

# Future Solar Neutrino Experiments

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- Purpose of the future  
solar neutrino experiments
- Detector developments  
(especially on new efforts)

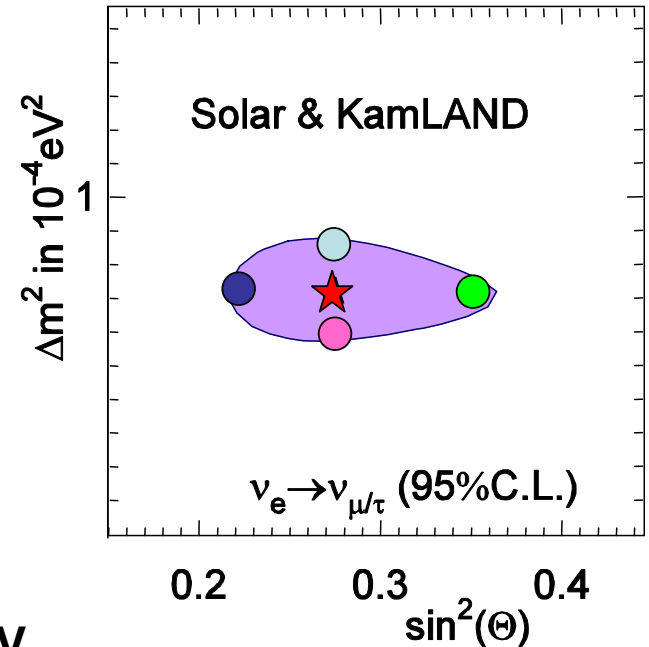
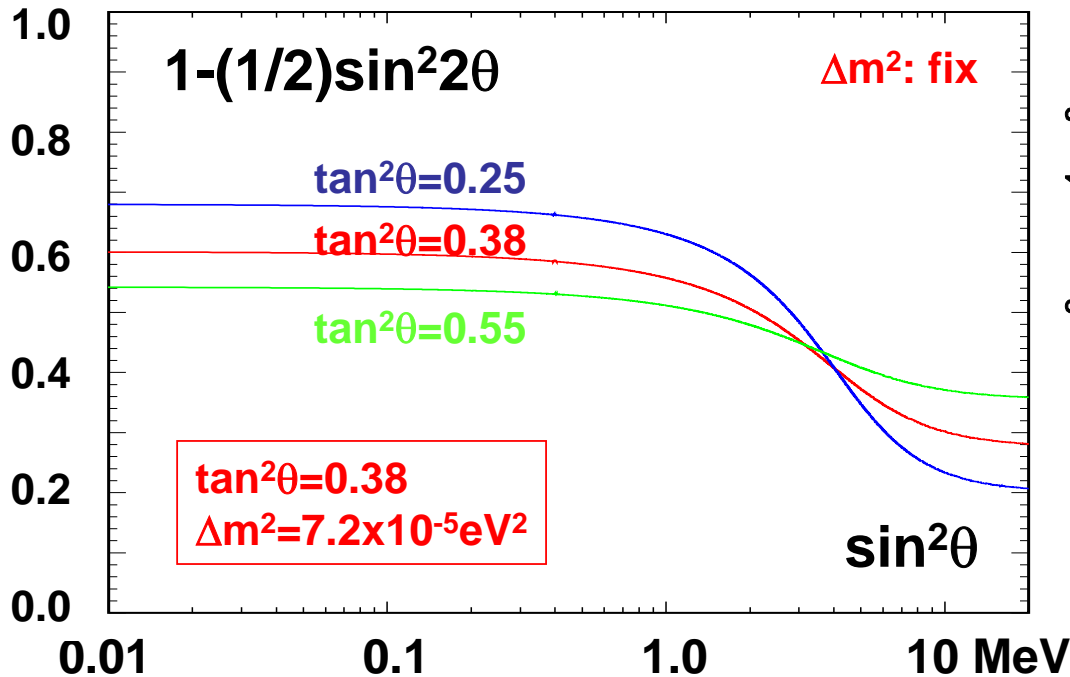
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( $\theta_m \rightarrow \pi/2$ )



**pp &  $^7\text{Be}$ -neutrinos  $\rightarrow$   
~50~70% suppression**

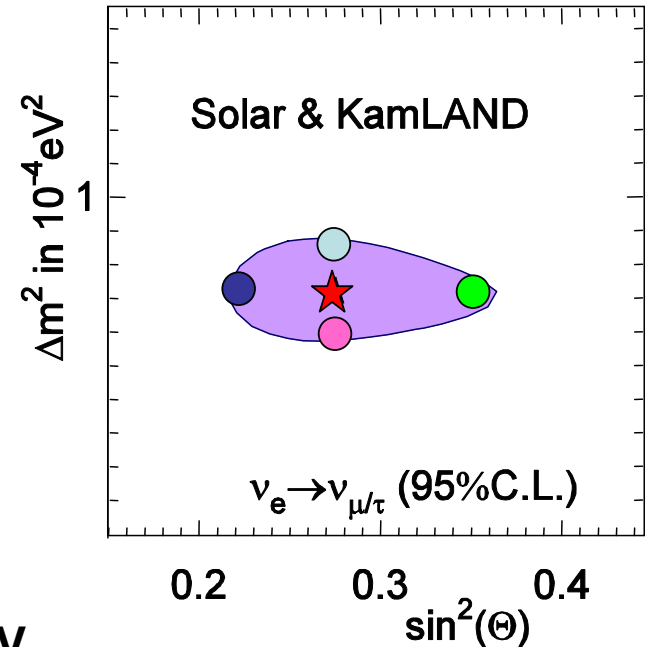
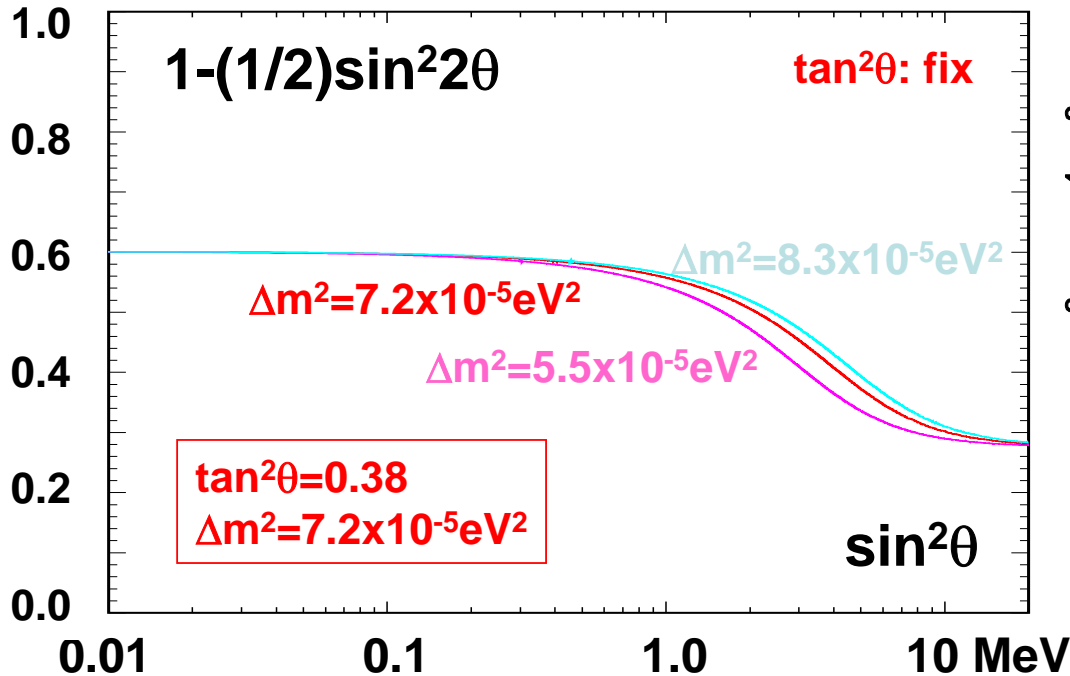
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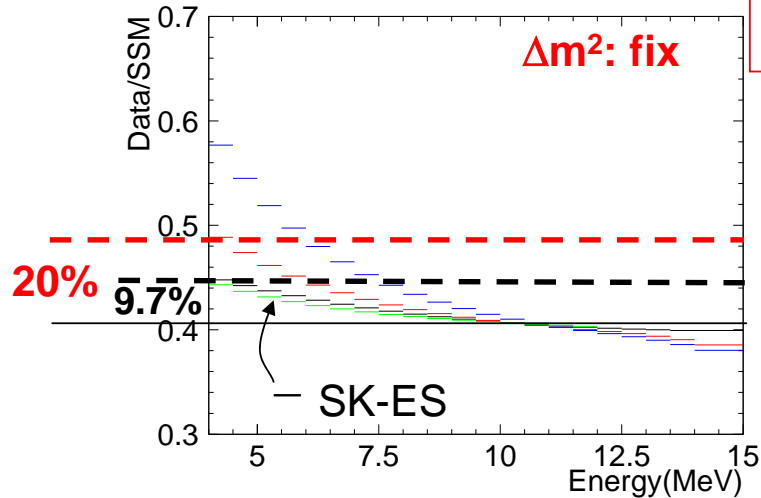
**effect of different  $\Delta m^2 \rightarrow$   
small difference in the upturn**

# Aim of the future solar neutrino experiments

- **Confirmation of LMA**
  - & find small sub-leading effects**
  - **$^8\text{B}$ : low energy upturn & Day/Night effect**
  - **Matter Vacuum transition**
    - **Precise spectrum measurements in low energy**
      - **CI – problem?**
  - **Sterile neutrinos?**
    - **Best by pp neutrinos**
  - **Other sub-leading effects**
    - **Test of CPT (Solar + KamLAND), .....**
- **Precise determination of  $\theta_{12}$  and  $\Delta m_{12}$** 
  - **$^8\text{B}$  (large WC)**
  - **pp-neutrino,  $^7\text{Be}$ (CC+ES)**
- **Astrophysics**
  - **Test of SSM (energy creation, photon luminosity) and....**
  - **Study the interior of the sun and....**

# Expected low energy upturn ( $^8\text{B}$ )

**SNO**



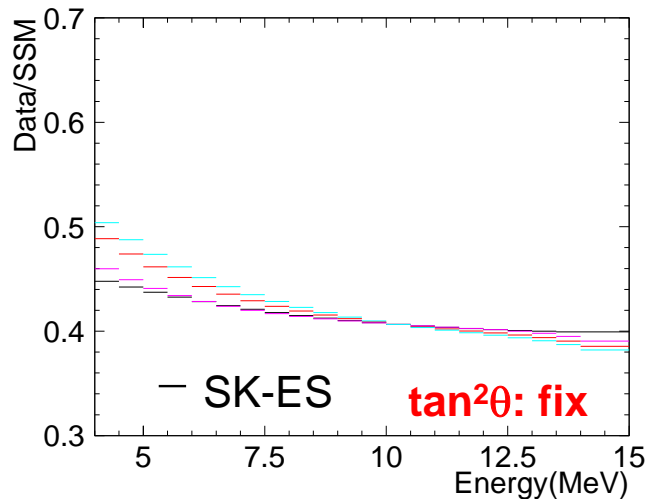
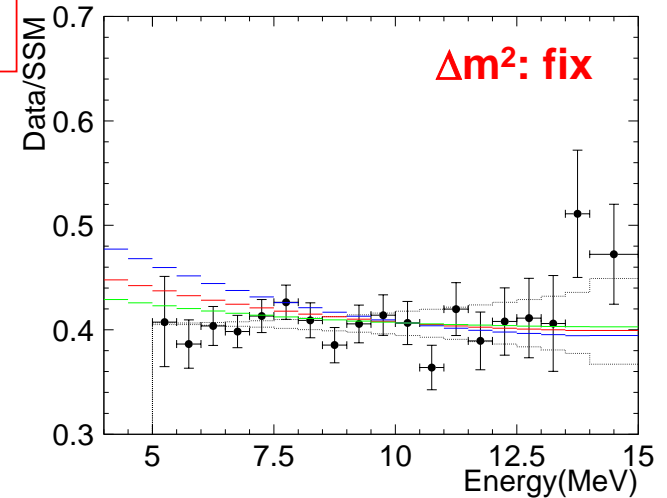
$\tan^2\theta=0.38$   
 $\Delta m^2=7.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$

$\tan^2\theta=0.25$

$\tan^2\theta=0.38$

$\tan^2\theta=0.55$

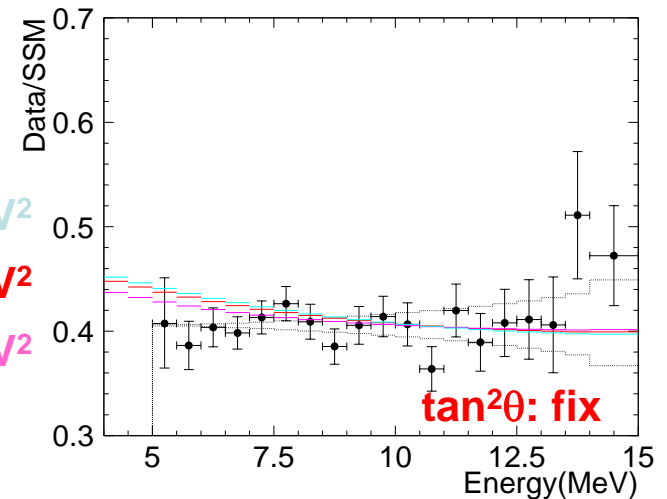
**SK**



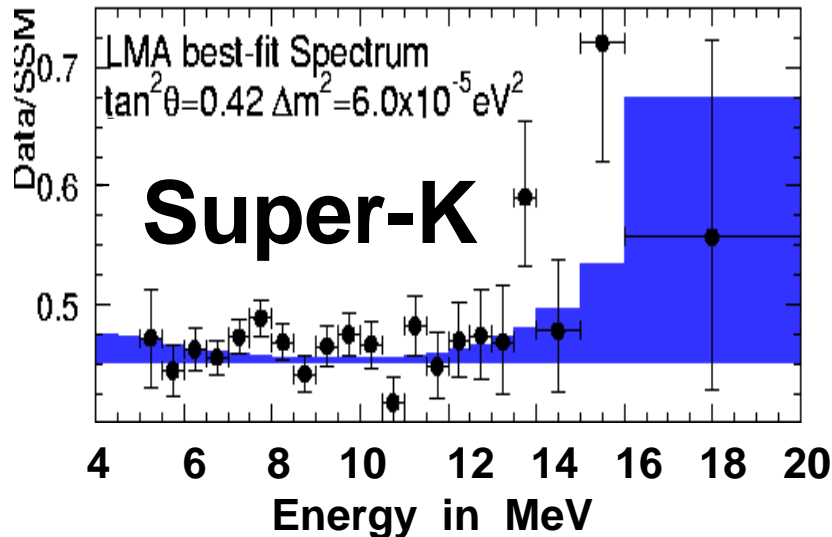
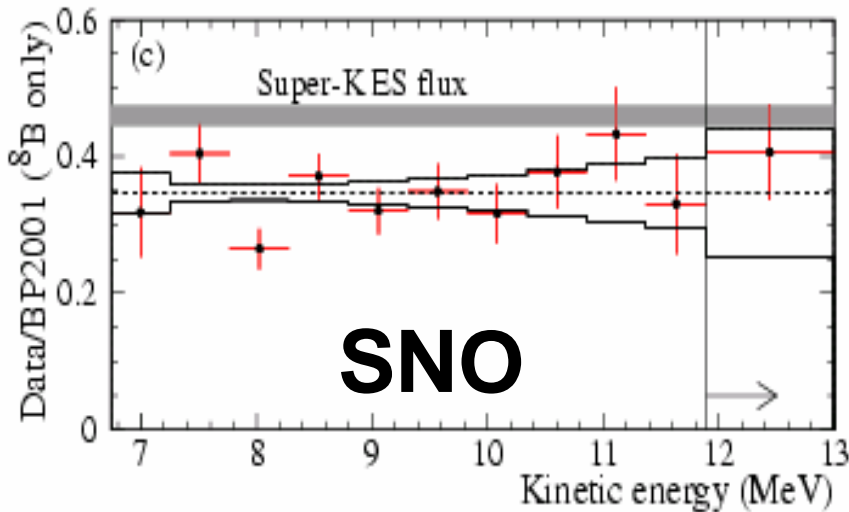
$\Delta m^2=8.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$

$\Delta m^2=7.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$

$\Delta m^2=5.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$



# Measurement by SNO and SK



- Not yet seen either in SK and SNO
  - Limited by the data quality?
  - Larger mixing angle?
  - Something wrong?
  - Something unknown happening?

