

Neutrinos and beyond with LHC's forward beam



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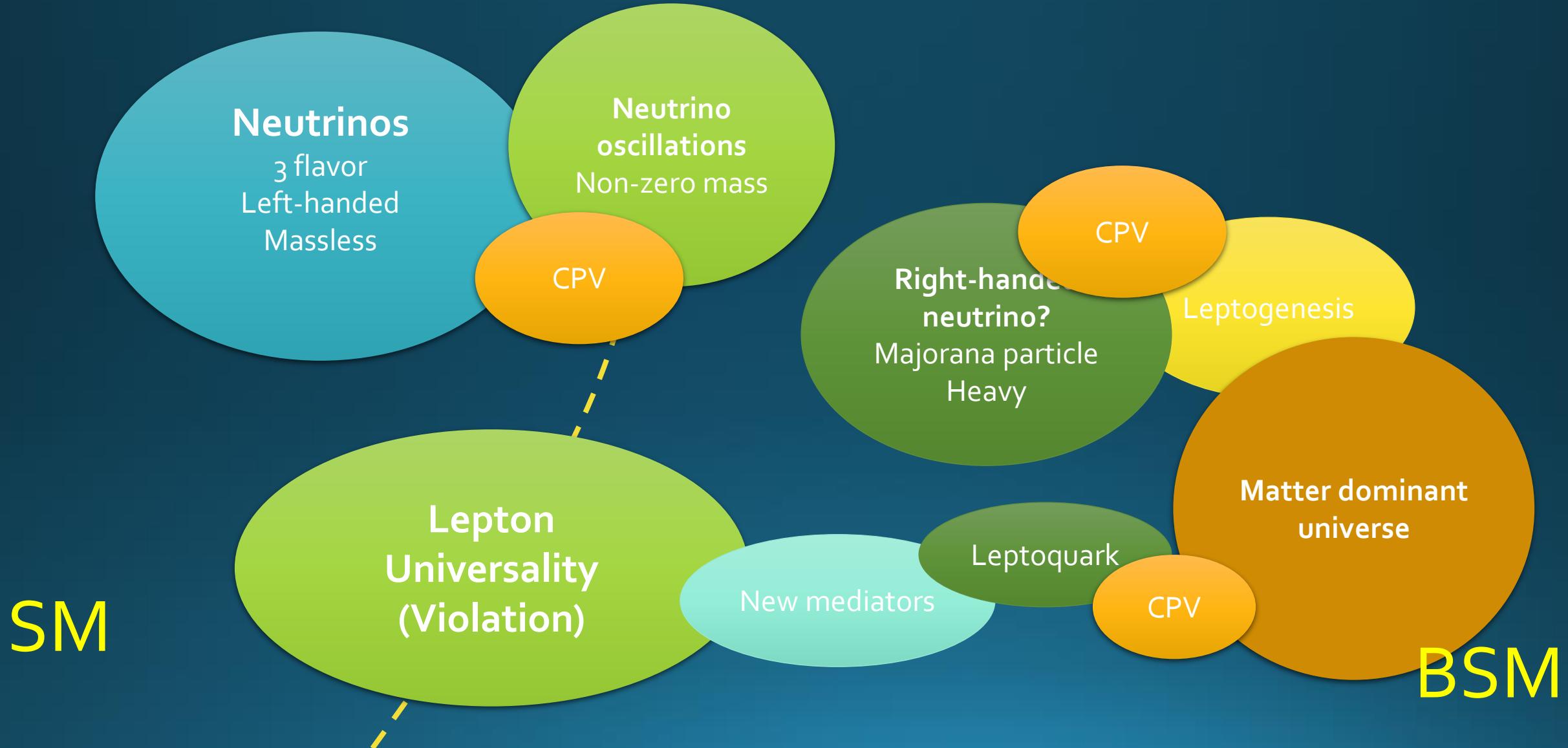


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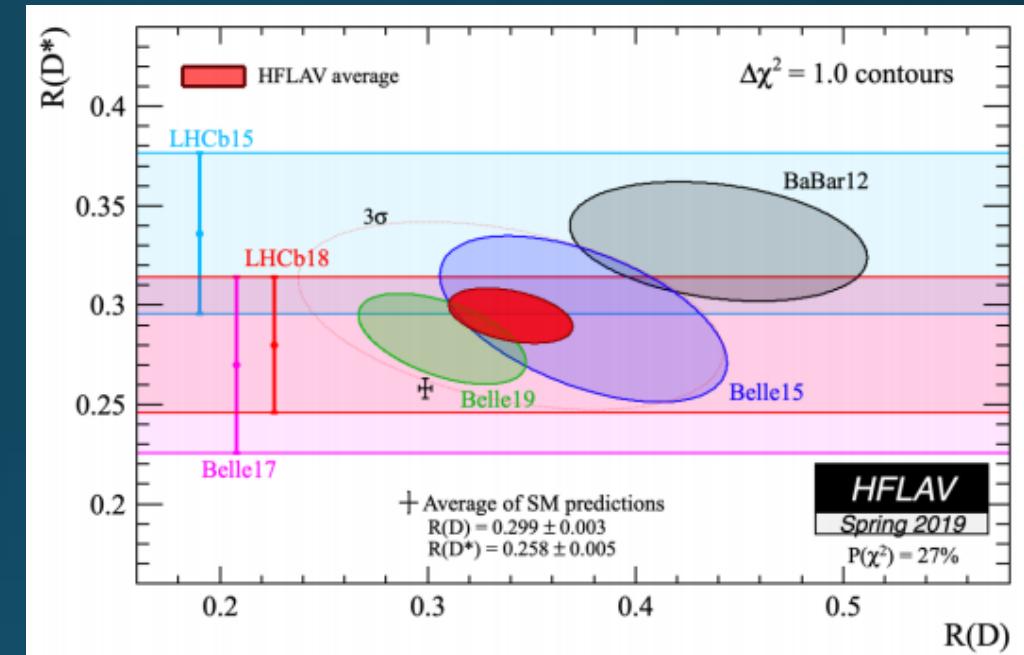


Neutrino physics ;



“Flavor anomaly”

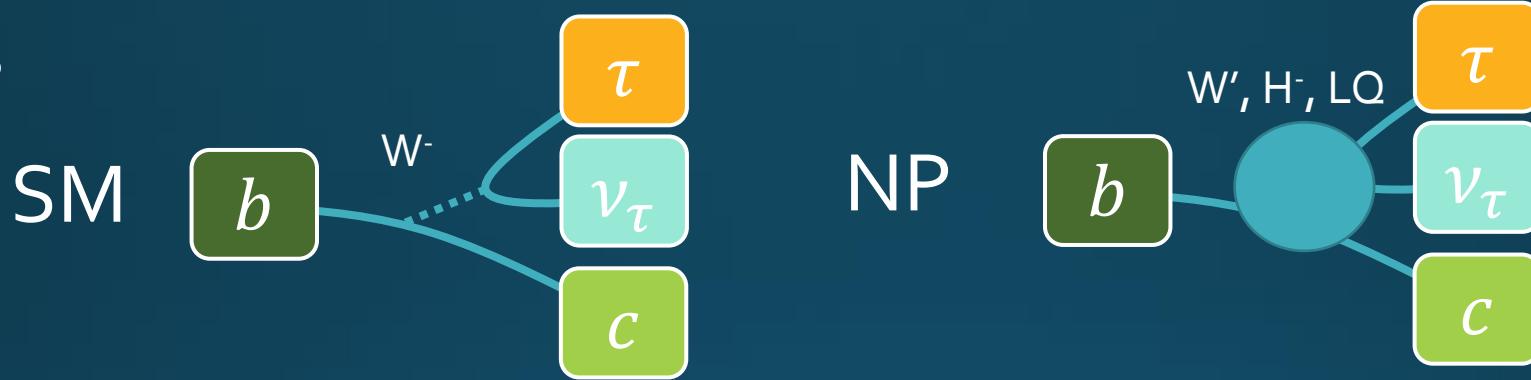
$$R(D) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau D)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow \mu \nu_\mu D)}$$



Possible contribution from new physics in heavy flavors!?

New physics effect?

B decays

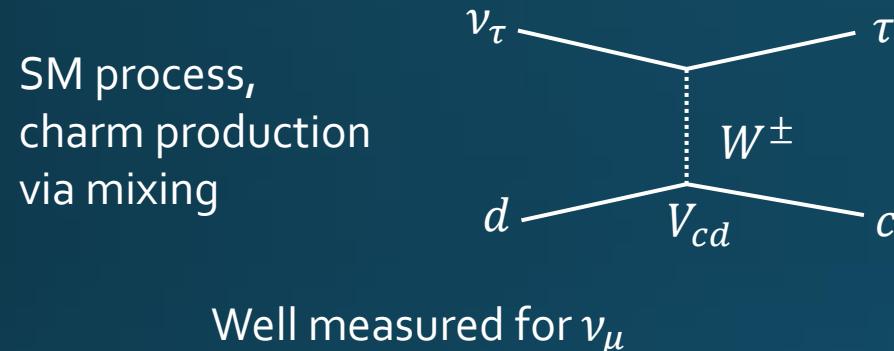


Neutrino CC beauty production

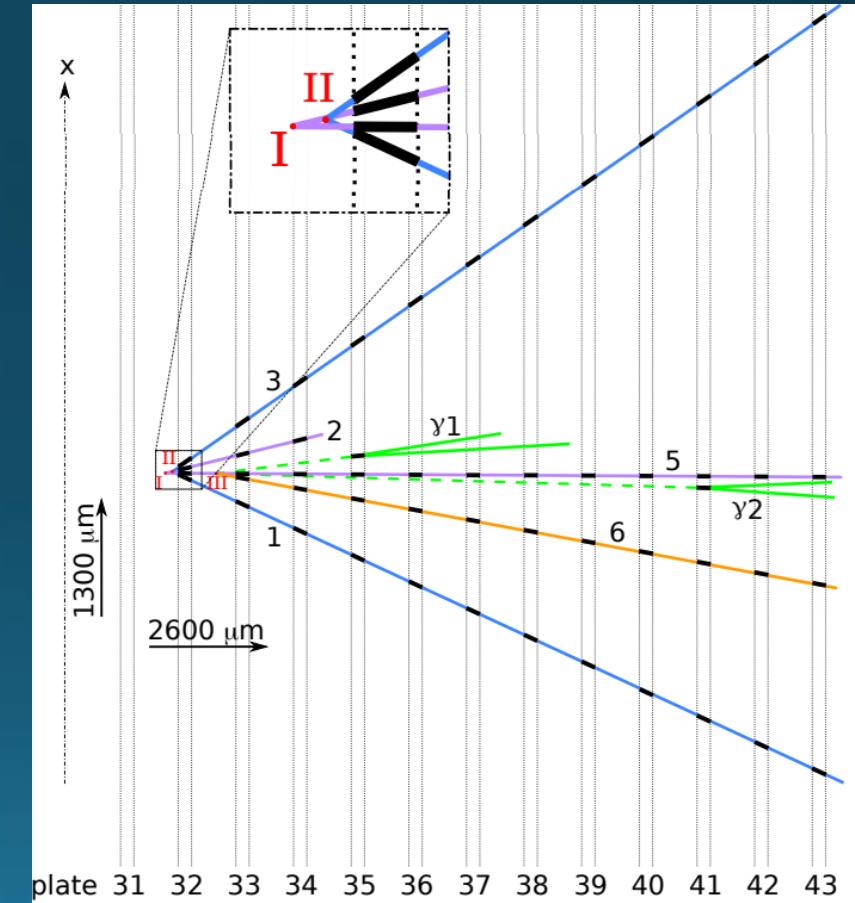


Why leptons are universal?
Why we have 3 generations?
Anything special for 3rd generation?

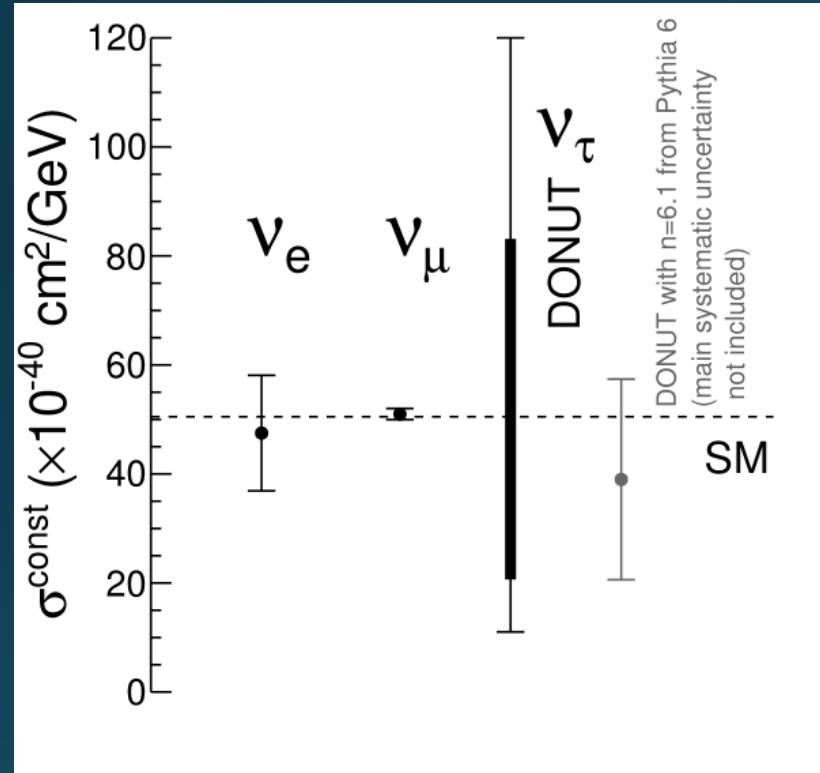
OPERA's ν_τ induced charm production event



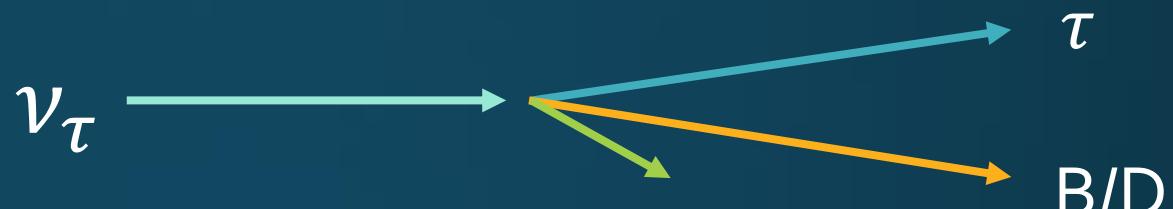
- 1 event was observed with surprise
- Expectation:
 - Signal 0.04
 - Background <0.05
- Could also be a hint of new physics!?



Status of Lepton Universality testing in neutrino scattering



Poor constraint for ν_τ



High energy neutrinos ($E_\nu > 100 \text{ GeV}$) is required to access heavy flavor channels

→ Need high statistics and high energy beam experiment!

LHC as neutrino source?

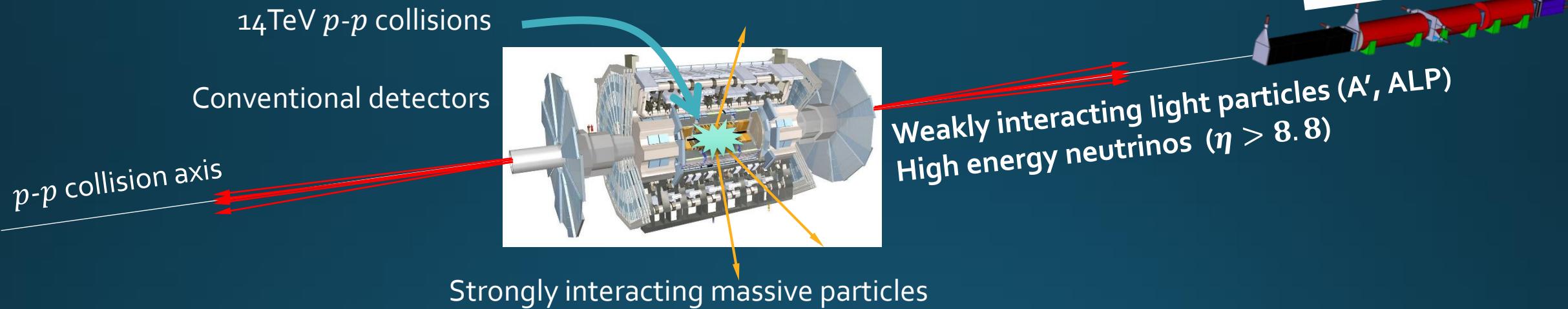
Large Hadron Collider
27 km circumference
7 TeV + 7 TeV



Let's open new domain of research! **Neutrino**



experiment: LLPs and neutrinos



No neutrino has ever been detected at the LHC, nor at any colliders

FASER (new particle searches) was approved by CERN in Mar 2019 [arXiv:1812.09139](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.09139)

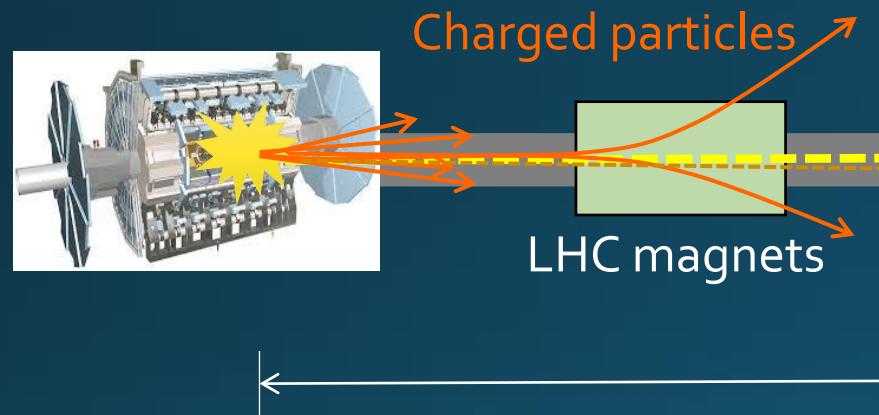
FASER ν (neutrino program) was approved in Dec 2019 [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2020\) 80: 61](https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10050-020-08611-1)

Data taking is starting in 2022!

