

# Detection of supernova Neutrinos

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SN1987A

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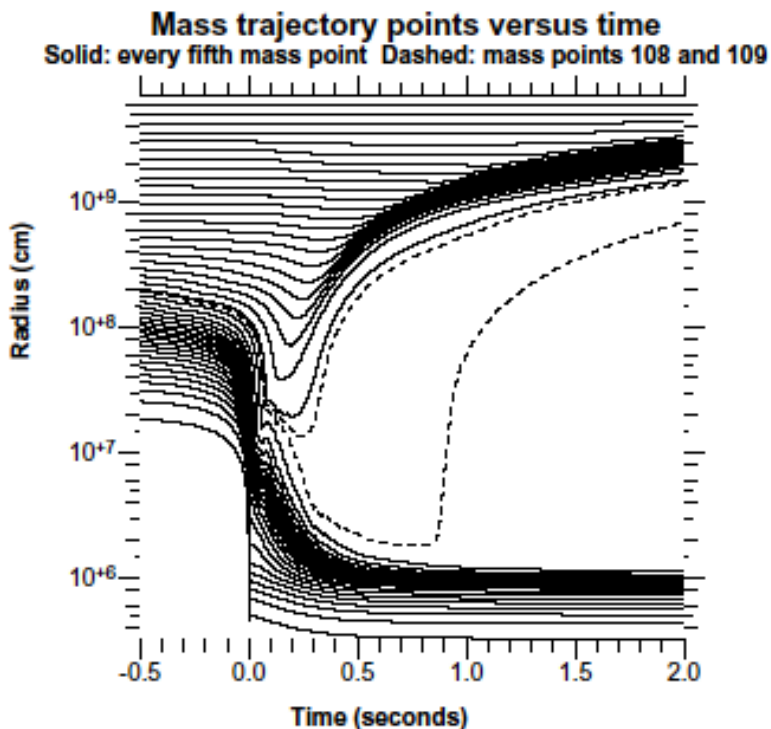
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- Can we detect precursor (Si burning neutrinos) ?

# Neutrino emission from core collapse supernova

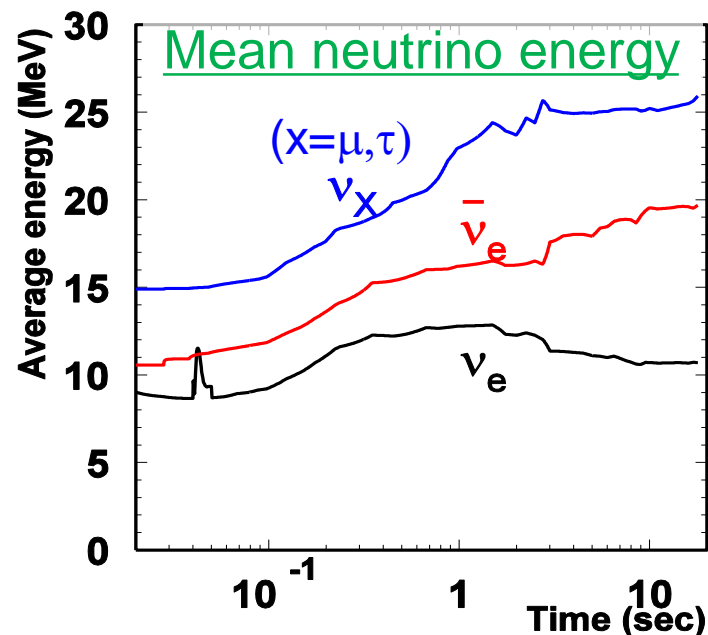
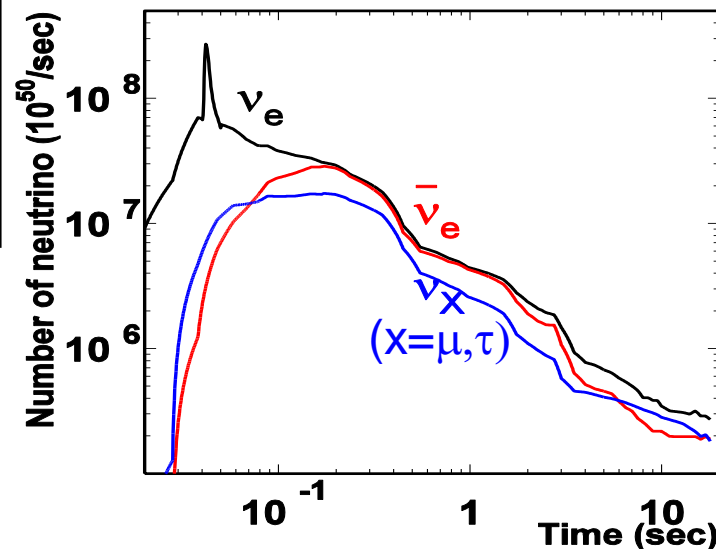
Released gravitational energy:  $\sim 3 \times 10^{53}$  erg  
Neutrinos carry almost all (99%) of the energy.  
So, neutrino detection is important to investigate energy flow of the core collapse.

## Livermore simulation

(often used for signal estimation for neutrino detectors)

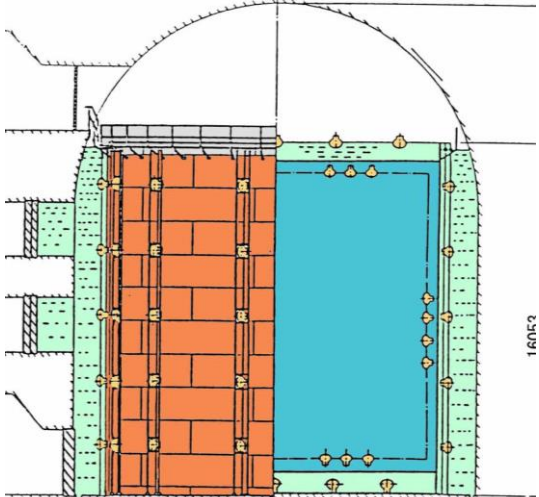


## Expected time profile



# SN1987A: supernova at LMC(50kpc)

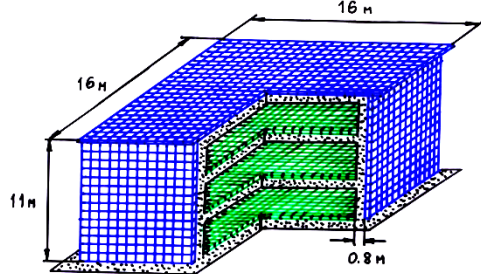
Kamiokande-II



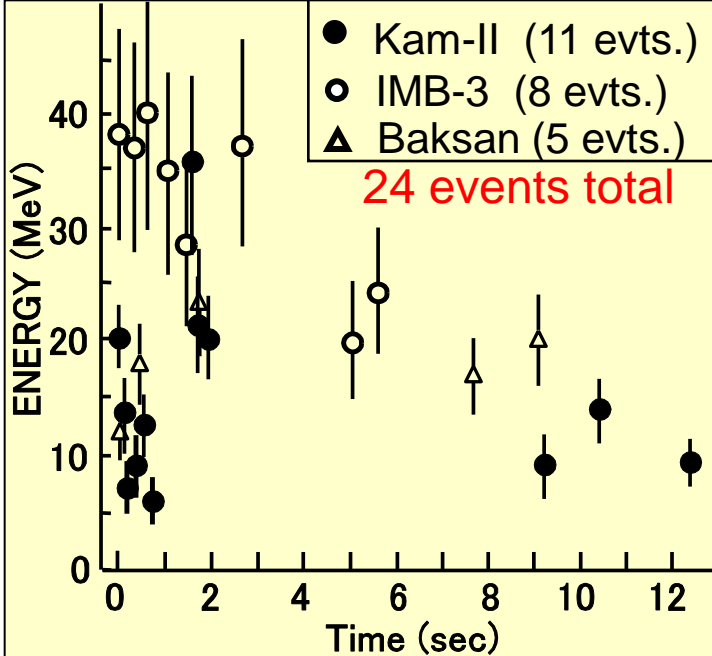
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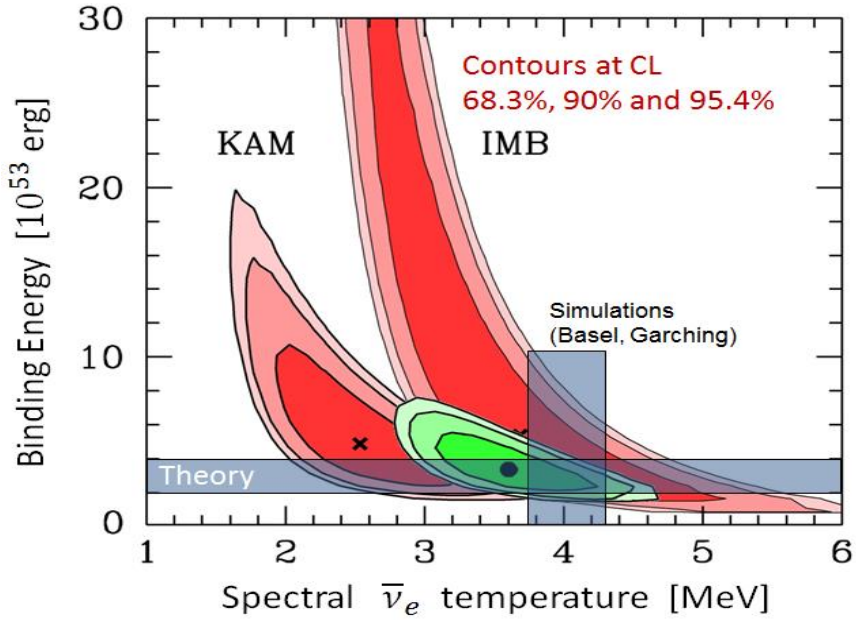
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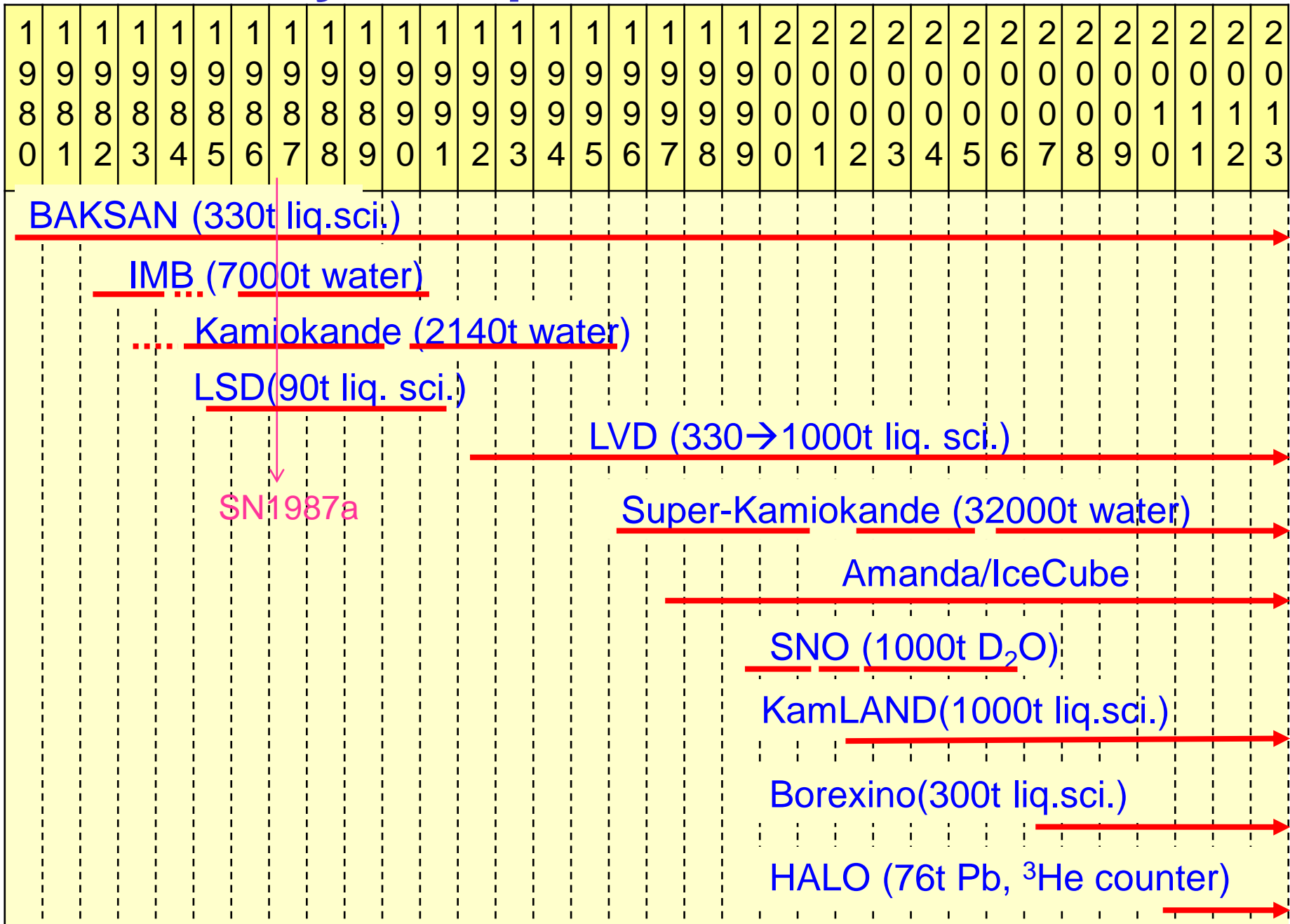
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## Interpreting SN 1987A Neutrinos



# History of supernova detectors

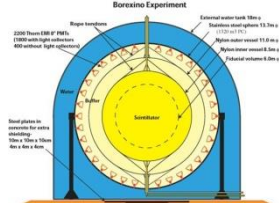


# Supernova burst detectors in the world

(running and near future experiments)

Super-Kamiokande

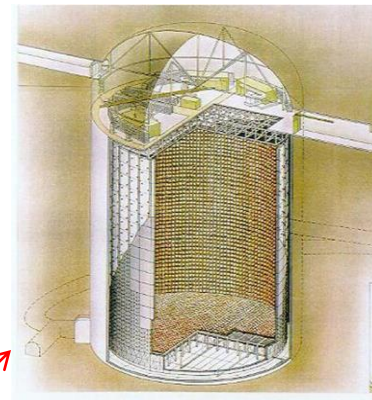
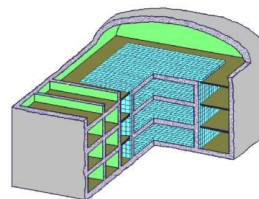
Borexino



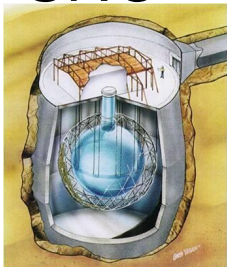
LVD



Baksan

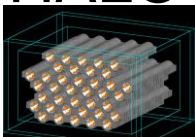


SNO+

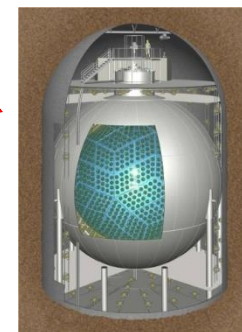


(under construction)

