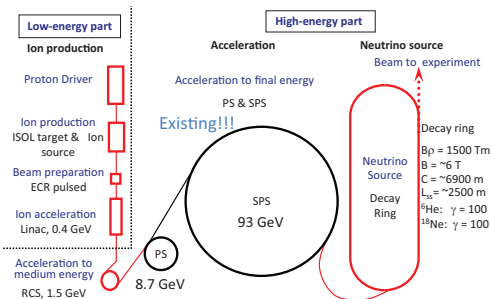


“Beta Beams: the physics case ”



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Higgs scheme	Higgs mechanism for neutrino masses	Unknown (See –Saw?)

$\Delta m_{12}^2 = 7.6 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$
$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.4 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
Sign(Δm_{23}^2): Unknown
Absolute scale: Unknown

To be measured by Long Baseline neutrino oscillation experiments

$$\delta m_{12}^2$$



SOLARS+KAMLAND
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Addressed by a SuperBeam/Nufact experiment

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CHOOZ LIMIT
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LSND/Steriles



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Mass hierarchy



$$\Sigma m_\nu$$



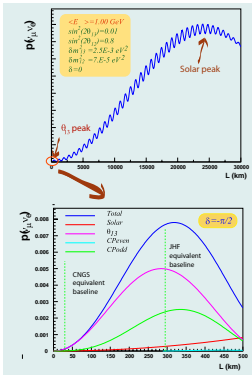
BETA DECAY END POINT

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Dirac/Majorana



Sub leading $\nu_\mu - \nu_e$ oscillations

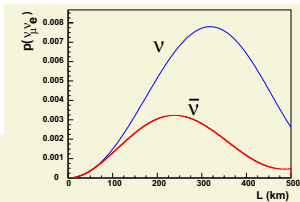


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θ_{13} discovery requires a signal ($\propto \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$) greater than the solar driven probability

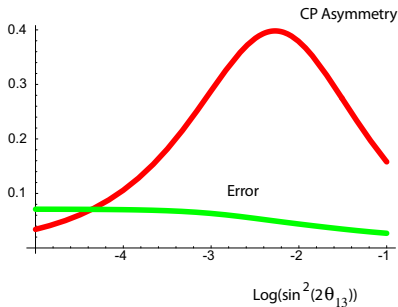
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Measuring Leptonic CP violation

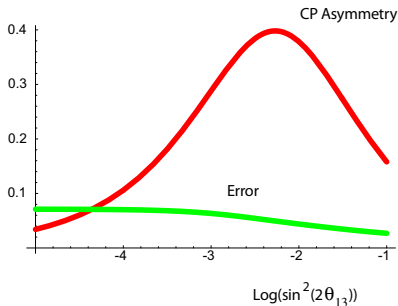
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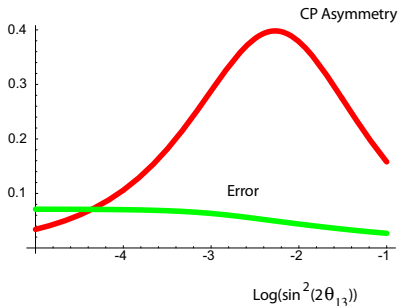


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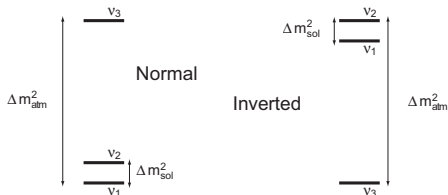


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Measuring mass hierarchy

An internal degree of freedom of neutrino masses is the sign of Δm_{31}^2 : $\text{sign}(\Delta m_{23}^2)$.



This parameter decides how mass eigenstates are coupled to flavor eigenstates with important consequences to direct neutrino mass and double beta decay experiments.

Neutrino Oscillations in Matter

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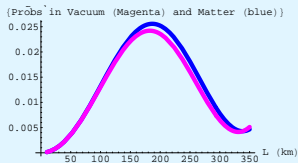
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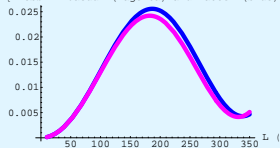
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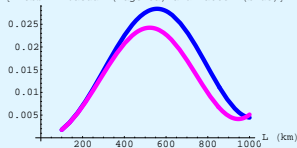
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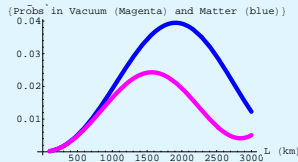
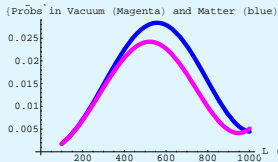
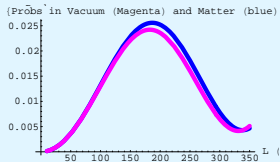
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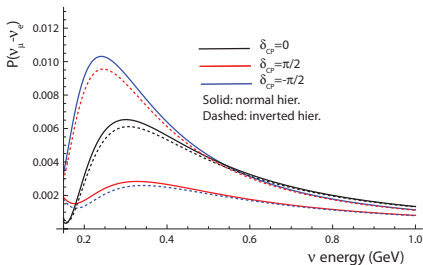
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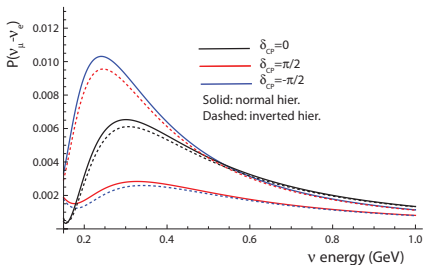
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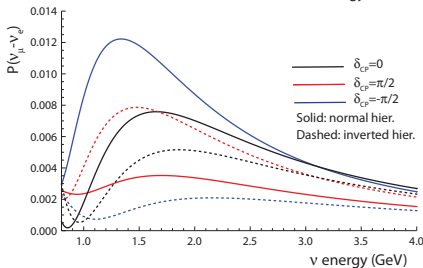
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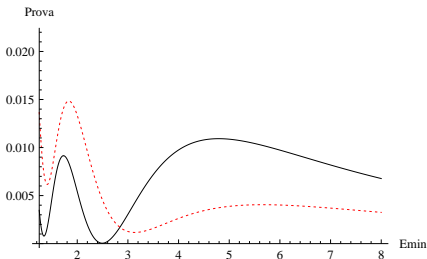
At 730 km matter effects are sizable. Probabilities differ.

Note however as the normal hierarchy $\delta_{\text{CP}} = 0$ probability is very similar to inverse hierarchy $\delta_{\text{CP}} = \pi/2$, \Rightarrow very difficult to experimentally disentangle the two.



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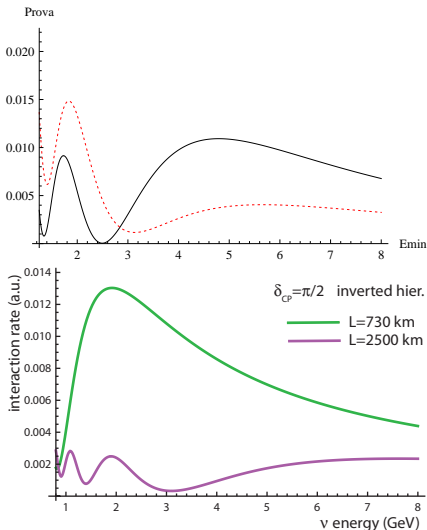
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Do we pay a price for that? Of course yes. Fluxes go like $1/L^2$, \Rightarrow ten time less flux at 2500 km. Partially compensated by the rise of cross sections: $\sigma \propto E$. Lets compare interaction rates $I \propto P \times \sigma \times L^{-2}$



The synergy with atmospheric neutrinos

P. Huber et al., Phys. Rev. D 71, 053006 (2005): Combining Long Baseline data with atmospheric neutrinos (that come for free in the megaton detector):

- Degeneracies can be canceled, allowing for better performances in θ_{13} and LCPV searches
- The neutrino mass hierarchy can be measured
- The θ_{23} octant can be determined.

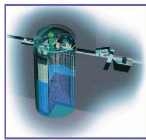
The main reasons are:

- **Octant** e-like events in the Sub-GeV data is $\propto \cos^2 \theta_{23}$
- **Sign** e-like events in the Multi-GeV data, thanks to matter effects, especially for zenith angles corresponding to neutrino trajectories crossing the mantle and core where a resonantly enhancement occurs.

NOTE: LBL and atmospheric neutrinos are a true synergy. They add to each other much more than a simple gain in statistics. Atmospheric neutrinos alone could not measure the hierarchy, the octant, θ_{13} and LCPV. While the Beta Beam at short baselines could not measure the hierarchy as well as the octant.



Double Chooz

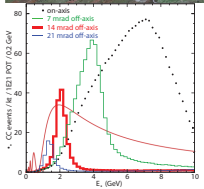
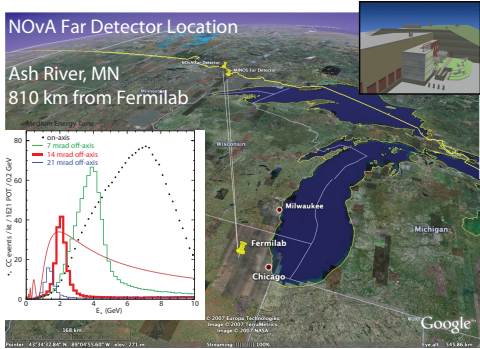


Super-Kamiokande
(ICRR, Univ. Tokyo)



NOVA Far Detector Location

Ash River, MN
810 km from Fermilab

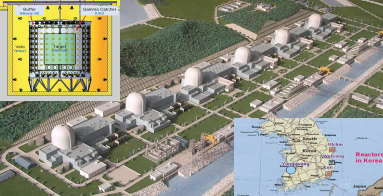
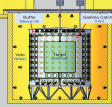


Far site
Overburden: 355 m

Empty detectors: moved to underground halls via access tunnel.
Filled detectors: transported between halls via horizontal tunnels



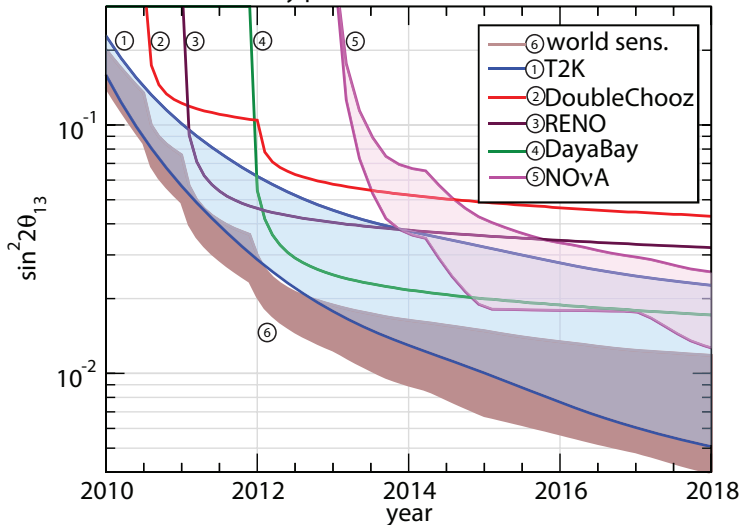
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RENO	Korea	17.3 GW	290/1380	120/450	16/16 ton	~10M\$



