

Detection of Coherent Elastic Reactor Neutrino Scattering & Search for Sterile Neutrino

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Overview

Development of a Bolometric Detector “LOCOND” For Coherent Reactor Neutrino Elastic Scattering (CEvNS)

- Use a low-radioactivity & phonon sensitive CsI(Na) or HPGe crystals for sufficient CEvNS
- Use a cryogenic sensor such as STJ or TES to have an energy threshold as low as ~ 10 eV



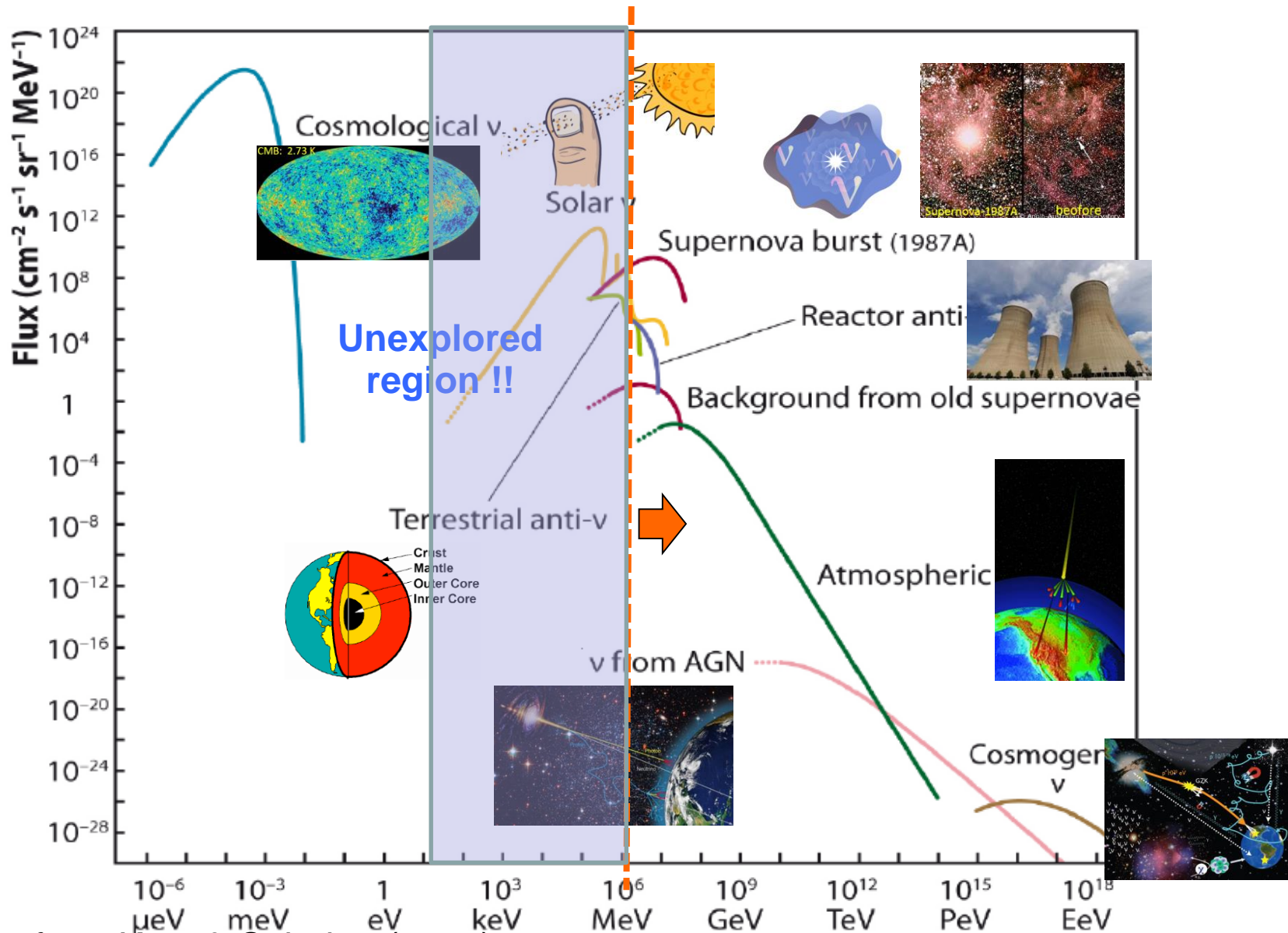
Detection of reactor antineutrino below 1.8 MeV via CEvNS

Open a new field of detecting extremely low-energy neutrinos that have never been observed



- Searches for neutrino magnetic moment and sterile neutrino
- Reactor monitoring for nuclear non-proliferation
- Compact neutrino telescope for core-collapse supernova

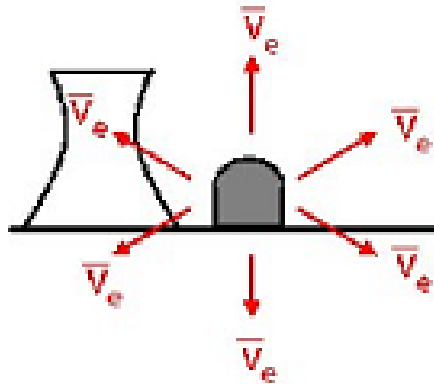
Neutrino Sources and Reactor Neutrino



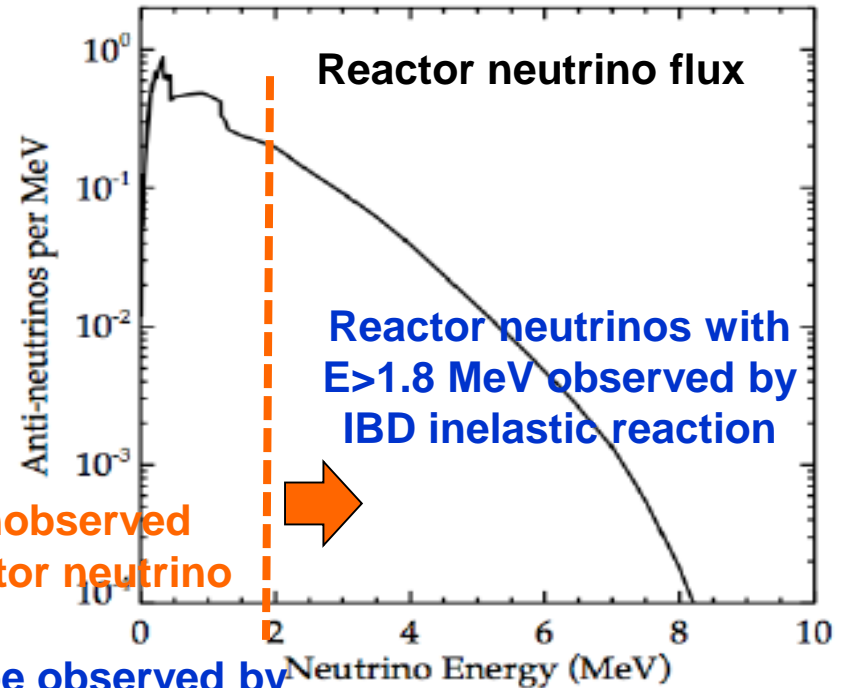
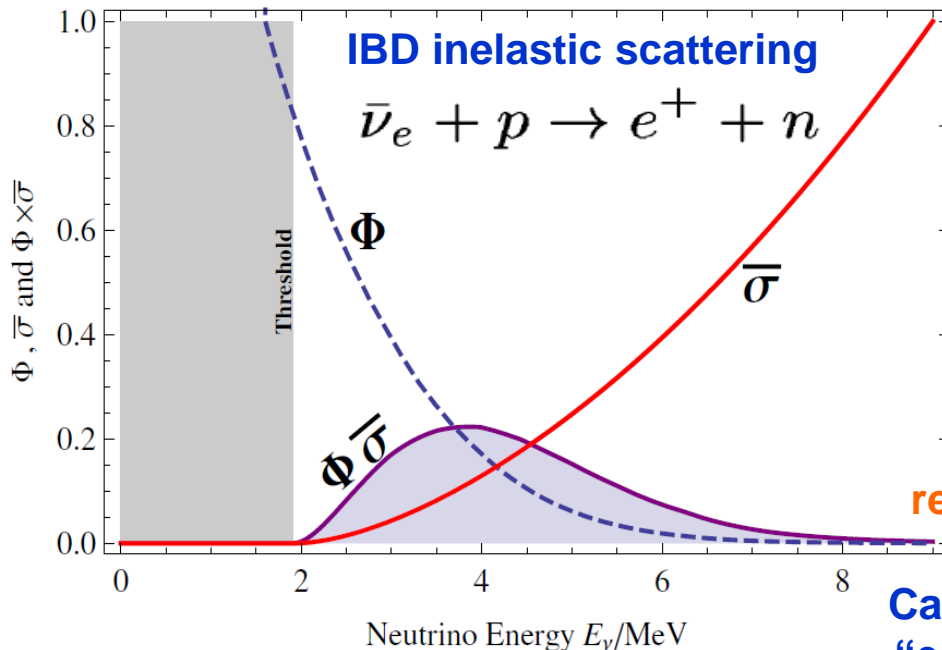
* Taken from Katz & Spiering (2012)

Unobserved Low-Energy Reactor Neutrino

Reactor : copious source of electron antineutrinos



3 GW_{th} reactor
 $\rightarrow \sim 6 \times 10^{20} \bar{\nu}_e/\text{sec}$



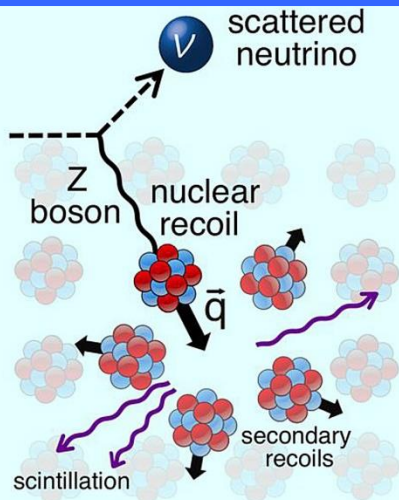
Can be observed by
 "elastic" scattering

Enhancement of Low-Energy Neutrino Cross Section

Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleon Scattering (CEvNS)

Extremely difficult to detect low energy (E_ν) neutrinos
 → lower cross section ($\sim E_\nu^2$)
 → need a large detector and a high flux of neutrinos!

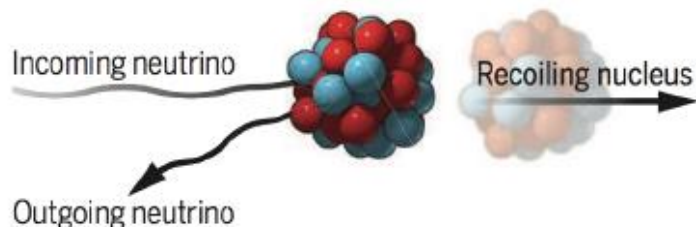
$$\nu + N \rightarrow \nu + N$$



Z-exchange of a neutrino with nucleus :
 → Coherent up to $E_\nu \sim 50$ MeV
 (coherent length $\sim 1/E_\nu$)
 → Nucleus recoils as a whole

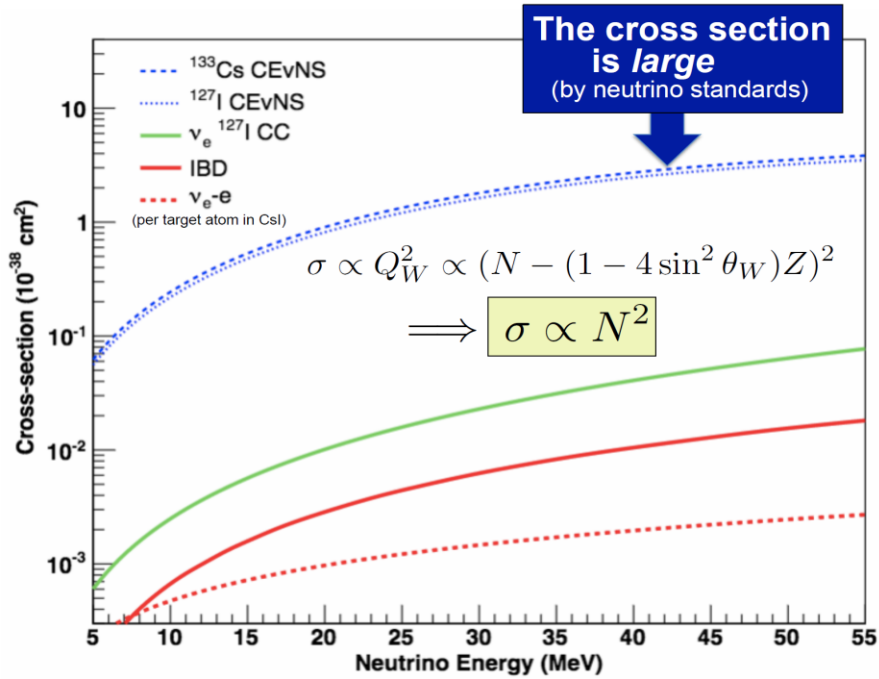
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dT}\right)_{\text{SM}}^{\text{coh}} = \frac{G_F^2}{4\pi} m_N \underbrace{[Z(1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W) - N]}_{\sim N}^2 \left[1 - \frac{m_N T_N}{2E_\nu^2}\right] \sim N^2$$

$N \approx 40 \rightarrow N^2 = 1600 \rightarrow$ detector mass 10 t \rightarrow a few kg



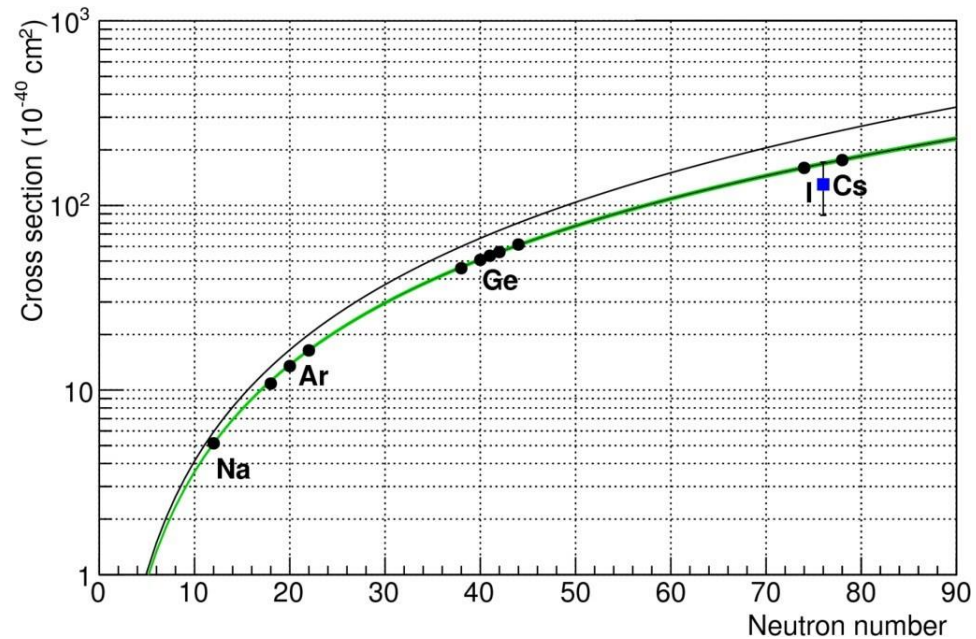
Enhanced (~ 100 times) neutrino cross section at low energy (D.Z. Freedman, 1974)

Enhanced Neutrino Cross Section via CEvNS



A neutrino becomes coherent up to ~ 50 MeV.

CsI and Ge crystals can provide sufficient CEvNS cross sections.



