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Overview over Underground Laboratories

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Disclaimer

The material I am presenting is taken from talks on the web with some updates from Bettini+Piquemal. Talks are especially

- E. Coccia, TAUP 2009
- A. Bettini, TAUP 2003
- G. Gerbier, IWDD 2009
- F. Duncan, SNOlab workshop 2010

My view is the one of an experimentalist: what lab is the best location for my experiment?

Characteristics of labs

- Shielding depth:
 - how deep and uniform → muon flux
- Type of rock, concrete, wall:
 - gamma, radon and neutron flux
- Size:
 - how large are the hall(s)?
- Access:
 - horizontal (by car, truck, tram) or vertical (by lift)
- Infrastructure underground:
 - electricity, ventilation, crane, **safety installation**, ...
- Infrastructure above ground:
 - offices, workshops, chemistry, ...
- Community:
 - other experiments, theory division, ...
- Location:
 - shops, companies, airports,
- “Political” situation:
 - burocracy, social or ethnical conflicts
- Distance to CERN, Fermilab, JPARC, ...

Order of importance depends on experiment !!!

Depth might not be the most important feature:

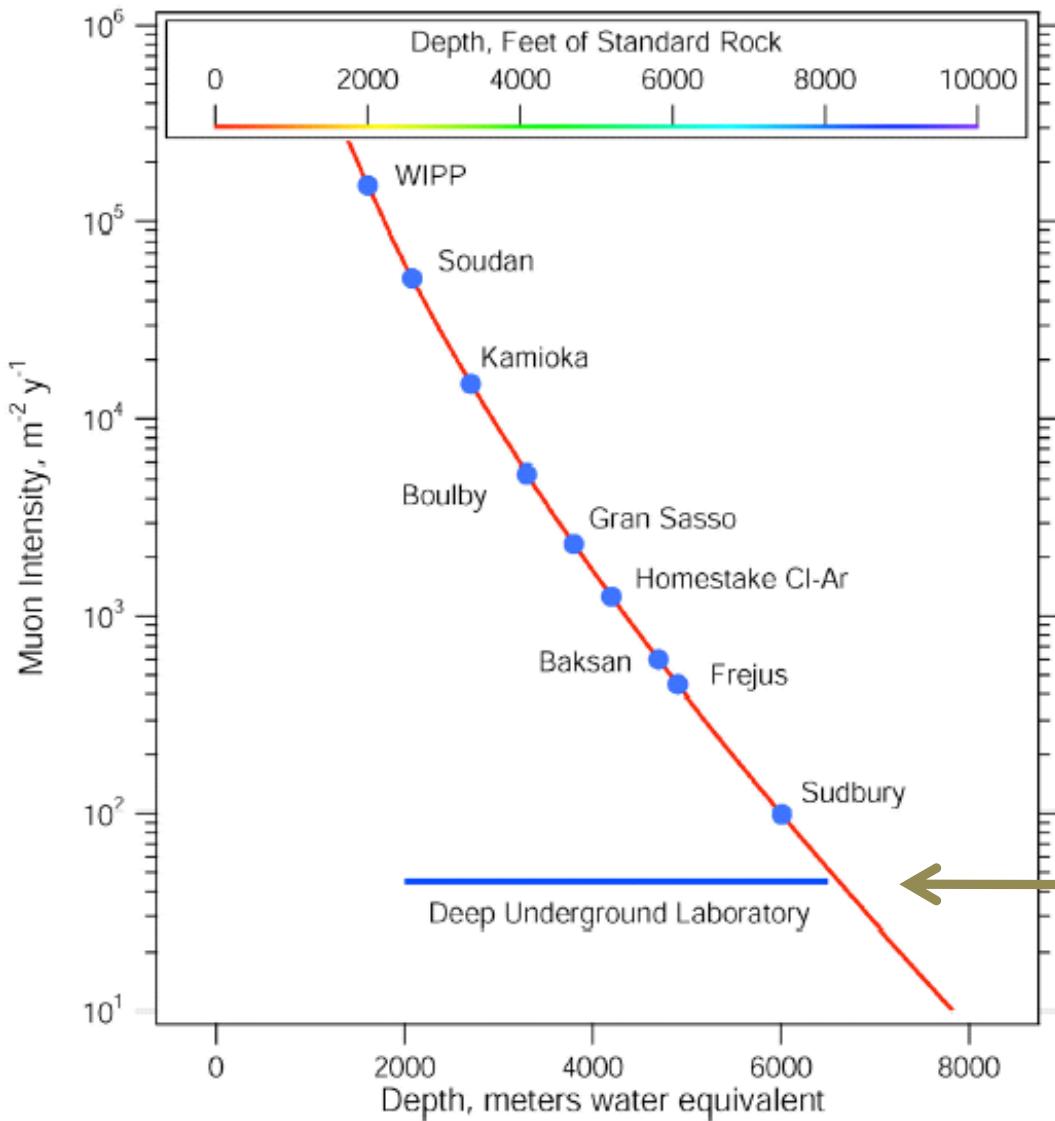
GERDA: shielding with low Z material →
muon flux less important, but large volume
Majorana: shielding with high Z material →
small volume but larger depth required

Radon background: “vacuum tight” experiment →
radon level not so important

Neutron + gamma background can be shielded e.g. by water →
background from sources close to detector dominate

