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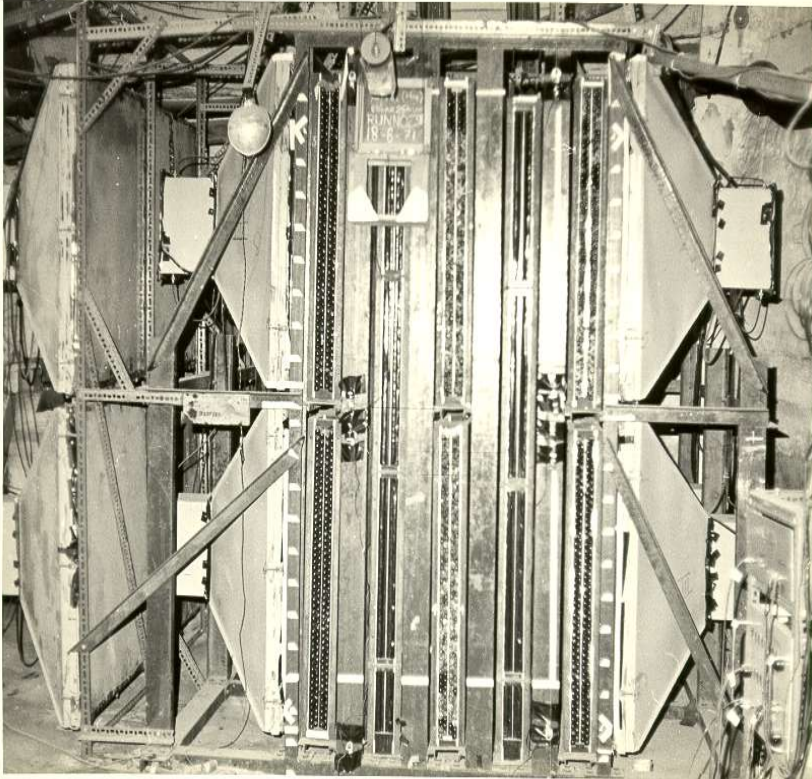
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Atmospheric Neutrinos

Atmospheric neutrino detector at Kolar Gold Field –1965



DETECTION OF MUONS PRODUCED BY COSMIC RAY NEUTRINO DEEP UNDERGROUND

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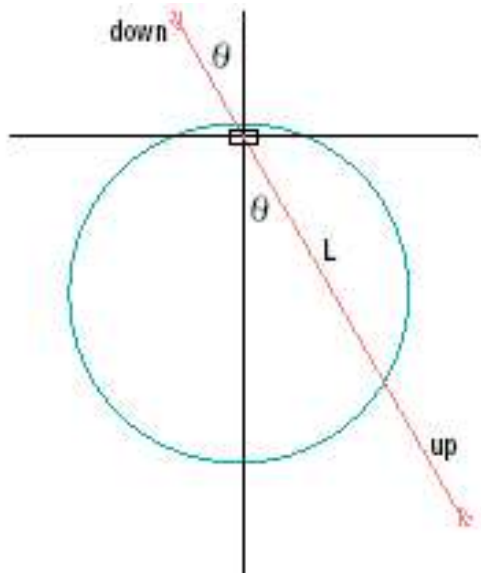
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Need For A Large Mass Magnetised Detector

- **Atmospheric Neutrino Physics now entering a new era.**
 - From observation of oscillation to precision measurement of parameters.
- **A large mass detector with a magnetic field is essential to achieve many of the physics goals.**
 - Reconfirmation of atmospheric neutrino oscillation through explicit observation of first oscillation swing as a fn. of L/E
 - Improved measurement of the oscillation parameters
 - Search for potential matter effect and sign of Δm_{23}
 - Discrimination between $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$ vs $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$
 - Probing CPT violation
 - CP violation in neutrino sector
 - Constraining long range leptonic forces
- **Need a detector of size 50 to 100 Kton having charge measurement capability**

Disappearance of ν_μ Vs. L/E

The disappearance probability can be measured with a **single detector** and **two equal sources**:

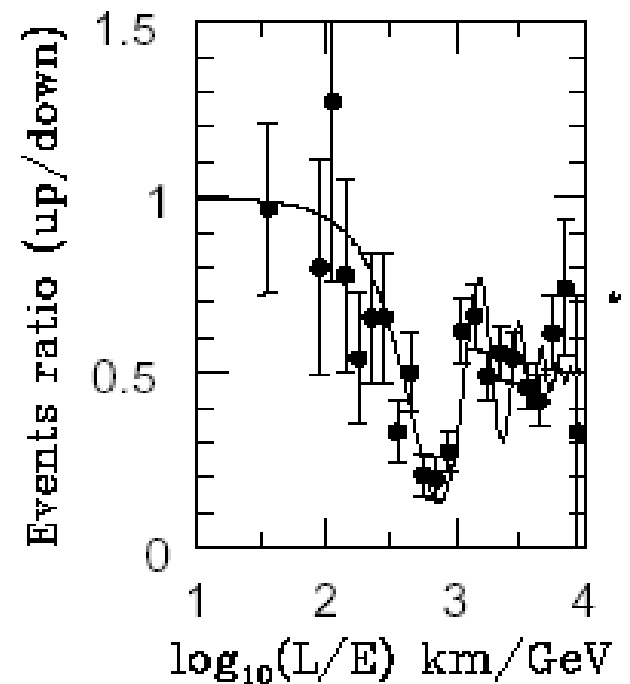
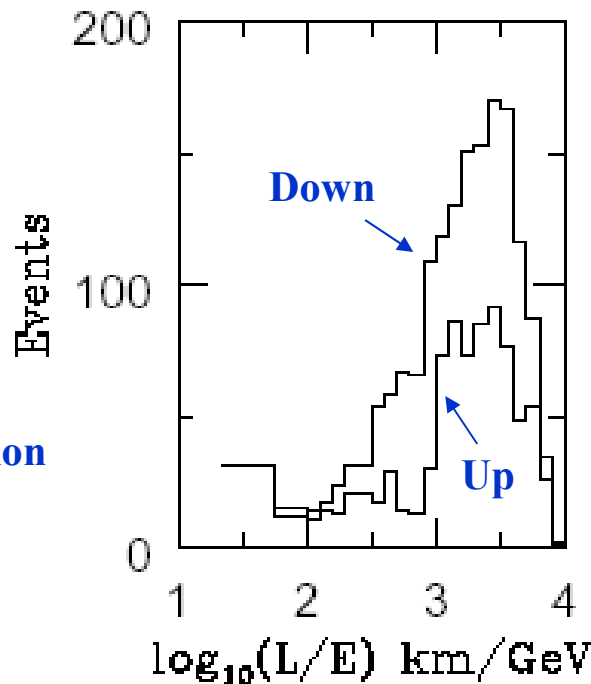


$$\frac{N_{\text{up}}(L/E)}{N_{\text{down}}(L'/E)} = P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu; L/E)$$

$$= 1 - \sin^2(2\Theta) \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m^2 L/E)$$