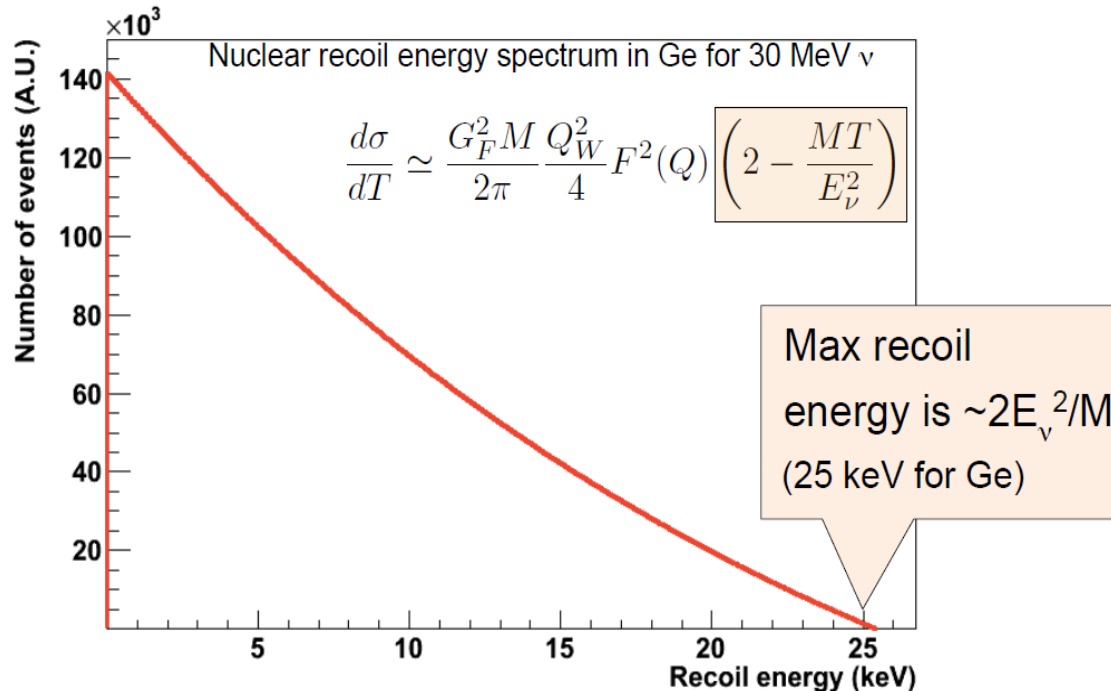
Challenge: Tiny Nuclear Recoil Energy

- Extremely low recoil energy (\sim keV) for a heavy, neutron-rich nucleus

$$T_{max} \approx \frac{2E_{\nu}^2}{m_n(N+Z)}$$

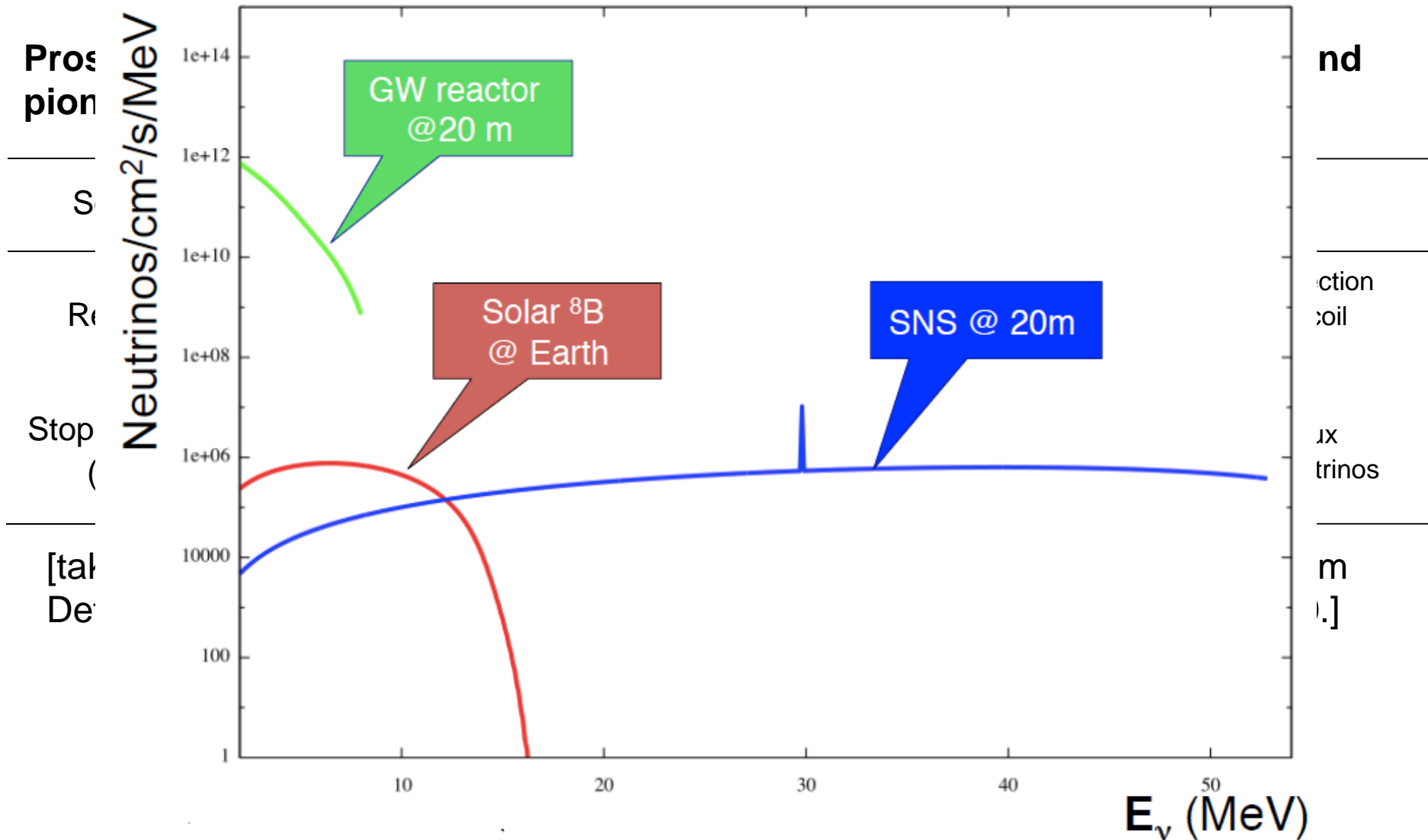
$$\begin{aligned} E_{\nu} = 10 \text{ MeV} &\rightarrow T_{max} \approx 3 \text{ keV (in Ge)} \\ 50 \text{ MeV} &\rightarrow 75 \text{ keV} \\ 1 \text{ MeV} &\rightarrow 30 \text{ eV} \end{aligned}$$

Nuclear recoil energy spectrum in Ge for 30 MeV neutrino



Neutrino Sources for CEvNS Detection

Neutrino fluxes



Expected Reactor Antineutrino CEvNS

- Quite low nuclear recoil energy in Ge: $< 2\sim 3$ keV
- Even more enhanced CEvNS cross section
- Intense neutrino flux near reactor core

■ Reactor antineutrinos (in Ge)

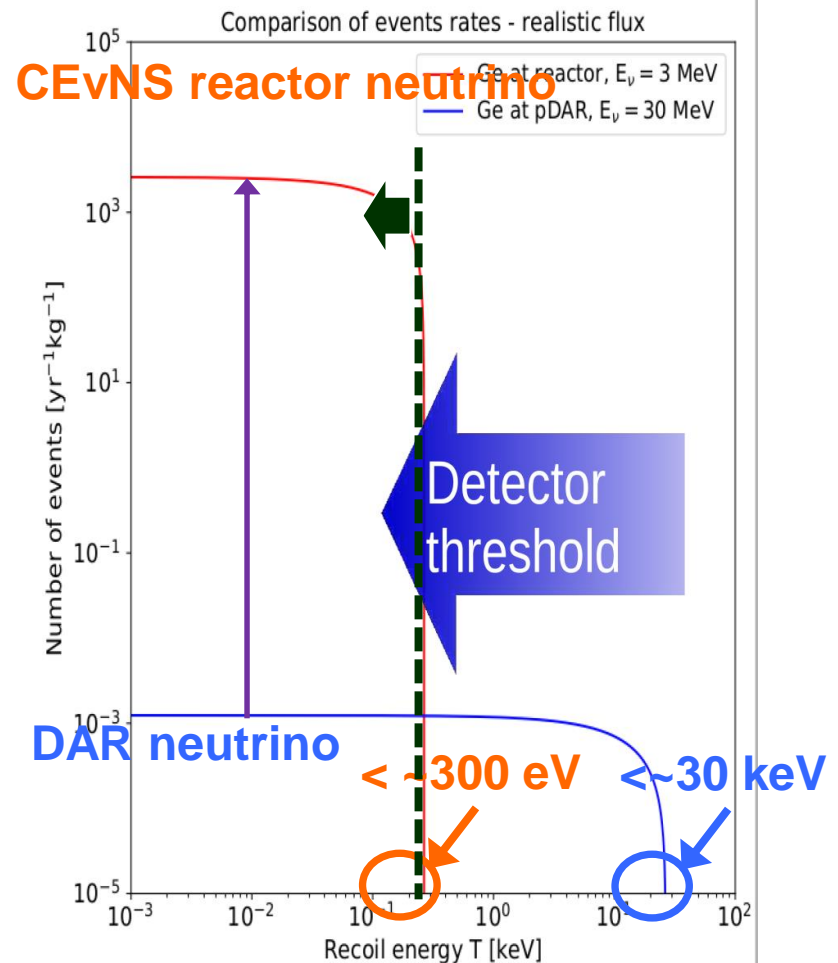
$[E_\nu = 0 - 8 \text{ MeV}]$

$E_\nu = 8 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow T_{\text{max}} \approx 2 \text{ keV}$
 $3 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow 270 \text{ eV}$
 $1 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow 30 \text{ eV}$

■ DAR neutrinos (in Ge)

$[E_\nu = 0 - 50 \text{ MeV}]$

$E_\nu = 50 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow T_{\text{max}} \approx 75 \text{ keV}$
 $30 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow 27 \text{ keV}$



Observation of Coherent Elastic Neutrino Scattering



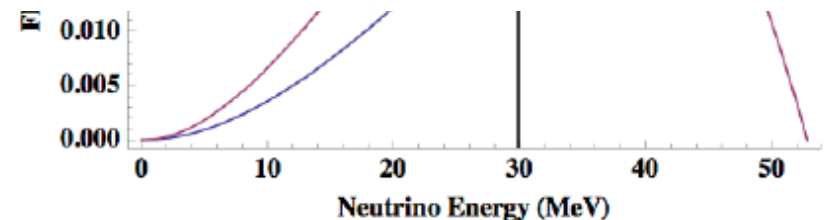
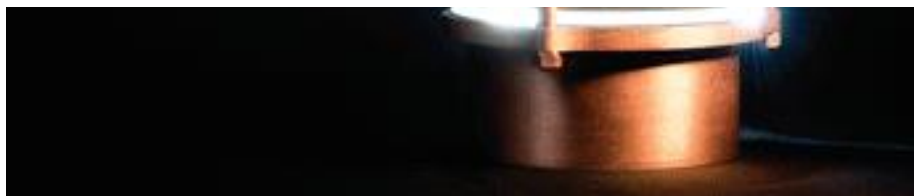
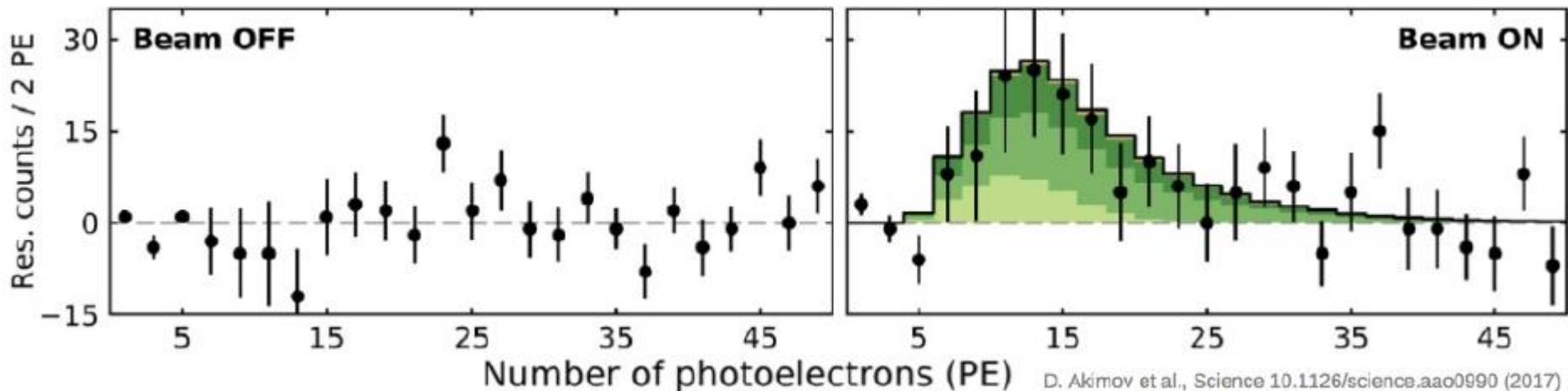
First COHERENT result July 2017

- 15 month of live-time accumulated with CsI[Na]
- 6.7 σ significance for excess in events, with 1 σ consistency with the SM prediction

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detector



Worldwide Efforts on Reactor Neutrino CEvNS

Experiment	Technology	Threshold (eV)	Mass (kg)	Location	Status
CONNIE	Si CCD	~40	0.1	Brazil	1 g under development
CONUS	HPGe	300	4	Germany	<i>Data taken for no signal observed</i>
MIvER	Ge/Si cryogenic	~100	10	USA	Under development
Nu-Cleus	Cryogenic CaWO ₄ , Al ₂ O ₃ calorimeter array	~20	0.01~0.1	Europe	1 g under development
vGEN	Ge PPC	350	1.6	Russia	Under preparation
RED-100	LXe dual phase	1000	~100	Russia	Under preparation
RICOCHET	Ge, Zn bolometers	100	1	France	Under development
TEXONO	p-PC Ge	~10	0.5~1.0	Taiwan	Under development
LOCOND	HPGe or CsI(Na) with TES cryogenic sensor	~10	20~30	Korea	Under proposal

* *LOCOND: LOw temperature COherent Neutrino Detector*

Significance of Reactor Neutrino CEvNS Detection

Establish a new field of detecting unexplored energy region of neutrinos

- Explore a new region of neutrino magnetic moment
- Efficient search for existence of sterile neutrino by neutral current
- Practical and peaceful application such as reactor monitoring for nuclear non-proliferation
- Development of a compact neutrino telescope sensitive to detection of an intense neutrino burst from a nearby core-collapse supernova
- Precise measurement of nuclear form factors $F(Q^2)$
- Neutrino's non-standard interaction (NSI) search
- CEvNS solar neutrino detection as a neutrino floor of direct dark-matter searches
- Precise measurement of $\sin^2\theta_W$ at low energies

Motivation for Mobile Reactor Neutrino Detector

The reactor neutrino community and IAEA are eager to develop a compact and mobile antineutrino detector that can be used for peaceful and practical purposes.



Core Idea: Development of LOCOND Detector

Requirements for Low temperature Coherent Neutrino Detector :

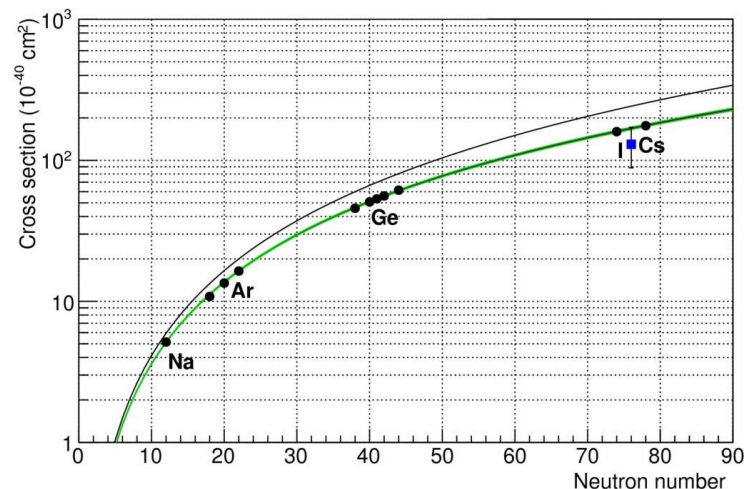
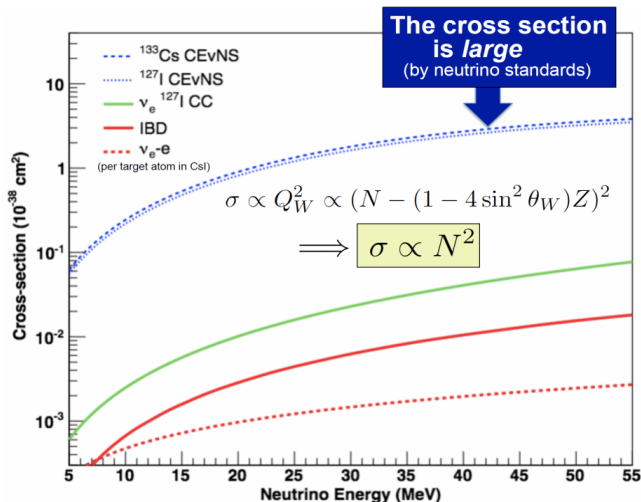
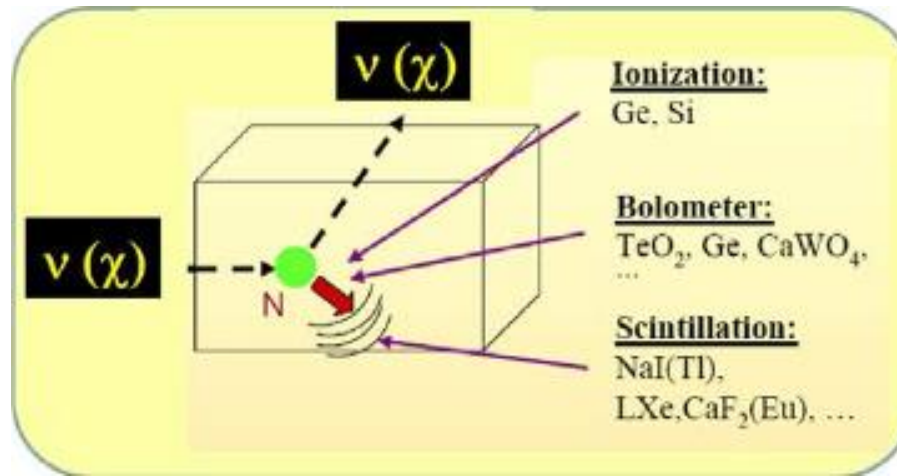
- Mobile CEvNS reactor antineutrino detector
- **Low energy threshold for nuclear recoil energy**
(should be $< 2 \text{ keV}$ (270 eV) to detect CEvNS with $E < 8$ (3) MeV & $< 50 \text{ eV}$ to observe neutrinos with $E < 1.8 \text{ MeV}$)
- **Sufficient neutrino target mass**
- High-purity and low-radioactivity neutrino target
- **Efficient neutron shielding and veto component**



- Use *20~30 kg of scintillating CsI(Na) or ionizing radiation PPC Ge crystals* as a phonon (lattice vibration) excitation detector.
- Use *a cryogenic sensor for phonon detection.*
- Detect both phonons and photons (or e-h pairs) coming from the recoil energy in the crystal in order to obtain the energy threshold at 10 eV.

High Performance Crystal as Neutrino Target

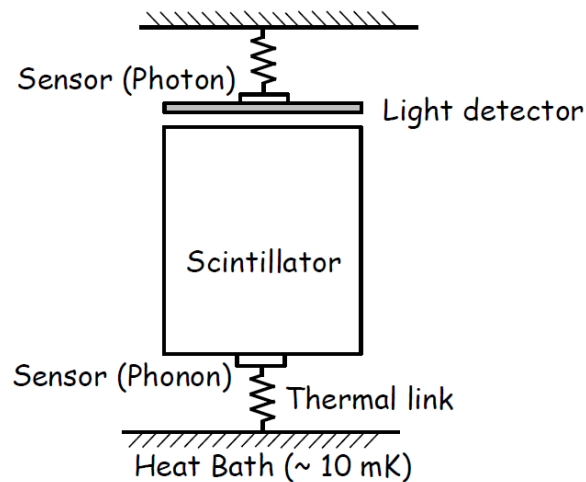
- Use a **scintillating CsI(Na)** or **ionizing PPC Ge** crystal that contains a *heavy, neutron-rich nucleus* providing *sufficient CEvNS cross section* and reasonable recoil energy (<2 keV).



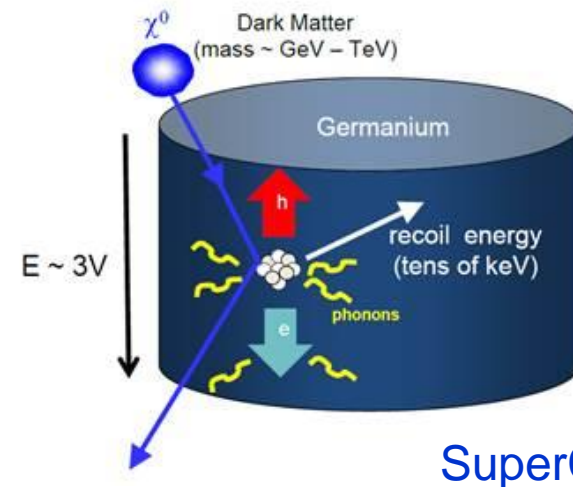
Detection of Phonon and Photon/Ionization

- A simultaneous measurement of both heat and scintillation enables significant reduction of backgrounds and particle identification (β/γ and α) in order to achieve a nuclear recoil energy threshold as low as 10 eV.

