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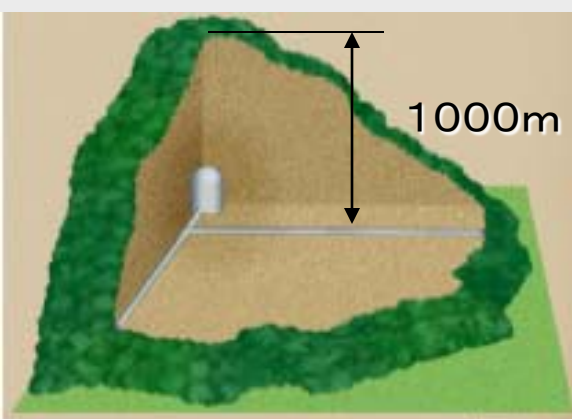
KamLAND double beta decay experiment using ^{136}Xe (KamLAND-Zen)

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KamLAND

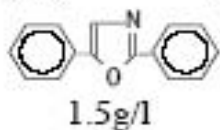
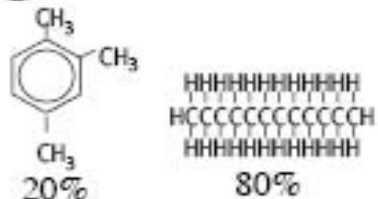