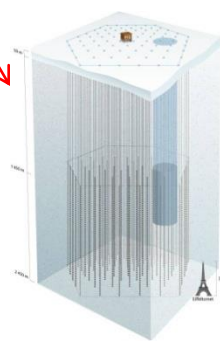
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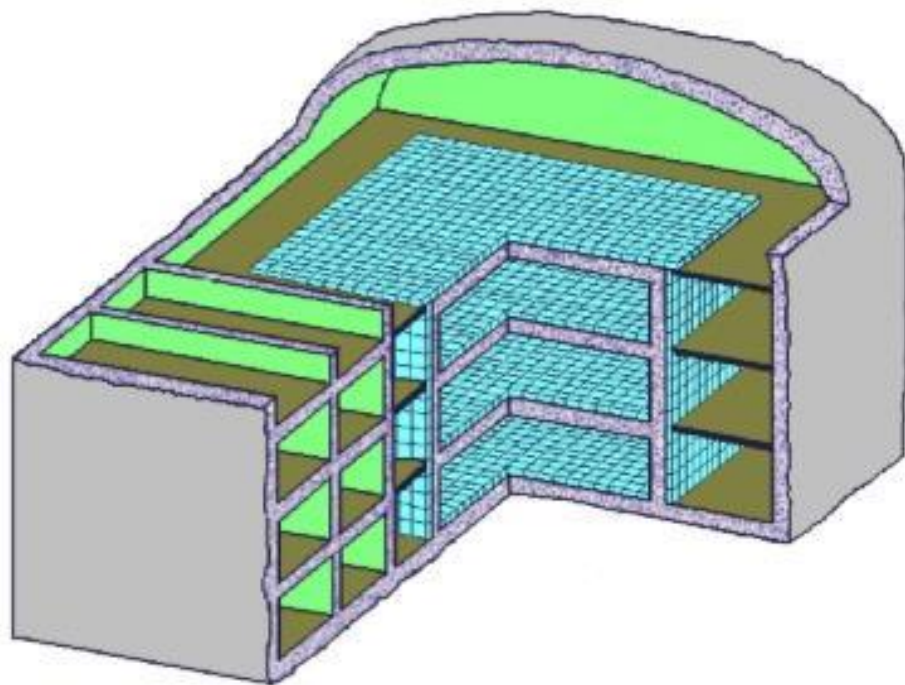
KamLAND



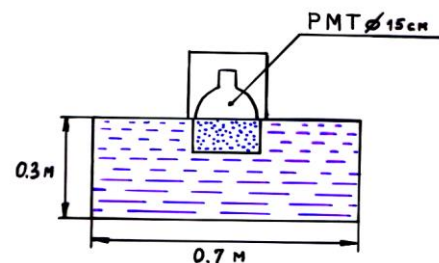
IceCube



# The Baksan underground scintillation telescope (Russia)



Each detector



E.N.Alexeyev, L.N.Alexeyeva, astro-ph/0212499  
A. Gaponenko et al., ICRC2013, Paper ID: 621

**Total number of standard detectors.....3150**

**Total target mass.....330 tons of oil-based scintillator**

**$\sim 100 \bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$  events expected for 10 kpc SN.  
Running since 1980 with  $\sim 90\%$  live time.**

**No candidate for 28 years' observation time from 1980 to 2013.  
Upper limit of SN rate:  $< 0.082$  /yr**

# LVD detector (at Gran Sasso, Italy)



LVD consists of an array of 840 counters, 1.5 m<sup>3</sup> each.

*Total target:  
1000 + liquid scintillator*

4MeV threshold

With <1MeV threshold for delayed signal (neutron tagging efficiency of 50 +/- 10 %)

E resolution: 13%(1 $\sigma$ ) at 15MeV

$\sim 300 \bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$  events  
expected for 10 kpc SN.

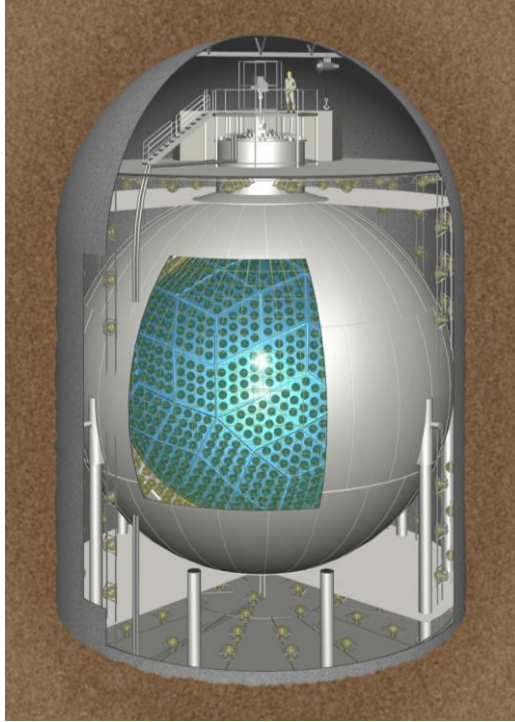
No candidate for 19.3 years from 1992 to 2013.

Upper limit of SN rate: < 0.12 /yr



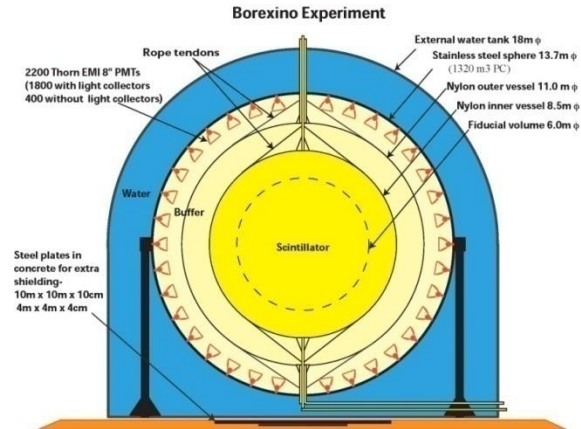
# Single volume liquid scintillator detectors

KamLAND  
(Kamioka, Japan)



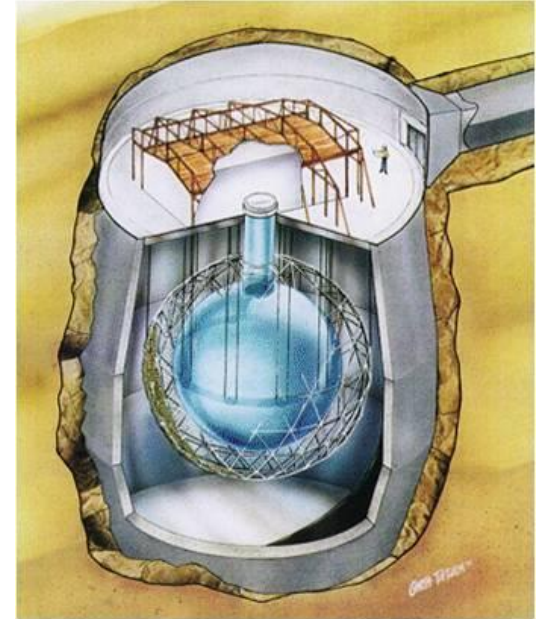
**1000ton liq.sci.**  
**Running since 2002.**

Borexino  
(Gran Sasso, Italy)



**300ton liq.sci.**  
**Running since 2007.**

SNO+  
(SNO Lab., Canada)



**1000ton liq.sci.**  
**Under construction.**

# Liquid scintillator detectors

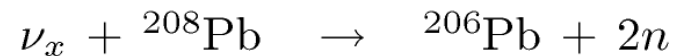
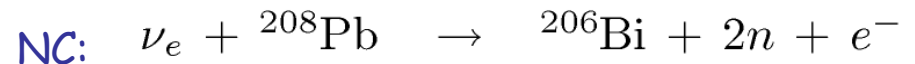
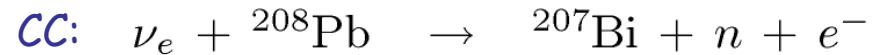
## Expected number of events(for 10kpc SN)

Events/1000 tons

- Inverse beta ( $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ ) : ~300 events  
Spectrum measurement with good energy resolution, e.g. for spectrum distortion of earth matter effect.
- CC on  $^{12}\text{C}$  ( $\nu_e + ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow e + ^{12}\text{N}(^{12}\text{B})$ ) : ~30 events  
Tagged by  $^{12}\text{N}(^{12}\text{B})$  beta decay
- Electron scattering ( $\nu + e^- \rightarrow \nu + e^-$ ) : ~20 events
- NC  $\gamma$  from  $^{12}\text{C}$  ( $\nu + ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \nu + ^{12}\text{C} + \gamma$ ) : ~60 events  
Total neutrino flux, 15.11MeV mono-energetic gamma
- $\nu + p$  scattering ( $\nu + p \rightarrow \nu + p$ ) : ~300 events  
Sensitive to all types of neutrinos.  
(Independent from neutrino oscillation)  
Spectrum measurement of higher energy component.

# HALO (SNOLAB, Canada)

SNO  $^3\text{He}$  neutron detectors with lead target



HALO is using 76 tonnes of Pb

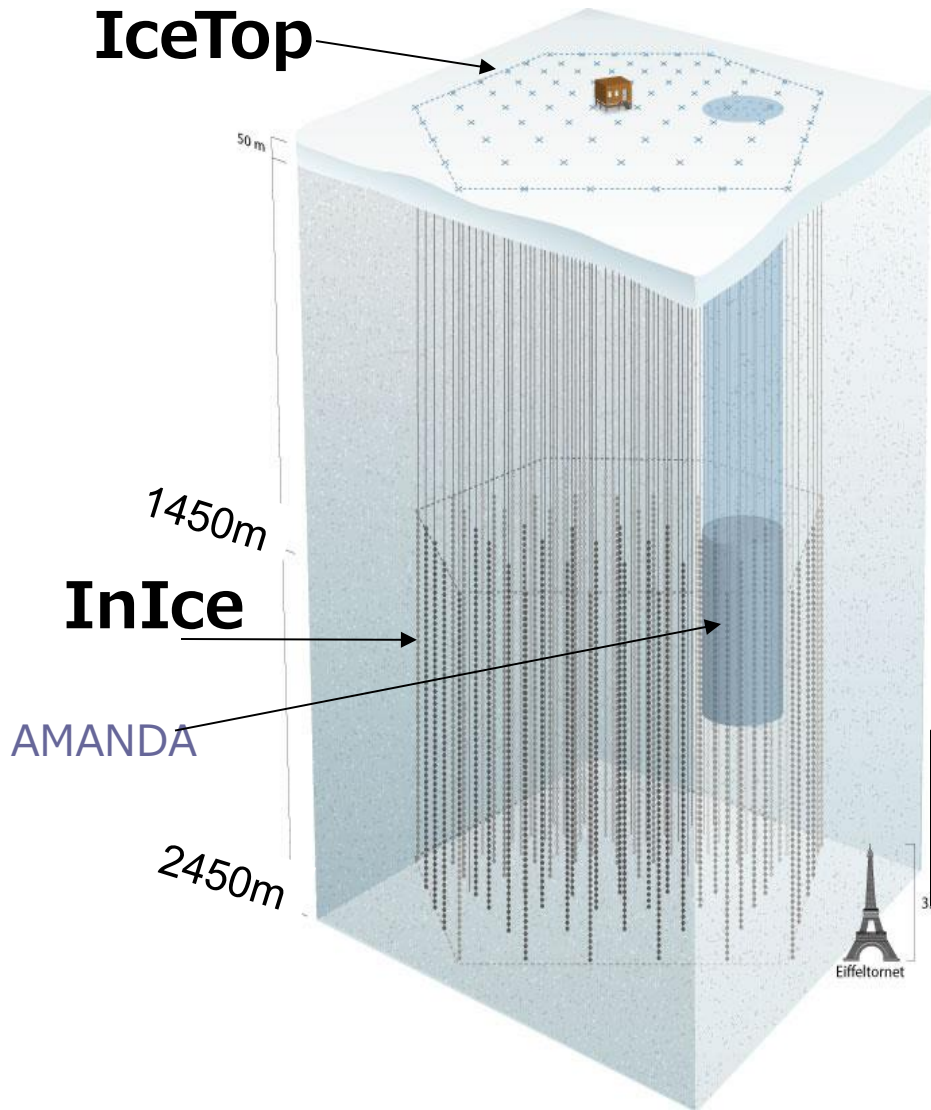
For a SN @ 10kpc<sup>†</sup>,

- Assuming FD distribution with  $T=8$  MeV for  $\nu_\mu$ 's,  $\nu_\tau$ 's.
- 68 neutrons through  $\nu_e$  charged current channels
- 20 neutrons through  $\nu_x$  neutral current channels

~ 88 neutrons liberated;

with ~50% of detection efficiency, **~40 events expected.**

# IceCube (South pole)



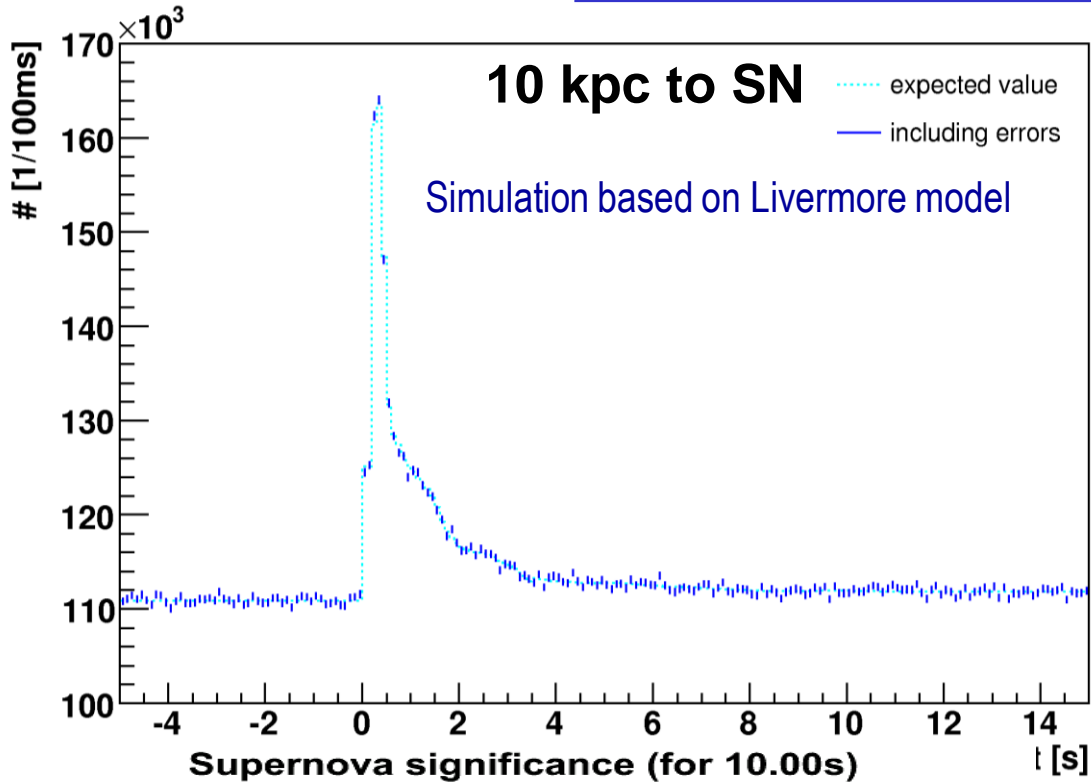
## Design Specifications

- Fully digital detector concept
- Number of strings – 75
- Number of surface tanks – 160
- Number of Optical modules (DOMs) – 4820
- Instrumented volume – 1 km<sup>3</sup>

Supernova neutrinos coherently increase single rates of PMTs.