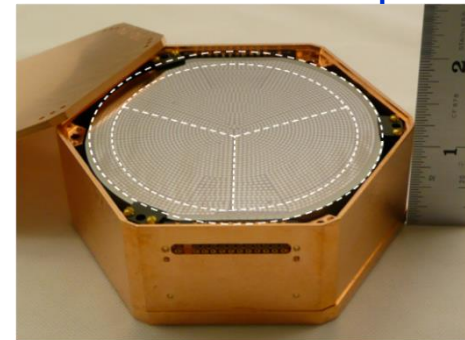
Phonon & Photon Cryogenic Detector



Phonon & Ionization Cryogenic Detector

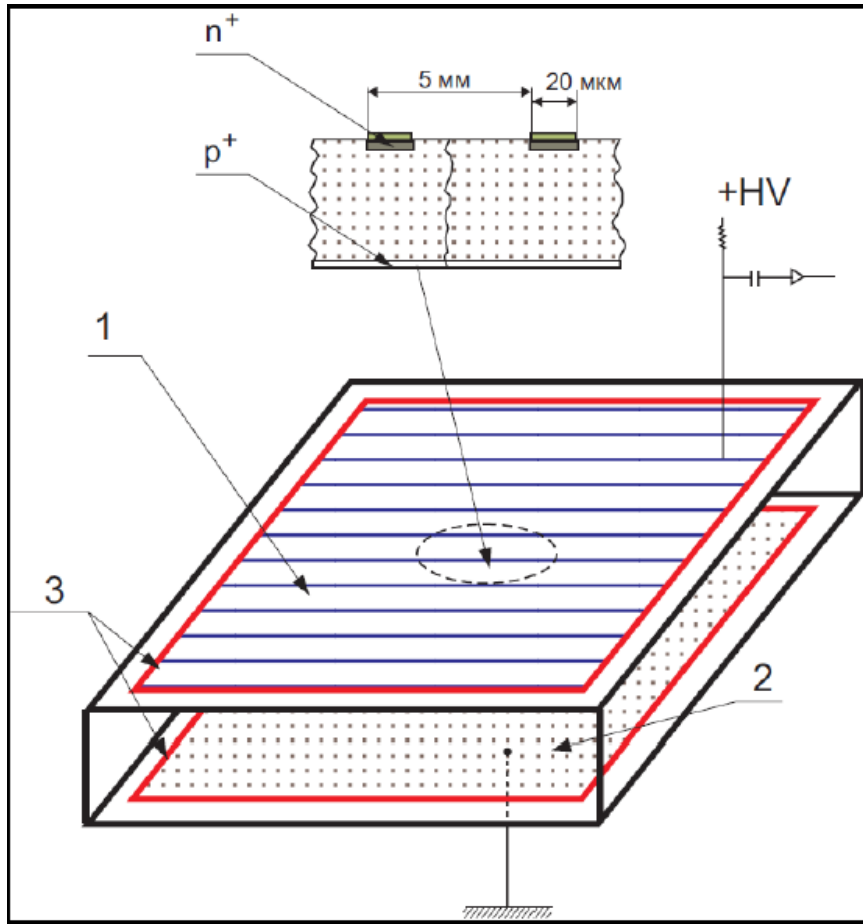


SuperCDMS



R&D for Ge Ionization Amplification

Development of Ge planar strip detector



Participation in international collaborative efforts

GEMADARC

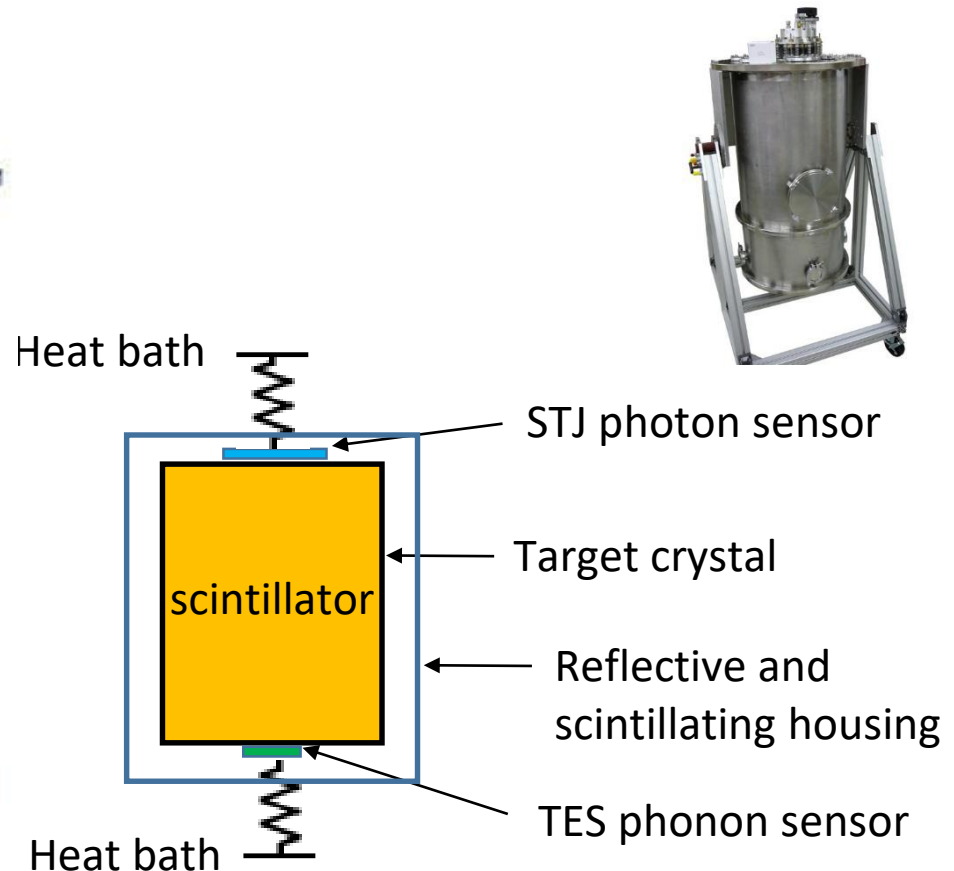
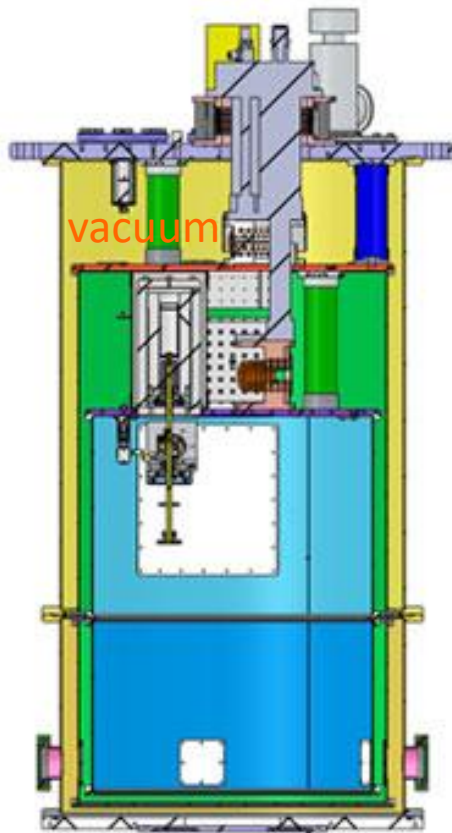
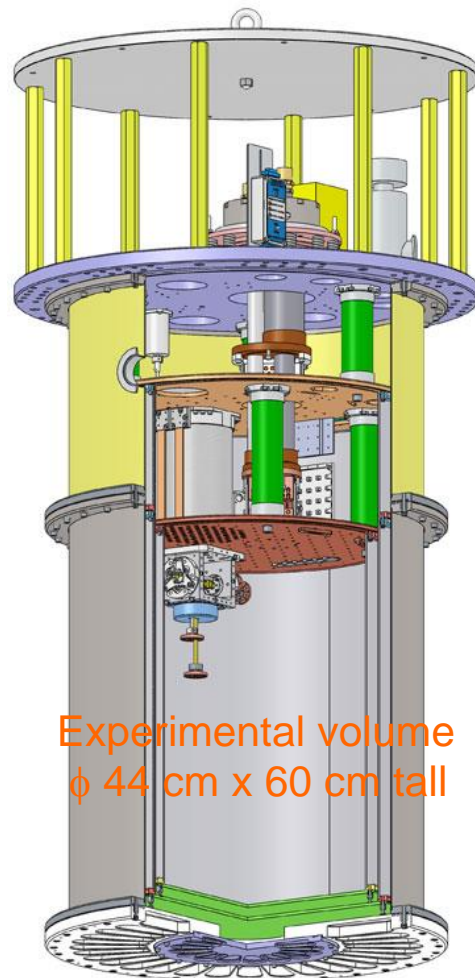
Germanium Materials and Detectors
Advancement Research Consortium



- Charge amplification by electric field of 10^5 V/m
- Obtain recoil energy threshold as low as 10 eV with liquid nitrogen cooling

Cryogenic Bolometric Detector

- *A thermal signal from nuclear recoil energy* is observed by a cryogenic phonon sensor (STJ or TES) and used to determine the energy deposited.



Section view of 104 Olympus ADR cryostat showing pulse-tube head, adiabatic demagnetization refrigerator (ϕ 55 cm x 110 cm)

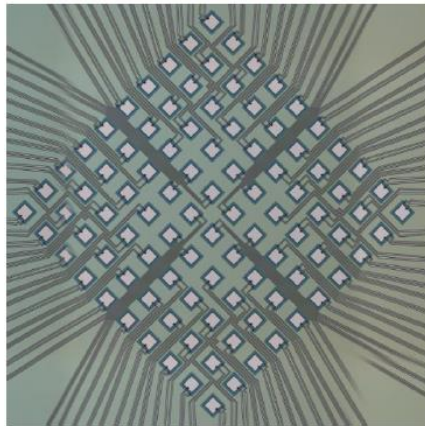
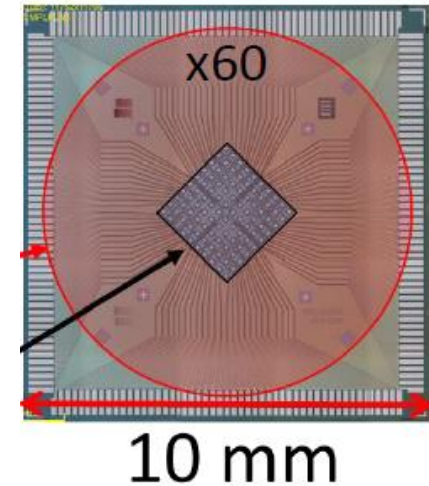
Multi-pixel STJ Array Detector

National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)



The STJs were fabricated in the clean room for analog-digital superconductivity (CRAVITY) at AIST.

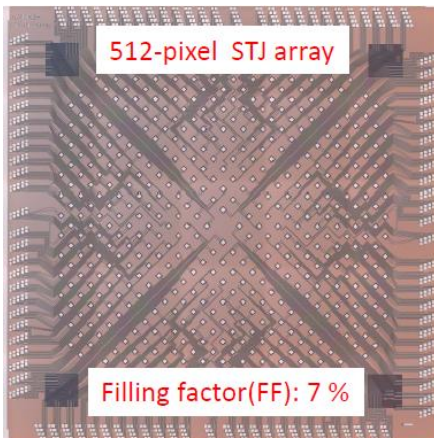
100-pixel STJ array



Developed 100-pixel STJ array

- Detection area : **1 mm²**
- Mean energy resolution : **6.7 eV@400 eV**
- Max. counting rate : **100 kcps**

Development of 1000 pixels STJ array

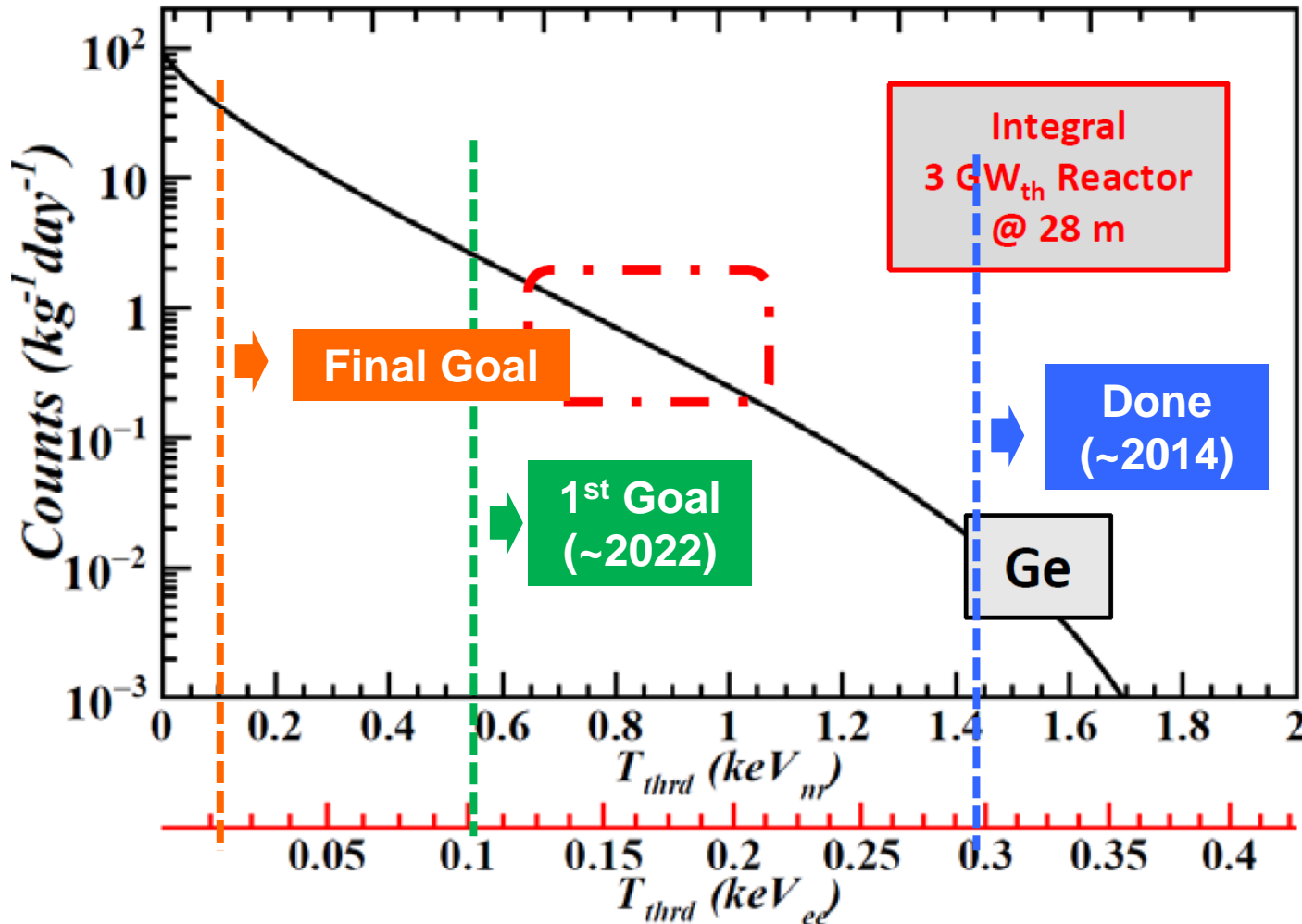


We have developed **1024-pixel STJ array** spectrometer and evaluated the performances.

- Operation yield: **~ 95 %**
- Mean energy resolution: **12.6 eV**

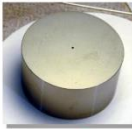
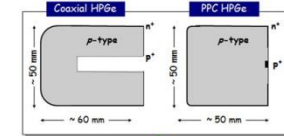
Expected Nuclear Recoil Energy Threshold

- Efforts on lowering the recoil energy threshold to a few tens of eV.



Point-contact HPGe detector

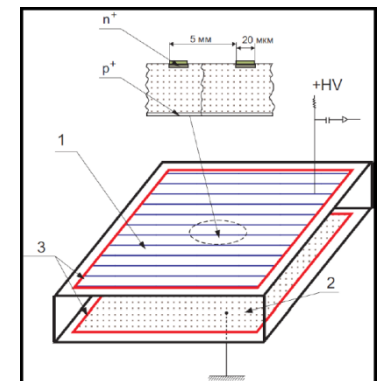
- First developed in the late 1980s as large volume, low noise HPGe detectors
- ~ 1 pF capacitance
- ~ 300 eV noise threshold



- Recently "rediscovered" for neutrino detection, ν_s dark matter search, etc.

- MAJORANA, GERDA, CoGeNT, CDEX,...

