

Recent Results from the KamLAND-Zen $0\nu 2\beta$ Experiment

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Outline

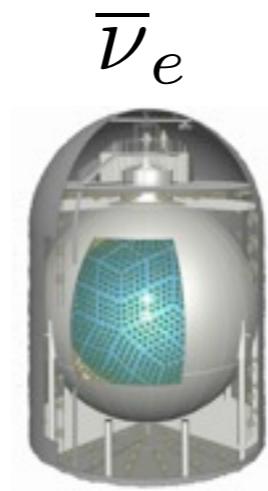
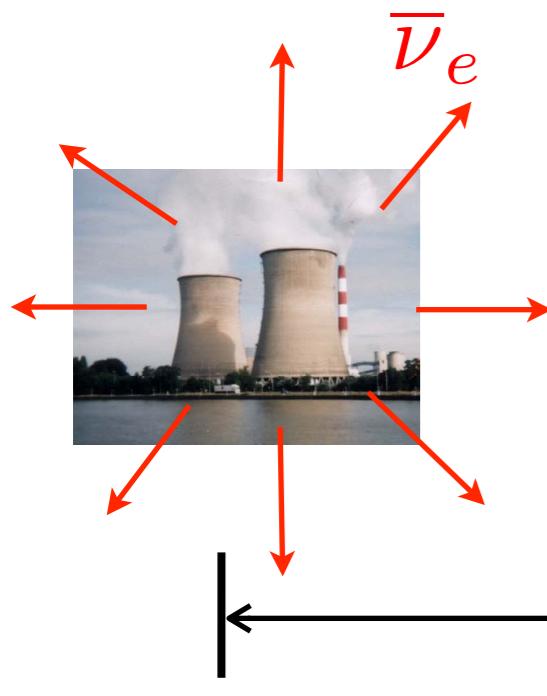


- Past KamLAND oscillation results
- Mass scales and neutrinoless double-beta decay
- How KamLAND became KamLAND-Zen
- Recent KamLAND-Zen results on double-beta decay

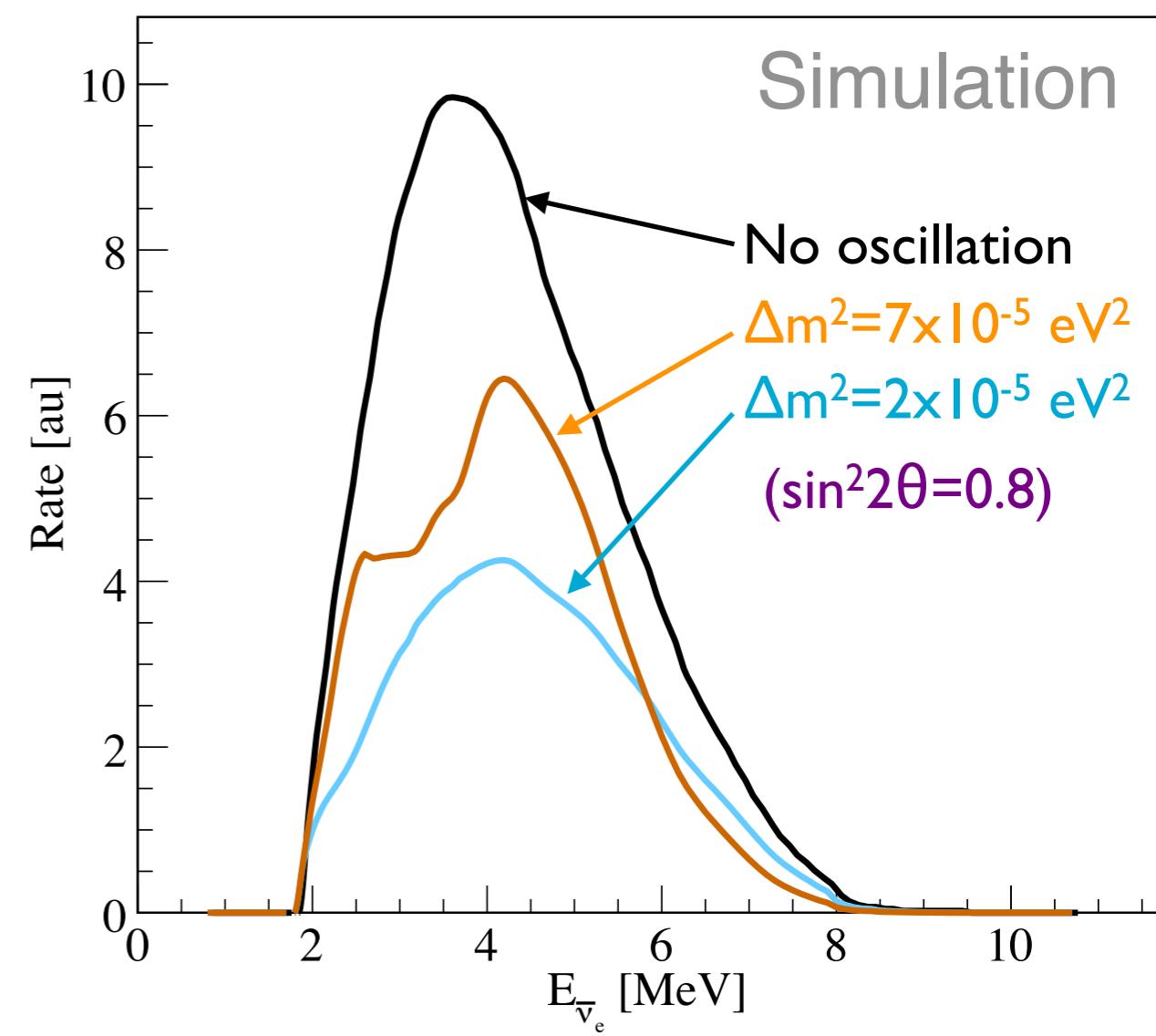
Reactors for Oscillation Studies

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i} |\nu_i\rangle; \quad \alpha = e, \mu, \tau$$

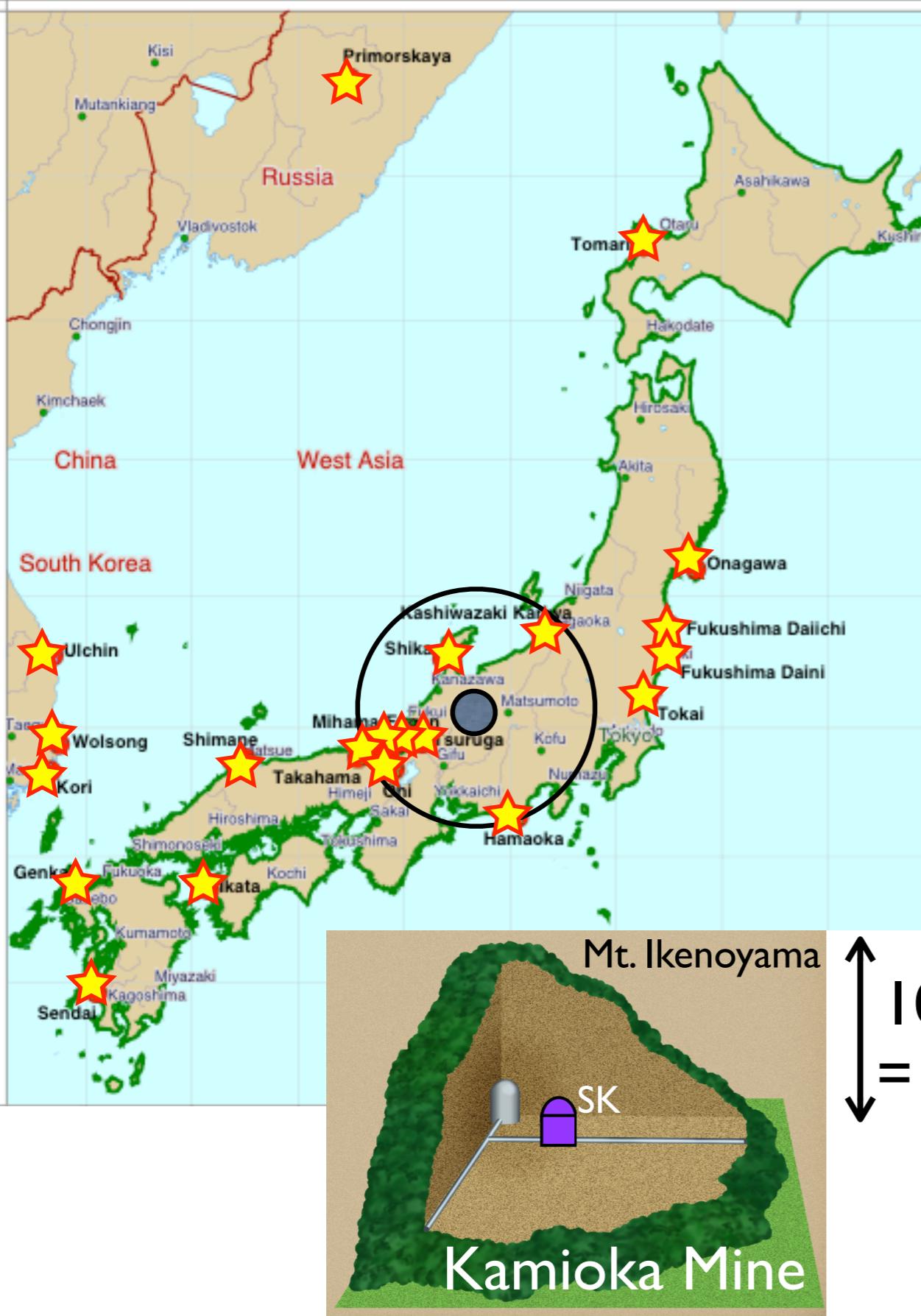
→ oscillations



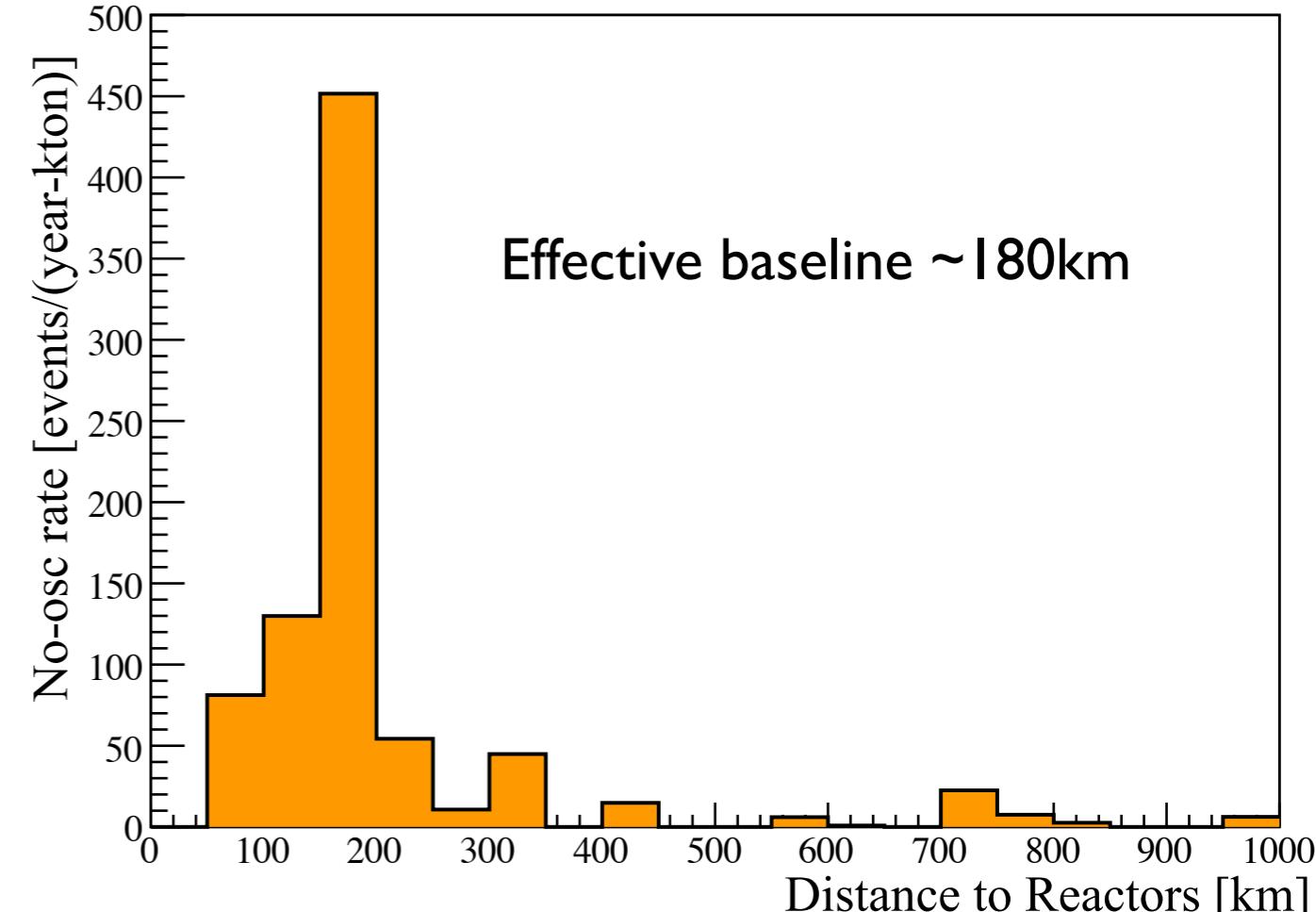
$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{1.27 \Delta m^2 L}{E}$$



$\bar{\nu}_e$ from 54 Reactor Cores in Japan

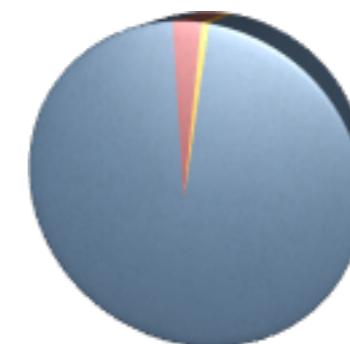


70 GW (7% of world total) is generated
at 130-220 km distance from Kamioka



Effective baseline ~180km

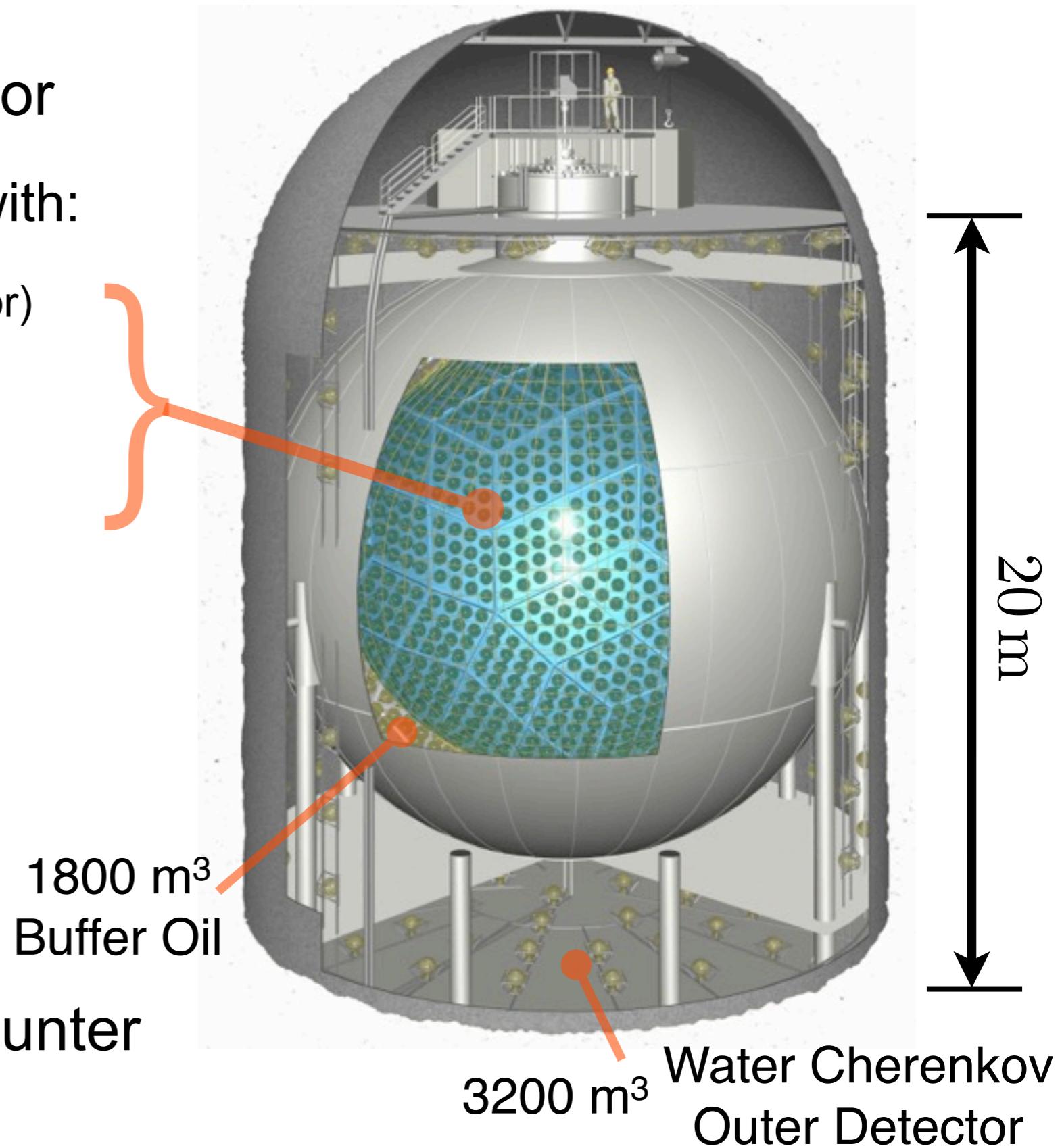
Reactor neutrino flux:
 $\sim 6 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



- Japan
- Korean
- World

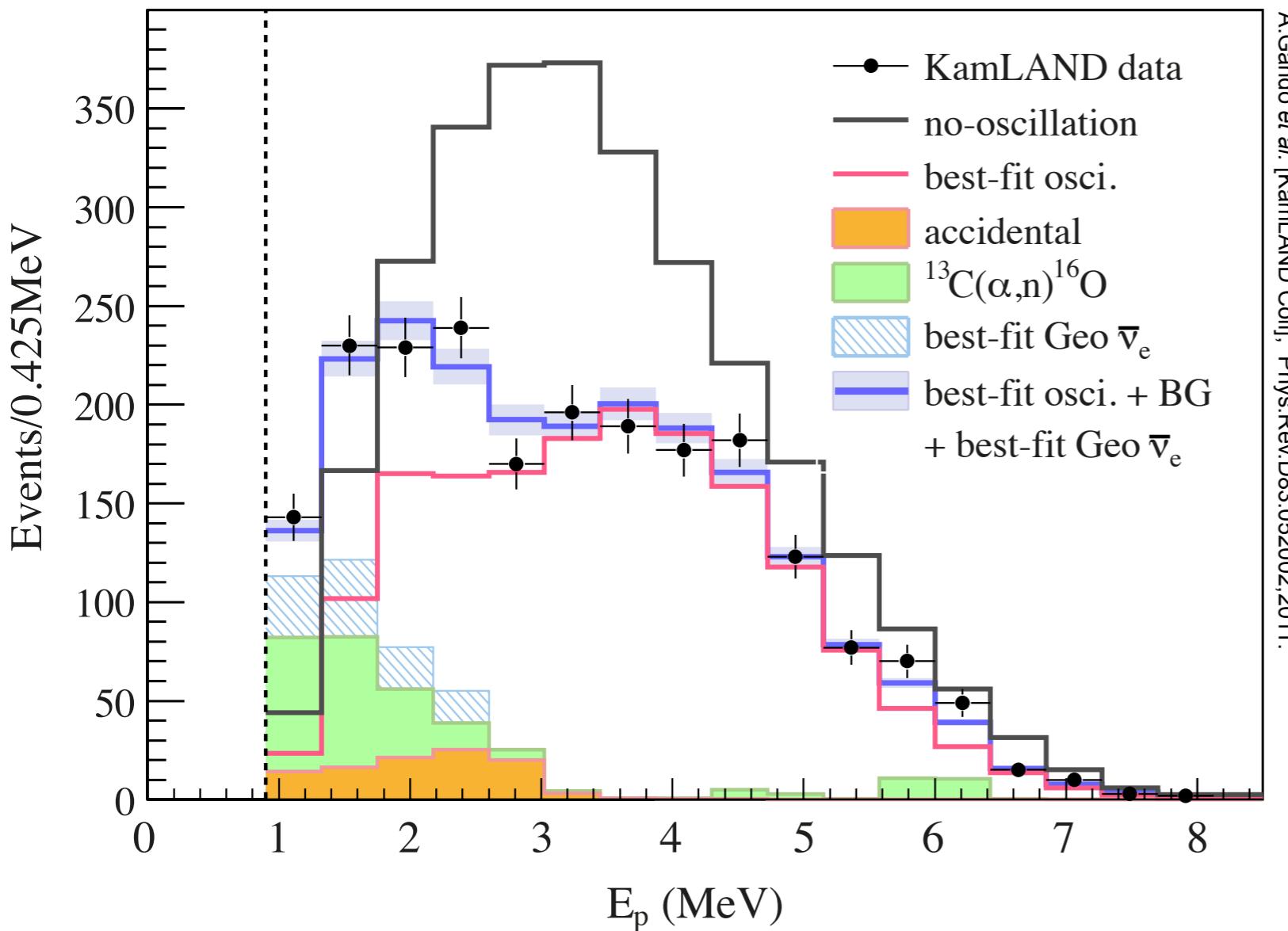
KamLAND detector

- 1 kton Scintillation Detector
- 6.5m radius balloon filled with:
 - 20% Pseudocumene (scintillator)
 - 80% Dodecane (oil)
 - PPO
- 34% PMT coverage
 - ~1300 17" fast PMTs
 - ~550 20" large PMTs
- Multi-hit electronics
- Water Cherenkov veto counter



Energy Spectrum

From Mar 9, 2002 to November 4, 2009
2135 live days, 4126 ton-year exposure

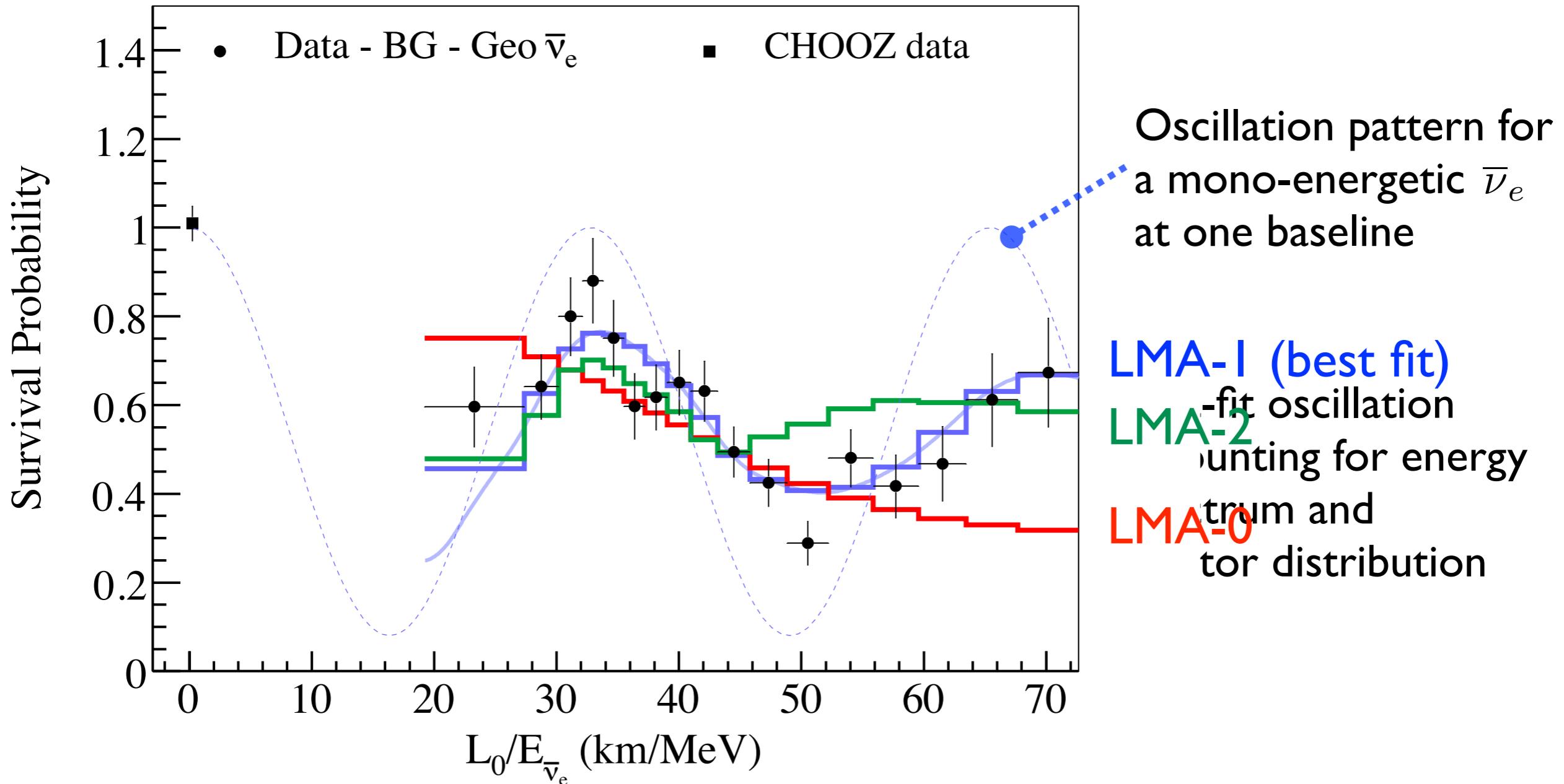


A.Gando et al. [KamLAND Coll], Phys.Rev.D83:052002,2011.

