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- Neutrino meetings are always exciting and this one is no exception...
    - Superb data, impressive Physics results mainly from Super-Kamiokande, K2K, SNO, Kamland
  - Looking back to the talks I realized neutrinos are (obviously) the big stars of this meeting... but not the only ones...

## Large Format PMT Lineup

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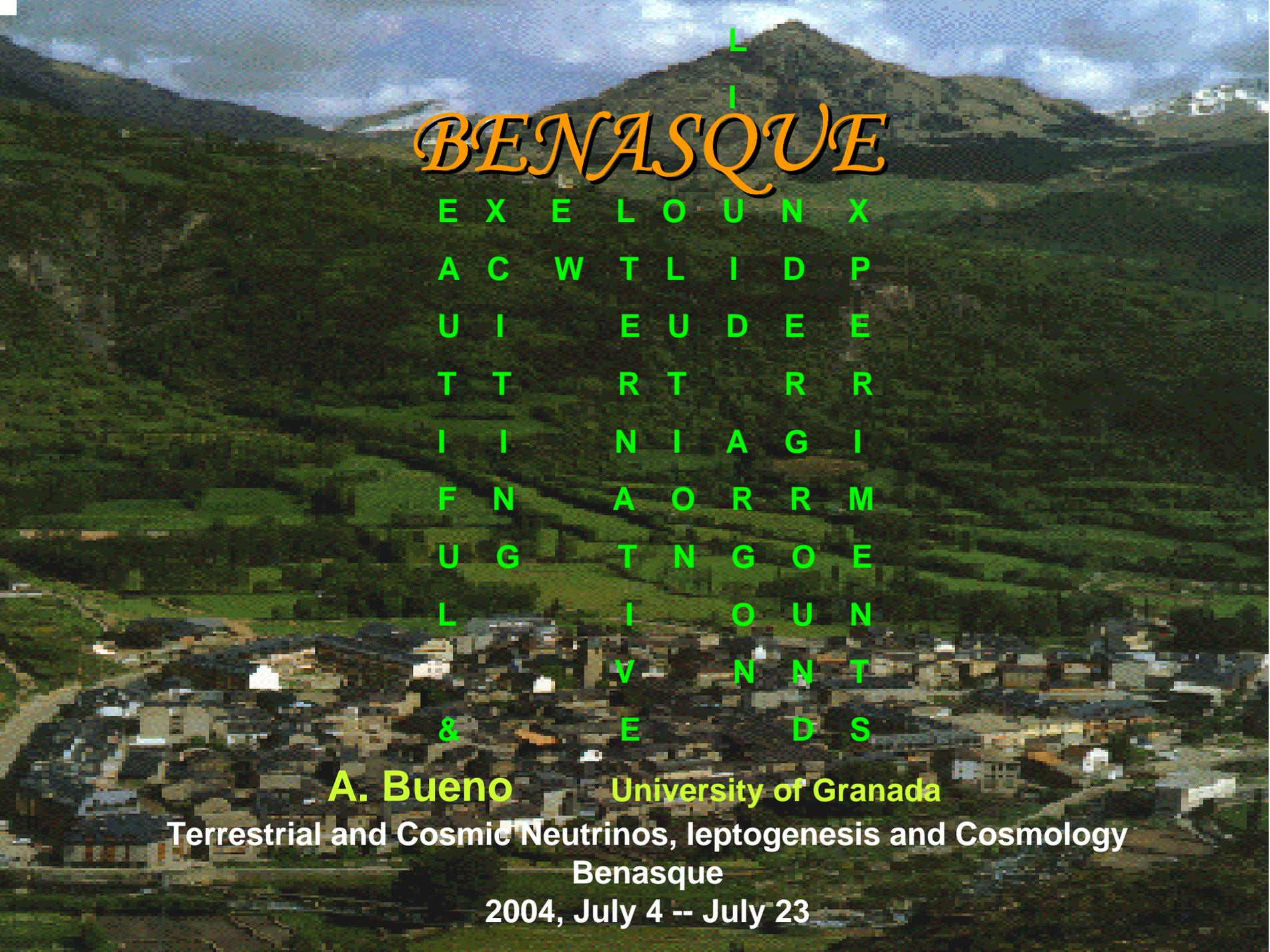
20 inch

**HAMAMATSU**

A close-up, slightly blurred image of a black helmet, characteristic of Darth Vader from Star Wars. The helmet features a prominent circular visor at the top and a control panel at the bottom with several buttons and a small display. The background is a dark, industrial-looking environment with some metallic structures and a red light source in the distance.

Are there any other new detector ideas in there?

**Living in the Dark Side**



# BENASQUE

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**2004, July 4 -- July 23**

# Liquid Argon Detector: Why?

- Easy to obtain with very high purity by specialized industries
  - Concentration on atmosphere  $\sim 0.9\%$
  - Cheap: 1 liter cost below 1 €
- Homogeneous medium simultaneously acting as target and detector
- Interesting physical properties for a tracking device:
  - Boiling point = 87.3 K at 1 bar; not flammable
  - Density = 1.4 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
  - Radiation length = 14 cm; interaction length = 80 cm
  - Electron mobility = 500 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs
  - $dE/dx = 2.1$  MeV/cm
- Propagation of charged particles induce...
  - Ionization
    - Minimum ionizing track: 88000 electron-ion pairs per cm
    - After recombination @ 500 V/cm: 55000 pairs/cm
  - Scintillation
    - UV Spectrum  $\lambda=128$  nm
  - Čerenkov light (given that  $\beta > 1/n$ )

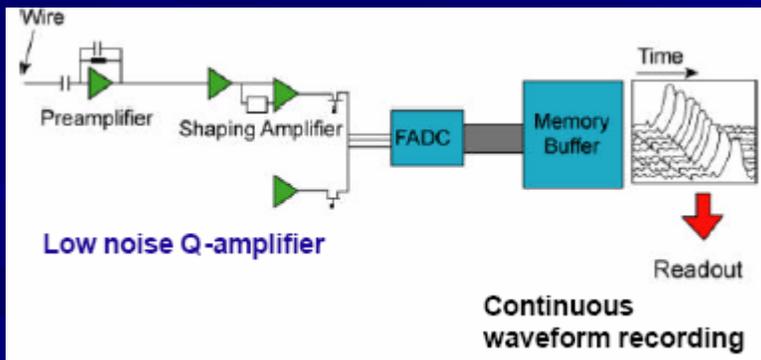
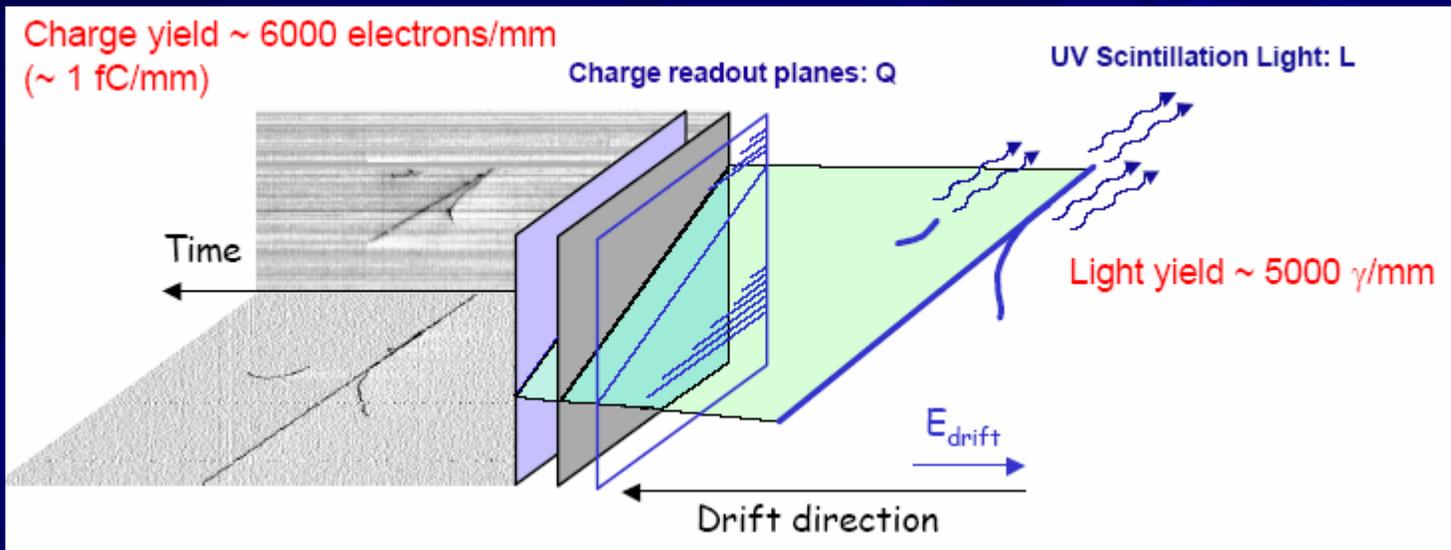


# Summary of LAr TPC Studies

## LAr TPC story...

- L.W.Alvarez (late 60'): noble liquids for position sensitive detectors
- T.Doke (late 60'): systematic studies of noble liquids properties
- W.J.Willis & V.Radeka (70'): large calorimeters for HEP experiments
- C.Rubbia (1977): LAr TPC conceived and proposed
- E.Aprile, C.Giboni, C.Rubbia (1985): high purity → long drift distances
- ICARUS Coll. (1993-1994): 3 ton LAr TPC prototype
- ICARUS Coll. (1998): Neutrino detection at CERN with a 50 l LAr TPC
- ICARUS Coll. (2001): cosmic-ray test of the 300 ton industrial module
- ICARUS Coll. (2003-2004): detector/physics papers from the T300 test
- ICARUS Coll. (2004-2005): T600 installation and commissioning at LNGS
- ... **Discussion on possible LAr TPCs follow-ups**

# The LAr TPC Working Principle



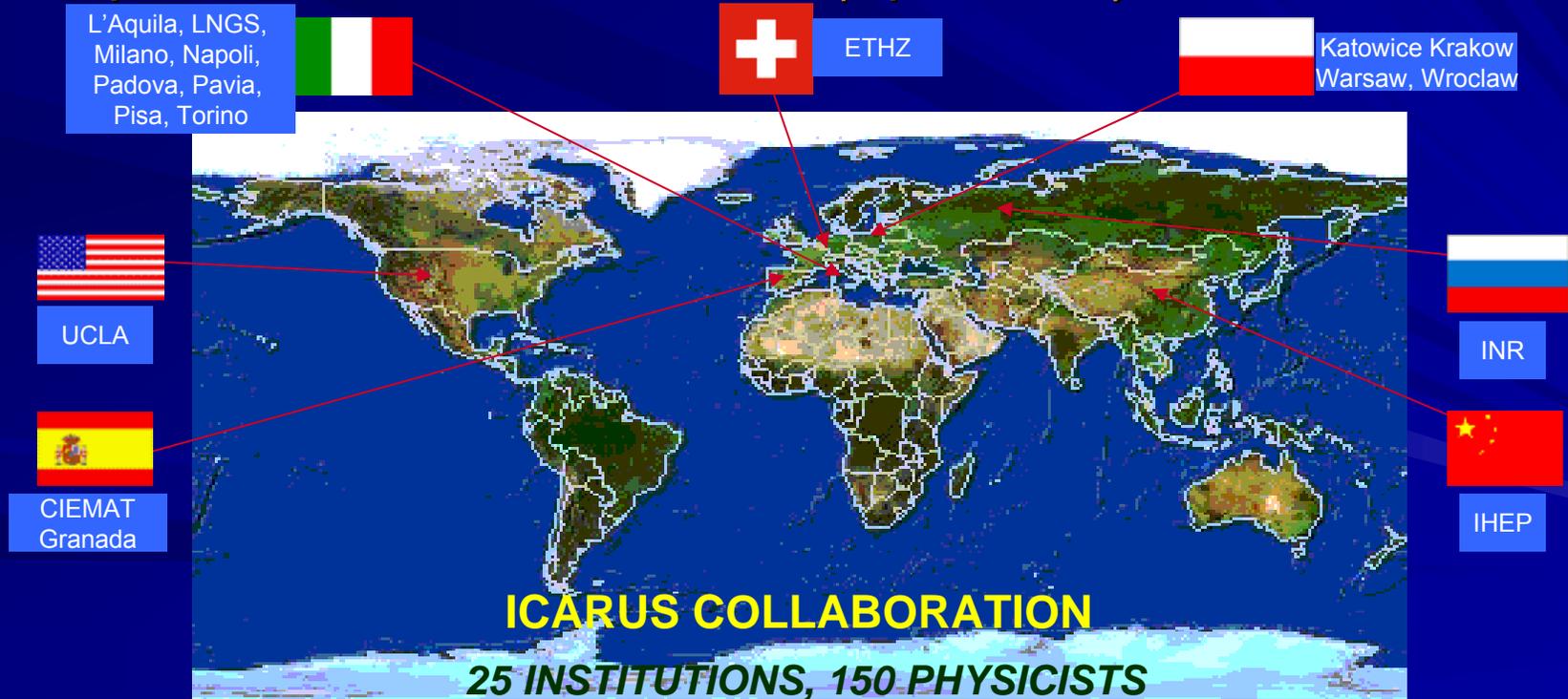
- Continuously sensitive
- Self-triggering
- $t_0$  provided by scintillation light

