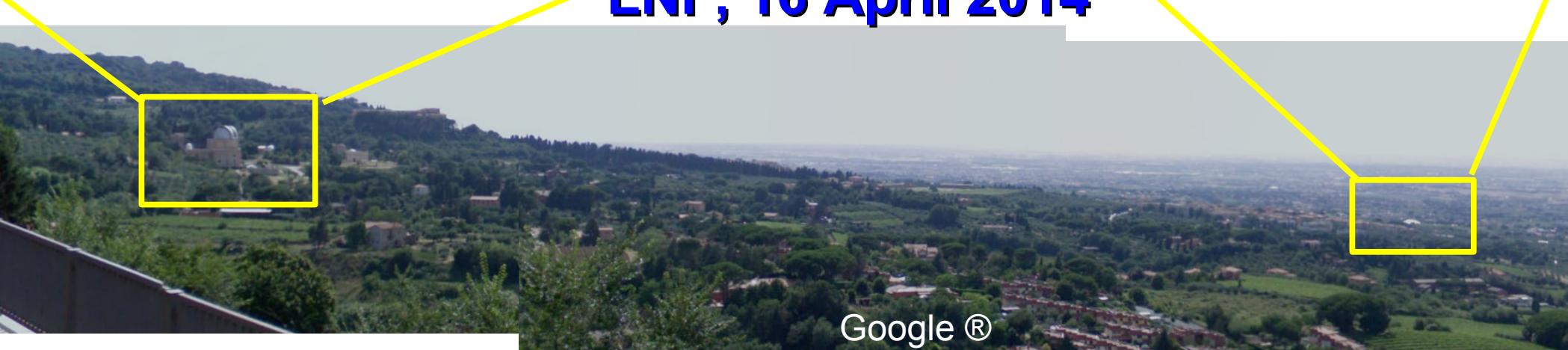




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Neutrinos

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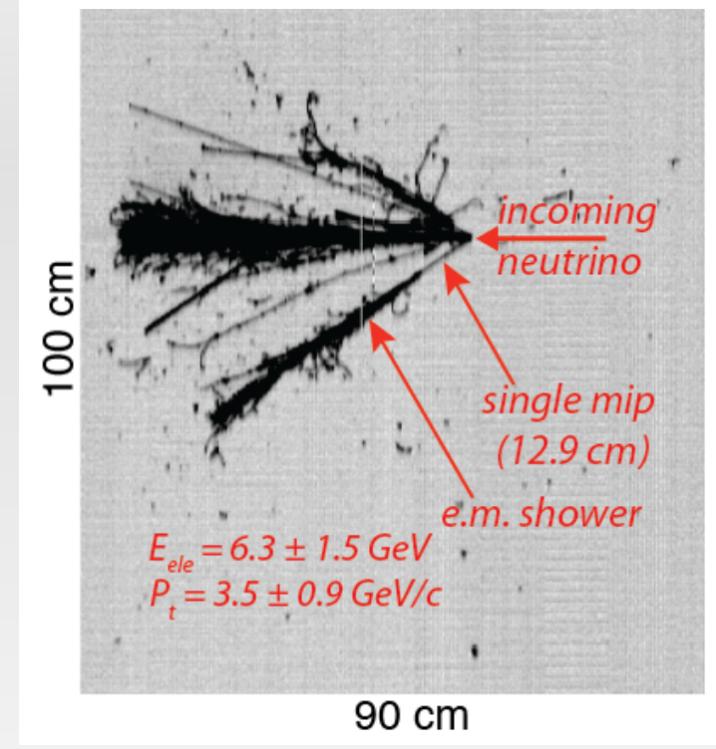
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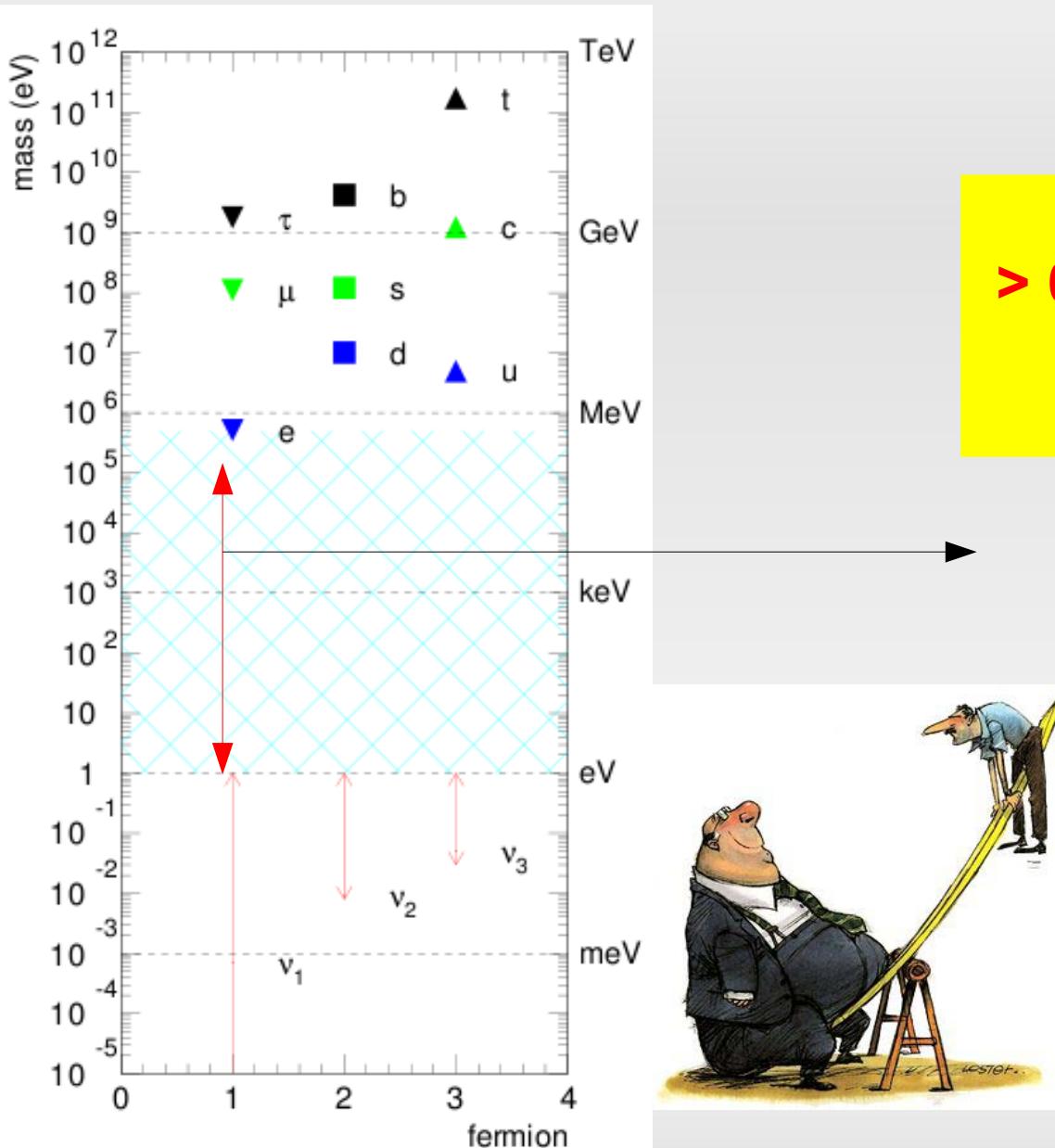
I will try to highlight neutrino physics activities within INFN with a special focus on those with LNF direct involvement

- Physics goals (INFN perspective)
- Experimental techniques and tools

An (incomplete!) description of our activities to stimulate ideas potential collaborations among our communities.



Neutrino masses



``Tiny'' masses!
> 6 order of magnitude
lighter than the
electron! Why ?



Points to physics at the **GUT scale**
through the simple **see-saw**
mechanism

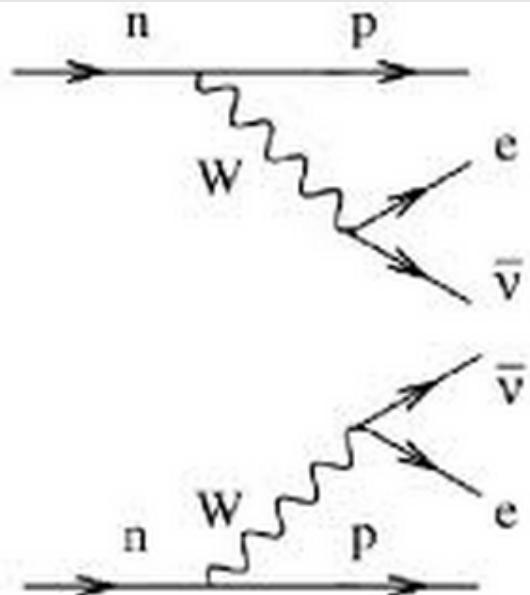
$$\text{meV} \sim (10^2 \text{ GeV})^2 / 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

Neutrinos might be special
fermions (of Majorana type). Mass
contribution not only from Higgs
couplings.

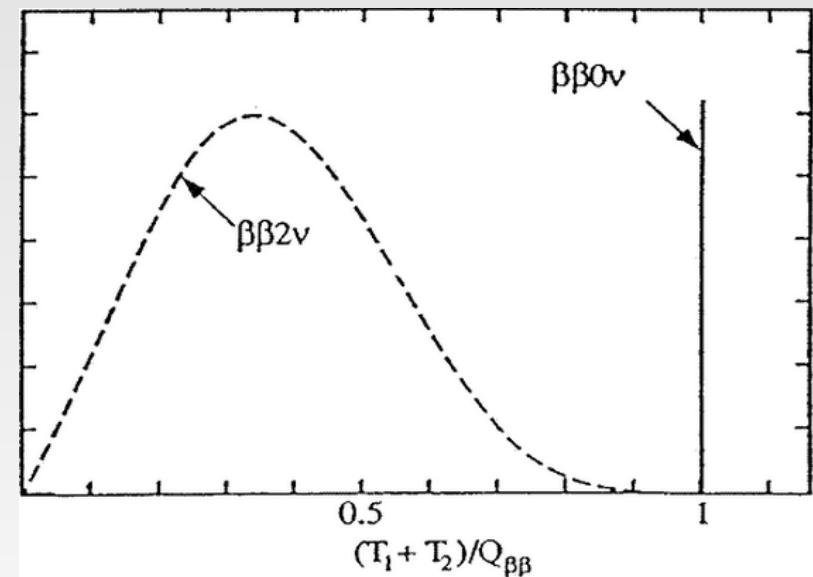
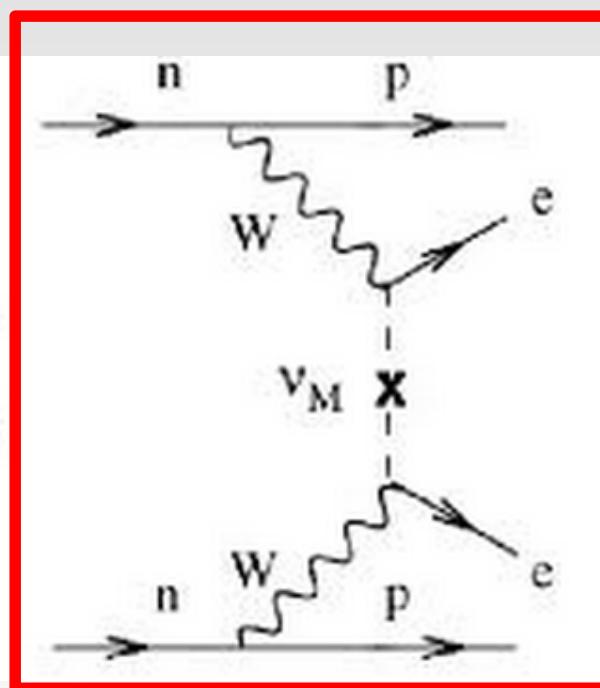
Nature of neutrinos

Are neutrinos described as Dirac or Majorana fermions ?
does the double beta decay without neutrinos ($\beta\beta 0\nu$) exist ?

$\beta\beta 2\nu$ (measured)



$\beta\beta 0\nu$?



More realistically measurable with inverted hierarchy

ν mixing and oscillations

Mass eigenstates (ν_1, ν_2, ν_3) \leftrightarrow weak eigenstates $(\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau)$ $|\nu_\alpha(t)\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i}^* |\nu_i(t)\rangle$

U : "Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata" matrix \sim CKM for quarks

$$\Delta m_{31}^2$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix}$$

SuperK, K2K, MINOS, OPERA, ICARUS, T2K

atmospheric+LBL

$$s_{ij} \equiv \sin(\theta_{ij}), c_{ij} \equiv \cos(\theta_{ij})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & e^{-i\delta} s_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{i\delta} s_{13} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

Chooz, Daya Bay, RENO
T2K, MINOS, NOvA

Chooz

$$\Delta m_{21}^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

SuperK, SNO, KamLAND

solar+KamLAND

3 mixing angles $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}$

1 CP phase: δ

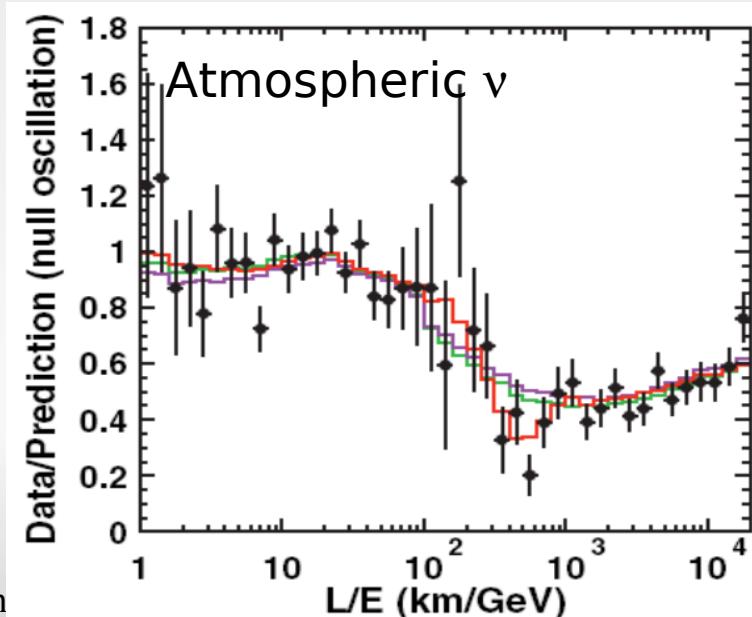
2 mass-squared differences $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$

measured with ν -oscillations:

flavor transitions during propagation

$$P_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{1.27 \Delta m^2 L}{E_\nu} \right)$$

In the 2-flavour approximation
(L [Km], E_ν [GeV])



Neutrino mixing matrix

Why is lepton mixing so “weird” ?

quarks

$$V_{CKM} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.2 & 0.001 \\ 0.2 & 1 & 0.01 \\ 0.001 & 0.01 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

~(roughly) diagonal

neutrinos

$$V_{MNS} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 & 0.7 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Anarchy ?

The most recent step forward is the θ_{13} measurement (2012). Could have been the "mission impossible" ... and now it is the best known angle.

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$

- {
- < 0.15 – before 2012 – CHOOZ limit (90% CL)
 - 0.11 (0.14) – best fit of T2K in 2011 (2.5 σ)
 - 0.092 \pm 0.017 – Daya Bay, 2012 (5.2 σ)

Paves the way to future CP violation measurements →

Neutrino physics: LCPV

CP violation ~
 $\delta \neq 0$ and $\delta \neq \pi$

Is CP violated in ν oscillations ?

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e} - \mathcal{P}_{\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e}}{\mathcal{P}_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e} + \mathcal{P}_{\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e}} \simeq \frac{\Delta m_{12}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \cdot \frac{\sin 2\theta_{12}}{\sin \theta_{13}} \cdot \sin \delta_{CP} - \frac{V_C L}{E_\nu} \frac{\cos \left(\frac{\Delta m_{23}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)}{\sin \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)}$$

Room for much larger CP violating effects than in the quark sector

$$J_{CKM} = 3.05 \times 10^{-5}$$

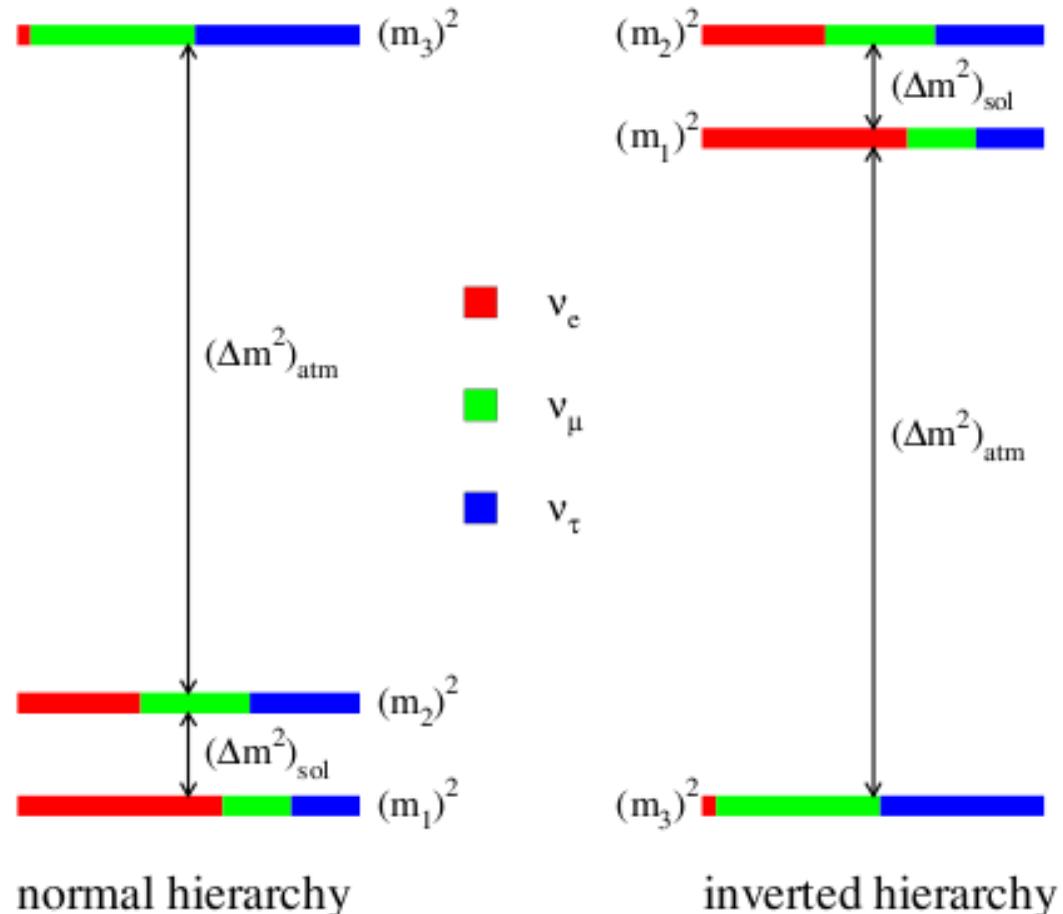
$$J_{PMNS} = O(1) \times \sin \delta_{CP}$$

J = Jarlskog invariant: proportional to the area of the unitary triangle

CPV with “light” neutrinos would (indirectly) favor
→ **leptogenesis** an explanation of **matter-antimatter asymmetry (BAU)**

This is the measurement on which the effort of the community in the next decades is focusing

Neutrinos: more questions



Is ν_3 mostly ν_μ or ν_τ ?
(i.e is θ_{23} exactly $\pi/4$?). If Y why ?

Which is the mass ordering?
(normal/inverted hierarchy)

The “standard” 3 flavors theory is
(nearly) crystal-clear. But ...
... is it just enough ?

Are there light “sterile” states ?
surprises ?

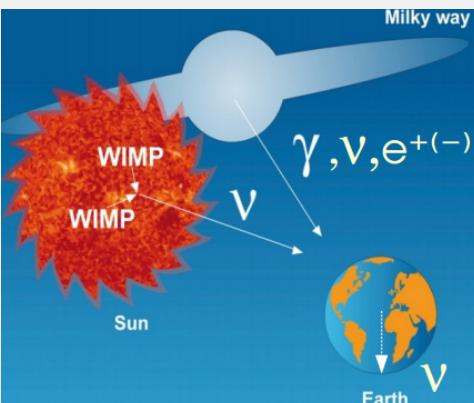
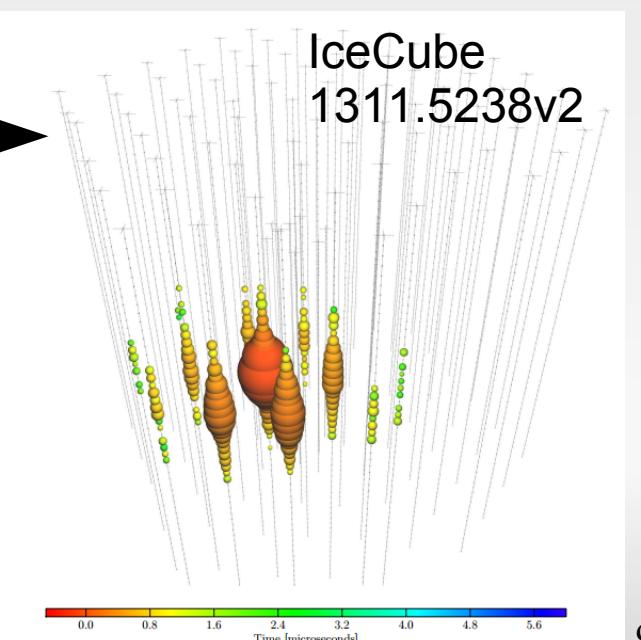
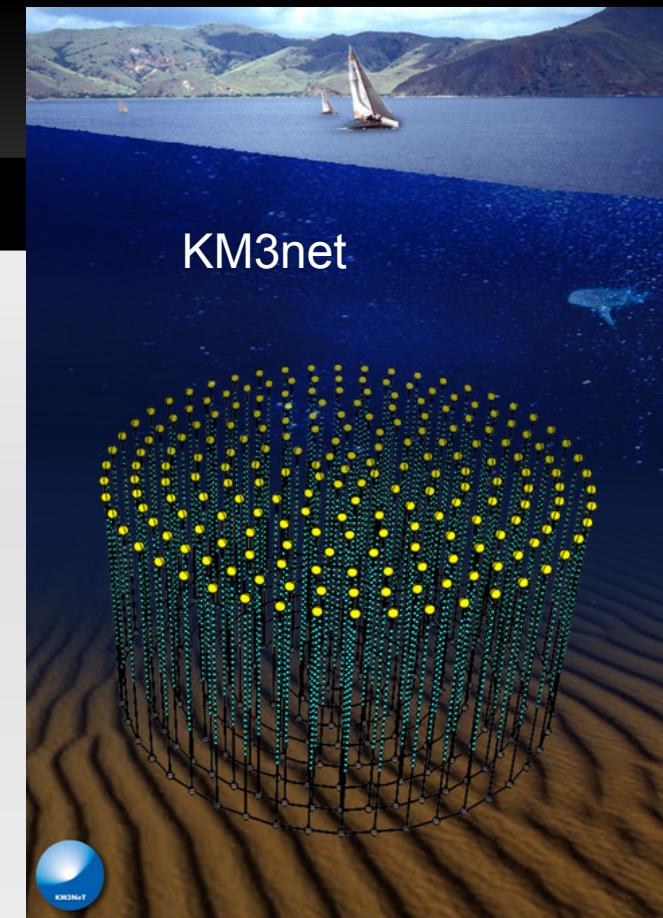
Refer to the talk by A. Paoloni
(tomorrow)

Looking at the sky: information from/about vs

FROM

Neutrino-astronomy ?
(``multi-messenger'')

- Low cross-section → **transparent universe** event at the highest energies
- no e.m. interaction → no deflection in galactic B fields → **point to sources!**
- "No-lose-theorem": if the acceleration mechanism is "**hadronic**", besides γ (from π^0) **neutrinos also expected** (i.e. from charged π decays)
- First evidence from IceCube! (see later)

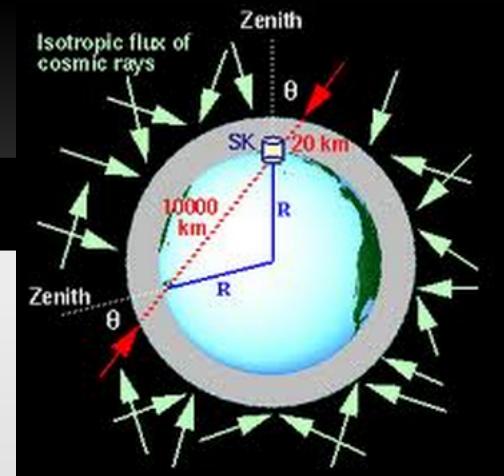


**Direct Dark-matter
searches from
annihilations into ν**

Looking at the sky: information from/about neutrinos

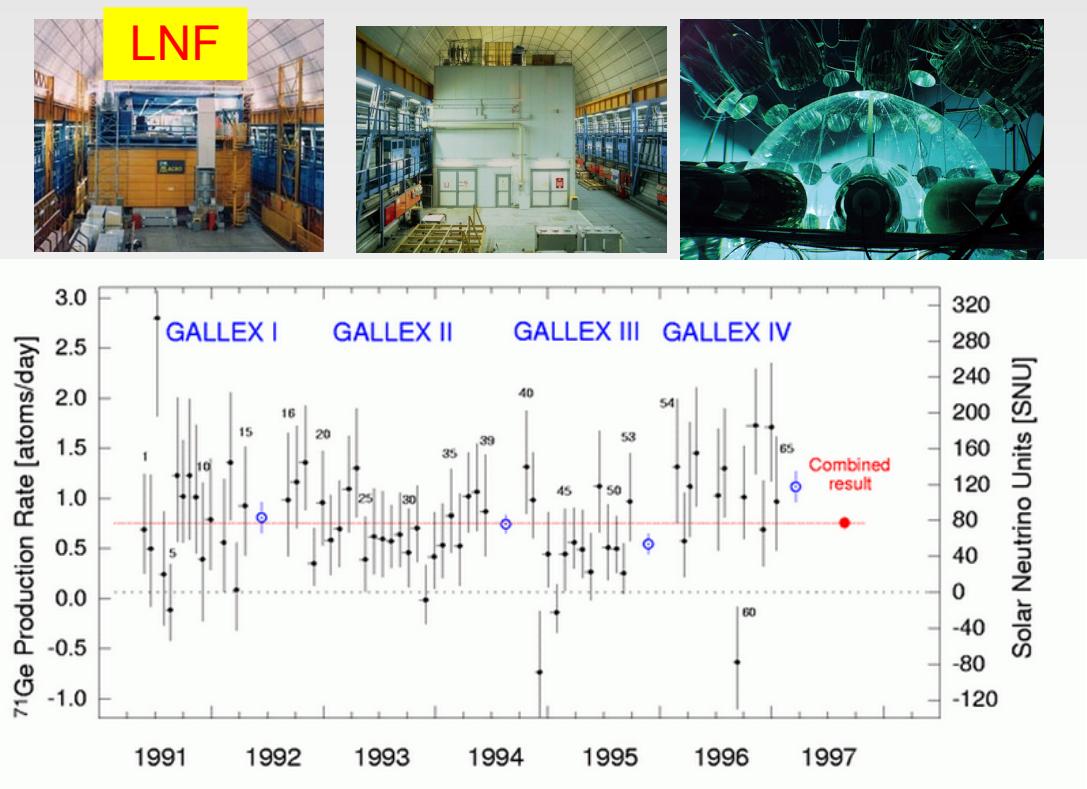
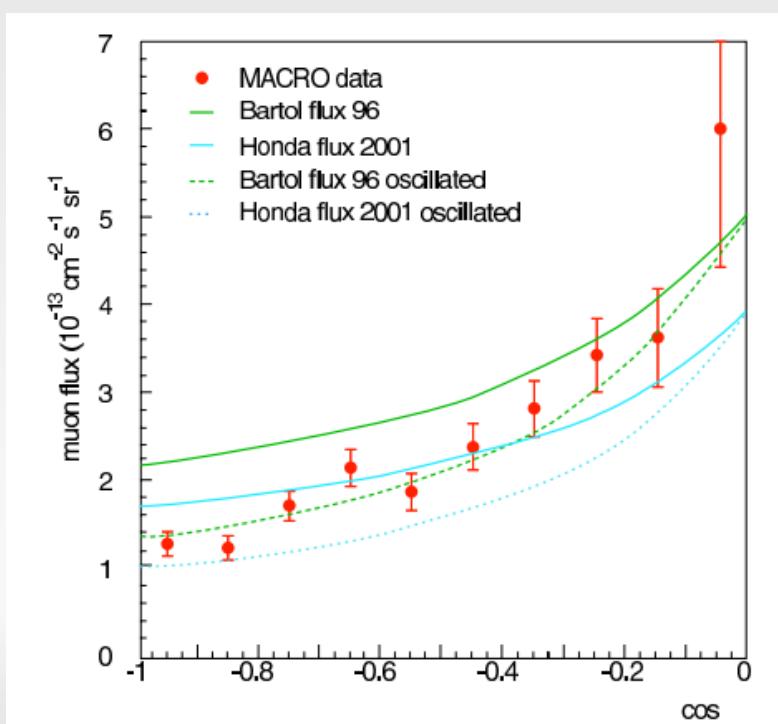
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Solar + atmospheric neutrinos



This is a piece of the history of physics: discovery of neutrino oscillations, we learned that neutrinos are massive and not degenerate!

Key contributions of INFN with (MACRO, Gallex-GNO, Borexino) at Gran Sasso

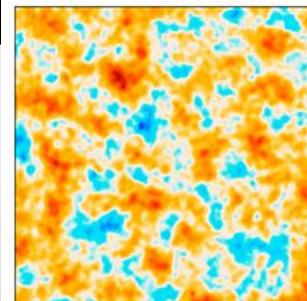


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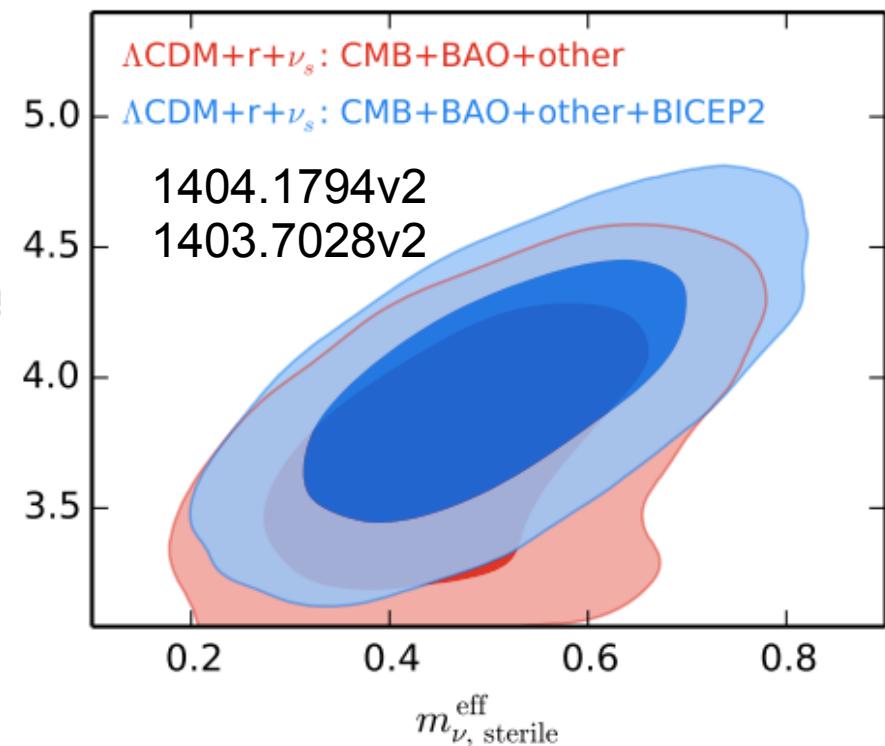
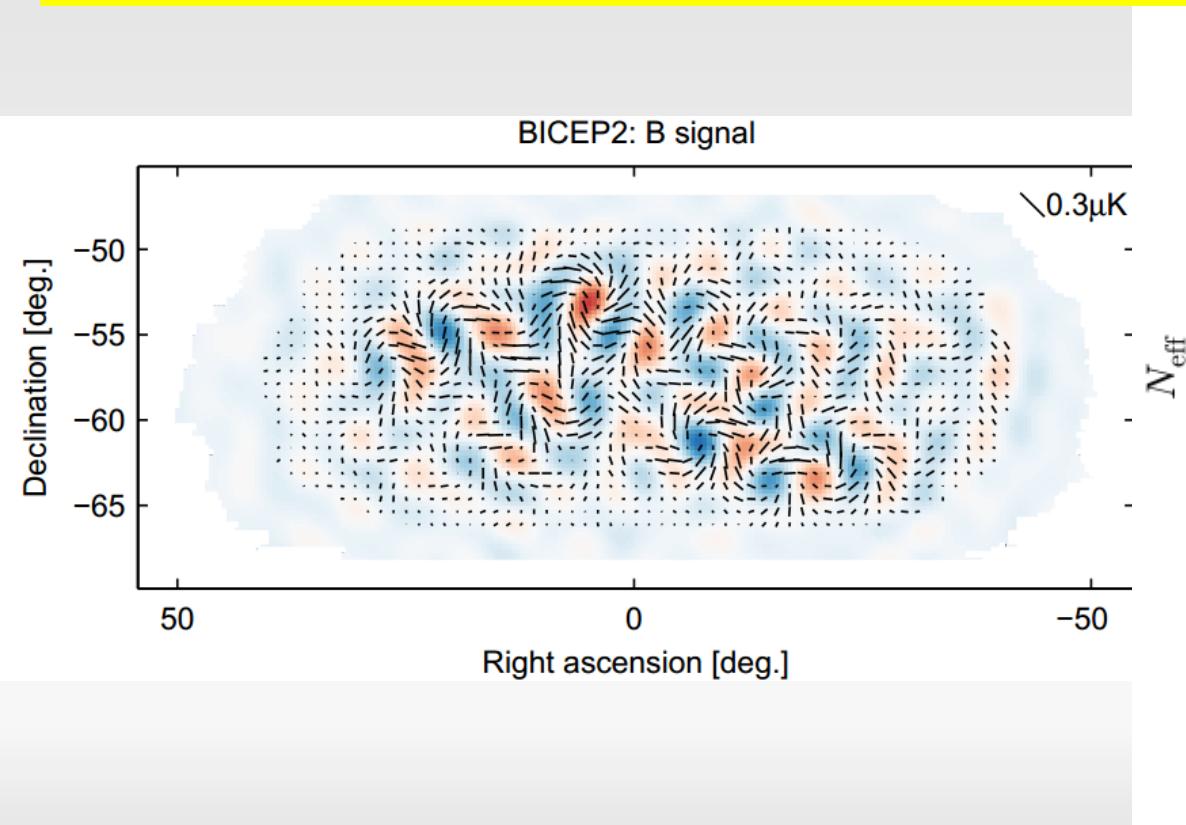


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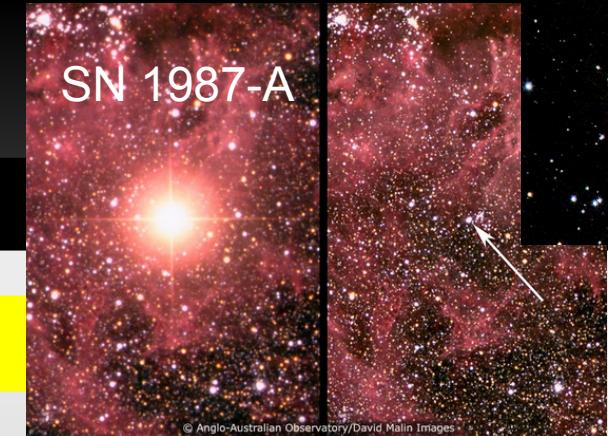
Observational cosmology (CMB, LSS, ...) is providing more and more stringent measurements on the sum of the masses of neutrinos and the possible existence of extra-states not coupling to Z and W bosons ('`sterile" neutrinos)



Planck

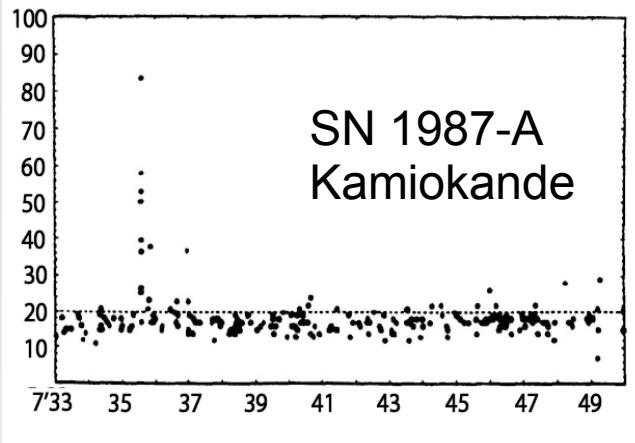


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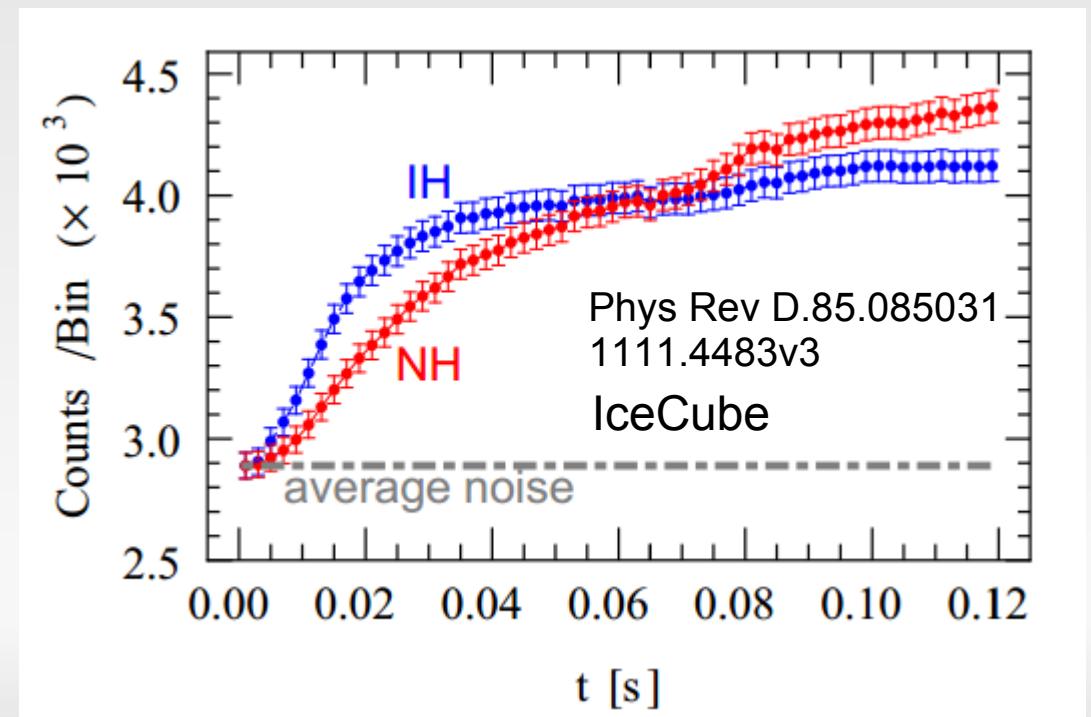
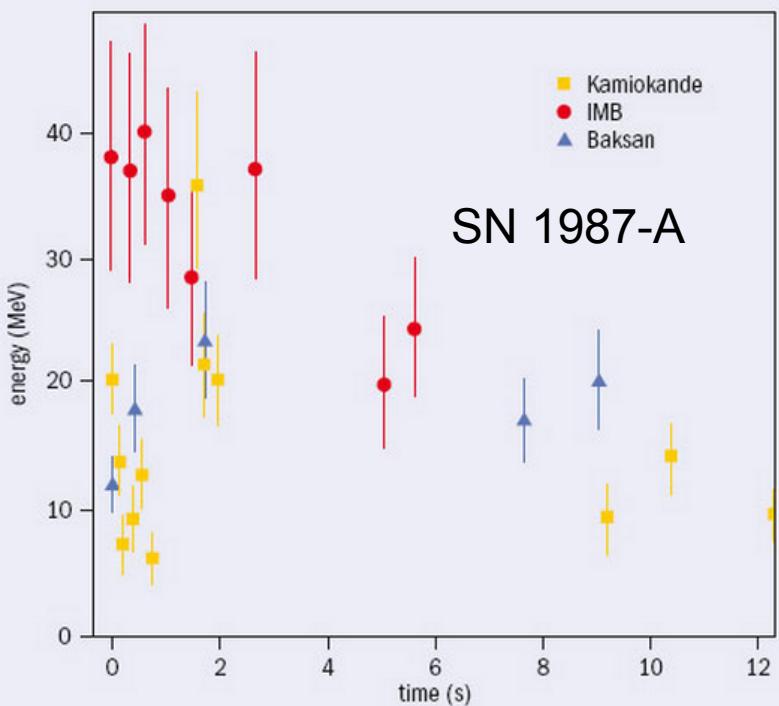


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SuperNova core collapse neutrinos



With new large detectors (IceCube, SuperKamiokande, LVD) and high statistics one could get insight on Supernova physics and the mass hierarchy



Neutrino activities within INFN

Blue = LNF involvement

artificial
natural

Sources	Physics	Experiments
Artificial beams from p accelerators	ν mixing, oscillations, sterile states ?	OPERA , ICARUS , T2K , NESSiE
Nuclear reactors	ν mixing, oscillations, mass hierarchy	JUNO
β decay	Absolute ν masses	MARE, HOLMES
Special isotopes (ν -less double β decay)	Particle physics (Dirac or Majorana nature ?)	CUORE , GERDA
Atmospheric ν	ν mixing, oscillations	MACRO
Solar ν	ν mixing, oscillations	GALLEX-GNO , Borexino
Dark matter annihilation ?	Dark matter searches	KM3net , IceCube
Supernova neutrinos	Astrophysics, mass hierarchy	LVD , IceCube , KM3net
Astrophysical sources ?	ν astronomy!	KM3net , IceCube
/	ν masses sum, sterile states	ICARUS-NESSiE

Detection techniques

The wide range of energies and the experimental goals produces a broad zoology:

- TeO₂ bolometers (CUORE)
- Germanium crystals (GERDA)
- Low-radioactivity cryogenic environments (CUORE, GERDA)
- Transition Edge Sensors (MARE, HOLMES)
- Liquid scintillators (pseudo-cumene, BOREXINO, JUNO)
- Liquid Argon time-projection-chambers (ICARUS)
- Photo-multipliers in liquids (KM3net, BOREXINO)
- Nuclear emulsions (OPERA)
- Resistive plate chamber detectors
- Plastic scintillator trackers (OPERA, T2K)
- Gaseous time-projection chambers with MicroMegas readout (T2K)

A wide effort: detectors, mechanics, cryogenics, electronics
DAQ, software development

Neutrinos from SuperNova: LVD

Large Volume Detector

Detection of neutrino bursts from gravitational collapses inside our Galaxy or in Magellanic Clouds.

Liquid scintillator tanks (1 kt).

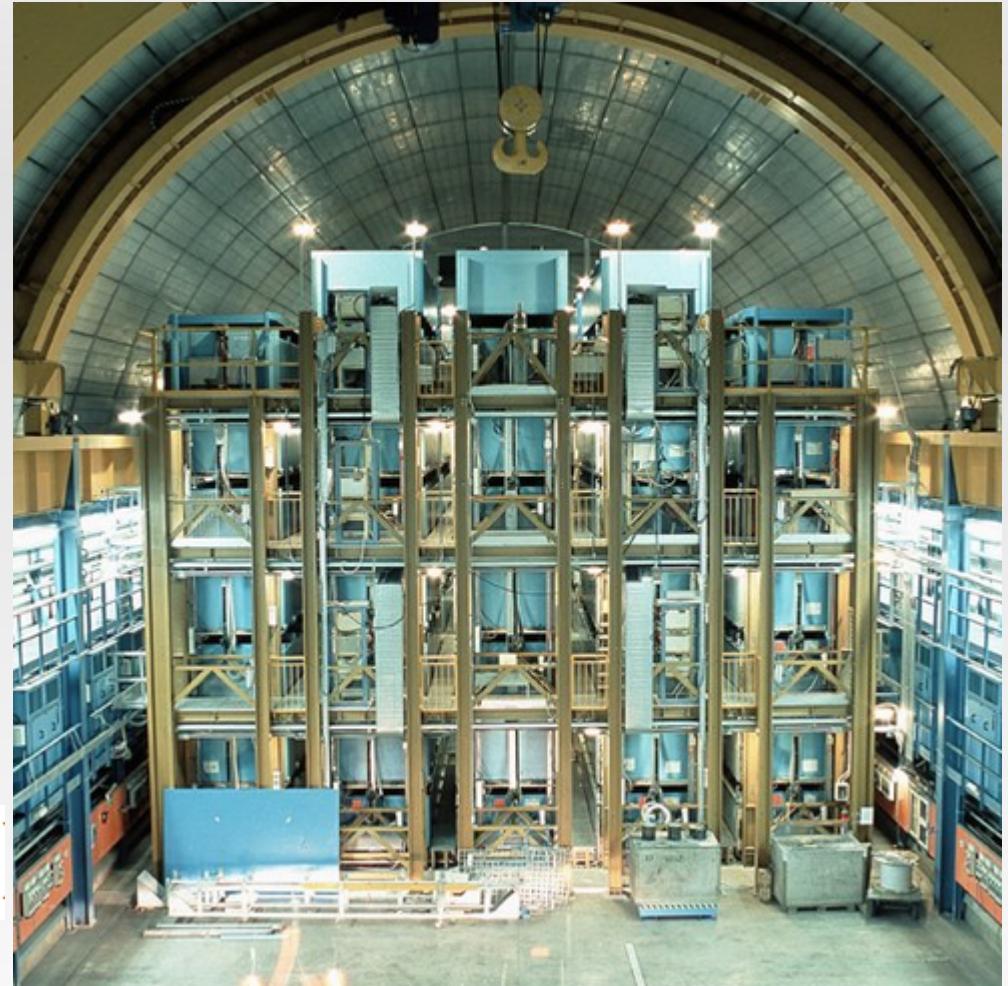
Active since 1992.

SNEWS (SuperNova Early Warning System)

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

$$E_{\text{vis}} \simeq E_{\bar{\nu}_e} - 1.8 \text{ MeV} + 2 m_e c^2$$

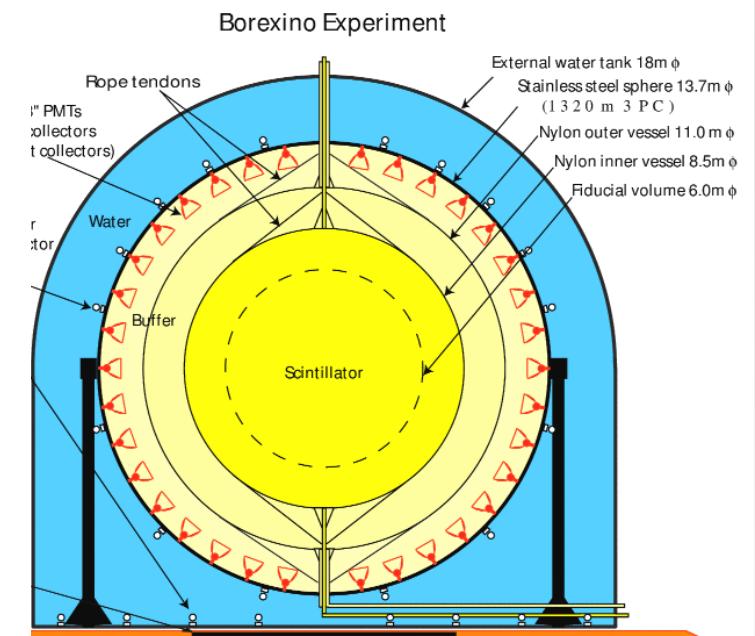
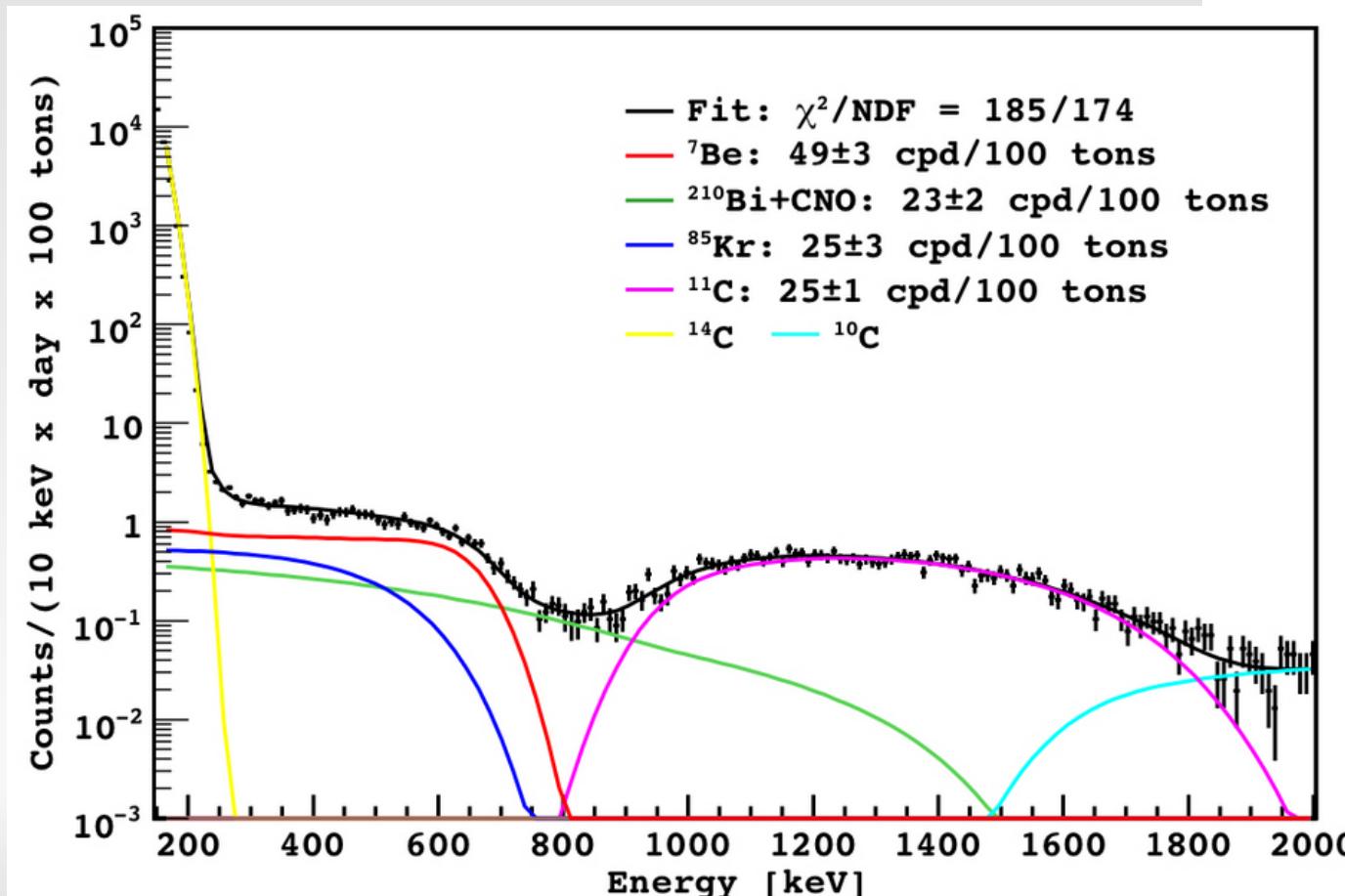
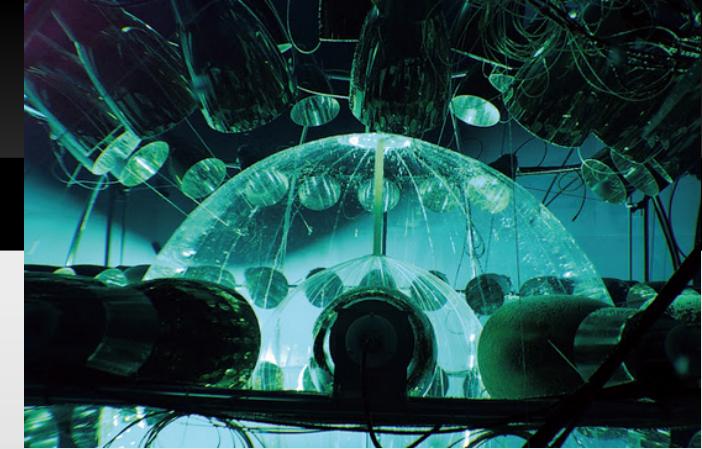
$$E_\gamma = 2.2 \text{ MeV} \simeq 185 \mu\text{s}$$



LNF involvement in the past

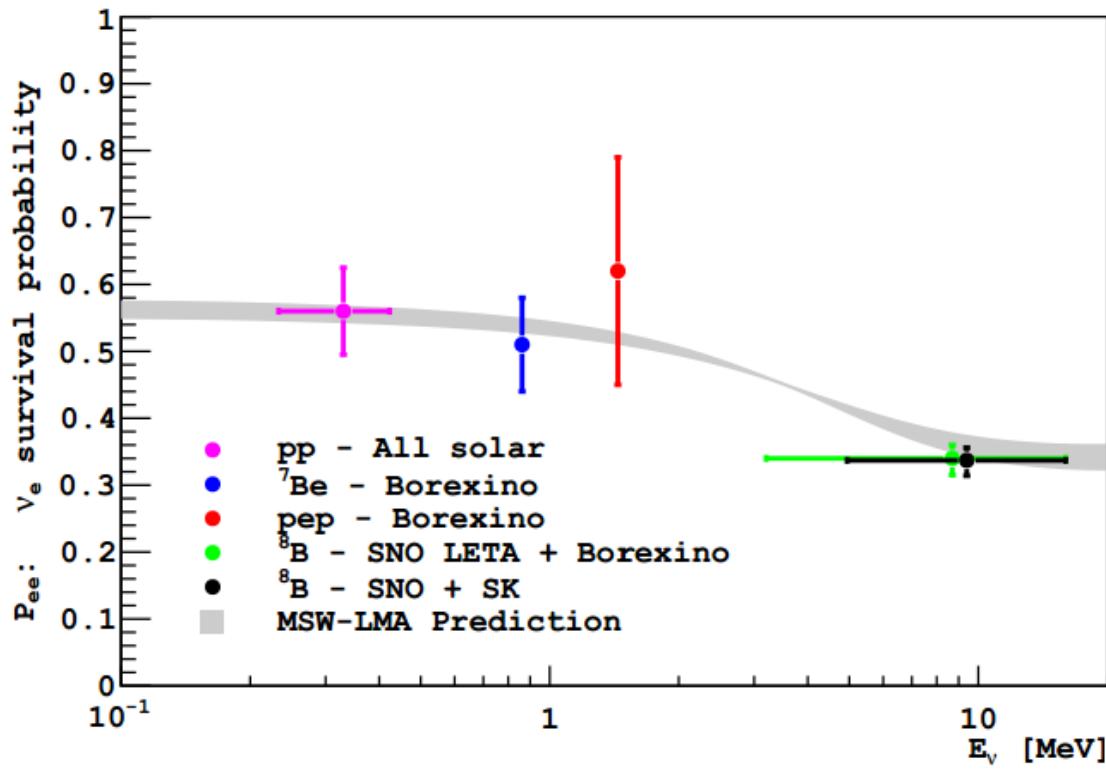
Solar neutrinos: Borexino

Liquid scintillator (pseudo-cumene, 300 t) detector at Gran Sasso. Exceptional radiopurity levels reached
Measures the 0.862 MeV ${}^7\text{Be}$ line of solar neutrinos
In real-time using interactions on electrons

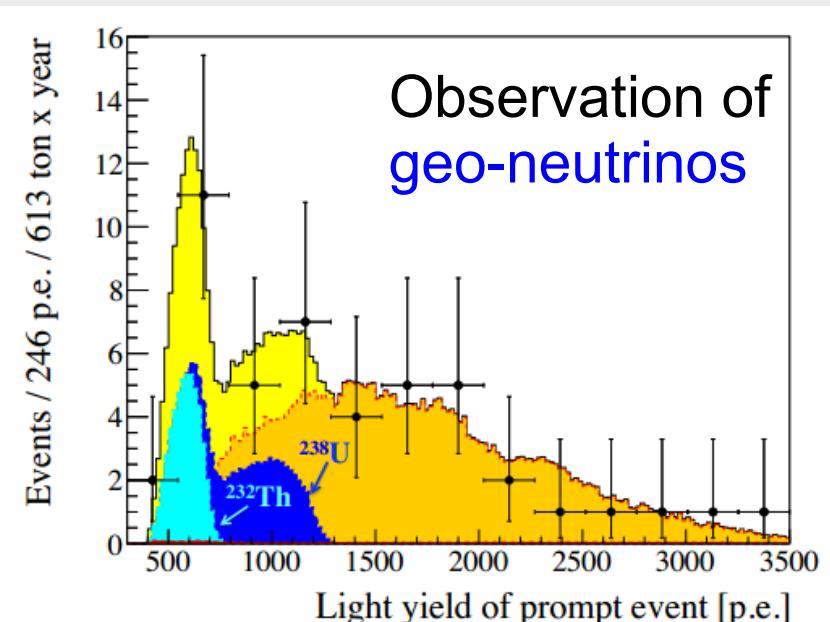
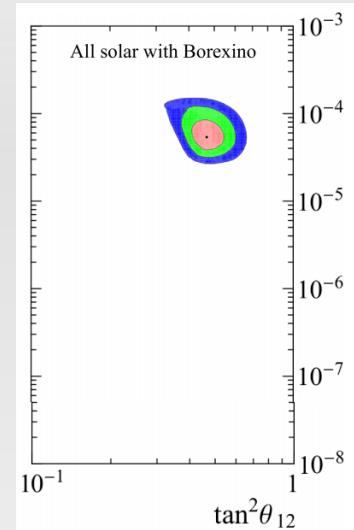


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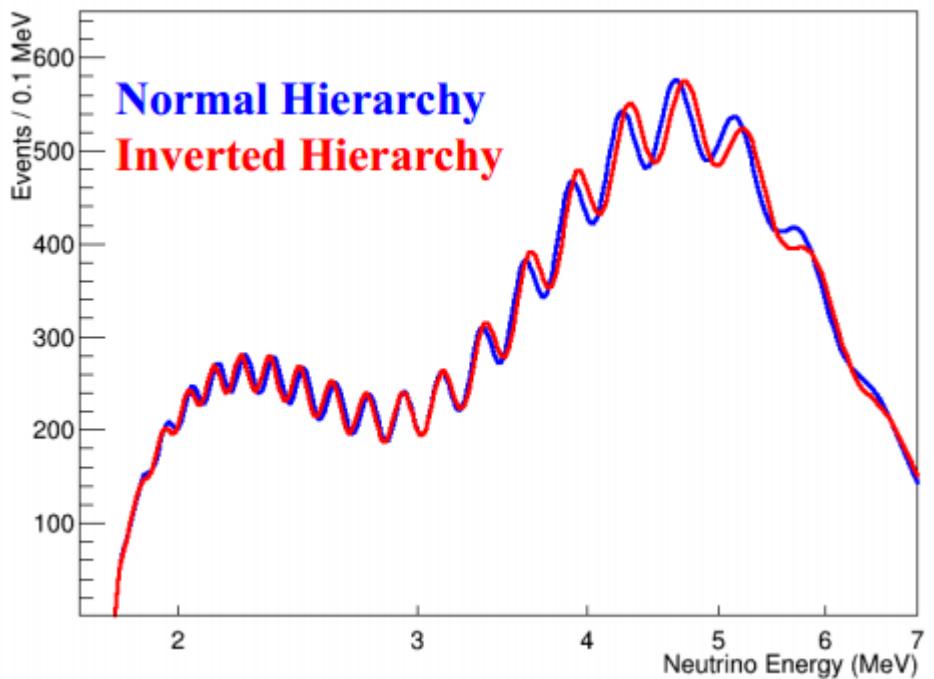
Confirms and deeply tests **MSW-LMA** as a solution for the **solar neutrino oscillations**



