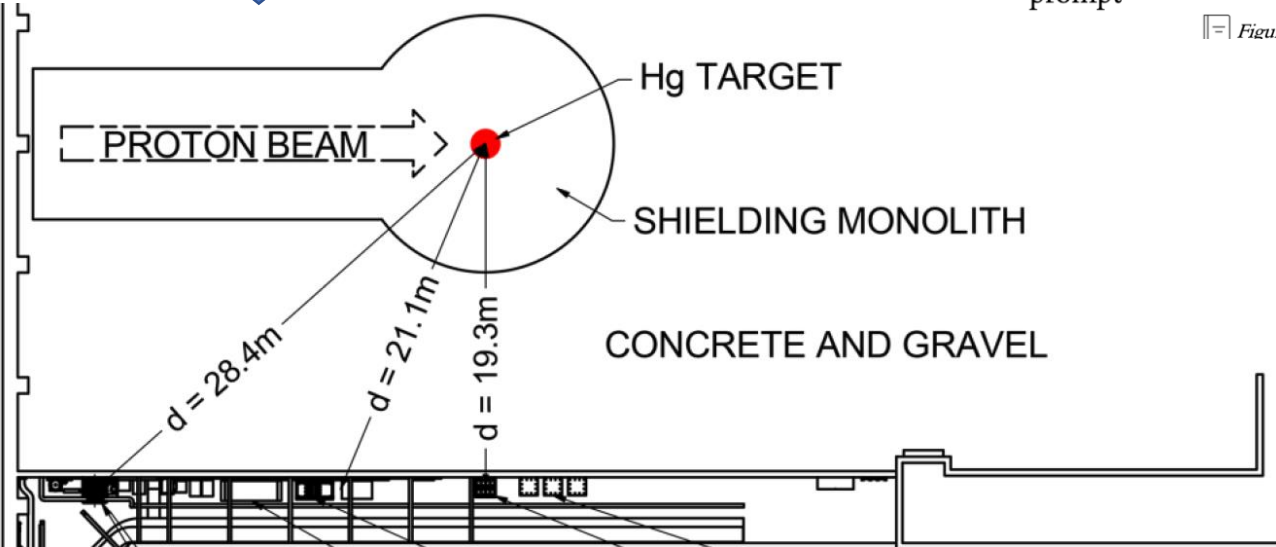
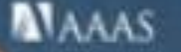


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SPOTTING A GHOST

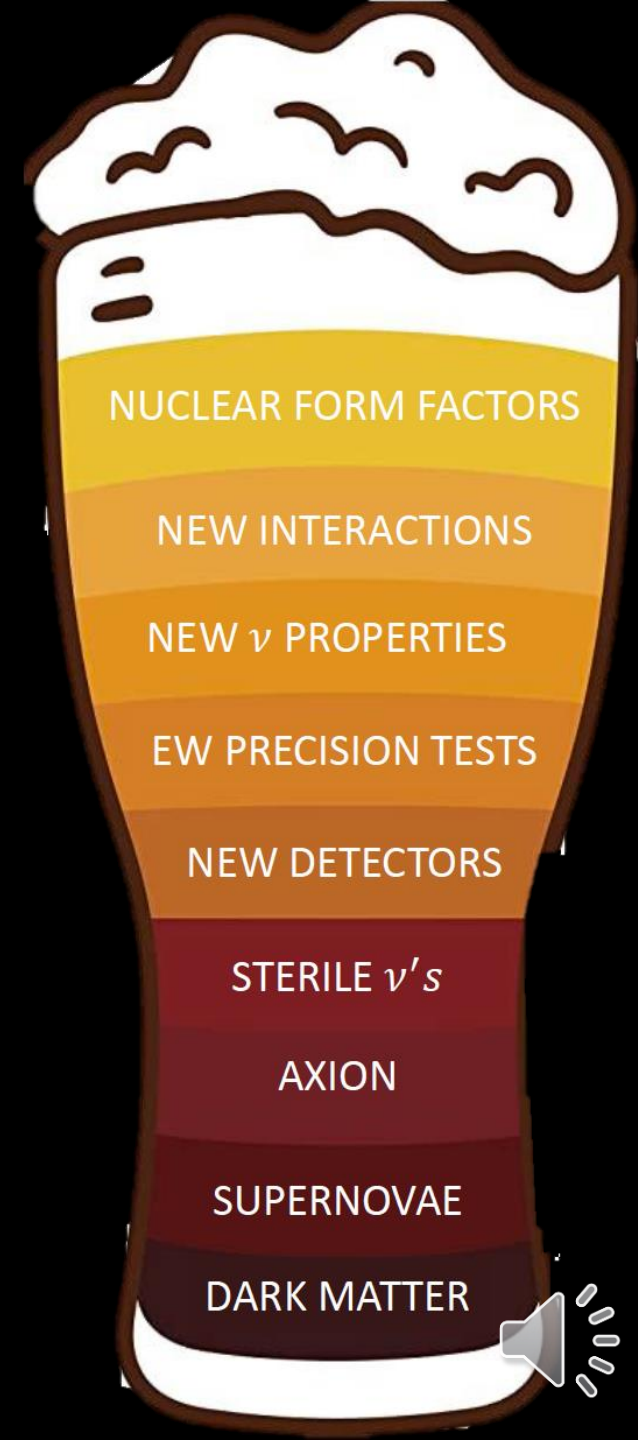
A compact detector spies neutrinos scattering from nuclei
 pp. 1098 & 1123



Why bother

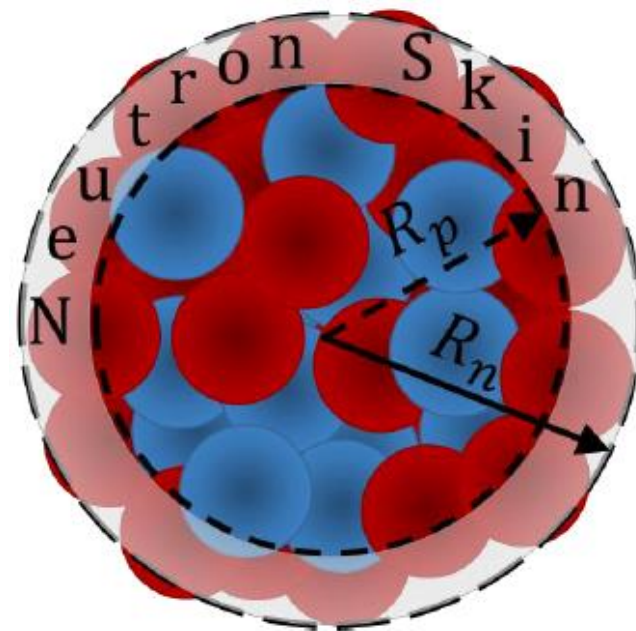
- Particle physics
 - Precision test of SM
 - Beyond SM physics
- Nuclear physics
 - Nuclear form factor
 - Neutron distribution radius
- Astroparticle physics
 - Energy transport in supernovae
 - To detect SN neutrinos
- Applied physics
 - Reactor monitoring
 - Application for non-proliferation

- Cadeddu, M7s 2020
- Bonifazi, TAUP 2021
- Bernstein, Rev. Mod. Phys. 92 (2020) 011003



Neutron distribution

- Most information about nuclear sizes is from electron-nucleus scattering and are sensitive to proton distribution
- CEvNS can be used to probe neutron distribution:



$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu-N}}{dT} = \frac{G_F^2 M}{4\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E_\nu^2} \right) [N \mathbf{F}_N(T, R_n) - (1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) Z \mathbf{F}_Z(T, R_p)]^2$$

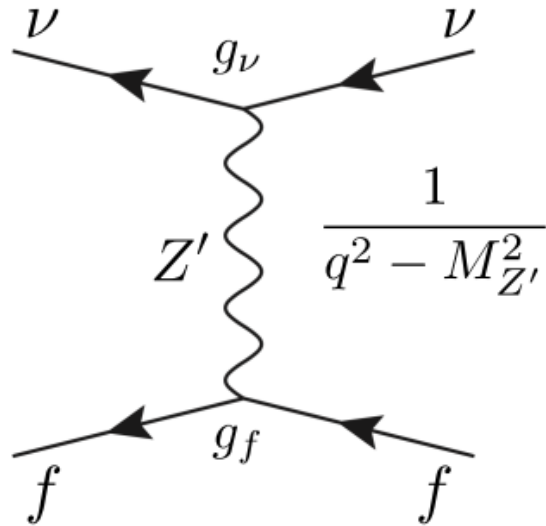
Two different form factors, one for the **neutron distribution** and one for the **proton**.

$(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) \sim 0.05$ moreover $Z < N$ so the contribution of the proton form factor is negligible!!

Hence, **measurements of the process give information on the nuclear neutron form factor** which is more difficult to obtain in a model independent way.

[Phys. Rev. **D30**, 2295 (1984); JHEP **0512**, 021 (2005); Phys. Rev. **C86**, 024612 (2012), Phys. Rev. Lett. **120** (2018) 7, 072501; JHEP 1906:141 (2019) ...]

Non-standard neutrino interaction (NSI)



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}}^{\text{NC}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{\alpha,\beta=e,\mu,\tau} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\gamma^\rho\nu_{\beta L}) \sum_{f=u,d} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fV} (\bar{f}\gamma_\rho f)$$

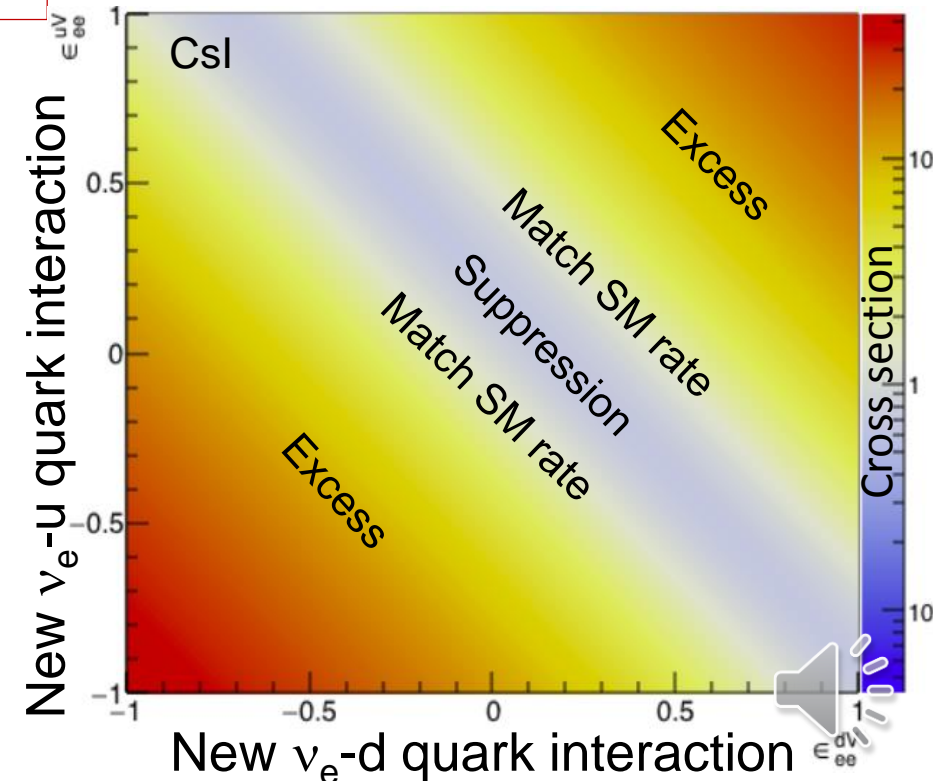
$$\epsilon_{\ell\ell}^{fV} = \frac{g_{Z'}^2 Q'_\ell Q'_f}{\sqrt{2}G_F (|\vec{q}|^2 + M_{Z'}^2)}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu_\alpha-N}}{dT}(E, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E^2}\right) Q_\alpha^2$$

$$Q_\alpha^2 = [(g_V^p + 2\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{uV} + \epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{dV})ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|^2) + (g_V^n + \epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{uV} + 2\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{dV})NF_N(|\vec{q}|^2)]^2 + \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} |(2\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{uV} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{dV})ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|^2) + (\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{uV} + 2\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{dV})NF_N(|\vec{q}|^2)|^2$$

Scaling of the SM cross section

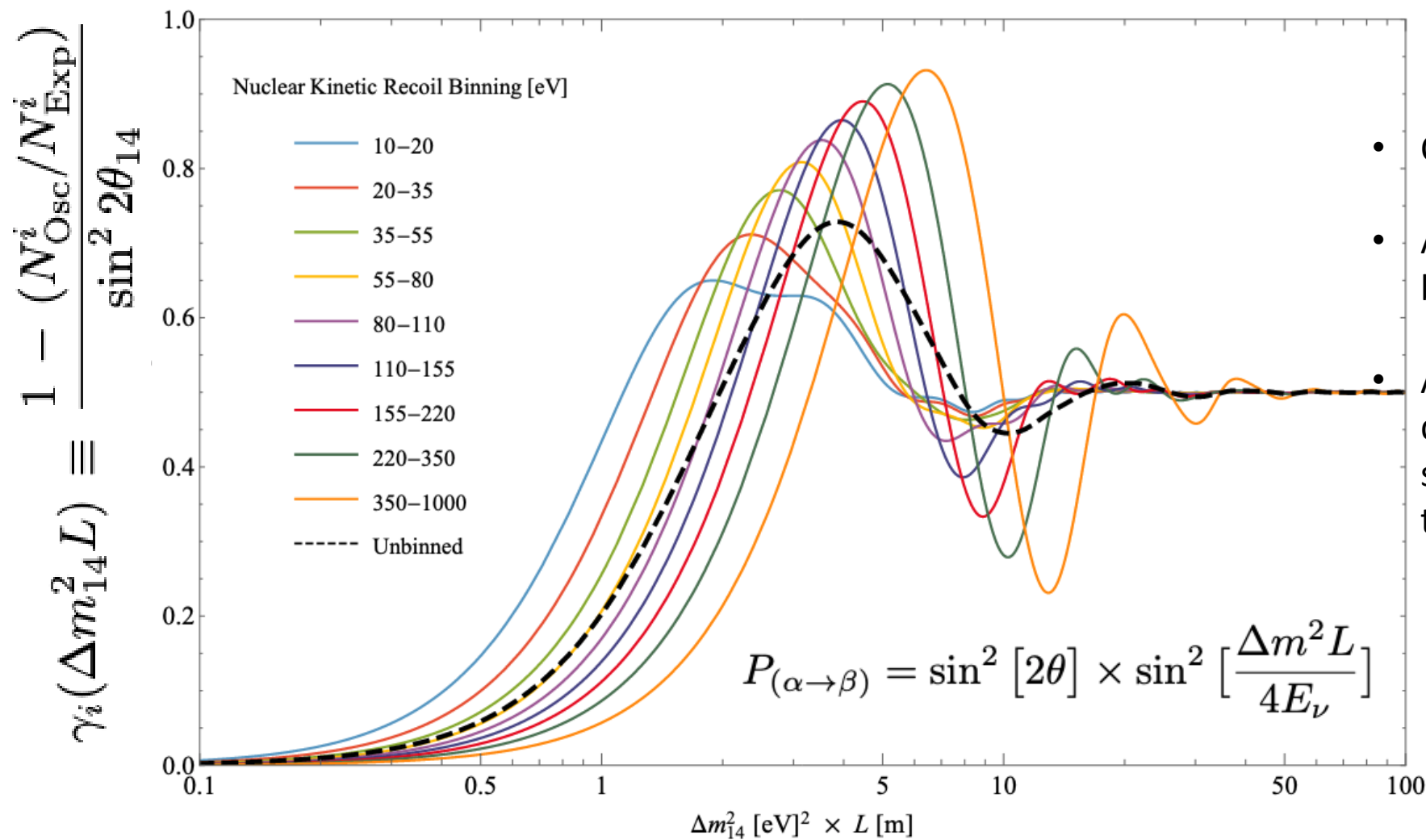
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Sterile neutrino



Sterile Neutrino Oscillation in Reactor CEνNS with Ge

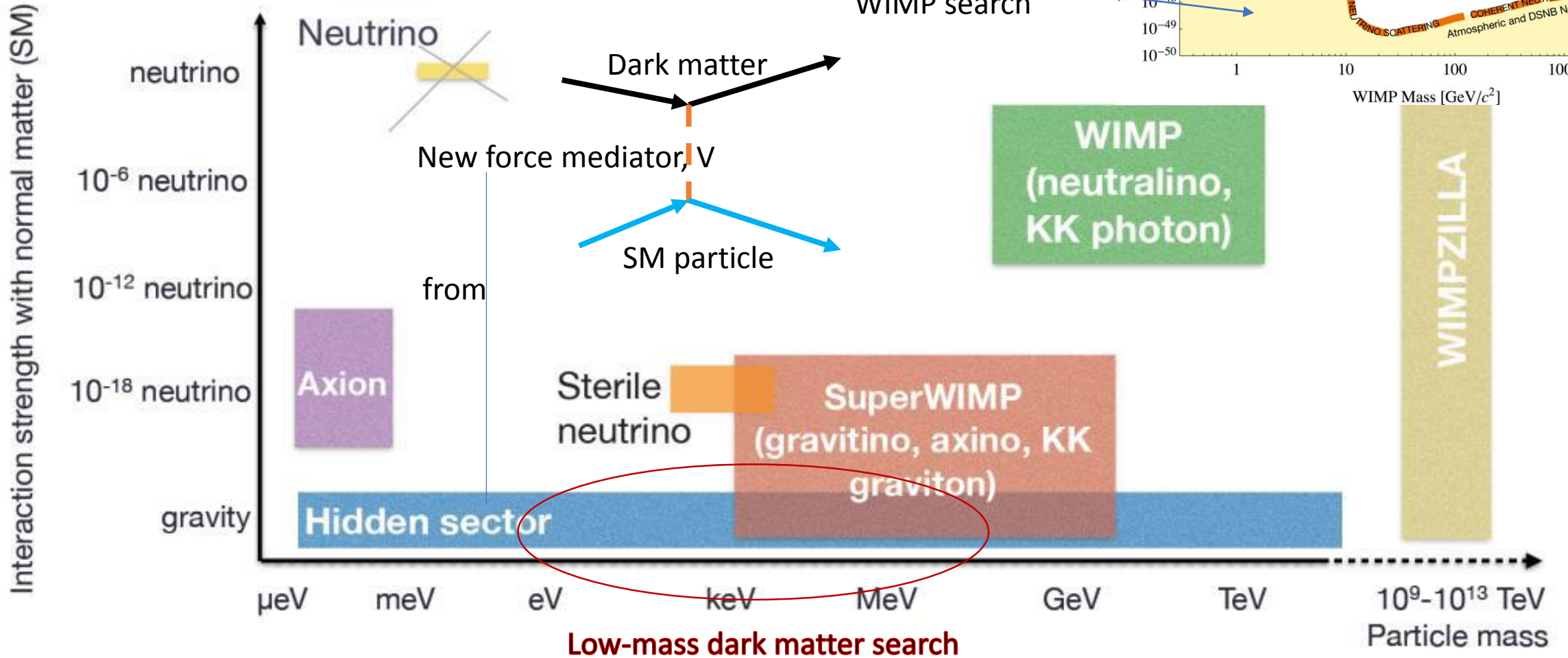


- CEνNS happens for all flavors
- And is insensitive to oscillations between known flavors
- A changing deficit of CEνNS at different distances from neutrino source indicates oscillations to/from a sterile neutrino

