## From the KamLAND to the KamLAND-Zen, or from looking for antineutrinos to looking for no neutrinos.

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#### KamLAND-Kamioka Large Anti Neutrino Detector



#### THE STANDARD MODEL

Recognition



Boson

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#### What do we know about neutrinos? F. A. Scott, Phys. Rev. 48, 391 (1935)

I. They do exist





# II. There are three light neutrino species $N_{\nu}=2.984\pm0.008$





## Neutrino Oscillations

The idea of neutrino oscillations existed long before Davis experiment: Pontecorvo (1958), Maki, Nakagawa, and Sakata (1962), and Pontecorvo and Gribov (1969)

If  $m_v$  is non-zero, then mixing between different neutrino flavors is possible

$$\left|\boldsymbol{\nu}_{j}\right\rangle = \sum_{j} U_{jl} \left|\boldsymbol{\nu}_{l}\right\rangle$$

What is produced and detected is weak eigenstate  $|\nu_j\rangle$ 

What propagates is the mass eigenstate  $|
u_l
angle$ 

 $U_{jl} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & e^{-i\delta}\sin\theta_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{-i\delta}\sin\theta_{13} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\alpha_1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Simplified expression for two flavor oscillations in a vacuum:

 $U_{il}$ is a 3 x 3 unitary

matrix (like the CKM

matrix for quarks)

 $P(v_{l} \rightarrow v_{l'}) = \sin^{2}2\theta \sin^{2}(1.27\Delta m^{2}(eV^{2})L(m)/E_{v}(MeV))$ 



## KamLAND -Kamioka Liquidscintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector



## The KamLAND Detector

Balloon & support ropes

Target LS Volume (1 kton, 13m diameter)

Buffer Oil Zone

Photomultiplier Tubes (34% coverage of ID)

> Stainless Steel Inner Vessel (18m diameter)



\_\_\_\_\_calibration device & operator

Glove box

Chimney (access point)

Outer Detector (3.2 kton Water Cherenkov)



## The Target Volume

#### Liquid Scintillator:

- proton rich:  $> 10^{31}$  free protons
- 20% Pseudocume + 80% Mineral Oil + 1.36 g/l PPO
- Optimal light yield while maintaining long attenuation length (~15 m).





#### **Balloon:**

- Separates target LS volume from buffer oil
- 135 µm Nylon/EVOH (ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer)
- Supported by braided kevlar ropes and buffer oil



## **KamLAND** Photomultipliers

#### PMT and acrylic panel installation (2000)



- 1325 17" tubes
- 554 20" tubes (since Feb. '03)
- ~300 hits for 1 MeV energy deposit
- Transit time spread
  < 3 ns on 17" tubes</li>
- acrylic panels protect against radioactive backgrounds

## Cables and Electronics





12 ch. per board, 400 MHz sampling Generates trigger Connected to GPS (Custom build at LBNL)



In 2010 second set of electronics was commissioned. Both working in parallel now.



#### How much energy deposited and where?

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{6.5\%}{\sqrt{E(MeV)}}$$

#### **Energy Reconstruction:**

- Energy ∞ Number of Hit PMT's
- Correction for Vertex Position
- Correction for Quenching and Cherenkov Radiation



#### **Vertex Reconstruction**

Determined by Very Precise Timing of Hits (~few ns resolution)

$$\frac{\sigma_X}{X} = \frac{12cm}{\sqrt{E(MeV)}}$$

## **Example of Calibration**



## **Muon Tracking**



#### Source of cosmogenic backgrounds

Rate of Muons hitting KamLAND OD: ~1 Hz KamLAND ID: 0.3 Hz

Good agreement with simulation of muons passing through compicated mountain topography





## Antineutrino event

KamLAND Event Display

TriggerType : 0xb00 / 0x2

Total Charge : 872 (0)

Run/Subrun/Event : 207/0/5160075

UT: Tue Jan 1 07:40:01 2002 TimeStamp : 1027875306078

Time Difference 111 micro sec

NumHit/Nsum/Nsum2/NumHitA : 476/299/451/0

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#### (colour is time)



