# Outlook on v theory and phenomenology

- Reflections from / for a long-term project -



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# **Prologue** The Duomo of Milan

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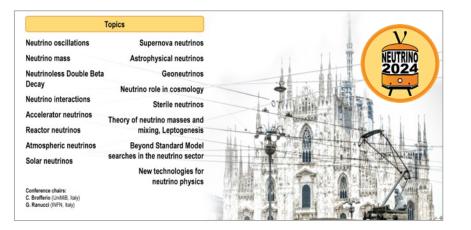
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# Outline

In analogy (or in contrast) with the Duomo construction

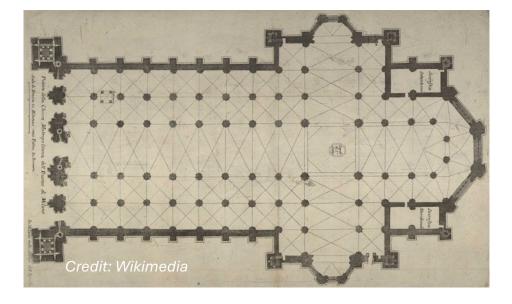
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With apologies to many talks [and all posters] not cited in the following ~25'...



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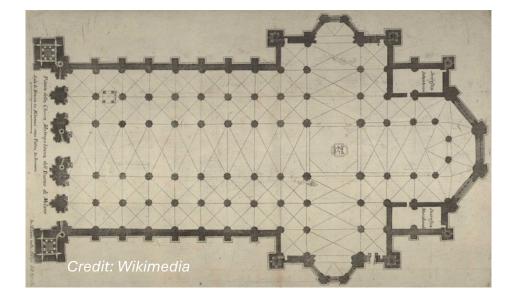
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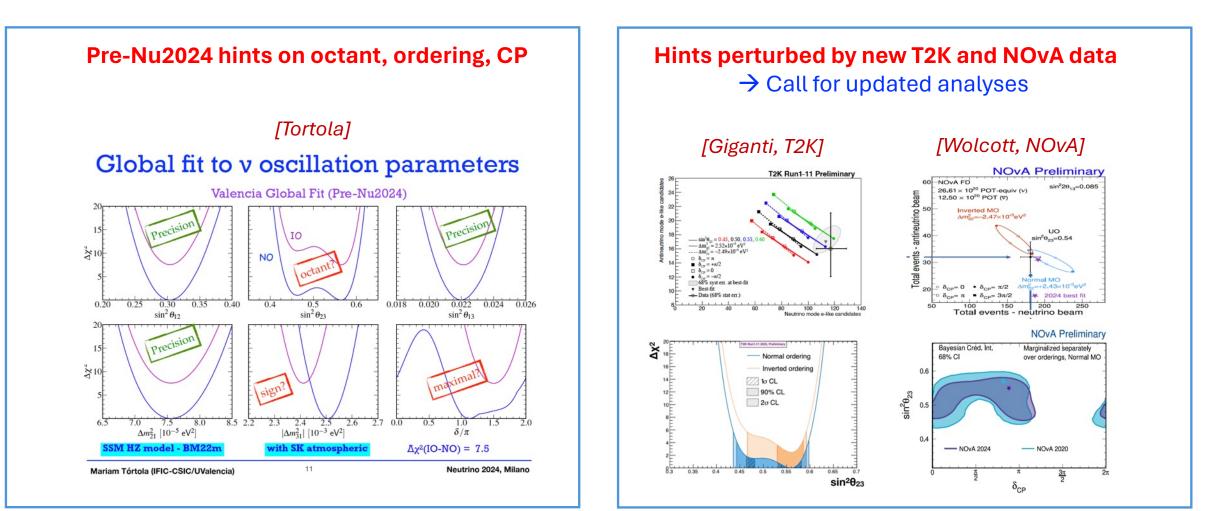


 $\rightarrow$  Standard 3v oscillation framework

**Our basic paradigm since 1998,** still resisting many stress tests (beyond 3v) Five pillars have been raised and will be further refined:  $\delta m^2$ ,  $|\Delta m^2|$ ,  $\theta_{12}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$ 

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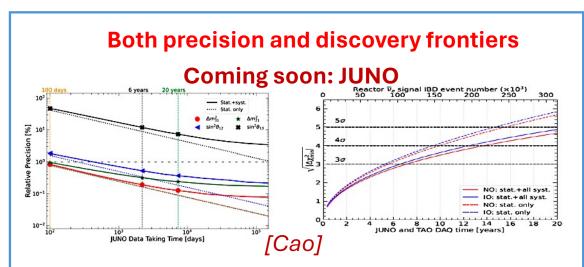


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... and exciting plans + guaranteed results for decades!



#### Expt frontiers with strong impact on theory/pheno

[Tortola, global analysis] [Soler, Brunner, Yanez, atmos. analysis] [Ding, flavor symmetries] [Worcester, LBL pheno] [Menendez, Guenette, 0vββ pheno] [Maneira, solar v] [Expt. talks...]

#### Each pillar supported by ≥2 classes of expts → Learn from ≥2 datasets via joint/global analyses

#### [Tortola]

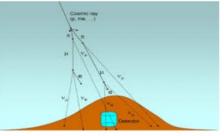
Solar sector:  $\theta_{12}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{21}$ 

Atmospheric sector:  $\theta_{23}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{31}$ ,  $\delta$ 

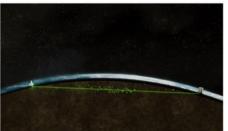


Reactor sector:  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\Delta m^{2}_{31}$ 





Accelerator sector:  $\theta_{23}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{31}$ ,  $\delta$ 



# Joint oscillation analysis [McDonald]

- Different energies, baselines can resolve the degeneracies between mass ordering and  $\delta_{CP}$  and/or  $\theta_{23}$  octant and  $\delta_{CP}$
- It is important to study possible correlations in the systematics errors between the experiments

← Can be studied also by "external users" [Tortola]

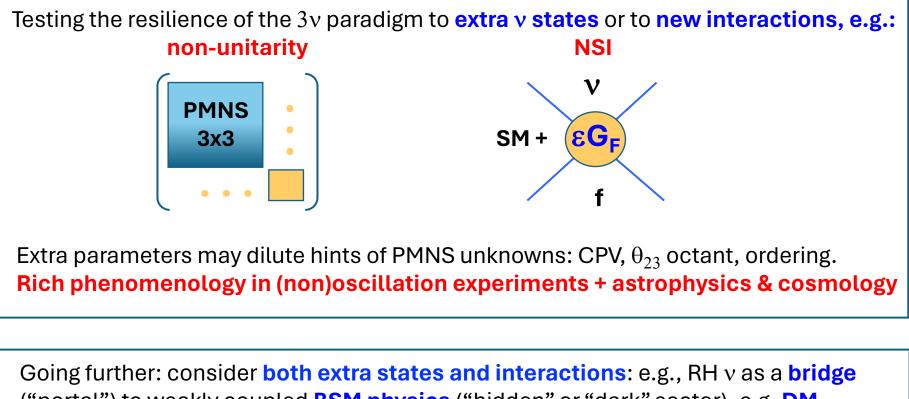
← Should be jointly carried out by Collaborations

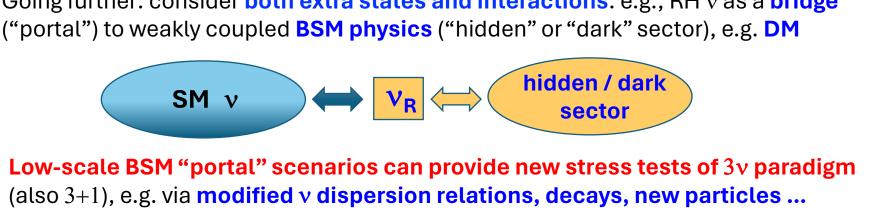
#### At (sub)percent error level, need to align common features & avoid "pillar mismatch", e.g.

