

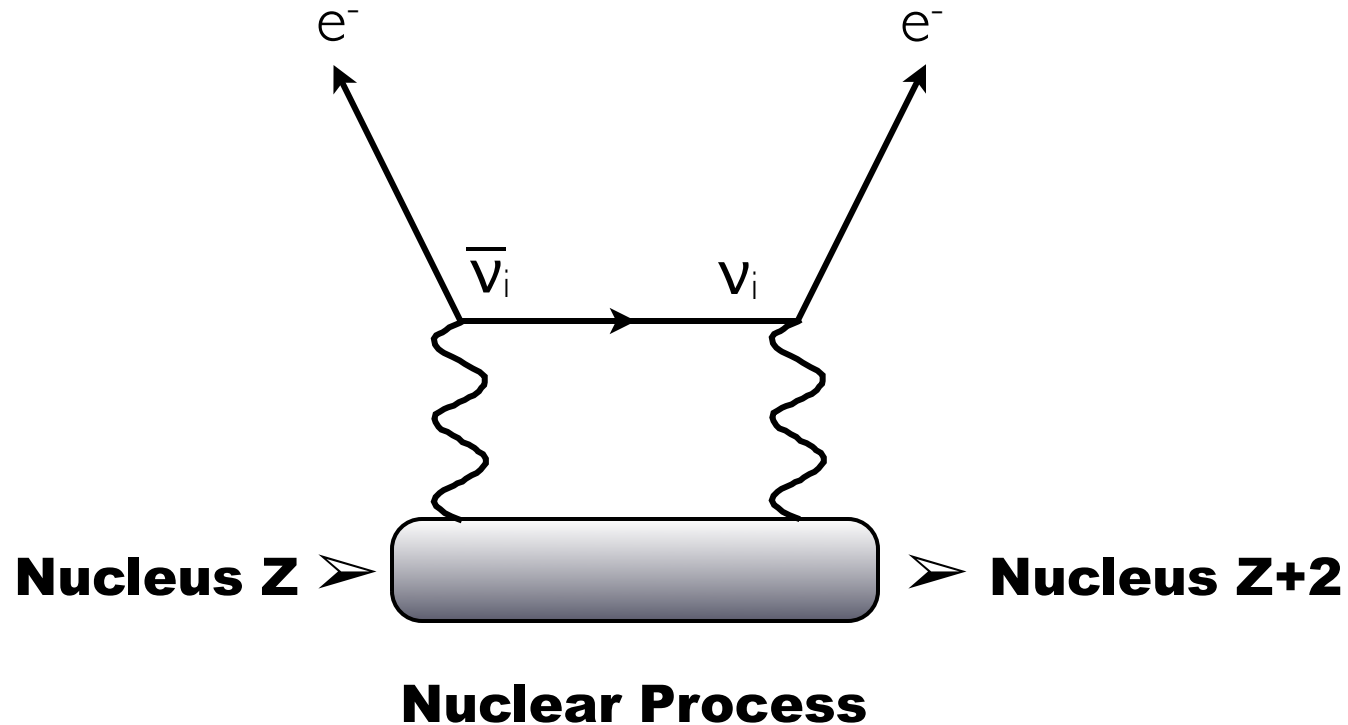
Discovering the Majorana Neutrino

*The Next Generation
Of
Experiments*

Lindley Winslow
UCLA

**At a neutrino conference,
this is the search for nothing.**

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay



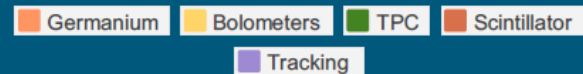
Light Majorana Neutrino Exchange

A Worldwide Effort

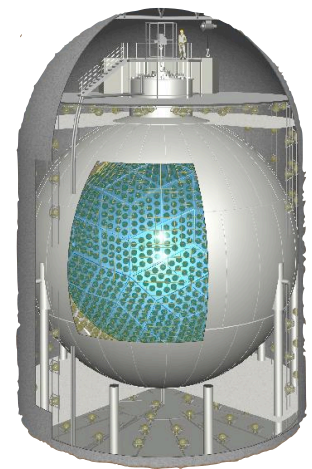
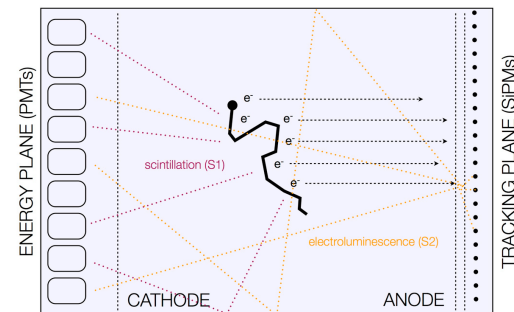
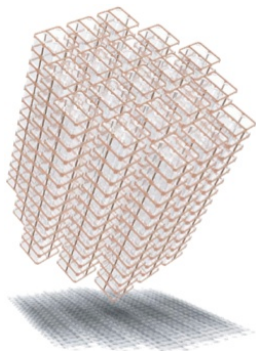
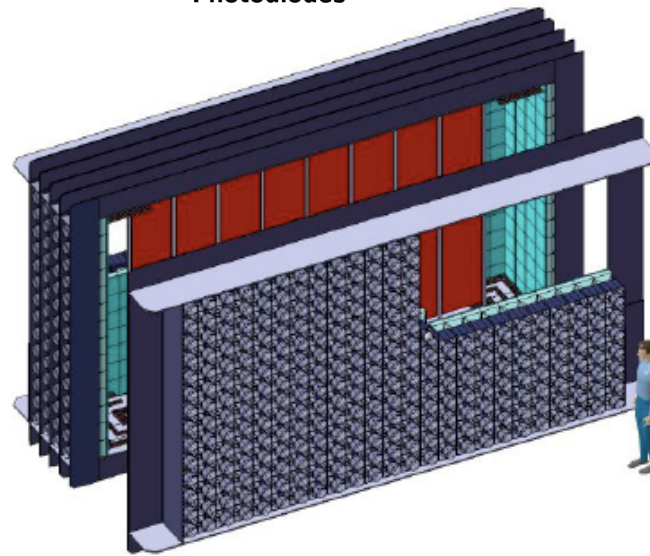
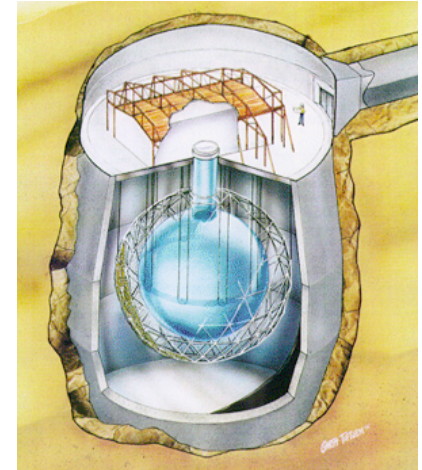
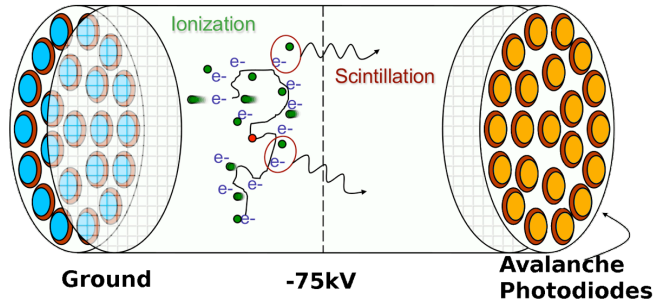
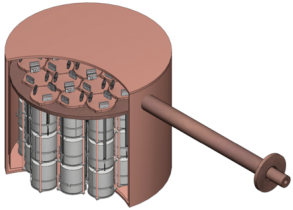


*Underground labs
around the world!*

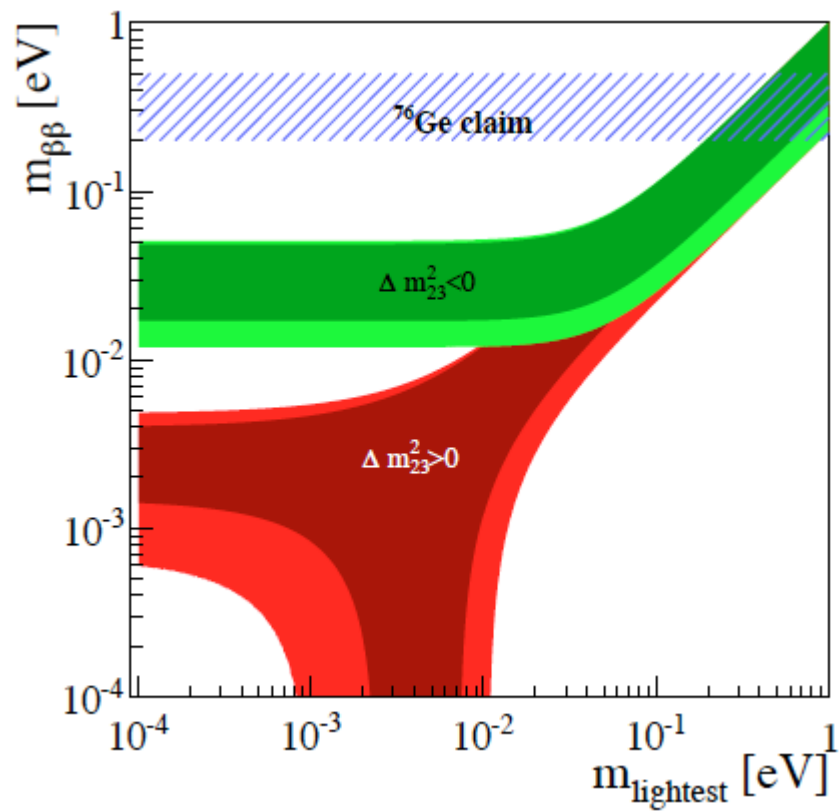
*Approximately 840
physicists!*



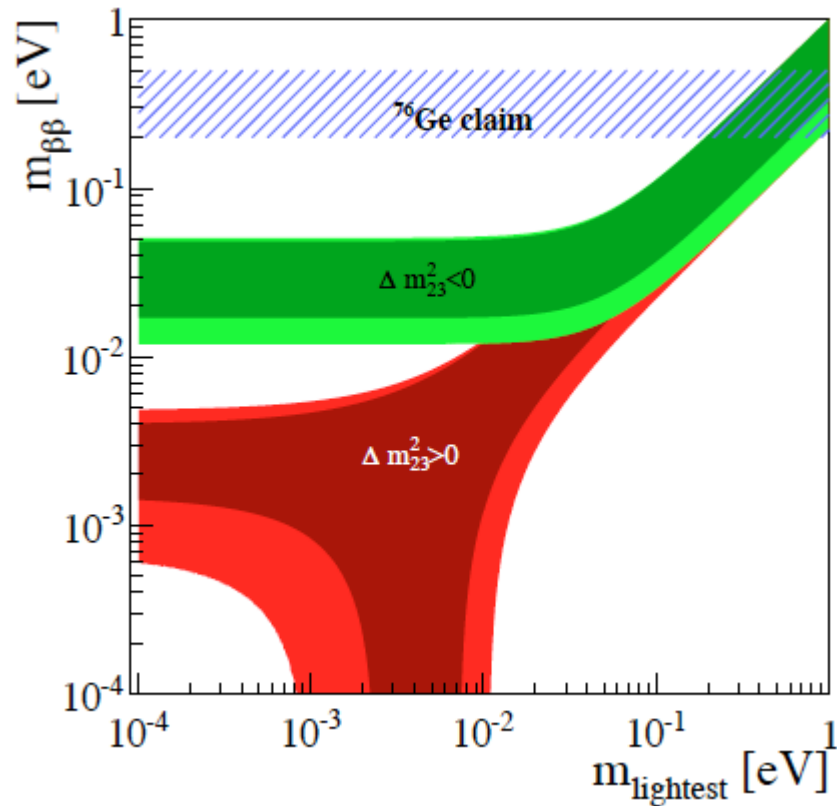
An explosion of technology!



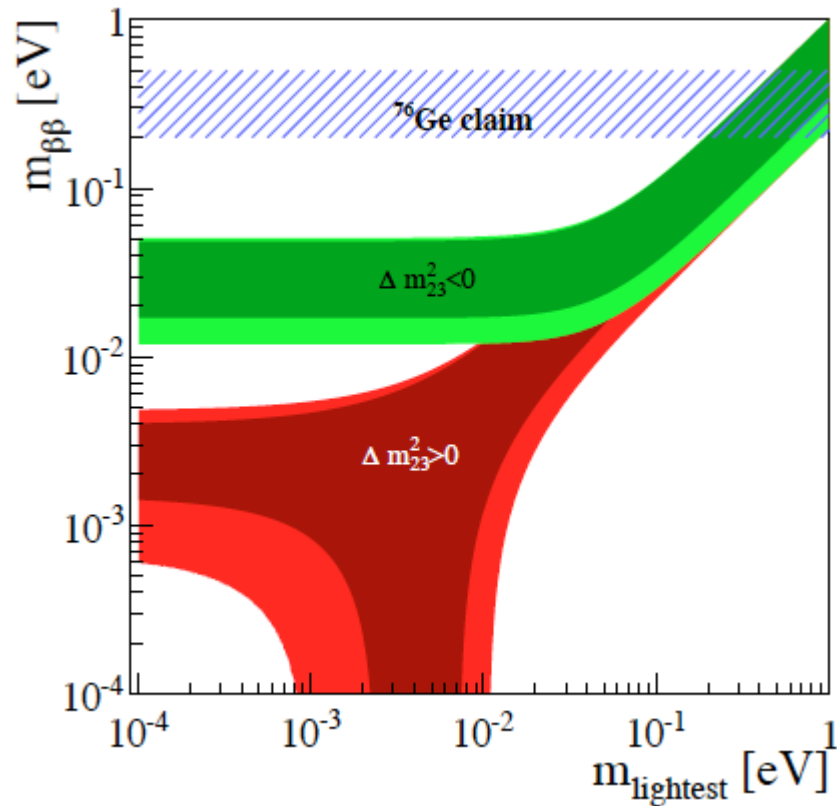
Where are we?



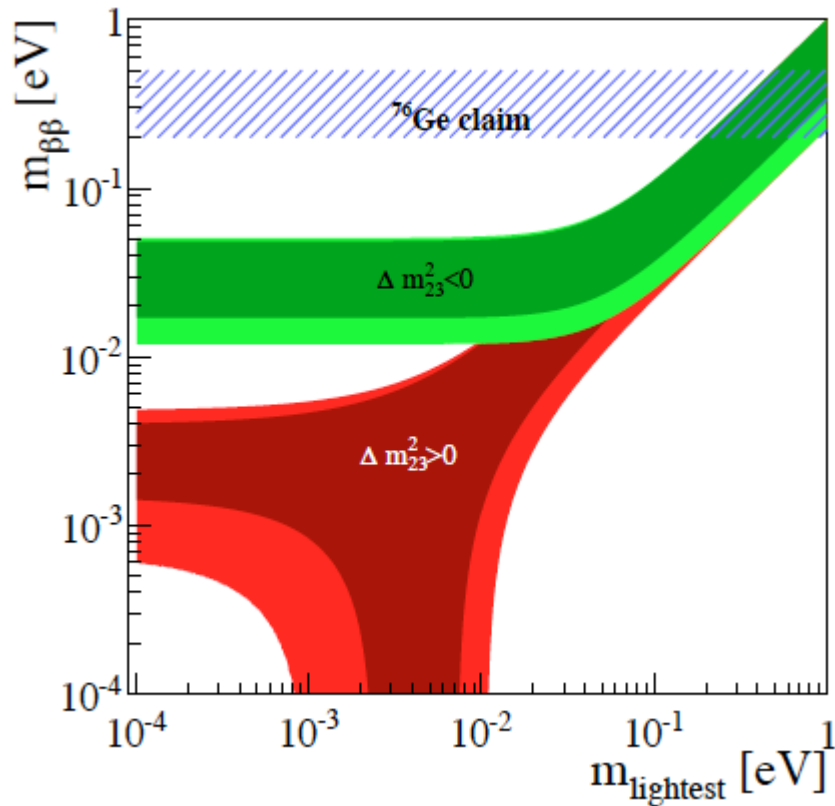
← **We are here.**



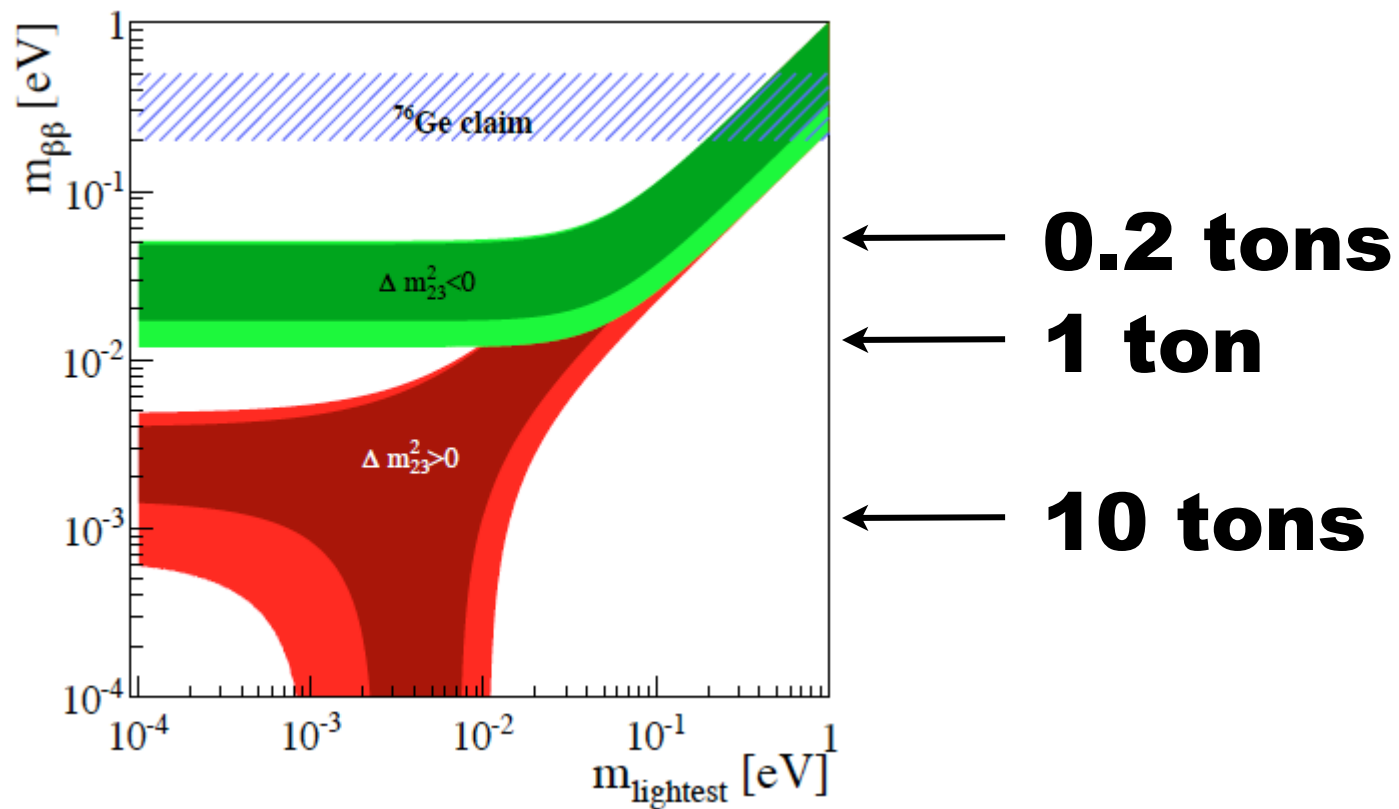
← **By 2018, we will be close to here with experiments currently under construction.**



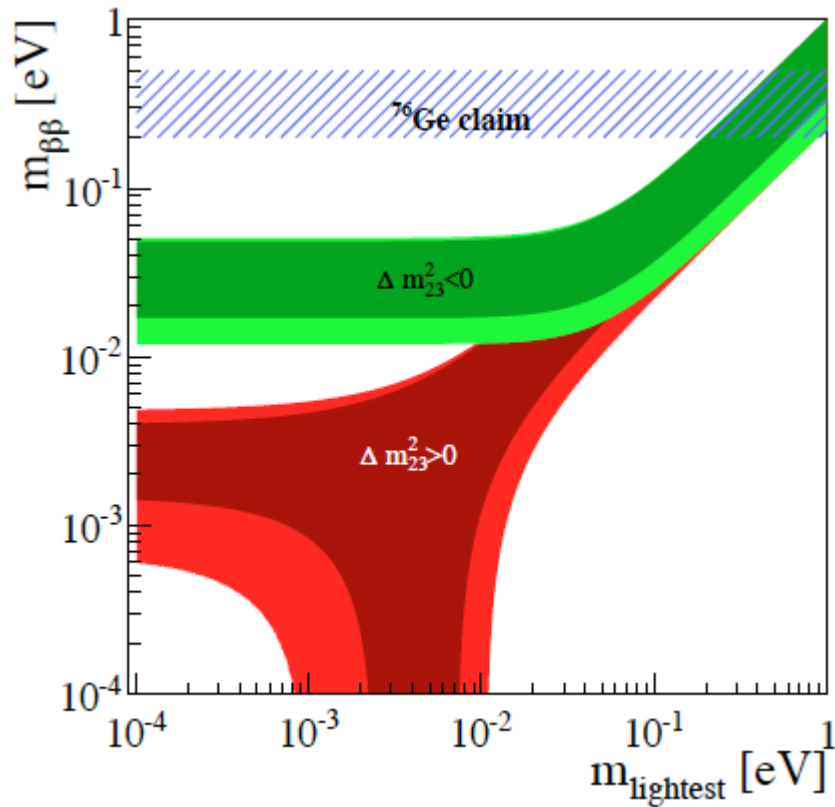
**By 2025, we hope
to eliminate
Majorana neutrinos
in the inverted
hierarchy.**



By 2035, some of us have begun to dream about getting to the normal hierarchy.



Warning: Factors of 5 hanging around.



