

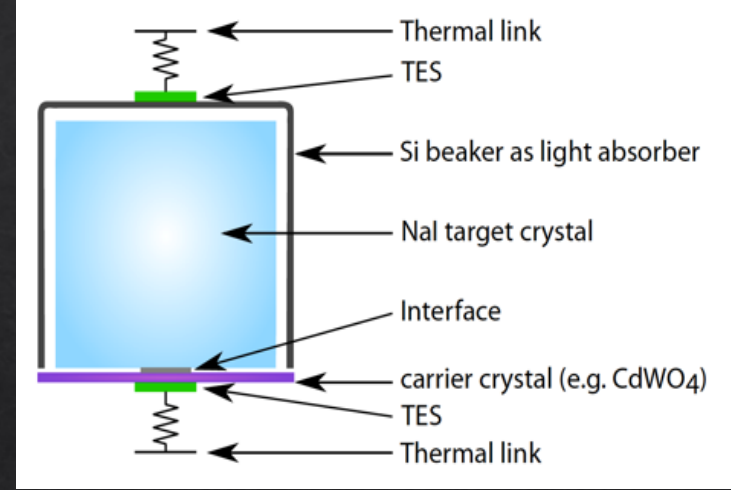
...a *NaIce* experiment

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Method



$$\text{LIGHT YIELD} = \frac{\text{LIGHT SIGNAL}}{\text{HEAT SIGNAL}}$$

Performance goal

- $E_{th} = 1 \text{ keV}$ ($5 \sigma_{\text{Phonon}}$)
- $\sigma_{\text{Phonon}} = 0.2 \text{ keV}$
- $\sigma_{\text{Light}} = 0.11 \text{ keV}_{ee}$
- 4% of deposited energy measured as light

Gross exposure: 100 kg-days

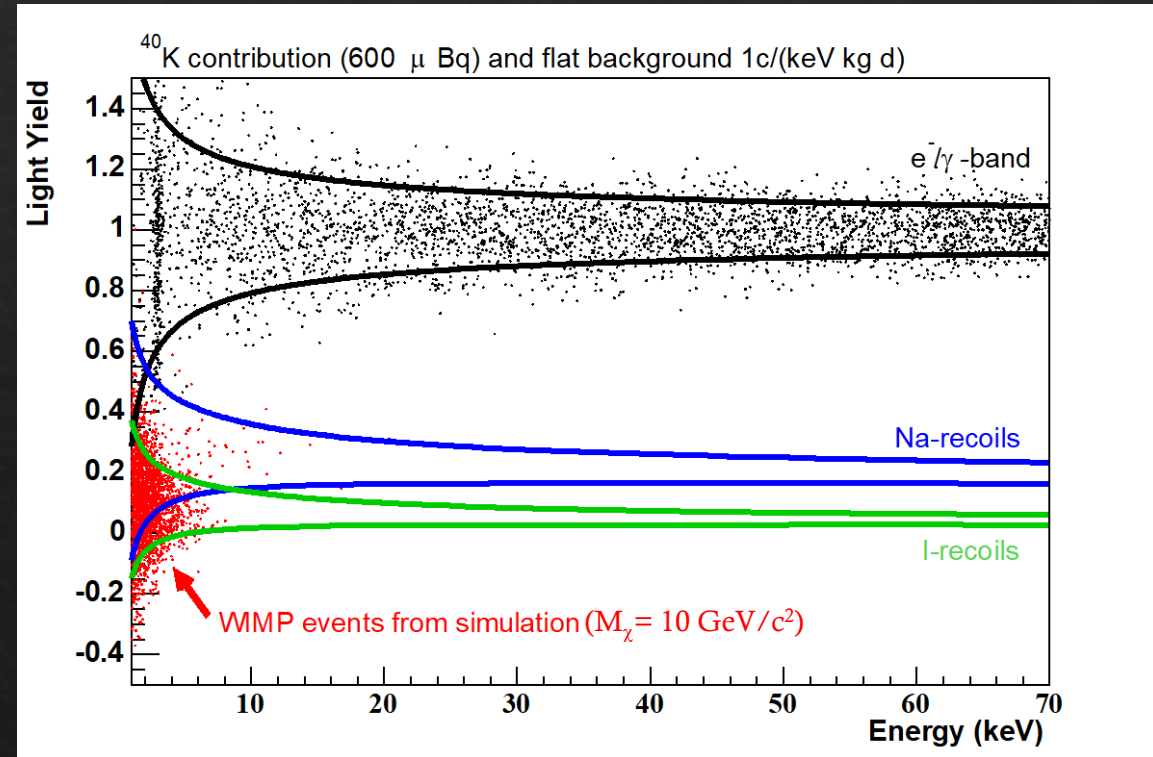
Background:

- 1 cts/keV/kg/yr
- 600 μBq ⁴⁰K

Light quenching factor

(from Tretyak, Astropart. Phys. 33, 40 (2010))

- Na \rightarrow 0.3
- I \rightarrow 0.1





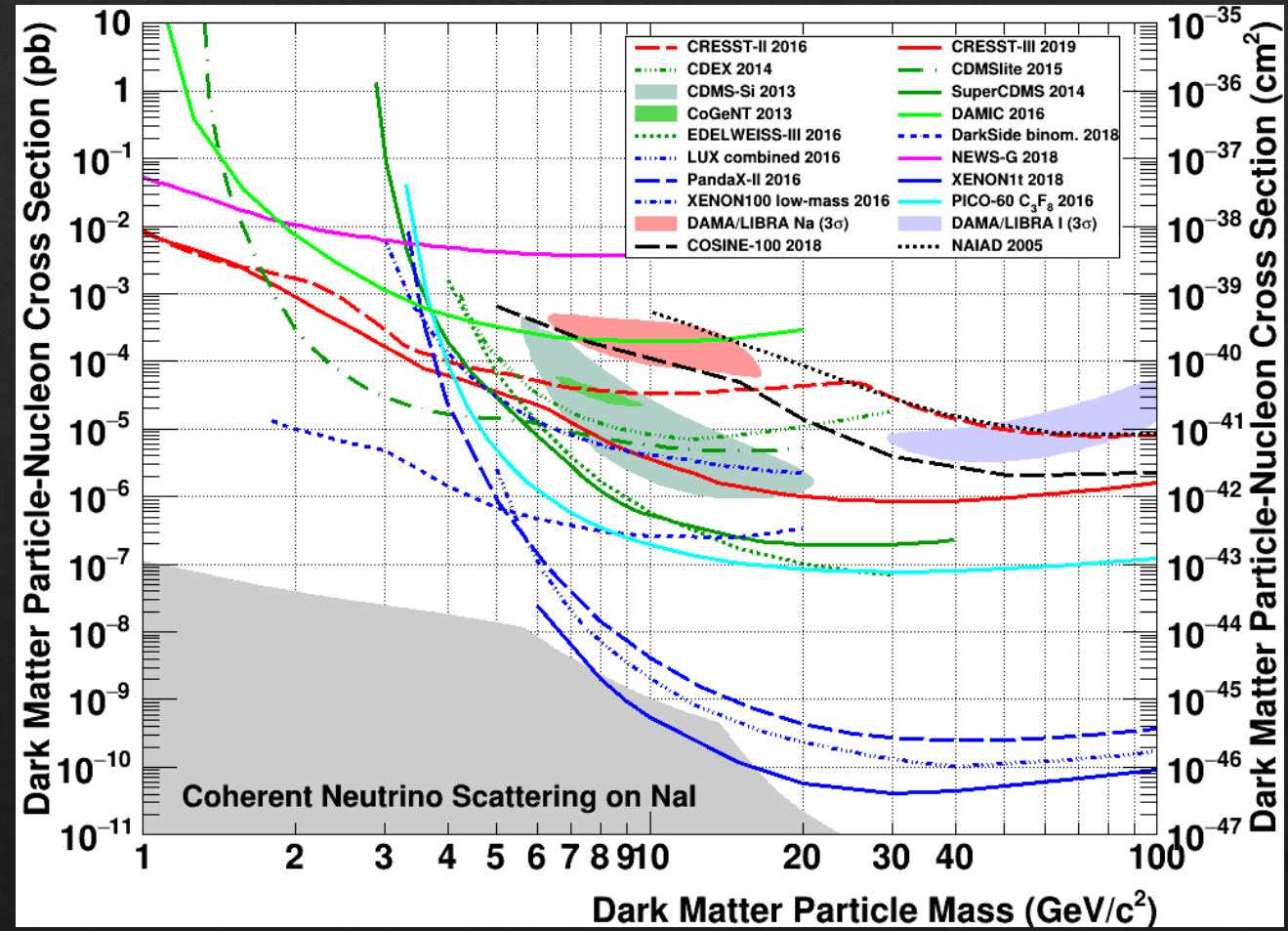
Motivation

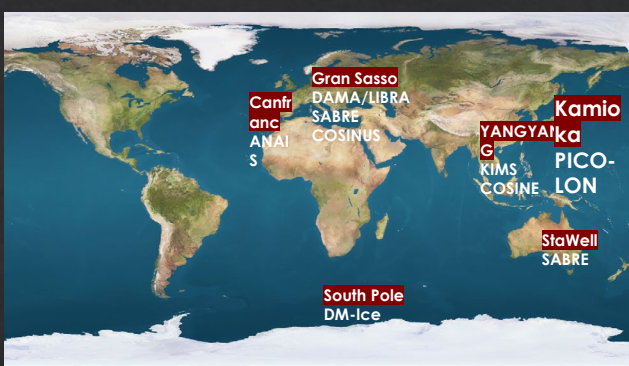
$$\frac{dR}{dE_r} = N_N \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi} \int_{v_{min}}^{v_{max}} d\vec{v} f(\vec{v}) v \frac{d\sigma}{dE_r}$$

UNKNOWN:

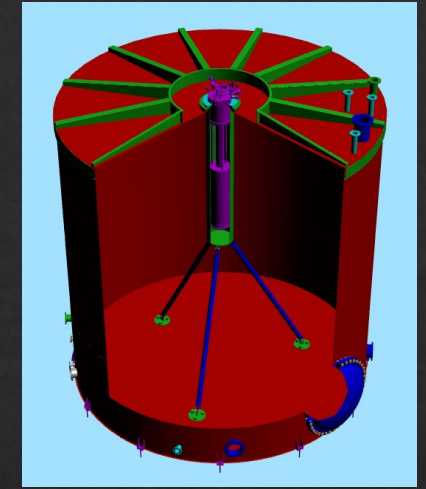
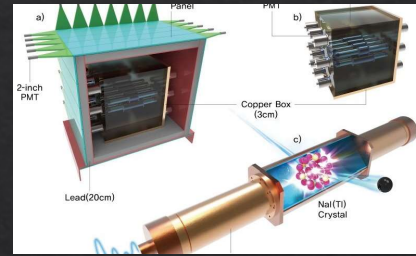
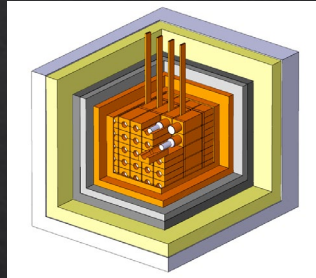
- Astrophysics
- Particle/Nuclear Physics
- Detector Properties