More → FASER web page: <https://faser.web.cern.ch/>

LHC's “neutrino beamline”

$p\text{-}p$ collision at ATLAS



480 m

Neutrinos

Neutral hadrons

LHC tunnel

FASER ν

FASER

100 m of rock

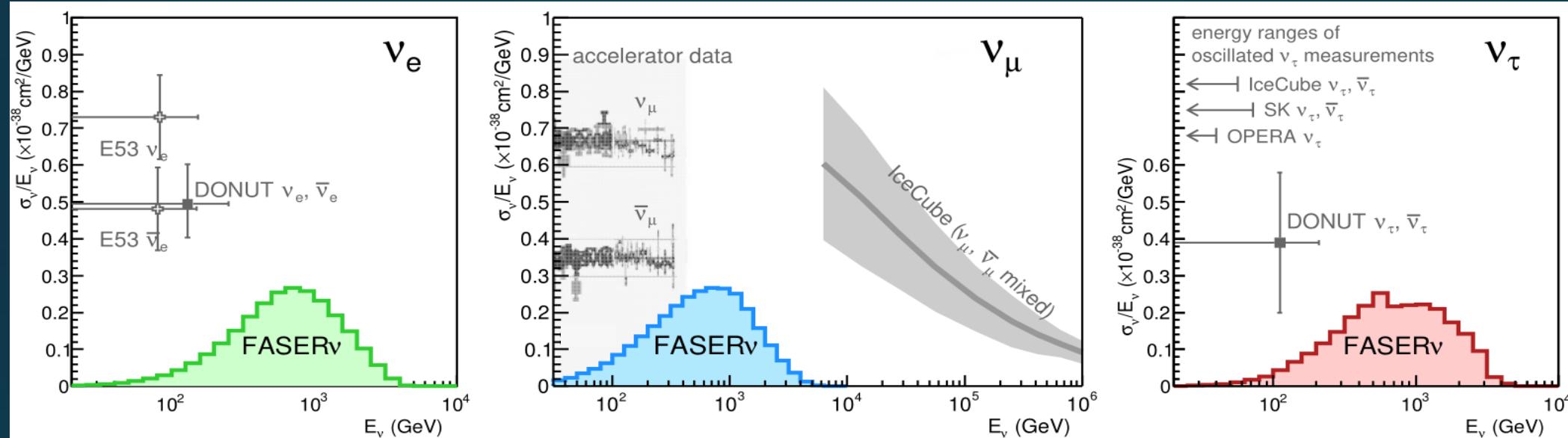
Service tunnel

150 fb^{-1}
 $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{16} p\text{-}p$
collisions

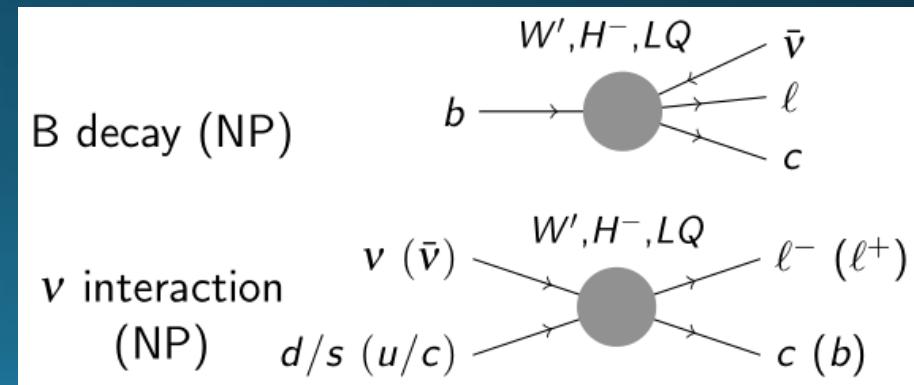
$5 \times 10^{11} \nu_e$
 $3 \times 10^{12} \nu_\mu$
 $1 \times 10^{10} \nu_\tau$
Mean interacting energy $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$

Backgrounds
 $O(10^9) \mu$
 $O(10^4) n/K^0$

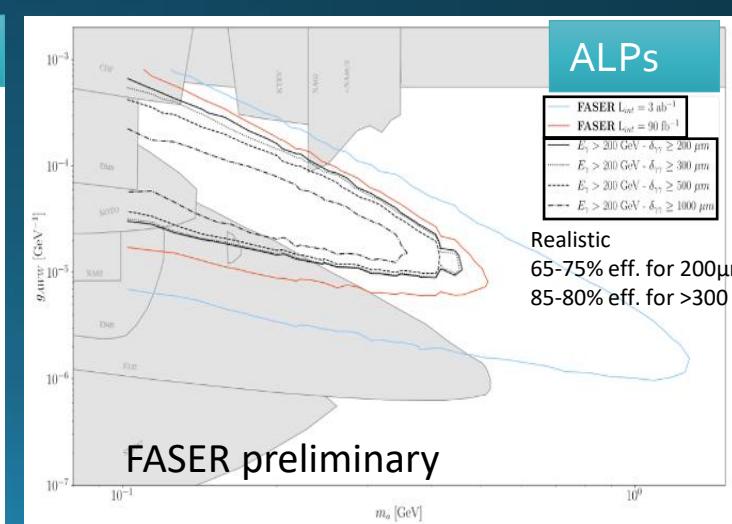
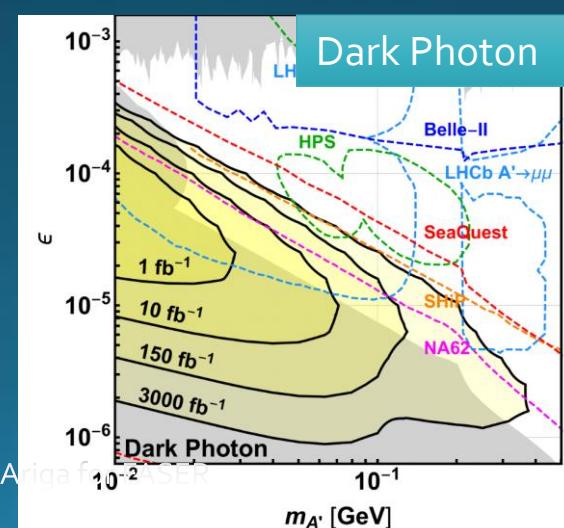
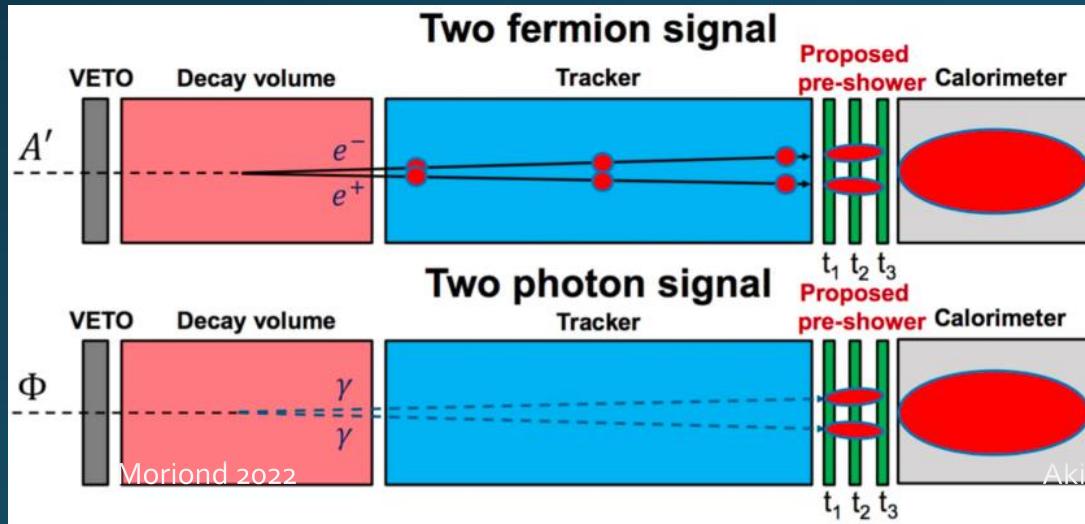
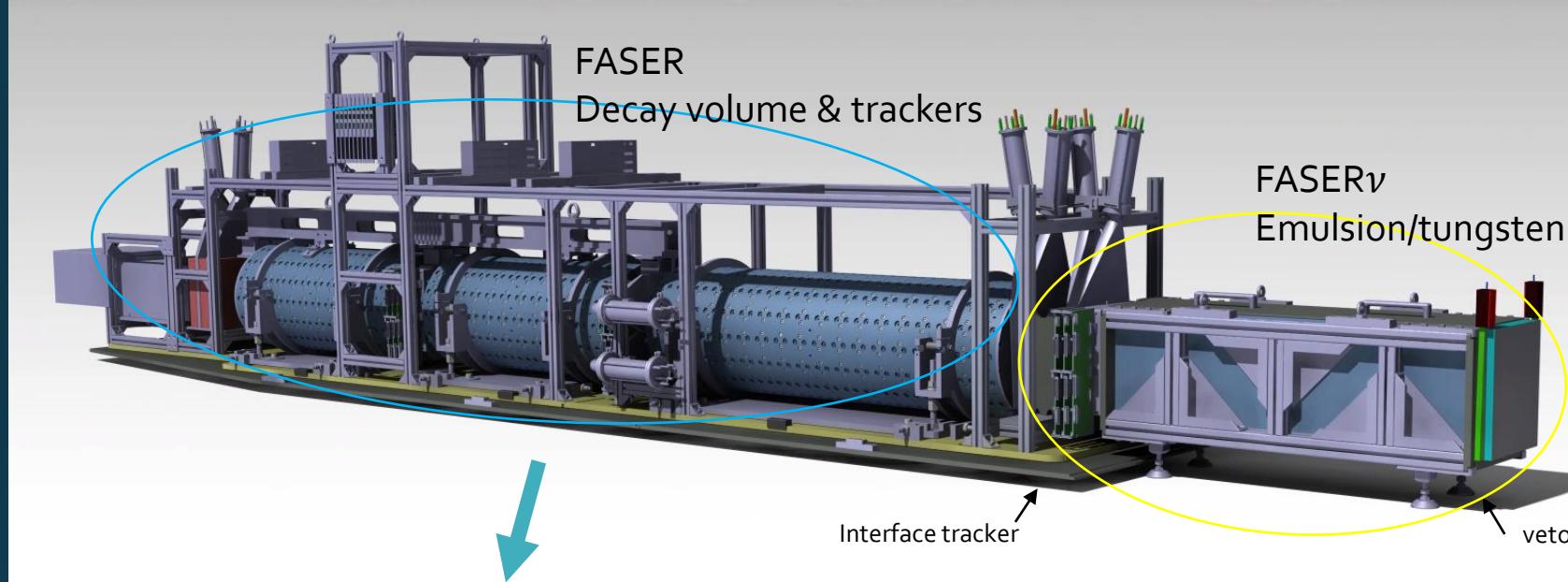
Motivations for high energy neutrinos



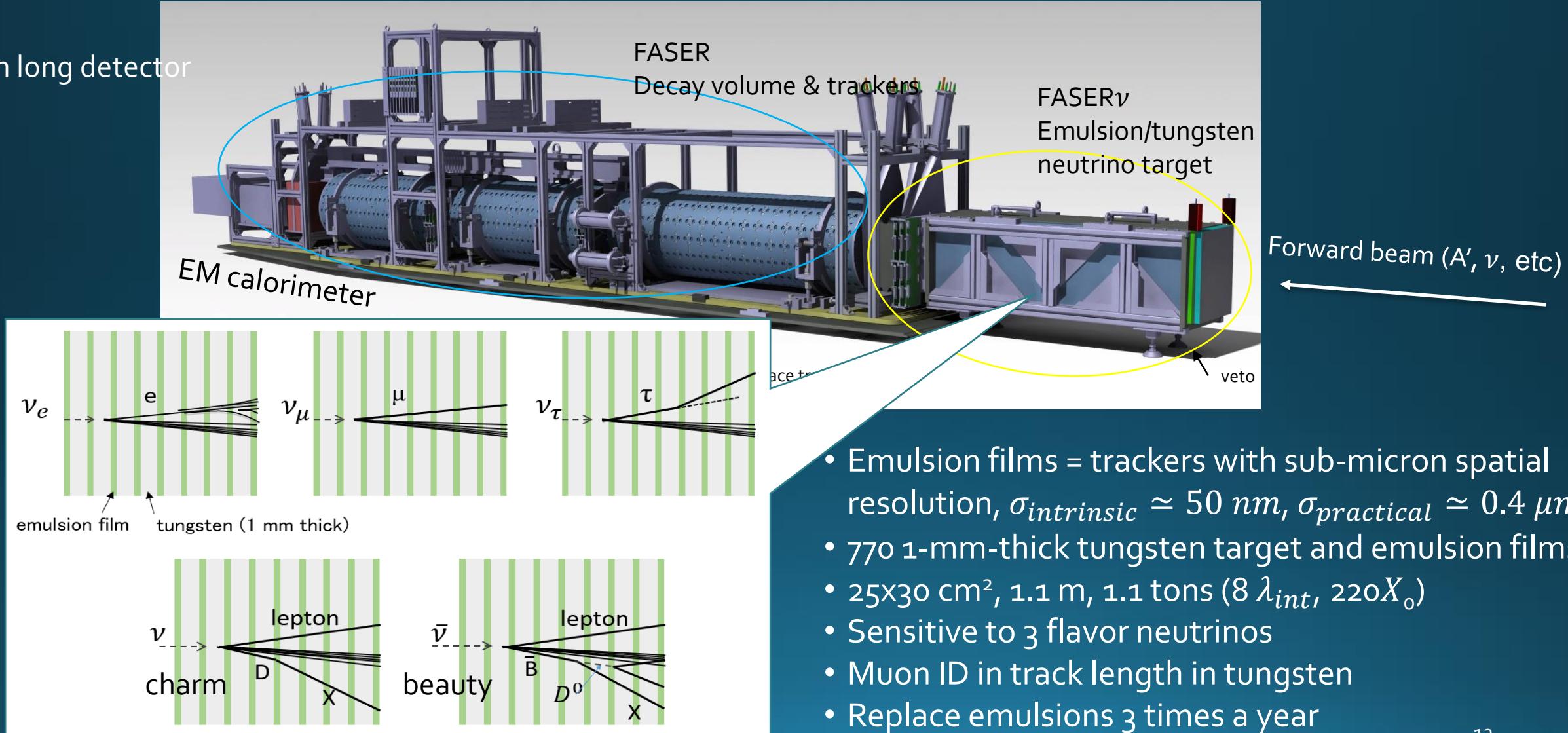
- Behavior of neutrinos at TeV energies?
- Lepton Universality in neutrino scattering?
 - ν_τ and heavy quarks → Flavor anomaly e.g. R_D
- Any new physics effects at high energy?
- → High energy neutrinos from the LHC!



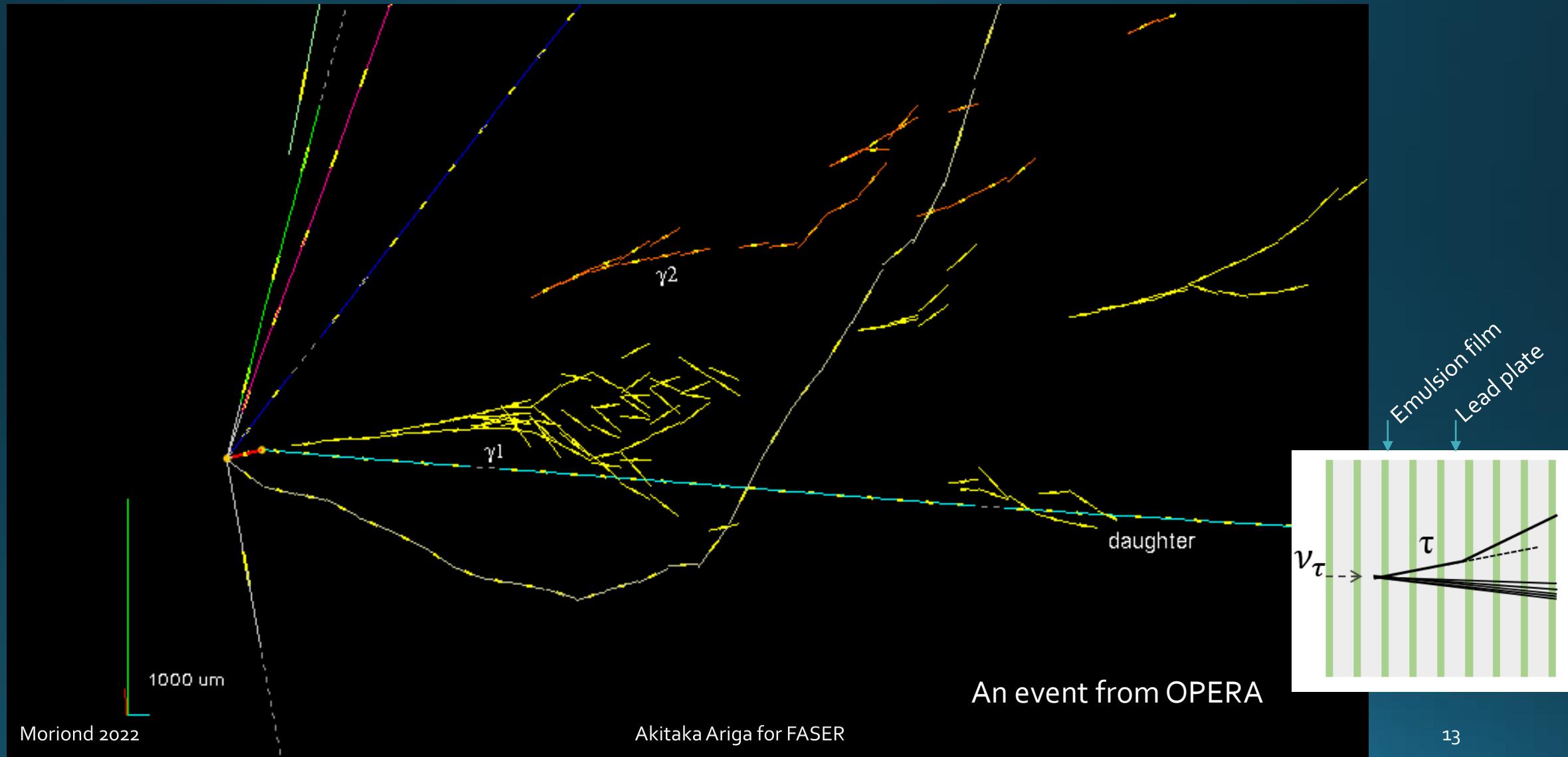
FASTER/FASER ν detector



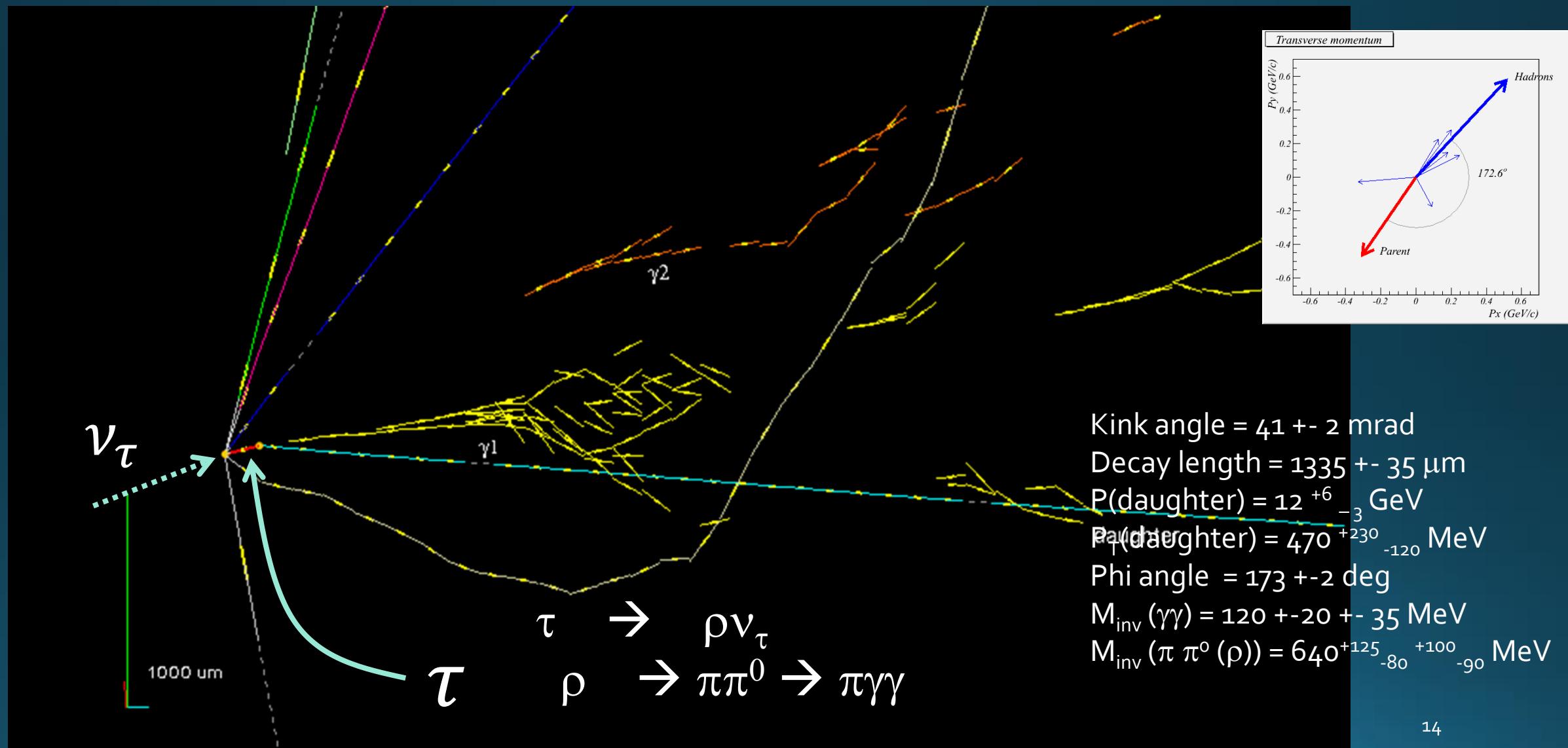
FASER+FASER ν detector in Run3 (2022-2025)