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From M.M. and T. Schwetz, arXiv:1003.5800

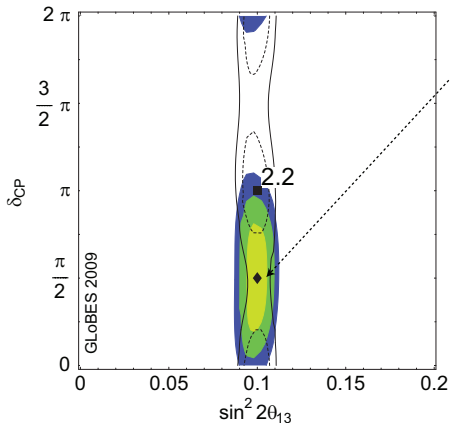
Discovery potential at 3σ for NH



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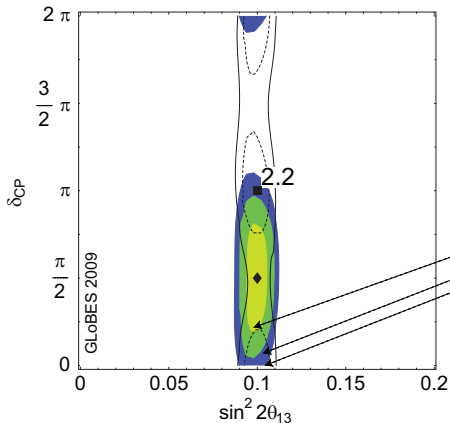


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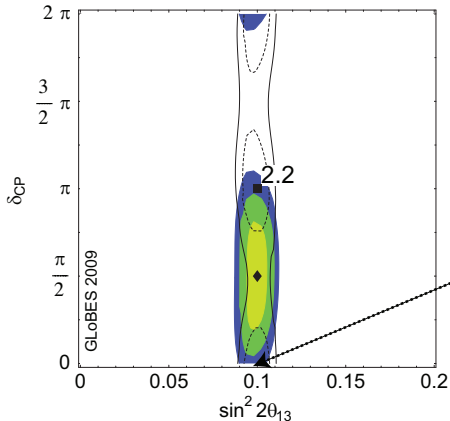
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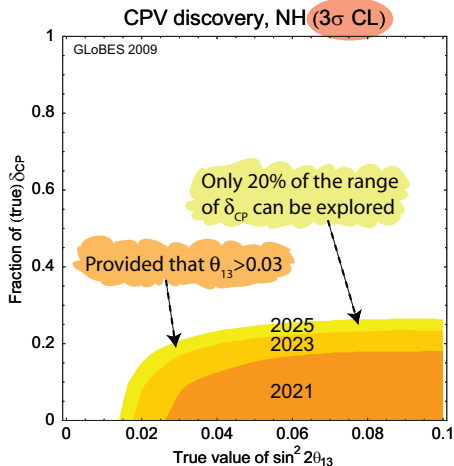
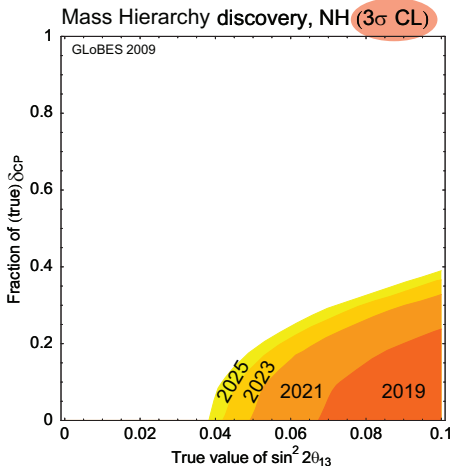
2) Fit to the expected sensitivity of the experiments: 1σ , 2σ , 3σ

3) Null CP is compatible with data already at 2σ

Status after accelerator upgrades

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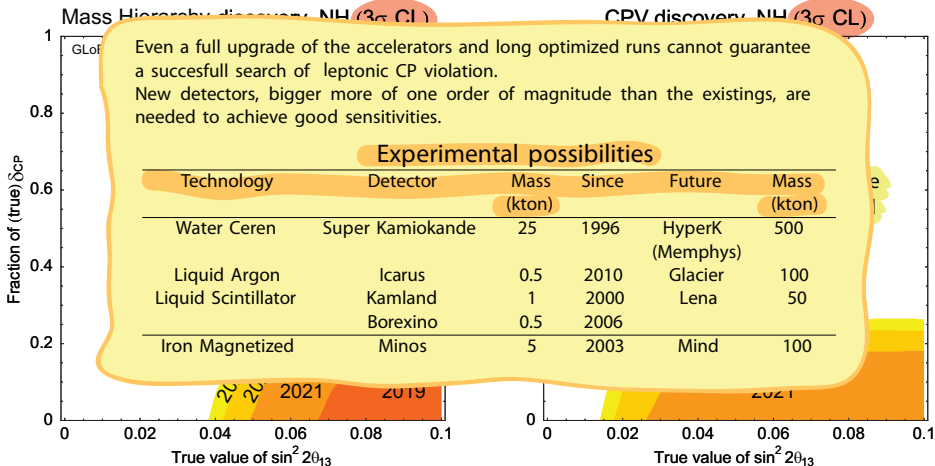
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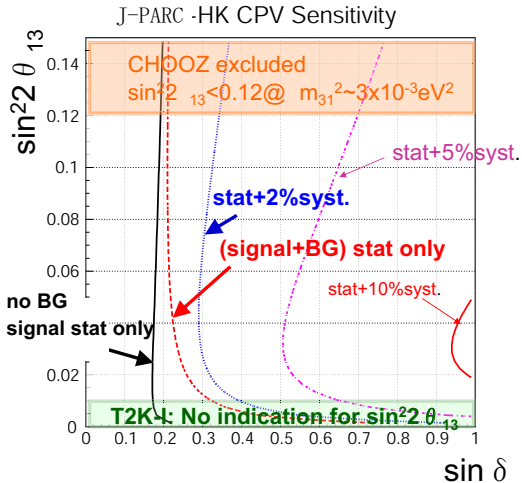


Systematic errors

They could completely destroy leptonic CP violation sensitivity.

Default value are often 5% for SuperBeams, 2% for Neutrino Factory and 2-5% for Beta Beams.

Are them realistic goals? Are close detectors powerful enough?



SuperBeams

$$N_{\text{events}}^{\text{far}} = \left(\sigma_{\nu_e \nu_e} \epsilon_{\nu_e} P_{\nu_\mu \nu_e} + \sigma_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{NC}} \epsilon_{\text{NC}} + \sigma_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{CC}} \epsilon_{\text{CC}} P_{\nu_\mu \nu_\mu} \right) \phi_{\nu_\mu} + \sigma_{\nu_e}^{\text{CC}} \epsilon_{\nu_e} \phi_{\nu_e}$$

$$N_{\text{events}}^{\text{close}} = \left(\sigma_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{NC}} \epsilon'_{\text{NC}} + \sigma_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{CC}} \epsilon'_{\text{CC}} \right) \phi'_{\nu_\mu} + \sigma_{\nu_e}^{\text{CC}} \epsilon_{\nu_e} \phi'_{\nu_e}$$

- The close detector measures the product of fluxes \times cross section \times efficiency
- Reduced ν_e flux: small statistics to determine the cross section
- NC backgrounds must be separated from beam ν_e .

Beta Beams

$$N_{\text{events}}^{\text{far}} = \left(\sigma_{\nu_\mu} \epsilon_{\nu_\mu} P_{\nu_e \nu_\mu} + \sigma_{\nu_e}^{\text{NC}} \epsilon_{\text{NC}} + \sigma_{\nu_e}^{\text{CC}} \epsilon_{\text{CC}} P_{\nu_e \nu_e} \right) \phi_{\nu_e}$$

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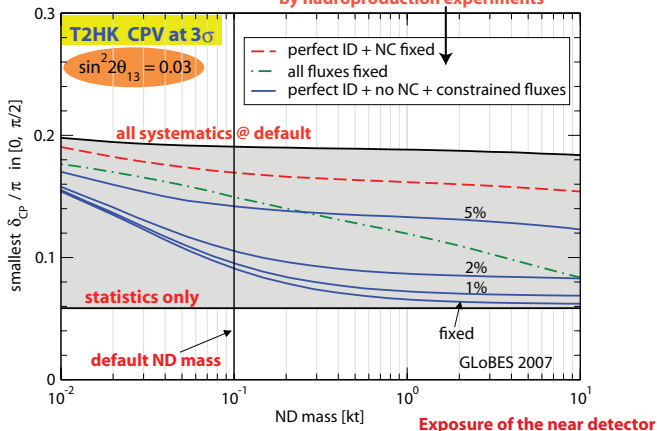
Flux known a priori, no intrinsic contamination (direct measure of NC backgrounds), no problems with the close-far extrapolation BUT no events to measure signal (ν_μ) cross sections.

Systematic errors and their pulls

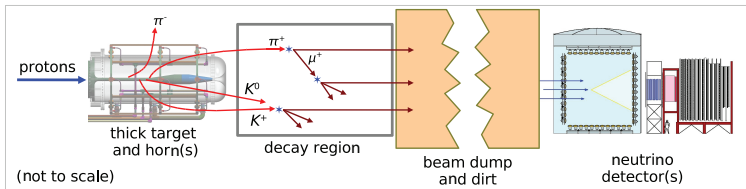
Computed for T2HK sensitivity on LCPV at $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.03$

From P. Huber, MM, T. Schwetz, JHEP **0803** (2008) 021 [arXiv:0711.2950 [hep-ph]].

Some hypothesis about near detector performances and ancillary data by hadroproduction experiments



Conventional neutrino beams are going to hit their ultimate limitations.



In a **conventional neutrino beam**, neutrinos are produced SECONDARY particle decays (mostly pions and kaons).

Given the short life time of the pions ($2.6 \cdot 10^{-8}$ s), they can only be focused (and charge selected) by means of magnetic horns. Then they are let to decay in a decay tunnel, short enough to prevent most of the muon decays.

- Besides the main component (ν_μ) at least 3 other neutrino flavors are present ($\bar{\nu}_\mu, \nu_e, \bar{\nu}_e$), generated by wrong sign pions, kaons and muon decays. ν_e contamination is a background for θ_{13} and δ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ contamination dilutes any CP asymmetry.
- Hard to predict the details of the neutrino beam starting from the primary proton beam, the problems being on the secondary particle production side.

All these limitations are overcome if secondary particles become primary

Collect, focus and accelerate the neutrino parents at a given energy. This is impossible within the pion lifetime, but can be attempted within the muon lifetime (**Neutrino Factories**) or within some radioactive ion lifetime (**Beta Beams**):

- Just one flavor in the beam
- Energy shape defined by just two parameters: the endpoint energy of the beta decay and the γ of the parent ion.
- Flux normalization given by the number of ions circulating in the decay ring.
- Beam divergence given by γ .

