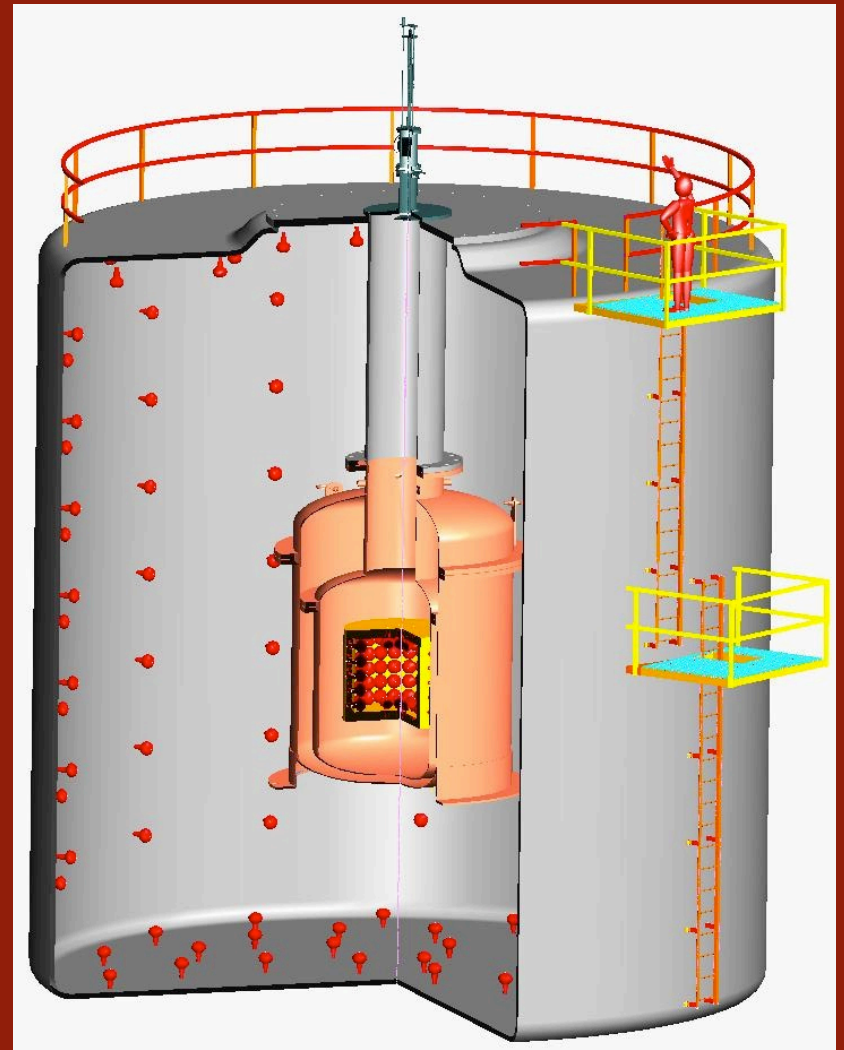


# Standard Model Tests with Coherent Neutrino Scattering

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# What is CENNS?

- Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

- To probe a “large” nucleus

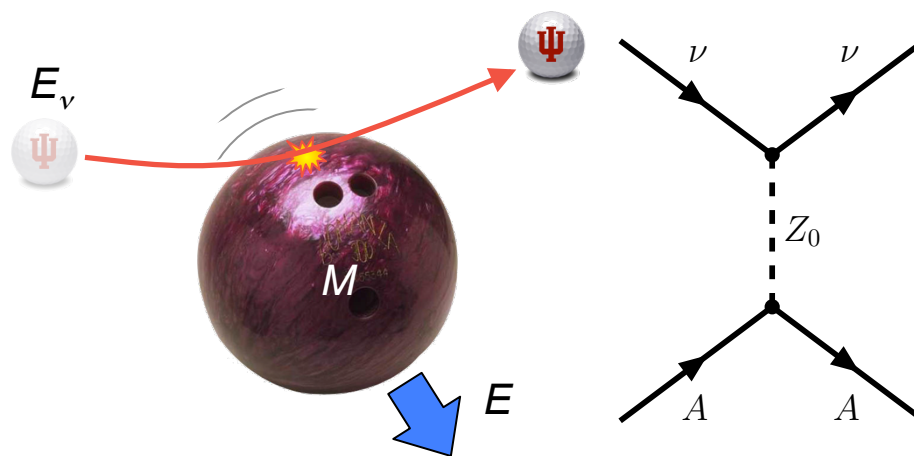
$$E_\nu \lesssim \frac{hc}{R_N} \cong 50 \text{ MeV}$$

- Recoil energy small

$$E_r^{\text{max}} \simeq \frac{2E_\nu^2}{M} \simeq 50 \text{ keV}$$

- Differential energy spectrum

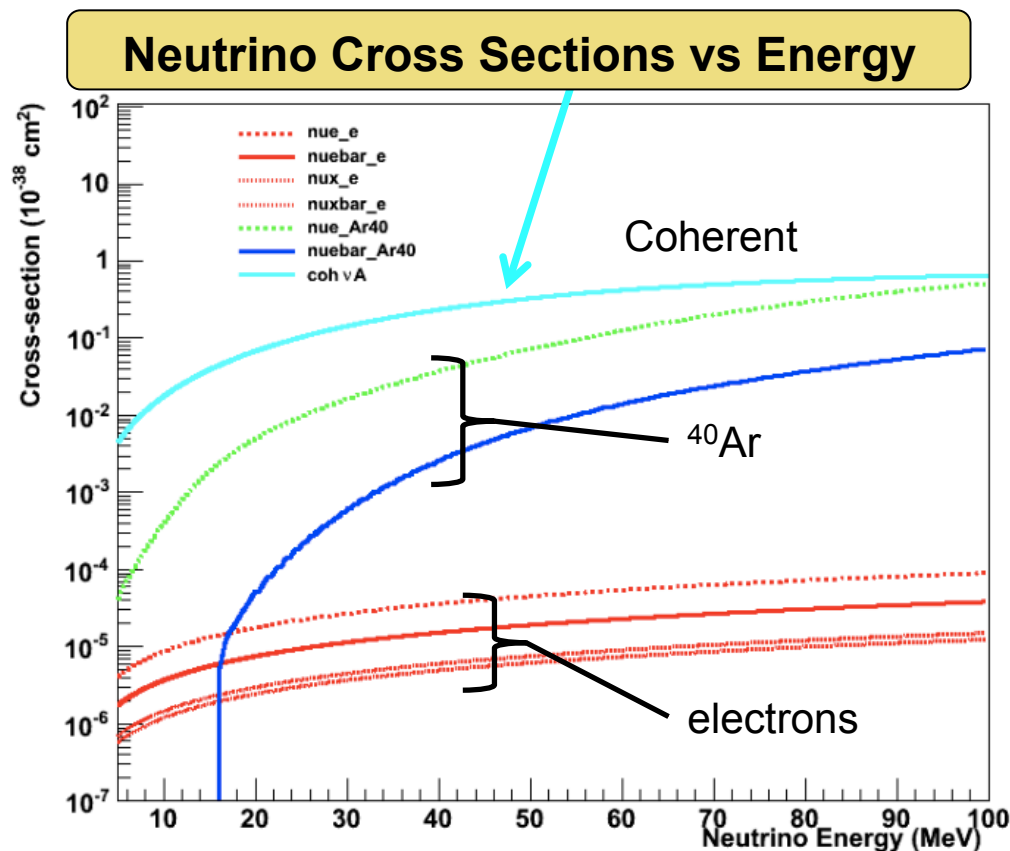
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# Fundamental But Unobserved

- Low energy threshold is difficult
- Cross section actually **dominates** at low energy!
- Dark matter development is crucial
- Cross section goes as  $N^2$
- Maximum recoil energy goes as  $M^{-1}$
- Rate vs. threshold optimization problem