Emulsion-based neutrino detector

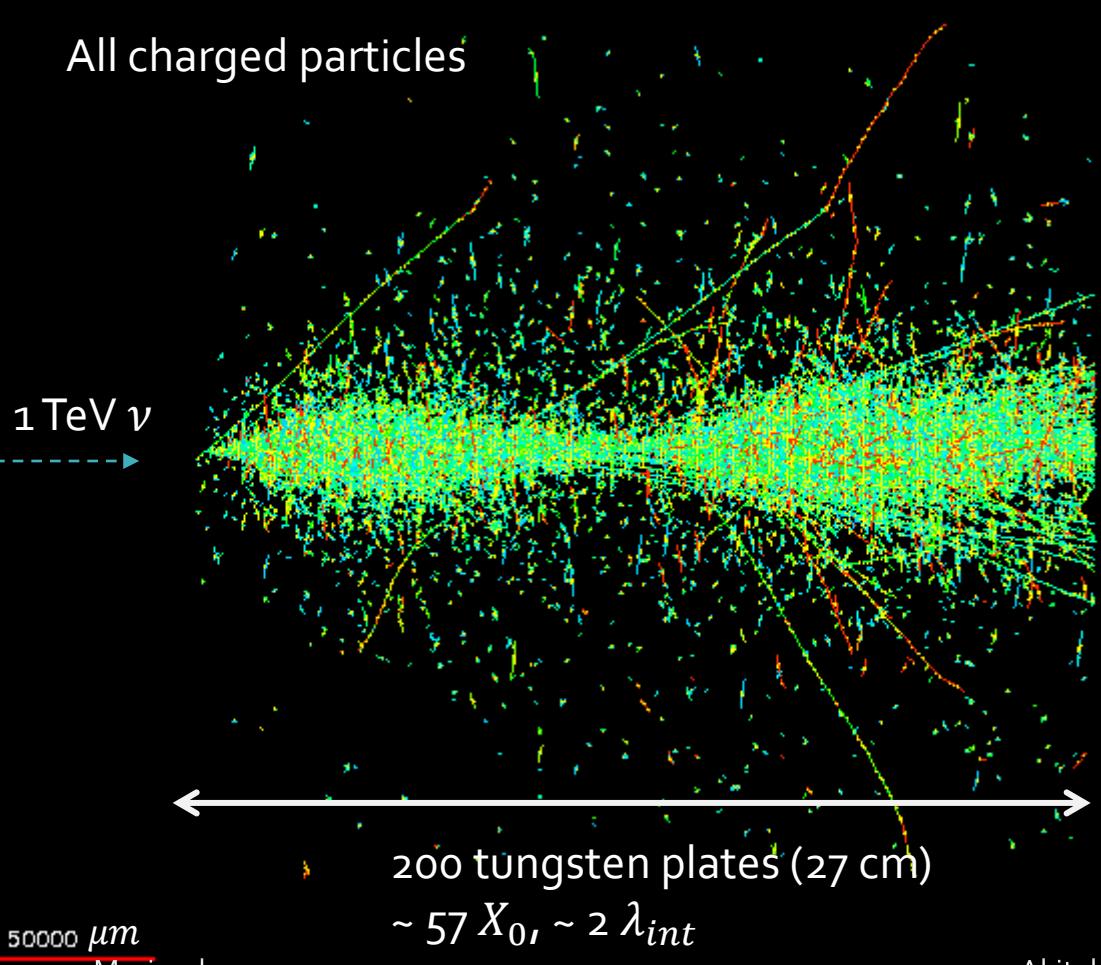


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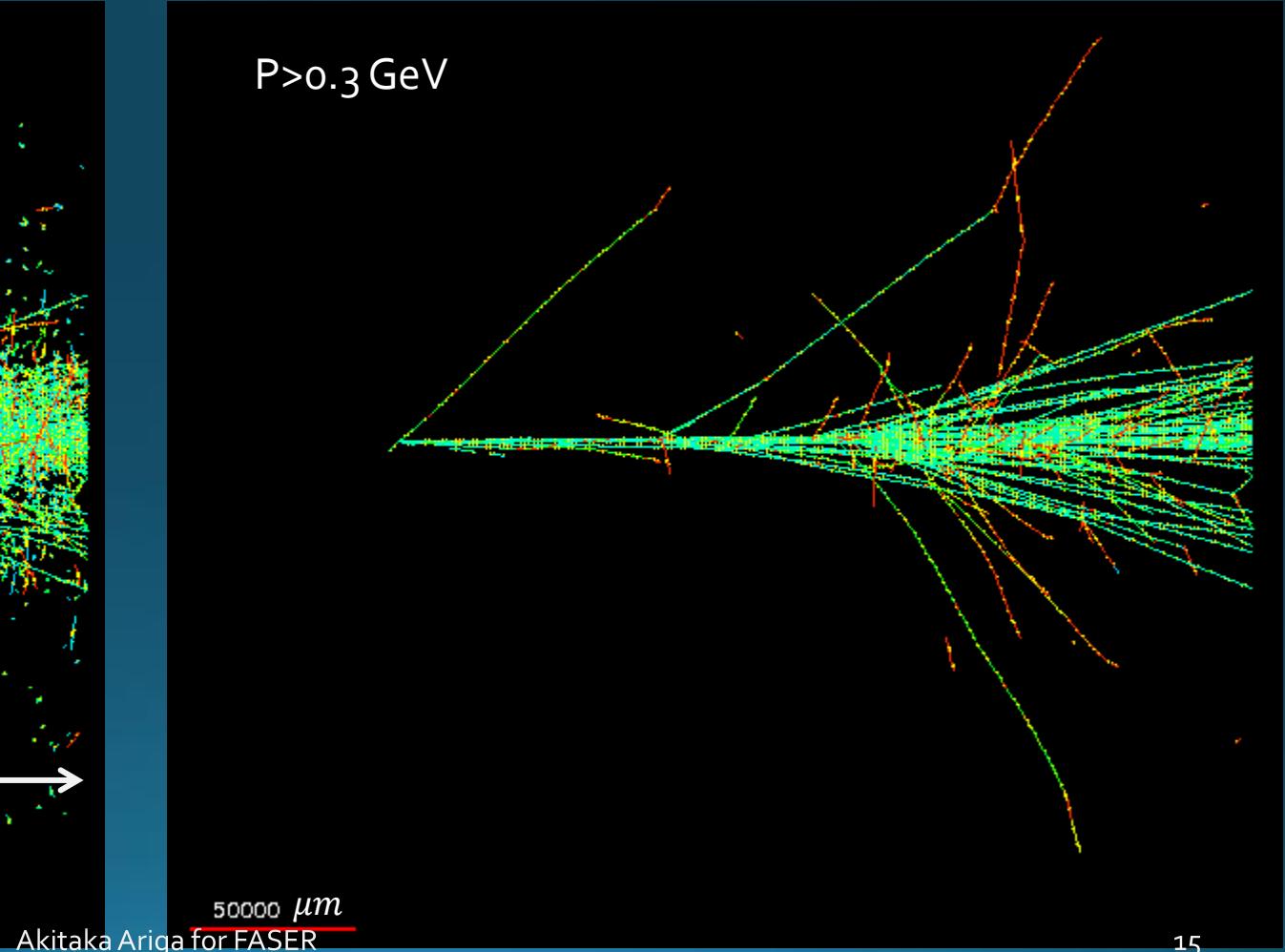


Simulated 1 TeV ν_μ CC interaction

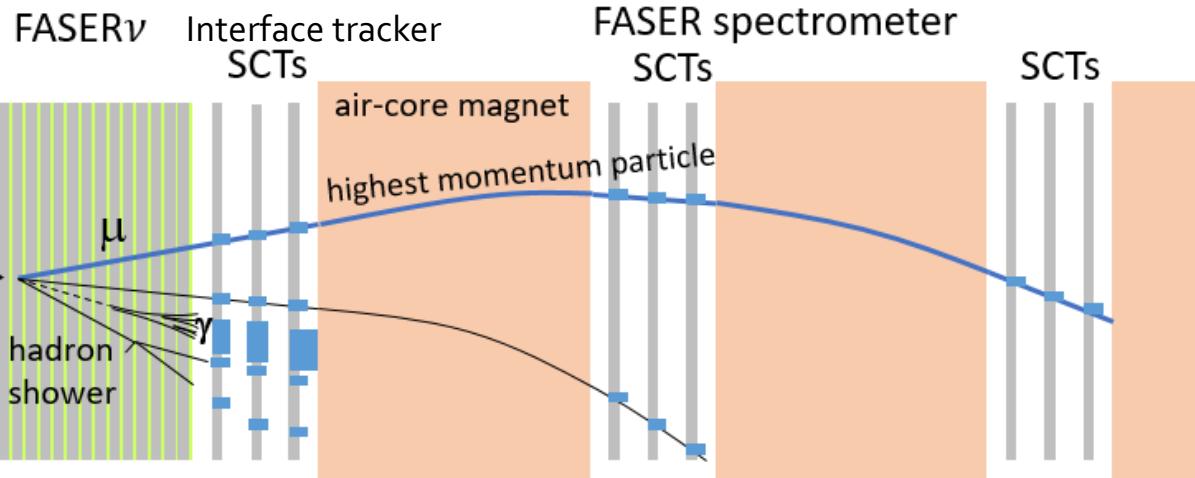
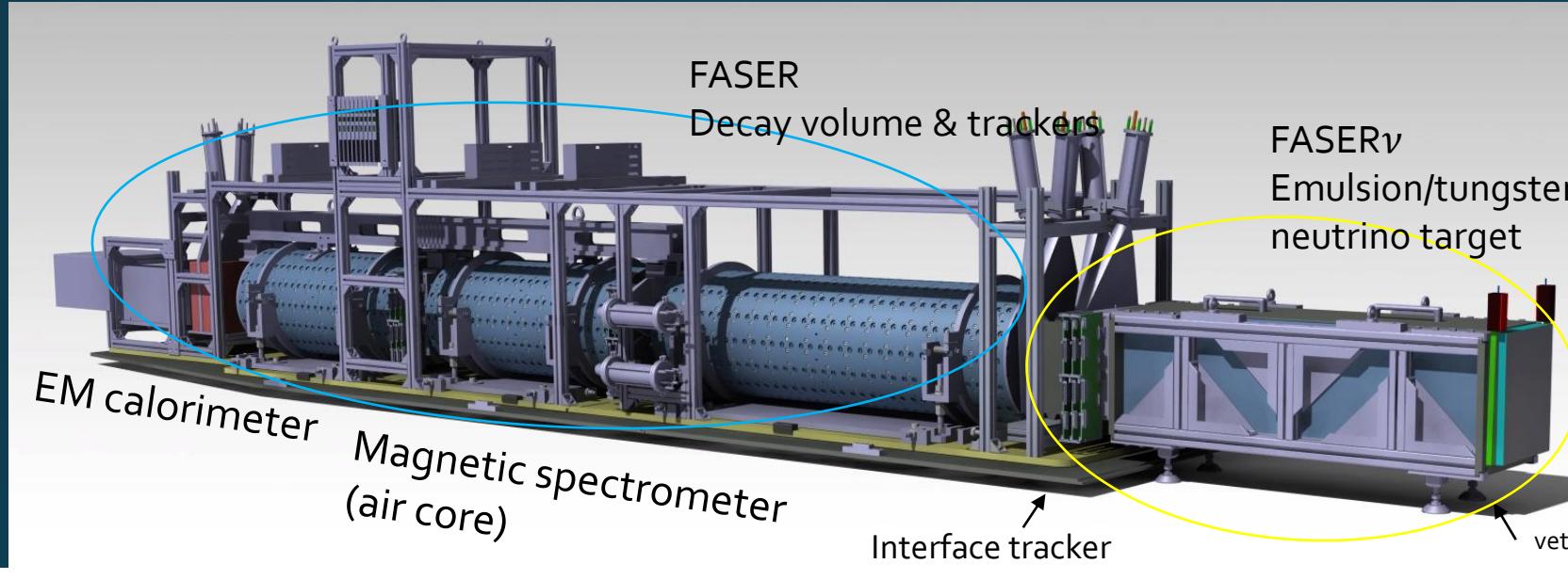
All charged particles



$P > 0.3 \text{ GeV}$



FASER+FASER ν detector in Run3 (2022-2025)



- Global reconstruction with FASER spectrometer
 - muon charge identification
 - $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ separation
- Improve energy resolution

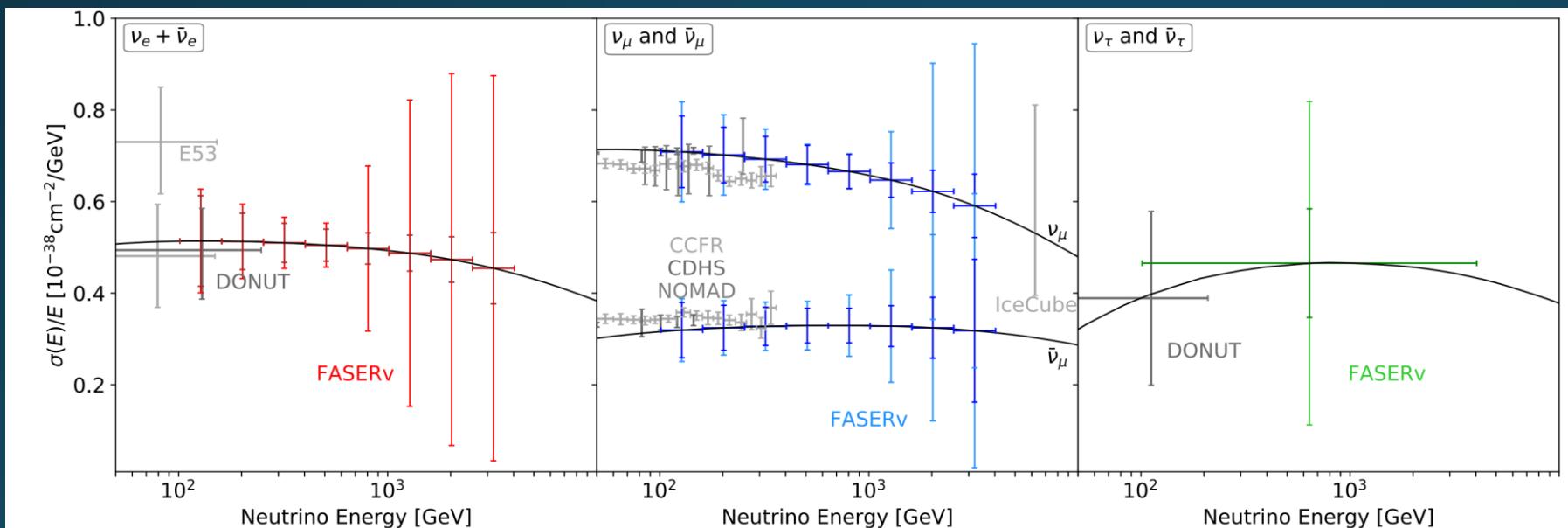
Neutrino cross sections

arXiv:[2105.08270](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.08270)

- Three flavors neutrino cross section measurements at unexplored energies
- ~10,000 ν interactions expected in LHC Run 3
- NC interaction studies

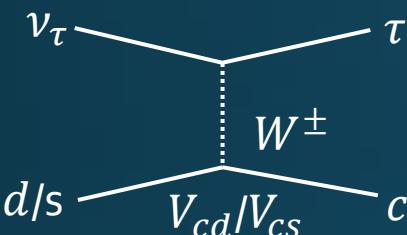
Generators		FASERν		
light hadrons	heavy hadrons	$\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau$
SIBYLL	SIBYLL	901	4783	14.7
DPMJET	DPMJET	3457	7088	97
EPOS LHC	Pythia8 (Hard)	1513	5905	34.2
QGSJET	Pythia8 (Soft)	970	5351	16.1
Combination (all)		1710^{+1746}_{-809}	5782^{+1306}_{-998}	$40.5^{+56.6}_{-25.8}$
Combination (w/o DPMJET)		1128^{+385}_{-227}	5346^{+558}_{-563}	$21.6^{+12.5}_{-6.9}$

Expected CC interactions with 150 fb^{-1}



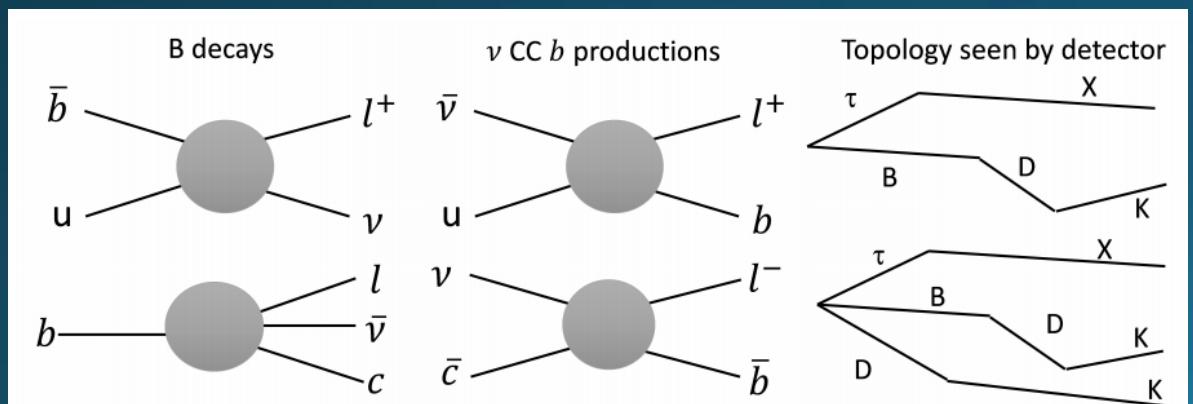
Heavy-flavor-associated channels

- Measure charm production channels
 - Large rate $\sim 15\% \nu$ CC events, $\mathcal{O}(1000)$ events
 - First measurement of ν_e induced charm prod.



