



# $\beta\beta 0\nu$ Decay Searches: Current Status and Prospects

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# Yet Unknown in neutrinos

- one or **three** CP phases
- **mass** (absolute value and hierarchy)
- **Majorana ? Dirac ?**
- # of generations

measurable with oscillation

$$U_{PMNS} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_{21}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_{31}} \end{pmatrix}$$

oscillation  $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$

neutrinoless double beta  $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = |\sum m_i |U_{ei}|^2 \epsilon_i|$

cosmology  $M = \sum m_i$

single beta  $\langle m_{\beta} \rangle^2 = \sum m_i^2 |U_{ei}|^2$

**indispensable**

**double beta**  
 realistic test of Majorana nature  
 sensitive to absolute mass  
 opens Majorana CP measurement

# Dirac vs. Majorana

Discovery of neutrino mass requires right-handed composition.

<b>e</b>	LH electron ( $e^-_L$ )	RH electron ( $e^-_R$ )
	LH positron ( $e^+_L$ )	RH positron ( $e^+_R$ )

Matter particle (Fermion) has at least 4 components.

It is naturally derived from quantum mechanics and special relativity (Dirac equation).

<b><math>\nu</math></b>	LH $\nu_L$	RH $\nu_R (N_R)$ not discovered
	LH $\bar{\nu}_L (\bar{N}_L)$ not discovered	RH $\bar{\nu}_R$

## Dirac neutrino



$$\nu_L \quad \underbrace{\nu_R \quad \bar{\nu}_L}_{\text{unobservable}} \quad \bar{\nu}_R$$

$$\nu \neq \bar{\nu}$$

## Majorana neutrino (1937)

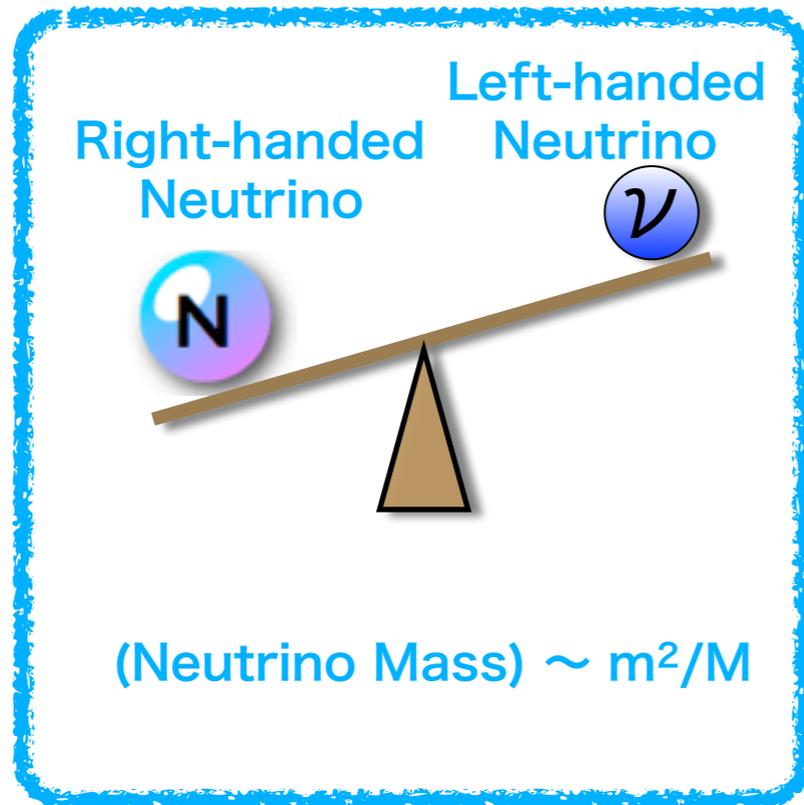


$$\nu_L \quad \bar{\nu}_R \quad \underbrace{\bar{N}_L \quad N_R}_{\text{just heavy}}$$

$$\nu = \bar{\nu}$$

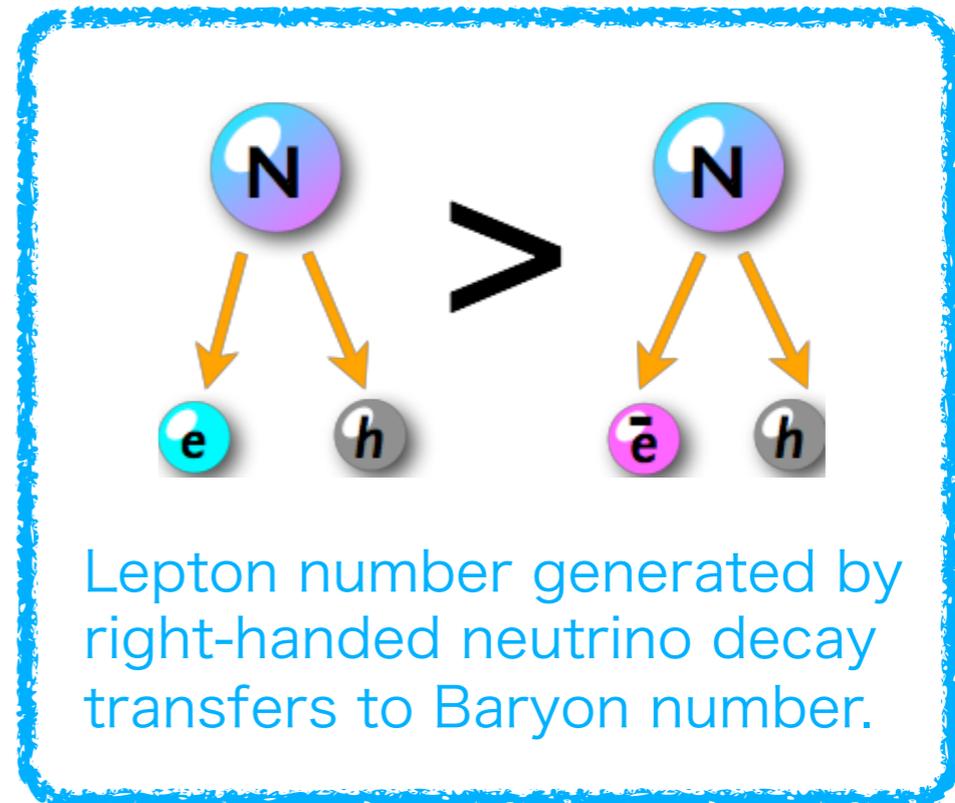
Majorana neutrino violates Lepton #.

# Seesaw Mechanism and Light neutrino mass



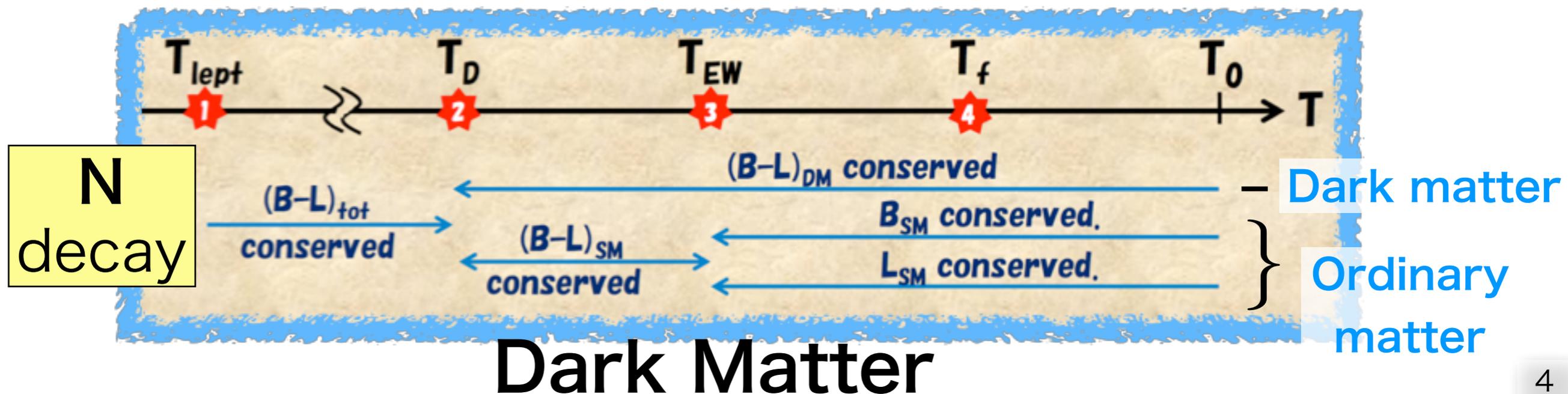
Light neutrino mass

# Matter dominance through Leptogenesis



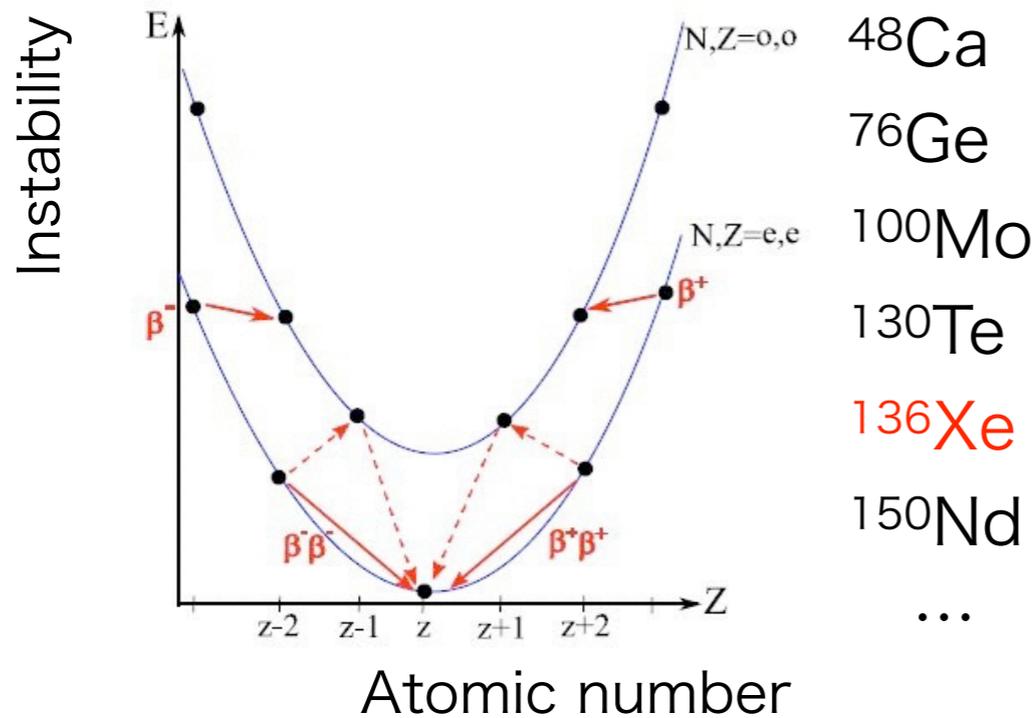
Matter dominance

# Asymmetric Dark Matter (Dark Matter through Leptogenesis)



# Search for $0\nu 2\beta$ is so far the only way to confirm Majorana nature

Several tens of nuclei undergo "Double Beta Decay".



## theoretical history

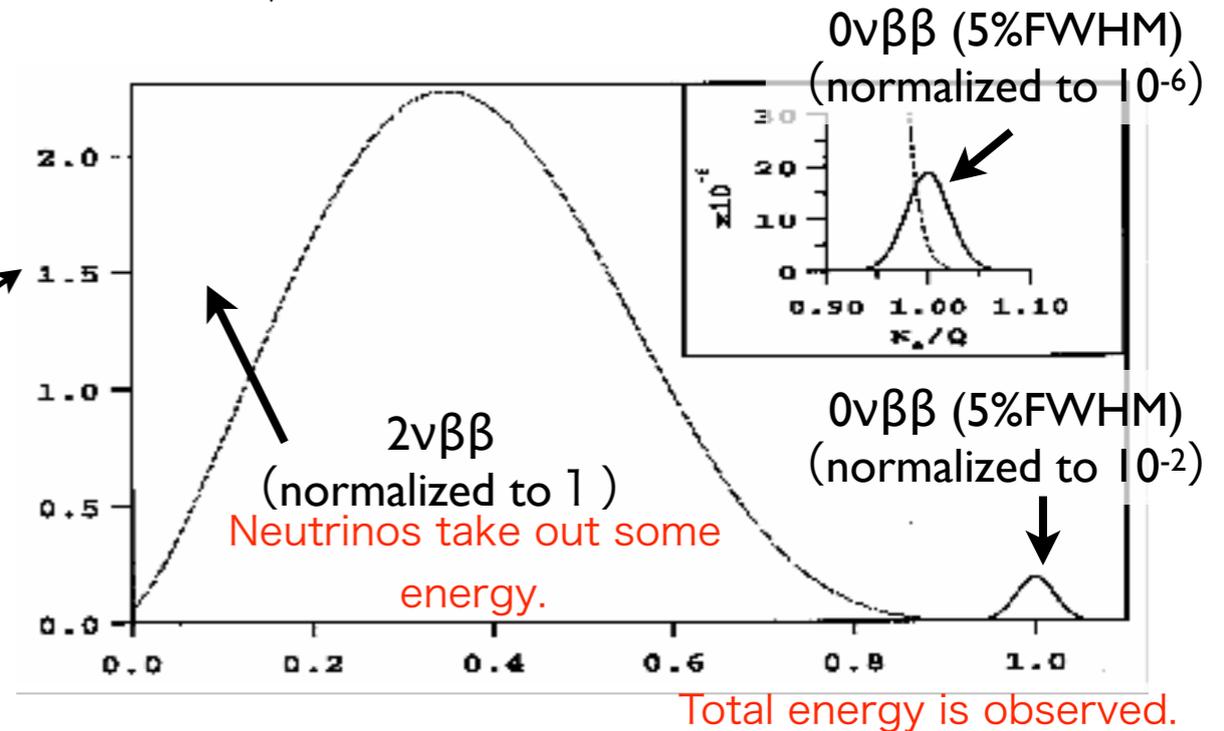
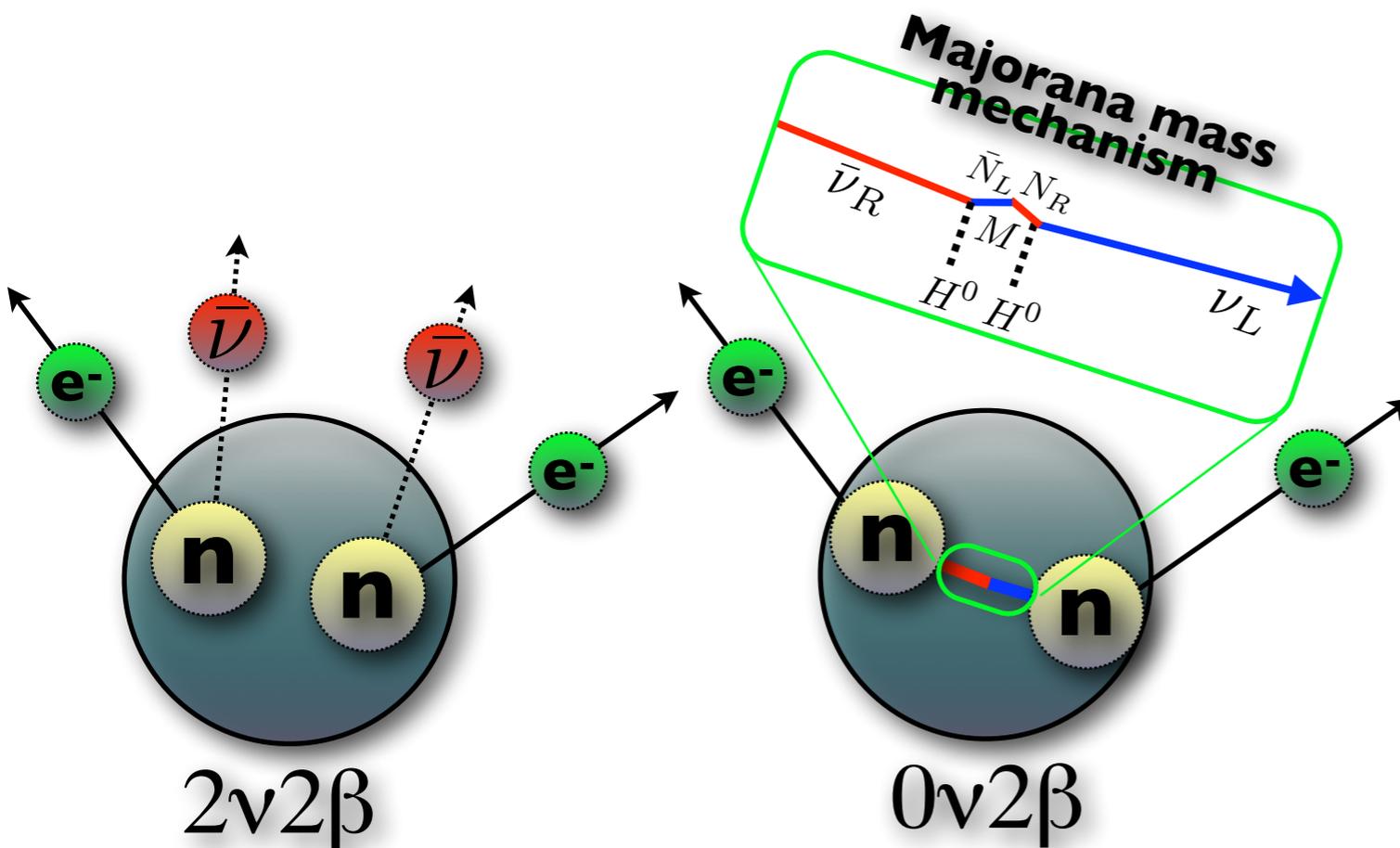
- 1930 light neutral particle (W.Pauli) W.Furry
- 1933  $\beta$  decay theory (E.Fermi)
- 1935  $2\nu 2\beta$  (M.Goeppert-Mayer)
- 1937 Majorana neutrino (E.Majorana)
- 1939  $0\nu 2\beta$  (W.Furry)



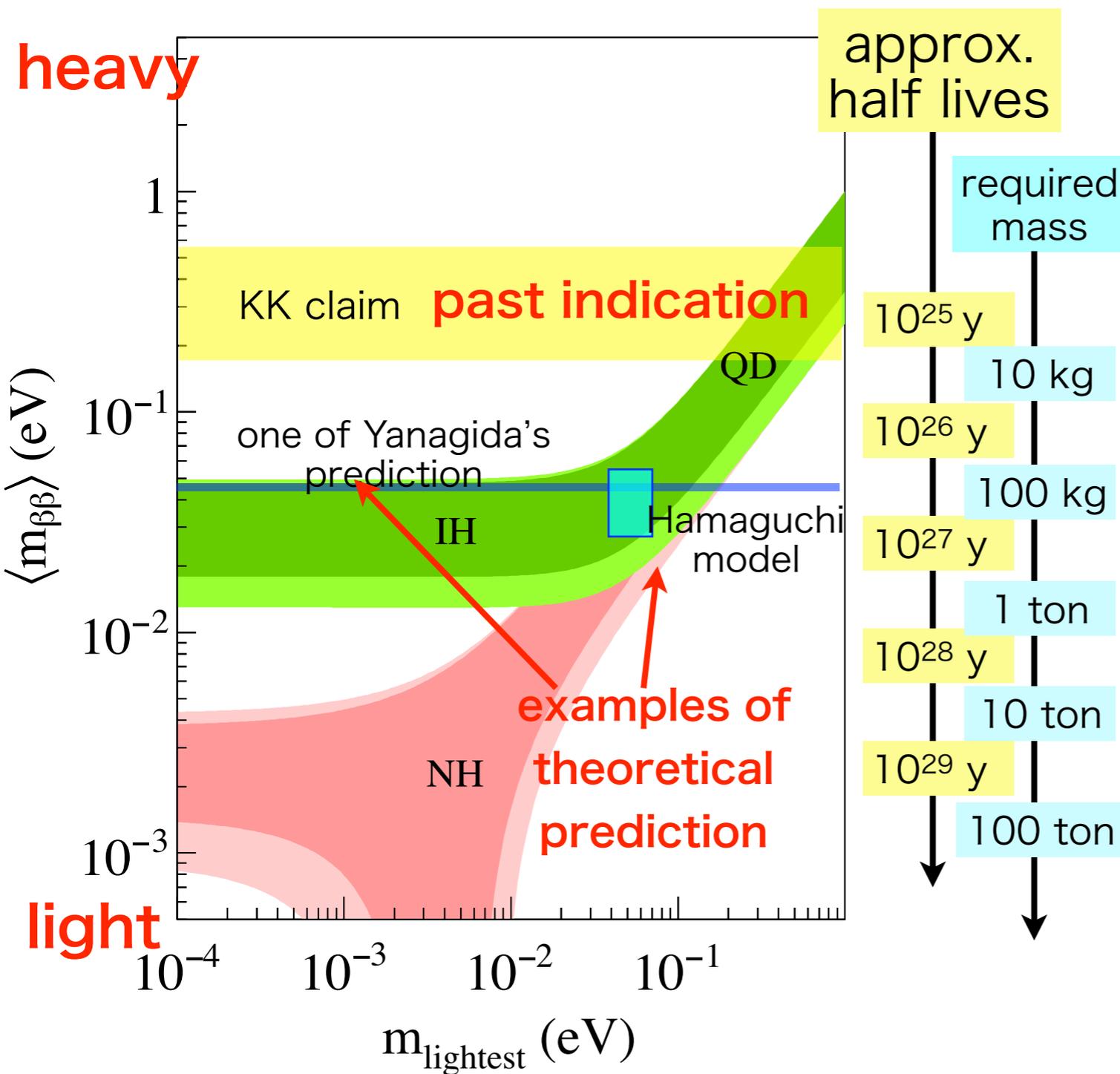
Majorana CP  
only accessible by  $0\nu 2\beta$

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \left| \sum m_i |U_{ei}|^2 \varepsilon_i \right|$$

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}} = G_{0\nu} |M_{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2$$



# Milestones of $0\nu 2\beta$ search



✓ KK claim is refuted

KamLAND-Zen, EXO-200, GERDA

What's next?

✓ covering QD hierarchy

KamLAND-Zen has almost achieved.

