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KM3NeT/ORCA Overview

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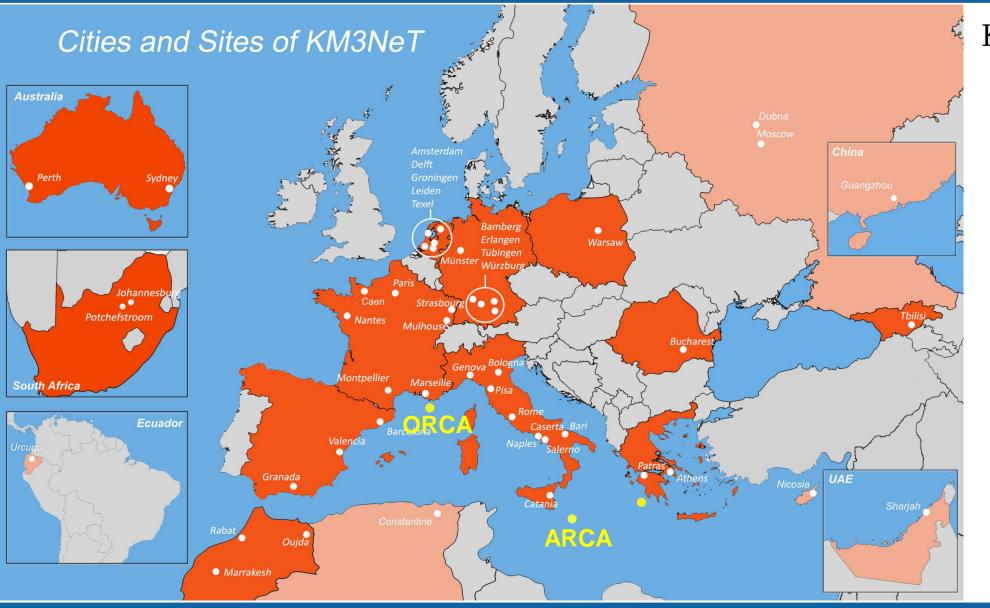
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- ✓ KM3NeT/ORCA: Physics goals
- ✓ Current Status (ORCA6) and first results
- ✓ P2O Proposal
- ✓ Summary and Outlook



- S. Biagi, The KM3NeT neutrino telescopes: status and perspectives, T01, 26/07, 10:45
- D. Lopez-Coto, Dark Matter Searches with the ANTARES and KM3NeT Neutrino Telescopes, T03, 28/07, 10:50

KM3NeT: Distributed Deep Sea Research Infrastructure



KM3NeT sites:

KM3NeT-Fr (ORCA) KM3NeT-It (ARCA) KM3NeT-Gr

Collaboration (Summer 2021):

57 Groups

47 Cities

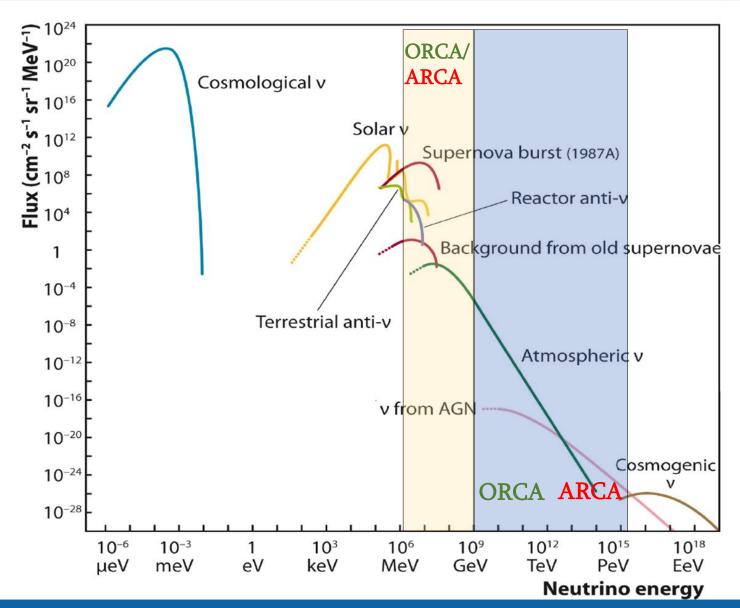
17 Countries

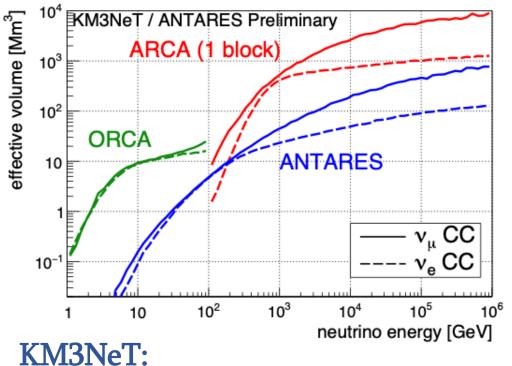
2 Large Cherenkov detectors:

ARCA and ORCA

1 Technology

KM3NeT: Neutrino Energy Range





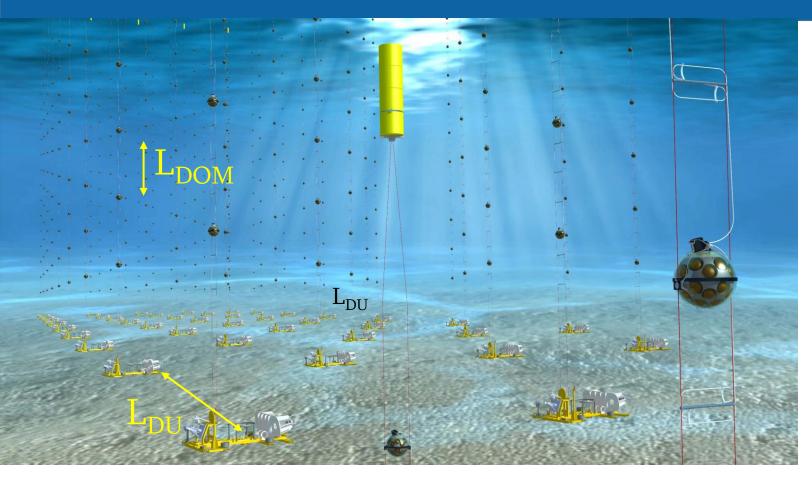
- neutrino energy range: MeV - PeV reconstruction of neutrinos:

above few GeV

ORCA:

Oscillation Research with Cosmics in Abyss

KM3NeT: Cherenkov Detector(s) in the Deep-Sea



KM3NeT Detector(s):

3D grid of photo-sensors for detecting Cherenkov Photons.

PMT: 3" Hamamatsu, R12199-02

Digital Optical Module(DOM) 31 PMT, sensors for calibration (time, position and orientation)

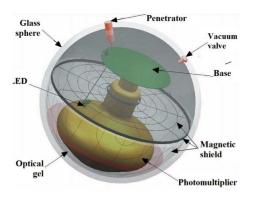
Detection Unit (DU): 18 DOMs

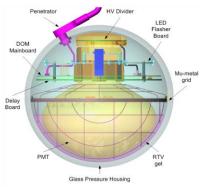
Building Block (BB): 115 DU

ORCA: 1 BB, $L_{DOM} = 9m$, $L_{DU} = 20m$, $M_{ORCA} = 7$ Mton

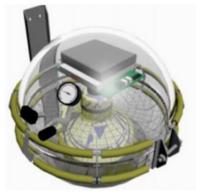
ARCA: 2 BB, L_{DOM} =36m, L_{DU} =90m, M_{ARCA} =2x0.5 Gton

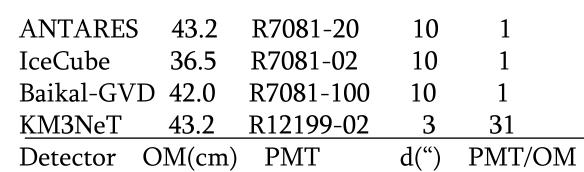
KM3NeT Innovations: MultiPMT DOM and LOM







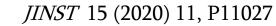




KM3NeT Multi-PMT DOM: large sensitive (photo-cathode) area; improved photon counting; reduced noise; time coincidence for the deep-sea optical background (⁴⁰K, bioluminescence) rejection; direction sensitivity.

