



# INO

## **INDIA BASED NEUTRINO OBSERVATORY** **A STATUS REPORT**

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# PLAN OF THE TALK

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- 1. Why INO?**
- 2. History of Atmospheric  $\nu$  Physics in India**
- 3. INO Detector**
- 4. What Physics INO will do?**
- 5. Site Selection**
- 6. Cost Estimate**
- 7. Time Frame**
- 8. Summary and Conclusions**

# HISTORY OF ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINO IN INDIA

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- The KGF group from TIFR, Osaka, & Durham were the first to report observation of 3 atmospheric neutrino induced events in:
  - Physics Letters 18, (1965) 196, dated 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 1965 .
  - Events were recorded on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 27<sup>th</sup> April, and 25<sup>th</sup> May, 1965.
- Reines et al. reported observation of 7 events in:
  - PRL 15, (1965), 429, dated 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1965.
  - The first ever neutrino event was recorded on 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. 1965.
- KGF collaboration contributed immensely to the cosmic ray and related physics. Glorious period of “**Cosmic Ray Physics in India**”. The KGF mine was closed in early 90’s for financial reasons . **What a shame!**
- India-based Neutrino Observatory is an attempt not to just have an underground laboratory in India but to revive the culture of doing most fundamental physical sciences in India at a large scale with international collaboration.
- ***It has both excellent scientific and social value.***

# HISTORY OF ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINO IN INDIA

## KGF reported – observation of 1<sup>st</sup> Atmospheric $\nu$ event - published – 15 August 1965.

DETECTION OF MUONS PRODUCED BY COSMIC RAY NEUTRINO  
DEEP UNDERGROUND

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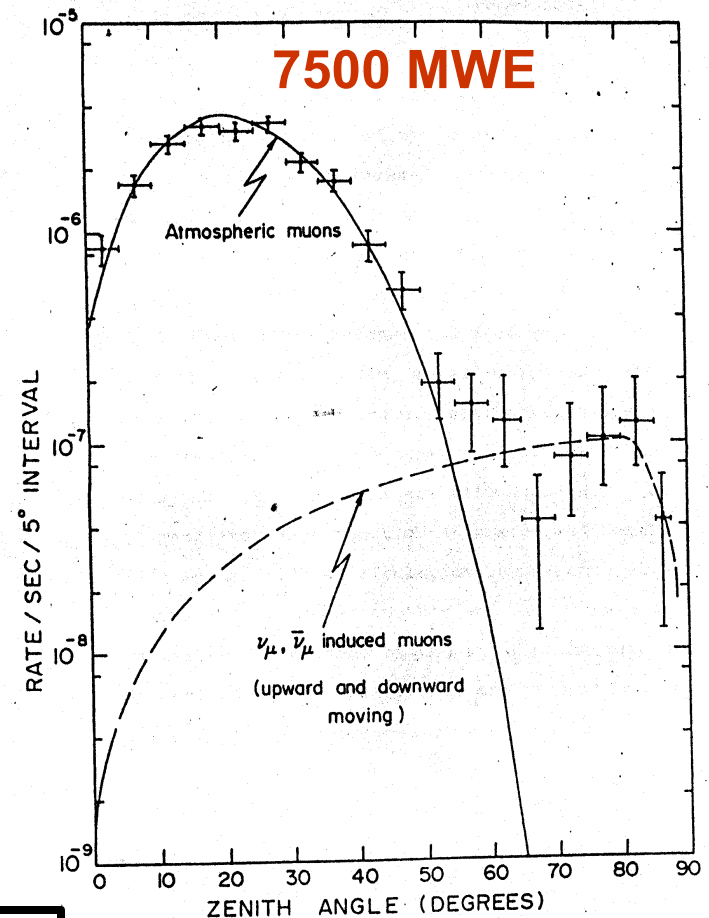
D. R. CREED, J. L. OSBORNE, J. B. M. PATTISON and A. W. WOLFENDALE  
*University of Durham, Durham, U.K.*

Received 12 July 1965

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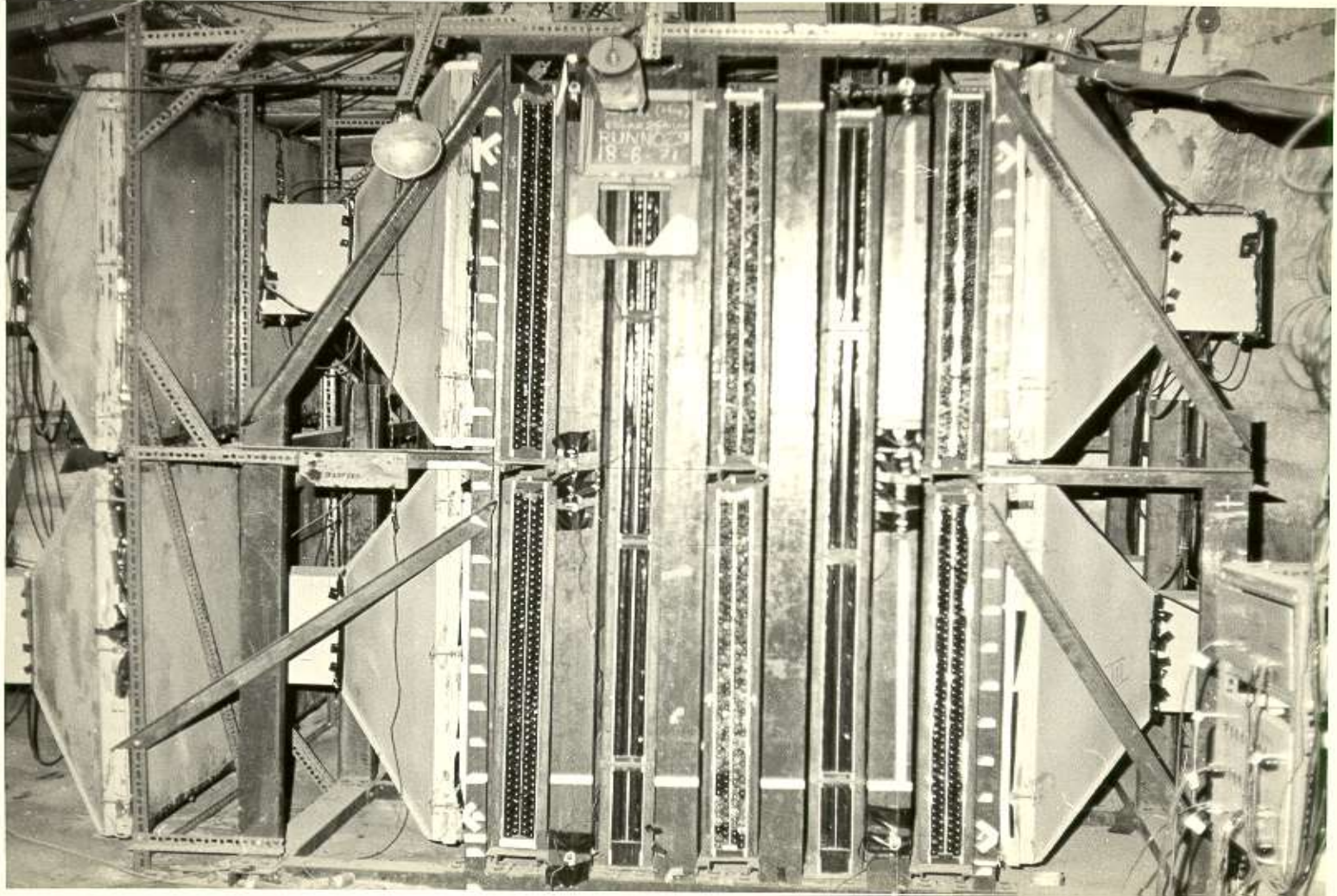
Event number	Type of coincidence	Projected zenith angle	Date	Time
1	TEL.2 N <sub>4</sub> +S <sub>4</sub>	37°	30.3	20.04
2	TEL.1 N <sub>1</sub> +S <sub>1</sub>	48 ± 1°	27.4	18.26
3	TEL.2 N <sub>6</sub> +S <sub>6</sub>	75 ± 10°	25.5	20.03

50 days of operation ~ 2140 m<sup>2</sup> days steradian



# KOLAR GOLD FIELD DETECTOR - 1965

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# KOLAR GOLD FIELD – FEW INDIAN PHYSICISTS & TECHNICIANS

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# INO DETECTOR

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## ➤ **Detector choice based on:**

- ✓ Technological capabilities available within the country
- ✓ Existing/Planned other neutrino detectors around the world
- ✓ Modularity and the possibility of phasing
- ✓ Compactness and ease of construction

## ➤ **Detector should have:**

- ✓ Large target mass (50-100 KTon)
- ✓ Good tracking and energy resolution (tracking calorimeter)
- ✓ Good directionality or time resolution  $\sim 1$ nsec

## ➤ **The proposed detector is:**

- ✓ Phase I – A 50 KTon magnetized iron-RPC based modular detector
- ✓ Phase II – Expect to increase target mass to 100KTON

**Magnetized Fe-RPC calorimeter, a la MONOLITH.**

# WHAT PHYSICS ONE CAN DO WITH SUCH A DETECTOR?

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## ➤ Phase I – Atmospheric neutrino

- ✓ Explicit observation of first oscillation swing as a function of  $L/E$
- ✓ Improved measurement of  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  and  $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{23}$
- ✓ Search for potential matter effect and sign of  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  from  $\mu^+$  &  $\mu^-$  events
- ✓ Discrimination between  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  vs.  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$
- ✓ CPT violation
- ✓ Constraining long range leptonic forces

## ➤ Phase II – Beam neutrino (Neutrino Factory)

- ✓ Determination of  $\theta_{13}$  from  $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$  oscillations
- ✓ Sign of  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  from  $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$  oscillations
- ✓ CP violation
- ✓ Search for potential matter effects in  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  and sign of  $\Delta m_{23}^2$

