

# T2HKK/KNO, ESSnuSB, and THEIA



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# What is happening now?

## Major issues in long baseline neutrino physics

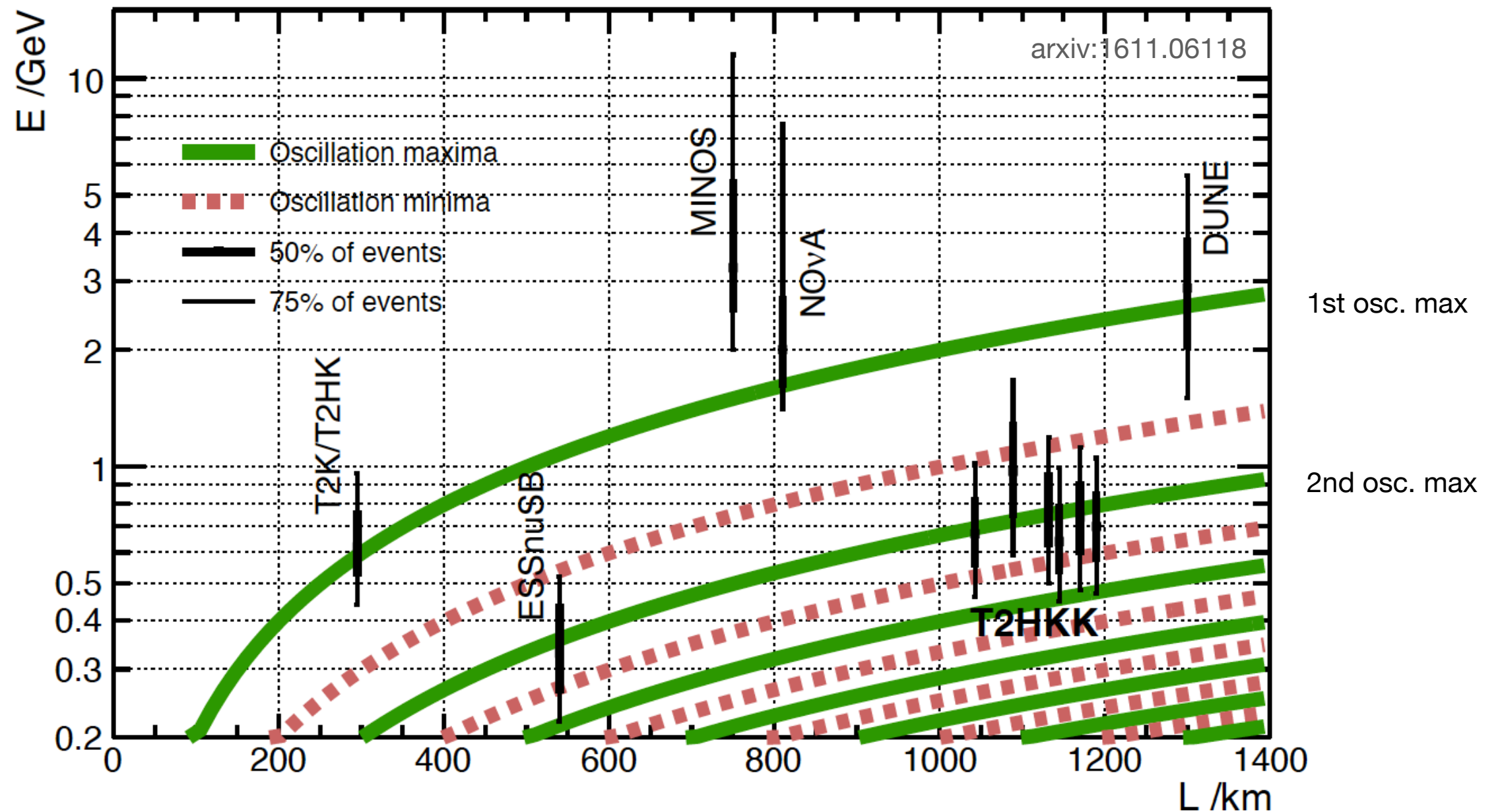
- Neutrino mass ordering
- CP violation in leptonic sector
- Sterile neutrinos?
- ... and precision measurements of all oscillation parameters

## Experimental environment

- T2K and NOvA experiments are taking data
- JUNO experiment starts soon
- DUNE and T2HK experiments are under construction

# Future Neutrino Beam Experiments for $\delta_{\text{CP}}$

- To obtain  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$ , measure  $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$  and  $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$



# **KNO (T2HKK)**

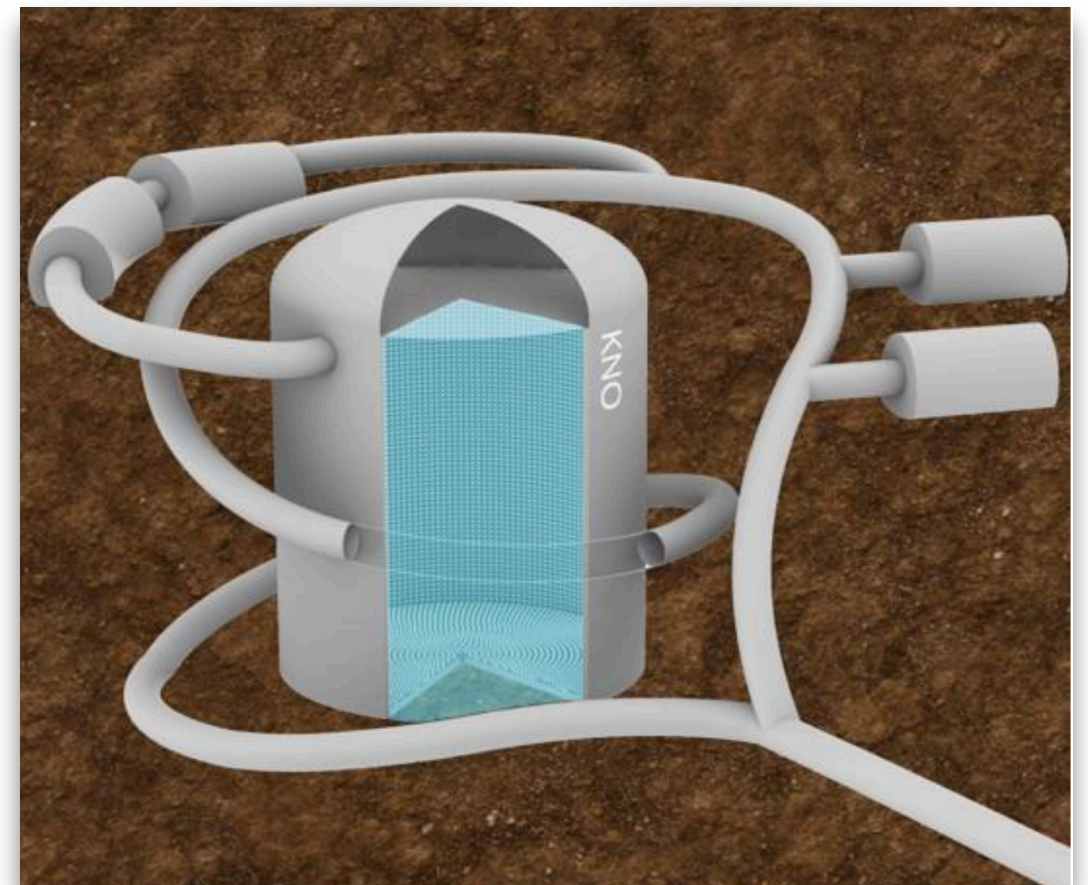
**Korean Neutrino Observatory  
(Tokai to Hyper-K detector in Korea)**



# KNO Overview

KNO is a proposal to build a large scale neutrino detector in Korea to act as a neutrino telescope and second detector to T2HK

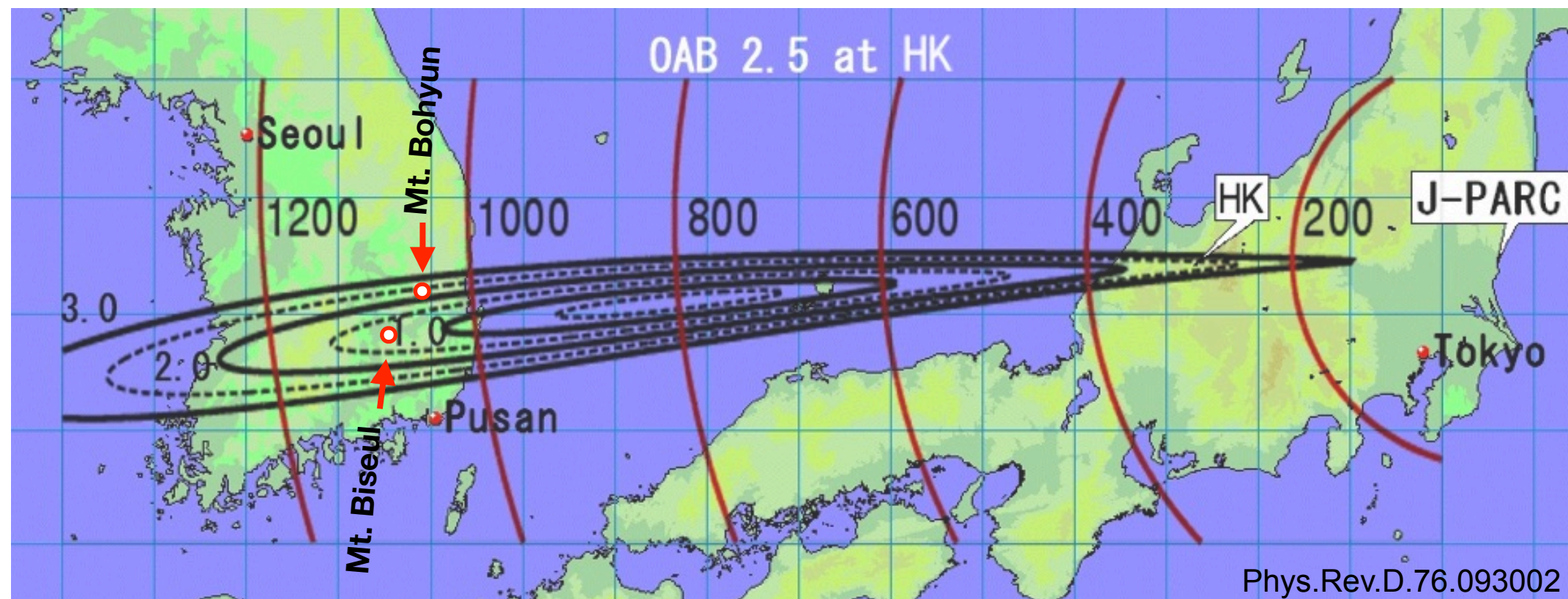
- Water Cherenkov detector
  - 260~500 kton
  - cylindrical shape
  - 40% photo sensor coverage
- Development of photosensors, water purification system, DAQ electronics, and event reconstruction software
- 60 collaborators from 10 institutions
- Main physics goals
  - Precision CP violation measurement
  - Proton decay search
  - Astrophysics