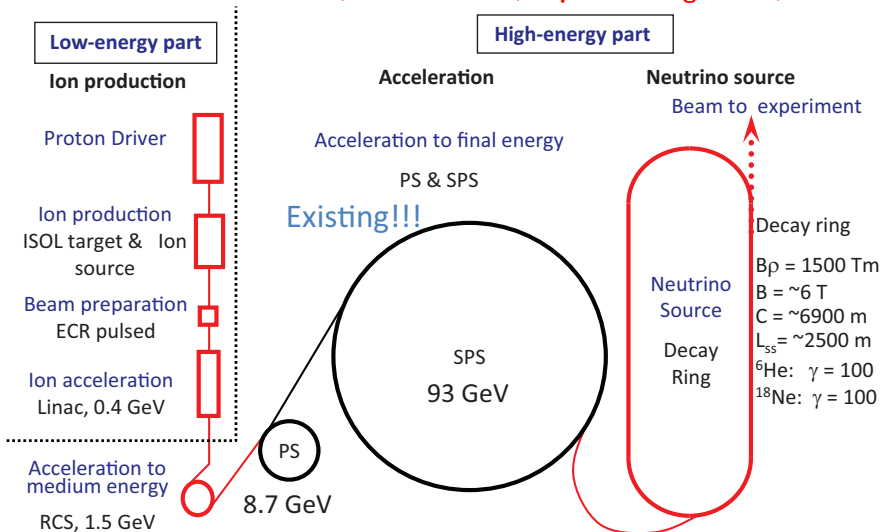
Distinctive features of Beta Beams

... for the limitations see tiny notes in the next slides ...

- Don't need a magnetized detector \Rightarrow make use of next generation megaton water Cherenkov detectors or 100 kton liquid argons.
- Can re-use part of the CERN accelerator complex (this can be seen as a limitation)
- Synergies with Nuclear Physics (share an intense radioactive ion source), SPL Super Beam (two neutrino beams in the same detector), atmospheric neutrinos (physics case of both beams greatly enhanced by this synergy).
- An evolving concept with several interesting possible upgrades.

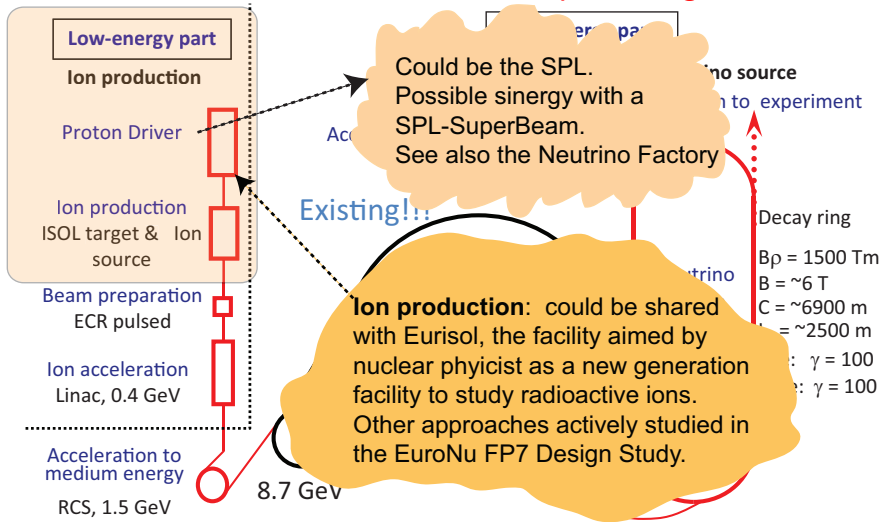
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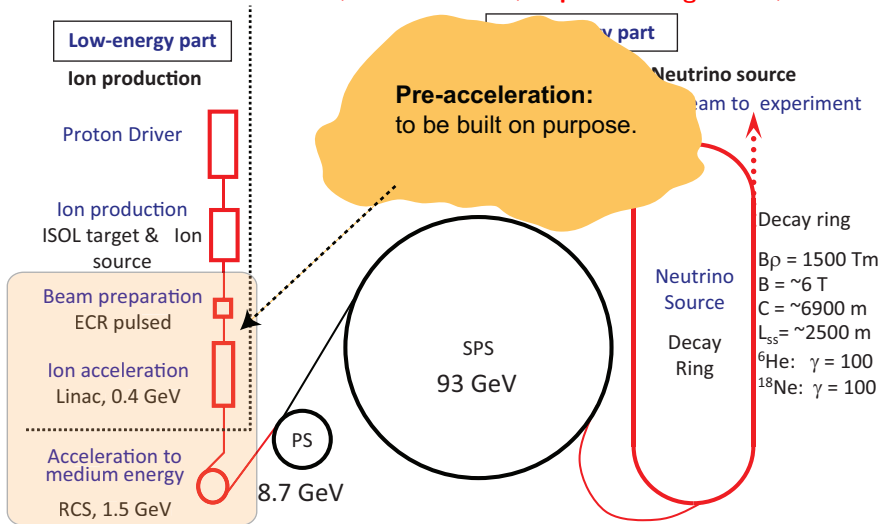
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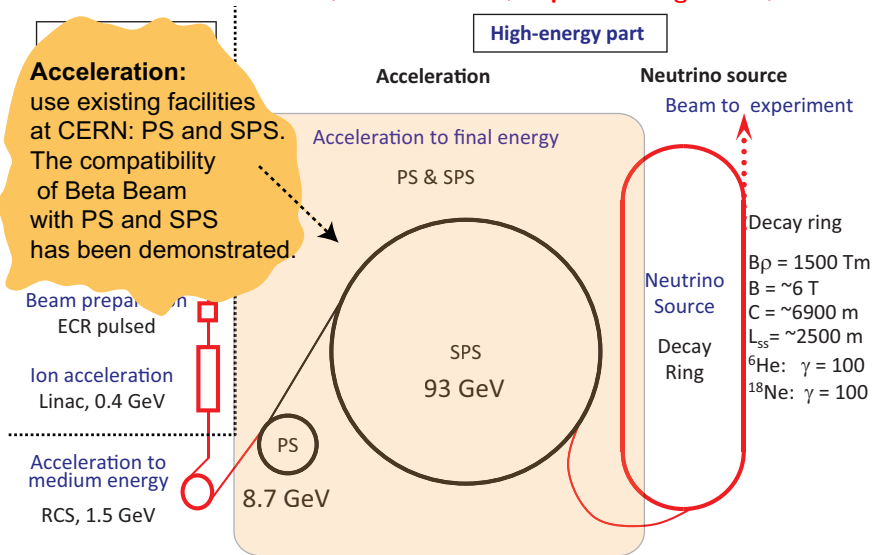
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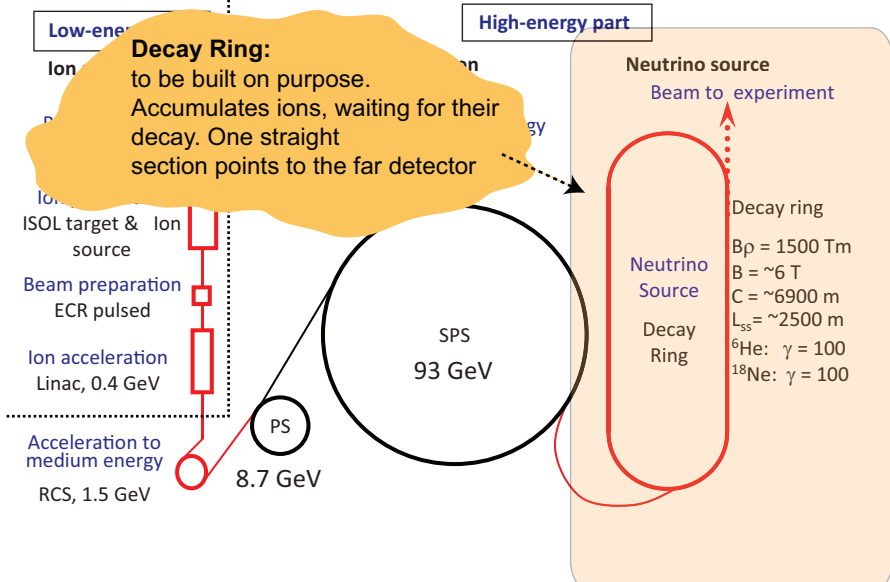
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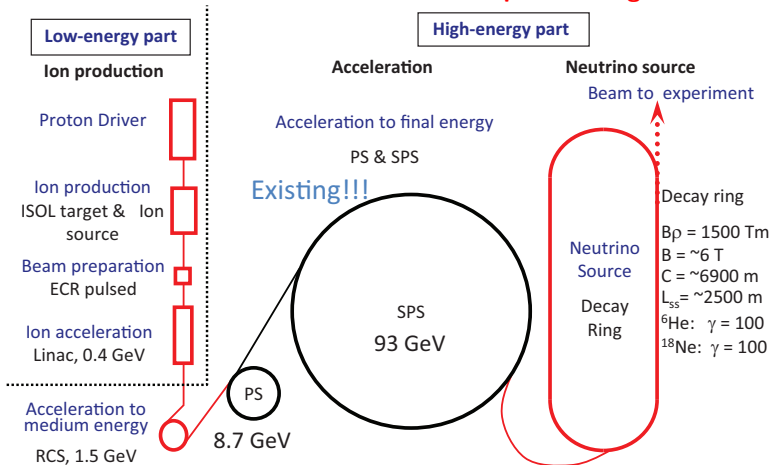
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- $\bar{\nu}_e$ generated by He^6 , $100 \mu\text{A}$, $\Rightarrow 2.9 \cdot 10^{18}$ ion decays/straight session/year.
- ν_e generated by Ne^{18} , $100 \mu\text{A}$, $\Rightarrow 1.1 \cdot 10^{18}$ ion decays/straight session/year.