Running with full detector configuration since Dec., 2010.

# IceCube signal



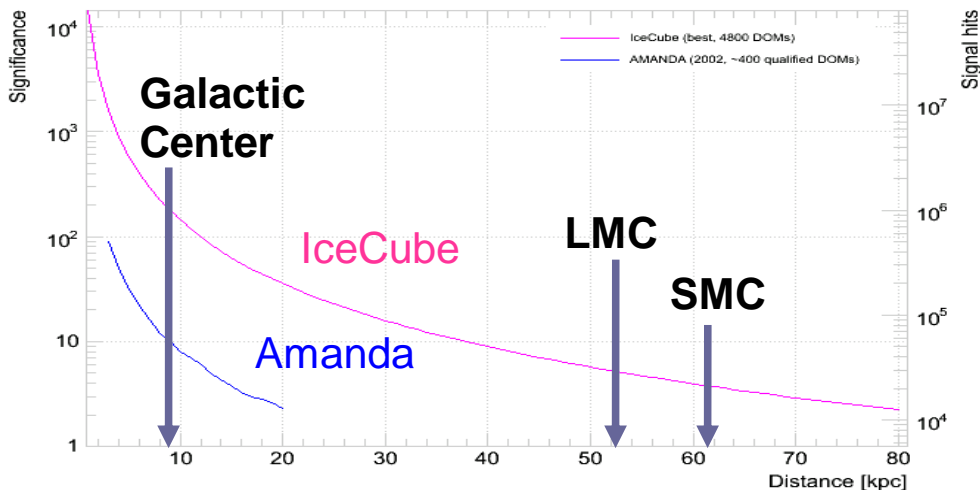
## Advantage:

- ☞ high statistics  
(0.75% stat. error  
@ 0.5s and 100ms bins)

**Good for fine time structures (noise low)!**

## Disadvantage:

- ☞ no pointing
- ☞ no energy
- ☞ intrinsic noise



## Significance:

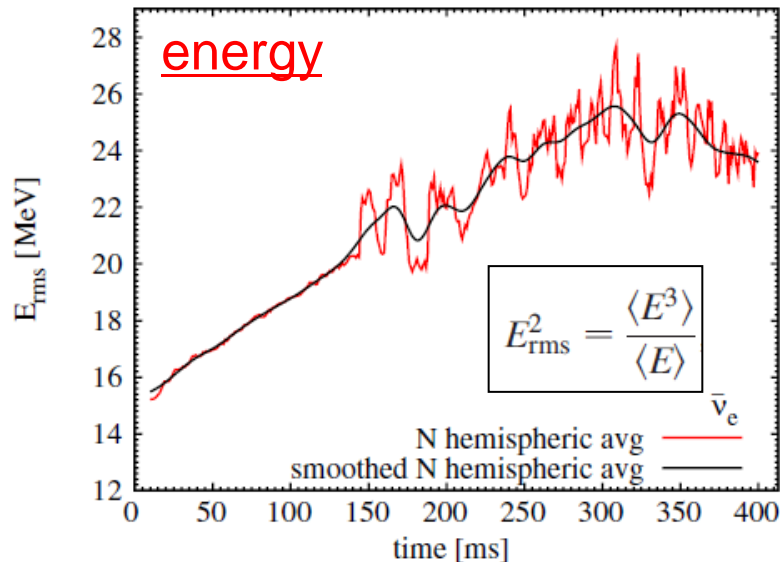
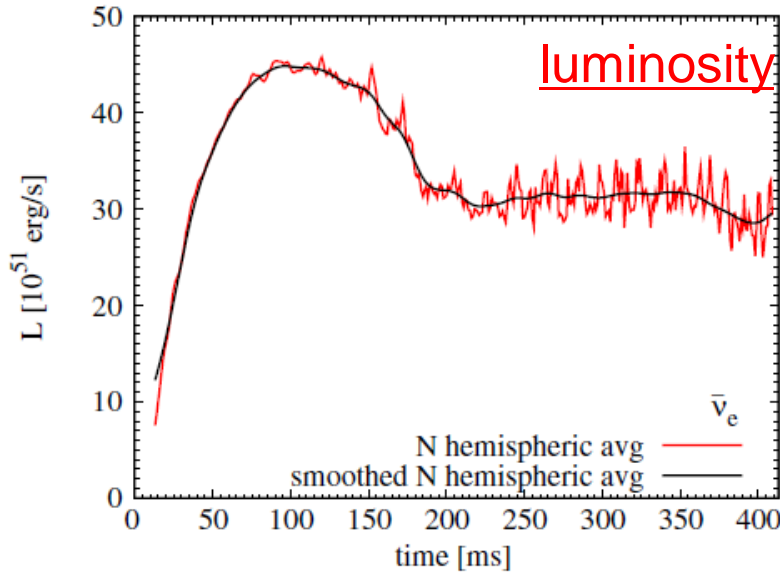
- Galactic center:  $\sim 200 \sigma$
- LMC :  $\sim 5 \sigma$
- SMC :  $\sim 4 \sigma$

# High frequency signal variation by SASI

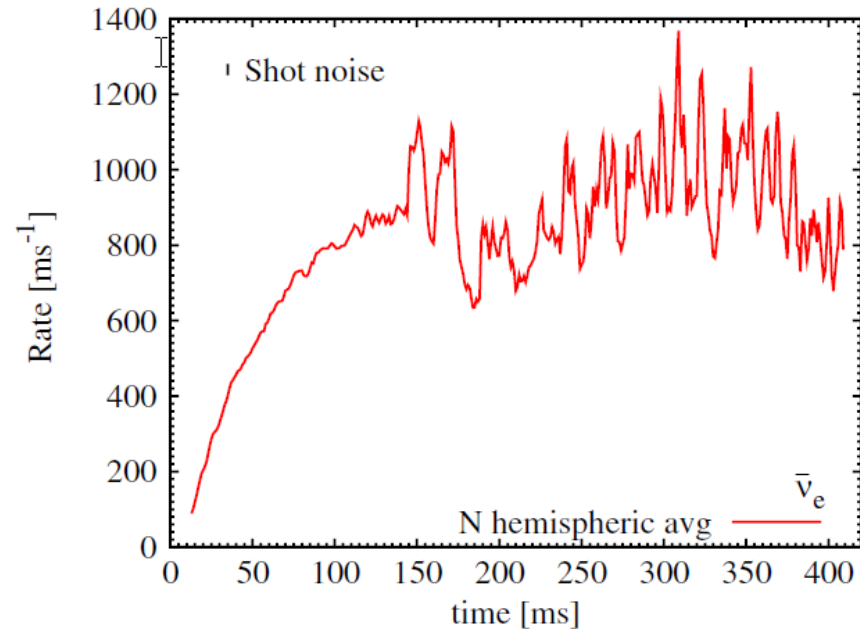
SASI=standing accretion shock instability

2-D(axially symmetric) simulation  
with PROMETHEUS-VERTEX code

Supernova at 10kpc

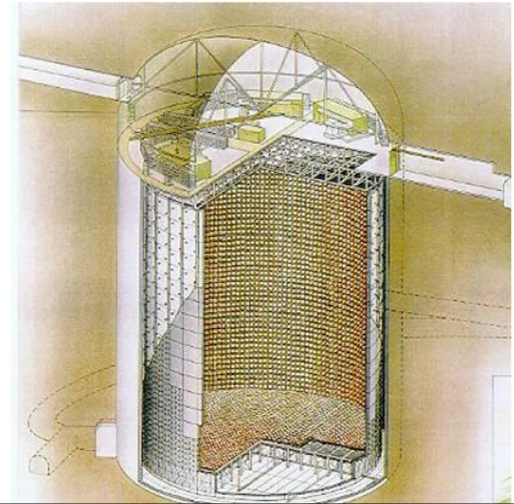
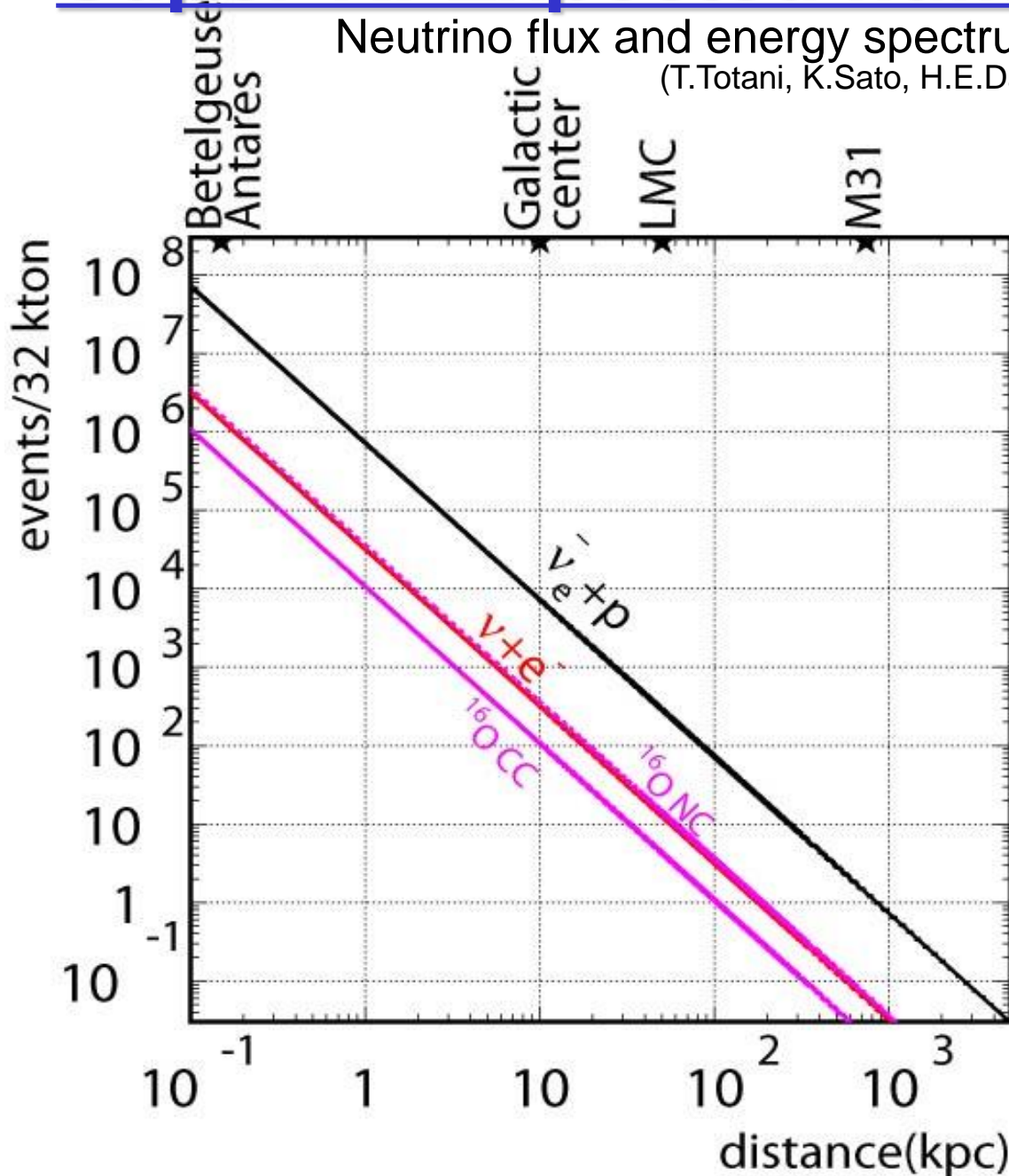


IceCube “event” rate



# Super-K: Expected number of events

Neutrino flux and energy spectrum from Livermore simulation  
(T.Totani, K.Sato, H.E.Dalhed and J.R.Wilson, ApJ.496,216(1998))



32kton water Cherenkov

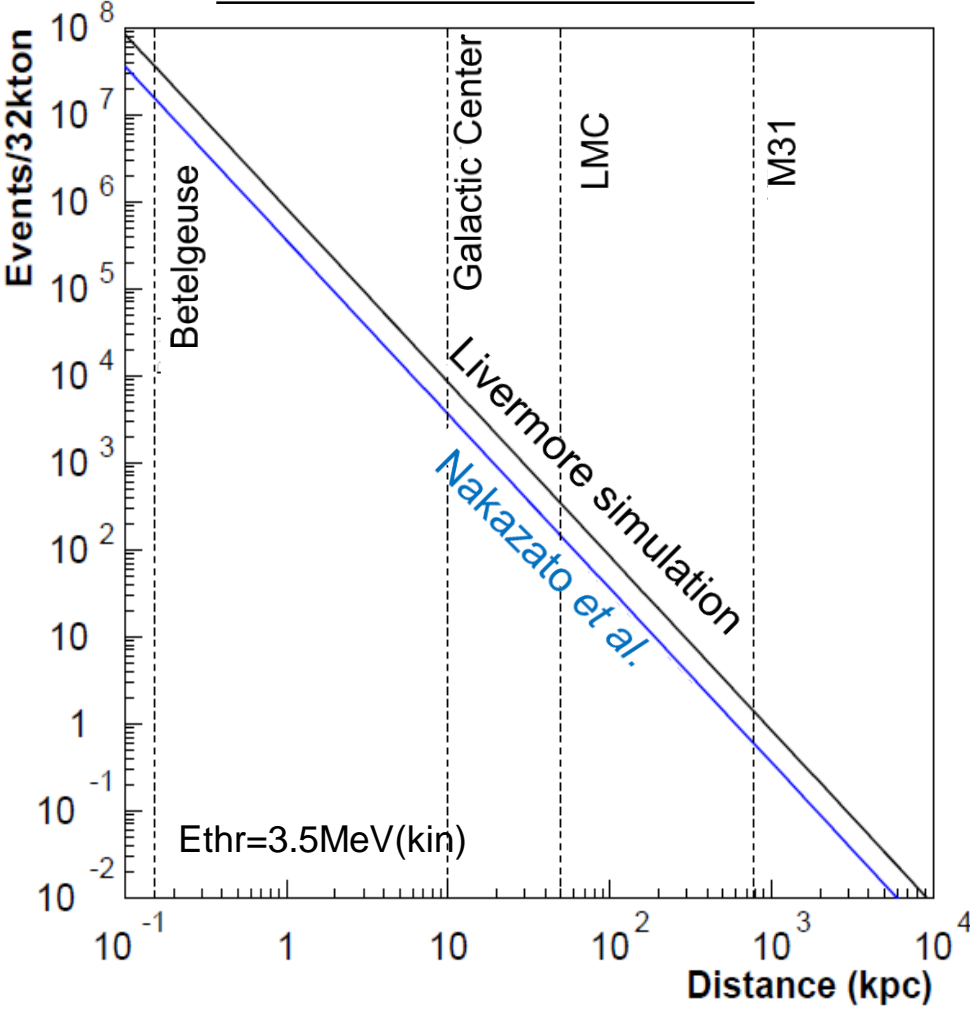
- ~7,300  $\bar{\nu}_e + p$  events
  - ~300  $\nu + e$  events
  - ~360  $^{16}\text{O}$  NC  $\gamma$  events
  - ~100  $^{16}\text{O}$  CC events
- (with 5MeV thr.)  
for 10 kpc supernova