Joint Collab. fit	Required alignment	Status
T2K+SKatm	Detector and cross-section syst's	Done
NOvA+T2K	${f v}$ production and interaction models	In progress
NOVA+T2K+ SKatm	All of the above	?
SKatm+IC-DCatm	Flux and cross section uncertainties	? [Martinez-Soler]

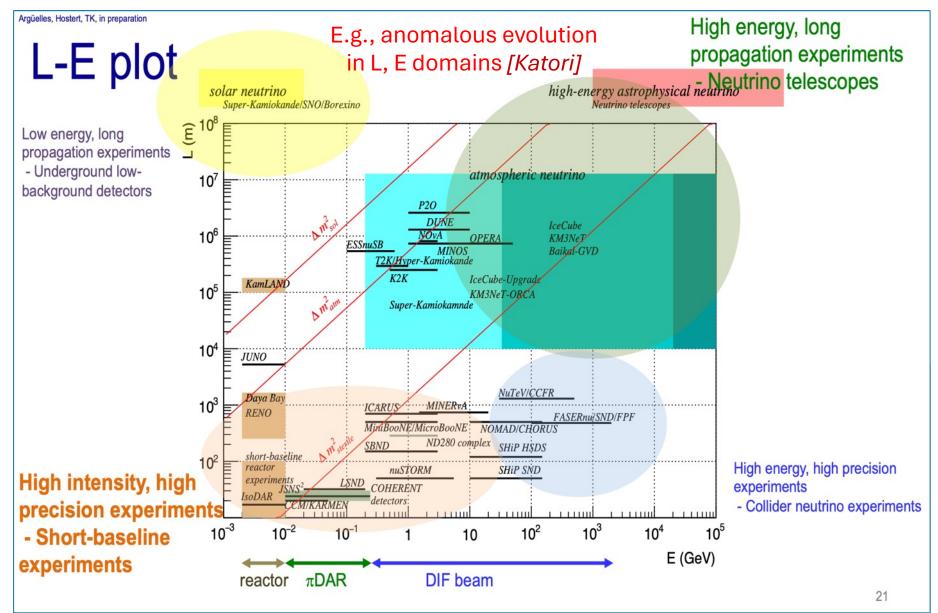
... also to exploit powerful synergy/complementarity in larger combinations (e.g., +JUNO)

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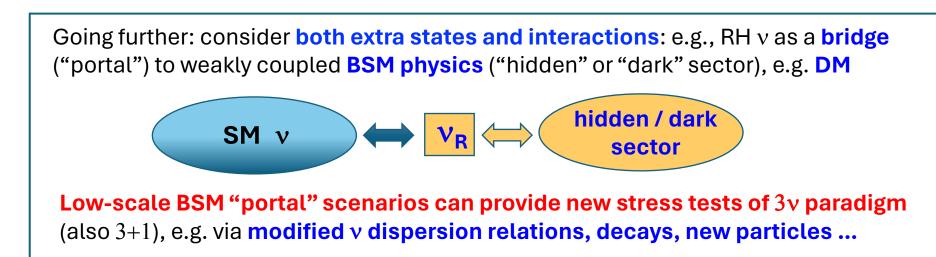
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Testing the resilience of the 3v paradigm to extra v states or to new interactions, e.g.: non-unitarity
NSI
PMNS
3x3
SM +  $\mathcal{E}G_{F}$ 

Extra parameters may dilute hints of PMNS unknowns: CPV,  $\theta_{23}$  octant, ordering. **Rich phenomenology in (non)oscillation experiments + astrophysics & cosmology** 



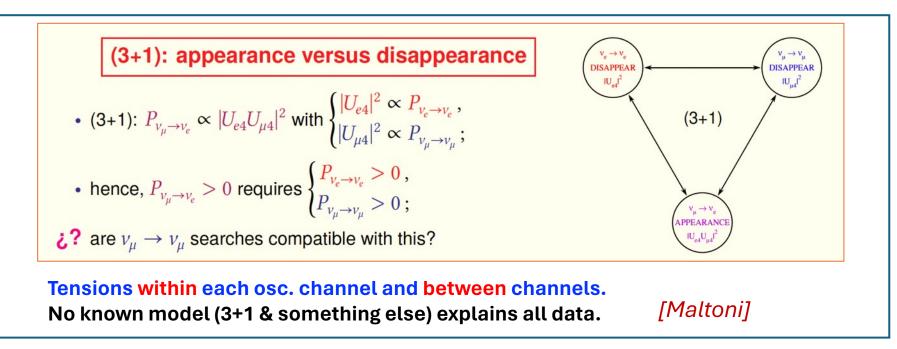
No evidence so far, except for possible O(eV) sterile v anomalies [next slide]

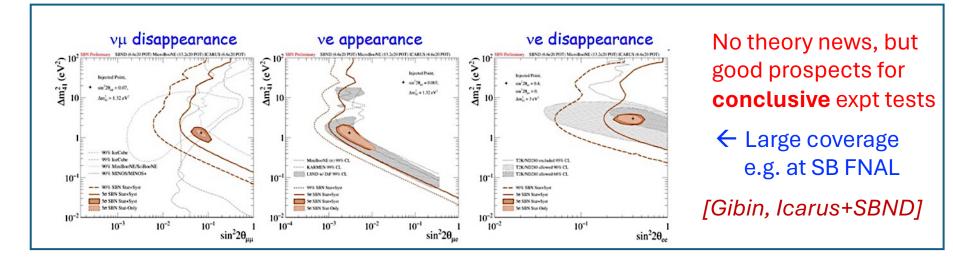
Important to keep 3v "under pressure" via theory variants

Unexpected results may come any time!

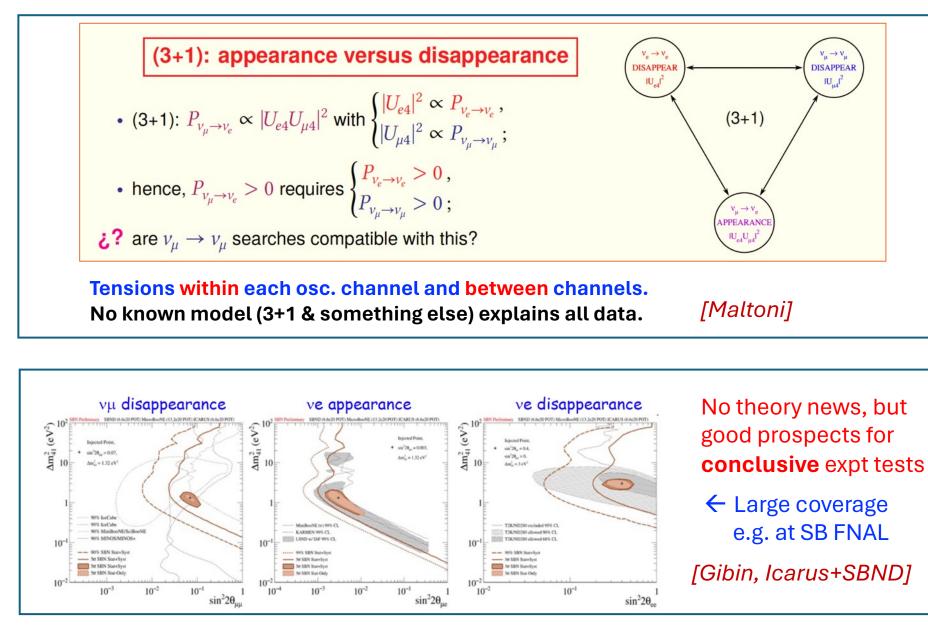
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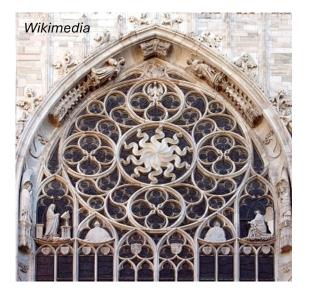


Sterile v status largely discussed

[Maltoni] [Gorbunov] [Danilov] [+Expt talks...]

