

Recent results from **KM3NeT** neutrino telescopes



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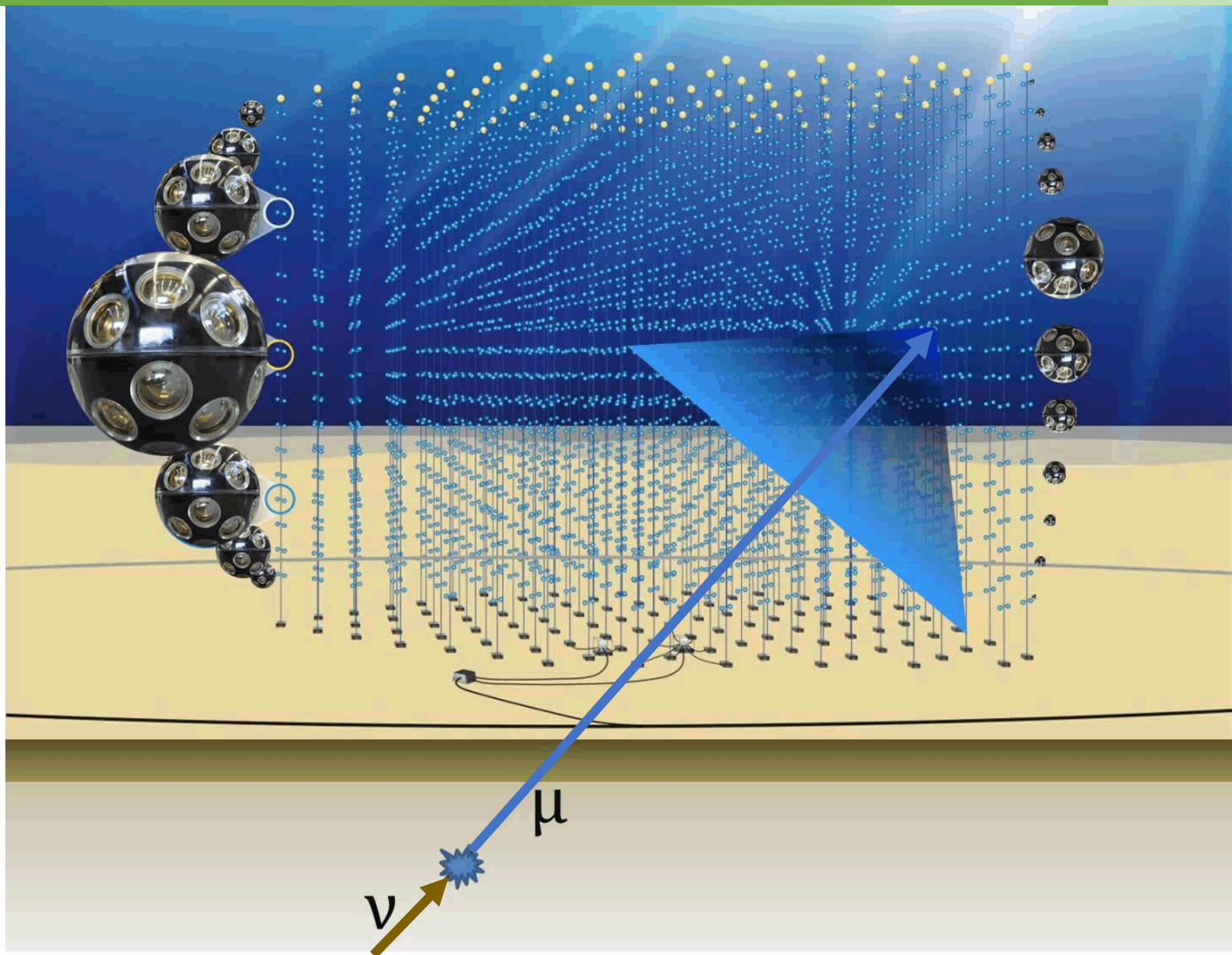
How it works in a nutshell:

1 ν_μ interacts $\rightarrow \mu^\pm$ is produced
(background: atm. μ !)

2 μ^\pm is charged \rightarrow polarizes
water molecules

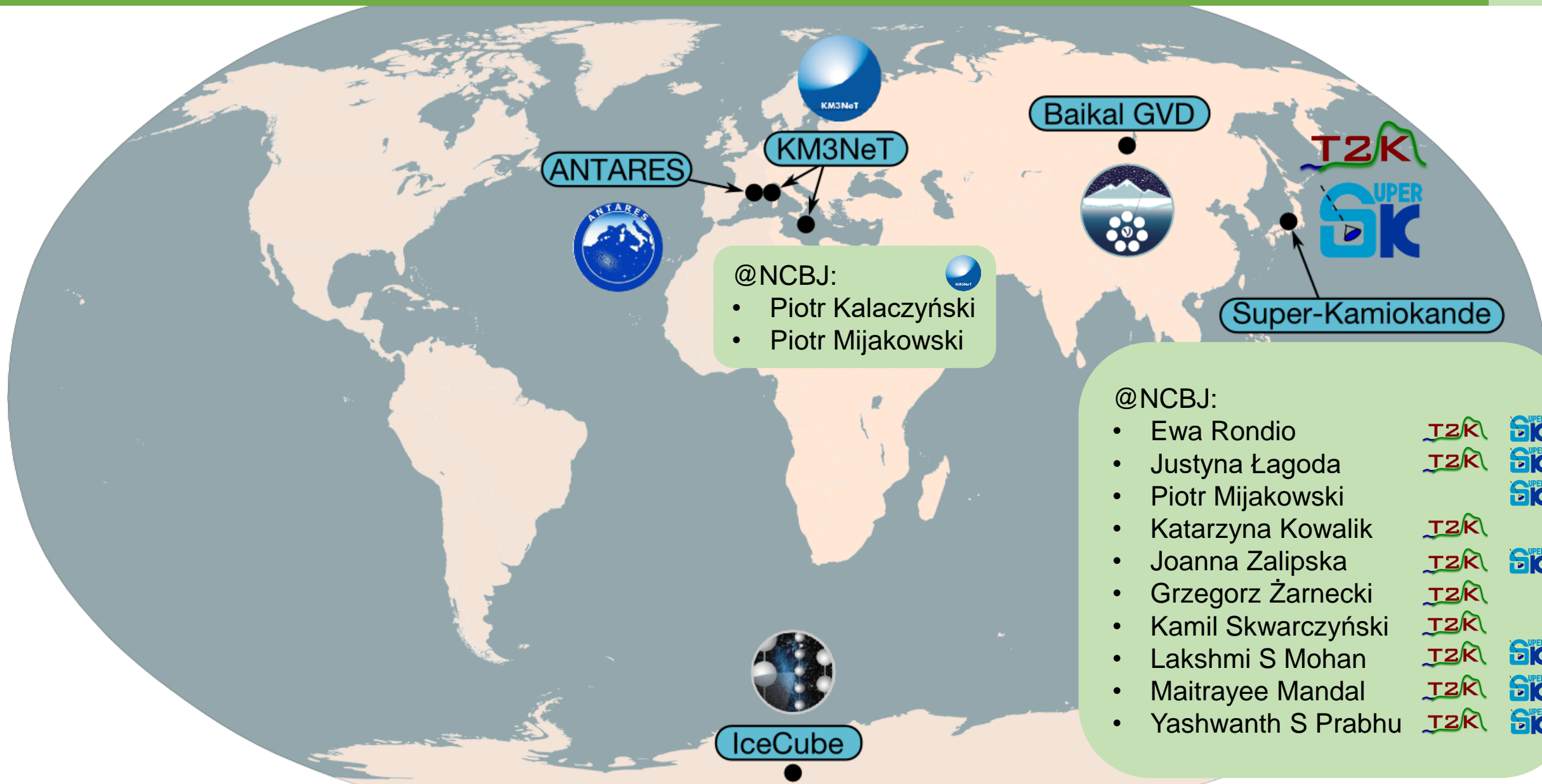
3 water molecules return to
ground state and re-emit light
(Cherenkov radiation)


we detect it



Water Cherenkov ν telescopes



















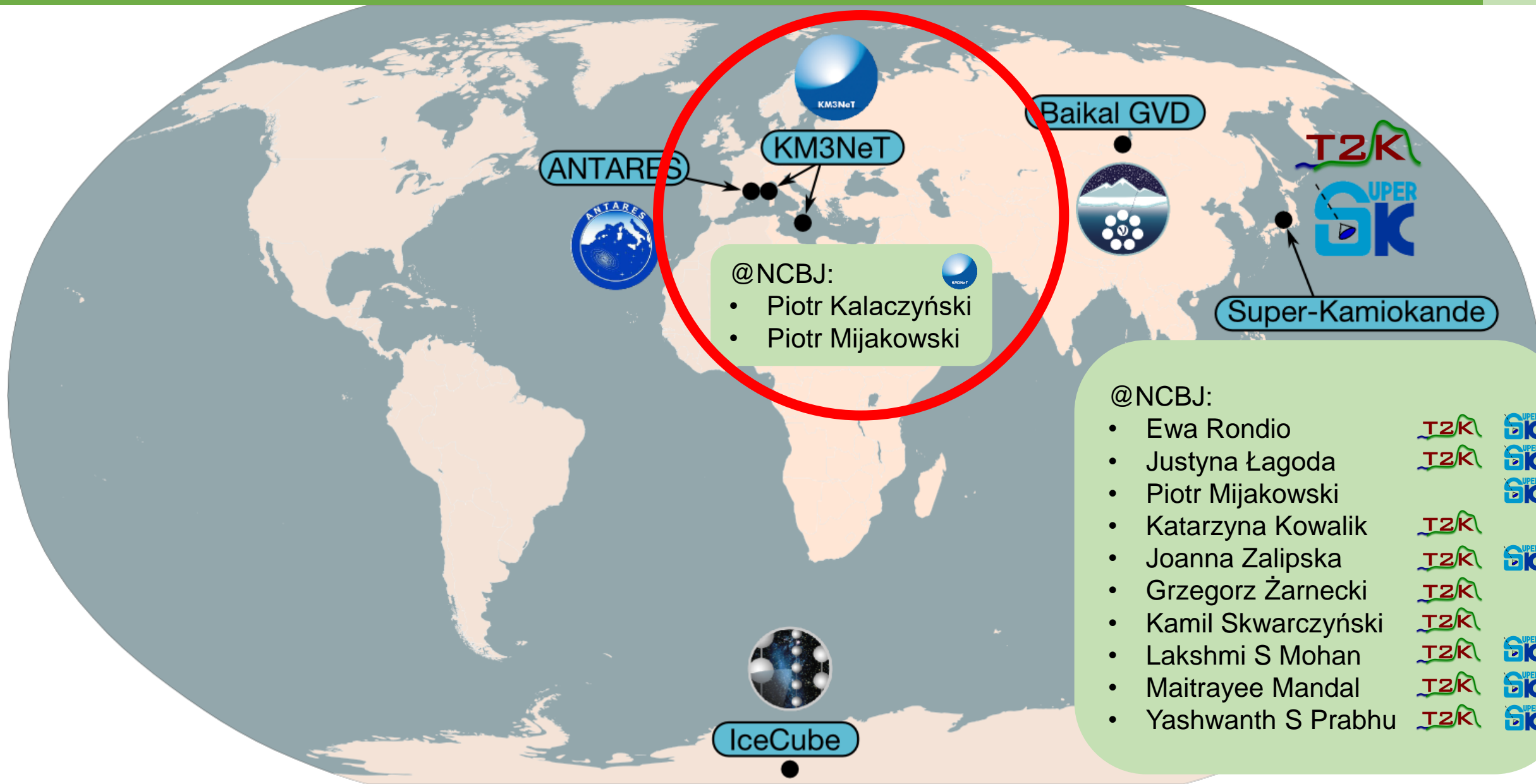
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The KM3NeT Collaboration



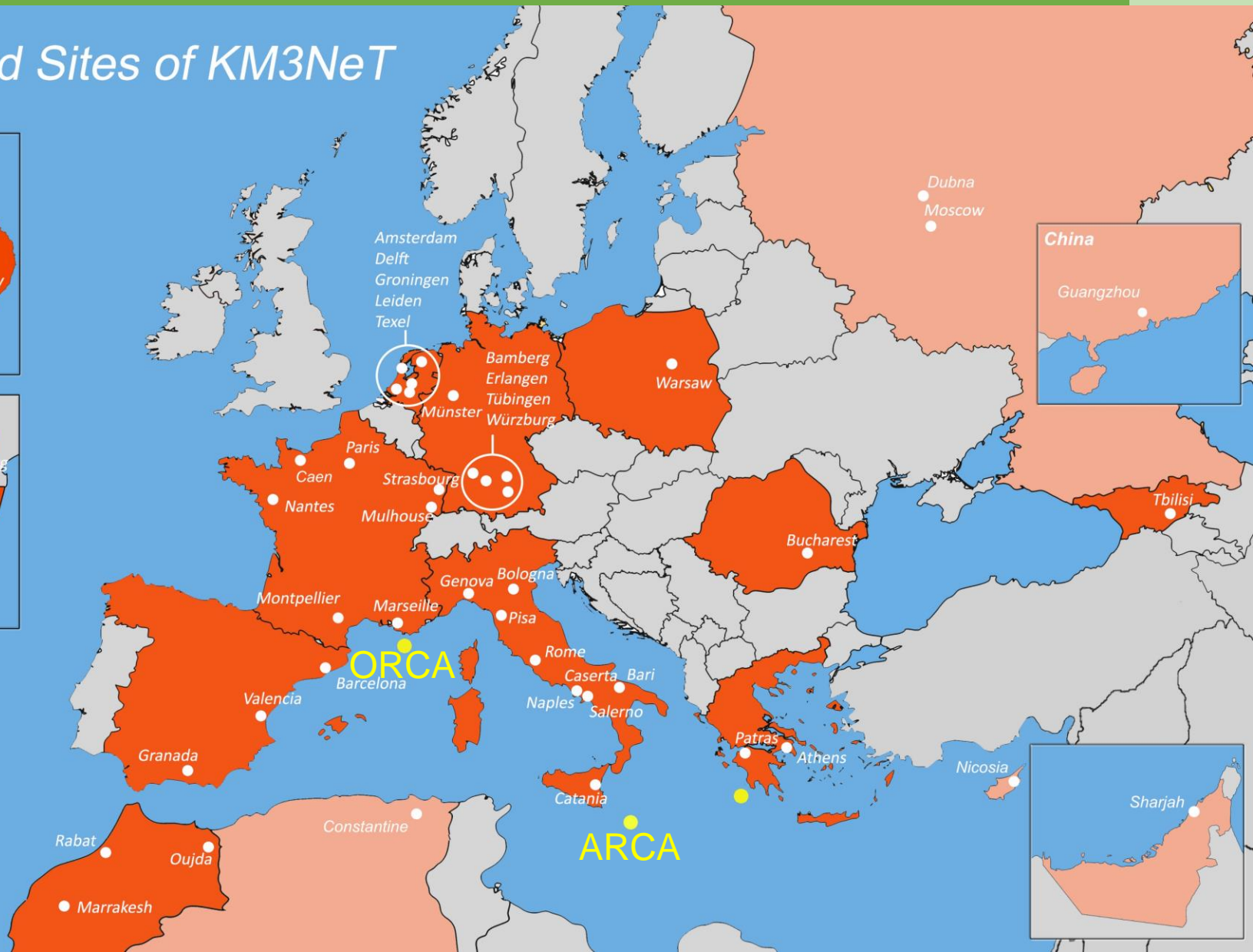
Numbers:

- 57 groups
- 17 countries
- 4 continents

Legend:

- group
- observer
- member

Cities and Sites of KM3NeT



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Digital Optical Module (DOM)

acrylic glass sphere with:

- 31 3" PMTs,
- readout electronics,
- pressure gauge,
- acoustic sensors,
- ...