Prompt Signal E = 3.20 MeV

 $\Delta t = 111 \ \mu s$  $\Delta R = 34 \ cm$ 

 $e^+ + n$   $n + p \rightarrow d + \gamma(2.2 \text{ MeV})$ 

Delayed Signal E = 2.22 MeV



## **Oscillation Results**



### Geo Neutrinos

nature

NATUREJOBS

28 July 2005 | www.nature.com/nature | £10

GLOBAL CLIMATE Vital CO<sub>2</sub> flux from Amazon vegetation

THE INTERNATIONAL WEEKLY JOURNAL OF SCIENCE

BREAST CANCER Gene signature for metastasis

FORENSIC SCIENCE Everything has a fingerprint



#### **EARTHLY POWERS** Geoneutrinos reveal Earth's inner secrets



## Earth's Total Surface Heat Flow

40,000 data points

Conductive heat flow measured from bore-hole temperature gradient and conductivity

Surface heat flow  $mW m^{-2}$  46±3 TW (1) 47±2 TW (2)

23 - 45	75 - 85
45 - 55	85 - 95
55 - 65	95 - 150
65 - 75	150 - 450

(1) Jaupart et al (2008) Treatise of Geophys.
(2) Davies and Davies (2010) Solid Earth

#### Anti-neutrinos from the Earth



 ${}^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow {}^{206}\text{Pb} + 8{}^{4}\text{He} + 6e^{-} + 6\overline{\nu_{e}} + 52 \text{ [MeV]}$   ${}^{235}\text{U} \rightarrow {}^{207}\text{Pb} + 6{}^{4}\text{He} + 4e^{-} + 4\overline{\nu_{e}} + 47 \text{ [MeV]}$   ${}^{232}\text{Th} \rightarrow {}^{208}\text{Pb} + 6{}^{4}\text{He} + 4e^{-} + 4\overline{\nu_{e}} + 43 \text{ [MeV]}$   ${}^{40}\text{K} \rightarrow {}^{40}\text{Ca} + e^{-} + \overline{\nu_{e}} + 1.31 \text{ [MeV]} \quad (89.3\%)$   ${}^{40}\text{K} + e^{-} \rightarrow {}^{40}\text{Ar} + \nu_{e} + 1.505 \text{ [MeV]} \quad (10.7\%)$ 



Isotope	Abundance, relative	T ½, By.	Heat <sup>*</sup> production, TW
<sup>232</sup> Th	1	14.1	8.5
<sup>238</sup> U	0.25	4.5	7.7
<sup>235</sup> U	0.0018	0.7	0.33
$^{40}$ K	2.8	1.3	3.2
Total radiogenic			~20 (50% of total)

\*Based on the Bulk silicate Earth model

#### Anti-neutrinos at the KamLAND



<u>KamLAND</u> was designed to measure reactor anti-neutrinos and they are the most significant background for geo-neutrinos.

#### Event rate time variation: 0.9 MeV - 2.6 MeV



We see constant excess above the estimated reactor neutrino + non-neutrino background at 0.9 < E < 2.6 MeV region

#### 2011, Geo Science 4126 ton-yr data-set (2135 days)



Rate analysis (0.9 < E < 2.6 MeV)			
841 candidates			
<sup>9</sup> Li	2.0 ± 0.1		
Accidental	77.4 ± 0.1		
Fast neutron	< 2.8		
(α, <b>n</b> )	165.3 ± 18.2		
Reactor v	484.7 ± 26.5		
BG total	729.4 ± 32.3		

excess 111<sup>+45</sup><sub>-43</sub> events

## Fixing U/Th ratio



 $F_{geo} = 4.3^{+1.2}_{-1.1} \times 10^6 / cm^2 / sec$ 

This is a conformation that radiogenic is responsible to up to ~50% of the total heat emitted by the Earth