Gen1	Gen2	Gen3
Now	2018	2025
0.2 ton	1 ton	10 ton
150 meV	15 meV	1.5 meV

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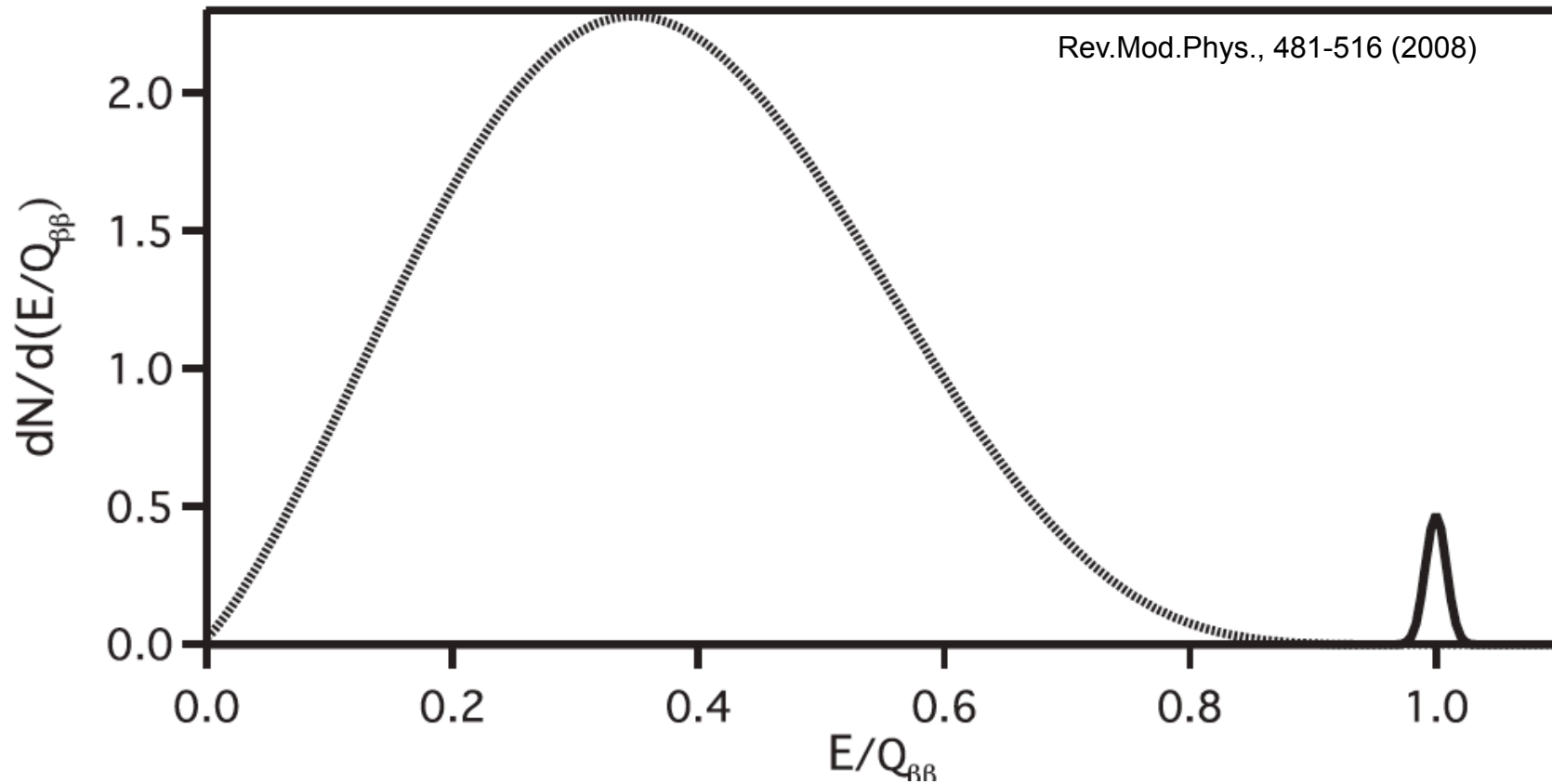
Report to the Nuclear Science Advisory Committee

http://science.energy.gov/~media/np/nsac/pdf/docs/2014/NLDBD_Report_2014_Final.pdf



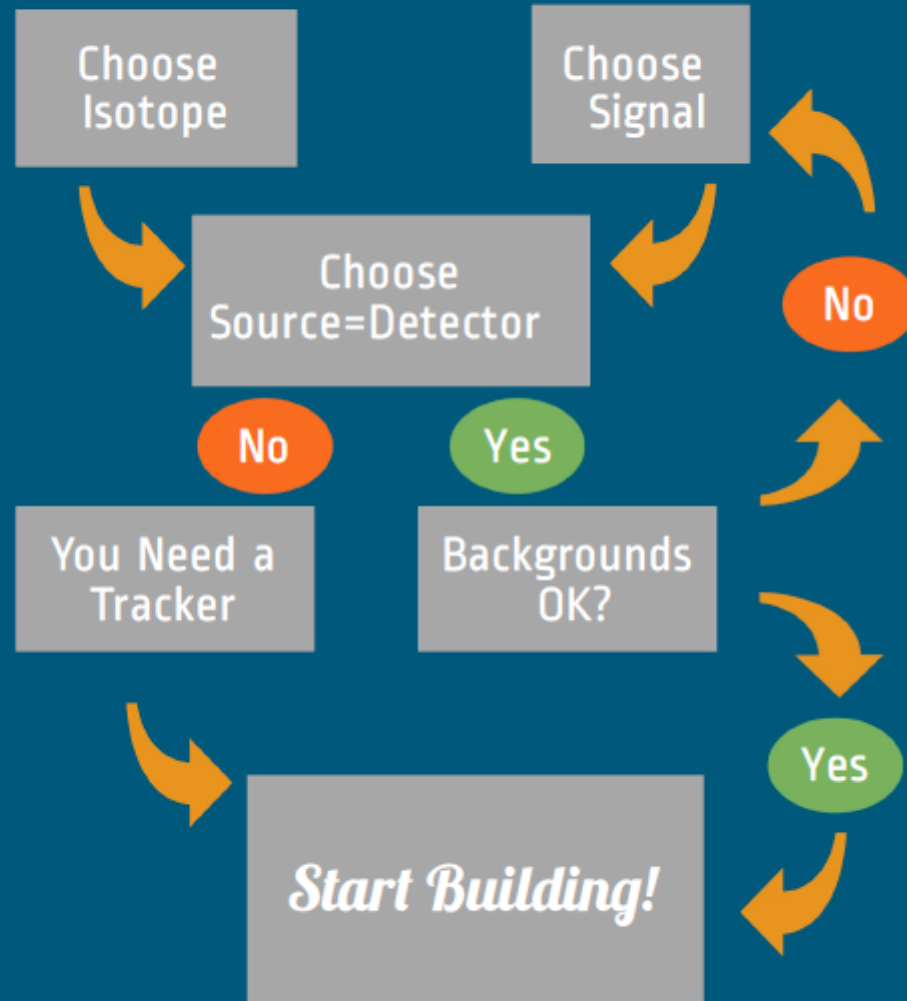
Each of the current approaches has technical advantages and each has significant remaining challenges to demonstrate sensitivity at a level suitable for covering the inverted neutrino mass hierarchy region. Based on the information provided to us, we judge that in a period of 2-3 years there will be much more information available from the results of these experiments. At that point one could assess the future prospects with much higher reliability than today.

We know exactly where to look.



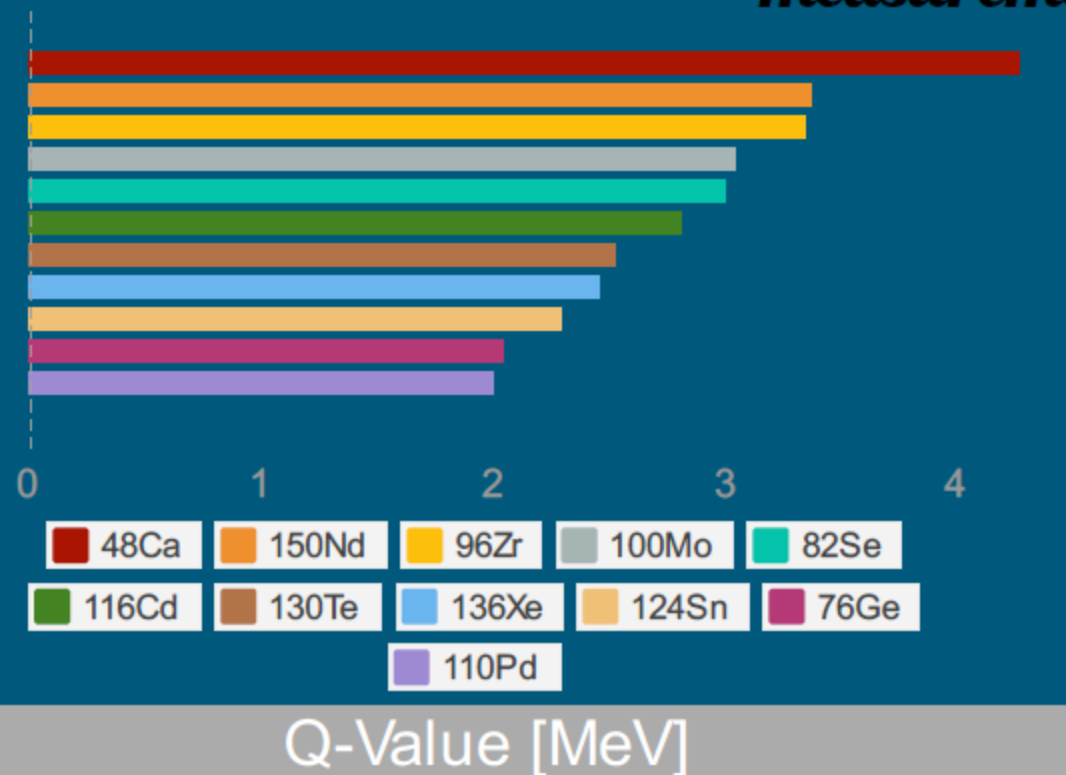
Why is it so hard to figure out what experiment to do next?

Design your own experiment



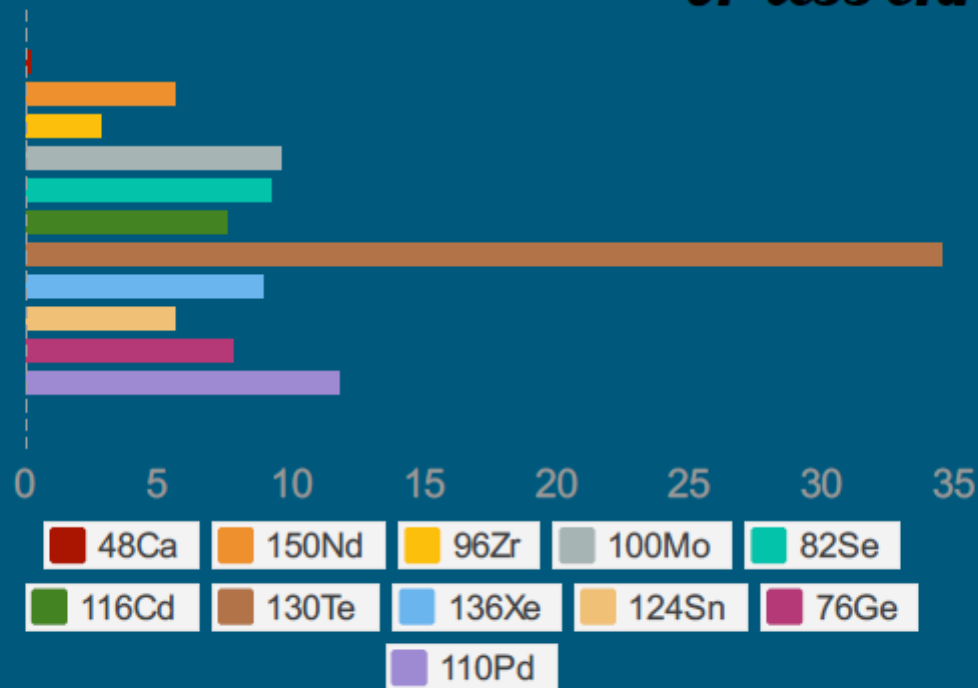
Choose an Isotope

*High Q-Value means a
higher rate and an easier
measurement!*



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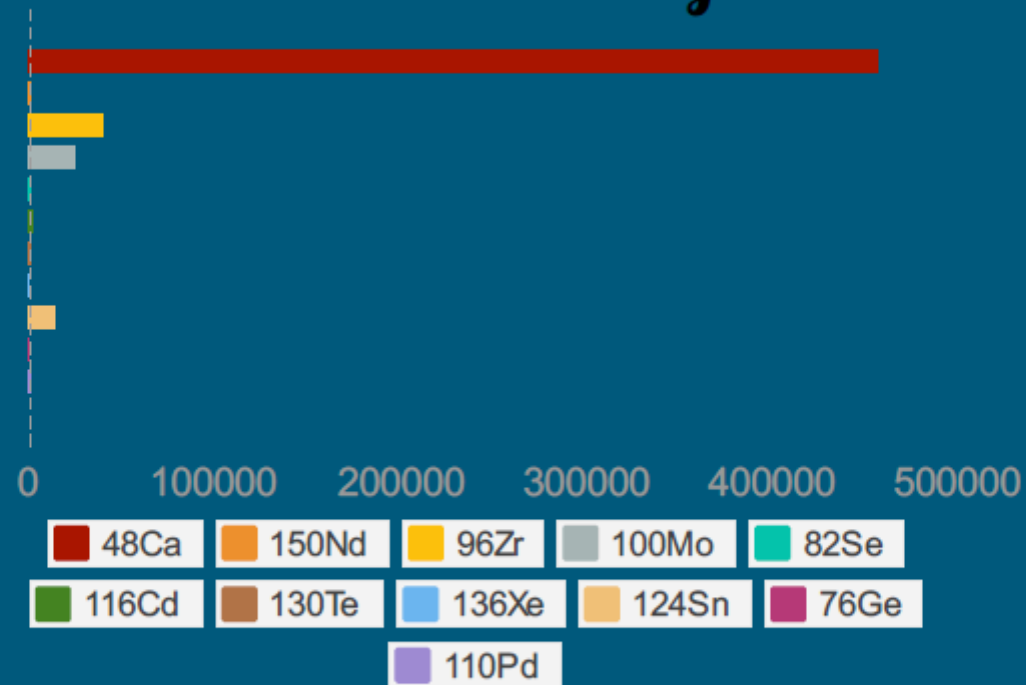
High natural abundance means a smaller detector or less enrichment!



Natural Abundance [%]

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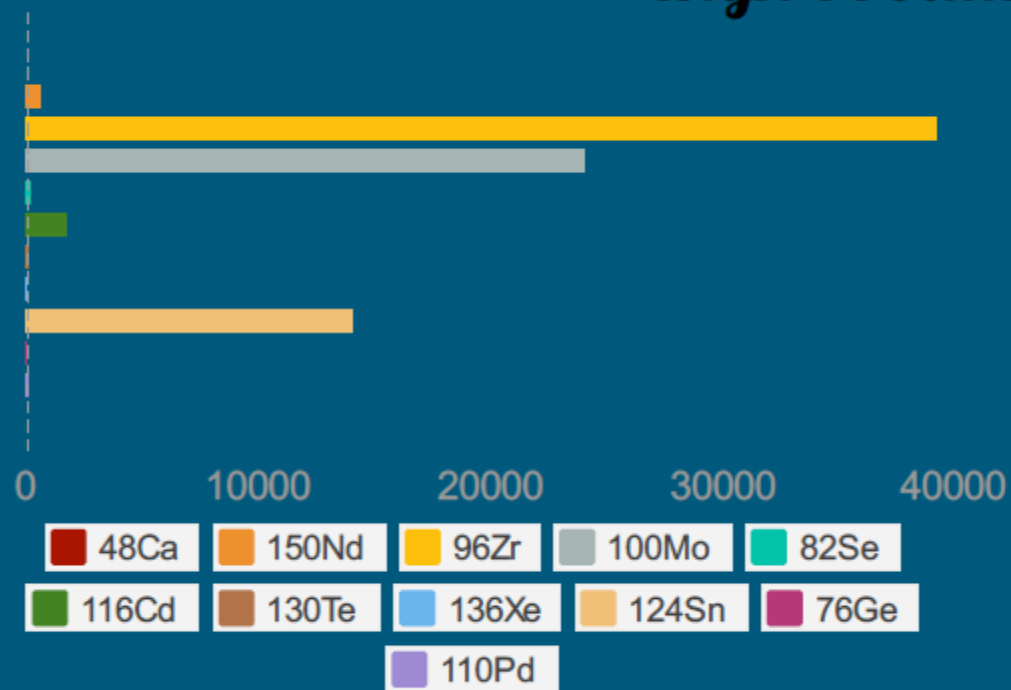
Highest Production



World Isotope Production [ton per year]

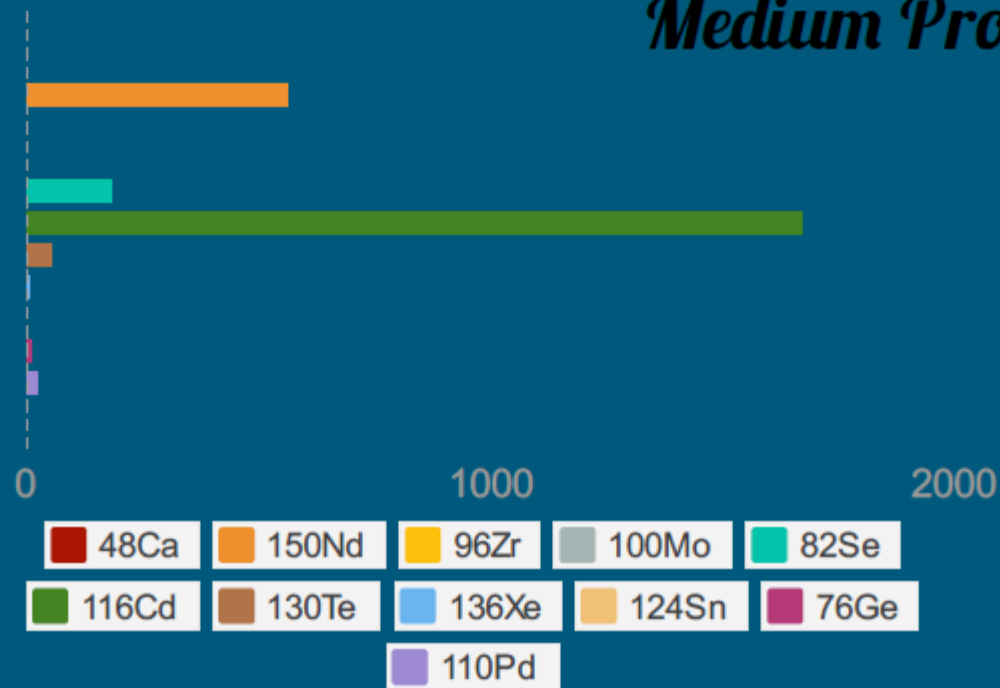
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High Production



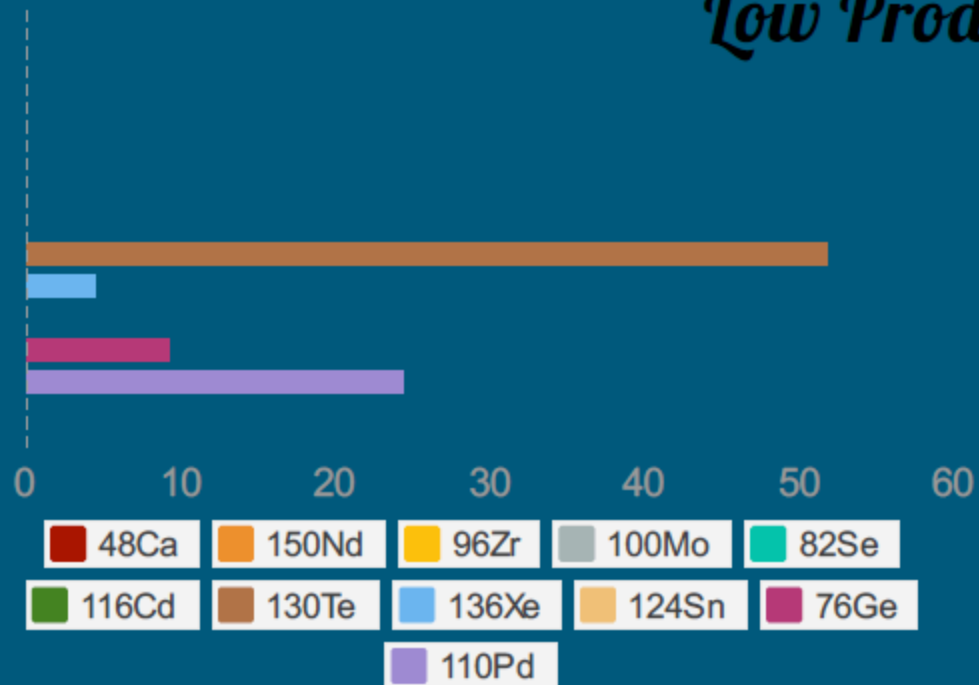
Choose an Isotope

Medium Production



Choose an Isotope

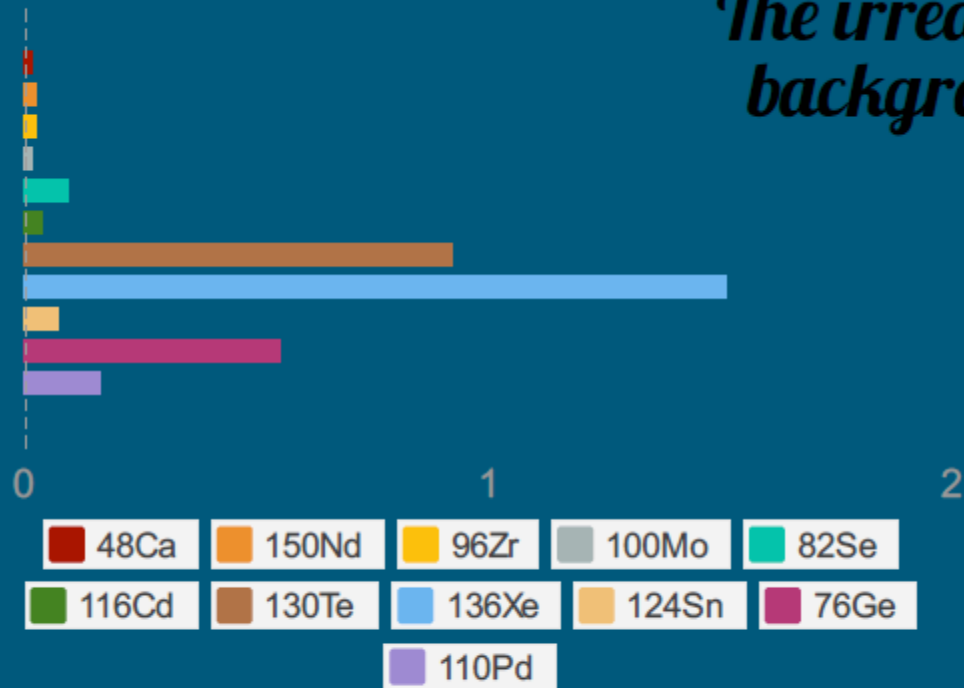
Low Production



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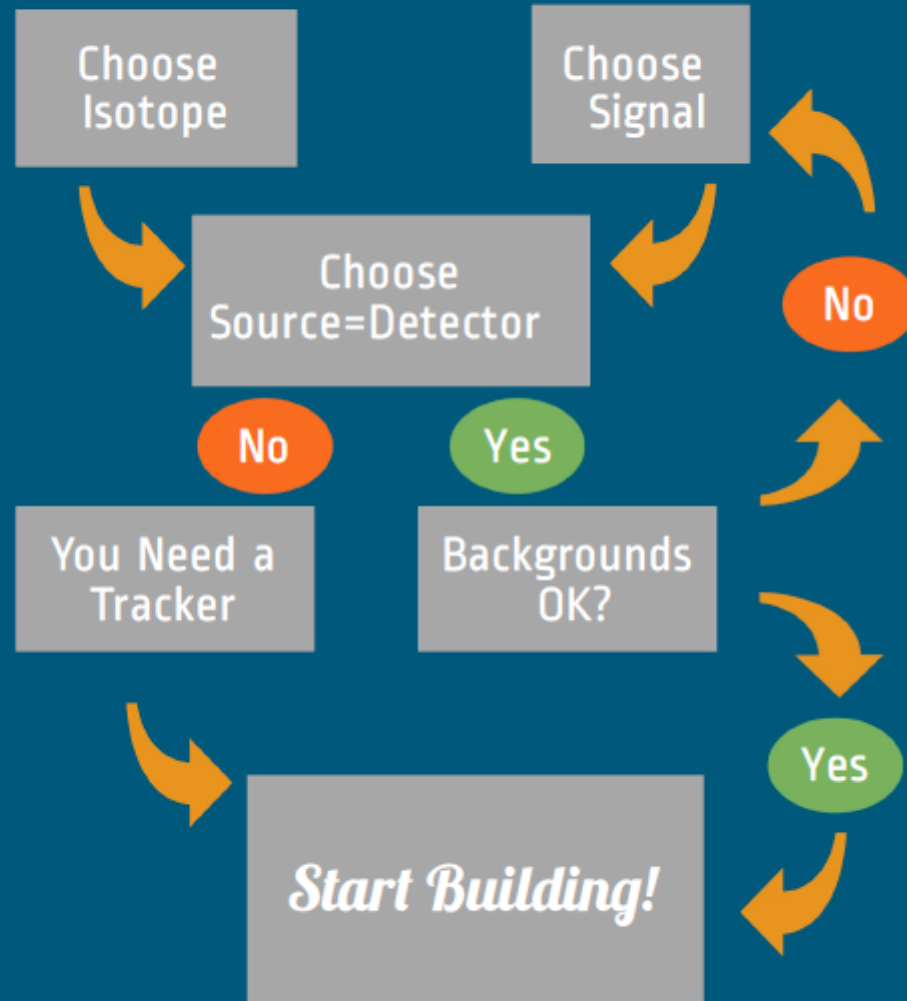
Choose an Isotope

The irreducible background!



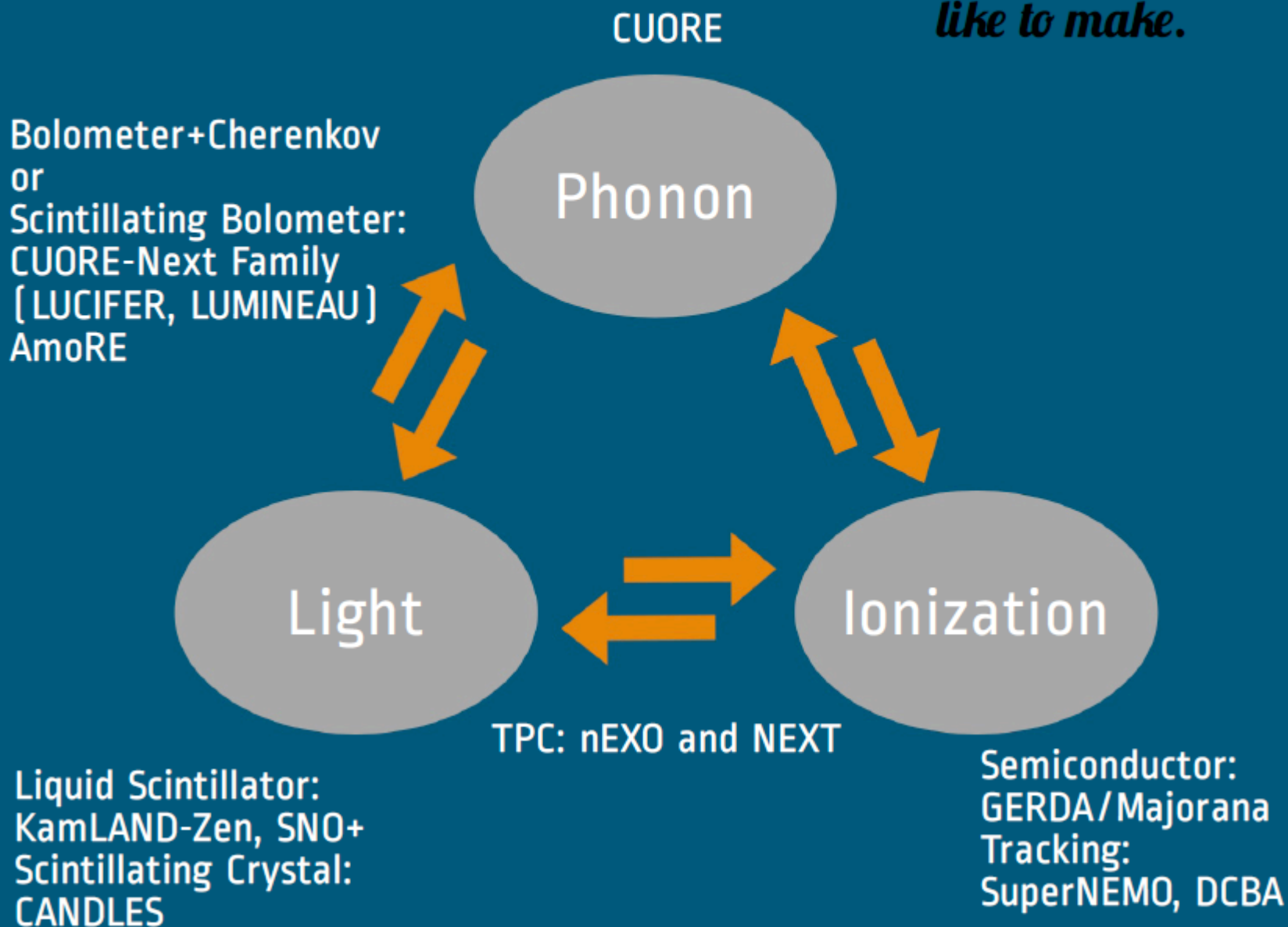
Ratio 0nuBB to 2nuBB

Design your own experiment



Choose a Signal:

A diagram that the direct dark matter experiments like to make.

