

# Physics & technology of JUNO



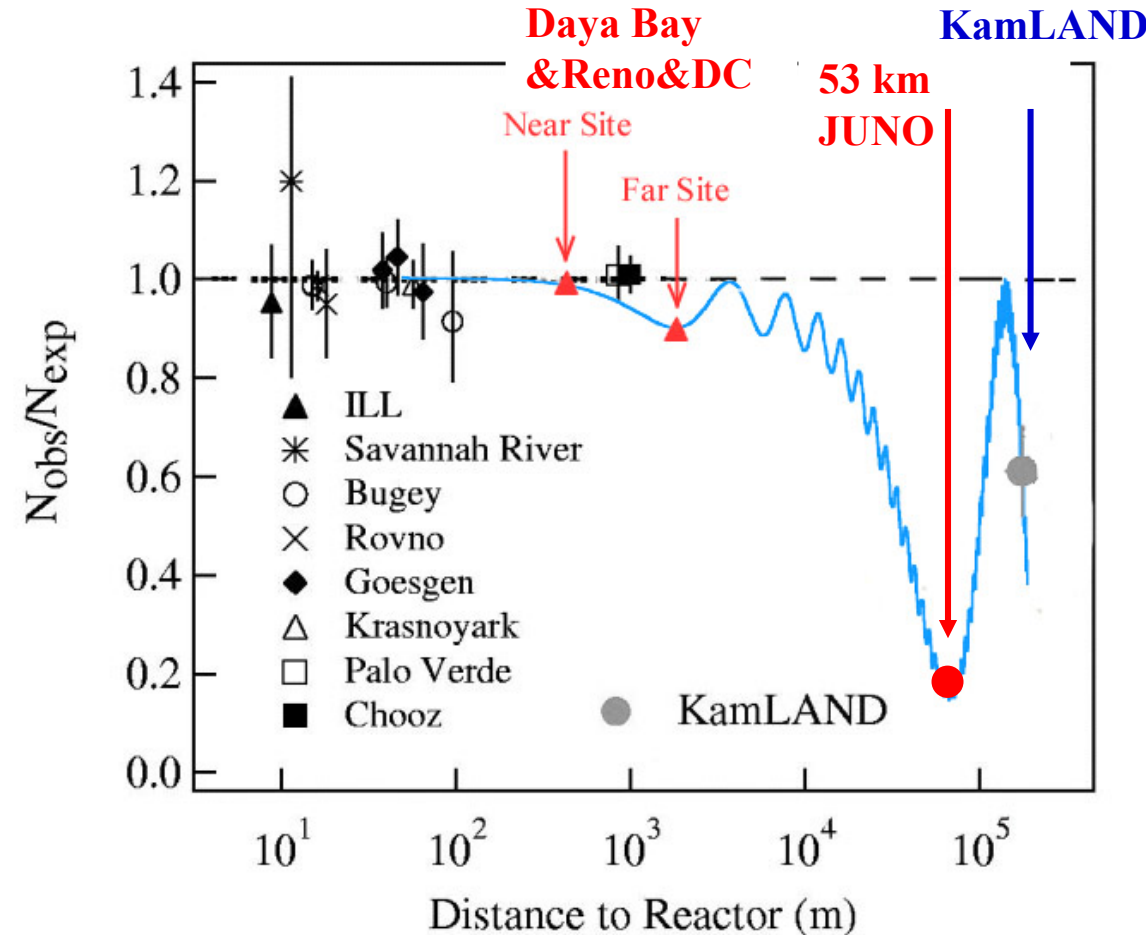
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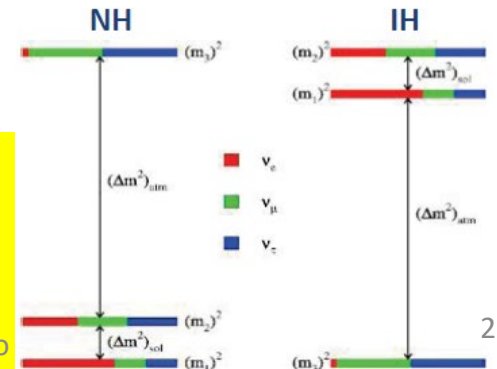
**Online meeting**

- Determination of the neutrino mass hierarchy with a large mass liquid scintillation detector located at medium distance – 53 km – from a set of high power nuclear complexes
- Precise measurements of oscillation parameters
- Vast astroparticle program
- Technical challenges and status of the construction

# JUNO physics summary



- ◆ 20 kton LS detector
- ◆ ~3 % energy resolution-the greatest challenge
- ◆ Rich physics possibilities
  - ⇒ Mass hierarchy
  - ⇒ Precision measurement of 3 mixing parameters
  - ⇒ Supernovae neutrinos
  - ⇒ Geoneutrinos
  - ⇒ Diffuse Supernovae  $\nu$ 's
  - ⇒ Atmos&sol neutrinos
  - ⇒ Nucleon Decay
  - ⇒ Exotic searches



*Neutrino Physics with JUNO*, J. Phys. G 43, 030401 (2016)  
 The tension between the solar and KamLAND  $\Delta m^2$  has further boosted the importance of the precision  $\Delta m^2_{21}$  measurement

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# The physics with a large LS spherical detector

- LS large volume: → for statistics
- High Light(PE) → for energy resolution 1200 pe/MeV

Both crucial for the physics capabilities

Steel Truss to support the acrylic and hold PMTS

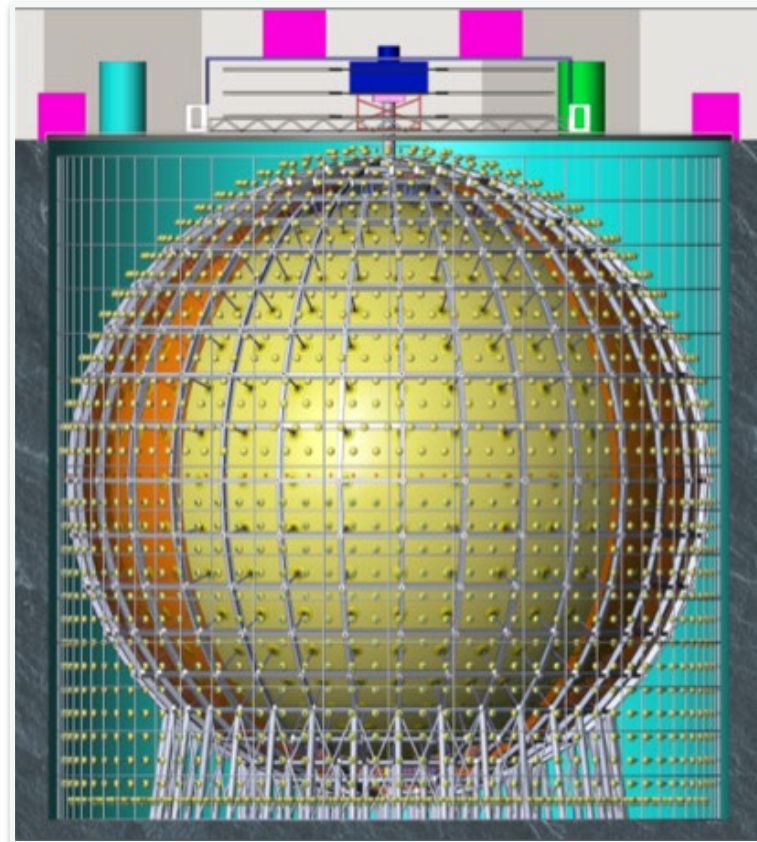
~20000 x 20"

18000 Inner

2000 veto

~25000 x 3"

Acrylic Sphere filled with 20 kt LS



JUNO has been approved in China in Feb. 2013

Participation and contributions from several other countries:

- Armenia
- Belgium
- Brazil
- Chile
- Czechia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Italy
- Latvia
- Pakistan
- Russia
- Slovakia
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- USA

# The importance of the location

NPP	Daya Bay	Huizhou	Lufeng	Yangjiang	Taishan
Status	Operational	Planned	Planned	6 built	2 built + 2 future
Power	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	18.4 GW

Overburden ~ 700 m

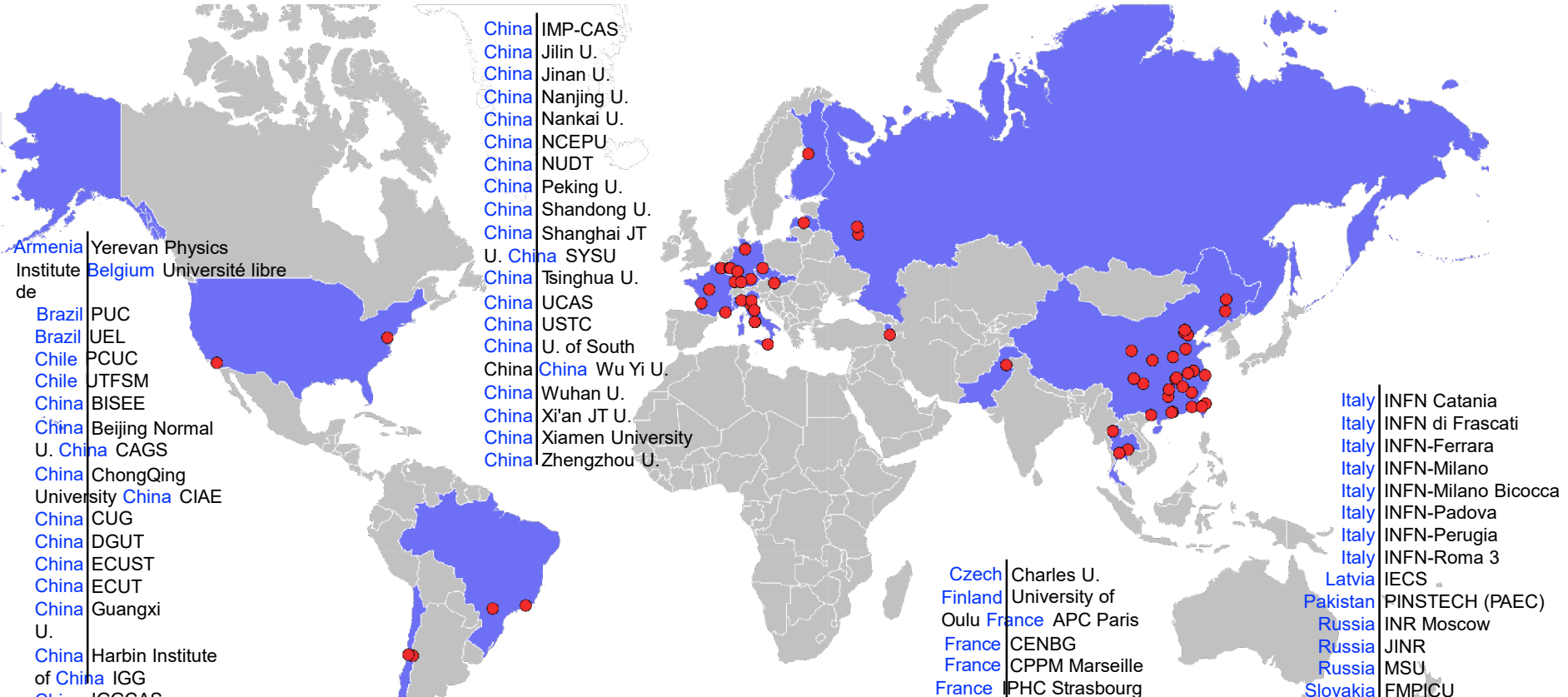
by 2020: 26.6 GW



Cores	YJ-C1	YJ-C2	YJ-C3	YJ-C4	YJ-C5	YJ-C6
Power (GW)	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Baseline (km)	52.75	52.84	52.42	52.51	52.12	52.21
Cores	TS-C1	TS-C2	TS-C3	TS-C4	DYB	HZ
Power (GW)	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	17.4	17.4
Baseline (km)	52.76	52.63	52.32	52.20	215	265



# JUNO collaboration

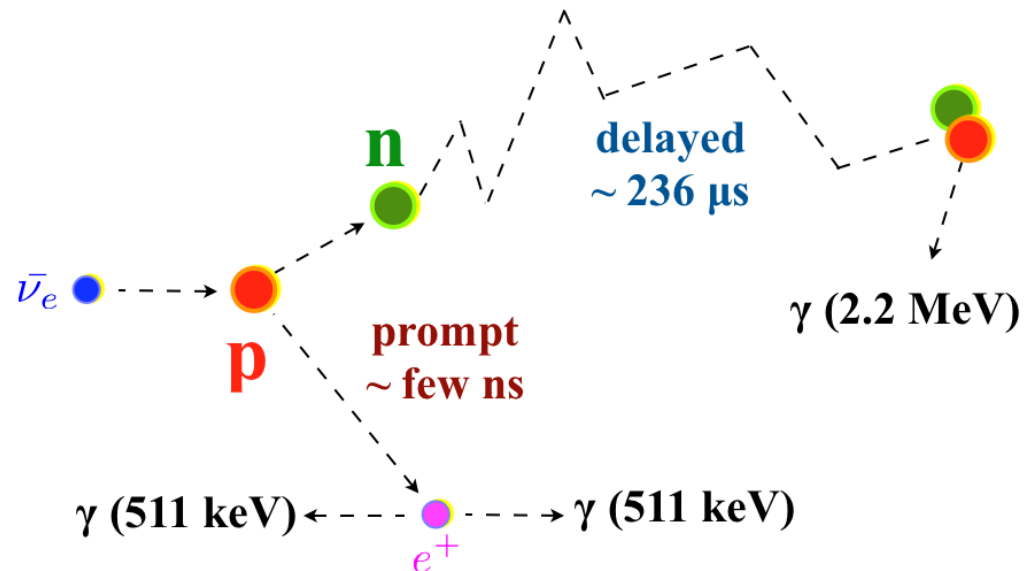
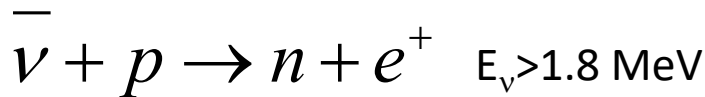


**Collaboration established on July 2014**  
**Now 77 institutions ~600 collaborators**

# Methodology to infer the Mass Hierarchy

The determination of the mass hierarchy relies on the identification on the positron spectrum of the “imprinting” of the anti- $\nu_e$  survival probability

Detection through the classical inverse beta decay reaction



The time coincidence between the positron and the  $\gamma$  from the capture rejects the uncorrelated background

The “observable” for the mass hierarchy determination is the positron spectrum  
 It results that  $E_{\text{vis}}(e^+) = E(\nu) - 0.8 \text{ MeV}$

# MH and Survival probability

arXiv 1210.8141

$$P_{ee} = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei} \exp\left(-i \frac{m_i^2}{2E_i}\right) U_{ei}^* \right|^2$$

$$= 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

$$- \cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(\Delta_{31})$$

$$- \sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(\Delta_{32})$$

$$\Delta_{ij} \equiv \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E_\nu}, \quad (\Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_i^2 - m_j^2)$$