ν_μ

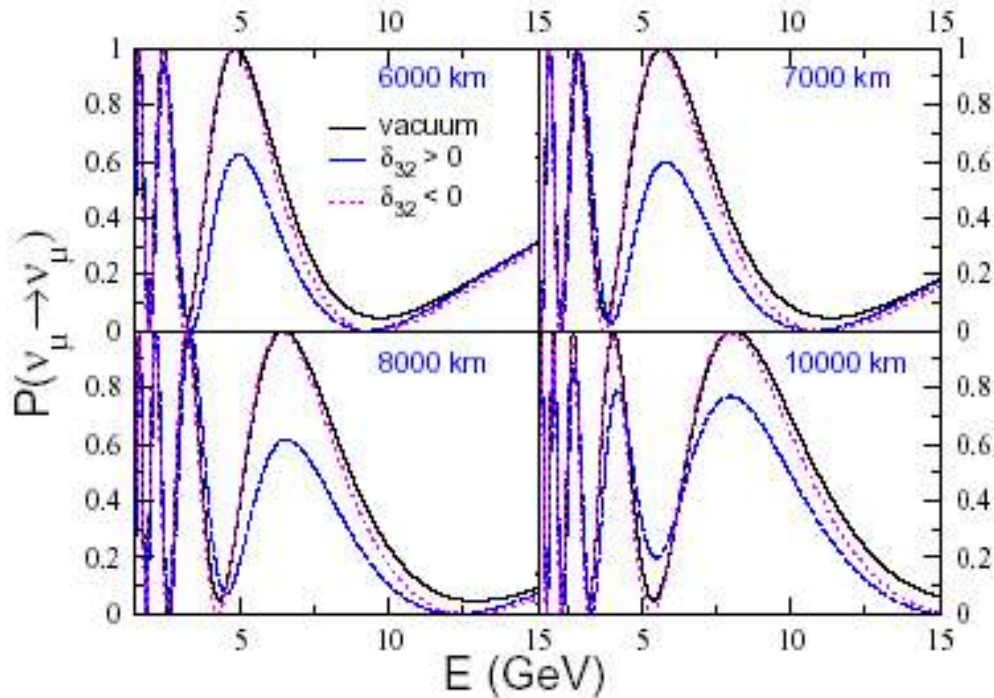
Expect to measure Δm^2 with 10% precision



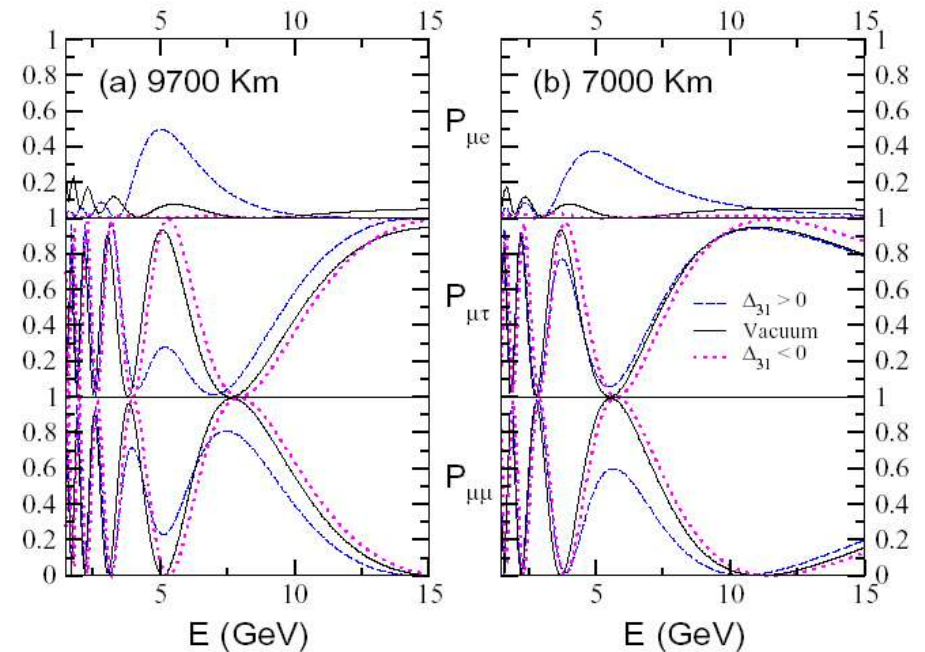
Matter Effect

Total no. of ν_μ charge current events:

$$N_\mu = N_n \times M_Y \int dE \int d \cos \theta_z \left[\frac{d^2 \phi_\mu}{dE d \cos \theta_z} P_{\mu\mu}(E, L) + \frac{d^2 \phi_e}{dE d \cos \theta_z} P_{e\mu}(E, L) \right] \sigma_\mu(E)$$

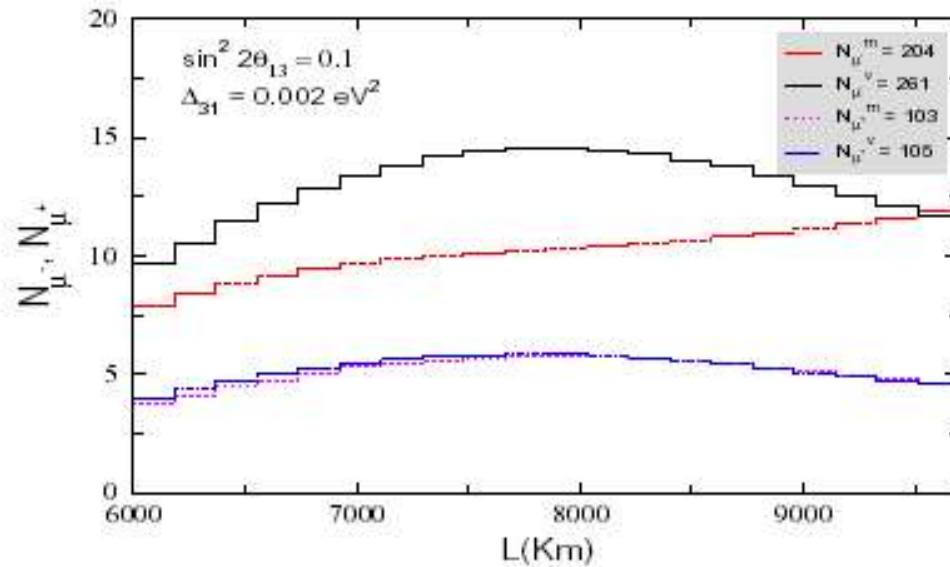


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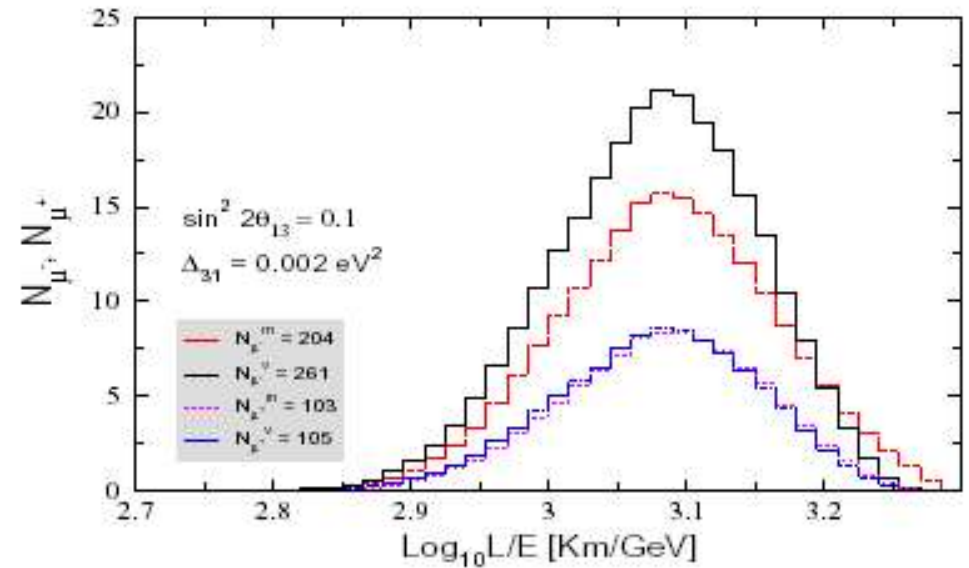
Matter Effect

