

A Little Ghost Growing Big



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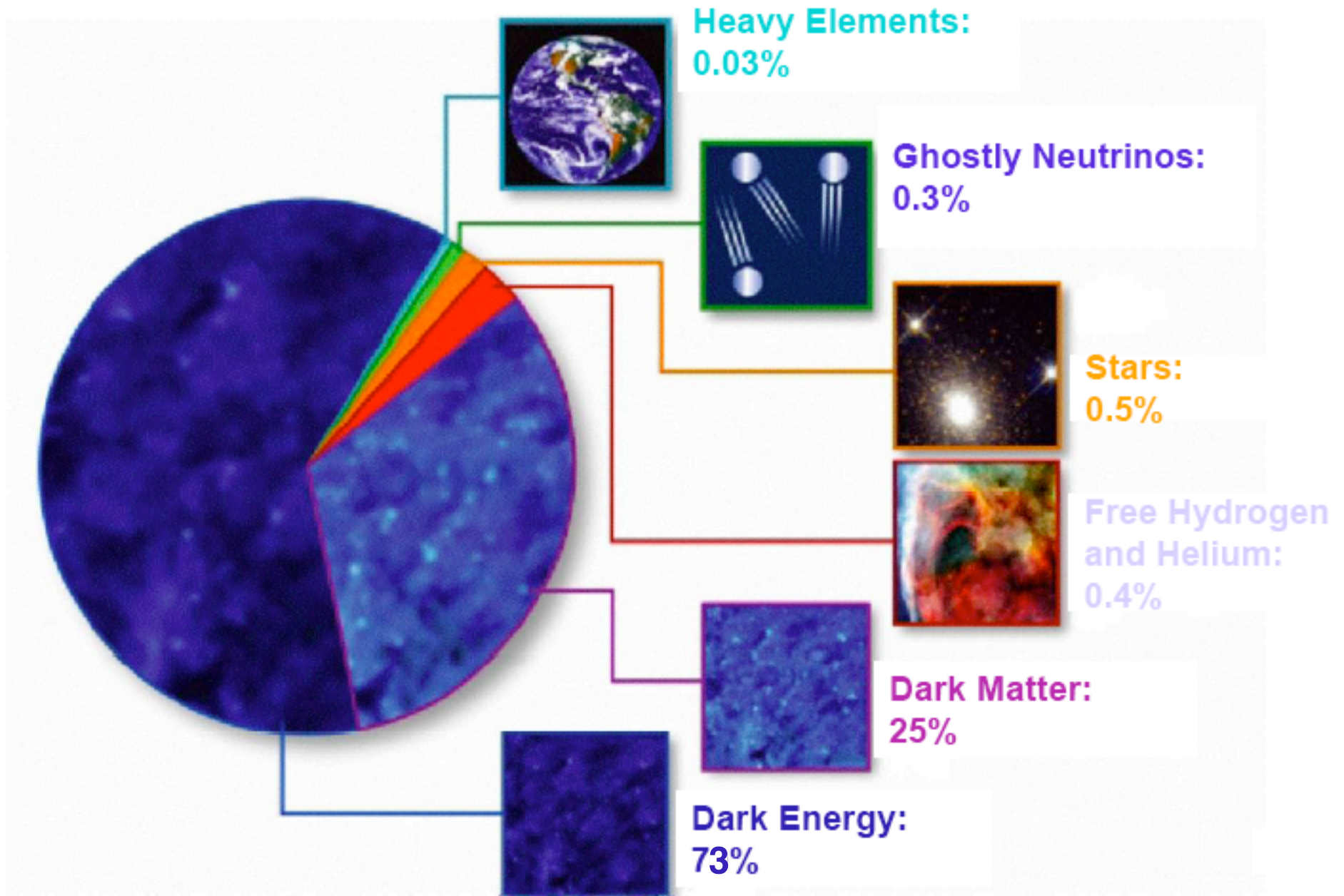
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Neutrino