Or to make the effect of the  
mass hierarchy explicit,  
exploiting the approximation  
 $\Delta m_{32}^2 \approx \Delta m_{31}^2$ :

$$P_{ee} = 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

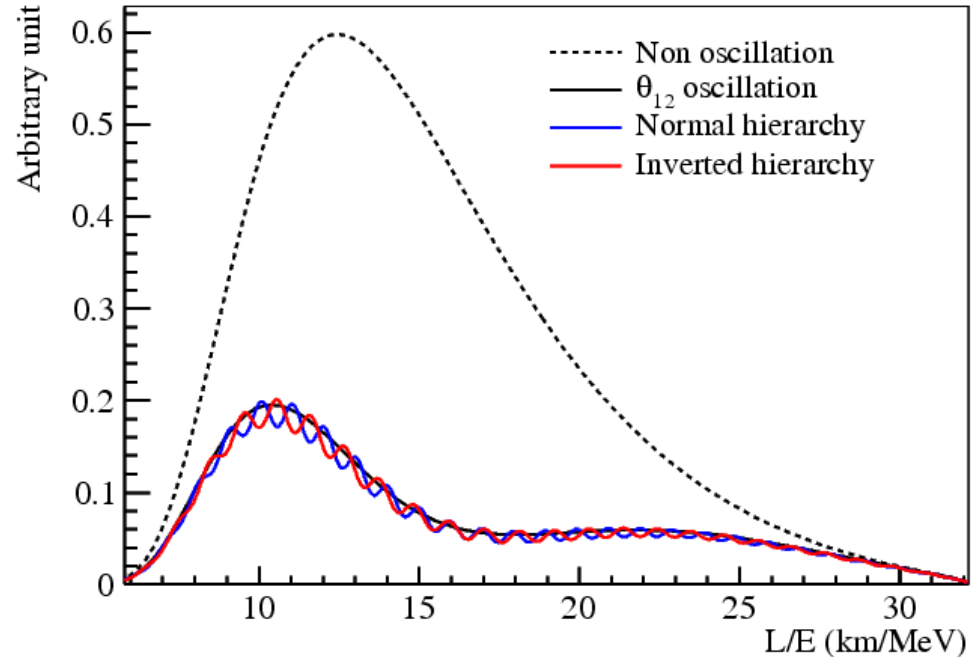
$$- \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(|\Delta_{31}|)$$

$$- \sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(\Delta_{21}) \cos(2|\Delta_{31}|)$$

$$\pm \frac{\sin^2 \theta_{12}}{2} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin(2\Delta_{21}) \sin(2|\Delta_{31}|),$$

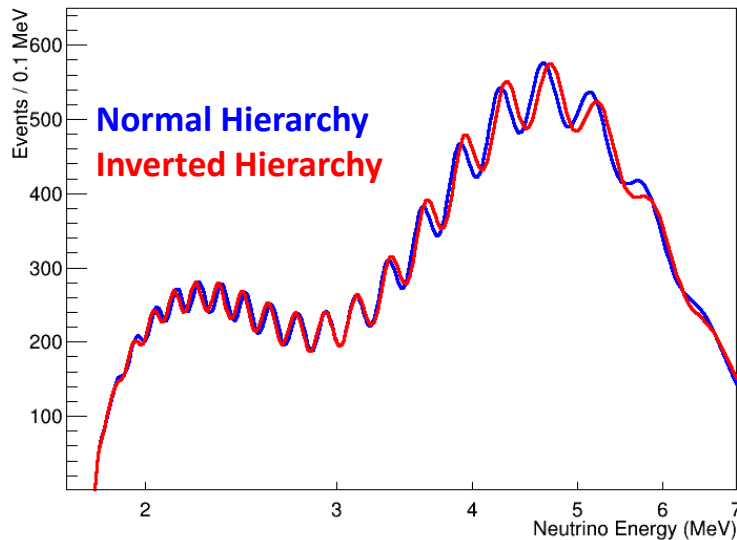
+ NH

- IH



The big suppression is due to the  
“solar” oscillation  $\rightarrow \Delta m_{21}^2, \sin^2 \theta_{12}$   
The ripple is the “atmospheric”  
oscillation  $\rightarrow |\Delta m_{31}^2|$  from frequency  
MH encoded in the phase  
“high” value of  $\theta_{13}$  crucial

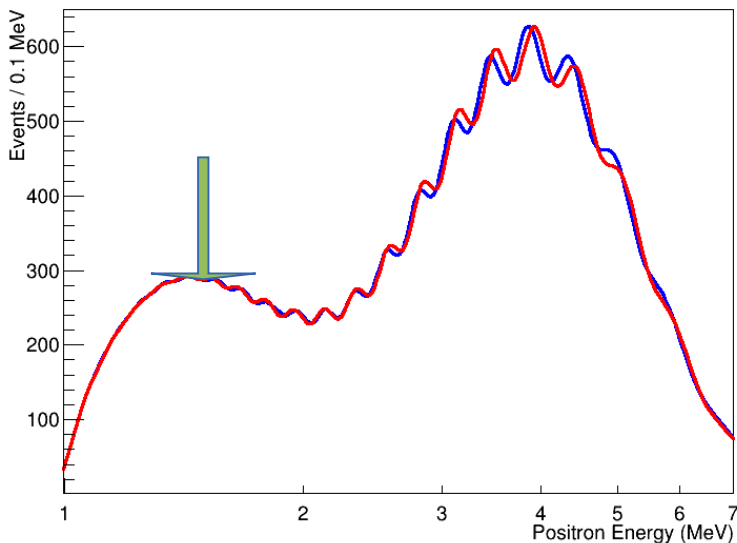
# Example of Neutrino & Positron Spectra



Spectrum in term of neutrino energy – no energy resolution

Replicating sensitivity study in arXiv 1210.8141

- Three neutrino framework (no effective  $\Delta m_{ee}$   $\Delta m_{\mu\mu}$ )
- Baseline: 50 km
- Fiducial Volume: 5 kt
- Thermal Power: 20 GW
- Exposure Time: 5 years
- more pessimistic than the JUNO values**



Spectrum in term of positron visible energy – with energy resolution

Visible energy due to inverse beta decay

- $E(\text{vis}) \sim E(\nu) - 0.8 \text{ MeV}$
- Assuming 3% /  $\sqrt{E}$  resolution
- Assuming negligible constant term in resolution



# Example of $\chi^2$ comparison – NH true

Numerical values as before

Scan of penalized (i.e. marginalized over the other minimization parameters)  $\chi^2$  vs.  $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$

Case NH true- average spectrum

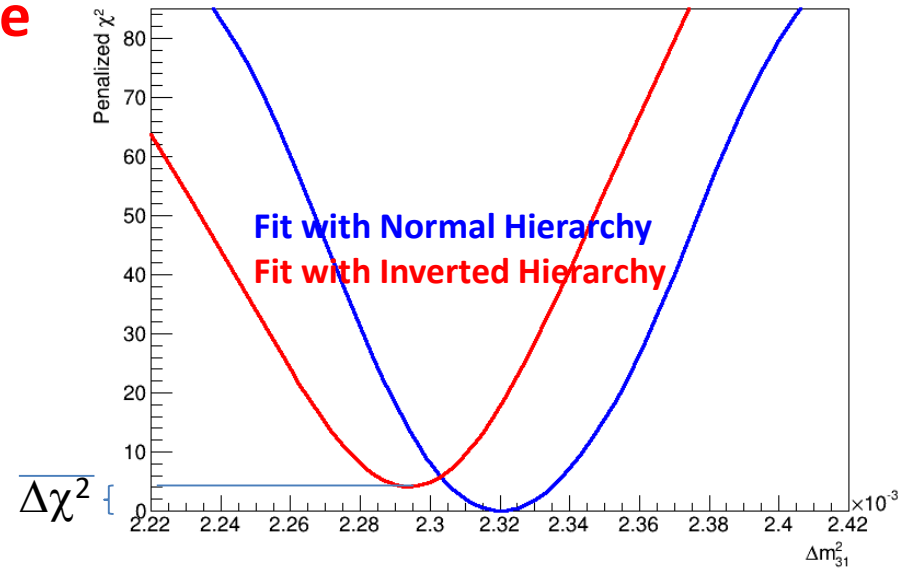
(no fluctuation – **Asimov data set**)

Test statistics  $\rightarrow \Delta\chi^2 = \chi^2_{\min}(\text{NH}) - \chi^2_{\min}(\text{IH})$

Fit NH minimum:  $1.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$  (practically 0)

FIT IH minimum: 4.0

$\overline{\Delta\chi^2} \sim 4.0$



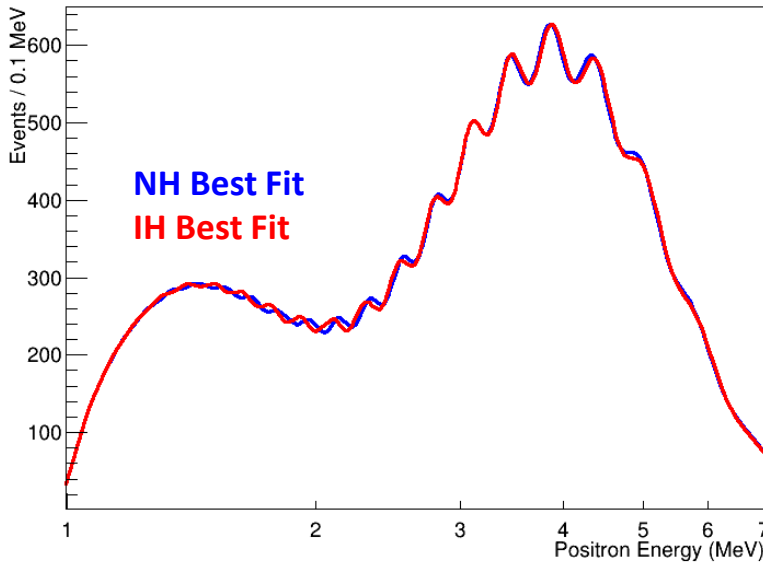
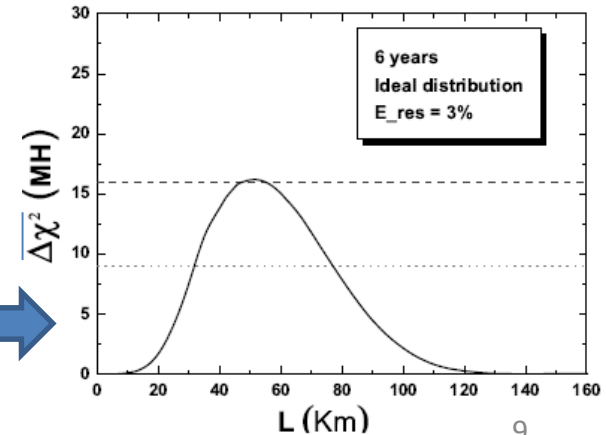
## Comparison between IH/NH best fits

The best fit  $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$  is different in the two cases

Fit almost succeeds in accommodating IH spectrum to NH data

The two solutions are fully degenerate but in a limited range of distances

Optimum distance to maximize  $\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$



From arXiv:1303.6733v1 [hep-ex] JUNO

$\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$  can be as high as **16** @ 53 km

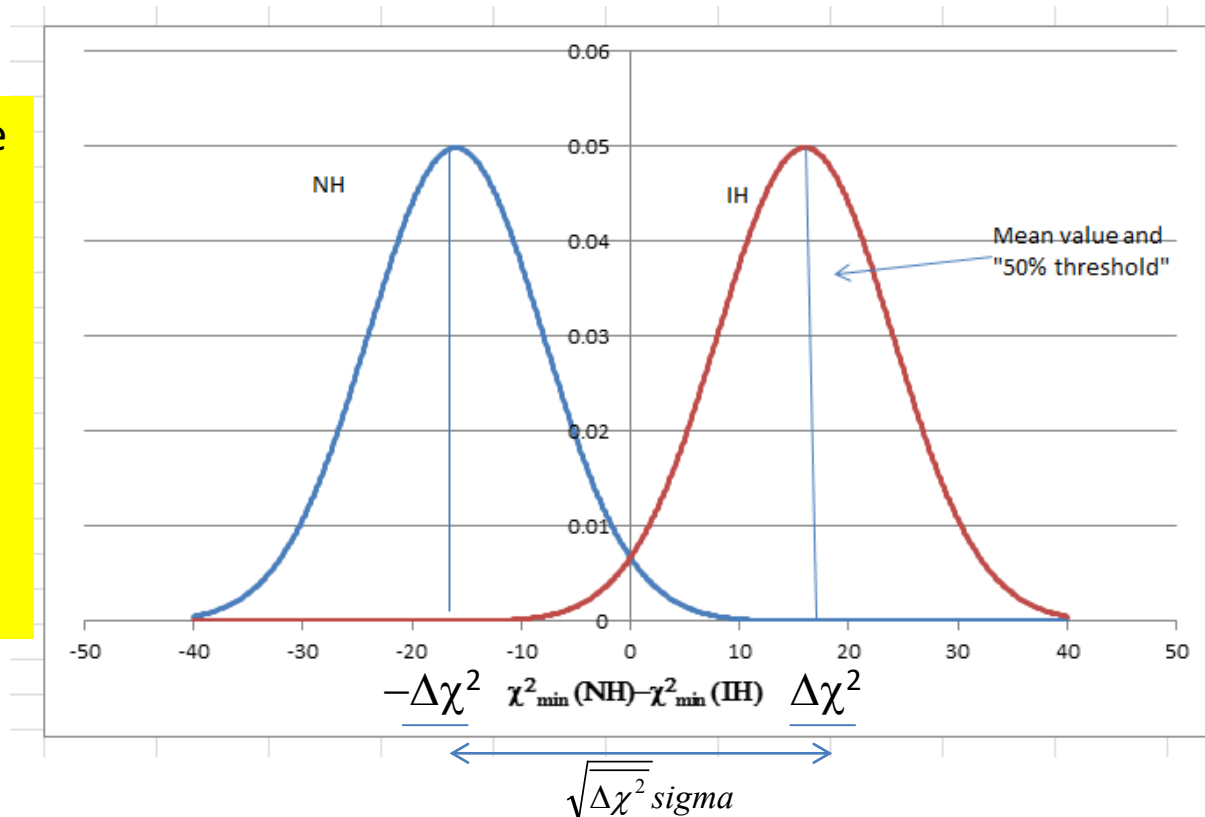
# Distribution of test statistics and number of sigmas for discovery

- **Not unique answer**
- It depends upon the assumed framework (**frequentist or Bayesian**)
- However the actual information is fully encoded in the amount of overlap of the two Gaussian independently from how it is summarized as number of  $\sigma$
- General result: sigma of each Gaussian =  $2\sqrt{\Delta\chi^2}$  **arXiv: 1210.8141v2**

The mean values of the two curves are displaced of exactly

$$\sqrt{\Delta\chi^2} \text{ sigmas}$$

**Assumed in a frequentist framework as quantification of discovery capability**



The mean value of the Gaussian curves is taken as representative of the **JUNO** capability at 53 Km  
arXiv:1303.673

# JUNO sensitivity to Mass Hierarchy – statistics only

With these characteristics JUNO can achieve statistically a  $4\sigma$  sensitivity, understood with the meaning of the previous slide – spectrum with about 100000 events