#### **Solar Antineutrinos**



L.B. Okun, M.B. Voloshin, M.I. Vysotsky 1986. 26 pp. ITEP-86-82. Sov.Phys. JETP 64 (1986) 446-452



- hep

0.2

 $(R/R_{\odot})$ 

0.25

0.3

0.35

€PΡ

0.15

$$P(v_{eL} \rightarrow \bar{v}_{eR}) = 1.8 \times 10^{-10} \left[ \frac{\mu_{\nu}}{10^{-12} \mu_{B}} \times \frac{B_{T}(0.05R_{s})}{10kG} \right]^{2} \sin^{2} 2\theta_{12}$$

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0.05

0.1

## Llimit on Solar Antineutrinos (4.5 kty)



Upper limits on solar electron antineutrino flux for 8.8-30 MeV:

$$\Phi_{\bar{v}_e} < 93.4 \, cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$
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#### Neutrino conversion probability: P<5.3×10<sup>-5</sup>

product of neutrino magnetic moment and magnetic field in the core of the Sun:

$$\frac{\mu}{10^{-12}\,\mu_B} \frac{B_T(0.05R_S)}{10kG} < 5.9 \times 10^2$$

 $\mu_{\nu} = 3.2 \ 10^{-19} (m_{\nu} / eV) \ \mu_{B} \text{ S.M.}$  $\mu_{\nu} < 3.0 \ 10^{-12} \mu_{B} \text{ Red Giants.}$  $\mu_{\nu} < 3.2 \ 10^{-11} \mu_{B} \text{ GEMMA}$ 

Astrophys.J. 745:193 2012 Phys.Rev.Lett.92:071301,2004

## Transition to the KamLAND-Zen

During initial stage of KamLAND proposal we thought about option to modify KamLAND with the goal to search for the neutrino less double beta decay.

Discovery of  $0v2\beta$  process will give answer on neutrino nature (Majorana) and give a tool to measure neutrino mass







Neutrino mass

 $\begin{array}{ll} 0.05 \ \mathrm{eV} < \Sigma \mathrm{m}_{\nu} < \sim 0.5 \ \mathrm{eV} \\ \textit{(oscillations)} & \textit{(others)} \end{array}$ 







#### **Mass Parabola**



#### However for some isotopes

#### Two neutrinos or zero neutrinos?



### **Some Candidates**

#### ββ2v-mode:

Isotope	$T_{1/2}^{2 u}$ (y)	References	$M_{GT}^{2 u}~({ m MeV^{-1}})$
$^{48}Ca$	$(4.2 \pm 1.2)  imes 10^{19}$	(55, 56)	0.05
$^{76}{ m Ge}$	$(1.3\pm 0.1) imes 10^{21}$	(57, 58, 59)	0.15
$^{82}$ Se	$(9.2\pm 1.0) imes 10^{19}$	(60, 61)	0.10
$^{96}\mathrm{Zr}^{\dagger}$	$(1.4^{+3.5}_{-0.5}) \times 10^{19}$	(62, 63, 64)	0.12
$^{100}\mathrm{Mo}$	$(8.0\pm 0.6) imes 10^{18}$	$(65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70), (71)^{\dagger}$	0.22
$^{116}\mathrm{Cd}$	$(3.2\pm0.3) imes10^{19}$	(72, 73, 74)	0.12
$^{128}\mathrm{Te}^{(1)}$	$(7.2 \pm 0.3)  imes 10^{24}$	(75, 76)	0.025
$^{130}{ m Te}^{(2)}$	$(2.7\pm0.1) imes10^{21}$	(75)	0.017
$^{136}\mathrm{Xe}$	$> 8.1 \times 10^{21} (90\% \text{ CL})$	(77)Until the last year we have on	ly limit<0.03
$^{150}\mathrm{Nd}^{\dagger}$	$7.0^{+11.8}_{-0.3}  imes 10^{18}$	(68, 78)	0.07
$^{238}U^{(3)}$	$(2.0\pm 0.6) imes 10^{21}$	(79)	0.05