If true, it would be a major perturbation and redirect theory & expt research

If false, should trigger retrospective review in Neutrino 20XY: What went wrong?





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## $\rightarrow$ Patterns in the 3v framework?

Do they exist? If so, any hope to unravel them?

## $\rightarrow$ The most fundamental v symmetry...

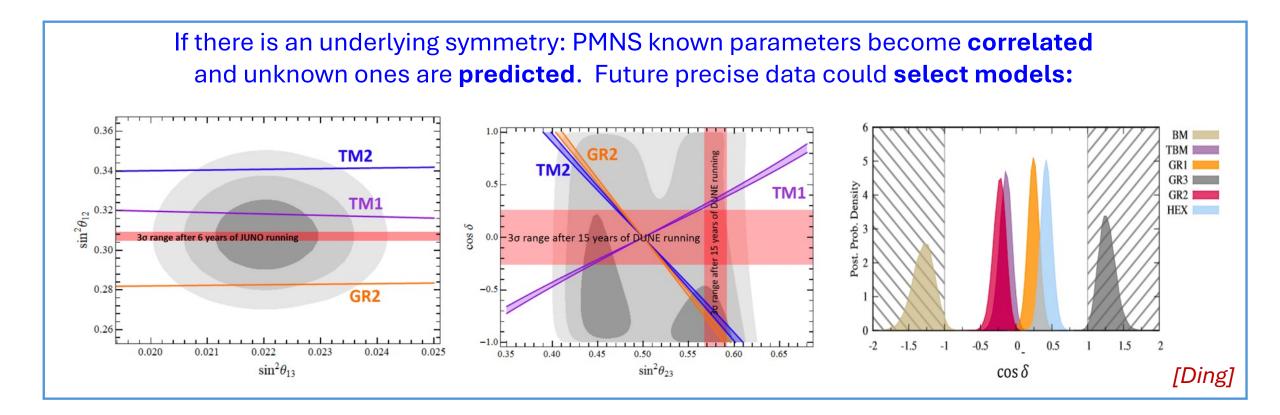
Particle = antiparticle?

## Model building by assuming symmetries

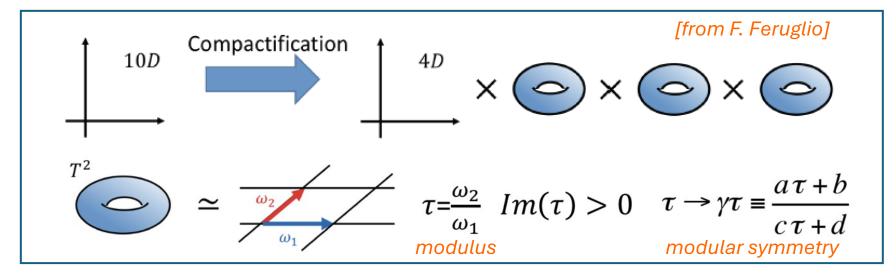
No baseline for flavor symmetry group! **Flavor symmetries:** New scale(s) with PSL(2,7) N=7 higher symmetries group patterns  $\Delta(96$ SO(3) $\Sigma(168)$ PSL(2,5)  $S_4$  $A_5$  $\Delta(27$ N=5 flavor symmetry N=4 [Ding] Leptons N=3 N=2 gauge symmetry Hope to "explain" at least lepton, + possibly also quark flavor sector, with relatively few new d.o.f. Quarks  $G_l \rtimes H_{CP}^l$  $G_{\nu} \rtimes H_{CP}^{\nu}$ U# parameters  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$ 0  $Z_n$  $K_4 \times CP$  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} R_{23}(\theta) P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $Z_n$  $Z_2 \times CP$ 1  $\mathcal{U}_{PMNS} = \mathcal{U}_{l} + \mathcal{U}_{v}$  $Z_2 \times CP$  $K_4 \times CP'$  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T R_{23}^T(\theta_l) \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T R_{23}^T(\theta_l) \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} R_{23}(\theta_{\nu}) P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $Z_2 \times CP$  $Z_2 \times CP'$ 2  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T U_{23}^{\dagger}(\theta_l, \delta_l) \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $Z_2$  $K_4 \times CP$  $Z_n$ CP $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} O_3(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) Q_{\nu}$ 3 CP $Q_l^{\dagger} O_3^T(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $K_4 \times CP'$  $Q_l^{\dagger} P_l^T U_{23}^{\dagger}(\theta_l, \delta_l) \Sigma_l^{\dagger} \Sigma_{\nu} R_{23}(\theta_{\nu}) P_{\nu} Q_{\nu}$  $Z_2$  $Z_2 \times CP$ 

## Testability and accuracy: two extreme viewpoints...

If there is no particular structure but **random entries** in the PMNS matrix ("anarchy"): higher precision data would bring **no further insights.** 



Various symmetry attempts "unified" under the concept of "modular symmetry" (MS) [inspired by string theory & compactified extra dimensions; requires supersymmetry.]

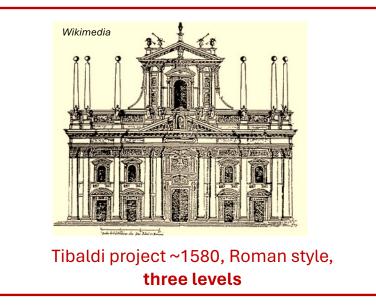


Successful realizations of MS are rather constraining on neutrino flavor sector **(including**  $0\nu\beta\beta$  **and Majorana phases)** 

In a sense...

SM: tell EW scale, but not flavor structure MS: may tell us flavor structure, but scale?

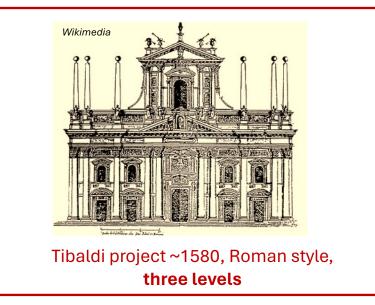




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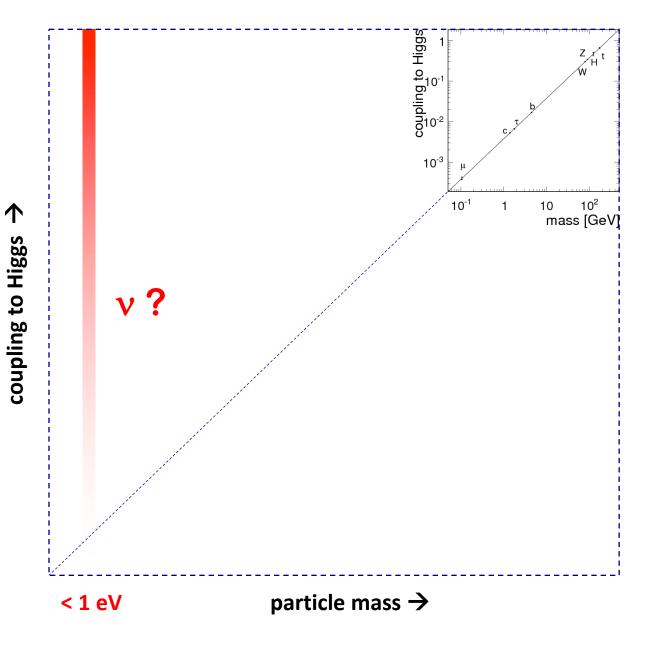