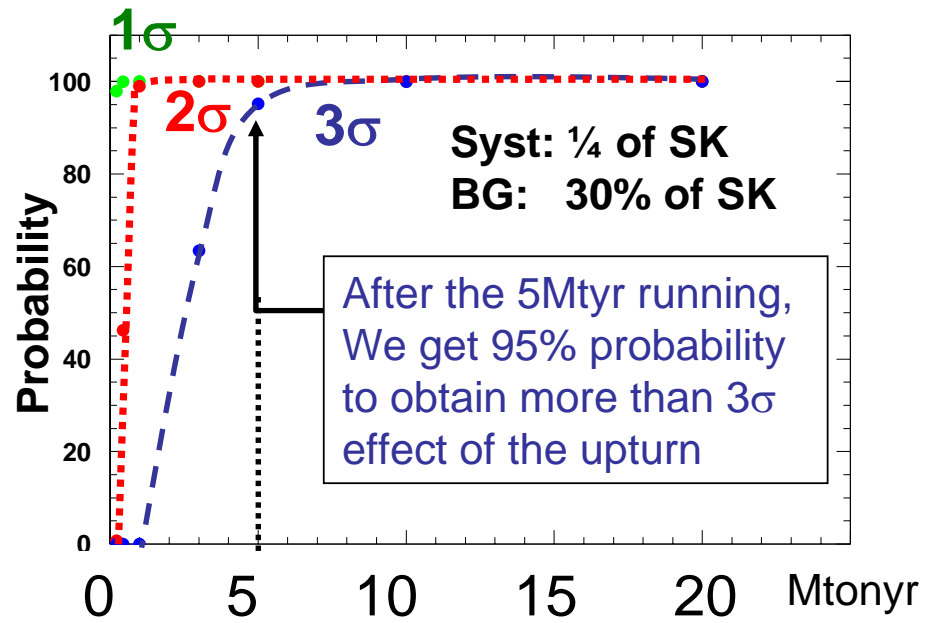
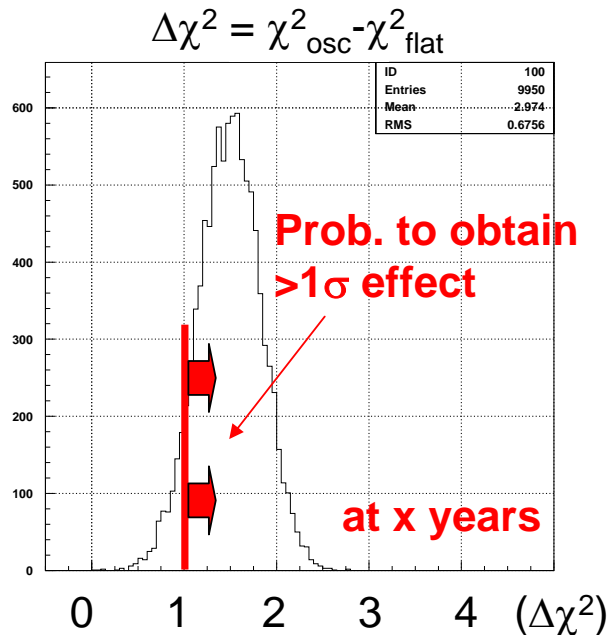
- Spectrum measurement  
**!! Difficult**

- Systematics
  - $\sim 3\%$  (SK;SNO)  $\rightarrow$  may be ok
- Backgrounds
  - should be reduced (SK)
  - correlation (SNO)
- Statistically limited
  - Need longer run

$\rightarrow$  A larger detector with lower BG is needed

# Future large WC detector

- The Megaton scale detector can be made by the Water Cherenkov technique.
  - (may be the only possibility in practice)
- Test with
  - Syst.  $\rightarrow$  ala SK,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of SK,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SK
  - BG  $\rightarrow$  ala SK, 30% of SK, 15% of SK

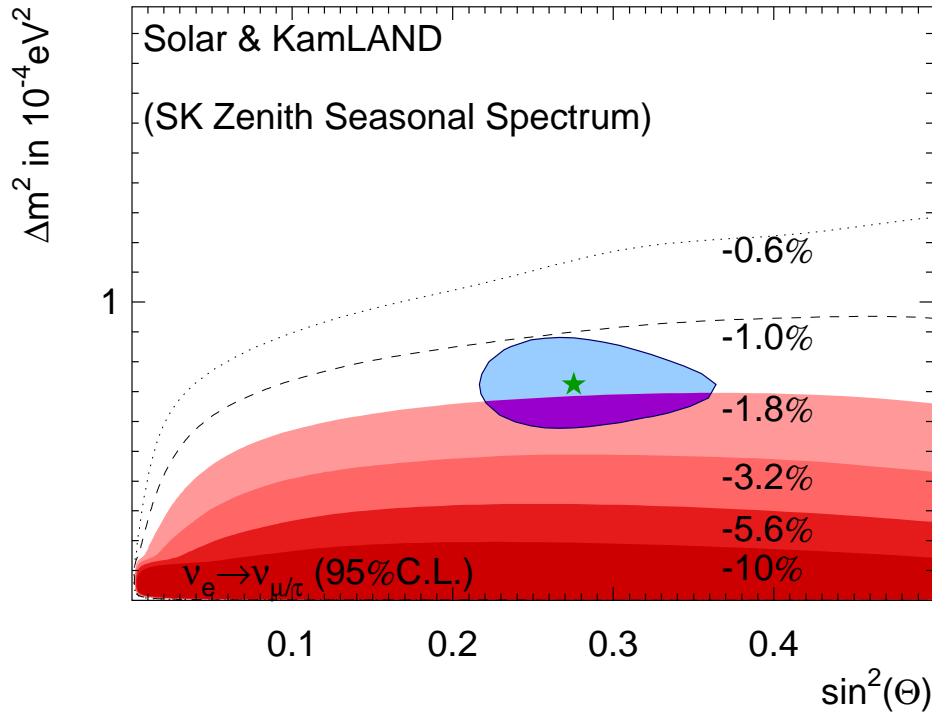


# $^8\text{B}$ -- Day-Night effect

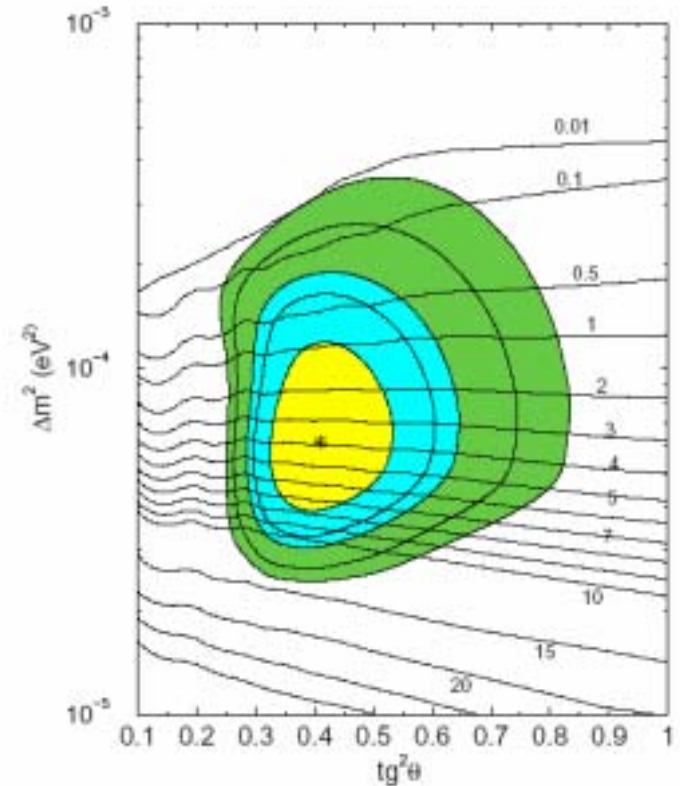
- Not yet convincingly seen either in **SK** nor **SNO**

**~1~3% effect**

**~2~6% effect**



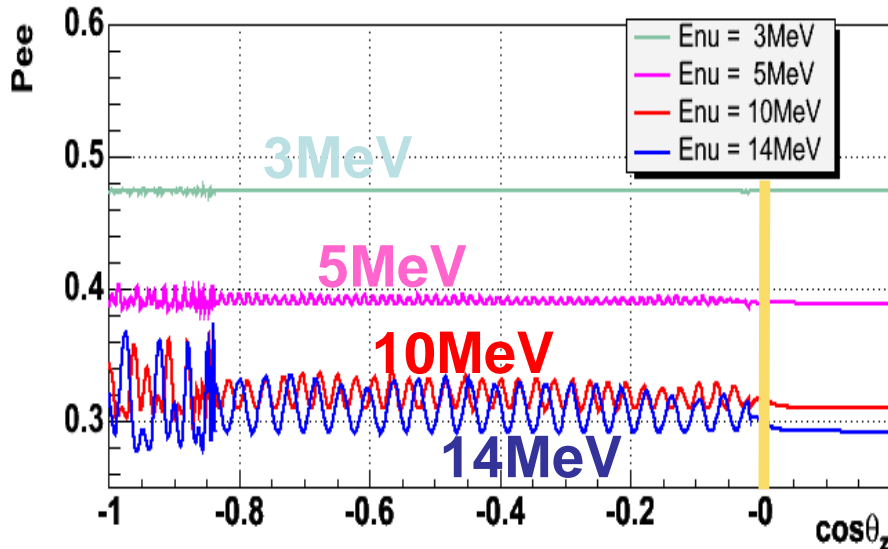
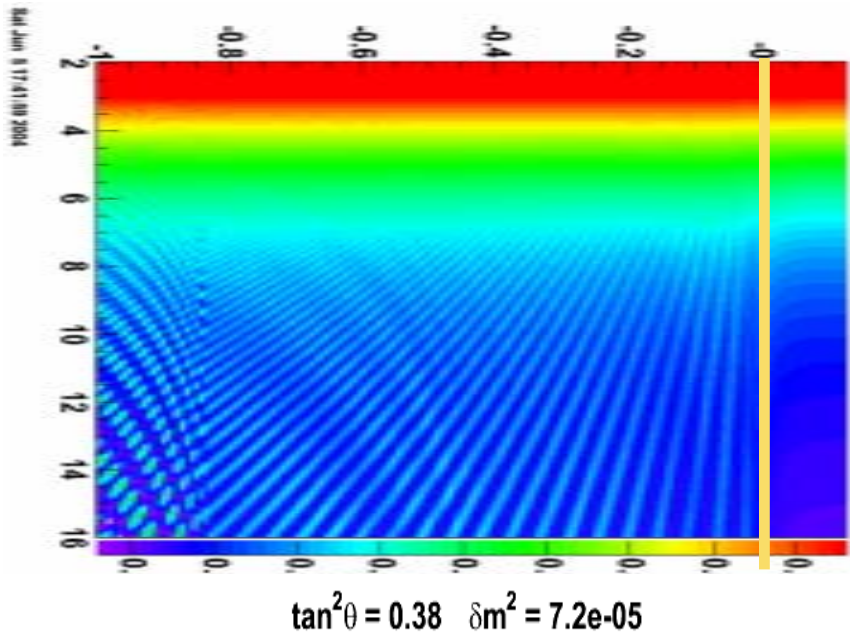
$$-0.018 \pm 0.016^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$$



$$-0.07 \pm 0.049^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$$

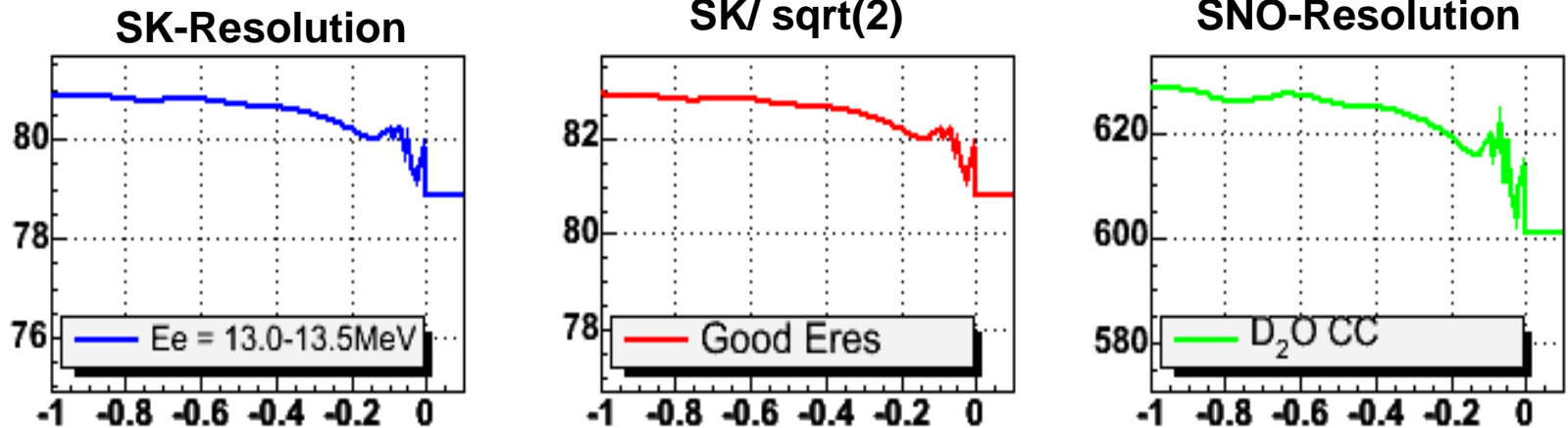


# Day-Night Sensitivity



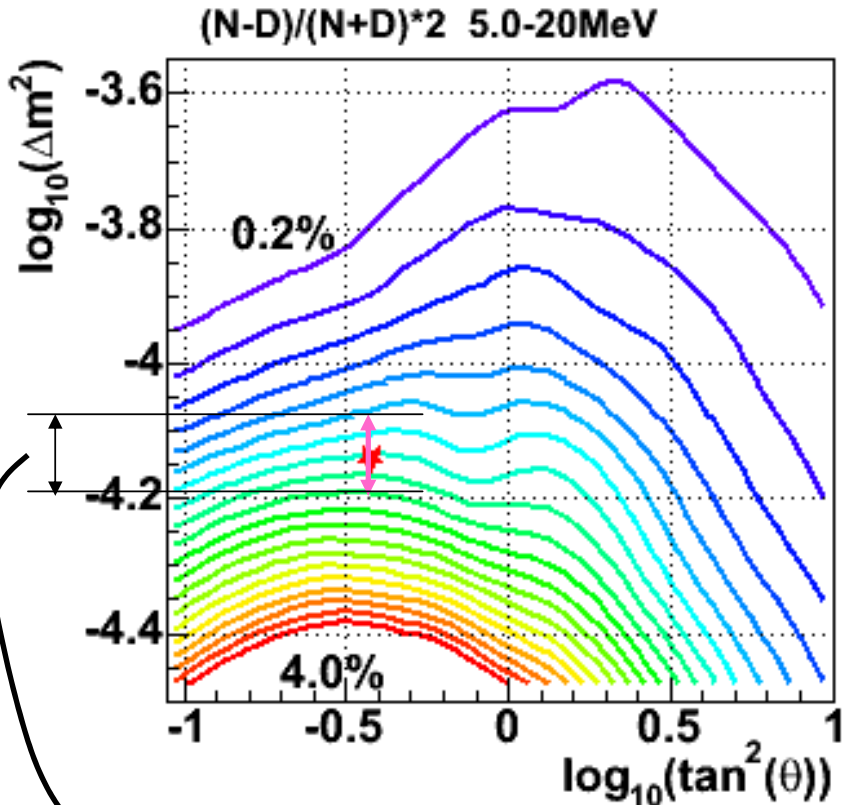
- Prominent at the high energy region and though core
- Possible to measure those structures ?
- ES events smears out the effect by kinematics
- CC events should have better sensitivity