 $(T_{1/2}^{2\nu})^{-1} = G_{2\nu}(Q_{\beta\beta}, Z) |M_{GT}^{2\nu}|^2$ 

#### Neutrino Less Double beta decay <sup>ββ0v-mode:</sup>

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu}(Q_{\beta\beta},Z) |M^{0\nu}|^2 < m_{\nu} >^2$$

$$\left\langle m_{\nu} \right\rangle = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{3} U_{ei}^{2} \cdot m_{i} \right| \approx \left| (0.87)^{2} \cdot m_{1} + (0.5)^{2} \cdot \sqrt{m_{1}^{2} + \Delta m_{21}^{2}} \cdot e^{2i\beta} + s_{13}^{2} \cdot m_{3} \cdot e^{-2i(\gamma - \delta)} \right|$$



FIG. 3 (color online). Nuclear matrix elements calculated for different methods (ISM [5,22], QRPA(Jy) [8], QRPA(Tu) [7], IBM-2 [12], PHFB [10]) with UCOM short-range correlations. QRPA values are calculated with  $g_A = 1.25$  and IBM-2 and PHFB results are multiplied by 1.18 to account for the difference between Jastrow and UCOM [29].

Nuclear Physics Require Multiple Isotope Program !!!

## **Region of Interest**

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0νββ

2000

2νββ

500

1000

1500

0.003

0.002

0.001

arbitrary units

10 years of efforts ~10 kg of detectors build with isotopicaly enriched Ge detectors Located at a ultrapure environment

Claim of 4 sigma effect. Corresponds to 170-450 meV effective neutrino mass



Background level ~ 400 events/t/y/R.O.I.



Représentation de la Terre d'après les Hindous.

## Some Present and future experiments

Experiment	Isotope	Mass, kg	Aim, T <sub>1/2</sub> , y	Sensitivity <m<sub>v&gt;, meV</m<sub>	Status
CUORE	<sup>130</sup> Te	200	1.1026	50-130	Funded
GERDA	<sup>76</sup> Ge	I. 17 II. 40 III.1000	2·10 <sup>25</sup> 2·10 <sup>26</sup> 6·10 <sup>27</sup>	60-200 10-40	Funded Funded R&D
MAJORANA	<sup>76</sup> Ge	I. 20-30 II. 1000	10 <sup>26</sup> 6·10 <sup>27</sup>	90-300 10-40	Funded R&D
EXO	<sup>136</sup> Xe	200 1000	(4-5)·10 <sup>2</sup> 10 <sup>27</sup>	80-240 20-50	Funded R&D
SuperNEMO	<sup>82</sup> Se	100-200	(1-2)·10 <sup>2</sup>	40-110	R&D
KamLAND-Zen	<sup>136</sup> Xe	330 1000	~ 2·10 <sup>26</sup> ~ 6·10 <sup>26</sup>	40-110 23-58	Funded R&D
SNO+	<sup>150</sup> Nd	50	$\sim 6.10^{24}$	120-410	Funded

#### KamLAND-Zen

Focus is on the large mass, low background, and existing detector



<sup>136</sup>Xe 400 kg loaded LS in mini-balloon, R=1.7m

<sup>136</sup>Xe 400 kg:

2.7 wt% dissolved into LS easy handling/ enrichment (90%) longer 2∨ beta decay life time T<sup>2∨</sup> >10<sup>22</sup> years (cf: ~10<sup>19-20</sup>)
KamLAND exists:

ultra pure environment (U/Th~10<sup>-17</sup> g/g) LS techniques Balloon experience LS Density control techniques Reactor/Geo neutrino
# Scintillator

Mini Balloon is very thin so Xe loaded scintillator should have the same density as the KamLAND scintillator

Xe loaded LS PC 17.7% Decane 82.3% PPO(~2.7g/l) Xe 3.0wt% KamLAND LS PC 20% = Dodecane 80% PPO(1.36g/l)









# KamLAND Deck Modific







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# **Scintillator Handling Infrastructure**