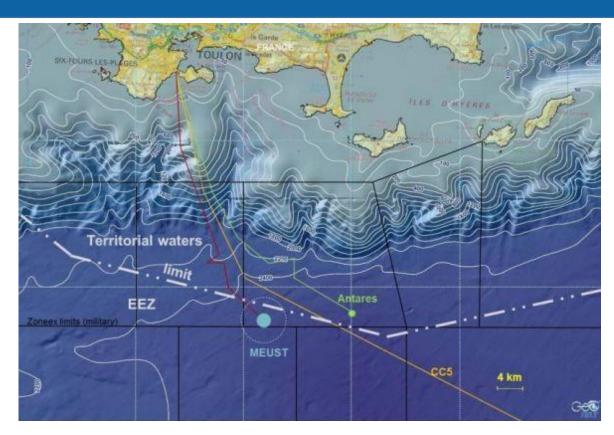
KM3NeT Launcher of Optical Modules (LOM)*



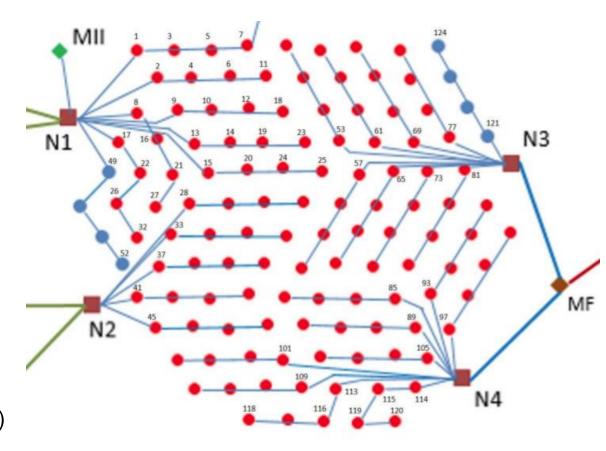




ORCA at KM3NeT-Fr

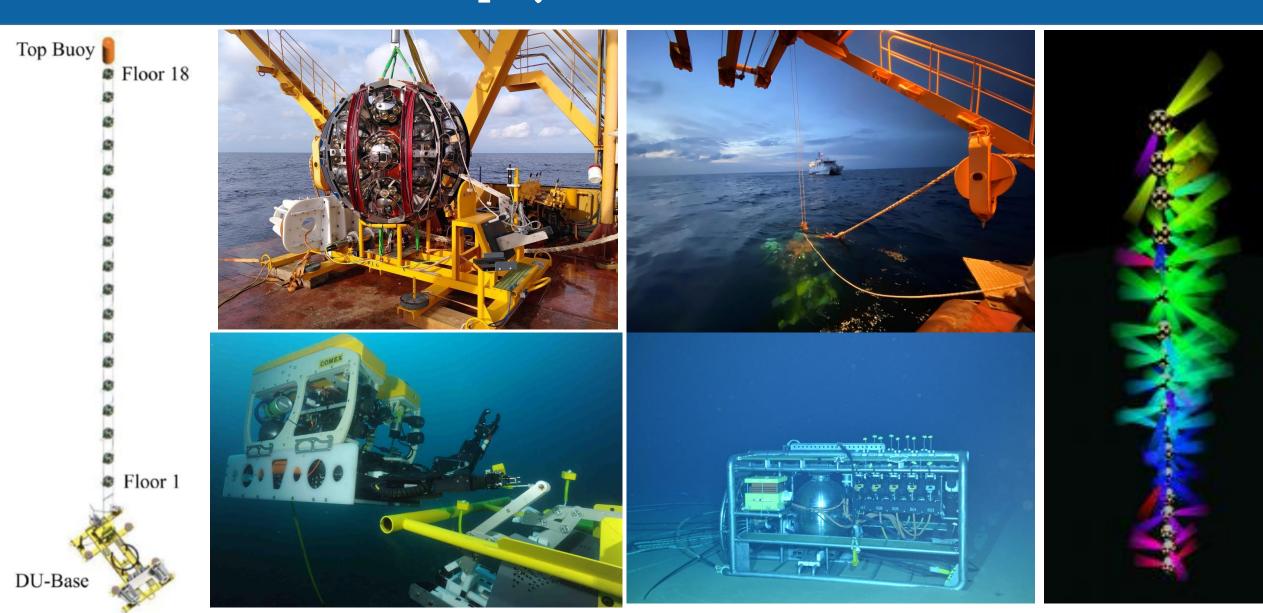


The KM3NeT-Fr deep sea installation (42°48'N 06°02'E) about 40 km off-shore Toulon, at a depth of about 2450 m. About 10 km west of the ANTARES (predecessor of KM3NeT) at Mediterranean Eurocentre for Underwater Sciences and Technologies (MEUST).



The KM3NeT/ORCA DU seabed positions.