# KNO Candidate Locations

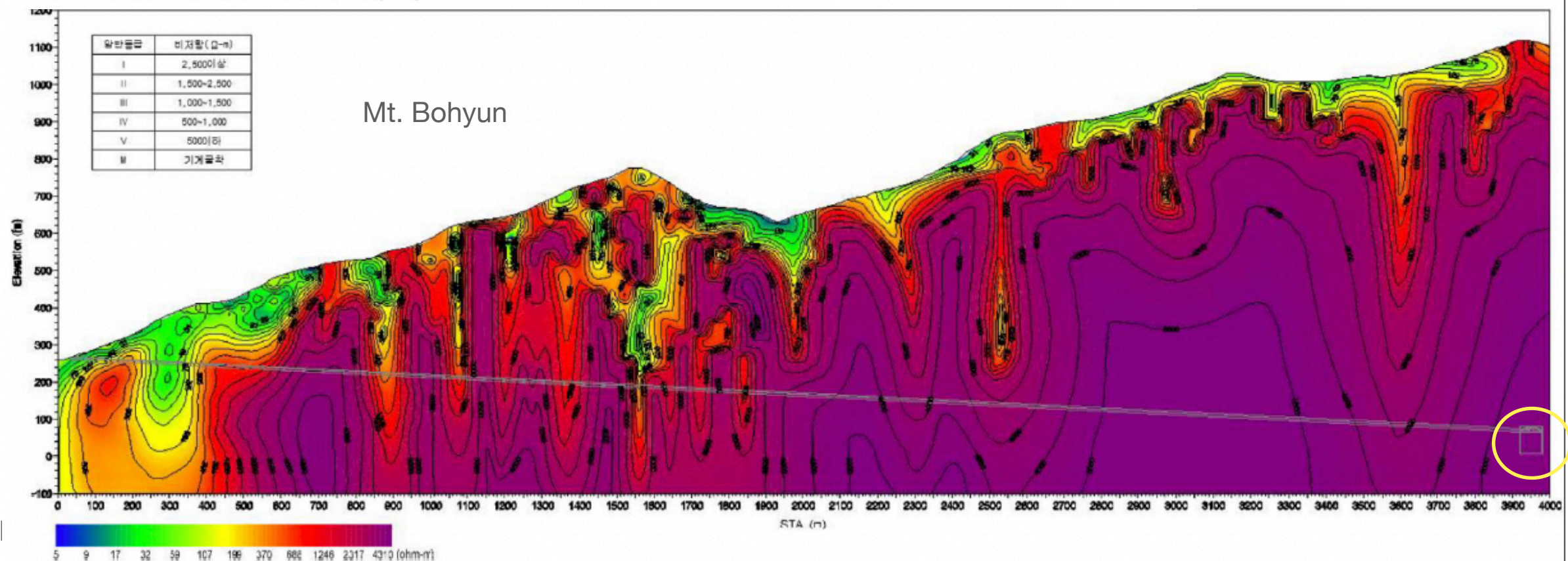
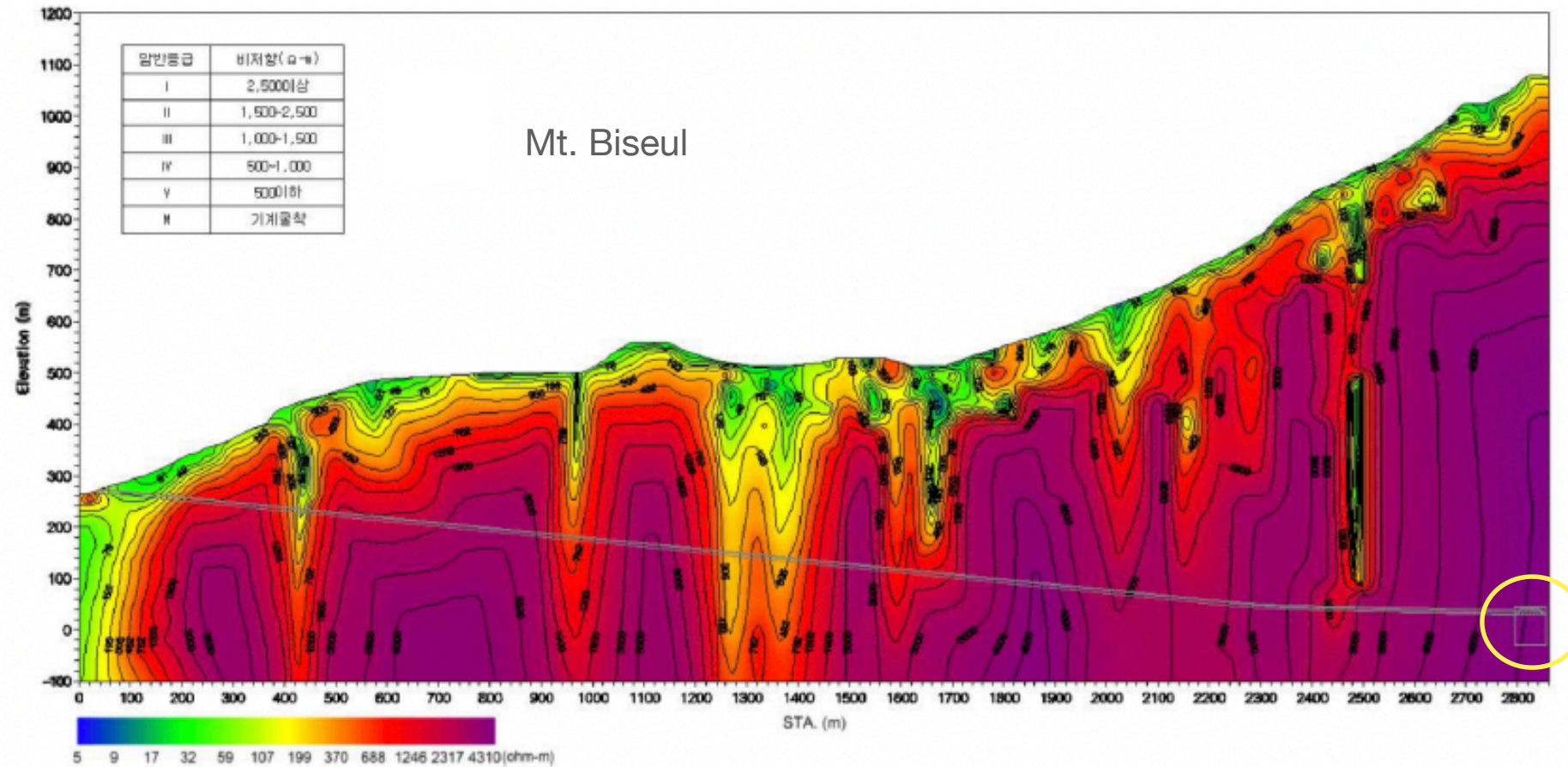
- Geological surveys done on six locations
- Two favoured candidate locations:

	Baseline (km)	Height (m)	Off-axis Angle	Rock Composition
Mt. Biseul	1088	1084	1.3°	Granite porphyry, andesitic breccia
Mt. Bohyun	1042	1124	2.3°	Granite, volcanic rocks, volcanic breccia





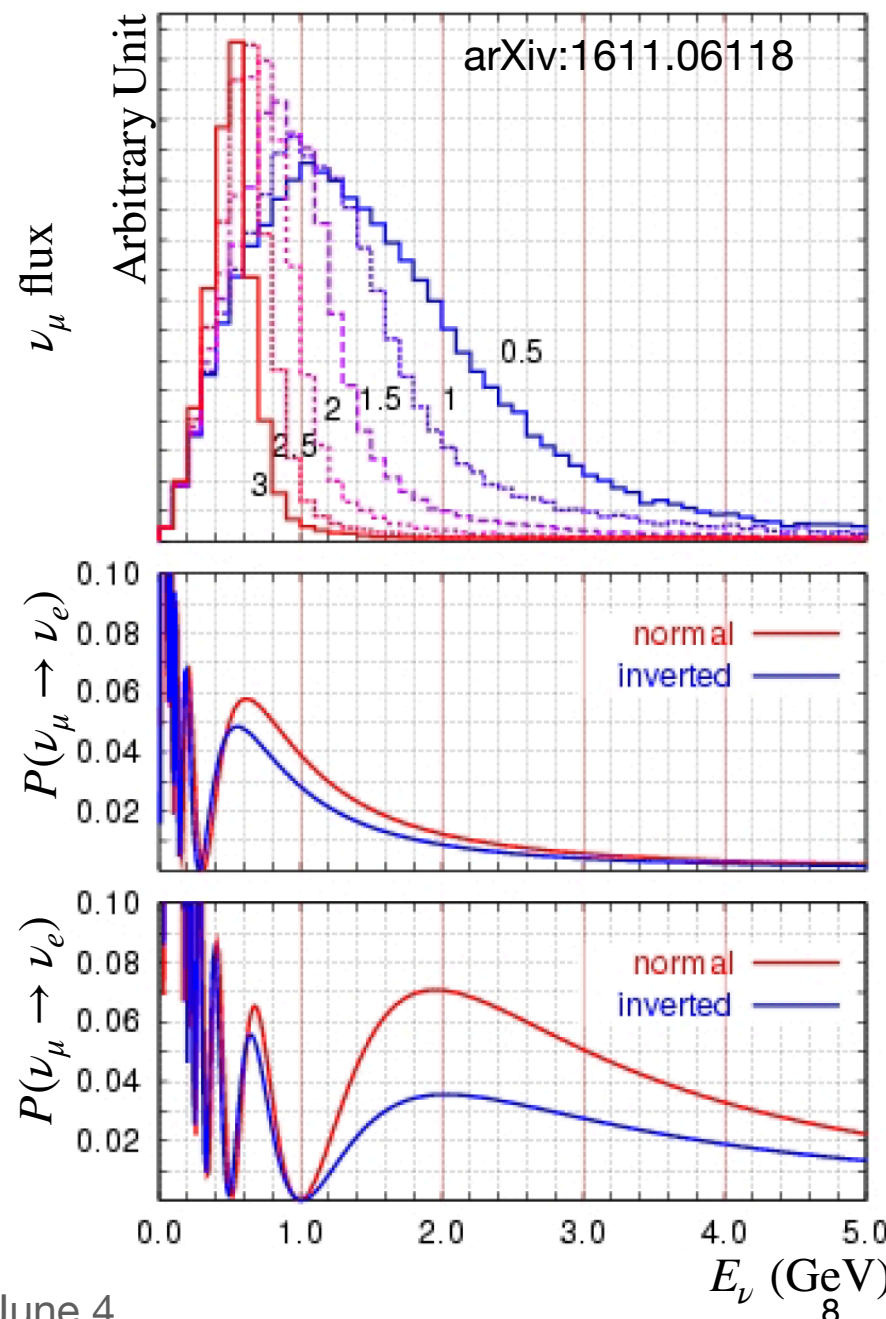
# Survey of Candidate Sites





# Neutrino Beam

- The J-PARC delivers neutrino beam to T2K
- The beam line will be upgraded over to 1.3MW beam power.
- HK is at a 2.5° off axis from the beam centre.



Off-axis beam energy profile

@SK

$L=300$  km  $\rightarrow$  1st oscillation max

@Korean sites

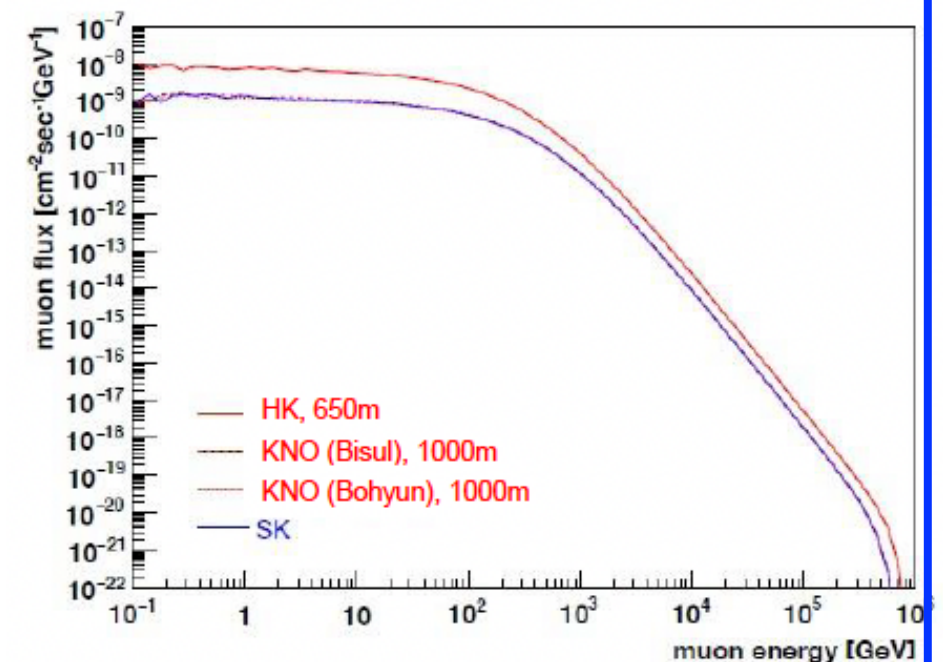
$L=1100$  km  $\rightarrow$  1st & 2nd oscillation max

# Why a Detector in Korea?

The same physics programme as the Hyper-Kamiokande.

