T2K/SK/HK Group Update

(All the Kamiokandes)













Hyper-Kamiokande

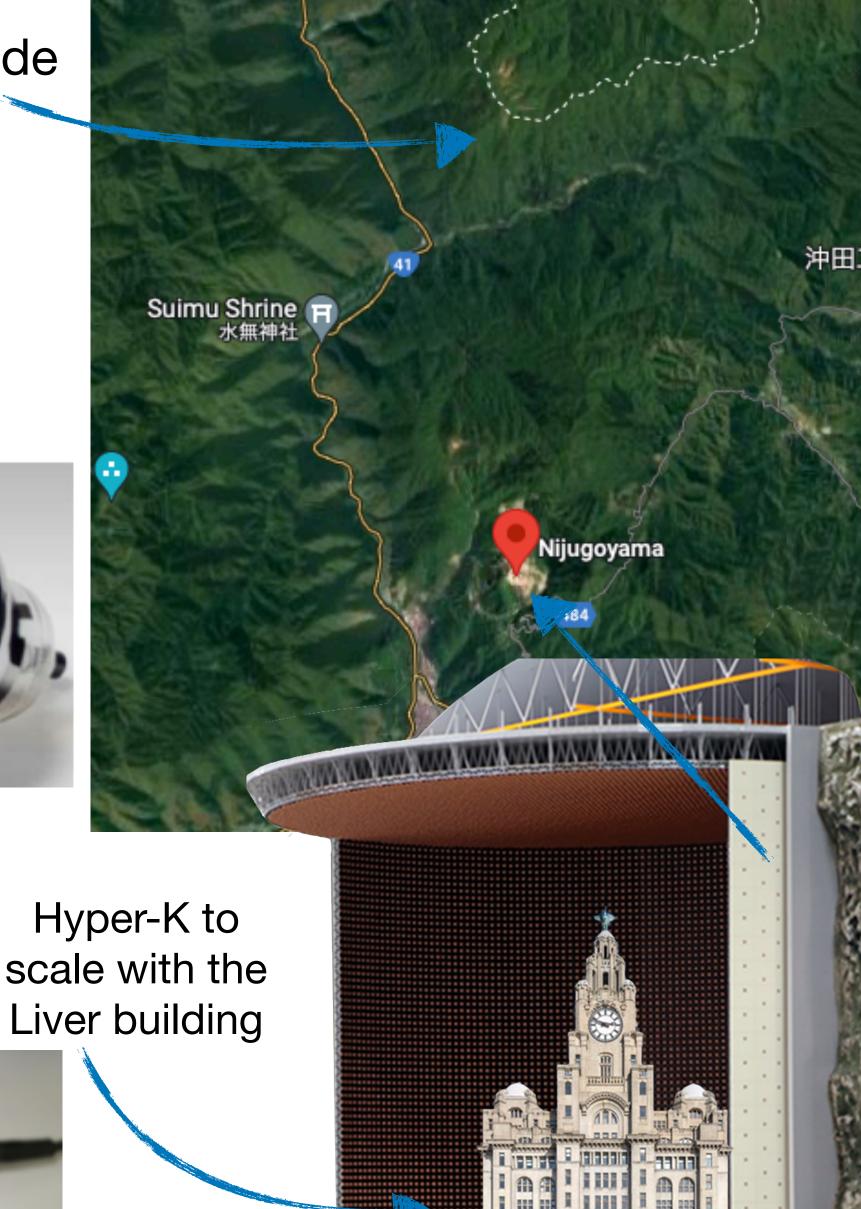
Super-Kamiokande

- 258 kton volume water Cherenkov detector
 - 216 kton inner detector (~187 kton fiducial volume)
 - 1 m thick outer detector used as a veto region
 - Optically separated using high reflectivity Tyvek sheets
- Instrumented with
 - 20000 50cm PMTs (ID)
 - ~7000 8cm PMTs (OD)
 - ~1400 mPMTs
- UK funding has been confirmed, all Liverpool contributions going ahead