# The ICARUS Collaboration

■ Research project jointly approved by INFN and CERN

■ CERN/SPSC 2002-027 (SPSC-P-323) LNGS-EXP 13/89

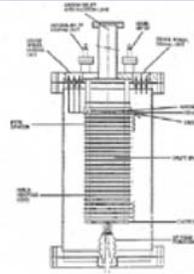
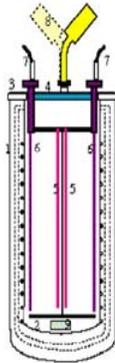
– CNGS Physics Program: ICARUS is an official CERN experiment known as CNGS2 (April 2003)



# The path to massive liquid argon detectors

Originally proposed by C. Rubbia (CERN-EP/77-08)

3 ton prototype

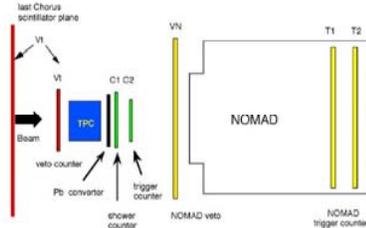


24 cm drift wires chamber

1987: First LAr TPC. Proof of principle. Measurements of TPC performances.

## Lab activities:

50 litres prototype  
1.4 m drift chamber



1997-1999: Neutrino beam events measurements. Readout electronics optimization. MLPB development and study. 1.4 m drift test.



10 m<sup>3</sup> industrial prototype

1999-2000: Test of final industrial solutions for the wire chamber mechanics and readout electronics.

T600 detector

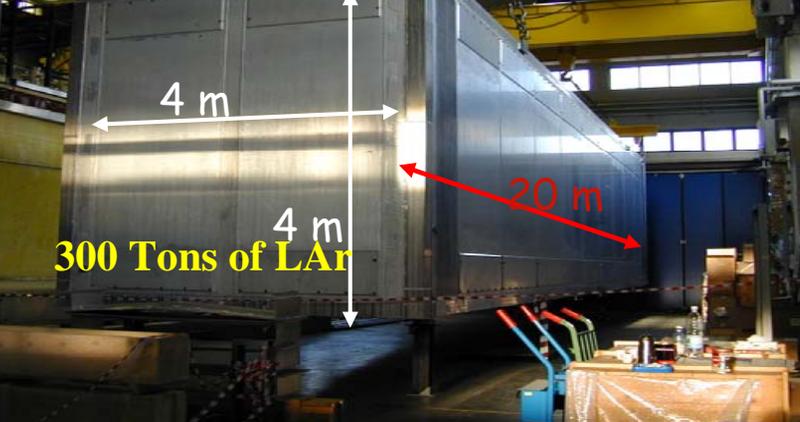
2001: First T600 module



Cooperation with specialized industries:

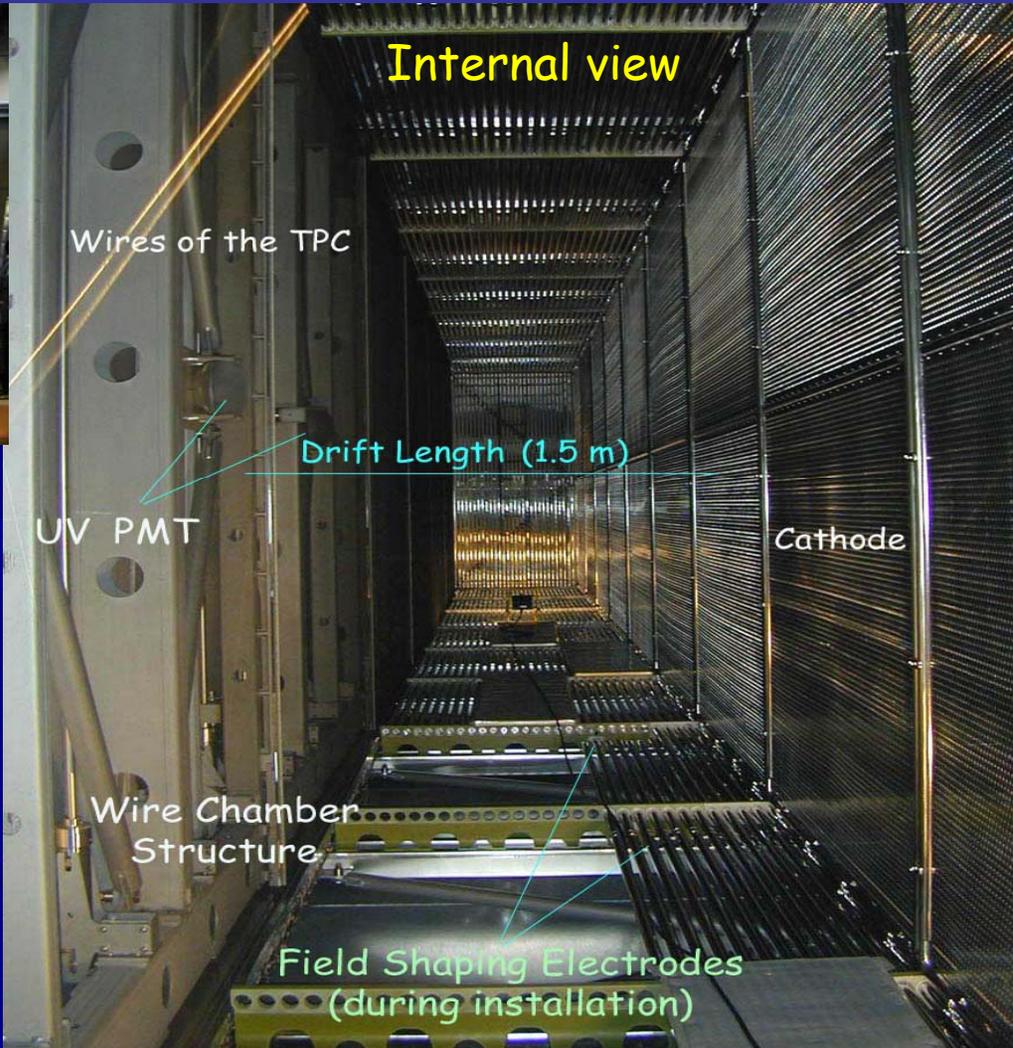
# The T600 Detector

Cryostat (semi-module)



