

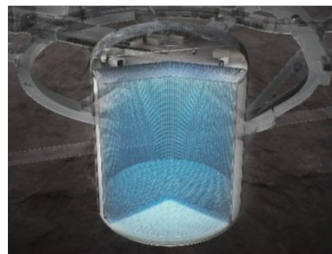
Status Hyper-K

Saul Cuen-Rochin (Tecnologico de Monterrey)

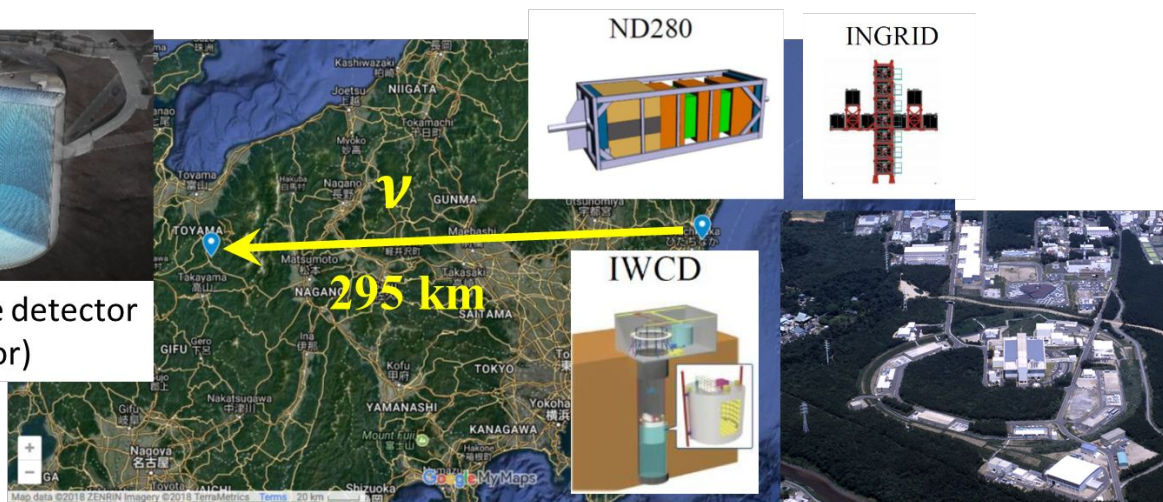
22 Oct
MWPF2025

Hyper-Kamiokande Project

- The Hyper-Kamiokande project includes a far detector, a neutrino beam, and a neutrino near detector complex
 - Construct the Hyper-Kamiokande detector at Kamioka
 - Upgrade the J-PARC neutrino beam
 - Construct the Intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector (IWCD) at Tokai



Hyper-Kamiokande detector
(Far detector)



ND280

INGRID

IWCD

J-PARC

- **Kamiokande (1983 - 1996)**

- Atmospheric and solar neutrino “anomaly”
- Supernova 1987A

Birth of neutrino astrophysics

- **Super-Kamiokande (1996 - ongoing)**

- Proton decay: world best-limit
- Neutrino oscillation (atm/solar/LBL)
 - All mixing angles and Δm^2 s

Discovery of neutrino oscillations

- **Hyper-Kamiokande (2027 -)**

- Extended search for proton decay
- Precision measurement of neutrino oscillation including CPV and MO
- Neutrino astrophysics

Explore new physics



Hyper-K Observation Target

$$\nu_e + n \rightarrow e^- + p$$

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$$



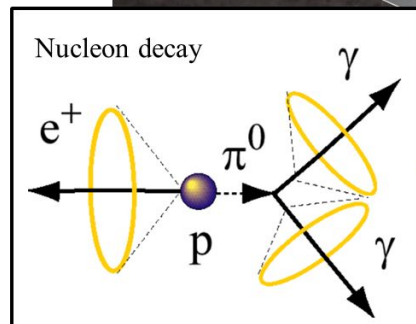
Supernova neutrinos

$\nu_e, \bar{\nu}_e, \nu_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\mu, \nu_\tau, \bar{\nu}_\tau$

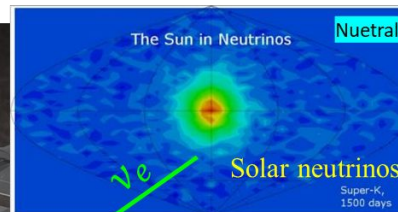
$$p \rightarrow e^+ + \pi^0$$

$$p \rightarrow \mu^+ + \pi^0$$

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$$



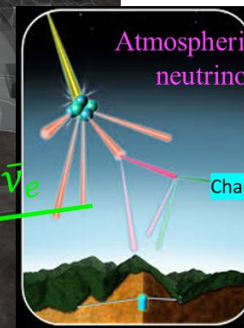
Nucleon decay



Neutral-Current Interactions (NC)

$$\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$$

$$\nu + N \rightarrow \nu + N'$$



Charged-Current Interactions (CC)

$$\nu_e + n \rightarrow e^- + p$$

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$$

$$\nu_\mu + n \rightarrow \mu^- + p$$

$$\nu_\tau + n \rightarrow \tau^- + p$$

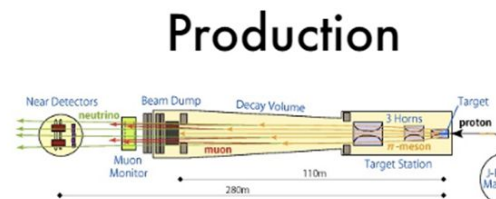
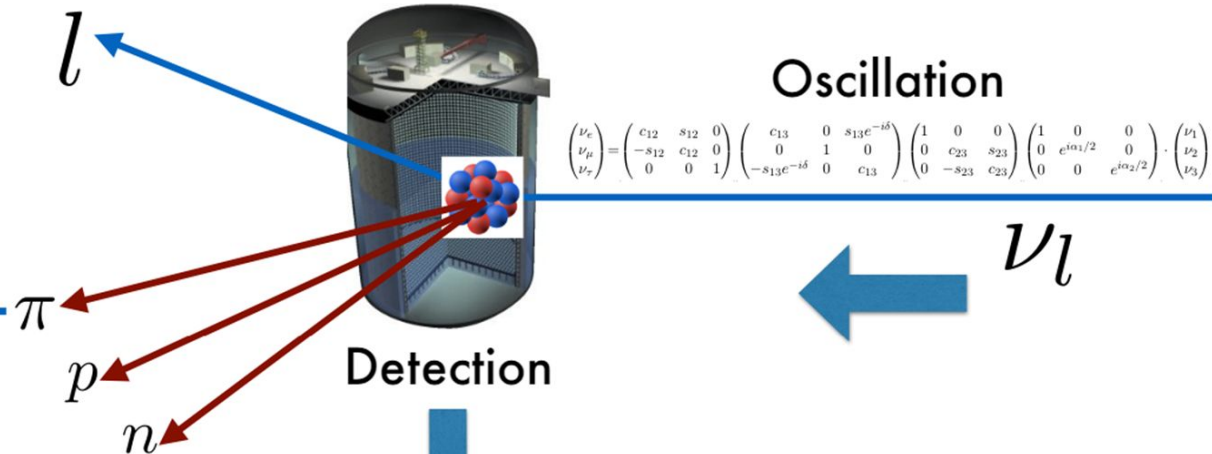
$$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\tau$$