# Mini Balloon. Thickness - 25 µm

#### Assembly/Deployment

- •Weld Balloon together, test it for a leaks.
- •Fold it and wrap inside protective layer (Cocoon)
- •Move to the detector site.
- •Remove transportation protective layer in a clean environment
- •Lower its bottom while it is folded via chimney.
- •Filled it with small amount (~100 l.) of scintillator with density higher than that of KamLAND scintillator.
- •Deploy it all the way, remove protective layer and straps.
- •Expand it using regular liquid scintillator
- •Replace regular scintillator with Xe loaded scintillator

#### Test deployment of Mini Balloon Prototype











## Mini-balloon fabrication in super clean room (2011, May-July)



Film

Film rinsing with ultra-pure water using an ultrasonic machine



Carefully checking films.

Nishizawa center, Tohoku Univ. Class 1 (=1 particle(>0.1µm) /feet<sup>3</sup>)

A super-clean room in the





Welding gores by an impulse welding machine





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# **July 2011**



#### Putting the nylon belts



Shipping to Kamioka

Packing

Kamioka in the mine



A clean tent at the KamLAND dome area



Mini-balloon into the tent



Camera installation



Preparation for the deployment



Connecting the corrugated tube



#### Install the mini-balloon into KamLAND (Aug.2011)

Data taking started in Sep. 2011





View by a monitor camera from the detector top. The mini-balloon edge can be seen by the deformed shape of the beam in the tank.

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## Succesfully done

Connection pipe

## We have to wait for Radon to decay



#### **Energy calibration**

ThO<sub>2</sub>W source

ThO<sub>2</sub>W  $\gamma$ -ray source (2.614MeV <sup>208</sup>Tl), <sup>214</sup>Bi( $\beta + \gamma$ 's) from <sup>222</sup>Rn (initial stage), 2.225MeV  $\gamma$ 's from spallation neutron captures on protons are utilized.

Data set

z ~ 141cm

r ~ 163cm



×10<sup>3</sup>

2.614 (<sup>208</sup>TI)

## **Vertex reconstruction**

#### Bias study process



## How to recalibrate refractive index?

Acrylic frames look awry.

Corrugated

Pipe

Inner-Balloon boundary



#### How to tune n<sub>XeLS</sub>, n<sub>KamLS</sub>

#### Check... Simulation n<sub>KamLS</sub> > n<sub>XeLS</sub> ~ 0.5% Installed Camera in ID 1. yellow generate 108 optical photons n<sub>KamLS</sub> < n<sub>XeLS</sub> ~ **1.0%** 2. blue screen each situations reproduces the picture? If photon hits acrylic frame, plot a point on the screen. frame

## NKamLS < NXeLS ~ 1.0% blue





## NKamLS > NXeLS ~ 0.5% blue



## Result



#### modified simulation settings



The bias become small.

# After calibration of energy and vertex reconstruction we can look into Physics

## Visible Energy vs R<sup>3</sup>



# **Unfortunate Timing**

April 2011 – all materials were ready and stored at Sendai clean room to build mini balloon

May-July 2011 Balloon was build

August 2011 balloon was transported to Kamioka and deployed in the KamLAND



## **Cesium from Fukushima**



## <sup>134</sup>Cs $t_{1/2}$ =2.07 y <sup>137</sup>Cs $t_{1/2}$ =30.06 y

Ratio of two Cs isotopes in soil samples at Sendai is the same as on the mini-balloon!

However all contamination on the balloon we can cut away by sacrificing fiducial mass

# Radial Cut

## Visible Energy vs R<sup>3</sup>



Cs contamination helps us to define mini balloon position!!!

