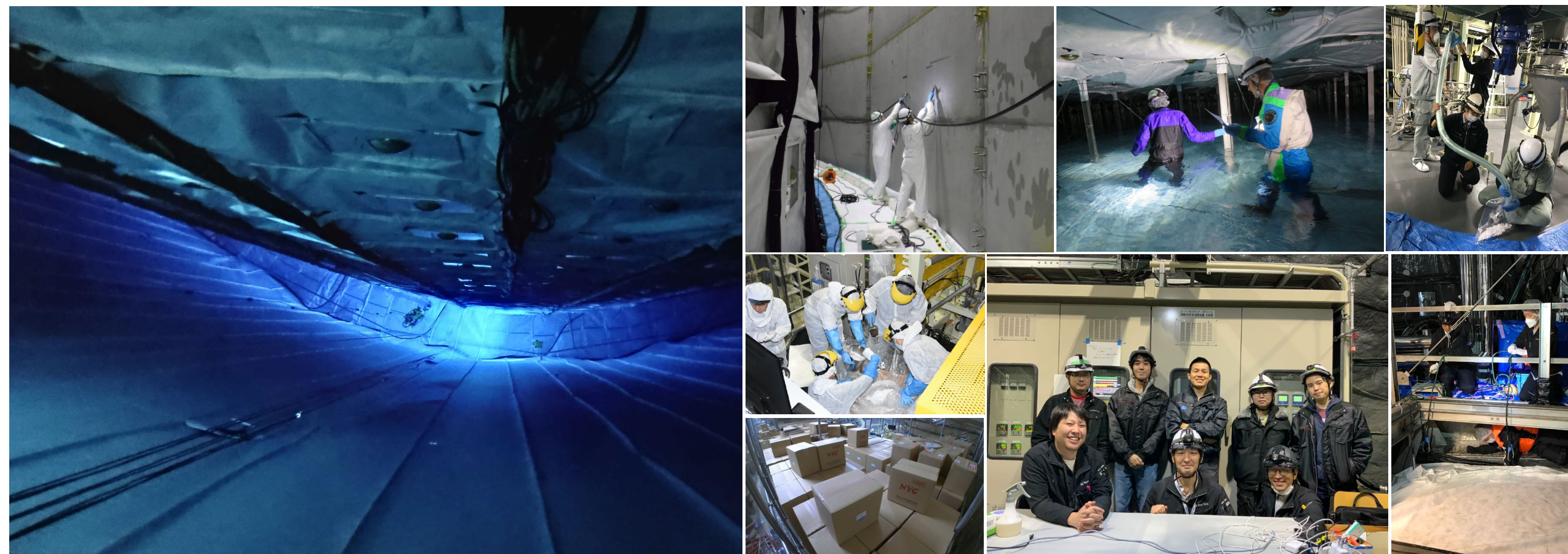




スーパーカミオカンデの万能化と超新星ニュートリノ検出にむけて

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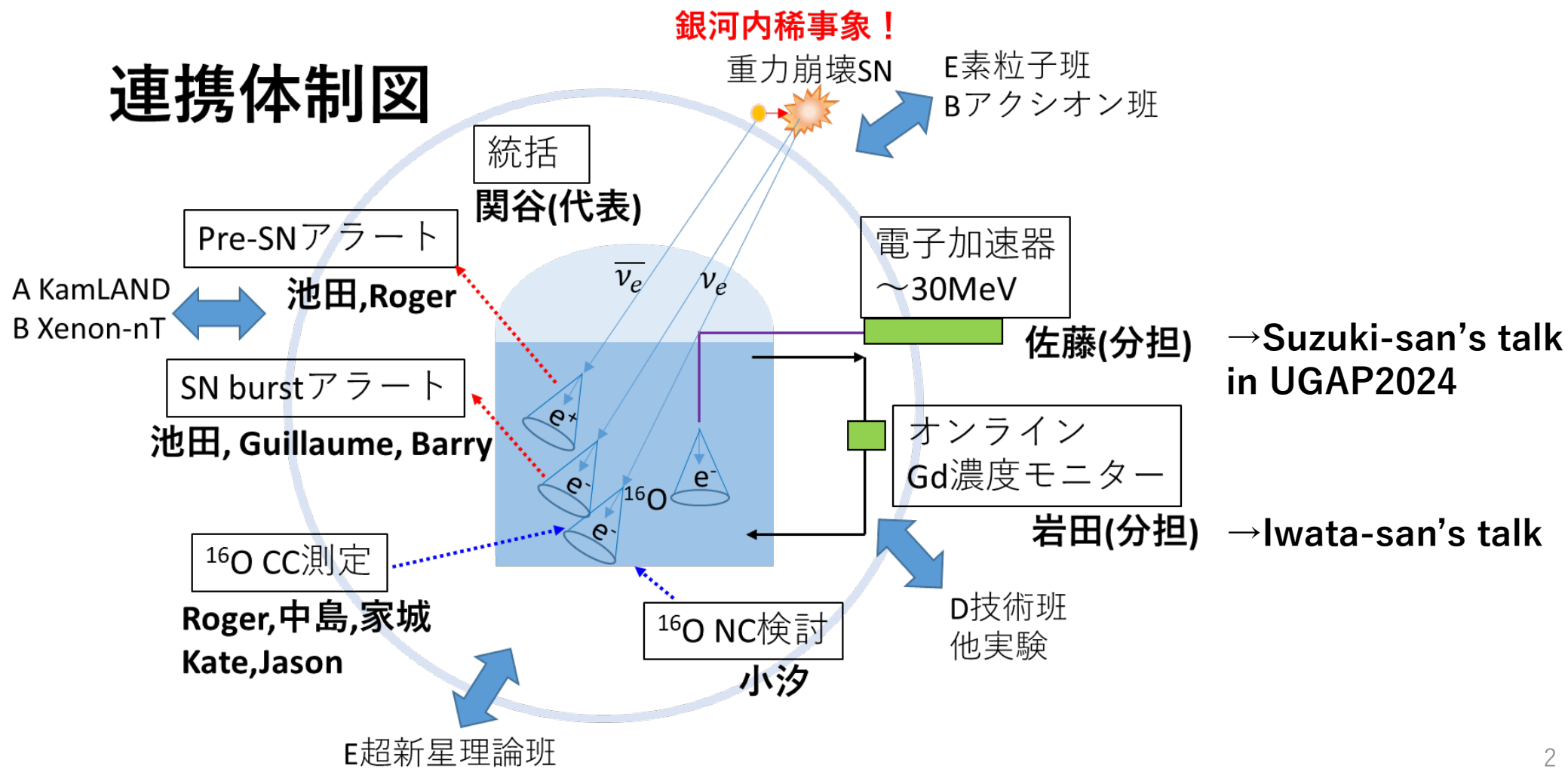


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C01 Group in UGRP

- Frontier of Rare Events in the Universe: Investigating the Origin of Elements in the Universe with the Universal Supernova Neutrino Detector



Super-Kamiokande VII (since July 5, 2022)

- **Ring imaging Gd-doped water Cherenkov detector**

- 49.5k m³ of pure water with 16.2 tons of Gd(0.03 w%)

- 39 tons of Gd₂(SO₄)₃ · 8H₂O
- ~75% Neutron capture efficiency

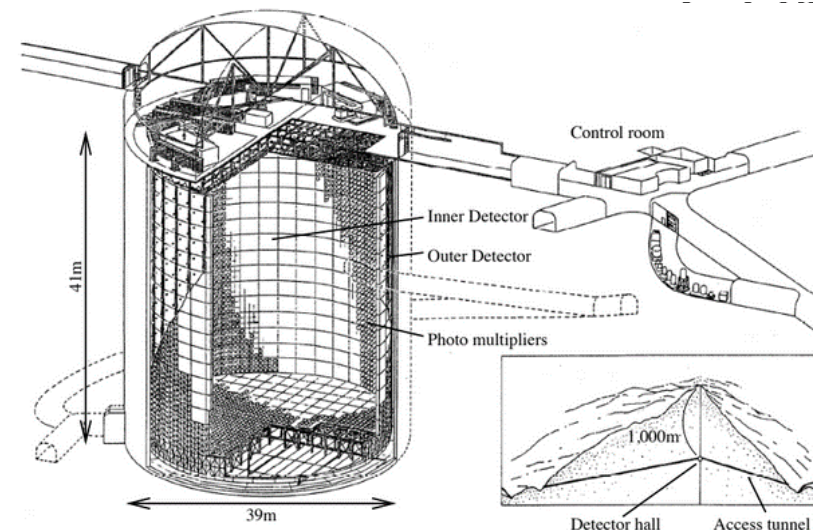
- **Target volume 32k m³ for SN ν**

- 11129 50cm PMTs for Inner detector
- 1885 20cm PMTs for outer detector

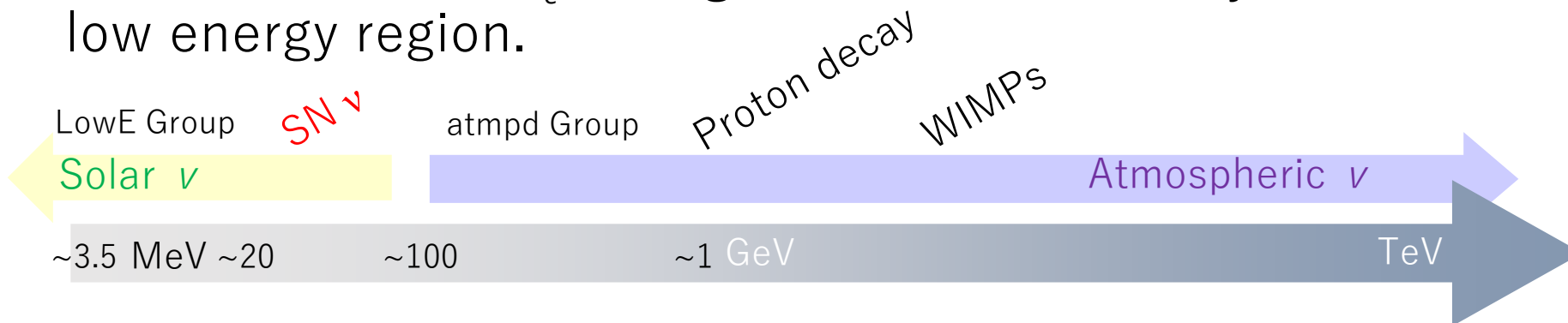
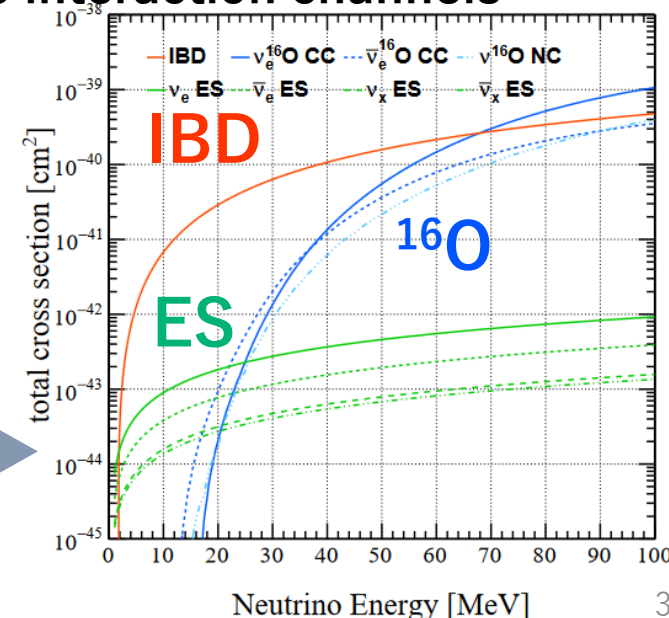
- 1km (2700 mwe) underground in Kamioka

- Measurable : Energy, neutrino types, and direction

- Most sensitive to $\bar{\nu}_e$ through inverse beta decay in the low energy region.

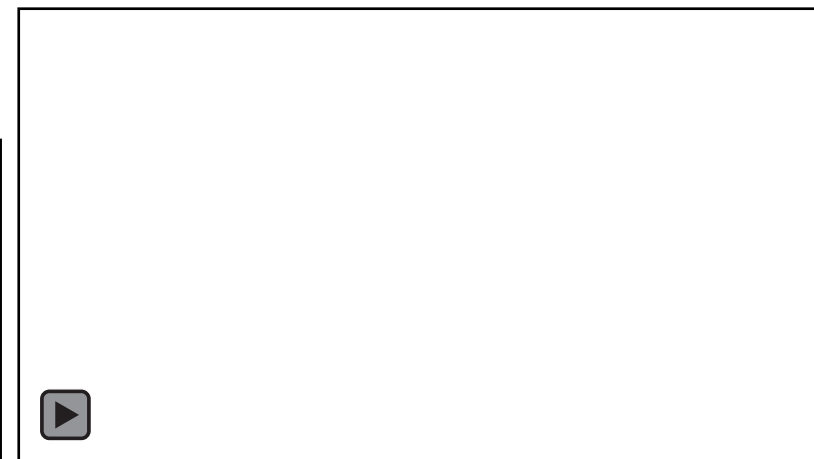
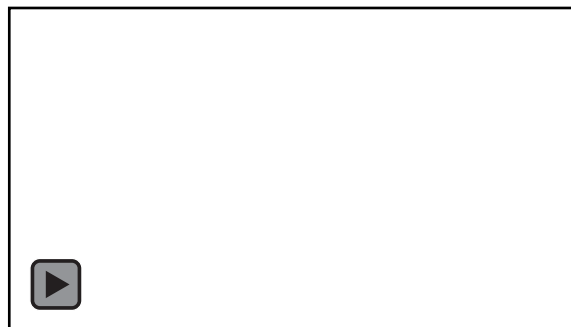