KM3NeT/ORCA DU Deployment



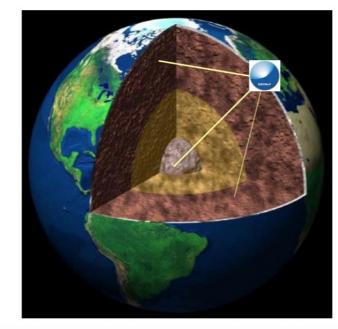
KM3NeT/ORCA: Physics Goals

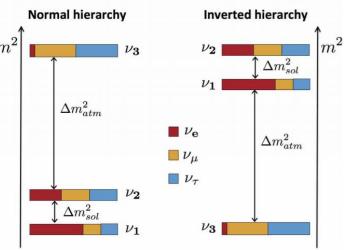
- Neutrino oscillations and neutrino mass ordering (NMO)
- > Search for the sterile neutrinos and NSI

Neutrino oscillation tomography of the Earth

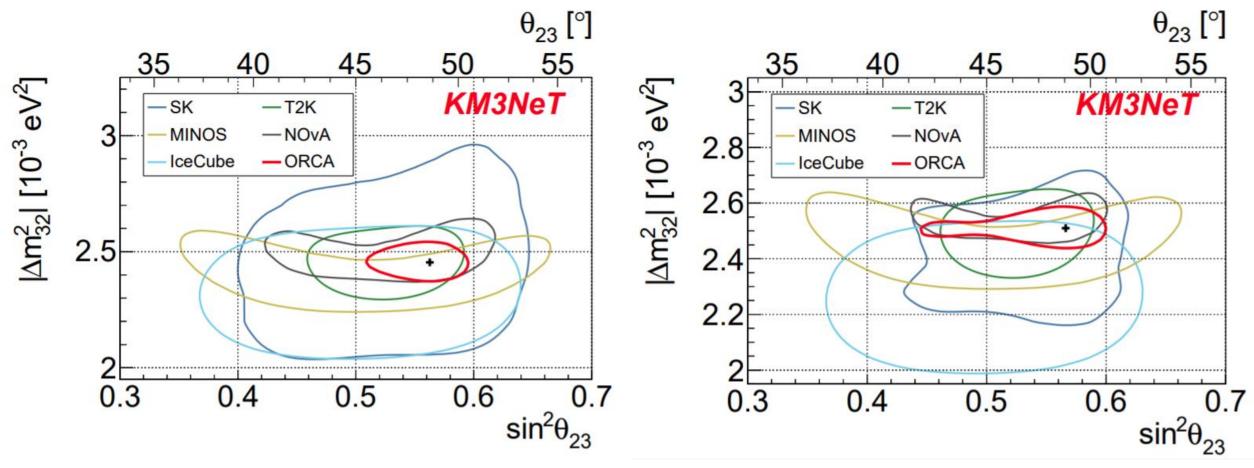
Observation of next core collapse supernova burst

Multi-messenger observations with neutrinos





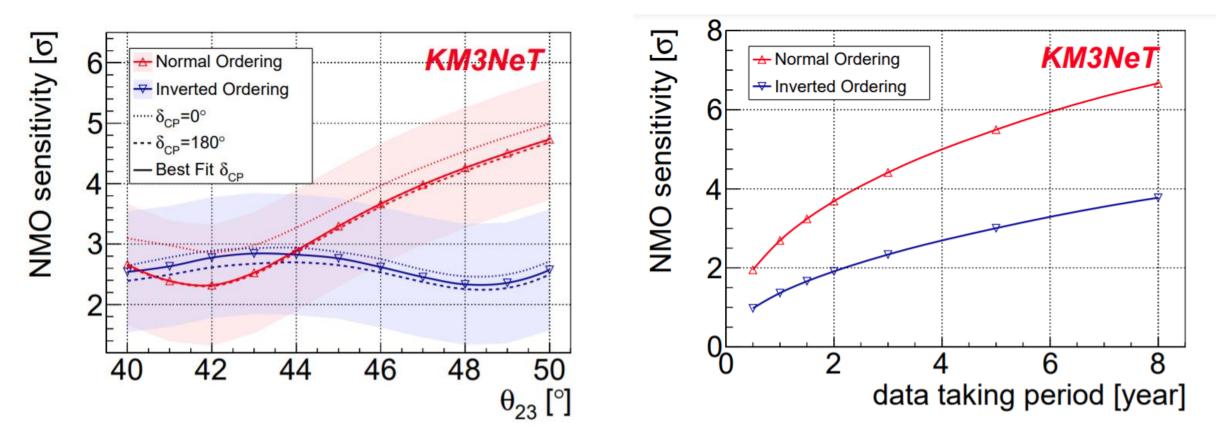
KM3NeT/ORCA: Oscillations



Expected measurement precision of Δm^2_{32} and θ_{23} for both NO (left) and IO (right) after 3 years of data taking at 90% confidence level (red) overlaid with results from other experiments.