Buzzi project ~1651, Gothic style, further levels and high side towers

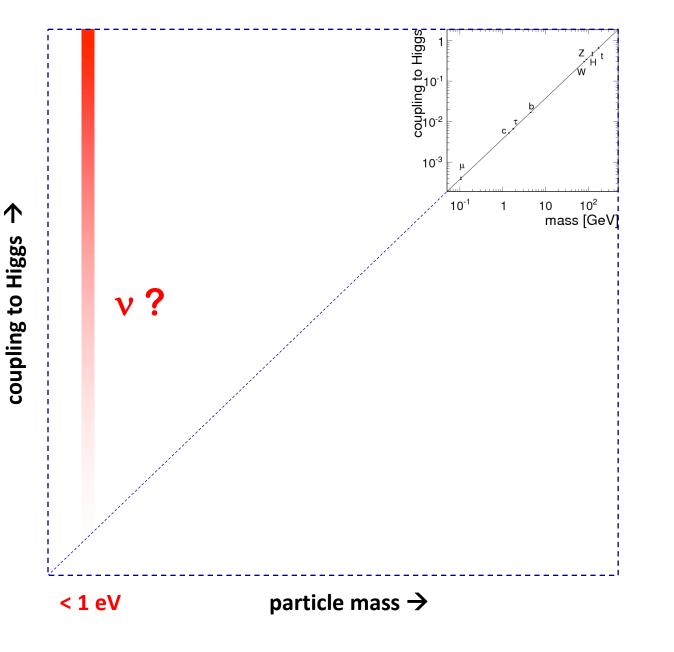
### $\rightarrow$ Searching absolute v mass scale(s)

Assessing the scale of known **light** v and possibly **heavier scales,** involves searches spanning a variety of expt. domains and theory approaches

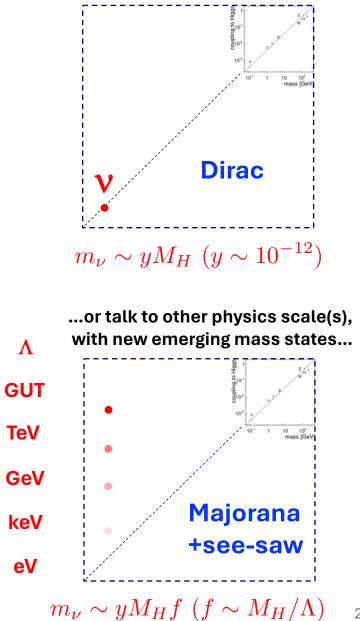
#### Why are the $\nu$ 's so light? Where are they on this plot?



#### Why are the v's so light? Where are they on this plot?



Neutrinos might just couple to the Higgs with tiny Yukawas...



Λ

TeV

eV

#### [Ding] [Katori] mass hierarchy texture zero Long-term mass scale exploration program... GUTs trong CF modulu stabilisation gCP [Fernandez-M.] Expt exploration of "near" scales [De Roeck] Λ Cosmology **GUT** Short and long Collider baseline searches v oscillations Meson decays TeV 10 10<sup>2</sup> mass [GeV] peak searches Mev GeV eV **keV** TeV GeV Kinks in $\beta$ decay spectrum Precision Majorana Fixed **keV** electroweak target and flavour +see-saw searches violation Neutrinoless double beta decay eV

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u} \sim y M_H f ~(f \sim M_H / \Lambda)$  25

Theory exploration

up to "far" scales

## A long-term challenge to higher levels: the Duomo lantern construction...

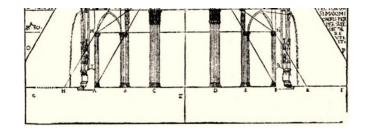
**1487:** Lantern project competition (Leonardo da Vinci among other candidates)

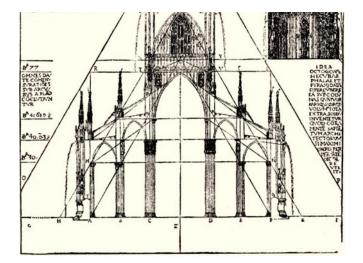
**1490-1500:** Lantern construction (Winner architects Amedeo & Dolcebuono)

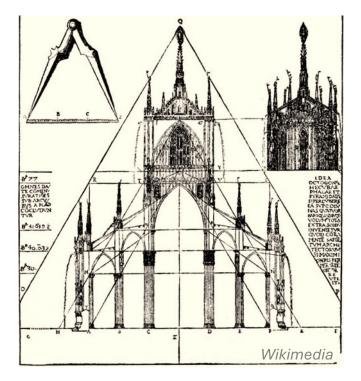
**1765-1769:** Main Spire above (after stability study by R. Boscovich)



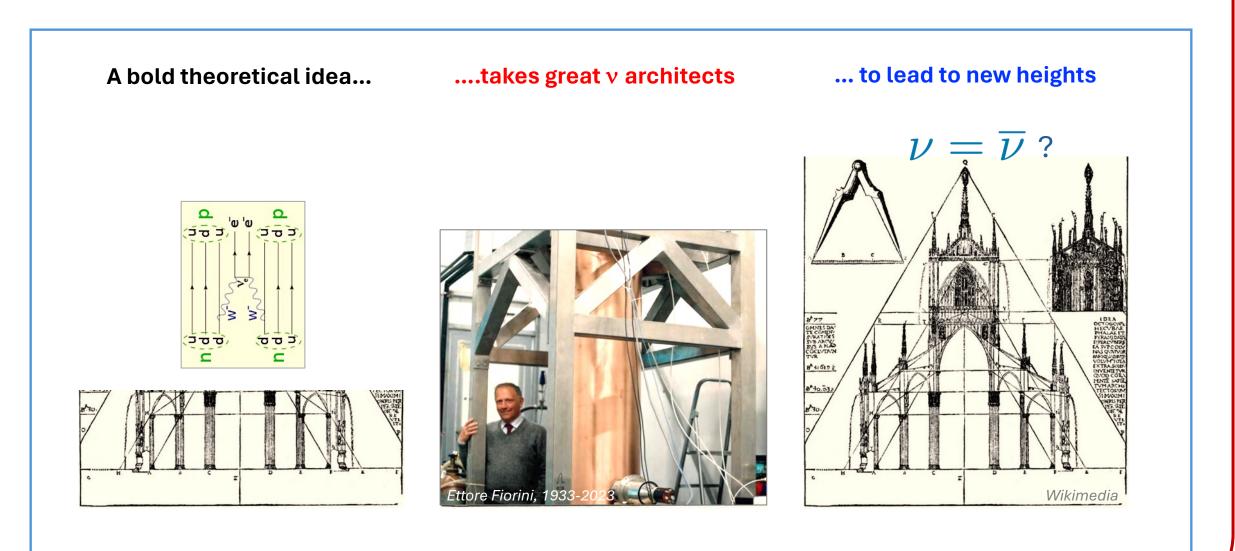
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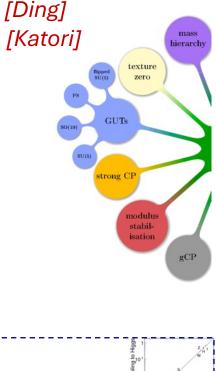