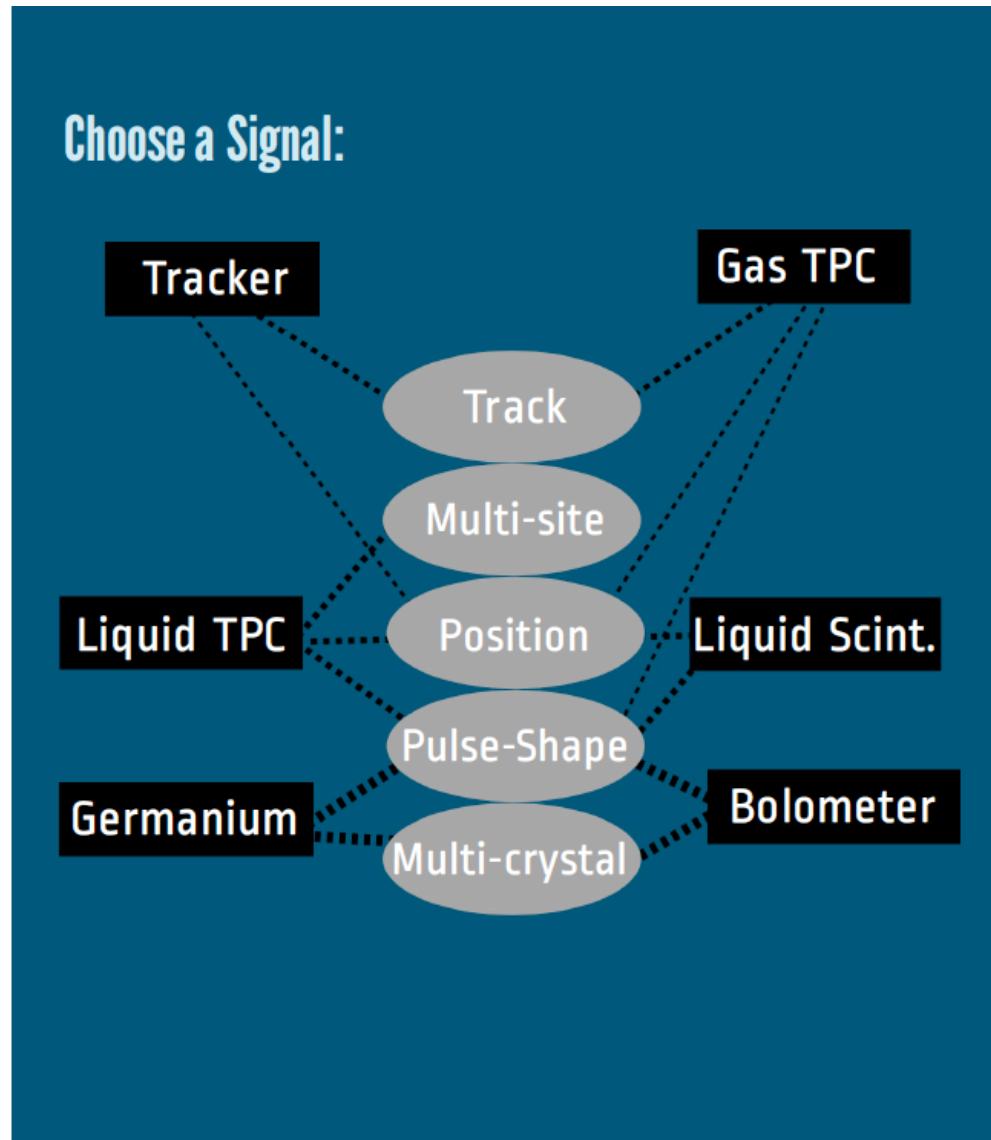


**An aside, most of these
detectors are perfectly good
dark matter detectors just
optimized differently.**



Does not seem cost effective to
combine efforts in Gen2.

My attempt at a better diagram:



**The Gen1 experiments are
teaching us that these
techniques can be powerful...**

... and the experiment with the best energy resolution is not necessarily the best route forward.

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An orange ribbon banner with a 3D effect, featuring a central rectangular section and two pointed ends that trail off to the left and right.

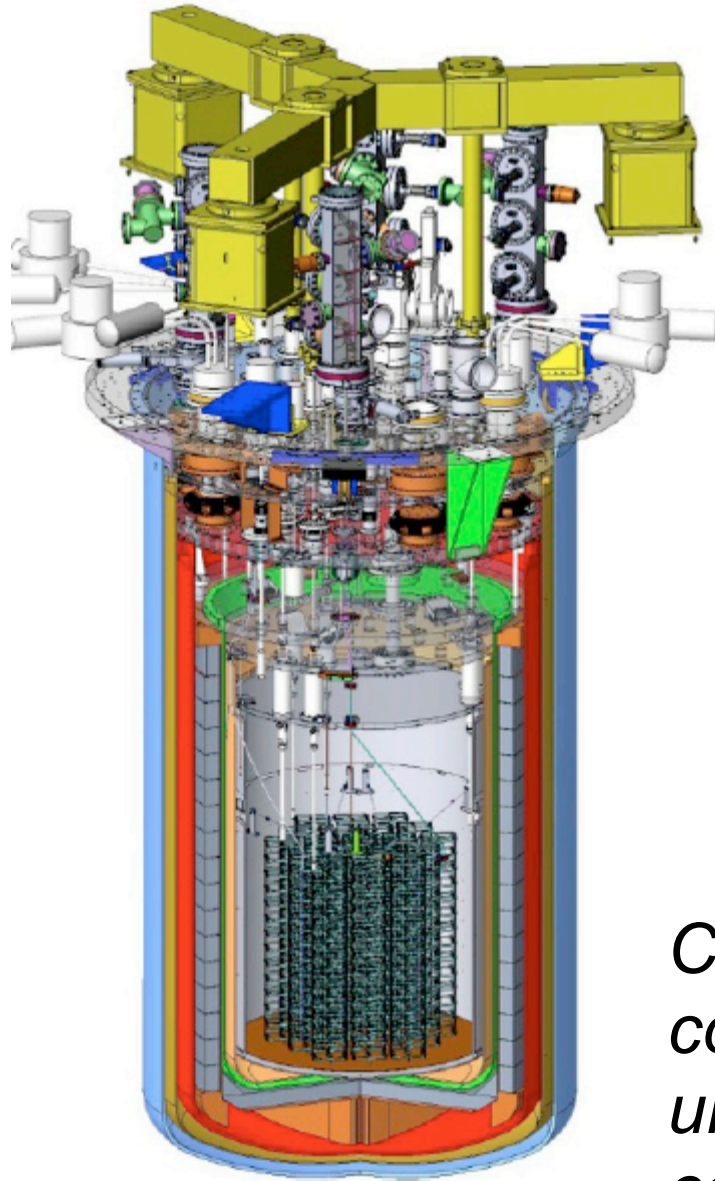
The Experiments

Most Intricate



Simplest

The Bolometers



CUORE will be the coldest 1m³ in the universe when its complete.



Pros and Cons of Bolometers

- Pros
 - Source = detector
 - ☞ High detection efficiency for $0\nu\beta\beta$
 - High intrinsic energy resolution
 - ☞ $<0.2\%$ FWHM, comparable to HPGe
 - Possibility to operate with multiple isotopes
 - Opportunities for particle identification with the same readout technique
 - ☞ Light detection with bolometers (see L. Cardani's talk)
 - Scalable to ~ 1000 s of detectors
 - Rejection of multi-site events by vetoing coincidence between detectors
- Cons
 - Slow time response: need low backgrounds
 - Limited fiducialization of events
 - Limited self-shielding
 - Costs grow (roughly) linearly with detector mass

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Phonon

Bolometer+Cherenkov
or
Scintillating Bolometer:
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Light

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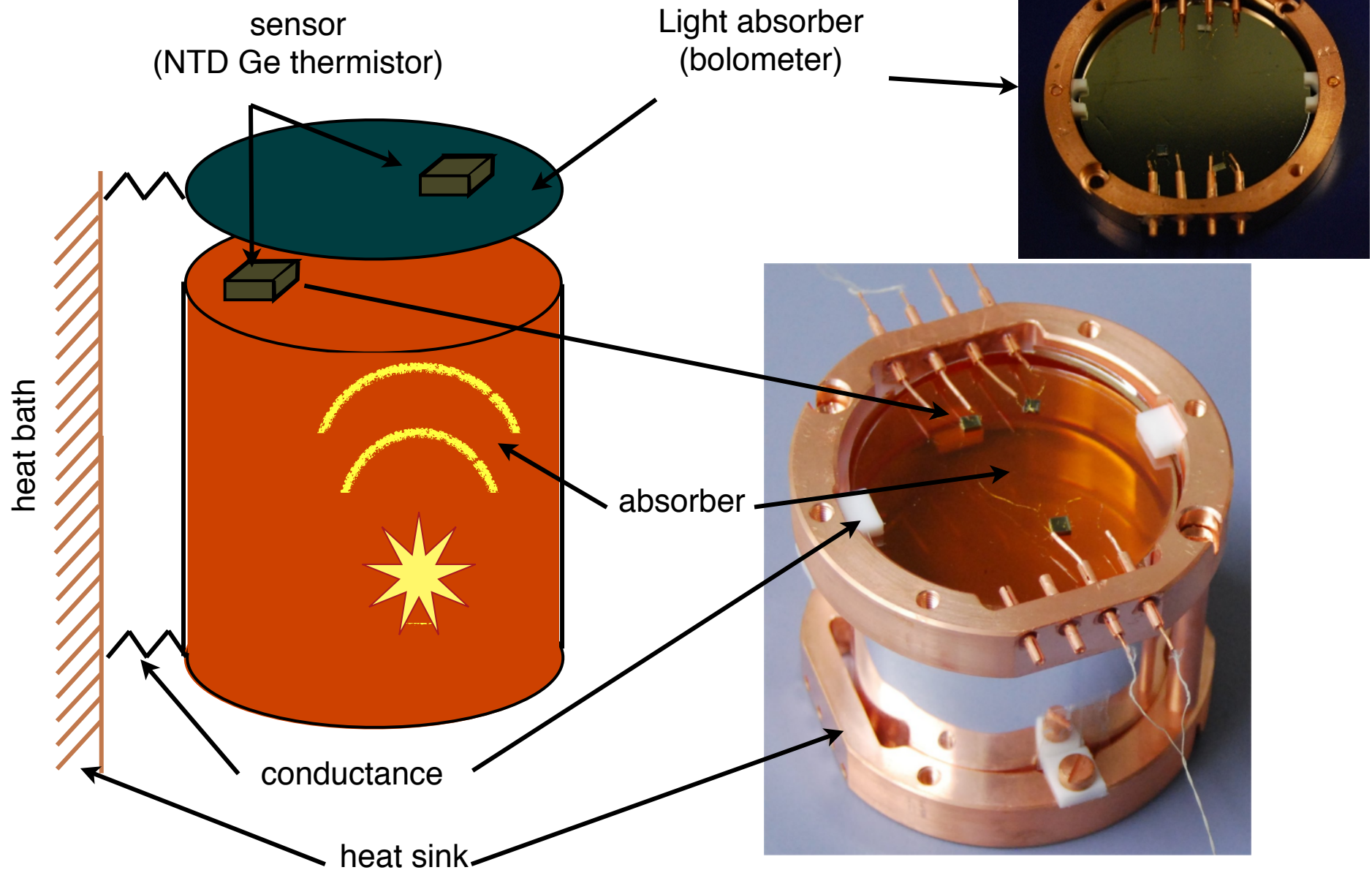
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Scintillating Bolometers



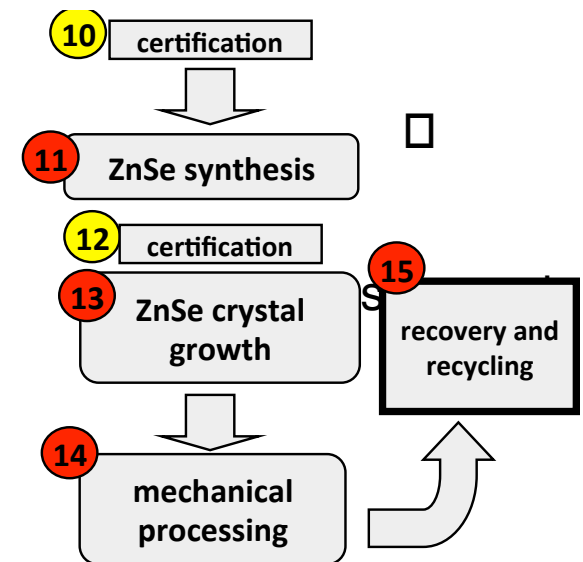
**The CUORE-Next Family:
LUCIFER and LUMINEU**

LUCIFER

- ERC Advanced Grant n. 247115
 - ▶ Budget: 3.2 M€
 - ▶ Project duration: 01.03.2010-01.03.2015
- Goal: demonstrator of an experiment with bkg.~1cts/ton/y/keV with sensitivity comparable to next generation experiment.
- Scintillating bolometers technique
 - ▶ Alfa background rejection thanks to the scintillation light
- Crystals:
 - ▶ Primary choice: ZnSe with enriched Se at 95% in ^{82}Se (Q=2997 keV, i.a.=8.7%)
 - ▶ Secondary choice: ZnMoO₄ (Q=3034 keV, i.a.=9.6%)

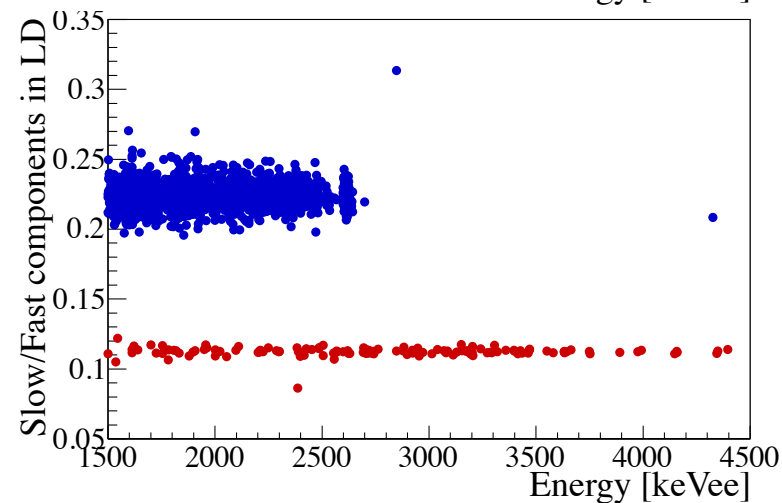
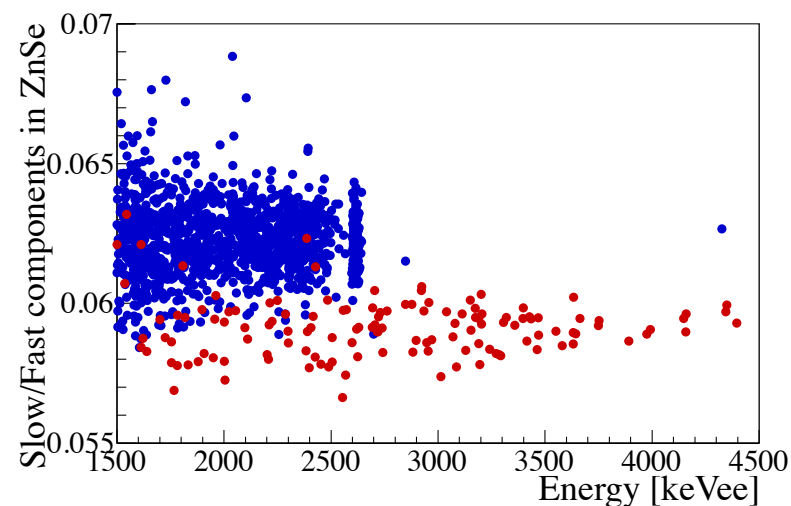
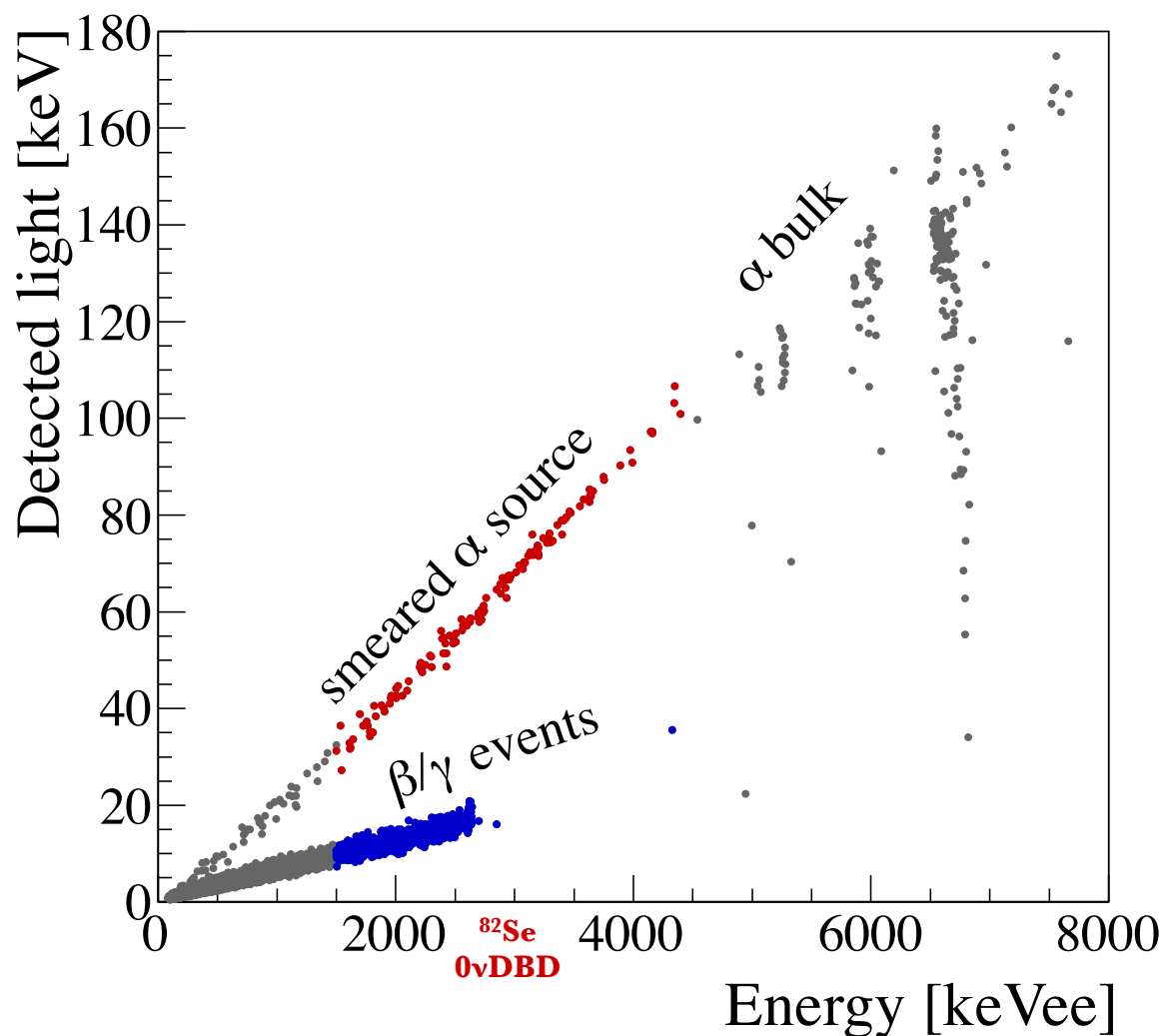
Synthesis & crystal growth

- Crystal dimension fixed: cylinder $\varnothing=45\text{mm}$, $h=55\text{mm}$, $w=460.7\text{g}(\text{nat Se})$,
- [SmiLab Ltd\(Ukraine\)](#): only supplier able to perform synthesis and crystal growth
- Crystals growth is difficult:
 - High melting point(1525°C) & total vapor pressure($\sim 2\text{Bar}$) deviation from stoichiometry
 - Very difficult control of local temperature defects
- Required **efficiency** of growth and processing **> 65%**
- Smilab not able to reach such efficiency: **TPY $\sim 22\%$**
- Alternative supplier ISMA Kharkov is being tested.

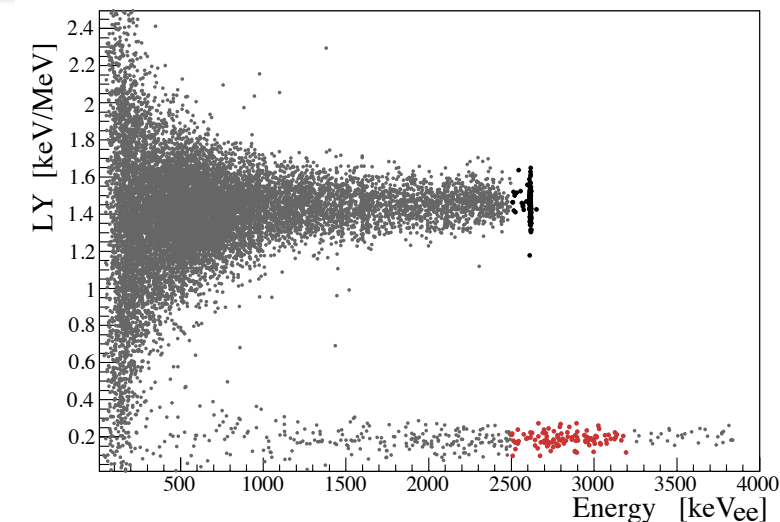


ZnSe

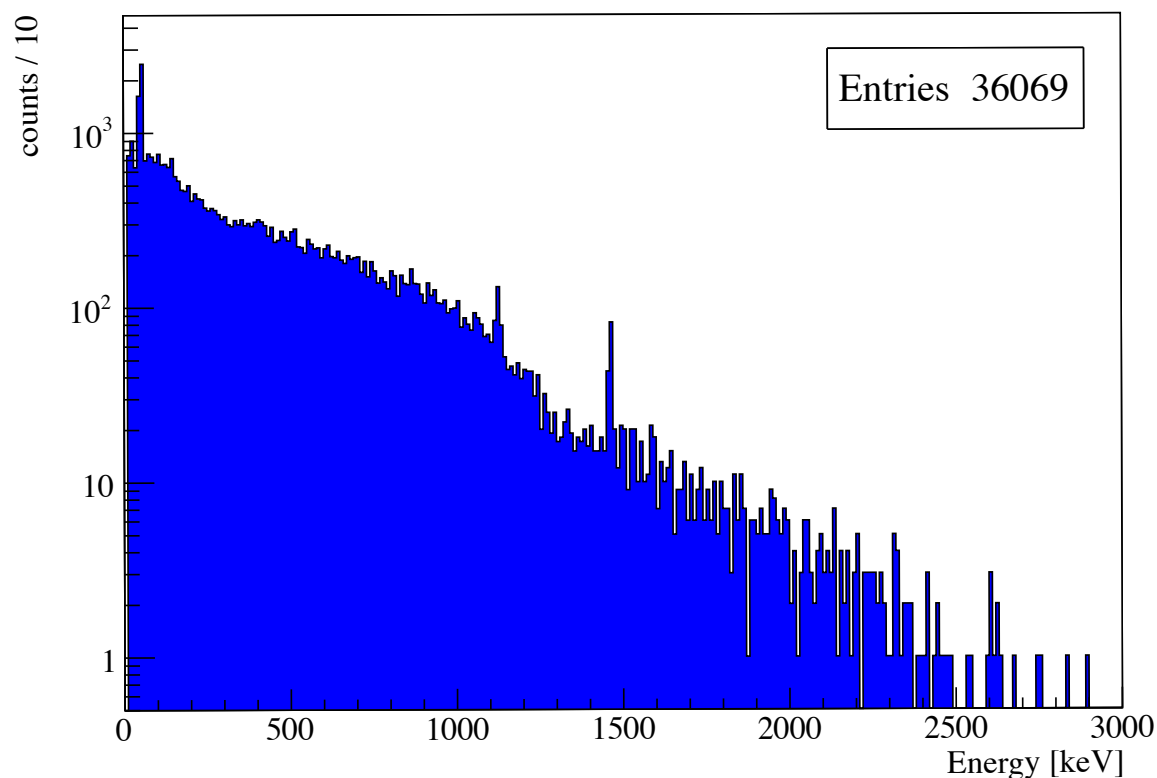
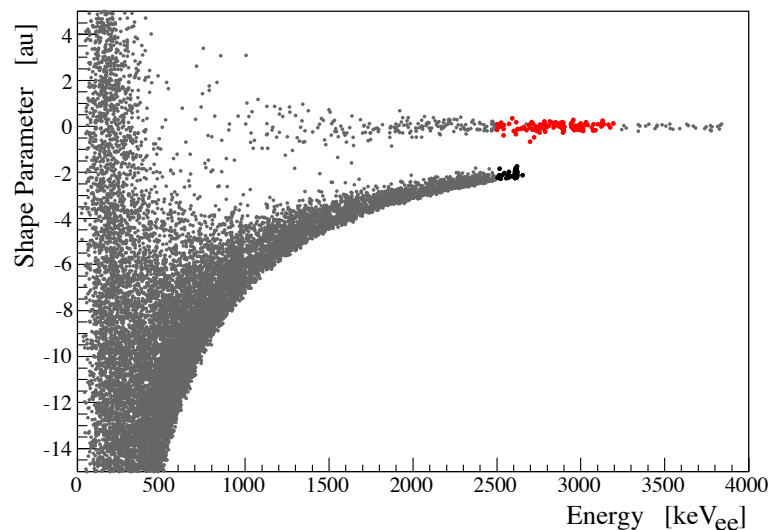
- 430 g ZnSe crystal JINST 1305 (2013) P05021
- LY ~ 6.5 keV/MeV for β/γ , QFa ~ 4 , poor light collection \square pulse shape discrimination on light detector



ZnMoO₄



m=330 g
FWHM= 6 keV, LY~1.5 keV/MeV, QF~0.17
Ur, Th cont.< 6μBq/kg



- First measurement of 2ν ^{100}Mo decay published *J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys.* **41** 075204.
- MOU between INFN, IN2P3, ITEP: common interest for an experiment based on ~ 10 kg of ZnMoO₄ with 95% enriched ^{100}Mo .

