

Double Chooz:

A Reactor θ_{13} Experiment



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Double Chooz Collaboration



~150 people
33 institutes
8 countries



Collaboration

- Japan
 - Tohoku Univ.
 - Tokyo Metropolitan Univ.
 - Niigata Univ.
 - Tokyo Institute of Technology
 - Kobe Univ.
 - Tohoku Gakuin Univ.
 - Miyagi University of Education
 - Hiroshima Inst. of Technology
- USA
 - Livermore nat lab
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 - Chicago Univ
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 - Notre Dame U
 - Tennessee U
 - Alabama U
 - Drexel U
 - Illinois Inst tech
- France
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 - APC (collège de France)
 - Subatech Nantes
- Germany
 - Max planck Heidelberg
 - Munich U
 - Hamburg U
 - Tübingen U
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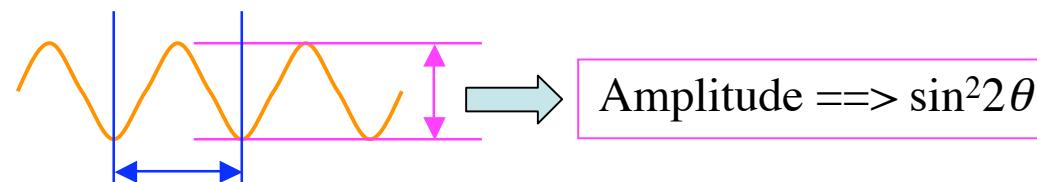
2 flavor mixing case

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad m_1, m_2$$

Anyway, if flavor and mass eigenstates mix & $m_1 \neq m_2$,
=> ν oscillates.

Since $E \gg m$,

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{(m_2^2 - m_1^2)L}{4E}$$



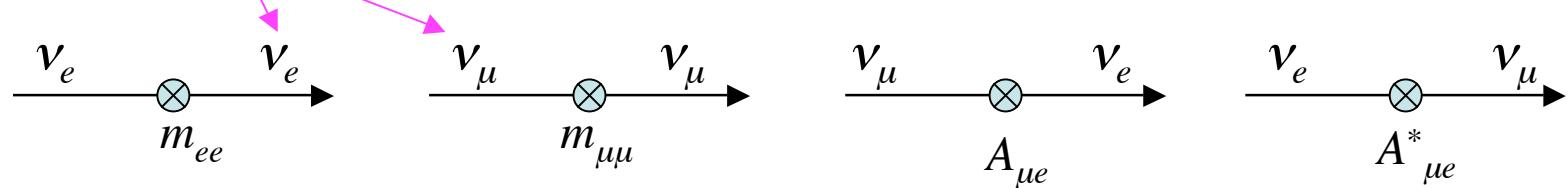
What We Measure by ν Oscillation

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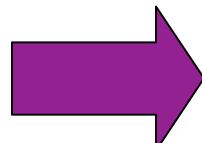


Weak Eigenstate

Transition amplitudes

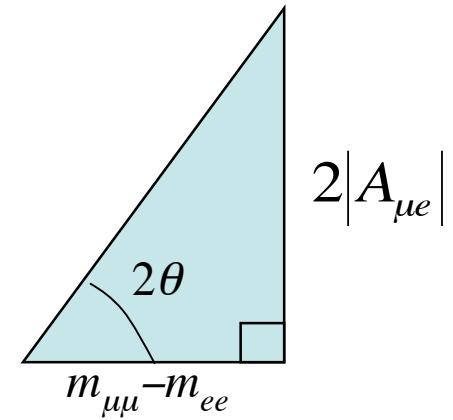


ν equation of motion: $i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{ee} & A_{ue} \\ A_{\mu e}^* & m_{\mu\mu} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$



$$\sin^2 2\theta = \frac{1}{1 + (m_{\mu\mu} - m_{ee})^2 / 4|A_{ue}|^2}$$

$$\Delta m_{12}^2 = |m_{\mu\mu}^2 - m_{ee}^2| \sqrt{1 + 4|A_{ue}|^2 / (m_{\mu\mu} - m_{ee})^2}$$



ν Oscillations: 3 flavor case

Mixings

MNS Matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}, \quad c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$

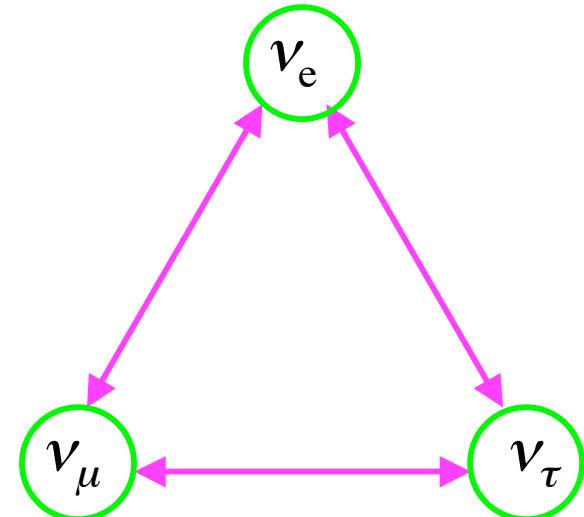
Oscillations

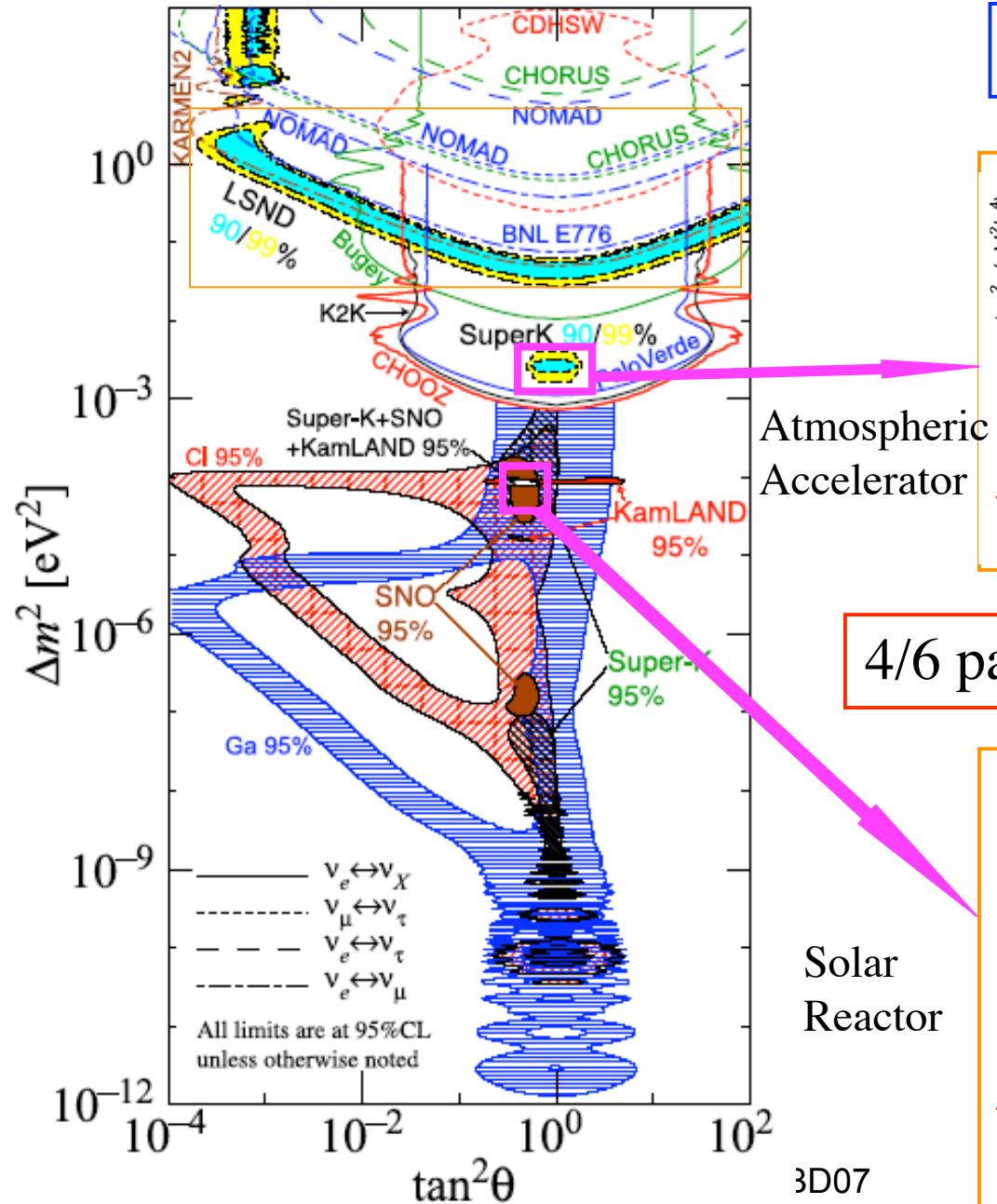
$$\frac{P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta)}{P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{i>j} \operatorname{Re}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin^2 \Phi_{ij} \mp 2 \sum_{i>j} \operatorname{Im}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin 2\Phi_{ij}$$

$$\left(\Phi_{ij} = \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E}, \quad \Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_j^2 - m_i^2 \right)$$

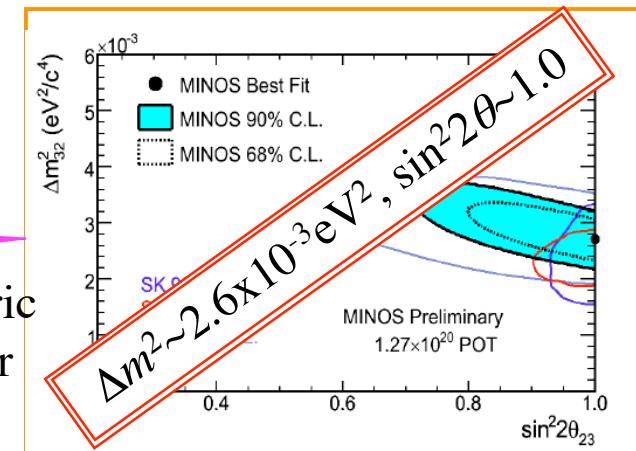
$$|\Delta m_{12}^2|, \quad |\Delta m_{23}^2|, \quad \theta_{12}, \quad \theta_{23}, \quad \theta_{31}, \quad \delta$$

6 parameters can be accessible from neutrino oscillation.