Ge-ionization development



- Light yield of CsI(Na) at cryogenic temperature ~8K : $x5$ enhancement from 54/keV

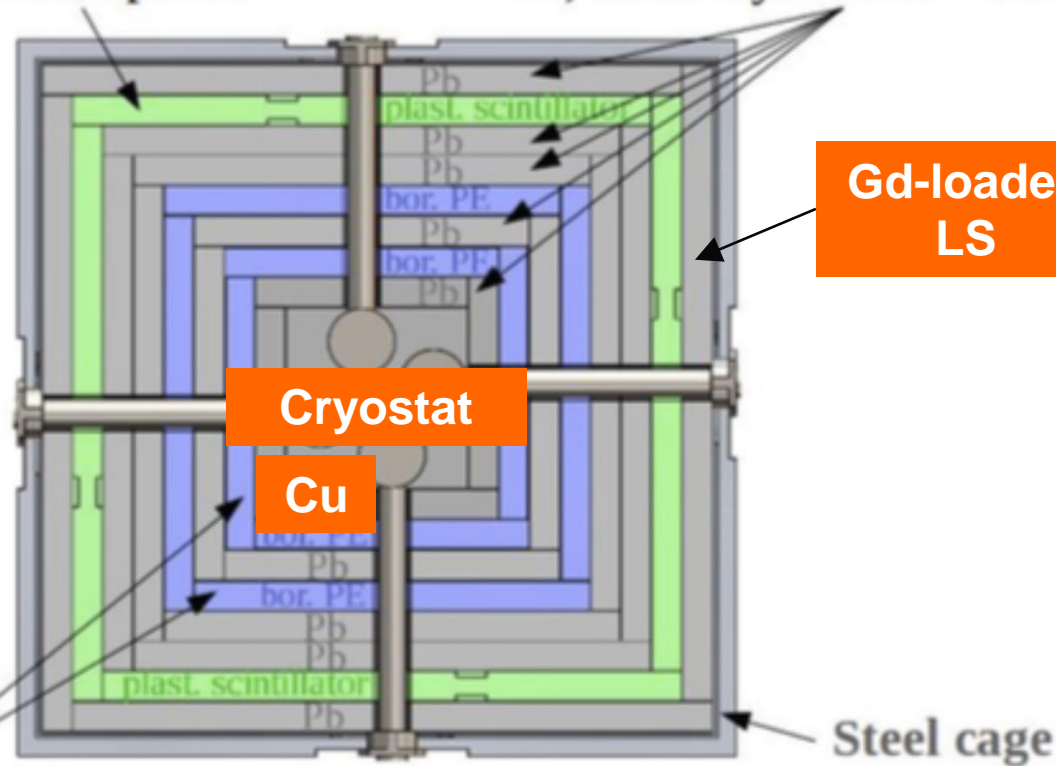
Efficient Neutron Shielding and Active Veto

Active muon veto:

Plastic scintillator plates with PMTs

Shield against nat. radioactivity:

Pb, inner layers low ^{210}Pb content



Moderate and capture neutrons:

Polyethylene plates with boron from boron acid,

boron acid enriched in ^{10}B (equivalent to 3% nat. boron)

* Borrowed from CONUS

Research Programs and Schedule

Development of CEvNS reactor Antineutrino Detector



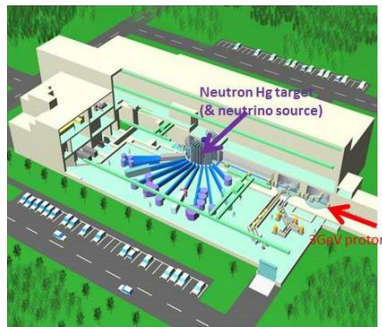
CEvNS observation of reactor neutrino at nuclear power plant

(2025)



CEvNS detection of HANARO research reactor neutrino with LOCOND

(2023-2024)



(2021)

CEvNS detection using DAR neutrino beam at J-PARC MLF

(2022)



1 kg LOCOND prototype

Sterile Neutrino Search at JSNS²



Sterile Neutrino

Sterile neutrino : insight for the questions beyond the SM
(e.g. PLB 631, 151 (2005))

- No strong, EM and weak interactions
- Introduced to explain both results of LSND and LEP
- **Maybe recognized by neutrino oscillations**
- Could be right-handed neutrino or new particle
- Beyond the PMNS standard oscillation
- Indicated by **LSND, MiniBooNE, reactor anomaly, and Ga experiment**

Sterile neutrino can be also one of the Dark Matter candidate?

Hints for Sterile Neutrino ($\Delta m^2 \sim 1 \text{ eV}^2$)

- Anomalies that cannot be explained by standard neutrino oscillations for ~ 20 years

Experiments	Neutrino source	signal	significance	E(MeV),L(m)
LSND	μ Decay-At-Rest	$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$	3.8σ	40,30
MiniBooNE	π Decay-In-Flight	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$	4.5σ	800,600
		$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$	2.8σ	
		combined	4.8σ	
Ga (calibration)	e capture	$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_x$	2.7σ	<3,10
Reactors	Beta decay	$\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_x$	3.0σ	3,10-100

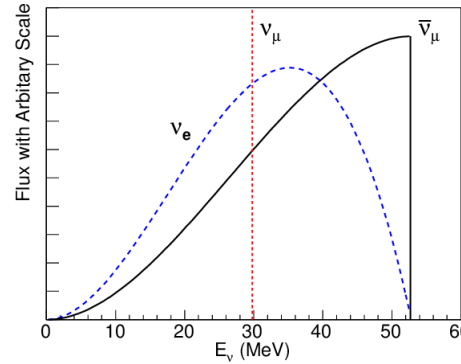
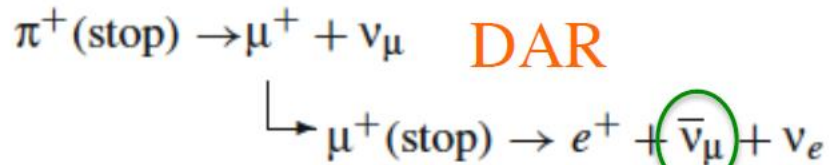
- Excess or deficit does really exist?
- A new oscillation between active and inactive (sterile) neutrinos?
- However, no indication for $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ and negative results from recent reactor measurements using energy spectra

Please also see
M.Dentler et al
JHEP 08, 010 (2018)
for recent reviews

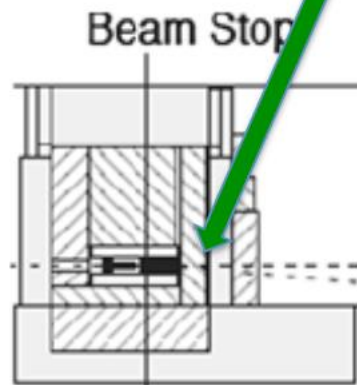
LSND $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ Signal

1998 at LANL

($\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance)

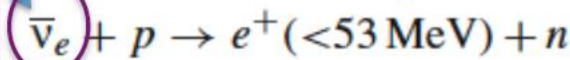


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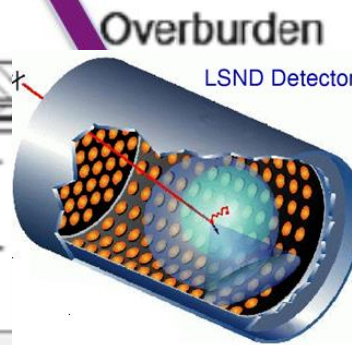
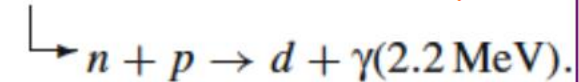


Liquid Scintillator

Delayed
Coincidence
 $\Delta t \sim 200 \mu\text{s}$



IBD



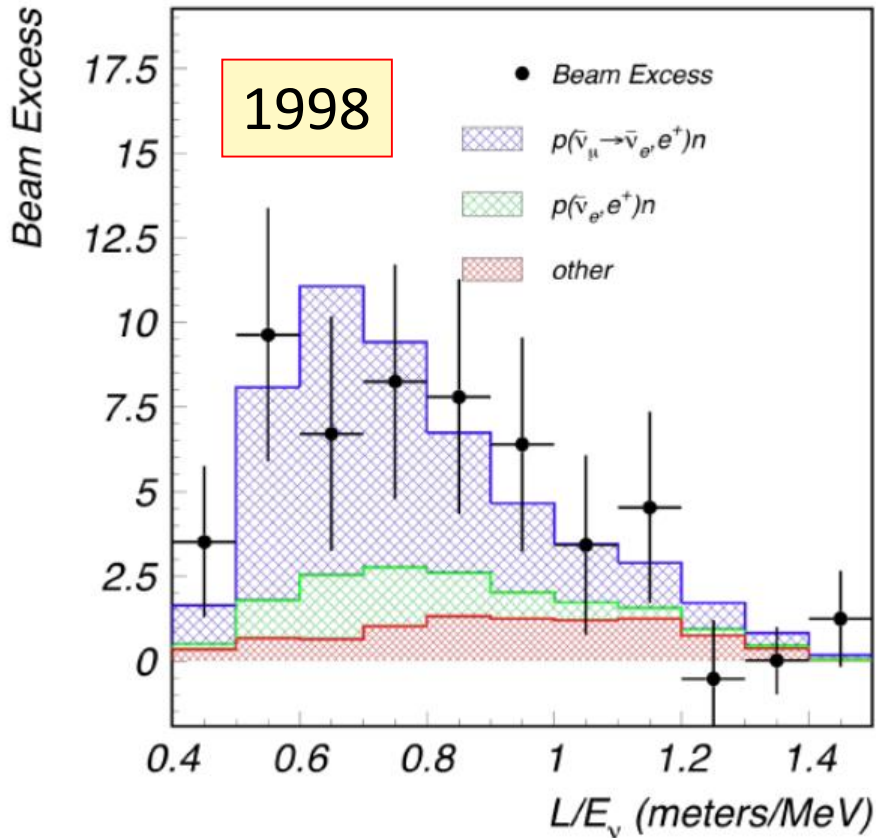
LSND Detector
and Veto System

Water Plug

Electronics
Caboose

30 m

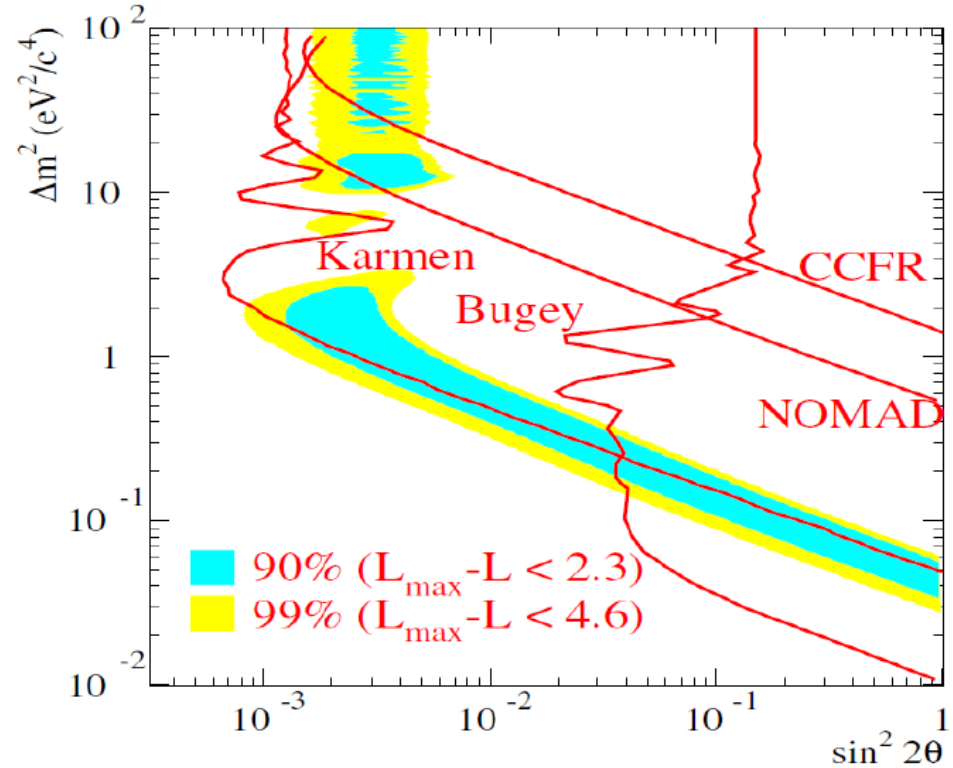
LSND Results and Allowed Region



Saw an excess of:
 $87.9 \pm 22.4 \pm 6.0$ events.

With an oscillation probability of
 $(0.264 \pm 0.067 \pm 0.045)\%$.

3.8 σ evidence for oscillation. $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \simeq 0.003$

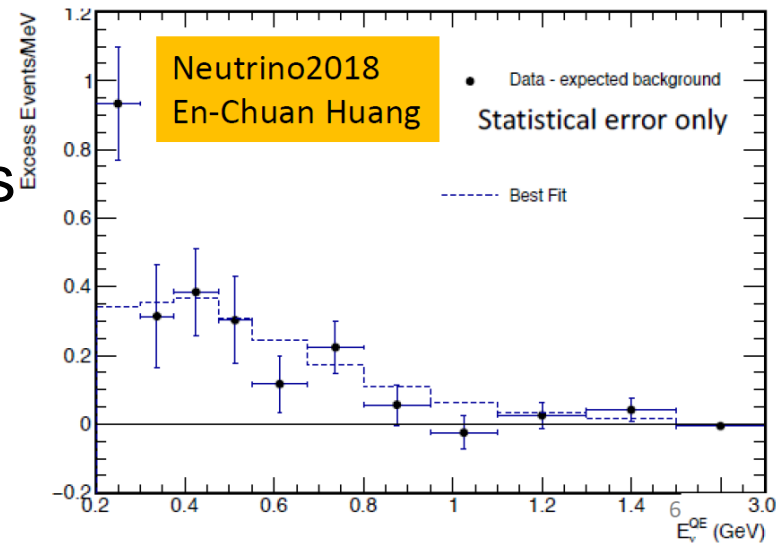
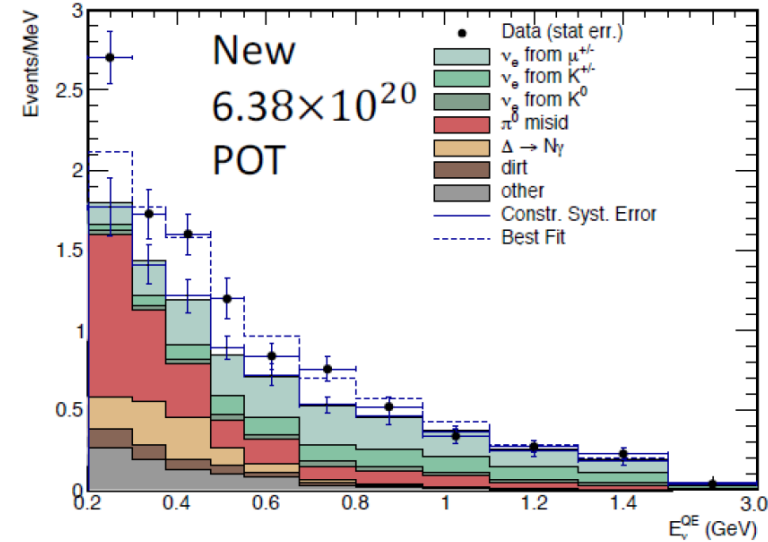
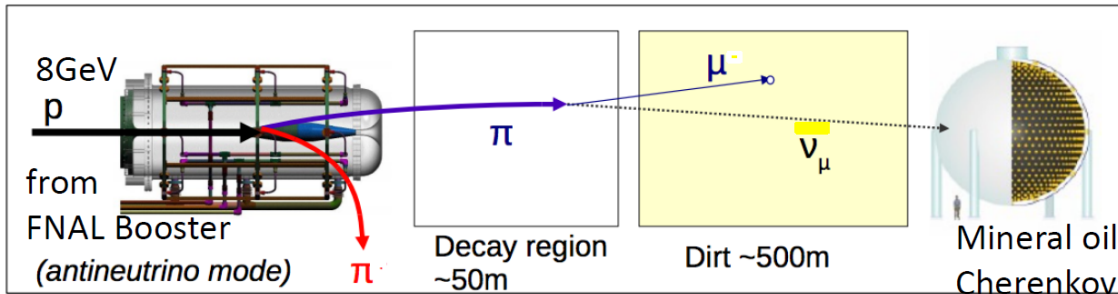


$$\Delta m_{\text{SBL}}^2 \gtrsim 0.1 \text{ eV}^2 \gg \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2$$

(1990-1995, 1997-1999)

But signal not seen by **KARMEN** at
 $L \simeq 18$ m with the same method

MiniBooNE Latest Results



- Significant excess of low energy events : 4.5σ
- The excess is claimed due to the same oscillation observed by the LSND.
- Concerns on systematic uncertainties of neutrino interactions and background understanding
- MicroBooNE can check the excess due to the gamma rays or electron antineutrinos

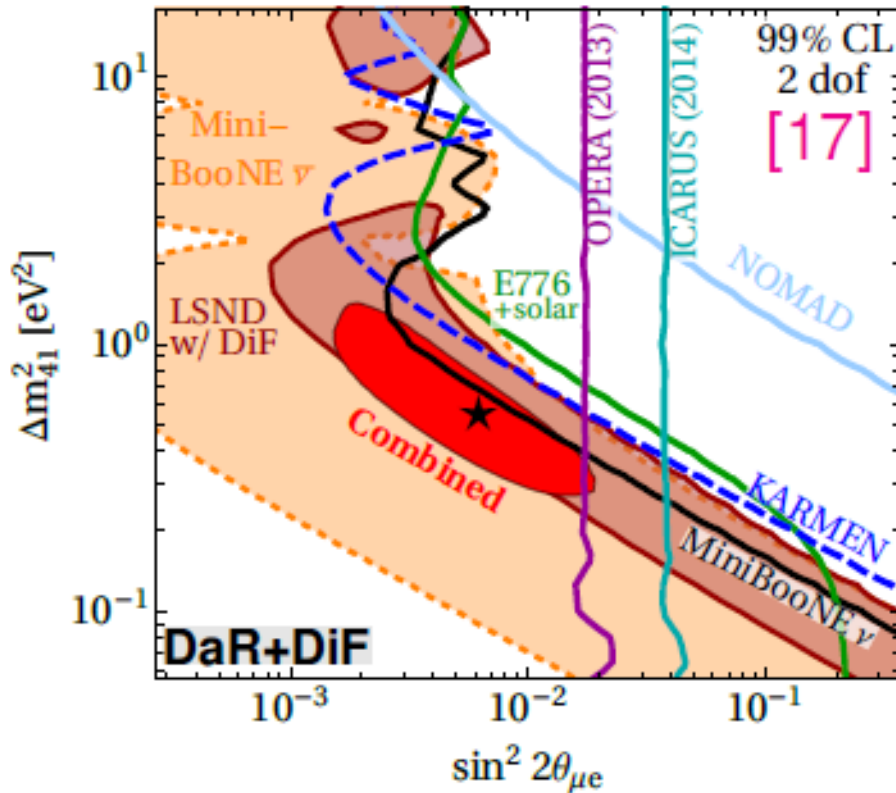
Sterile Neutrino Oscillation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \\ \nu_s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & U_{e4} \\ U_{\mu1} & U_{\mu2} & U_{\mu3} & U_{\mu4} \\ U_{\tau1} & U_{\tau2} & U_{\tau3} & U_{\tau4} \\ U_{s1} & U_{s2} & U_{s3} & U_{s4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \\ \nu_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|U_{s4}|^2 \sim 0.9, \quad |U_{e4}|^2 \sim 0.1, \quad |U_{\mu4}|^2 \sim 0.01$$