L = 6000 to 9700 Km, E = 5 to 10 GeV



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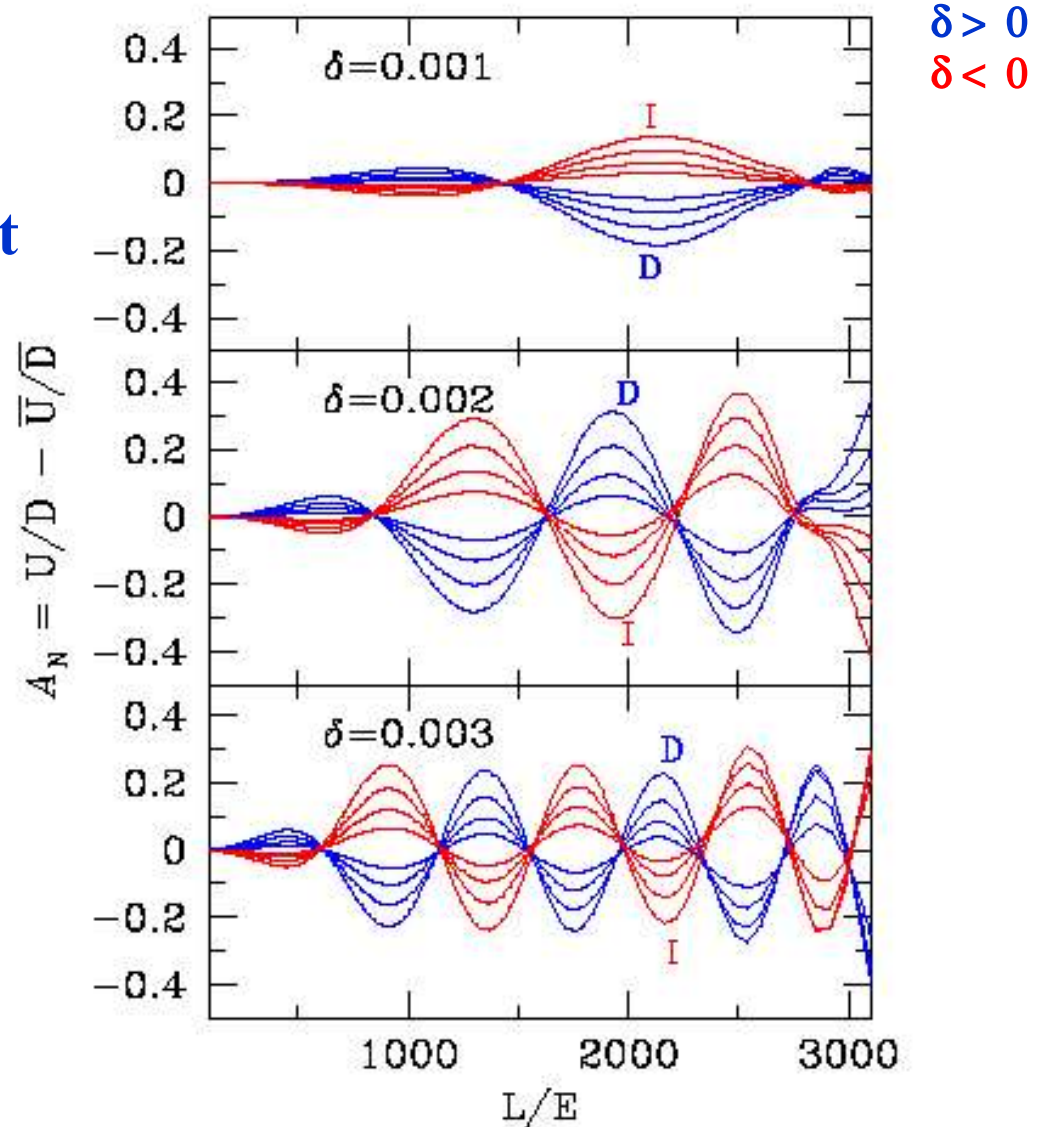
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Sign of Δm^2_{32}

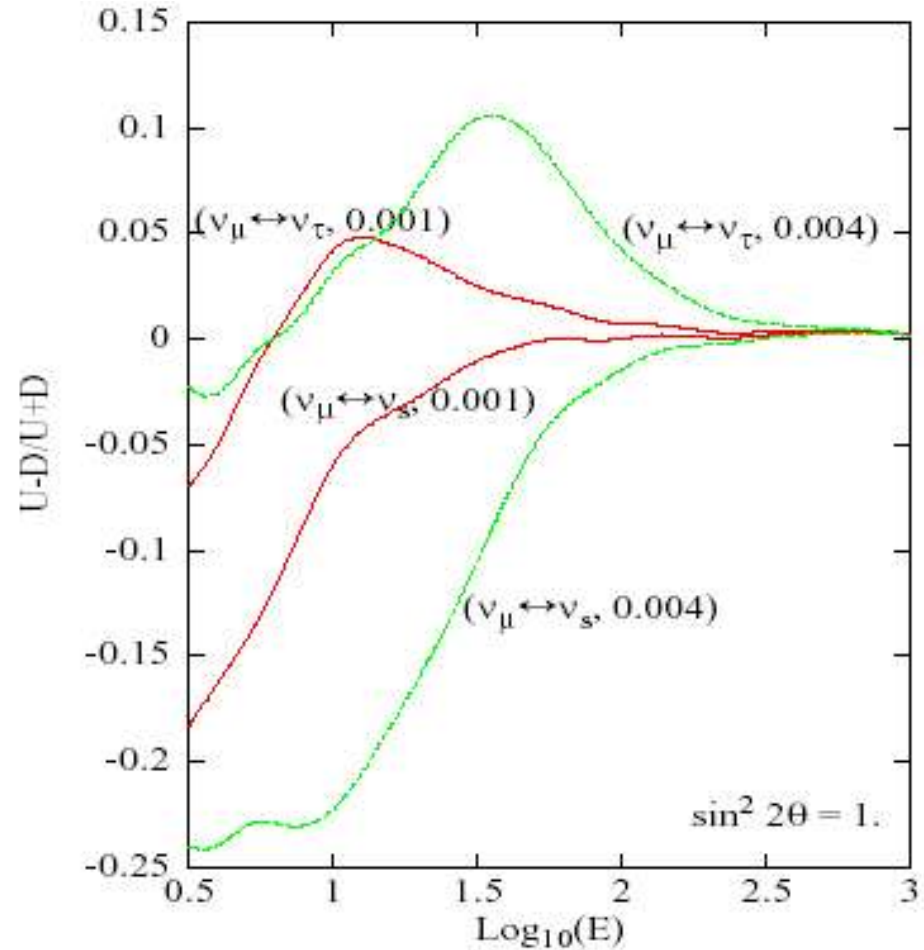
D. Indumathi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D71, 013001 (2005)

The neutrino and anti-neutrino up/down event ratios are different from each other as well as different with direct and inverted mass hierarchies.



$$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} \text{ VS } \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$$

$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$ events will give rise to excess of muonless events. There will be excess of upgoing muonless events.