BO

50% dodecane
50% isoparaffin

$$\frac{\rho_{LS}}{\rho_{BO}} = 1.0004$$

LS

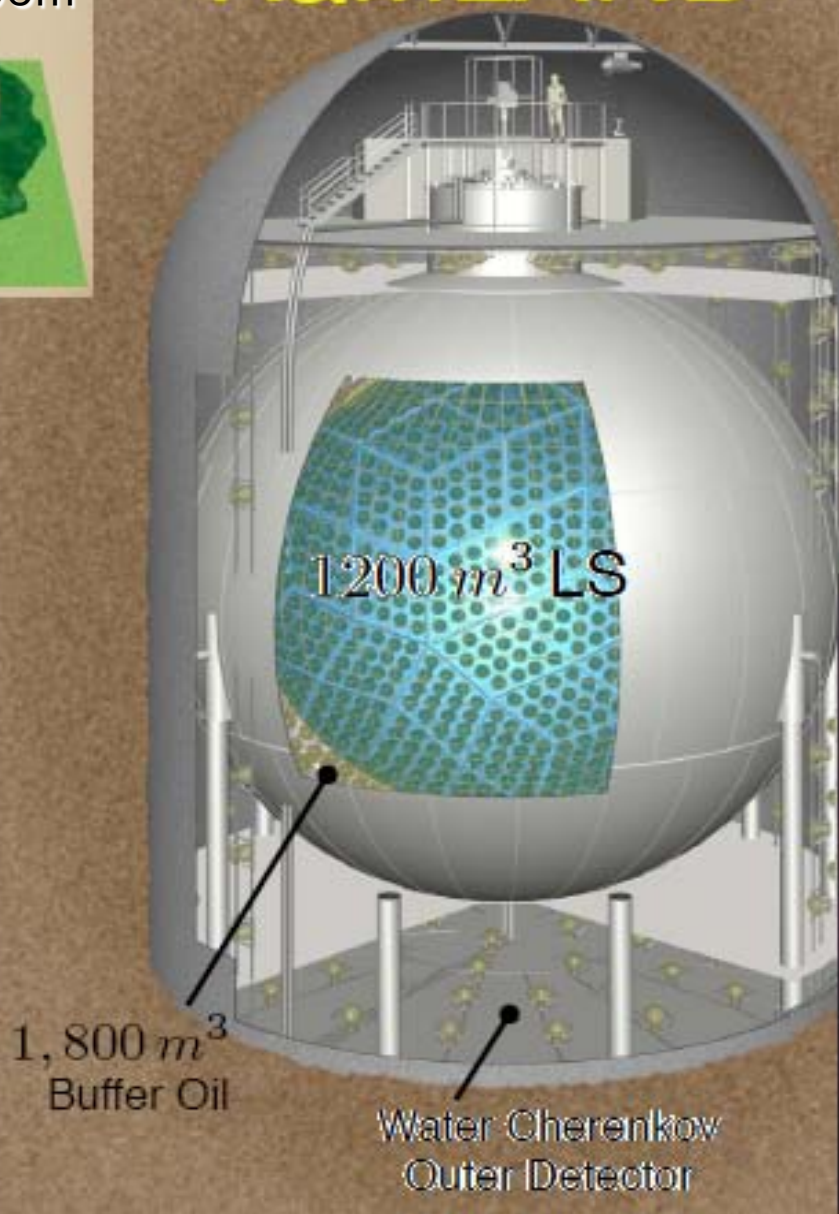


$$\rho = 0.78g/cm^3$$

8,000 photons/MeV

$$\lambda \sim 10m$$

34% photo-coverage
with
1325 17" and 554 20"
photo-tubes



Summary of KamLAND

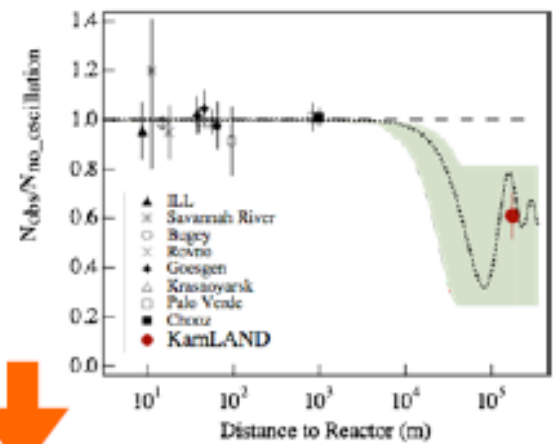
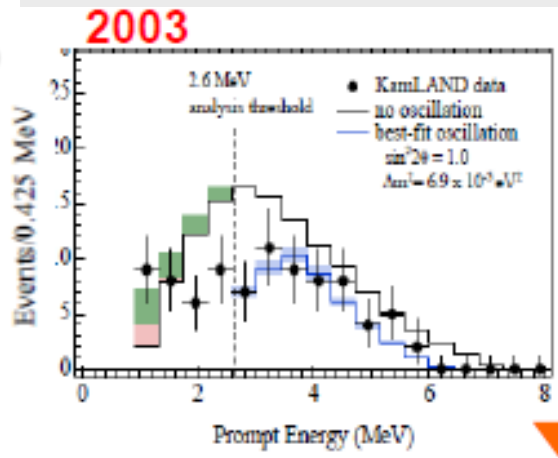
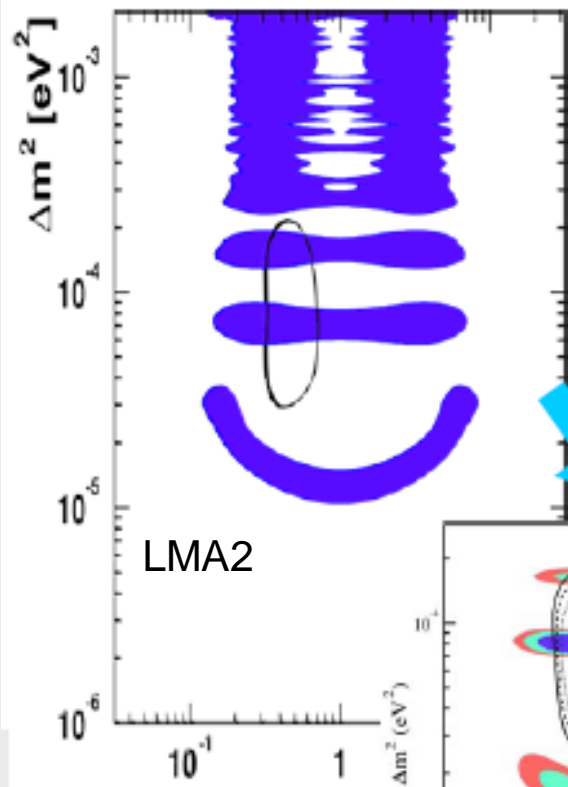
- 1998-2001: construction
- 2002: data-taking start
- We got some results
 - reactor anti-neutrino observation
 - neutrino deficit at ~175km base
 - spectral distortion
 - precise oscillation parameters measurement

KamLAND only $\tan^2\theta = 0.56^{+0.14}_{-0.09}$ $\Delta m^2 = 7.58^{+0.21}_{-0.20} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

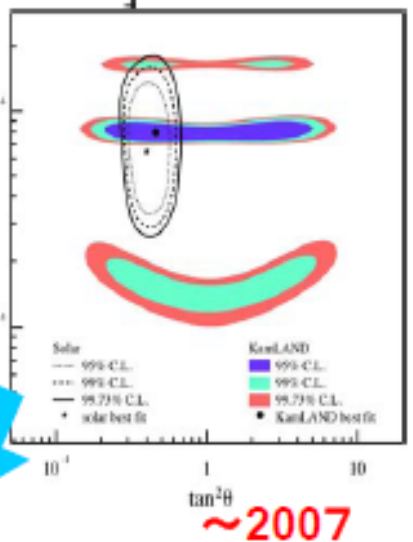
KamLAND + SNO $\tan^2\theta = 0.49^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$ $\Delta m^2 = 7.59^{+0.20}_{-0.21} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

- Geo neutrino detection
- 2009~: KamLAND is running for ^7Be solar neutrino observation after the LS distillation
- 2011~: Xe phase

Reactor Anti-Neutrino

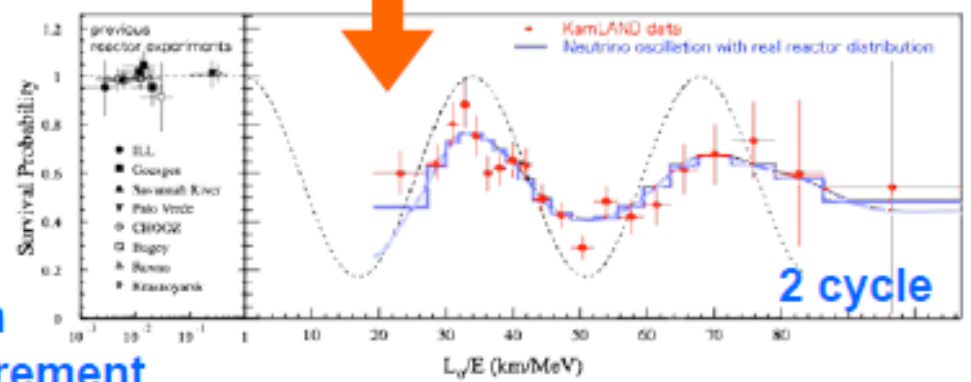
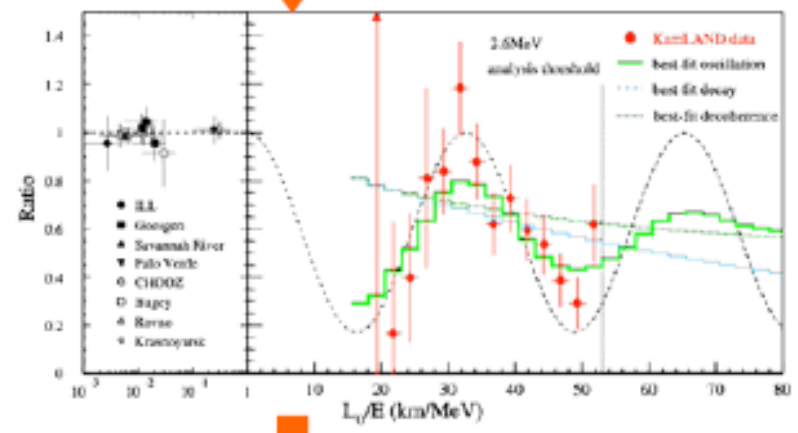