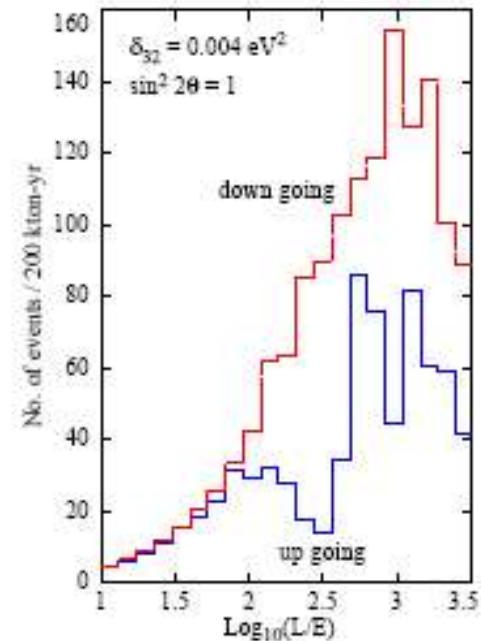
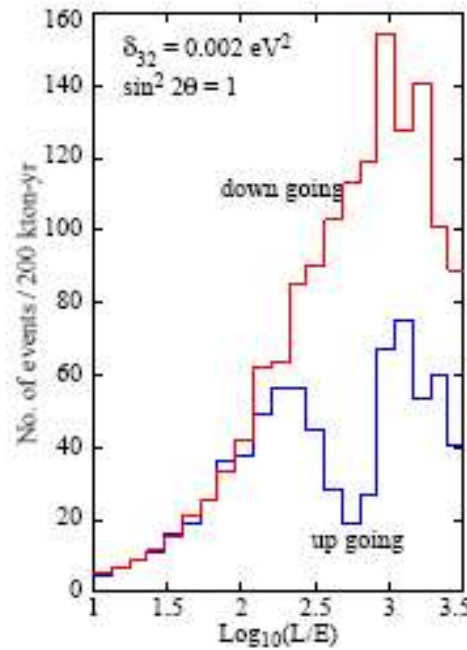
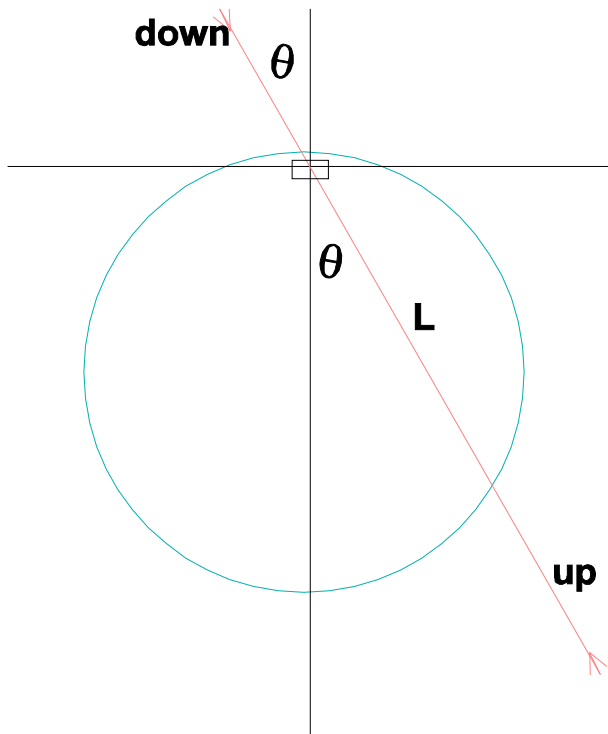
## ➤ Other Physics Possibilities

- ✓ Ultra high energy neutrinos and muons



# EXPLICIT MEASUREMENT OF L/E

Measure the disappearance probability with a single detector and two equal sources – down-going and up-going muons produced by neutrino interactions

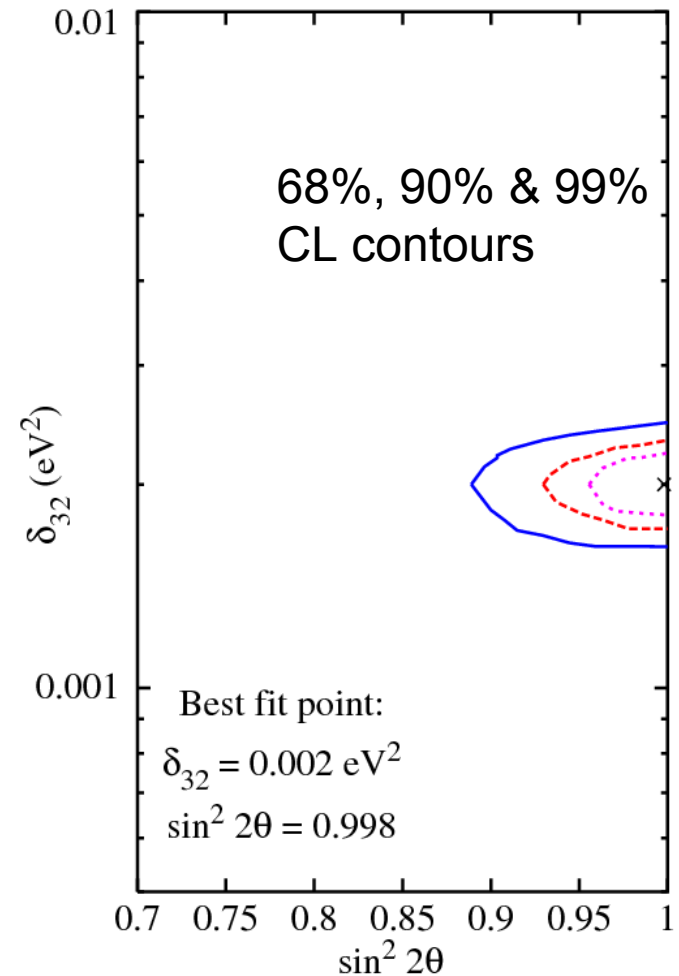
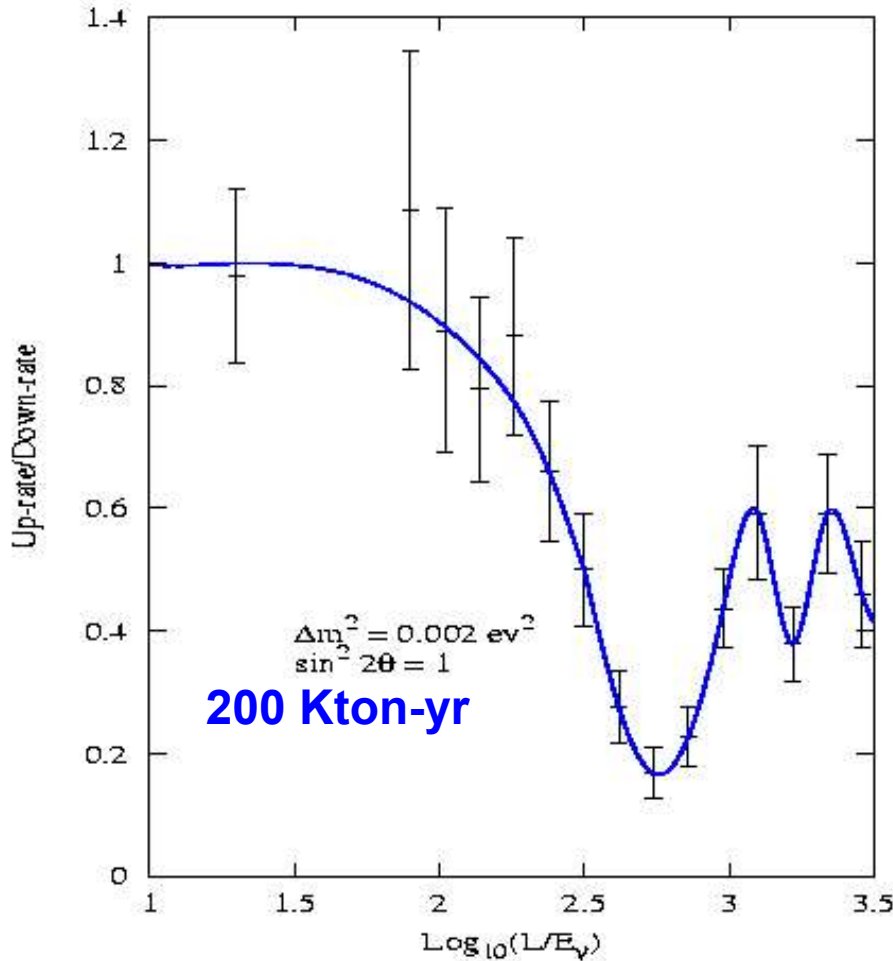


$\text{Log}_{10}(L/E)$  Km/GeV

Expect to measure  $\Delta m^2_{23}$  to  $\sim 10\%$  and  $\text{Sin}^2\theta_{23}$  to  $\sim 30\%$  precision at  $3\sigma$  (total spread around central value)

# EXPLICIT MEASUREMENT OF L/E

$$N_{\mu}^{\uparrow}(L/E)/N_{\mu}^{\downarrow}(L/E) = P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}; L/E) = 1 - \text{Sin}^2(2\theta_{23}) \text{Sin}^2(1.27\Delta m_{23}^2 L/E)$$