- Yanagida's prediction

$47 \pm 1$  meV PRD86,013002(2012)

- Hamaguchi model

24-55 meV ( $1\sigma$ ) arXiv:1705.00419

- covering IH

$\sim 20$  meV next generation

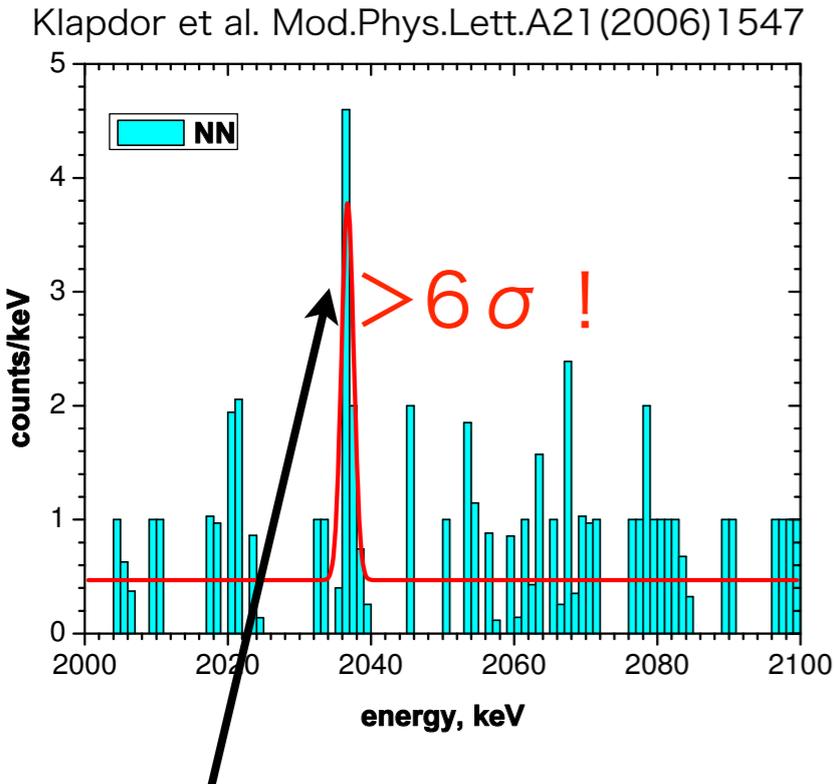
- covering NH

$< 1$  meV very difficult

# past big argument in $0\nu 2\beta$ search

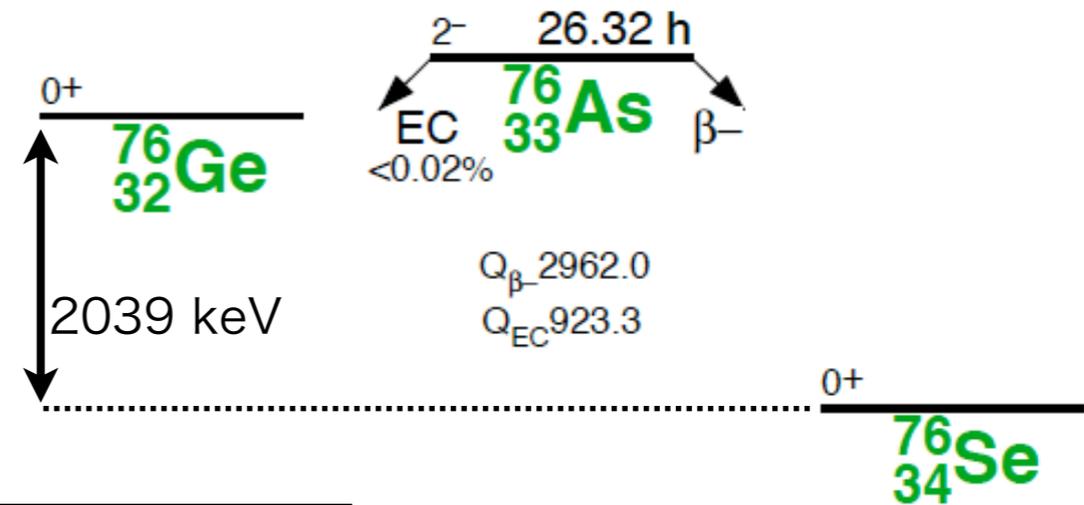
**KK claim**

Part of Heidelberg  
Moscow experiment



11 kg  $^{76}\text{Ge}$

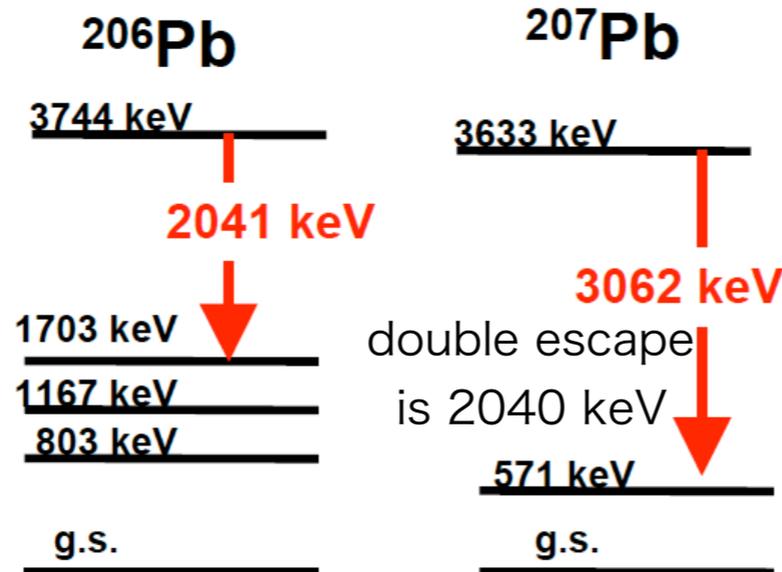
exposure 71 kg·year  
 $T_{1/2} = 2.23^{+0.44}_{-0.31} \times 10^{25}$  years  
 $m_\nu = 320 \pm 30$  meV  
 NME uncertainty not included



Evidence of  $0\nu 2\beta$  ?

Statistical significance is high but there are many **BGs candidates**, and not very convincing

BG candidates



**Lesson:**  
 “High resolution only”  
 may suffer from  
 unknown lines.

# Isotopes for double beta decay (Q-value > 2MeV)

- No perfect isotope for double beta decay

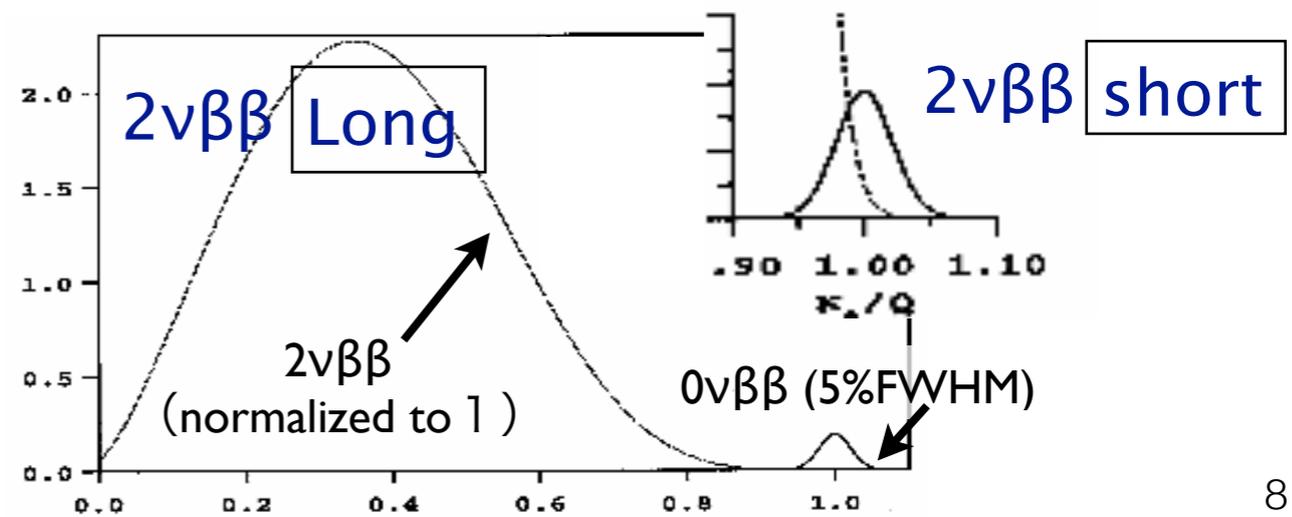
Isotopes	Q-value (keV)	N.A. (%)	$T_{1/2}^{2\nu}$ (year) measurement PDG2015, no error included	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$ (50 meV) calculation PRC 79, 055501 (2009), (R)QRPA (CCM SRC)	Pros & Cons
$^{48}\text{Ca}$	<b>4273.6 ± 4</b>	<u>0.19</u>	$4.4 \times 10^{19}$	-	Q-value <b>highest</b> , N.A. <b>small</b> , enrichment <b>difficult</b> 2v <b>long</b> , enrichment <b>~90%</b> enrichment <b>&gt;90%</b>
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	2039.006 ± 0.050	7.6	<u><math>1.84 \times 10^{21}</math></u>	$(2.99-7.95) \times 10^{26}$	
$^{82}\text{Se}$	2995.50 ± 1.87	8.7	$9.6 \times 10^{19}$	$(0.85-2.38) \times 10^{26}$	2v <b>short</b> , enrichment <b>&gt;90%</b>
$^{96}\text{Zr}$	<u><math>3347.7 \pm 2.2</math></u>	2.8	$2.35 \times 10^{19}$	$(3.16-6.94) \times 10^{26}$	
$^{100}\text{Mo}$	<u><math>3034.40 \pm 0.17</math></u>	9.4	<u><math>7.11 \times 10^{18}</math></u>	$(0.59-2.15) \times 10^{26}$	enrichment <b>80~90%</b>
$^{110}\text{Pd}$	2017.85 ± 0.64	7.5	-	-	
$^{116}\text{Cd}$	2813.50 ± 0.13	7.5	$2.8 \times 10^{19}$	$(0.98-3.17) \times 10^{26}$	N.A. <b>high</b>
$^{124}\text{Sn}$	2287.80 ± 1.52	5.8	-	-	
$^{130}\text{Te}$	2527.01 ± 0.32	<b>34.1</b>	$7.0 \times 10^{20}$	$(7.42-2.21) \times 10^{26}$	2v <b>long</b> , enrichment <b>~90%</b>
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2457.83 ± 0.37	8.9	<b><math>2.165 \times 10^{21}</math></b>	$(1.68-7.17) \times 10^{26}$	
$^{150}\text{Nd}$	<u><math>3317.38 \pm 0.20</math></u>	5.7	<u><math>9.11 \times 10^{18}</math></u>	-	2v <b>short</b> , enrichment <b>difficult</b>

$2\nu\beta\beta \rightarrow$  Background of  $0\nu\beta\beta$

$$T^{0\nu} / T^{2\nu}$$

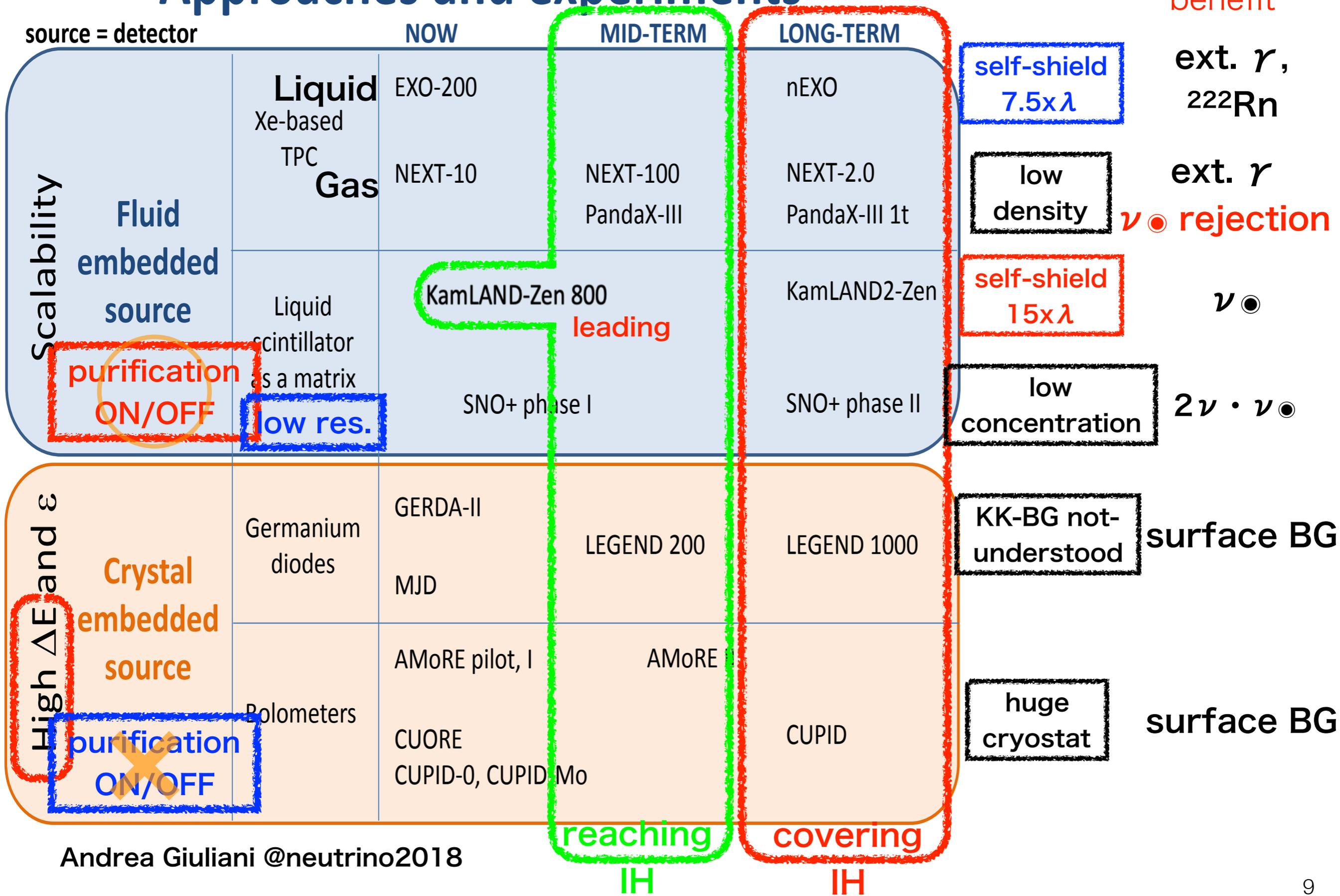
If ratio is big

$\rightarrow$  Energy resolution is important



# Approaches and experiments

source = detector



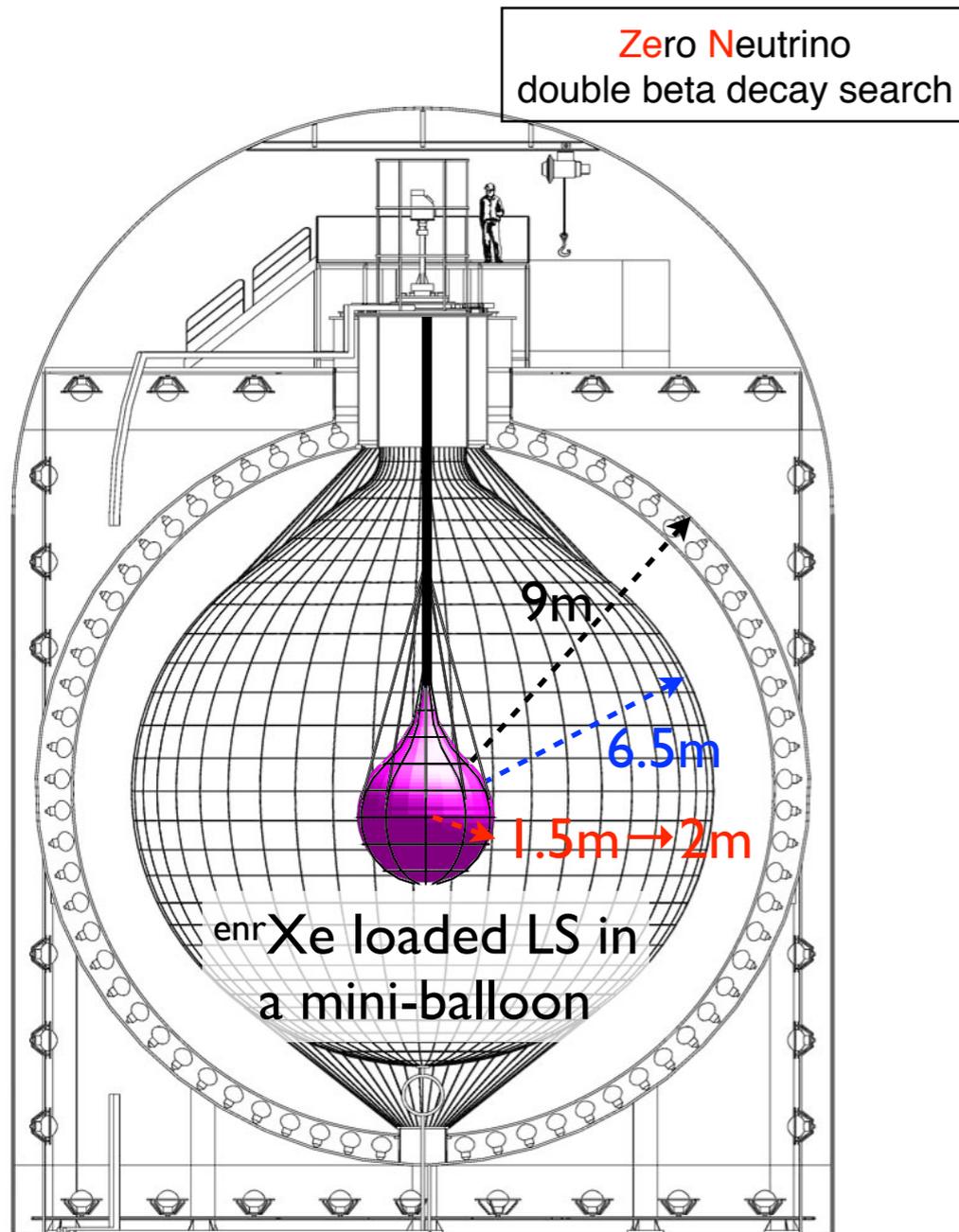
# Strategy

The discovery may be just around the corner.

- Keep the top runner with **high scalability**
- In case  $0\nu 2\beta$  is not found,
  - **Full coverage of inverted hierarchy is important**
    - if contradict with cosmology or neutrino oscillation → can say “Neutrino is Dirac”
    - if believing Majorana neutrino → can say “Normal hierarchy” by a process of elimination
  - **Be multi-purpose**
- In case  $0\nu 2\beta$  is discovered,
  - precision measurement
  - **various nuclei** → reduce error from NME, identify physics background **diverse technology**
  - **tracking measurement** → identify physics background **diverse technology**
  - combine with cosmology,  $\beta$  decay → identify physics, **possibility of Majorana CP measurement**

We chose  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  as it can be loaded in LS up to ~3 wt%.

# KamLAND-Zen



$^{136}\text{Xe}$

Noble gas

Centrifugal enrichment possible

$Q_{\beta\beta} = 2459 \text{ keV}$

(below  $^{208}\text{Tl}$  3198-5001 keV)

## Advantages of using KamLAND

- ① low cost and quick start  
(running detector)
- ① BG can be identified  
(full active thick shielding)
- ② In-situ purification possible  
(liquid media)
- ③ On/Off measurements possible  
(xenon is removable)
- ④ multi-purpose  
(geo-neutrino)
- ⑤ easily scalable  
(mini-balloon)

90% enriched  $^{136}\text{Xe}$

320kg for phase-I

380kg for phase-II

745kg for Zen 800 (started in January)

largest amount so far

# KamLAND(-Zen) collaboration

## Japan

Tohoku University, RCNS

University of Tokyo, Kavli IPMU

Osaka University

Tokushima University

Kyoto University

## US

University of California Berkeley

University of Tennessee

Triangle University Nuclear Laboratory

University of Washington

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

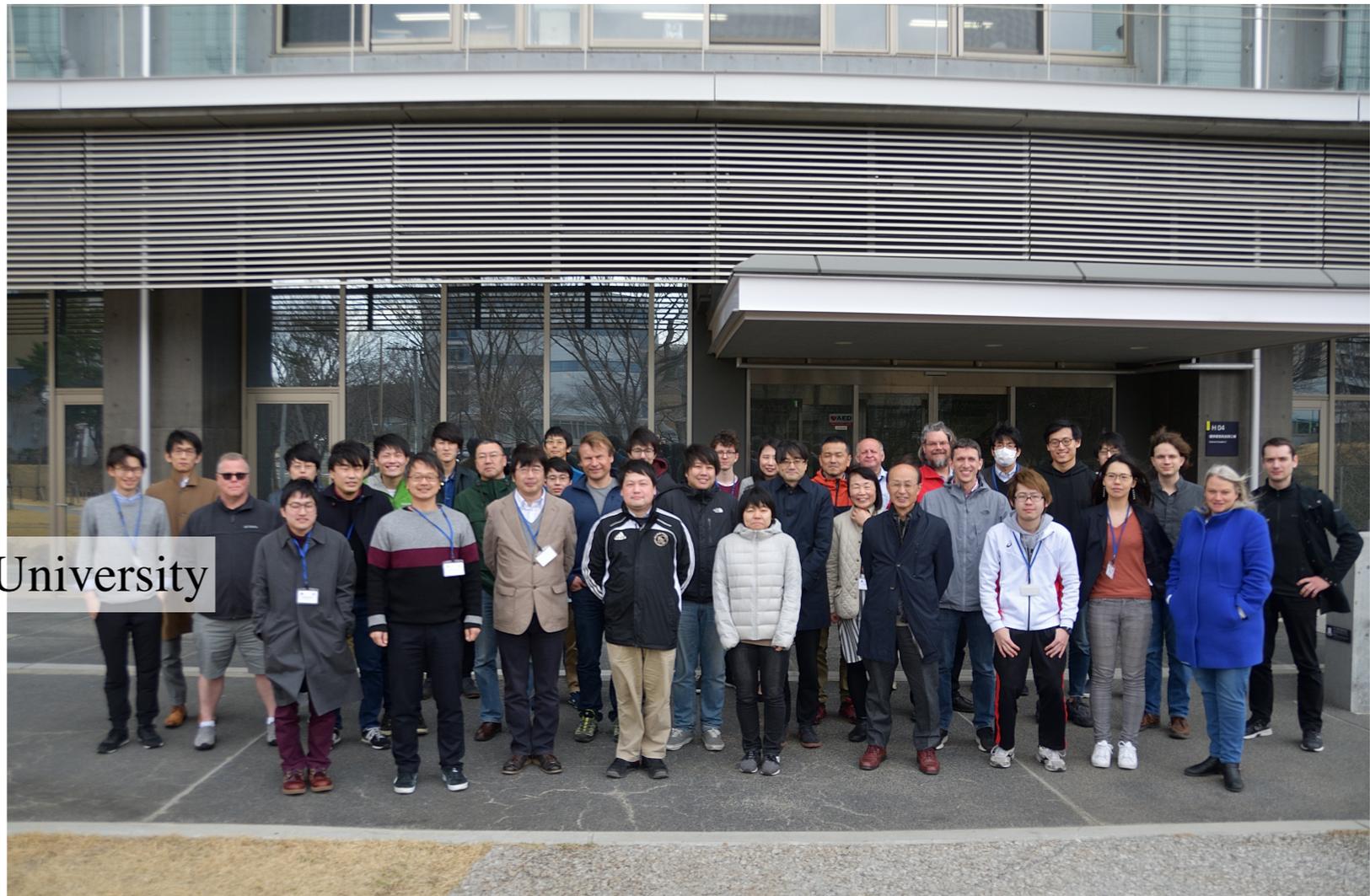
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

University of Hawaii

Boston University

## Netherland

Nikhef, University of Amsterdam



※ Second affiliation is not listed.