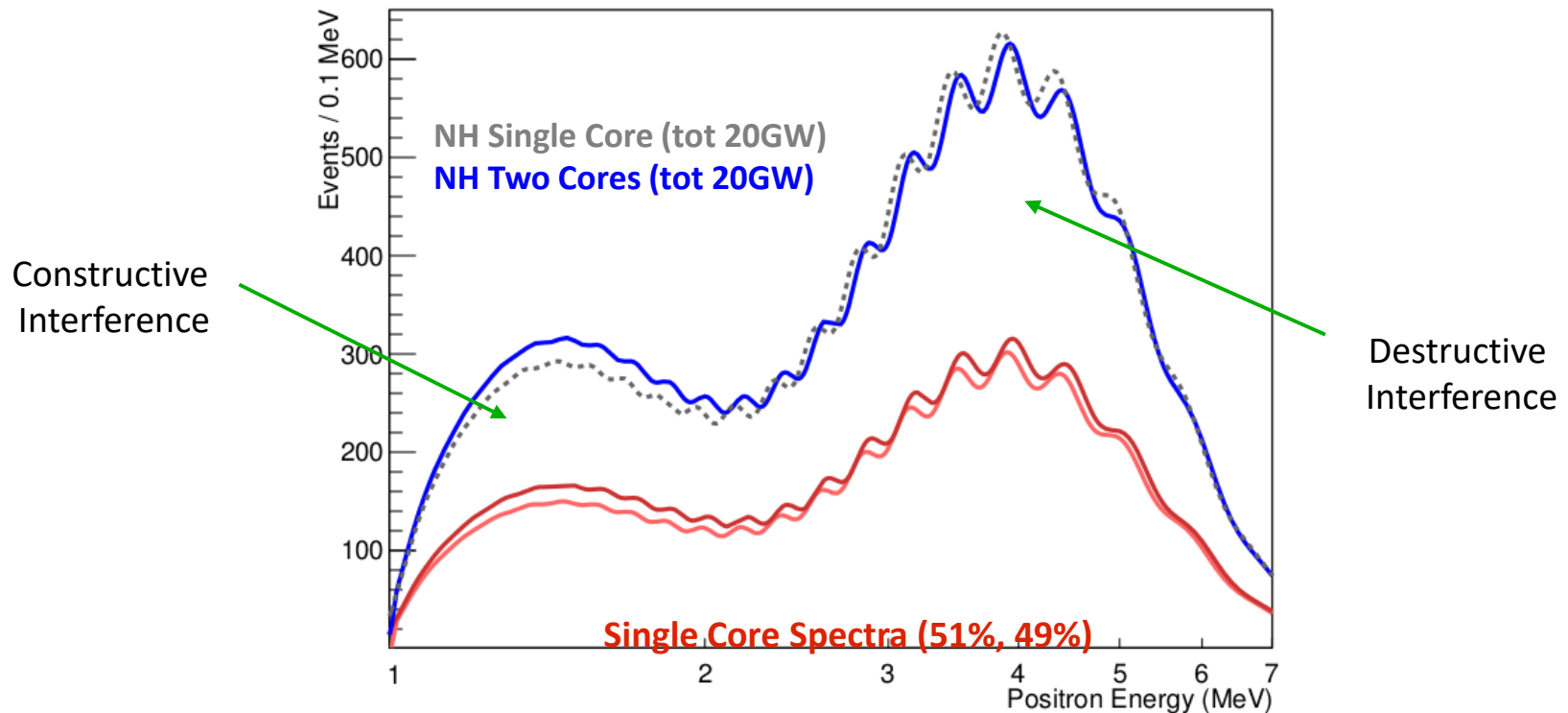


- Baseline: 53 km
- Fiducial Volume : 20 kt
- Thermal Power : 36 GW
- Data taking : 6 years (8/9 with reduced Power)
- Proton content : 12% in mass
- Energy resolution : 3% @ 1 MeV

# Caveat: Multiple Cores

Reduction in sensitivity might arise from actual spatial distribution of nuclear reactor cores

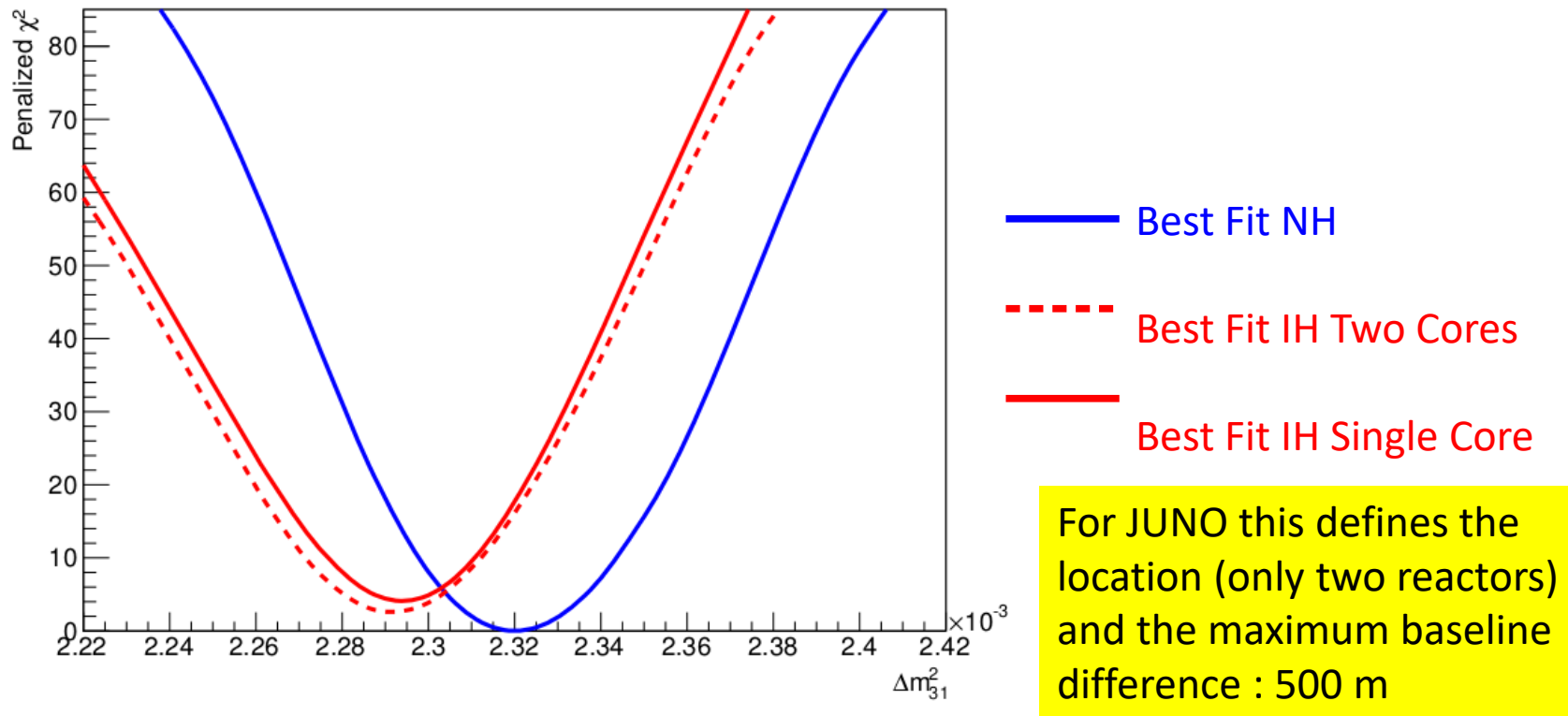
E.g. two cores with 51% (49%) of tot. power, placed at 53 km but with 500 m difference distance from detector



Baseline difference results in destructive interference in the most sensitive region of the spectrum  
**Important effect since JUNO will detect neutrinos from several cores**

# Multiple Cores: $\chi^2$

Sensitivity loss is measured through the new  $\chi^2$  minimum



$\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$  between IH and NH in this numerical exercise is reduced from 4.0 to 2.6

In the JUNO set-up the spread of the cores is 500 m  $\rightarrow$   $\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$  reduction of about **3**

# Other effects


## ❖ Adverse effects

- **Non linearity of the energy scale**

This clearly impacts the ability to distinguish the true from false Hierarchy since distorts the experimental spectrum, therefore a very careful calibration is required better than 1% [arXiv:1307.7419](#), as well as the long term stability of the detector - see also [arXiv:1508.01392](#)

Other experiments already achieved <1% accuracy

(Daya Bay ~0.5%, Double Chooz 0.74%, Borexino <1% (at low energies), KamLAND 1.4%)

- **Reactor shape uncertainty (1%)**  more on this later
- **The statistical and shape uncertainties of backgrounds**

## ❖ Favorable element for analysis

Improved knowledge of  $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$  by other experiments specifically T2K and NovA ~1%

Exploited by adding a pull in the  $\chi^2$  definition thus increasing globally the  $\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$

This is better done using the effective parameter  $|\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2|$

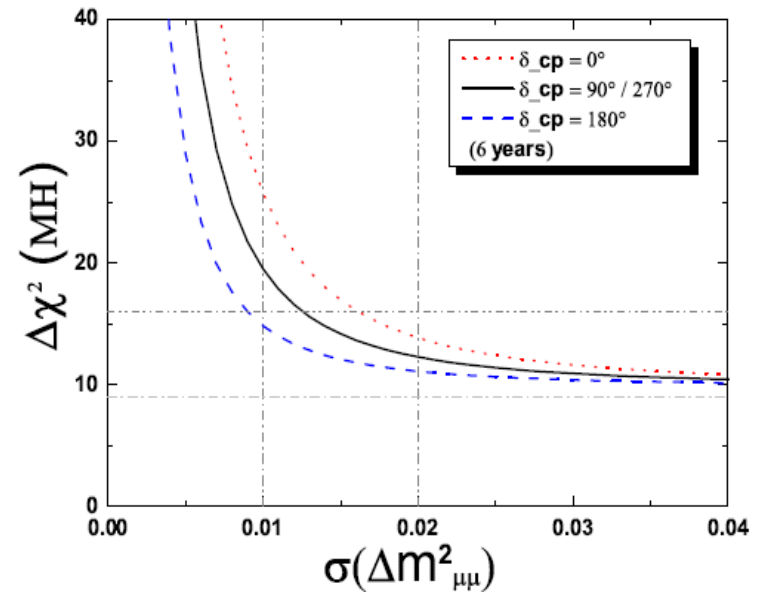
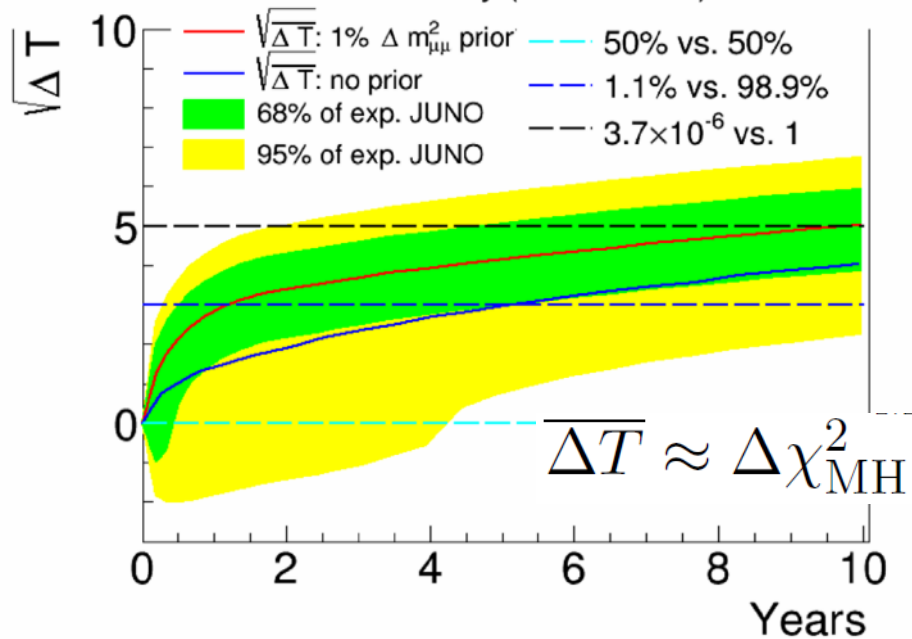
$$\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2 = \sin^2 \theta_{12} \Delta m_{31}^2 + \cos^2 \theta_{12} \Delta m_{32}^2 + \cos \delta \sin \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \tan \theta_{23} \Delta m_{21}^2$$

- ❖ In conclusion [arXiv:1303.6733v1](#) demonstrates that JUNO can reach the value  $\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$  in the range 15-20  **crucially dependent upon the resolution (this assumes 3%) which is by far the challenge of the experiment**

# Summary of MH Sensitivity

<i>PRD 88, 013008 (2013)</i>	Relative Meas.	Use absolute $\Delta m^2$
Statistics only	$4\sigma$	$5\sigma$
Realistic case	$3\sigma$	$4\sigma$

**JUNO MH**  
sensitivity with **6**  
**years'** data  
(nominal power):



	Stat.	Core dist.	DYB & HZ	Shape	B/S (stat.)	B/S (shape)	$ \Delta m^2_{\mu\mu} $
Size	52.5 km	Tab. 1-2	Tab. 1-2	1%	6.3%	0.4%	1%
$\Delta \chi^2_{MH}$	+16	-3	-1.7	-1	-0.6	-0.1	+(4 - 12)

## Energy non linearity and residual energy scale uncertainty

Implications thoroughly discussed in the JUNO Yellow Book  
arXiv:1507.05613

The loss on  $\overline{\Delta\chi^2}$  depends upon the assumed form of the residual non linearity and also on the procedure to deal with in the  $\chi^2$  computation - this is why is not included in the summary table → main message : **calibrate as better as possible** (sub percent level)

A general approach to deal with this issue devised in arXiv:1508.01392

- based on the knowledge of the residual uncertainty band and on the introduction of a corresponding pull in the  $\chi^2$  definition

Example: residual energy scale uncertainty in Day Bay calibration



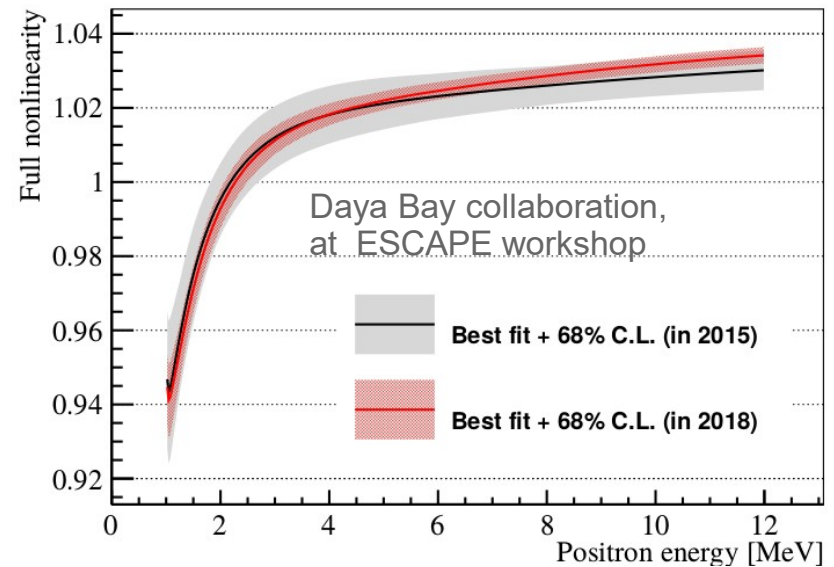
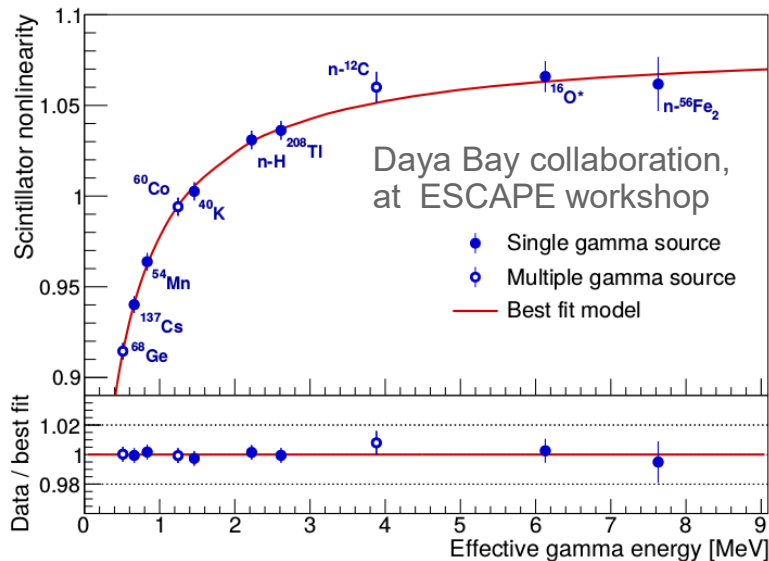
# How to Control the Energy Scale Uncertainties

With accurate and extensive calibration procedures

Different sources, over whole energy range, continuously, ...

