

Prospects for Solar Neutrino Observation in KamLAND

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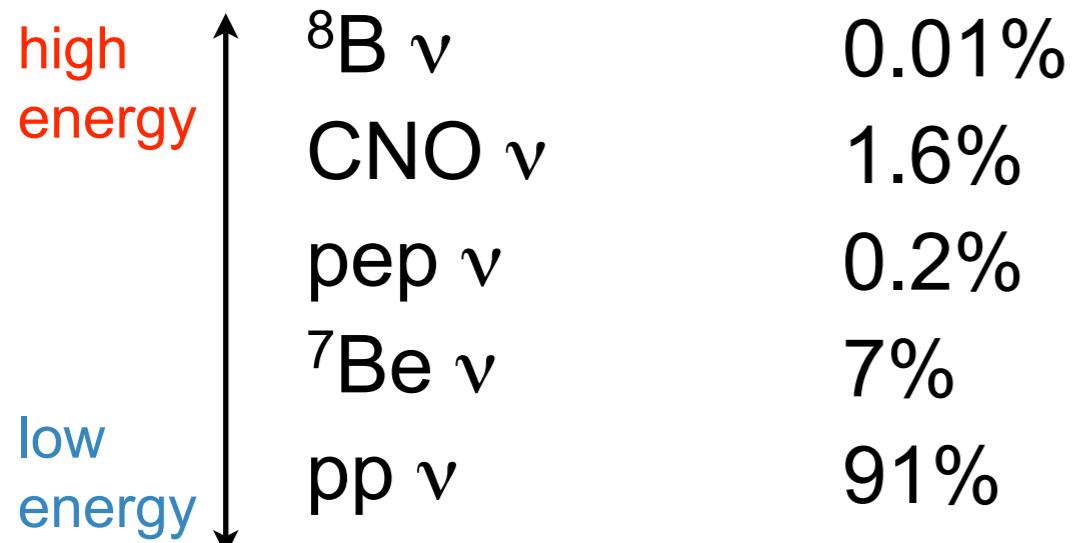
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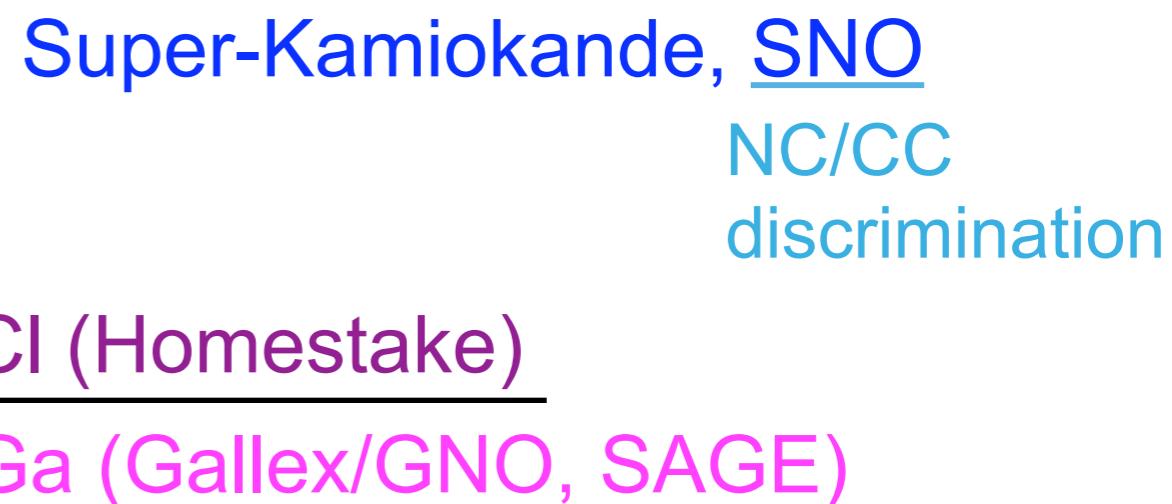
Solar Neutrinos : Prediction and Measurement

Prediction

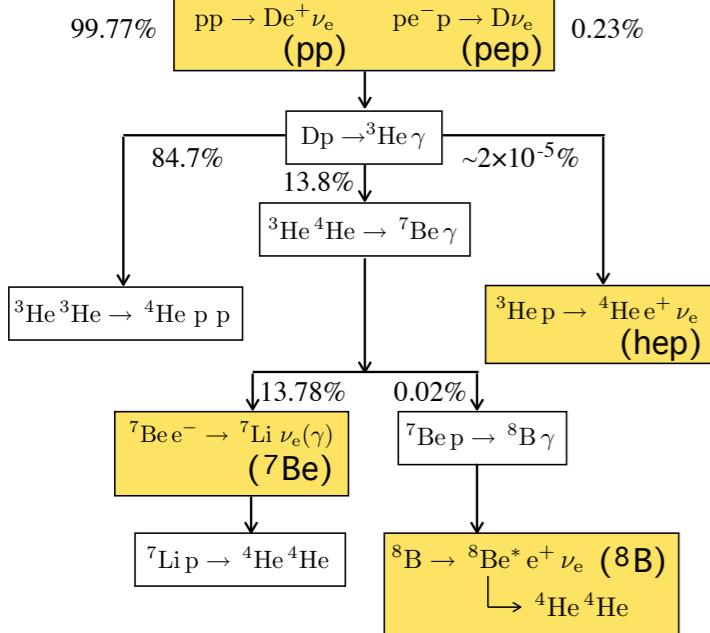
SSM (Standard Solar Model)



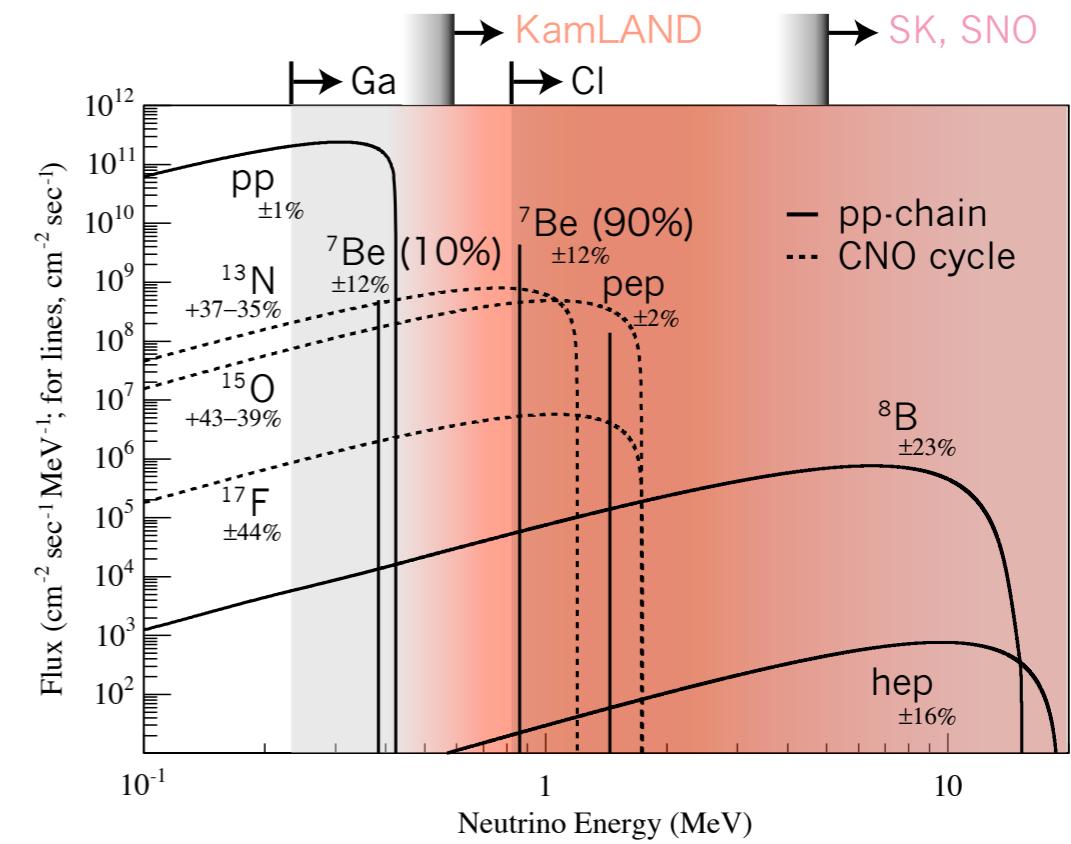
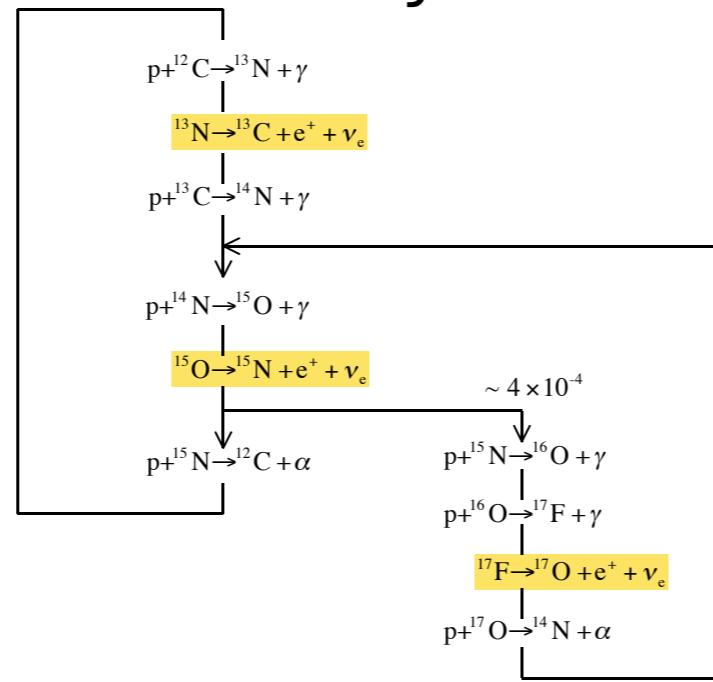
Measurement