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_\tau$$

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons} + \nu_\tau$$



J-PARC neutrino beam



Cross section model

$$\sigma(E_\nu)$$

Reconstruct

$$E_\nu$$

Oscillation
Parameters

$$\theta_e, \theta_\mu, \theta_\tau, \delta_{CP}$$

$$\Delta m_e^2, \Delta m_\mu^2, \Delta m_\tau^2$$

[hep-ex] 21 May 2025



K. Abe¹, R. Ahl Laamara², H. Aihara³, A. Ajmi⁴, R. Akutsu^{5,114}, H. Alarakia-Charles⁶, I. Alekseev⁷, Y. Alij Hakim⁷, S. Alonso Monsalve⁸, E. Amato⁷, F. Ameli¹⁰, L. Anthony¹¹, A. Araya¹², S. Arimoto¹³, Y. Asaka¹⁴, V. Aushev¹⁴, F. Ballester Merelo¹⁵, M. Barbi¹⁶, G. Barr¹⁷, M. Batkiewicz-Kwasniak¹⁸, A. Beauchêne¹⁹, D. Benchechrout²⁰, V. Berardi²¹, E. Bernardini^{22,23}, L. Berns²⁴, S. Bhadra²⁵, N. Bhuiyan²⁶, J. Bian²⁷, D. Bianco²⁸, A. Blanchet²⁹, A. Blondel³⁰, P. M. M. Boistier³¹, S. Bolognesi³¹, L. Bonavera³², S. Bordoni²⁹, D. Bose³³, S. Boyd³⁴, C. Bozza^{35,36}, A. Bravar²⁹, C. Bronner³⁷, A. Bubak³⁸, A. Buchowicz³⁹, M. Buizza Avanzini¹⁹, G. Burton^{26,40}, F. S. Cafagna⁹, N. F. Calabria^{4,21}, J. M. Calvo Mozota⁴¹, S. Cao¹¹⁴, D. Carabadjac^{9,115}, S. Cartwright⁷, M. P. Casado Echuga^{42,116}, M. G. Catanesi⁹, S. Cebrián⁴³, E. M. Chakir⁴⁴, S. Chakraborty⁴⁵, J. H. Choi⁴⁶, S. Choubey⁴⁷, E. A. Chucuan Martínez⁴⁸, L. Chytka⁴⁹, M. Cicerchia¹¹³, L. Cid Barrio⁴, M. Cieslar⁵⁰, J. Coleman⁵¹, G. Collazuol^{22,23}, L. Cook⁵², F. Cormier⁵², D. Costas-Rodríguez⁵³, A. Craplet¹¹, S. Cuen-Rochin⁴⁸, C. Dalmazzone³⁰, M. Danilov⁵, T. Darei⁵¹, F. J. De Cos⁵, E. de la Fuente^{54,55}, A. De Lorenzis⁵⁶, G. De Rosa^{28,56}, T. Deatry⁶, E. Della Valle⁵⁷, C. Denham⁴⁰, A. Dergacheva, M. M. Devi⁵⁷, F. Di Lodovico²⁶, A. Di Nitto^{28,56}, A. Di Nola^{28,56}, G. Díaz López²⁰, C. D. Dieminger⁸, D. Divecha¹⁶, M. Dobrzynska⁵⁸, T. Dohnal⁵⁹, E. Drakopoulou⁶⁰, O. Drapier¹⁹, J. Dumarchez³⁰, K. Dygdnarowicz³⁹, S. Earle⁶¹, A. Eguchi⁶², Abderrazak El Abassi⁴⁴, A. El Kaftaoui⁴⁴, J. Ellis²⁶, S. Emery³¹, R. Er-Rabit⁴⁴, A. Ershova¹⁹, A. Esmail⁶², R. Esteve Bosch¹⁵, E. E. Falcon Anaya⁴⁸, L. E. Falcon Morales⁶³, J. Fannon¹, S. Fedotov⁶, J. Feng¹³, D. Ferlic⁶³, P. Fernández-Menéndez⁶⁴, E. Fernández-Martínez⁶⁵, P. Ferrario⁶⁴, B. Ferrazzi¹⁶, A. Finch⁶, C. Finley⁶⁶, G. A. Fiorentini Aguirre⁶⁷, M. Fitton⁴⁰, M. Franks⁸, M. Friend^{5,114,118}, Y. Fujii^{5,114}, Y. Fukuda⁶⁸, L. Fusco^{36,63}, G. Galisín³⁹, R. Gamboa Goñi⁶³, J. Gao²⁶, F. García Riego³², C. Garde⁶⁹, R. Gaur⁵², L. Gialanella^{28,70}, C. Giganti³⁰, V. Gligorov⁴⁰, O. Gogota¹⁴, M. Gola⁵², A. Goldsack²⁶, A. Gomez-Gambin¹⁵, J. J. Gomez-Cadenas⁶⁴, M. Gonin^{1,71}, J. González-Nuevo³², A. Gorin, R. Gornea⁶⁷, S. Goto³, M. Goughri⁴⁴,

[illegible]

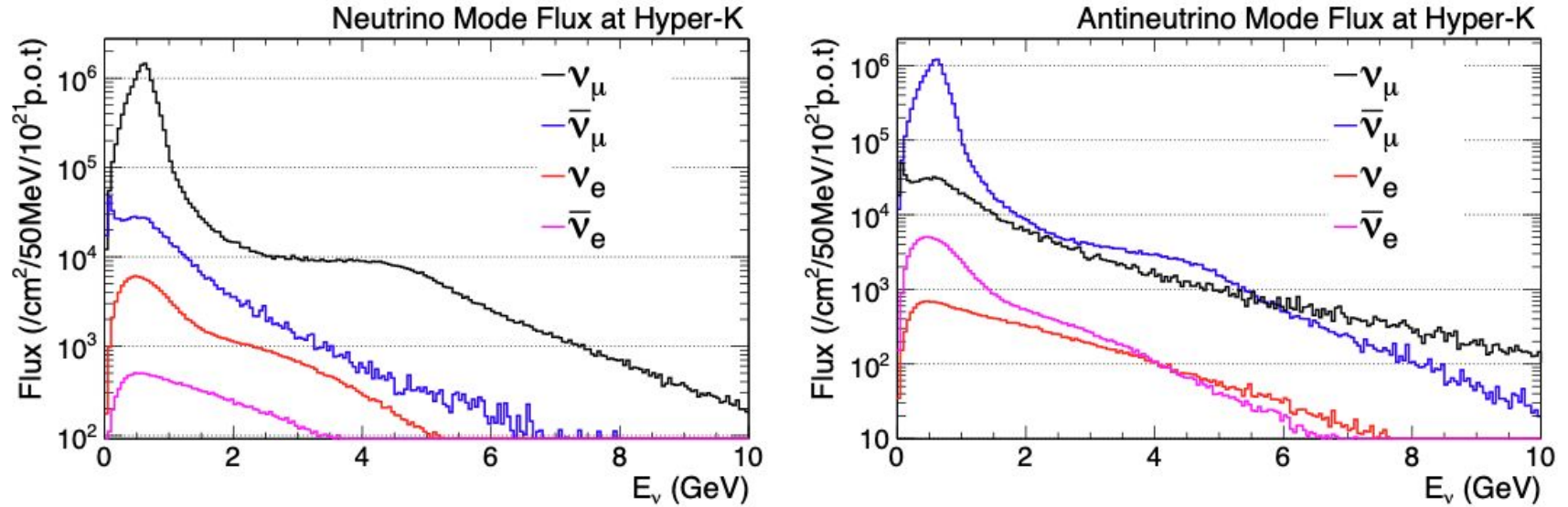


Fig. 1: Simulated flux at the far detector in neutrino mode (left) and antineutrino mode (right).

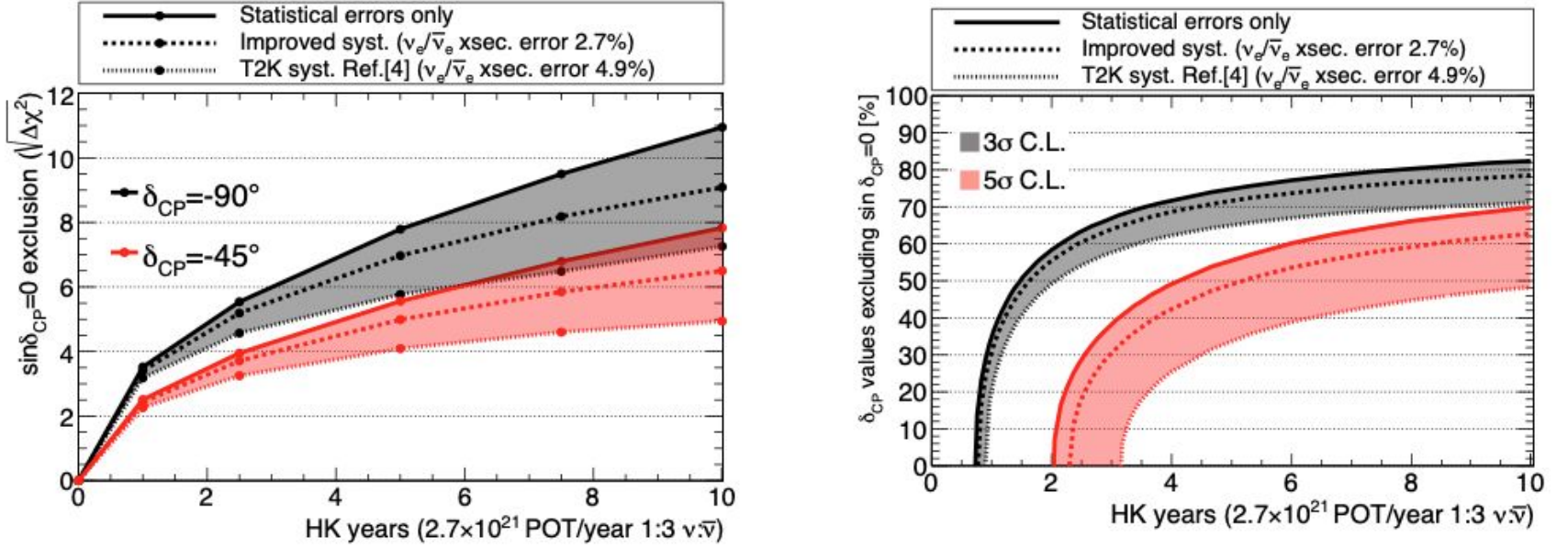
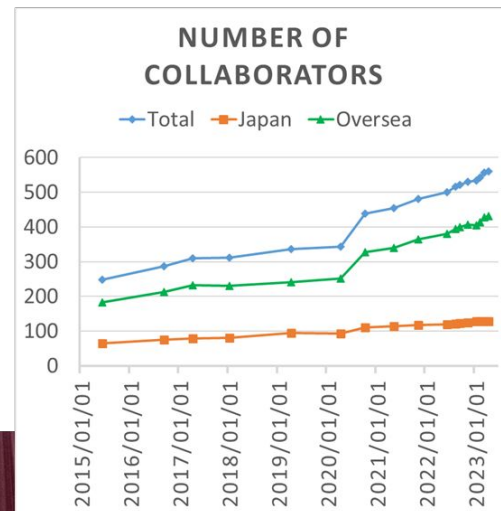