Number of events:

no-osc expected	2879 ± 118
background	326 ± 26
observed	2106

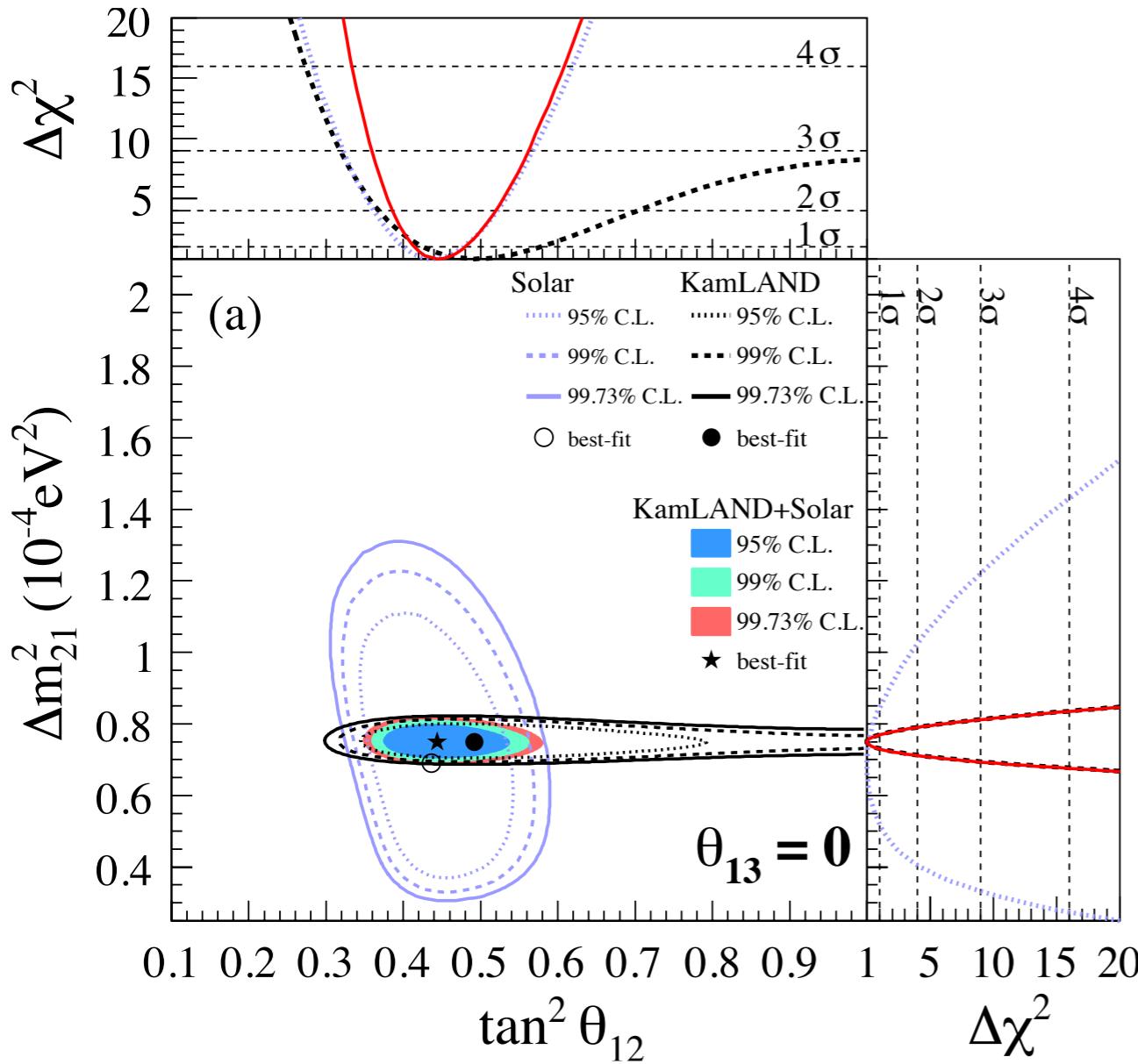
Illustration of Neutrino Oscillation



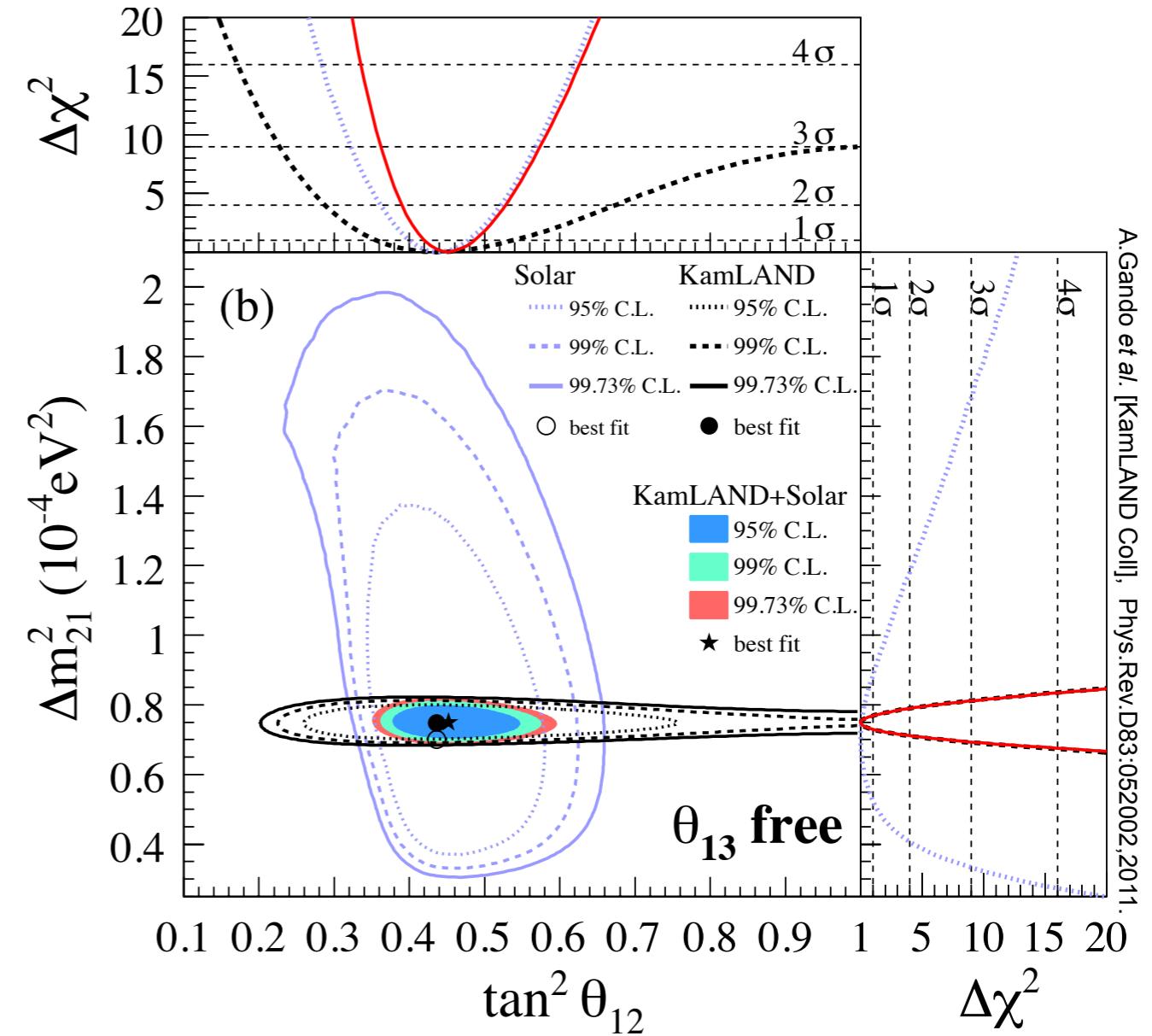
$$P_{ee} = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{4} \frac{L}{E} \right)$$

3-flavor Oscillation

2-flavor oscillation



3-flavor oscillation



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$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

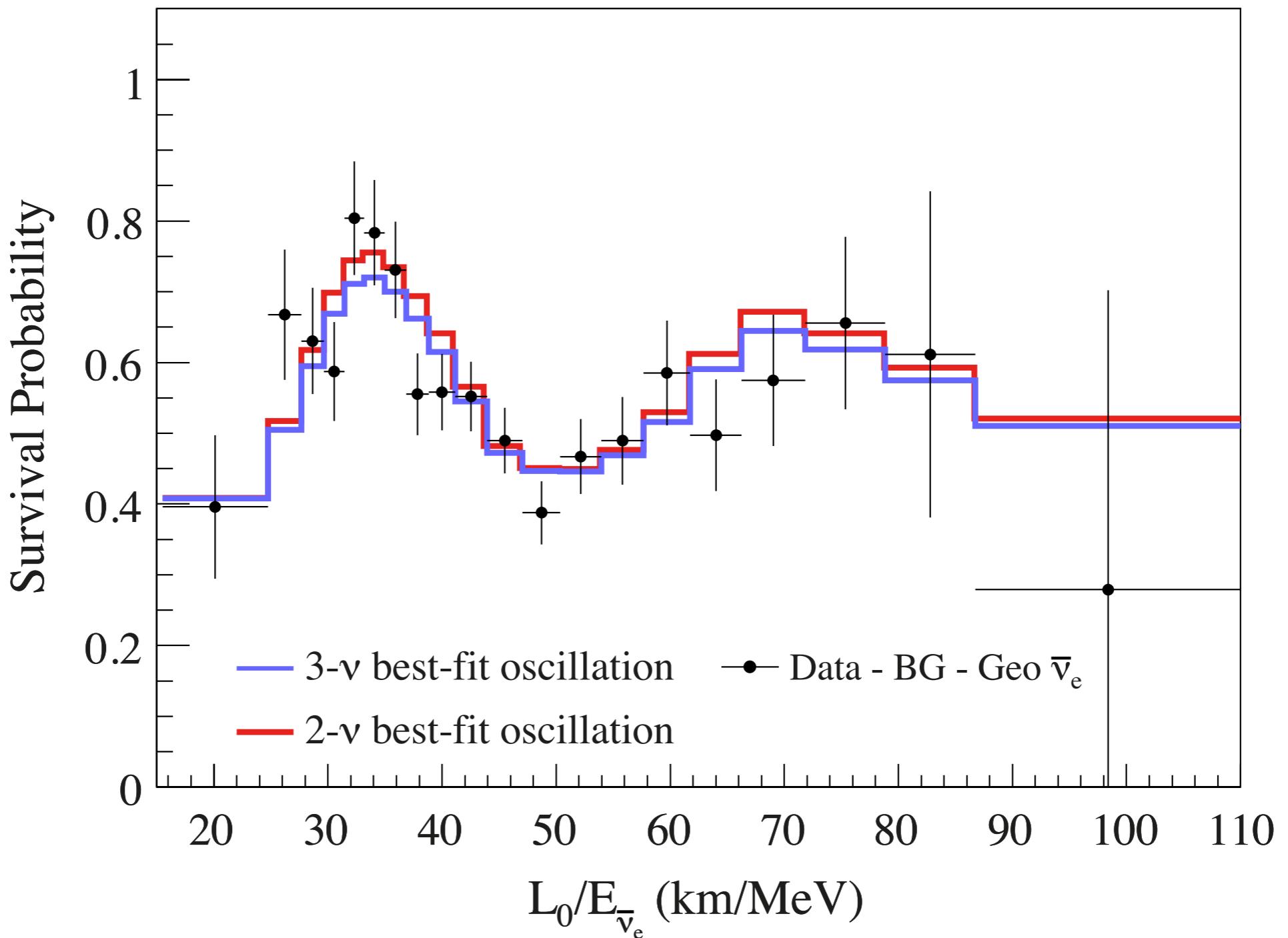
$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.444^{+0.036}_{-0.030}$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.452^{+0.035}_{-0.033}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.020^{+0.016}_{-0.016}$$

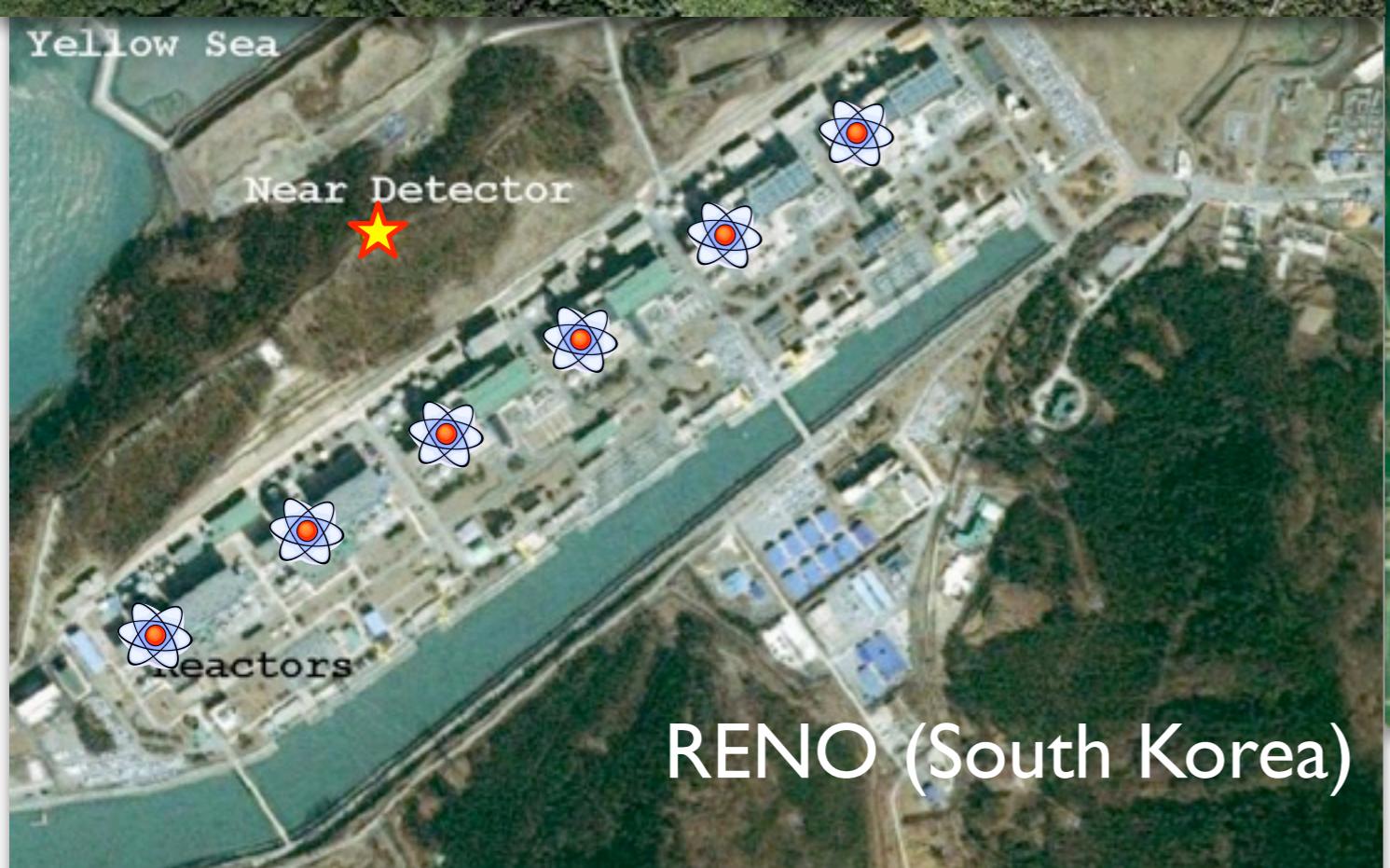
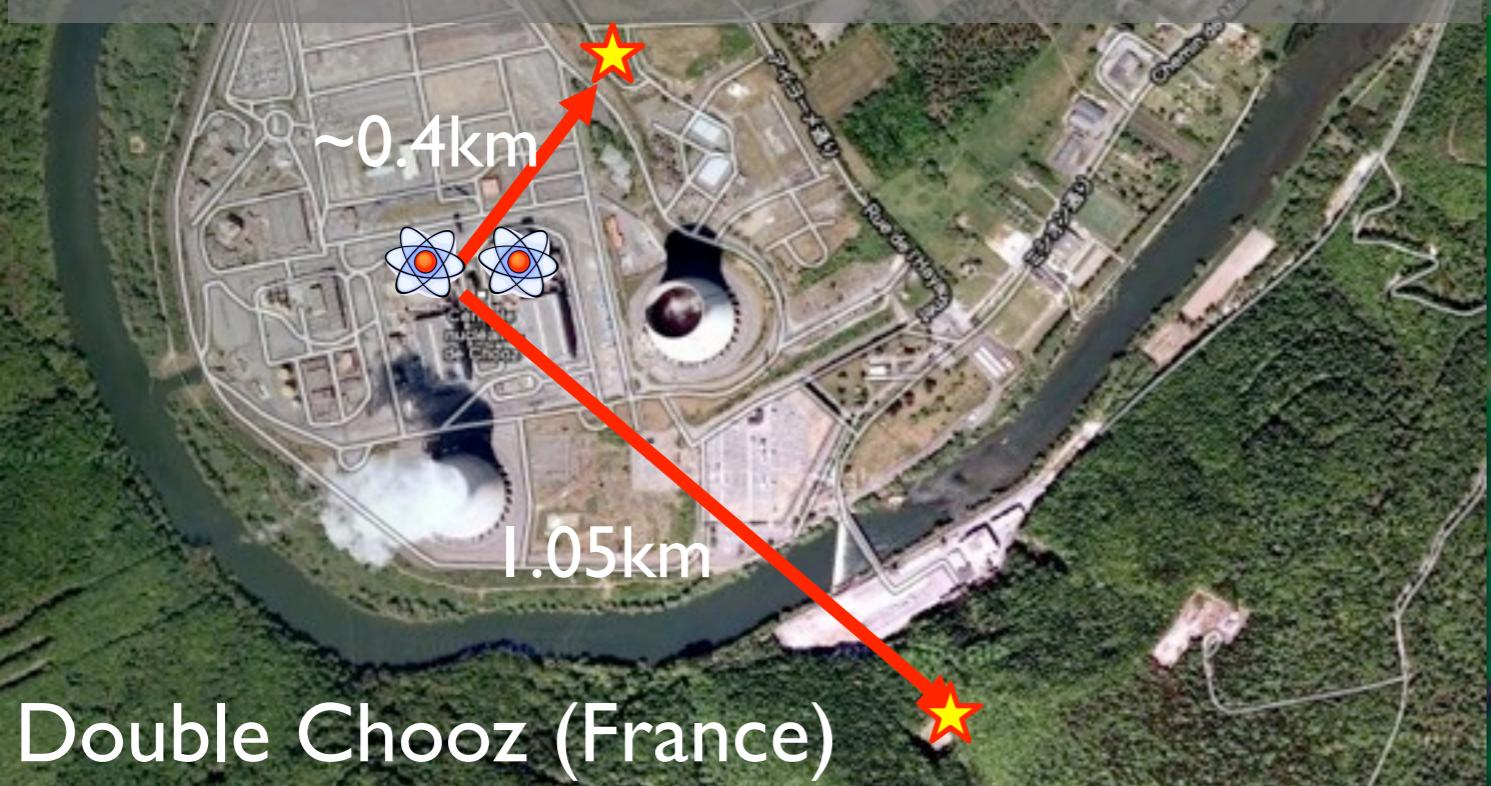
Effect of 3-nu Oscillation



$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \approx 1 - \cos^4 2\theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta \left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 (L \Delta m_{21}^2 L)}{2 \sin^2 \frac{4E}{4E}} \right) - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.086 \pm 0.041 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.030 \text{ (syst)}$$

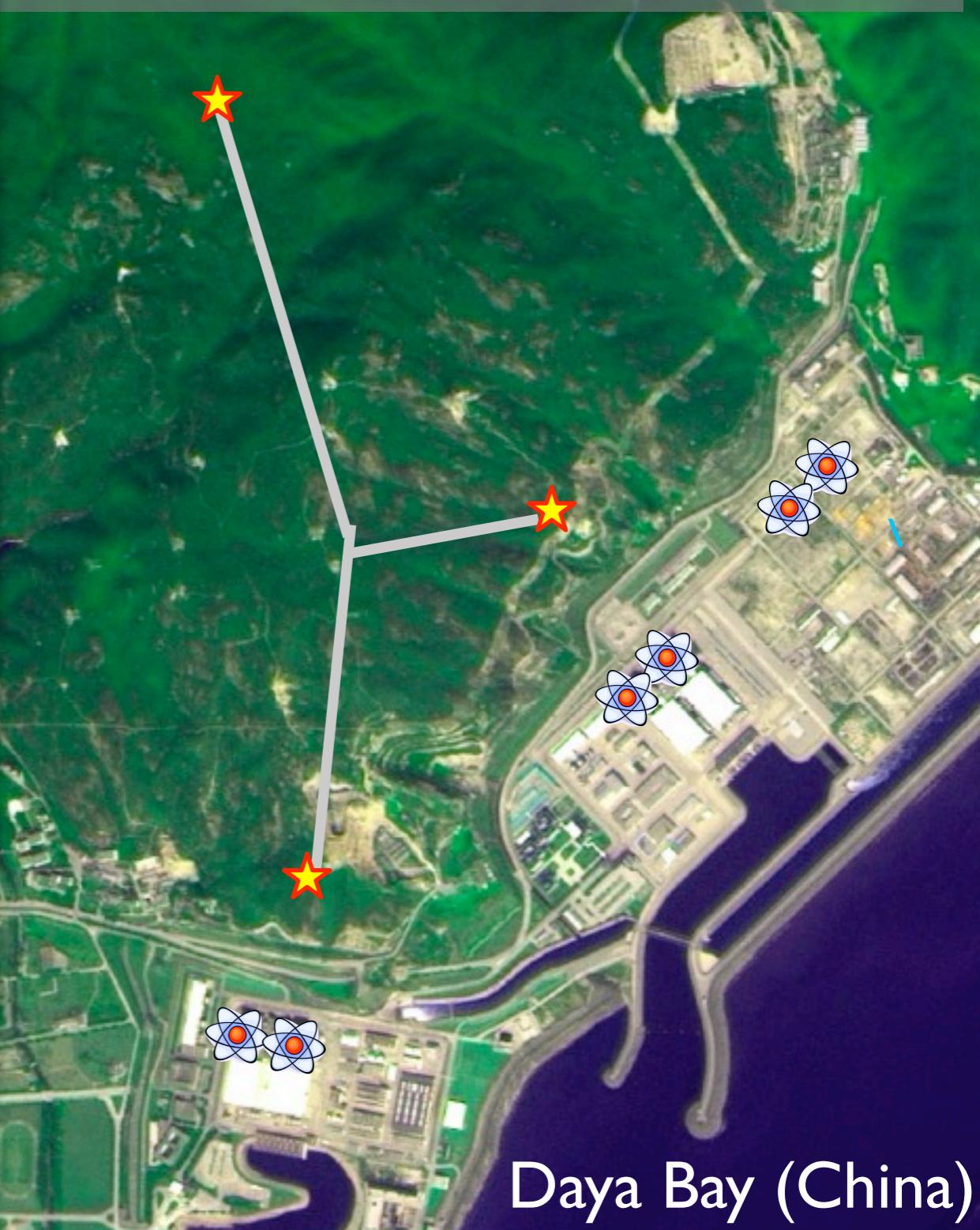
Y. Abe et al. [Double Chooz], arXiv:1112.6353



$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.113 \pm 0.013 \text{ (stat.)} \star \pm 0.019 \text{ (syst.)}$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.092 \pm 0.016 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.005 \text{ (syst)}$$

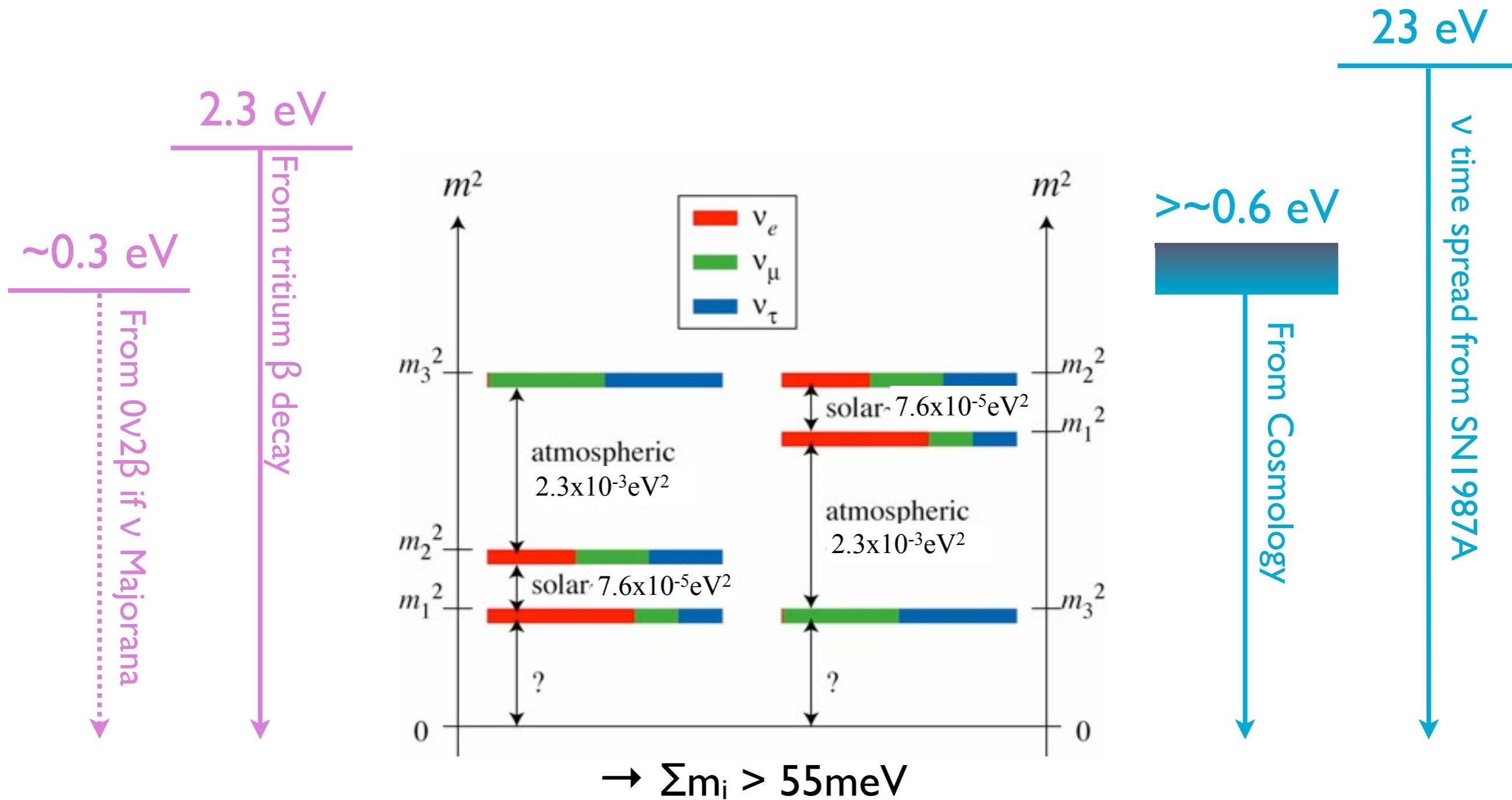
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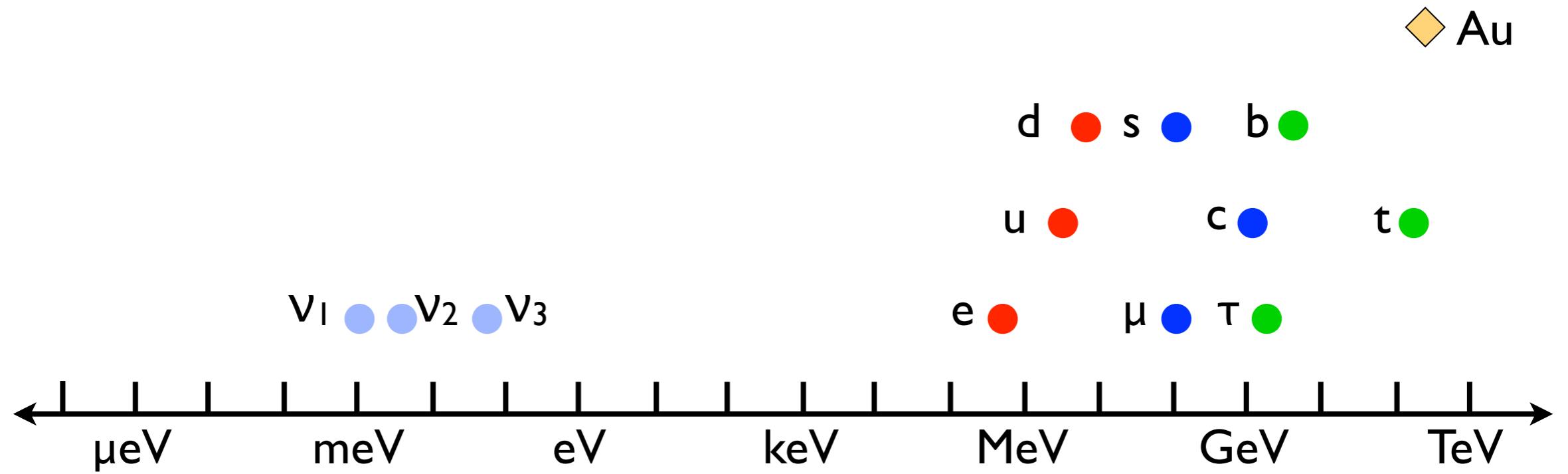
OK, so neutrinos oscillate...

Discovery of the neutrino mass scale

... But what is the absolute neutrino mass scale?



Masses of Fermions



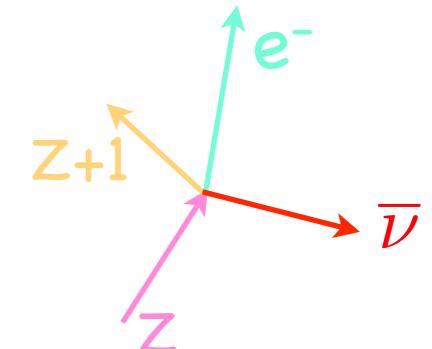
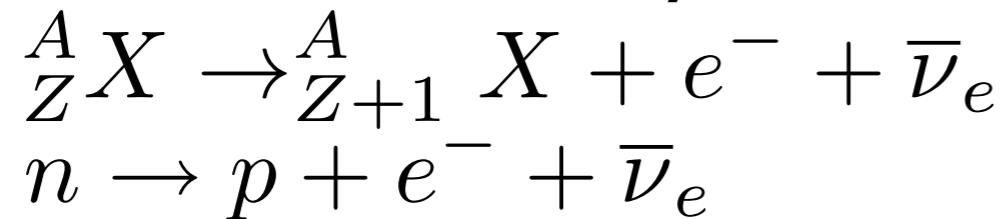
Why are neutrinos 5-6 orders less massive than other fermions?

How to measure Neutrino Mass?