The interaction channels



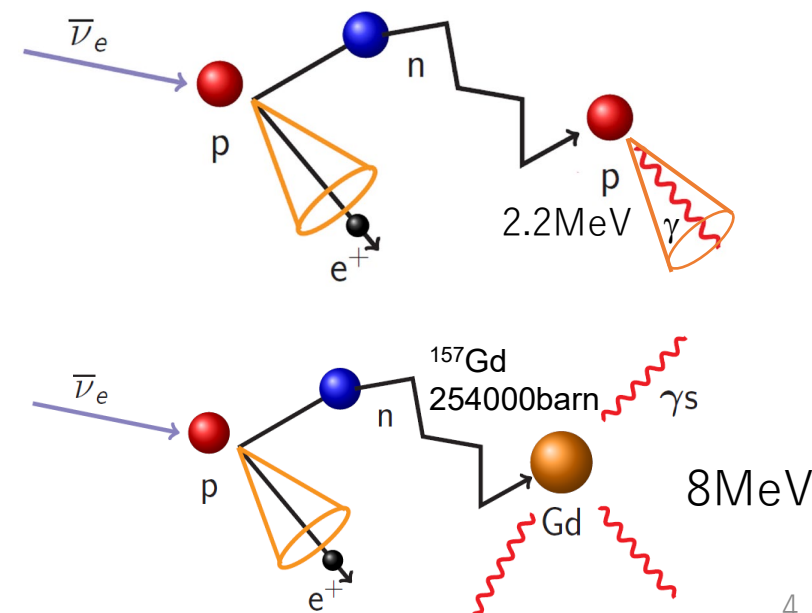
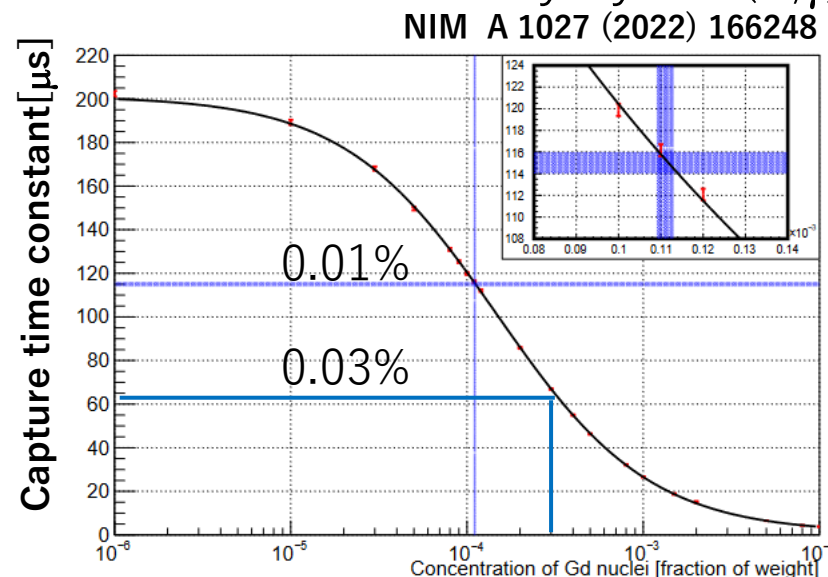
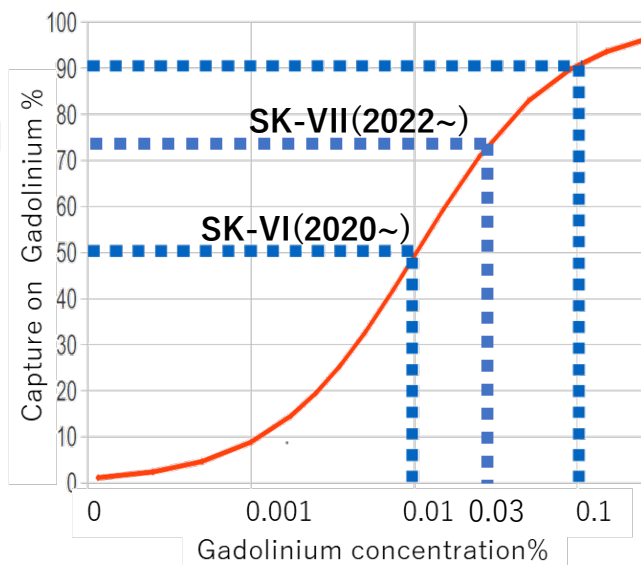
The Gd-loading

Separating ES from IBD allows
improving the **SN direction pointing** accuracy.
→ Gd enhances the IBS tagging



- **Neutron tagging for interaction (especially IBD) identification**

- Originally only by delayed coincidence with 2.2MeV gamma from p-capture
- **Gd-loading** significantly enhances its efficiency by $\text{Gd}(n,\gamma)$



Supernova neutrino in SK

The main channel

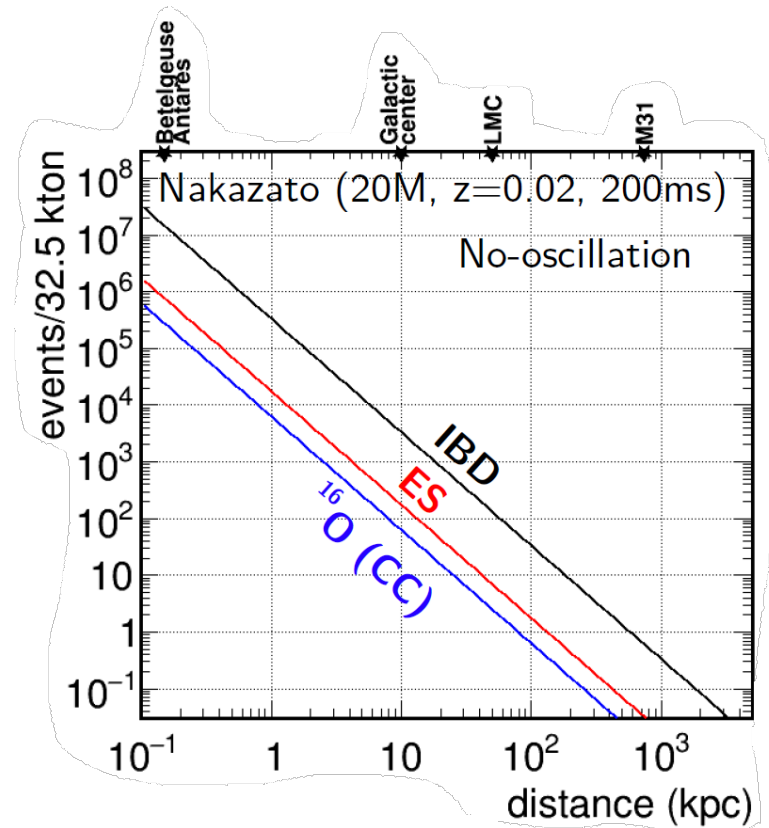
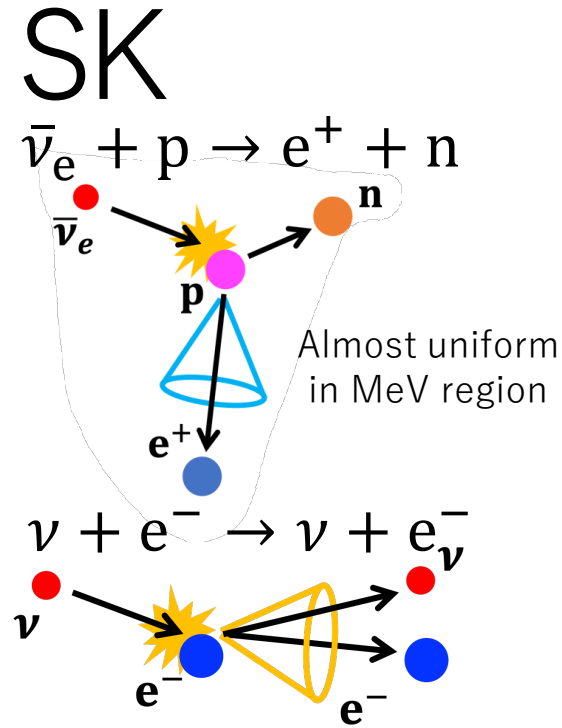
Inverse Beta Decay reaction (IBD) ~90%

The direction of the positron does not reflect the direction of the neutrino

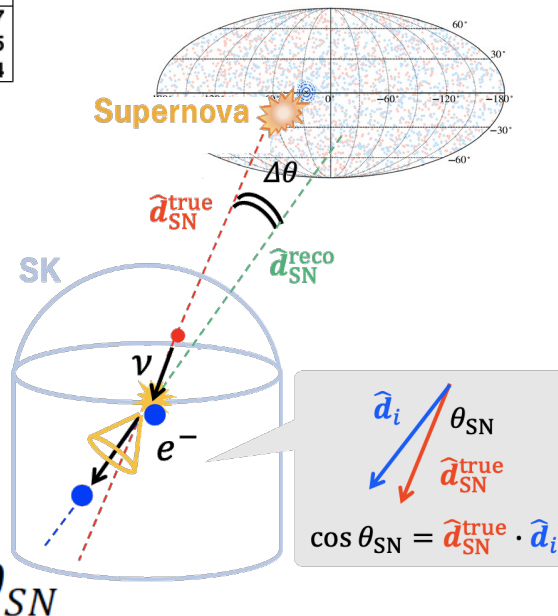
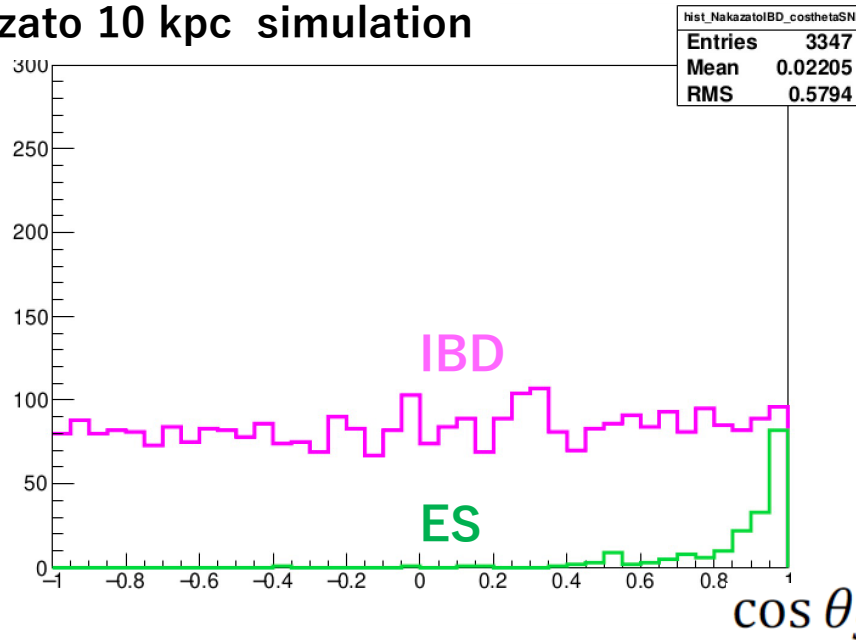
As the neutrino telescope

Elastic Scattering interactions (ES) ~5%

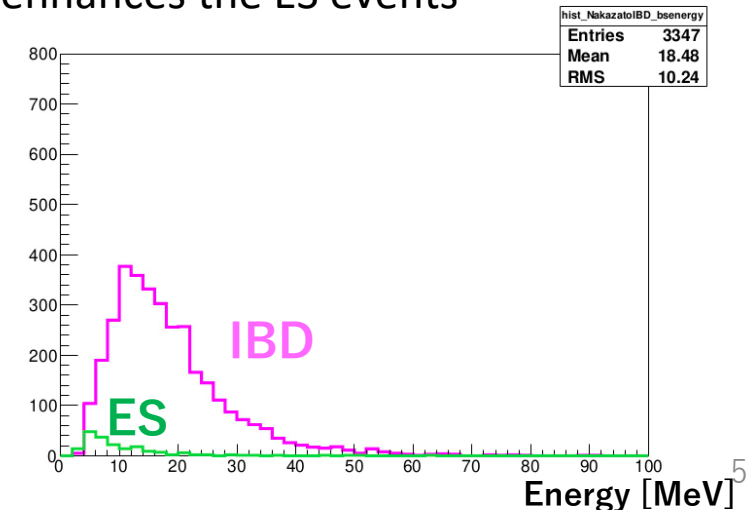
The electron keeps the neutrino direction information.



Nakazato 10 kpc simulation

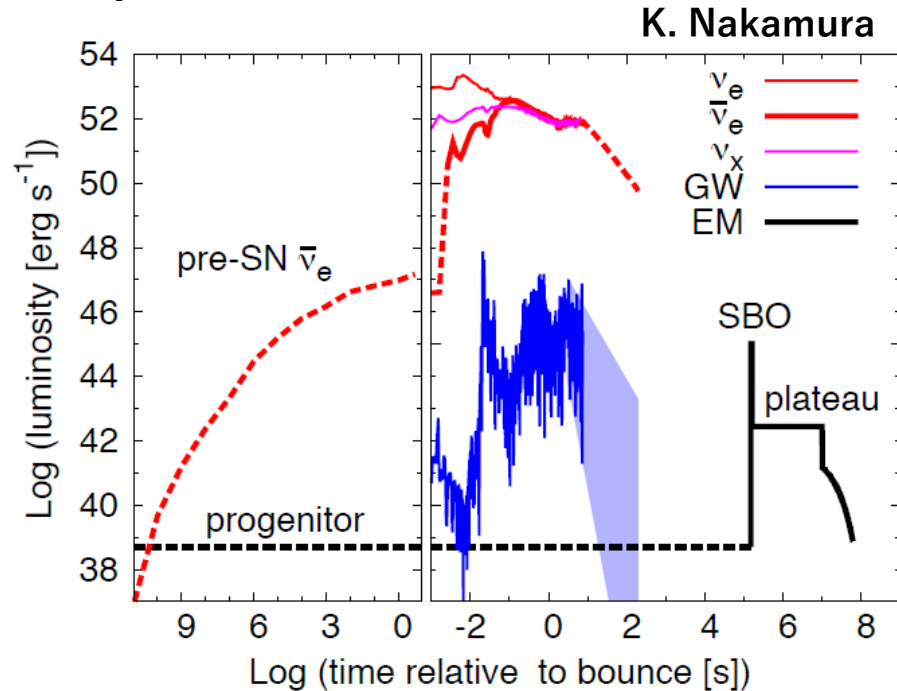


Lowering threshold enhances the ES events



“Universalization of Super-Kamiokande”

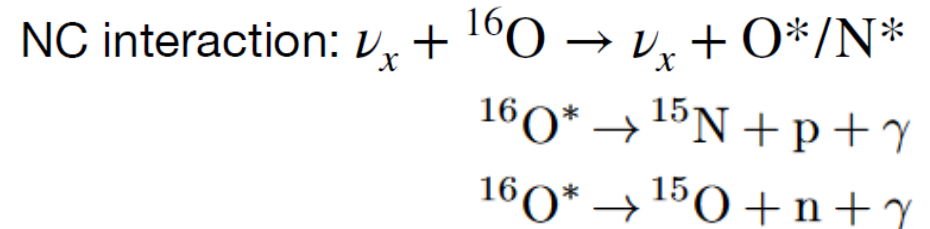
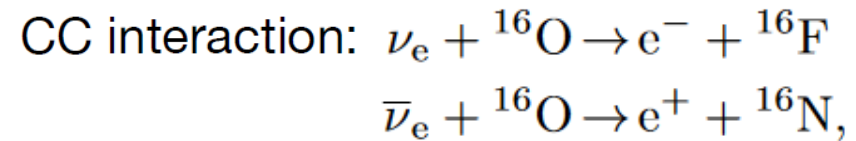
Supernova timeline



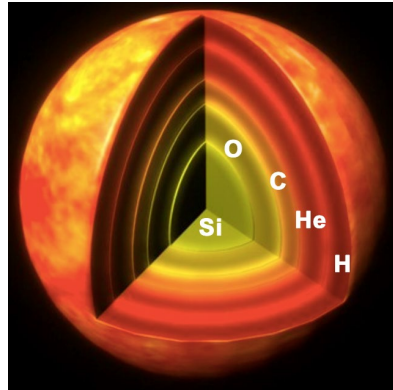
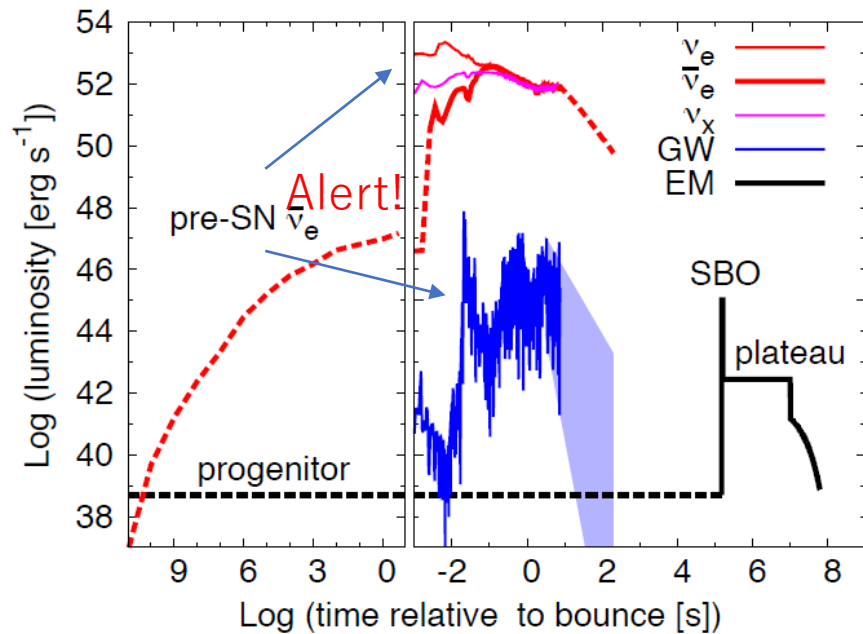
Make the most of SK for the next Galactic SN!