Neutrinos Are Key Cosmic Ingredient





$\sim 5 \times 10^6$ solar neutrinos/cm²/s
raining down on Earth

cosmic ray

Top of the Atmosphere

p

π^0

π^\pm



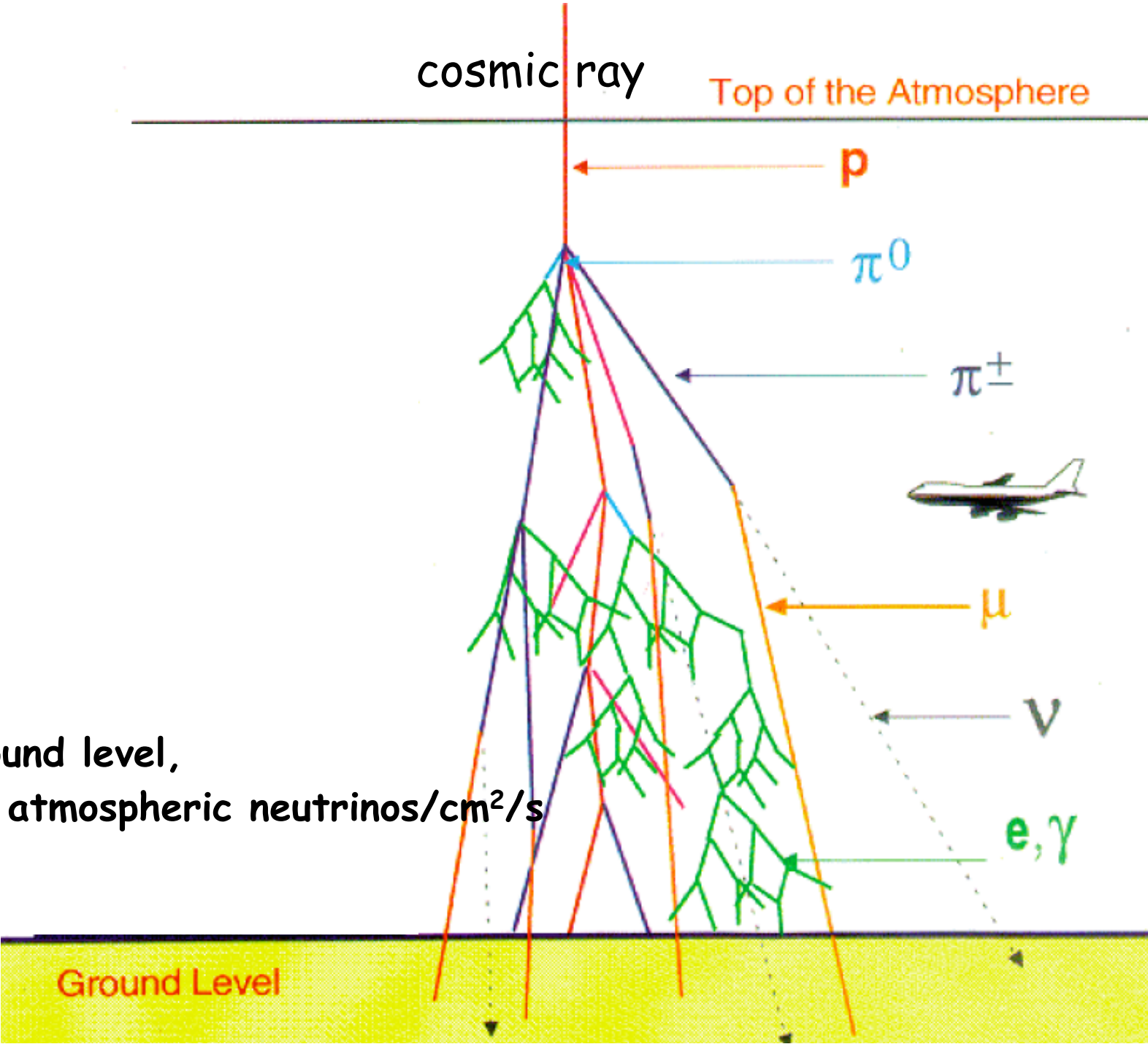
μ

ν

e, γ

At ground level,
 ~ 0.03 atmospheric neutrinos/cm²/s

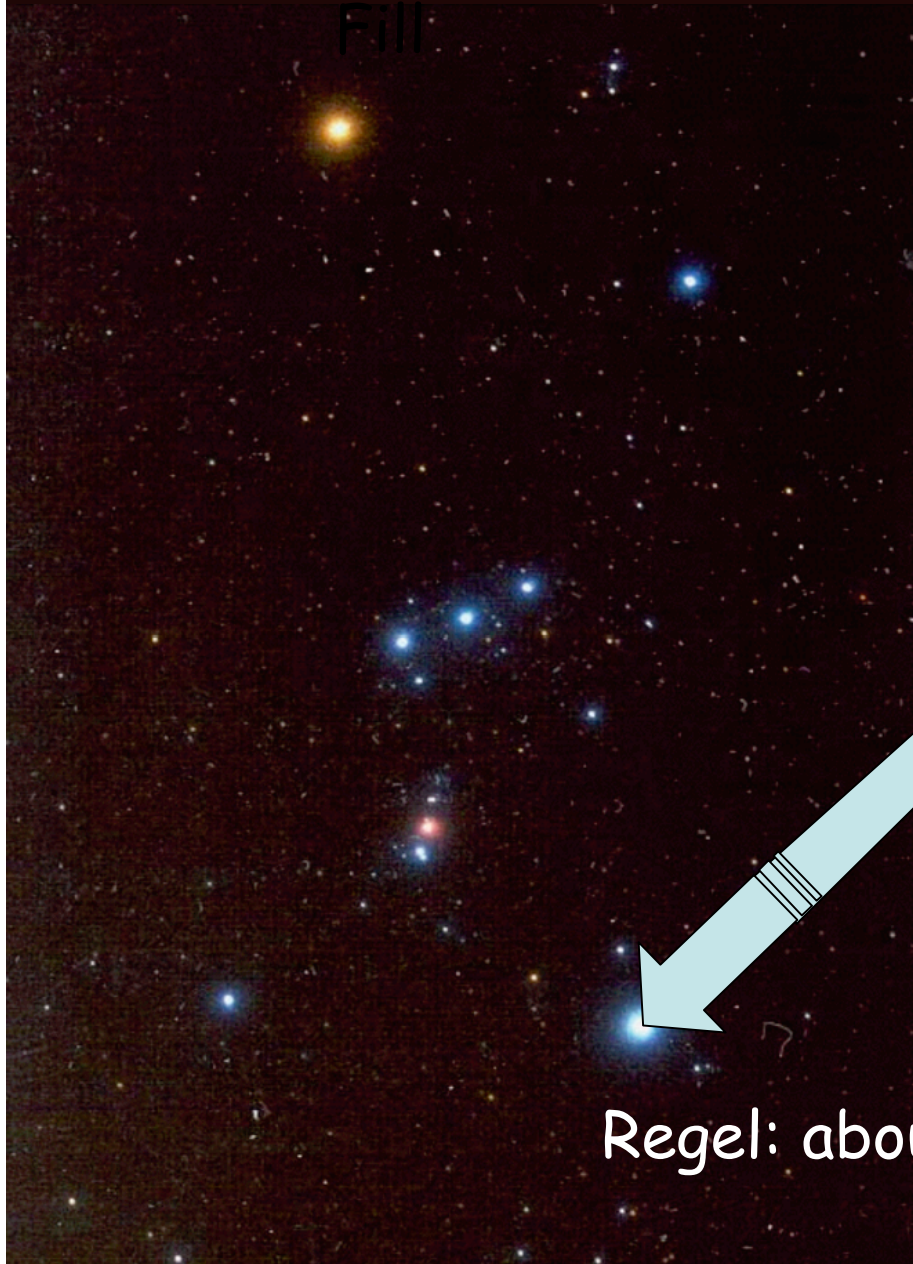
Ground Level





1 $\text{GW}_{\text{electric}}$ produces $\sim 10^{20}$ anti-neutrinos/s

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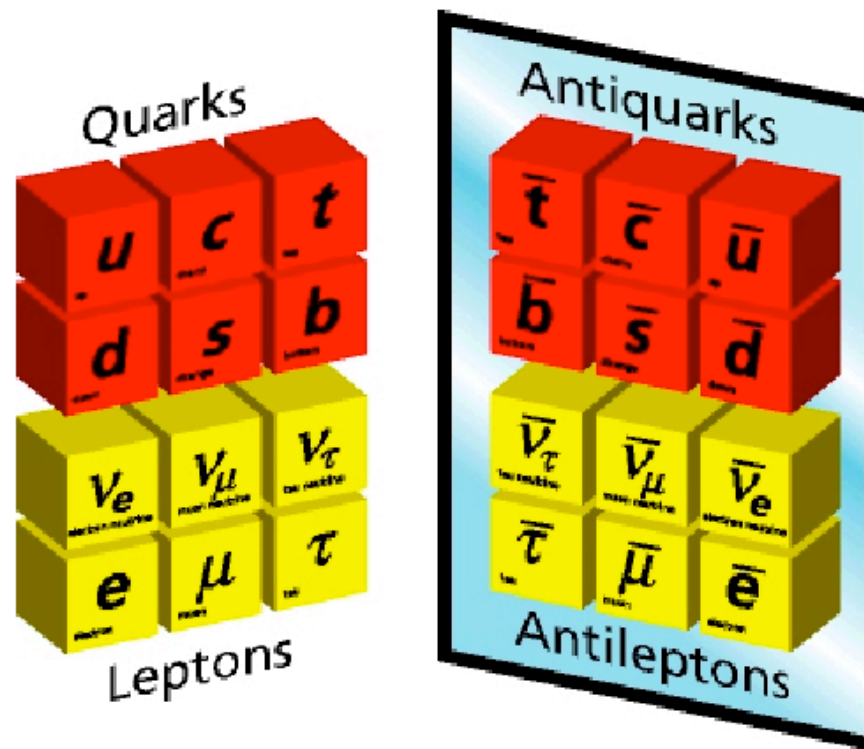


A 1 MeV neutrino, on the average, will collide with a water molecule by the time it gets to Regal

Regel: about 1000 light years away

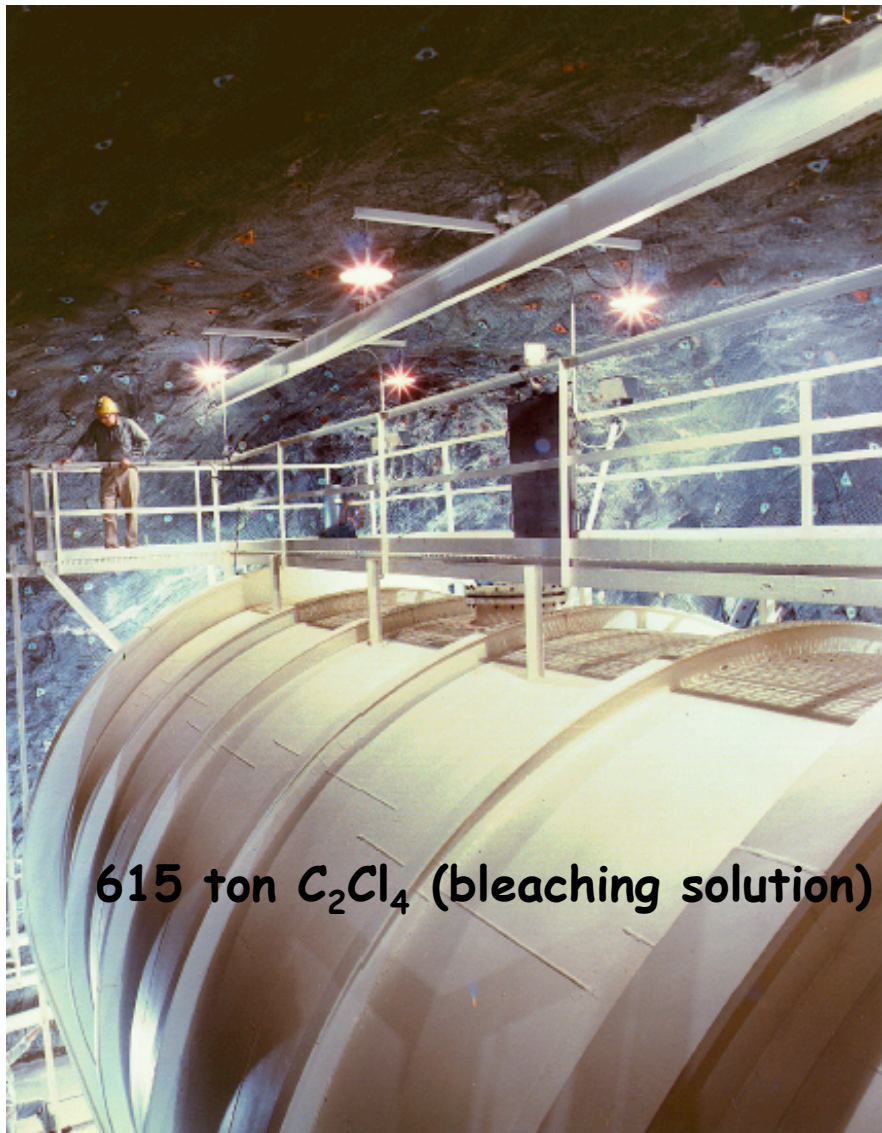
Standard Model

- Three types of **massless** neutrinos in the Standard Model of particle physics

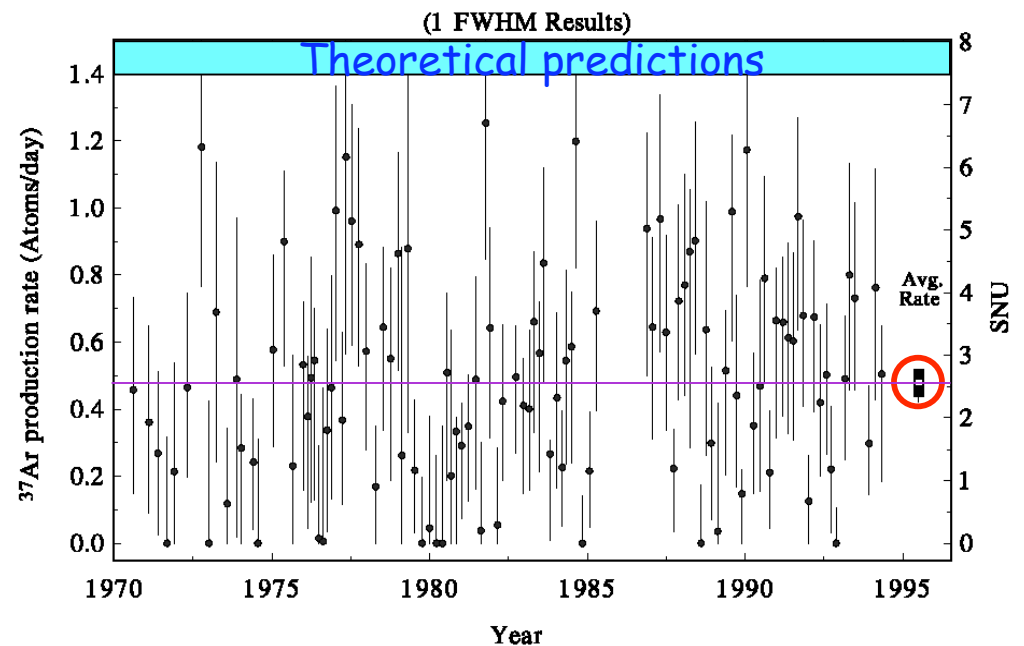


- Massive neutrinos will indicate the Standard Model is incomplete and have profound implications