## ... the challenge of probing Majorana neutrinos with $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay



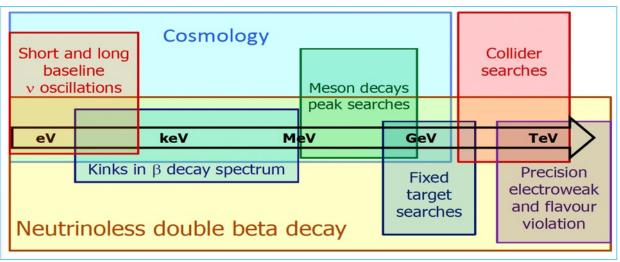
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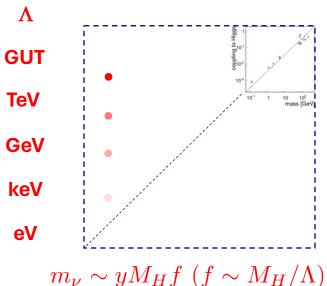


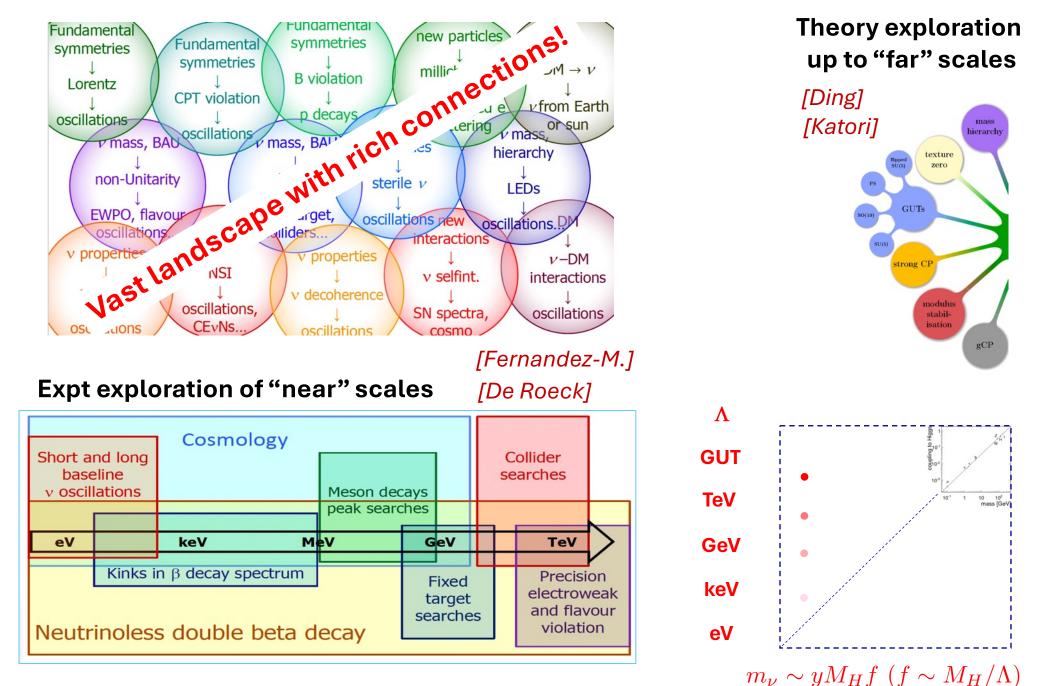
# Long-term mass scale exploration program...

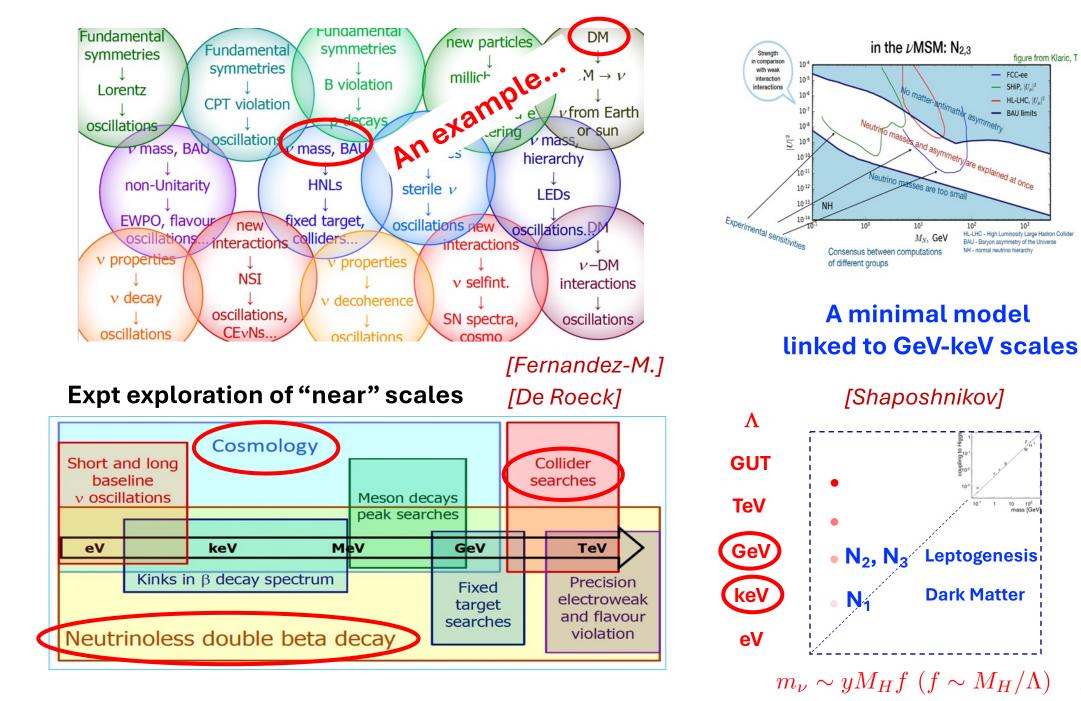
#### [Fernandez-M.] es [De Roeck]