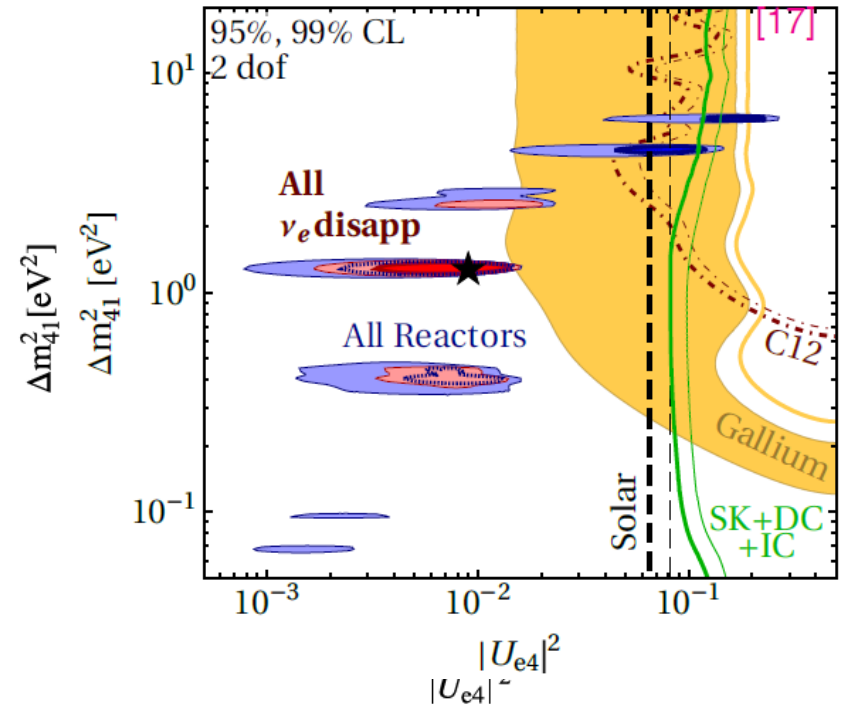
$$m_4 > 1\text{eV}$$

ν_e Appearance



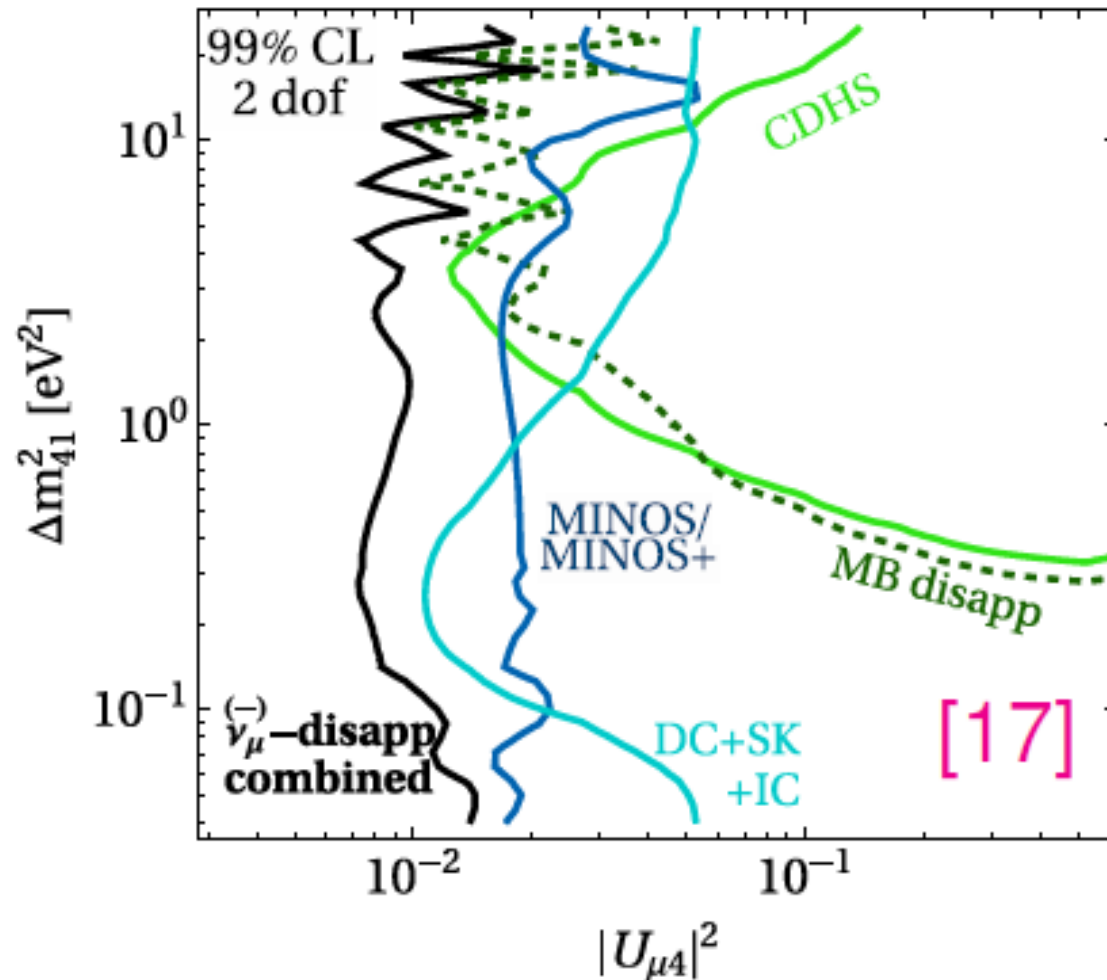
ν_e Disappearance

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} \sim 1 - 4|U_{s4}|^2|U_{e4}|^2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{m_4^2 L}{4E} \right)$$



Sterile Neutrino Oscillation

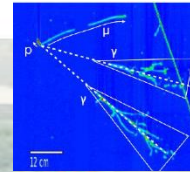
Null results of ν_μ disappearance



SBN Program at Fermilab

3 LArTPCs in the Booster Neutrino Beamline

arXiv:1503.01520, January 2014



600 m, 470 t

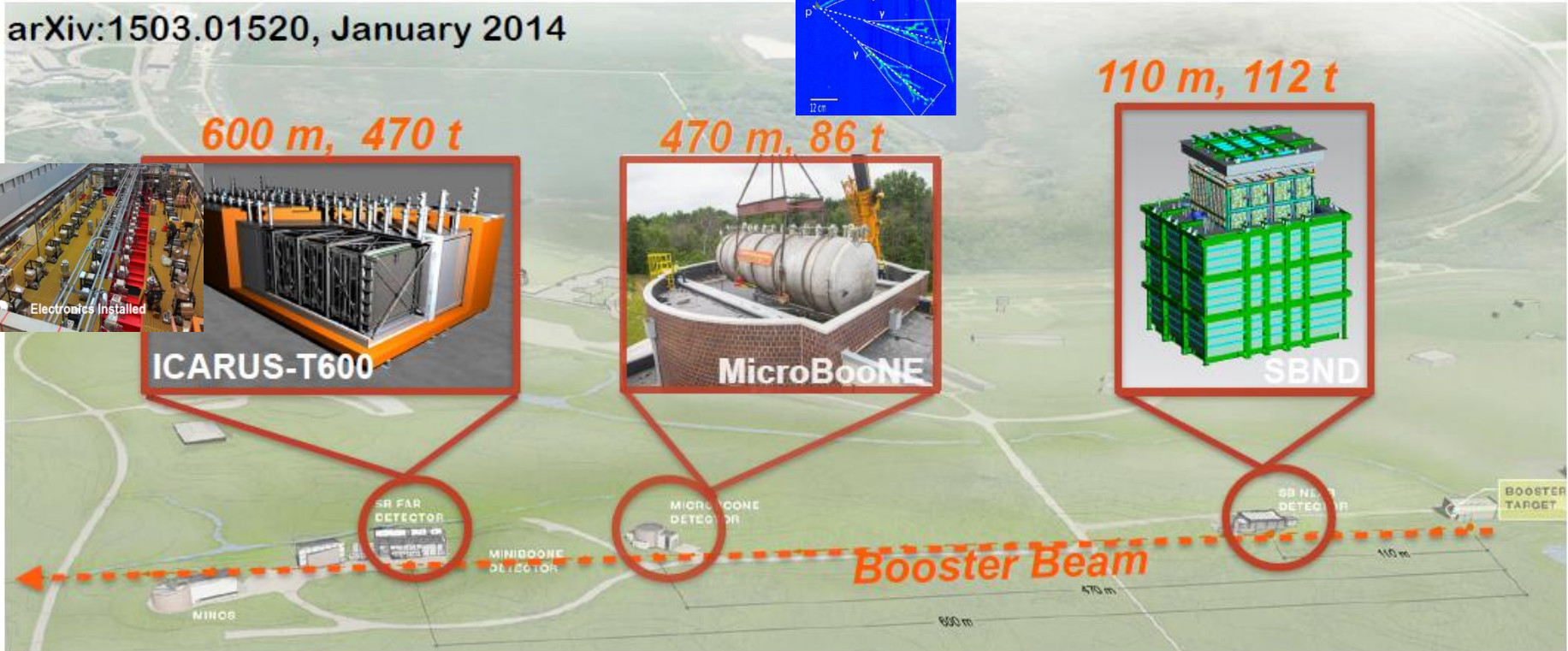
ICARUS-T600

470 m, 86 t

MicroBooNE

110 m, 112 t

SBND

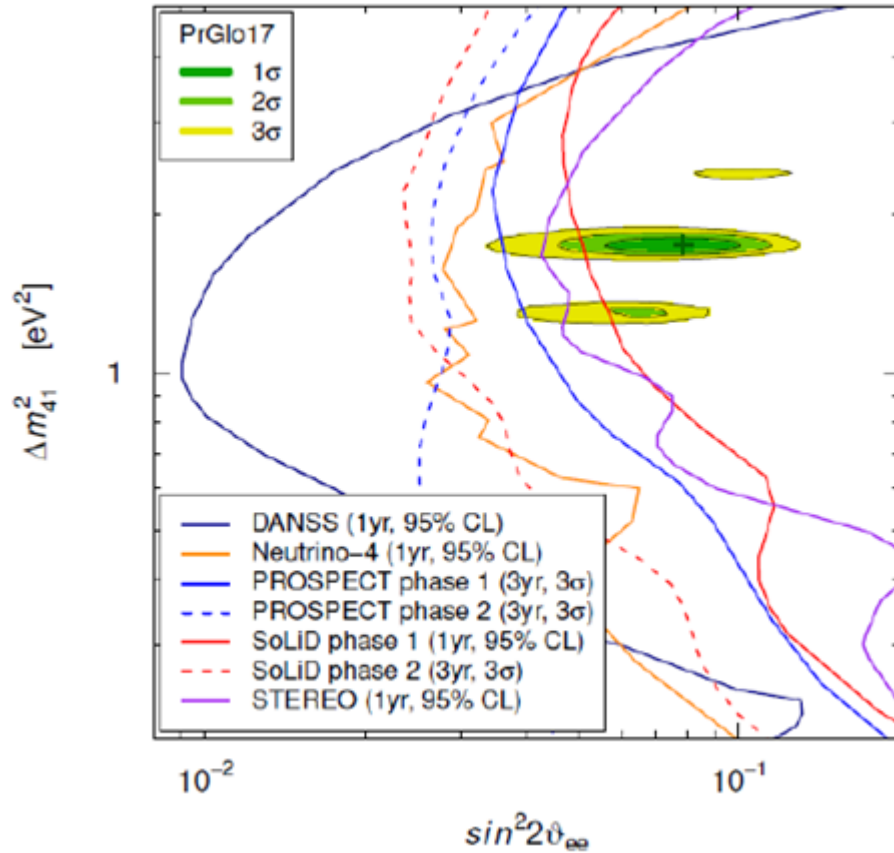


Direct test for MiniBooNE Anomaly.

SBND (first data in ~~2019~~ 2021)
MicroBooNE (first data in late-2015)
ICARUS (first data in ~~2019~~ 2020)

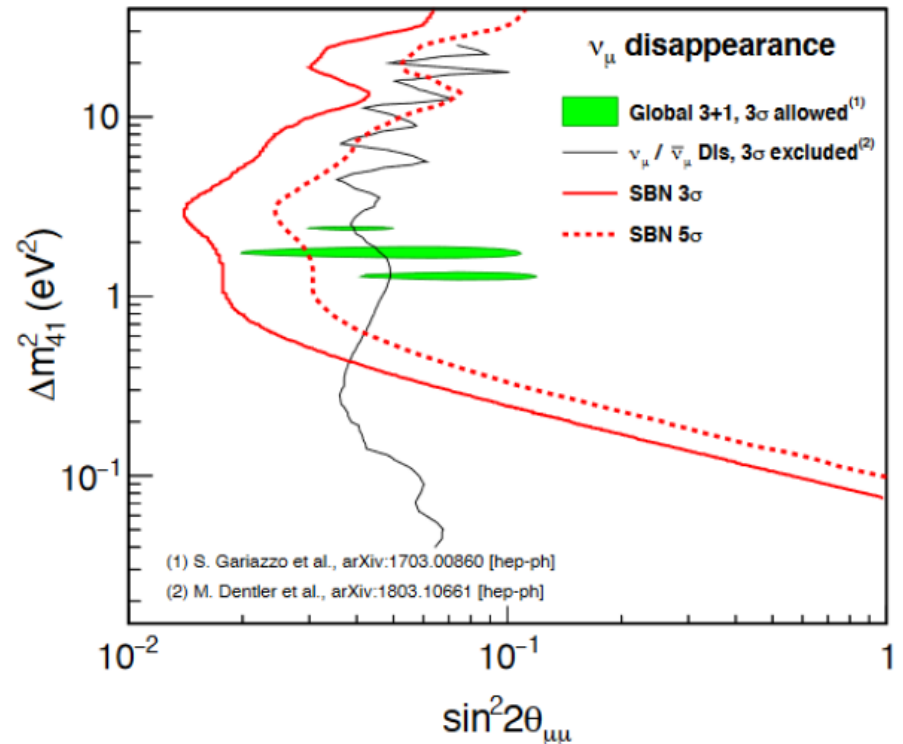
Future Sterile Neutrino Search

$\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ (Reactor disappearance)



$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu$

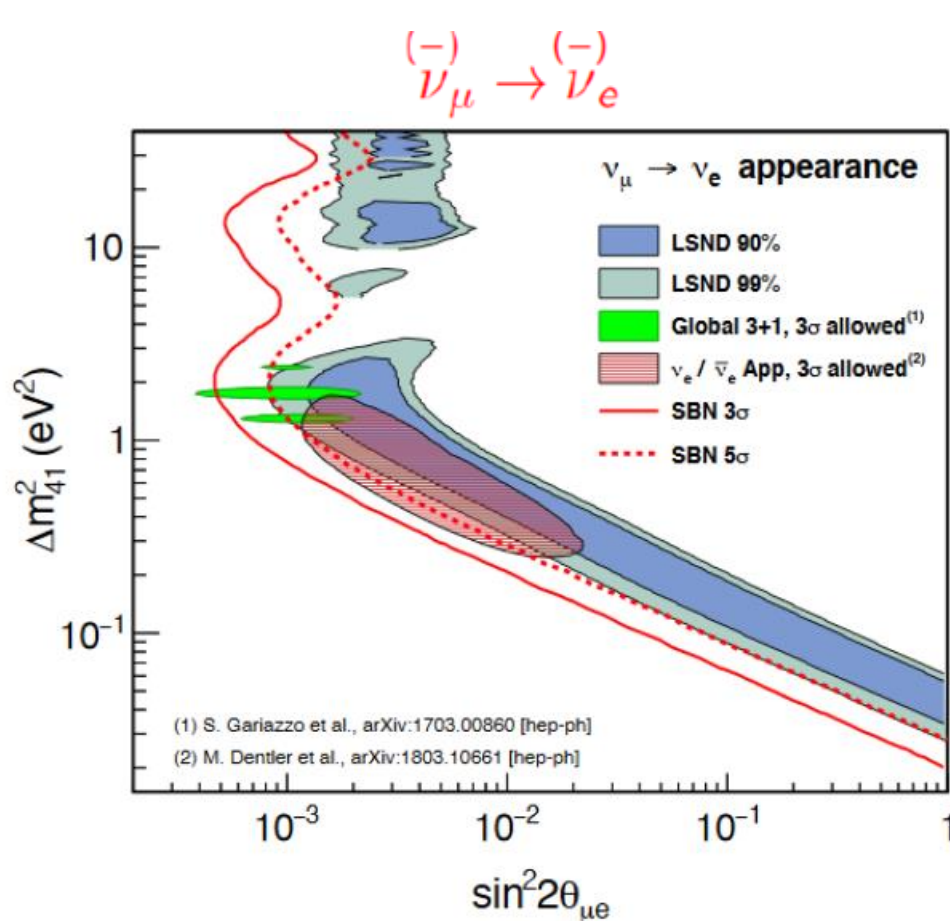
3 yrs



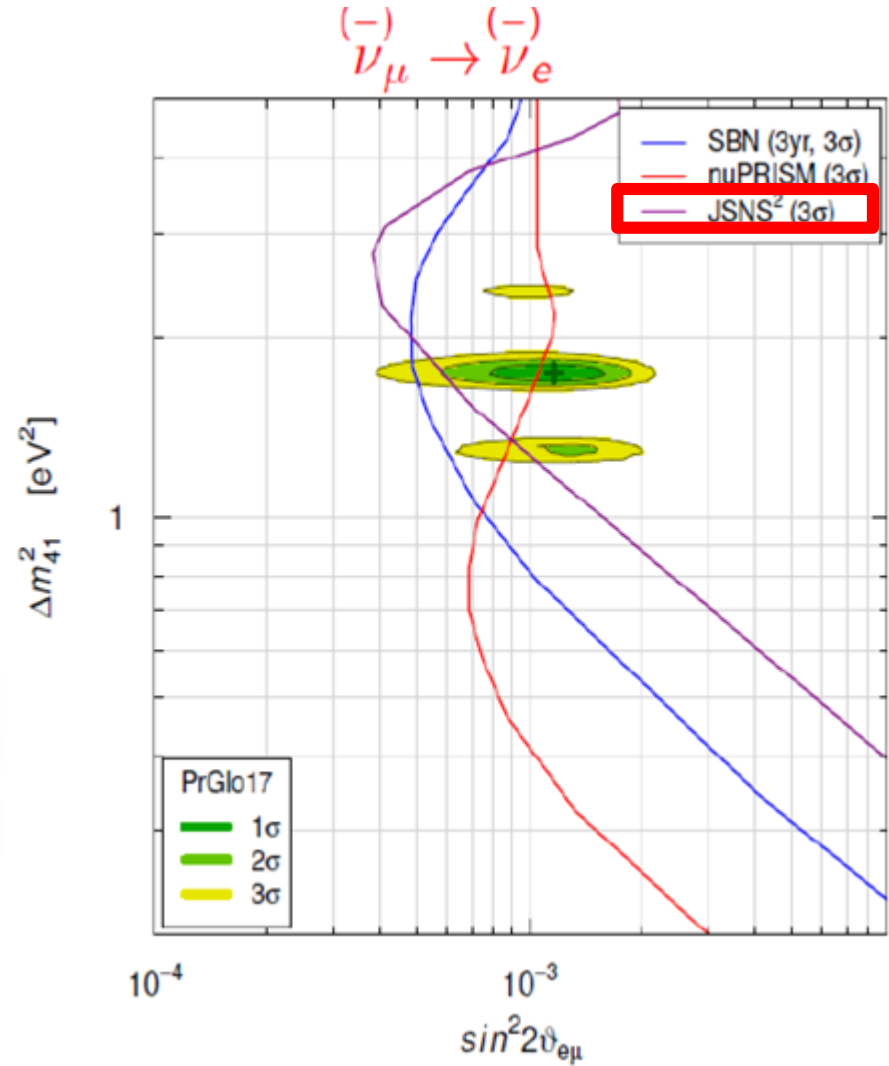
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in NuFact2019