For more information see: Daya Bay collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 95, 072006 (2017)

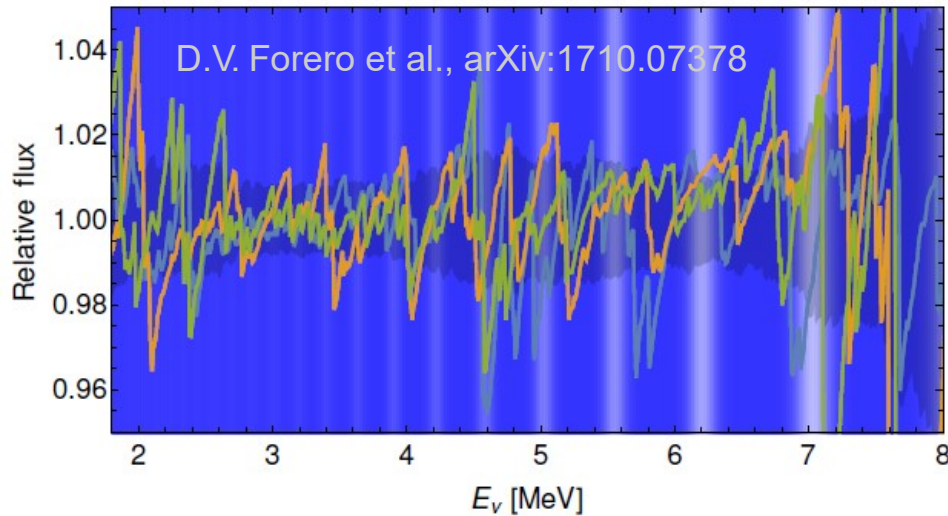
## Calibration results from Daya Bay at ESCAPE workshop @Heidelberg June 2018



Uncertainty band substantially below 1% → MC in JUNO shows MH sensitivity unaffected

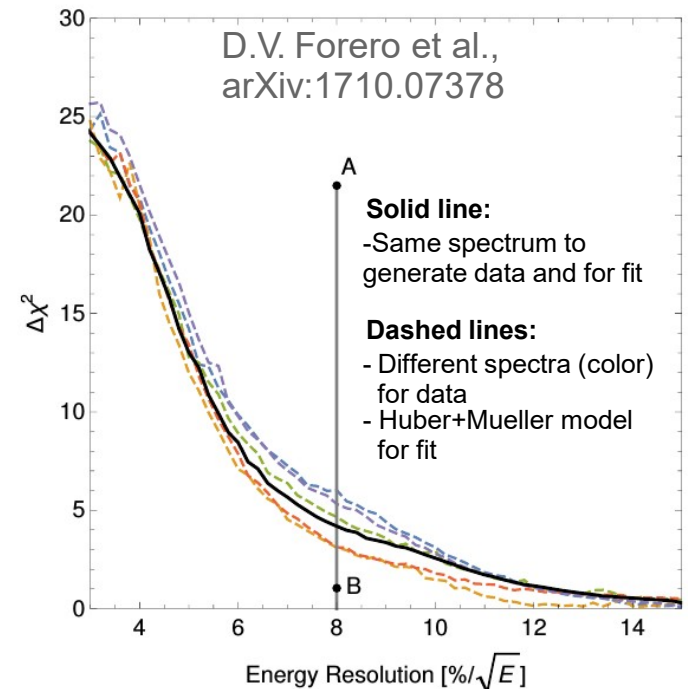
# Implications of the reactor shape uncertainty

- “Standard” reactor shape uncertainty has minor impact on the sensitivity
- But reactor spectrum might show micro-structures  
(see e.g. A.A.Sonzogni, et al. arXiv:1710.00092, D. A. Dwyer & T. J. Langford, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114,012502 (2015))
- micro-structures might degrade the MH sensitivity by mimicking periodic oscillation pattern



Relative difference of 3 synthetic spectra to spectrum predicted from ILL data (Huber+Mueller model)

→ **Reactor spectrum with energy resolution at least similar to JUNO avoids in principle this potential issue**



of reactor spectrum measurement

# Near TAO Detector Concept

**Gd-LS in diameter of 1800 mm**

**Surface 10.2 m<sup>2</sup>**

**Volume 3.05 m<sup>3</sup>, or 2.63 ton**

**1 ton fiducial volume w/ a 25cm cut**

**Event rate 30 times of JUNO**

**~30 m from the core @ Taishan**

**Resolution better than 1.7%**

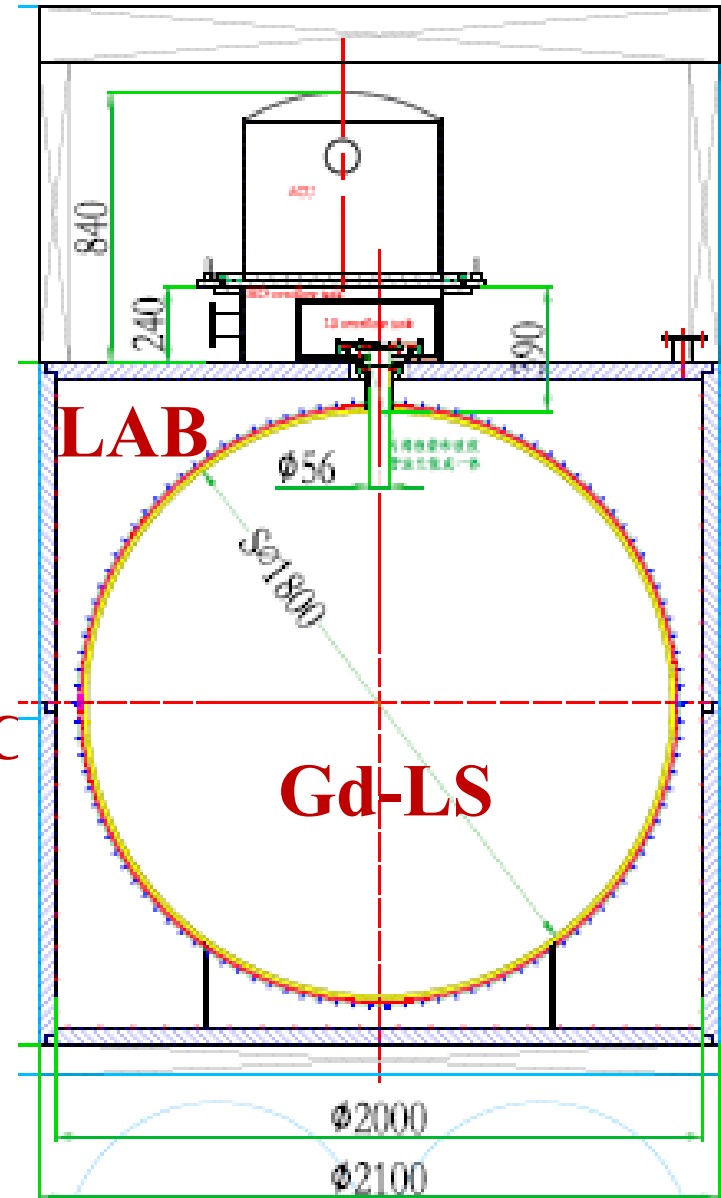
**Scintillator in acrylic vessel surrounded by SiPM for optimum resolution**

**10 m<sup>2</sup> SiPM of 50% PDE, operated at -50°C**

**LAB+quencher as buffer**

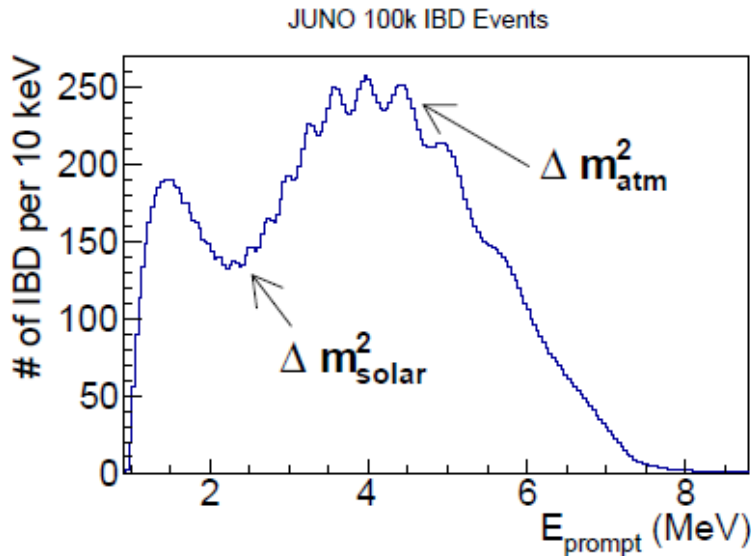
**Cryogenic vessel**

**DYB Automatic Calibration Unit**

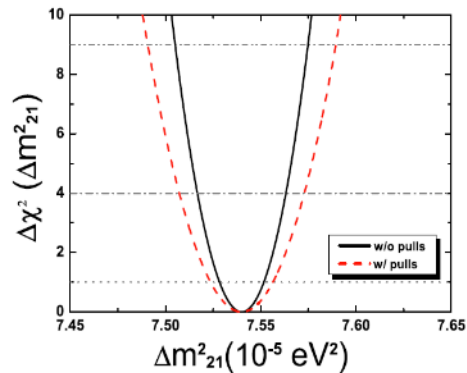


# Precision Measurements

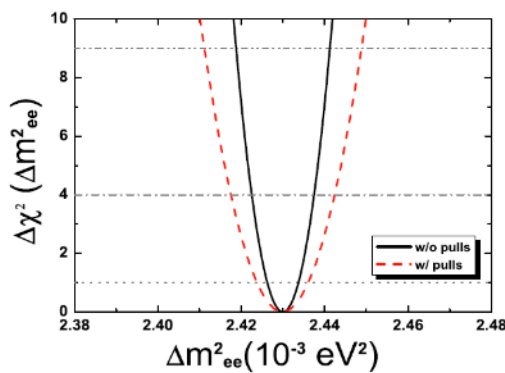
Probing the unitarity of  $U_{PMNS}$  to  $\sim 1\%$   
more precise than CKM matrix elements !



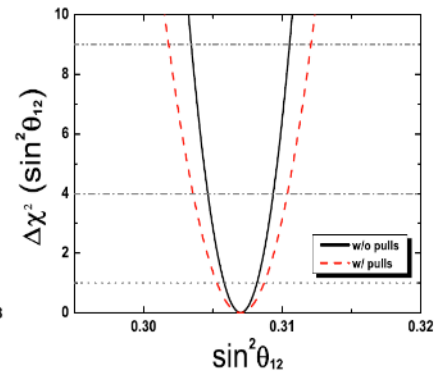
	Statistics	+BG +1% b2b +1% EScale +1% EnonL
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.54%	0.67%
$\Delta m^2_{21}$	0.24%	0.59%
$\Delta m^2_{ee}$	0.27%	0.44%



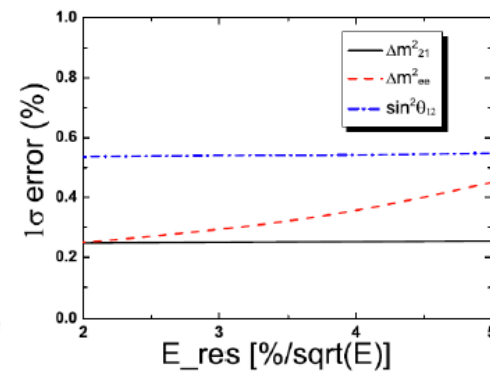
0.16%  $\rightarrow$  0.24%



0.16%  $\rightarrow$  0.27%



0.39%  $\rightarrow$  0.54%



**E resolution**

**Correlation among parameters**

$$\Delta m^2_{ee} = \cos^2 \theta_{12} \Delta m^2_{31} + \sin^2 \theta_{12} \Delta m^2_{32}$$

# Vast physics reach beyond Reactor Neutrinos

➤ **Supernova burst neutrinos**

➤ **Diffuse supernova neutrinos**

➤ **Solar neutrinos**

➤ **Atmospheric neutrinos**

*Neutrino Physics with JUNO, J. Phys. G  
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➤ **Geo-neutrinos**

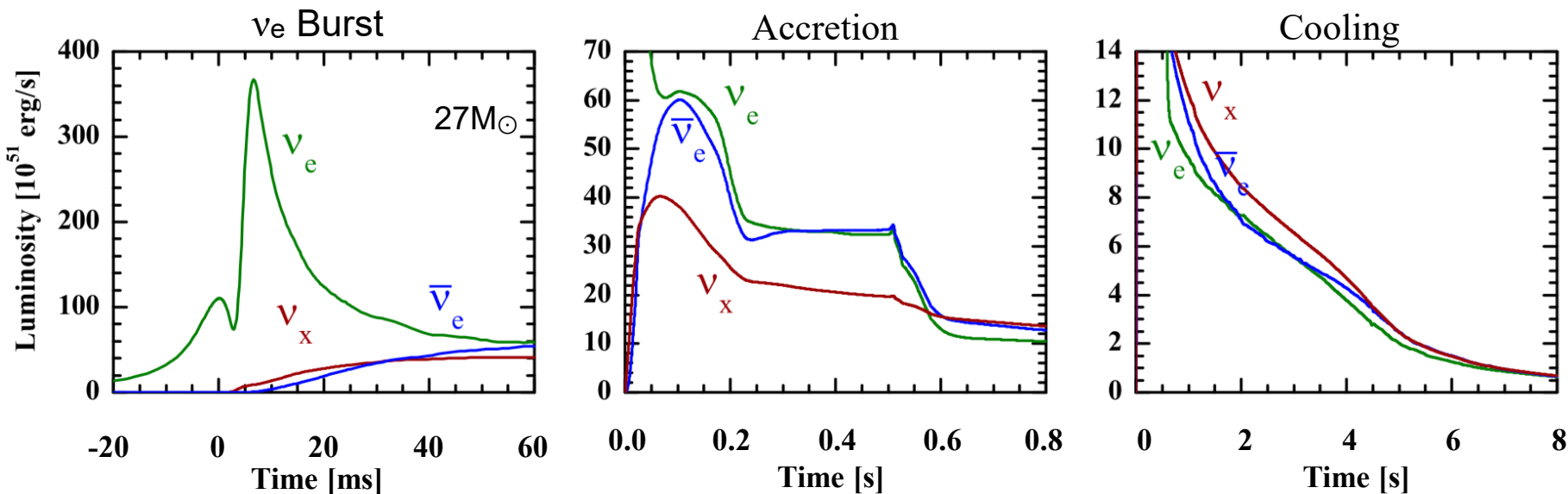
➤ **Sterile neutrinos**

➤ **Nucleon decay**

➤ **Indirect dark matter search**

➤ **Other exotic searches**

# Supernova Neutrinos



- ✦ Typical case :huge amount of energy ( $3 \times 10^{53}$  erg) emitted in neutrinos at 10Kpc
- ✦ 3 phases equally important ▶ □ 3 "experiments" teaching us about astro- and particle-physics