- Astrophysics
 - Supernovas - waiting for one closeby! From 1987A $< \sim 23\text{eV}$
- Cosmology
 - WMAP: $\sum m_i < 0.6\text{eV}$
- Oscillations
 - Only square of mass difference - no absolute scale
- Decays
 - μ, τ decays: relatively poor sensitivity
 - β decay
 - $\beta\beta$ decay

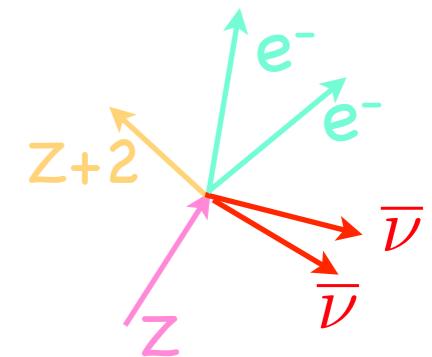
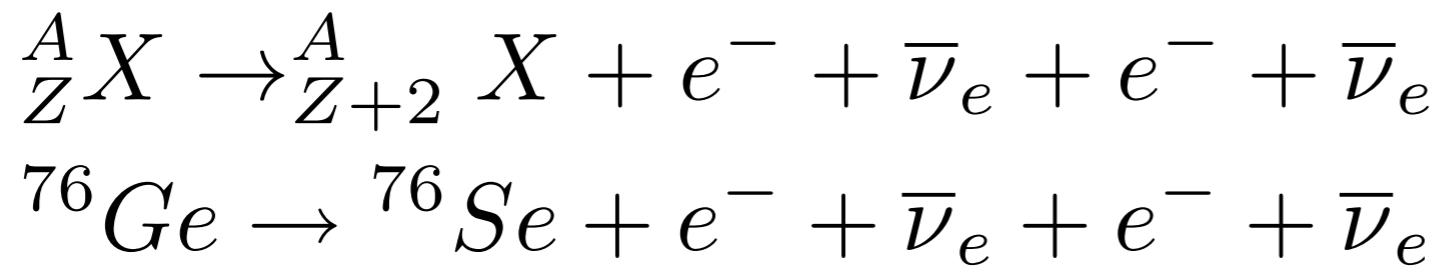
Beta decay

- Normal beta decay



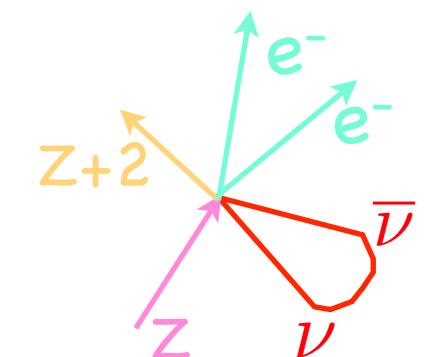
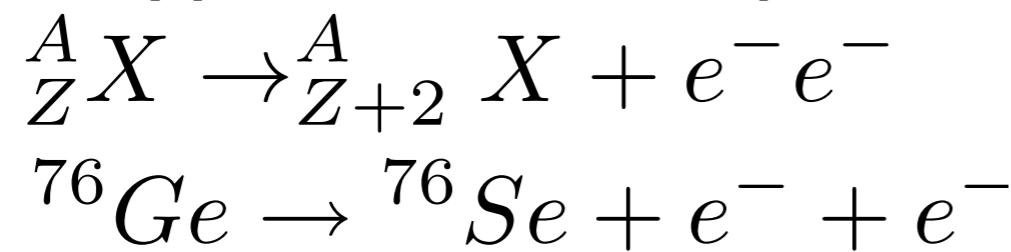
- Two neutrino double beta decay ($2\nu 2\beta$)

A conventional 2nd-order nuclear physics process



- Neutrinoless double beta decay ($0\nu 2\beta$)

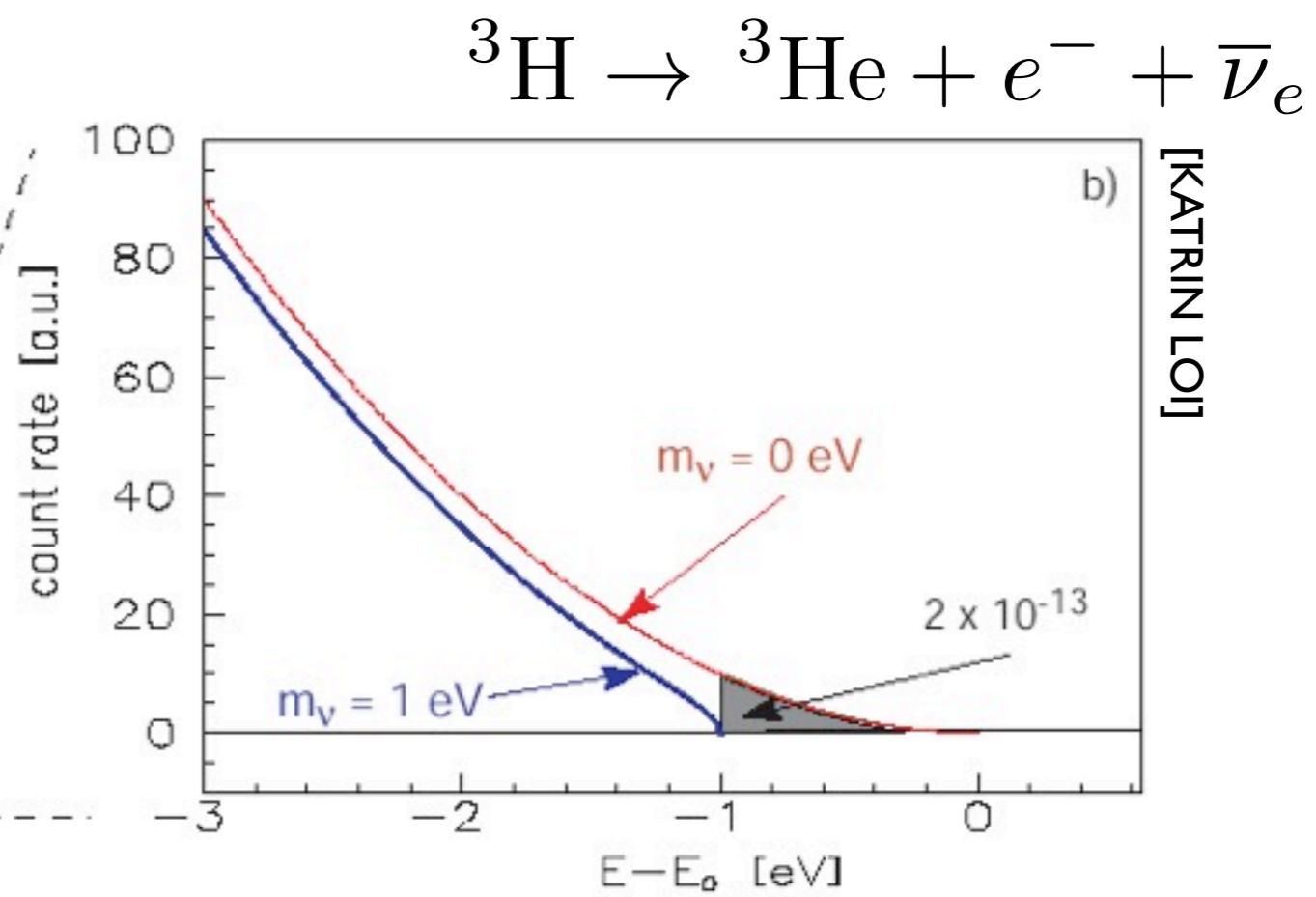
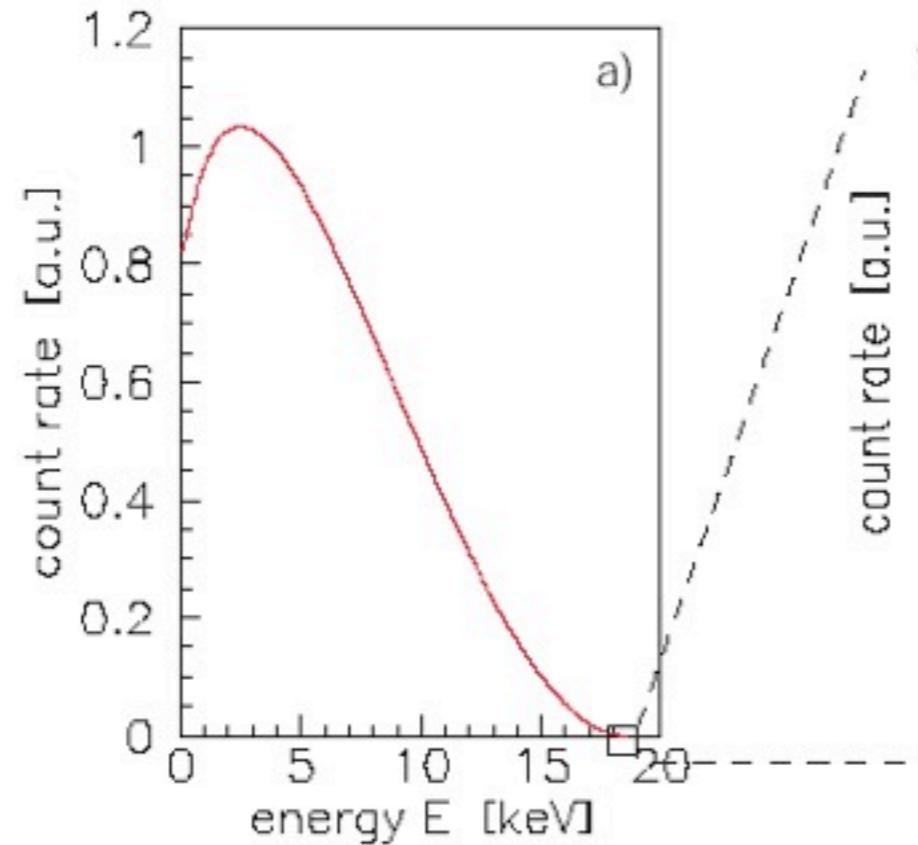
A hypothetical new process



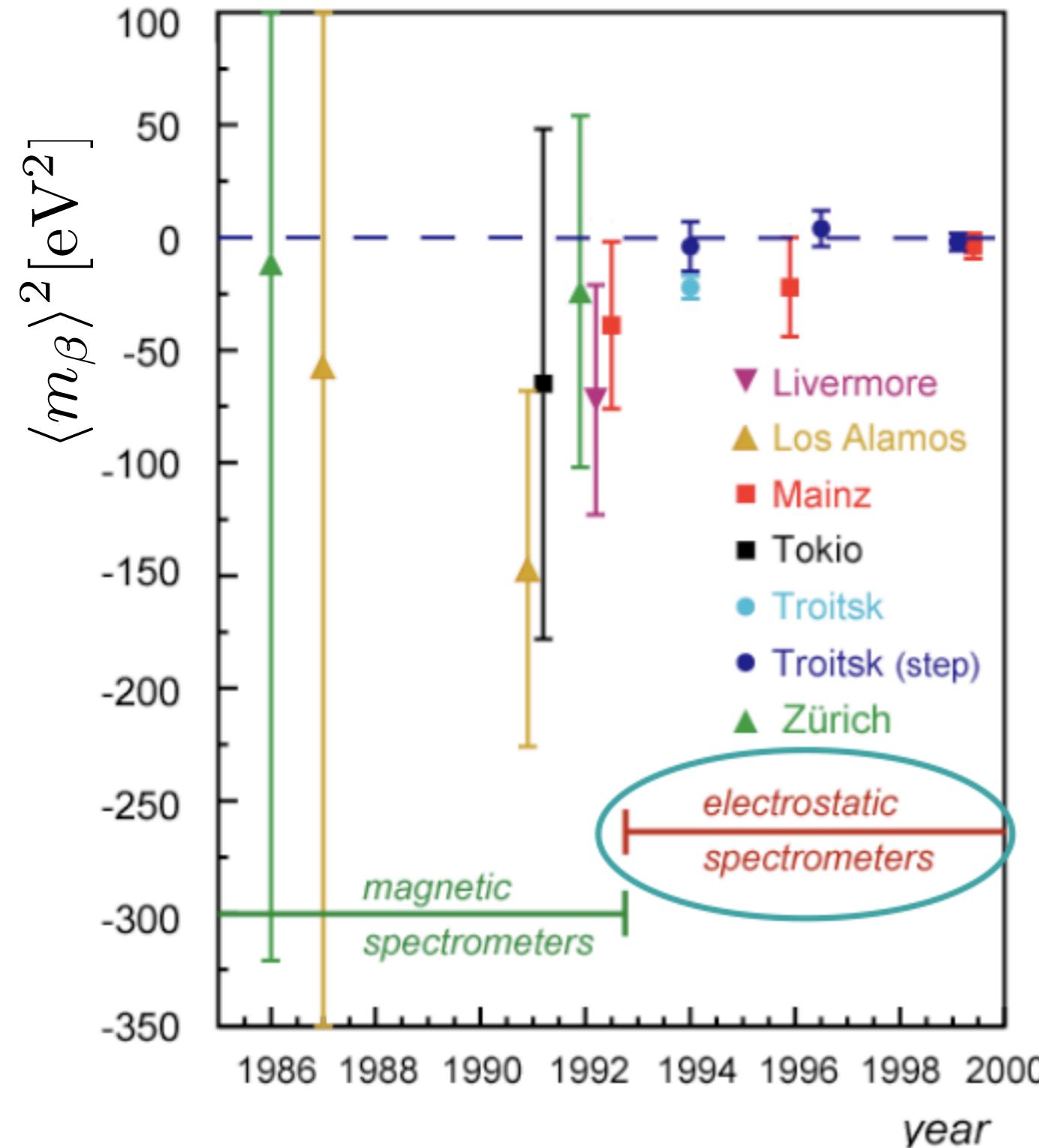
Absolute mass from β decay

$$\langle m_\beta \rangle = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2} \quad [\text{incoherent sum}]$$

- The shape of the β decay energy spectrum near the endpoint depends on $\langle m_\beta \rangle$
- Based on kinematics and energy conservation
- No model dependence



Current best limits on $\langle m_\beta \rangle$

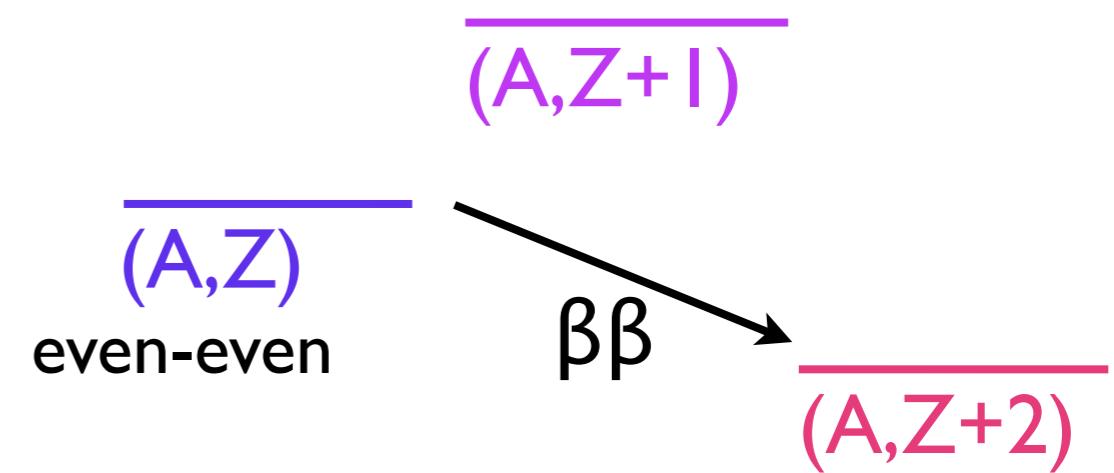
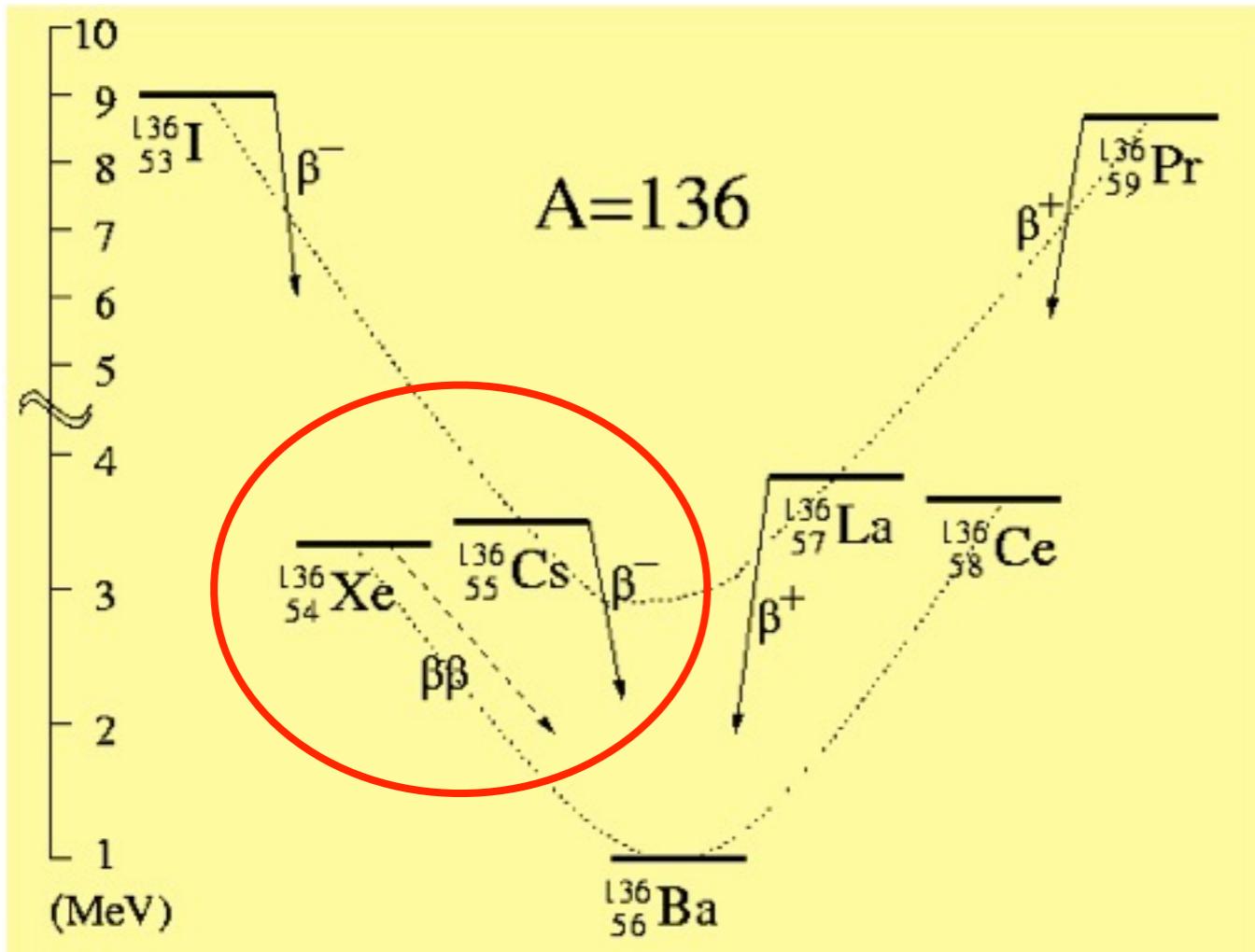


$$\langle m_\beta \rangle = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2} < 2.3 \text{ eV}$$

While these table-top experiments made impressive gains, they have run out of steam

Next: KATRIN experiment

Double beta decay Isotopes

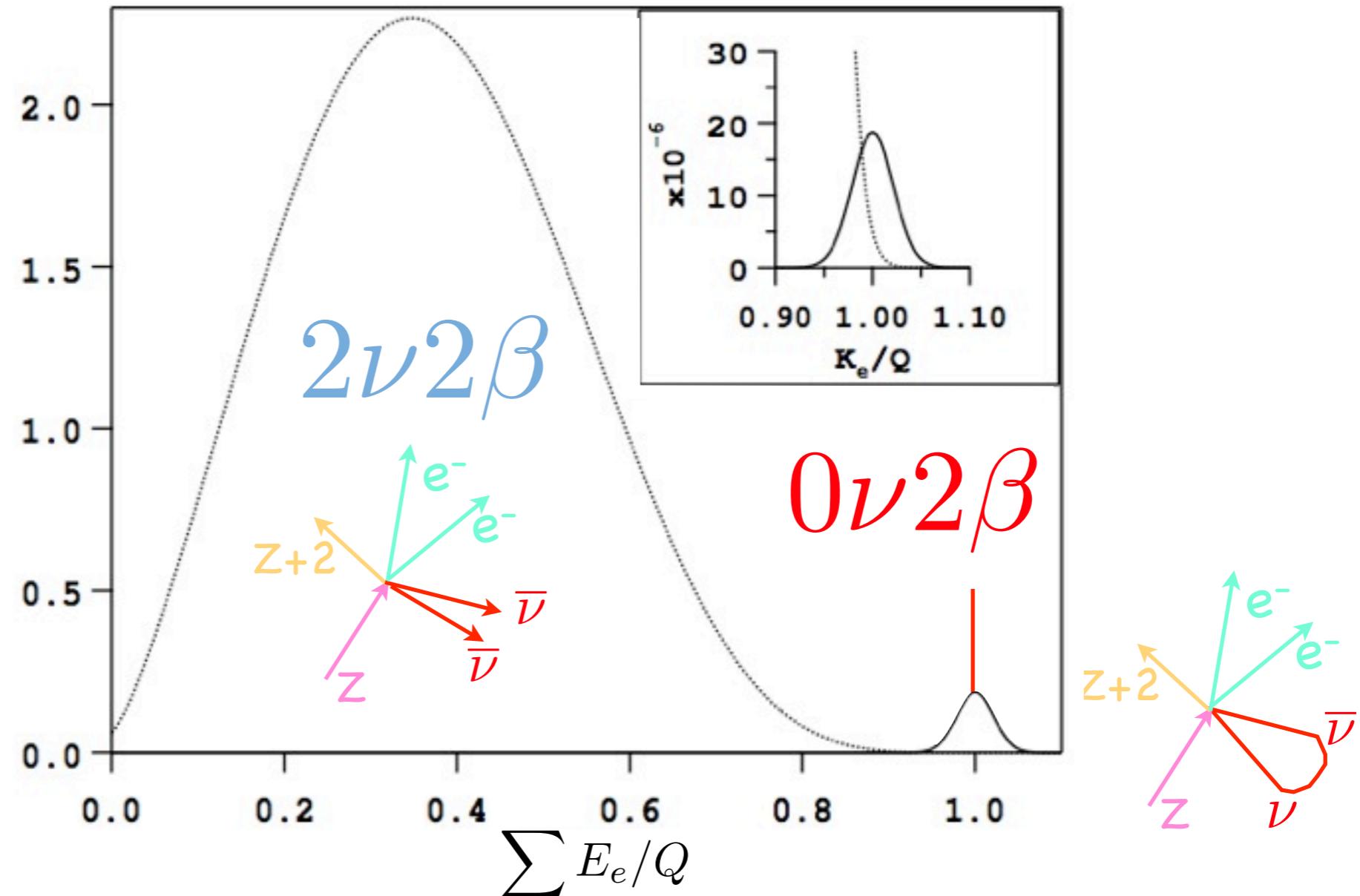


A second-order process only detectable if first-order
beta decay is energetically forbidden

Signal

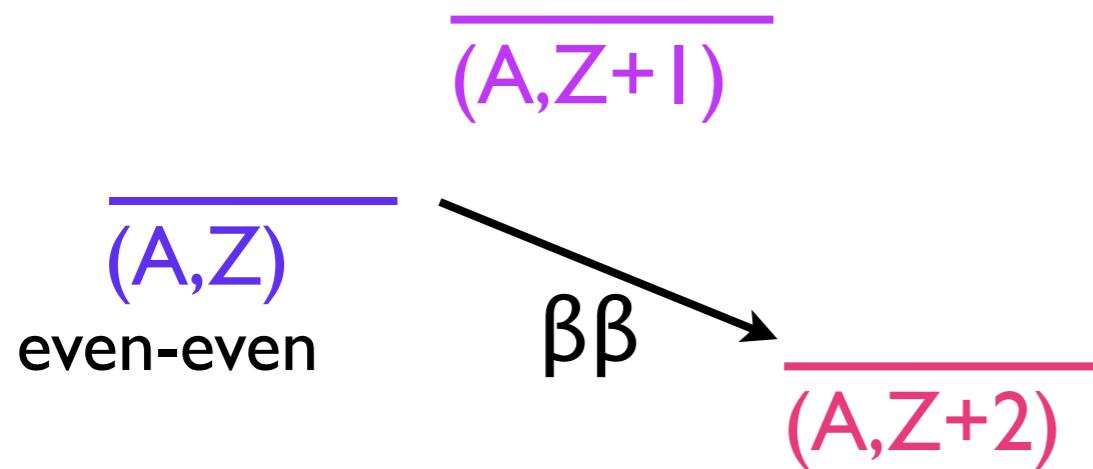
Experiments only measure the energy of the two electrons

With energy resolution



Candidate $0\nu2\beta$ Nuclei

Candidates are even-even nuclei



[Candidates with $Q > 2$ MeV]

Candidate	Q [MeV]	%Abund
$^{48}\text{Ca} \rightarrow ^{48}\text{Ti}$	4.271	0.187
$^{76}\text{Ge} \rightarrow ^{76}\text{Se}$	2.040	7.8
$^{82}\text{Se} \rightarrow ^{82}\text{Kr}$	2.995	9.2
$^{96}\text{Zr} \rightarrow ^{96}\text{Mo}$	3.350	2.8
$^{100}\text{Mo} \rightarrow ^{100}\text{Ru}$	3.034	9.6
$^{110}\text{Pd} \rightarrow ^{110}\text{Cd}$	2.013	11.8
$^{116}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{116}\text{Sn}$	2.802	7.5
$^{124}\text{Sn} \rightarrow ^{124}\text{Te}$	2.228	5.64
$^{130}\text{Te} \rightarrow ^{130}\text{Xe}$	2.530	34.5
$^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba}$	2.479	8.9
$^{150}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{150}\text{Sm}$	3.367	5.6

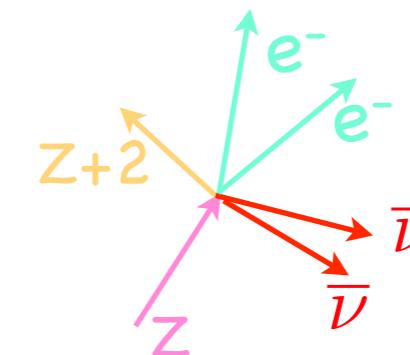
Natural abundance of $0\nu2\beta$ candidates is low
→ enrichment necessary

$2\nu 2\beta$ has been measured

$$(T_{1/2}^{2\nu})^{-1} = G_{2\nu}(Q, Z) |M_{2\nu}|^2$$

Phase Space
factor

Nuclear
Matrix Element

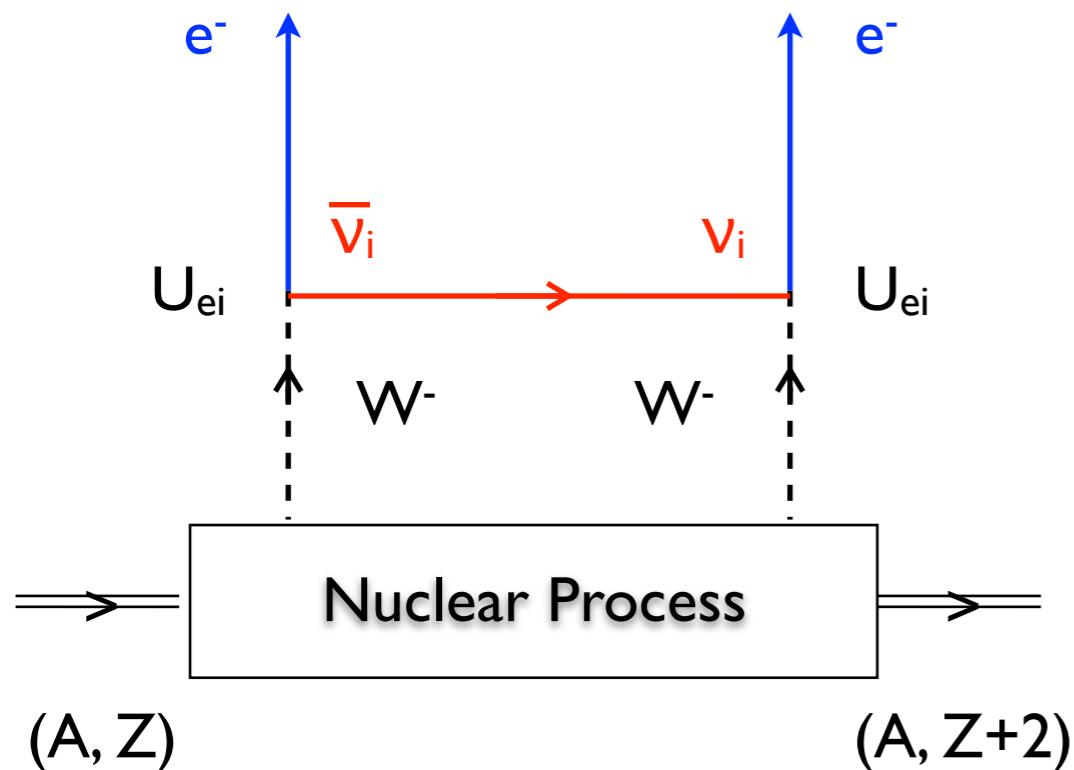


- Conserves lepton number
- Does not discriminate between Dirac and Majorana neutrinos
- Not sensitive to neutrino mass scale
- Nevertheless: slow process!

Isotope	$T_{1/2}^{2\nu}$ [yr]
^{48}Ca	$4.2 \pm 1.0 \times 10^{19}$
^{76}Ge	$1.5 \pm 0.1 \times 10^{21}$
^{82}Se	$0.92 \pm 0.07 \times 10^{20}$
^{96}Zr	$2.0 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{19}$
^{100}Mo	$7.1 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{18}$
^{116}Cd	$3.0 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{19}$
^{128}Te	$2.5 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{24}$
^{130}Te	$0.9 \pm 0.1 \times 10^{21}$
^{150}Nd	$7.8 \pm 0.8 \times 10^{18}$
^{238}U	$2.0 \pm 0.6 \times 10^{21}$

Lepton Number Violation

Neutrinoless double beta decay:



$$\begin{array}{lll} M_\nu & \neq & 0 \\ \nu & = & \bar{\nu} \\ |\Delta L| & = & 2 \end{array} \quad \text{Helicity has to flip}$$

Total Lepton Number Violation

See Saw Mechanism

In terms of chiral nu-fields can write mass term in Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_m &= -m_D \overline{\nu}_R^0 \nu_L^0 - \frac{1}{2} M_R (\overline{\nu}_R^0)^c \nu_R^0 + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\overline{(\nu_L^0)^c}, \overline{\nu}_R^0 \right] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D & M_R \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_L^0 \\ (\nu_R^0)^c \end{bmatrix} + \text{h.c.}\end{aligned}$$

Neutrino Mass Matrix

Nothing in SM prevents M_R to be very large and m_D of the same order as other SM particles!

Diagonalizing Mass Matrix and rewriting fields in terms of **Majorana nus**:

$$\mathcal{L}_m = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{m_D^2}{M_R} \overline{\nu} \nu - \frac{1}{2} M_R \overline{N} N$$

Mass of ν Mass of very heavy N

Half of the neutrinos are “invisible” very heavy ($\sim 10^{15} \text{GeV}$) N ’s!

What mass does $0\nu 2\beta$ measure?