Something Funny Is Going On In The Sun

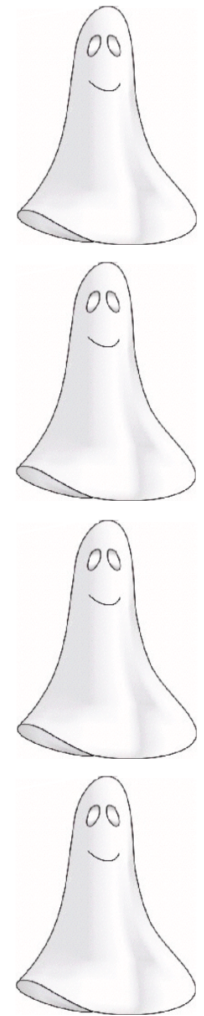


Davis experiment in Homestake mine
2002 Nobel prize

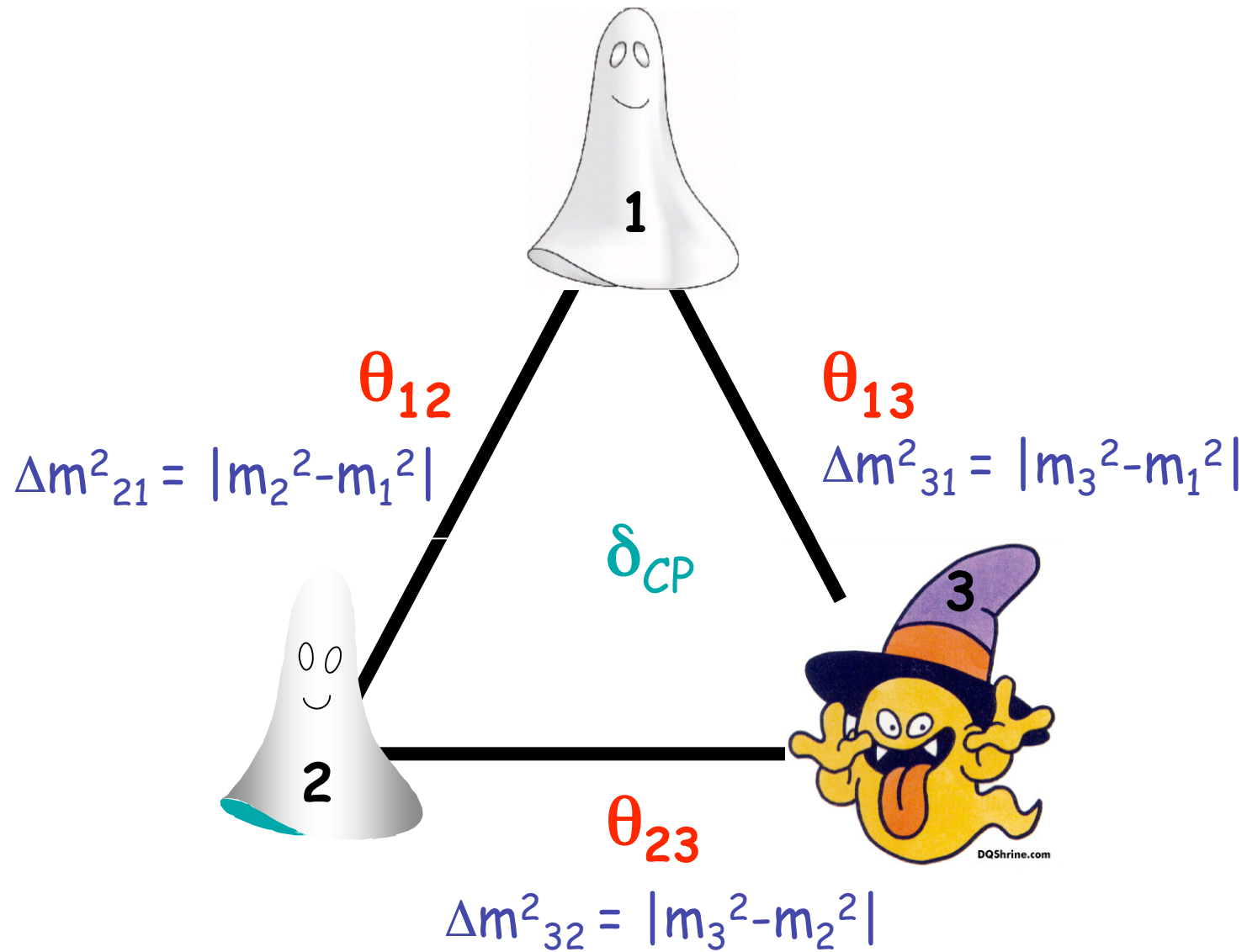


1 SNU = 1 interaction/ 10^{36} target atoms/sec

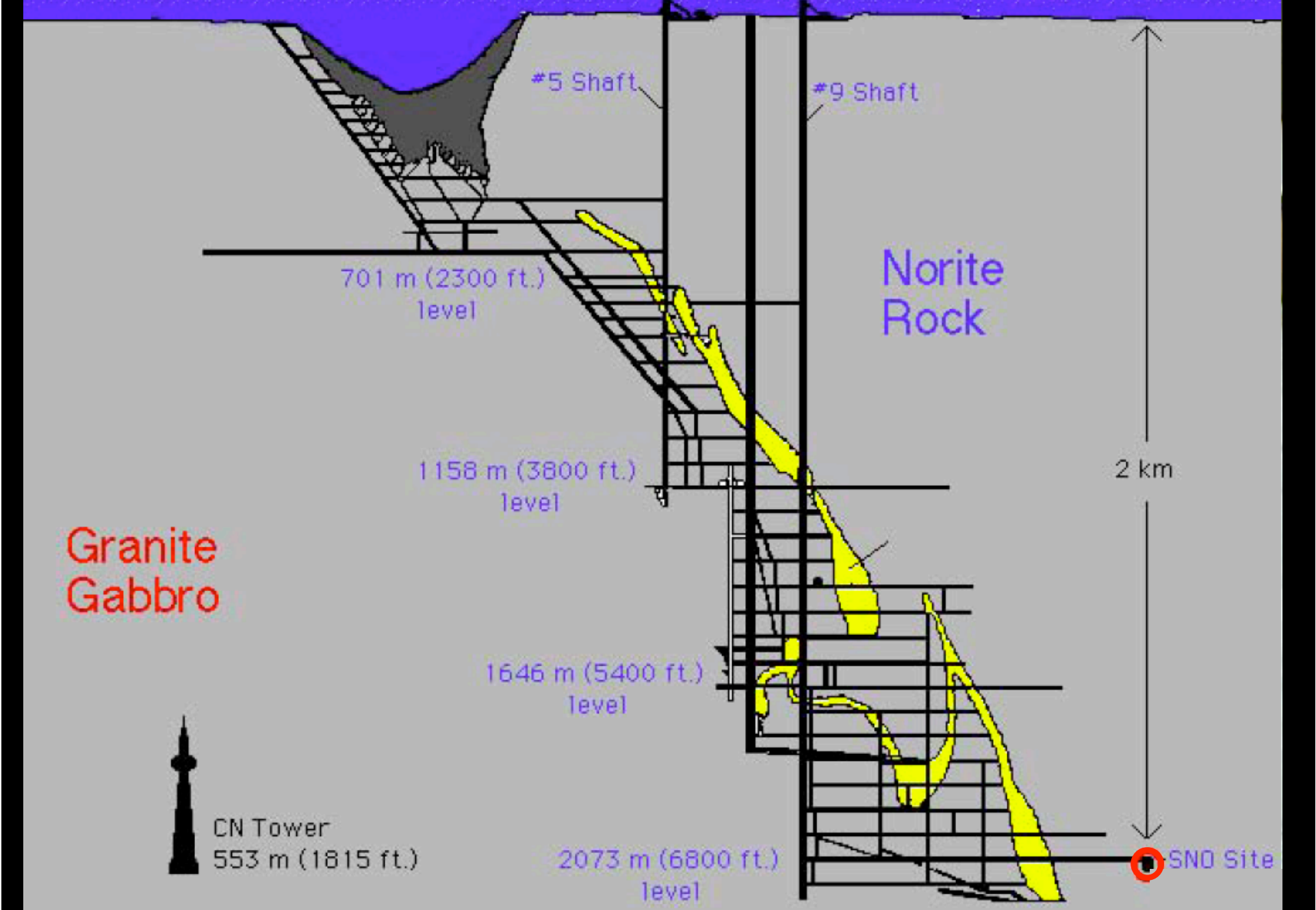
Neutrino Oscillation



