

The International Design Study for the Neutrino Factory



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Neutrino Factory:

Prologue

- Neutrino oscillations, an established phenomenon

- Neutrino mass is not zero and neutrinos mix

- i.e. Standard Model is incomplete

- Either:

- Majorana neutrino: a new state of matter; or
- New physics:
 - To distinguish Dirac neutrino from Dirac anti-neutrino

- Phenomenological description:

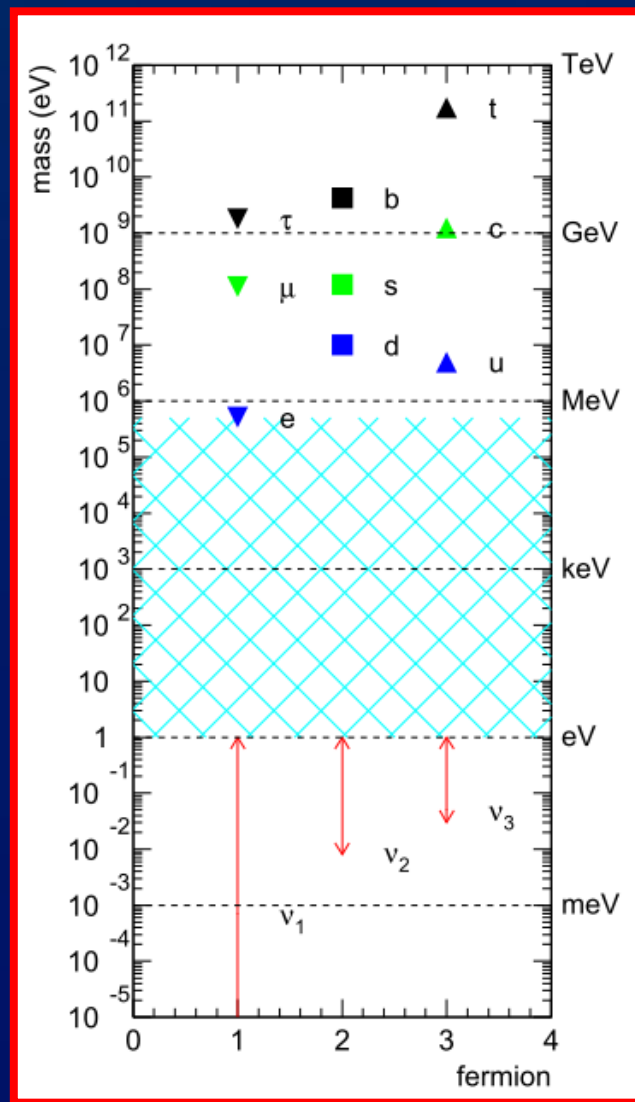
- Mixing of mass states → flavour states

- Potentially yields additional source of CP violation

- Observations:

- Neutrino mixing pattern substantially different to that of the quarks
- Neutrino masses are tiny

- Why?



Standard neutrino Model (SvM):

- Phenomenological description:

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

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 > 0$$

$$\Delta m_{31}^2 = m_3^2 - m_1^2$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| \gg \Delta m_{21}^2$$

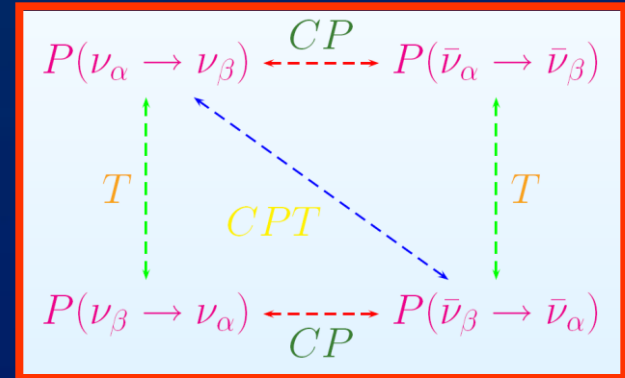
parameter	Ref. [1]		Ref. [2] (MINOS updated)	
	best fit $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ interval	best fit $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ interval
Δm_{21}^2 [10^{-5}eV^2]	$7.65^{+0.23}_{-0.20}$	7.05–8.34	$7.67^{+0.22}_{-0.21}$	7.07–8.34
Δm_{31}^2 [10^{-3}eV^2]	$\pm 2.40^{+0.12}_{-0.11}$	$\pm(2.07\text{--}2.75)$	-2.39 ± 0.12 $+2.49 \pm 0.12$	$-(2.02\text{--}2.79)$ $+(2.13\text{--}2.88)$
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.304^{+0.022}_{-0.016}$	0.25–0.37	$0.321^{+0.023}_{-0.022}$	0.26–0.40
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.50^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	0.36–0.67	$0.47^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	0.33–0.64
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.01^{+0.016}_{-0.011}$	≤ 0.056	0.003 ± 0.015	≤ 0.049

[1] Schwetz, Tortola and Valle, arXiv:0808.2016

[2] Gonzalez-Garcia and Maltoni, arXiv:0704.1800

The experimentalists' contribution:

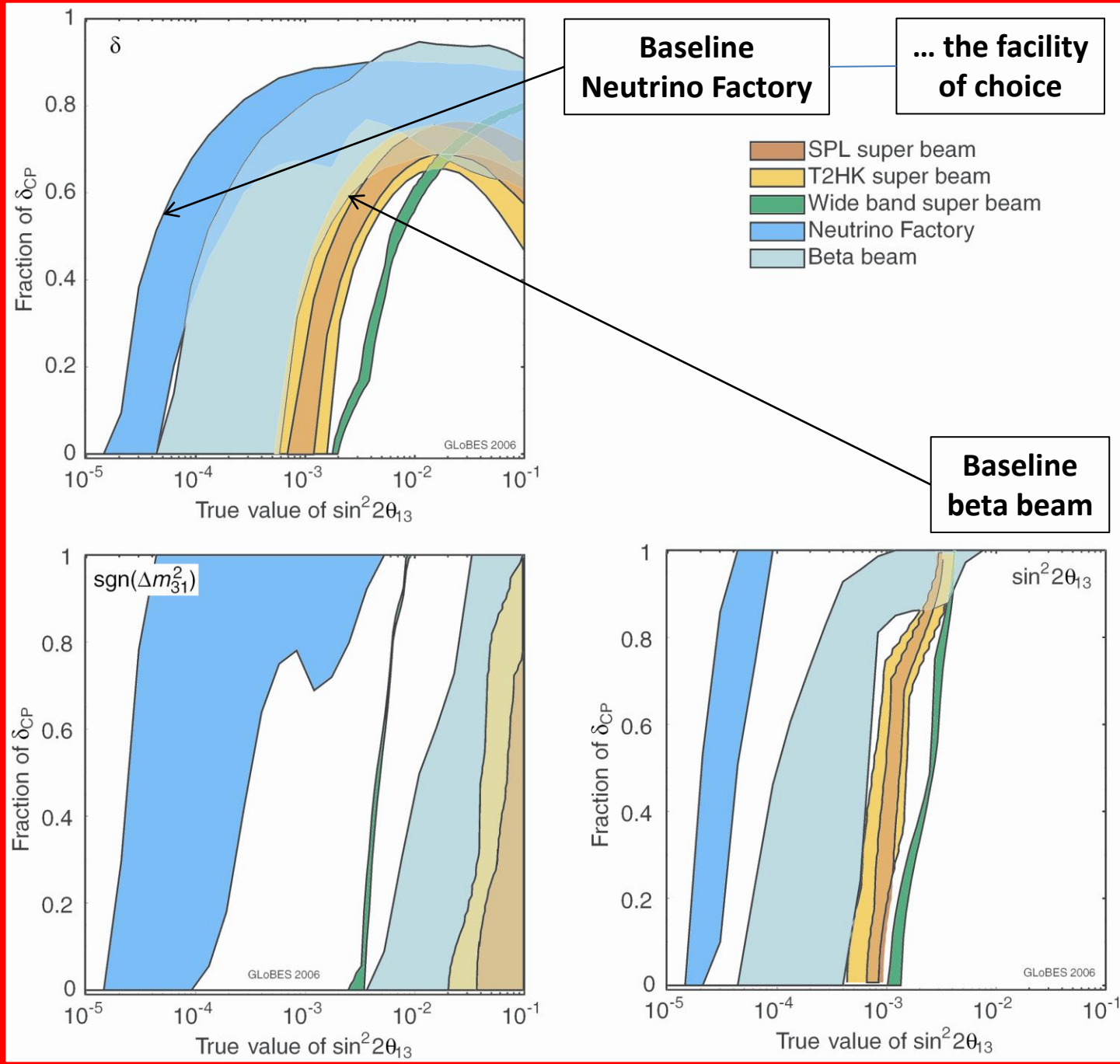
- **Discovery:**
 - Search for leptonic CP violation
 - Determine mass hierarchy
 - Investigate discrete symmetries
- Measure mixing parameters with a precision sufficient to:
 - Determine structure of theory:
 - Ultimate theory must unify quarks and leptons:
 - Quark and lepton mixing parameters must be related
- Therefore, seek to:
 - Determine neutrino-mixing parameters with a precision approaching that of the quark-mixing parameters



Precision-era facility must address:

- Mass hierarchy
- CP violation
- θ_{13}
- $\theta_{12}, \theta_{23}, \Delta m_{31}^2, \Delta m_{21}^2$
- More over:
 - Is θ_{23} maximal?
 - Is θ_{13} zero?
 - Beyond the SvM:
 - NSIs
 - MVNs
 - Sterile neutrinos

- ISS reports:
 - Physics Report: Rept.Prog.Phys.72:106201,2009;
 - Accelerator Report: JINST 4:P07001,2009;
 - Detector Report: JINST 4:T05001,2009.



- **Motivation; timescale and risk**
- **IDS-NF Neutrino Factory baseline**
- **Status of the study**
 - **Accelerator facility**
 - **Neutrino detectors: see A. Laing's talk in 'track 13'**
- **Opportunities and conclusions**

Related presentations:

A. Laing: 'Detectors for CP violation at the Neutrino Factory'. (track 13, Saturday 24Jul10, 12:20);

Y. Karadzhov: 'Status of MICE, the international Muon Ionisation Cooling Experiment', poster;

V.Verguilov: 'Measurement of emittance reduction in MICE', poster;