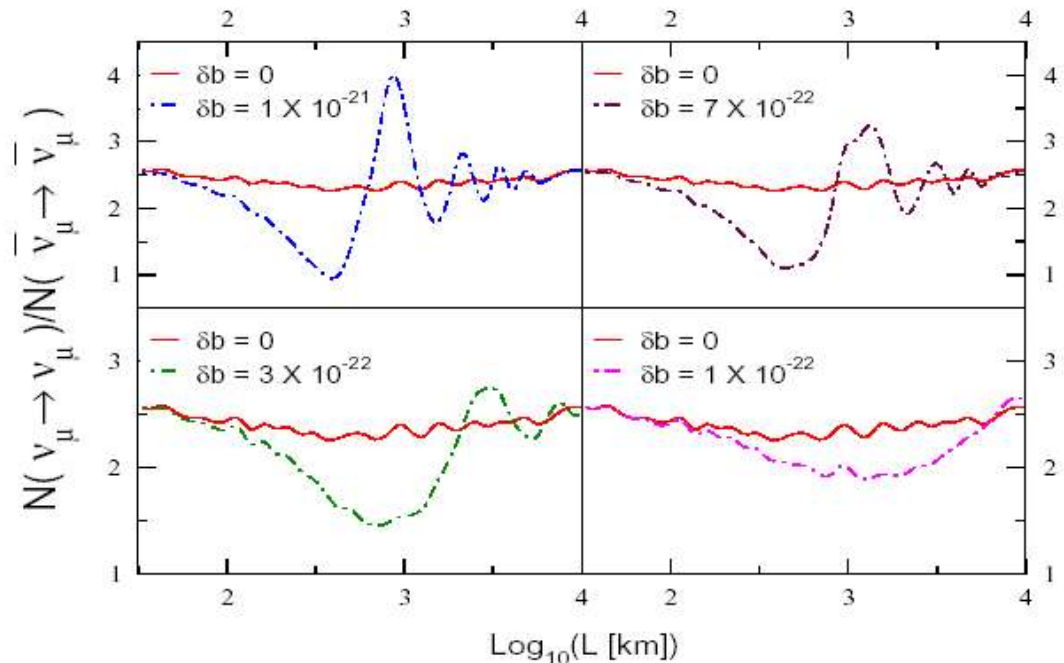


CPT Violation

The expression for survival probability for the case of CPTV 2-flavour oscillations

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

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



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

Choice of Neutrino Source and Detector

- **Neutrino Source**

- **Need to cover a large L/E range**
 - **Large L range**
 - **Large E_ν range**
- **Use Atmospheric neutrinos as source**

- **Detector Choice**

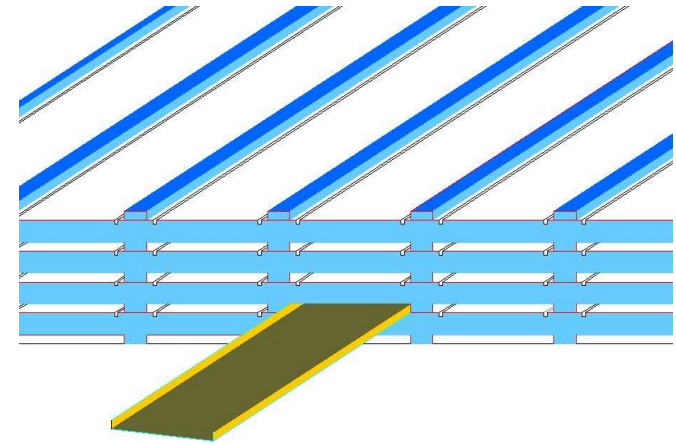
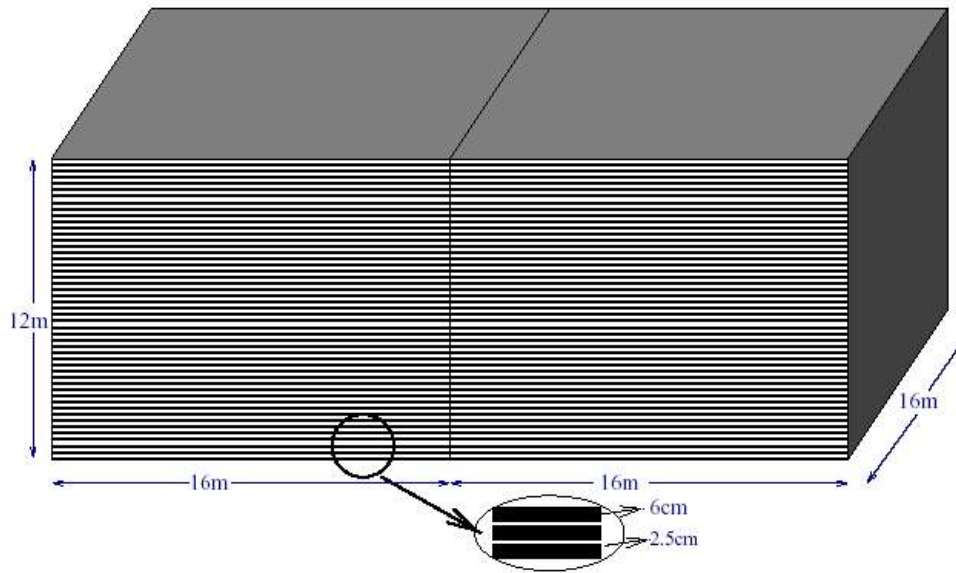
- **Should have large target mass (50-100 KT)**
- **Good tracking and Energy resolution (Tracking calorimeter)**
- **Good directionality (≤ 1 nsec time resolution)**
- **Ease of construction**
- **Modular with a possibility of phasing**
- **Use magnetised iron as target mass and RPC as active detector medium**