# Model dependence of Super-K prediction

Livermore simulation T.Totani, K.Sato, H.E.Dalhed and J.R.Wilson, ApJ.496,216(1998)

Nakazato et al. K.Nakazato, K.Sumiyoshi, H.Suzuki, T.Totani, H.Umeda, and S.Yamada, ApJ.Suppl. 205 (2013) 2, (20M<sub>sun</sub>, trev=200msec, z=0.02 case)

Total number of events



Number of events comparison

	Livermore	Nakazato
$\bar{\nu}_e + p$	7300	3100
$\nu + e$	320	170
<sup>16</sup> O CC	110	57

for 10 kpc supernova  
 32kton SK volume  
 4.5MeV(kin) threshold  
 without  $\nu$  oscillation

Factor of ~2 difference



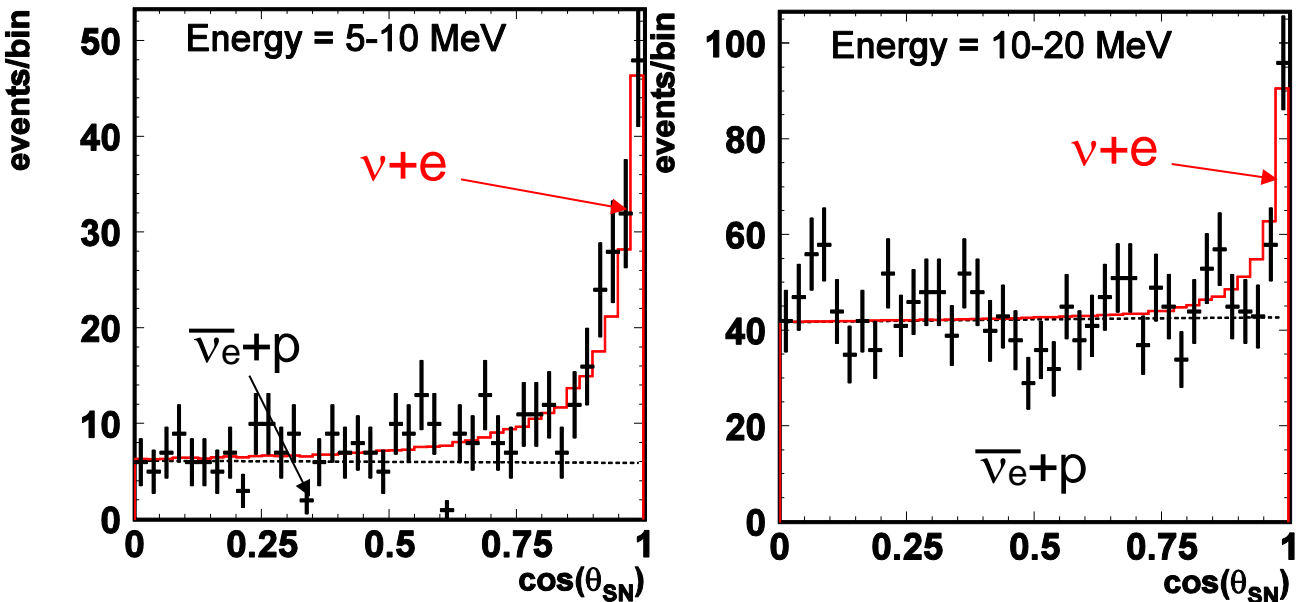
# Summary of current supernova $\nu$ detectors

# of events expected for 10kpc.

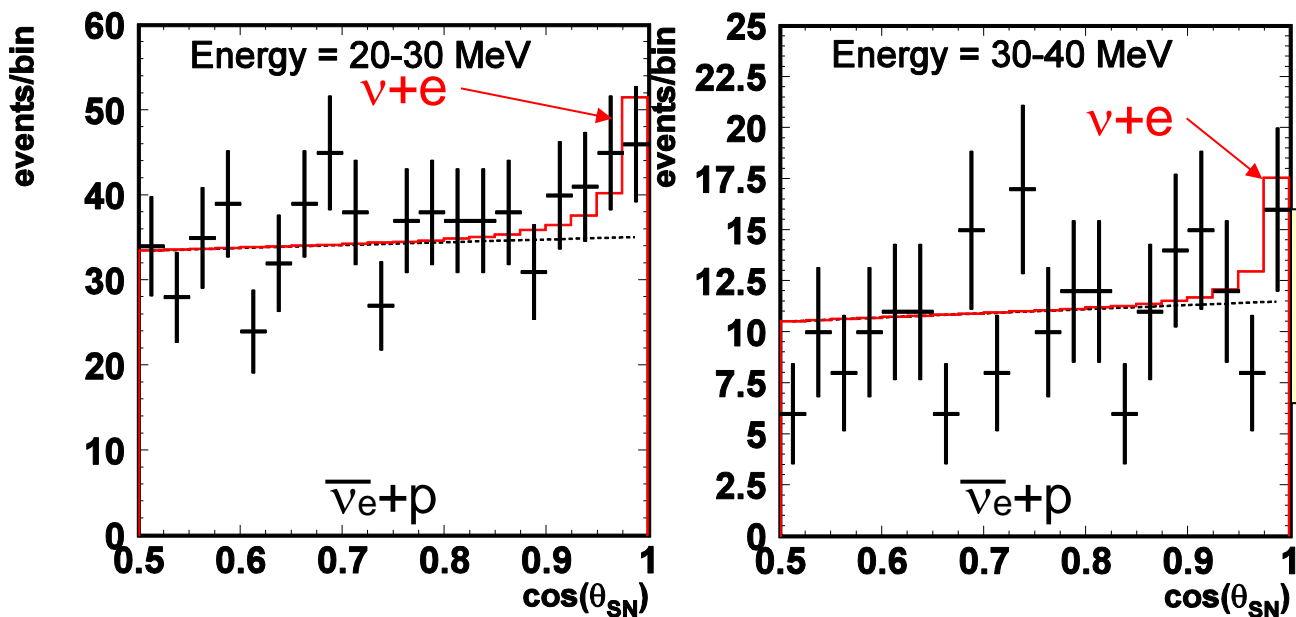
Directionality  $\rightarrow$

Baksan (1980-)	330 ton liquid scintillator $\sim 100 \bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$ events.	No
LVD (1992-)	1000 ton liquid scintillator. 840 counters 1.5m <sup>3</sup> each. 4 MeV thres., $\sim 50\%$ eff. for tagging decayed signal. $\sim 300 \bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$ events.	No
Super-K (1996-)	32,000 tons of water target. $\sim 7300 \bar{\nu}_e p \rightarrow e^+ n$ , $\sim 300 \nu e \rightarrow \nu e$ scattering events.	Yes
KamLAND (2002-)	1000 ton liquid scintillator, single volume. $\sim 300 \bar{\nu}_e p$ , several 10 CC on <sup>12</sup> C, $\sim 60$ NC $\gamma$ , $\sim 300 \nu p \rightarrow \nu p$	No
ICECUBE (2005-)	Gigaton ice target. By coherent increase of PMT single rates. High precision time structure measurement.	No
BOREXINO (2007-)	300 ton liquid scintillator, single volume. $\sim 100 \bar{\nu}_e p$ , $\sim 10$ CC on <sup>12</sup> C, $\sim 20$ NC $\gamma$ , $\sim 100 \nu p \rightarrow \nu p$	No
HALO (2010-)	SNO <sup>3</sup> He neutron detectors with 76 ton lead target. $\sim 40$ events expected.	No

# Super-K: simulation of angular distribution



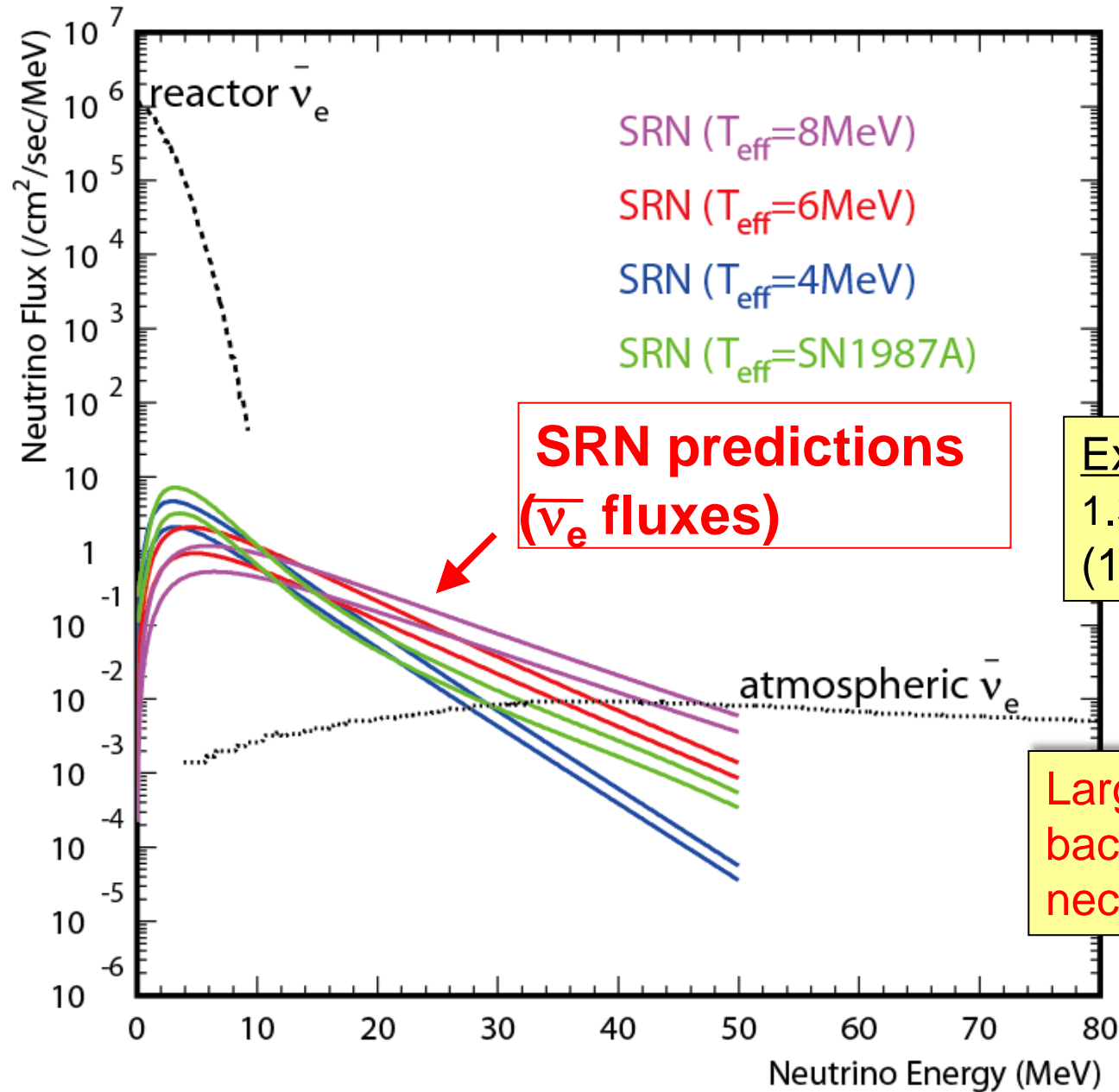
**SN at 10kpc**



Direction of supernova can be determined with an accuracy of  $\sim 5$  degree.

Neutrino flux and spectrum from Livermore simulation

# Supernova Relic Neutrinos



SRN flux from Horiuchi et al.  
PRD, 79, 083013 (2009)

Expected SRN events  
1.3 -6.7 events/year/22.5kt  
(10-30MeV)

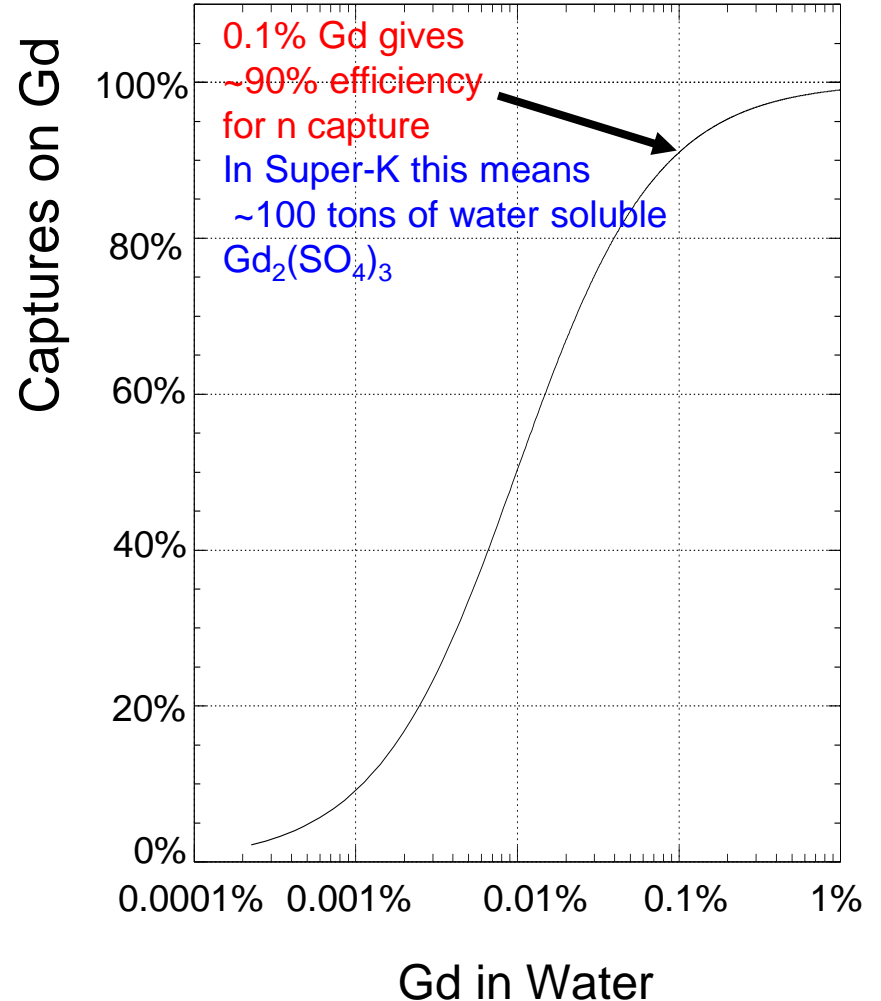
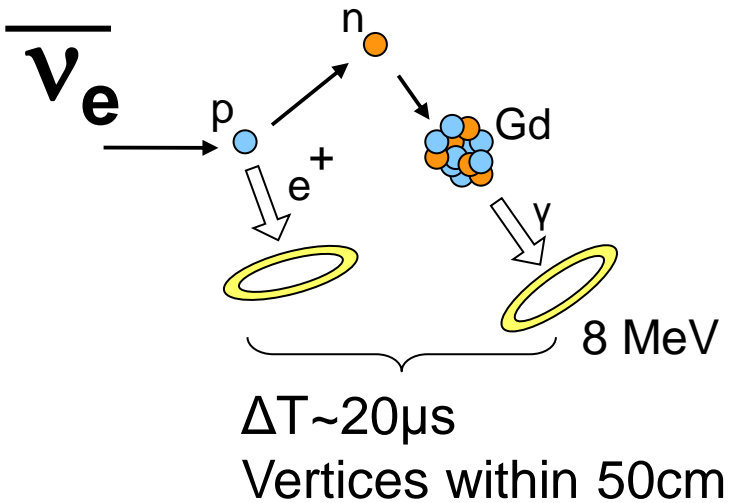
SK fiducial  
volume

Large target mass and high  
background reduction are  
necessary.