**Target material dependence:
test DAMA with NaI experiment(s)**





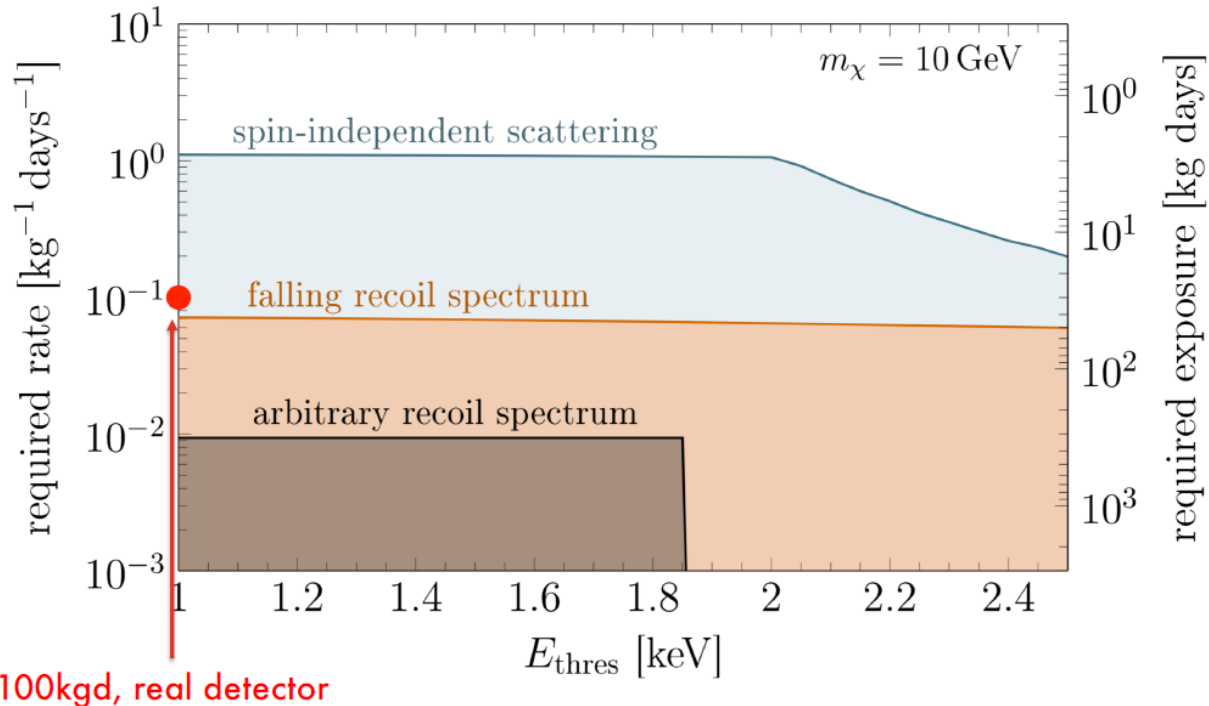
NaI exp. comparison



| | DAMA | COSINE | ANAIS | COSINUS |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Threshold | 1 keV _{ee} | 2 keV _{ee} | 1 keV _{ee} | Phonon det. 1 keV Light det. : 600 eV _{ee} |
| Mass | 250 kg | 106 kg | 112 kg | 11 kg (COSINUS-2π) |
| LY | 6.0 -10.0 ph.e./keV (phase2) | 15 ph.e./keV | 15 ph.e./keV | 32 ph.e./keV |
| Particle ID | NO | NO | NO | ✓ YES |

- COSINUS advantages:
- **particle identification capability**
 - **reliable energy scale** (independent from the uncertainties on the QFs)
 - **better energy resolution**
 - **lower threshold for nuclear recoils**

Physics Reach



Halo-independent constraints

- Blue \rightarrow spin-independent scattering
- Light brown \rightarrow any recoil spectrum falling with energy
- Dark brown \rightarrow exclusion (95% C.L.) without presuming any model on the dark matter halo or interaction properties except for the assumption that dark matter induces nuclear recoils.

COSINUS-1 π \rightarrow

- 100 kg days: exclude the DAMA region by about two orders of magnitude under standard assumption
10 crystals, 50 gr each \rightarrow 1 year of data taking
- 1000 kg days: 95% C.L. exclusion in a model independent way
20 crystals, 50 gr each \rightarrow 3 year of data taking,
20 crystals, 150 gr each \rightarrow 1 year of data taking

COSINUS-2 π \rightarrow search for modulation



R&D summary

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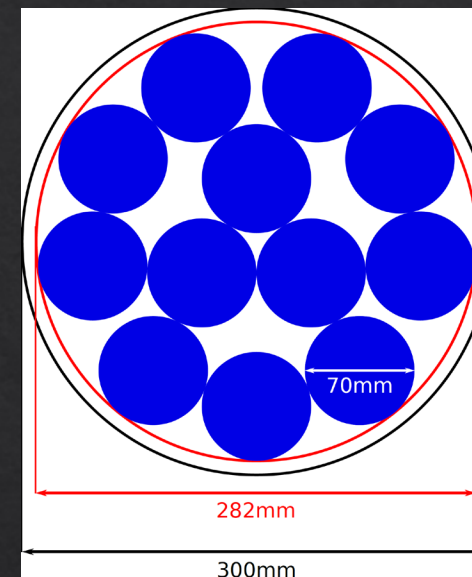
- NaI threshold about 5 keV (design goal → 1 keV)
- LD resolution 15 eV (goal achieved)
- 13% measured in light in pure NaI (design goal was 4%)
10% measured in Tl-doped NaI
- Good radiopurity (goal achieved)



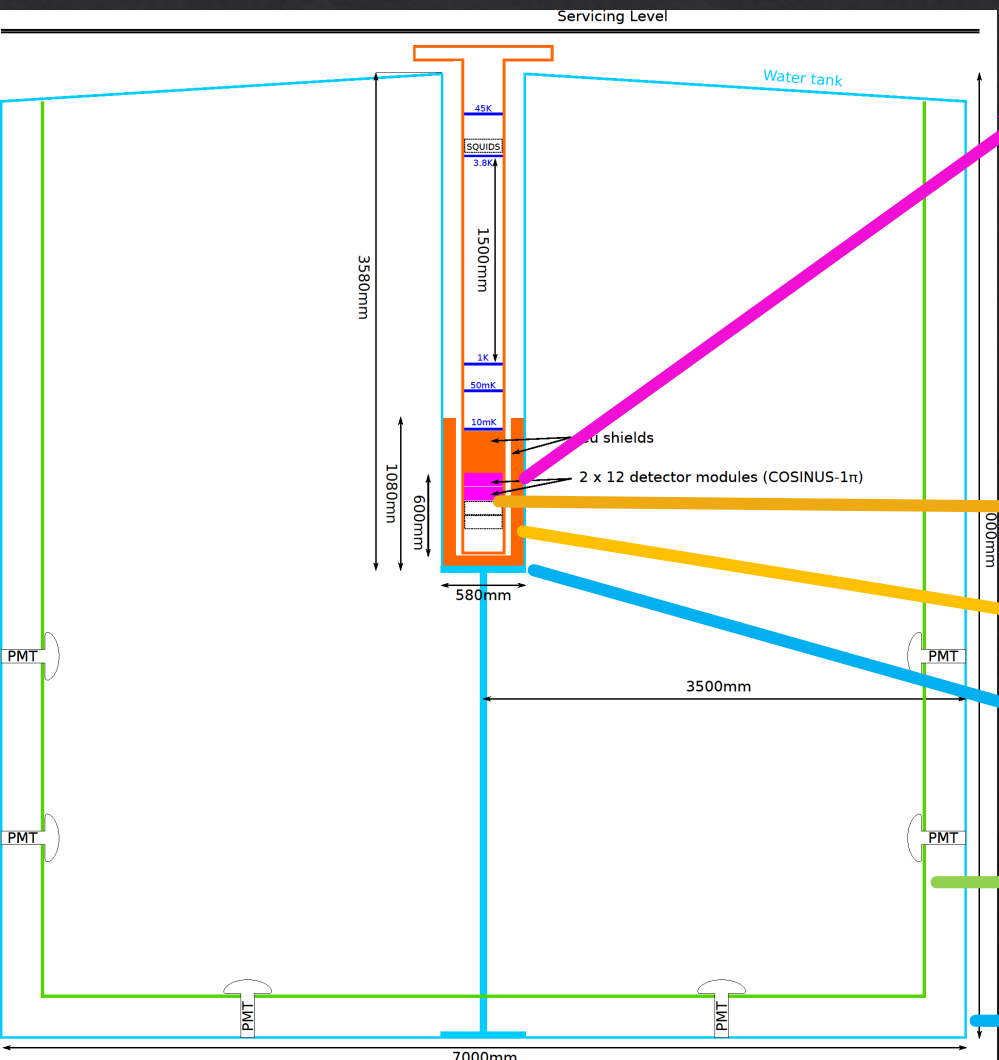
...Ready to start!



The experiment



Detector
COSINUS-1 π : up to 24 detectors
(50 - 150 gr each)
COSINUS-2 π : up to 72 detectors
(50 - 150 gr each)