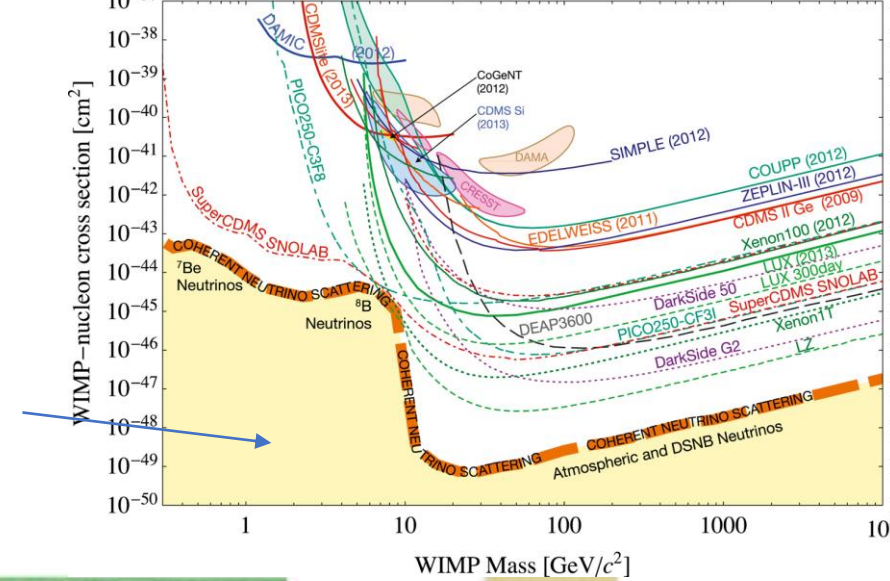


Relation to

Dark matter search



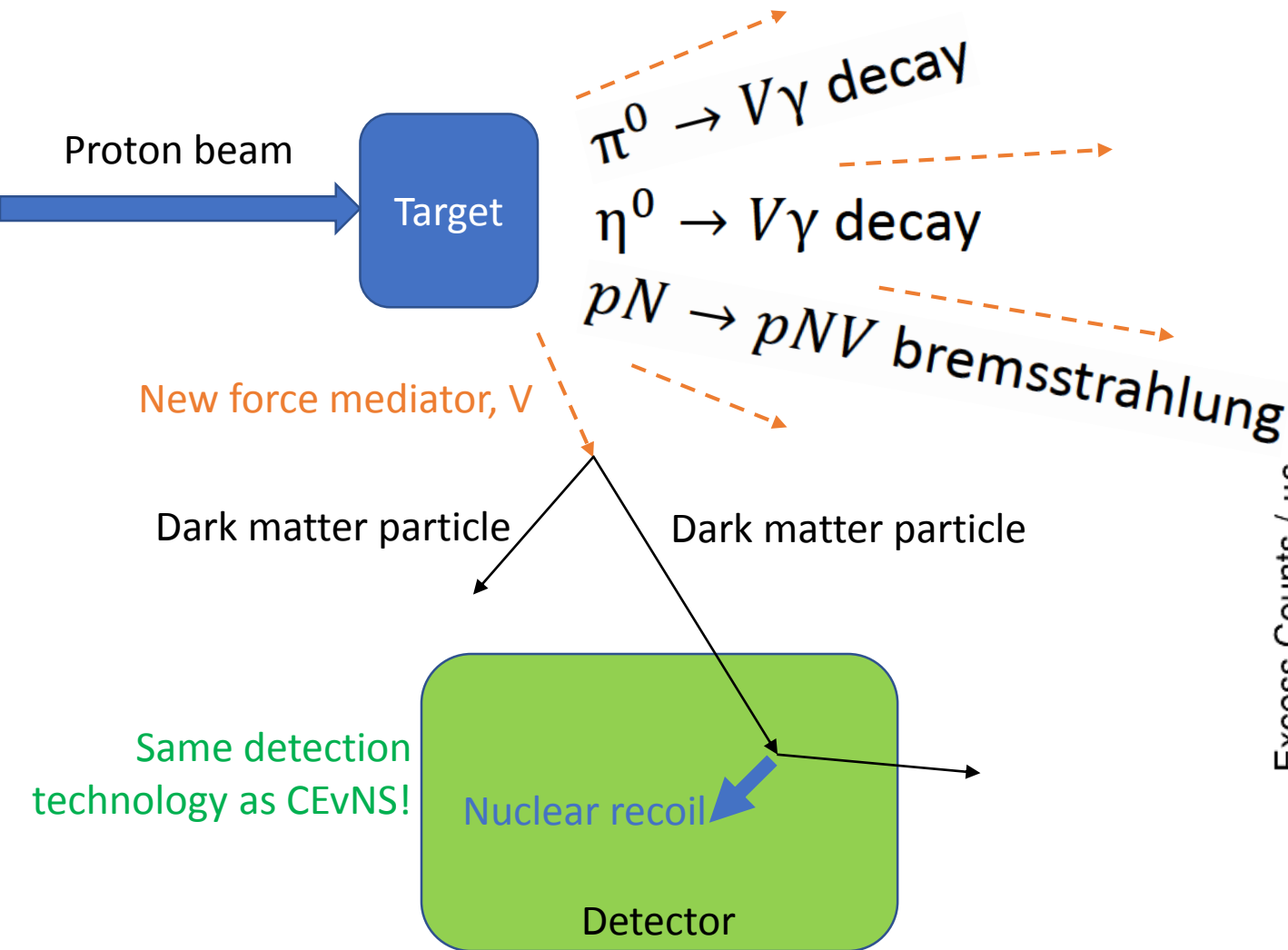
Background for WIMP search



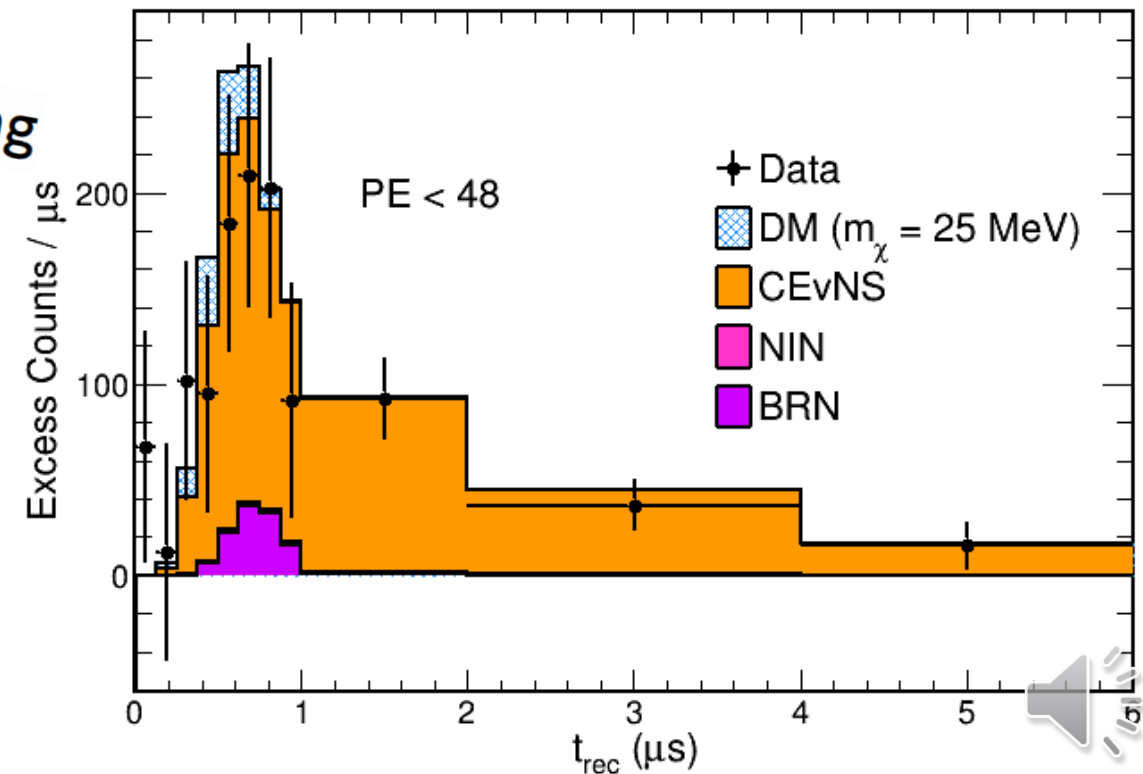
Accelerator-based dark matter search

D. Pershey, ORNL seminar, 2021

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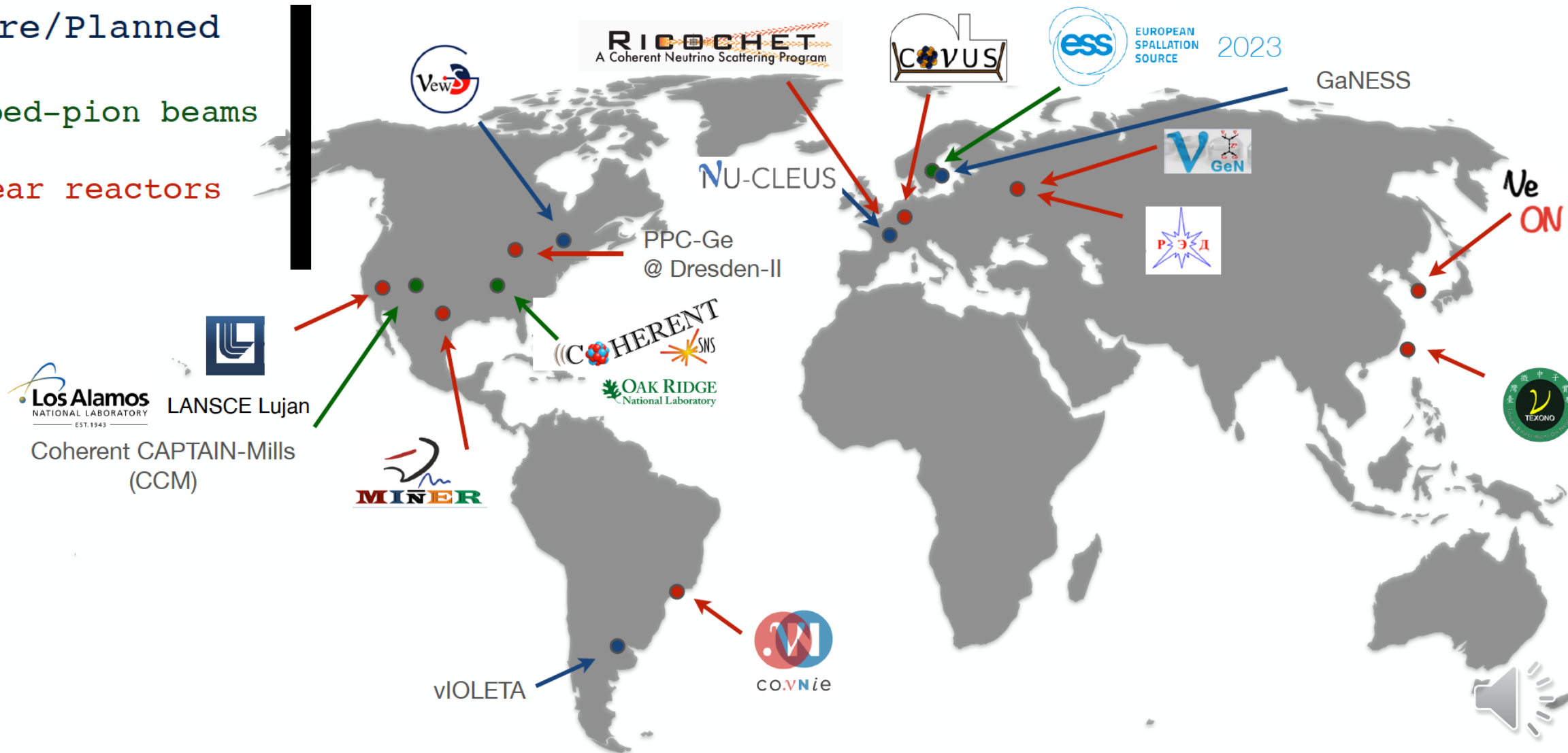
CEvNS: dominant background!



A global effort

Bonifazi, TAUP 2021

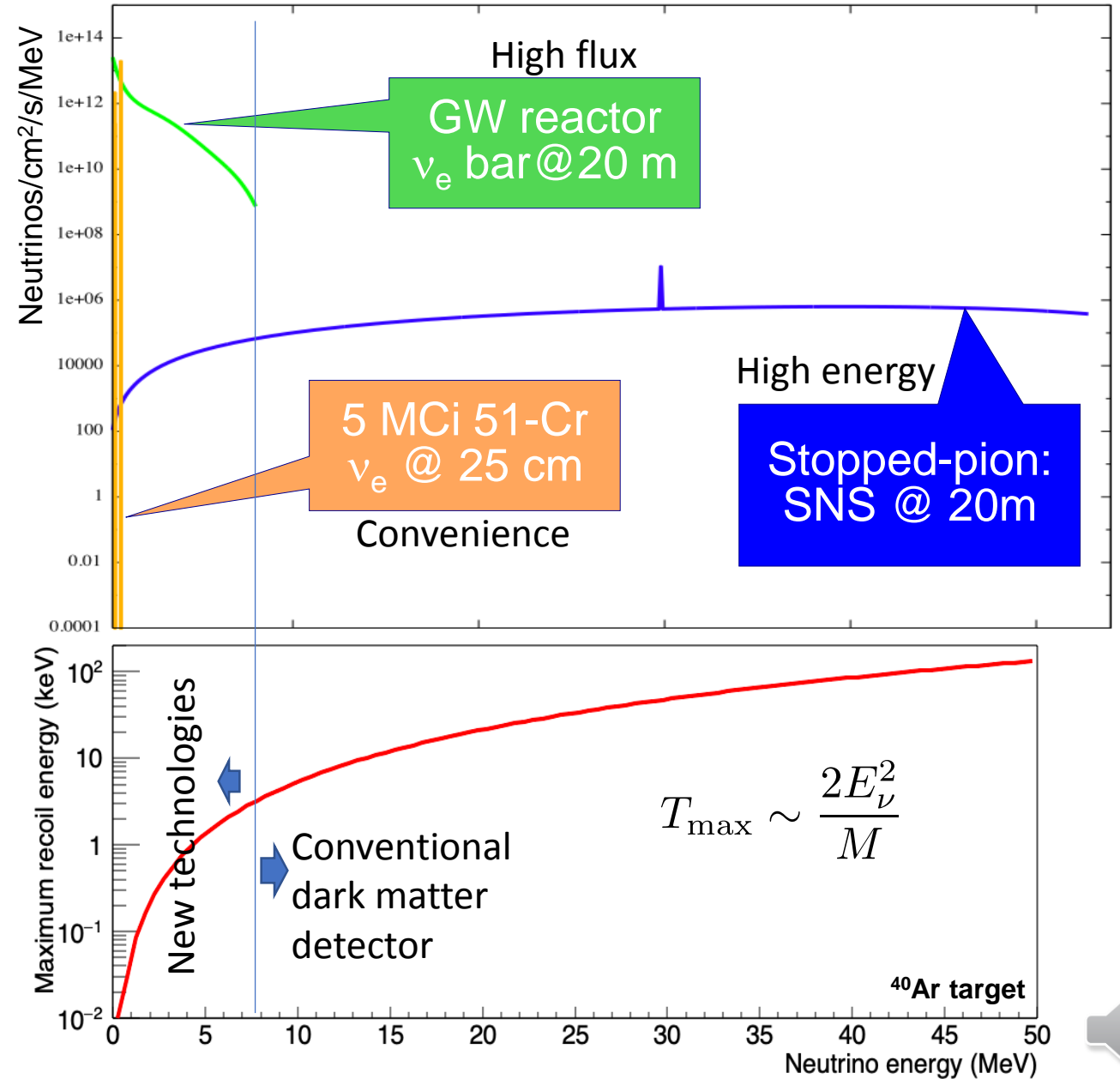
- Future/Planned
- Stopped-pion beams
- Nuclear reactors

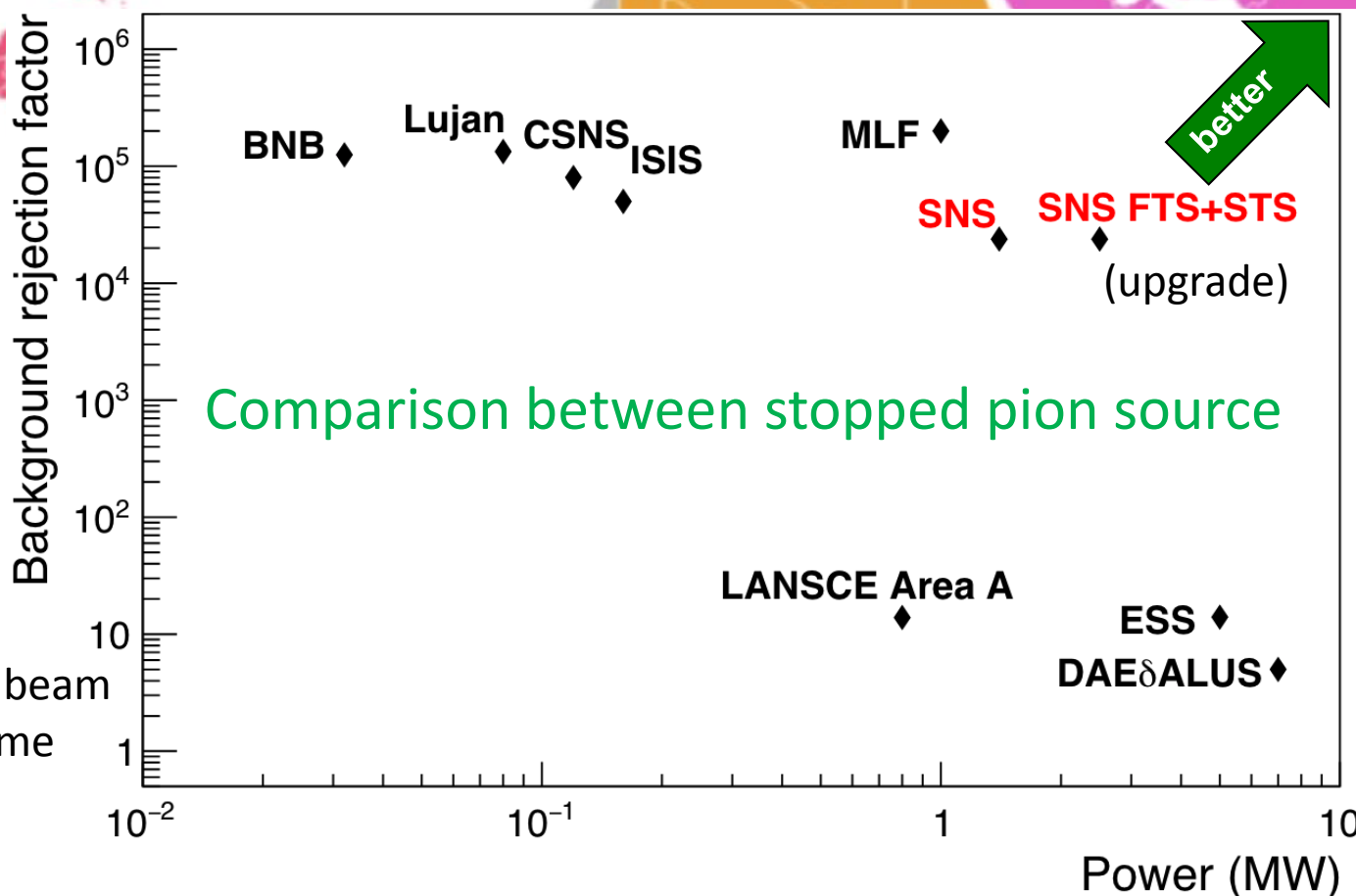
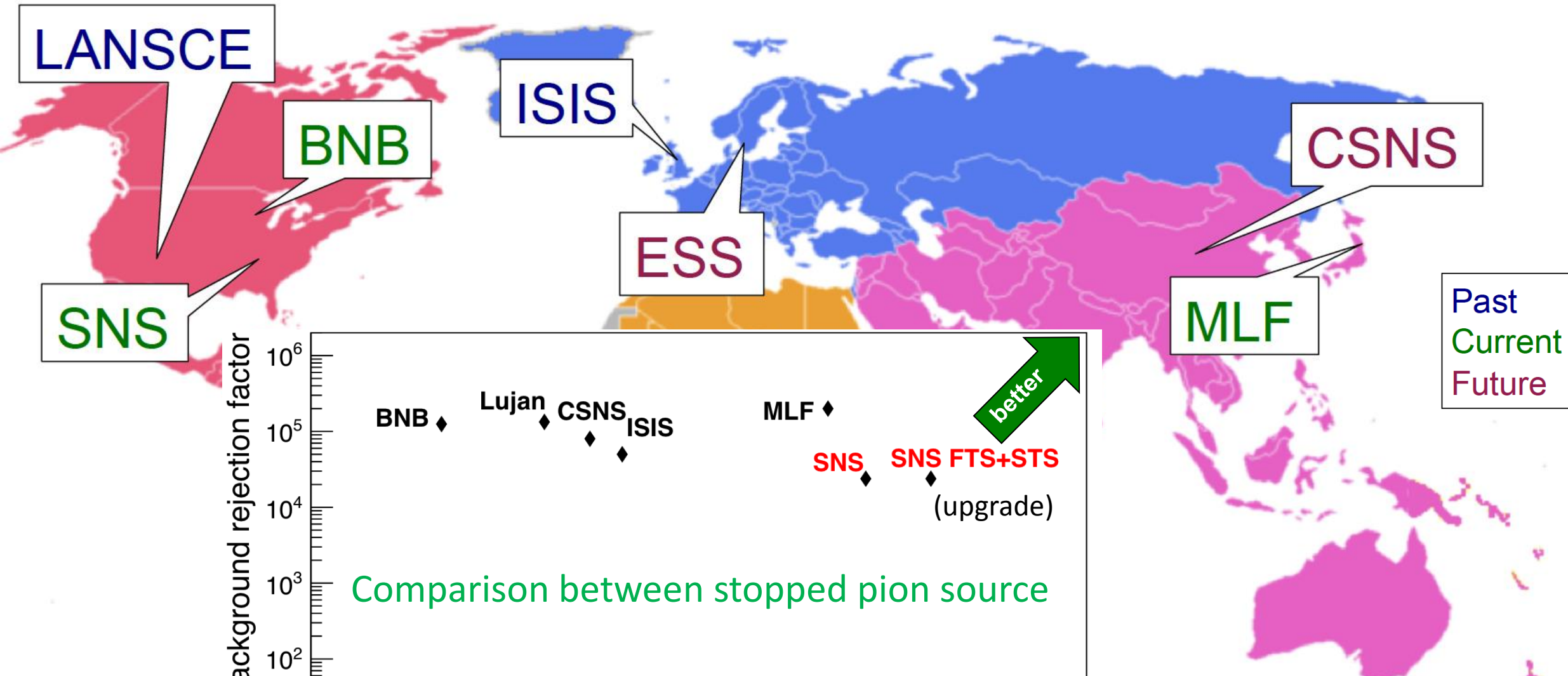


Neutrino sources

- The higher the E_ν , the easier to detect (But not too high to lose coherence)
- The higher the flux, the more events (but need to watch background)

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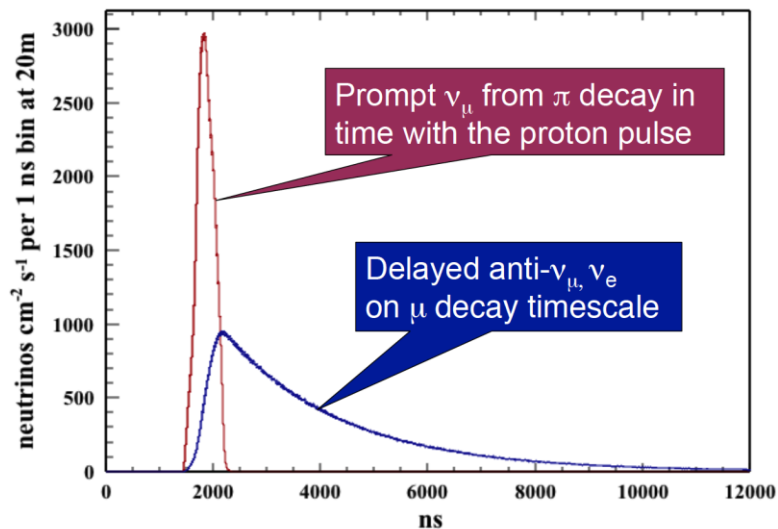
How narrow the beam pulse is in unit time