## Pros

- Longer baseline ( $\sim 1100$  km) neutrino beam for KNO  $\rightarrow$  1st and 2nd oscillation maxima
  - More sensitivity to leptonic CP violation ( $\delta_{CP}$ ) and mass ordering
  - Better for probing non-standard neutrino interaction
- Larger overburden than HK ( $\sim 1000$  m vs 650 m)
  - 5 times smaller muon flux
  - Smaller cosmogenic backgrounds
  - Better sensitivity to astrophysical neutrinos

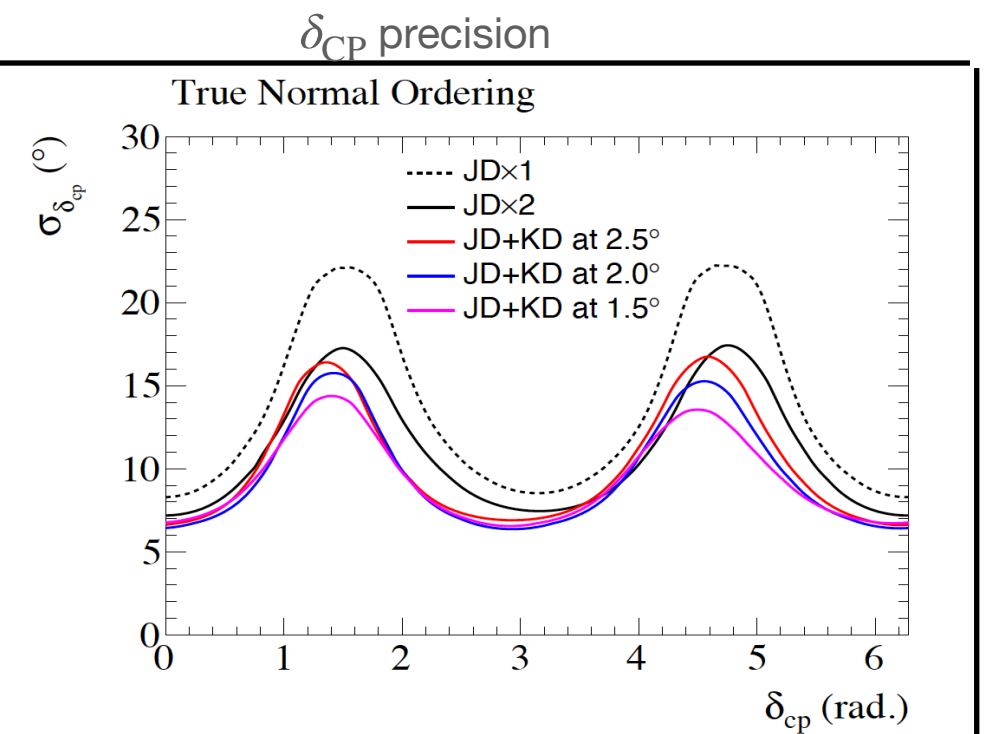
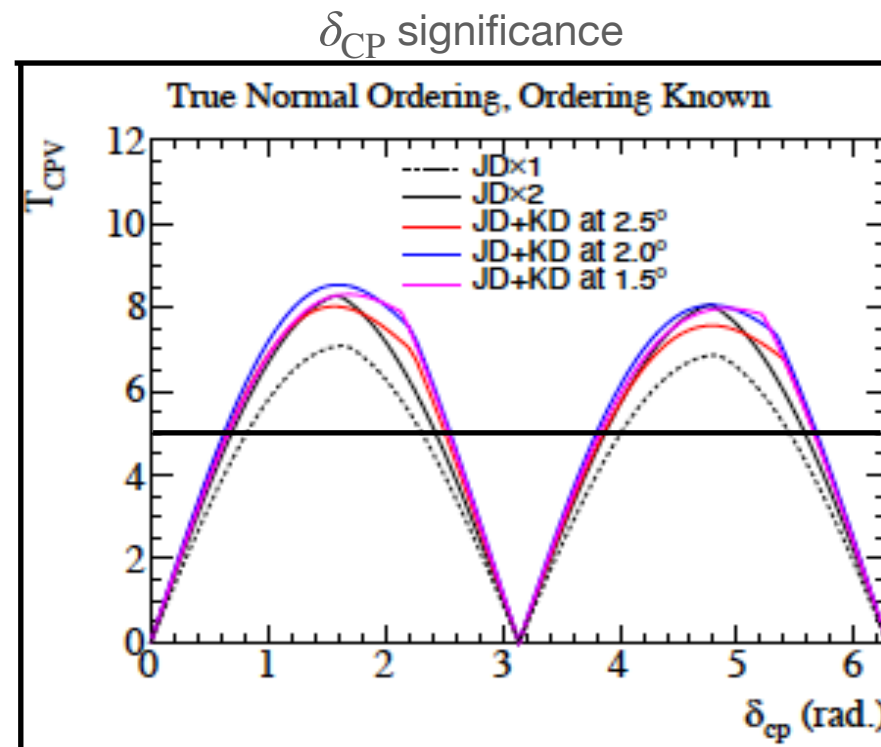


## Cons

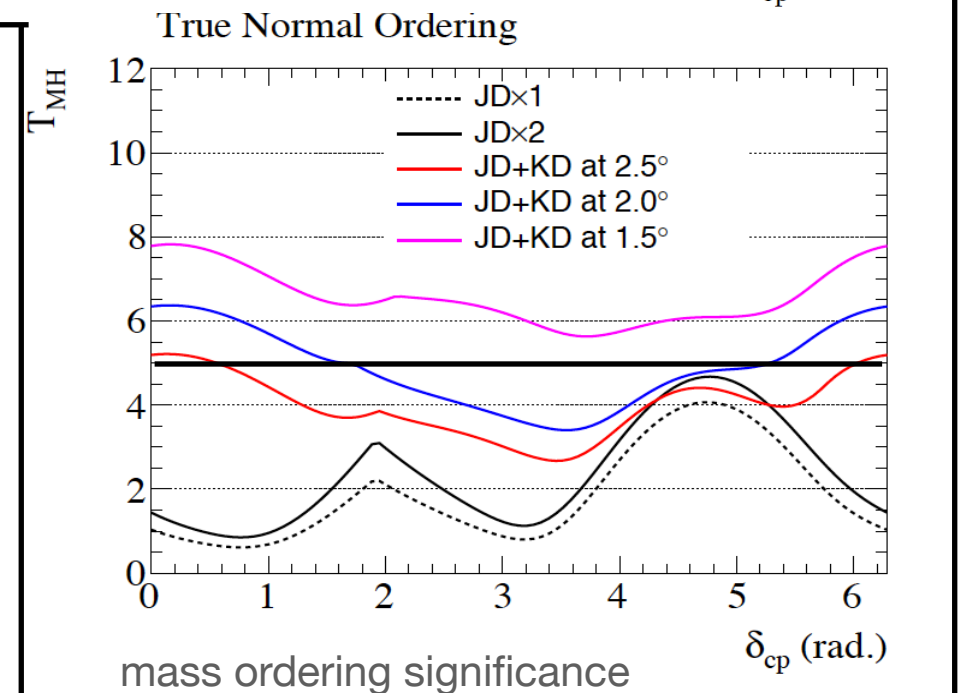
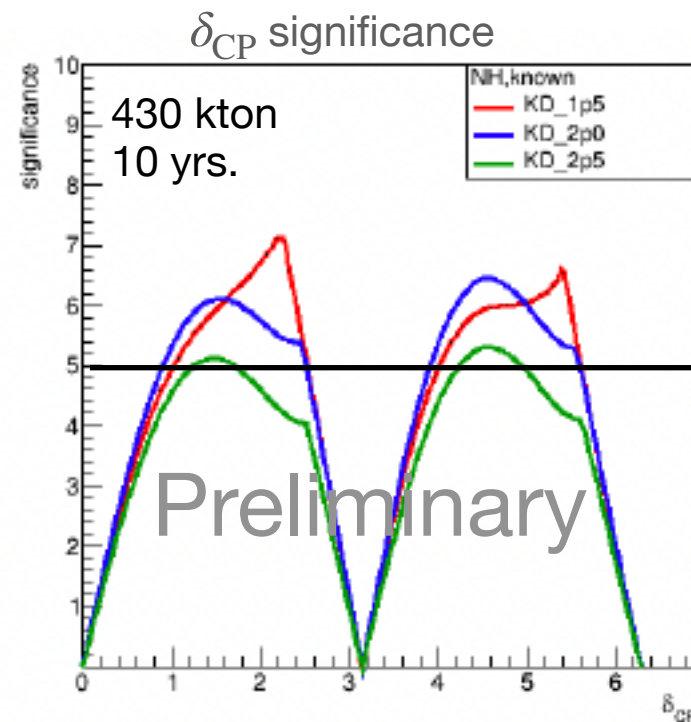
- 10 times lower neutrino beam flux than HK due to longer baseline

# Sensitivities

Baseline 1100 km  
Beam exposure 10 yrs  
260 kton



Very  
conservative  
systematics

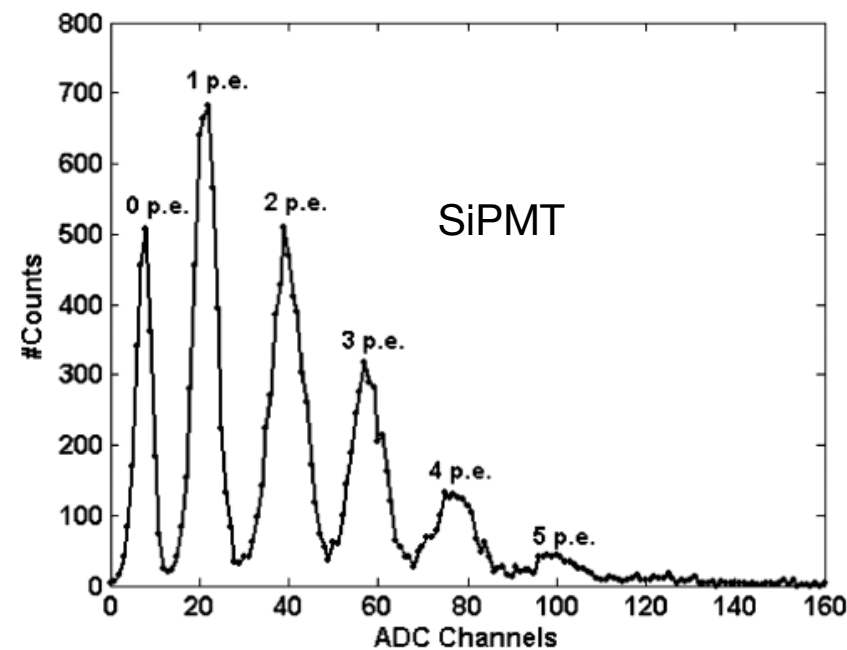
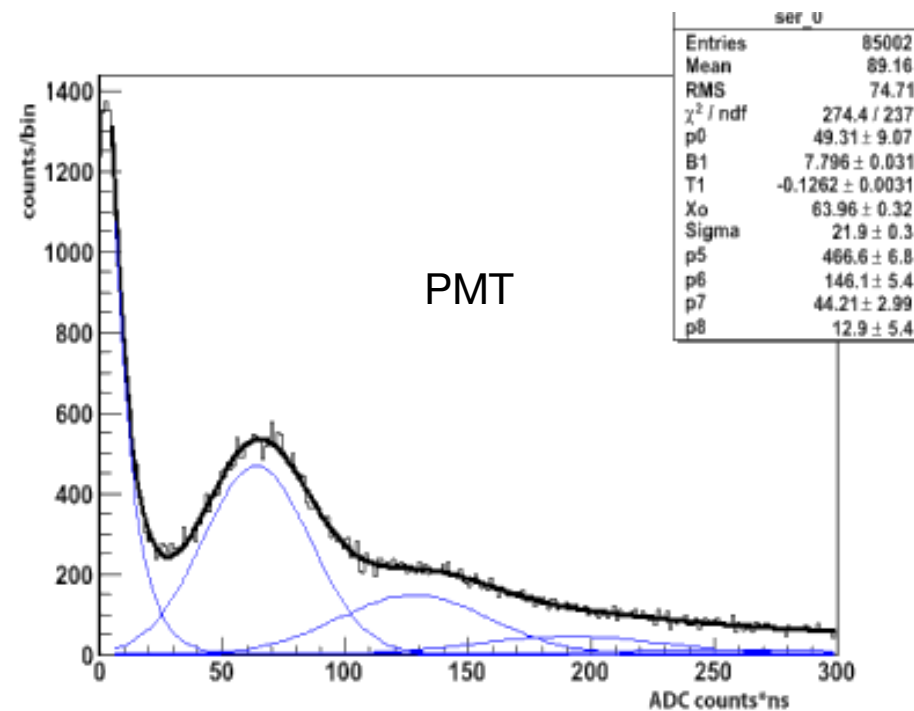
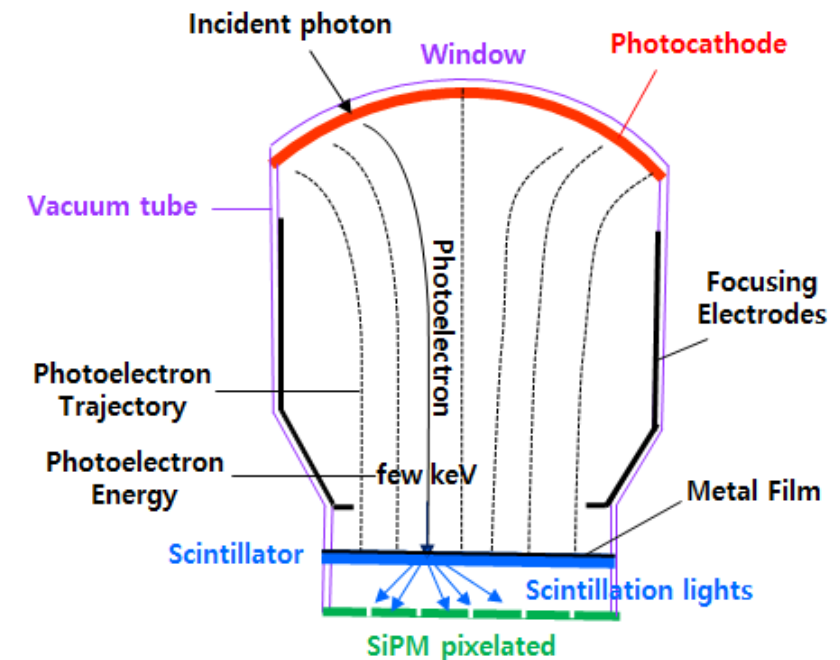