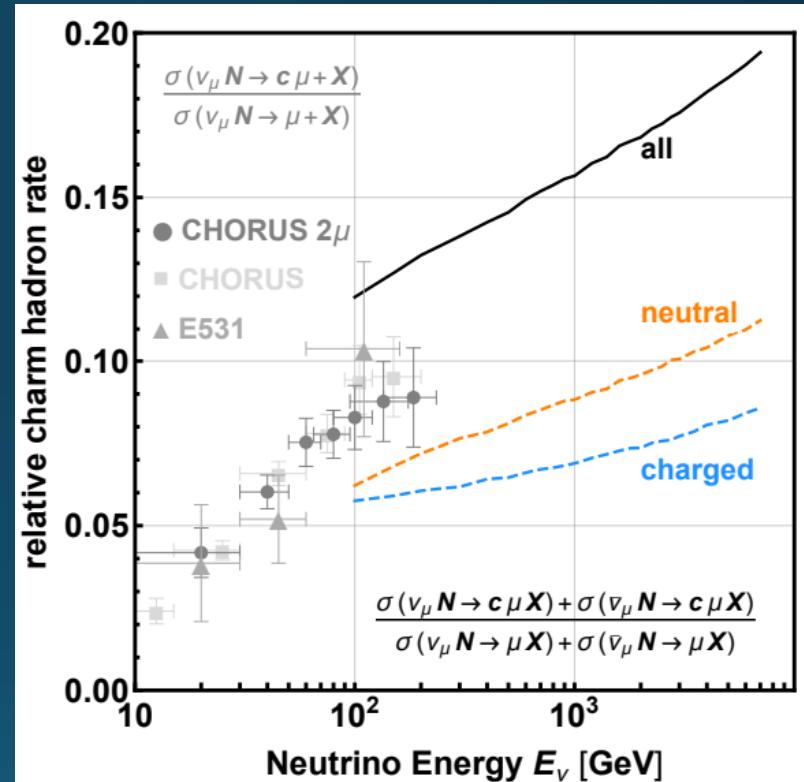
$$\frac{\sigma(\nu_\ell N \rightarrow \ell X_c + X)}{\sigma(\nu_\ell N \rightarrow \ell + X)} \quad \ell = e, \mu, \tau$$

- Search for beauty production channels
 - Expected SM events (ν_μ CC b production) are $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$ events due to CKM suppression, $V_{ub}^2 \simeq 10^{-5}$



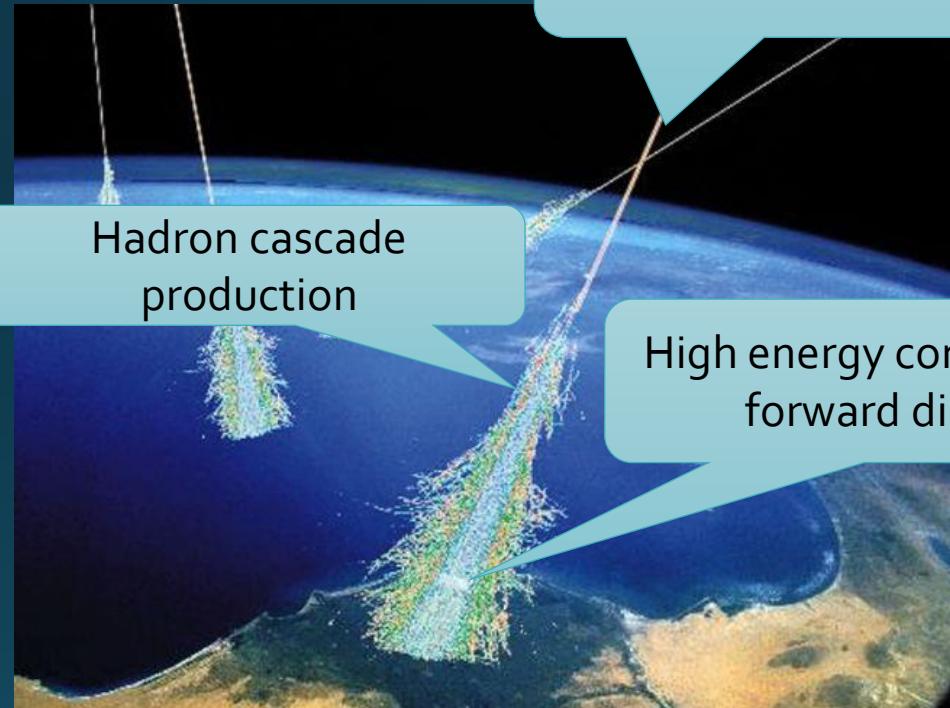
$$\bar{\nu}N \rightarrow \ell \bar{B}X$$

$$\bar{\nu}N \rightarrow \ell BDX$$

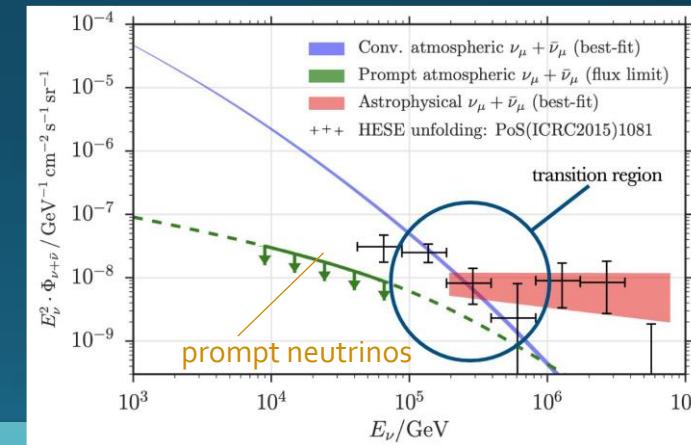
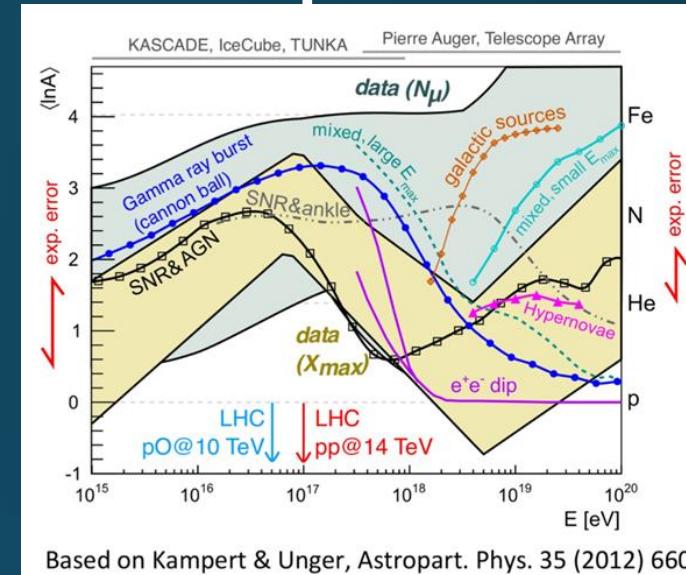


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Relation to cosmic rays, atmospheric leptons



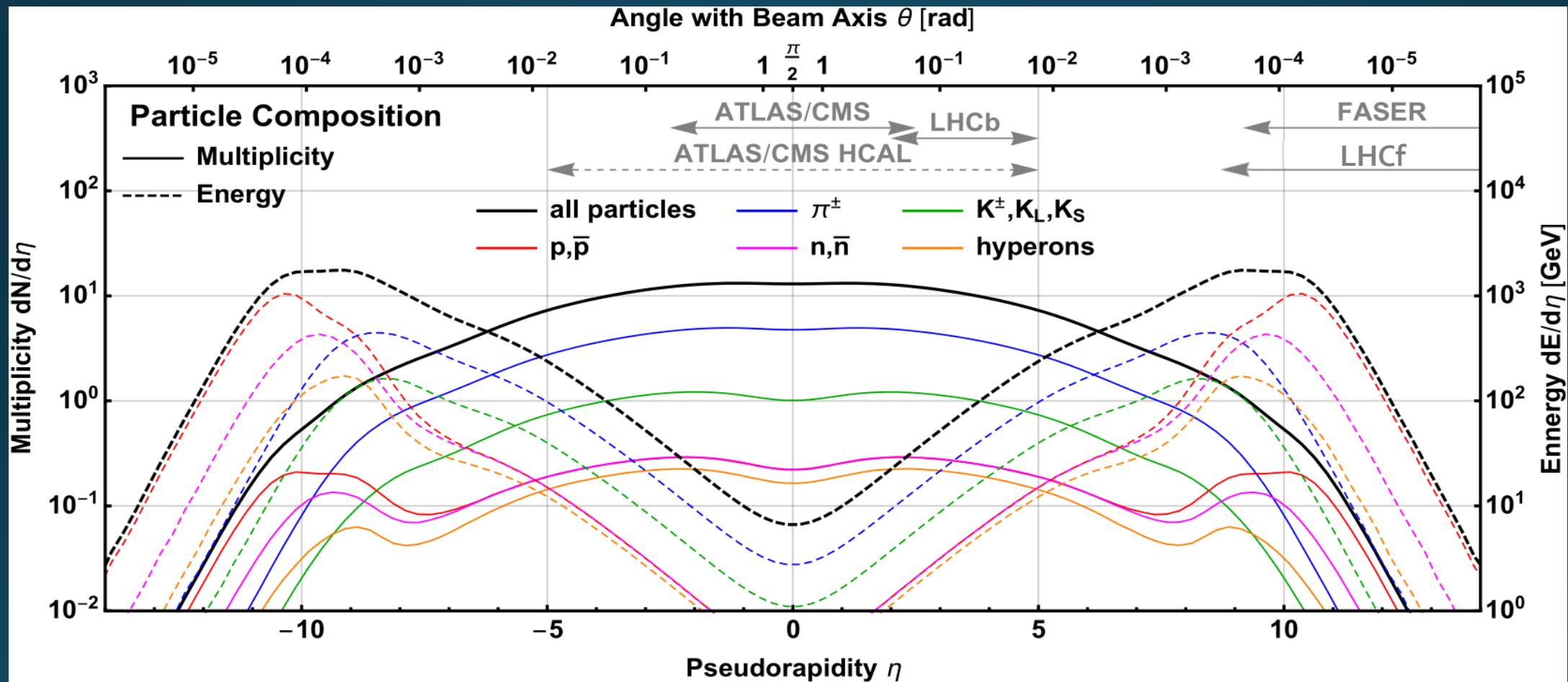
14 TeV collision = 100 PeV interaction in fixed target mode
Understanding of “Forward particle production with flavor sensitivity” is the key for future cosmic ray experiments



π/K

Charm

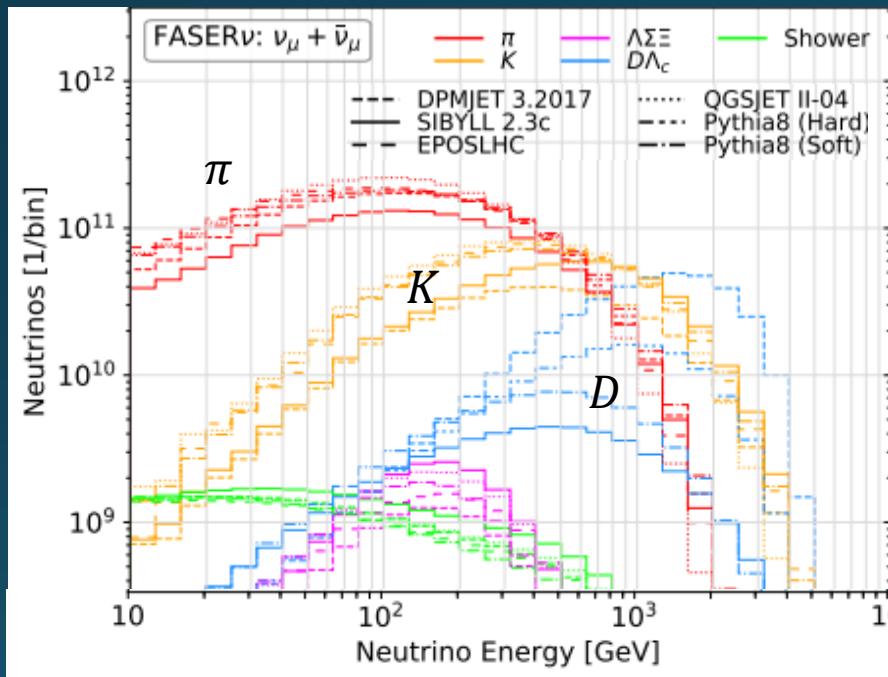
Neutrinos = proxy of forward hadron production



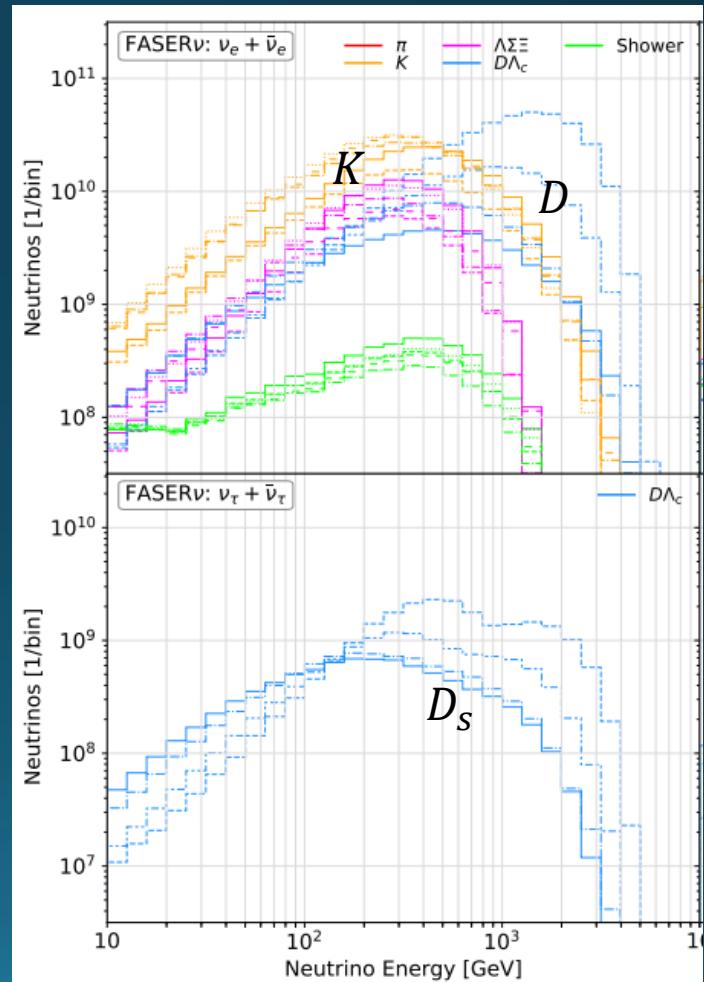
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- Pion, Kaon, charm contribute to different part of energy spectra and flavor

ν_μ



ν_e

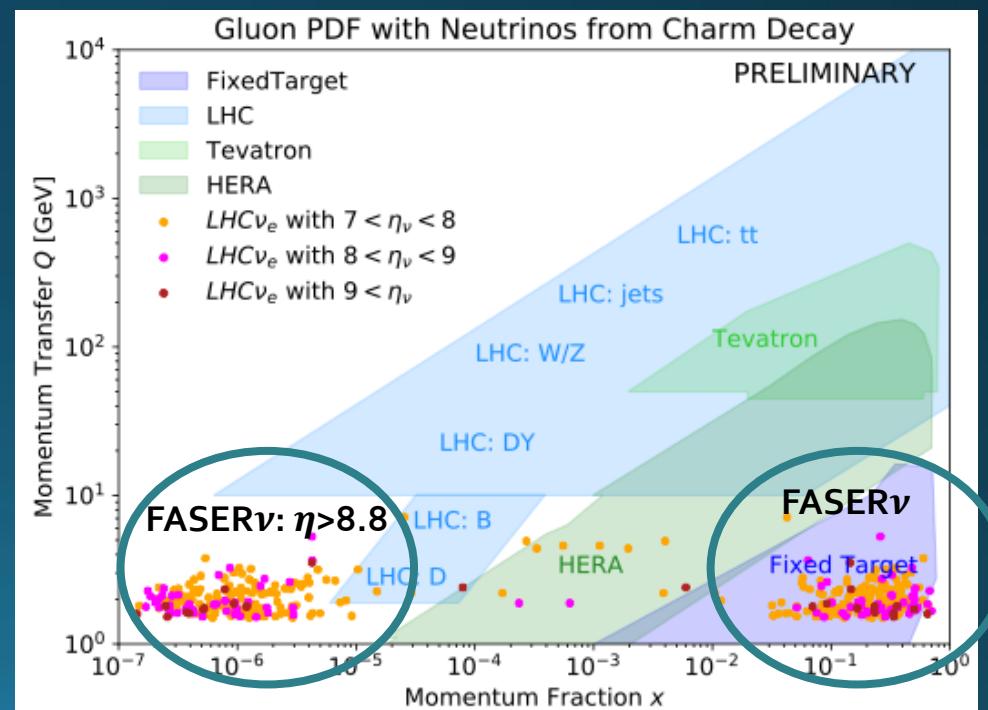
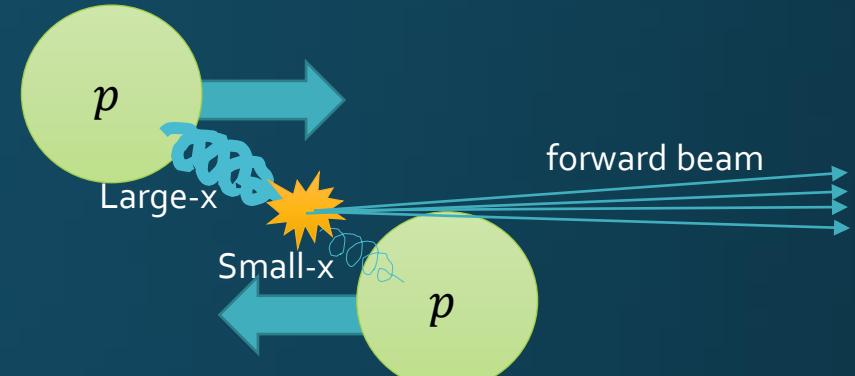


- FASER ν provides important inputs to validate/improve generators → Muon excess, prompt neutrinos