mPMTs provide improved timing and spatial resolutions - Neil chaired mPMT review

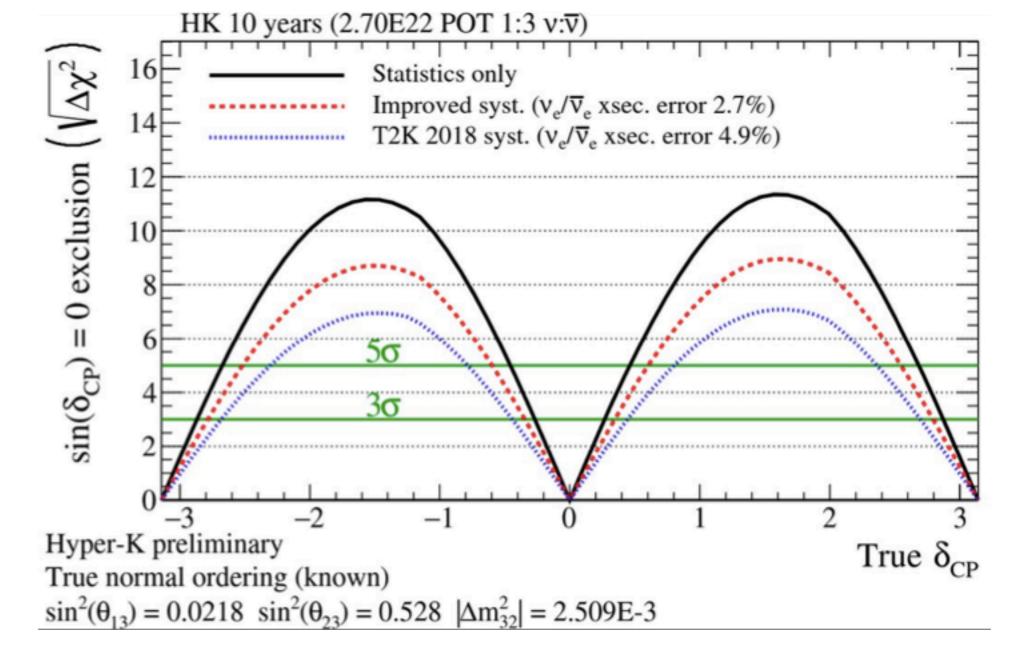




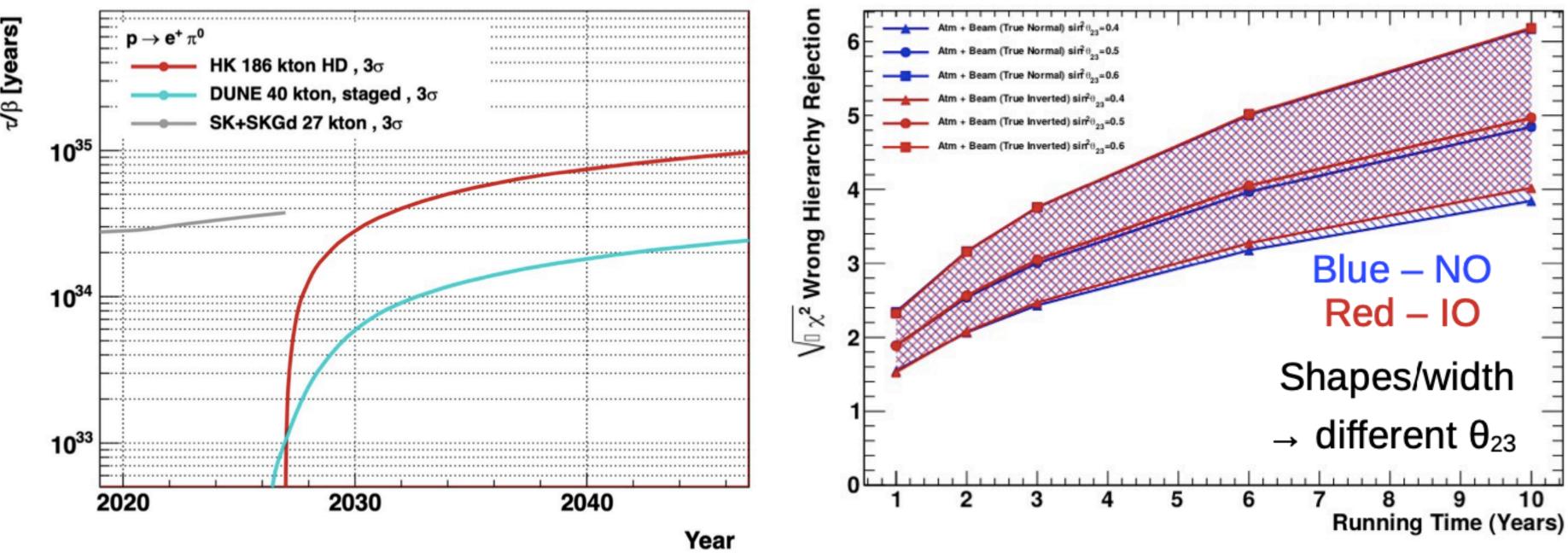


Physics Goals

- Aiming to start data taking in 2027
- Wide programme of physics goals
- Neutrino oscillations
 - CP violation
 - Mass ordering
 - θ_{23} octant
 - Solar neutrinos
- Proton decay
- Supernovae alarm
- SN relic neutrinos







Group Members



- Neil McCauley
- Jon Coleman
- Sam Jenkins
- ∀ Ka Ming Tsui → Ellen Sandford
 - David Payne

See Ellen's talk later today

- Balint Bogdan
- Ashley Greenall
- Pruthvi Mehta

Optical fibre testing for light injection

ID injector

map

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- UK group developing light injection calibration system, similar to UKLI in SK
- Series of collimators and diffusers illuminated by laser (ID) and LED pulser (OD)
- Liverpool group in charge of optical fibre specification and testing
- New optics lab in chemistry building set up and equipped for this



Optical fibre testing for light injection

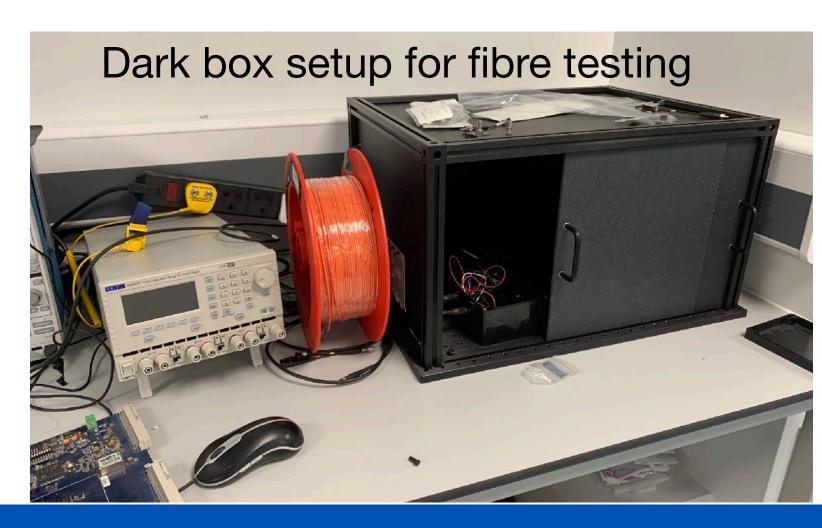
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Balint, Matt
Jarosiewicz (UG)

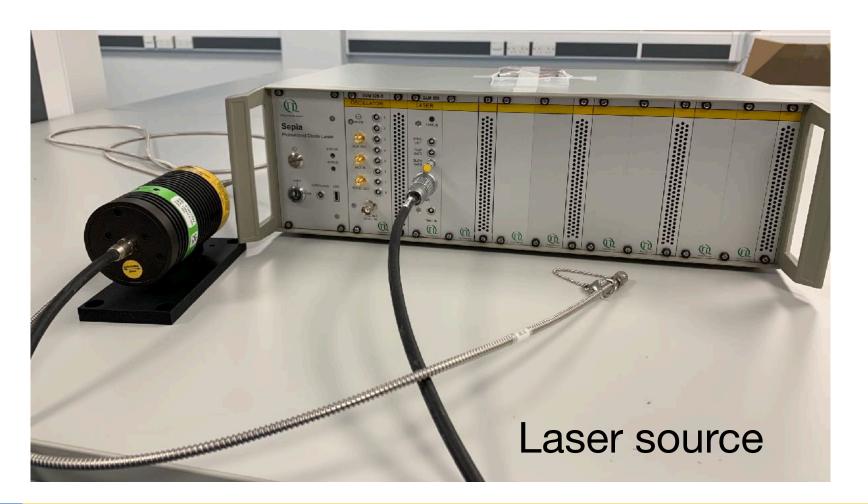


- Currently testing 6 possible fibre reels using pulsed LED sources, with help of an undergrad project student
- Aiming to start testing with laser source imminently