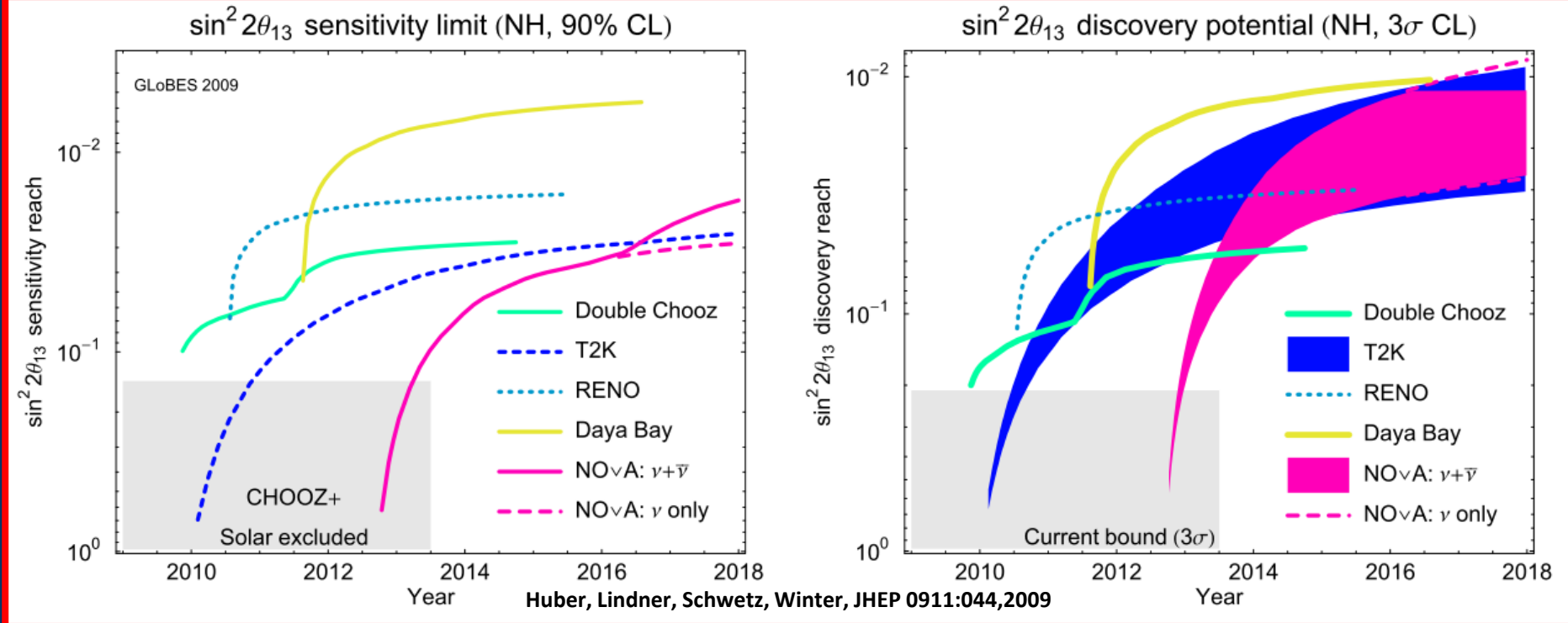
M.Bonesini: 'The MICE particle identification system', poster.

Steps towards the **Neutrino Factory**:

Timescale and risk [of incremental approach]

Discovery of non-leading oscillations:

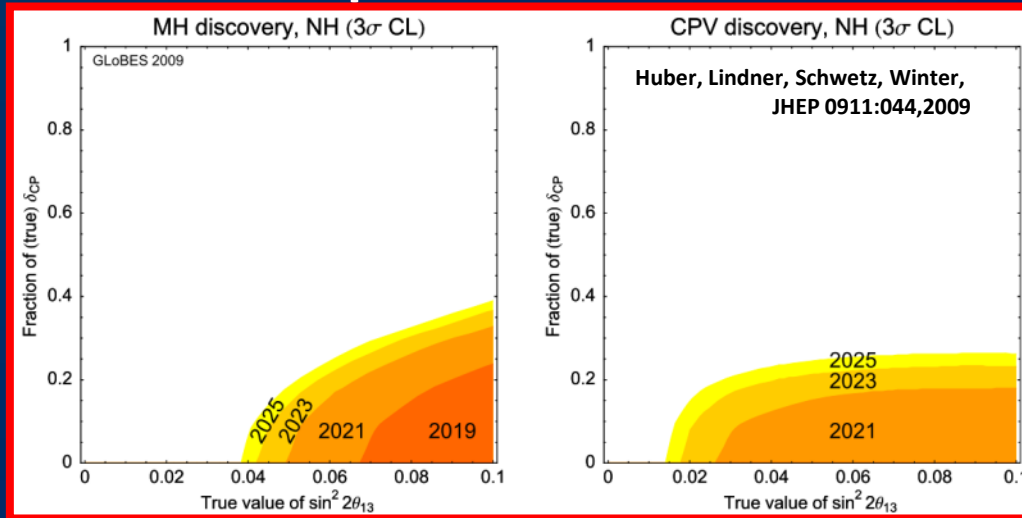
- Present, and near future, experiments that seek to measure θ_{13} :
 - Reactor: D-Chooz; Daya Bay; Reno
 - Long-baseline: T2K, NOvA



- ‘Sensitivity plateau’ of $\sim 10^{-2}$ reached around 2016

Potential/risk of incremental upgrade:

- Power upgrade to increase performance of T2K and NOvA:



- Upgraded facilities:

- Some sensitivity to MH and δ :

- Over 25—30% of (δ)parameter space:
 - So long as $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ larger than $\sim 10^{-2}$
- 70—75% of (δ)parameter space uncovered ($\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > \sim 10^{-2}$)
 - No δ -sensitivity for $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ smaller than $\sim 10^{-2}$

- Opportunity:

- Establish facility with discovery potential over close to the full parameter space and down to very small $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$:
 - With, in addition, the best possible:
 - Precision on the SvM parameters
 - Flexibility in the study of physics beyond the SvM

Risk avoidance: the Neutrino Factory:

- Optimise discovery potential for CP and MH

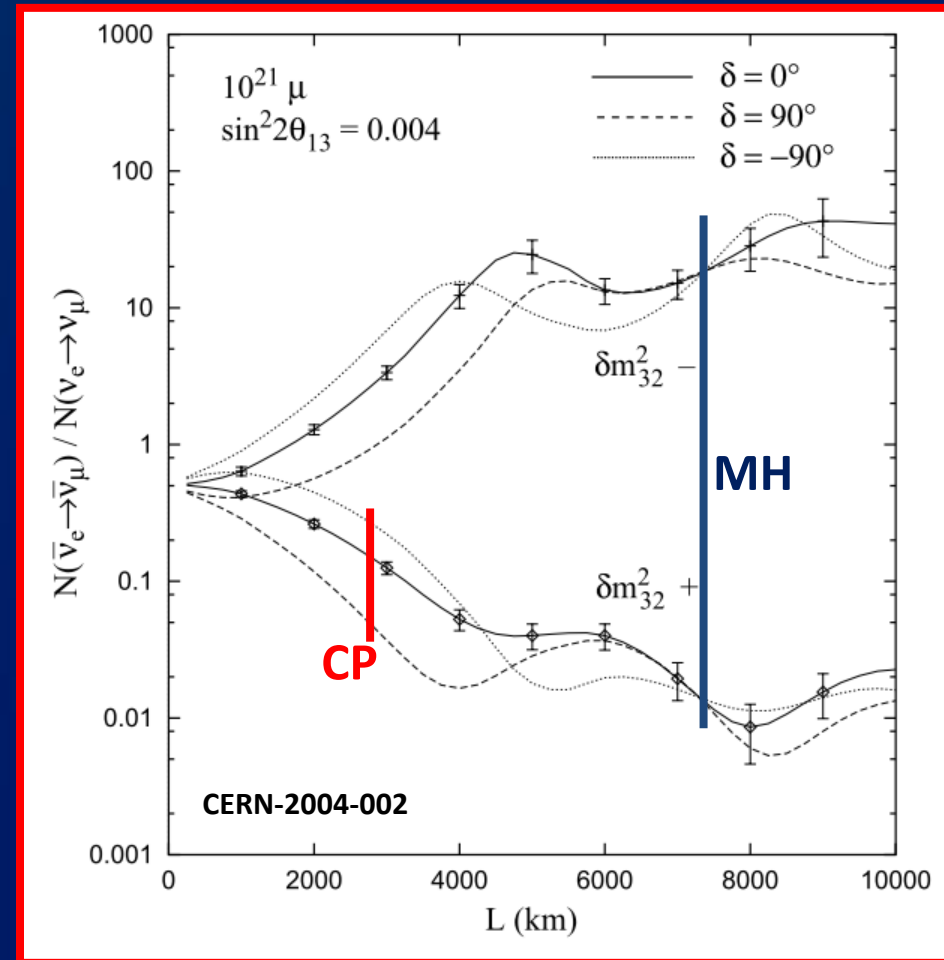
- Requirements:

- Large ν_e ($\bar{\nu}_e$) flux

- Detailed study of sub-leading effects

- (Large) high-energy ν_e ($\bar{\nu}_e$) flux

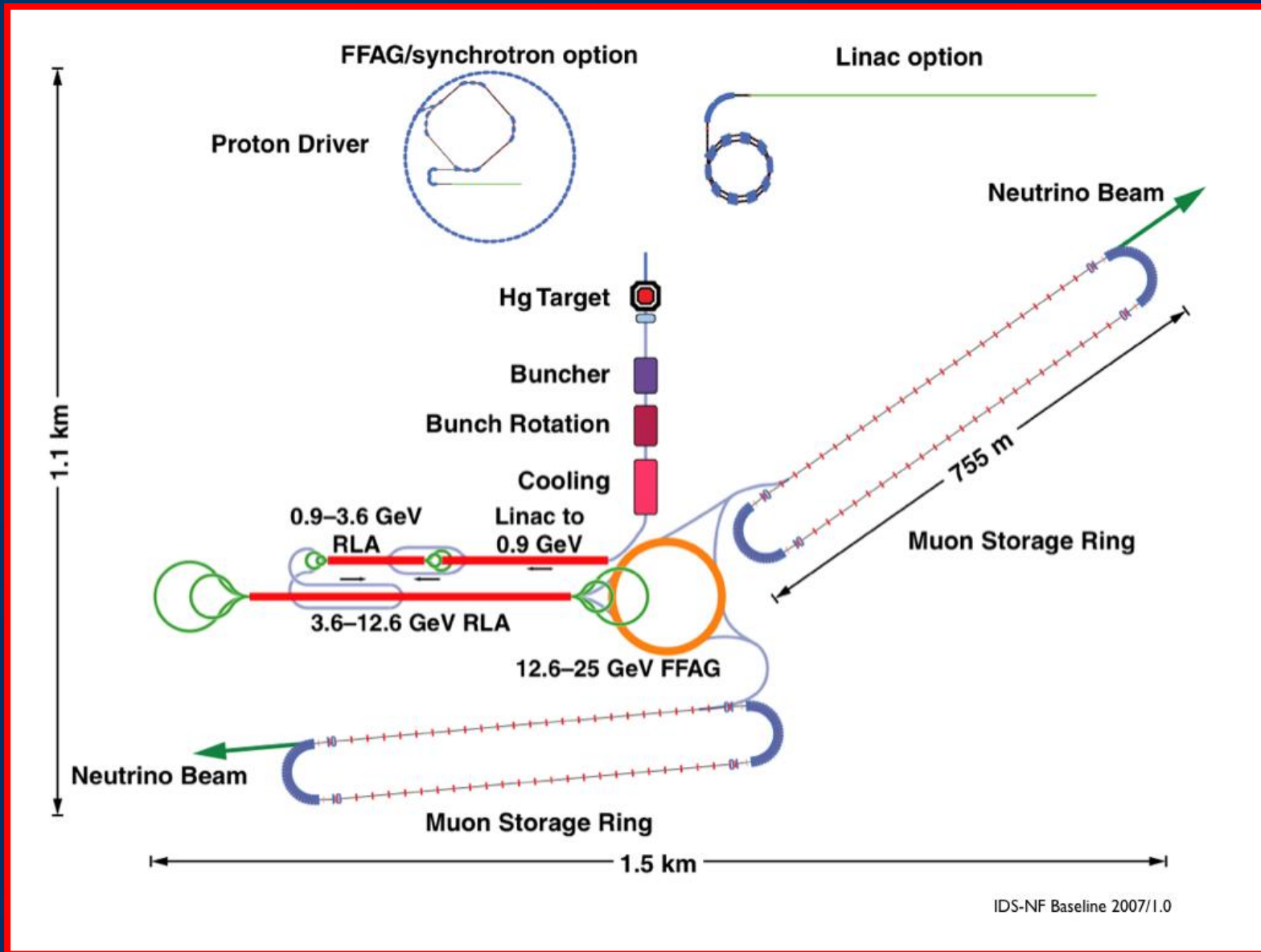
- Optimise event rate at fixed L/E
- Optimise MH sensitivity
- Optimise CP sensitivity