# Energy Slice ( $E_e^{\text{observed}} = 13-13.5 \text{ MeV}$ )



- Further, energy resolution smearing
  - Not only for ES but CC
  - Fine structure around the core washed out
  - Fine structure near the surface partially remains due to a phase matching in a certain energy range
    - Effect  $\rightarrow$  1-2% for ES and 2-3% for CC
    - But need  $\Delta\cos\theta=0.01$  binning to see the effect
    - For example, need 10 – 20 Mtyr (ES) to see this fine structure

# Large WC



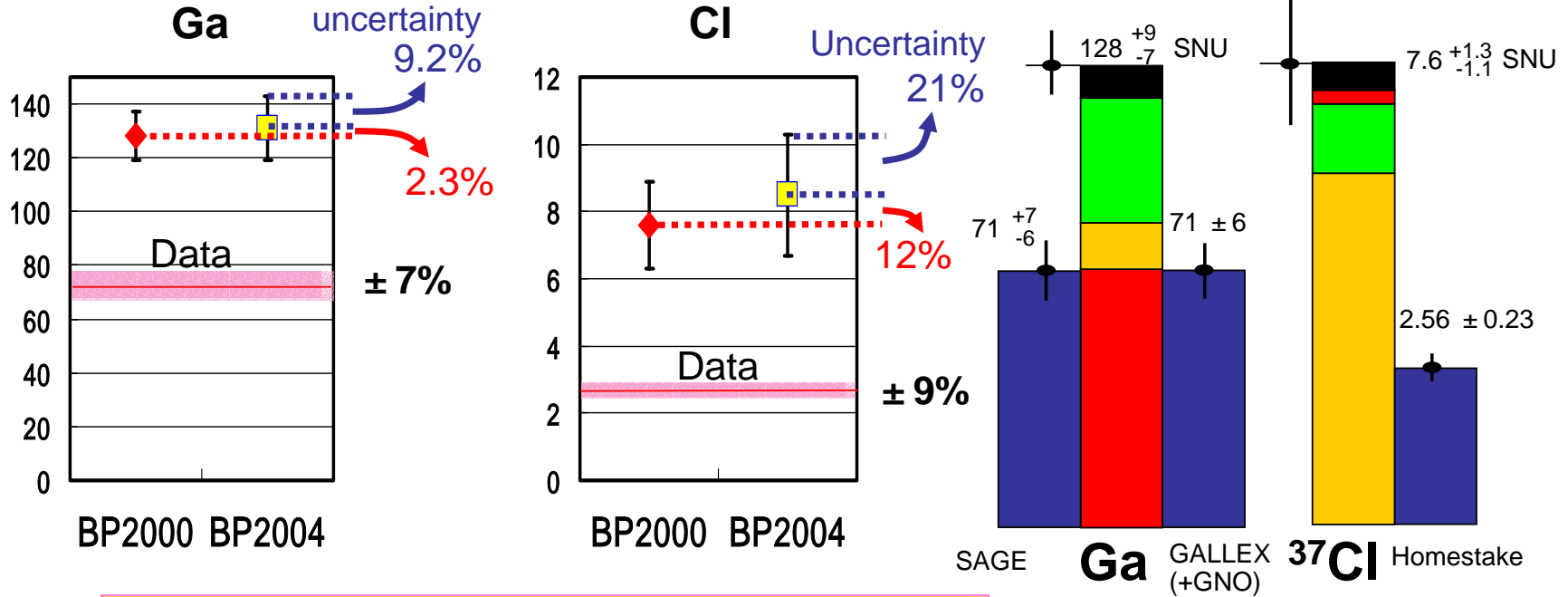
$\Delta m^2 \sim 7.2^{+1.6}_{-0.6} \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$

- Simple D/N ratio is most effective, even for large WC
- Ultimate sensitivity ← systematics
- Large WC ES: suppose ~0.4% (sys) → 4~5 $\sigma$  effect
- Super-SNO(?) can do much better

# Sub-MeV solar neutrinos

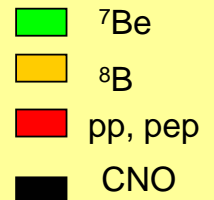
(Vac-Matter transition)

So far measurements are only for the integrated flux



$\Delta\phi(\text{pp-}\nu) \rightarrow 1\%$  uncertainty and robust  
 $\text{pp-}\nu \rightarrow$  a precise (2~3 % level) study  
 ${}^7\text{Be-}\nu$  ( $\Delta\phi({}^7\text{Be})=12\%$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  need both ES and CC

Theory



Experiments

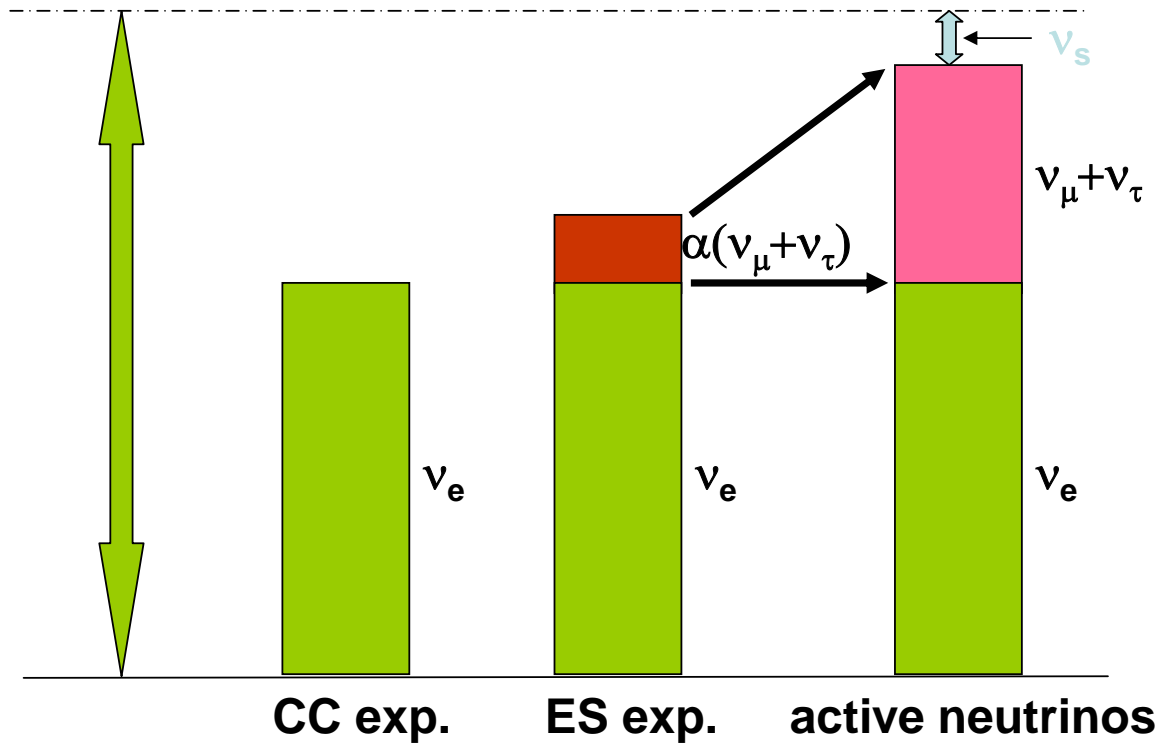


# Direct search for sterile neutrinos

Charged Current(CC) →  $\nu_e$  flux measurement

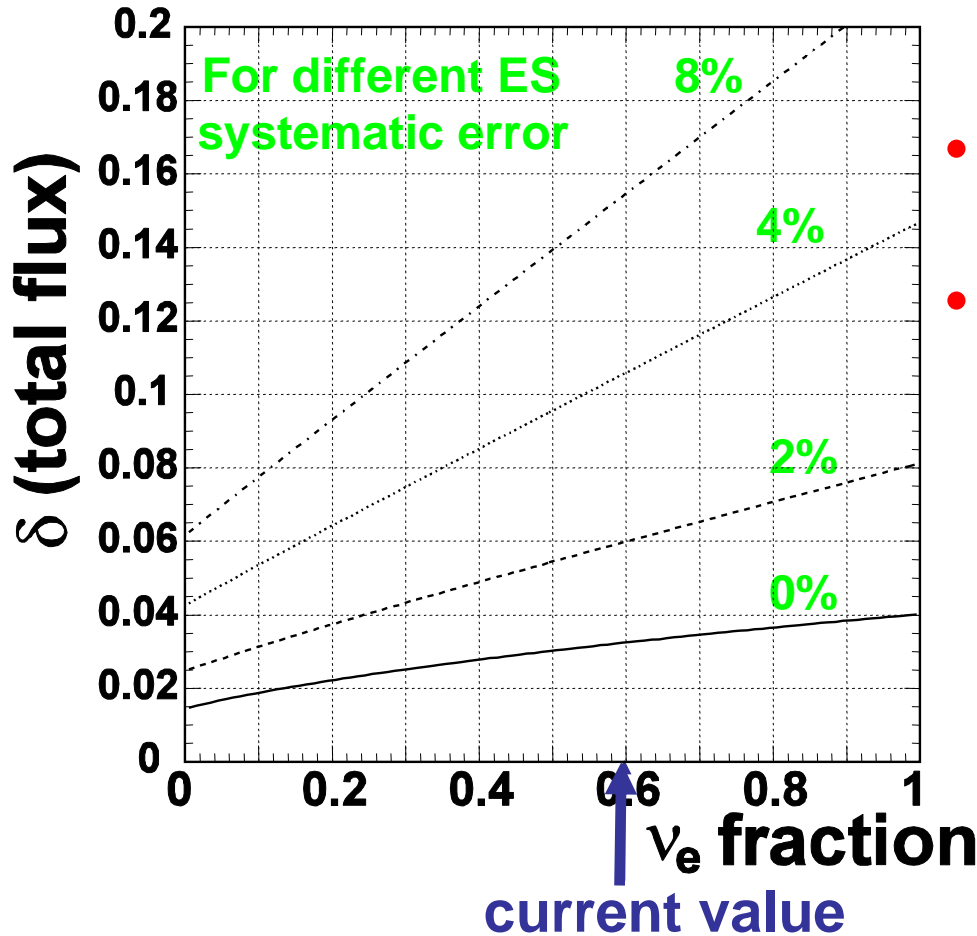
$\nu_e$  scattering(ES) →  $\nu_e + \alpha(\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)$  flux measurement

$\phi(\text{pp } \nu)$  ( $\delta\phi = \pm 1\%$ ) is the best for the search.



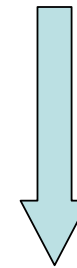
**Note: Precise NC experiment in Low energy is also valuable**

# Sensitivity to the sterile neutrinos (5yrs of data: ES & CC)



## Example (pp- $\nu$ )

- ES: 10 ton Xe (XMASS?)
  - 3300 events/year
- CC: 60 ton In (LENES?)
  - 1477 events/year



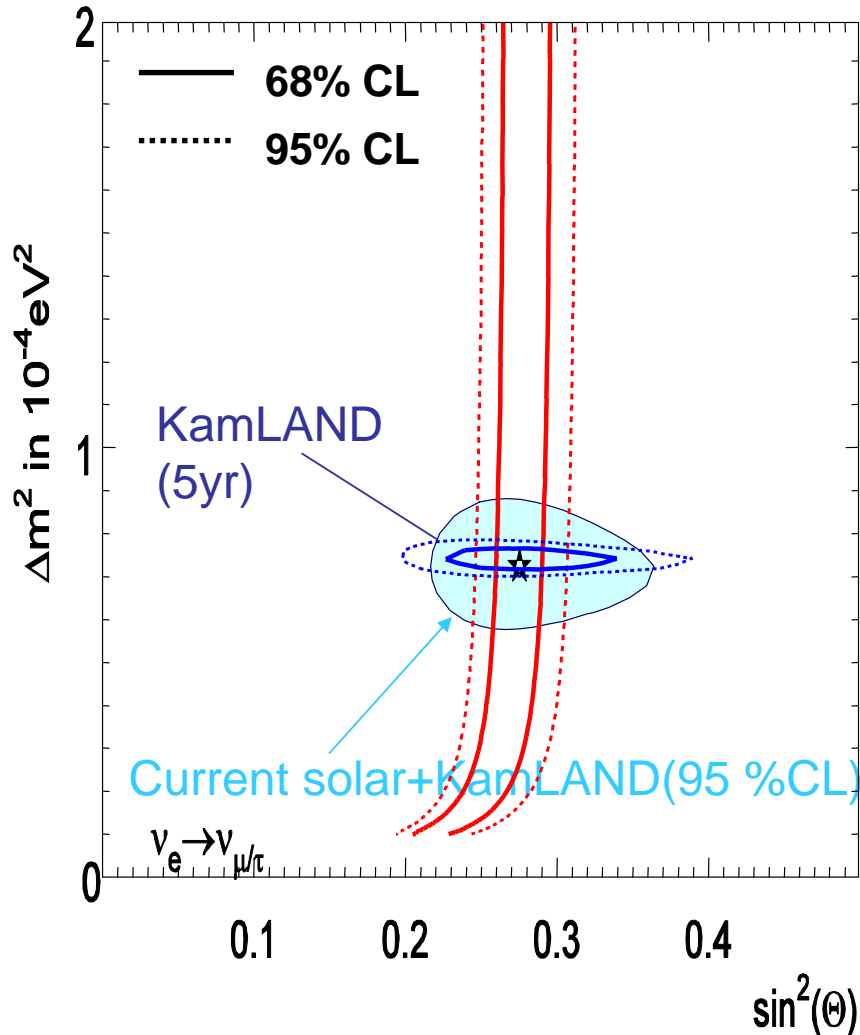
Depending on the experimental errors

< 5~6 % sensitivity for the sterile contribution

Current limit on sterile contribution: < 13% ( $1\sigma$ )

(Bahcall and Pena-Garay, JHEP 0311:004,2003)

# Precise determination of $\theta_{12}$

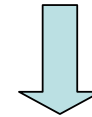


KamLAND contour from K.Inoue

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Future Solar Neutrino Experiments (Y. Suzuki@Neutrino2004)

- **pp neutrino flux measurement by :**
    - **10 ton (Xe) detector**
    - **νe scattering experiment**
    - **5 years data**
    - **Statistical error**
- + SSM flux error**