# **Energy Spectrum**



 $^{136}Xe \rightarrow ^{136}Ba + 2v + 2e^{-1}$ 

# 2v half live time estimation

#### 2vββ decay rate 7.9×10<sup>4</sup> [events/day/kton]

fitting error ~ 0.90% for statistical uncertainty



systematic uncertainty	error
fiducial volume	5.2%
enrichment of Xe	0.05%
Xe amount	2.8%
energy scale	0.3%
Xe-LS edge effect	0.06%
detection efficiency	0.2%
total	5.9%

2nu half life (livetime 112.3 days) [2.44  $\pm$  0.02(stat.)  $\pm$  0.14(sys.)]x10<sup>21</sup>(yr)

Previous result (DAMA)  $t_{1/2} > 1.40^{22}$ A few month before KamLAND, EXO published:  $t_{1/2} = (2.11\pm0.04(\text{stat})\pm0.21(\text{sys})).40^{21}$ 

# **Energy Spectrum**



# Investigating background near 2.6 MeV





Total we got a few thousands atoms of <sup>110m</sup>Ag in the detector

# Close-up of OvBB region



## **Combination of KL-Zen and EXO**



NME is a major caveat in interpretation of half life limit

Treating spread in NME calculations as an 'error' then EXO-200 and KLZ result is inconsistent with KK claim in <sup>76</sup>Ge at 95.6% CL

<m<sub>v</sub>> is less than(120-250) meV This is the Best Limit!!!

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## **Global competition.**



## Kam LANL

# Conclusions



- KamLAND was build to test LMA of solar region of neutrino oscillations
- First clear observation of oscillation patter was discovered
- $\Delta m_{21}^2$  was measured with accuracy of 2.5%
- First detection of Geo Neutrinos (continue to accumulate statistics)
- Best limit on Conversion of Neutrinos into Antineutrinos in the Sun
- New incarnation (KamLAND-Zen) is the search for neutrino less double beta decay. Now we have best limit up to date!!! Efforts to reduce background were conducted during 2013. New runs are underway
- As always we are waiting for supernovae.

# Backups

## Neutrino Physics in KamLAND



#### **Observed energy (MeV)**

Geo	Reactor	Solar and Supernova
antineutrino	2 MeV antineutrino	8 MeV antineutrinos



# Accidental Backgrounds



## Antineutrino candidate

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**Prompt Signal** E = 3.20 MeV

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**Delayed** Signal E = 2.22 MeV $\overline{v_e}$  + p  $\rightarrow$  e<sup>+</sup> + n h + p  $\rightarrow$  d + $\gamma$ (2.2 MeV)





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# Correlated Backgrounds: Cosmogenic

#### **Spallation Products**

Muons interact with material producing:

- **fast neutrons** removed with 2ms veto after any detected muon
- delayed neutron  $\beta$  emitters (<sup>9</sup>Li) removed with 2 second veto around  $\mu$ -track



He<sup>8</sup> thought to be a negligible contribution

Cutting events correlated with muons removes almost all cosmogenic bg <10% deadtime introduced by all muon cuts



# Correlated Background: $^{13}C(\alpha,n)^{16}O$

Originating from Rn contamination, discovered after first publication

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low energy
~4.4 MeV
~6 MeV

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**Background Prompt E (MeV)** 

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## Antineutrino Production At Reactors

#### 4 main fuel components

#### Time history of reactor reload



Calculated Neutrino Spectrum N(v) = f(E,t)

# Antineutrino Spectra



Predicted spectrum shown to have good agreement by earlier reactor experiments

### Data Analysis



## Results

Data from March 2002 till November 2009



#### Number of events vs R<sup>3</sup>



# Plate Tectonics, Convection and Cooling of the Mantle



Asthenosphere

#### Differentiation of initially homogeneous Earth

### BSE-Bulk Silicate Earth

#### "Differentiation"



 $\sim$ 13 ng/g U in the Earth

Metallic sphere (core) <<1 ng/g U Silicate sphere 20 ng/g U \*Javoy et al (2010) predicts 12 ng/g \*Turcotte & Schubert (2002) 31 ng/g

Continental Crust 1300 ng/g U Mantle ~12 ng/g U

Chromatographic separation Mantle melting & crust formation

#### One of the BSE models Total Earth's surface heat flow 46 ± 3 (47 ± 2)



#### \*R radiogenic heat

after Jaupart et al 2008 Treatise of Geophysics

(0.4 TW) Tidal dissipation Chemical differentiation Heat Production in the Earth/Mantle There is factor of ~3 differences in BSE models Mantle BSE