Neutrino Factory:

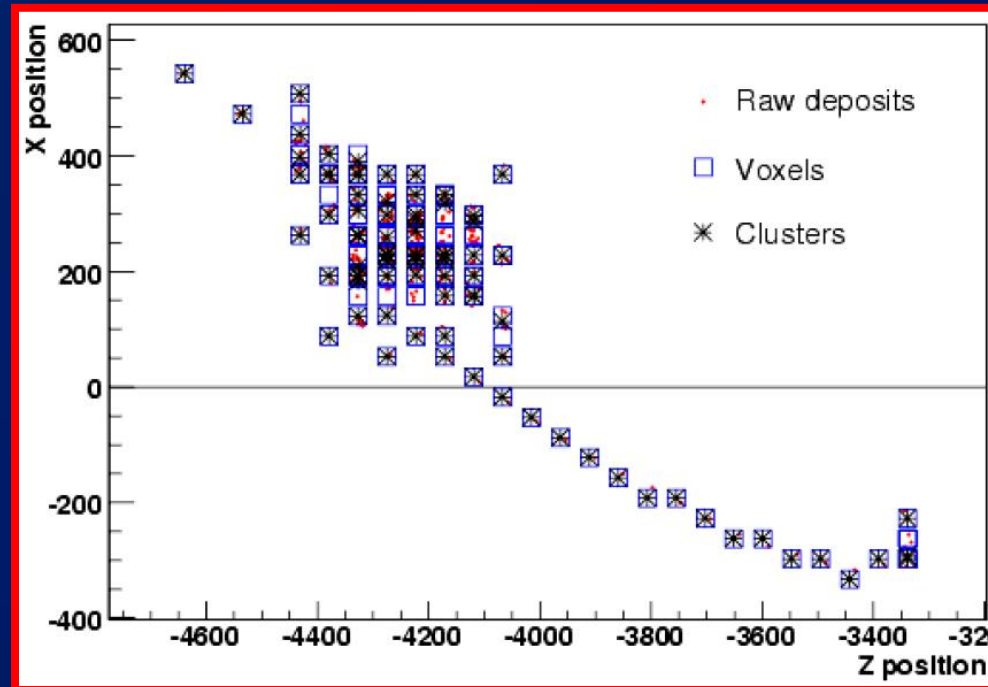
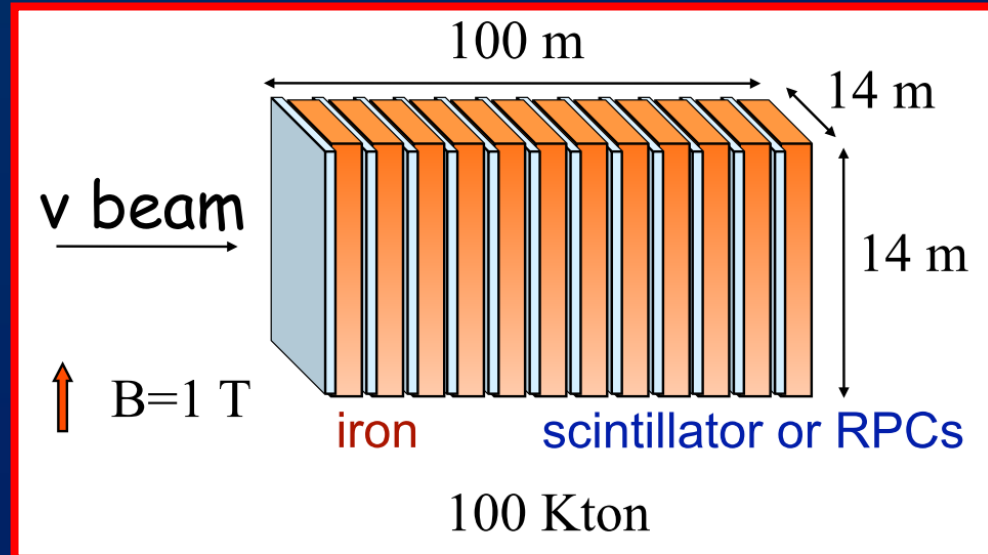
IDS-NF baseline; performance and optimisation

IDS-NF baseline: accelerator:



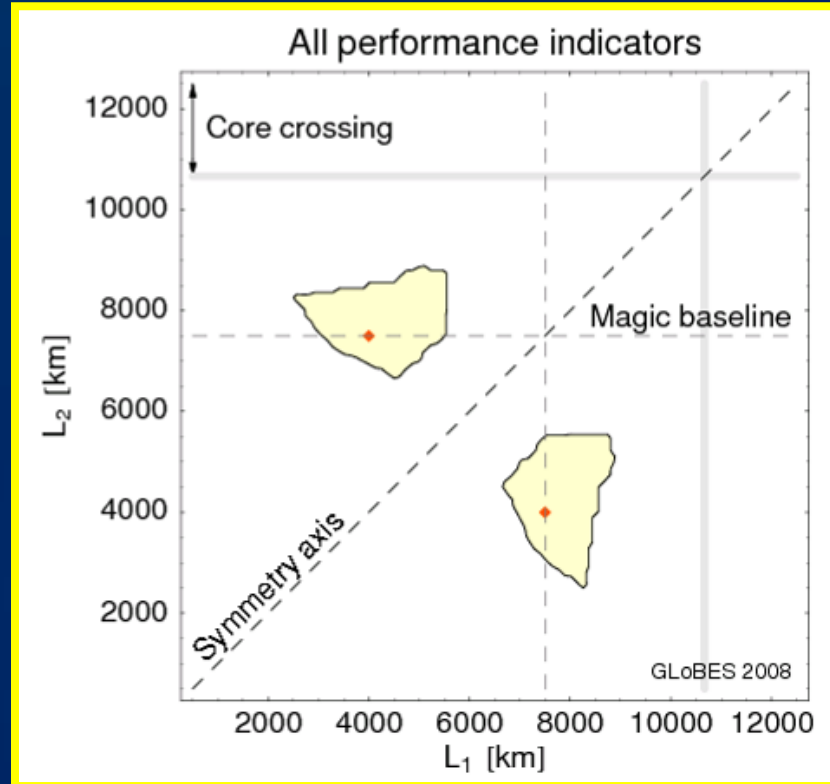
IDS-NF baseline: detector:

- **Baseline:**
 - **Magnetised Iron Neutrino Detector (MIND):**
 - Large (100 kTonne) mass
 - Readily magnetised
 - New analysis gives threshold at 1–2 GeV
- **Alternatives:**
 - **Totally Active Scintillator Detector (TASD); Liquid Argon (LAr):**
 - Potential for 'direct' sensitivity to ν_e and ν_τ
 - **Issues:**
 - Magnetisation of large volume
 - Cost of large mass of TASD
 - R&D required for large mass LAr



Neutrino Factory: optimisation:

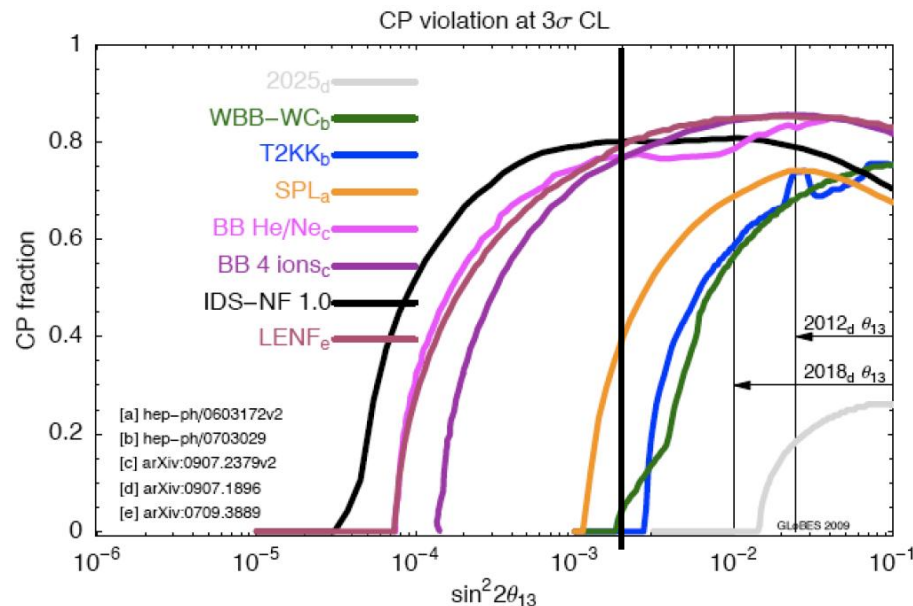
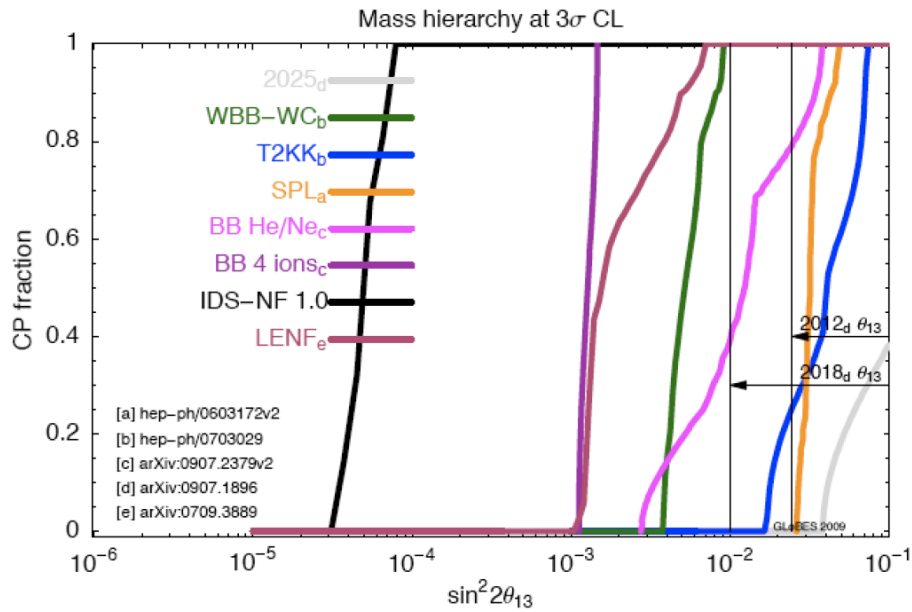
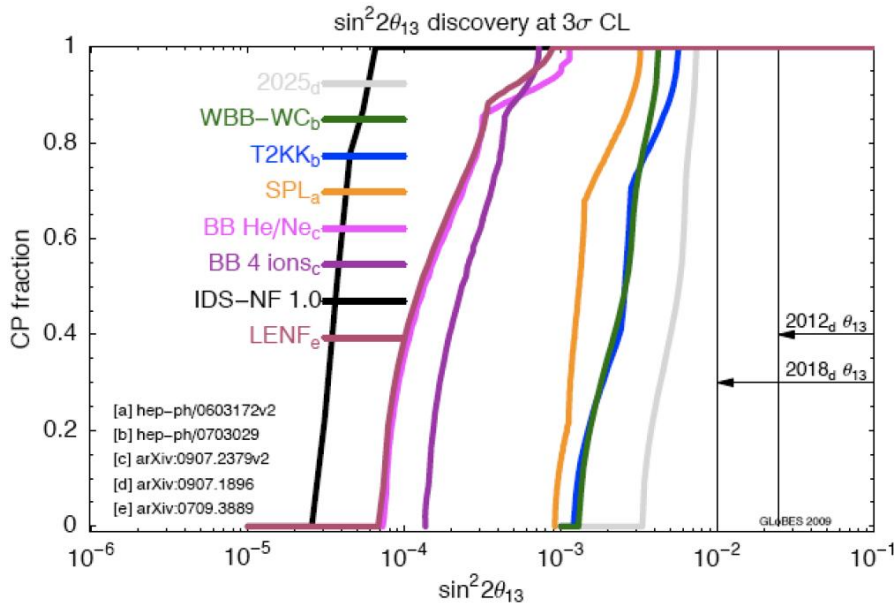
- Two detectors:
 - Compare performance of 50 kT detector at magic baseline with two 25 kT detectors



Kopp, Ota, Winter,
Phys.Rev.D78:053007,2008.