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu}(Q, Z) |M_{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2$$

Phase Space factor:
 Calculable Nuclear Matrix Element:
 Hard to calculate Interesting physics

Effective Majorana mass:

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei}^2 m_i \right| \quad [\text{coherent sum}]$$

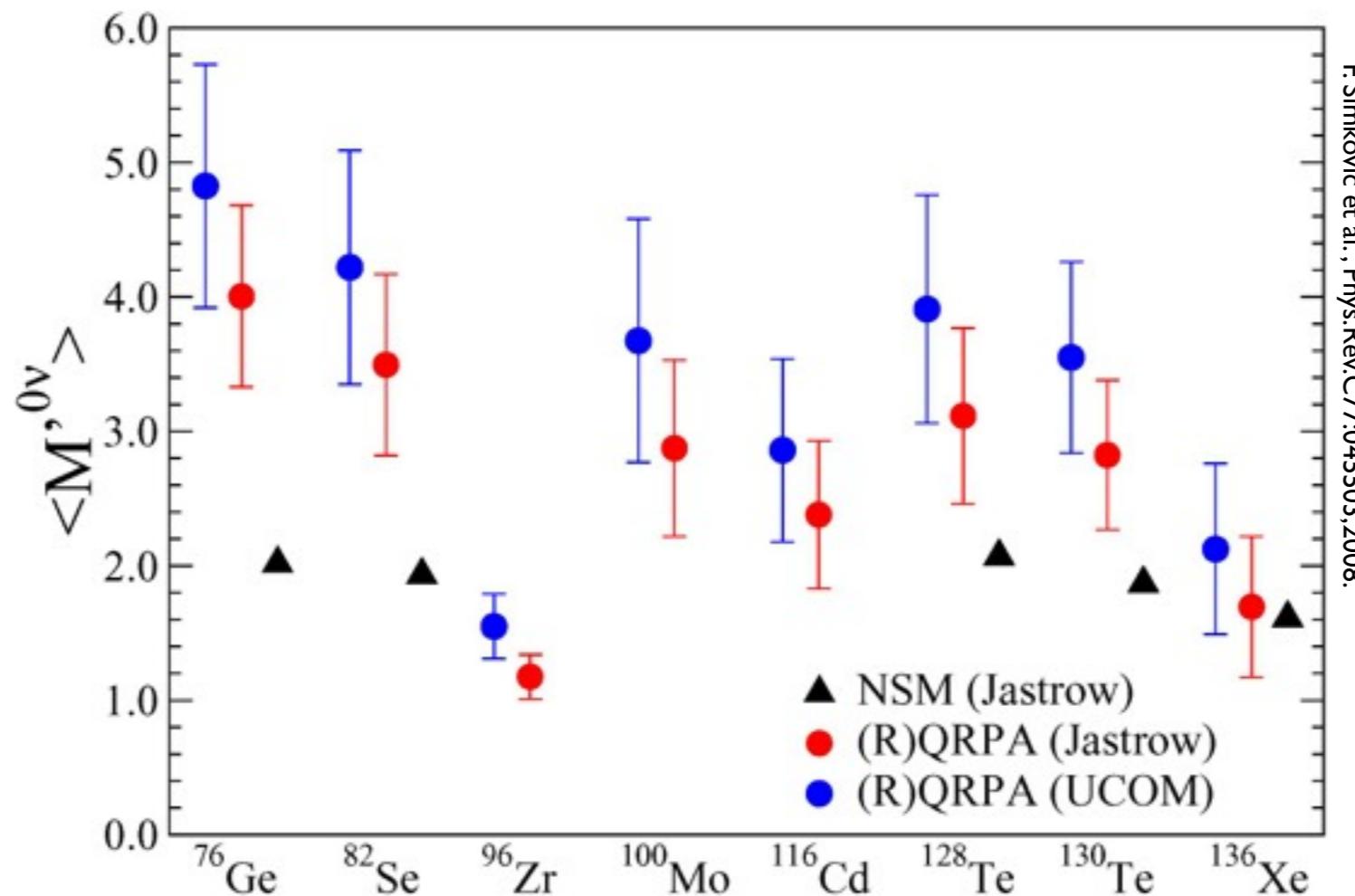
Where U_{ei} elements from the Lepton Mixing Matrix

$$U = \begin{matrix} & \nu_1 & \nu_2 & \nu_3 \\ \nu_e & c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ \nu_\mu & -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ \nu_\tau & s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{matrix}$$

$$\times \text{diag} \left(e^{i\alpha_1/2}, e^{i\alpha_2/2}, 1 \right).$$

Nuclear Matrix Elements

- Complicated theoretical calculations
 - Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)
 - Shell Model



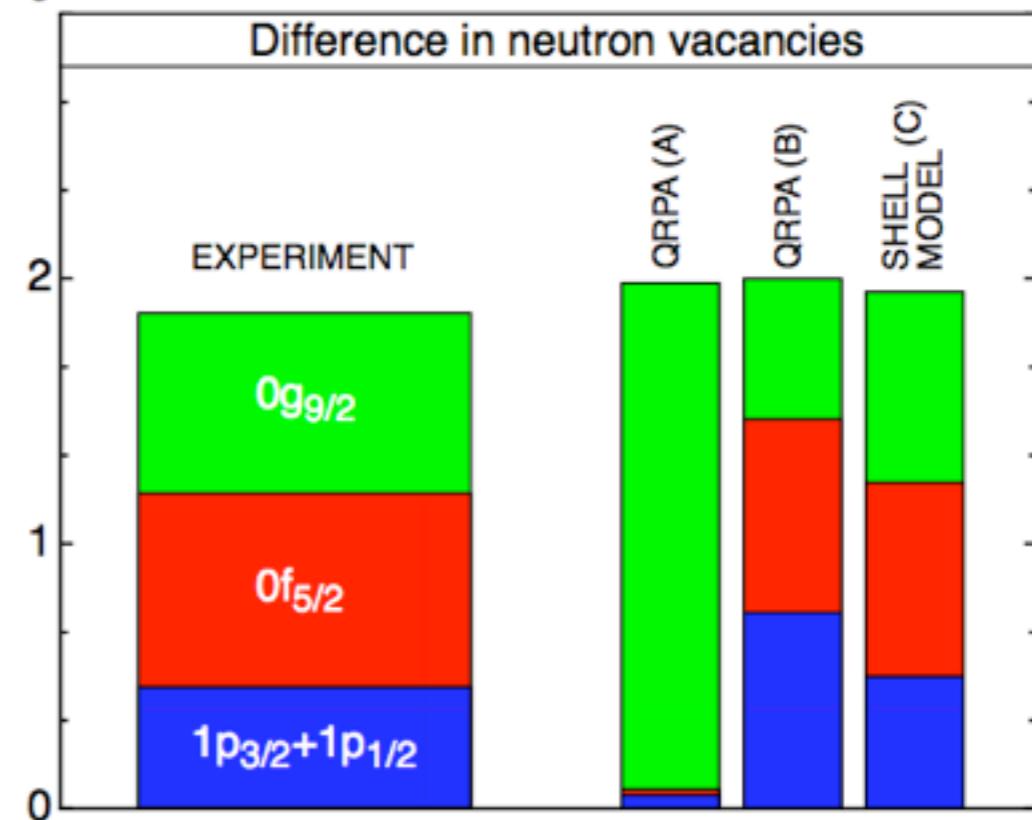
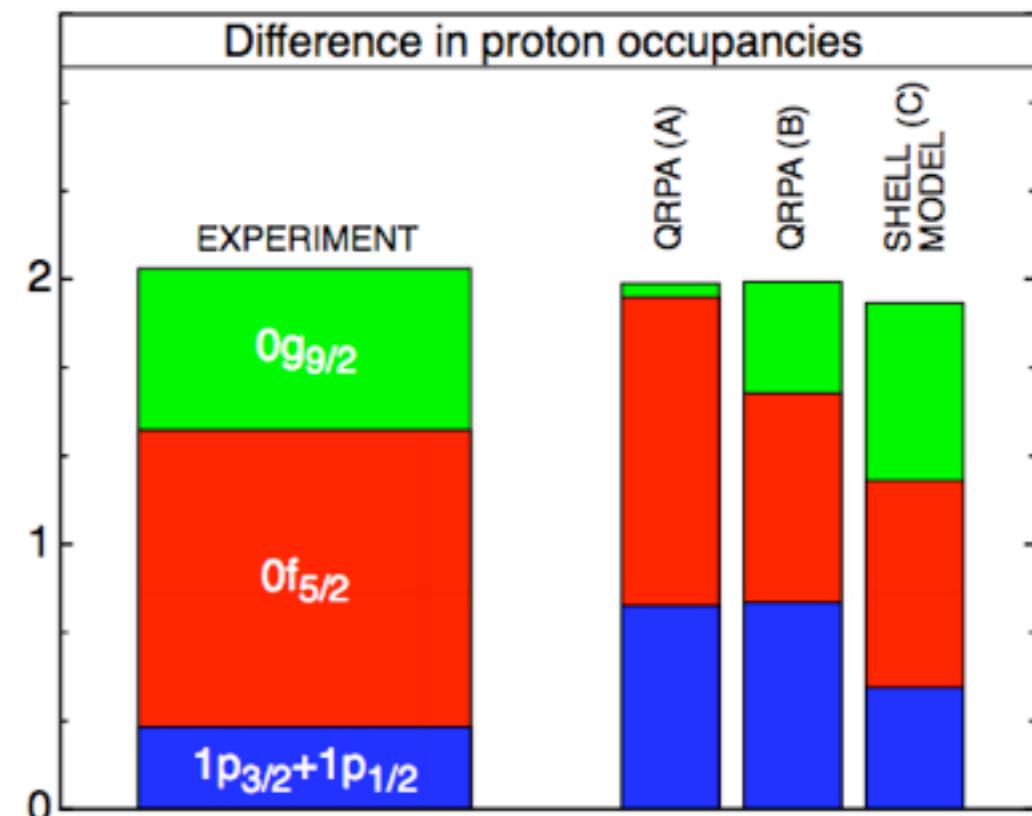
Shell Model calculations $\sim 1.5\text{-}2\times$ smaller than QRPA

Chief reason for large uncertainties in $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle$!!

Improving Nuclear Matrix Elements

- NME calculations are notoriously difficult
- Attempts to include experimental data on occupation of valence orbits
- Recent results from nucleon transfer reactions on ^{76}Ge & ^{76}Se
 - 25% correction on NME in QRPA
 - Similar experiments done for ^{130}Te and in progress for ^{136}Xe

Difference $^{76}\text{Ge} \rightarrow {}^{76}\text{Se}$



Claimed observation of $0\nu 2\beta$ in Ge

5 detectors (10.96 kg) enriched to 86%

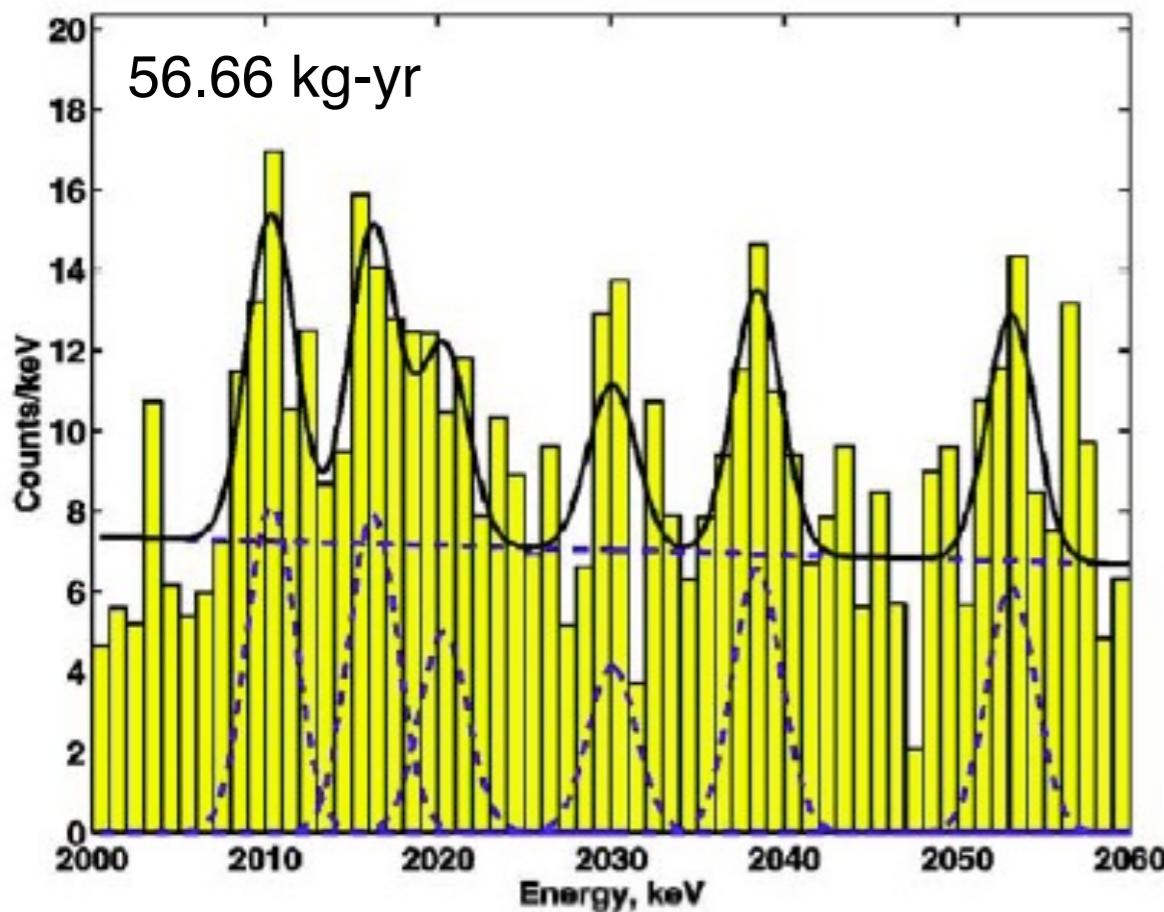
$T_{1/2} = 1.6 \times 10^{25}$ years (4 σ C.L.)

Majorana v Mass (dep. on nuclear matrix element)

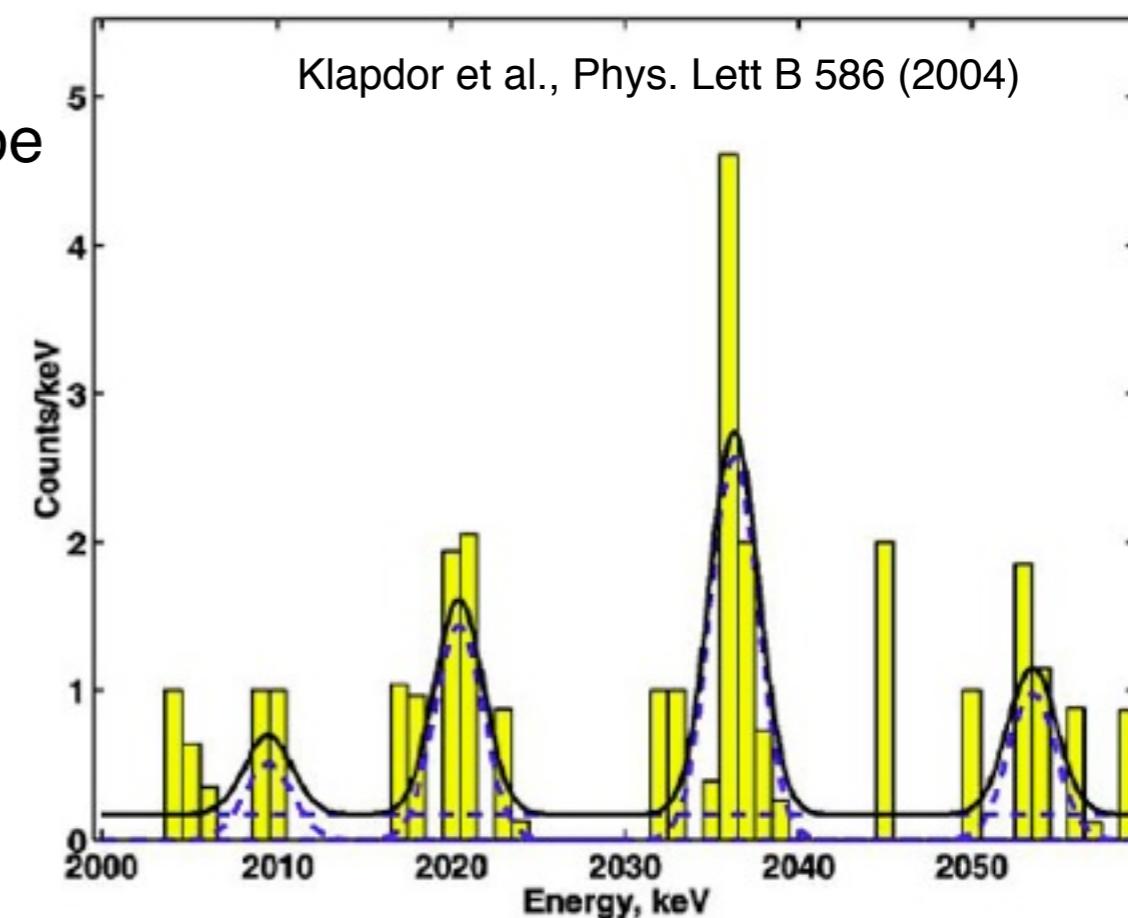
$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = 0.2\text{-}0.6 \text{ eV}$$

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle_{\text{best}} = 0.45 \text{ eV}$$

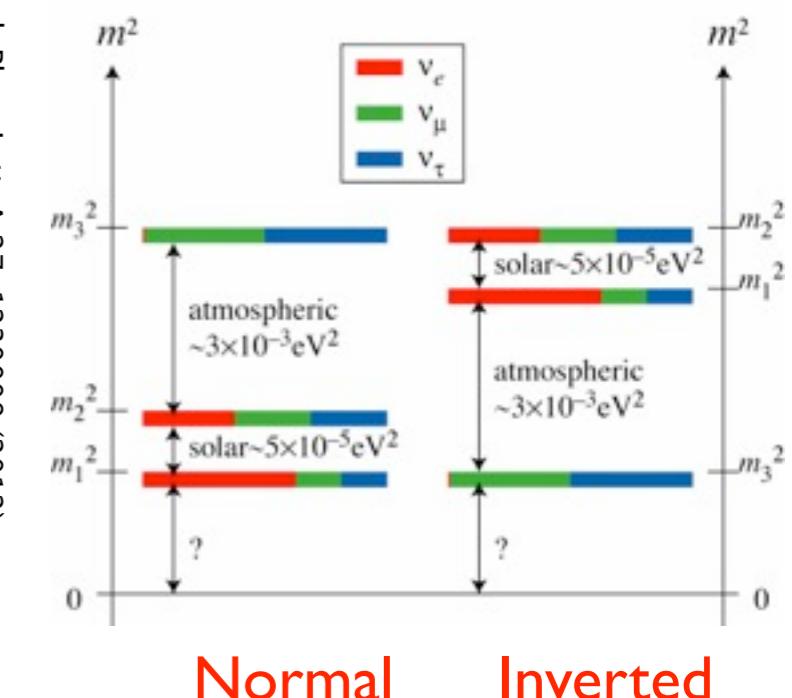
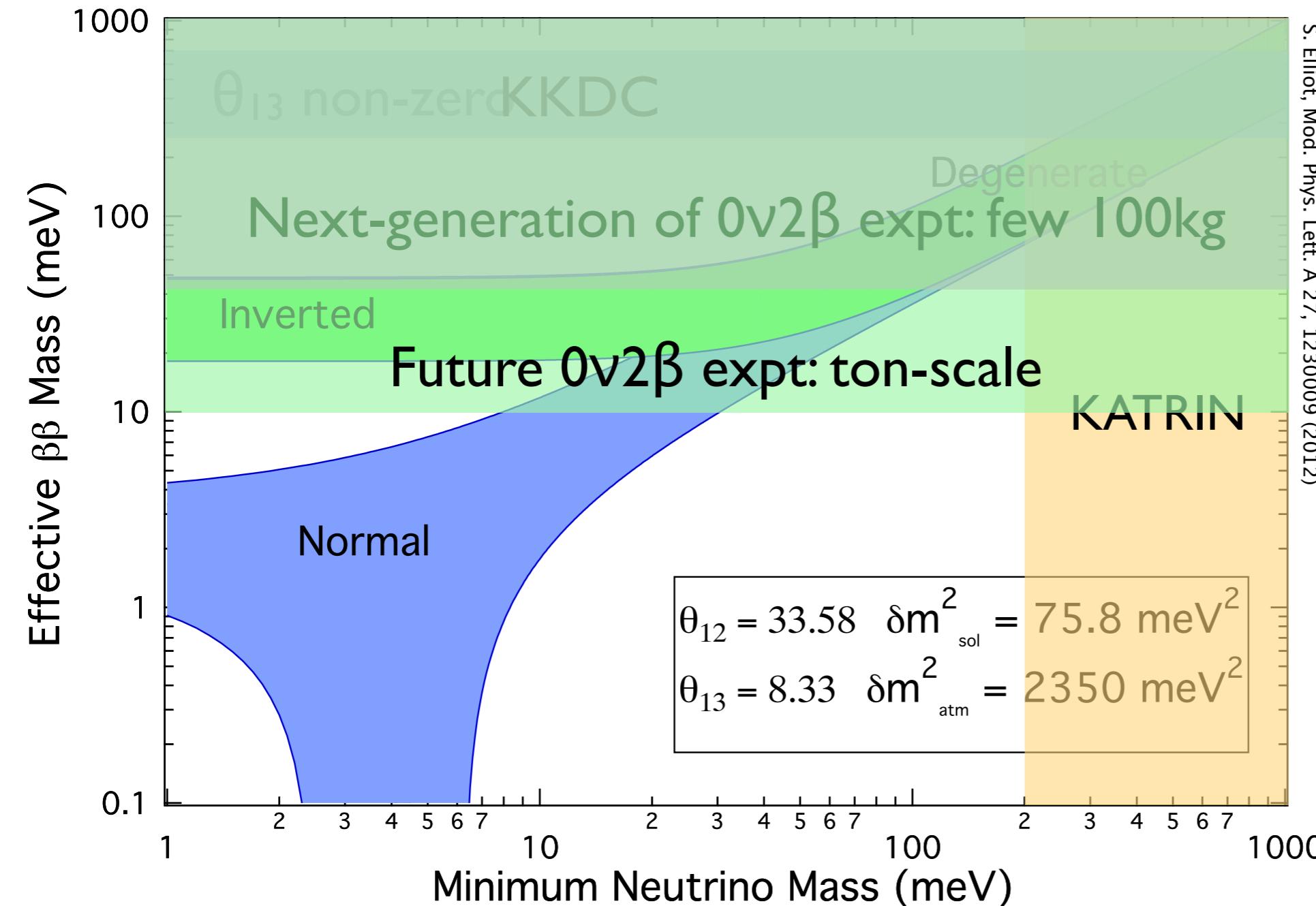
Analysis controversial, however this has become a benchmark experiment



Pulse-shape selection



Effective Majorana Mass



What does observation of $0\nu2\beta$ imply?

- Observation of $0\nu2\beta$ would:
 - Establish that the neutrino is a massive Majorana particle
 - Demonstrate lepton number violation
 - Measure the effective Majorana mass
- Necessary ingredient for See-Saw mechanism

Q and Background

Natural radioactivity (^{40}K , ^{60}Co , $^{234\text{m}}\text{Pa}$, external ^{214}Bi and $^{208}\text{TI}...$)

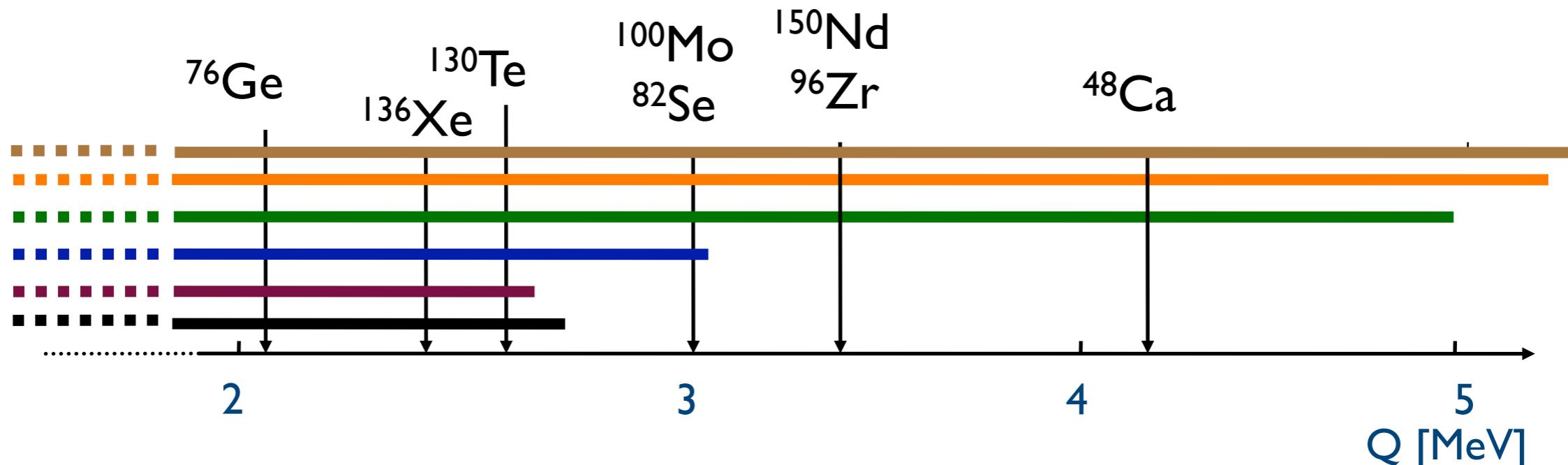
^{214}Bi and Radon

^{208}TI (2.6 MeV γ line) and Thorium

γ from (n,γ) reactions

Surface or bulk contamination in α emitters

Cosmogenic production



Experimental sensitivity

More conventional to express it in $T_{1/2}$:

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \epsilon \frac{a}{\bar{A}} \sqrt{\frac{Mt}{b\Delta E}}$$

Diagram illustrating the factors affecting experimental sensitivity ($T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$):

- Detector Efficiency** (ϵ)
- Isotopic Fraction** (a)
- Atomic Mass** (\bar{A})
- Background Rate**
- Detector Resolution**
- Running Time** (Mt)
- Detector Mass**

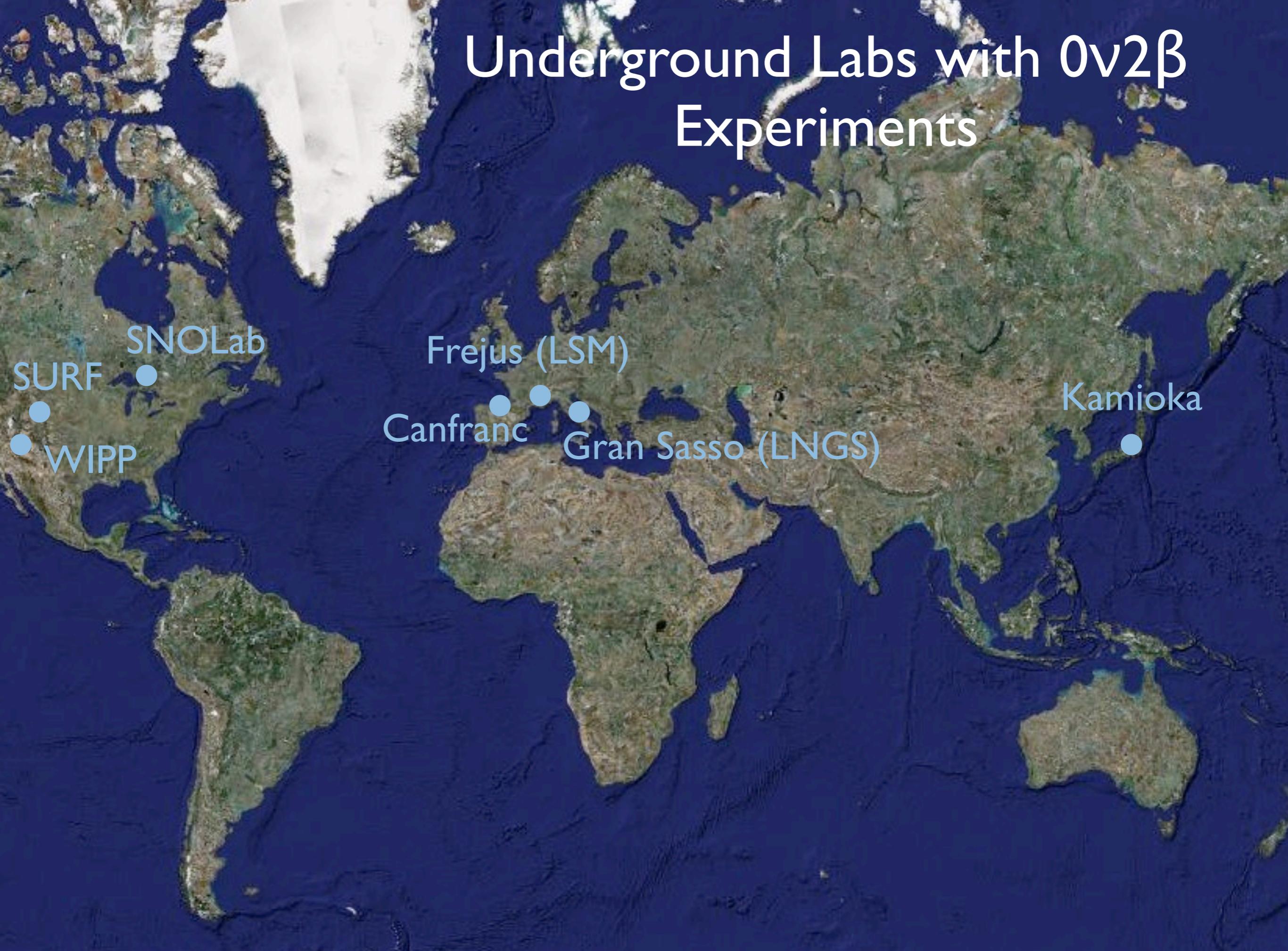
Arrows indicate the relationships between these factors and the final expression for $T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$.