Current INO related activities

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

INO Detector Concept

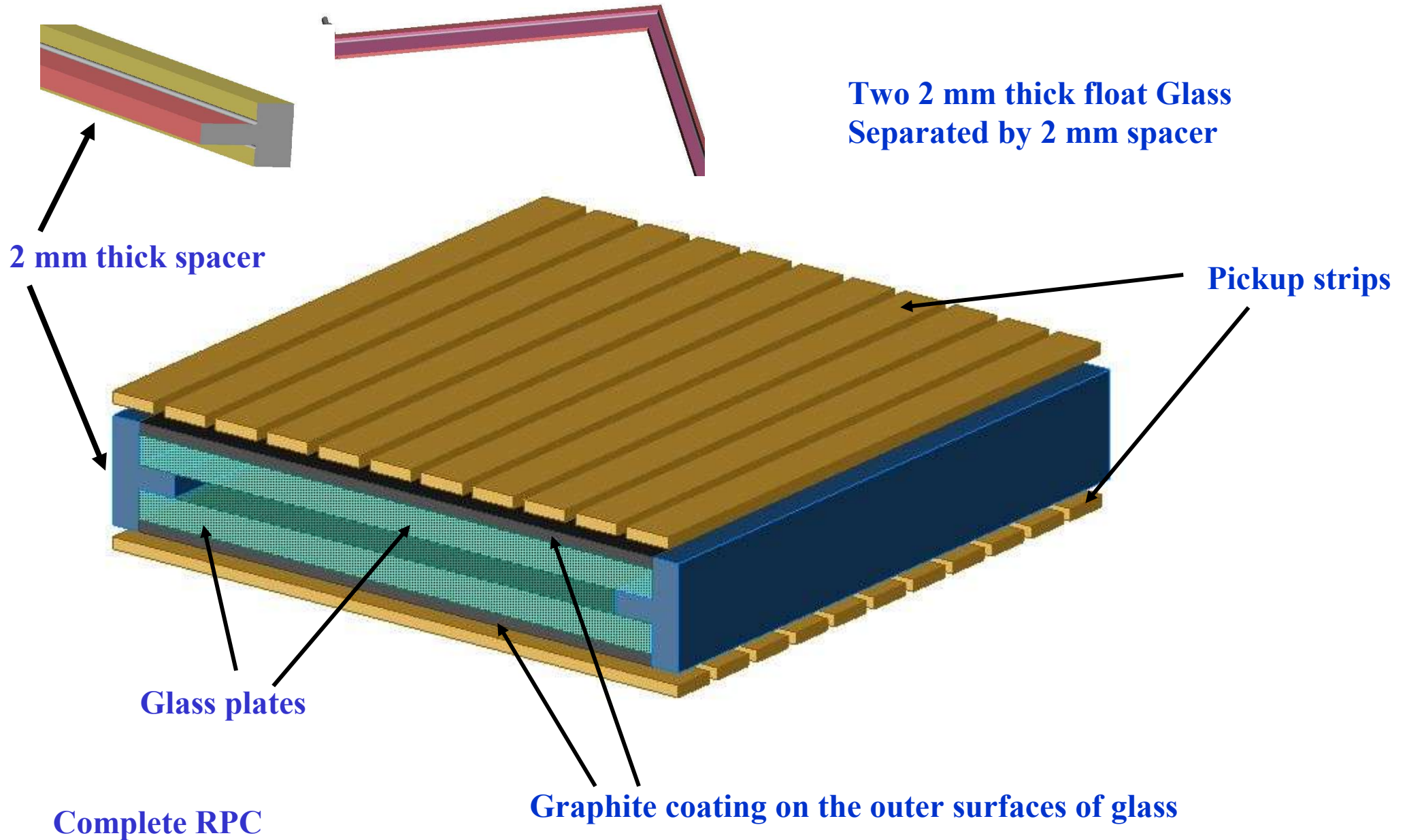
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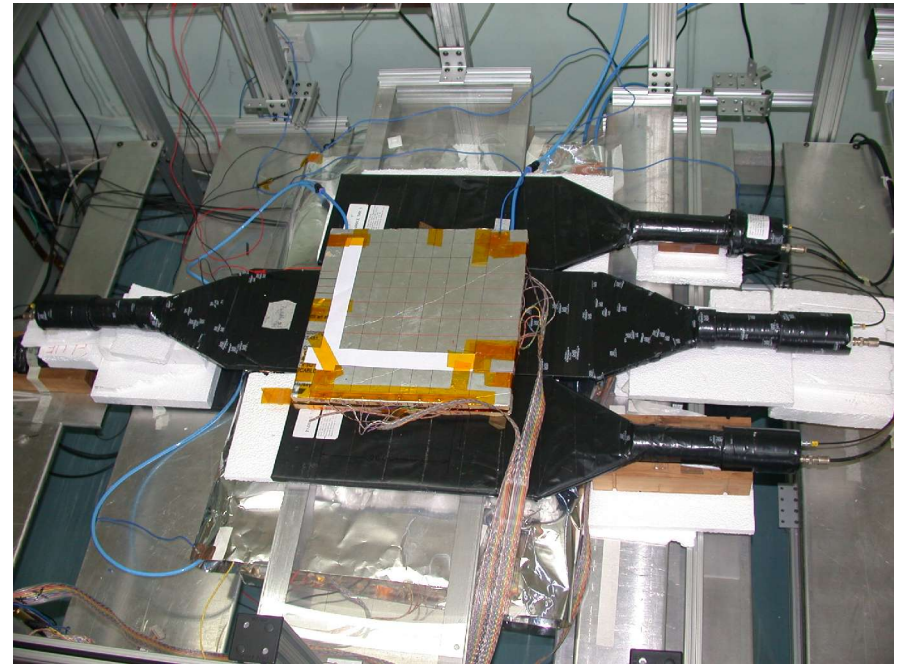
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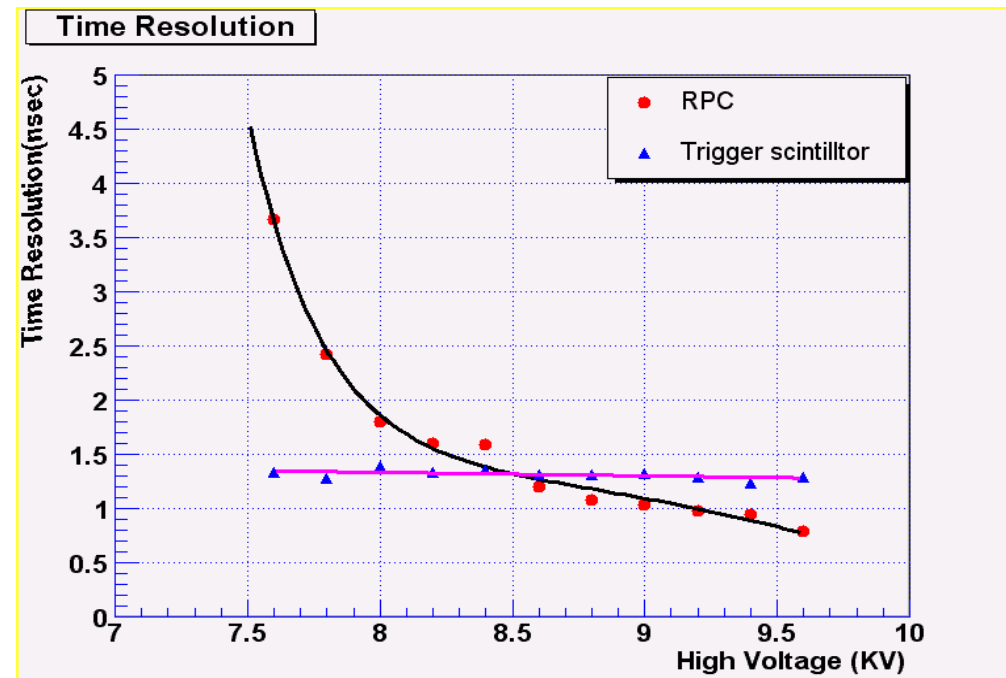
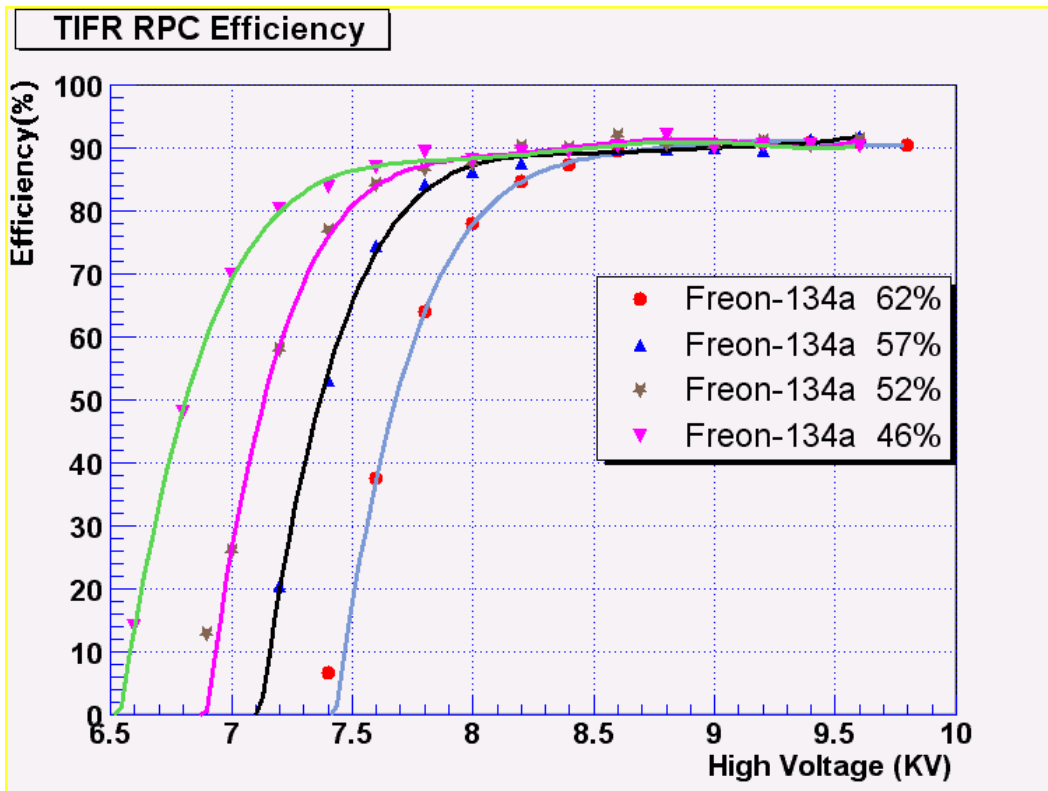
Construction of RPC