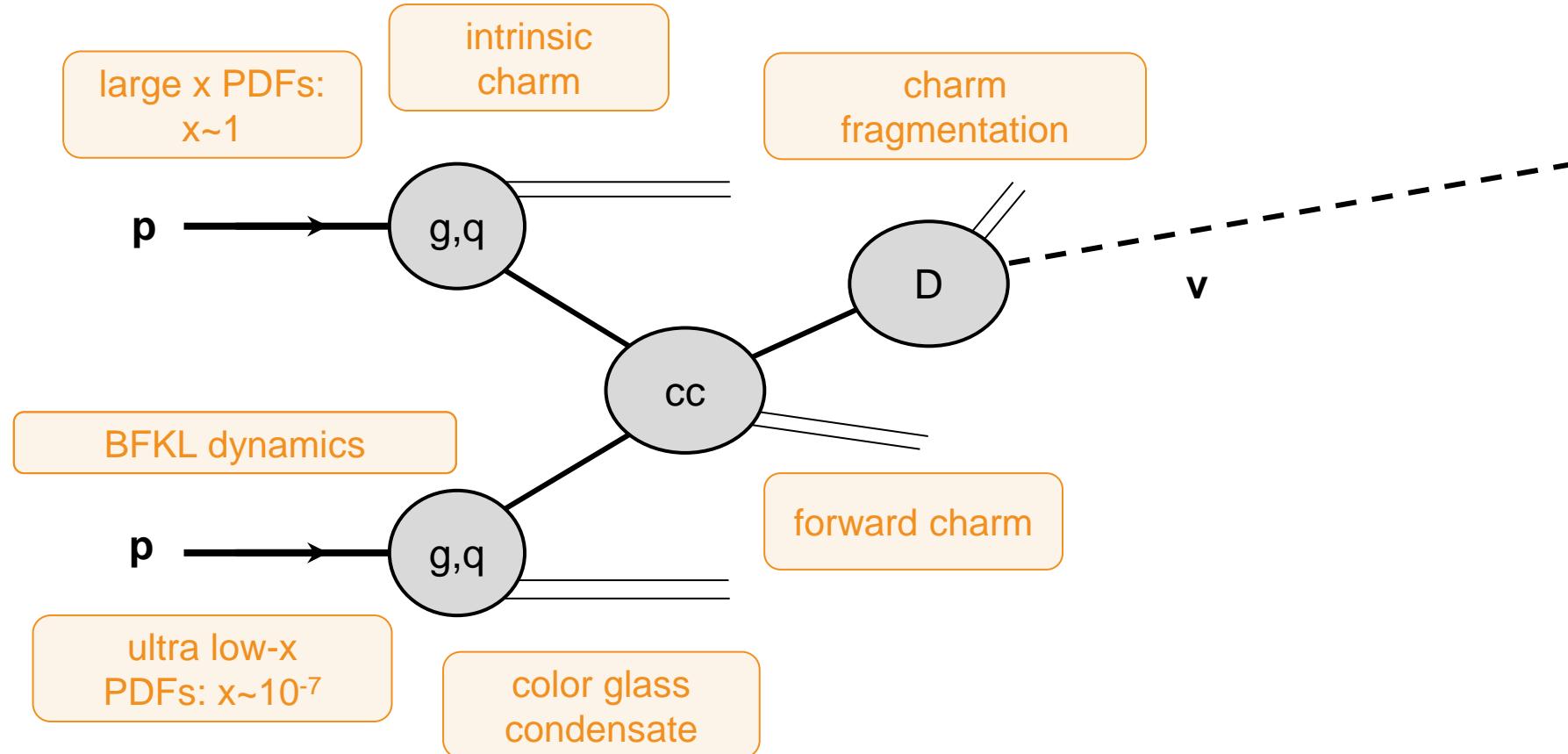
Further insights on QCD

- Asymmetric gluon-gluon interaction, small- $x \times$ large- x
- Neutrinos from charm decay could allow to test transition to small- x factorization, probe intrinsic charm
- Deep understanding of neutrinos from charm decays (prompt neutrinos) is important for astrophysical neutrino observations

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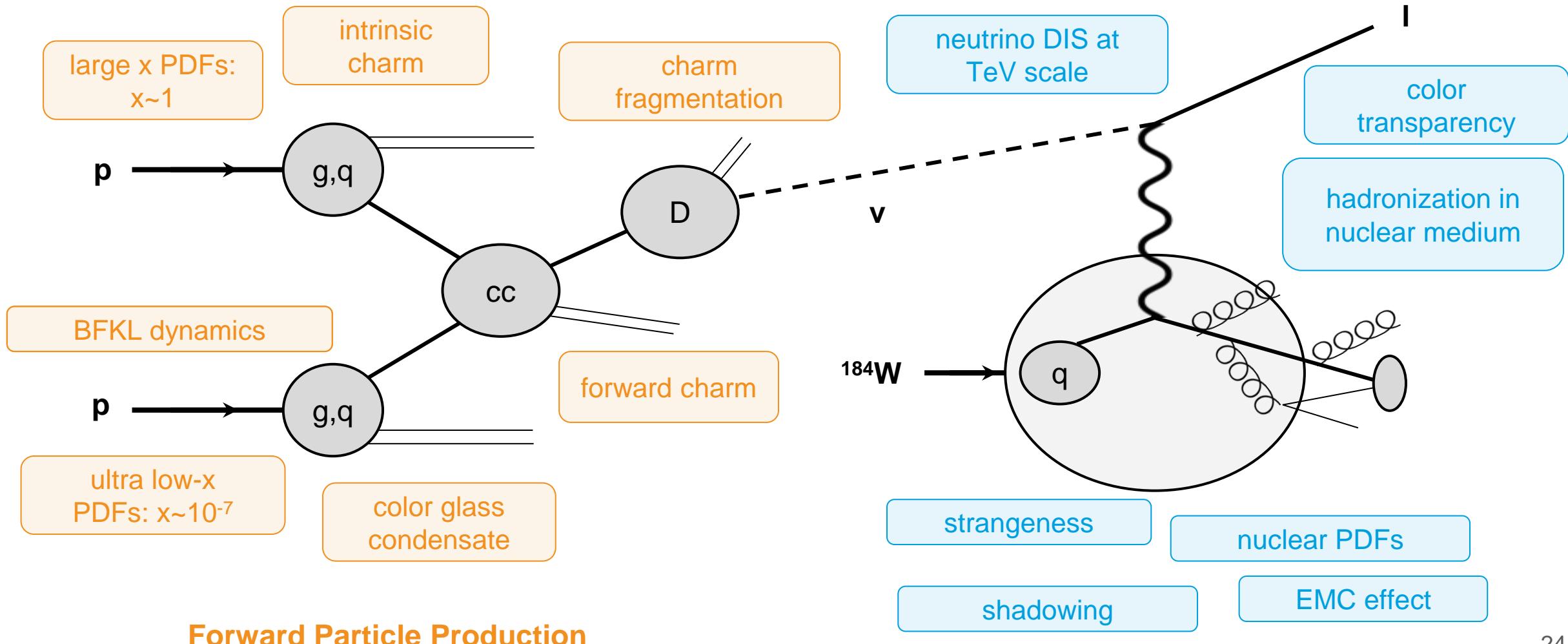


QCD using LHC Neutrinos



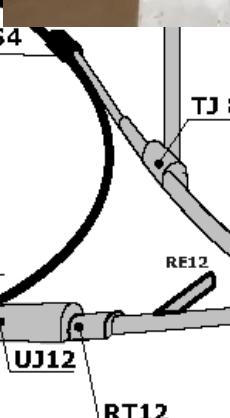
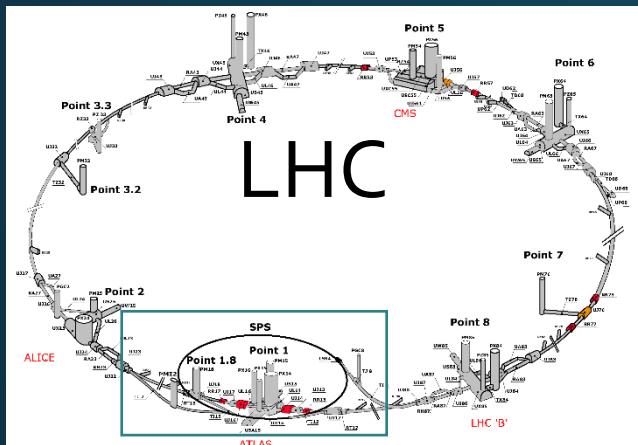
Forward Particle Production

QCD using LHC Neutrinos



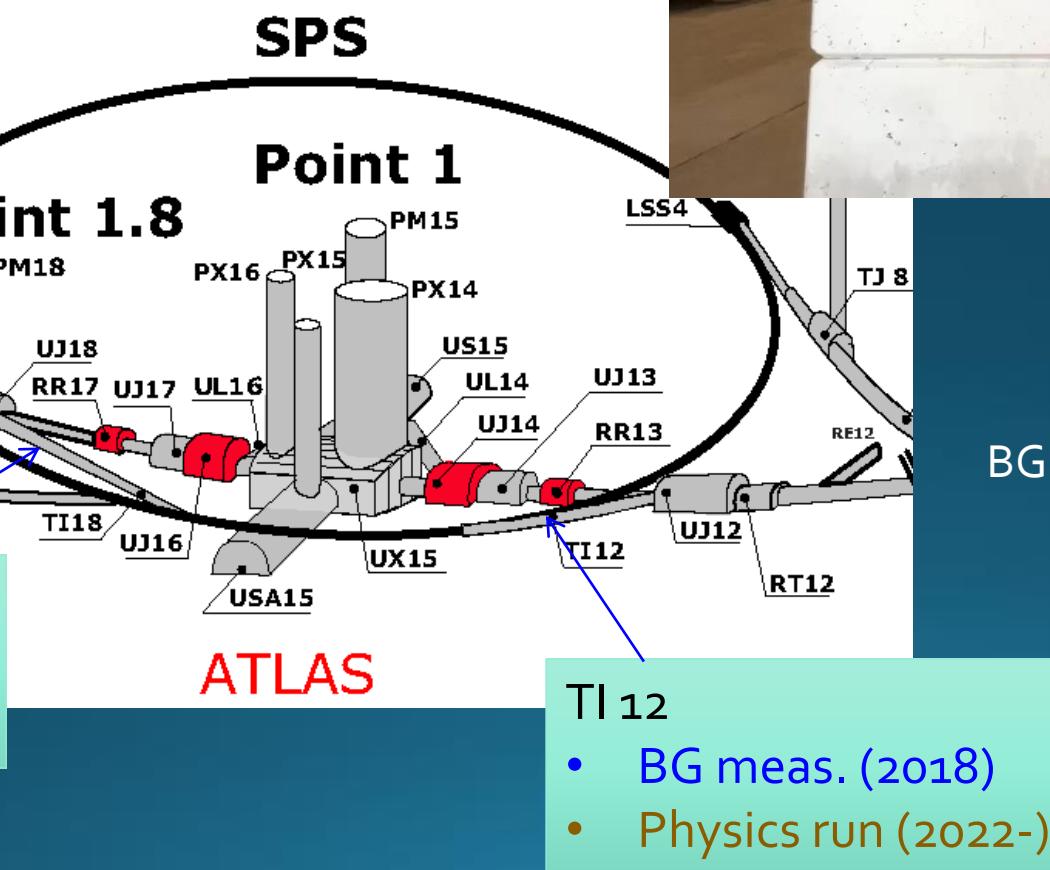
Results from 2018 run

FASER sites



TI 18

- BG meas. (2018)
- Pilot run (2018)



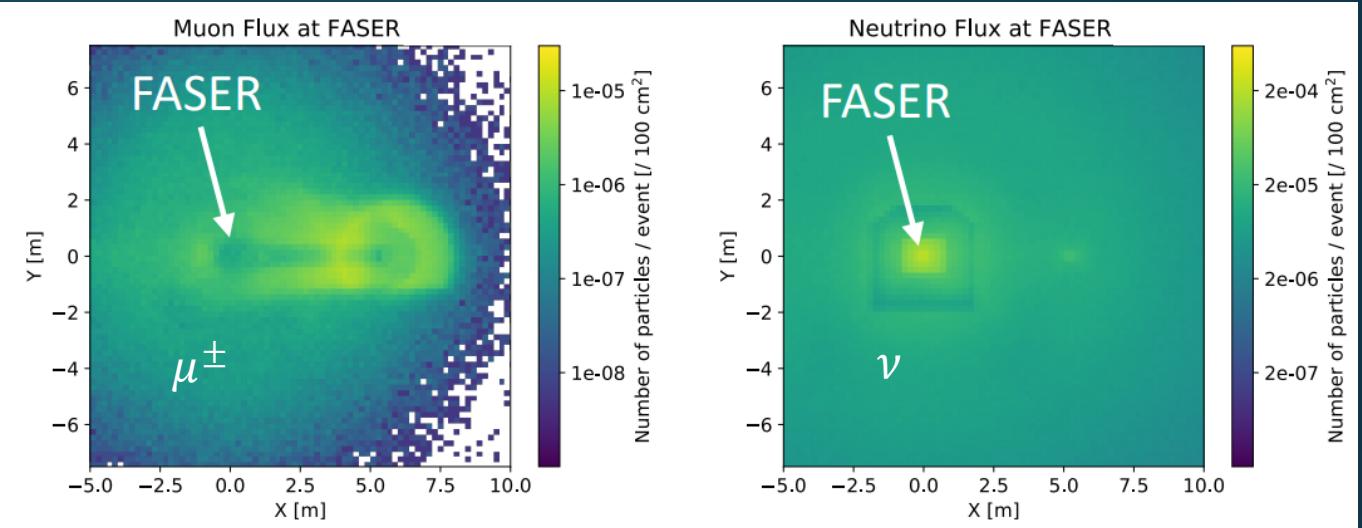
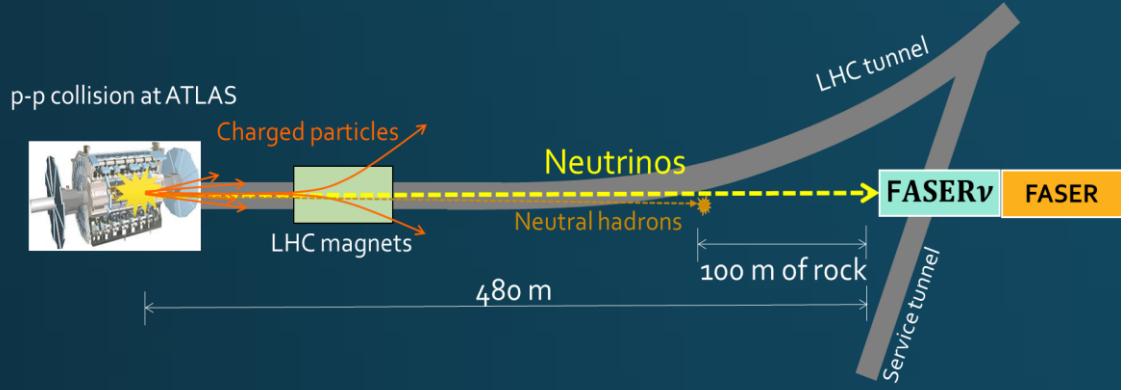
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- BG meas. (2018)
- Physics run (2022-)

BG measurements, pilot run in 2018

Particle fluence at the site

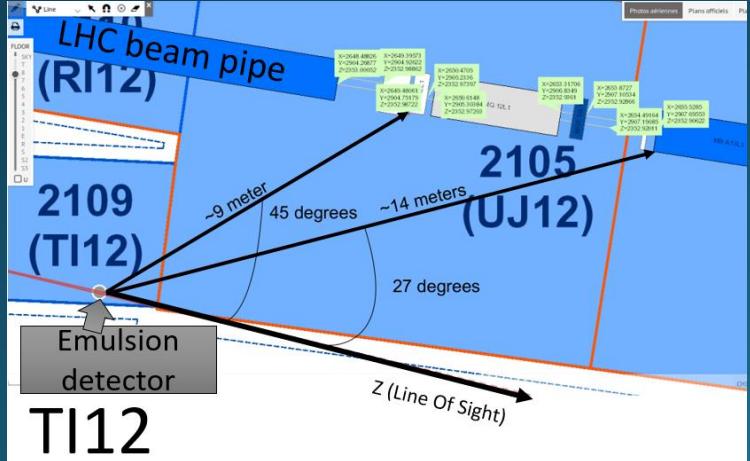
BDSim result for Tl12, Lefebvre ICHEP2020



- *In-situ* measurements in 2018

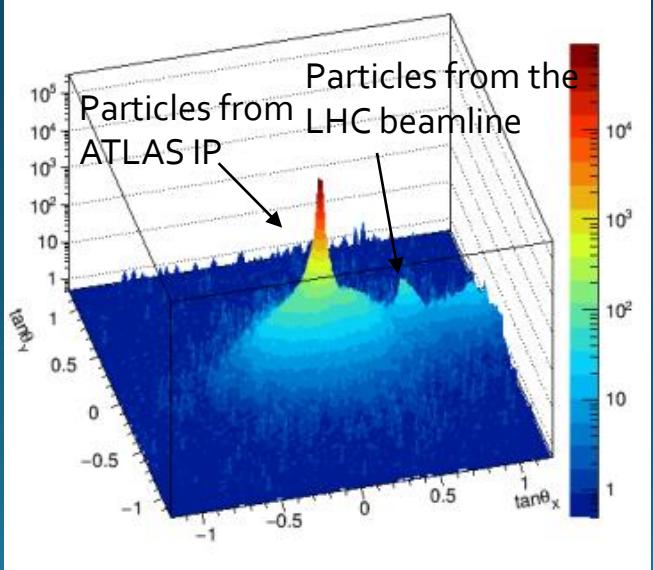


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Emulsion
detector

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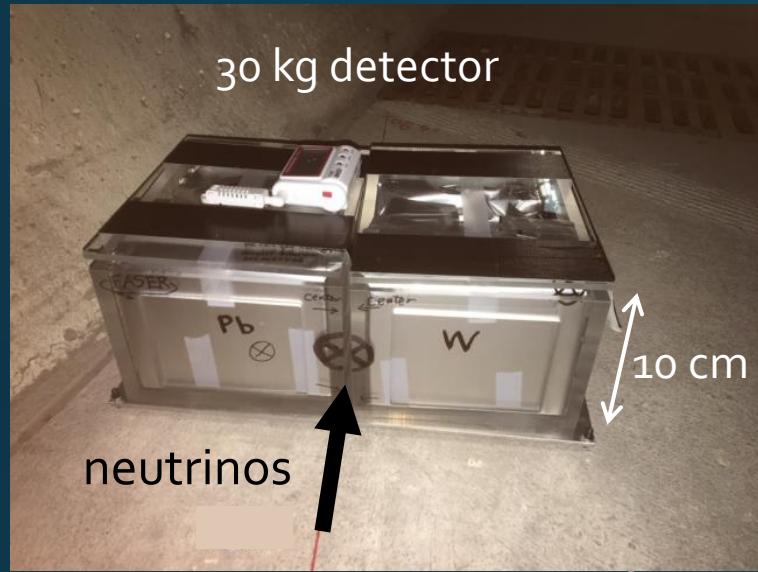


	Flux in main peak [fb/cm^2]
Tl18 data	$1.7 \pm 0.1 \times 10^4$
Tl12 data	$1.9 \pm 0.2 \times 10^4$
FLUKA MC	2.5×10^4 (uncertainty 50%)