Once fibre specifications are narrowed down, tests will be repeated with full 150m reels required for HK

✓ Neil is also working on integration plan for how we install these into Hyper-K — planning to perform installation training in the Oliver Lodge stairwell

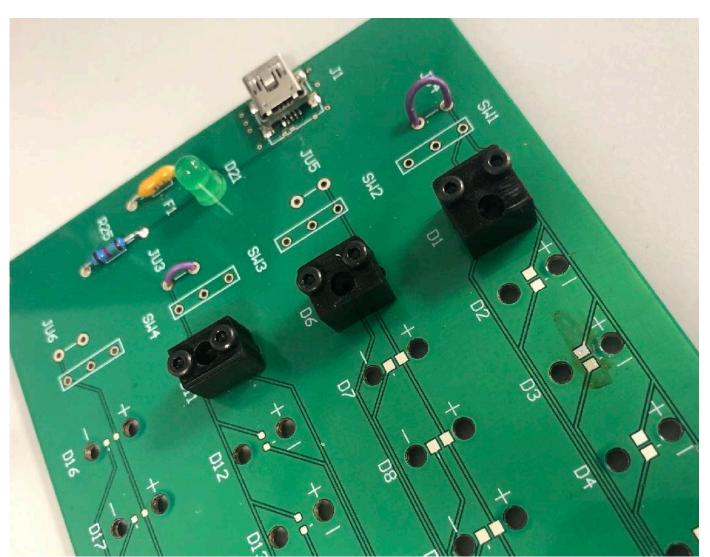




Accurate fibre installation simulation spaceTM

LED pulser boards

- Pulser board based off original SK boards, with new design being evaluated - 3 separate switches on prototype board
- New FPGA boards for motherboard design planned
- Current pulse length down to 3ns Balint is working to improve this further
- Surface mounted LEDs crucial for fast timing, requires new solution for LED-fibre coupling



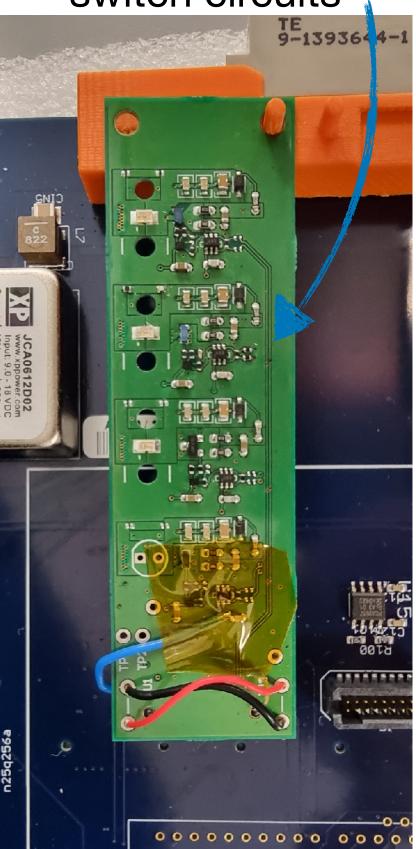
- 3D printing the connectors allows us to optimise light collection efficiency
- Screw mounted connectors perform significantly better than previous design at minimising light loss

Work by Kenny Hignett (UG)