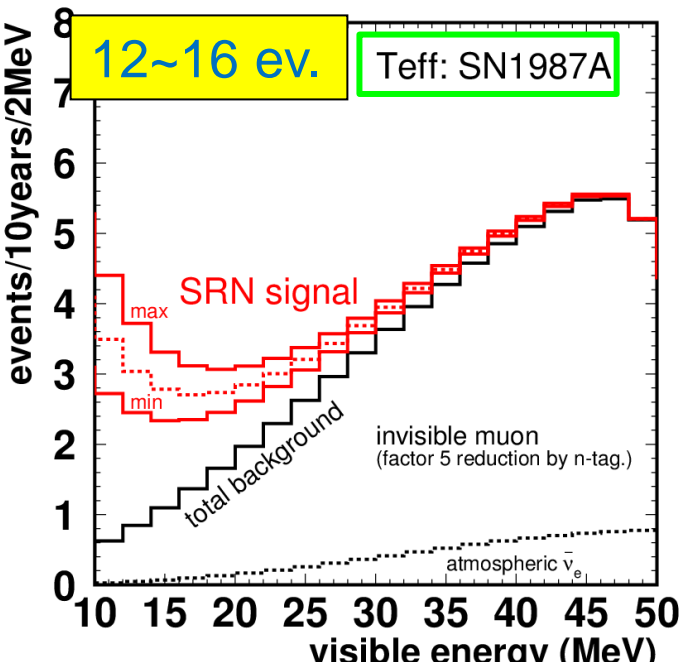
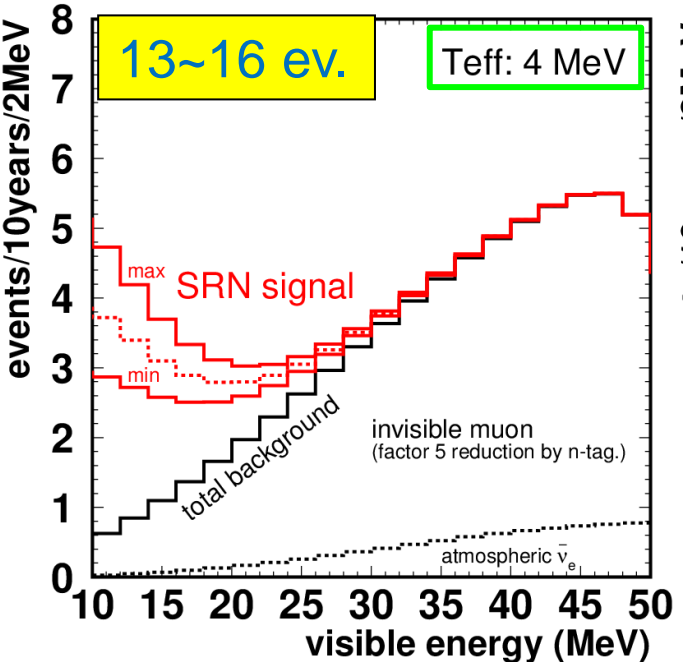
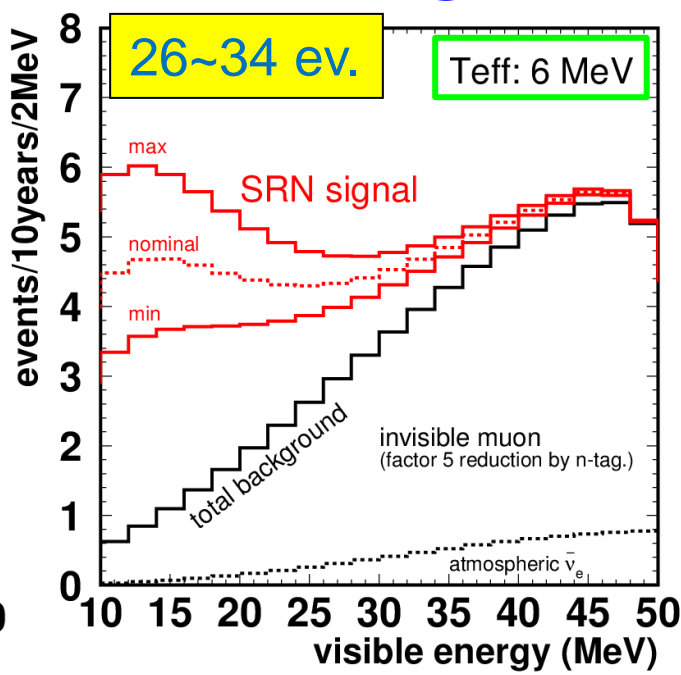
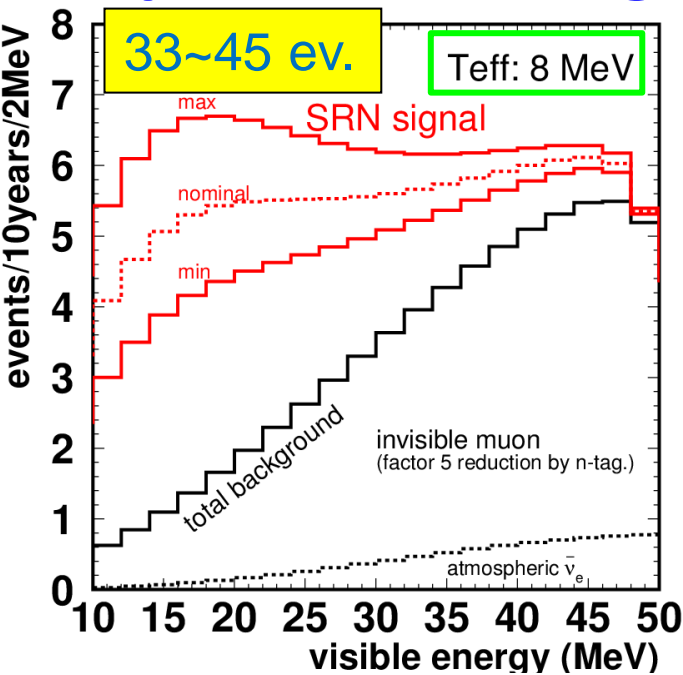
# GADZOOKS! project at Super-K

Identify  $\bar{\nu}_e p$  events by neutron tagging with Gadolinium.

Gadolinium has large neutron capture cross section and emit 8MeV gamma cascade.



# Expected SRN signal and background at Super-K



Expect number of events in 10 years in  $E_{\text{total}} = 10\text{-}30 \text{ MeV}$

Assuming

Capture efficiency of 90% and Gd gamma detection efficiency of 74%.

Invisible muon B.G. is 35% of the SK-IV invisible muon BG.

Min/nominal/Max are due to uncertainties in astronomy.

Background:  $\sim 18 \text{ ev.}$

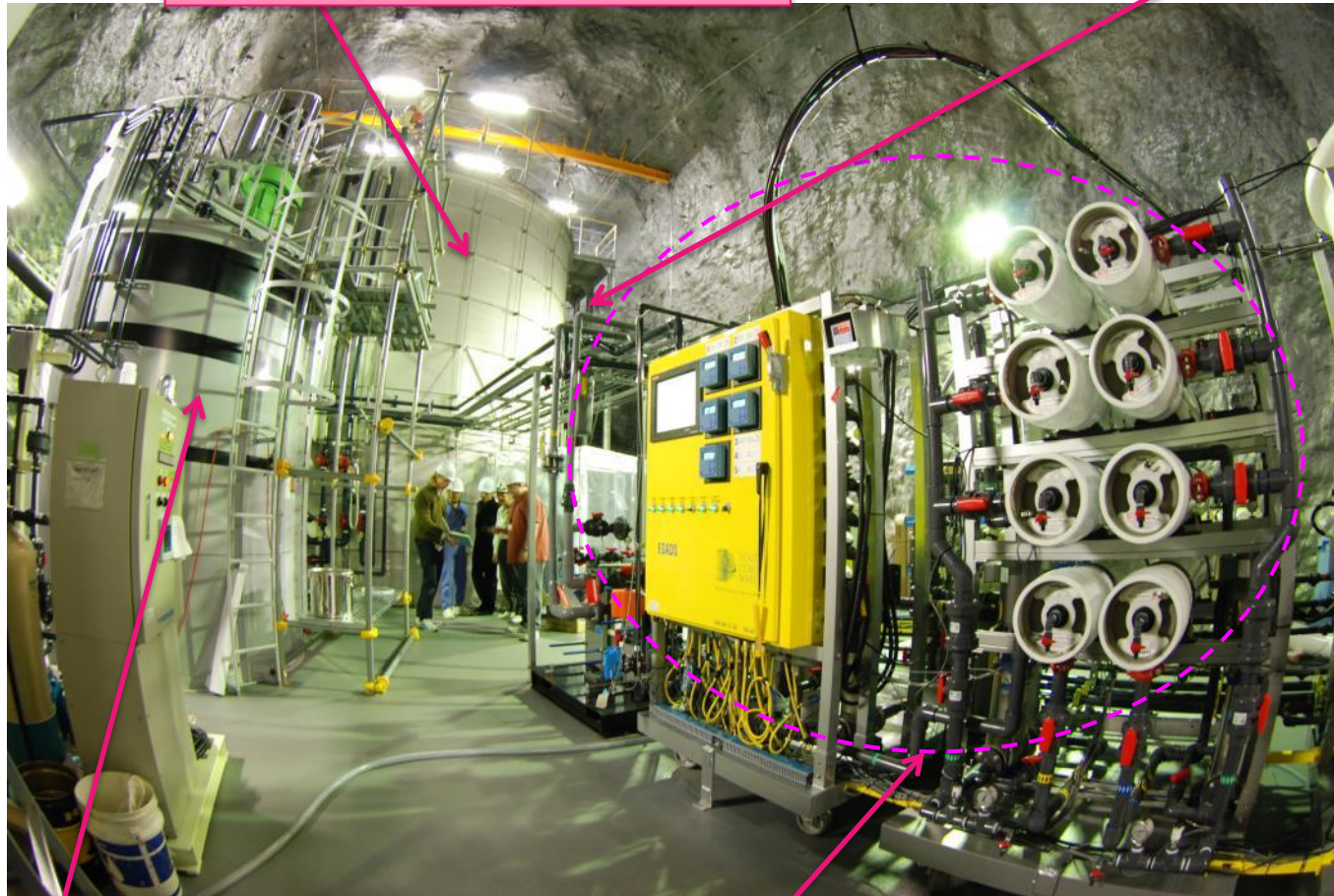
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# EGADS

## Evaluating Gadolinium's Action on Detector Systems

Transparency measurement (UDEAL)

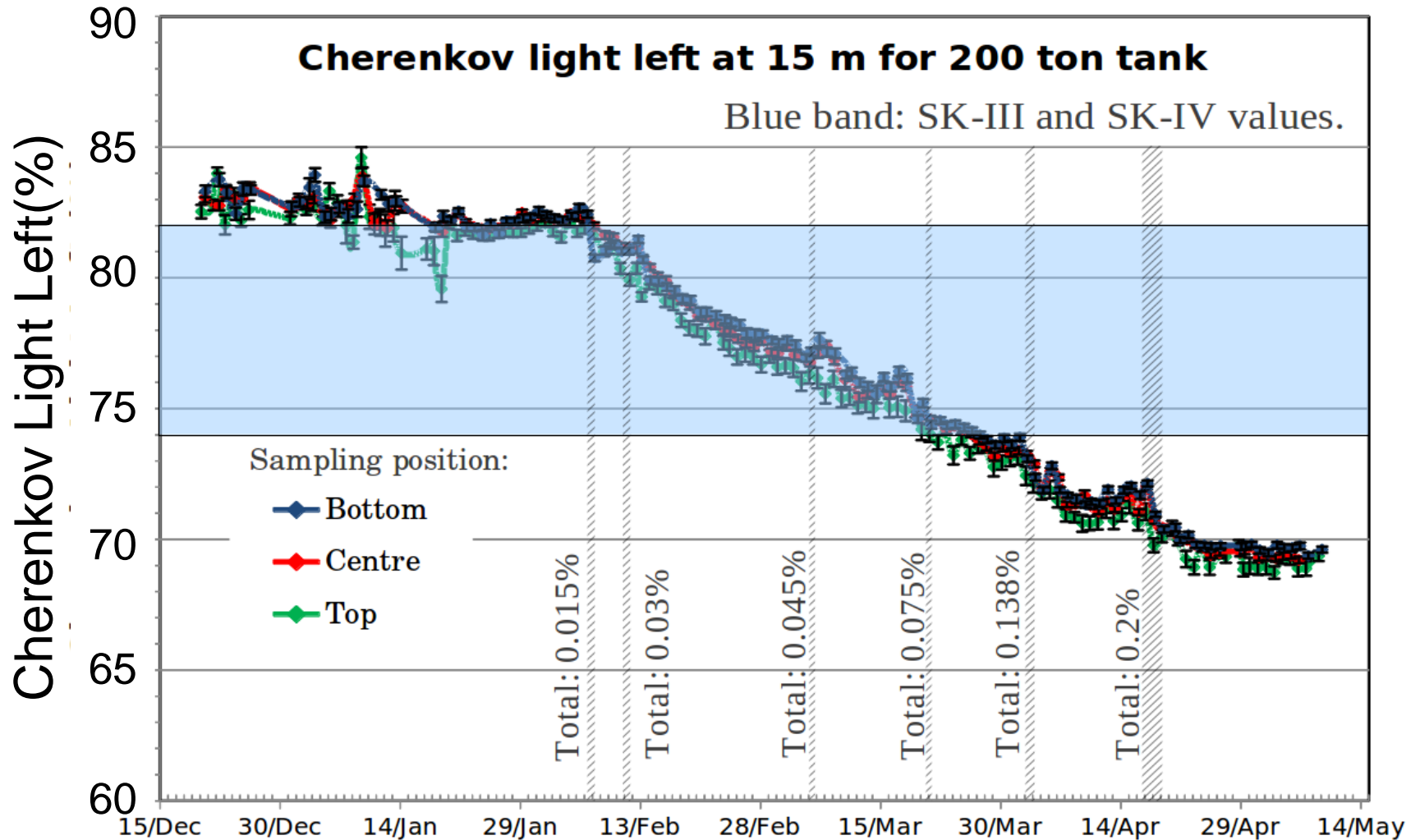
200 m<sup>3</sup> tank with 240 PMTs



15m<sup>3</sup> tank to dissolve Gd

Gd water circulation system (purify water with Gd)

# Transparency of Gd-loaded water (before mounting PMTs)



The light left at 15 m in the 200m<sup>3</sup> tank (stainless steel) was ~69% for 0.2% Gd<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, which corresponds to ~84% of pure water.