Future Sterile Neutrino Search



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JSNS² Experiment
***(J-PARC Sterile Neutrino Search
at J-PARC Spallation Neutron Source)***





JSNS² Collaboration



JAEA
KEK
Kitasato
Kyoto
Osaka
Tohoku



Soongsil
Dongshin
GIST
Seoyeong
Chonnam
Seoul
Chonbuk
Kyungpook
Sungkyunkwan
Seoul Sci Tech



Alabama
BNL
Florida
Michigan



Sussex

Improved Search at JSNS²

- Direct test of the LSND with better sensitivity
 - Muon antineutrino beam from **muon Decay At Rest (DAR)**
- **Narrow ($\sim 9 \mu\text{s}$) pulsed (every 40 ms) neutrino beam** at J-PARC MLF : (vs. continuous beam used by LSND)
 - Pure muon decay at rest
 - Narrow timing window for cosmic ray rejection
 - No decay-in-flight source
 - No beam induced fast neutrons
 - The neutrino energy spectrum is perfectly known
 - The neutrino beam already available
- Improved detector :
 - **Gd doped LS**
 - significant reduction of backgrounds by a tighter ($\sim 1/6$) time coincidence and a higher (2.2 \rightarrow 8 MeV) delayed energy + well-known cross section of IBD

JSNS²: J-PARC E56 Sterile ν search @MLF

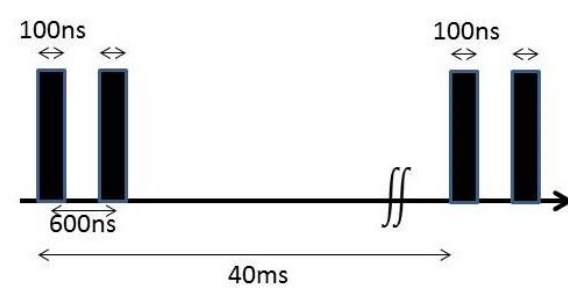
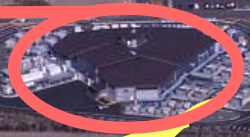
<http://research.kek.jp/group/mlfnu/eng>

**J-PARC Facility
(KEK/JAEA)**

South to North

400MeV

3 GeV RCS



25Hz, 1MW (design)

**Neutrino Beams
(to Kamioka)**

**Materials and Life
Science Experimental
Facility (MLF)**

30GeV MR

Hadron hall

- CY2007 Beams** (Red line)
- JFY2008 Beams** (Yellow line)
- JFY2009 Beams** (Blue line)

Bird's eye photo in January of 2008

JSNS² at J-PARC MLF

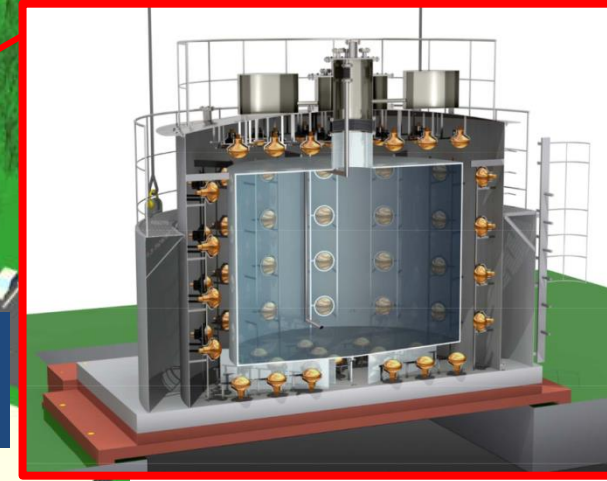
MLF building (bird's view)

Detector @ 3rd floor
(24m from target)

Hg target = Neutron
and Neutrino source

50t liquid scintillator detector
(17t Gd-loaded LS in target)
(4.6m diameter x 4.0m height)
~120 10" PMTs

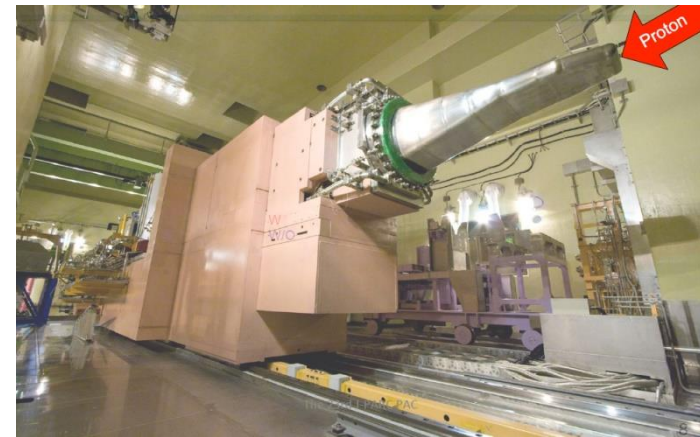
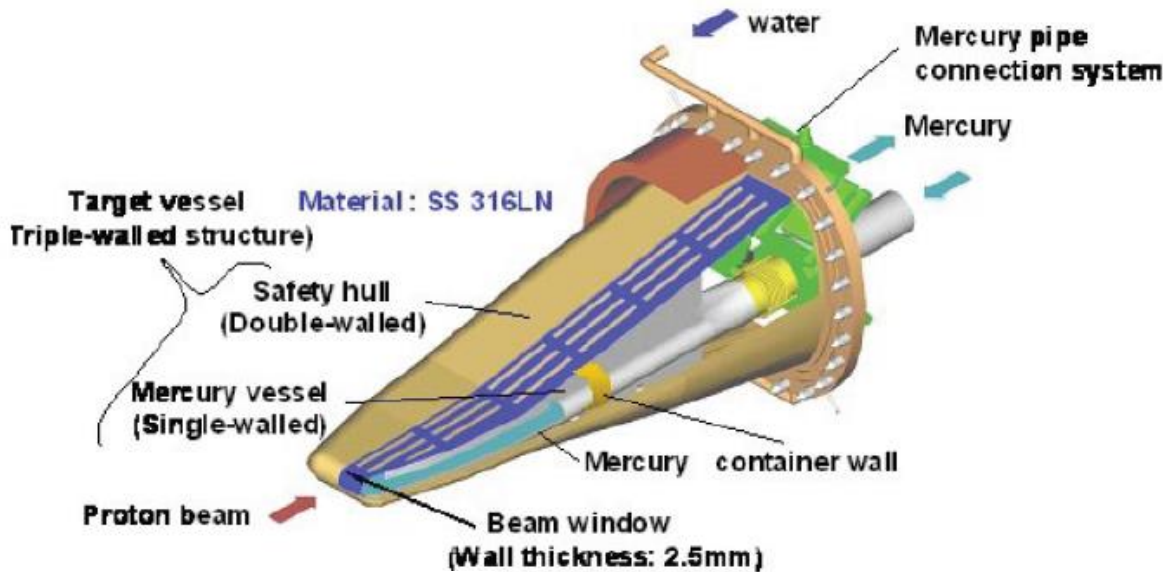
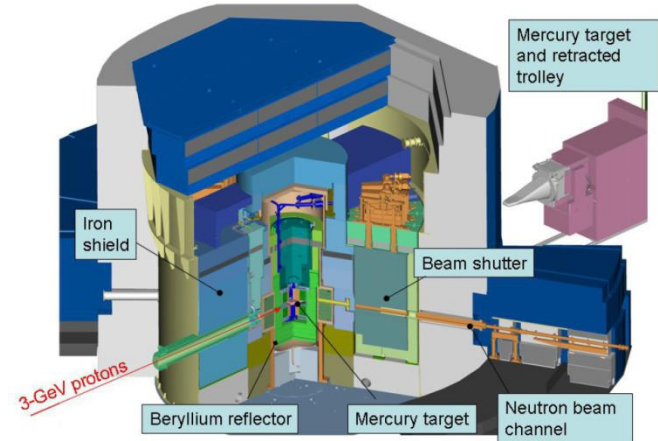
3GeV pulsed proton
beam



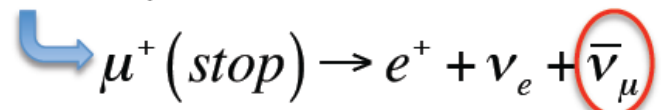
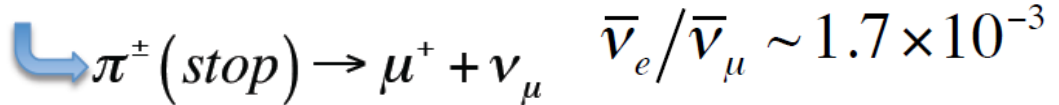
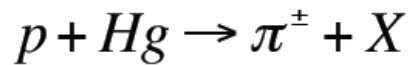
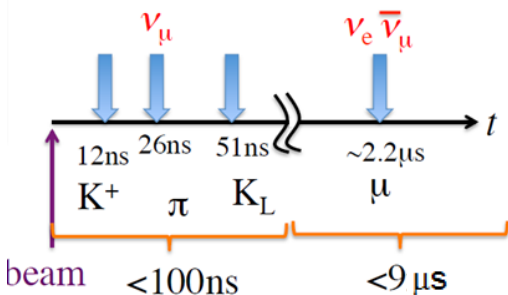
Searching for neutrino oscillation : $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ with baseline of 24m.
no new beamline, no new buildings are needed \rightarrow quick start-up

Neutrino Source: Mercury Target at MLF

- World-class high intensity neutron source driven by high power proton beam
 - beam energy: 3 GeV
 - design beam power: 1 MW



Timing of the ν production



Timing and Energy of Neutrino Beam

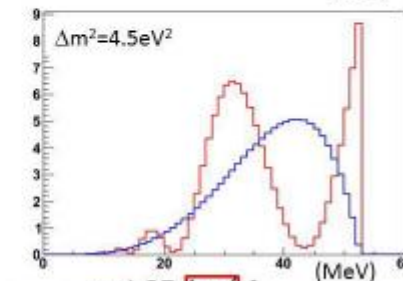
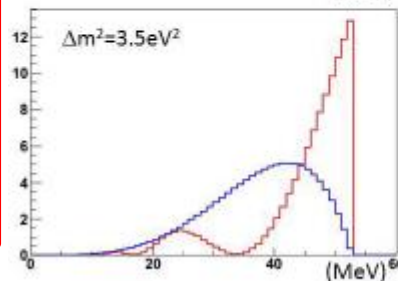
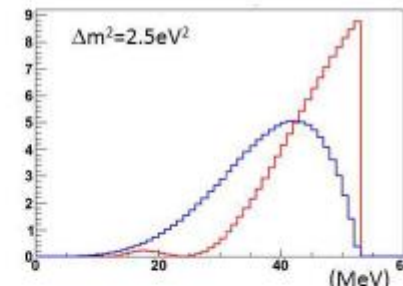
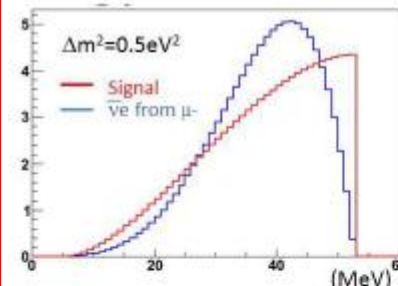
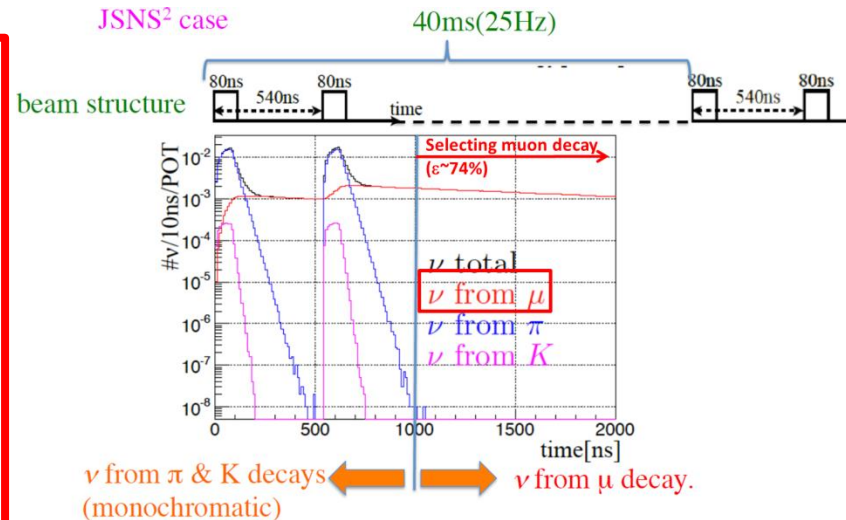
- **Timing:** Ultra-pure ν from μ^+ Decay-at-Rest by a pulsed neutrino beam

- Removal of ν from π and K with beam timing
- Removal of beam fast neutrons w/ time
- Reduction of cosmic BKG by $9\mu\text{s}$ time window.

- **Energy:** Good for signal BKG separation

- Well-known spectrum of ν from μ
- Easy energy reconstruction of IBD. ($E_\nu \sim E_{\text{vis}} + 0.8\text{MeV}$)
- Highly suppressed ν from μ^-

$$\bar{\nu}_e / \bar{\nu}_\mu \sim 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

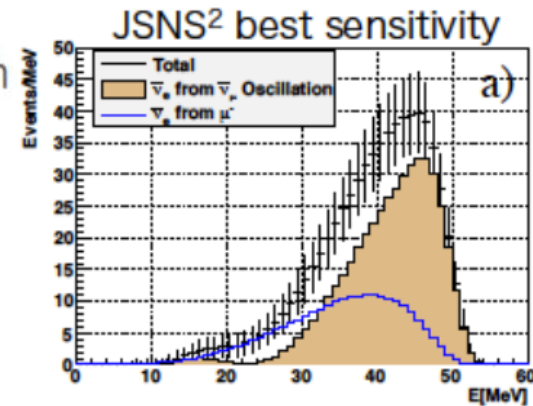


$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2 2\theta \cdot \sin^2 \left(\frac{1.27 \cdot \Delta m^2 \cdot L}{E_\nu} \right)$$

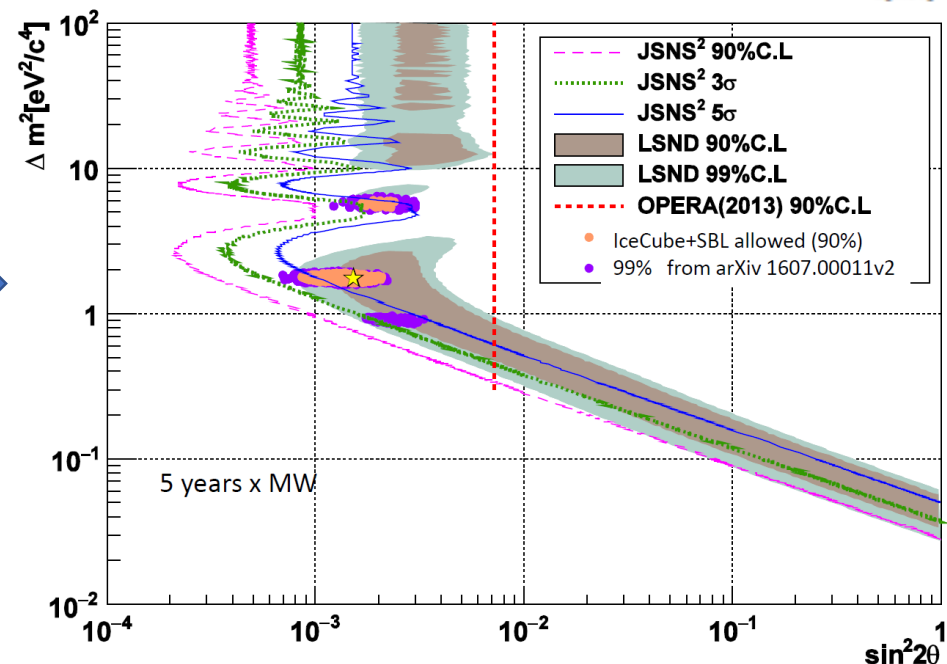
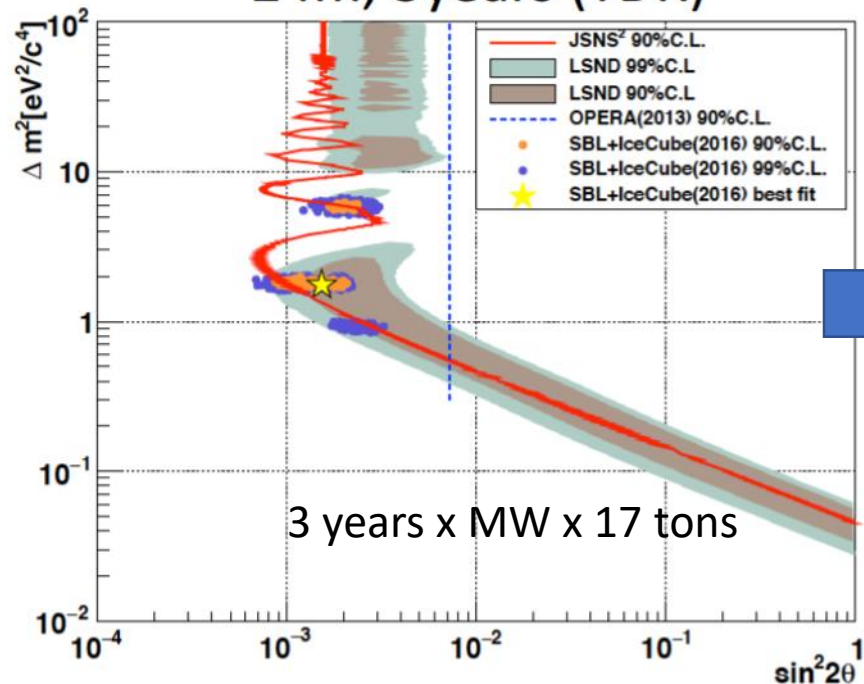
- Energy is smeared by $15\%/\sqrt{E}$ (detector E resolution)