Reminder: $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = M_{0\nu} [G_{0\nu} T_{1/2}^{0\nu}]^{-1/2}$

Incomplete overview of experiments

Isotope	Experiment	Technique	Mass	Enriched	$Q_{\beta\beta}$ [MeV]	Start/Stage
^{130}Te	Cuoricino	TeO_2 bolometers	40.7kg	No	2.6	Done
$^{82}\text{Se}, ^{100}\text{Mo}$	NEMO-3	tracko-calorimeter	0.9kg/6.9kg	Yes	3.37	Done
^{76}Ge	GERDA	Ge diodes in LN_2	34.3kg	86%	2.04	2009
^{136}Xe	EXO-200	LXe [tracking]	150kg	80%	2.47	2010
^{136}Xe	KamLAND	Isotope in LS	400kg	90%	2.47	2012
^{130}Te	CUORE	TeO_2 bolometers	204kg	No	2.53	2014
^{150}Nd	SNO+	Isotope in LS	56kg	No/50%	3.37	2014
^{76}Ge	Majorana	Ge diodes	30-60kg	86%	2.04	2015
$^{82}\text{Se}, ^{150}\text{Nd}$	SuperNEMO	tracko-calorimeter	100kg	Yes	3.37	2014
^{100}Mo	MOON	tracking	1t	No	3.03	Prototype
^{116}Cd	COBRA	CdZnTe semicond	?	No	2.80	Prototype
^{48}Ca	CANDLES	CaF_2 cryst in LS	few t	No	4.27	Prototype

Underground Labs with $0\nu2\beta$ Experiments



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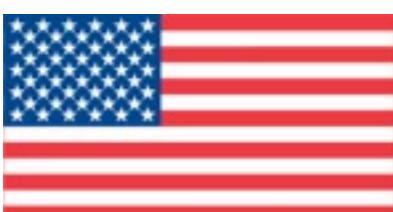
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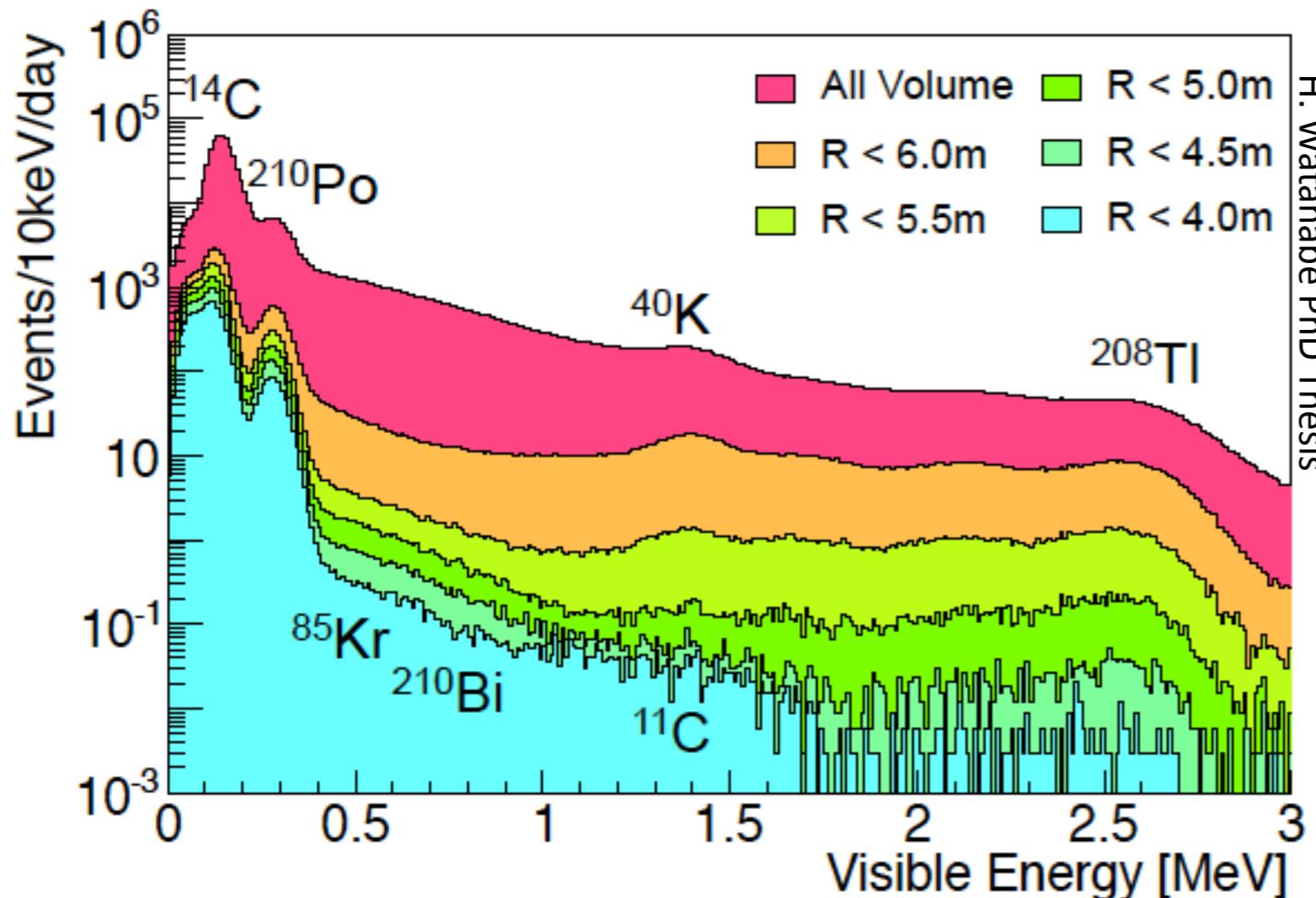
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KamLAND Scintillator



Natural BGs:

$^{238}\text{U}: < 10^{-17} \text{ g/g}$

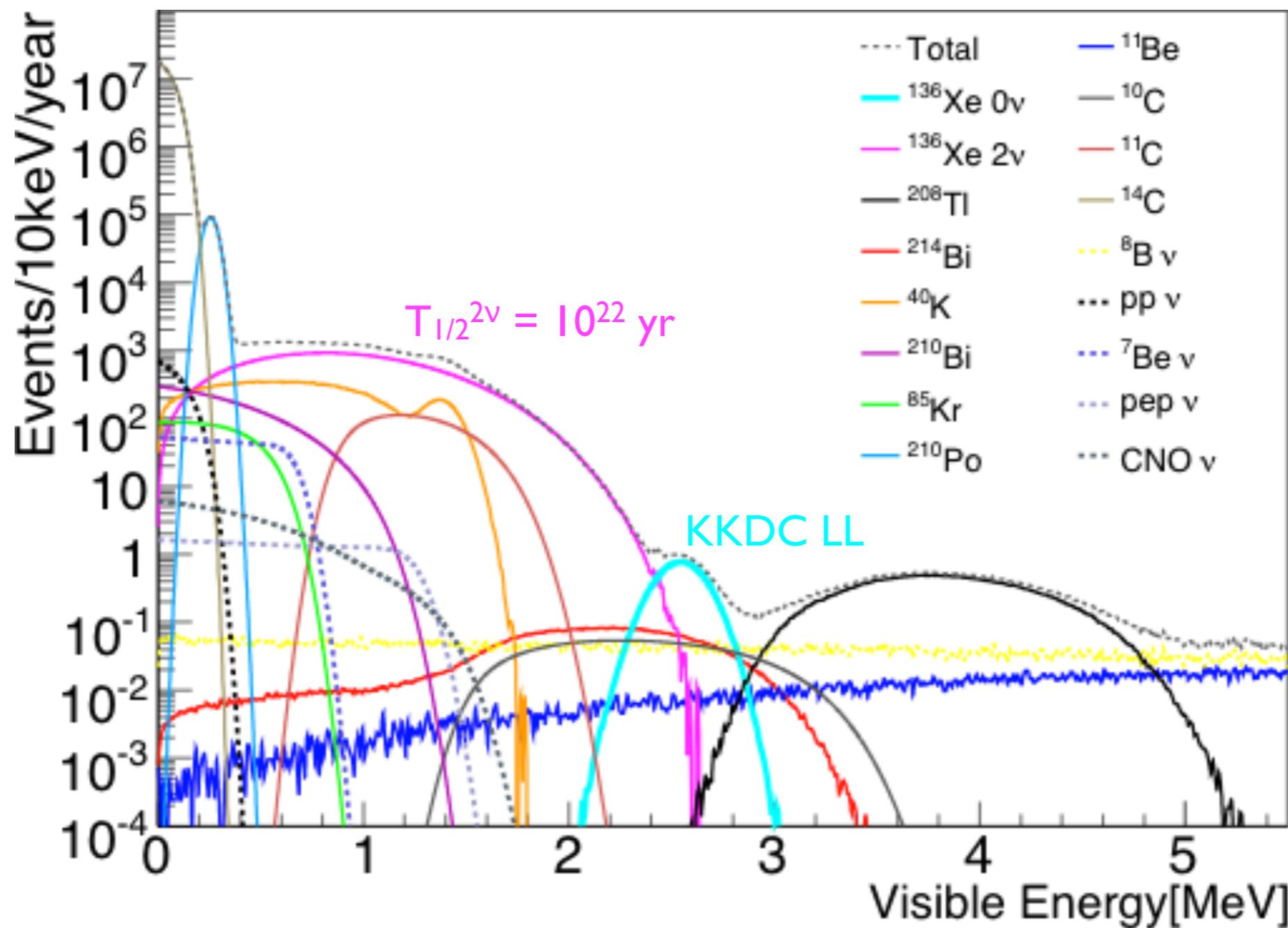
$^{232}\text{Th}: < 10^{-16} \text{ g/g}$

$^{40}\text{K}: \leq 10^{-16} \text{ g/g}$

One of the cleanest environments in the world!

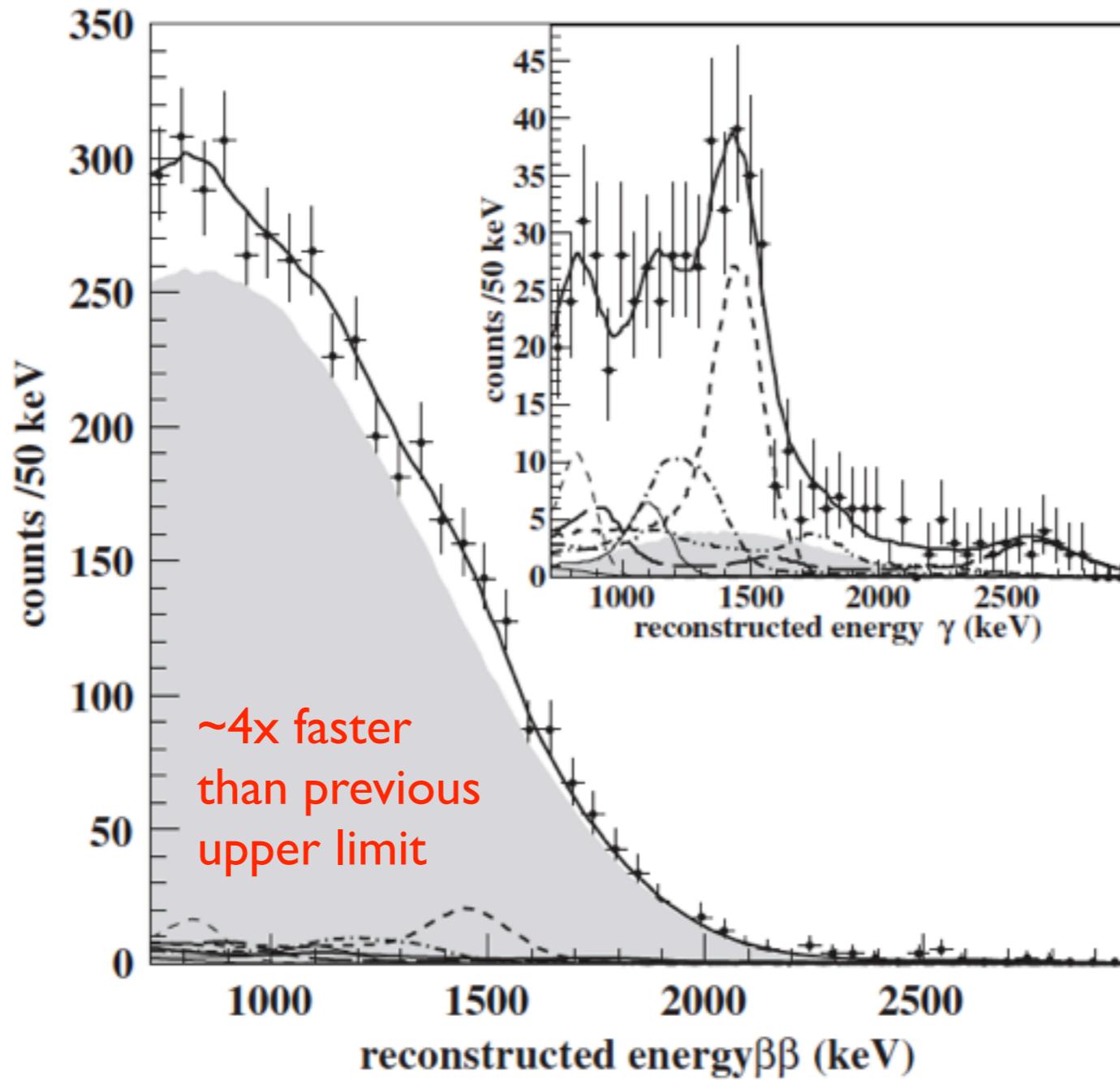
Simulated ${}^{136}\text{Xe}$ $0\nu\beta\beta$ signal in KL

As of 2010...



EXO-200 ^{136}Xe $2\nu\beta\beta$

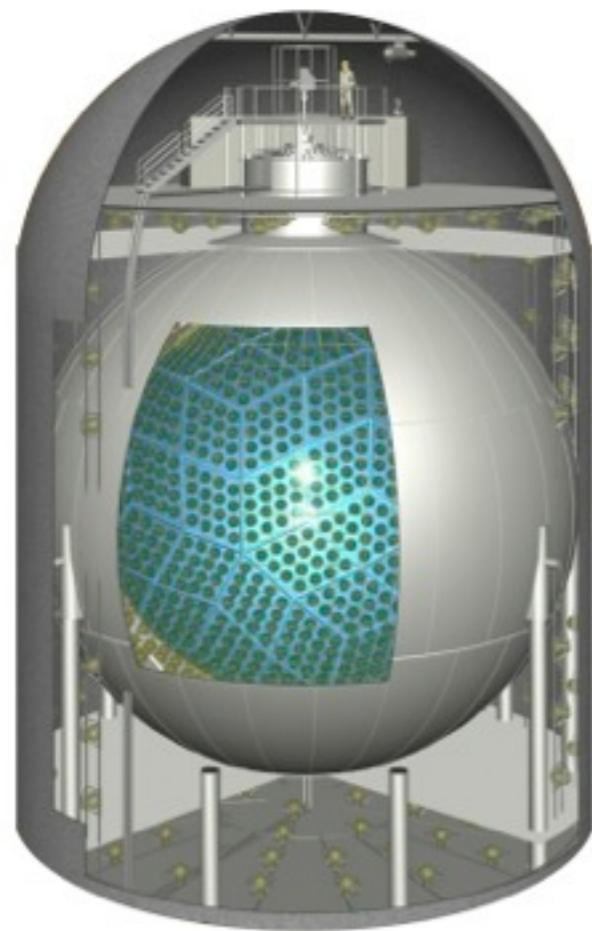
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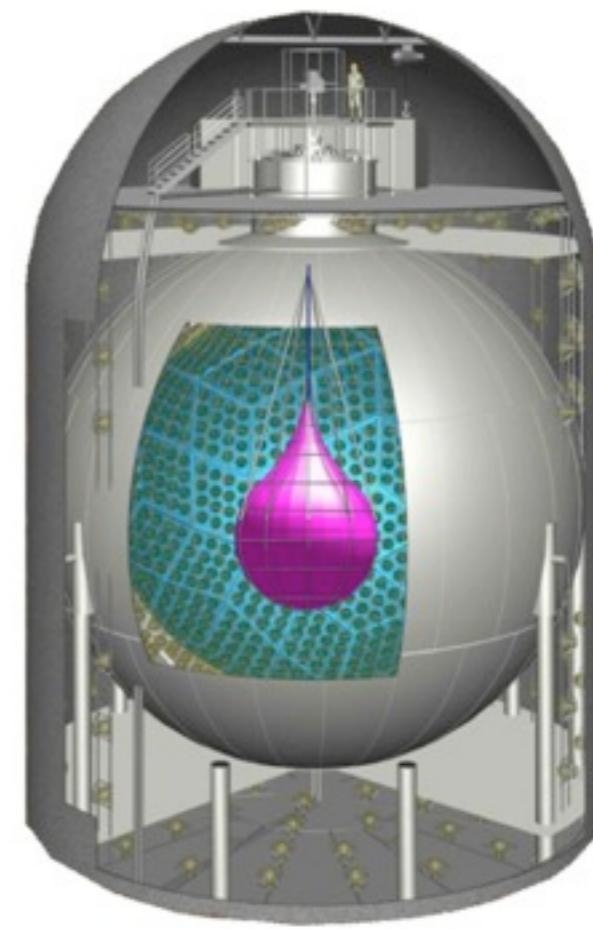
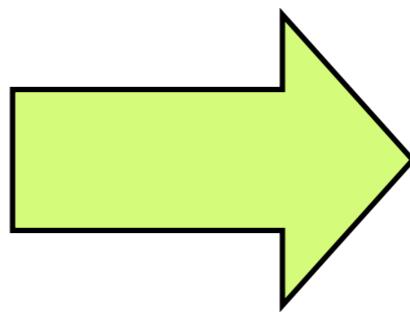
N. Ackerman et al. [EXO Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 212501 (2011)

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Towards the KamLAND-Zen detector



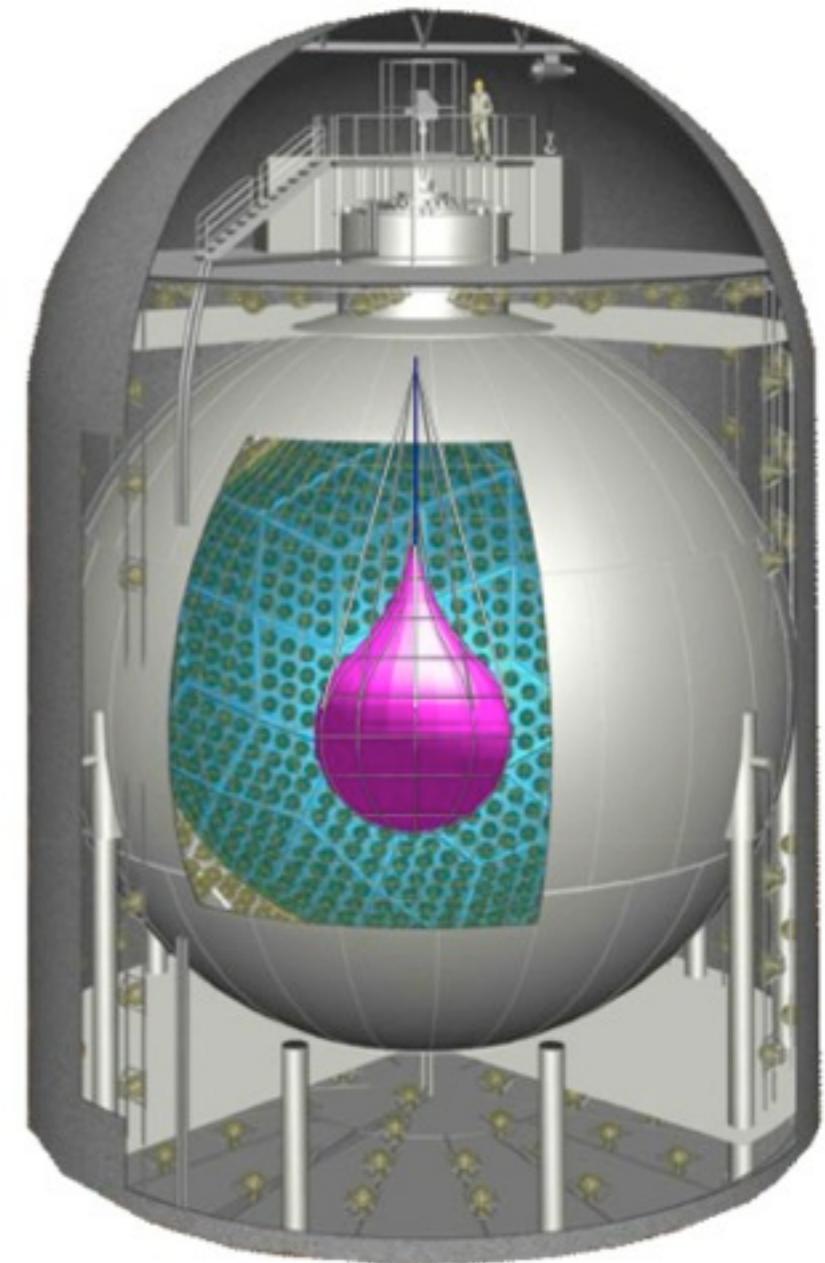
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KamLAND-Zen

KamLAND-Zen advantages & disadvantages

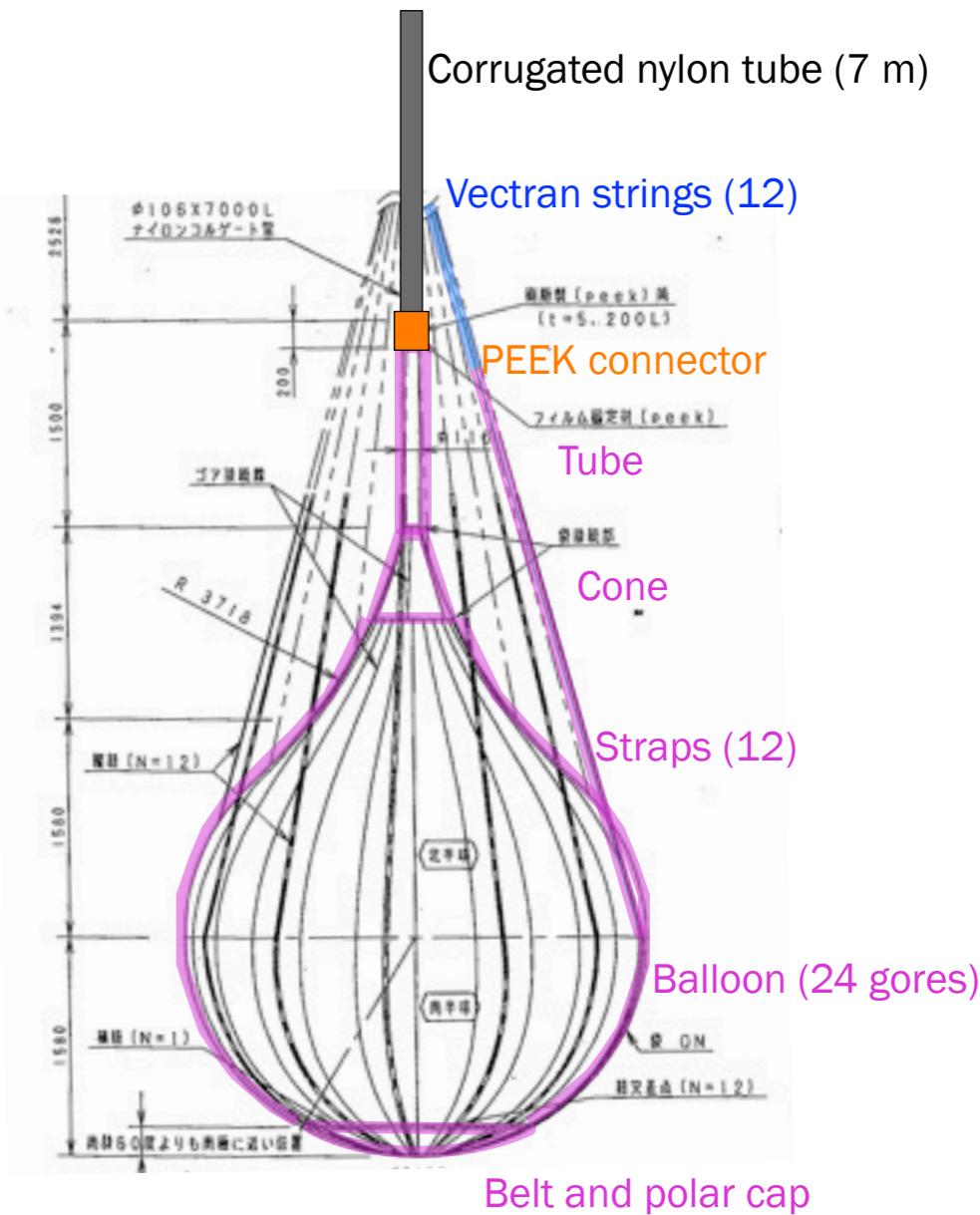
- +Well-understood detector
- +Highly pure, self-shielding environment
- +Large $\beta\beta$ source mass, scalable
- -Relatively poor energy resolution
- -No particle identification



Miniballoon

- Requirements

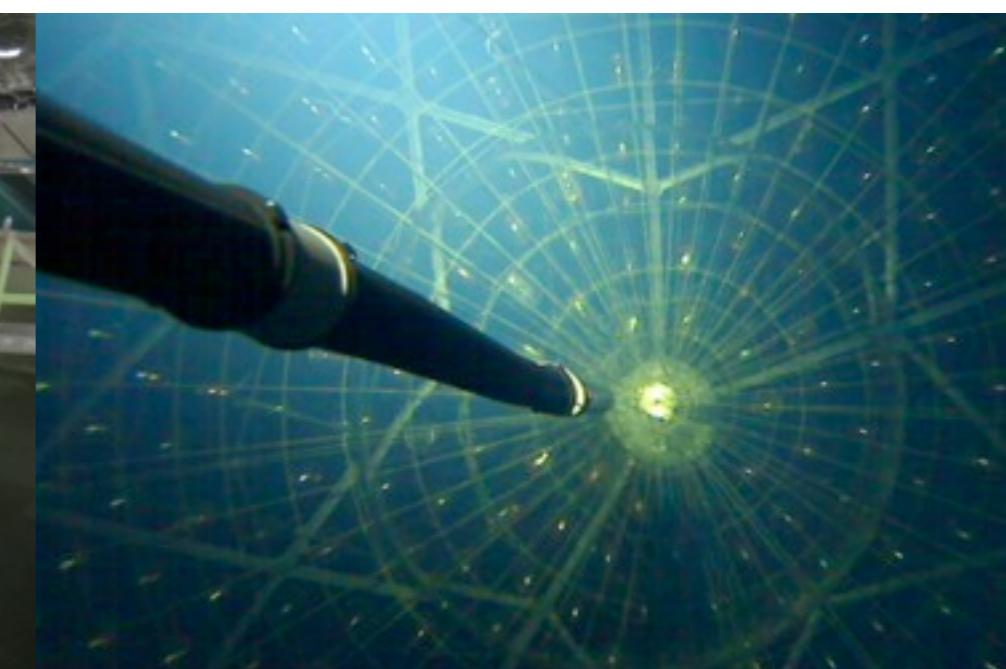
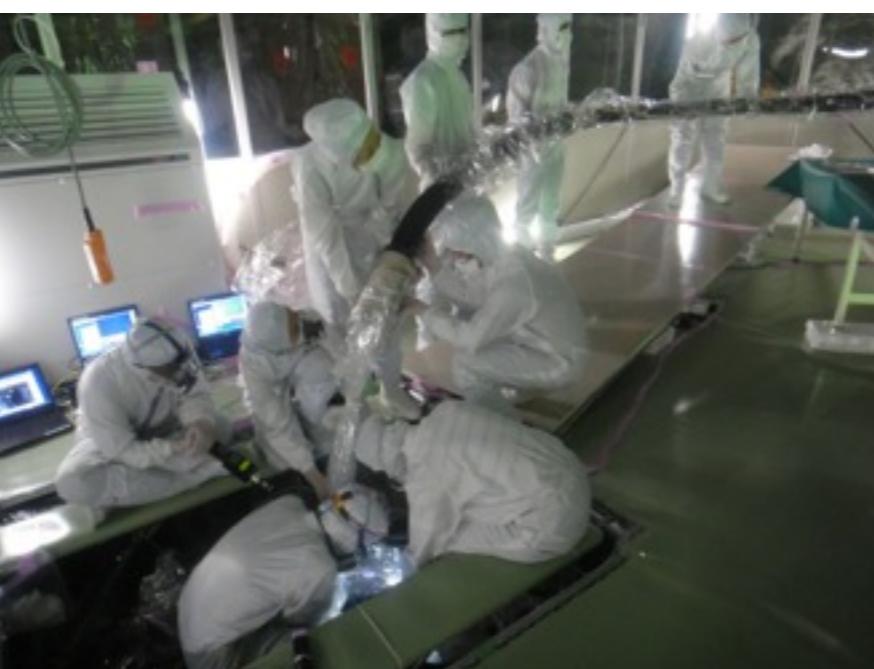
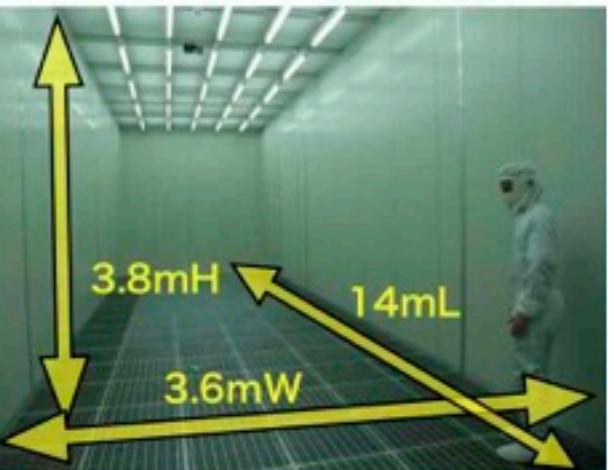
- Chemical compatibility with LS
- Mechanically strong, low radioactivity
- Barrier against Xe
- Transmission of scintillation light



- Material: 25 μm thick ultra-pure nylon
 - $\text{U/Th/K} \leq 10^{-12} \text{ g/g}$
 - 1/4 & full scale tests in air and water

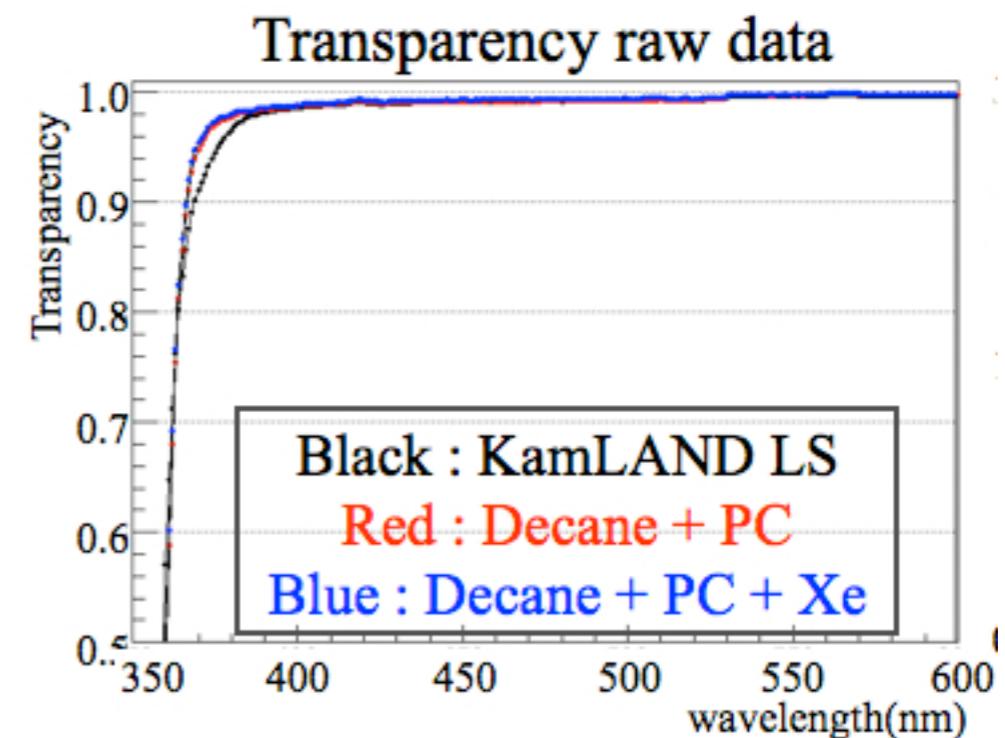
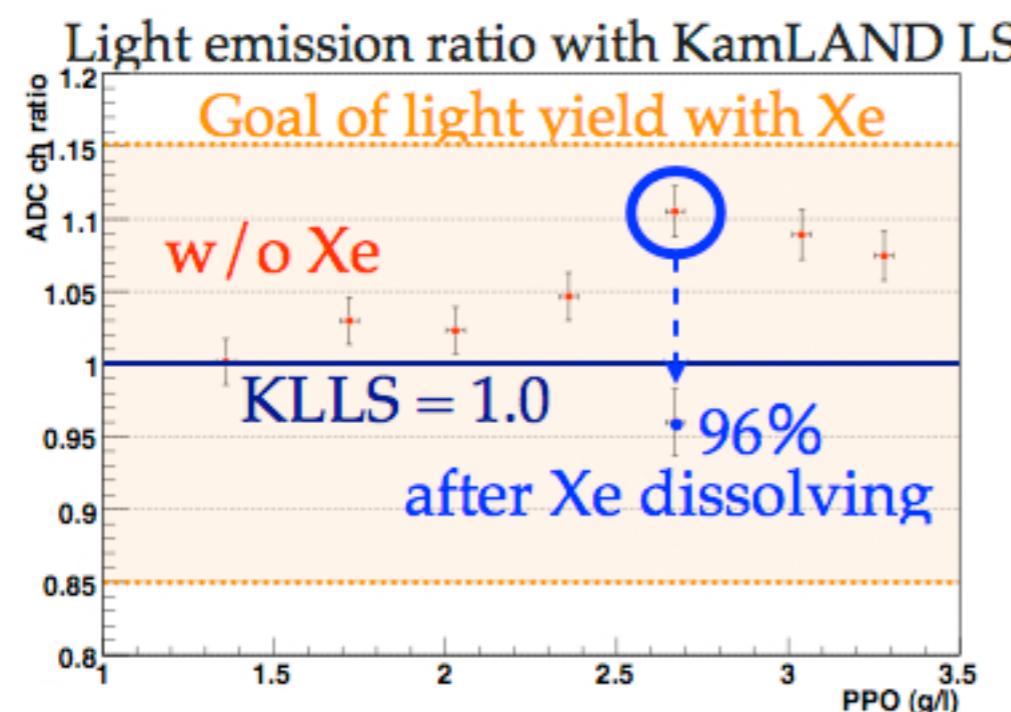
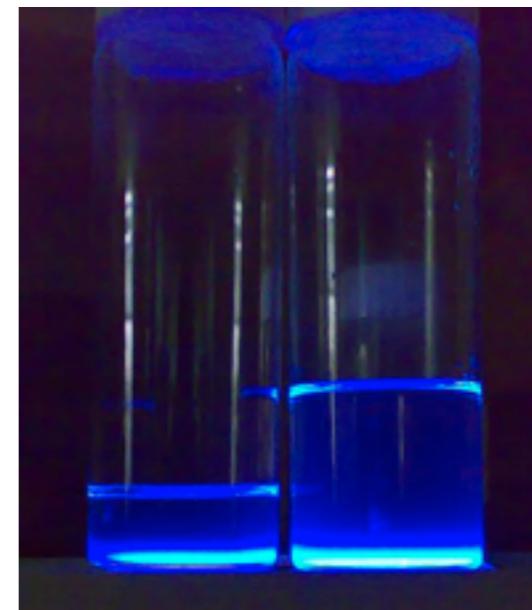
Mini-Balloon Construction