- $\bar{\nu}_e$ for the **per-SN alarm** and **DSNB search**
- ν_e for the **SN alarm with pointing**
- ν_x for **full information extraction** from SN

Utilize ^{16}O interaction



Pre-SN alarm for nearby SNe

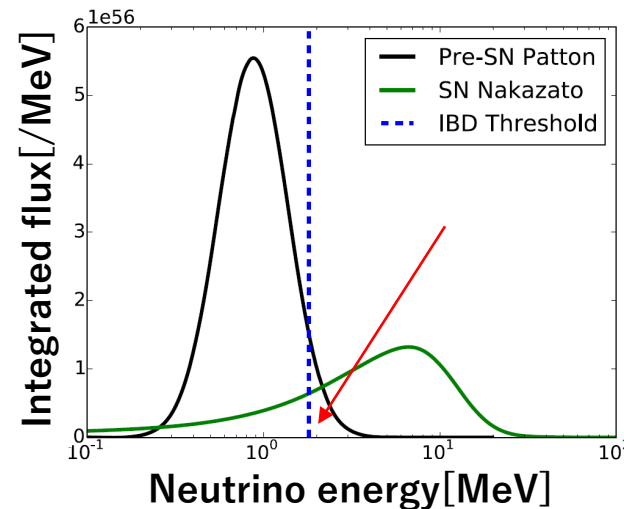


Burning Stage	Duration	Average ν energy
C	300 years	0.71 MeV
Ne	140 days	0.99 MeV
O	180 days	1.13 MeV
Si	2 days	1.85 MeV

Duration of burning stages and the fraction and average energy of electron neutrinos emitted by **pair-annihilation** for a 20 $M_{\odot}$ star (**Astropart.Phys. 21 (2004) 303-313**)

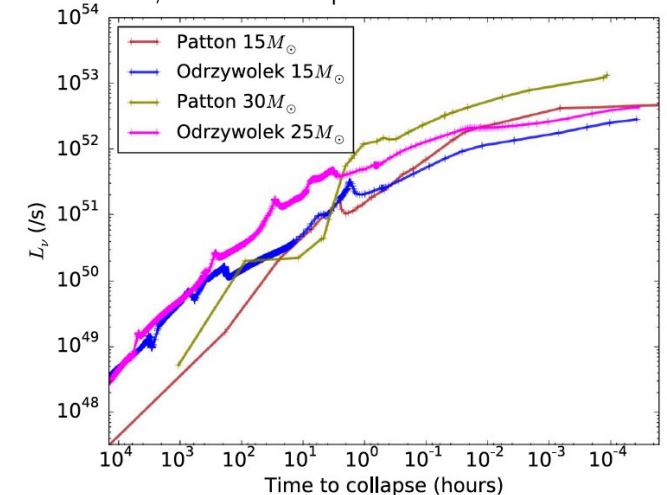
- IBD is the main channel
 - The energy threshold for IBD is 1.8 MeV
- Low-BG low-threshold required

ApJ 885:133, 2019



- and many Models...

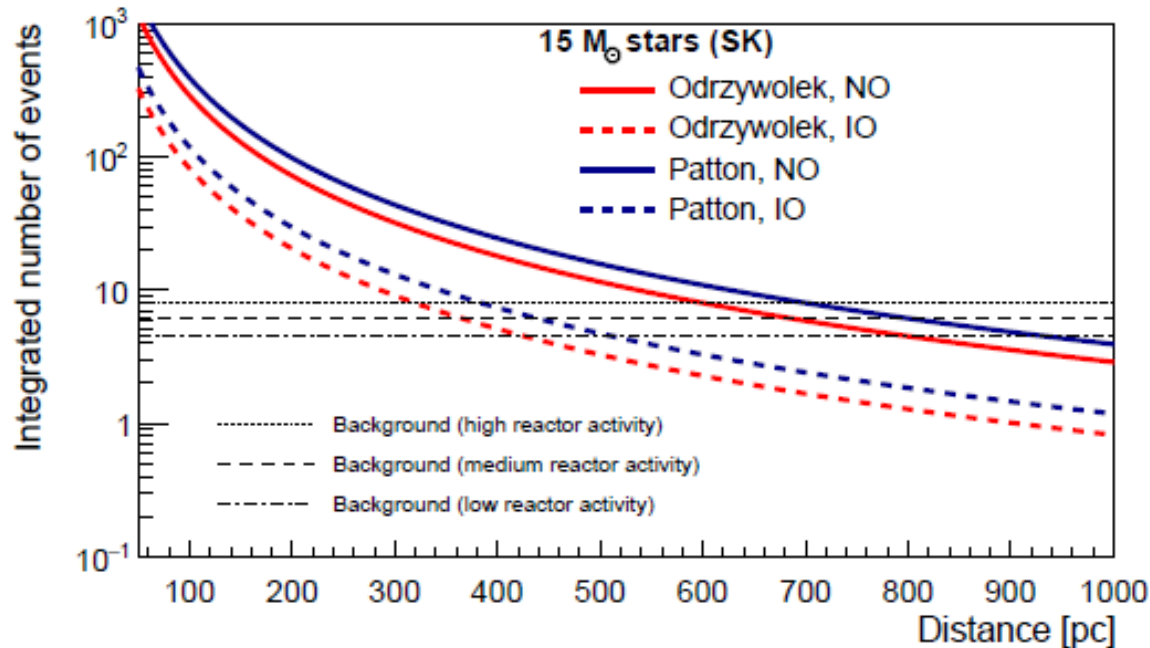
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Patton, et al 2017 ApJ 851 6



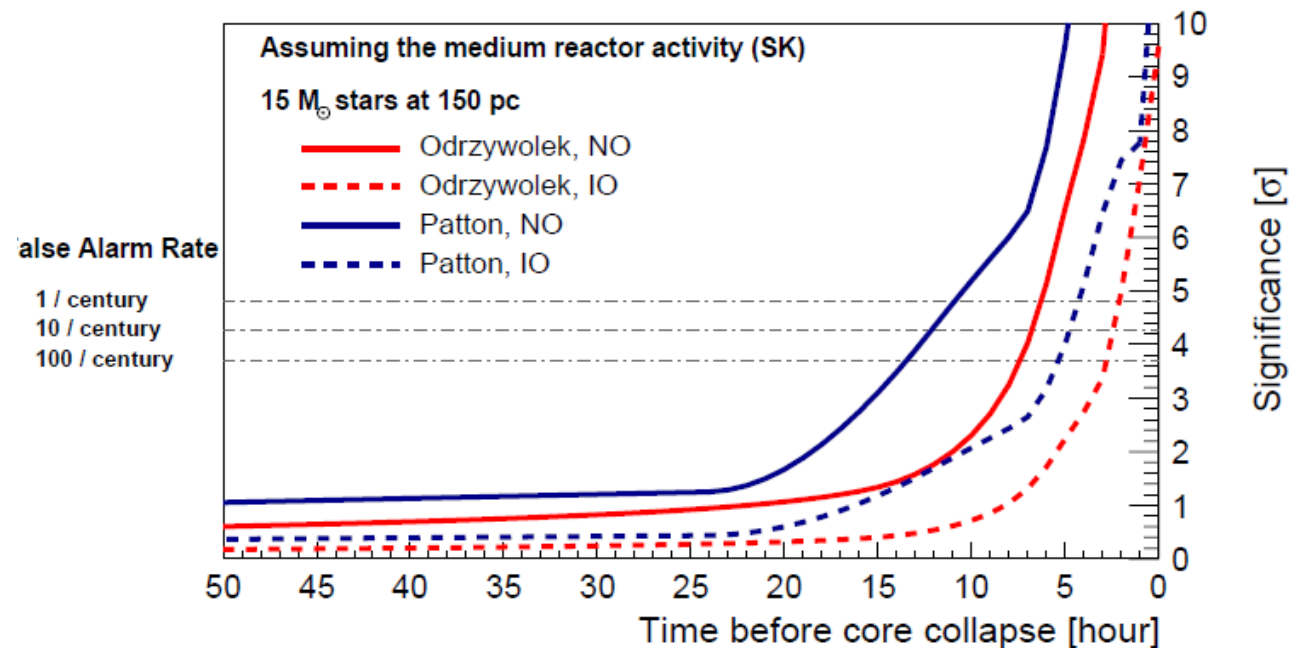
Pre-SN alarm

- During the KamLAND offline period, SK's role is important.
 - SK only GCN_circular?
 - Faster alarm system (like GCN_notice) will be tried.
 - Secure the reliability

Number of events in past 12 hours

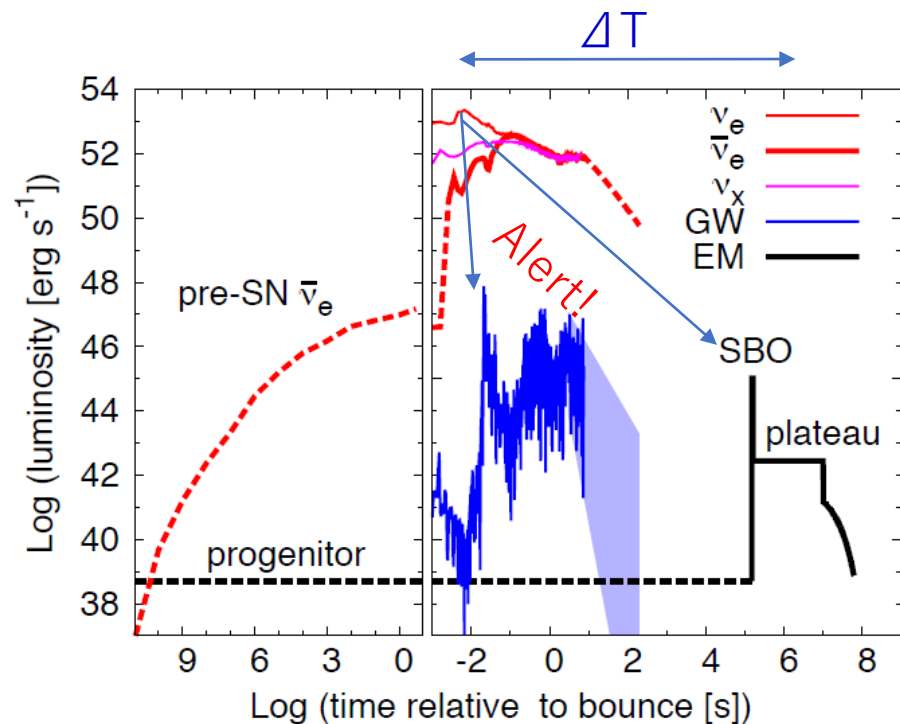


Warning significance for 150pc SN

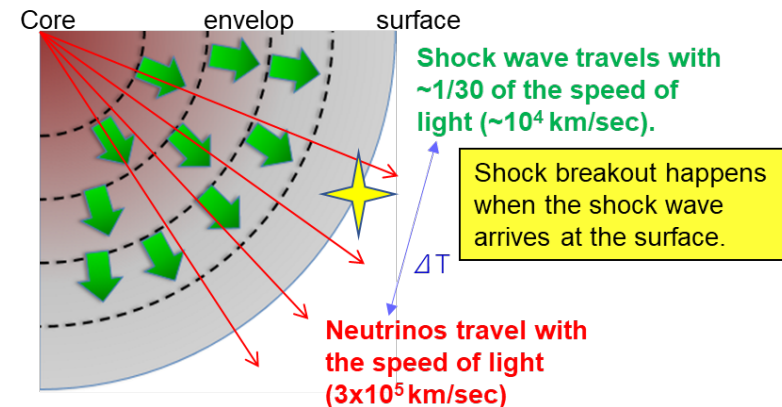
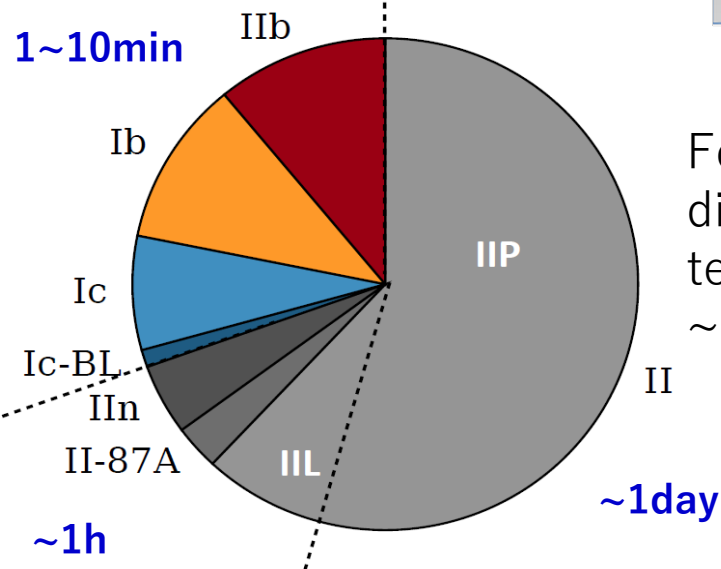


The neutrino burst alarm

The vital role for Super-Kamiokande

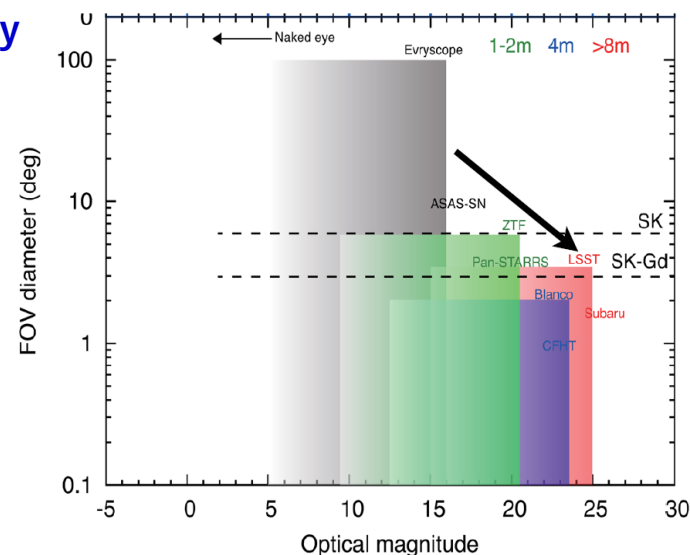


ΔT depends on the type of SN

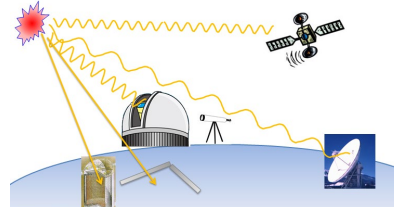


For ~70% of SNe, the time difference is several hours to tens of hours. For the remaining ~30%, that is several minutes.