## ICARUS T300

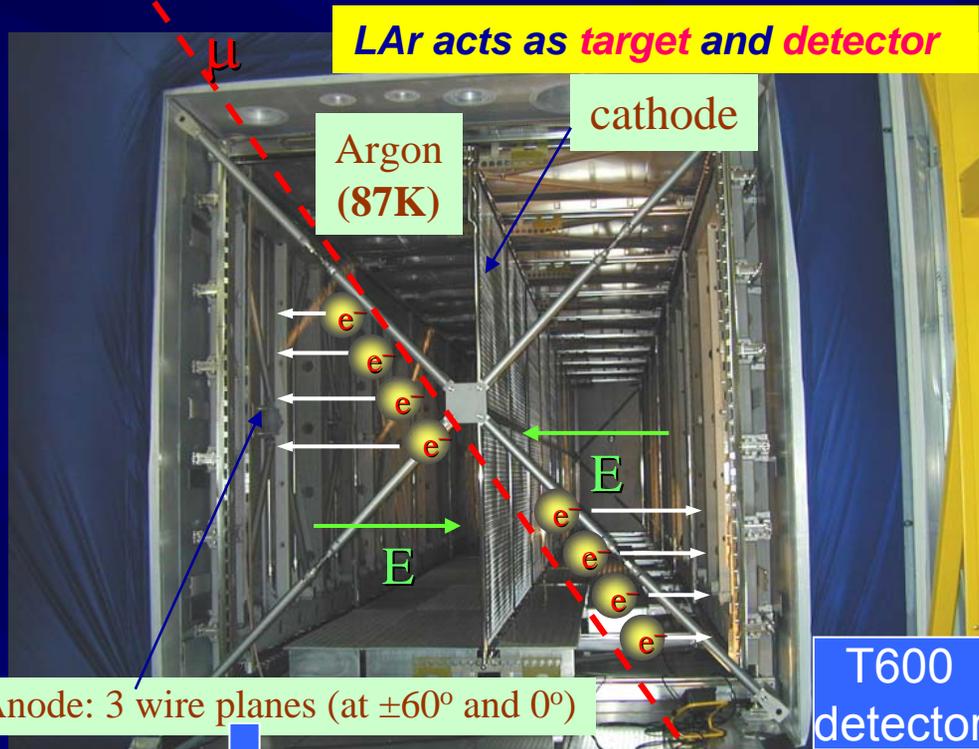
Internal view



Readout electronics  
≈ 54000 channels

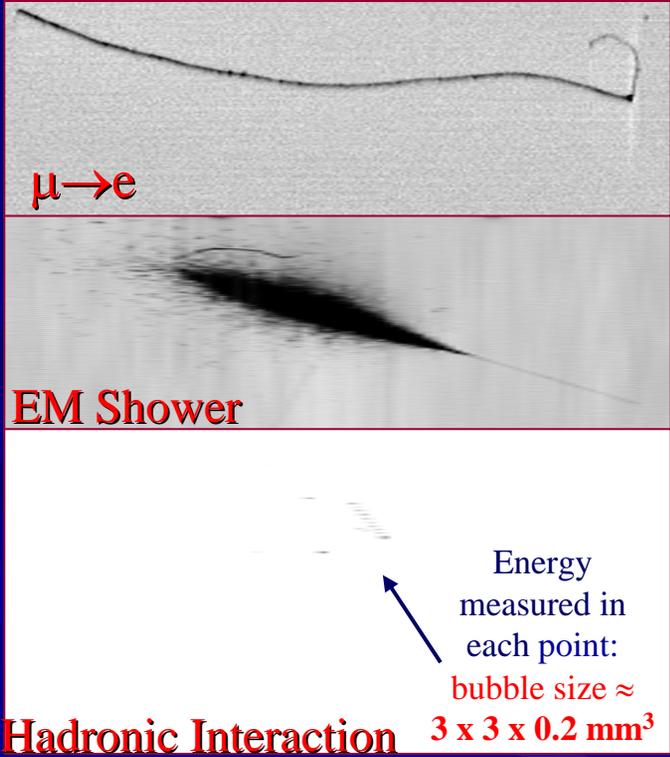


# Electronic Bubble Chamber

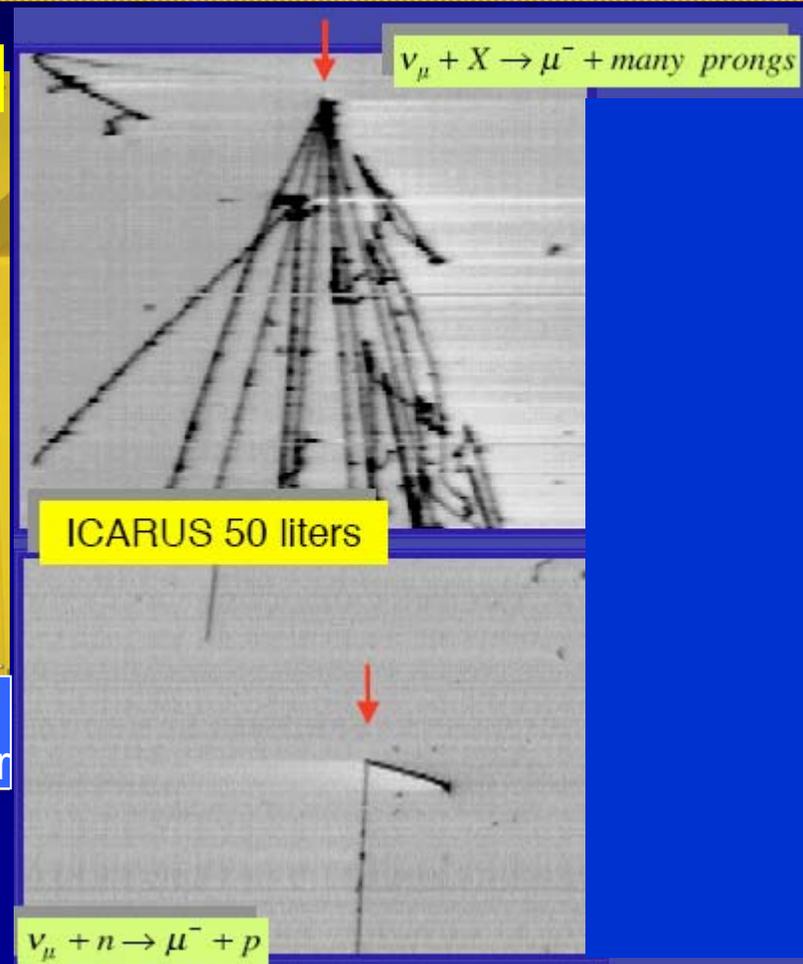
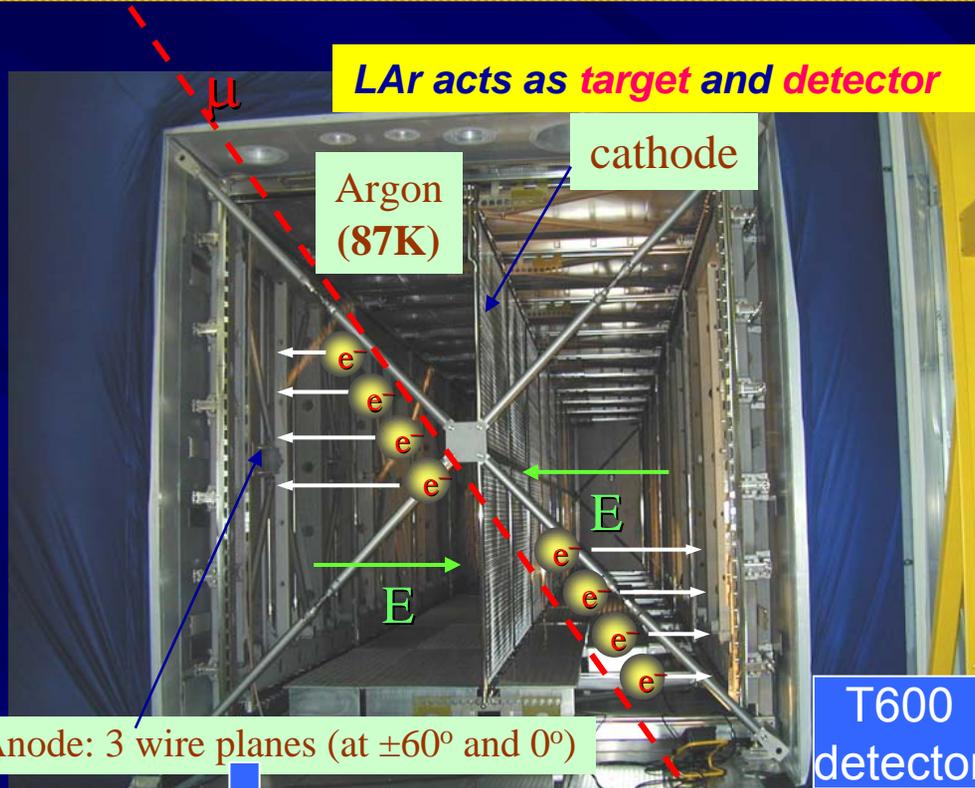


**3-dimensional images**

## Real Events



# Electronic Bubble Chamber



3-dimensional images

After many years of R&D at lab scale...

The road for construction of very massive detectors at industrial level is now open!

# T600 Detector: Cosmic Ray Data

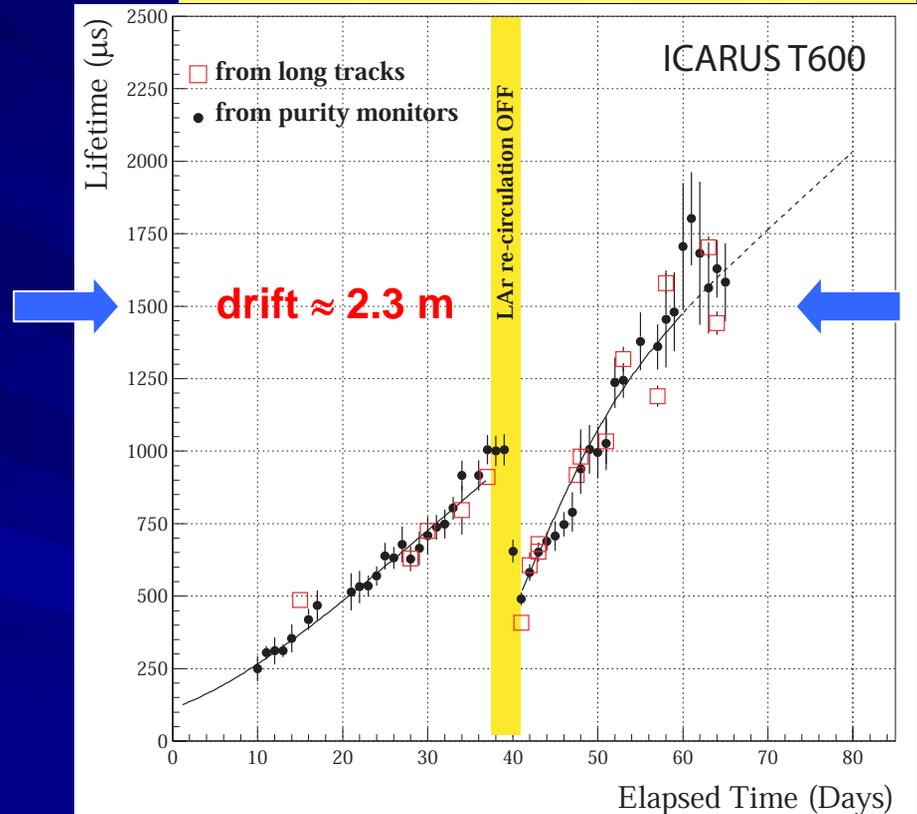
- More than 27000 triggers collected during technical run on surface (summer 2001)
  - **Detector performed according to expectations**
  - Testing 3D reconstruction, particle ID capabilities, ...
- Publications so far...
  - *Design, construction and tests of the ICARUS T600 detector*, accepted for publication by NIM A on 31/12/03.
  - *Measurement of the muon decay spectrum with the ICARUS T600 liquid Argon TPC*, Eur. Phys. Journal C33 (2004) 233-241.
  - *Study of electron recombination in liquid Argon with the ICARUS TPC*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A523 (2004) 275-283.
  - *Analysis of Liquid Argon Purity in the ICARUS T600 TPC*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A516 (2004) 68-79.
  - *Observation of long ionizing tracks with the ICARUS T600 first half-module*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A508 (2003) 287-294.



# Liquid Argon Purity

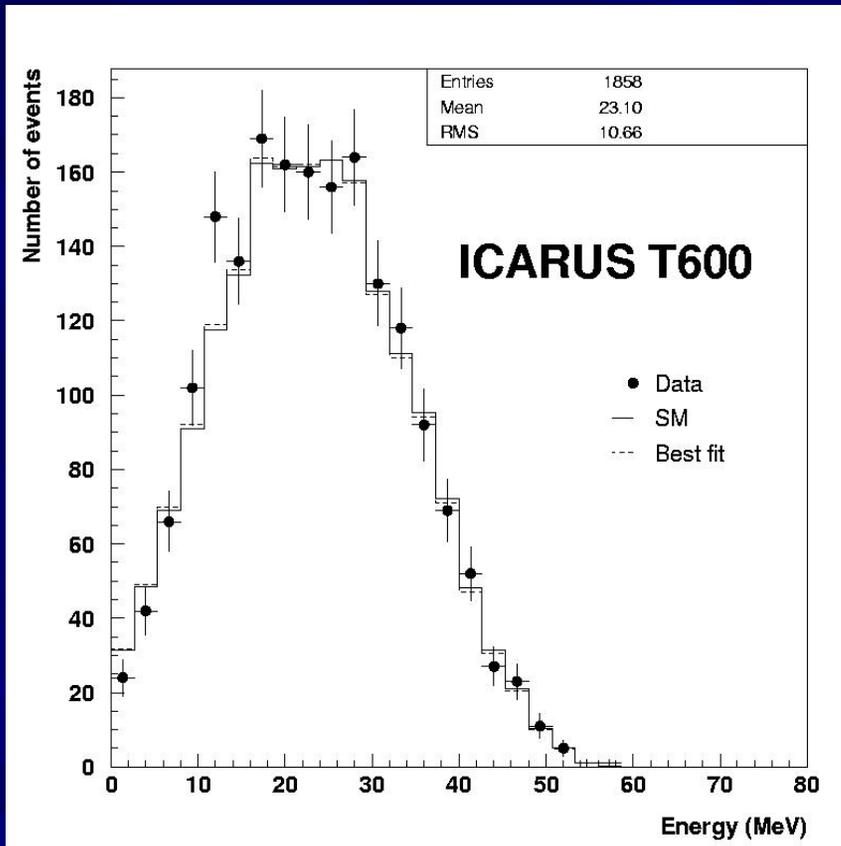
- Long drift distances demand ultra pure Argon
  - Impurities: 0.1 ppb Oxygen-equivalent
- Two independent and complementary methods to measure the LAr purity:
  - **Purity Monitors**: *on-line* information on a fixed position of the chamber (*punctual* measurement).
  - **Muon tracks**: *off-line* analysis measuring the collected charge attenuation from crossing muon tracks (*average* measurement).
- For future modules, the present technology would allow to expand drift distances up to 3m