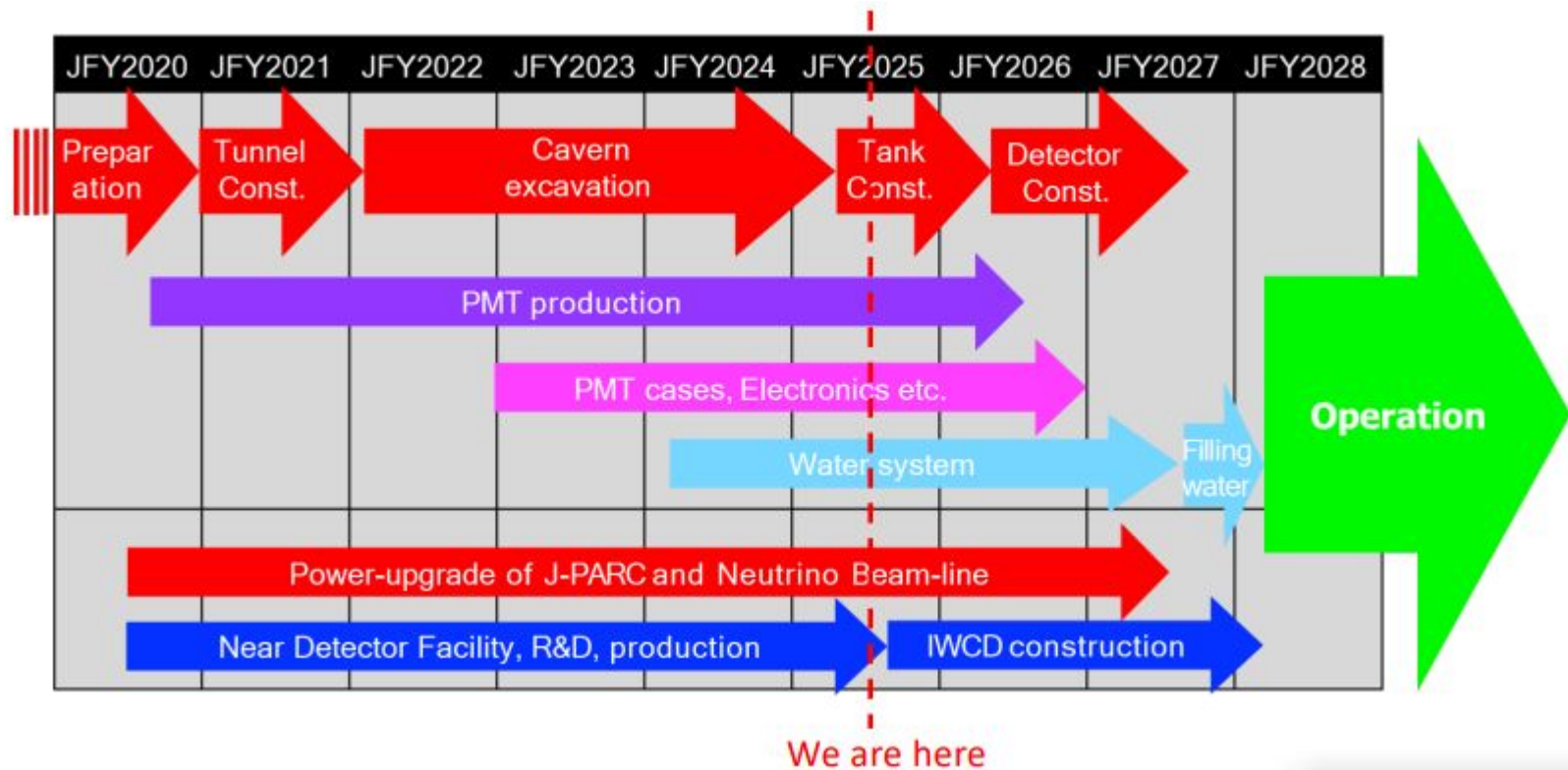
Fig. 4: Sensitivity to CPV as a function of data-taking time: $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$ exclusion for $\delta_{CP} = -90^\circ$ or -45° (left) and percentage of δ_{CP} values for which $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$ can be excluded at 3σ and at 5σ (right). The shaded regions in these and following figures, show the span of possible sensitivities when varying the assumed systematic errors.

- Check the paper for more...
- Check talk of Sergio Galarza on Supernova Sensitivity
- And talk of Gilberto Rodriguez on IWCD ML analysis

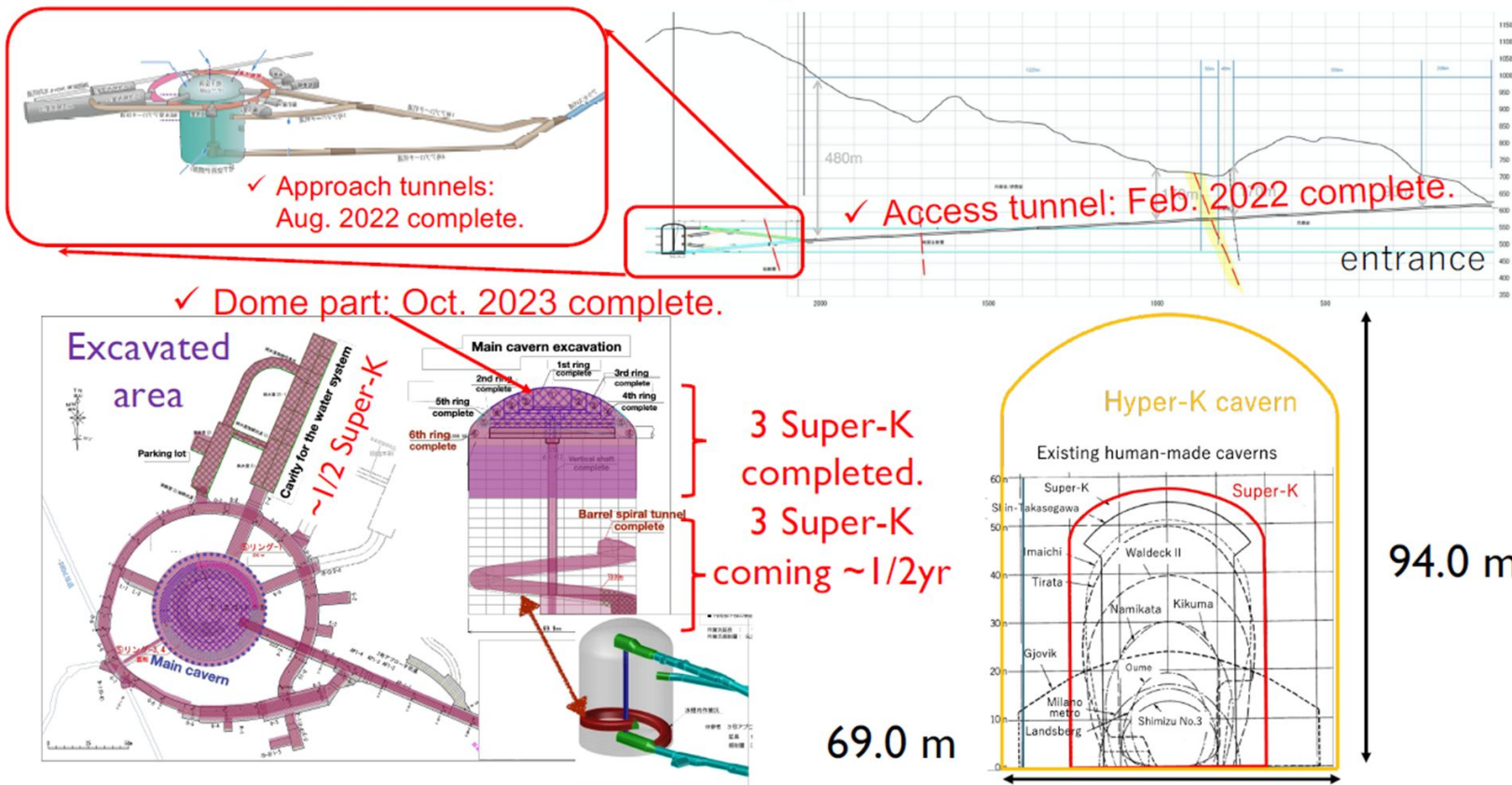
Hyper-Kamiokande Collaboration

- ~600 members located in 102 institutes from 22 countries
 - 25% Japanese / 75% non-Japanese
- Recently approved as a recognized experiment (RE45) at CERN





Excavating the world's largest human-made cavern



Hyper-K main cavern excavation

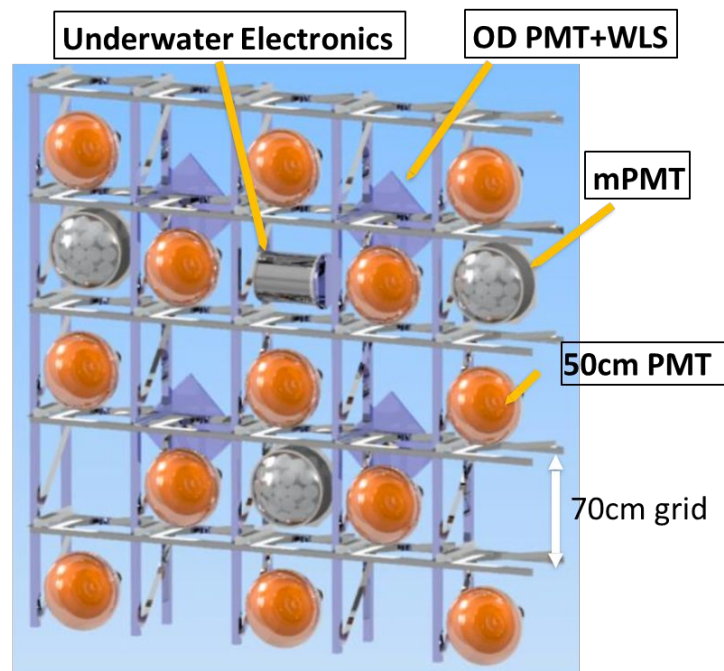


- **October 3, 2023:**
Excavation of the dome section completed.
 - 69m diameter, 21m height
 - One of the largest human-made underground space.
- Now, the excavation of the barrel section is ongoing.