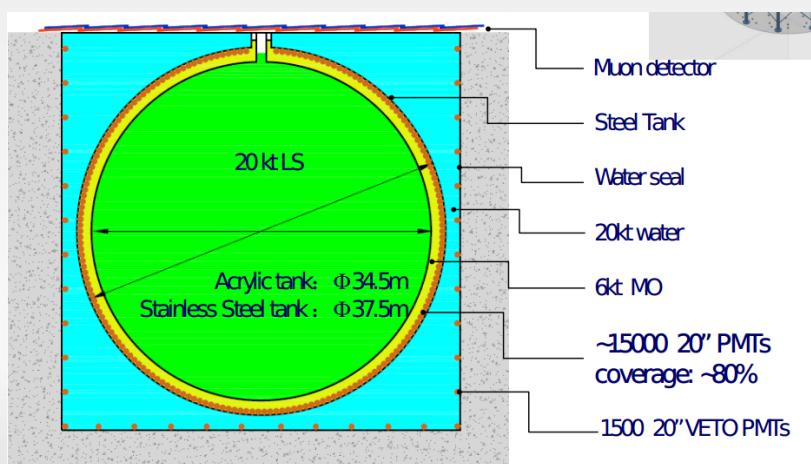
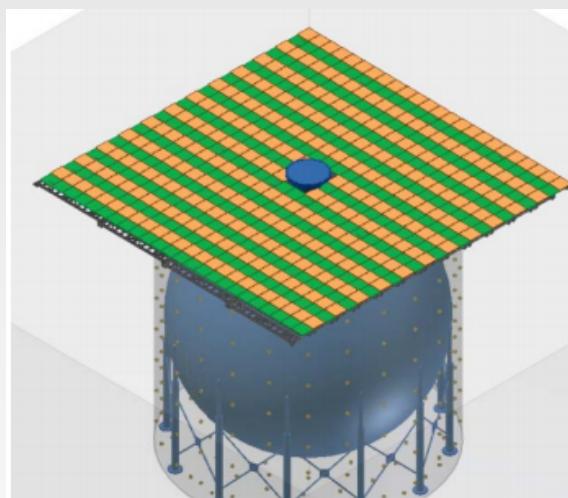
Inputs for the standard solar model:
metallicity issue



JUNO (Jangmen neutrino observatory)



Liquid Scintillator detector (20 kt)
 53 km from two powerful power-plants
 → Mass hierarchy at $3-4 \sigma$ in 6 y
 → Precision meas. of the mixing matrix
 → SuperNova neutrinos
 Construction will start in next years



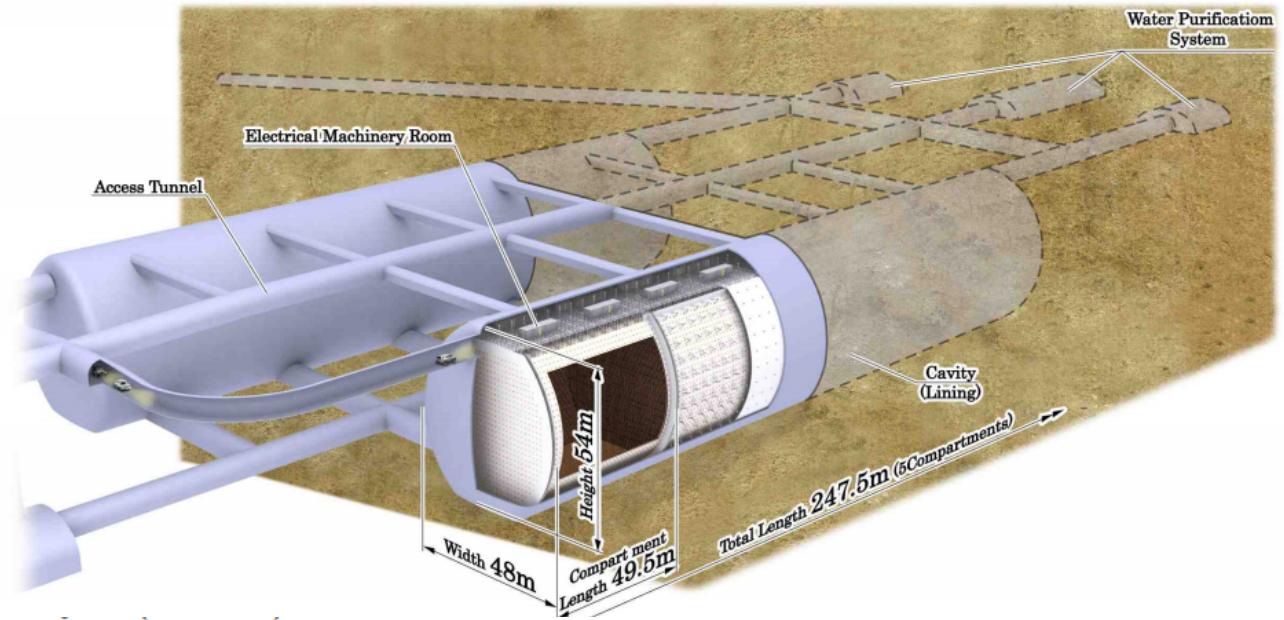
	Borexino	Daya Bay II
LS mass	~0.3 kt	20 kt
Energy Resolution	5%/ \sqrt{E}	3%/ \sqrt{E}
Light yield	500 p.e./MeV	~1300-1400 p.e./MeV

Hyper-Kamiokande

Water-Cherenkov detector 560 kt
foreseen in Japan

Main goal: leptonic CP violation
($\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ over L=295 km)

Astrophysics reach:



Solar neutrinos

– ${}^8\text{B}$ ν from Sun	200 ν 's / day	7.0 MeV threshold (total energy) w/ osc.
– ${}^8\text{B}$ ν day/night accuracy	< 1%	5 years, only stat. w/ SK-I BG $\times 20$

Astrophysical objects

– Supernova burst ν	170,000~260,000 ν 's	@ Galactic center (10 kpc)
	30~50 ν 's	@ M31 (Andromeda galaxy)
– Supernova relic ν	830 ν 's / 10 years	
– WIMP annihilation at Sun	$\sigma_{SD} = 10^{-39}\text{cm}^2$	5 years observation
	$\sigma_{SD} = 10^{-40}\text{cm}^2$	@ $M_{\text{WIMP}} = 10 \text{ GeV}$, $\chi\chi \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ dominant
		@ $M_{\text{WIMP}} = 100 \text{ GeV}$, $\chi\chi \rightarrow W^+W^-$ dominant

Neutrino astronomy: IceCube

Evidence for High-Energy Extraterrestrial Neutrinos at the IceCube Detector

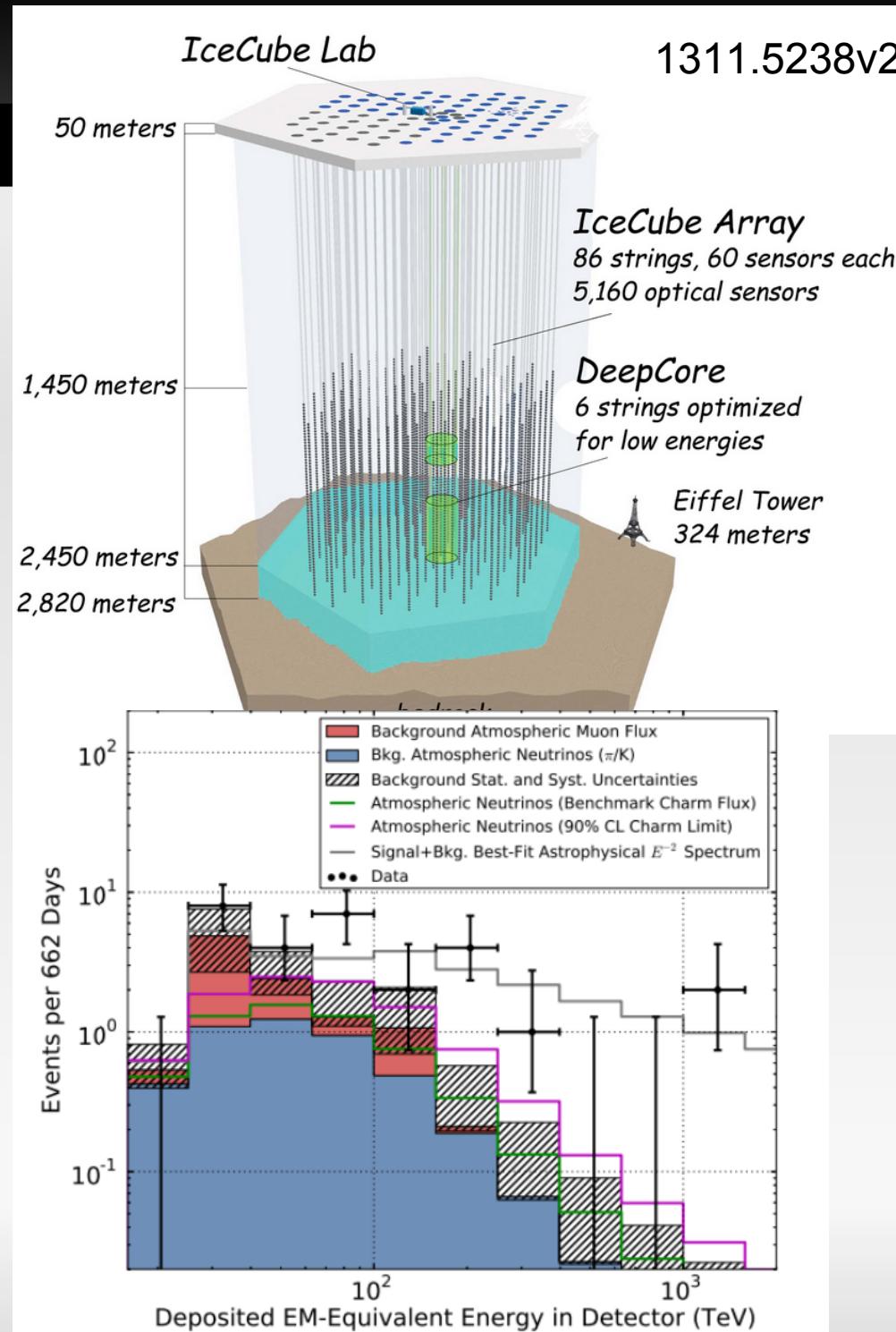
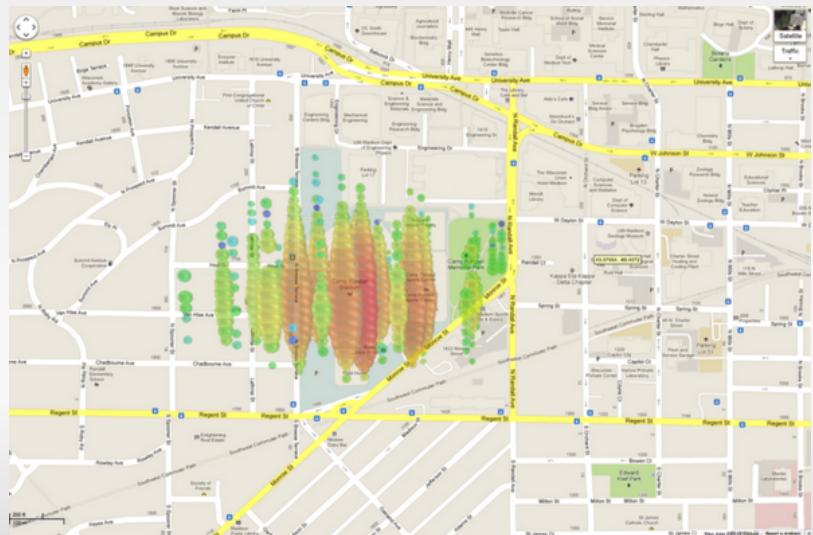
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Observed 28 events (2010-2012). 4 down-going. Background: $10.5^{+5.0}_{-3.6}$.

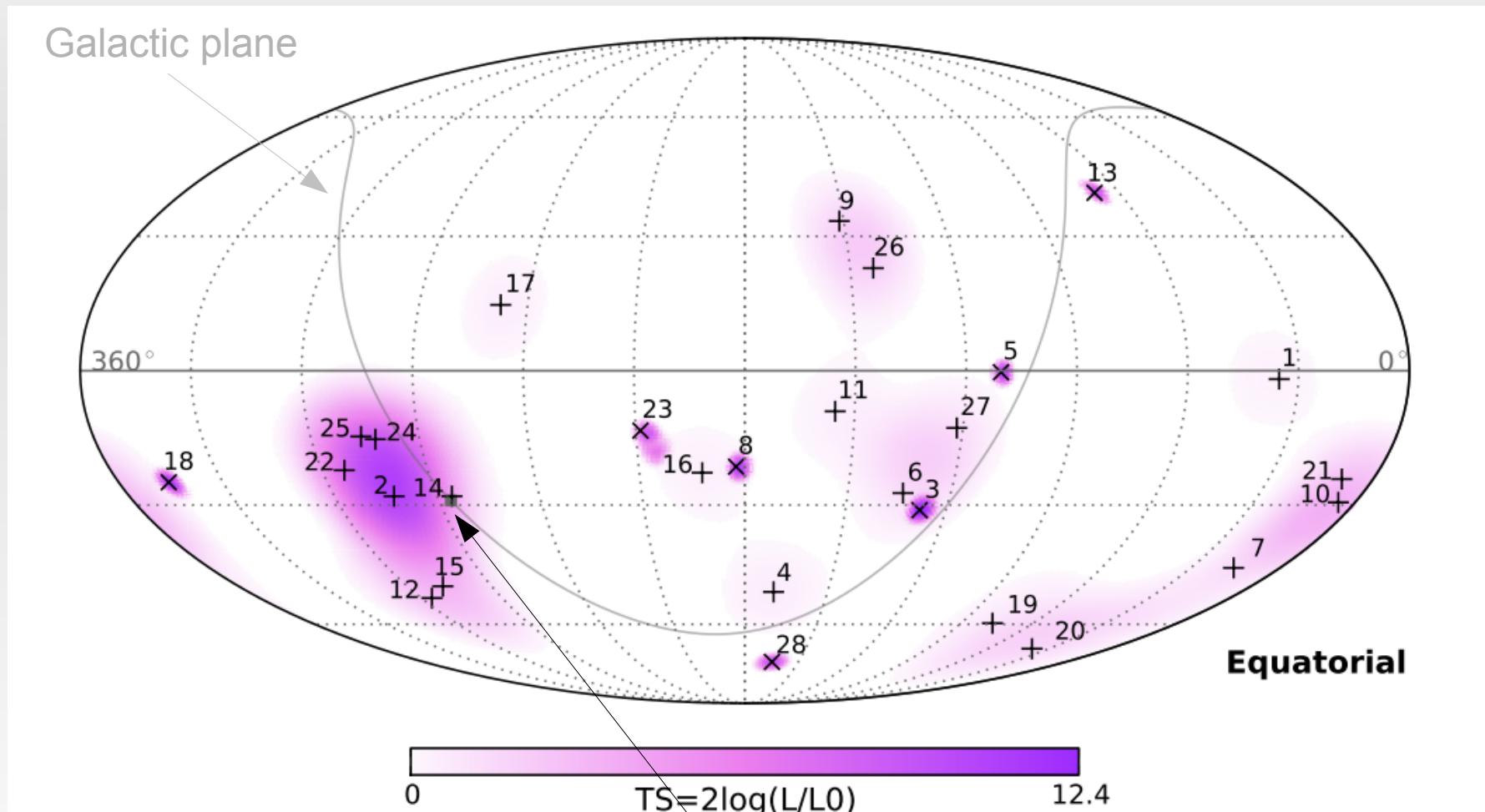
Explanation with atmospheric ν only excluded at $\sim 4 \sigma$. Consistent with generic models (E^{-2}) of extraterrestrial ν .

Energies up to PeV (2 events).

7 track +14 shower-like: consistent w. equal mixture of ν_μ , ν_e and ν_τ .



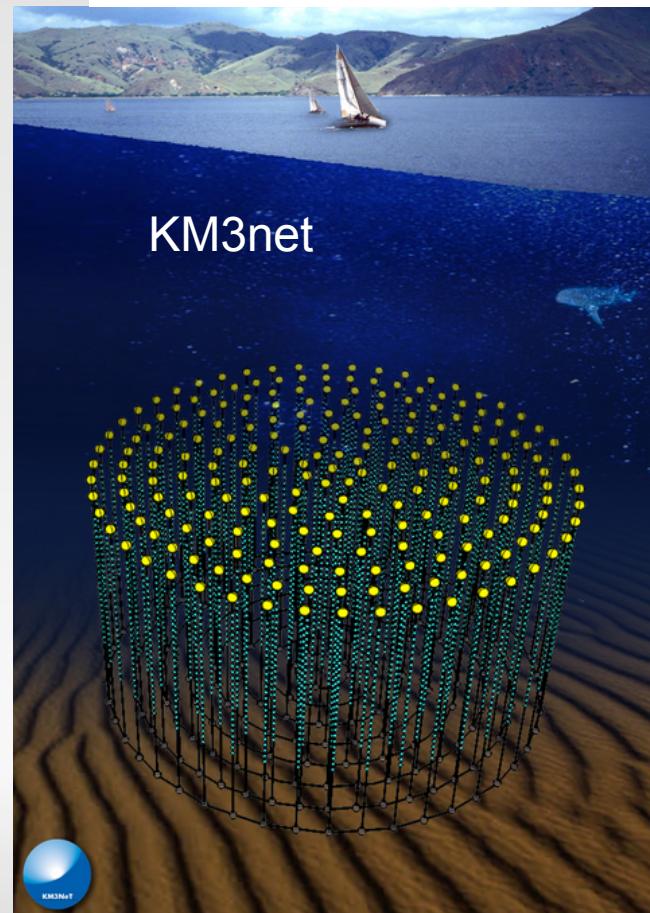
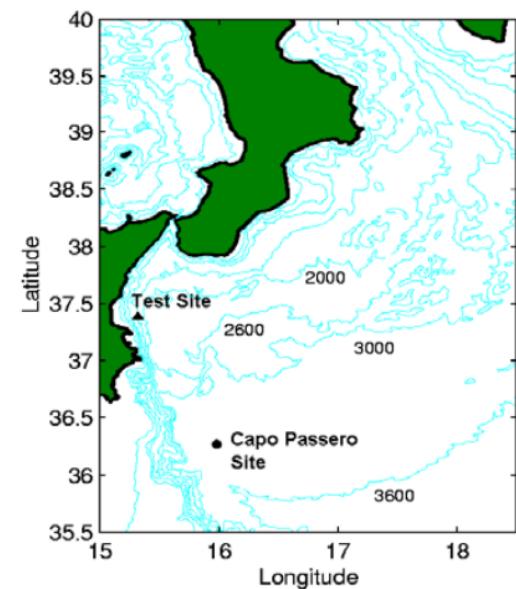
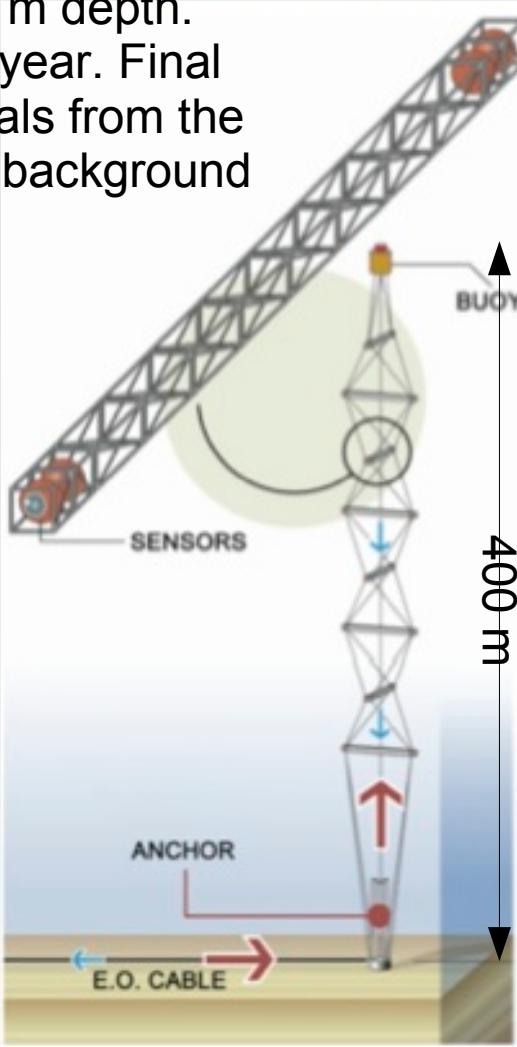
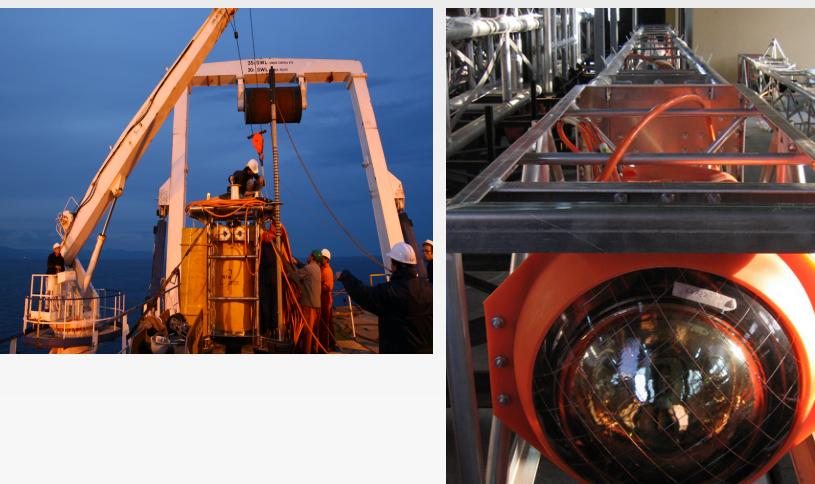
Neutrino astronomy: IceCube



5 shower-like events pointing to the galactic center (including the 2nd highest E) but with low significance (8%).

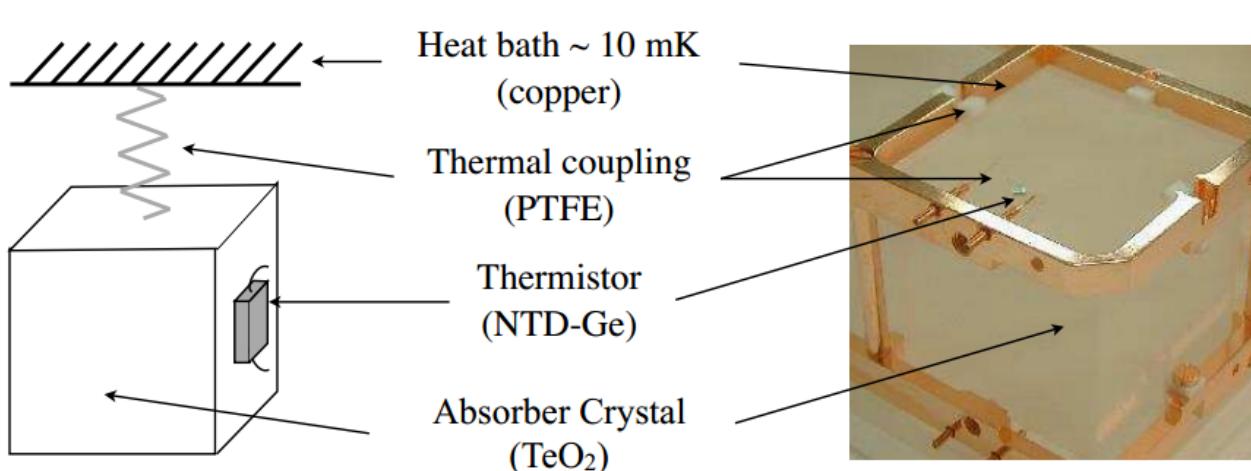
ν astronomy from the N hemisphere: NEMO / KM3net

Capo Passero site 80 km offshore, 3500 m depth.
Installation of "towers" ongoing since ~1 year. Final
goal is to instrument 1 km³ of water. Signals from the
galactic center up-going: no atmospheric background



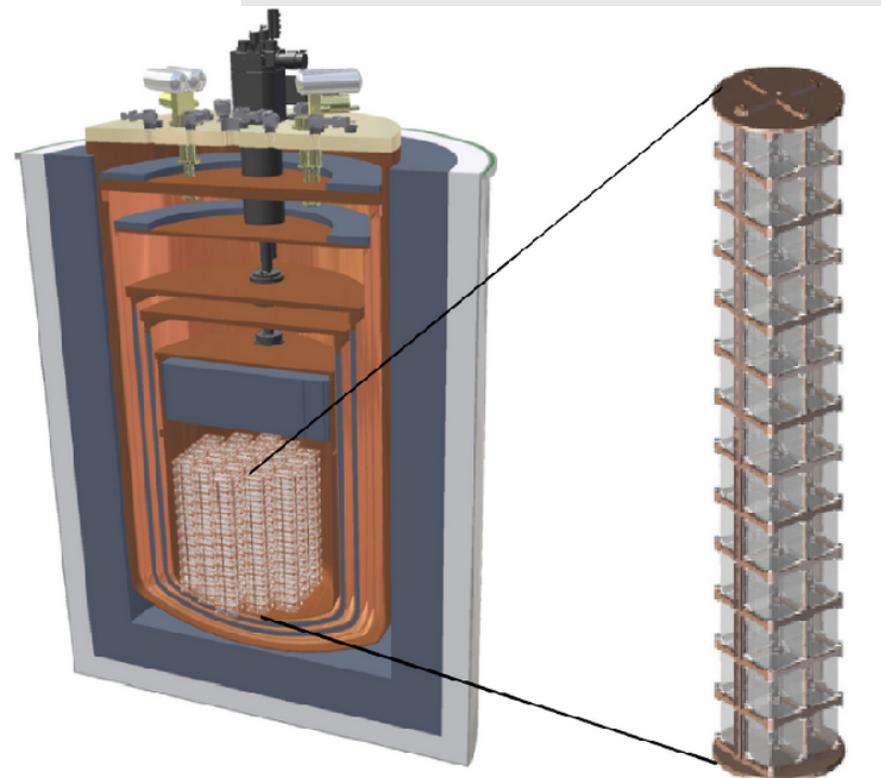
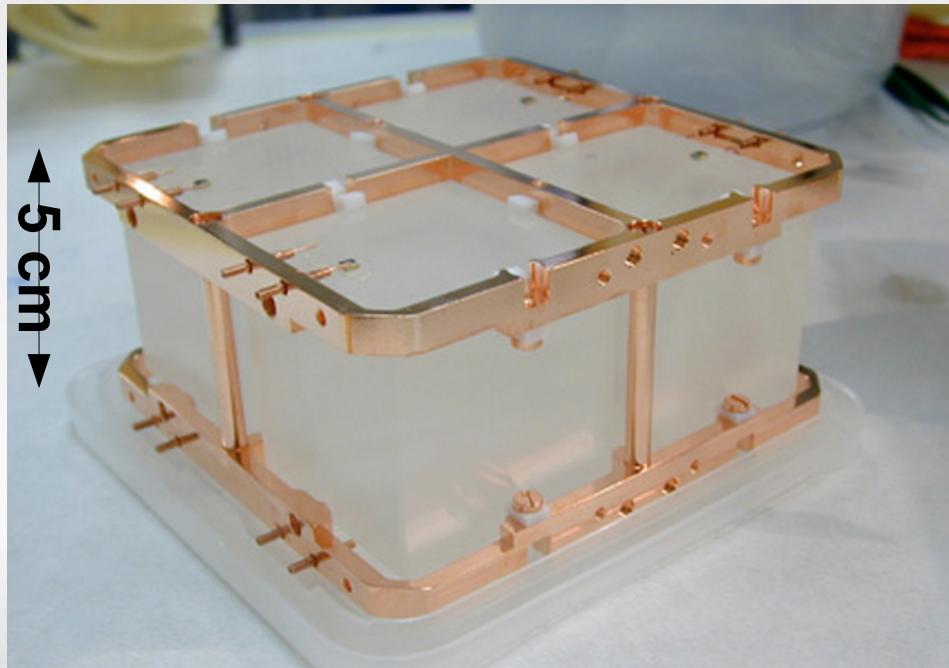
LNF involvement in control system/electronics.
Assembly of future towers will be hosted in the lab.

The CUORE experiment on ^{130}Te $0\nu\beta\beta$



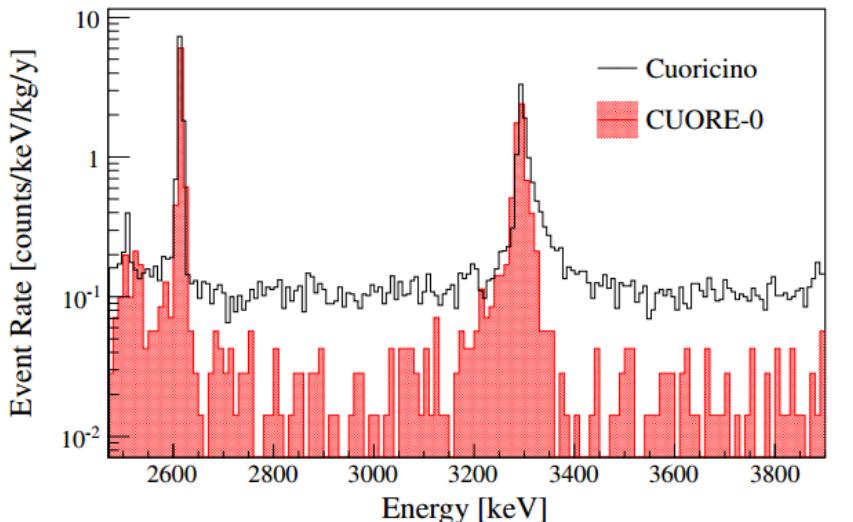
Ionisation of charged particles @1mK: heat capacity gets small enough to give measurable variations of T (\rightarrow variations of resistance). $\Delta T/\Delta E \sim 15 \mu\text{K}/\text{MeV}$

988 TeO_2 bolometers, 19 towers.
Under construction (Gran Sasso)



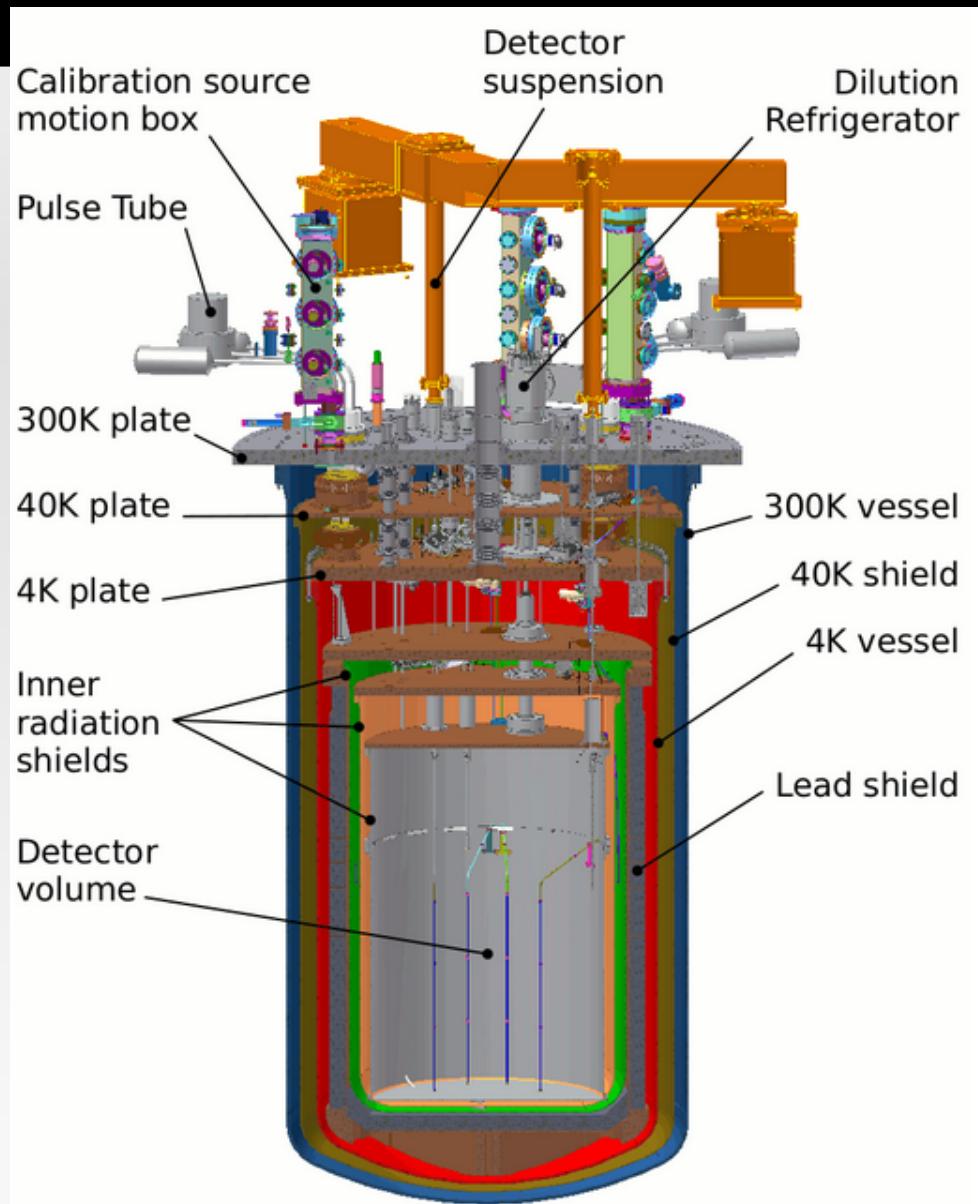
The CUORE experiment on ^{130}Te $0\nu\beta\beta$

Searching for a peak @ 2528 keV



Capable of excluding half-lifetimes
 $> 10^{24}$ years

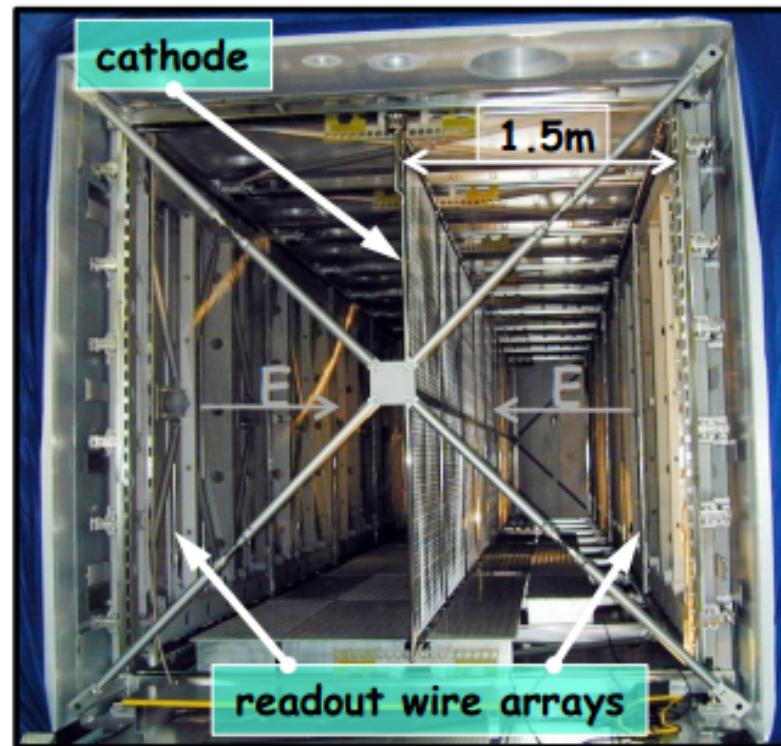
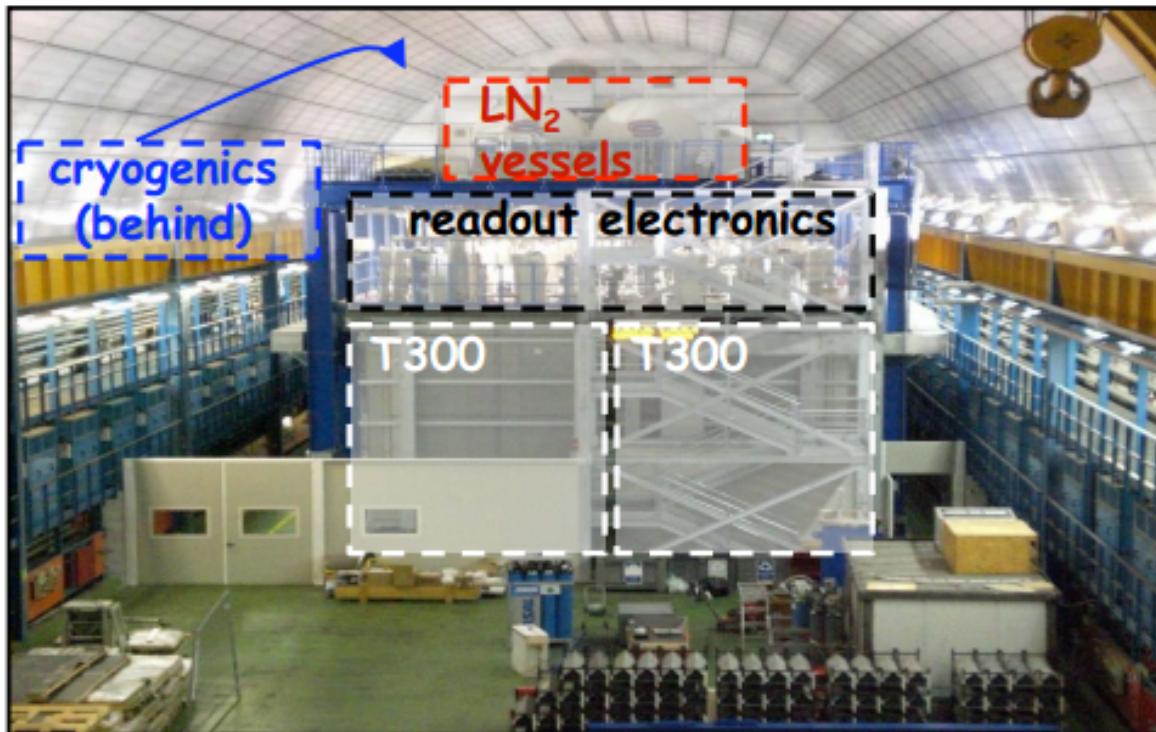
If the hierarchy is inverted and the neutrino is a Majorana particle a potential signals start to be almost "guaranteed"



**LNF involved in mechanics,
cryogenics, technical coordination**

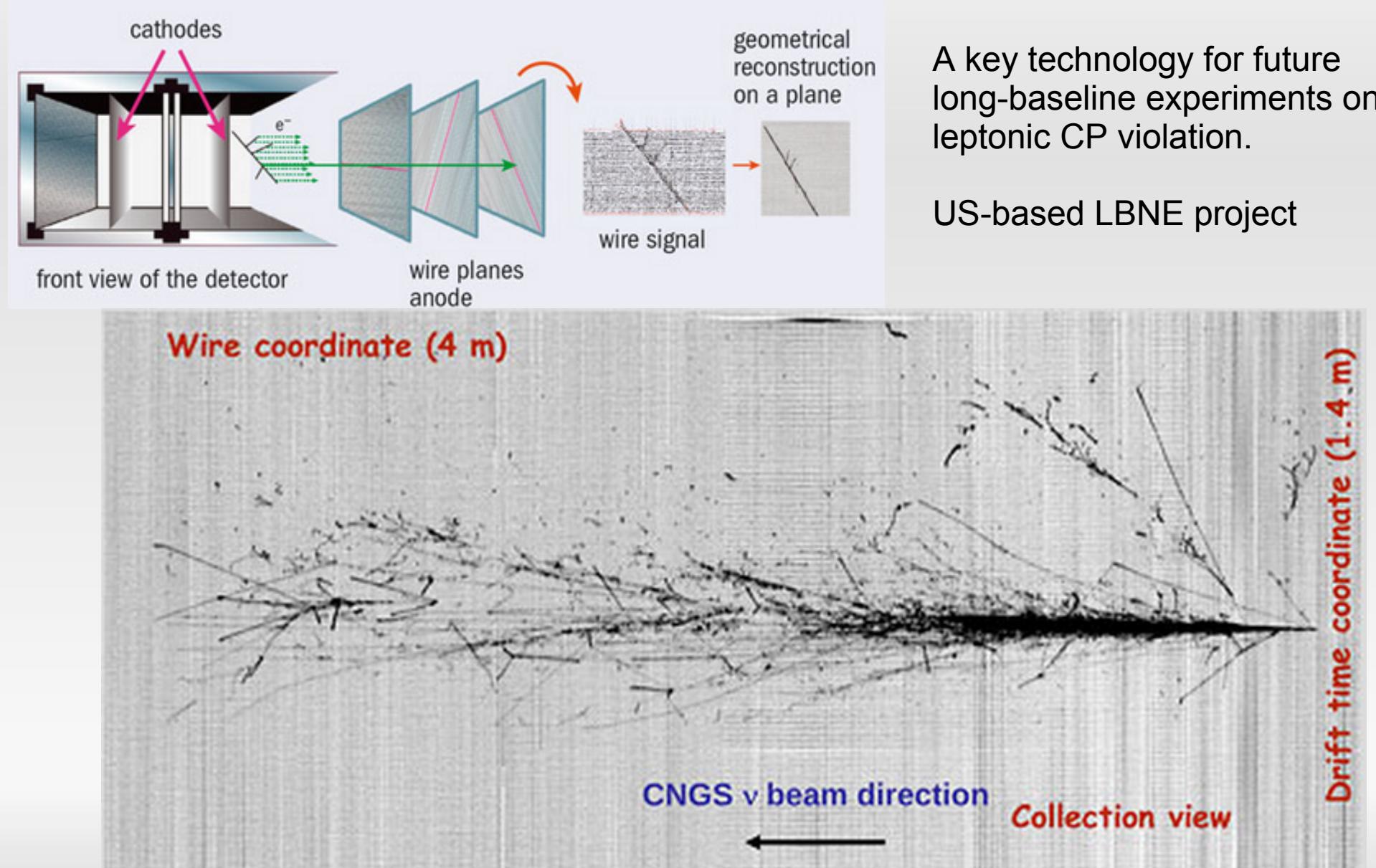
The ICARUS T600 detector

LNF involvement

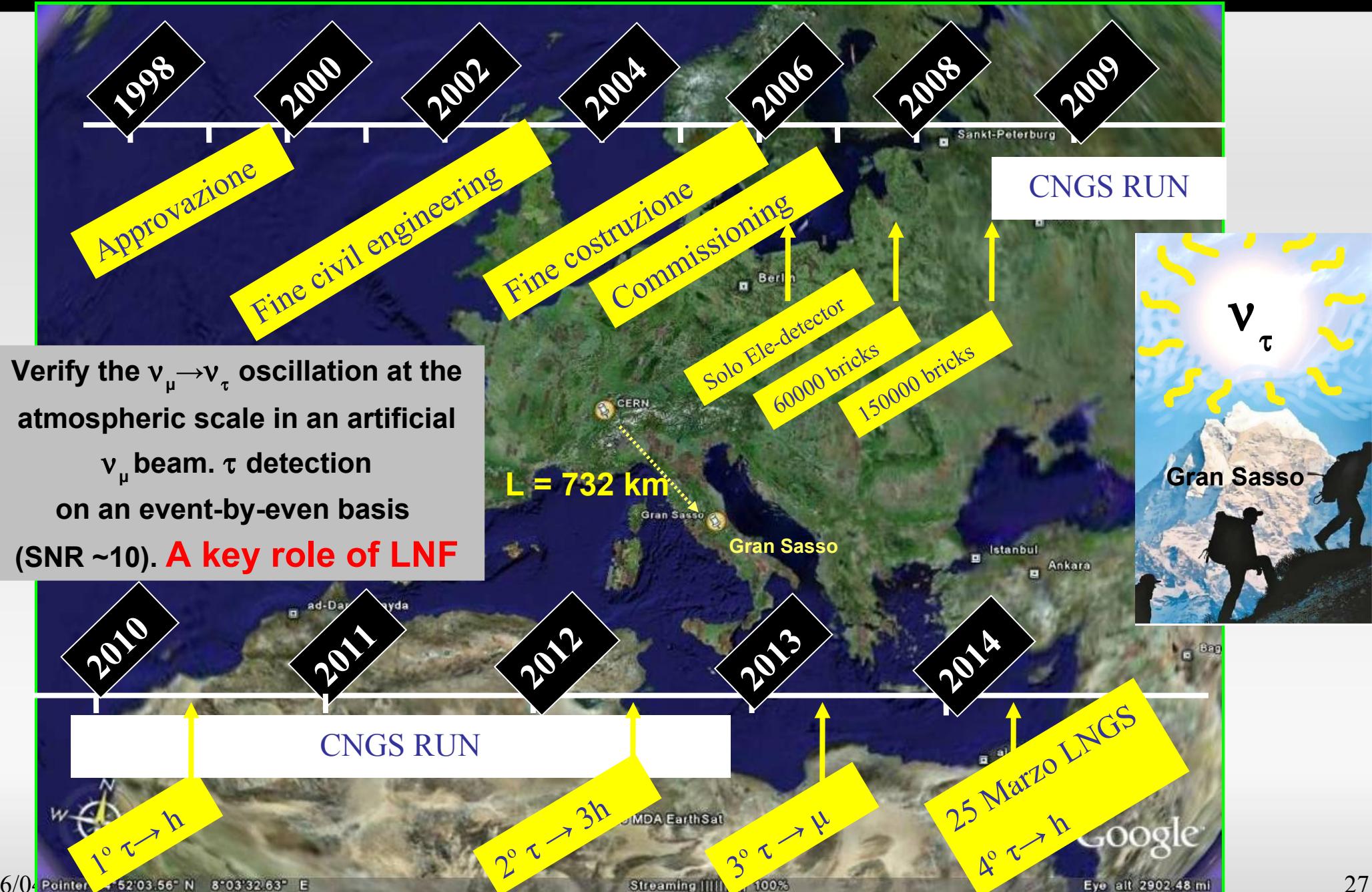


- Two identical modules
 - $3.6 \times 3.9 \times 19.6 \approx 275 \text{ m}^3$ each
 - Liquid Ar active mass: $\approx 476 \text{ t}$
 - Drift length = 1.5 m (1 ms)
 - HV = -75 kV E = 0.5 kV/cm
 - v-drift = 1.55 mm/ μ s
- 4 wire chambers (TPC):
 - 2 chambers per module
 - 3 readout wire planes/chamber, @ $0, \pm 60^\circ$
 - ~54000 wires, 3mm pitch, 3mm plane spacing
- 20+54 PMTs, 8" Ø, for scintillation light:
 - VUV light (128nm) with wave shifter (TPB)

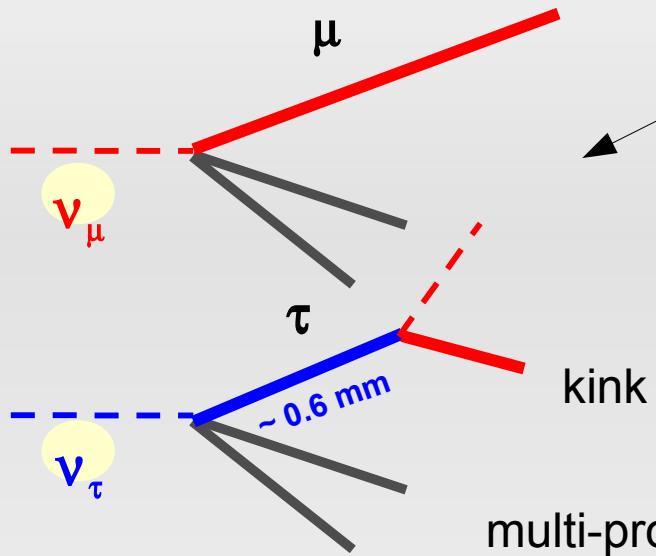
The ICARUS T600 LAr TPC



Direct evidence of $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$: OPERA



The challenge of ν_τ detection

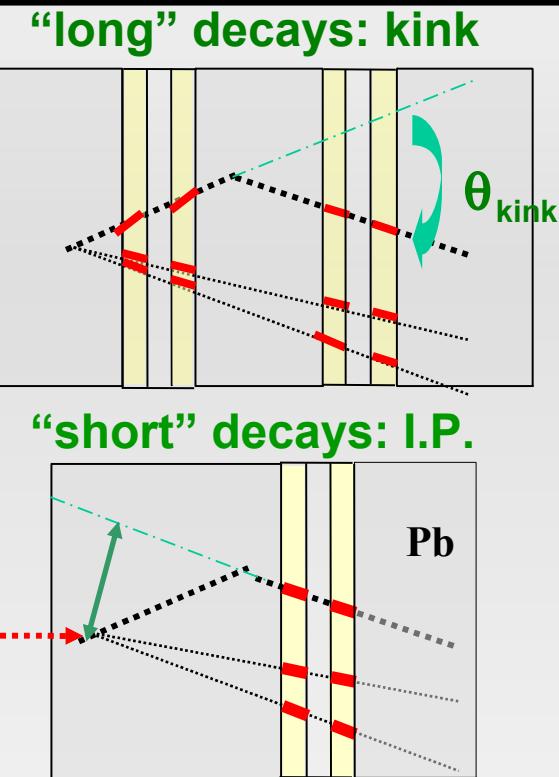
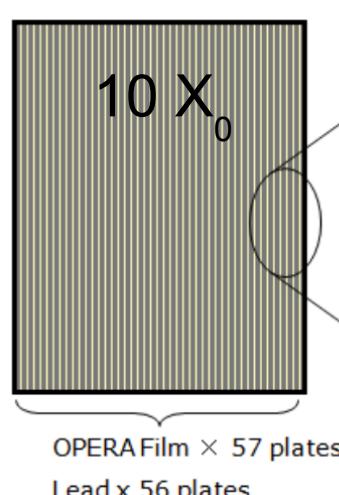
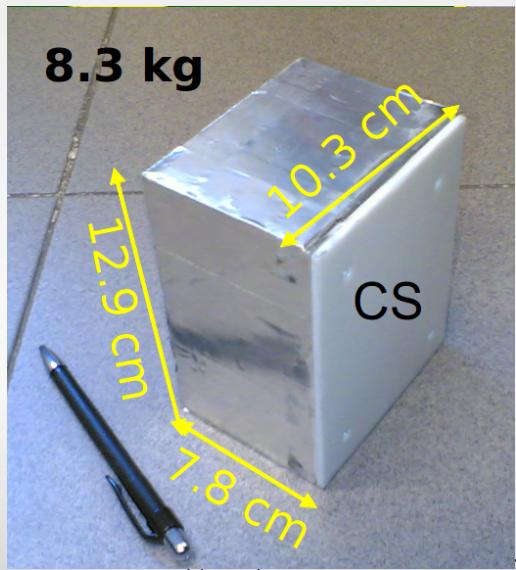


A handful of ν_τ^{CC} in the
 ν_μ^{CC} bulk

kink	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\mu$	17 %
	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_e$	18 %
	$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau n(\pi^0)$	50 %
	$\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau n(\pi^0)$	14 %

Molecular stack of “Emulsion Cloud Chambers”
Reconcile the necessity of

- O(kt) mass
- $N_\tau \propto (\Delta m^2)^2 M_{\text{target}}$
- High granularity
- $\sim \mu\text{m}$



The OPERA detector

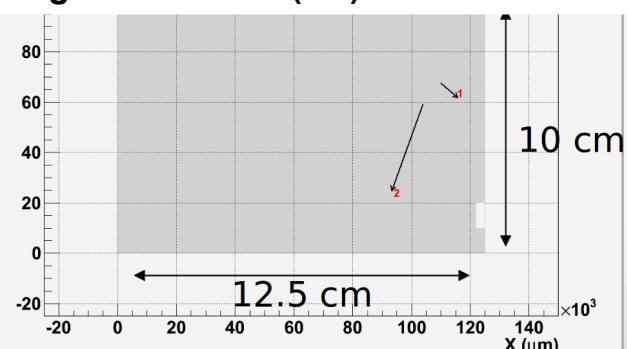
A gigantic high-granularity
“vertex detector”



“Brick-finding”



Conferma e innesto dello scanning nel
brick grazie ai doppietti di emulsioni
Changeable Sheets (CS)



+ svariate installazioni ancillari “off-site”:

- “refreshing” emulsioni (JP e LNGS)
- Assemblaggio/smontaggio brick (LNGS)
- Labelling e marcatura con X ray (LNGS)
- Sviluppo automatico (LNGS)
- Scanning CS (LNGS)
- Scanning bricks (Europa + JP)

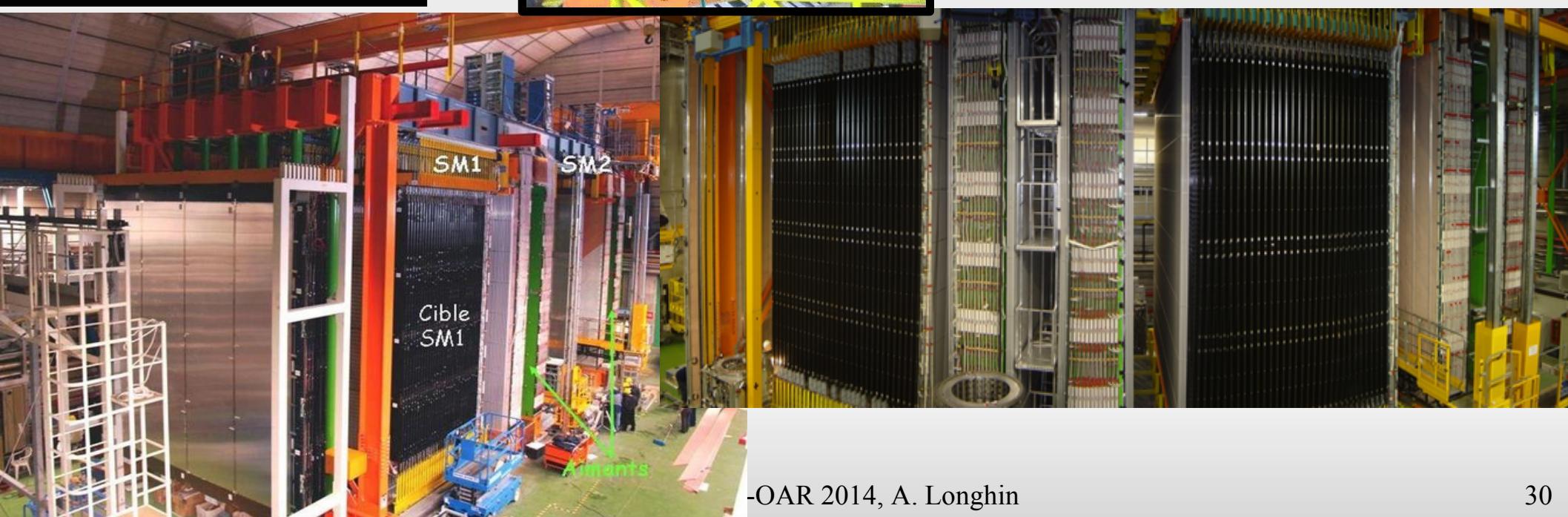
September 2003



... 2004



... 2005



Brick filling and extractions

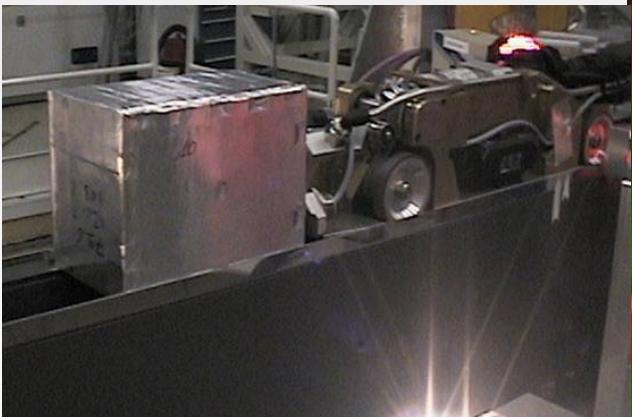
nowadays



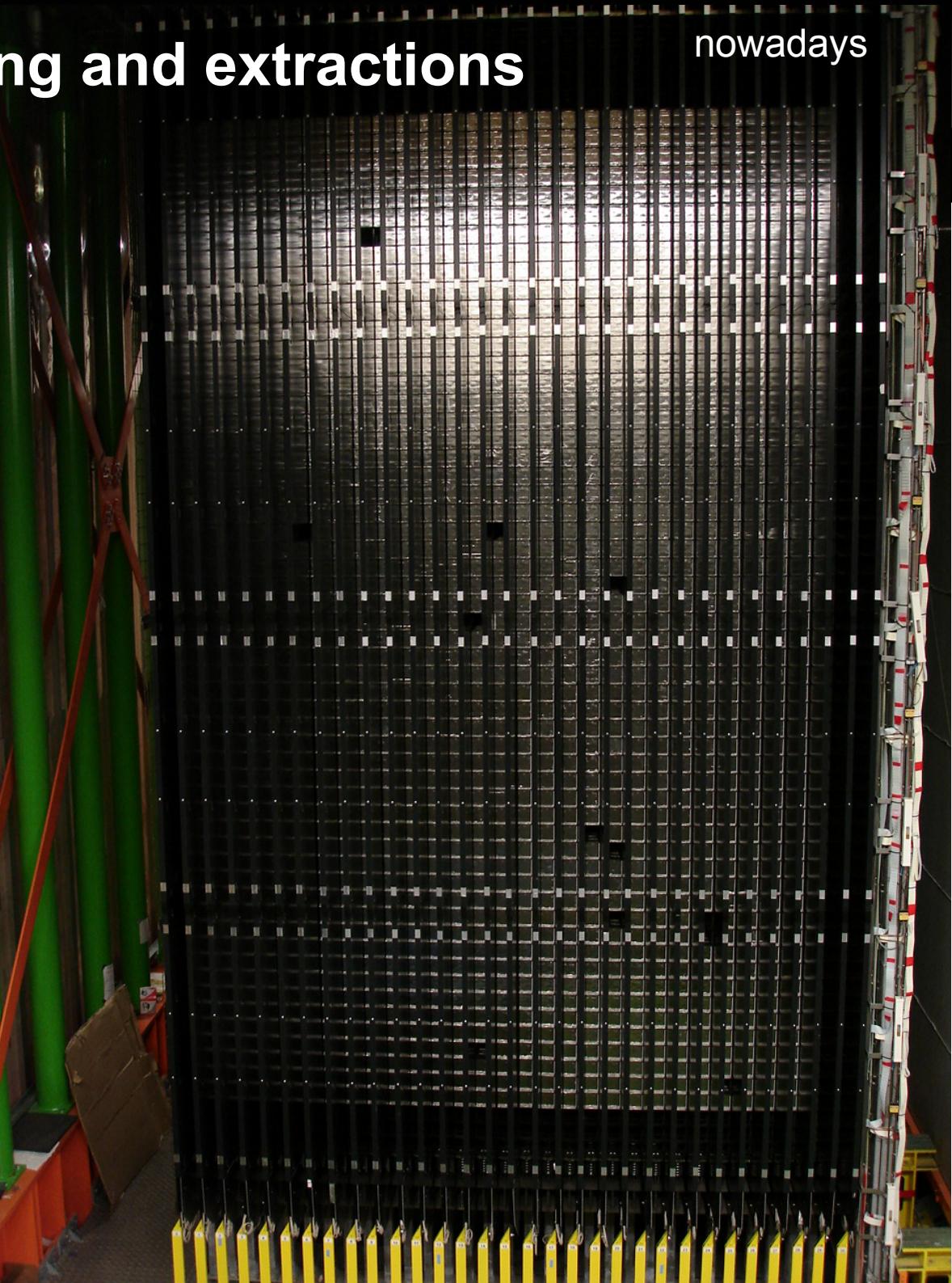
LAPP Annecy

some among the
first installed bricks

Accomplished smoothly in parallel
to brick production in ~ 1.5 y



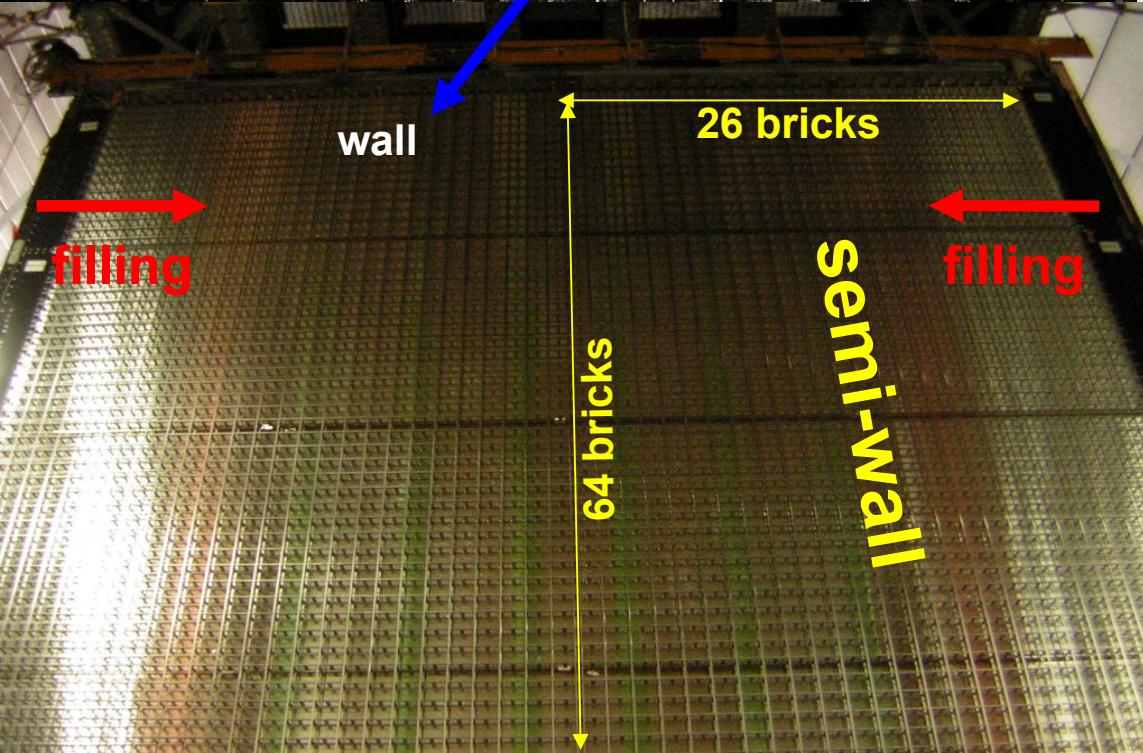
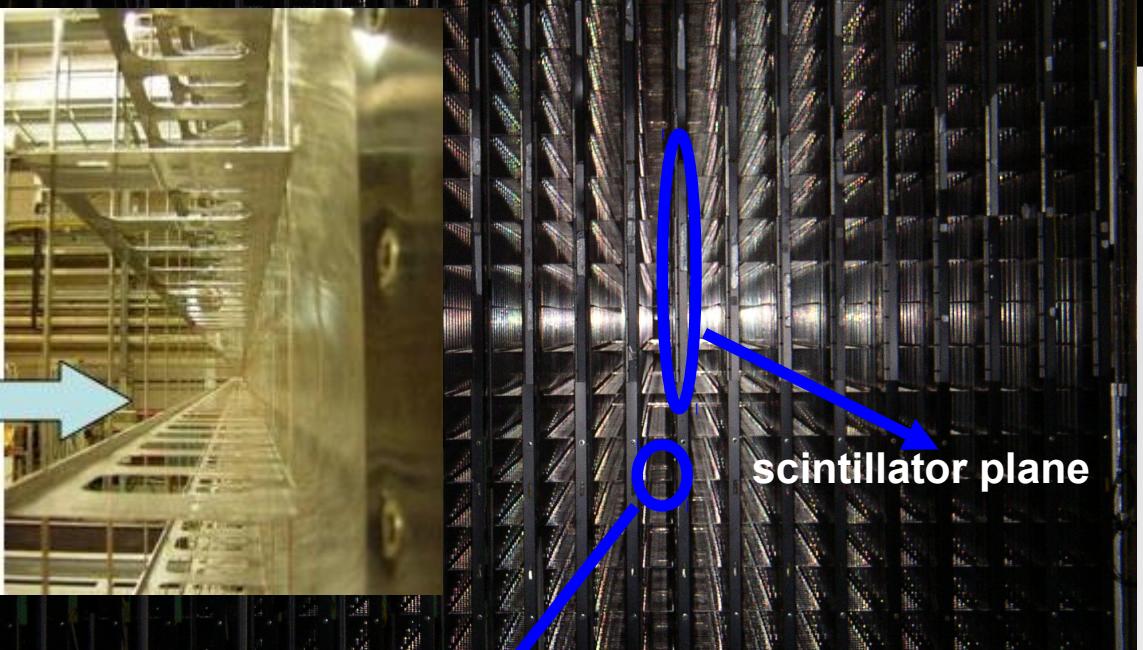
Up to 25 bricks per
shift (8h). OK!



