Double Chooz Near Detector Commissioning

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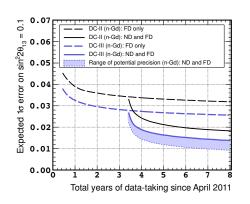




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Double Chooz Sensitivity on θ_{13}



- At the end of Far-only stage: $\delta(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sim 0.030$
- With 6 months of Near+Far: $\delta(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sim 0.015$
- Ultimately (\sim 2017): $\delta(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sim 0.010$

Double Chooz Detectors Baselines



Detector	Chooz B1	Chooz B2	Overburden [m.w.e.]
Far	1114.6 m	988.1 m	300
Near	466 m	351 m	120

Near Lab/Detector Time-line



Tunnel and Lab Cave Digging

April 2011 \sim May 2012



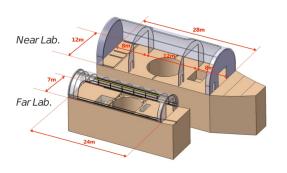
Lab Construction

May 2012 \sim May 2013





Double Chooz Near and Far Labs





- Larger lab divided into three sections (clean rooms)
 - Parallel work during detector construction
- Larger pit to afford a one meter thick water shield

Double Chooz Detectors

- - Far Detector - -

Calibration Glove Box Outer veto (OV)

- · Plastic scintillator strip
- Far: 6.4 x 12.8 m²/ Near: 11.0 x 12.8 m²
- Stainless Stell Shield

Neutrino detector

Inner veto (IV, 90 m³ liquid scintillator)

• 78 PMTs (8-inch, Hamamatsu R1408)

Inner detector (ID)

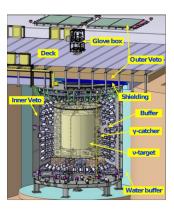
Buffer (110 m³ mineral oil)

• 390 PMTs (10-inch, Hamamatsu R7081MOD)

γ catcher (22.3 m³ liquid scintillator)

v target (10.3 m³ liquid scintillator with Gd)
• Number of protons = (6.738±0.020 x 10²⁹)