Hyper-K detector configuration

- **Inner Detector (ID)**
 - 20,000 – 20" PMT
 - 64.8m diameter, 65.8m height
 - 50cm PMTs will be installed
 - 800 multi-PMT modules (19 3" PMT each) will be integrated as hybrid configuration
- **Outer Detector (OD)**
 - 3,600 – 3" PMT
 - 1m (barrel) or 2m (top/bottom) thick
 - 3-inch PMT + WLS plate
 - Walls are covered with high-reflectivity Tyvek sheets
- **Under-water electronics**
 - Mitigate disadvantage of long cables

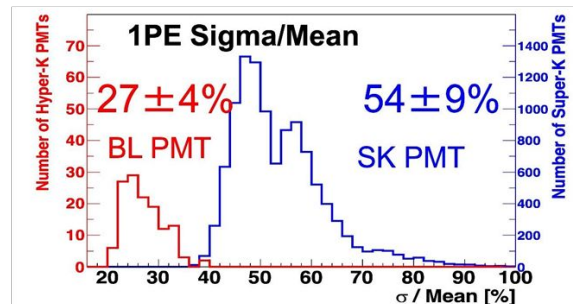
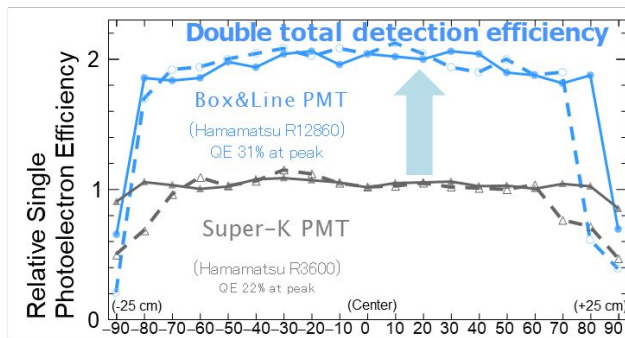


Hyper-K 50cm PMT performance

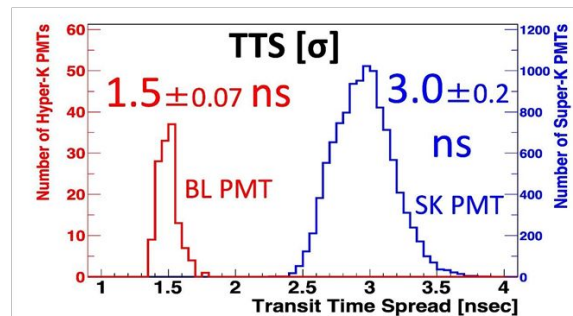
(Performance in SK tank, $1.7e7$ gain)

×2 better photodetection efficiency (QE×CE)

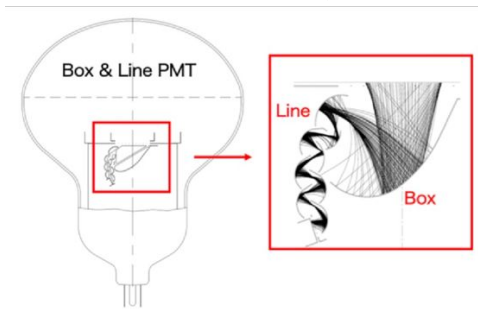
×2 better charge resolution



×2 better timing resolution



Box&Line dynode



×2 better pressure tolerance
→ enable deeper tank design,
project cost reduction

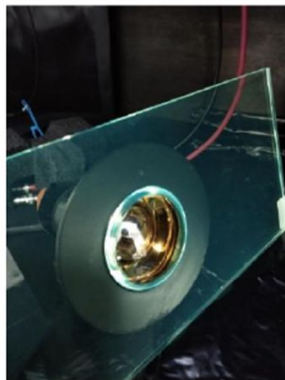
Low dark rate (4kHz) and RI



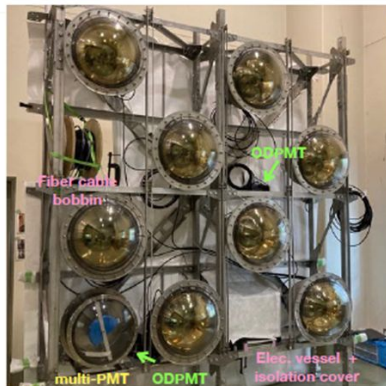
PMT production ongoing, >10,000 delivered.
Screening both at Hamamatsu and Kamioka

Photosensors and underwater electronics

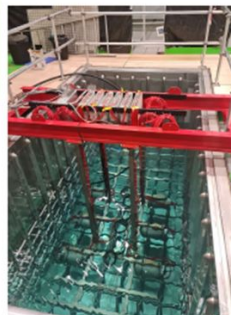
Outer detector: PMT+WLS plate



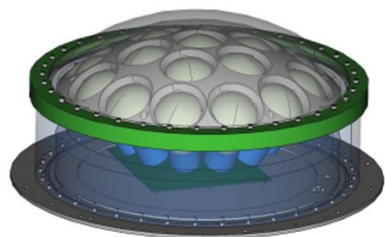
Photosensors/elec. mockup



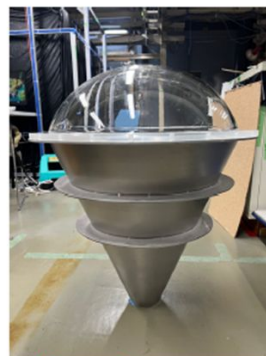
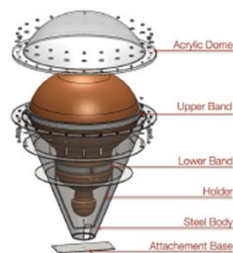
Underwater electronics: Case design and feedthrough



Multi-PMT module:

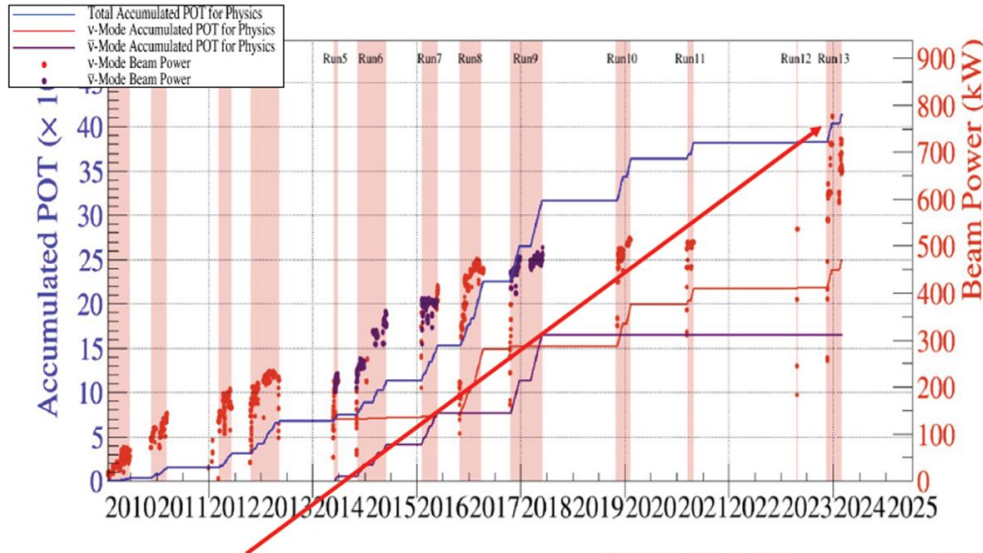


PMT cover



Design finalization ongoing

Beam: status and plan of power increase

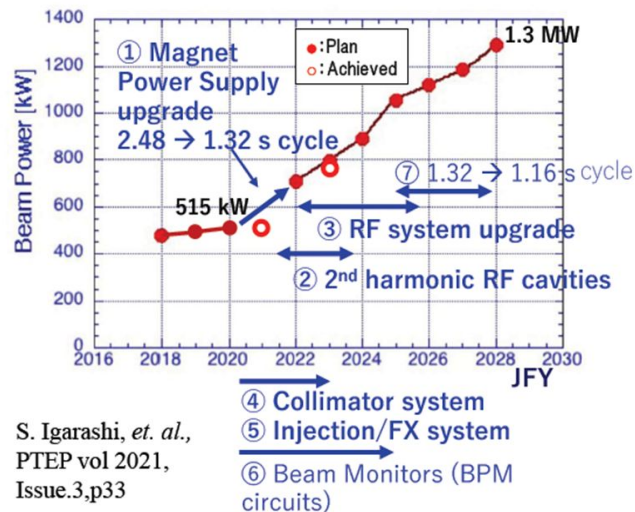


760 kW achieved already and **800 kW last week!**

Further beam power increase requires:

- Seeking beam loss with optics improvements
- More protons/pulse by upgrading RF system
- Further beam intensity increase will be done by $1.36 \rightarrow 1.16$ sec cycle