Routine
extractions
in 2008 run:

The bricks support structure

LNF responsibility



Tight mechanical tolerances for brick positioning accuracy and low mass to minimize interactions in passive target

Holds 3328 bricks ~ 28 ton
Ultra-light: 0.4% of bricks mass

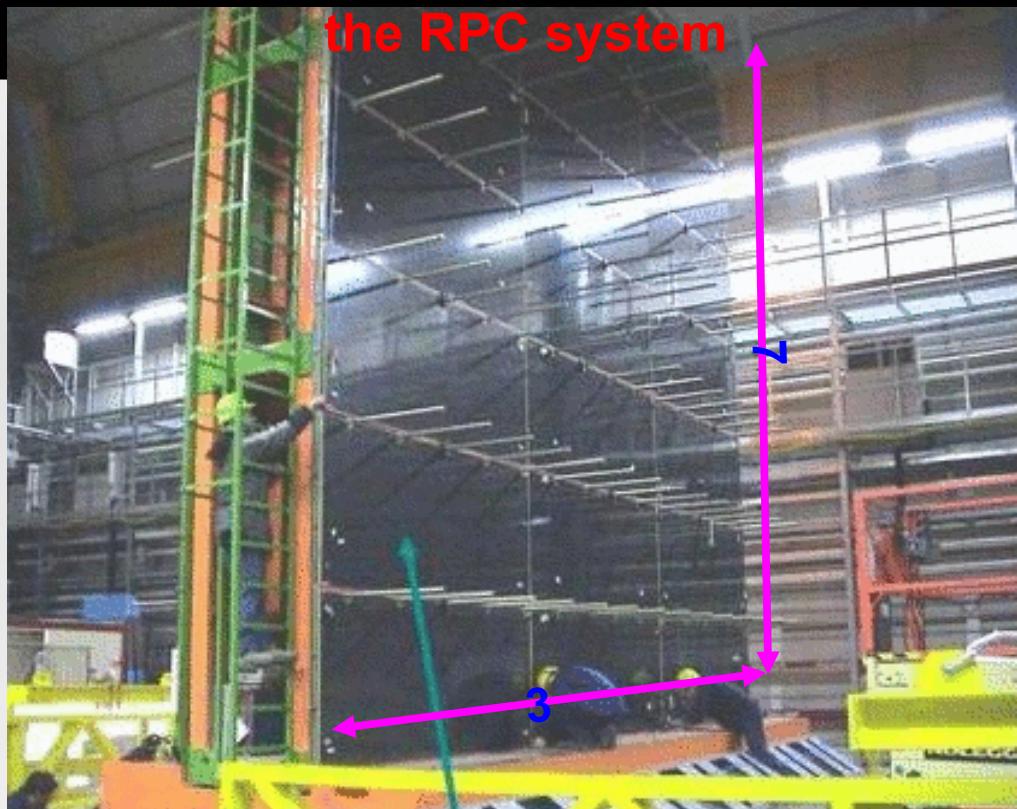
Stainless steel vertical ribbons
(0.8 x10 x 6780 mm)
Laser-welded U-shaped trays
(0.7mm)
Spring tensioning system

Achieved precisions:

- construction (w. mech. gauges)
 $(105.3 \pm 0.1 / 82.6 \pm 0.25 / 7330 \pm 0.6)$ mm
- positioning (measured during installation w. high. res photogrammetry)
 - vertical < 0.3 mm
 - transverse & longitudinal < 0.5 mm
 - planarity < 1 mm

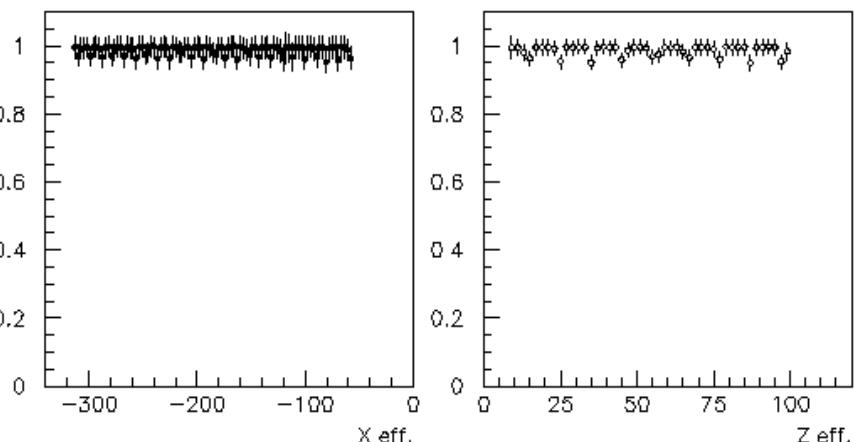
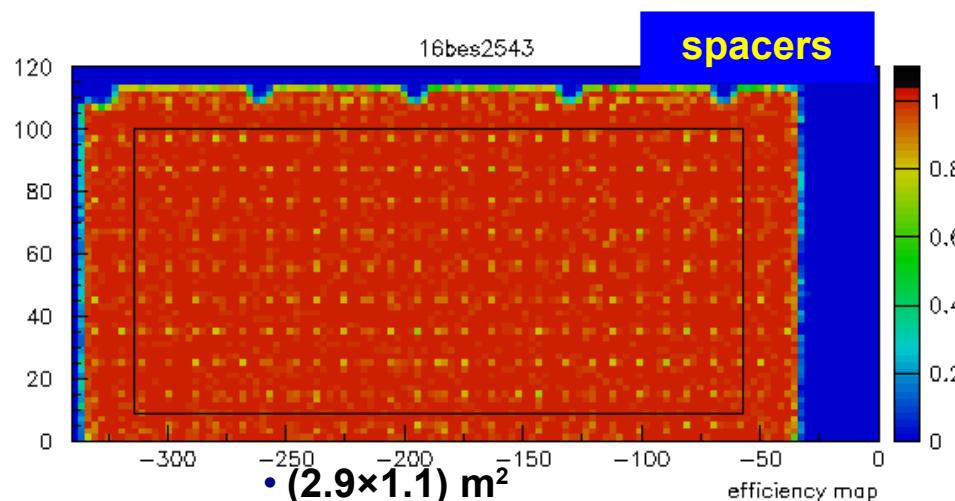
The inner trackers (RPC)

LNF expertise, quality tests, spectrometer installation underground



Bakelite Resistive Plate Chambers with 2 mm gaps and Linseed oil coating

cosmic ray efficiency map for 1 chamber (at surface!)



- 462 (Bakelite RPC) + 42 (XPC) x 2 ~ 1000
- tot. surface: 3326 m²
- digital channels: ~ 27000
- strip pitches: 2.6, 3.5 cm (Vert, Hor)
- Front-End Boards: 468
- Controller Boards: 52
- Gas: 76%Ar+20%TFE+4%Iso+0.6%SF₆
- 8 kV/2mm

Muon spectrometer close-up

Iron spectrometer designed
and build by LNF

38 mm diam. 8 m long tubes.
(never so long before!)

10.000 drift tubes
4 layers modules (staggered)

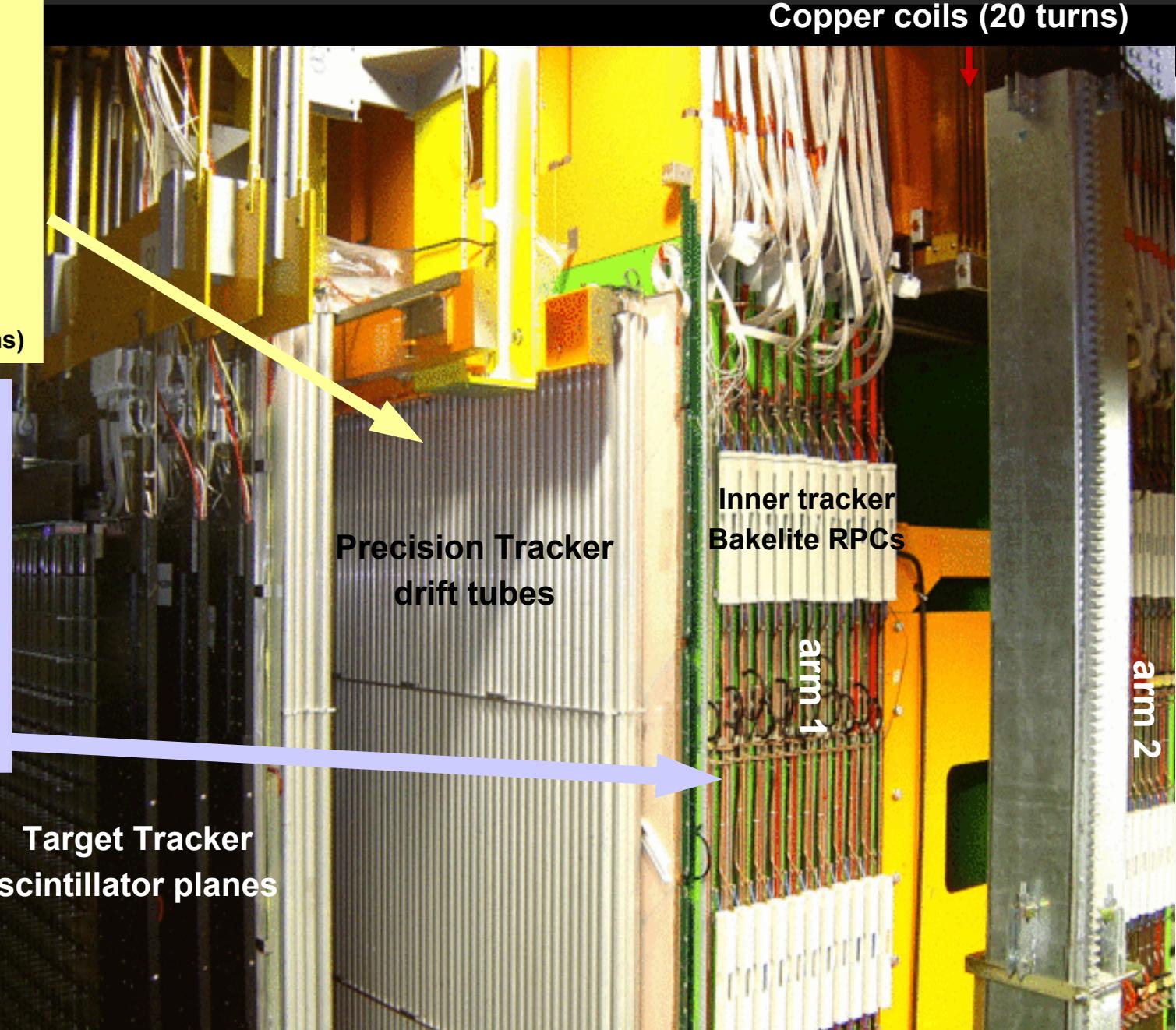
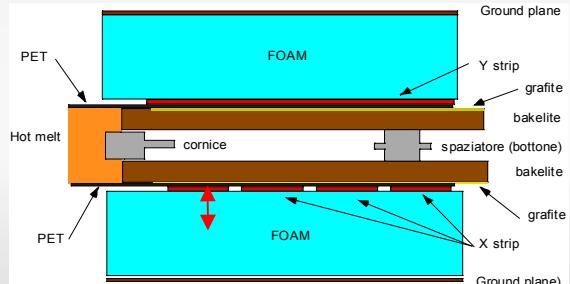
Ar/CO₂: 80/20% @ 1005±5 mbar
(80 m³ exchange 1m³/h)

0.85 mm thick. 45 µm wire.

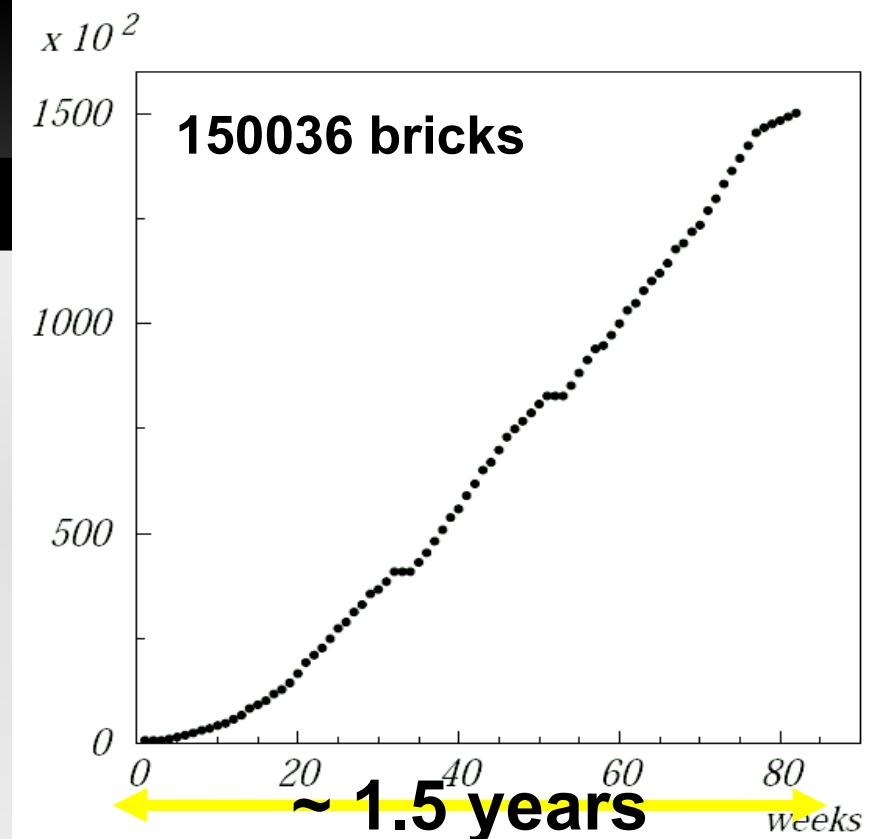
RPC-triggered, 3.2 µs TDCs (LSB 1.5 ns)

- Bakelite RPC (streamer mode)
- 462 RPC + 42 (XPC) x 2 ~ 1000
- 3326 m² (2.9 x 1.1 m² each)
- digital channels: ~ 27000
- Strips pitch: 2.6, 3.5 cm (Vert, Hor)
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- 76%Ar+20%TFE+4%Iso+0.6%SF₆
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Target Tracker
scintillator planes



The brick assembly machine

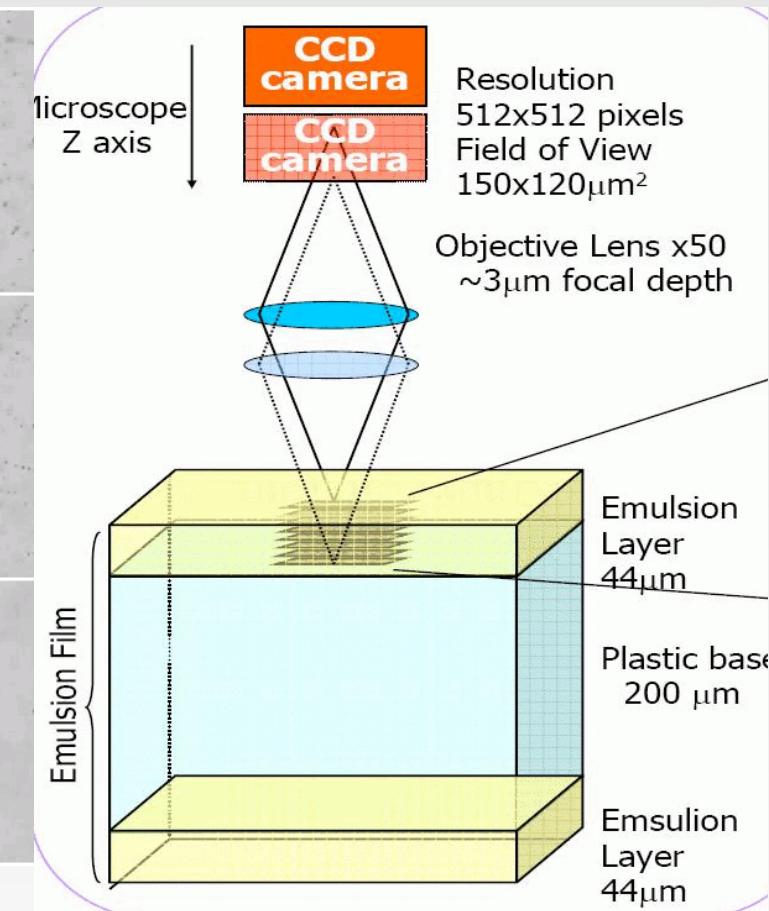
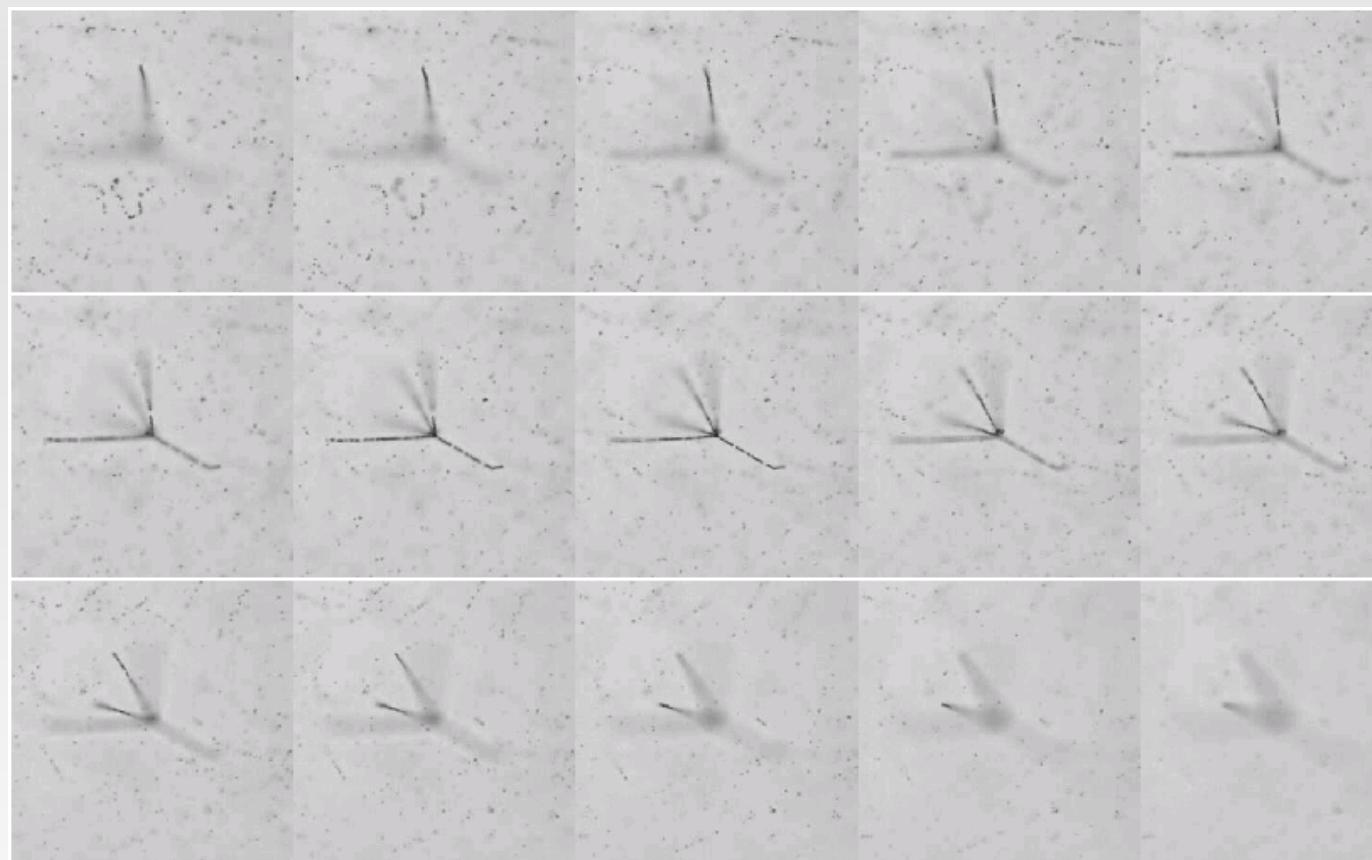


Automatic stacking and packaging
5 robotized parallel piling stations
Operations underground in dark room

150k bricks → 9 M emulsion and lead plates
On average ~650 bricks/day 2 (8h long) shifts/day * 5 days/week (7 operators+1 site manager)

Nuclear emulsion scanning: principle

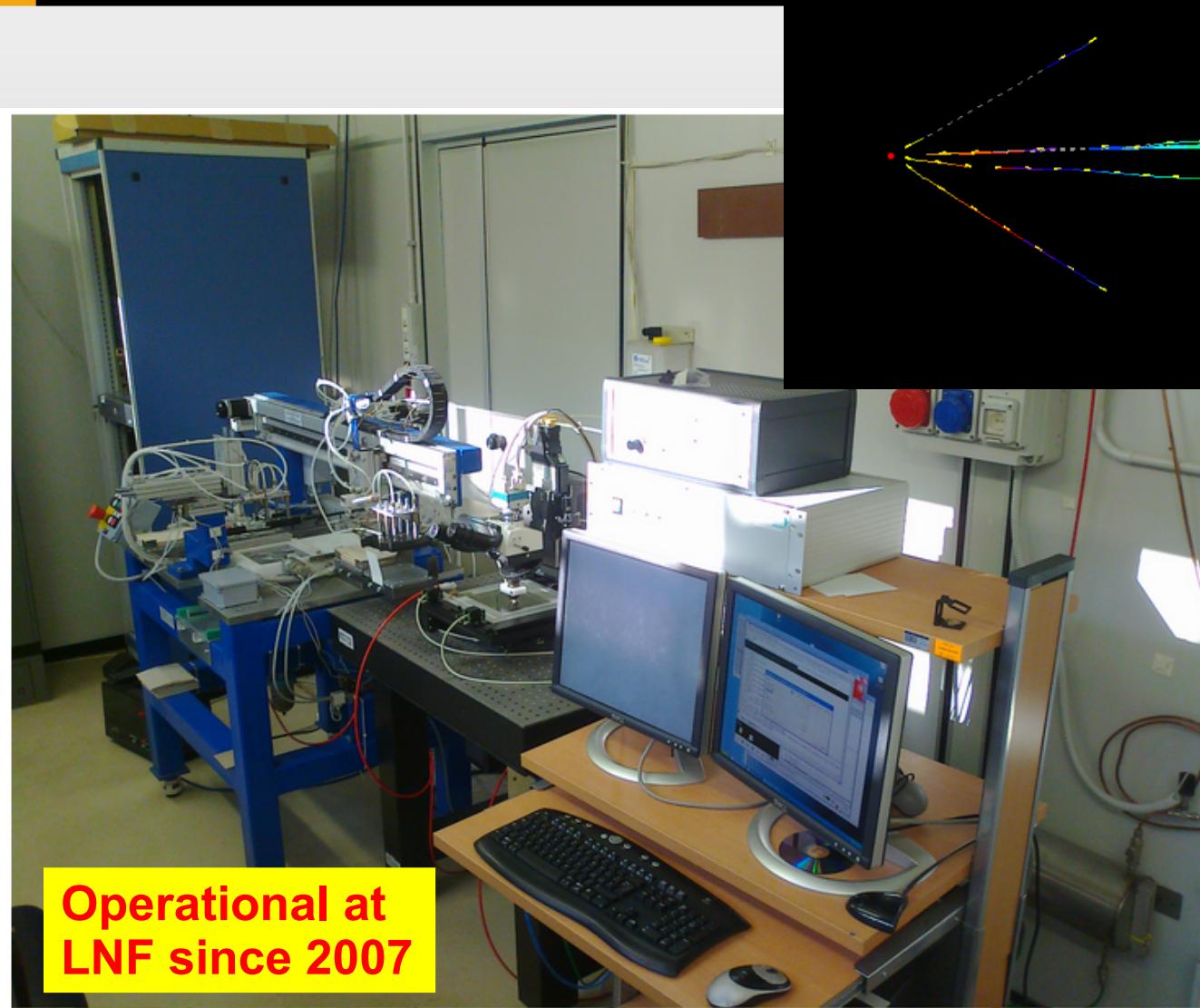
Emulsion cuts at different "z"



From the cascade alpha decays of heavy elements in natural decay chains (i.e. U and Th) present in emulsions. The shown zone is only a small fraction of the microscope view ($\sim 300 \times 400 \mu\text{m}$)

The OPERA scanning laboratory at LNF

An CNGS interaction measured at LNF



Network of laboratories
(Nagoya, Bari,
Bern, Bologna, LNGS
Padova, Roma1, Salerno)
Analyse the OPERA emulsion
data. Neutrino interactions are
localized in the brick and the
decay topology is studied
at a micrometric scale to
search for the occurrence of
oscillated tau neutrinos
interactions.

<https://www.lnf.infn.it/esperimenti/operascanning.html>

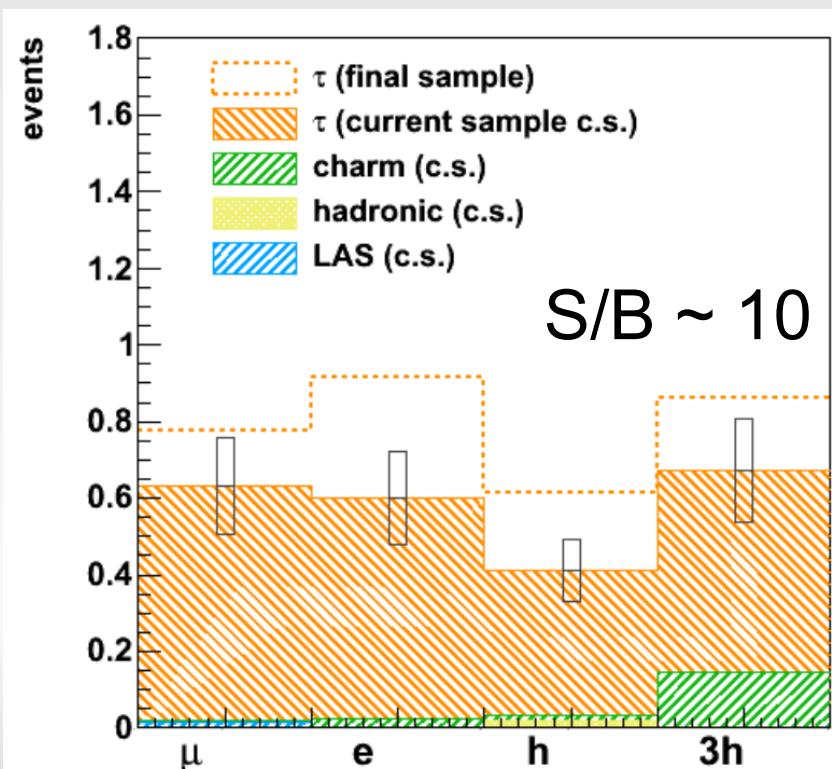
https://www.lnf.infn.it/esperimenti/operascanning/figs/animation_54105.gif

Results on the analysed sample

Expected Signal	Observed Signal	Background	Charm	μ scattering	had int
$\tau \rightarrow h$	0.38	2	0.03	0.014	0.019
$\tau \rightarrow 3h$	0.53	1	0.15	0.142	0.003
$\tau \rightarrow \mu$	0.58	1	0.02	0.004	0.016
$\tau \rightarrow e$	0.58	0	0.02	0.025	
total	2.1	0.22	0.185	0.016	0.022

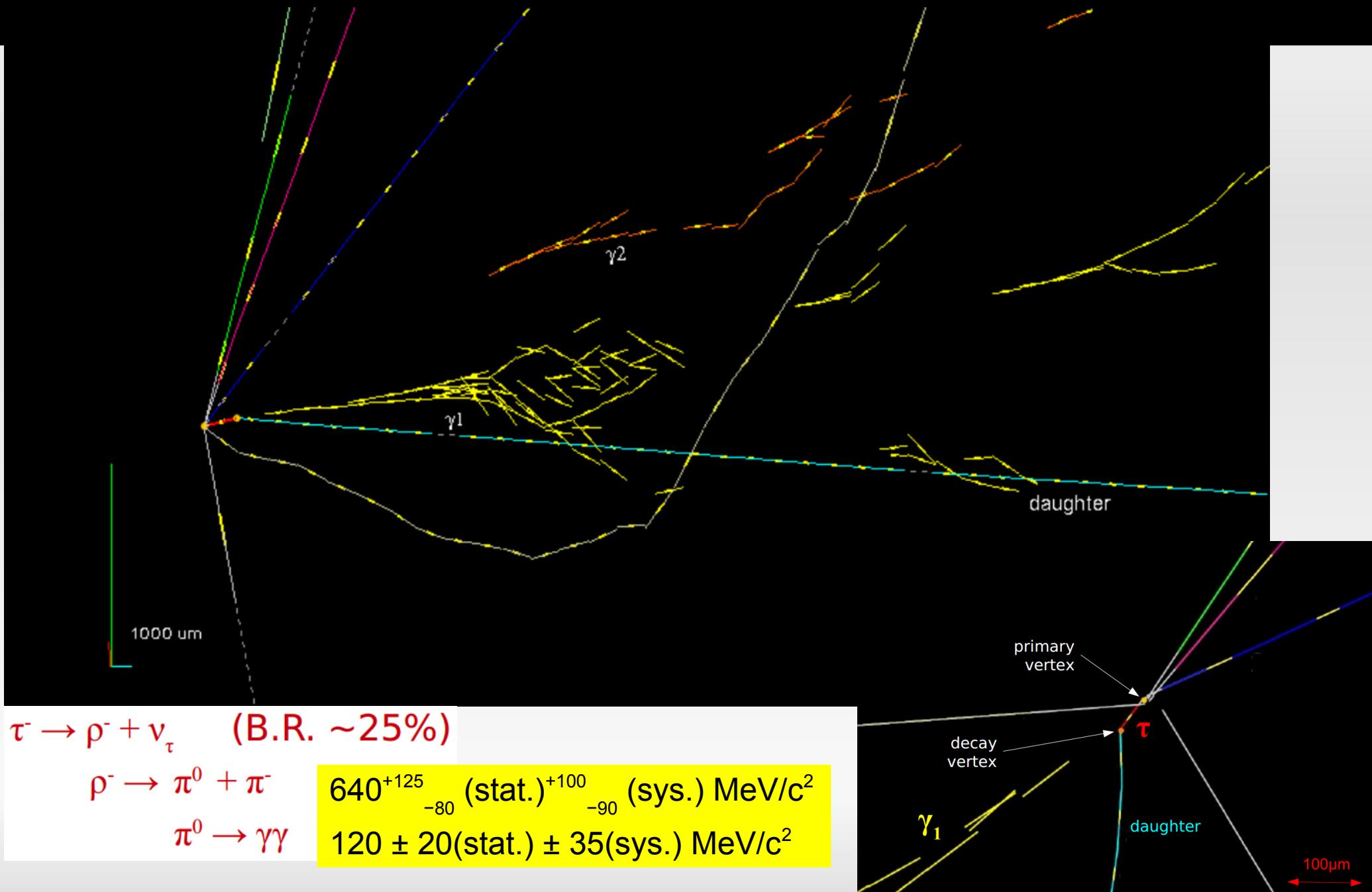
Attesi: $S = 2.1$ ev. $B = 0.22$ ev.
4 candidati osservati
(3 adronici + 1 muonico)

Esclusione ipotesi nulla: 4.2σ
(semplice conteggio, "channel-aware")



II 1° candidato ($\tau \rightarrow 1h$)

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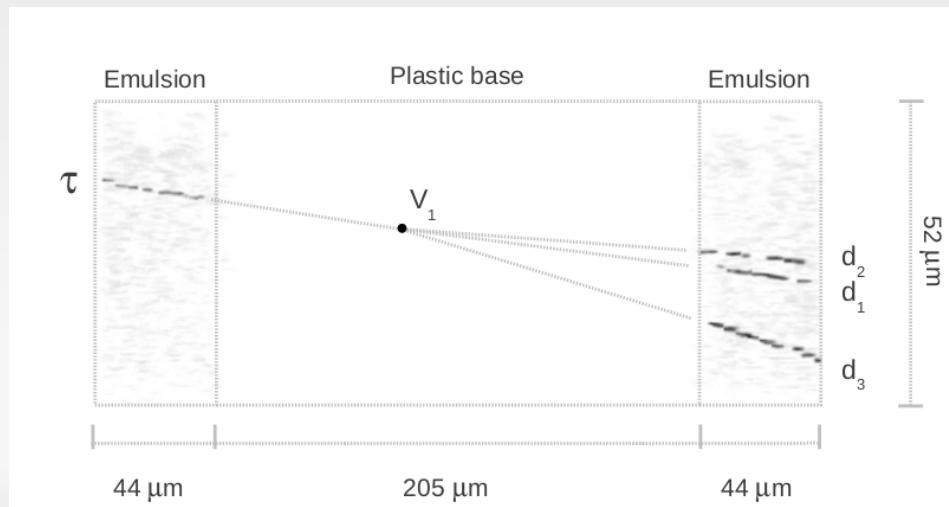
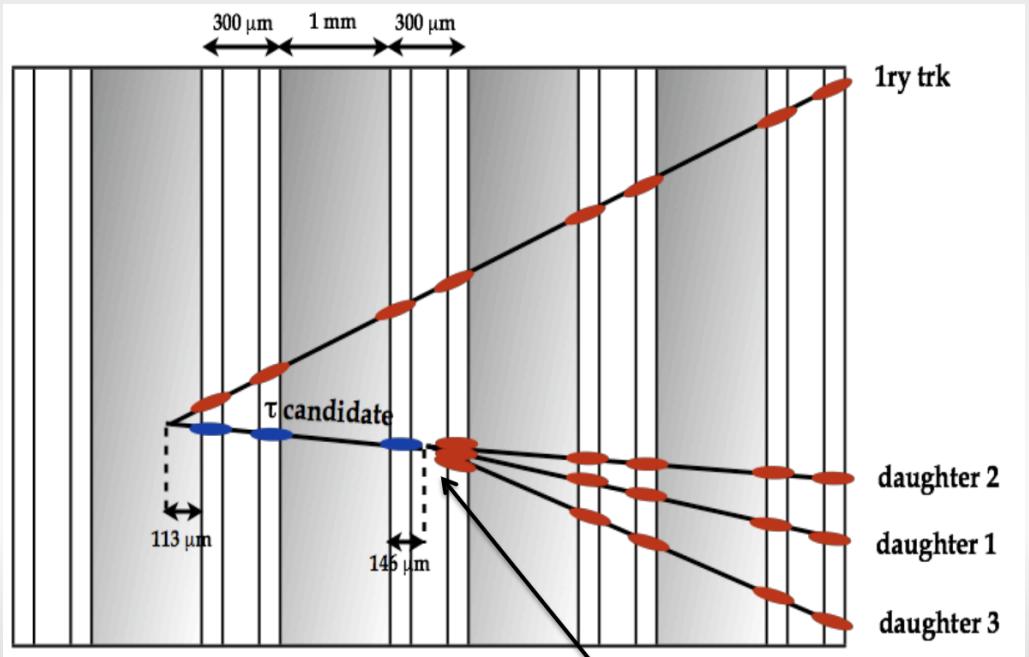
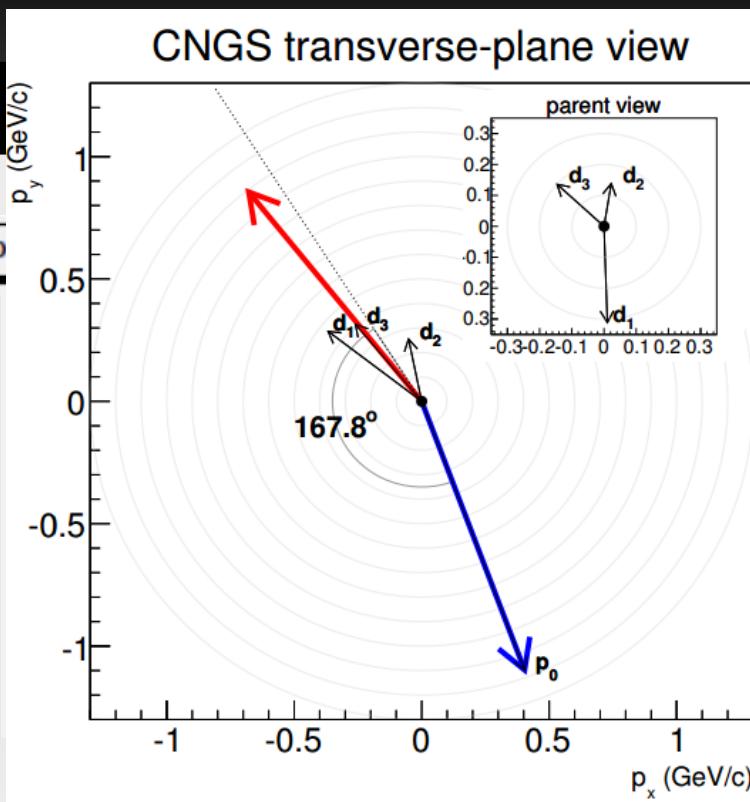
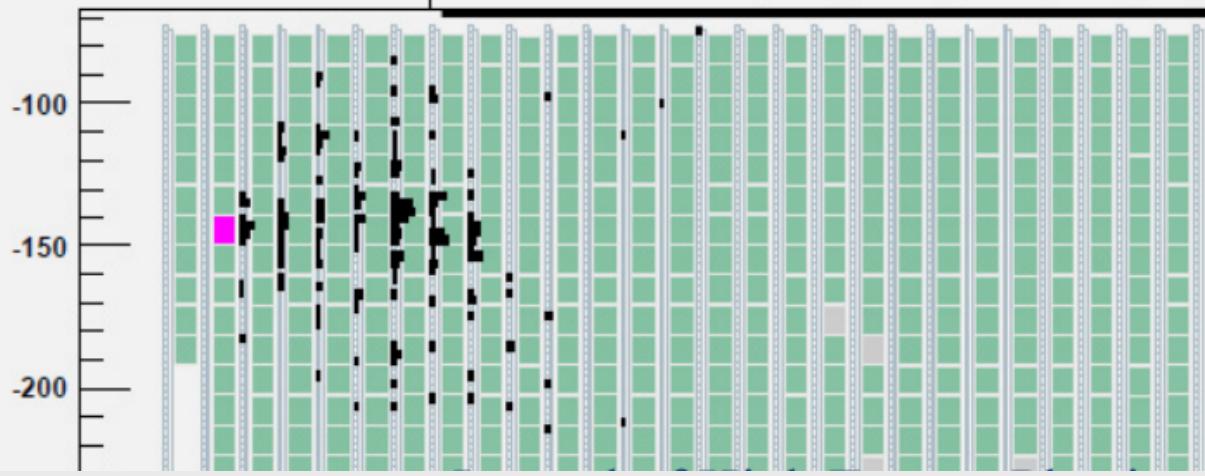


Summary

- Neutrinos are of central interest for Fundamental Physics
- A lot of what we have learnt about them (especially at the beginning) came by looking “outside” (the atmosphere, the Sun). Then tests with artificial sources came (accelerator beams, reactors)
- Today, observational cosmology is giving further important information (sum of masses, extra states) → a recurring interplay!
- First indications of the possibility to use neutrinos for astronomy (multi-messenger).
- Broad range of detection techniques developed in the last decades within INFN and LNF : (MACRO, LVD), ICARUS, OPERA, NESSiE, (T2K), KM3net.

Il 2° candidato ($\tau \rightarrow 3h$)

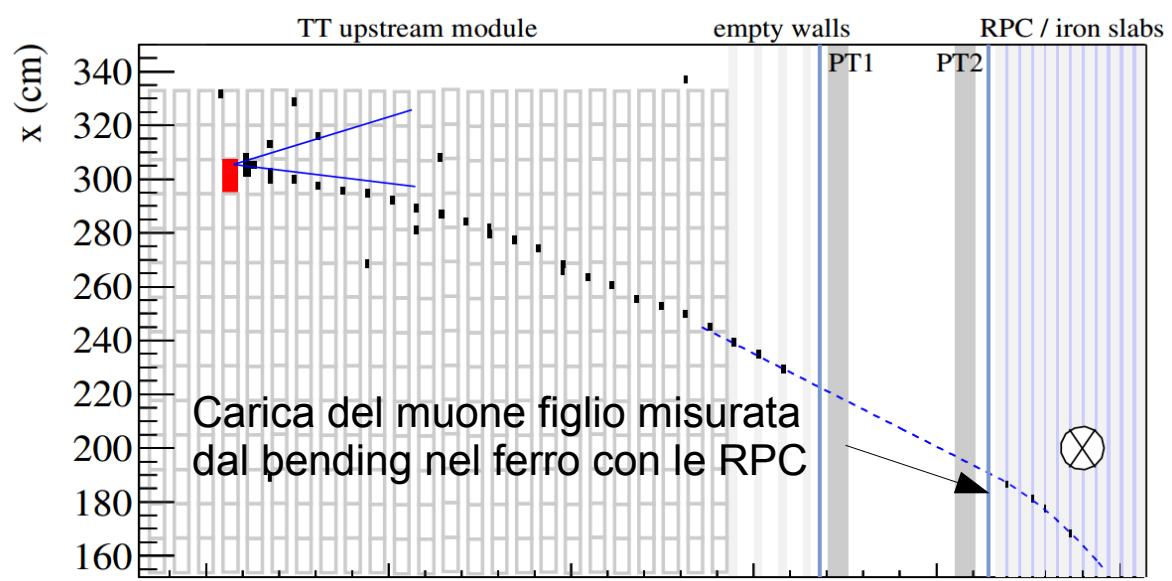
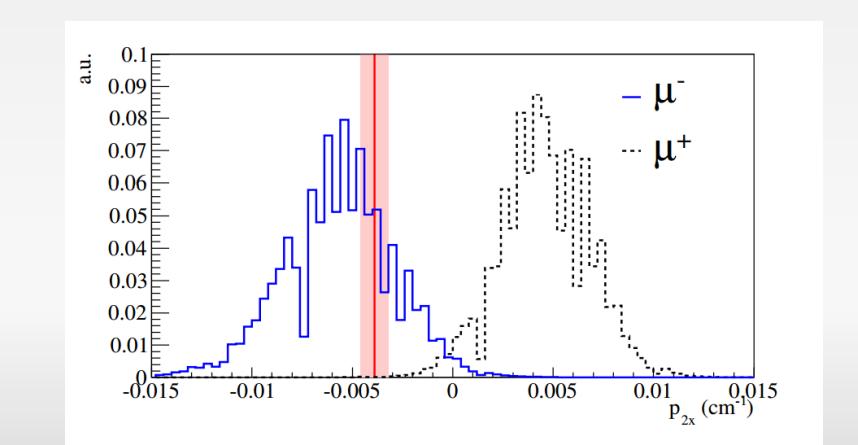
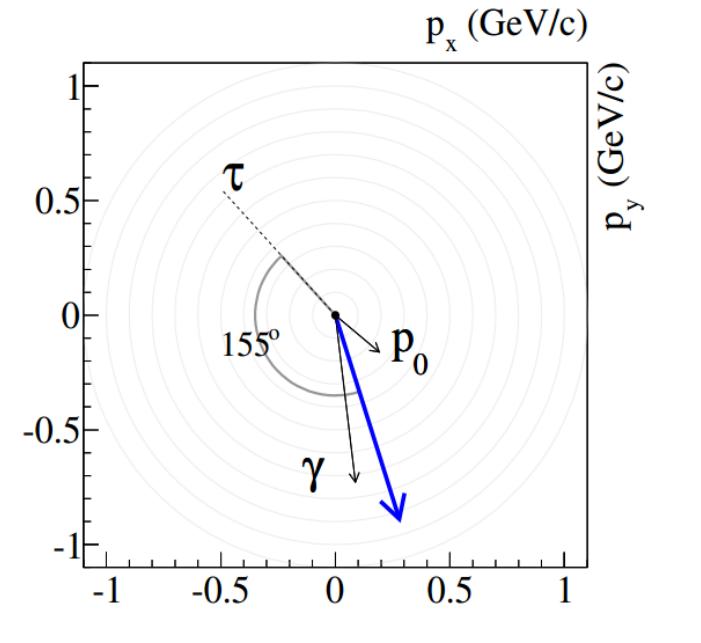
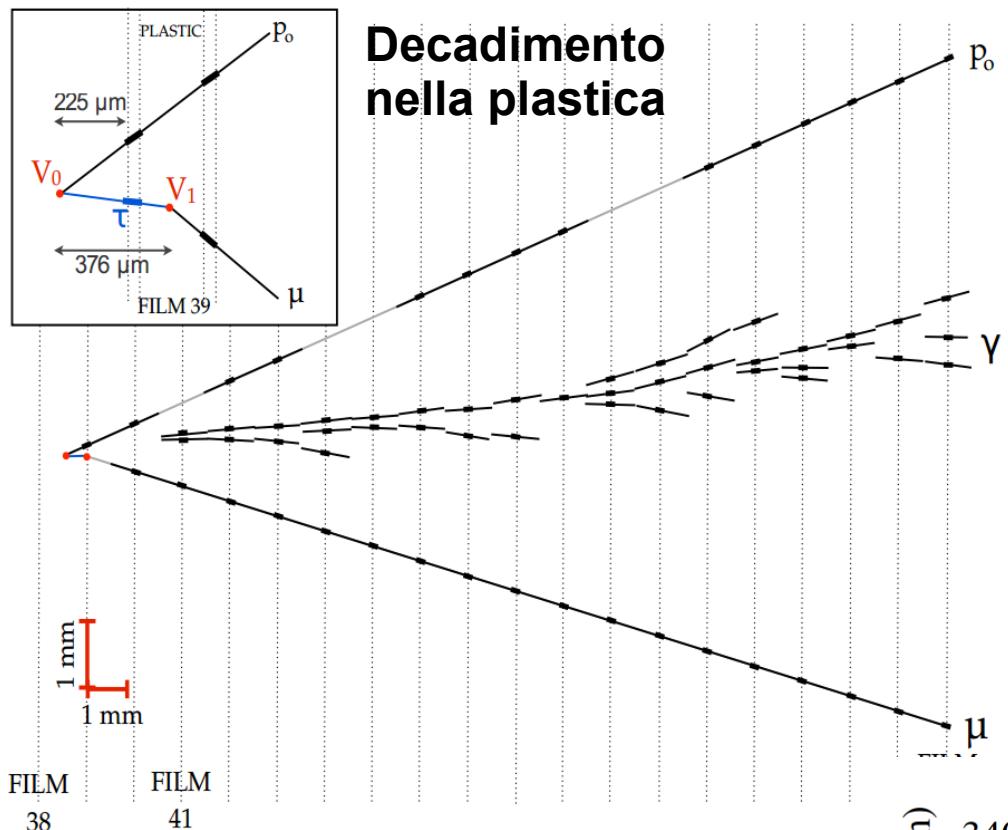
Rows (side view)



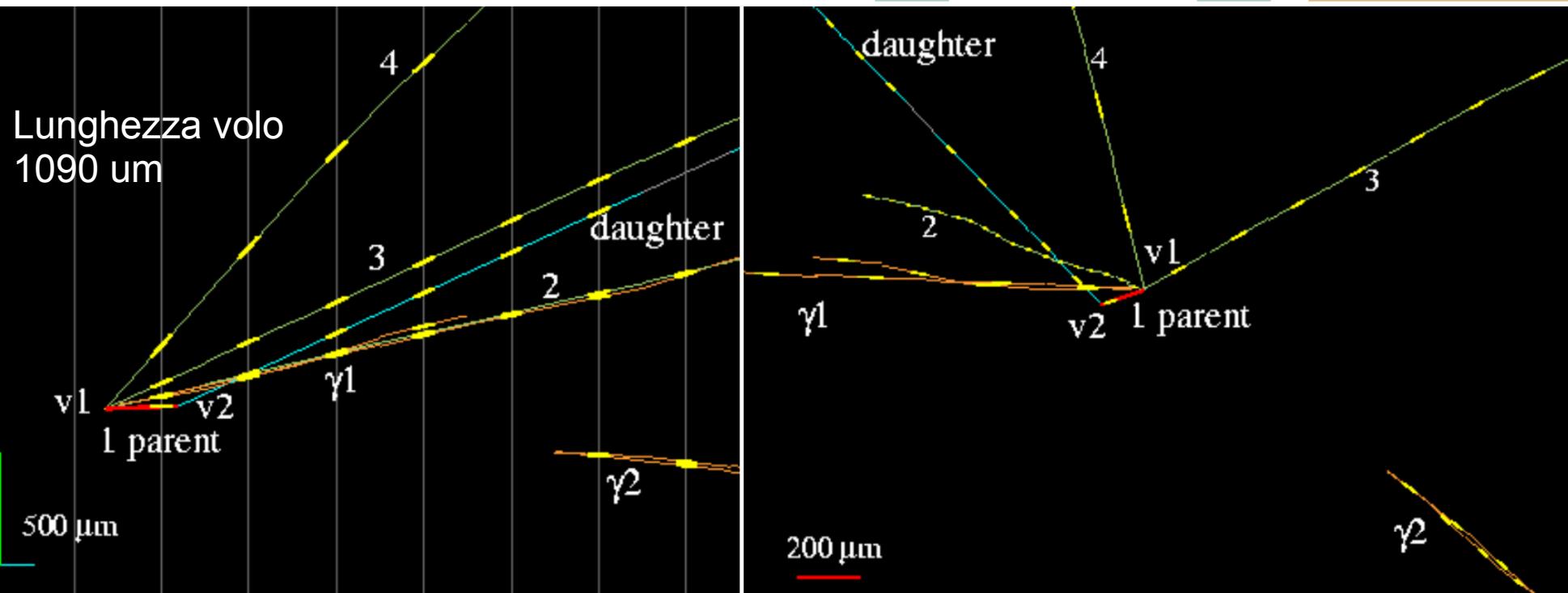
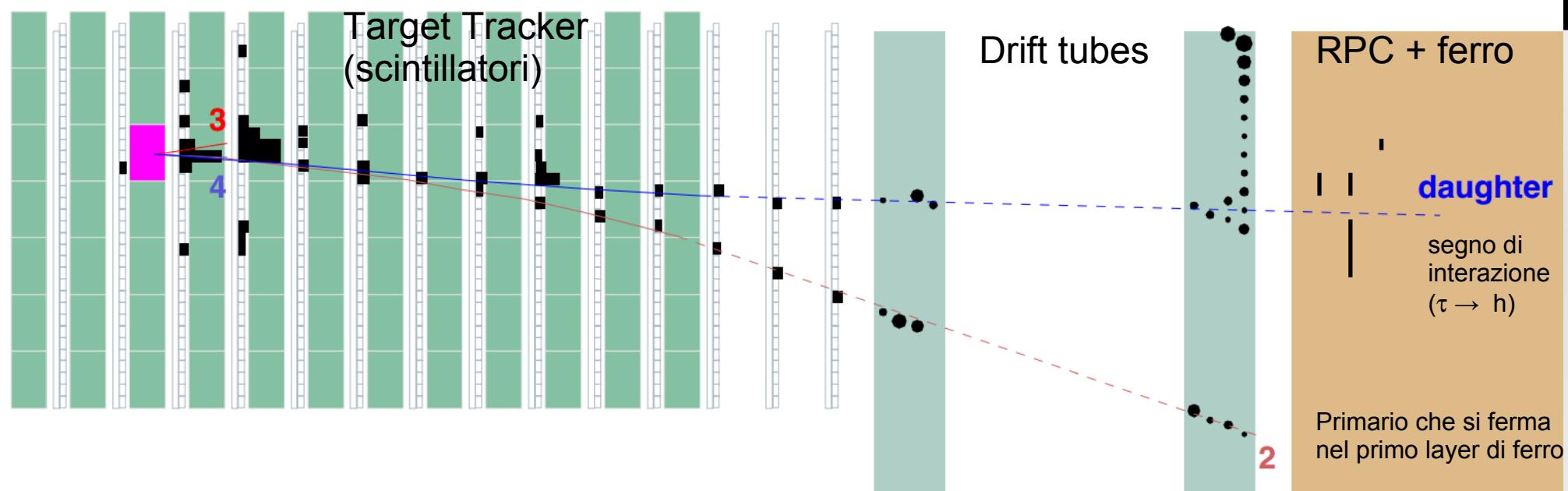
Decadimento nella plastica

Il 3° candidato ($\tau \rightarrow \mu$)

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Il 4° candidato ($\tau \rightarrow 1h$, 25 Marzo 2014)



T2K



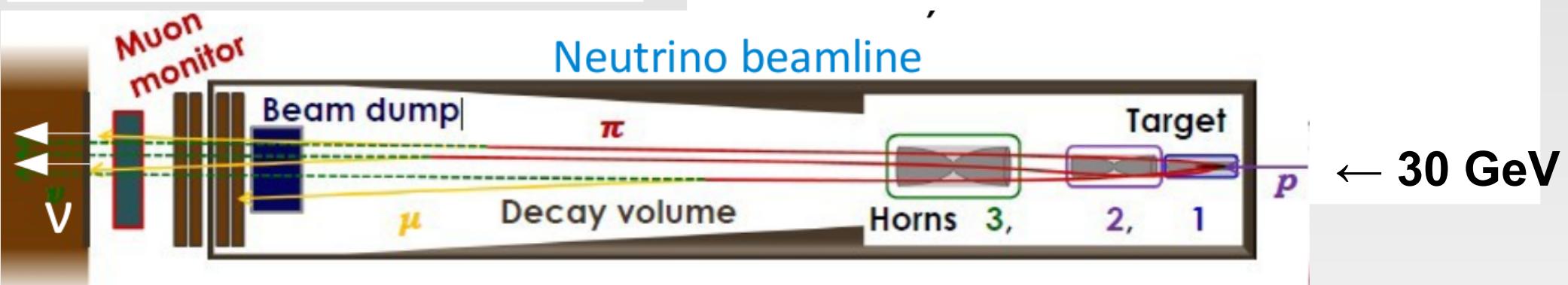
~ 500 membri, 59 istituti, 11 paesi

Ricerca di oscillazioni in un fascio di ν_μ

Apparizione di ν_e – sensibile a θ_{13} e δ_{CP}

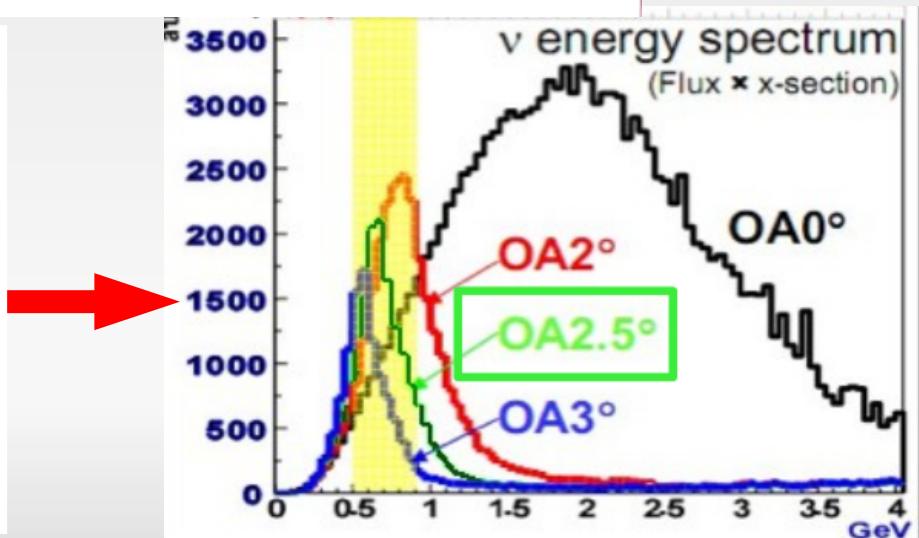
Scomparsa di ν_μ – sensibile a θ_{23} e Δm^2_{23}

Inoltre: sezioni d'urto, ν sterili, effetti inattesi ?