May-Aug 2011



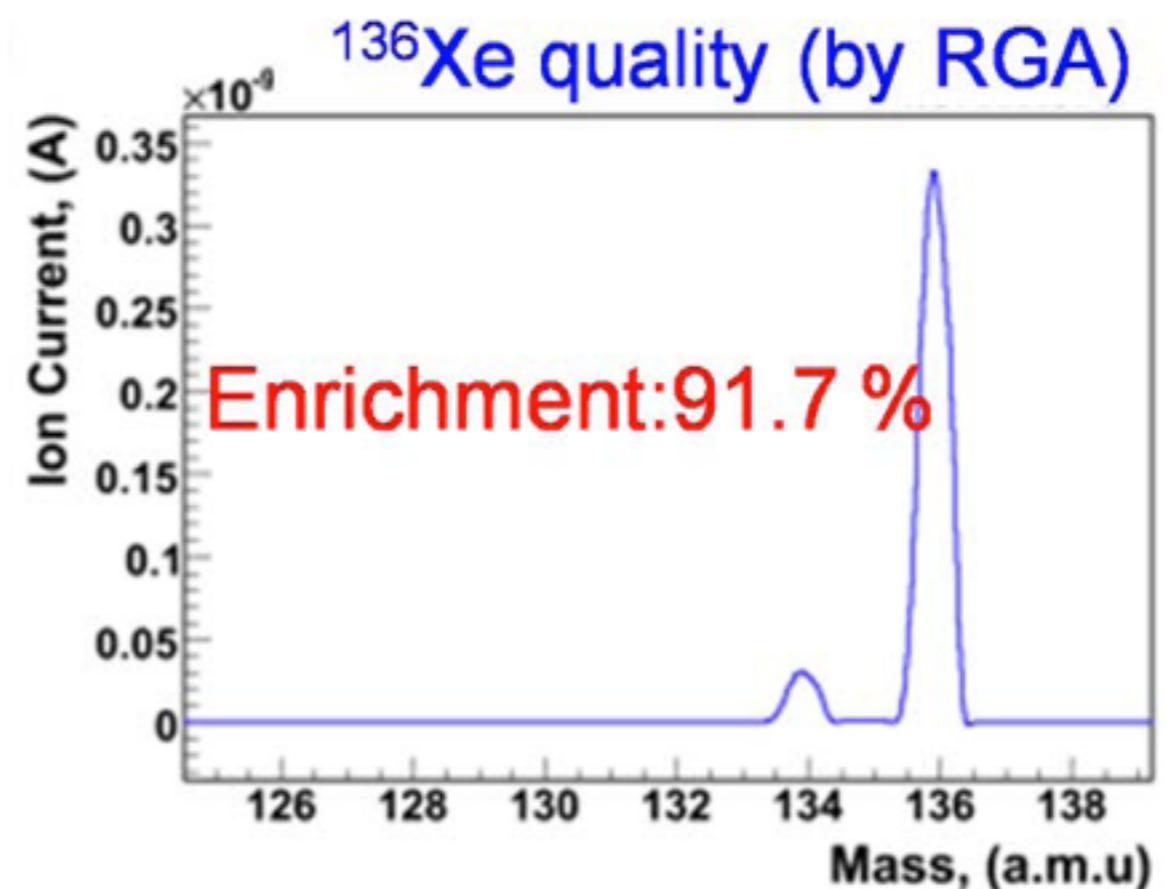
Xe-LS R&D

- Maximize Xe mass in LS, but maintain light yield and transparency
- Must also match density of KamLAND LS for balloon integrity
- Trade PPO \square Xe: optimal point at 2.7 g/L PPO = 2.5% ^{enr}Xe (by weight)



Xe Procurement

- Enrichment by gas centrifuge in Russia
- 190 kg purchased in 2009
- 215 kg purchased in 2010

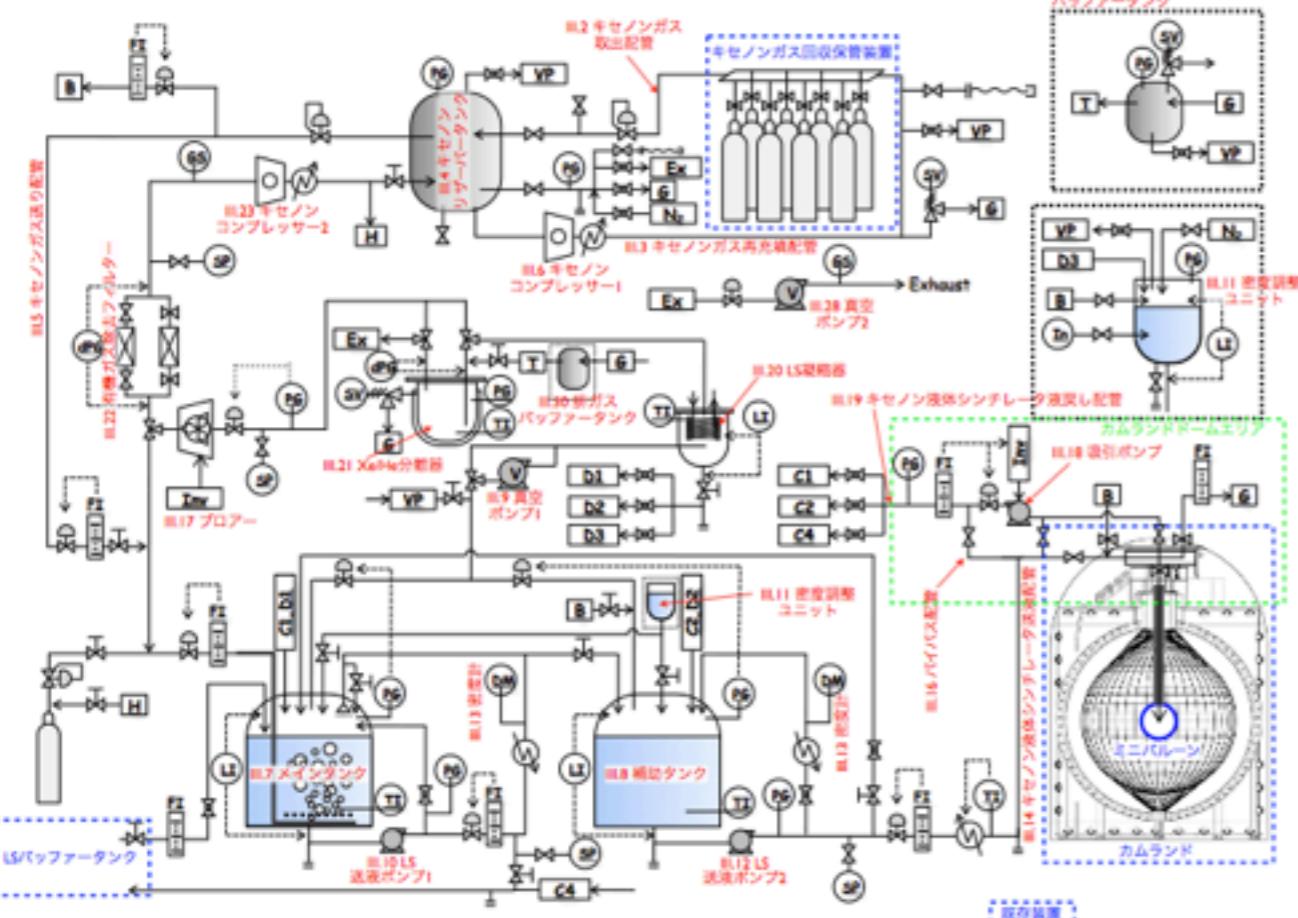


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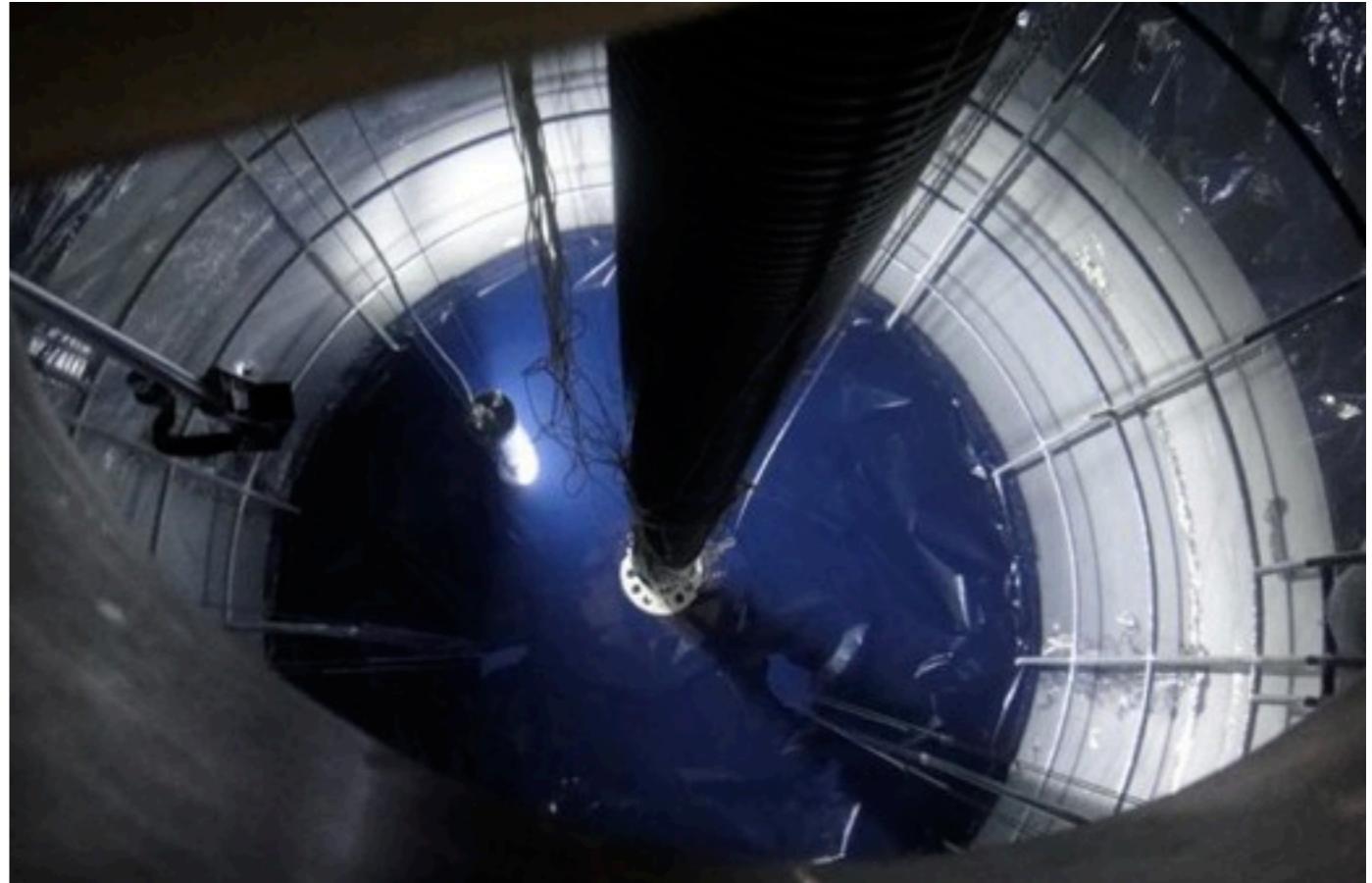


Xe-LS Handling System

図1 装置全体のフロー概念図



Mini-balloon Installation (August 2011)



Clean room at the top of detector

Filling the Mini Balloon

Aug-Sept 2011

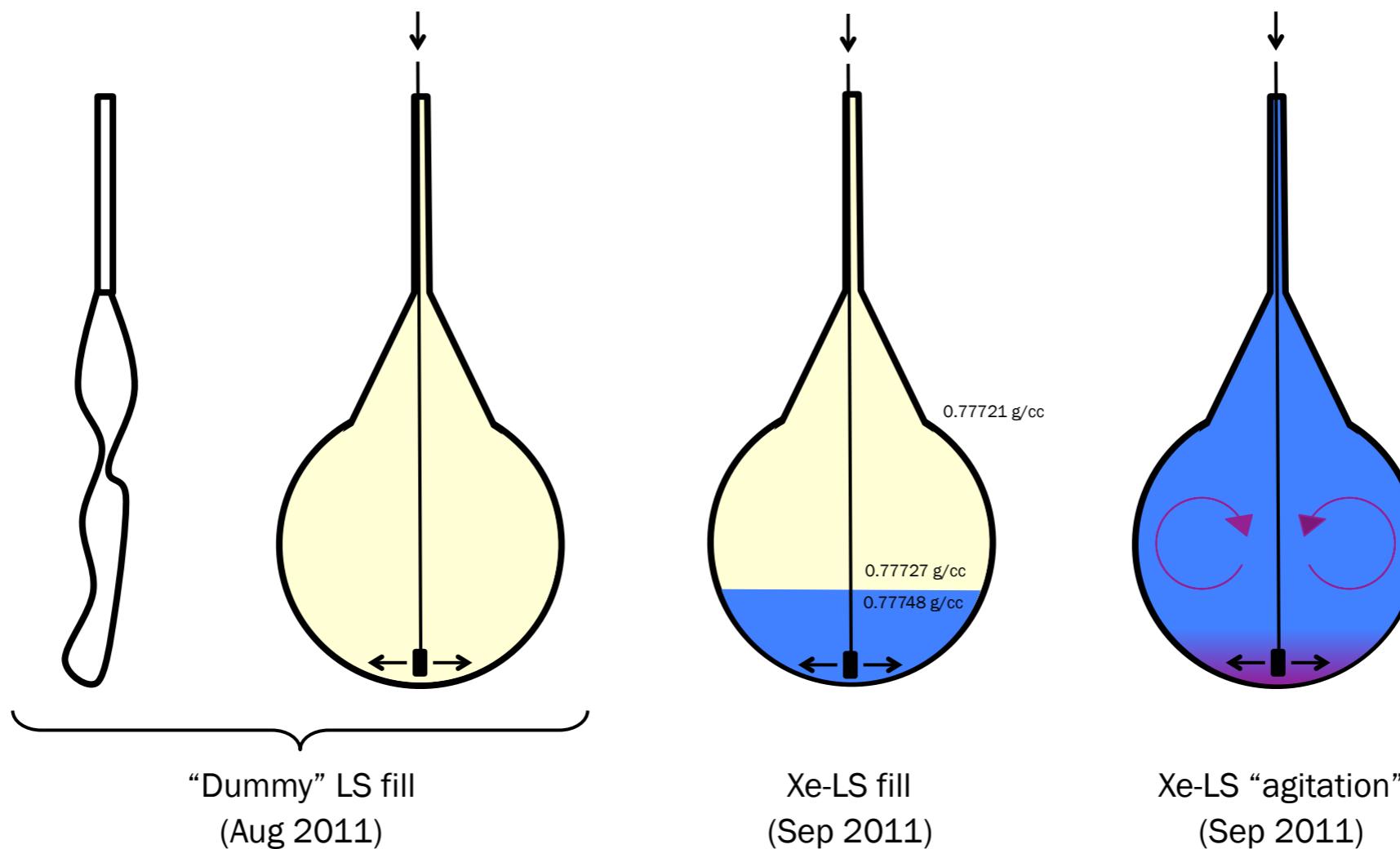
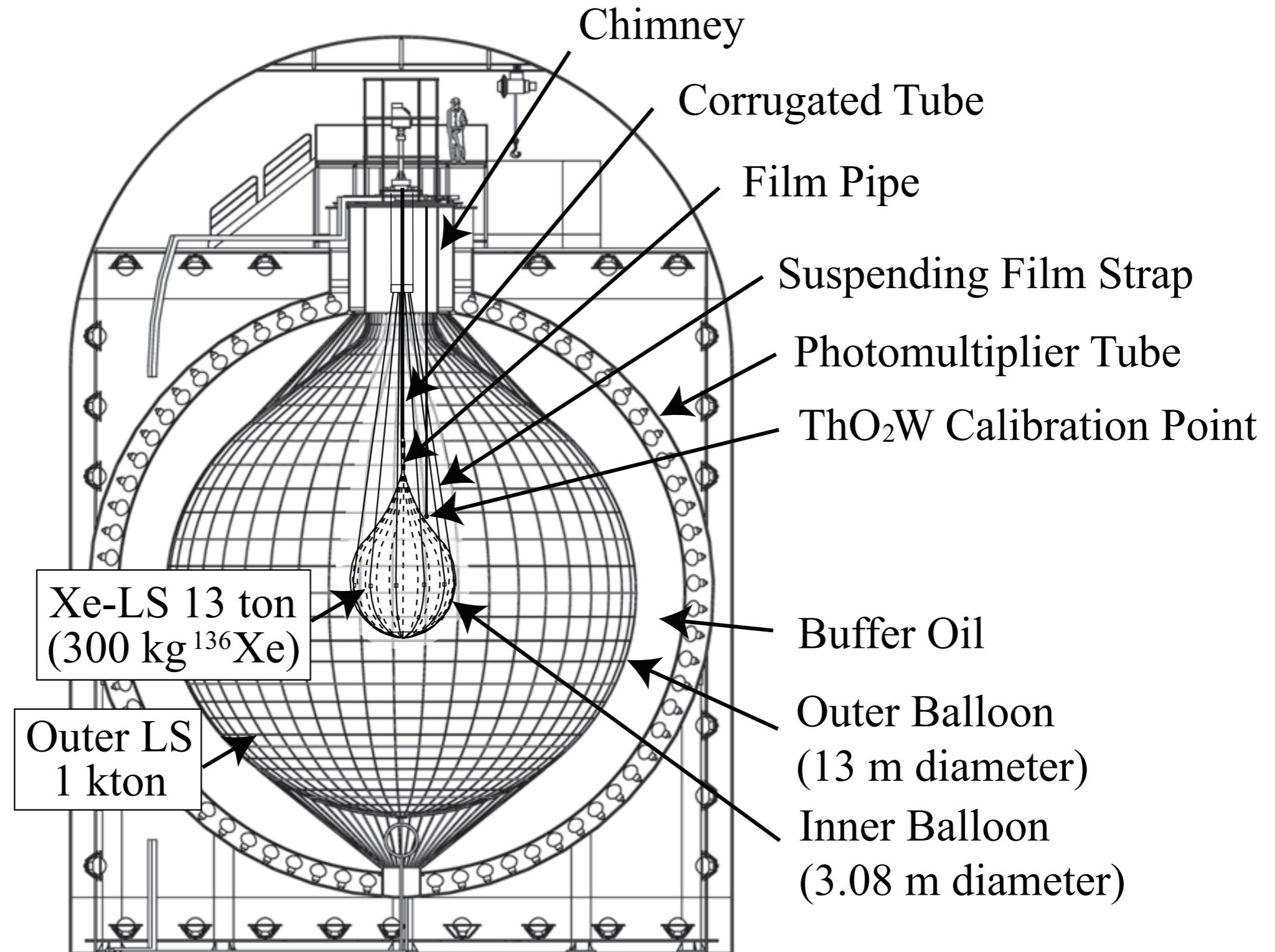
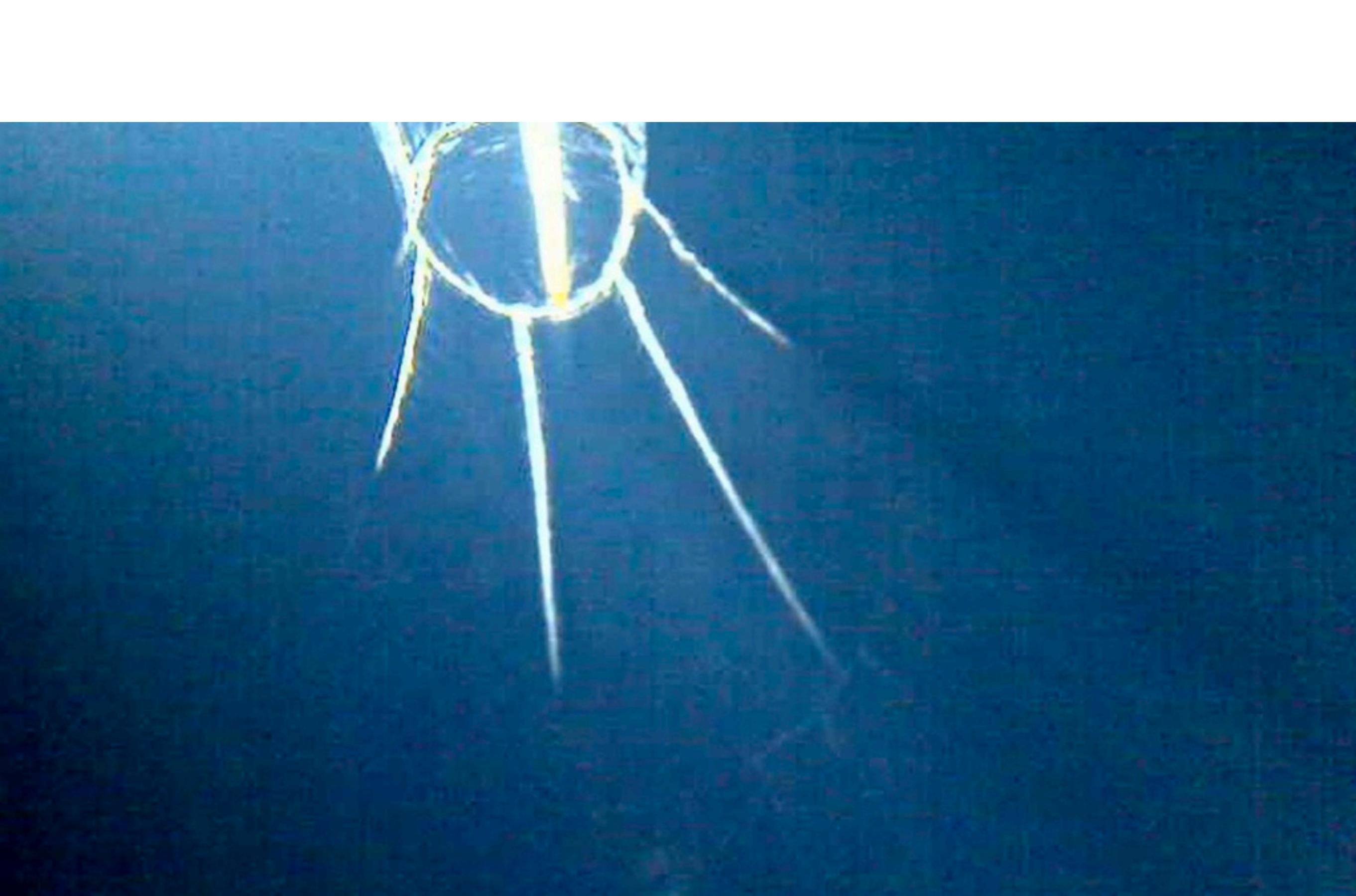


Diagram of the detector

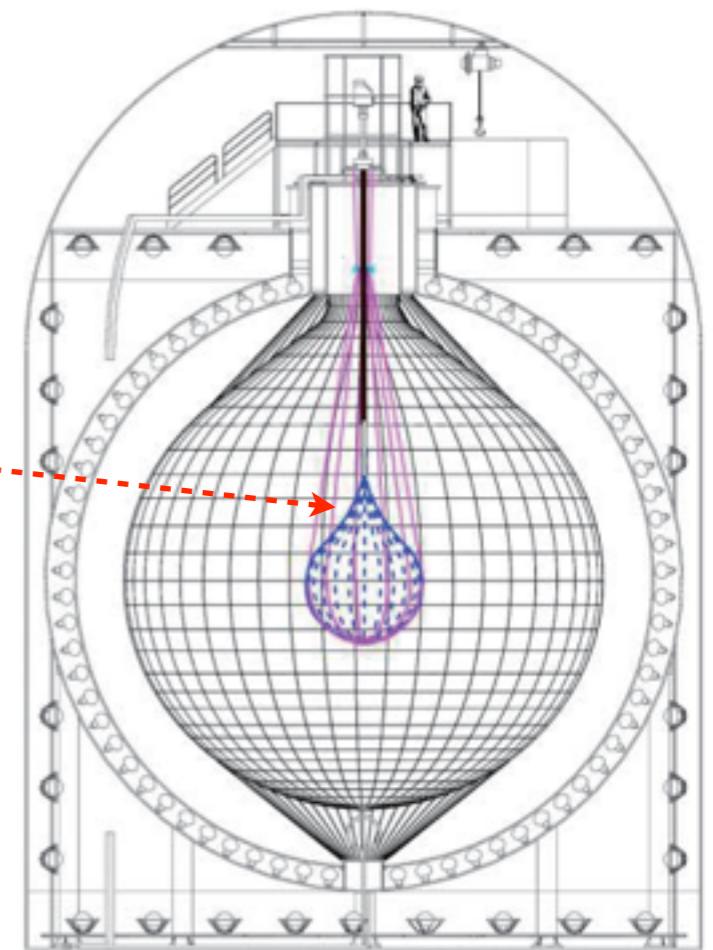
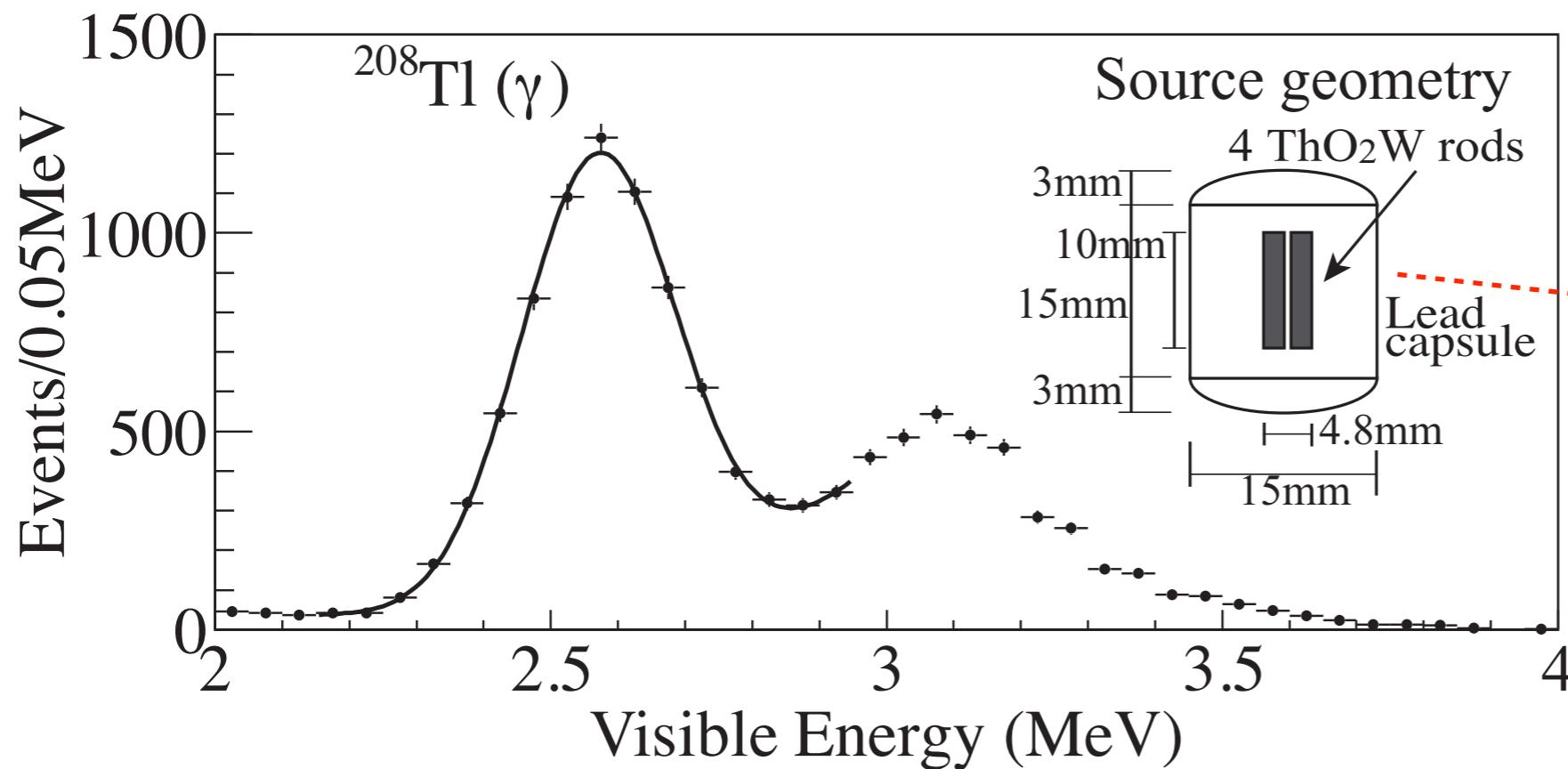