K. Nakamura MNRAS, 461, 3296 (2016)



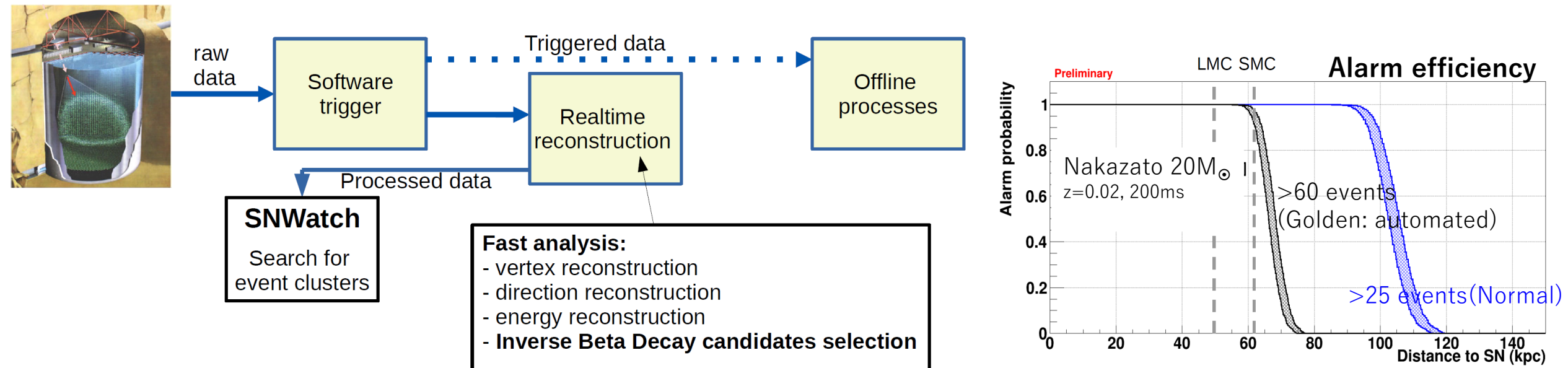
- Neutrino burst alarm $< \sim 1$ min. with the DIRECTION INFORMATION $< \sim 3^\circ$ must help the pointing of EM telescopes



Realtime supernova monitoring of SK

SK's SN monitoring system "**SNWatch**." [arXiv:2403.06760](#) accepted by *ApJ*

- Quick online analysis code, reconstructing the events and fitting SN direction
- In case the event burst matches the criteria (uniformity of the events in the detector, number of events), an automatic alarm is sent
- The criteria are determined so that we would have 100% SN detection efficiency at the Large Magellanic Cloud.



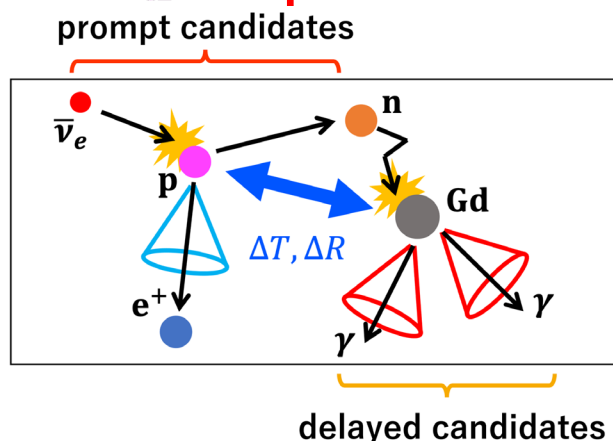
Quick IBD tagging implemented in SNwatch



0.03% Gd makes IBD tagging efficient in SN monitoring

Speed-oriented real-time simple IBD tagging algorithm

Y. Kashiwagi et al.,
Accepted by ApJ, arXiv:2403.06760

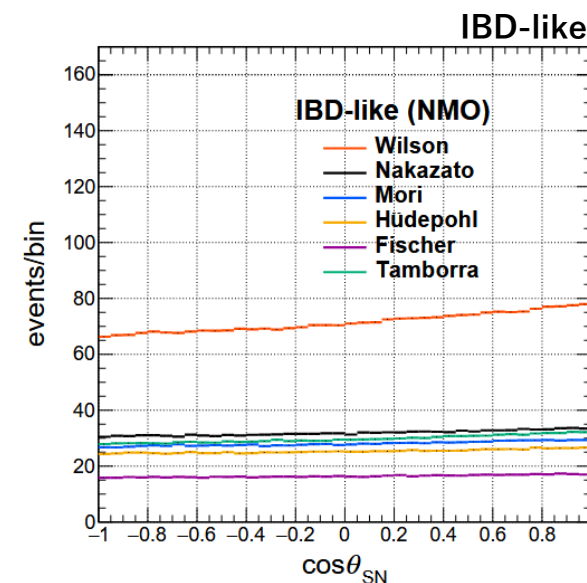
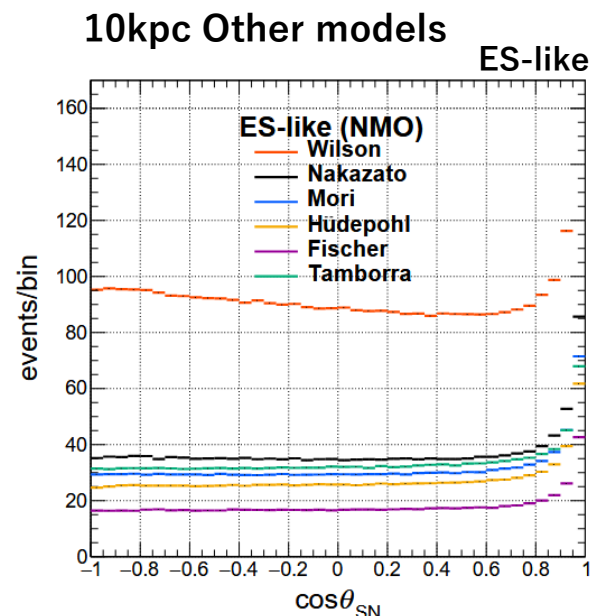
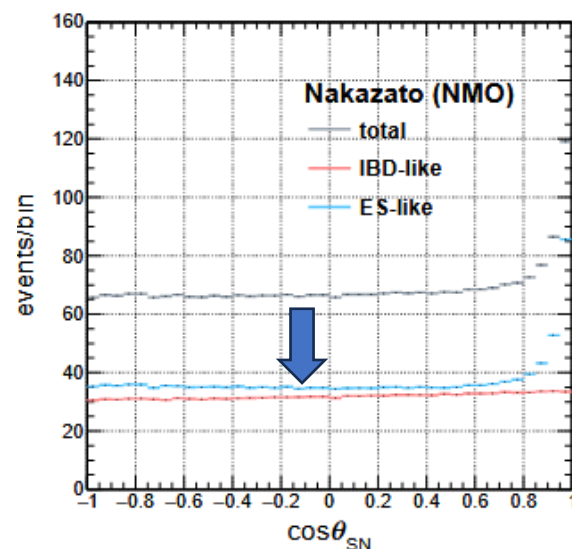
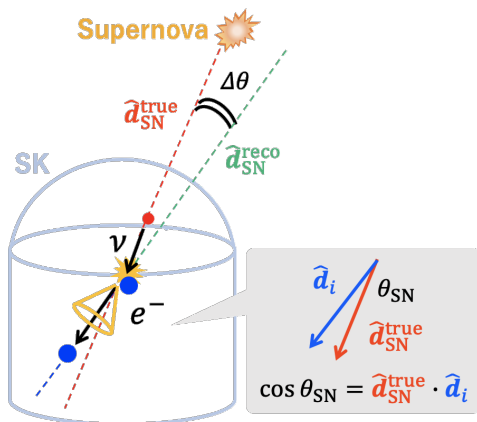


- ① Selection of **prompt candidates** $\geq 7\text{MeV}$
- ② Selection of **delayed candidates**
- ③ **Neutron tagging** pair of events with
 $\Delta T < 500 \mu s$ & $\Delta R < 300 \text{ cm}$

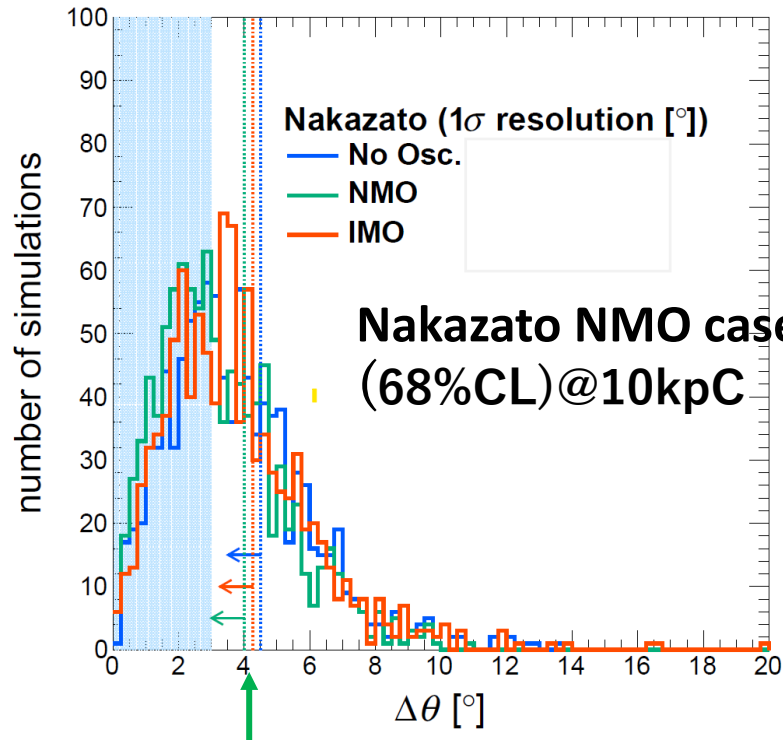
This selection algorithm tags $\sim 50\%$ IBD events

IBD-like
ES-like

10kpc
Nakazato $20M_{\odot}$
 $z=0.02$, 200ms
NMO

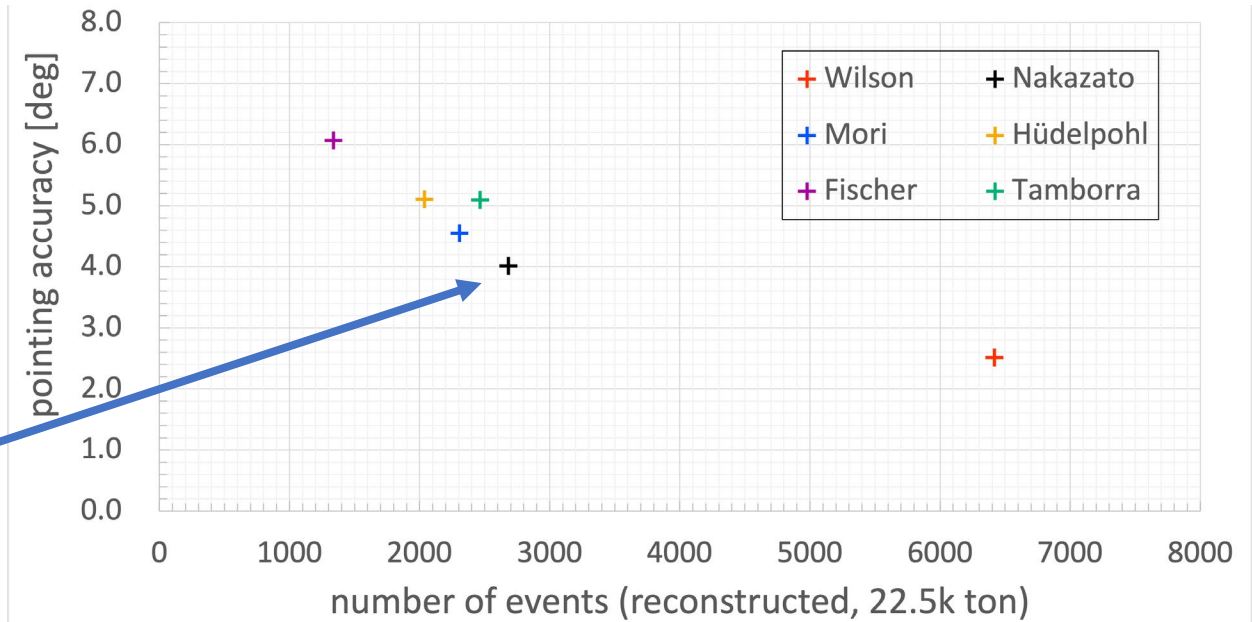


Pointing Accuracy for 10kpc SN

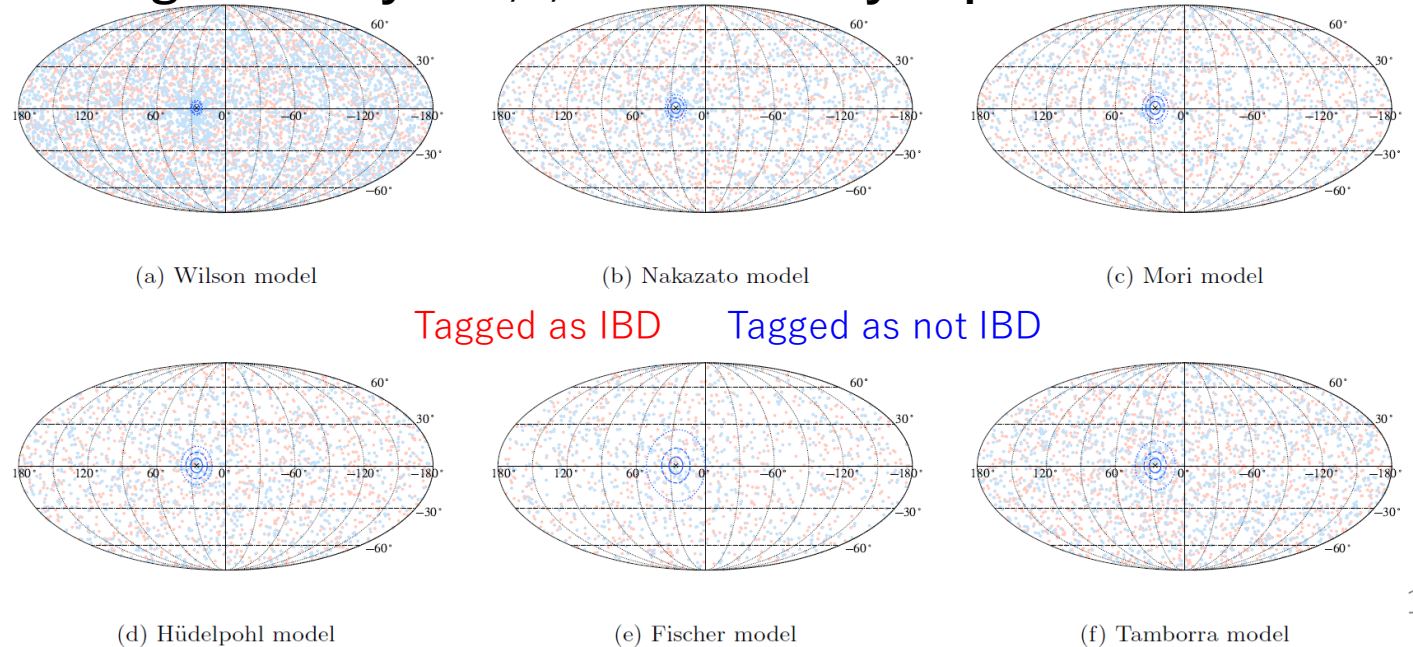


Pointing accuracy at 1σ is the value of $\Delta\theta$ at which the integral of the histogram includes 68% of the 1000 MC samples