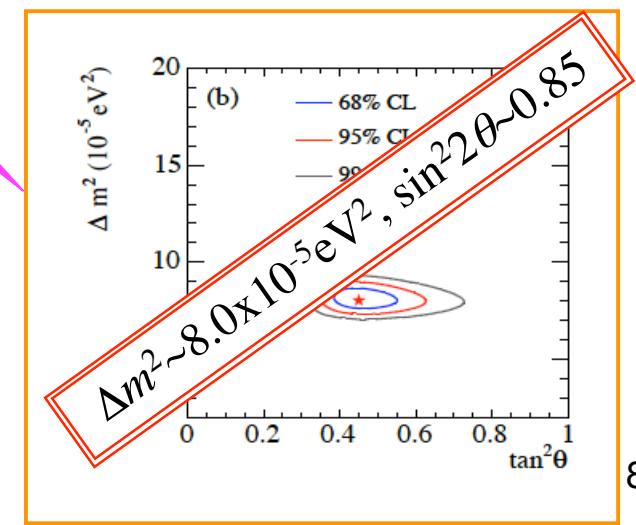




Two Oscillations

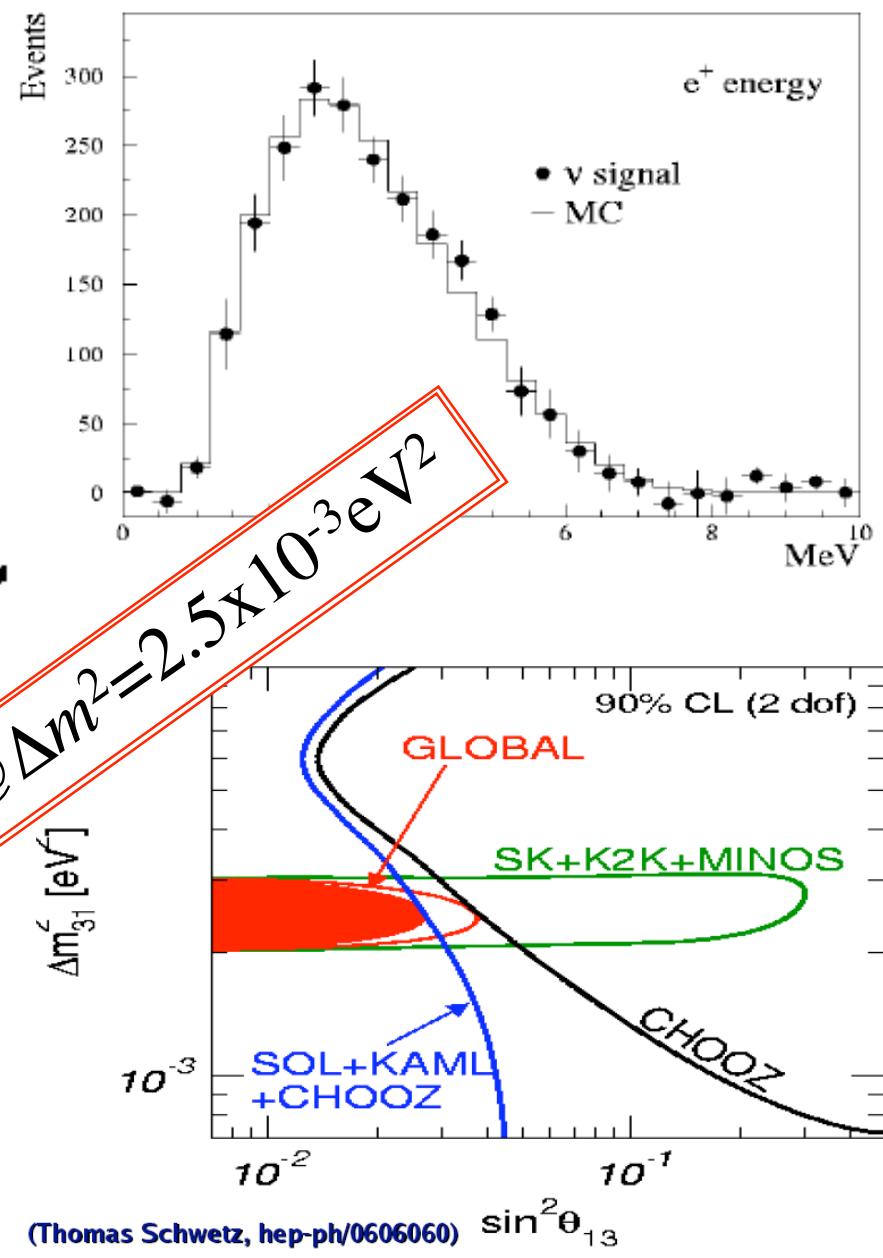
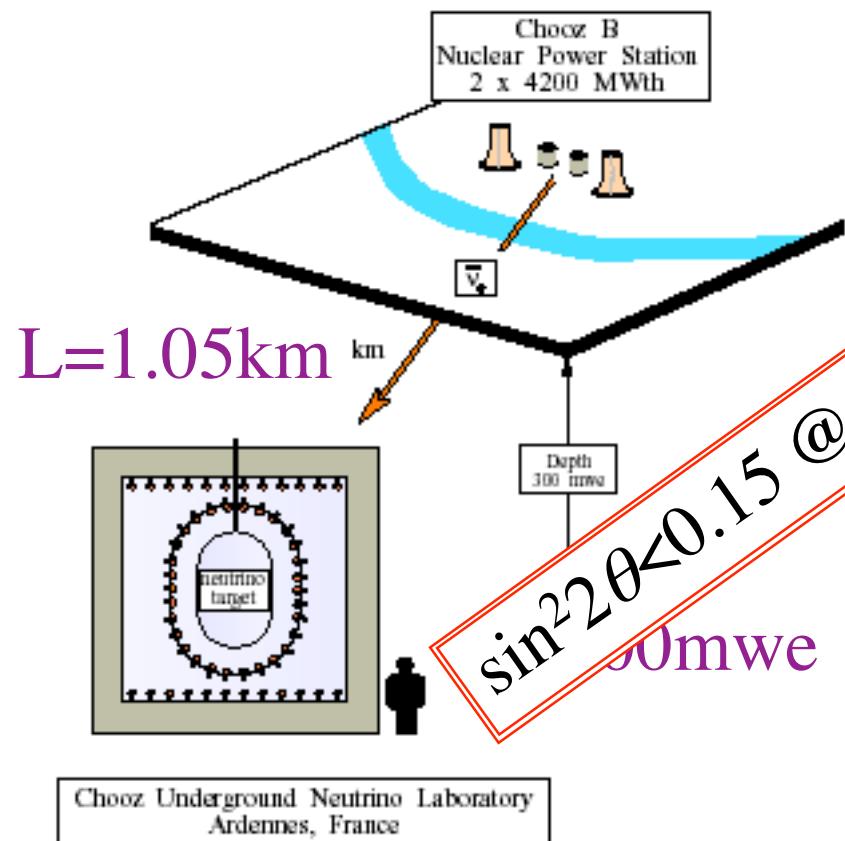


4/6 parameters were measured



Upper limit

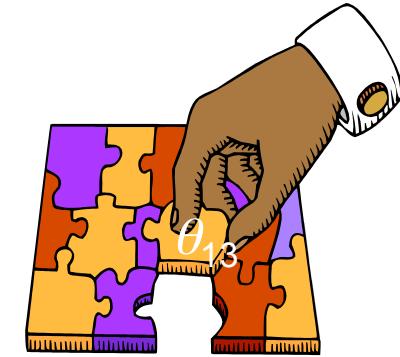
CHOOZ reactor ($\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$) experiment



Our Current Knowledge

$$|m_3^2 - m_2^2| \sim 2.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2, \quad (m_2^2 - m_1^2) \sim 8.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$U_{MNS} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ -0.4 & 0.6 & 0.7 \\ 0.4 & -0.6 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix} \quad |s_{13}| < 0.2$$



Transition Amplitudes, if $m_1 \ll m_2 \ll m_3$



$$m_{ee} \sim 5 \text{ meV}$$



$$m_{\mu\mu} \sim 30 \text{ meV}$$



$$m_{\tau\tau} \sim 30 \text{ meV}$$



$$A_{e\mu} \sim (30s_{13}e^{i\delta} + 3) \text{ meV}$$



$$A_{e\tau} \sim (30s_{13}e^{i\delta} - 3) \text{ meV}$$



$$A_{\mu\tau} \sim 20 \text{ meV}$$

θ_{13} is a last piece

=> Measurement is important to complete the puzzle

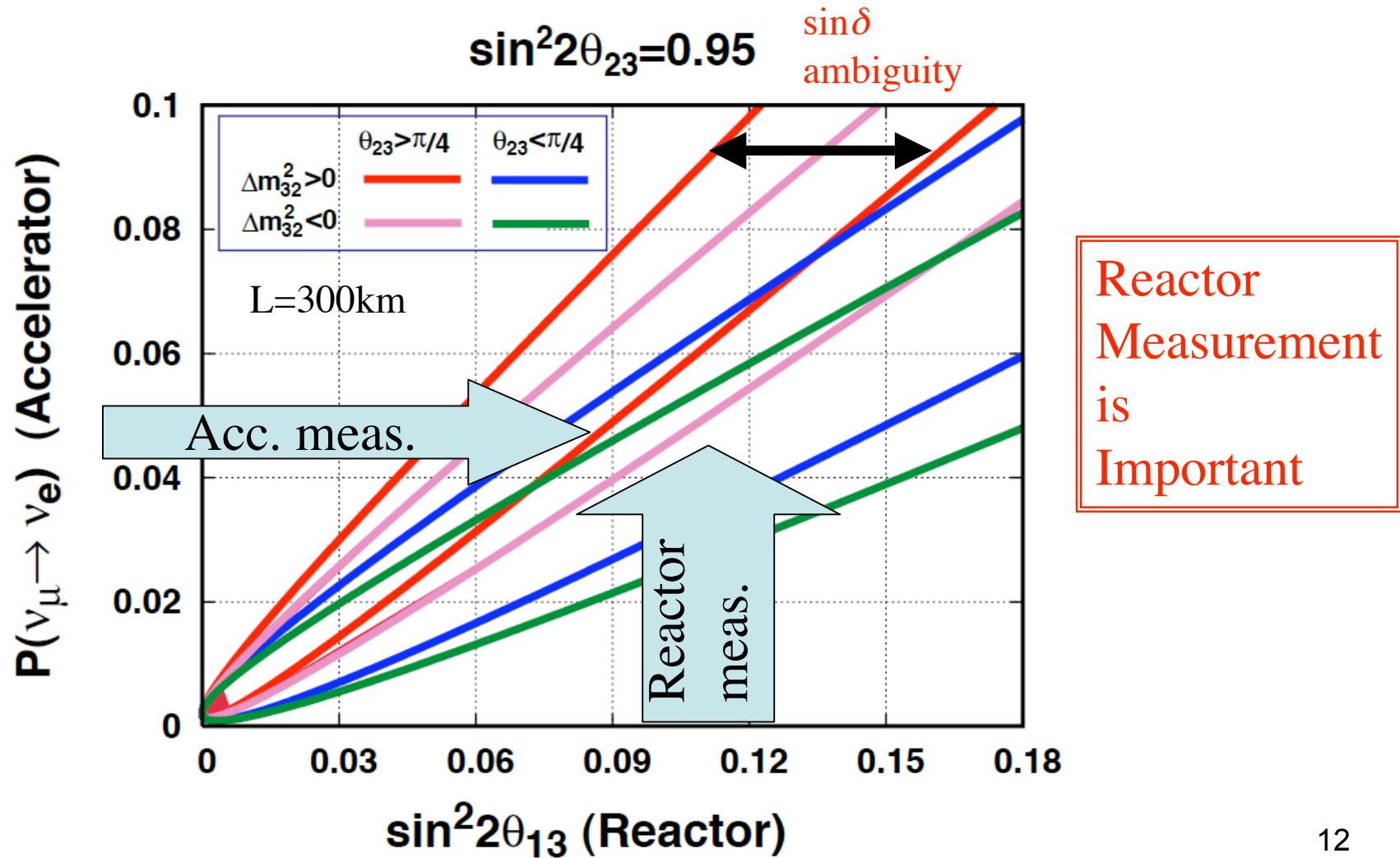
Remaining Issues of ν Oscillation Studies

Issue	Method
θ_{13}	$[\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e]_A \sim \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \mp 0.05 \cdot \sin \theta_{13} \sin \delta$ $[\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e]_R = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$
δ	$[\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e]_A - [\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e]_A \sim \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$
θ_{23} degeneracy $\sin \theta_{23} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{23}}}{2}$	$[\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e]_A \sim \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \mp 0.05 \cdot \sin \theta_{13} \sin \delta$
mass hierarchy ($m_2 < m_3$ or $m_3 < m_2$)	$[\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e] - [\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e]$ $\sim 0.00017 L [km] \cdot \text{sign}(\Delta m_{23}^2) \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$