Large volume cryogenics or organic liquids →
safety major concern

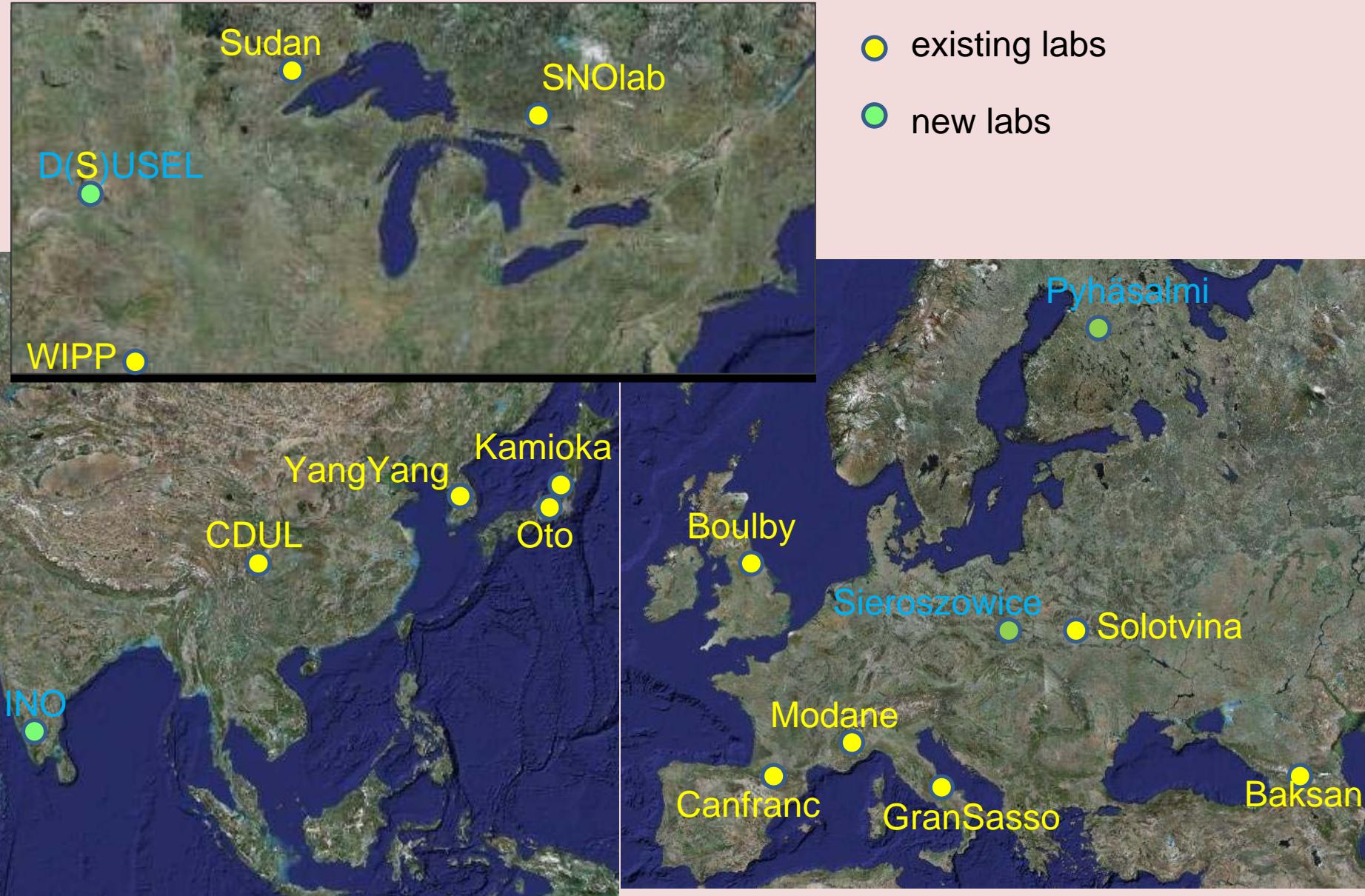
Muon flux versus depth



~1700 m w.e. →
factor 10 in muon flux

target for deep labs
like DUSEL (USA) or
CJPL (China), see
following talks

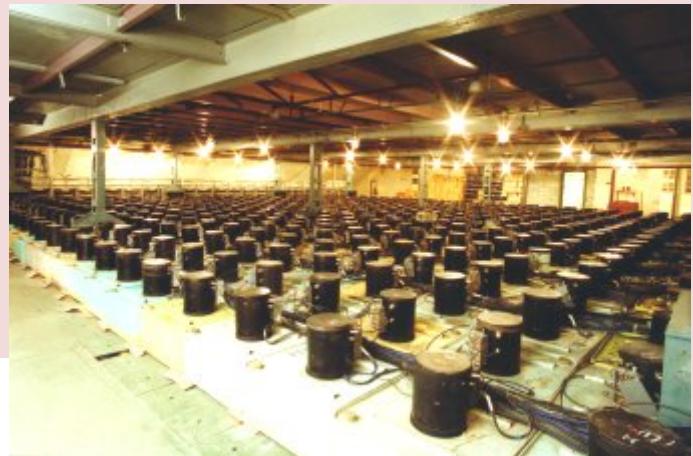
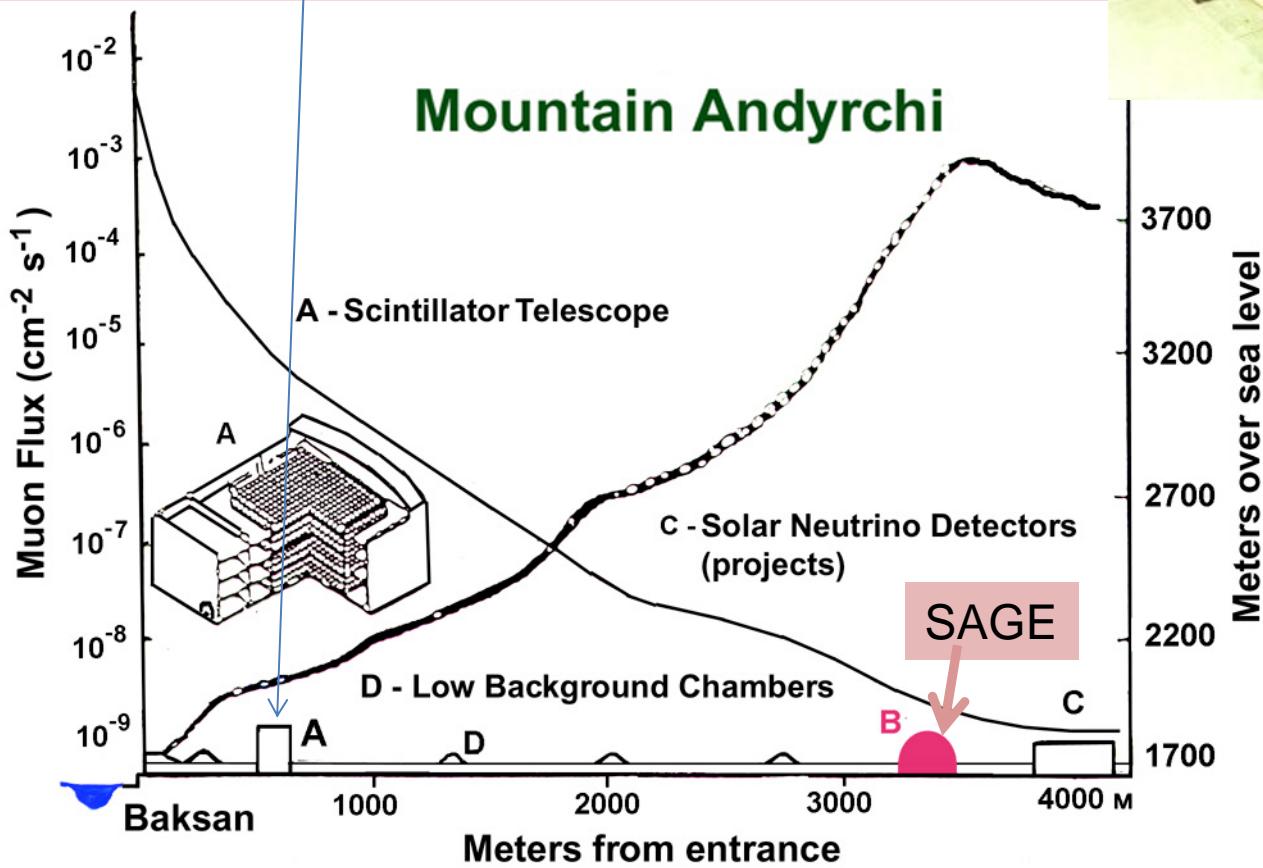
Lab locations