$$V_{\text{drift}} = 1.56 \text{ mm} / \mu\text{s} @ 0.5 \text{ kV/cm}$$



*Liquid Argon  
is a mature  
detection technique*

# Michel Electron Spectrum



- Study of stopping muon sample

- 3000 events analyzed and fully reconstructed in 3D

- $\rho$  parameter measurement

$$\rho = 0.72 \pm 0.06 (stat) \pm 0.08 (sys)$$

- Standard Model  $\rho = 0.75$

- Energy resolution for electrons below  $\sim 50$  MeV

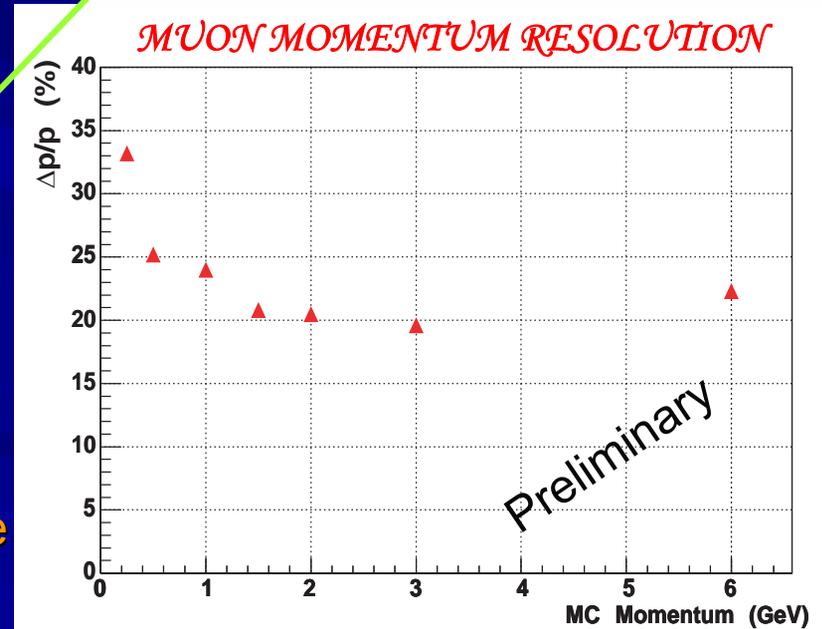
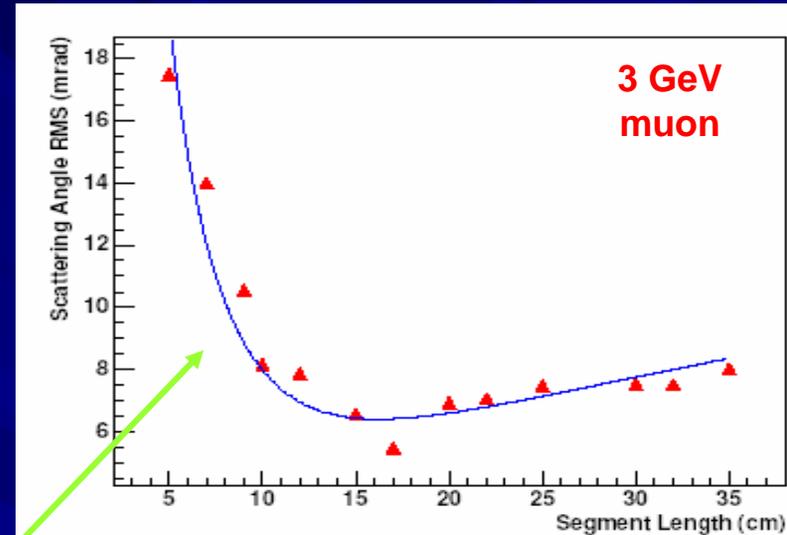
$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{11\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 2\%$$

# Momentum measurement: Multiple Scattering

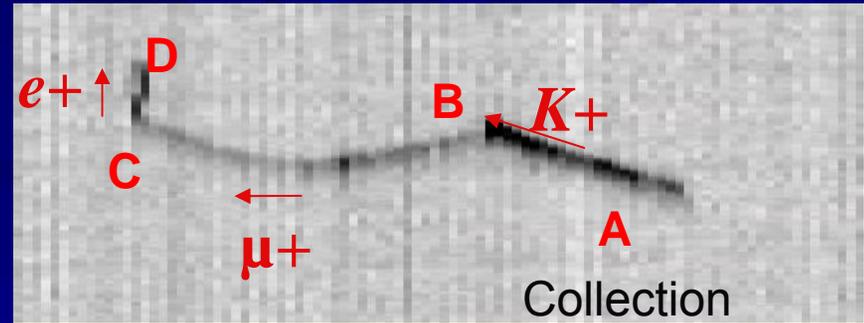
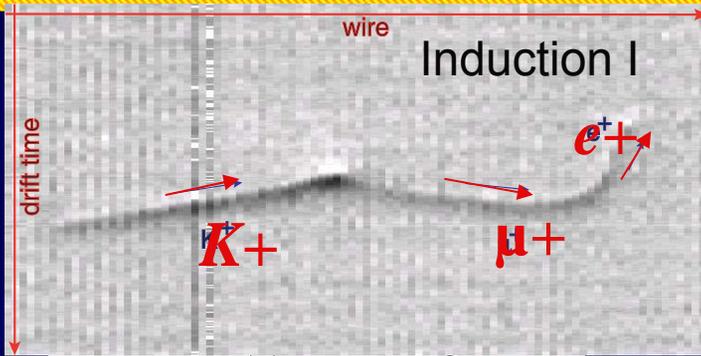
- Essential to measure kinematics properties of non-contained events
  - Interest focused on atmospheric events
- Full simulation of muon events for a broad momentum range
  - Include all detector effects
- Split track into segments. Measured angles have two contributions:

$$(g_{meas}^{RMS})^2 = (g_0^{RMS})^2 + (g_{noise}^{RMS})^2; \quad g_0^{RMS} \propto \sqrt{L_{seg}} / p; \quad g_{noise}^{RMS} \propto L_{seg}^{-3/2}$$

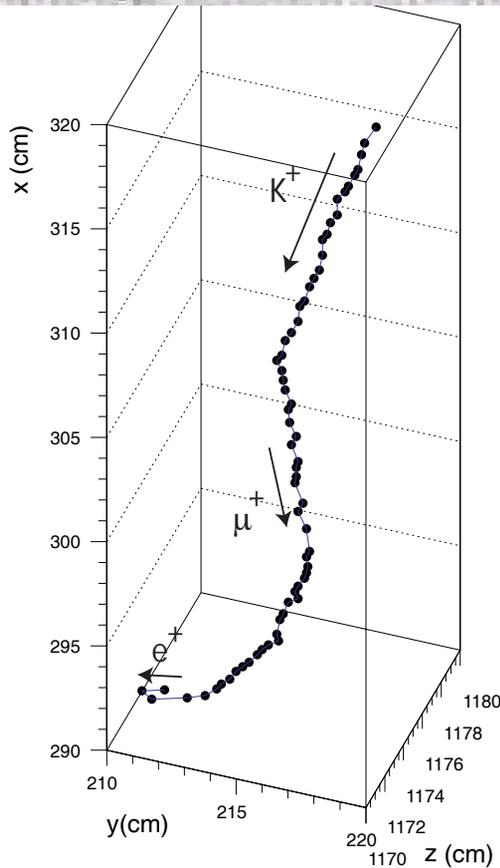
- Momentum extracted from fit over a sample of different segment lengths
- Resolutions  $\approx 20-25\%$
- Future analysis...
  - Resolution improvement with alternative methods (e.g. Kalman Filter)?
  - Validate conclusions with real data: large sample of stopping muons



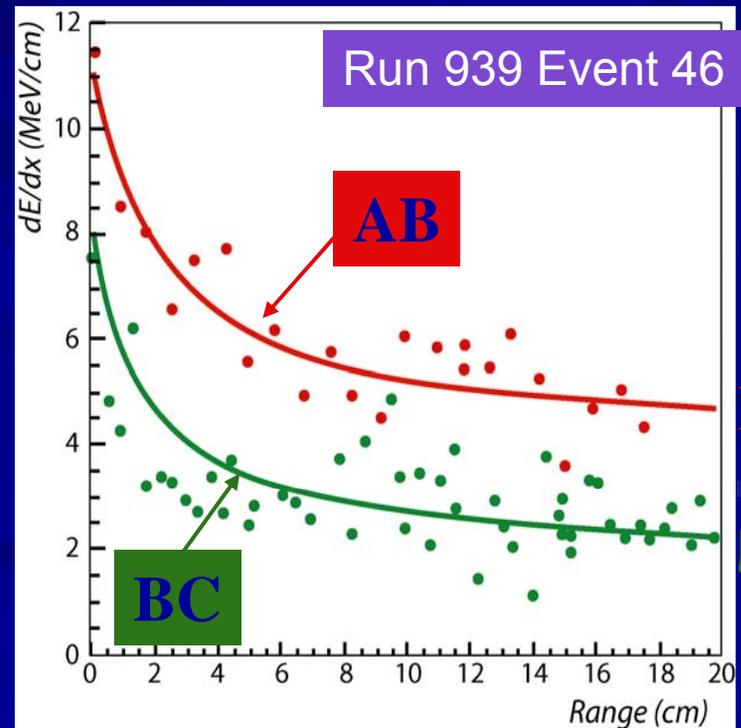
# Particle Identification



$$K^+[AB] \rightarrow \mu^+[BC] \rightarrow e^+[CD]$$

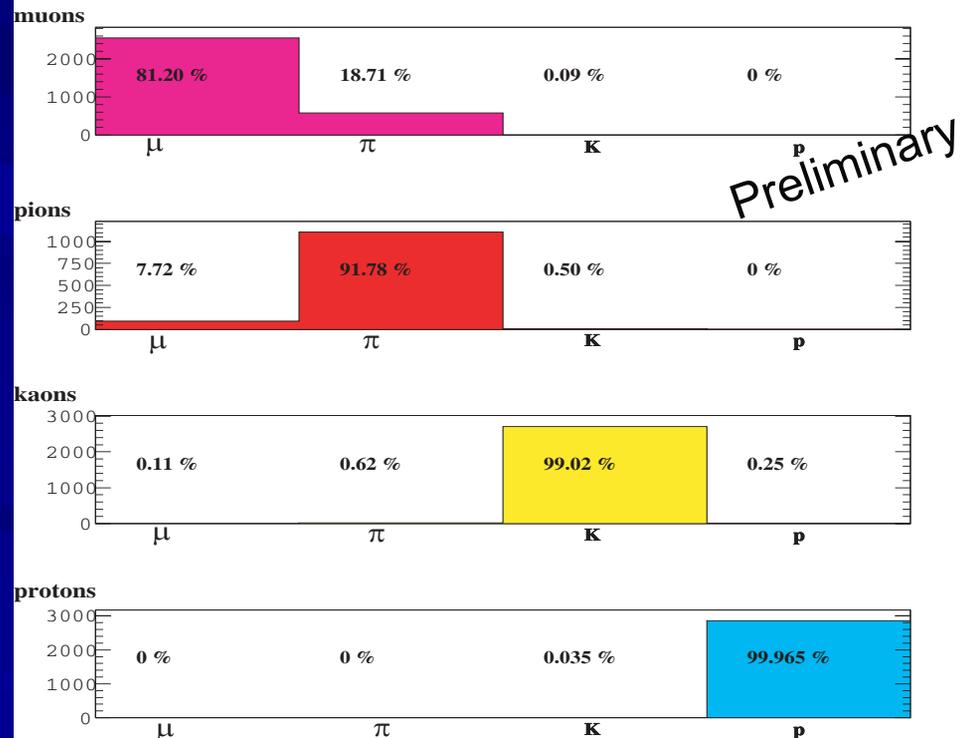
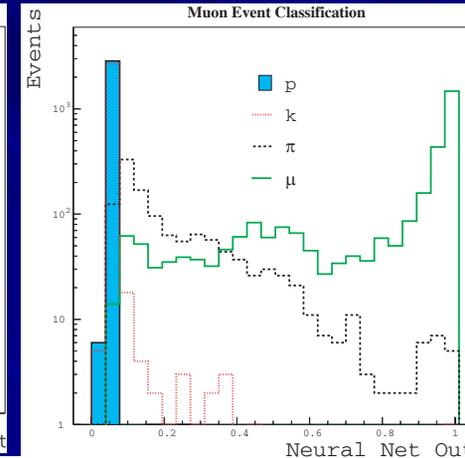
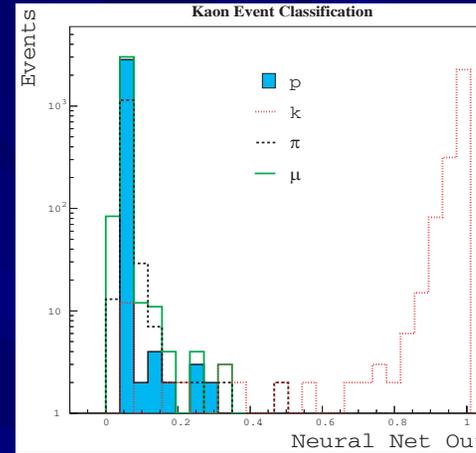


3D  
reconstruction  
allows to  
compute  $dE/dx$   
and range



# Particle Identification

- Full generation and 3D reconstruction of muons, pions, protons and kaons
- Analysis based on neural network. Discrimination given by:
  - Different stopping power for each particle type
  - Difference on secondary particle production after decay/interaction of parent track
  - Key issues:
    - Accurate energy measurement
    - Good spatial resolution for precise tracking reconstruction
- Very high identification efficiencies (>90%) while low contamination levels (few %) are expected



# T600 at LNGS

- Following LNGS Director's mandate, a working group of experts was set up to review:
  - ICARUS T600 (cryogenics, safety, installation, commissioning, operation)
  - Risk Analysis: simulation of possible major failures
  - Technical infrastructure and human resources at LNGS to cope with ICARUS needs
  - First approach to the T3000 project