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# Hardware Development

Development of a new type of hybrid photodetector SiPMT:  
Photocathode+Scintillator+SiPM

- Total amplification:  $\sim 2 \times 10^7$
- Fast response time: a few ns
- Simple internal structure (no dynodes): lower cost



# ESSnuSB

## European Spallation Source Neutrino Super Beam





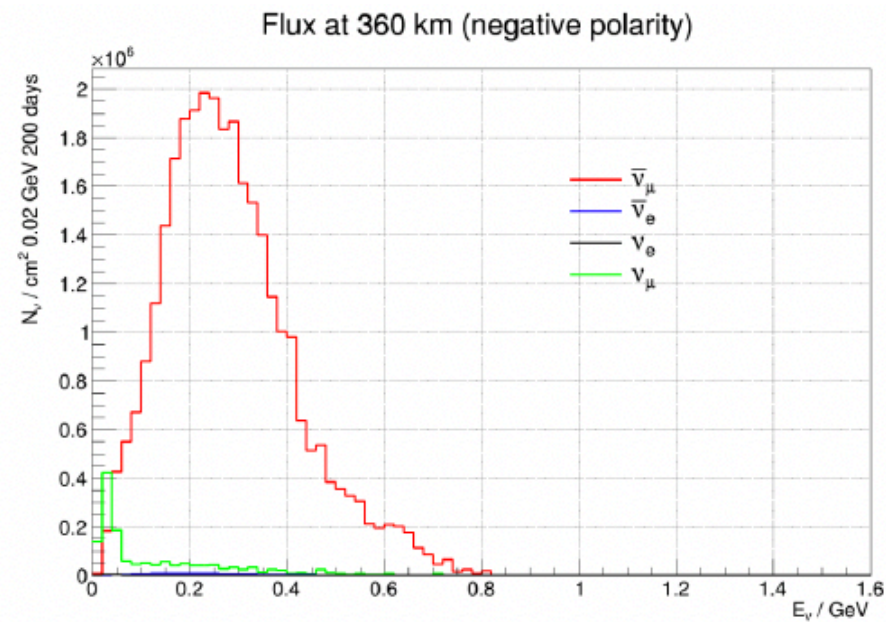
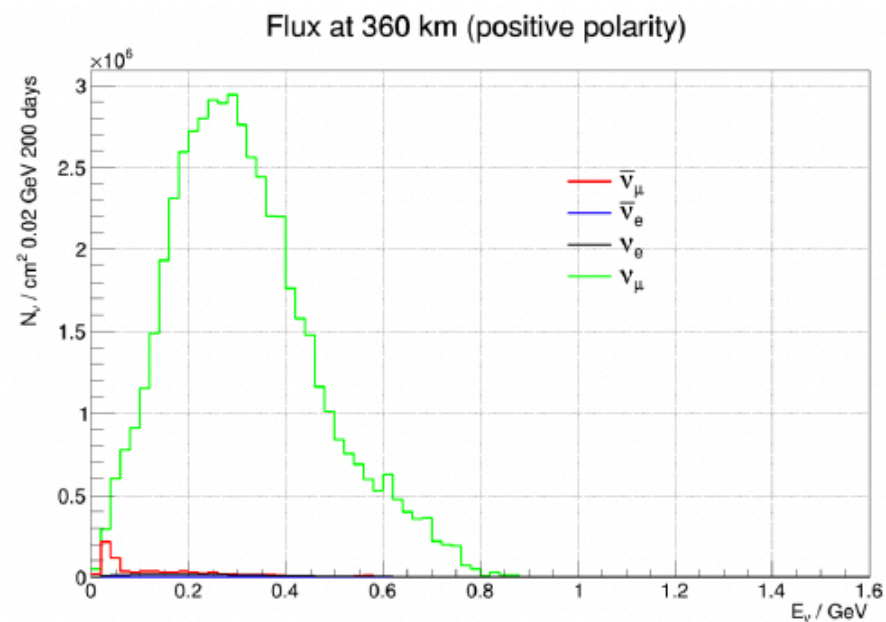
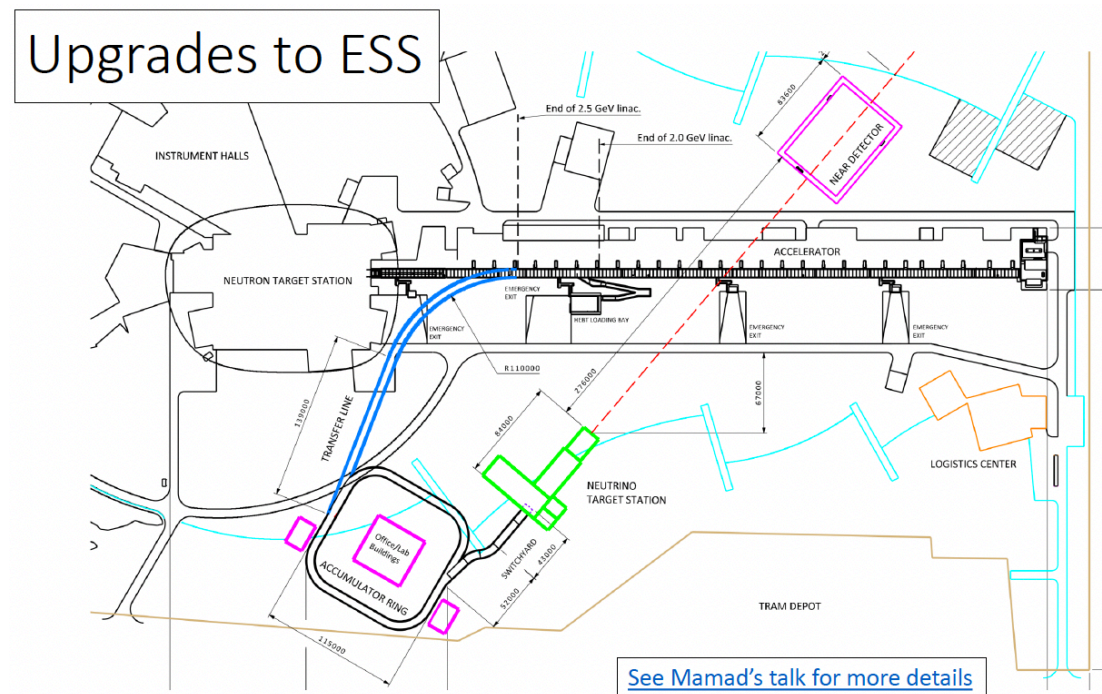
# ESSnuSB Overview

- ESSnuSB is a design study project financed by the European Commission for measuring  $\delta_{CP}$  with high precision
- Take advantage of ESS neutron beam facility being constructed in Lund, Sweden.
- 55 collaborators from 15 institutions



# ESSnuSB Neutrino Beam

- 5 MW average beam power
- Upgrade ESS
  - Upgrade the linac to accelerate H- instead of proton
  - Build an accumulator ring
  - $\nu$ -target station
- neutrino beam with mean energy of  $\sim 0.3$  GeV





# Far Detector Sites



Two favoured sites

- Zinkgruvan mine @360 km

Partly covering first and second osc. maxima

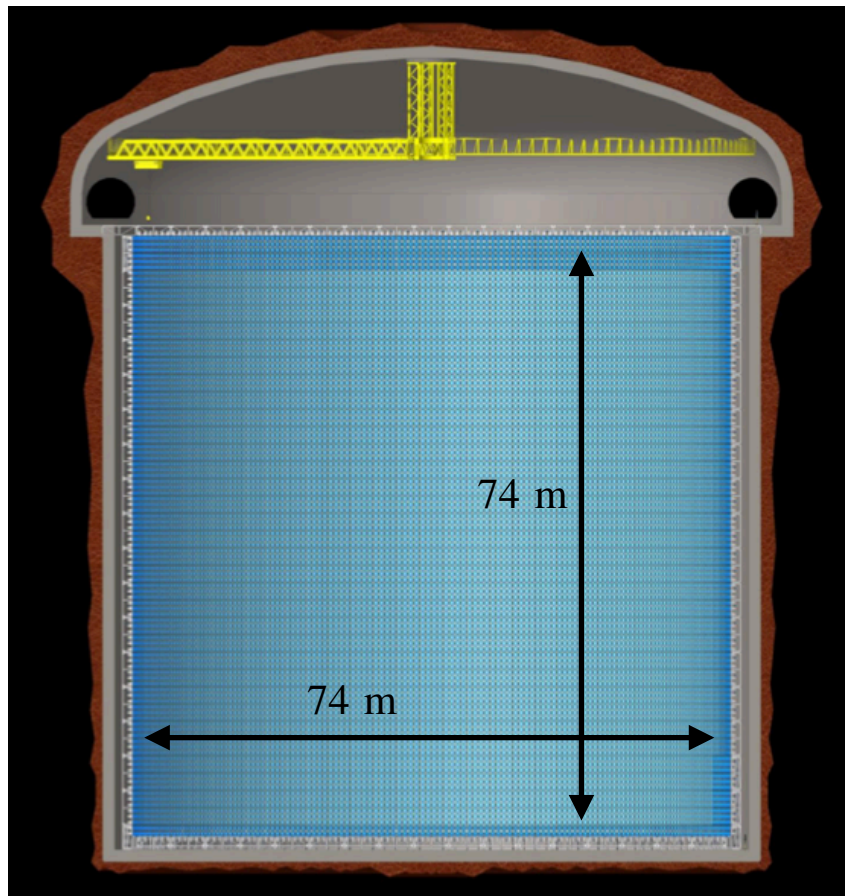
- Garpenberg mine@540 km

Second osc. maximum

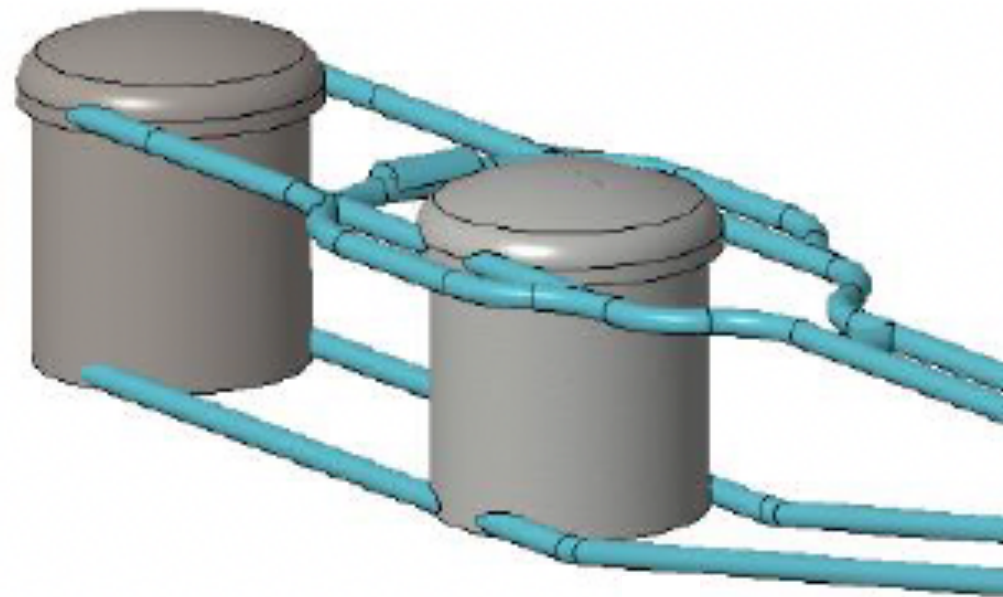


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# Far Detectors



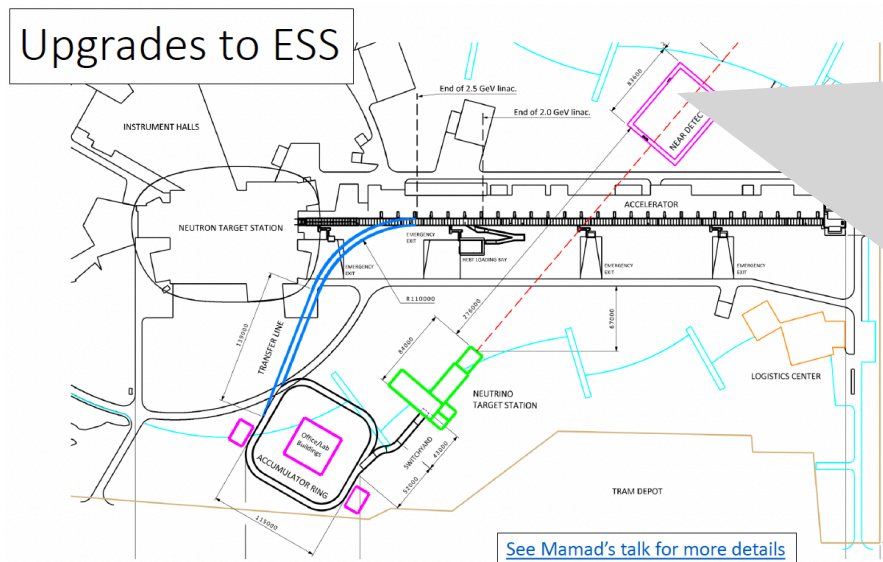
- Two identical cylindrical shape water Cherenkov detectors
- 2 x 320 kton ultra pure water  
(2 x 270 kton fiducial volume)
- 50k 20" PMTs per detector (40% optical coverage)
- 1500 m overburden