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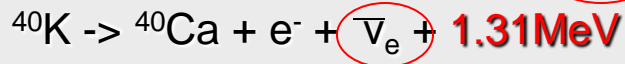
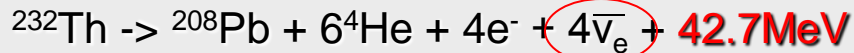
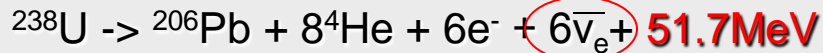
~2007

Precise oscillation
Parameter measurement



Geo Neutrino observation

Radio active nuclei produce heat



Terrestrial heat flow 31~44TW

Contribution of radioactive nuclei **~20TW**
 (U series 8TW / Th series 8TW / ^{40}K 4TW)
 from Crust + Mantle
 -- based on Chondrite model (BSE model)

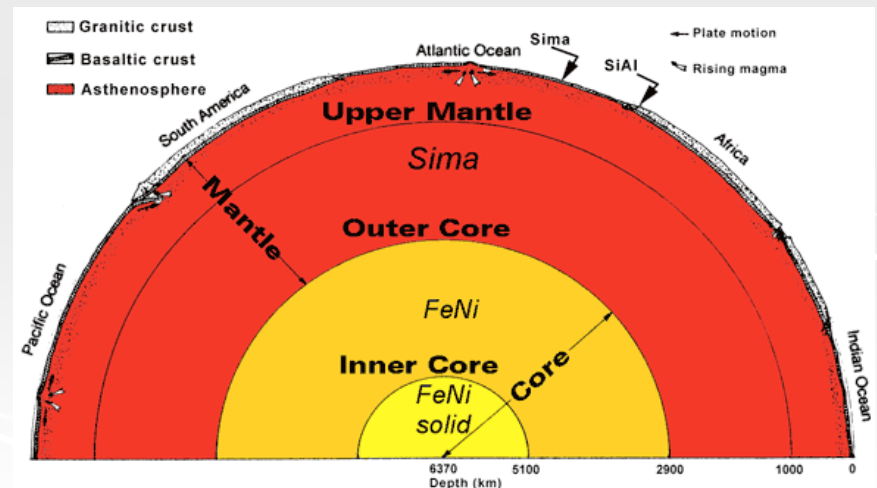
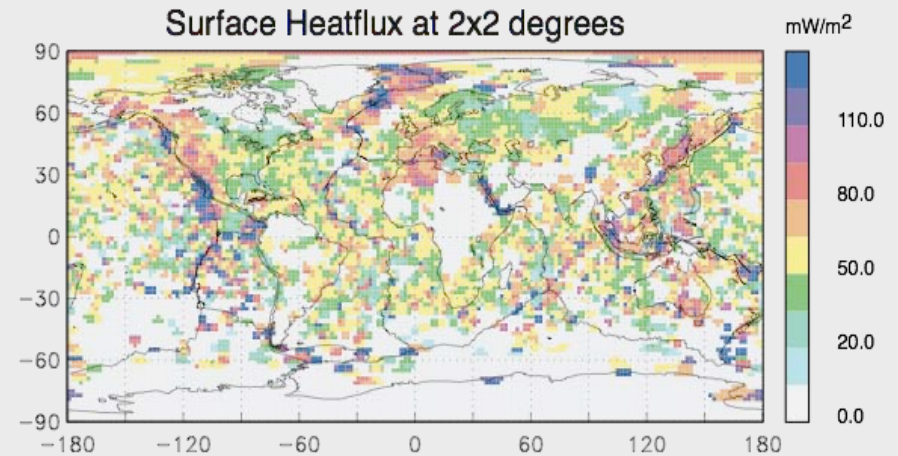
Upper crust of land

U: 2.8ppm / Th: 10.7ppm

Rudnick et al (1995)