# Working Group Conclusions (Nov 2003)

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- The ICARUS project is sound and innovative
- Recommended improvements concerning the cryogenic system will be implemented by our collaboration
  - Overall risk linked to LNGS activities is not increased when T600 becomes operational
- A significant amount of work should be carried out at LNGS to upgrade Hall B infrastructure and technical utilities
- T600 can be installed right now underground in its “dry” version

# Future LAr TPC Detectors

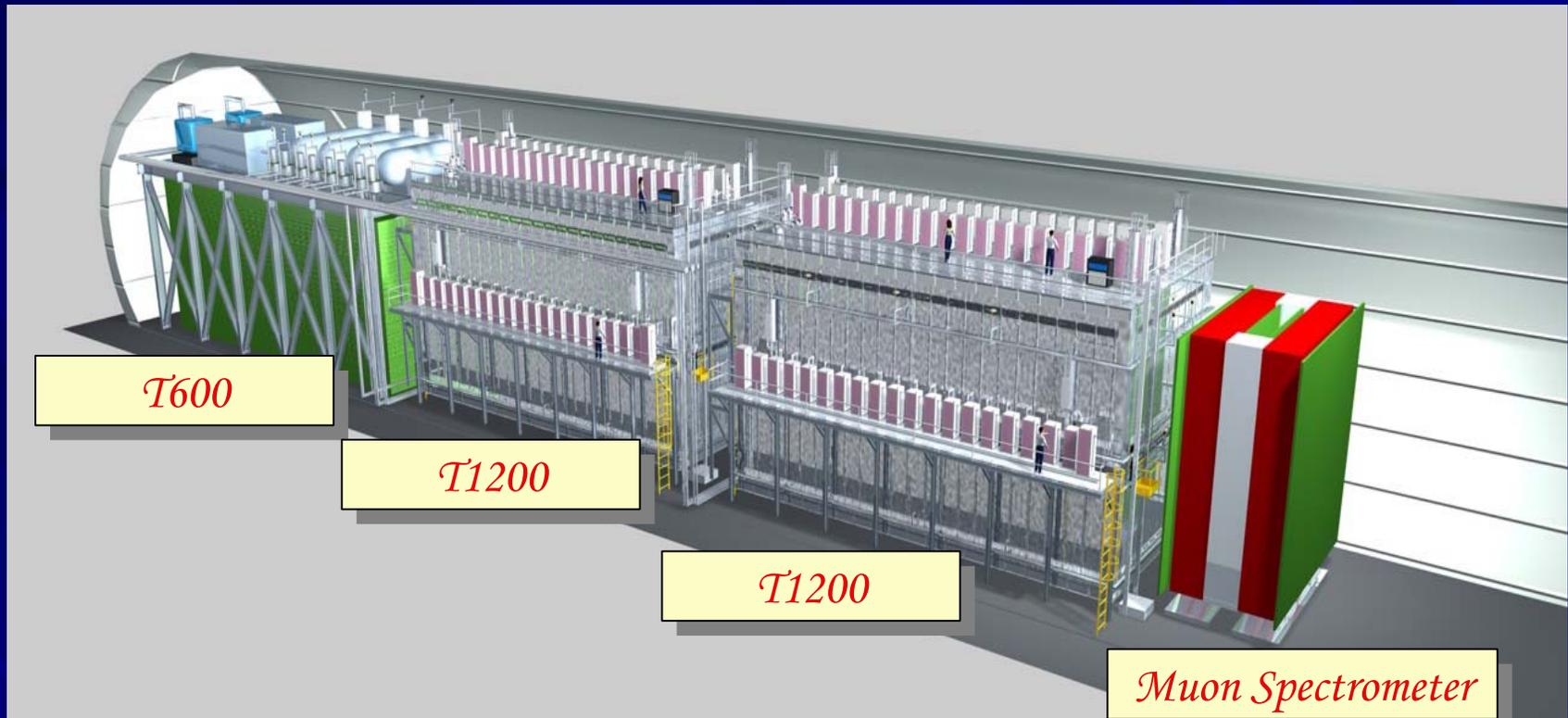
Detector	Drift Distance (m)	Mass (Ktons)	Magnetic Field
ICARUS T600	1.5 (demonstration that distances up to 3 m are feasible)	0.6	NO
ICARUS T3000	3	3	NO
100 tons	3	0.1	??
LANND	4-8	50-100	Eventually, yes
GLACIER	20 (operation in bi-phase mode)	100	Eventually, yes

We're here



# ICARUS T3000 + Muon Spectrometer

A Second-Generation Proton Decay Experiment and Neutrino Observatory at Gran Sasso Laboratory



LNGS-EXP 13/89 Add. 3/03

CERN/SPSC 2003-030

SPSC-P-323-Add. 1

**Construction strategy:**  
“Cloning” the successfully  
operated T600 module

# A Rich Physics Programme

- Atmospheric, Solar and Supernova neutrinos
- Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment: CNGS
  - Explicit search for  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  and  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$
- Background-free proton decay searches

**Physics**

**Prospects**

**Supernova 1987A Rings**

**Hubble Space Telescope Wide Field Planetary Camera 2**

**Proton Decay**



# CNGS: $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ Oscillations

■ Main reaction



$\tau \rightarrow$

$e\nu\nu$	18%
$\mu\nu\nu$	18%
$h^- n h^0 \nu$	50%
$h^- h^+ h^- n h^0 \nu$	14%

- Search based on kinematical criteria
  - Natural  $\nu_\tau$  contamination below  $10^{-7}$  w.r.t.  $\nu_\mu$  component
  - Several decay modes investigated (electron decay is the “golden” channel)
- Super-Kamiokande:  $1.5 < \Delta m^2 < 3.4$  at 90% C.L.**

$\tau$ decay mode	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	BG
	$\Delta m^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m^2 = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m^2 = 4.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	
$\tau \rightarrow e$	3.7	9	13	23	0.7
$\tau \rightarrow \rho$ DIS	0.6	1.5	2.2	3.9	< 0.1
$\tau \rightarrow \rho$ QE	0.6	1.4	2.0	3.6	< 0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>30.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>

- 5 years of CNGS operation ( $4.5 \times 10^{19}$  p.o.t.)
- T3000 detector (2.35 kton active LAr, 1.5 kton fiducial)

# CNGS: $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ Oscillations

## Main reaction



## Natural $\nu_e$ contamination 1%

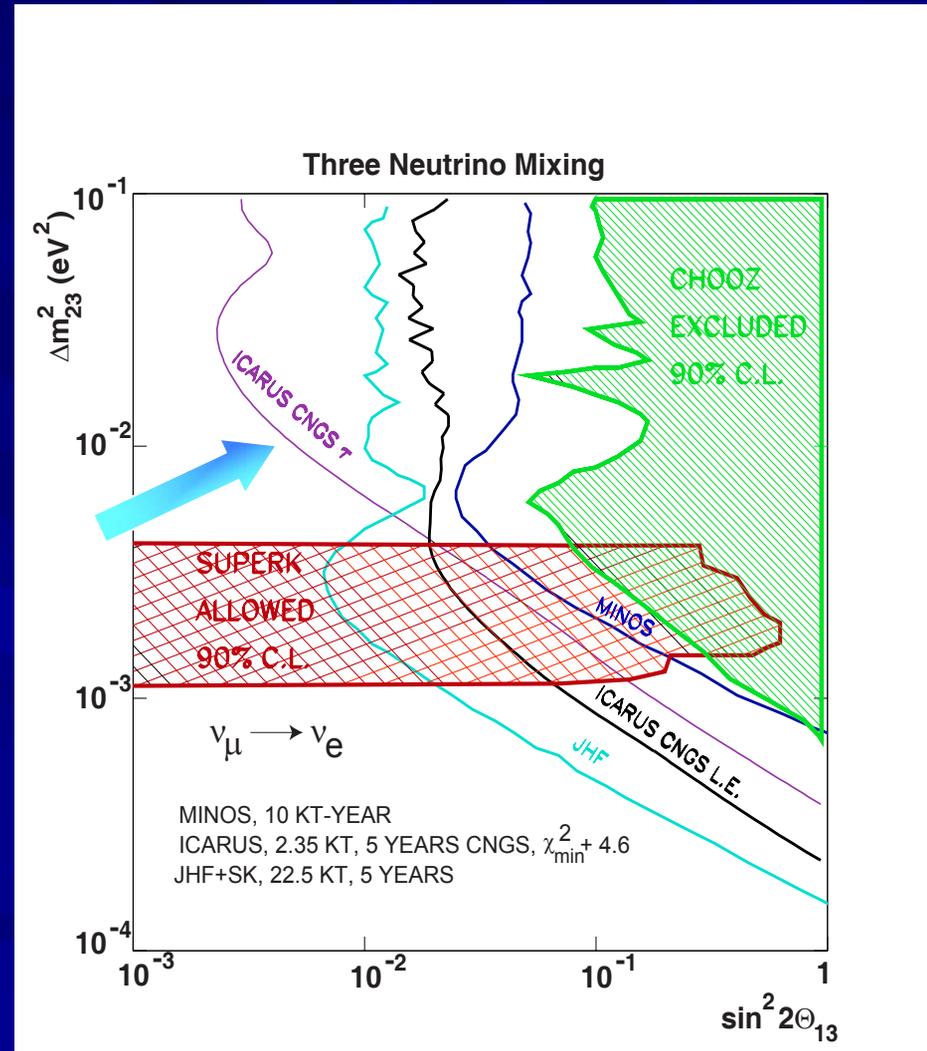
## Limited by CNGS statistics

For  $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

$$(\sin^2 2\theta_{13})_{\text{CNGS},\tau} < 0.04 \quad \text{or} \quad \theta_{13} < 6^\circ$$

$$(\sin^2 2\theta_{13})_{\text{CHOOZ}} < 0.14 \quad \text{or} \quad \theta_{13} < 11^\circ$$

$$(\sin^2 2\theta_{13})_{\text{MINOS}} < 0.06 \quad \text{or} \quad \theta_{13} < 7^\circ$$



# Electron- $\pi^0$ Rejection

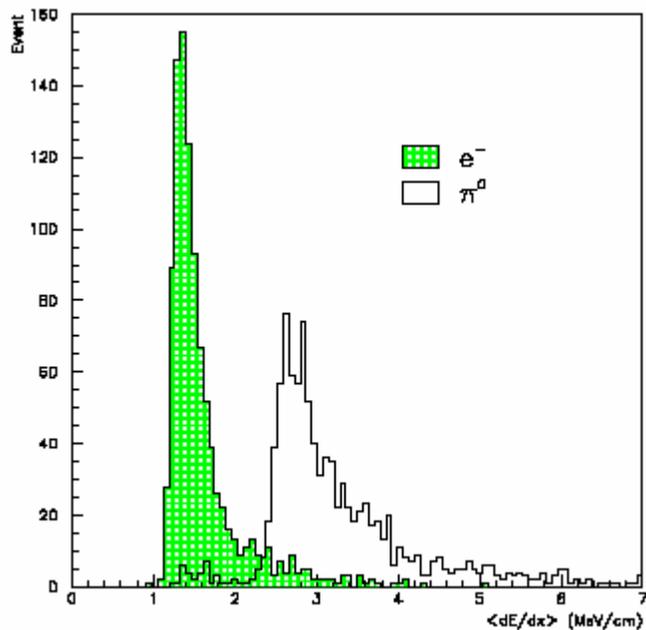


Figure 3: The  $\langle dE/dx \rangle$  distribution of the first 8 wires for 1000 simulated 1 GeV electrons (hatched area) and pions (blank area). 90% electrons and 3.7% pions are obtained when the  $\langle dE/dx \rangle \geq 2.21 \text{ MeV/cm}$  cut is applied.