**Accuracy of mixing angle :**  
 **$\sin^2\theta = 0.28 \pm 0.015$  (stat.+SSM)**

**Precise determination of oscillation parameters by KamLAND + pp experiments**

# Proposed experiments

- $^7\text{Be}$ -experiments
  - [ES] Borexino(LS), KamLAND(LS)
  - [CC] LENS-Sol( $\nu_e^{115}\text{In} \rightarrow e^{-115}\text{Sn}, e, \gamma$ : InL-LS) (also pep, CNO)
  - [CC] Lithium( $\nu_e^7\text{Li} \rightarrow e^{-7}\text{Be}$ : Radio-Chemical)(also pep, CNO)
- pp-( $^7\text{Be}$ )-experiments
  - [ES] XMASS(Xe), HERON(He), CLEAN(Ne)
  - [CC] MOON( $\nu_e^{100}\text{Mo} \rightarrow e^{-100}\text{Tc}, \beta$ : Mo-foil+PI.Sci)
- pep & CNO
  - [ES] SNO-scintillator



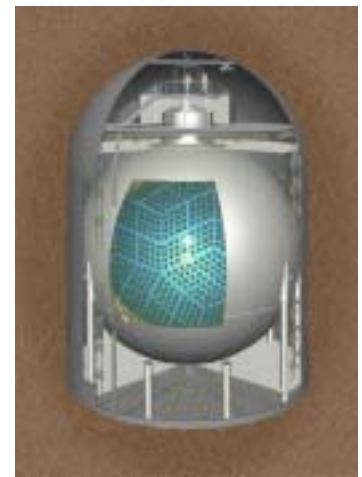
# Borexino

The front runner of this race



Previous Speaker

# $^7\text{Be}$ neutrino observation in KamLAND



- Another effort to observe  $^7\text{Be}$  neutrinos.
- 70 events / day @ 250 keV threshold
- Backgrounds are the key issue
- Most problem:

$^{85}\text{Kr}$ :  $0.7\text{Bq/m}^3$

→  $1\mu\text{Bq/m}^3$

$^{210}\text{Pb}$  ( $^{210}\text{Bi}$ :  $\beta$ ):  $5 \times 10^{-20}\text{g/g}$

→  $5 \times 10^{-25}\text{g/g}$

~  $1\mu\text{Bq/m}^3$

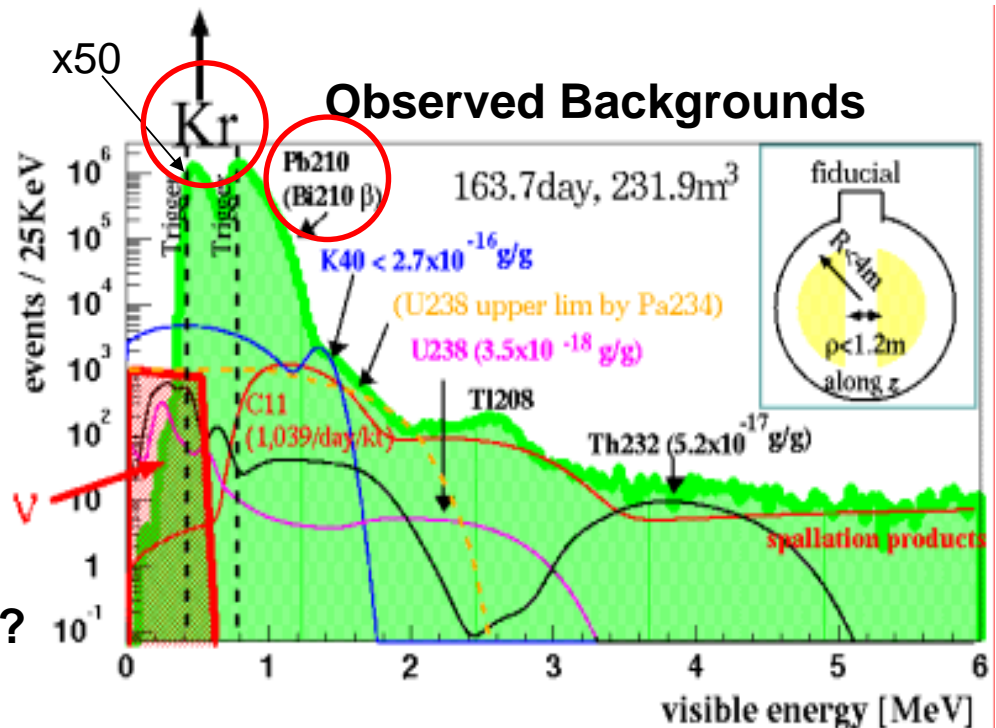
$^{40}\text{K}$ :  $2.7 \times 10^{-16}\text{g/g}$  (max)

→  $< 10^{-18}\text{g/g}$

$^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{232}\text{Th}$ ,  $^{222}\text{Rn}$ : OK

$^{222}\text{Rn}$ : during purification ??

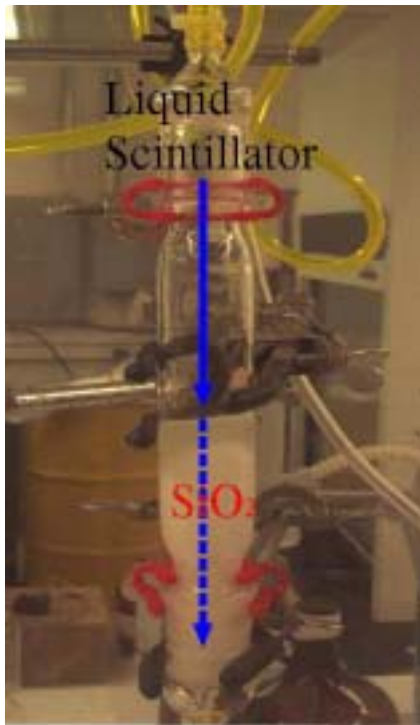
→  $1\mu\text{Bq/m}^3$



# Background removal

- 1) Removal of Kr can be done with nitrogen purge.  
Optimization of the bubbling tower is going on.
- 2) Pb removal is tested with adsorption and distillation.

## Adsorption with Silica gel



- $^{212}\text{Pb}$ -rich LS
- condition
  - 10g of  $\text{SiO}_2$
  - 32-63 $\mu\text{m}$   $\text{SiO}_2$
- Results

**95%**

## Distillation

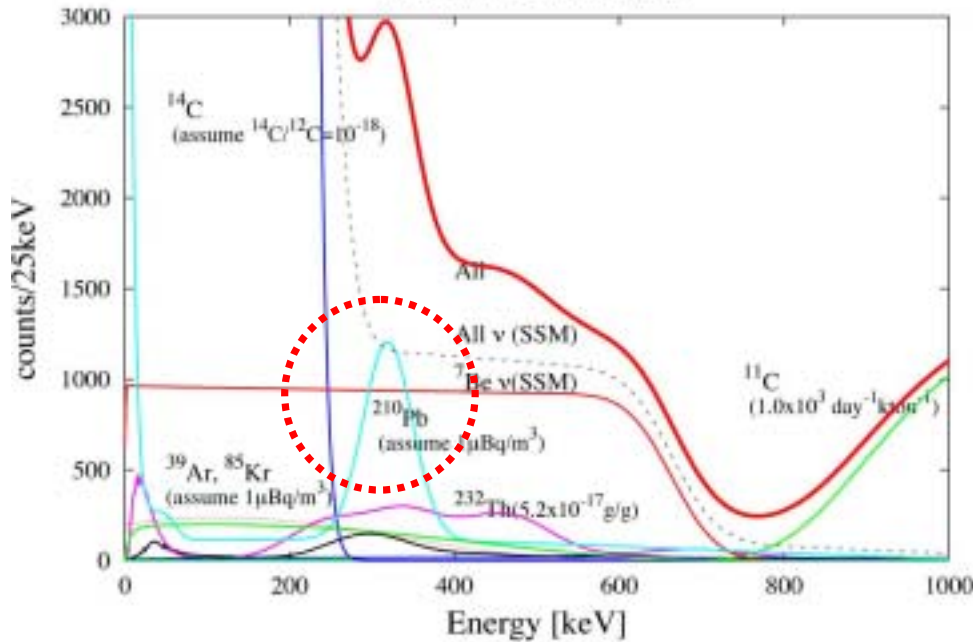


- $^{212}\text{Pb}$ -rich dodecane
- condition
  - T=130C
  - P=50-55hPa
  - t=5min for 50g
- Results

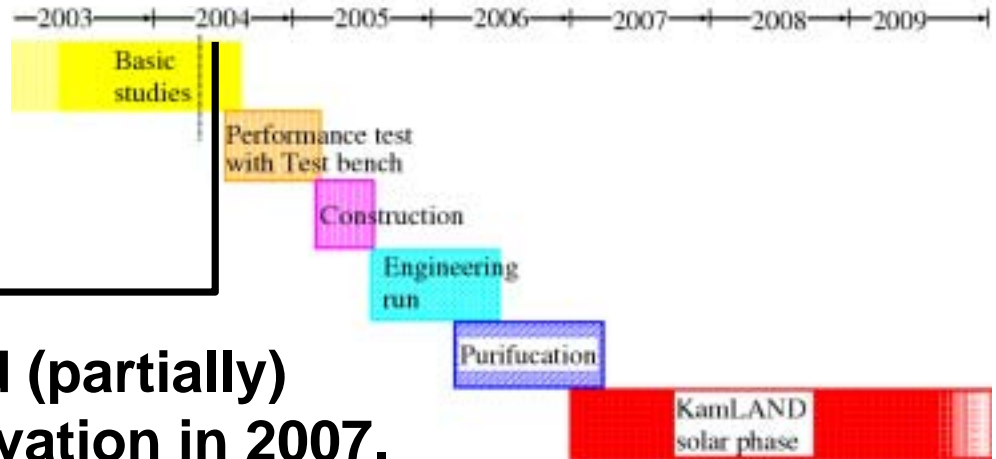
**99.5%(1 path)**

**> 99.95%  
(5 pathes)**

### KamLAND future goal



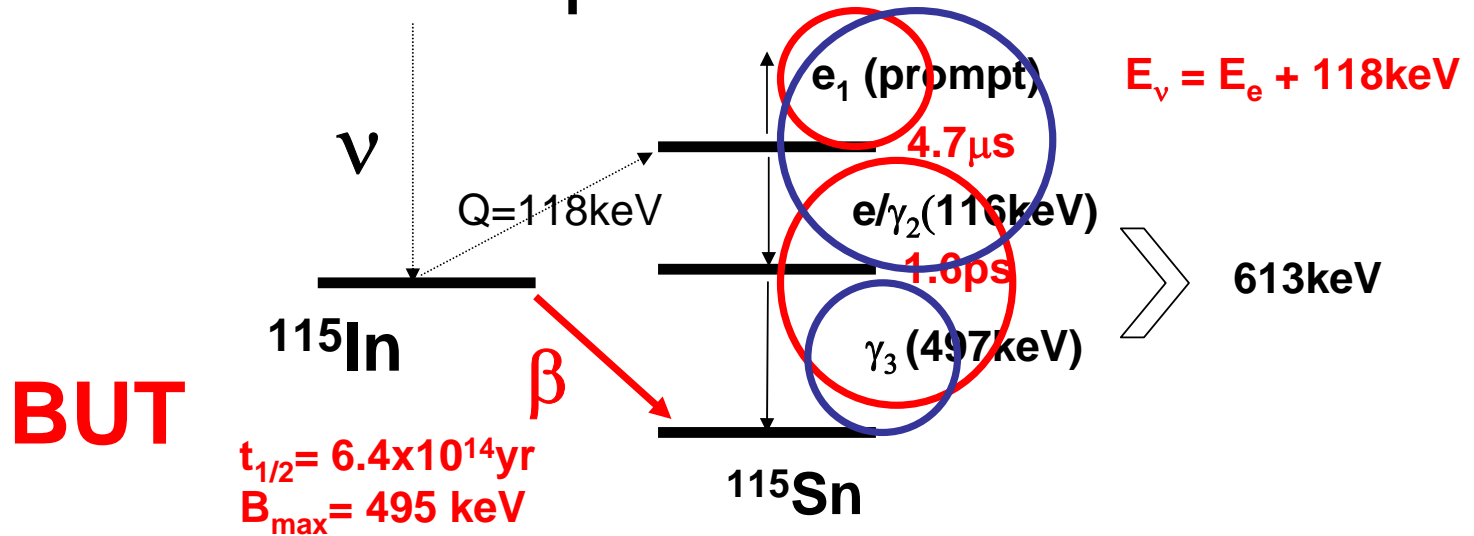
- If the required impurity level is achieved:  
→
- The remaining BG may be  $^{210}\text{Pb}(\alpha)$ , which determines the level of threshold.
- $^7\text{Be}$  flux will be measured at a few %



**Good NEWS !**

**KamLAND( $^7\text{Be}$ ) is funded (partially)  
They hope to start observation in 2007.**

# Indium experiment for ${}^7\text{Be}$



→ segmentation of the detector

From the past study, there is consensus that  ${}^7\text{Be}$ -(pep-) neutrino detection may be feasible, but pp-neutrino detection is very difficult.

Development of the liquid scintillator with good energy resolution is a key for the  ${}^7\text{Be}$  measurement

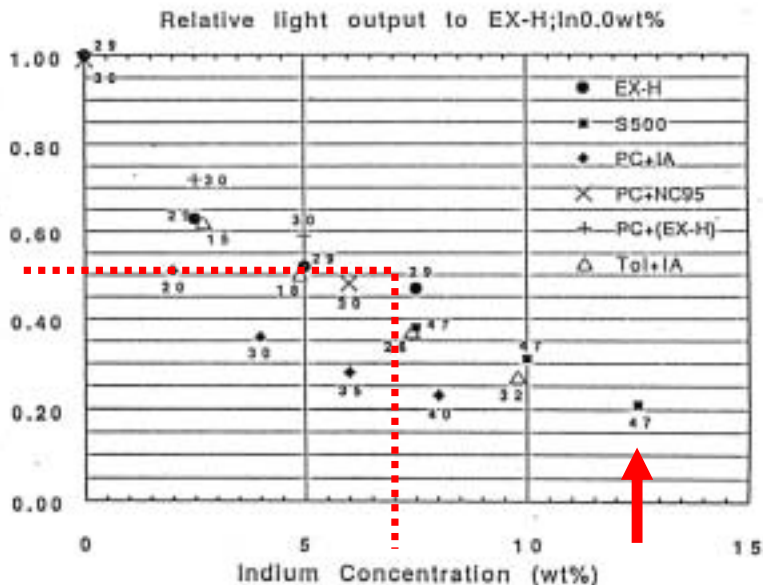
□  $\nu + {}^{115}\text{In} \rightarrow$

$e + e/\gamma + \gamma + {}^{115}\text{Sn}$

- Energy measurement
- Two fold timing coincidence
- Two fold spatial coincidence
- (pp), pep,  ${}^7\text{Be}$  and CNO

# Indium loaded liquid scintillator

- Incidentally, we had an Indium meeting at **Coll. de France** in 1989, **15 years ago**.
  - **Participants** : de Bellefon, Booth, Barloutaud, Borg, Cavaignac, Ernwein, von Feilitzsch, Inagaki, Kim, Mann, Mosca, Raghavan, Salmon, Y.Suzuki, Thevenin
- We had presented a new result on the indium loaded liquid scintillator. (Y.Suzuki et al, NIMA239,615(90) )



- upto 12% indium concentration
- 50% light output of a standard scintillator (@7% content)
- Long attenuation length:  
longer than 1.5m @7%
- We have demonstrated that we can measure  ${}^7\text{Be}$ -v.