Original power projection in MR Upgrade Plan

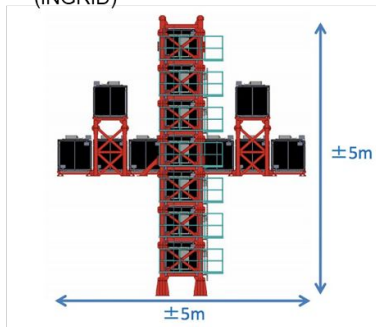


S. Igarashi, *et. al.*,
PTEP vol 2021,
Issue.3,p33

Neutrino detectors at J-PARC

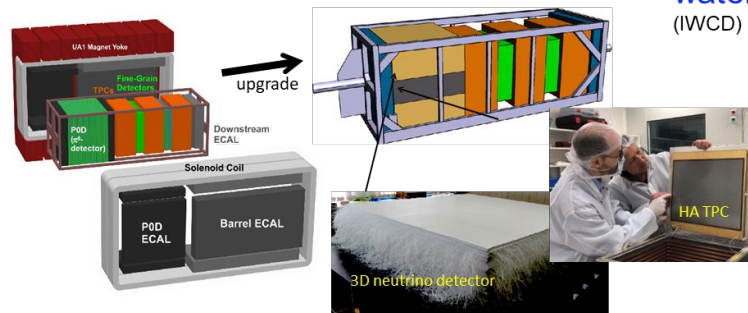
On-axis Detector

(INGRID)



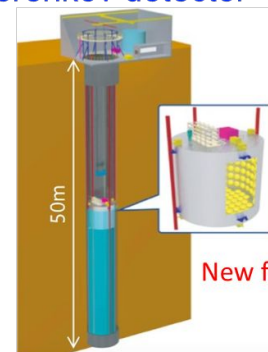
Off-axis Magnetized Tracker

(ND280 → Upgrade for T2K → Upgrade for HK)



Off-axis spanning Intermediate water Cherenkov detector

(IWCD)



New for HK

Critical components to precisely understand J-PARC beam and neutrino interactions:

- **On-axis detector:** Measure beam direction and event rate
- **Off-axis magnetized tracker:** Measure primary (anti)neutrino interaction rates, spectrum, and properties. Charge separation to measure wrong-sign background
→ Upgrade by T2K experiment and intensive discussion for further upgrade in HK-era is ongoing.
- **Intermediate WC detector:** H₂O target with off-axis angle spanning orientation.
→ Detector site investigation and conceptual facility design are ongoing.

Full Length Article

Assembly, testing, and installation of mPMT photosensor for the Water Cherenkov Test Experiment

M. Gola ^a  , M. Barbi ^d, V. Berardi ^h, A. Buchowicz ^e, N. Buril ^c, L. Cook ^a,
S. Cuen-Rochin ⁱ, G. DeRosa ^h, P. de Perio ^k, K. Dygnarowicz ^e, B. Ferrazzi ^d, A. Fiorentini ^c,
C.S. Garde ^j, G. Galiński ^e, K. Graham ^c, R. Gornea ^c, M. Hartz ^a, J. Holeczek ^f, S. Jagtap ^j,
M. Kala ^c...M. Ziembicki ^e

Show more 

 Add to Mendeley  Share  Cite

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2025.170903>

[Get rights and content](#)

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2504.07216>

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2025.170903>

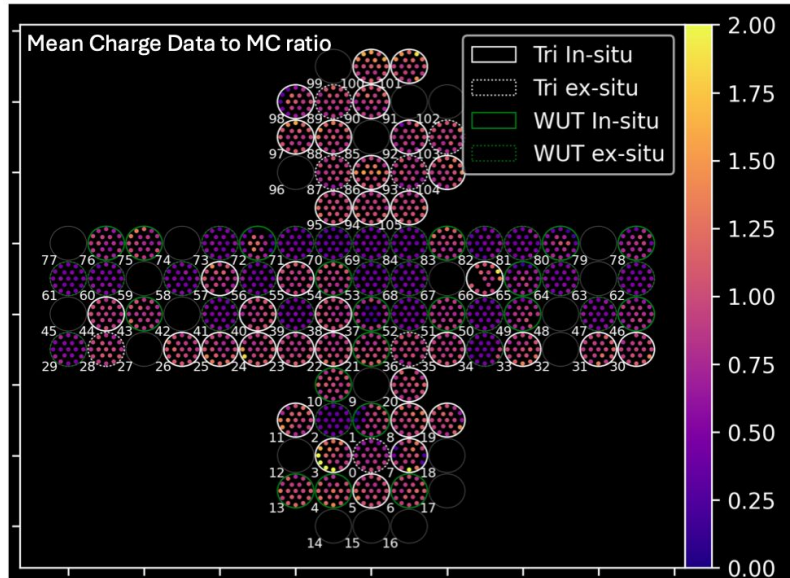


WCTE at CERN

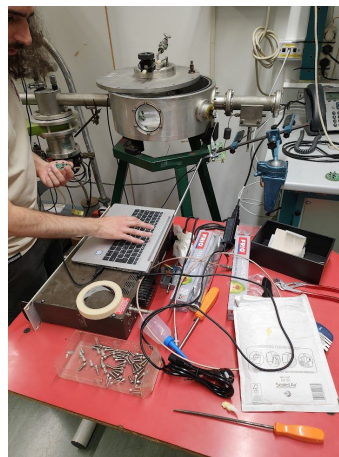


WCTE Tour

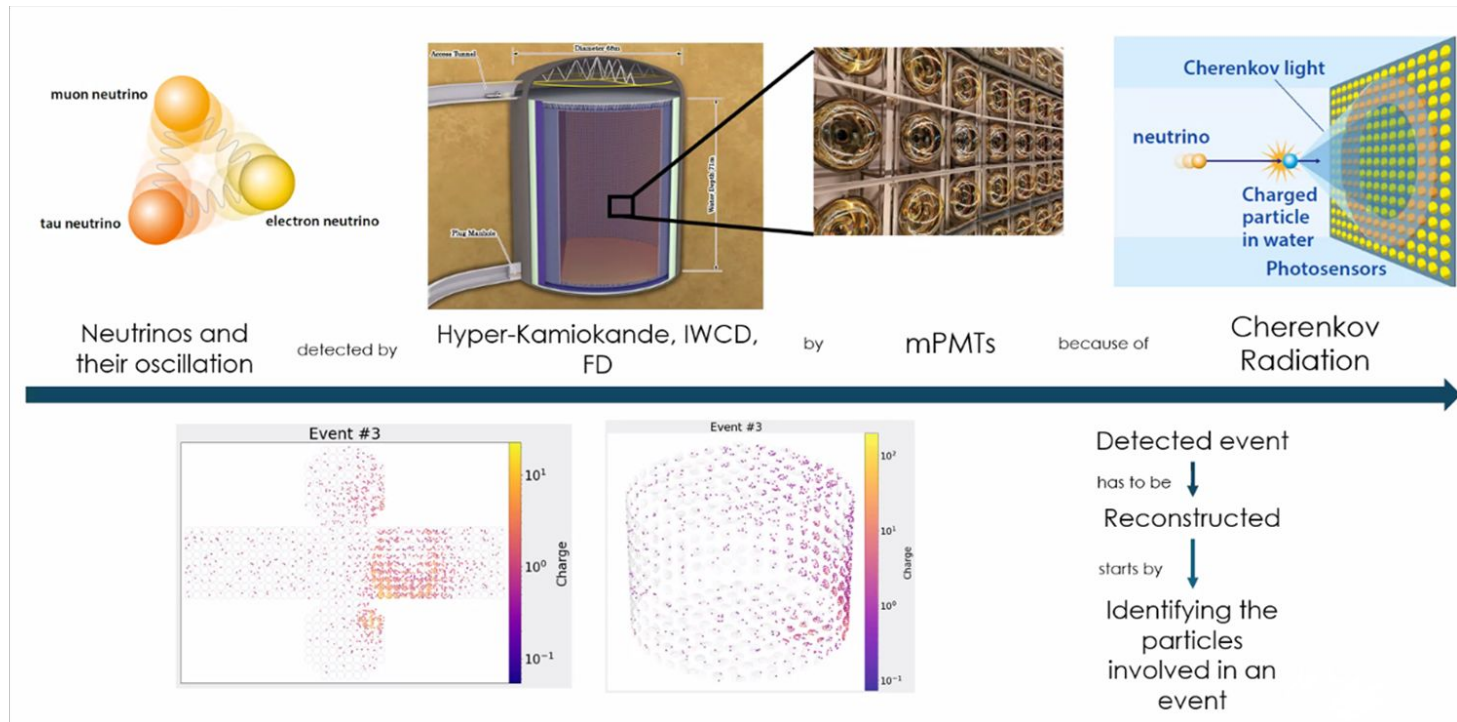
Link to video tour [here](#)