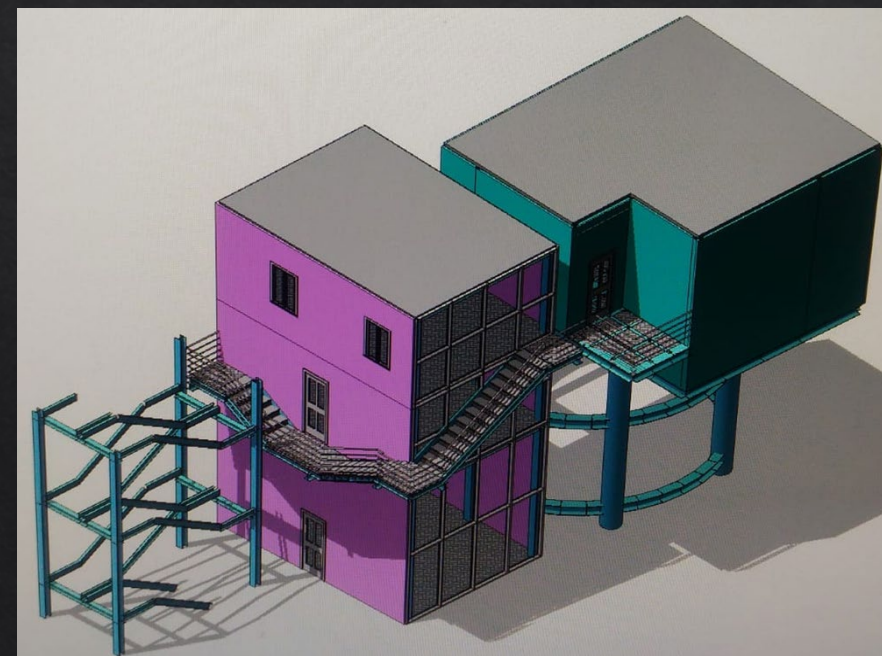
Cryostat

Shielding

Dry well

Cherenkov Muon
Veto System

Water Tank



Paper ready to be submitted to EPJC



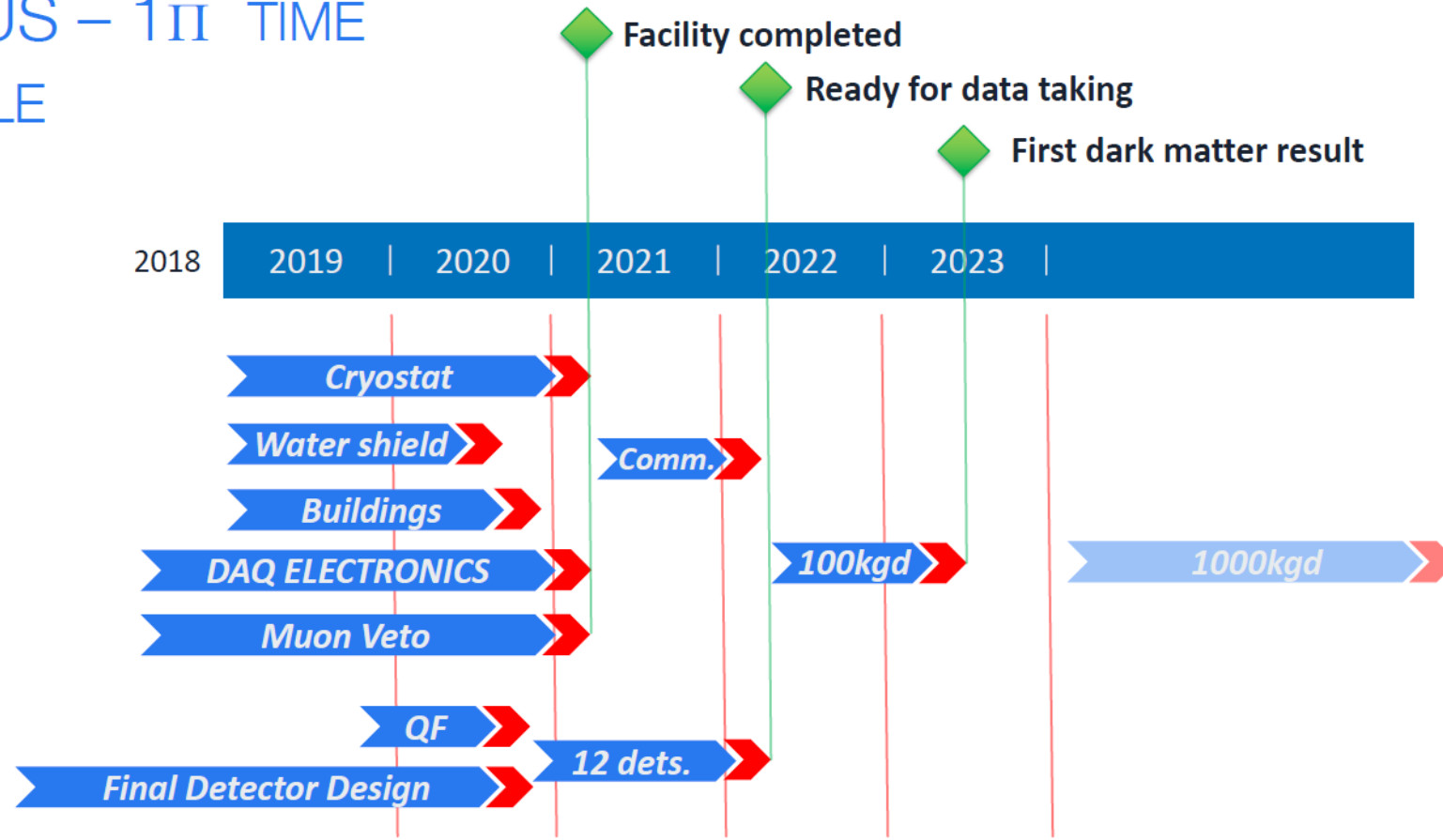
Time schedule

Proposal submitted to LNGS Scientific Committee in March 2019

Letter of Intent submitted to CSNII in June 2019

LNGS TDR → October 2019 LNGS Scientific Committee

COSINUS – 1 π TIME SCHEDULE





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The Collaboration

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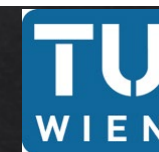
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Agreement on participation (@ July 2019)

Concrete discussion on cryogenic expertise (@September 2019)

BACKUP





COSINUS- 1π in the International Scientific Panorama

What happens if COSINE/ANAIS in 2022/2023

confirm DAMA

do not confirm DAMA

More attractive scenario (obviously):

Then we definitively need an other technique (but same target material) to cross check the signal, the energy scale and discover if the signal is in the electron or nuclear recoil band (= study the interaction properties).

**OK. Still DAMA is there. Still DM to discover.
And what about energy scale?**

- What is DAMA «signal»? Systematic? New background? Being in the same location is an advantage
- Systematic in ANAIN/COSINE? Energy scale for DAMA, COSINE and ANAIS indeed depends on QFs, which in turn could depend on Tl concentration.

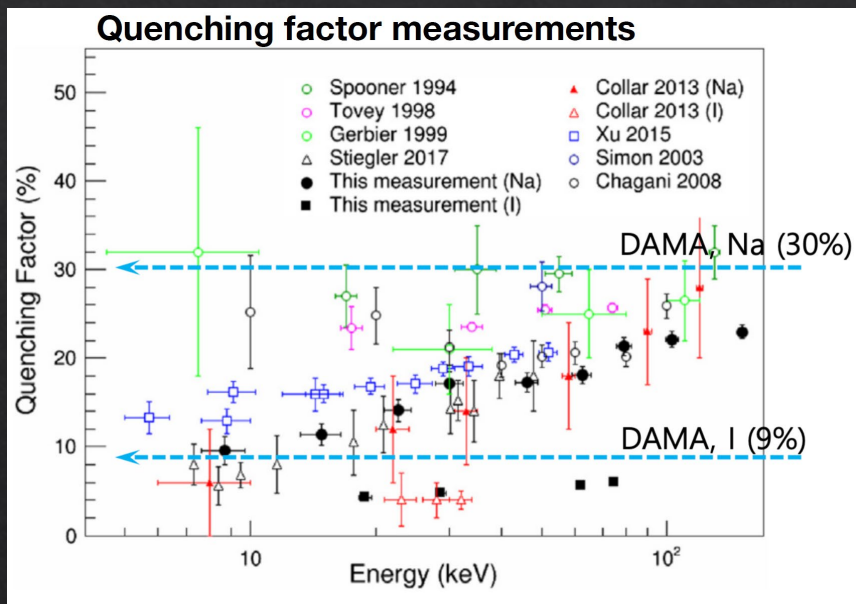
In contrast, COSINUS measures the energy scale with the phonon signal, which is independent from light quenching. Thus, the COSINUS goal threshold (1 keV) is always lower than that of competitors even for the unrealistic assumption of no quenching (QF=1)

- We can definitively increase the mass and do DM modulation search



The QFs problem

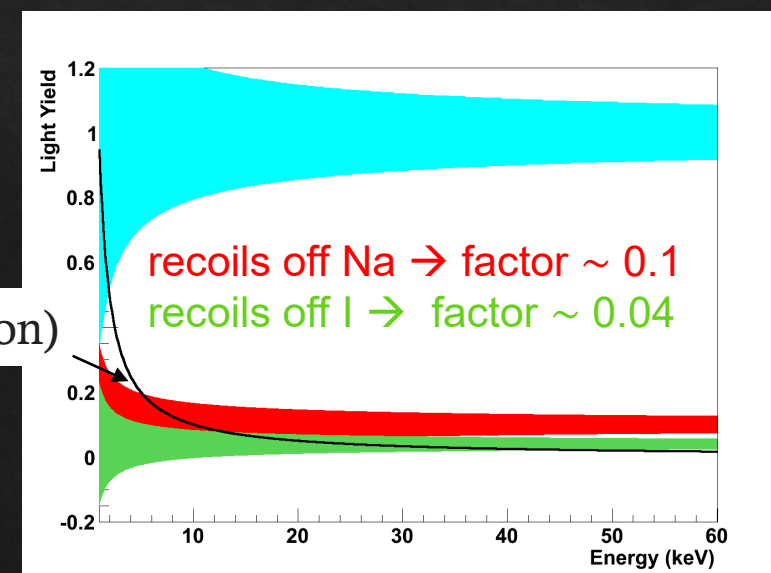
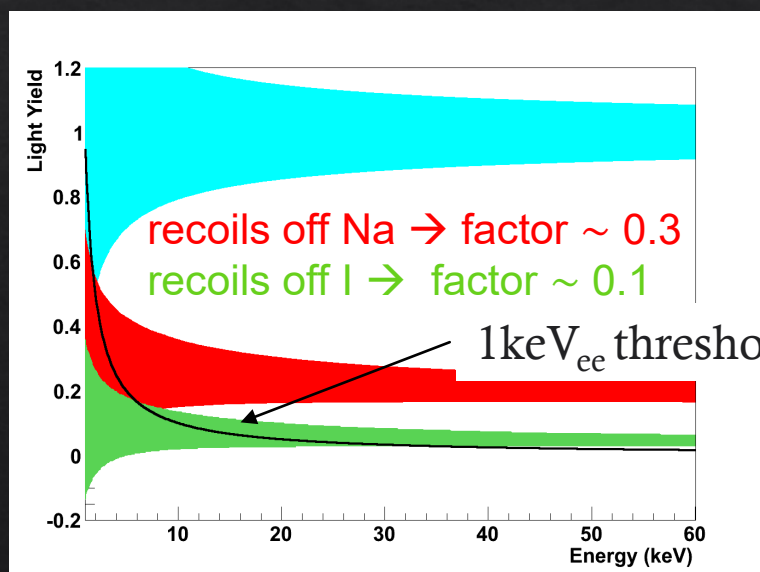
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Quenching factors are uncertain