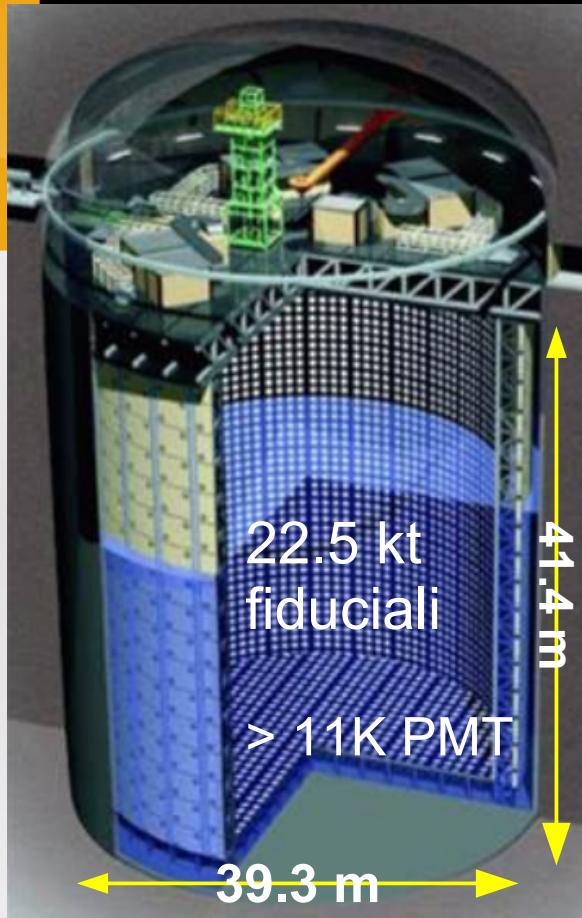


Primo fascio “off-axis”

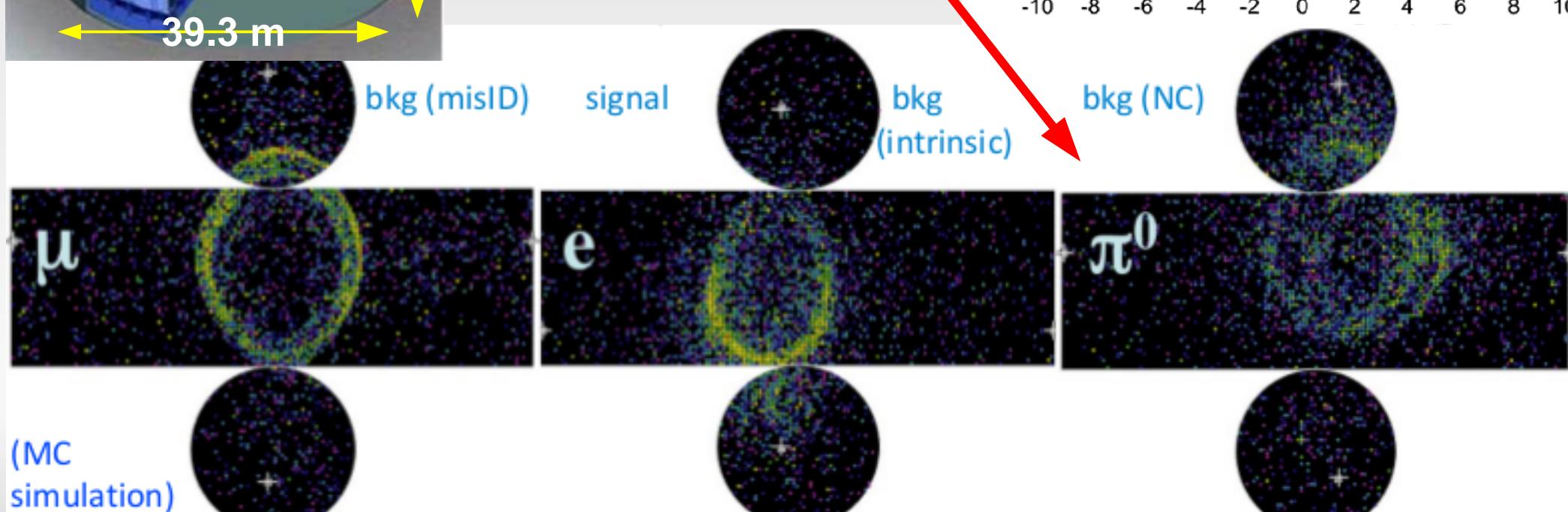
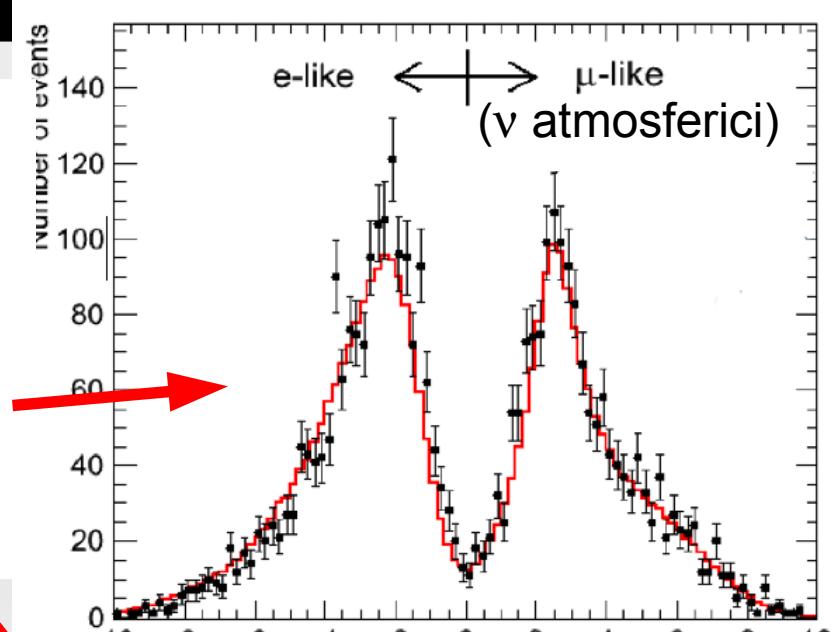
- $2.5^\circ \rightarrow$ picco a ~ 0.6 GeV
- Campione arricchito in interazioni quasi-elastiche (buona misura di E_ν)
- Ridotto fondo da ν_e intrinseci
- Ridotto fondo da NC π^0 (\sim poco D.I.S.)
- Doppio rivelatore **a 280 m e 295 km**



Il rivelatore a 295 km: Super-Kamiokande



- Water Cherenkov
 - $\Delta E/E \sim 10\%$ per le interazioni quasi-elastiche (QE)
 - Ottima separazione μ/e
 - Rivelazione dei π^0
 - 2 anelli “e-like”



Apparizione dei ν_e

Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 061802

Eventi attesi nel volume fiduciale:

Segnale $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$: (20.4 ± 1.8)

(per $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$, $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$, $\delta_{CP} = 0$, N.I.)

Fondo: (4.64 ± 0.53)

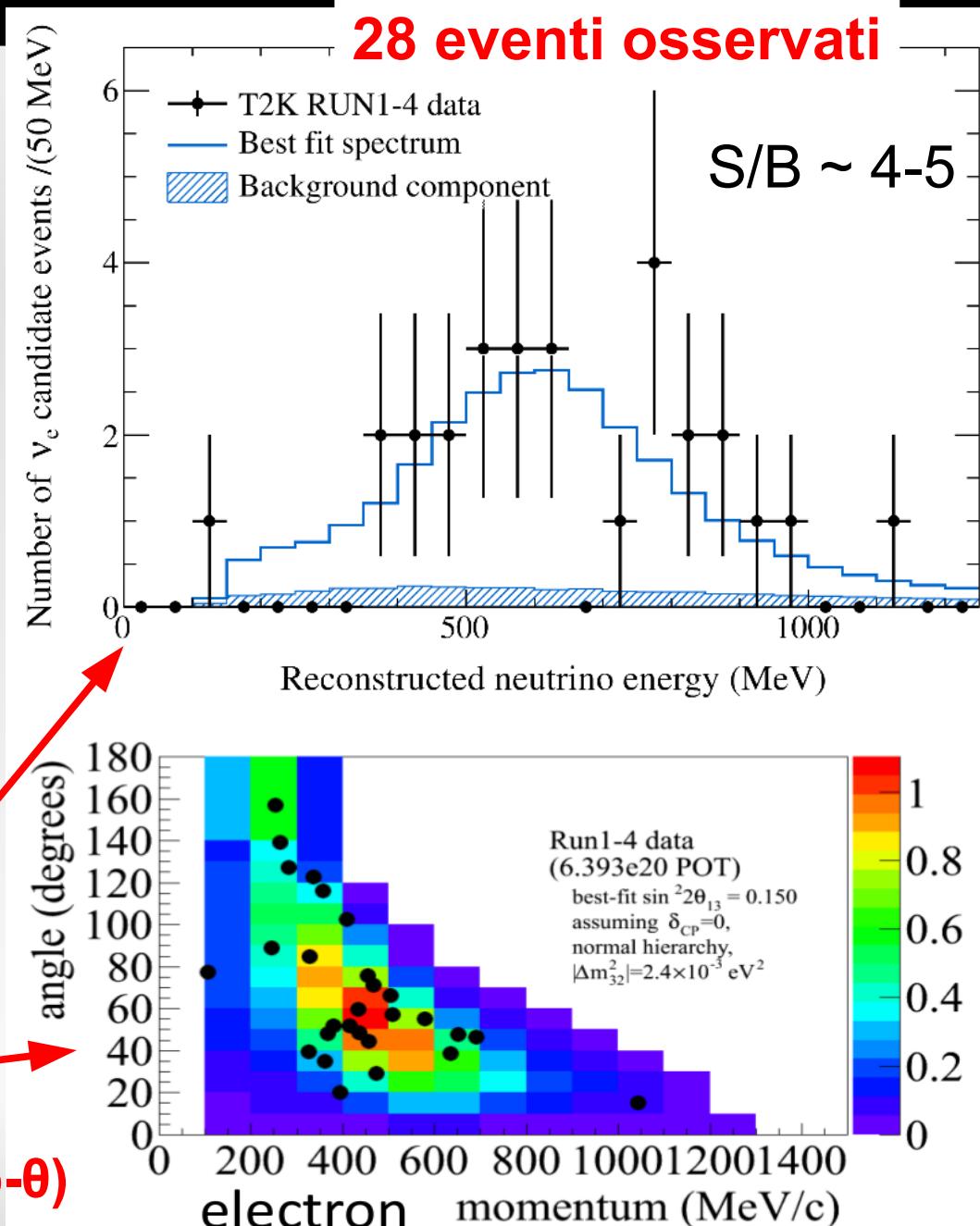
- **3.2 – contaminazione di ν_e nel fascio**
- **0.9 – da ν_μ NC con π^0 (rimosso il 70% del fondo non rigettato dall'analisi precedente)**
- 0.4 – ν_e (dal termine “solare”)
- 0.3 – da anti- ν

Esclusione attesa di $\{\theta_{13} = 0\}$: 5.5σ

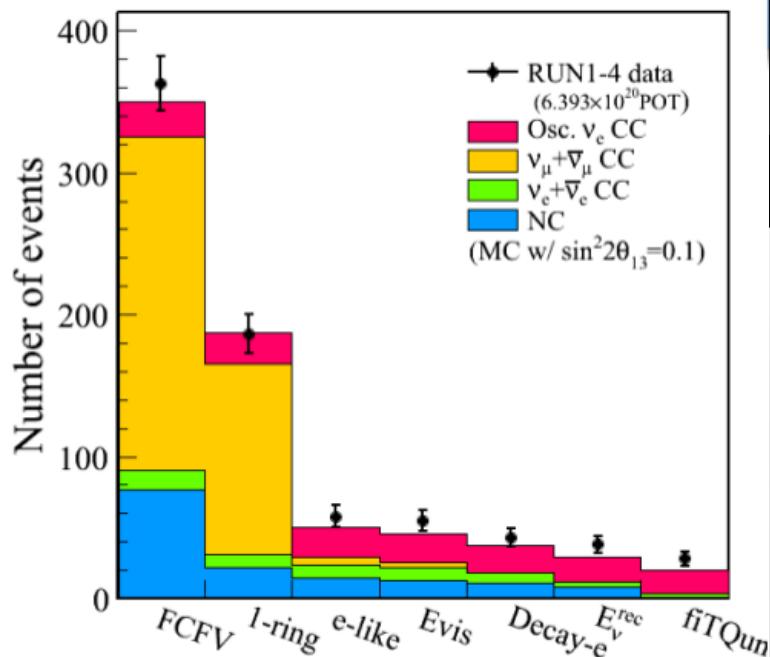
Due analisi indipendenti:

- 1) spettro dell'E ricostruita del ν_e
- 2) distribuzione in θ e p dell'e

Significanza di 7.5σ per $\theta_{13} \neq 0$ ($p-\theta$)



Apparizione dei ν_e : θ_{13} e δ_{CP}



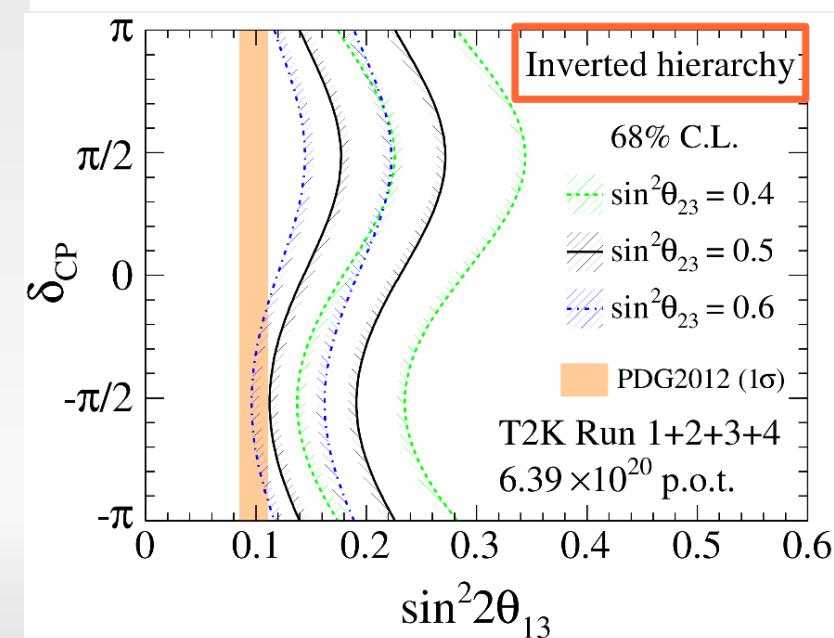
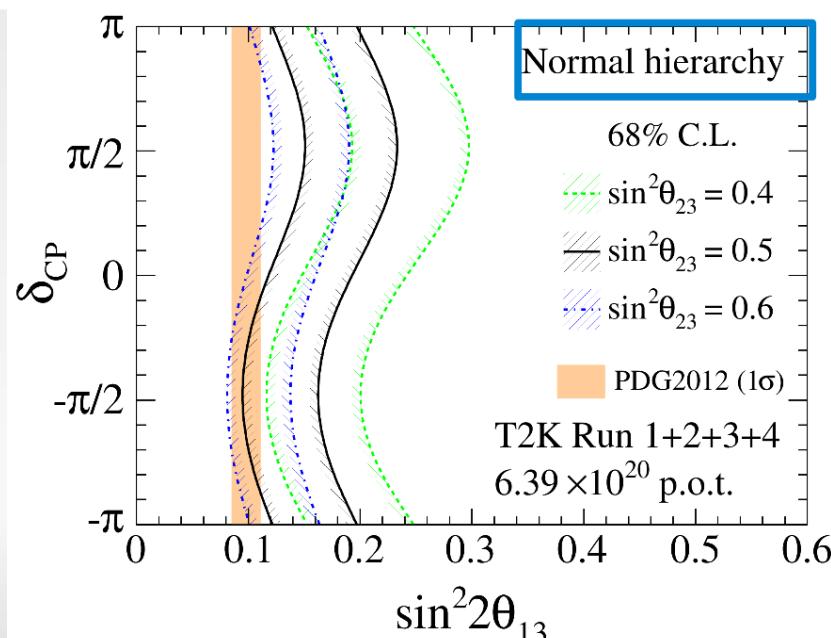
$$P_{\mu \rightarrow e} \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

Dipendenza da θ_{23}
asimmetrica rispetto $\pi/4$, sensitività all'ottante

I reattori misurano un valore centrale minore: θ_{23}
nel 2° ottante e $\delta_{CP} \sim -\pi/2$ leggermente favoriti

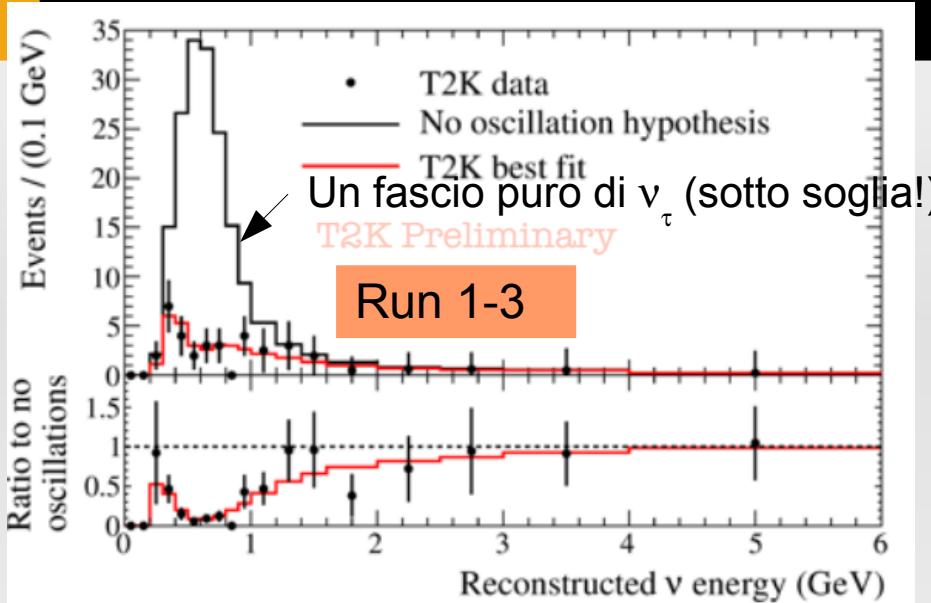
Gerarchia normale best fit: 0.150
@ 90% CL: $0.097 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.218$

Gerarchia inversa, best fit 0.182
@ 90% CL: $0.118 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.261$



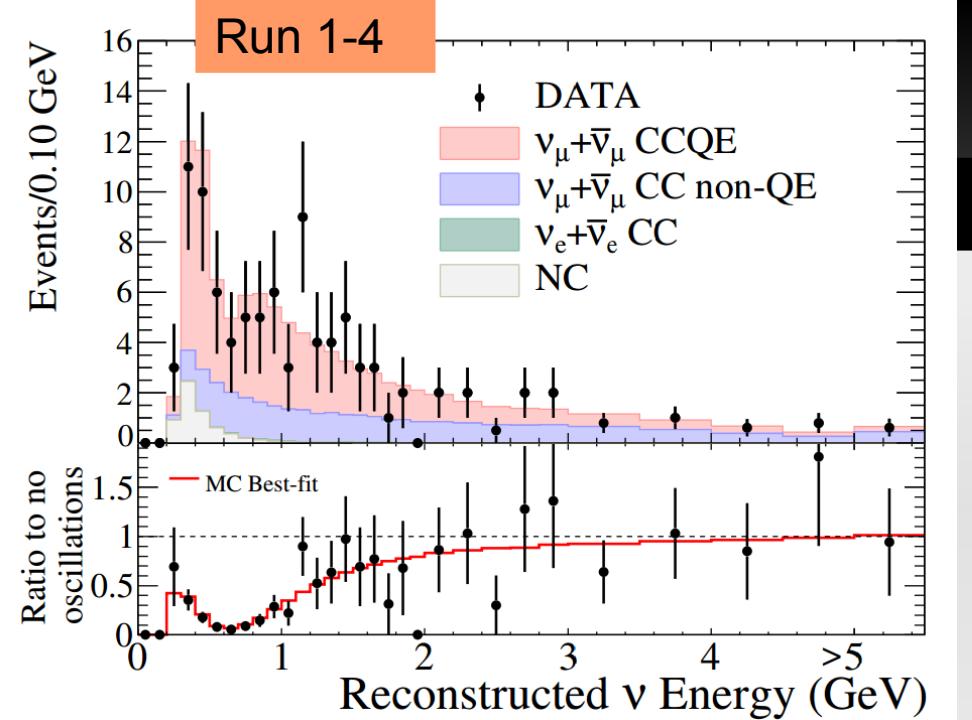
Scomparsa dei ν_μ

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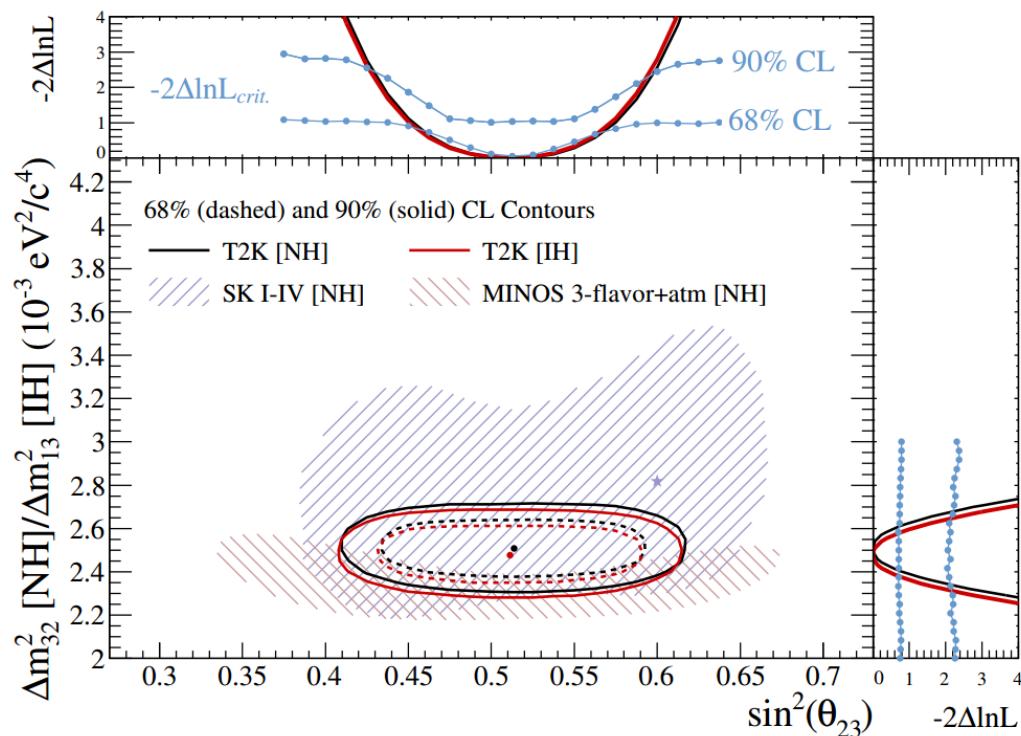


- Il primo fascio disegnato con una precisa determinazione del Δm^2 (soppressione massimale esattamente al picco!). **Attesi in assenza di osc. 446 ± 22.5 (sys.). Osservati 110.**
- Analisi a 3v (dipendenza da θ_{23} non $\pi/4$ simmetrica nel termine subleading modulato da θ_{13})
- Migliore misura mondiale di θ_{23} ($\sim 11\%$)**
- Δm^2 ci si sta avvicinando alle precisioni di MINOS

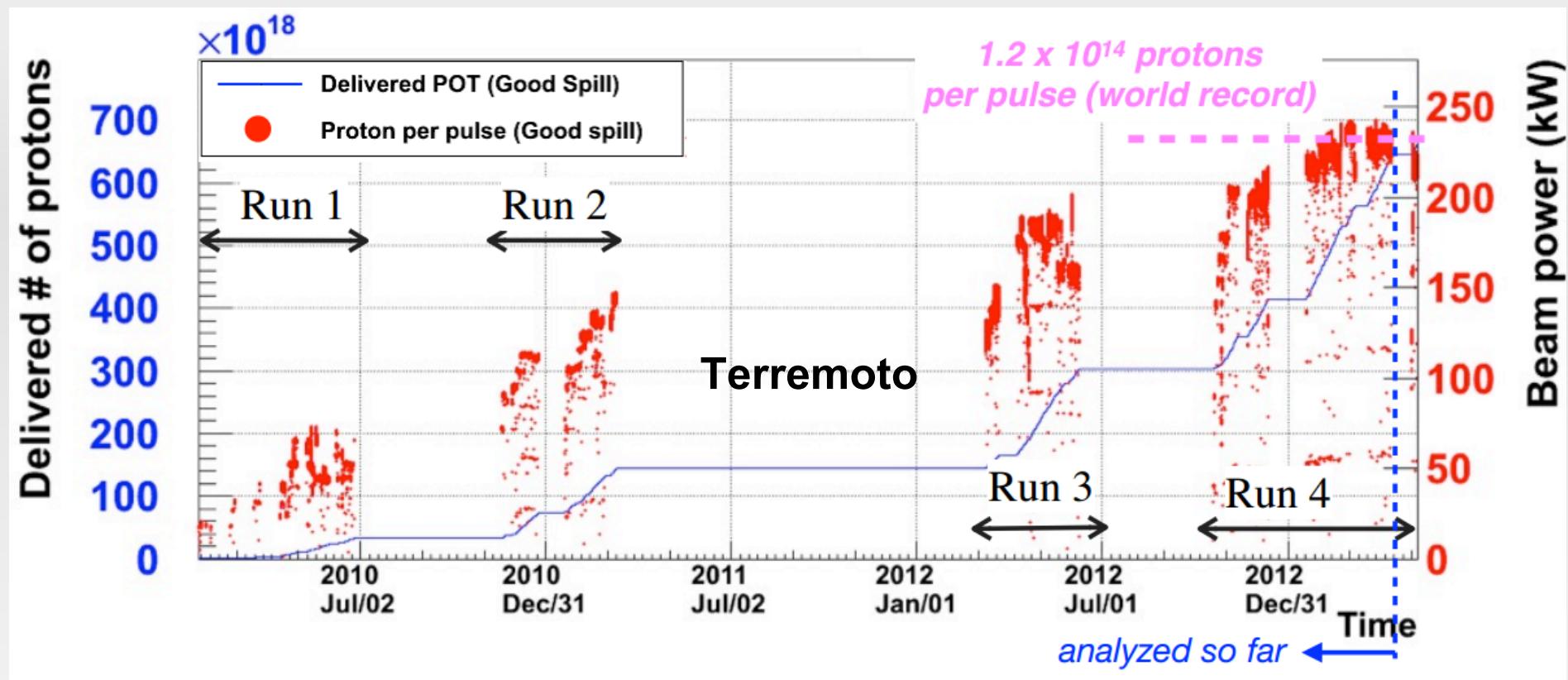
Gerarchia normale	Inversa
$\sin^2(\theta_{23}) = 0.514^{+0.055}_{-0.056}$	(0.511 ± 0.055)
$\Delta m_{13}^2 = 2.48 \pm 0.10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$	inversa
$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.51 \pm 0.10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$	normale



$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = 1 - (\cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{23} + \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23}) \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E}$$



T2K: prospettive



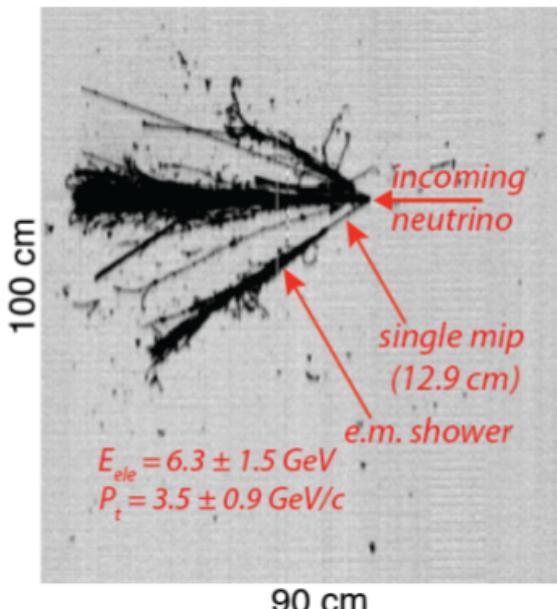
J-PARC stabilmente a 220 kW per la maggior parte dell'ultimo run
 $6.63 \cdot 10^{20}$ POT accumulati (8% del valore di disegno finale)

Prospettive: Run di anti- ν per migliorare la sensitività alla fase di CP entro l'estate. Analisi combinata di ν_μ e ν_e

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ con ICARUS

4 eventi osservati
($E < 30$ GeV)

Esempio:



First result based on the analysis of **1091 ν events** (3.3×10^{19} pot, 2010-2011 data, half the total statistic) published in Eur. Phys. J. C73 (2013).

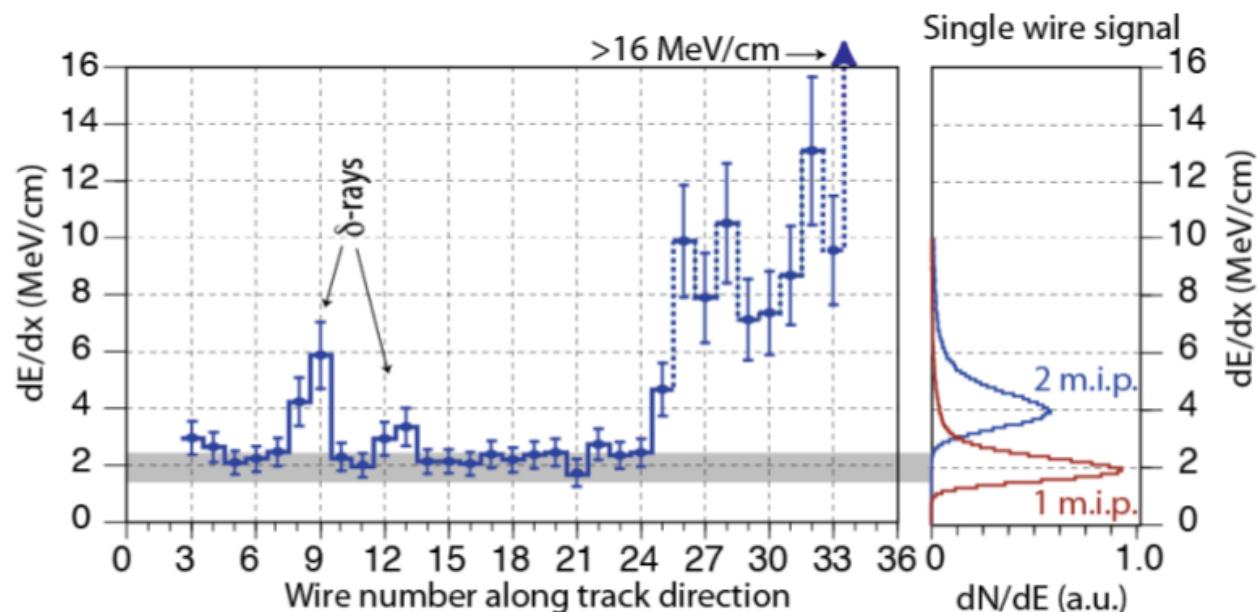
Analysis presented here refers to **1995 ν events** (6.0×10^{19} pot)

Expected number of ν_e events:

- **5.7 ± 0.8** , due to the **intrinsic ν_e beam contamination**,
- **2.3 ± 0.5** , due to **θ_{13} oscillations**, $\sin^2(\theta_{13}) = 0.0242 \pm 0.0026$,
- **1.3 ± 0.1** , from $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ oscillations with subsequent electron production, (3 ν mixing).

Total: **9.3 ± 0.9 expected events**.

Expected events, weighting for efficiency: **6.4 ± 0.9 events**.



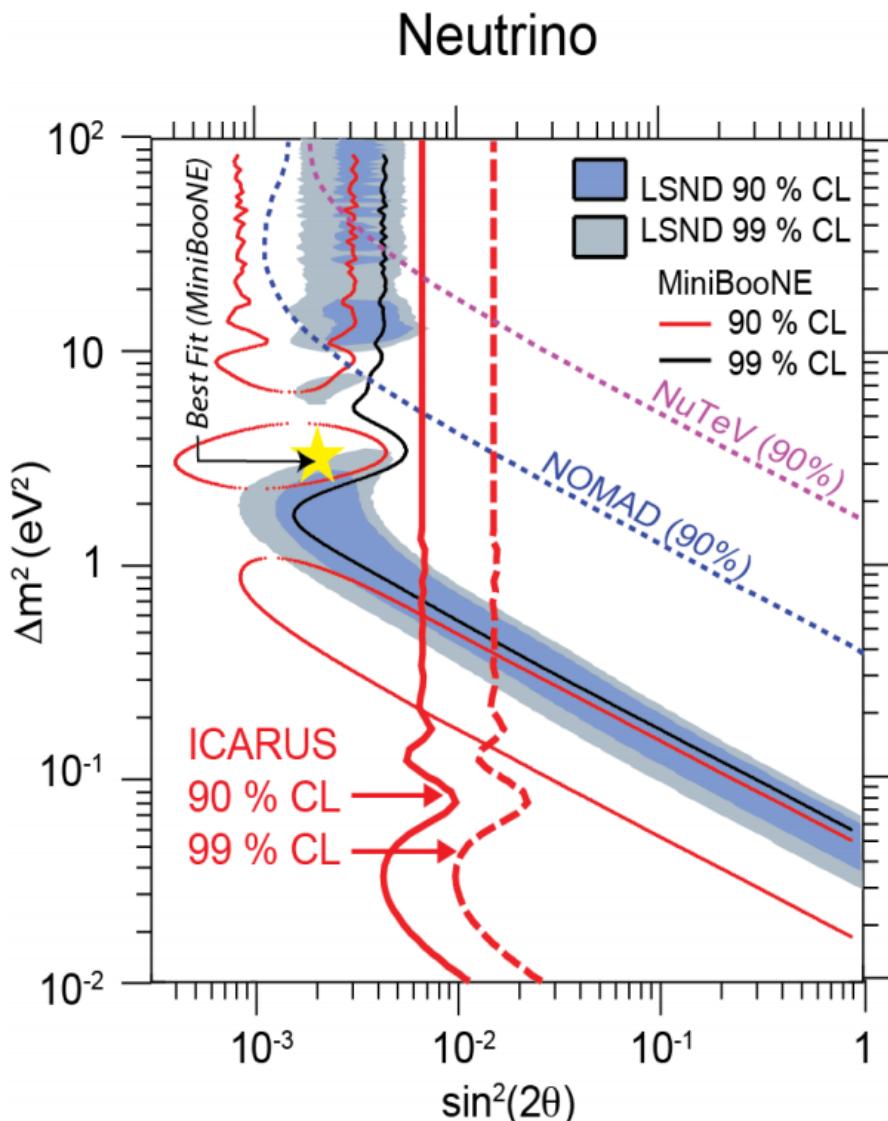
ICARUS results on the LSND-anomaly search (double statistics)

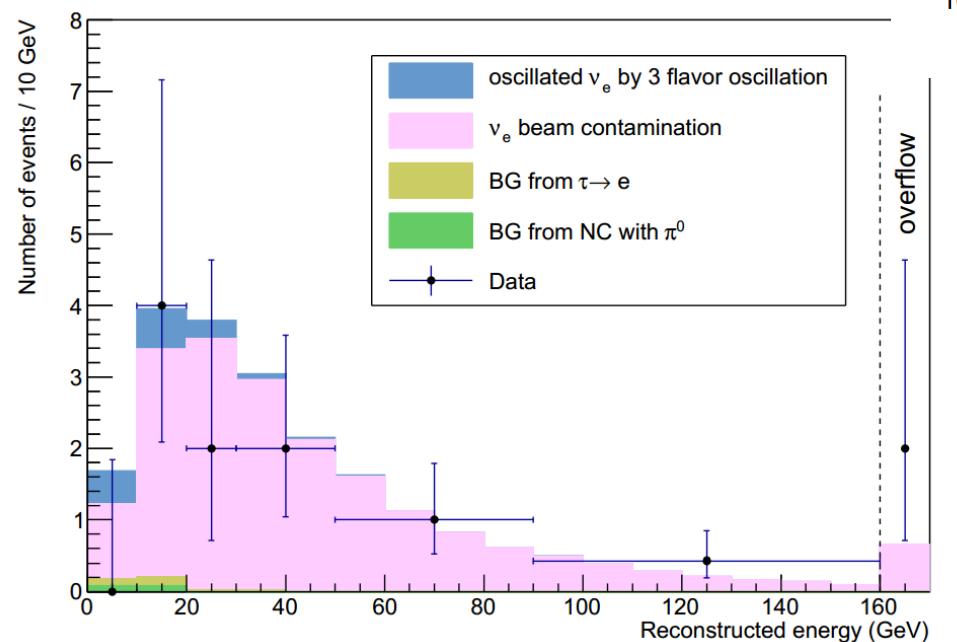
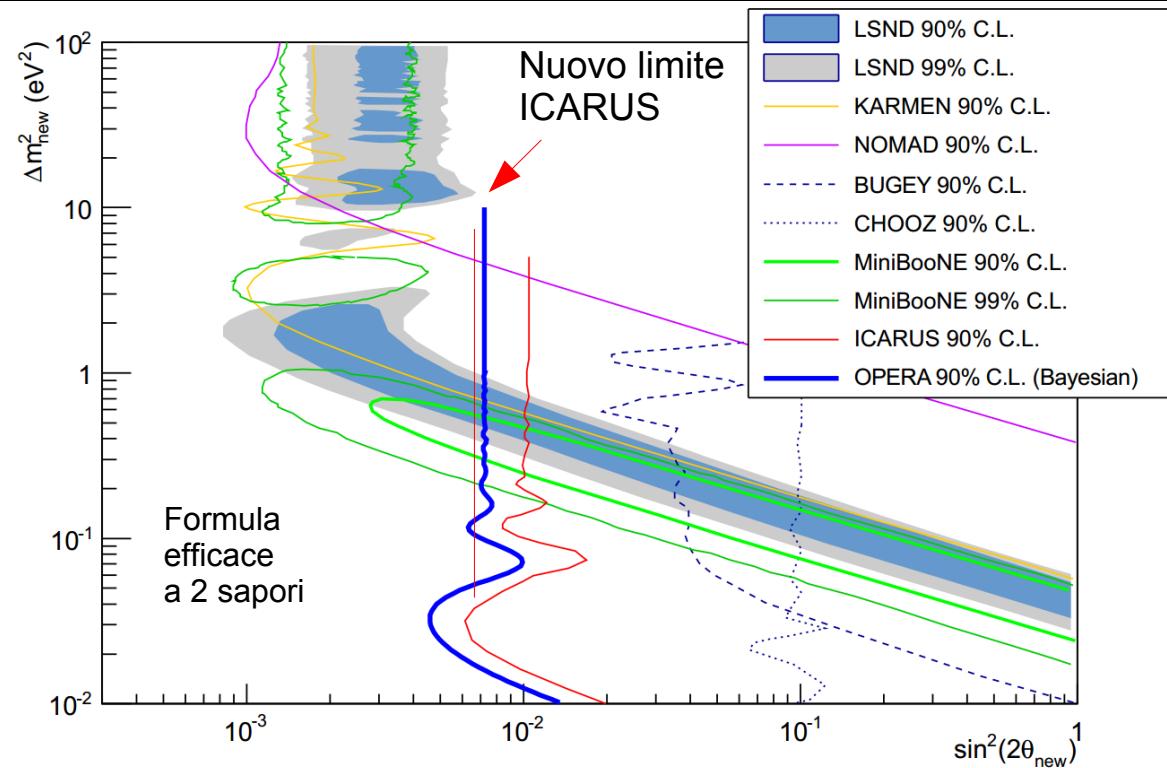
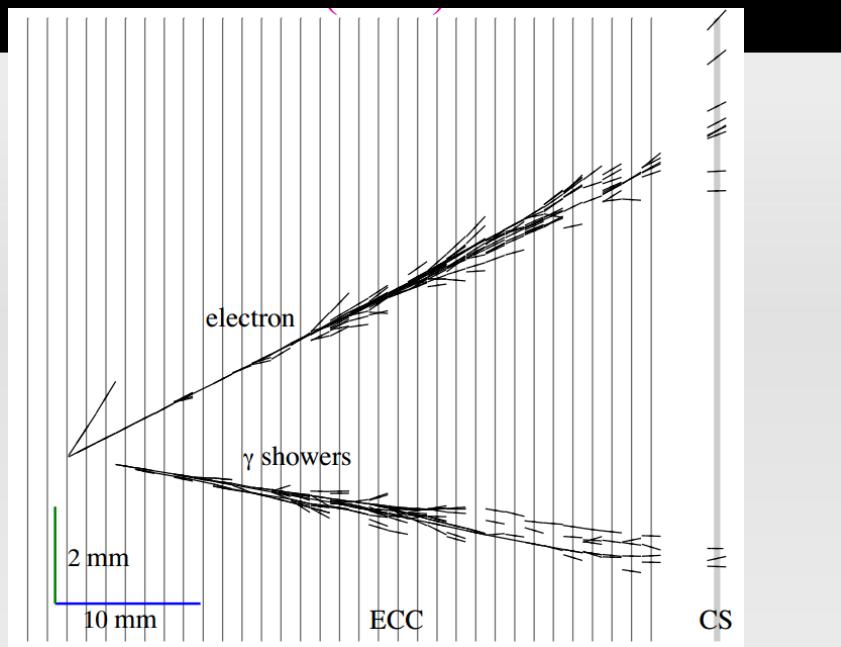
Within the present observation,
our results is consistent with the
absence of the LSND anomaly.

Weighting for efficiency, our
limits on the number of events
due to LSND anomaly are:
3.68 (90% CL) and
8.34 (99% CL).

which give the limits on oscillation
probabilities:

$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \leq 3.4 \times 10^{-3}$ (90% CL);
 $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \leq 7.6 \times 10^{-3}$ (99% CL).





505 interazioni senza muoni identificati
(~ metà della statistica finale)

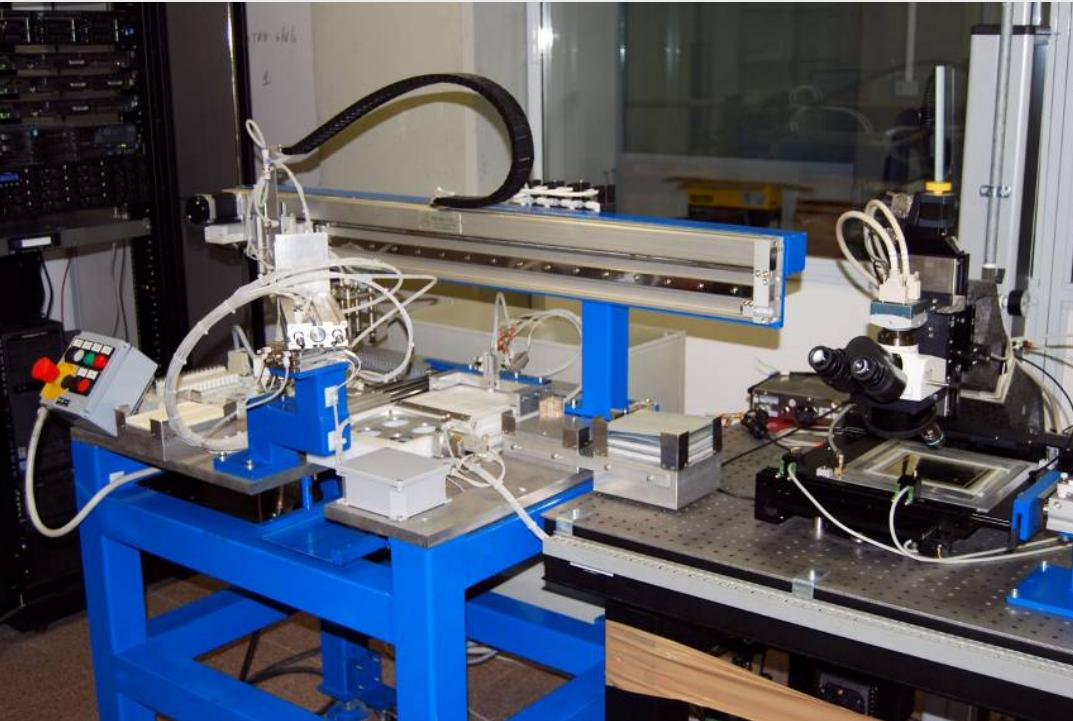
	$E < 20 \text{ GeV}$	
Candidati ν_e	19	4
Fondo atteso	$19.8 \pm 2.8 \text{ (sys.)}$	4.6

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\text{NEW}} < 7.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (90% CL)}$$

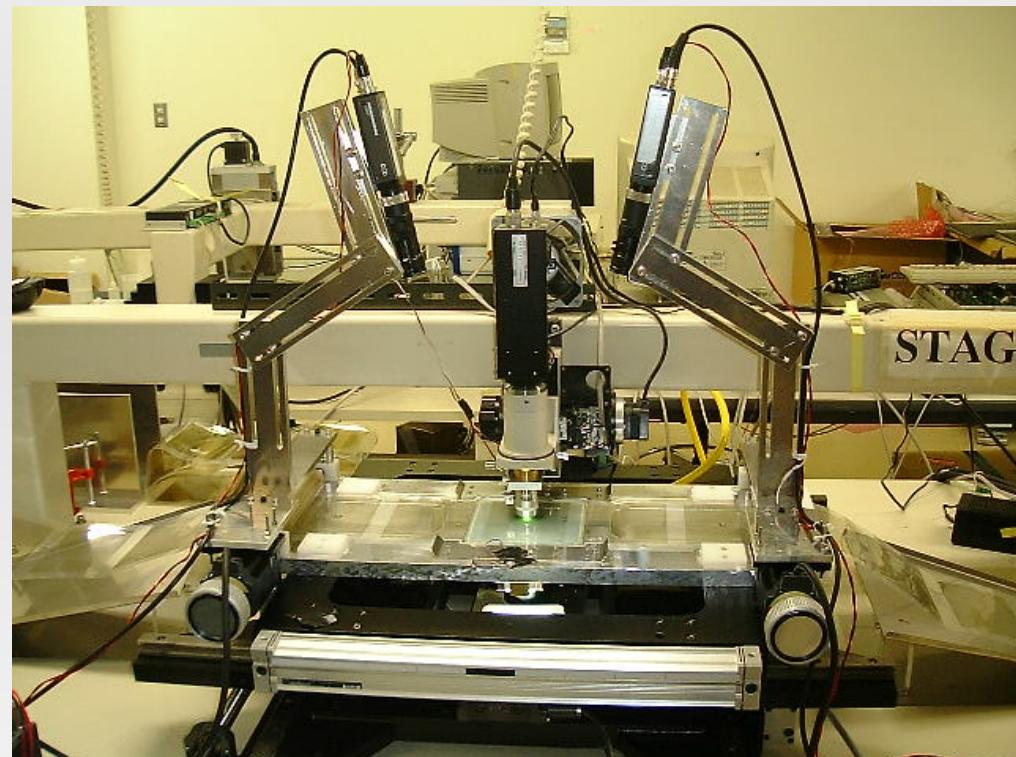
$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.44 \text{ (90% CL)}$$

Auxiliary systems to automate the scan-back procedure

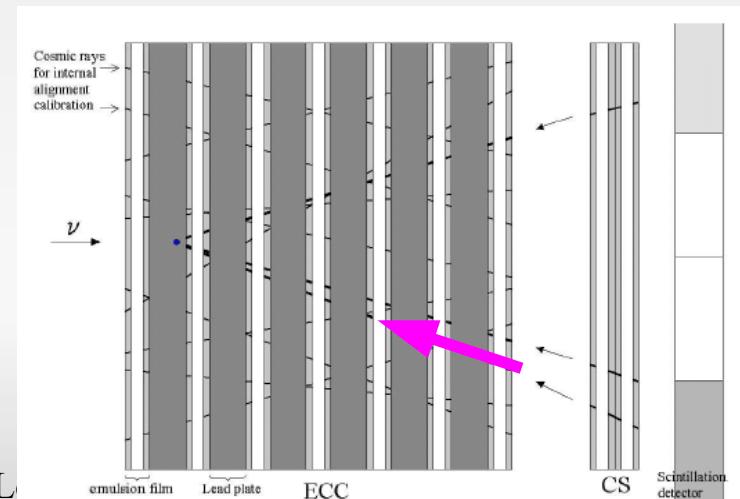
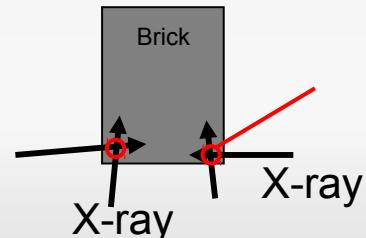
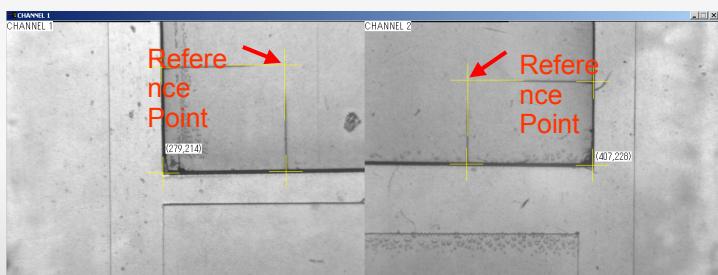
Europe: mechanical plate changer



Japan- emulsion glued to a rolling strip



Allows to run the scan-back procedure without human intervention (i.e. overnight)



Target
Trackers

μ spectrometer

Pb/Em.
target

V

8 m

A "hybrid" detector

Electronic detectors

detect ν interaction, brick finding

μ -ID, Q and p : bckg suppression

based on the only proven technology (DONUT) to identify ν_τ on an event-by-event basis (nucl.emuls.&lead driven by real time detectors). A major engineering achievement: brought such technology to an immense size (1.25 kton)

The OPERA way

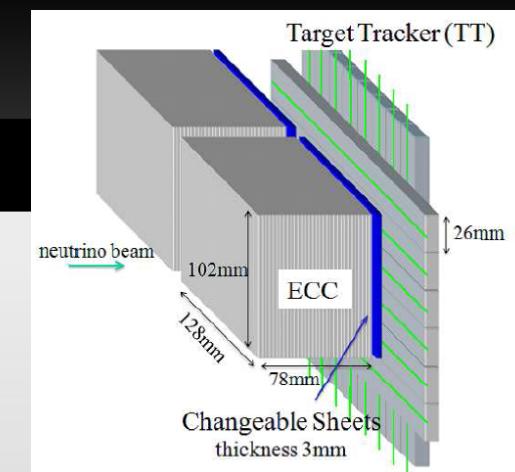
Extract bricks according to electronic det. prediction

Pb/Em. brick

ECC

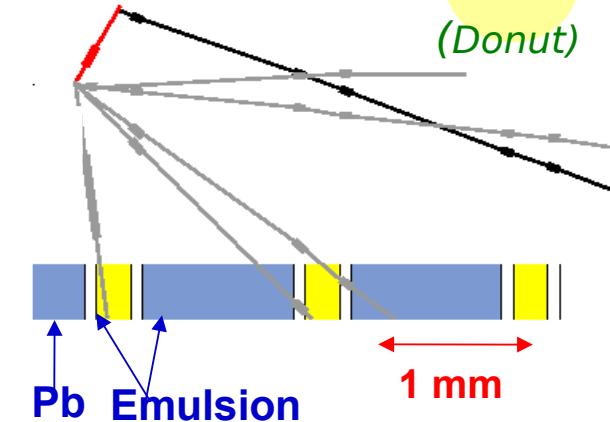
8 cm

1 cm



Basic "cell"

ν_τ
(Donut)



Emulsion detectors:

modular structure of 150000 ECCs

mass industrial production with high standards

FAST-AUTOMATIC scanning

vertex search, decay search, e/ μ ID, event kinematics

~10 M

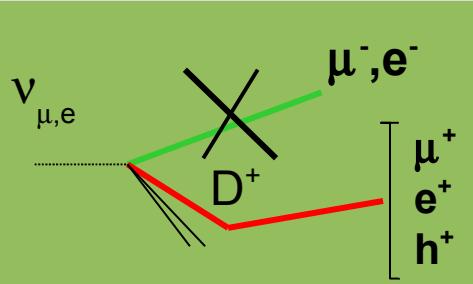


Caratterizzazione dei fondi

Per importanza decrescente

CC con produzione di charm

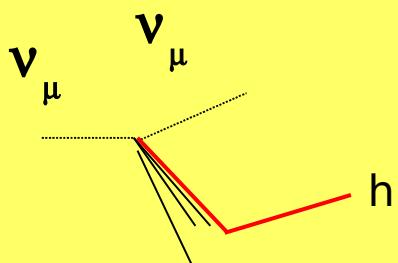
(tutti i canali)
SE leptone primario non identificato e carica del figlio non misurata



Misure di CHORUS, campione di eventi di charm al CNGS

Interazioni adroniche

Fondo per $\tau \rightarrow h$

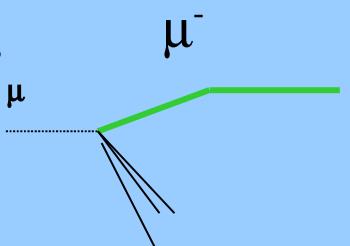


FLUKA + dati da test beam di brick esposti a pioni

Diffusione Coulombiana ad alto angolo

dei μ nel Pb

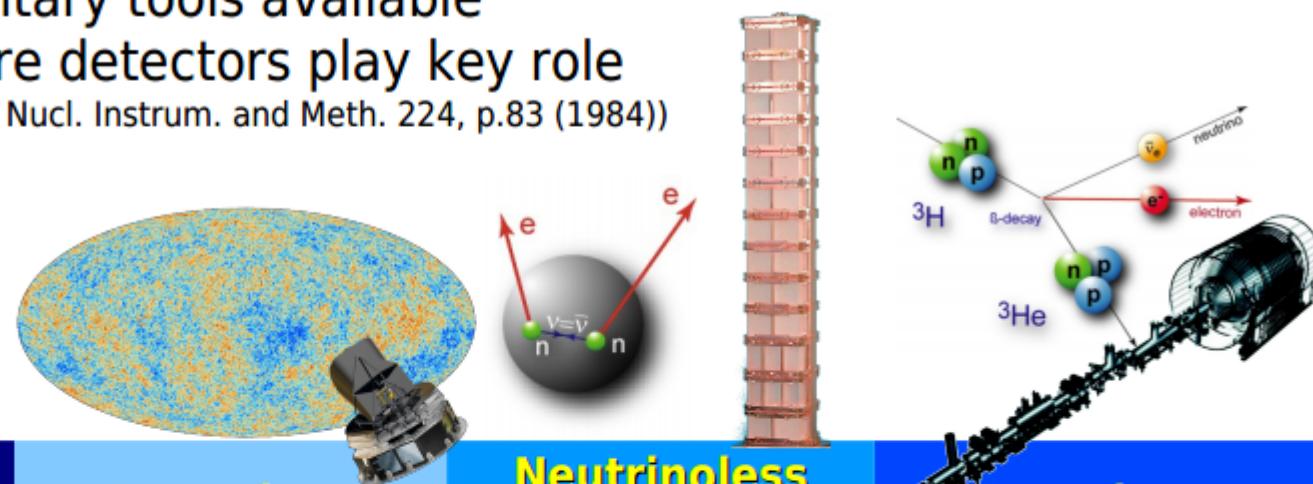
Fondo al $\tau \rightarrow \mu$



Misure in letteratura sul fattore di forma del Pb, simulazioni e test-beam dedicati (in corso)

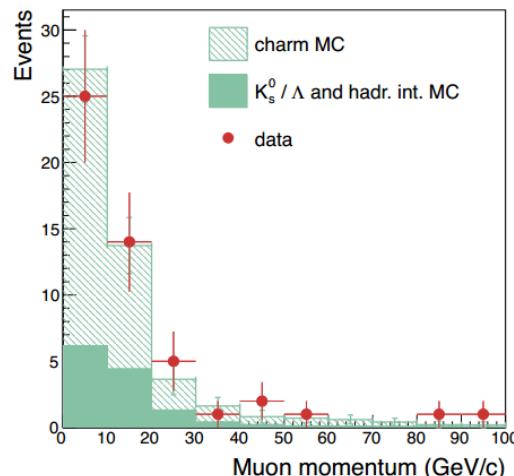
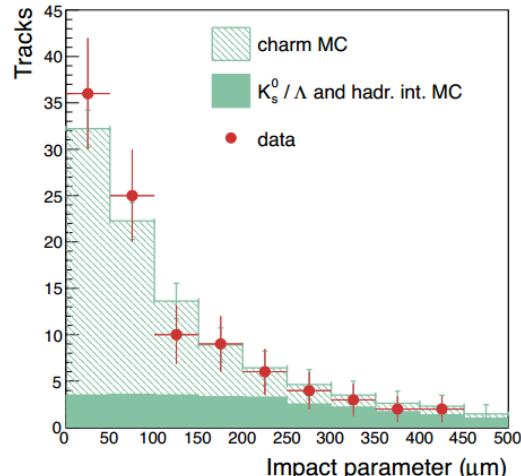
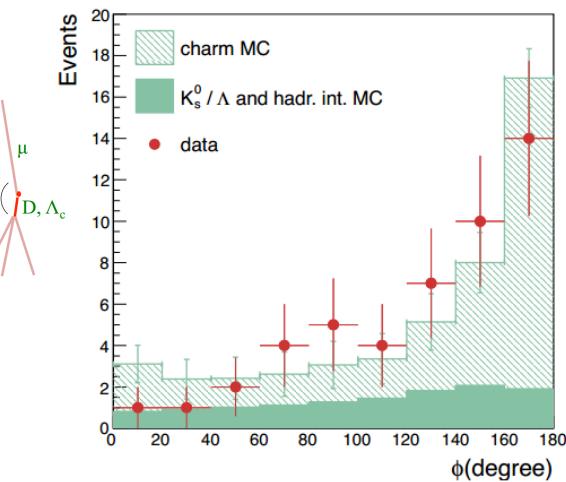
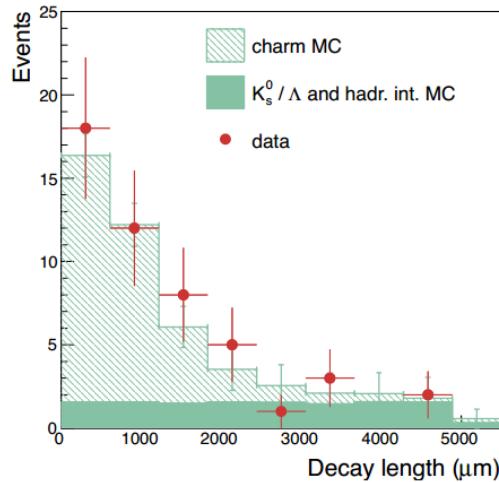
Experimental tools / 1

three complementary tools available
→ low temperature detectors play key role
(E. Fiorini and T. Niinikoski, Nucl. Instrum. and Meth. 224, p.83 (1984))



tool	Cosmology CMB+LSS+...	Neutrinoless Double Beta decay	Beta decay end-point
observable	$m_{\Sigma} = \sum_k m_{\nu_k}$	$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_k m_{\nu_k} U_{ek} ^2$	$m_{\beta} = (\sum_k m_{\nu_k}^2 U_{ek} ^2)^{1/2}$
present sensitivity	≈ 0.1 eV	≈ 0.1 eV	2 eV
future sensitivity	0.01 eV	0.01 eV	0.2 eV
model dependency	yes ☹	yes ☹	no ☺
systematics	large ☹	yes ☺	large ☹

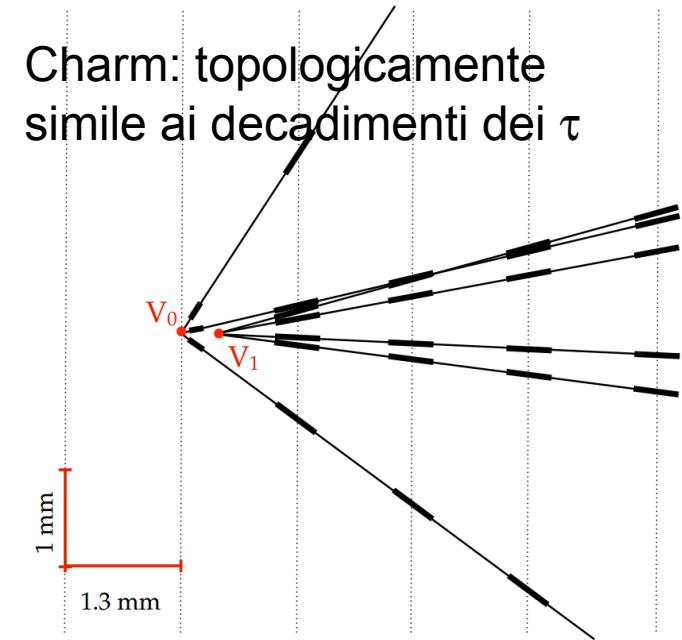
OPERA: validazione Monte Carlo su campioni di controllo



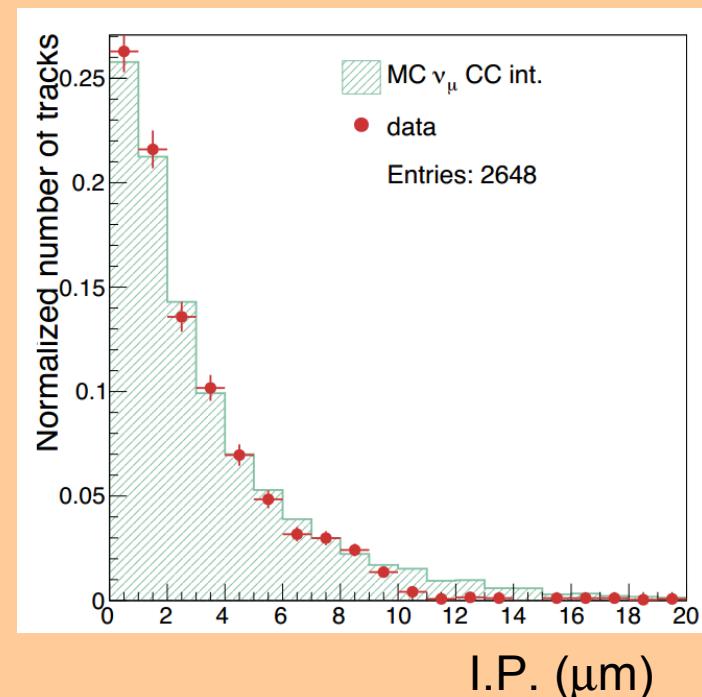
Controllo efficienze, descrizione delle variabili cinematiche, fondo da charm.