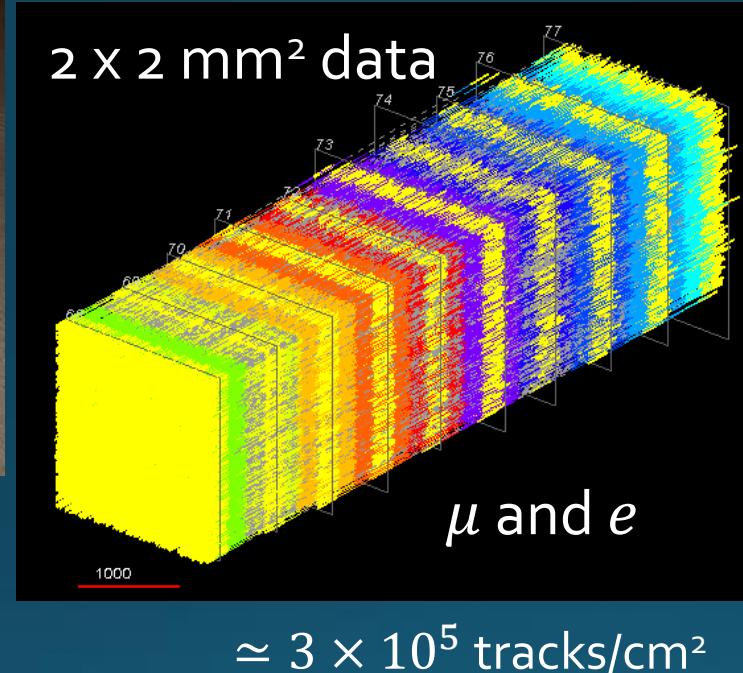
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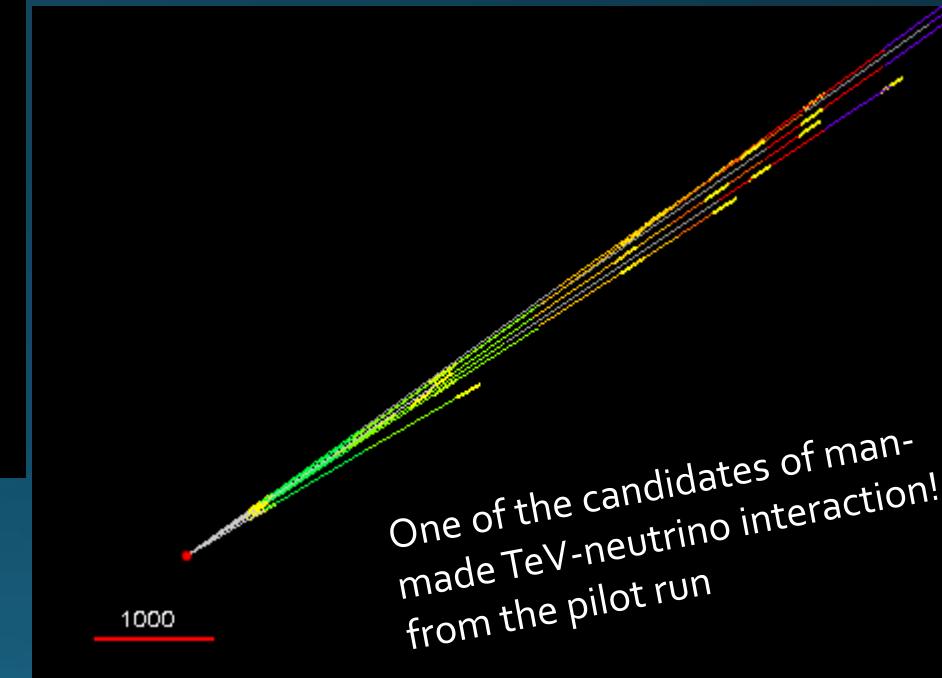
Pilot neutrino detector in 2018



6 weeks, 12.2 fb^{-1}



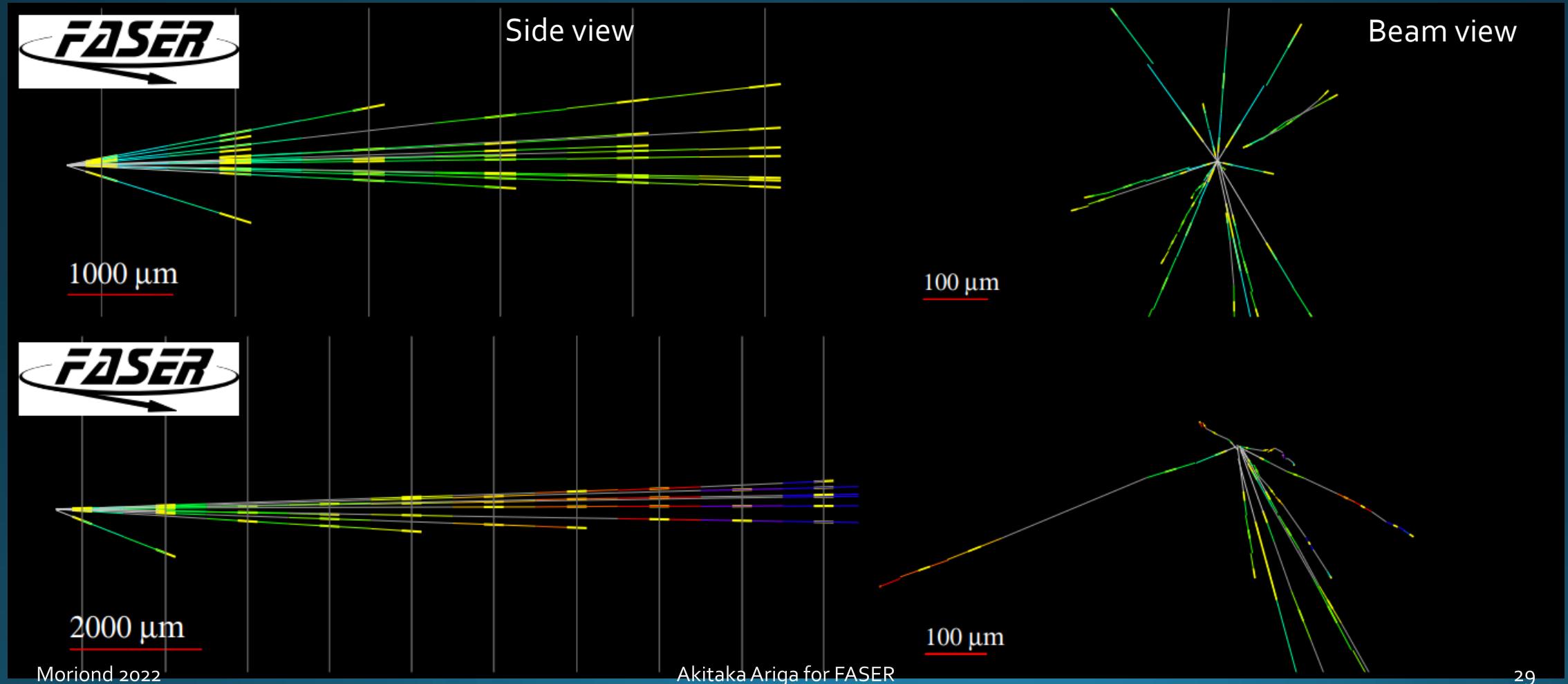
Proof of principle



- A **30 kg** emulsion based (lead, tungsten target) detector was installed on axis, 12.2 fb^{-1} of data was collected in Sep-Oct 2018 (6 weeks)

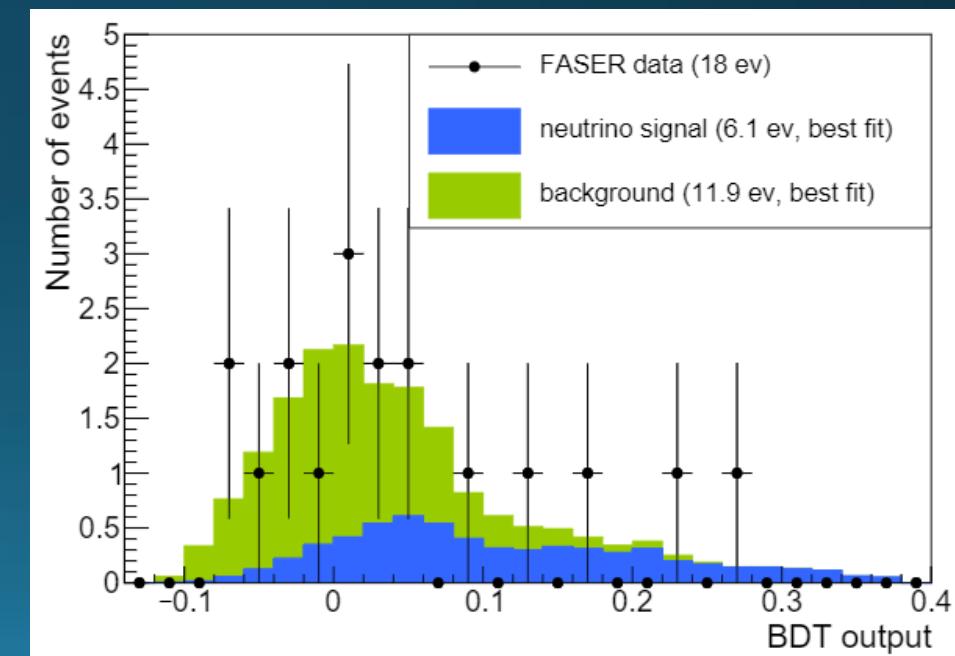


Neutrino interaction candidates



Pilot run event statistics

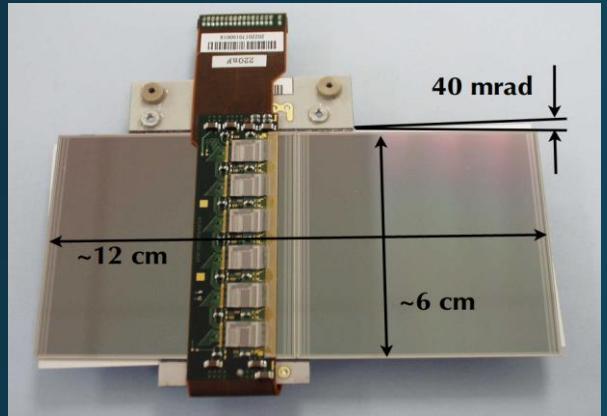
- Analyzed target mass of **11 kg** and luminosity of **12.2 fb^{-1}**
- 18 neutral vertices were selected
 - by applying # of charged particle ≥ 5 , etc.
 - Expected signal = $3.3^{+1.7}_{-0.95}$ events, BG = 11.0 events
- Note: no lepton ID in the pilot run \rightarrow High BG
- In BDT analysis, an excess of neutrino signal (6.1 events) is observed. Statistical significance = **2.7σ** from null hypothesis
- This result demonstrates the detection of neutrinos from the LHC



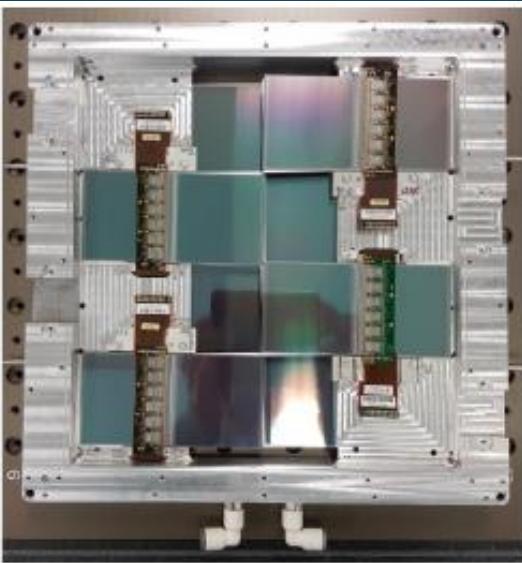
Preparation for LHC Run 3 (2022-)



FASER detector components



SCT module from ATLAS, 80 μm silicon strip detector



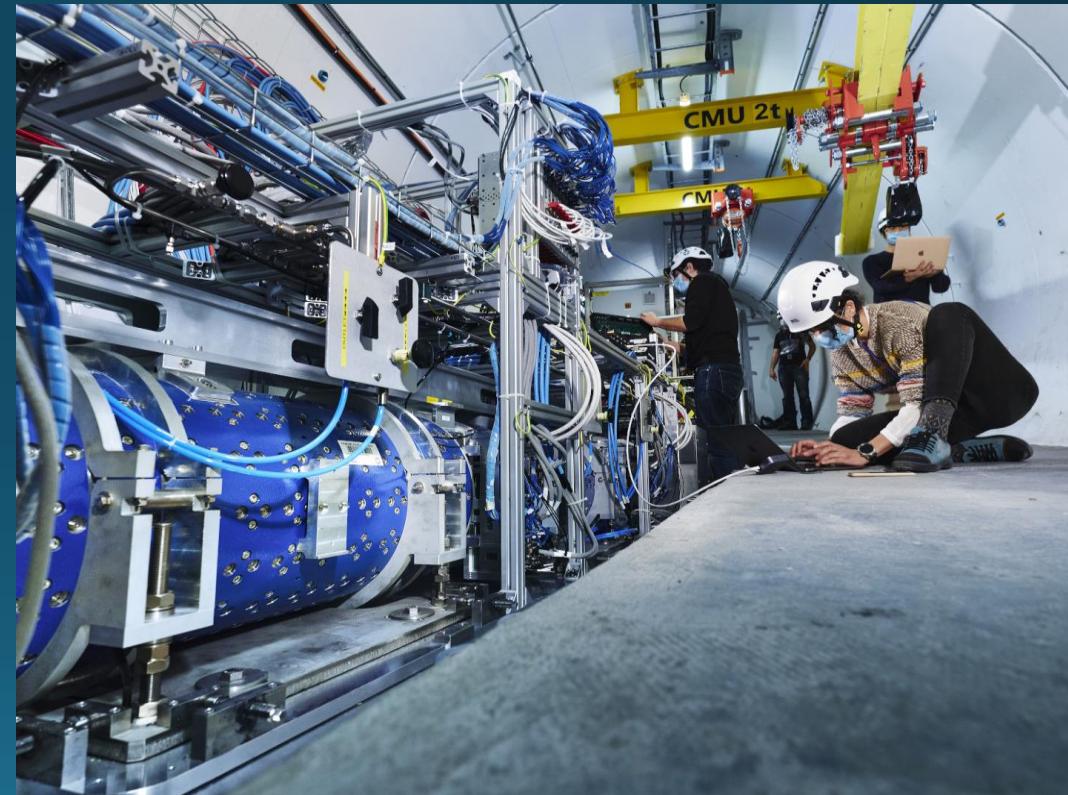
Tracking layer = 8 SCT modules



Calorimeter module from LHCb

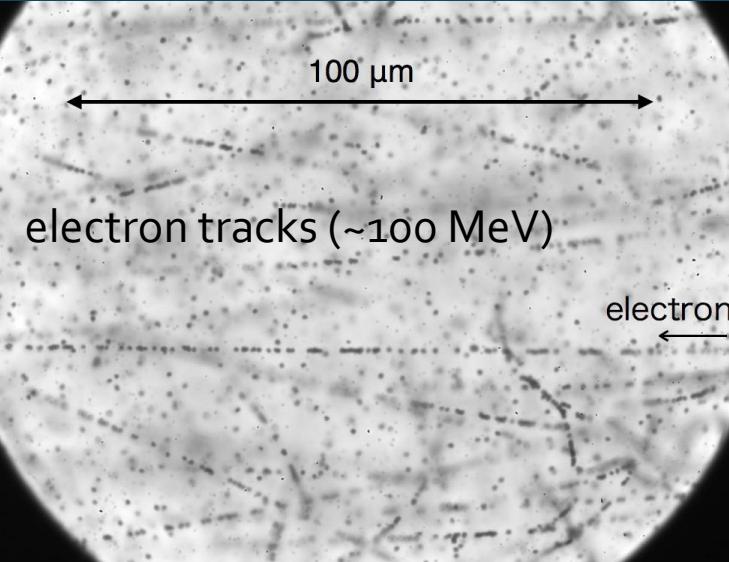
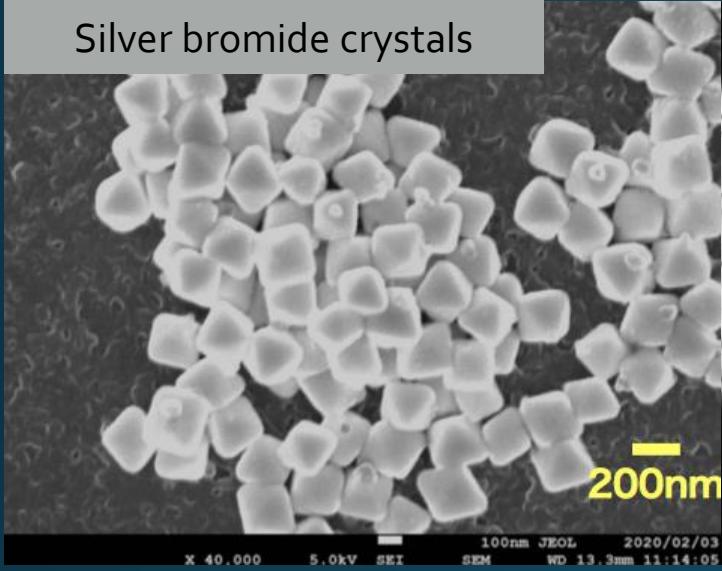


Scintillators



Preparation for Run 3: FASER ν detector

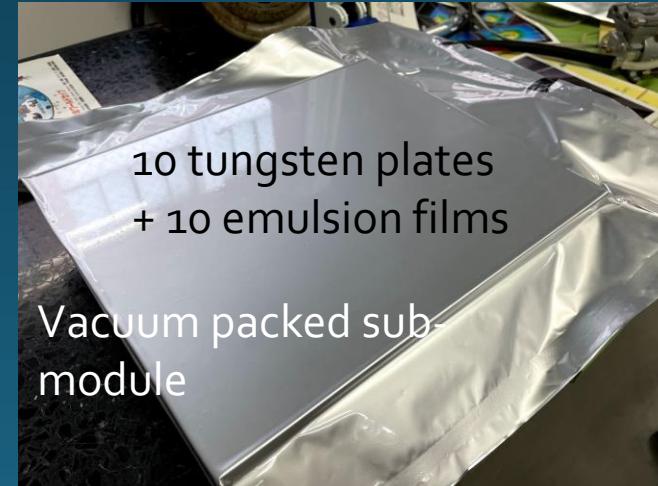
Silver bromide crystals



Emulsion films produced in Japan

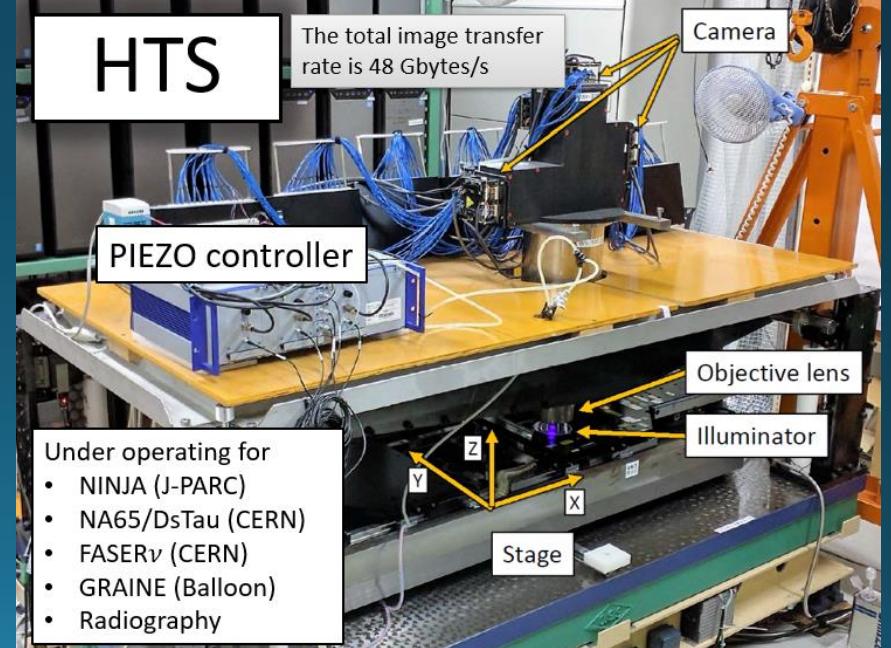


Sub-module assembling at CERN



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Preparation for Run 3 at site