June 2014

LUMINEU summary

Luminescent **U**nderground **M**olybdenum **I**nvestigation for **NEU**trino mass and nature

Funded by Agence Nationale de la Recherche (France)

Collaboration: **France** (Orsay, Saclay, ICMCB Bordeaux), **Ukraine** (KINR Kiev), **Russia** (NIIC Novosibirsk), **Germany** (Heidelberg) ; about 40 physicists - engineers

Aim: Set the bases for a **next-generation neutrinoless double-beta** decay experiment for the study of the isotope ^{100}Mo embedded in **ZnMoO₄ scintillating bolometers**

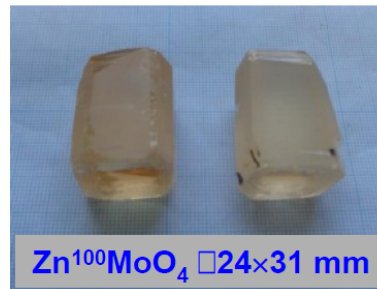
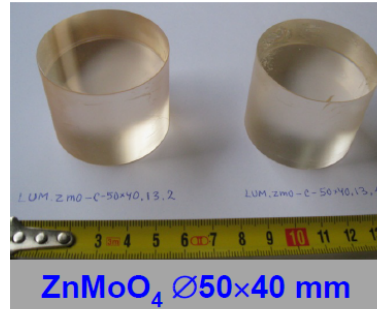
Current activity on new regular-shape natural crystals and enriched crystals

New ZnMoO_4 LUMINEU crystals have been grown in NIIC (Russia) by using LTG Cz

- Improved ZnMoO_4 (2×338 g) were produced. A boule was grown, melted and then crystallized again. Molybdenum was purified by using double recrystallization from solutions [1]
- First $\text{Zn}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ boule was developed from deeply purified ^{100}Mo and two samples (64 and 61 g) were produced [2]

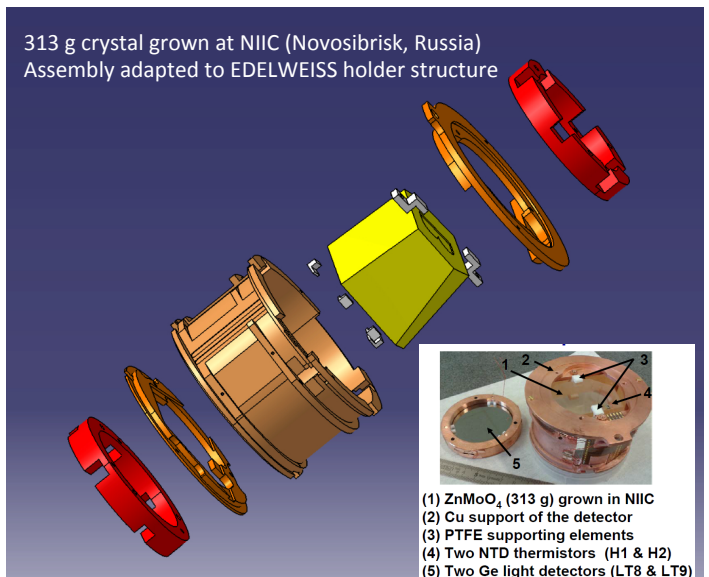
New bolometers based on two improved ZnMoO_4 and first $\text{Zn}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ crystals will be tested soon at the LSM

[arXiv:1405.6937v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1405.6937v1) [physics.ins-det]



Assembly of a 313 g natural ZMO detector

313 g crystal grown at NIIC (Novosibirsk, Russia)
Assembly adapted to EDELWEISS holder structure



AMoRE-200

YangYang(Y2L) Underground Laboratory

(Upper Dam)

YangYang Pumped
Storage Power Plant

1000m

700m

(Power Plant)



양양양수발전소

(Lower Dam)

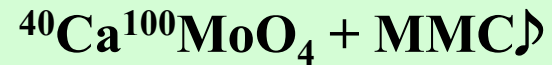
KIMS (Dark Matter Search)

AMoRE (Double Beta Decay Experiment)

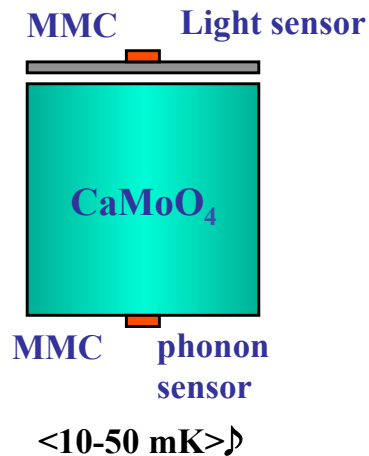
Minimum depth : 700 m / Access to the lab by car (~2km)



AMoRE detector technology



Low Temp. Detector
Source = Detector



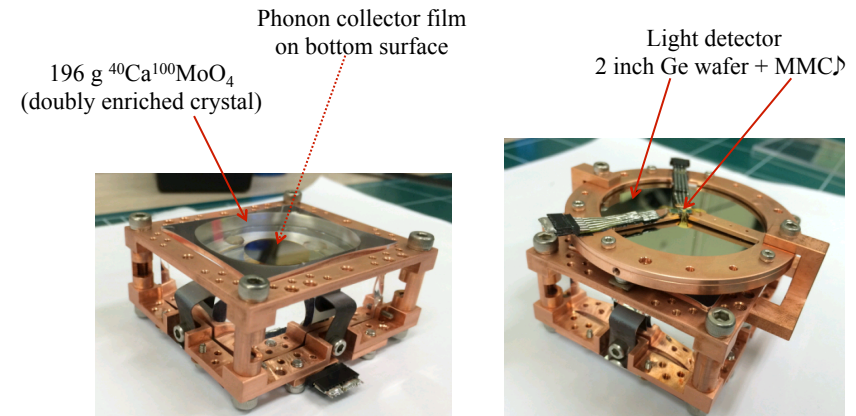
CaMoO₄

- Scintillating crystal
- High Debye temperature: $T_D = 438 \text{ K}$, $C \sim (T/T_D)^3$
- ^{48}Ca , ^{100}Mo $0\nu\beta\beta$ candidates
- AMoRE uses $^{40}\text{Ca}^{100}\text{MoO}_4$ w. enriched ^{100}Mo and depleted ^{48}Ca

MMC (Metallic Magnetic Calorimeter)

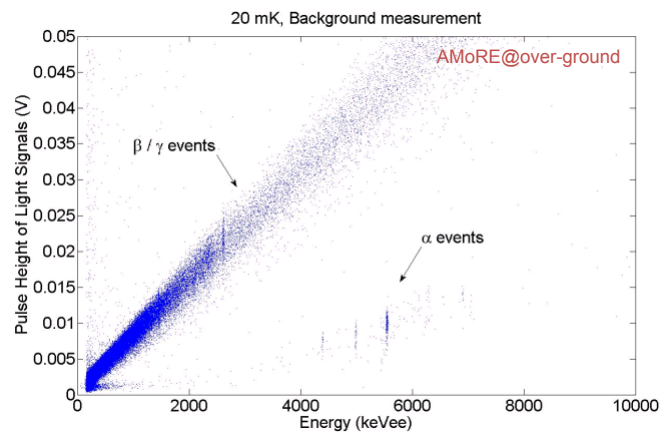
- Magnetic temperature sensor (Au:Er) + SQUID
- Sensitive low temperature detector with highest resolution
- Wide operating temperature
- Relatively fast signals
- Adjustable parameters in design and operation stages

Detector assembly

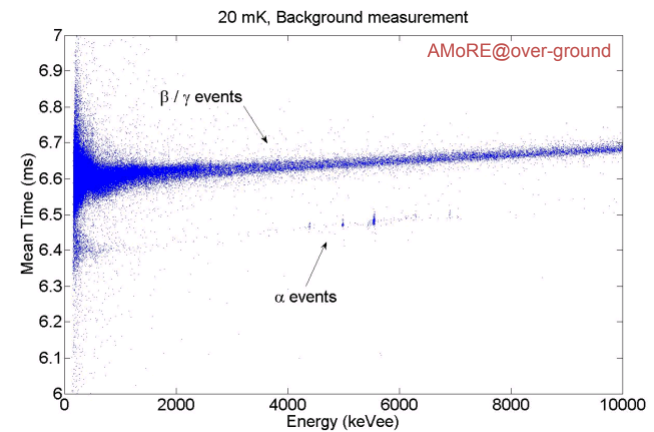


The latest results!

Phonon vs Light



PSD with phonon only



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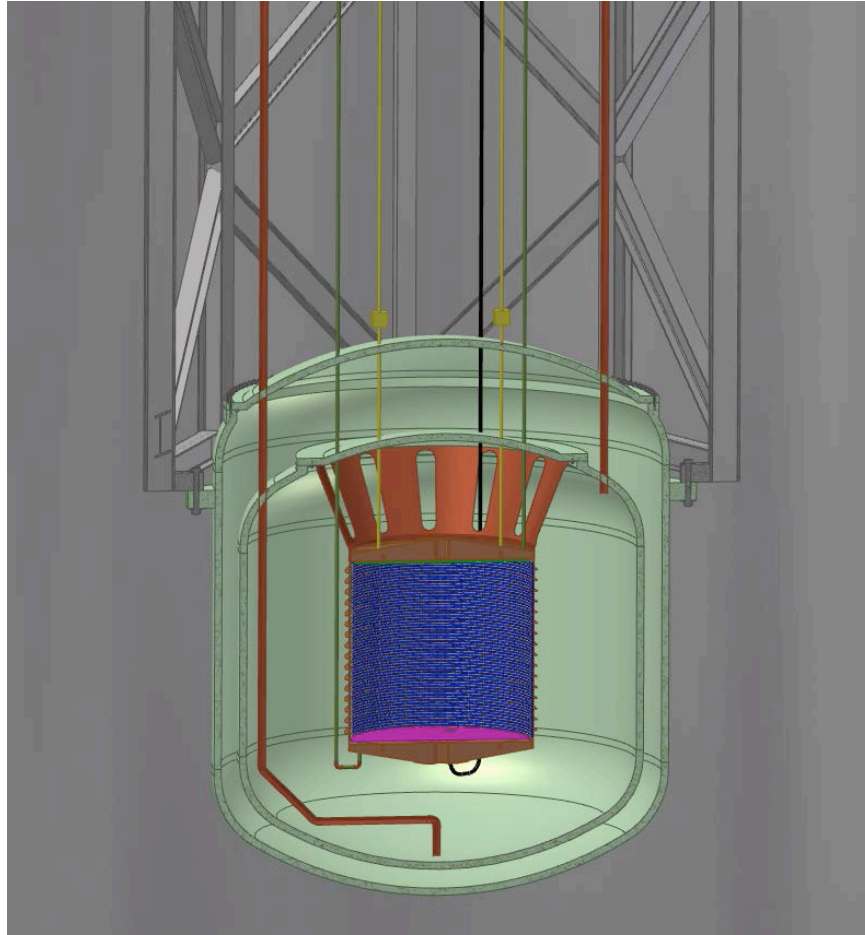
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The Liquid TPC



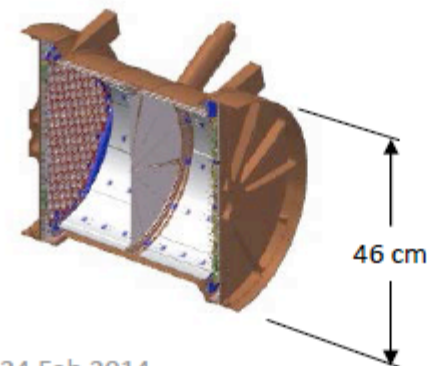
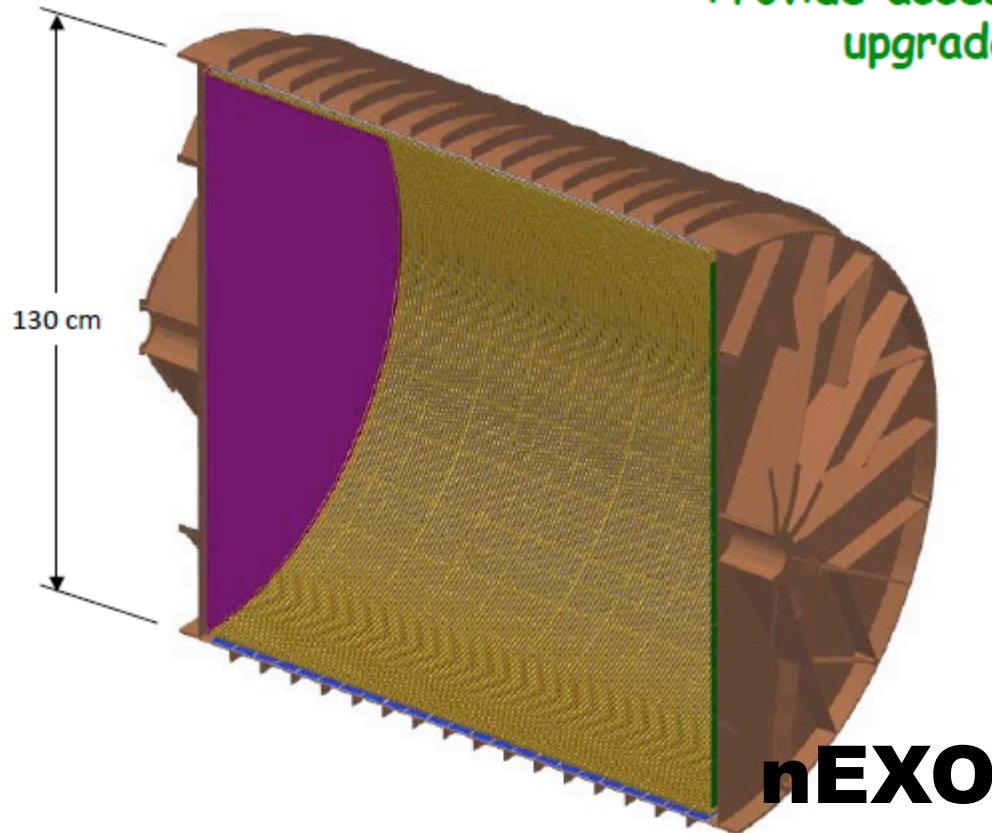
nEXO

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- 5 tonnes of ^{enr}Xe : entirely cover inverted hierarchy (more later)

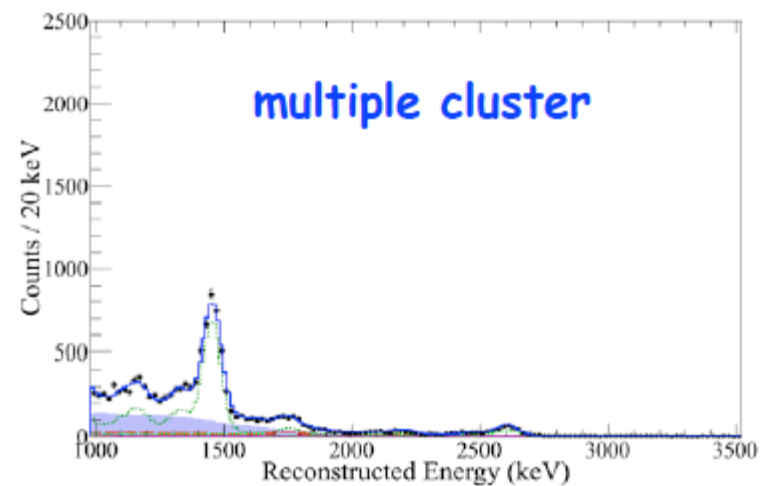
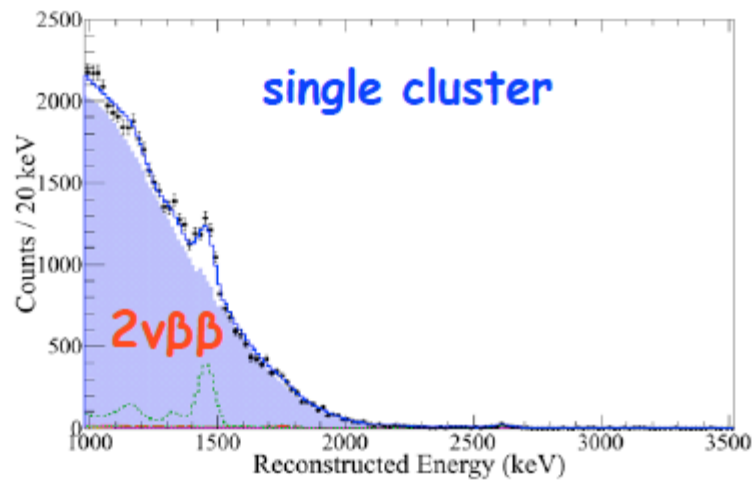
- LXe TPC "as similar to EXO-200 as possible"
- Provide access ports for a possible later upgrade to Ba tagging

→ A unique combination of conservative and aggressive design with important upgrade paths as desirable for a large experiment

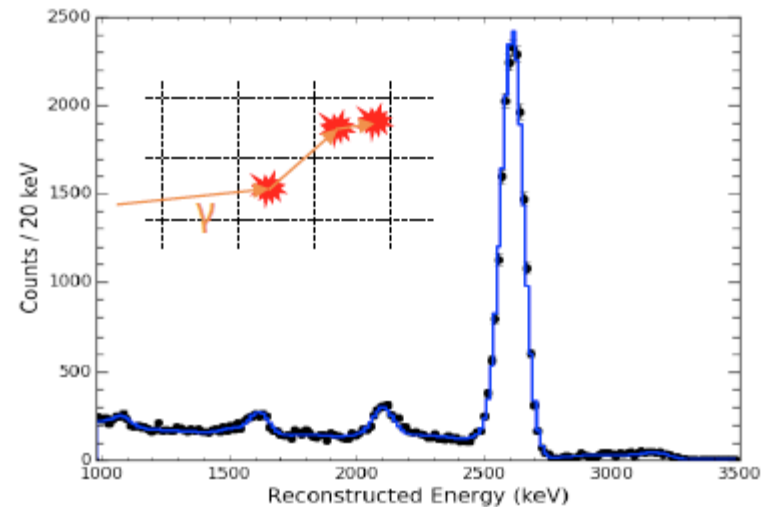
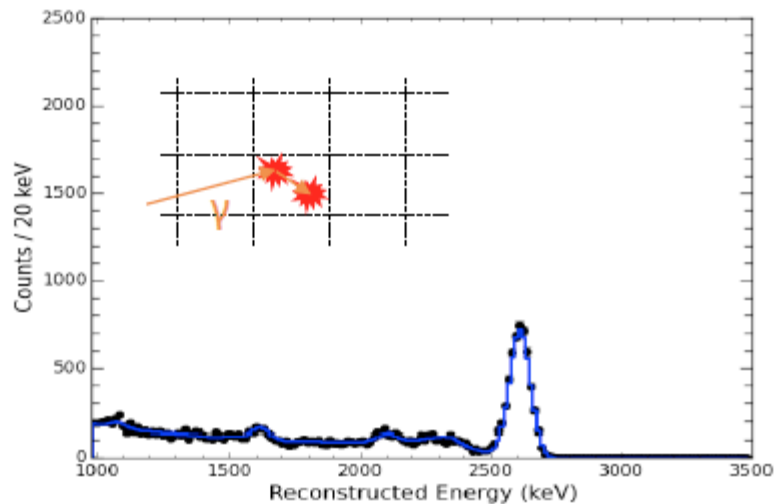


Tracking: an essential tool to identify and suppress backgrounds

Low background
data



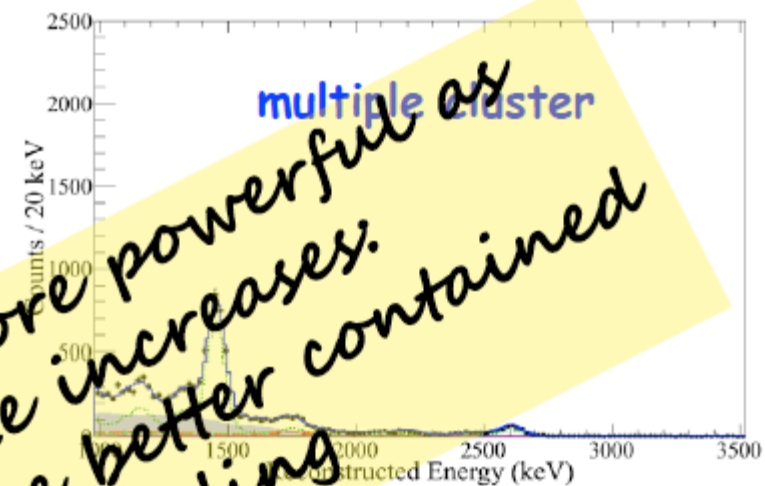
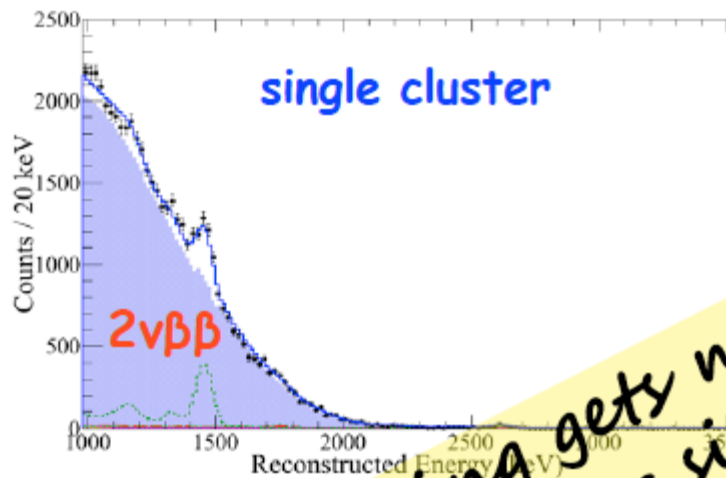
^{228}Th calibration
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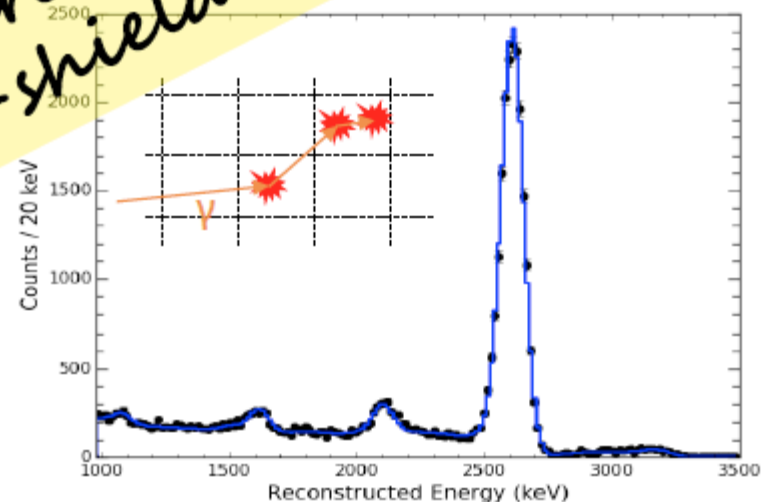
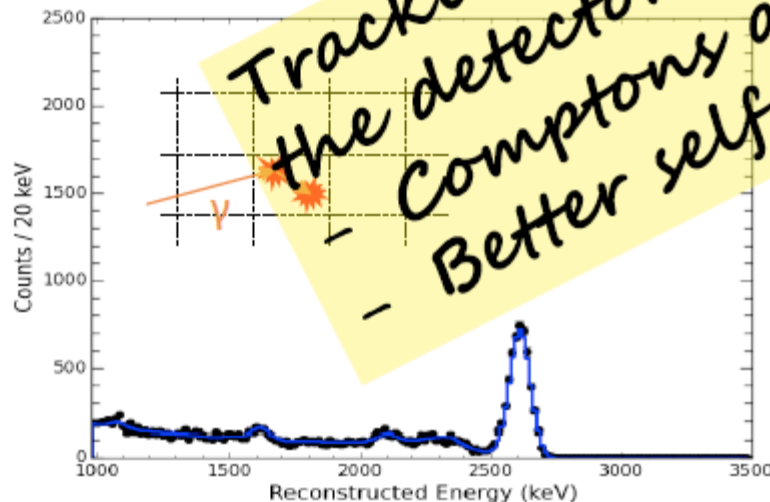
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Tracking gets more powerful as the detector size increases:
- Comptons are better contained
- Better self-shielding

without barium tagging...a straightforward path towards 5 tons.