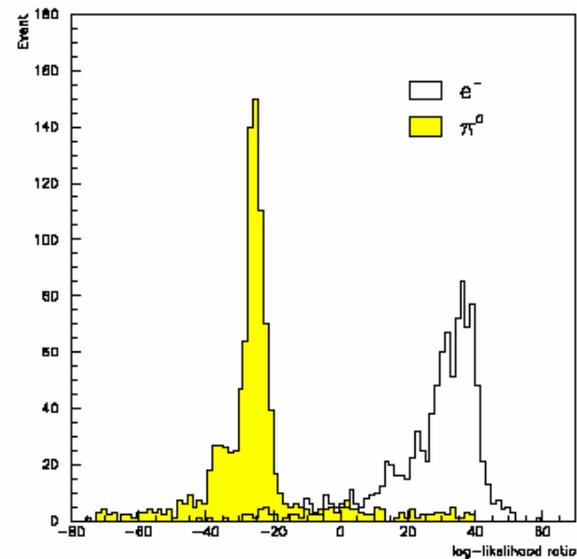


Figure 6: The distribution of the log-likelihood ratio sum for the same events studied by  $dE/dx$  method. A similar  $\pi^0$  rejection is achieved: 4.8% pions and 90% electrons survive the cut  $\sum_{j=1}^{15} \ln(L_j^e/L_j^\pi) = 7.5$  (see the text).

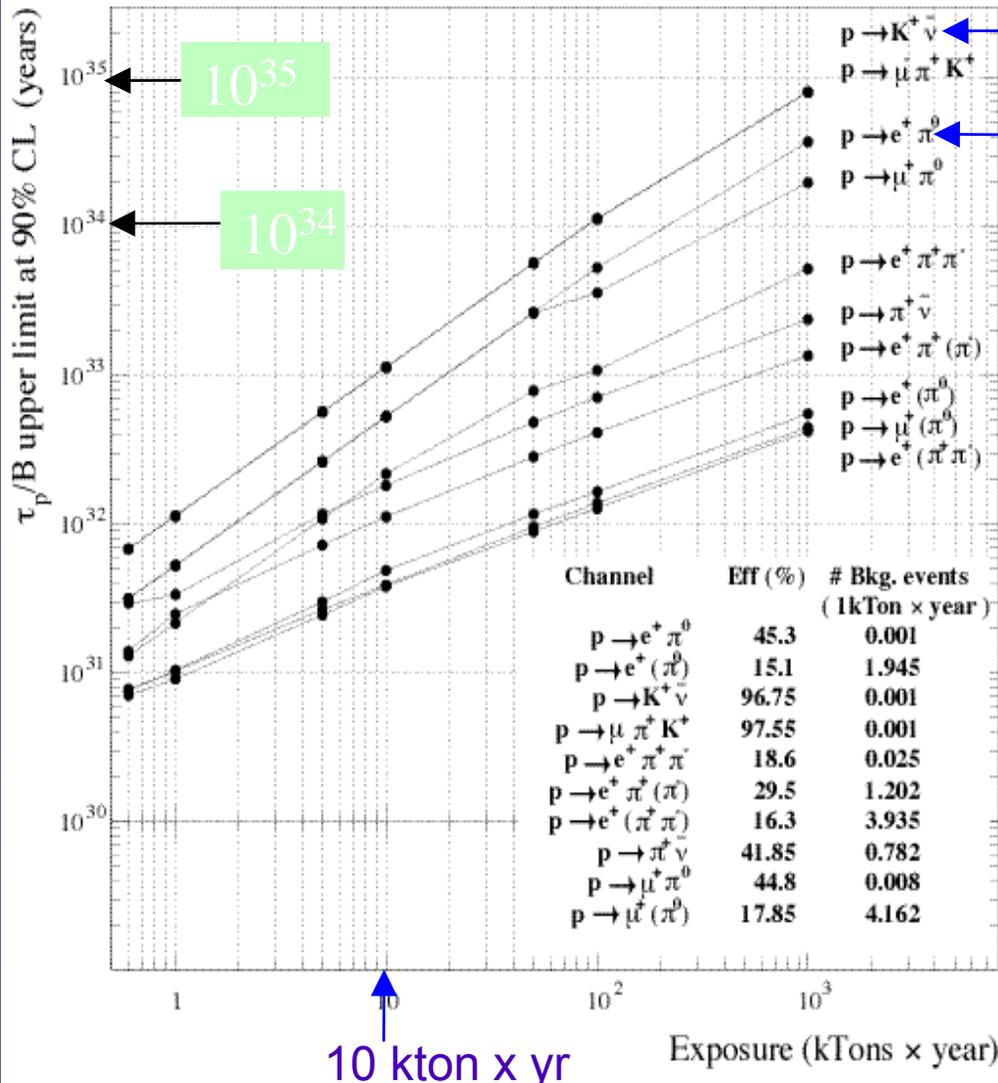
Combining imaging (identify pions converting 1cm away from primary vertex) +  $dE/dx$  method we expect to have a  $\pi^0$  contamination of **0.2%**

# Determination of the oscillation parameters

Parameter	Current measurement (90 % C.L.)	Expected measurement with ICARUS
$\Delta m^2_{23} \text{ (eV}^2\text{)}$	$1.5 < \Delta m^2_{23} < 3.4 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.5 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-3}$
$\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$	$> 0.92$	$0.9 \pm 0.1$
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$	$< 0.14$	$0.09 \pm 0.04$

# Nucleon decay sensitivity

ICARUS: Limits on Proton Decay



$$\tau_p (p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}) > 5.7 \times 10^{32} \text{ yrs}$$

$$\tau_p (p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0) > 2.7 \times 10^{32} \text{ yrs}$$

Background free !!

5 kTon x year

Sensitivity grows essentially **linearly** with exposure for all considered channels.

Nuclear effects in signal: fully embedded in FLUKA nuclear model



# Comparison with Super KamioKande

SuperK results compiled by M.Goodman for NNN02, Jan 2002

Channel		Eff. (%)	Observed (evts.)	Bkg. (evts.)	Exposure (kTon×yr)	$\tau/B$ limit ( $10^{32}$ yr)	Needed Exp. to reach SK (kTon×yr)
$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$	SuperK	43	0	0.2	79	50 → 30 [1 evt]	94
	ICARUS	45	–	0.005	5	2.7	
$p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}$ prompt $\gamma \mu^+$ $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	SuperK	8.7	0	0.3	79	19 → 13 [1 evt]	17
	SuperK					10 → 7	
	SuperK					7.5 → 5	
	ICARUS					5.7	
$p \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^0$	SuperK	32	0	0.4	79	37 → 24 [1 evt]	102
	ICARUS	45	–	0.04	5	2.6	

Channel		Eff. (%)	Observed (evts.)	Bkg. (evts.)	Exposure (kTon×yr)	$\tau/B$ limit ( $10^{32}$ yr)	Needed Exposure to reach PDG'02 (kTon×yr)
$p \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+ K^+$	ICARUS	98	–	0.005	5	5.7	2.1
$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	ICARUS	19	–	0.125	5	1.1	3.8
$p \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu}$	ICARUS	42	–	4	5	1.2	0.5
$p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^+ (\pi^-)$	ICARUS	30	–	6	5	0.7	
$p \rightarrow e^+ (\pi^+ \pi^-)$	ICARUS	16	–	20	5	0.2	
$n \rightarrow e^- K^+$	ICARUS	96	–	0.005	5	6.9	0.24
$n \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+$	ICARUS	45	–	0.12	5	3.2	1.6
$n \rightarrow e^+ \pi^-$	ICARUS	44	–	0.04	5	3.2	2.5
$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \bar{\nu}$	ICARUS	45	–	2.4	5	2	2.4
$n \rightarrow \mu^- (\pi^+)$	ICARUS	21	–	15	5	0.4	
$n \rightarrow e^+ (\pi^-)$	ICARUS	26	–	27	5	0.4	

# Solar neutrinos: Expected rates

Solar model:  
**BP2000**  $\nu$  flux  
used

${}^8\text{B}$   $5.15 \times 10^6 / \text{cm}^2 / \text{s}$

*hep*  $9.3 \times 10^3 / \text{cm}^2 / \text{s}$   
(BP98: 2.10)

(No oscillation  
hypothesis)

Electron energy threshold (MeV)	Solar neutrino events (1kton $\times$ year)		
	Elastic	Fermi	Gamow-Teller
0.0	782806	2011	4541
1.0	4560	1978	3287
2.0	1854	1848	3111
3.0	1465	1588	2762
4.0	1114	1212	2250
5.0	809	784	1644
5.5	676	579	1336
6.0	557	397	1042
6.5	450	247	774
7.0	358	135	540
7.5	278	63	349
8.0	212	26	205
8.5	156	10	107
9.0	112	5	49
9.5	77	3	20
10.0	51	2	8
10.5	32	2	4
11.0	19	1	3

$T_{\text{thresh}} = 5 \text{ MeV}$



# Solar neutrinos: expected background

**T600  
module**

$T_{thresh} = 5 \text{ MeV}$

Full simulation of  
neutron capture  
events on natural  
Ar

Electron energy threshold (MeV)	Neutron capture events per year		
	$E_{\text{cells}} > 0 \text{ KeV}$	$E_{\text{cells}} > 50 \text{ KeV}$	$E_{\text{cells}} > 150 \text{ KeV}$
0.0	6553	6520	6121
1.0	5295	5295	5275
2.0	4430	4417	4273
3.0	2700	2674	1855
4.0	1107	1075	865
5.0	131	118	72
5.5	20	20	20
6.0	13	13	13
6.5	7	7	7
7.0	7	7	6
7.5	5	5	3
8.0	1	1	1

# Supernova: Expected rates

Assume Fermi-Dirac energy spectra and no oscillations

$$\langle E_{\nu_e} \rangle = 11 \text{ MeV}, \quad \langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle = 16 \text{ MeV}, \quad \langle E_{\nu_{\mu,\tau}} \rangle = 25 \text{ MeV}, \quad \langle E_{\bar{\nu}_{\mu,\tau}} \rangle = 25 \text{ MeV}$$

Reaction	T (MeV)	$\langle E_\nu \rangle$ (MeV)	Expected events	
			1.2 ktons	5 ktons
<b>Elastic</b>				
$\nu_e e^-$	3.5	11	8	33
$\bar{\nu}_e e^-$	5	16	3	14
$(\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau) e^-$	8	25	3	11
$(\bar{\nu}_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\tau) e^-$	8	25	2	9
total $\nu e^-$			16	67
<b>Absorption</b>				
$\nu_e \text{ }^{40}\text{Ar}$ (Fermi)	3.5	11	28	118
$\nu_e \text{ }^{40}\text{Ar}$ (GT)	3.5	11	41	170
<b>Absorption</b>				
$\bar{\nu}_e \text{ }^{40}\text{Ar}$ (Fermi)	5	16	?	?
$\bar{\nu}_e \text{ }^{40}\text{Ar}$ (GT)	5	16	?	?
<b>Total</b>			<b>85</b>	<b>355</b>

Table 1: Expected neutrino rates for a supernova at a distance of 10 kpc, releasing an energy of  $3 \times 10^{53}$  ergs (no threshold on the electron energy has been applied).