Possible β^- emitters ($\bar{\nu}_e$)

Isotope	Z	A	A/Z	$T_{1/2}$	$Q_{\beta} (gs>gs)$	$Q_{\beta} \text{ eff.}$	$E_{\beta \text{ av.}}$	$E_{\nu \text{ av.}}$	$\langle E_{\text{LAB}} \rangle$ (MeV)
				s	MeV	MeV	MeV	MeV	(@ 450 GeV/p)
6He	2	6	3.0	0.807	3.5	3.5	1.57	1.94	582
8He	2	8	4.0	0.119	10.7	9.1	4.35	4.80	1079
8Li	3	8	2.7	0.838	16.0	13.0	6.24	6.72	2268
9Li	3	9	3.0	0.178	13.6	11.9	5.73	6.20	1860
11Be	4	11	2.8	13.81	11.5	9.8	4.65	5.11	1671
15C	6	15	2.5	2.449	9.8	6.4	2.87	3.55	1279
16C	6	16	2.7	0.747	8.0	4.5	2.05	2.46	830
16N	7	16	2.3	7.13	10.4	5.9	4.59	1.33	525
17N	7	17	2.4	4.173	8.7	3.8	1.71	2.10	779
18N	7	18	2.6	0.624	13.9	8.0	5.33	2.67	933
23Ne	10	23	2.3	37.24	4.4	4.2	1.90	2.31	904
25Ne	10	25	2.5	0.602	7.3	6.9	3.18	3.73	1344
25Na	11	25	2.3	59.1	3.8	3.4	1.51	1.90	750
26Na	11	26	2.4	1.072	9.3	7.2	3.34	3.81	1450

From P..Zucchelli talk at Nufact 03. Table compiled by U. Koster

Possible β^+ emitters (ν_e)

Isotope	Z	A	A/Z	$T_{1/2}$ s	Q_{β} (gs>gs) MeV	Q_{β} eff. MeV	E_{β} av. MeV	E_{ν} av. MeV	<E_LAB> (MeV) (@450 GeV/p)
8B	5	8	1.6	0.77	17.0	13.9	6.55	7.37	4145
10C	6	10	1.7	19.3	2.6	1.9	0.81	1.08	585
14O	8	14	1.8	70.6	4.1	1.8	0.78	1.05	538
15O	8	15	1.9	122.2	1.7	1.7	0.74	1.00	479
18Ne	10	18	1.8	1.67	3.4	3.4	1.50	1.86	930
19Ne	10	19	1.9	17.34	2.2	2.2	0.96	1.25	594
21Na	11	21	1.9	22.49	2.5	2.5	1.10	1.41	662
33Ar	18	33	1.8	0.173	10.6	8.2	3.97	4.19	2058
34Ar	18	34	1.9	0.845	5.0	5.0	2.29	2.67	1270
35Ar	18	35	1.9	1.775	4.9	4.9	2.27	2.65	1227
37K	19	37	1.9	1.226	5.1	5.1	2.35	2.72	1259
80Rb	37	80	2.2	34	4.7	4.5	2.04	2.48	1031

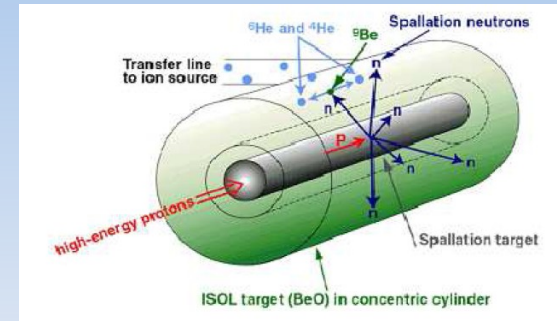
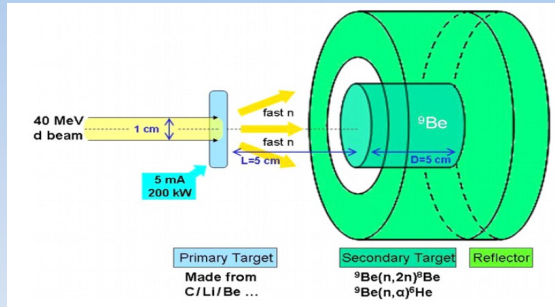
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Some scaling laws in Beta Beams

β^+ emitters			β^- emitters		
Ion	Q_{eff} (MeV)	Z/A	Ion	Q_{eff} (MeV)	Z/A
^{18}Ne	3.30	5/9	^6He	3.508	1/3
^8B	13.92	5/8	^8Li	12.96	3/8

- Proton accelerators can accelerate ions up to $Z/A \times$ the proton energy.
- Lorentz boost: end point of neutrino energy $\Rightarrow 2\gamma Q$
- In the CM neutrinos are emitted isotropically \Rightarrow neutrino beam from accelerated ions gets more collimated $\propto \gamma^2$
- Merit factor for an experiment at the atmospheric oscillation maximum: $\mathcal{M} = \frac{\gamma}{Q}$
- Ion lifetime must be:
 - As long as possible: to avoid ion decays during acceleration
 - As short as possible: to avoid to accumulate too many ions in the decay ring \Rightarrow optimal window: lifetimes around 1 s.
- Decay ring length scales $\propto \gamma$, following the magnetic rigidity of the ions.
- Two body decay kinematics : going off-axis the neutrino energy changes (feature used in some ECB setup and in the low energy setup)

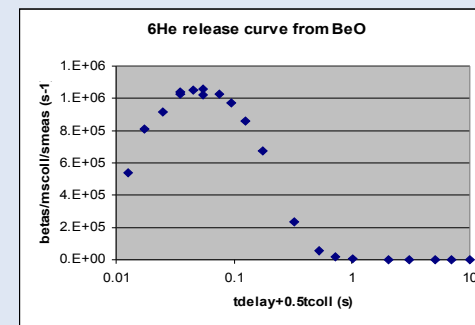
Production of ${}^6\text{He}$ ions for beta beams



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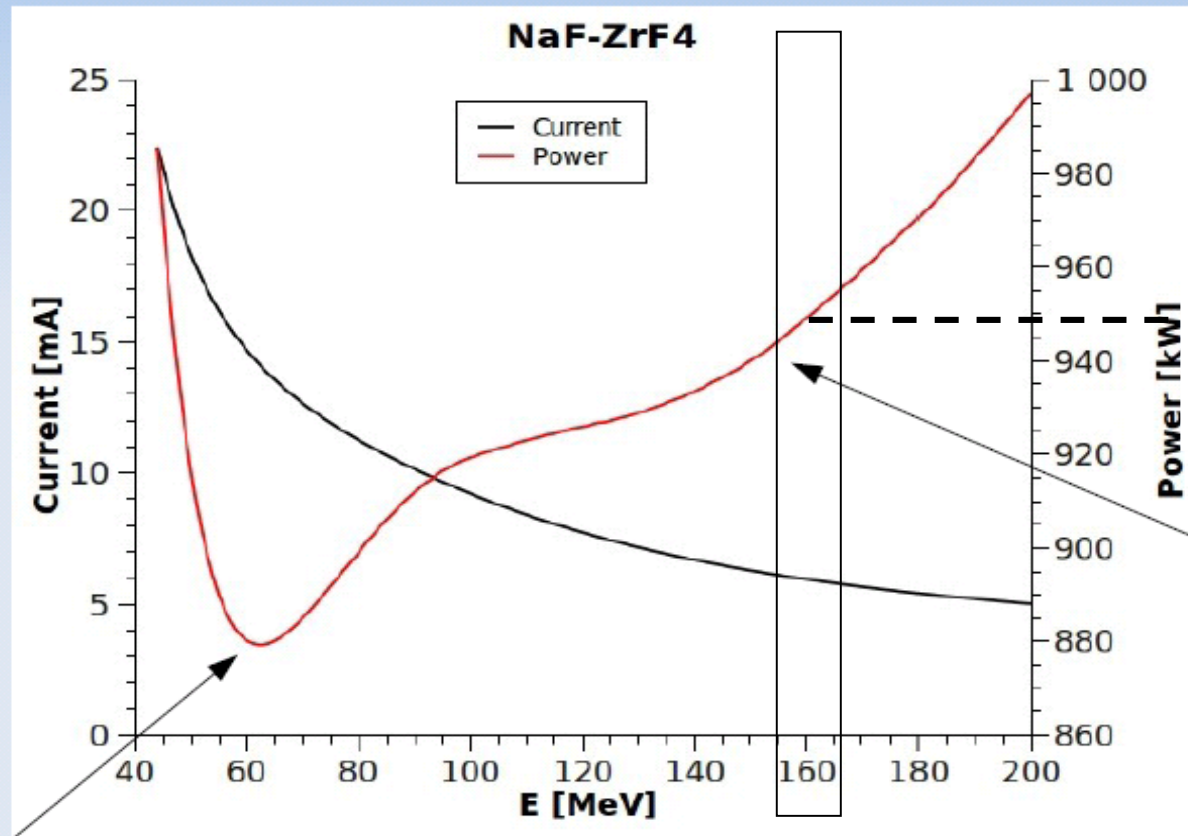
10^{14} ${}^6\text{He}/\text{s}$ 200 kW, 2 GeV proton beam in-target production. 50 – 90% extraction efficiency from realistic big targets (reduced scale experiment done at CERN-ISOLDE to confirm these numbers; Weizmann, GANIL and CERN collaboration).

Numbers have now been carefully checked. 1 kW of 1-2 GeV protons produces more ${}^6\text{He}$ than 1 kW of 40 MeV deuterons.



Production of ^{18}Ne ions for beta beams

The beam current and power for a constant yield $10^{13} \text{ }^{18}\text{Ne/s}$



Sub MW target
(ca 700kW in target)
Challenging,
But within reach

Upgraded
LINAC 4

6mA, 160MeV

Lowest power

EUROnu week in Strasbourg - IPHC

P. Valko - CERN

Where do we stand for BaseLine ion production for beta beams

- ♦ ${}^6\text{He}$

Can be produced with (*a variant of*) SPL 200kW, 2 GeV Linac : synergies with a future Radioactive Ion Beam facility at CERN (light EURISOL or super-ISOLDE).

- ♦ ${}^{18}\text{Ne}$

Could be produced with upgraded Linac4.
This project is stopped at present.

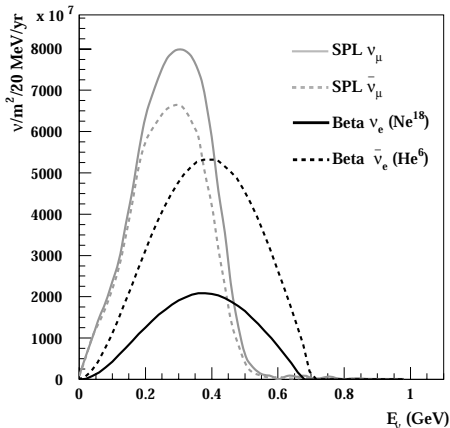
Boundary conditions:

- CERN SPS can accelerate ${}^6\text{He}$ up to $\gamma = 150 \Rightarrow E_\nu \simeq 0.5\text{GeV}$
 \Rightarrow baselines within 300 km.
- The only viable candidate to host a megaton detector is Frejus lab, 130 km away from CERN

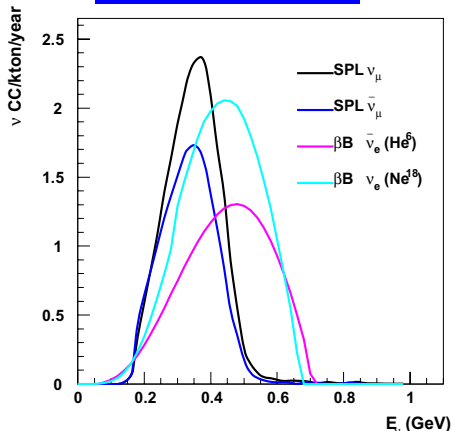
Optimal γ : $\gamma = 100$.