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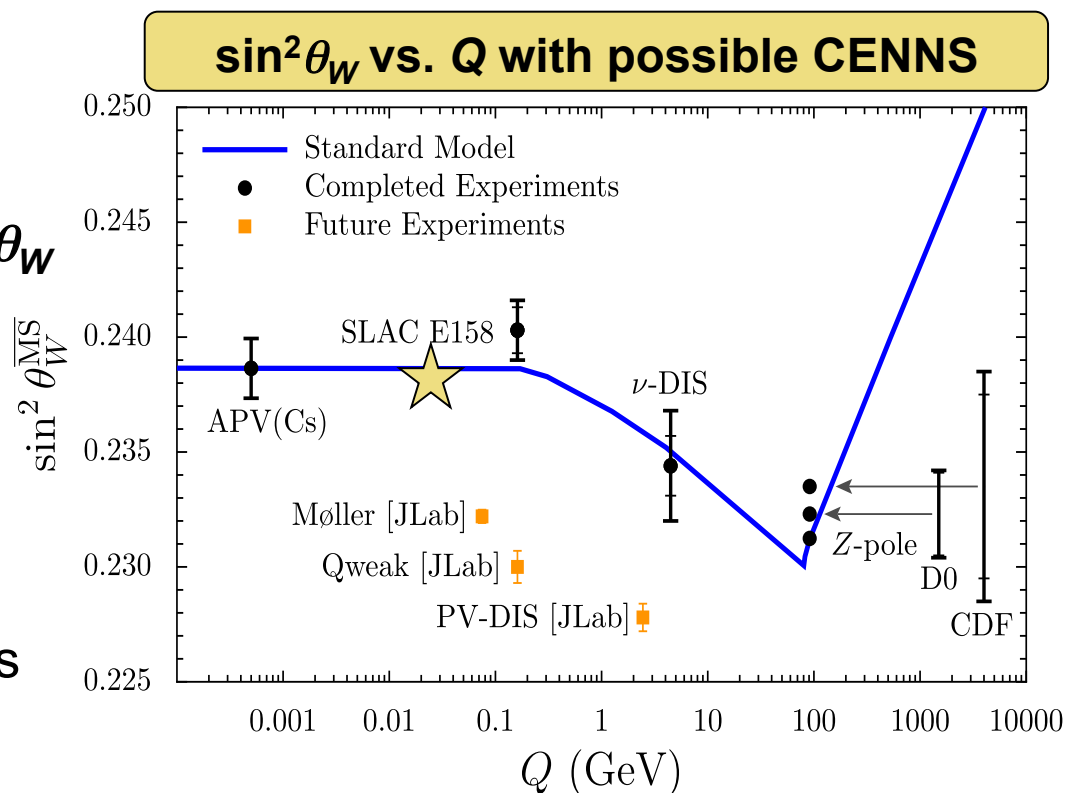
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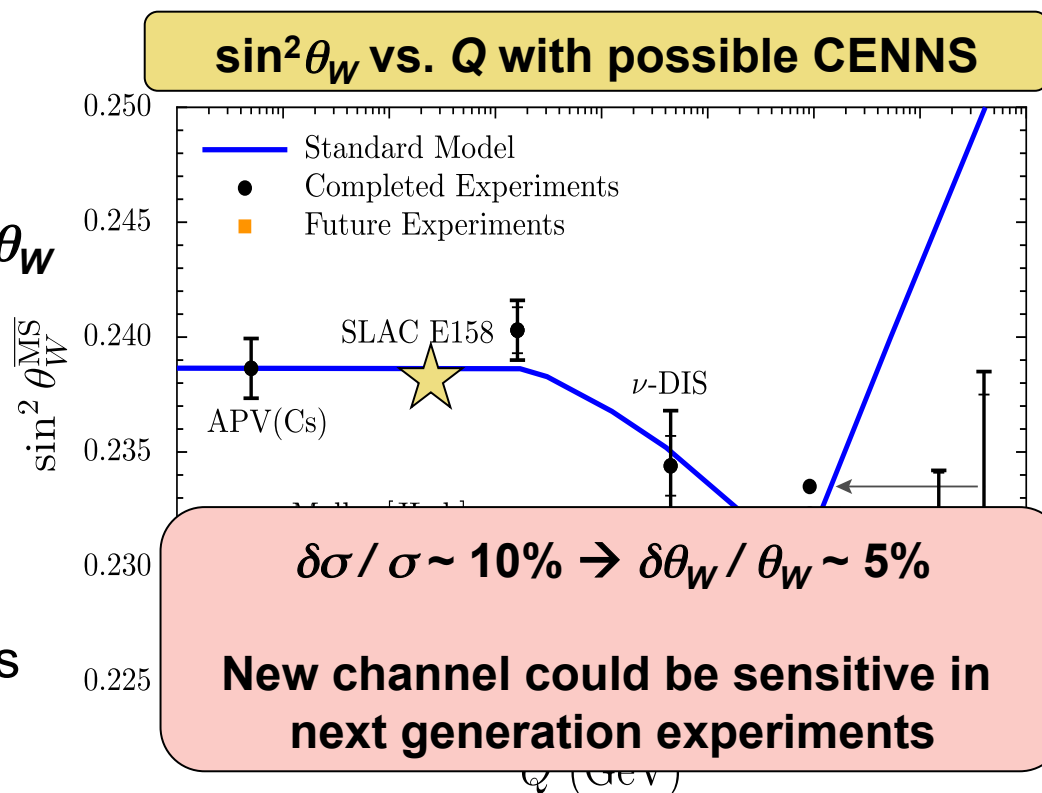


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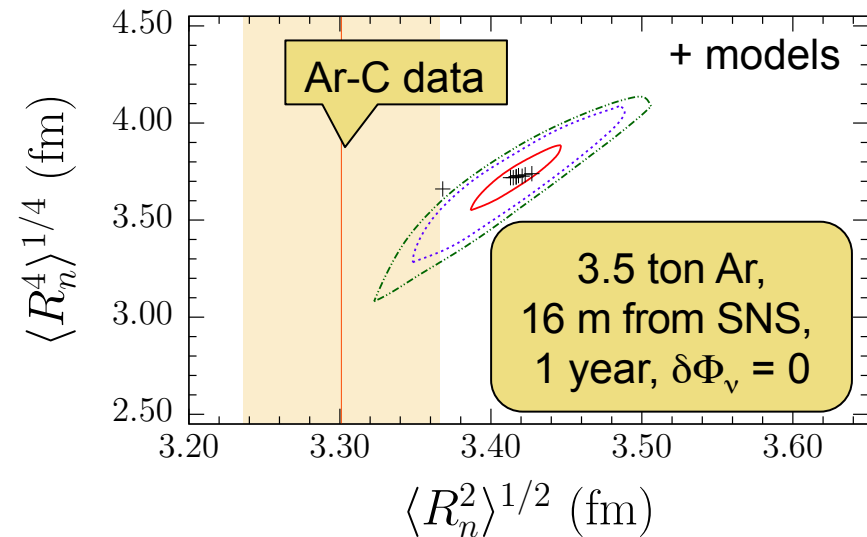
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## 4<sup>th</sup> vs 2<sup>nd</sup> Form Factor Moments

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{Q_W} [F_n(Q^2) - (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) F_p(Q^2)]$$

$$F_n(Q^2) \approx \int \rho_n(r) \left( 1 - \frac{Q^2}{3!} r^2 + \frac{Q^4}{5!} r^4 - \frac{Q^6}{7!} r^6 + \dots \right) r^2 dr$$