Test of RPCs



RPC Efficiency & timing Studies



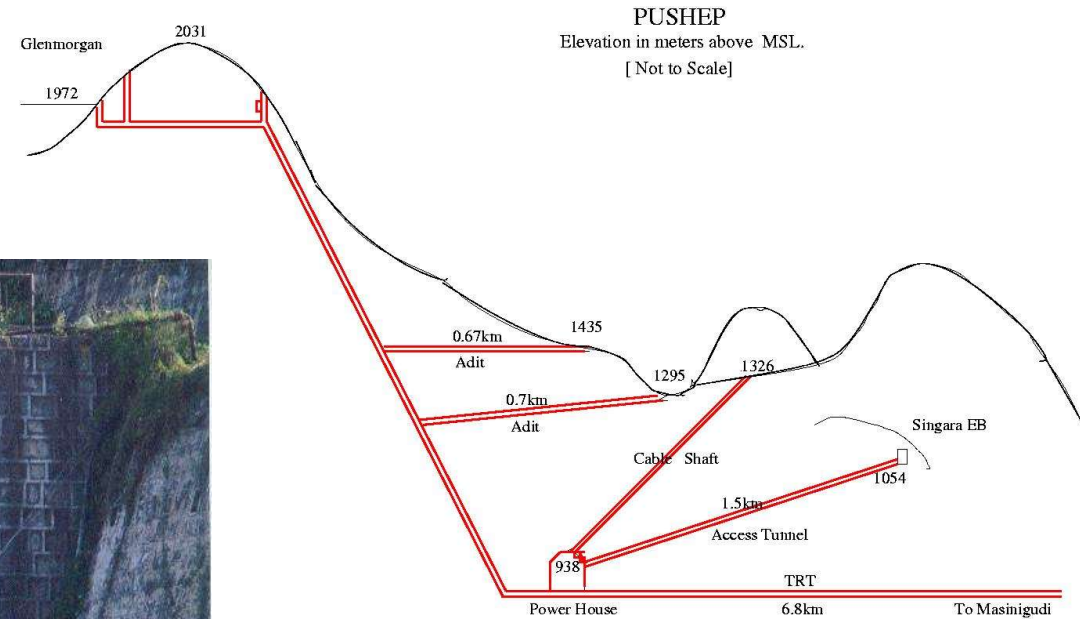
Detector and Physics Simulation

- **NUANCE Event Generator:**
 - Generate atmospheric neutrino events inside INO detector
- **GEANT Monte Carlo Package:**
 - Simulate the detector response for the neutrino event
- **Event Reconstruction:**
 - Fits the raw data to extract neutrino energy and direction
- **Physics Performance of the baseline INO detector.**
 - Analysis of reconstructed events to extract physics.

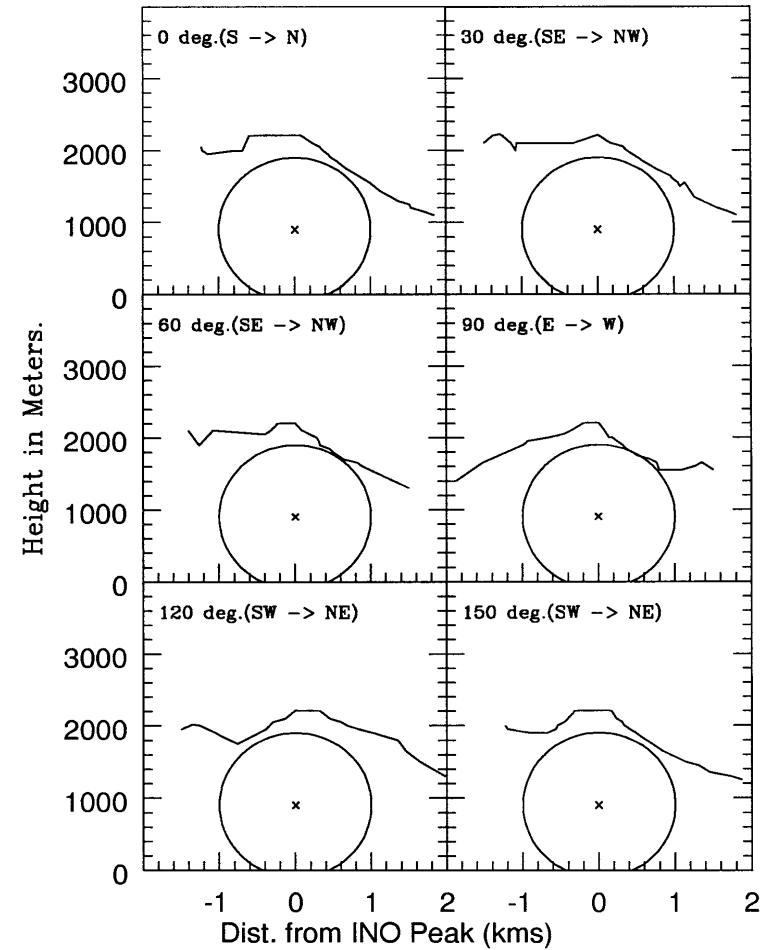
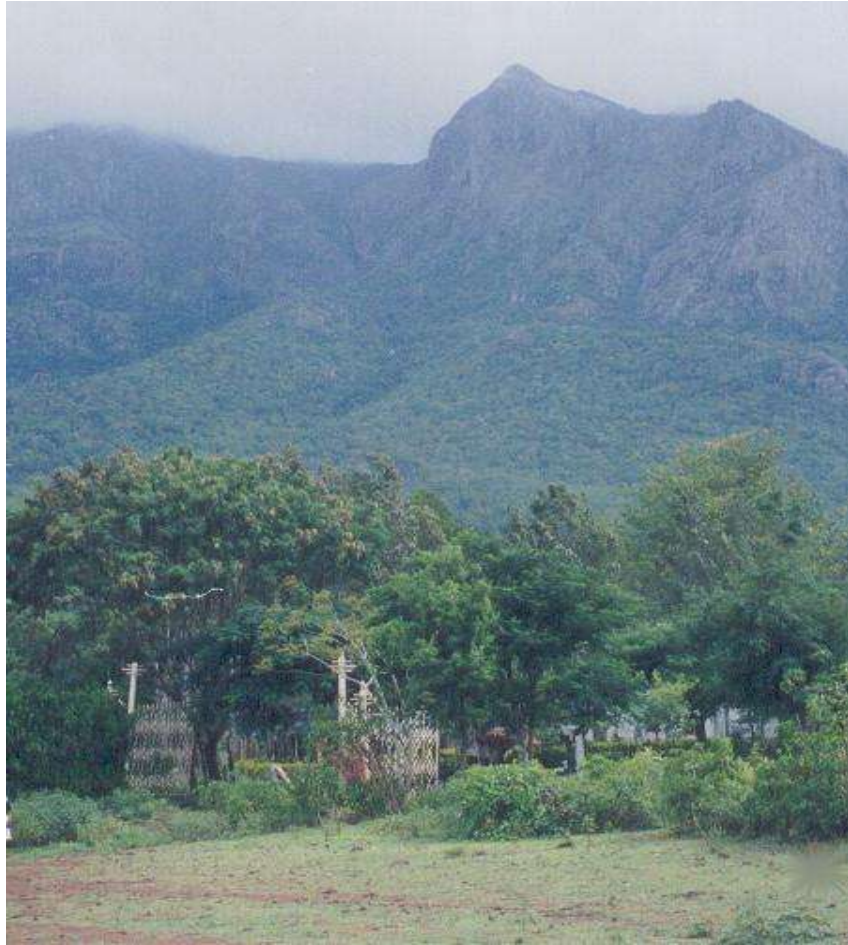
These studies are going on at all the collaborating institutes

