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We propose a short period of neutrino and antineutrino running ( $5 \times 10^{17}$  protons) in BEBC filled with 75% Ne/H<sub>2</sub> mixture. The aim of this experiment is to make more precise measurements of the neutrino nucleon structure functions  $F_2$  and  $xF_3$  in the intermediate  $q^2$  region ( $q^2 = 1-10 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) in order to test QCD. Measurements in this region are particularly important in testing QCD, since the characteristics logarithmic variations predicted by the theory are large. Furthermore, sub-asymptotic corrections which affect the interpretation of even the highest available  $q^2$  data should be measured in the region of  $q^2$  where they are largest. This region has not been analyzed at large  $x$  in counter experiments, because of resolution and acceptance problems. BEBC on the other hand has excellent muon resolution and acceptance even at very low energies and is the best available detector

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for low energy neutrino events.

Our request is for a total of  $\sim 5 \times 10^{17}$  protons in a wide band horn focused beam in BEBC filled with a 75% Ne/H<sub>2</sub> mixtures.

Neutrino running

$1.0 \times 10^{17}$  protons corresponding to  $\sim 20,000$  pictures yielding  $\sim 8,500$  cc  $\nu$  events,

Antineutrino running

$4.0 \times 10^{17}$  protons corresponding to  $\sim 90,000$  pictures yielding  $\sim 5,000$  cc  $\bar{\nu}$  events,

assuming 350 GeV protons on target.