Collaboration meeting @Tohoku

~50 physicists

minimum inactive detector material  
basically  $25\ \mu\text{m-t}$  balloon film only

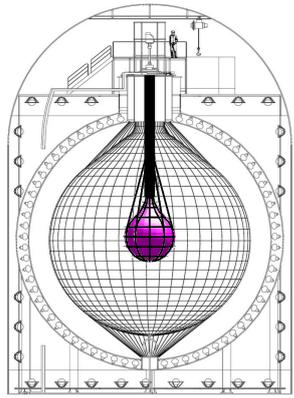


Initial funding in 2009 and picture in September 2011  
Everything has been done in two years!!

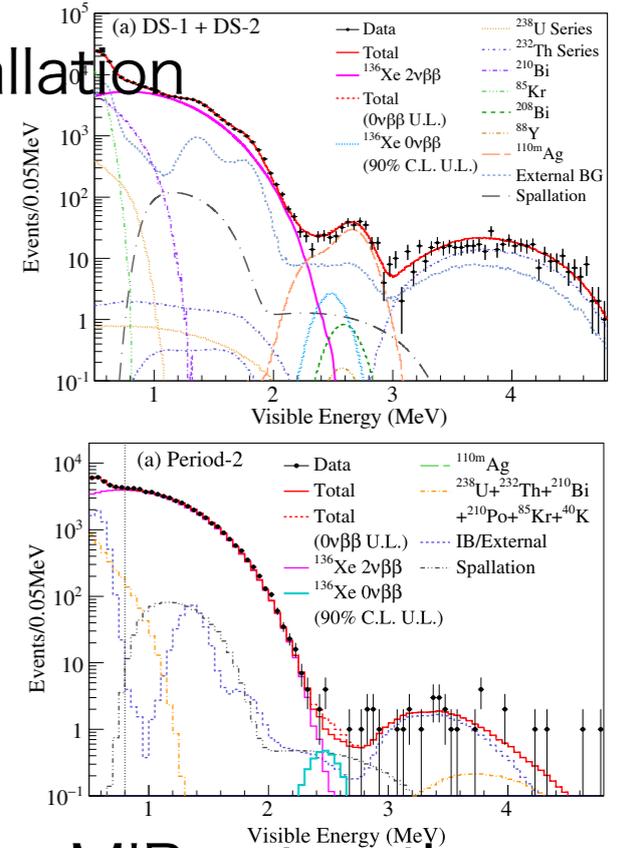
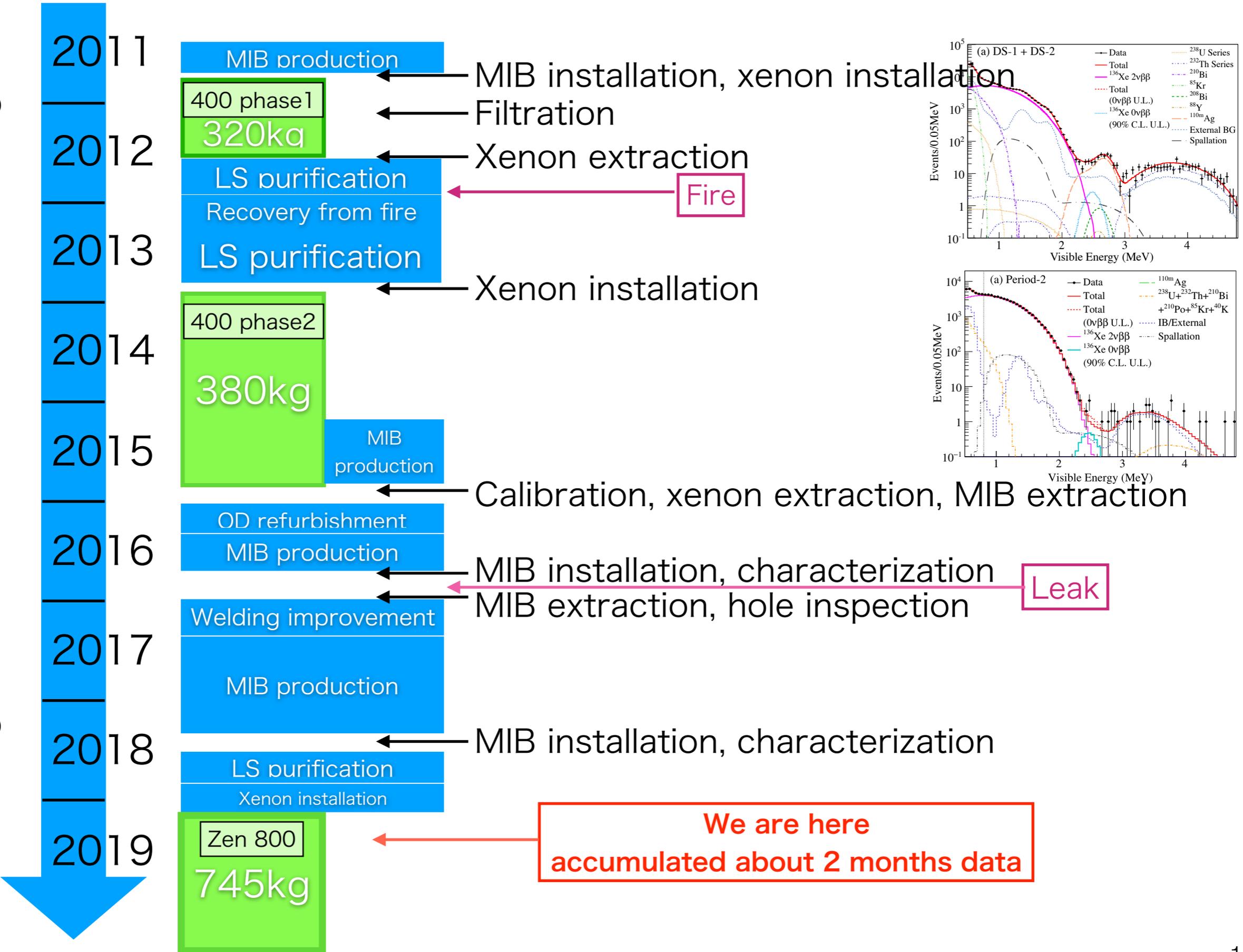
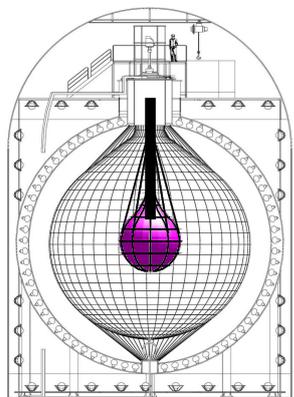
① low cost and quick start

# Timeline of KamLAND-Zen

KamLAND-Zen 400

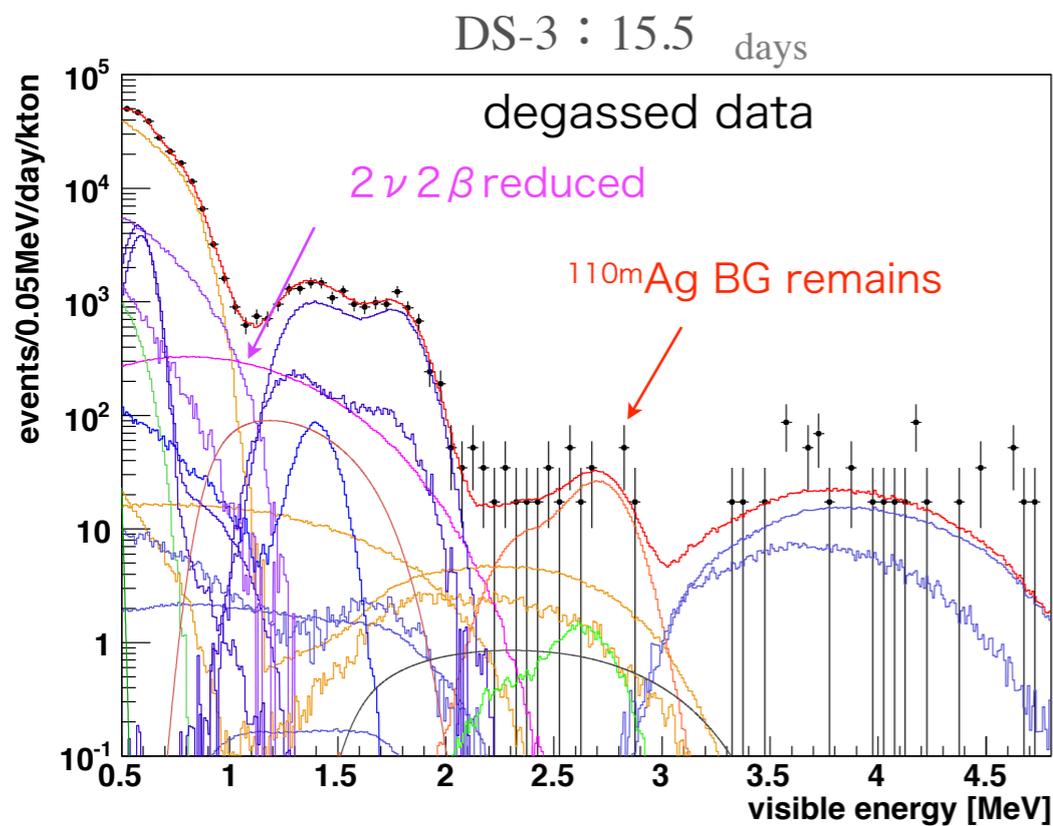
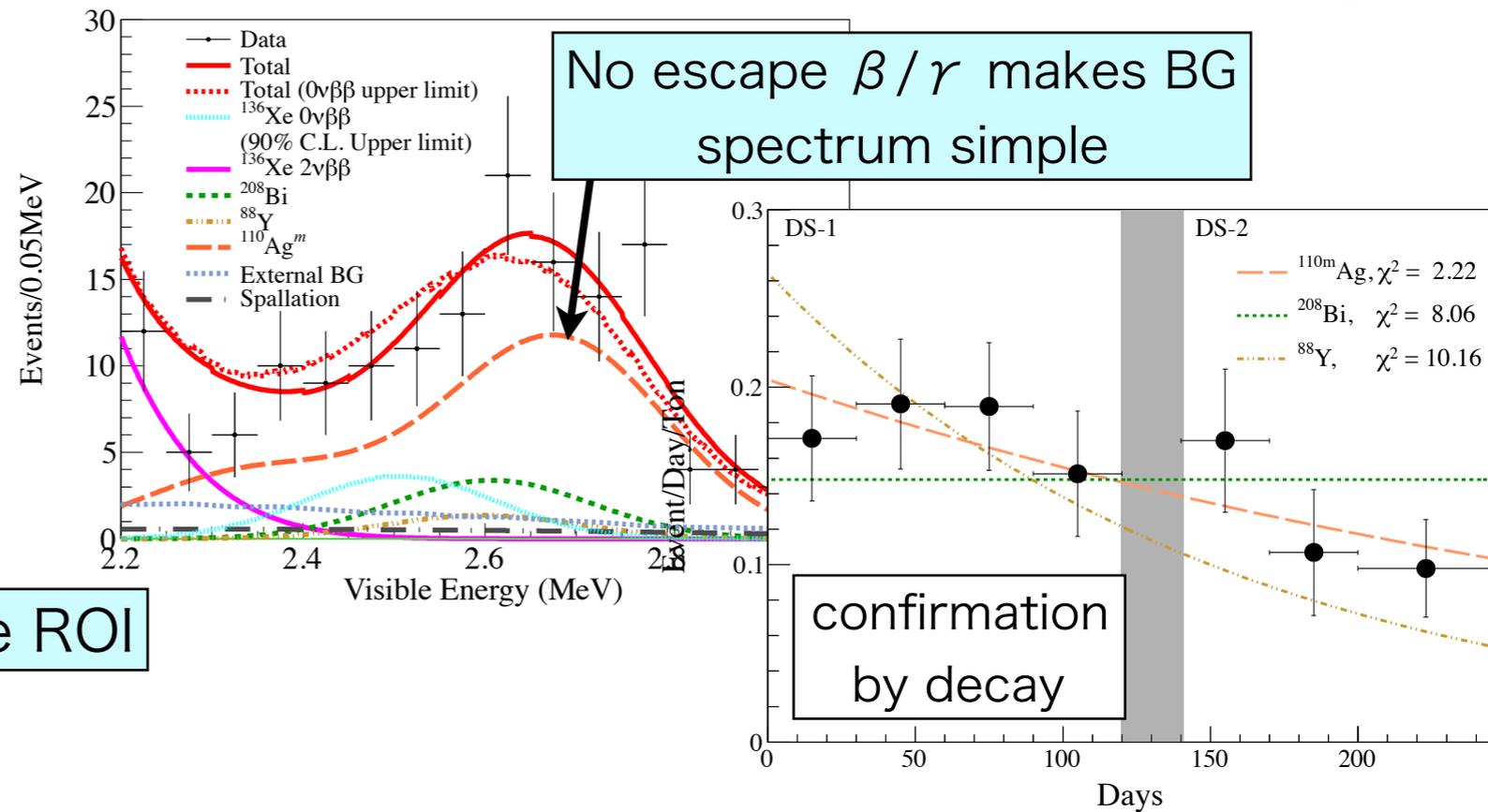
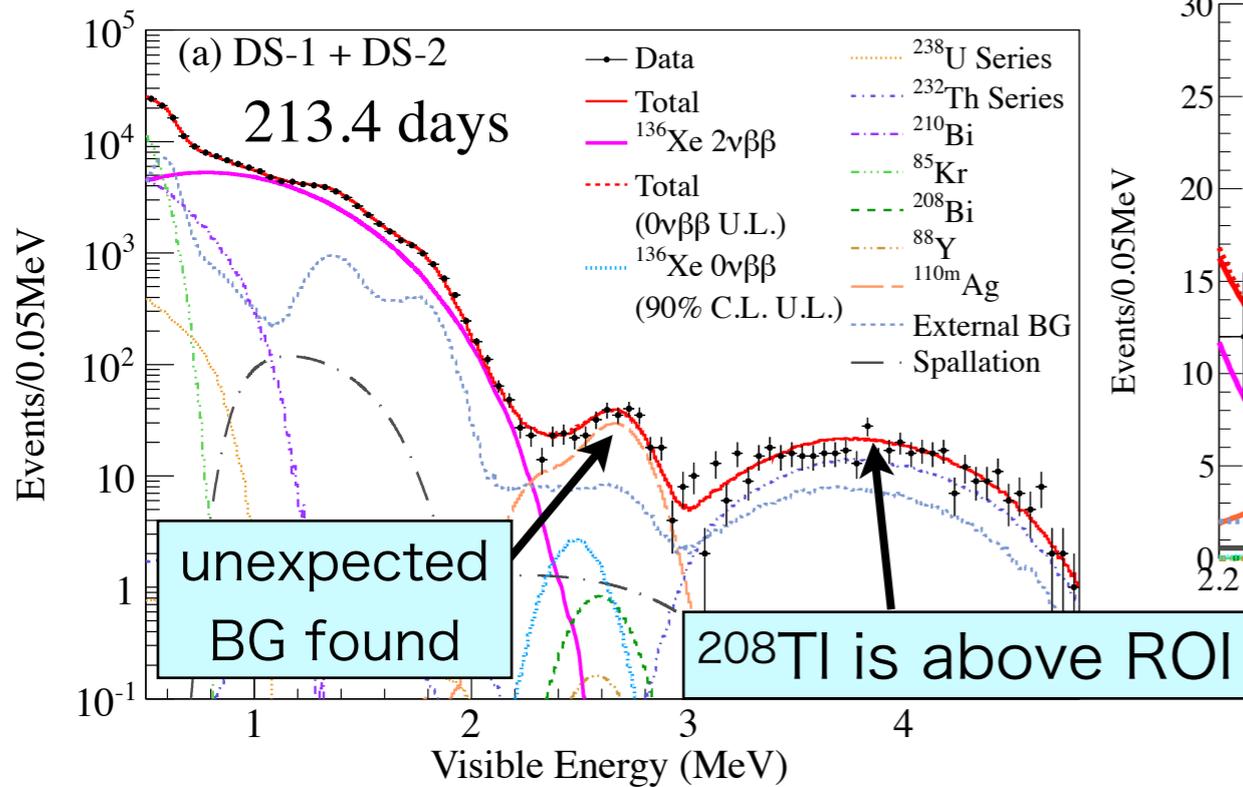


KamLAND-Zen 800



Thanks to **full active apparatus,**

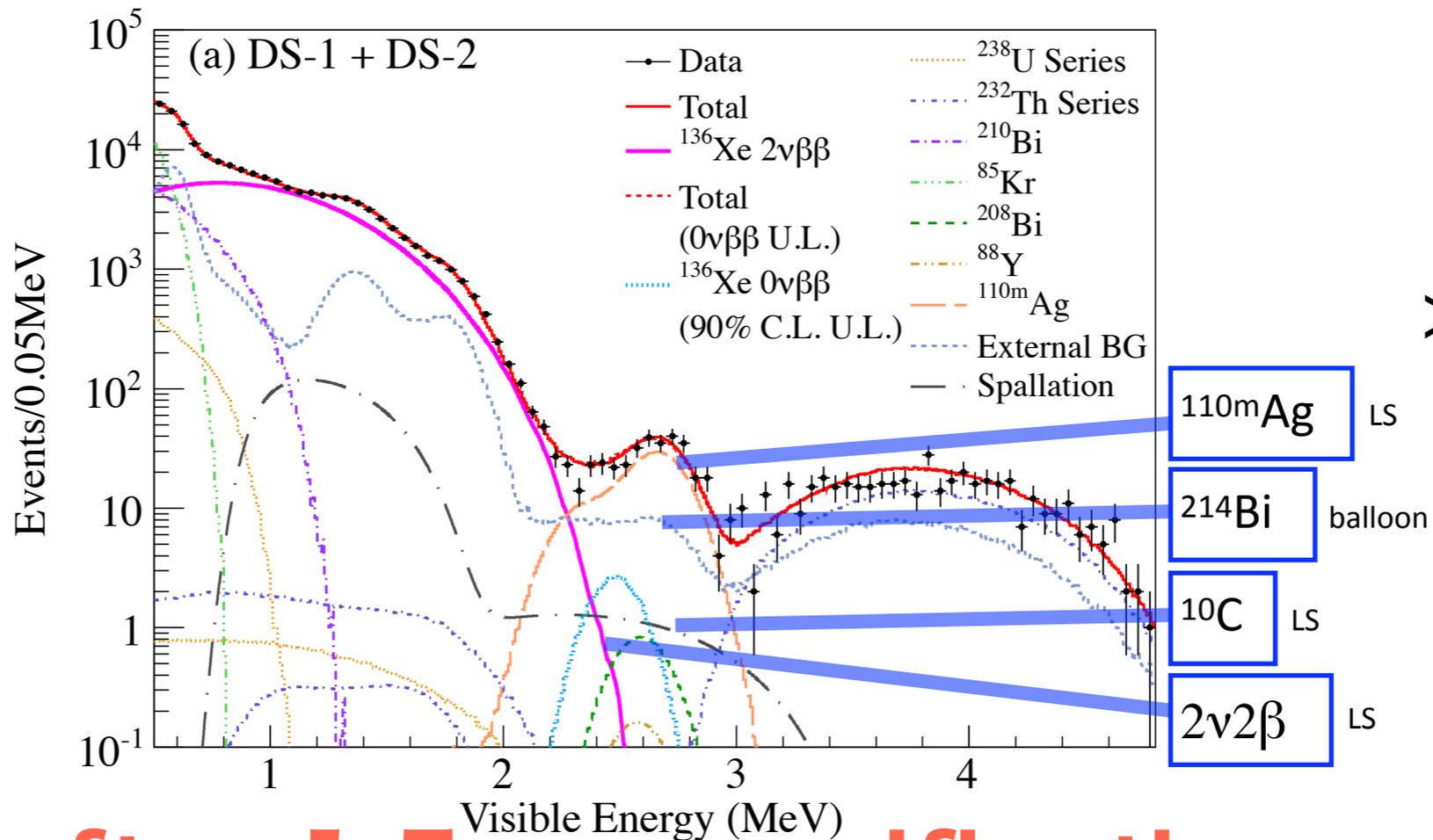
Dominant **①BG** identified as  $^{110m}\text{Ag}$



Xenon can be degassed from Xe-LS.  
 And  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  **③on/off measurement** has been demonstrated.  
 (useful for signal confirmation)

Phase-1 320kg

before purification



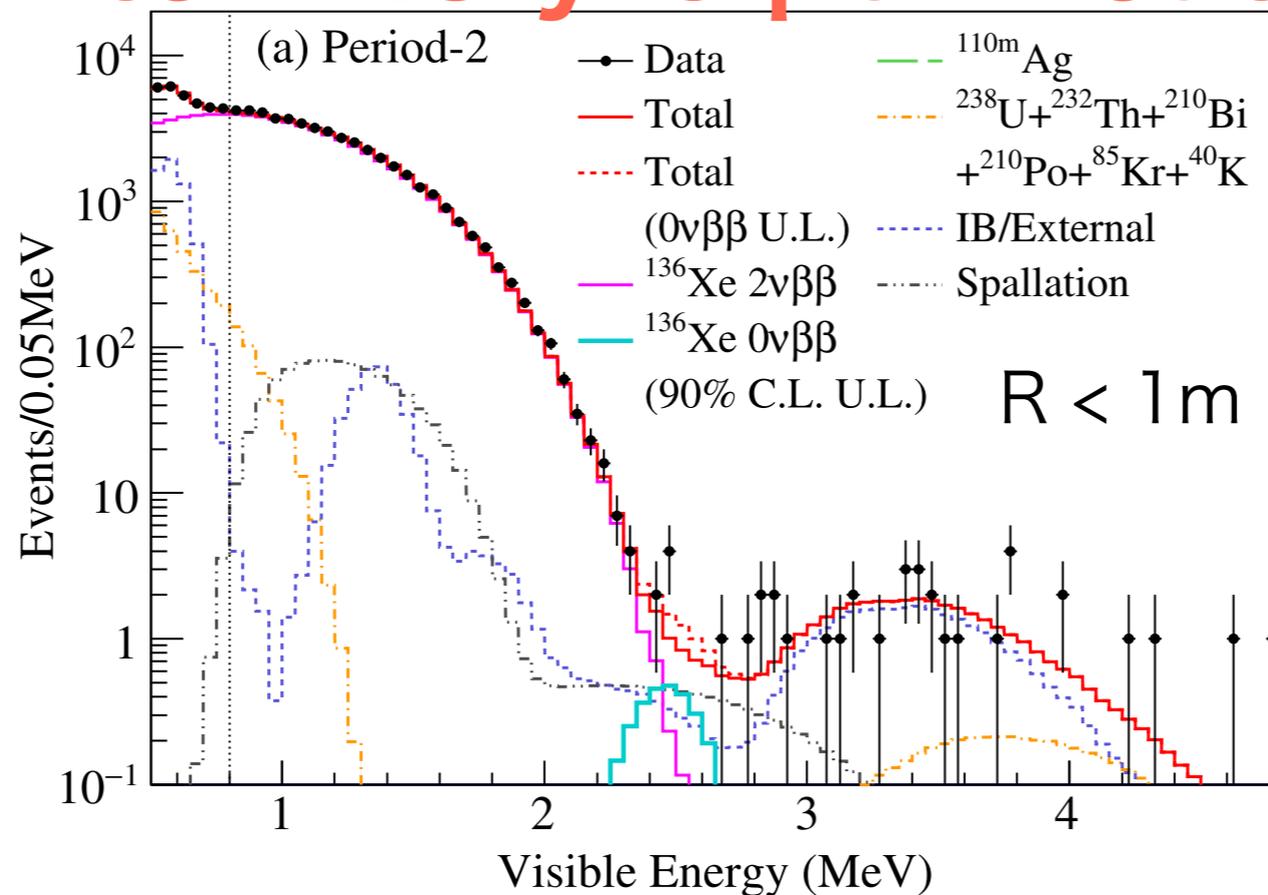
$>1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{y}$

after 1.5 yrs purification

Phase-2 380kg

after purification

$^{110\text{m}}\text{Ag}$  reduction  
1/20



2013/12/11 - 2014/10/27  
534.5 days (504 kg-yr)