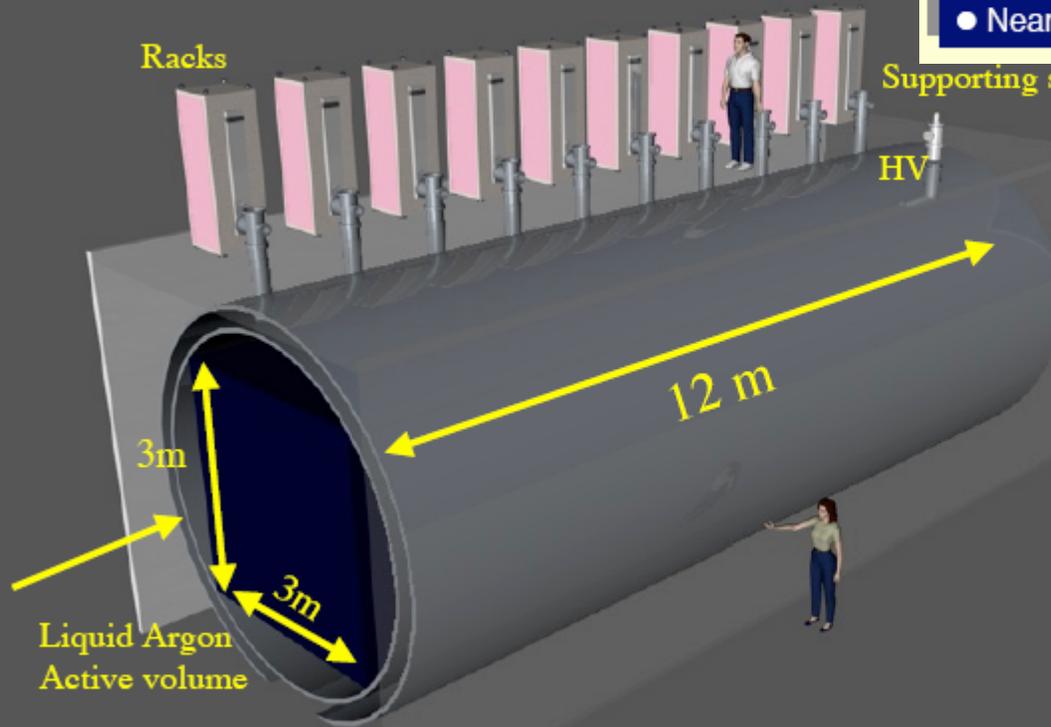
*Antineutrino electron absorption not yet included!*



# 100 ton detector

Conceptual design of a ~100 ton LAr TPC for a near station in a LBL facility:  
*a possibility being further explored*

- Precision studies of  $\nu$  interactions
- Calorimetry
- Near station in LBL facilities



Outer vessel	$\phi \approx 5\text{m}$ , $L \approx 13\text{m}$ , 15mm thick, weight $\approx 22\text{ t}$
Inner vessel	$\phi \approx 4,2\text{ m}$ , $L \approx 12\text{ m}$ , 8 mm thick, $\approx 10\text{ t}$
LAr	Total $\approx 240\text{ t}$ Fiducial $\approx 100\text{ t}$
Max e- drift	3 m @ HV=150 kV $E = 500\text{ V/cm}$
Charge R/O	2 views, $\pm 45^\circ$ 2 (3) mm pitch
Wires	$\approx 10000$ (7000) $\phi = 150\ \mu\text{m}$
R/O electr.	on top of the dewar
Scintill. light	Also for triggering
B-field	possible

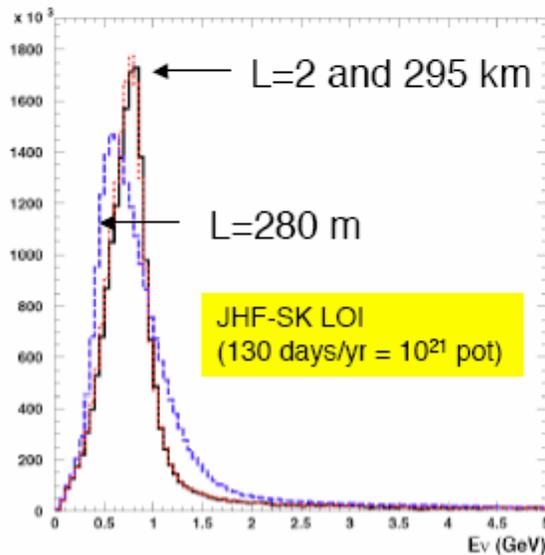
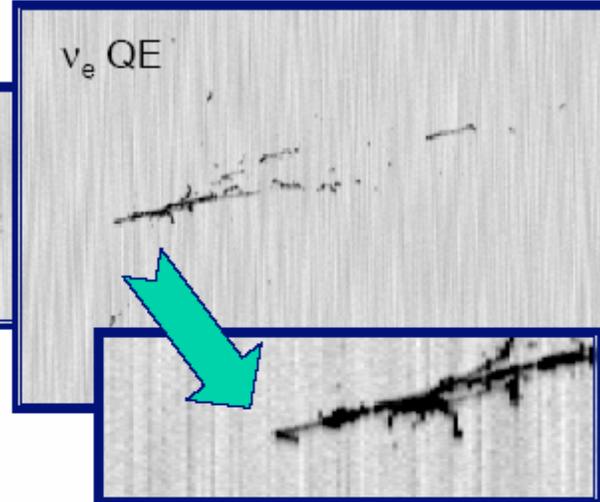
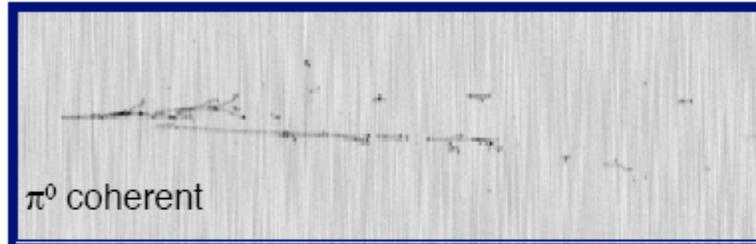
Ideas for future liquid Argon detectors

A.Ereditato, A.Rubbia, to appear in Proc. of NUINT04, LNGS, March 2004

# 100 ton $LAr$ TPC at T2K?

T2K would provide an ideal & high intensity beam for such a  $\approx 100$  ton detector

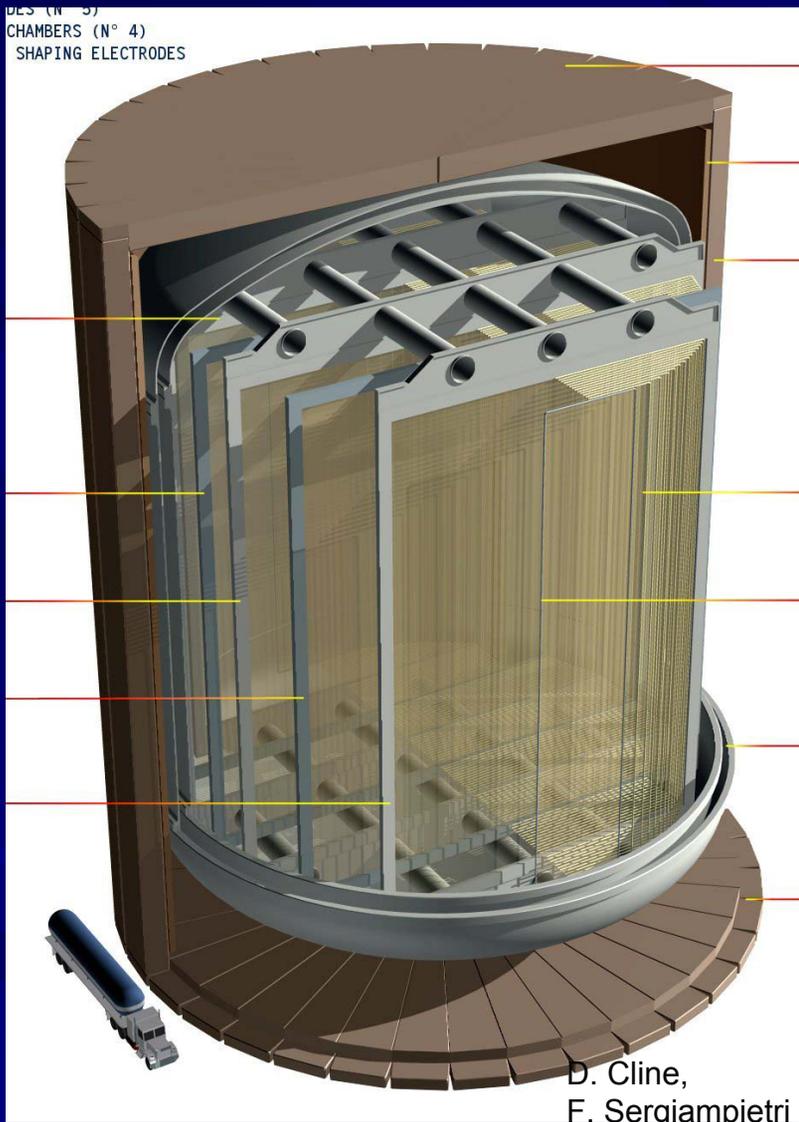
full simulation, digitization, and noise inclusion



For example: 100 ton @ L=2000 m

Beam	$E_{\text{peak}}$ (GeV)	$\nu_{\mu}$	$\nu_e$
OA2	0.7	300000/yr 0.1/spill	5800/yr 45/day

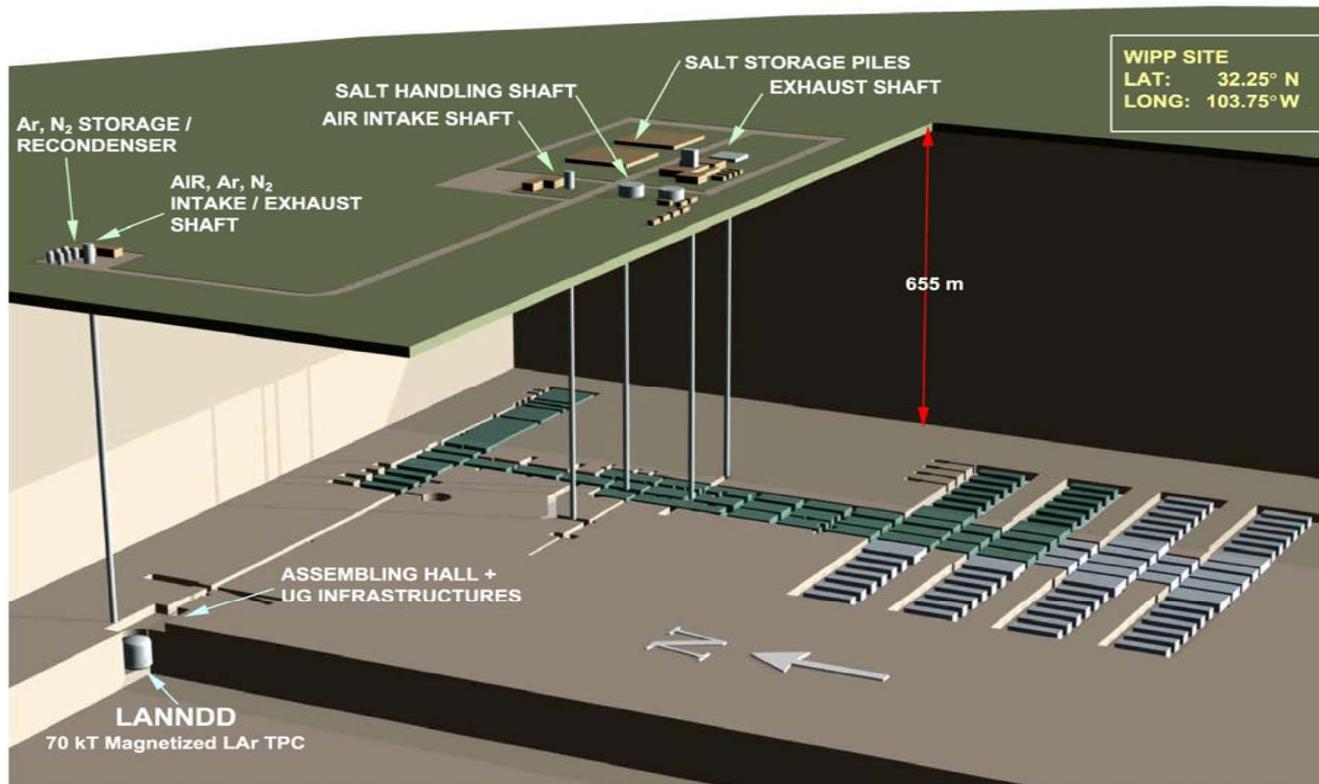
# LANND



- 50-100 kton detector
- Magnetized Liquid Argon TPC
- 4-8 meters drift distances