No radiogenic heat from the core

Th/U ratio ~3.7



Geo Neutrino observation

➤ preliminary result (K.Inoue, Neutrino2010)

data set : March 9, 2002 ~ November 4, 2009

total exposure: 3.49×10^{32} target-proton-years

841 candidates in 0.9 - 2.6 MeV

BG total 729.4 ± 32.3

reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ 484.7 ± 26.5

$^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)^{16}\text{O}$ 165.3 ± 18.2

accidental 77.4 ± 0.1

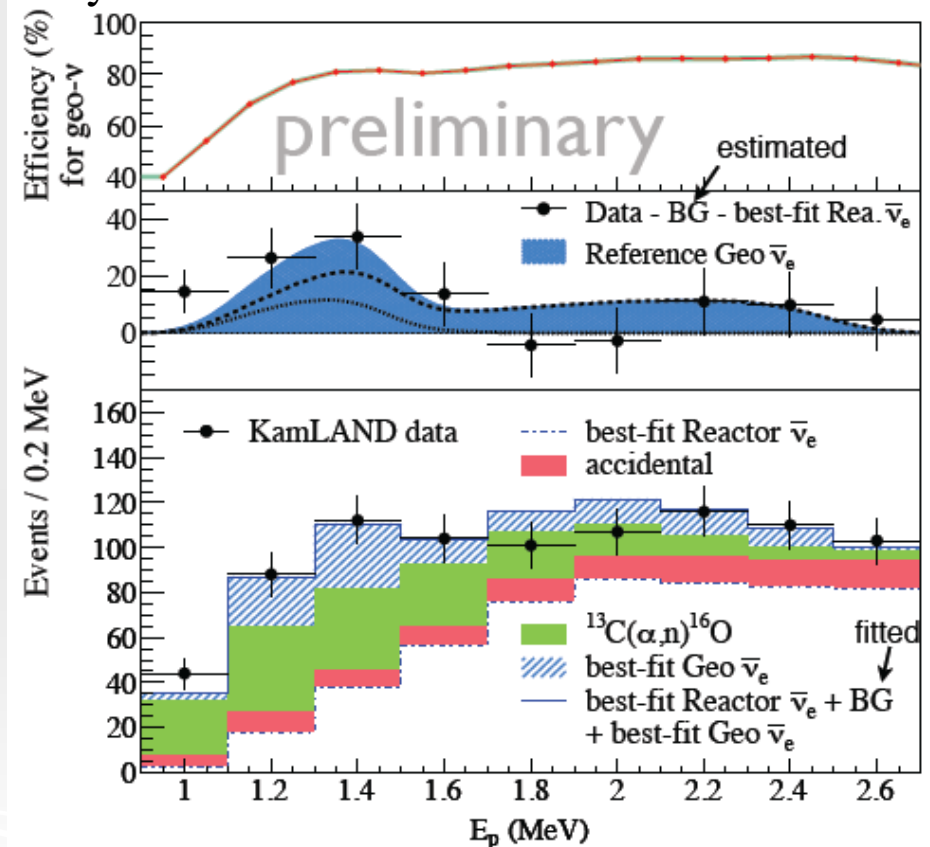
^9Li 2.0 ± 0.1

atm. ν + fast n < 2.8

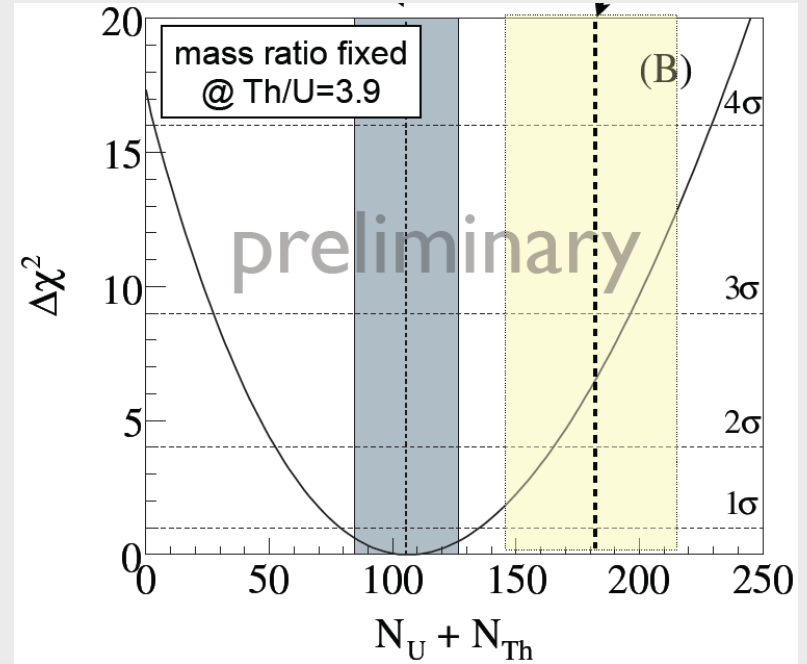
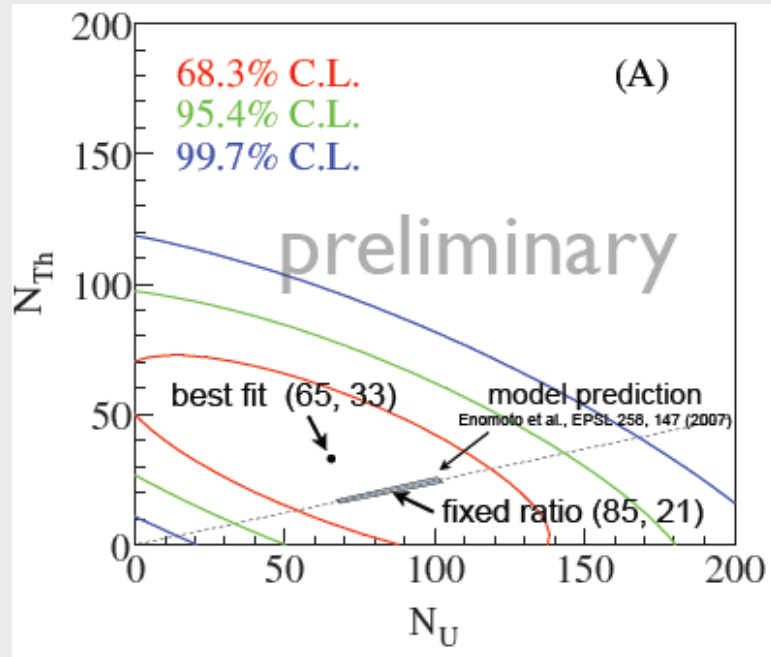
rate - only analysis 111^{+45}_{-43} events