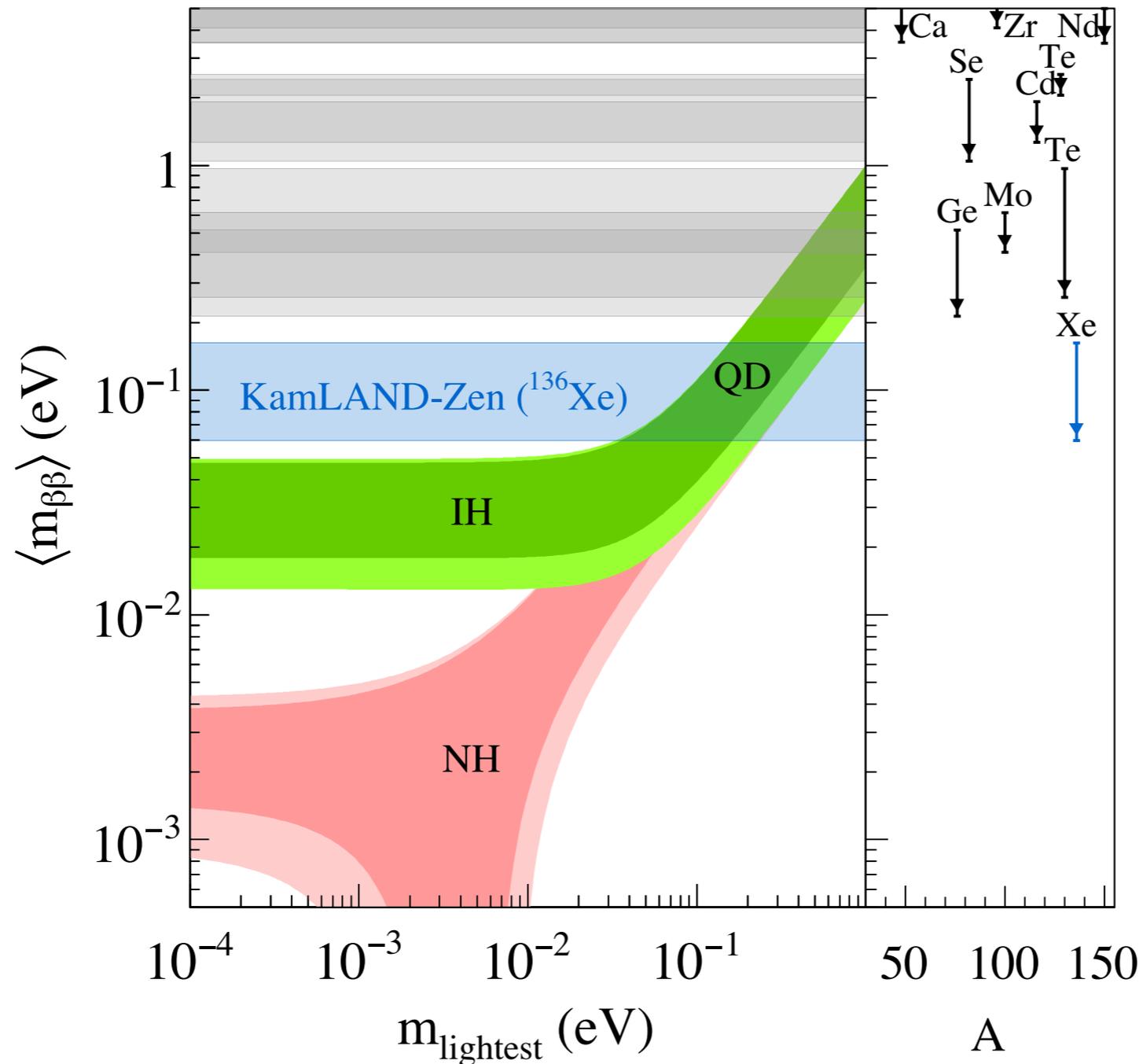
(cf.  $T_{1/2}(^{110\text{m}}\text{Ag})=250$  days)

② in-situ purification possible!!

# KamLAND-Zen 400 Phase 1+2 combined

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.07 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr}$$

(sensitivity  $5.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$ )



It also provides  
upper limit of  
 $m_{\text{lightest}}$  at  
180-480 meV.

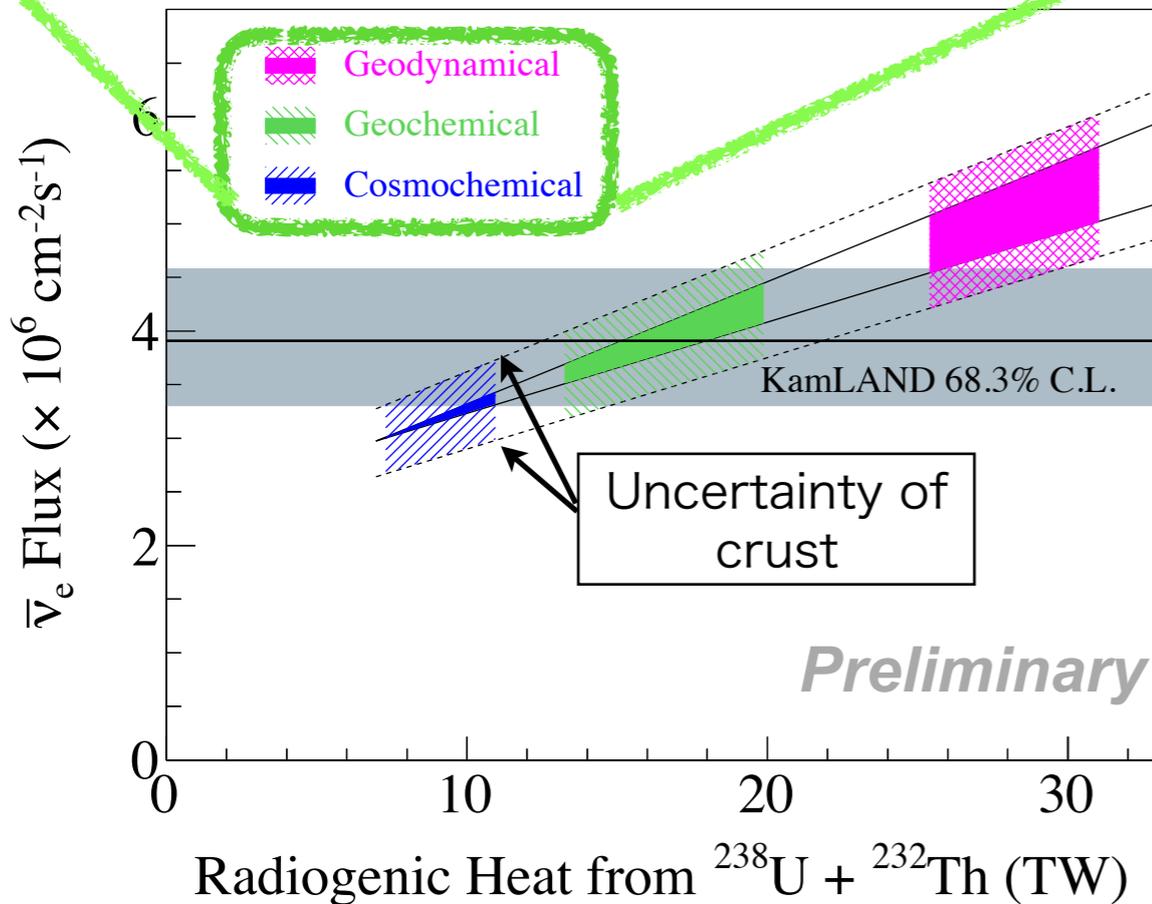
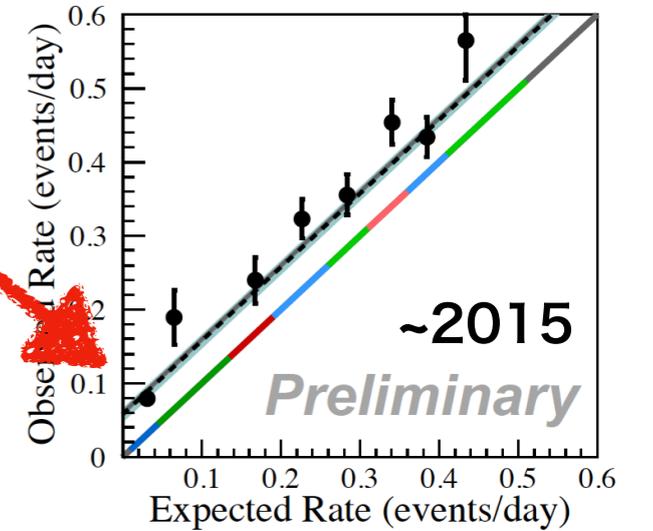
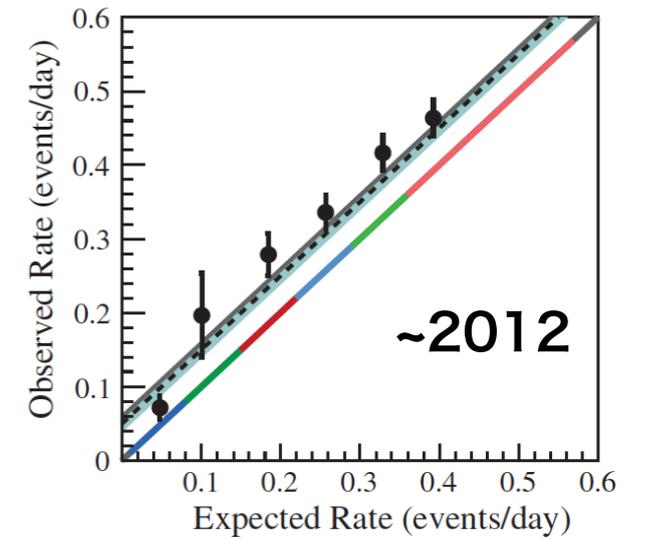
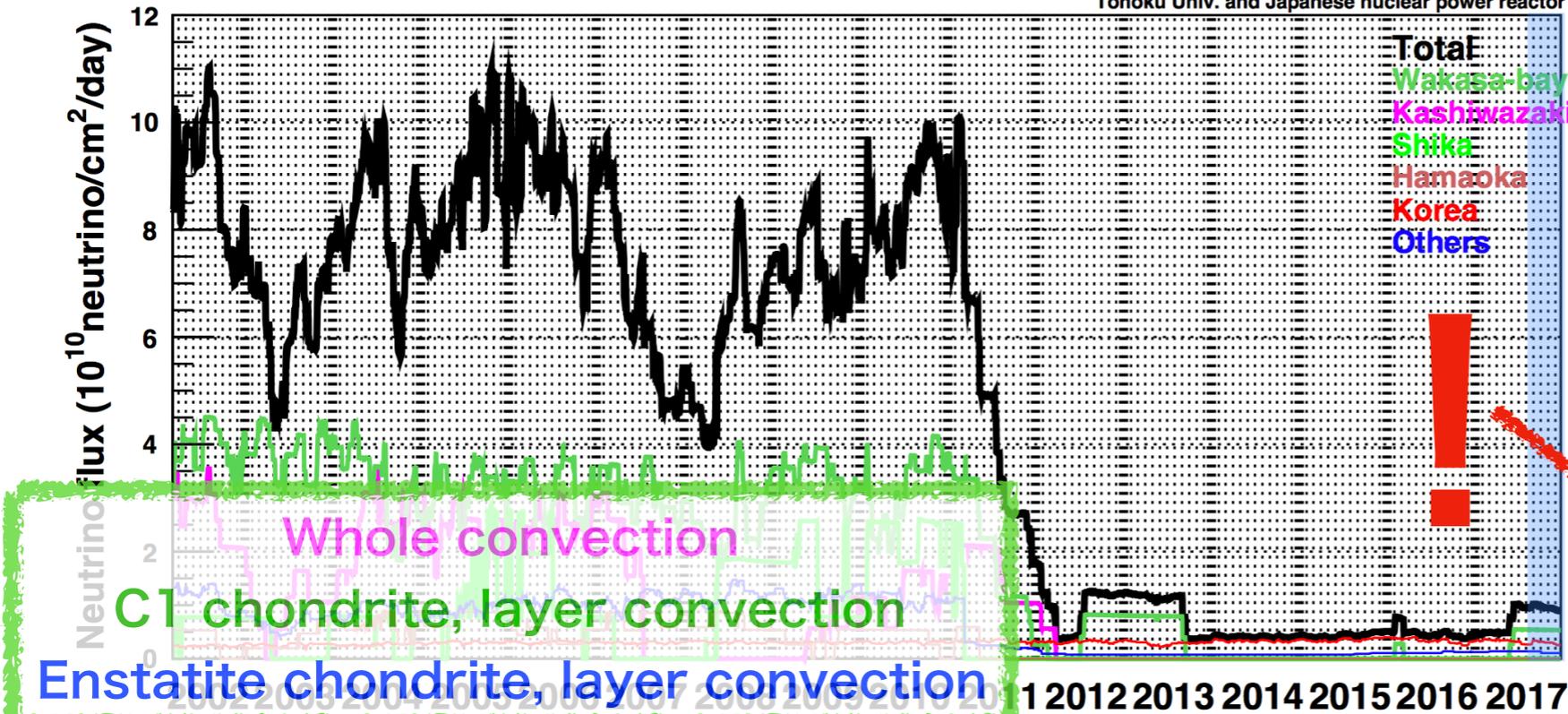
$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < (61 - 165) \text{ meV}$$

PRL117, 082503 (2016)

Big leap toward IH region !

# ④ multi-purpose

Data provided according to the special agreements between Tohoku Univ. and Japanese nuclear power reactor operators.



Geo-neutrino observation may conclude **primordial meteorite** of the earth, and **dynamics of the mantle !!**

And more ...

- Pre-supernova alarm with silicon-burning neutrinos
- Simultaneous measurement of supernova temperature and luminosity with neutrino coherent scattering on hydrogen
- Very long baseline (Korean) reactor oscillation (if Japanese ones are suspended)
- Verification of CPT in comparison with neutrino and anti-neutrino oscillation (when Japanese reactors come up)
- MSW upturn of solar  $^8\text{B}$  neutrinos above 2 MeV
- CNO cycle neutrinos (maybe with new electronics)
- Physics with J-PARC neutrino beam
- Search for charged dark matter with small mass difference to LSP
- Sterile neutrino search with cyclotron (IsoDAR)
- Verification of DAMA/LIBRA with NaI deployment

**Yes, KamLAND-Zen has  
diverse physics targets**

## “Advantages of using KamLAND”

have been **almost** demonstrated;

① low cost and quick start  
(running detector)



ran in 2 years

② BG can be identified  
(full active thick shielding)



$^{110m}\text{Ag}$  identified

③ In-situ purification possible  
(liquid media)



$^{110m}\text{Ag}$  removed

④ On/Off measurements possible  
(xenon is removable)



BG confirmed  
by degassing

⑤ multi-purpose  
(ex. geo-neutrino)

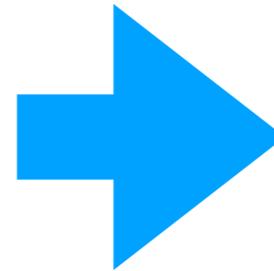
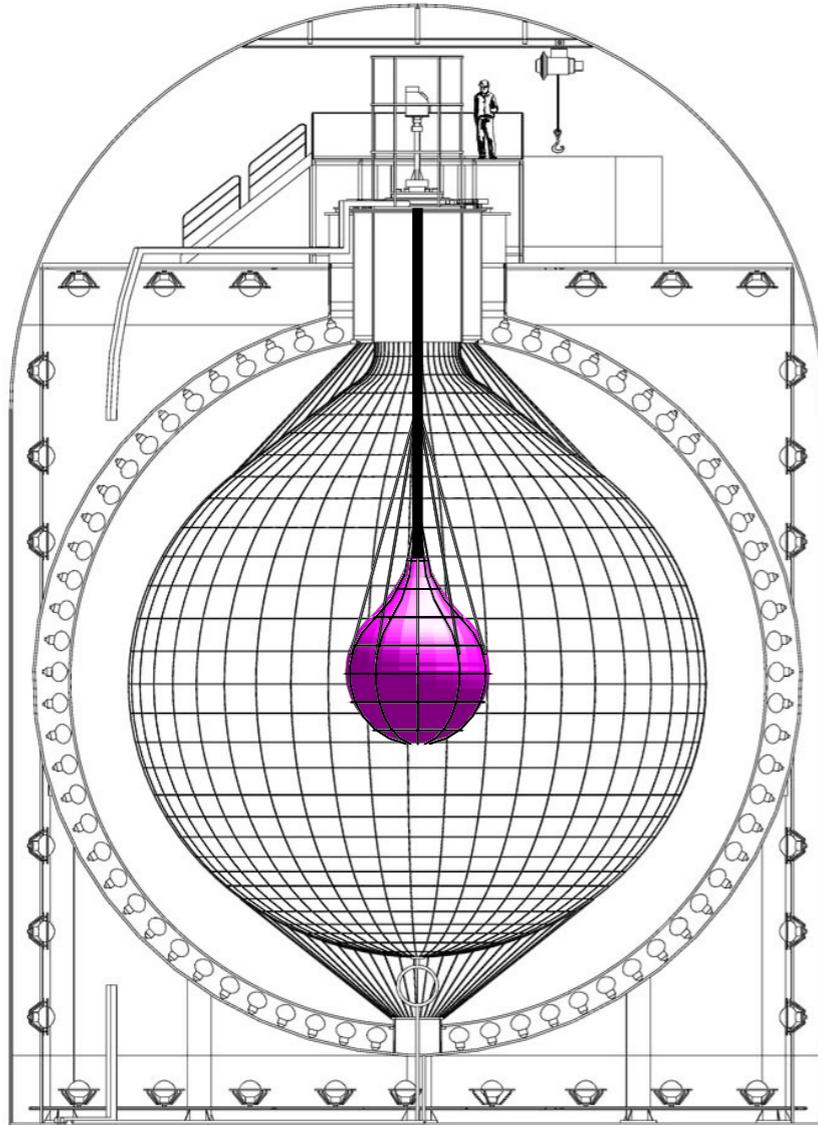


leading geo- $\nu$

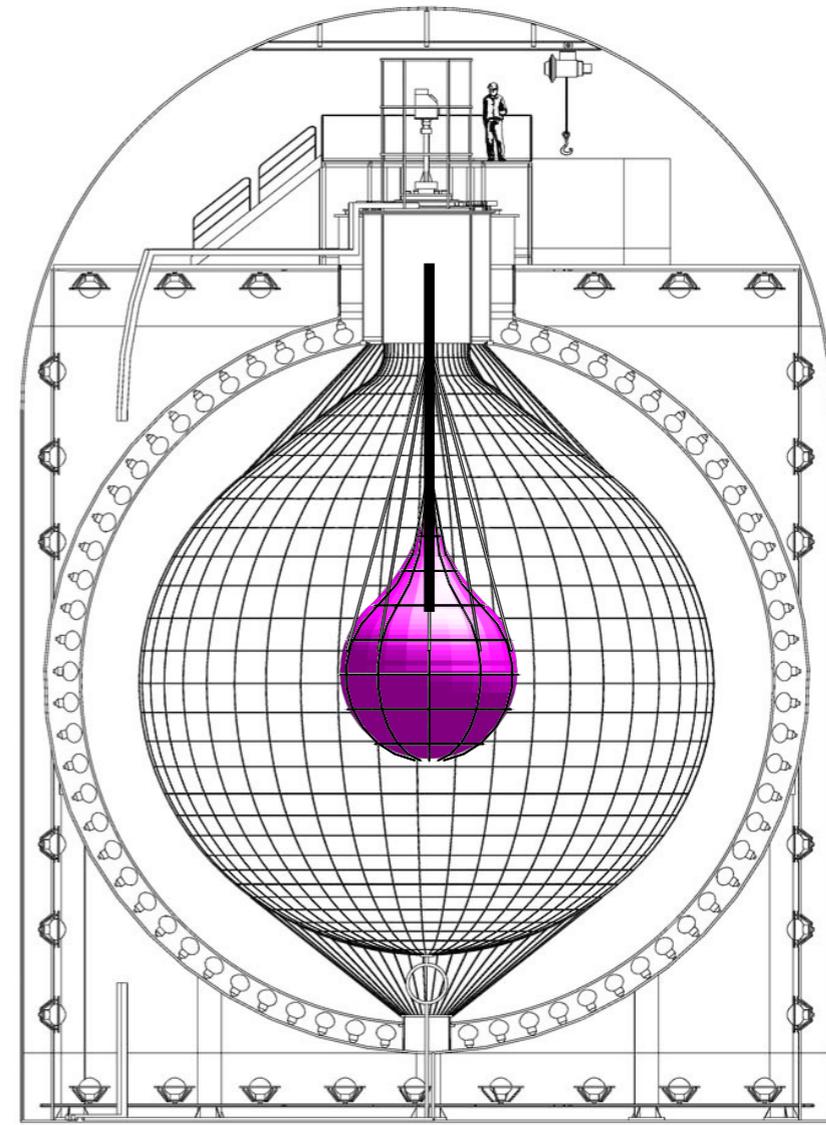
⑥ easily scalable  
(mini-balloon)

⑤ easily scalable

KamLAND-Zen 400



KamLAND-Zen 800



# double size mini-balloon fabrication



cleaning, cleaning and  
cleaning as usual



# Example of improvements

before



after



clean underwear

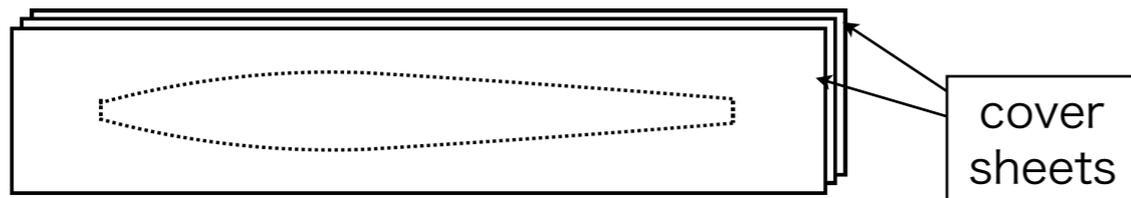


changing room in a clean room

- keep staying away
- goggle
- welding machine
- cover sheet
- glove on glove
- laundry twice a day
- clean underwear
- changing room in a clean room
- dust visualization
- more neutralizer