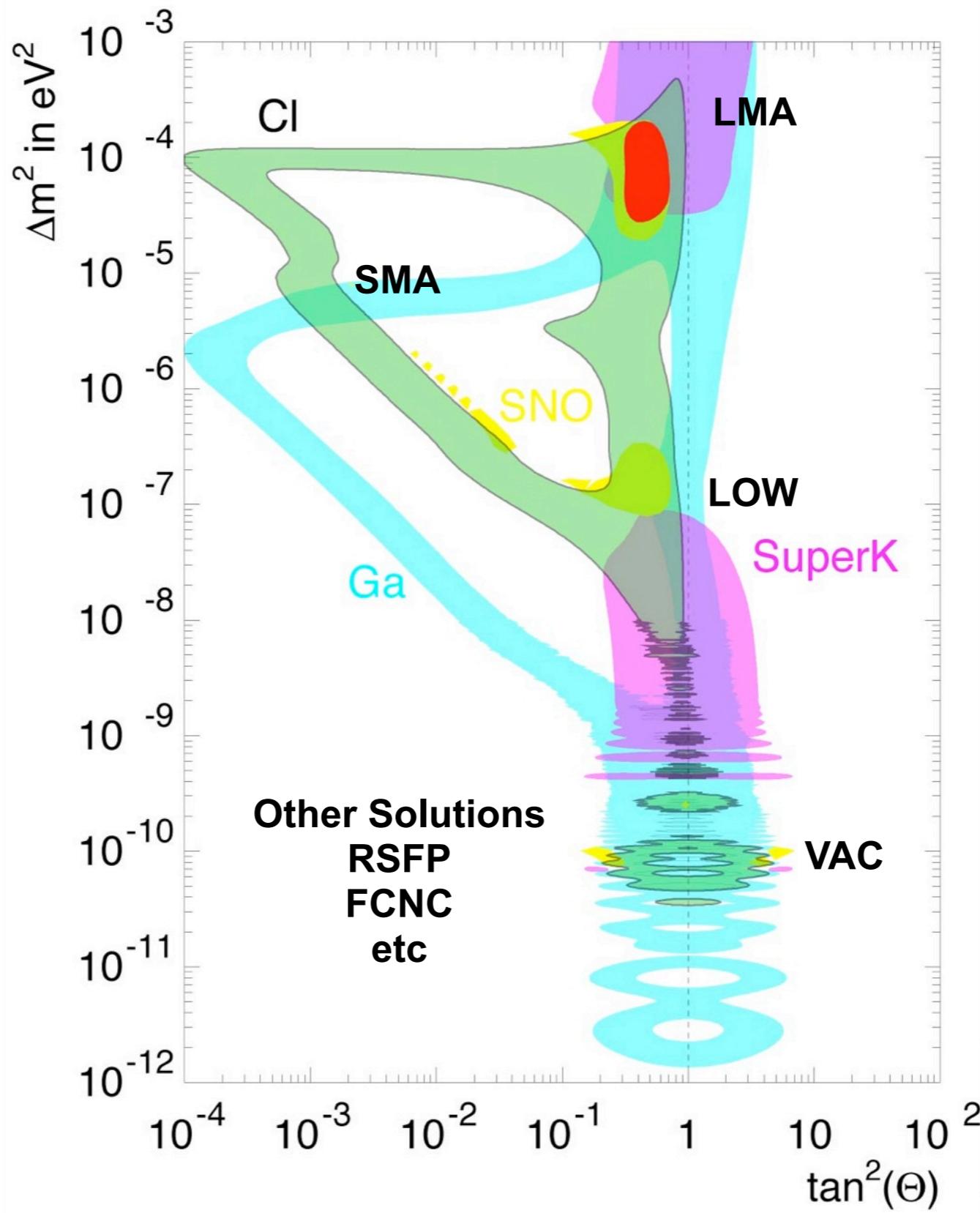
pp chain



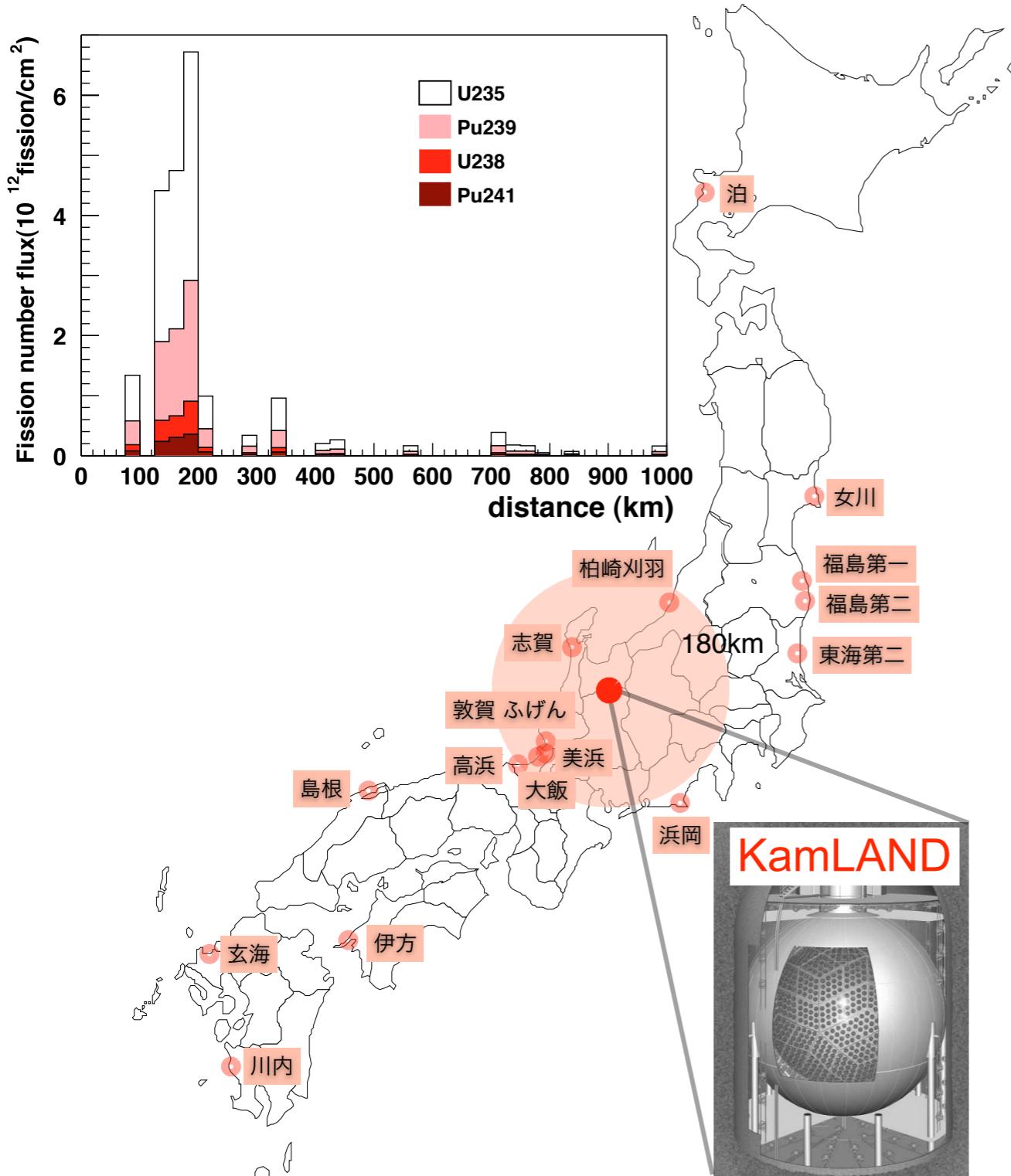
CNO cycle



Neutrino Oscillation Parameter which Reconcile all Experiments



Reactor Neutrino Observation



2 flavor neutrino oscillation

$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{1.27 \Delta m^2 [\text{eV}^2] l [m]}{E [\text{MeV}]} \right)$$

most sensitive region

$$\Delta m^2 = (1/1.27) \cdot (E[\text{MeV}]/L[m]) \cdot (\pi/2)$$
$$\sim 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

→ LMA solution

ΔL (distance spread from reactors)

$$175 \pm 35 \text{ km} \quad \sim 20\%$$

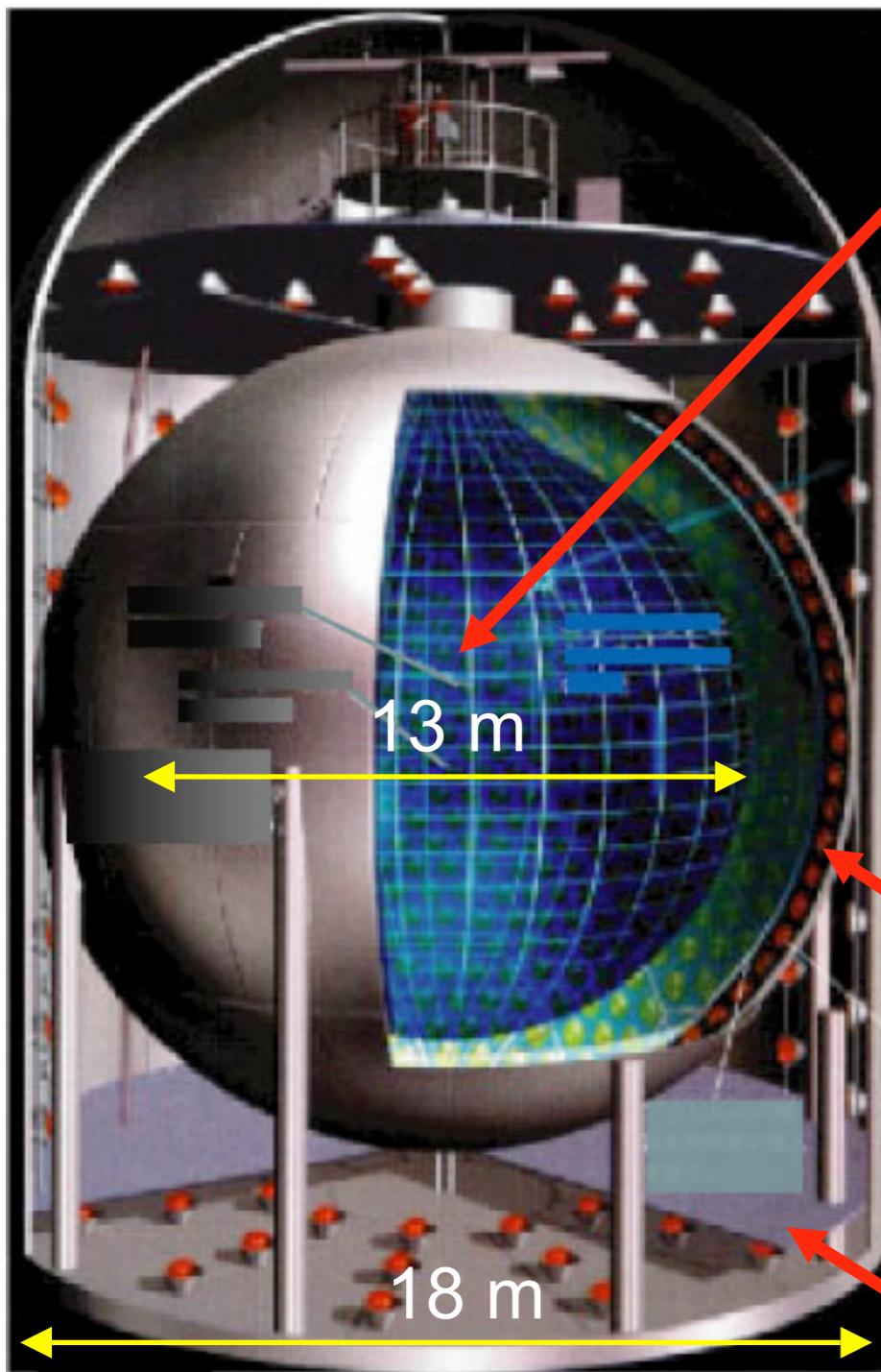
ΔE (energy resolution)

$$17 \text{ inch PMTs} \quad 7.3\% / \sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}$$
$$17 \text{ inch + 20 inch} \quad 6.2\% / \sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}$$

Good condition to confirm solar neutrino oscillation

KamLAND

Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector

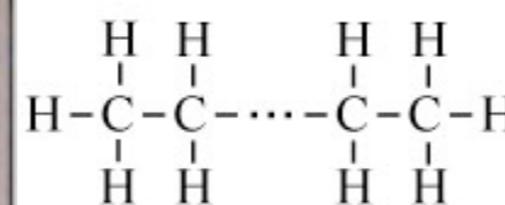


1,000 ton Liquid Scintillator

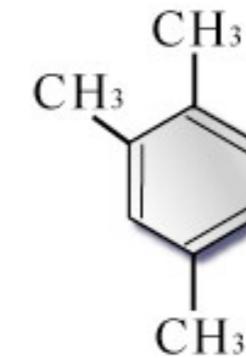
Pseudocumene (20%)

Dodecane (80%)

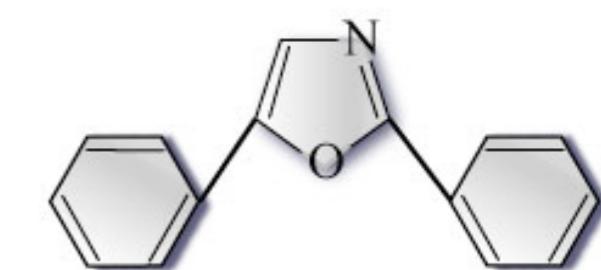
PPO (1.5 g/l)



Dodecane ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{26}$) : 80%



Pseudocumene : 20%
(1,2,4-Trimethyl Benzene)



PPO : 1.5 g / l
(2,5-Diphenyloxazole)

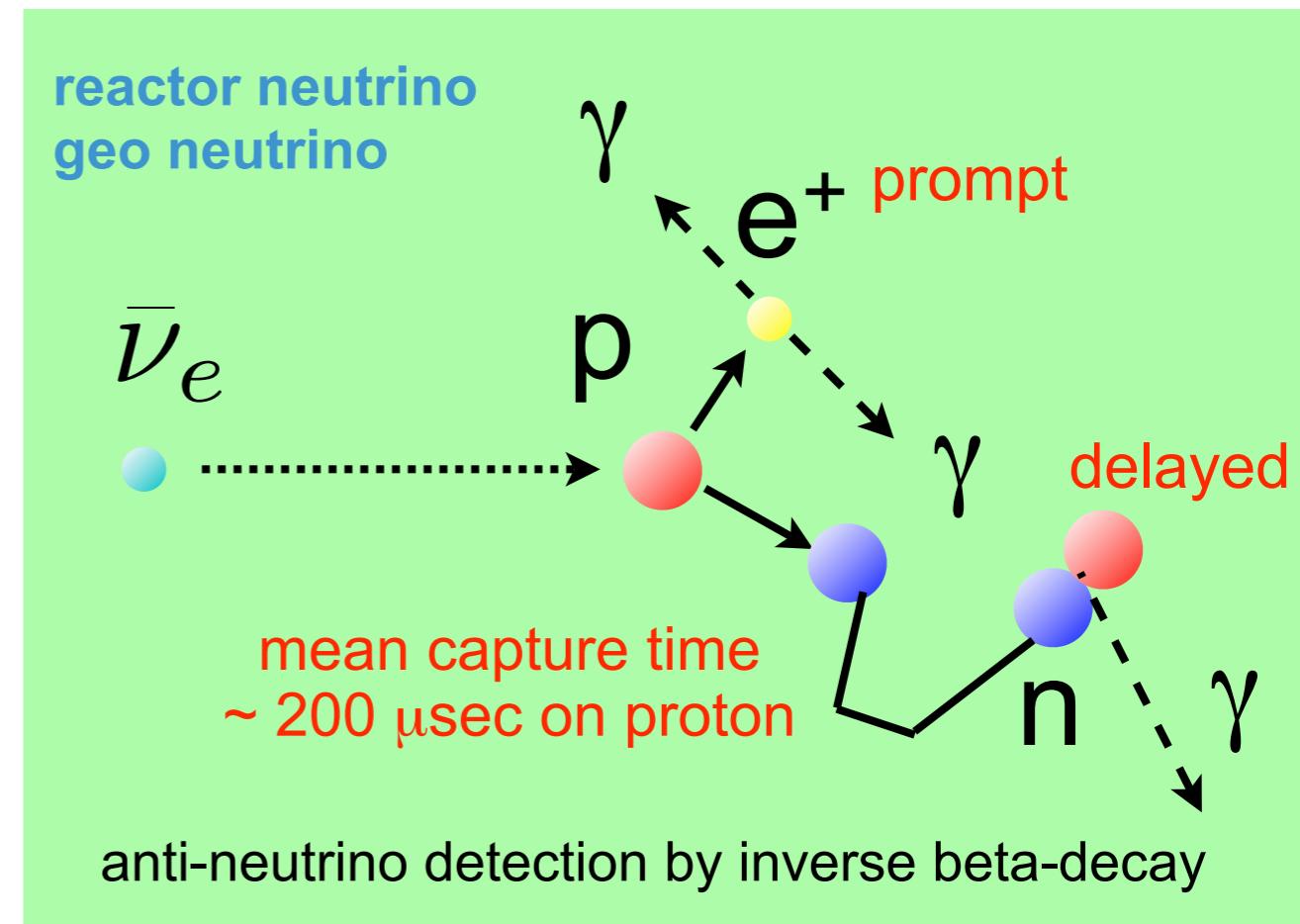
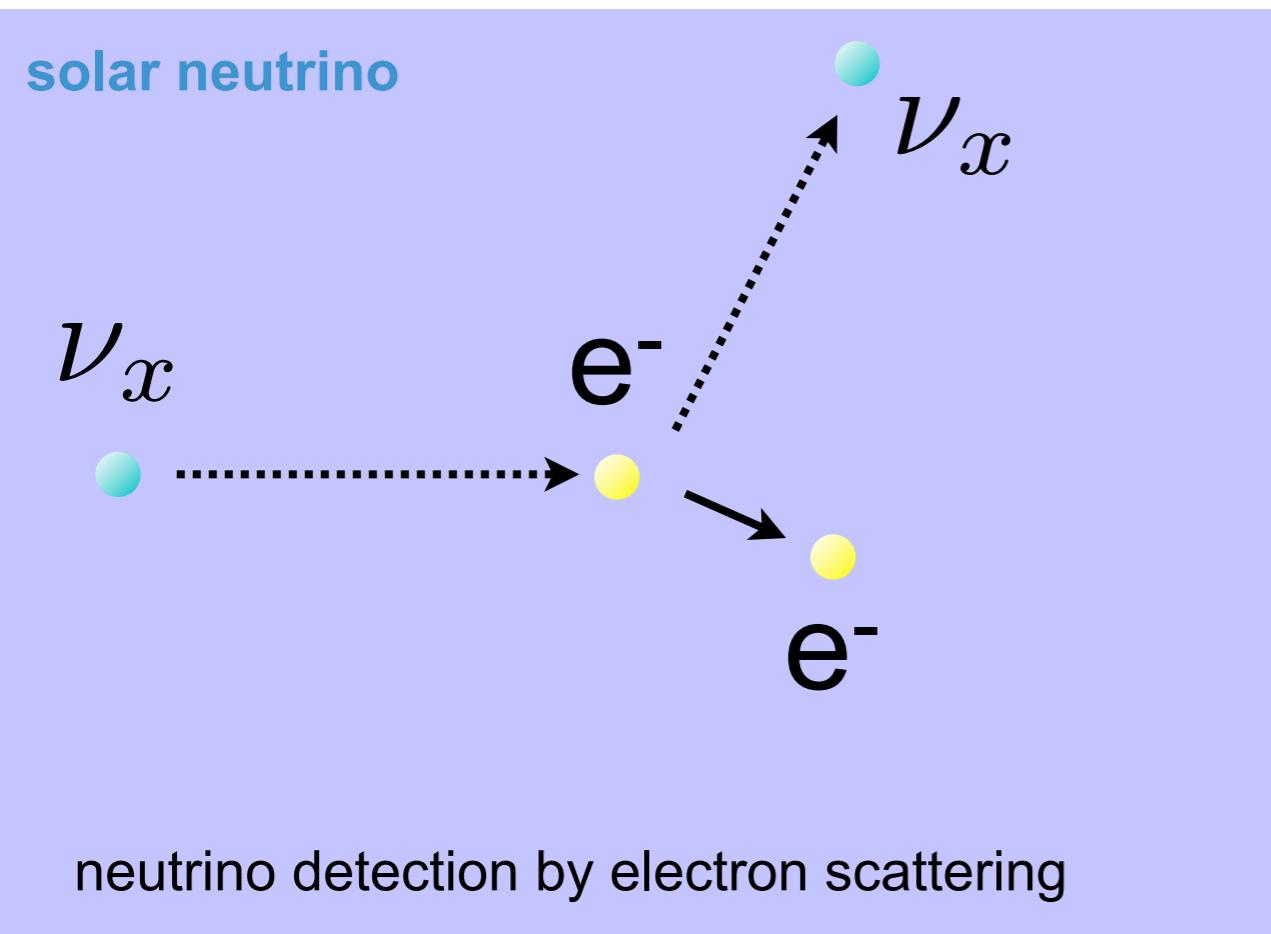
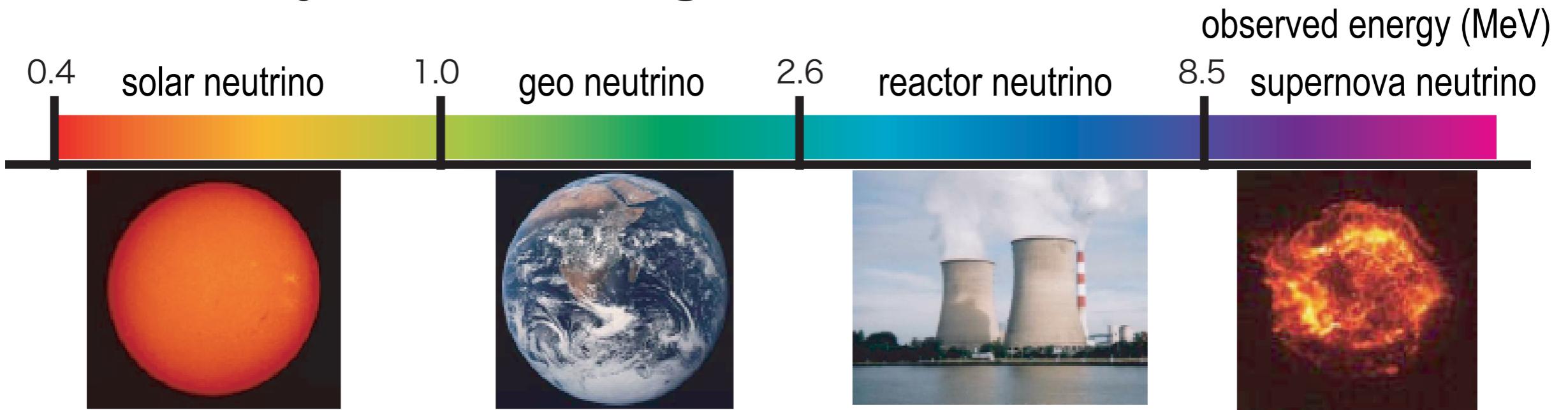
1,325 17 inch + 554 20 inch PMTs