Patton et al., arXiv/1207.0693

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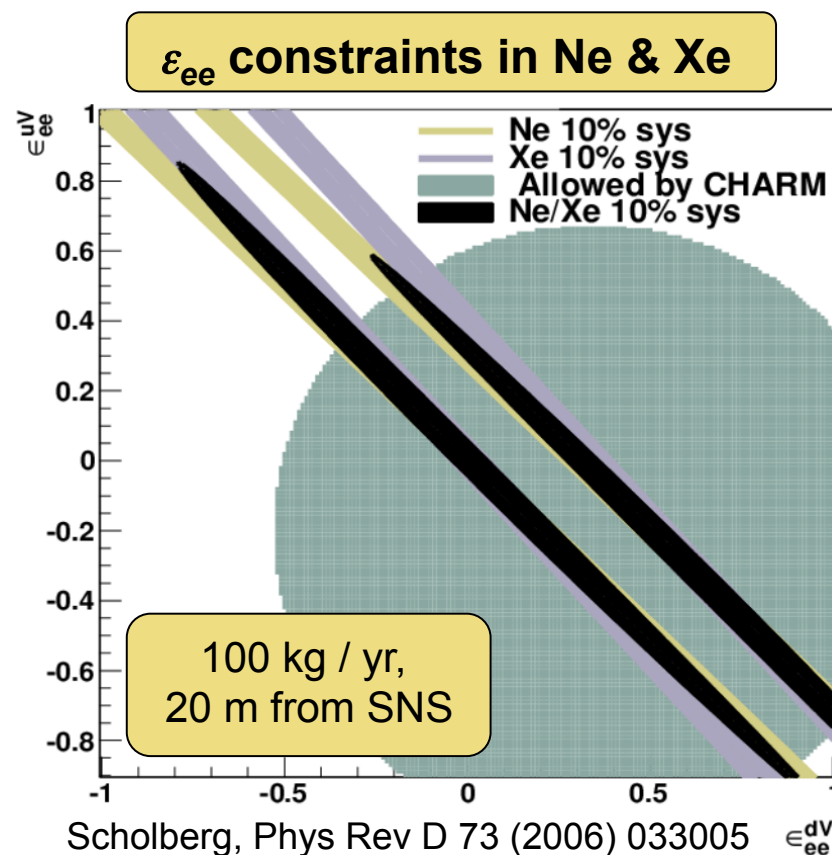
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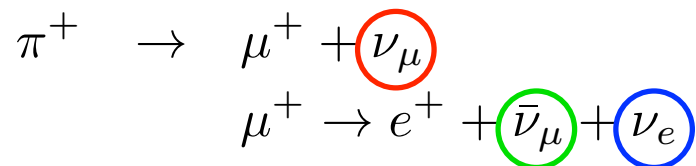
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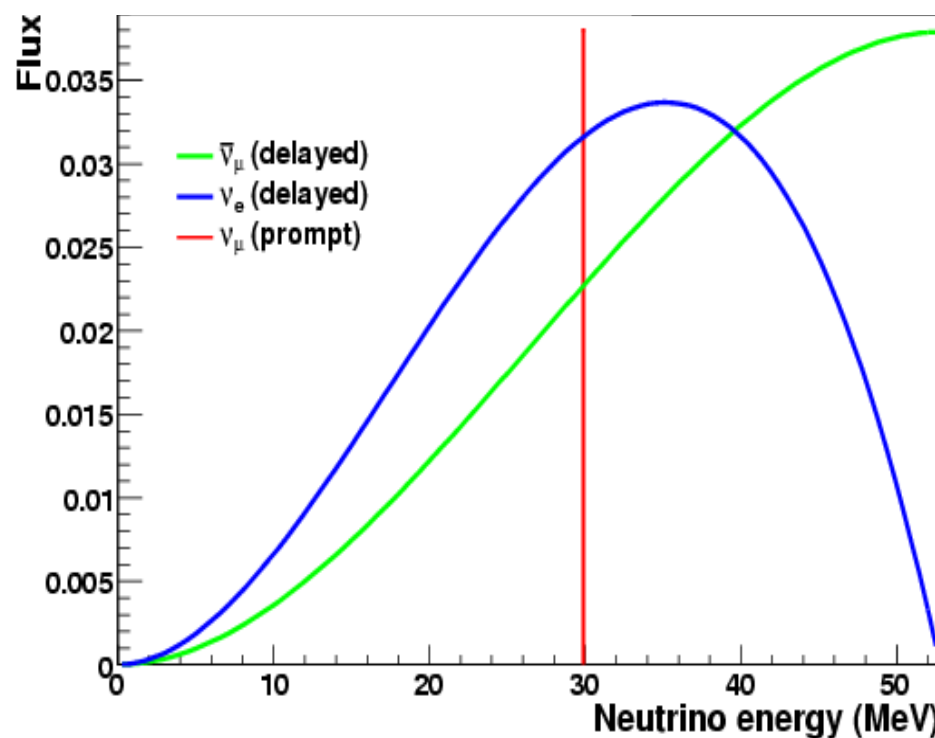


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## SNS Stopped Pion Energy Spectrum