Null signal exclusion 99.55%

(rate - only hypothesis test)



Rate-Shape-time analysis



0 signal is rejected at **99.997%CL.**($>4\sigma$)
(rate-shape-time $\Delta\chi^2$)

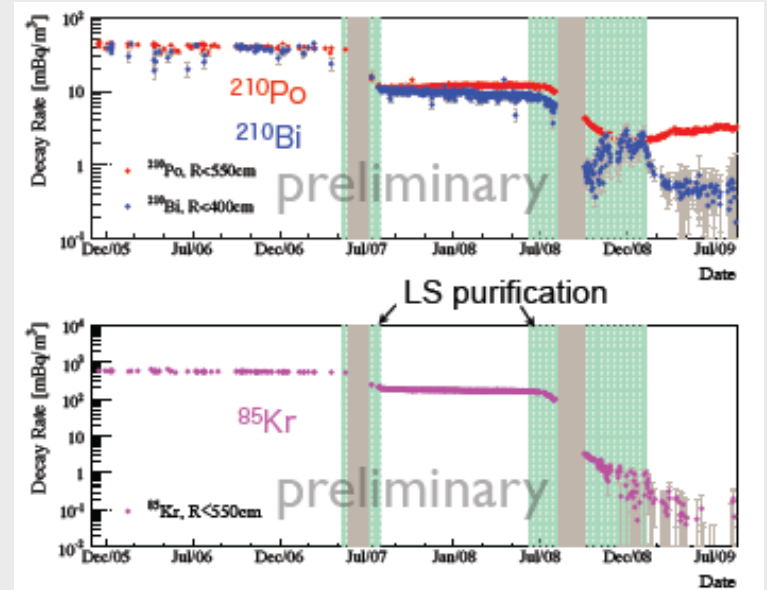
of geo-v events 106_{-28}^{+29}
 $4.3_{-1.1}^{+1.2} \times 10^6$ /cm²/sec
 $38.3_{-9.9}^{+10.3}$ TNU

corresponds to 16TW (for U+Th)

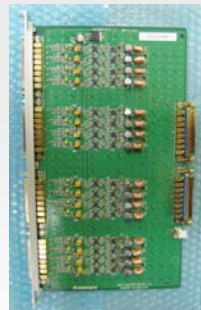
Consistent with the model prediction

^7Be neutrino observation

LS was purified by the distillation system
(2007 and 2008)



Installed new electronics – for $^{13}\text{C}(\alpha,n)$ background reduction (on going)



Data-taking continue (to March 2011)

KamLAND Zen experiment

(KamLAND zero neutrino Double Beta decay)

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Advantage for $\beta\beta$ experiment on KamLAND

➤ KamLAND has

huge volume: 1,200m³ Liquid Scintillator

Ultra low radioactivity

Low threshold : (It will be E_{th} = few 100keV)

established distillation technique

experience of balloon development

new electronics (from 2009)

much advantage for $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment !

➤ Disadvantage

Current Energy Resolution:

$$\Delta E = \frac{6.2\%}{\sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}} \quad (34\% \text{ photo coverage})$$

This is enough on earlier stage !

KamLAND-Zen project

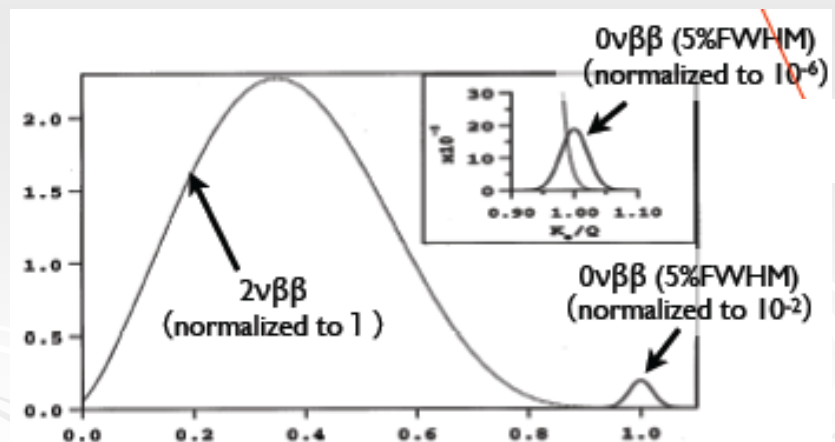
Merit of using ^{136}Xe on KamLAND

Nucleas	$T^{0\nu}_{1/2}$ (50 meV)	$T^{2\nu}_{1/2}$ measured (year)	Nat.Abundane (%)	Q-value (keV)
$^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba}$	4.55×10^{26}	$>10^{22}$	8.9	2476