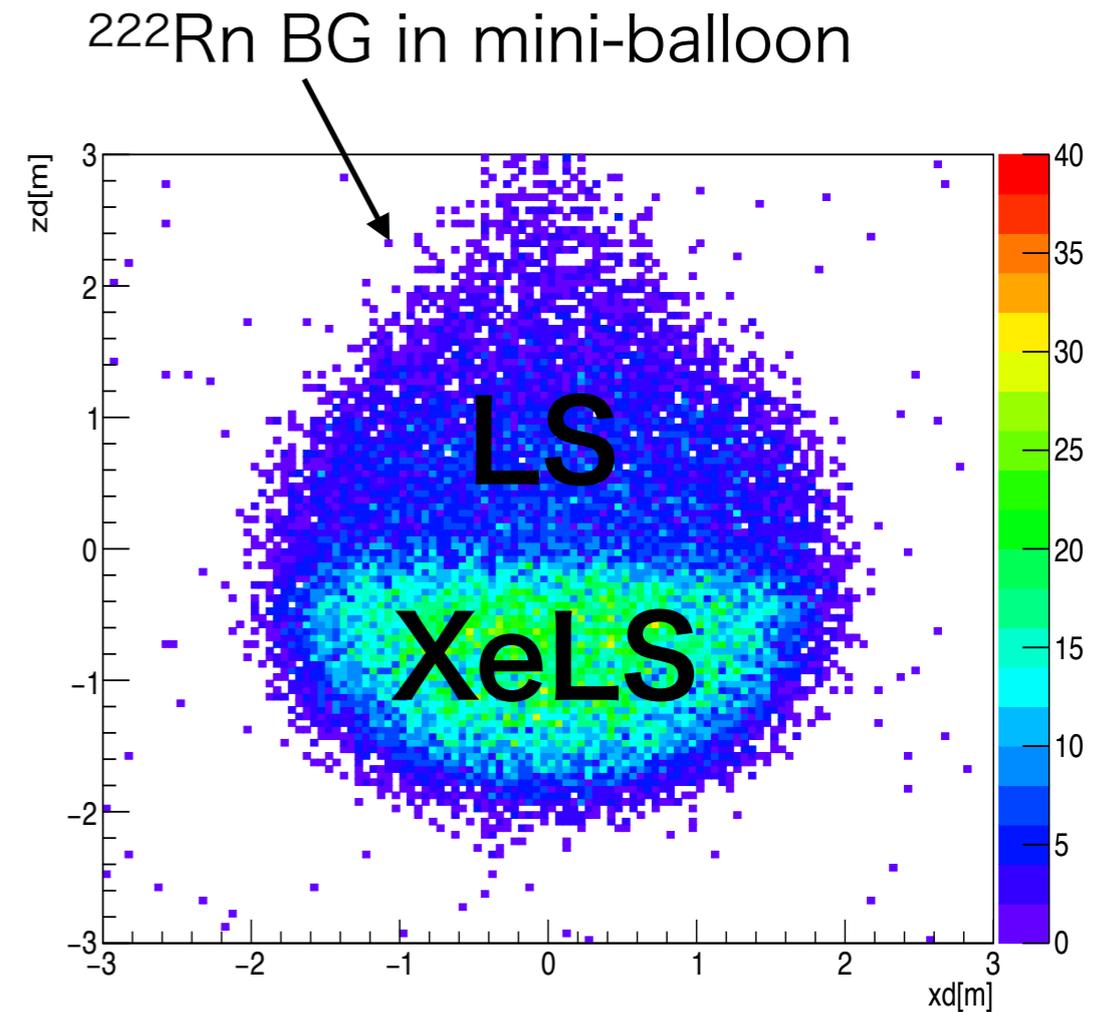
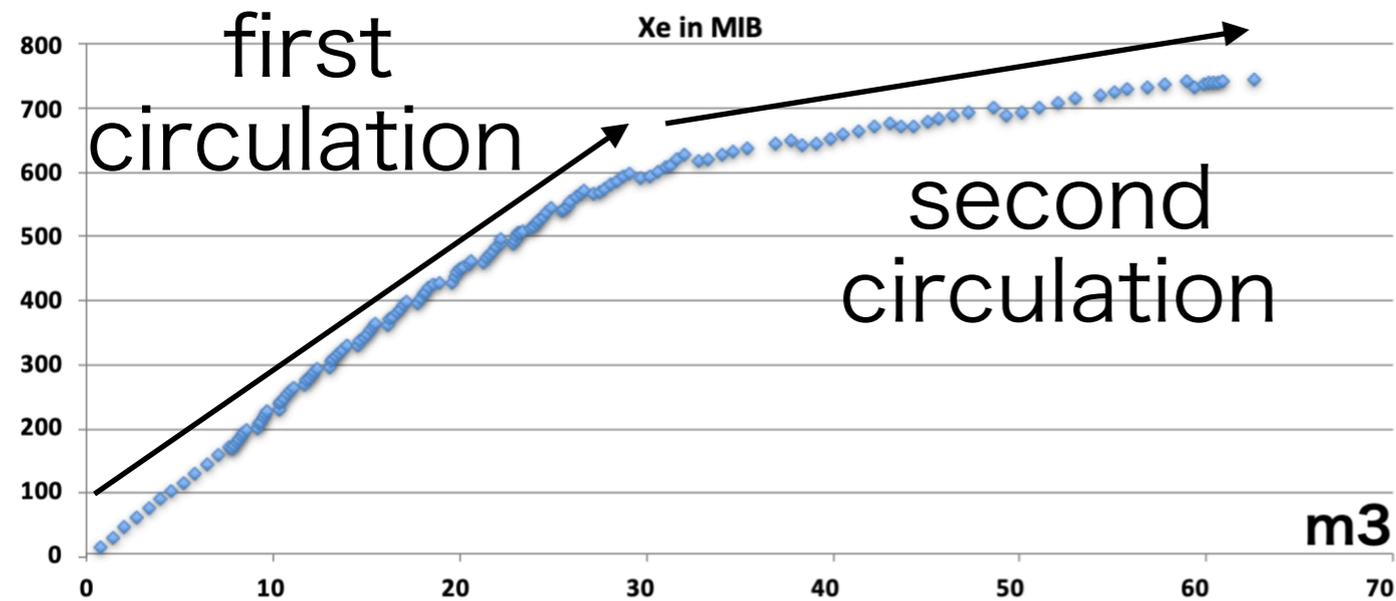


laundry twice a day



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Add 91% enriched  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  by recirculation (bottom supply, top extraction)

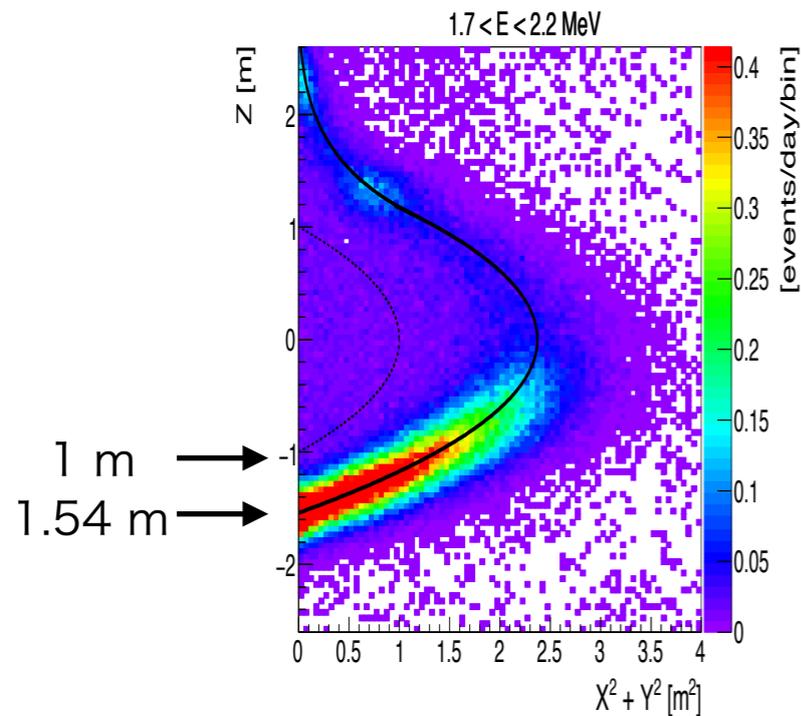


World largest amount of double beta decay nuclei, **~745kg**, has been installed.

Physics run has started on January 22, 2019.

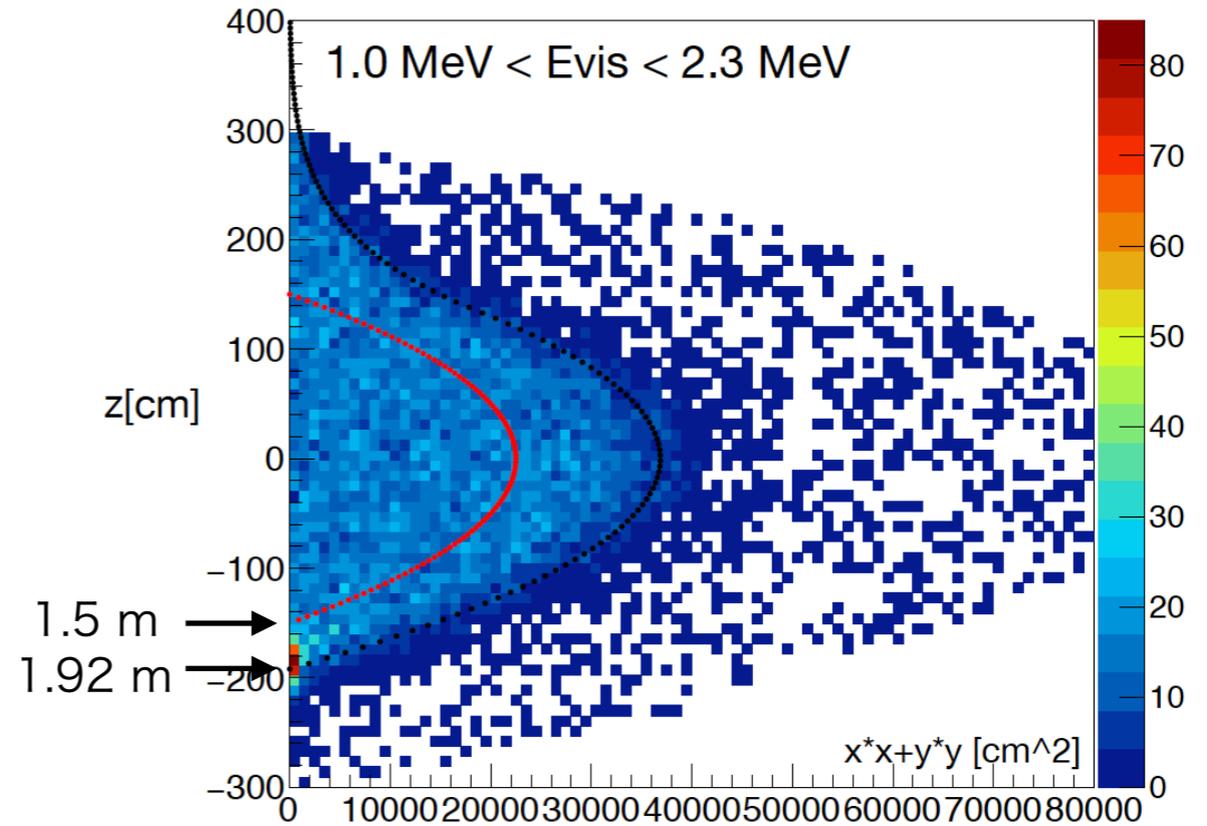
# 2ν region Z vs ρ<sup>2</sup>

Zen 400 phase 2



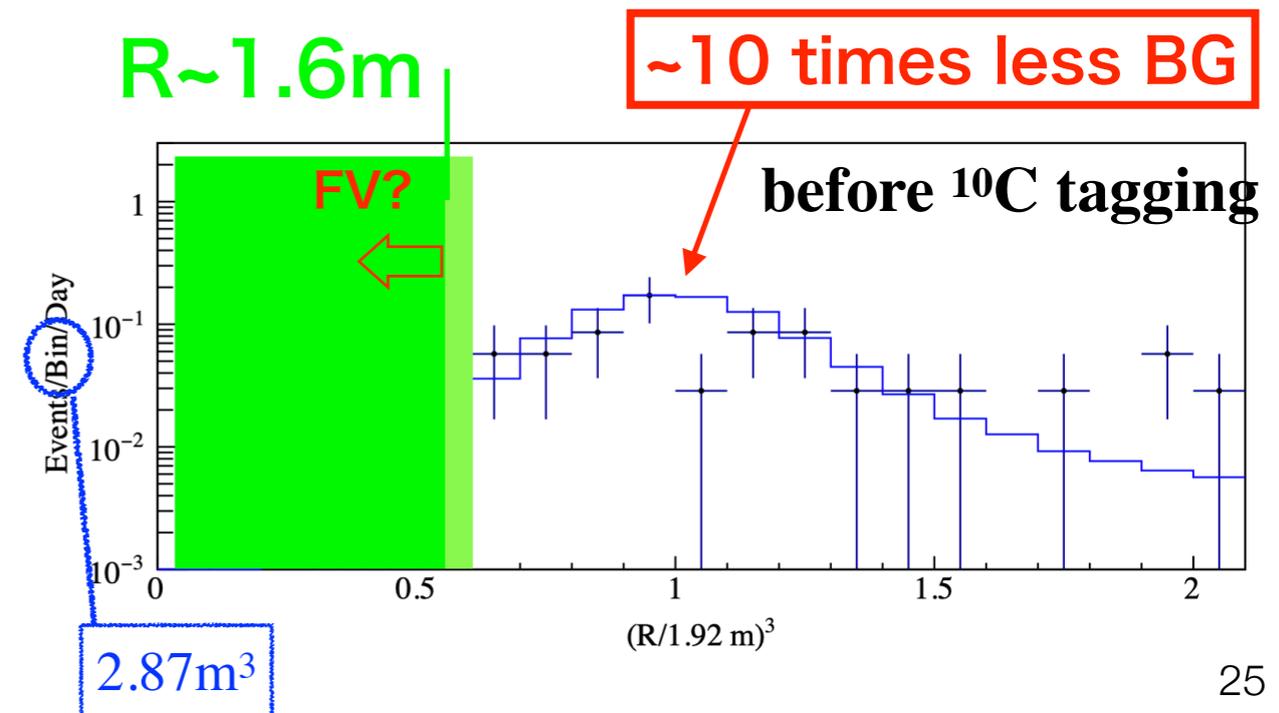
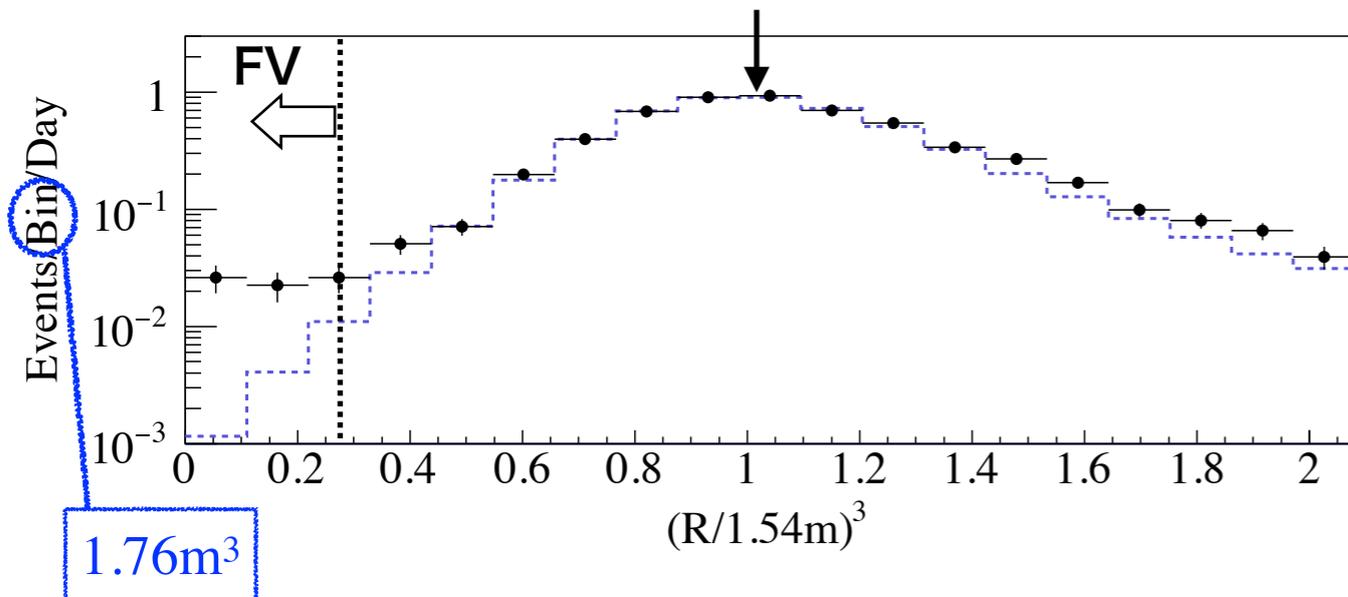
contaminated with <sup>134</sup>Cs,  
dust sank

Zen 800



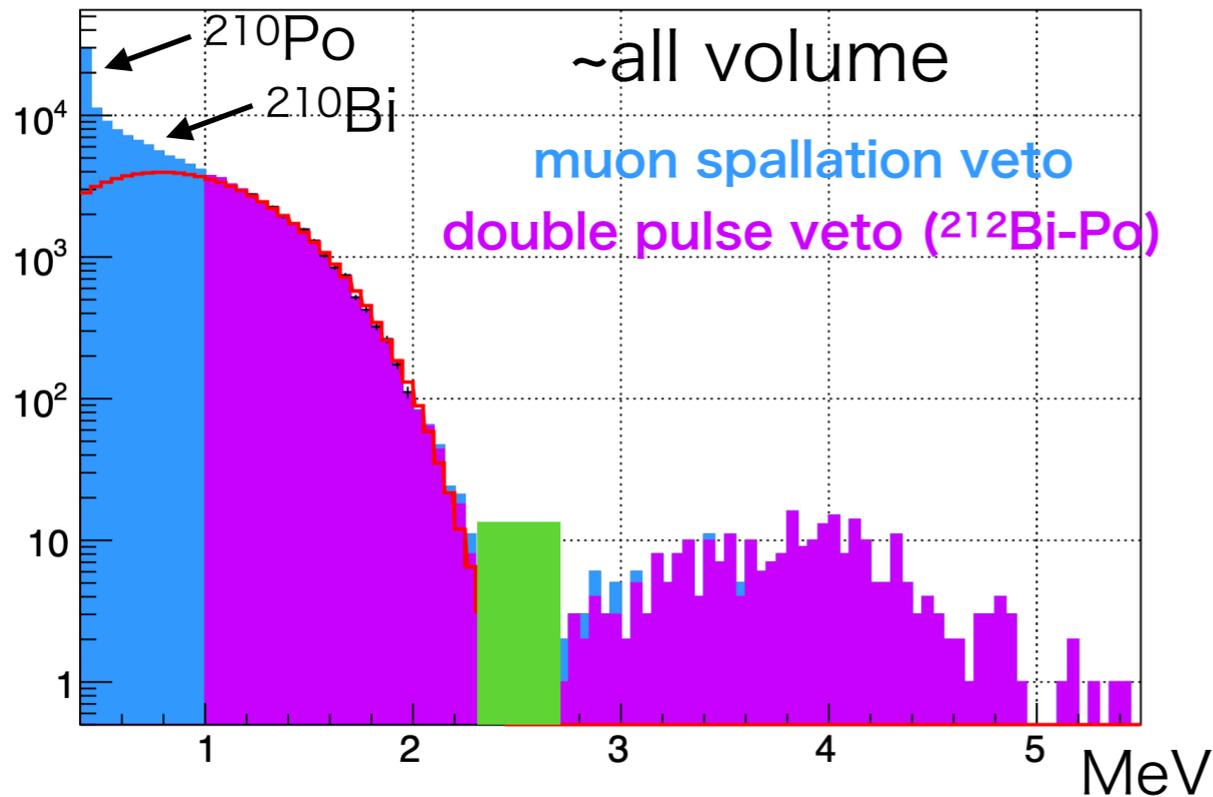
2ν2β dominates in all volume

# 0ν region (2.3-2.7 MeV) r<sup>3</sup>

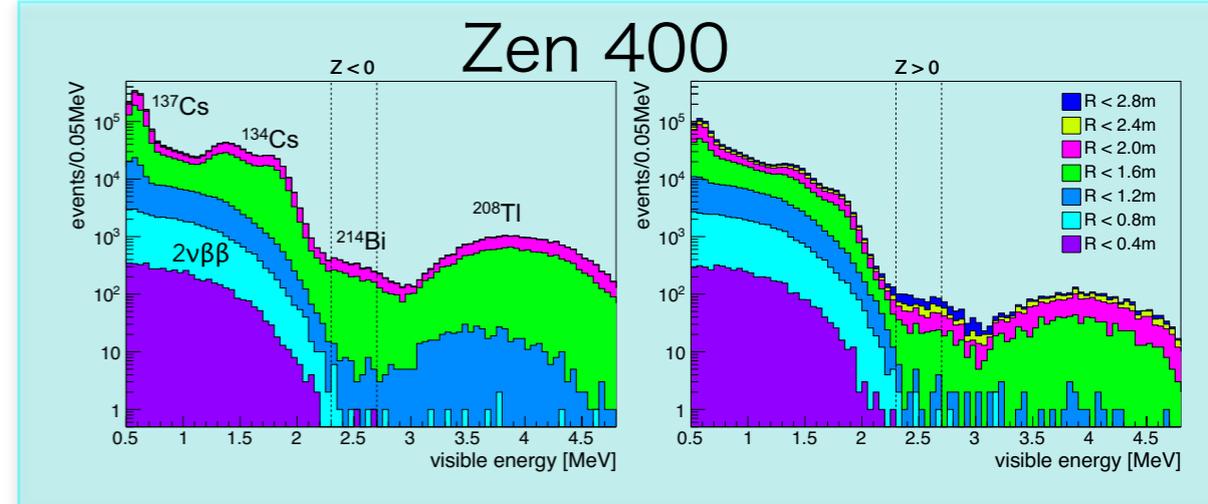
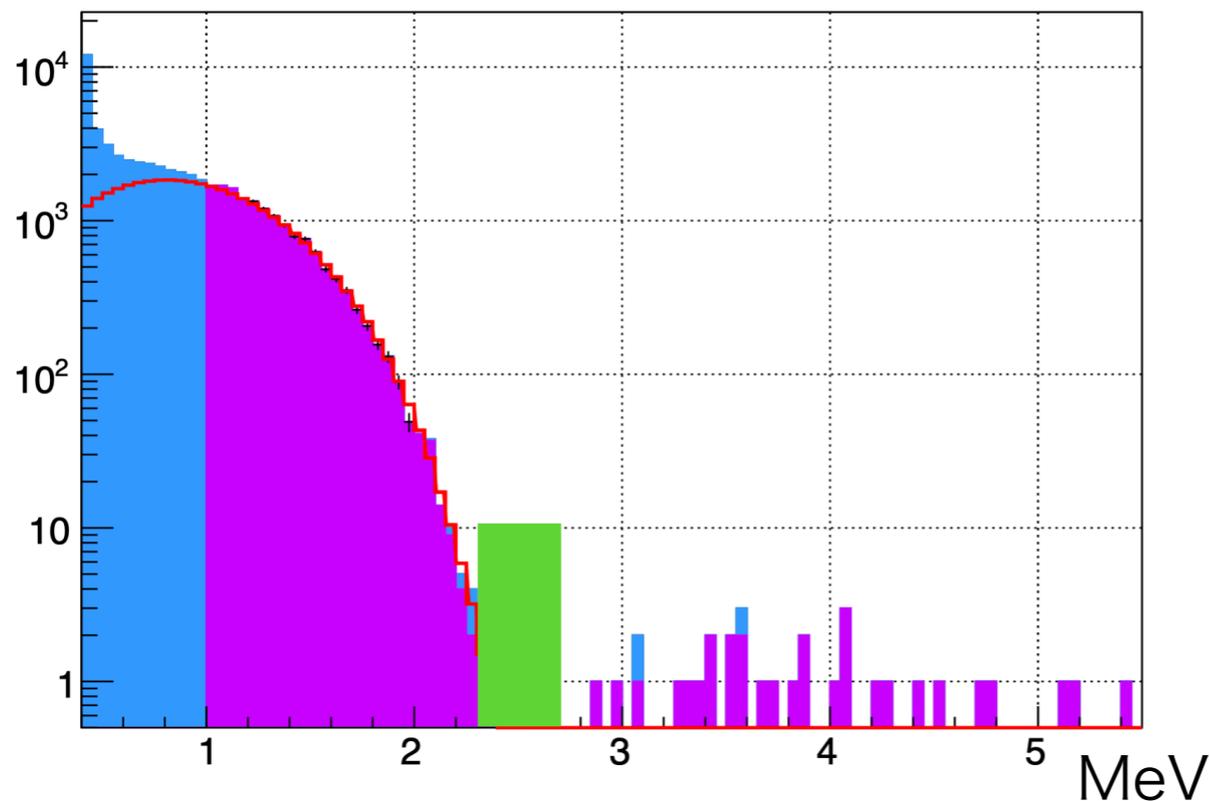


# after $^{214}\text{Bi}$ -Po cut

$r < 220$  cm ( $r_{\text{balloon}} = 1.92\text{m}$ )



$r < 150$  cm



No strange BG is seen in  $2\nu 2\beta$  region even in all volume.