commissioned in February, 2003

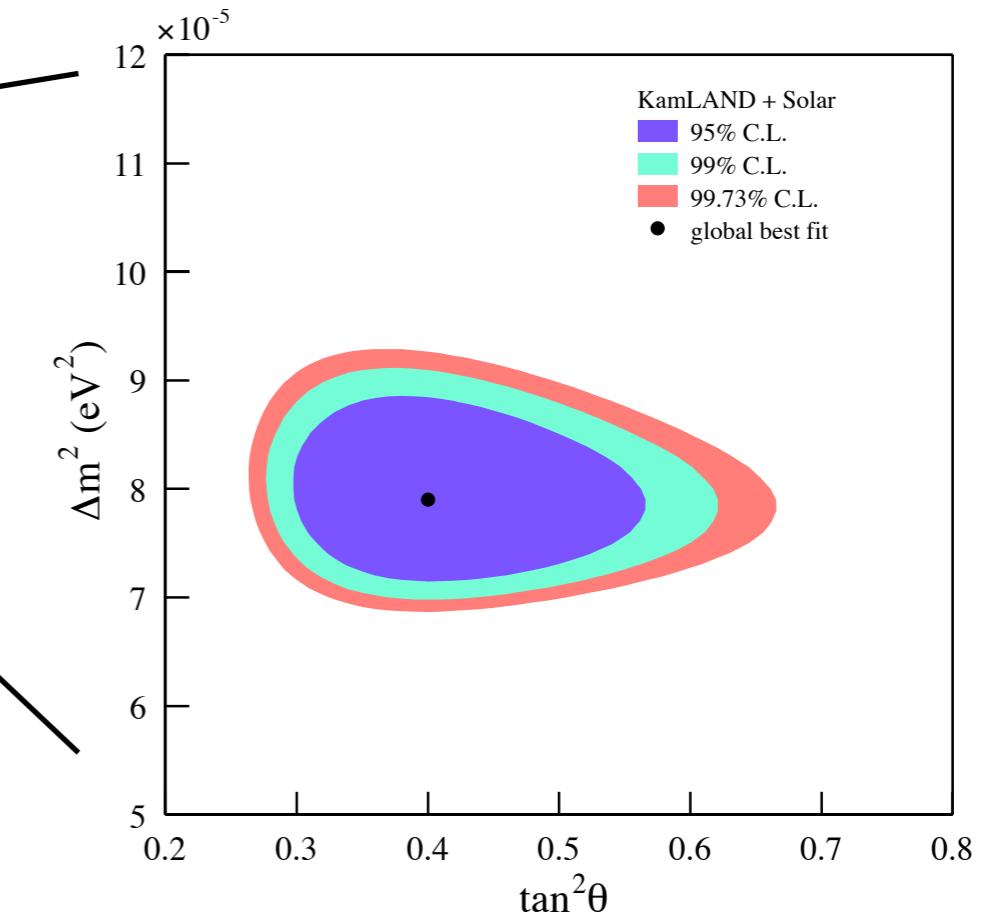
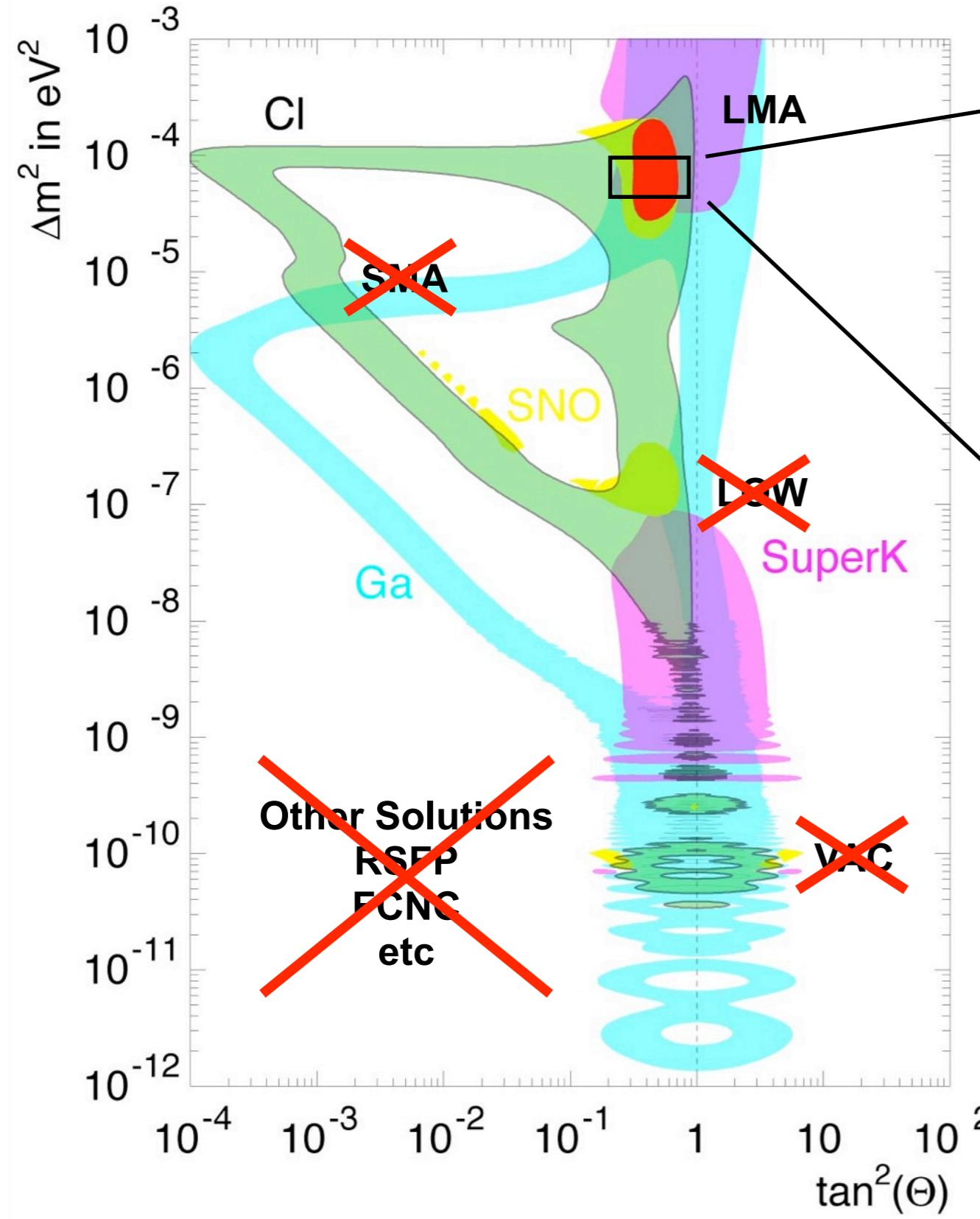
photocathode coverage : 22% → 34%

Water Cherenkov Outer Detector

Physics Target in KamLAND



Precise Measurement of Oscillation Parameter



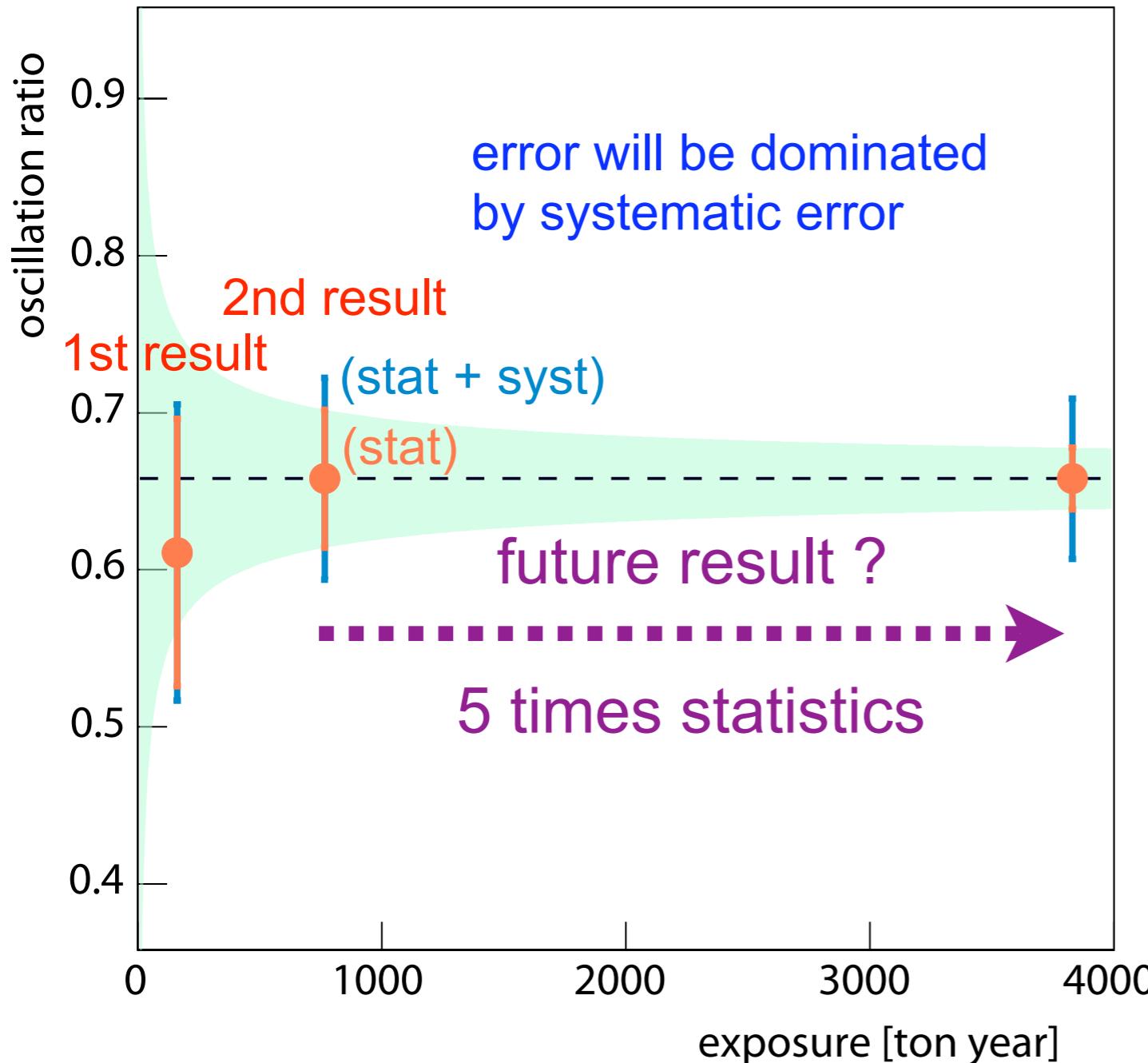
solar + KamLAND result

$$\tan^2 \theta = 0.40^{+0.10}_{-0.07}$$

$$\Delta m^2 = 7.9^{+0.6}_{-0.5} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