R&D in progress

Item/concept	Reason to change	Cat	Risk
Water shield	More convenient for large size, very standard	2	None
Vertical detector axis	Horizontal for EXO-200 due to site constraint	1	None
Composite cryostat	Too large for conveyance at SNOlab, composite easier to build underground, lighter	2	Low
One drift space	Lowest background in the middle	1	Medium
Internal electronics	Lower outgassing, lower activity, better S/N	2	Low
SiPMs	Better S/N, Lower mass, More common, no HV	1, 2	Medium
No Teflon reflectors	Lower outgassing	1	None
Higher charge readout density	Better background rejection	1	Low
High Voltage Noise	EXO-200 (and other LXe dets) can't reach full HV	1	Medium
Add LXe purity mtr	Longer drift, harder calibration	2	Low
Add prepurif Xe source	No purity loss from feeds, higher live time	1	None

None of these items precludes starting CD1

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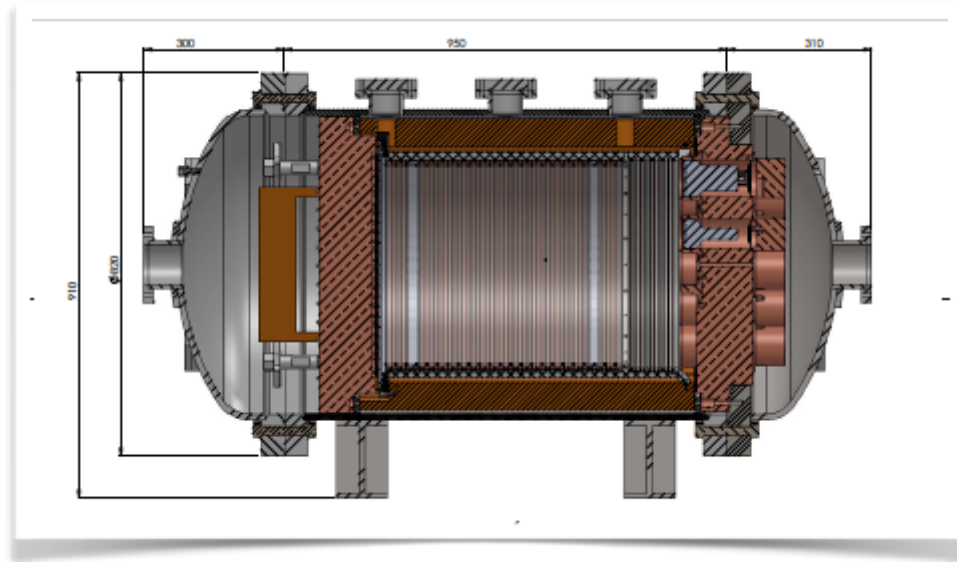
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High Pressure Gas TPC



NEXT



R&D

(2008-2013)



$\beta\beta 2\nu$

(2014-2016)



$\beta\beta 0\nu$ (100 meV)

(2016-2020?)



$\beta\beta 0\nu$ (20 meV)

(2020?)

NEXT100 program

Background model and sensitivity:

- Uncertainties in activities of materials due to limited sensitivity translate into uncertainties in sensitivity. Improve radio purity measurement techniques
- Understand all sources of background, including unexpected (e.g. radon sources, cosmogenics). NEW operation.

Energy resolution and topological signal:

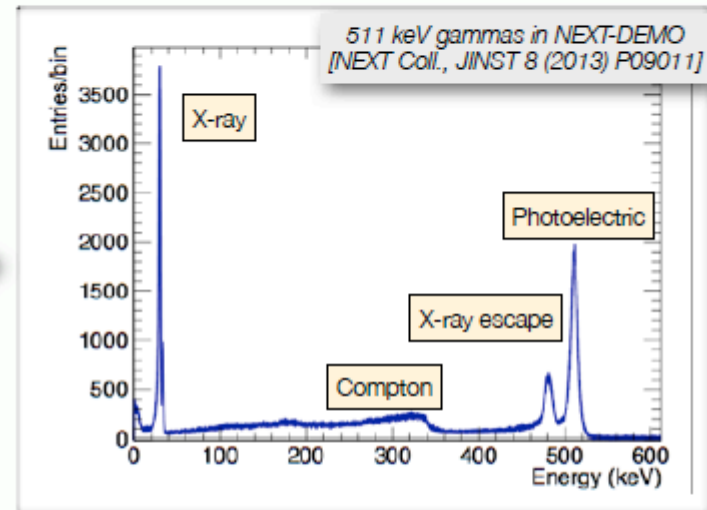
- Goal: achieve near-to-Fano resolution (0.5 % FWHM) in the full detector. NEW operation.
- Fully exploit the power of the signal topology. Characterise with $2\beta\beta$ and TI double escape peak. NEW operation.

Challenges:

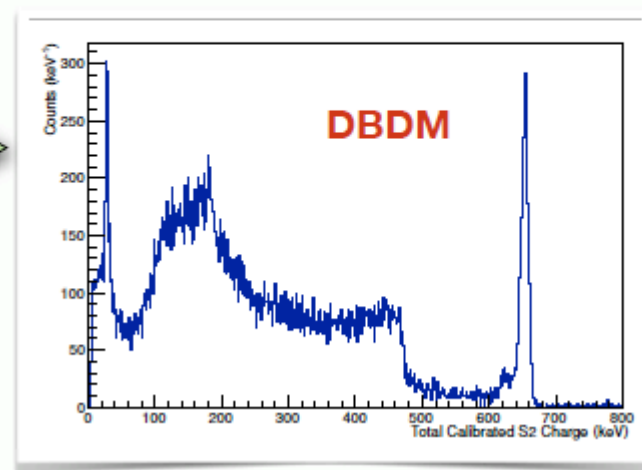
- Grids (size, stored energy, sparks). R&D under way.
- Reduce radioactive budget. KDB circuits without adhesive layers. ultra radio pure copper.
- Understanding TPB (uniformity, stability, glow). DEMO, NEW operation.

NEXT R&D: detector performance achievements

- 1.8% FWHM energy resolution for 511 keV electrons over large fiducial volume
- Extrapolates to 0.75% FWHM at $Q_{\beta\beta}$ energy of ^{136}Xe decay

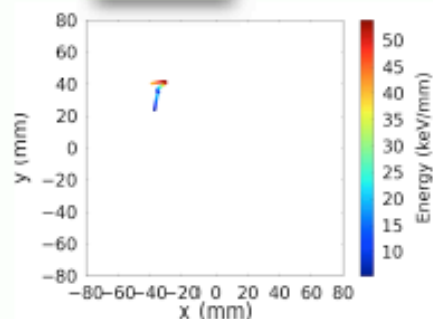


- The DBDM prototype at LBNL extrapolates to **0.5 % FWHM** at $Q_{\beta\beta}$ using 660 Cs-137 electrons

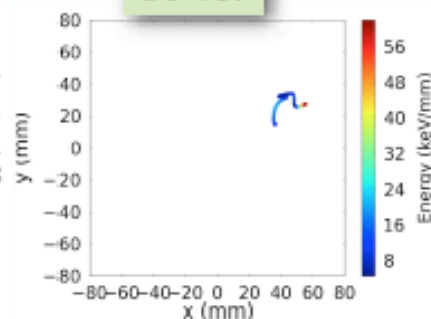


Topology of the signal in @next

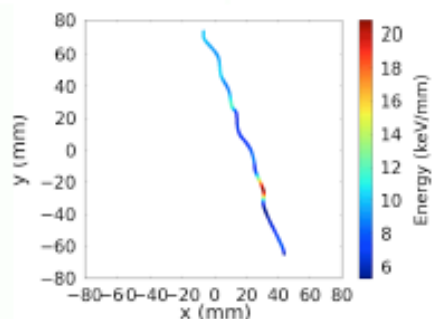
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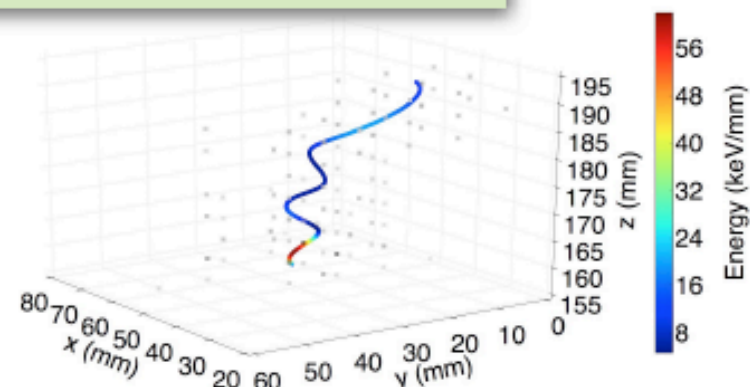
Cs-137



muon



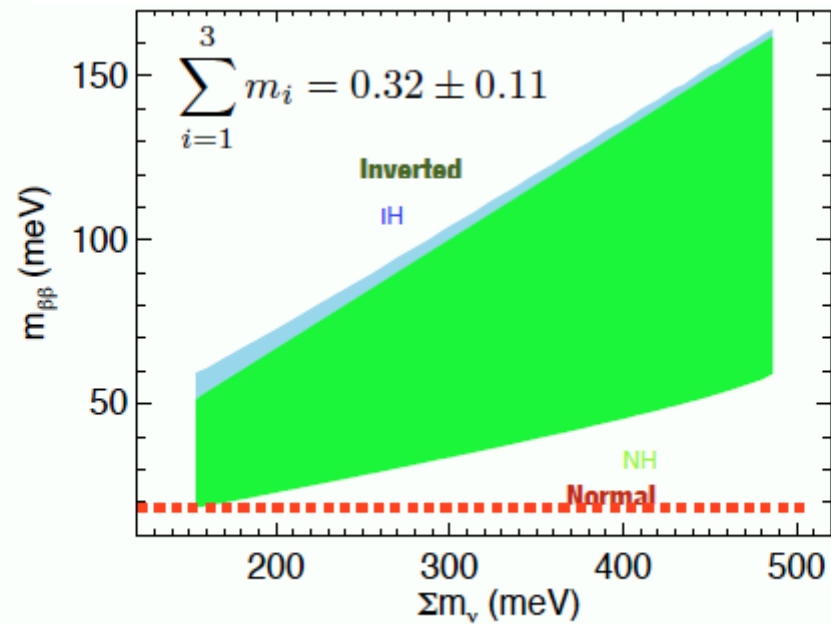
3D reconstruction of electron



- Higher energy deposition clearly visible at electron track end-point.
- Tracks reconstructed using SiPMs + PMTs



Majorana Gas Instrumented with Xenon



What is MAGIX



- Baseline concept.
- It is a symmetric TPC filled with O(1 ton) of Xenon enriched at 90% in Xe-136 at a pressure of 15 bar.
- The drift length is 2 x 2 m (2 ms drift, DEMO measures lifetimes of > 10 ms)
- The TPC radius is about 1 m.
- The active volume is about 12 m³ (1 ton at 15 bar)
- The event energy is integrated by wavelength shifting light guides surrounding the gas and read by PMTs located outside the fiducial volume.
- The event topology is reconstructed by two planes of radiopure silicon pixels (MPPCs by default).

Germanium Detectors



Majorana/GERDA

MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR and GERDA



- ^{76}Ge modules in electroformed Cu cryostat, Cu / Pb passive shield
- 4π plastic scintillator μ veto
- DEMONSTRATOR: 30 kg ^{76}Ge and 10 kg $^{\text{nat}}\text{Ge}$ PPC detectors

- ^{76}Ge array submersed in LAr
- Water Cherenkov μ veto
- Phase I: 18 kg (H-M/IGEX xtals)
- Phase II: +20 kg PPC detectors

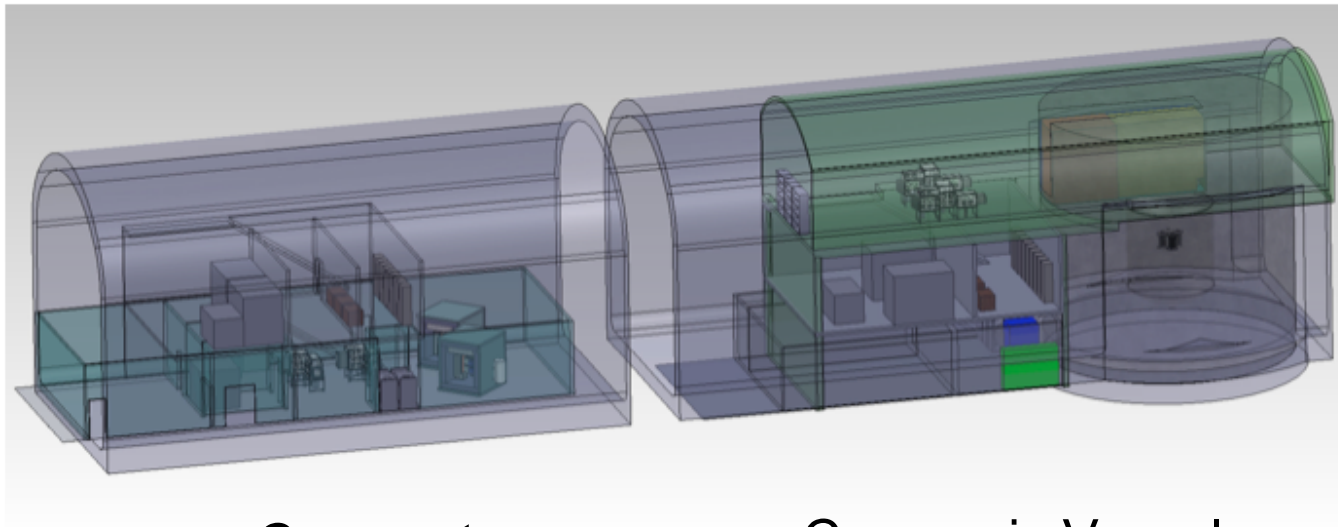
Joint Cooperative Agreement:

Open exchange of knowledge & technologies (e.g. MaGe, R&D)

Intention to merge for larger scale experiment

Select best techniques developed and tested in GERDA and MAJORANA

Baseline Experimental Configurations



Compact

Two shields, each with 8
EFCu vacuum cryostats

Cryogenic Vessel

Diameter of water tank:

- ~11 m for LAr,
- ~15 m for LN (shown)

Isotope Cost

- Enriched Ge (87%) costs about \$90/g (\$6.8M/kmole)
- But Ge is used efficiently
 - Production losses
 - Reduction/refinement ~0% 1.7% in captured remainders
 - Trimmings recovery ~0% Actual pieces recovered
 - Etch losses (90% recov.) ~1% recent R&D result
 - Sludge (grindings in fluids, 70% rec.) ~4.5% recent R&D estimate
 - Total loss ~6%
 - Fiducial Volume 94%
- Once purified, Ge does not get contaminated.
- For Ge, to produce 1 t of enriched material requires about 13 t of natural Ge. The Ge prod. per year is about 120 t. Not a huge perturbation on world supply.

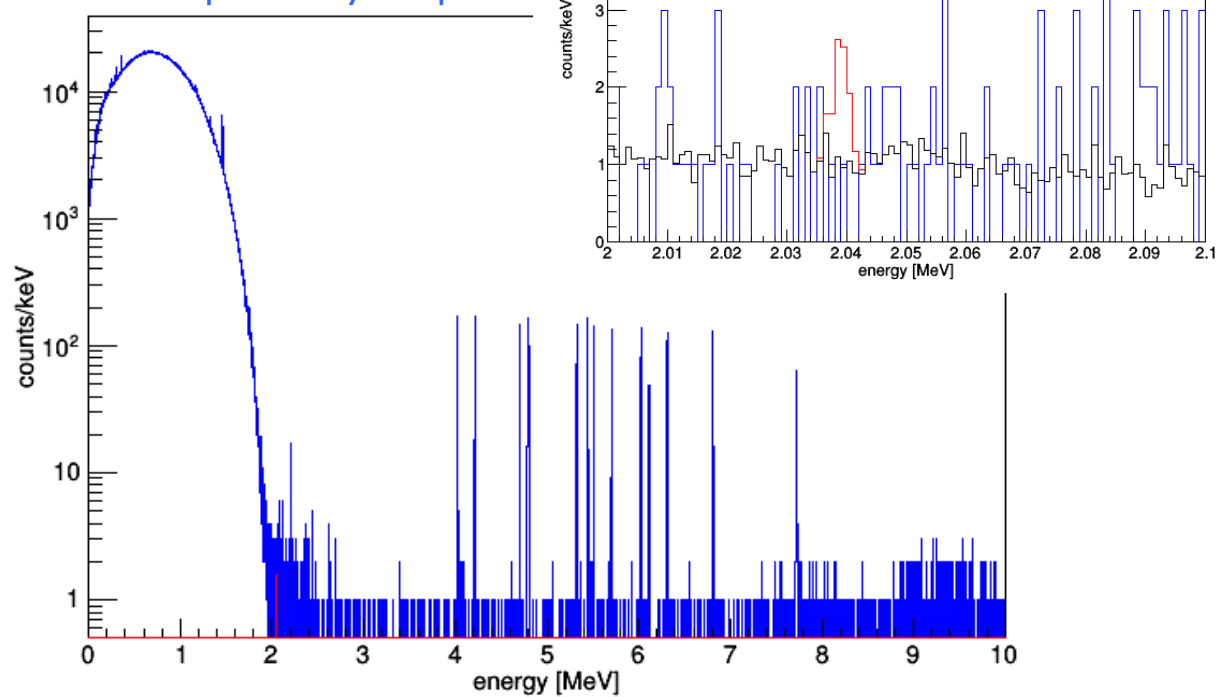
Simulated Spectrum - 5 t-y Exposure



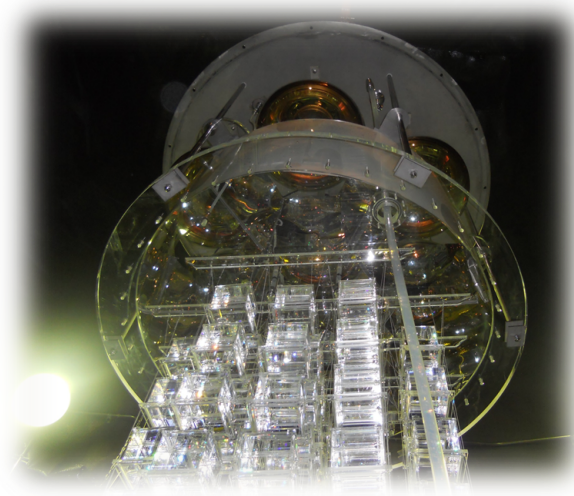
90% UL 3.2×10^{27} y

High statistics MC

Specific 5-y sample



Scintillating Crystals



CANDLES



Experimental Setup

Experimental system

Chromatography:
Breakthrough method
= Migration of Ca solution
in resin area

2. Ca solution
 CaCl_2
+ Conc. HCl

fixed flow rate
by pump

1. Crown-ether resin
packed in column
of 8mmf \times 100cm

5. Measurement of
isotopic ratio

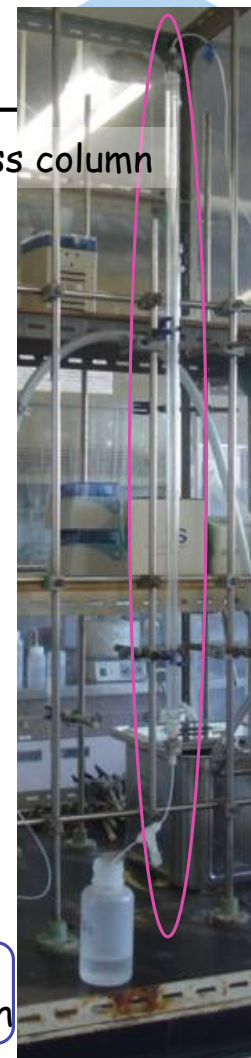
4. Measurement of
Ca concentration

3. Sampling
by fraction collector

Water pump

Water
thermo. bath

1m glass column



Now working towards mass production.



Further Enrichment



Further Enrichment

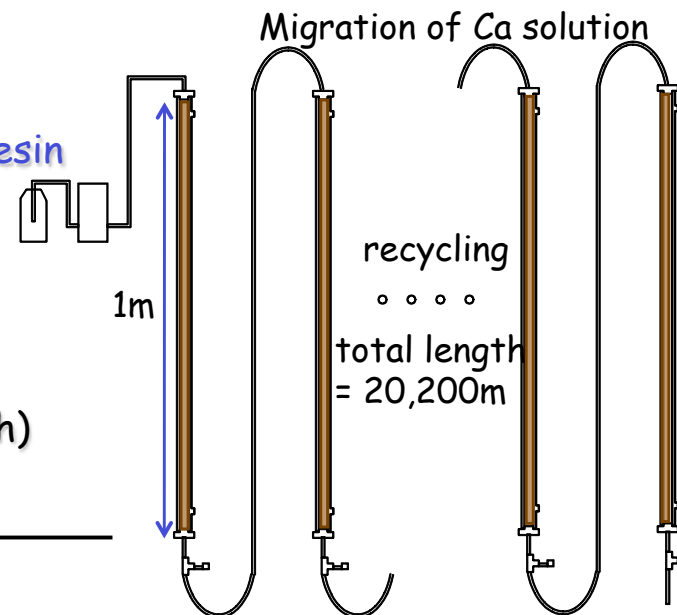
First Test

- 1m glass column was applied.
- Migration Time(length) = ~7hours(1m)

Next = long migration test

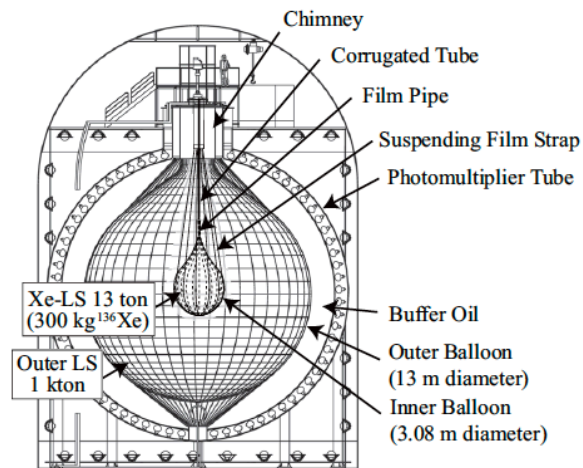
- 10 glass columns(10×1m) are applied.
- Recycling of crown-ether resin after rinsing

Total Migration Time(length)
= ~70hours(20m),
~250hours(200m)



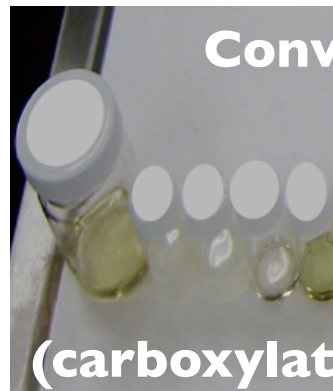
Now working towards mass production.