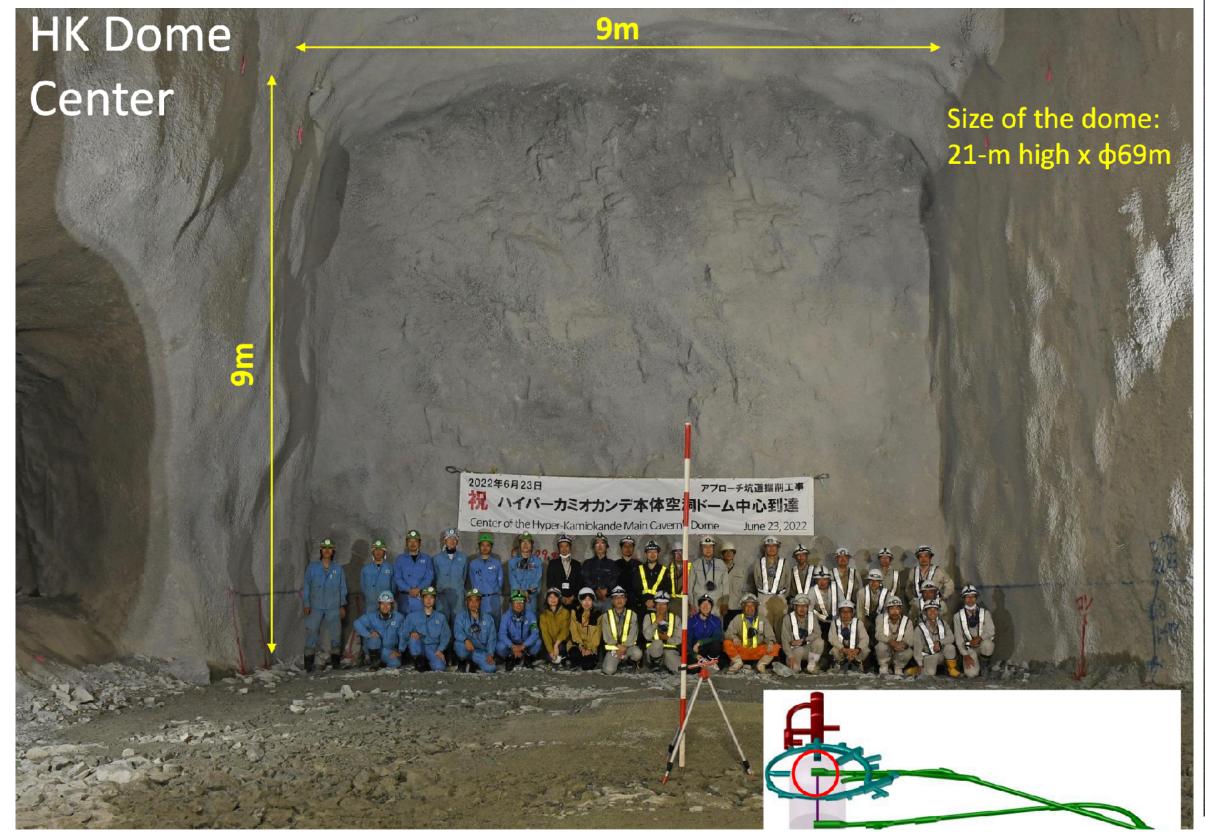




Prototype board with 3 different switch circuits

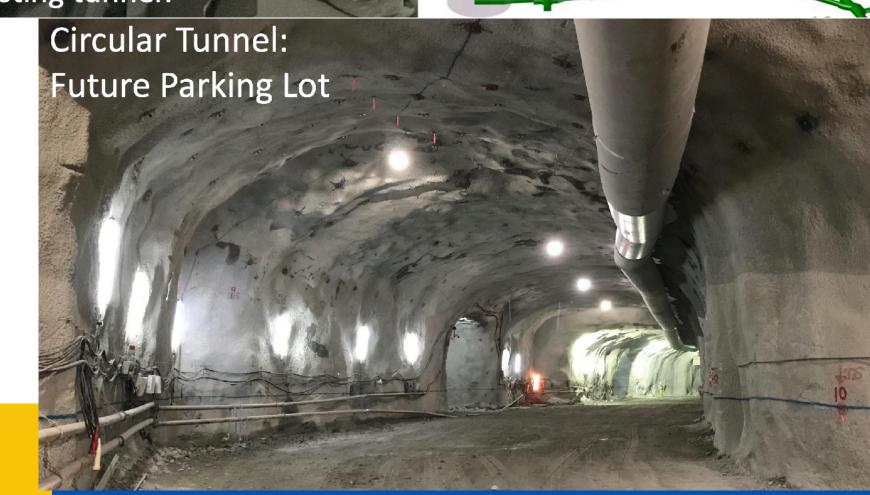


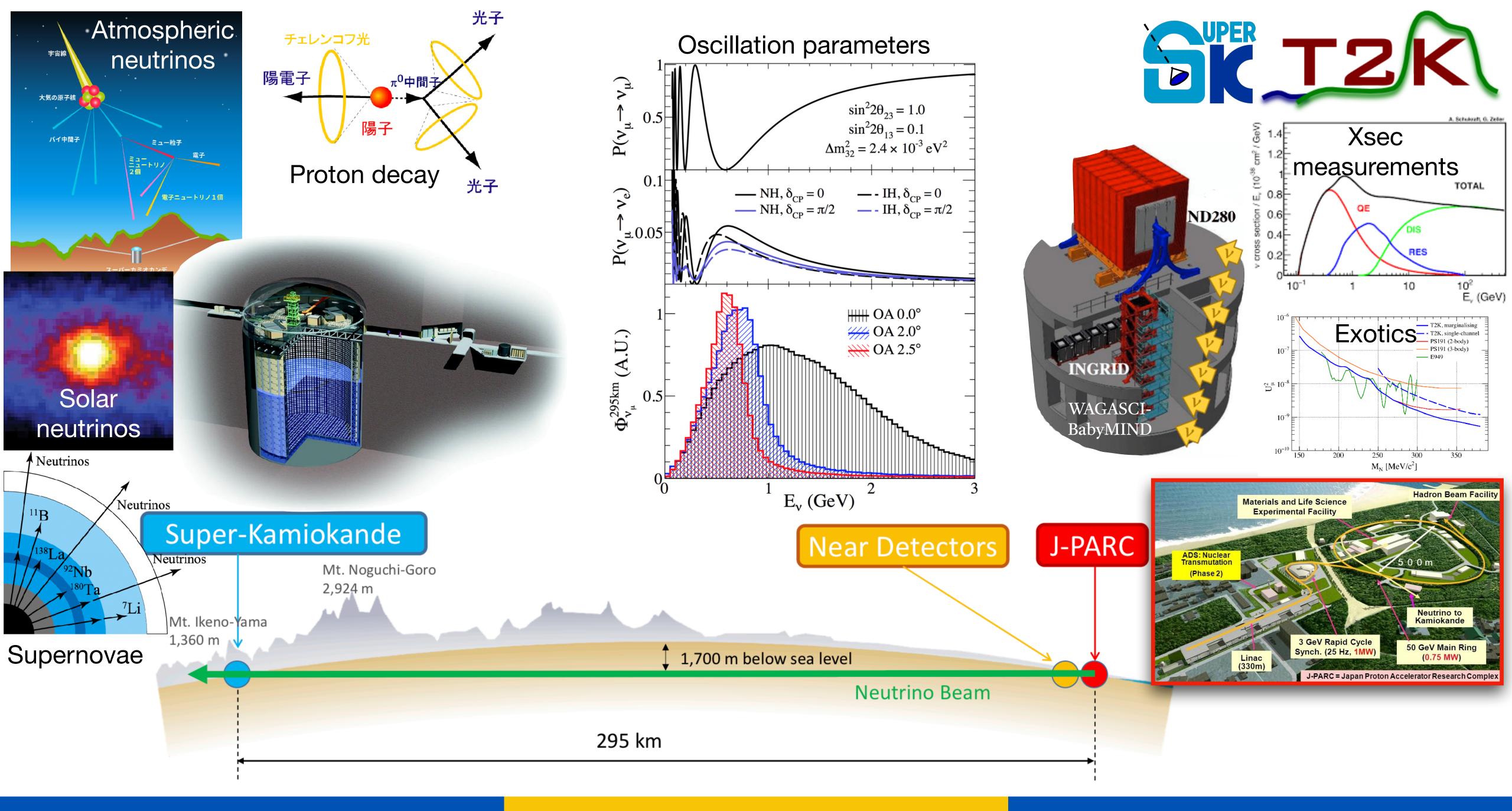
Construction Status





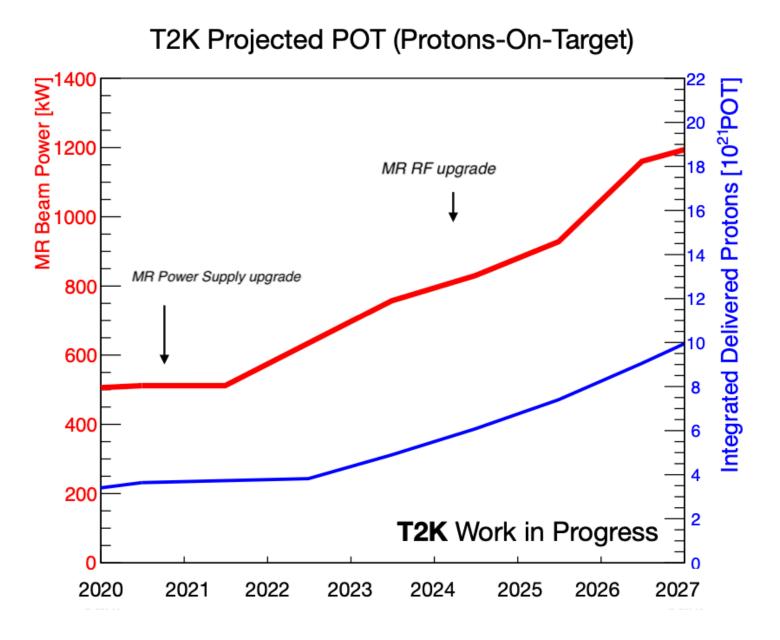
- Dome centre excavation completed last year
- Third of six stages of full dome excavation was underway as of March