Reactor Future Prospect

$$\text{oscillation ratio} = (N_{\text{obs}} - \text{B.G.}) / N_{\text{exp}}$$



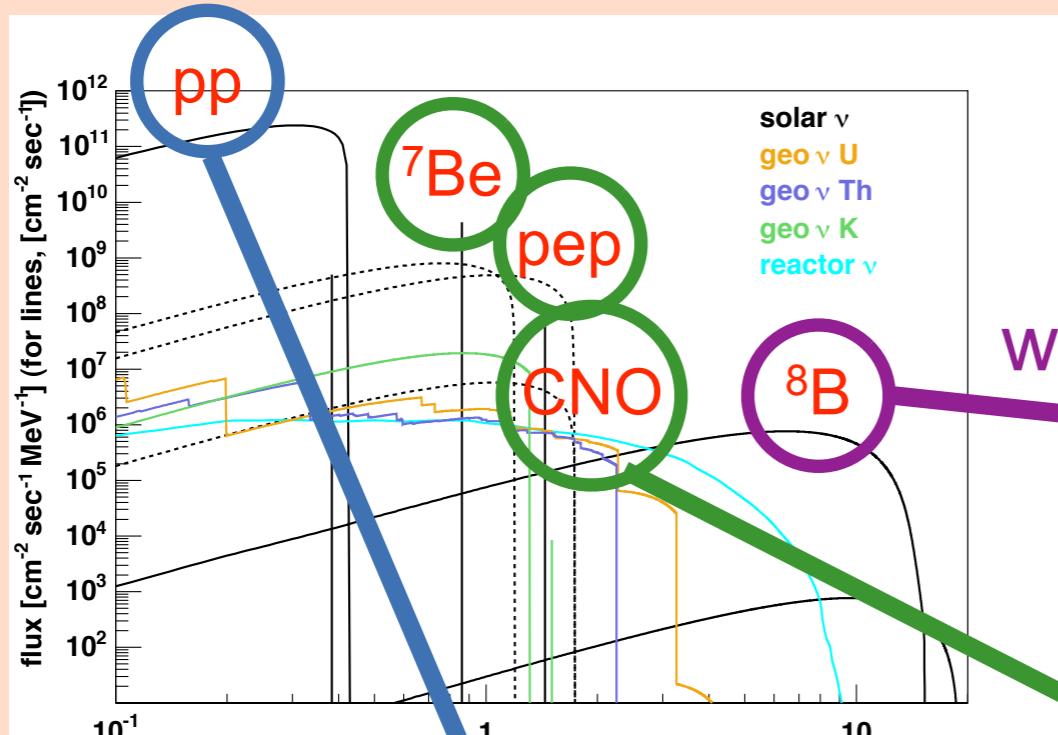
Systematic	%
Fiducial volume	dominant
Energy threshold	2.3
Efficiency of cuts	1.6
Livetime	0.06
Reactor power	2.1
Fuel composition	1.0
$\bar{\nu}_e$ spectra	2.5
Cross section	0.2
Total	6.5

Fiducial volume uncertainty will be reduced by full volume calibration (now planning)

full volume calibration → systematic uncertainty $\sim 4\%$

Future Solar Neutrino Measurement

low energy solar neutrino observation



well understood

~ 0.01%

~ 9%

~ 91%

low energy

LENS (^{115}In)

MOON (^{100}Mo)

SIREN (^{160}Gd)

$\nu_e n \rightarrow e^- p$

high energy

Super-Kamiokande
SNO

development stage ...

Borexino

KamLAND II

SNO+

LENA

XMass

GENIUS

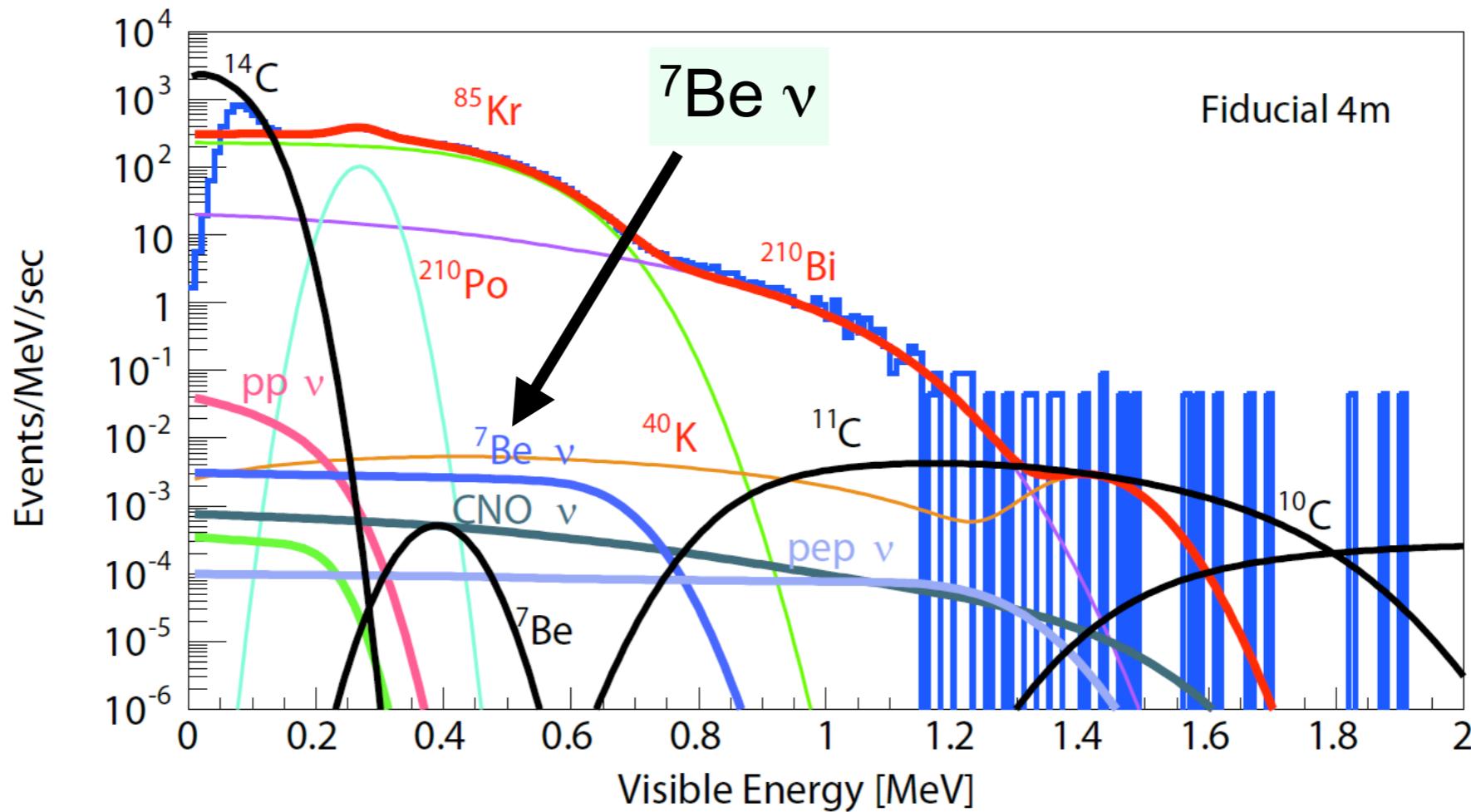
CLEAN

HERON

$\nu_e e^- \rightarrow \nu_e e^-$

KamLAND II (Solar Neutrino Phase)

KamLAND singles spectra

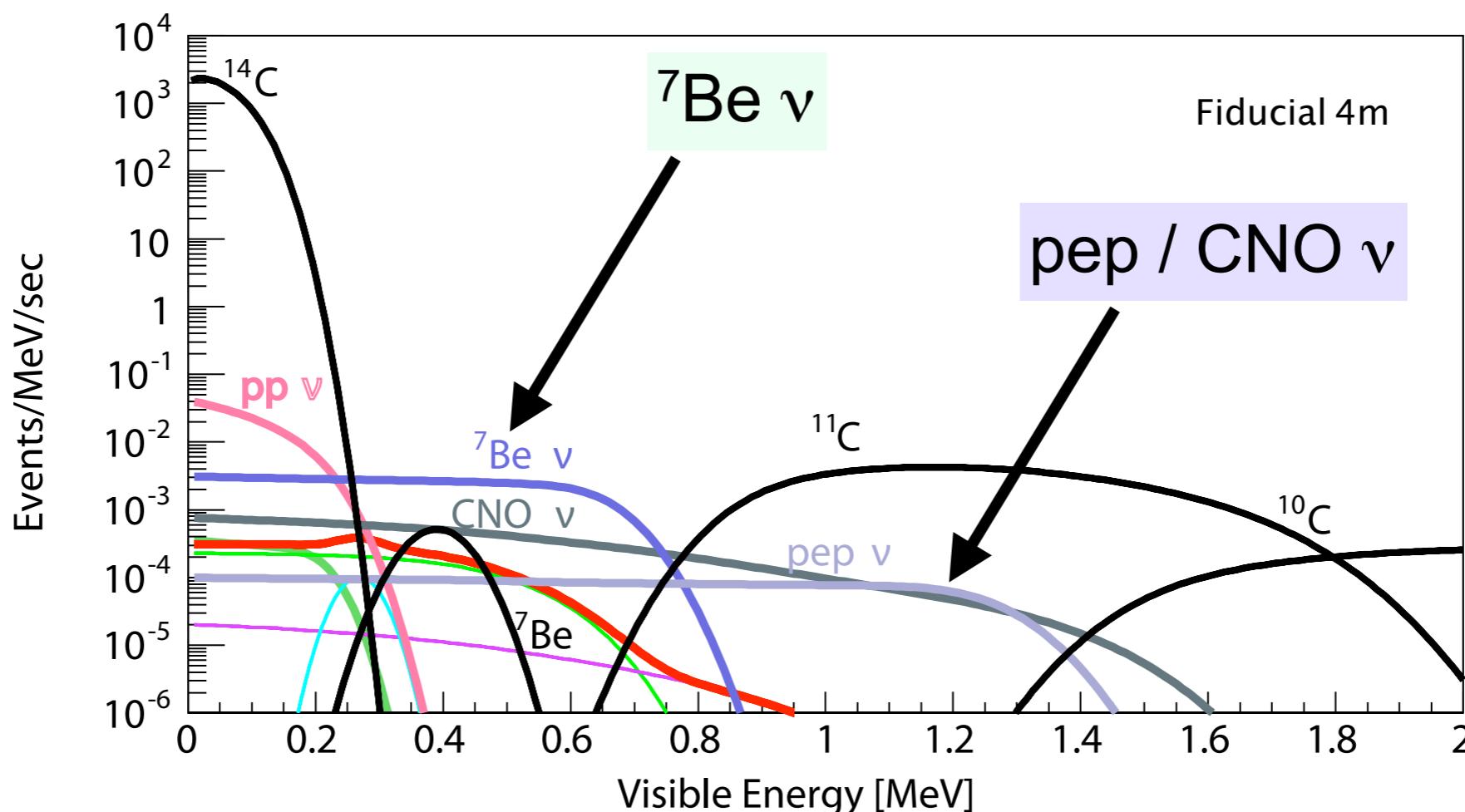


$^{7}\text{Be} \nu$ observation

B.G. reduction requirement $\sim 1 \mu\text{Bq} / \text{m}^3$

Energy Spectra after Purification

assuming 10^{-6} reduction of ^{210}Pb , ^{85}Kr and ^{40}K



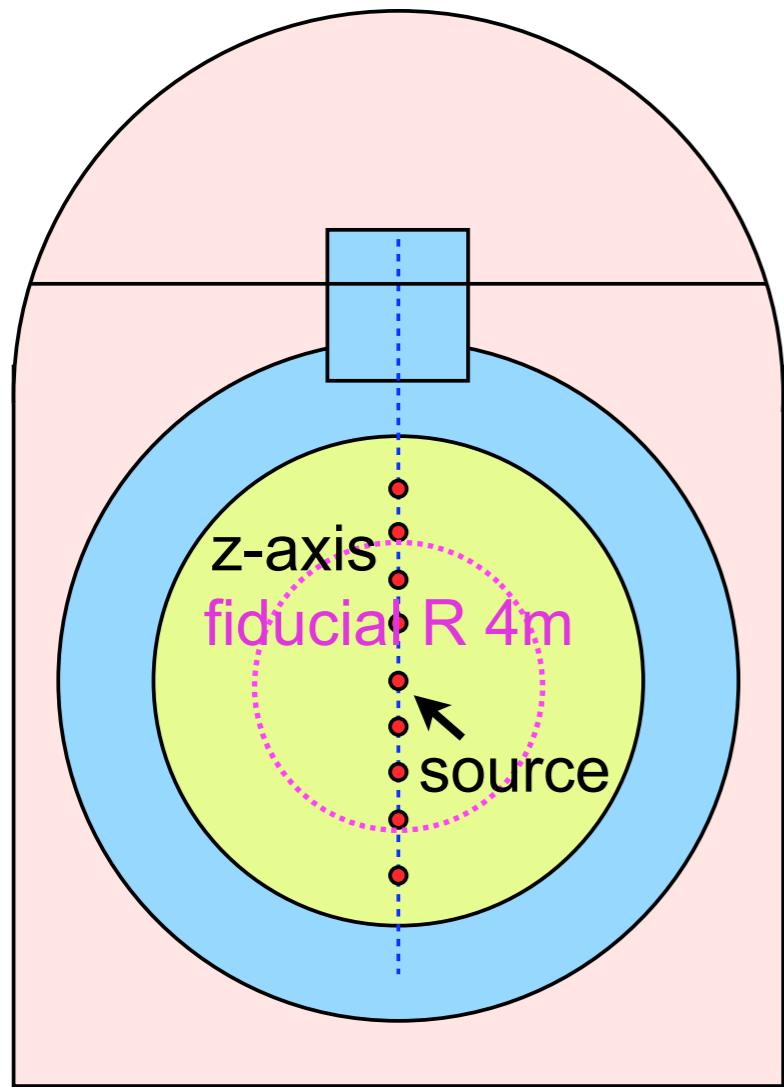
expected event rate (no oscillation) $0.3 < E < 0.8 \text{ MeV}$