Liquid Scintillators



KamLAND-Zen and SNO+

First Attempts at Te-Loaded Scintillator (at BNL)



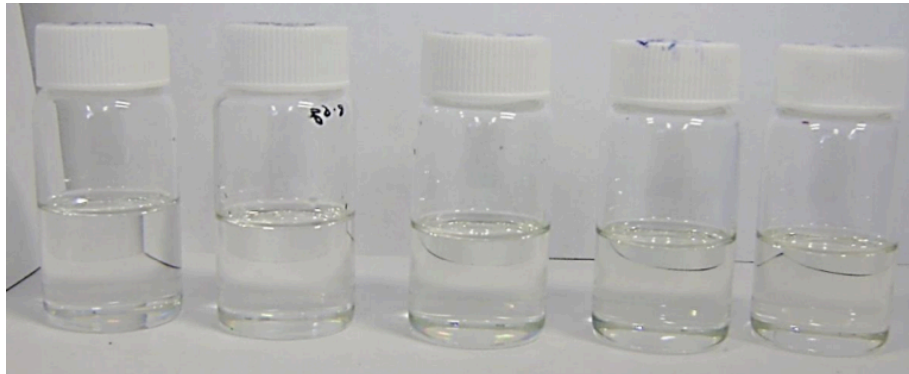
- ...then, breakthrough at BNL, works for



developed at
for

Percent Loading of Tellurium is Feasible

- 0.3%, 0.5%, 1%, 3%, 5% (from left to right)



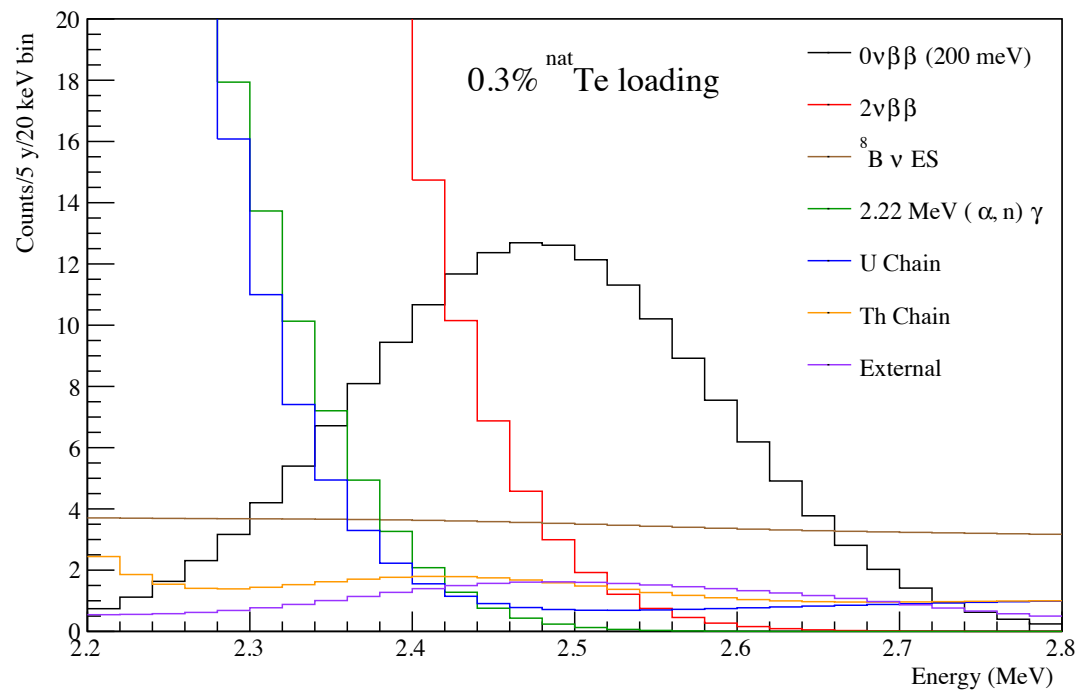
- 3% Te in SNO+ Phase II DBD corresponds to 8 tonnes of ^{130}Te *isotope* (cost for this much tellurium is only ~\$15M)

Status

- electronics and DAQ upgrades completed
- now filling the SNO+ detector with water
- water-filled data taking starts in 2014
 - to study external backgrounds and detector optics
- now installing liquid scintillator purification plant
- liquid scintillator fill to start in 2015
- installation of tellurium purification skid and Te purification in late 2015
- addition of Te to SNO+ liquid scintillator and DBD run in 2016



Spectrum Plot (5-yr Simulated)



KamLAND2-Zen

Liquid Scintillator (LS)

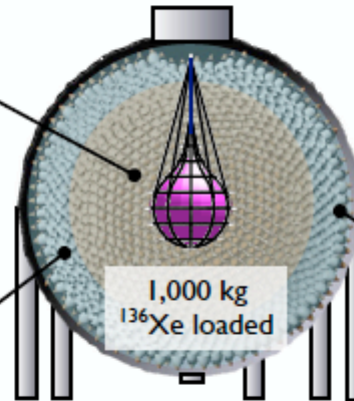


× 1.5

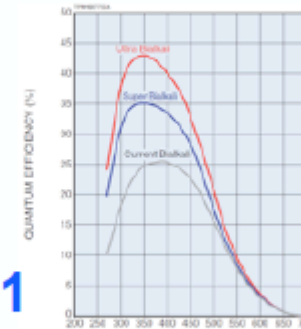
Buffer Oil (BO)



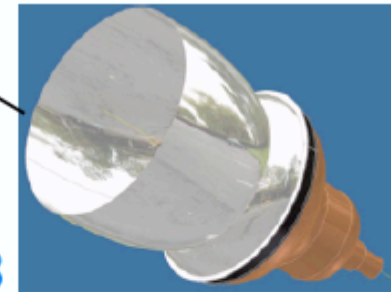
KamLAND2-Zen



× 2.1



High Q.E. PMT
(17 inch → 20 inch)



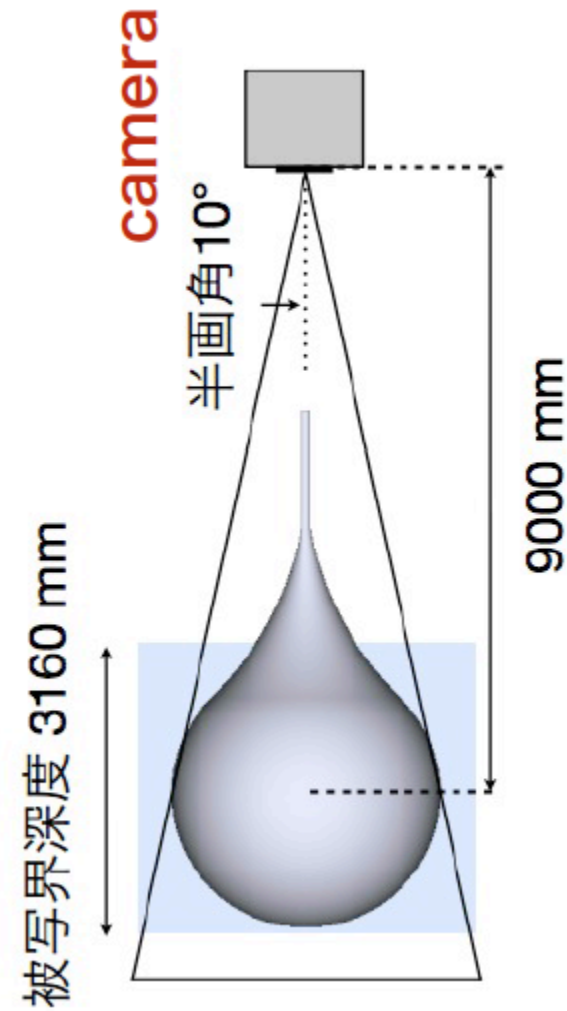
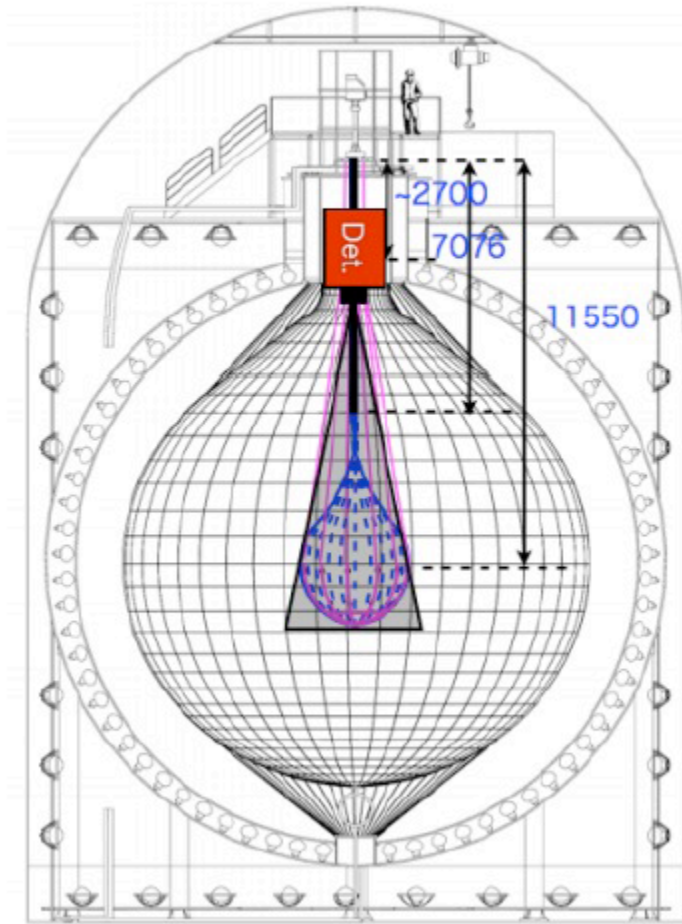
× 1.8

Light Collecting Mirror

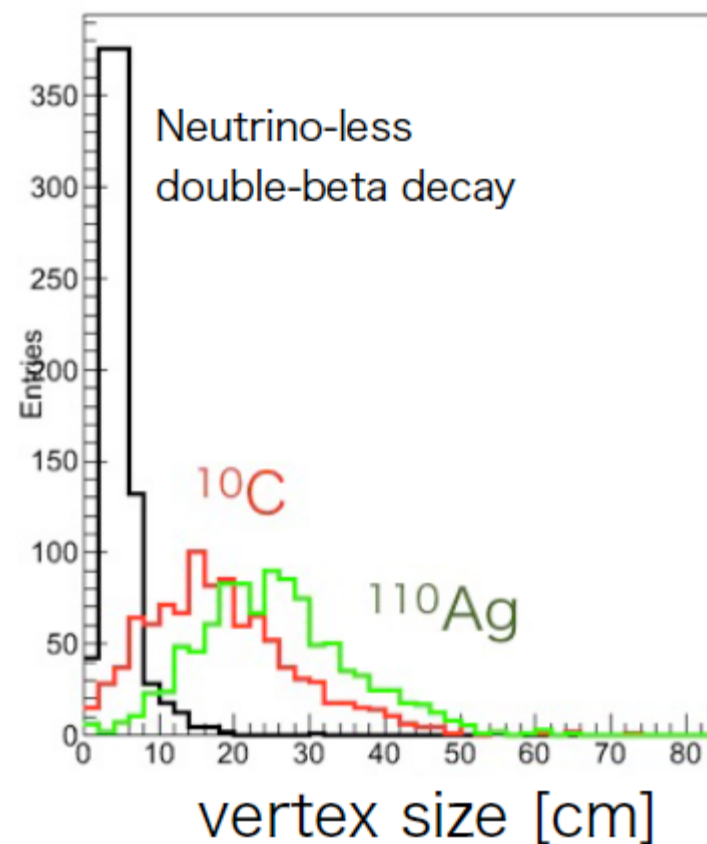
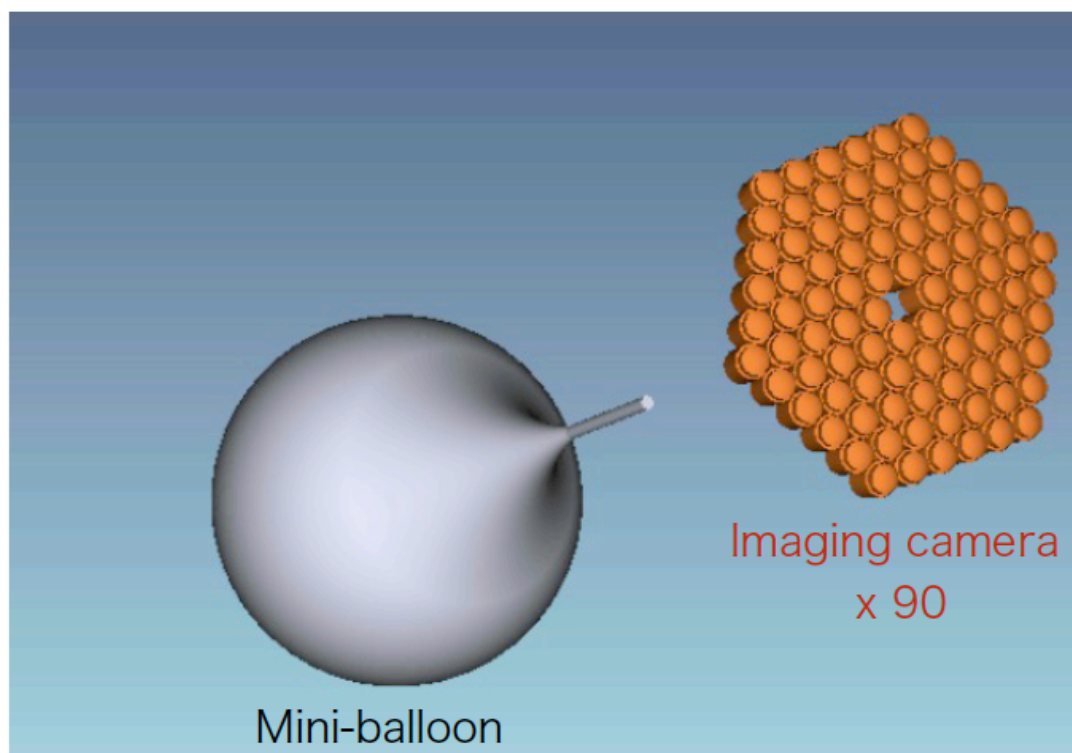
energy resolution $\Delta E \sim \times 0.42 \longrightarrow 2\nu$ background $< 1 / 100$

target $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle$ sensitivity $\sim 20 \text{ meV} / 5 \text{ years}$

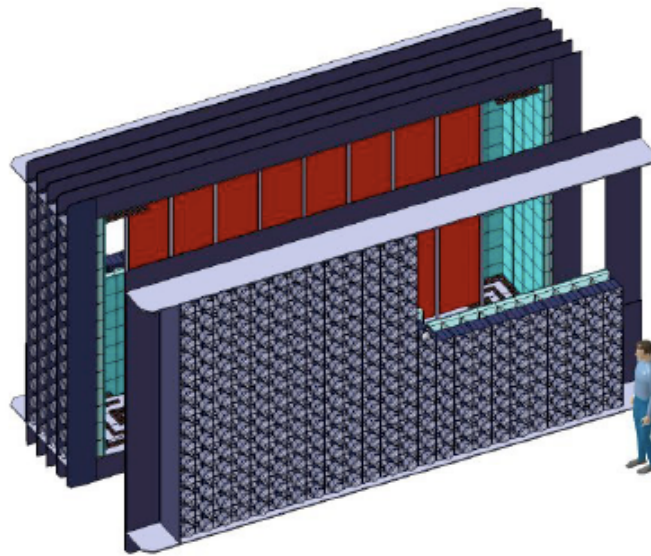
Also working on an imaging camera...



Tagging efficiency $> 90\%$



The Trackers



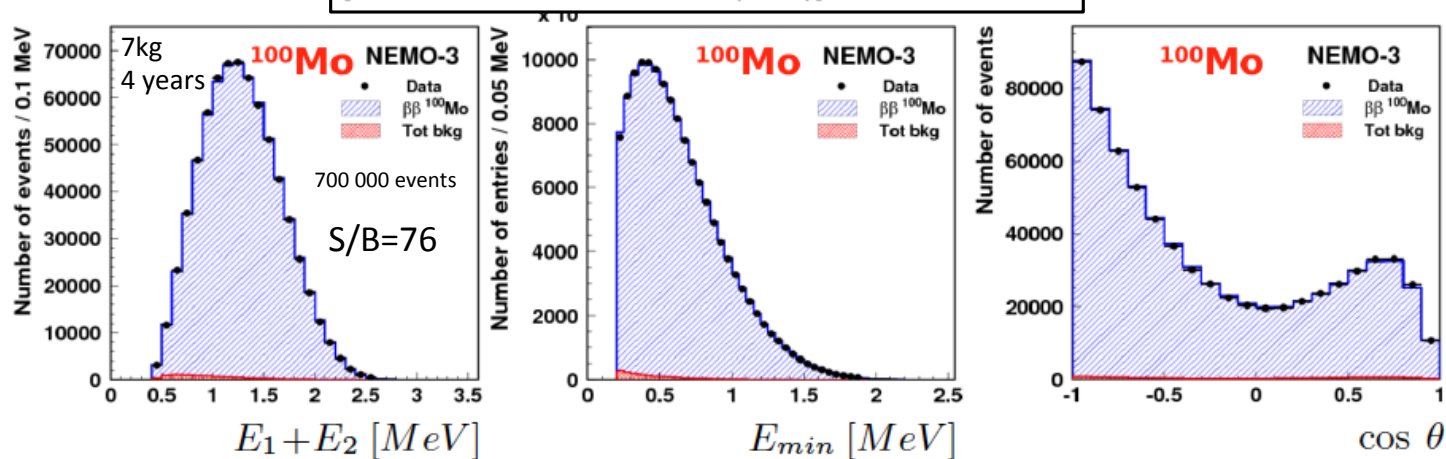
SuperNEMO and DCBA

Avantages of the tracko-calo technique

Accurate measurement of $\beta\beta(2\nu)$ observables (NEMO3 results)

$$\mathcal{T}_{1/2}^{2\nu} = 7.16 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.54 \text{ (syst)} 10^{18} \text{ y}$$

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 182302 (2005)]



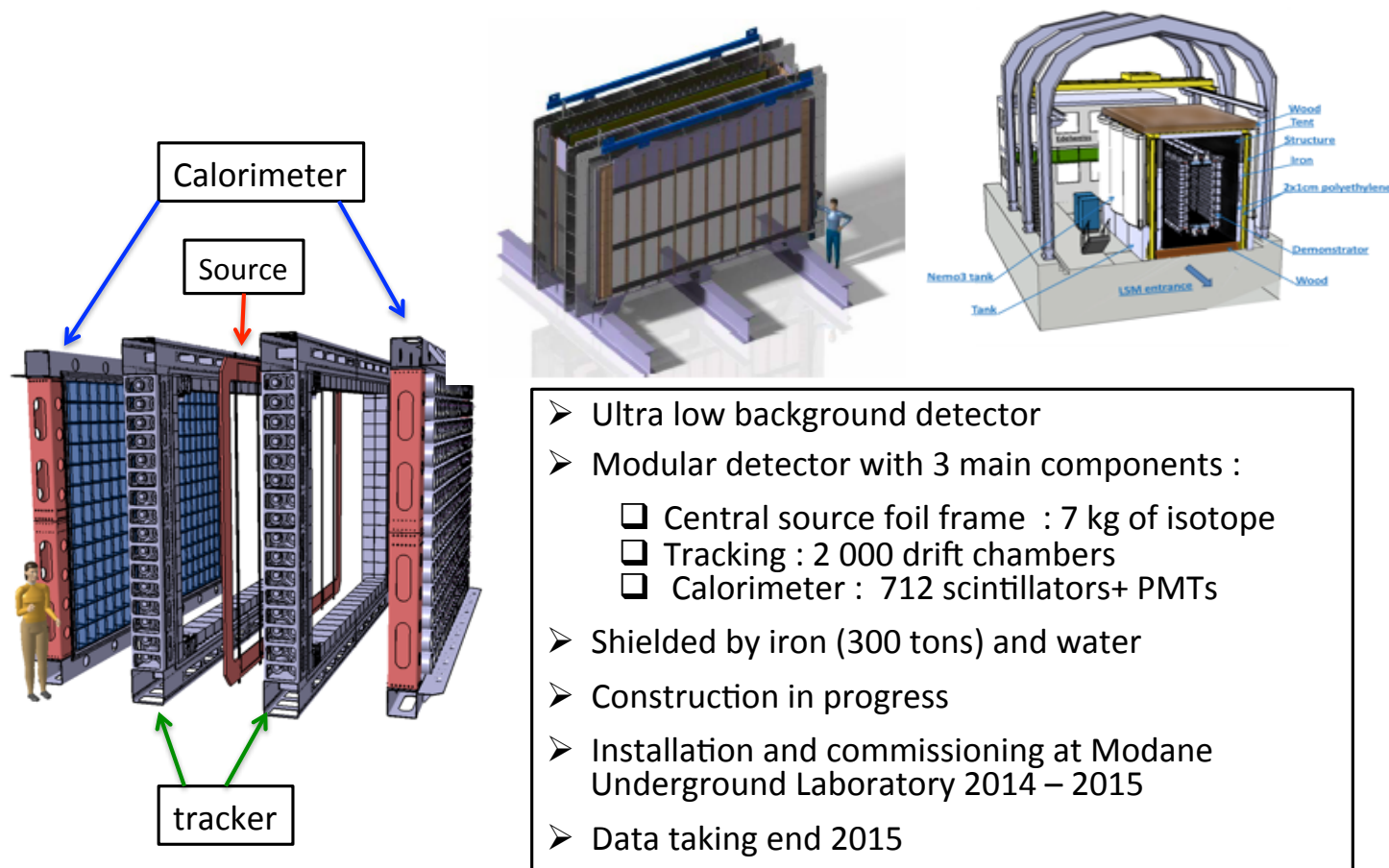
- Nuclear physics ($\beta\beta(2\nu)$ half-life to extract N.M.E., HSD vs SSD)
- To look for exotic physics like bosonic neutrinos



To go to higher mass

	NEMO-3	SuperNEMO
Mass	7 kg	100 kg
Isotopes	^{100}Mo	^{82}Se
	7 isotopes	^{150}Nd , ^{48}Ca
Foil density	60 mg/cm ²	40 mg/cm ²
Energy resolution (σ FWHM)		
@ 1 MeV	6.3 15 %	3.0 7 %
@ 3 MeV	3.4 8 %	1.7 4 %
Radon in tracker		
$\mathcal{A}(^{222}\text{Rn})$	~ 5.0 mBq/m ³	~ 0.15 mBq/m ³
Sources contaminations		
$\mathcal{A}(^{208}\text{Tl})$	~ 100 $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$	< 2 $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$
$\mathcal{A}(^{214}\text{Bi})$	60 - 300 $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$	< 10 $\mu\text{Bq/kg}$
Detector		
tracking cells	6180	20×2034
calo blocks	1940	20×712
Sensitivity (90 % CL)		
$\mathcal{T}_{1/2}^{0\nu}$	$> 1.1 \cdot 10^{24}$ y	$> 1 \cdot 10^{26}$ y
$ m_{\beta\beta} $	$< 0.3 - 0.8$ eV	$< 40 - 100$ meV

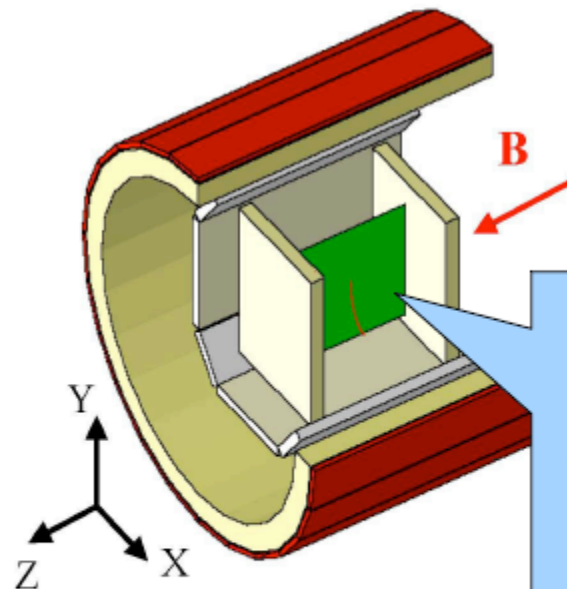
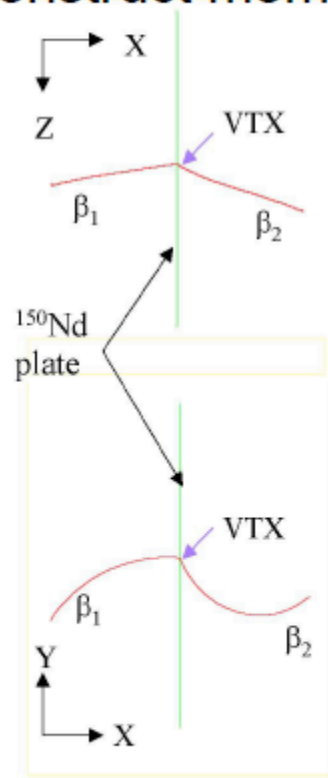
SuperNEMO demonstrator module



No background expected for 2 years of data. 7 kg ^{82}Se $T_{1/2} > 6.6 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ y}$ $\langle m_{\nu} \rangle < 0.16 - 0.44 \text{ eV}$

DCBA: method

- have source plate(s) inside of the tracking volume
Source plate: ^{100}Mo (^{150}Nd in future)
- emitted two electrons make helical trajectories inside of the tracking volume
- reconstruct momenta of two electrons



Source plate is put parallel to the B-field

→ electrons having large angle to the source plate, travel across the B-field

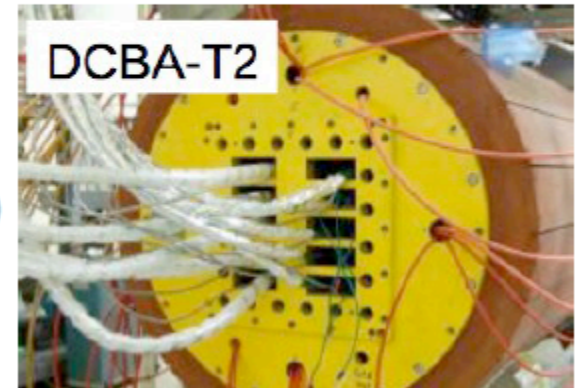
DCBA-T2.5

2005 DCBA

- charge dividing
- 6 mm pitch wires (xy + xz)