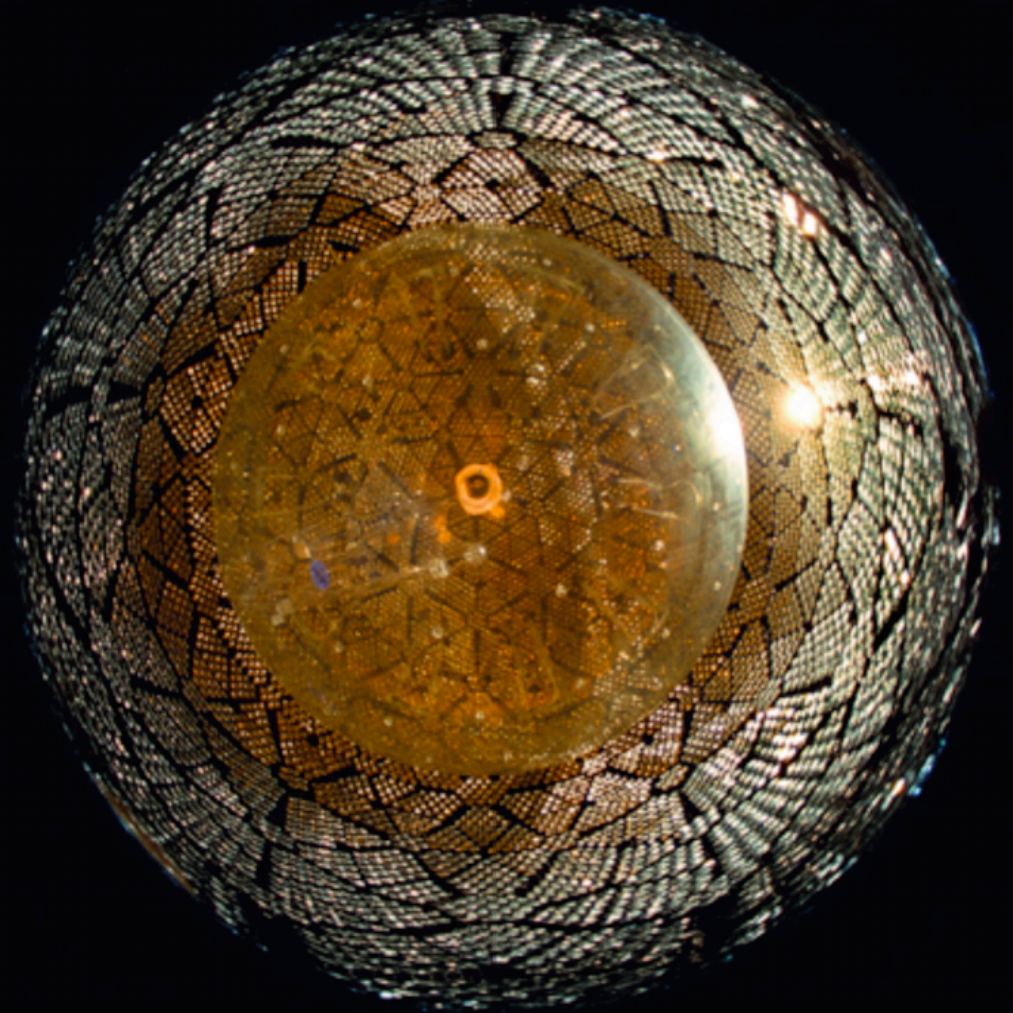
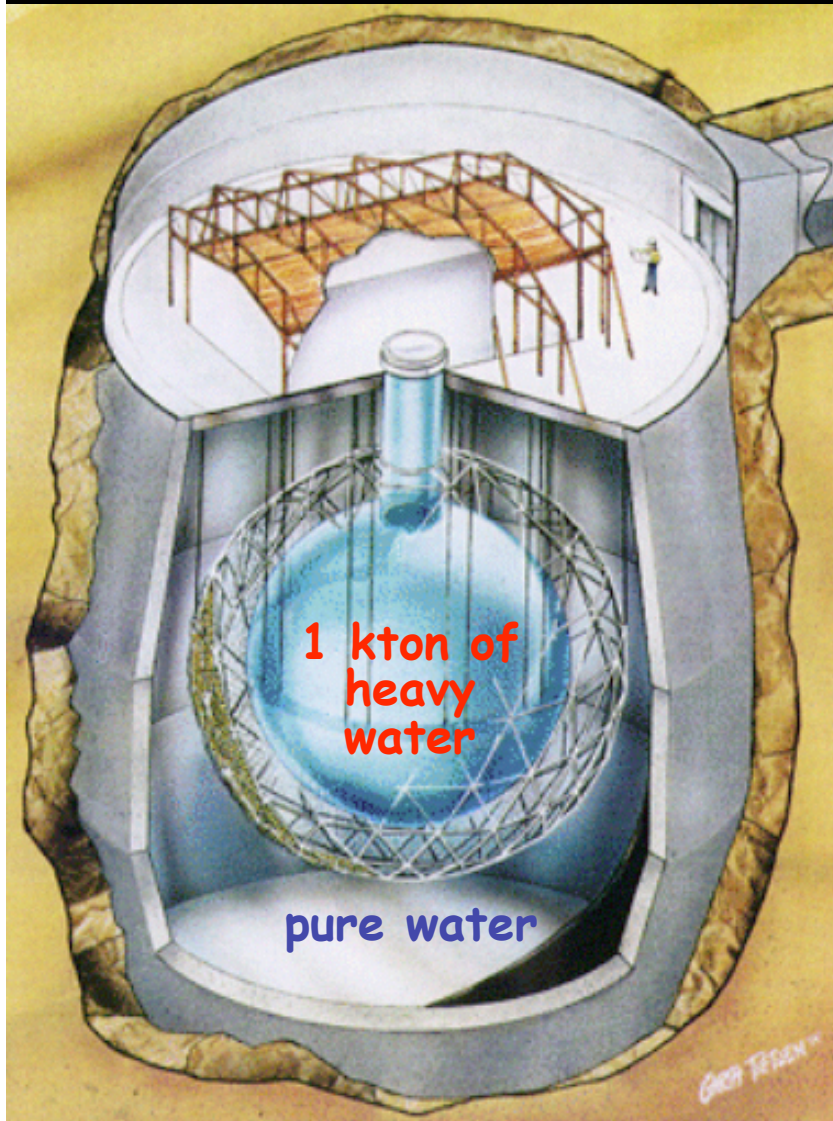
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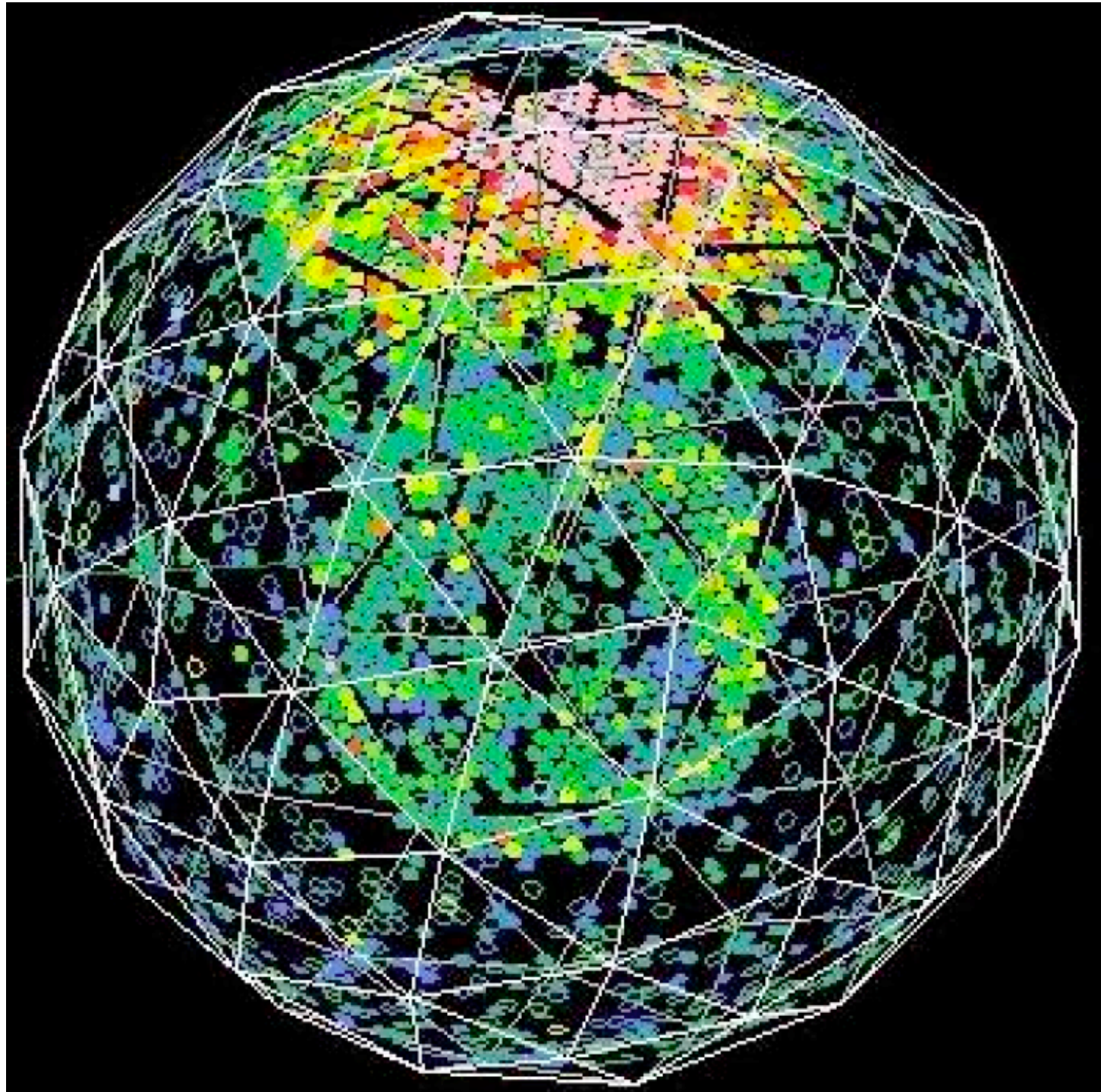


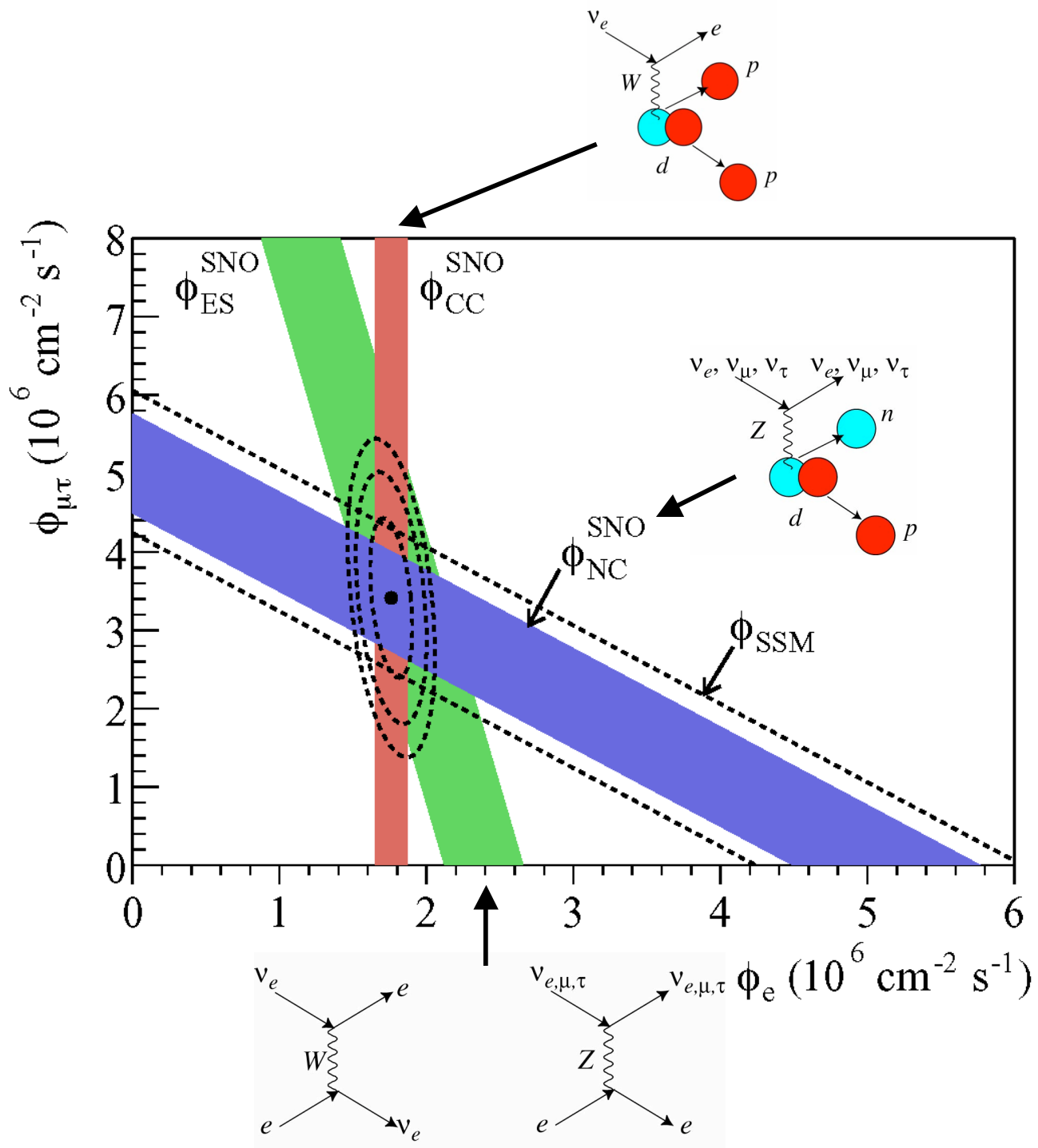
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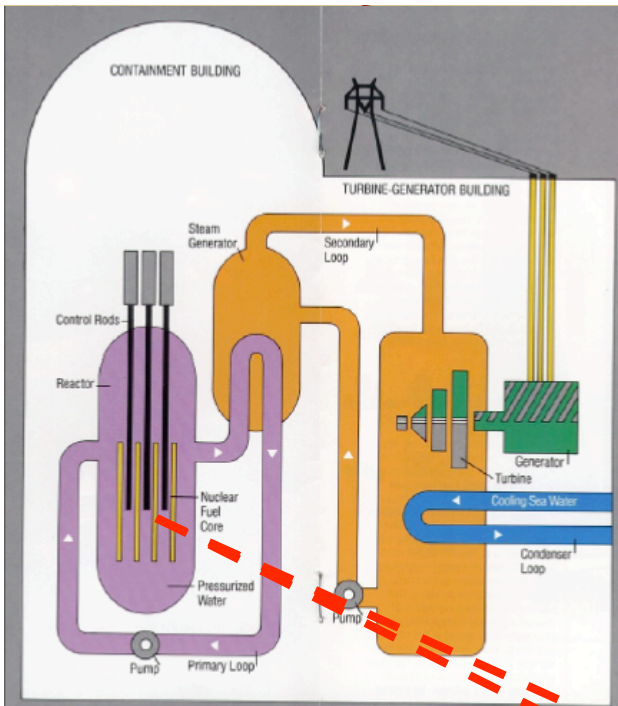