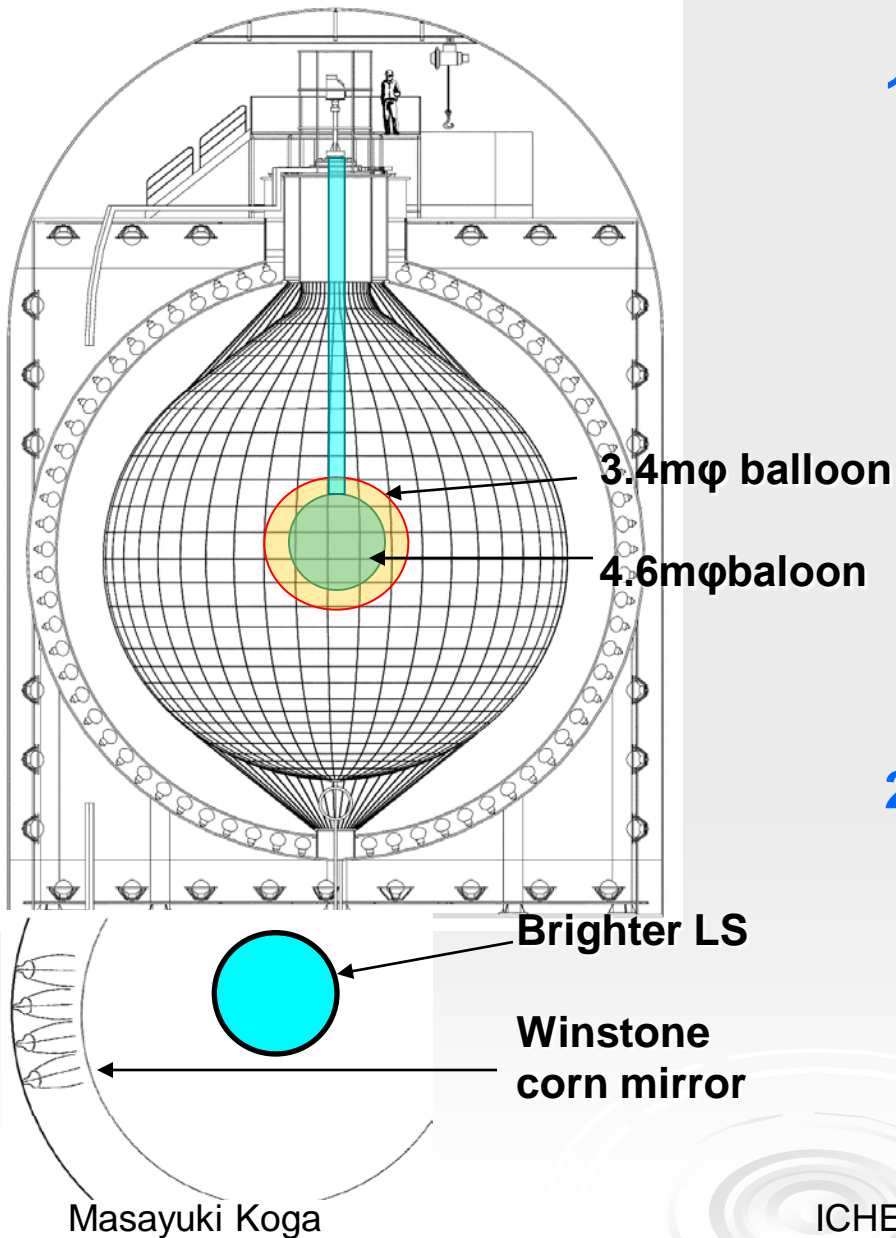
Rodin et al., Nucl. Phys. A793 (2007)213-215

- Available the Isotopic enrichment (>90%)
- purification method was established
- solubility to LS > 3%, easy extracted
- slow $2\nu\beta\beta$ ($T^{2\nu}_{1/2} > 10^{22}$ years)
- small $T^{0\nu}/T^{2\nu}$ ratio

* basic idea by R.S.Raghavan
Phys. Rev.Lett.72 (1994)



KamLAND-Zen project



1st phase enriched Xe 400kg

R=1.7m balloon

V=20.5m³, S=36.3m²

LS : C10H22(81.8%)+PC(18%)
+PPO+Xe(~2.5wt%)

ρLS : 0.78kg/ℓ

high sensitivity with low cost



tank opening (2013 or 2015)

2nd phase enriched Xe 1000kg

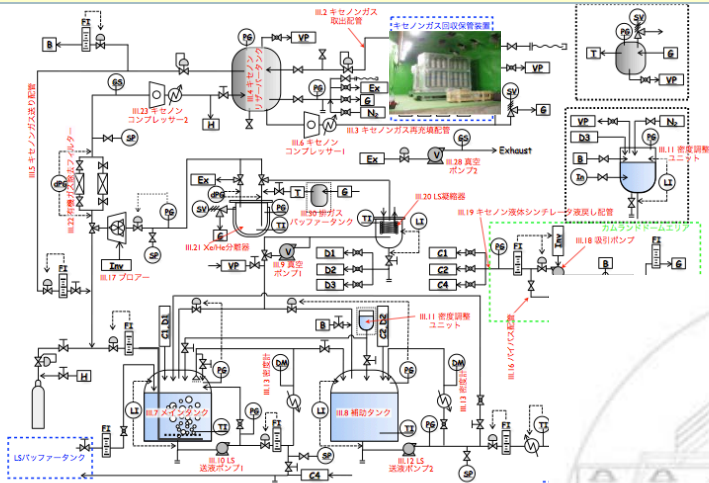
R=2.3m balloon

V=51.3m³, S=66.7m²

improvement of energy resolution
(brighter LS, higher light concentrator)