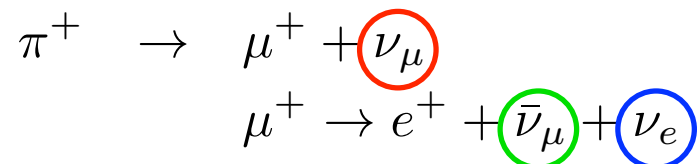
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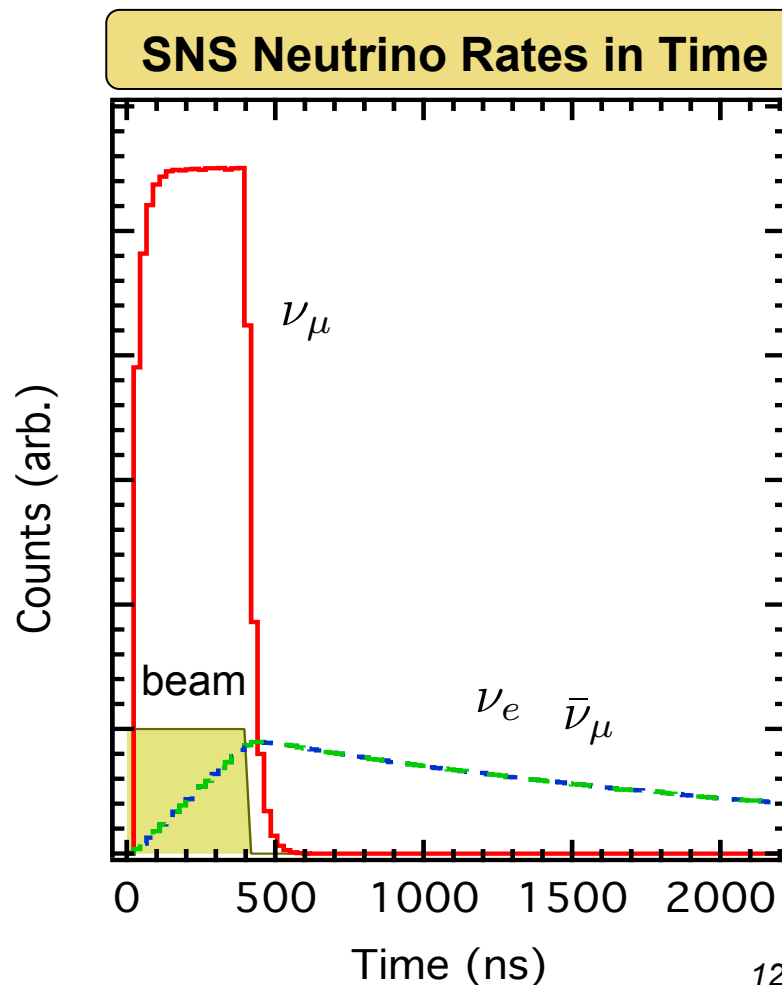
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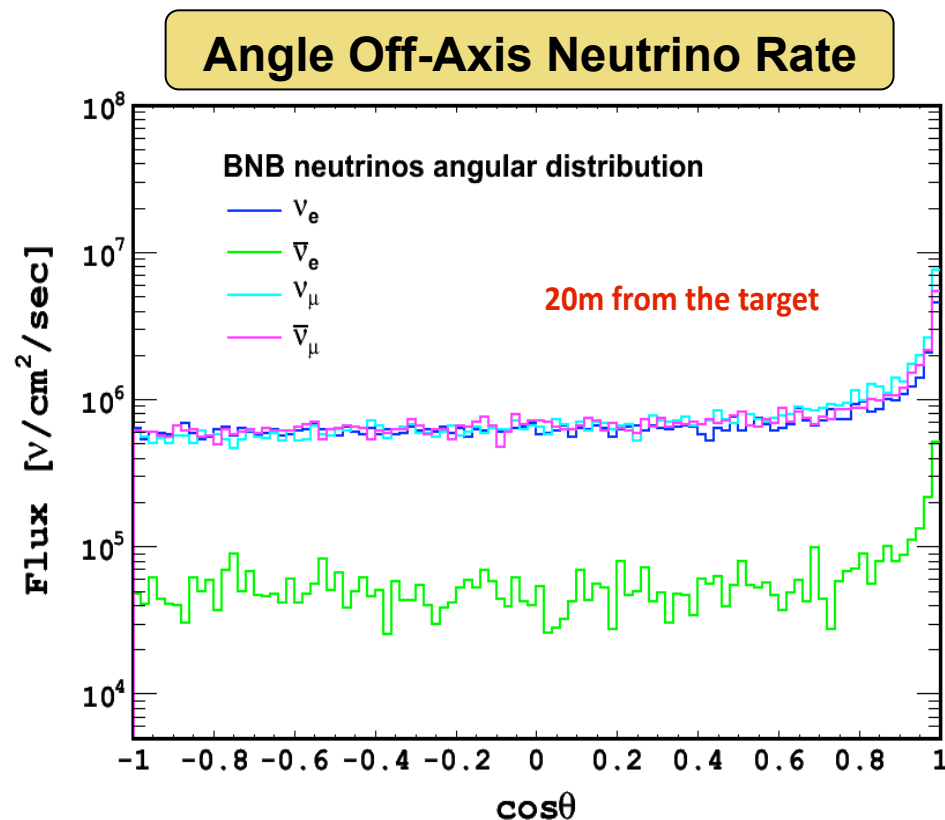
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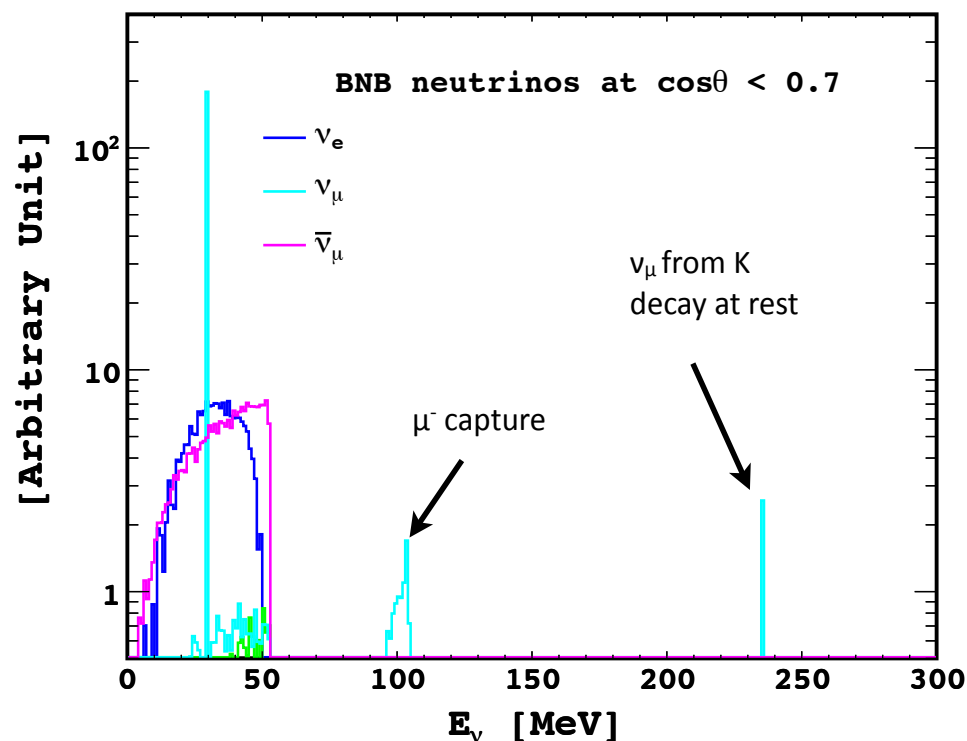
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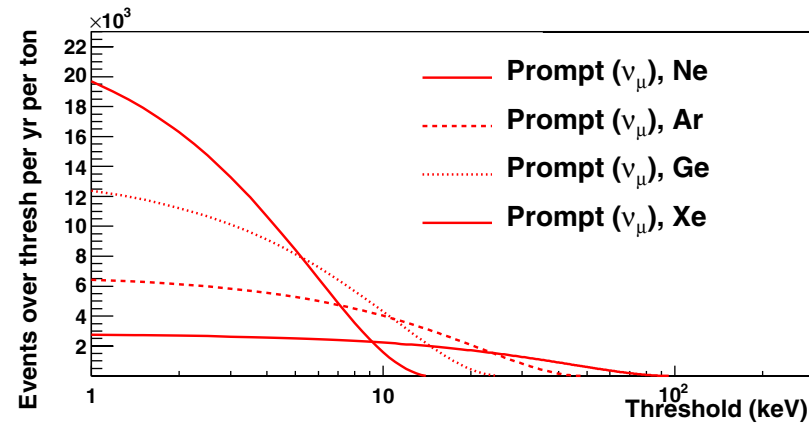
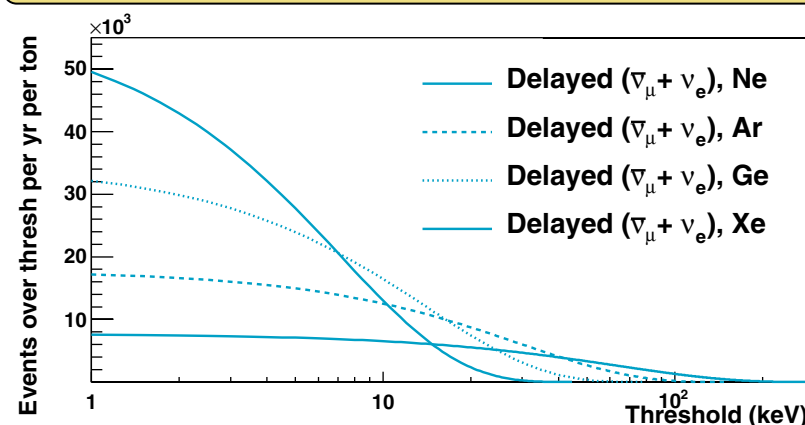
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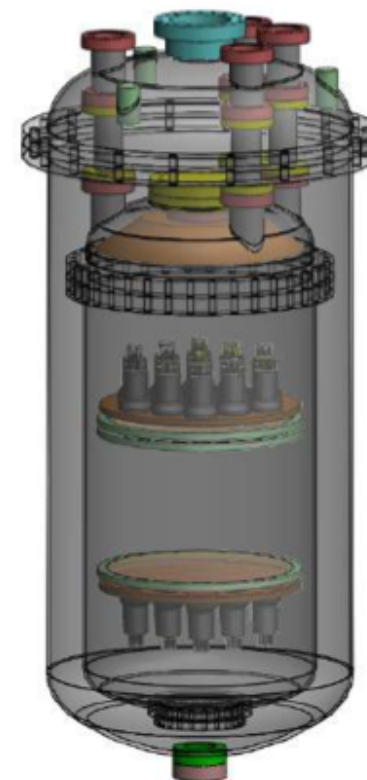