Photomultiplier Tube (PMT):

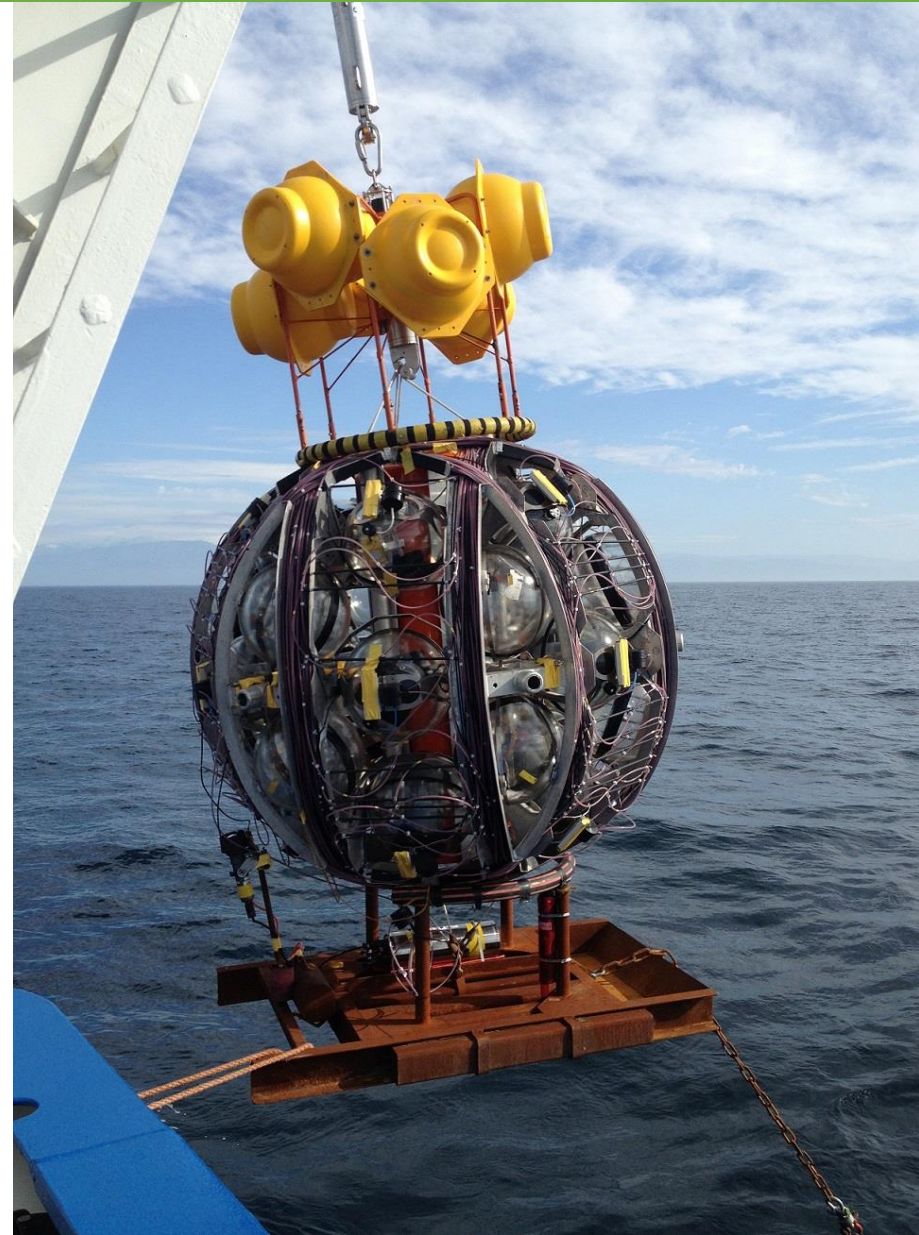
converts light into electric signal



Detection Unit (DU):
vertical string with 18 DOMs

Naming:

- ORCA6 ↔ ORCA with 6 DUs
- ARCA2 ↔ ARCA with 2 DUs
- etc.



Detector design summary

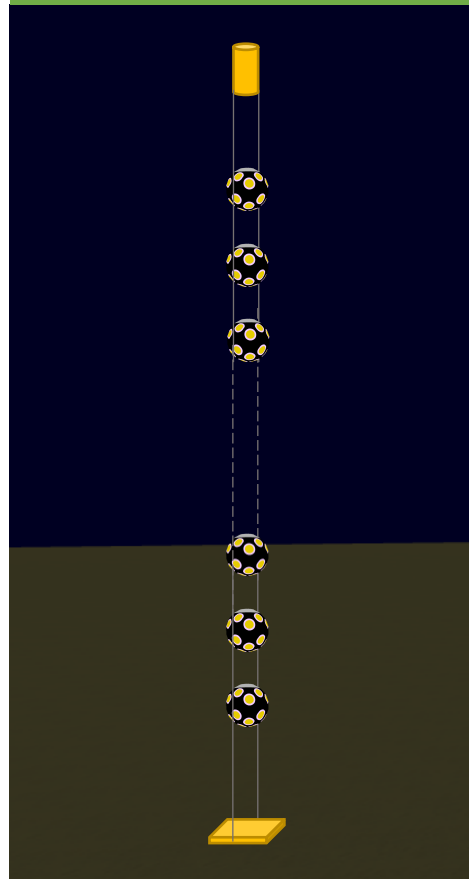
DOM:
71 unique components



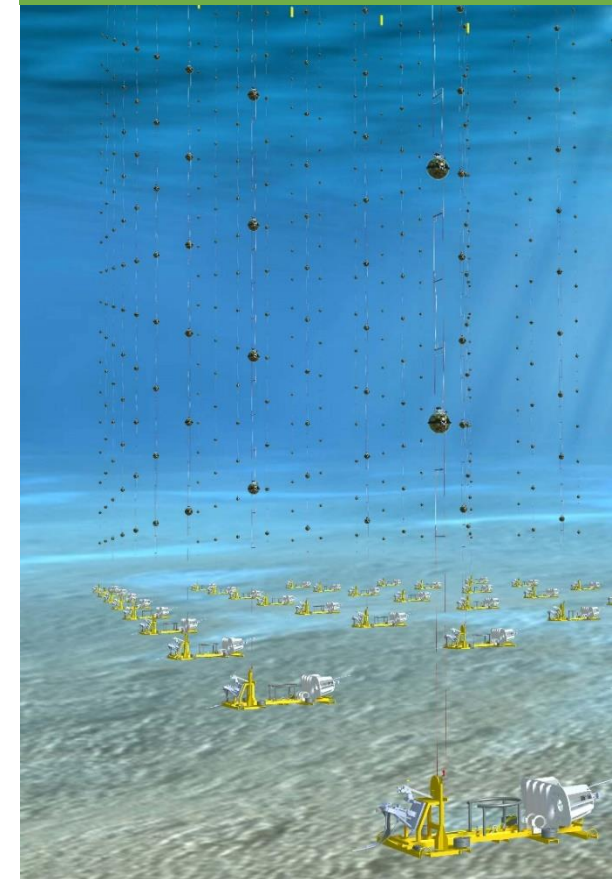
1 DOM:
31 PMTs



1 string (DU):
18 DOMs



1 building block:
115 DUs



[DOM production:](#)
(@Nikhef)

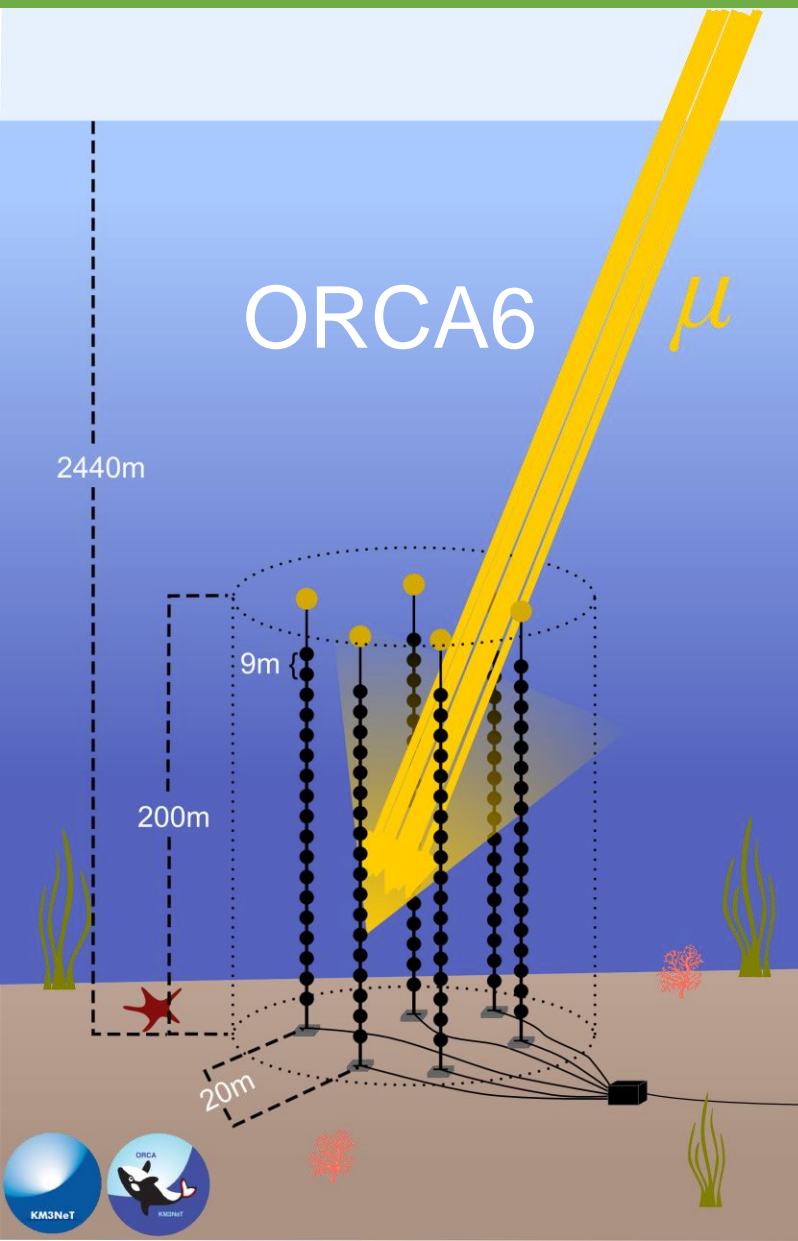


[Preparation for deployment:](#)



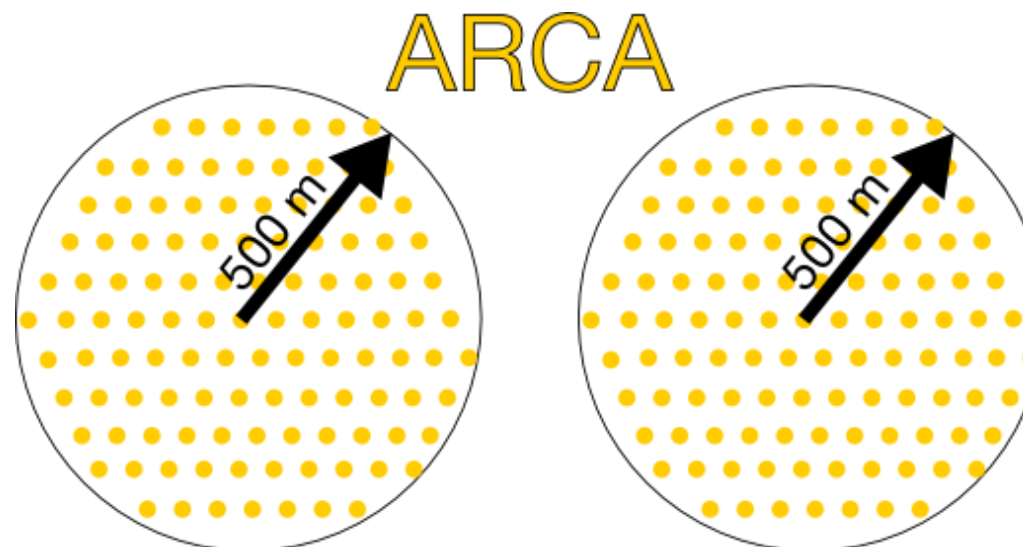
[ORCA string deployment:](#)





| Detector | ARCA | ORCA |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Depth | 3.5 km | 2.5 km |
| Volume | 1 km ³ (1Gton) | 0.007 km ³ (7Mton) |
| # strings | 8 / 2x115 | 10 / 115 |
| Topic | Astroparticle RCA* | Oscillation RCA* |
| Goal | ν_{astro} | m_ν hierarchy |