#### Expt exploration of "near" scales

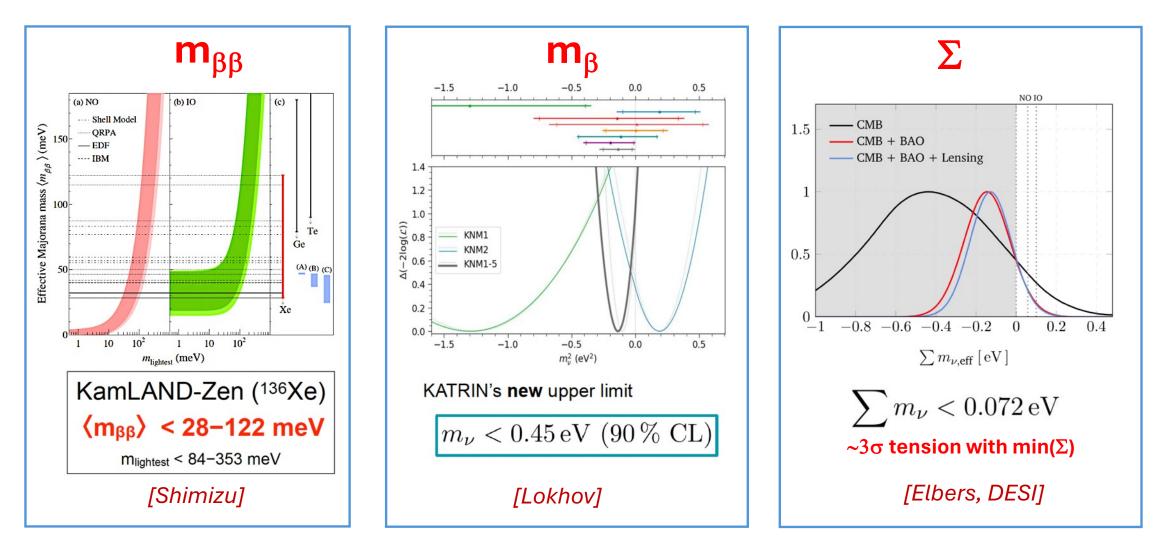




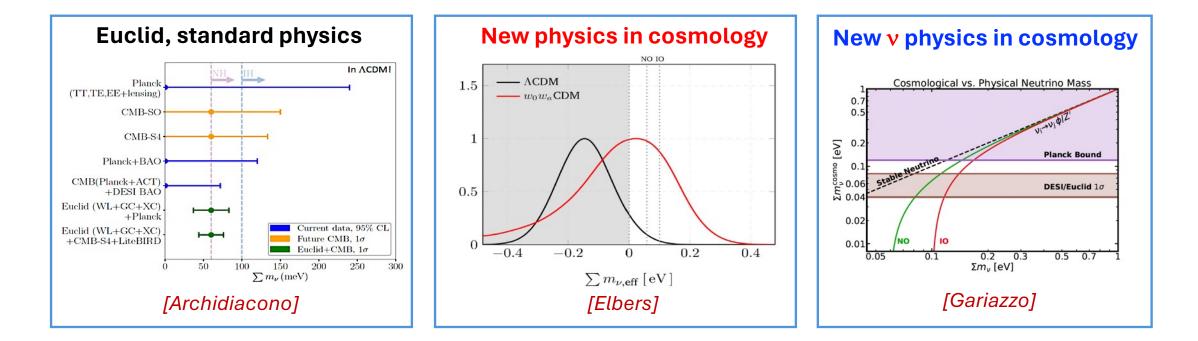




## Down to the "ground" level: masses of the known neutrinos. Nu2024 highlights:



All best-fits above in the unphysical region. [For KL-Zen, my guess: S=(S+B)-B < 0] Not worrying (yet) for  $\beta$  and  $\beta\beta$ , but what about cosmology?



#### **Personal viewpoint:**

- If DESI indication  $\Sigma < 0$  disconfirmed by Euclid: **another "internal" cosmo data tension** → Unstable bounds on  $\Sigma$  until tension is understood and resolved
- If DESI indication confirmed by Euclid: really unexpected v surprise in cosmology!
  - $\rightarrow$  But no robust conclusion on  $\Sigma$  until new underlying physics (cosmo, v) is identified
- In both cases: increasing importance of lab searches for NO/IO,  $m_{\beta}$  and  $m_{\beta\beta}$  $\rightarrow m_{\beta}$  and NO/IO: input to cosmology; also important to reduce NME theory error in  $m_{\beta\beta}$





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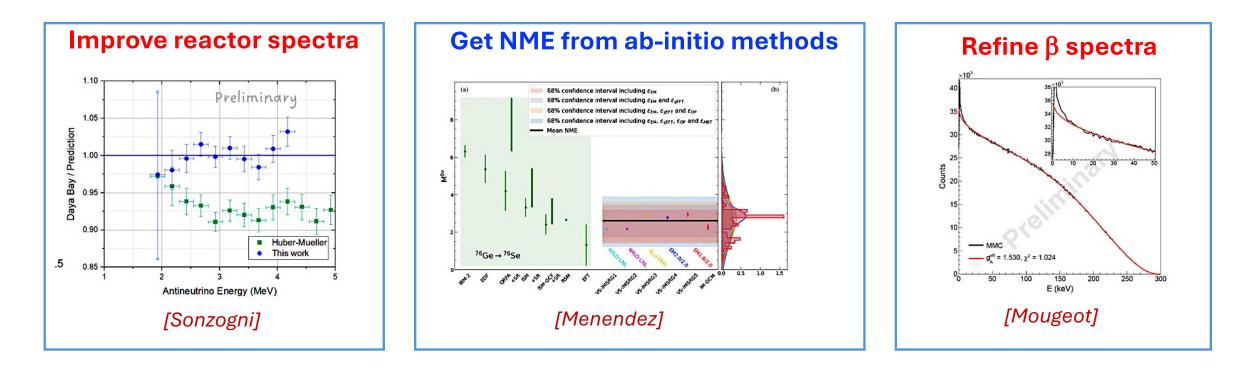


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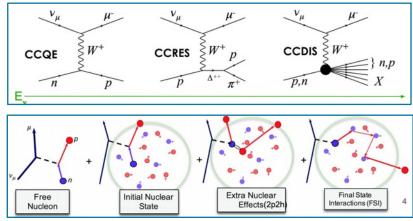


#### **Advance interac. theory**

- Ongoing progress:
  - Lattice and perturbative QCD
  - Effective Field Theory
  - Phenomenological models
  - Monte Carlo simulations

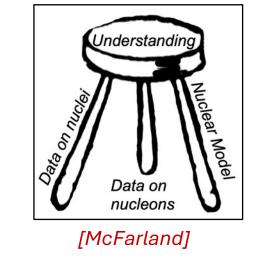
[Alvarez-Ruso]

#### Account for microscopic complexity

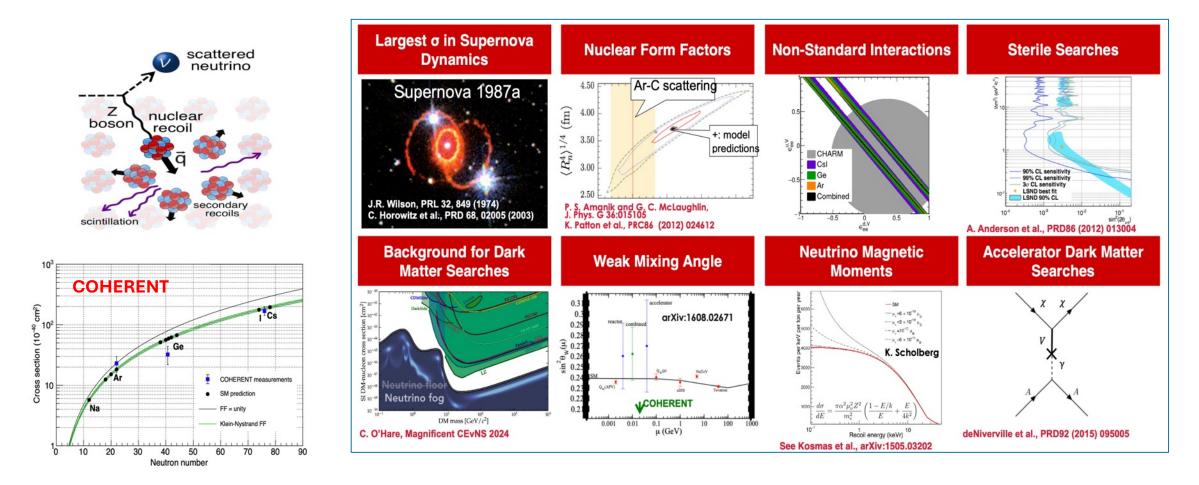


[Buizza-Avanzini]