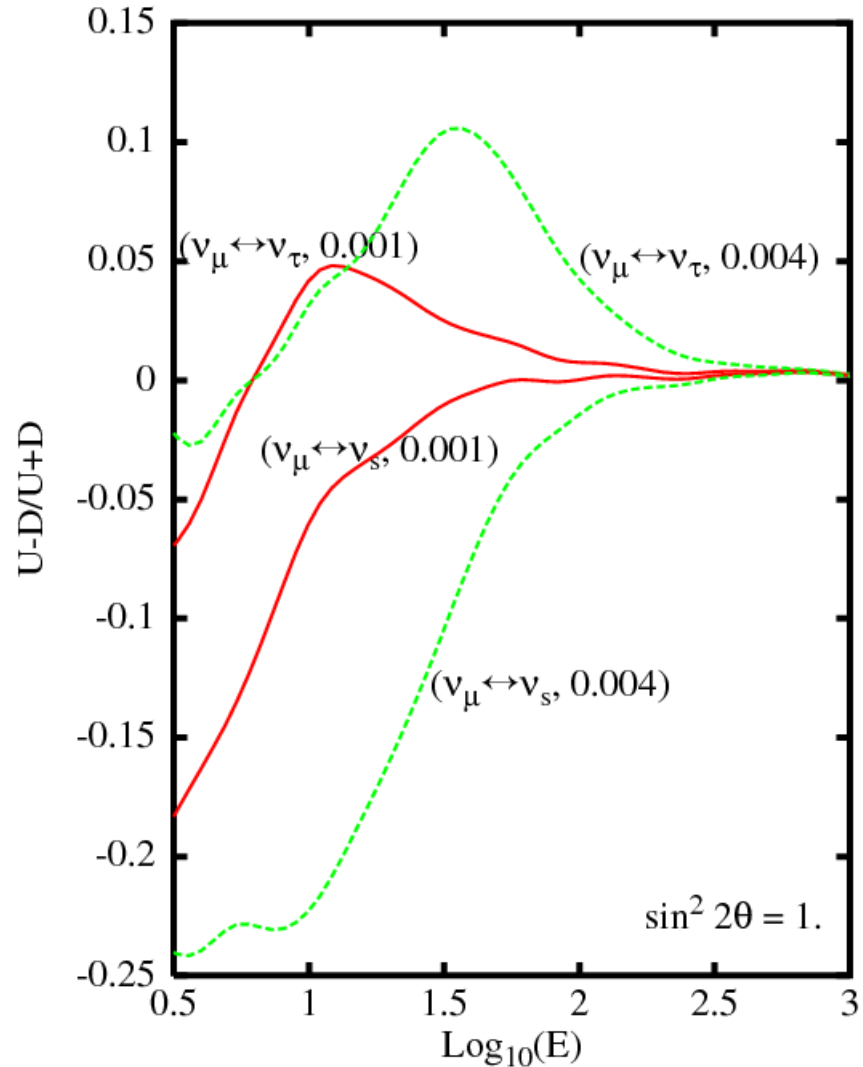
$$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} \text{ vs. } \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$$

$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  oscillation will give rise to an excess of NC or muonless event compared to  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$  events.

- $\frac{U-D}{U+D}$  + ve for  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  and
- $\frac{U-D}{U+D}$  - ve for  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$

$$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{— (green line)}$$

$$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{— (red line)}$$

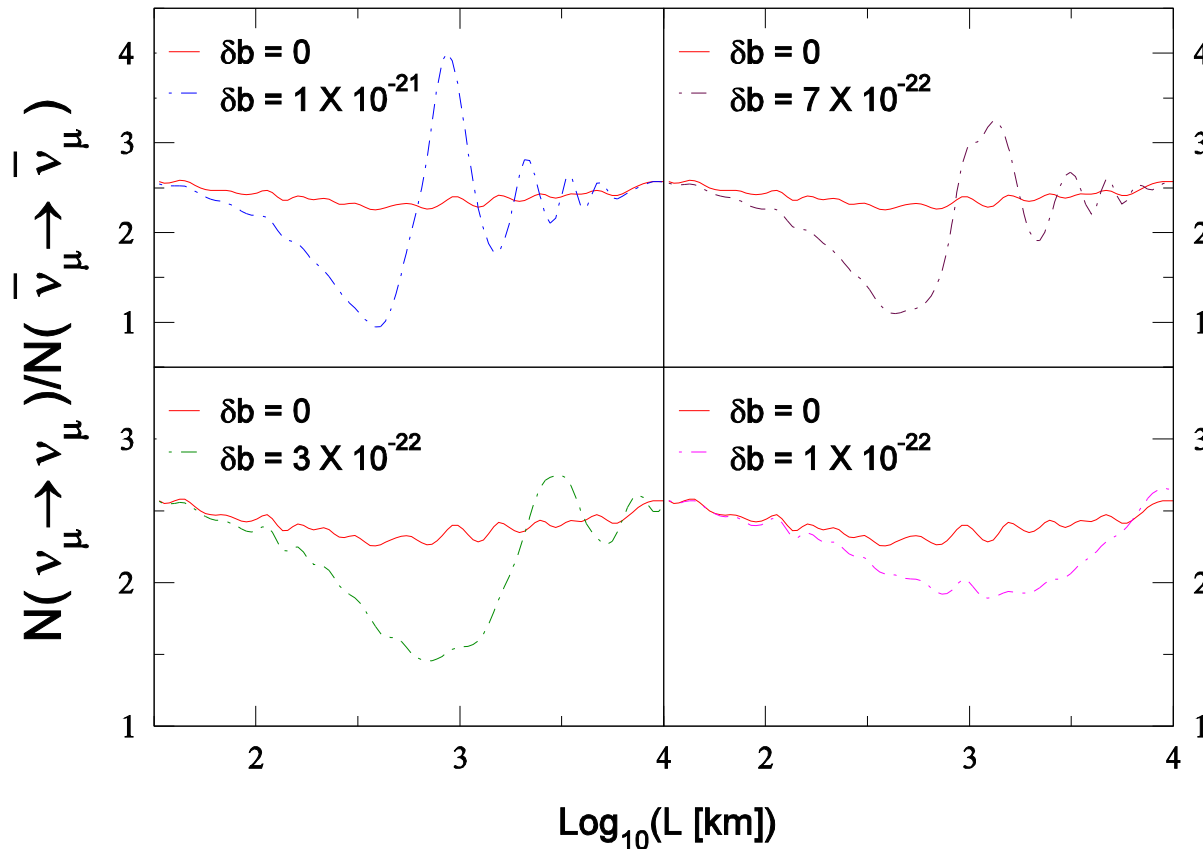


# CPT VIOLATION

$$P_{\mu\mu}(L) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left[ \left( \frac{\delta_{32}}{4E} + \frac{\delta b}{2} \right) L \right]$$

$$\Delta P_{\mu\mu}^{CPT} = P_{\mu\mu} - P_{\bar{\mu}\bar{\mu}} = -\sin^2 2\theta \sin \left( \frac{\delta_{32} L}{2E} \right) \sin(\delta b L)$$

R. Gandhi et al.,  
Phys. Lett. B597, 356 (2004)



Plots for values  
 $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 0.002 \text{ eV}^2$   
 $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$

# MATTER EFFECT & SIGN OF $\Delta m^2_{23}$

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NEXT TALK - TO BE GIVEN BY

**Sankagiri Umasankar**

**Large matter effects in  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$  oscillations**

# INO COLLABORATION

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- At present INO collaboration consists of
  - ~90 Physicists and Engineers from
    - 15 Indian institutions, and
    - 1 US Institution
- Spokesperson – Prof. Naba Mondal – TIFR, Mumbai
- Planned to be an international facility-
  - Begin with a Fe-RPC magnetized  $\nu$  detector 50-100Kton
  - Later use the facility possibly for:
    - ◆ Low energy Neutrinos (solar  $\nu$ , reactor  $\nu$ , supernova  $\nu$ ,  $\beta$  decay,  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay, global radioactivity in earth, nucleon decay etc. etc.)
    - ◆ Neutrino Astronomy (cosmic ray composition, UHE  $\nu$  astronomy)
    - ◆ Low Energy Accelerator for nuclear astrophysics

*International community is most welcome and we invite them to join the effort in this program – INO needs more experimentalists.*

# CURRENT ACTIVITIES

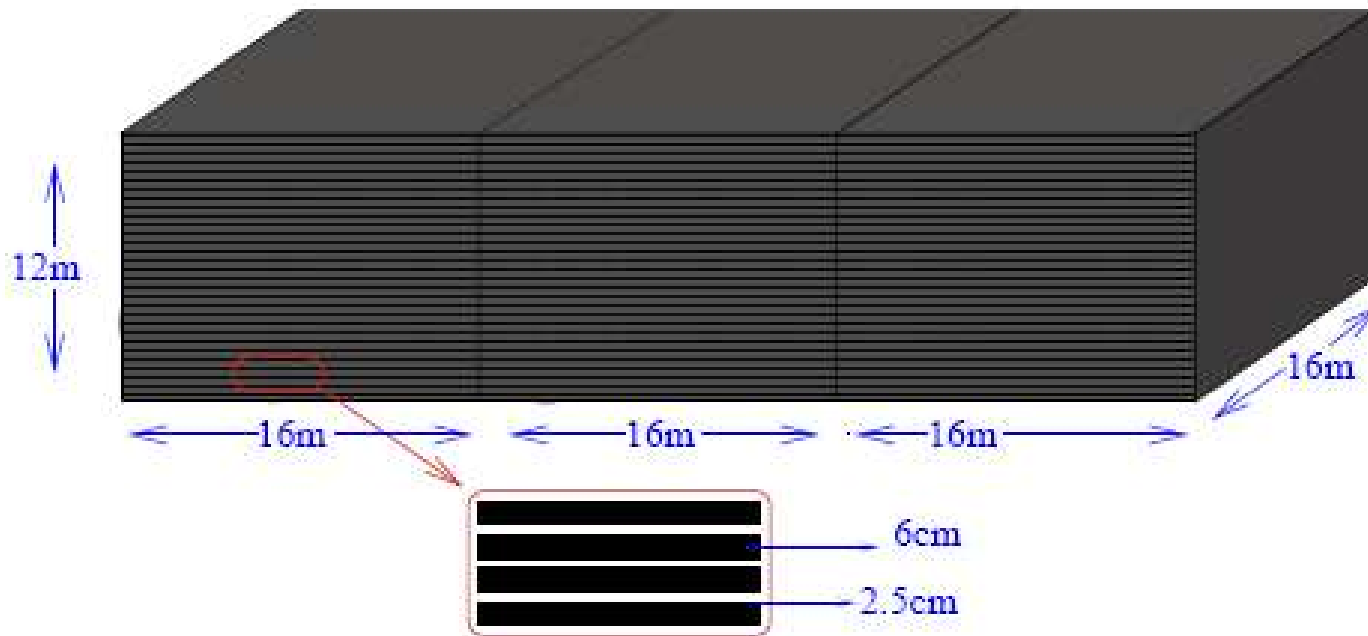
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- **Detector Development**
- **Detector Simulation**
- **Physics Studies**
- **Data Acquisition System**
- **Site Survey**
- **International Collaboration**