Sudbury Neutrino Observatory





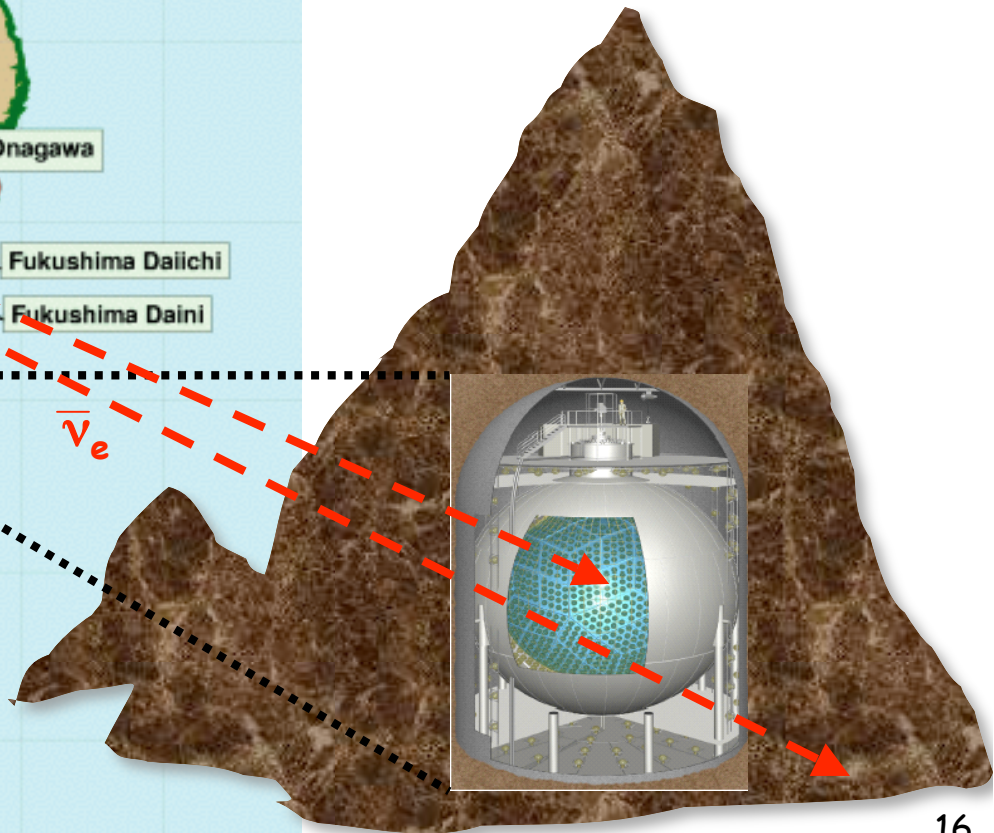




South Korea



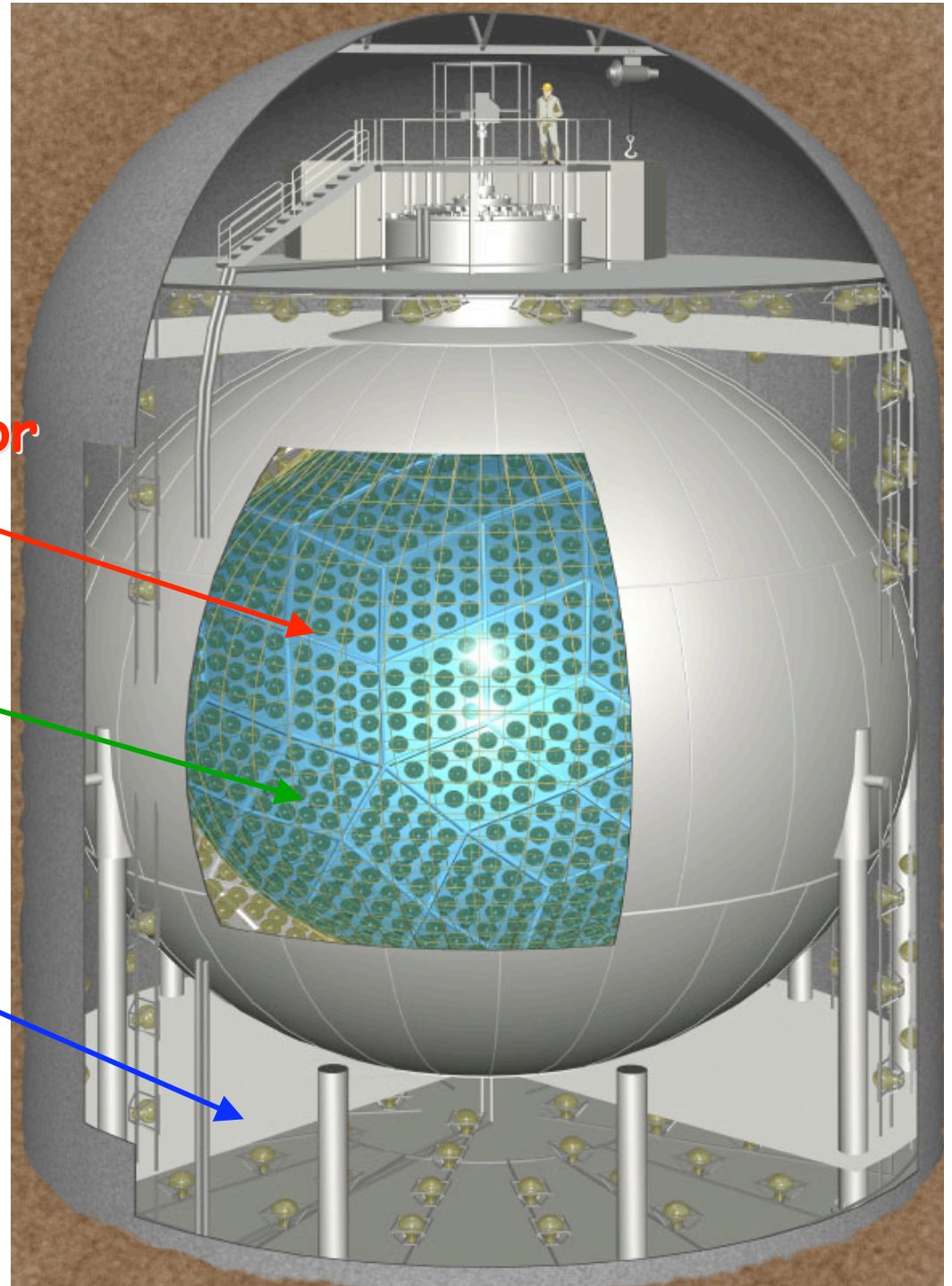
KamLAND in Japan



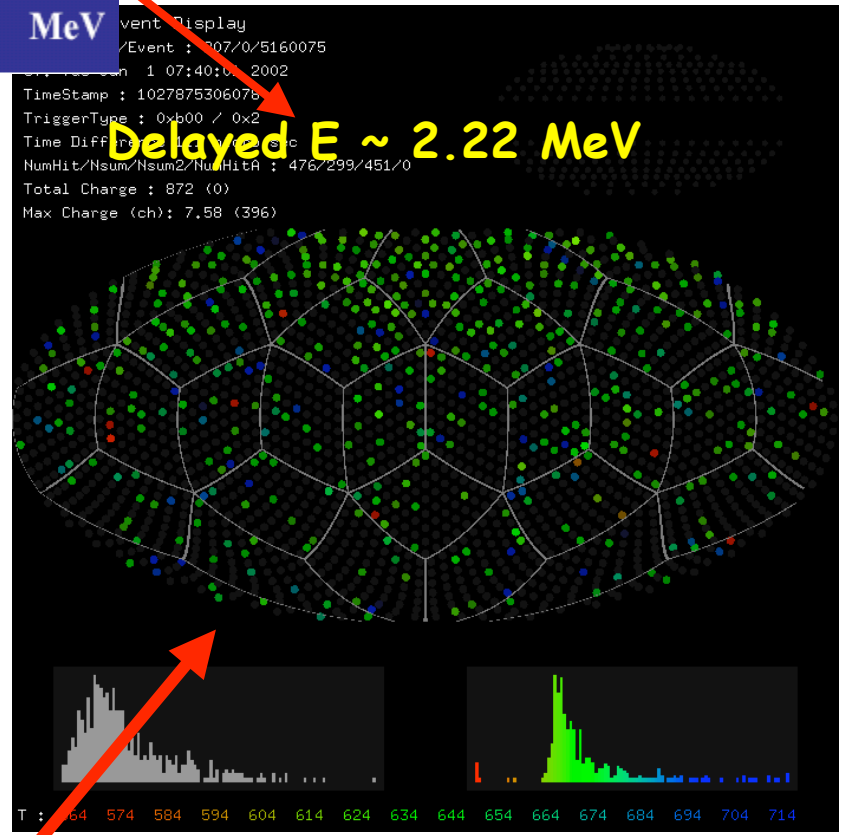
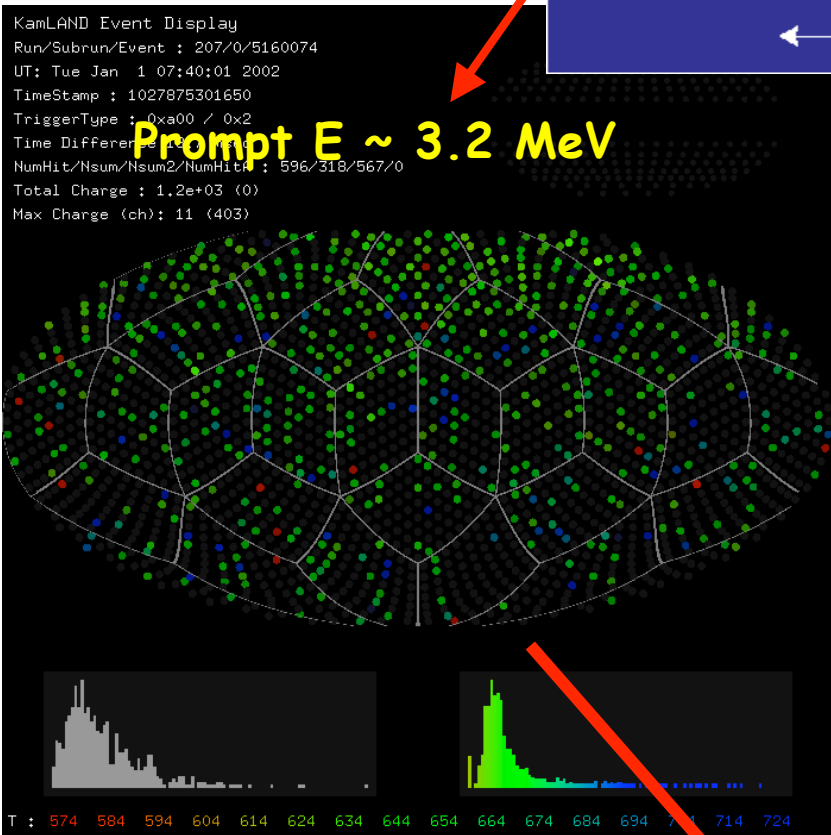
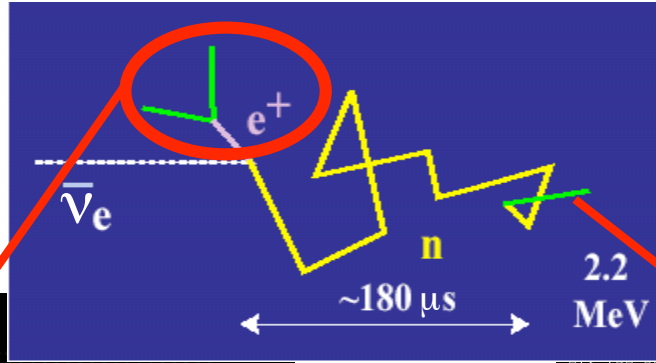
- 1 kton of liquid scintillator