Uncertainty on nuclear recoil energy scale

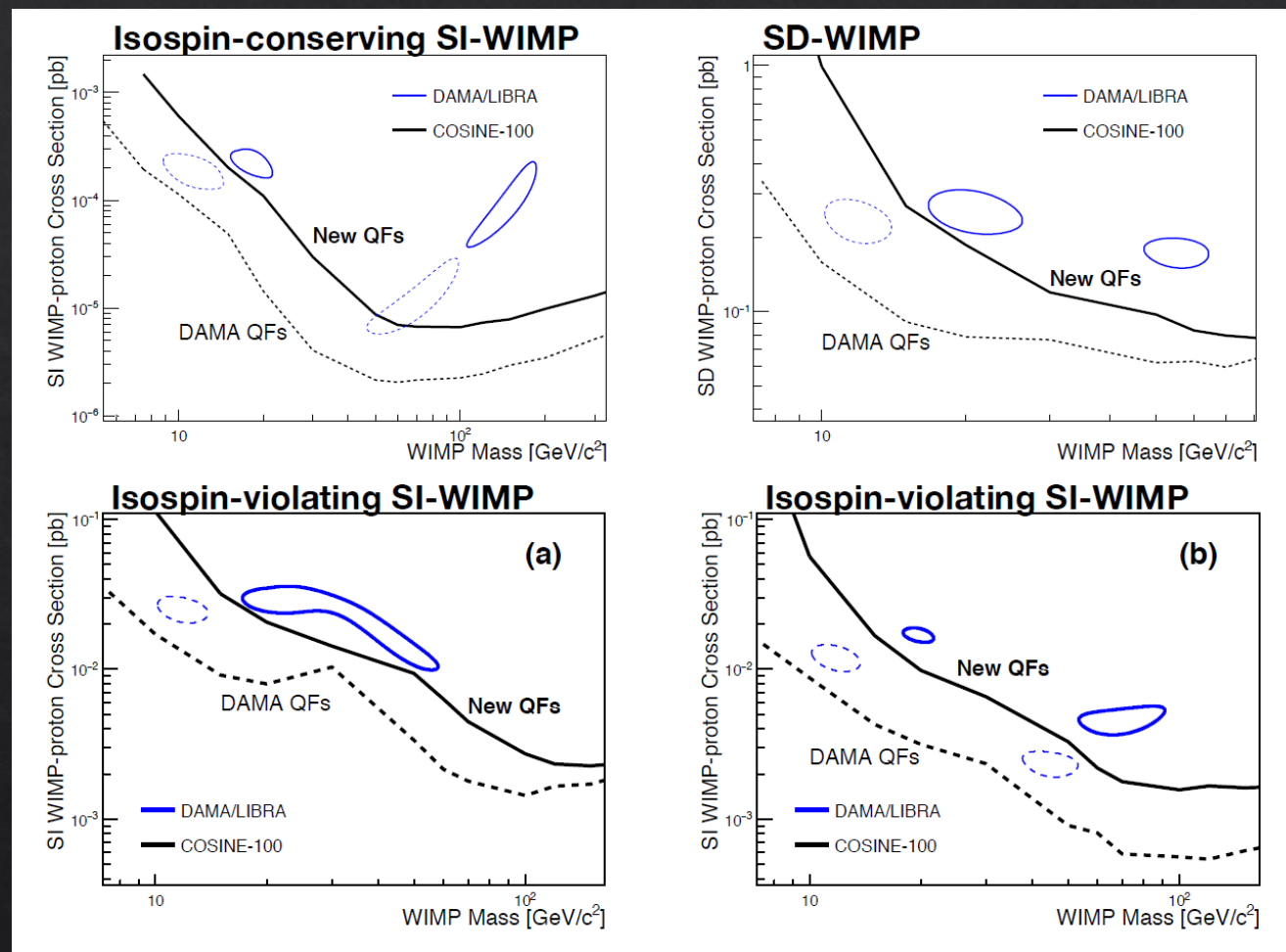




The QFs problem

arXiv:1907.04963v2 [hep-ex]

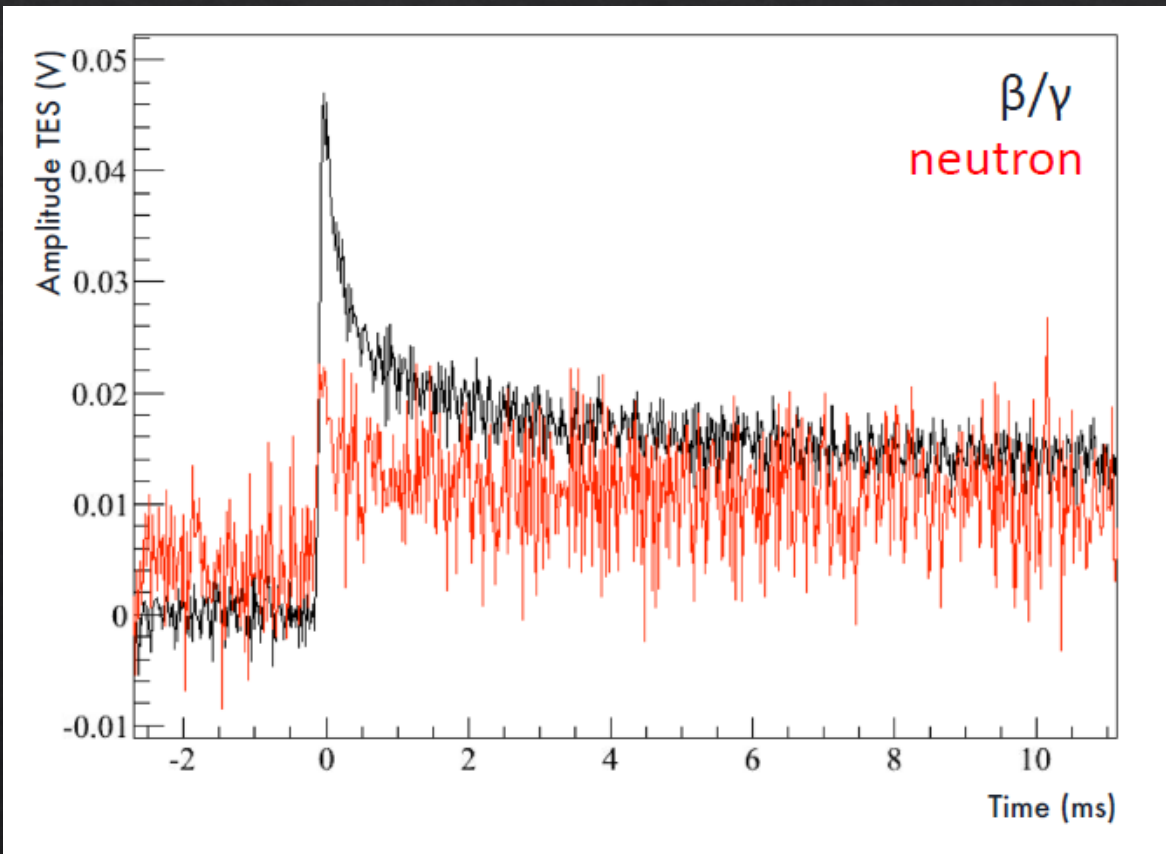
Y. J. Ko (COSINE-100) @ TAUP 2019





R&D results

NaI – particle discrimination

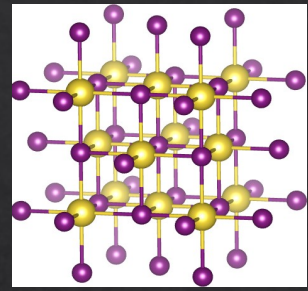


- ◇ Different pulse-shapes for neutron and β/γ -events, NOT observed for other materials (CRESST, CaWO₄)
- ◇ TES not yet well adapted to slow phonon signals of NaI
- ◇ TES Optimization
- ◇ Simulation/study of phonon signal pulse formation (solid state physics, L'Aquila university)



Vibrational Properties of Sodium Iodine crystal

First-Principles Density Functional Theory



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PHYSICAL REVIEW VOLUME 119, NUMBER 3 AUGUST 1, 1960

Lattice Dynamics of Alkali Halide Crystals*

A. D. B. WOODS, W. COCHRAN,† AND B. N. BROCKHOUSE
Physics Division, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, Chalk River, Ontario, Canada
 (Received March 11, 1960)

The paper comprises theoretical and experimental studies of the lattice dynamics of alkali halides. A theory of the lattice dynamics of ionic crystals is given based on replacement of a polarizable ion by a model in which a rigid shell of electrons (taken to have zero mass) can move with respect to the massive ionic core. The dipolar approximation then makes the model exactly equivalent to a Born-von Kármán crystal in which there are two "atoms" of differing charge at each lattice point, one of the "atoms" having zero mass. The model has been specialized to the case of an alkali halide in which only one atom is polarizable, and computations of dispersion curves have been carried out for sodium iodide. We have determined the dispersion $\nu(\mathbf{q})$ relation of the lattice vibrations in the symmetric [001], [110], and [111] directions of sodium iodide at 110°K by the methods of neutron spectrometry.

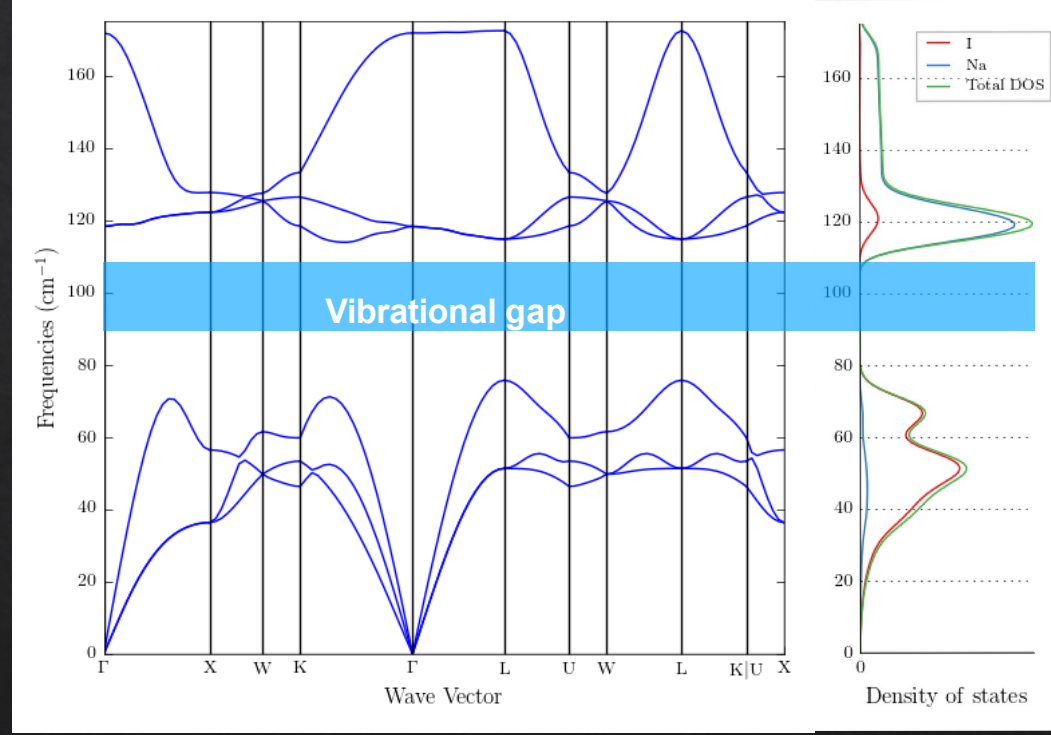
The transverse acoustic, longitudinal acoustic, and transverse optic branches were determined completely with a probable error of about 3%. The dispersion relation for the longitudinal optic (LO) branch was determined for the [001] directions with less accuracy. Frequencies of some important phonons with their errors (units 10^{10} cps) are: $TA[0,0,1] 1.22 \pm 0.04$, $LA[0,0,1] 1.82 \pm 0.06$, $TA[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1] 1.52 \pm 0.05$, $LA[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1] 2.32 \pm 0.06$, $TO[0,0,0] 3.6 \pm 0.1$, $TO[0,1,1] 3.8 \pm 0.1$, $TO[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1] 3.5 \pm 0.1$. The agreement between the experimental results and the calculations based on the shell model, while not complete, is quite satisfactory. The neutron groups corresponding to phonons of the LO branch were anomalously energy broadened, especially for phonons of long wavelength, suggesting a remarkably short lifetime for the phonons of this branch.