# INO DETECTOR – INITIAL DESIGN CONCEPT

## Magnetized Fe with RPCs (50 KTon with ~1.3T magnetic Field)



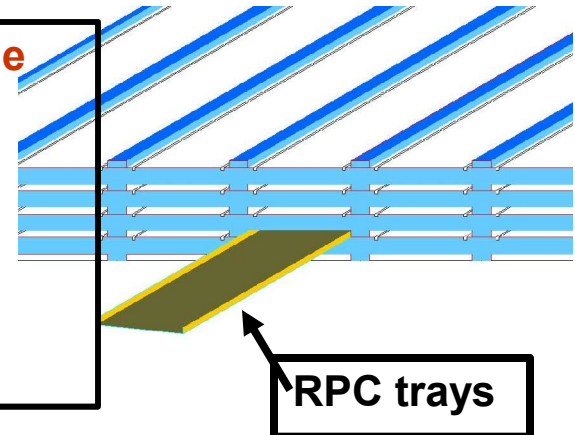
✓ 3 Modules of 16m X 16m X 12m each – 140 Layers/module

✓ Each layer - 6cm thick Fe + RPC in 2.5cm Gap

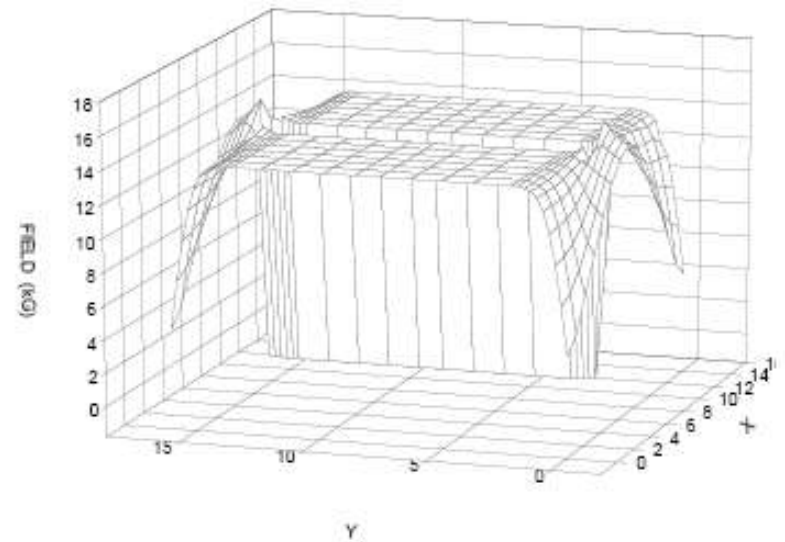
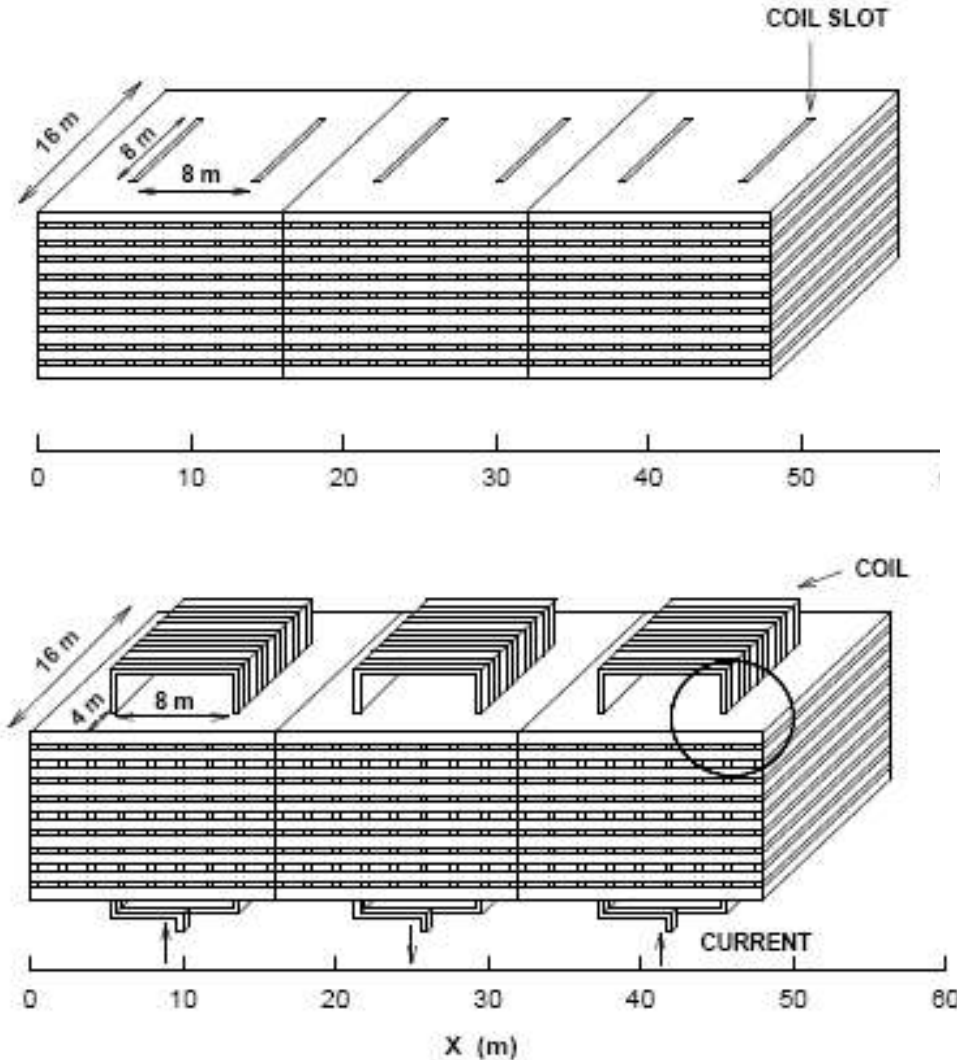
✓ Each RPC of size 2m X 2m – 27000 RPC's needed