Process	Type	Events $\langle E_\nu \rangle = 14 \text{ MeV}$
$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$	CC	$5.0 \times 10^3$
$\nu + p \rightarrow \nu + p$	NC	$1.2 \times 10^3$
$\nu + e \rightarrow \nu + e$	ES	$3.6 \times 10^2$
$\nu + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \nu + {}^{12}\text{C}^*$	NC	$3.2 \times 10^2$
$\nu_e + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow e^- + {}^{12}\text{N}$	CC	$0.9 \times 10^2$
$\bar{\nu}_e + {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow e^+ + {}^{12}\text{B}$	CC	$1.1 \times 10^2$

*NB Other  $\langle E_\nu \rangle$  values need to be considered to get complete picture.*

Bound on neutrino masses  
 Imprinting of the mass ordering  
 Collective neutrino oscillations  
 Constraining new physics

Expected events in JUNO for a typical SN distance of 10kpc

We need to be able to handle Betelgeuse ( $d \sim 0.2 \text{ kpc}$ ) resulting in  $\sim 10 \text{ MHz}$  trigger rate

# Geo-neutrinos

## Geo-neutrinos

### Current results

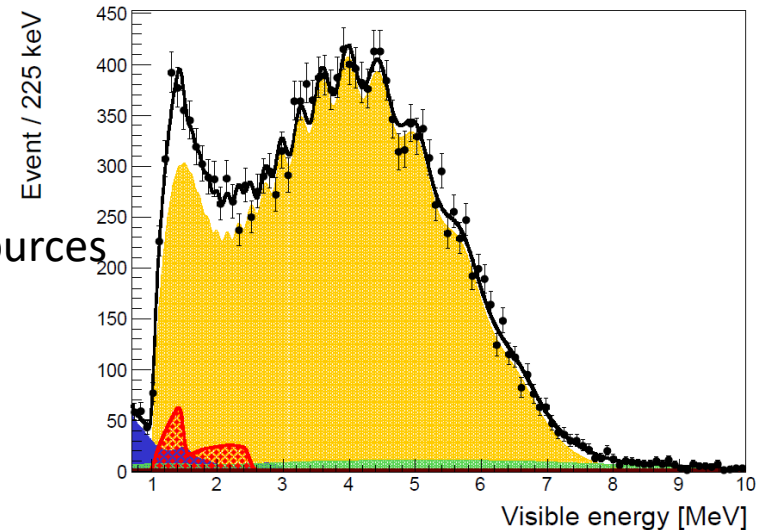
KamLAND:  $30 \pm 7$  TNU (*PRD 88 (2013) 033001*)  
 Borexino:  $47. +8.4-7.7(\text{stat})+2.4-1.9(\text{sys})$  TNU  
 (*PRD 101 (2020) id.012009*)

### Statistically dominated errors

- More precise measurements for multiple geological insights
  - Fraction of heat flow from radioactive sources
  - nature of mantle convection
  - energy needed to drive plate tectonics

### JUNO $\times 20$ statistics

- Huge reactor neutrino backgrounds
- Need accurate reactor spectra



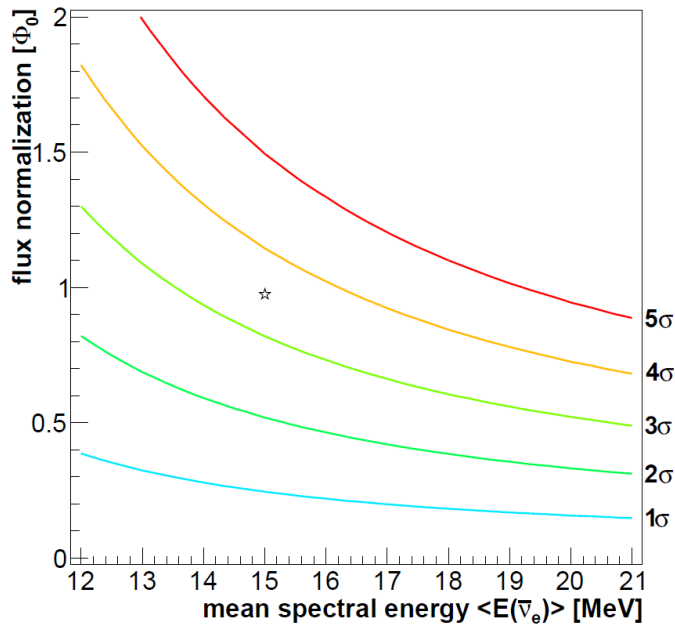
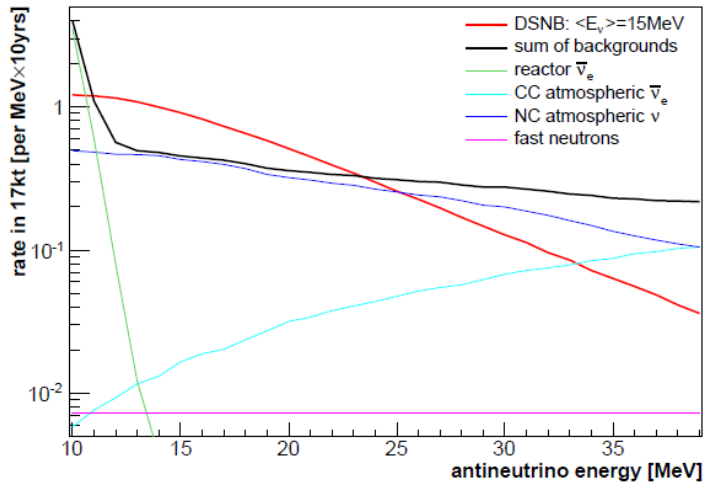
Chondritic ratio Th/U=3.9

## Combined shape fit of geo- $\nu$ and reactor- $\nu$

Source	Events/year
Geoneutrinos	$408 \pm 60$
U chain	$311 \pm 55$
Th chain	$92 \pm 37$
Reactors	$16100 \pm 900$
Fast neutrons	$3.65 \pm 3.65$
$^9\text{Li} - ^8\text{He}$	$657 \pm 130$
$^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)^{16}\text{O}$	$18.2 \pm 9.1$
Accidental coincidences	$401 \pm 4$

	Best fit	1 y	3 y	5 y	10 y
U+Th Fix ratio	0.96	17%	10%	8%	6%
U (free)	1.03	32%	19%	15%	11%
Th (free)	0.80	66%	37%	30%	21%

# Diffuse Supernova Neutrinos



- DSNB: Past core-collapse events
  - Cosmic star-formation rate
  - Core-collapse neutrino spectrum
  - Rate of failed SNe

Item		Rate (no PSD)	PSD efficiency	Rate (PSD)
Signal	$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 12 \text{ MeV}$	12.2	$\varepsilon_{\nu} = 50 \%$	6.1
	$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 15 \text{ MeV}$	25.4		12.7
	$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 18 \text{ MeV}$	42.4		21.2
	$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 21 \text{ MeV}$	61.2		30.8
Background	reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$	1.6	$\varepsilon_{\nu} = 50 \%$	0.8
	atm. CC	1.5	$\varepsilon_{\nu} = 50 \%$	0.8
	atm. NC	716	$\varepsilon_{\text{NC}} = 1.1 \%$	7.5
	fast neutrons	12	$\varepsilon_{\text{FN}} = 1.3 \%$	0.15
	$\Sigma$			9.2

## 10 Years' sensitivity

Syst. uncertainty BG	5%		20%	
	rate only	spectral fit	rate only	spectral fit
$\langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle$				
12 MeV	1.7 $\sigma$	1.9 $\sigma$	1.5 $\sigma$	1.7 $\sigma$
15 MeV	3.3 $\sigma$	3.5 $\sigma$	3.0 $\sigma$	3.2 $\sigma$
18 MeV	5.1 $\sigma$	5.4 $\sigma$	4.6 $\sigma$	4.7 $\sigma$
21 MeV	6.9 $\sigma$	7.3 $\sigma$	6.2 $\sigma$	6.4 $\sigma$



# Solar Neutrinos

Fusion reactions in solar core: powerful source of electron neutrinos  $O(1-10 \text{ MeV})$

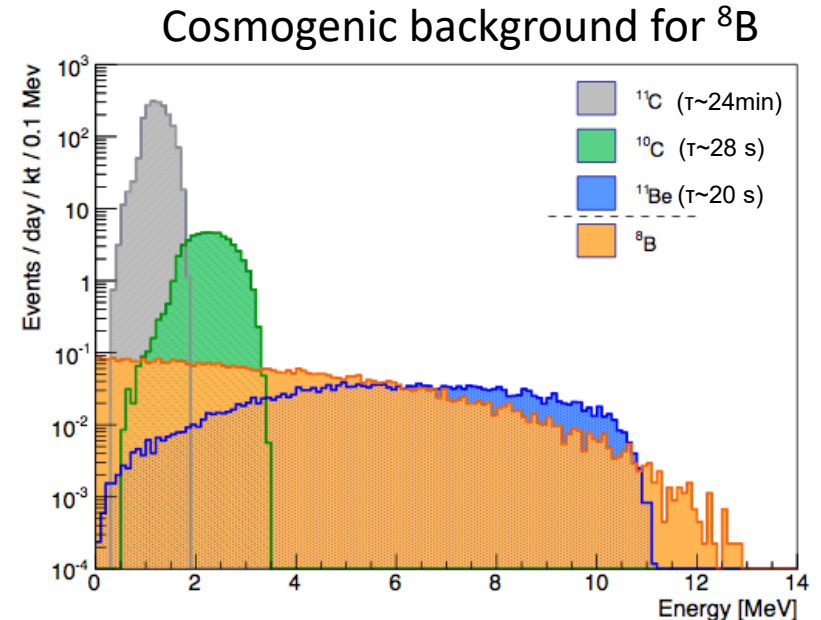
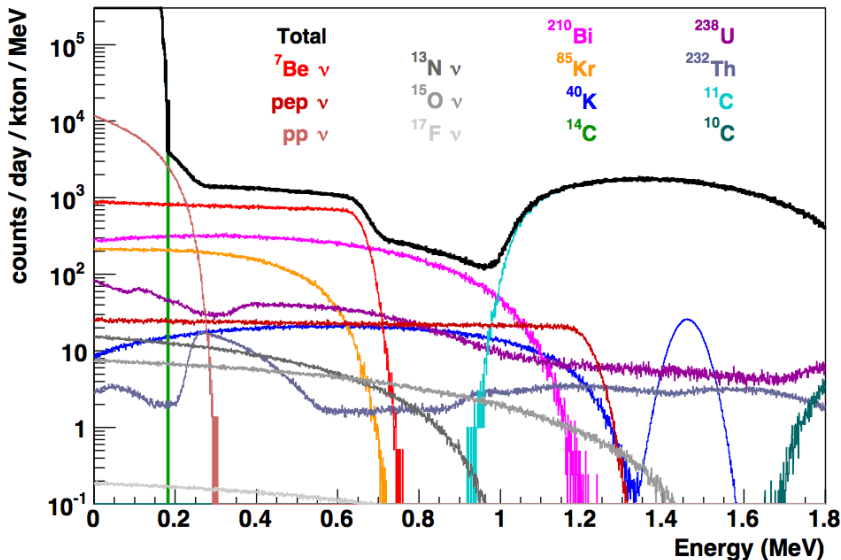
JUNO: neutrinos from  ${}^7\text{Be}$  and  ${}^8\text{B}$  reactions

Investigate **MSW effect**: Transition between vacuum and matter dominated regimes  ${}^8\text{B}$

Constrain **Solar Metallicity Problem**:  
Neutrinos as proxy for Sun composition  ${}^7\text{Be}$

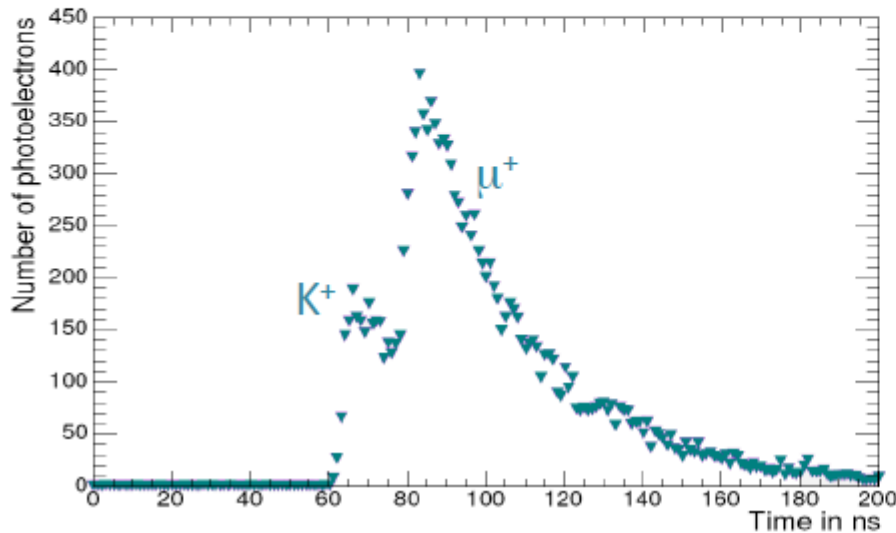
## Radiopurity requirements for JUNO LS

Liquid Scintillator	U238	Th232	K40	Pb210 (Rn222)	Ref.
Medium purity	$10^{-15}$	$10^{-15}$	$10^{-16}$	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-22}$	CTF, Borexino, KamLAND D
High purity	$10^{-17}$	$10^{-17}$	$10^{-18}$	$10^{-24}$	



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# Proton decay into $K^+\bar{\nu}$