- Preferred combination:
 - 2000—5000 km; good sensitivity to CP violation
 - 7000—8000 km; mass hierarchy, θ_{13} , degeneracy resolution

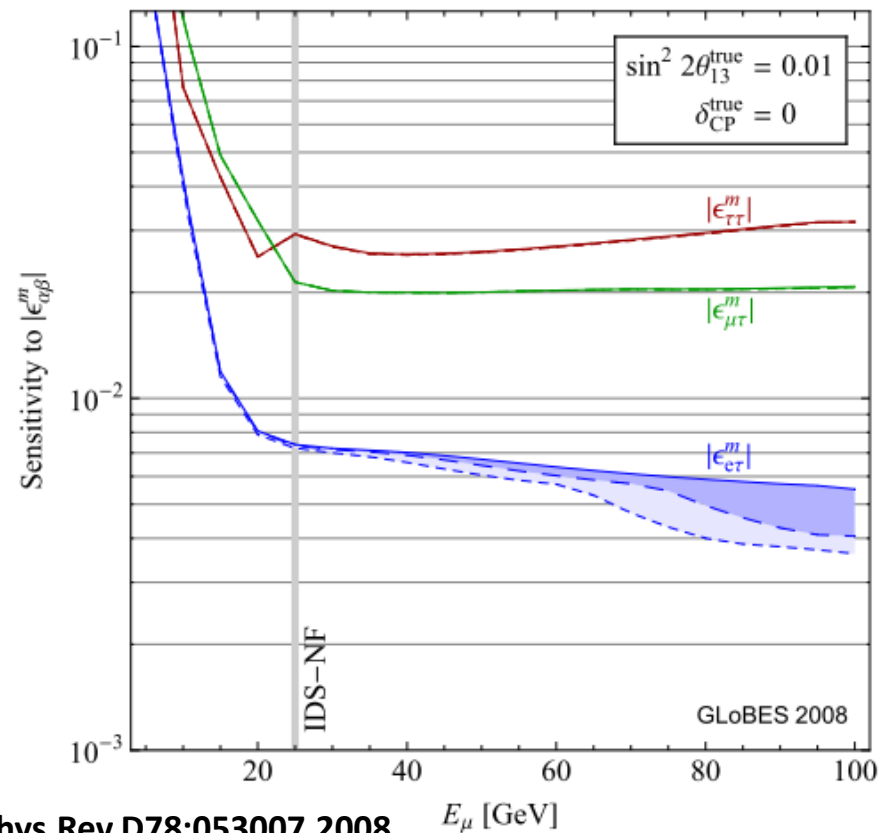
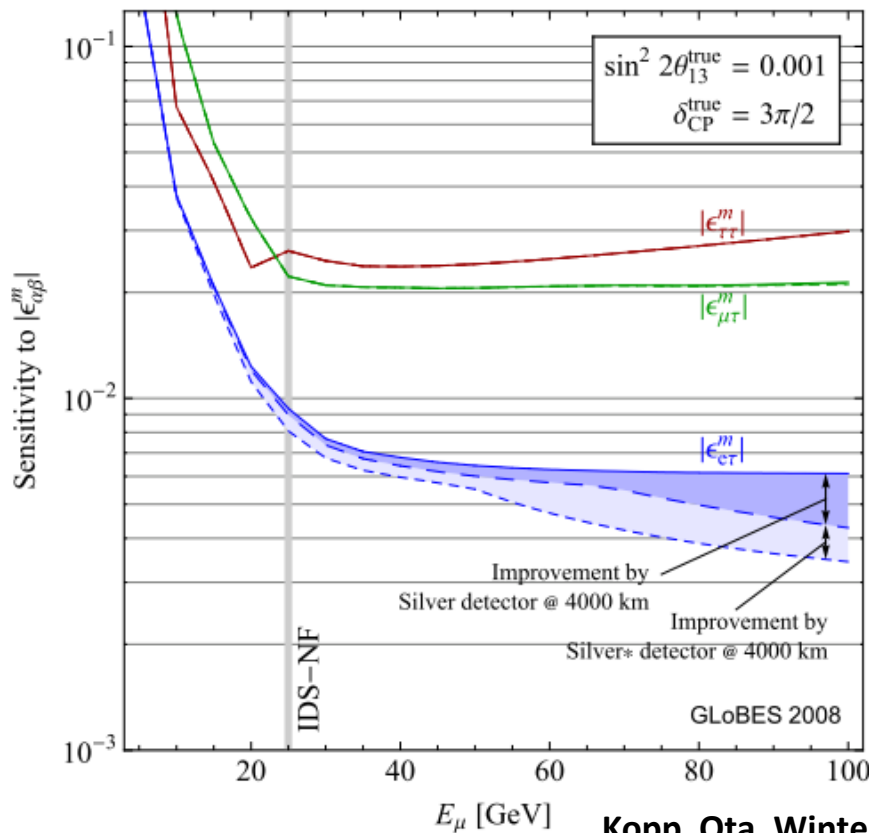
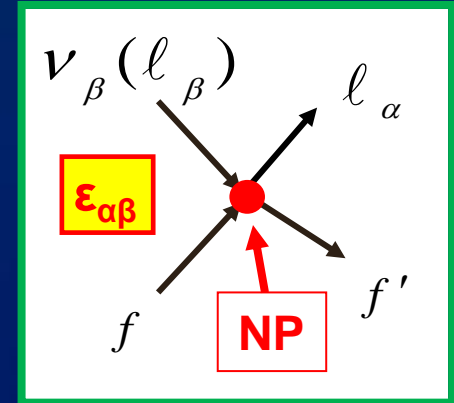
IDS-NF baseline performance:



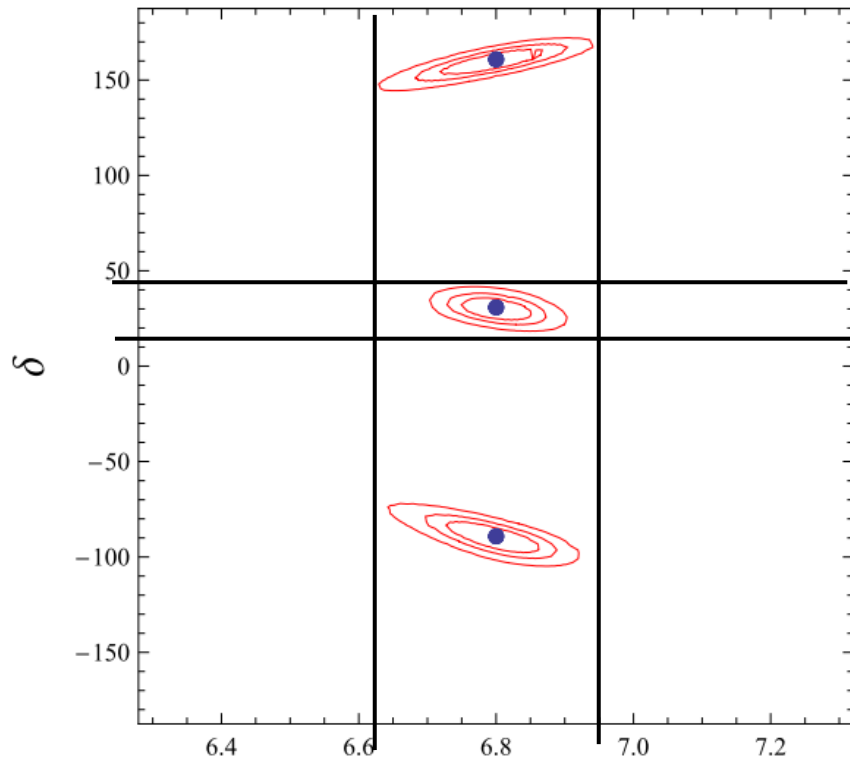
- **Neutrino Factory outperforms other options:**
 - **Larger discovery reach**
- **Alternative/option (large θ_{13}):**
 - **Beta beam:**
 - **But requires large Ne flux, high- γ , and/or 4-ions**
 - **Low energy Neutrino Factory:**
 - **Below tau threshold: reduced redundancy/flexibility**

IDS-NF baseline: performance:

- Physics beyond the SvM:
 - Example: on-standard interactions
 - Excellent performance for $E_\mu = 25$ GeV (IDS-NF baseline)

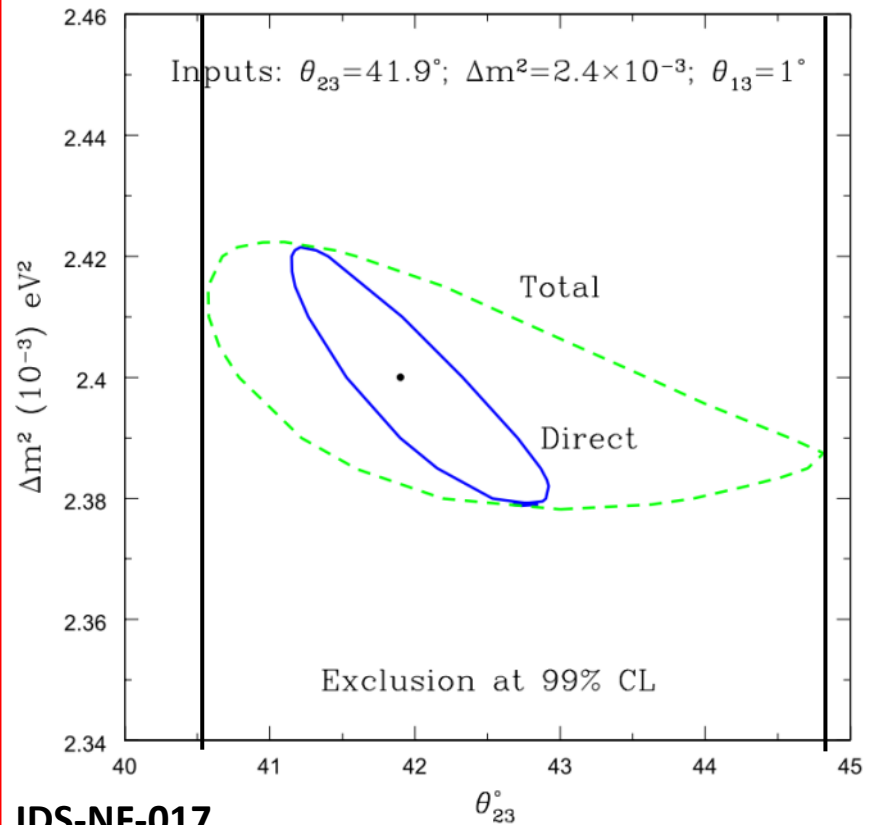


IDS-NF baseline: precision; large θ_{13} :



arXiv: 1005.2275

θ_{13}



IDS-NF-017

θ_{23}°

- Precision measurement of mixing parameters:
 - θ_{13} measurement at $< 1^\circ$ level and θ_{23} at $\sim 2^\circ$ level
 - δ measurement at 10–15% level
 - Requires understanding of ν_τ component of signal