LAB	Country	depth [m w.e.]	volume [10 ³ m ³]	users	access	experiments
Europe						
GranSasso	Italy	3200	180	750	horiz.	DM, 0νββ, solar ν, accelerator. CERN beam, supernova SN
North America						
Modane	France	4800	4(+60)	100	horiz.	DM, 0νββ (proton decay, SN)
Canfranc	Spain	2400	9	200	horiz.	DM, 0νββ
Boulby	Britain	2800	5	70	vert.	DM
Baksan	Russia	4700	40	70	horiz.	0νββ, solar ν, SN
Solotvina	Ukraine	1000	5	11	vert.	0νββ
Pyhäsalmi	Finland	300(-4k)	1+?	20	horiz.	cosmic ray (proton decay SN)
Sieroszowice	Poland	2200	26	-	vert.	
Asia						
SNOlab	Canada	6000	46	300	vert.	DM, 0νββ, solar ν, supernova
WIPP	USA	1600	24	100	vert.	0νββ
Sudan	USA	2100	16	250	vert.	DM, Fermilab beam
S(D)USEL	USA	4000	10	100	vert.	DM, 0νββ
		(7000	300)	1000		everything)
Kamioka	Japan	2700	60	300	horiz.	DM, 0νββ, ν mix. JPARC beam, SN
Oto Cosmo	Japan	1300	1	20	horiz.	DM, 0νββ
INO	India	3000	(56)		horiz.	atm. ν
CJPL	China	7500	4	?	horiz.	DM, 0νββ ,

Baksan Neutrino Observatory

BUST: 1st large scintillator telescope
for the detection of solar neutrinos (1978)



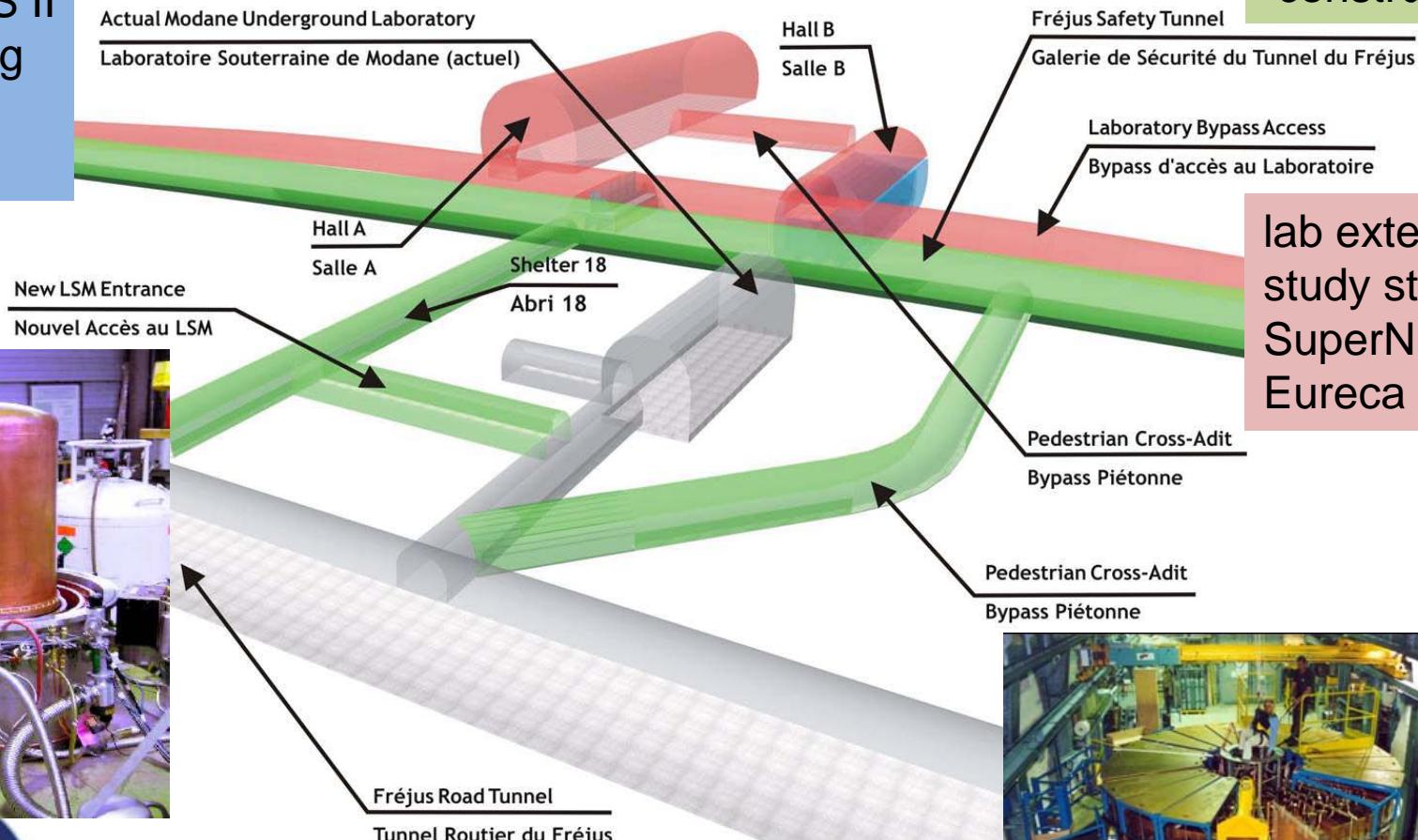
Laboratoire Souterrain de Modane

NEMO III
EDELWEISS II
Ge screening
n detection
& other exp.