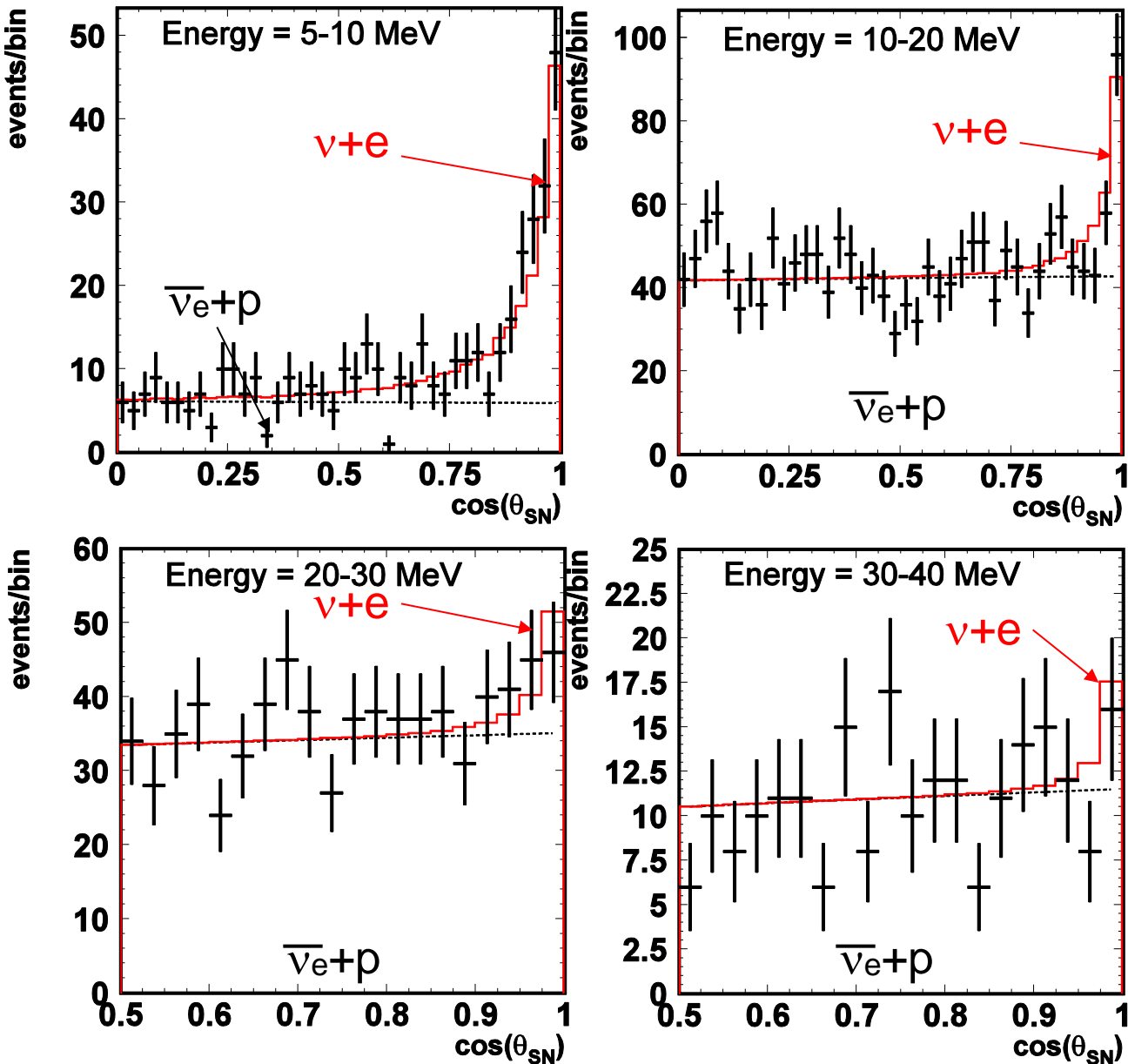
240 PMTs were mounted in the 200 m<sup>3</sup> tank in this summer.



Pure water circulation was started.  
Gd-loaded test is expected start soon.



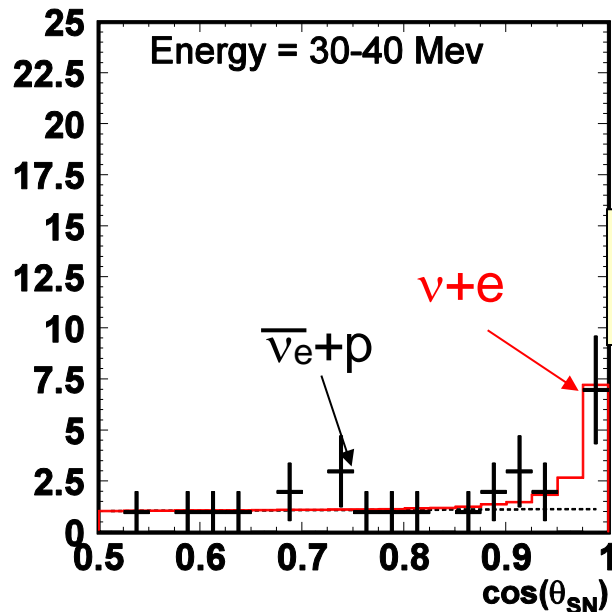
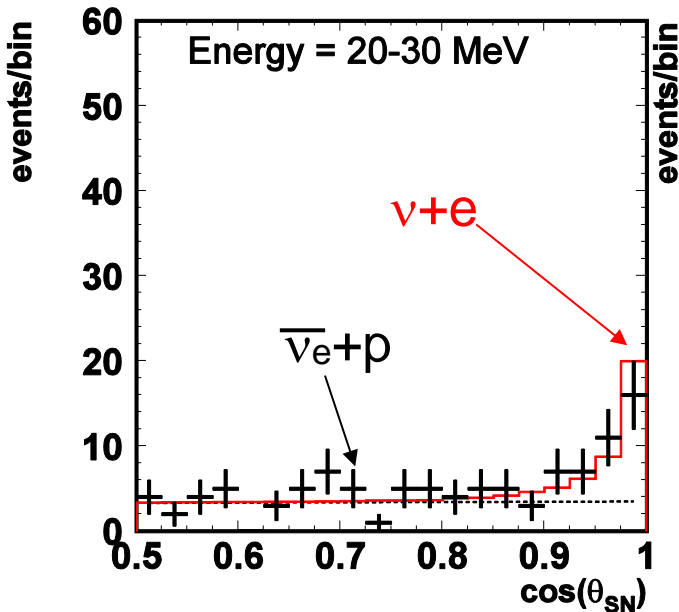
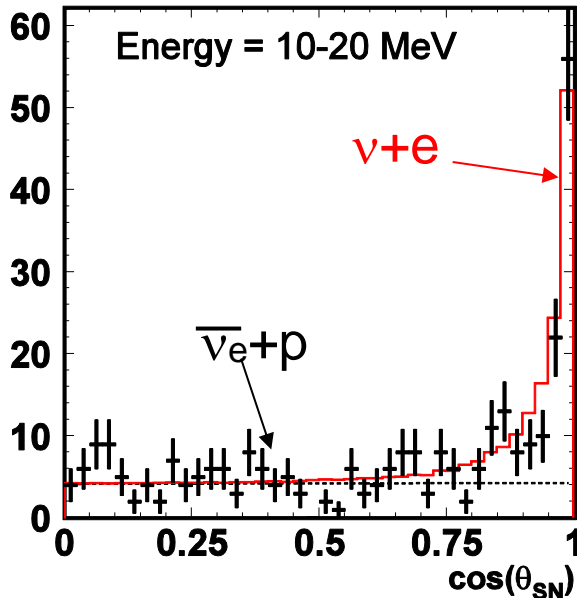
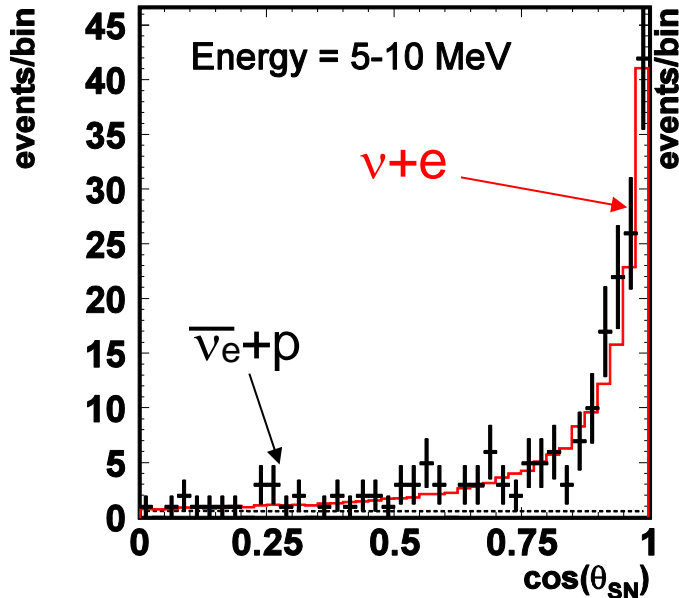
# Super-K: Angular distribution (without Gd)



Without  $\bar{\nu}_e p$   
identification by  
neutron tagging

SN at 10kpc

# Super-K: Angular distribution (with Gd)



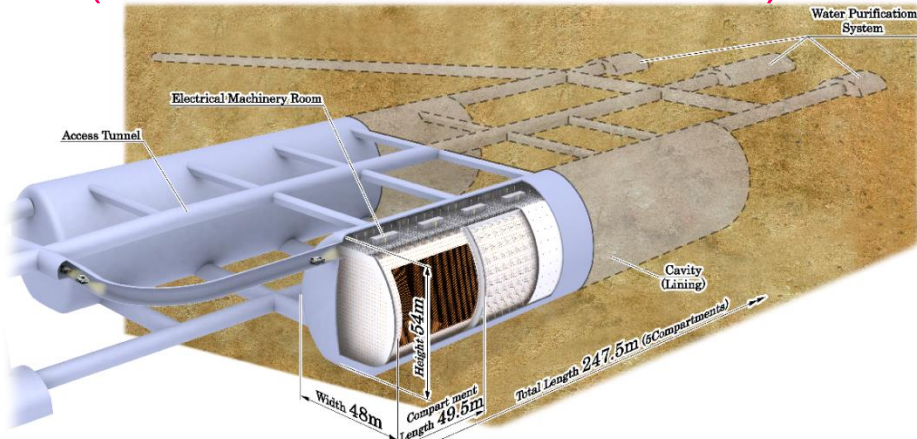
With  $\bar{\nu}_e p$   
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Direction accuracy can be improved to  $\sim 3$  degree.

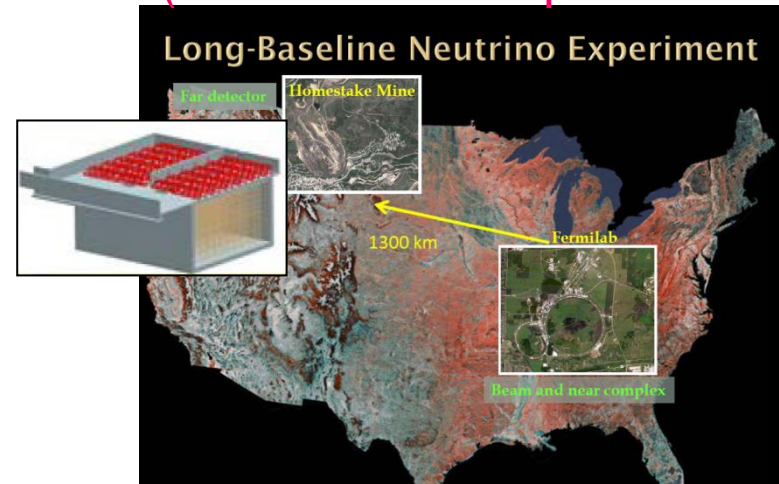
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# Future Large Volume Detectors

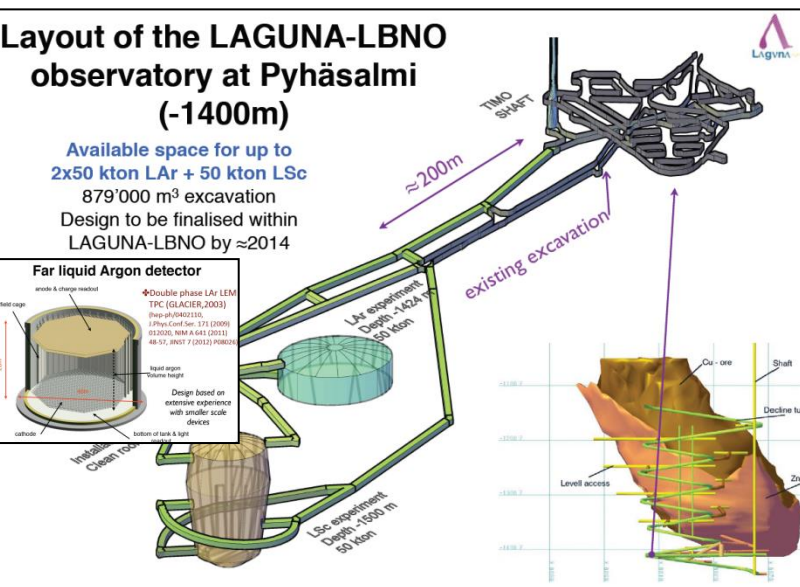
## Hyper-Kamiokande (0.74 Mton Water Cherenkov)