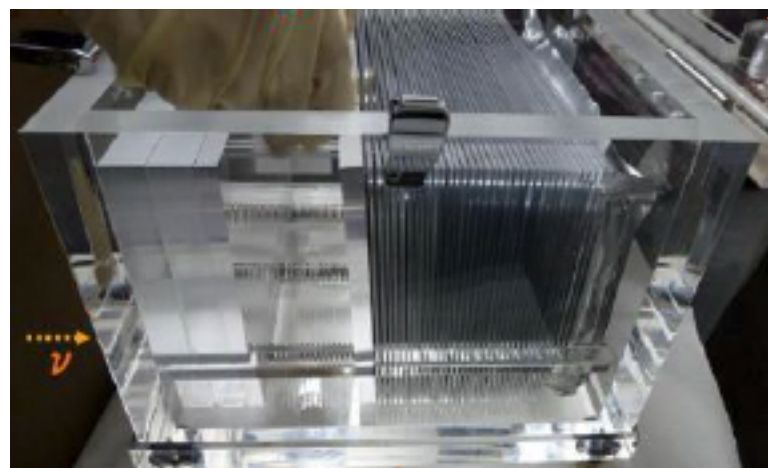
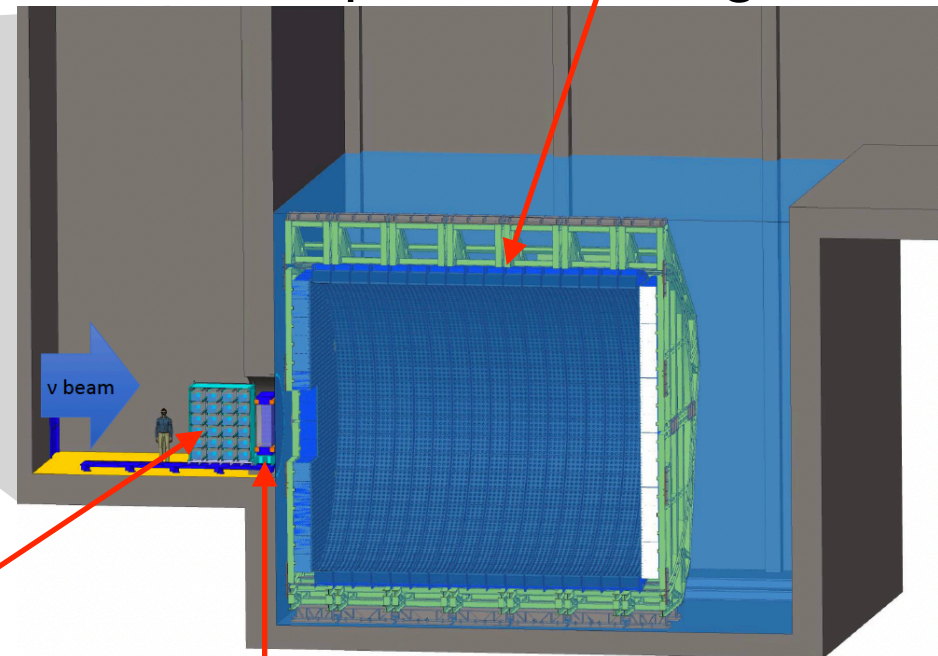


# Near Detectors

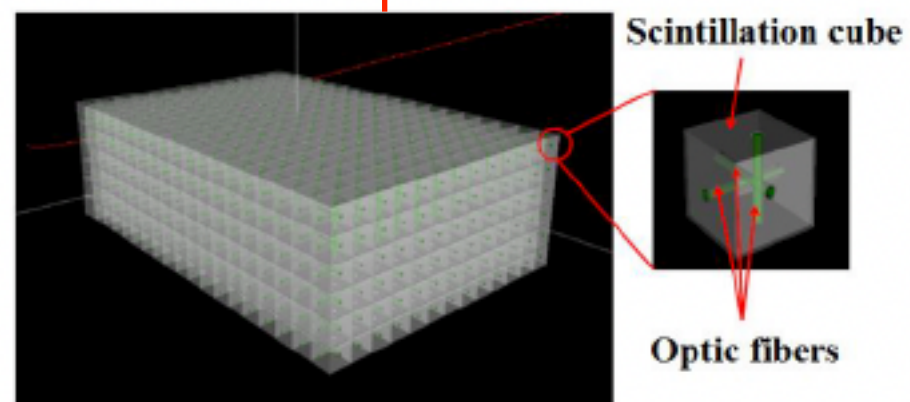
- Near Detectors @250 m



water Cherenkov detector:  
0.77 kt fiducial volume: 30%  
photo coverage



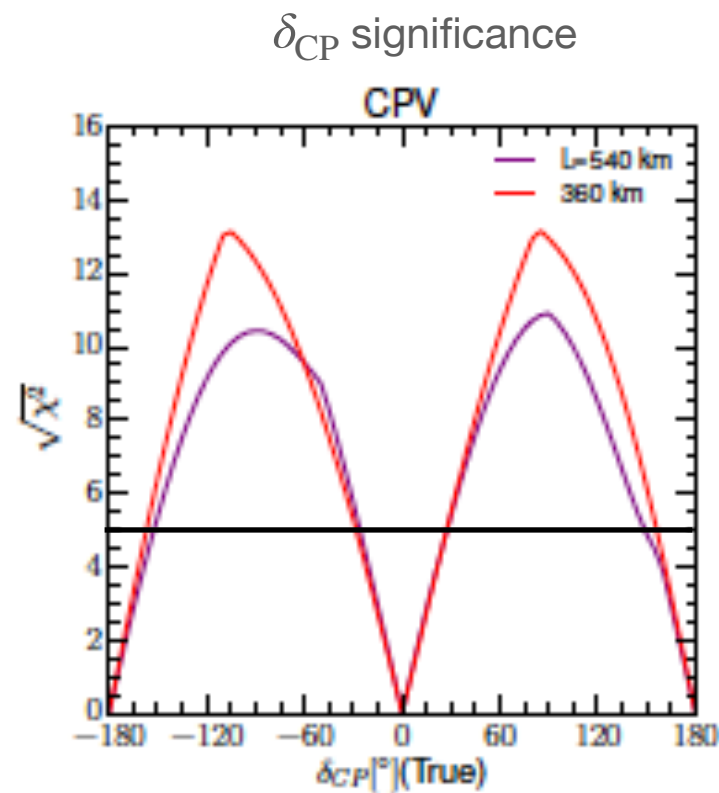
water-emulsion detector  
(1 ton fiducial volume)



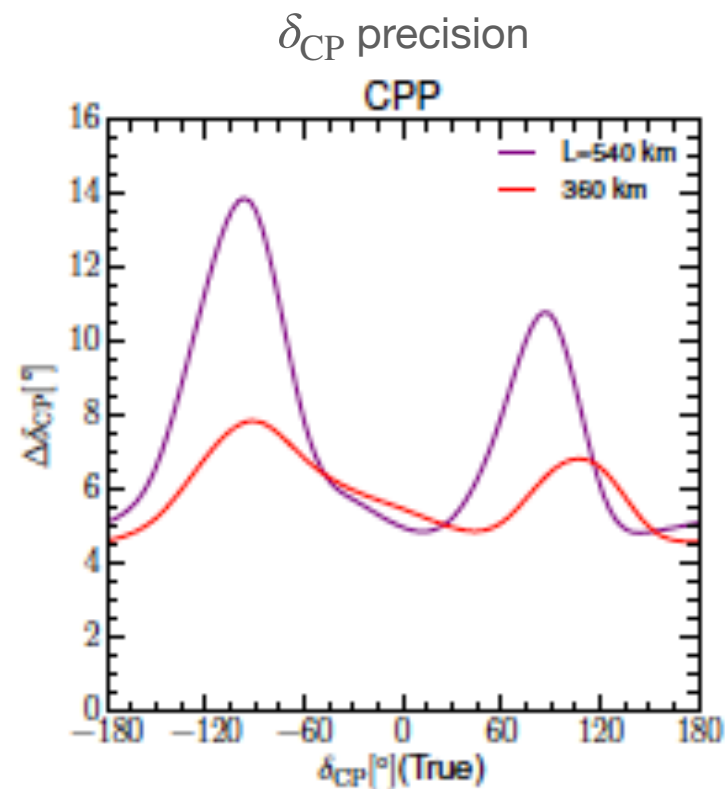
Scintillator tracker

# Sensitivities

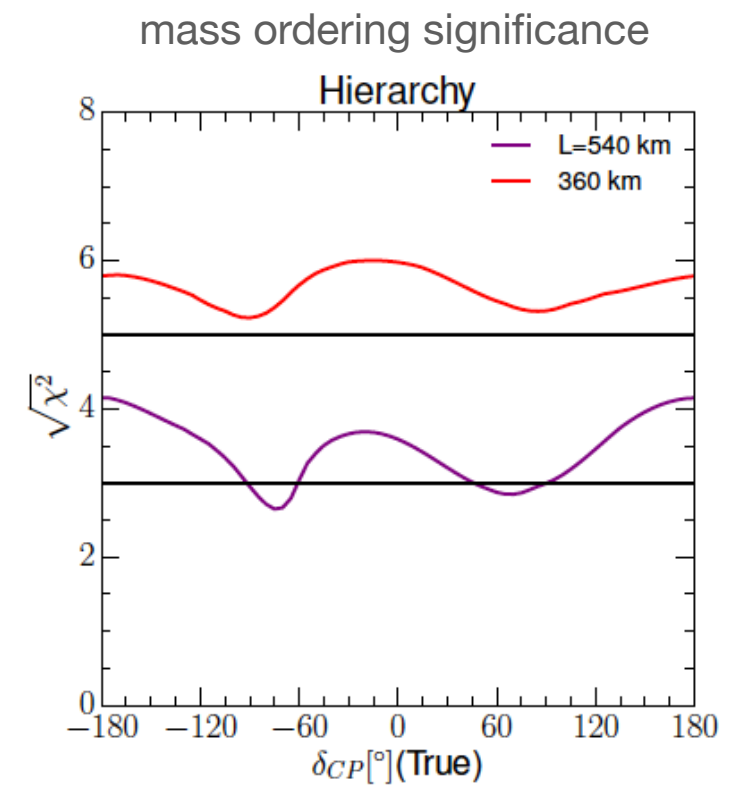
10 year beam exposure



~70% region of  $\delta_{CP}$  can be measured at  $5\sigma$



$< 8^\circ$  ( $14^\circ$ )