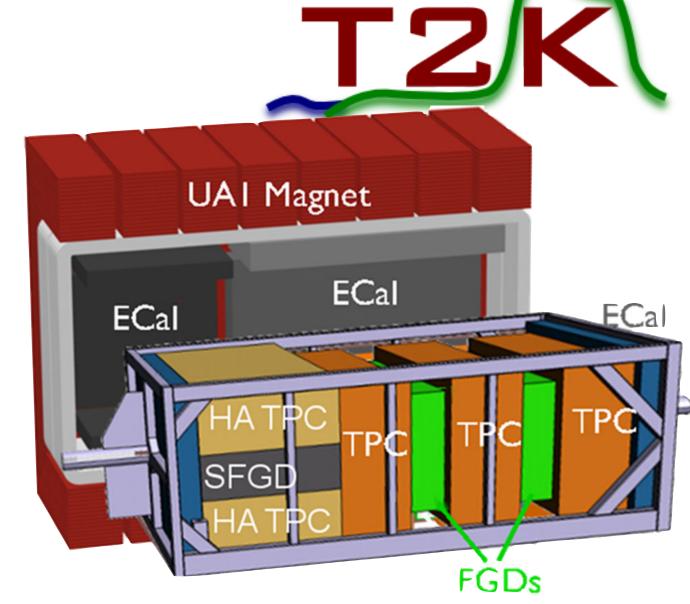




T2K Status

- ♥ ND280 undergoing major upgrade PØD to be replaced with SuperFGD, high-angle TPCs and TOF detectors
- PØD already removed, SFGD fibre threading and cabling recently finished
- Final HA-TPC configuration undergoing cosmic test currently
- ♥ TOF shipping CERN → JPARC next month for installation in ~July
- Due to start taking data with full upgrade configuration next year
- Significant upgrade of the Main Ring over the next few years to bring the beam power up to 1.3 MW
- Ongoing joint analysis between T2K and NOvA







Group Members



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- ♥ Kostas Mavrokoridis TZK
- Jon Coleman TZK
- Sam Jenkins Strate
- - David Payne TZK



- Balint Bogdan
- Ashley Greenall
- Carl Metelko TZK
- Gabriel Penn JZK
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 - ♥ Jaiden Parlone ▼ZK
 - Adam Tarrant
 - Patrick Bates TZK

Oscillation analysis

OA2021

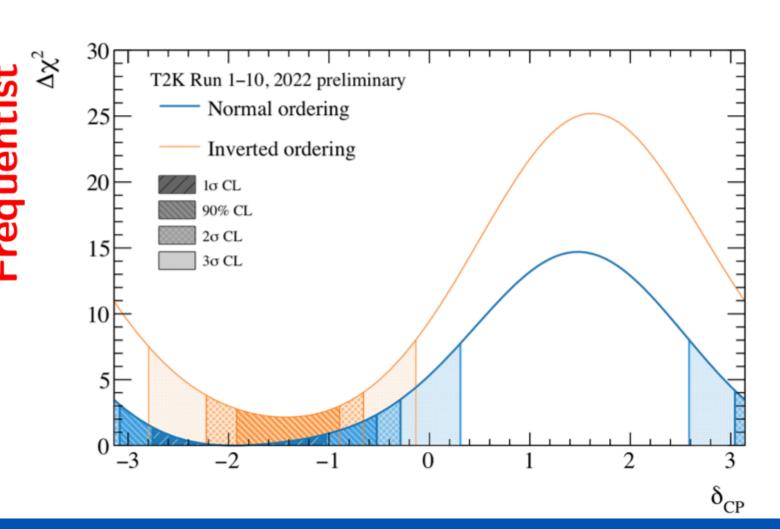
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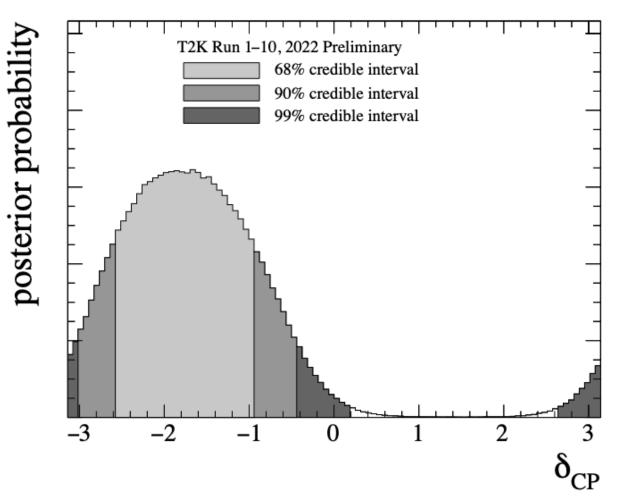
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OÀ2023 POT



- Two current ongoing oscillation analyses: OA2021 and OA2023
- OA2021 has several new additions:
 - Non-CCQE focused sample ($\nu_{\mu}CC1\pi^{+}$) providing 40% increase to muon-like events in ν -mode
 - Number of neutrino interaction model parameters increased from 47 to 75, covering previous deficiencies
 - Updated flux tuning from replica target data
- \heartsuit OA2023 is mostly a stats update, with increase protons on target for ν -mode
- Jaiden uses the VALOR fit framework to cross check results





 δ_{CP} best fit at -2.18 (-0.694 π), CP conserving values 0 and π are outside of 90% CL intervals