Pointing accuracy vs. # of total events

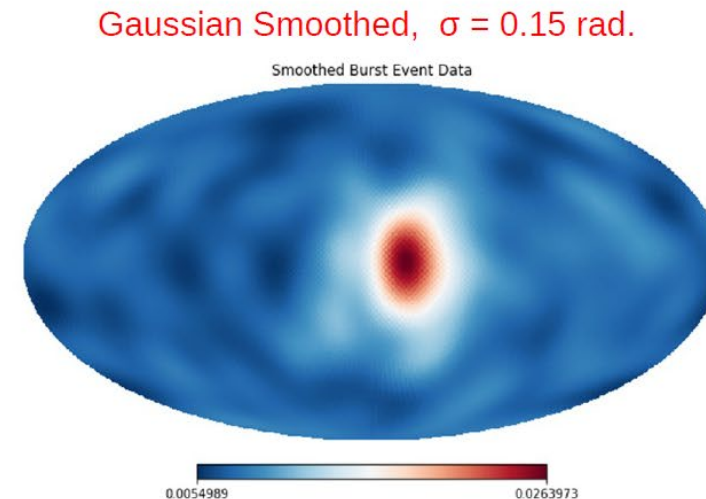
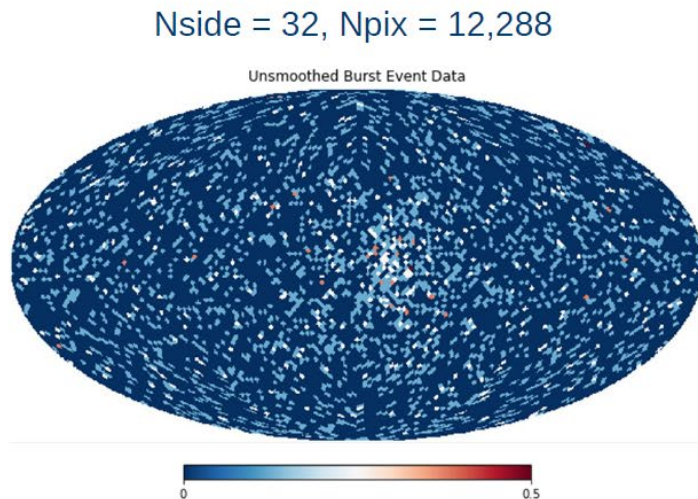


Pointing Accuracy at 1,2,3 σ on the skymap



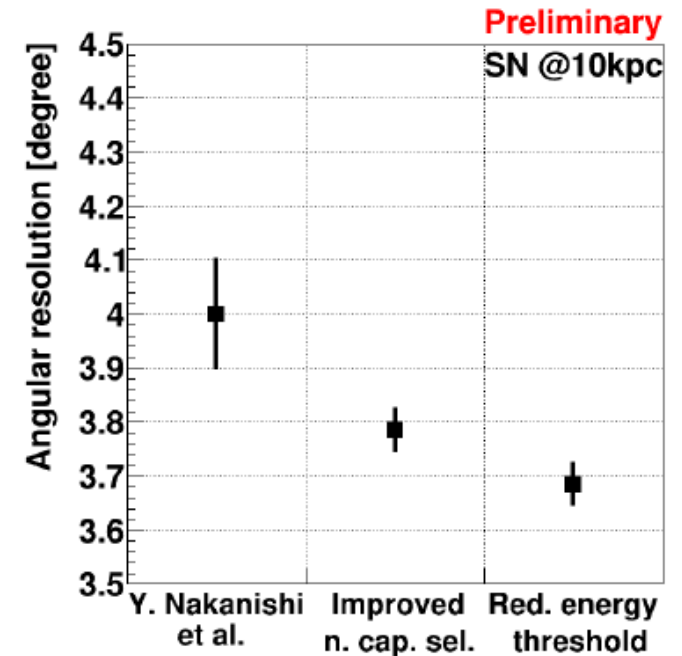
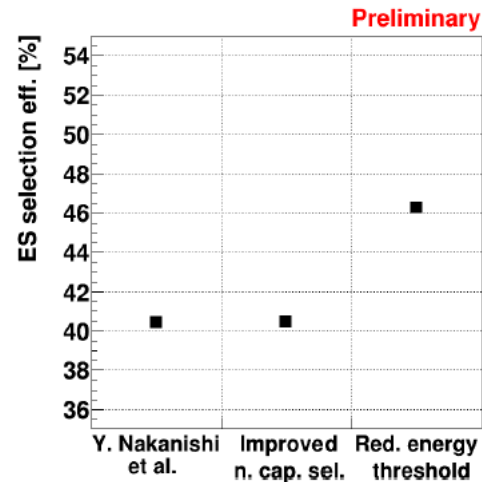
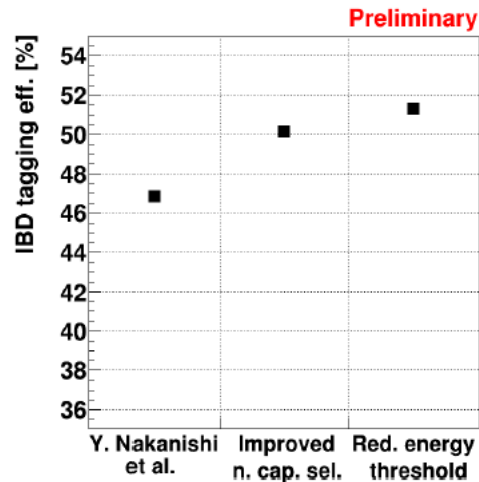
Upgrading with HealPix direction estimation

- HEALPix-based fitter (**H**ierarchical **E**qual **A**rea isoLatitude **P**ixelation of a sphere):
 - A sphere of the sky is made and divided in pixels of equal area
 - The pixels are populated with the projection of each event's reconstructed direction on the sphere.
 - The sphere is then smoothed with a Gaussian function
 - The pixel with the maximum number of events is then selected as the initial SN direction → Maximum Likelihood fitting



Expected further improvements

- The IBD tagging algorithm
 - Better selection of prompt/delayed events allows a better neutron capture event selection.
 - reduction of the neutron capture event contamination in the selection.
- Reduction of the analysis energy threshold
 - To improve the selection of ES events.

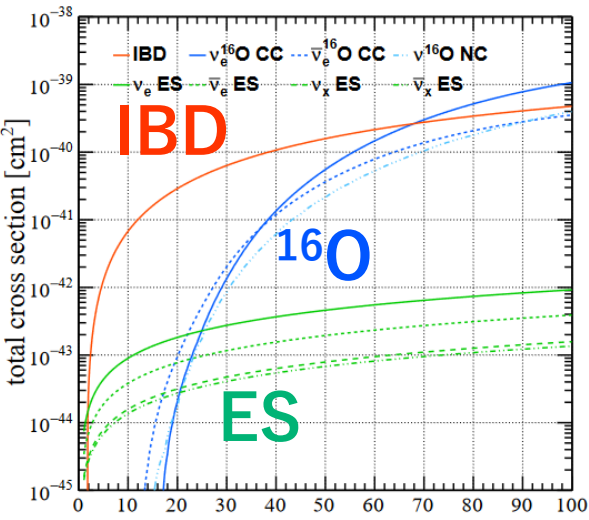
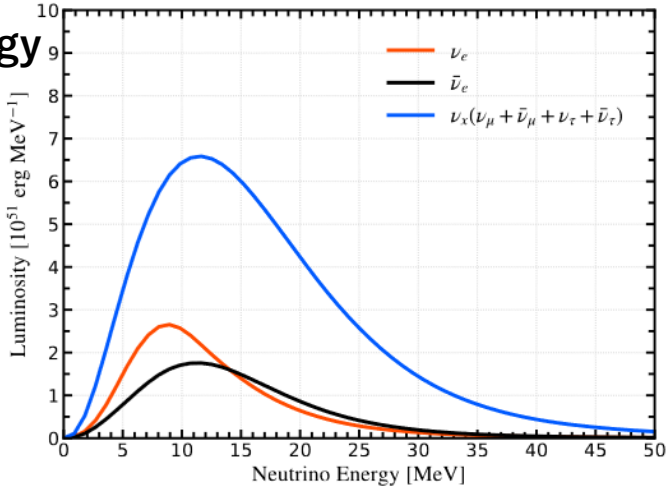


To be implemented in SNWatch

Make the most of SK

- The number of ^{16}O interactions in SK is still larger than the number of all interactions in other detectors.

Nakazato model neutrino energy



Cross section vs. Neutrino energy

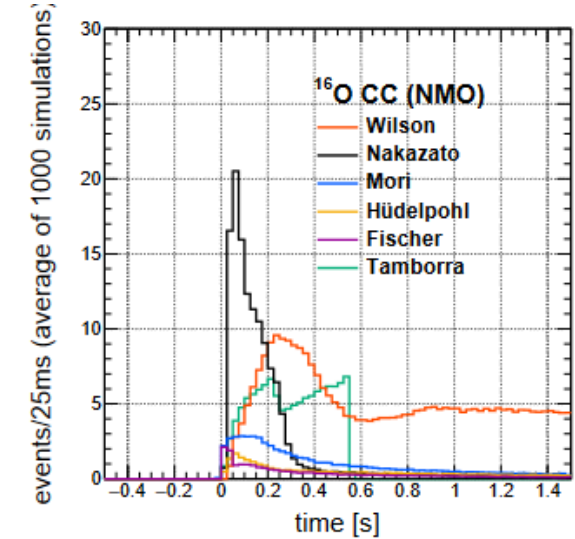
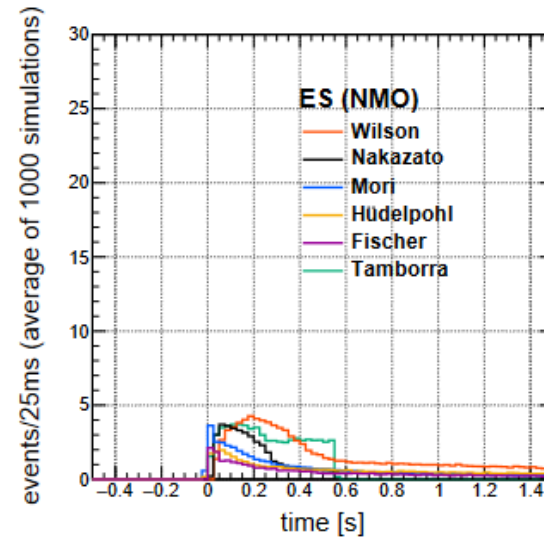
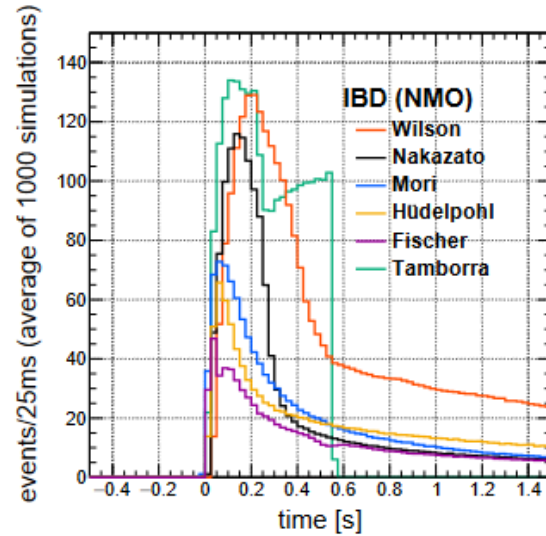
Expected number of interactions in SK for 10kpc SN

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IBD ($\bar{\nu}_e$)	7431	8207	9970	3542	3893	4693	3275	3422	3745
ES (ν_e)	223	231	229	173	172	171	177	148	156
ES ($\bar{\nu}_e$)	97	97	98	63	66	72	60	61	63
ES (ν_x)	80	79	80	60	60	60	52	57	56
ES ($\bar{\nu}_x$)	69	69	69	52	51	48	45	45	44
^{16}O CC (ν_e)	44	1034	729	48	180	139	8	86	62
^{16}O CC ($\bar{\nu}_e$)	195	329	633	46	68	116	30	42	71
^{16}O NC ($\nu_e, ^{15}\text{N}$)	4	89	63	4	15	12	1	8	5
^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_e, ^{15}\text{N}$)	22	43	89	5	8	16	3	4	8
^{16}O NC ($\nu_x, ^{15}\text{N}$)	177	93	119	31	20	23	15	8	10
^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_x, ^{15}\text{N}$)	177	156	112	31	28	21	15	14	10
^{16}O NC ($\nu_e, ^{15}\text{O}$)	1	24	17	1	4	3	0	2	1
^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_e, ^{15}\text{O}$)	6	12	24	1	2	4	1	1	2
^{16}O NC ($\nu_x, ^{15}\text{O}$)	48	25	32	9	5	6	4	2	3
^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_x, ^{15}\text{O}$)	48	42	30	8	8	5	4	4	3
total	8622	10530	12294	4074	4580	5389	3690	3904	4239

Generated by SKSNSim	Hüdepohl			Fischer			Tamborra		
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ES (ν_e)	146	124	132	90	87	88	135	82	99
ES ($\bar{\nu}_e$)	53	53	53	35	35	37	50	45	35
ES (ν_x)	43	47	46	31	31	31	28	38	35
ES ($\bar{\nu}_x$)	38	38	38	27	26	25	25	26	30
^{16}O CC (ν_e)	12	32	26	5	27	21	55	90	80
^{16}O CC ($\bar{\nu}_e$)	30	31	33	15	18	27	97	90	77
^{16}O NC ($\nu_e, ^{15}\text{N}$)	1	3	2	0	2	2	5	8	7
^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_e, ^{15}\text{N}$)	3	3	3	1	2	2	11	10	8
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^{16}O NC ($\bar{\nu}_e, ^{15}\text{O}$)	1	1	1	0	0	1	3	3	2
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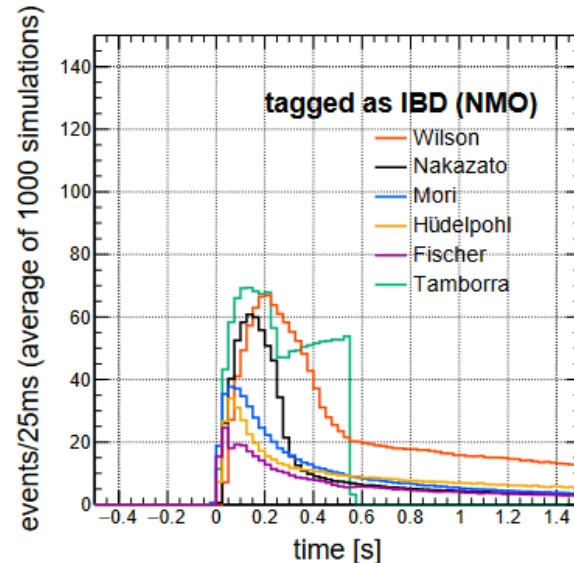
Current limitation