*RCA : Research with Cosmics in the Abyss



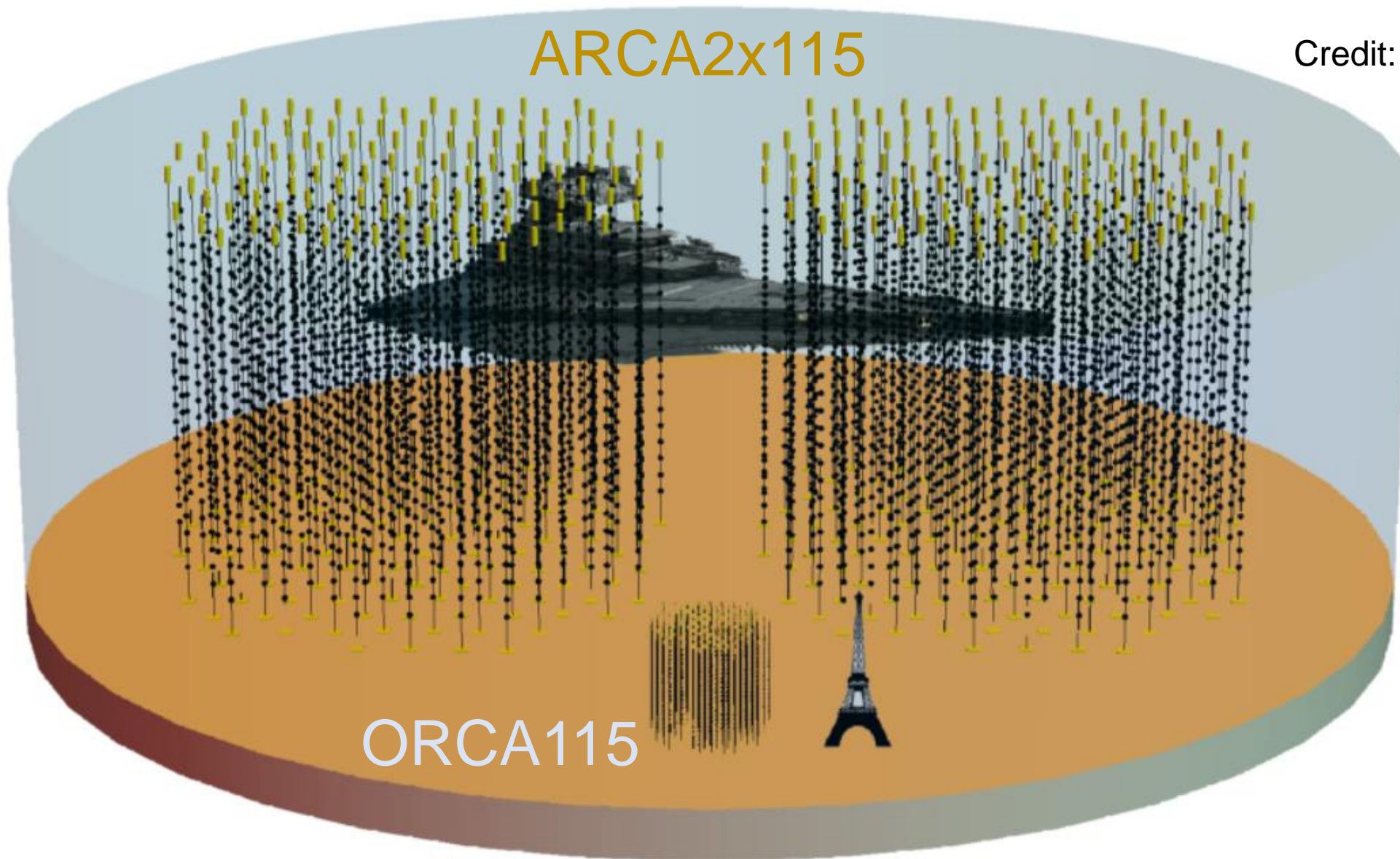
ORCA



Detector size comparison

ARCA2x115

Credit: Joao Coelho



ORCA115

YES, the imperial star destroyer IS up to scale!



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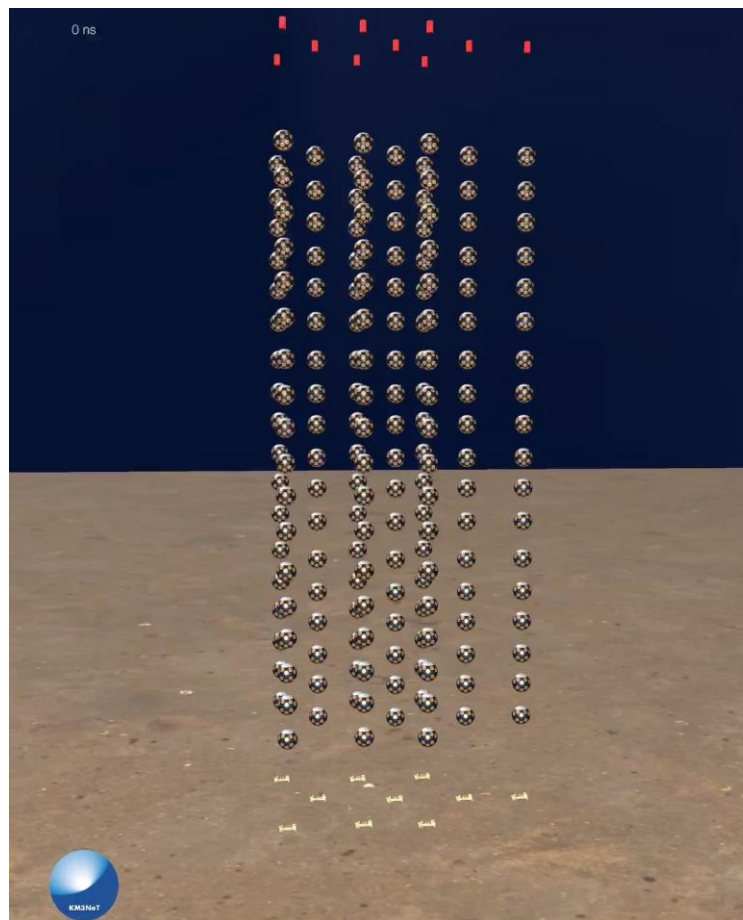
ARCA8

- First strings: 2015
- Sep 2021: +2 \Rightarrow **8 strings**
- **Next deployment: spring 2022**
- **Complete: summer 2030**



ORCA10

- First string: 2017
- Nov 2021: +4 \Rightarrow **10 strings**
- **Next deployment: winter 2022**
- **Complete: spring 2028**



Check out our celebration videos:



[Route 66](#)



[6 strings](#)
[6 months](#)



[ARCA66](#)

Measurements

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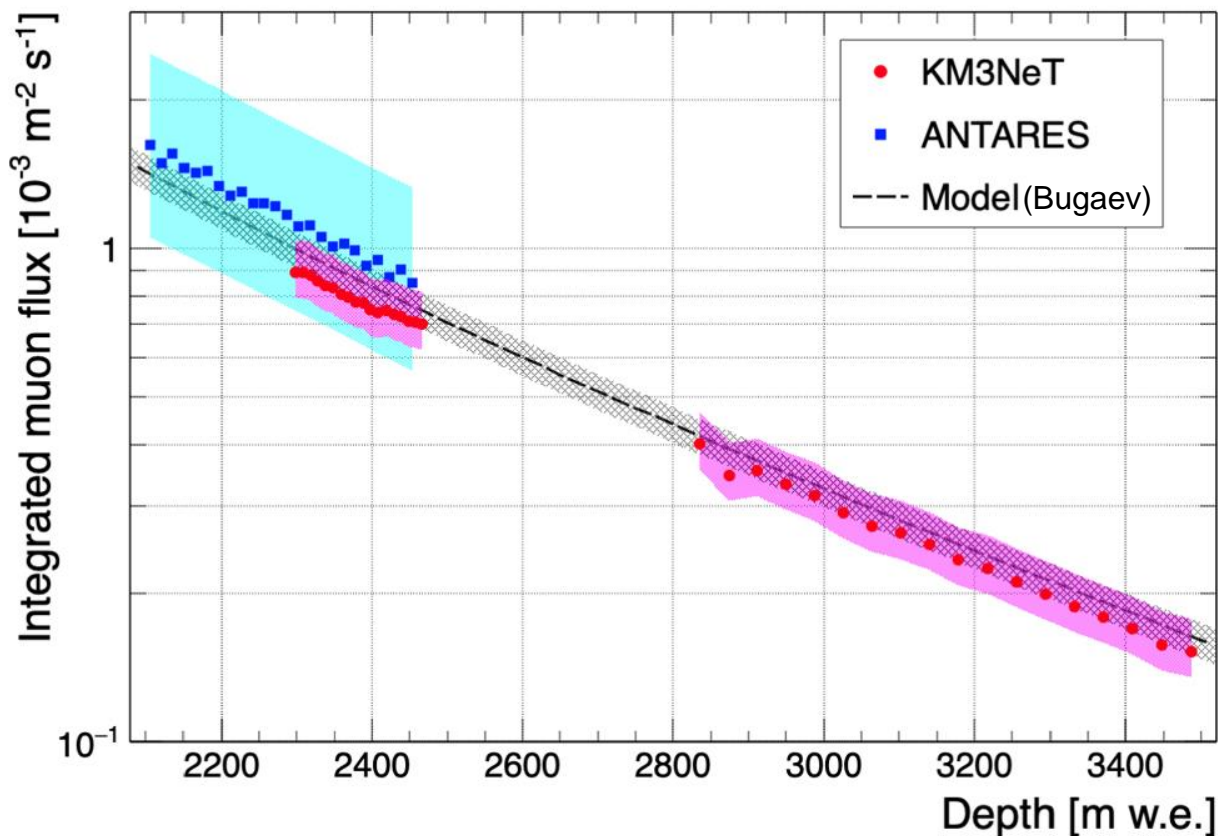
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ORCA1 & ARCA2

KM3NeT

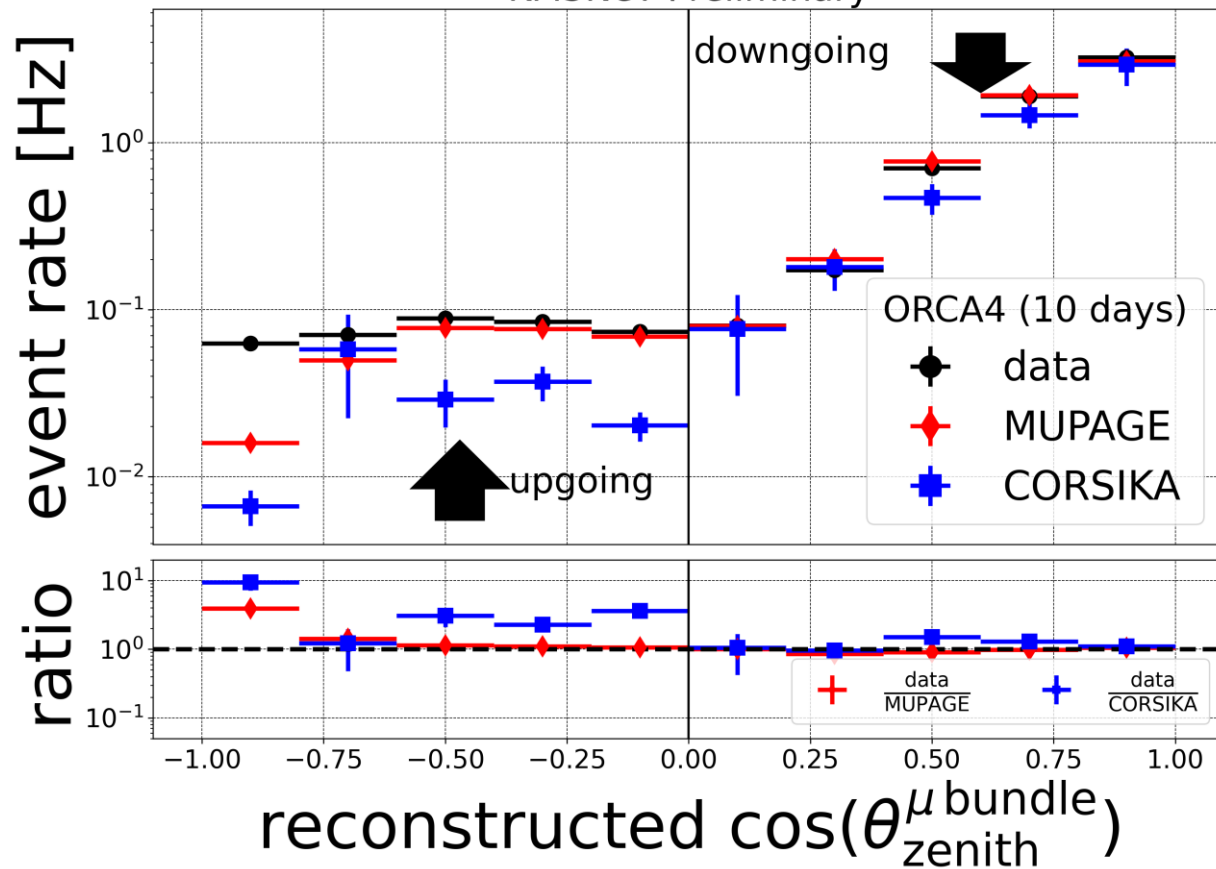


Muon flux vs depth

Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 99 (2020)