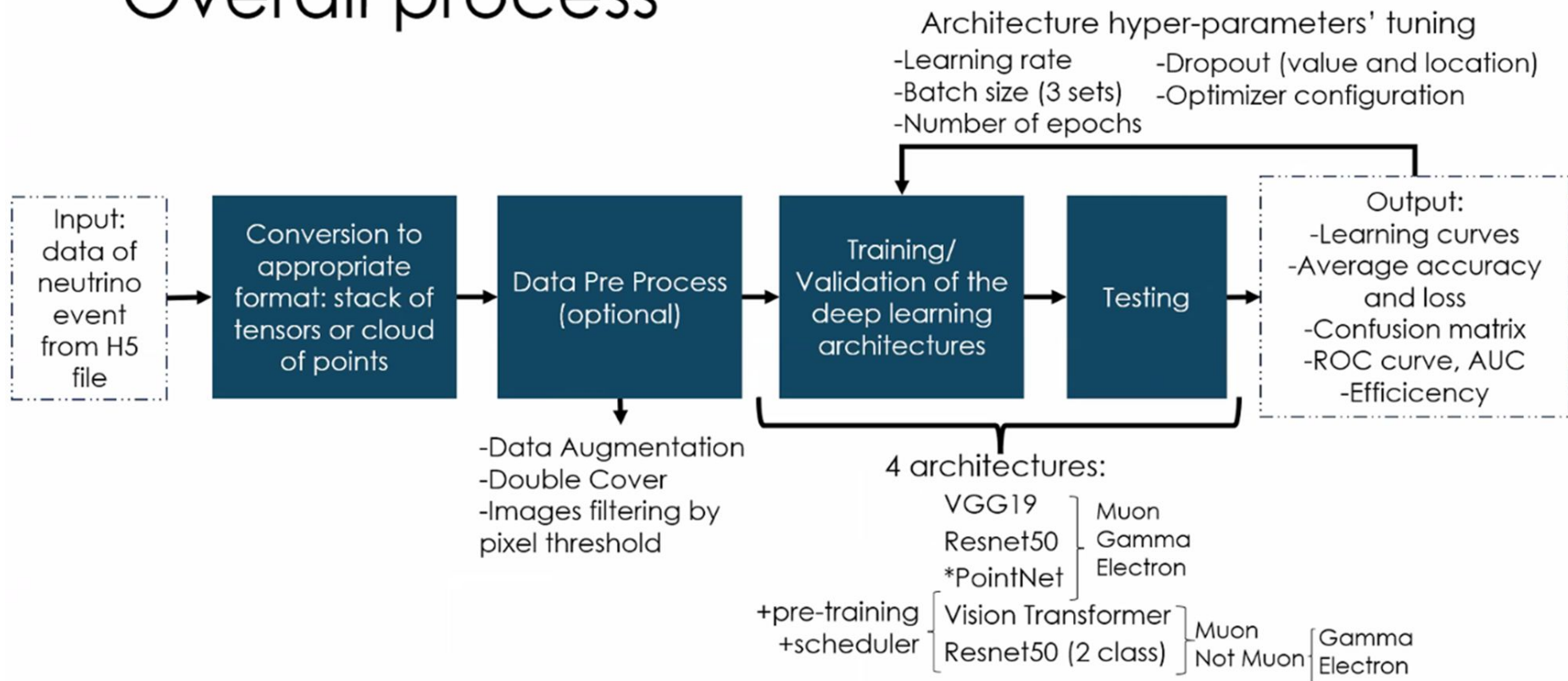
mPMT assembly



Neutrino classification

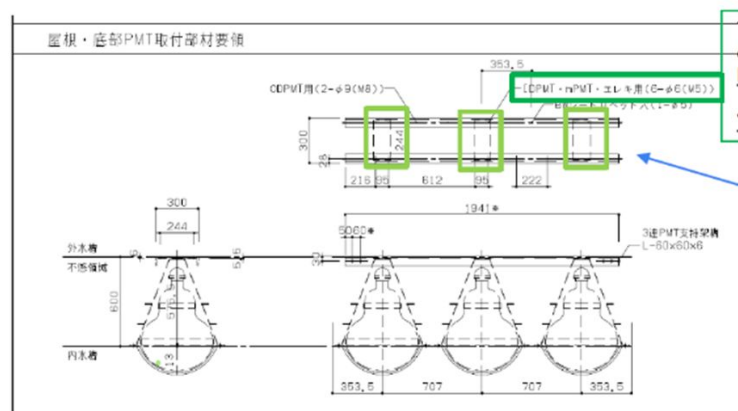
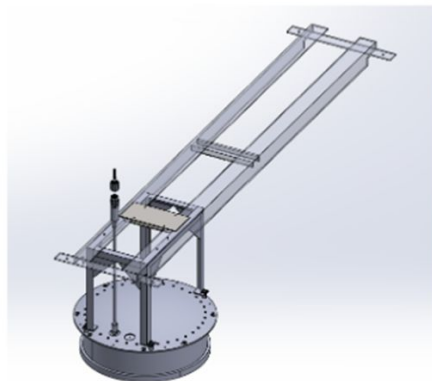
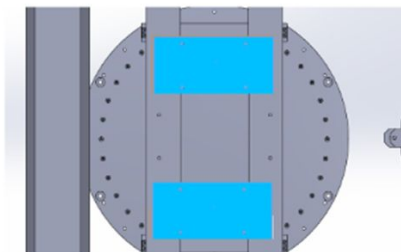
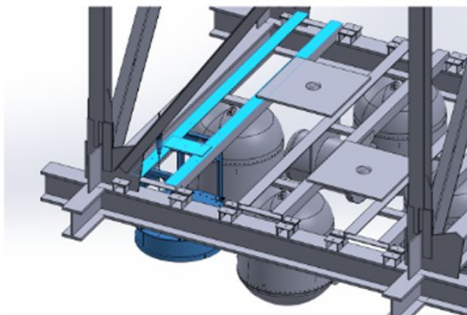


Overall process



top & bottom mPMT support

Currently working on requirements from the integration group.



mPMT mechanical stress test

Top/bottom configuration

Barrel configuration

Transportation studies,
and box design

-Compression

-Temperate

-Vibrations



Conclusions

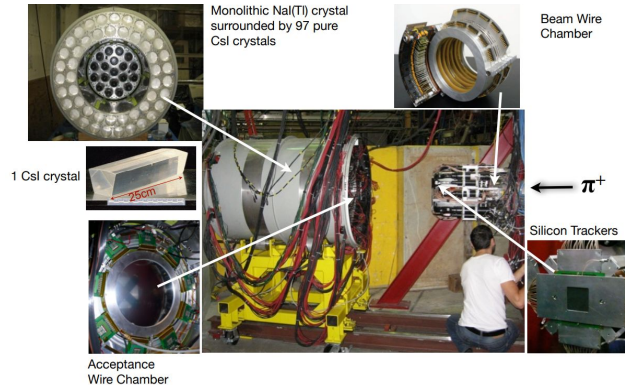
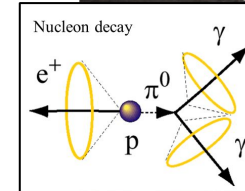
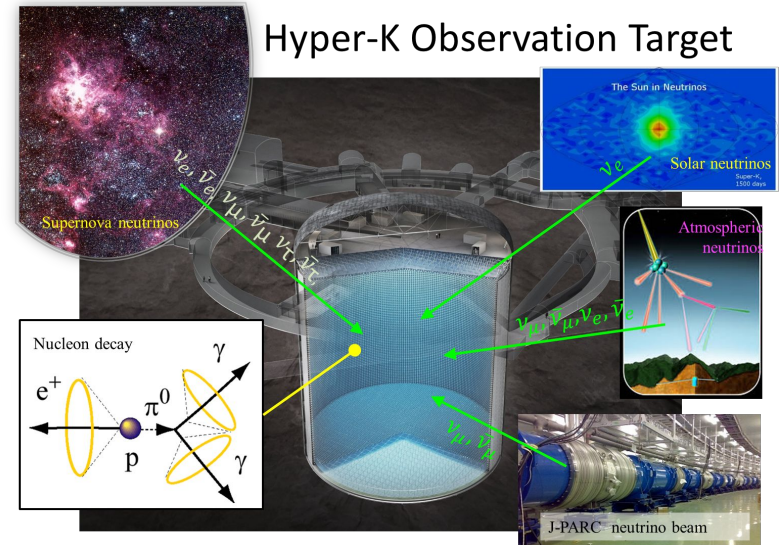
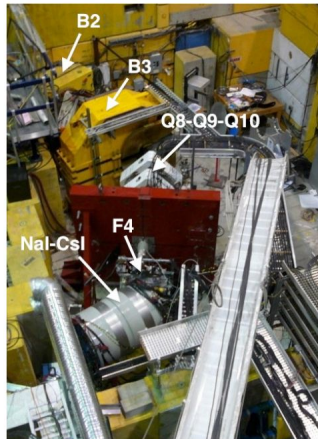
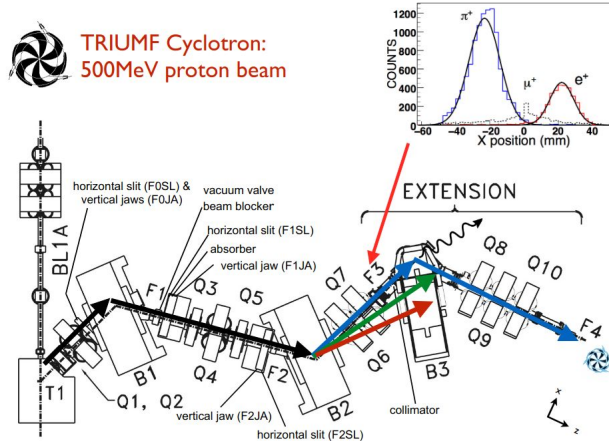
- Hyper-Kamiokande is 3rd generation water Cherenkov detector in Kamioka
- Important physics targets
 - Neutrino CP violation: Discovery with 5 σ for $\sim 60\%$ parameter regions
 - Nucleon Decay Search for testing GUT: $\tau > 10^{35}$ years for $p \rightarrow e^+\pi^0$
 - Neutrino Astrophysics: Supernova neutrinos
- Hyper-Kamiokande construction on schedule
 - World's largest underground facility: 260 kton water Cherenkov detector
 - Access tunnel and cavern construction on track
 - 50cm PMT production underway
 - Other detector component designs being finalized
 - Neutrino beam upgrade to 1.3 MW
 - Near detector upgrade and design of intermediate detector being finalized
- Hyper-Kamiokande will start operation in 2027.