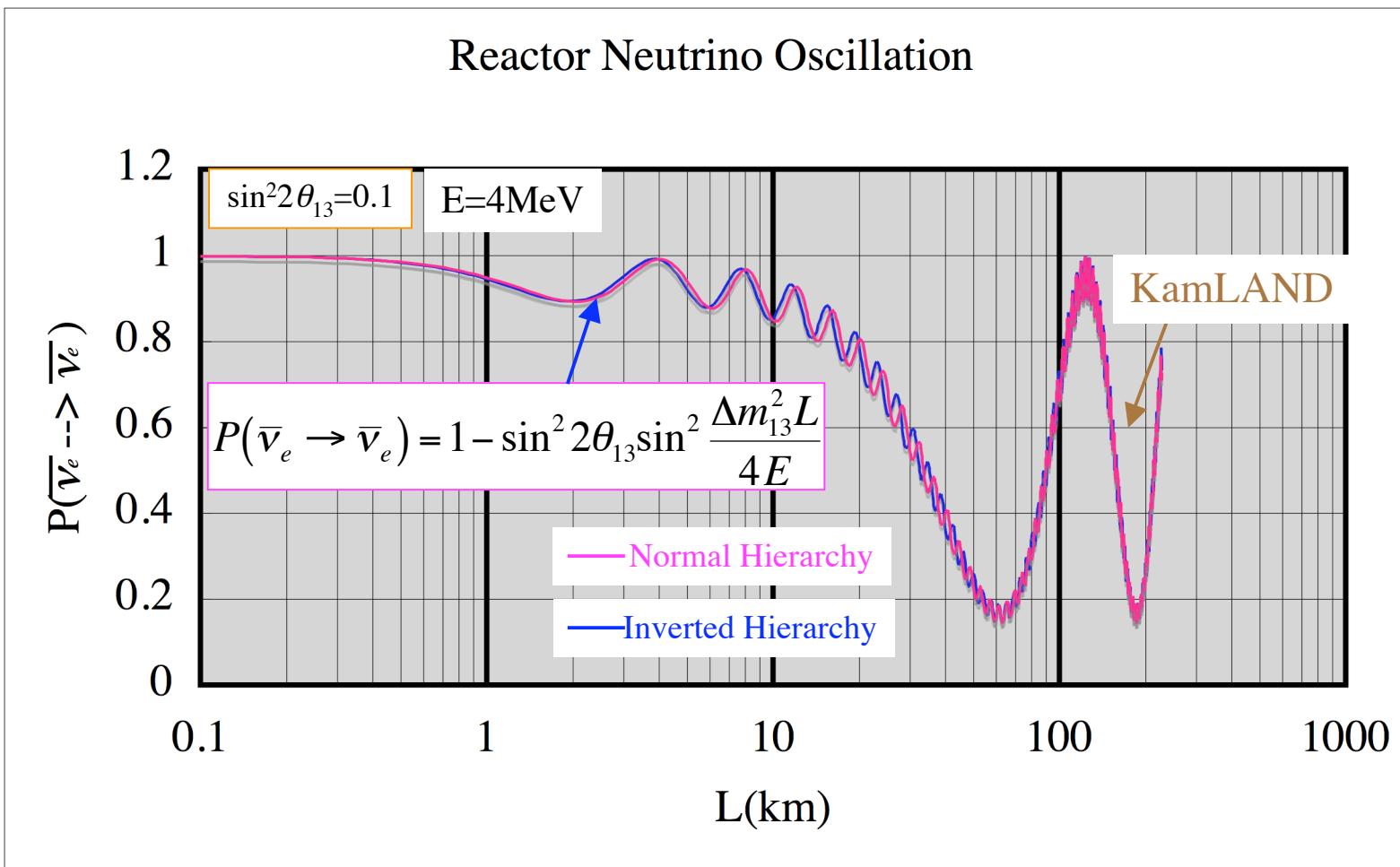
θ_{13} plays key roles => Measurement is urgent

Complementarity to Accelerator- θ_{13}

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{\text{app}} \simeq & \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \frac{\sin^2[(1 - \hat{A})\Delta]}{(1 - \hat{A})^2} \\
 \pm & \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \xi \sin \delta_{\text{CP}} \sin(\Delta) \frac{\sin(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}} \frac{\sin[(1 - \hat{A})\Delta]}{(1 - \hat{A})} \\
 + & \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \xi \cos \delta_{\text{CP}} \cos(\Delta) \frac{\sin(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}} \frac{\sin[(1 - \hat{A})\Delta]}{(1 - \hat{A})} \\
 + & \alpha^2 \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^2(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}^2},
 \end{aligned}$$

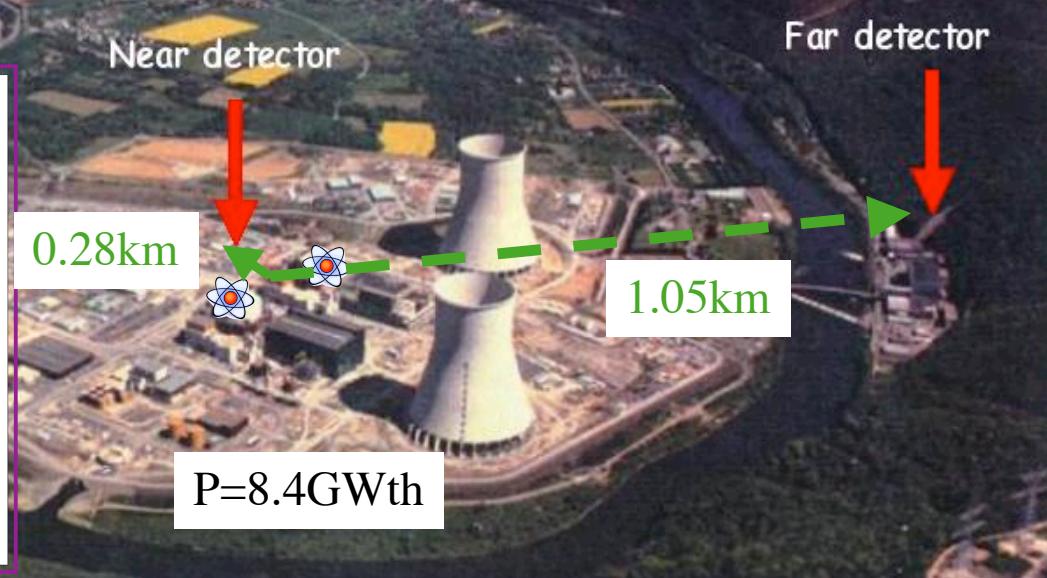
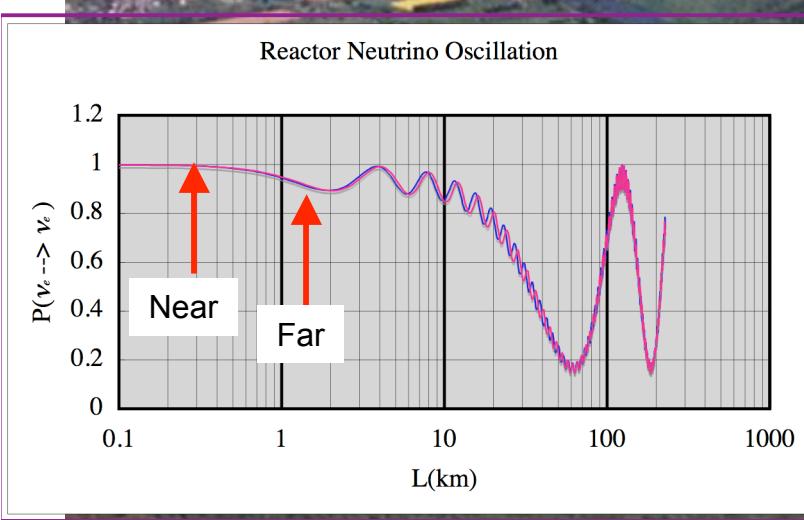
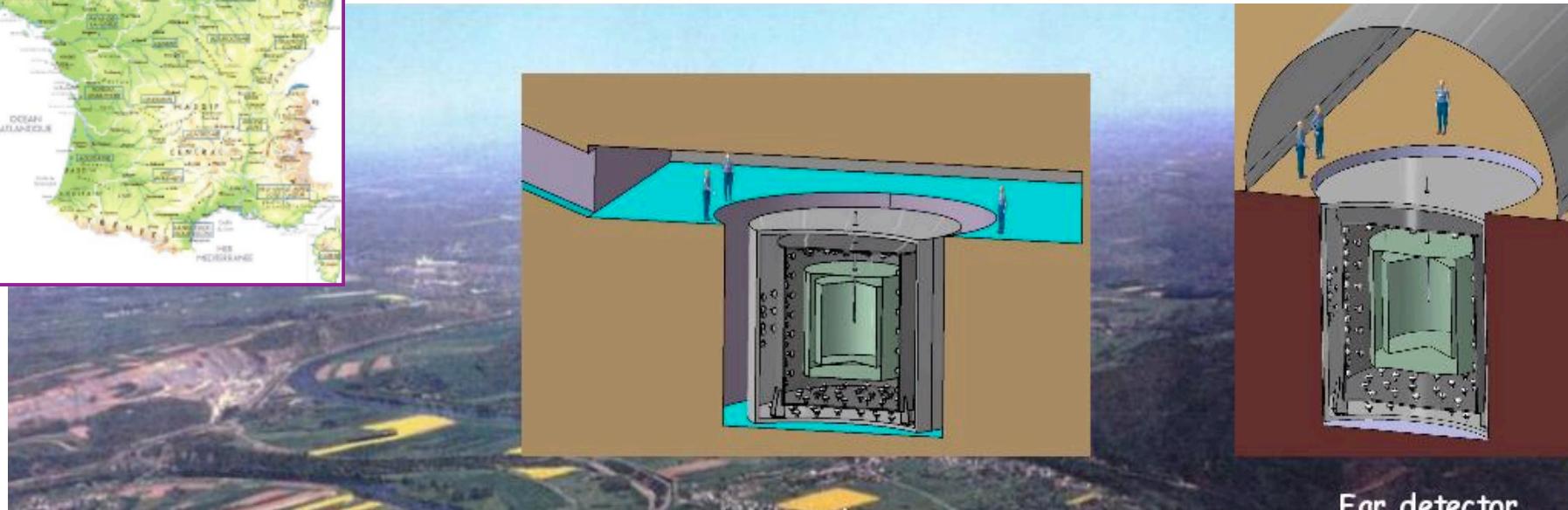


Reactor θ_{13} measurement



Small deficit ($=\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$) \implies High Precision is necessary ($\delta < 1\%$)