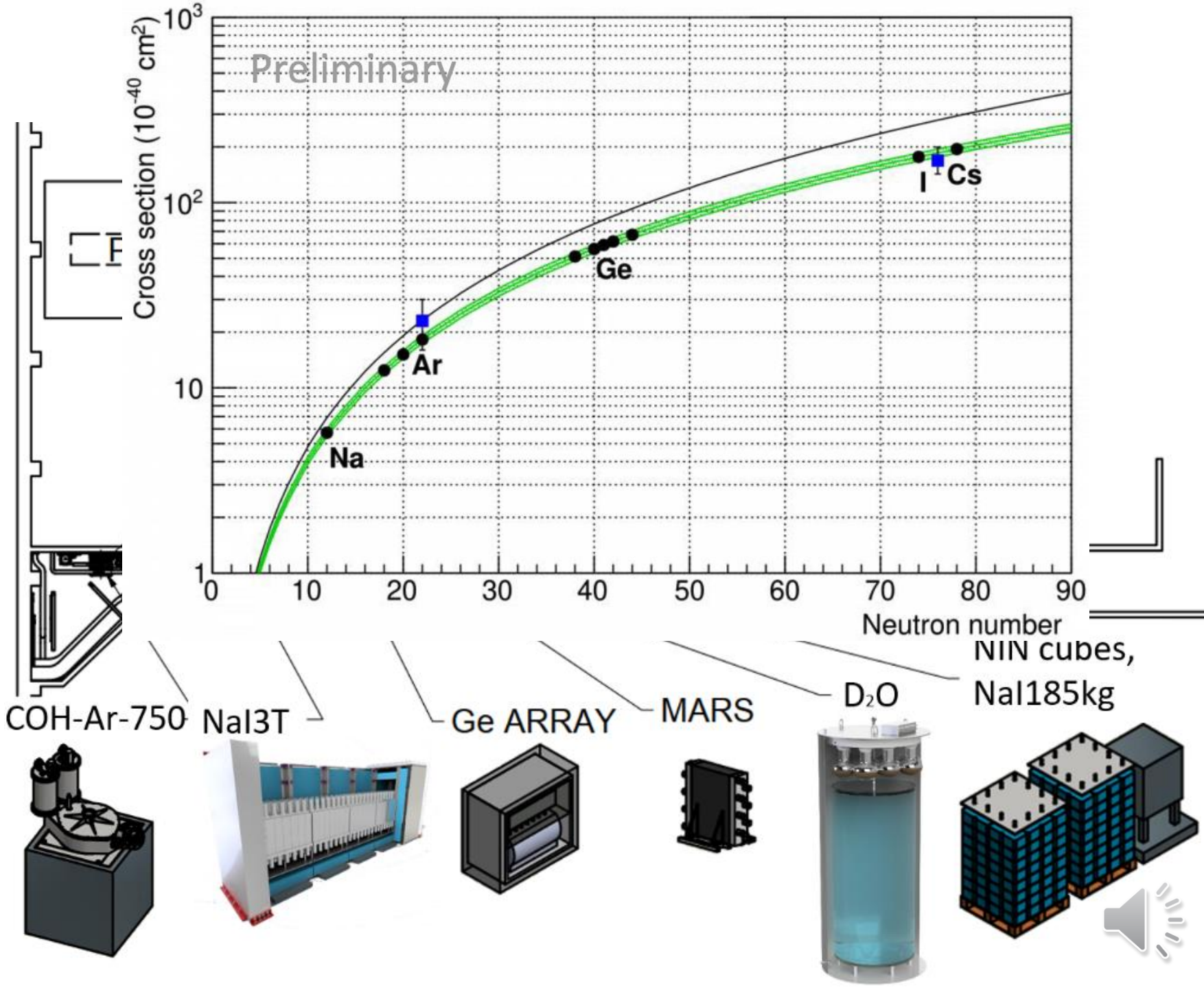
1 GeV protons, 600 ns pulse

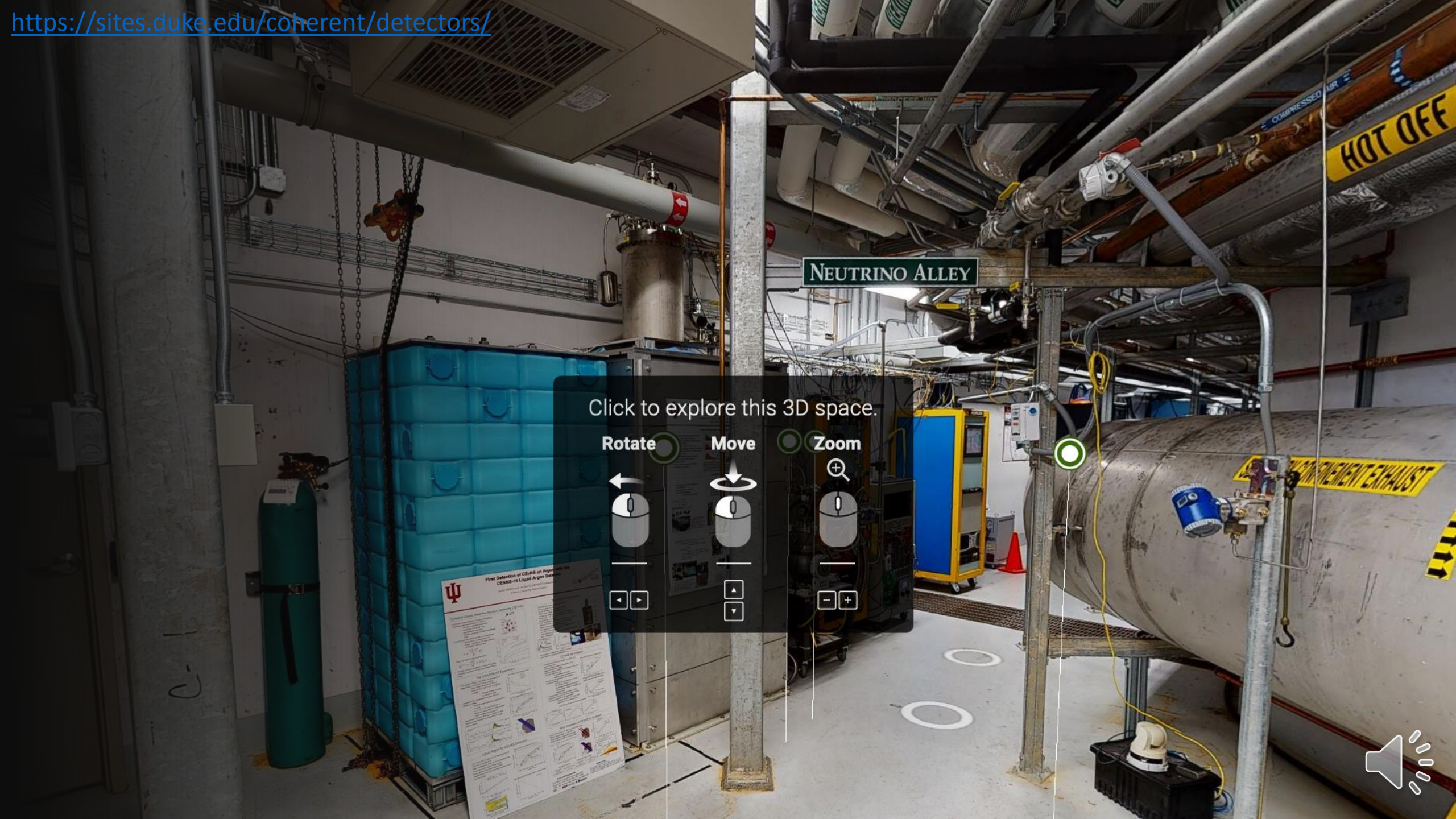
Time structure of the SNS source

60 Hz pulsed source ~1.3 MW



Background rejection factor $\sim \text{few} \times 10^{-4}$













NEUTRINO ALLEY





HOT OFF

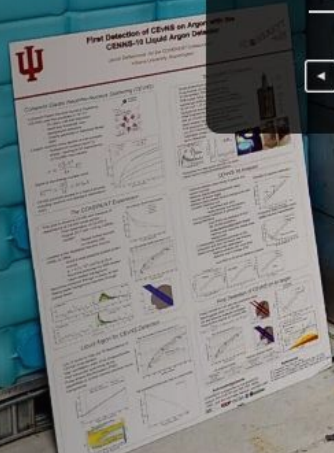
EXHAUST

Click to explore this 3D space.

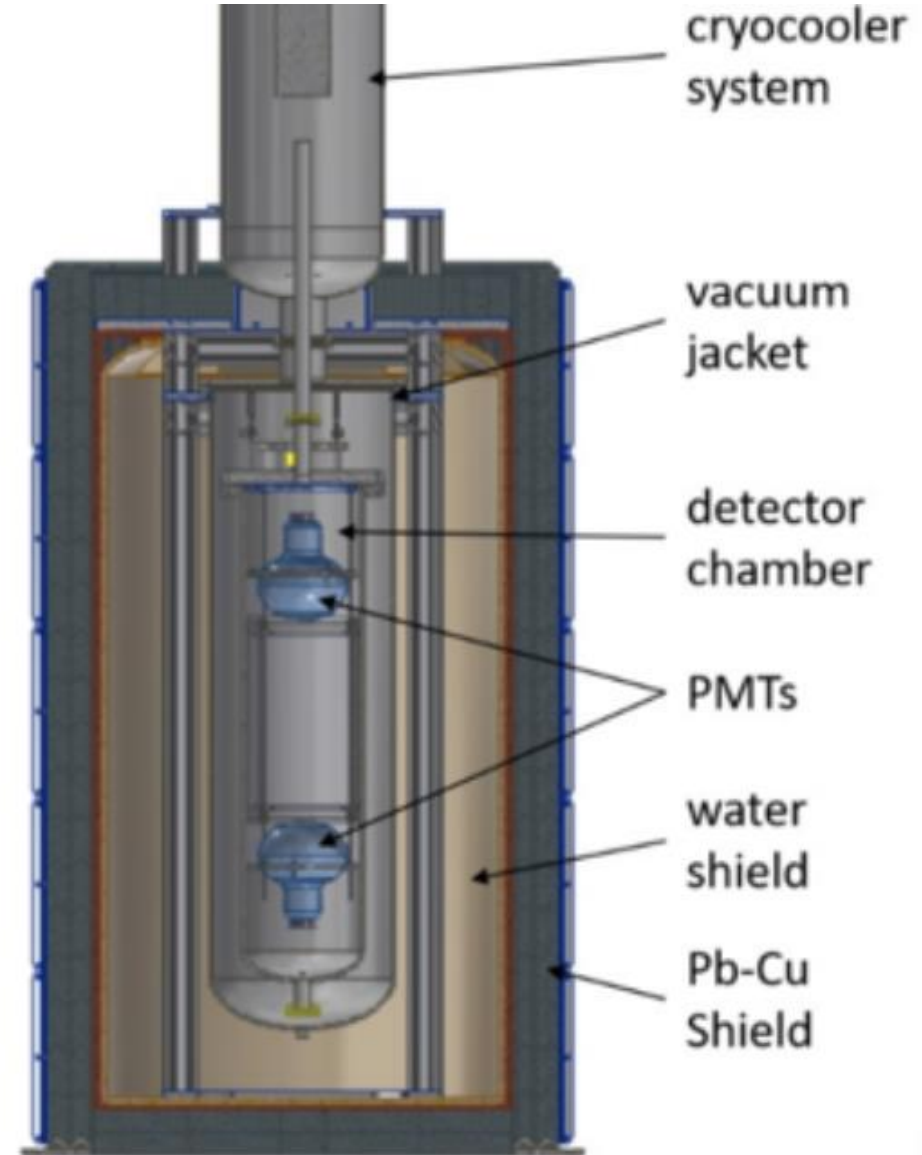
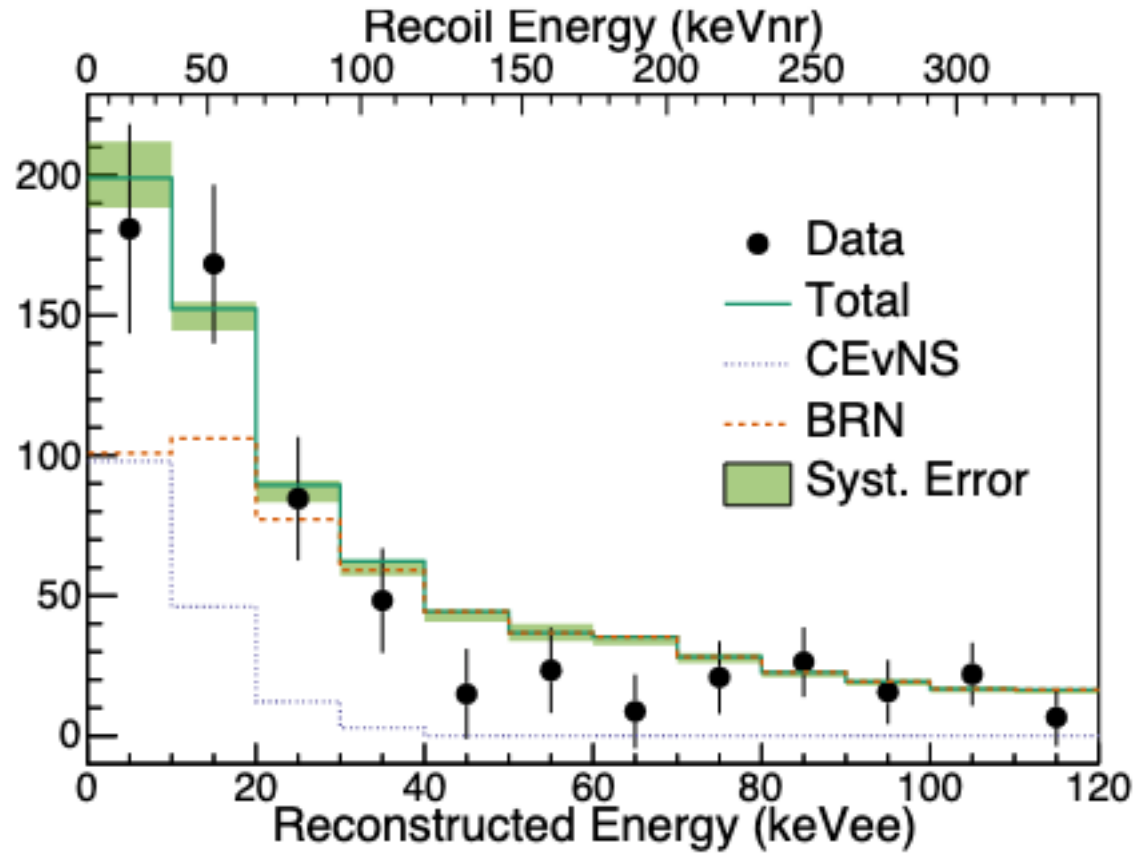
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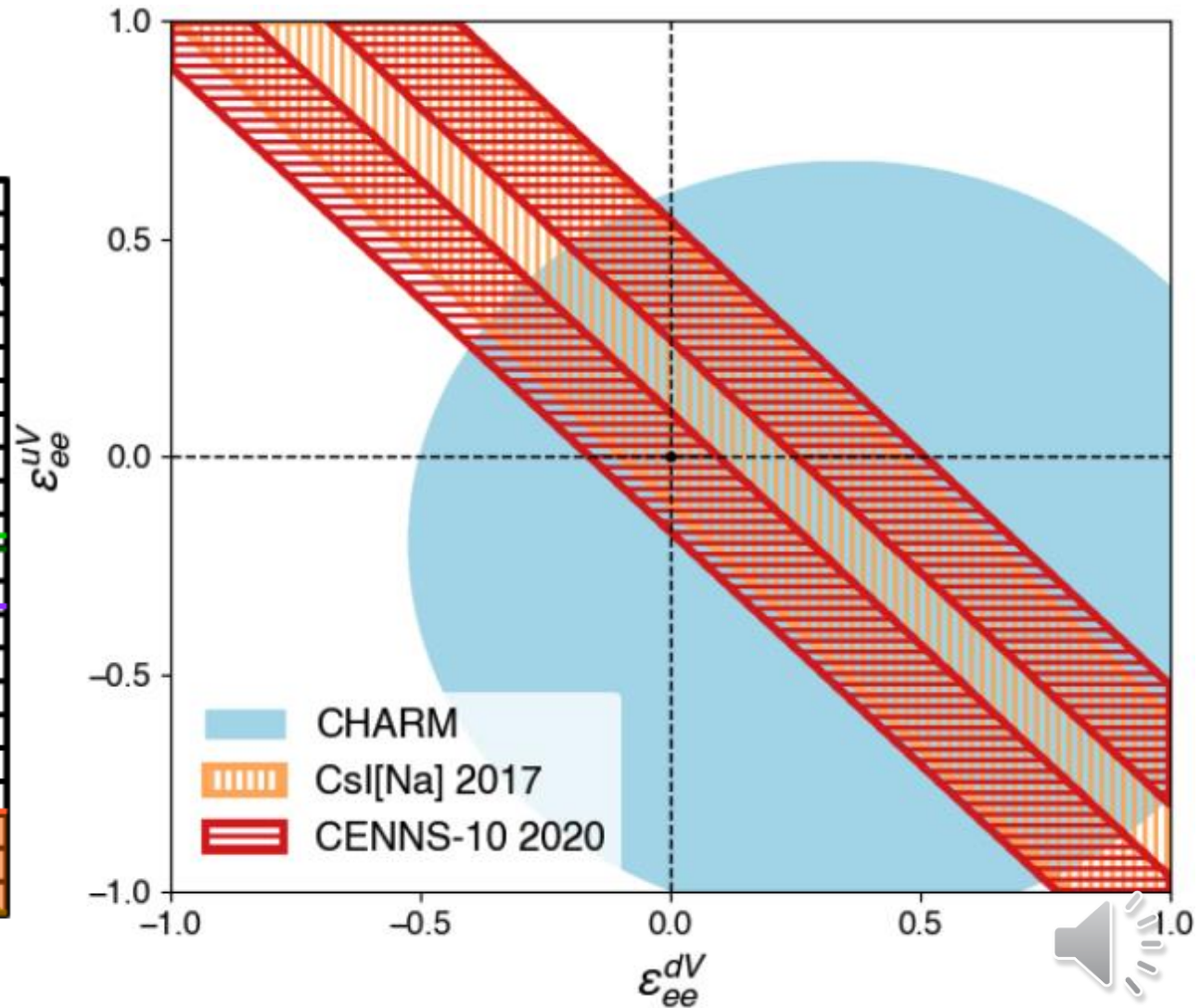
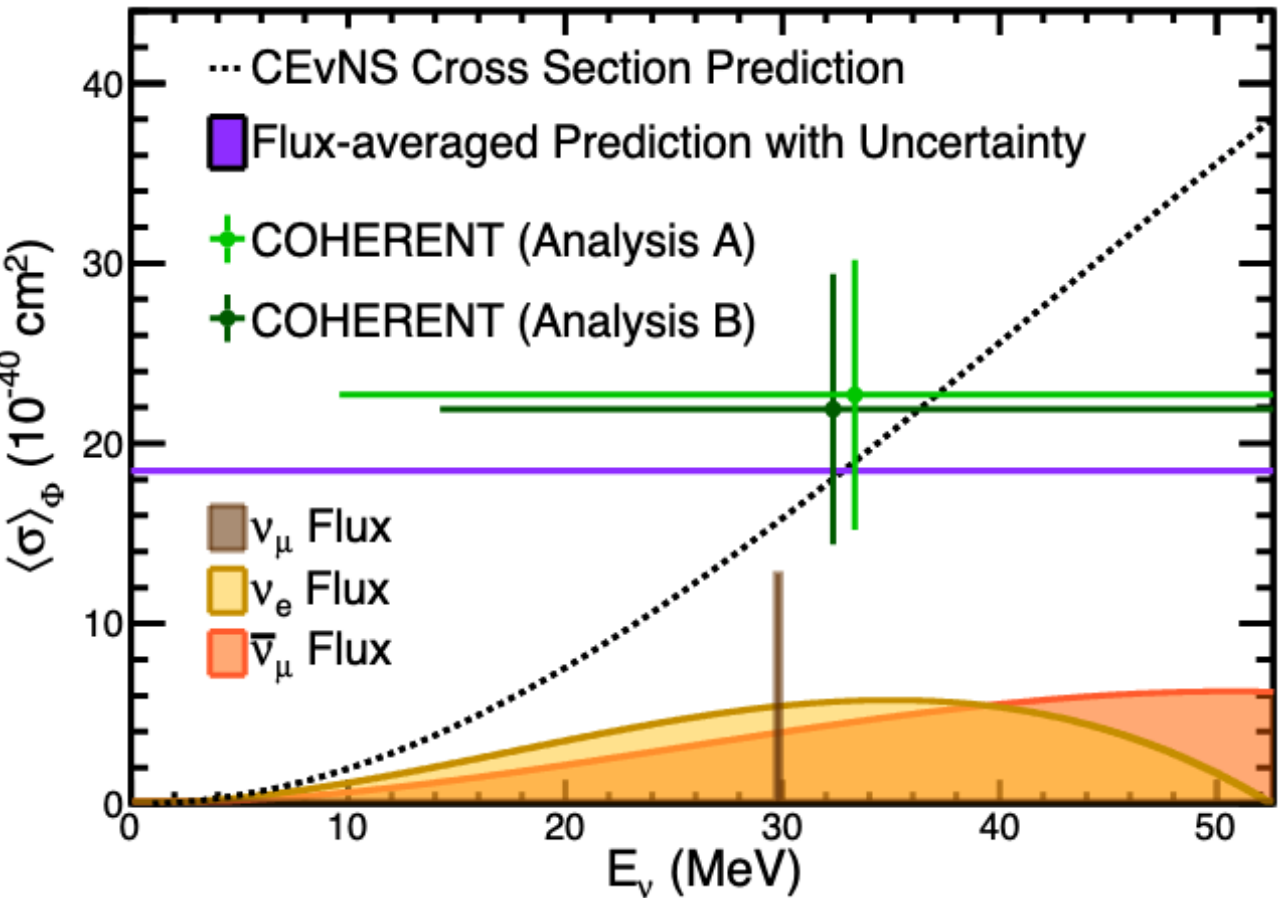
Zoom    