- - Near Detector - -



Inner Veto Vessel

June and July 2013









Inner Veto

$\text{August} \sim \text{October 2013}$









Buffer Installation

September \sim November 2013





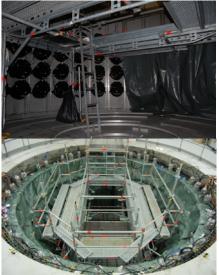




Buffer PMTs: Bottom and Wall

October and November 2013

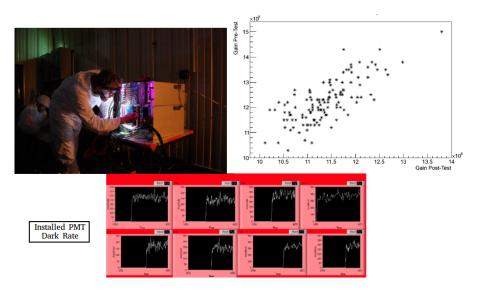




Buffer PMTs: Bottom and Wall



Buffer PMTs Post-Test



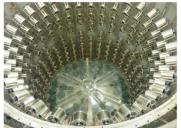
Gamma Catcher

February \sim May 2014

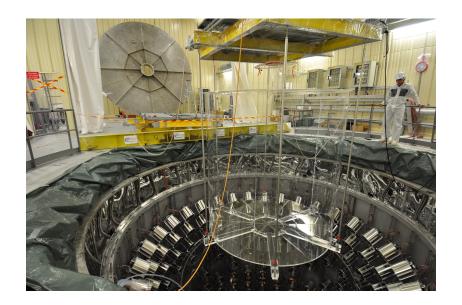




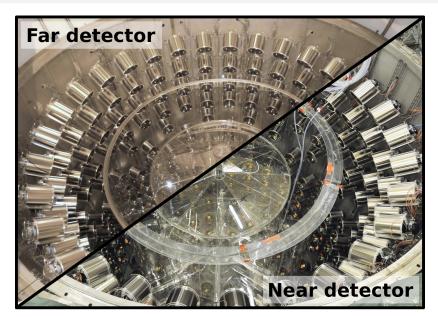




Neutrino Target Integration



Double Chooz Detectors

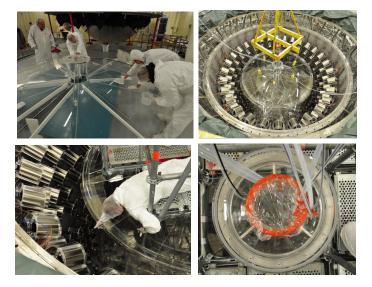


Buffer Lid PMT Installation



Gamma Catcher Lid Gluing

End of April



Closing the Buffer

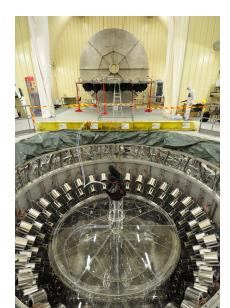


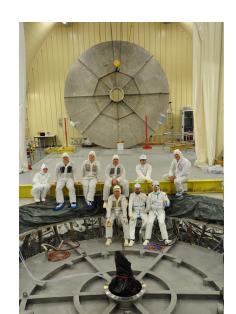






Closing the Buffer





IV top ring and buffer-over PMTs

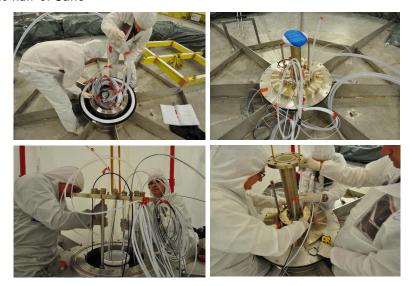
First half of May



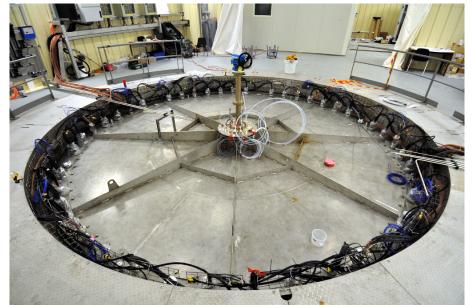


Chimney upper part mounting

First half of June



Closed IV with Chimney



Filling systems installation

June and July 2014



E-hut mounting

First half of June





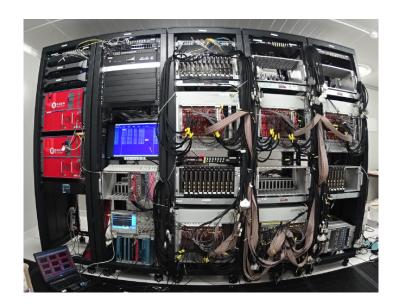


Electronics Mounting at eHut

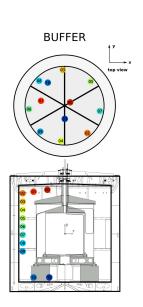
End of July



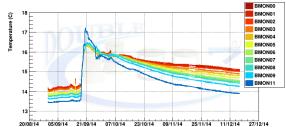
eHut now



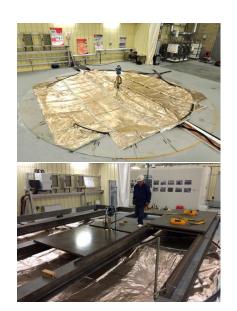
Filling





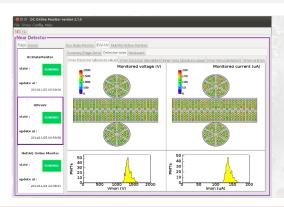


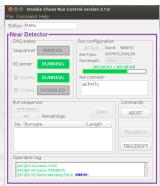
Shielding





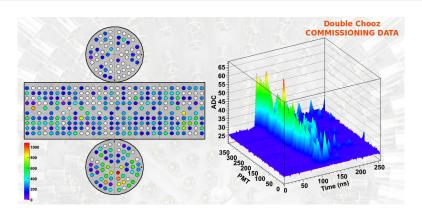
Near Detector Commissioning Status





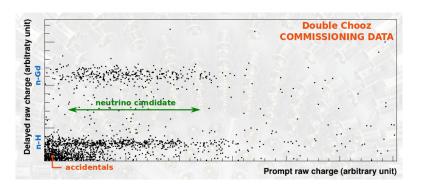
- Detector is alive (ON) and stable for few weeks now
- Start training shifter to handle 2 detectors with new GUIs
- Working on data reduction scheme by DAQ
 - replace waveforms by reduced data for muon events tagged by trigger
- Preparation of an automated data reconstruction

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- First neutrinos candidates were seen!
 - basic selection: muon veto, Δt, isolation window
- Clear and clean IBD signal
 - no calibration + no advanced reconstruction!

Summary

- Double Chooz near detector operational;
- Data taking is expected to start within the next weeks;
- Sensitivity on θ_{13} will reach the 10% level.



Thank you!