ORCA4

KM3NeT Preliminary

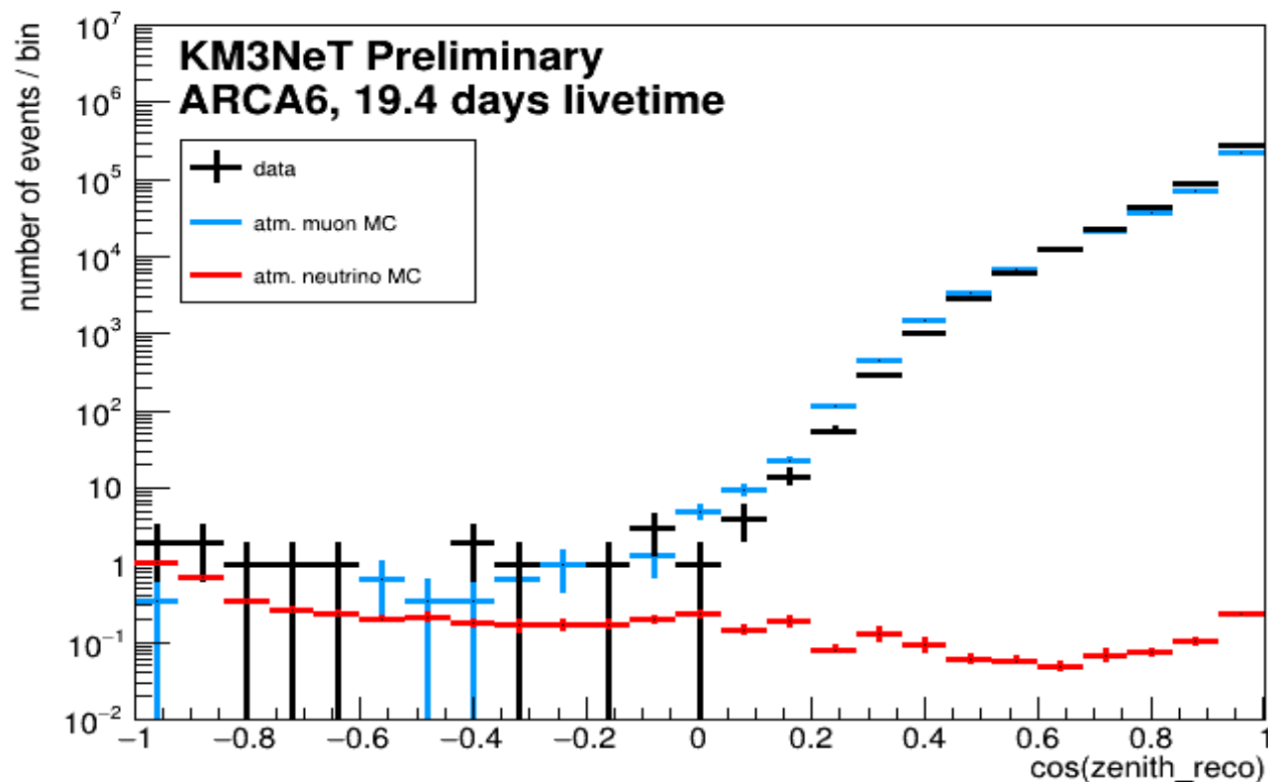


Muon rate vs zenith

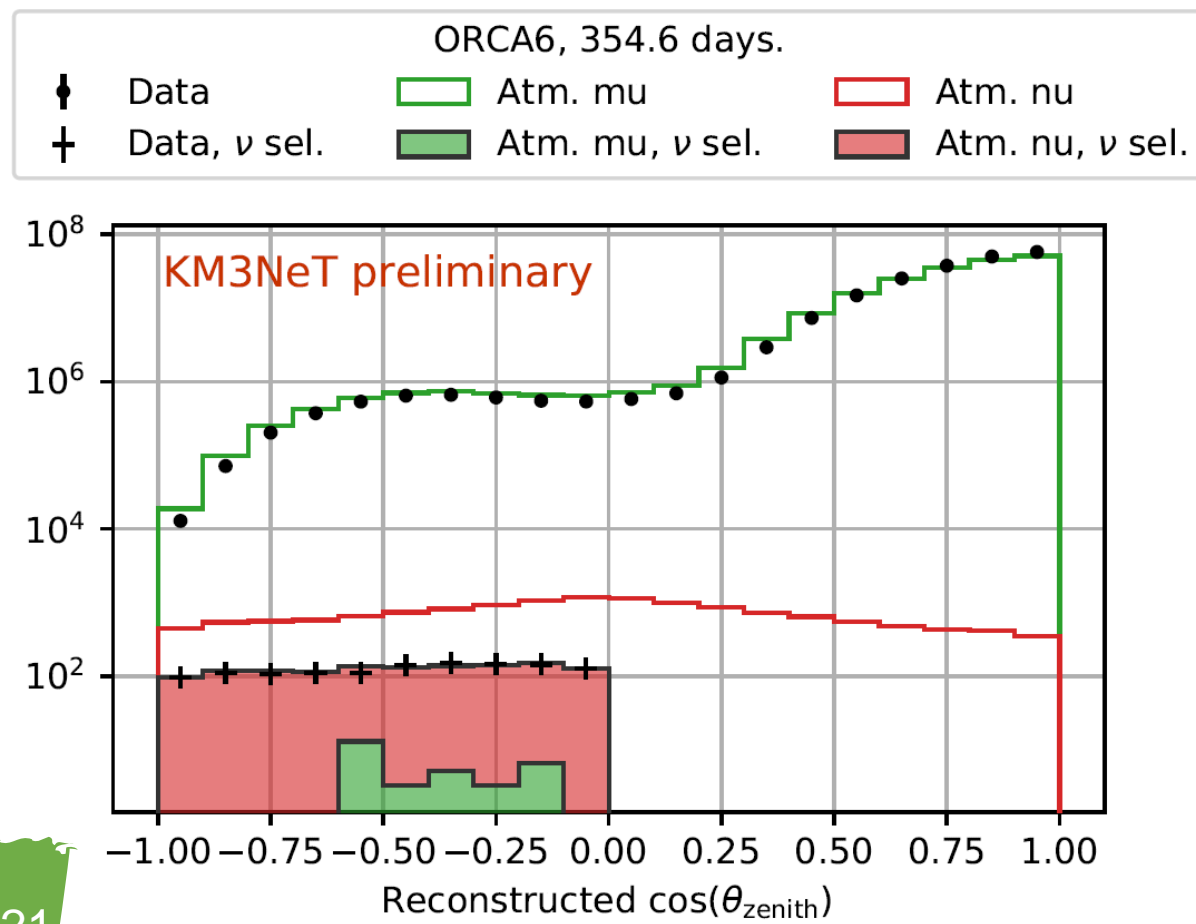
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ARCA6



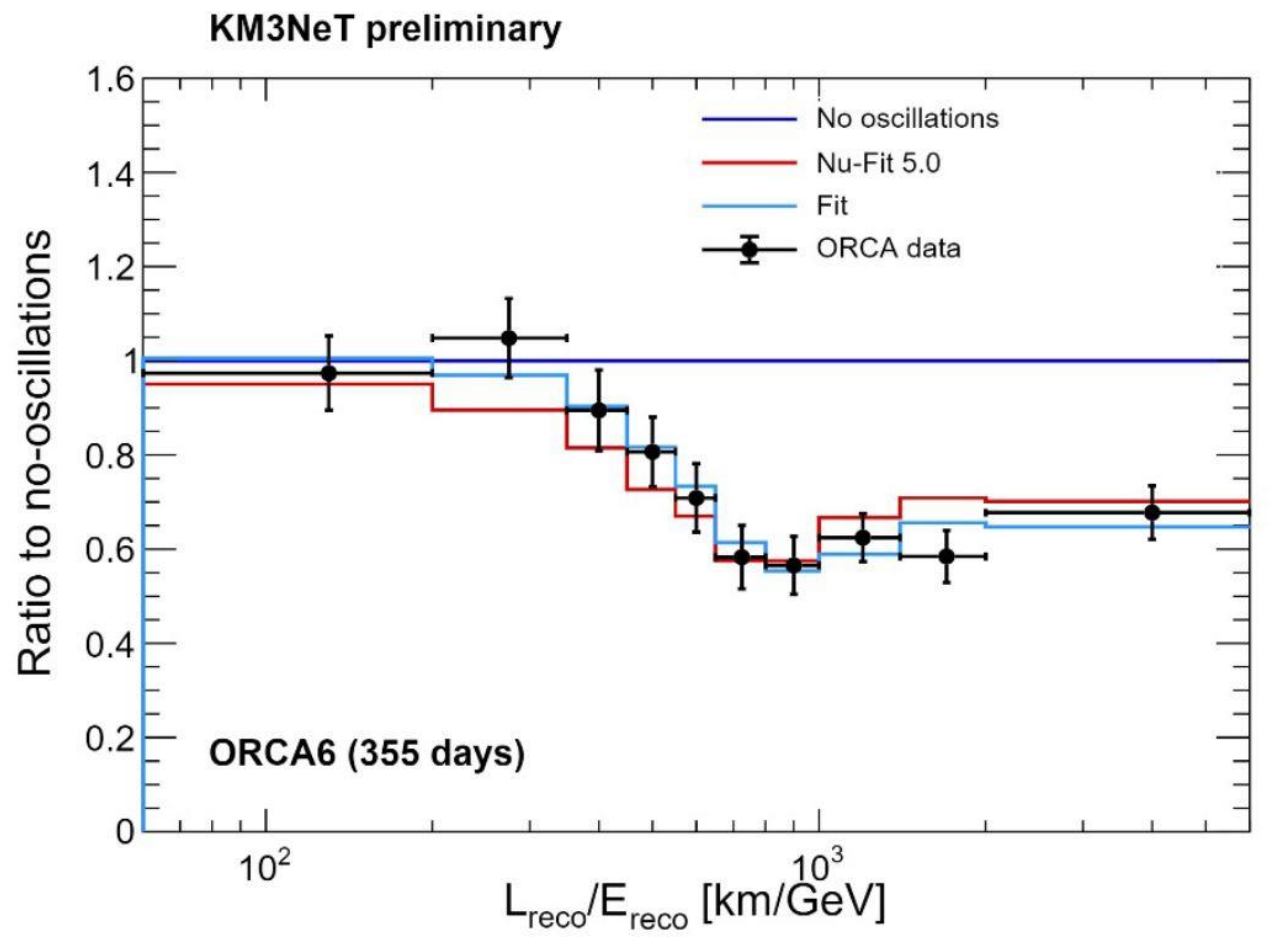
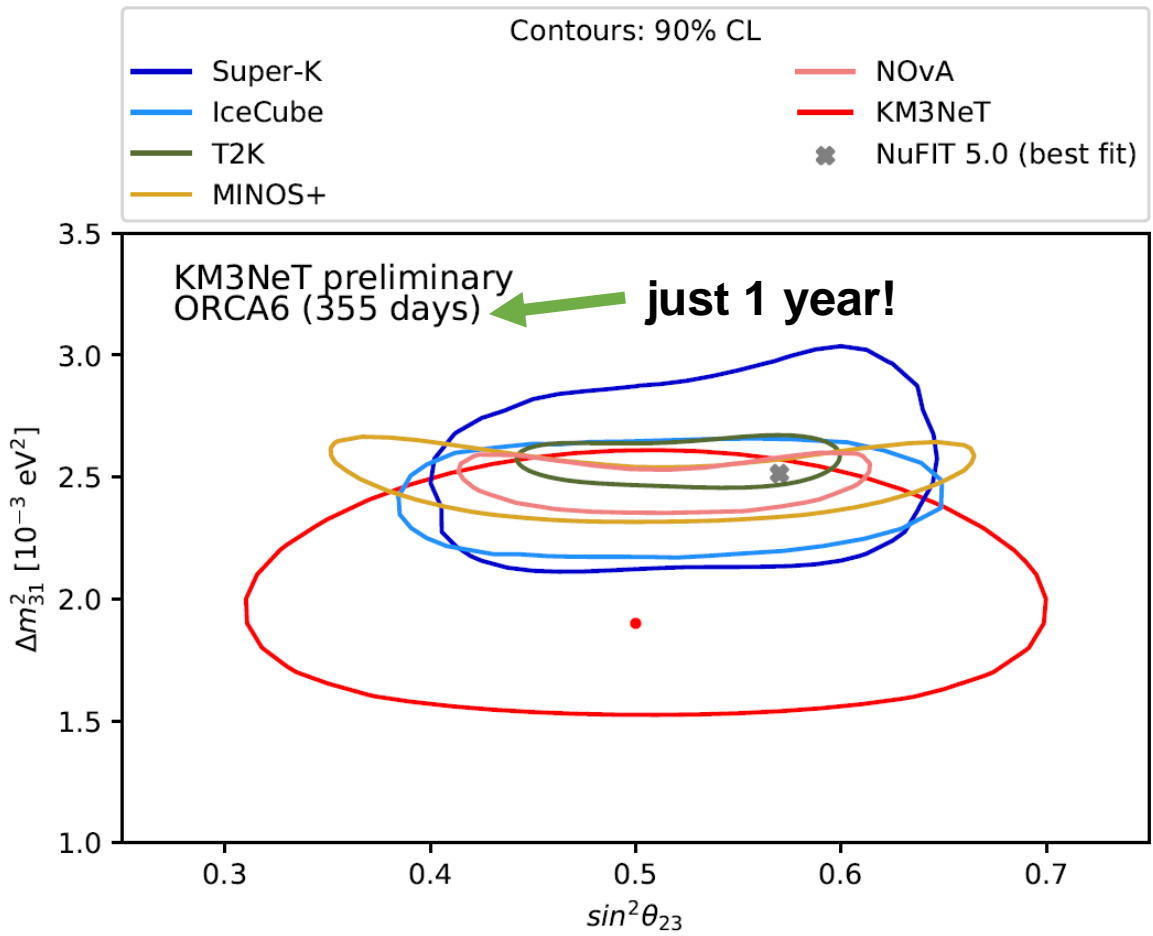
ORCA6