MODANE UNDERGROUND LABORATORY 60'000 m³ EXTENSION

safety tunnel
under
construction

LABORATOIRE SOUTERRAINE DE MODANE AGRANDISSEMENT 60'000 m³



lab extension
study stage:
SuperNEMO,
Eureca

➤4000 m w.e
required for p decay.



App. Ge det. in fund.l research

Laboratorio Subterraneo de Canfranc

Handover of the underground structures to the LSC Consortium 30.6.2010



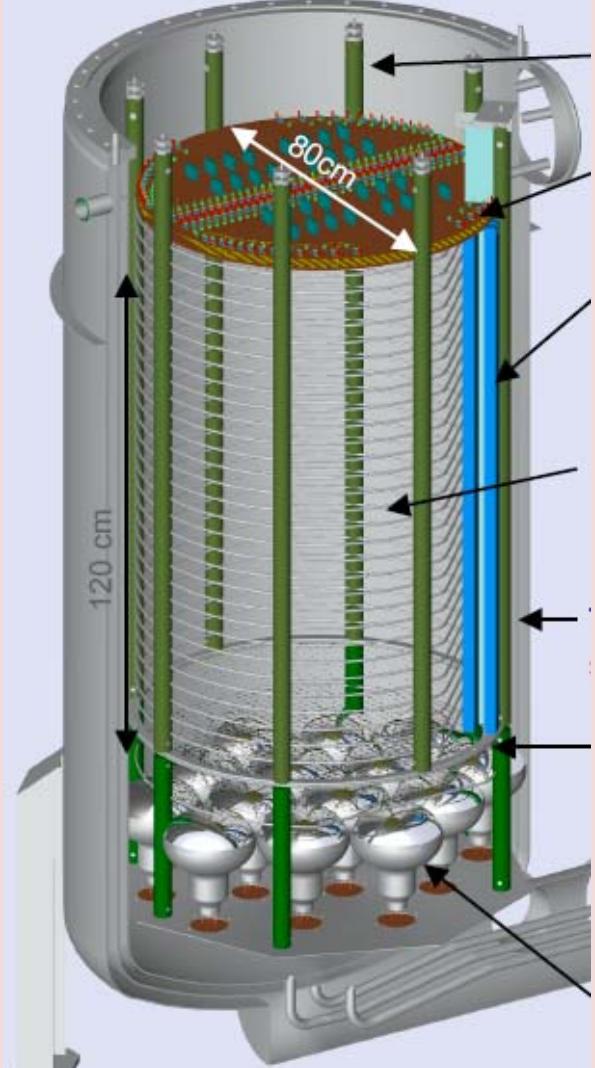
Depth: 800 m

Muons: $0.47 \times 10^{-2} \mu \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Ventilation: 11.000 m³/h

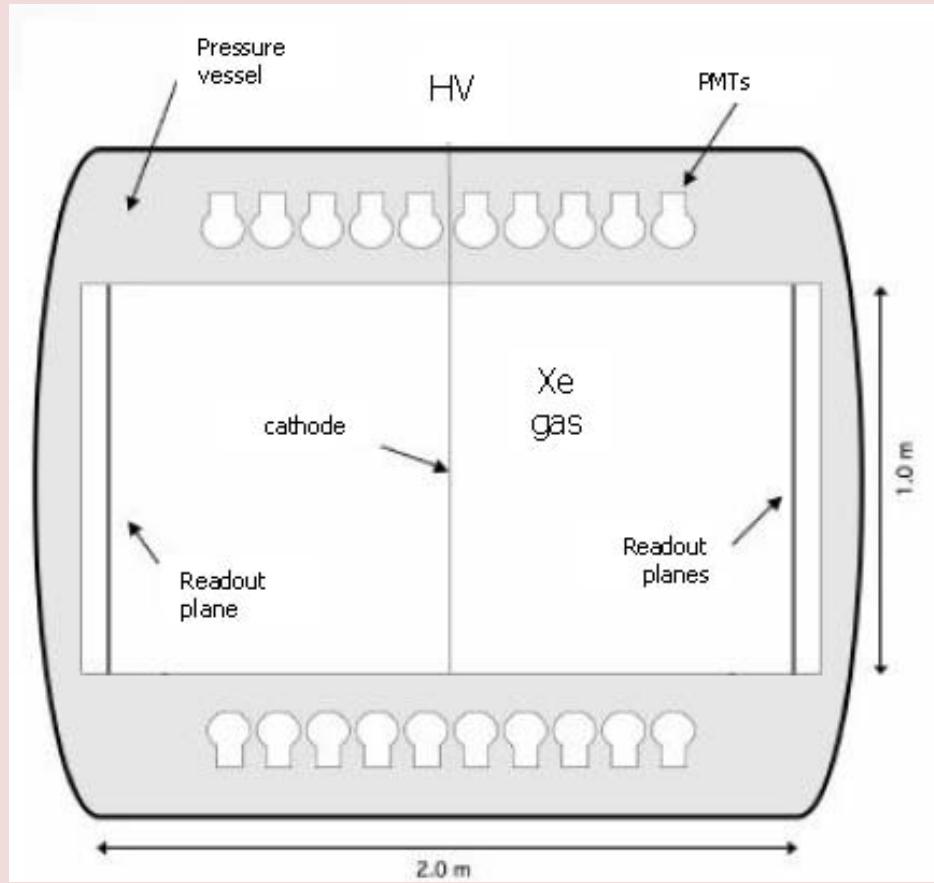
Operative budget: $\approx 1600 \text{ k}\text{\euro}/\text{yr}$