$^{208}\text{Tl}$  and probably  $^{214}\text{Bi}$  are seen in higher energies.

$^{214}\text{Bi}$  rejection efficiency on the mini-balloon is ~50%.

Radius cut reduces  $^{208}\text{Tl}$  and  $^{214}\text{Bi}$  (potential BG) very well.

FV can be 3~4 times larger and equivalent with all volume of Zen 400.

Finally,

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leading geo- $\nu$

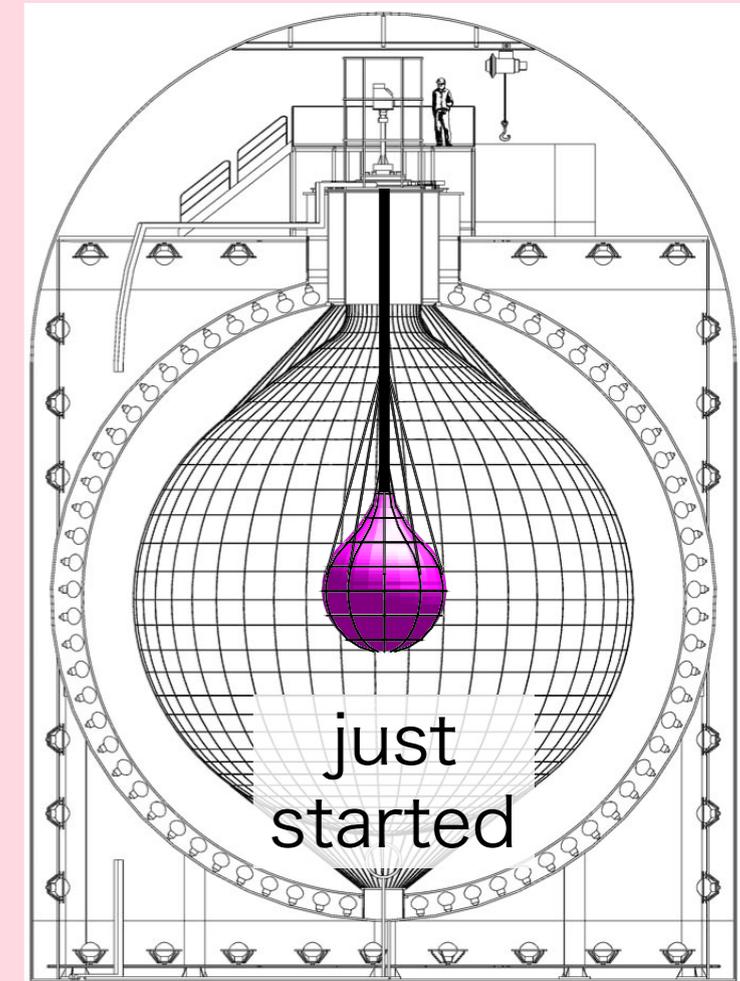
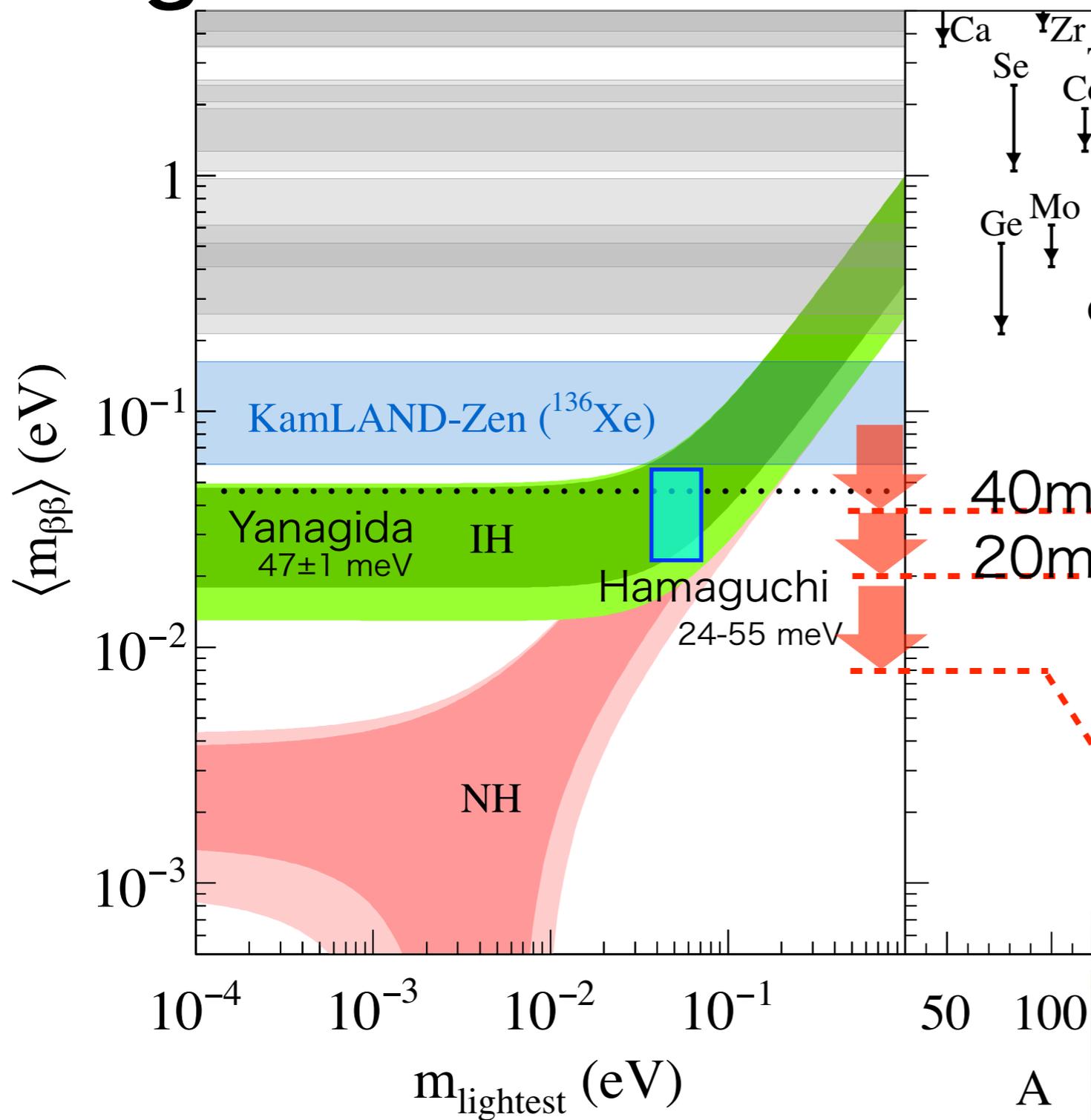
⑥ easily? scalable

(mini-balloon)



mass doubled

# Target sensitivities



low BG film, 750 kg xenon  
KamLAND-Zen 800  
 $5 \times 10^{26}$  y (5y)



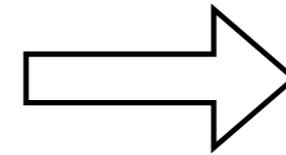
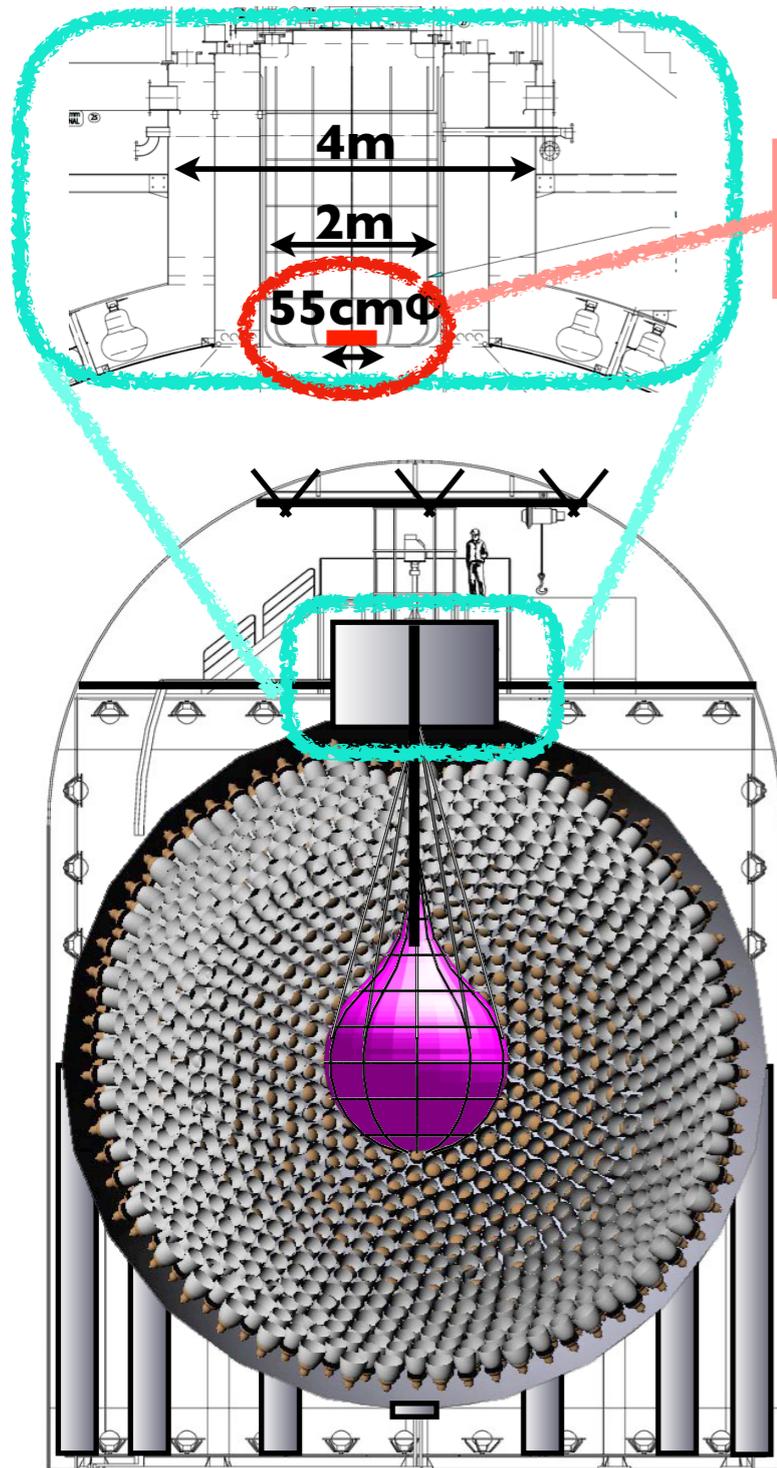
$\sim 30$  M\$

better resolution  
scintillating film  
KamLAND2-Zen  
 $2 \times 10^{27}$  y (5y)

The discovery may be just around the corner.  
KamLAND-Zen is closest !!!

# And more future plans!

Higher energy resolution for reducing  $2\nu$  BG



KamLAND2-Zen

Expansion  
of entrance



Winston cone

light collection  $\times 1.8$

high q.e. PMT

light collection  $\times 1.9$

17"  $\phi \rightarrow 20$ "  $\phi$   $\epsilon = 22 \rightarrow 30+\%$

New LAB LS

light collection  $\times 1.4$

(better transparency)

expected  $\sigma(2.6\text{MeV}) = 4\% \rightarrow \sim 2\%$

target sensitivity 20 meV

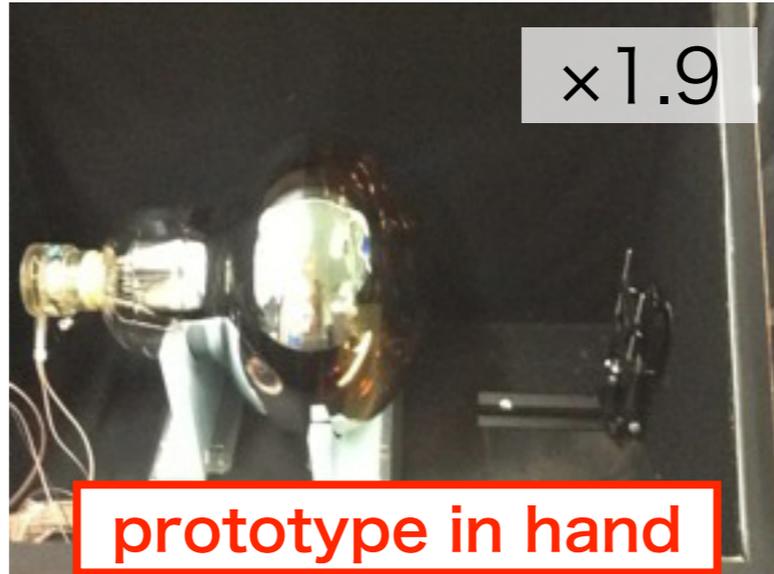
1000+ kg xenon

# R&D for KamLAND2-Zen and future

○ winston cone



○ HQE-PMT



○ New LAB-LS

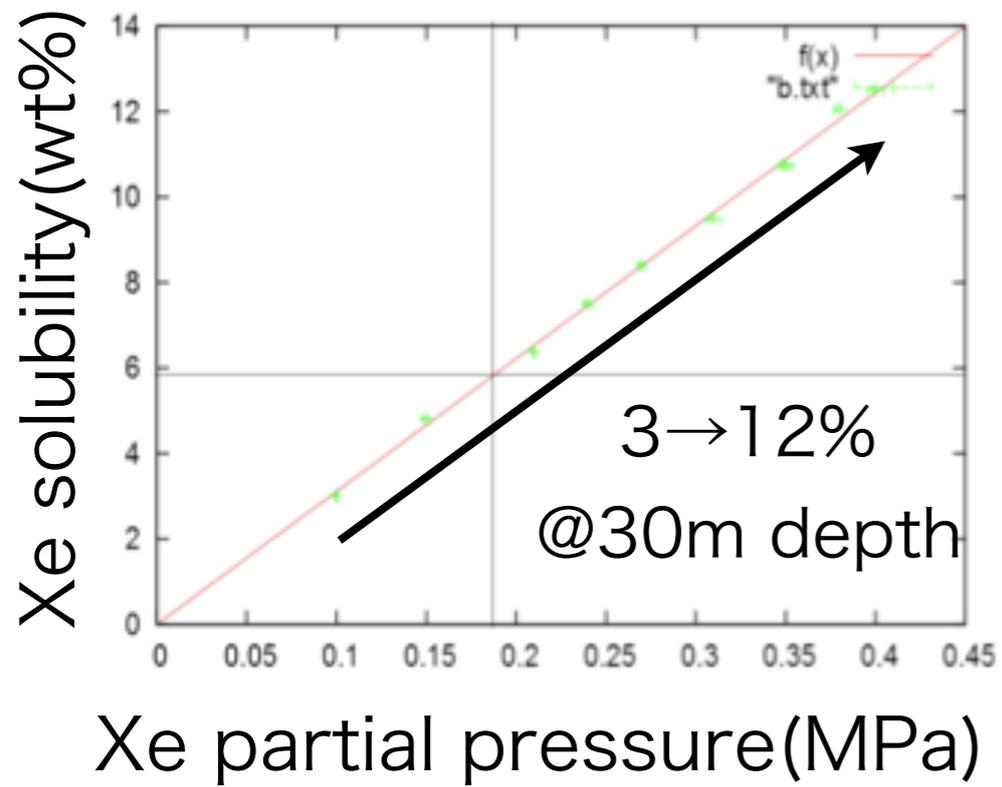
LAB (Linear Alkylbenzene)

$$\text{H}_3\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_x \text{---} \text{CH}_2 \text{---} \text{C}(\text{CH}_3) \text{---} (\text{CH}_2)_y \text{CH}_3$$

Purification succeeded with charcoal

x1.4

○ denser xenon



principle confirmed

○ scintillator film

tag  $\alpha$  in the film

$^{214}\text{Po}$   $^{214}\text{Bi}$  reduction

PEN  
polyethylenephthalate

\*OC(=O)c1ccc2ccccc2c1C(=O)OCC\*

prototype succeeded

○  $^{10}\text{C}$  tag

$\mu$  ①

$\tau = 208 \mu\text{s}$

$^{12}\text{C}$   $n$   $n$  ②

$^{10}\text{C}$   $\tau = 27.8 \text{ s}$

③

2ch prototype

# Conceptual design of KamLAND2-Zen

Rough extrapolation of BG estimation & sensitivity

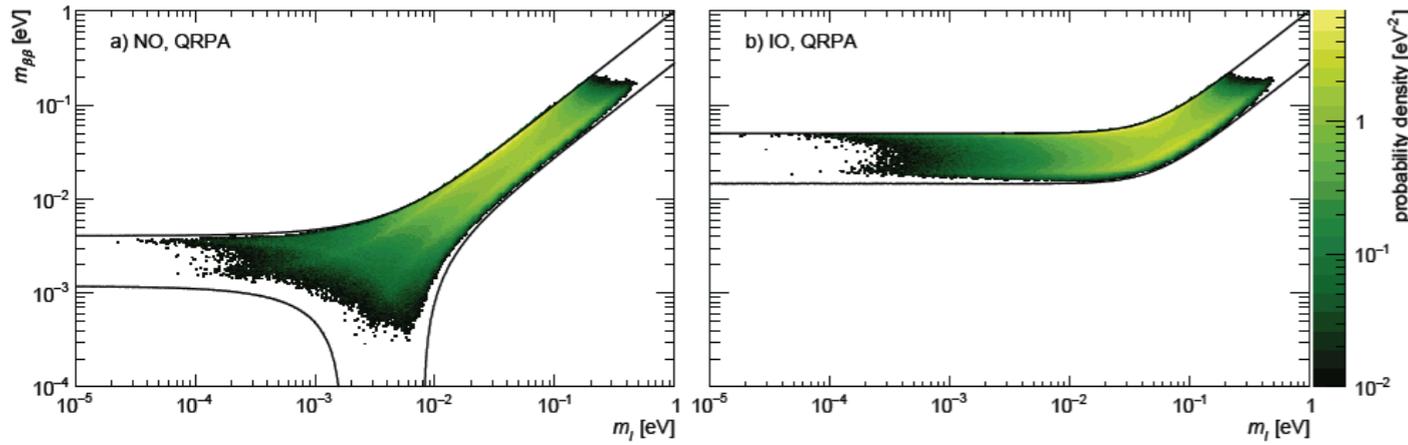
	KamLAND-Zen 400	KamLAND-Zen 800	KamLAND2-Zen 2.38-2.58 MeV	KamLAND2-Zen High P
$2\nu 2\beta$ [/100kgXe/y]	7.4	7.4	$\xrightarrow{\sigma_E}$ <0.15	<0.15
$^{10}\text{C}$ [/100kgXe/y]	1.3	0.18	$\xrightarrow{\sigma_E}$ 0.09	$\xrightarrow{1.8 \text{ atm}}$ 0.05
$^8\text{B}\nu$ [/100kgXe/y]	0.33	0.33	$\xrightarrow{\sigma_E}$ 0.16	$\xrightarrow{1.8 \text{ atm}}$ 0.09
FV (loading) [kgXe]	100 (380)	300+ (745)	$\xrightarrow{\text{PEN}}$ 1000 (1000)	1000 (1000)
(Expected) reach	61-165 meV $1.07 \times 10^{26}$ yr	40 meV $5 \times 10^{26}$ yr	20 meV $2 \times 10^{27}$ yr	<20meV > $2 \times 10^{27}$ yr

  
baseline

further  
options

- high pressure xenon for better S/N
- $\beta / \gamma$  discrimination with imaging
- $\beta / 2\beta$  discrimination with Cherenkov