Work by Jaiden

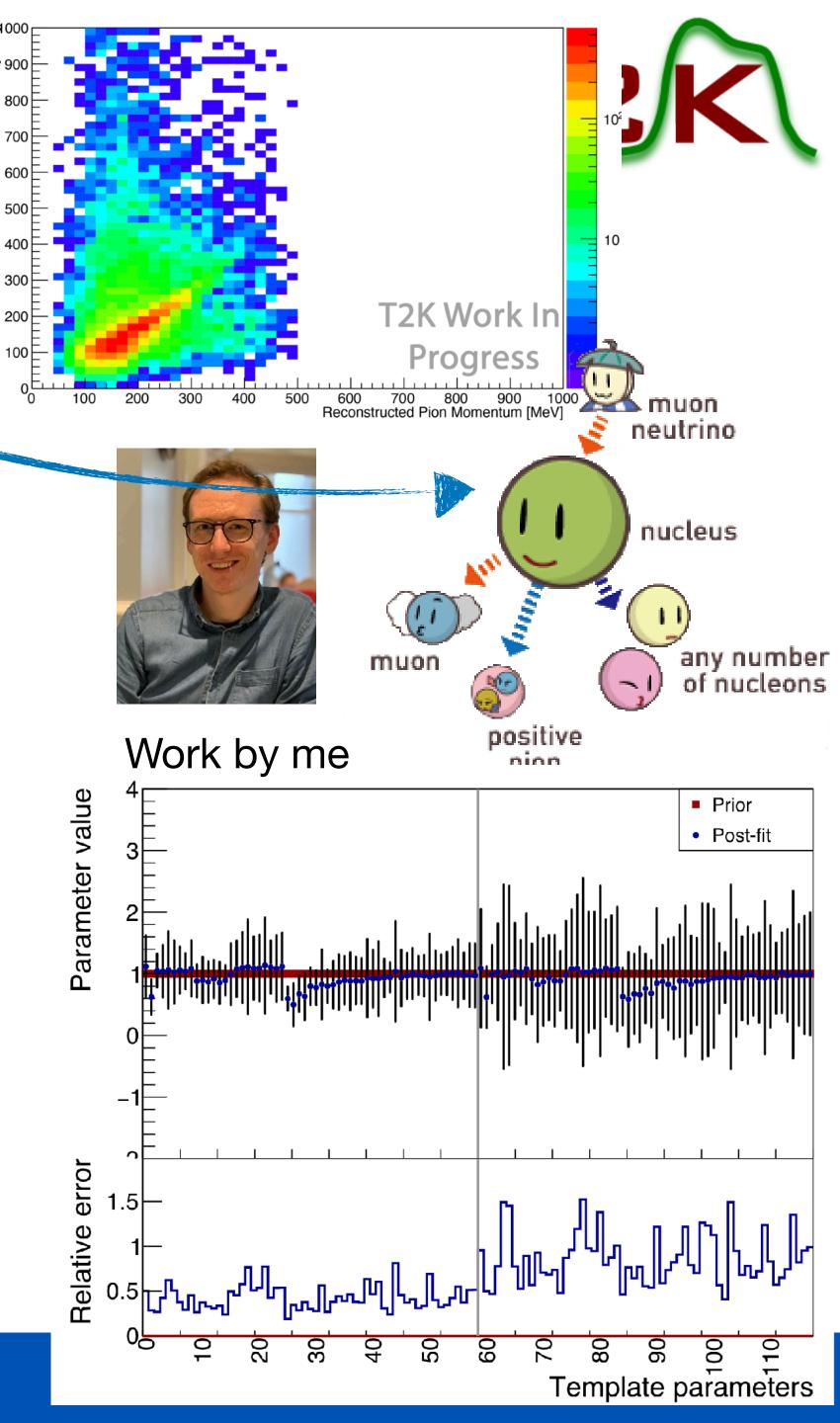
See Jaiden's poster for more info!

Cross-section measurement

- I'm working on measurement of the single pion production cross section on water and hydrocarbon
- Resonant events such as these are a significant background to the CCQE dominated OA
- ♥ Technique developed to reconstruct short-range pion momentum from range of Michel electrons produced - first use of this in T2K
- Fit MC to data using binned template likelihood fit, then calculate xsec per kinematic bin as

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dx}\right)_{i} = \frac{N_{i,true}^{sig}}{\epsilon_{i}\phi T\Delta x_{i}}$$

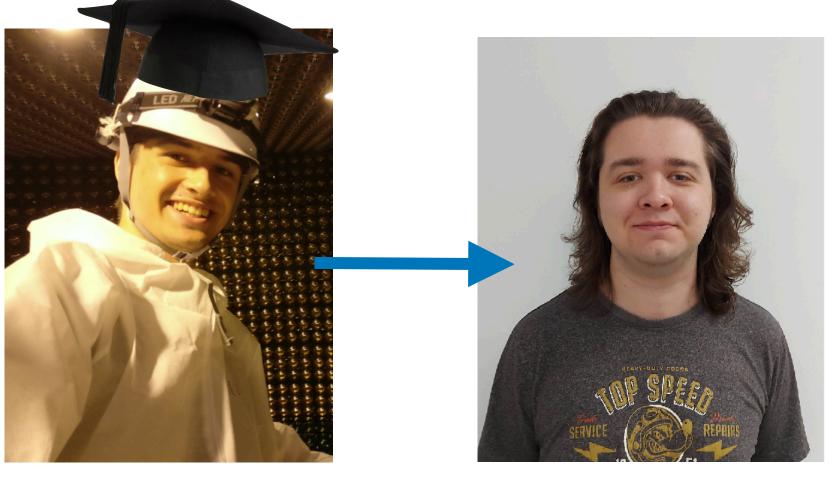
Currently performing physically motived fake data studies to test fitter robustness and error coverage, before unblinding to data



Global PID tools



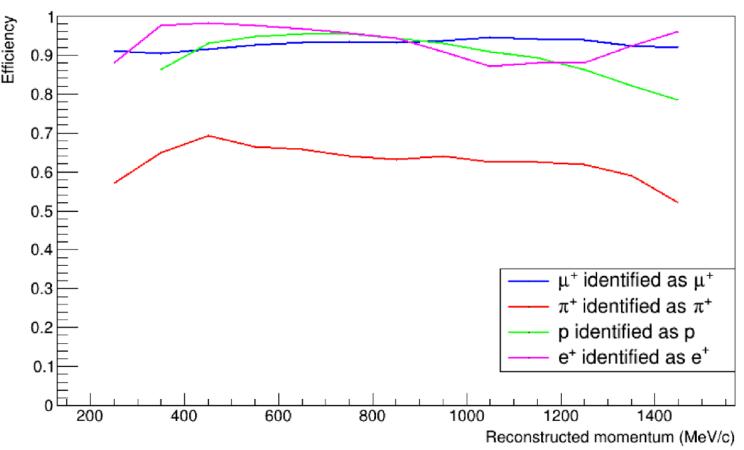
- ND280 composed of multiple sub-detectors, giving several PID related quantities
- Rather than rectangular cuts, use a multi-variate approach
- High efficiency BDT-based selection, which significantly outperforms standard PID method
- Patrick is taking this over, extending to full ND280 coverage and applying it to ND280 Upgrade