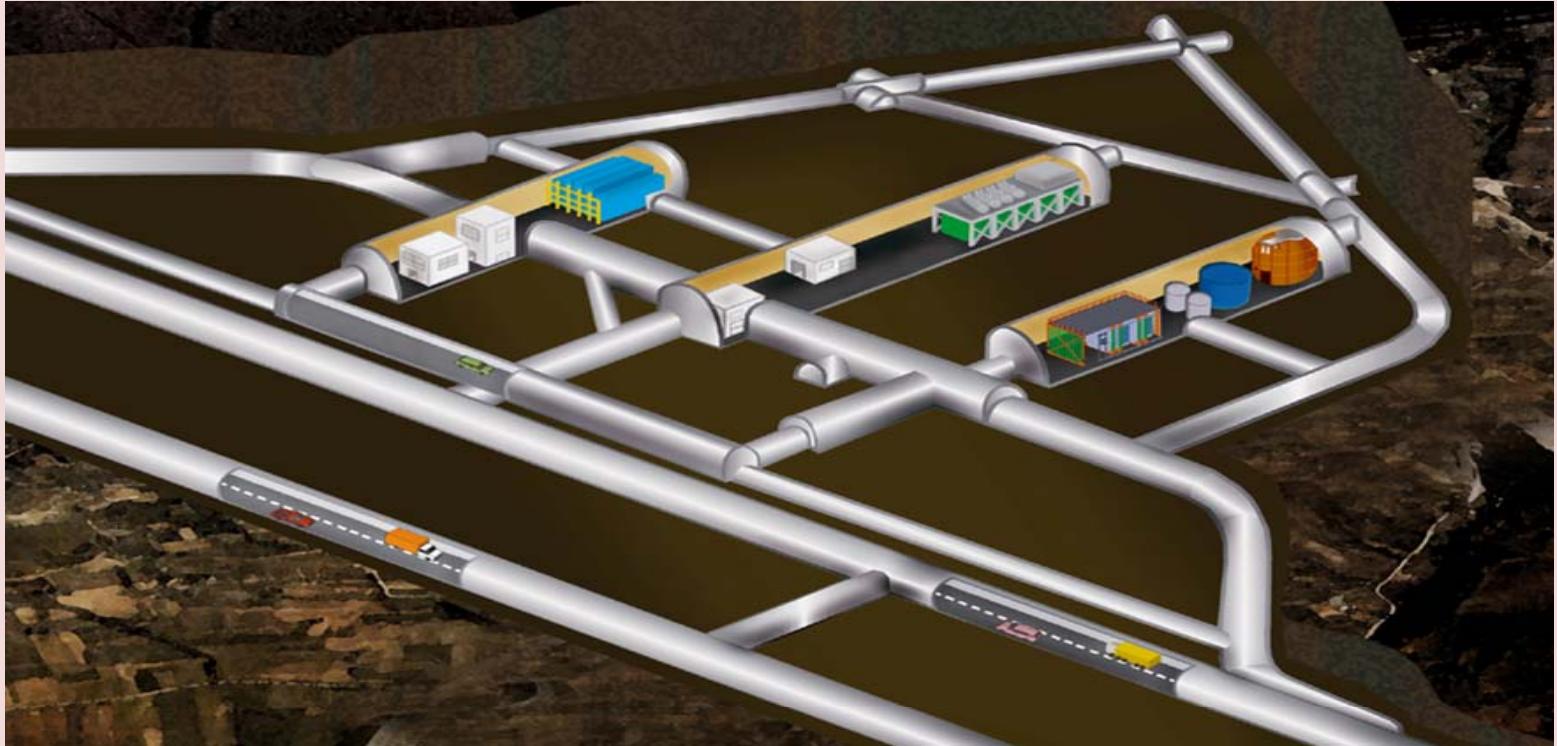
Ar two-phase TPC,
test of 1 ton prototype at CERN
installation in 2011

App. Ge det. in fund.l research



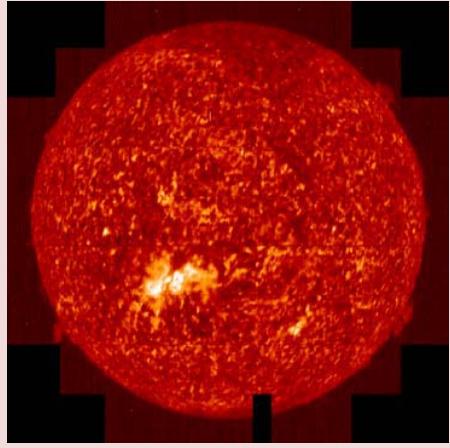
10 bar gas TPC with ^{136}Xe (100 kg)
FWHM resolution ~1% feasible
prototypes in 2011 at LSC

Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso



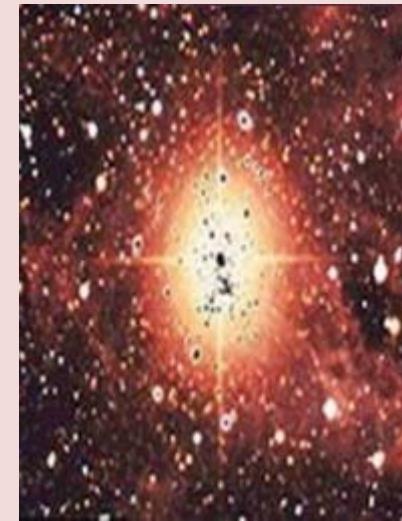
biggest laboratory in the world with widest physics program,
construction finished in 1987,
rock shielding sufficient for current experiments, $(3100+x)$ m w.e.
good above ground facilities

LNGS physics



solar+geo ν

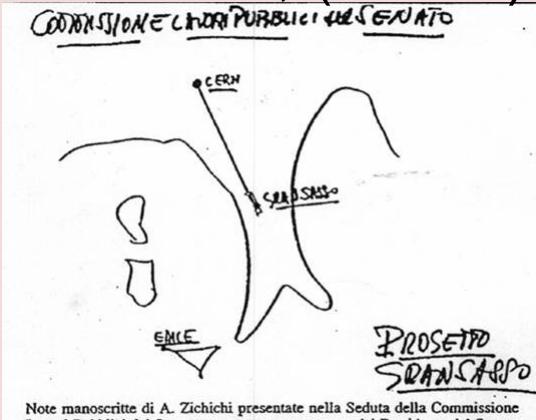
Borexino



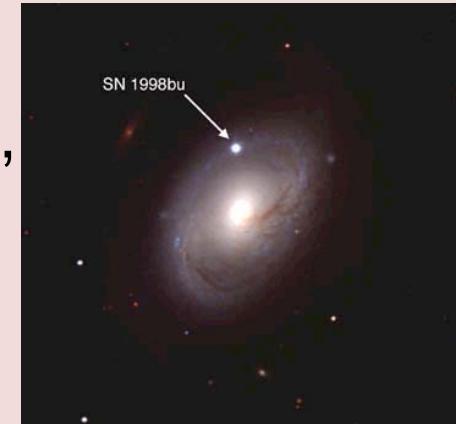
supernova ν

LVD

CERN beam
OPERA, (Icarus)