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# ESSnuSB Roadmap



Tamer Tolba @Lepton-Photon 2021

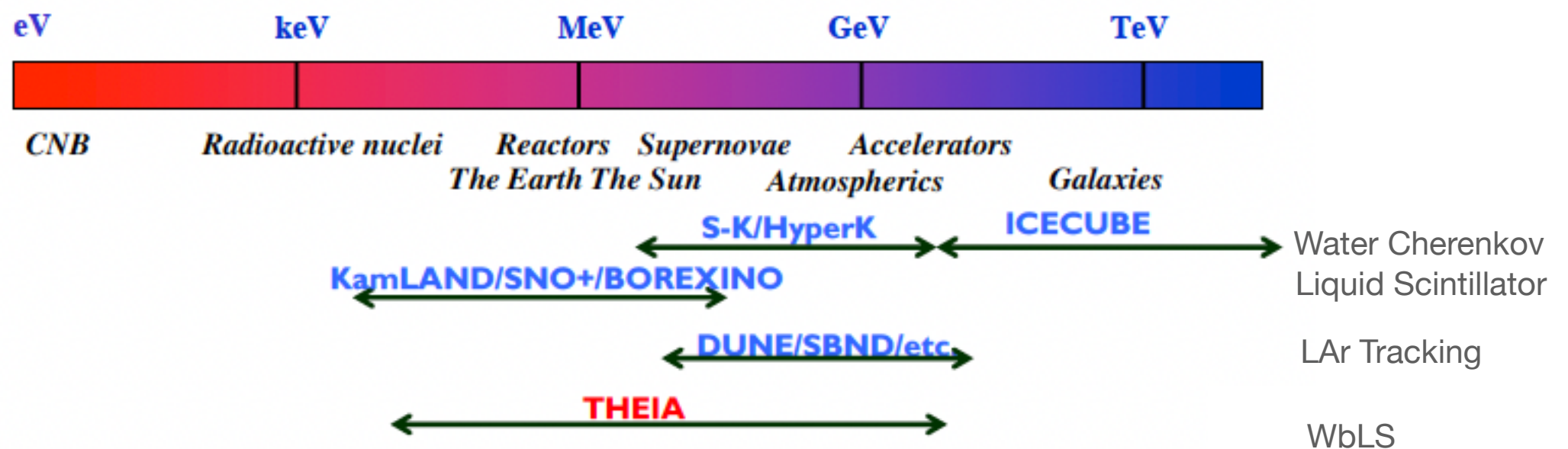
# THEIA





# Overview

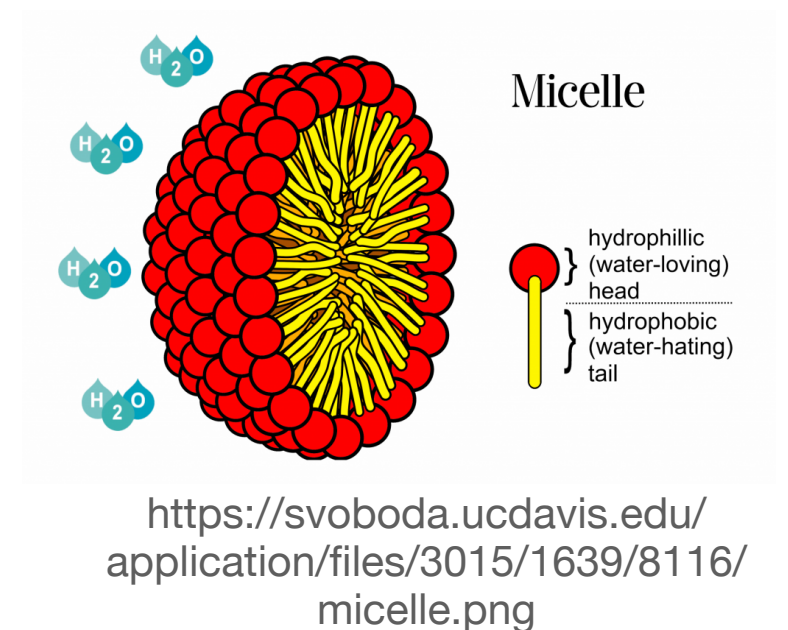
- THEIA is a proposed large scale Water-based Liquid Scintillator (WbLS) detector for broad range neutrino physics
- WbLS provides good energy resolution of scintillator detector and enables event direction reconstruction of Cherenkov detector
- Incorporates fast photon detector timing, high-efficiency photon detection, advanced reconstruction method, etc.
- 82 collaborators from 38 institutions



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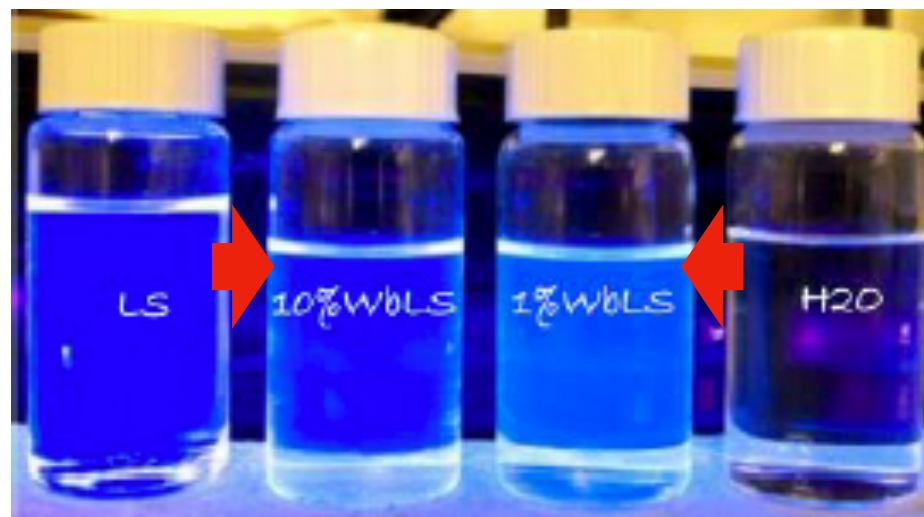
# Water Based Liquid Scintillator

- Water-based liquid scintillator is a mixture of pure water and oil based liquid scintillator
- Mixture is possible using a surfactant to hold LS droplets in water
- Lower the LS concentrations
  - Reduces light yield
  - Increases transparency
- Successfully produced at BNL and JGU Mainz and BNL working on production of larger samples



High Light Yield:

- good energy resolution
- low energy threshold

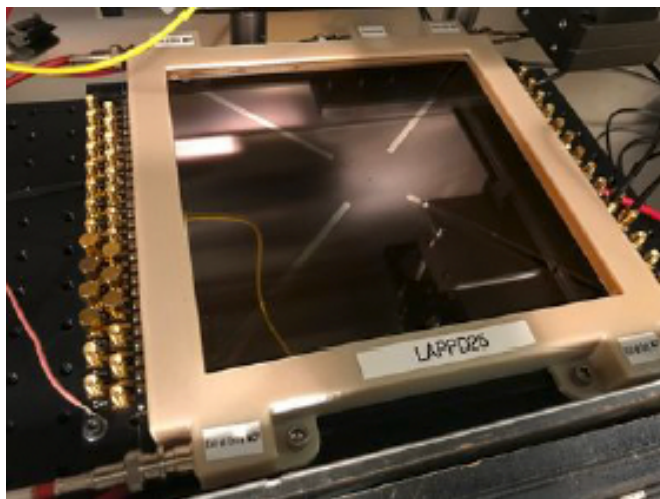


High transparency  
Directionality  
Particle ID

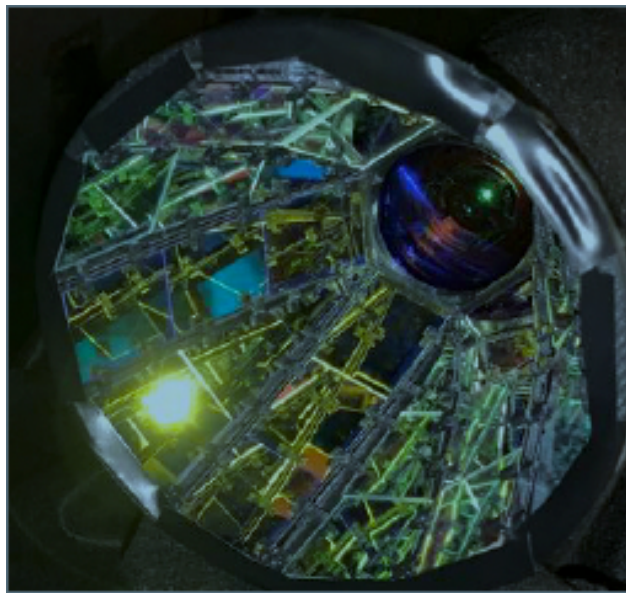
WbLS from Mifang Yeh (BNL)

# Separation of Cherenkov and Scintillation Photons

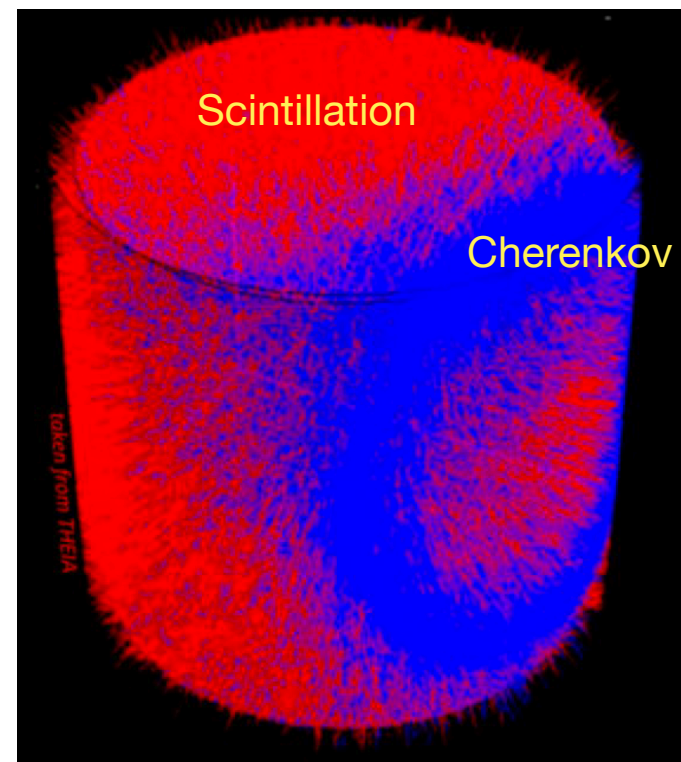
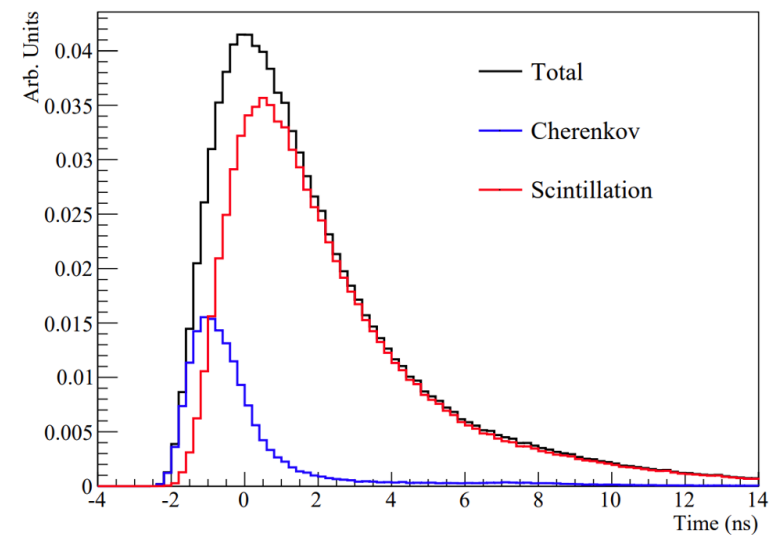
- To separate Cherenkov photons and scintillation photons
  - Fast sensors (PMT, LAPPD, SiPM)
  - Wavelength filter (dichroic filter)
  - Advanced reconstruction methods



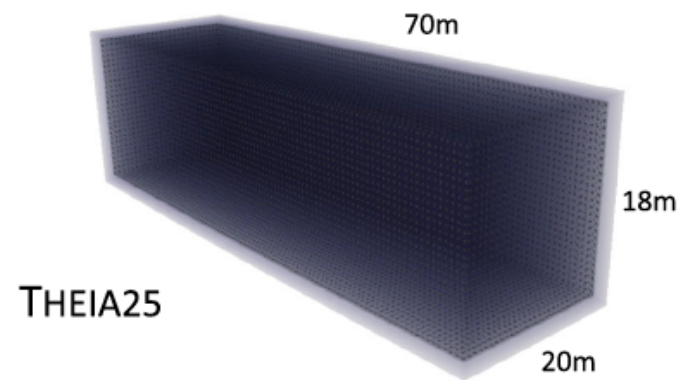
LAPPDs  
(Large Area Picosecond  
Photon Detectors)



Dichroicon



# Detector Designs



- Baseline design: THEIA-25
  - 25 kton (17 kton FV)
  - 23k 10" PMTs and 700 8" LAPPDs
  - Designed to fit into DUNE detector caverns

- Ideal design: THEIA-100
  - 100 kton (70 kton FV)
- Size depends on physics and location, and maximum size limited by WbLS transparency