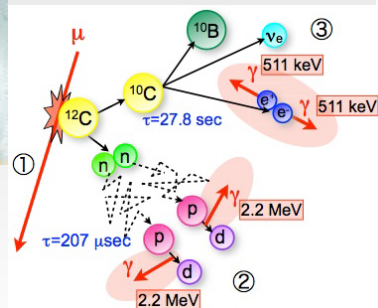
Developments of system for 400kg Xe phase

1. Xe gas loading/ extraction system



System will be ready in December 2010

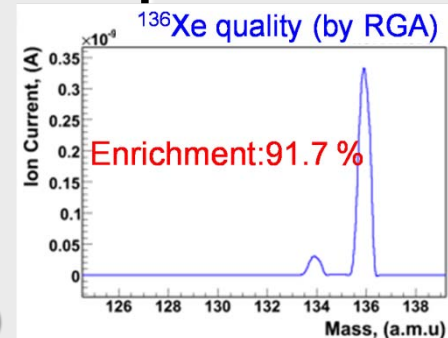
2. New electronics - MOGURA



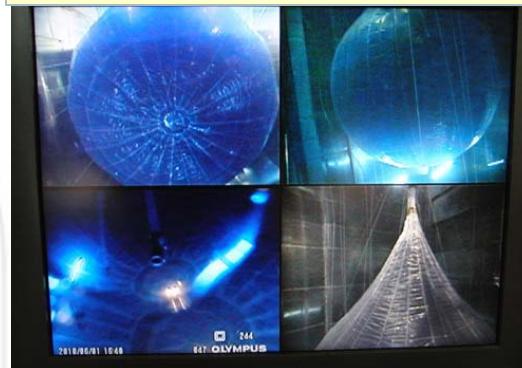
For BG reduction using tagging. Installed in 2009.

3. Enriched Xe

- We have 190kg 90% enriched Xe gas
- Purchase 210kg more to March 2011 (400kg total)



4. Mini Balloon $\Phi 3.4\text{m}$



Handling and pressurized test by water ($80\mu\text{m}$ film, June 2010)

More R&D

- ultra low contamination films U/Th/ ^{40}K $\sim 10^{-13}\text{g/g}$
- more thin film $\sim 25\mu\text{m}$

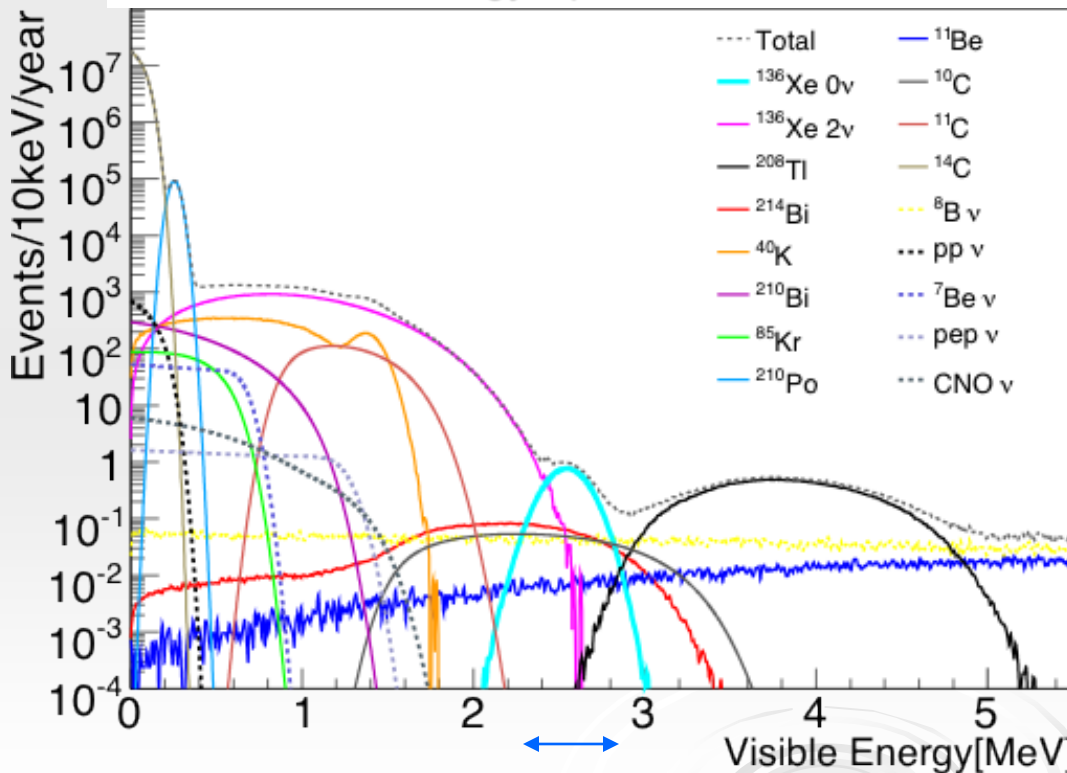
MIB will be delivered to March 2011

Background study using KamLAND MC (GEANT4)

Major BG

- (1). $^{136}\text{Xe } 2\nu\beta\beta$
- (2). spallation isotopes : ^{10}C , ^{11}Be => 1/10 using new electronics help
- (3). ^8B solar neutrinos <4.9 events/d/kton on KamLAND
- (4). from Mini Balloon (MIB) material : ^{208}Tl , ^{214}Bi => vertex cut,