arXiv: 2103.09885, submitted to EPJ

KM3NeT/ORCA: Neutrino Mass Ordering (NMO)

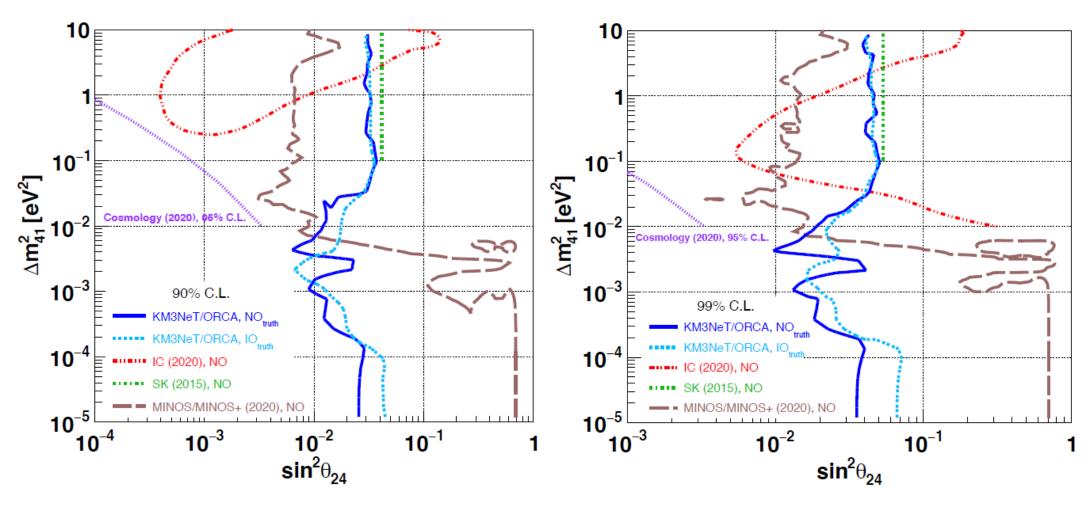


Sensitivity to NMO after 3 years of data taking, as a function of the true θ_{23} value, for NO and IO (right)

Sensitivity to NMO as a function of data taking time for both NO and IO (right).

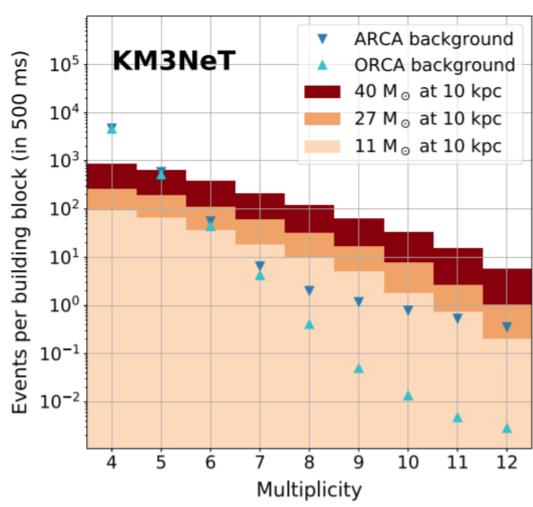
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ORCA: Search for Sterile Neutrinos

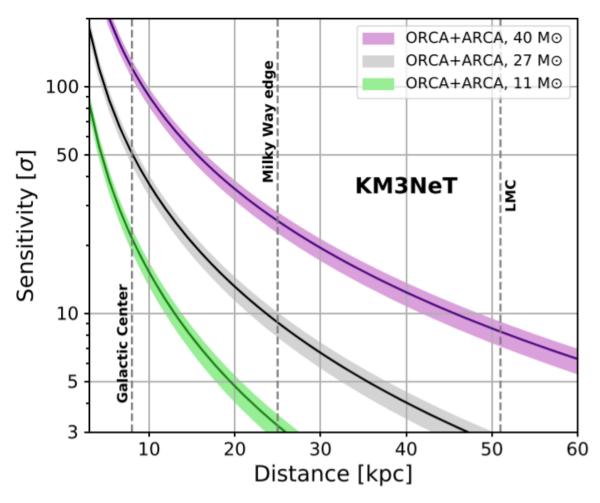


The 90% (left) and 99% C.L. (right) KM3NeT/ORCA sensitivity to the mixing parameter Θ_{24} , assuming 3 years of data taking. The excluded region is the one on the right of the lines.