THEIA100

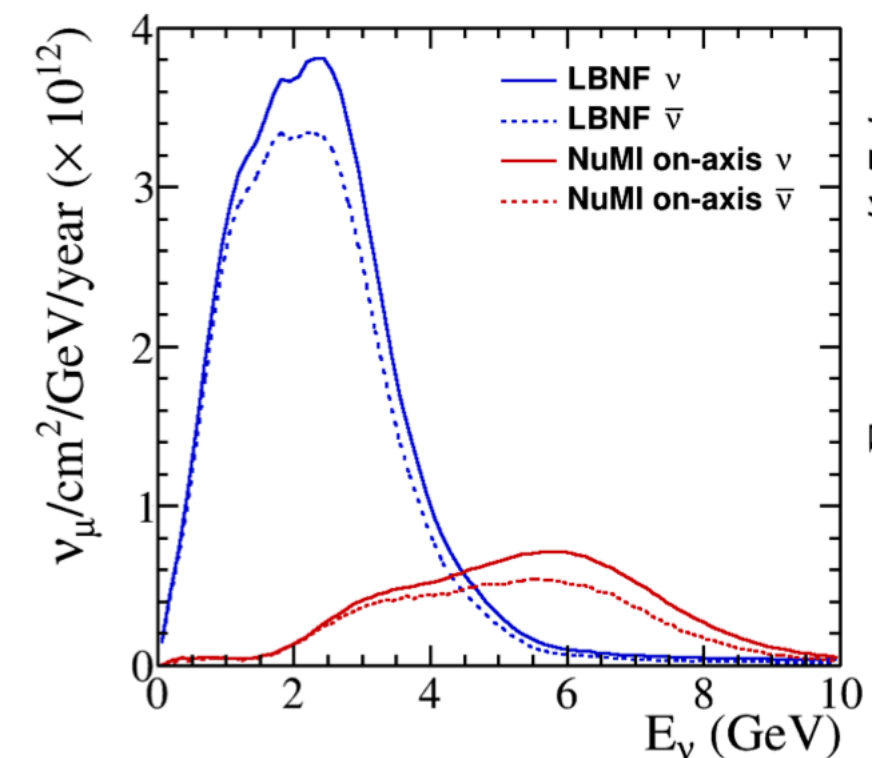
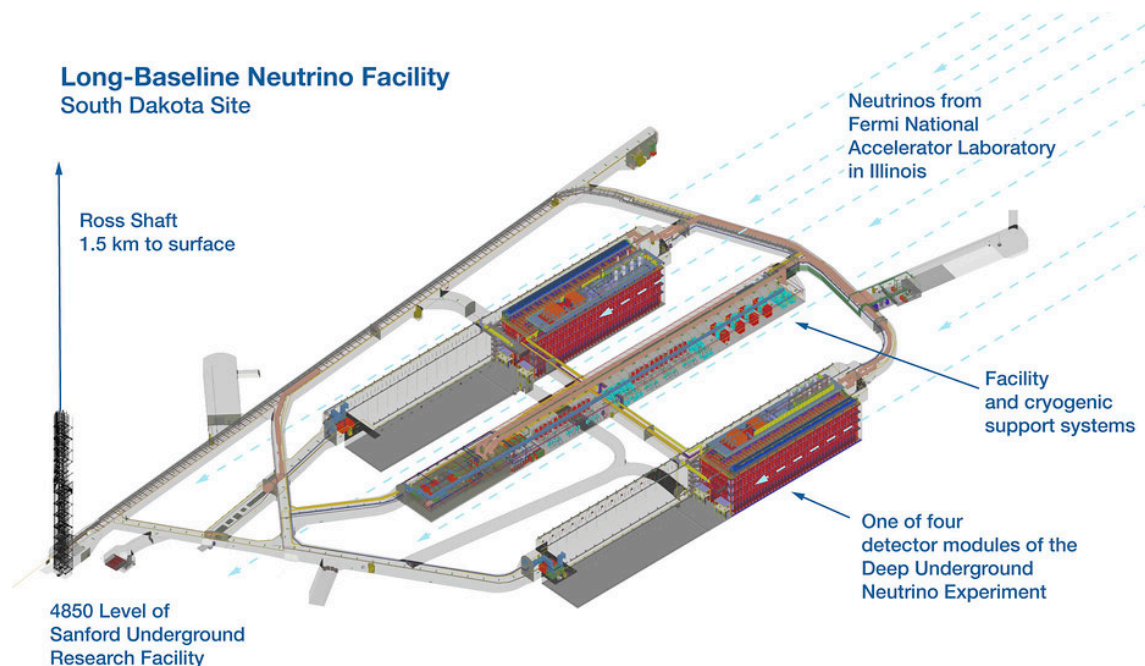
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- Can be upgraded to a multi-ton scale  $0\nu\beta\beta$  search with loaded LS in a suspended vessel



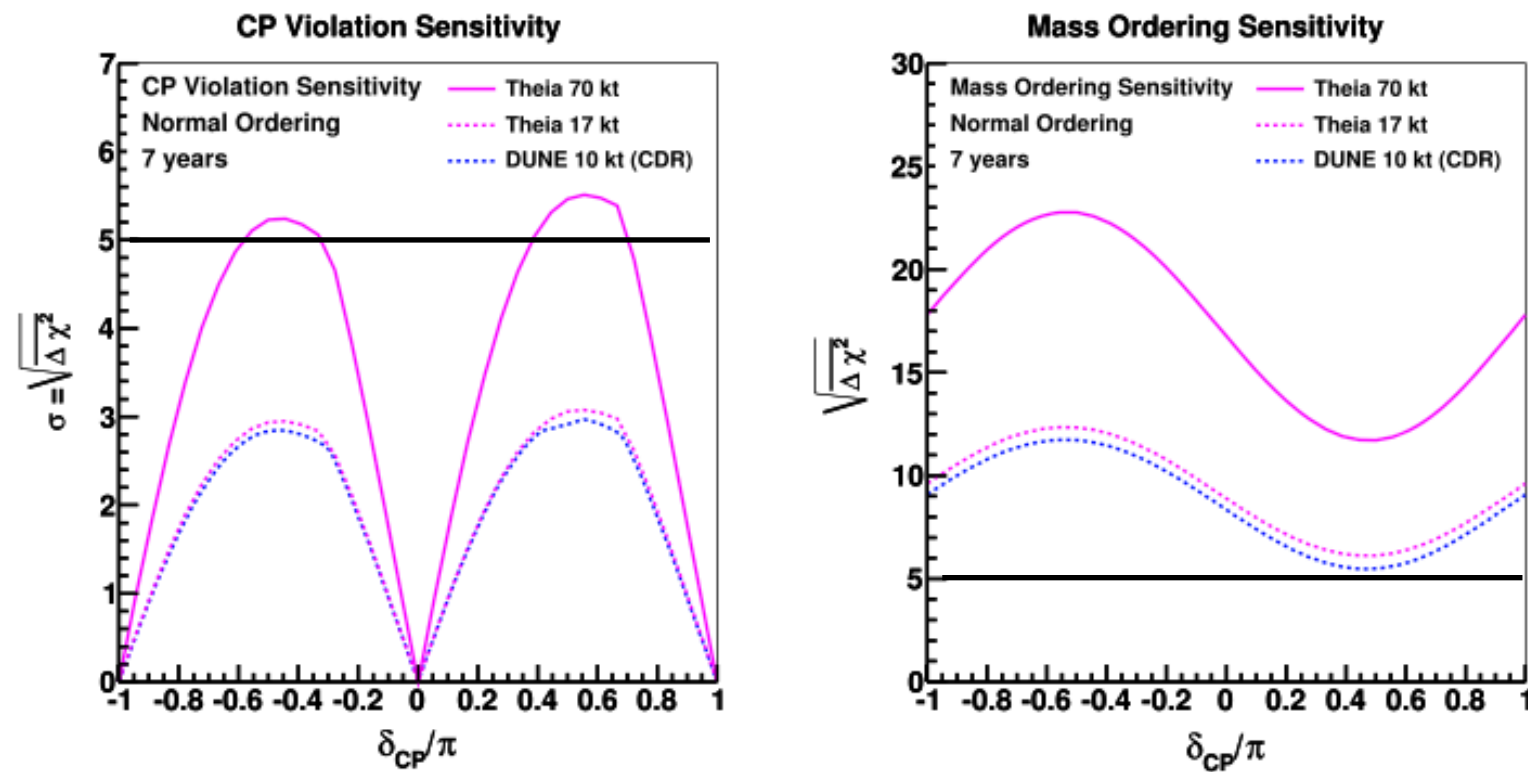
# Location

- Any deep underground lab with neutrino beam
  - (Korea, SURF, etc)
- Favoured site: SURF (DUNE)
  - Overburden 1500 m
  - Baseline 1300 km
- Beam source
  - LBNF
  - >1 MW
  - Neutrino peak at 2~3 GeV



# Sensitivities

- Sensitivities calculated without the advantages of WbLS and fast timing.

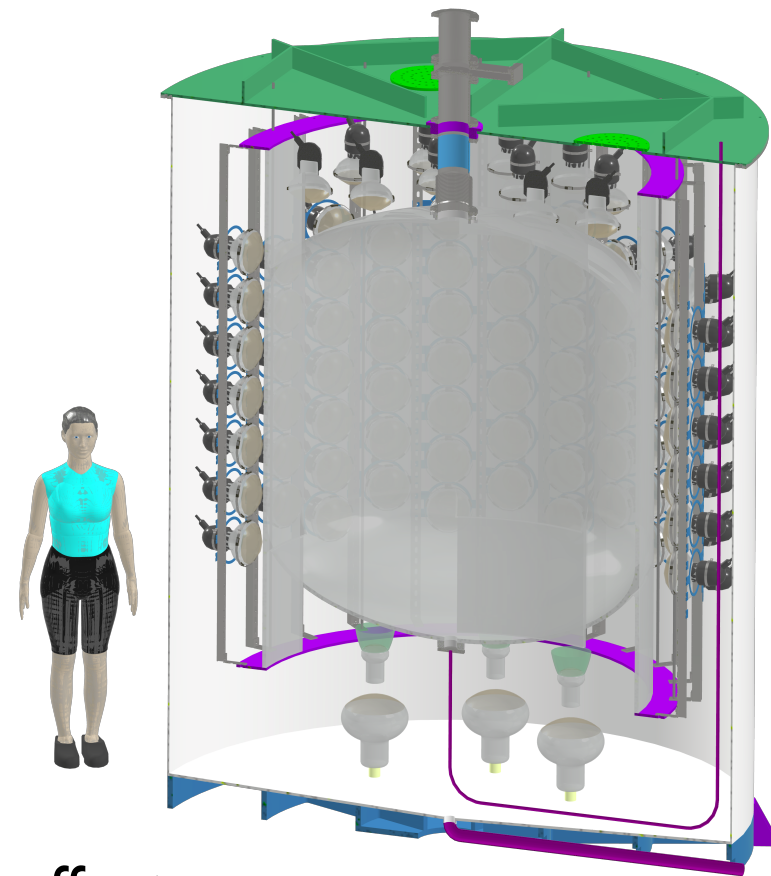


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- THEIA-25 results are equivalent to one DUNE detector module
  - Different set of systematic uncertainties
  - Complementary to DUNE programme

# THEIA Demonstrators

- Eos: To validate models to support large-scale detector performance predictions
  - 4-ton target mass (water, WbLS, LS deployment)
  - 200 8-” PMTs (RI 4688-100, 900ps FWHM)
  - Dichroicon deployment for spectral sorting



- BNL-led effort to construct 30-ton tank for demonstration of WbLS production, transparency and stability



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# Summary

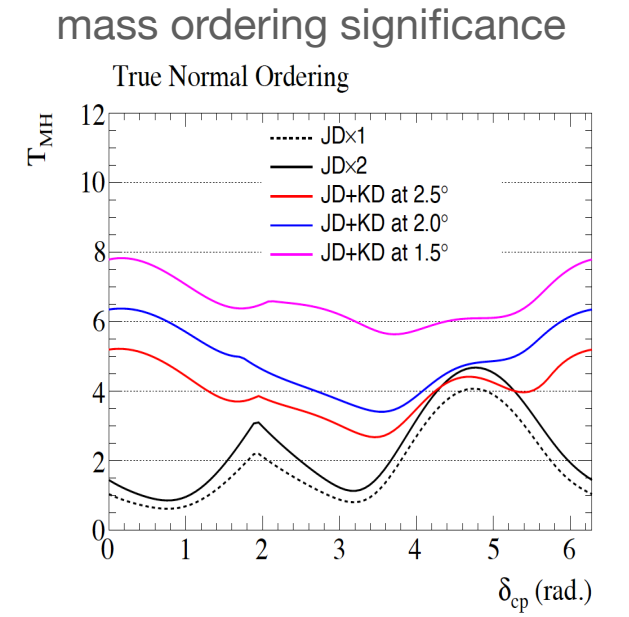
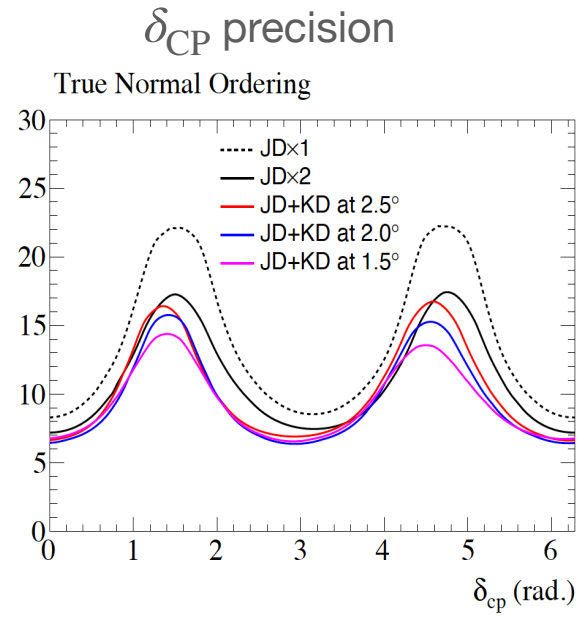
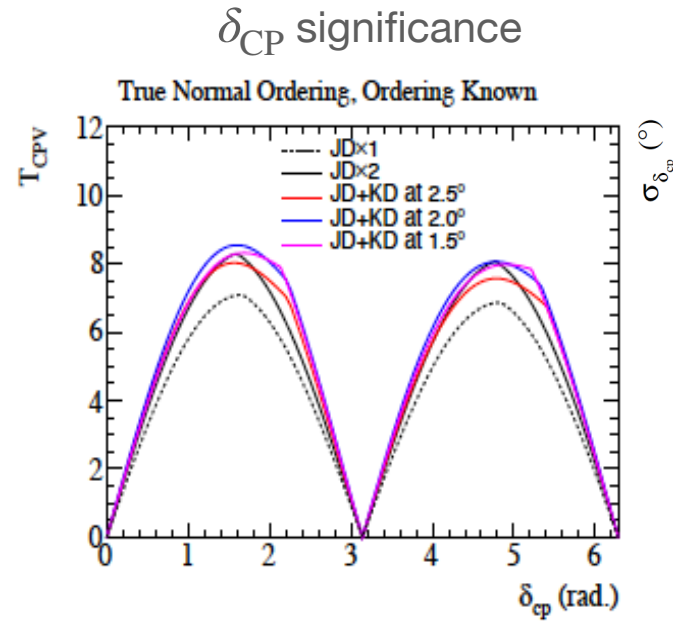
- Large scale long baseline neutrino beam experiments are proposed for precision  $\delta_{CP}$  measurements
- If experiments are built, precision measurement of  $\delta_{CP}$  is possible.