Thanks to SECIHTI (CONAHCyT) for supporting the national projects CBF2023-2024-427, and CF-2023-G-643

- We plan to build about 4 mPMT in Mexico and will install them in the FD!
- Undergraduate, master, phd thesis, and available for PIONEER and Hyper-K... Get in contact :)
- Thesis for PIONEER:
 - Cinvestav with Pablo Roig
 - Tec de Mty with Saul Cuen <saулcuen@tec.mx>
- Thesis for Hyper-K:
 - UAS with Giannina Dalle Mese
 - UNACH with Karen Caballero
 - UdeG with Eduardo de la Fuente
 - UNAM with Eric Vazquez
 - Tec de Mty with Saul Cuen <saулcuen@tec.mx>

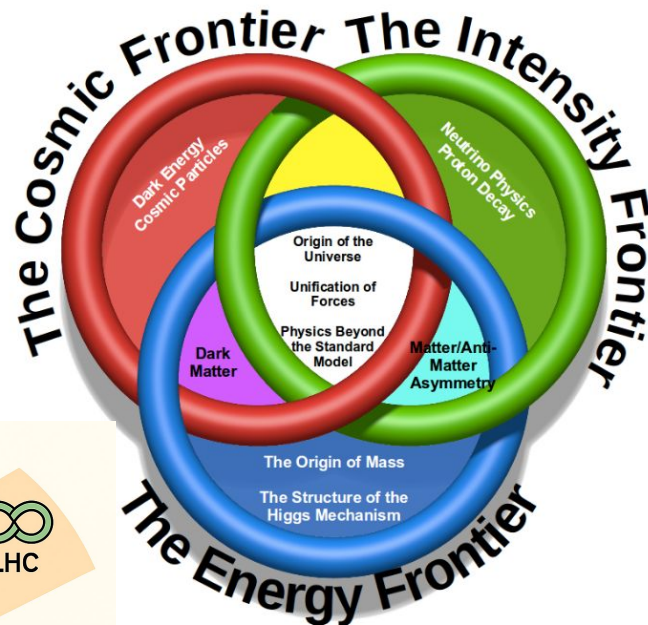
Probing the Foundations of the Standard Model

- One big question: Where will the Standard Model crack again...?
- Two complementary approaches: precision pion decays & gigaton-scale neutrino detection.

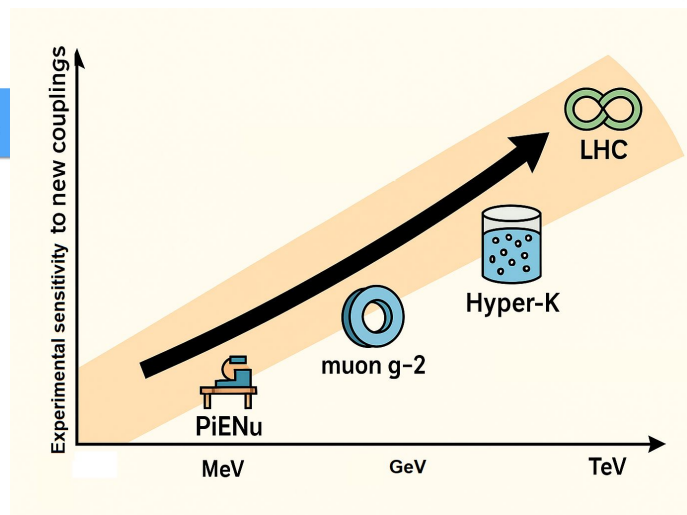
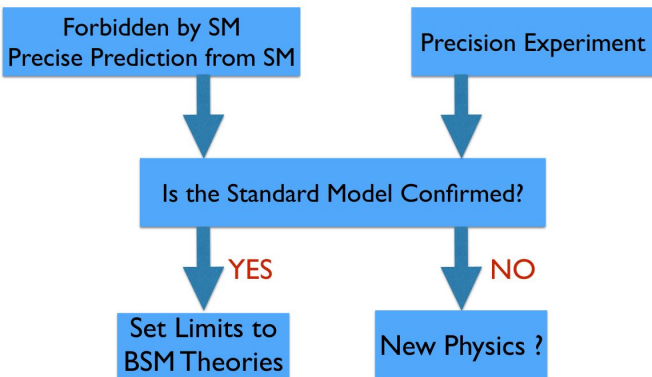


Why Look Beyond the Standard Model?

- Neutrino mass, dark matter, matter-antimatter asymmetry → SM incomplete.
- Need both high precision and high mass experiments (Hyper-K).
- Experimental sensitivity to new couplings rises with accessible energy scale, while pinpointing where PiENu (and Pioneer), muon g-2, Hyper-K, and the LHC sit along that frontier



Precision Frontier

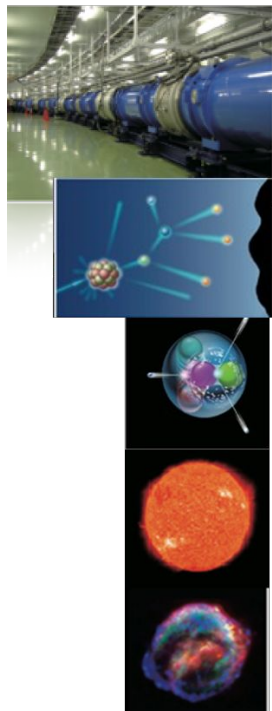


Experimental Dialectic

- Tabletop precision $\rightleftharpoons$ monumental scale.
- Each tests different couplings & energy regimes.
- Combined, they constrain a wider slice of parameter space.

Experiment	Physical Scale	Typical Detector Mass / Footprint	Sensitivity Lever	Flagship Observables	Example New-Physics Handles
PIeNU and PIONEER	Bench-top spectrometer (≈ 3 m long, 1 m^3)	~ 1 t of scintillator + NaI/CsI calorimetry	Fractional-percent precision $\Delta R_{e/\mu} \approx 0.1 \%$ for PIeNU and 0.01% for PIONEER (theory level)	$\pi \rightarrow e \nu$ vs $\pi \rightarrow \mu \nu$ branching ratio	Scalar / tensor couplings, charged-Higgs or leptoquarks that violate lepton universality
Hyper-Kamio- kande	Mountain-scale cavern ($71 \text{ m} \times 68 \text{ m}$)	260 kt ultrapure water, 40 k PMTs	Rare-event reach ($p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0 > 10^{35} \text{ y}$; δ_{CP} at 5σ)	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ oscillations, proton decay, super-nova ν burst	Leptonic CP violation, baryon-number violation, minimal SUSY-GUT, sterile- ν models

Hyper-K Target sensitivity

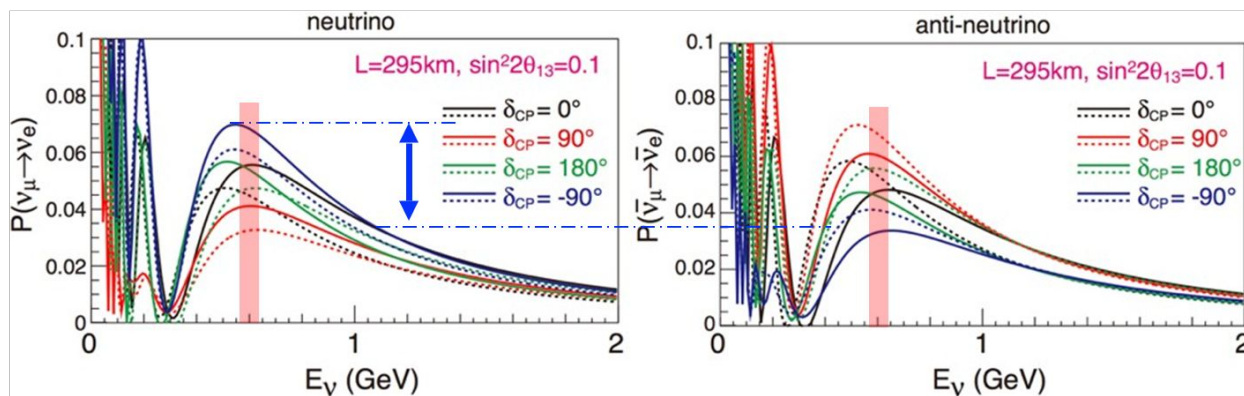


Physics category	Parameters	Sensitivity
LBL (1.3MW×10years)	δ precision	7°-20°
	CPV coverage ($3/5\sigma$)	76% / 58%
	$\sin^2\theta_{23}$ error (for 0.5)	± 0.017
ATM+LBL (10 years)	MO determination	$>3.8\sigma$
	Octant determination (3σ)	$ \theta_{23}-45^\circ >2^\circ$
Proton Decay (20 years)	τ for $e^+\pi^0$ (3σ)	1×10^{35} years
	τ for νK (3σ)	3×10^{34} years
Solar (10 years)	Day/Night (from 0 / from KL)	$8\sigma/4\sigma$
	Upturn	$>3\sigma$
Supernova	Burst (10kpc)	54k-90k
	Relic	70v's / 10 years