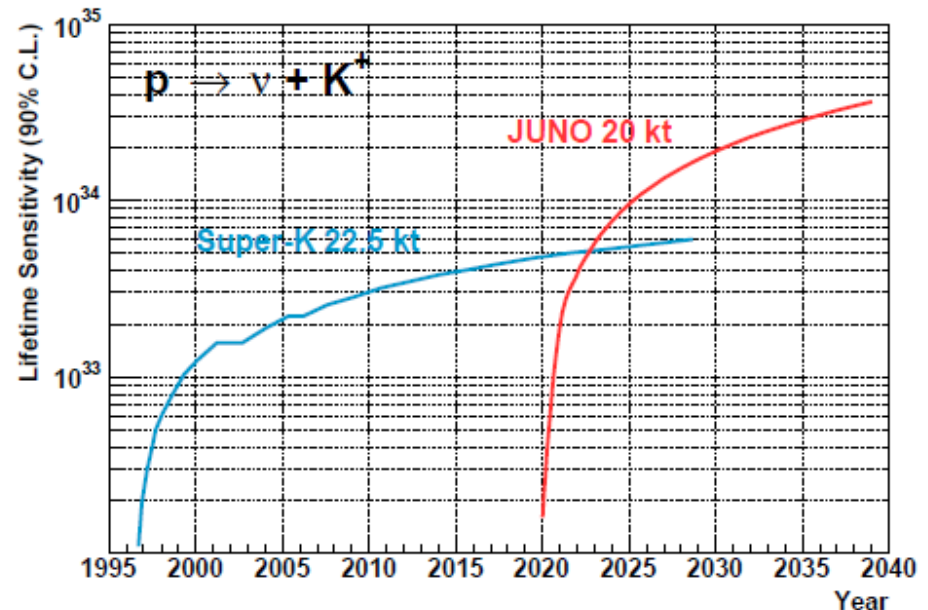
## SUSY-favored decay mode

Signature  $p \rightarrow K^+\bar{\nu}$   
 $\hookrightarrow \mu^+\nu_\mu / \pi^0\pi^+$

- kaon visible in liquid scintillator!
- fast coincidence signature ( $\tau_K = 13$  ns)
- signal efficiency:  $\sim 65\%$  (atm.  $\nu$  bg)
- remaining background:  $< 0.1$  ev/yr

Limit if no event is observed in 10yrs (0.5 Mt·yrs):

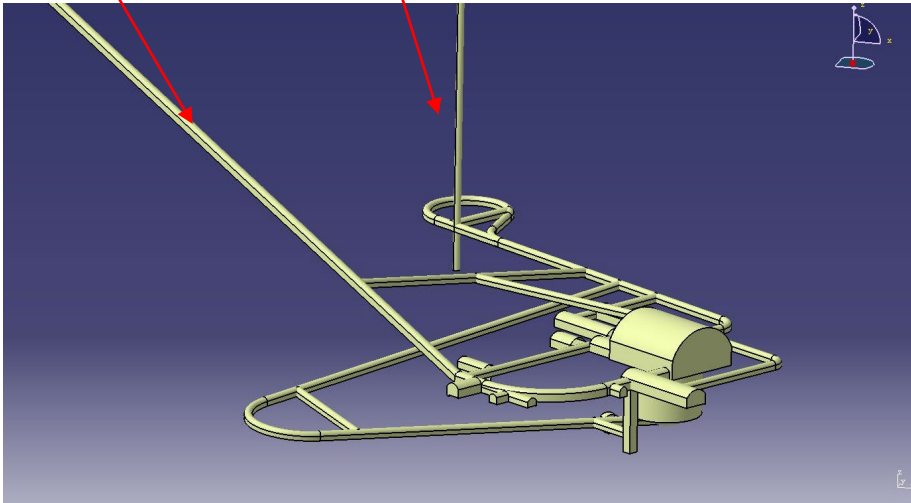
$$\tau_p > 2 \times 10^{34} \text{ yrs (90\%C.L.)}$$



# Layout of the site

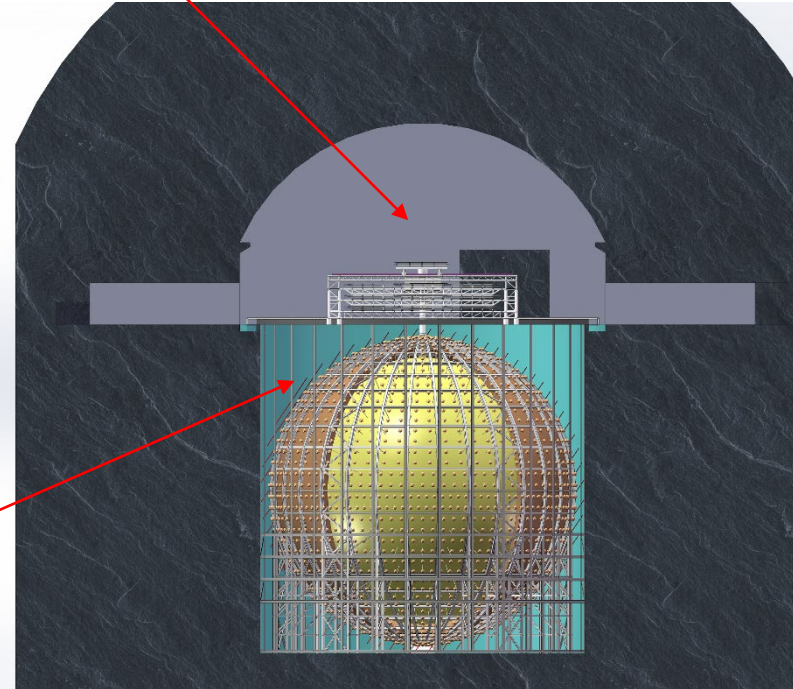
Slope tunnel

Vertical shaft



overburden  $\sim 700$  m

Experimental Hall



Pool



Surface buildings

# Excavation of the site recently completed: experimental hall - access and service tunnels - ancillary halls



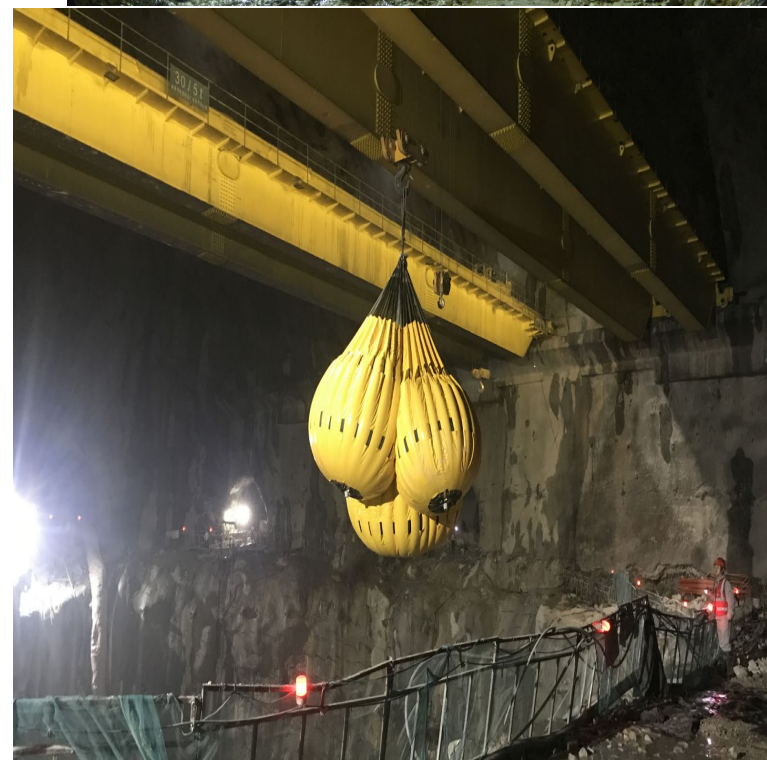
← Liquid scintillator Hall

Access tunnel →



Experimentall Hall

Transportation Tunnel



# External infrastructure completed



## Central detector

- Acrylic sphere with 20k t liquid scintillator
- PMTs in water buffer on a stainless steel truss - 18k 20" and 25k 3"
- 78% PMT coverage

## Water Cherenkov muon veto

- 2000 20" PMTs
- 35 ktons ultra-pure water
- Efficiency > 95%
- Radon control → less than 0.2 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>

## Compensation coils

- Earth's magnetic field <10%
- Necessary for 20" PMTs

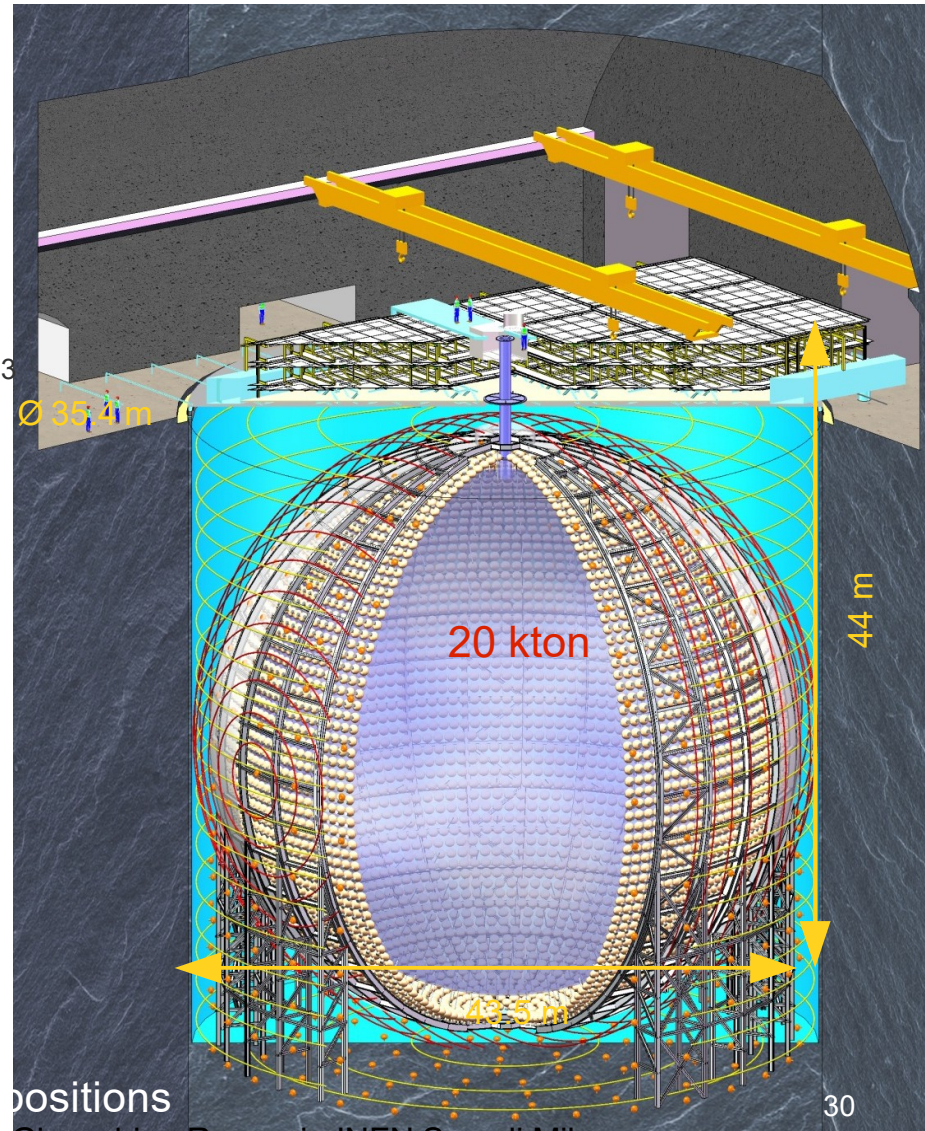
## Top tracker

- Precision muon tracking
- 3 plastic scintillator layers
- Covering half of the top area

## Calibration System

- 4 complementary sub-systems
- various particle types, ranges and positions

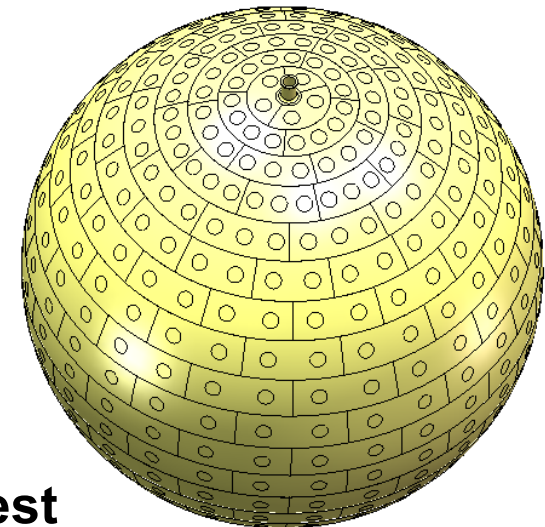
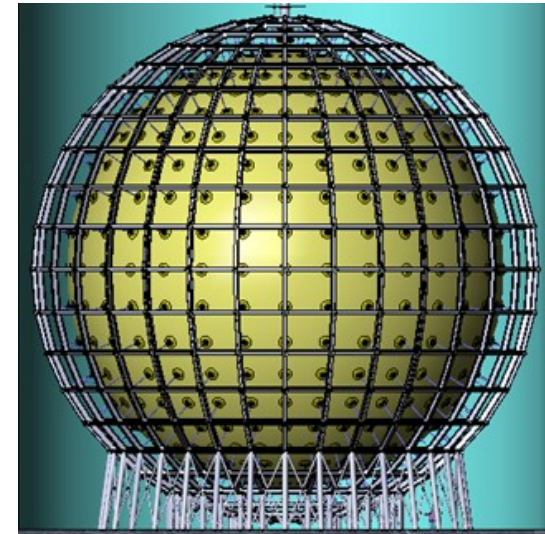
# Detector's layout





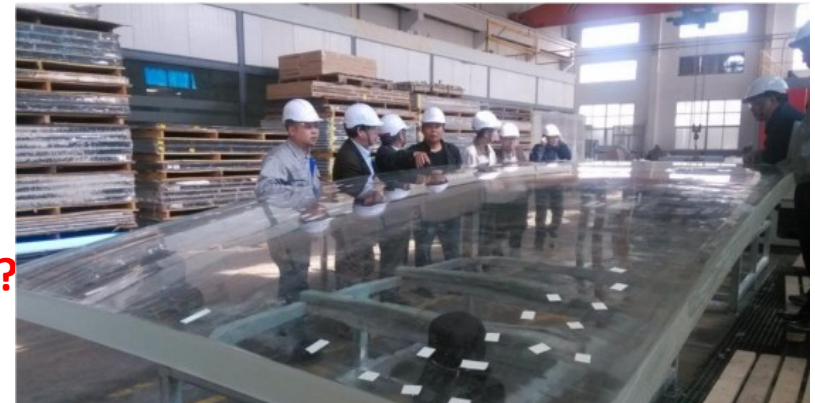
# Central Detector

- Liquid scintillator based calorimeter
  - Req.: **3% resolution & <1% en. scale precision**
- **SS** supporting **PMTs + Acrylic Sphere(AS)**
  - Outside AS: water (shielding PMT/SS  $\gamma$ s)
  - Inside AS: LS (scintillation matter)
- Scintillation **photon** detector:
  - 18k 20" PMTs + 25k 3" PMTs
  - 1200 pe/MeV
- Electronics:
  - **1 GHz, 14 bit**, 1~4000 p.e. dynamic range
- Coils for Earth's magnetic field compensation
- **All construction elements under realization and test**



# R&D about acrylic

- **How about the life time of acrylic?**
  - Strength reduce to ~70% for 20 years @ 5.5 Mpa
  - Creep: over 100 years
- **Can the spherical panel be made?**
  - 3 companies made samples
  - 2017.2 Donchamp won the bid.
- **How about the max stress control on acrylic?**
  - $\leq 3.5$  Mpa, less than 5 Mpa in Daya Bay
- **How strong the acrylic node need to be?**
  - Max pulling load: ~ 8 tons
  - Break at load: ~100 tons
- **How to control the radiation back-ground and the quality of acrylic?**
- **How to make the bulk-polymerization on site**