COH-Ar-10 single phase LAr scintillator



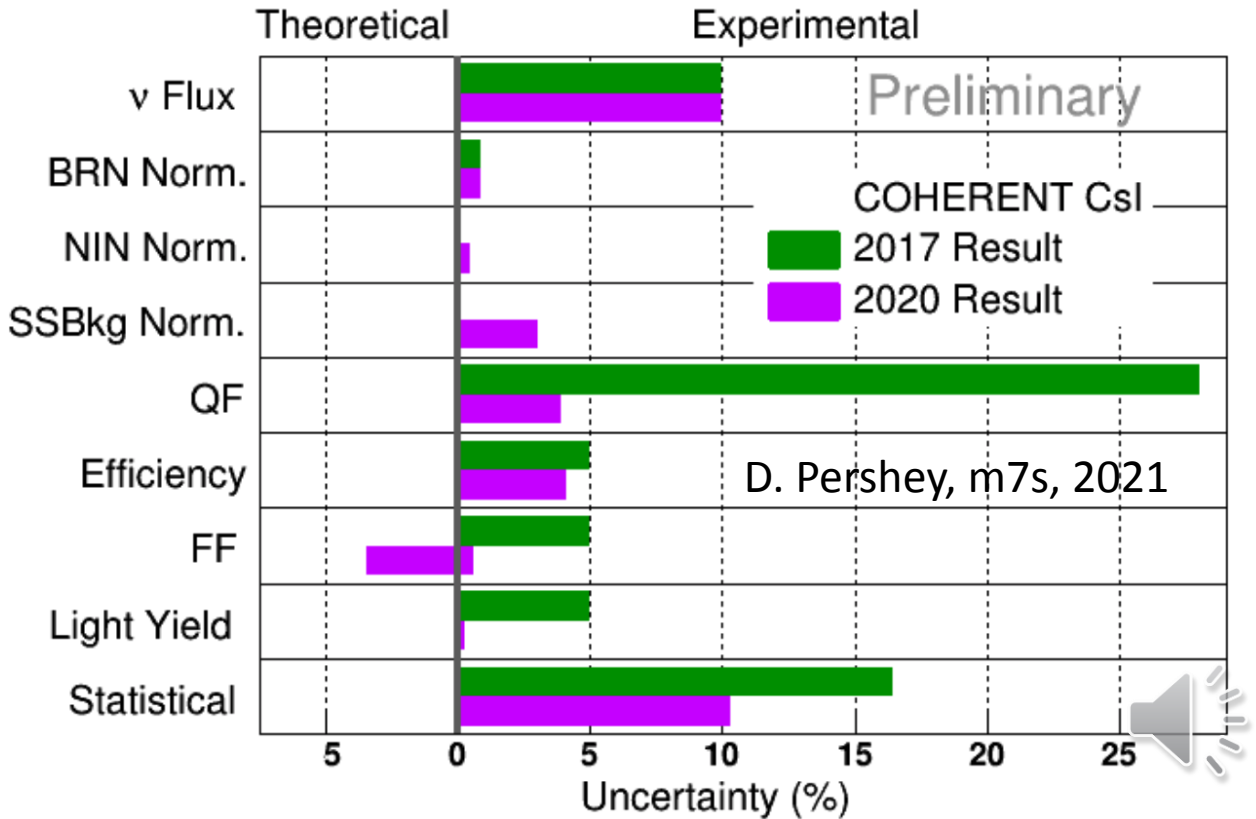
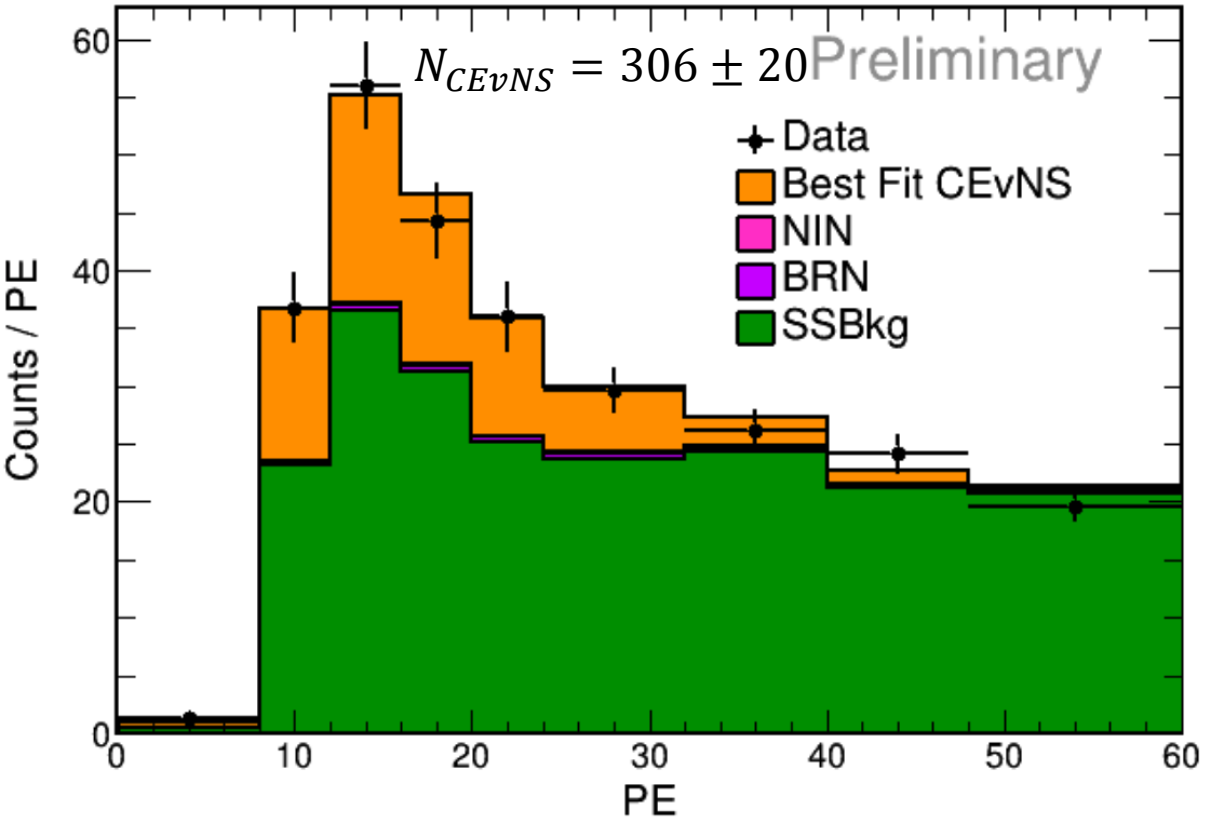
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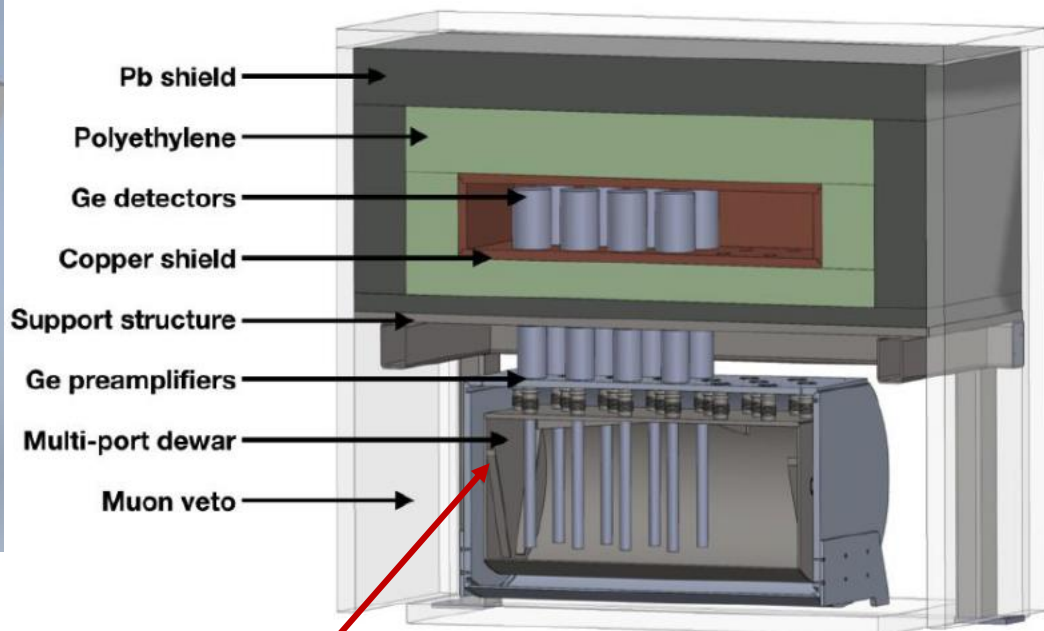
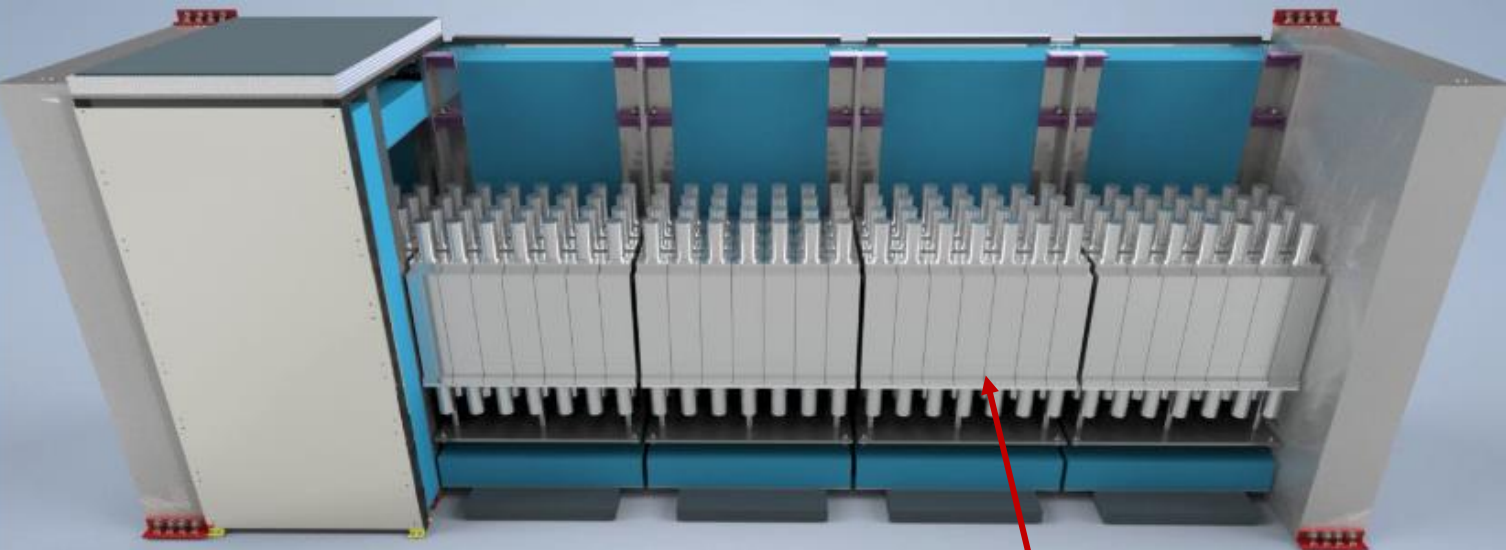


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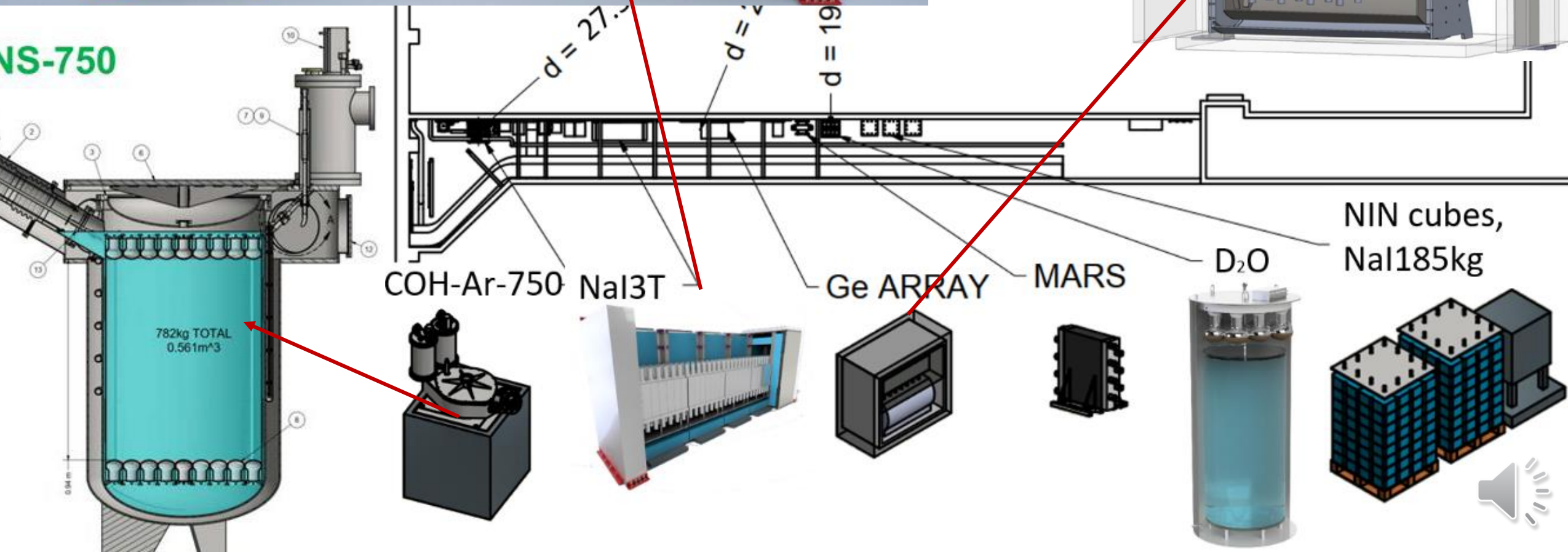


No-CEvNS rejection	11.6 σ
SM CEvNS prediction	$333 \pm 11(\text{th}) \pm 42(\text{ex})$
Fit CEvNS events	306 ± 20
Fit χ^2/dof	82.4/98
CEvNS cross section	$169^{+30}_{-26} \times 10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2$
SM cross section	$189 \pm 6 \times 10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2$





NS-750



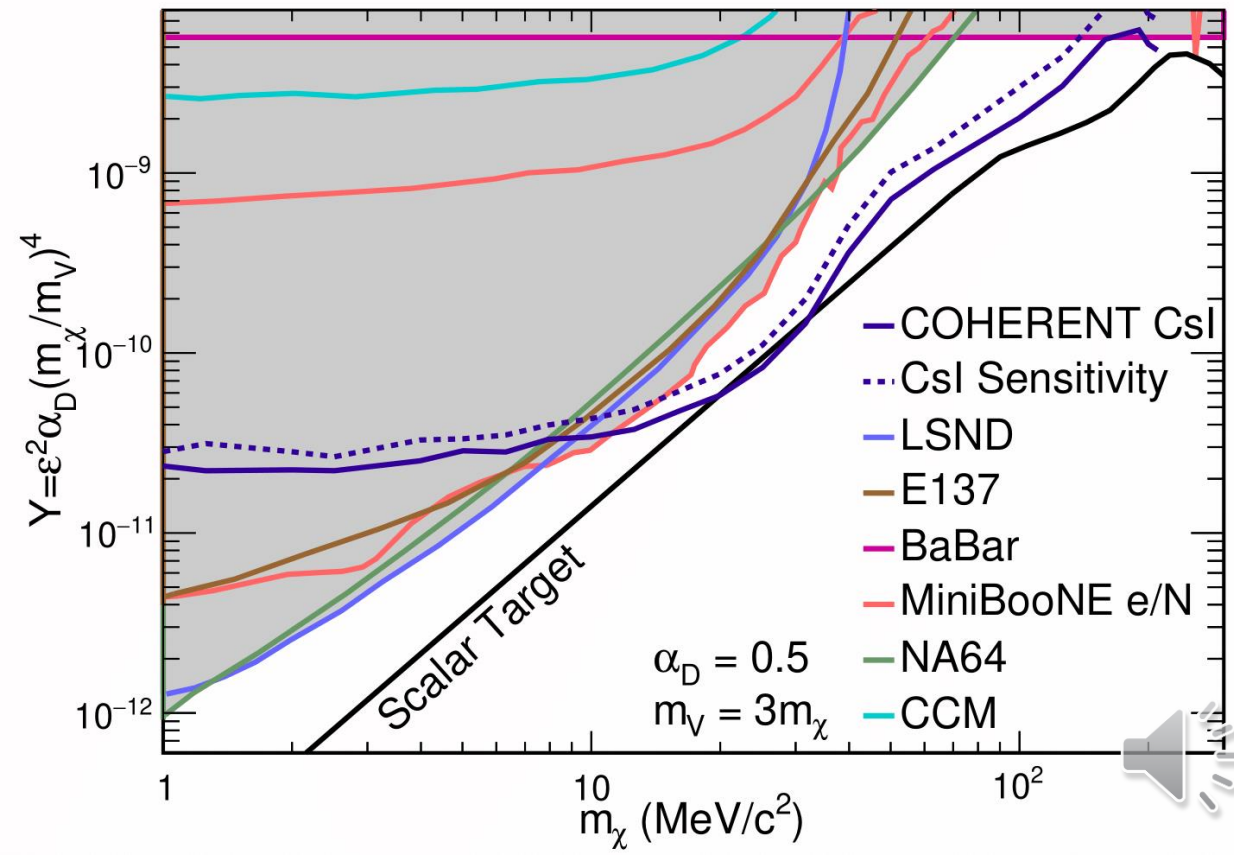
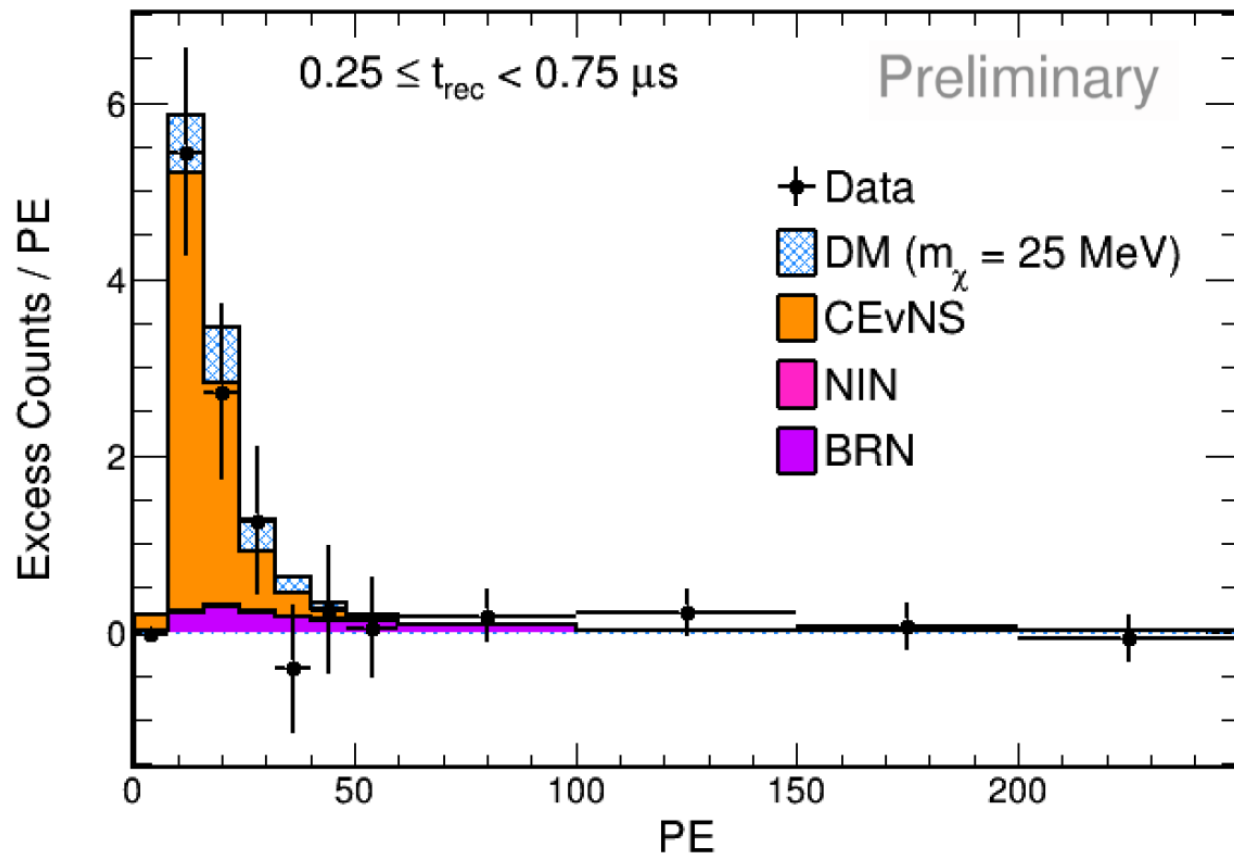
782kg TOTAL
0.561m³