54 ± 4 attesi $\leftrightarrow 50$ osservati

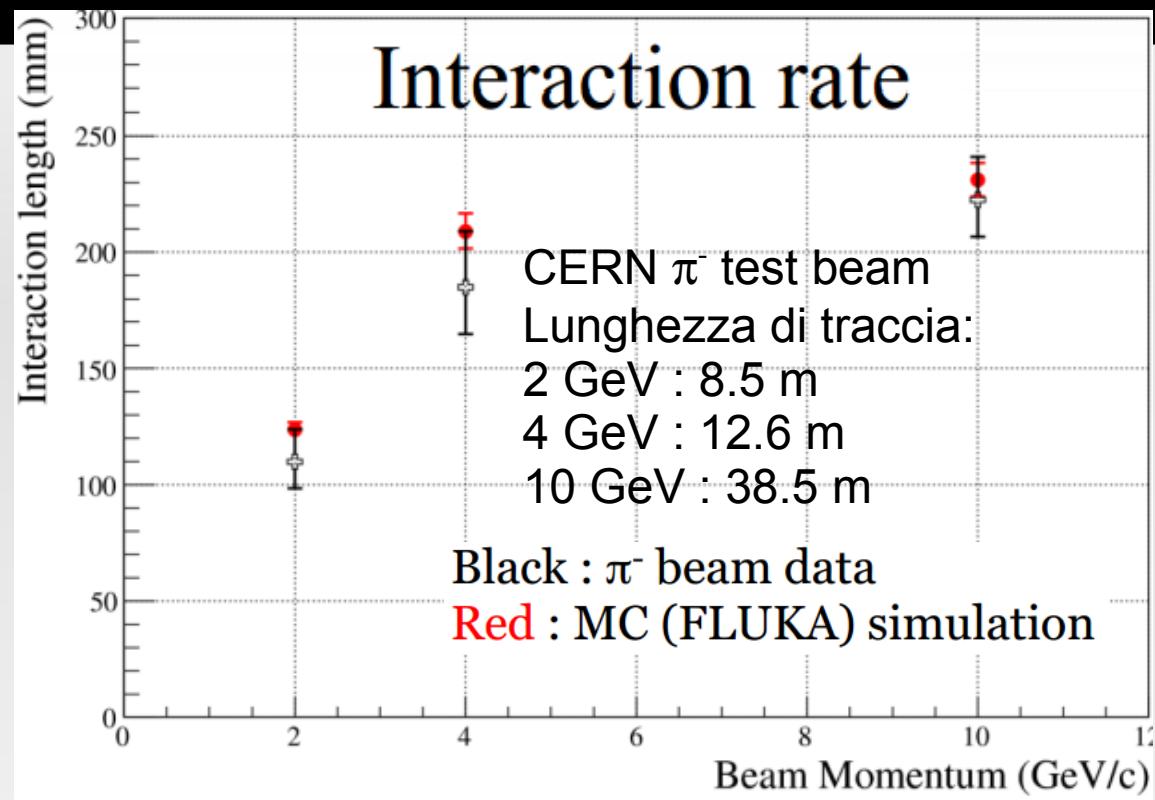
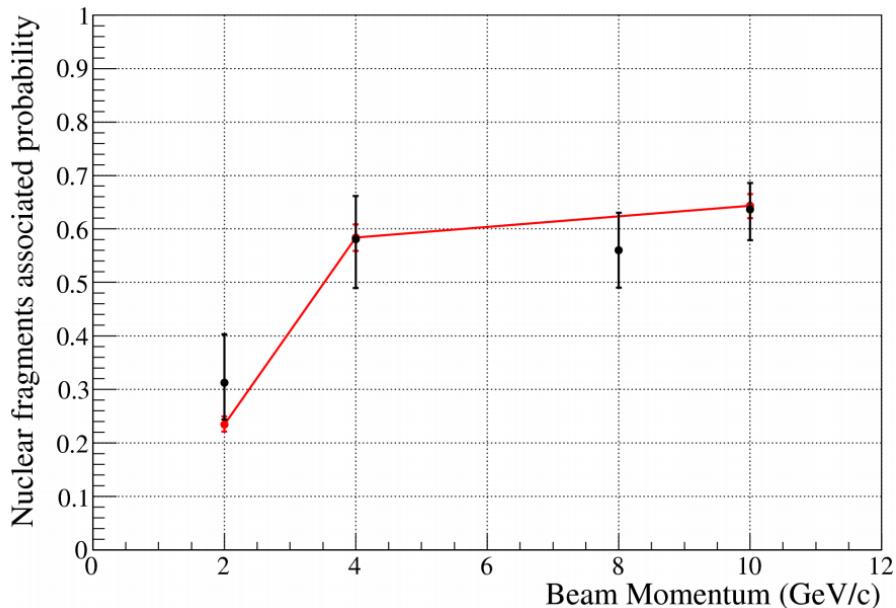
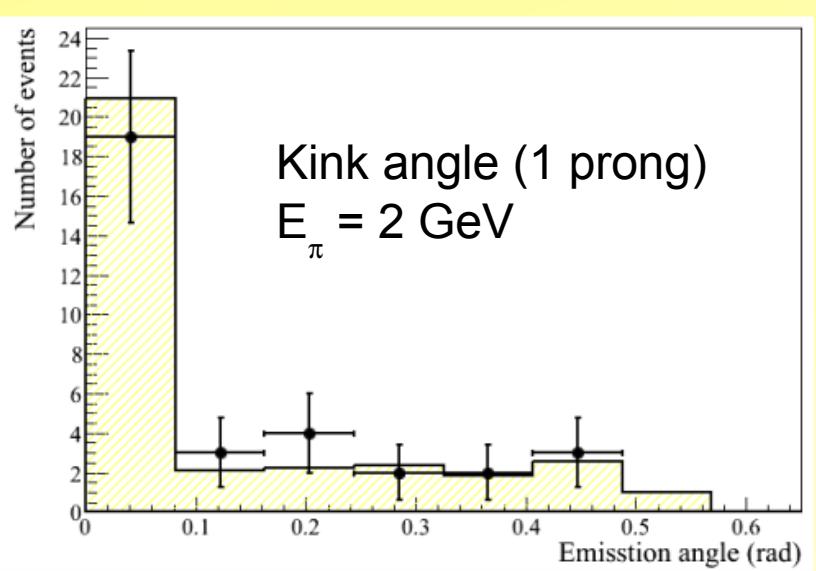
Charm: topologicamente simile ai decadimenti dei τ



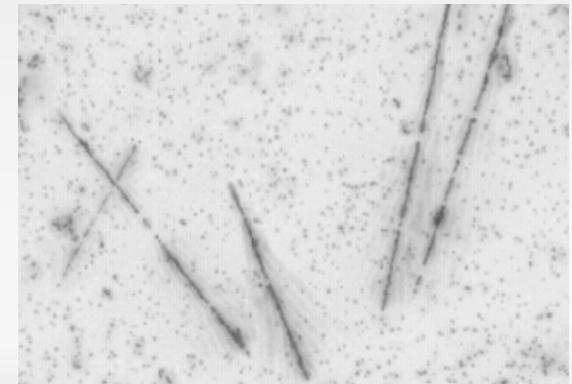
Data-MC per il parametro d'impatto delle tracce in eventi ν_μ CC



OPERA: validazione fondo adronico

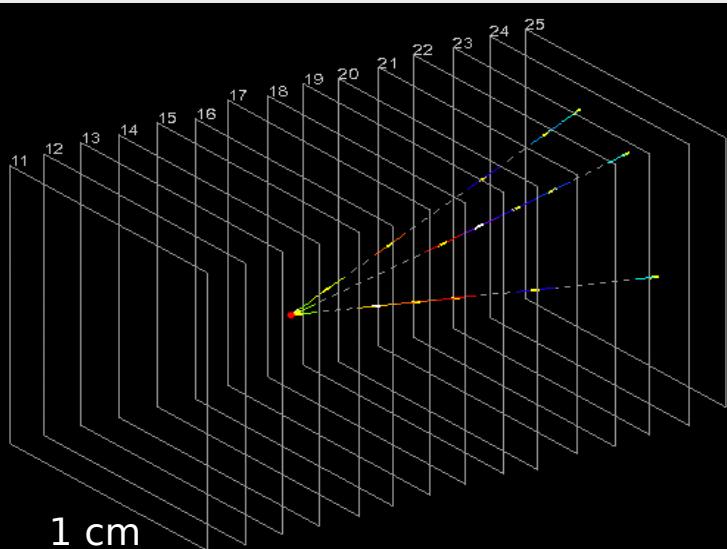


Probabilita` di
emissione di
frammenti nucleari
(smoking gun per
distinguere
un'interazione da un
decadimento!)



Efficienza di localizzazione

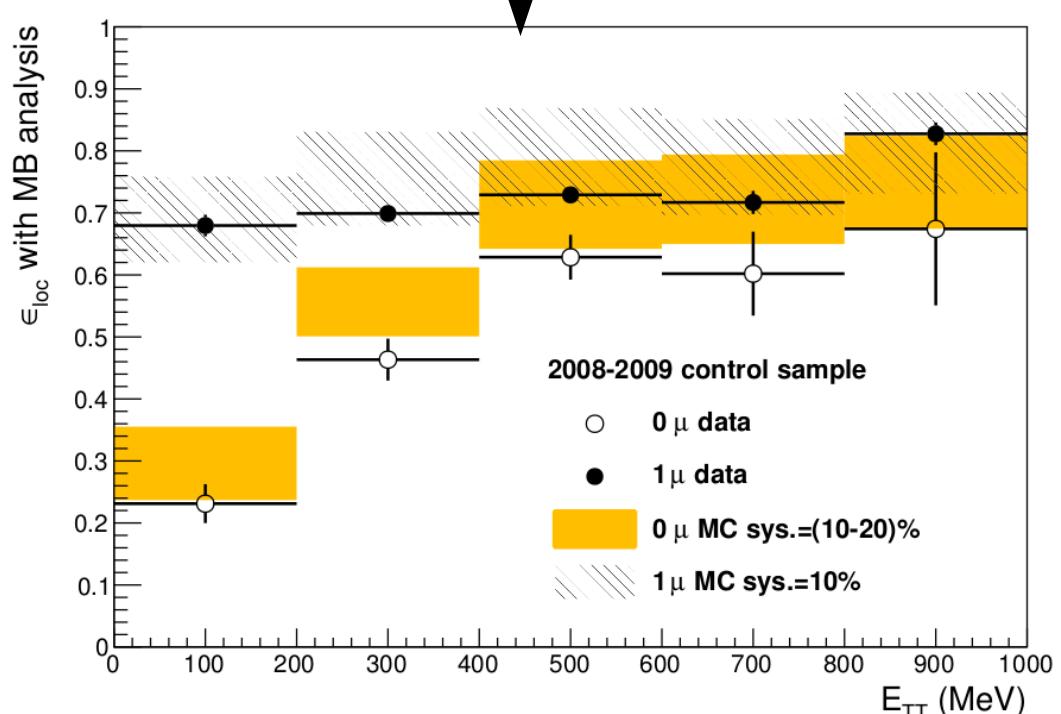
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Rivelatore ibrido: simulazione complessa! Ragionevole accordo. →

Le predizioni per segnale e fondi sono normalizzati ai campioni 0μ e 1μ osservati nei dati e non sulle efficienze della simulazione.

Confronto dati-Monte Carlo per l'efficienza di localizzazione in funzione dell'energia nel target tracker per il campioni 0μ e 1μ .



Il fascio CNGS per l'“appearance”

$\langle E_\nu \rangle$ **17 GeV**

$L / \langle E_\nu \rangle$ **43 km/GeV**

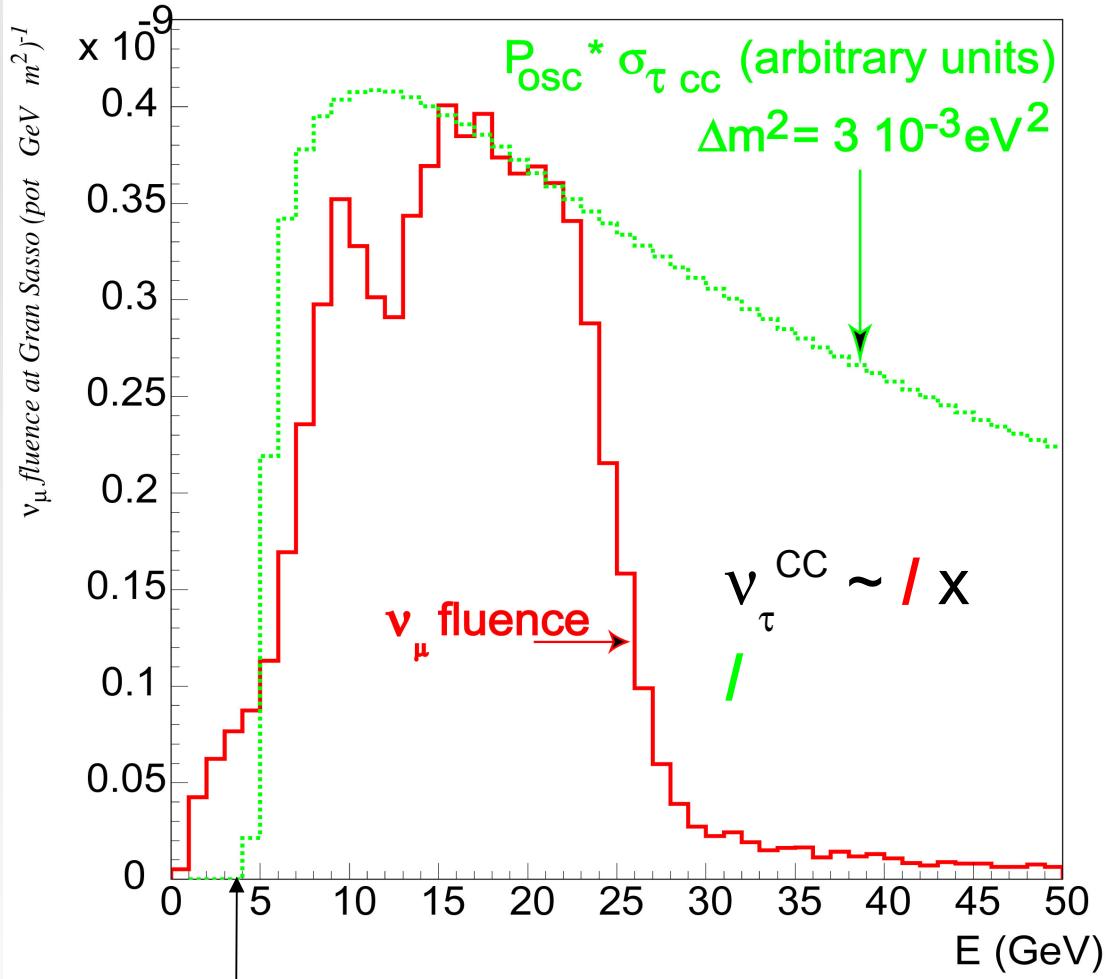
Il picco di oscillazione per $L = 732$ km cade a ~ 1.5 GeV (vedi NuMI) ma il goal e' la produzione di τ
 → sbilanciamento a energie piu' alte

$$N(\tau) \sim \text{Pr}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau) \times \sigma_{\nu(\tau)\text{CC}}(E) \times \text{flux}$$

$(\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e) / \nu_\mu$	0.9 %
$\bar{\nu}_\mu / \nu_\mu$	2.1 %
ν_τ prompt (da D_s)	trascurabili

(simulazione FLUKA)

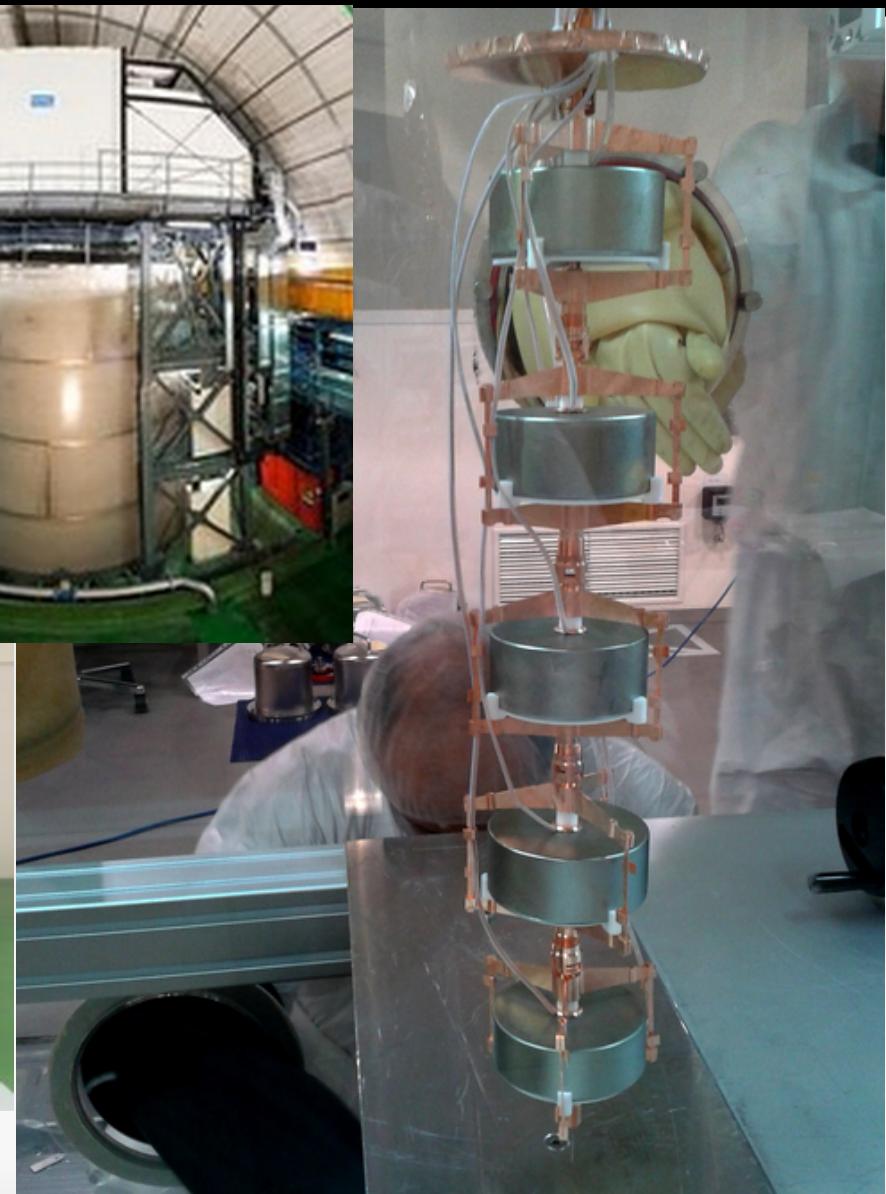
DESIGN: $4.5 \cdot 10^{19}$ pot/year, 200 days/y per 5 y



Soglia produzione τ a ~ 3.5 GeV.
 Salita lenta.

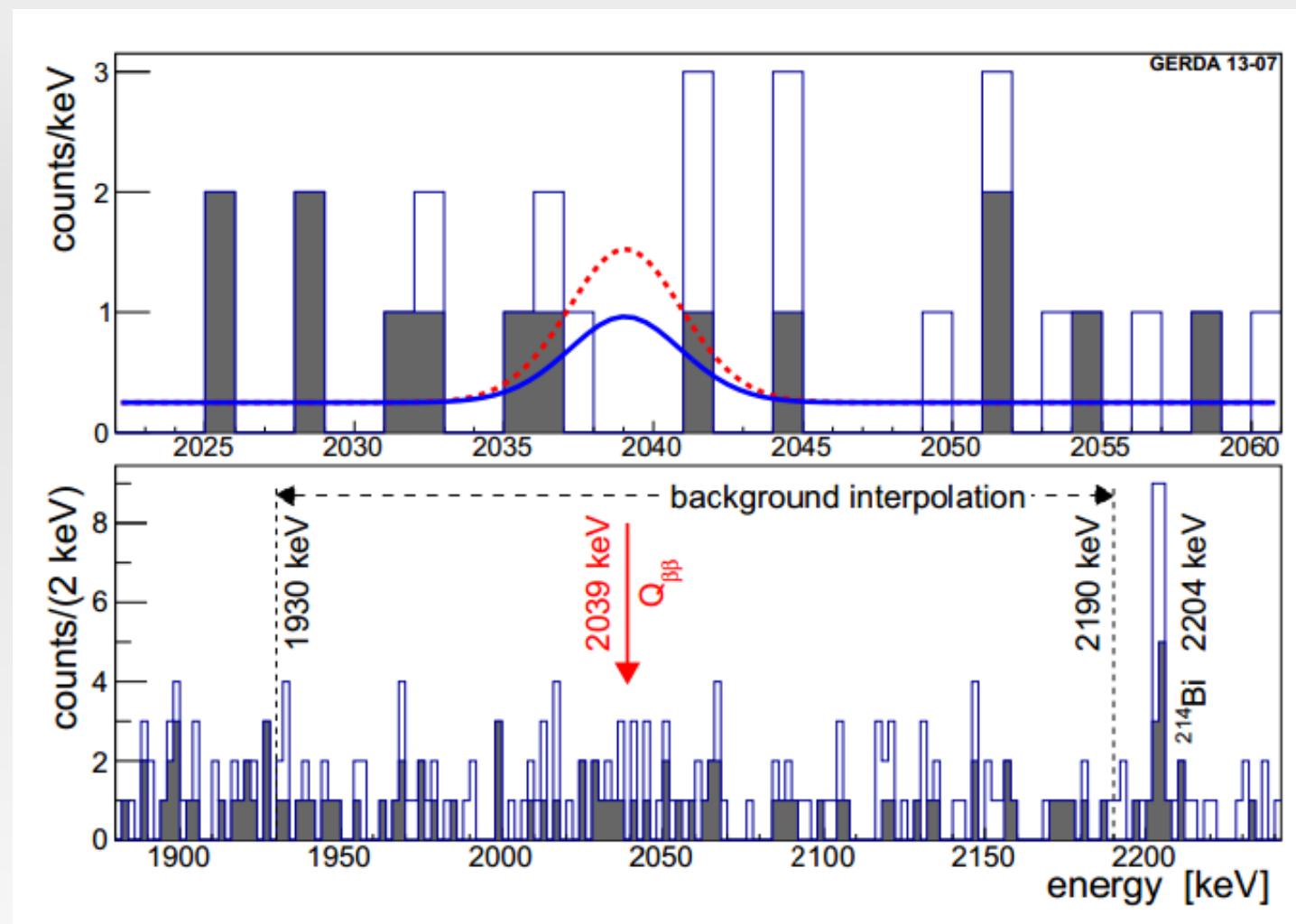
The GERDA experiment on ^{76}Ge $0\nu\beta\beta$

Running at LNGS



Charge deposition in high purity Germanium crystals
enriched in the ^{76}Ge isotope

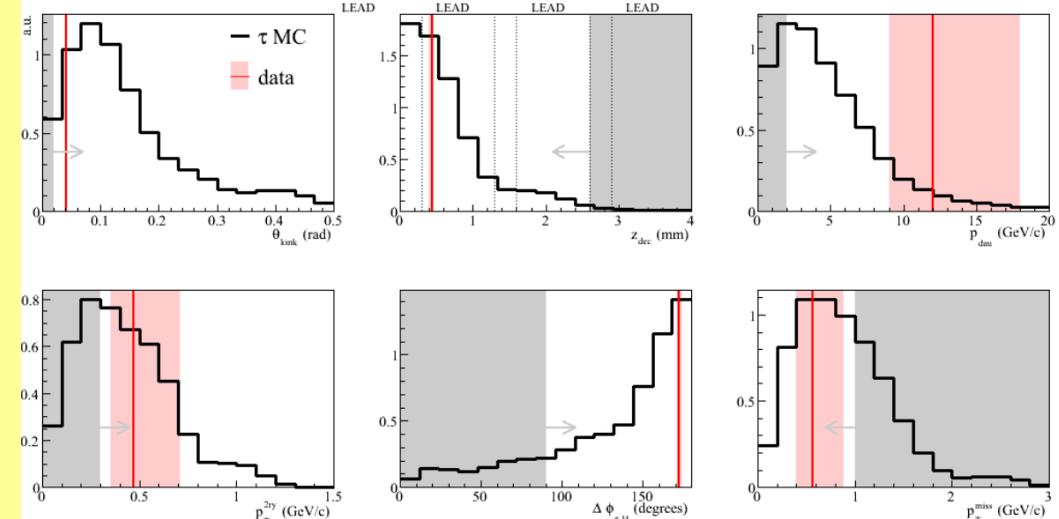
The GERDA experiment on ${}^{76}\text{Ge}$ $0\nu\beta\beta$



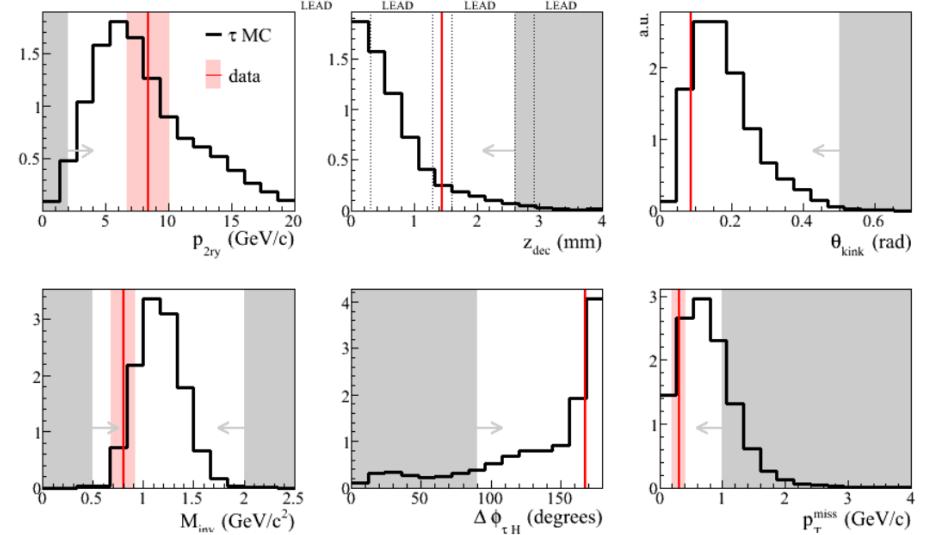
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.1 \cdot 10^{25} \text{ yr} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.})$$

Variabili cinematiche per i quattro candidati

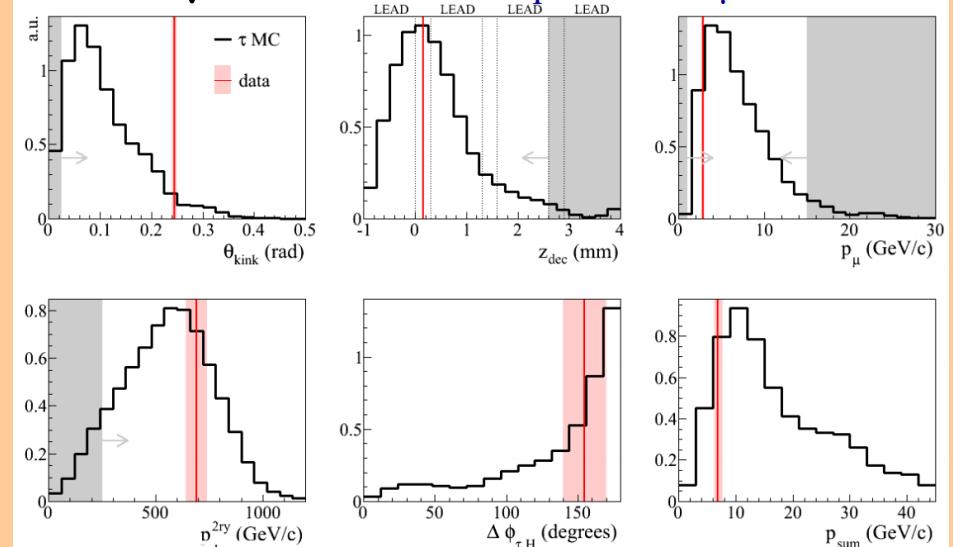
$\tau \rightarrow 1h$



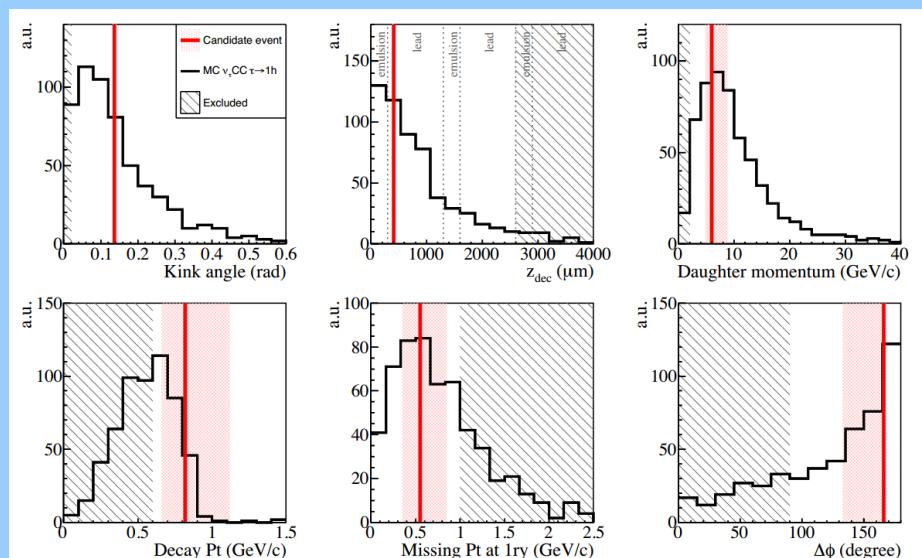
$\tau \rightarrow 3h$



$\tau \rightarrow \mu$

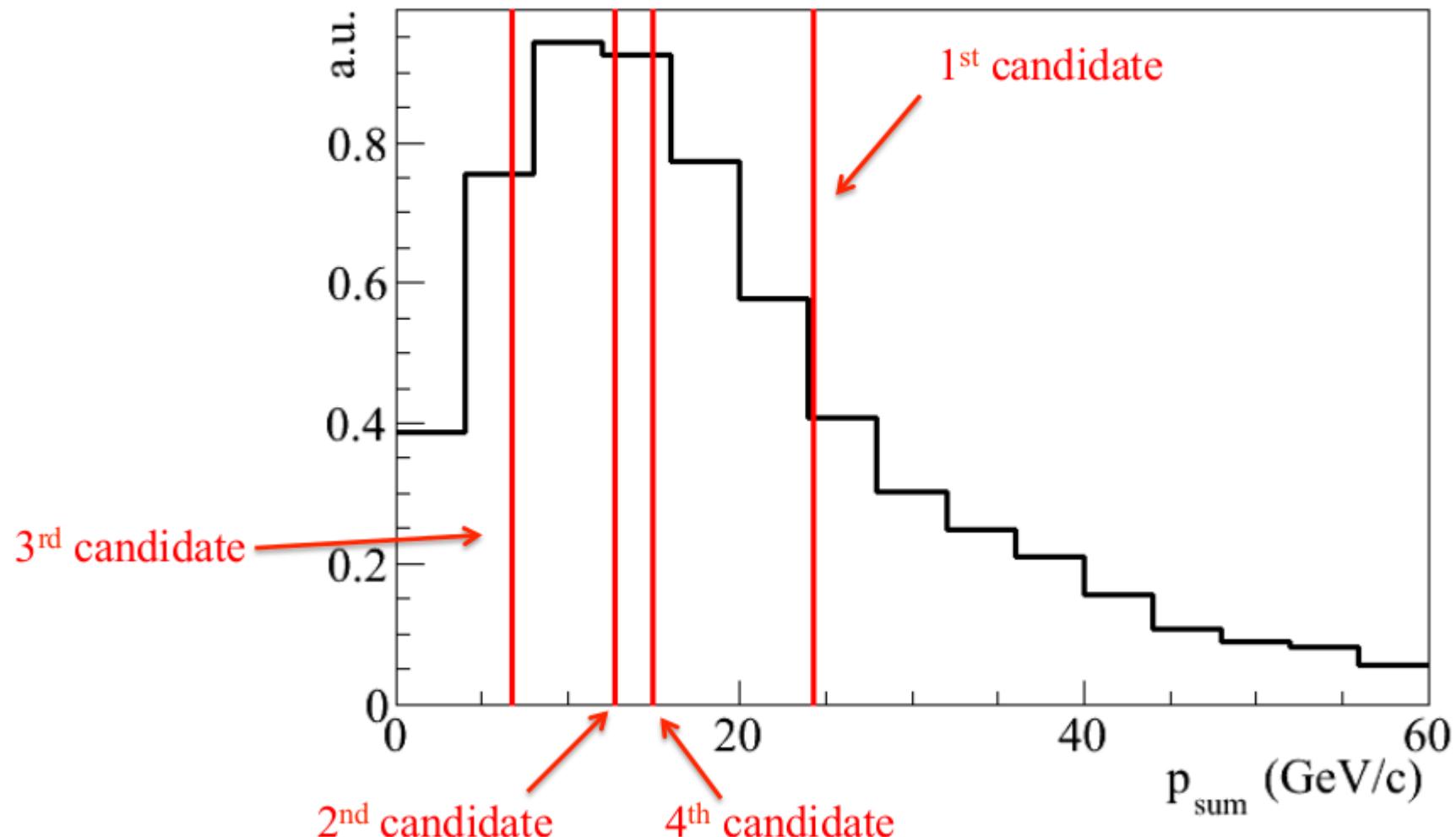


$\tau \rightarrow 1h$



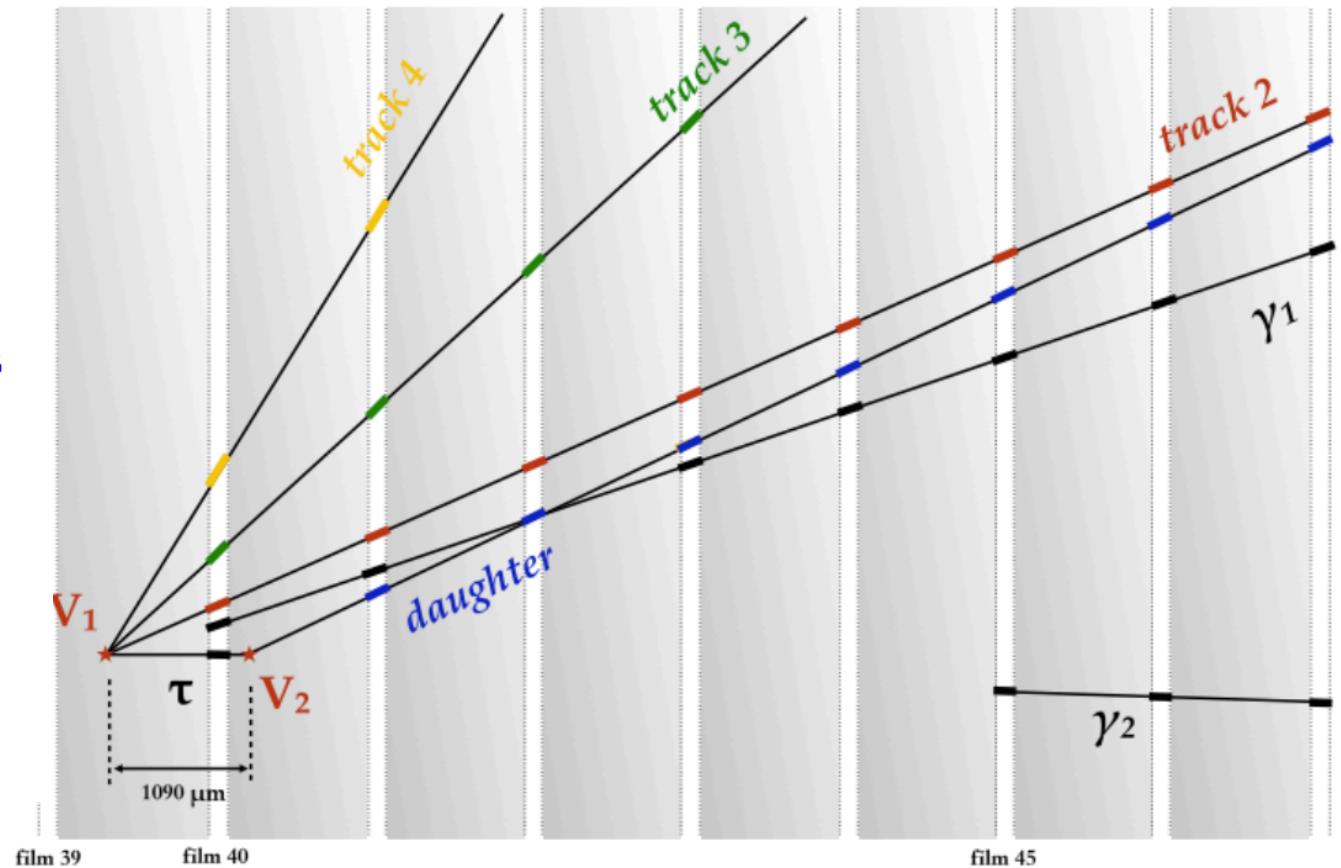
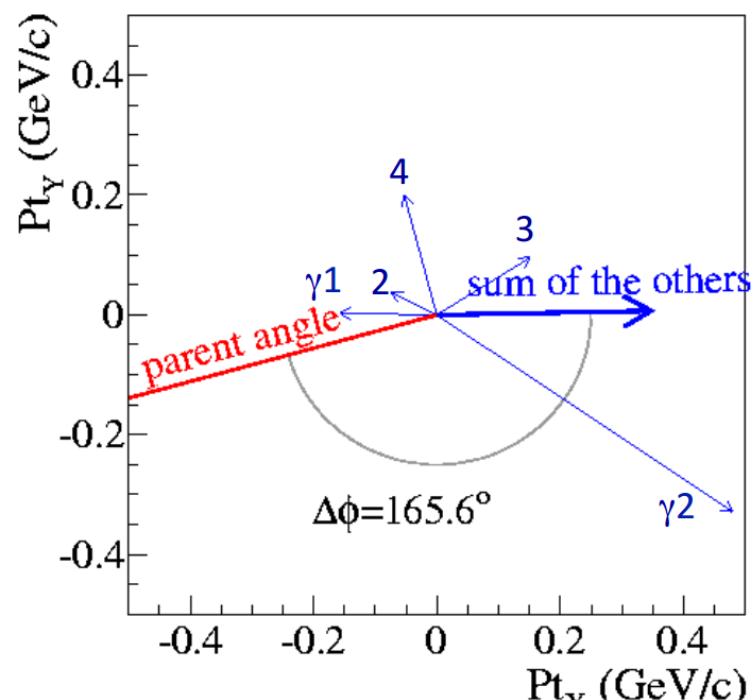
Visible energy of all the candidates

Sum of the momenta of charged particles and γ 's measured in emulsion



Vista schematica a bilanciamento in pT

Transverse plane



Il rivelatore vicino (280 m)

ND280 (off-axis)

Misura flusso ν_μ e ν_e e sezioni d'urto

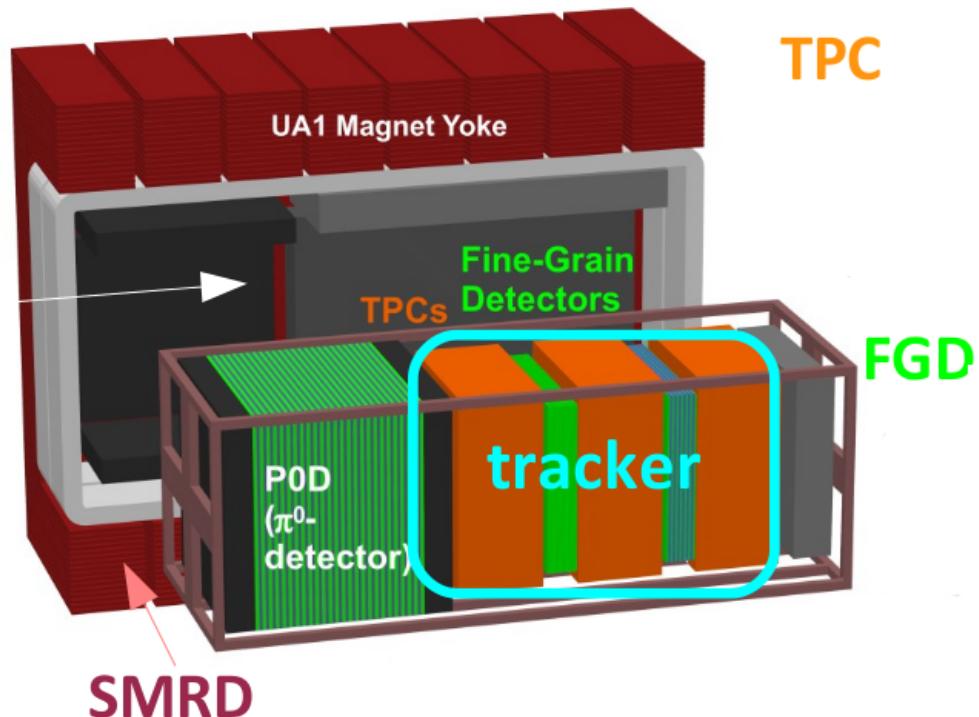
Magnete $B = 0.2$ T

TPC: misura impulso e particle-ID con il dE/dx

FGD: Fine grained detectors (2×0.8 t):

rivelazione del protone

SMRD: misura del range dei muoni

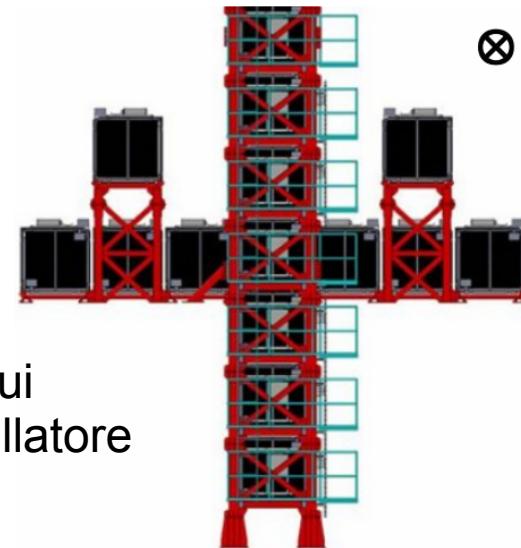


P0D: pi-zero detector (Pb/ottone-H₂O-scintillatore)

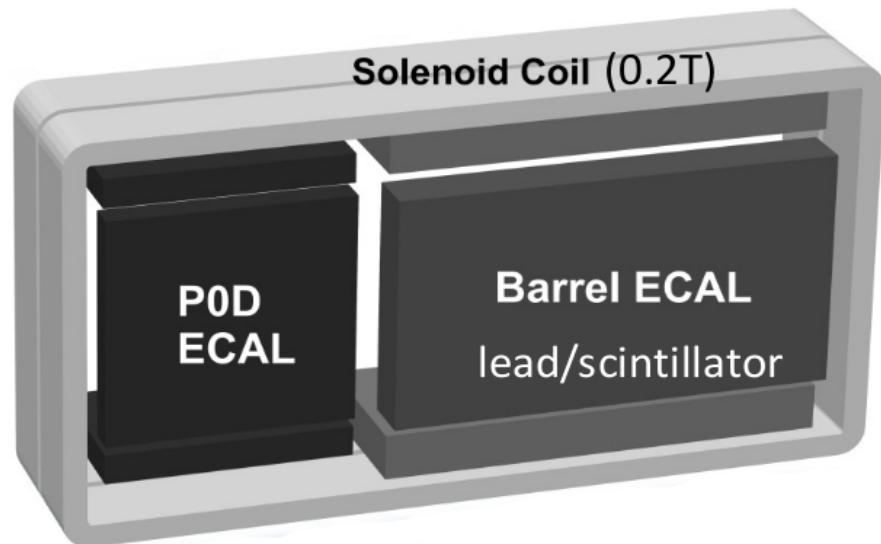
ECAL: calorimetro elettromagnetico

INGRID (on-axis)

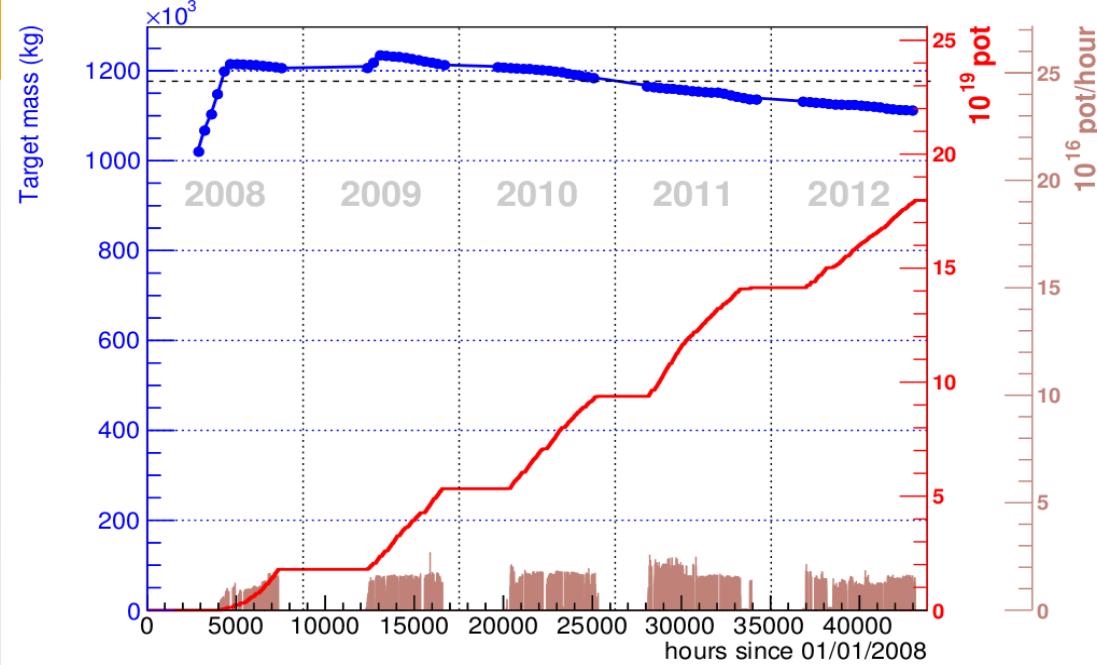
rate delle interazioni CC → profilo del fascio Calorimetri traccianti Fe/scintillatore



16 moduli di cui
1 di solo scintillatore



Campioni e avanzamento dell'analisi delle emulsioni



Year	Beam days	P.O.T. (10^{19})
2008	123	1.74
2009	155	3.53
2010	187	4.09
2011	243	4.75
2012	257	3.86
Total	965	17.97

POT \sim 80% del design (2.25×10^{20})

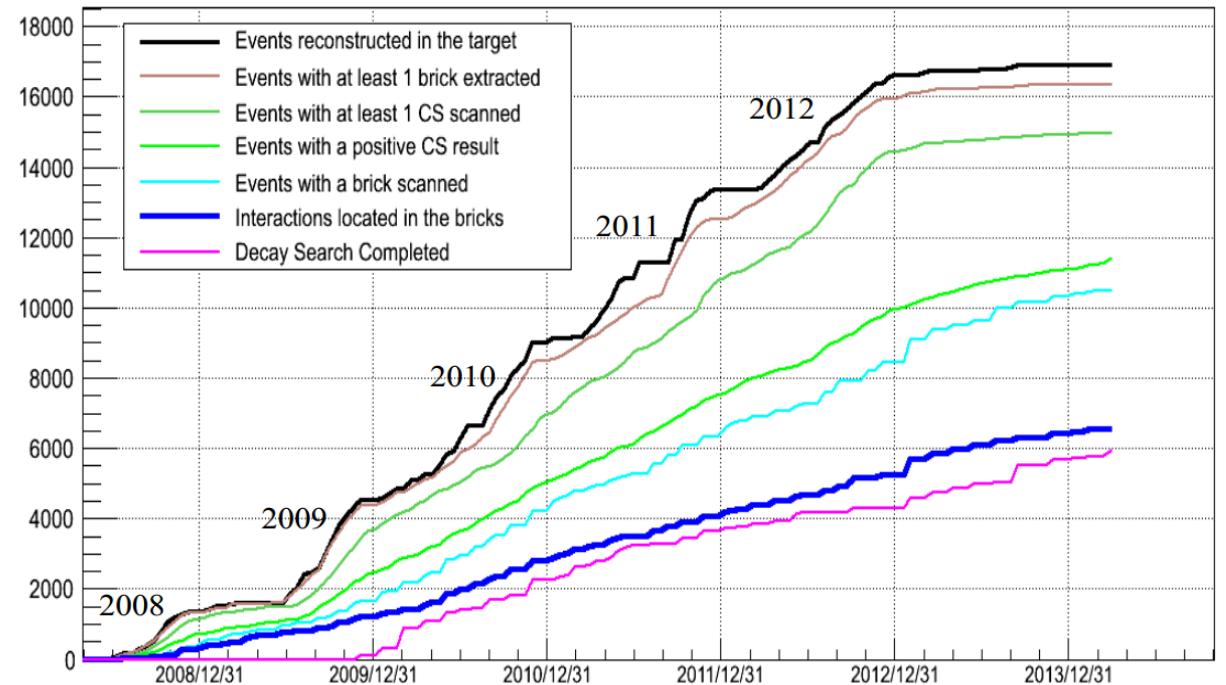
Analisi delle emulsioni:

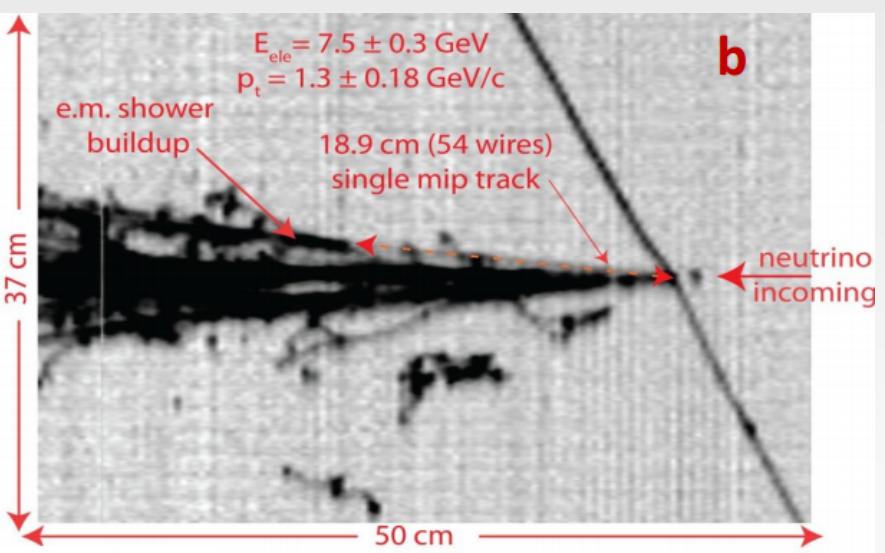
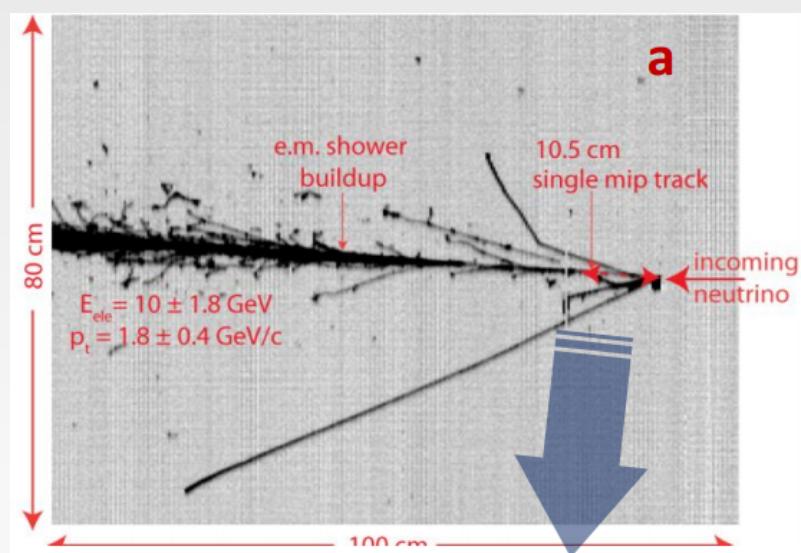
Bricks ordinati per probabilità di contenere il vertice di interazione.

2008-2009 analisi dei primi e dei secondi brick

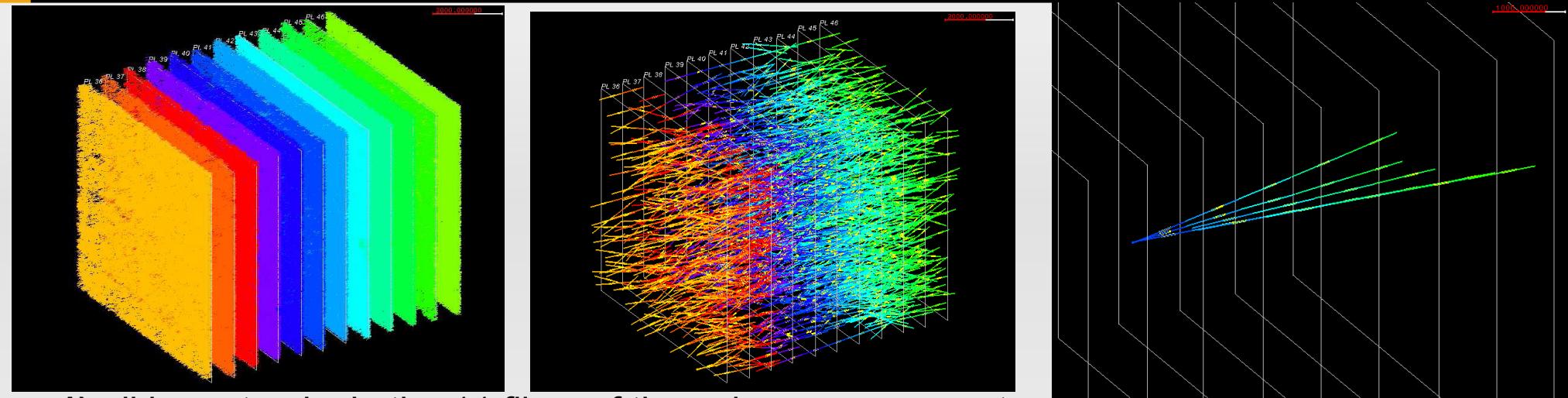
2010-2012 analisi dei "primi brick" quasi interamente completata

\sim 6000 bricks completati

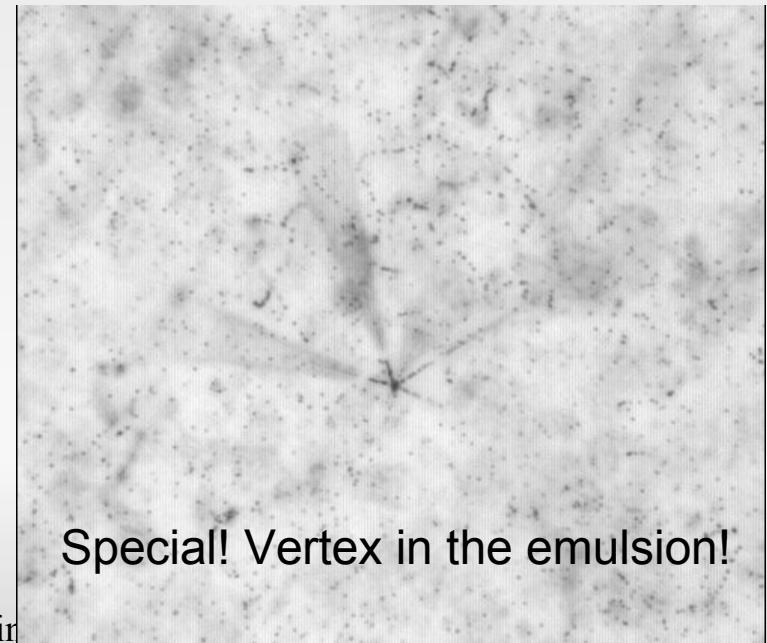
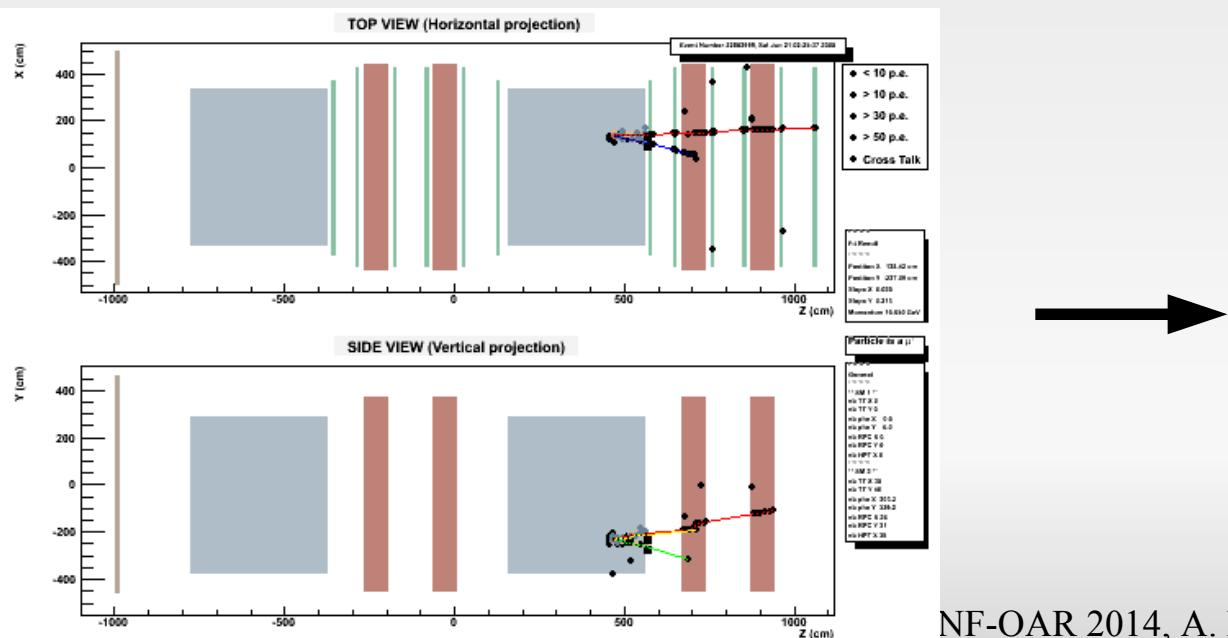




Steps of volume scanning



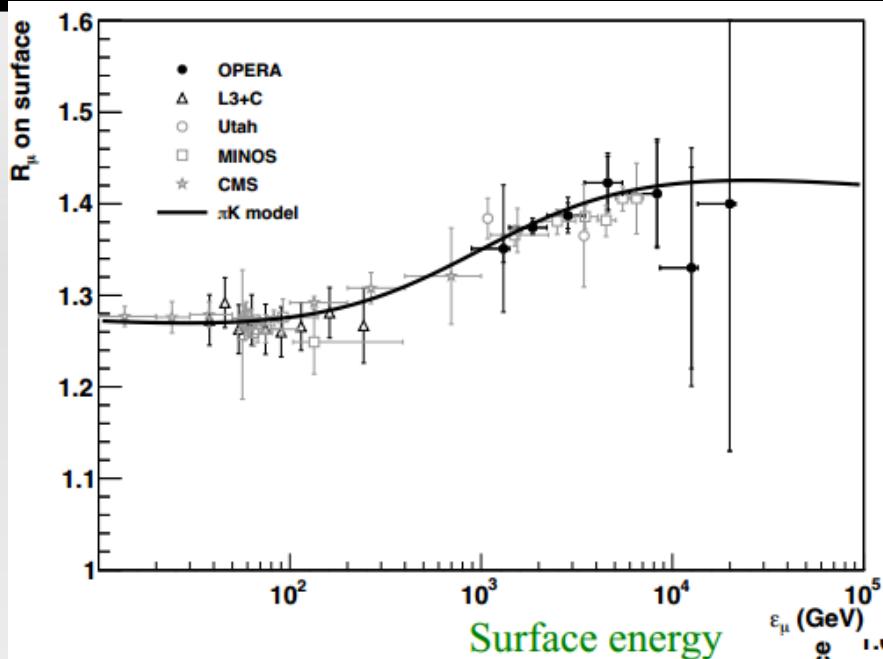
- 1) all base-tracks in the 11 films of the volume are reconstructed
- 2) they participate to the alignment process from which tracks are reconstructed
- 3) passing-through tracks are discarded and the vertexing algorithm reconstructs the vertex.