$^{7}\text{Be } \nu$ 79.9 event / day

pep ν 3.8 event / day

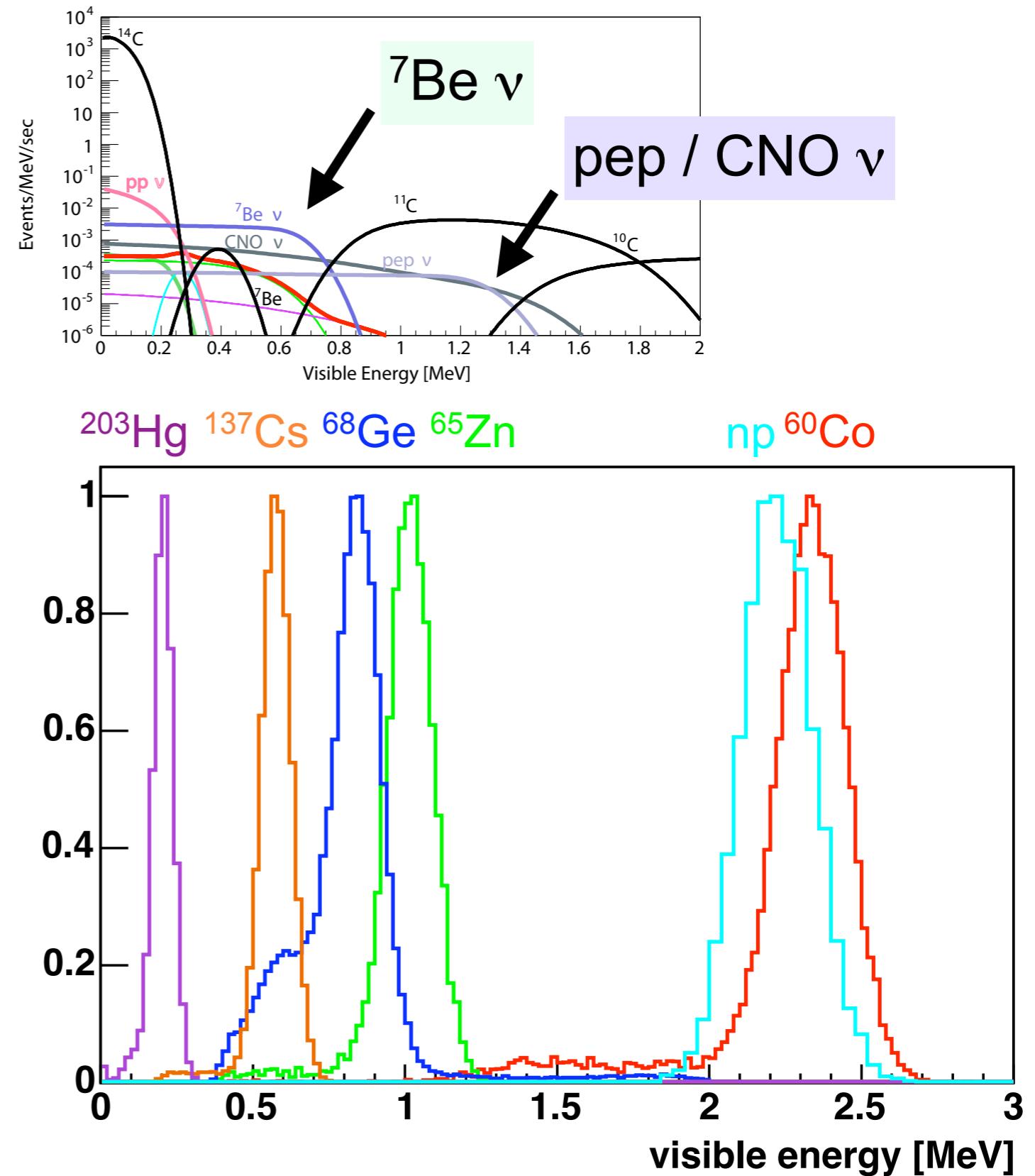
CNO ν 16.3 event / day

Source Calibration below 1 MeV



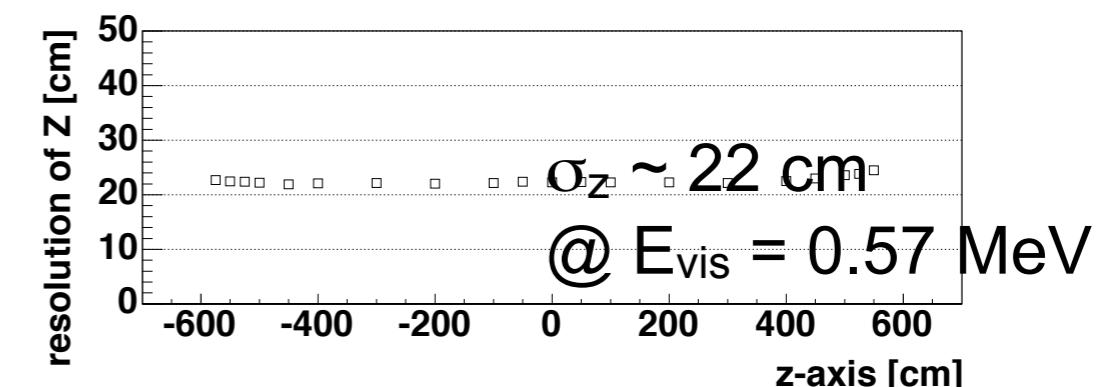
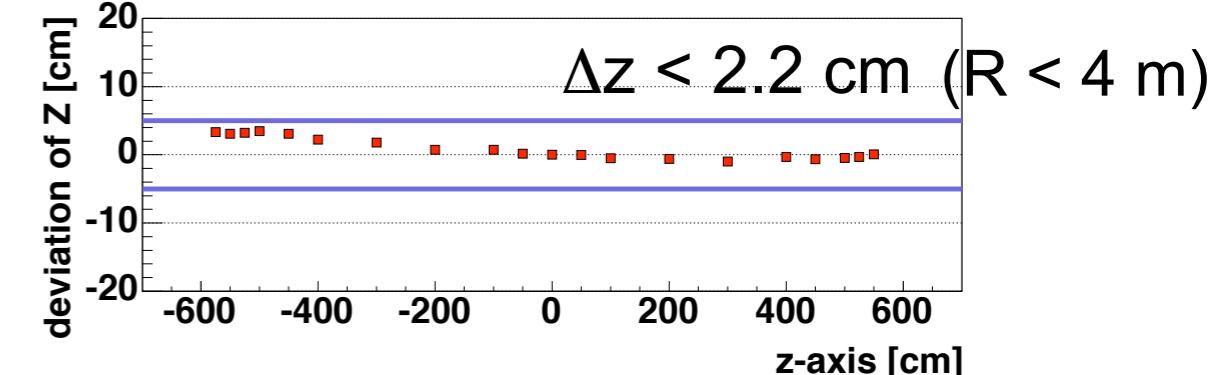
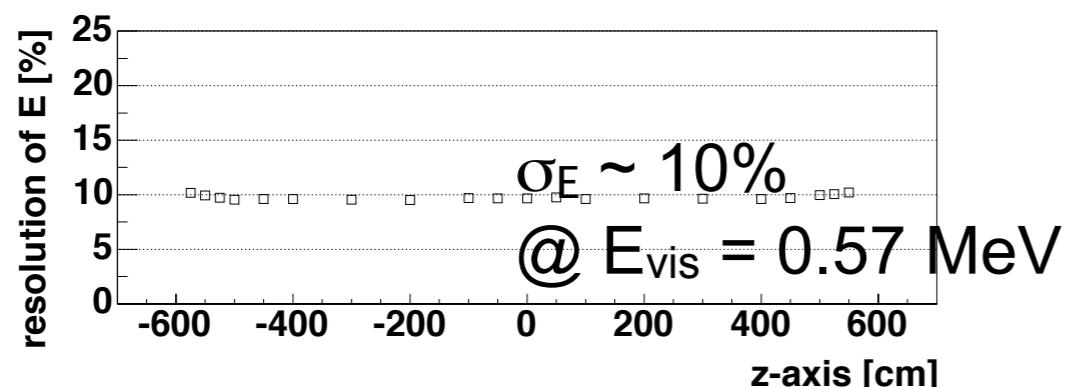
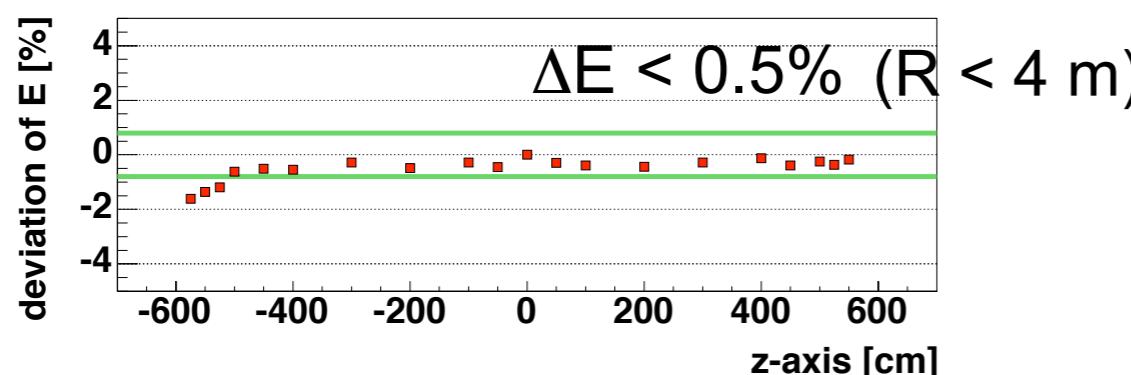
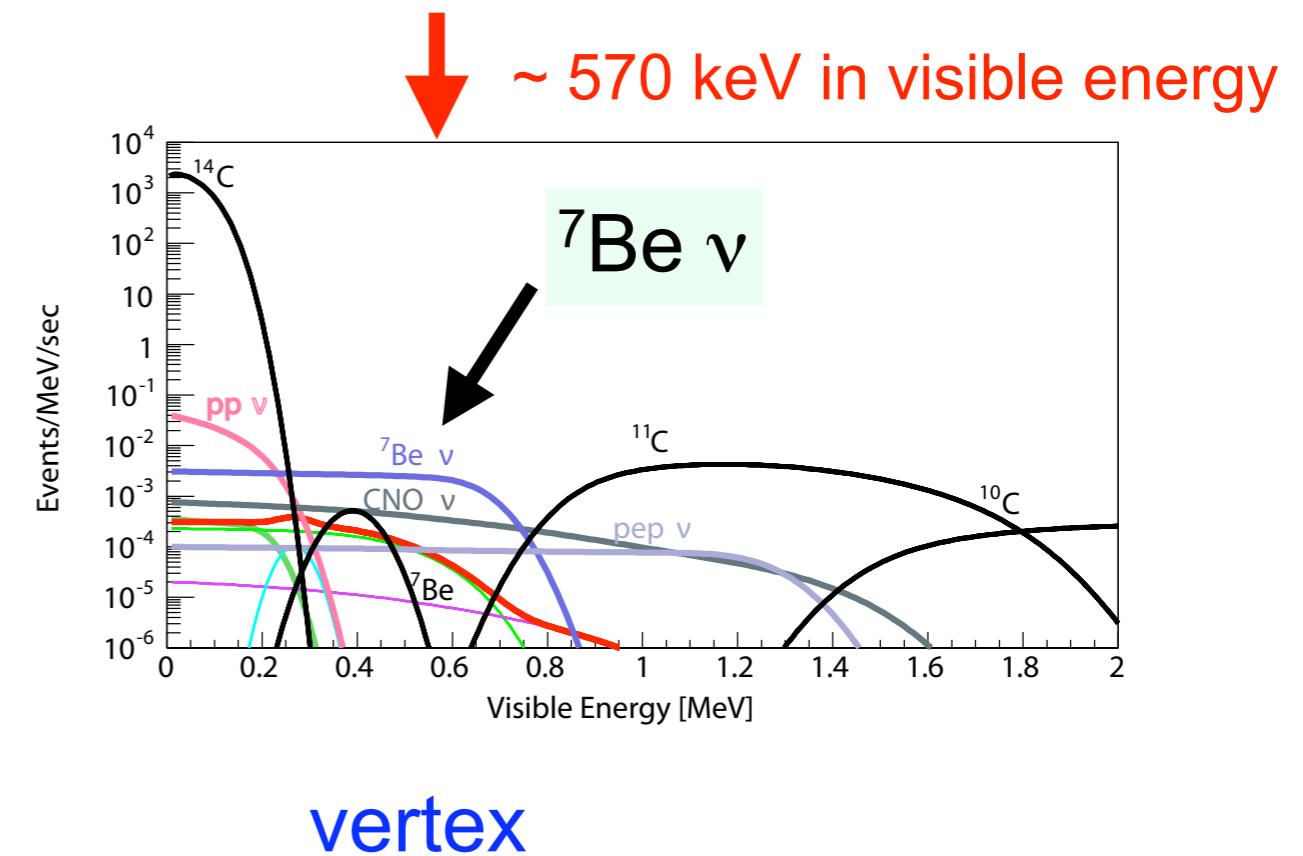
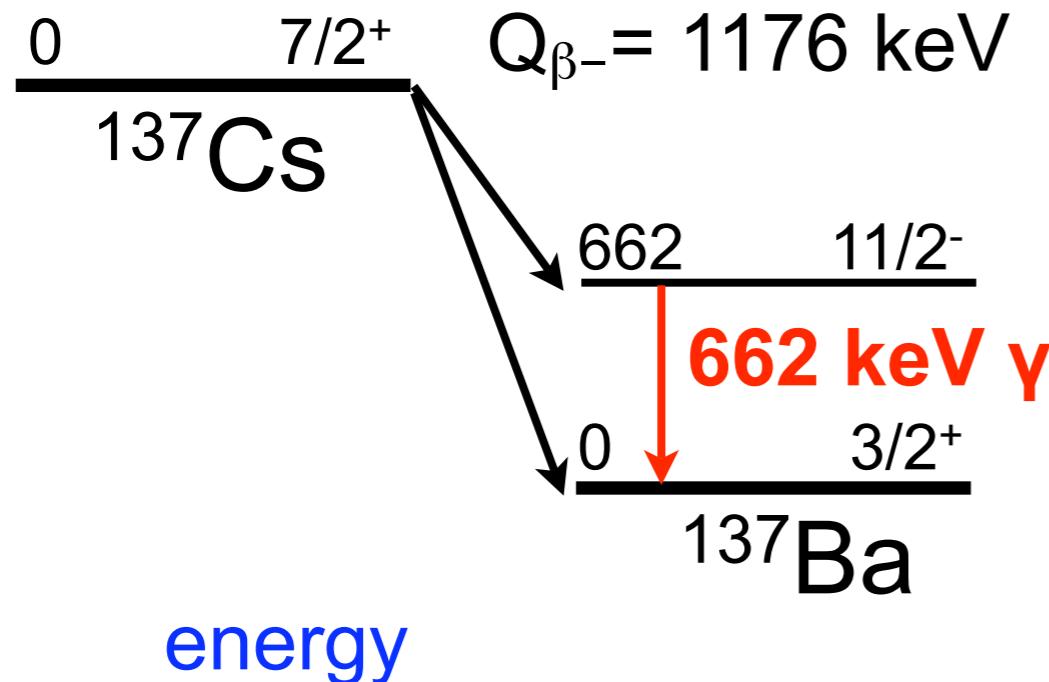
calibration below 1 MeV