NaI: Phonon dispersion

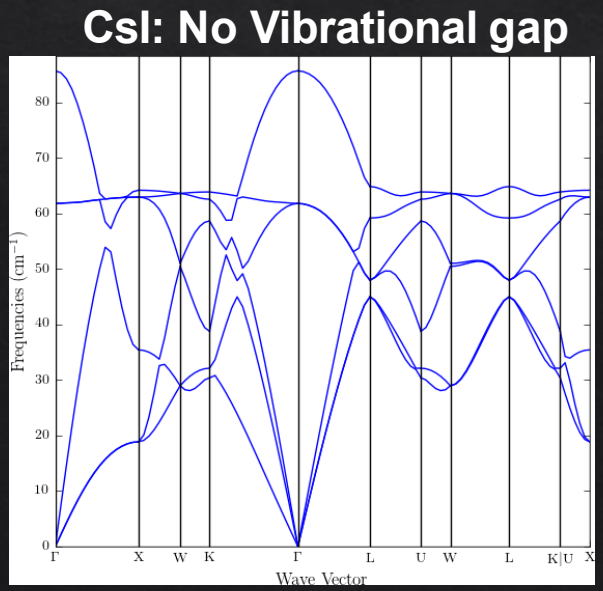
Longitudinal Optical (LO)

Transversal Optical (TO)

Acoustic Phonons (TO)



$M_{Na}=23$ amu $M_I=127$ amu $M_{Na} / M_I = 0.18$



$M_{Cs}=133$ amu $M_I=127$ amu $M_{Cs} / M_I = 1.04$

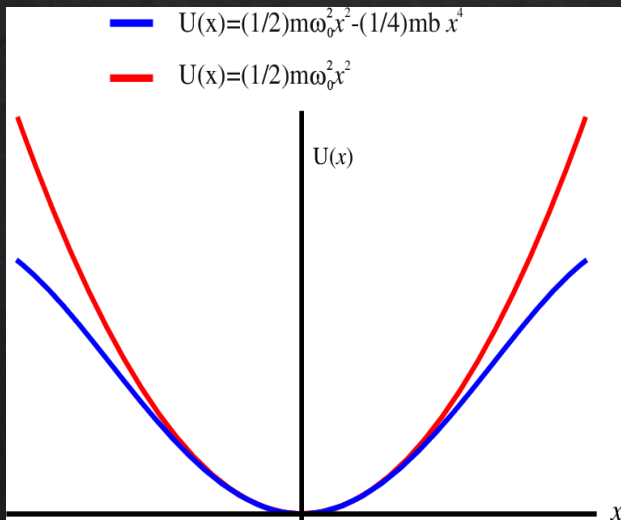
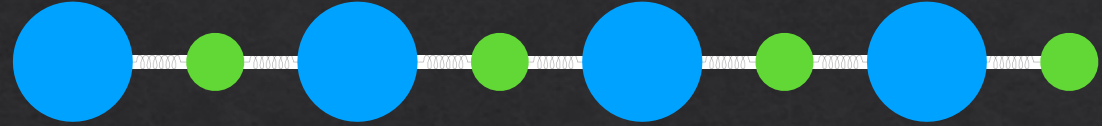


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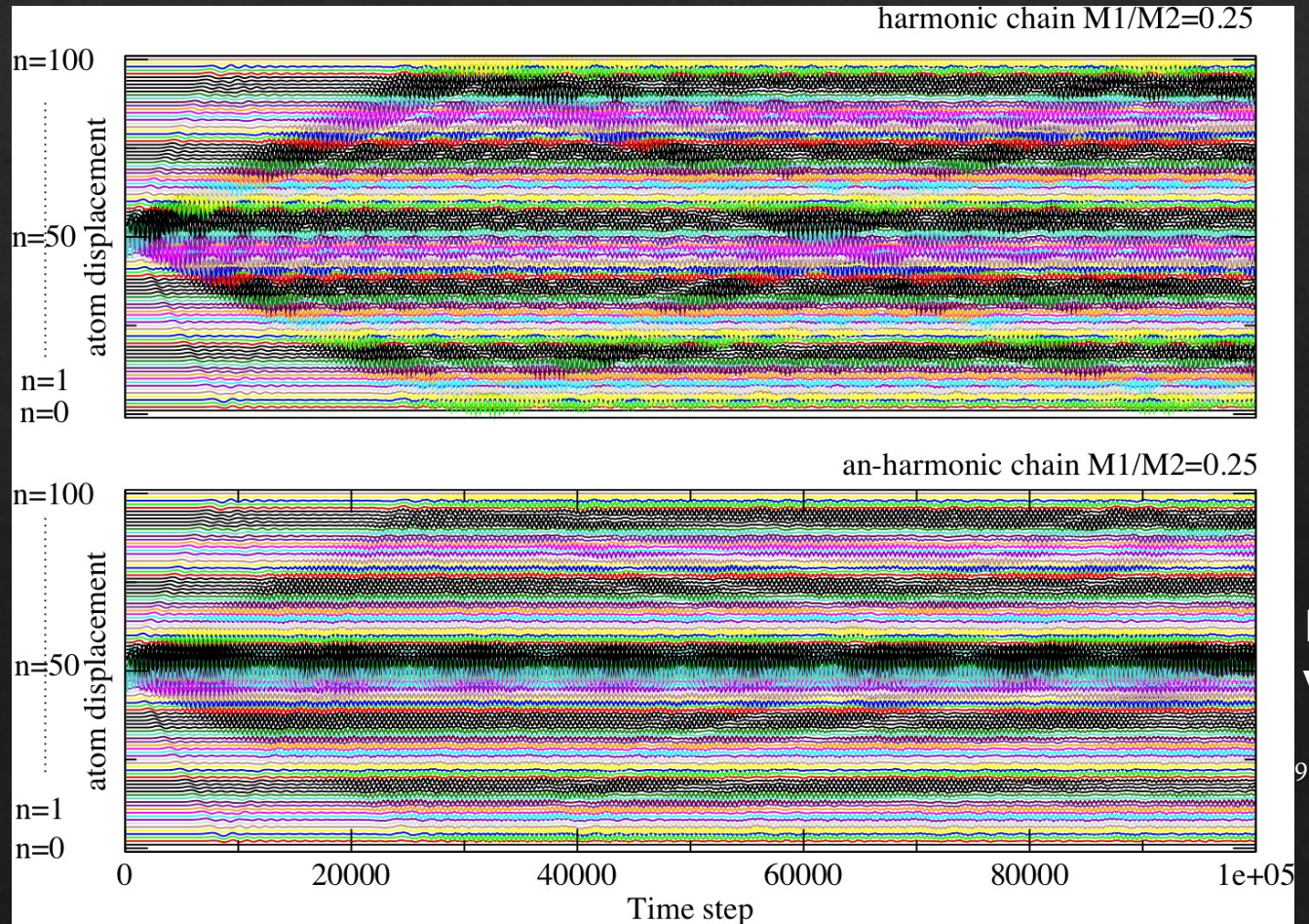
Intrinsic localized modes observed in the high-temperature vibrational spectrum of NaI., *Phys. Rev. B* 79, 134304 (2009).

$$U(x) = K_2 x^2 + K_4 x^4$$



Event in the Central atom:
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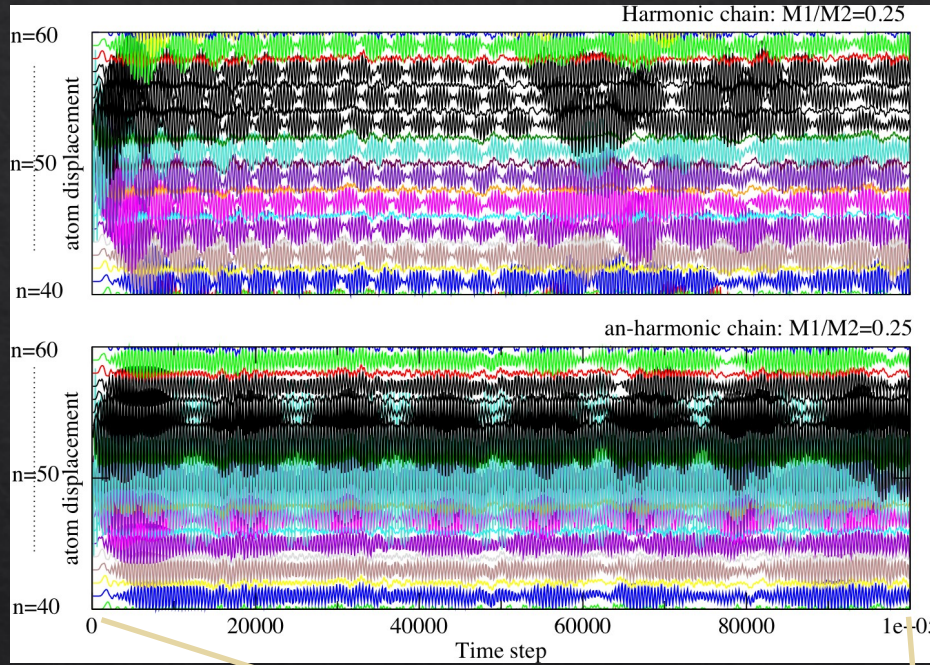