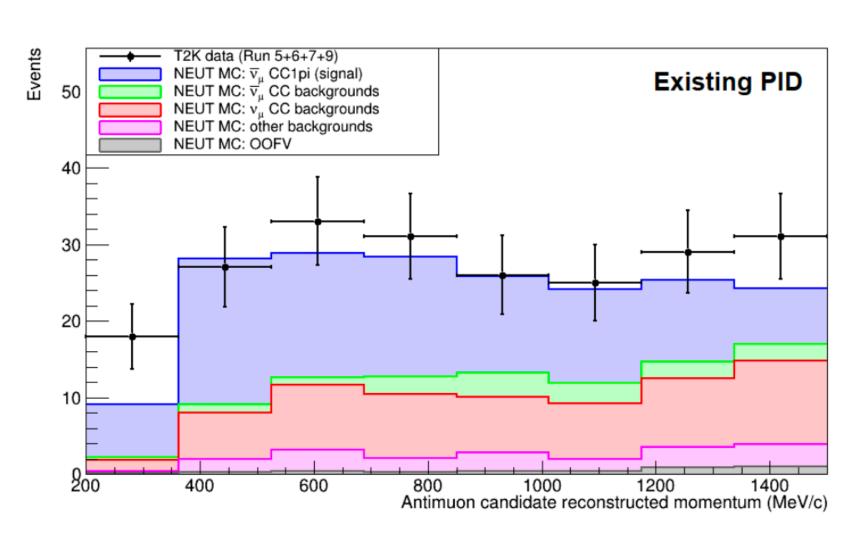


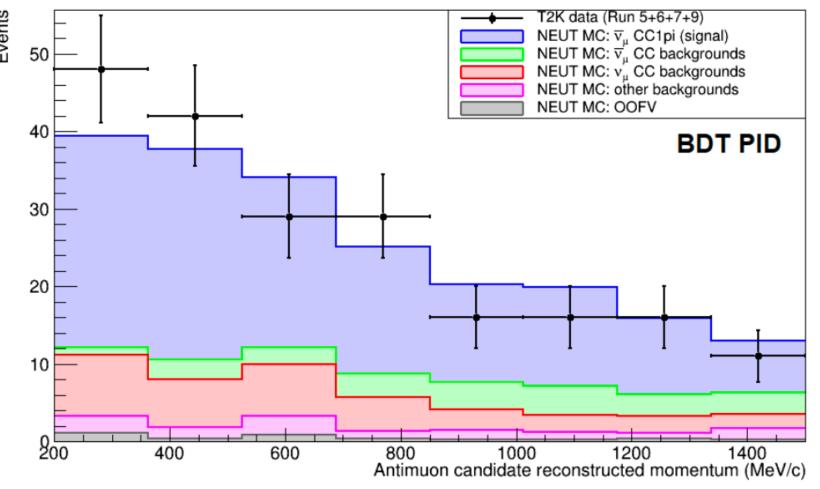
Work by Gabriel



Patrick taking over

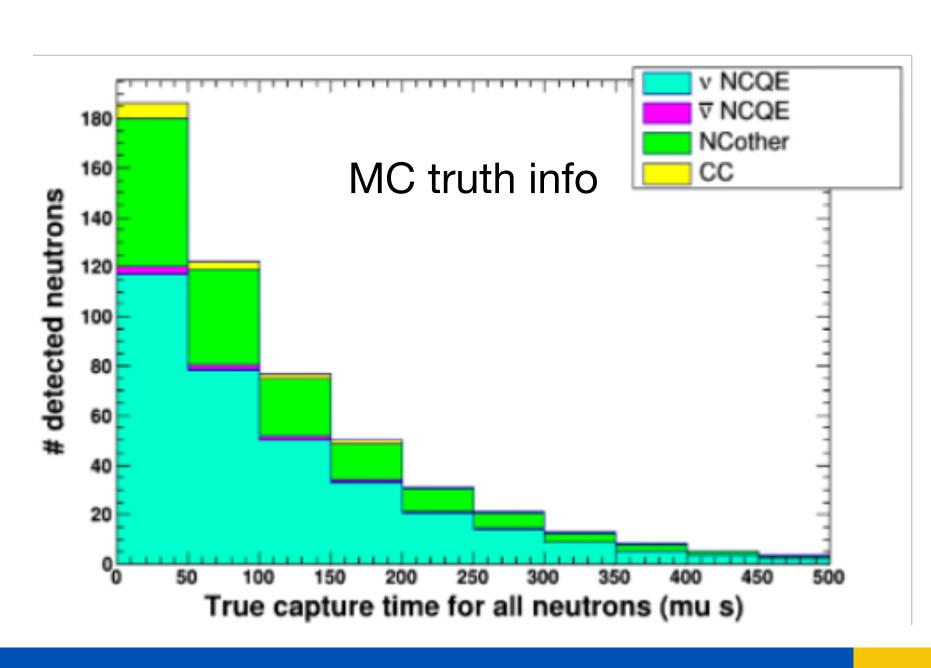




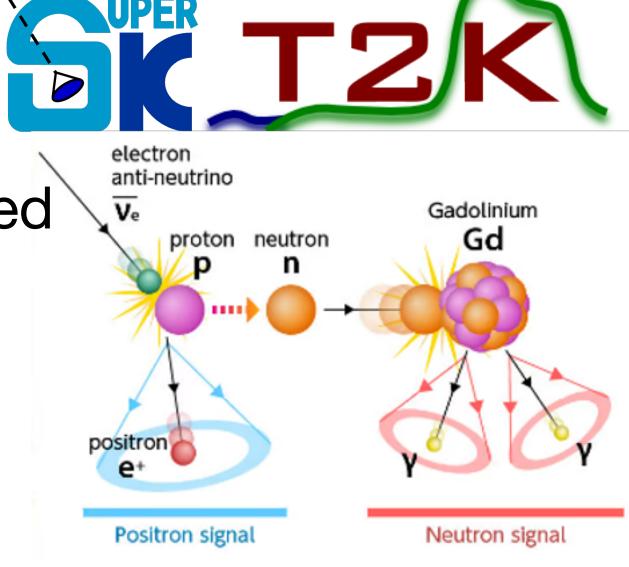


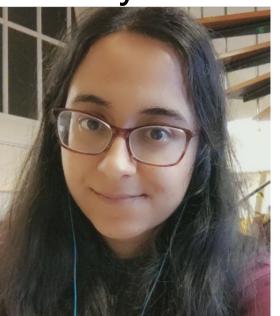
NCQE neutron tagging

- NCQE interactions at SK are a significant background to the signal used to detect supernova relic neutrinos and DSNB
- Gd-loading improves neutron tagging ability through higher capture xsec and higher energy gamma cascade
- Developed new NTag algorithm for SK-Gd, efficiencies recalculated after applying NN to enhance signal and reduce background