Long-baseline program with the J-PARC neutrino beam

Experimental setup

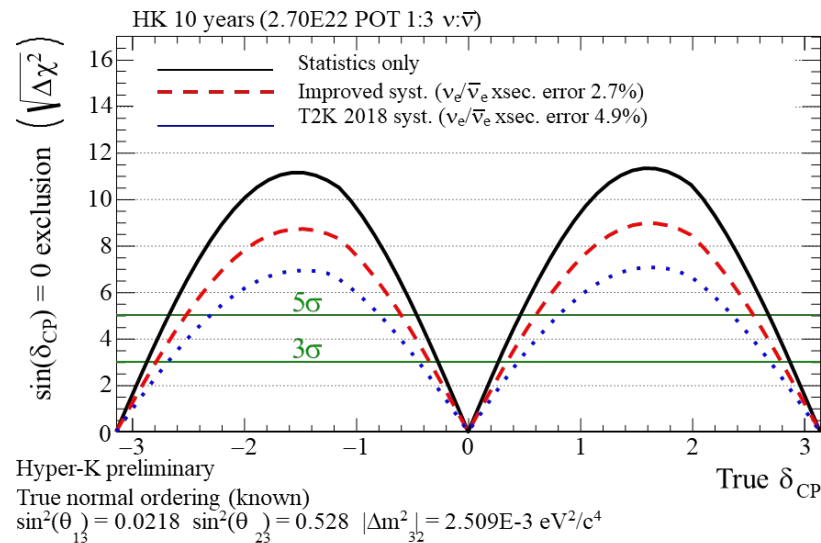
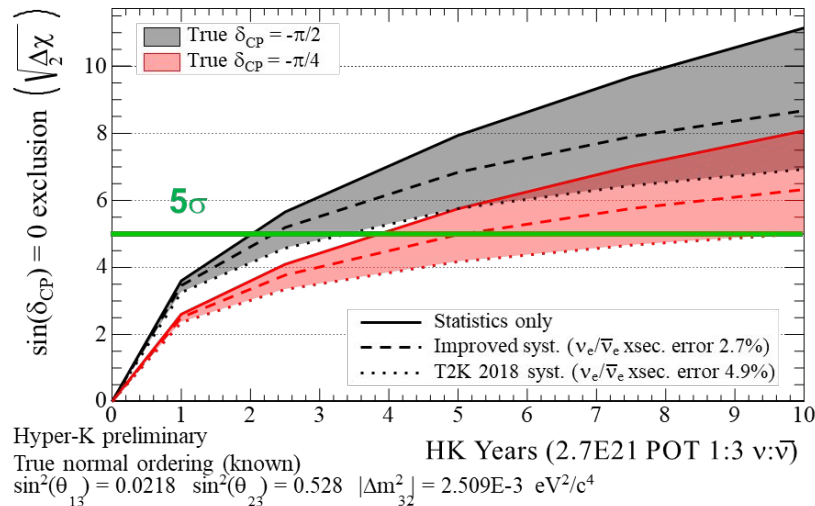
- 2.5° off-axis ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ beam peaked at 0.6 GeV (oscillation maximum at 295km)
 - Major interaction is QE: E_ν determined from (p, θ) of charged lepton
- Measures CP violation in neutrinos by comparing $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ and $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$



- A few % statistical uncertainties after 10 years operation with >1000 ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ signals

CP violation sensitivity

- Sensitivity CP violation with 1:3 ν : $\bar{\nu}$ beam



- With systematics and known mass ordering (MO): 2-3 years for 5σ sensitivity to exclude CP conservation for true $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$.
- After 10 years of operation, 60% of δ_{CP} values excluded at $> 5\sigma$

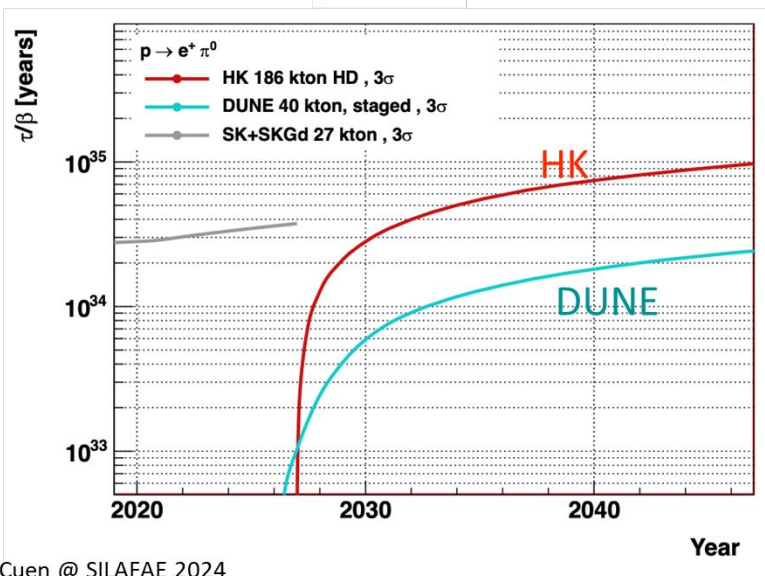
Nucleon decay search

- Nucleon decay is evidence of Beyond Standard Model (BSM) and Grand Unified Theories (GUT)
- Examples of proton decay sensitivity in two modes:

[HK] arXiv:1805.04163

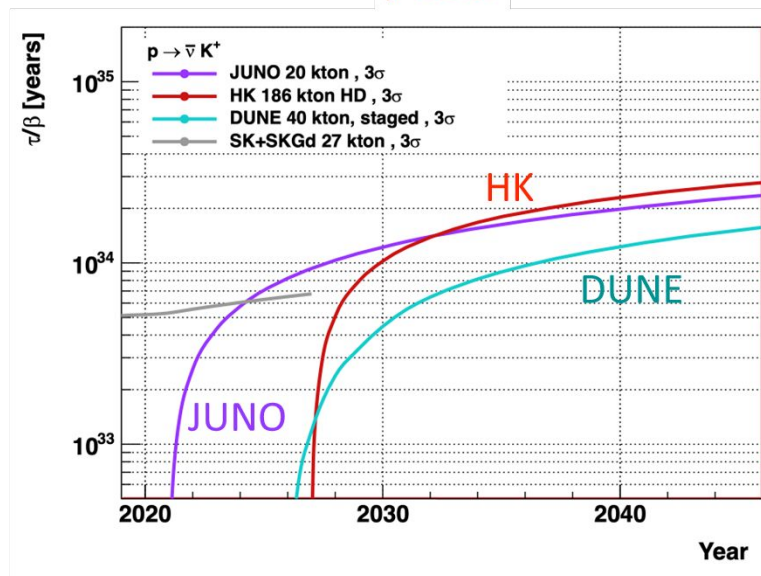
[DUNE] arXiv:2002.03005

[JUNO] arXiv:1508.07166



Saul Cuen @ SILAE 2024

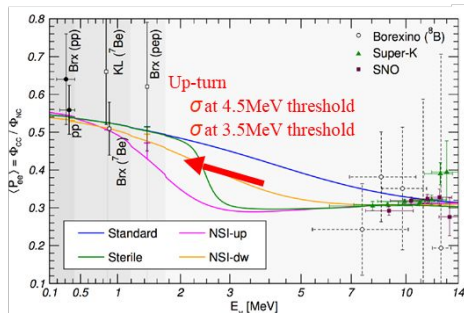
$\tau \sim 10^{35}$ years (3σ)



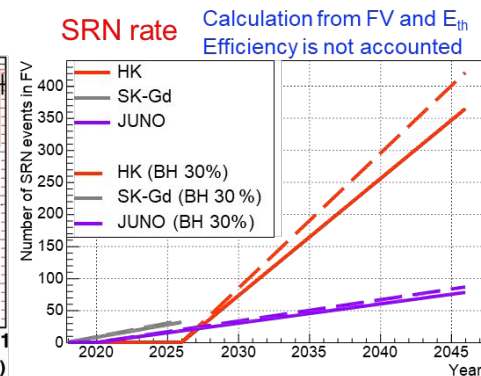
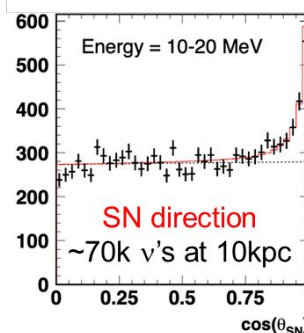
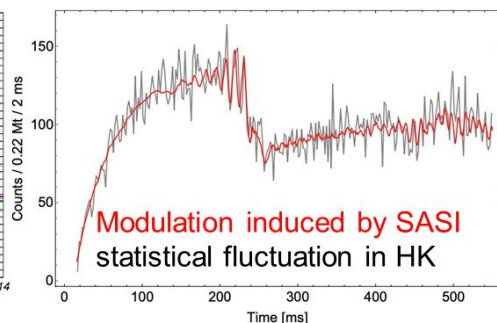
$\tau \sim 3 \times 10^{34}$ years (3σ)

Neutrino astrophysics

- Hyper-K is designed to be sensitive to neutrinos with energies starting from a few MeV, including time, energy and direction information. Unique role in multi-messenger observation
- **Solar neutrinos:** up-turn at vacuum-MSW transition, Day/Night asymmetry, hep neutrino observation
- **Supernova burst neutrinos:** explosion mechanism, BH/NS formation, alert with $\sim 1^\circ$ pointing
- **Supernova Relic Neutrinos (SRN):** stellar collapse, nucleosynthesis and history of the universe



M. Maltoni et al., Phys. Eur. Phys. J. A52, 87 (2016)



Mexican funds awarded for Hyper-K

- CF-2023-G-643 "Construcción y comisionado de sensores de ciencia frontera para la detección de supernovas, materia oscura, y medición de la asimetría bariónica en el Universo, en experimentos de Neutrinos de nueva generación" (2023)
 - Grant holder: Eduardo de la Fuente Acosta (UdeG)
 - Institutions involved:
 - KAREN SALOME CABALLERO MORA (UNACH)
 - GIANNINA DALLE MESE ZAVALA (UAS)
 - ALEJANDRO KADSUMI TOMATANI SANCHEZ (TEC-GDL)
 - Saul Cuen Rochin (TEC-SIN)
- CBF2023-2024-427 "Deep Learning y Fabricación de Sensores de Ciencia de Frontera para Experimentos de Neutrinos de Próxima Generación" (2024)
 - Grant holder : Saul Cuen Rochin (TEC-SIN)
 - Institutions involved :
 - GIANNINA DALLE MESE ZAVALA (UAS)