Neutrino Factory:

Accelerator facility:

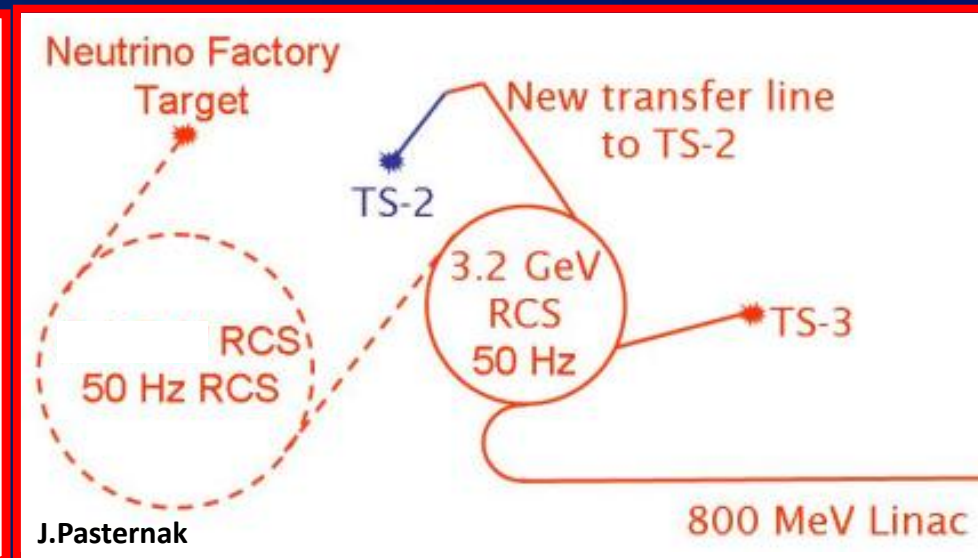
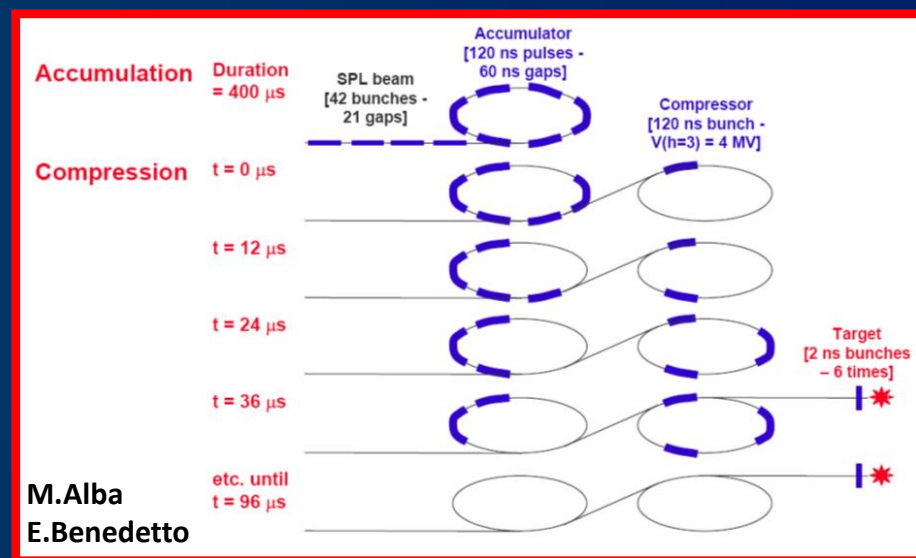
[Neutrino Factory detectors: see A. Lang's talk in 'track 13']

Parameter	Value	Comment
Beam power	4 MW	Production rate
Beam energy	5-15 GeV	Optimum pion production
Bunch length	2 ± 1 ns	Pion/muon capture

Proton driver:

IPAC10: THPD074,
MOPEC049,
WEPE098

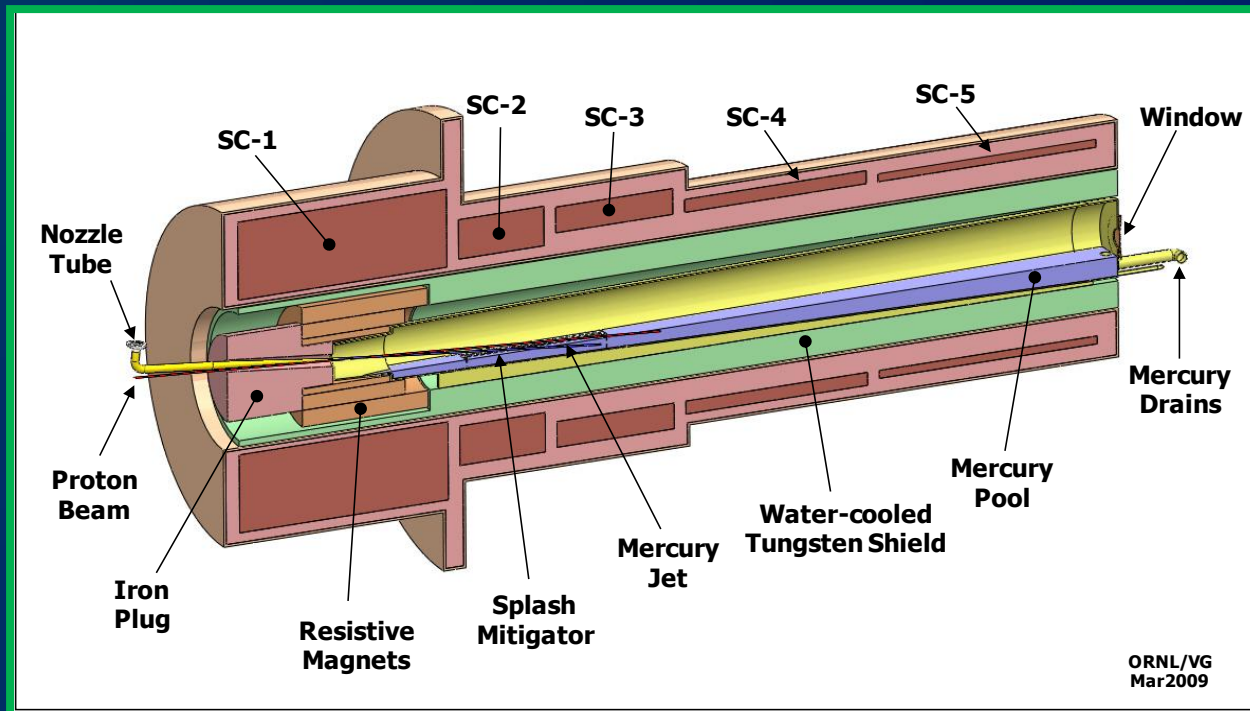
- **Challenges:**
 - High power; short proton bunch length at ~ 10 GeV
- **IDS-NF approach:**
 - Consider two 'generic' options:
 - **LINAC:**
 - Possible development option for SPL (CERN) or Project-X (FNAL)
 - Requires accumulator/compressor rings
 - **Rings:**
 - Development option for J-PARC or RAL or possible 'green-field' option
 - Requires bunch compression



Target/capture:

IPAC10: WEPE101,
THPEC092

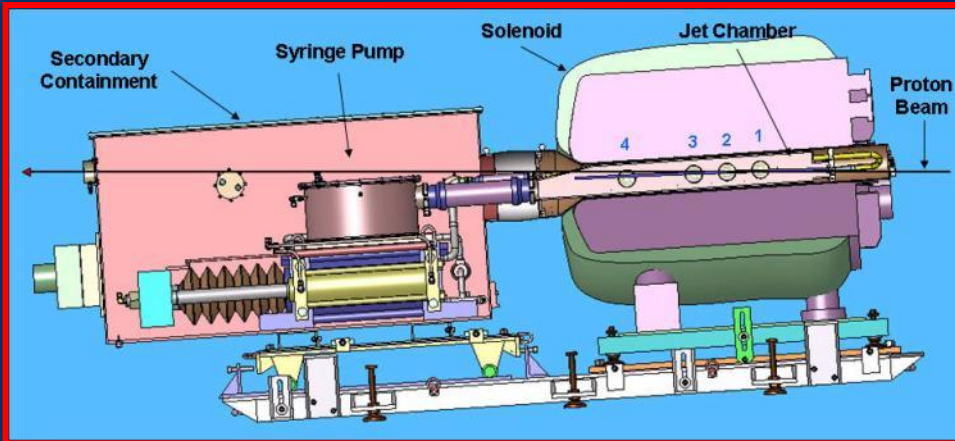
Parameter	Value	Comment
Jet velocity	20 m/s	Reformation of jet
Field at i/p	20 T	Pion collection
Field at exit of capture	1.75 T	Pion focusing



- **Baseline:**
 - **Mercury jet, tapered solenoid for pion capture:**
 - 20 T tapering to 1.75 T in ~13 m
- **Alternatives: [mitigation of technical risk]**
 - **Tungsten bars; tungsten-powder jet**

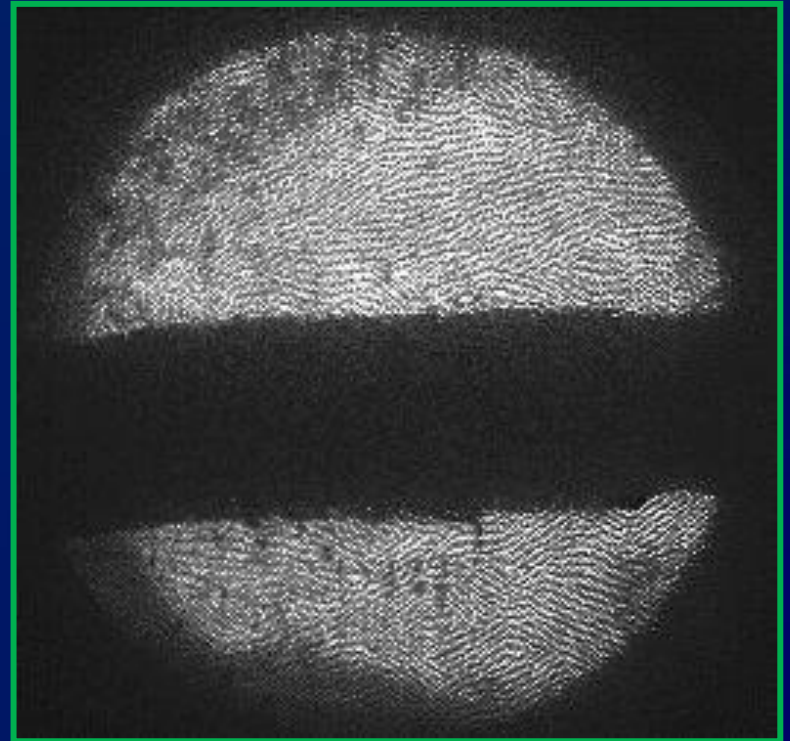
Baseline target: proof of principal: MERIT:

IPAC10: WEPE078



- 'Disruption length': 28 cm
- 'Refill' time: 14 ms
 - Corresponds to 70 Hz
- Hence:
 - Demonstrated operation at:
 - $115 \text{ kJ} \times 70 \text{ Hz} = 8 \text{ MW}$

- 20 m/s liquid Hg jet in 15 T B field
- Exposed to CERN PS proton beam:
 - Beam pulse energy = 115 kJ
 - Reached 30 tera protons at 24 GeV

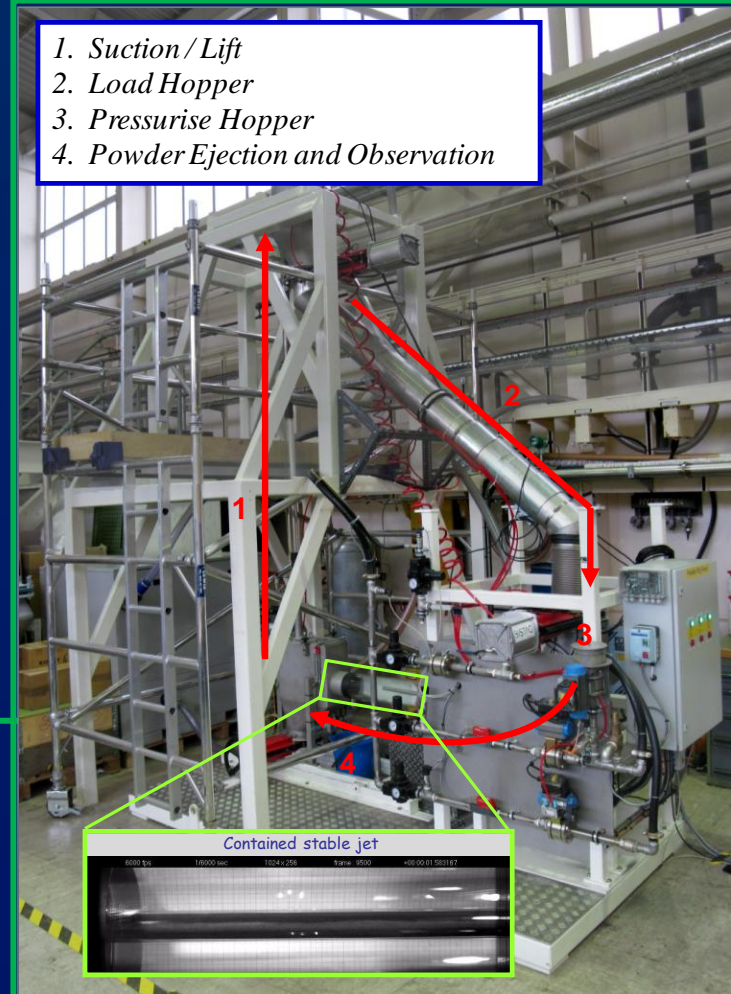


Alternatives: solid and powder jet:

- **Solid target:**

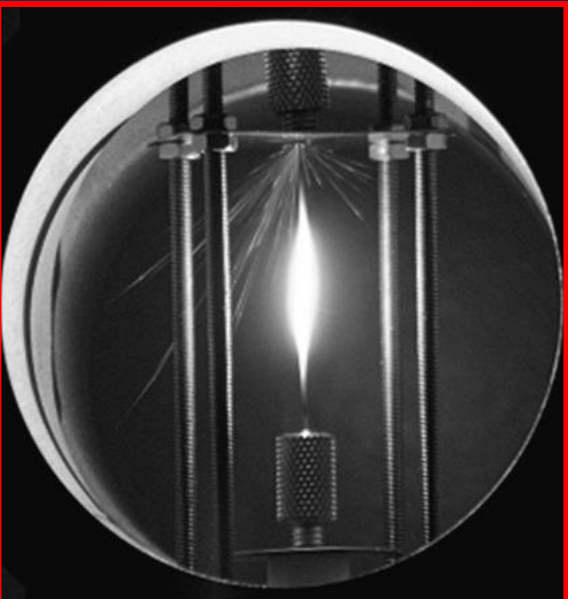
- **Lifetime limitation from beam-induced shock:**
 - Investigated using rapid rise-time (kicker) power supply and thin wire
- **Measurements imply:**
 - 2 cm diameter tungsten rod will survive > 10 yrs
- **Proceeding to measure vibration modes to determine stress and verify models**

1. Suction / Lift
2. Load Hopper
3. Pressurise Hopper
4. Powder Ejection and Observation



- **Tungsten-powder jet:**

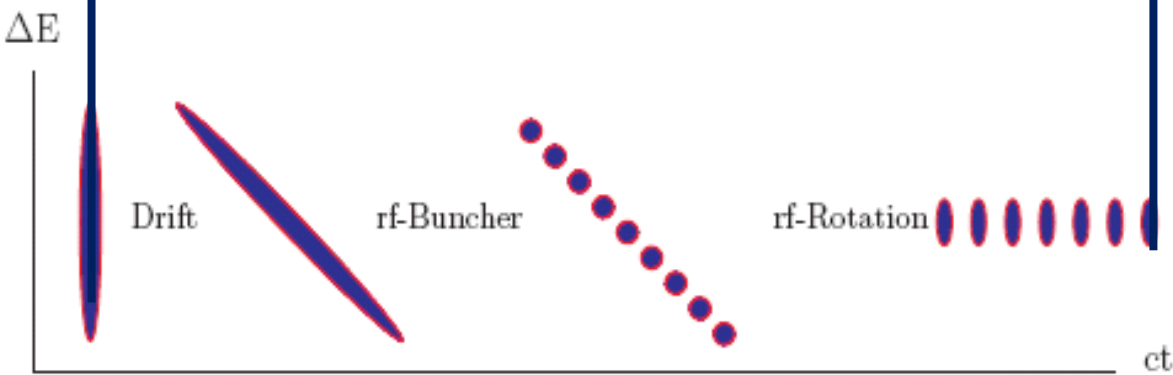
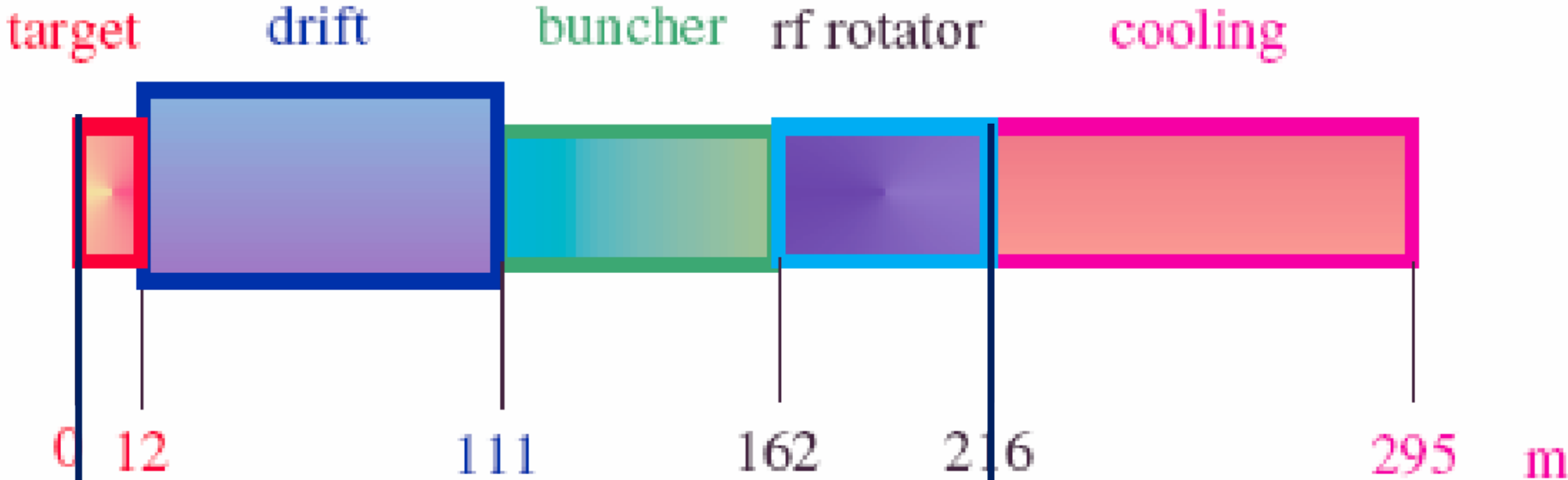
- **(Jet) advantage:**
 - Avoids issue of shock
- **(Solid) advantage:**
 - Avoids issue of Hg handling
- 'Bench-test' system under evaluation
- Proof of principal system under consideration



Parameter	Value	Comment
E -spread after P.R.	10%	Subsequent accel.
Freq. after P.R.	201.25 MHz	
Emittance at exit	7.4 mm rad	Subsequent accel.

Muon front-end:

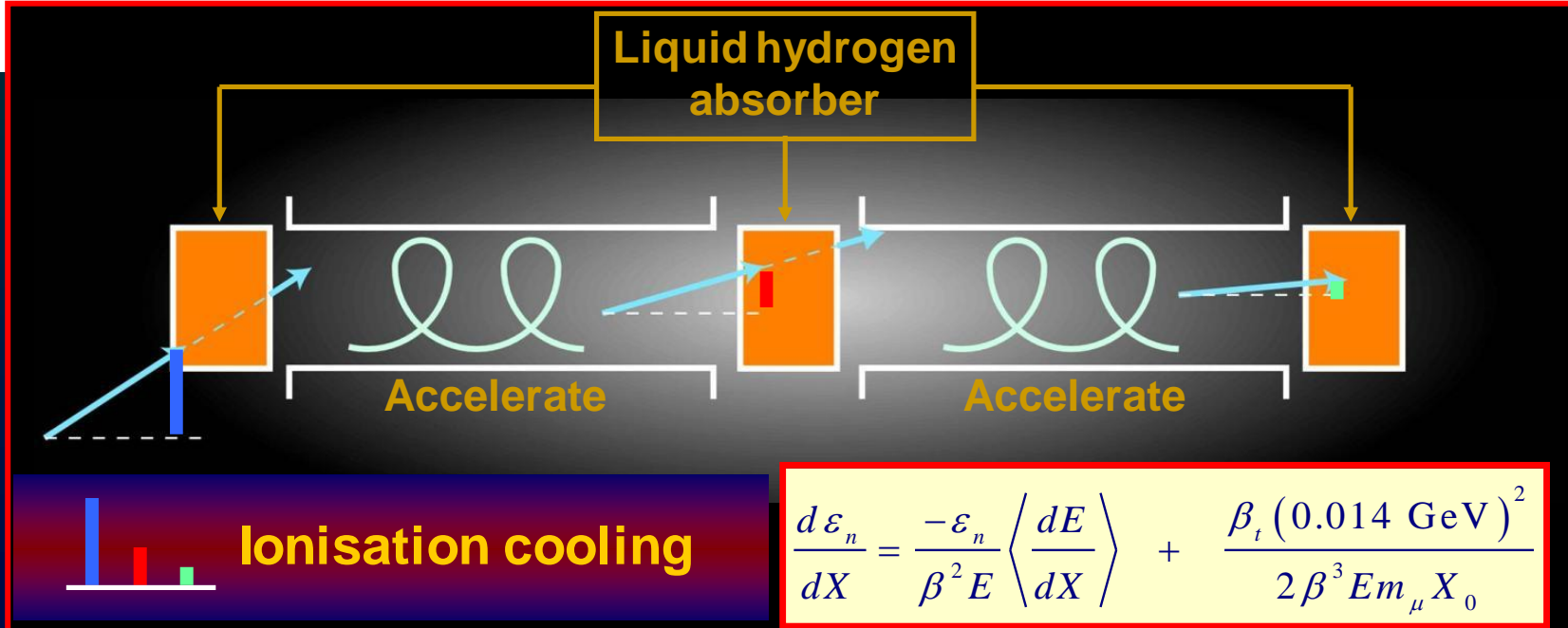
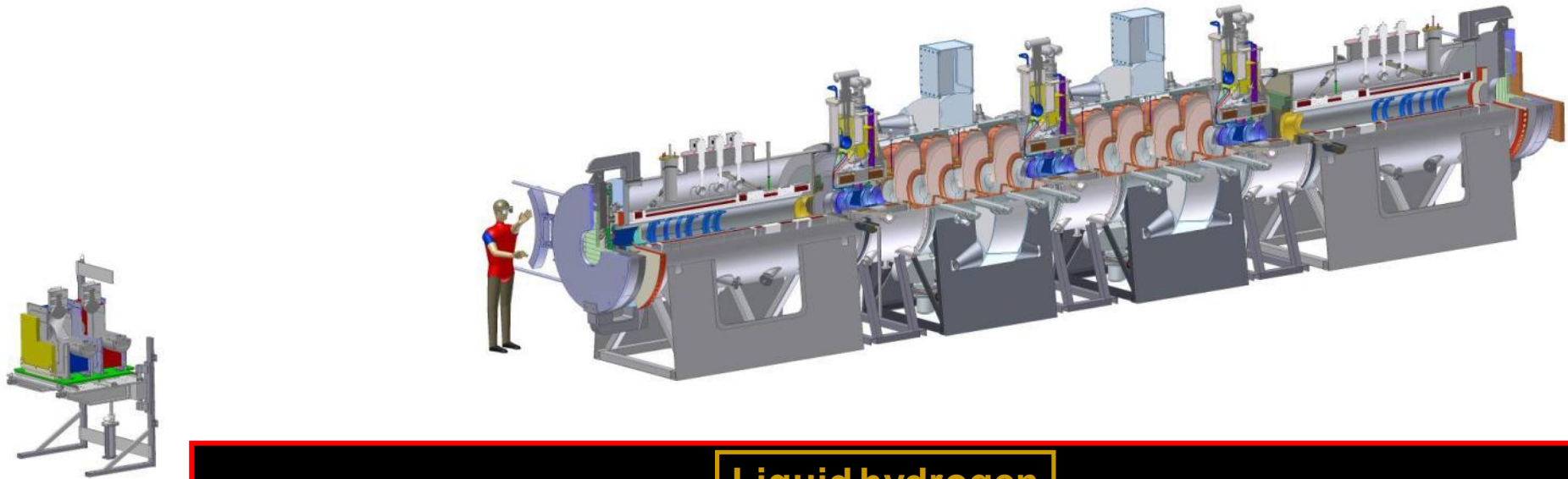
IPAC10: WEPE050, WEPE051,
WEPE068, WEPE074, WEPE076



Key R&D:

- Ionisation cooling:
 - MICE; proof of principle
- RF in magnetic field:
 - MuCool: see G.Hanson's talk

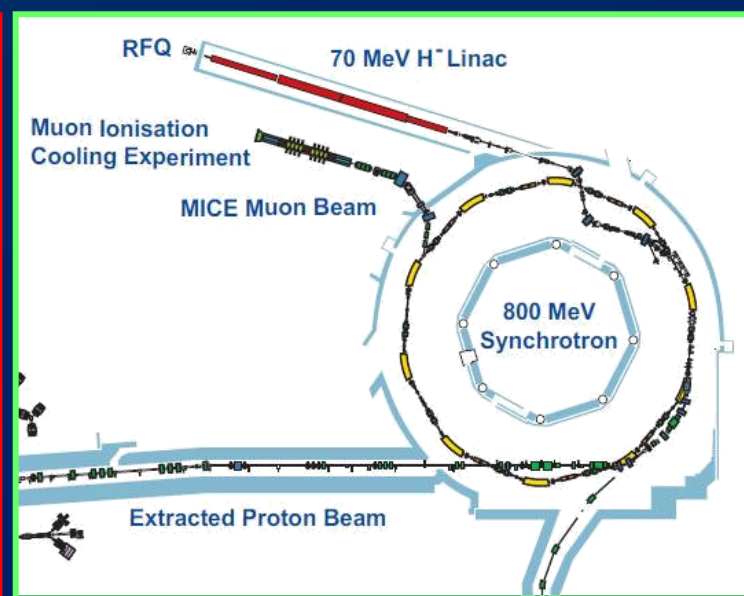
Muon ionisation cooling experiment



$$\frac{d\varepsilon_n}{dX} = \frac{-\varepsilon_n}{\beta^2 E} \left\langle \frac{dE}{dX} \right\rangle + \frac{\beta_t (0.014 \text{ GeV})^2}{2\beta^3 E m_\mu X_0}$$

- **MICE: proof of principle:**

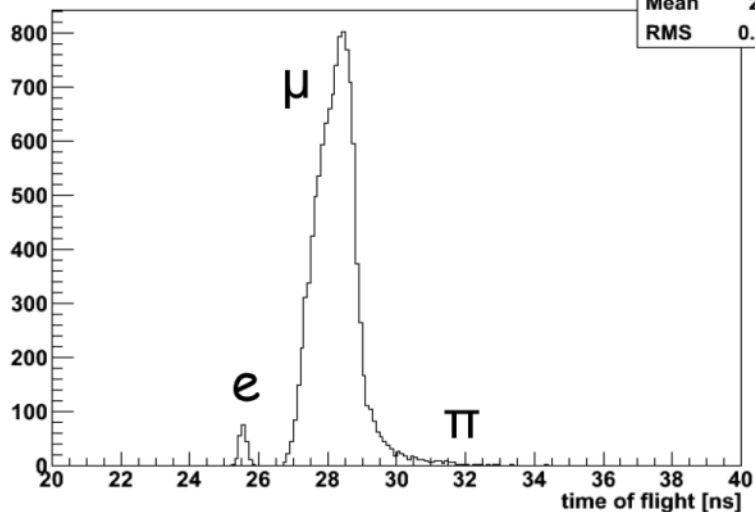
- Design, build, commission and operate a realistic section of cooling channel
- Measure its performance in a variety of modes of operation and beam conditions
 - Results will allow Neutrino Factory complex to be optimised



Running for first Step well underway!

See Y.Karadzhev, V.Verguilov, and M.Bonesini posters for details

TOF0 → TOF1



Muon acceleration:

Rapid acceleration!

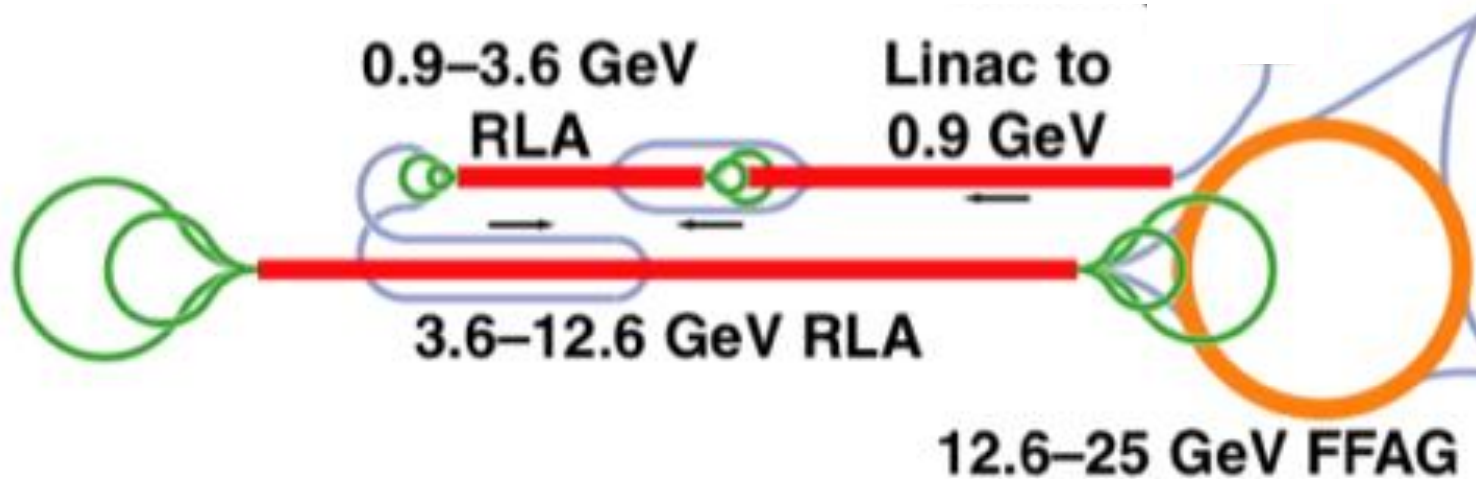
	E_{fin} (GeV)	Comment
Pre-accel. Linac	0.9	Change in γ
RLA I	3.6	Switch-yard congestion
RLA II	12.6	Switch-yard congestion
FFAG	25.0	Large acceptance, use of RF

- **Linac/RLAs:**

- **Superconducting linac:**
 - Large acceptance;
 - Rapidly increase γ to increase effective lifetime
- **Recirculating linacs (RLAs):**
 - Continue rapid acceleration
 - More cost-effective use of RF