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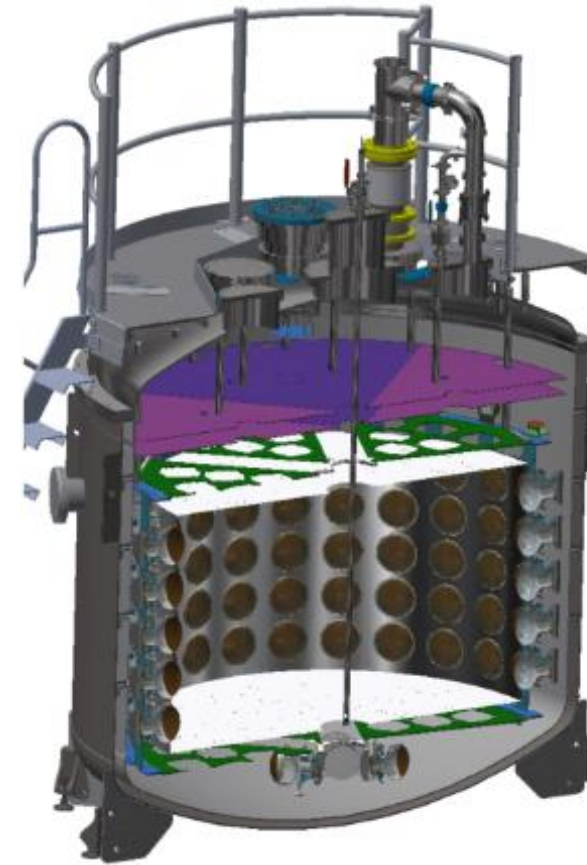
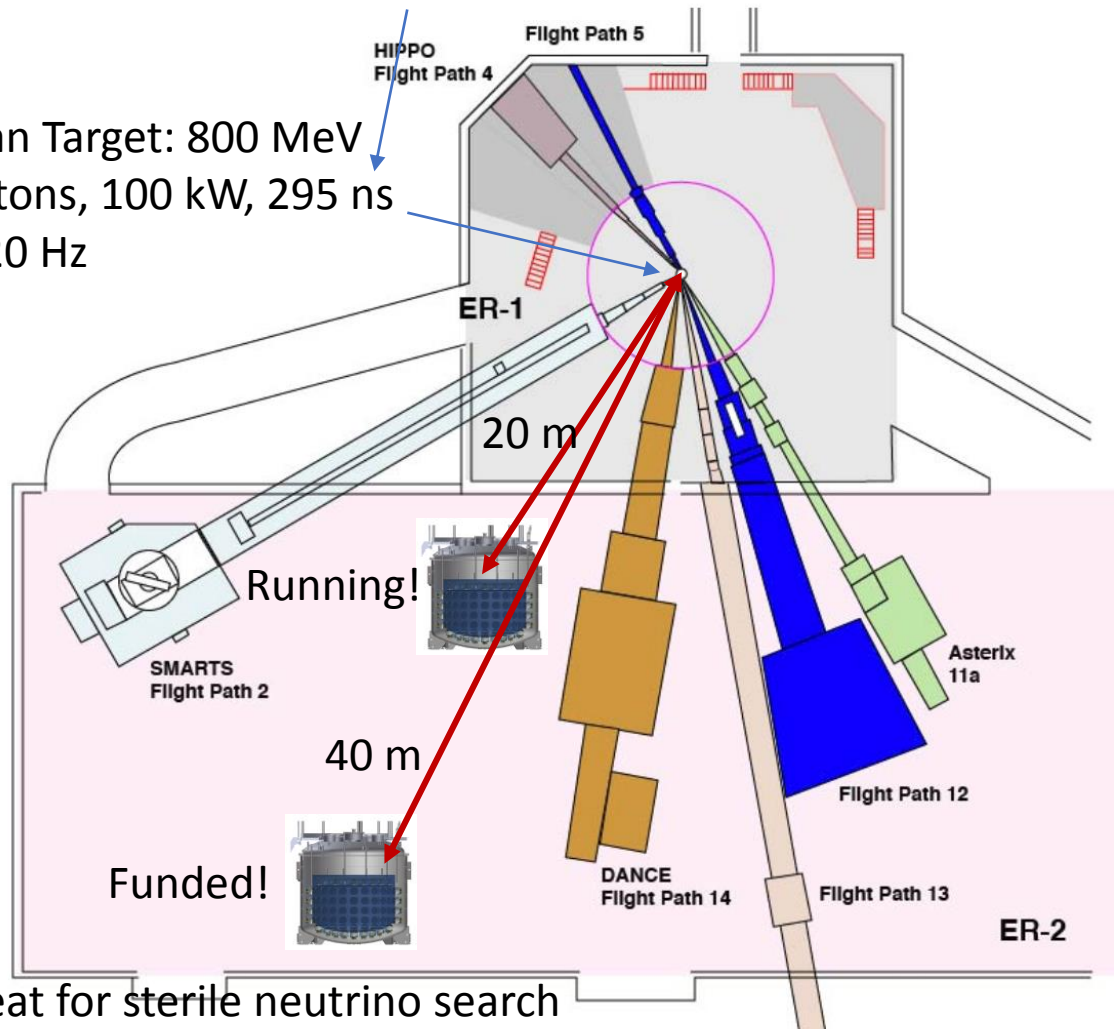


Coherent CAPTAIN-Mills (CCM) @ LANSCE

Excellent ambient background rejection power due to narrow beam pulses

- Muon neutrino flux: 4.74×10^5 nu/cm²/s @ 20 m
- Light yield: ~ 0.015 Photoelectrons/keVee

Lujan Target: 800 MeV protons, 100 kW, 295 ns @ 20 Hz



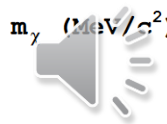
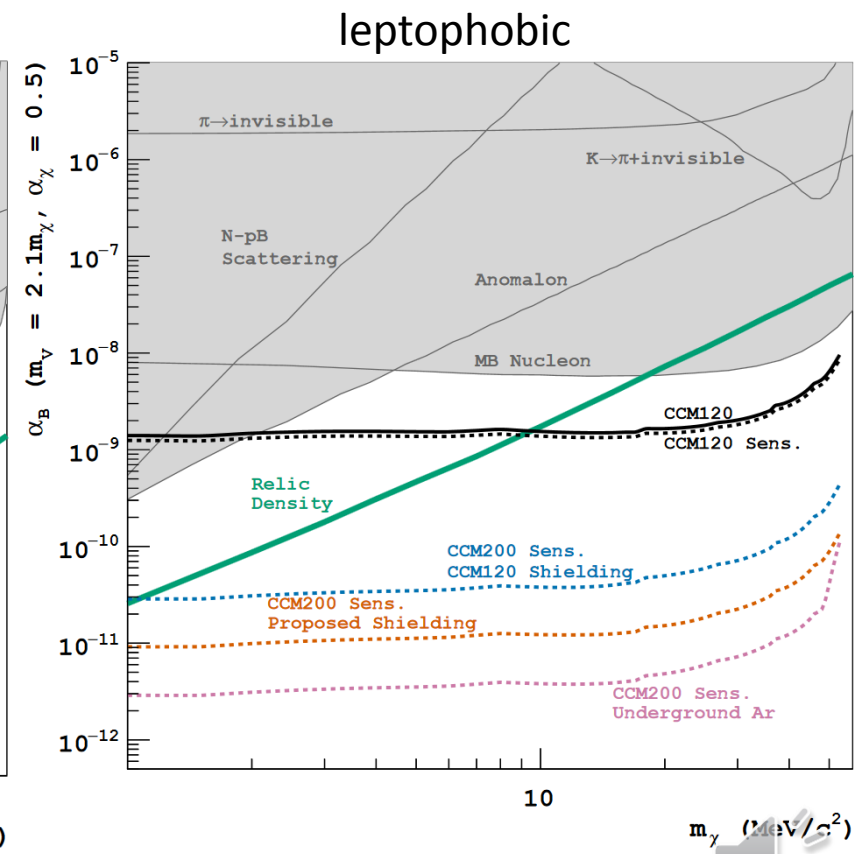
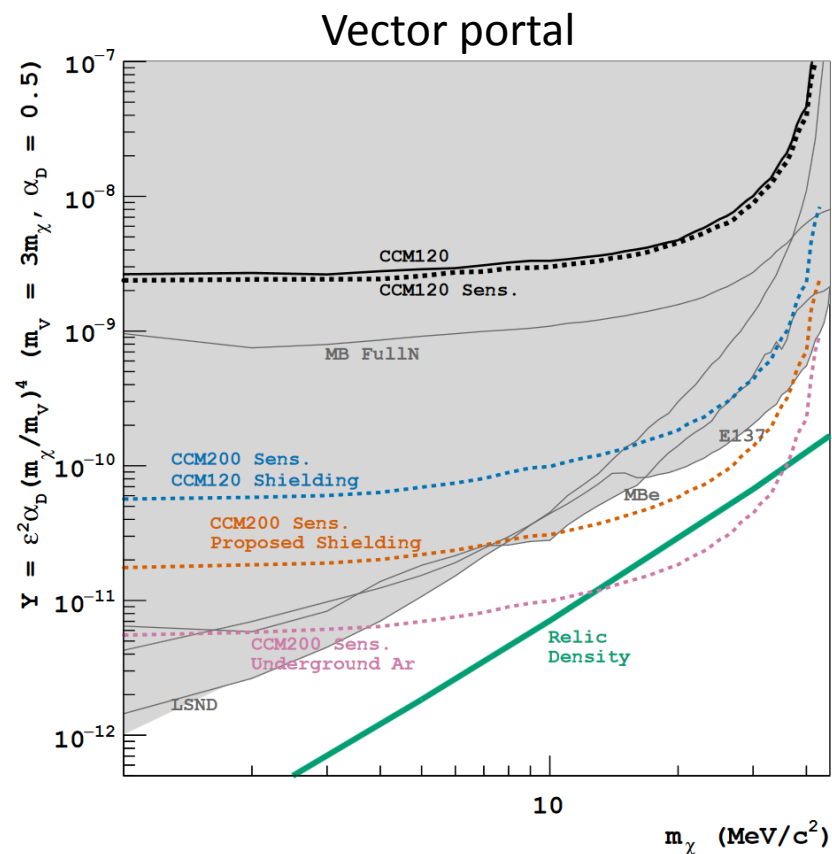
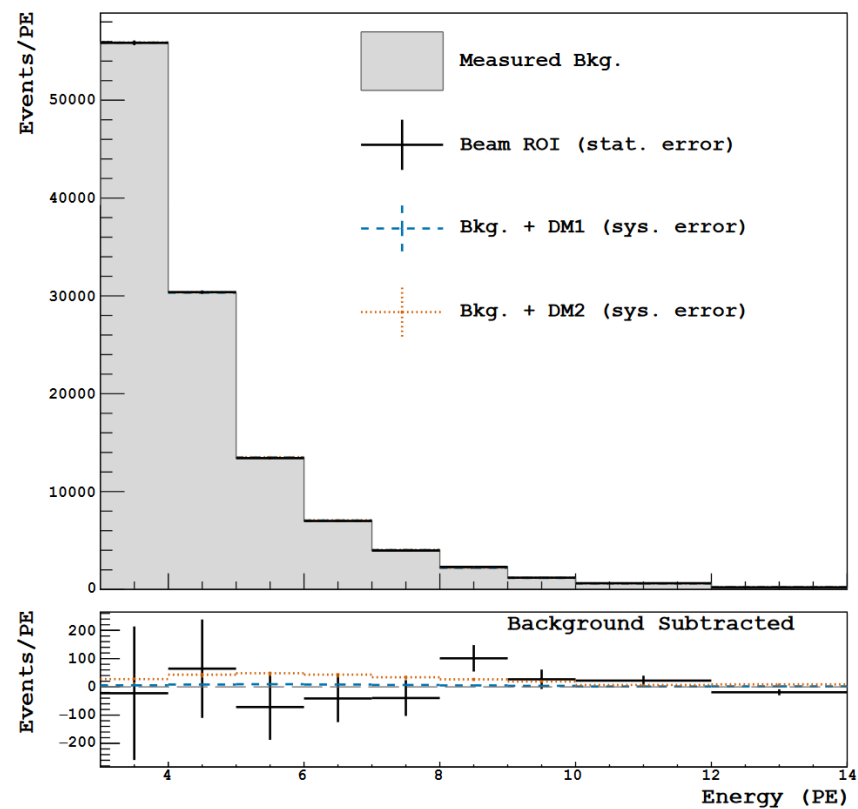
Large!

CCM: 10 ton Liquid Argon (LAr) detector instrumented with 200 8" PMT's, veto region, shielding, fast electronics.

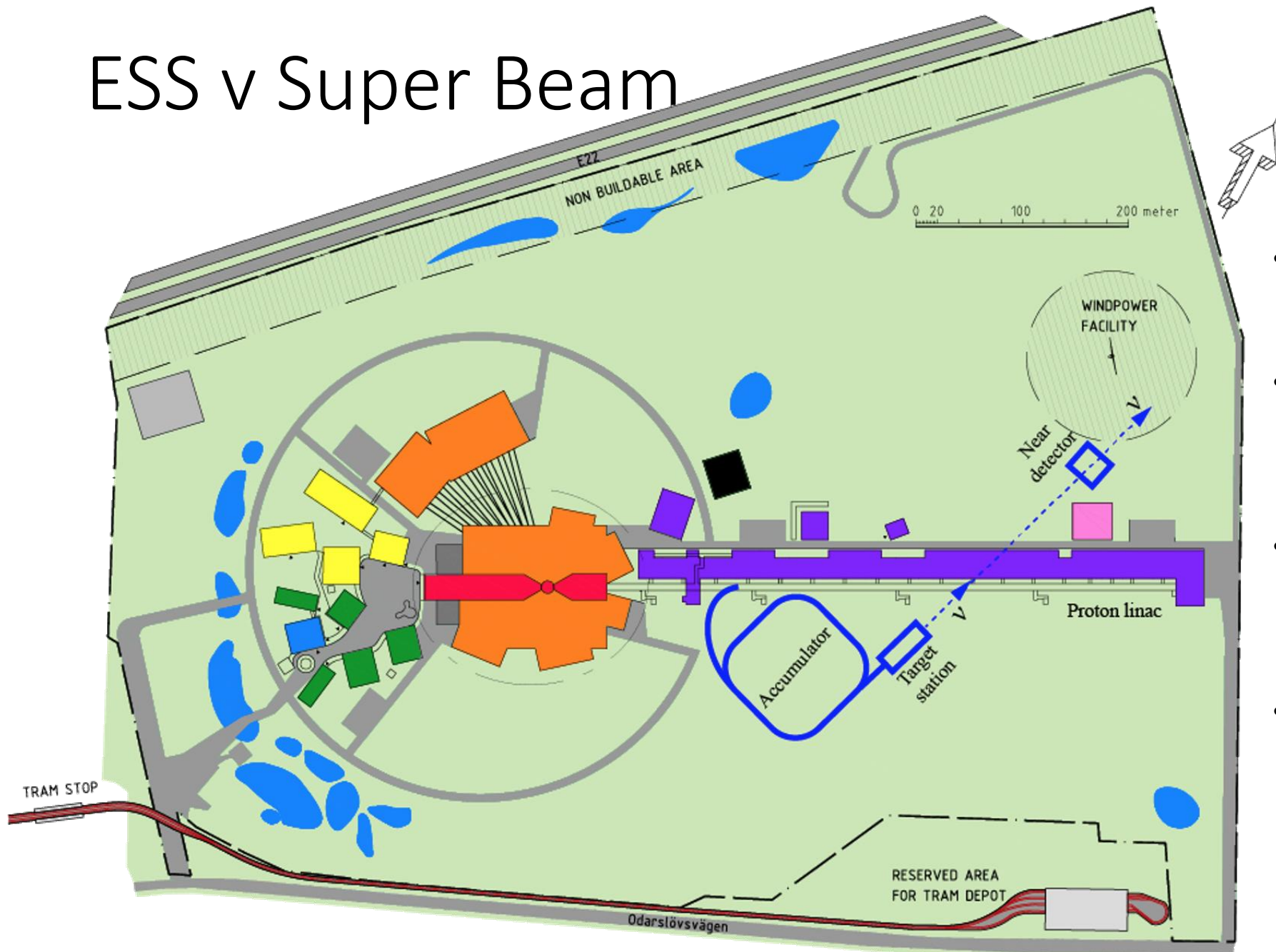


Dark matter search of CCM

arXiv:2105.14020



ESS v Super Beam



Compared to the SNS:

- More powerful beam
- Less narrower pulses

- Aim: add a neutrino facility on top of the ESS neutron one
- Add accumulator to compress to $1.3 \mu\text{s}$ the 2.86 ms proton pulses
- Underground near and far detectors for neutrino oscillations
- Can provide a muon beam for muon collider



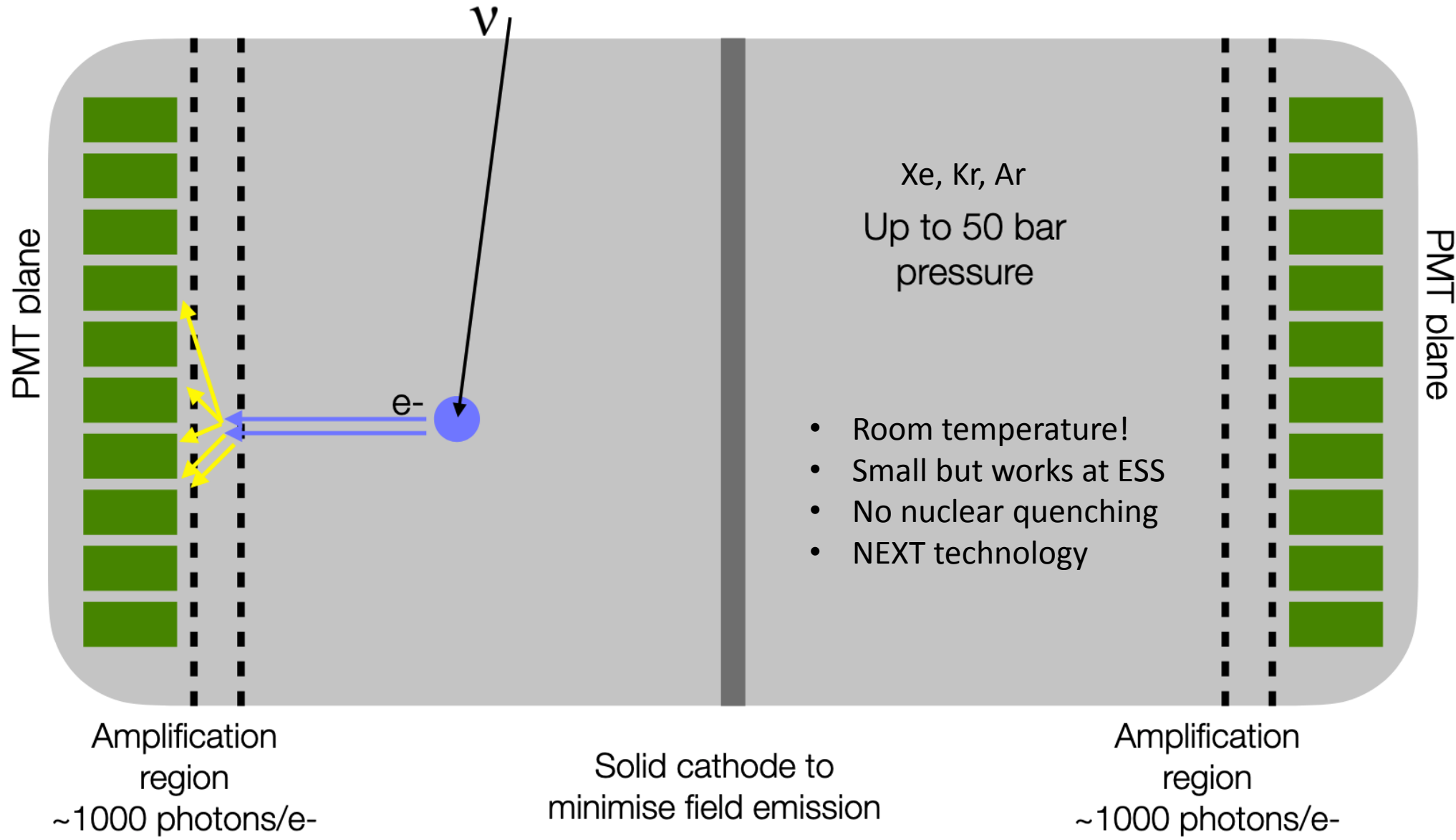
Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering at the European Spallation Source

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Detector Technology	Target nucleus	Mass (kg)	Steady-state background	E_{th} (keV _{ee})	QF (%)	E_{th} (keV _{nr})	$\Delta E/E$ (%) at E_{th}	E_{max} (keV _{nr})	CE ν NS NR/yr @20m, $>E_{th}$
Cryogenic scintillator	CsI	22.5	10 ckkd	0.1	~ 10 [71]	1	30	46.1	8,405
Charge-coupled device	Si	1	1 ckkd	0.007 (2e ⁻)	4-30 [97]	0.16	60	212.9	80
High-pressure gaseous TPC	Xe	20	10 ckkd	0.18	20 [104]	0.9	40	45.6	7,770
p-type point contact HPGe	Ge	7	15 ckkd	0.12	20 [118]	0.6	15	78.9	1,610
Scintillating bubble chamber	Ar	10	0.1 c/kg-day	-	-	0.1	~ 40	150.0	1,380
Standard bubble chamber	C ₃ F ₈	10	0.1 c/kg-day	-	-	2	40	329.6	515



Gaseous detector for Neutrino physics at the ESS (GaNESS)



Reactor CEvNS Efforts Worldwide

Low $E_\nu \rightarrow$ low E_{recoil}
 \rightarrow low threshold!
 \rightarrow low threshold!
 \rightarrow low threshold!

Close to continuously
 running core
 \rightarrow Shielding!
 \rightarrow Shielding!
 \rightarrow Shielding!

A lot more than stopped
 pion experiments!

- Ionization detector
 - HPGe
 - Si CCDs
 - Liquid noble gas
- Bolometers
- Scintillators
- Bubble chamber
- ...