# Posterior distribution

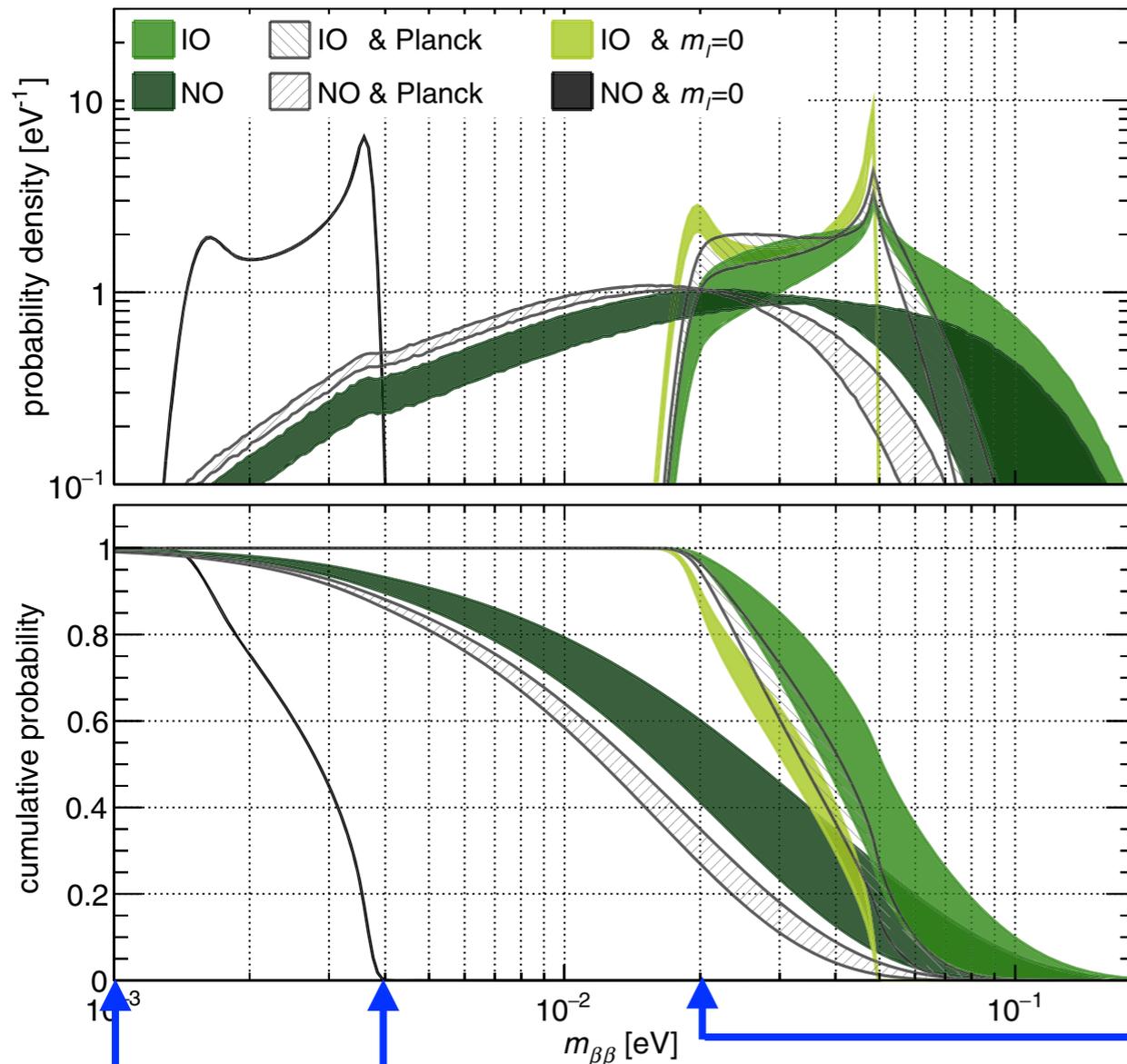


# Prior choice

$$\underbrace{\{\Sigma, \Delta m_{21}^2, \Delta m_{31}^2 \text{ or } \Delta m_{23}^2, \theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \alpha_{21}\}}_{\text{logarithmic}} \underbrace{, (\alpha_{31} - \delta)}_{\text{flat}}$$

# Likelihood test

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{osc}} | \Delta m_{21}^2) \cdot \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{osc}} | \Delta m_{31}^2 / \Delta m_{23}^2) \\ & \cdot \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{osc}} | s_{12}^2) \cdot \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{osc}} | s_{13}^2) \\ & \cdot \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{Troitsk}} | m_\beta) \cdot \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}_{0\nu\beta\beta} | m_{\beta\beta}) \end{aligned}$$

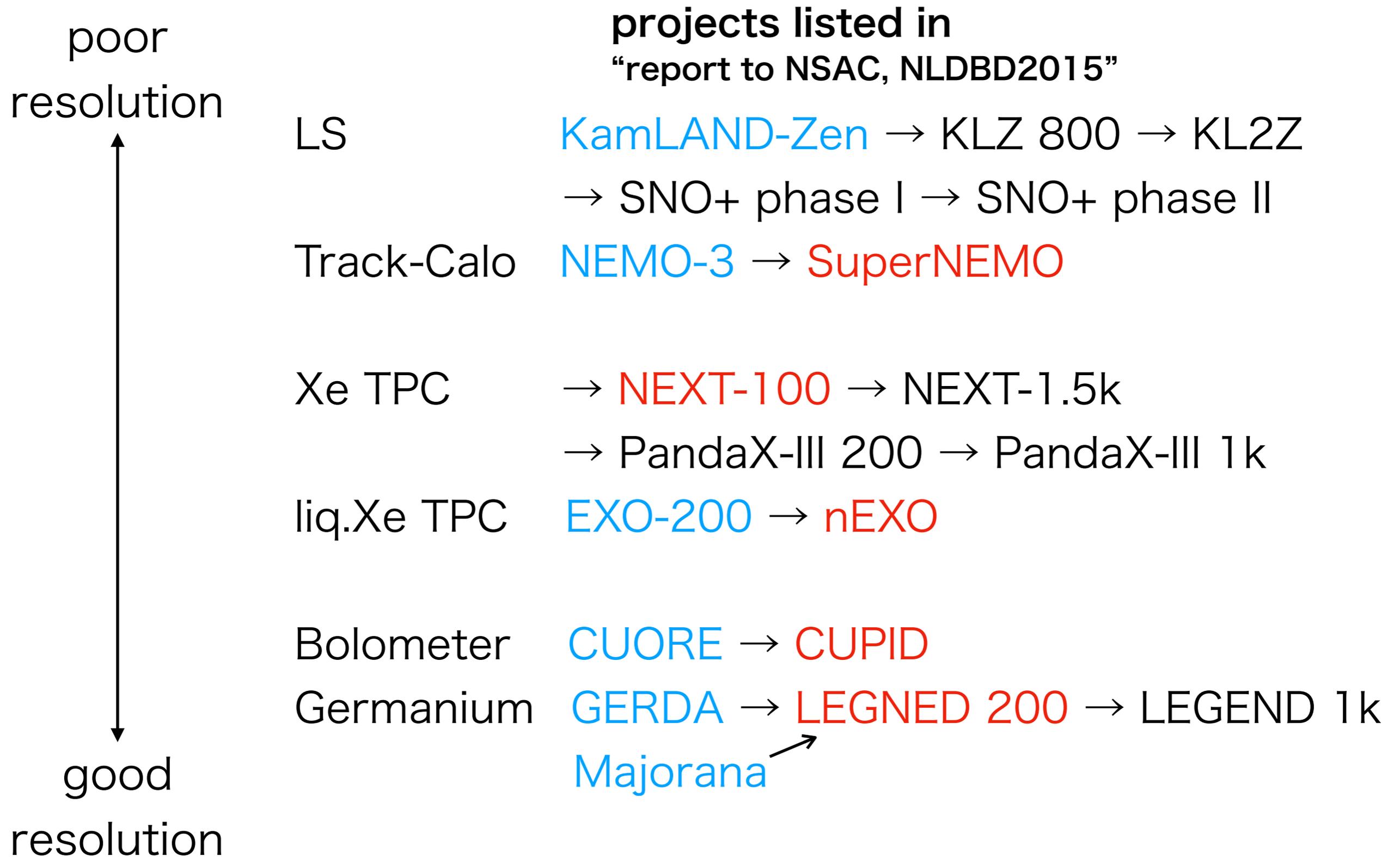


1 meV

20meV covers 95% of IH and 50% NH

No coverage above 4meV, if NH & m\_min=0.

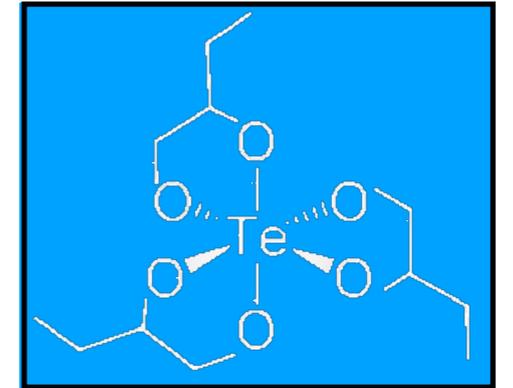
# Toward High resolution & BG discrimination



# SNO+



uniformly dissolved  
Tellurium-ButaneDiol



natural abundance of  $^{130}\text{Te}$ : **34%**

phase I, 0.5 wt% loading

(1.3t, 260kg fiducial)

sensitivity:  $2 \times 10^{26}$  yr, 38~92 meV (5y)

phase II, 2wt% loading + HQE PMTs

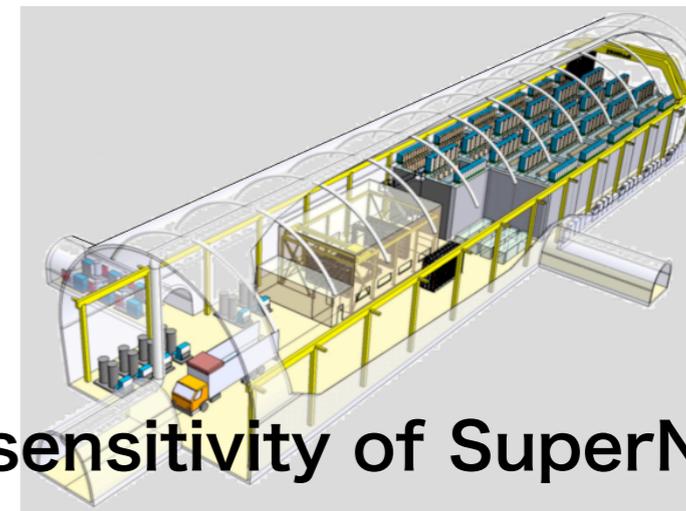
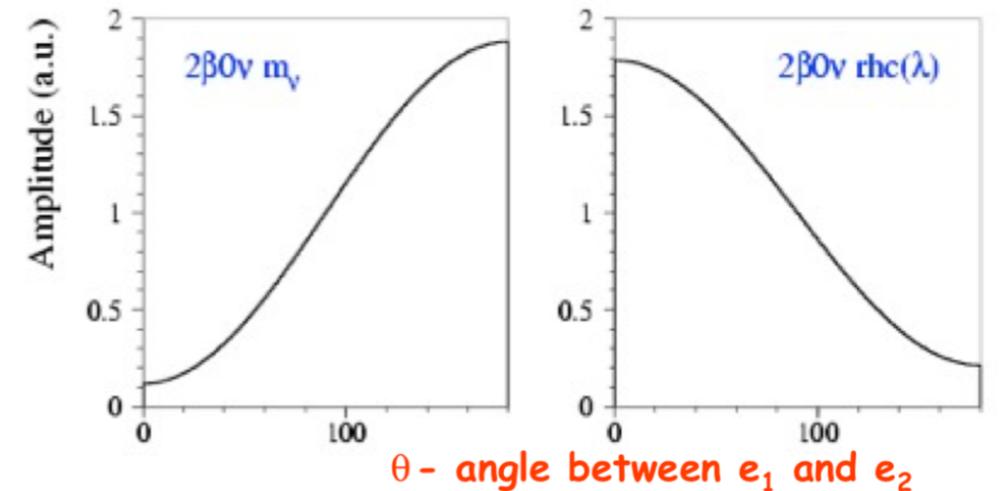
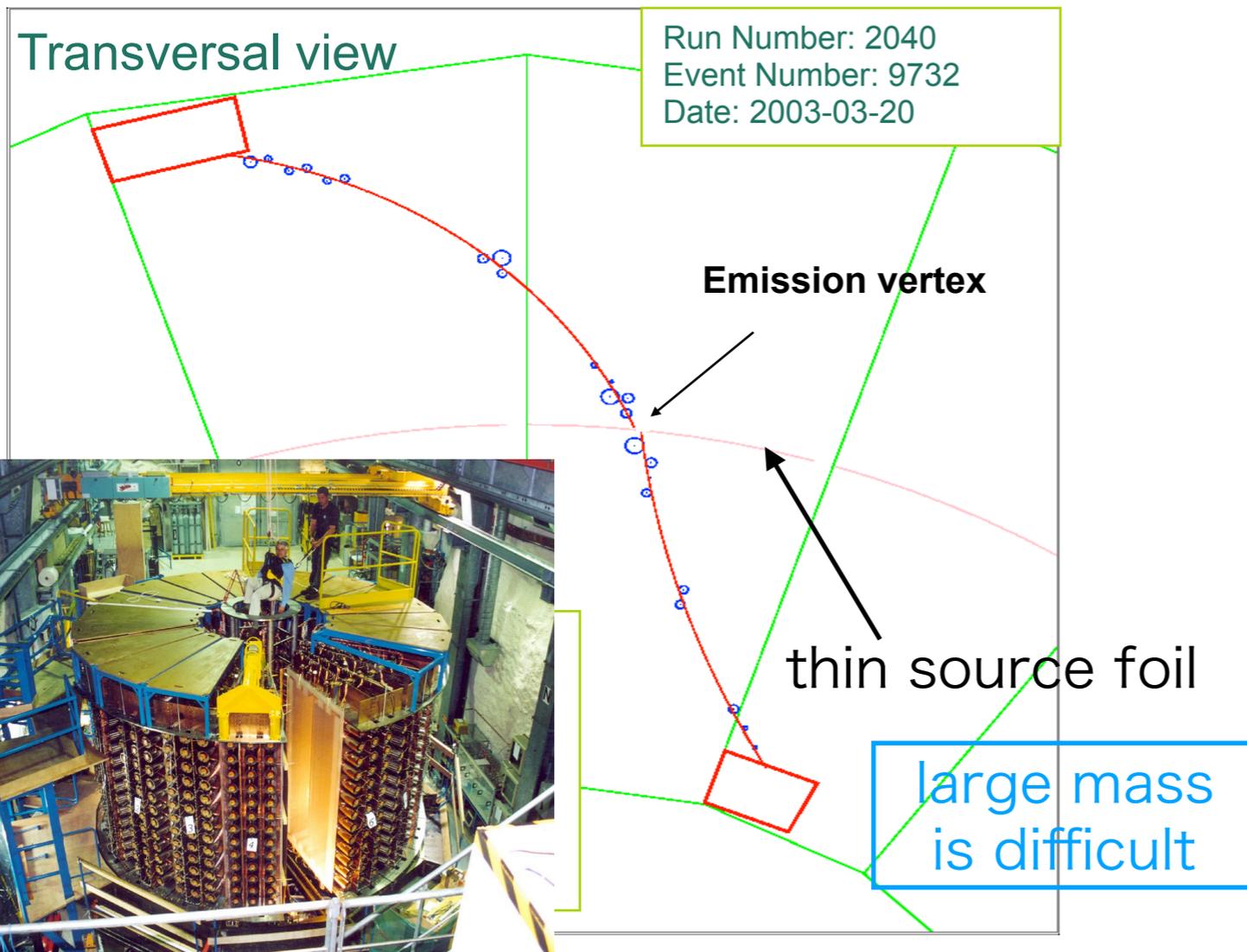
target sensitivity:  $10^{27}$  yr, 17~41 meV

**Enrichment is not necessary.**

Negligible spallation BGs. (deep site)

# NEMO-3 → SuperNEMO

Angular distribution is important to understand physics behind.



Many different nuclei have been measured.

$^{100}\text{Mo}$ ,  $^{82}\text{Se}$ ,  $^{150}\text{Nd}$ ,  $^{130}\text{Te}$ ,  
 $^{96}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{116}\text{Cd}$

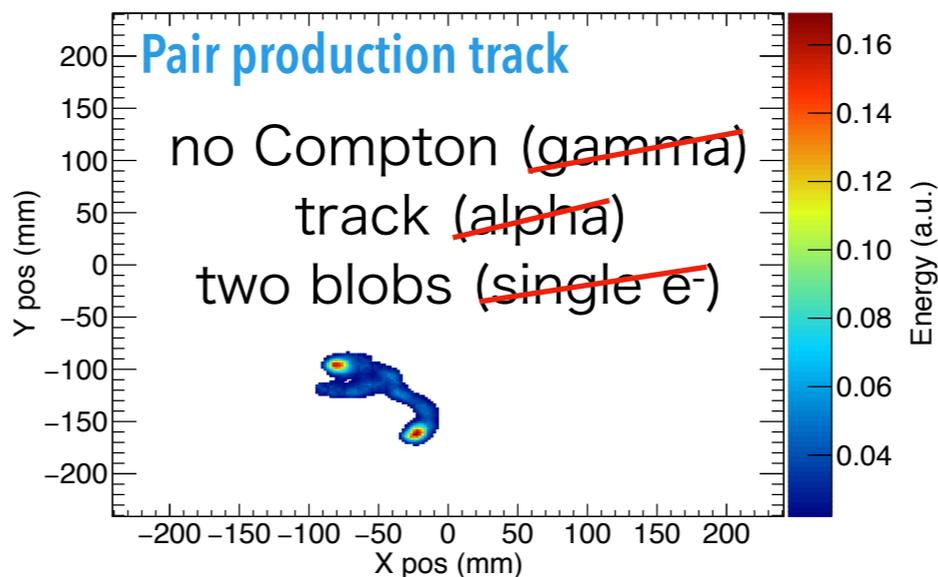
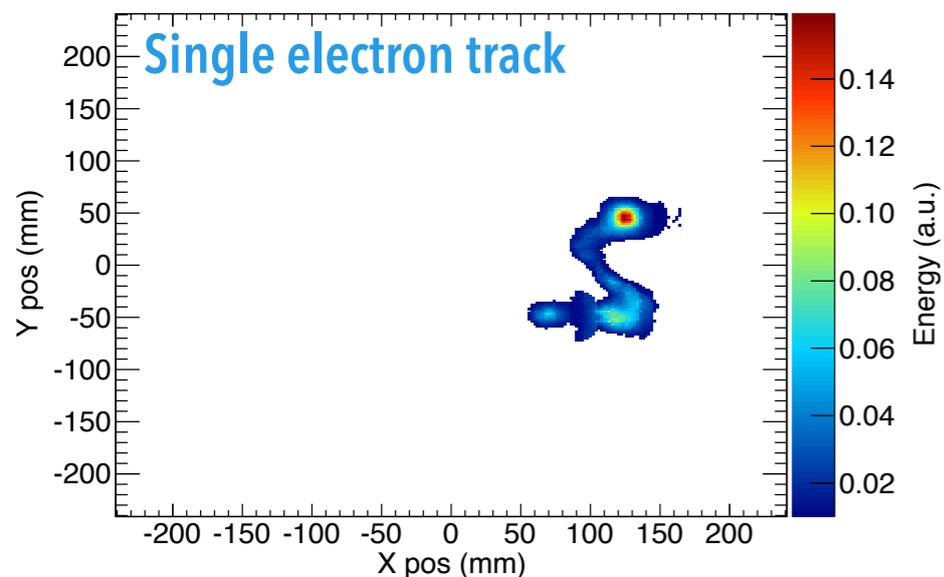
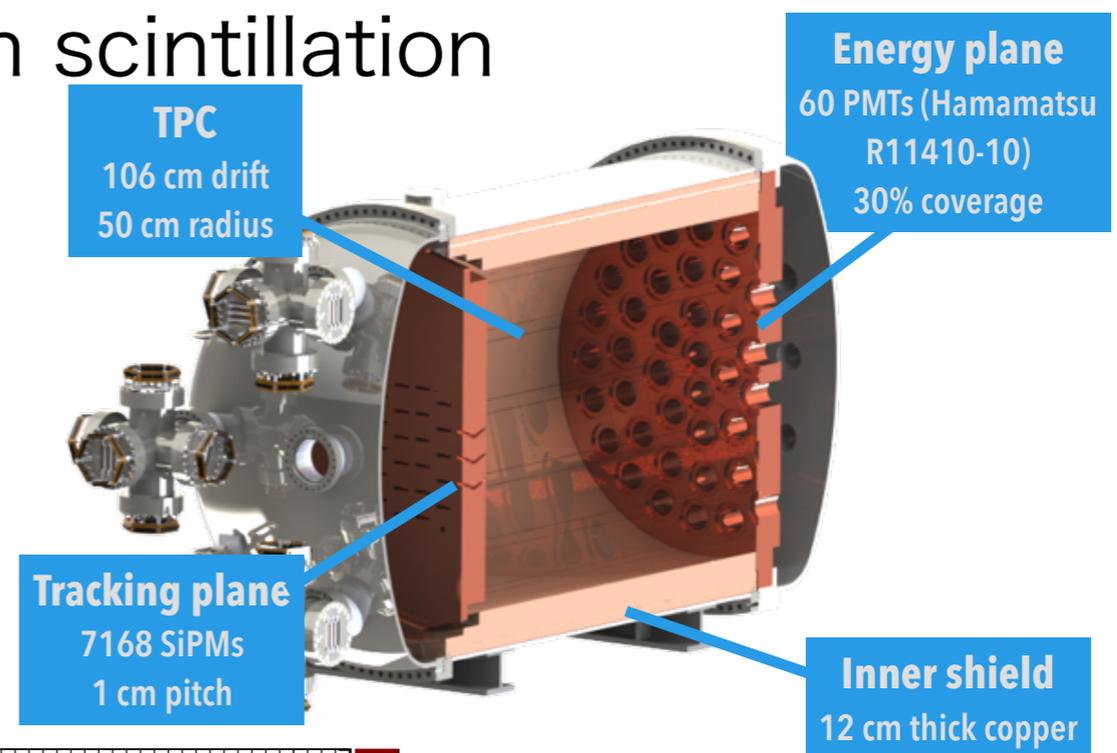
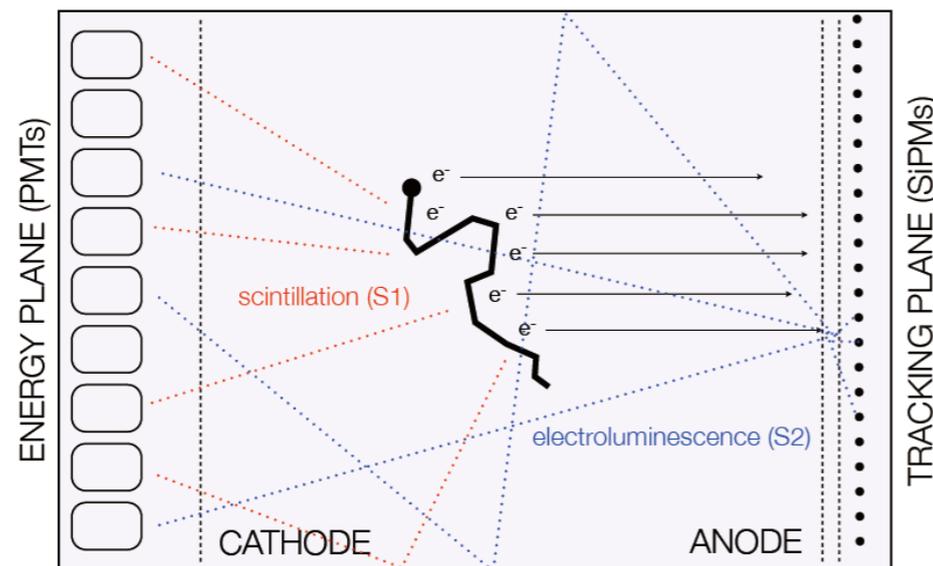
$T_{1/2} > 1 \times 10^{24}$  y (7kg)  
 $m > 0.47 \sim 0.96$  eV

Expected sensitivity of SuperNEMO  
 50~100 meV (5 y, 100 kg  $^{82}\text{Se}$ )

Once  $0\nu 2\beta$  is found, this type of experiment becomes very important.

# NEXT-100 → NEXT-1.5k

High pressure xenon gas TPC with scintillation



Single electron/  
gamma / alpha can  
be discriminated.

External gamma need to be suppressed.  
Large mass requires huge detector.  
Angular distribution will be difficult.

NEXT-100 will start by the end of 2018 with sensitivity of  $5 \times 10^{25}$  yrs in 3yrs, 90-180 meV.