This is the option studied by the Eurisol design study and now by the EuroNu design study

Yearly Fluxes



CC rates, 440 kton/yr



	Fluxes @ 130 km $\nu/m^2/\text{yr}$	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$ (GeV)	CC rate (no osc) events/kton/yr	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$ (GeV)	Years	Integrated events (4400 kton/yr)
SPL Super Beam						
ν_μ	$11.80 \cdot 10^{11}$	0.29	121.7	0.36	2	107127
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$9.66 \cdot 10^{11}$	0.28	23.1	0.35	8	81164
Beta Beam						
$\bar{\nu}_e$ ($\gamma = 100$)	$10.92 \cdot 10^{11}$	0.40	46.0	0.46	5	101262
ν_e ($\gamma = 100$)	$4.06 \cdot 10^{11}$	0.38	65.4	0.44	5	143887

Experimental strategy

Beta Beam signal is ν_μ appearance.

To profit of the no-background beam, detector backgrounds should be taken at minimum:

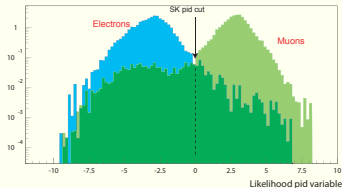
- ν_e events mis-identified as ν_μ events
- Charged pions from NC and NC-like ν_e interactions mis-identified as muons.
- Atmospheric neutrinos

As described in the following, background reduction will not rely on kinematical cuts.

Particle identification and signal efficiency

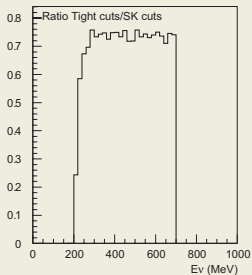
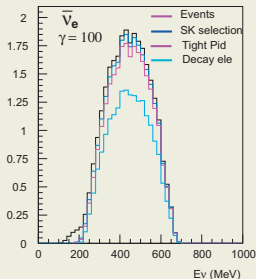
Electron/muon misidentification must be suppressed much more than in standard SK analysis to guarantee a negligible background level.

Pid in SK is performed through a Likelihood, $Pid > 0$ identifies muons. Use $Pid > 1$



To further suppress electron background ask for the signal of the Michel electron from μ decay. Final efficiency for positive muons. Negative muons have an efficiency smaller by $\sim 22\%$ because they can be absorbed before decaying.

Electron mis-identification suppressed to $\sim 10^{-5}$.



Energy reconstruction for beam neutrinos

Slide of K. Nishikawa

Select single ring events and assume they are Quasi Elastic

$\nu_{\mu} + n \rightarrow \mu + p$

μ^{-} (E_{μ}, p_{μ})

θ_{μ}

p

ν

◇ **CC QE**

◇ can reconstruct $E_{\nu} \leftarrow (\theta_{\mu}, p_{\mu})$

$$E_{\nu}^{\text{rec}} = \frac{m_N E_{\mu} - m_{\mu}^2 / 2}{m_N - E_{\mu} + p_{\mu} \cos \theta_{\mu}}$$

$\delta E \sim 60 \text{ MeV}$ $\delta E/E \sim 10\%$

Single ring non Quasi Elastic are badly measured

$\nu_{\mu} + n \rightarrow \mu + p + \pi$

μ^{-} (E_{μ}, p_{μ})

θ_{μ}

π 's p

ν

$\nu_{\mu} + n \rightarrow \nu + p + \pi$'s

ν

π 's p

◇ bkg. for E_{ν} measurement

High energy part

◇ bkg. for e-appearance

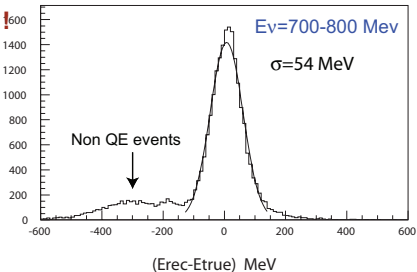
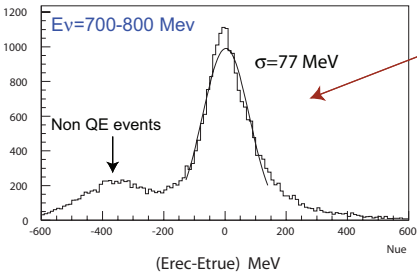
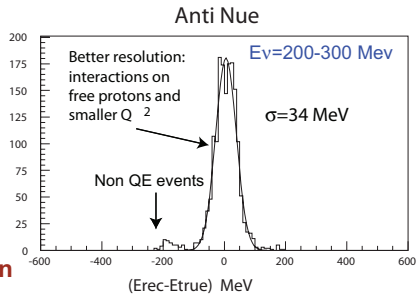
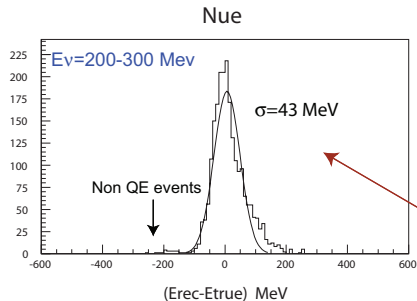
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Beta Beams

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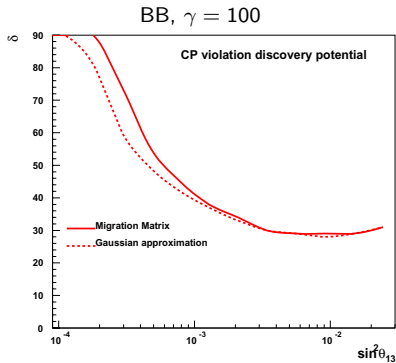
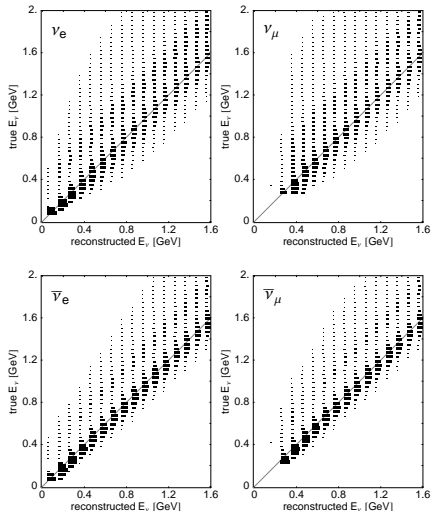
Goodness of energy reconstruction



better resolution at lower energies!

Migration Matrixes

A gaussian assumption for energy resolution is a too crude approximation

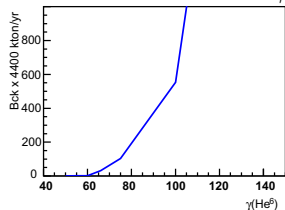


The pion background

The pions generated in NC events can fake the muon signal.

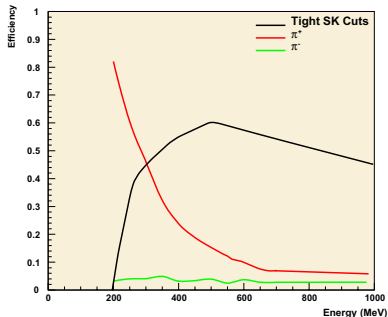
They are the main concern at high gammas.

Pion backgrounds as function of γ



To estimate these backgrounds

- Generate CC and NC events with Nuance
- Count events with a pion and no other track above the Čerenkov threshold (single ring events)
- Apply the tight pid cuts of SuperKamiokande
- Follow pions in water (Geant 3.21) to compute the probability for $\pi \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow e$.
- Reconstruct the neutrino energy from the survived pions treating them as the signal **MUONS**



The pion background (cont.)

Ne18 $\gamma=100$

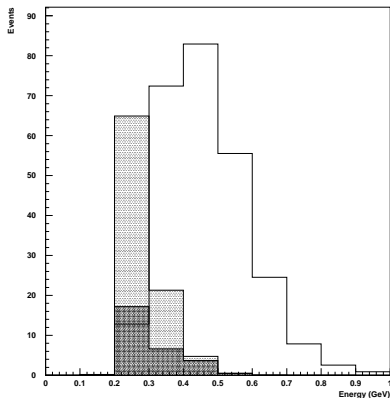
Pion reduction

$\pi^+ + \pi^-$ generated

Tight pid cuts

Decay to electron

Momentum (Mev/c)



A very important cross check

Chizuelshihara, arXiv:0912.1002v2

Beta Beam signals and backgrounds recalculated with the SuperKamiokande analysis tools: full simulation and full reconstruction.

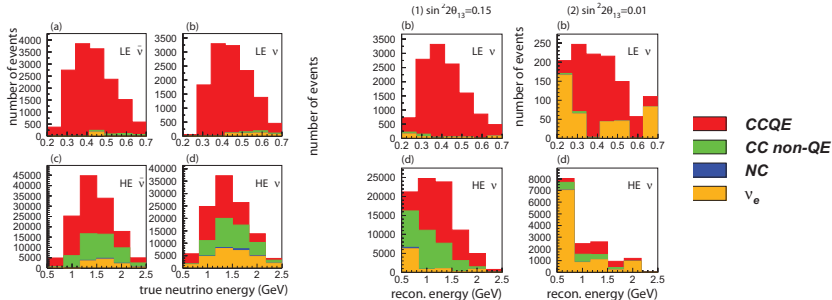


Figure 3: The final sample neutrino true energy distributions for each beam type, in case of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.15$. The different event types are shown in different colors as shown right side.

Figure 4: (1) are the reconstructed energy distributions in case of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.15$. (2) are in case of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.01$.

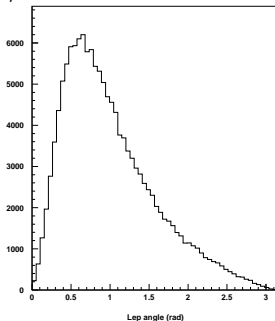
Atmospheric neutrino background

Why are they dangerous?

Atmospheric neutrinos come in two flavors: ν_e and ν_μ so they can fake any signal.

Their energy spectrum fully covers Beta Beam spectrum.

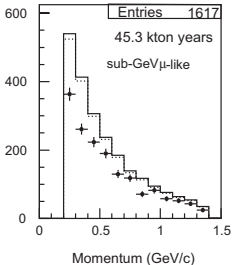
They don't necessary come from the decay ring, but outgoing lepton direction is loosely correlated with the neutrino energy direction in QE events.



The only viable tool to keep them at a negligible rate is to keep very short the live time of the neutrino beam. This is a tight requirement for the Beta Beam accelerator complex.

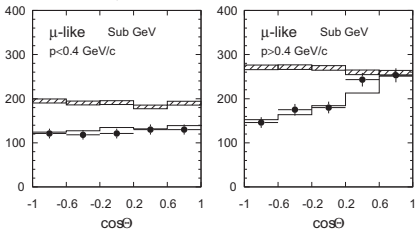
Question: why atmospheric neutrinos are not a great concern at T2K phase 1, that has much smaller signal neutrino fluxes?