- Photo-multiplier tubes

- 6 kton of pure water

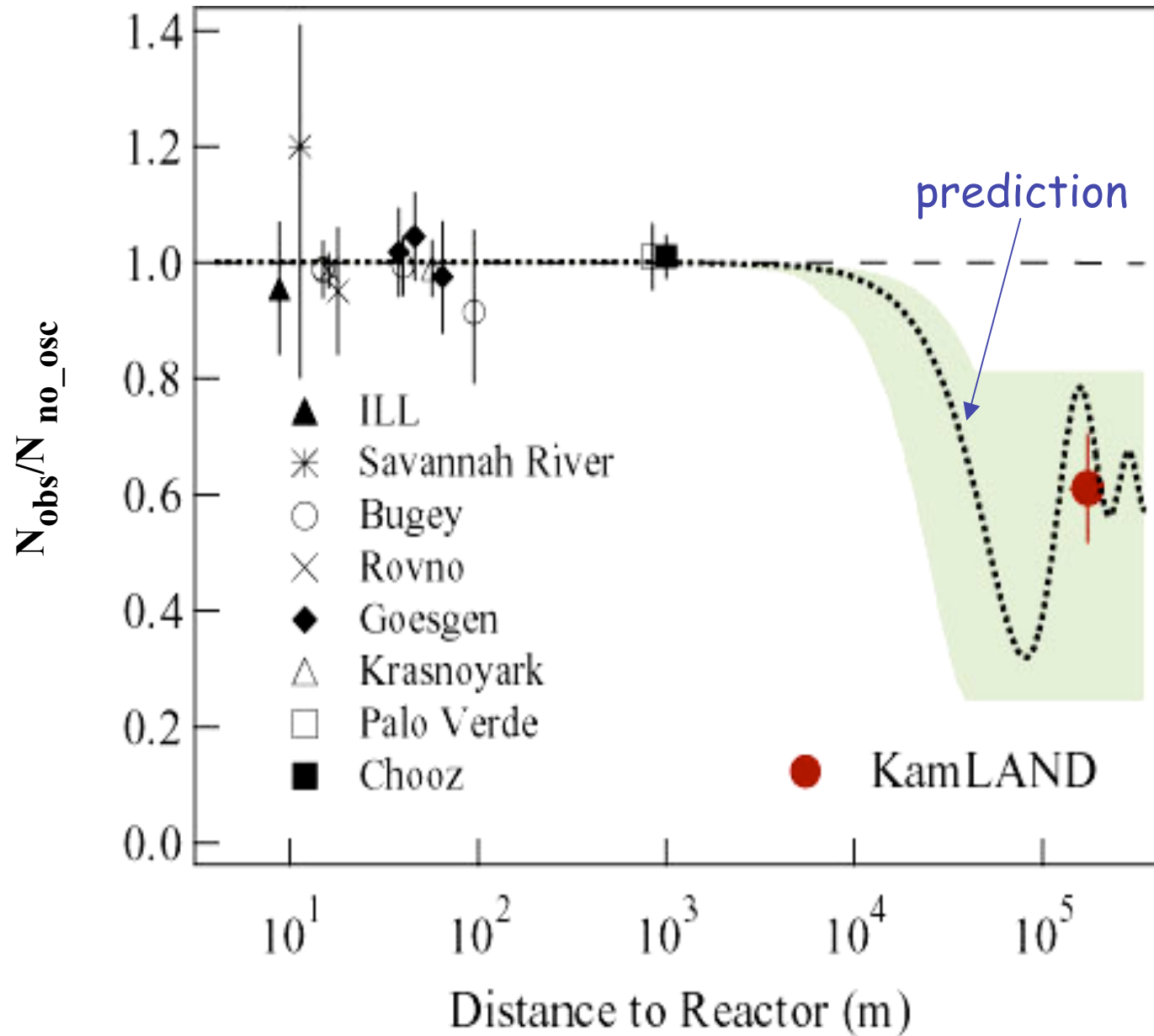


An Anti-neutrino Candidate



$\Delta t \sim 110 \mu s$
 $\Delta R \sim 0.35 m$

Some Reactor $\bar{\nu}$'s are missing!



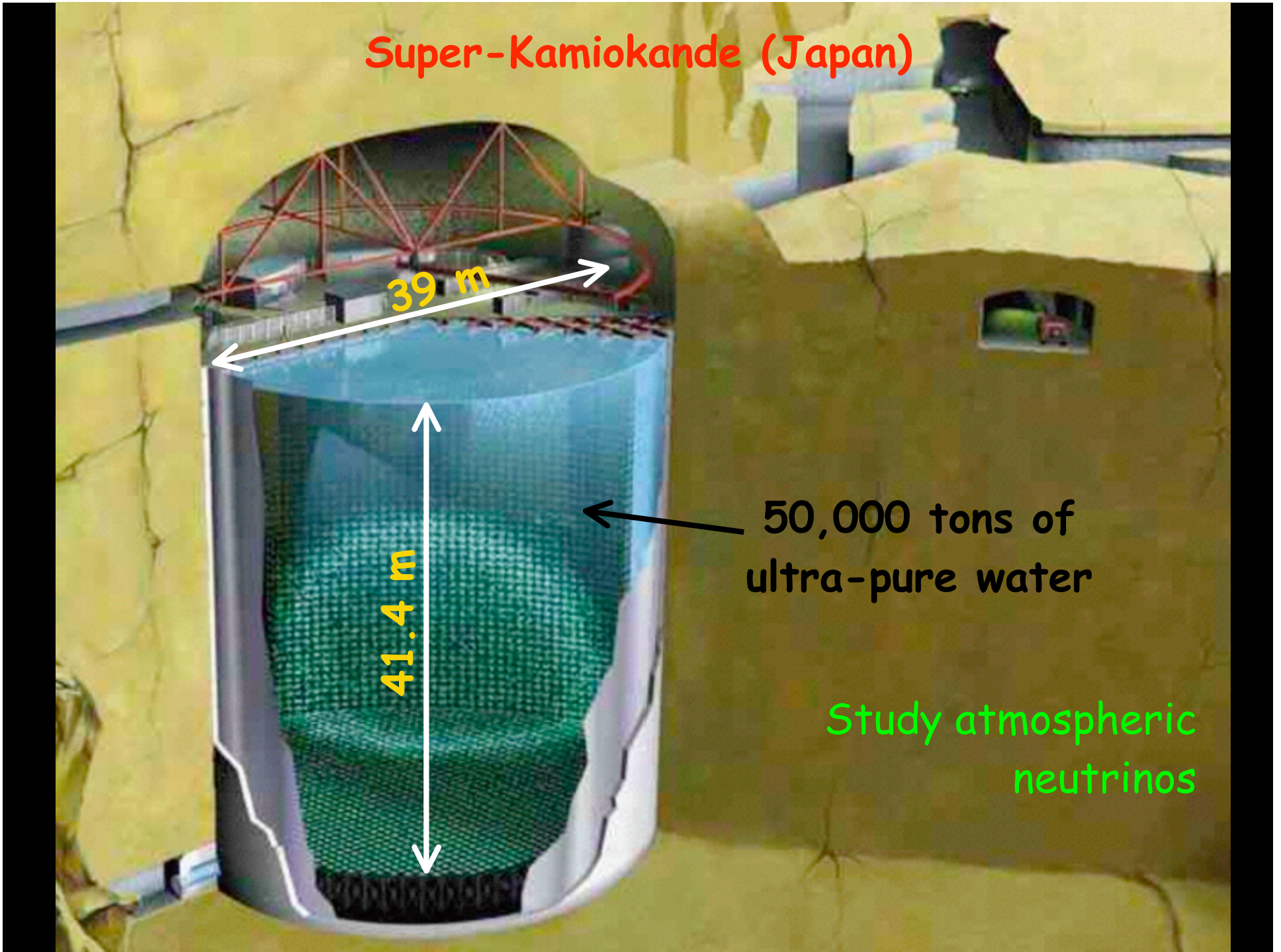
Super-Kamiokande (Japan)