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68Ge, 137Cs, 203Hg



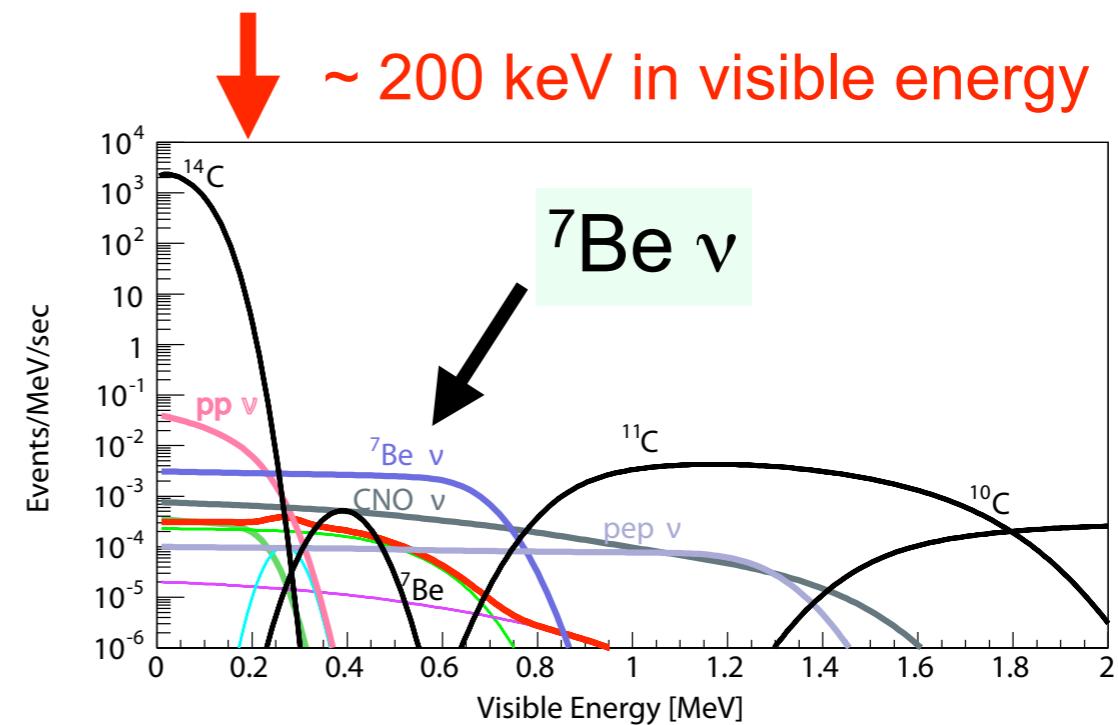
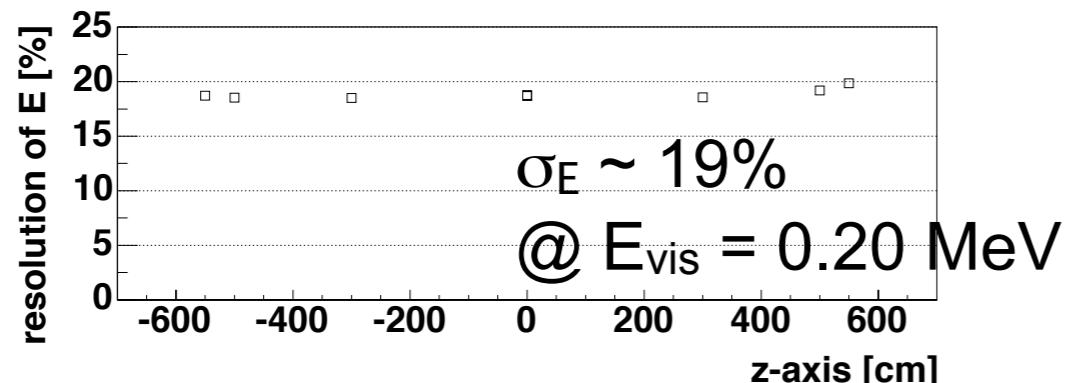
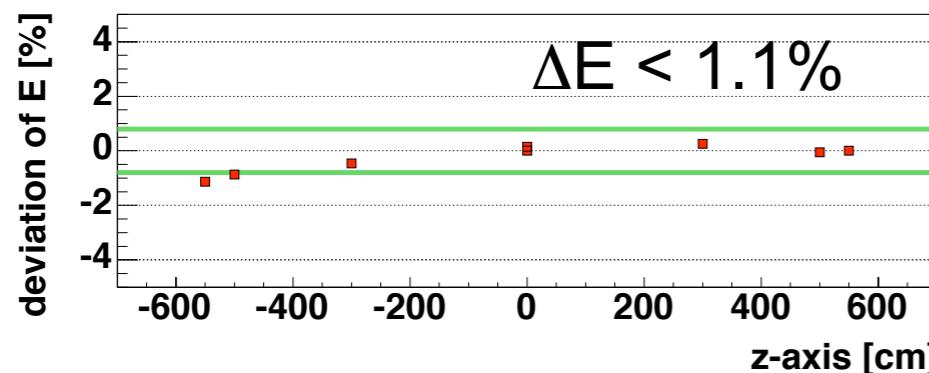
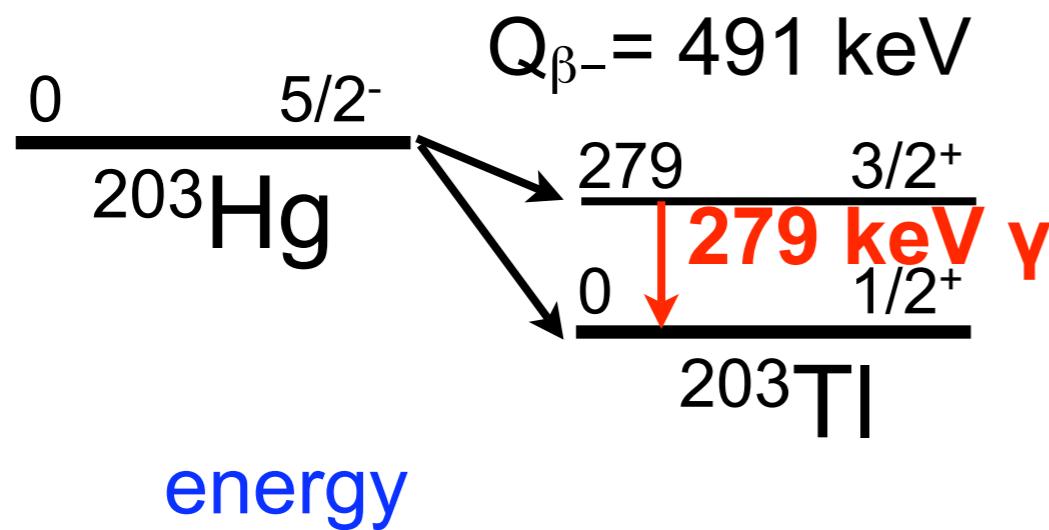
Event Reconstruction in Low Energy

^{137}Cs source calibration

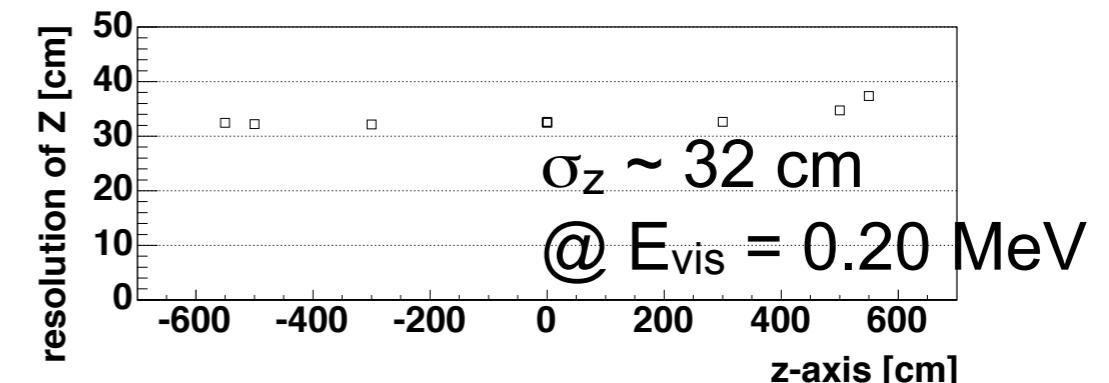
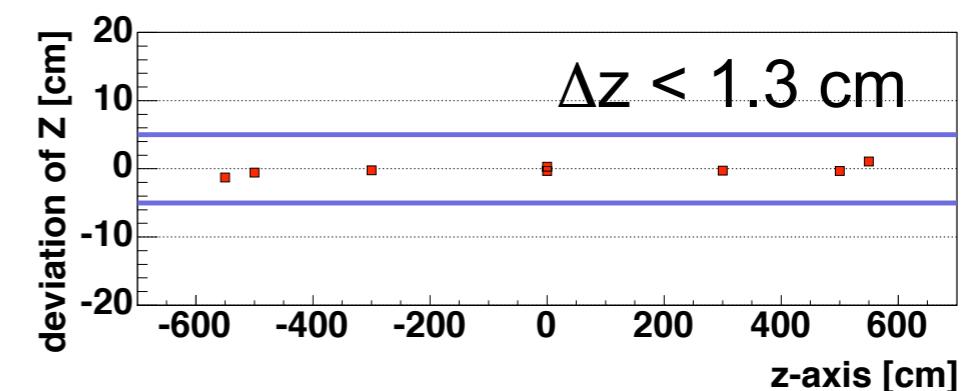


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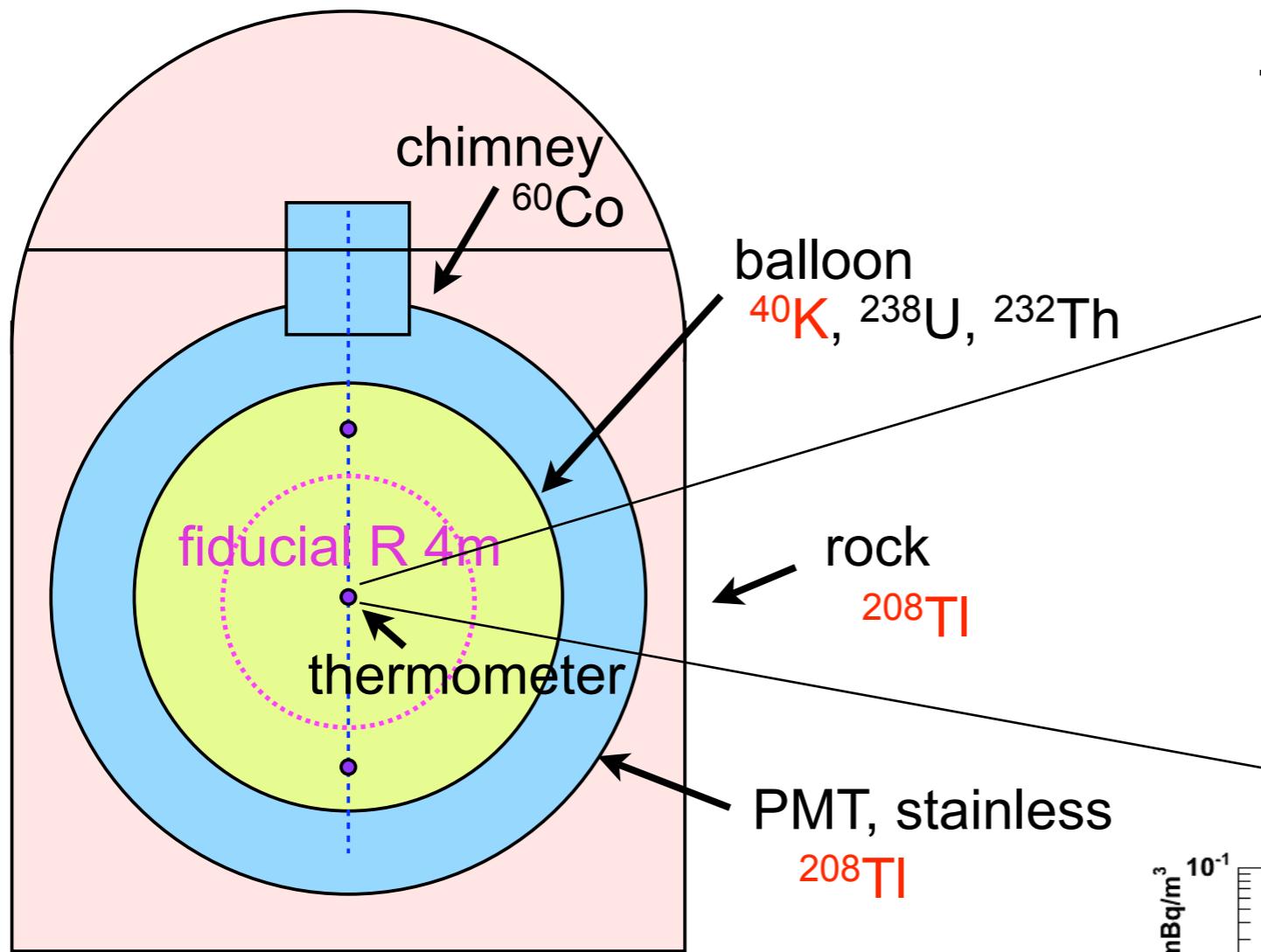
^{203}Hg source calibration



vertex



External Background



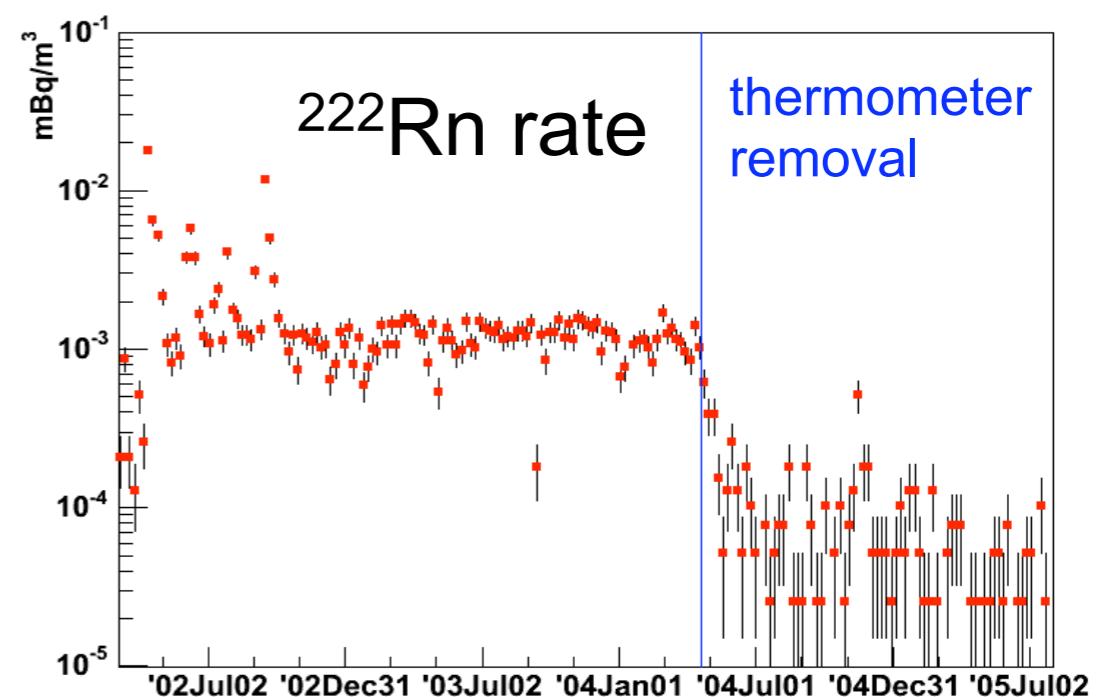
thermometer removal
(Apr. 19, 2004)



thermometer removal

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222Rn rate around z-axis ($\rho < 2$ m)