Signal Extraction & Sensitivity

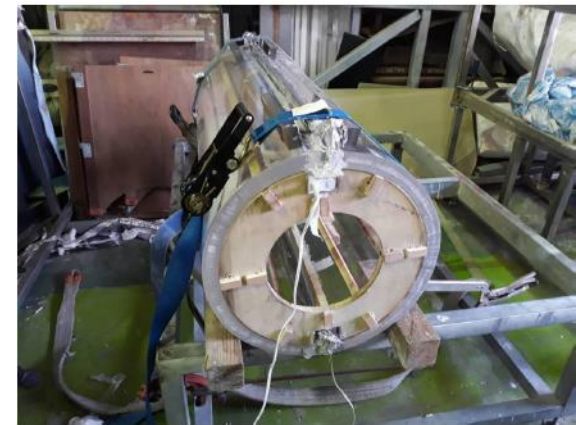
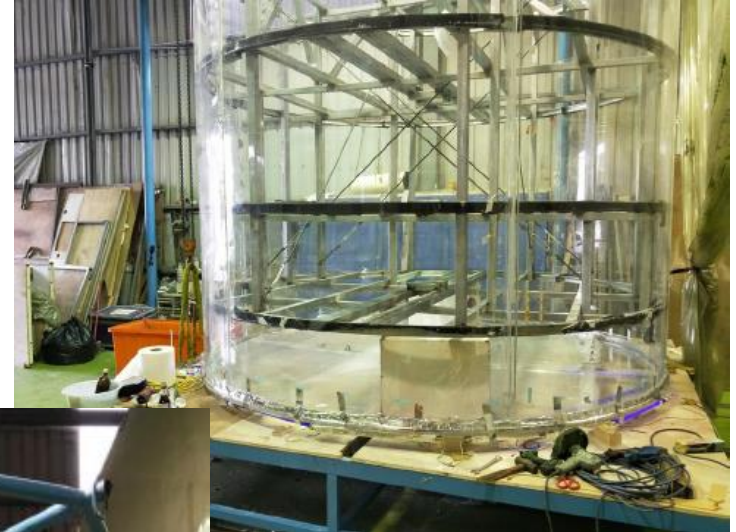
- Signal events can be distinguished from the dominant background (from another neutrino process) by using the difference of energy distributions
- Most of the parameter region indicated by LSND exp. can be explored with more than 5σ significance in 5 years with 1MW beam power



24m, 3years (TDR)



Construction of Acrylic Vessel



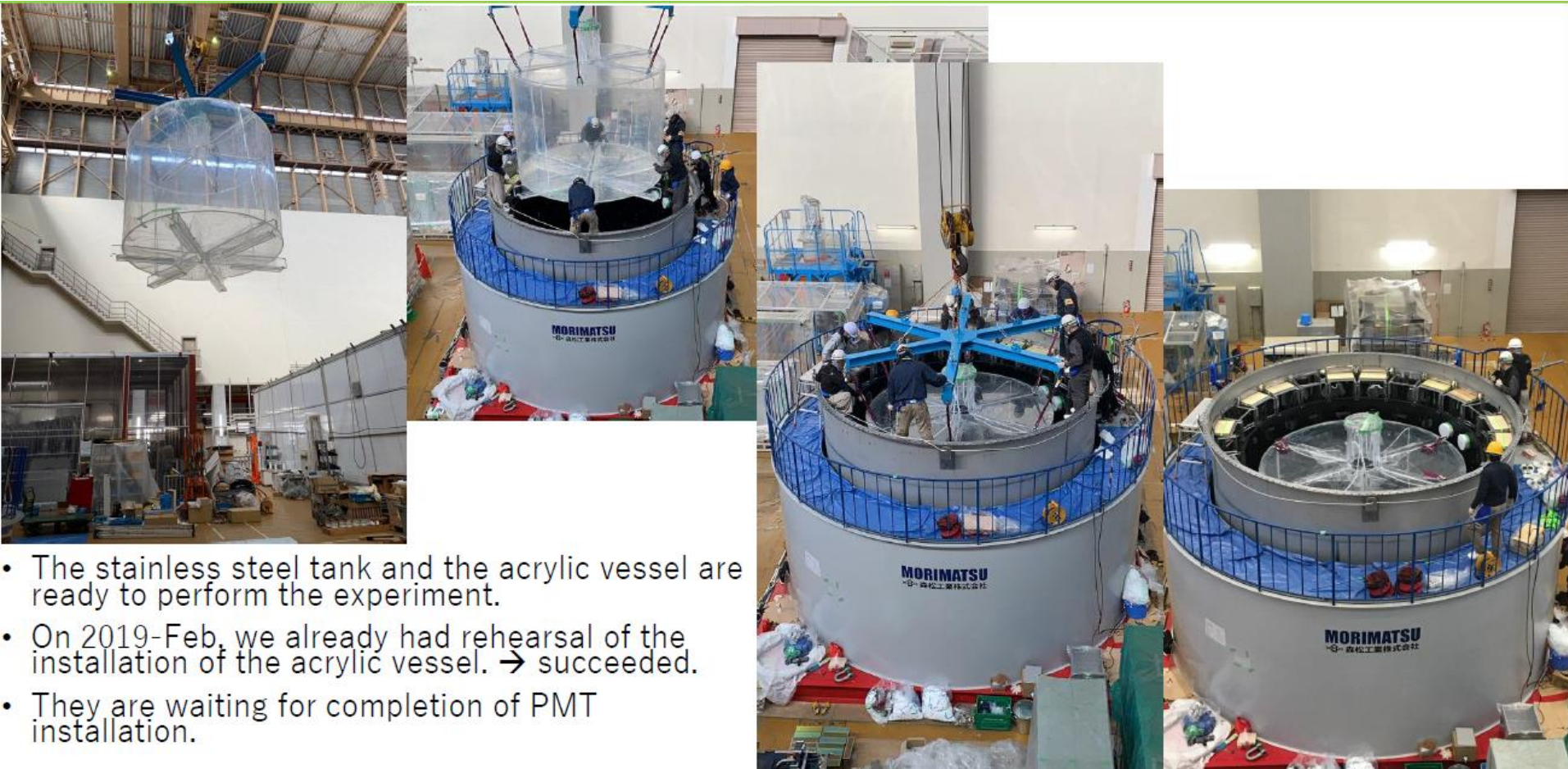
Relocated SUS Tank (Mar. 14, 2018)



There were no big issues.



SUS Tank and Acrylic Vessel at J-PARC



- The stainless steel tank and the acrylic vessel are ready to perform the experiment.
- On 2019-Feb, we already had rehearsal of the installation of the acrylic vessel. → succeeded.
- They are waiting for completion of PMT installation.

PMT Installation

PMT support structure



Reflection sheet



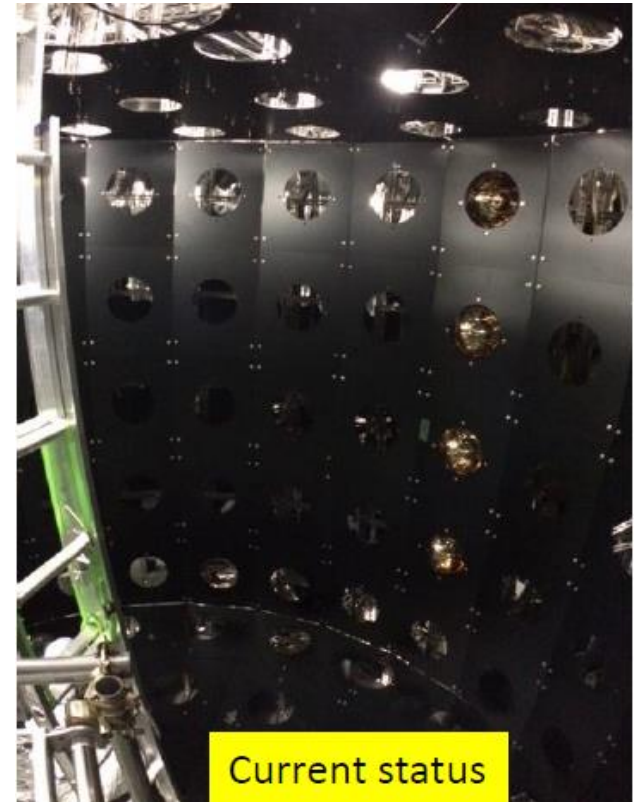
- 105 PMTs from RENO, Korea
- 23 PMTs from DC, Japan
- 33 PMTs installed and ~40 will be installed till Oct. 2019.
- 50 more PMTs will arrive before Dec. 2019.



PMT installation



PMT



Current status

Liquid Scintillator by Ko

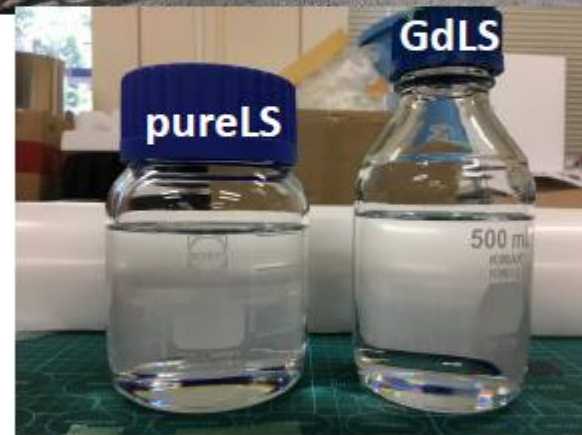
35 tons of LS was produced at RENO site and delivered to

LS and GdLS storage in Japan

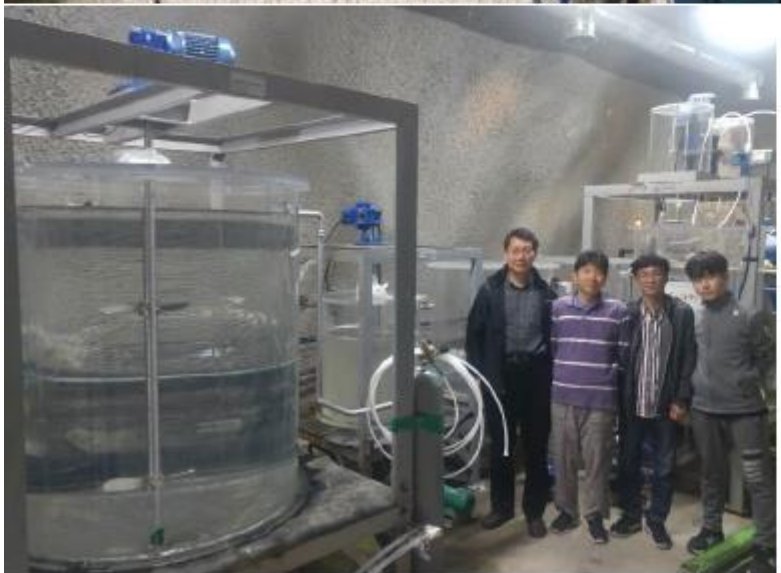


Date (2018)	J
Sep. 12 - 18	R
Sep. 28	I
Oct. 1 - 22	L

21 batches in total
- 4 peoples per batch
- 2 of ISO tank



- **Daya-Bay experiment kindly donated 20 tons of GdLS.**
- arrived at Japan on 2019-Aug-1.
- Now both GdLS and LS are stored at Kawasaki in Japan.
- quality is OK.



Summary

- Confirming or refuting existence of “sterile neutrino oscillation” results has been one of the hottest topics in the neutrino physics in the last two decades.
- The JSNS² experiment will begin data taking in early 2020 and provide an ultimate test of the LSND anomaly without any ambiguity.
- If sterile neutrino oscillation is indeed found, it will be a big discovery of a dark matter candidate.
- The Korean group has been actively participating in the detector construction including delivering 36 tons of liquid scintillator and ~100 10-inch PMTs. We expect to play an important role in obtaining results.

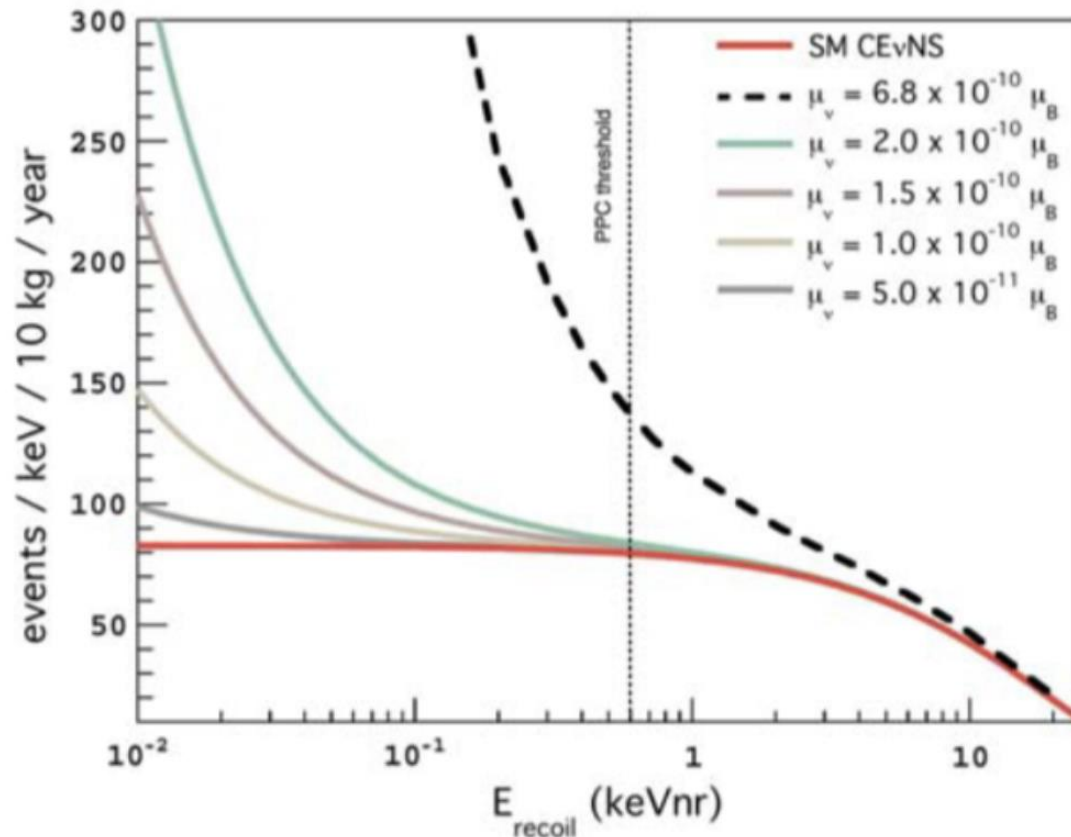
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Backup Slides

Efficient Search for Neutrino Electromagnetic Property

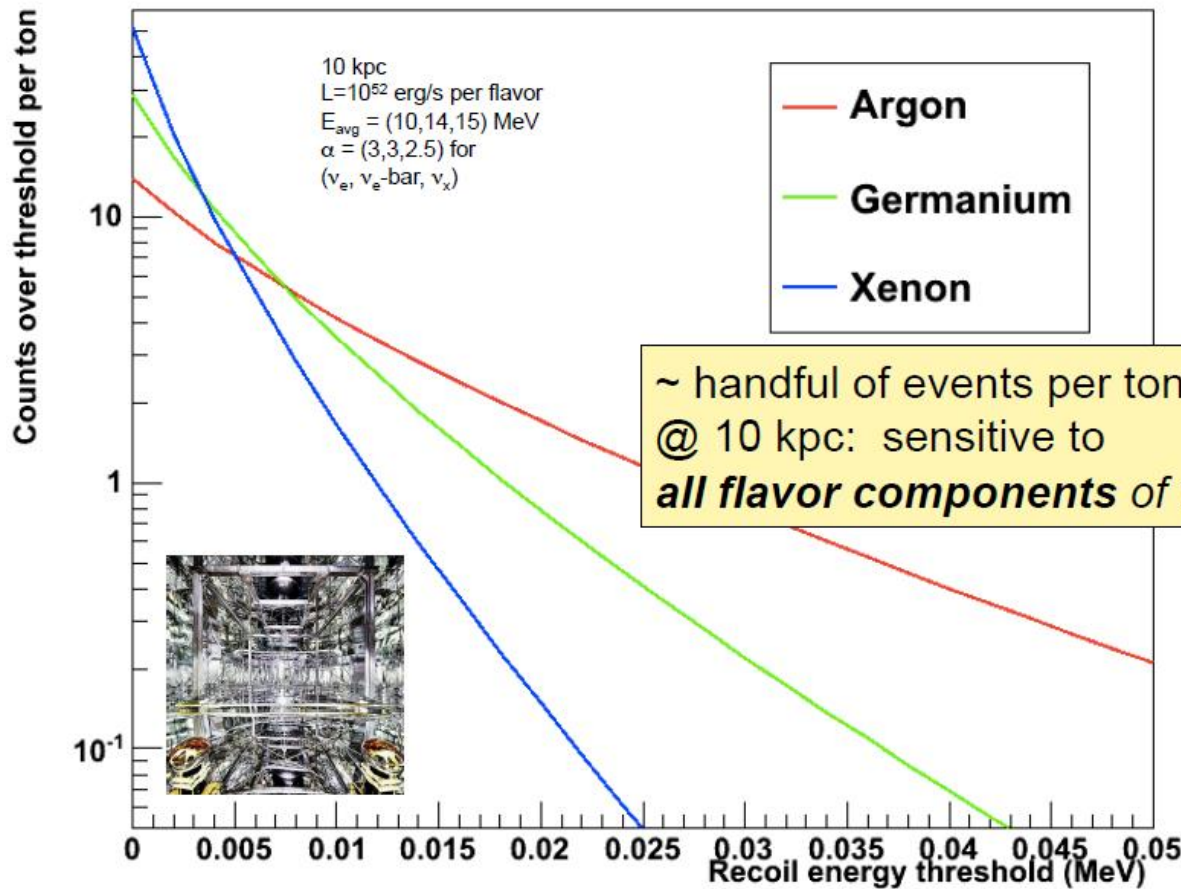
- Change of CEvNS cross section at low energies due to neutrino magnetic moment