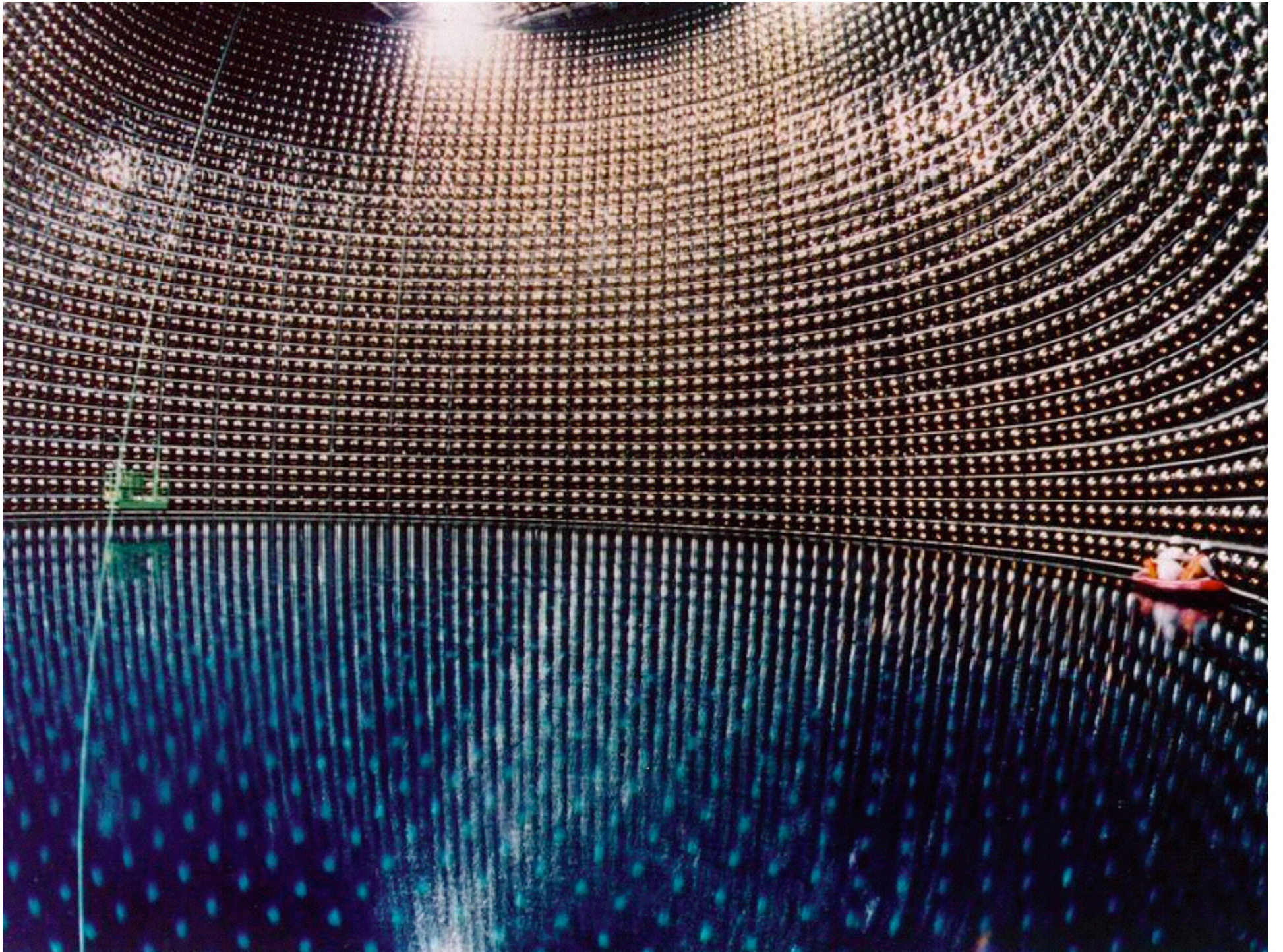
39 m

41.4 m

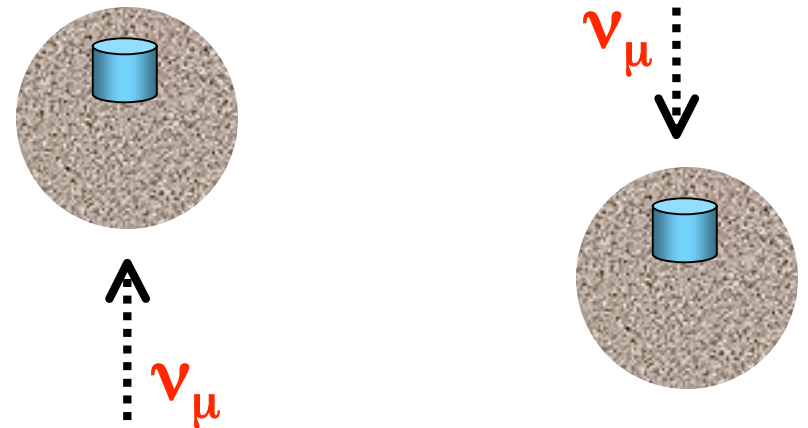
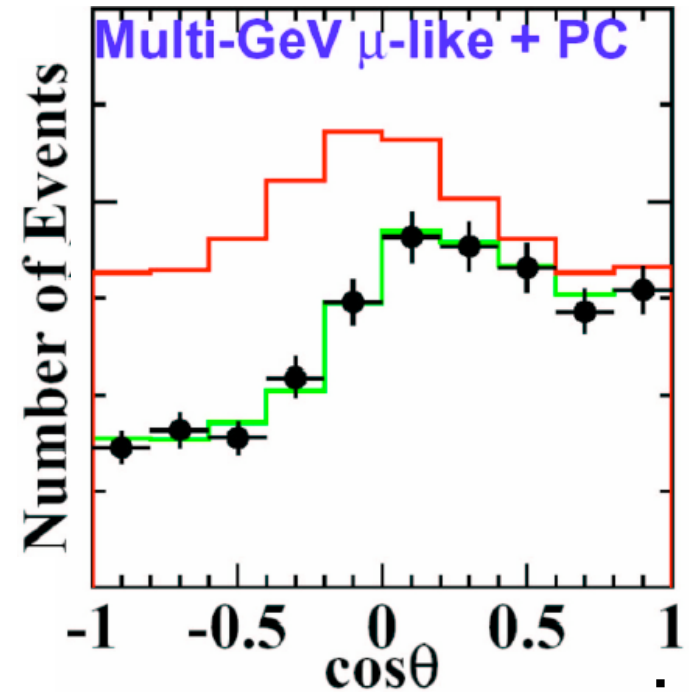
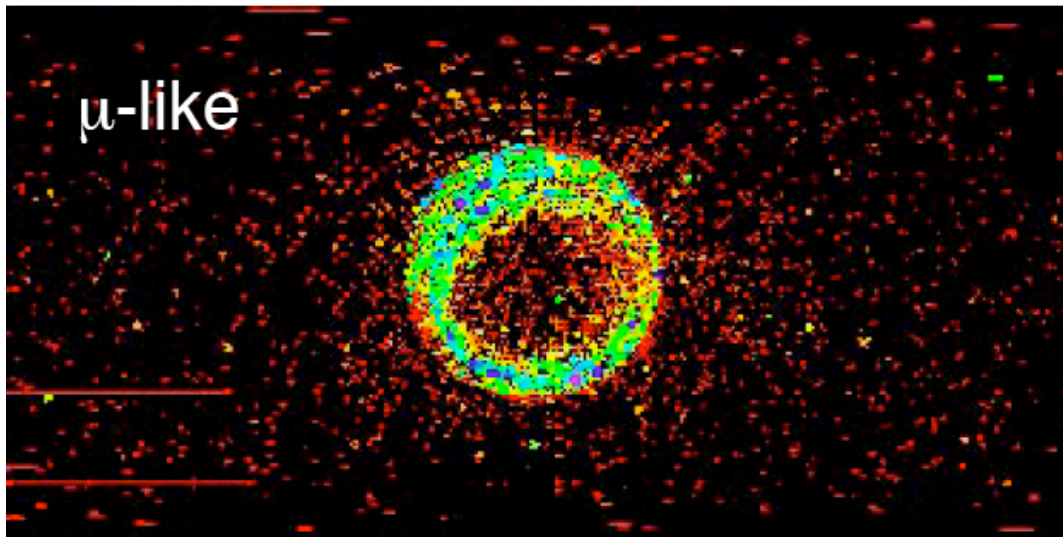
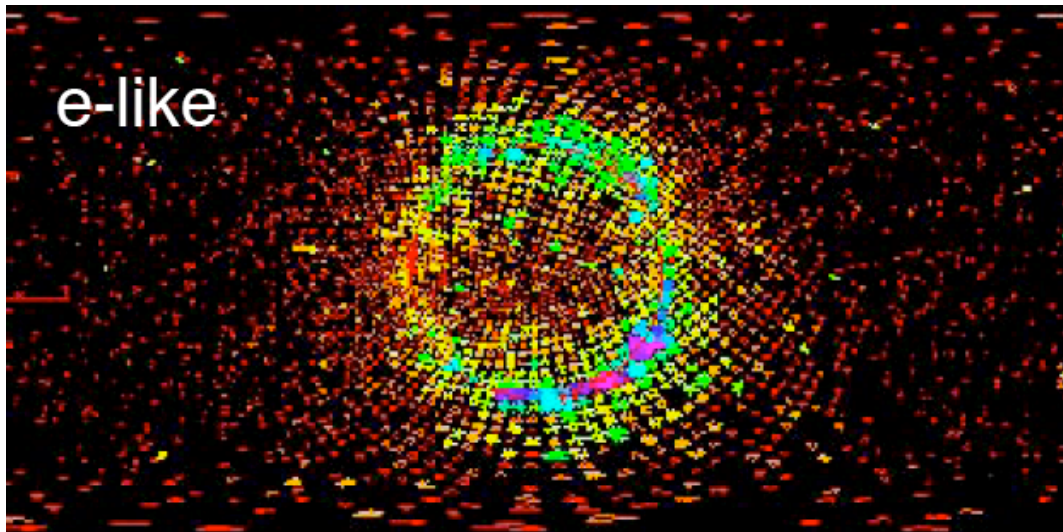
50,000 tons of ultra-pure water

Study atmospheric neutrinos



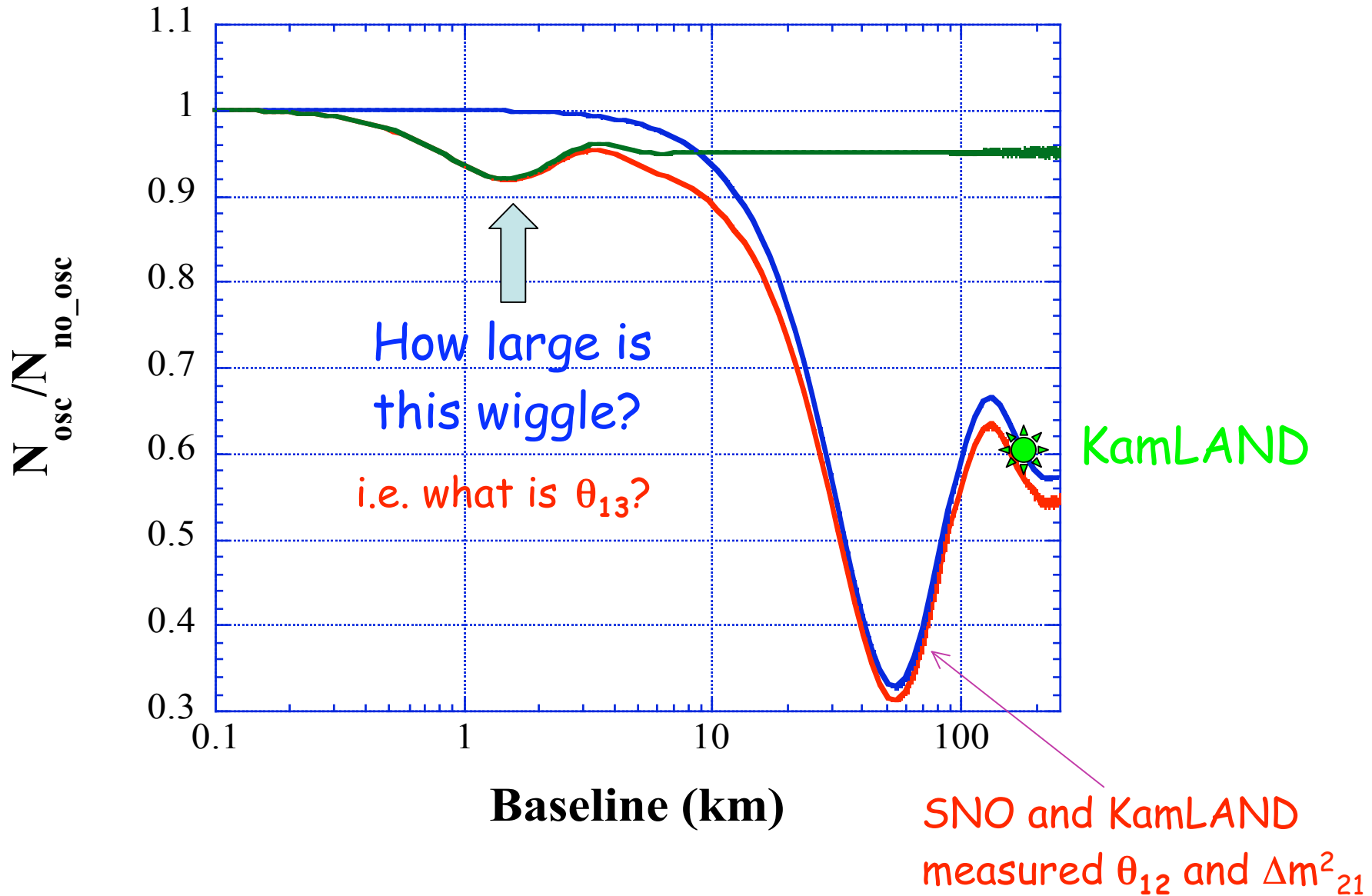


Half of atmospheric ν_μ Is Missing!