✓ Active Detector Area ~ 108,000 m<sup>2</sup>

✓ Magnetic Field ~ 1.3 Tesla

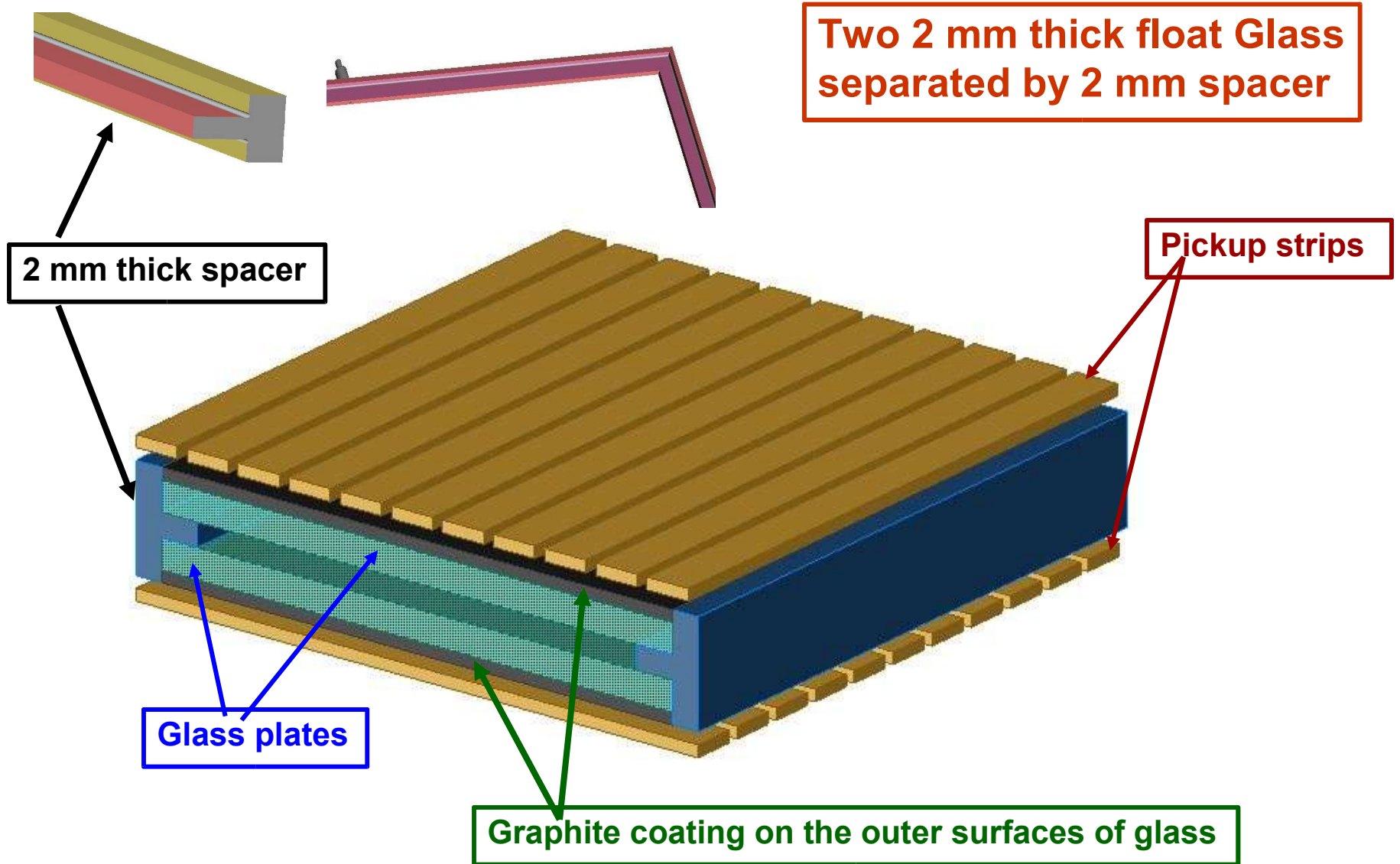


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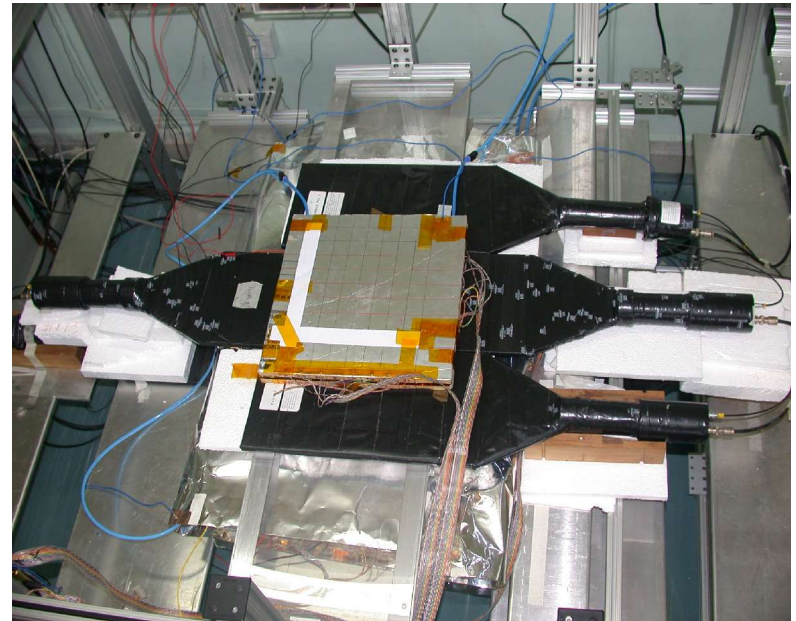
**Magnetic field in a horizontal plane inside an Fe plate**

# CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPLETE RPC

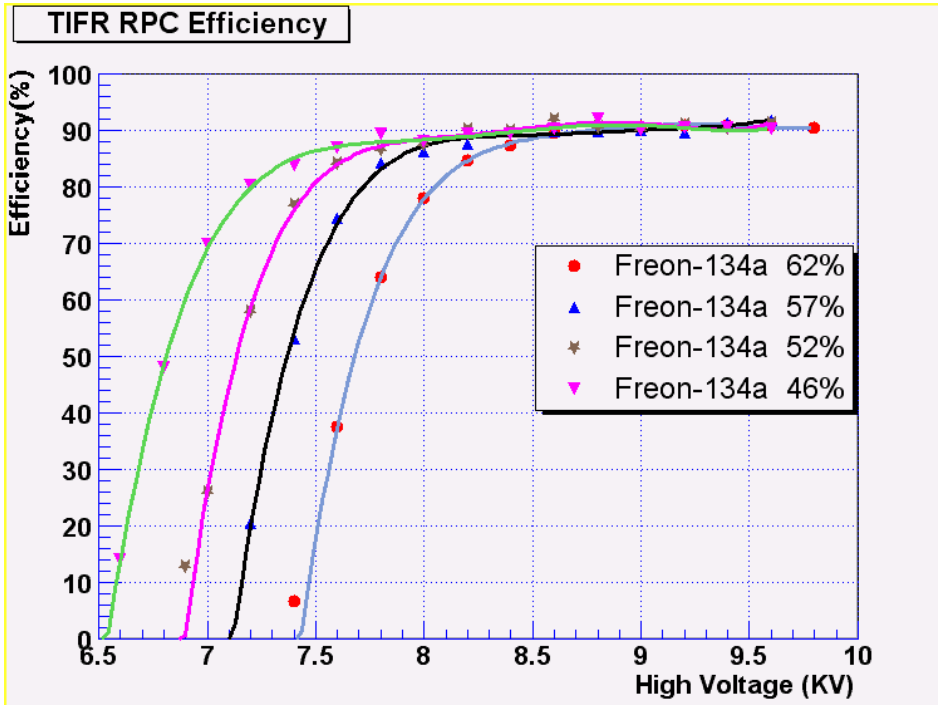


# TEST OF RPC AT TIFR, MUMBAI & SINP, KOLKATTA

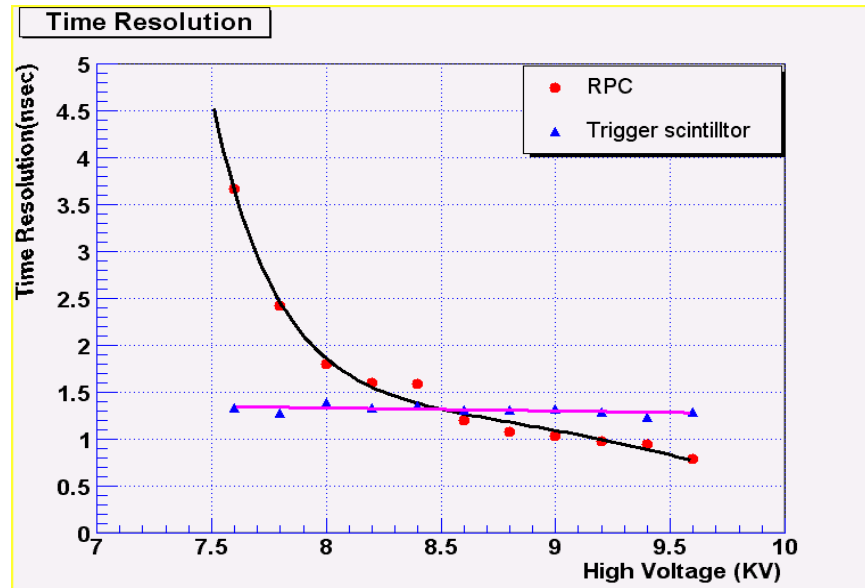
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# RPC EFFICIENCY AND TIMING RESOLUTION



Typical timing resolution ( $\sigma$ ) as a function of applied voltage

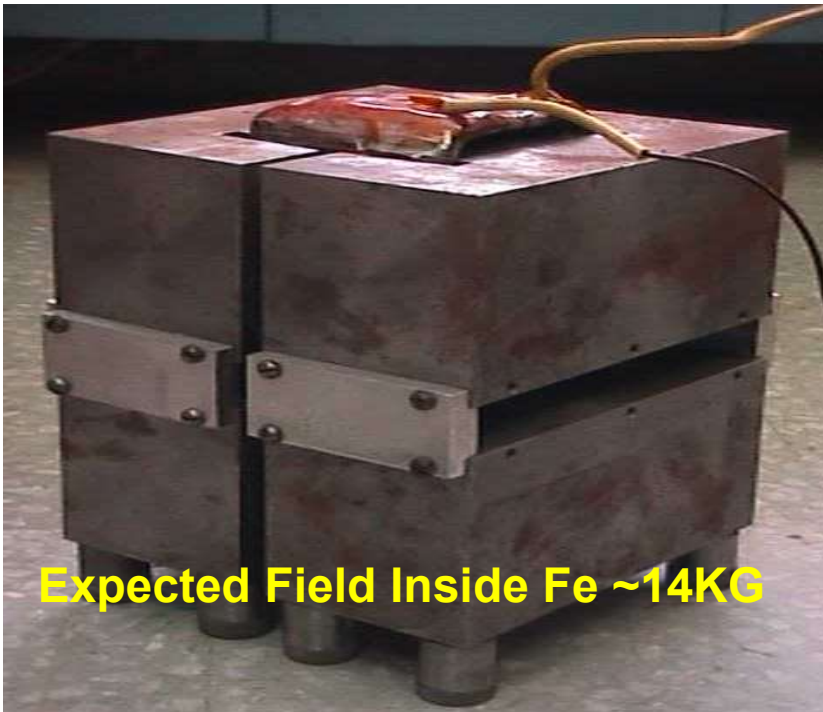


Efficiency  $\geq 90\%$  for HV  $\geq 8.5$  kV  
for all possible gas mixtures

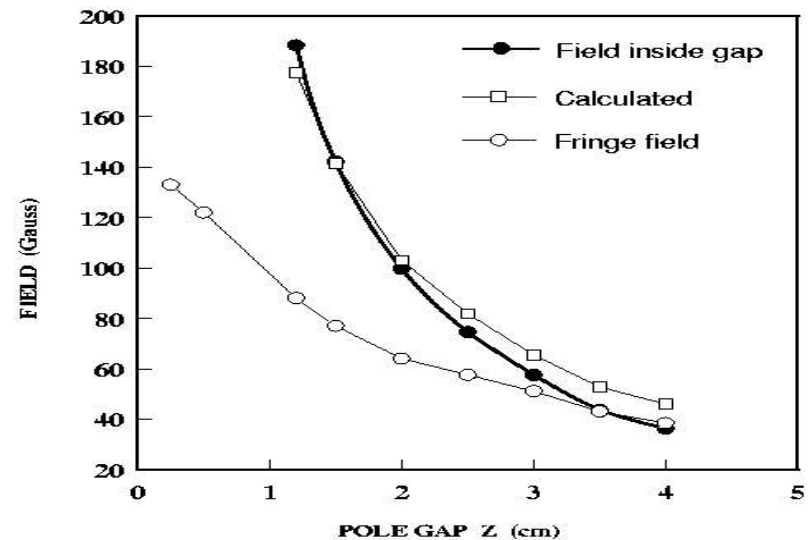


# MODEL MAGNET TEST DESIGN

- A model of the INO magnet - fabricated at VECC to understand
  - ✓ If the measured field agrees with calculation
  - ✓ Whether 2D calculation is OK
  - ✓ To understand the magnet energizing time



Field measurement in the INO model (1/100 scale)