Calibration

KamLAND is well-understood. Previous reconstruction algorithms can be easily adapted

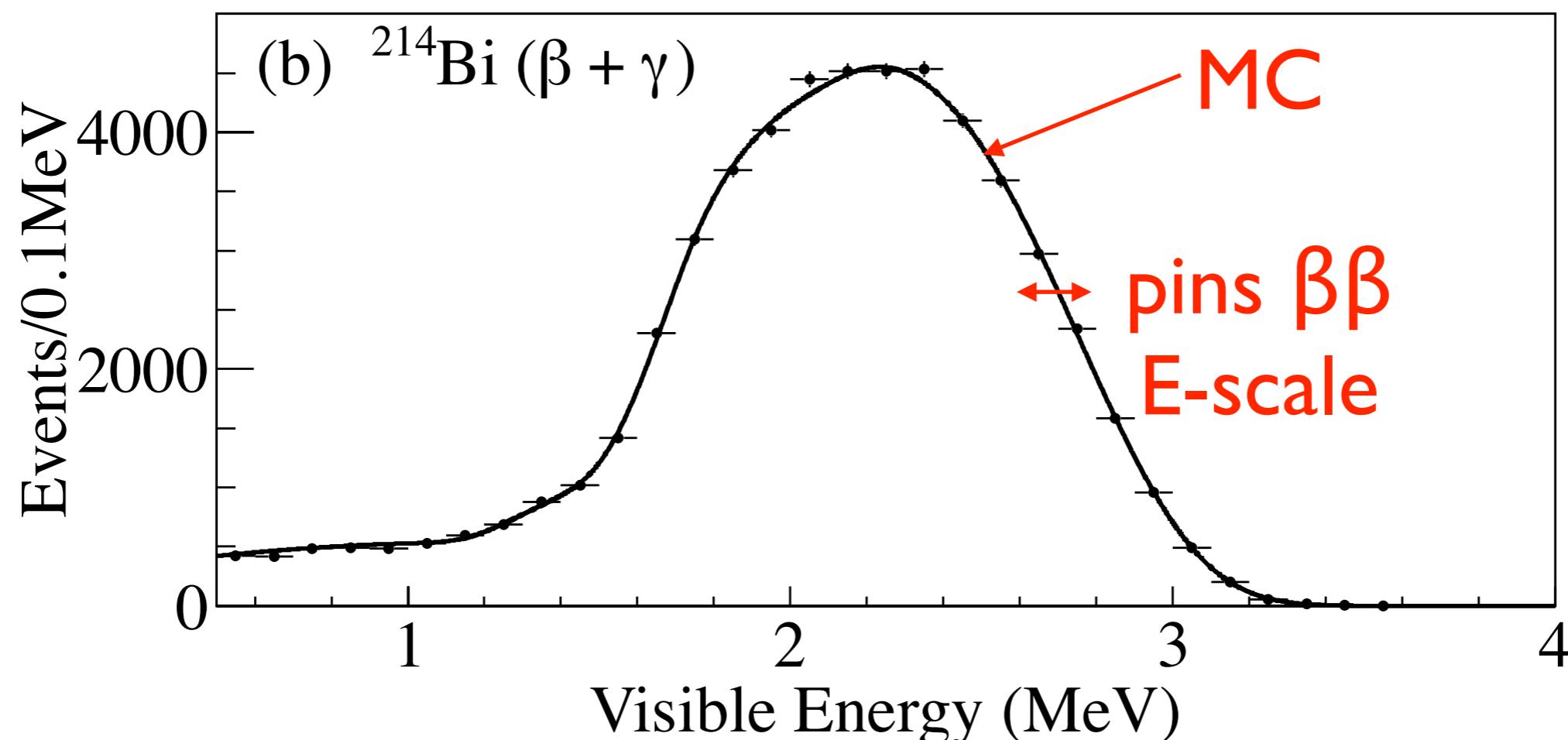
Energy calibration



$$\sigma = (6.6 \pm 0.3)\% / \sqrt{\text{MeV}}$$

In-situ ^{214}Bi Fit

from ^{222}Rn ($\tau = 5.5$ days) at start of data taking



^{214}Bi together with the ThO_2W source determine energy scale

$0\nu\beta\beta$ Candidate Selection

- Fiducial volume: $R < 1.2 \text{ m}$

Fiducial mass = 129 kg ^{136}Xe

- Veto:

- Muons ($> 10\text{k p.e. or } > 5 \text{ OD hits}$) and 2ms following them

Livetime = 77.6 days

- Bi-Po coincidences
($\Delta t < 3 \text{ ms}, 0.35 \text{ MeV} < E_{\text{prompt}} < 1.5 \text{ MeV}$)

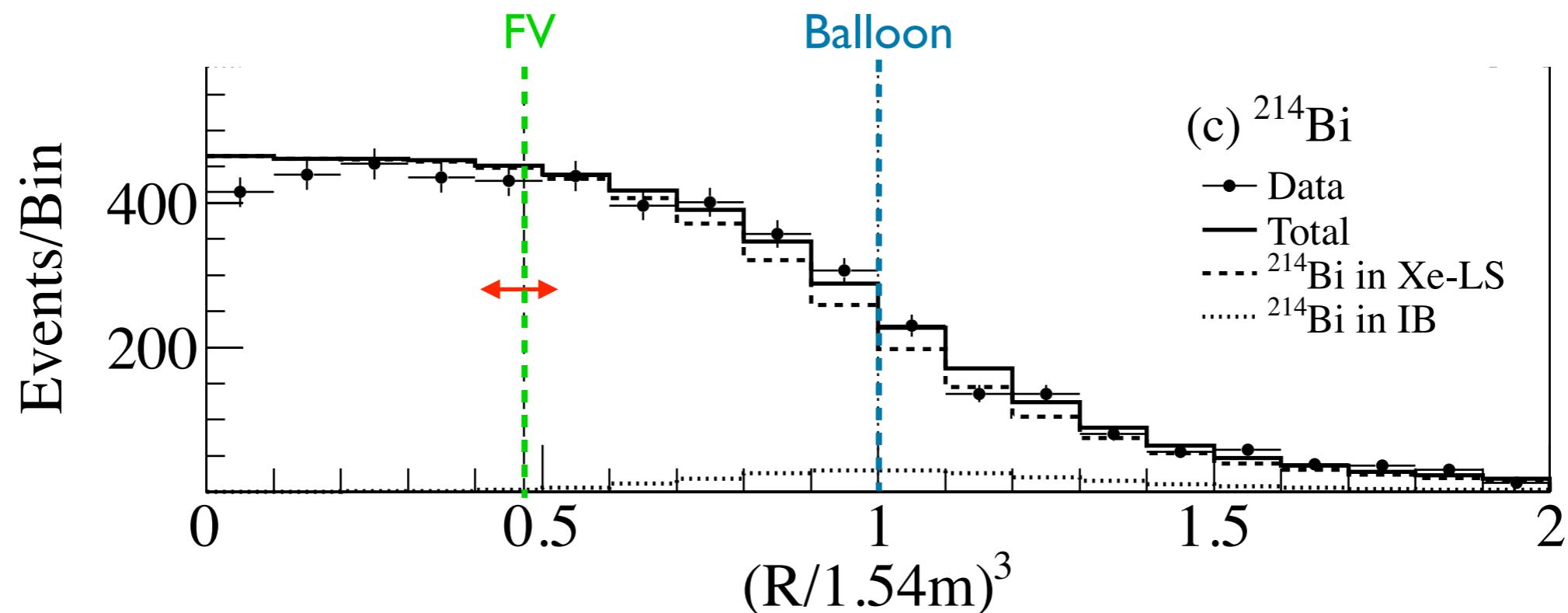
- Anti-neutrinos
($\Delta t < 1 \text{ ms}, E_{\text{prompt}} > 1.5 \text{ MeV}$)

- Noise cuts (good vertex)

$\varepsilon > 99.9\%$

Systematic Uncertainties

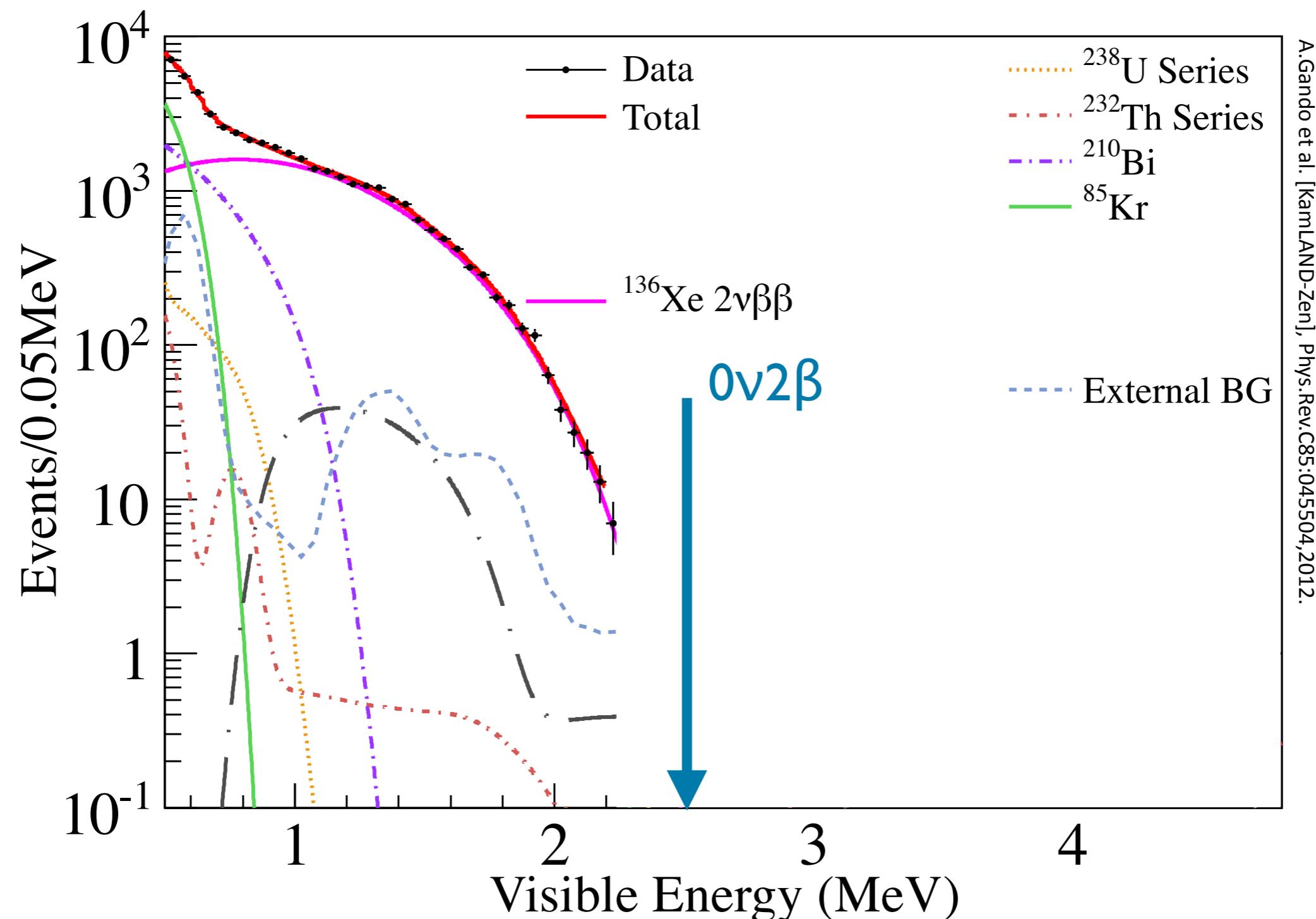
- Fiducial Volume: R^3 of ^{214}Bi in early data uniform to within 5.2%



- Xe concentration measured with gas chromatography to within 2.8%
- Enrichment, E-scale, efficiency, livetime,
Xe-LS edge effect uncertainties all <0.3%

Combined systematic uncertainty: 5.9%

Energy Spectrum

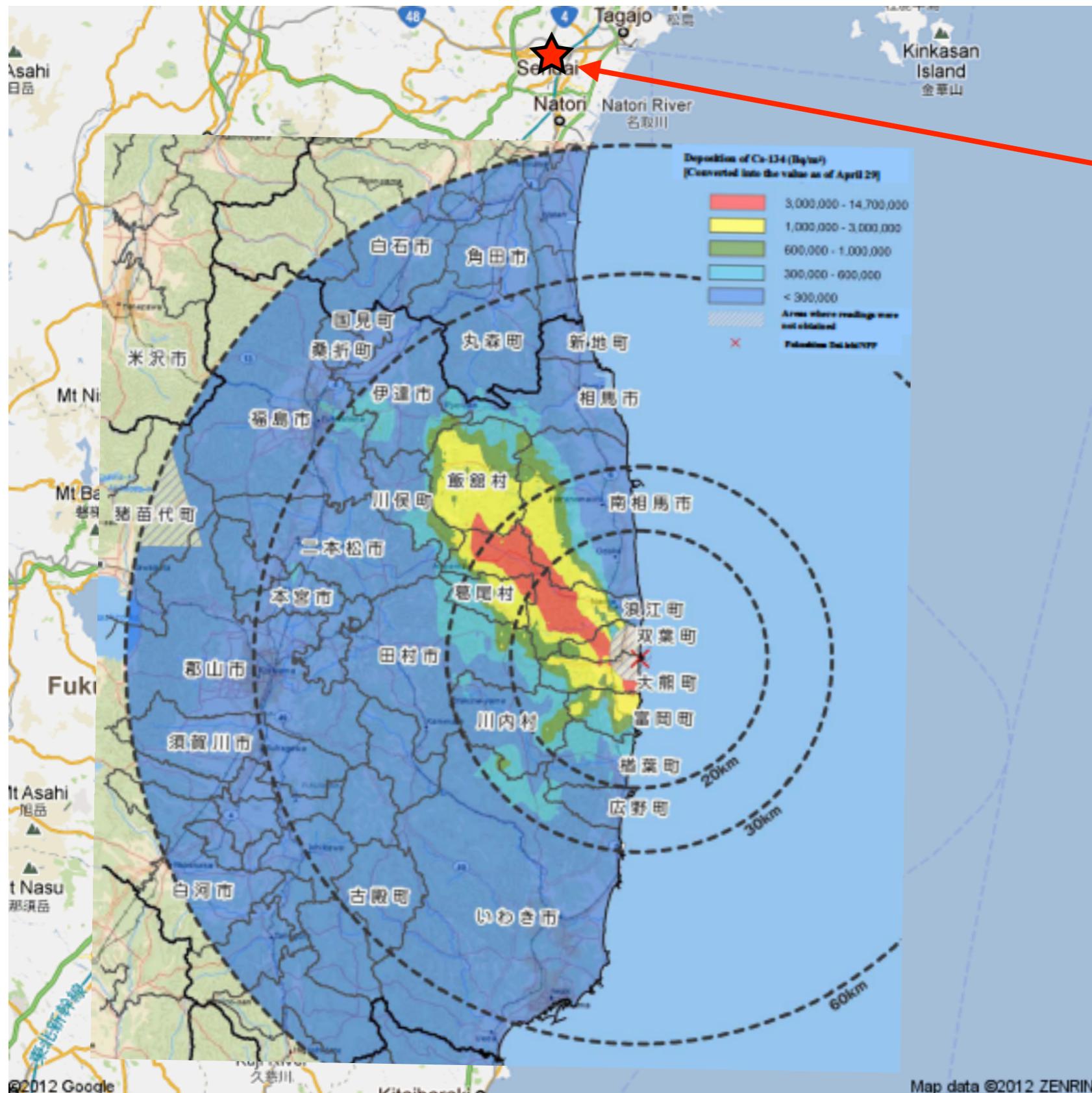


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Consistent with EXO 2.11×10^{21} yr

Fukushima Fallout



Tohoku University and
balloon fabrication
~100km from
Fukushima NPP

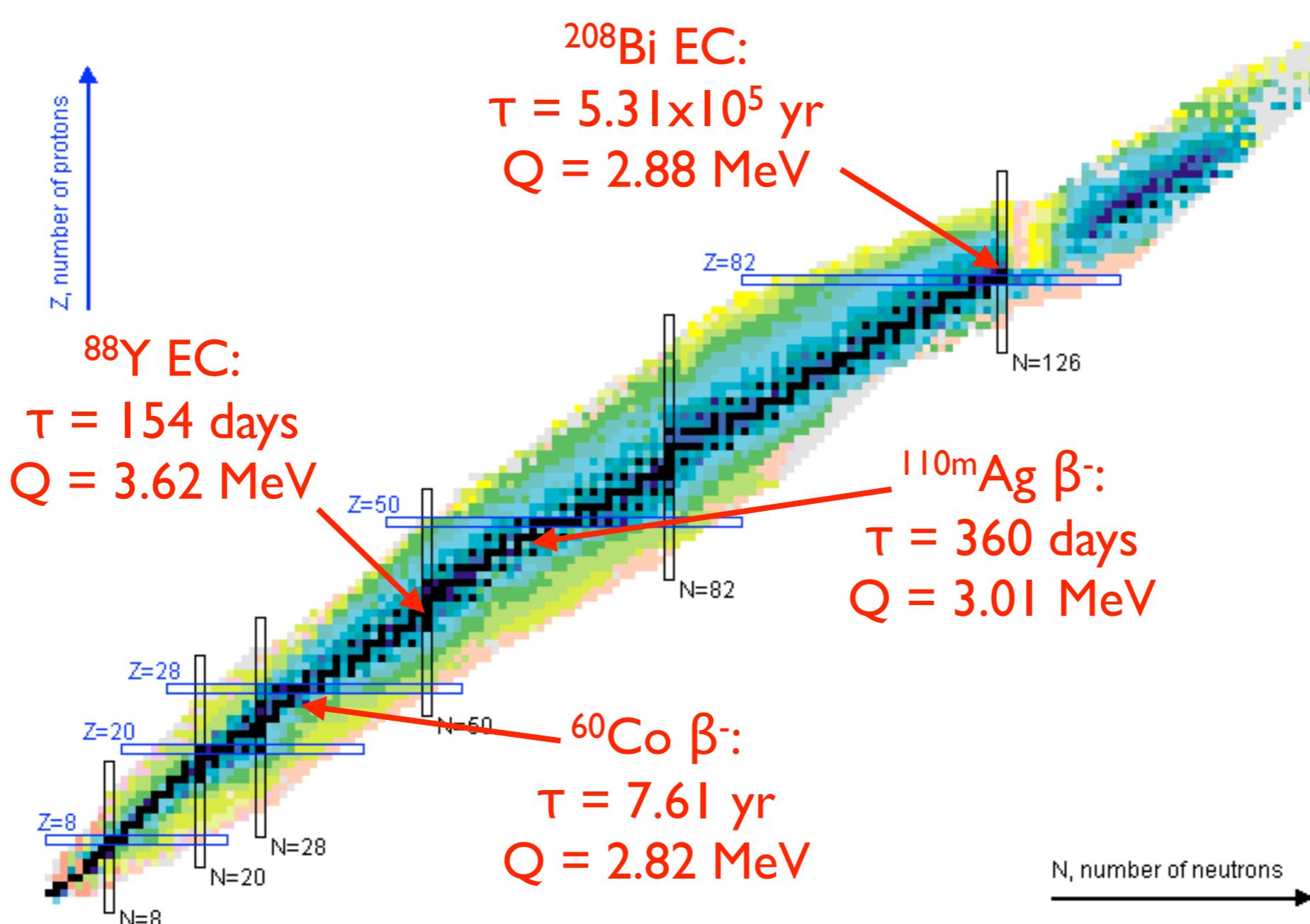
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Exhaustive search for 0v2 β -like signal

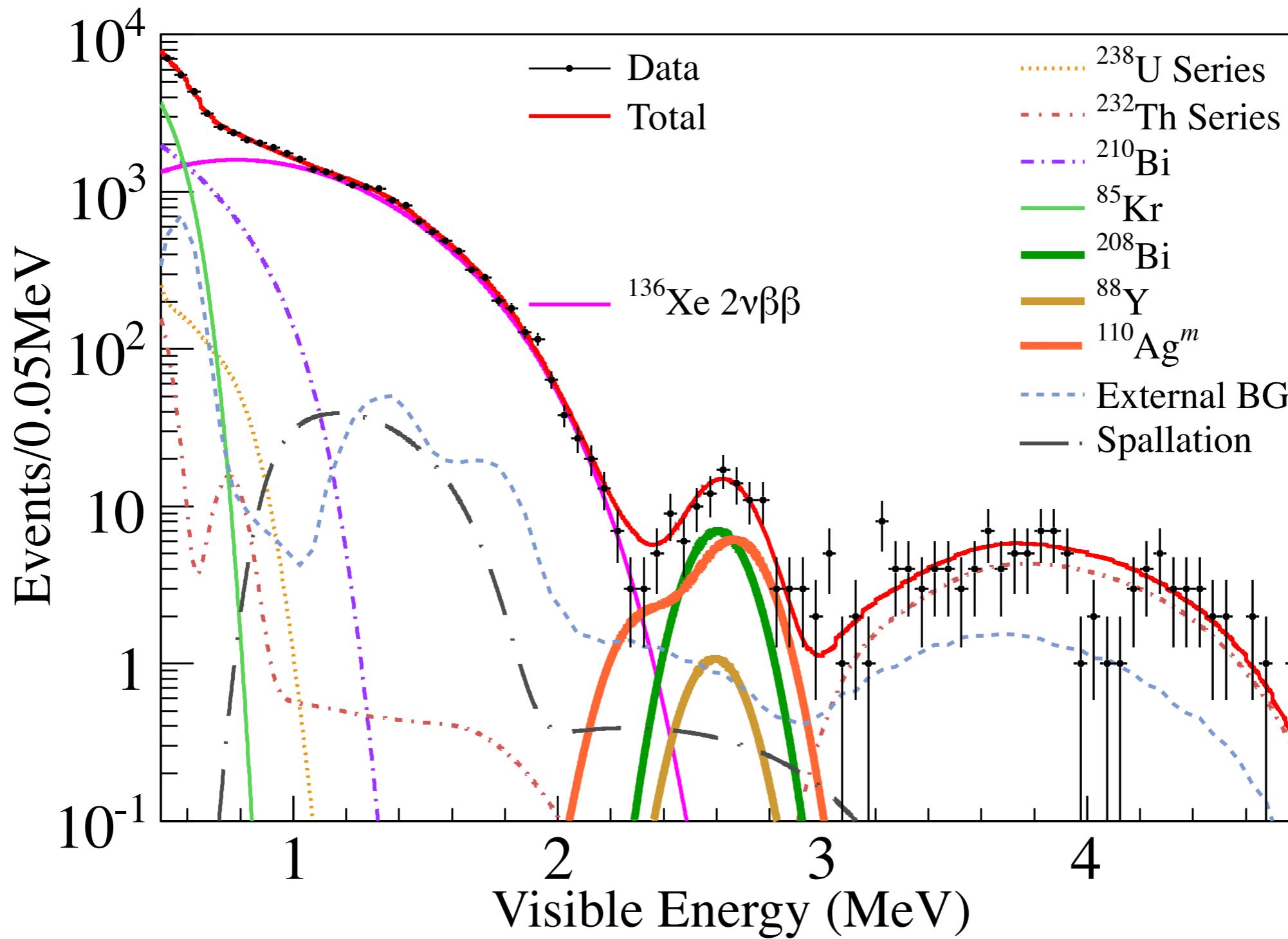
- Exhaustive search for unknown contamination
 - Spallation product
 - Fukushima fallout
- Spallation
 - ^{11}C : $1.11 \pm 0.28 \text{ ev/(ton-day)}$
 - ^{10}C : $0.0211 \pm 0.0044 \text{ ev/(ton-day)}$
 - Spallation neutron yield $13\pm6\%$ higher (absorb in yield systematics)
 - n capture on H, C; no evidence of n capture on Xe
 - No evidence of muon followers with $\tau < 100\text{s}$

Results from the ENSDF search

- Search through *thousands* of isotopes in ENSDF and *millions* of decay paths that can give a peak between 2.4MeV and 2.8MeV
 - Account for all particle-dependent energy non-linearities
 - Require $\tau > 30$ days, or $100s < \tau < 30$ days if production cross section is fairly large

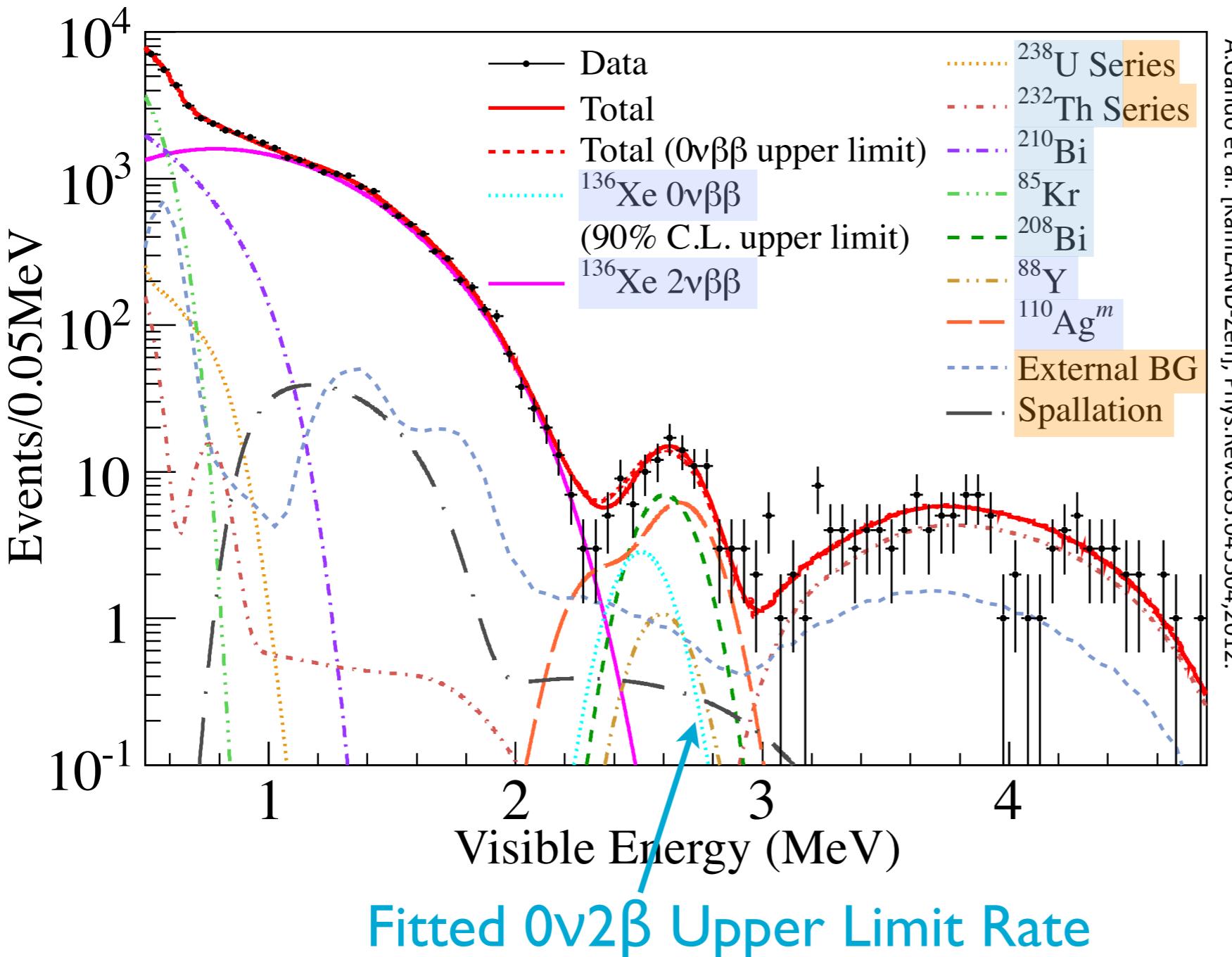


Fit of Backgrounds to Peak



Full Fit

Some fit parameters are free, others constrained



free parameter
constrained

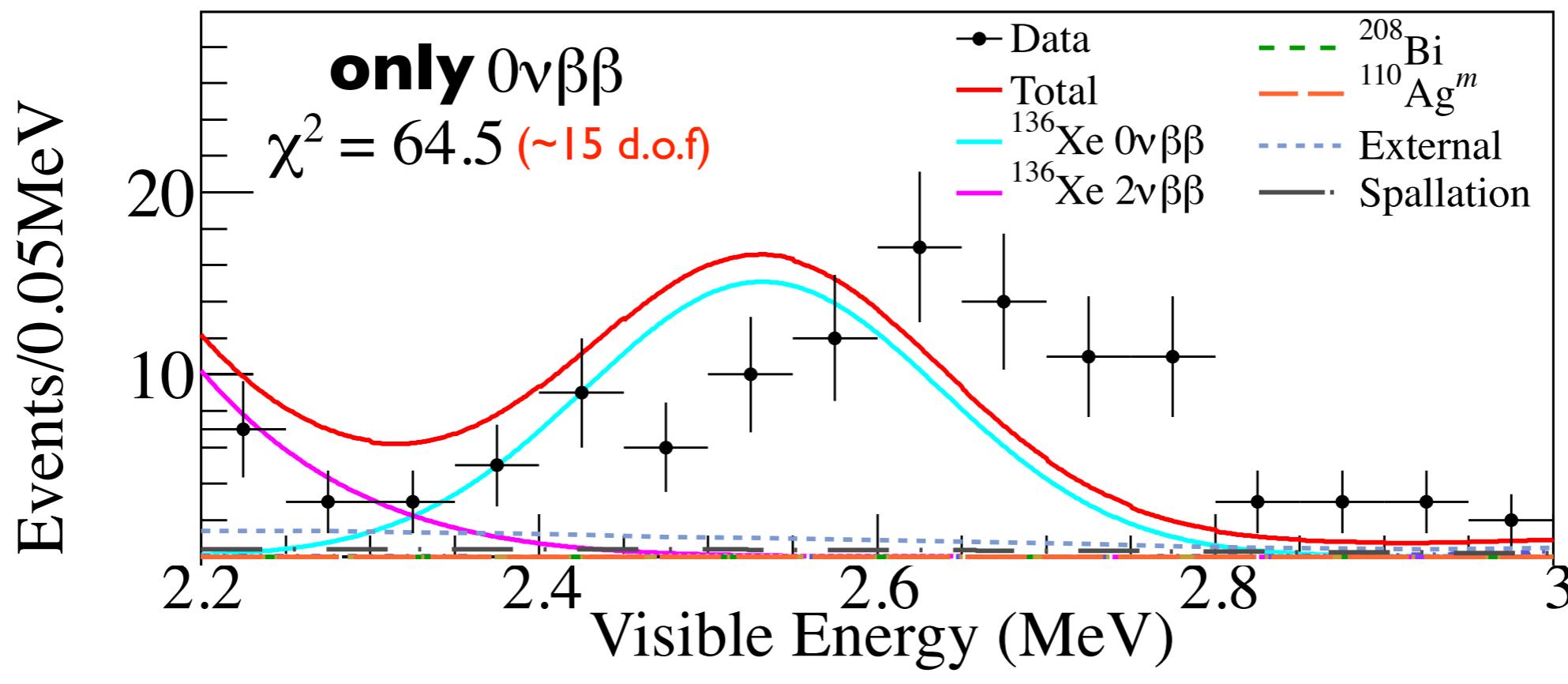
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$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 5.7 \times 10^{24} \text{ yr (90% C.L.)}$$