- **19 31** Turcotte & Schubert (2002)
- 17 28 Anderson (2007)
- Palme & O'Neill (2003)

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   20

   Allegre et al (1995), McD & Sun ('95)
- 7 17 Lyubetskaya & Korenaga (2007)
  - 12 Javoy et al. (2010)
    - (Bulk Silicate Earth)



(minus crust contribution and only Th & U flux)

**TW** in Mantle

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# Radiogenic Heat Production History



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#### What Geo-neutrinos can tell us:

#### Measure total radiogenic heat production

#### Distinguish heat generation in mantle vs. crust



Help evaluate different geo models

Provide input to better understand geological history of the Earth

### Effects of Local Geology



#### Post 'Fukushima'' Nuclear Energy in Japan

On February of 2011 about 70% on nuclear energy capacity were in operation Every 13 month every nuclear unit should be stopped for regular maintenance

During the last year none of the units get permission to resume operation after planned shutdown.
At the end of January 2012 only 3 units were in operation at: Shimane, Kashiwazaki, Tomari

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Shimane – off March 26<sup>th</sup> Kashiwazaki – off Starting from the beginning of this May there will be no nuclear power plant in Japan in operation



# Changes in Reactor Anti-neutrino Flux

Reactor Neutrino Event Rate (1.8MeV < E < 3.3MeV)



02 Apr 2012 20:05:28 CEST: world-reactor-map.kino 🚫

#### **Beginning of 2011**

Now



Location	Reactor rate <3.3 MeV TNU	Geo rate TNU*	Detector	N geo per year	Status
KAMIOKA	5.2 (now)	34.5	KamLAND	20.7	Running
FREJUS	133	43.1			
SUDBURY	44.3	50.8	SNO+	~40	About to start
GRAN SASSO	23.1	40.7	Borexino	4.2	Running
PYHASALMI	18.1	51.5	LENA	1500	Proposal
BAKSAN	9.33	50.8			
DUSEL	8.4	52.6			
HAWAII	1.1	12.5	Hanohano	75	Proposal

\* Fiorentini at all, Phys Rep. 2007

#### Geo Reactor ?



Most of U and Th are in the core! This hypotheses is not on the main stream of geology.

**Challenges for detection** 



Similar spectra as for man made reactors
Background from nuclear power plants
No directionality in v<sub>e</sub> + p → n + e<sup>+</sup> reaction

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Based on the fluctuations of energy production by nuclear power plants and background subtraction upper limits are:
P<sub>geo-reacto</sub> < 3TW (Borexino), P<sub>geo-reacto</sub> < 5.2 TW (KamLAND)</li>
If nuclear power plants in Japan will stay off for entire 2012, expected sensitivity for Geo-reactor at one sigma for KamLAND is ~2 TW

## Perspectives for Potassium





Isotope	Abundance %	Threshold, MeV	Product	Product life time	Q keV
<sup>3</sup> He	0.00014	1.04	<sup>3</sup> H	12.33 y	18.6
$^{14}N$	99.6	1.18	<sup>14</sup> C	5730 y	156
<sup>33</sup> S	0.75	1.27	<sup>33</sup> P	25.34 d	248
<sup>35</sup> Cl	75.8	1.19	<sup>35</sup> S	Stable	
<sup>63</sup> Cu	69.2	1.09	<sup>63</sup> Ni	100 y	67
<sup>106</sup> Cd	1.25	1.22	<sup>106</sup> Ag	24min	2965



### mini-Balloon

25 μm thick Nylon balloon

<sup>238</sup>U~10<sup>-11</sup>g/g (target~10<sup>-12</sup>g/g)
 <sup>232</sup>Th~10<sup>-11</sup>g/g (target~10<sup>-12</sup>g/g)
 <sup>40</sup>K~10<sup>-11</sup>g/g (target~10<sup>-12</sup>g/g)





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