#### **Status of the DCBA experiment**

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## $\beta\beta$ experiments in the world

#### Scintillation/Calorimetry

ionization COBRA (<sup>130</sup>Te, <sup>116</sup>Cd, etc.) Majorana<sup>(76</sup>Ge) GERDA(<sup>76</sup>Ge)

scintillation CANDLES(<sup>48</sup>Ca) MOON(<sup>100</sup>Mo) KamLAND-Zen(<sup>136</sup>Xe) SNO+(<sup>150</sup>Nd)

bolometry CUORE(<sup>130</sup>Te)

Ionization +scintillation EXO(<sup>136</sup>Xe) NEXT(<sup>136</sup>Xe)

DCBA (<sup>100</sup>Mo,

<sup>150</sup>Nd, etc.)

Tracking

Combination

(momentum reco.) NEMO3 (<sup>100</sup>Mo, <sup>82</sup>Se, <sup>150</sup>Nd, etc.) Super NEMO (<sup>82</sup>Se, <sup>150</sup>Nd, etc.)

## Characteristics of Tracking method

Advantages:

- Insensitive to neutral background (e.g.  $\gamma$ -ray)
- More information than other methods:
  - Full 4-momentum and charges of two  $\beta$ -rays
  - Decay vertex position
- Good background rejection:
- More information (E-spectrum of single β, angular correlation) to constrain New Physics beyond the SM (if 0vββ observed)

Disadvantage:



#### DCBA: method

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



## DCBA: track reconstruction method

#### Reconstruct position: X: drift time Y: hit position of the anode wire Z: hit position of the pickup wire





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- 1. electric charges of two  $\beta$ -rays
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- 5. position of the decay vertex



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#### **DCBA** experiment

DCBA experiment is performed at Fuji-experimental hall @ KEK



Fuji experimental hall is constructed for e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider experiment, and is *NOT* underground facility

## History and Future Plan

2005 DCBA

2007 DCBA-T2

-R&D of the experimental Method - Measurement of 2vββ

#### 2011 DCBA-T2.5

## now- Prototyping towards MTD2017 DCTA-T3-Precise measurement of 2νββ

20XX MTD (tentative name)

-Search for  $0\nu\beta\beta$ 





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#### DCBA-T2.5

DCBA-T2 chamber is installed in the DCBA-T3 magnet

#### DCBA T2 Chamber





Natural Mo source plate: •280mm x 130mm x 50µm •45mg/cm<sup>2</sup> •total 30g

• <sup>100</sup>Mo: 9.6% in the plate (0.03 mol)



DCBA-T3 Magnet: • Super-Conducting solenoid 24 hour operation • B~0.6-0.8kGauss for T2.5



#### DCBA-T2.5: Distributions of signal candidate



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20

-0.8

-0.6

-0.4

-0.2

8 10 ZWR - ZWL

VP YW

35

30

25

20

15

4 YWR - YWL

count

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## DCBA-T2.5: Distributions of signal candidate



Duration: 8.38 x 10<sup>6</sup> sec Reconstruction efficiency: 9.3% Amount of <sup>100</sup>Mo: 0.03mol

> NEMO3 (Nucl. Phys. A 765(2006), 483-494)  $T_{\frac{1}{2}} = [7.41\pm0.02(stat.)\pm0.43(syst.)]x10^{18} yrs$

Expected number of signals: 52 events





#### DCBA-T2.5: Improvement of Simulation & Analysis



#### **Development is in progress**

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## Status of DCBA-T3



Test of the drift chamber using cosmic ray muon  $\rightarrow$  To be started soon

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## R&D towards MTD



## Summary

DCBA experiment is a unique double beta decay experiment:

- reconstruct momenta of two  $\beta$ -rays and the decay vertex
  - $\rightarrow$  full information of the decay is available

#### DCBA-T2.5 experiment

- <sup>100</sup>Mo (0.03mol) as source, non-stop operation using SC magnet
- Finished operation at July 2016 for DCBA-T3 upgrade
- Around 10% of data is analyzed
  - $\rightarrow$  signal candidate is about 10 times as much as expected
  - $\rightarrow$  understanding signal and background is in progress

#### DCBA-T3 experiment

- Assembling of drift chamber system is in progress
  - $\rightarrow$  cosmic ray test will be started soon

#### R&D toward MTD

- R&D of large area drift chamber is in progress

#### backup

# Energy resolution of DCBA-T2 (& T2.5)



#### Energy resolution: ~0.15 MeV (FWHM)

## Estimation of energy resolution by MC



## DCBA-T2.5: A 2vββ Signal Candidate





Vertex point E1 E2 Y 206.5mm 205.5mm Z 210.7mm 213.3mm

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



## Characteristics of the signal candidate

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![](_page_28_Figure_4.jpeg)

### Yet another signal candidate

![](_page_29_Figure_1.jpeg)

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Vertex point E1 E2 Y 127.4mm 131.8mm Z 91.3mm 97.6mm

#### A typical background event

![](_page_30_Figure_1.jpeg)

Background event of Double Compton scattering

- 1. Energy is too large
- $(^{100}Mo \rightarrow ^{100}Ru: Q-value=3.0MeV)$
- 2. Vertex point is inconsistent between two tracks

![](_page_30_Figure_6.jpeg)

## DCBA-T3

2005 DCBA

2007 DCBA-T2

2011 DCBA-T2.5

![](_page_31_Picture_4.jpeg)

#### 2017 MTD (tentative name)

- charge dividing
- 6 mm pitch wires (xy + xz)
- <sup>100</sup>Mo source (natural Mo 30g)
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#### MTD: R&D status

#### Drawing of MTD drift chambers and Gas Container

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Design study of the mechanical structure has been started

#### MTD: R&D status (cont'd)

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