True interactions in SK

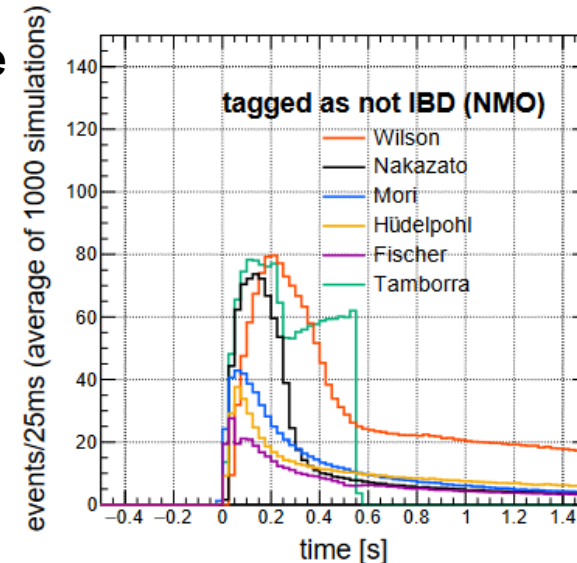


What currently can be extracted from SK (online analysis)

IBD-like



ES-like



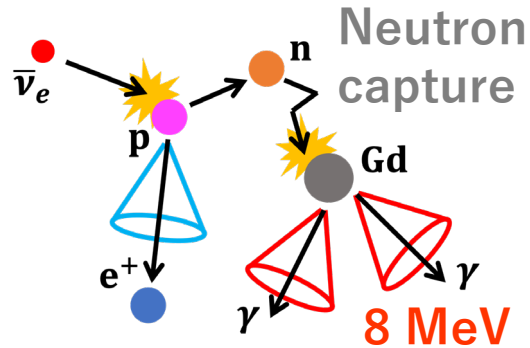
ES contaminated with
 $\text{IBD} + ^{16}\text{O}$

Make use of ^{16}O channel in SK

- They are more complicated topologies than IBD's and ES's.
- All final state particles should be investigated.

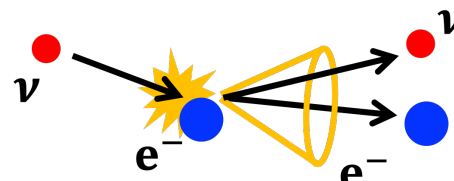
Inverse Beta Decay (IBD)

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$$



Elastic Scattering (ES)

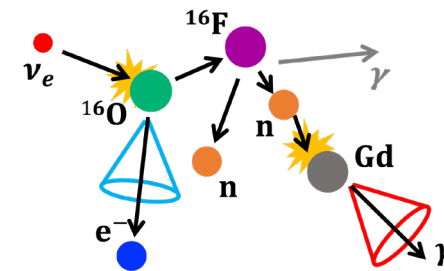
$$\nu + e^- \rightarrow \nu + e^-$$



^{16}O interactions

$$\nu_e + ^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow e^- + ^{16}\text{F}$$

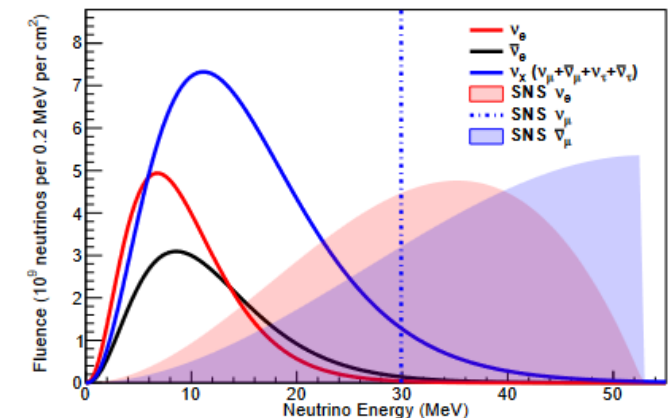
$$\bar{\nu}_e + ^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow e^+ + ^{16}\text{N}$$



Neutrino interaction measurement at ORNL SNS

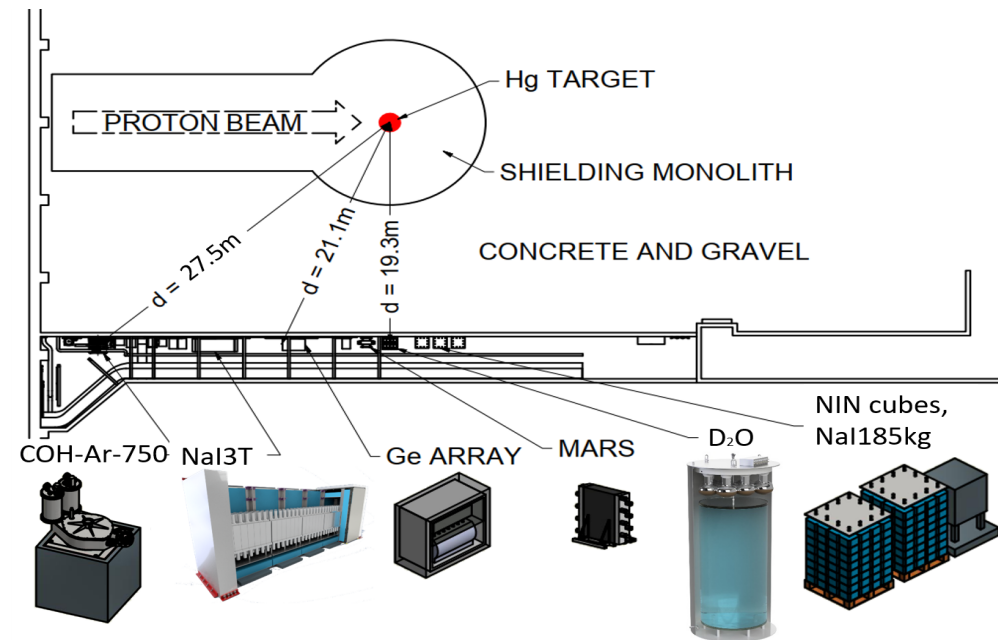
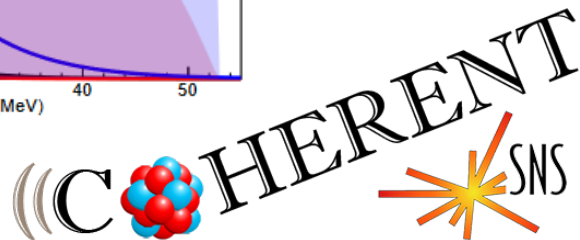
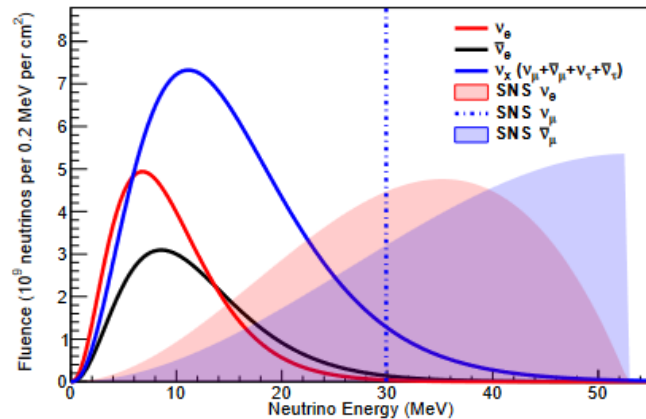
- ORNL SNS is an ideal place to measure these interactions!
- High intensity neutrino available that matches supernova neutrino energy range
- Ongoing D2O detector measurement for precise flux normalization

ORNL SNS neutrino spectra



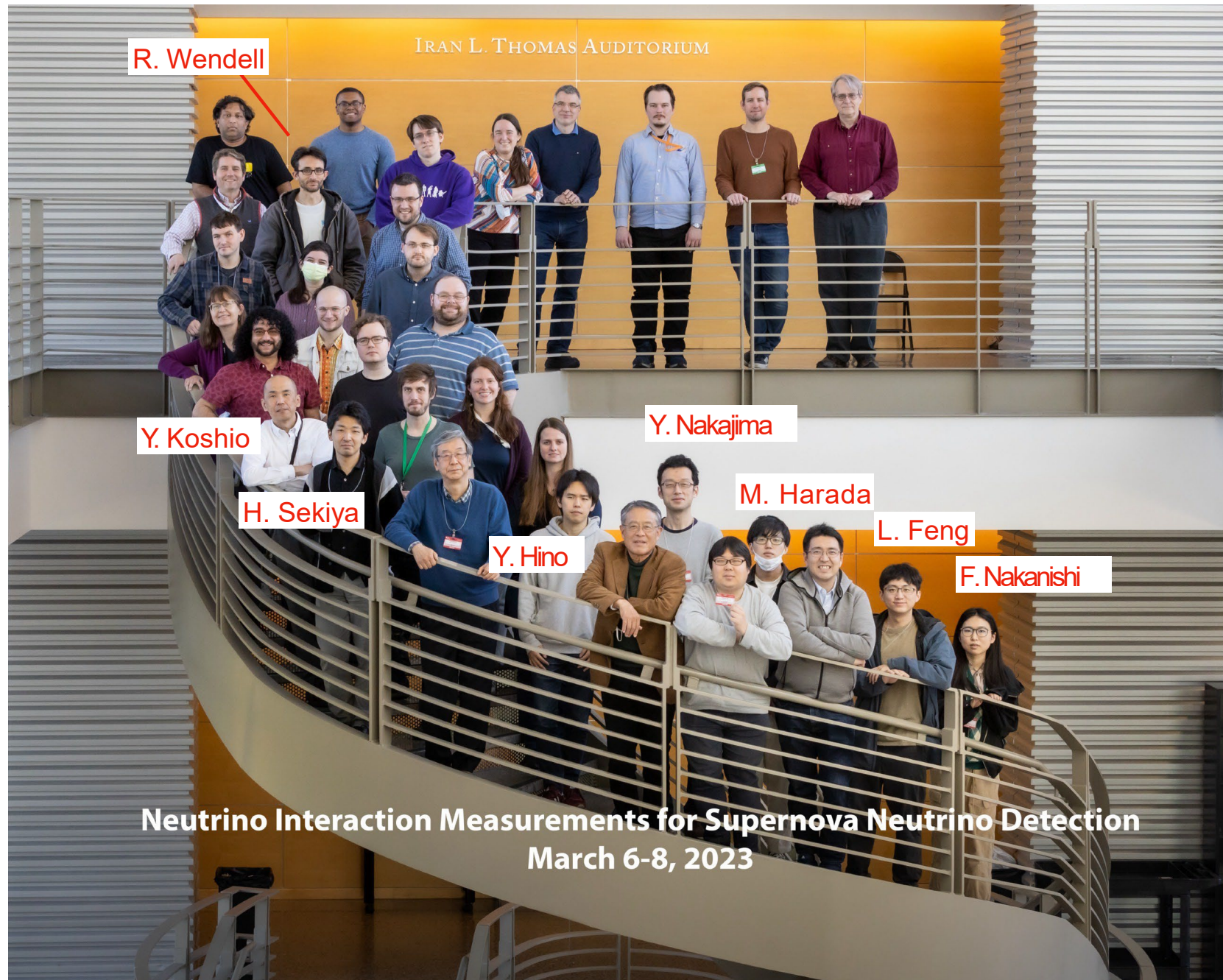
COHERENT

- The COHERENT collaboration measures CEvNS (Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering) using the high-quality pion-decay-at-rest neutrino source at the Spallation Neutron Source in Oak Ridge
- Interaction with people working on the same interest but with different detector techniques



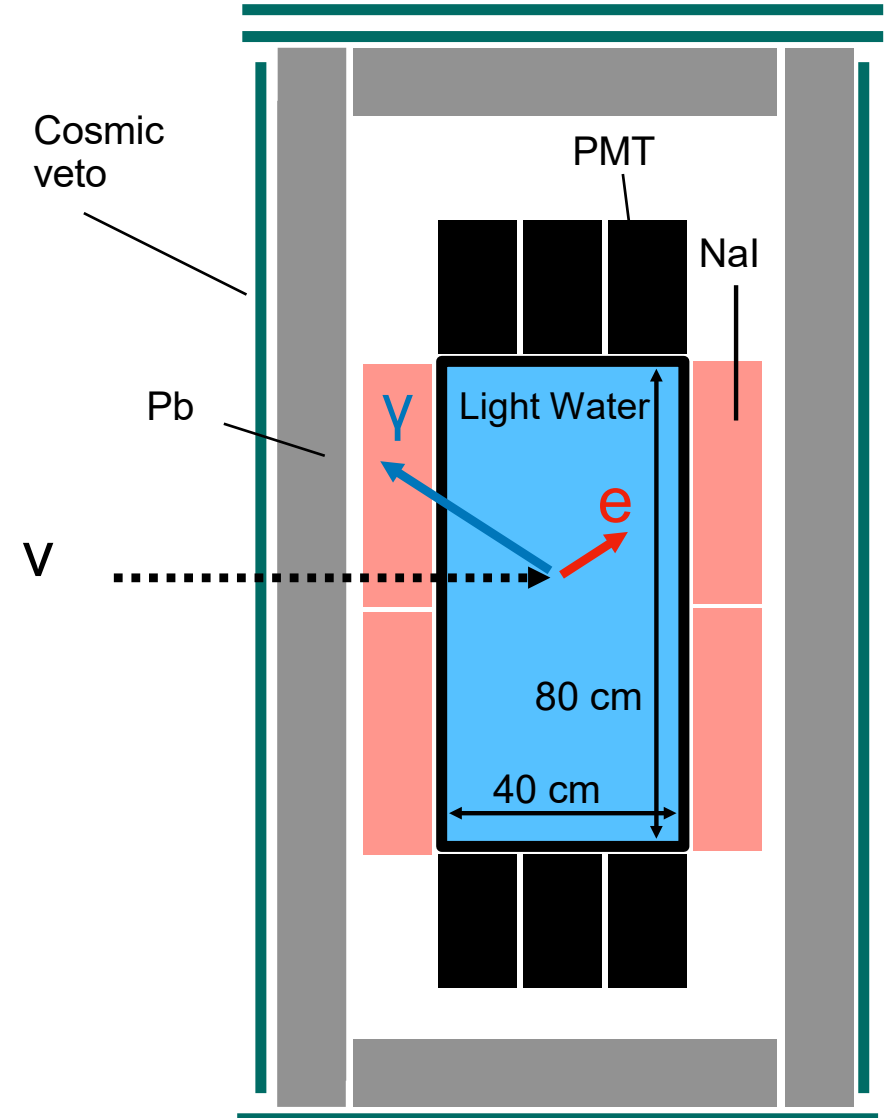
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+ potential graduate students (?)