Localized vibrations

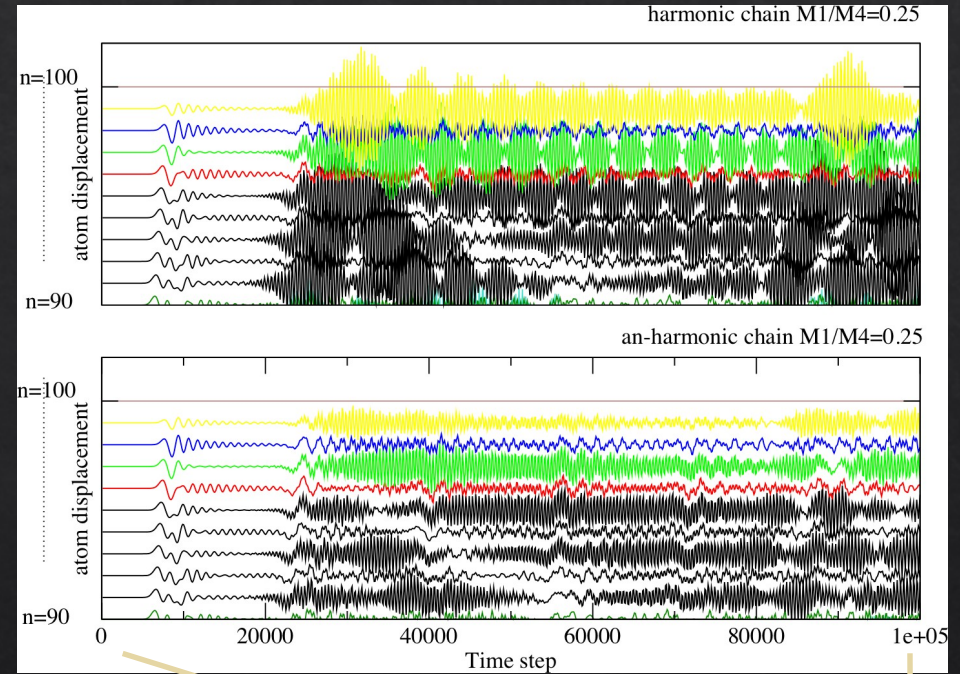


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De-localized



Localized





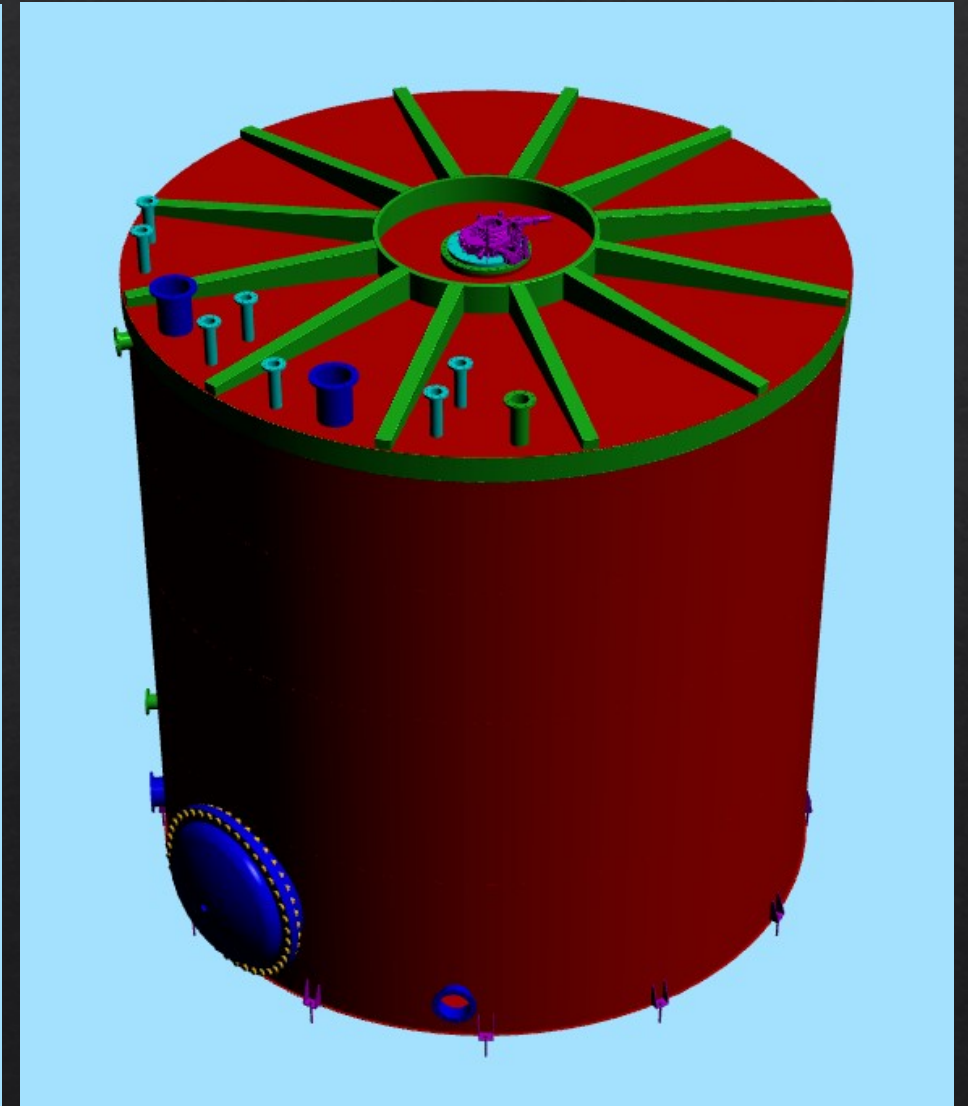
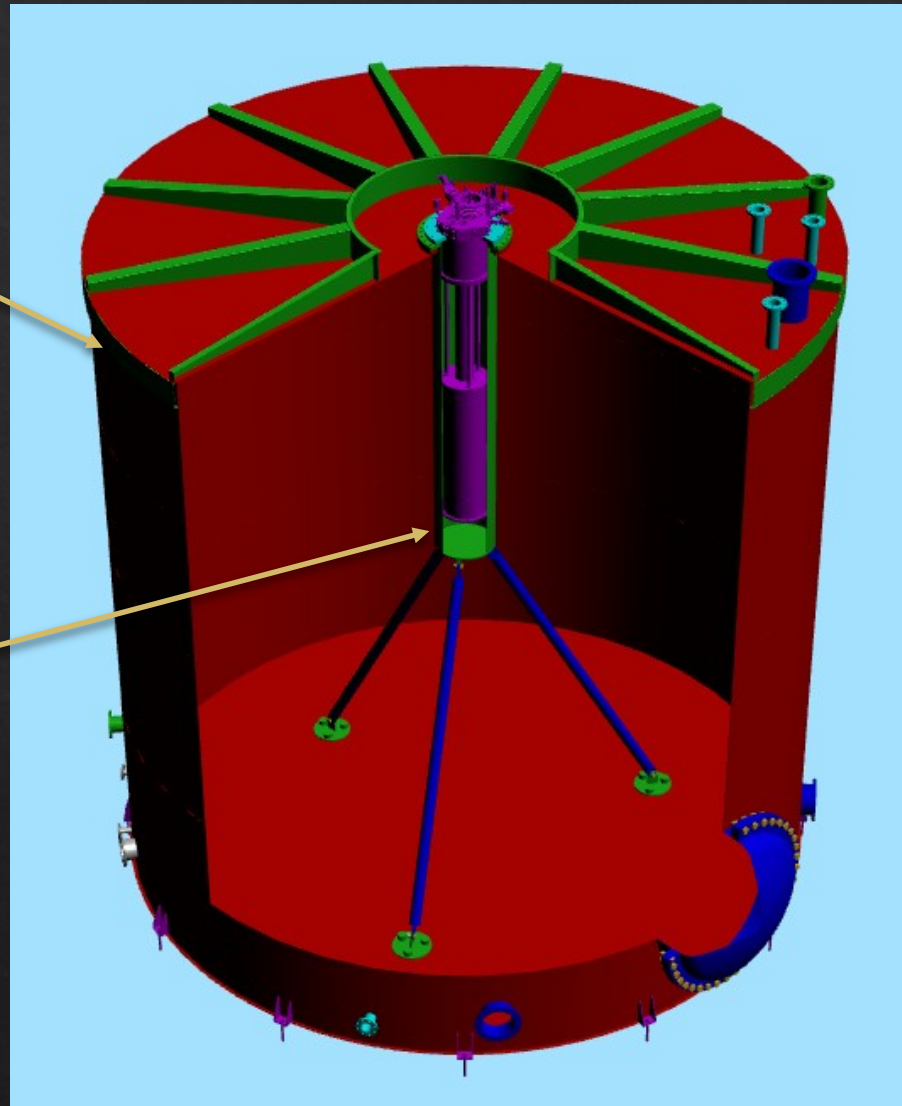
The experiment

Stainless steel water tank

- Height = 7 m
- Diameter = 7 m
- Thickness = 8 mm

Radiopure stainless steel dry well

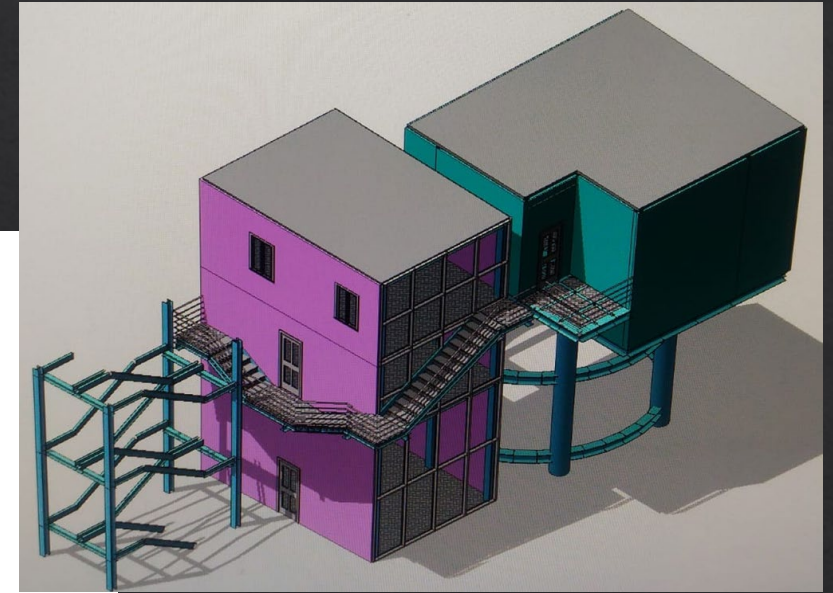
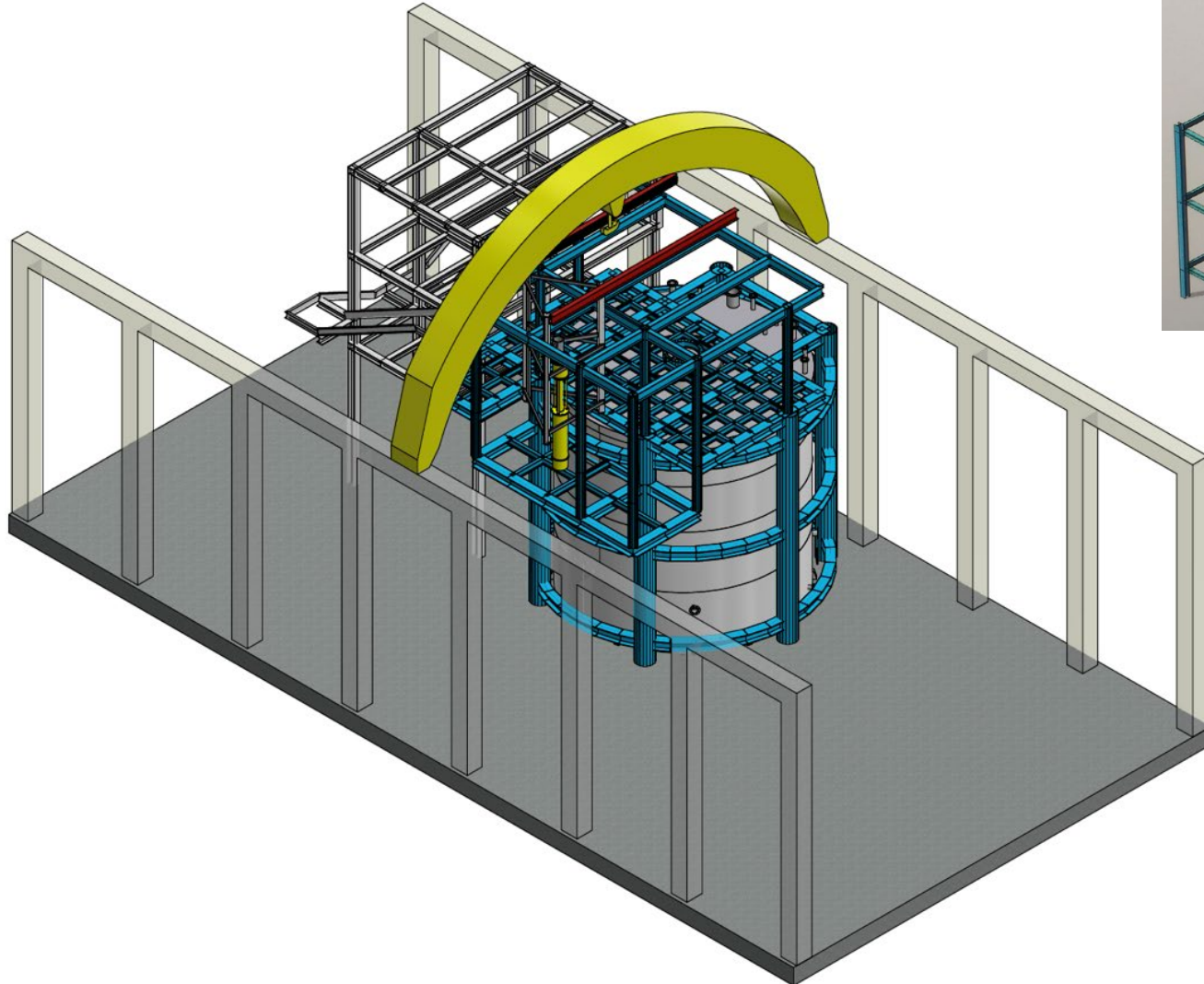
- Diameter = 580 mm
- Height = 3580 mm
- Holding dilution refrigerator (350 kg) and Cu shielding (1350 kg)