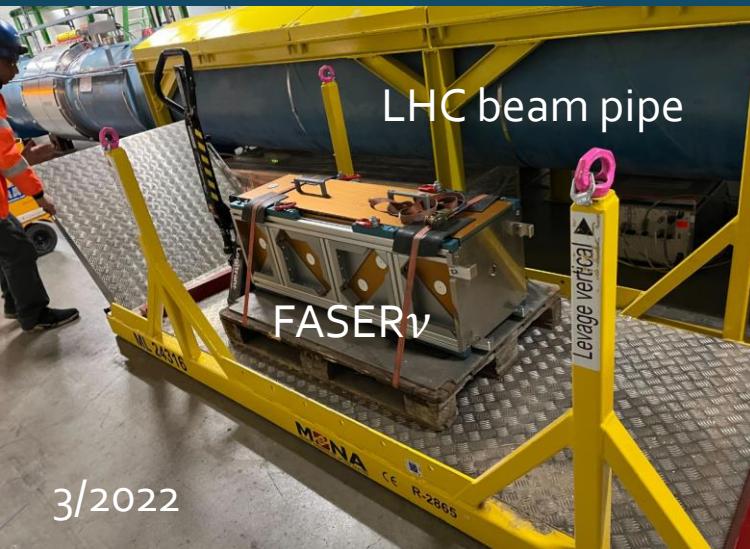
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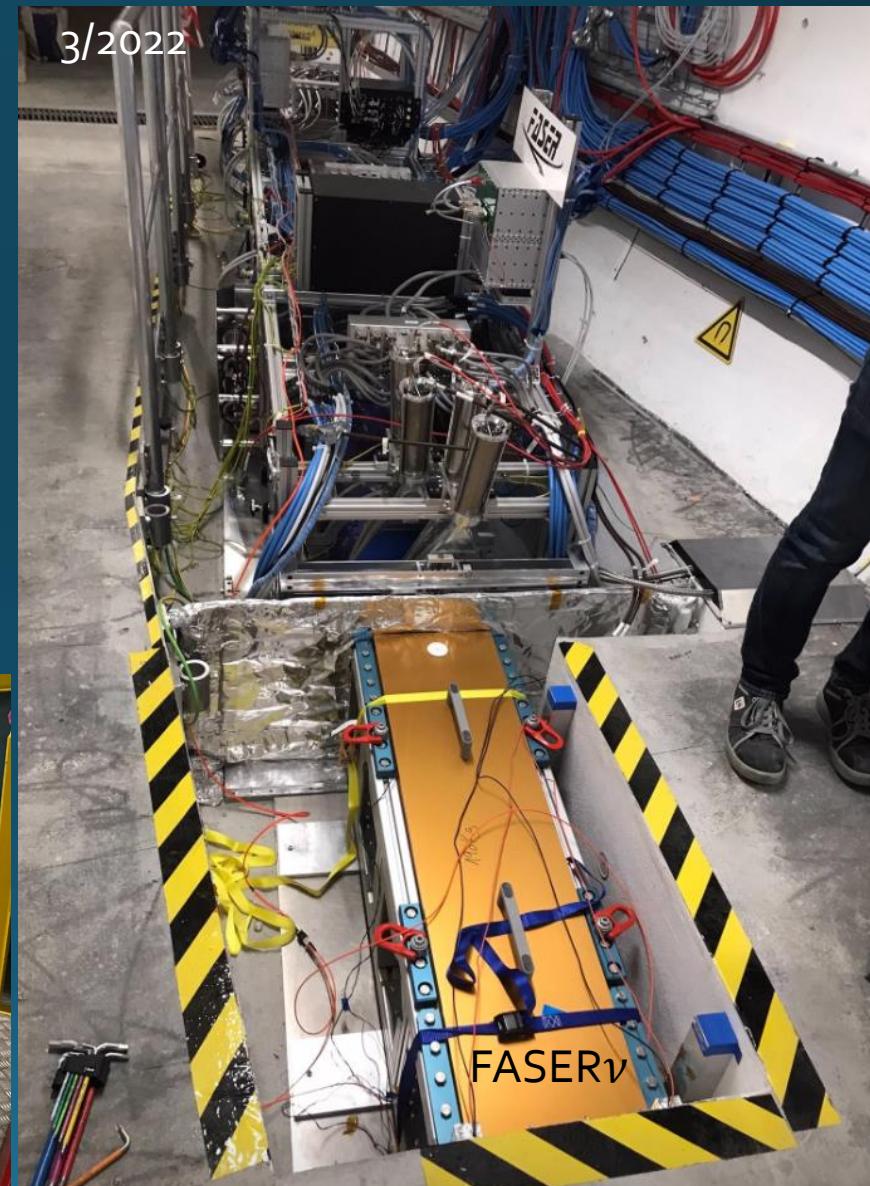


3/2021



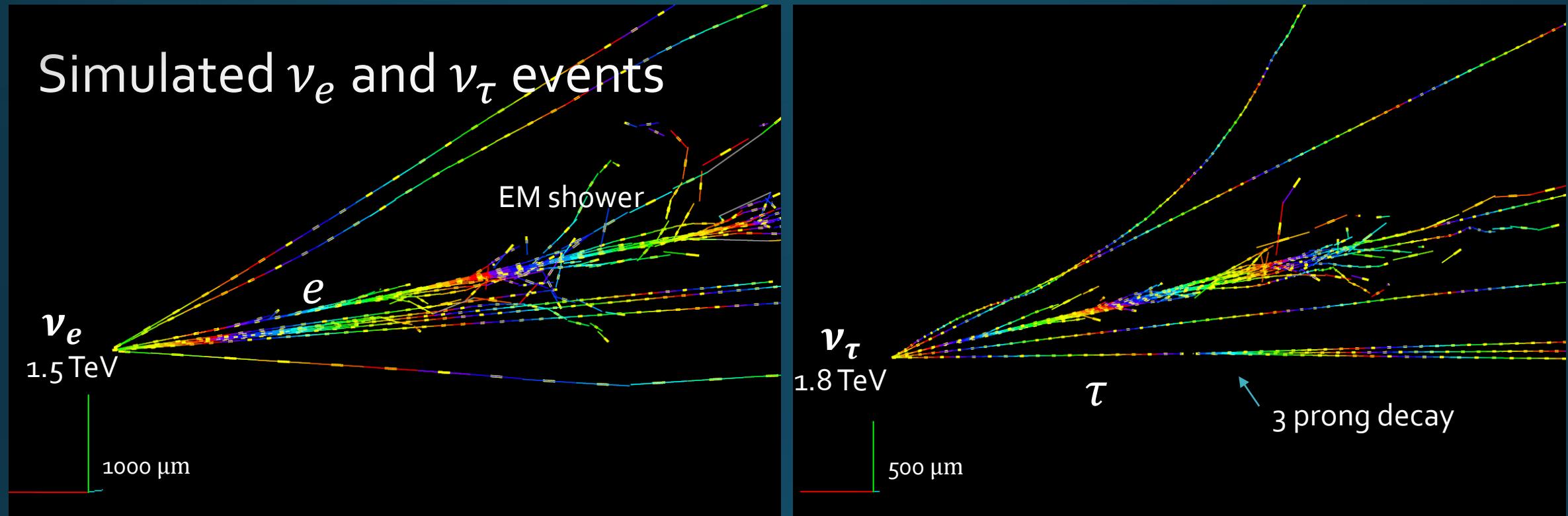
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First emulsion detector installed this week!



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Simulated ν_e and ν_τ events



ν_τ interaction (τ^- decaying to μ^-)

Interactions in emulsion
detector

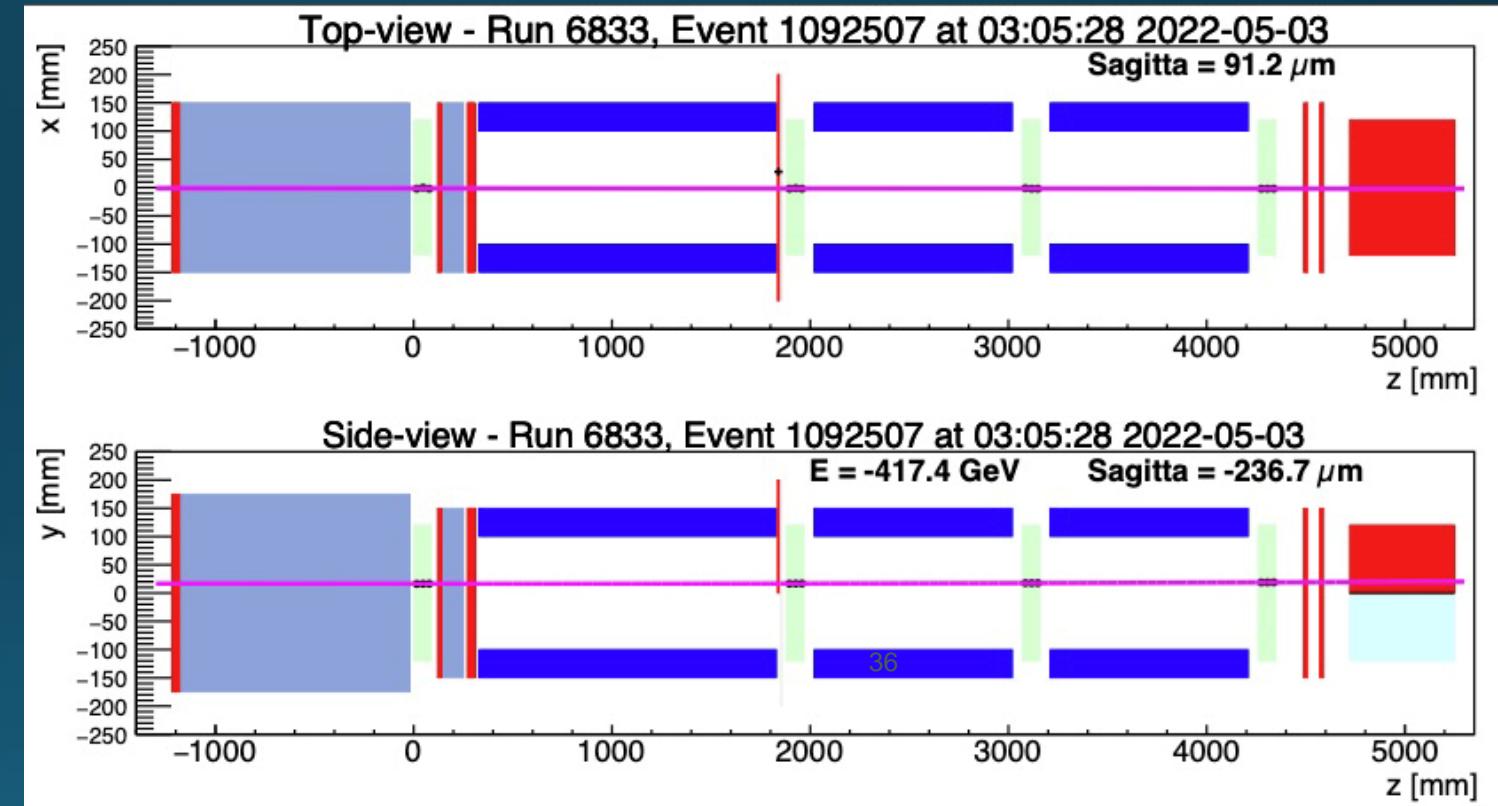
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Hit events in tracker of
FASER spectrometer

First beam particles in May 2022

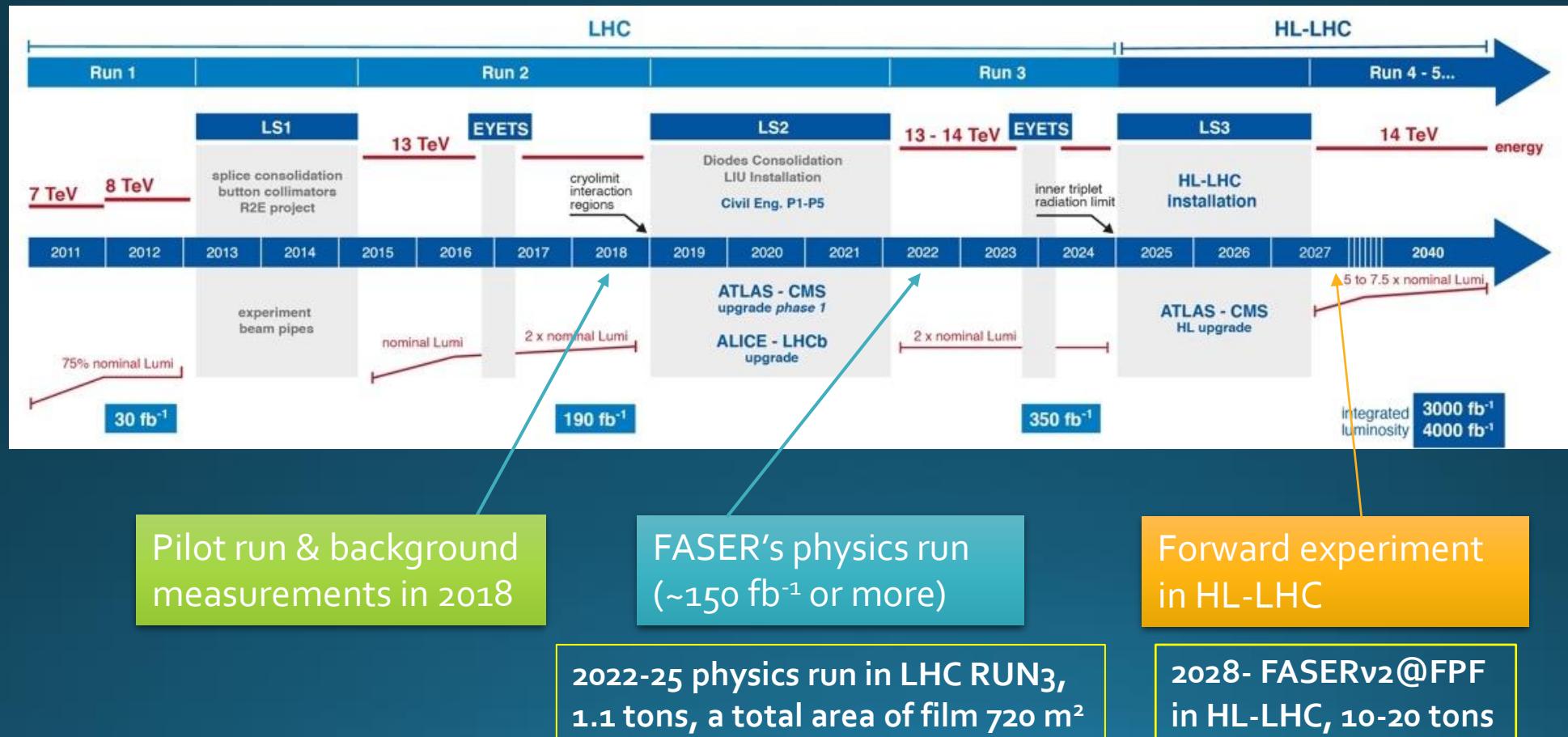
- Saw first beam particles from recent 6.8 TeV beam optics tests!
- First particles traversing full detector, including Fwd Veto and IFT
- Good readiness confirmed toward Run 3



First neutrino interactions will be reported within this year

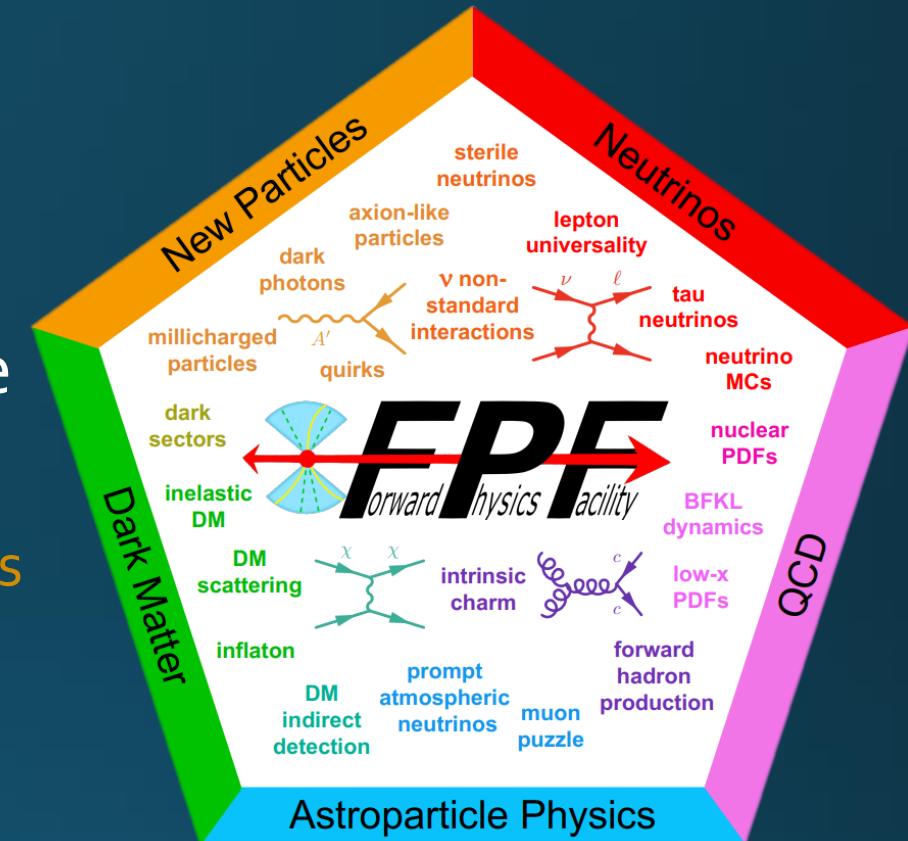
FASER ν /FASER ν 2 schedule

- LHC Run-3 will start in 2022, FASER ν .
- HL-LHC, starting in 2028, will deliver 10 times more integrated luminosity → FASER ν 2



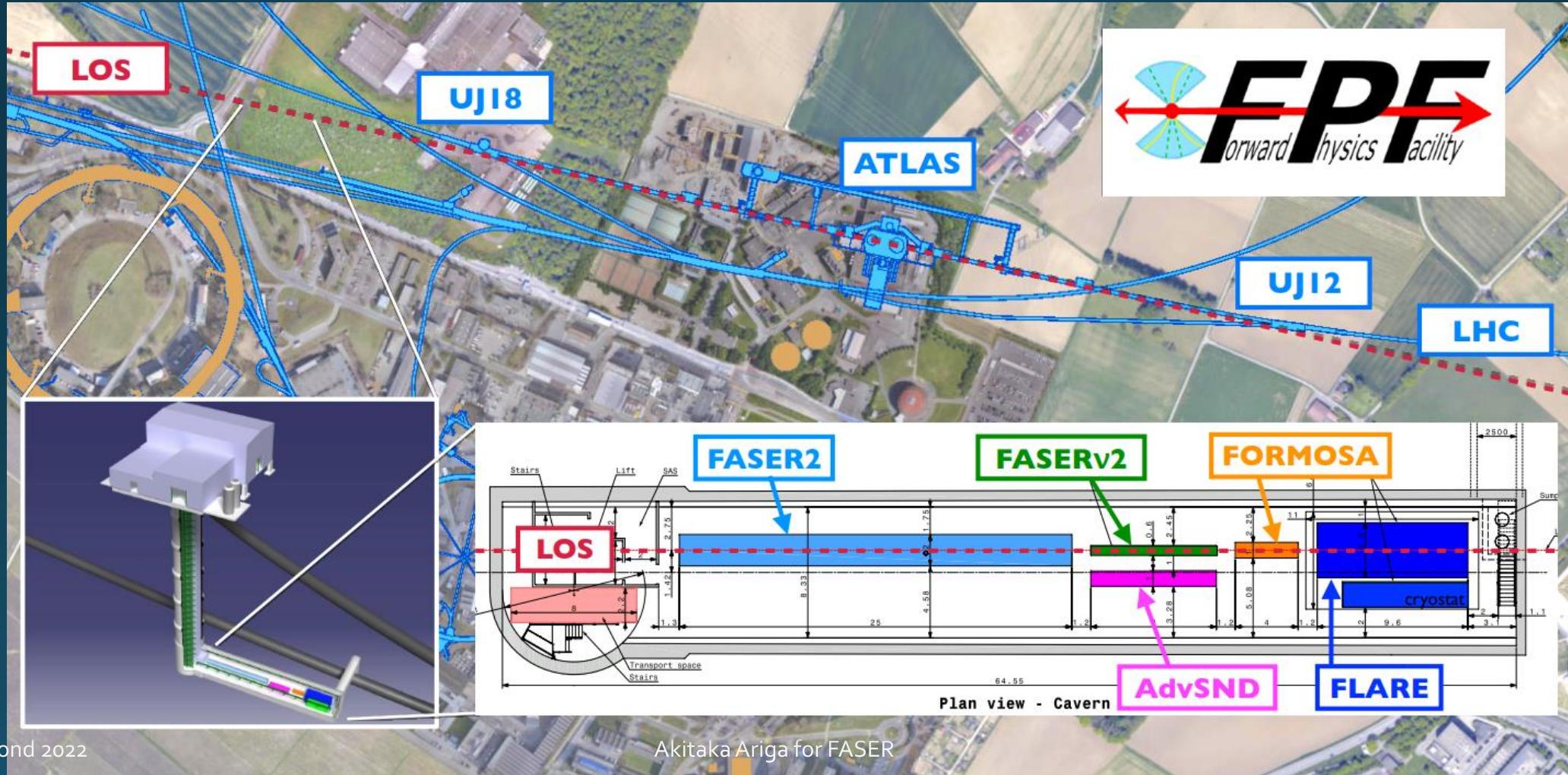
Physics Motivation

- The FPF has a rich and broad physics programme
- Three main physics motivations
 - Beyond Standard Model (BSM) “dark sector” searches
 - Neutrino physics
 - QCD physics
- In order to fully benefit from the increase in luminosity from the HL-LHC, the FPF will allow:
 - Longer detectors to increase target/decay volume
 - Wider detectors to increase sensitivity to heavy flavour produced particles
 - Space for new detectors with complementary physics capabilities