Potential for the Next CCSN Observation with Neutrinos



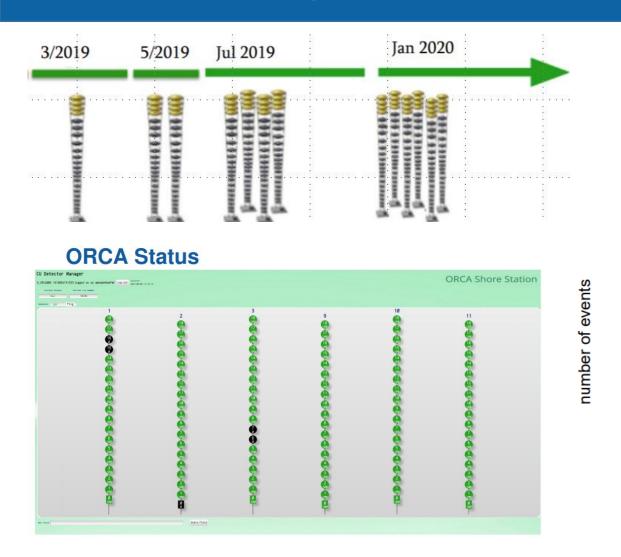
Expected events in a KM3NeT BB as a function of the multiplicity in KM3NeT/DOM.



KM3NeT detection sensitivity as a function of the distance to the CCSN.

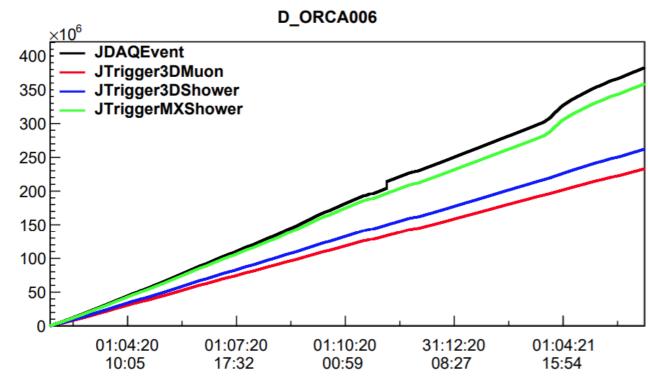
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Current Configuration: ORCA6



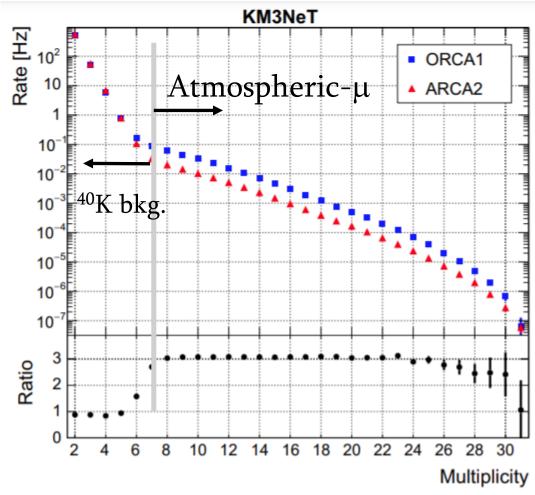
Since 27 January 2020, the ORCA detector is taking data with 6 DUs.

(First phase KM3NeT/ORCA is completed)

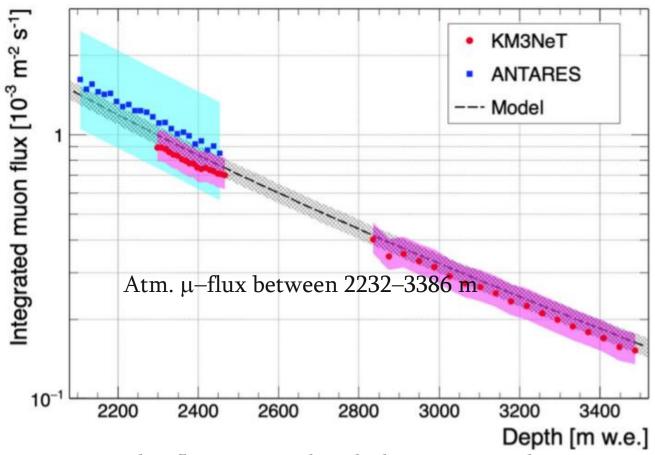


Data events (triggers) collected with ORCA6 detector

Muon Flux in the Deep-Sea



DOM coincidence rates as a function of the multiplicity for the ORCA1 and ARCA2 detectors averaged over all the DOMs .