Double Chooz Experiment

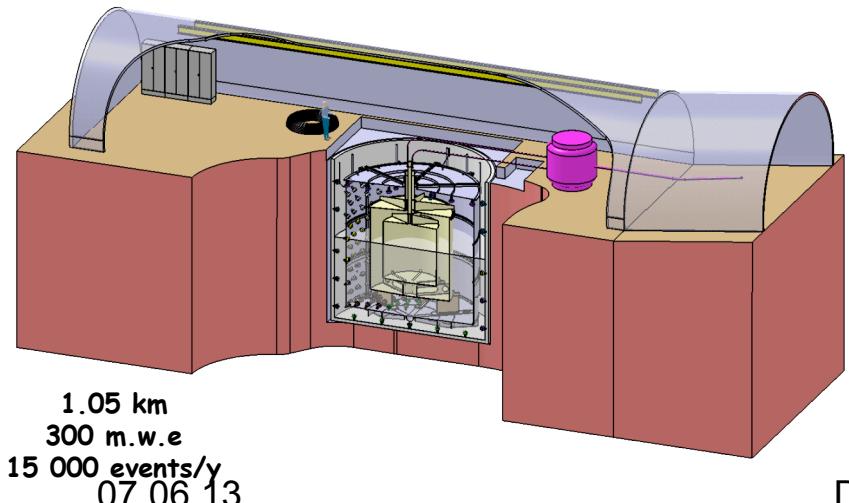




1 km site

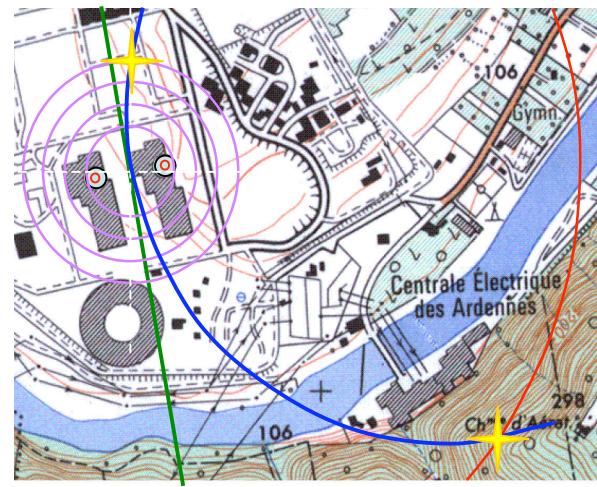


Integration to start mid-2007

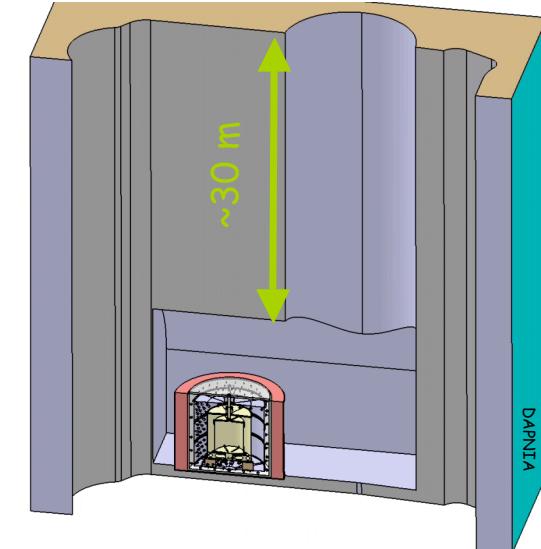


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280 m site



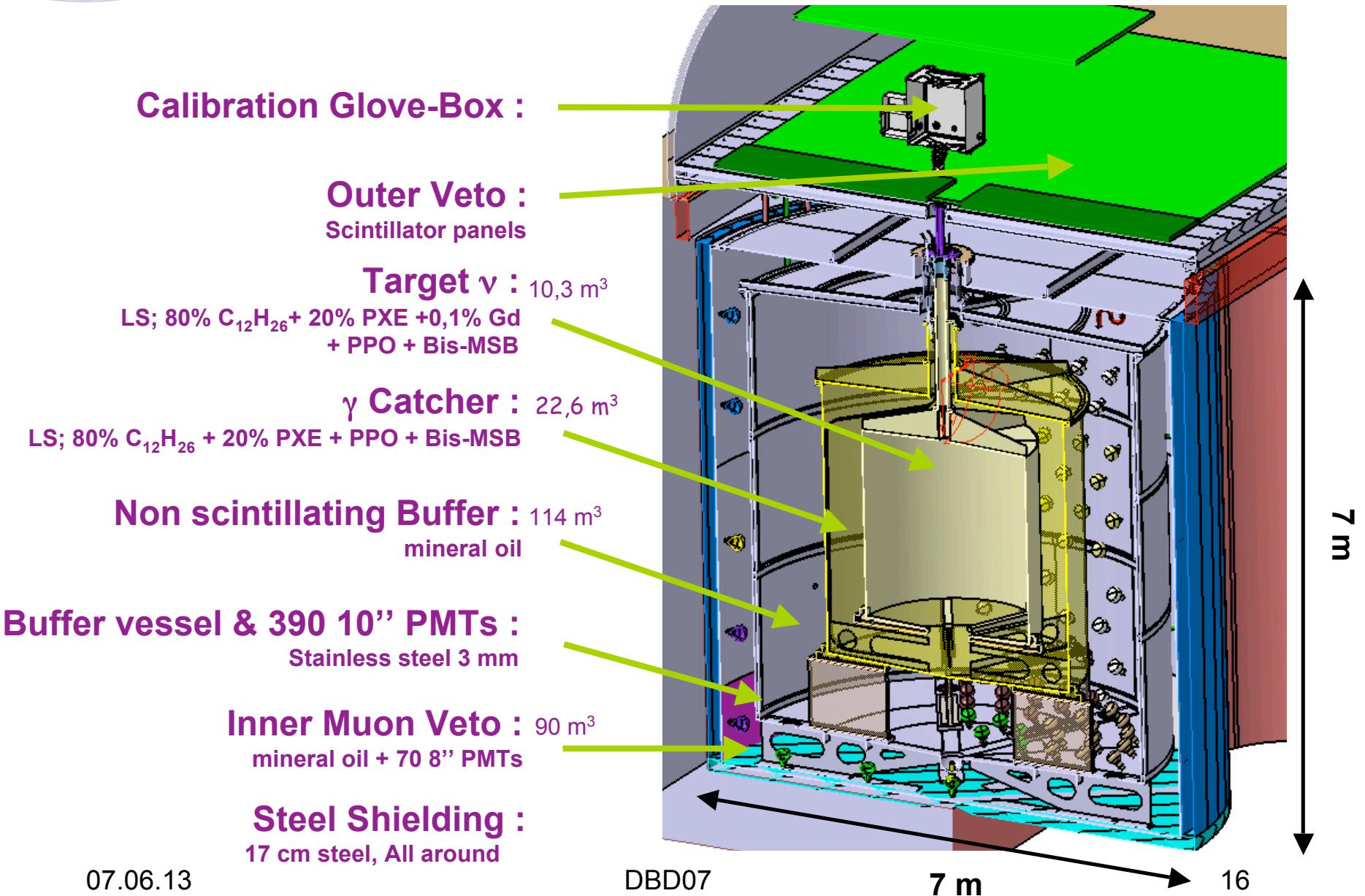
280 m
80 m.w.e
150 000 events/y



Integration end of 200915

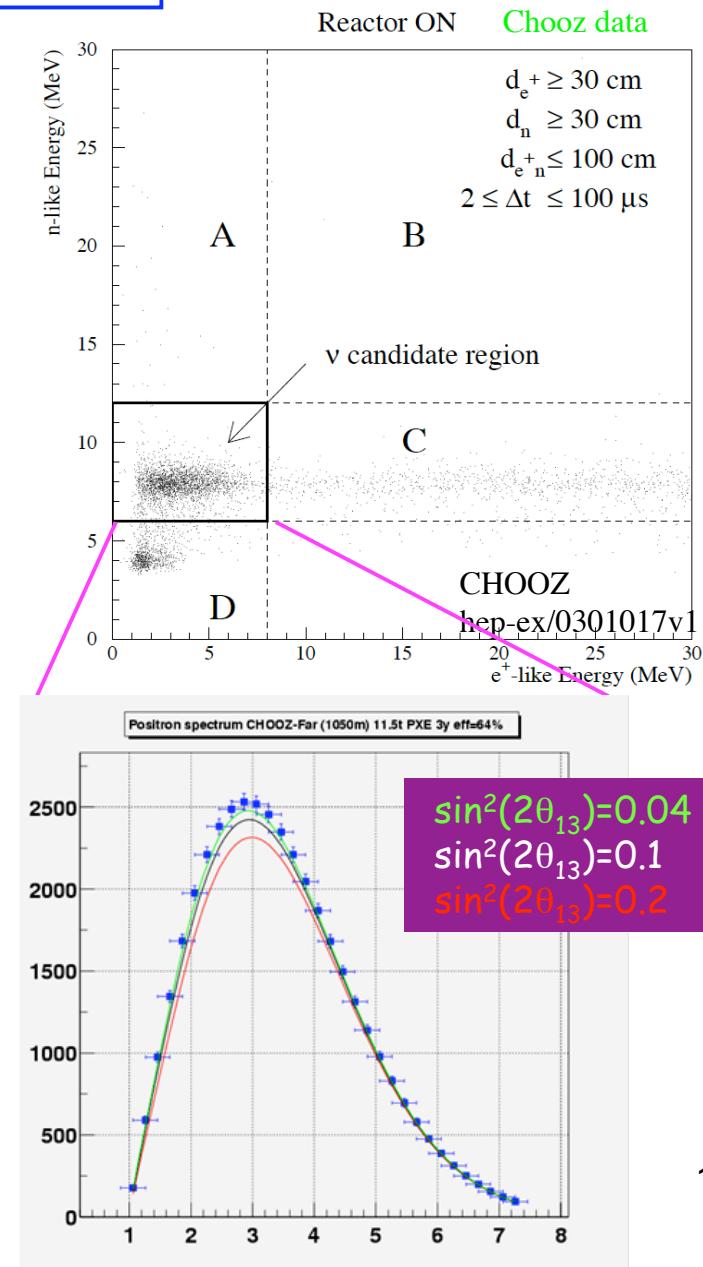
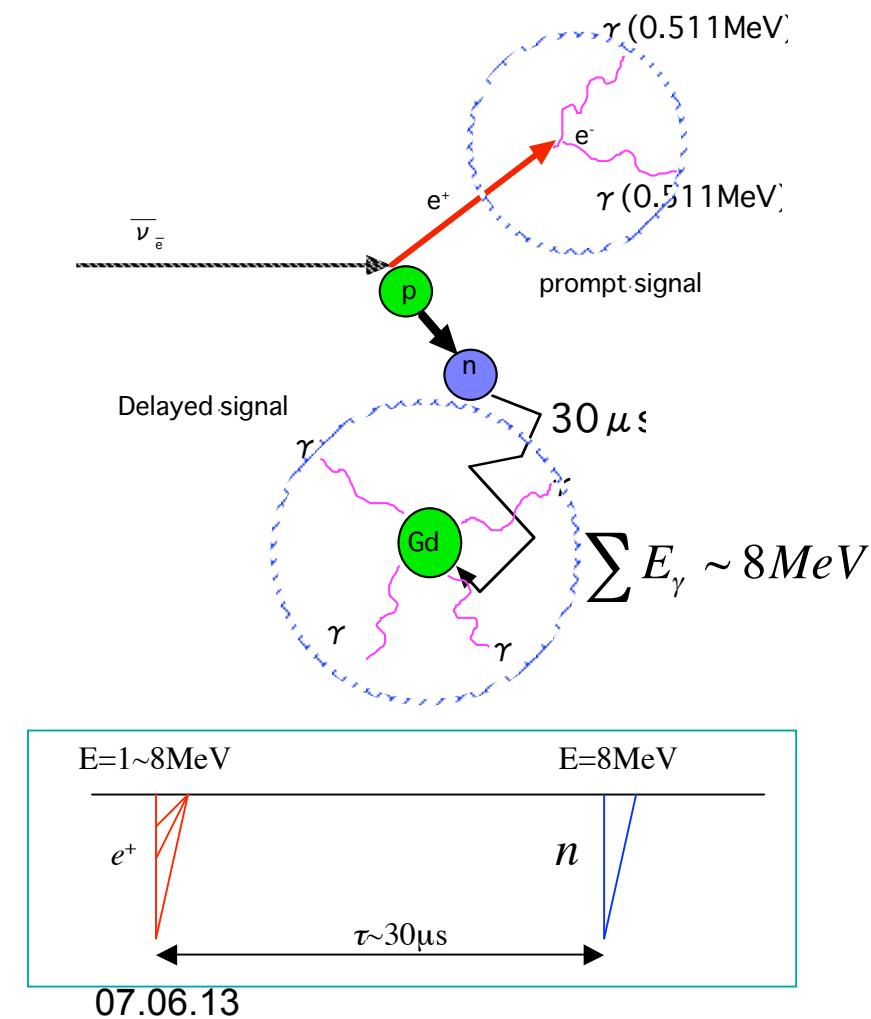