Experiment	Technology	Location
CONNIE	Si CCDs	Brazil
CONUS	HPGe	Germany
MINER	Ge/Si cryogenic	USA
ν EON	Nal(Tl)	Korean
Nu-Cleus	Cryogenic CaWO_4 , Al_2O_3 calorimeter array	Europe
ν GEN	Ge PPC	Russia
RED-100	LXe dual phase	Russia
Ricochet	Ge, Zn bolometers	France
TEXONO	p-PCGe	Taiwan



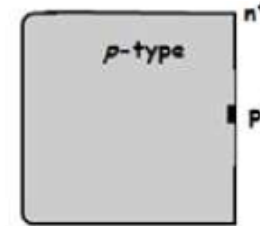
Comparison of the reactor sites

A. Lubashevskiy, TAUP 2021

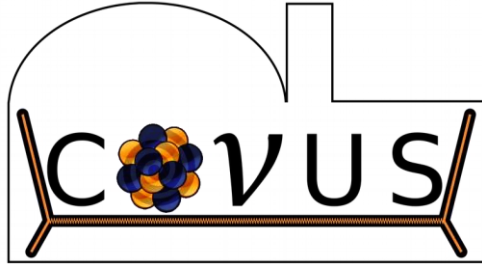
Experiment	Location	Neutrino flux $\nu/(\text{cm}^2 \text{ s})$	Overburden [m w. e.]
νGeN	KNPP, Russia	$>5 \times 10^{13}$	~ 50
CONUS	Brokdorf, Germany	2.4×10^{13}	10-45
TEXONO	Kuo-Sheng NPP, Taiwan	6.4×10^{12}	~ 30
RED-100	KNPP, Russia	1.7×10^{13}	$>50?$
CONNIE	Angra 2, Brazil	6.8×10^{12}	0
RICOCHET	ILL, France	2×10^{12}	~ 15
MINER	Texas A&M, USA	2×10^{12}	~ 5
NUCLEUS	Chooz, France	2×10^{12}	~ 3
Mark-I?	Dresden-II, USA	8.1×10^{13}	6?
NEON	Yeonggwang, Korea	7.1×10^{12}	~ 20



Point-contact Ge detector



- large mass
- tiny capacitance



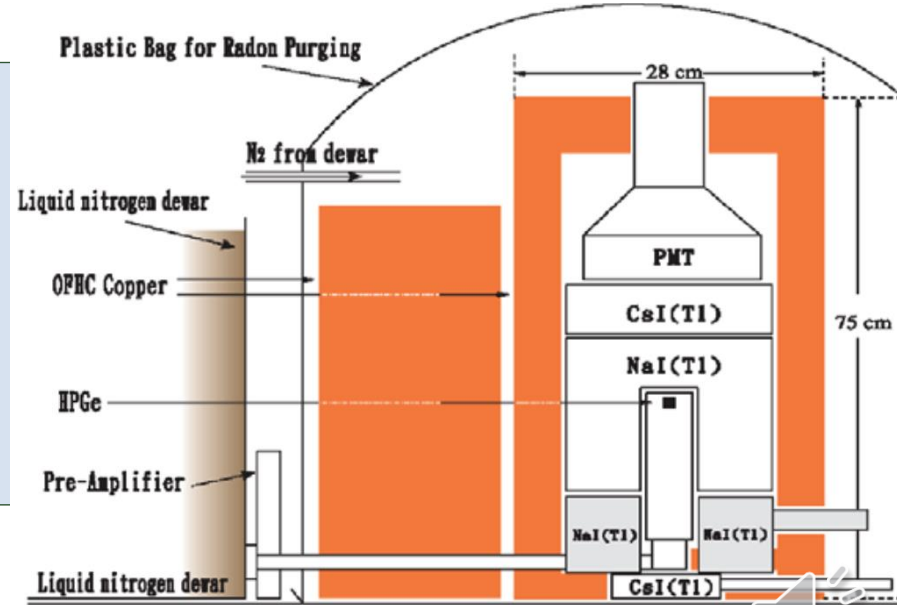
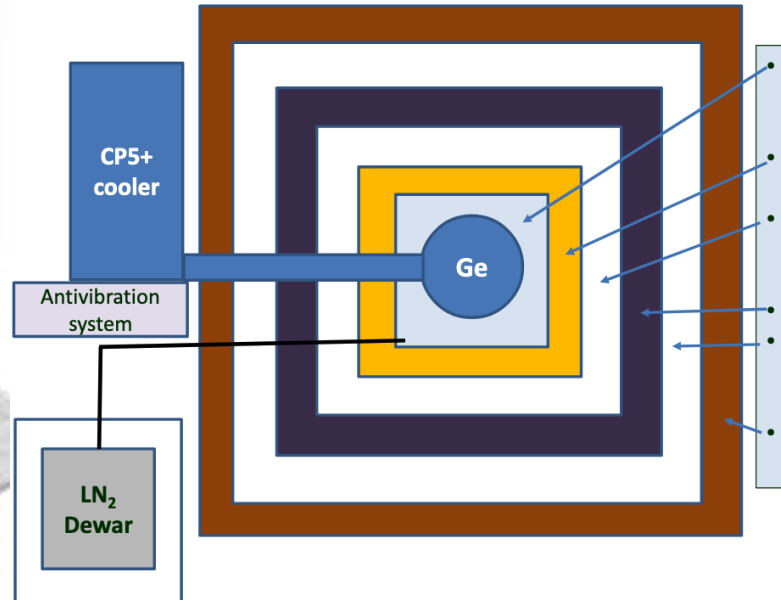
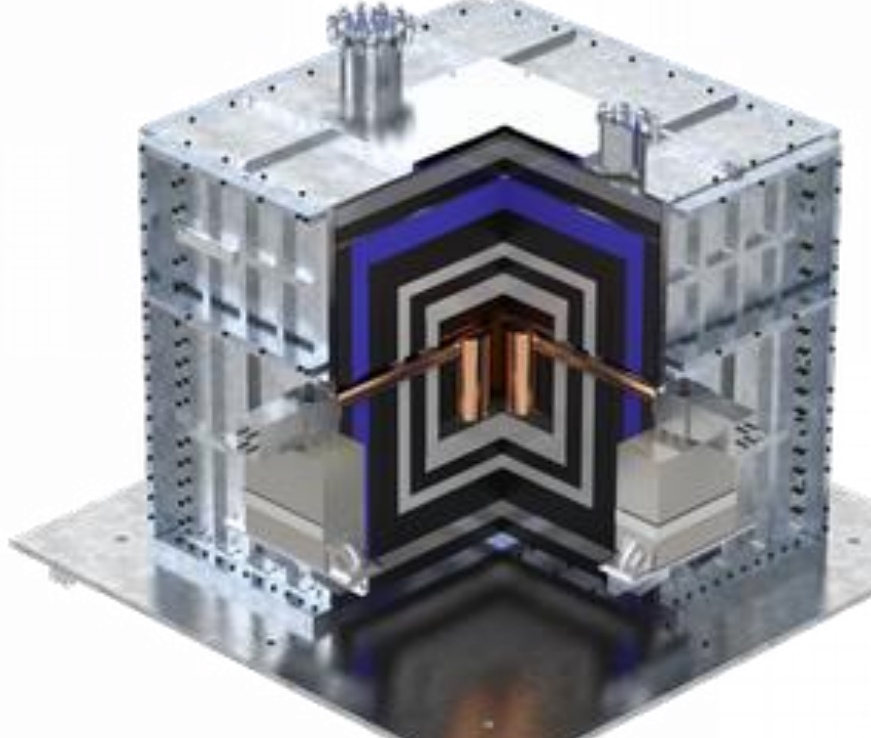
- Mass: 4 x ~1 kg
- Threshold: 300 eVee



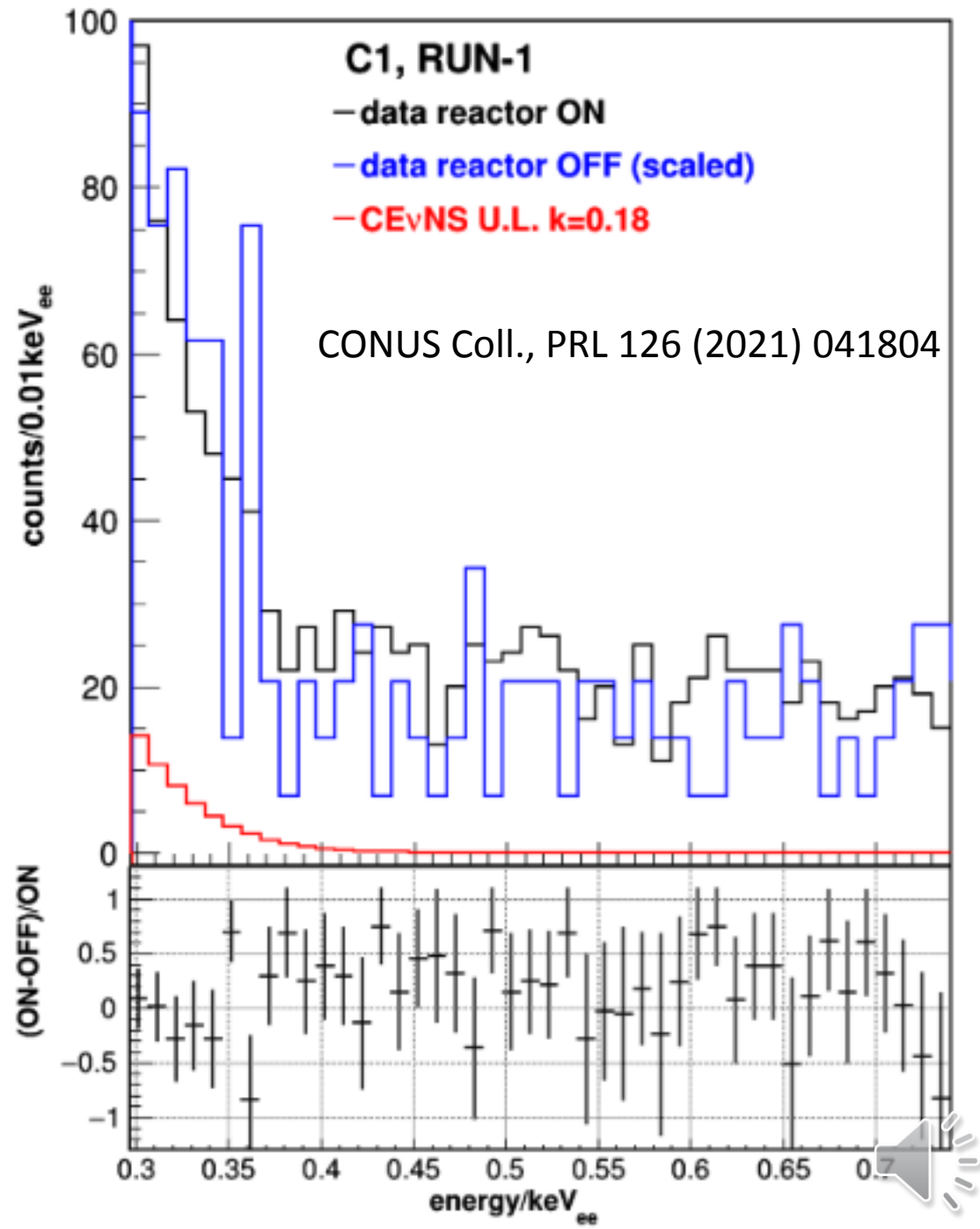
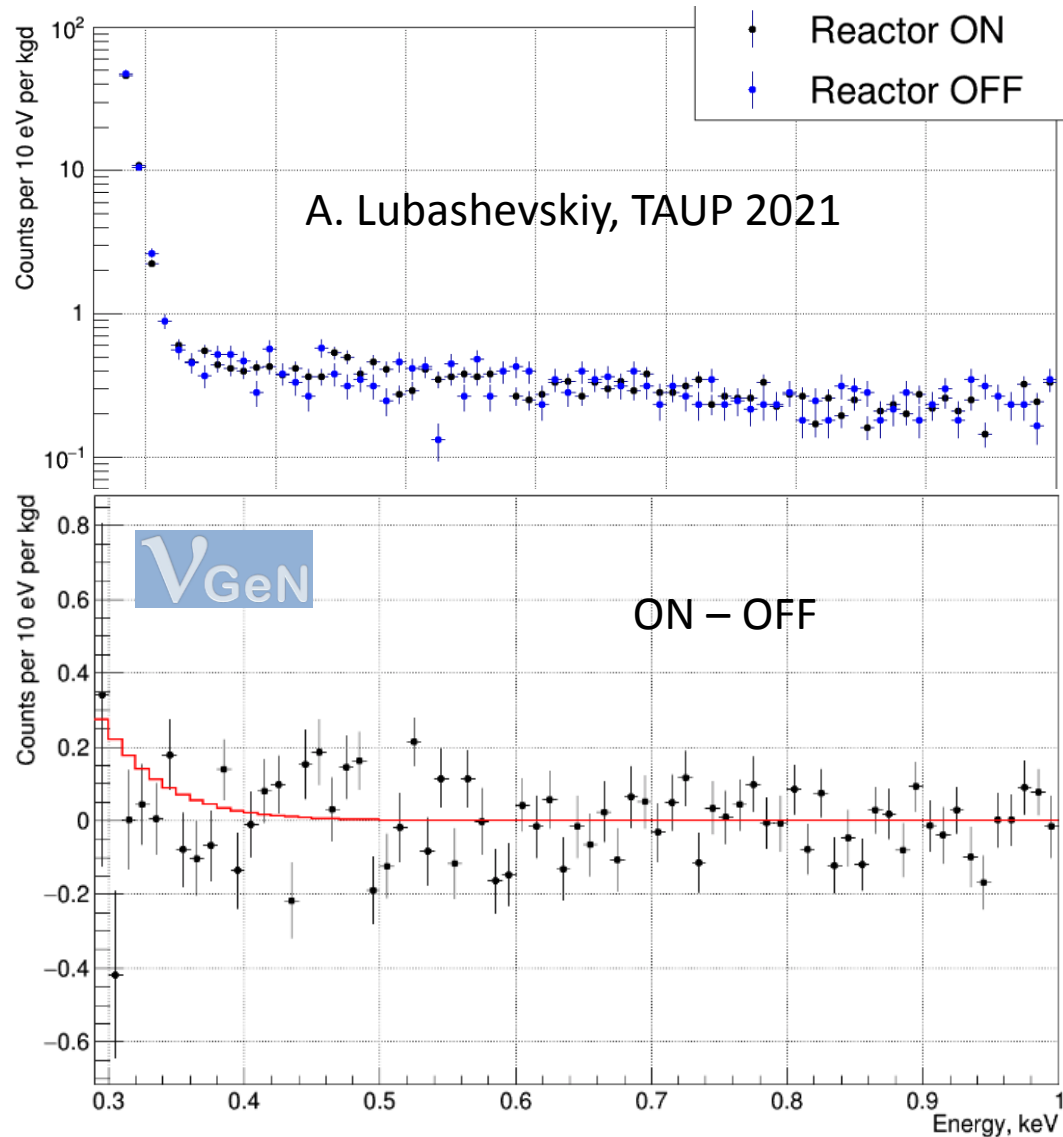
- Mass: 4 x ~1 kg
- Threshold: 250 eVee



- Mass: 1.43 kg
- Threshold: 200 eVee



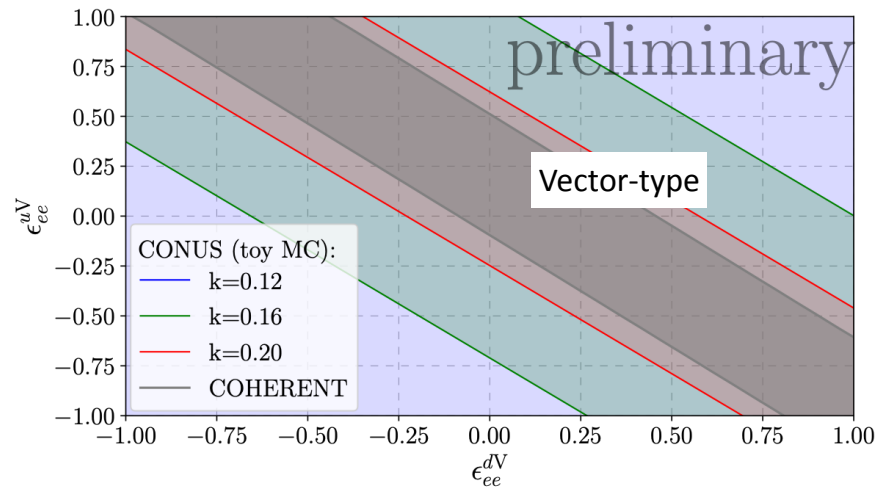
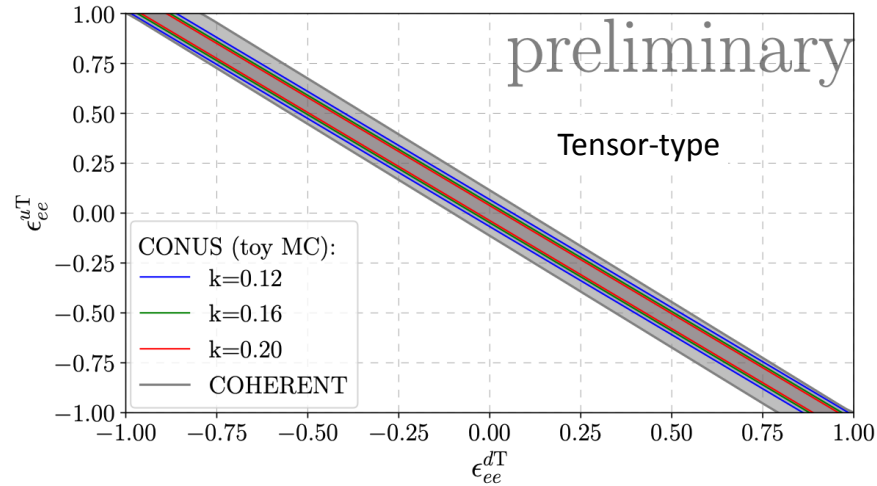
Ge achievement



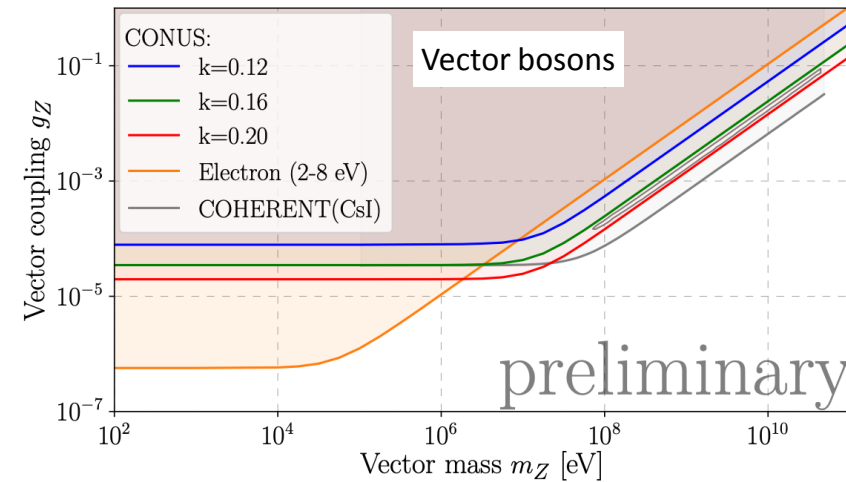
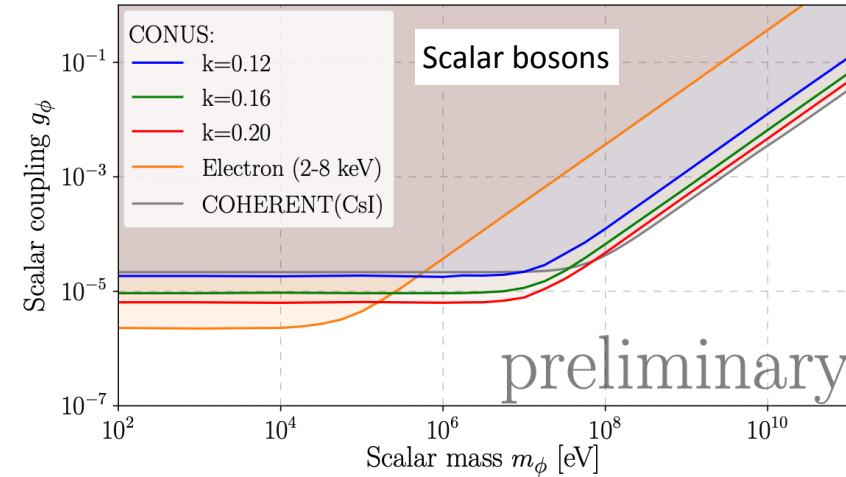
Sensitivities of CONUS

Publication in preparation!

Non-standard interaction (NSI) operators



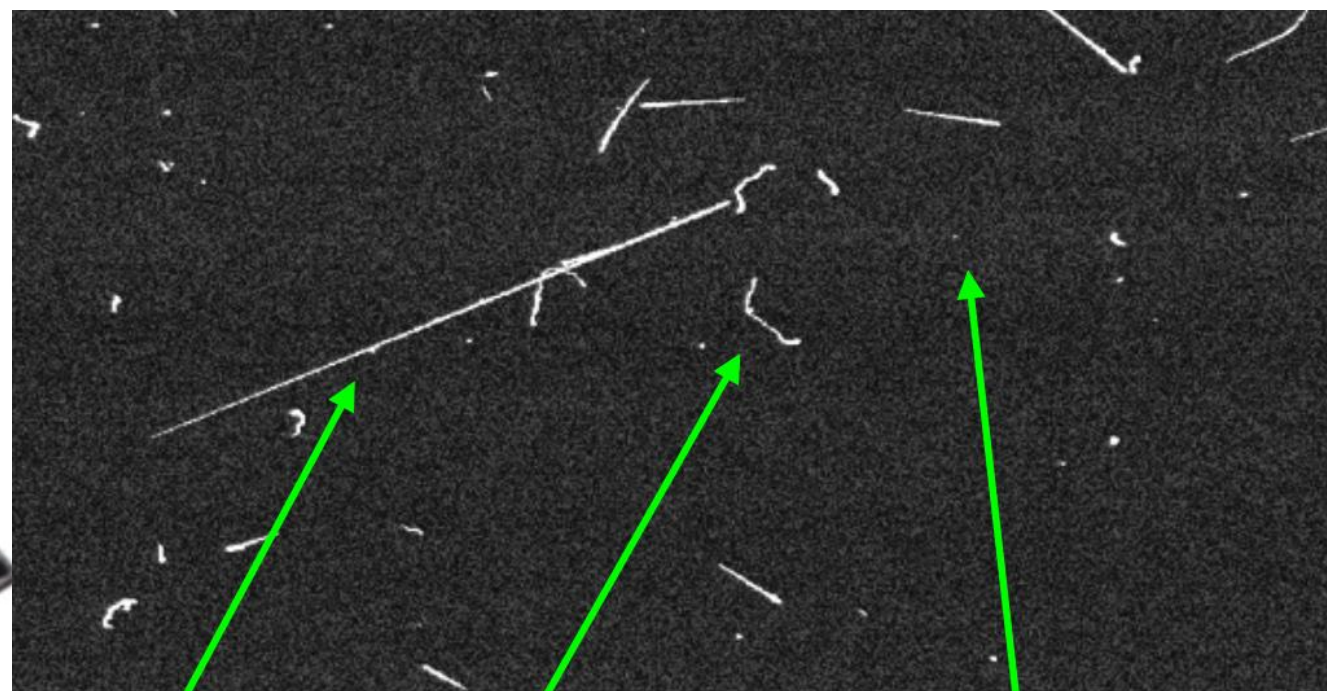
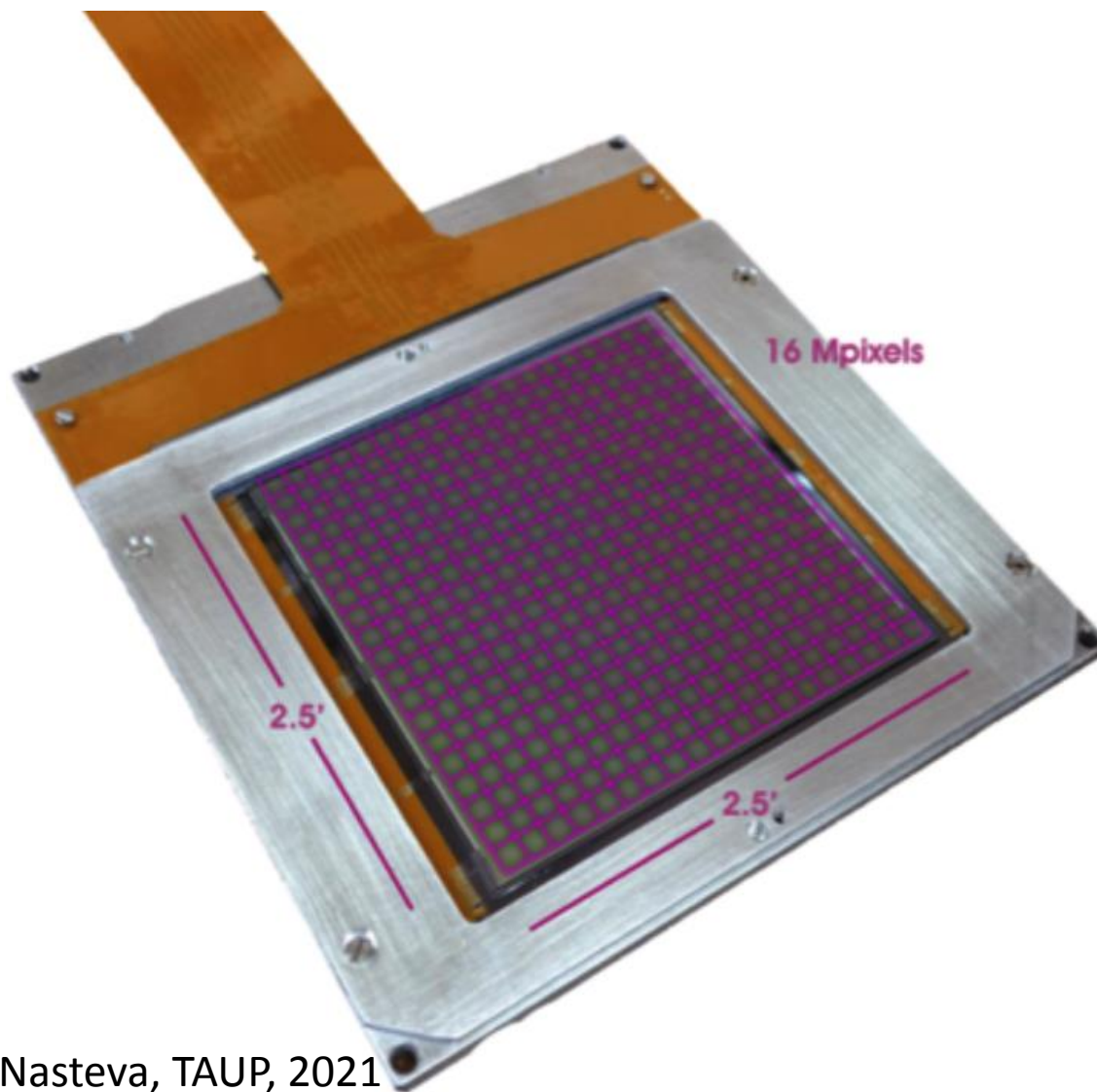
Dark matter search