Atmospheric neutrino background

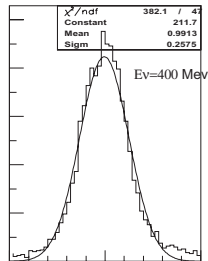


Sub-GeV μ -like events in SK integrated over the solid angle. 45.3 kton year exposure

Sub-GeV μ -like events zenithal distribution



Event direction resolution at 400 MeV. Take $\pm 2\sigma$ as acceptance, equivalent to $\pm 40^\circ$. Solid angle reduced to 1/8



True-Reconstructed ν direction

Kamioka to Frejus flux correction: + 20%

Signal efficiency with respect to standard SK algorithms: 54% (flat in energy)

A duty cycle of 1% would keep the atmospheric background rate below the pion bkg rate (Eurisol DS duty cycle: 0.45%).

The cross sections problem

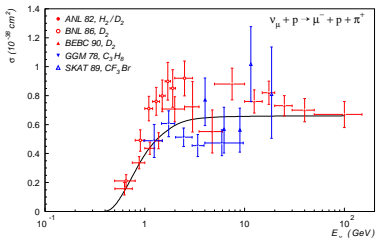
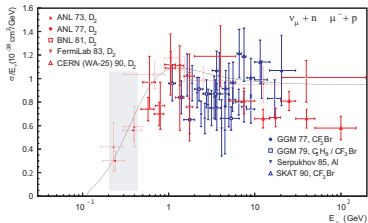
Neutrino cross-sections are poorly measured around 300 MeV.

Nuclear effects are very important at these energies. No surprise that different MonteCarlo codes predict rates with a 50% spread.

On the other hand: Beta Beam is the ideal place where to measure neutrino cross sections

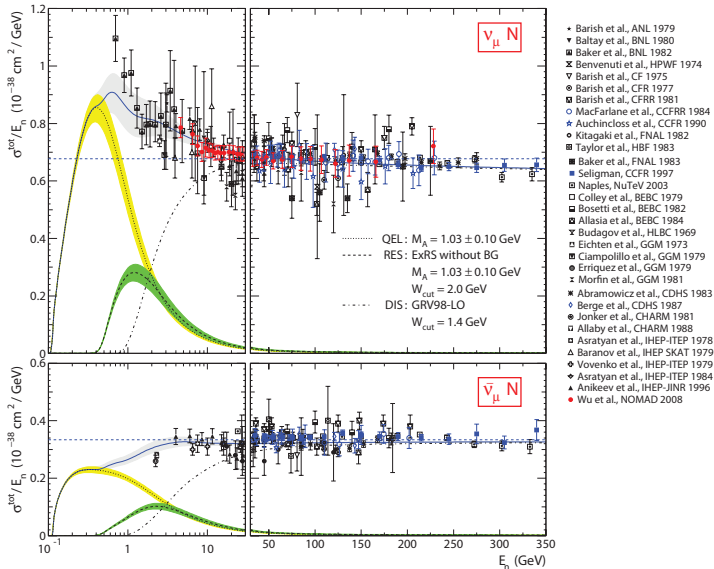
- Neutrino flux and spectrum are completely defined by the parent ion characteristics and by the Lorentz boost γ .
- Just one neutrino flavour in the beam.
- You can scan different γ values starting from below the Δ production threshold.
- A close detector can then measure neutrino cross sections with unprecedented precision.

A systematic error ranging from 2% to 5% both in signal and backgrounds is used in the following



Neutrino Cross Sections

From: NOMAD Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. C **63** (2009) 355 [arXiv:0812.4543 [hep-ex]].



Oscillation signals

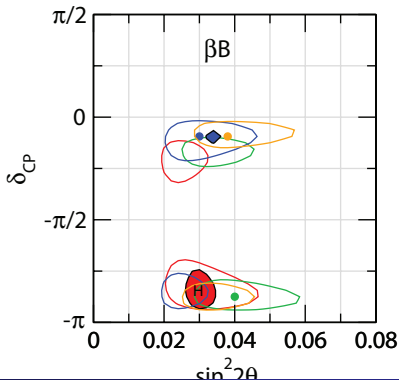
From J.E.Campagne, M. Maltoni, M.M., T.Schwetz, hep-ph/0603172, revised

	βB		SPL		T2HK	
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appearance ν						
background		113		600		1017
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0$		24		41		84
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 10^{-3}$	66	76	93	10	181	18
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appearance $\bar{\nu}$						
background		127		500		1428
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0$		23		36		90
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 10^{-3}$	64	10	74	104	188	261
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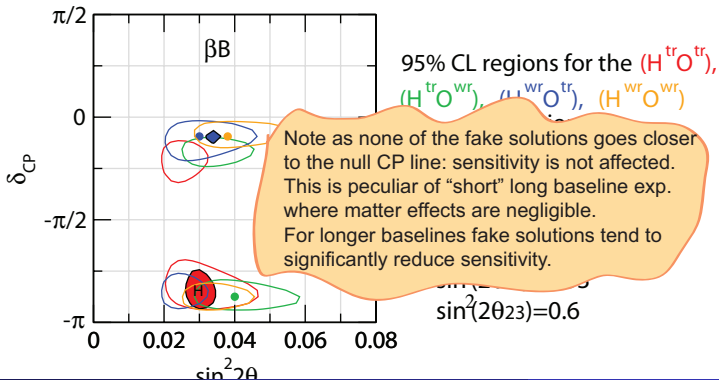
95% CL regions for the $(H^{tr}O^{tr})$,
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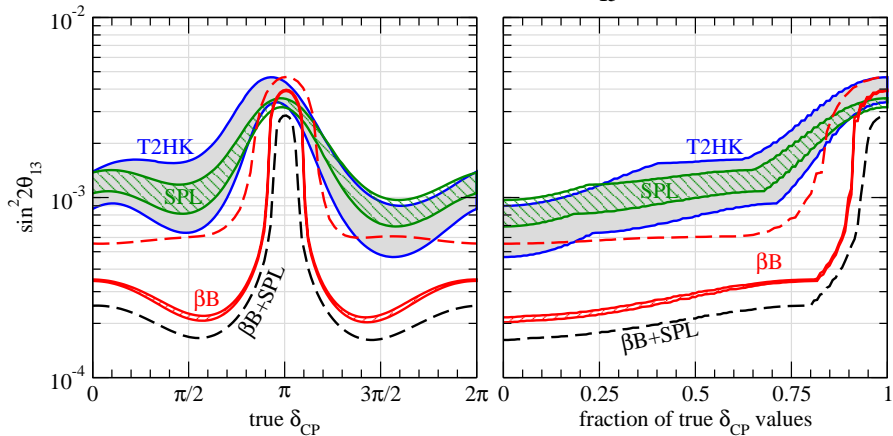
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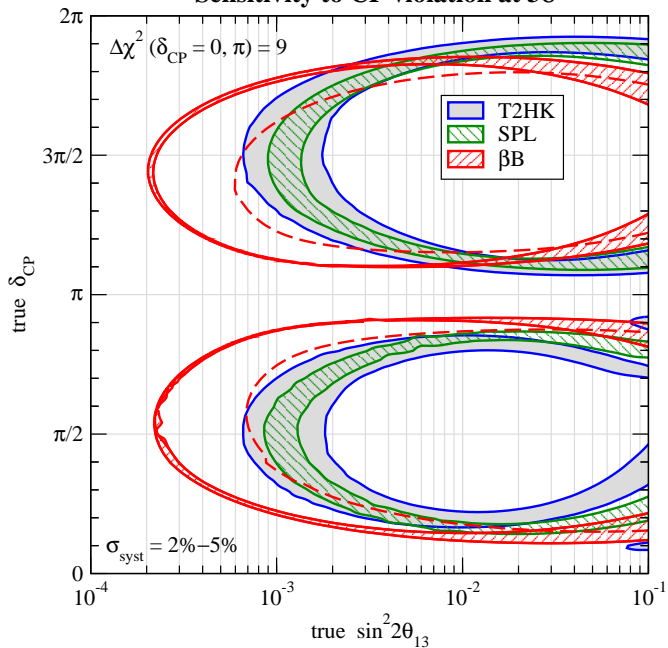
- A single experiment, single channel, can't get rid of degeneracies.
- The combination of different channels in the same detector can solve degeneracies, i.e. first a second oscillation maximum measurement in LBNE or at Okinoshima.
- Different signals in the same detector can also do the job, i.e. beta beams and atmospheric neutrinos.
- A third possibility is to combine the information of different detectors along the same neutrino beam, as exploited by several proposed neutrino factory configurations.
- Of course the combination of the above combinations can also measure all the unknown parameters: can we define an optimal strategy?

Sensitivity to a non-zero θ_{13} at 3σ



Line width: 2% and 5% systematic errors.

Sensitivity to CP violation at 3σ



Additional signals at the Frejus detector.

Can the θ_{13} and LCPV searches be improved?

Two pathways explored so far. In order of comparison:

- Fire a conventional neutrino beam (the SPL-SuperBeam) to the same detector.
- Combine BB information with the atmospheric neutrinos that the megaton detector will record for free

P.S. Also ν_e disappearance could help in determining θ_{13} and in removing degeneracies (it's the same channel of reactor experiments). However it would help if systematic errors could be pushed below 0.5%. At present 2% seems to be the ultimate level of systematics for a Beta Beam. You should consider that is very unpractical to build a close detector IDENTICAL to the far detector.

The Beta Beam - SPL Super Beam synergy

MM, Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. **149** (2005) 179.

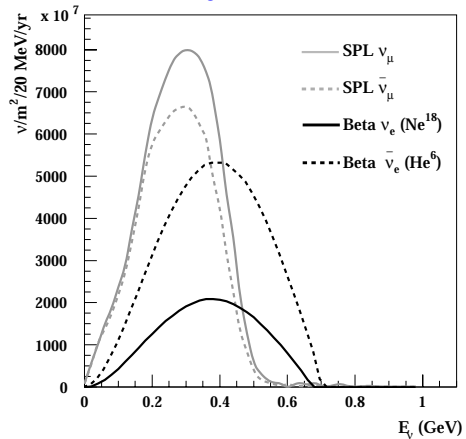
Yearly Fluxes

A Beta Beam has the same energy spectrum than the SPL SuperBeams and consumes 5% of the SPL protons.

The two beams could be fired to the same detector \Rightarrow LCPV searches through CP and T channels (with the possibility of using just neutrinos).

Access to CPTV direct searches.

Cross measurement of signal cross section in the close detectors



The synergy with atmospheric neutrinos

P. Huber et al., Phys. Rev. D 71, 053006 (2005): Combining Long Baseline data with atmospheric neutrinos (that come for free in the megaton detector):

- Degeneracies can be canceled, allowing for better performances in θ_{13} and LCPV searches
- The neutrino mass hierarchy can be measured
- The θ_{23} octant can be determined.