# EXO-200 → nEXO

liquid xenon TPC with scintillation

Xenon amount 200 kg (80% enrichment)

→ 5t in nEXO

No track information, but **multi-site vs single-site** separation very efficient to reduce Compton BG.

arXiv:1707.08707

current EXO-200 result

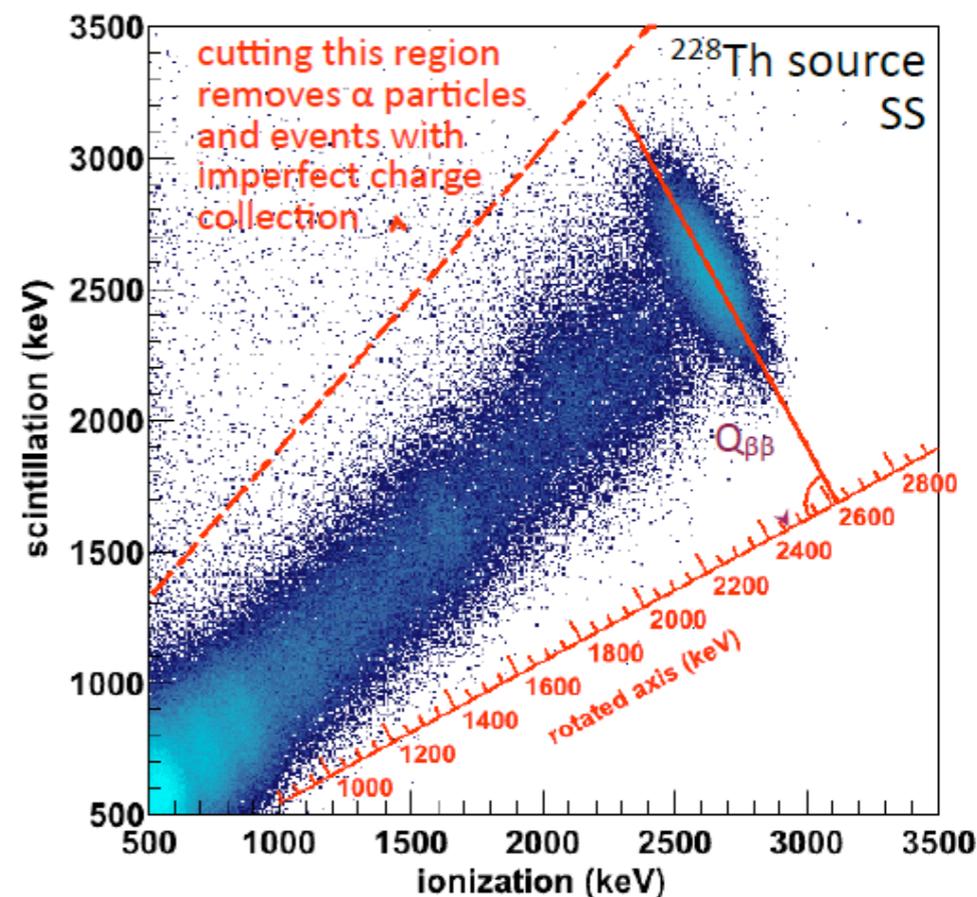
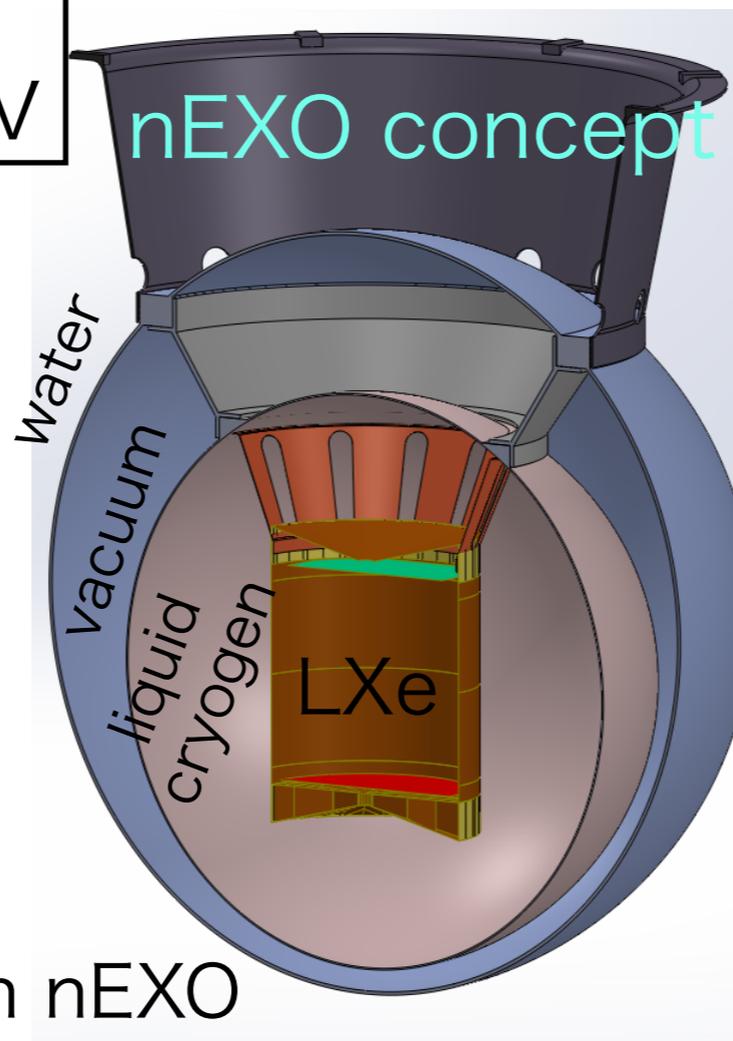
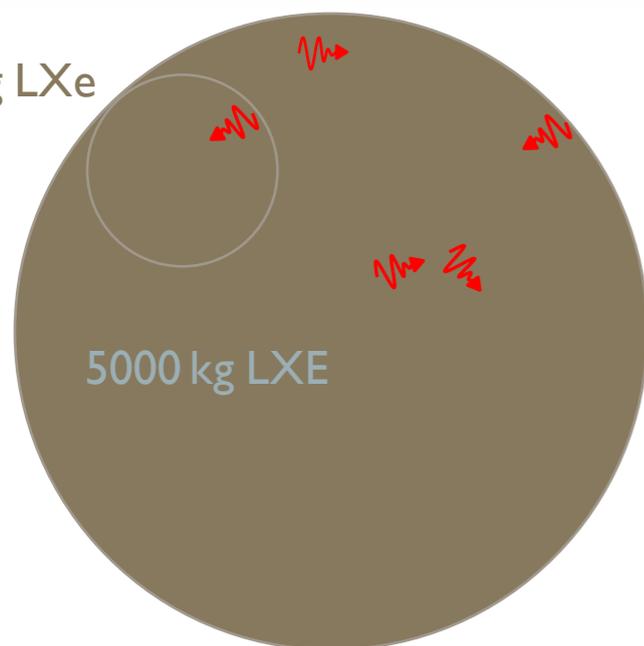
$$T_{1/2} > 1.8 \times 10^{25} \text{ y}$$

$$m < 147 \sim 398 \text{ meV}$$

nEXO concept

2.5 MeV  $\gamma$ -ray attenuation length

150 kg LXe



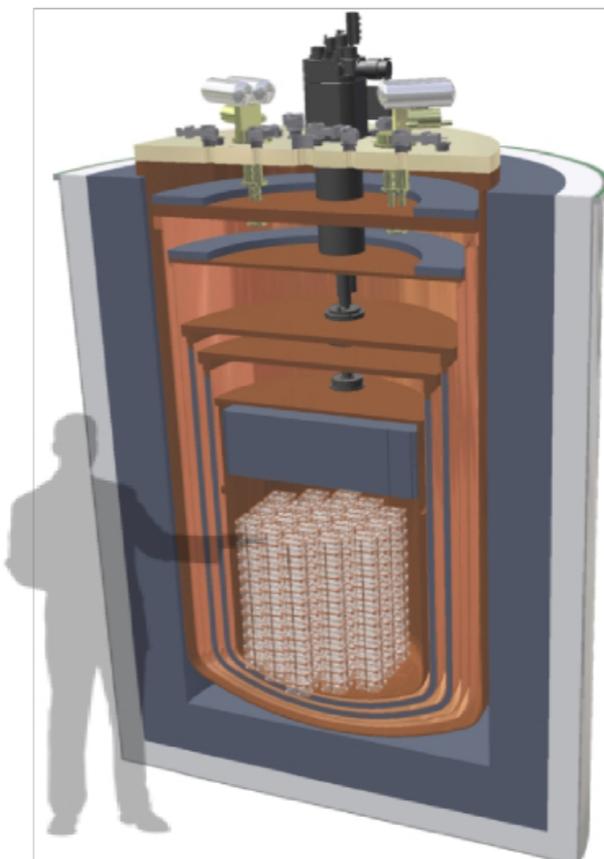
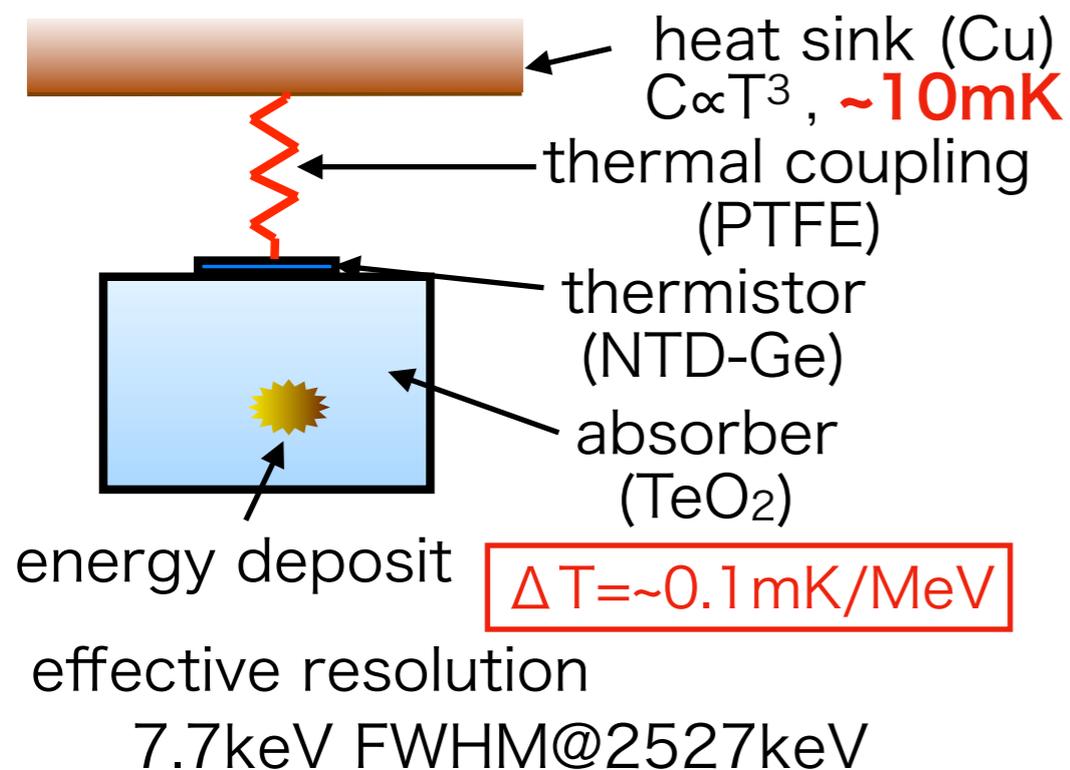
Correlation of ionization & scintillation provides good enough energy resolution.

$$\sim 1.2\% / \sqrt{E} \text{ (200 phase II)}$$

nEXO target  
 $9.2 \times 10^{27} \text{ y}$  (10y)  
6~18 meV

powerful self-shielding in nEXO

# CUORE → CUPID (CUORE Upgrade with Particle Identification)



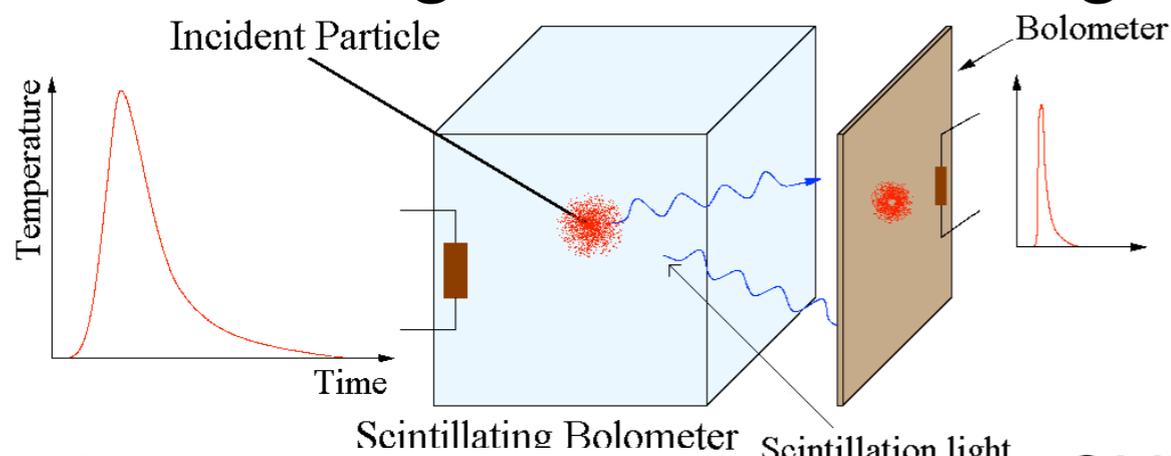
988 detectors  
 741 kg of  $\text{TeO}_2$   
 204 kg of  $^{130}\text{Te}$

current CUORE result  
 PRL 120, 132051 (2018)

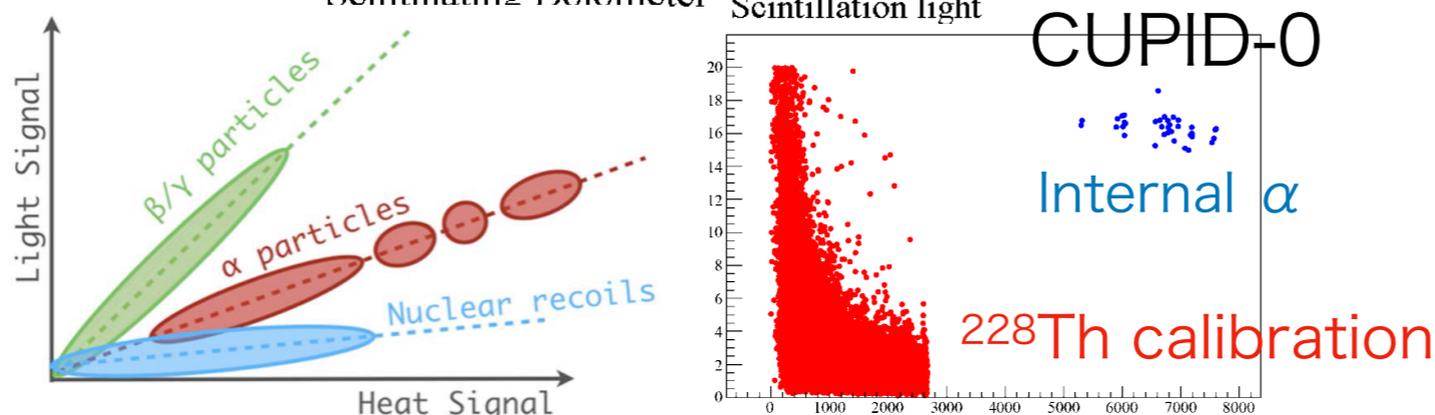
$T_{1/2} > 1.5 \times 10^{25}$  yr (90%)

$m_{ee} < 110 \sim 520$  meV

## Scintillating bolometer brings PID



Unfortunately,  
 $\text{TeO}_2$  doesn't scintillate.  
 There are other candidates;  
 $\text{Zn}^{82}\text{Se}$ ,  $\text{Zn}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ ,  $^{116}\text{CdWO}_4$



Target sensitivity

$\text{Zn}^{82}\text{Se}$  case (335kg  $^{82}\text{Se}$ )

$T_{1/2} > 4.2 \times 10^{27}$  yrs (10y)

$m_{ee} < 6-19$  meV

# GERDA, Majorana → LEGEND

Large Enriched Germanium Experiment for Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay



810  
scintillator  
fibers coupled  
to 90 SiPMs

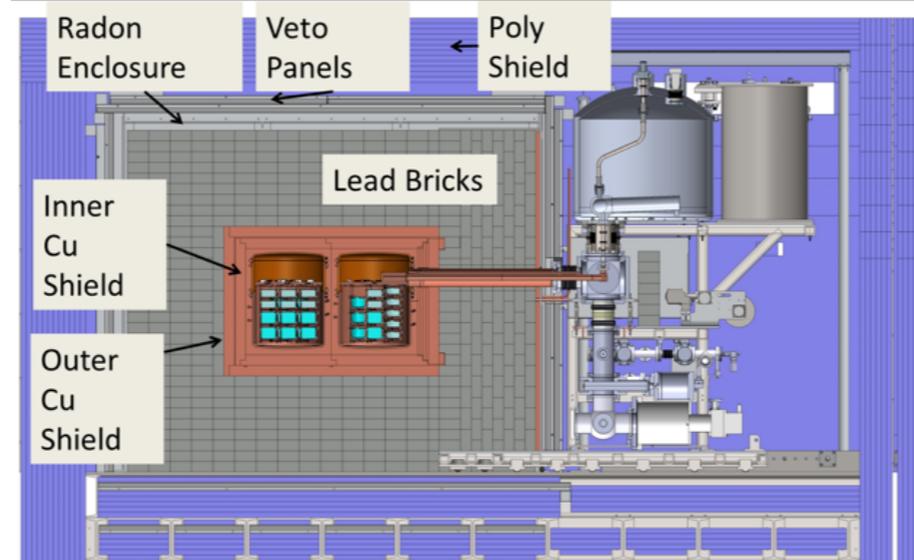
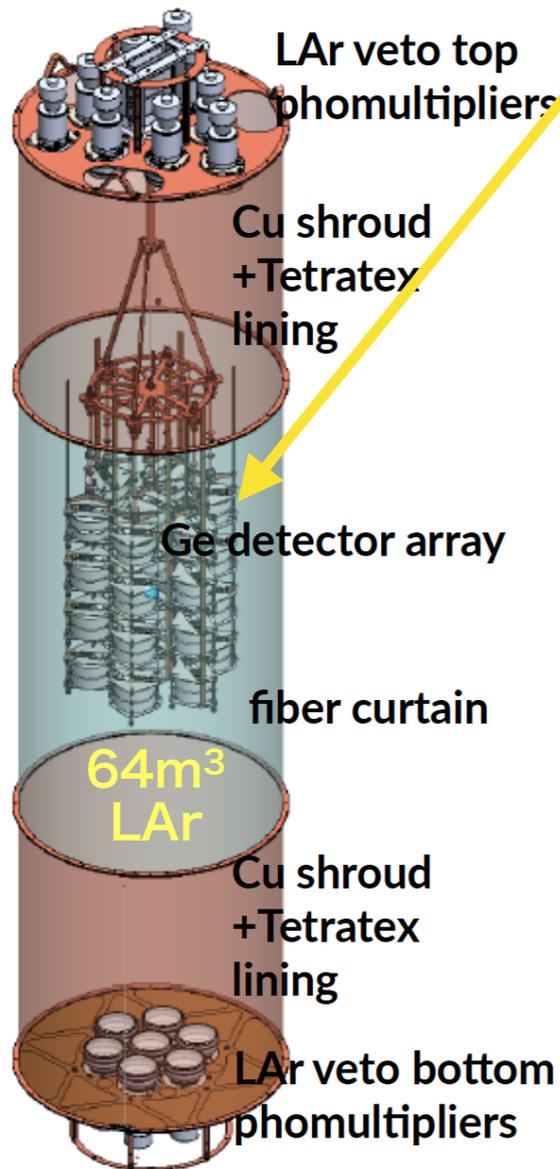
GERDA Phase II result  
PRL 120, 132503 (2018)  
 $T_{1/2} > 8.0 \times 10^{25}$  yrs (90%)  
 $m_{ee} < 120\text{--}260\text{meV}$

GERDA uses liquid argon active veto.

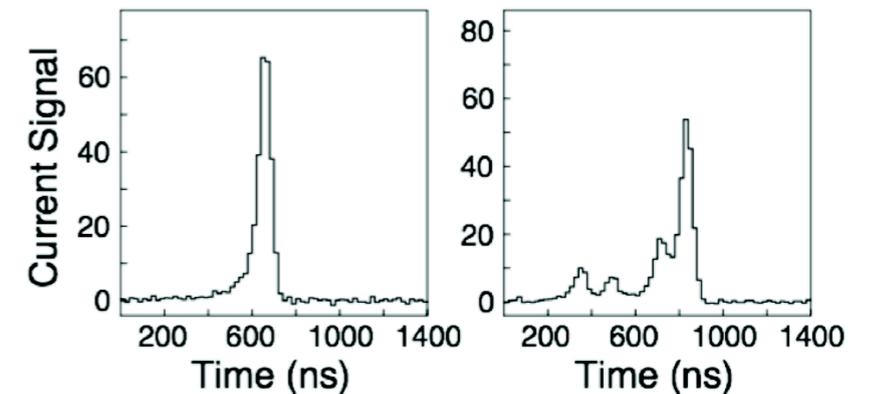
35.8kg enriched + 7.6 kg natural Ge **3keV FWHM@2039keV**

Majorana (demo.) uses better signal processing.

12.9kg enriched + 8.8 kg natural Ge



single-site vs multi-site



LEGEND combines them.

Phase I (200kg) starts by 2021 using GERDA infrastructure.

Phase I target sensitivity,  $T_{1/2} > 10^{28}$  yrs,  $m_{ee} < 10\text{--}20\text{meV}$

# Score sheet with a personal naive consideration

technology	nuclei	active shielding	minimum insensitive region	in-situ purification, on/off meas.	solar CC	solar ES	exposure × phase space	
semiconductor	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	immersed in liquid Argon	○	×	○	○	×	
liquid TPC	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	self shielding	△	○	○ with MSE	△ with enrich.	△	
gas TPC	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	outer detector	×	○	○ with MSE	○ with 2 brobs	××	
bolometer	$^{130}\text{Te}$	outer detector	×	×	○	○	×	
	$^{100}\text{Mo}$	outer detector	×	×	○	○	×	
	$^{48}\text{Ca}$	outer detector	×	×	-	○	×	
Tracking	except for Xe		△	△ switch foil	○	○	××	rich physics

# Summary

- $0\nu 2\beta$  searches are connected with big mysteries of the Universe.
  - The current world best limit is from KamLAND-Zen 400.  
 $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < (61 - 165) \text{ meV}$  PRL117, 082503
  - “Advantages of using KamLAND” has been all validated.
  - KamLAND-Zen 800 (40meV) successfully launched and R&D for KamLAND2-Zen (below 20 meV) is going well.
  - Full coverage of IH seems to be secured with various approaches.
  - Reaching NH (below 5meV) is still very challenging. Required hundreds tons of DBD nuclei may be achieved by  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  (centrifugal) or  $^{130}\text{Te}$  (natural). Homogeneous self-shielding detector without inactive region and with high energy resolution will be preferred.
    - nEXO is such structure (but small).
    - DARWIN (dark matter search) plans 40t LXe TPC (still small).
    - DUNE (LBNE) plans 70kt LAr TPC.
- Maybe, super-nEXO, <sup>enr</sup>DARWIN, DUNE-Xe reach NH? Let's dream!