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8 August 1989

Dr. Yoichiro Suzuki  
Institute For Cosmic Ray Research  
University of Tokyo  
Midori-Cho, Tanashi-Shi  
Tokyo, 188, Japan

Dear Dr. Suzuki:

Congratulations on making an indium-loaded scintillator with more than 1.5 m attenuation length! I hope very much this leads to a practical  ${}^7\text{Be}$  experiment.

I have also forwarded a copy of your letter to M. Spiro.

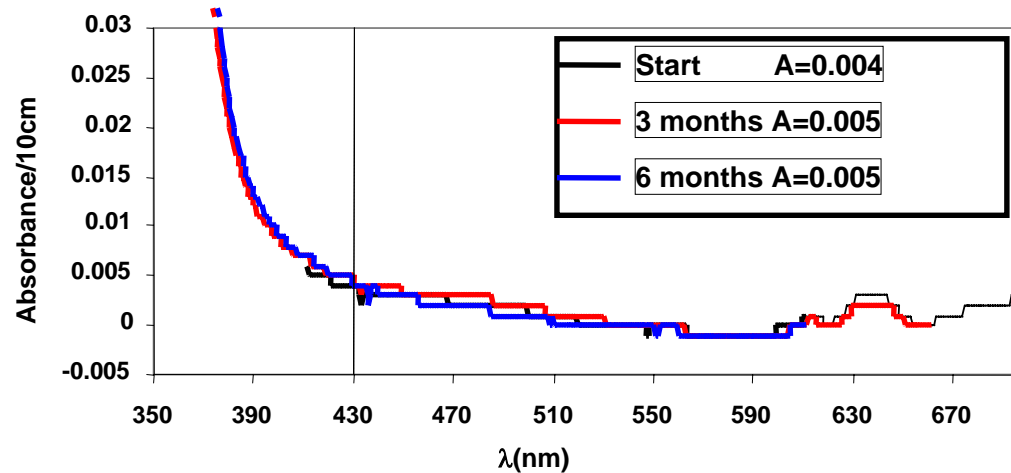
Sincerely yours,



John N. Bahcall  
Professor of Astrophysics

JNB:ar  
cc: M. Spiro

# New development at Bell Labs-BNL



Stability: The UV-VIS absorbance (430 nm) with time over six months (BNL#115, In%=6.77)

- **High Indium content (~7 wt%)  
with new solvent, Phenylcyclohexane**
- **Good light yield (~40% of PC based)**
- **Long attenuation length of ~9 m**
- **Chemically and optically stable for over 6 months**



# ***LENS-Experimental Plan***

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## ***LENS-Sol***

Liquid scintillator based

**CC Solar Nu Experiment at Kimballton (VA USA)**

*(60ton In; 750 ton InLS; 3000 ton In-free LS)*

*CC parameter Known only from (p,n) reactions.*

*Direct measurement integral part of precision experiment.*

## ***LENS-Cal***

**Precision (<3%?) Calibration of In CC (GT) parameter**

**By MCi  $\nu$  Source (  $^{37}\text{Ar}$  ?) -- in BAKSAN, Russia**

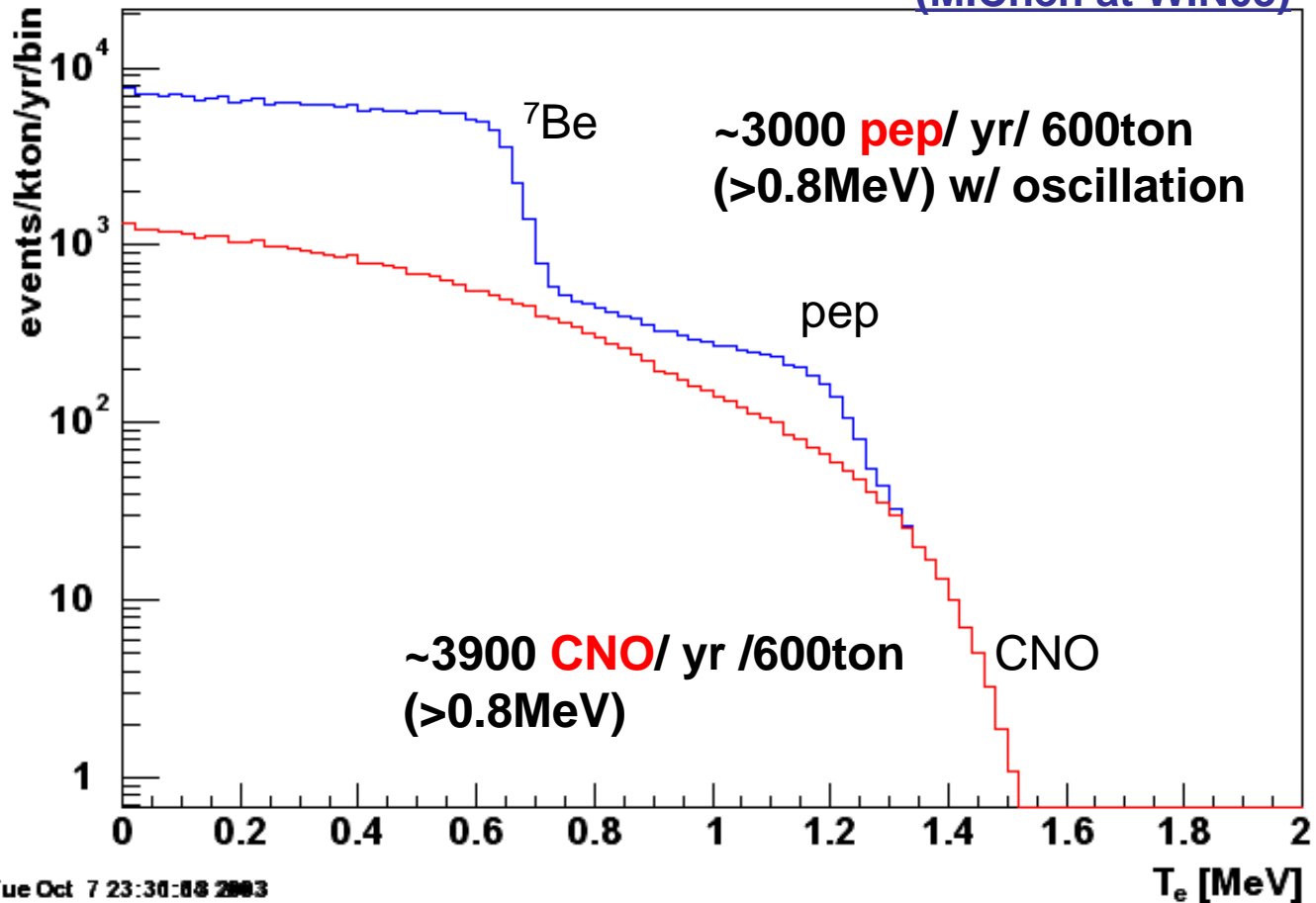
**In metal foil/Plastic or LS Scint. Sandwich Detector**

*(5 ton In; 15 ton Scint)*

# SNO with liquid scintillator for *pep* and CNO

**<sup>7</sup>Be, pep and CNO Recoil Electron Spectrum**

(M.Chen at WIN03)

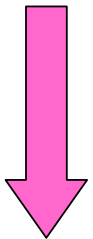


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# Cosmogenic Background ( $^{11}\text{C}$ ) is important

## Depth is a crucial key!

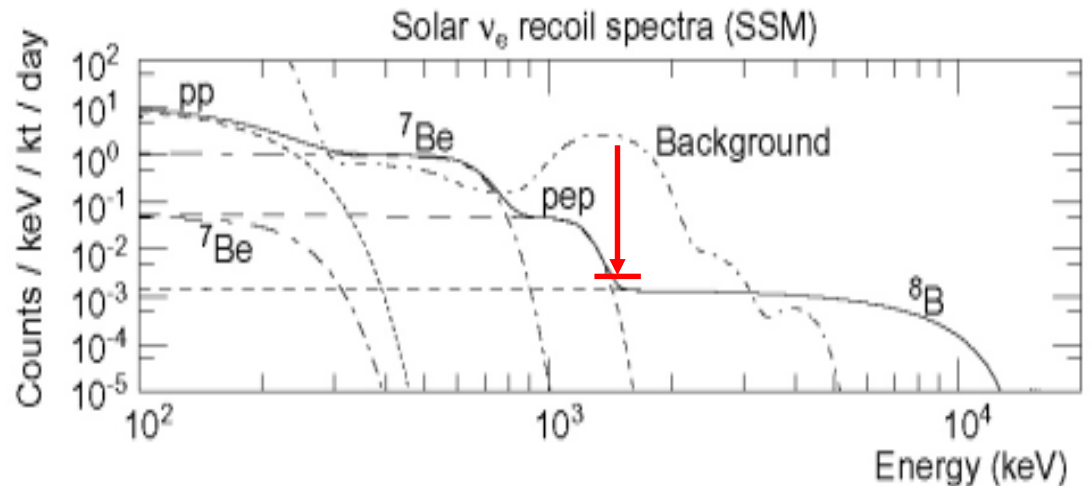
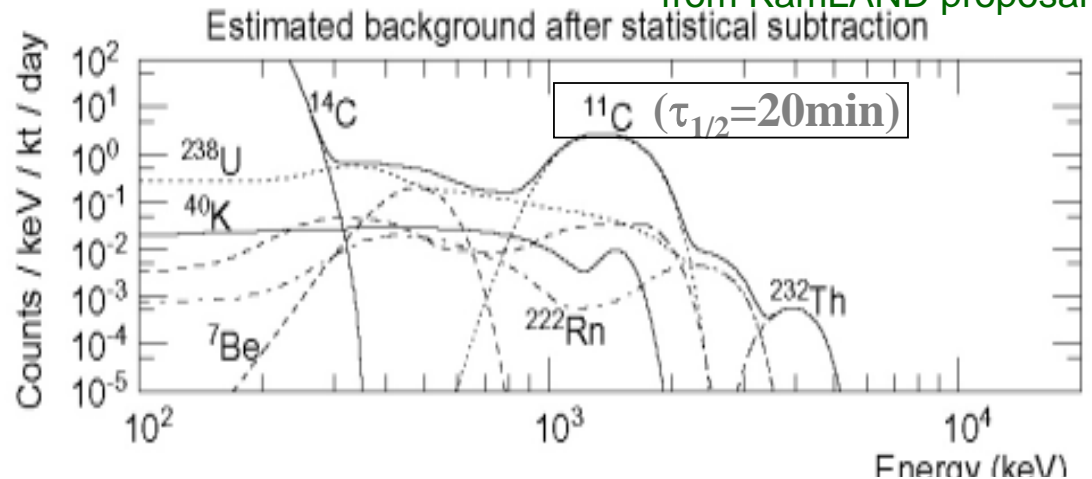
**Muon rate:  
~26000/day @KL**



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**~ 70/day @SNO**

from KamLAND proposal

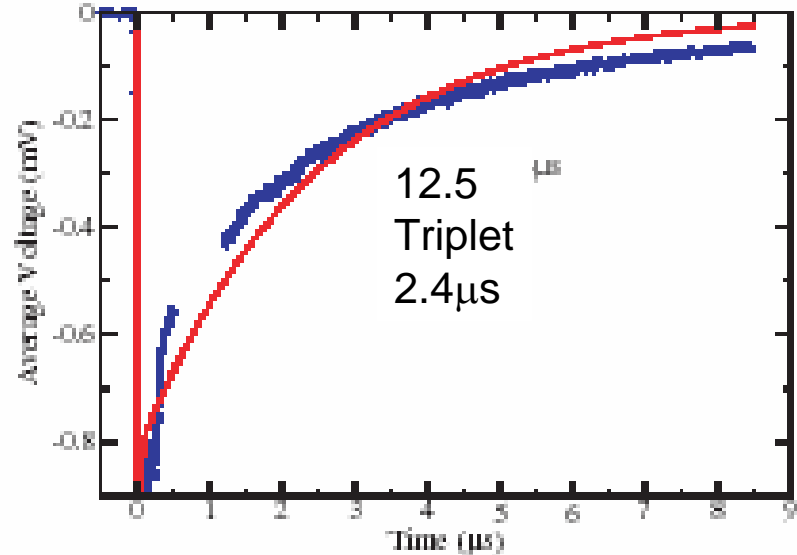
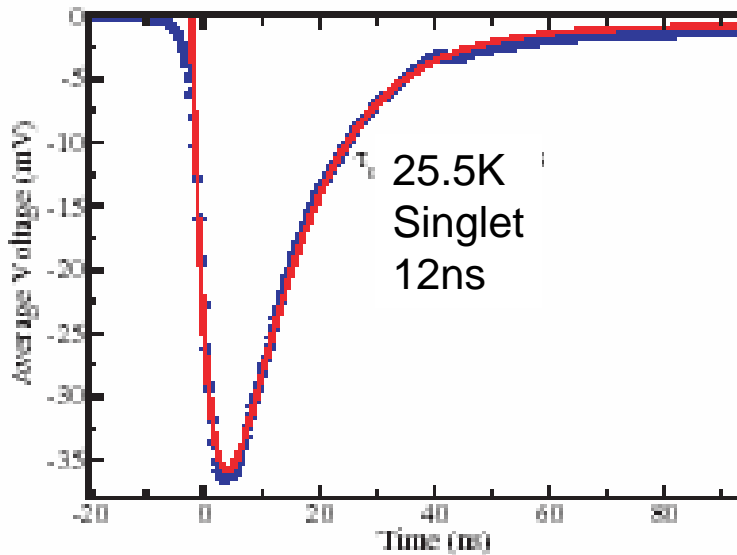
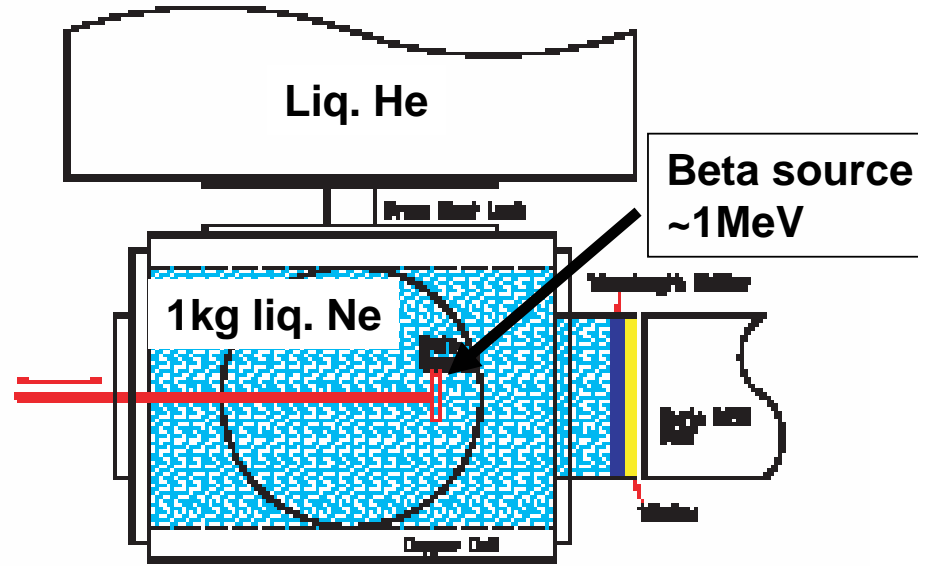


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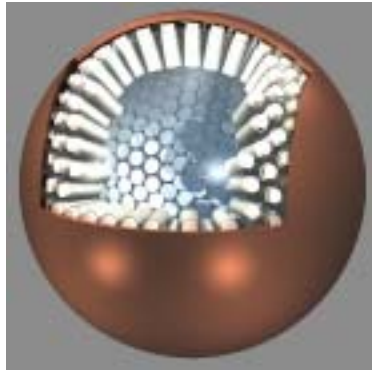
## Liquid Neon Scintillations

Plan in this summer:  
Test PMT in liq. Ne  
Purifying Ne  
Neutron and alpha response

Measurement In Feb. 2004



# XMASS



- Liquid Xenon Scintillation detector  
~160°K; (LNe~27°K; LHe~40°K)
- 10 ton fiducial mass  
for solar  $\nu$  detection  
Event rate: ~10 pp + ~5  ${}^7\text{Be}$ /day  
( >50keV, w/ oscill.)