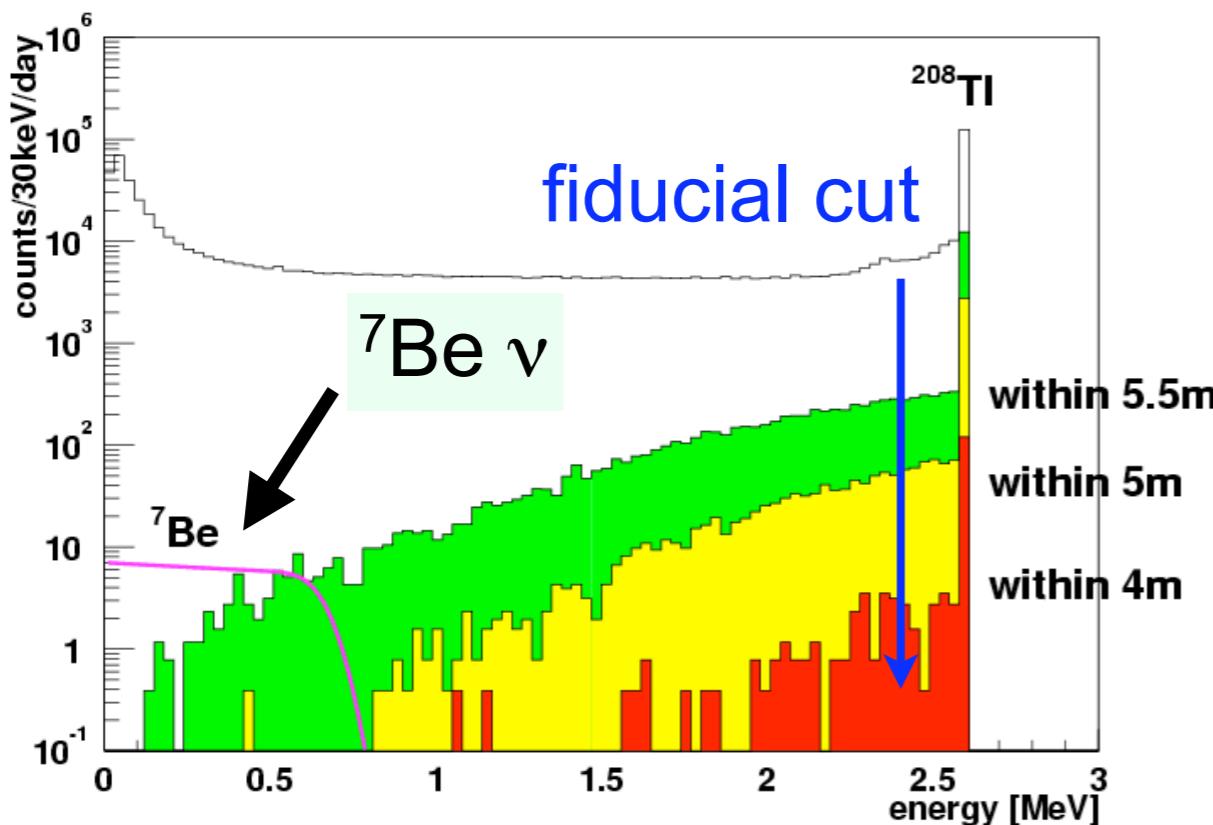
$1 \mu\text{Bq}/\text{m}^3 \rightarrow < 0.1 \mu\text{Bq}/\text{m}^3$
(${}^7\text{Be}$ rate $\sim 3 \mu\text{Hz}/\text{m}^3$)



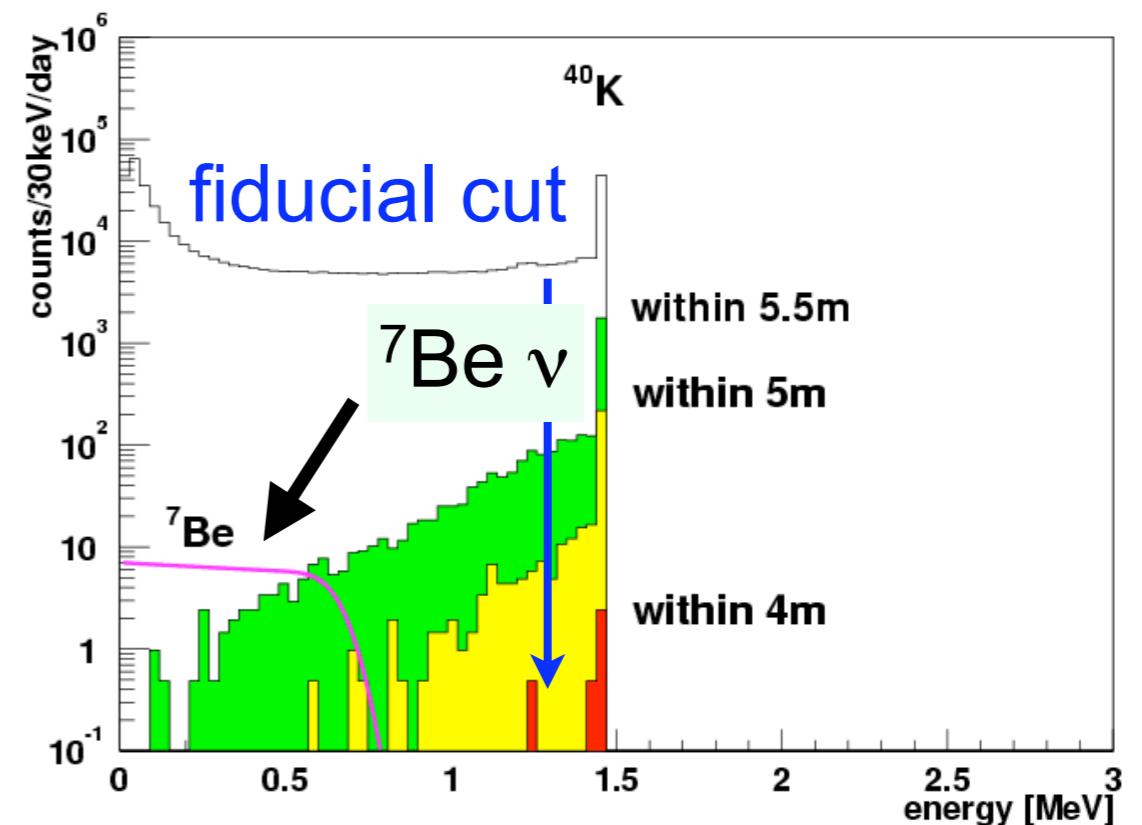
External Gamma-ray Background

External gamma-ray B.G. is studied by MC

^{208}TI (2.62 MeV γ)
Rock, PMT, stainless, ...

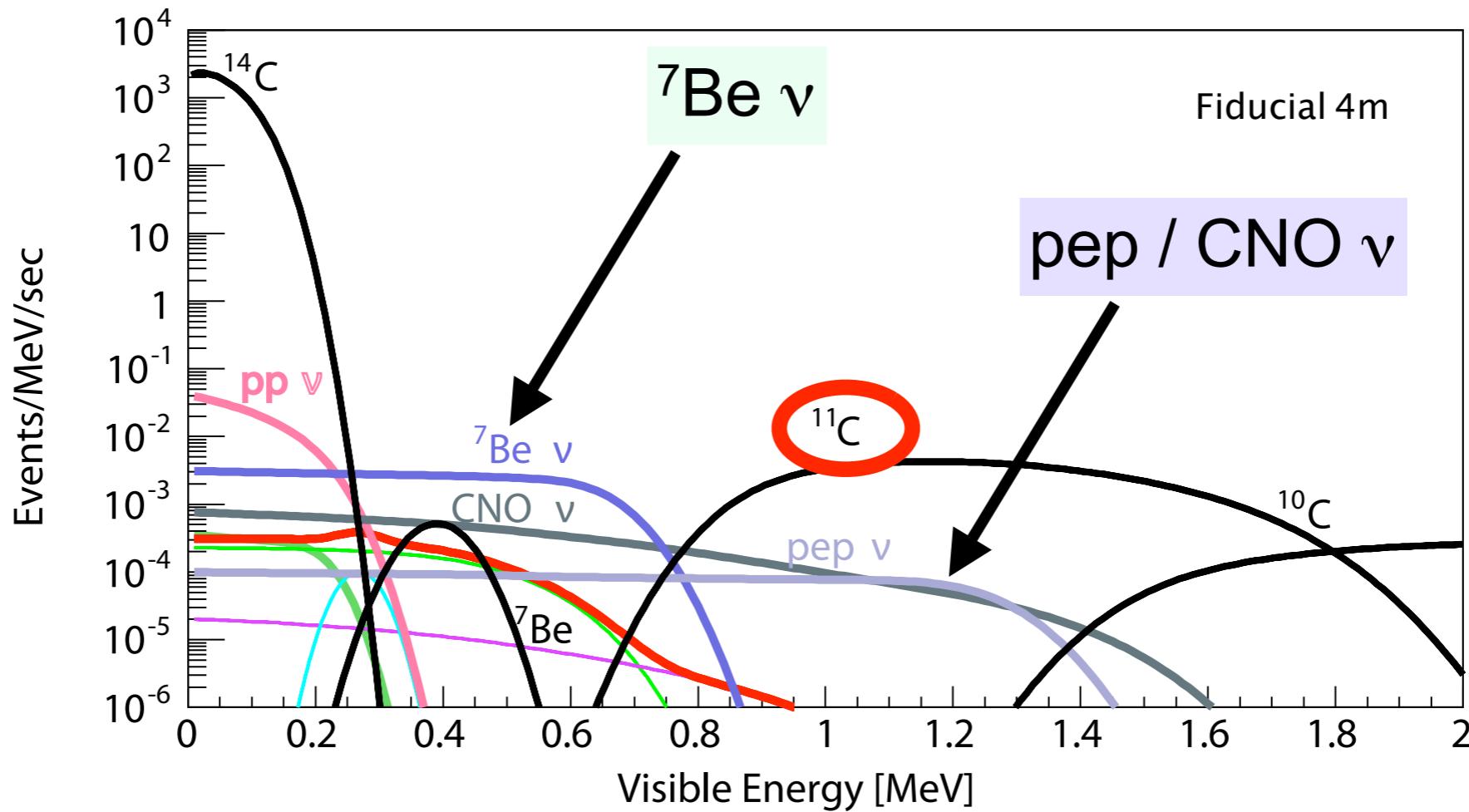


^{40}K (1.46 MeV γ)
EVOH film, Kevlar rope, ...



fiducial R 4 m cut is enough

Muon Spallation Background

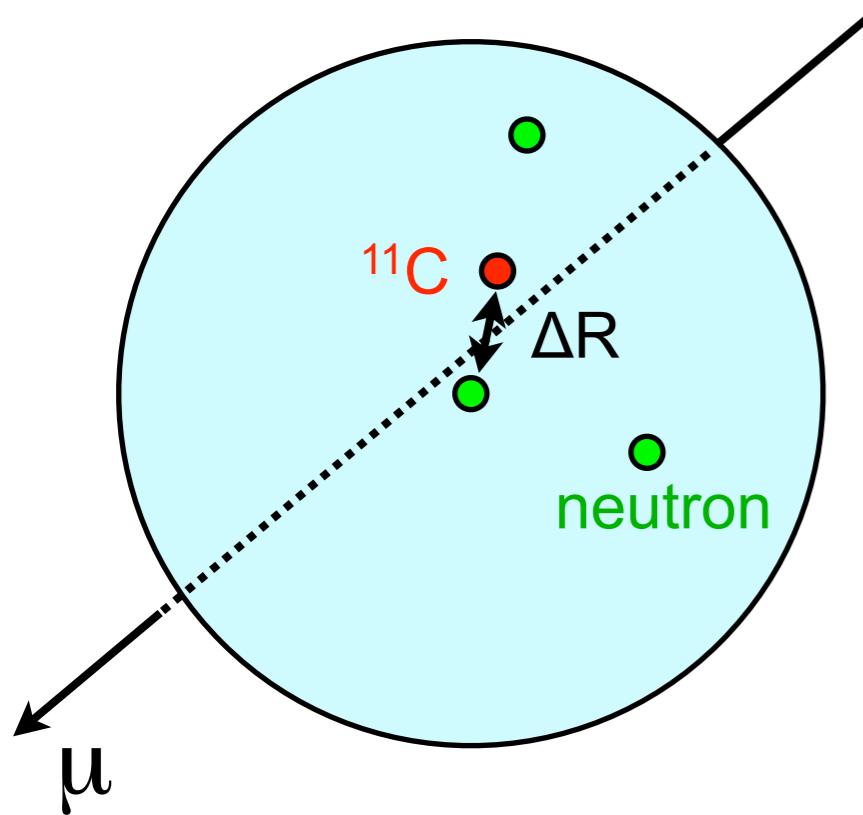


	Life time	Q value	Hagner et al. (ev/d/kton)
^{10}C	27.8 sec	3.65 MeV (β^+)	139
^{11}C	29.4 min	1.98 MeV (β^+)	1039
^{7}Be	76.9 day	0.478 MeV (EC)	231

serious B.G.
for pep / CNO ν

^{11}C Rejection by Neutron Events

nuclear spallation reaction by cosmic-ray muons



^{11}C rejection by triple coincidence

- (1) cosmic-ray muon
- (2) neutron (mean capture time $\sim 210 \mu\text{sec}$)
- (3) ^{11}C (lifetime = 29.4 min)