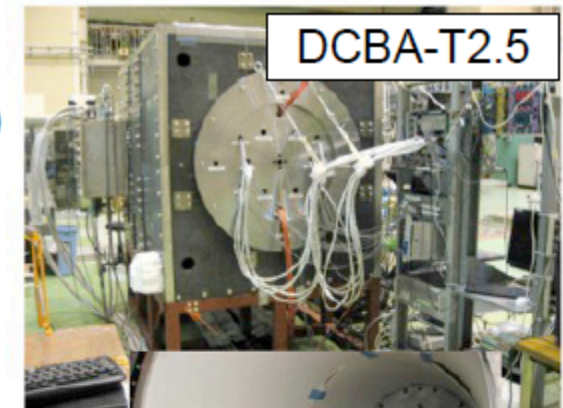
2007 DCBA-T2

- ^{100}Mo source (natural Mo 30g)
- 0.6 - 0.8 kG magnetic field
- Normal conducting magnet:
9h/day operation (Mon.-Fri)



2011 DCBA-T2.5

- 6 mm pitch wires (xy + xz)
- ^{100}Mo source (natural Mo 30g)
- 0.8 kG magnetic field
- super-conducting magnet:
24h nonstop operation



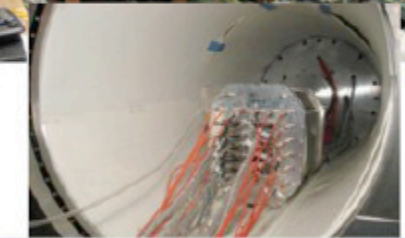
now

2014 DCTA-T3

- 3 mm pitch wires (xy + xz)*8
- ^{150}Nd (5.6% in natural Nd_2O_3)
- B=3 kG at the maximum

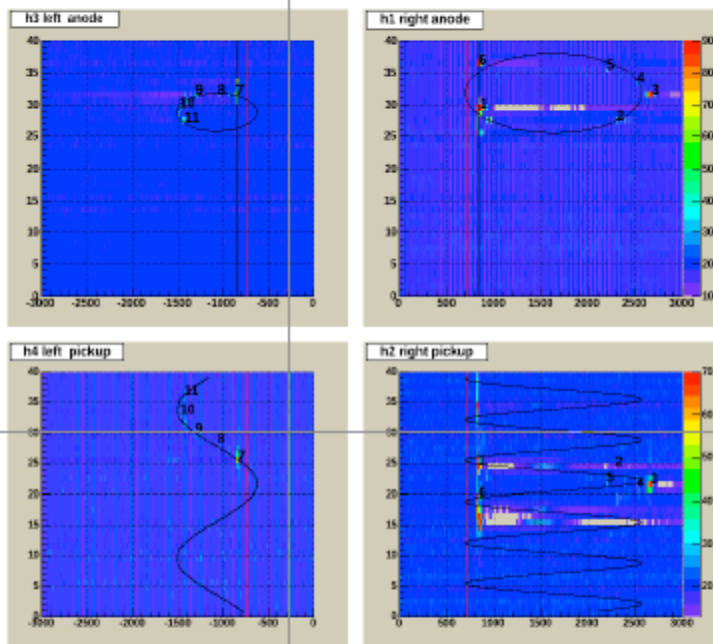
2017 MTD
(tentative name)

- ^{82}Se ^{150}Nd (enriched)
several 10 kg



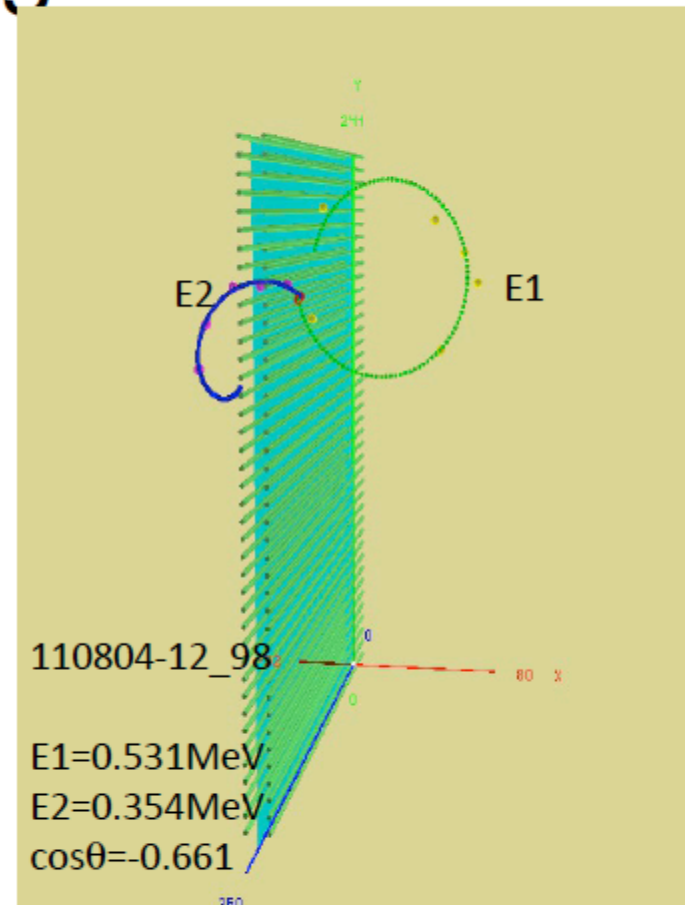
DCBA-T2 Chamber installed
into the DCBA-T3 SC-Magnet

Another $2\nu\beta\beta$ signal candidate



Characteristics of the signal candidate

1. trajectory of the two tracks looks like inverse "S" shape
2. vertex points of two tracks are consistent

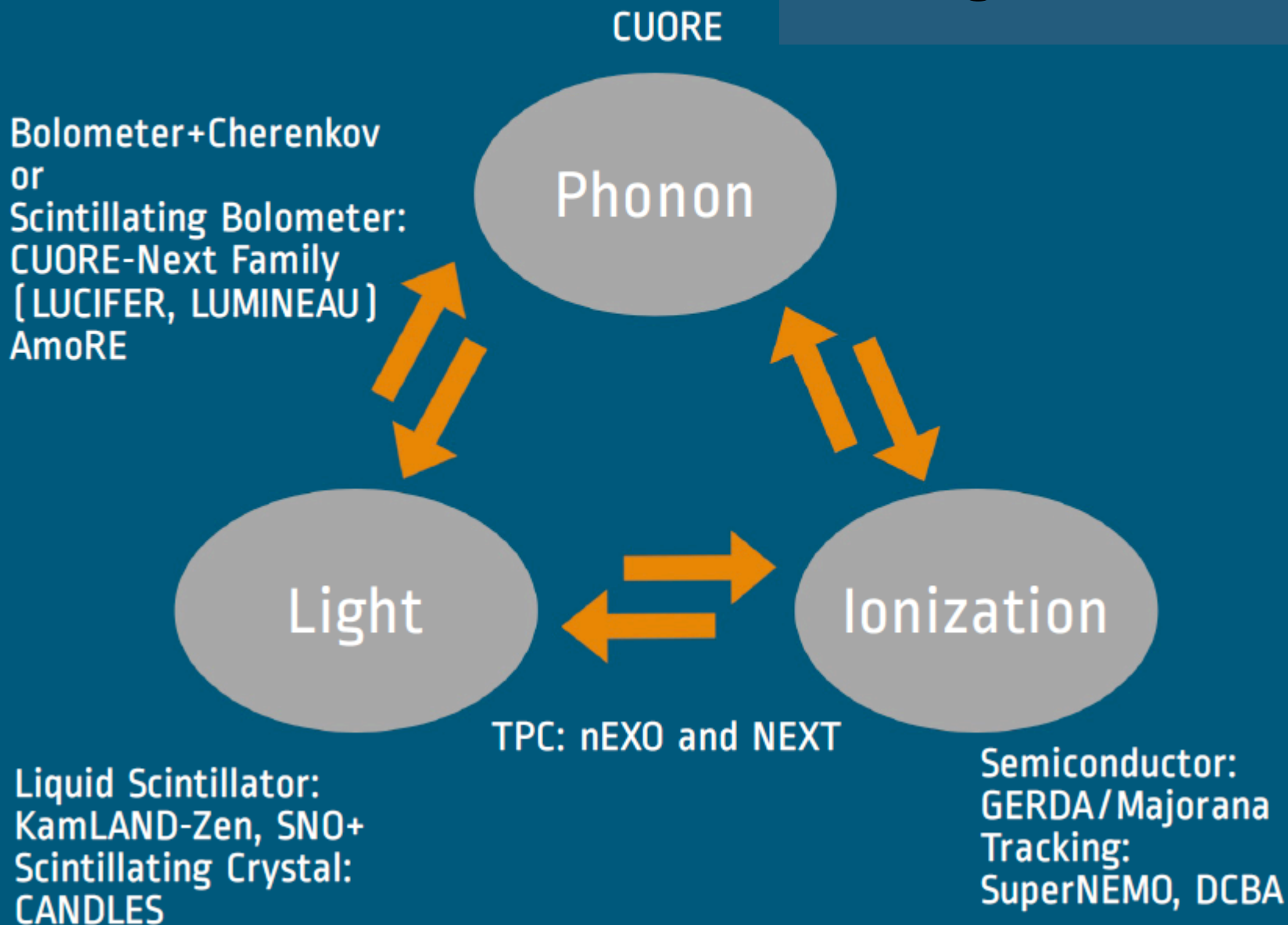


Vertex point

	E1	E2
Y	183.0mm	183.9mm
Z	151.7mm	146.3mm

That is all of them!

Exciting R&D Ahead!



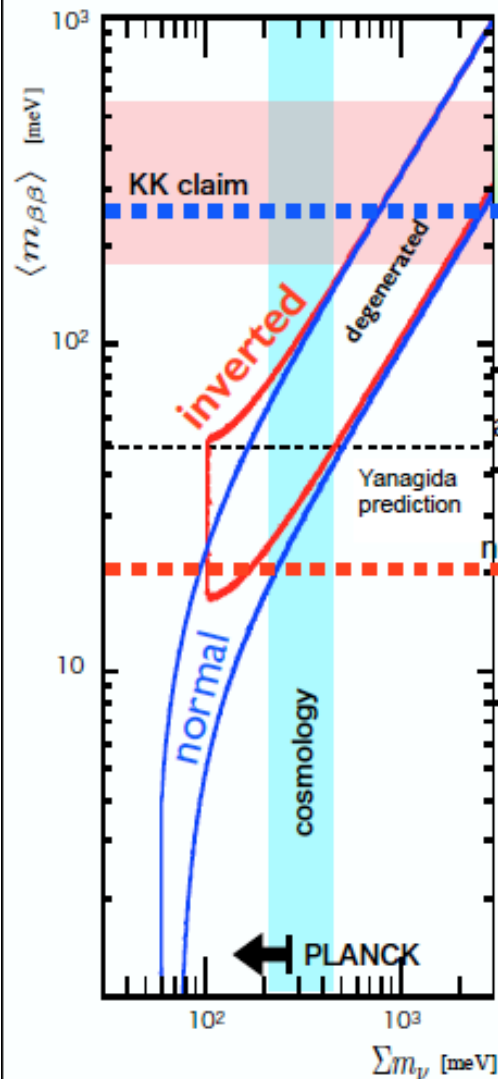
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An orange ribbon banner with a 3D effect, featuring a central rectangular section and two pointed ends that trail off to the left and right.

Thinking Ahead

**The above hope to get
through the inverted
hierarchy.**

Prospects of KamLAND-Zen



KamLAND-Zen 89.5 kg-yr

$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < 160-330 \text{ meV} @ 90\% \text{ C.L.}$

uncertainty of nuclear matrix element

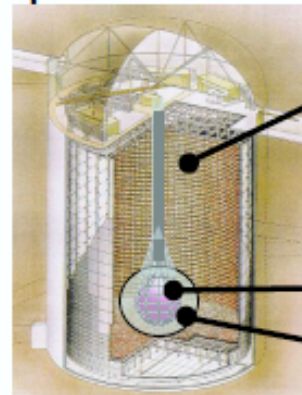
KamLAND-Zen after purification
reduction of radioactive backgrounds

KamLAND-Zen 800 kg, high purity mini-balloon

KamLAND2-Zen 1000 kg, high light yield LS

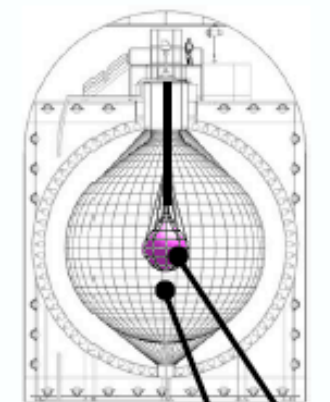
$\sigma_{E(2.5\text{MeV})} = 4\% \rightarrow 1.8\%$

Super-KamLAND-Zen



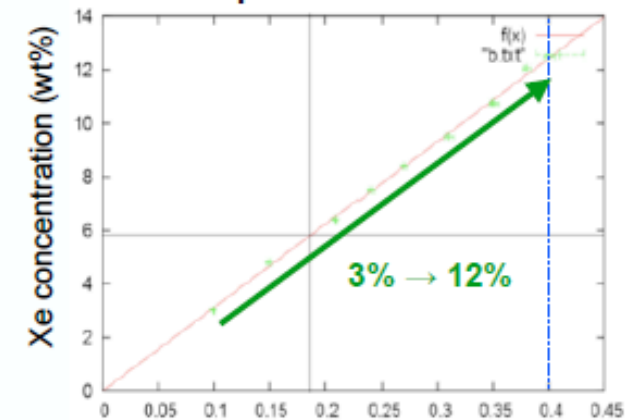
increase decay target nuclei by pressurized Xe

KamLAND-Zen



Xe-LS
Outer-LS

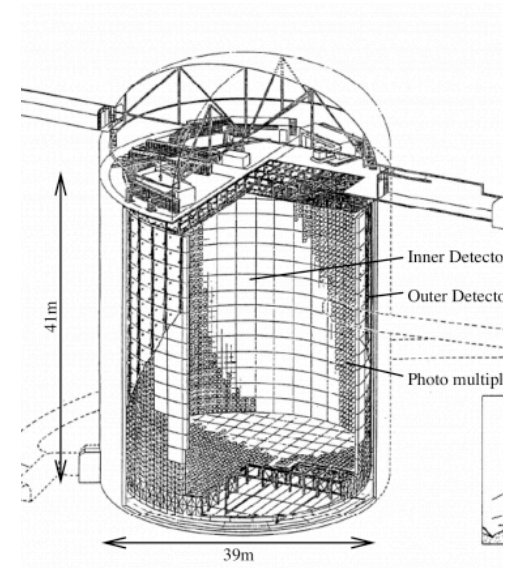
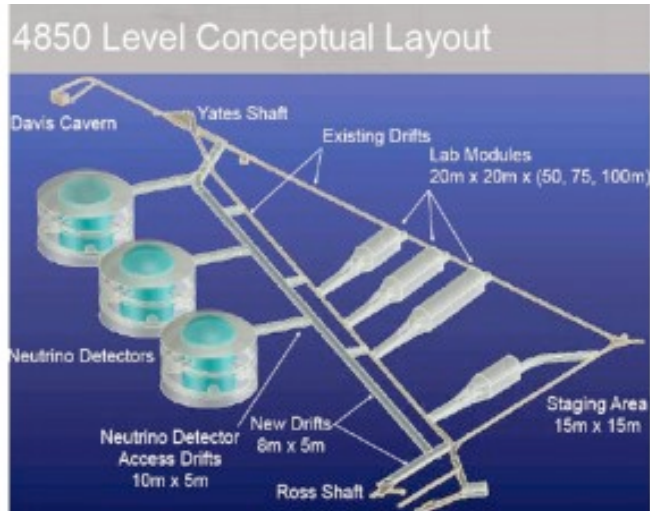
pressurized Xe



Xe partial pressure (MPa)

4 times at 30 m depth

Dream Big!



Cavern
height: 115 m, diameter: 50 m
shielding from cosmic rays: ~4,000 m.w.e.

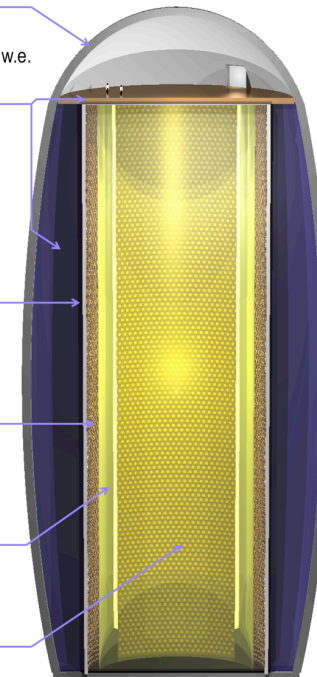
Muon Veto
plastic scintillator panels (on top)
Water Cherenkov Detector
3,000 phototubes
100 kt of water
reduction of fast
neutron background

Steel Cylinder
height: 100 m, diameter: 30 m
70 kt of organic liquid
30,000 – 50,000 phototubes

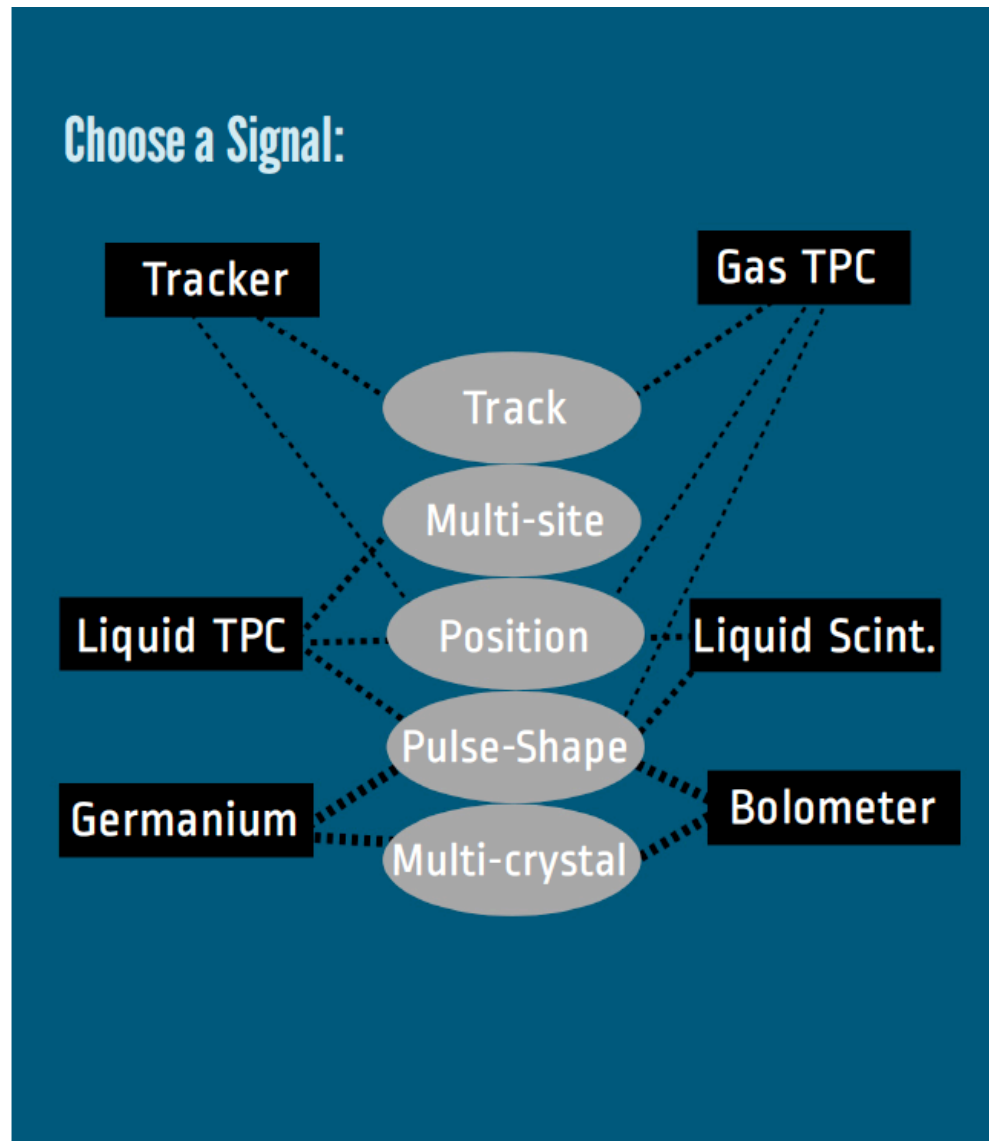
Buffer
thickness: 2 m
non-scintillating organic liquid
shielding from external radioactivity

Nylon Vessel
separating buffer liquid
and liquid scintillator

Target Volume
height: 100 m, diameter: 26 m
50 kt of liquid scintillator

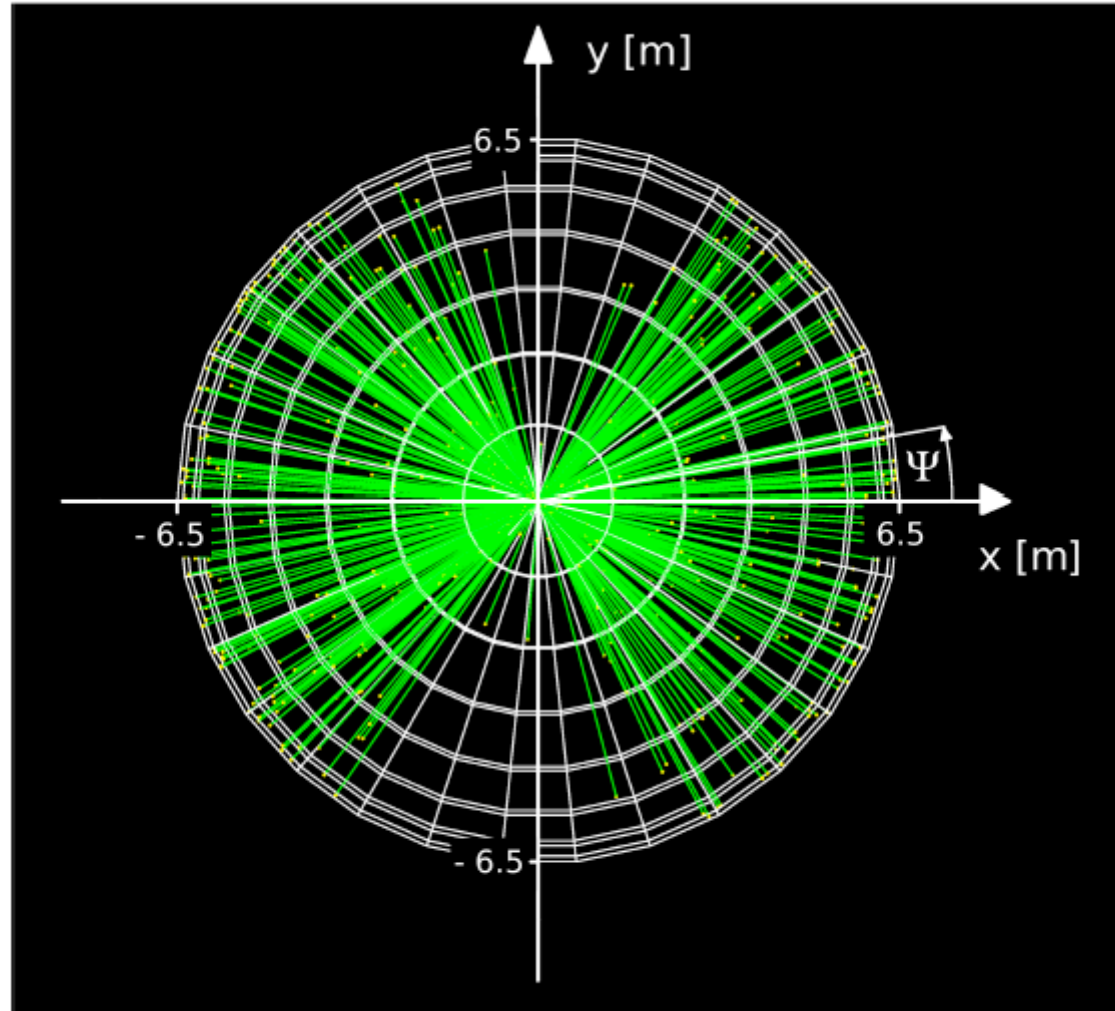


We really need another signal!