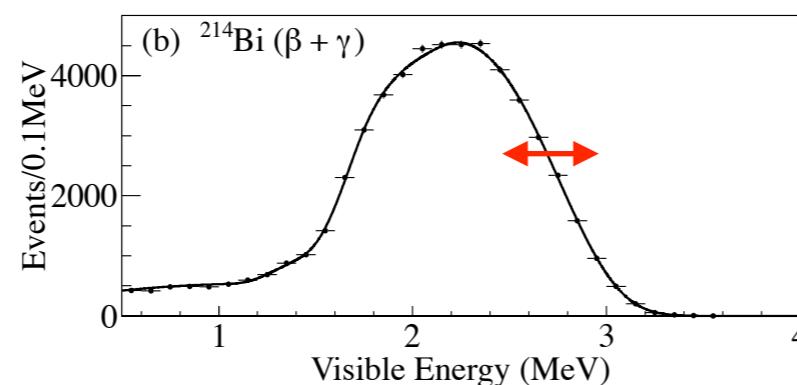
→ 5x better than previous limit

Linear Scale

Zoom-in and linear scale

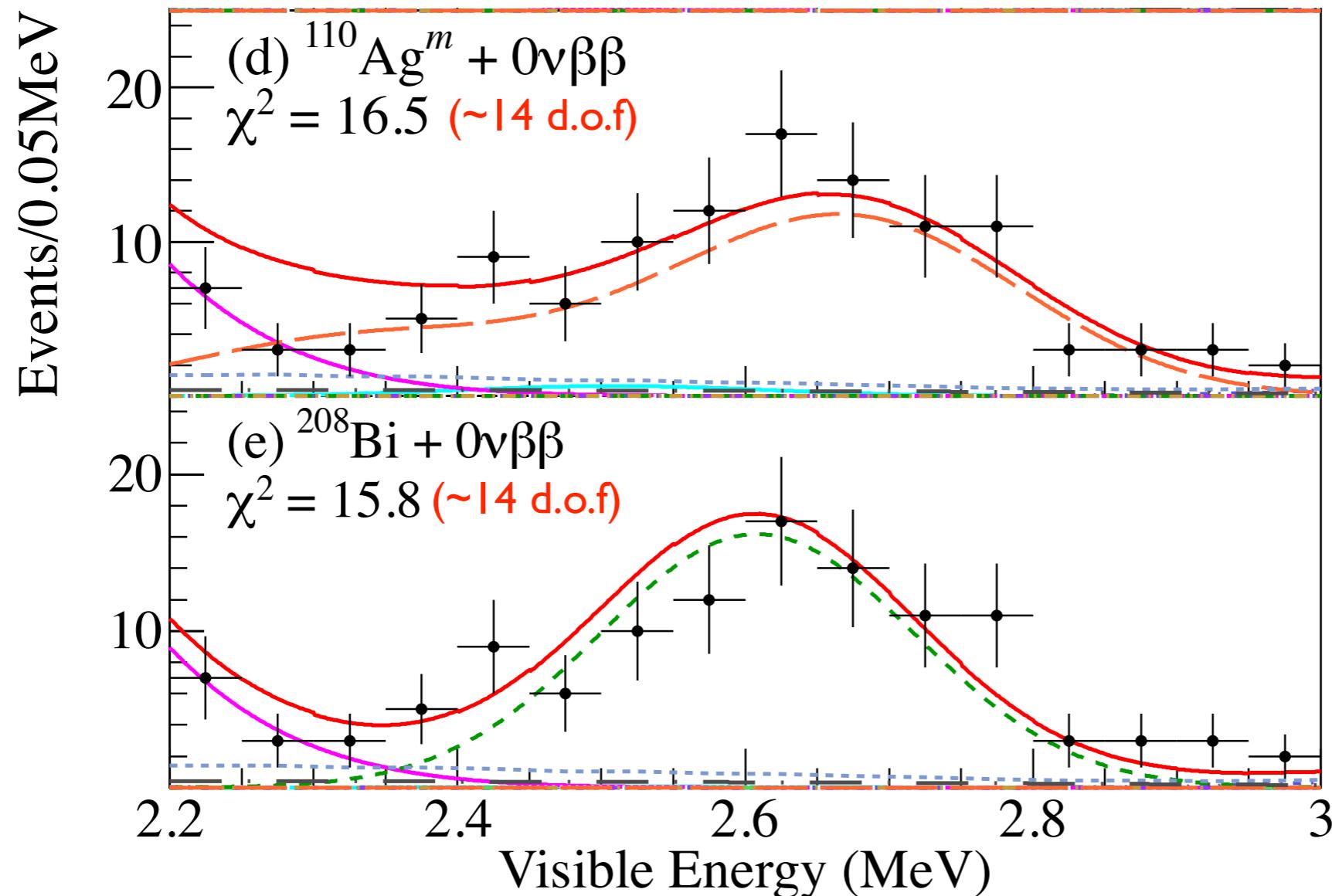


→ It's not $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay ($>5\sigma$)



Energy scale is tightly constrained

Alternative Hypotheses



→ Little further discriminating power

Is the background from Fukushima?

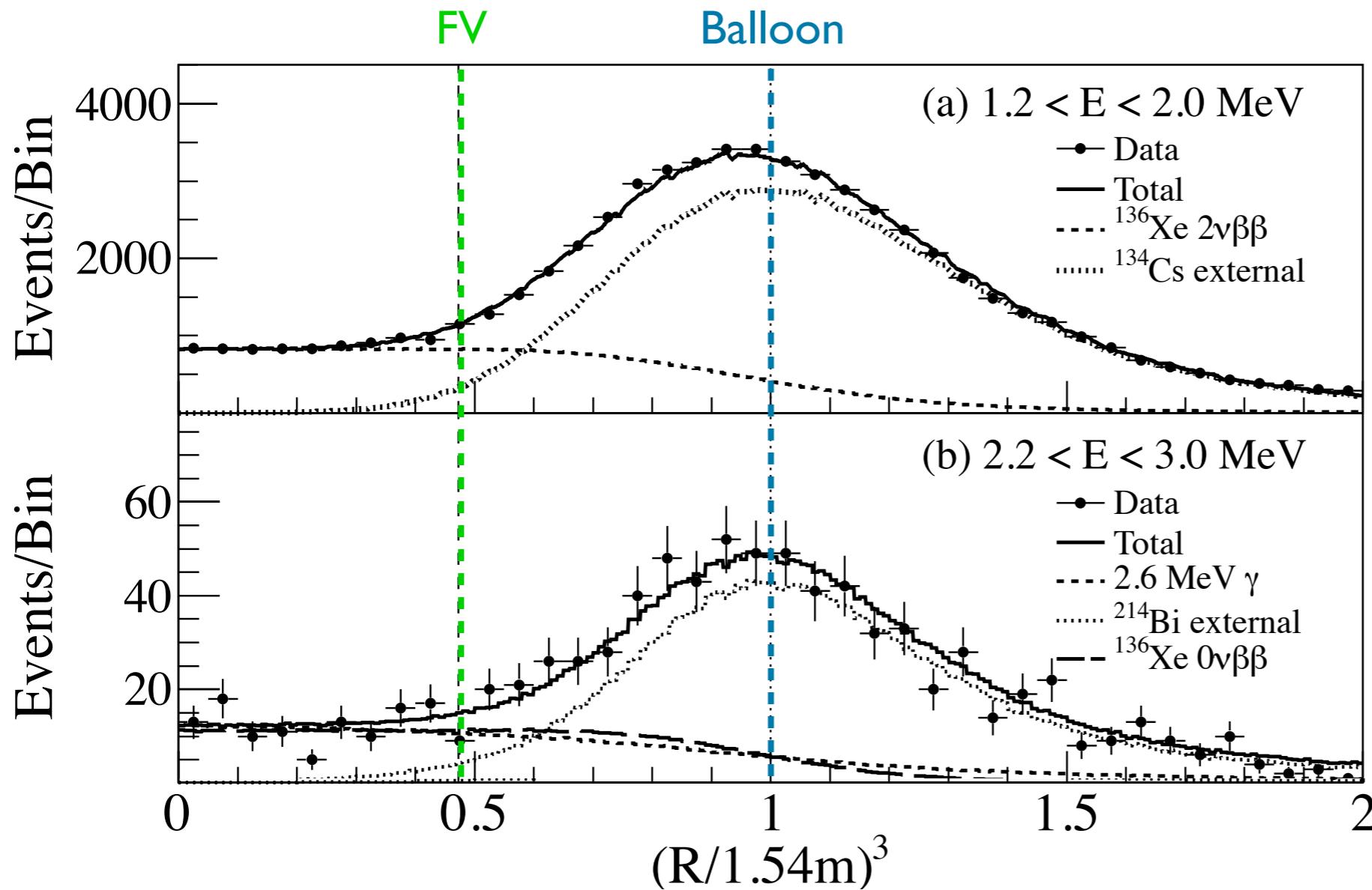
Isotopes found near Fukushima

Isotopes	Found in KL-Zen?
^{134}Cs , ^{137}Cs , $^{110}\text{Ag}^m$	Yes
$^{129}\text{Te}^m$, ^{95}Nb , ^{90}Y , ^{89}Sr	Negligible

- Is the background from Fukushima?
- $^{110}\text{Ag}^m$ was found in soil samples around Sendai
- Both ^{134}Cs and ^{137}Cs reconstructed on miniballoon
 - Ratio $^{134}\text{Cs} / ^{137}\text{Cs} \sim 0.8$, consistent with Fukushima fallout
→ Plausible that the background comes from Fukushima

[However, we cannot exclude cosmic activation of Xe → little known]

Balloon and Xe-LS Backgrounds



$2\nu\beta\beta$ window

LS: $2\nu\beta\beta$

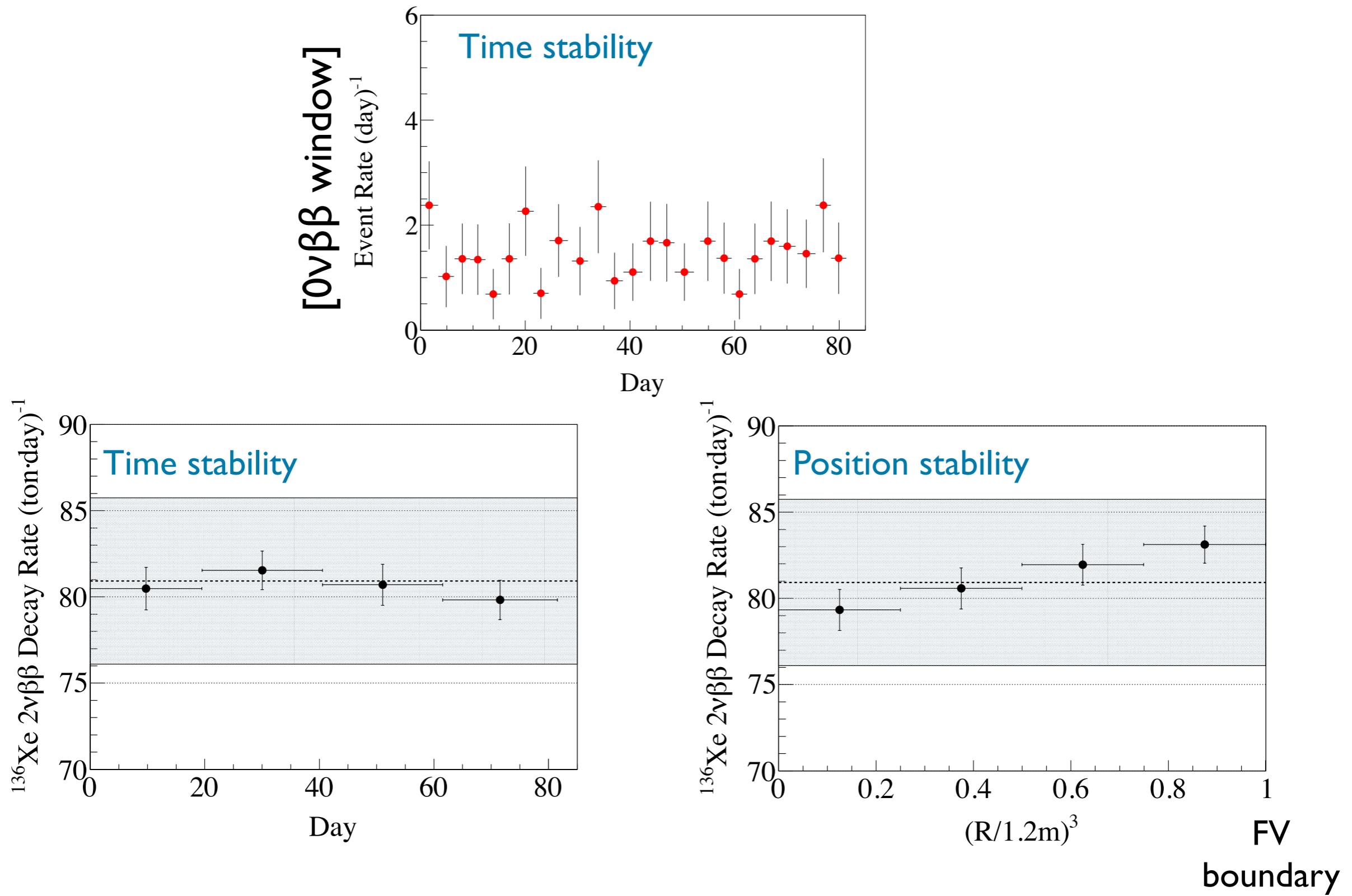
Balloon: $^{134}\text{Cs}, ^{137}\text{Cs}$

$0\nu\beta\beta$ window

LS: "something"

Balloon: ^{214}Bi

Stability of the events



Options to Explore $0\nu\beta\beta$ Peak

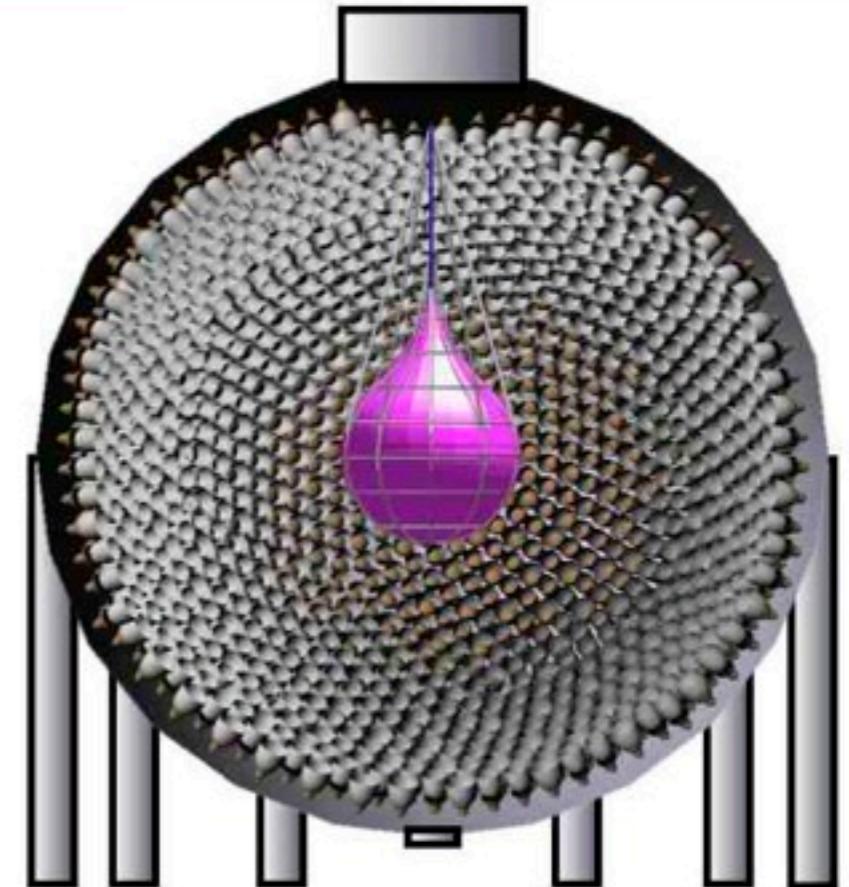
- ~~^{110m}Ag : $\tau = 360\text{d}$; ^{88}Y : $\tau = 154\text{ d}$~~
~~→ Wait to see if a decay time emerges~~ Not practical
- Purify the scintillator
- ~~Filtration~~ No change with 50-nm PTFE filter, 2.3 volume exchanges
- Destillation
- Run without ^{136}Xe

Distillation

- Remove Xe-LS and replace with fresh “dummy” LS
- Distill & purify Xe while running with “dummy” LS
- Fill miniballoon with new, cleaner Xe-LS
- Deploy calibration sources inside miniballoon

Longer Term Future: KamLAND2-Zen

- 2nd Phase of KamLAND-Zen (~2016)
 - 1 ton of ^{136}Xe
 - Enhanced Xe-LS
 - Winston cone reflectors to increase PMT coverage from 24% → ~70%
- May be able to cover inverted hierarchy



For 17"PMT



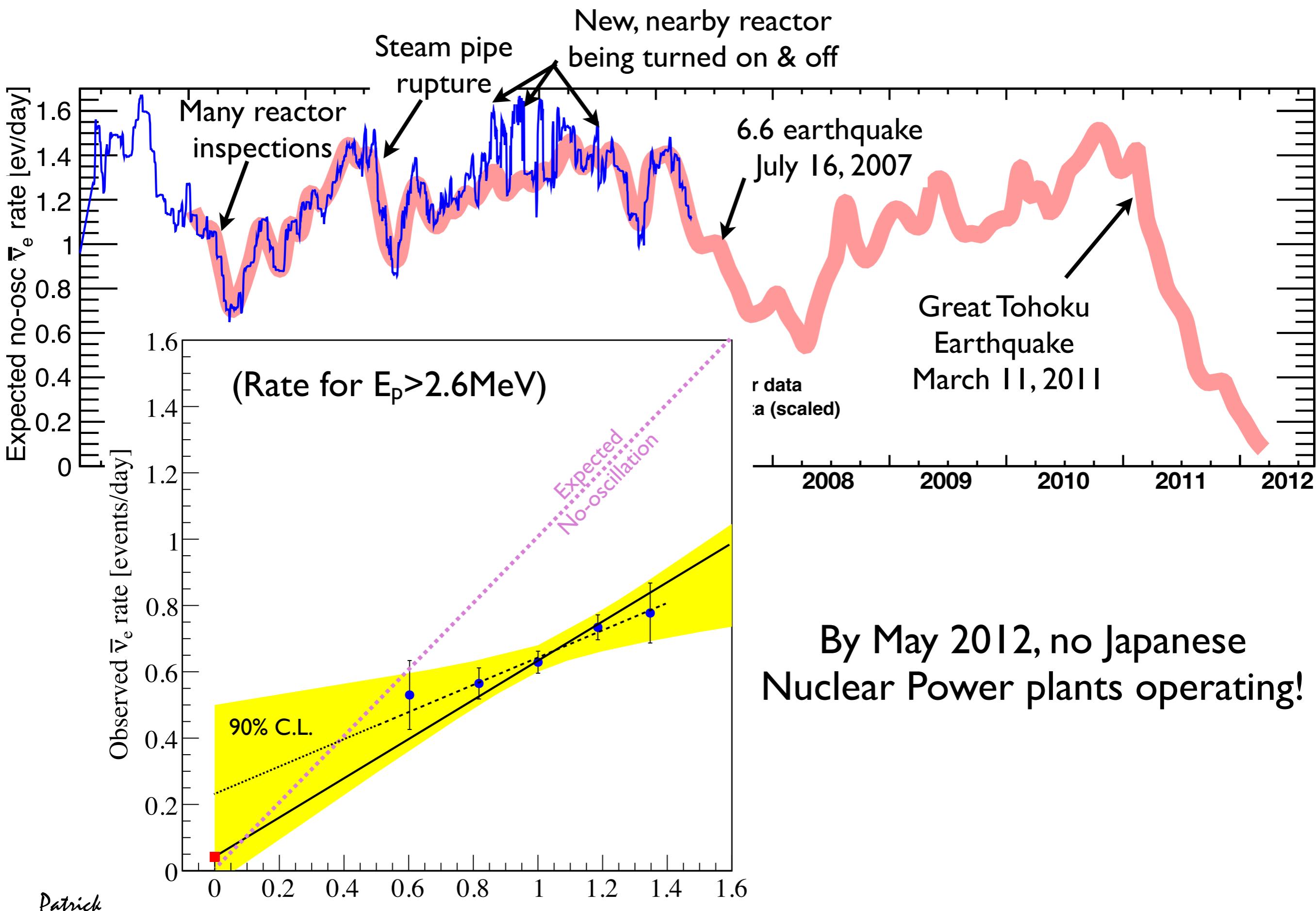
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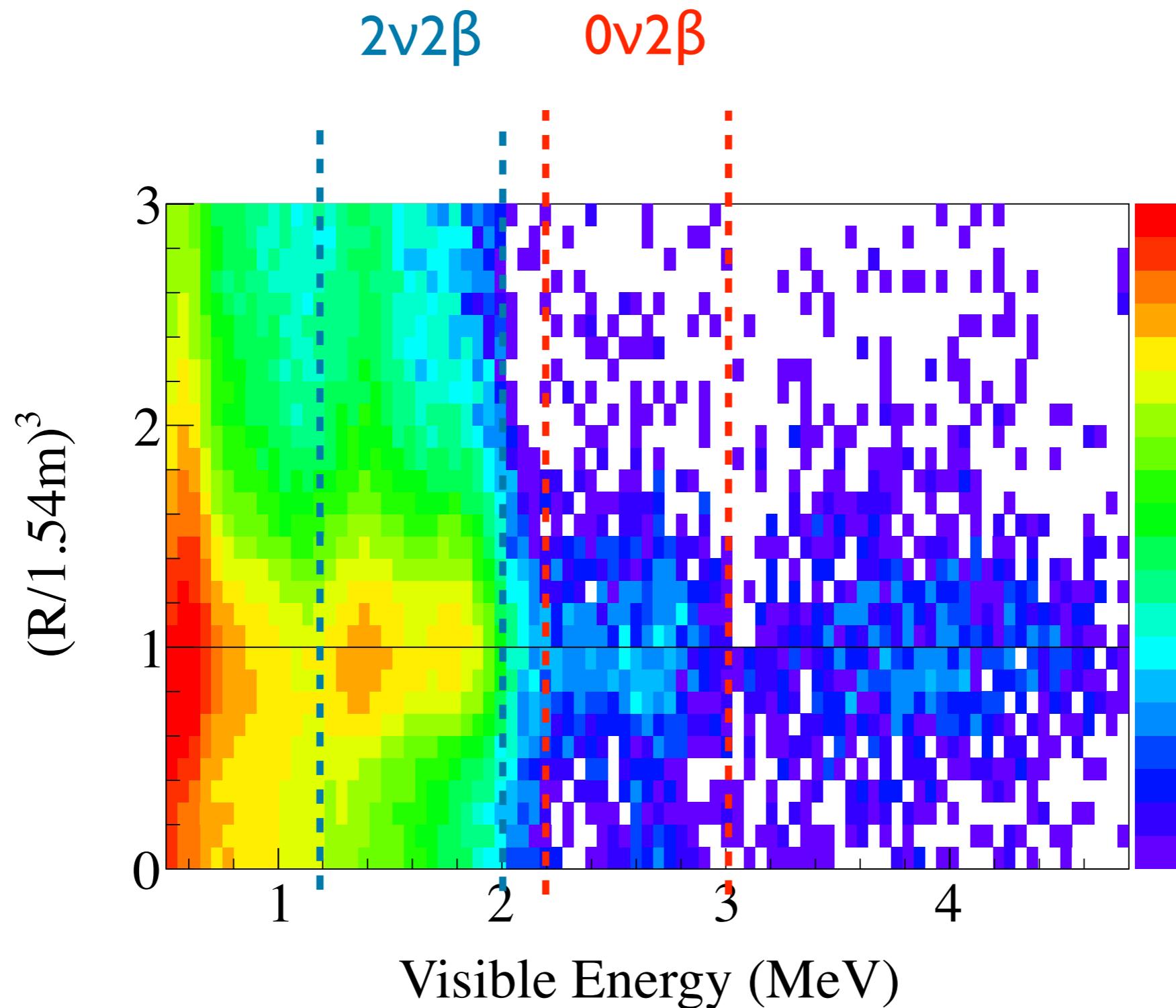


- KamLAND-Zen released first data based on 77.6 days of exposure 129kg of ^{136}Xe (380kg total)
- $2\nu 2\beta$: $T_{1/2}^{2\nu} = [2.38 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.14 \text{ (syst)}] \times 10^{21} \text{ yr}$
 - Confirms EXO-200 measurement
- $0\nu 2\beta$: 5x better limit $\rightarrow T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 5.7 \times 10^{24} \text{ yr (90\% C.L.)}$
- We will purify the detector to remove contaminants
- Plans to upgrade the detector for more light collection and 1 ton ^{136}Xe .
- Reactor and geo-neutrino measurements ongoing...

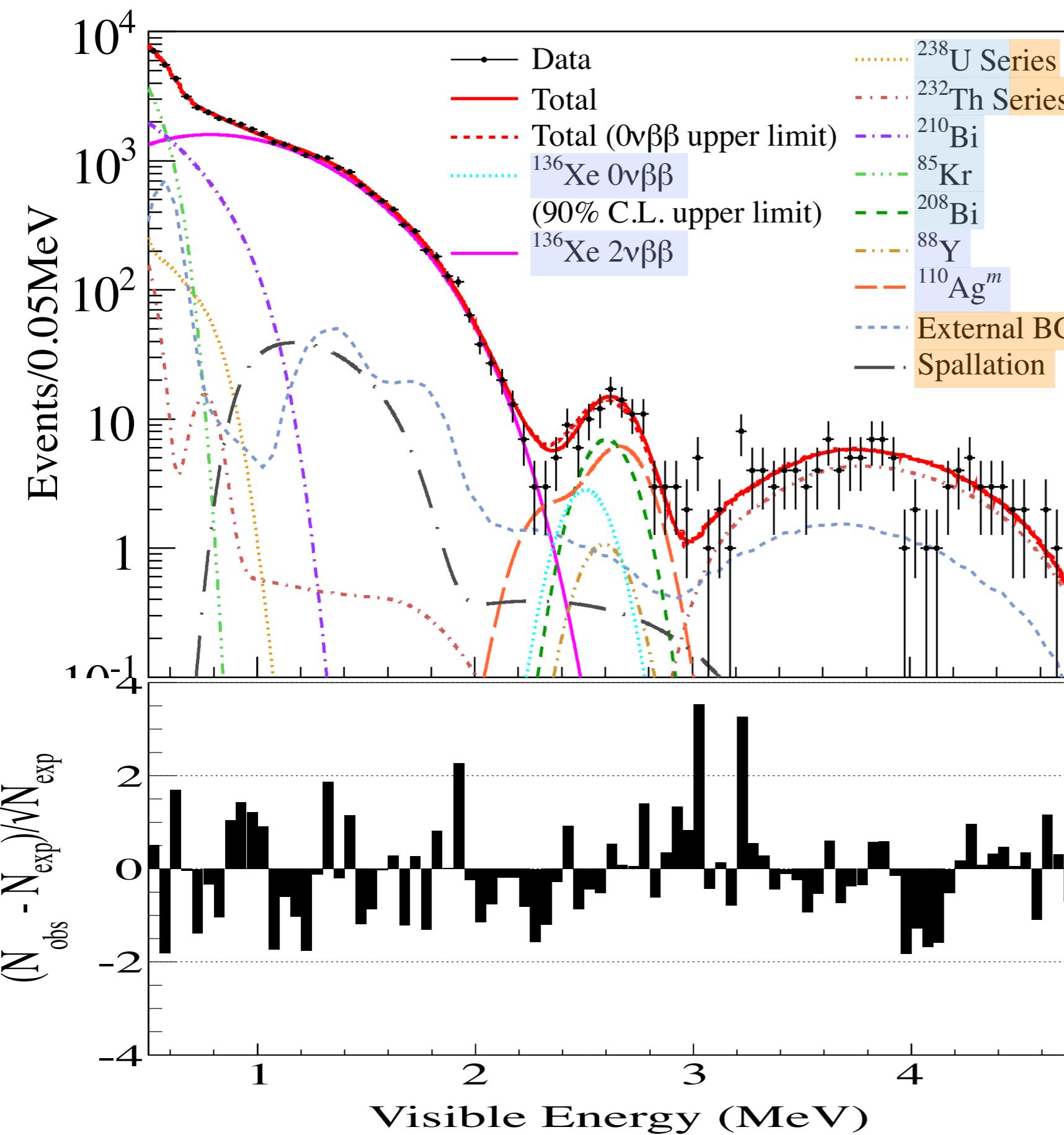
Reactor Signal Changes with Time



Spectrum at different radii



Residuals



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