point-like rejection (not track-like)
using neutron vertex information

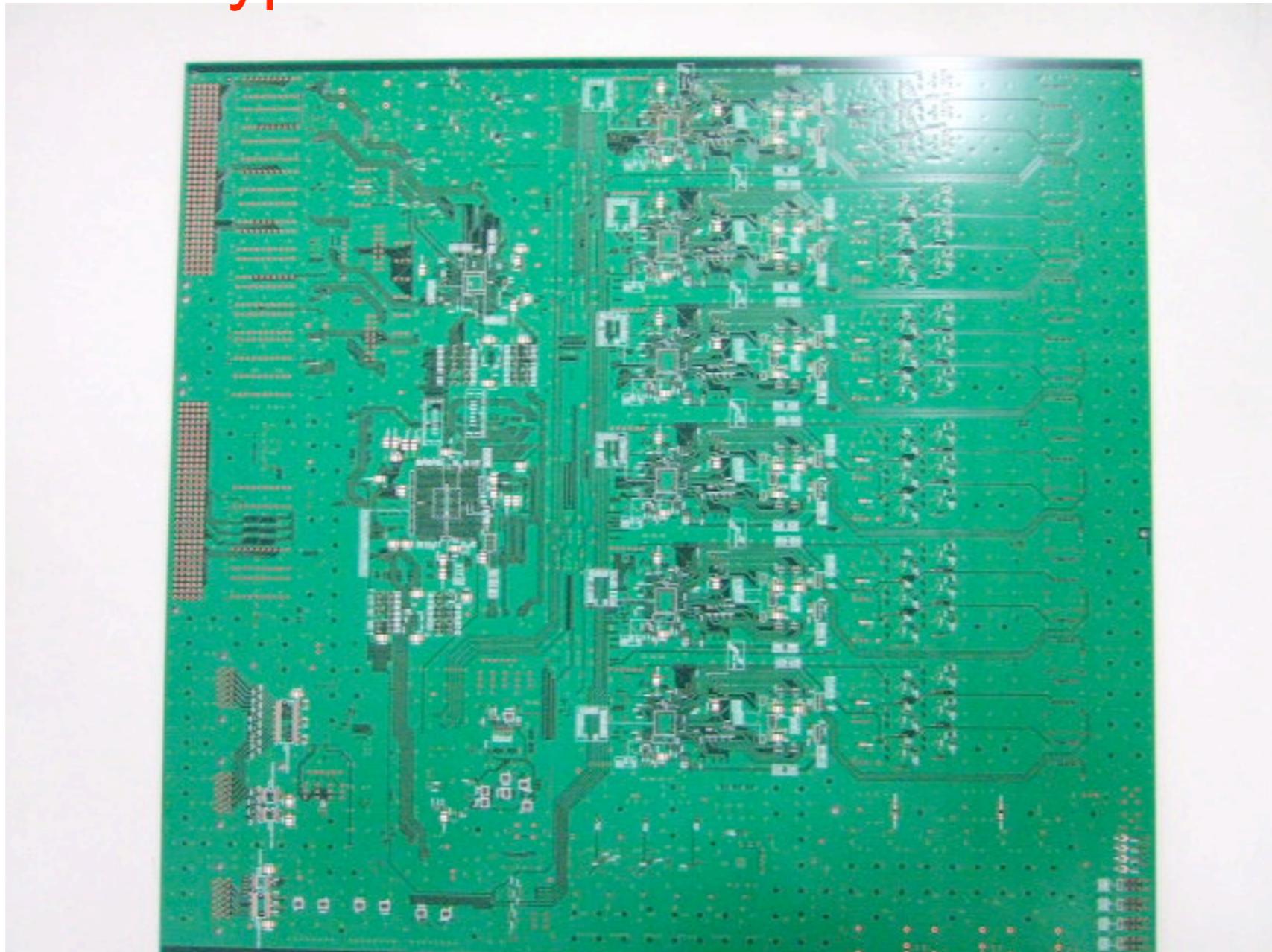


$$X = \gamma, n, p, \pi^-, \pi^+, e, \mu$$

n production rate $\sim 95\%$ (Galbiati et al., hep-ph/0411002)

Electronics for ^{11}C Tagging

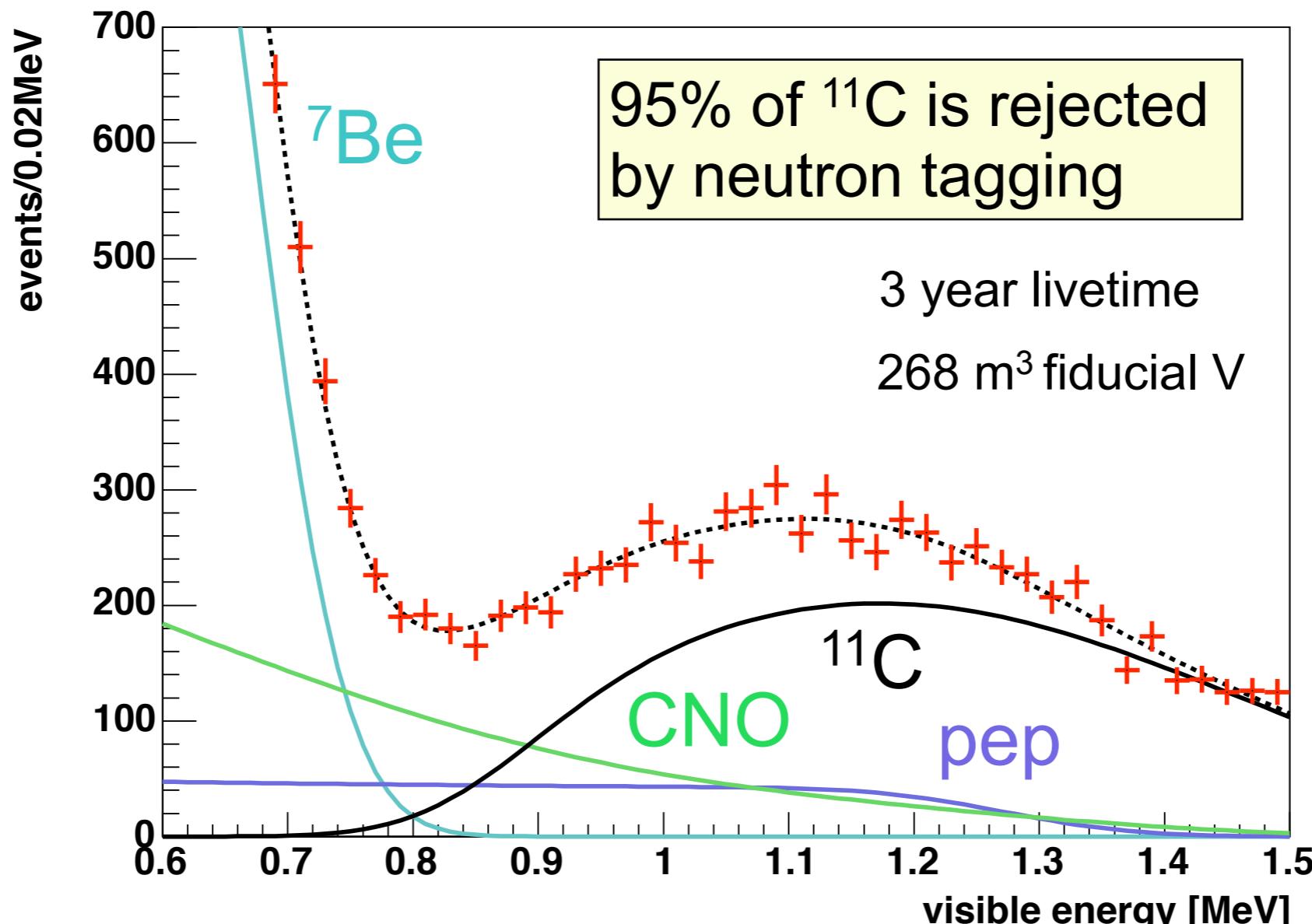
Prototype



no dead time for high multiplicity events
(spallation neutrons) after muons

Energy Spectra after ^{11}C Rejection

pep and CNO ν ($0.8 < E < 1.4$ MeV)

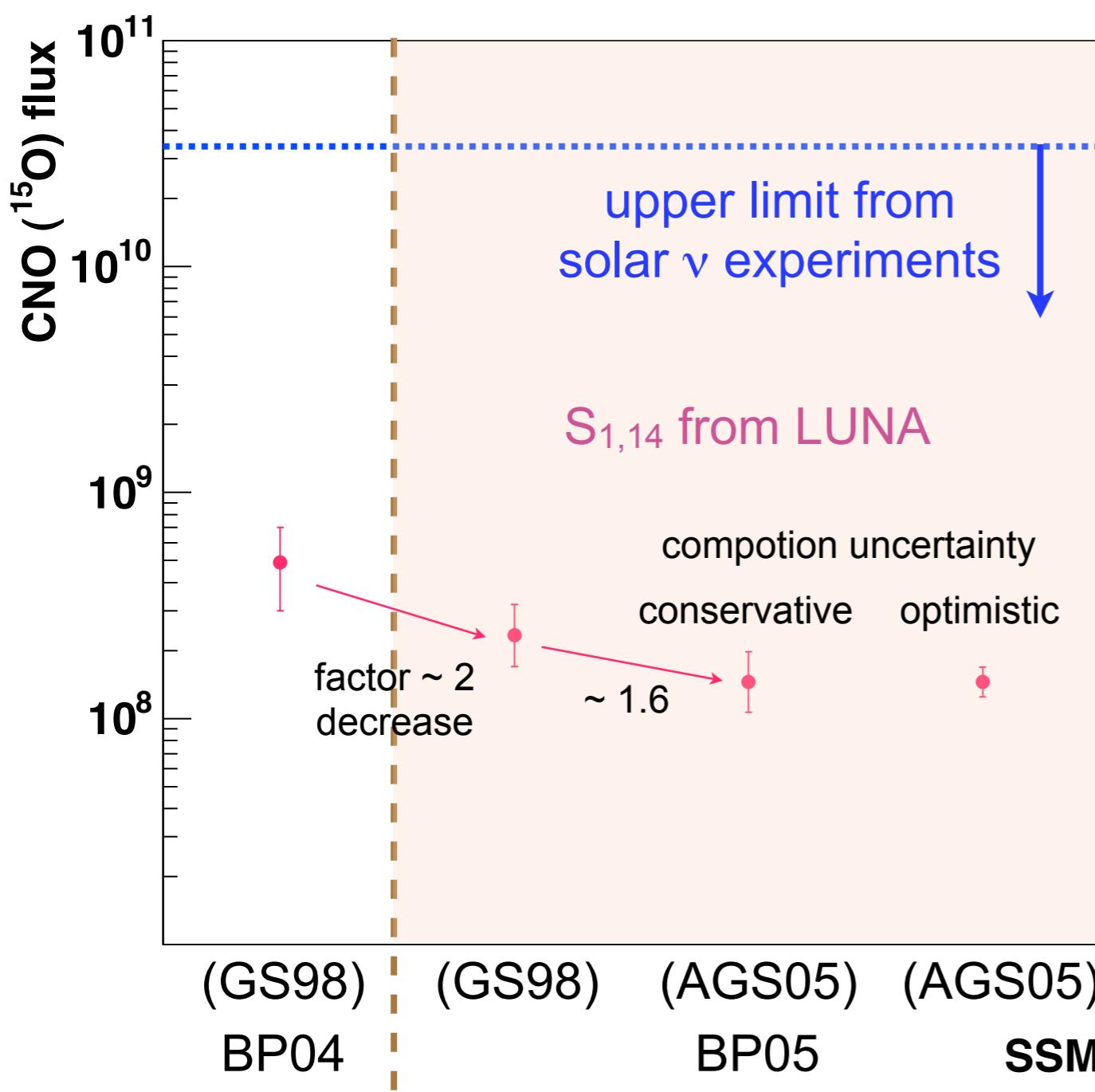


^{11}C rejection simulation

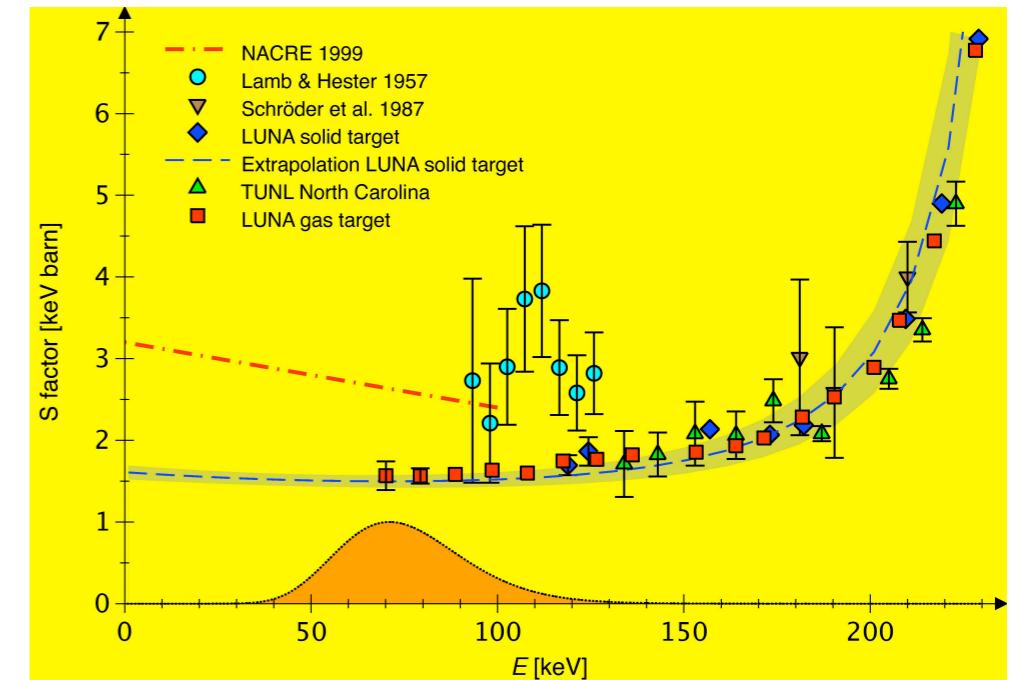
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pep + CNO flux error \sim 6% (statistical error)

CNO Neutrino Flux

CNO neutrino flux has large uncertainty from $^{14}\text{N}(\text{p}, \gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ cross section and heavy element abundance in the sun



LUNA result
(Carlo Broggini et al., NOW2006)



$$S(0) = 1.7 \pm 0.2 \text{ keV b}$$

- $S_{1,14}$ decrease from LUNA
- heavy element abundance decrease

KamLAND observation will test

Summary

- Reactor neutrino experiment contributed to solutions in solar neutrino problem.

KamLAND experiment



- oscillatory shape of reactor anti-neutrinos
- precise measurement of oscillation parameter

- We will observe ${}^7\text{Be}$, pep and CNO solar neutrino in KamLAND II.
- In the near future, observation of low energy solar neutrino will provide a greater understanding of the sun.