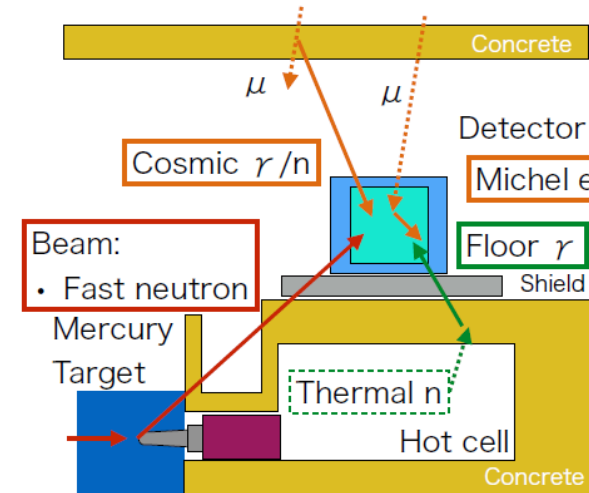
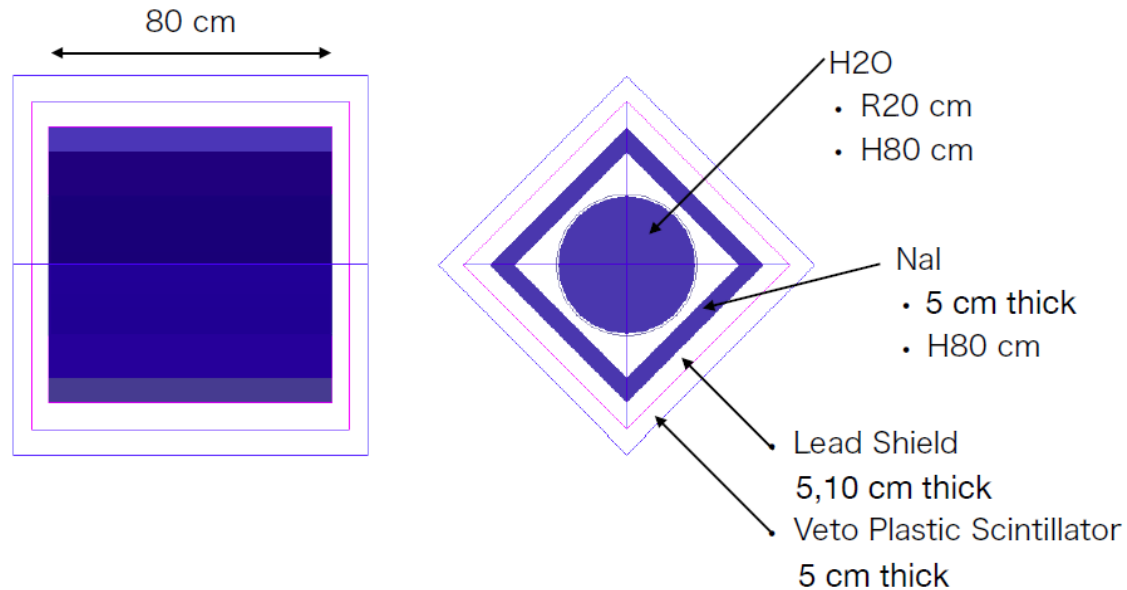


100L detector

- Study backgrounds for ν_e -O interactions
 - Most problematic backgrounds thought to be cosmic-induced photons
 - Small detector allows to place lead shield thicker than the current D₂O detector
 - NaI counters to detect both cosmic-and neutrino-induced photons
 - Movable for study background at several places
- Make initial measurement of ν_e -O CC interaction:
 $\nu_e + {}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow e^- + \text{F}^*$



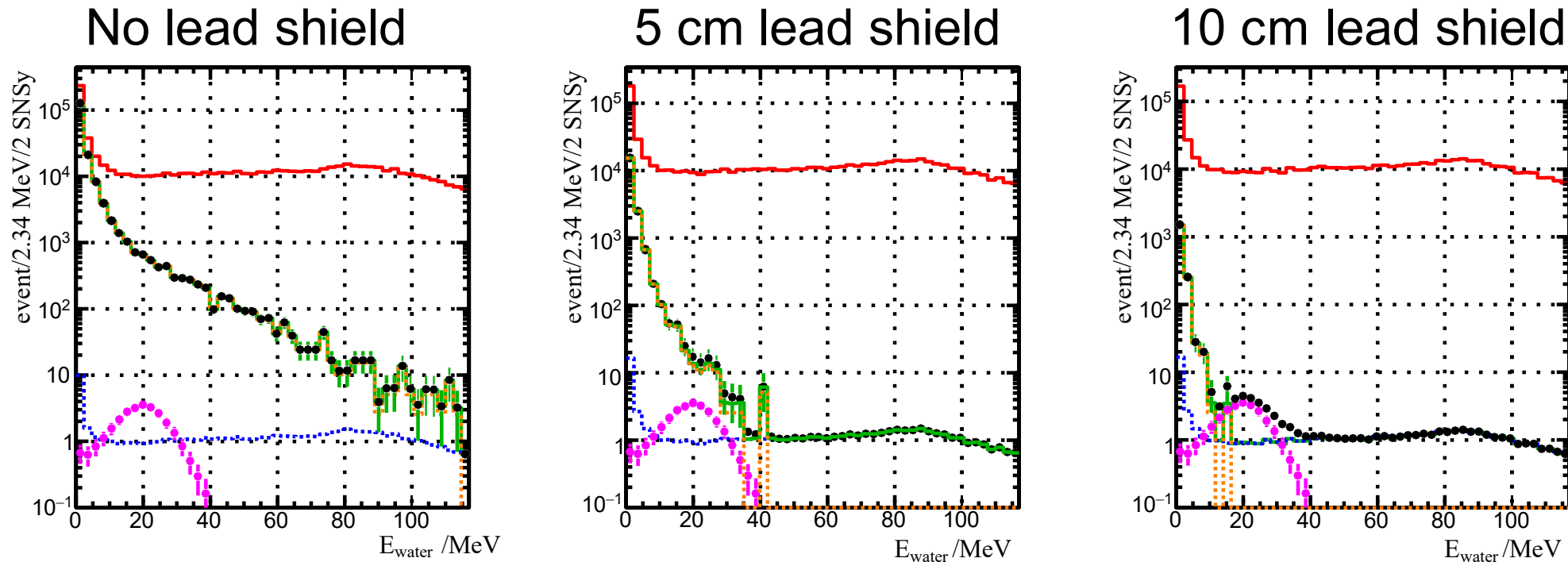
100L detector simulation



- A quick MC simulation to check signal and backgrounds with the 100L detector geometry
 - Also simulate interaction with cosmic muon and concrete ceiling (geometry based on J- PARC MLF)
- Signal rate scaled from the D₂O detector expectation
 - 390 ν_e -O CC interactions / 2 SNS-year @1.4 MW
- Cosmic background rejection due to duty factor (6×10^{-4}) and veto efficiency (1×10^{-4}) assumed

Expected signal

Y.Hino (Okayama)



Events in 10 - 30 MeV / 2 SNS years

Total BG (Lead 0 cm)	7896
Total BG (Lead 5 cm)	282.7
Total BG (Lead 10 cm)	14.4
ν_e -O CC	34.5

- Could detect a few tens of events with two SNS-years of data taking!

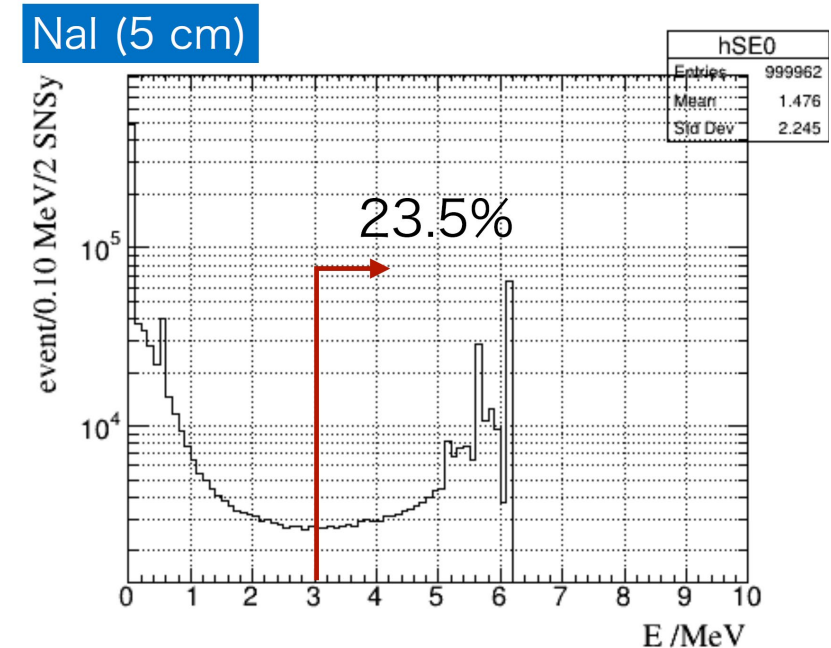
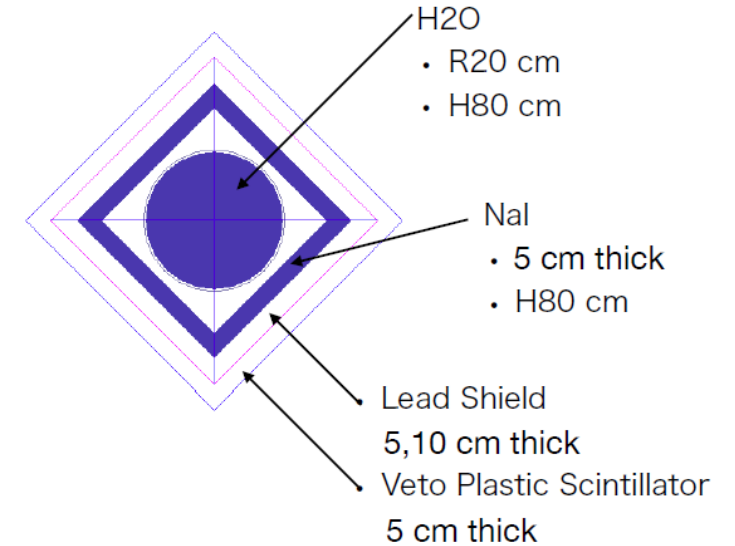
Gamma detection by Nals

- We would also like to try to detect de-excitation gammas from

$$\nu_e + {}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow e^- + \text{F}^*$$

$$(\text{e.g. } {}^{16}\text{F}^* \rightarrow {}^{15}\text{O}^* + p, \quad {}^{15}\text{O}^* \rightarrow {}^{15}\text{O} + \gamma(6.18 \text{ MeV}))$$

- Important for understanding the interaction mechanism and discriminate against backgrounds.
- With 40 (2" x 4" x 16") crystals surrounding the side of the 100L tank, we can detect ~23% of gammas induced by neutrino interactions on ${}^{16}\text{O}$!



Diffuse Supernova Neutrino Background

Supernova Relic Neutrino

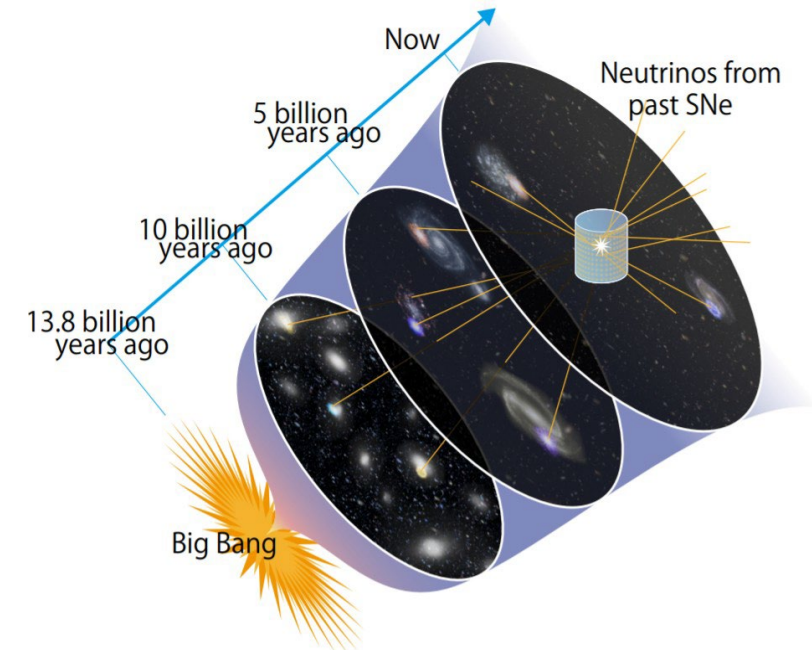
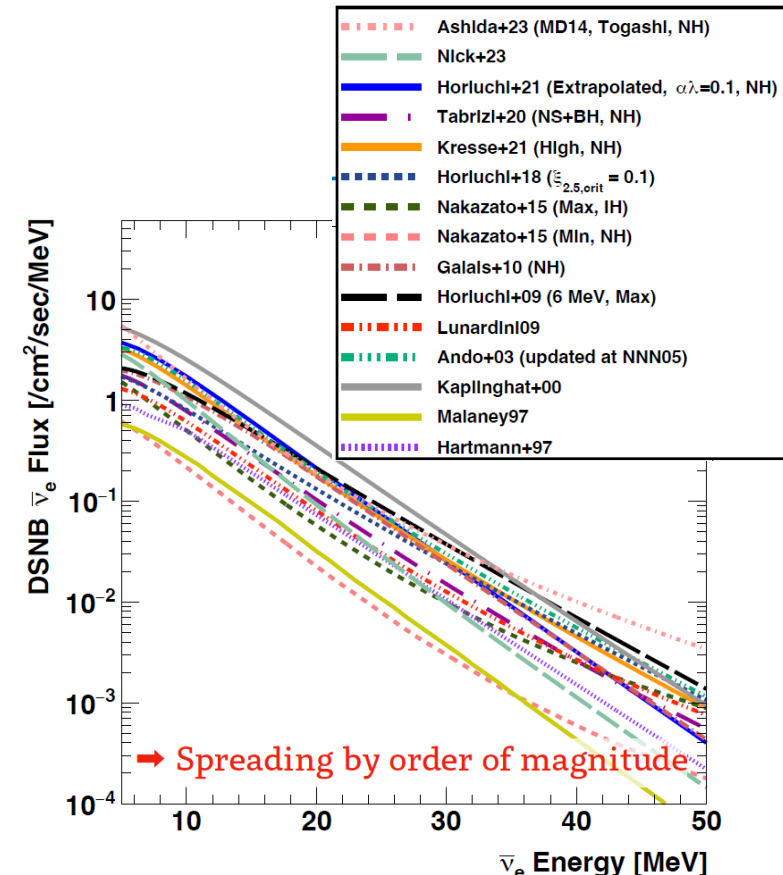
Neutrinos emitted in past supernova explosions and stored in the current universe → **promising extra-galactic ν**

$$\frac{dF_\nu}{dE_\nu} = c \int_0^{z_{\max}} R_{\text{SN}}(z) \frac{dN_\nu(E'_\nu)}{dE'_\nu} (1+z) \frac{dt}{dz} dz$$

SN rate at z (averaged) SN spectrum

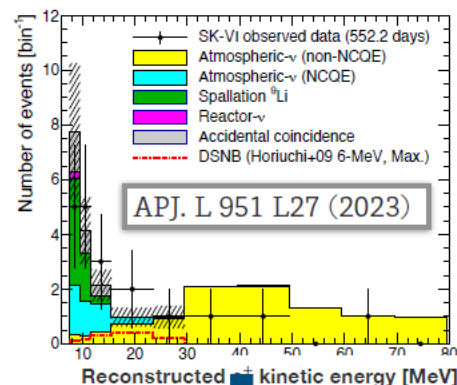
Access to

- Star formation rate
- Failed CCSNe rate;
 - BH formation rate
 - Binary star formation effect
- Typical CCSN neutrino spectrum
- Neutrino oscillation inside the star
 - Neutrino decay?, other NSI?