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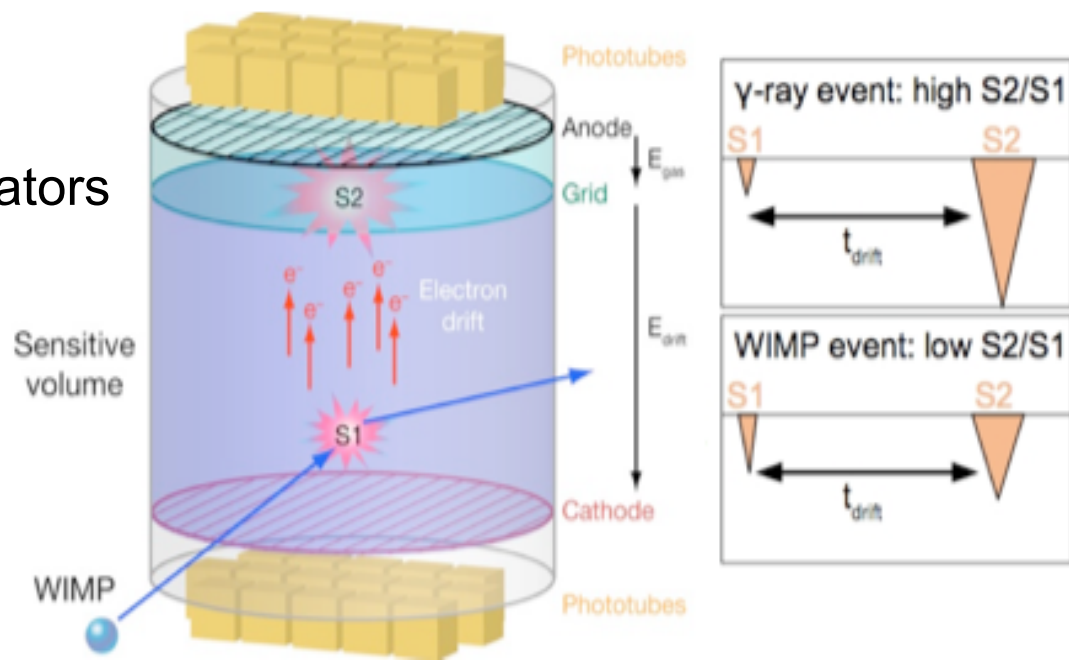




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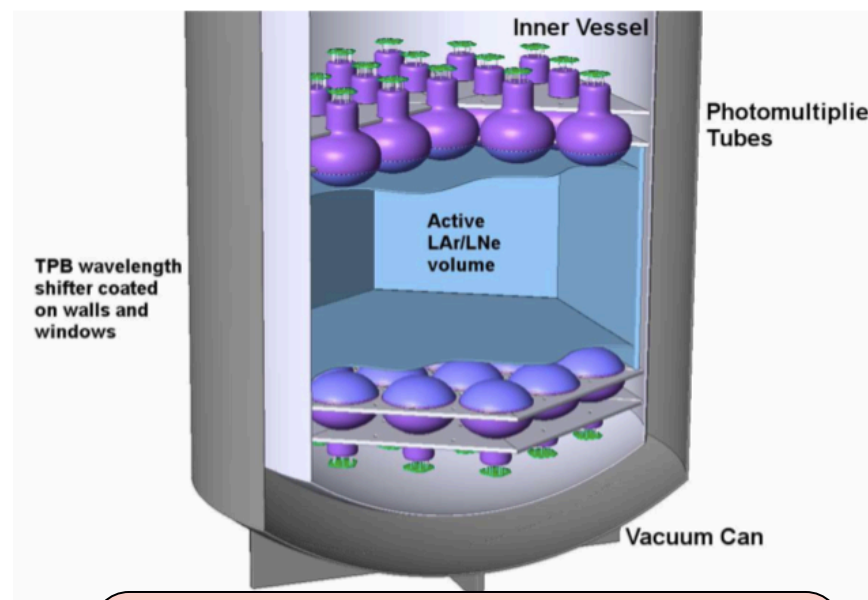




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## CLEAR Proposal & FNAL Effort



**Expect 200 events  $\text{ton}^{-1} \text{year}^{-1}$   
20 m from BNB at 32 kW and  
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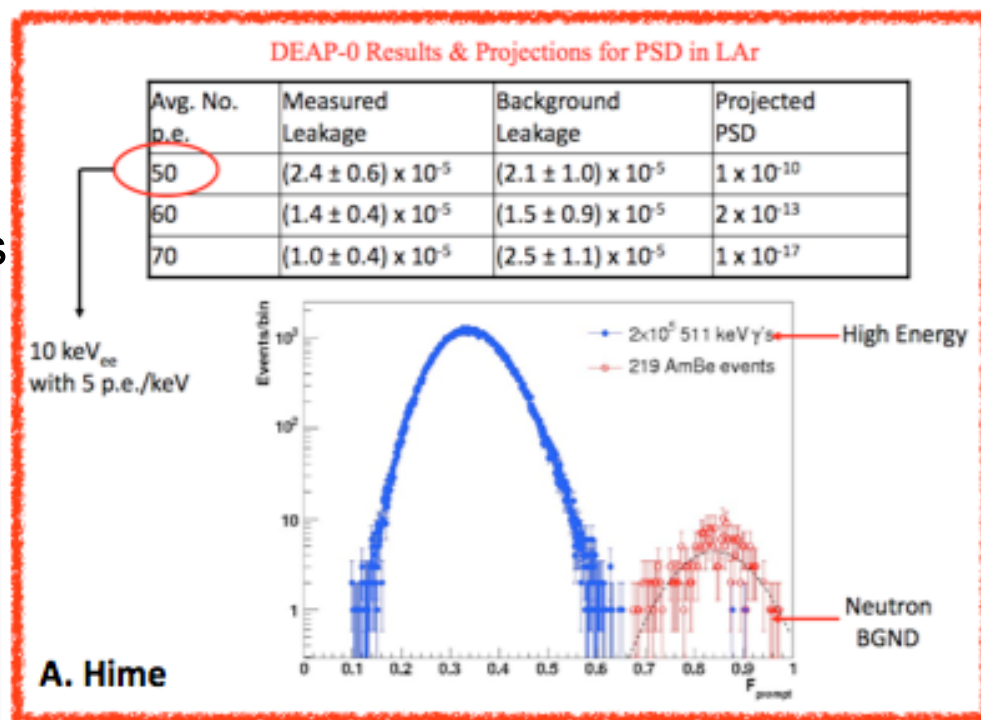




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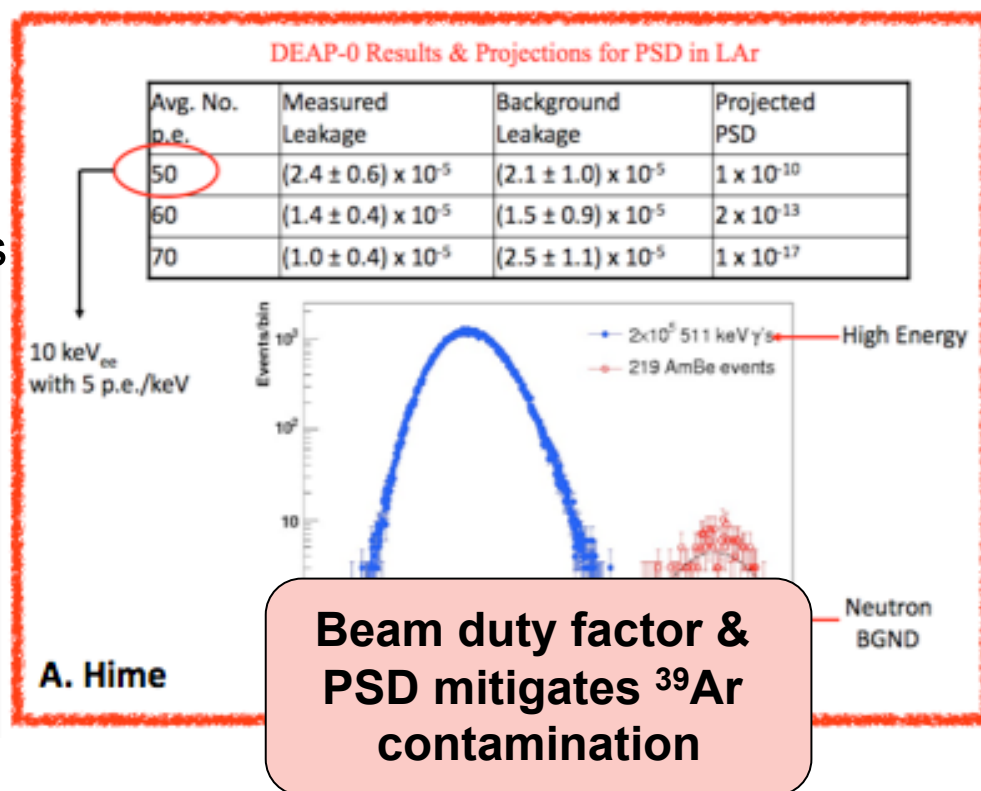