Atmospheric neutrino selections from ICRC2021

PoS(ICRC2021)1134 and PoS(ICRC2021)1123

ORCA6



Neutrino oscillation measurement from ICRC2021
PoS(ICRC2021)1123

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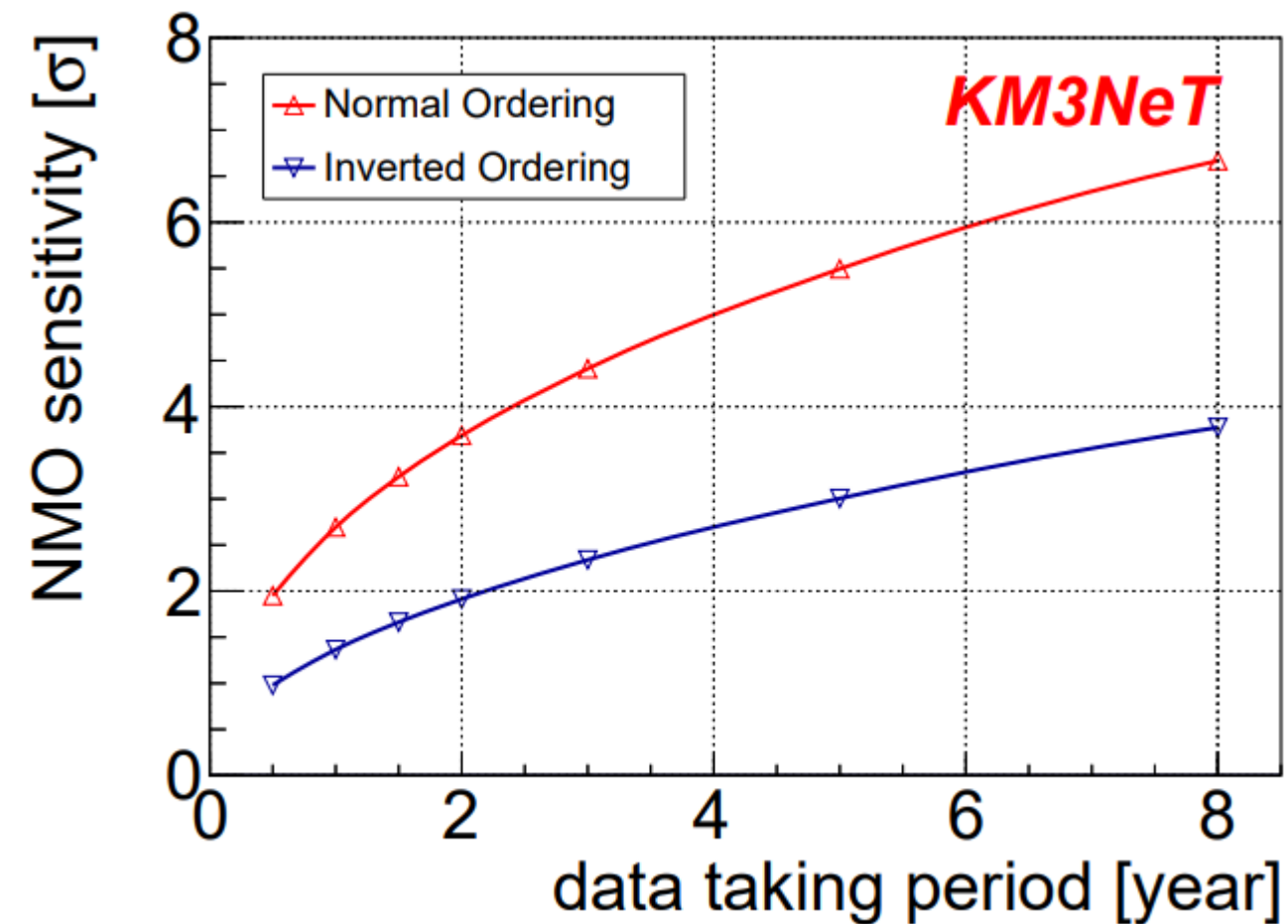
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ORCA115



Possibly world-first to determine NMO!

ORCA115 + JUNO



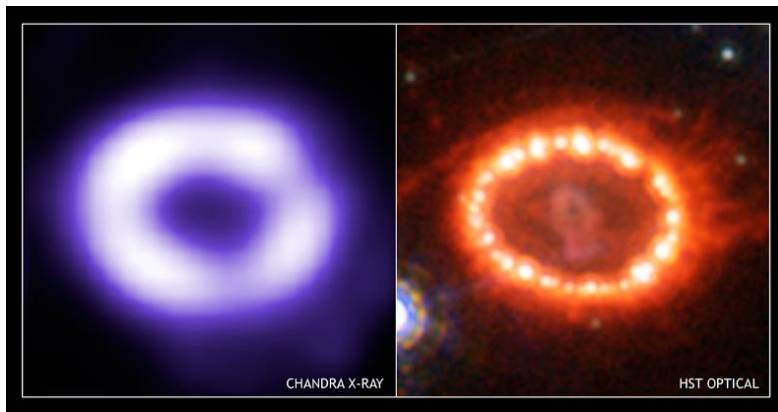
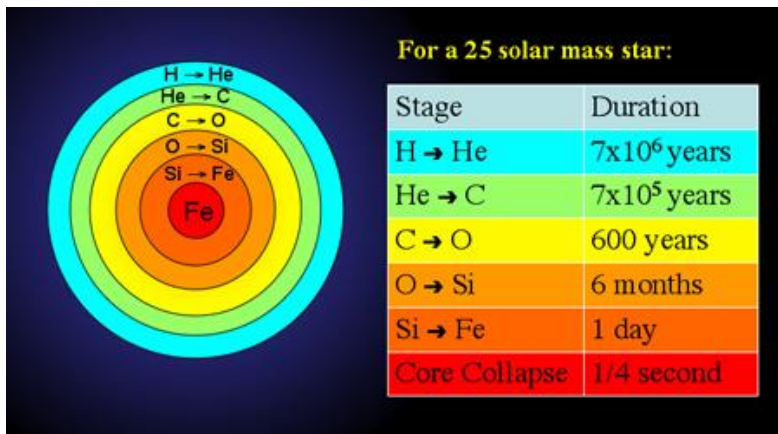
Sensitivity to NMO

arXiv:2103.09885 and JINST 16 C11007 (2021)
(accepted for EPJ-C)

Astrophysics (supernovae)

Explosion mechanism not fully understood but we know:

- 99% of $E_{\text{grav}} \rightarrow \nu$ when γ cannot escape
- CCSN* produce MeV ν 's

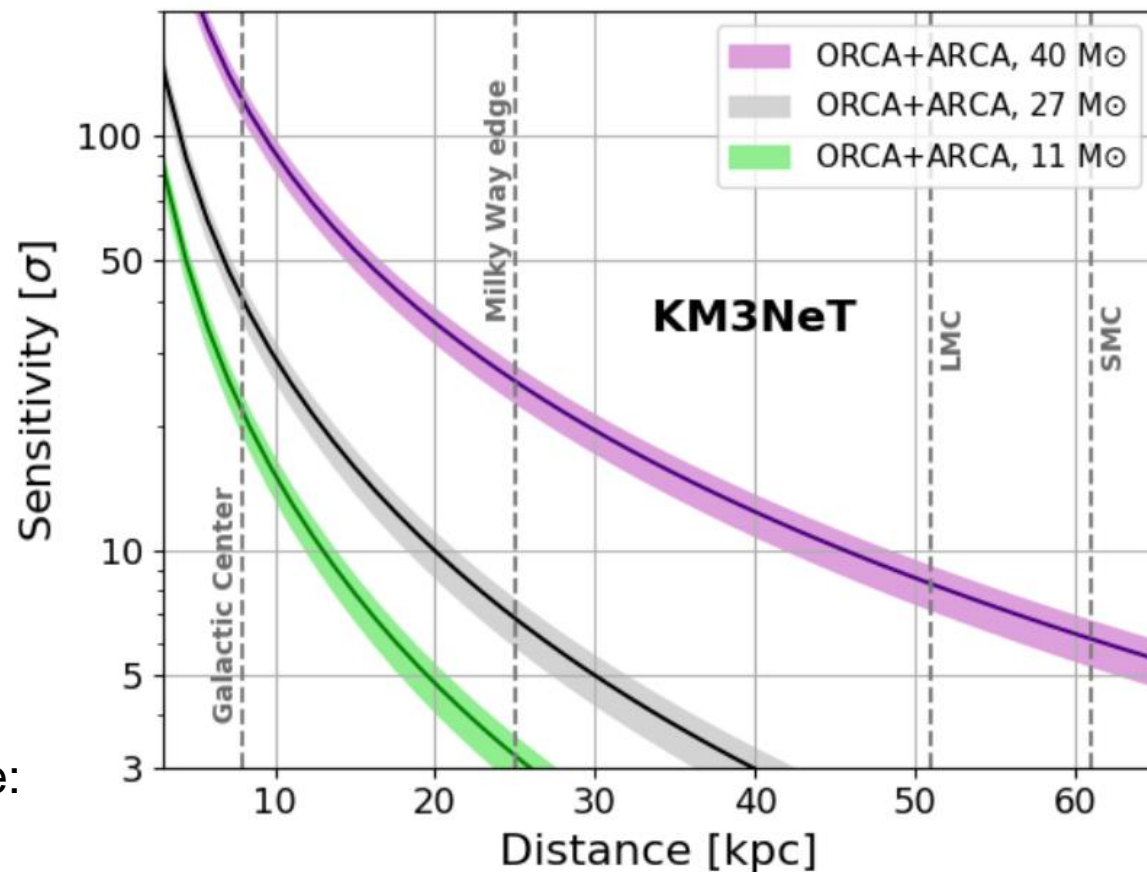


KM3NeT threshold:
few GeV

2 ways to detect SNe:

- measure the ν 's
- look at the PMT background rate

ARCA115 + ORCA115



Sensitivity to CCSN*

JINST 16 C09034 (2021)

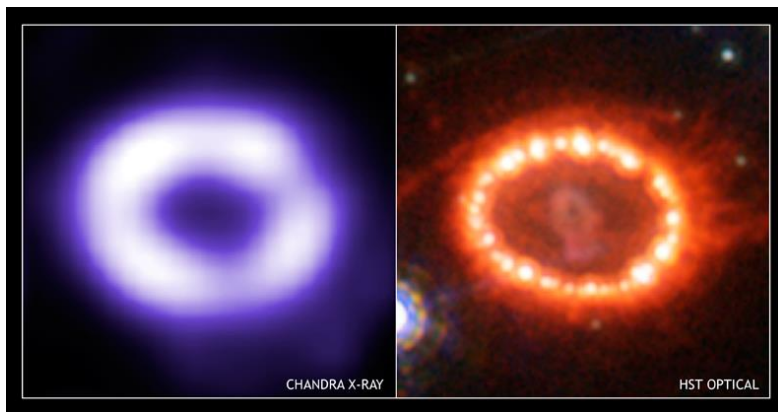
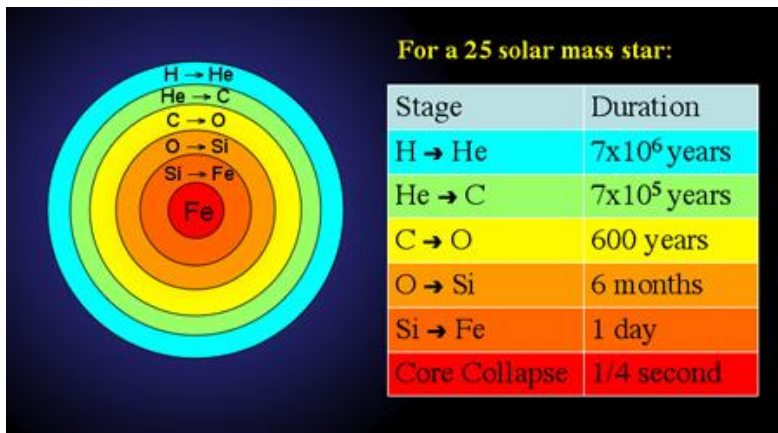
*core-collapse supernova

First and only observation: 24 ν from SN1987A

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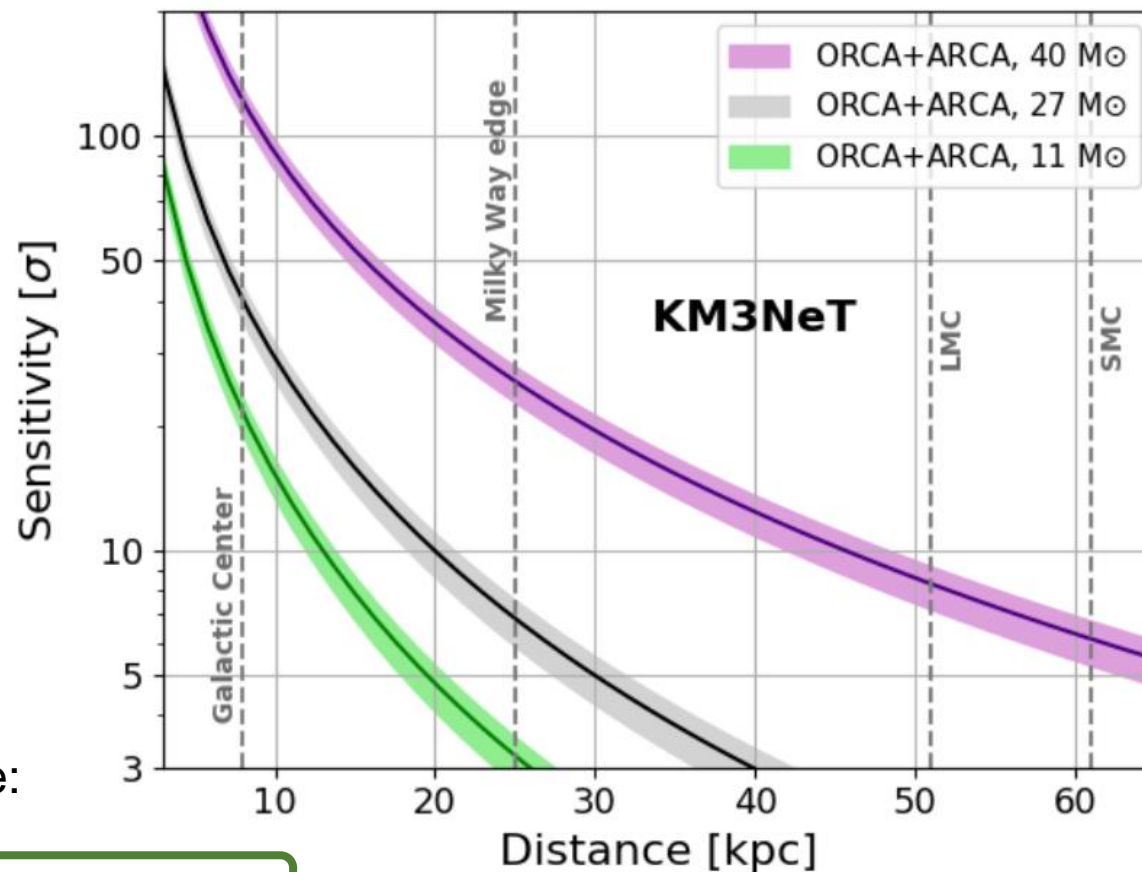