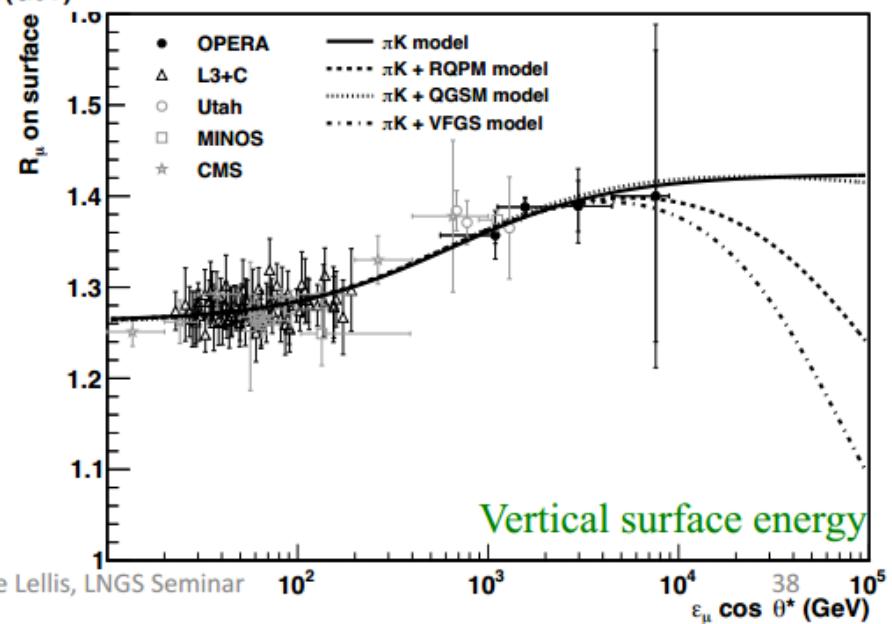
Cosmic-ray physics

Measurement of TeV atmospheric
muon charge ratio

arXiv:1403.0244



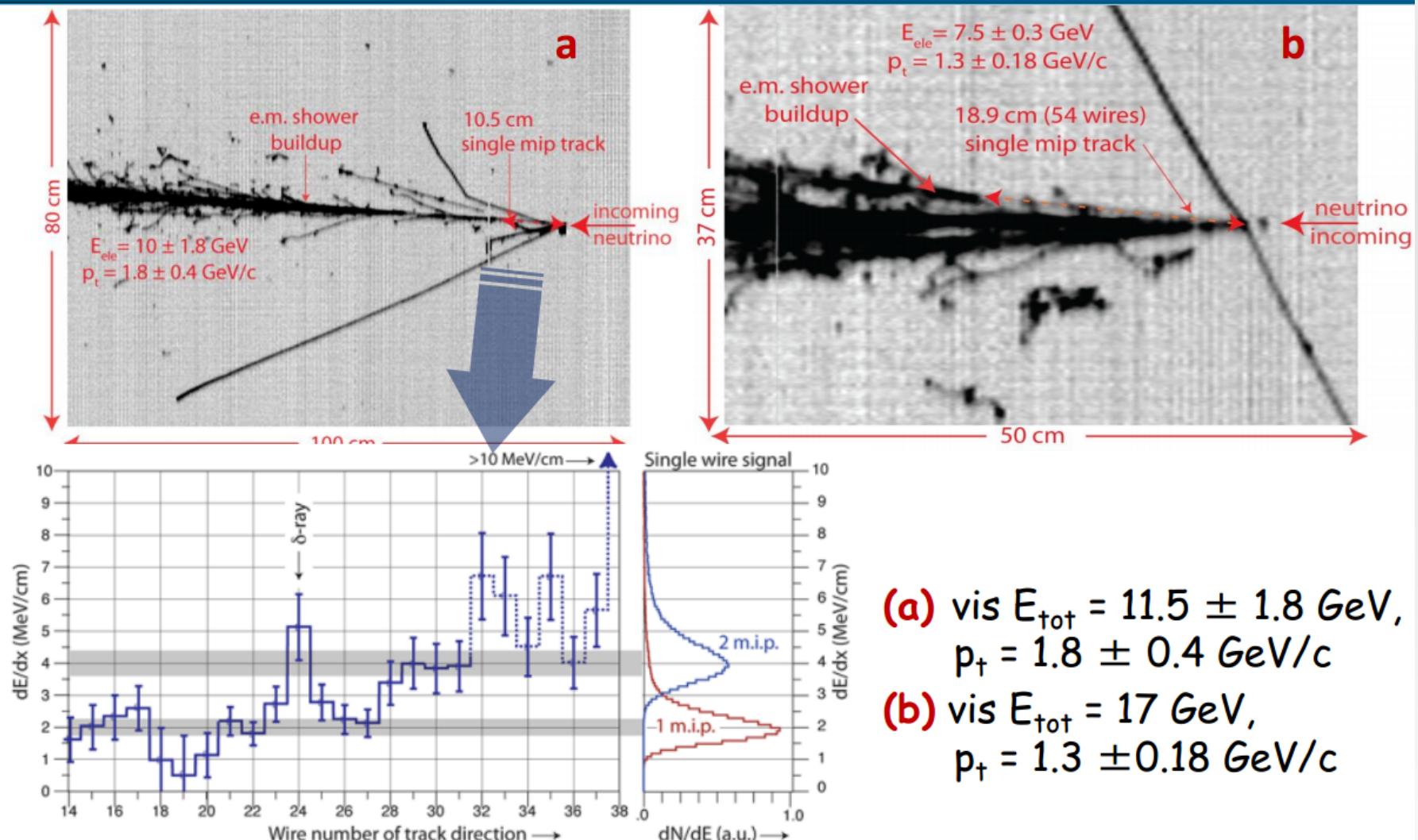
$$R_\mu \equiv N_{\mu^+}/N_{\mu^-}$$



25/03/14

Giovanni De Lellis, LNGS Seminar

Example: 2 (out of 4) ν_e CC events observed in 1995 events



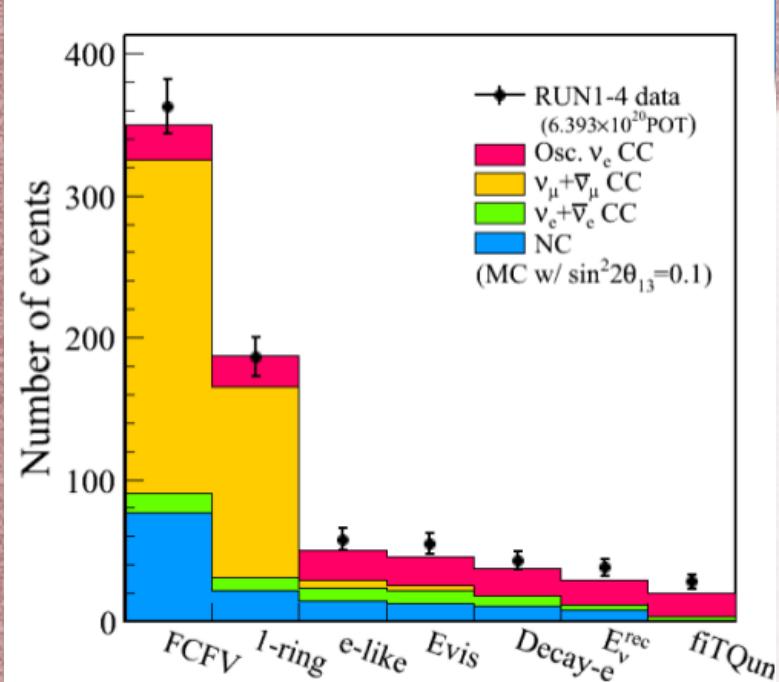
In all events: single electron shower in the transverse plane
clearly opposite to hadronic component

Apparizione dei ν_e : $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$, δ_{CP}

28 eventi osservati (20.4 ± 1.8 attesi)

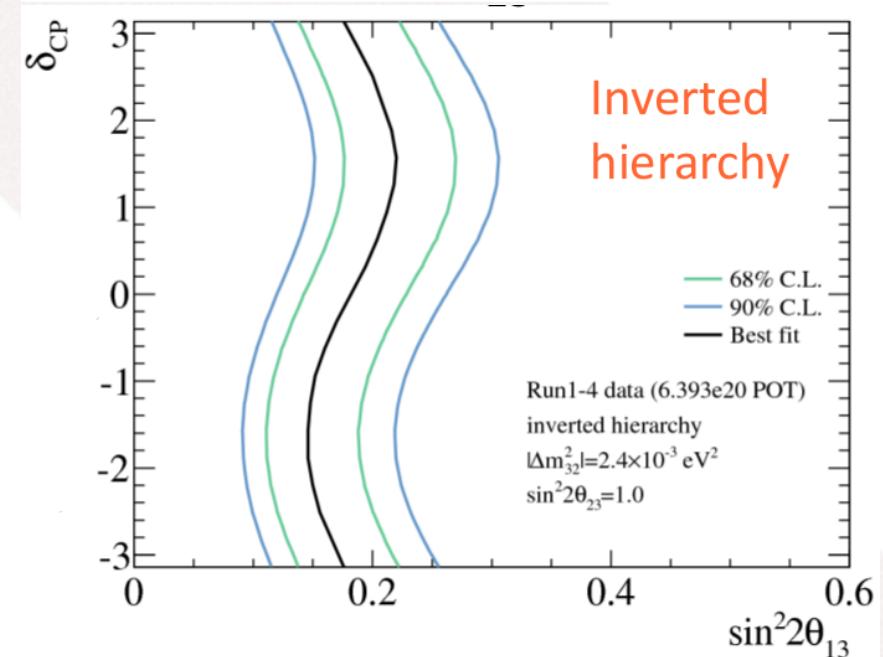
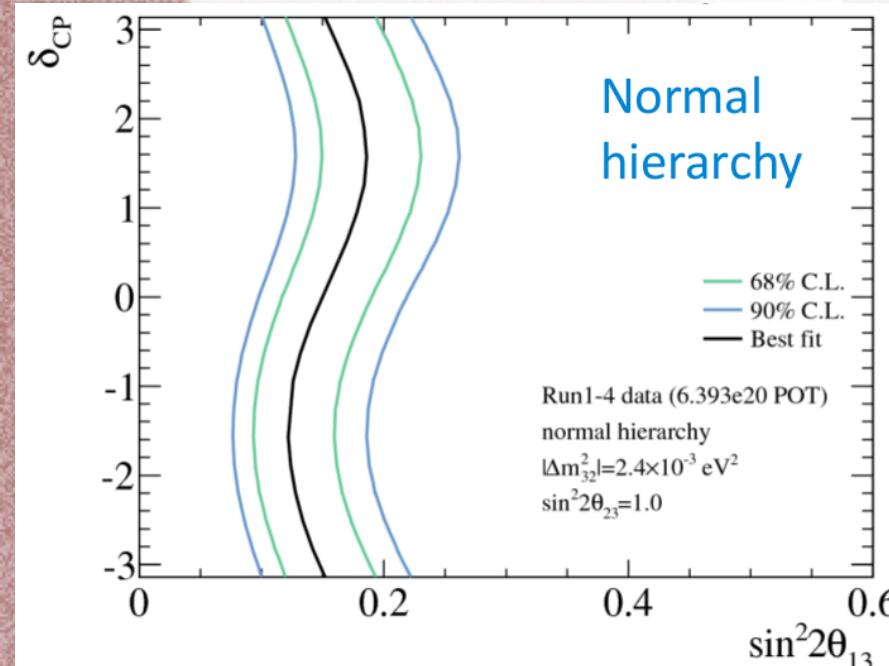
Significanza di 7.5σ per $\theta_{13} \neq 0$ (p-θ)

Prima osservazione (> 5σ) di appearance



Gerarchia normale best fit: **0.150**
 @ 90% CL: **$0.097 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.218$**

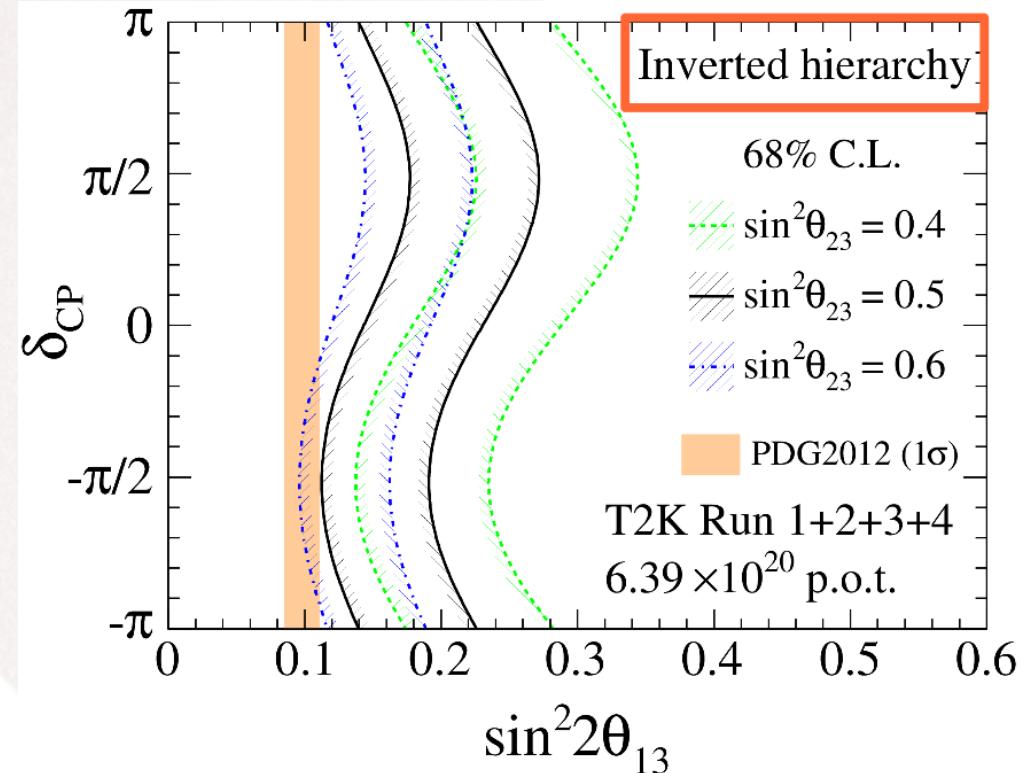
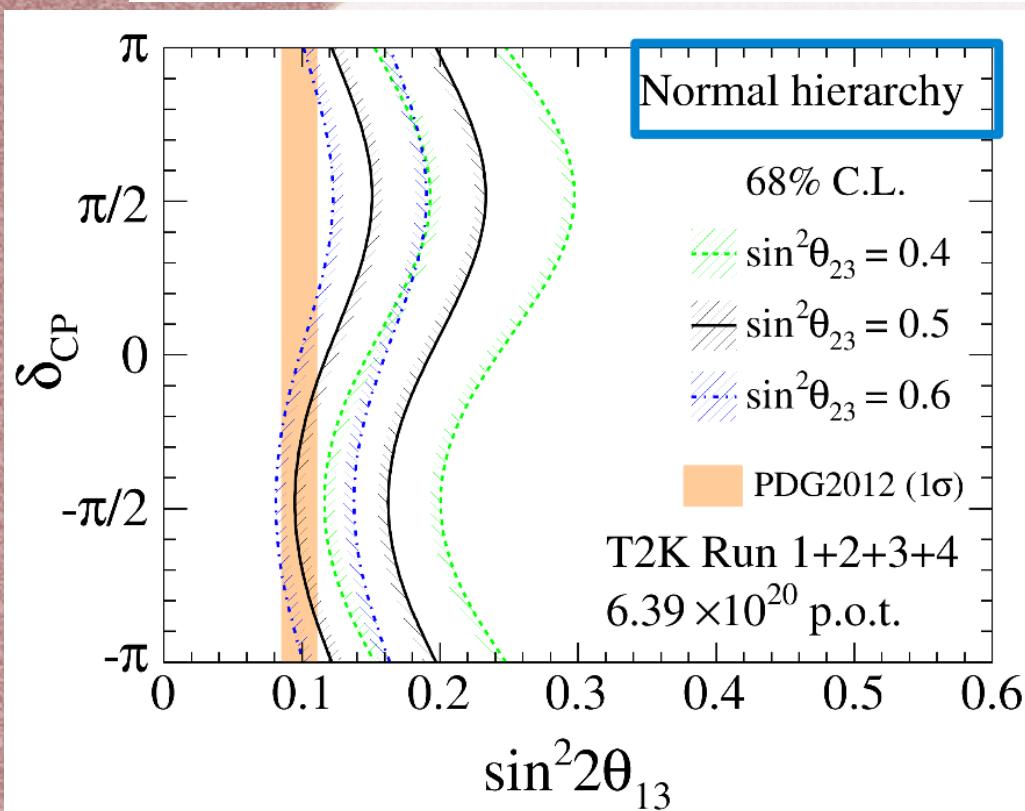
Gerarchia inversa, best fit **0.182**
 @ 90% CL: **$0.118 < \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.261$**



Apparizione di ν_e e θ_{23}

$$P_{\mu \rightarrow e} \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

Dipendenza da θ_{23}
asimmetrica rispetto a $\pi/4$

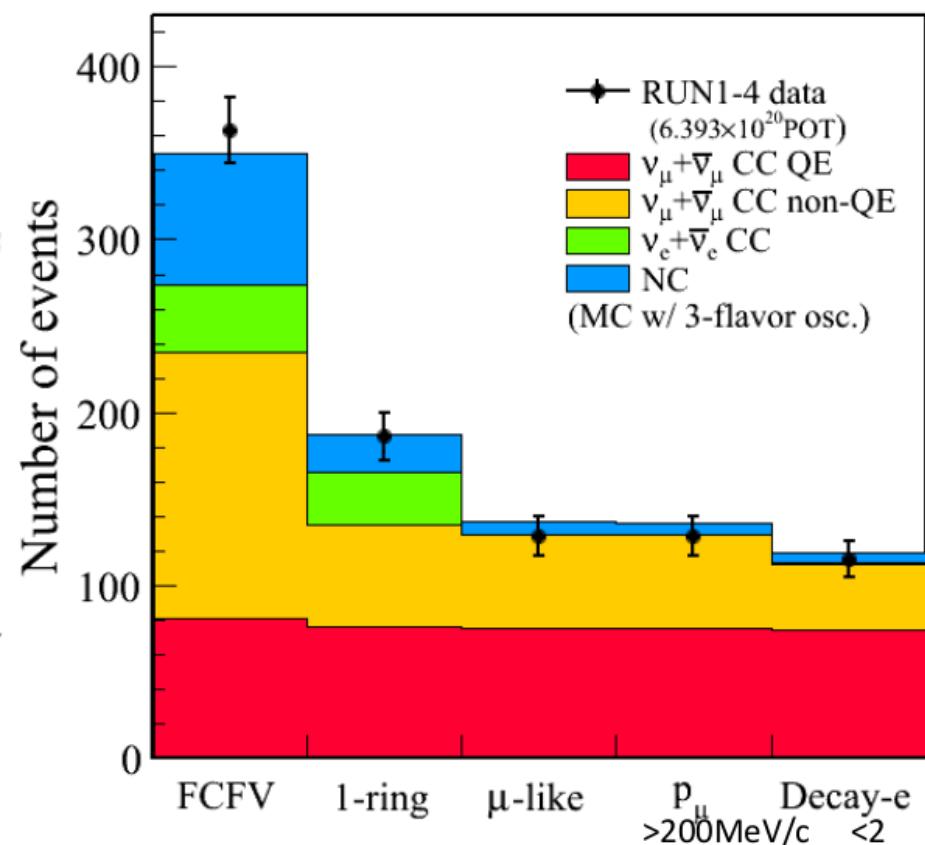


Variazioni nella zona permessa quando θ_{23} e' variato entro l'incertezza.

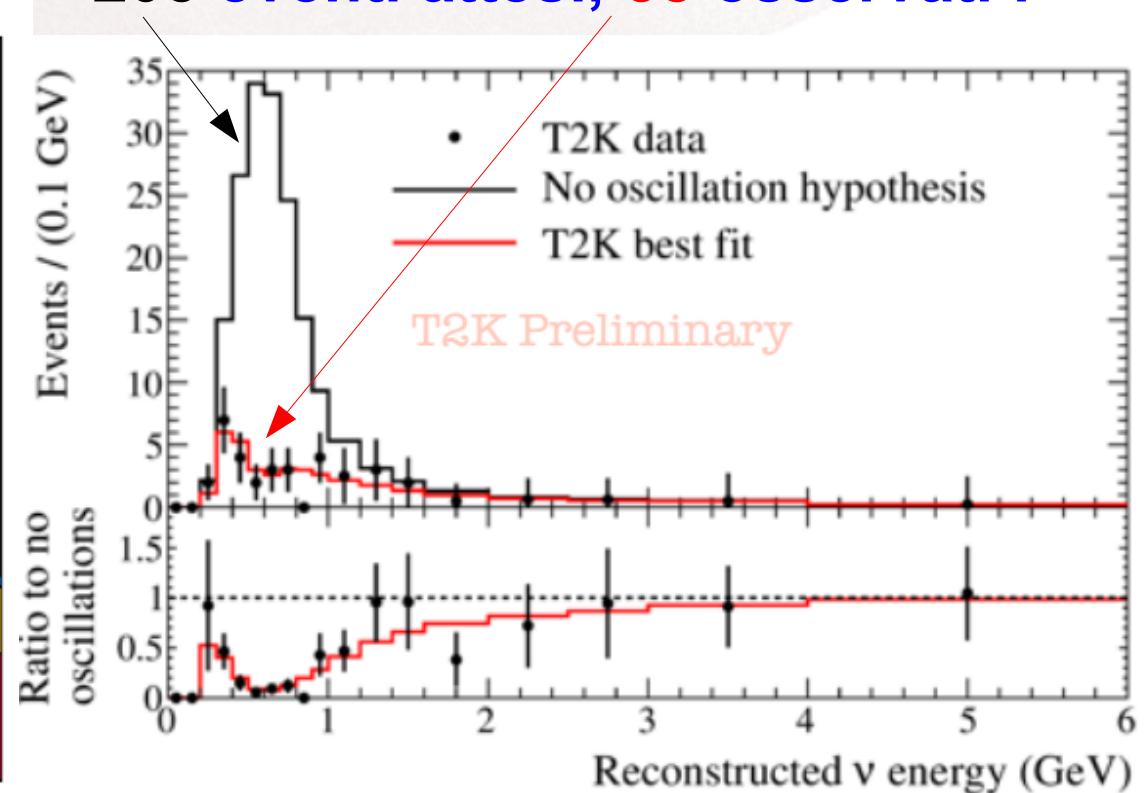
I **reattori** misurano un valore centrale minore: θ_{23} nel 2º ottante e $\delta_{CP} \sim -\pi/2$
leggermente favoriti → Una fenomenologia molto ricca !

Scomparsa dei ν_μ

Selezione dei dati



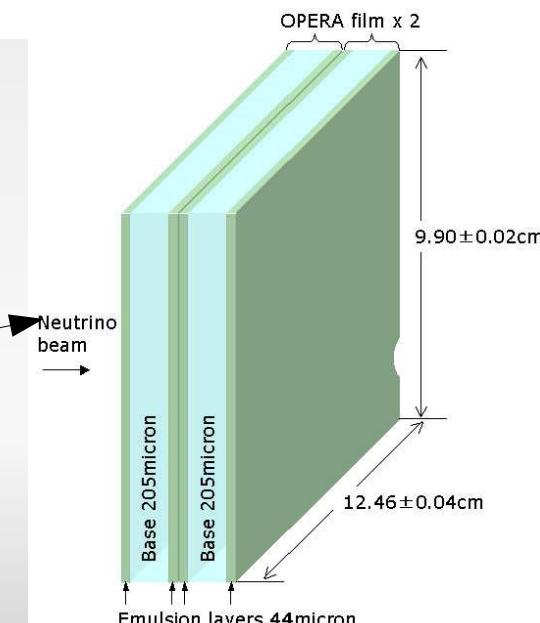
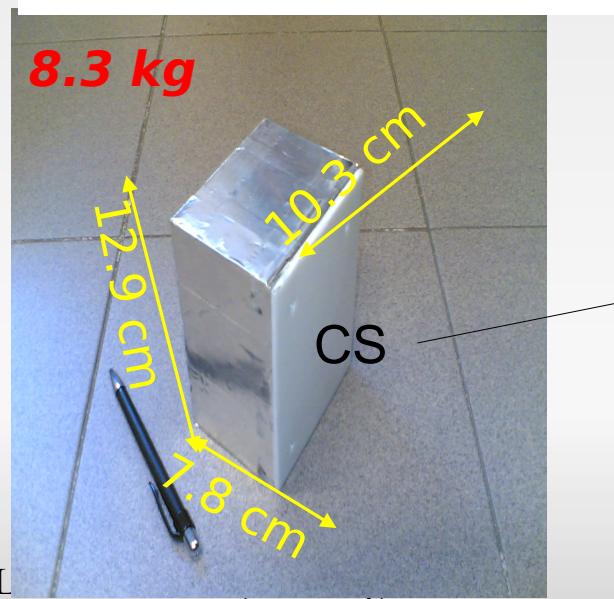
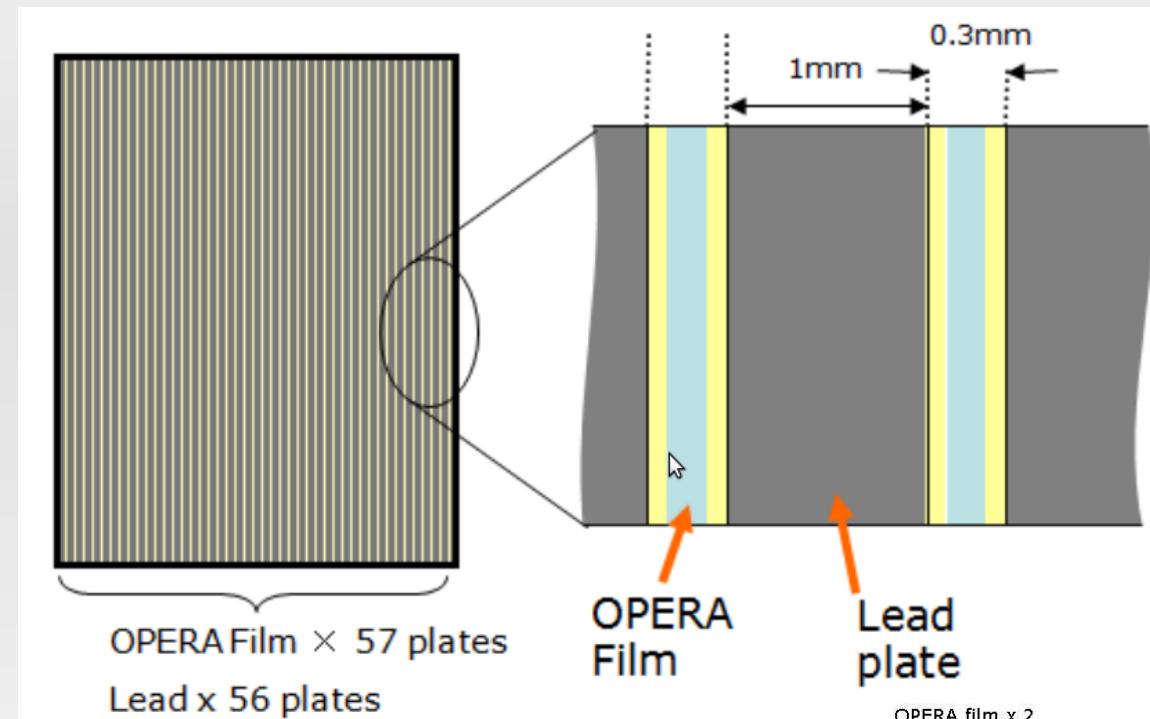
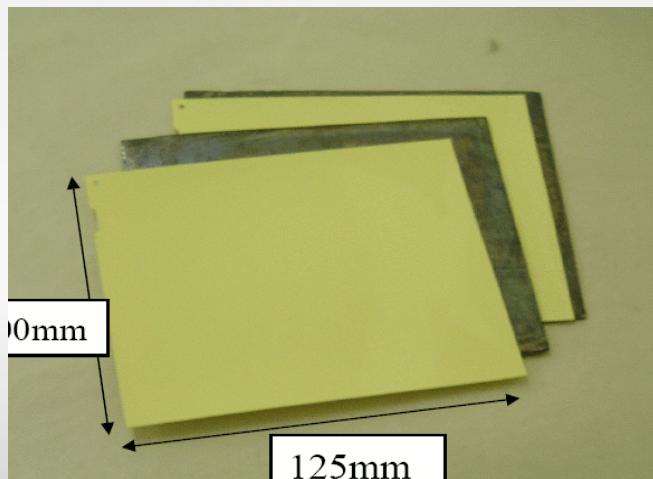
Con $3.01 \cdot 10^{20}$ POT
205 eventi attesi, 58 osservati !



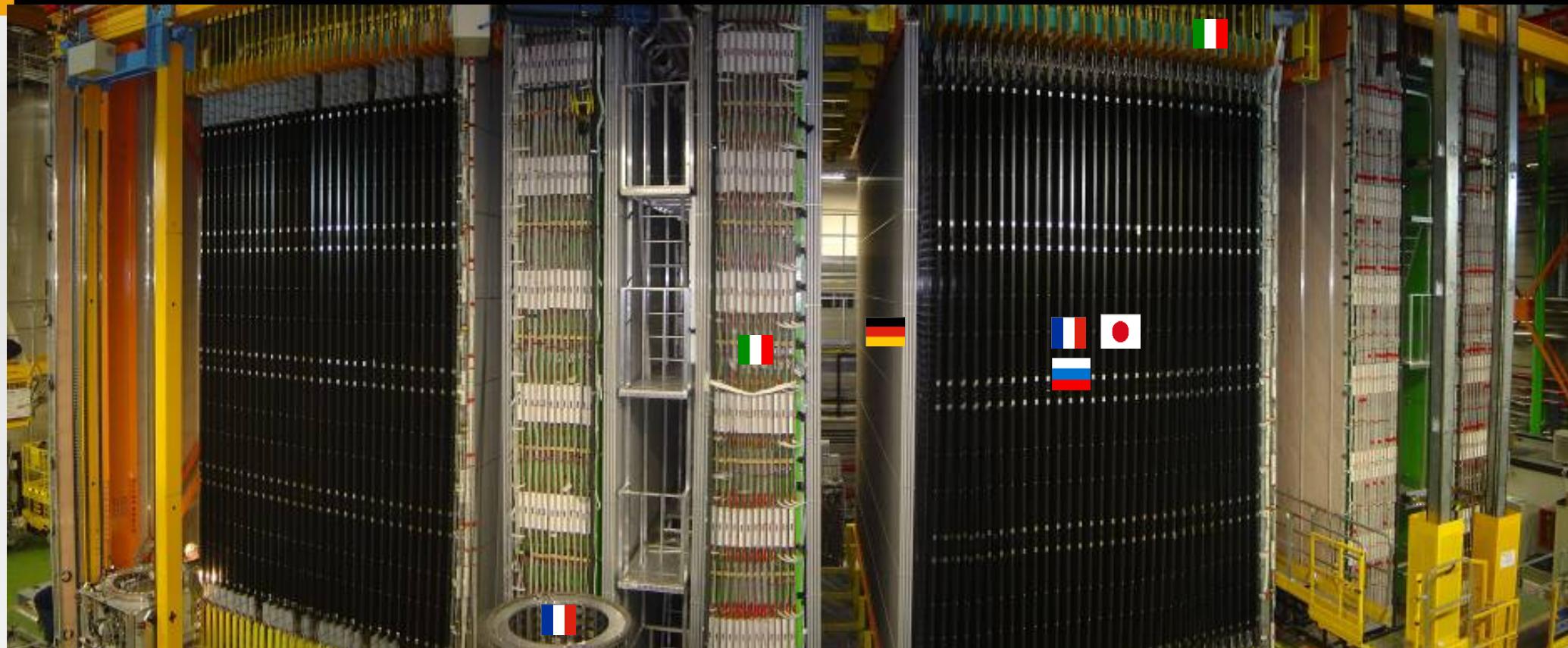
Il primo fascio disegnato con una precisa determinazione del Δm^2
(soppressione massimale esattamente al picco!)

The ECC (emulsion cloud chamber)

- Brick
56 lead plates (1 mm) + 56 emulsions (300 μm)
- Changeable Sheet (CS):
low -background removable emulsion doublet attached downstream of brick
 - validates the occurrence of event in the selected brick before unpacking and developing
 - “Bridge” between electronic detectors and brick.(thanks to low track density: 10^{-4} tracks/cm² in the doublet due to special treatment)



The OPERA detector fish-eye



Electronic detectors fully instrumented and tested since 2007

French contributions:

- Target Tracker (IrES Strasbourg)
- Brick manipulator system (LAPP Annecy),
- DAQ (IPNL Lyon + scanning)

The BMS (brick manipulator system)

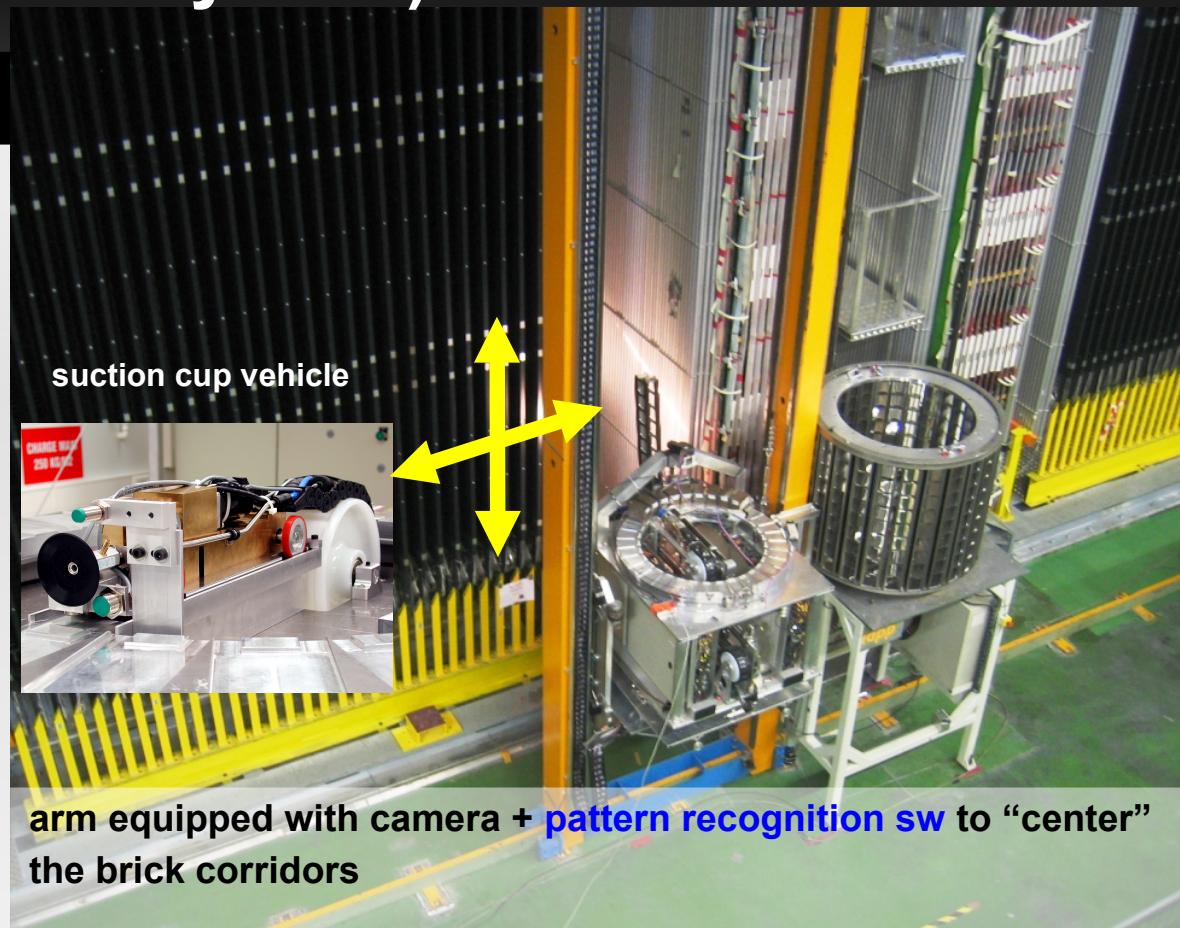
- Automated **detector filling**
- **Routine extractions** of bricks containing ν interactions
- “**holes-filling**” to keep the detector compact (no refilling of extracted bricks foreseen $\sim -10\%/5y$)

Replicated on both detector sides

0.1 mm accuracy in positioning over ~ 8 m
platform weight: 1.3 tons

Continuous brick mapping
(extraction/reinsertion)
managed by a **relational DB**

For efficient tracing and retrieval of heterogeneous data: brick and film handling, DAQ, scanning data in various labs, etc.. are also managed by DB



loaded “drum”:
256 bricks
filled
automatically by
the BAM

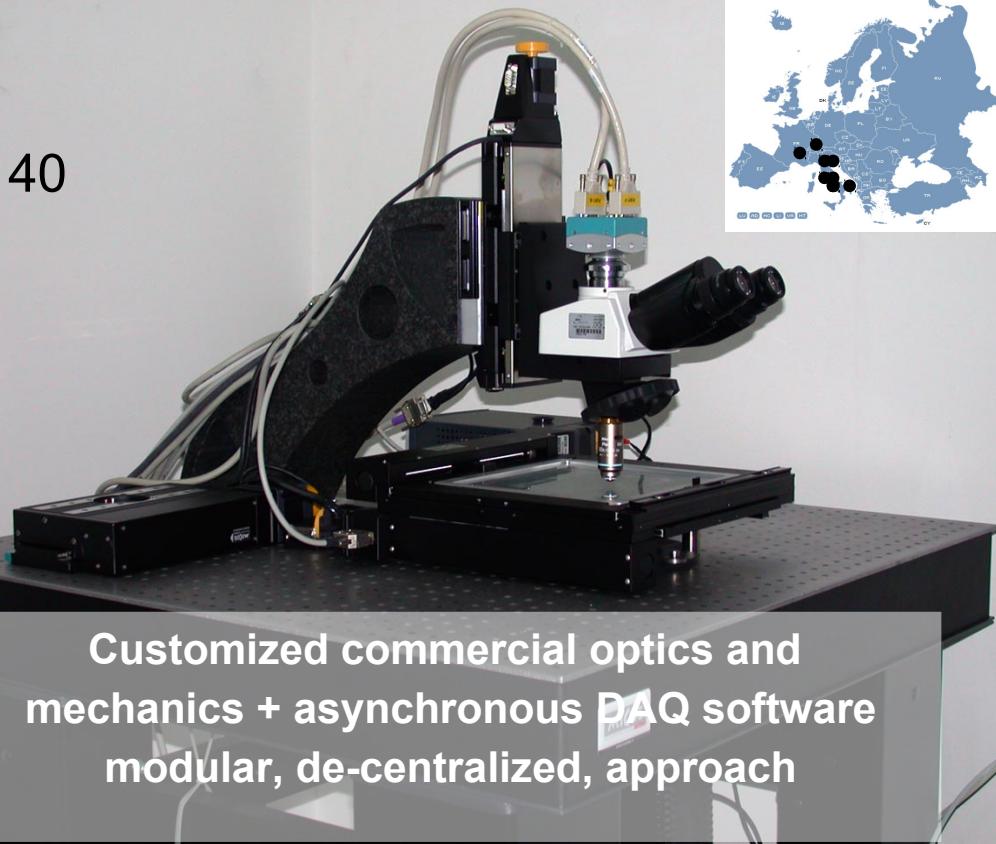
Emulsion scanning: 'offline' ... data taking !

~ 24 bricks will be daily extracted and analysed using high-speed automatic systems
~ 40 microscopes distributed in Europe and Japan

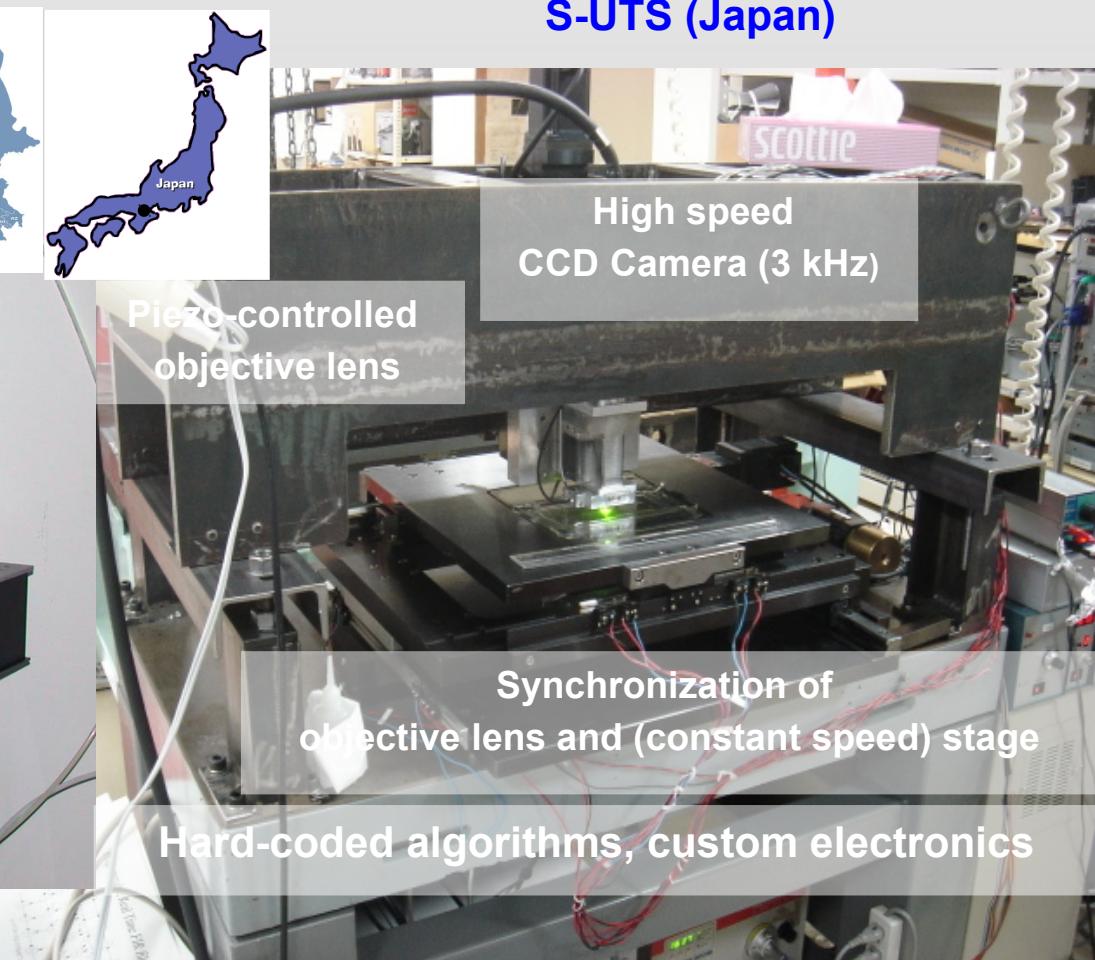
2 "schools". Many useful cross checks are possible !
Common Data Base for data sharing/publication

European Scanning System

x 40



scanning speed ~ 20 cm² / h proposal goal



Up to ~ 72 cm² / h

Development lab

6 parallel motorized chains connected to a series of tanks that contain the chemical solutions

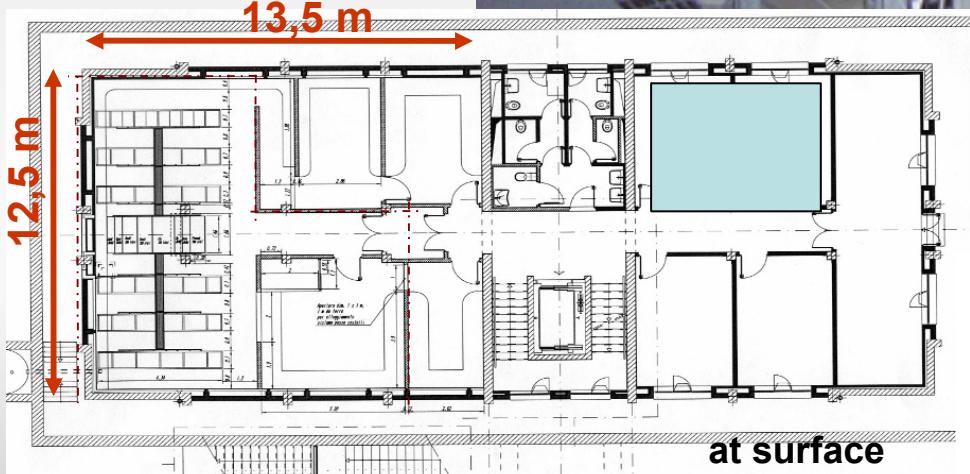
movable arms under PLC control displace and insert the plate holders in/out of each tank at scheduled times

development/stopping/fixing/tickening/washing

each phase is from 5' → ~20'
≥ 1 brick per chain simultaneously

automatic exhaustion of chemical waste and insertion of fresh ones

~ 130 m²

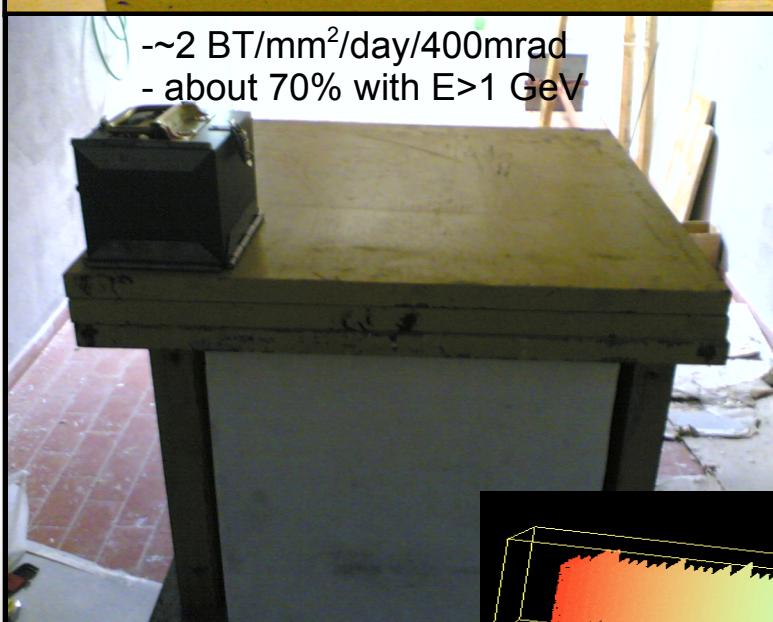
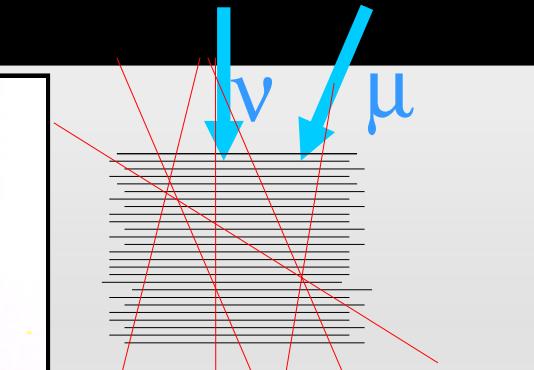
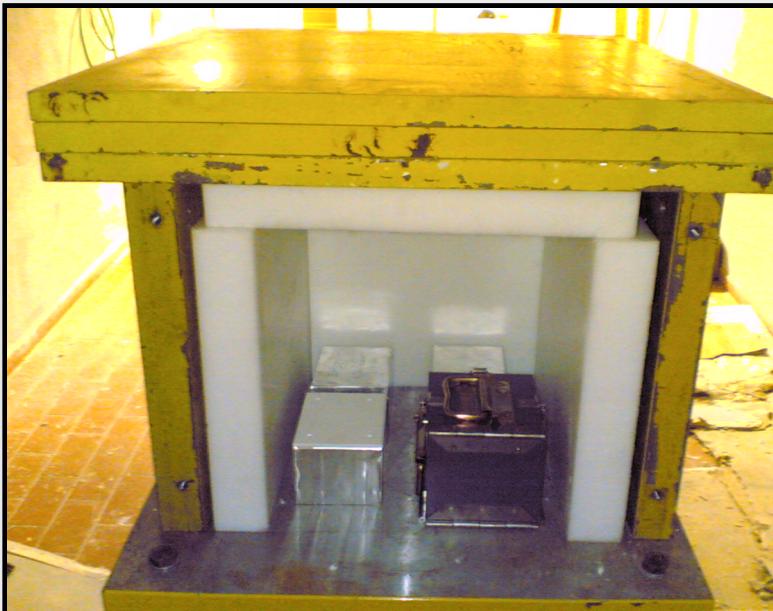


Commercial up-to-date technologies
Chemical solutions are prepared by an industrial-type plant fully automated up to 3000 films/day (~53 bricks)

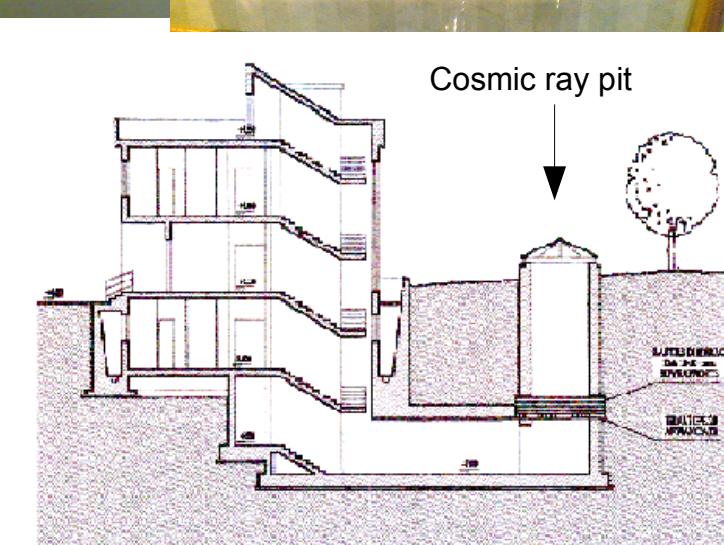
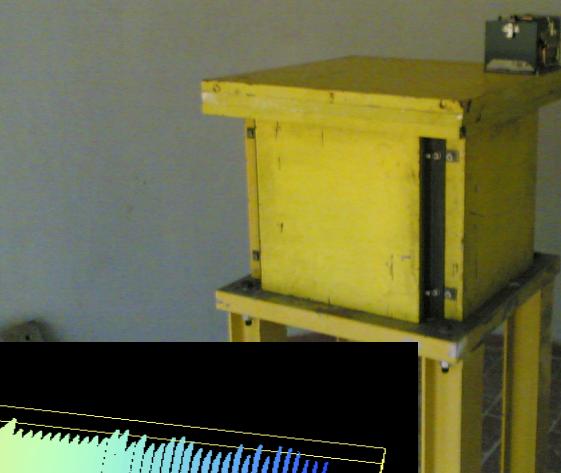


Cosmic ray exposure

high energy cosmic rays used for local alignment (“pins”) of different emulsions in the brick. Exposure at surface done after brick extraction in a properly designed pit (to suppress the low E component).