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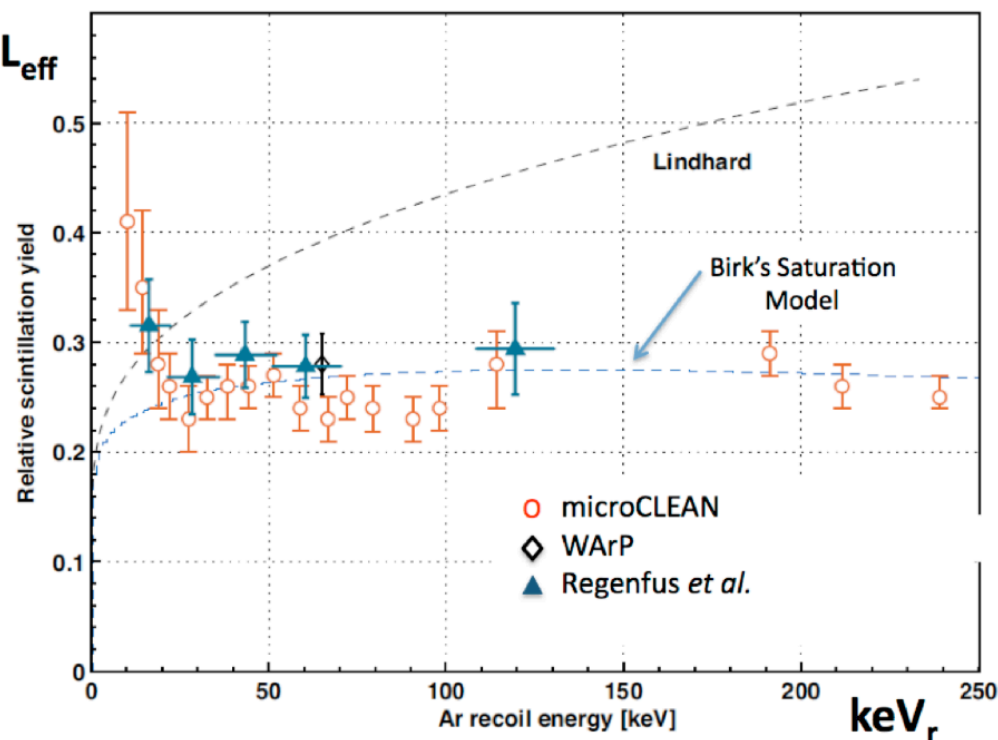
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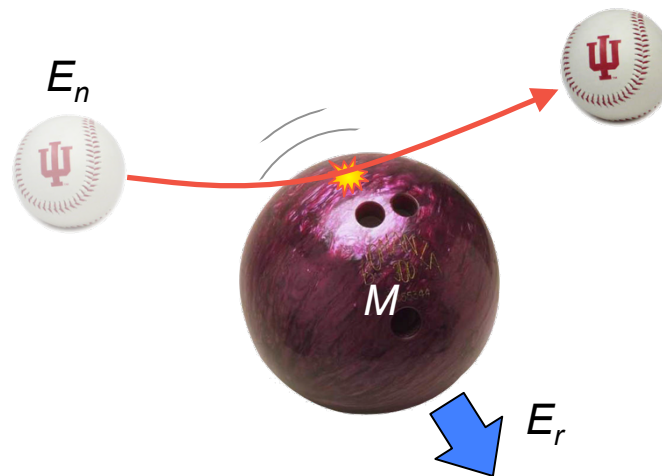
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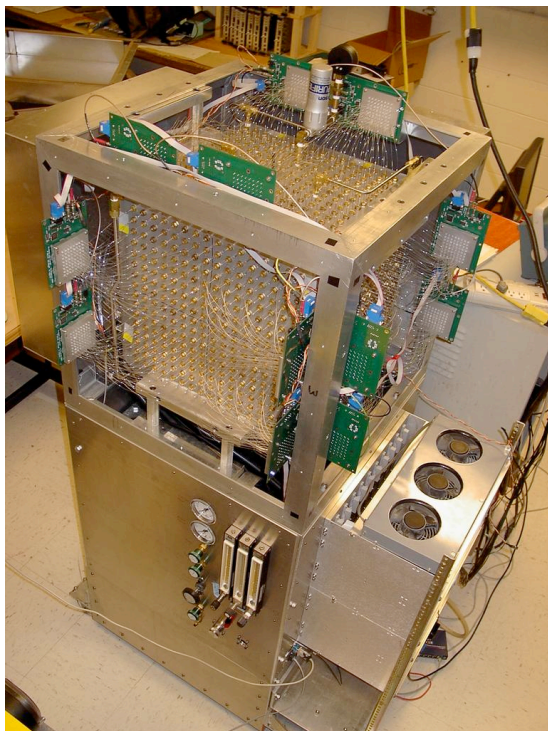
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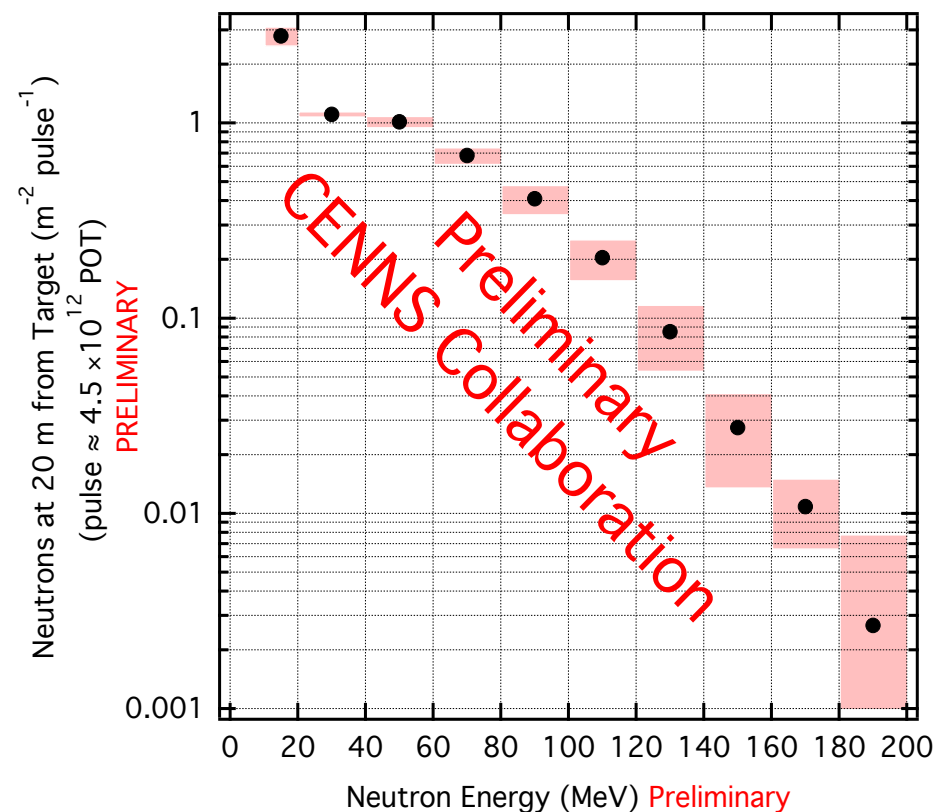
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# In-Beam Neutron Measurements