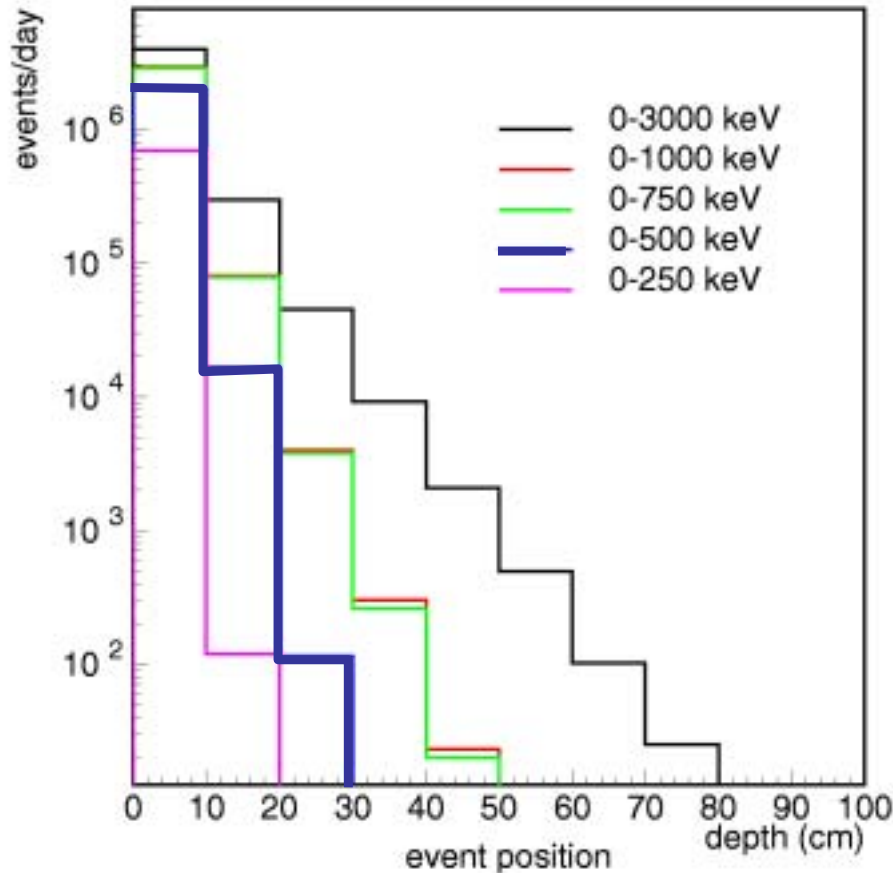
## Multi-purpose detector

- Xenon **MASS**ive Detector for [Solar Neutrinos](#) (pp/ ${}^7\text{Be}$ )
- Xenon Detector for Weakly Interacting **MASS**ive Particles ([Dark Matter Search](#))
- Xenon Neutrino **MASS** Detector ([Double Beta Decay](#))

# Characteristics of the detector

- High photon yield
  - 42,000 photons /MeV (@173nm)
  - QE~30%; Coll. Eff.~70% for **80% PMT coverage**
    - 360 p.e. @50keV
    - **Low threshold(10~20 keV); Good resolution**
- Density ~3g/cm<sup>3</sup>, Z=56, radiation length ~ 2.4cm
  - **Self-shields (against EXTERNAL incoming BG)**
  - compact (r=1.22m for 23 tons (10ton w/ 30cm self-shields))
- Various purification methods
  - Distillation, circulation during the experiment, bubbling, centrifugal, columnn
  - **can reduce INTERNAL BG**
- No long life isotopes (Longest: <sup>127</sup>Xe(36.4days))
- Easy for isotope separation
- Reasonable Price (\$1M~1ton: natural)

# Self-shield



- Quite effective for the events below ~500 keV  
(Solar neutrino and Dark Matter)
- Not effective for double beta decay experiment

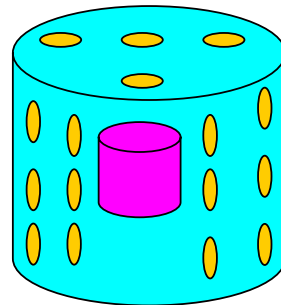
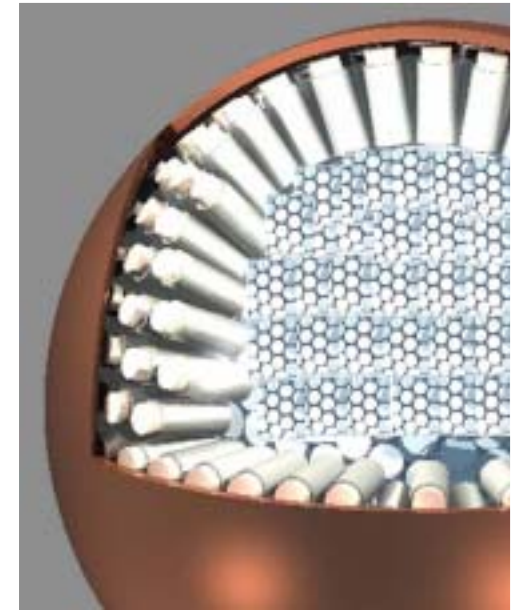
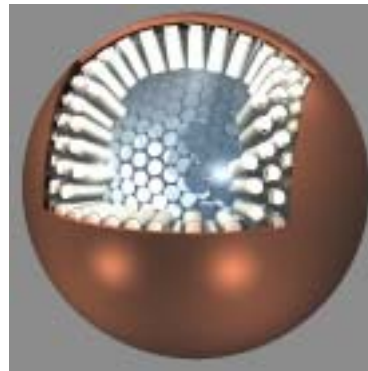
# Strategy for XMASS

~ 10 ton detector  
Solar neutrinos  
Dark matter search

Prototype detector  
R & D



~ 1 ton (800kg) detector  
Dark matter search

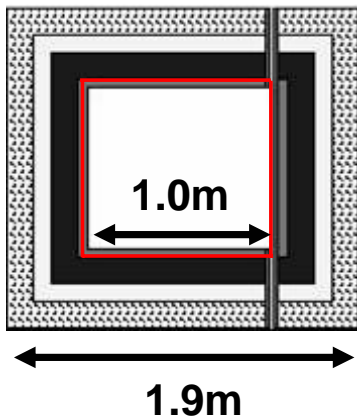


dedicated detector for  
Double beta decay search





# R&D by the prototype detector



Polyethylen(15cm)



Boracic acid(5cm)



lead(15cm)



EVOH sheets(30 $\mu$ m)



OFC(5cm)

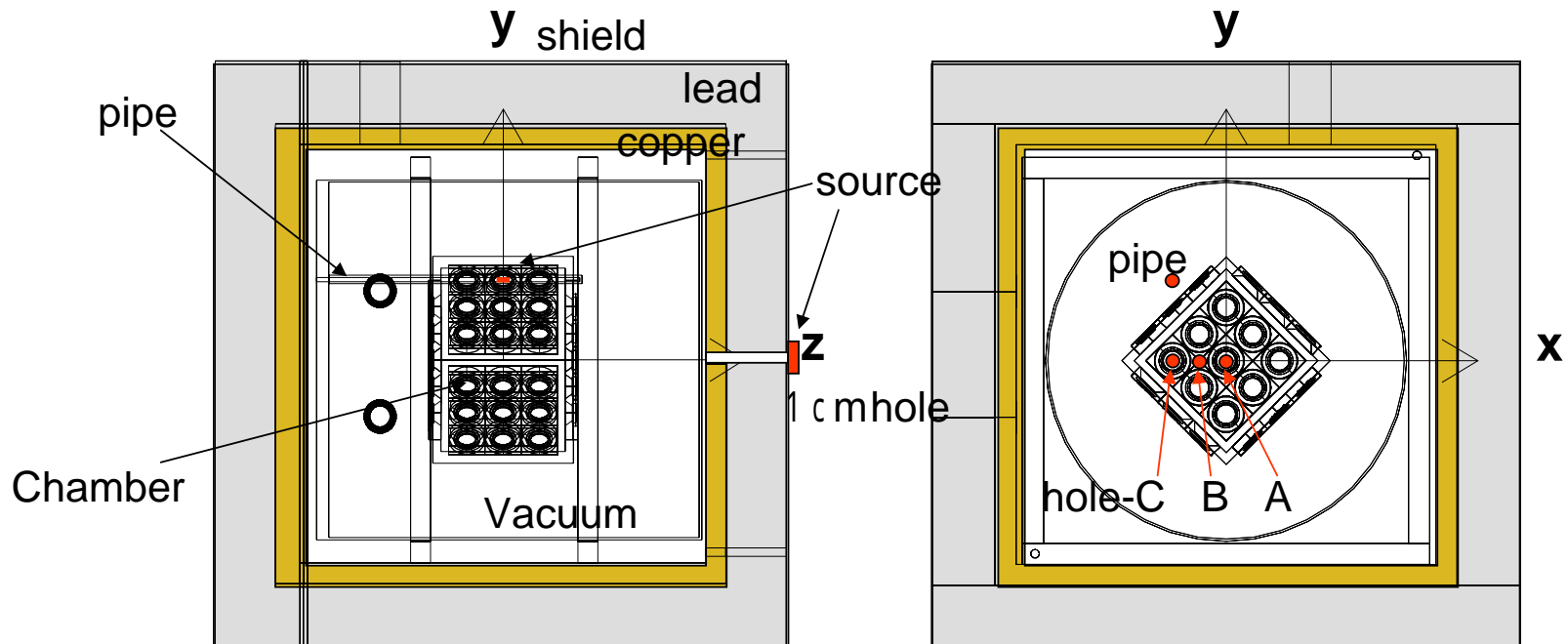
Rn free air ( $\sim 3\text{mBq/m}^3$ )

- **Test experiment (Prototype chamber):**

**December-2003**

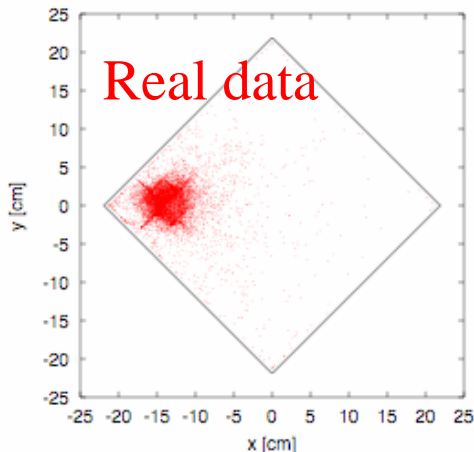
- **Data acquisition ~ 6 days (173°K, 1.5 atm)**

- **Normal run for BG measurements**
- **$\gamma$ -source run**

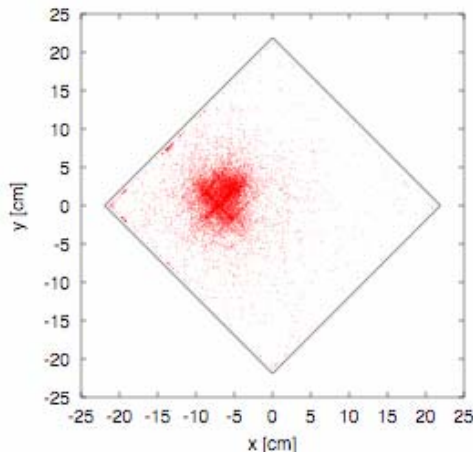


# $^{137}\text{Cs}$ photo-peak

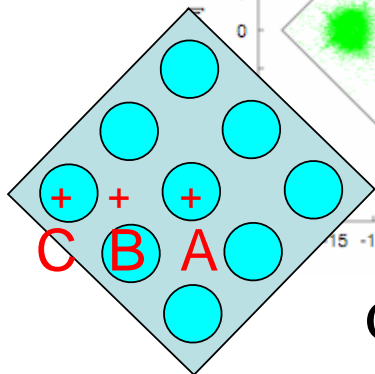
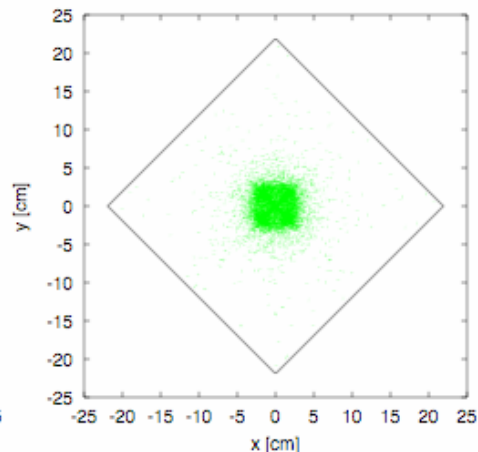
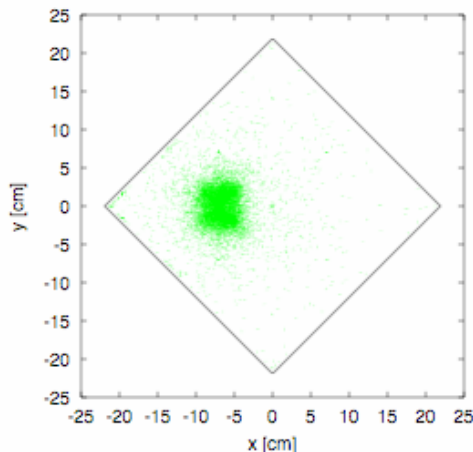
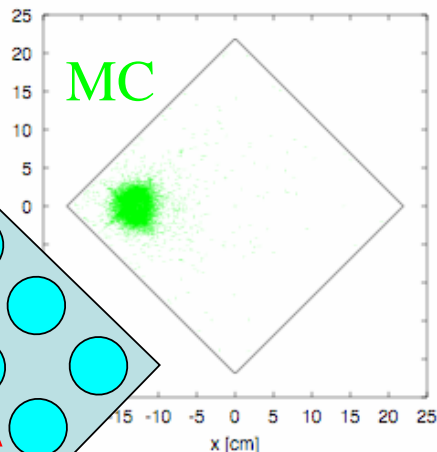
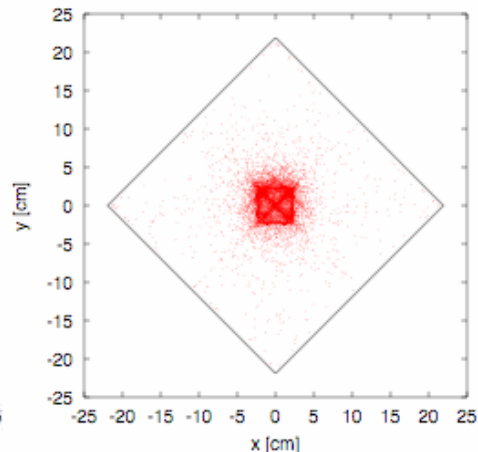
## Hole C