The experiment

Facilities



Platform:

Faraday cage

Clean Room (ISO7)

Building:

Infrastructure for refrigerator

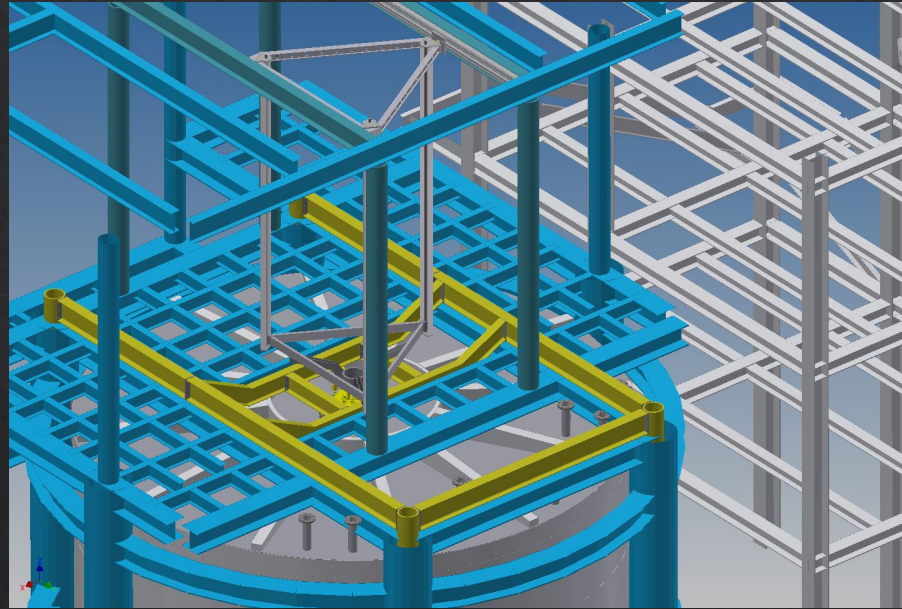
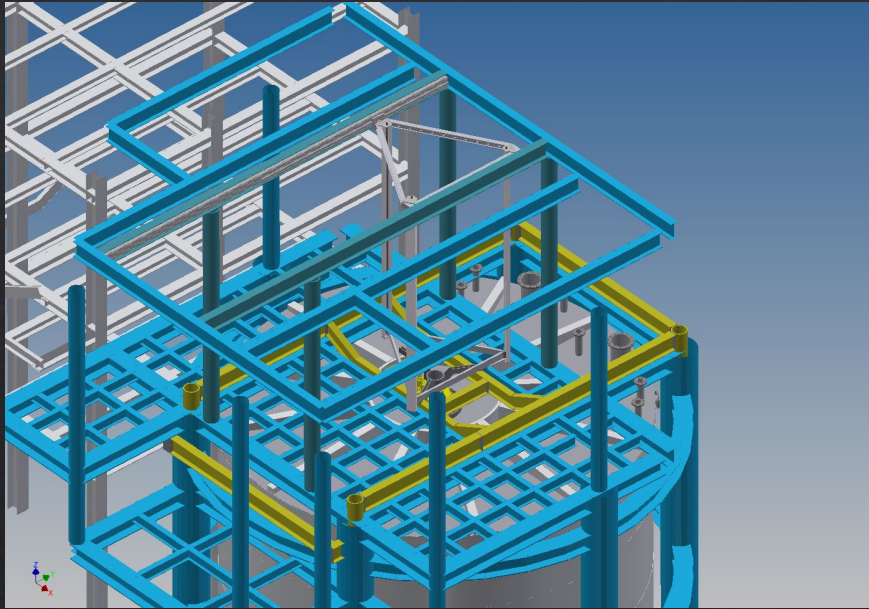
Working area

DAQ electronics

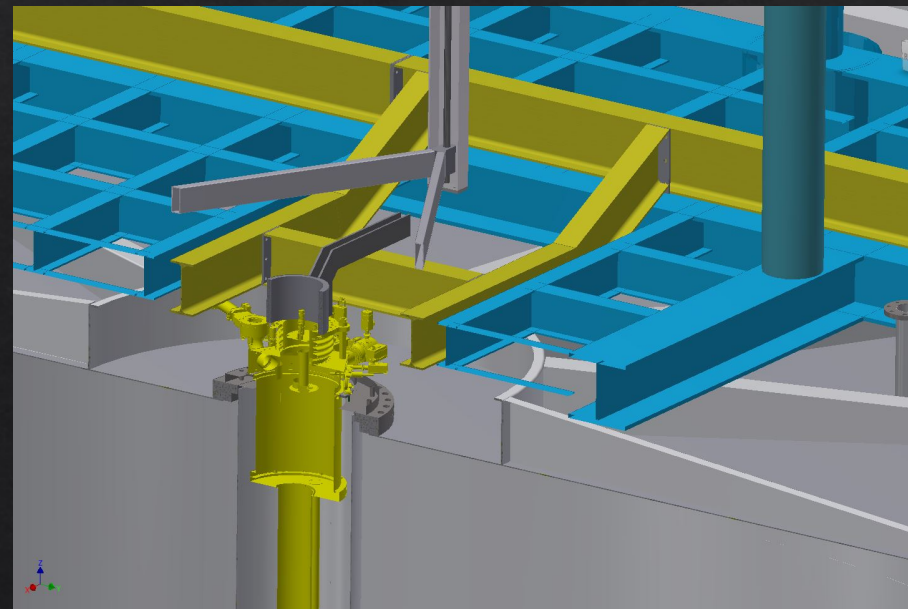
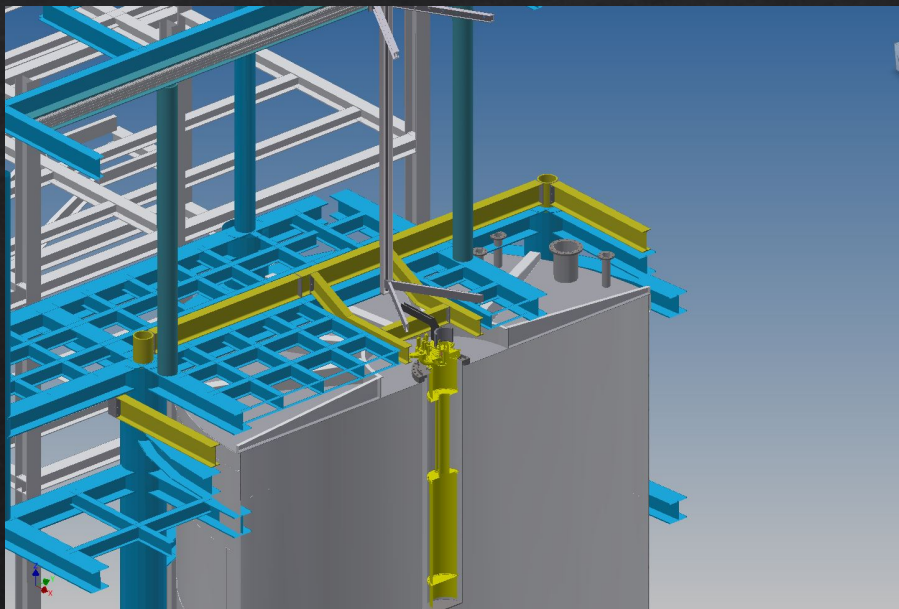
IT infrastructure



The experiment



Lifting system



The simulation

Simulation of individual **background sources**:

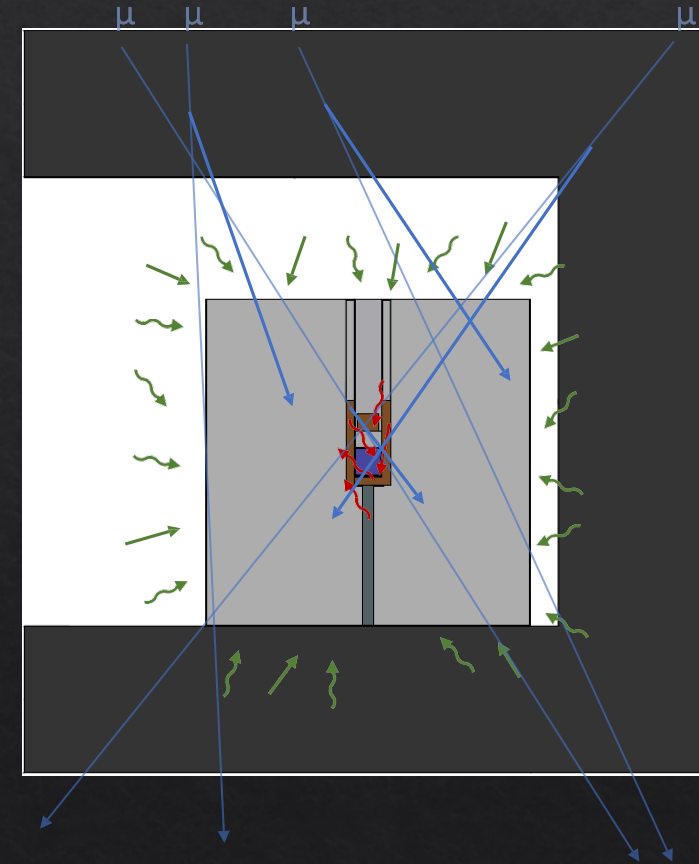
- **Neutrons:** - Cosmogenic (muon-induced)
 - Radiogenic (radioactive contaminations in shielding materials)
 - Ambient (flux at laboratory due to rock radioactivity)
- **Gammas:** - Ambient (flux at laboratory due to rock radioactivity)
 - Intrinsic/Radiogenic (radioactive contaminations in shielding materials)

LNGS ambient neutron and gamma fluxes from literature

Intrinsic material contamination levels (steel, H₂O, Cu, Pb, PE) from GERDA, Xenon and CUORE experience