# LANNDD

## LANNDD at the WIPP site at Carlsbad (NM)

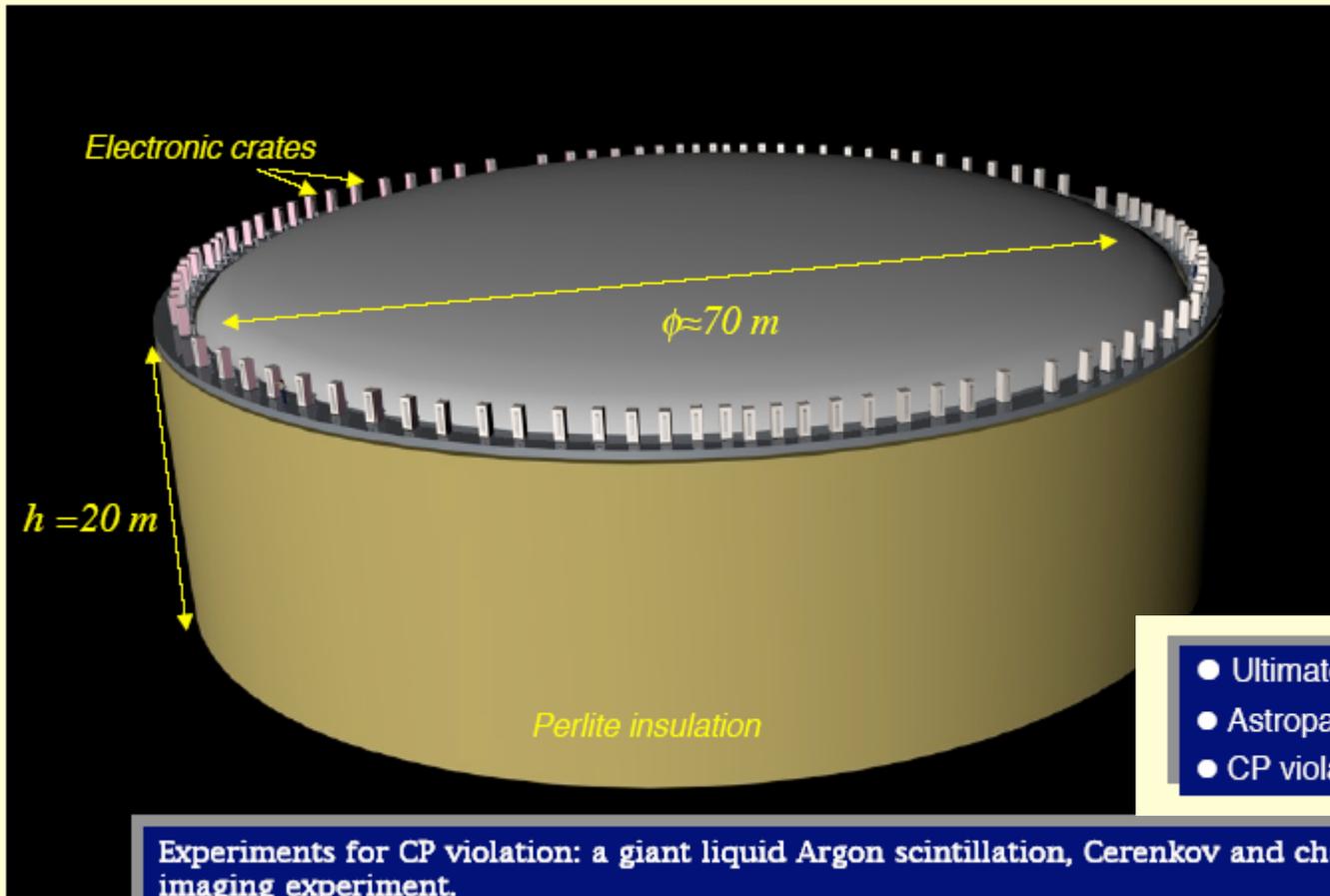


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# The ultimate LAr TPC Detector?

## 100 kton liquid Argon TPC detector



- Ultimate nucleon decay searches
- Astroparticle physics
- CP violation in neutrino mixing

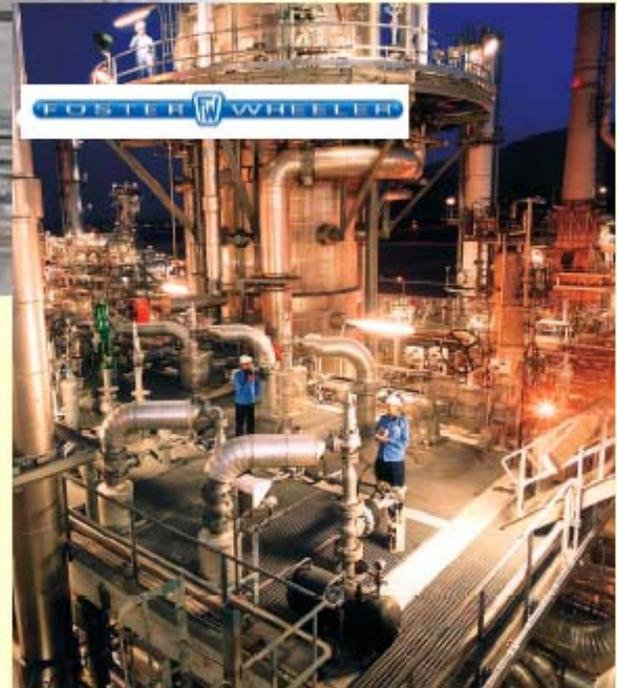
Experiments for CP violation: a giant liquid Argon scintillation, Cerenkov and charge imaging experiment.

A.Rubbia, Proc. II Int. Workshop on Neutrinos in Venice, 2003, hep-ph/0402110

# Industrial Solutions

LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas

**Cryogenic storage tankers for LNG**



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"I learned a lot from the Shell training course. It was detailed, relevant to our business and moved at the right pace"  
— An engineer, Nigeria LNG

 Shell Global Solutions

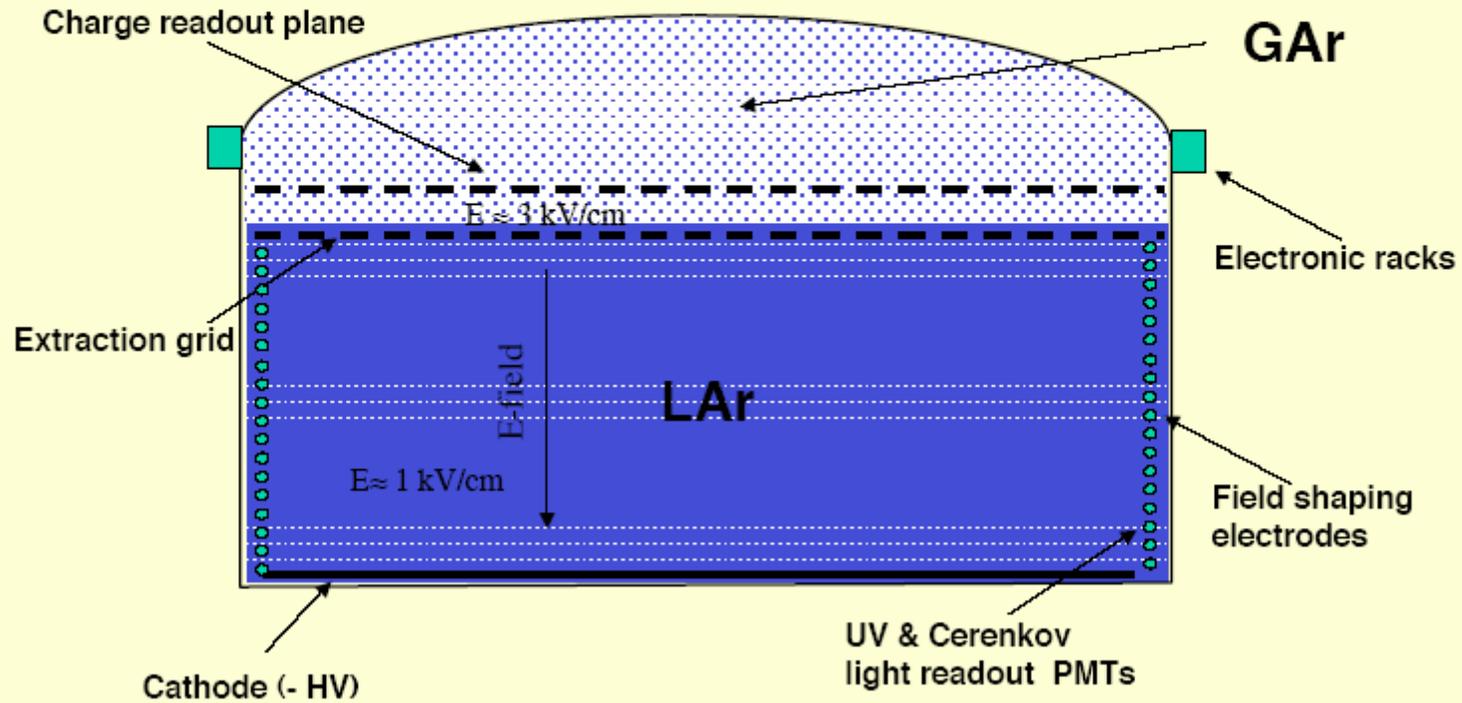
About 2000 cryogenic tankers exist in the world, with volume up to  $\approx 200000 \text{ m}^3$

Process, design and safety issues already solved by petrochemical industry

# Detector Layout

## A tentative detector layout

Single detector: charge imaging, scintillation, Cerenkov light



# Operation in Bi-Phase Mode

## Charge extraction, amplification, readout

### Detector is running in **BI-PHASE MODE**

- Long drift ( $\approx 20$  m)  $\Rightarrow$  charge attenuation to be compensated by charge amplification near anodes located in gas phase (18000 e<sup>-</sup> / 3 mm for a MIP in LAr)
- Amplification operates in proportional mode
- After maximum drift of 20 m @ 1 kV/cm  $\Rightarrow$  diffusion  $\approx$  readout pitch  $\approx$  3 mm

Electron drift in liquid	20 m maximum drift, HV = 2 MV for E = 1 kV/cm, $v_d \approx 2$ mm/ $\mu$ s, max drift time $\approx 10$ ms
Charge readout view	2 perpendicular views, 3 mm pitch, 100000 readout channels
Maximum charge diffusion	$\sigma \approx 2.8$ mm ( $\sqrt{2Dt_{\max}}$ for D = 4 cm <sup>2</sup> /s)
Maximum charge attenuation	$e^{-(t_{\max}/\tau)} \approx 1/150$ for $\tau = 2$ ms electron lifetime
Needed charge amplification	From 100 to 1000
Methods for amplification	Extraction to and amplification in gas phase
Possible solutions	Thin wires ( $\phi \approx 30$ $\mu$ m) + pad readout, GEM, LEM, ...

# Tentative Parameter List

Dewar	$\phi \approx 70$ m, height $\approx 20$ m, perlite insulated, heat input $\approx 5$ W/m <sup>2</sup>
Argon storage	Boiling Argon, low pressure (<100 mbar overpressure)
Argon total volume	73000 m <sup>3</sup> , ratio area/volume $\approx 15\%$
Argon total mass	102000 tons
Hydrostatic pressure at bottom	3 atmospheres
Inner detector dimensions	Disc $\phi \approx 70$ m located in gas phase above liquid phase
Charge readout electronics	100000 channels, 100 racks on top of the dewar
Scintillation light readout	Yes (also for triggering), 1000 immersed 8" PMTs with WLS
Visible light readout	Yes (Cerenkov light), 27000 immersed 8" PMTs of 20% coverage, single $\gamma$ counting capability

# Physics with a 100 Kton LAr TPC

	Water Cerenkov (UNO)	Liquid Argon TPC
Total mass	650 kton	100 kton
Cost	≈ 500 M\$	Under evaluation
$p \rightarrow e \pi^0$ in 10 years	$10^{35}$ years $\epsilon = 43\%$ , ≈ 30 BG events	$3 \times 10^{34}$ years $\epsilon = 45\%$ , 1 BG event
$p \rightarrow \nu K$ in 10 years	$2 \times 10^{34}$ years $\epsilon = 8.6\%$ , ≈ 57 BG events	$8 \times 10^{34}$ years $\epsilon = 97\%$ , 1 BG event
$p \rightarrow \mu \pi K$ in 10 years	No	$8 \times 10^{34}$ years $\epsilon = 98\%$ , 1 BG event
SN cool off @ 10 kpc	194000 (mostly $\bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$ )	38500 (all flavors) (64000 if NH-L mixing)
SN in Andromeda	40 events	7 (12 if NH-L mixing)
SN burst @ 10 kpc	≈ 330 $\nu$ -e elastic scattering	380 $\nu_e$ CC (flavor sensitive)
SN relic	Yes	Yes
Atmospheric neutrinos	60000 events/year	10000 events/year
Solar neutrinos	$E_e > 7$ MeV (central module)	324000 events/year $E_e > 5$ MeV

Review of massive underground detectors

A. Rubbia, Proc. XI Int. Conf. on Calorimetry in H.E.P., CALOR04, Perugia, March 2004