dark matter
Dama/Libra,
Cresst,
Xenon,
WARP



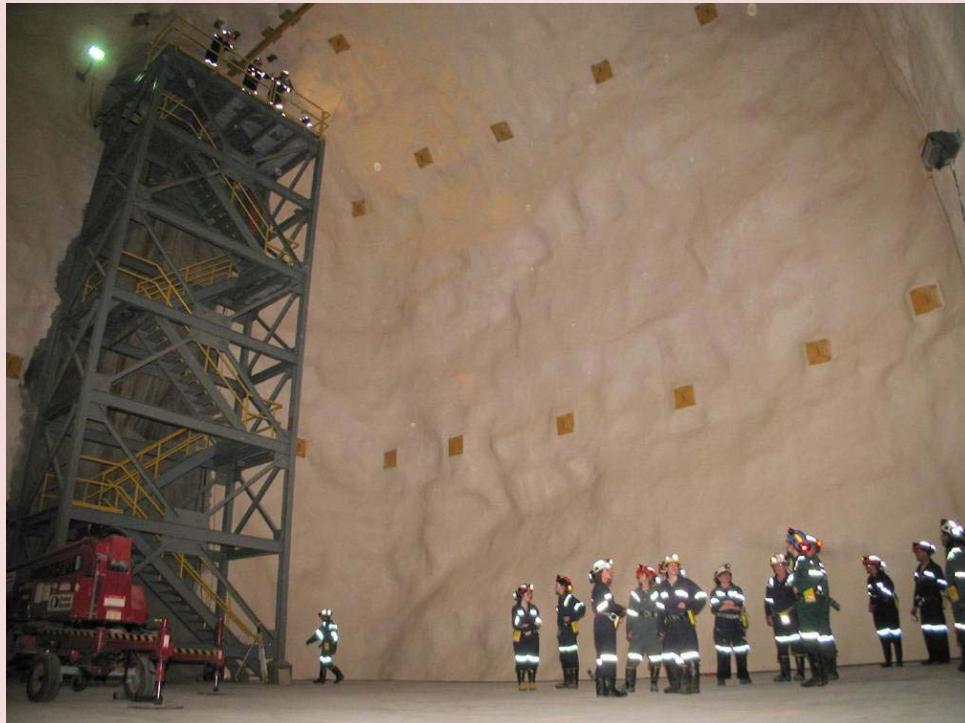
nuclear astro physics
Luna

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App. Ge det. in fund.l research

successful transformation from SNO to SNOLab !!
my impression: very successful transition,
good support for experiments
independent exp halls → improved safety