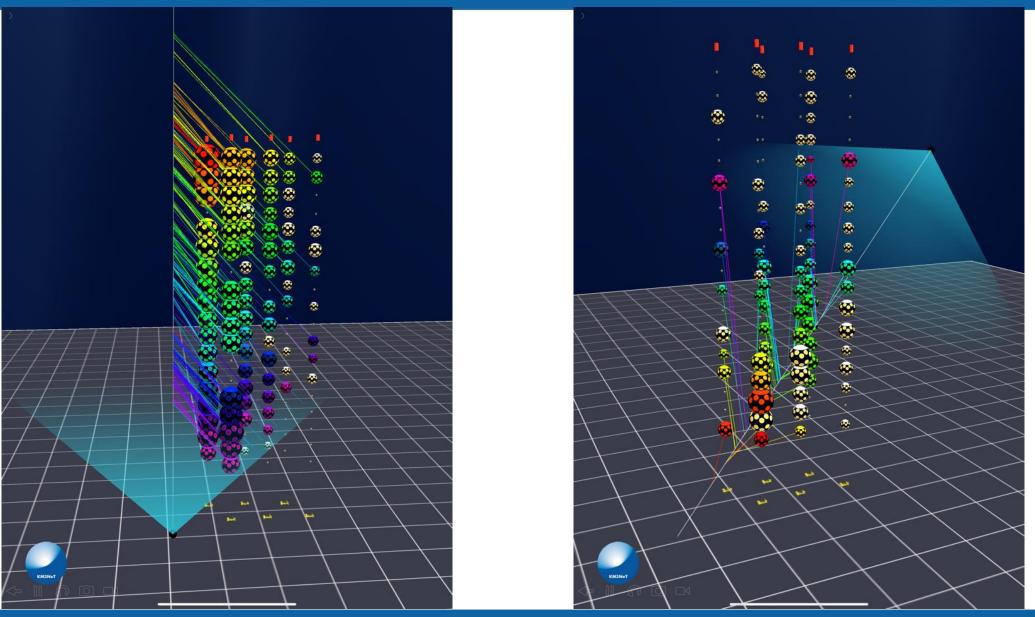


Integrated μ -flux measured with the ORCA1 and ARCA2 as a function of depth netween 2232-3386m.

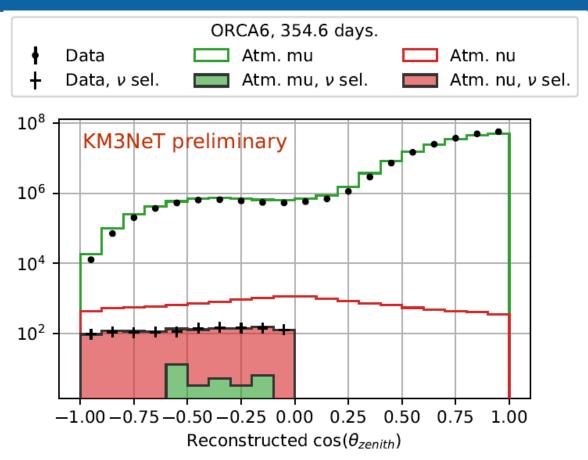
Dashed line – the model by Bugaev.

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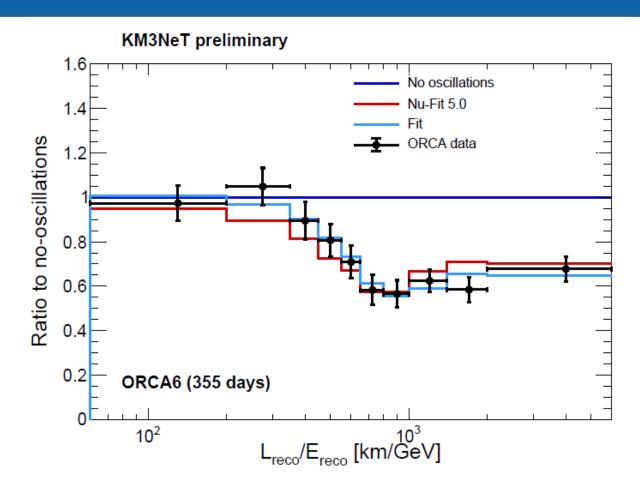
ORCA6: Muon and Neutrino Events