2004-2007: Detector design



$\bar{\nu}_e$ Detection

Gd doped liquid scintillator

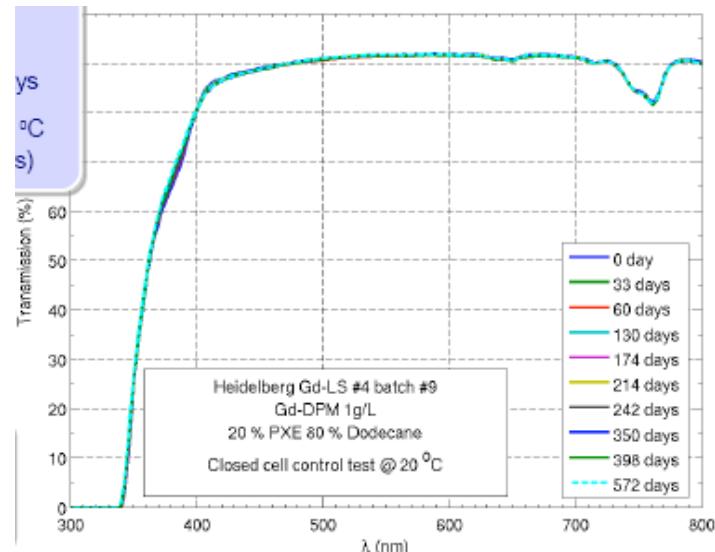
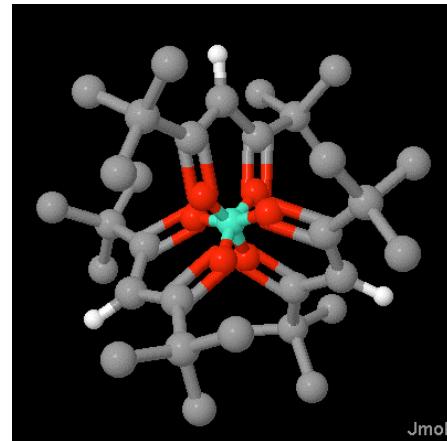




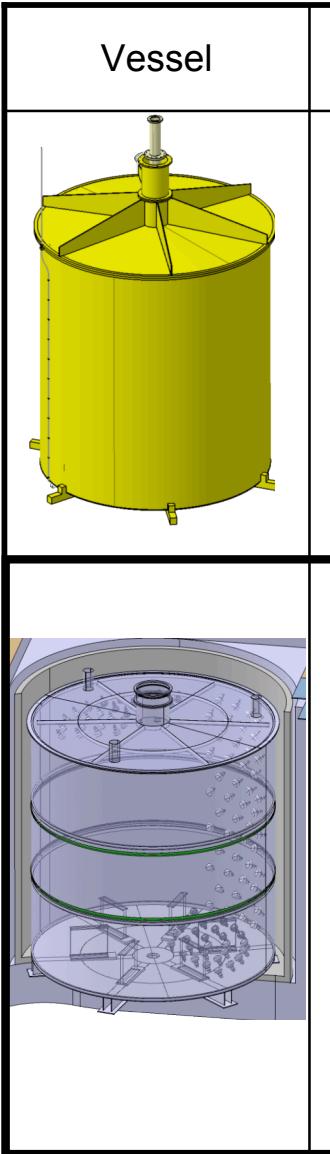
Gd doped scintillator

- **Solvent: 20% PXE – 80% Dodecane**
- **Gd loading: being developed @MPIK**

- 0.1% Gd loading of Gd-dmp (Beta Diketonate)
- Long term Stability promising
- LY ~7000 ph/MeV: 6 g/l PPO + 50 mg/l Bis-MSB
- Attenuation length: 5-10 m meters at 420 nm
- Radiopurity → U: 10^{-12} g/g - Th: 10^{-12} g/g - K: 10^{-9} g/g



- Heidelberg MPIK → Transition to industrial production of 100 kg of Gd → summer 2007
- On-site storage building available at Chooz → Upgrade will be done in 2007



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DoubleChooz



Mass Measurement

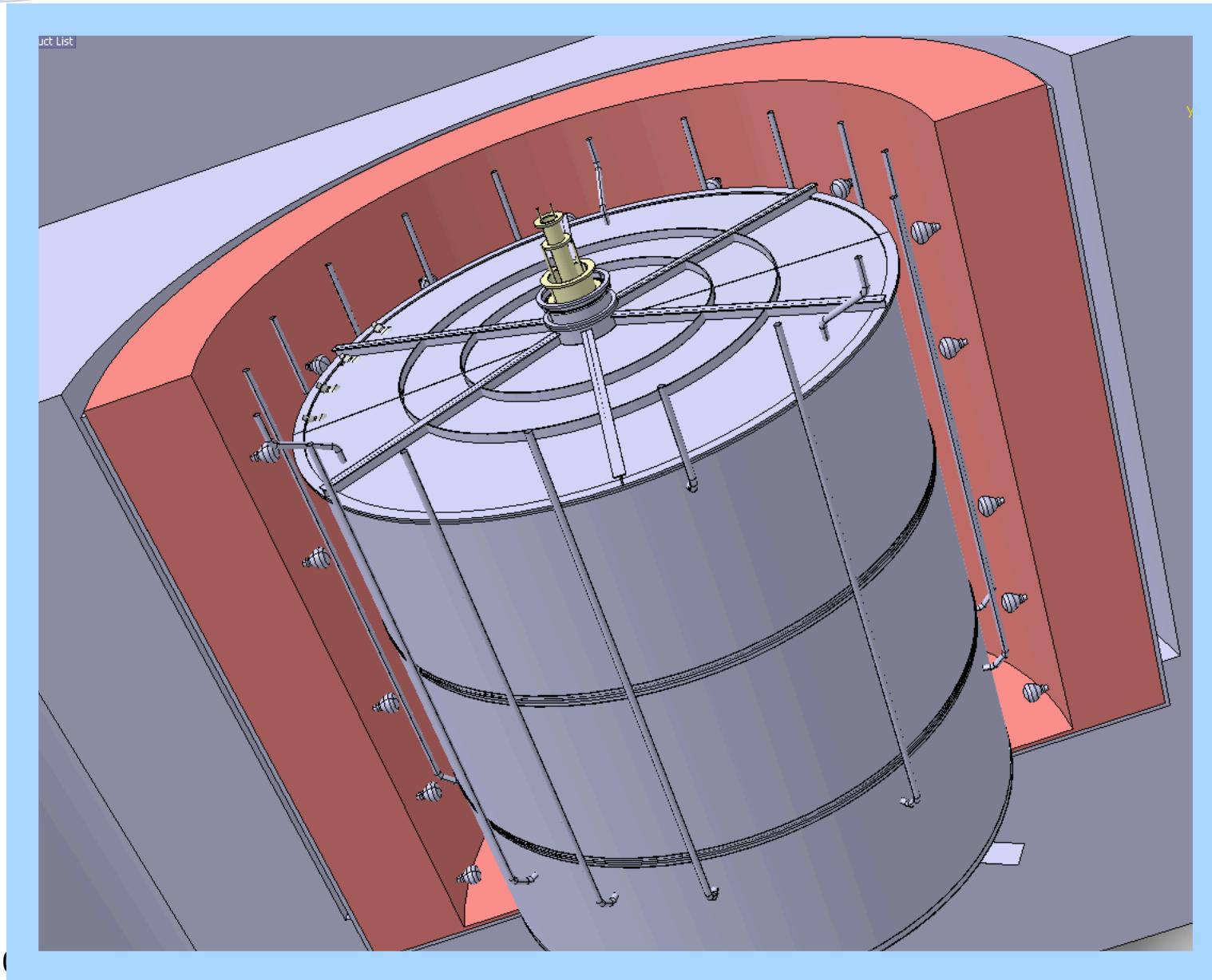
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& Integration



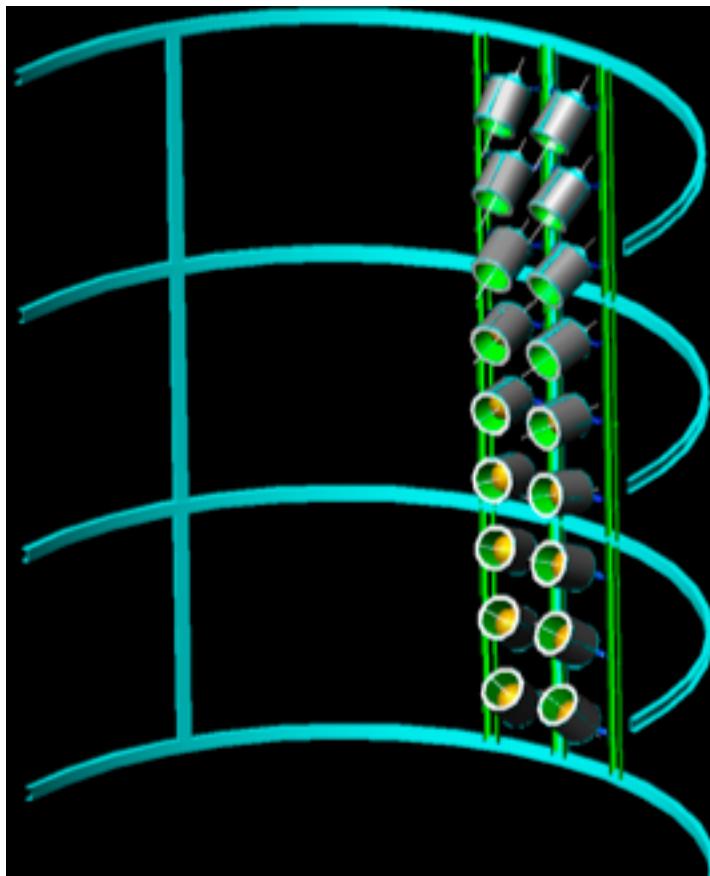
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Detector design



PMT & B Shield and Support

PMT geometry
390/detector



Magnetic Shield
Support Structure
Spain

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high performance
low background
10" PMT
Japan



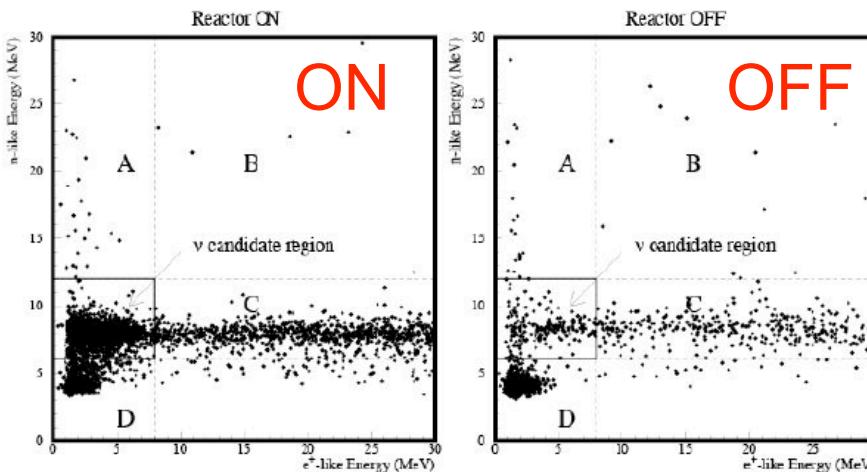
Improving CHOOZ:

@CHOOZ: $R = 1.01 \pm 2.8\%(\text{stat}) \pm 2.7\%(\text{syst})$ \rightarrow current θ_{13} limit

- Statistical error -

	CHOOZ	Double-Chooz
Target volume	5.6 m^3	10.3 m^3
Target composition	$6.8 \times 10^{28} \text{ H/m}^3$	$6.8 \times 10^{28} \text{ H/m}^3$
Data taking period	Few months	3-5 years
# of Events	2700	CHOOZ-far : $40\ 000/3 \text{ y}$ CHOOZ-near: $>1 \times 10^6/3 \text{ y}$
Statistical error	2.7%	0.5%

$$\text{Luminosity increase } L = \Delta t \times P(\text{GW}) \times N_p$$



Backgrounds

CHOOZ reactor
off data

Detector	Site	Background					
		Accidental		Correlated			
		Materials	PMTs	Fast n	μ -Capture	${}^9\text{Li}$	
CHOOZ (24 ν/d)	Far	Rate (d^{-1})	—	—	—	—	0.6 ± 0.4
		Rate (d^{-1})	0.42 ± 0.05		$1.01 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.1(\text{sys})$		
		bkg/ ν	1.6%		4%		
		Systematics	0.2%		0.4%		
Double Chooz (69 ν/d)	Far	Rate (d^{-1})	0.5 ± 0.3	1.5 ± 0.8	0.2 ± 0.2	< 0.1	1.4 ± 0.5
		bkg/ ν	0.7%	2.2%	0.2%	$< 0.1\%$	1.4%
		Systematics	<0.1%	<0.1%	0.2%	$< 0.1\%$	0.7% (highlighted)
Double Chooz (1012 ν/d)	Near	Rate (d^{-1})	5 ± 3	17 ± 9	1.3 ± 1.3	0.4	9 ± 5
		bkg/ ν	0.5%	1.7%	0.13%	$< 0.1\%$	1%
		Systematics	<0.1%	<0.1%	0.2%	$< 0.1\%$	0.2%

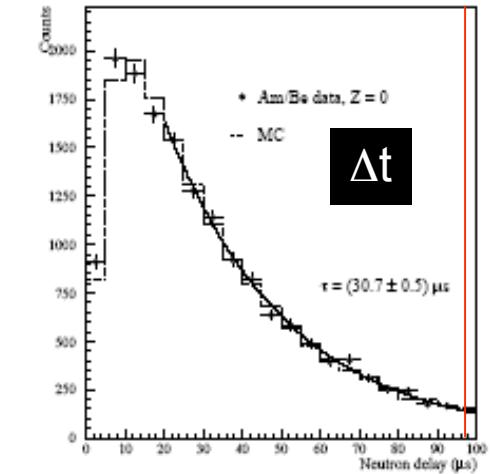
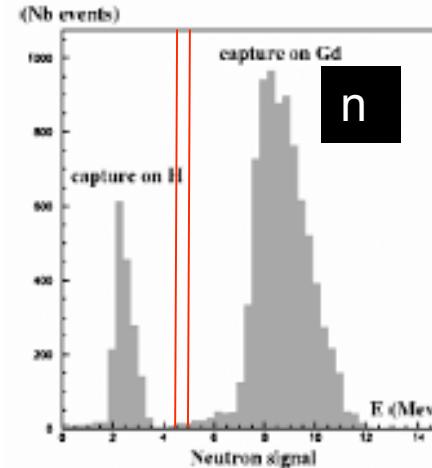
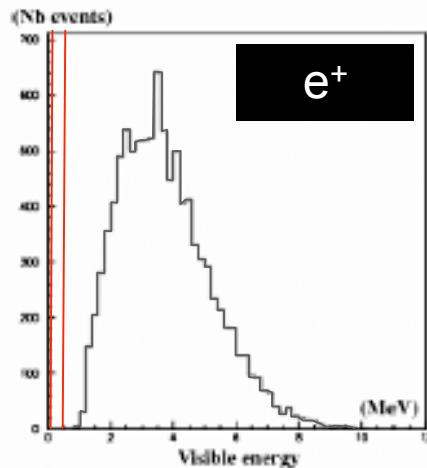
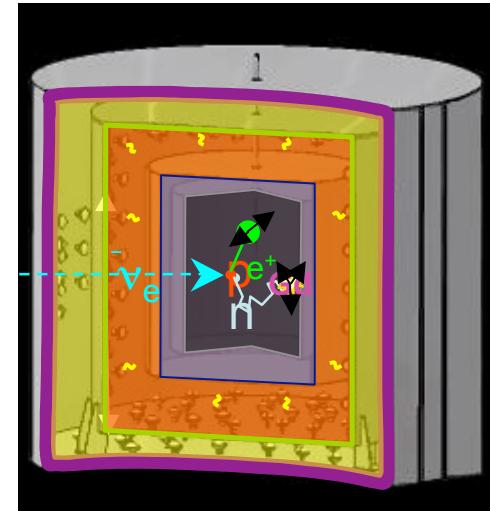


Systematics

		Chooz	Double-Chooz
Reactor-induced			
Detector - induced	Volume	0.3 %	0.2 %
			Same weight sensor for both det.
Analysis	Live time	few %	0.25 %
	From 7 to 3 cuts	1.5 %	0.2 - 0.3 %
Total		2.7 %	< 0.6 %

Relative Normalization: Analysis

- ✓ @Chooz: 1.5% syst. err.
 - 7 analysis cuts
 - Efficiency ~70%
- ✓ Goal Double-Chooz: ~0.3% syst. err.
 - 2 to 3 analysis cuts
- ✓ Selection cuts
 - neutron energy
 - (- distance e+ - n) [level of accidentals]
 - Δt (e+ - n)