Charge-coupled device (CCD), Si

Pixelized Si wafer:

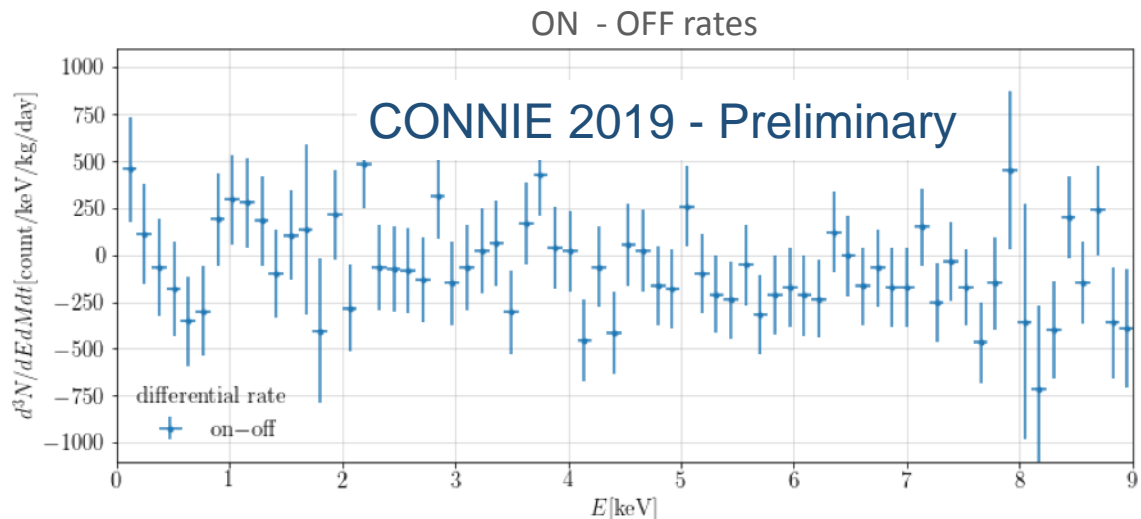
- Lower threshold than Ge
- Particle identification
- Less massive than Ge



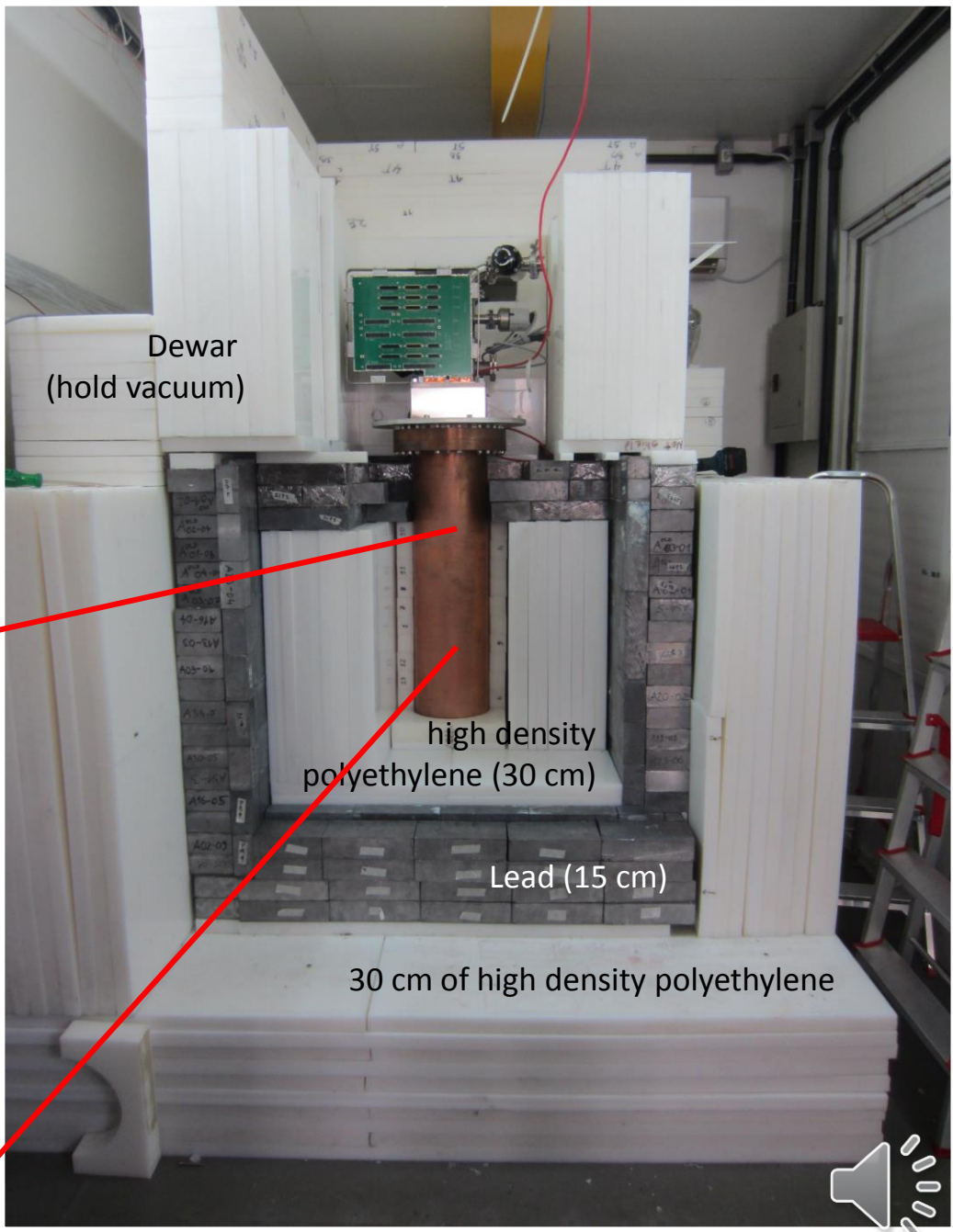
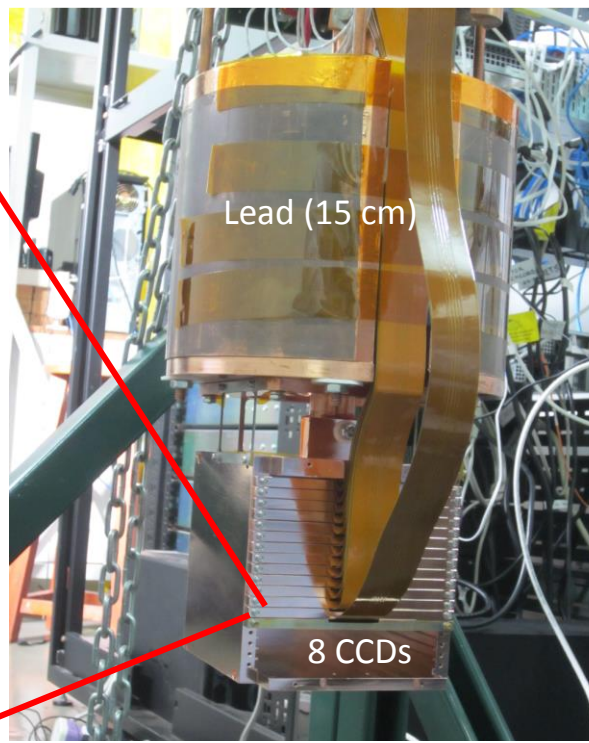
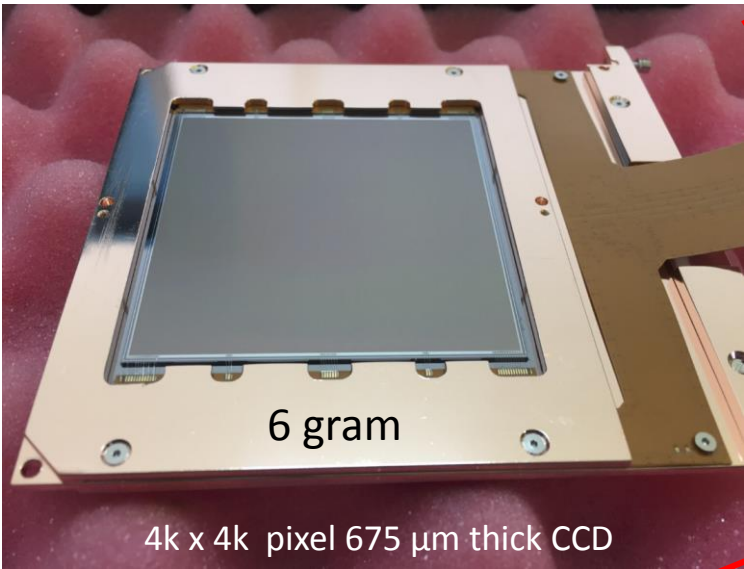
muon

electron

diffusion-limited hits
photons/neutrinos



Irina, TAUP, 2021



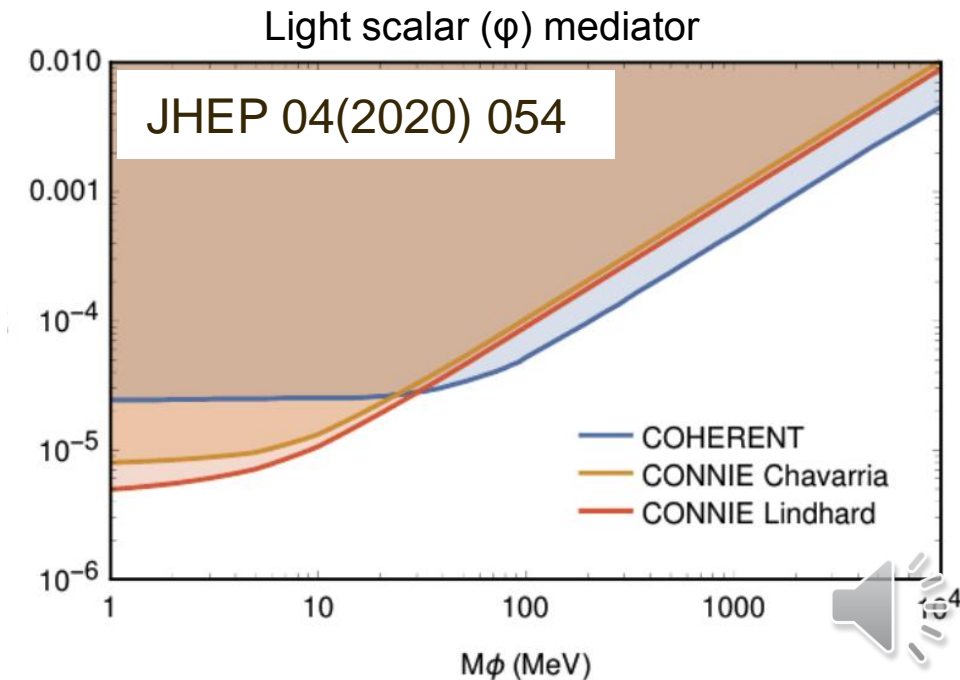
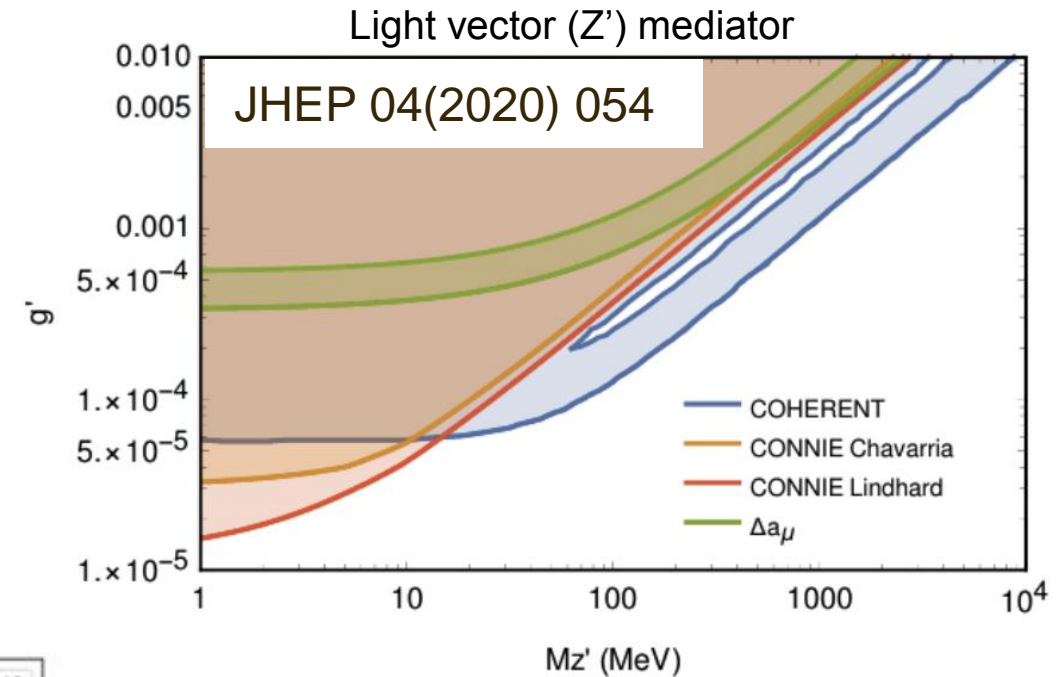
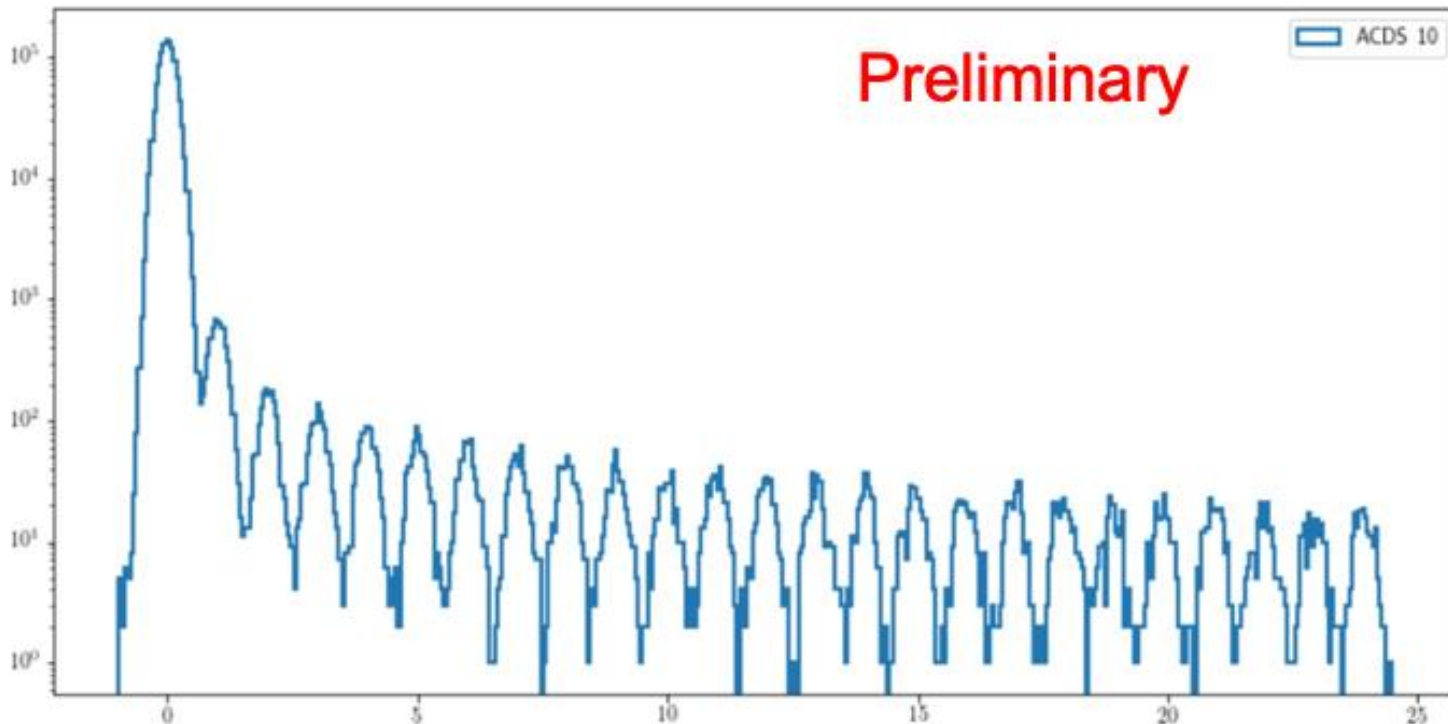
CCD achievement