Iron-polyethylene (n capture)

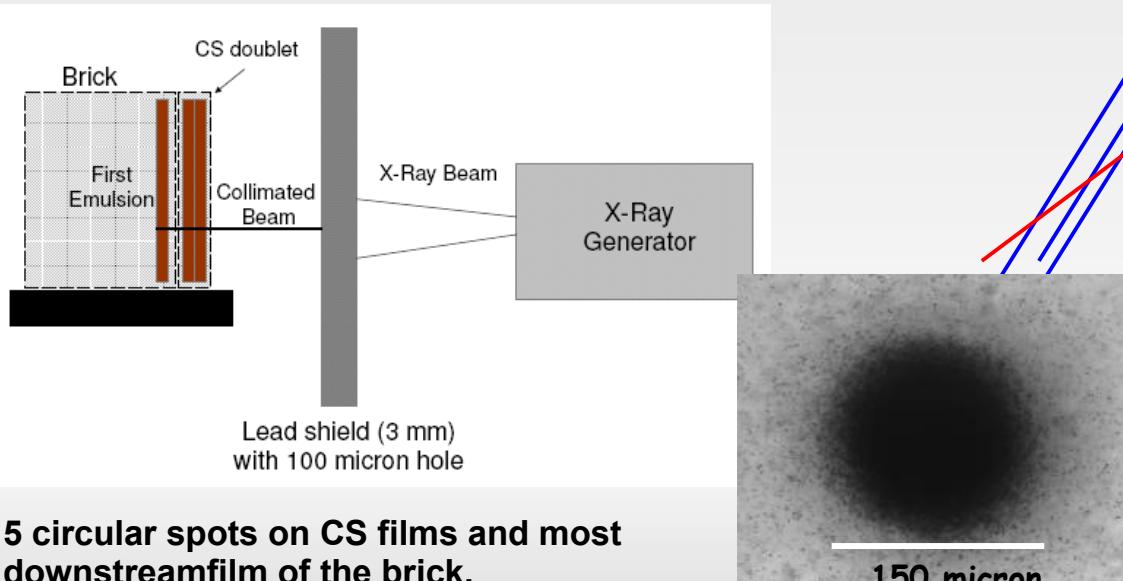


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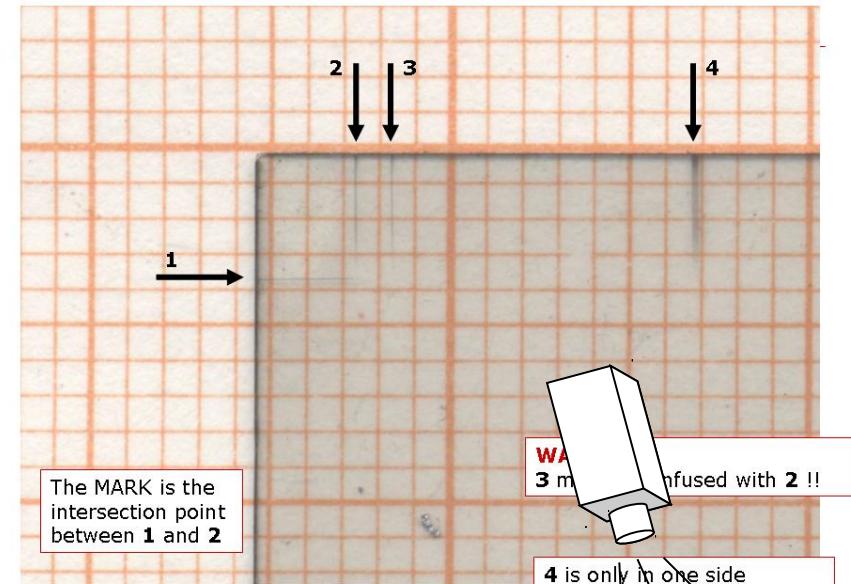
X-ray marking



CS-brick (frontal Xray marks)



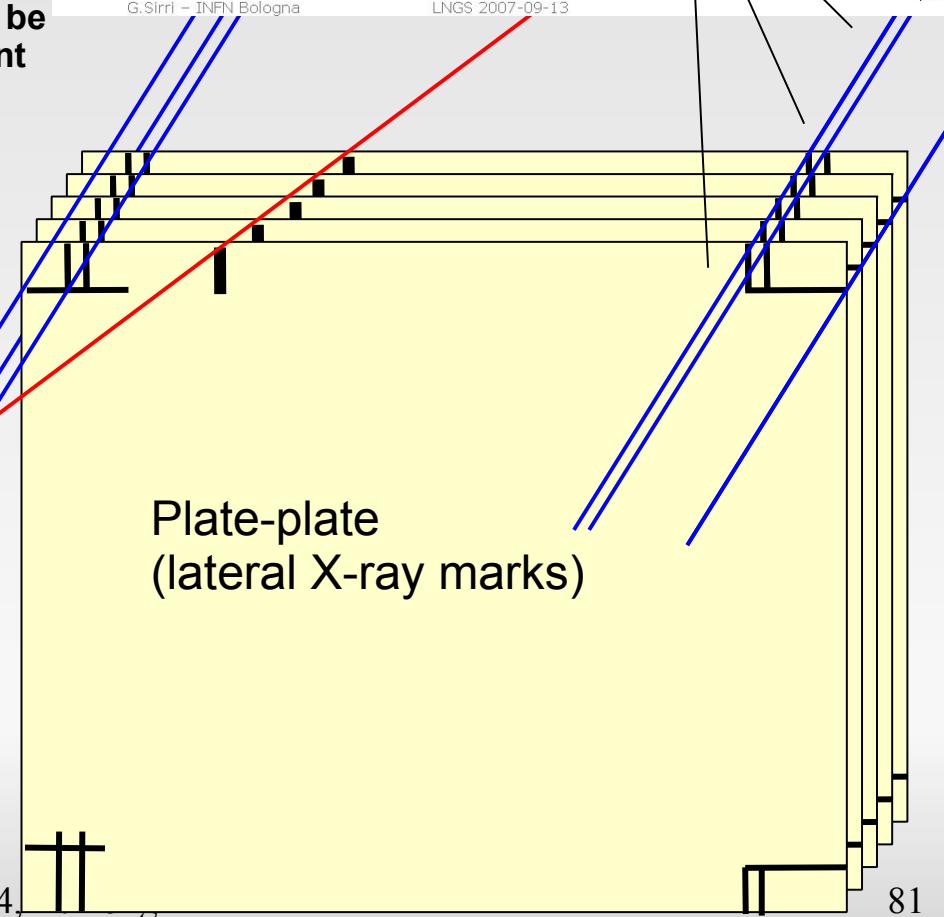
- Faster global alignment using X-ray marks
- Marks are automatically detected by a pattern recognition software and affine transformations among plates are calculated. This procedure allows to perform the scan back procedure in a fast and effective way while cosmics alignment is more accurate but slow (a zone of ~1 cm² needs to be scanned to perform the alignment with reasonable statistics). Also provide plate numbering.
- same technique for CS-brick alignment



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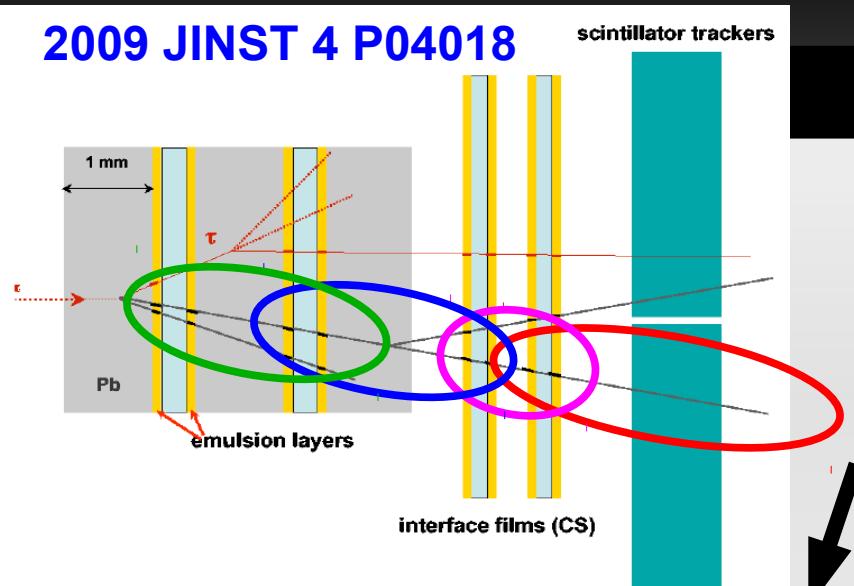
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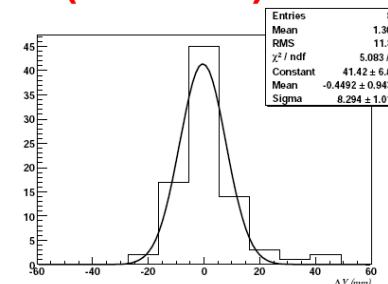
From electronic detectors to vertices in emulsions

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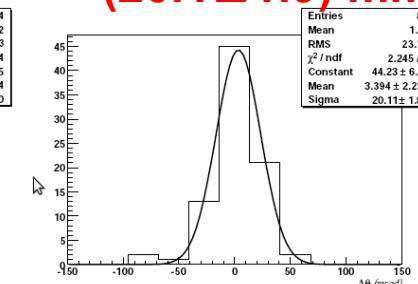


Electronic detectors - Changeable sheet

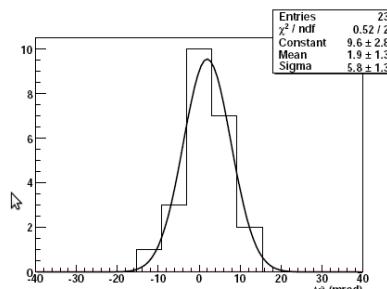
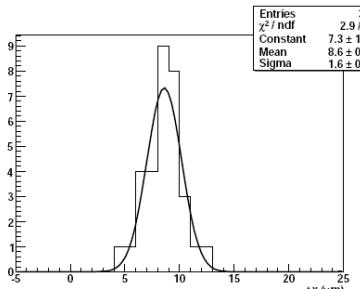
$(8.3 \pm 1.0) \text{ mm}$



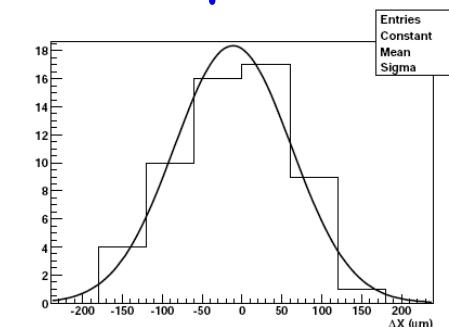
$(20.1 \pm 1.9) \text{ mm}$



CS1-2 $(1.6 \pm 0.3) \mu\text{m}$ $(6.8 \pm 1.3) \text{ mrad}$



74 μm



8.2 mrad CS brick

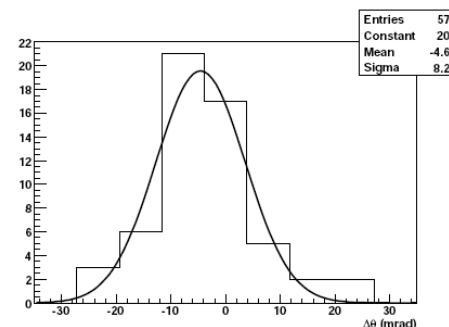
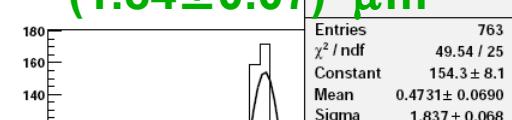
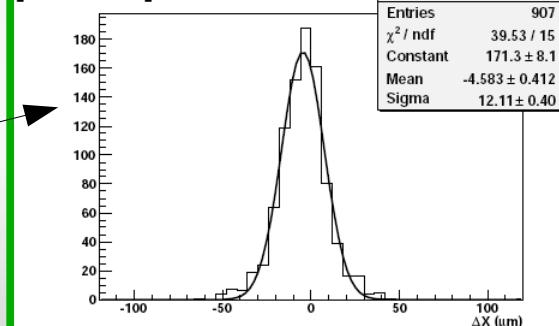


plate-plate

$(12.1 \pm 0.4) \mu\text{m}$ $(1.84 \pm 0.07) \mu\text{m}$



Lateral X-ray marks

Cosmic ray alignment

leap of a factor 1000 in precision !

Beam monitors

22+1 BPM (Beam Position Monitors)

button electrode monitors from LEP. tol ± 0.6 mm

last BPM: tol ± 0.035 mm

strip-line coupler pick-up mechanically connected with target

8 BPM (beam profile monitor)

OTR (optical transition radiation monitors)

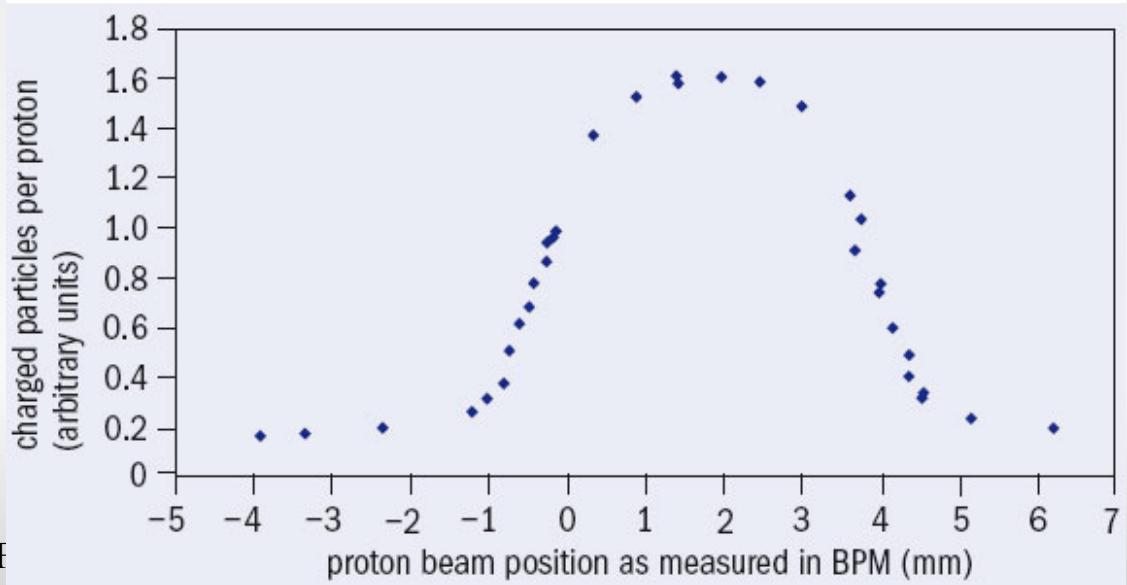
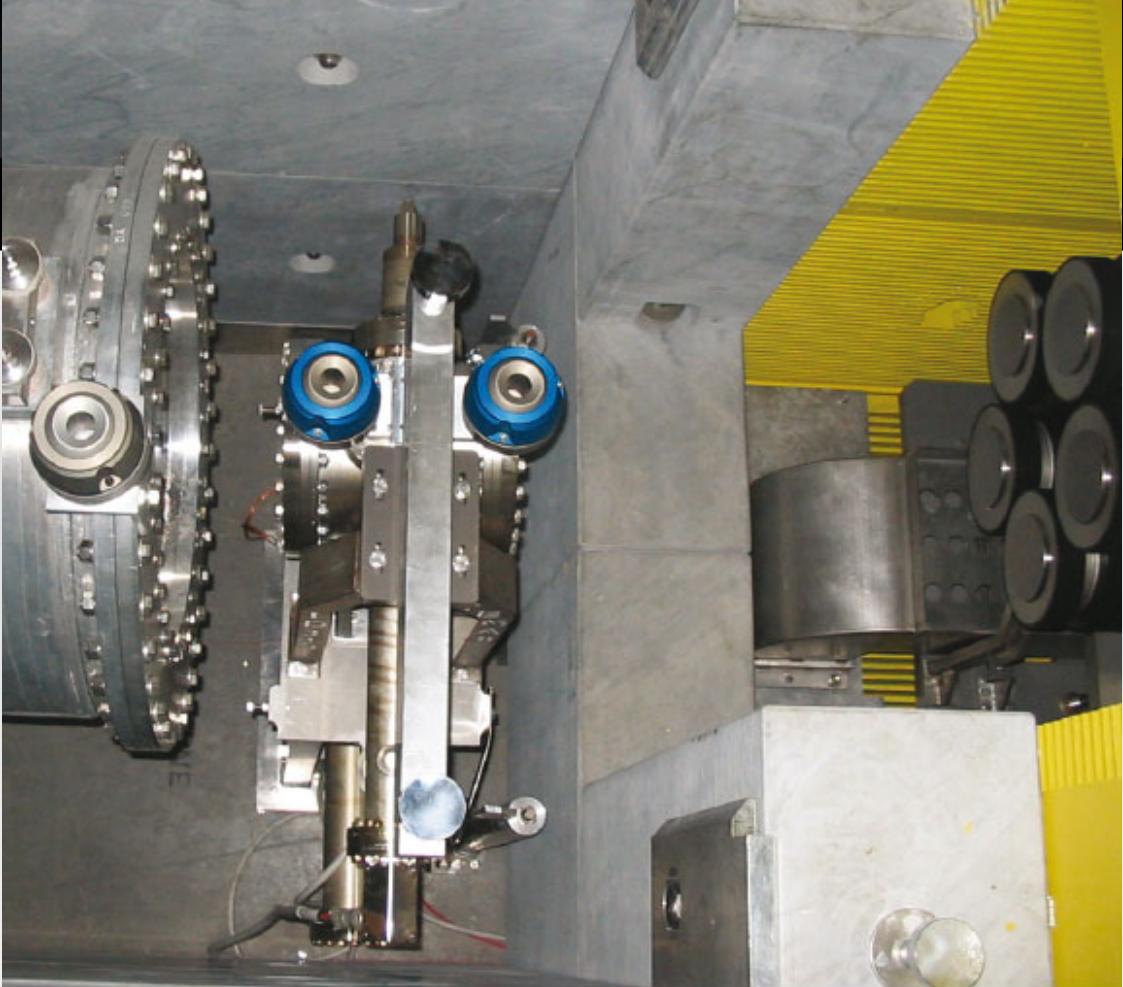
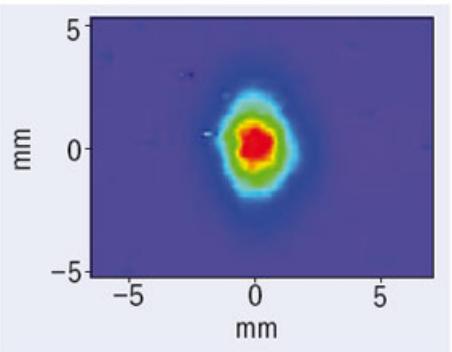
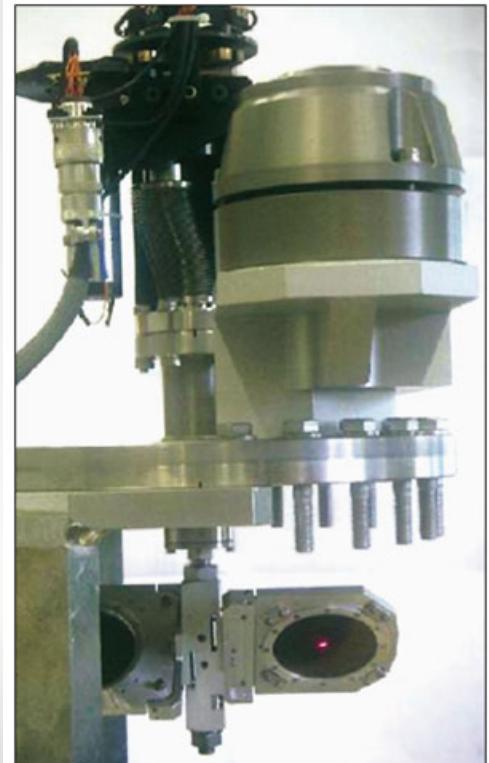
75 μ m C(high.int) 12 μ m Ti (low int.)

2 BCT (beam current transformer):

beam intens. at start and end.

18 BML (beam loss monitor)

N₂ filled ioniz. chambers



The precision trackers

prototype in Hamburg

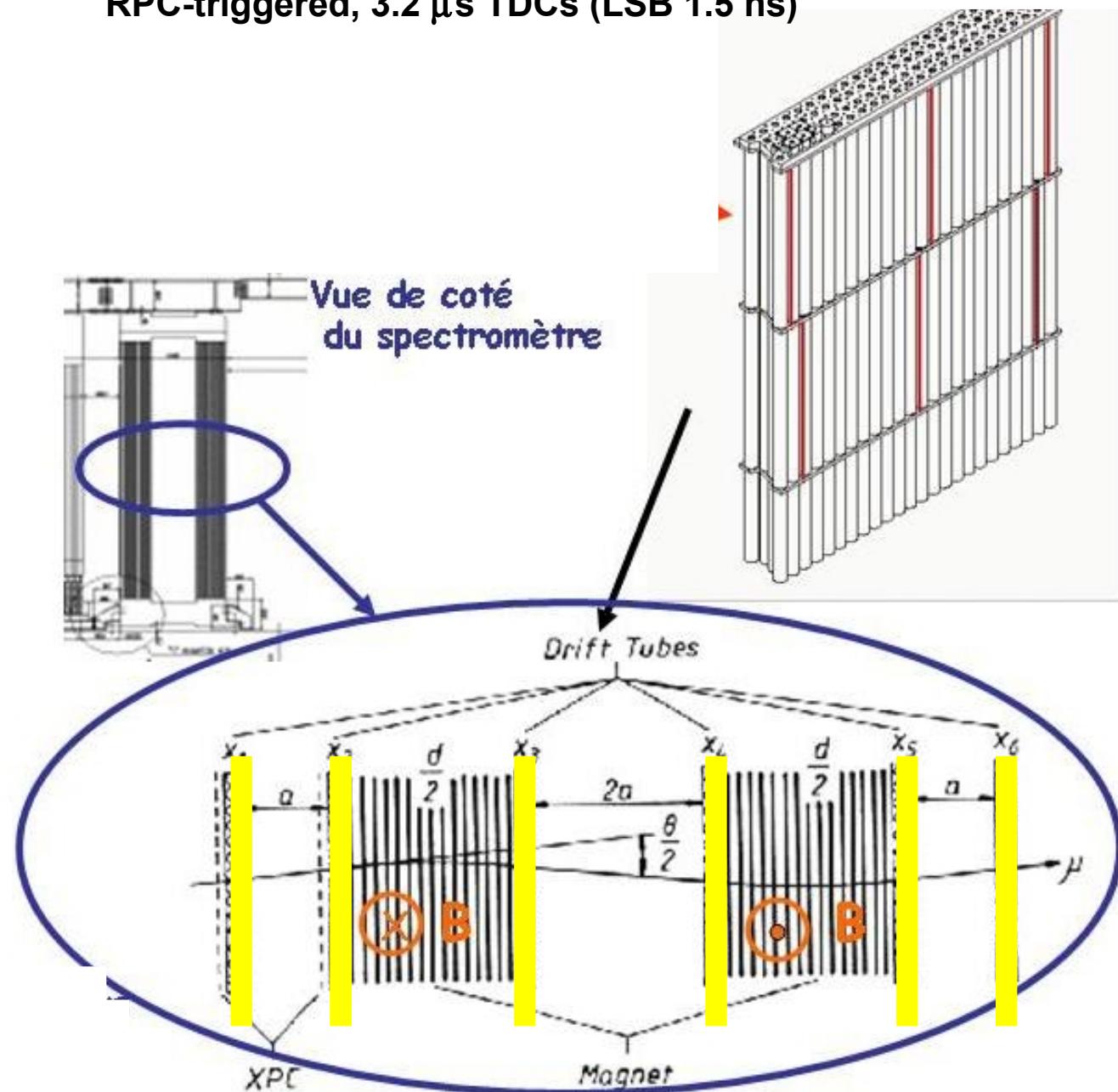


8 m (technical challenge,
never so long before)

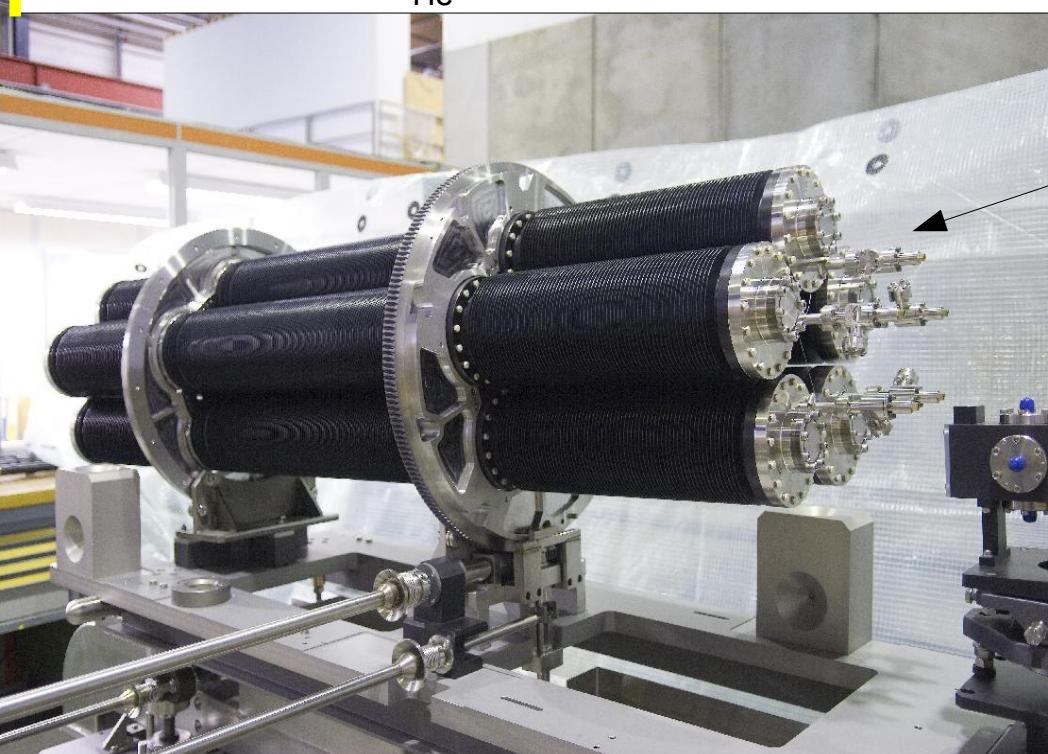
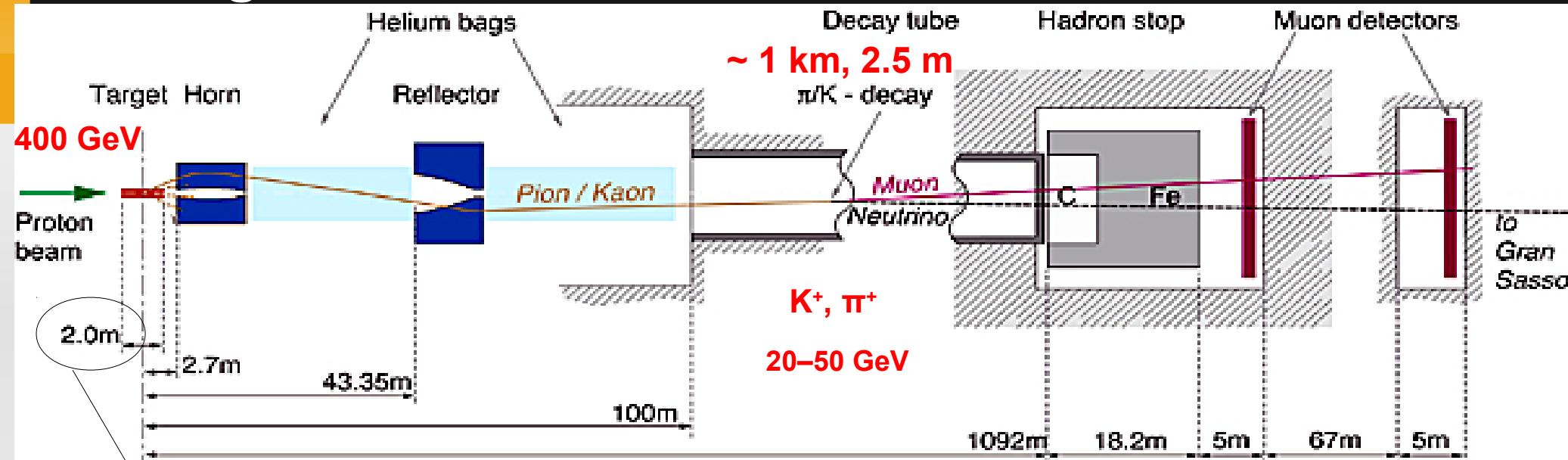
spatial resolution < 300 μm

single tube hit eff > 98%
+ correct r ~ 90%

38 mm diam. 8 m long tubes. 0.85 mm thick. 45 μm wire.
4 layers modules (staggered)
10.000 drift tubes
Ar/CO₂: 80/20% @ 1005±5 mbar (80 m³ exchange 1m³/h)
RPC-triggered, 3.2 μs TDCs (LSB 1.5 ns)



The target downstream beamline



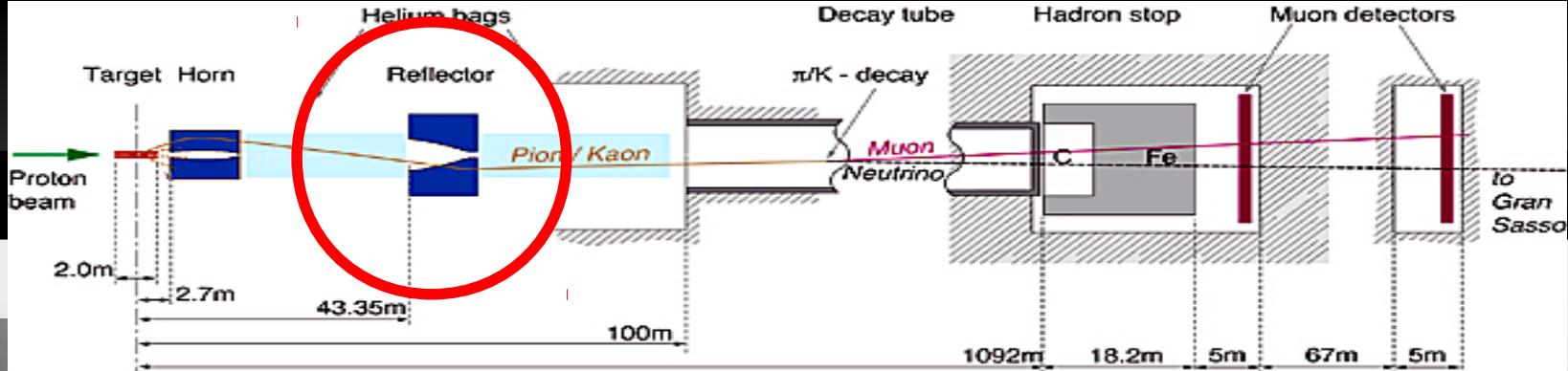
13 10cm-long graphite rods separated by 9 cm gaps. $r=4$ mm (5mm the first).

"Revolver" design. 1 target + 4 in situ spares

designed to withstand beam induced stress up to $3.5 \cdot 10^{13}$ p/extraction with 400 GeV (up to 750kW average power)

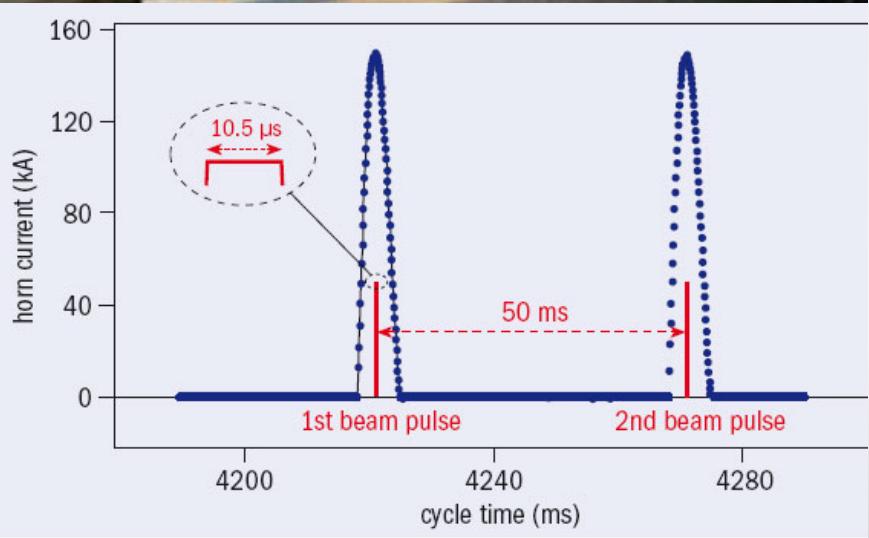
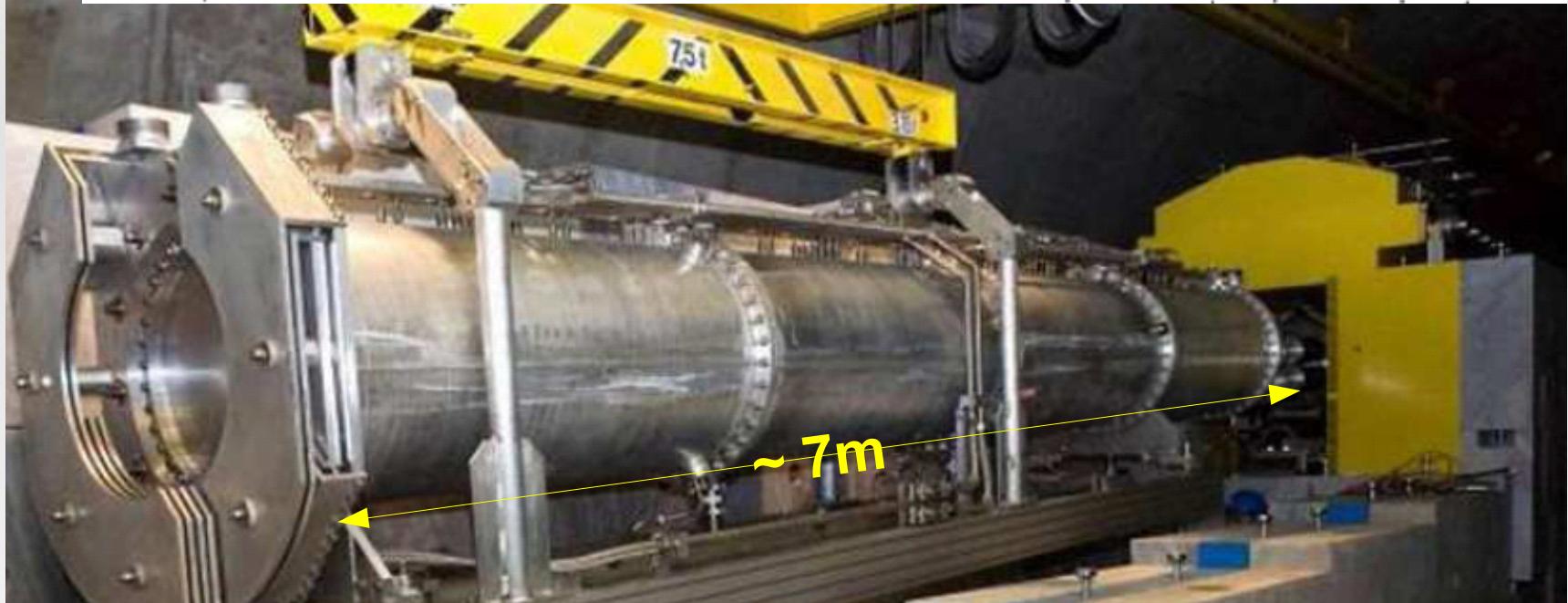
$\sigma = 0.5$ mm (tunable in 0.25-1 mm)
beam position stability onto the target averaged over several days $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$ (r.m.s.)

Horn

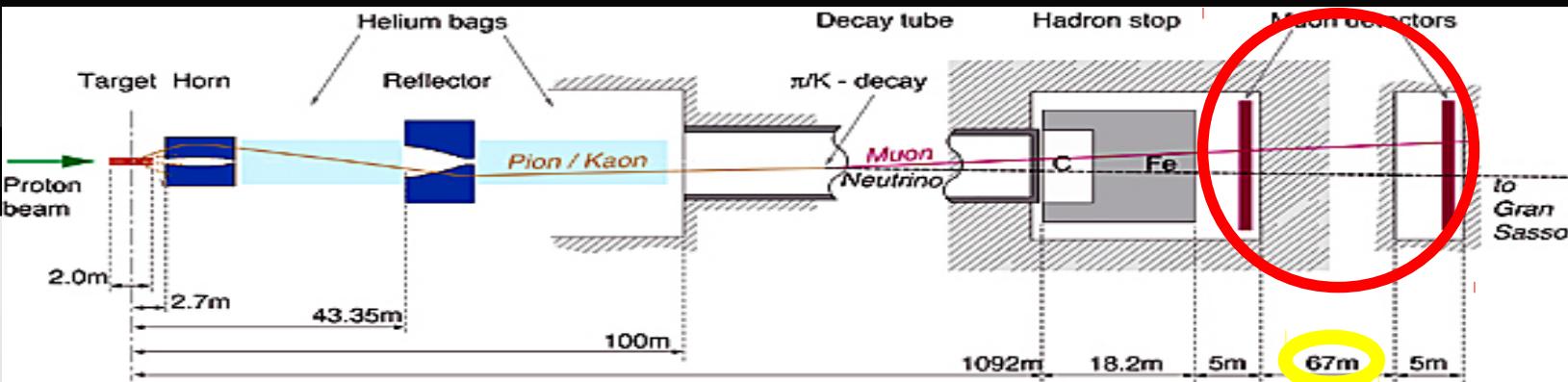


$I=150$ kA
for a few
ms
(180 kA
for the
reflector)

water
cooled



μ monitors



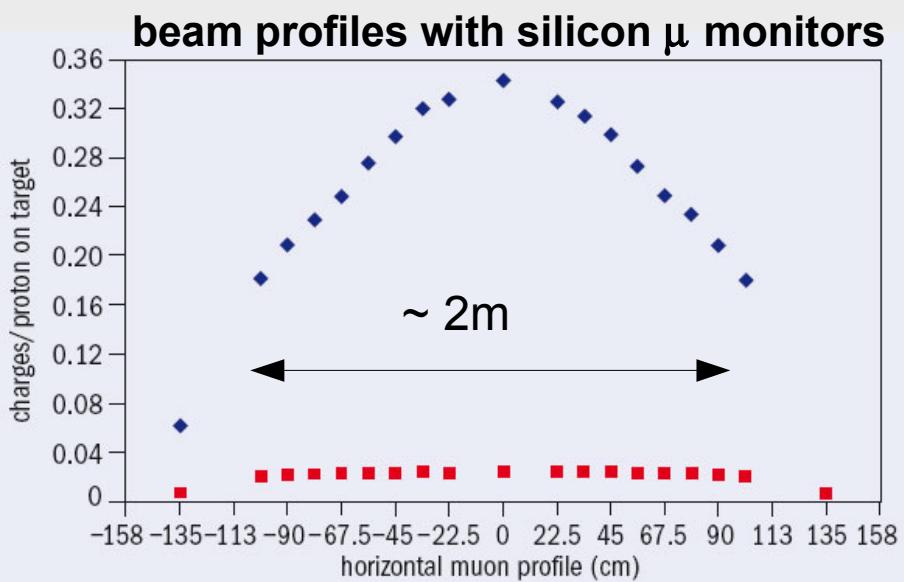
2 stations. 67 m rock in between

Station1: $4.0 \times 10^5 \mu / \text{cm}^2 / 10^{13} p$ from Aug. 06 run
Station2: $2.5 \times 10^7 \mu / \text{cm}^2 / 10^{13} p$

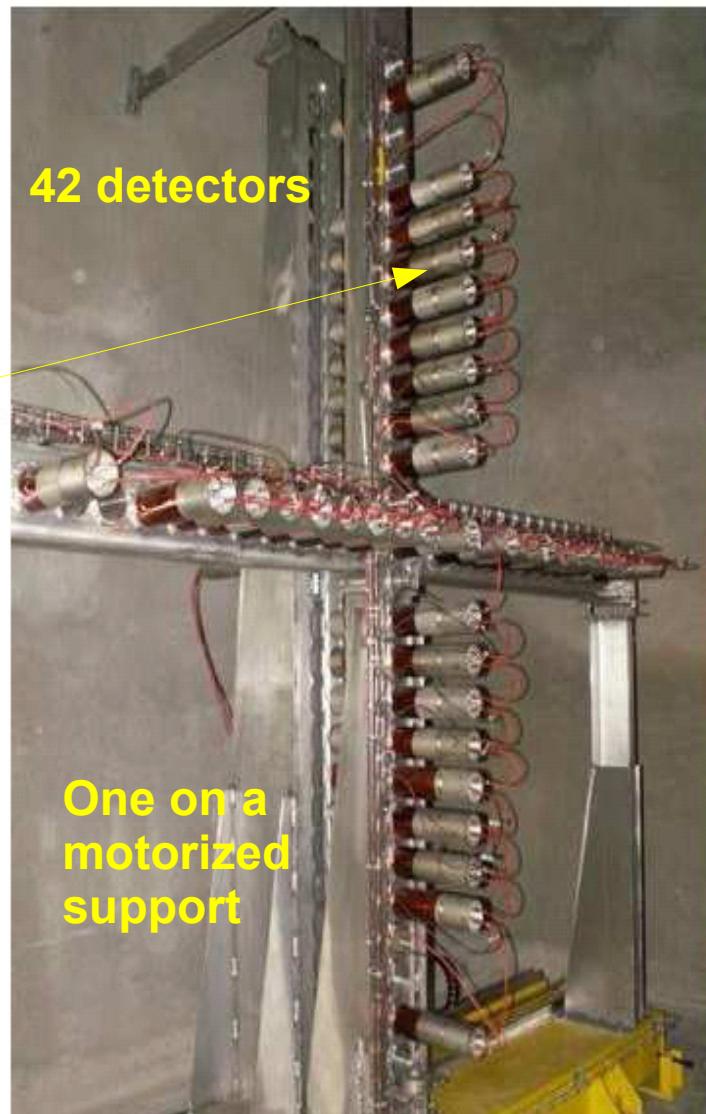
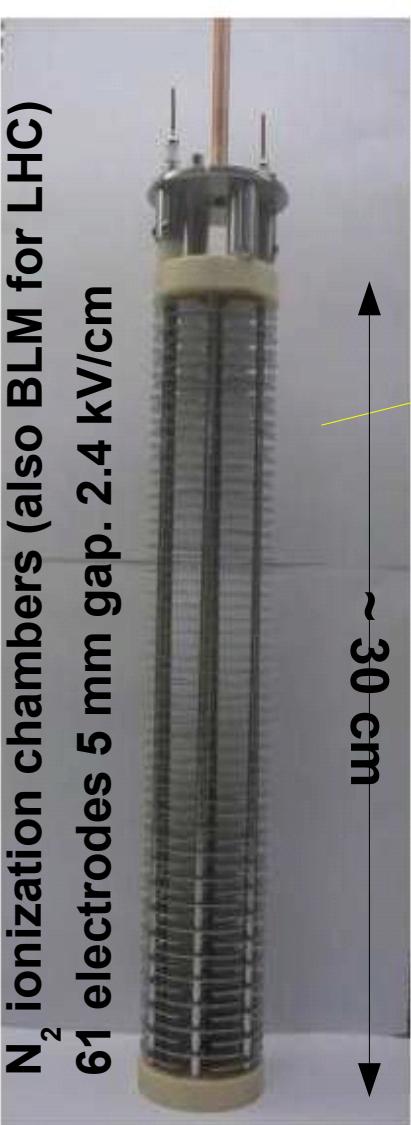
$10^8 \mu/\text{cm}^2/10 \mu\text{s}$: high rate!

Stat. 1: $E_\mu > 20\text{GeV}$. Target-horn alignm.

Stat. 2: $E_\mu > 50\text{GeV}$. beam-target alignm.



Horn ON/OFF



Nuclear emulsions: a “curriculum” of discoveries

1896 : radioactivity Bequerel U salts

1947 : pion

discovered in cosmic rays

1971 : charmed mesons

Pb + emulsion sandwich

formerly seen as ‘*X-particle*’ in
cosmic rays

1985 : beauty mesons

WA75 hybrid experiment

first observation

2000 : tau ν

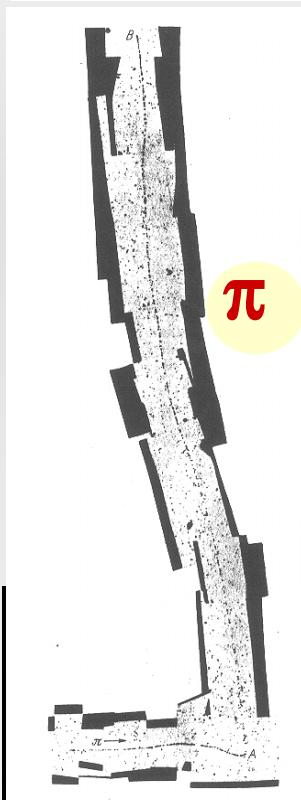
DONUT “beam-dump” exp.

nowadays

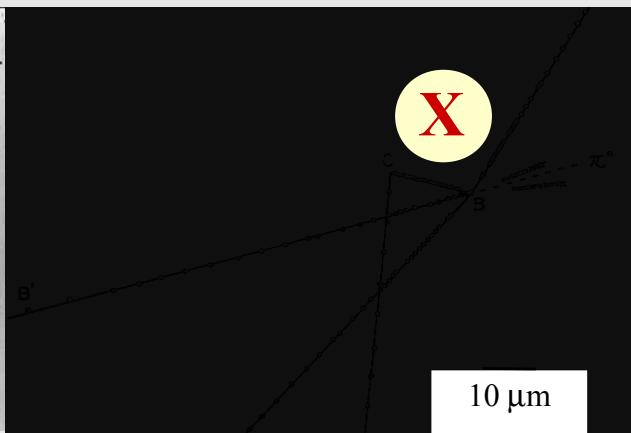
Large scale automatic
scanning
+ massive targets

τ decay search in ν_τ^{cc}

Unique tool to “see” the decay short-lived particles



•Established technique



D^0

D^-

$B^- \quad \bar{B}^0$

~ “zero background” exp. small statistics is acceptable

Further experience of E531, CHORUS

CERN NEUTRINOS TO GRAN SASSO

Underground structures at CERN

E: 350-450 GeV

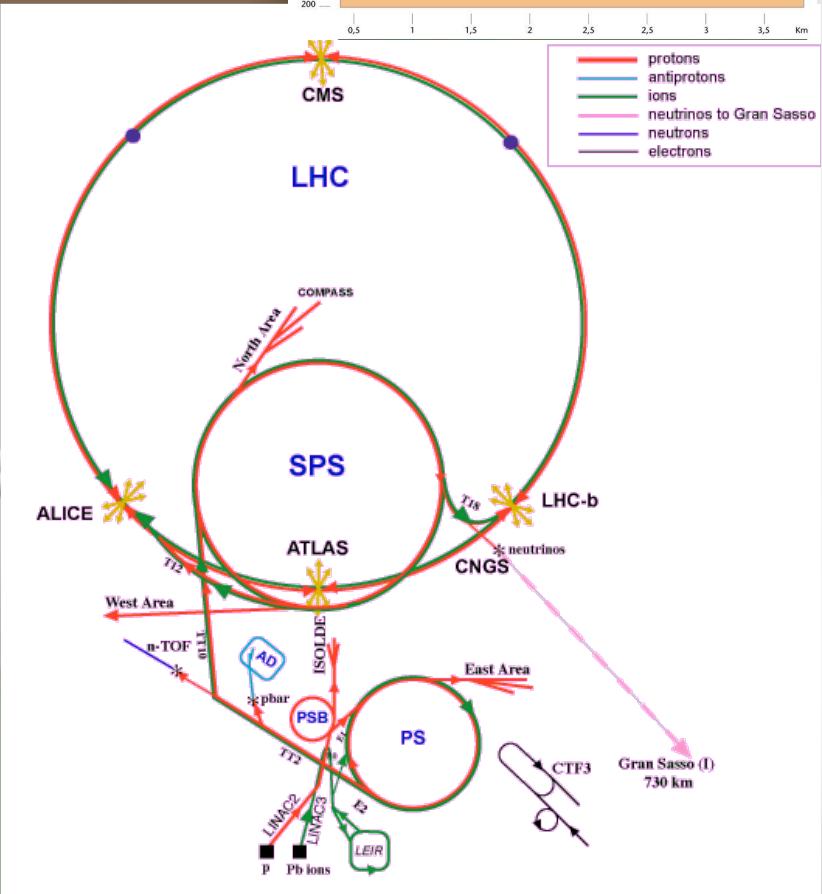
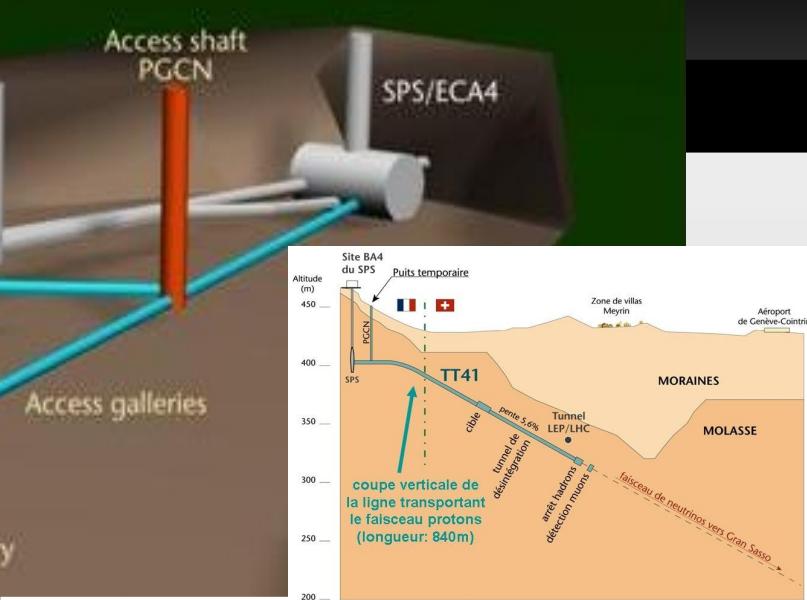
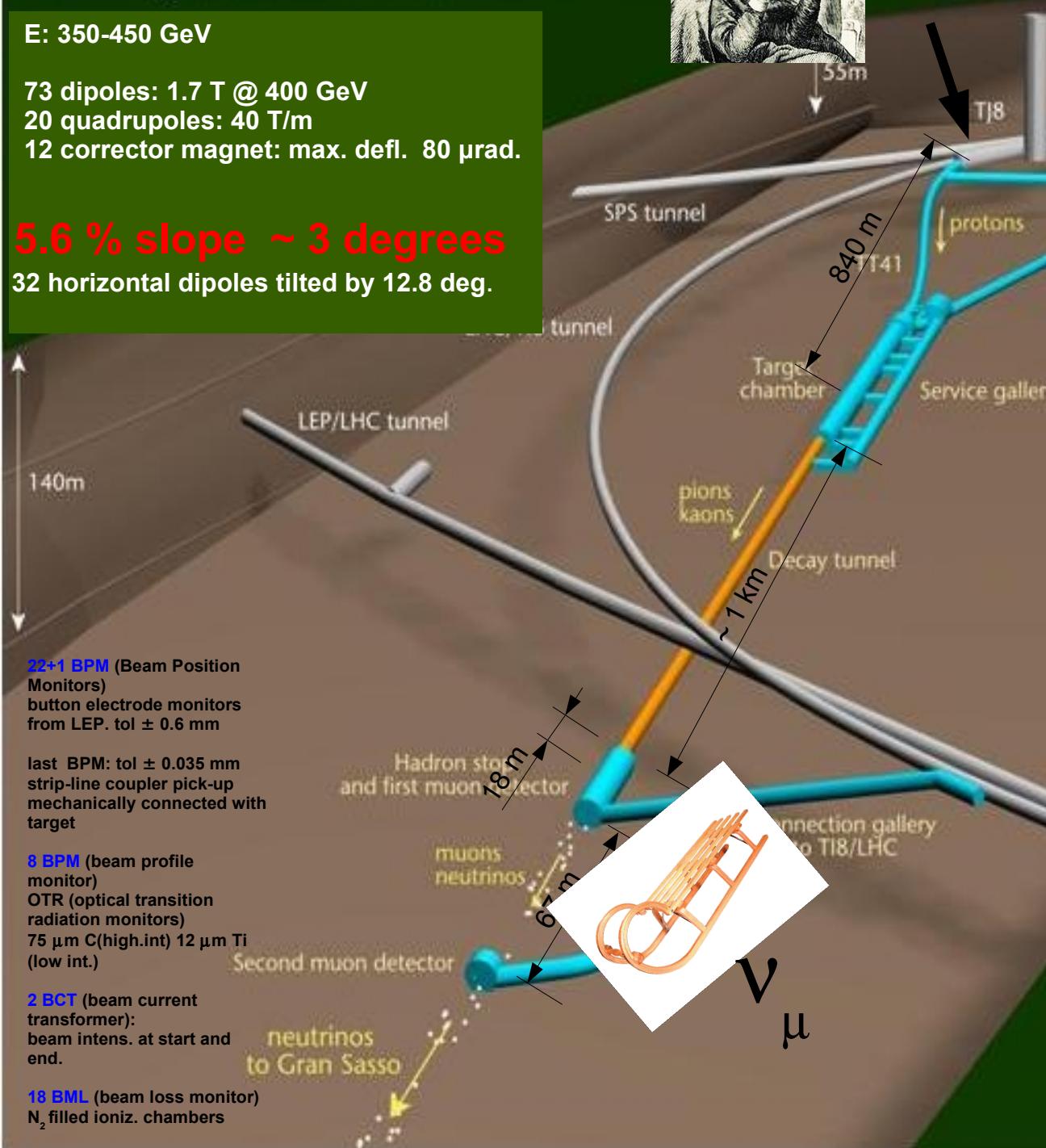
73 dipoles: 1.7 T @ 400 GeV

20 quadrupoles: 40 T/m

12 corrector magnet: max. defl. 80 μ rad.

LHC or
CNGS ?!

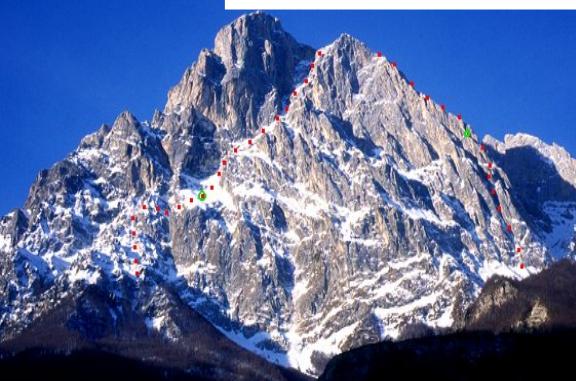
620 m arc + 120 m focusing section



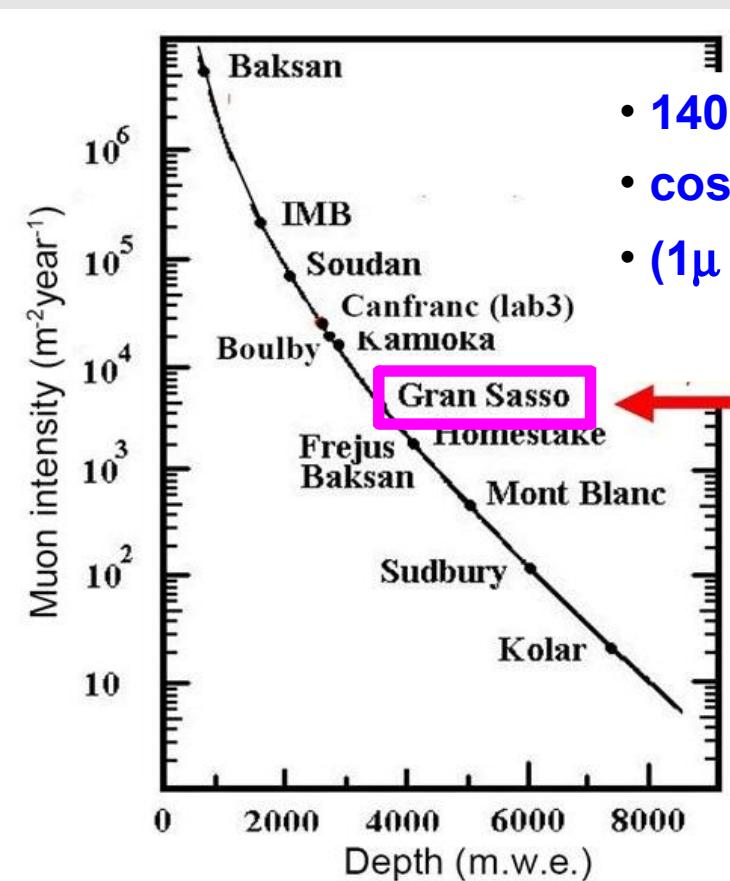
Finally at LNGS !

Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso
(the largest underground lab)

2912 m



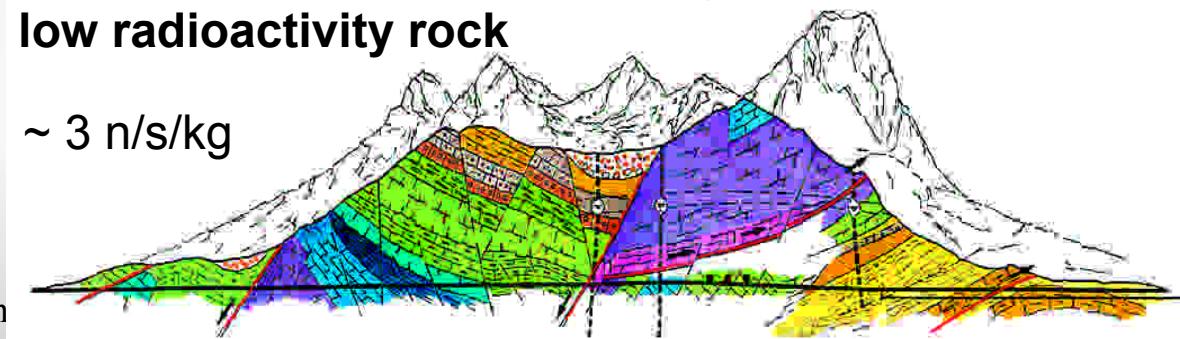
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HM $\beta\beta$, MACRO, GNO, BOREXINO, OPERA, ICARUS, CUORICINO, COBRA, CUORE, GERDA
- DM - CRESST, DAMA, LIBRA, HDMS, GENIUS-TF, XENON, WARP
- Particle & nuclear astrophysics - EASTOP, LVD, LUNA, VIP
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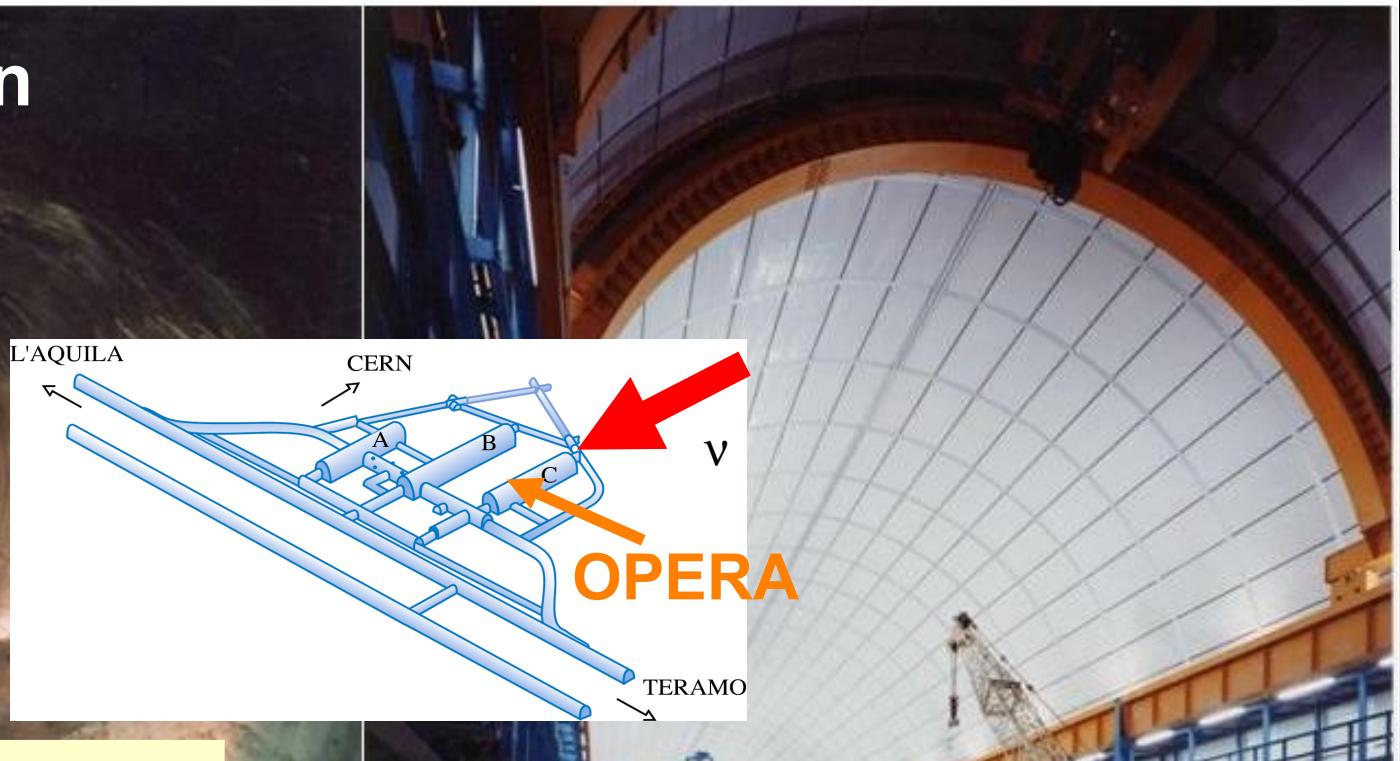
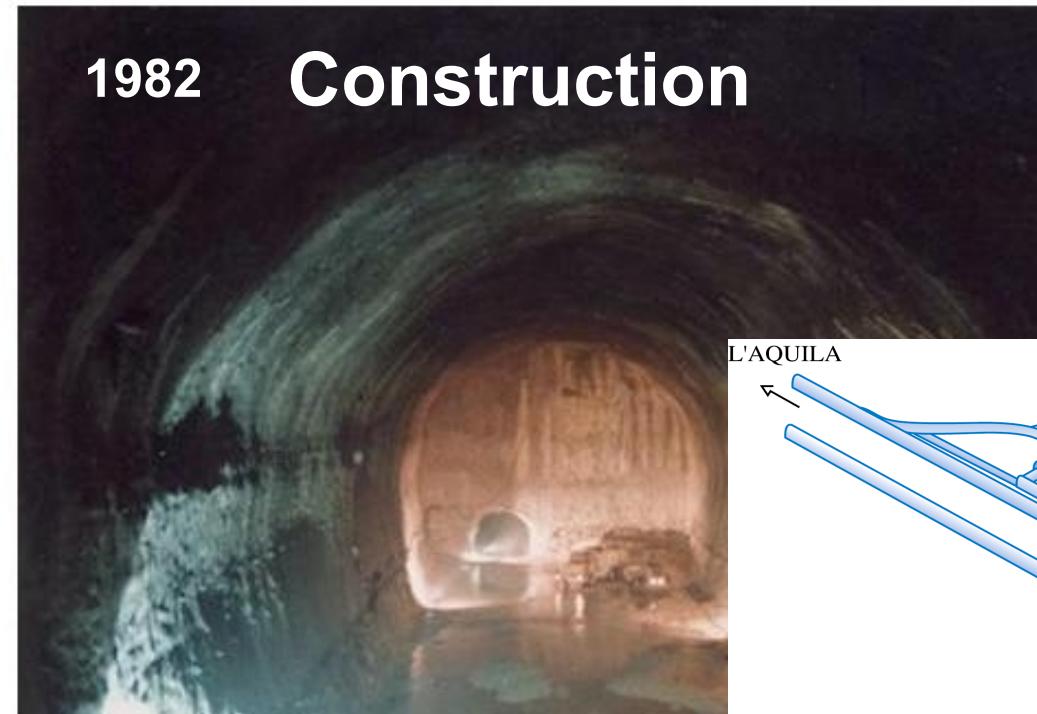
- 1400 m rock overburden
- cosmic μ reduction $\sim 10^6$
- ($1\mu /m^2/h$)



Surface INFN laboratory. 980 m



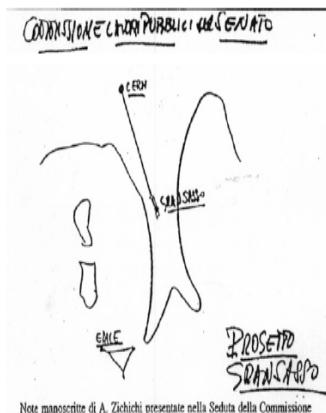
1982 Construction



- ~ 750 scientists from 25 countries



1979



To summarize, the scientific aims of the "Gran Sasso" laboratory are the study of:

- 1) nuclear stability;
- 2) neutrino astrophysics;
- 3) new cosmic phenomenology;
- 4) neutrino oscillations;
- 5) biologically active matter;
- 6) ground stability.