ORCA6: Neutrino Data and Observation of Oscillations

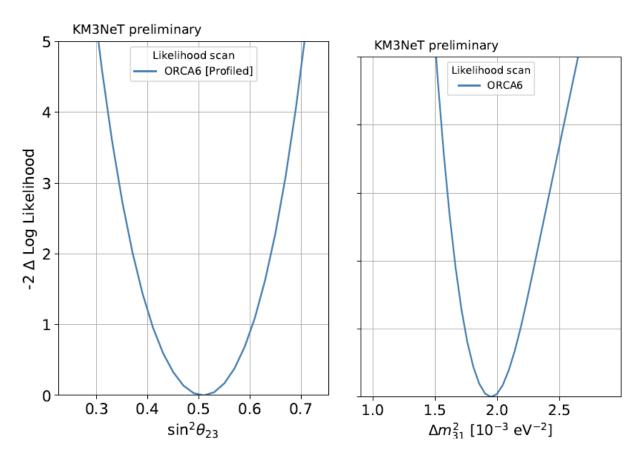


Distribution of the selected data and MC sets. The transparent and the opaque distributions are before and after applying the cuts.

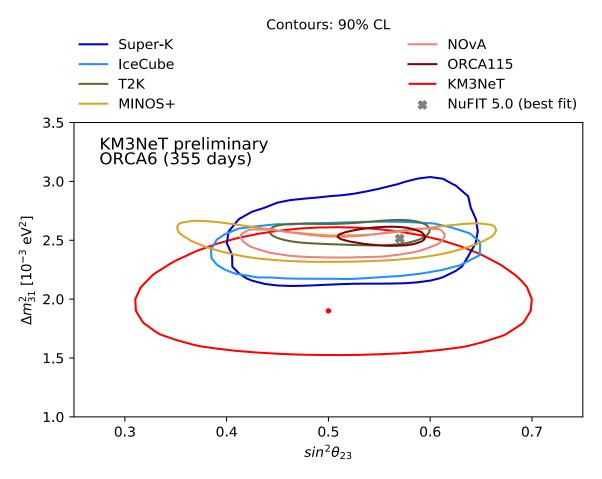


L/E distribution for the ORCA6 and expected number of events relative to the "no oscillation" hypothesis.

ORCA6 Oscillations: Preliminary Results



The profiled likelihood scan of $\sin^2\Theta_{23}$ (left) and $\mathrm{m^2}_{31}$ (right).

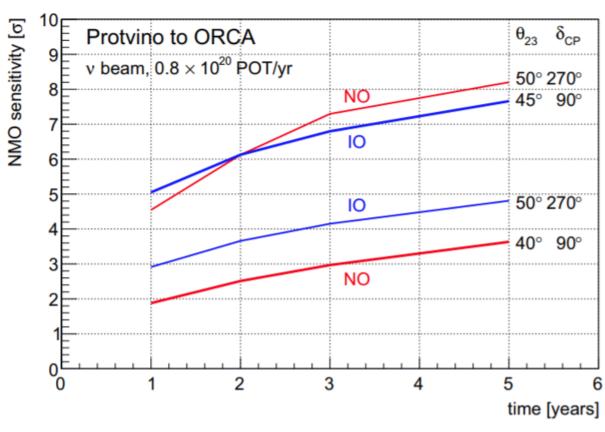


90% CL contour on the oscillation parameters $\sin^2\Theta_{23}$ and m^2_{31} obtained from the ORCA6 data.

P2O: Protvino to ORCA



Neutrino beam from Protvino to ORCA. The path length is \approx 2595 km and the deepest point is 135 km below sea level, in the upper mantle



Sensitivity of P2O as a function of the accumulated exposure time with the 90 kW beam. For NO and IO the most and the least favorable scenarios are shown.

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Sumary and Outlook

✓ KM3NeT – a distributed research infrastructure with the neutrino detectors ARCA and ORCA is under construction in the Mediterranean sea.

- ✓ KM3NeT/ORCA (Oscillation Research with Cosmics in Abyss) is a detector to measure neutrino oscillations and neutrino mass ordering (NMO) with the atmospheric neutrinos.
- ✓ KM3NeT/ORCA is currently taking data with 6 DUs. Preliminary results on oscillation parameters are obtained with the ORCA6 data.
- ✓ Final KM3NeT/ORCA configuration with 115 DUs is expected for 2025.