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dT}\right)_m = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\mu_\nu^2 Z^2}{m_e^2} \left(\frac{1 - T/E_\nu}{T} + \frac{T}{4E_\nu^2}\right)$$

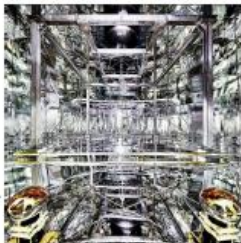


Compact Neutrino Telescope

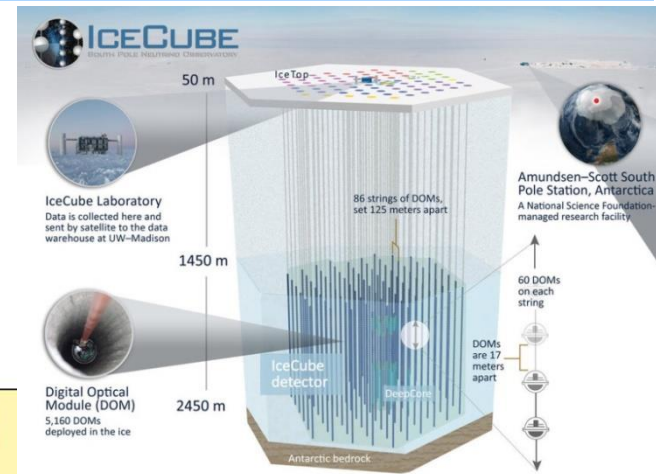
- Development of CEvNS telescope to detect an intense neutrino burst from Supernova



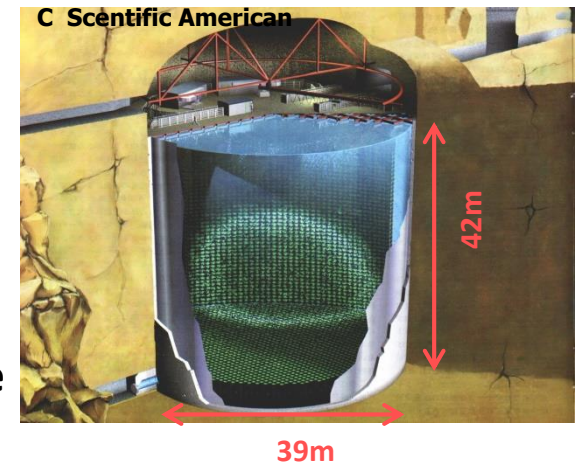
~ handful of events per tonne
 @ 10 kpc: sensitive to **all flavor components of the flux**



Super-Kamiokande
 50k ton water

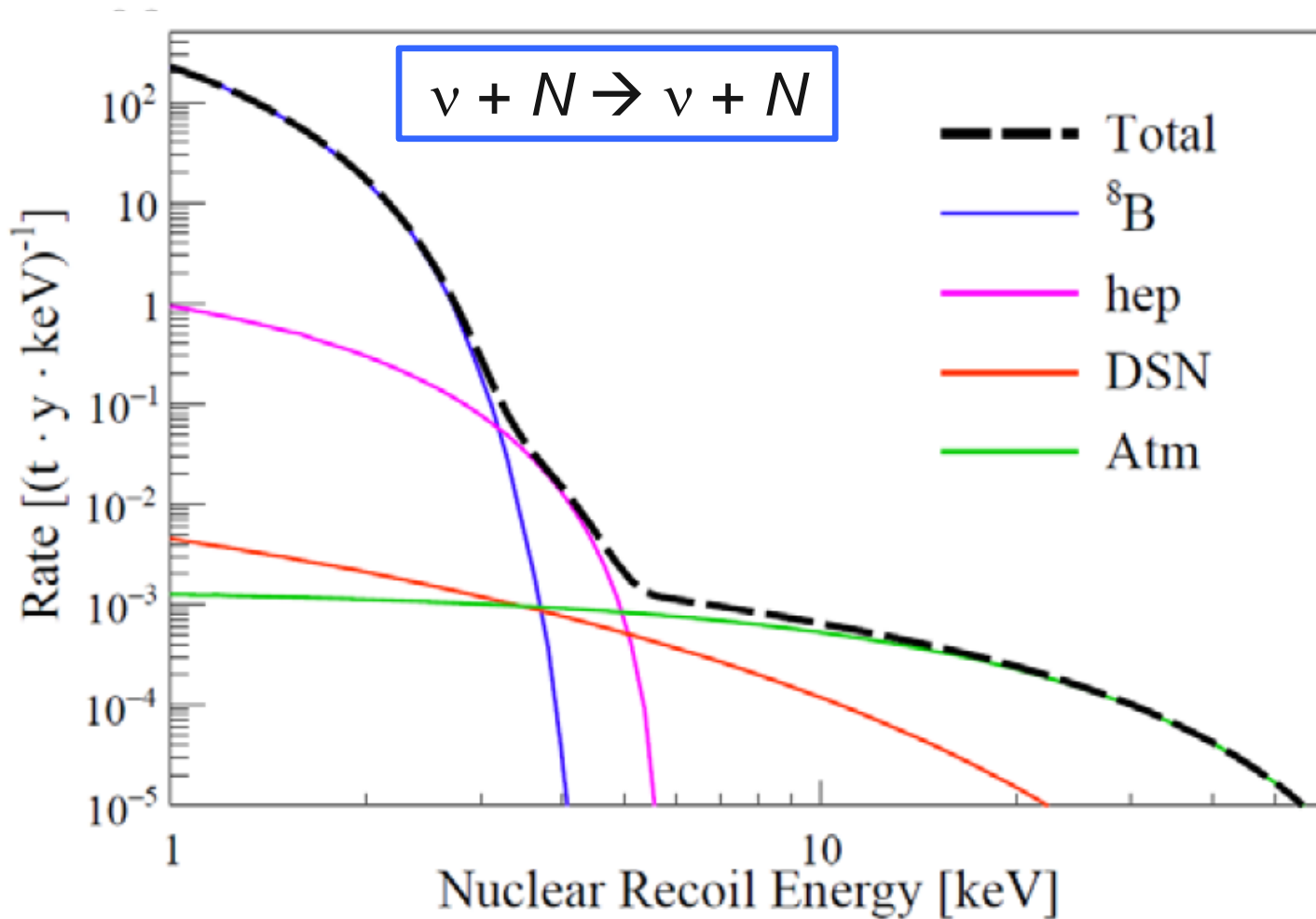


IceCUBE
 25M ton water

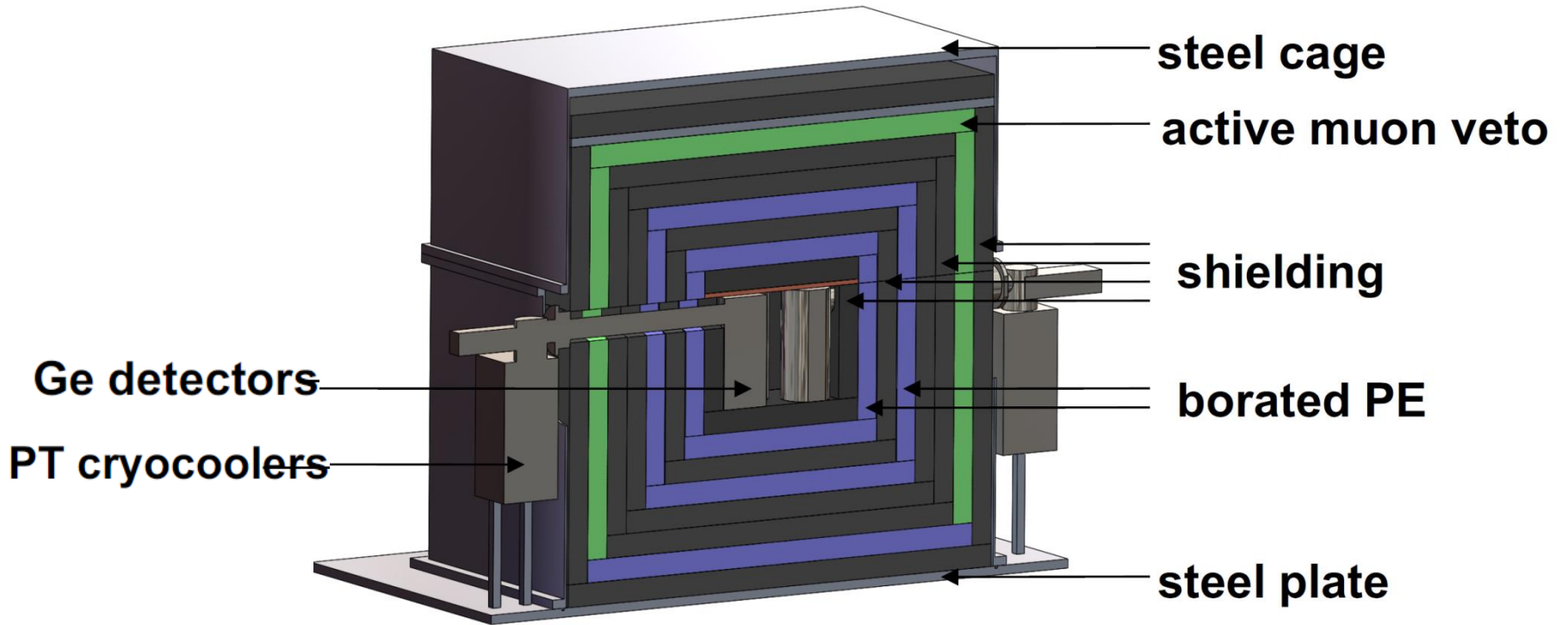


CEvNS Solar Neutrino Detection

- Solar neutrino detection with a compact detector due to enhanced CEvNS cross section

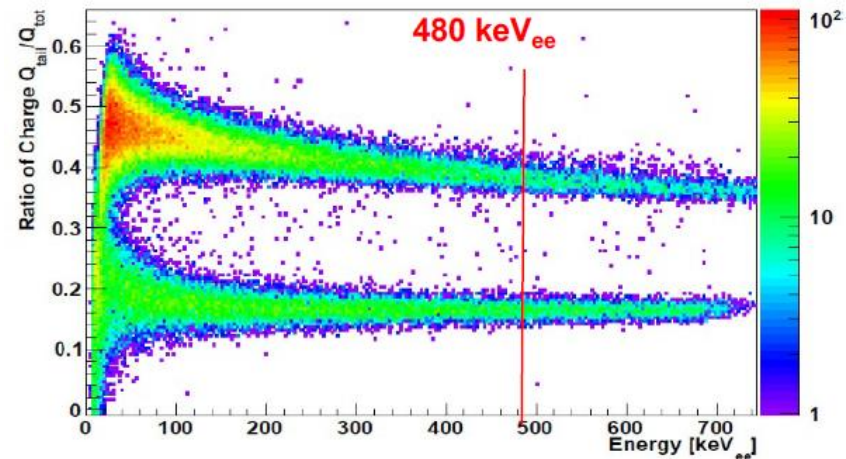
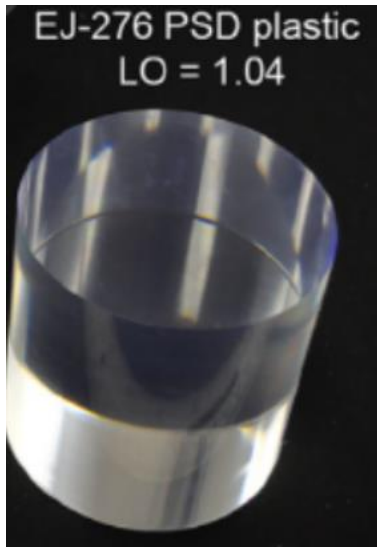


CONUS Detector

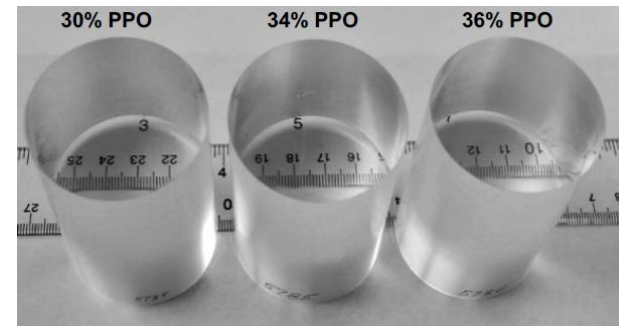
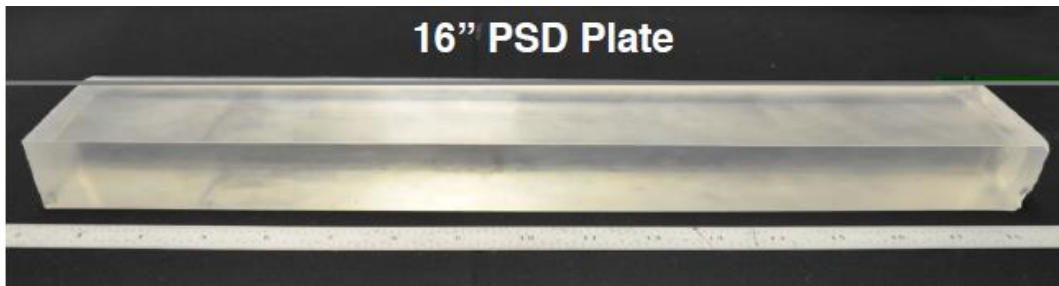


Plastic Scintillator for PSD

Development of plastic scintillator providing pulse shape discrimination (PSD) between neutron and gamma by Eljen & LLNL

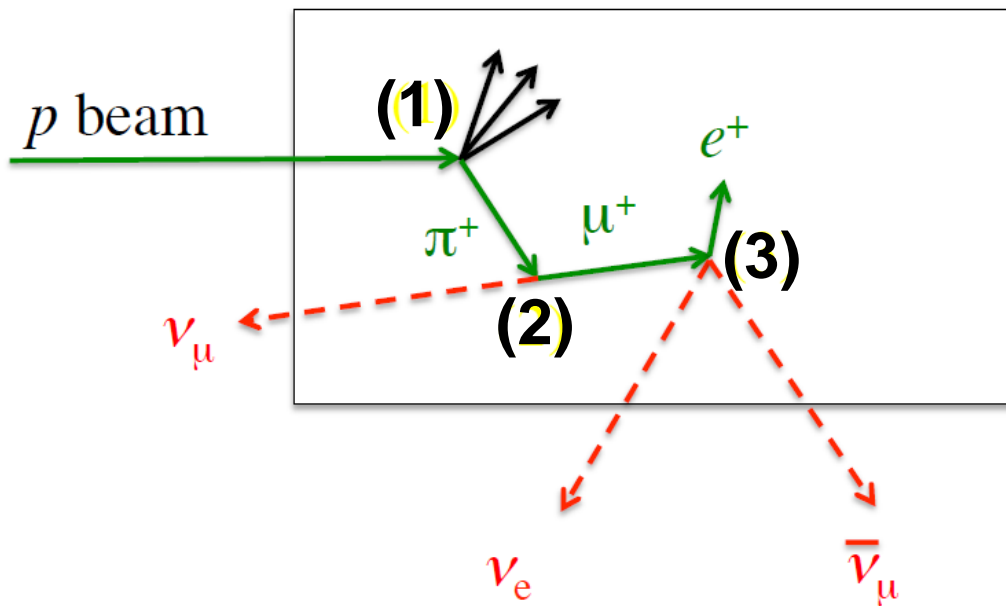


Upgraded plastic scintillator showing PSD performance similar to scintillator EJ-309

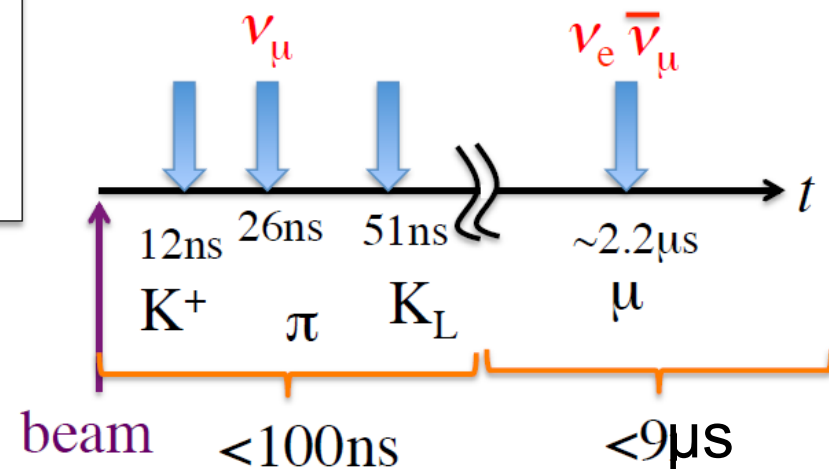


Neutrinos from Muon Decay At Rest (DAR)

- (1) High energy ($\sim\text{GeV}$) protons hit a dense target material and produce π^+ .
- (2) π^+ stops in the material and decays producing ν_μ and μ^+ .
- (3) μ^+ stops in the material and decays producing ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$.
- (4) ν 's from π^- and μ^- are highly suppressed. $\bar{\nu}_e/\bar{\nu}_\mu \sim 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$

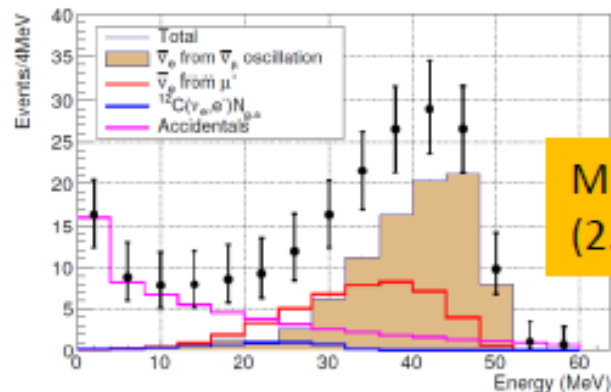


Timing of the ν production



Expected Signal and Background

Source	contents	#ev.(17tons x 3years)	Reference : SR2014 (50tons x 5 years)	comments
background	$\bar{\nu}_e$ from μ^-	43	237	Dominant BKG
	$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_e, e^-)^{12}\text{N}_{g.s.}$	3	16	
	Beam fast neutrons	Consistent with 0 < 2 (90%CL UL)	<13	Based on real data
	Fast neutrons (cosmic)	~0	37	
	Accidental	20	32	Based on real data
signal		87	480	$\Delta m^2=2.5, \sin^2 2\theta=0.003$
		62	342	$\Delta m^2=1.2, \sin^2 2\theta=0.003$



MLF best Δm^2
(2.5eV²)