Indiana-Built SciBath Detector



BNB Neutron Spectrum at 20 m





## Phases of Coherent $\nu$ -A Experiments

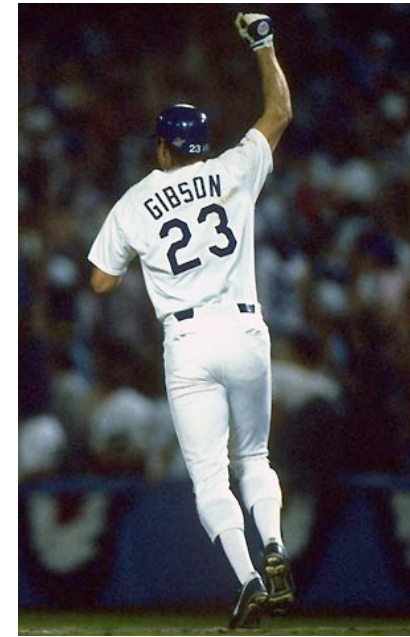
Phase	Detector Scale	Physics Goals	Comments
Phase 1	10-100 kg	First Detection	Precision flux not needed
Phase 2	100 kg – 1 ton	SM tests, NSI searches	Becoming systematically limited
Phase 3	1 ton – multi-ton	Neutron structure, neutrino magnetic moment	Systems control a dominant issue; multiple targets useful

Table from K. Scholberg at Coherent NCvAs mini-workshop at FNAL

- Detector technology exists, neutrinos sources exist, with neutron background mitigation experiments can operate near surface
- How can we engage your expertise?



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# PINCH HITTERS (BACKUPS)

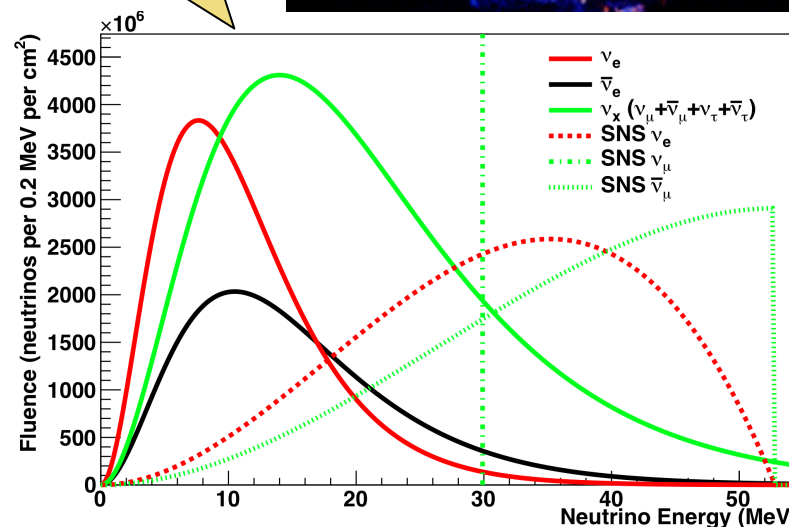
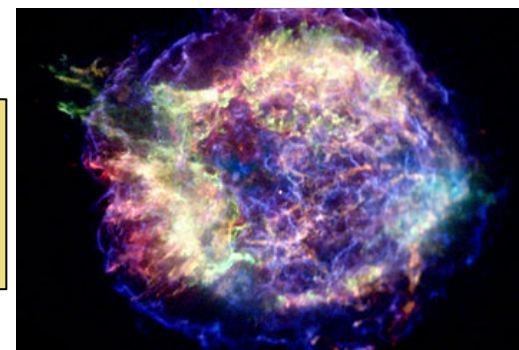




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Supernova energy spectrum similar to stopped pions



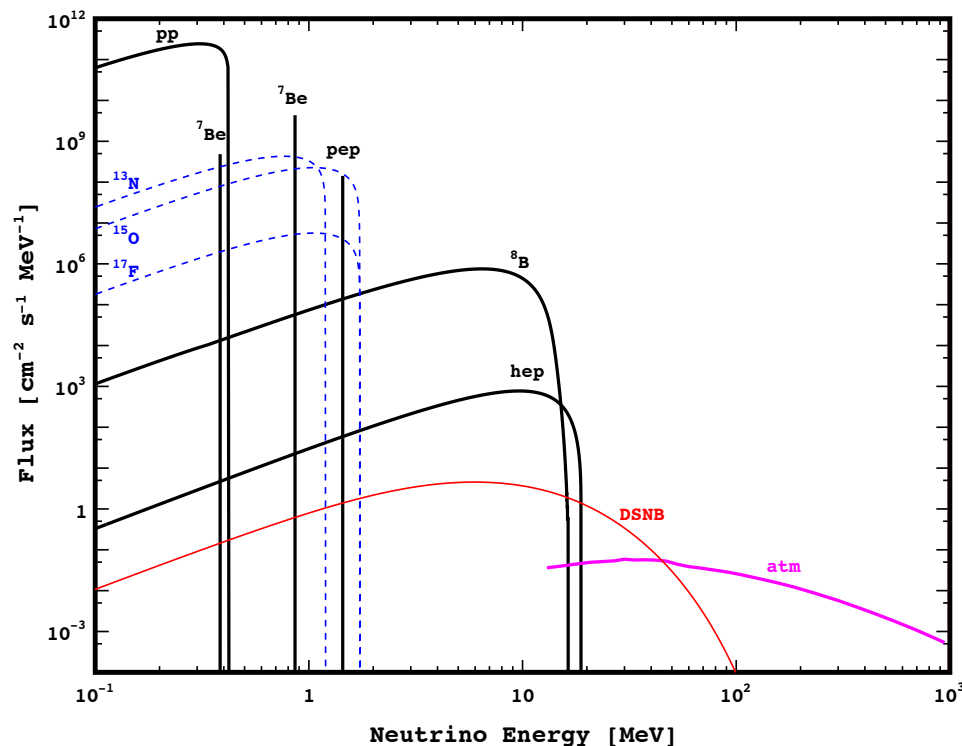
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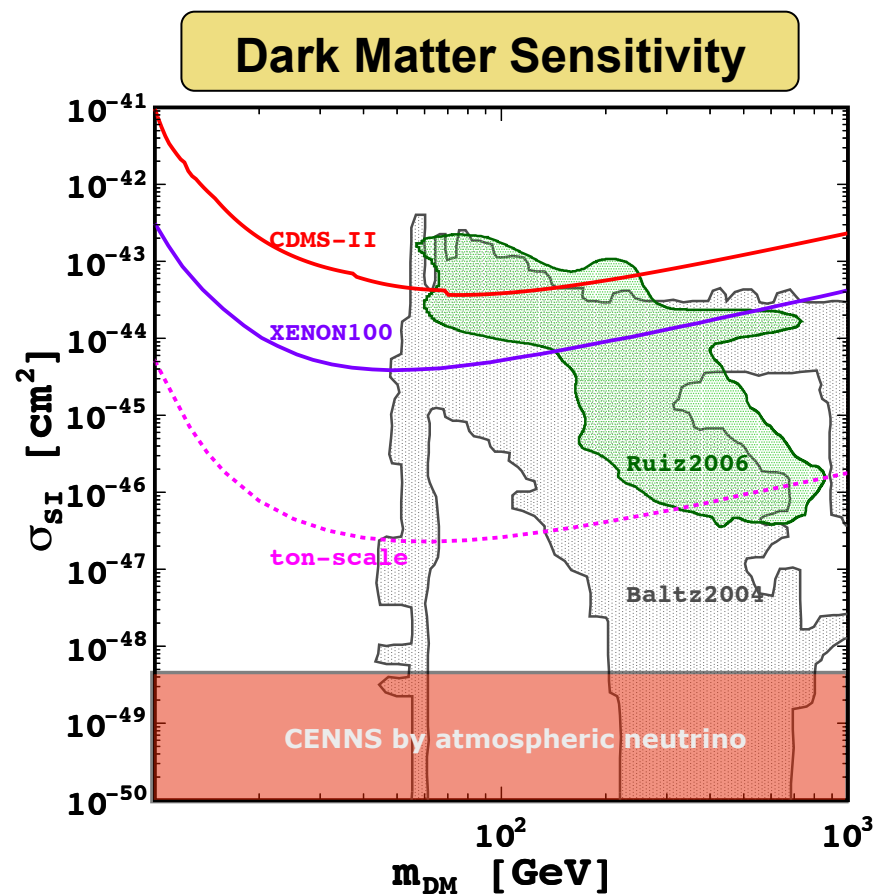