Experiment Program



The vision

DUSEL

Deep Underground Science
and Engineering Laboratory

at Homestake, SD

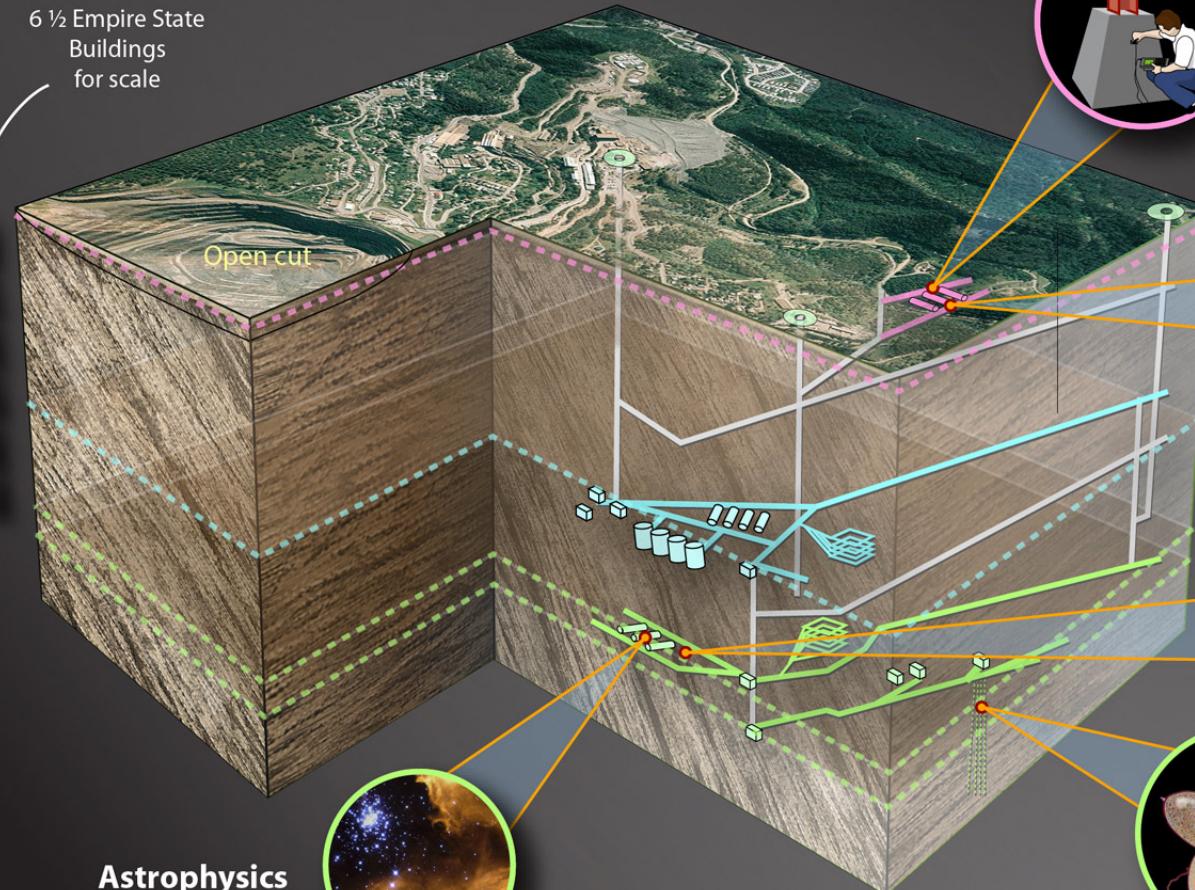


6 ½ Empire State
Buildings
for scale

Shallow
Lab

Mid-level

Deep
Campus



Engineering

Geoscience

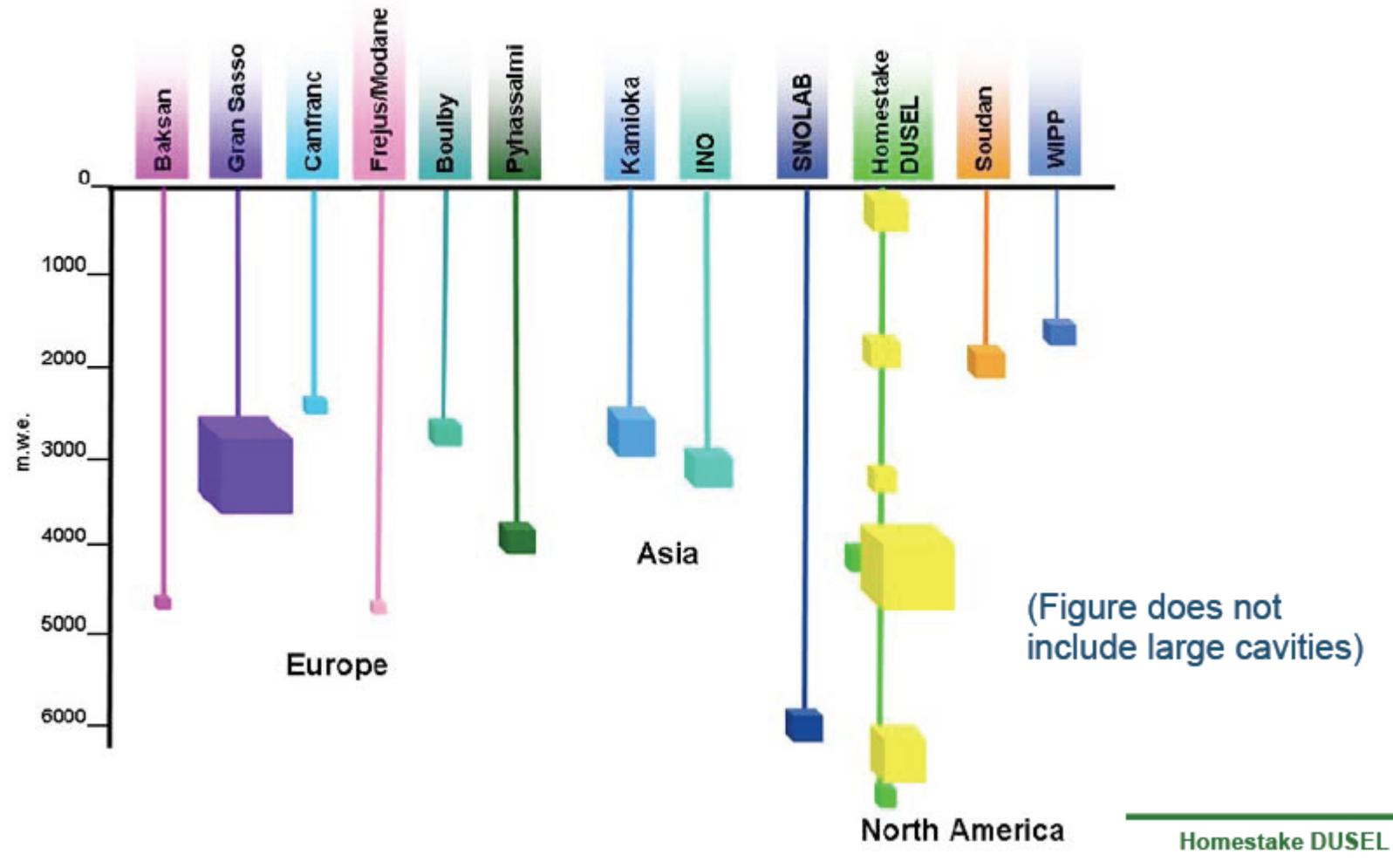
Physics

Biology



Providing Critical Research Space, Especially at Great Depths

LONGSECTION OF THE HOMESTAKE MINE



Space available for LUX and Majorana demonstrator at 4850 level, first experiments