Possible INO sites

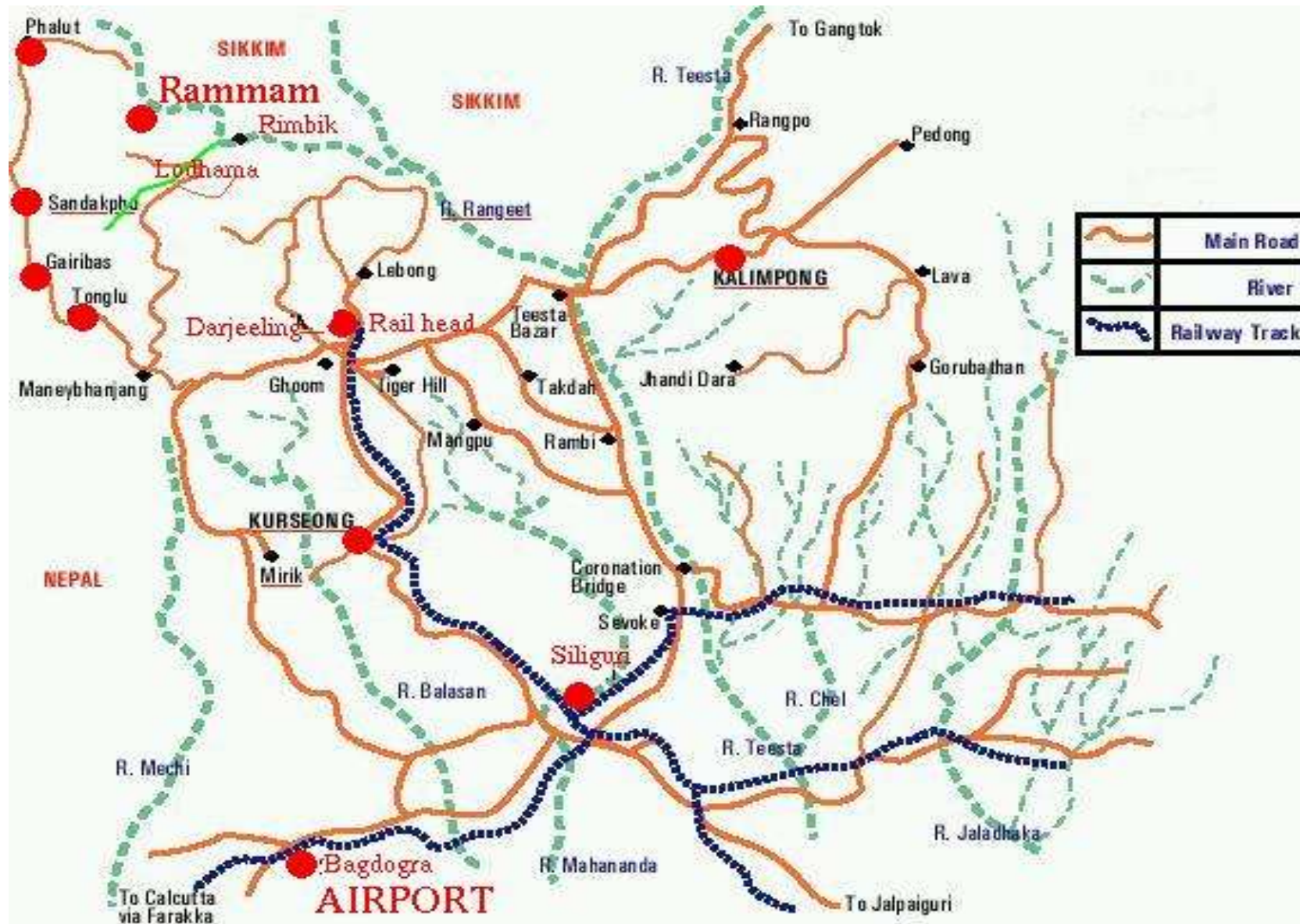
- **PUSHEP (Pykara Ultimate Stage Hydro Electric Project) in South India**
or
- **RAMMAM Hydro Electric Project Site**