The main reasons are:

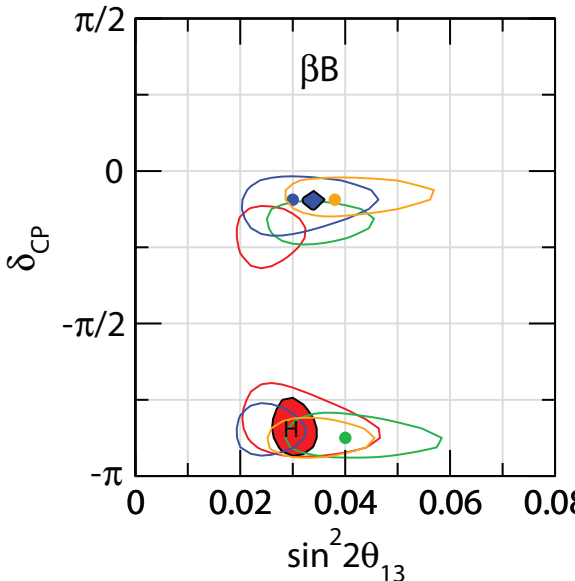
- **Octant** e-like events in the Sub-GeV data is $\propto \cos^2 \theta_{23}$
- **Sign** e-like events in the Multi-GeV data, thanks to matter effects, especially for zenith angles corresponding to neutrino trajectories crossing the mantle and core where a resonantly enhancement occurs.

NOTE: LBL and atmospheric neutrinos are a true synergy. They add to each other much more than a simple gain in statistics. Atmospheric neutrinos alone could not measure the hierarchy, the octant, θ_{13} and LCPV. While the Beta Beam at short baselines could not measure the hierarchy as well as the octant.

Synergy with atm. neutrinos: degeneracy removal

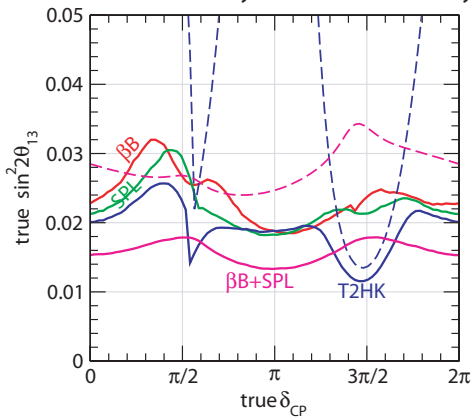
J.E.Campagne, M.Maltoni, M.M., T.Schwetz, JHEP **0704** (2007) 003

The red region is what is left after the atmospheric analysis.
Note how degeneracies were not influencing LCPV sensitivity too much.

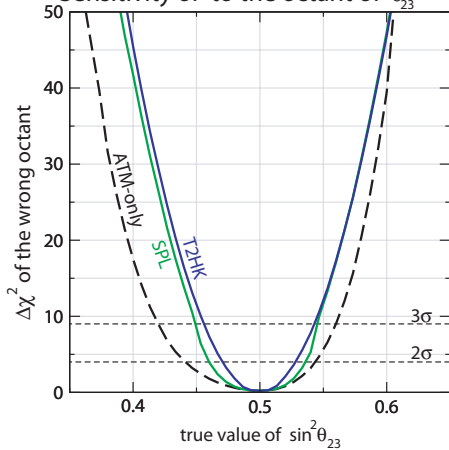


Beta Beam plus atmo: determining mass hierarchy and the octant

2 σ sensitivity to normal hierarchy

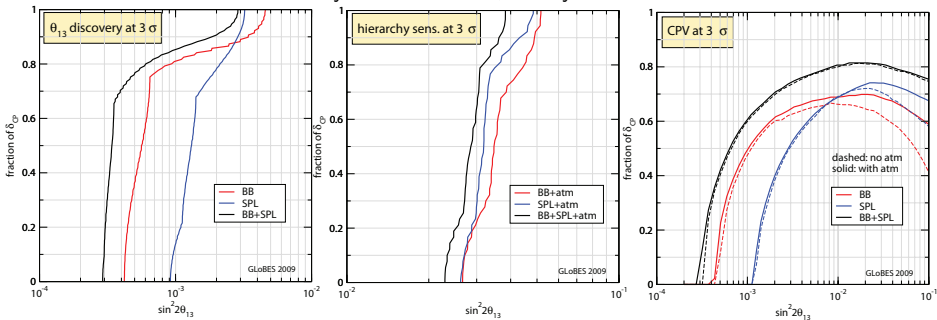


Sensitivity of to the octant of θ_{23}



Updated sensitivities of SPL, BB and SPL+BB

Courtesy of T. Schwetz, 5% systematics.



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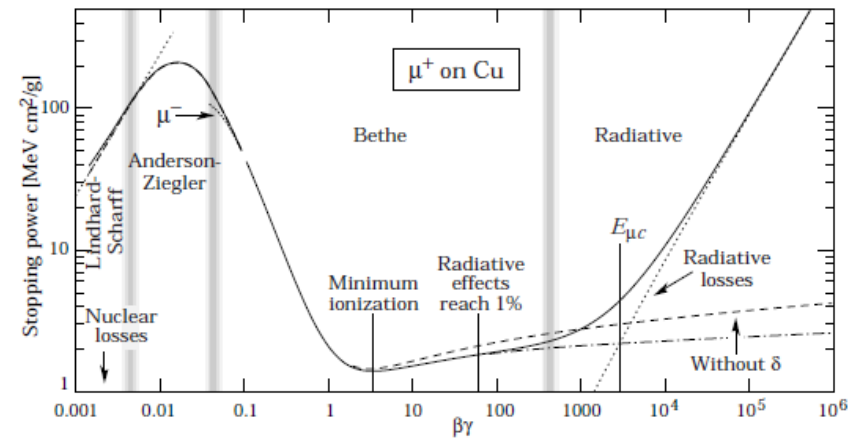
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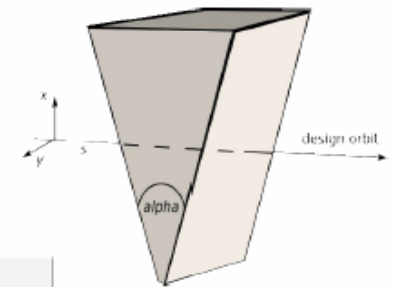
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$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$



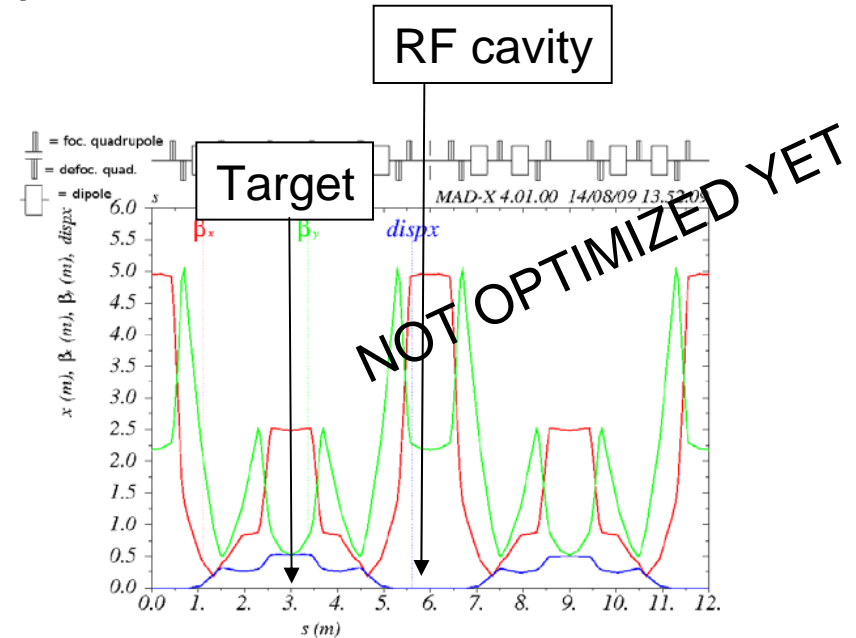
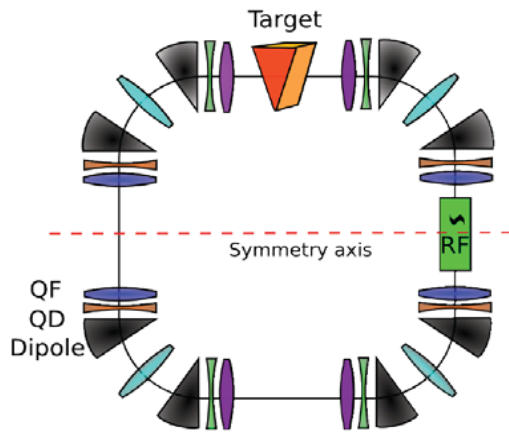
- Only longitudinal component recovered in **RF cavities**
→ **Transverse emittance shrinks**
- **Cooling in 6D**
 - $(dE/ds) \sim \beta^{-2}$ smaller at higher energies → cooling not effective in longitudinal
 - need **coupling** between transverse and longitudinal:
→ **Dispersion & wedge-shaped target**

Faster ions will travel on an outer orbit and see a larger target thickness → they will get more (dE/ds)



Target:
width @ closed orbit = 5 cm
 $t = 0.289 \text{ mg/cm}^2$
If **angle = 20°** → $D_x > 24 \text{ cm}$