Measured θ_{23} and Δm_{32}^2 22

Another Kind of Neutrino Oscillation

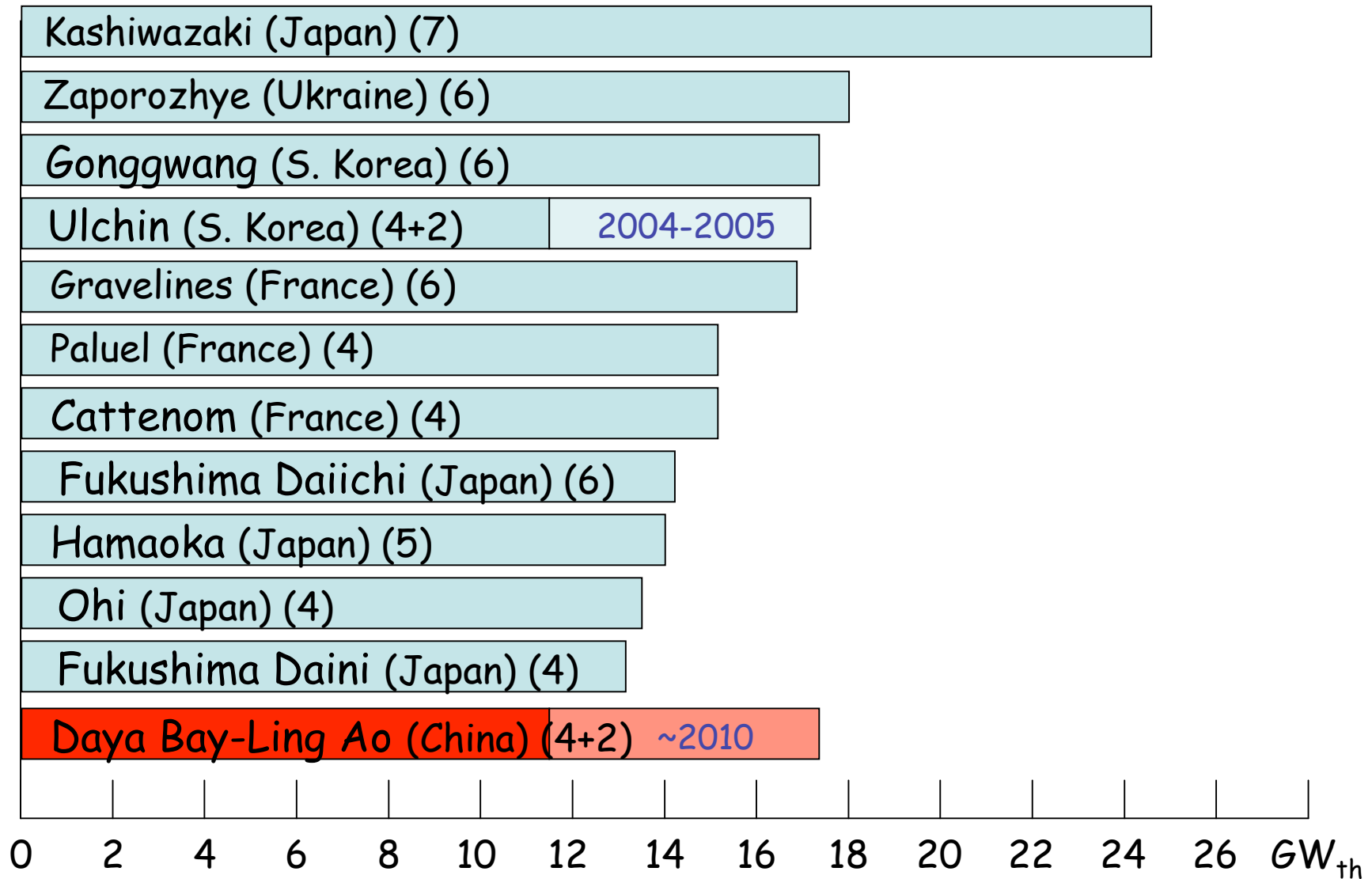


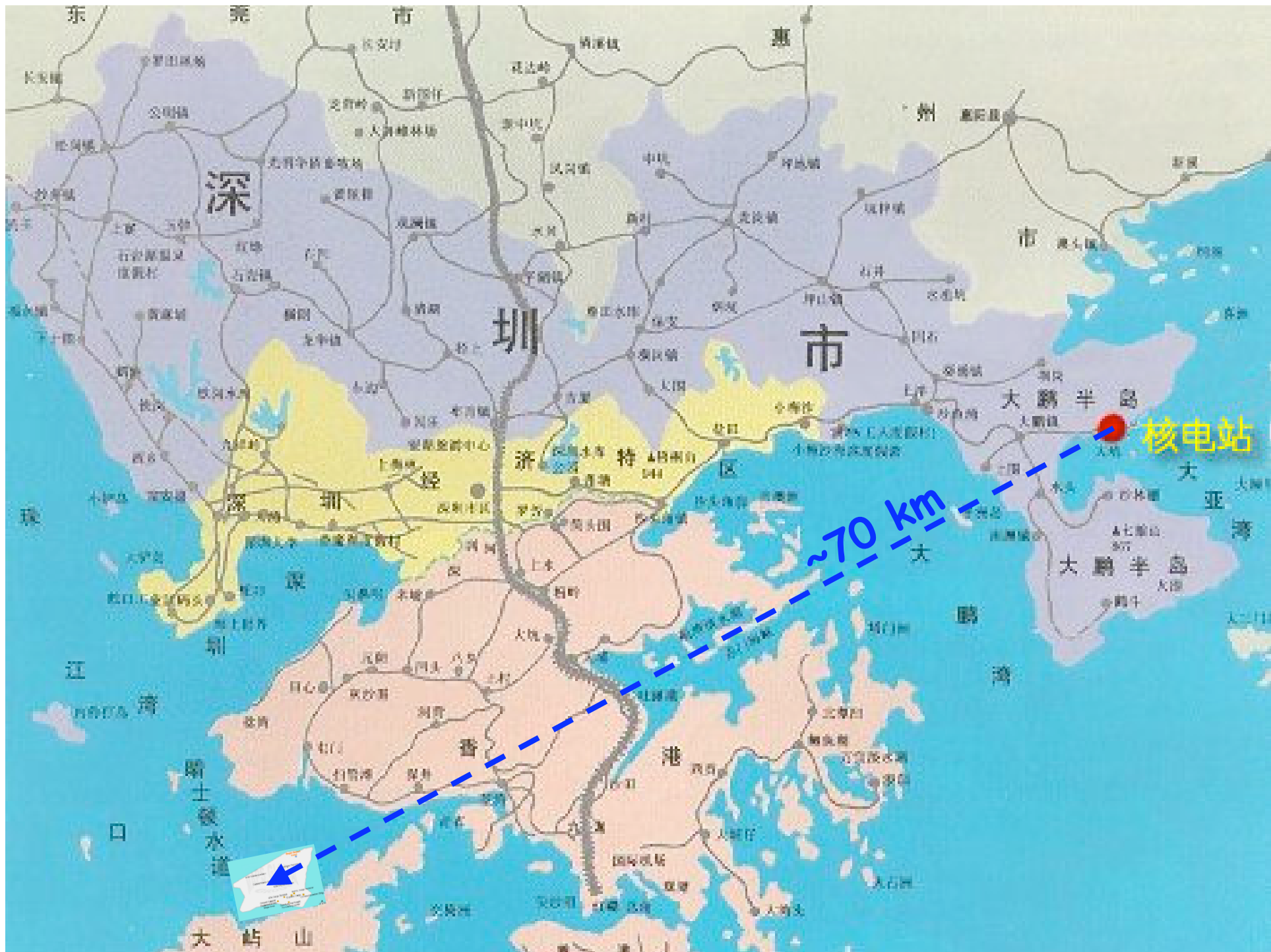
Daya Bay (China)

2+2(+2) reactors: 11.6 (17.4) GW_{th}



Ranking of Reactors







■ Far site

Mid site

Ling Ao Near

Ling Dong NPP
(under const.)

Ling Ao
NPP

Daya Bay Near

Daya Bay
NPP

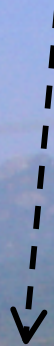
Daya Bay Nuclear Power Plant



Ling Ao Nuclear Power Plant



Location of Far Detector



What Need To Be Done?

- Where should we position the detectors?
 - How deep should we place the detectors underground to reduce the cosmic-ray background?
 - How bad is the cosmic-ray background?
 - How can we identify and remove the unwanted events?
 - Can we do study the background before we start the Daya Bay experiment?
 - What should be the size of the detector?
 - What is the optimal design of the detector?
 - What kind of materials should be used to build the detector?
 - What are the properties of the liquid scintillator?
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- Need to carry out a lot of calculations (Monte Carlo simulation)
 - Need to carry out small-scale experiments in the laboratory and in the Aberdeen underground laboratory.

Summary

Neutrinos

- are **tiny** particles, a lot lighter than electrons.
- are plentiful
- are **ghostly**
- can **change** type when running in space
- are magicians, full of surprises:

What is next?

- the Daya Bay experiment will tell

Thank You

Option 1

Far site:
 D_{DB} : ~2200 m
 D_{LA} : ~1800 m
Overburden: ~1000 m.w.e.

Ling Ao Near:
D: 500 m
Overburden: ~220 m.w.e.

Ling Dong NPP
(under const.)

Ling Ao
NPP

Daya Bay Near:
D: 500 m
Overburden: ~300 m.w.e.

Daya Bay
NPP

Total length of tunnel = 2750.5 m