	Type	Far Detector Size	Baseline	overburden	Power	$\nu$ Peak Energy
KNO	WCD	250~500 kt	~1100 km	~1000 m	1.3 MW	0.6 GeV
ESSnuSB	WCD	2 x 360 kt	360/540 km	1500 m	5 MW	0.3 GeV
THEIA	WbLSD	25/100 kt	1300 km	1500 m	>1 MW	2 GeV

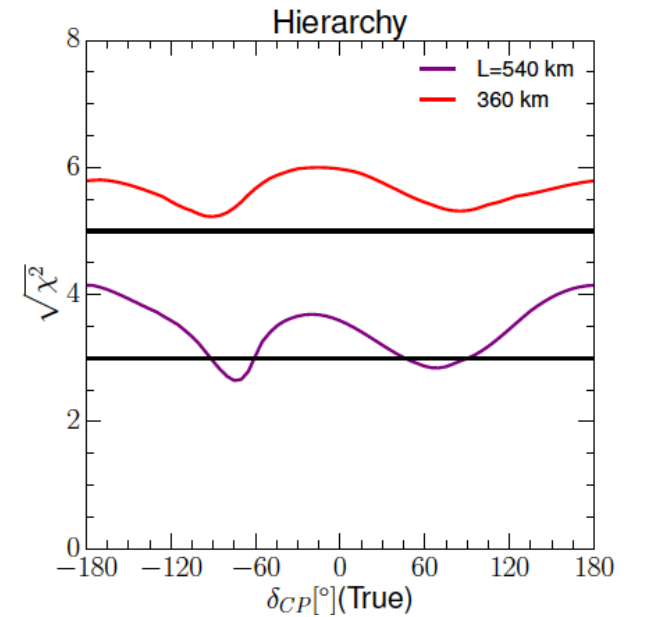
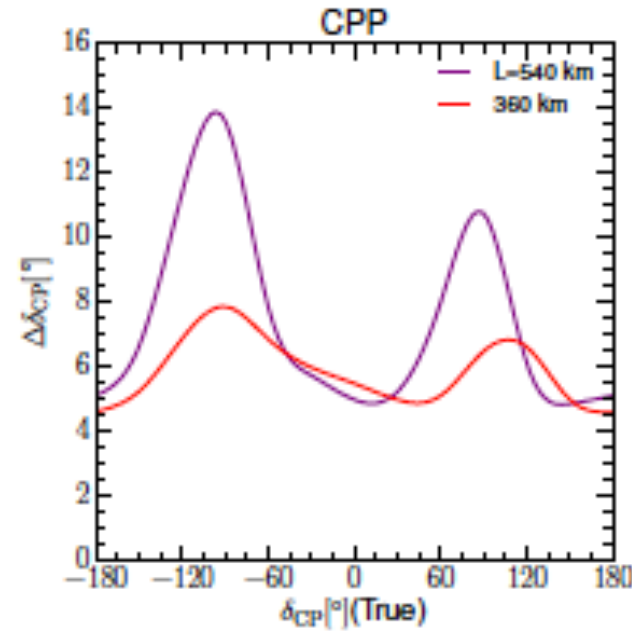
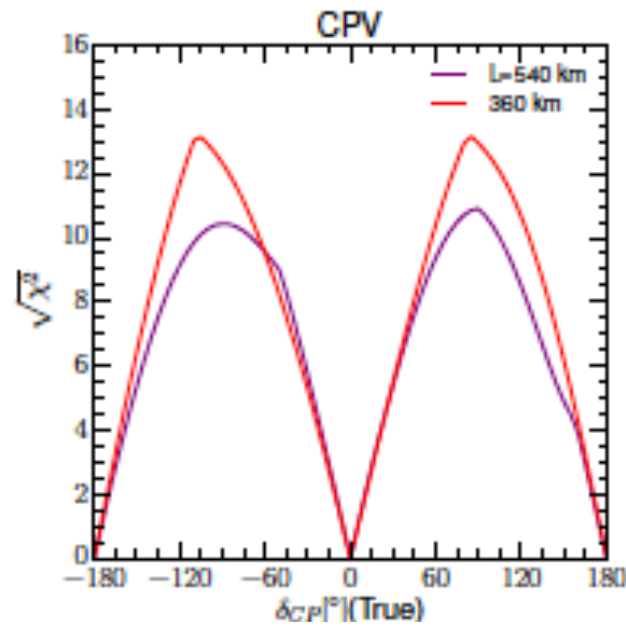


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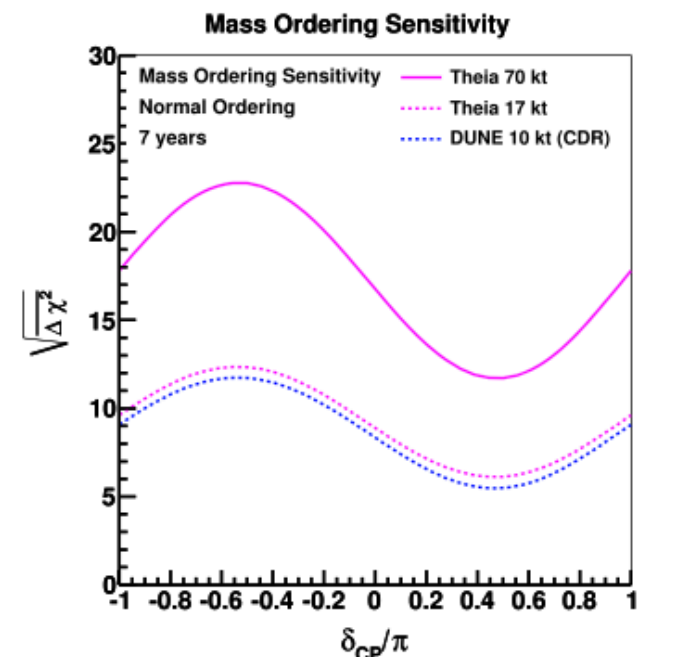
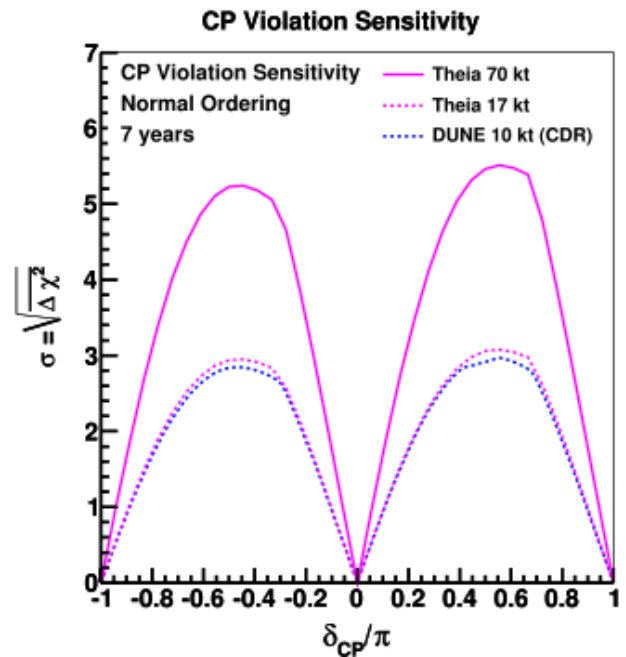
KNO 250 kt  
+HK  
10 yrs



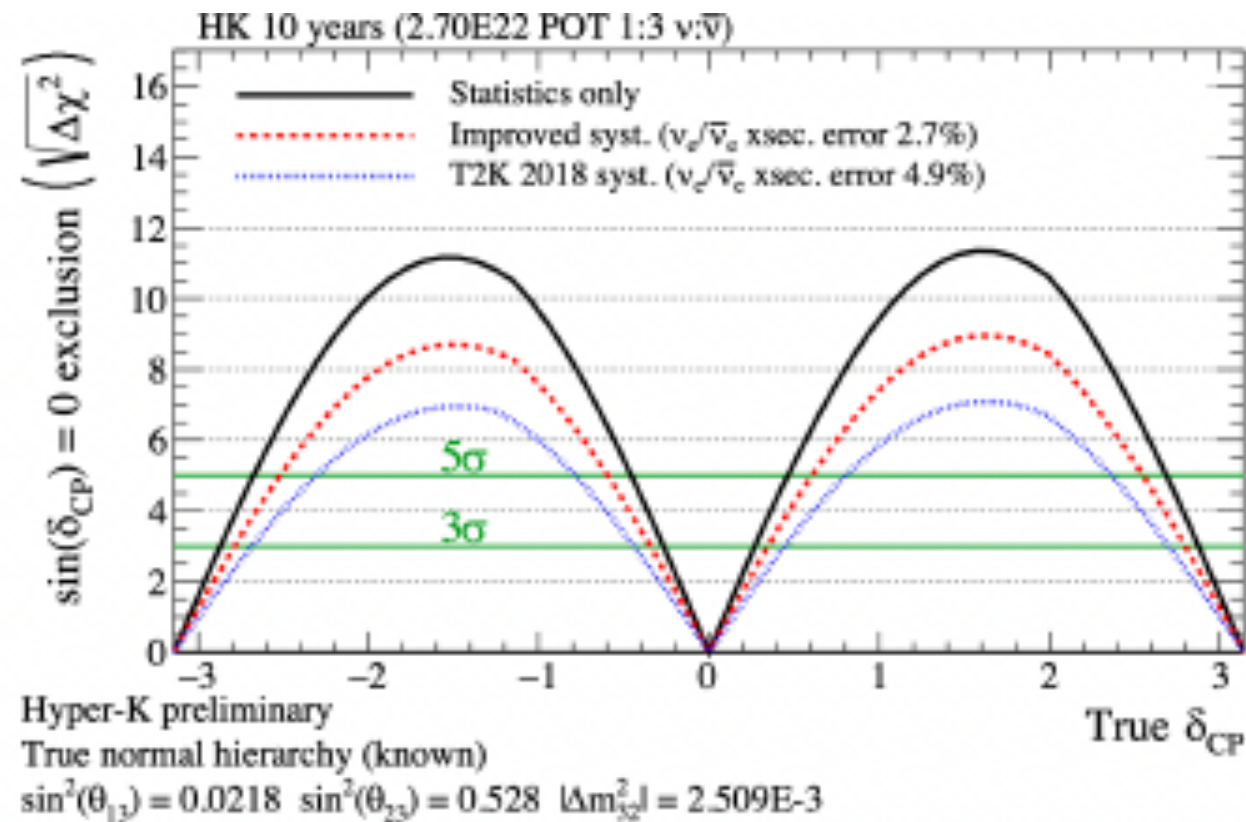
ESSnuSB  
fid. volume 538 kt  
10 yrs



THEIA  
WCD  
7 yrs



# Updated Estimate of HK $\delta_{CP}$ Sensitivity



J.R.Wilson, Journal of Physics: Conference Series 2156 (2022) 012153

# KNO Project Timeline