## Hole B

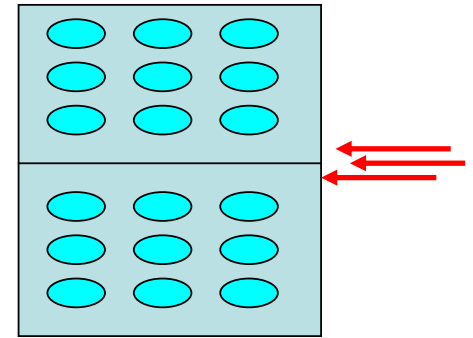


## Hole A



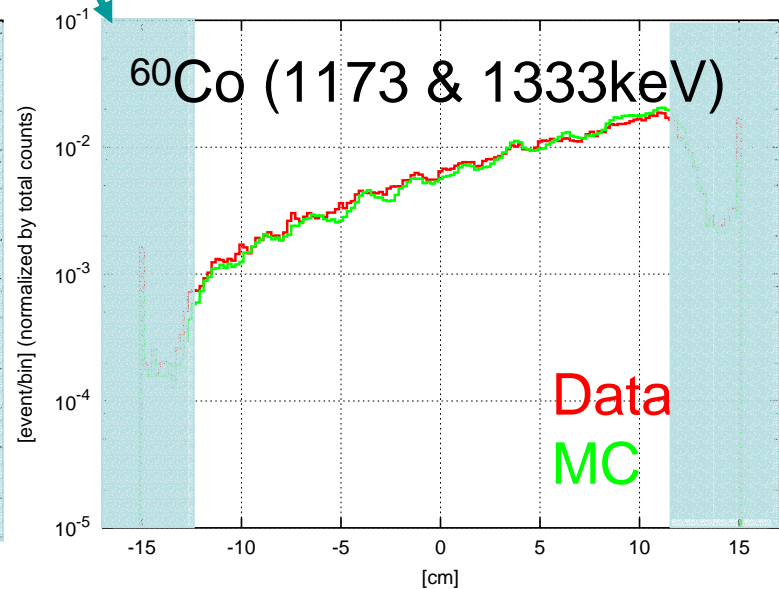
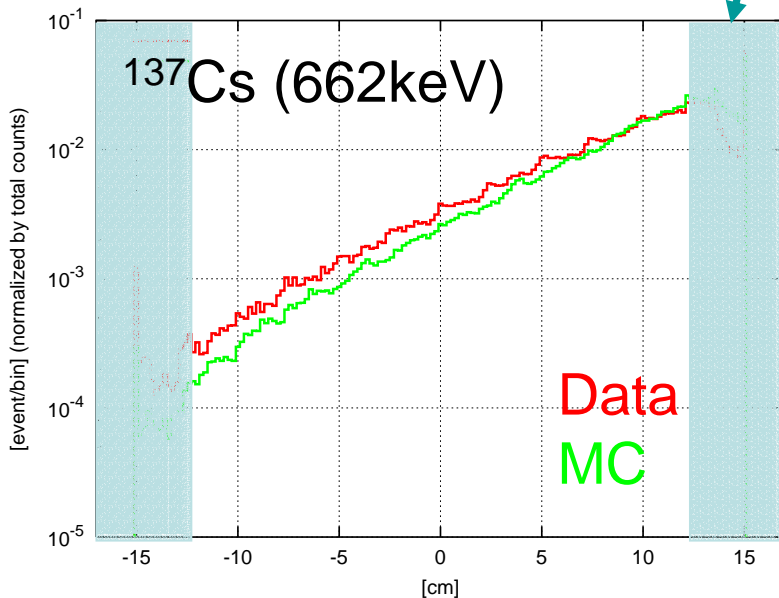
Collimated gamma rays for three different positions

- Proof of the self-shield



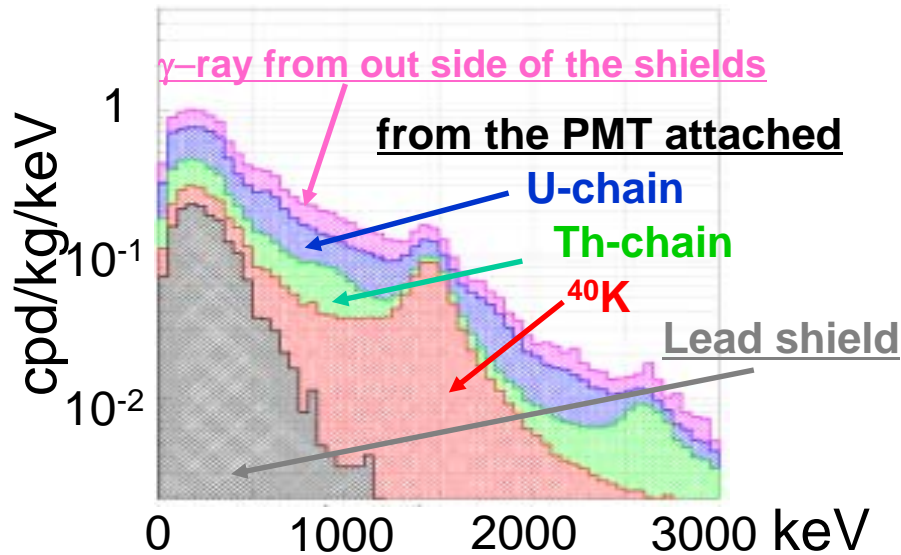
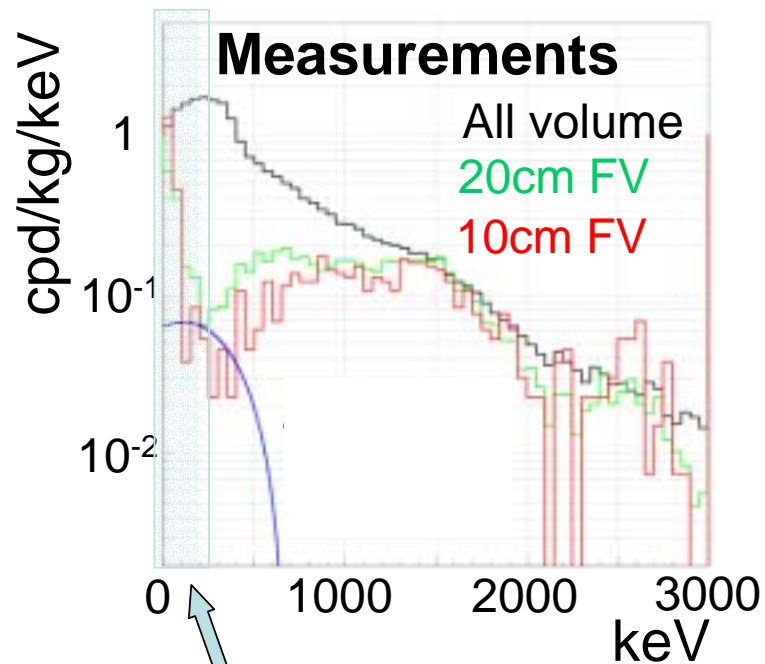
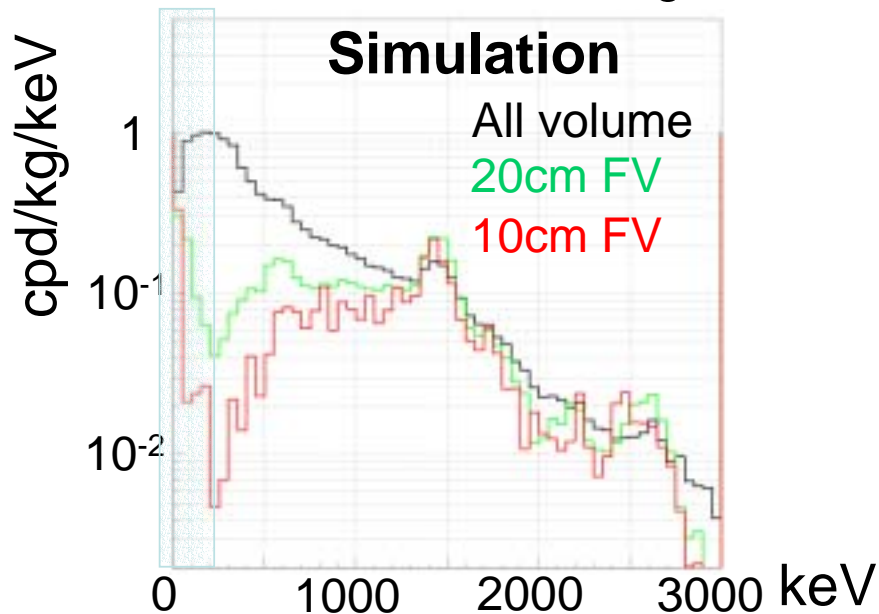
Z= -15      Z= +15

Remove events w/ Saturation



**MC reproduces data very well.  
We have demonstrated that the self-shield actually works.**

# Backgrounds measurement

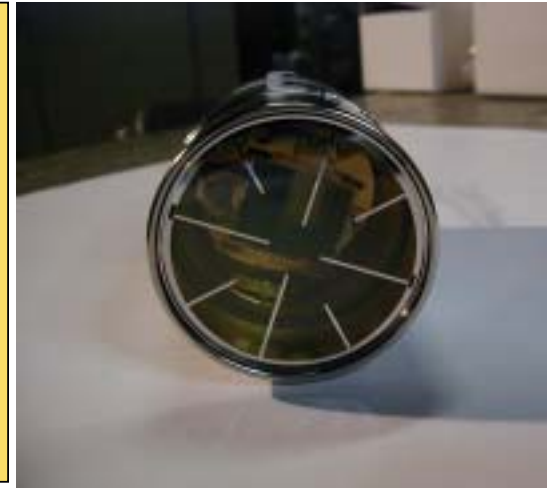


- Please ignore excess
- self-shield works
- excess ~200~400keV  
 $\leftarrow$  Kr ~3ppb  
 $^{85}\text{Kr}/\text{Kr} \sim 1.2 \times 10^{-11}$   
 $\beta\text{-}\gamma$  (0.4%)  $\rightarrow$  2.2 ppb

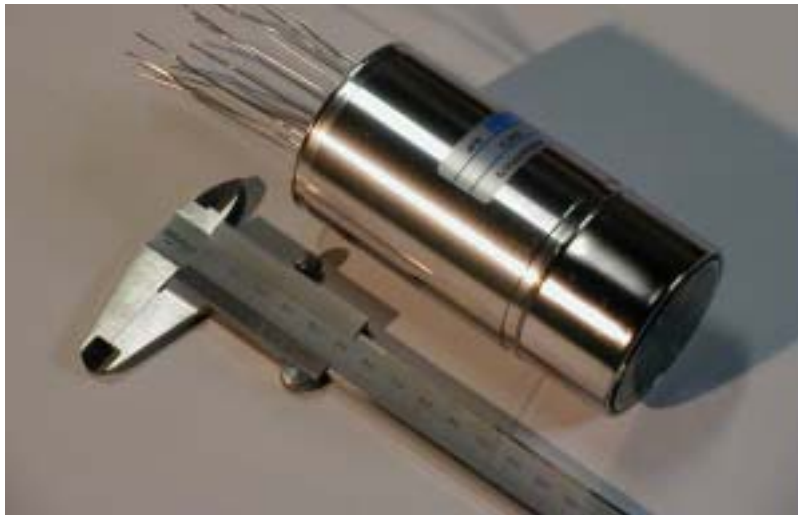
# Development of the low BG PMT

Q.E. ~ 30% @ 175nm; Collection eff. ~ 90%  
Quartz window & Metal tube (Low BG)  
Selection of the parts (measured by HPGe)  
→ Low BG PMT base ~1/10 of the usual ones

U	$1.5 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{-3}$ Bq
Th	$3.2 \pm 4.6 \times 10^{-4}$ Bq
$^{40}\text{K}$	$1.7 \pm 2.9 \times 10^{-3}$ Bq



Aiming for another order of magnitudes improvement



Hexagonal PMT  
to accomplish 70-80% PMT coverage



# Summary of the measured internal BG

- Results

(Bi-Po for U/Th)

–  $^{238}\text{U}$ : =  $(48 \pm 8) \times 10^{-14}$  g/g

–  $^{232}\text{Th}$ : <  $63 \times 10^{-14}$  g/g

Goal for 800kg

→  $1 \times 10^{-14}$  g/g

→  $2 \times 10^{-14}$  g/g

Factor 30~50

– Kr: < 2.2ppb ( $\beta+\gamma$ )

< 2~3ppb (687keV  $\beta$ )

→ 1 ppt

Factor ~3000



Distillation

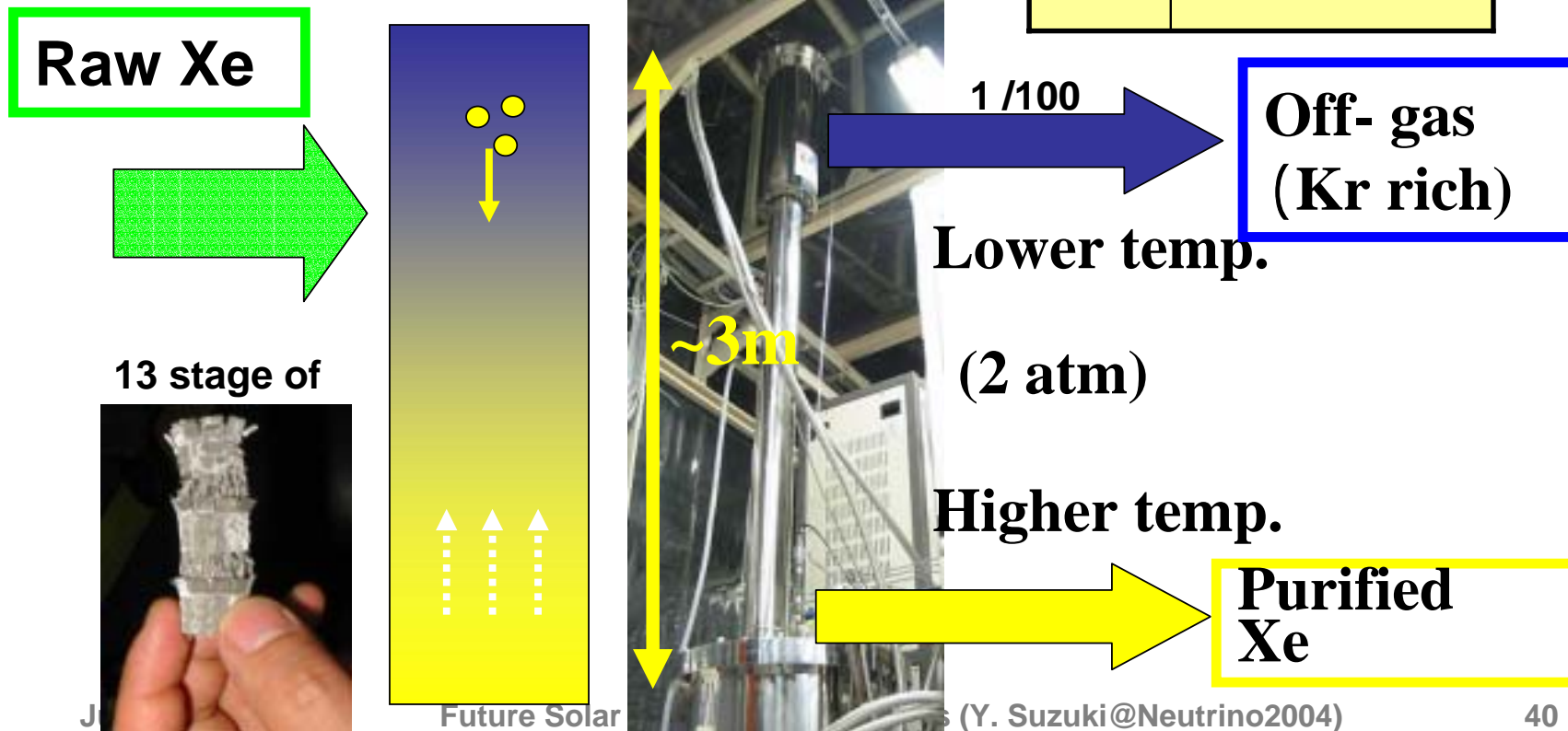
Additional purification  
(filter, etc.)