Thermoforming the spherical panel:  
3m x 8m x 120mm



Test for bulk-polymerization



Load test of node: break at 100 tons



1:12  
prototype



# Status of CD elements

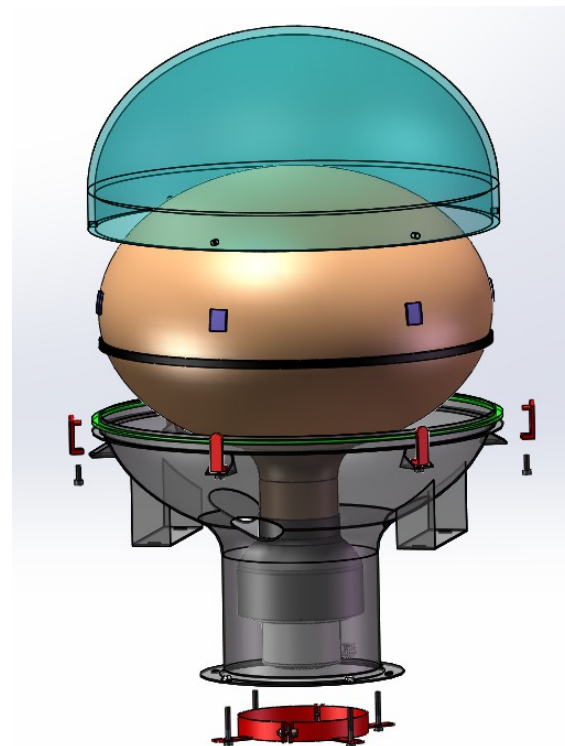
- **Acrylic Sphere**
  - Acrylic panels: mostly produced
    - Good quality on bkg., transparency...
    - Thermal forming in progress
  - Assembly & annealing: procedures understood
- **Stainless Steel Structure**
  - Production: mostly finished
  - Connection structure : 80% finished
- **Lift platform: successfully tested**
- **Filling/Overflow/Circulation System**
  - All low bkg s.s. were produced
  - All pumps and valves ordered
  - Tanks etc. : 30% finished



# Photomultipliers

- **15000 MCP-PMTs from NNVT** (Northern Night Vision Technology)
- **5000 dynode PMTs from Hamamatsu**
- **Production from 2016 now completed**
- **All delivered**
- **Tests close to end**

Characteristics	unit	MCP-PMT (NNVT)	R12860 (Hamamatsu)
Detection Efficiency (QE*CE)	%	27%	27% requirement
P/V of SPE		3.5, > 2.8	3, > 2.5
TTS on the top point	ns	~12, < 15	2.7, < 3.5
Rise time/ Fall time	ns	R~2, F~12	R~5, F~9
Anode Dark Count	Hz	20K, < 30K	10K, < 50K
After Pulse Rate	%	1, < 2	10, < 15
Radioactivity of glass	ppb	238U: 50 232Th: 50 40K: 20	238U: 400 232Th: 400 40K: 40

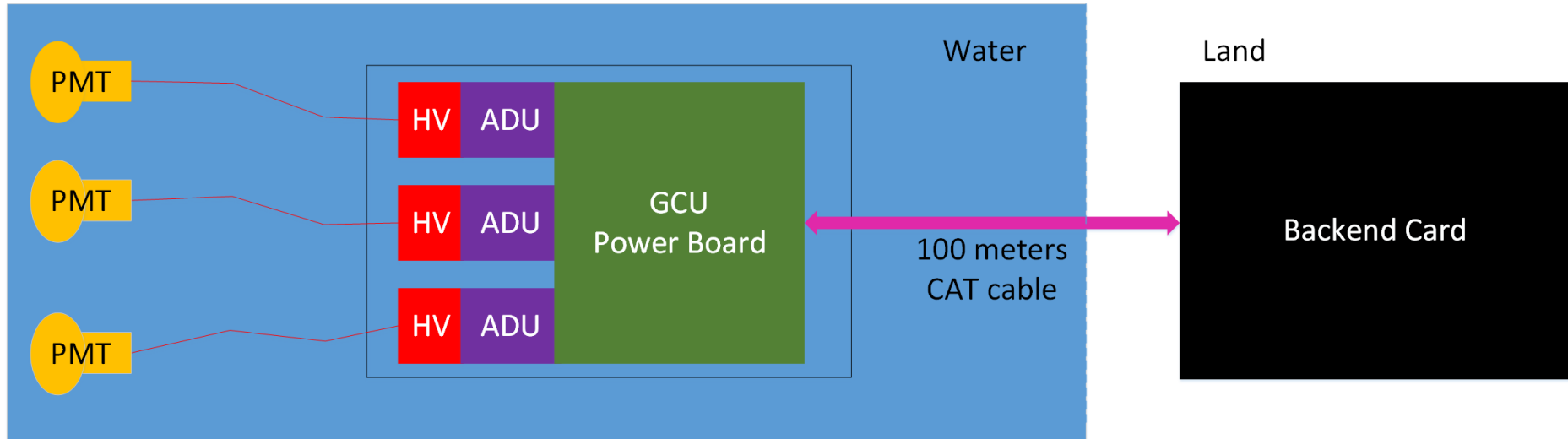


JUNO PMT with implosion protection cover

Final **detection efficiency** value on the whole PMT inventory: **NNVT 28.7%**  
**Hamamatsu 28.1%**

# Readout Electronics

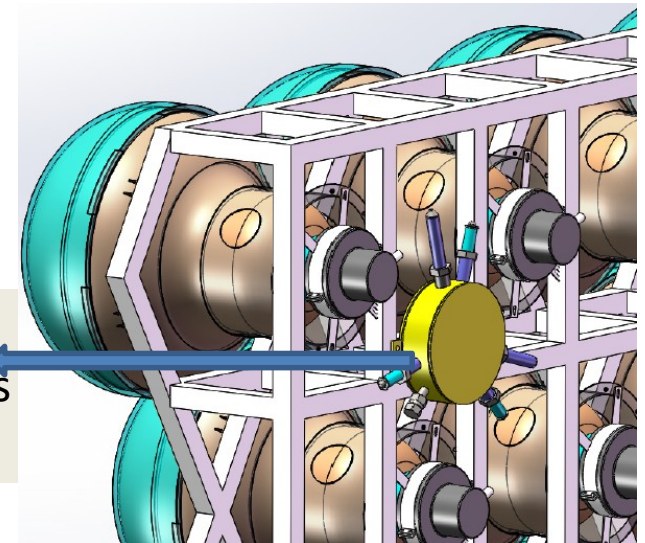
## 1F3 scheme



- PMT: photomultiplier tubes
- HV: High Voltage units
- ADU: Analog to Digital Unit
- GCU: Global Control Unit
- CAT cable: Category 5e cable
- High reliability needed
- Severe constraints by power consumption

**PMT signals' waveform are read out by FADC, which is near PMT and guarantee the quality of the analog signals.**

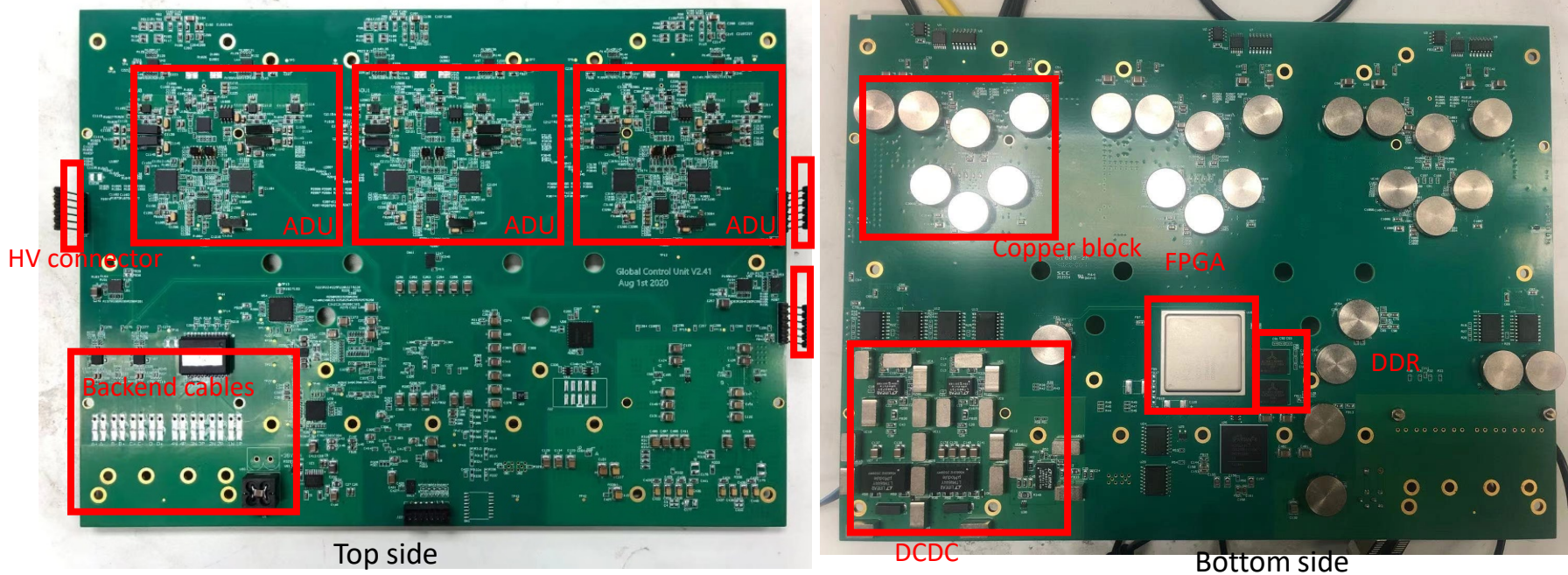
Underwater box containing the electronics  
1 per 3 PMTs



# Electronics production ongoing

- Example of the board that will go in the underwater box
- Components procurement started
- Full production before the end of the year
- Integration tests are foreseen from Summer and Installation in JUNO will start at the end of 2021

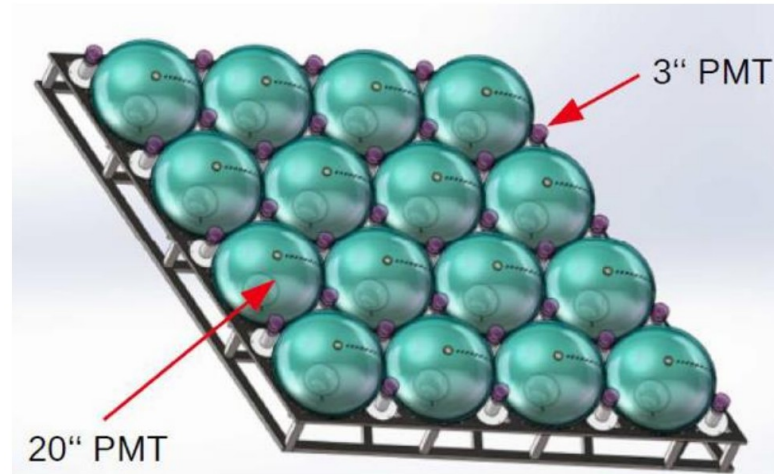
## Global Control Unit board



# 3" PMTs

- **Double calorimetry**

- Always photon counting
  - Better control of systematics  
(Calibration of non-linear response of large PMTs)
- Increased dynamic range
  - Helps with large signals  
(e.g. muons, supernova signal)



Detector Resolution: 
$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{E}}\right)^2 + b^2 + \left(\frac{c}{E}\right)^2}$$

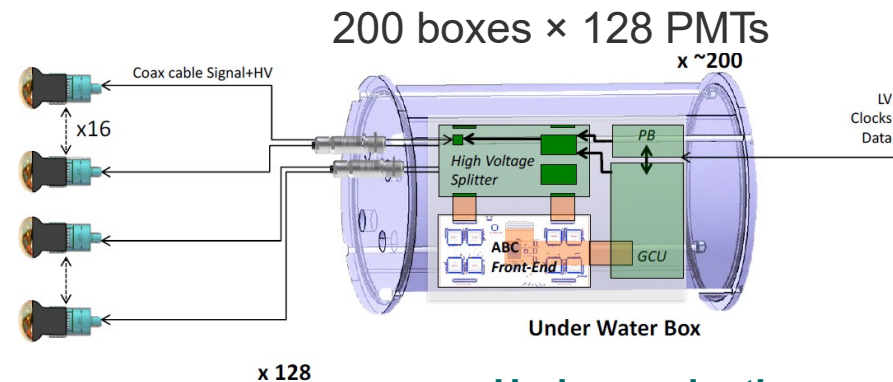
*b* and *c* non stochastic terms

- **25000 PMTs contracted to HZC**

- **Production ended, final test ongoing**

**JUNO custom design:**  
XP72B22

QE 24% , P/V 3.0  
SPE resolution 30%  
TTS 2-5 ns



**Under production**

# Veto Detectors

- **Cosmic muon flux**
  - Overburden: **~700 m**
  - Muon rate: **0.003Hz/m<sup>2</sup>**
  - Average energy: **214 GeV**
- **Water Cherenkov Detector**
  - ~4 m water shielding, Radon: **<0.2 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>**
  - ~2000 20" PMTs
  - 40 kton pure water, HDPE lining on pool
  - Similar technology as Daya Bay (**99.8% efficiency**)
- **Compensation Coil for EMF shield**
- **Top muon tracker**
  - Decommissioned OPERA plastic scintillator