#### **Benchmark nucl. models**



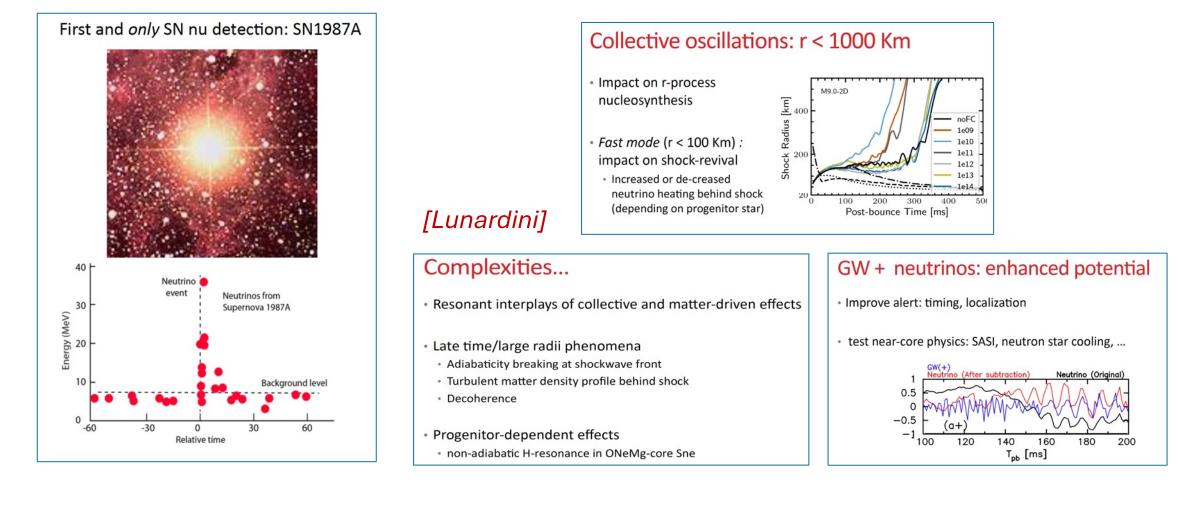
# **CEvNS:** renovating entire research lines along new (non)standard directions!



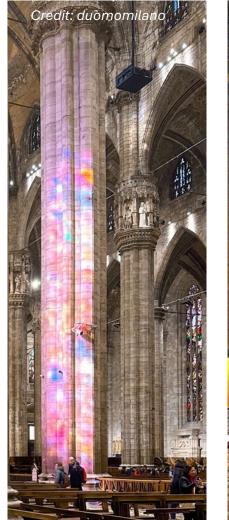
## How low-E data ... can lead to a vast set of theo/pheno connections!

[Nasteva, Green]

### From nuclei to dense media: neutrinos in the SN environment



Need to improve theoretical description, to get the most from next SN event(s) [hopefully multimessenger...]





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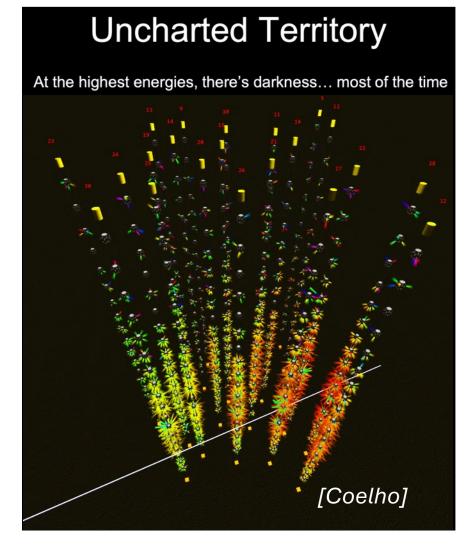
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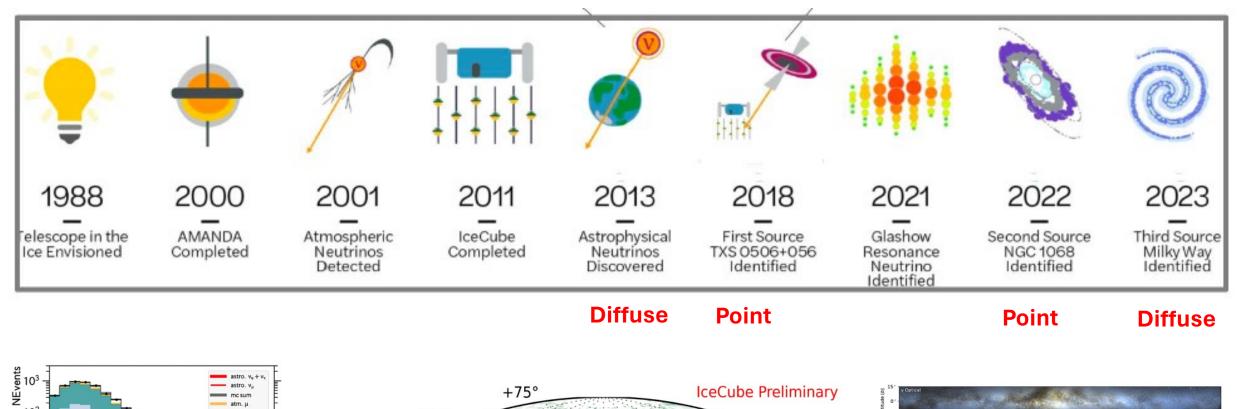
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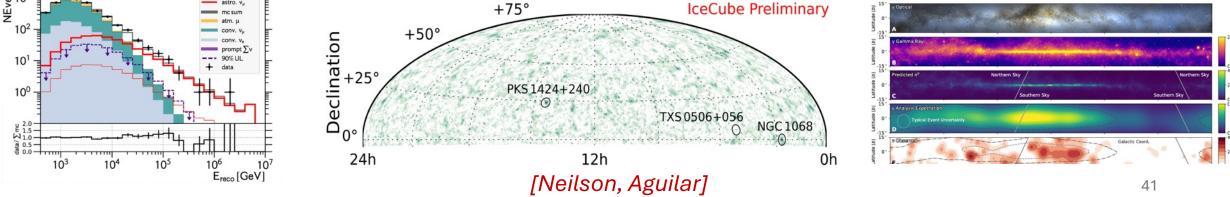
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## Illuminating the high-energy v sky: building a "catalog" of sources





## When you start a catalog, you never know where you will end up...

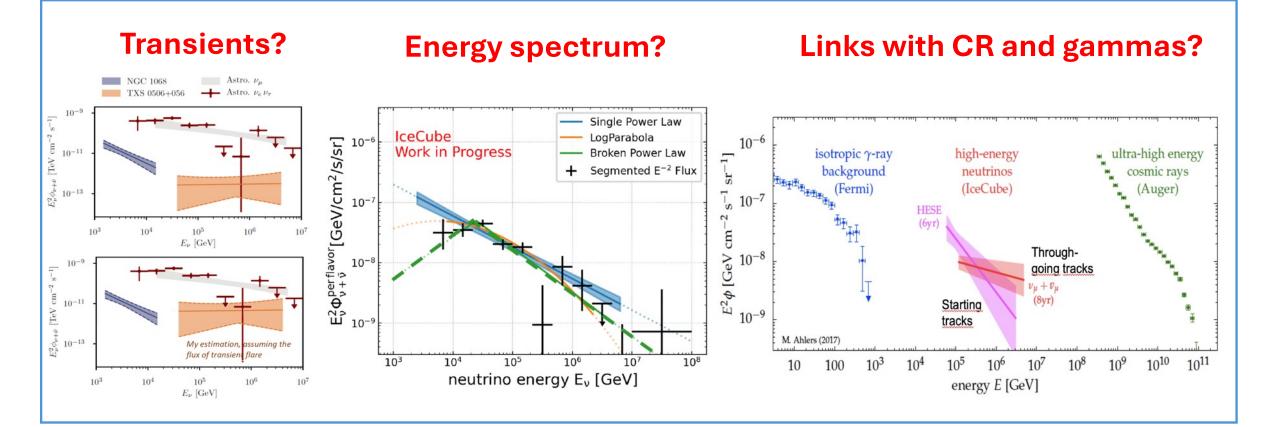
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### ... and later editions