Calculated and measured field within the gap of the 1:100 prototype

# DETECTOR AND PHYSICS SIMULATION

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## ➤ Nuance Event Generator

- ✓ **Generate atmospheric neutrino events inside the INO detector**

## ➤ GEANT Monte Carlo Package

- ✓ **Simulate the detector response for the neutrino events**

## ➤ Event Reconstruction

- ✓ **Fit the raw data/hits to extract neutrino energy and direction**

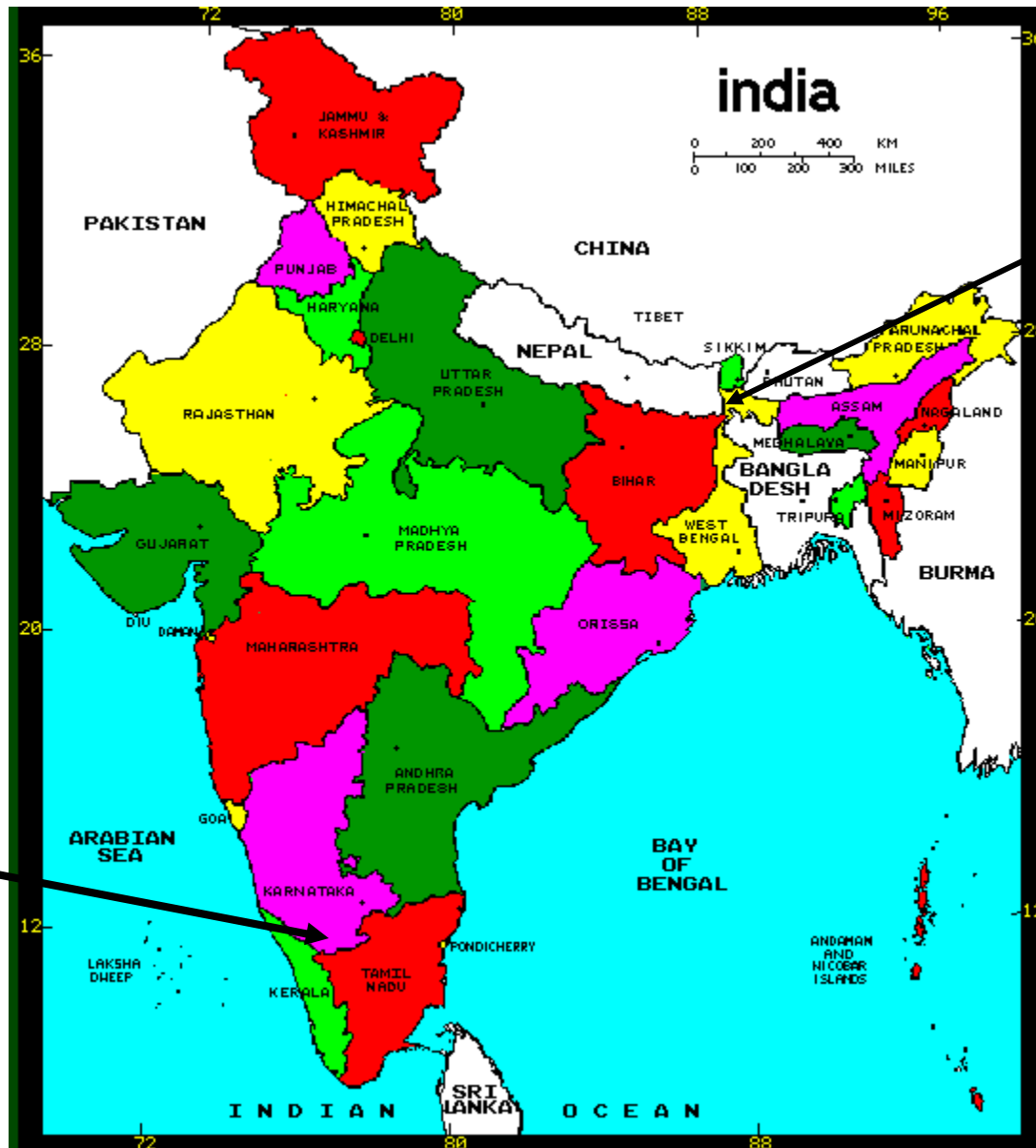
## ➤ Physics Performance of the Baseline INO detector

- ✓ **Analysis of reconstructed events to extract physics**

**Studies progressing at many collaborating institutions.**



# POSSIBLE SITES FOR INO

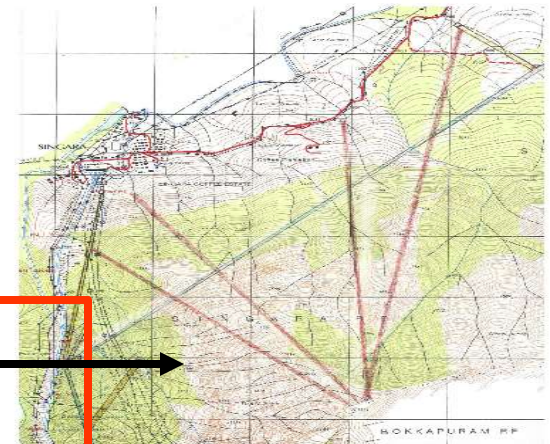
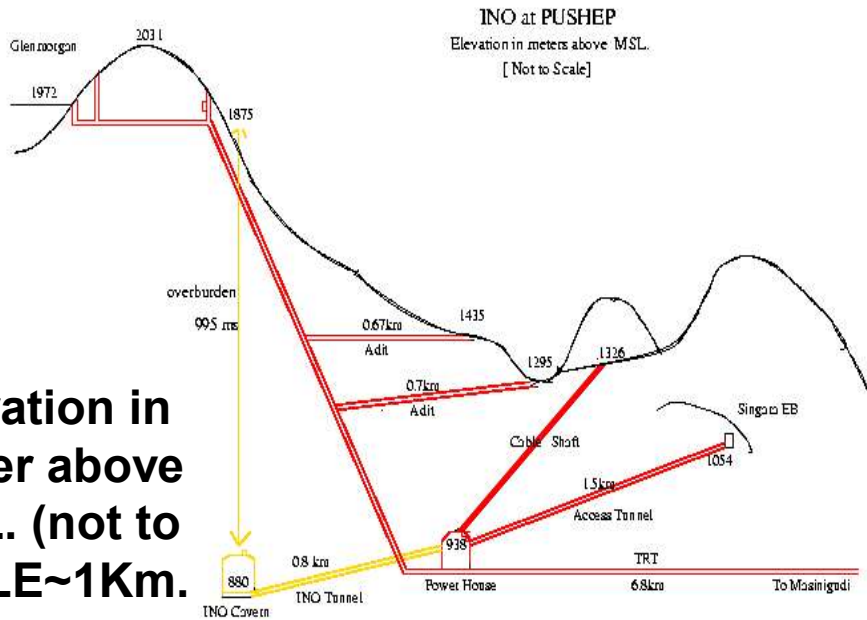


**Rammam**  
Lat. N 27.4°  
Long. E 88.1°

**PUSHEP**  
Lat. N 11.5°  
Long. E 76.6°

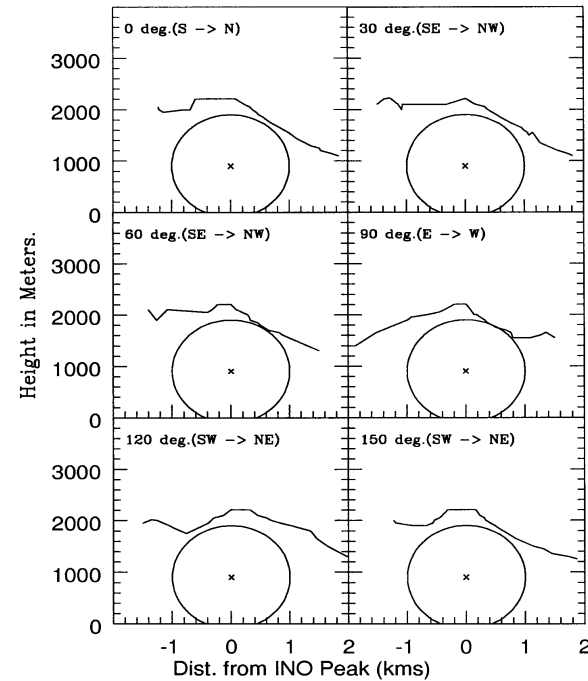
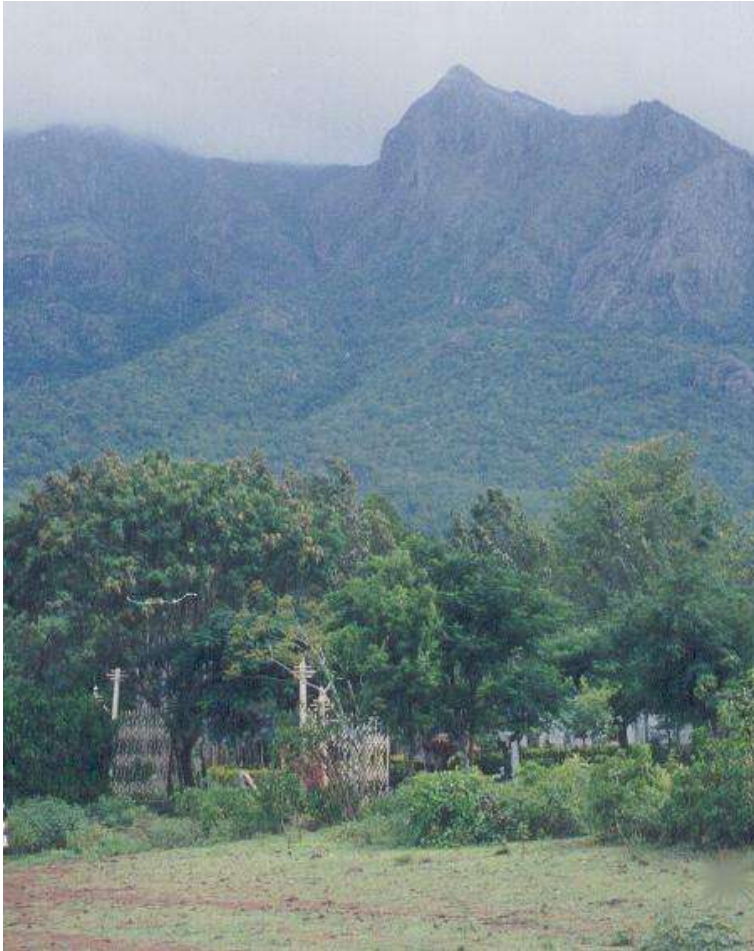
# PUSHEP