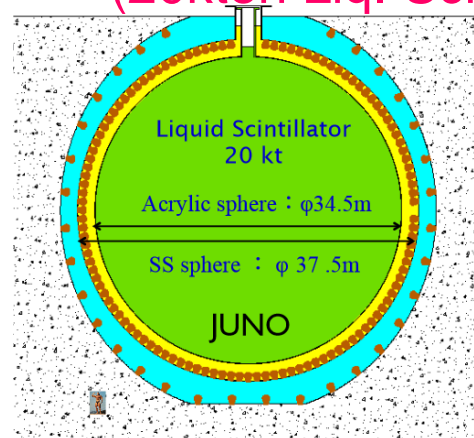
## LBNE (US) (10 – 34 kton Liq. Ar detector)



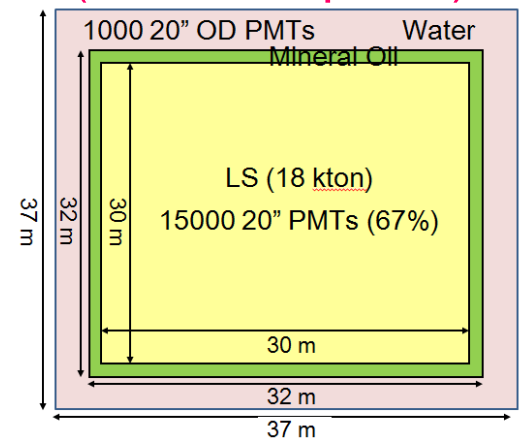
## LBNO (Europe) (20kton Liq. Ar, 50kton Liq. scintillator)



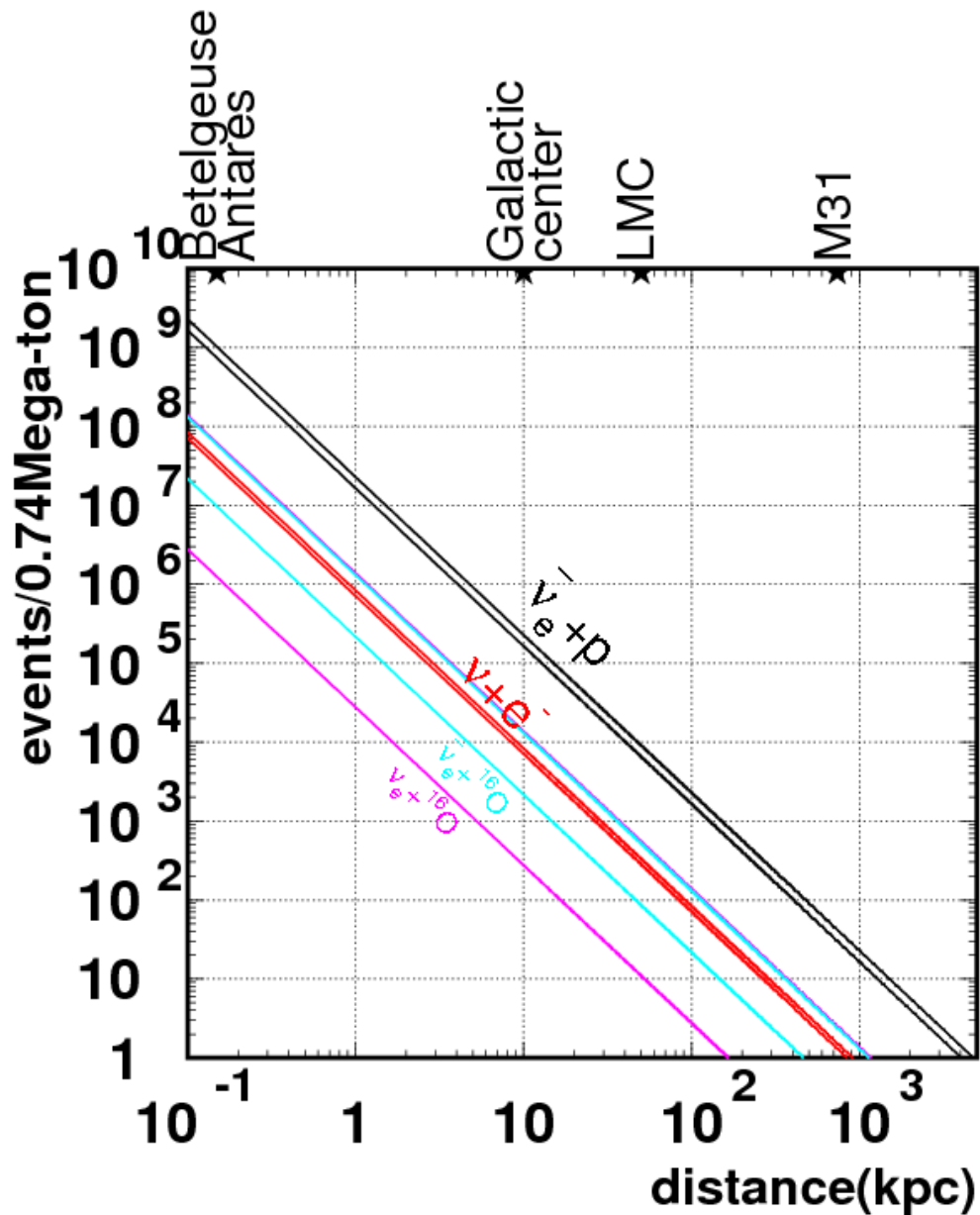
## JUNO (China) (20kton Liq. Sci.)



## RENO-50 (Korea) (18kton Liq. Sci.)



# Supernova events at Hyper-Kamiokande



~200,000  $\bar{\nu}_e + p$  events  
 7,000~8000  $\nu + e^-$  events  
 ~10,000  $\nu + {}^{16}\text{O}$  events

for 10 kpc supernova

30~50 events even for M31  
 supernova

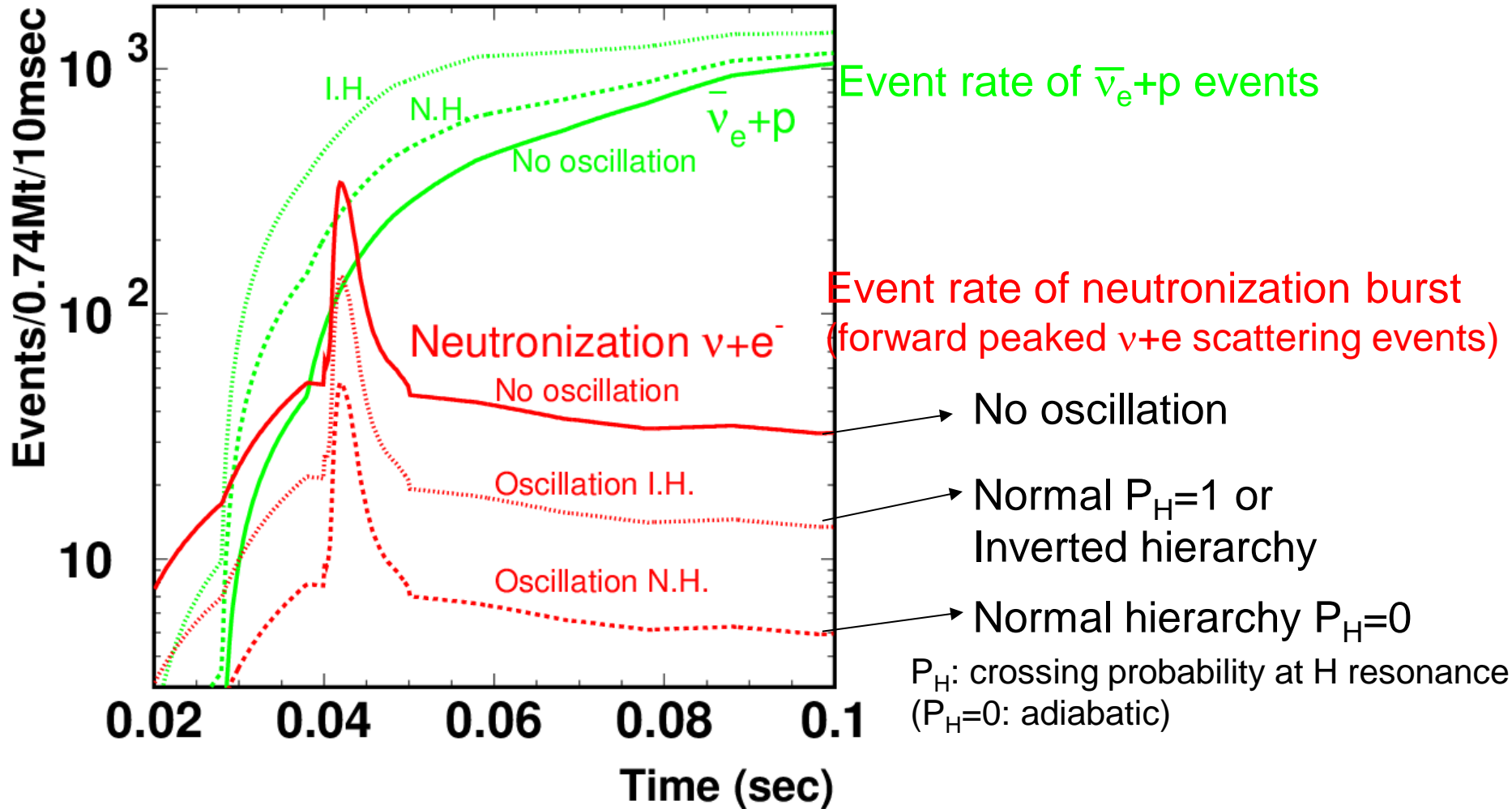
Each band covers, no osc.,  
 N.H. and I.H. cases

# Hyper-K: Neutronization burst



Neutrino flux and spectrum from Livermore simulation

**SN at 10kpc**



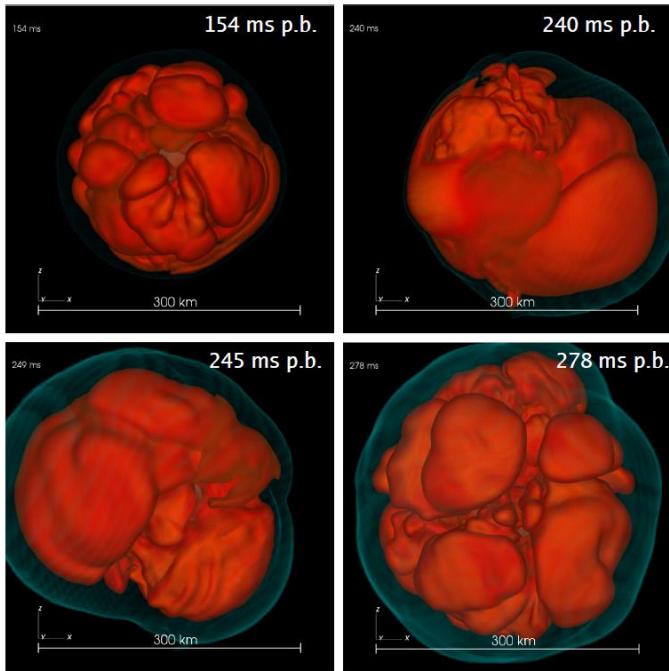
Number of events from neutronization burst is 20~130 events for SN@10kpc.

$\bar{\nu}_e + p$  events during this 10msec is about 190 - 200 events.

N.H. +adiamatic case: neutronization= $\sim 20$ ev.,  $\bar{\nu}_e + p = \sim 350$  ev.( $\sim 35$  for SN direction).

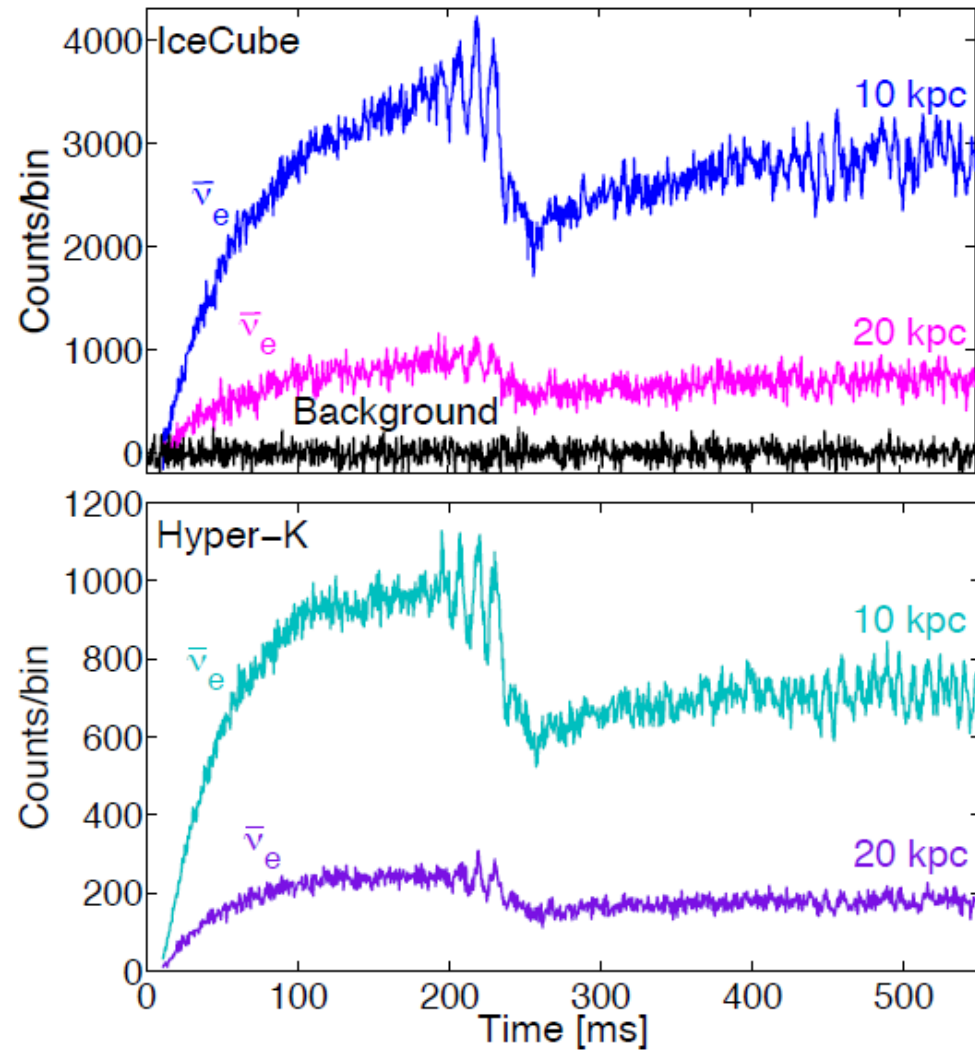
# SASI Detection Perspective

I. Tamborra (TAUP2013)



Their 3D  $27 M_{\text{SUN}}$  progenitor shows pronounced SASI.