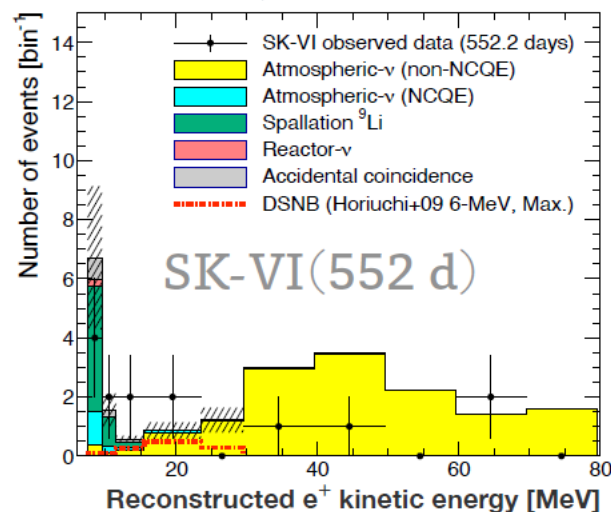


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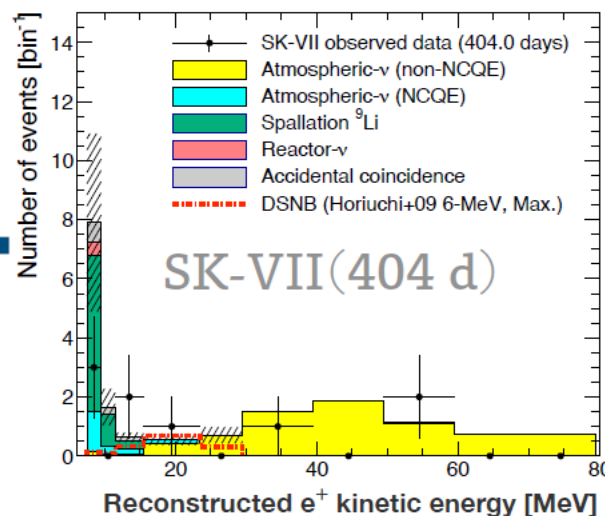
SK-Gd energy spectrum



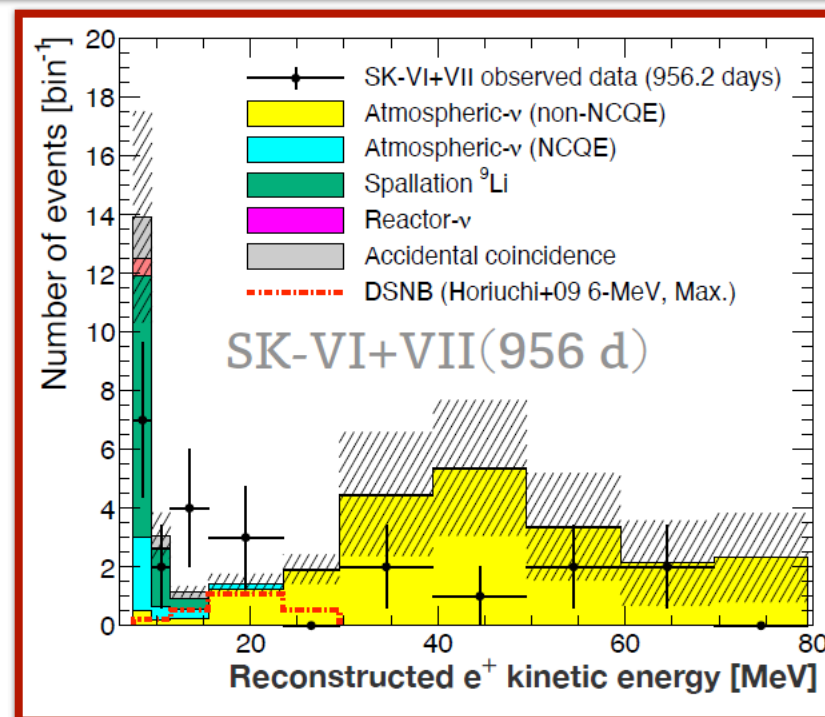
↓ New n-tag, NCQE reduction



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Highlight:

- Additional 404 days with 0.03% Gd → Totally 956 days SK-Gd data
- Select only $N_n = 1$
- New neutron ID and background reduction
- No signal obvious excess, but indicates (min. p-value=0.04)

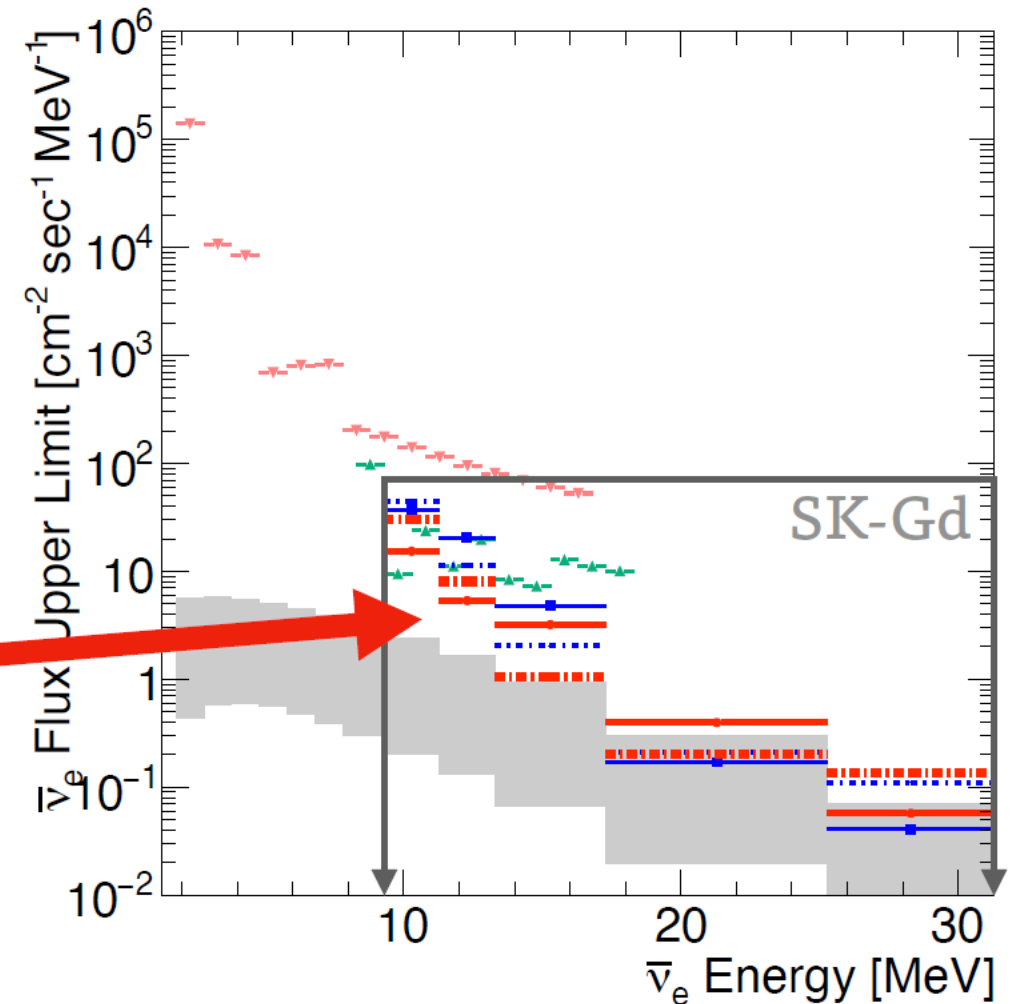
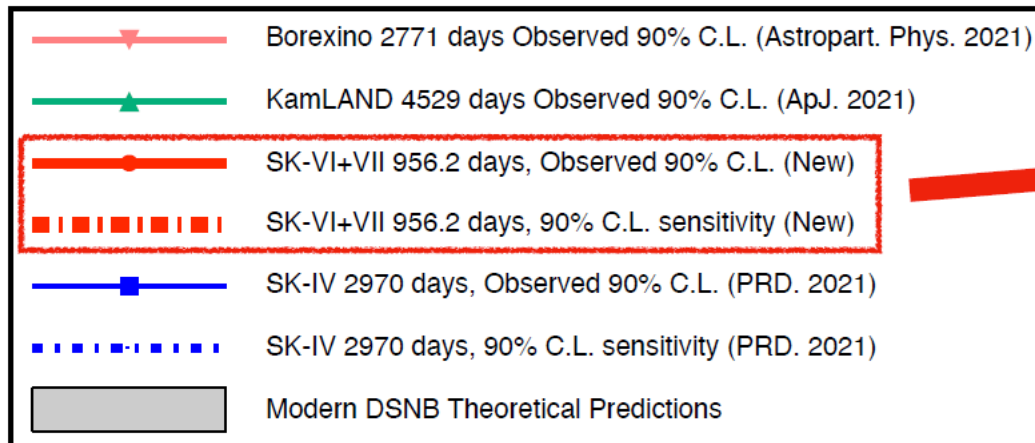
Differential flux upper limits

Spectral-independent analysis



Highlight:

- 956 days of SK-Gd with Gd 0.01%(552 d)+0.03%(404 d)
Spectrum independent analysis
 - Only use $N_n = 1$ events
 - Differential upper limit for $9.3 < E_\nu < 31.3$ MeV
- Update the world stringent sensitivity for almost all bins



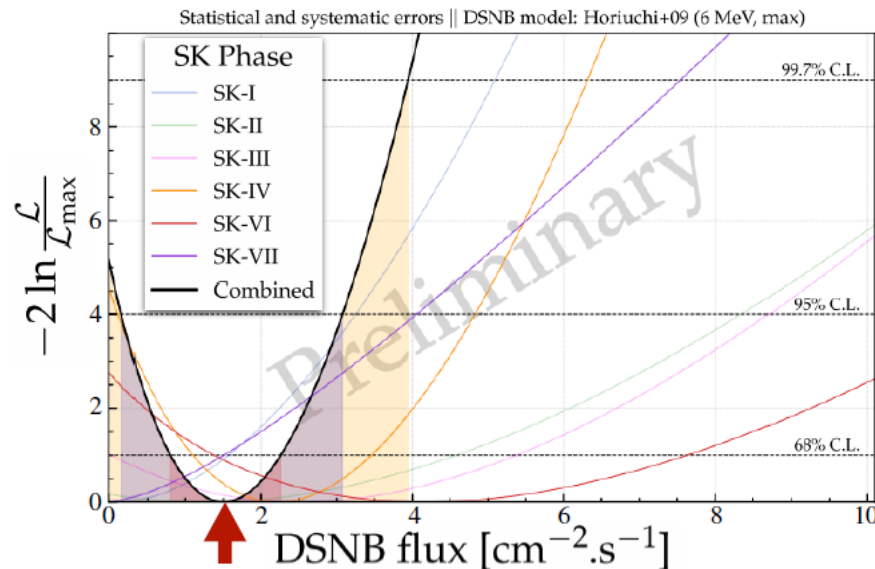
Tension from zero assumption

Spectral-fitting analysis



Spectrum fitting analysis to extract significance

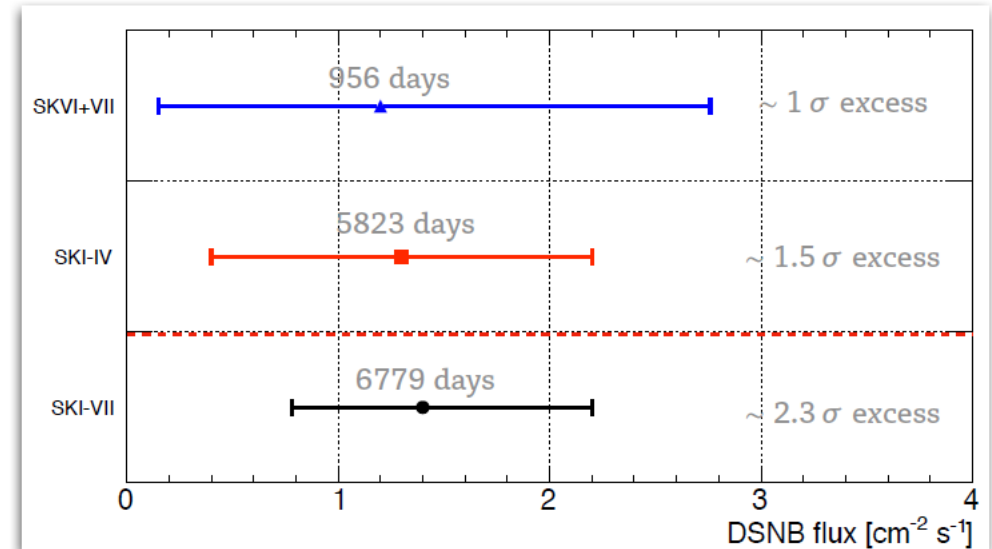
- Total 6779 days of SK (5823 d pure-water and 956 d Gd-water) combined
- Analysis threshold: $E_\nu > 17.3$ MeV
- Suppress uncertainty of background prediction by fitting both $N_n=1$, $N_n \neq 1$



Best fit: 1.4

(Rogly, poster)

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Highlight:

- Sensitivity of SK-Gd ~ 1000 days exposure is already comparable level it with ~ 6000 days of pure-water SK
 - Best fit of whole SK observation is $1.4^{+0.8}_{-0.6} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for $E_\nu > 17.3$ MeV
- exhibit $\sim 2.3 \sigma$ excess!!

Aim for 3σ in 5 years

Conclusion

UGRP C01:

Advancing Super-Kamiokande for Core-Collapse Supernovae (CCSNe)

- **Enhance Pre-SN Neutrino Alarms:**
 - Develop more reliable and faster pre-supernova neutrino alarms.
- **Improve SN Alarm Accuracy:**
 - Increase the precision and speed in determining the direction of supernova explosions and issuing supernova alarms.
- **Measure Neutrino Interactions:**
 - Conduct neutrino- ^{16}O interaction measurements at ORNL for better CCSNe detection at Super-Kamiokande.
- **Pursue DSNB search:**
 - Continue efforts in detecting the Diffuse Supernova Neutrino Background (DSNB).