### Particle Data Book 1957...

### Many open questions:

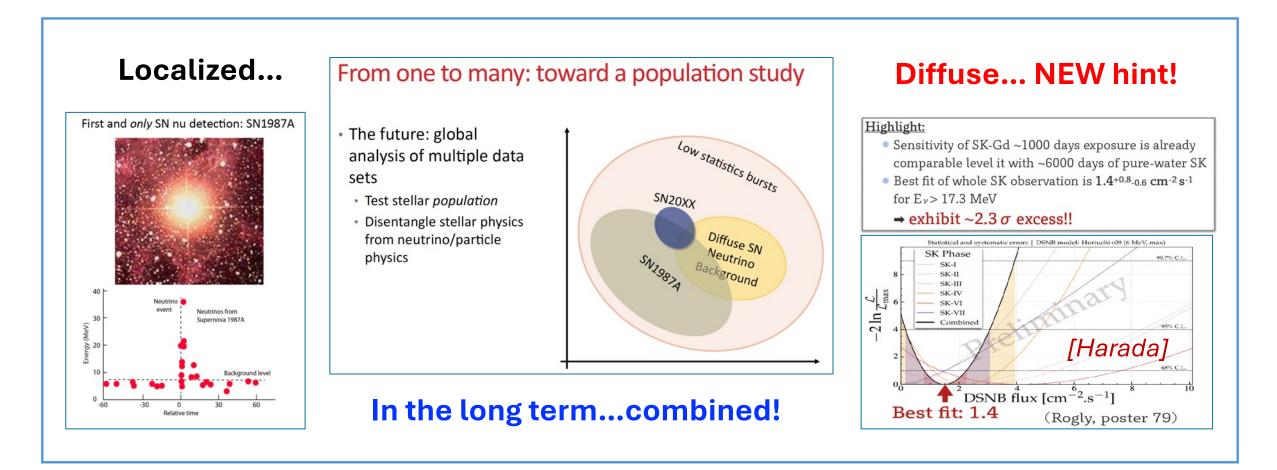


What are the  $\nu$  sources, and where? Can we detect other messengers?

We are just at the beginning...

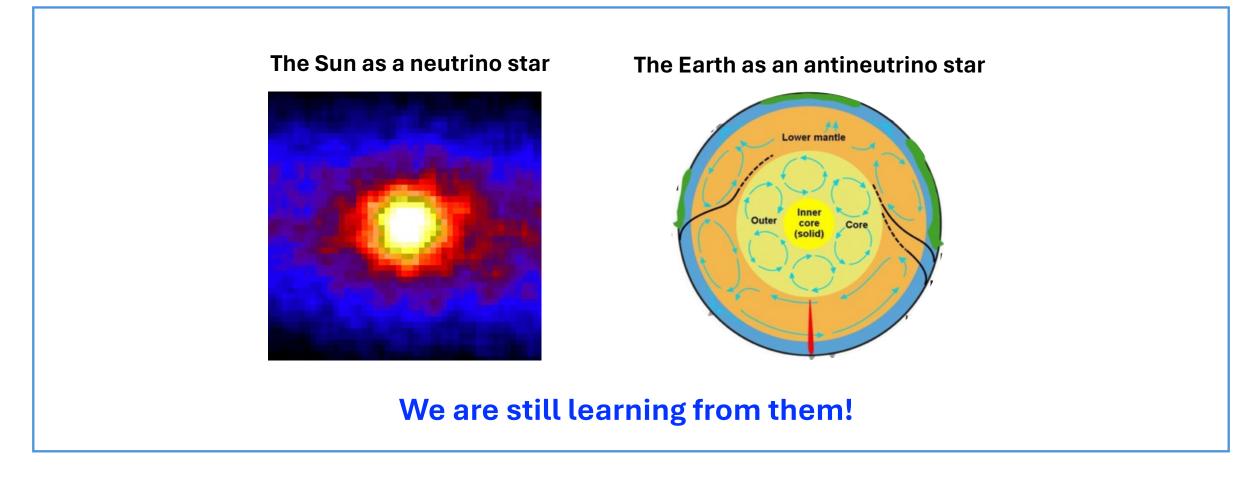
[Spurio, Aguilar, Franckowiak, Neilson]

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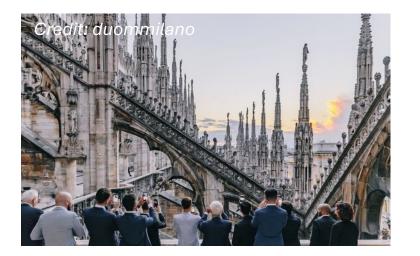
[Lunardini, Franckowiak]

## ... and with time-honored, stationary sources



[Bellini, Maneira, Ludhova]



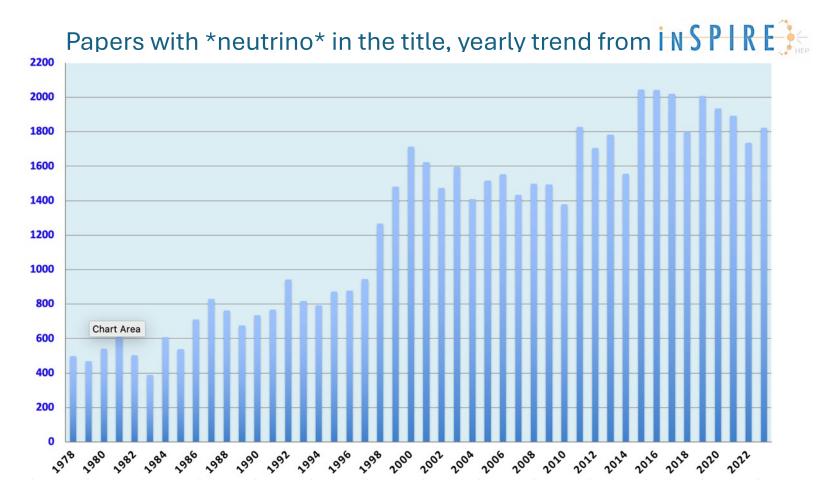


## **Epilogue:**

## **Engaging with society**

The Duomo continues to be an appreciated masterpiece, although not necessarily for the same reasons (or in the same way) as for people living centuries ago with a different mindset and culture. Perceptions may change!

### Interest in v physics (expt+theo) will remain high in the scientific community...



... and we should strive to transfer it into society at all levels, especially in a time of great changes

### Organization of successful outreach events is increasingly important!

- 1. Public Event: "Quei piccoli enigmatici neutrini"
- 2. Lecture for students: "The genesis of the neutrino concept"
- 3. Activity for kids: "Che fisiche!"



- 1. Speakers: Silvia Pascoli, Elisa Resconi, Guido Tonelli. Moderator: Giuliana Galati
- 2. Lecturers: Francesco Vissani
- 3. Authors: Ilaria Canobbio and Cecilia Orsera

#### Also in the spirit of: "Science with no borders" [S. Ragazzi, memories of E. Fiorini]

#### Let me thank Chiara, Gioacchino and the LOC for an exciting conference week...



## ...and all of you for your attention!