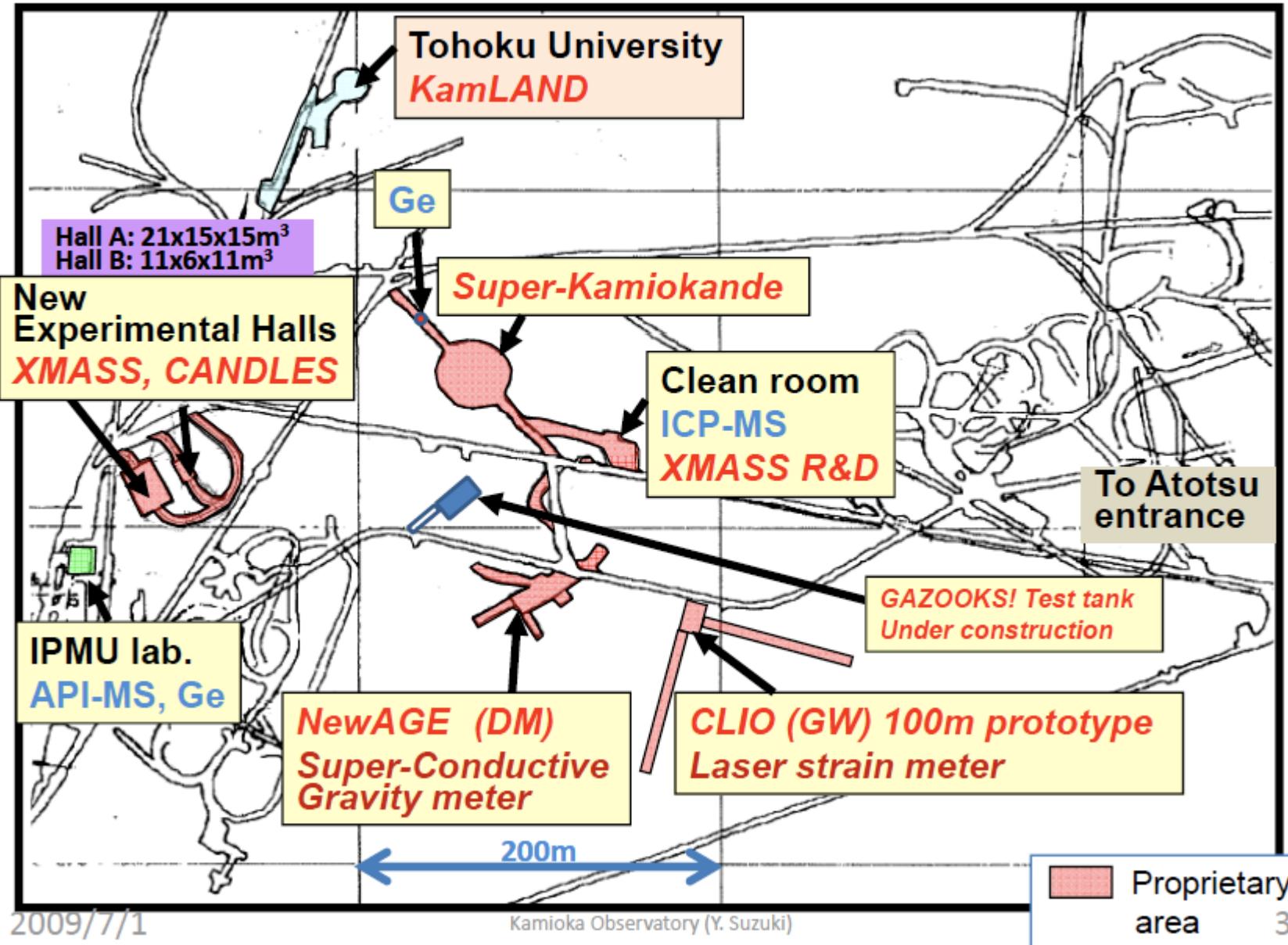
Kamioka Observatory

Founded in 1983 by M. Koshiba to host KamikaNDE (=Nucleon Decay Exp)
1996 Super-Kamiokande started ($3\text{kt} \rightarrow 50\text{ kt}$ water Cherenkov detector)

in the last year: K2K and T2K beams, new halls for Kamland, ...
transition to a facility



Scientific Activities at Kamioka Observatory



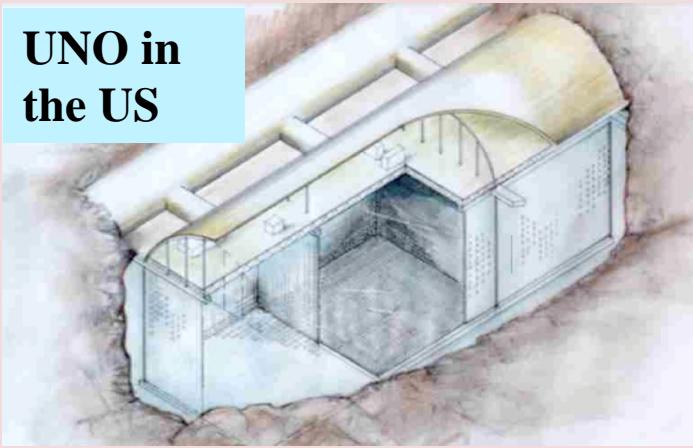
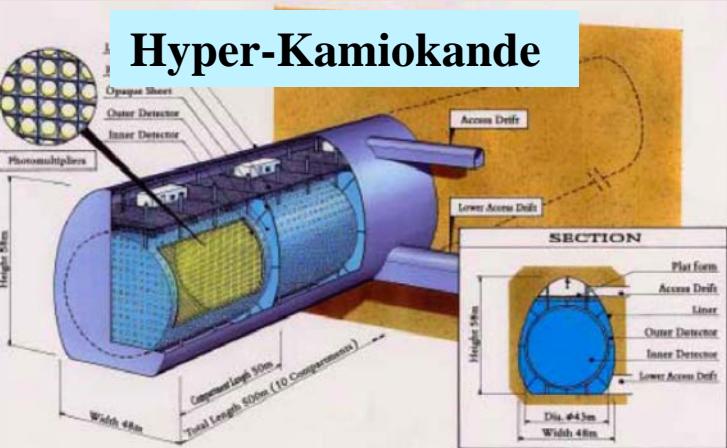
(personal) summary & conclusions

- many labs are(have) upgrading (Canfranc, Modane, SNOLab, Kamioka)
- many new labs are under construction/planned (INO, CJPL, DUSEL)
this development is opposite to HEP: labs are “closing” (DESY, Stanford, ...)
- what are the important design parameters for a lab?
proton decay exp. require big size,
future DM exp. large depth,
for me infrastructure is very important
- the size/cost of the experiments is increasing
→ I expect that the number of experiments will decrease
Why is the number of laboratories increasing?
- from what I see: our chinese colleagues are very ambitious and
with the deepest underground lab China can play a major role in the future

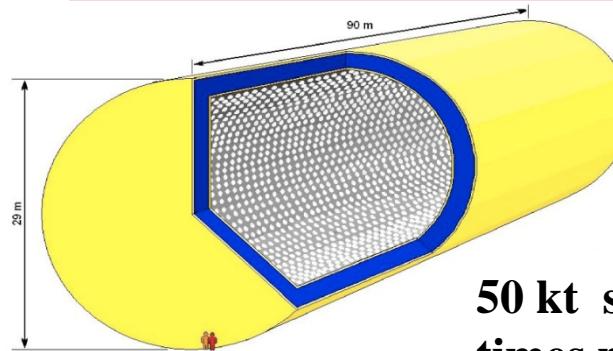
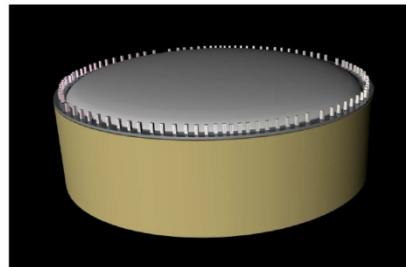
'Megaton' Detector

- nucleon-decay
- long baseline neutrinos from accelerator
- SN neutrinos

Three water Cherenkov proposals $\Rightarrow \approx 10\text{-}20$ times present Super-K



100 kt scale LAr
 ≈ 300 times present technology



LENA, HSD

50 kt scintillator ≈ 50 times present technology

LAGUNA R&D proposal to FP7:comparison of the techniques and possible sites in Europe