## PUSHEP (Pykara Ultimate Stage Hydro Electric Project) in South India, near BANGALORE



4 possible alignment of INO tunnel at PUSHEP

# PUSHEP



## ➤ Action Items:

- ✓ Stress measurement at depths of 1000m
- ✓ Permission to conduct tests and approval for locating INO
- ✓ Possibility of building exploratory tunnel

# COST ESTIMATION FOR LAB. CONSTRUCTION

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>Cost at PUSHEP in millions of USD</b>	<b>Cost at Rammam in millions of USD</b>
Tunnel and cavern excavation	8	19.3
Civil work surface and underground <sup>1</sup>	8	8
Facilities in the cavern <sup>2</sup>	4.5	4.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>~\$21M</b>	<b>~\$32M</b>

1. Includes access tunnel, the cavern, surface laboratory, housing/accommodation
2. Includes overhead crane, air-circulation in tunnel, air-conditioning in laboratory, electrical work

**Estimate given by L & T Limited. – FY2004 PRICE.**

# DETECTOR COST (IN MILLIONS of USD)

ITEM	Cost for 50K Ton Detector	Cost for 100 K Ton Detector
<b>IRON (at \$0.90/Kg)</b>	<b>45.5</b>	<b>91.0</b>
<b>Magnetization</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>9.2</b>
<b>Active Detector</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>54.6</b>
<b>Electronics and DAQ</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>11.4</b>
<b>Contingencies</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>18.2</b>
<b>TOTAL excluding IRON</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>93.4</b>
<b>TOTAL including IRON</b>	<b>~\$92M</b>	<b>~\$184M</b>

**TOTAL COST FOR A 50K Ton  
DETECTOR + LAB = \$115-125M**

**FY 2004 COST**

# TIME SCALE

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## **a. Phase I - 12 to 18 months**

1. Site investigation to draw up detailed design reports for tunnel and cavern complex. Could be faster if all permission from authorities are available?
2. Detector R&D will be over. Detailed design report on detector structure, RPC's, pick-up electrodes, FE electronics, power supply to be ready.

## **b. Phase II – 22 months for PUSHEP and 41 months for Rammam.**

1. Will include tunnel and cavern excavation and related support measure.
2. Basic detector design frozen.
3. Tenders for supply of Fe, magnet coils, cables etc. to be issued.
4. Large scale RPC construction to begin.

## **c. Phase III – 12 to 18 months**

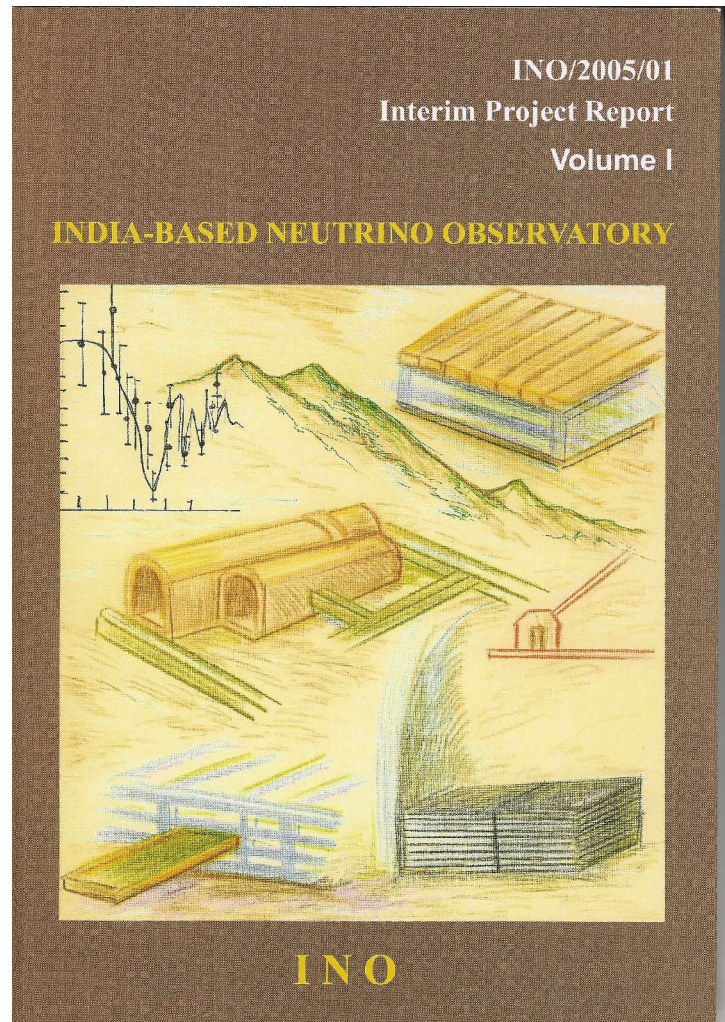
1. Laboratory outfitting, transport of detector components and assembly.
2. The first module may be completed early and the data taking may begin

**ONE CAN EXPECT TO COLLECT DATA WITH  
ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINOS BY 2010-11**

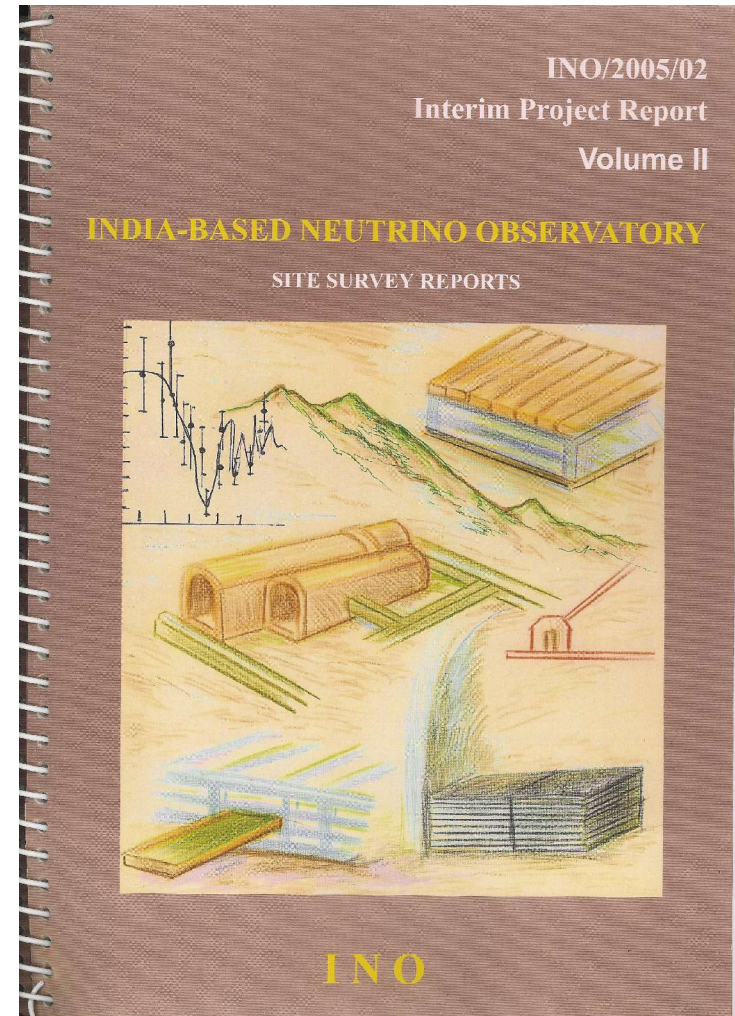


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Submitted to funding agency on 1<sup>st</sup>  
May 2005. **To be released soon.**