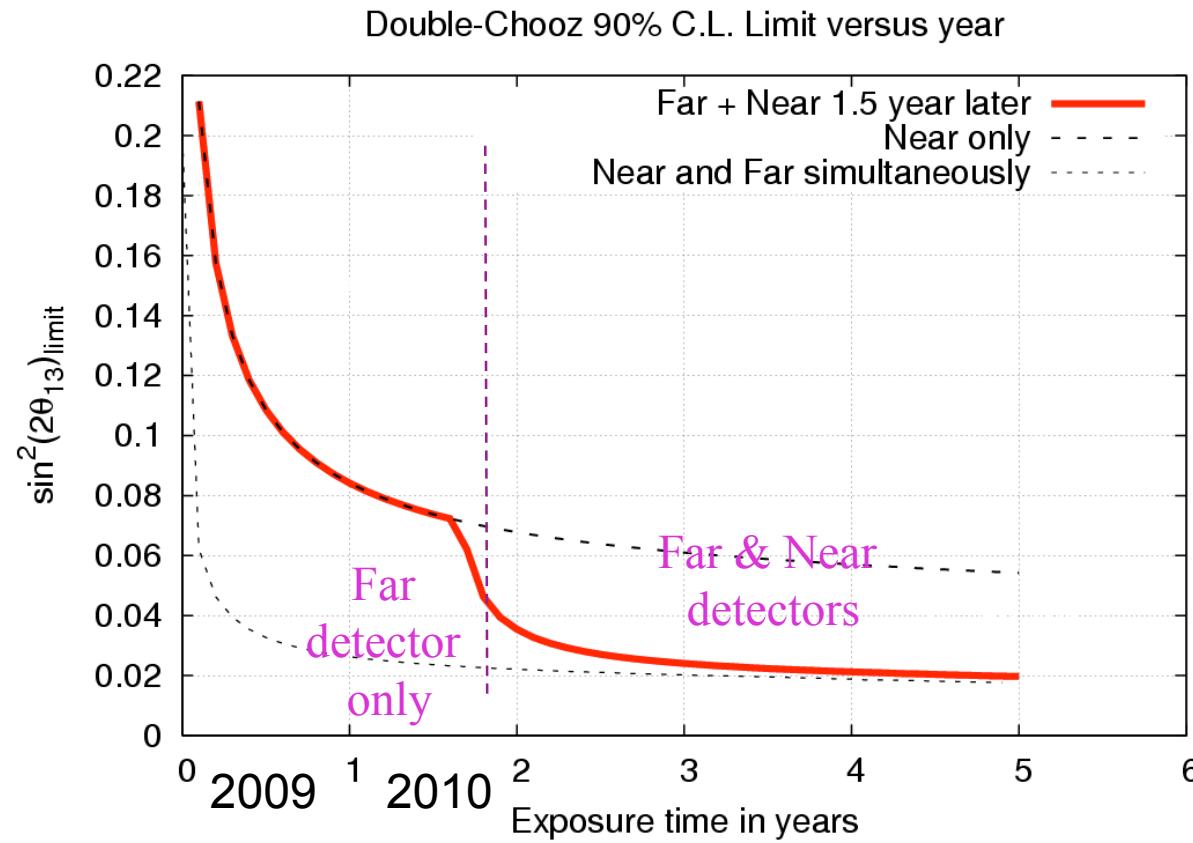


- * Efficiency is insensitive to the energy scale error
- * No fiducial cuts

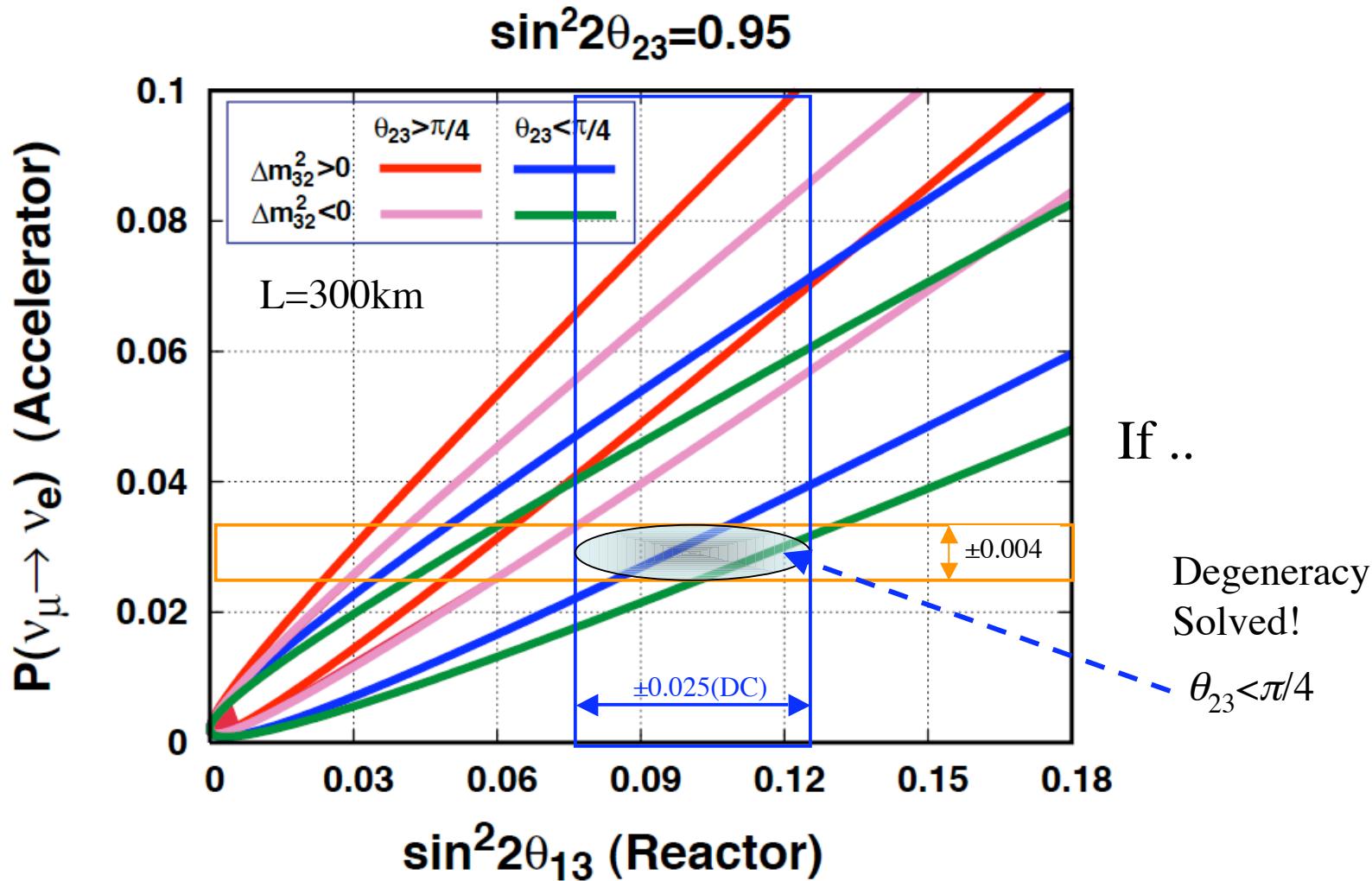
Sensitivity

Double-Chooz Far Detector starts in 2008
 Double-Chooz Near detector follows 16 months later

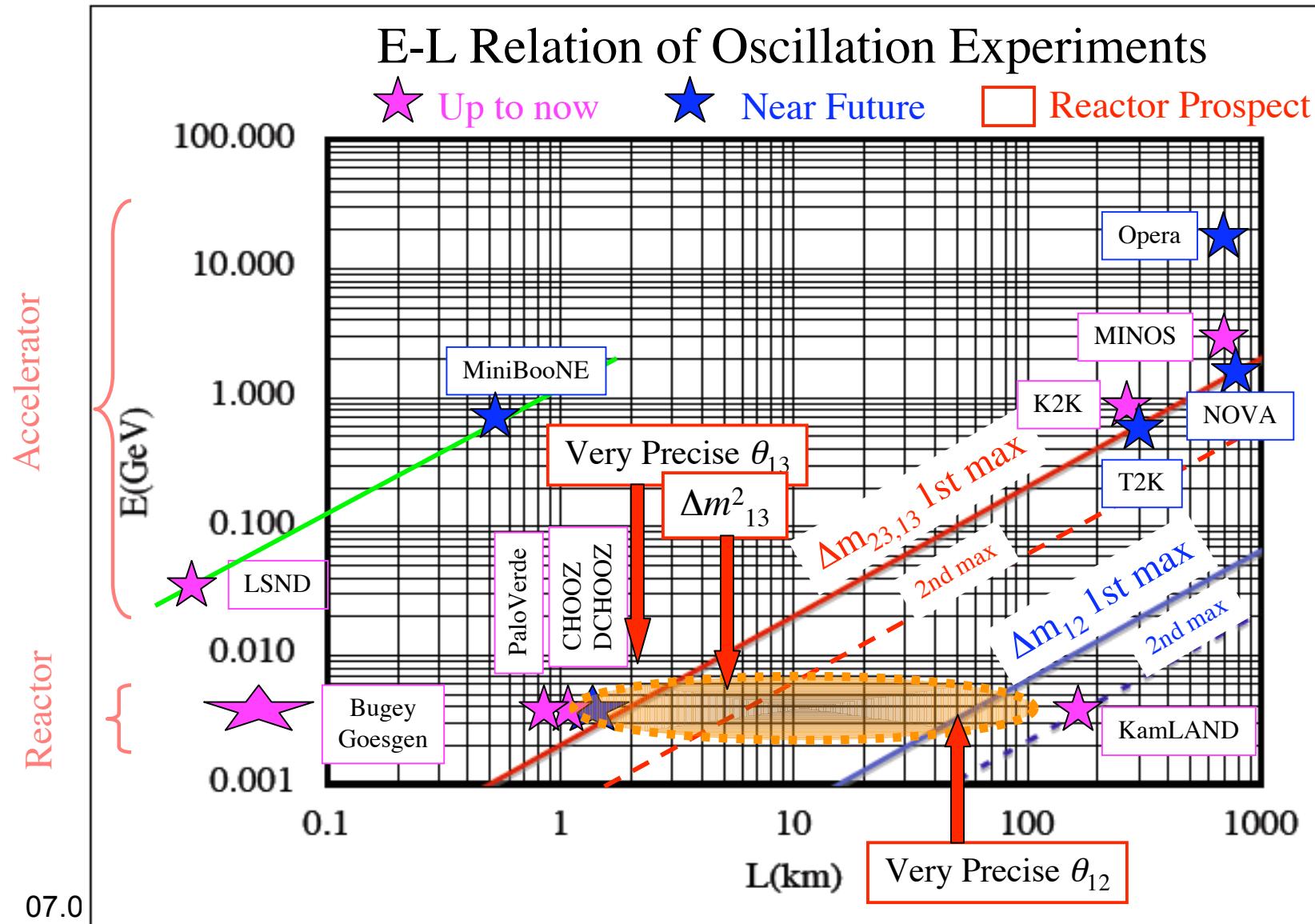
90% C.L. contour if $\sin^2(2\theta)=0$
 $\Delta m_{atm}^2 = 2.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ is supposed to be known at 20% by MINOS



One possible case of Complementarity to Accelerator- θ_{13}



Potential of Reactor ν experiments





Conclusions & outlook

Double Chooz R&D's are in final stages
& Detector Construction starts this year.

First data taking expected to start in 2008
with far detector only

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) < 0.06 \text{ in 1,5 year}$$

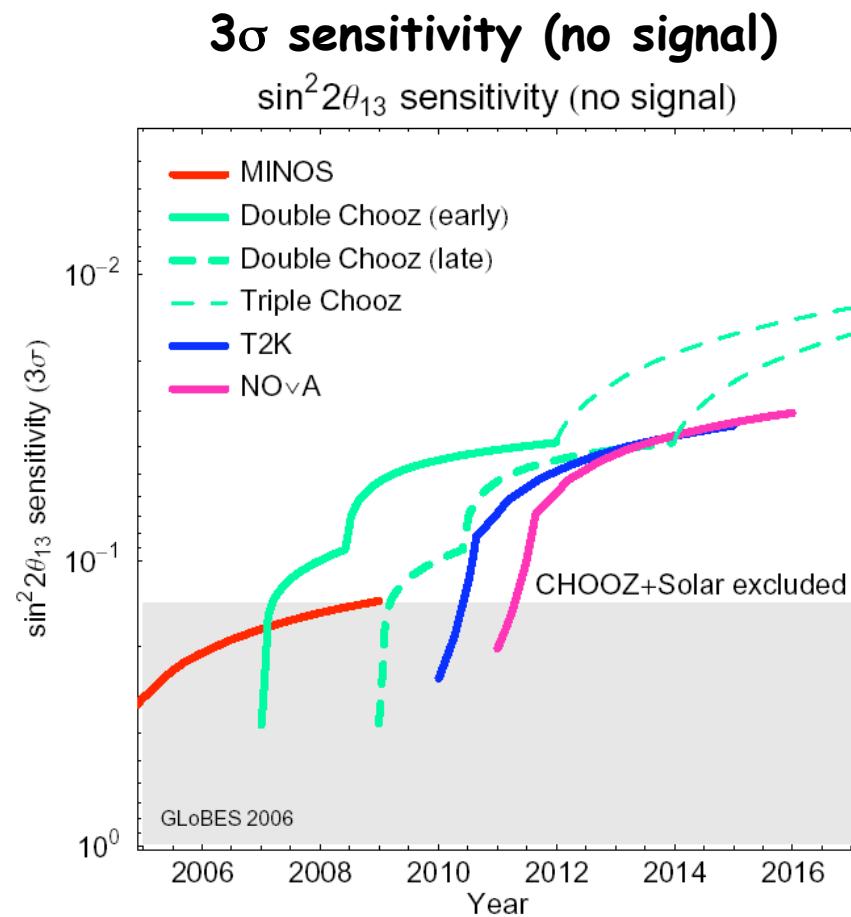
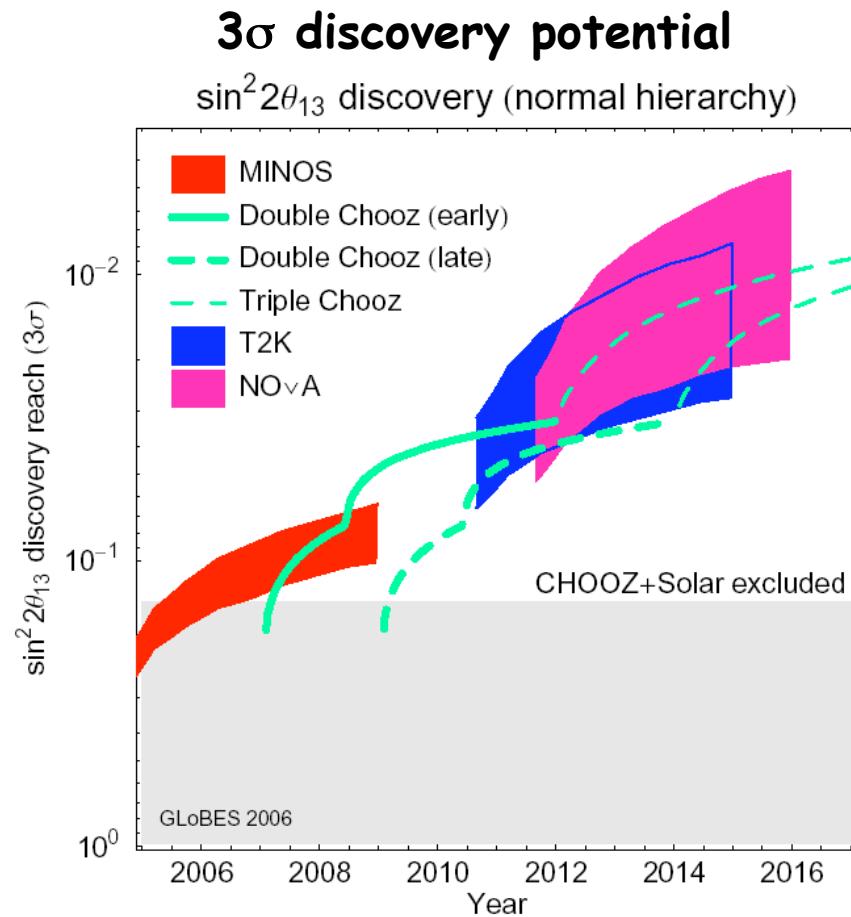
In 2010 take data with both near and far detectors

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) < 0.025 \text{ in 3 years}$$