Not only $\tau_\nu \neq \infty$

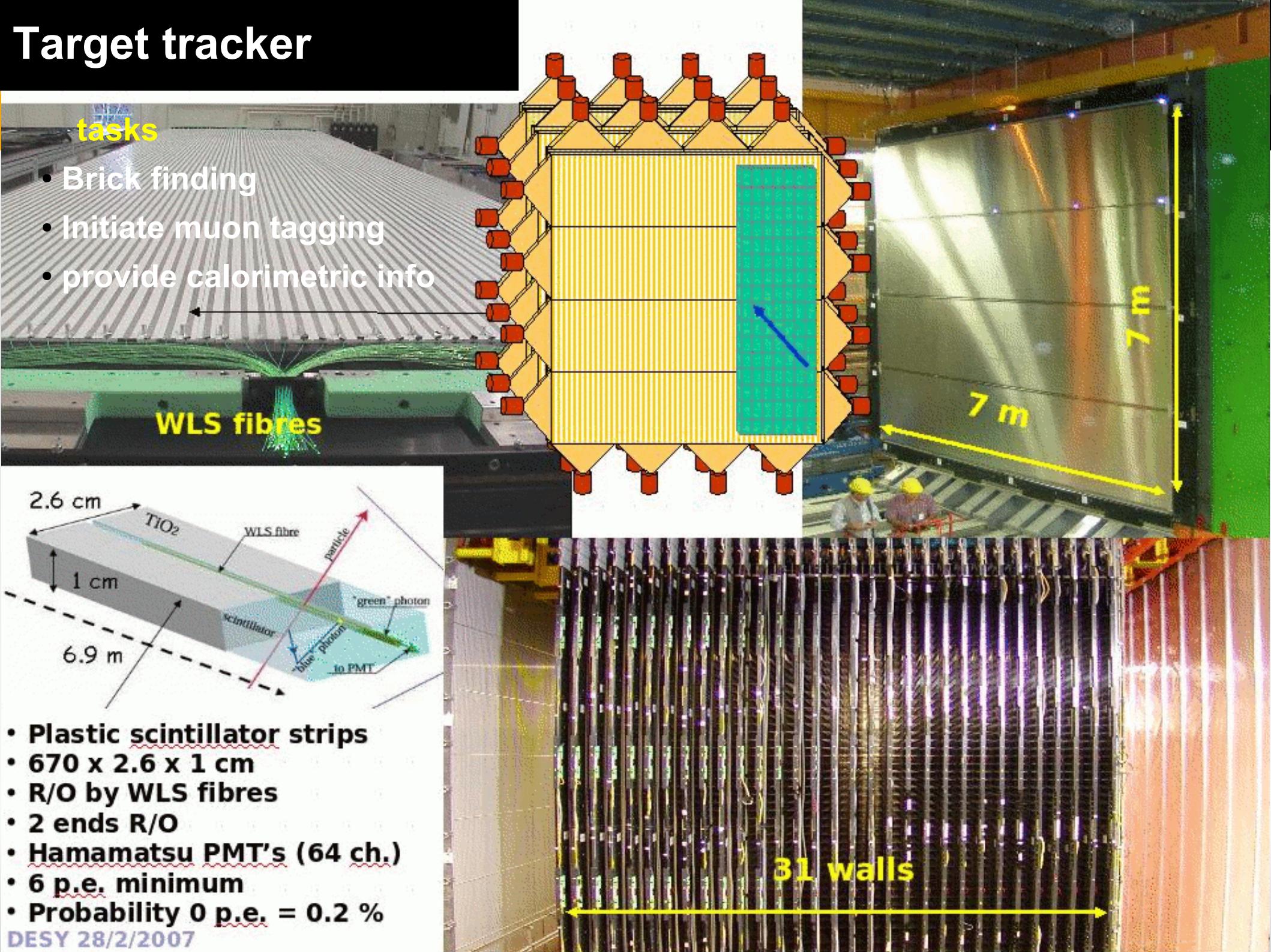


- 3 big experimental halls
- ~ 100 X 20 X 20 m
- ~ 18 000 m² underground
- easy access (motorway)
- aligned to CERN to ~1° level !

Target tracker

tasks

- Brick finding
- Initiate muon tagging
- provide calorimetric info



- Plastic scintillator strips
- 670 x 2.6 x 1 cm
- R/O by WLS fibres
- 2 ends R/O
- Hamamatsu PMT's (64 ch.)
- 6 p.e. minimum
- Probability 0 p.e. = 0.2 %

Lead production

- Pb + 0.07% Ca with packaging in air
 - ✓ good mechanical properties
 - 10 μ m planarity and 100 μ m at edge
 - ✓ low radioactivity
- produced in Germany (JL Goslar GmbH)
- sent by trucks (~ 100 shipments)



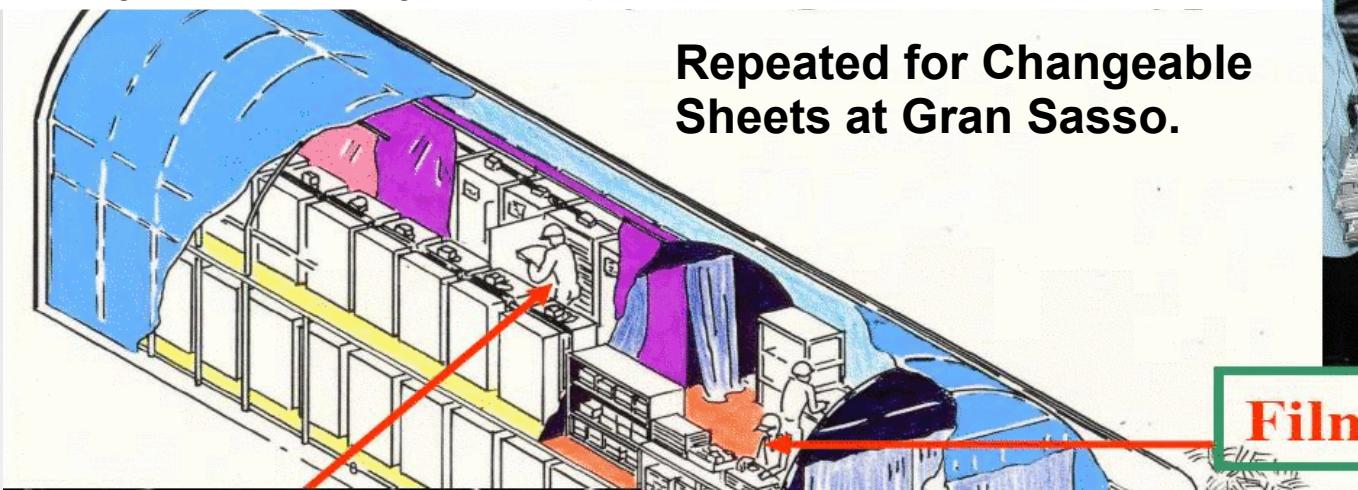
The refreshing at Tono mine (a huge work!)

Production ~ 1 month ~ 3k tracks/cm² (cosmic) >> max density = 100 tracks/cm² for brick analysis =>
REFRESHING (stimulated fading of latent image, "erasing" of previous history)

3days @ 98% RH and 27°C: grain density of tracks: 36 → <10 grains/100μm with unvaried sensitivity (34 grains/100μm)

Depth of 50 m and 100 m: cosmic flux ~ 1/50 and 1/400

- ~ 10M emulsions treated by hand
- ~ 3k tracks/cm² → ~100 tracks/cm²
- fog increase 3 → 6 grains/1000 μm³



Repeated for Changeable
Sheets at Gran Sasso.

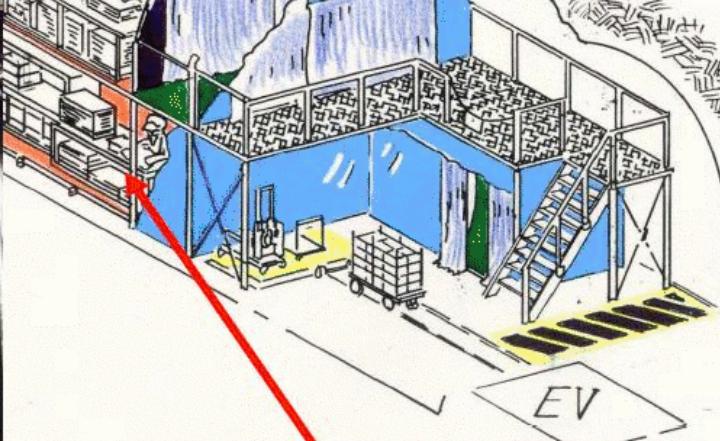
R&D @ Nagoya & Fujifilm



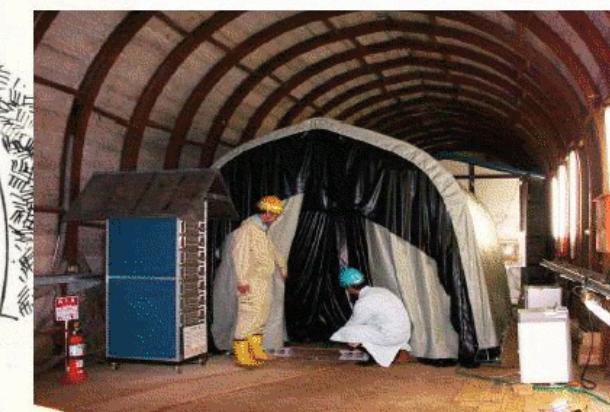
Film lay out on the plate



Film installation



Vacuum packing



Room Size

4.5m × 4.5m × 20m

Emulsion delivery (2005)



- Shipment to Gran Sasso **by sea** in ~ 1 month (kept at 15 C and vertical: less cosmics, especially electrons w.r.t. Aircraft): $\sim 1000 /cm^2$
- Special underground storage at Gran Sasso (Hall B). 5 cm Fe shielding @ 15-18 C ($1 \mu/m^2/h$)
- Memory of emulsion order during transportation (from Japan to Europe) is kept and taken into account during brick assembly. Segments which are aligned assuming a spacing equal to the emulsion thickness (cosmics recorded during transportation) are discarded at analysis level : "**virtual erasing**" concept. **Very powerful technique:**
- **43 ± 4 (Tono) $\rightarrow 113 \pm 20$ tracks/cm²** with **virtual erasing** and **$1000 \pm 50 /cm^2$ without !**

The BMS eyes



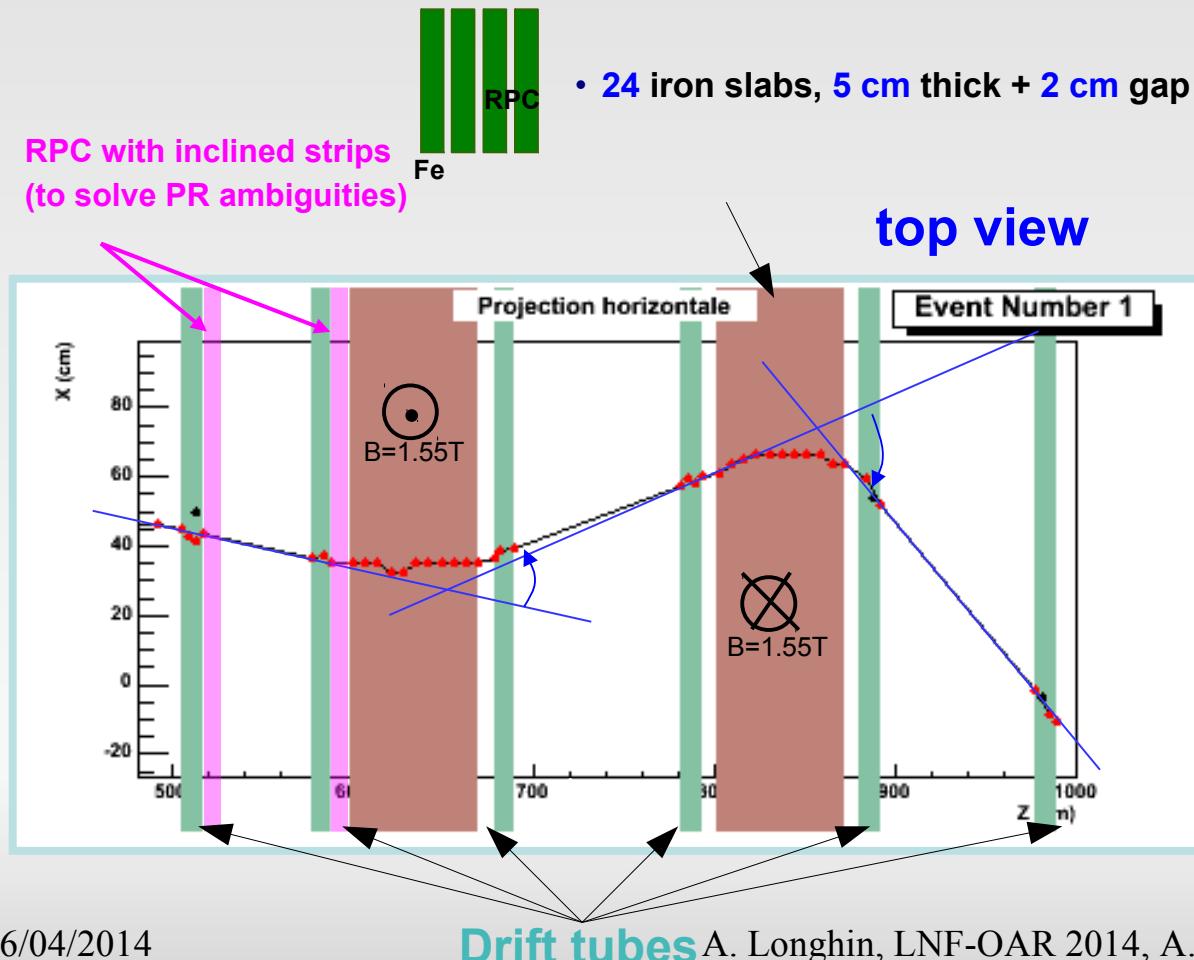
Pictures of a tray taken by the BMS vision system before (left) and after (right) insertion of bricks. The shadow of the tray visible on the brick surface is used to compute the distance of the brick with respect to the tray border.

The muon spectrometer

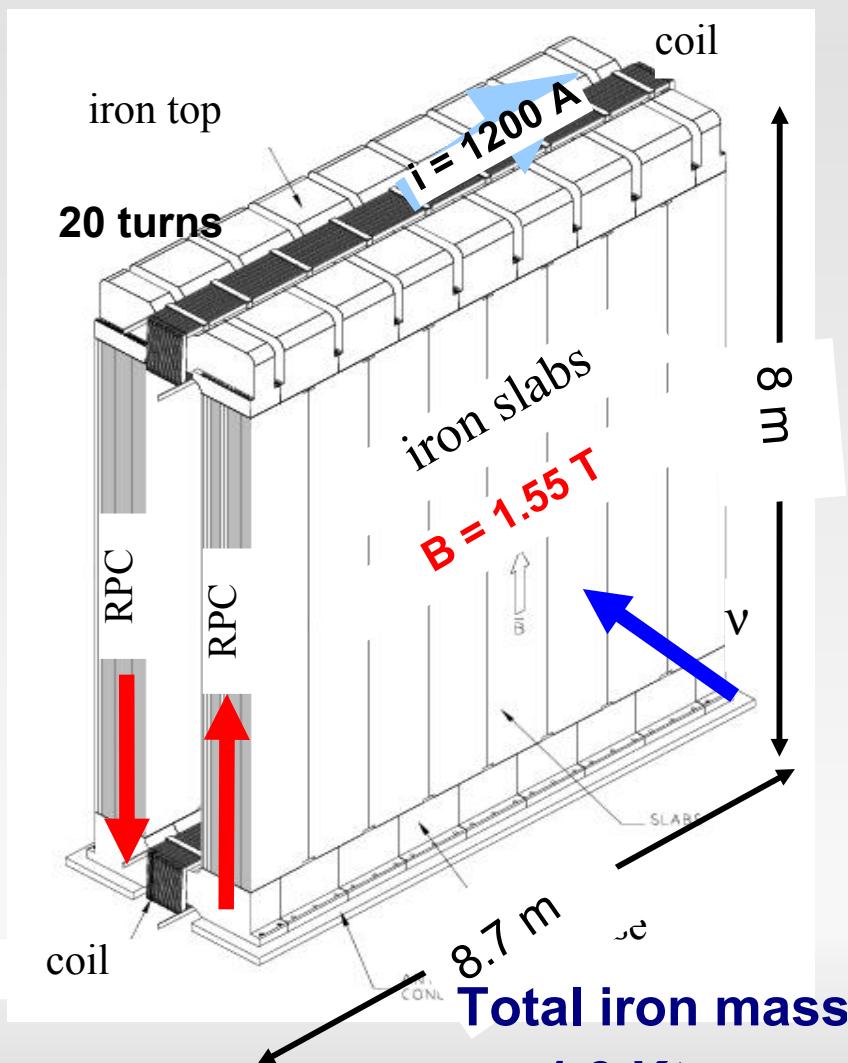
(one per supermodule)

Charm background rejection
Muon identification (Spectrometer+TT) > 95%
 $\Delta p / p < 20\%$ for $p < 30$ GeV
Charge misidentification < 0.3%

- **Inner trackers** iron yoke gaps instrumented with **RPCs**
 horizontal and vertical strips with digital readout $\sigma \sim \text{cm}$
 - Tracking and p from range for stopping mu
- **Precision trackers** 6 vertical **drift tubes** stations. $\sigma \sim 0.3$ mm
 - Precise charge mis-ID / p measurement

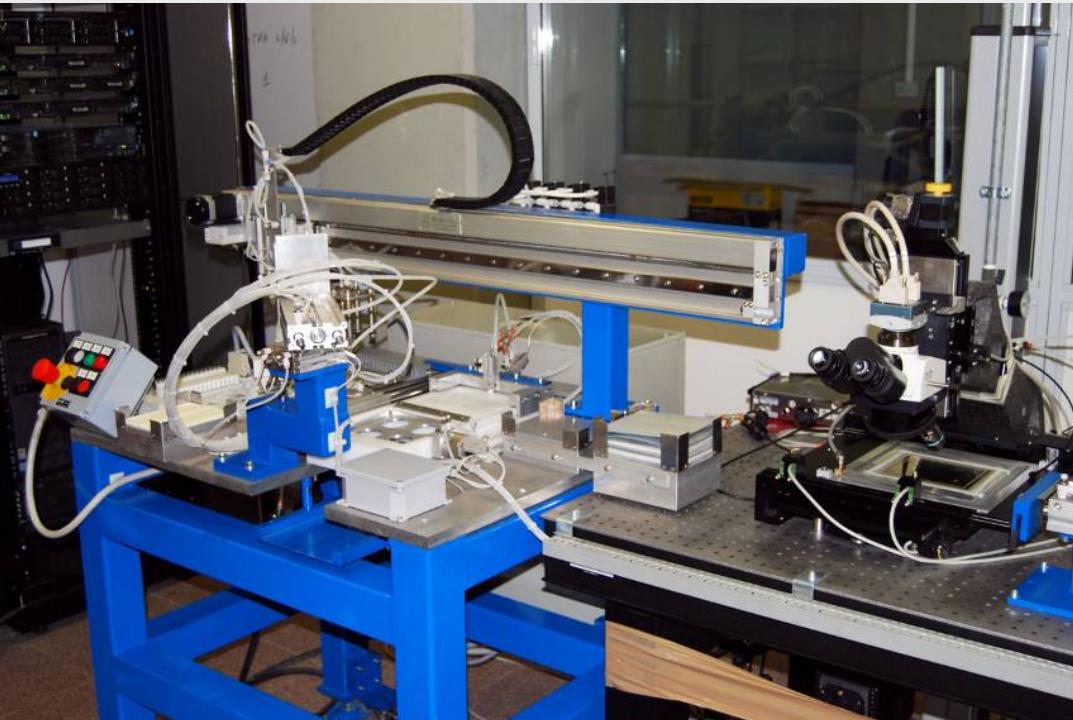


- **Bipolar magnet ($B=1.55$ T)**



Auxiliary systems to automate the scan-back procedure

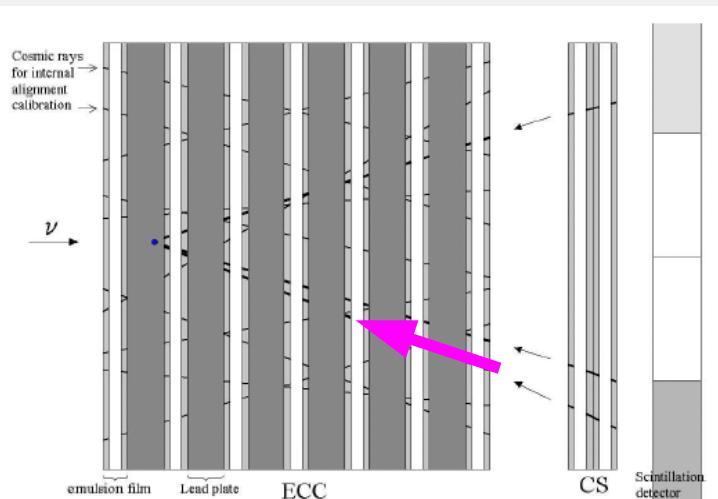
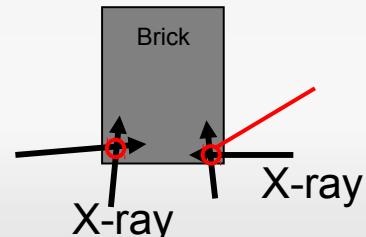
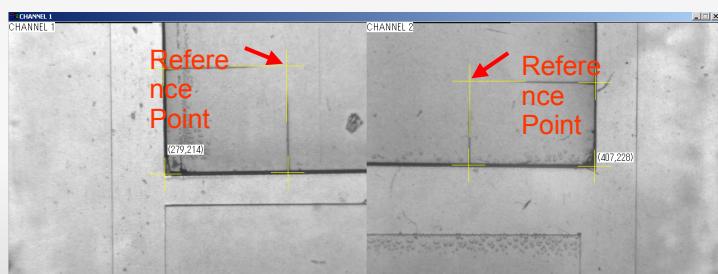
Europe: mechanical plate changer



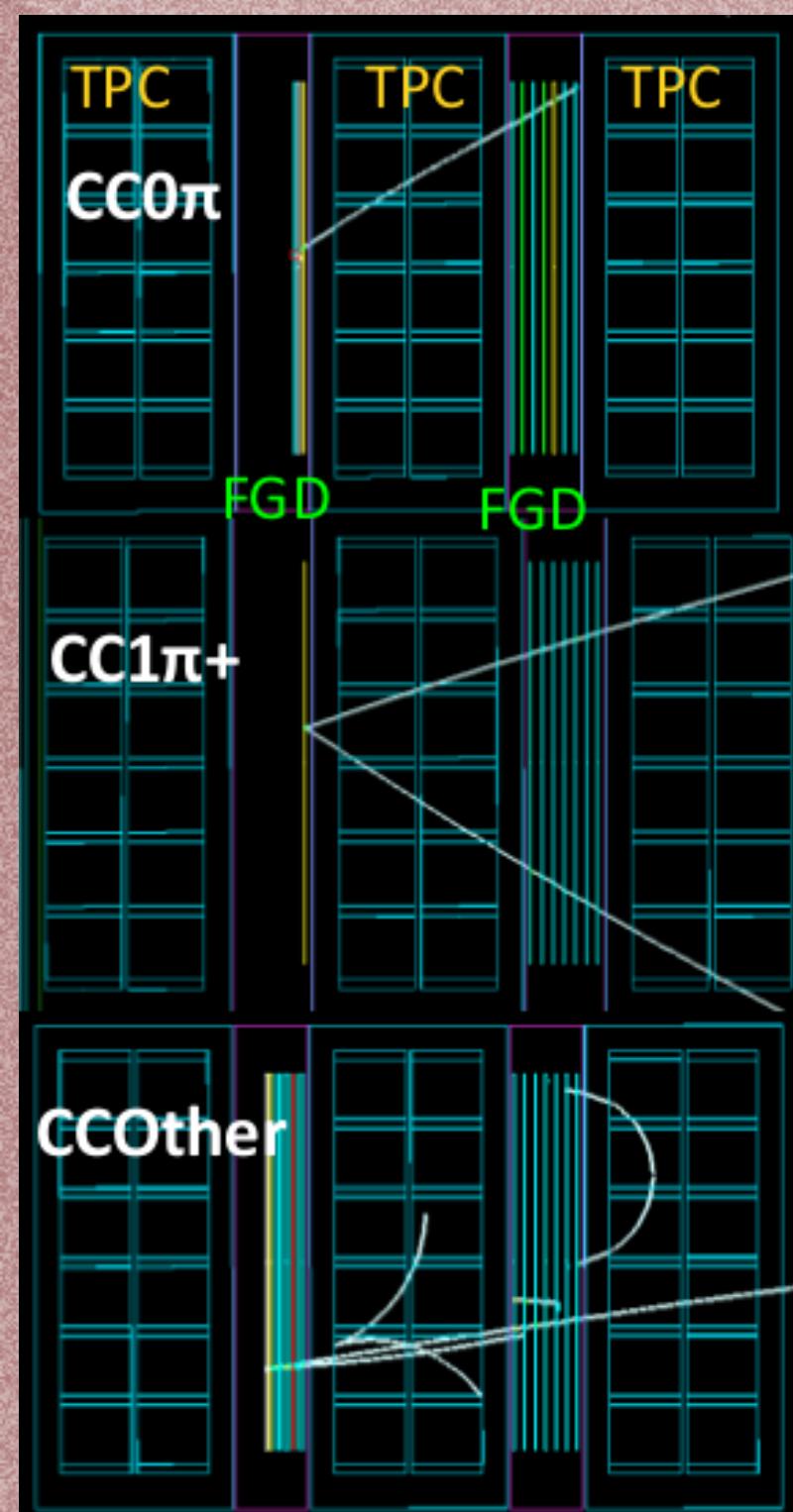
Japan- emulsion glued to a rolling strip



Allows to run the scan-back procedure without human intervention (i.e. overnight)

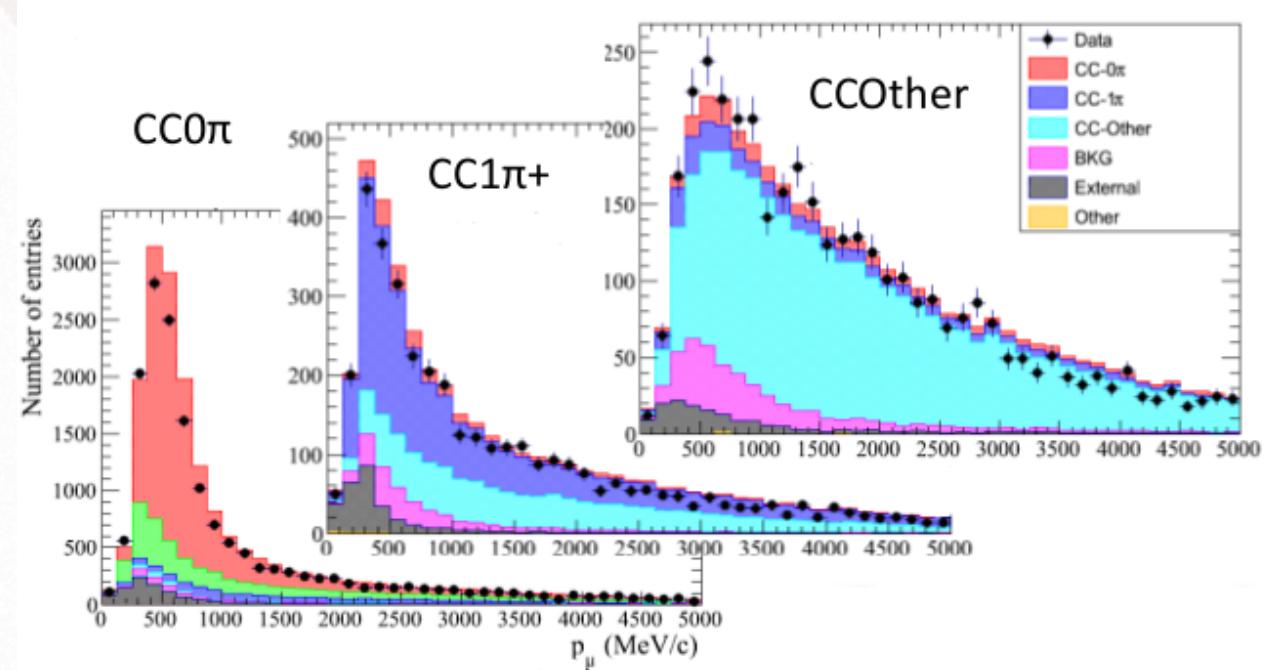


Analisi al rivelatore vicino off-axis



Fit dello spettro dei ν_μ per vincolare il flusso e la sezione d'urto (i ν_μ vincolano anche i ν_e)

3 sotto-campioni con π nello stato finale:
“CC 0 π ”, “CC 1 π ” e “CC other”

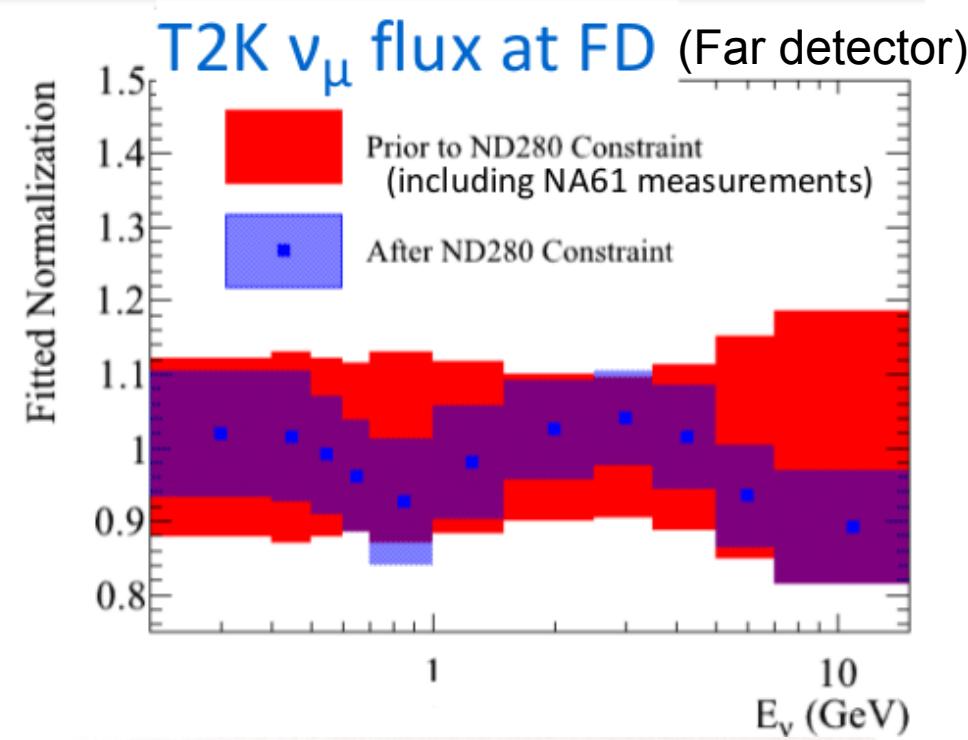
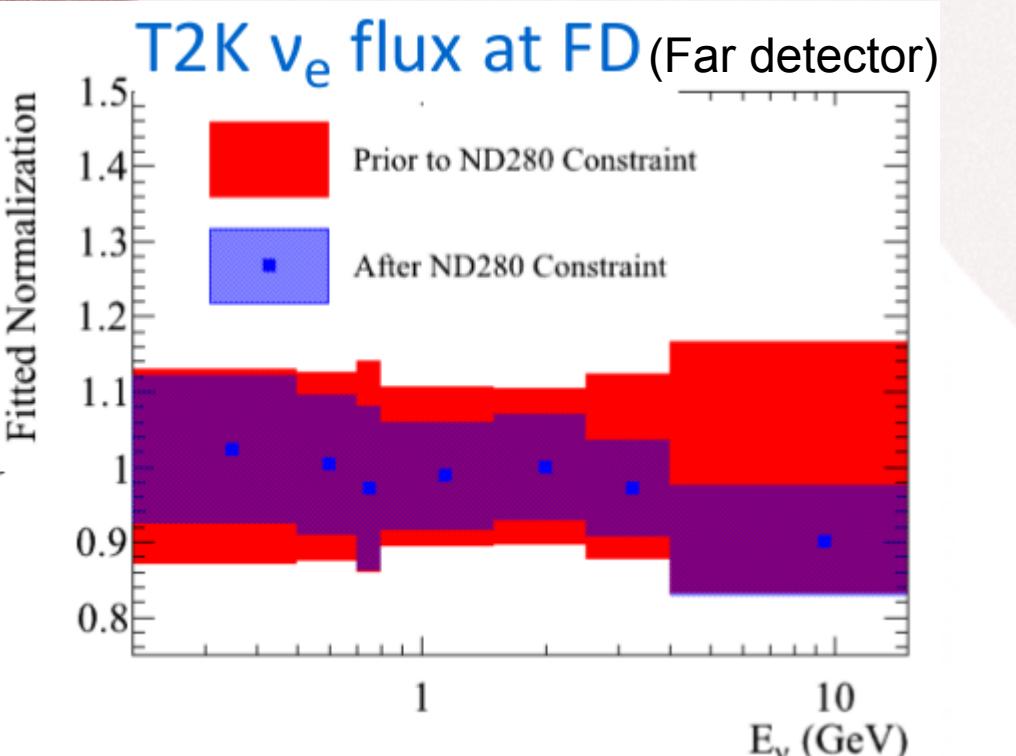


“Impatto” del rivelatore vicino

Adro-produzione da misure dirette al CERN su una replica esatta del bersaglio (esperimento NA61)

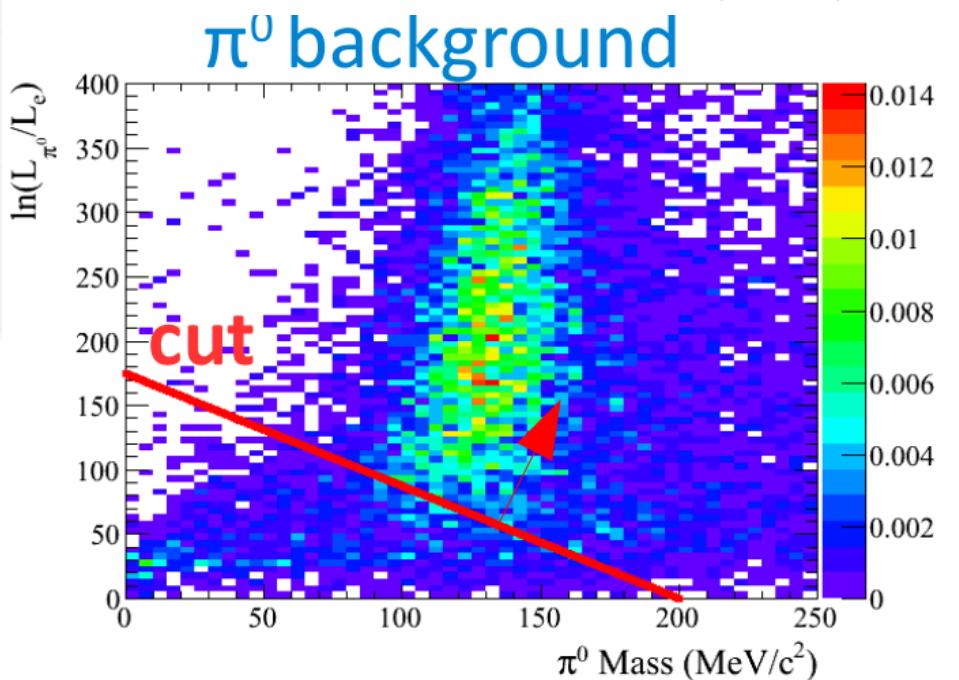
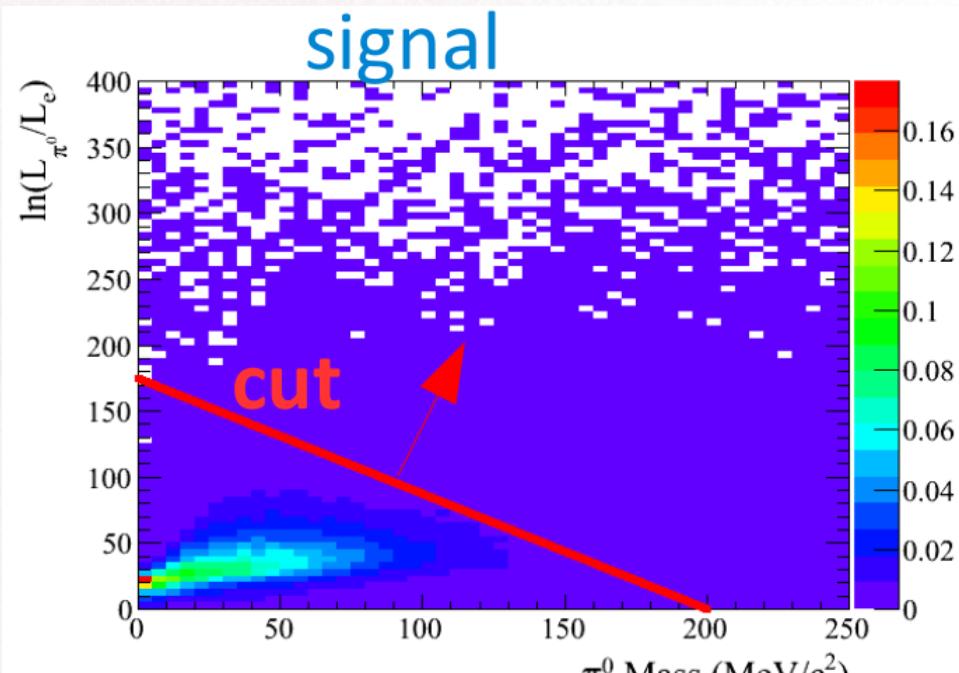
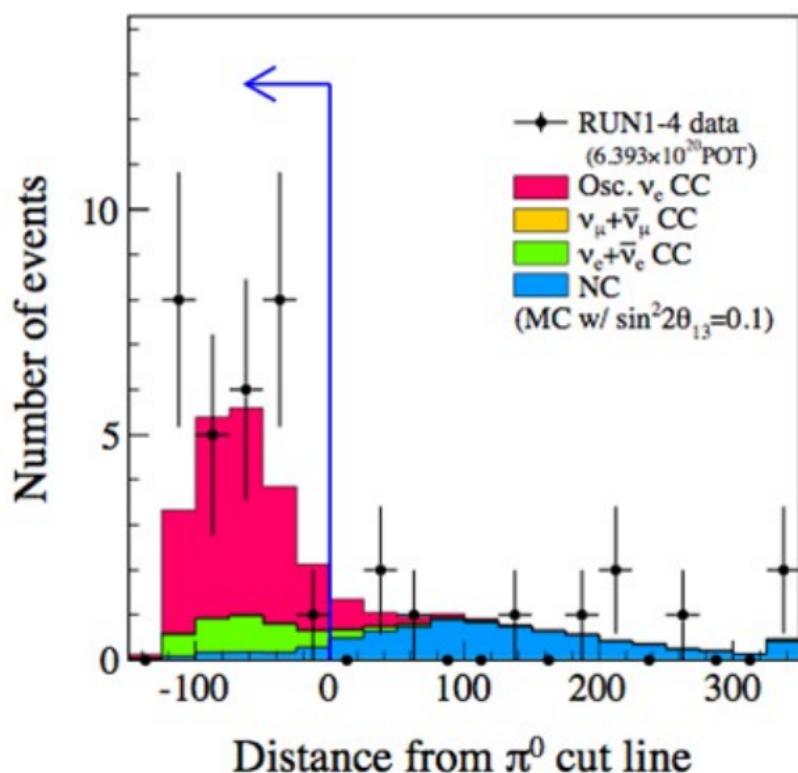
Riduzione del sistematico sugli eventi al far da incertezze sul fascio e sulle sezioni d'urto

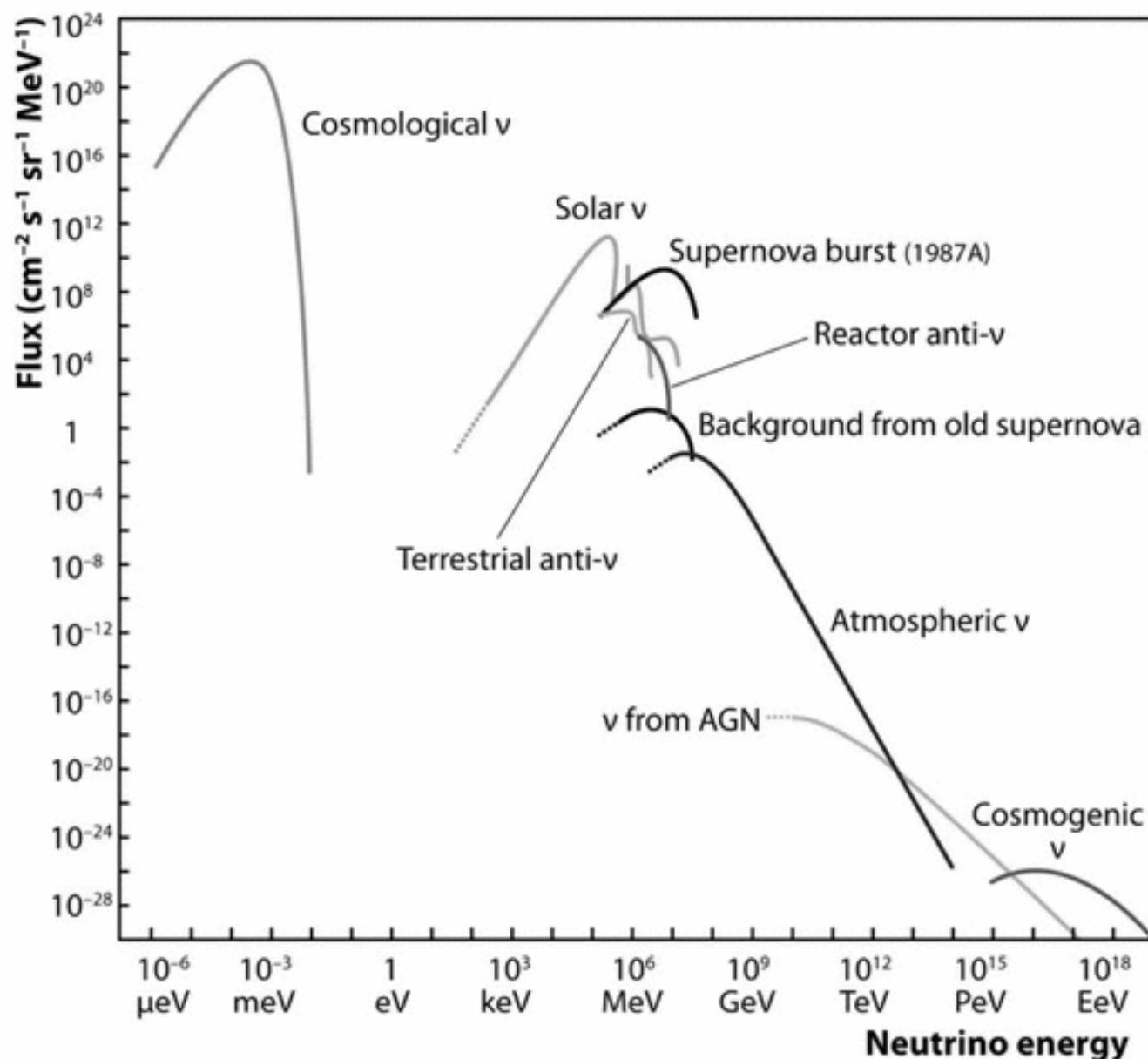
Parametro	Prima	Con la misura di ND280
M_A^{QE} (GeV)	1.21 ± 0.45	1.223 ± 0.072
M_A^{RES} (GeV)	1.41 ± 0.22	0.963 ± 0.063
Norm. CC-QE	1.00 ± 0.11	0.961 ± 0.076
Norm. CC- π	1.15 ± 0.32	1.22 ± 0.16
Norm. NC- π^0	0.96 ± 0.33	1.10 ± 0.25



Miglioramento nella reiezione dei π^0 in Super-K

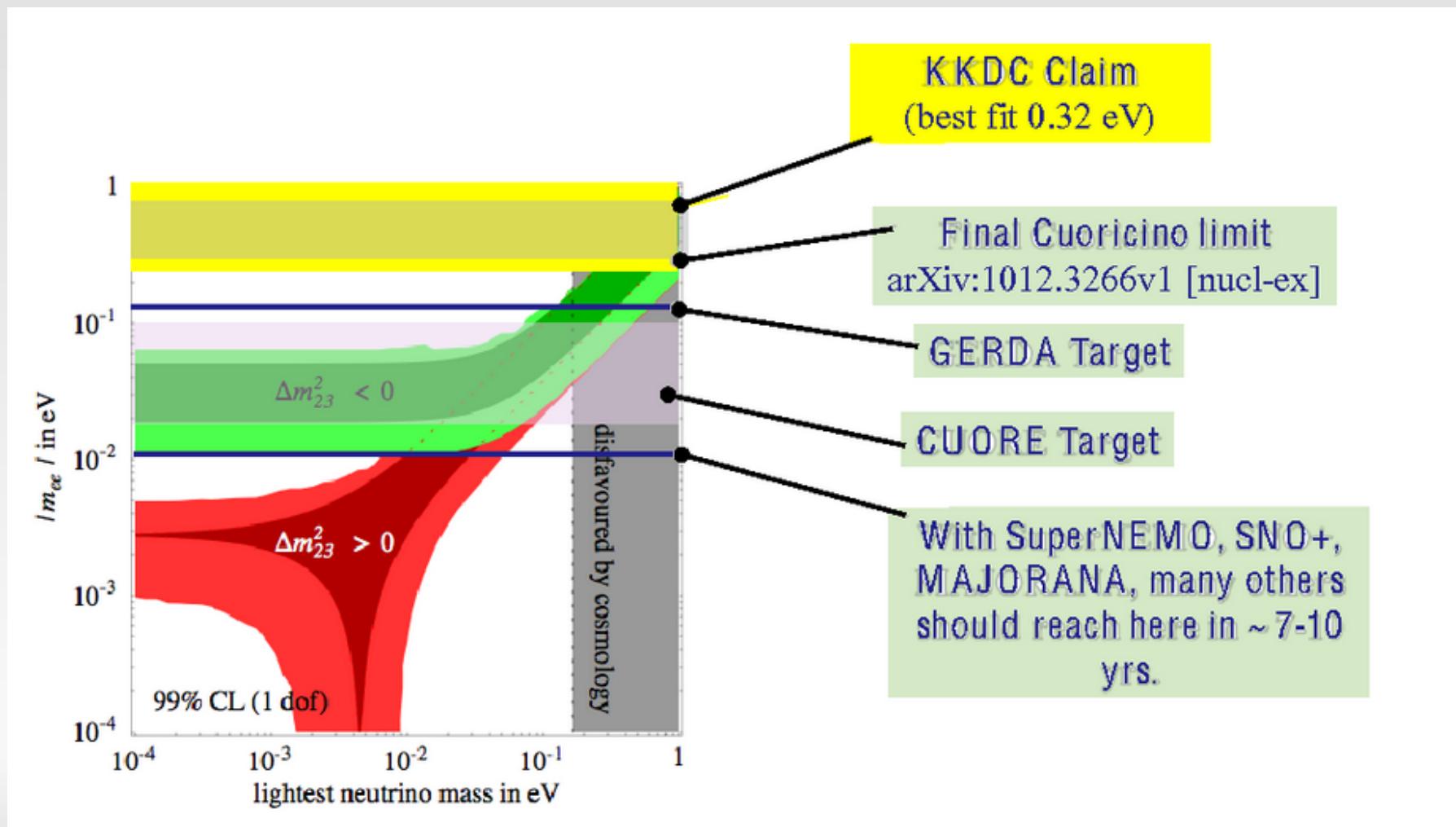
- PDF di carica e tempo per ogni PMT e ogni topologia di evento (e , μ , π^0)
- confronto tra le likelihood di best-fit (e/μ , 1/2/3 rings etc.) → si seleziona la migliore ipotesi
- migliore particle-ID e risoluzione in momento
- usato per rigettare i π^0 (fondo dominante dei ν_e)
- il taglio in 2D rimuove il 70% dei π^0 che sopravvivevano usando l'algoritmo precedente
→ **riduzione totale del fondo del 27%**!





Towards the inverted hierarchy

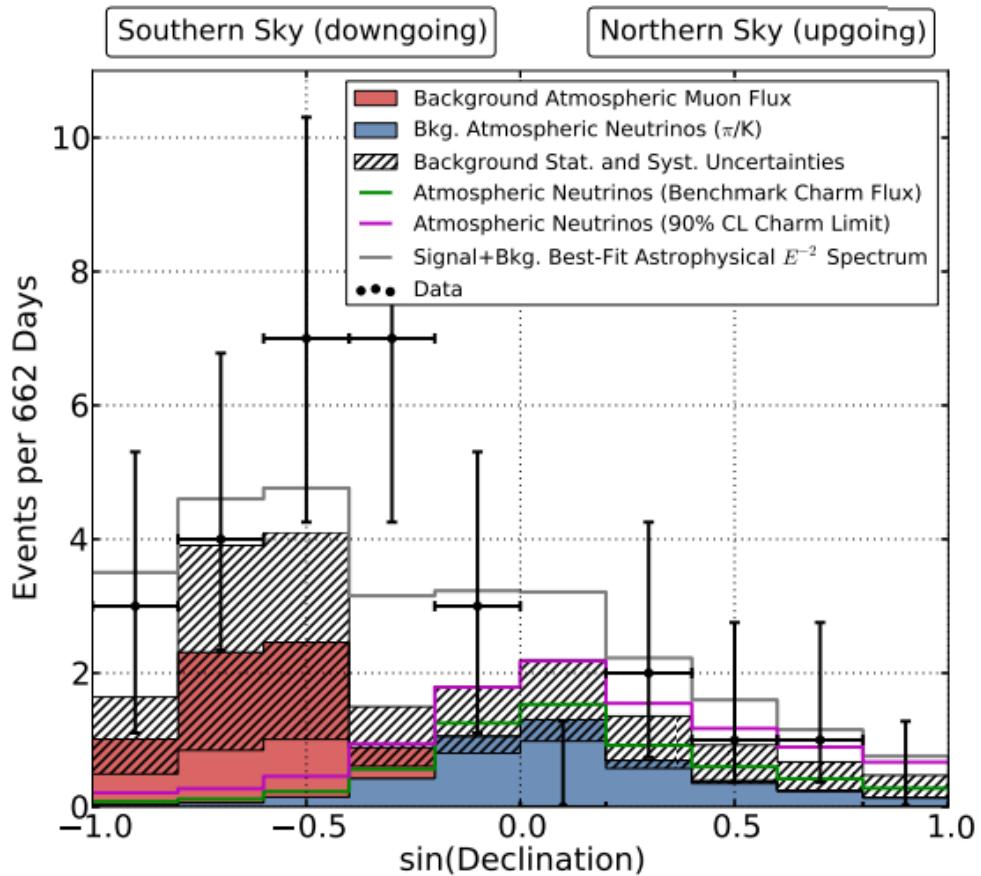
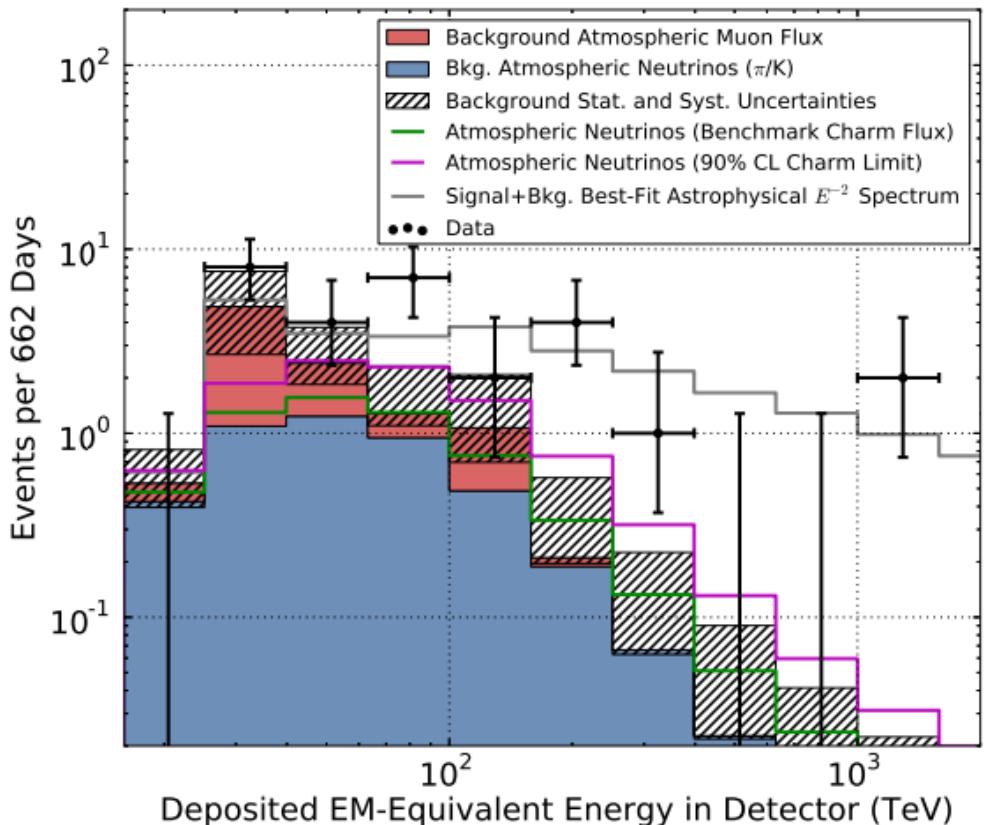
If the hierarchy is inverted and the neutrino is a Majorana particle signals should be seen in the next generation of experiments



IceCube results

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Evidence for High-Energy Extraterrestrial Neutrinos at the IceCube Detector



28 events (2010-2012). 4 down-going. Background: $10.5^{+5.0}_{-3.6}$. Explanation with atmospheric ν only excluded at $\sim 4 \sigma$. Consistent with generic models (E^{-2}) of extraterrestrial neutrinos. Energies up to PeV (2 events). 7 track + 14 shower-like: consistent w. equal mixture of ν_μ , ν_e and ν_τ .

La "lunga strada" verso l'appearance

- **Scomparsa** dei ν_μ effetto “leading”: deficit atmosferici (1998)
 - scoperta oscillazioni Super-KAMIOKANDE, MACRO
- Al contrario se guardiamo all'**appearance**:

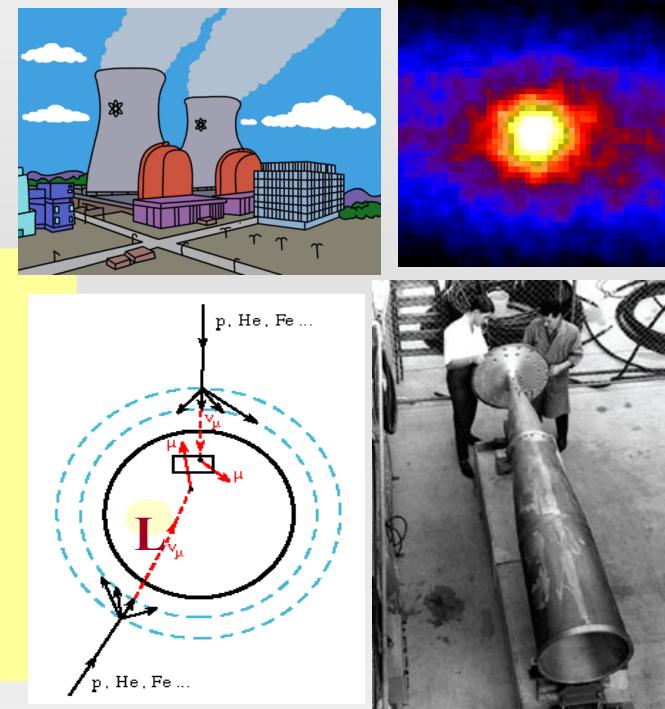
Alla **scala solare**: Sorgenti: reattori e ν solari

$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ stato finale con μ sotto soglia! (SNO conta i NC)

Alla **scala atmosferica** Sorgenti: ν atmosferici, fasci artificiali

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ stato finale "RARO"! soppressione da θ_{13} ?

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ stato finale "DIFFICILE" ! (per massa e $c\tau$)



Com'e' "andata a finire" ?

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ Rivelazione (evento-per-evento): una sfida sperimentale e ingegneristica di primo livello.

Fascio O(10) piu' energetico (17 GeV) di ogni altro LBL ($m(\tau)$)

Rivelatori "fine-grained O(100) piu' massicci dei predecessori SBL (i.e. CHORUS)

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$

- Nuovo fascio (0.6 GeV) → grande Water-Cherenkov pre-esistente (SK).
- Nuovo rivelatore vicino per caratterizzare i fondi e la normalizzazione.
- Scomparsa anti- ν_e ai reattori (2012, Daya-Bay, RENO, DCHOOZ) θ_{13} si e' rivelato "grande" !

Target
Trackers

μ spectrometer

Pb/Em.
target

V

8 m

A "hybrid" detector

Electronic detectors

detect ν interaction, brick finding

μ -ID, Q and p : bckg suppression

based on the only proven technology (DONUT) to identify ν_τ on an event-by-event basis (nucl.emuls.&lead driven by real time detectors). A major engineering achievement: brought such technology to an immense size (1.25 kton)

The OPERA way

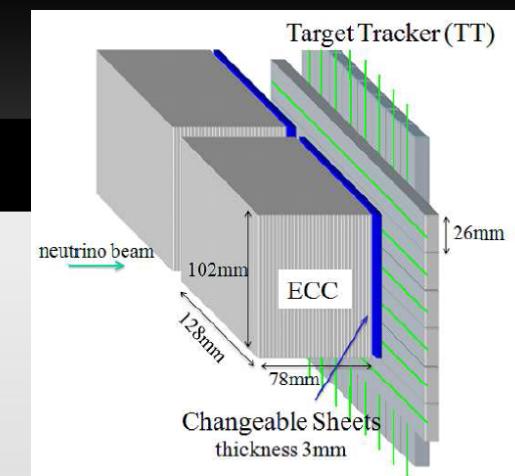
Extract bricks according to electronic det. prediction

Pb/Em. brick

ECC

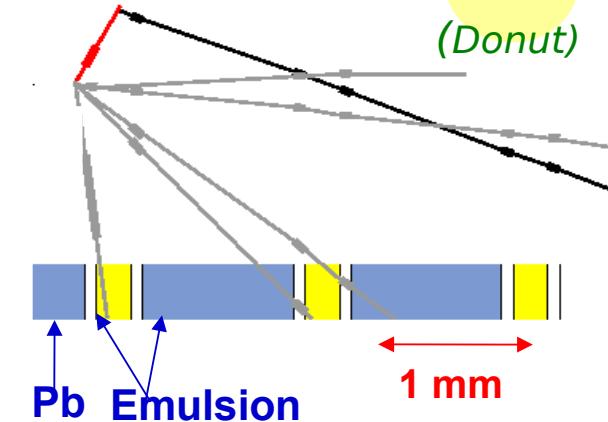
8 cm

1 cm



Basic "cell"

ν_τ
(Donut)



Emulsion detectors:

modular structure of 150000 ECCs

mass industrial production with high standards

FAST-AUTOMATIC scanning

vertex search, decay search, e/ μ ID, event kinematics

~10 M