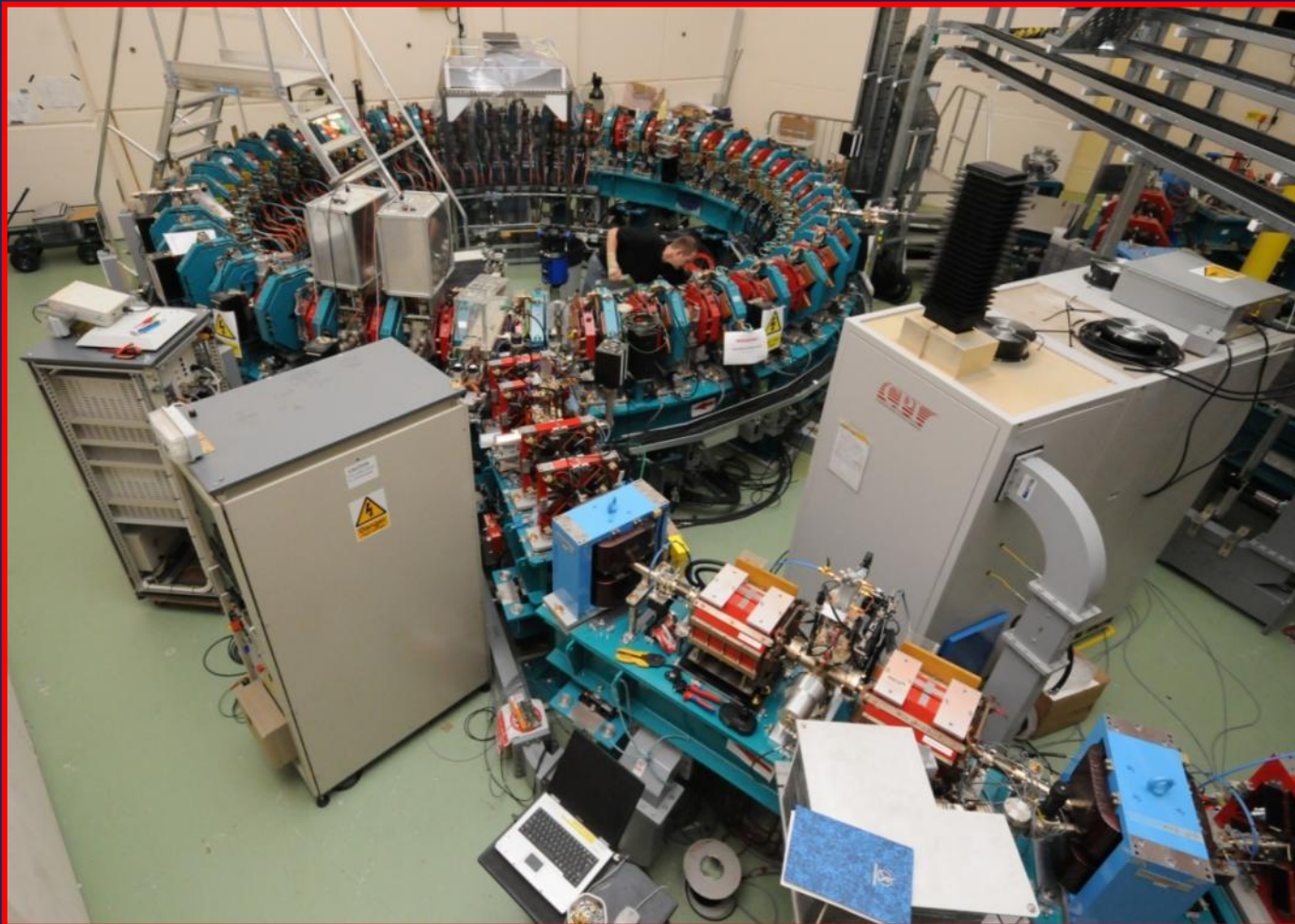
- **Fixed Field Alternating Gradient (FFAG) accelerator:**

- **Large aperture magnets with fixed field:**
 - Continued rapid acceleration
 - Improved cost-efficiency in use of RF
- **Injection/extraction challenging:**
 - Development of appropriate schemes in progress



Muon acceleration: proof of principal:

- EMMA; almost complete at Daresbury Lab.
 - Electron Model of Muon Acceleration
 - Aka:
 - Electron Model of Many Applications



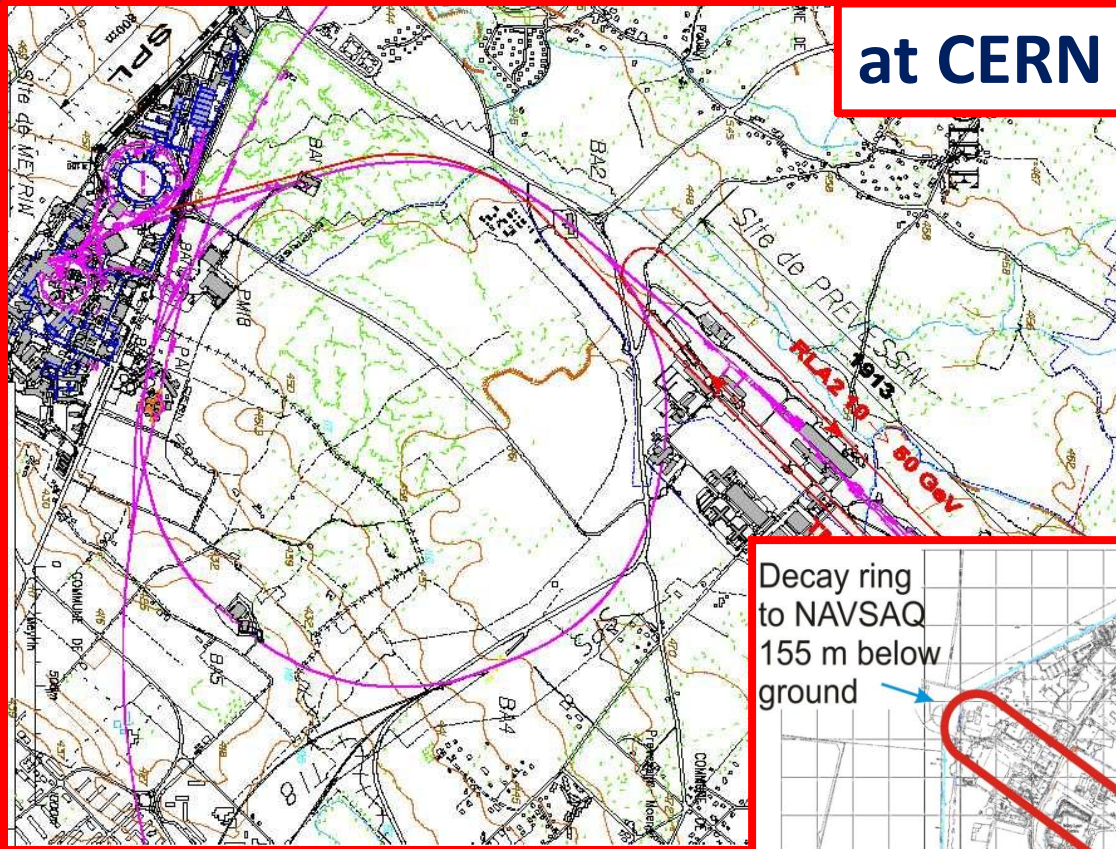
- Installation complete;
- Commissioning of injector system and of associated diagnostics and EMMA ring has started!

Neutrino Factory:

Opportunity and conclusions:

Neutrino Factory: footprint:

at CERN



Decay ring to NAVSAQ
155 m below ground

Decay ring to INO
440 m below ground

RLA1
muon linac
RLA2

bunching
phase rotation
cooling

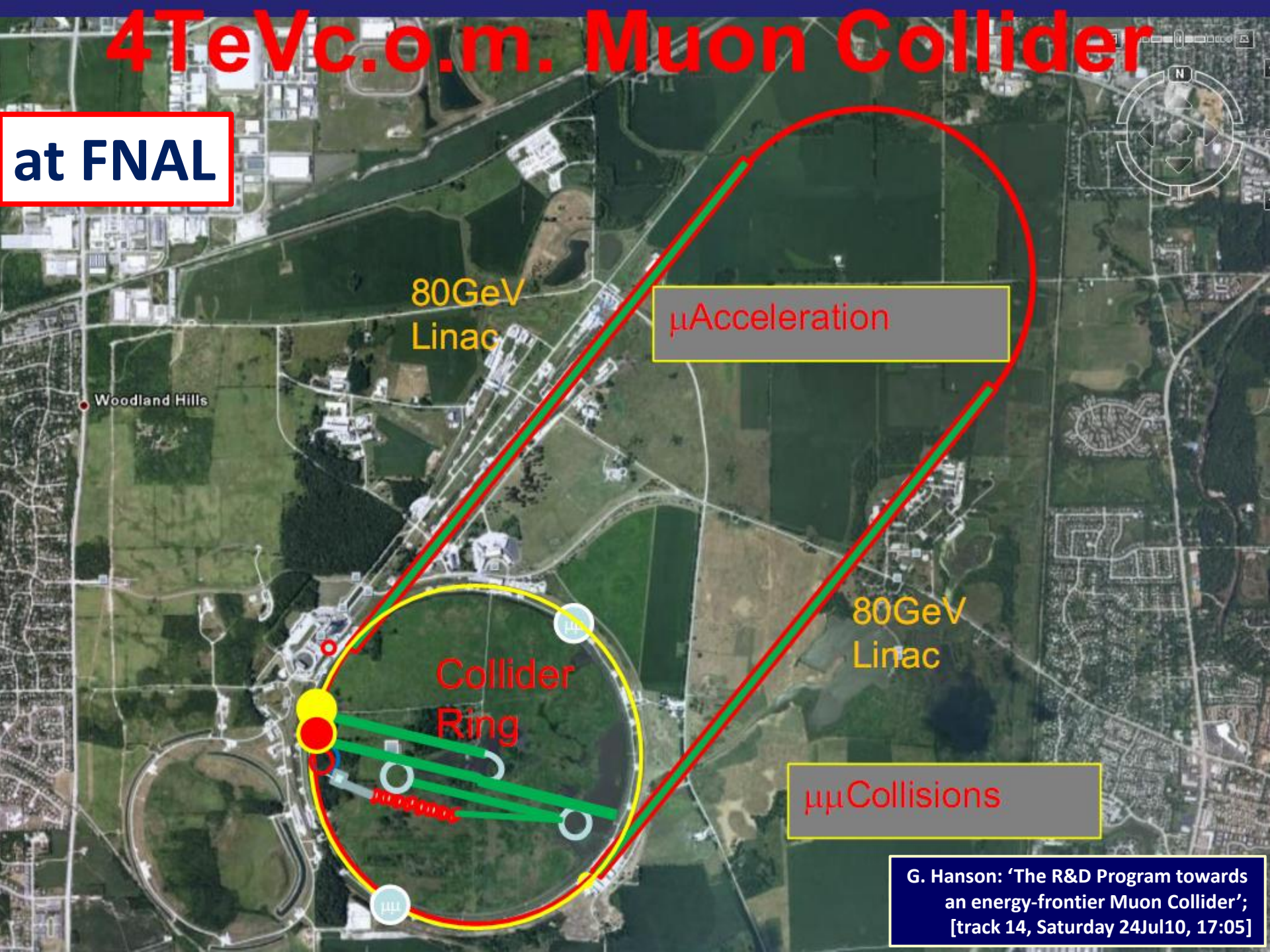
6-10 GeV
proton RCS

ISIS upgrade
Phase 1
Phase 2

at RAL

4TeV c.o.m. Muon Collider

at FNAL



G. Hanson: 'The R&D Program towards an energy-frontier Muon Collider'; [track 14, Saturday 24Jul10, 17:05]

Neutrino Factory roadmap

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MICE

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EMMA

Detector and diagnostic systems development

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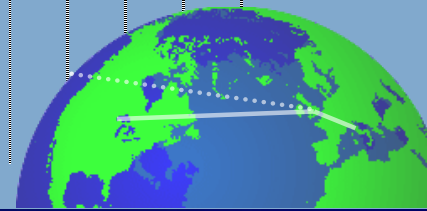
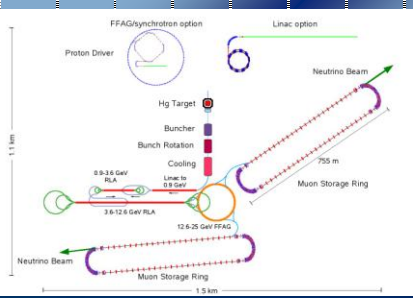
International Design Study

Neutrino Factory project

Physics

◆ Interim Design Report

◆ Reference Design Report



Conclusions:

- The Neutrino Factory, the 'facility of choice':
 - Best discovery reach
 - Best precision:
 - But need to define agreed figure of merit
 - Best sensitivity to non-standard interactions
- The IDS-NF baseline established and, so far, robust
 - Alternatives to the baseline, addressing particular issues (e.g., Low Energy Neutrino Factory), are under discussion
- The IDS-NF collaboration:
 - Energetic and ambitious, working towards IDR 2010/11 and RDR 2012/13:
 - EUROnu: encompasses and coordinates European contributions
- Scientific imperative:
 - Make the Neutrino Factory an option for the field!