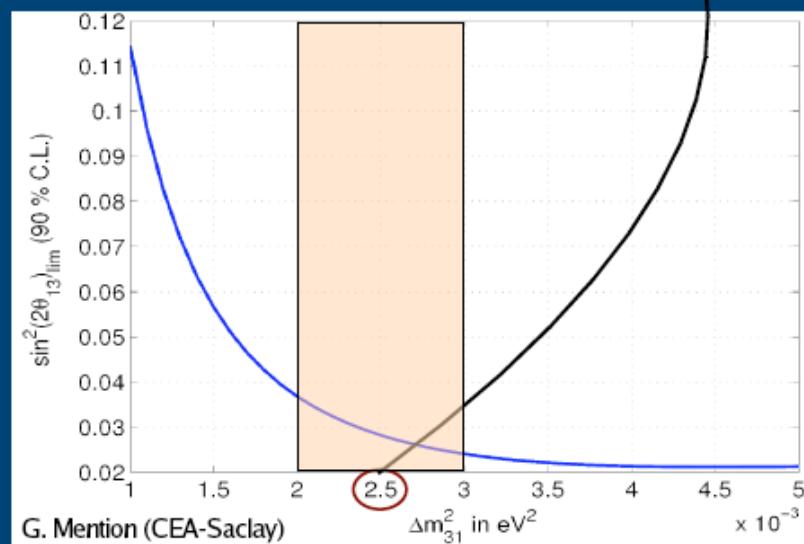
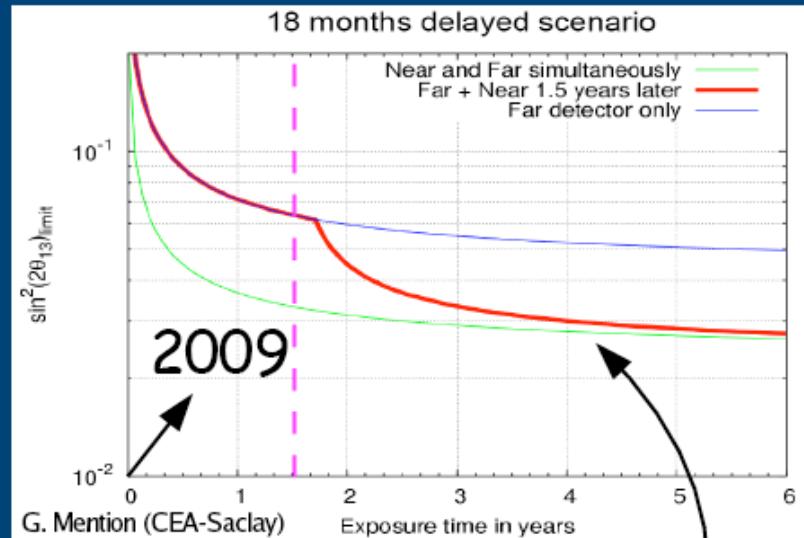
We will know or set a strong limit on the size of θ_{13}
within a few years & the neutrino oscillation studies
will go in a new phase.

Back ups

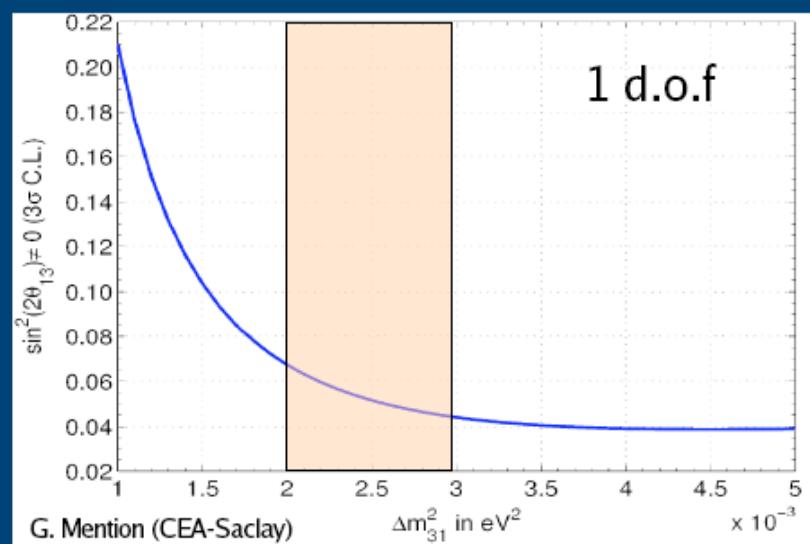
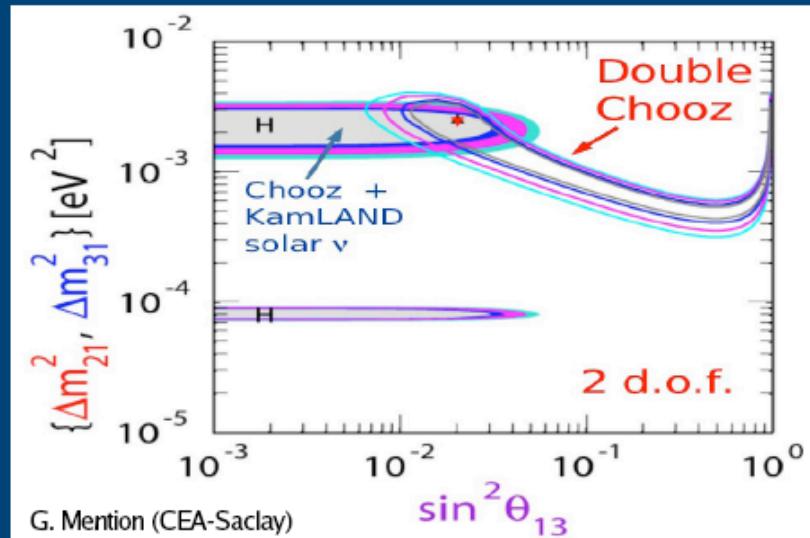
Experimental context



Sensitivity (a limit is put)



Discovery potential (a measurement is done)

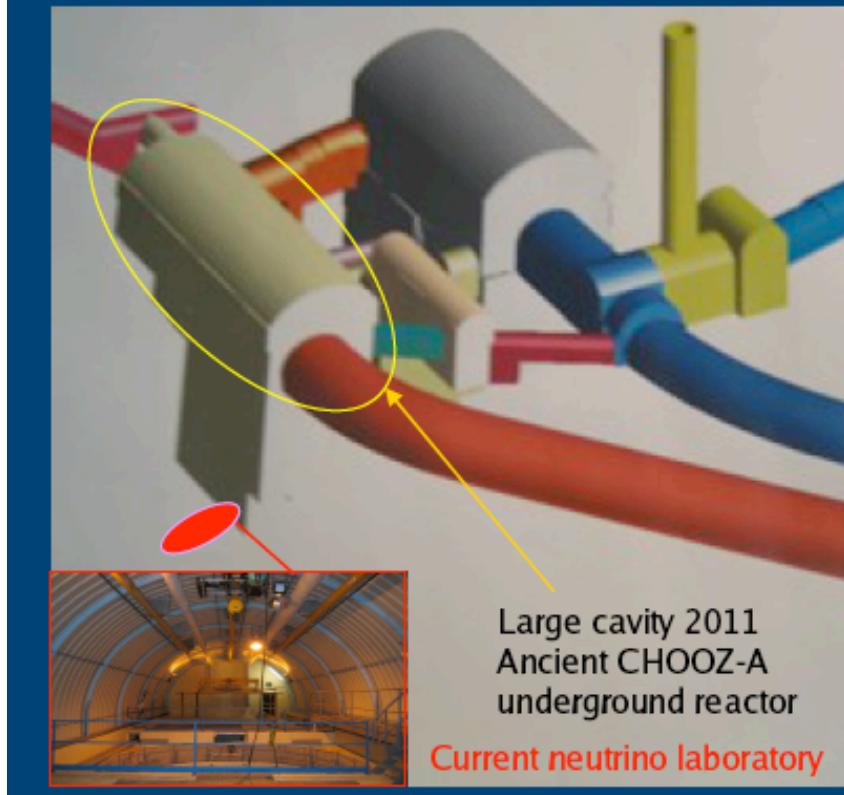


Triple Chooz

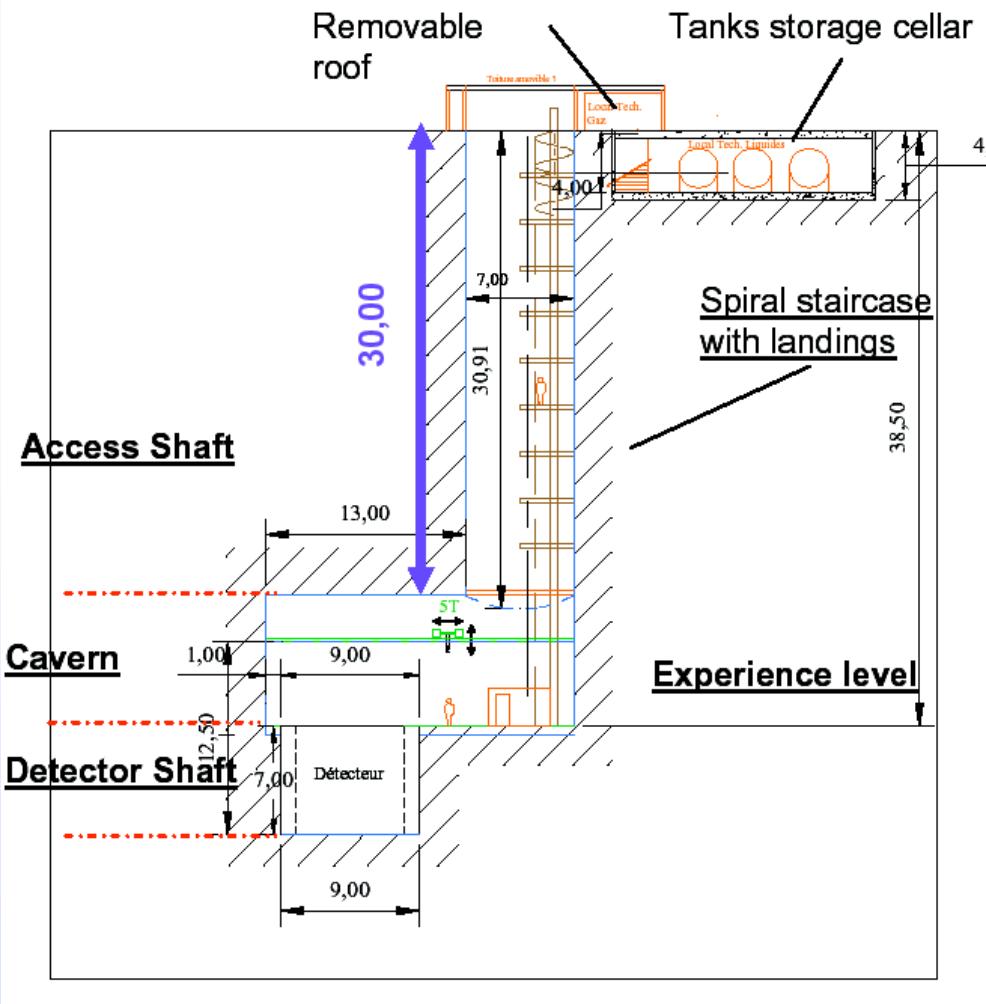
Just an idea ... !

Large cavity next to existing lab, available from 2011 (after dismantling of the ancient CHOOZ-A underground reactor).

A >100t detector could add to Double Chooz to investigate spectral distortions



Near laboratory infrastructure



Preliminary civil engineering study beginning 2006

Detailed study 2006-2007

Autorisation & call for the bid 2007-2008

Construction 2008-2009

- 45 m shaft
- Liquid storage area
- Buildings & equipements

Integration from end of 2009