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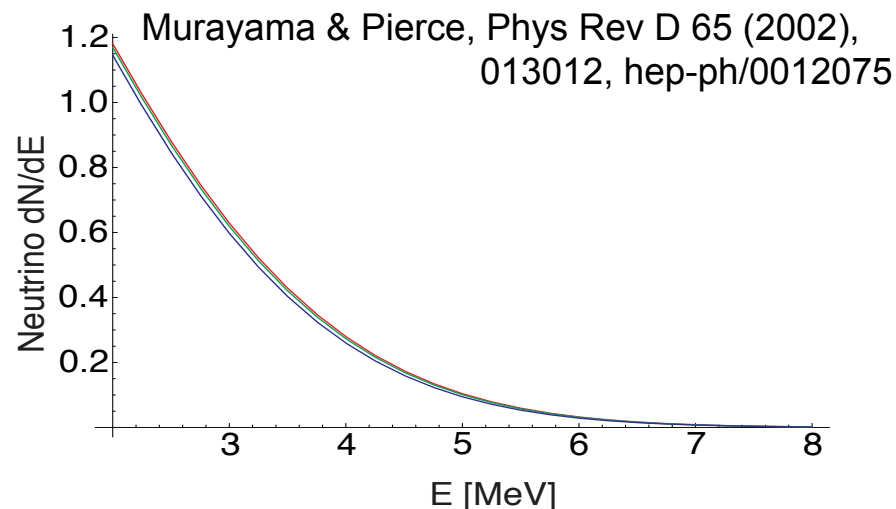


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# Reactor Neutrino Sources

- Reactors give very high flux  
 $\Phi_{\bar{\nu}} \simeq 10^{20} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  at 20 m
- Single  $\bar{\nu}_e$  neutrino flavor
- Low energy forces detector thresholds  $< 10 \text{ keV}$
- Steady state running and backgrounds
- Reactor off for backgrounds
- Reactor monitoring applications

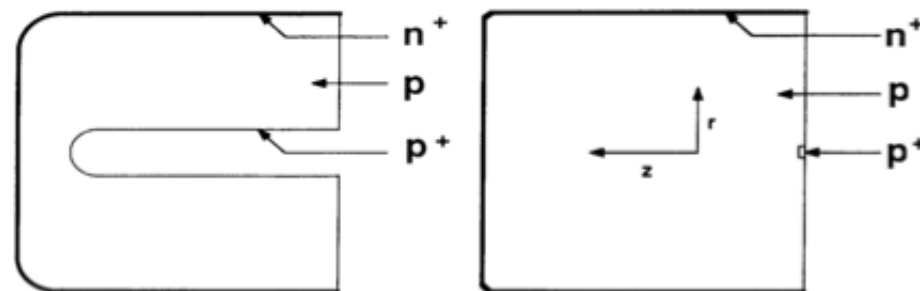




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## Majorana PPC Ge Detector



coaxial detector

ppc detector



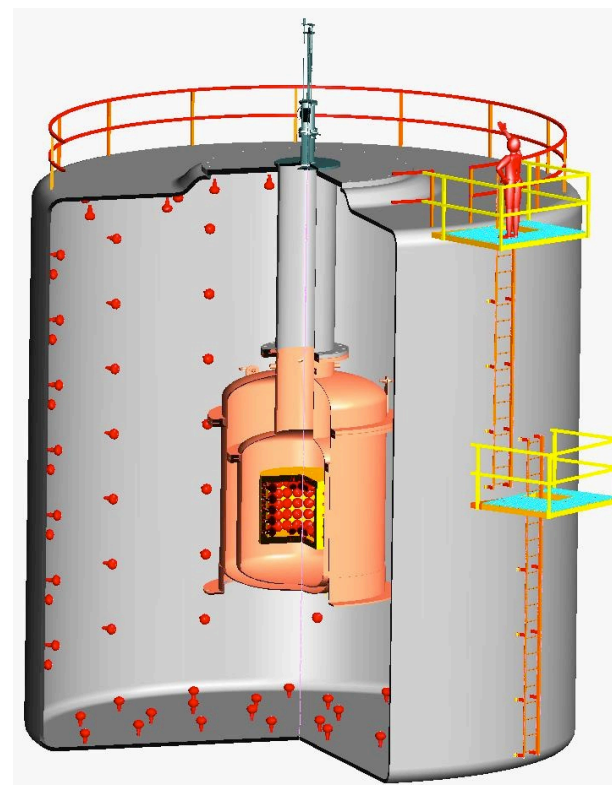
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FNAL 1-ton LAr Detector

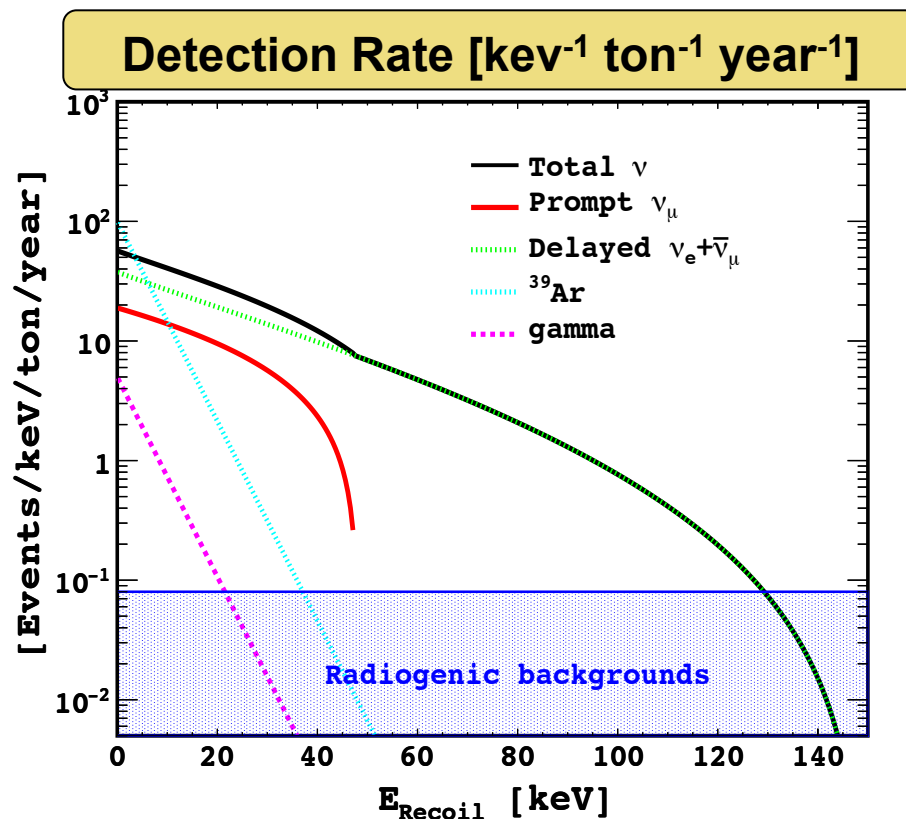




# Background Rejection in Signal

- Beam duty factor  $\sim 10^{-5}$
- Total exposure 300 s / year
- PSD can reject  $^{39}\text{Ar}$  betas and gamma backgrounds
- Require beam-correlated neutrons  $< 10 \text{ year}^{-1} \text{ ton}^{-1}$

- SciBath deployed to measure this rate



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# BNB Experiment Layout

MI-12 Radiation Shielding