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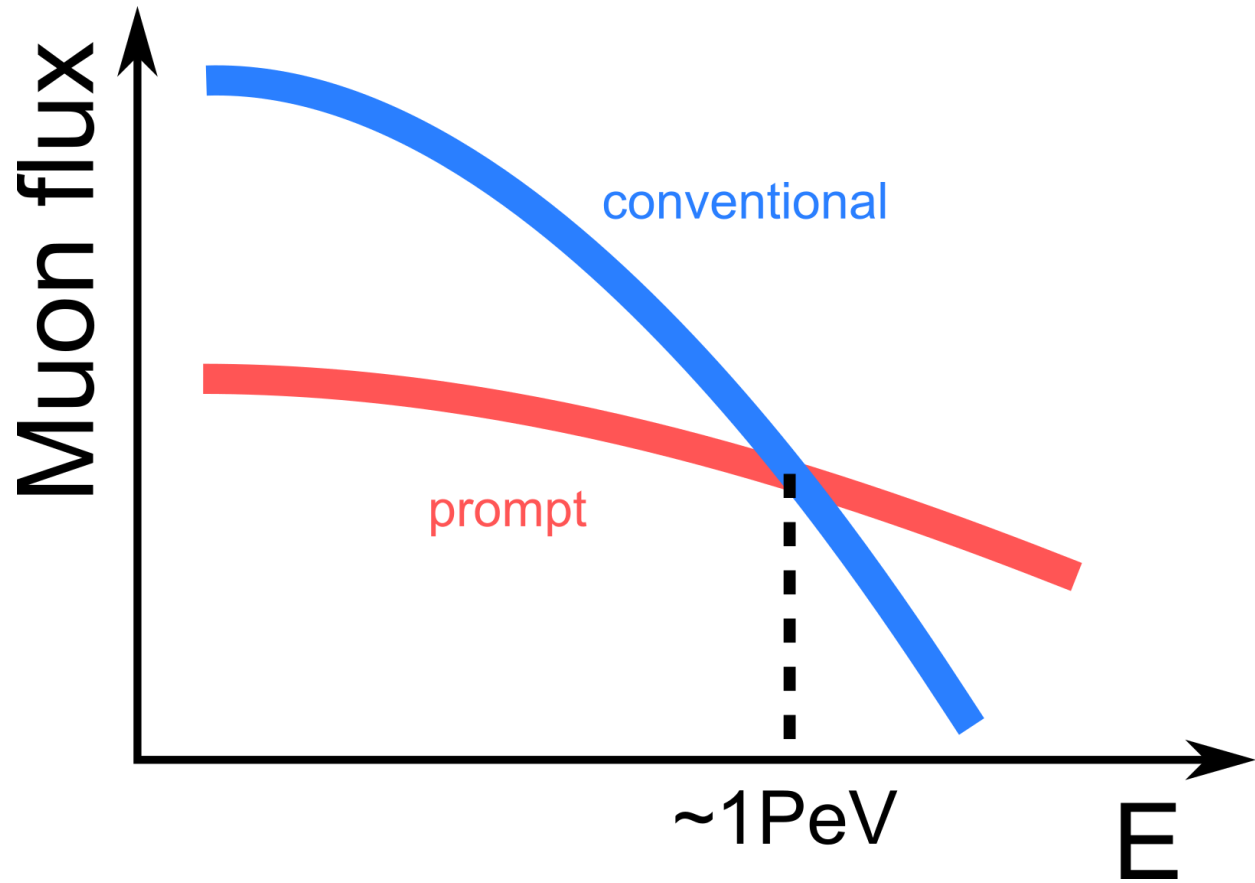
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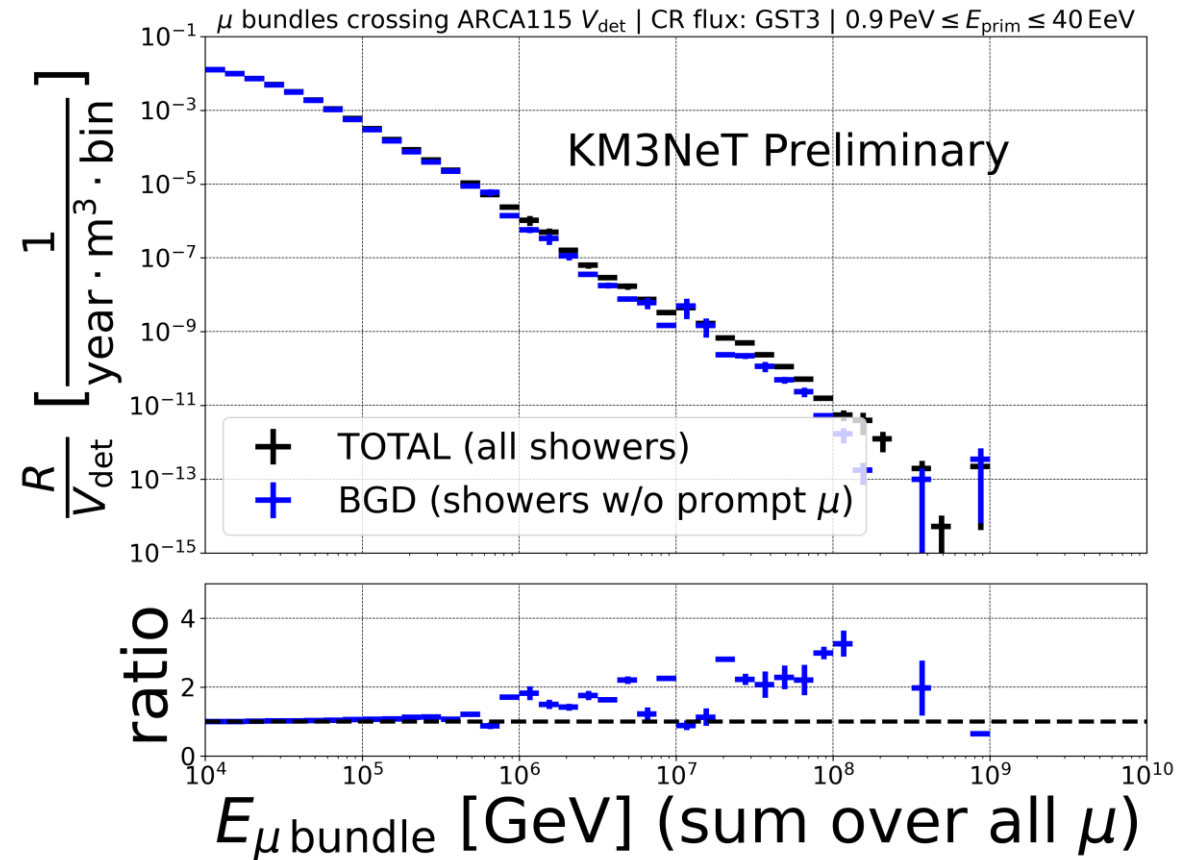
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ARCA115



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Prompt muon analysis

JINST 16 C09035 (2021)

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Atmospheric μ

- First data
- Prompt μ analysis
- Multiplicity reco



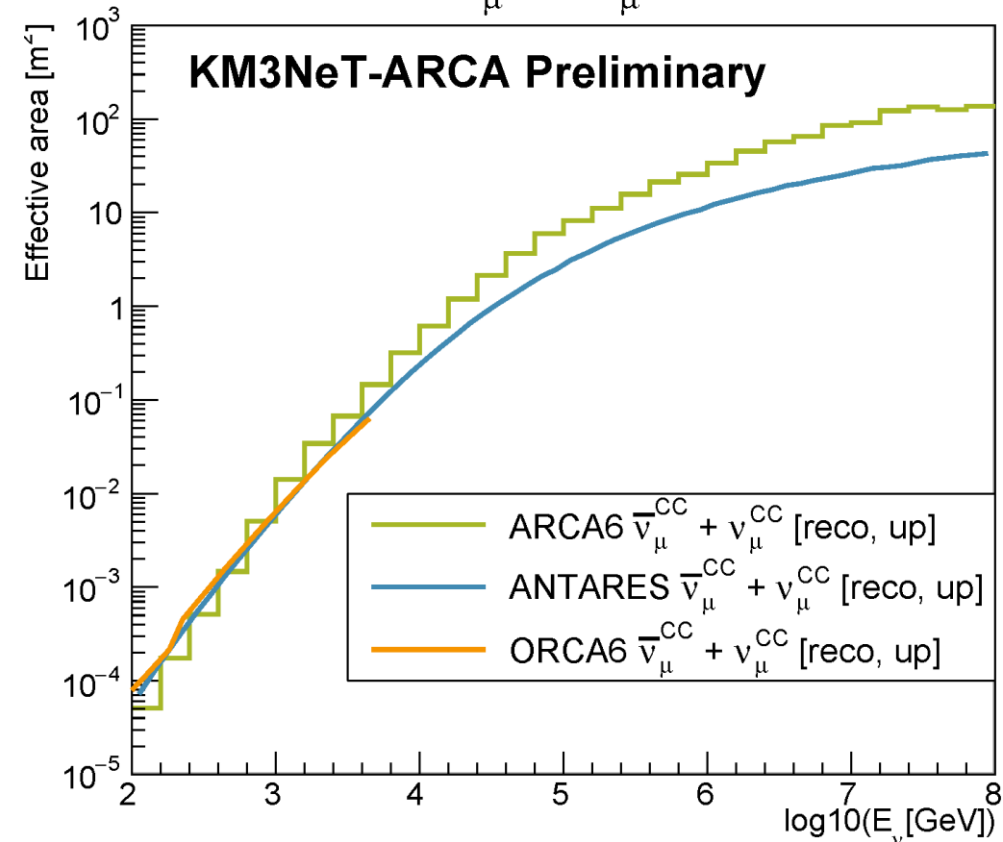
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To sum up:

- ARCA & ORCA under construction
- Already outgrown ANTARES
- Successful measurements of μ , ν fluxes, ν oscillations
- Very good sensitivity to ν_{astro} & osci
- Many analyses ongoing

ARCA6 + ORCA6

$$\bar{\nu}_{\mu}^{\text{CC}} + \nu_{\mu}^{\text{CC}}$$



ν effective areas

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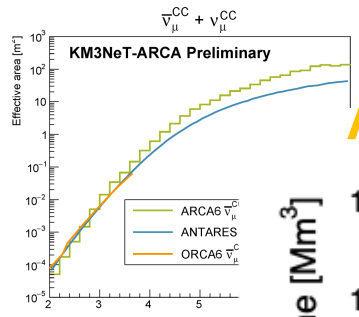
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Outlook:

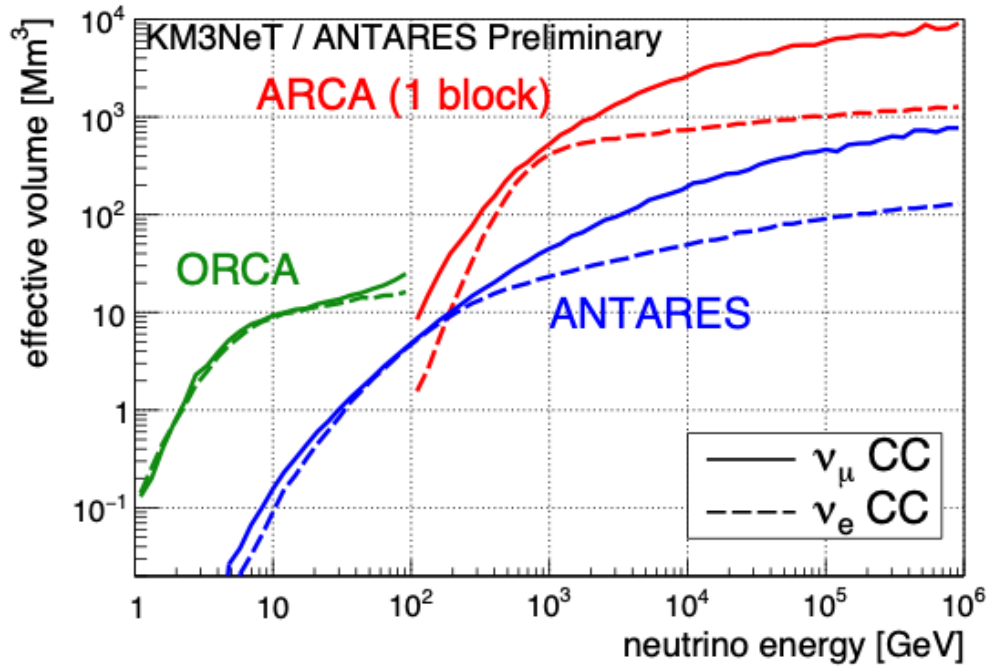
- Detectors will grow further in 2022!
- New results soon!