Simulated Energy Spectrum at KamLAND



Assumed

- 400kg 90% enriched Xe loaded LS
- MIB contamination (^{238}U , ^{232}Th , 40K)
= (10-12, 10-12, 10-11)[g/g]
- neutrino effective mass $\langle m\nu \rangle$
= 150meV (the lower limit of the current claimed detection)
- $T_{1/2}(2\nu\beta\beta) > 10^{22}\text{y}$
- $T_{1/2}(0\nu\beta\beta) > 1.14 \times 10^{24}\text{y}$
- ^{10}C 90% tag, ^{214}Bi 66% tag

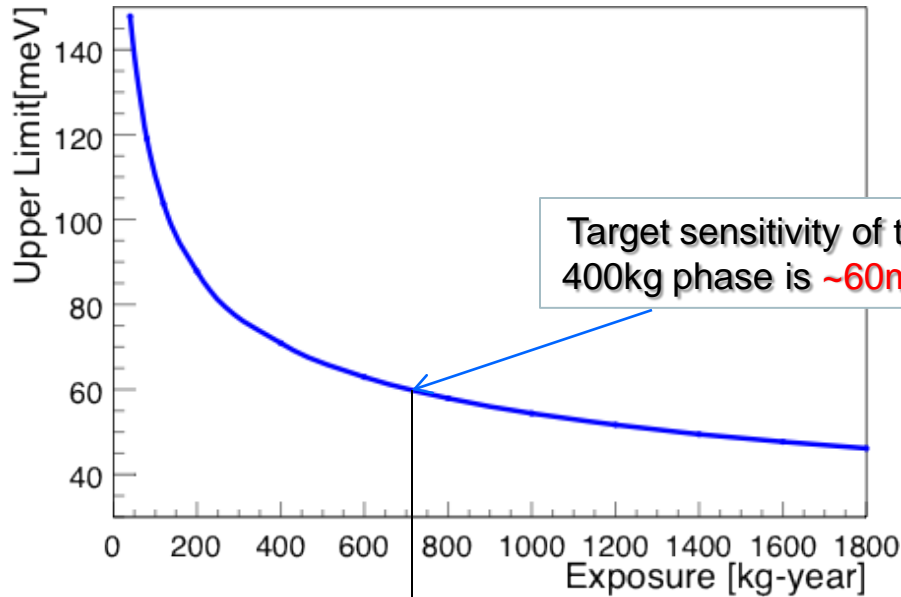
Summary of BG and signal in signal region

$^{136}\text{Xe } 2\nu$	^{208}Tl	^{214}Bi	^{10}C	^{11}Be	^8B	Total	$^{136}\text{Xe } 0\nu$
2.08	1.86×10^{-2}	2.40	3.09	0.26	1.52	9.35	18.08
± 0.15	$\pm 0.13 \times 10^{-2}$	± 0.01	± 0.01	± 0.01	± 0.03	± 0.23	± 0.02

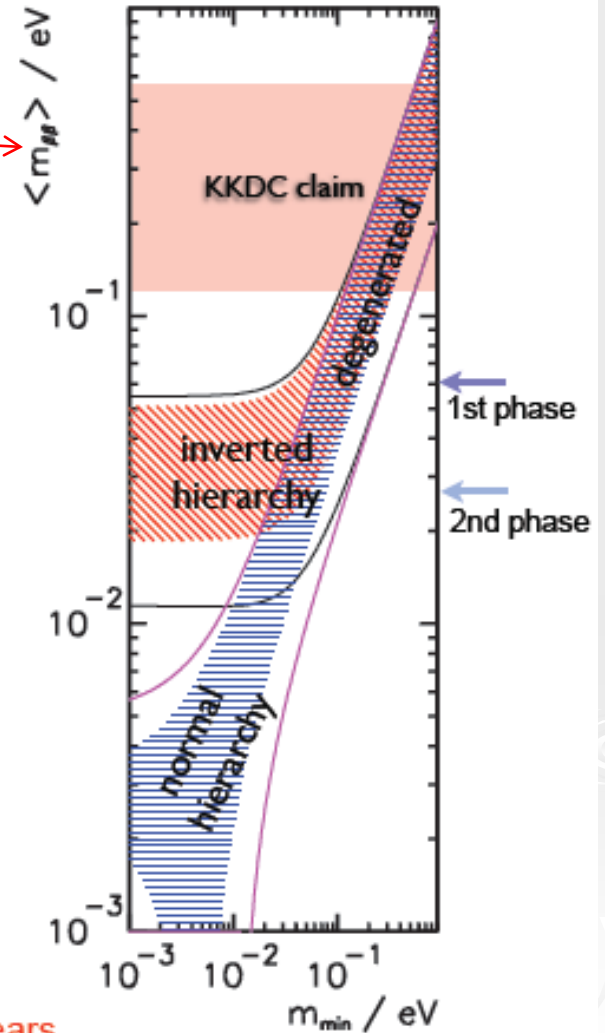
[events/year]

1st phase → KKDC claim, degenerated hierarchy

$$\begin{aligned} \text{observable} &= [T_{1/2}^{0\nu}] \\ &= G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2 |m_{\beta\beta}|^2 \end{aligned}$$



2 years on 100% fiducial vol. @90% enrichment



2nd phase → inverted hierarchy

Target sensitivity of the 2nd phase is $\sim 25\text{meV}$ with 5 years.

summary

- KamLAND is running for reactor, Geo, 7Be solar (to 2011)
- KamLAND have ability to do $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment
- KamLAND-Zen project will start using 400kg 90% enriched Xe from May 2011
- Target sensitivity on 400kg Phase $\sim 60\text{meV}$ @2years
- Planning Xe1000 phase (from 2013 or 2015: depend on funding)

Thank you!