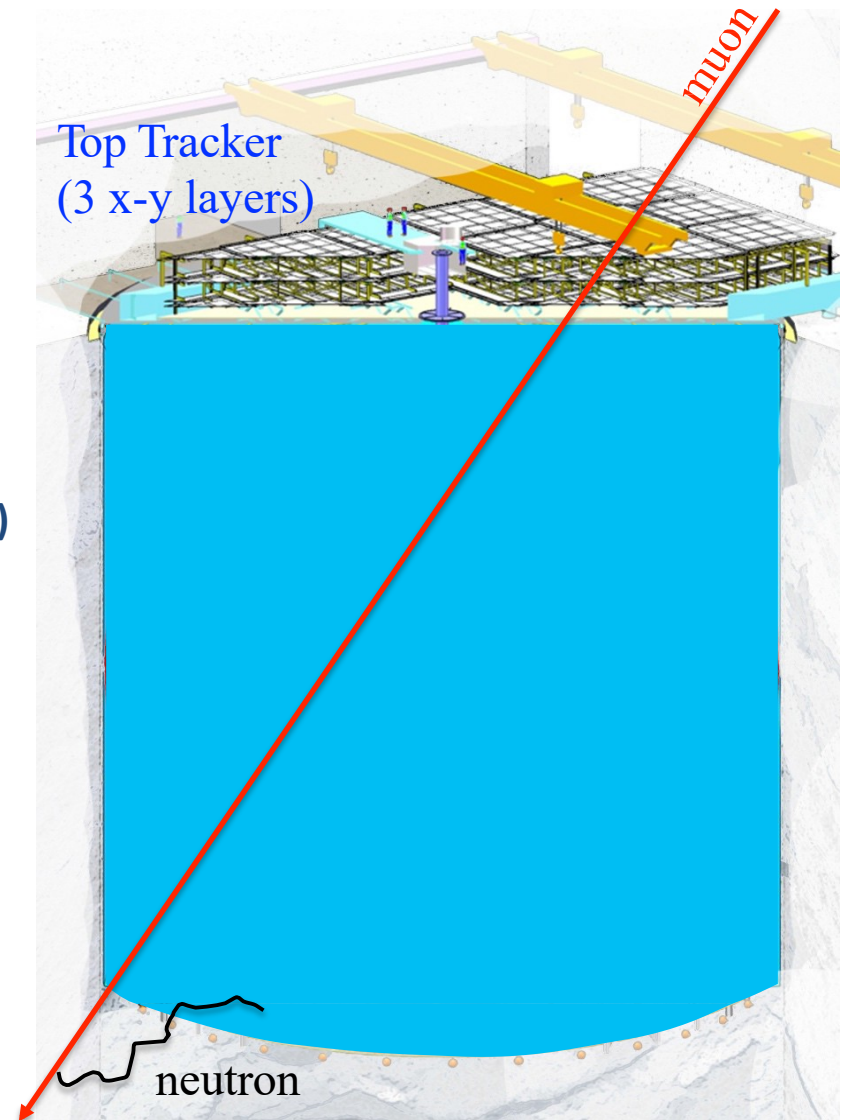
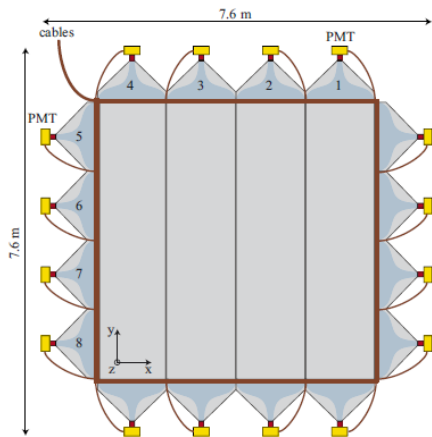
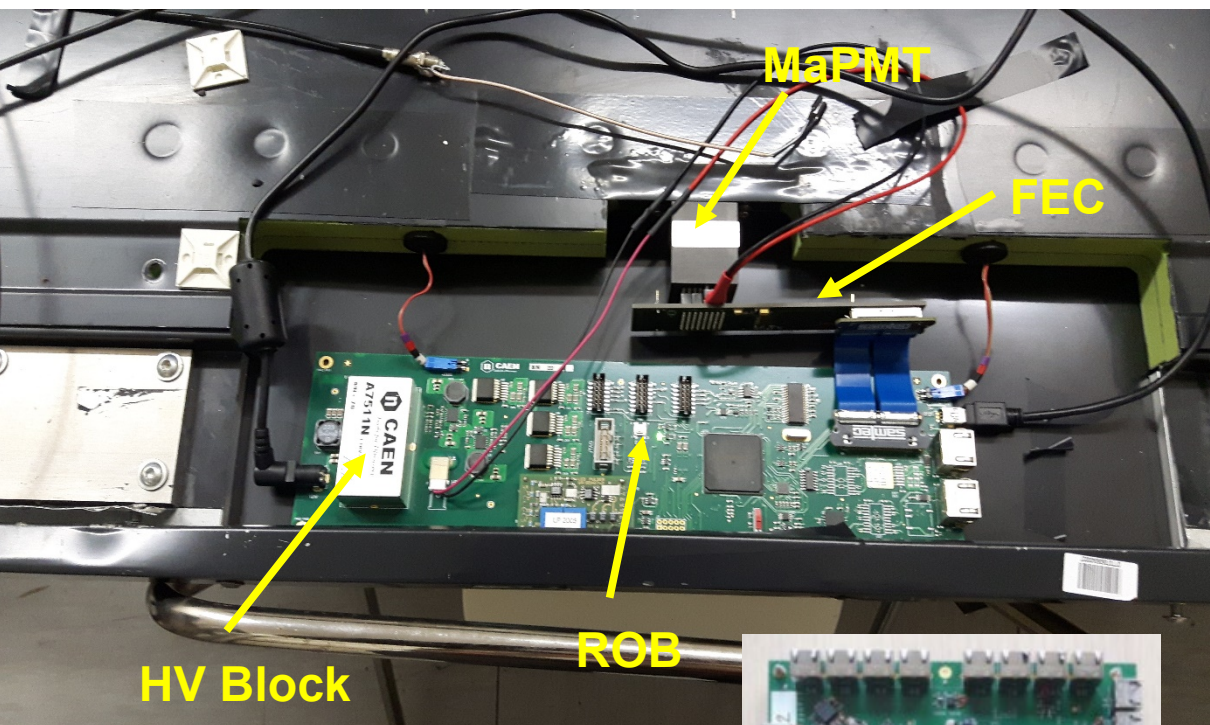


Fig. 3. Schematic view of a plastic scintillator strip wall.

# Example of production: top muon tracker electronics



992 MaPMT  
992 Front-End Cards  
992 Read-Out Boards  
63 Concentrators

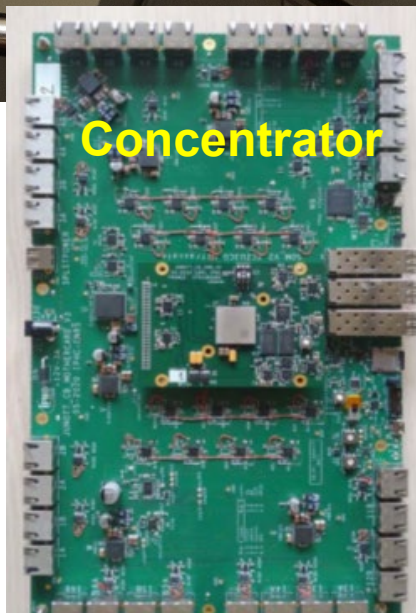
FEC: produced  
ROB: Final Review asap  
Component procurement started  
Concentrator: prototyping

Order for 1020 ROBs already placed

Afterwards concentrator Production

Other elements of the TT system under production

HV block  
(designed for JUNO)



# Scintillator and purity

- **Requirement for  $3\%/\sqrt{E}$** 
  - High light-yield:  $\sim 10^4$  photons/MeV
  - High transparency:

Attenuation Length (A.L.) > 25m @430nm

## Purity requirements

U/Th  $10^{-15}$  g/g for MH

$10^{-17}$  g/g for Solar  $\nu$

- **Storage and Purification plants**

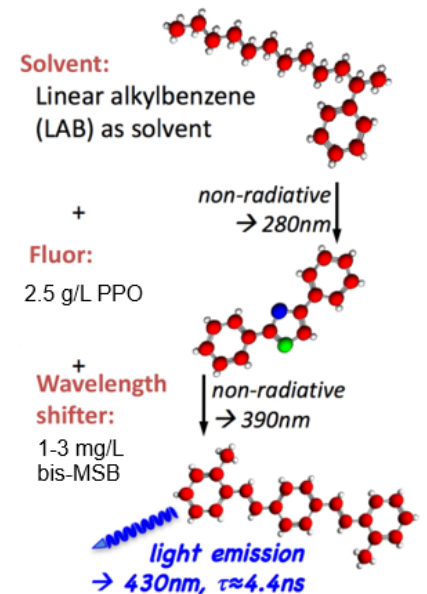
### Global background control:

Construction material, equipment & their cleanliness

Ventilation systems during the assembly & installation

Moreover: cleanliness of CD, leak check, filling with ultrapure water

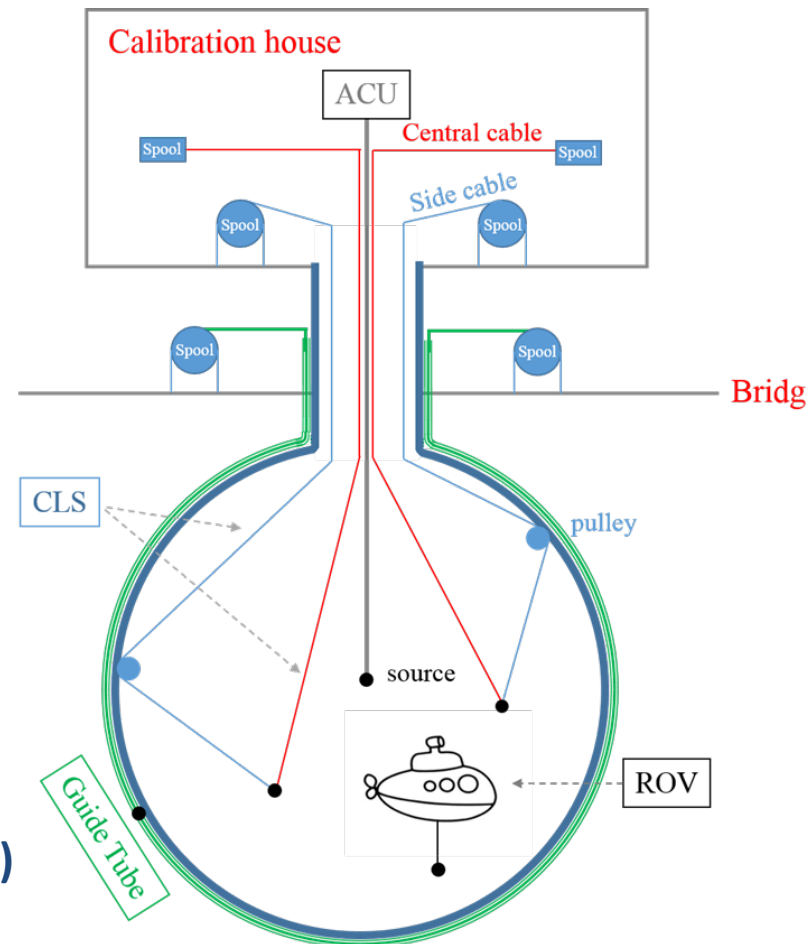
- Surface storage for 5 Kt LAB
- Distillation plant ready
- Stripping plant (gas removal) ready
- Column purification via  $Al_2O_3$  - under construction
- Water extraction plant column purification
- PPO production and pre-purification
- Mixing system
- Ultra pure nitrogen
- Ultra pure water





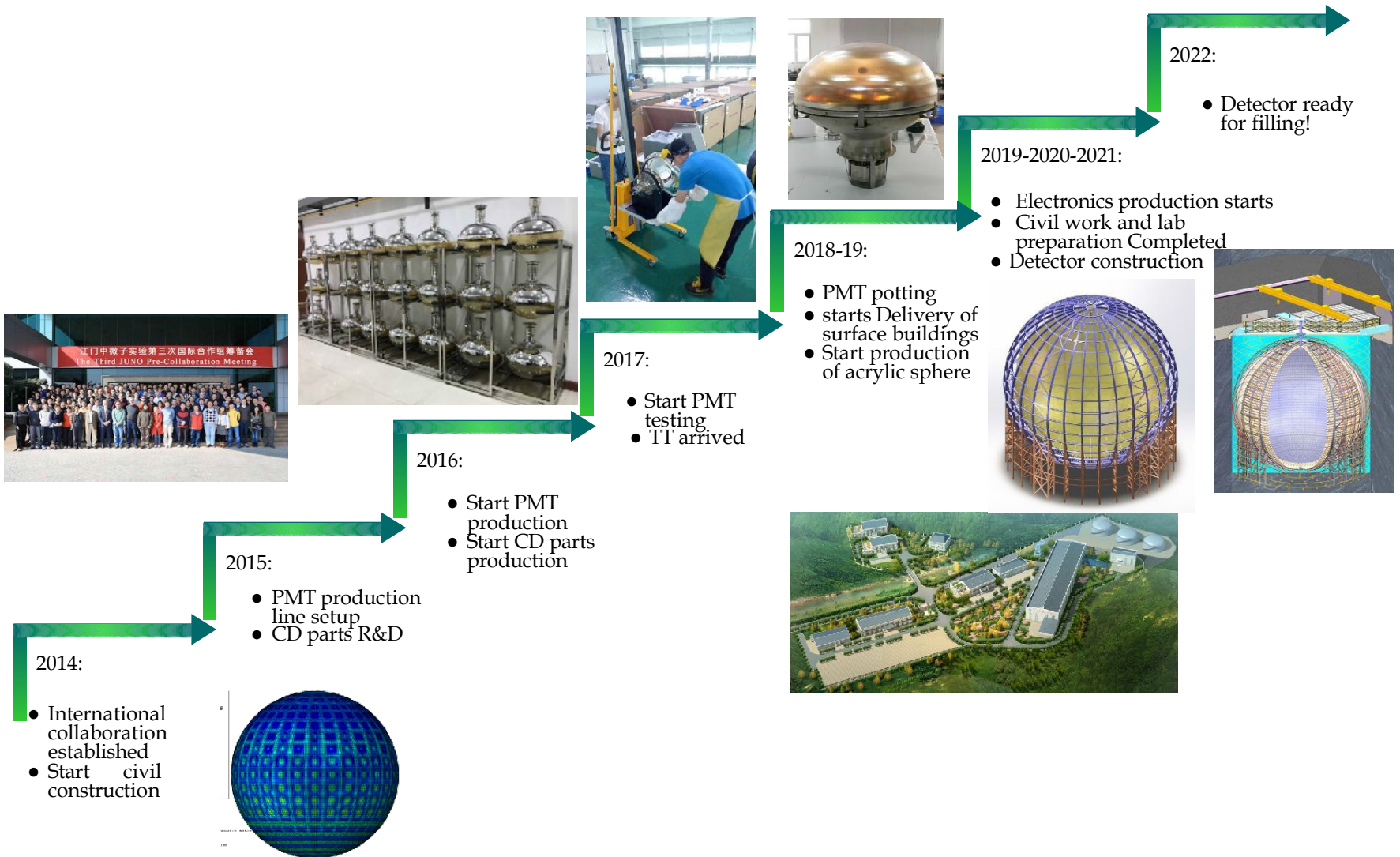
# Calibration systems

- The goal:
  - Overall energy resolution:  $\leq 3\%/VE$
  - Energy scale uncertainty:  $<1\%$
- Radioactive sources:
  - $\gamma$  :  $^{40}\text{K}$ ,  $^{54}\text{Mn}$ ,  $^{60}\text{Co}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$
  - $e^+$  :  $^{22}\text{Na}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Ge}$
  - $n$  :  $^{241}\text{Am-Be}$ ,  $^{241}\text{Am-}^{13}\text{C}$  or  $^{241}\text{Pu-}^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{252}\text{Cf}$
- Four complementary calibration systems
  - 1-D: Automatic Calibration Unit (ACU)  $\rightarrow$  for central axis scan,
  - 2-D:
    - Cable Loop System (CLS)  $\rightarrow$  scan vertical planes,
    - Guide Tube Calibration System (GTCS)  $\rightarrow$  CD outer surface scan,
  - 3-D: Remotely Operated under-LS Vehicle (ROV)  $\rightarrow$  full detector scan





# Milestone & schedule





# Conclusion

- The JUNO experiment provides vast physics opportunities with its **large mass** and **unprecedented energy resolution**
- Neutrino Mass Ordering sensitivity in 6-8 yrs:
  - $>3\sigma$  and can **reach  $>4\sigma$  with 1% constraint on  $\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2$**
- **Sub-percent measurement** of  $\sin^2\theta_{12}$ ,  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  and  $\Delta m_{ee}^2$
- Various astroparticle measurements
- **Several requirements: energy resolution, radiopurity, energy scale linearity**
- Near detector TAO planned for precise reference reactor spectrum
- Project well along the realization path
- Detector ready for filling: by end of **2022**