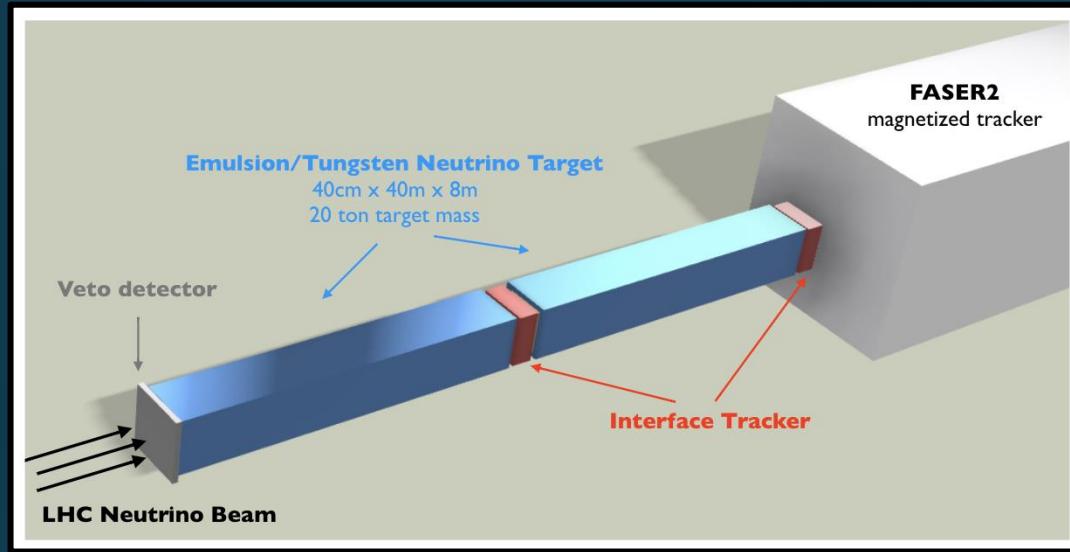


Forward Physics Facility (*FPF*) at the HL-LHC

- FPF White Paper (429 pages, 236 authors, 156 endorsers)
<http://arxiv.org/abs/2203.05090>

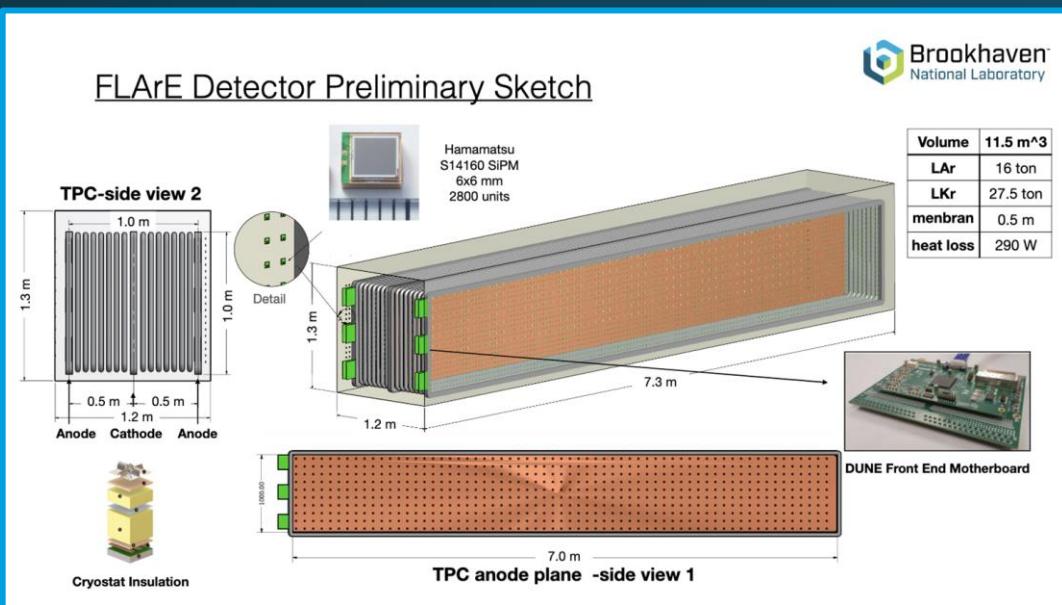


Neutrino Detector at the FPF

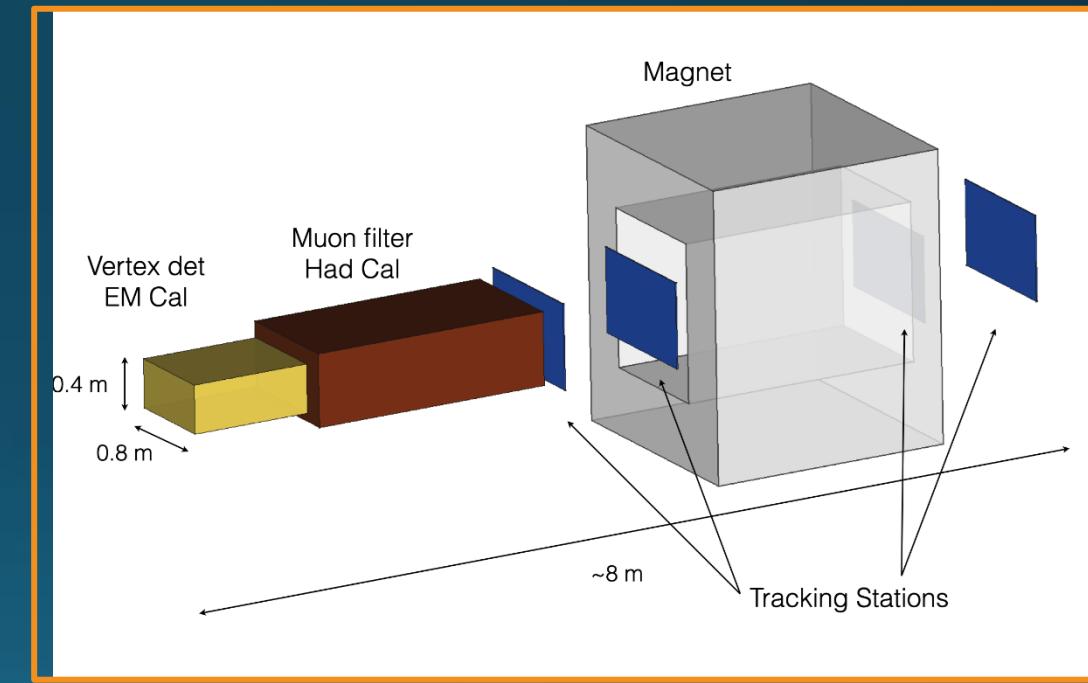


FASERv2

emulsion neutrino detector
followed by FASER spectrometer



FLArE
liquid noble gas detector



AdvSND

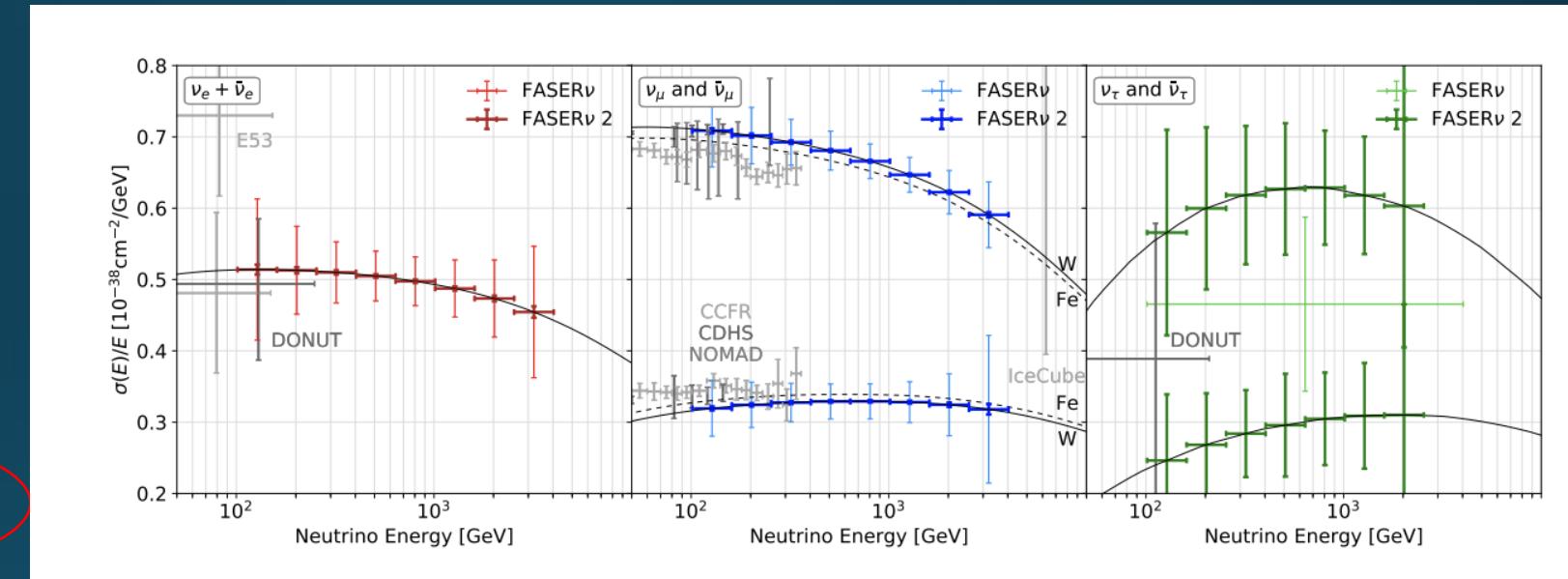
electronic detector
near detector at $\eta \sim 5$
far detector at FPF

Neutrinos at the FPF

A huge number of high-energy neutrinos of all flavours will be detected by experiments at the FPF

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2105.08270.pdf> (F. Kling)

Species	#evts (20tn, 3/ab)
ν_e	64k
$\bar{\nu}_e$	36k
ν_μ	430k
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	120k
ν_τ	2k
$\bar{\nu}_\tau$	0.8k



Tau neutrino:

- FPF experiments will **increase this number by over two orders of magnitude**, enabling precision ν_τ studies:
- Measure high energy $\nu_\tau/\bar{\nu}_\tau$ charge-current cross sections
- Study $\nu_\tau \rightarrow$ heavy flavour – towards probing same diagrams as LHCb lepton-flavour violation anomalies

Large sample of ν_e, ν_μ :

- Sterile neutrino, NSI, constrain SM EFT, s-channel resonance,,,

QCD studies → Cosmic-ray

Physics Program of Forward Phys Facility

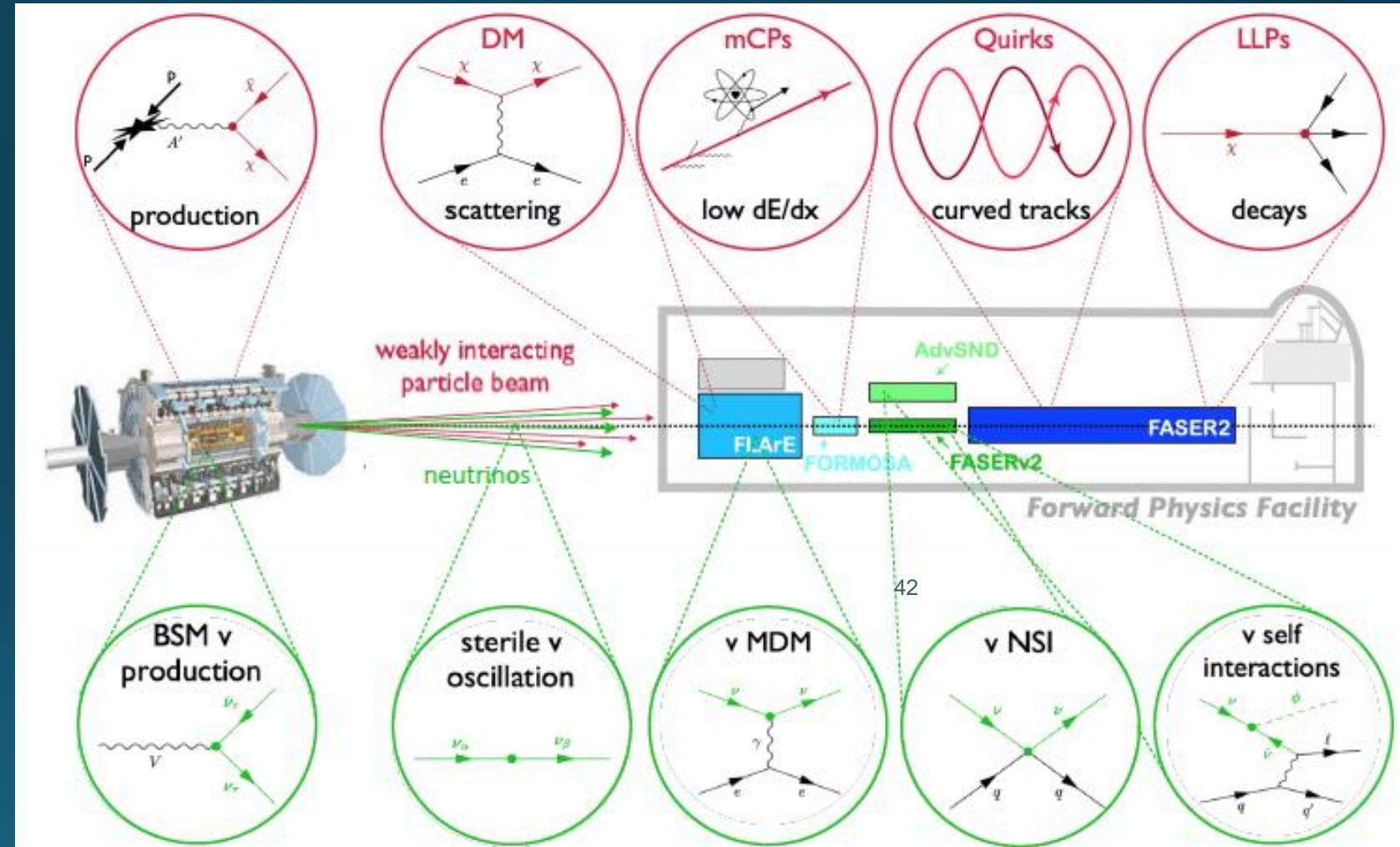


BSM particles can be detected in various ways

- Giving access to wide range of models

Neutrinos can be used to search for BSM effects

- Production
- Propagation
- Interaction



Forward Physics Facility

FPF workshop series:
FPF₁, FPF₂, FPF₃, FPF₄

FPF Paper:
2109.10905
~75 pages, ~80 authors

Snowmass Whitepaper:
2203.05090
~450 pages, ~250 authors

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📝 There are no materials yet.

ℹ️ The Forward Physics Facility (FPF) project is moving forward!
At the 4th Forward Physics Facility Meeting we will discuss the facility, experiments, and physics goals of the proposed FPF at the HL-LHC. The meeting takes place just before the completion of the FPF Snowmass White Paper and will provide an opportunity to summarize the current status of the White Paper and the final steps in its preparation. The whole event will be held online.

The Zoom links are:
Plenary sessions (both Monday and Tuesday): <https://uci.zoom.us/j/91591021575>
<https://vu-live.zoom.us/J9RQnRzTJpdz09>
<https://uiowa.zoom.us/j/94645515841>
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The Forward Physics Facility (FPF) is a proposal to create a cavern with the sp¹ infrastructure to support a suite of far-forward experiments at the Large Hadron Collider during the High Luminosity era. Located along the beam collision axis and shielded from the interaction point by at least 100 m of concrete and rock, the FPF will house experiments that will detect particles outside the acceptance of the existing large LHC experiments. The FPF will observe rare and exotic processes in an extremely low-background environment. In this work, we summarize the current status of plans for the FPF, including recent progress in civil engineering in identifying promising sites for the FPF; the FPF experiments will realize the FPF's physics potential; and the many Standard Model and beyond-the-Standard-Model physics topics that will be advanced by the FPF, including searches for long-lived particles, probes of dark matter and dark sectors, high-statistics studies of TeV neutrinos of a variety of flavors, aspects of perturbative and non-perturbative QCD, and high-energy astrophysics.

High energy collisions at the High-Luminosity Large Hadron Collider (LHC) produce a large number of particles along the beam collision axis, outside of the acceptance of existing LHC experiments. The proposed Forward Physics Facility (FPF), to be located several hundred meters from an LHC interaction point and shielded by concrete and rock, will host a suite of experiments to probe standard model processes and search for physics beyond the standard model (BSM). In this report, we review the status of the civil engineering plans and the experiments to explore the diverse physics signals that can be uniquely probed in the forward region. FPF experiments will be sensitive to a broad range of BSM physics through searches for new particle scattering or decay signatures and deviations from standard model expectations in high statistics analyses with TeV neutrinos in this low-background environment. High statistics neutrino detection will trace back to fundamental topics in perturbative and non-perturbative QCD and in weak interactions. Experiments at the FPF will enable synergies between forward particle production at the LHC and astroparticle physics to be exploited. We report here on these physics topics, on infrastructure, detector and simulation studies, and on future directions to realize the FPF's physics potential.

**The Forward Physics Facility
at the High-Luminosity LHC**

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Summary

- Neutrinos at the LHC, a new domain of particle physics research!
- The FASER experiment at the LHC: neutrinos and LLPs
- FASER ν is the first neutrino experiment with a collider
 - Beam at new kinematical regime, including 3 flavors
 - Not only neutrino physics, but flavor physics, cosmic-ray physics
 - Data taking in 2022-2025
- Detection of neutrinos from the LHC was demonstrated with pilot run in 2018
- FASER is starting data taking in next months! (Collisions in June)
- Future projects (FPF) at the HL-LHC are under discussion
 - Strong and broad physics motivation with significant interest from the community
 - We invite people from neutrino and wider fields!



FASER Collaboration

74 collaborators, 21 institutions, 9 countries (as of Jan. 2022)