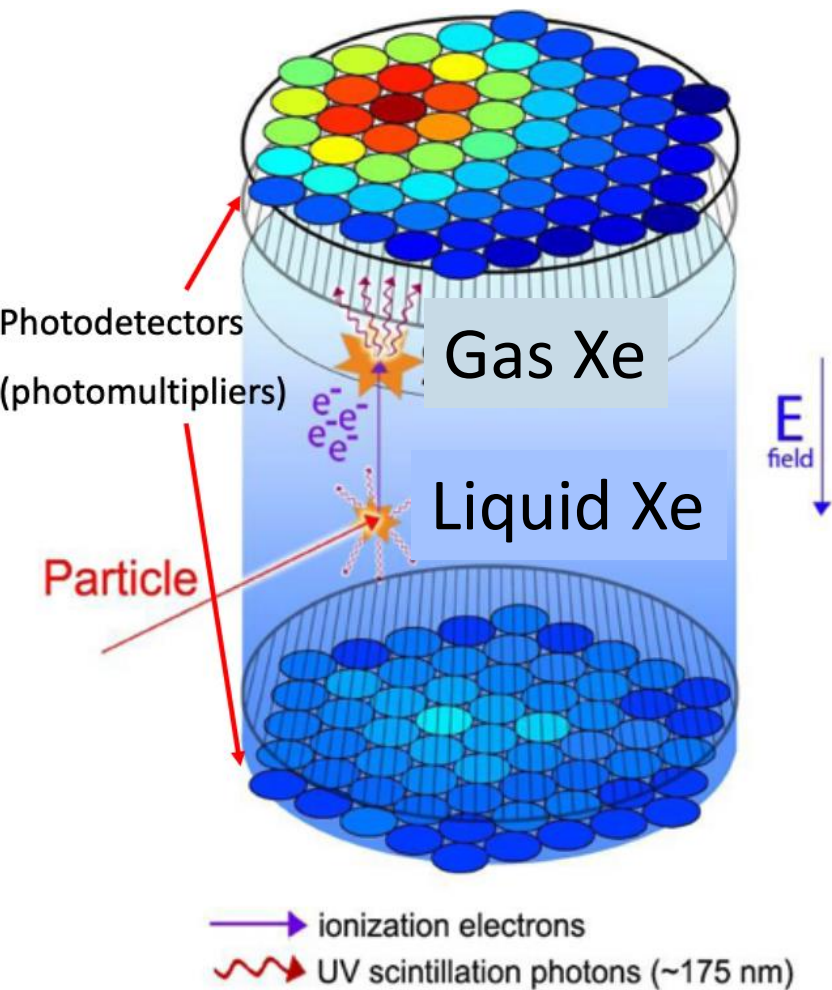
Skipper CCD:

repeatedly sample the same pixel to average out noise

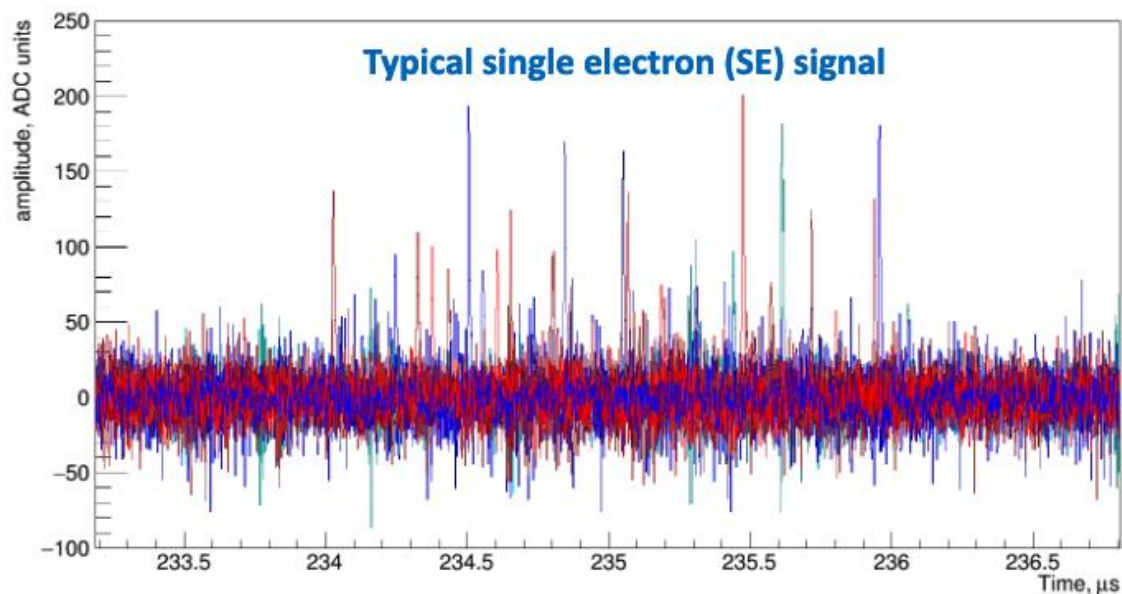
- Single electron sensitivity!
- slow

J. Tiffenberg et al,
PRL 119 (2017)

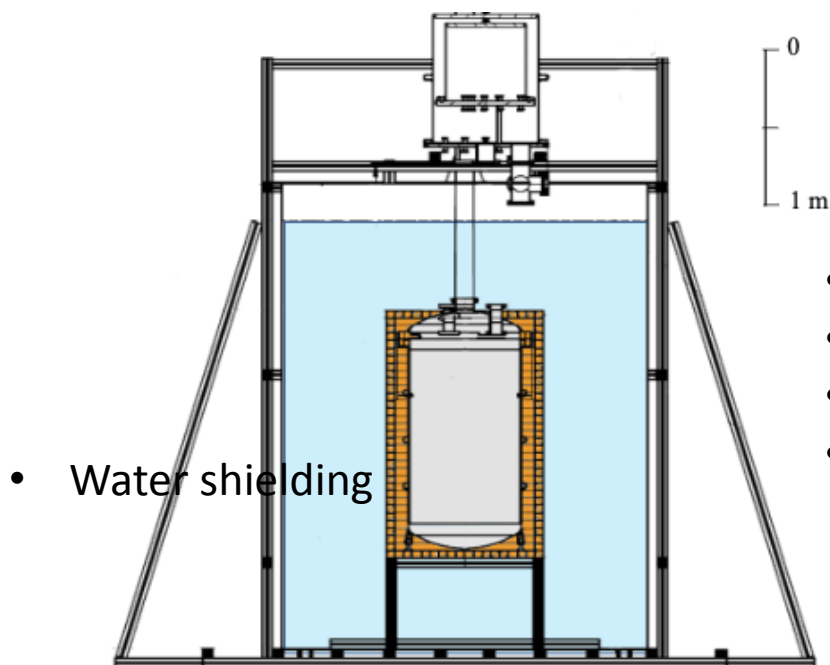




CH Faham, Brown



Different colors
→ different
PMTs



D. Rudik, m7s, 2020

- 200 kg LXe, 100 in fiducial volume
- High E field to extract single electron
- ~ 30 photoelectrons in gas Xe / electron
- Background: trapped electrons



Bolometers (heat detectors at mK)

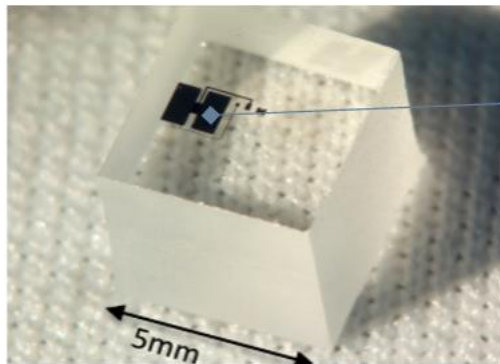
V. Wagner, TAUP, 2021



Target crystals:

Two 3x3 arrays with a total mass of 6g (CaWO_4) + 4g (Al_2O_3)

- Threshold: ~ 20 eV
- Instrumented holding structure



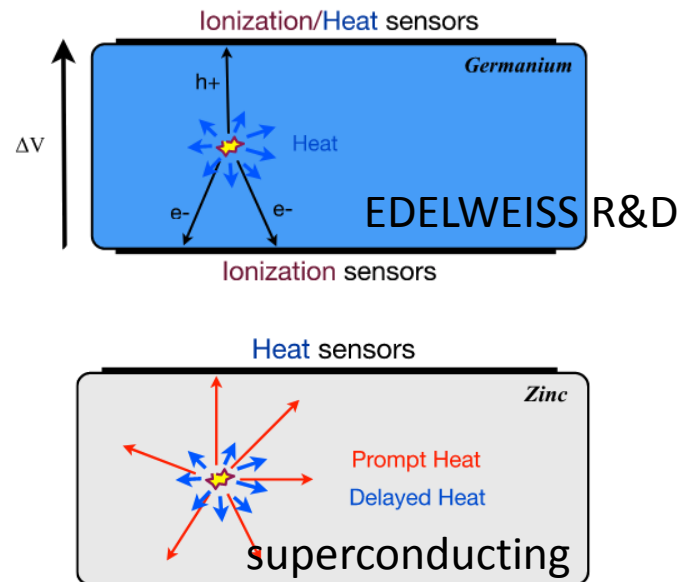
TES

Phys. Rev. D 96, 022009 (2017)

T. Salagnac, m7s, 2020



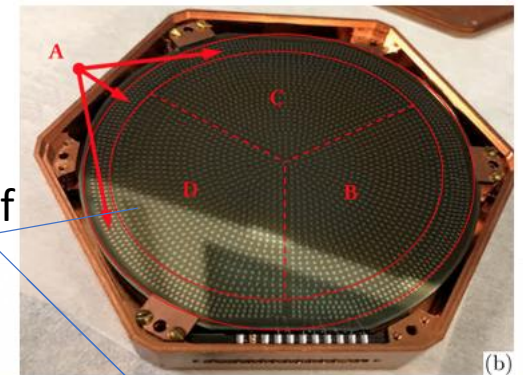
- Threshold: 55 eV
- 30 g crystals
- Particle identification



R. Mahapatra, m7s, 2020

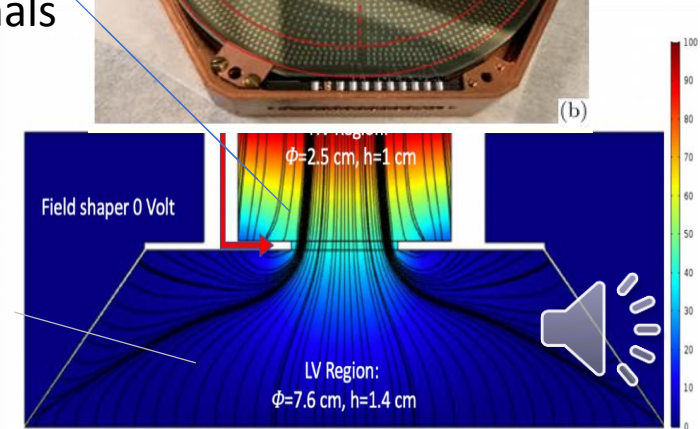
MINER

- Threshold: ~ 100 eV
- 1~4 kg Hybrid Ge & HV Si
- Low threshold and/or PID
- Moving reactor core!



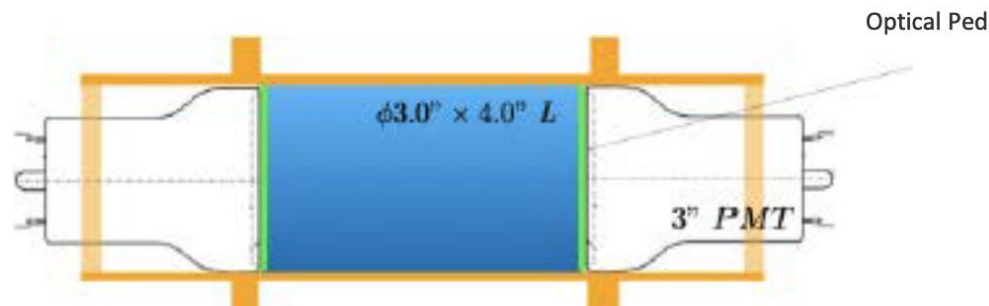
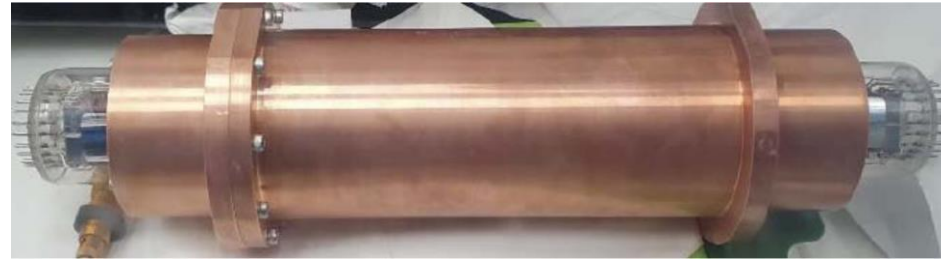
Luke phonon amplification of charge signals

Particle identification





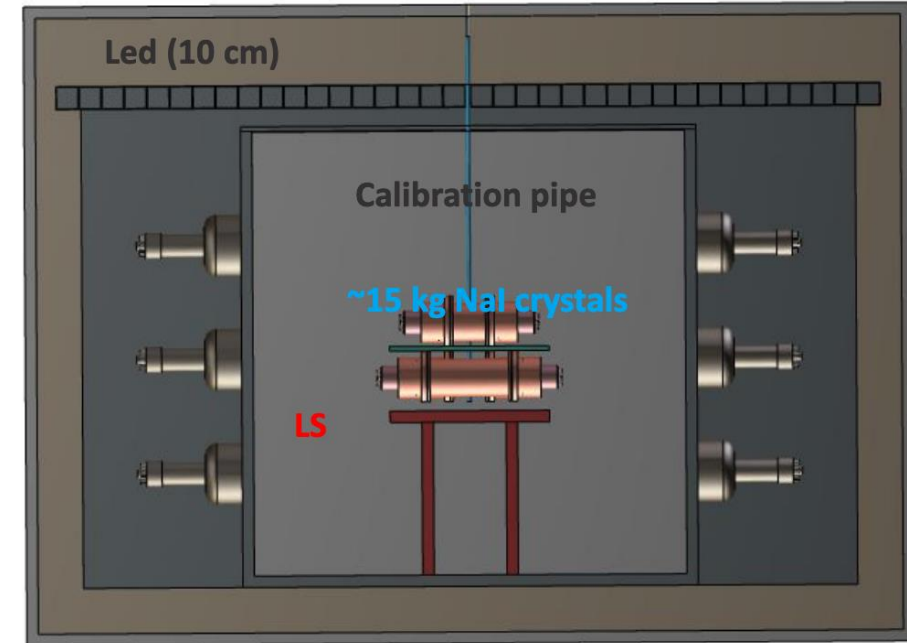
- COSINE + NEOS
- 15 kg NaI(Tl)
- light yield: 20~24 photoelectrons (PE)/keV → threshold: ~0.22 keV visible energy (5 PE)
- Liquid scintillator active shielding
- Physics run from Nov. 2020
 - ~ 4 months Reactor on data
 - ~ 1 week (190 hours) Reactor off data



NEON Encapsulation

Poly-Ethylene (20 cm)

Borated Poly-Ethylene (5 cm)



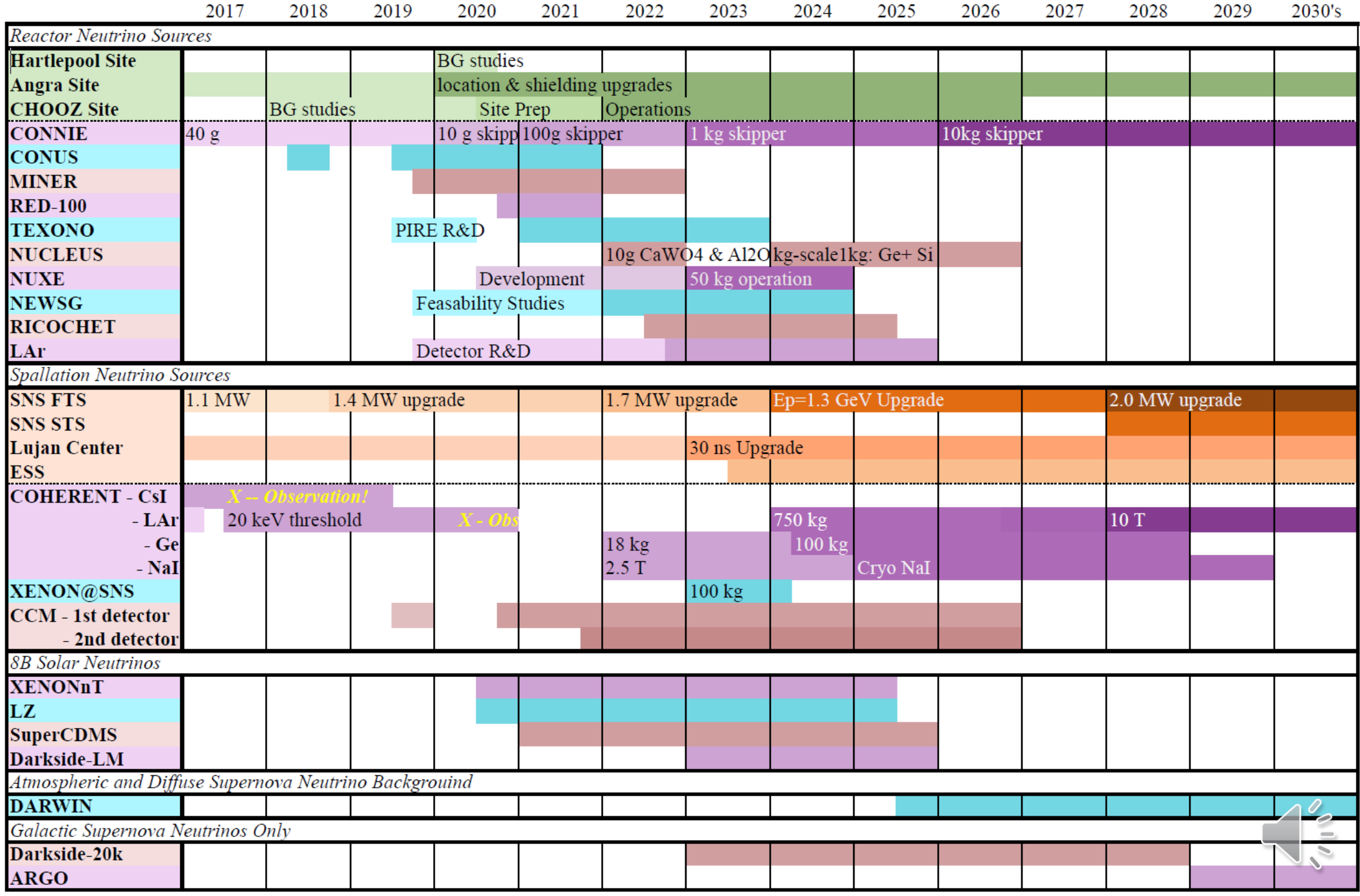
CEvNS timeline

May not be up to date & inclusive!

Demonstration of community effort

Big picture of the future of CEvNS

Thanks to Phil Barbeau





Mini Magnificent CEvNS 2021

- Cyberspace
- Morning, US time on Oct. 6 & 7
- Contact organizing committee if you are interested in giving talks:
 - Phil Barbeau
 - Matt Green
 - Diane Markoff
 - Grayson Rich
 - Kate Scholberg
 - Raimund Strauss
 - Louis Strigari
 - Victoria Wagner

<http://magnificentcevns.org/>



Backups

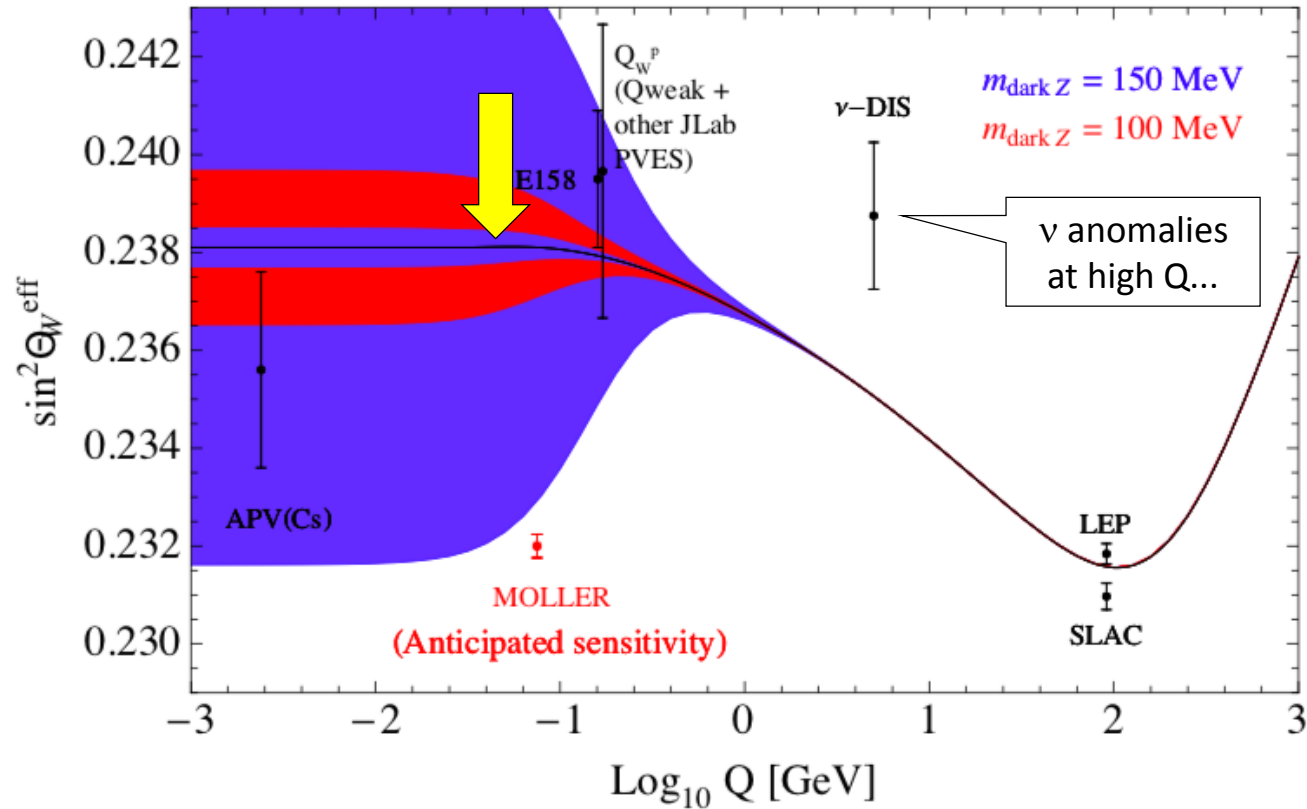
$$g_V^p = \rho_{\nu N}^{NC} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2\hat{\kappa}_{\nu N} \hat{s}_Z^2 \right) + 2\lambda^{uL} + 2\lambda^{uR} + \lambda^{dL} + \lambda^{dR},$$

$$g_V^n = -\frac{1}{2}\rho_{\nu N}^{NC} + \lambda^{uL} + \lambda^{uR} + 2\lambda^{dL} + 2\lambda^{dR}.$$

Here $\hat{s}_Z^2 = \sin^2 \theta_W = 0.23120$, $\rho_{\nu N}^{NC} = 1.0086$, $\hat{\kappa}_{\nu N} = 0.9978$, $\lambda^{uL} = -0.0031$, $\lambda^{dL} = -0.0025$ and $\lambda^{dR} = 2\lambda^{uR} = 7.5 \times 10^{-5}$ are the radiative corrections given by the PDG

A new method for measuring the weak mixing angle at $Q \sim 0.04$ GeV

$$\sigma \propto Q_W^2 \propto (N - (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W)Z)^2$$



Other new physics results in a
distortion of the recoil spectrum (Q dependence)

BSM Light Mediators

SM weak charge

Effective weak charge in presence
of light vector mediator Z'

$$Q_{\alpha, \text{SM}}^2 = (Zg_p^V + Ng_n^V)^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad Q_{\alpha, \text{NSI}}^2 = \left[Z \left(g_p^V + \frac{3g^2}{2\sqrt{2}G_F(Q^2 + M_{Z'}^2)} \right) + N \left(g_n^V + \frac{3g^2}{2\sqrt{2}G_F(Q^2 + M_{Z'}^2)} \right) \right]^2$$

specific to neutrinos
and quarks

e.g. arXiv:1708.04255

Neutrino (Anomalous) Magnetic Moment

e.g. arXiv:1505.03202,
1711.09773

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right)_m = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\mu_\nu^2 Z^2}{m_e^2} \left(\frac{1 - T/E_\nu}{T} + \frac{T}{4E_\nu^2} \right)$$

Specific $\sim 1/T$ upturn
at low recoil energy

Sterile Neutrino Oscillations

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha}^{\text{SBL}}(E_\nu) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{\alpha\alpha} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)$$

“True” disappearance with baseline-dependent Q distortion

e.g. arXiv: 1511.02834,
1711.09773, 1901.08094

And squeezing down the possibilities for new physics...