MUSUN + GEANT4 codes

SOURCES4C code

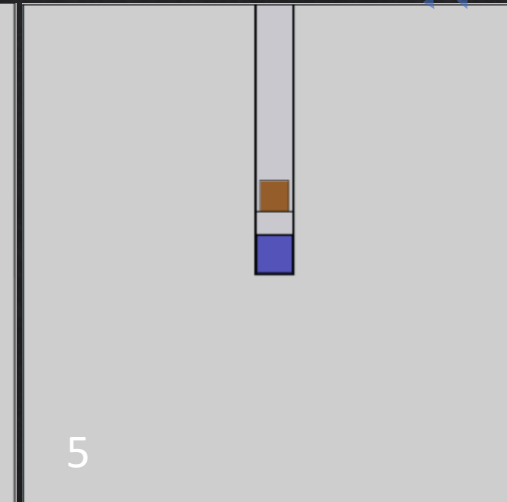
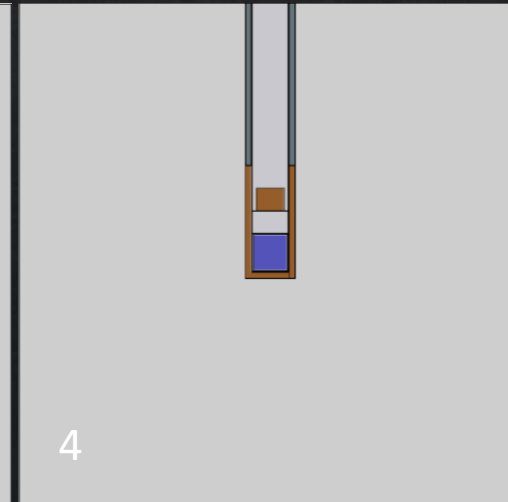
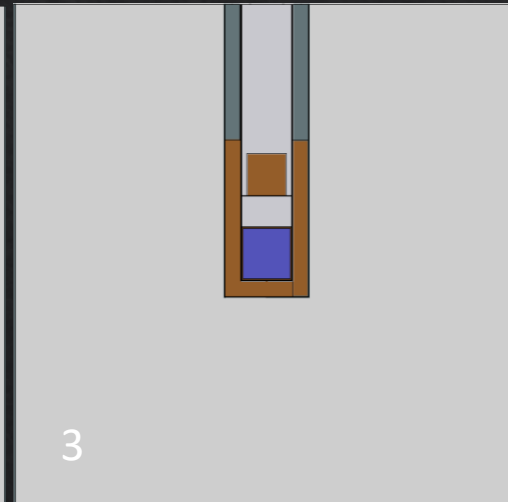
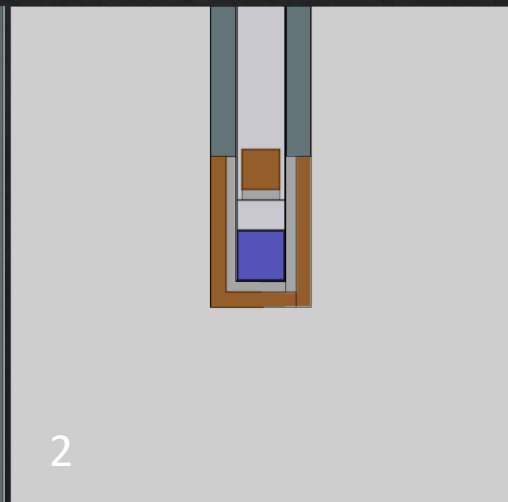
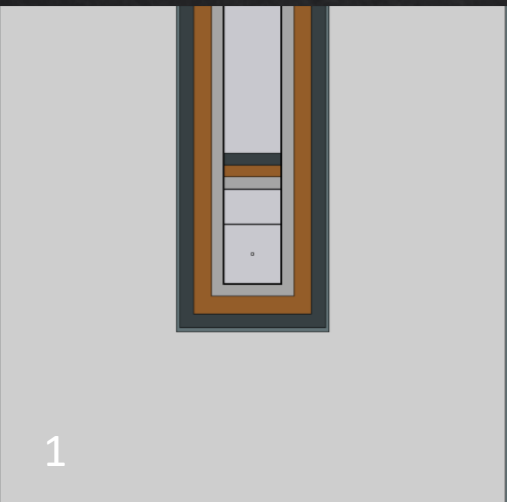
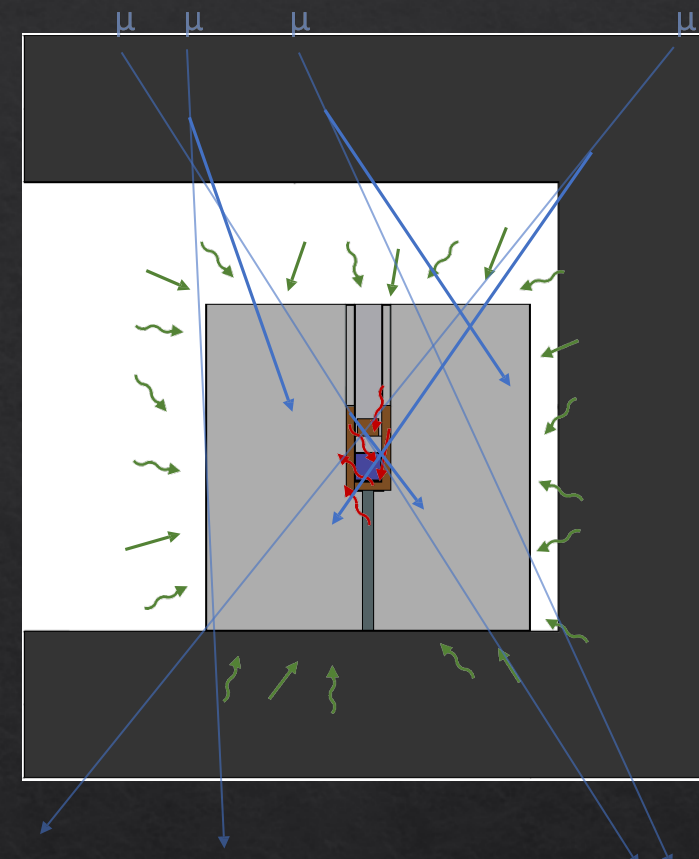




The simulation

- 5 different shielding options considered

| Option | Tank stainless [cm] | Water radius [cm] | Dry-well stainless [cm] | Pb [cm] | Cu [cm] | PE [cm] | Cryostat Cu [cm] | Top shield Pb+Cu+PE [cm] |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 1.5 | 150 | 0.4 | 10 | 15 | 10 | 0.8 | 10+15+10 |
| 2 | 1.5 | 200 | 0.4 | 0 | 15 | 10 | 0.8 | 0+40+10 |
| 3 | 1.5 | 200 | 0.4 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0.8 | 0+40+0 |
| 4 | 1.5 | 300 | 0.4 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0.8 | 0+30+0 |
| 5 | 1.5 | 300 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.8 | 0+40+0 |

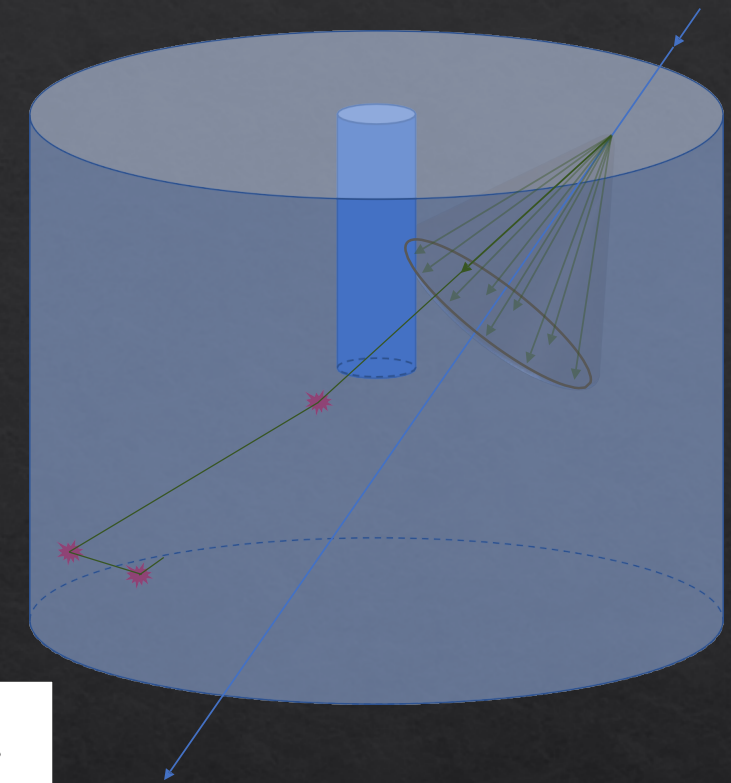
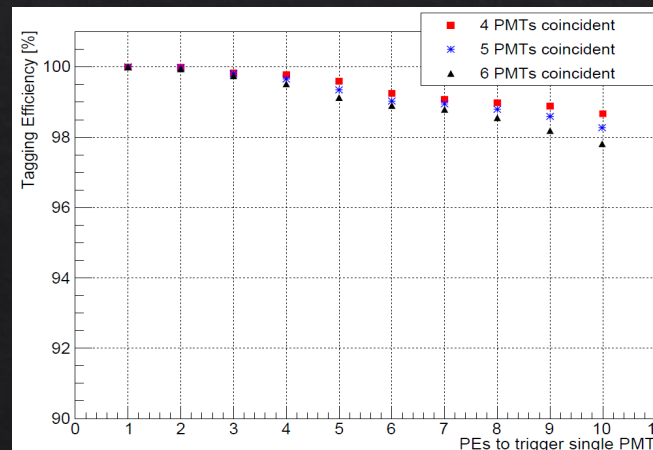
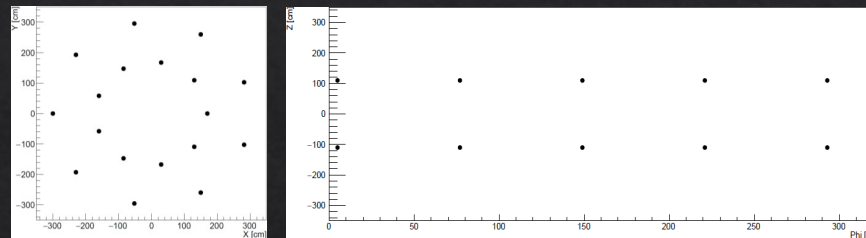
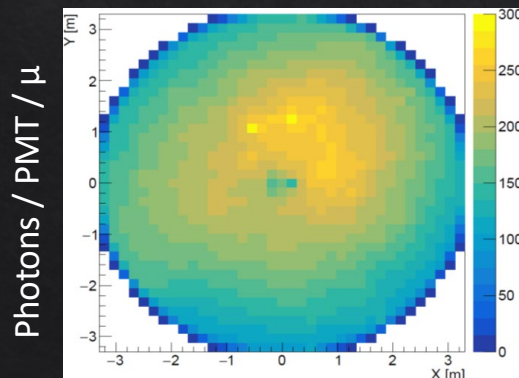
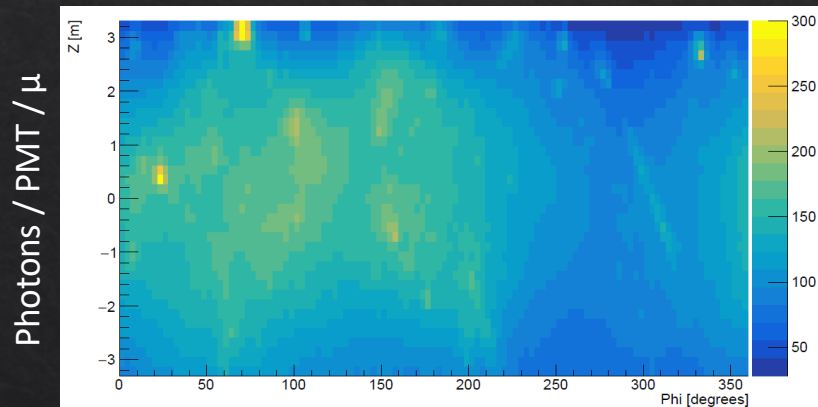




The simulation

Estimate an “optimum” number and arrangement of PMTs in the water tank

- Create photon hit pattern on wall and bottom of water tank
- Estimate tagging efficiency for different PMT arrangements and trigger conditions



Preliminary

18 – 28 PMTs
5-fold PMT coincidence with a trigger on the single photoelectron within a time window of a few 100 ns.