# Distillation to remove Kr

Boiling point is different

Processing speed: 0.6kg /hour

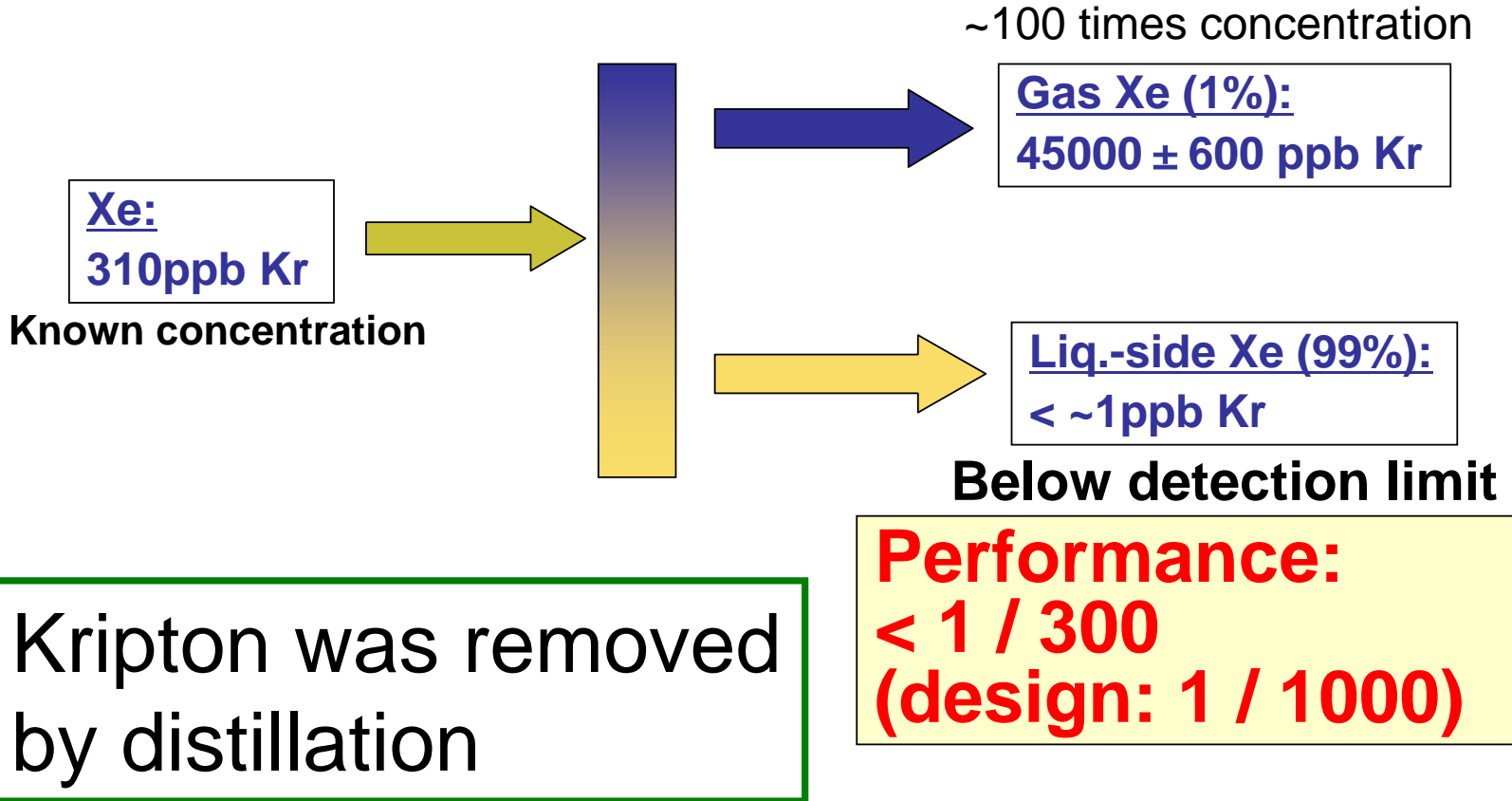
	Boiling P. (@1 atm)
Xe	165K
Kr	120K





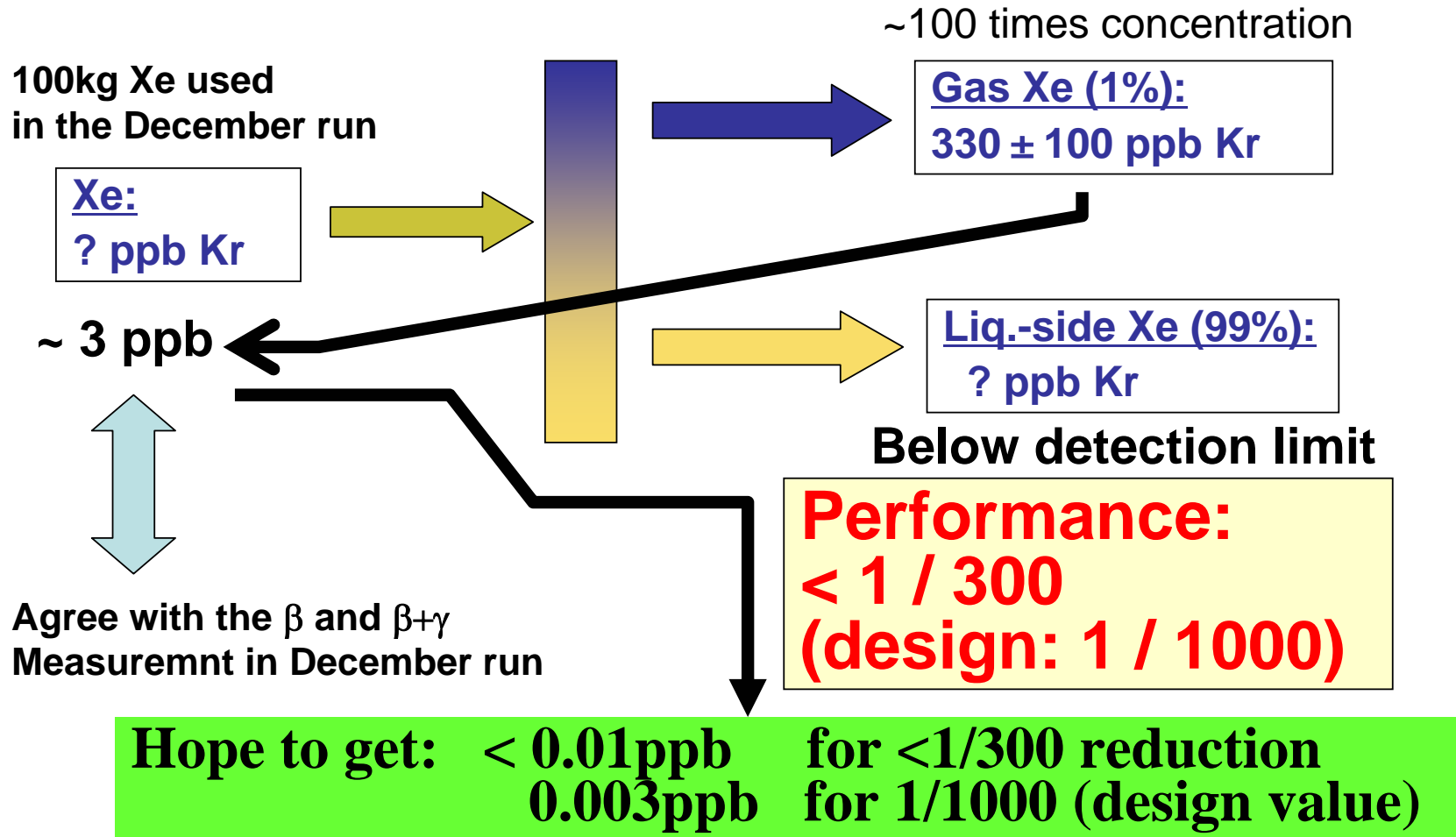
# Distillation

**Test** using 1.6kg Xe in Sep. 2003

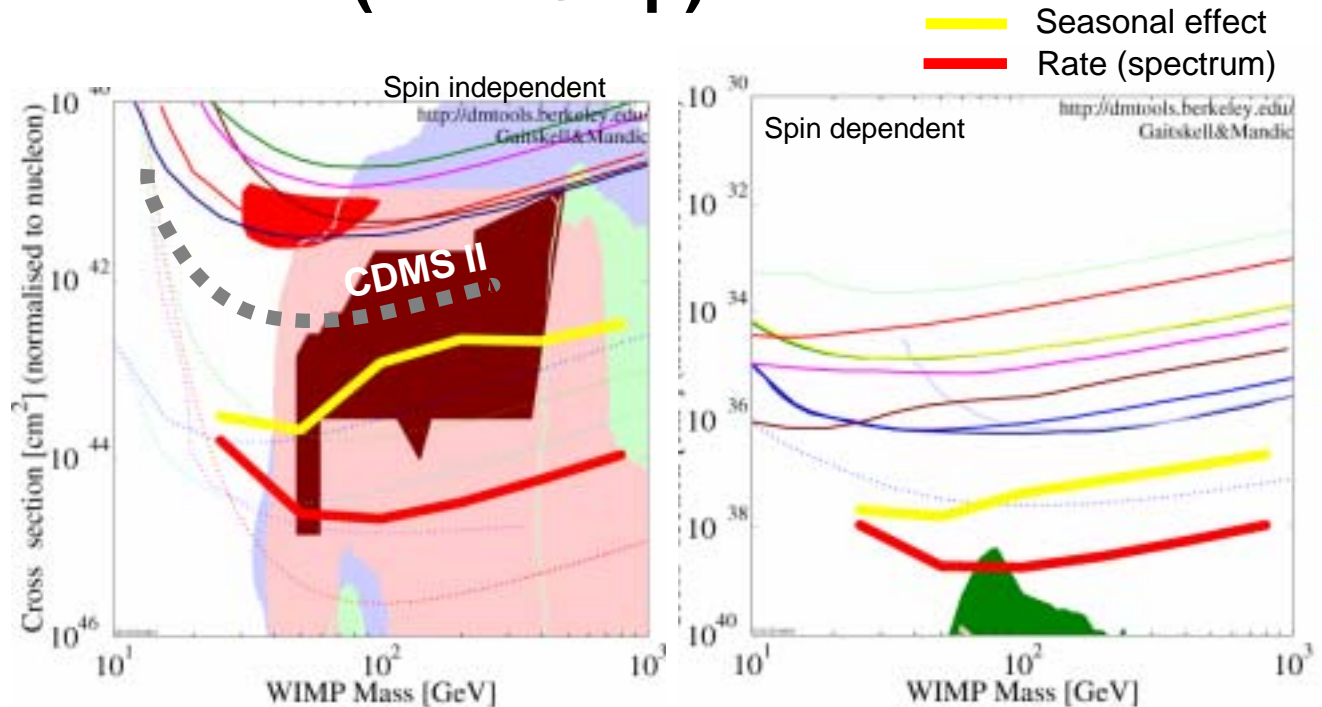
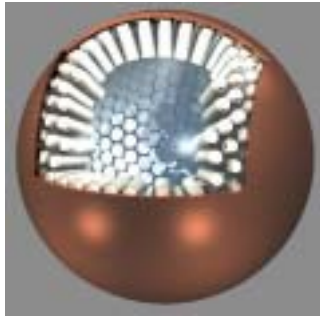


# Distillation

Processed 100kg Xe in March 2004, used in December `03 run



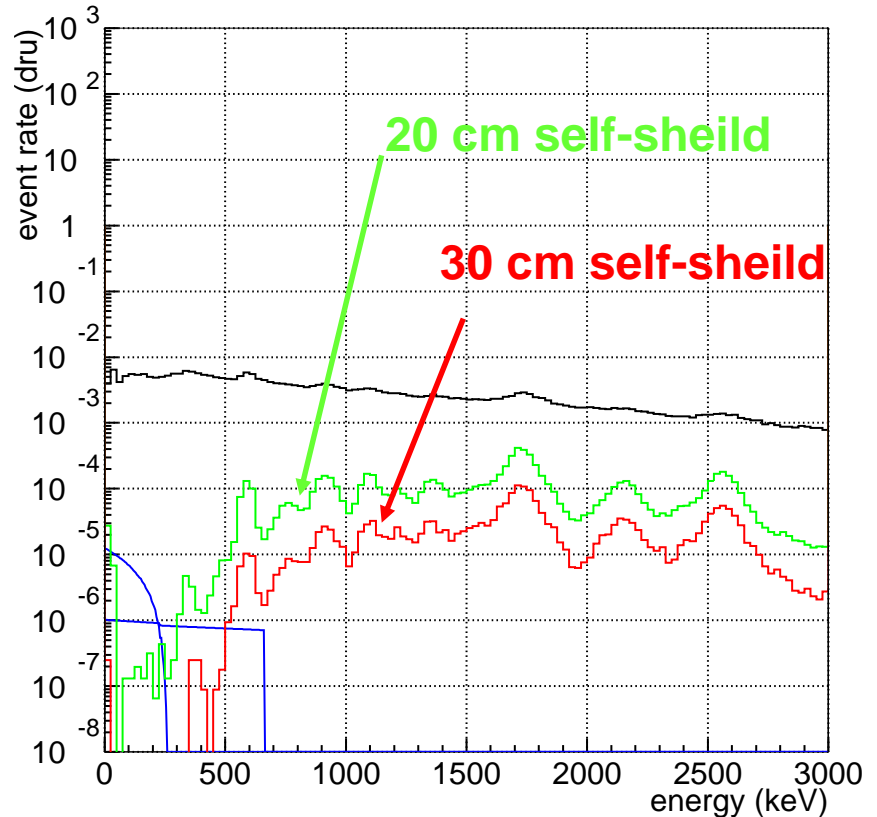
# 800kg (100kg w/ 20cm self-shield layer) detector (Next Step)



- BG levels required could be achievable
- Mostly for the Dark Matter Search
- Solar neutrinos
  - Mass → 10 ton fiducial
  - Self-Shield → 30 cm

# Towards solar neutrino measurements

- External BG
- Internal BG
  - $^{85}\text{Kr}$ :
    - $\text{Kr/Xe} < 4 \times 10^{-15} \text{g/g}$
    - $\rightarrow 1/250$
  - U/Th:
    - $\text{U,Th/Xe} < 1 \times 10^{-16} \text{g/g}$
    - $\rightarrow 1/100 \sim 1/200$
  - Rn:
    - $\text{Rn(in Liq)} < 10 \mu\text{Bq/m}^3$
- need isotope separation  
if  $\tau_{1/2}(2\nu\beta\beta) < 8 \times 10^{23} \text{y}$



# Summary

- Entire spectrum measurements of solar neutrino will be important to test LMA and to determine oscillation parameters, or to find small sub-leading effects.
- ${}^7\text{Be}$  measurement is the immediate goal.  
(Borexino, KamLAND, LENS, .....)
- pp-neutrino measurements, majority of the solar neutrinos, are important, coupled with the precise flux prediction.  
(Xmass, Heron, Clean, Moon, Li,.....)
- The high precision measurements of spectrum upturn and DN by Large (>Mega ton) WC detectors in high energy region would also be important.