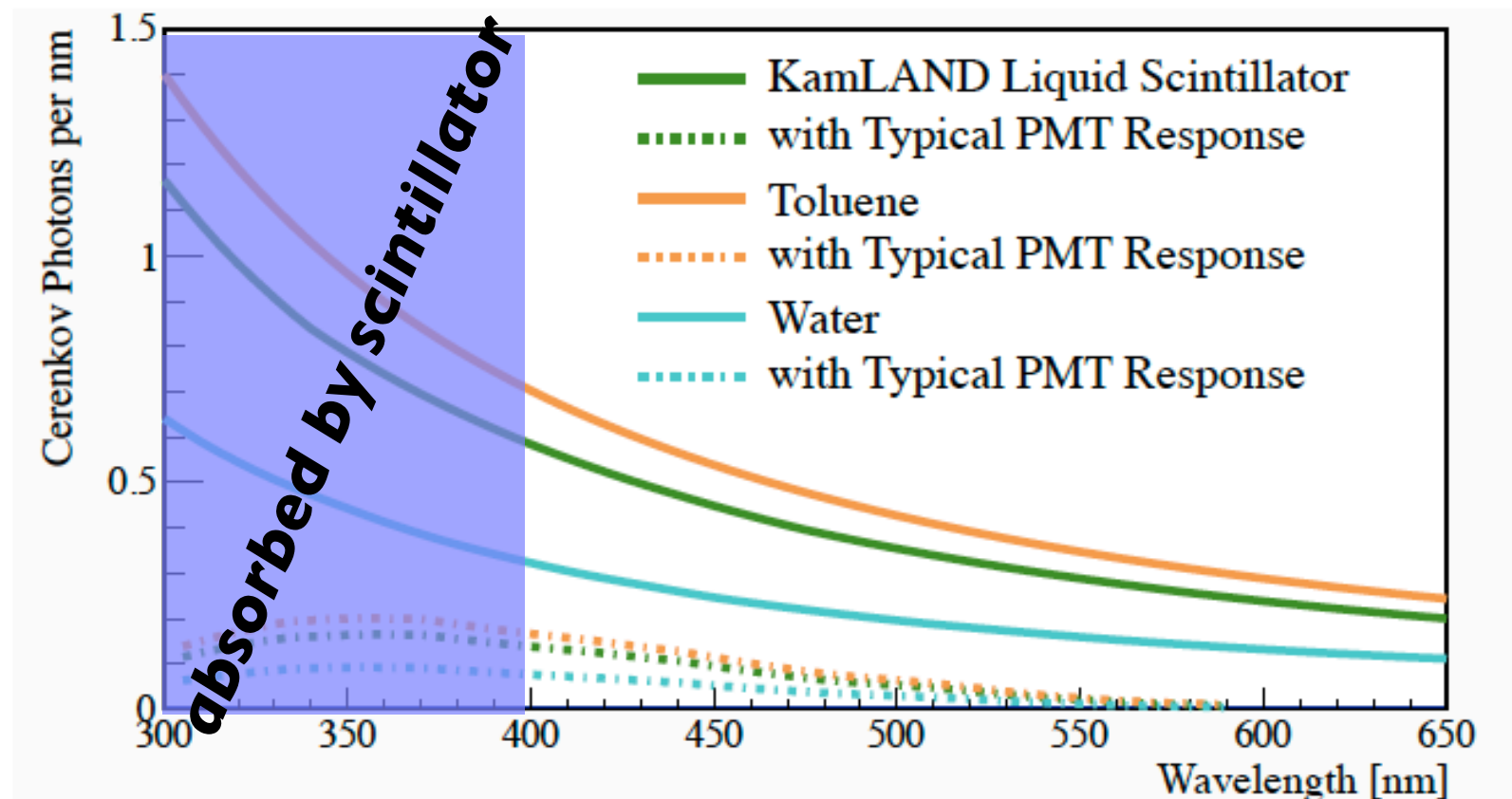
How about tracking?

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay (Cherenkov Only)



The Cherenkov light is still there...

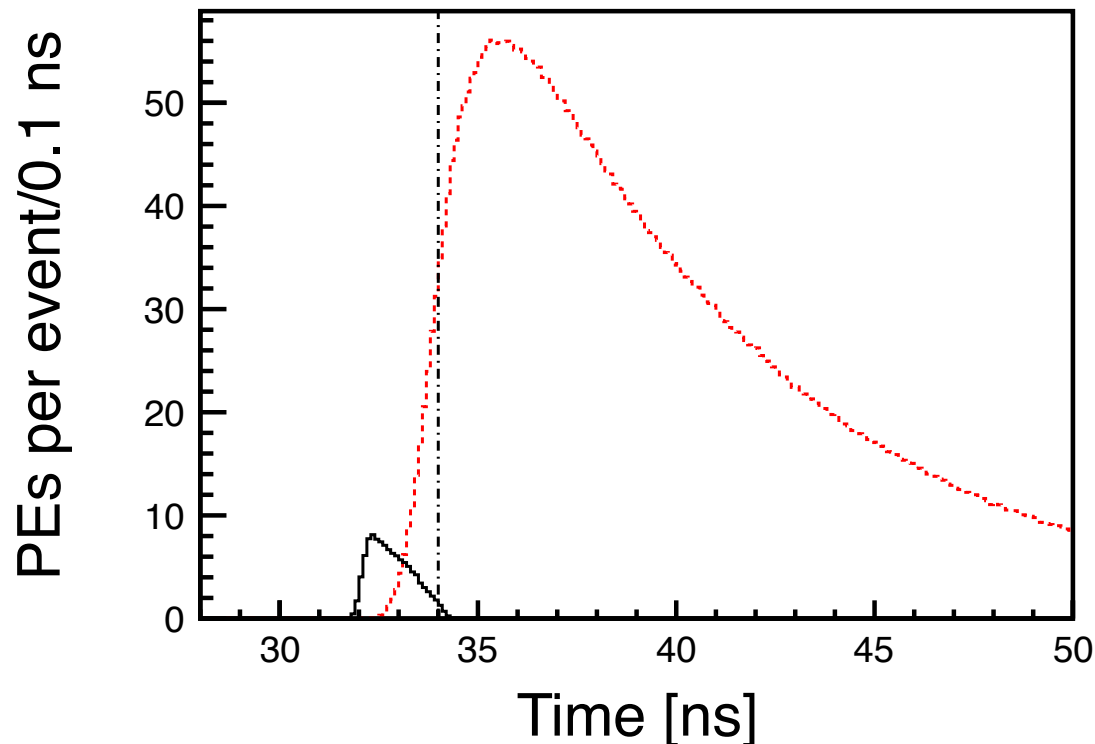
Number of Cherenkov Photons for a 1 MeV e-



Retains directional information!

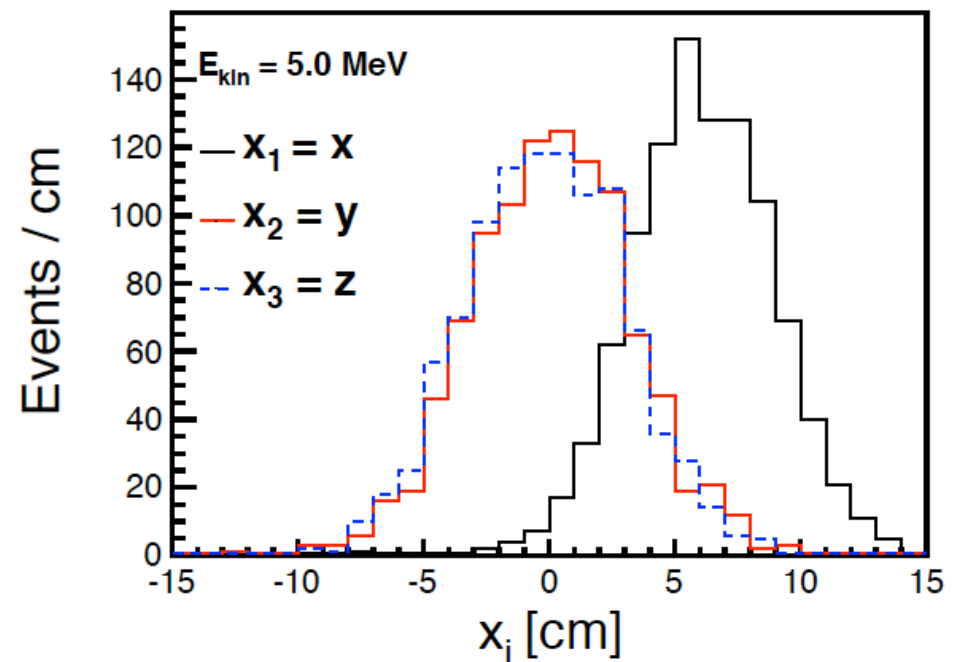
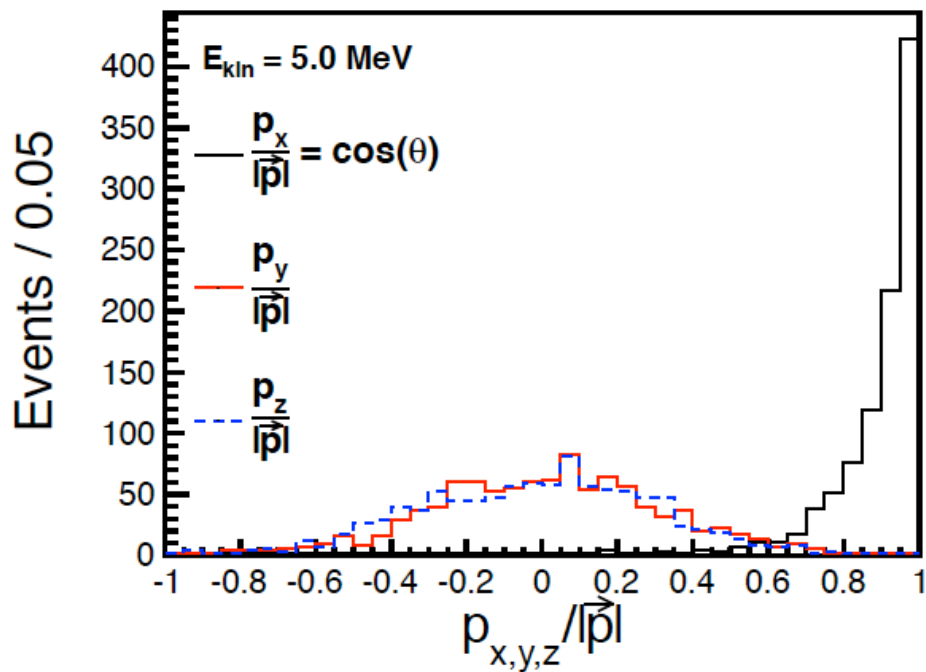
Longer wavelengths travel faster and scintillation processes have inherent time constants.

So if you have good enough timing....



**you should be able to separate the scarce
Cherenkov from the abundant scintillation light.**

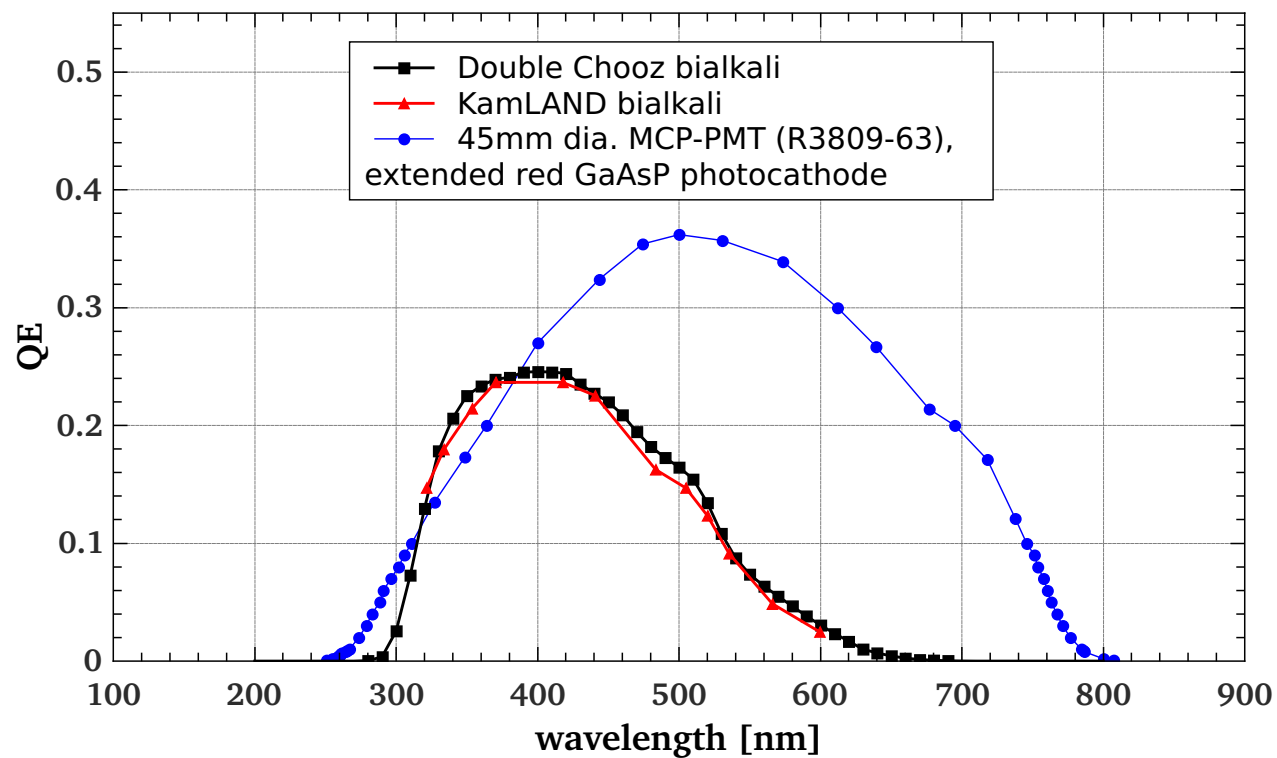
If we put this timing data into basic reconstruction algorithms (from WCsim)...



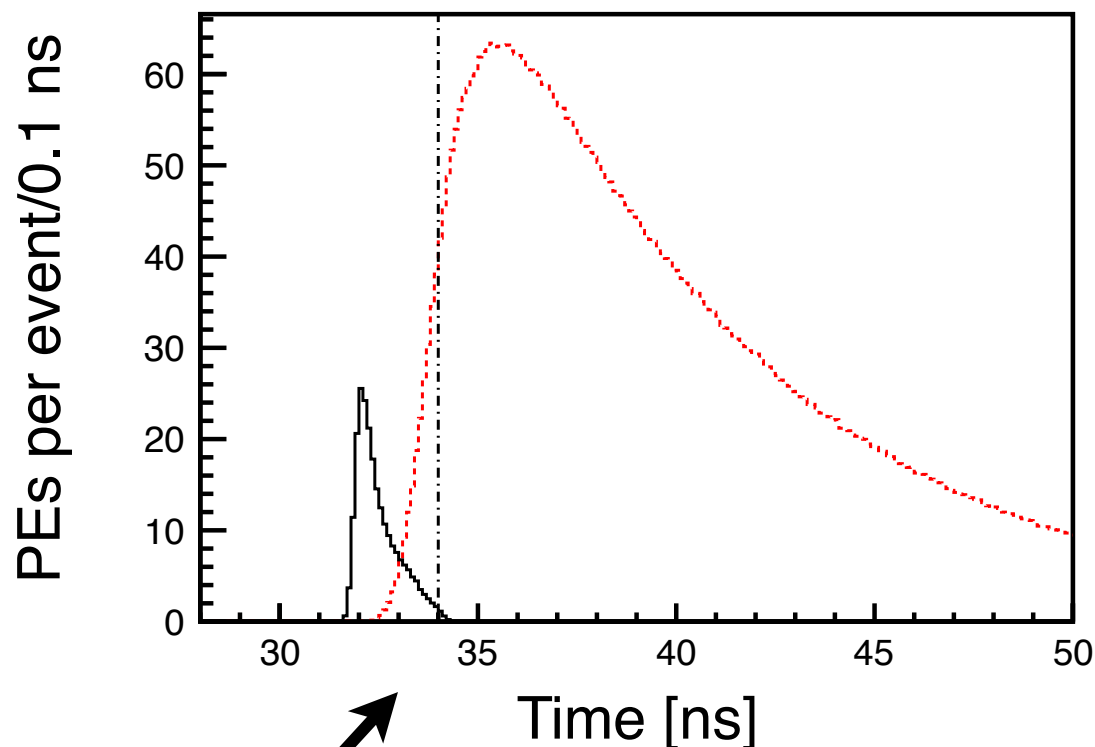
we can reconstruct vertices and **direction** at the center of the detector.

The separation needs more red light.

What about a more red sensitive PMT?



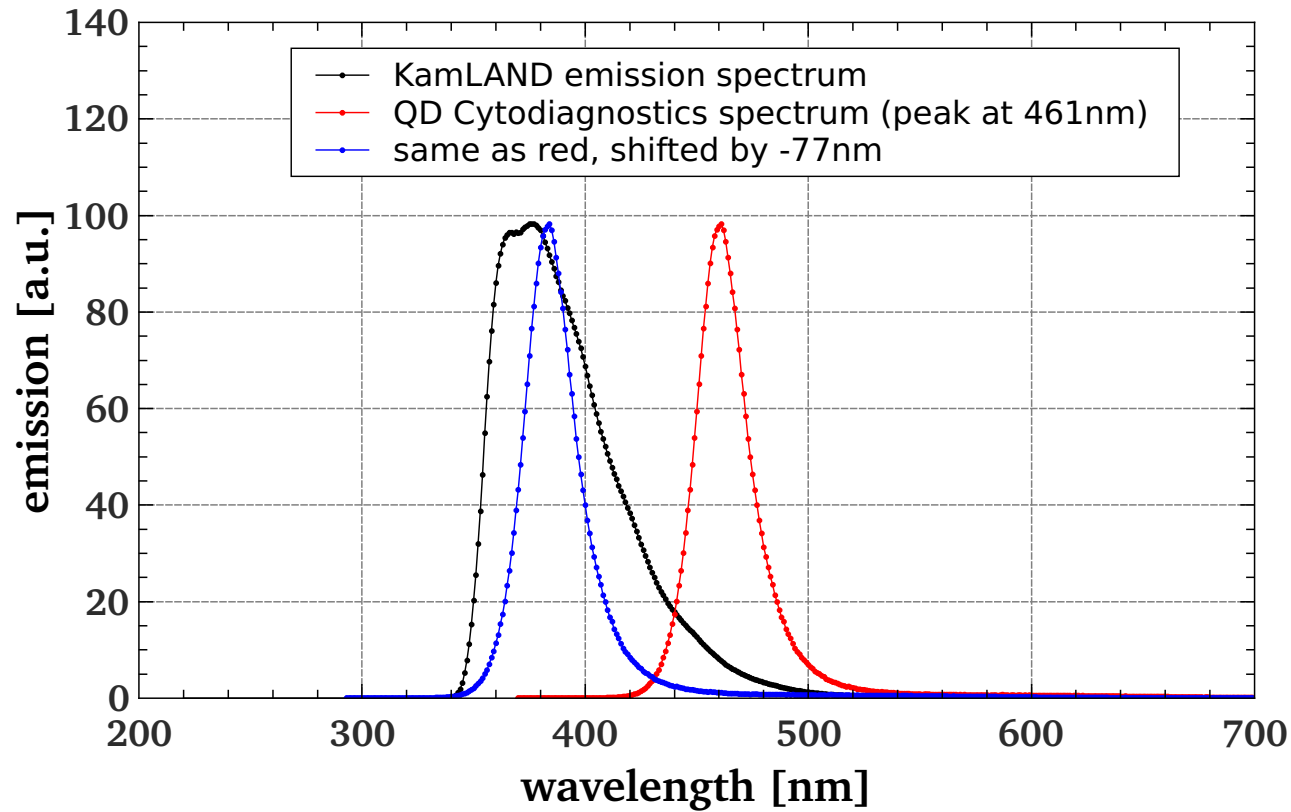
This gives beautiful results!



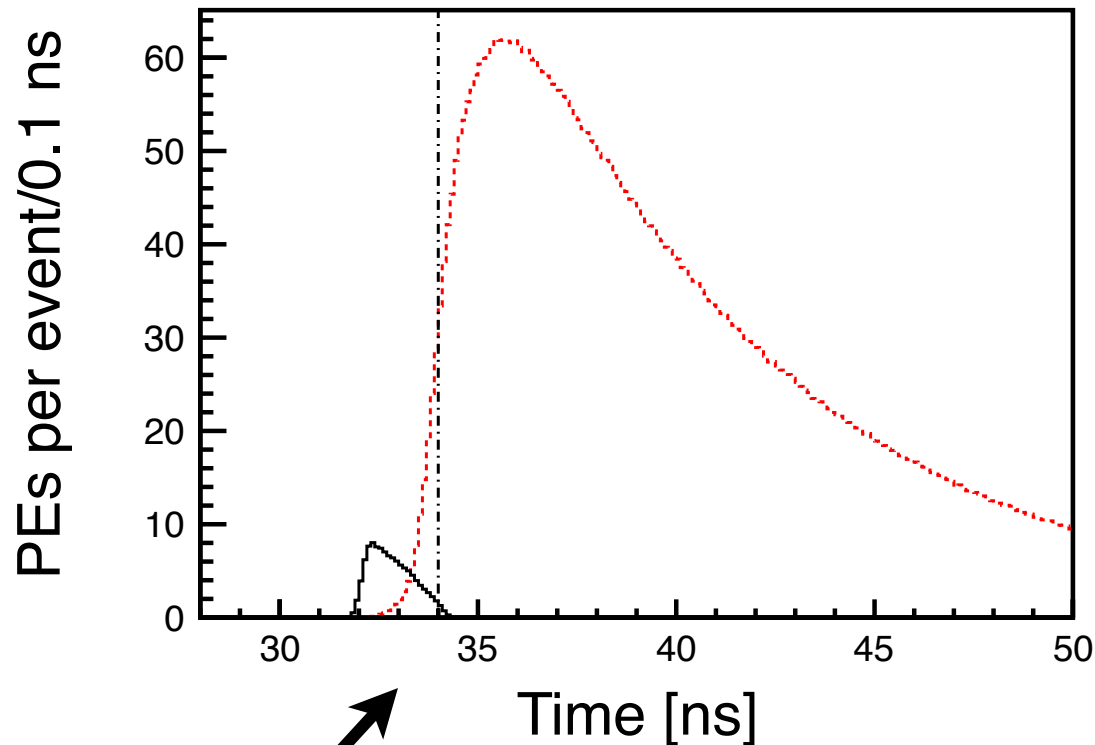
$R_{c/s} = 1.01$

The problem is it is a 1cm diameter PMT...

What if I could narrow the emission spectrum?



This is the narrowed emission spectrum with traditional PMTs and 0.1ns timing.



$R_{c/s} = 0.86$

This is the quantum-dot-doped liquid scintillator.

What are Quantum Dots?

Quantum Dots are semiconducting nanocrystals.

A shell of organic molecules is used to suspend them in an organic solvent (toluene) or water.

Common materials are CdS, CdSe, CdTe...



Quantum Dot Materials Overlap with Candidate Isotopes!

Isotope	Endpoint	Abundance
^{48}Ca	4.271 MeV	0.187%
^{150}Nd	3.367 MeV	5.6%
^{96}Zr	3.350 MeV	2.8%
^{100}Mo	3.034 MeV	9.6%
^{82}Se	2.995 MeV	9.2%
^{116}Cd	2.802 MeV	7.5%
^{130}Te	2.533 MeV	34.5%
^{136}Xe	2.479 MeV	8.9%
^{76}Ge	2.039 MeV	7.8%
^{128}Te	0.868 MeV	31.7%

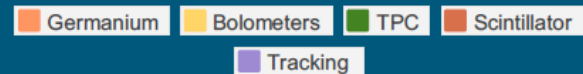
**More scintillator R&D underway
from nanocrystals and quantum dots
to water based scintillators with
amazing attenuation lengths.**

A Worldwide Effort



*Underground labs
around the world!*

*Approximately 840
physicists!*



The next few years are going to be very exciting as we wait for the first results from several of the Gen1 experiments and R&D for Gen2 ramps up.

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The End



Current Status



Kamioka Lab.

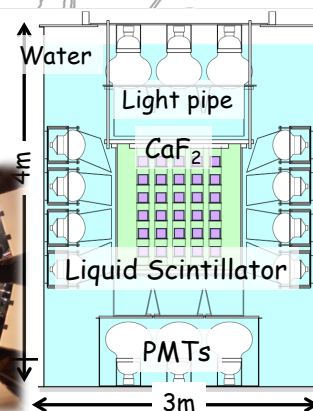
CANDLES III at Kamioka Lab.

- 96 CaF_2 (305kg, 0.187% ^{48}Ca) + liquid scintillator
- Installation of light-pipe(light concentration) system in 2012.
- Upgrade of DAQ system in 2013.

CANDLES III

Inside Modules
(CaF_2 Scintillators+PMTs)

Inside View
of Water Tank



Future Experiment



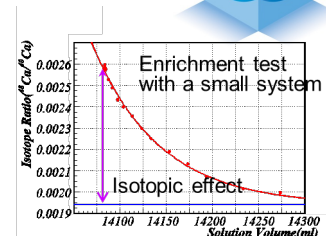
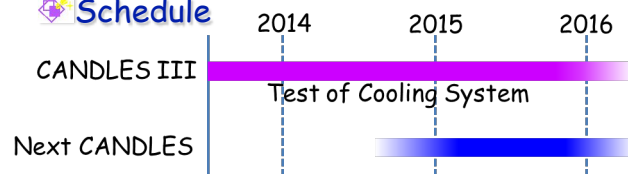
^{48}Ca enrichment

- R&D for next CANDLES system
- Under development
for a large amount of ^{48}Ca

CANDLES IV ~

- ^{48}Ca enrichment
- Cooling system ($\sim 3^\circ\text{C}$)
for good energy resolution

Schedule



Measurement
at Kamioka Lab.
sensitivity 0.5eV

^{48}Ca enrichment
Construction of detector
... not funded yet