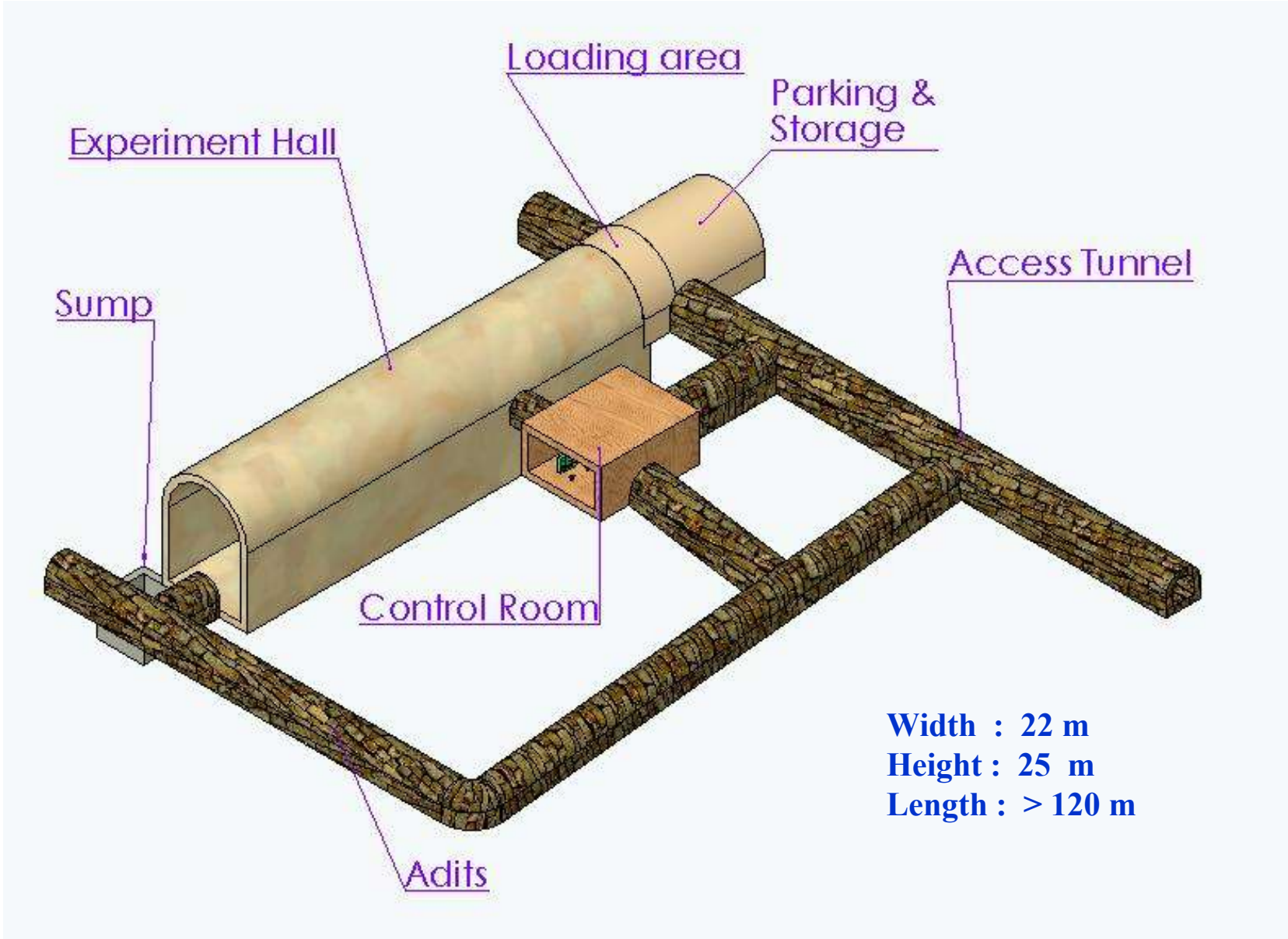
PUSHEP



Location of Rammam



Underground Cavern



Summary

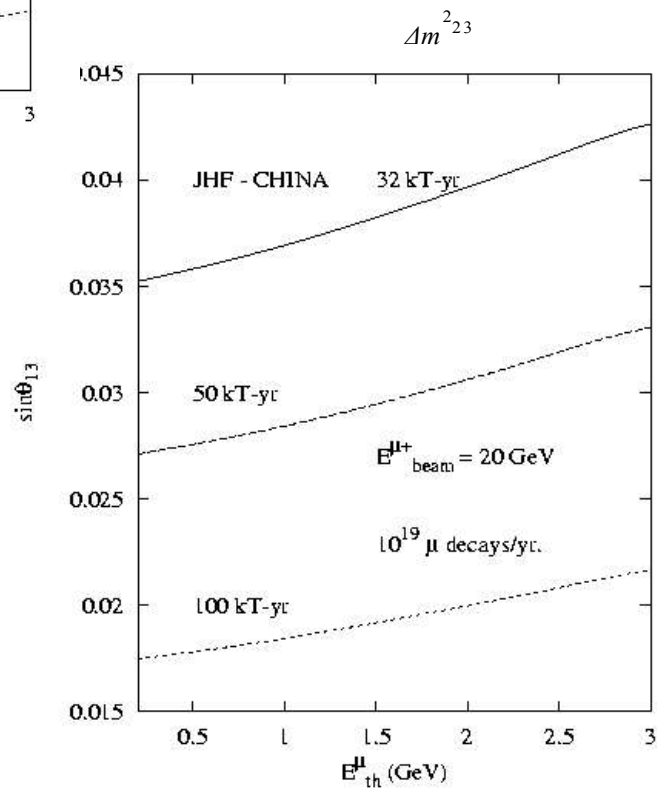
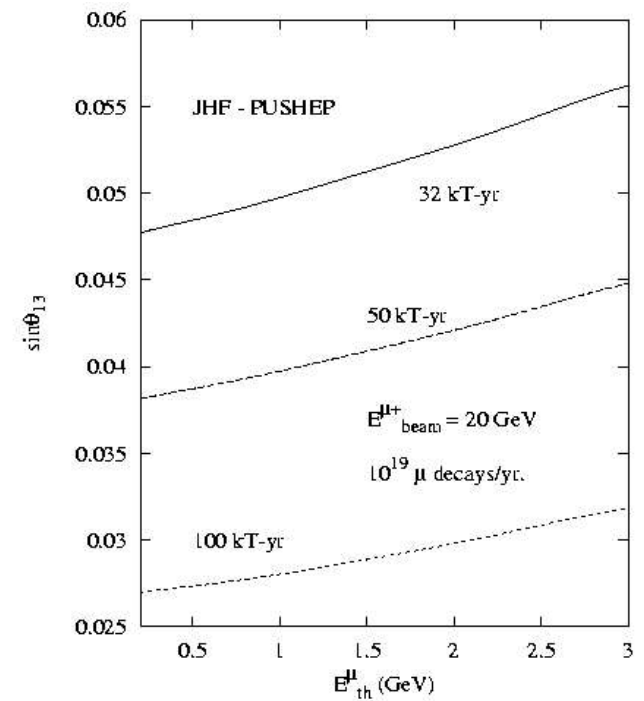
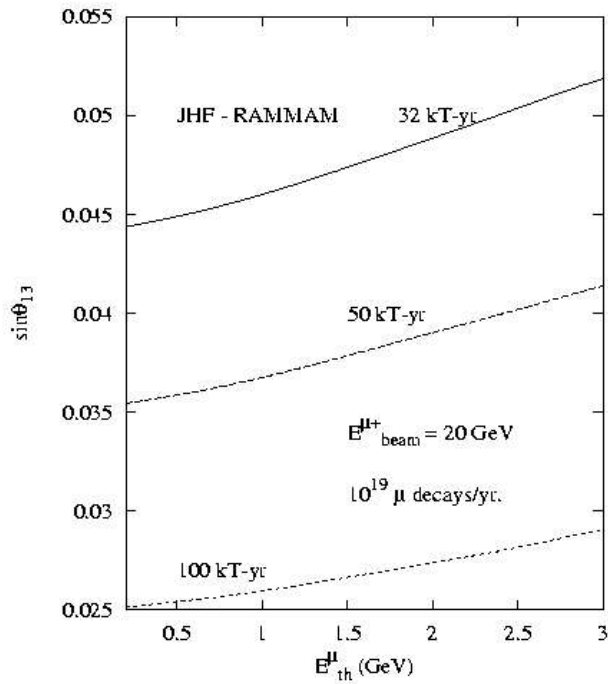
- **A large magnetised detector of 50-100 Kton is needed to achieve some of the very exciting physics goals using neutrinos.**
- **A case for such a detector was highlighted earlier by the Monolith Collaboration.**
- **Physics case for such a detector is strong as evident from recent publications.**
- **It will complement the existing and planned water cherenkov detectors.**
- **Can be used as a far detector during neutrino factory era.**
- **We have started a very active R & D work towards building such a detector.**
- **Looking for participation from international neutrino community.**

Physics with Neutrinos from Beam

Physics with A Fe Calorimeter and a Neutrino Factory Beam

- Reach and measure of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$
- The sign of Δm_{32}^2
- Determining if CP violation is present in the leptonic sector

Measure of $\sin \theta_{13}$



Sign of Δm_{23}^2