- Efficiency from MC compared and validated against data from the AmBe calibration source
- Performed estimation of the error on the DSNB NCQE background





Super-K Monitoring



Second phase of Gd-loading completed in July last year, bringing SK to 0.03% concentration Gd and marking beginning of SK-VII run

UKLI system integral part of water quality monitoring during the loading period, now used

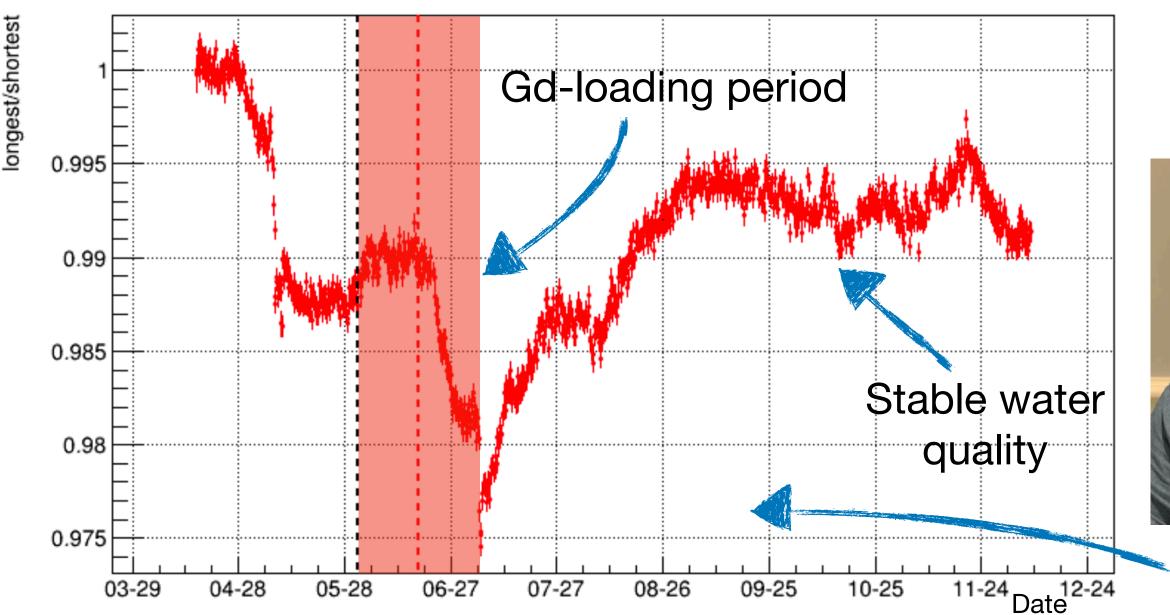
for weekly monitoring purposes

Top diffuser is particularly sensitive to changes in water quality

Adam is working on an attenuation measurement likelihood fit - see his talk Charge Ratio (z&y<0 / z&y>0) (20221209)

First visit since COVID by SK-UK members (inc. Neil and Balint) in Sep 22 - system working well

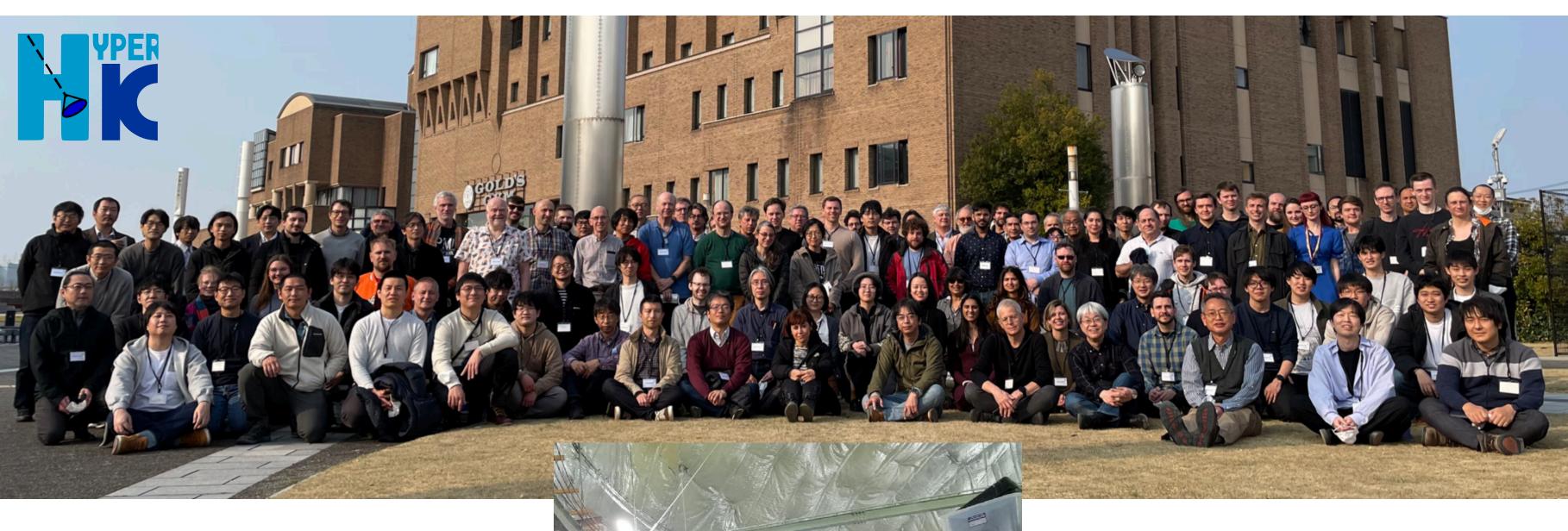
Liverpool members taking part in upcoming calibration campaign in July, will also be replace monitor PMT in UKLI system



Work by me

私たちは日本へ帰った!







Obligatory trip to the Pokémon centre