Preliminary lattice



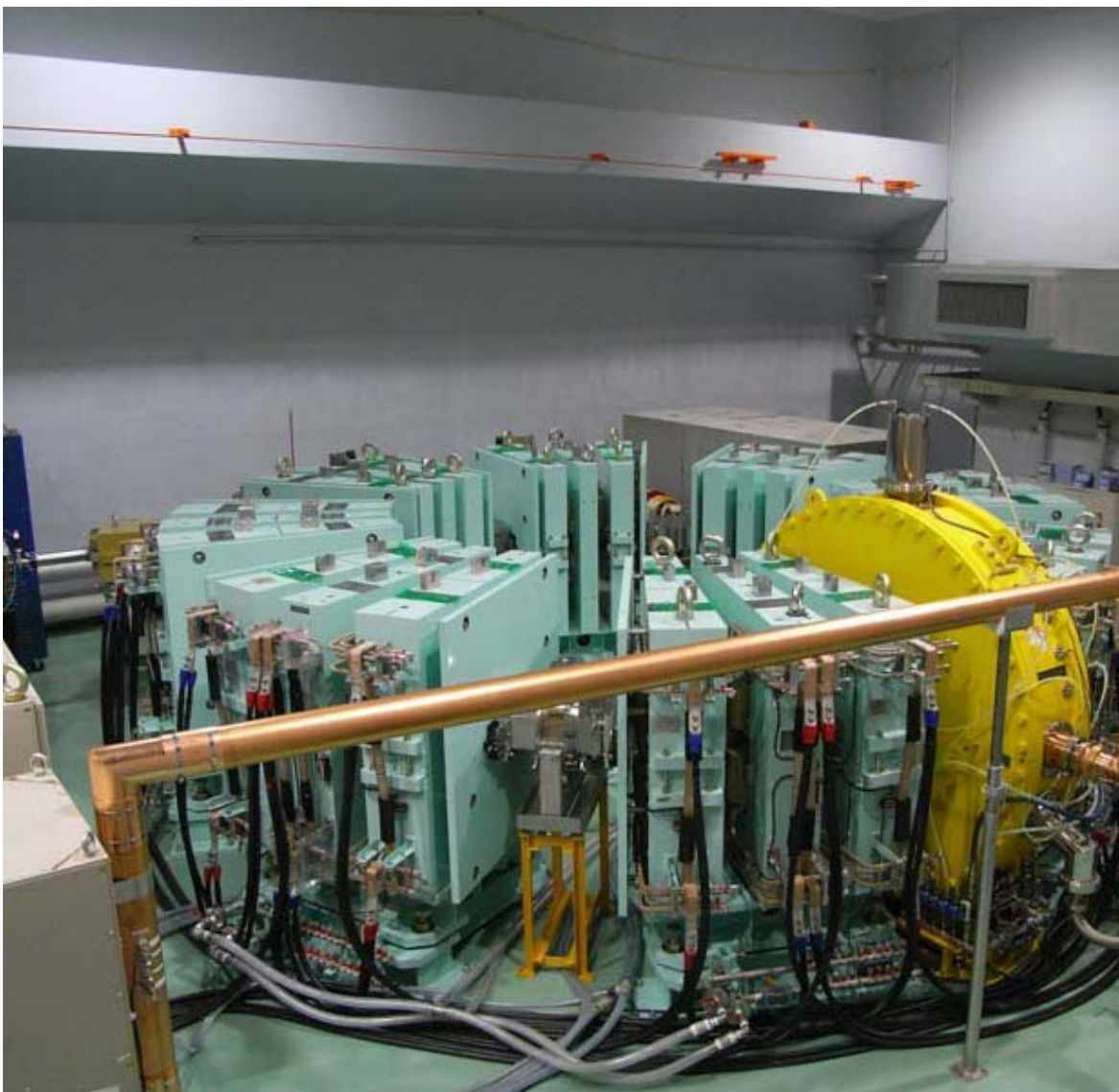
M. Schaumann, CERN-THESIS-2009-128

Particle		${}^7\text{Li}$
Energy	E_c	25 MeV
Relativistic gamma	γ_r	1.00383
Beam rigidity	$B\rho$	0.636 T m
Transition γ	γ_t	3.58
Tune	$Q_{x,y}$	2.58, 1.63
Natural chromaticity	$Q'_{x,y}$	-3.67, -3.58
β @ target	$\beta_{x,y}^*$	2.62 m, 0.35 m
Dispersion @ target	$D_{x,y}^*$	0.523 m, 0 m
Target thickness	t_0	0.27 mg/cm ²
	n_t	10 ¹⁹ atoms/cm ²
Energy losses @ target	E_{BB}	~ 0.30 MeV

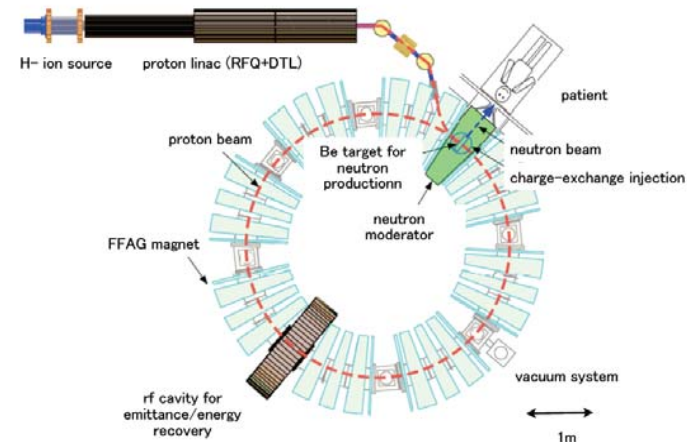
- C=12m
- normal-conducting magnets
- Capacitive loaded RF cavity
- Charge-exchange injection Li⁺¹

FFAG-ERIT @ KURRI (Osaka)

*FFAG and Ionization Cooling:
Y.Mori, NIM A 562 (2006) 591*



Schematic layout of FFAG-ERIT



K.Okabe et al, IPAC10, EPAC08,...

Sensitivity Comparison

Based to arXiv:1005.3146, the EuroNu midterm physics report

WBB: Fermilab to Duse, 1 MW for ν running, proton energy: 120 GeV, 2 MW for $\bar{\nu}$ running (5+5 yr), 100 kton liquid argon detector, according to Barger et al, Phys. Rev. D76:053005, 2007 (hep-ph/0703029). This setup is different from the proposed LBNE experiment.

T2KK: J-Parc ν beam running at 4 MW. 270 kton WC detector at Kamioka (295 km) and 270 kton WC detector in Korea (1050 km), Barger et al, Phys. Rev. D76:053005, 2007 (hep-ph/0703029).

PS2-Slanic CERN-PS2 SuperBeam fired to 100 kton LAr detector at Slanic, as computed by A. Rubbia, arXiv:1003.1921.

SPL: Neutrino beam from CERN-SPL running at 3.5 GeV, 4 MW. 440 kton WC detector at Frejus (130 km). Campagne et al. JHEP **0704** (2007) 003 (hep-ph/0603172).

Beta Beam $\gamma = 100$ Eurisol Beta Beam to Frejus (440 kton WC detector). Campagne et al. JHEP **0704** (2007) 003 (hep-ph/0603172).

Beta Beam + SPL The combination of the above two.

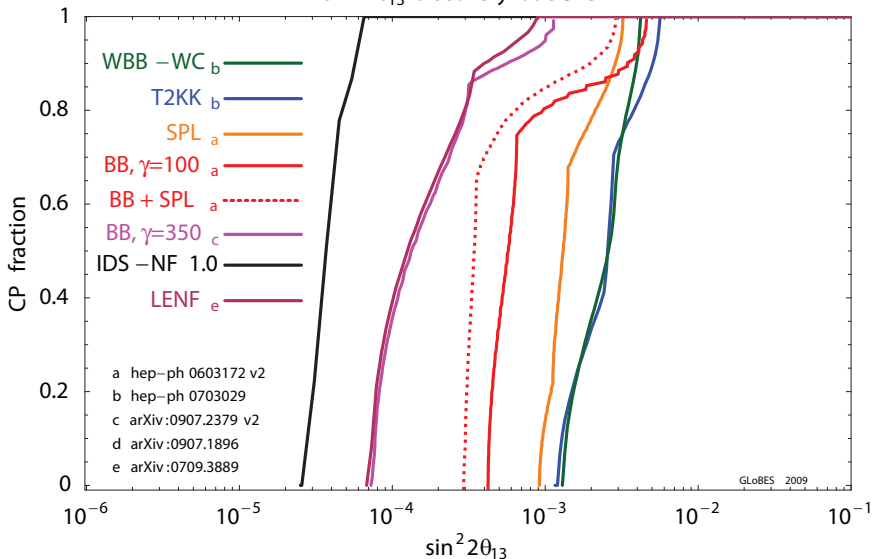
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Low Energy Neutrino Factory (LENF) Neutrino Factory running at 4.12 GeV delivering 10^{21} muon decays/year for each sign, 30 kton No ν a like detector, fully magnetized (!) at 1480 km (Fermilab-Henderson mine). A. Bross et al, Phys.Rev.D77:093012,2008. (arXiv:0709.3889)

IDS 1.0 Neutrino Factory 25 GeV neutrino factory delivering $0.5 \cdot 10^{21}$ muon decays/year for each sign, a 50 kton iron magnetized detector and a 10 kton Emulsion Cloud Chamber, at 4000 km and a 50 kton iron magnetized detector at 7500 km.

Sensitivity Comparison: θ_{13}

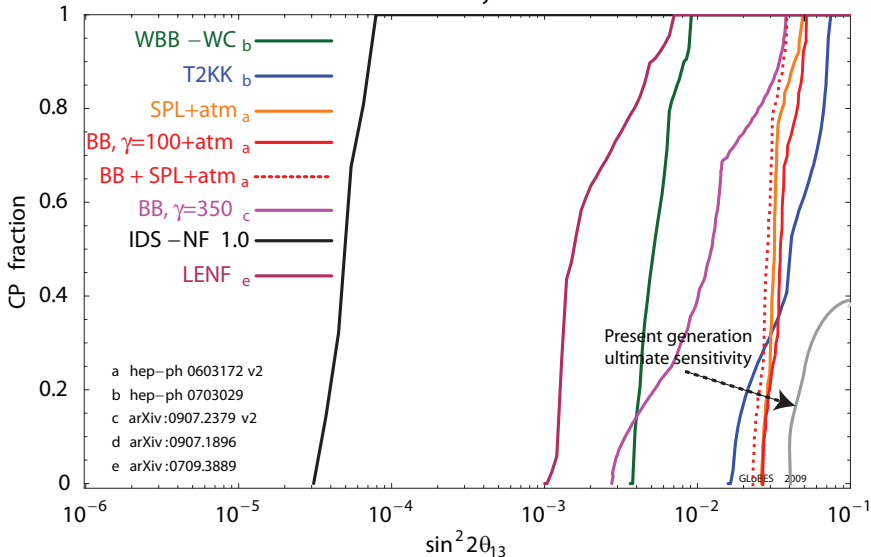
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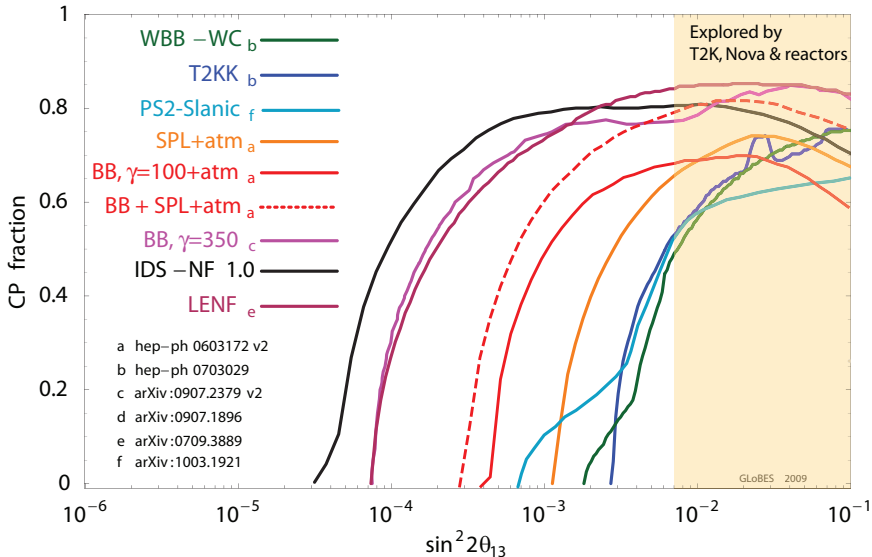
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Mass hierarchy at 3σ CL



Sensitivity Comparison: LCPV

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CP violation at 3σ CL



Additional Slides

Conclusions

- Neutrino oscillations have many fundamental results to offer, and maybe unexpected surprises. Certainly not for free.
- Future experiments will probably require innovative instruments rather than brute force.
- Beta Beams are a realistic possibility solving most of the bottlenecks of conventional neutrino beams.
- They require anyway R&D and manpower, so far they are funded only by EU funds.
- There are several very interesting developments of the Beta Beams concept that can allow interesting future upgrades.