ARCA6 + ORCA6



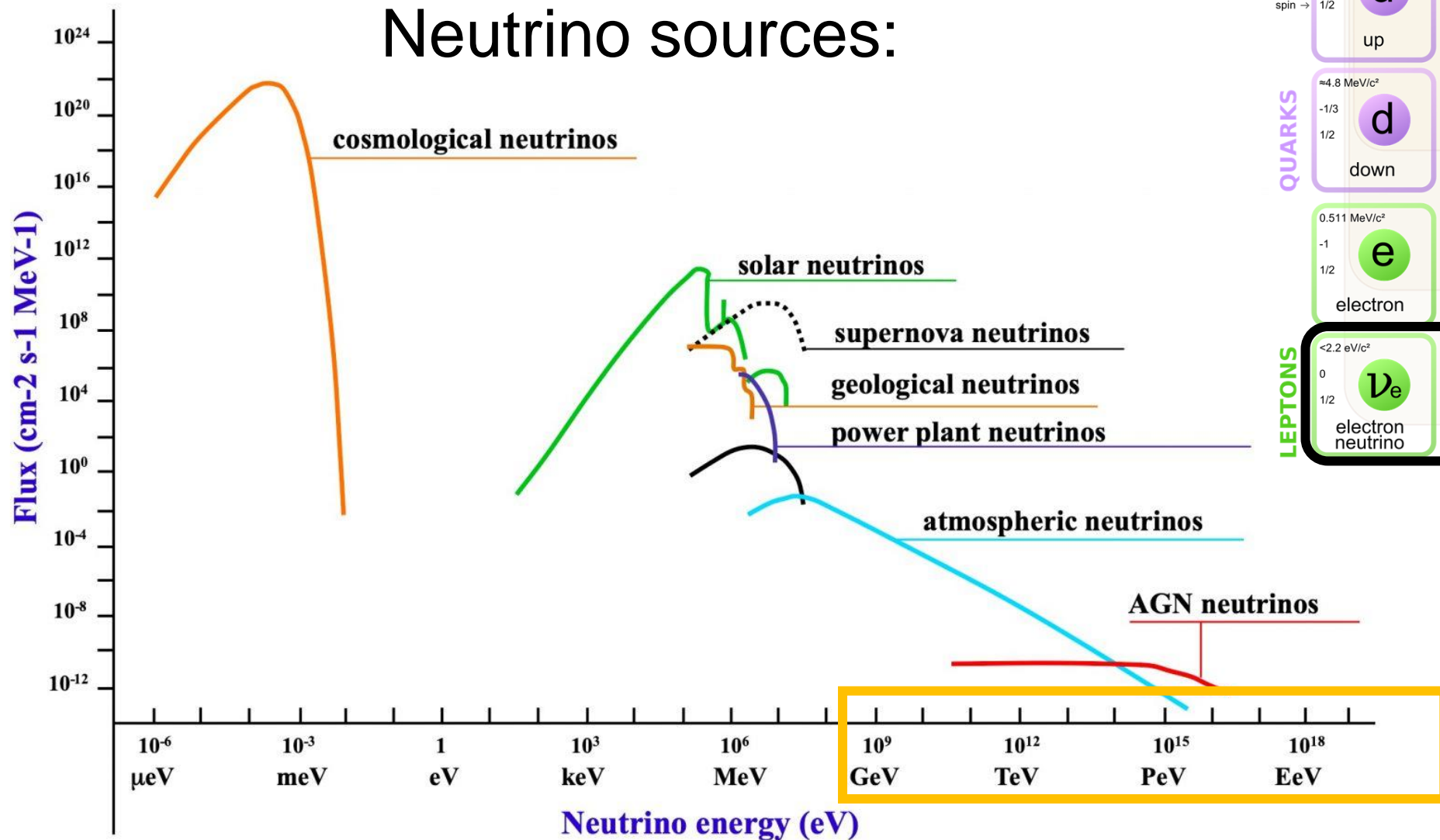
ARCA115 + ORCA115



ν effective areas
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Backup

Neutrino sources



| | | | | | |
|----------|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| mass → | $\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ | $\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | $\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | 0 | $\approx 126 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ |
| charge → | $2/3$ | $2/3$ | $2/3$ | 0 | 0 |
| spin → | $1/2$ | $1/2$ | $1/2$ | 1 | 0 |
| | u up | c charm | t top | g gluon | H Higgs boson |
| | d down | s strange | b bottom | γ photon | |
| | e electron | μ muon | τ tau | Z Z boson | |
| | ν_e electron neutrino | ν_μ muon neutrino | ν_τ tau neutrino | W W boson | |

QUARKS (purple text)

LEPTONS (green text)

GAUGE BOSONS (red text)

Michel Cribier, Michel Spiro, Daniel Vignaud, La lumière des neutrinos, Seuil (1995)

Neutrino interactions

Possible interactions:

- gravitational

- weak:

- Charged current (CC) : $\nu_l + N \xrightarrow{W^\pm} l + X$

- Neutral current (NC) : $\nu_l + N \xrightarrow{Z^0} \nu_l + X$

- Elastic scattering (ES) : $\nu_l + N \xrightarrow{W^\pm/Z^0} \nu_l + l$

may cause Cherenkov light emission (if charged)

- ν oscillations

Neutrino oscillations

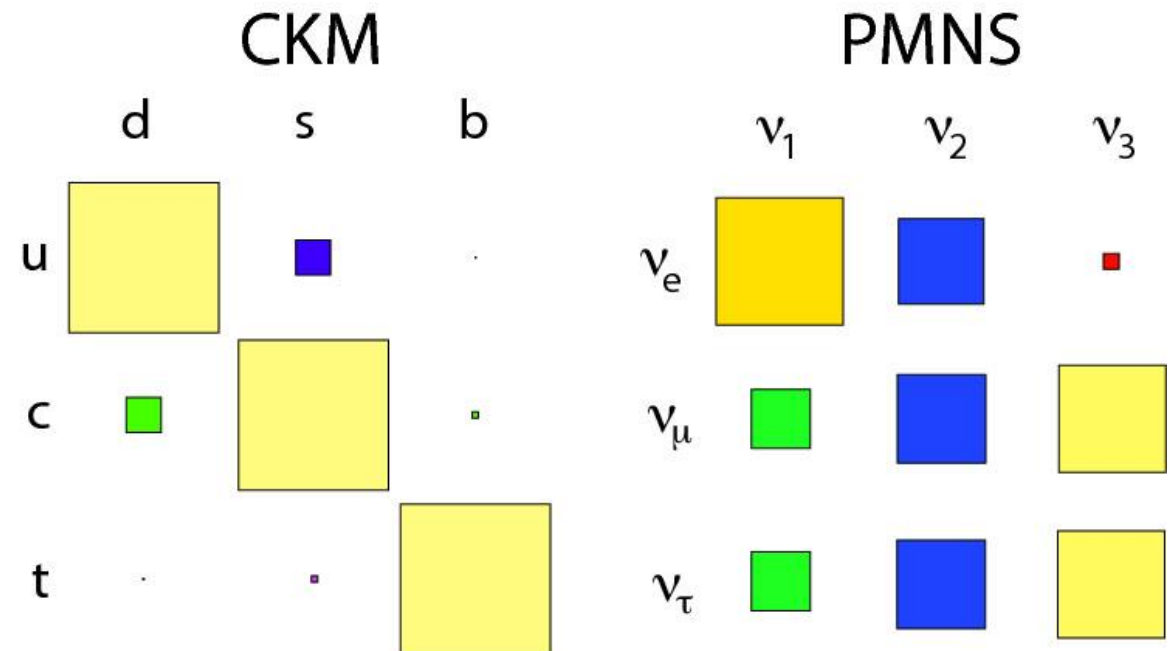
Mixing of neutrino mass and flavour states:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{bmatrix} = U_{\text{PMNS}} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu1} & U_{\mu2} & U_{\mu3} \\ U_{\tau1} & U_{\tau2} & U_{\tau3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

U_{PMNS} matrix:

- NOT diagonal like CKM for quarks!
- not measured as precisely as CKM

PMNS = Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata
 CKM = Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa

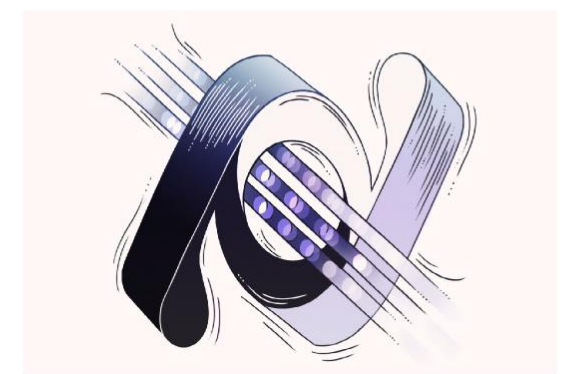
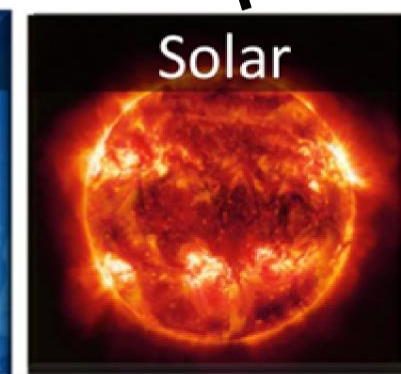
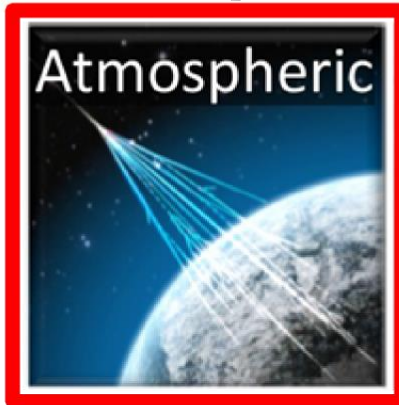


U_{PMNS} parametrization

The usual parametrization of U_{PMNS} :

$$U_{\alpha i} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Atmospheric}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Accelerator}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Reactor}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{\frac{i\alpha_1}{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\frac{i\alpha_2}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Solar}} \quad (1)$$

Only if ν 's
are Majorana



$$c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}$$

$$s_{ij} \equiv \sin \theta_{ij}$$

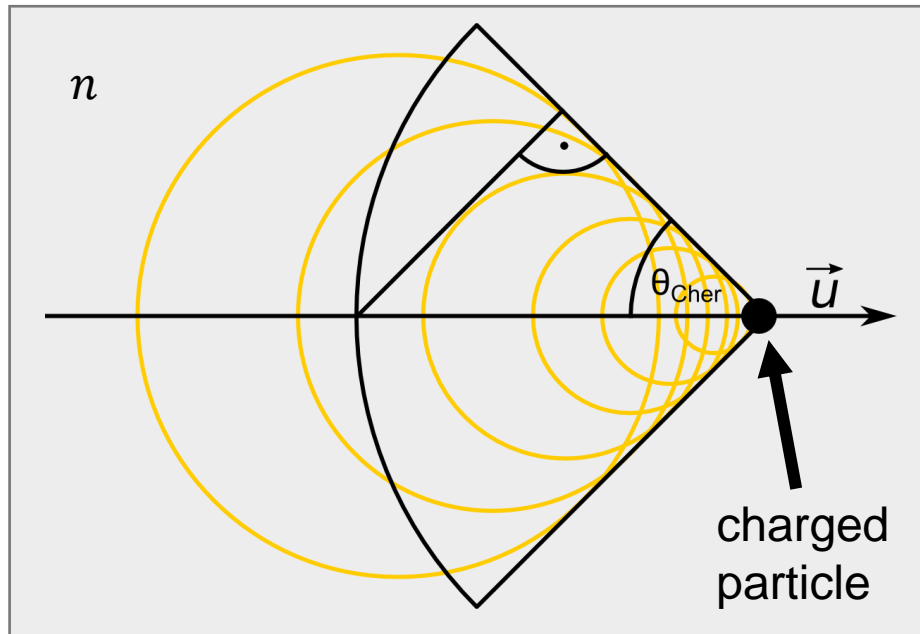
δ – CP-violating phase (charge-parity)

α_1, α_2 – Majorana phases

Cherenkov radiation

In a nutshell:

EM equivalent of a sonic boom shockwave



$$\cos \theta_{\text{Cher}} = \frac{c}{u \cdot n}$$

e.g. in water, $\theta_{\text{Cher}} \approx 41^\circ$

Supersonic jetplane:



<https://www.quora.com/Can-a-pilot-hear-his-own-sonic-boom-when-he-slows-down-the-plane>

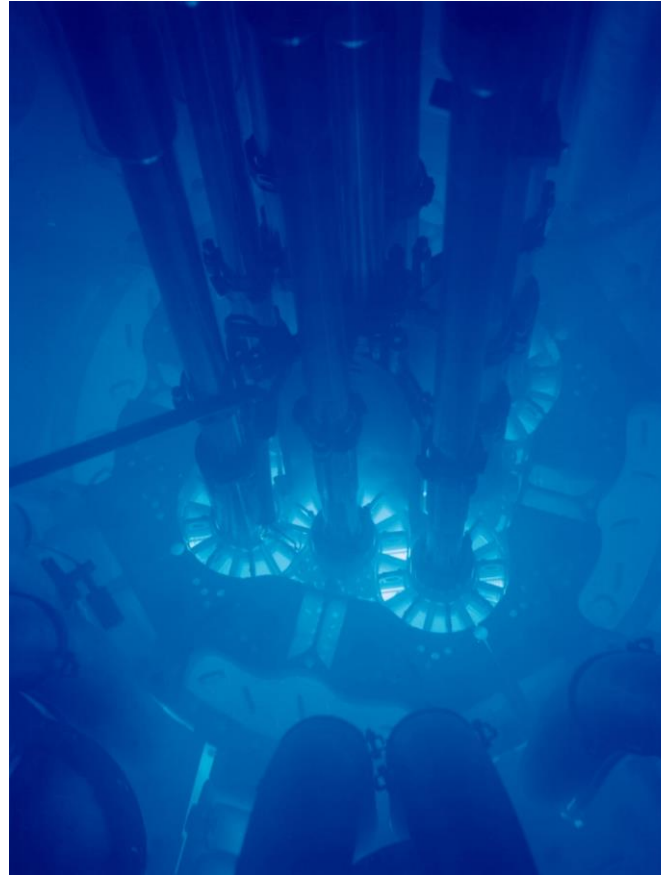
Examples

Extensive Air Showers



eso.org

Nuclear reactors



<https://www.flickr.com/photos/35734278@N05/3954062594/>

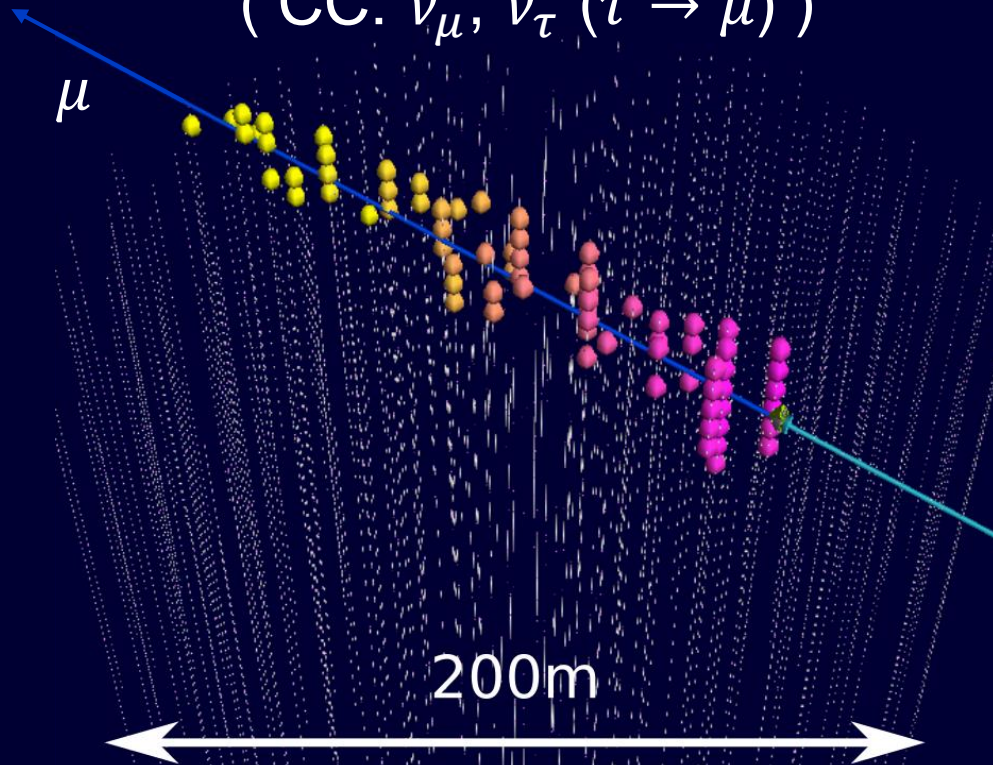
and ...