SASI sinusoidal modulation of the neutrino signal will be detectable by IceCube and Hyper-K.

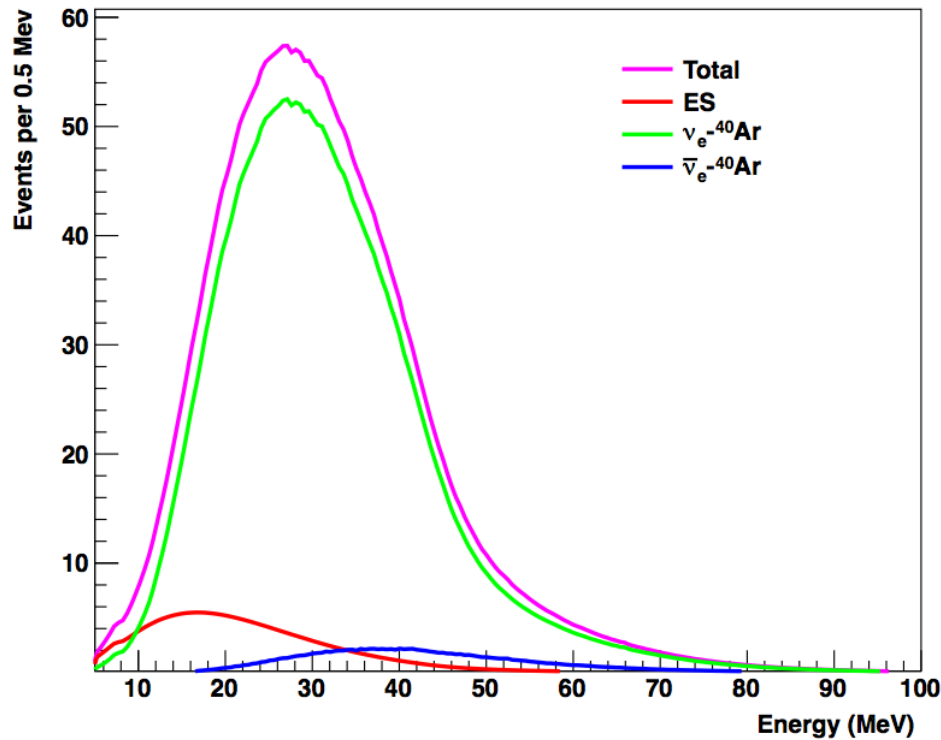


I. Tamborra et al., arXiv:1307.7936

# Expected signal in Liquid Ar

For 34 kton Liq. Ar      SN @ 10 kpc

Interactions, as a function of neutrino energy



Channel	No of events (observed), GKVM, 34 kton	No. of events (observed), Livermore
Nue-Ar40	2848	2308
Nuebar-Ar40	134	194
ES	178	296
<b>Total</b>	<b>3160</b>	<b>2798</b>



**Dominated by  $\nu_e$**

# If Betelgeuse explodes...

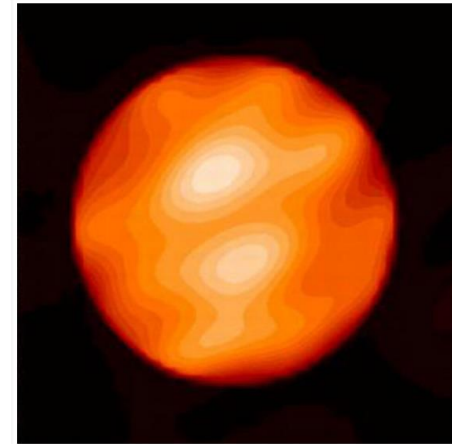
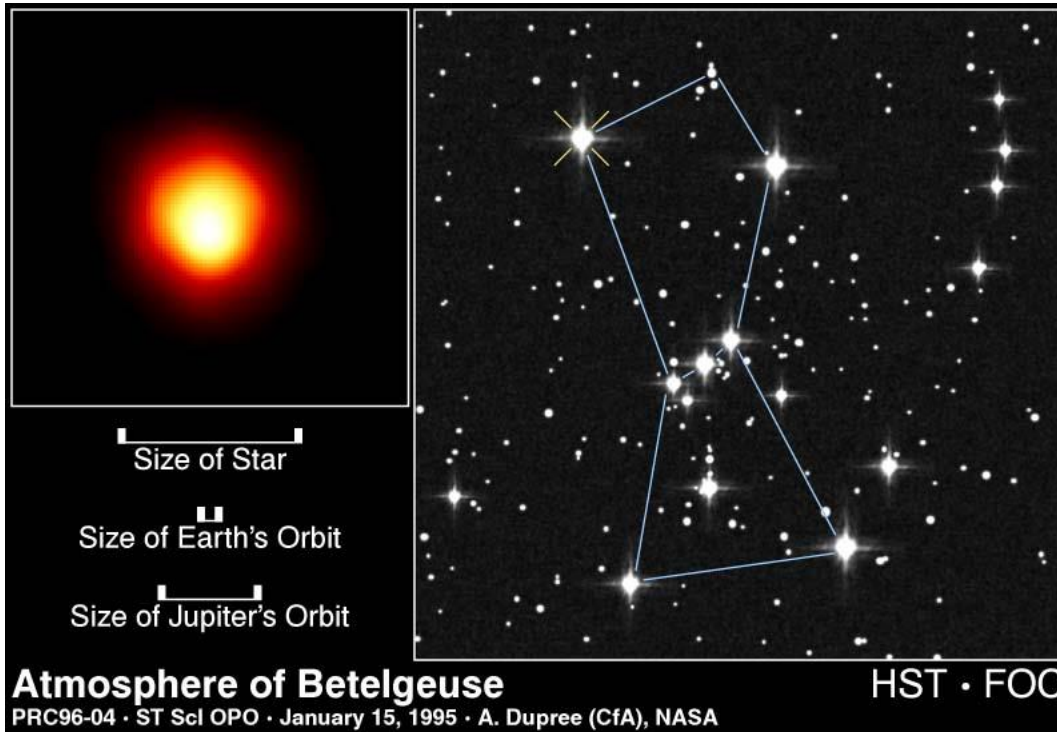


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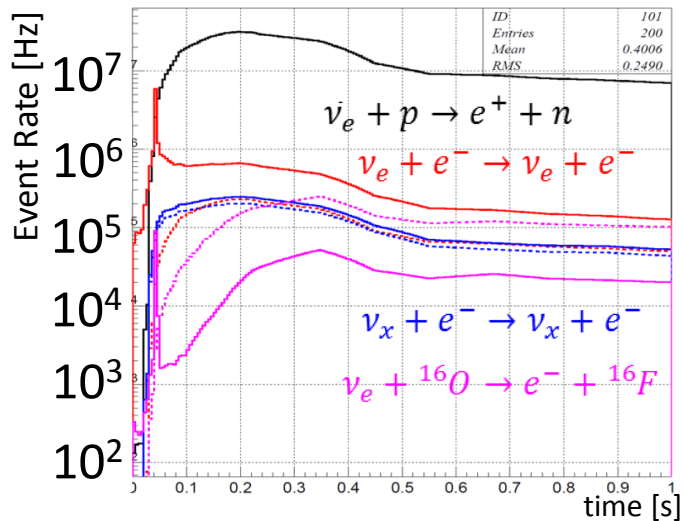
Betelgeuse shrank by 15% in 15 years. (cf. *ApJ* **697**, L127)

**It may explode tomorrow or 500,000 years from now.**  
(from Nomoto-san)

It is only ~640 light-years (0.2kpc) from us.

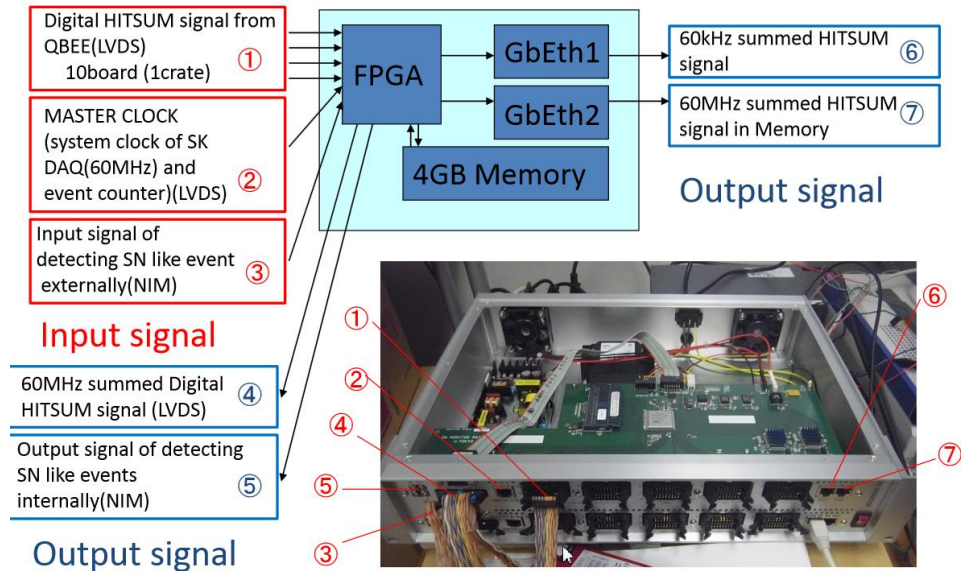
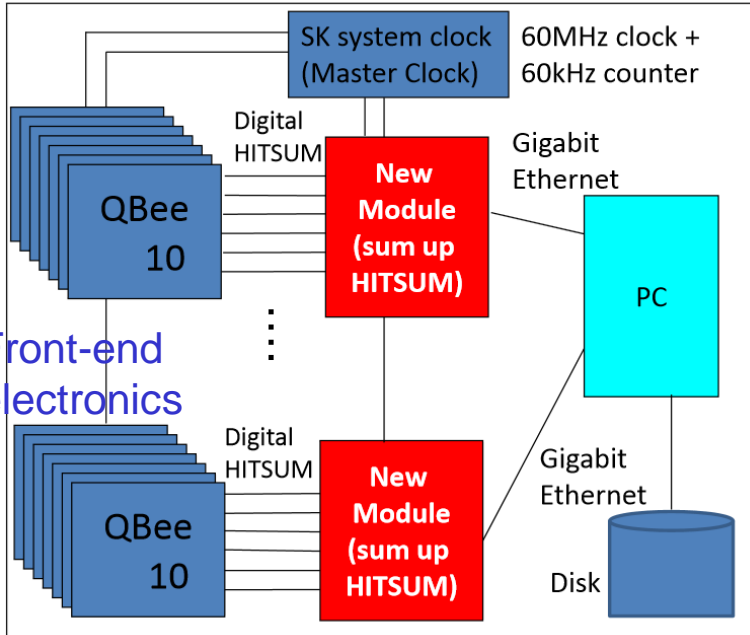


# New electronics for Betelgeuse at Super-K



- If Betelgeuse explodes,
  - #events@SK: > 30M / 10s
  - Max. event rate: > 30MHz
- Current DAQ
  - Handles up to 6M events/10s
  - Records only first 20%
    - Bottleneck: disk access speed

## Data flow to the new electronics



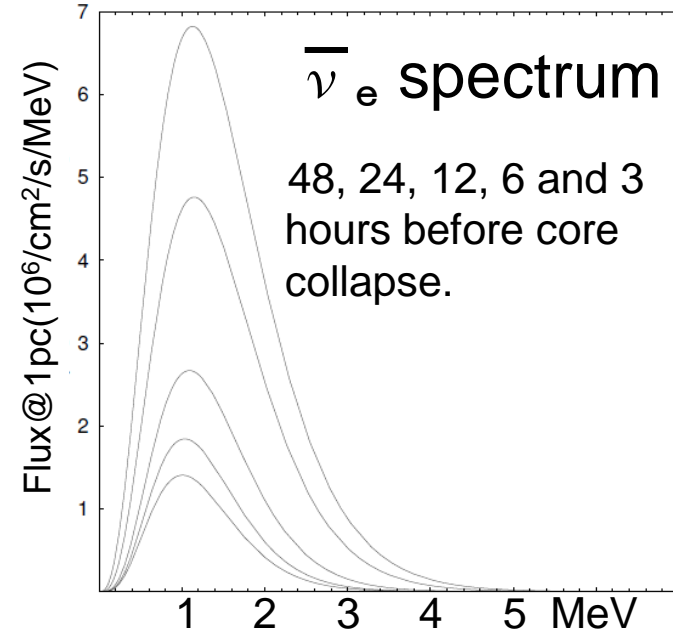
The new electronics will record sum of PMT hits with 60kHz continuously, and 60MHz data for ~1 minute around the burst.

# Thermal Neutrinos during Si burning phase

A.Odrzywolek, M.Misiaszek, M.Kutschera, AIP Conf. Proc. 944, 109(2007)

## Neutrino-cooled stage of the $15 \times M_{\text{sun}}$ star

Evolutionary stage	Average neutrino luminosity [erg/s]	Duration of a stage	Total energy radiated as neutrinos [ergs]
C	$3.8 \times 10^{38}$	22000 years	$2.6 \times 10^{50}$
Ne	$1.8 \times 10^{41}$	32 years	$1.8 \times 10^{50}$
O	$8.4 \times 10^{42}$	3.7 years	$9.7 \times 10^{50}$
Si	$2.6 \times 10^{44}$	16 days	$3.6 \times 10^{50}$
Si-shell	$2.2 \times 10^{45}$	12.7 hours	$1.0 \times 10^{50}$
Pre-collapse	$8.4 \times 10^{45}$	1 hour	$0.3 \times 10^{50}$



This means only neutron signals in  $\bar{\nu}_e + p$  interactions.

## In case of Betelgeuse

Detector	Target mass	Min. $\bar{\nu}_e$ energy	Events 48-24 hours before collapse	Events 24-0 hours before collapse	Events 3-0 hours before collapse
Super-K	32 kt	5 MeV	0.6	173	158
GADZOOKS!	22.5 kt	3.8(1.8) MeV	9 (204)	442 (1883)	345 (1130)
Borexino	0.3 kt	2 MeV	2	22	13
KamLAND	1 kt	2 MeV	11	108	65

In this paper, distance is assumed to be 0.13kpc. So, the numbers must be reduced to 50%.

Neutrinos during the Si-burning phase can be used for precursor of core collapse.

# Conclusions

- Supernova burst neutrinos
  - Many detectors in the world with various types of signals.
  - ~8,000 events expected at Super-K for 10kpc SN.
  - High precision time profile by Icecube.
  - ~5 deg. accuracy in direction of supernova by Super-K neutron-electron scattering events.
  - Onset time with ~2 msec resolution by Super-K and IceCube.
- Supernova relic Neutrinos
  - R&D for GADZOOKS! project is ongoing.
- Nearby (Betelgeuse) supernova
  - New electronics at Super-K.
  - KamLAND and Super-K(GADZOOKS!) can get precursor using Si-burning neutrinos.