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**Not for public release.**



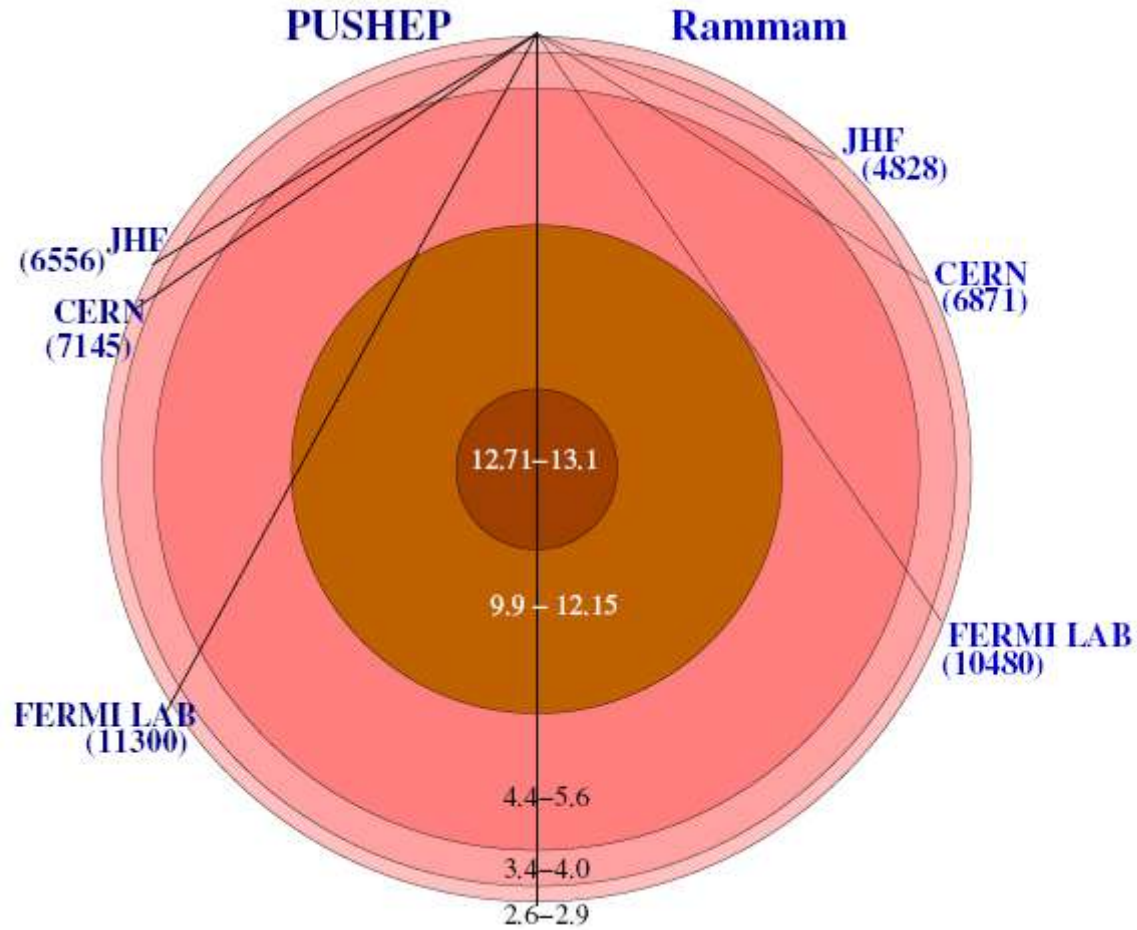
# SUMMARY

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- 1. A large magnetized detector of 50-100 Kton can achieve some of the very interesting physics goals using neutrinos, especially:**
  - a. CPT violation, and**
  - b. Matter effect and sign of  $\Delta m^2_{23}$**
- 2. Magnetized Fe calorimeter will complement planned water cherenkov, scintillator, and LAr based detectors**
- 3. Will compliment present long baseline and reactor experiments**
- 4. Can be used as FAR detector during neutrino factory era**
- 5. Proposal has been submitted to the funding agencies in India**
- 6. R&D on all fronts progressing well**
- 7. Looking for participation from larger international neutrino community.**

# INO AS LONG BASELINE NEUTRINO DETECTOR



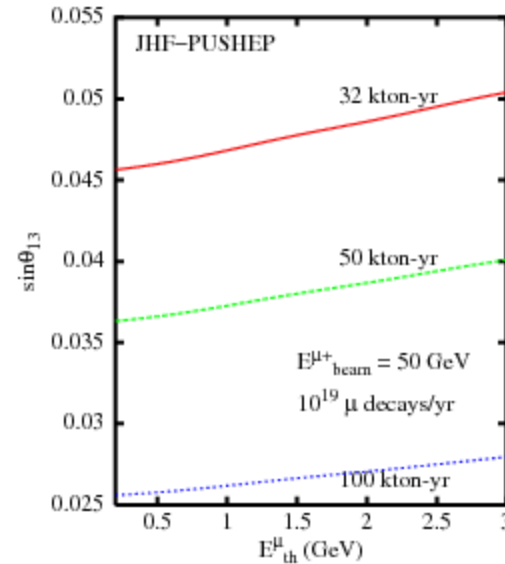
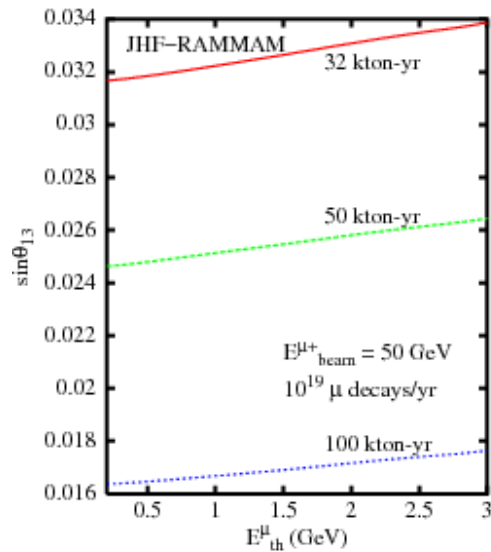
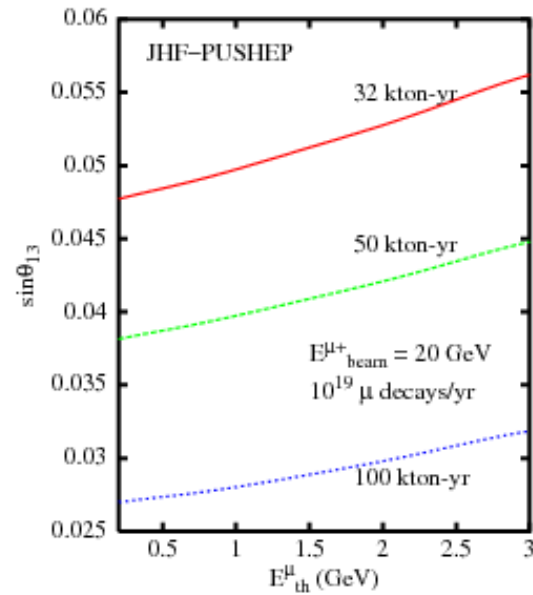
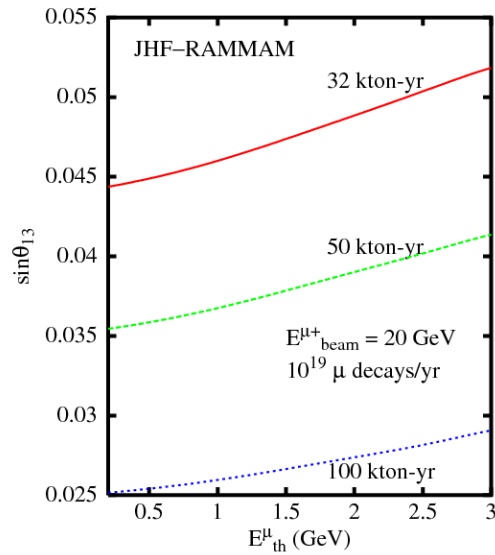
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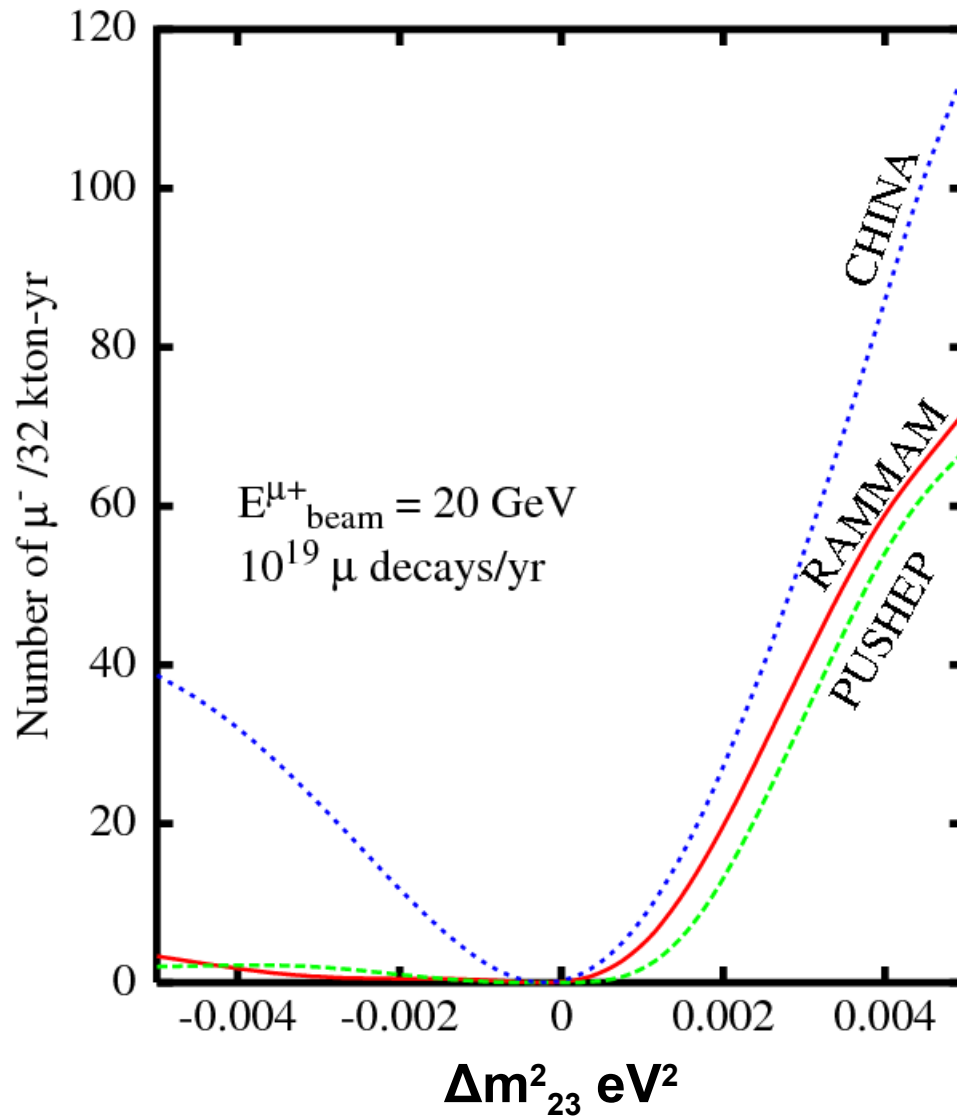
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- ✓ **Reach and measure of  $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13}$**
- ✓ **Sign of  $\Delta m^2_{32}$**
- ✓ **CP violation in lepton sector**

# $\sin\theta_{13}$ REACH vs. $E^\mu$ THRESHOLD



# SIGN OF $\Delta m^2_{32}$



# CP VIOLATION IN THE LEPTON SECTOR