Event topologies (ORCA115 MC)

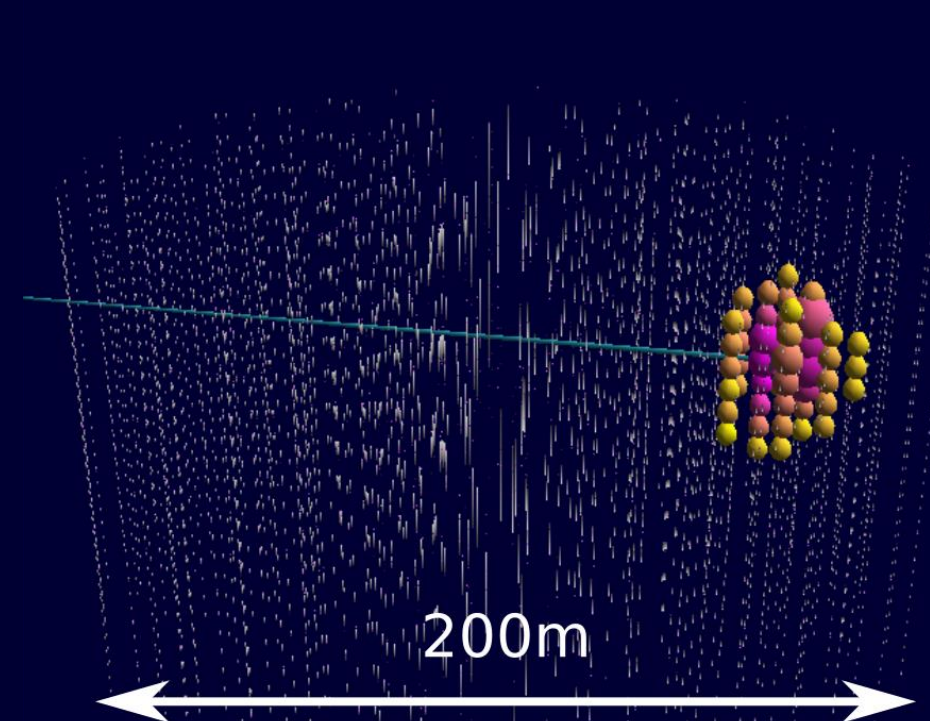
Tracks

(CC: ν_μ, ν_τ ($\tau \rightarrow \mu$))



Showers

(NC: $\nu_{e,\mu,\tau}$, CC: ν_e, ν_τ ($\tau \nrightarrow \mu$))



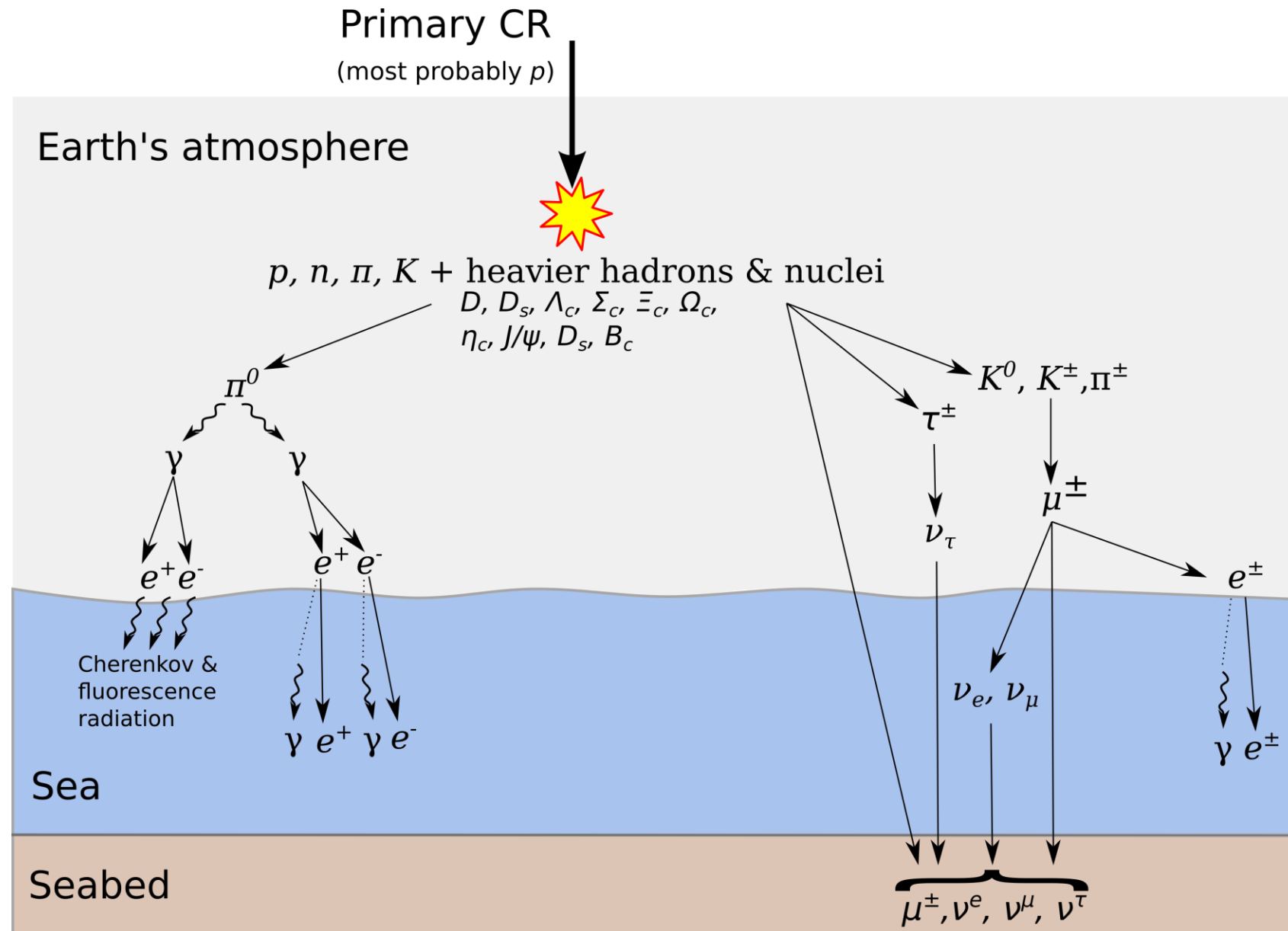
Ball size \leftrightarrow #hit PMTs on a DOM

color \rightarrow time

Extensive Air Showers (EAS)

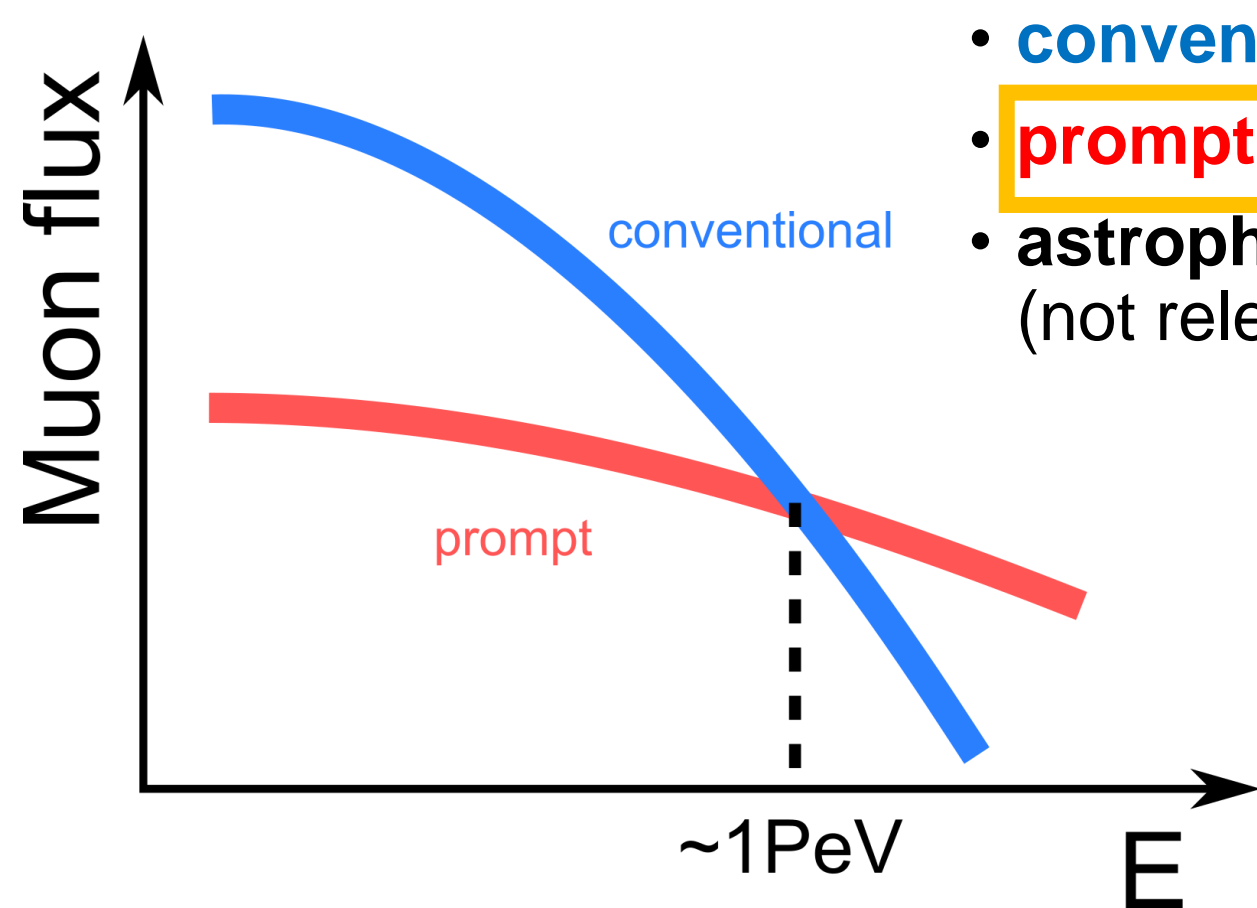
EAS:

- Caused by primary cosmic rays (CR)
- Typically start at $h \in (20,100)\text{km}$
- 3 main components:
 - electromagnetic (EM)
 - hadronic
 - muonic



Prompt muons: basic motivation

Flux categories commonly used by ν telescopes:



- **conventional** – μ, ν mostly from π and K decays
- **prompt** – μ, ν mostly from heavy hadron decays
- **astrophysical** – ν from AGNs, SNe, etc. (not relevant for μ)

We want these!

CCSN: time resolution

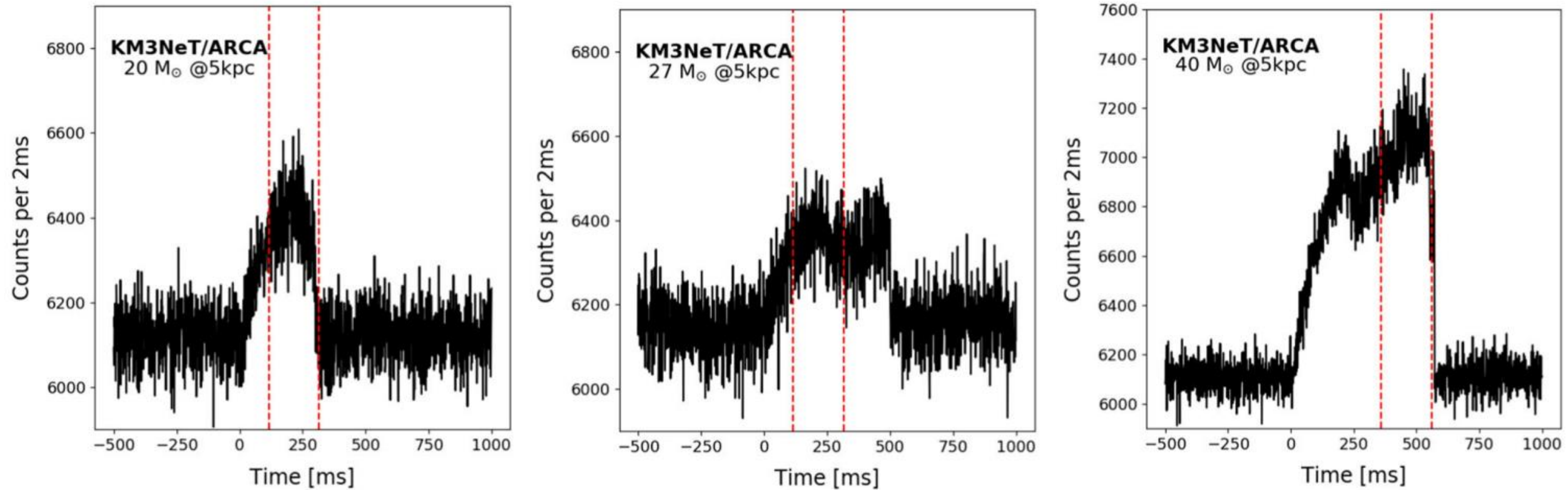


Fig. 12 Pseudo-experiments of the detected neutrino light curves in the full ARCA detector, considering a source at 5 kpc, and the three CCSN progenitors: the 20 M_⊙ (left), 27 M_⊙ (center), and 40 M_⊙ (right). The

dashed red lines indicate the interval to which the Fourier transform is applied