

Prospects for Future Reactor ν Experiments

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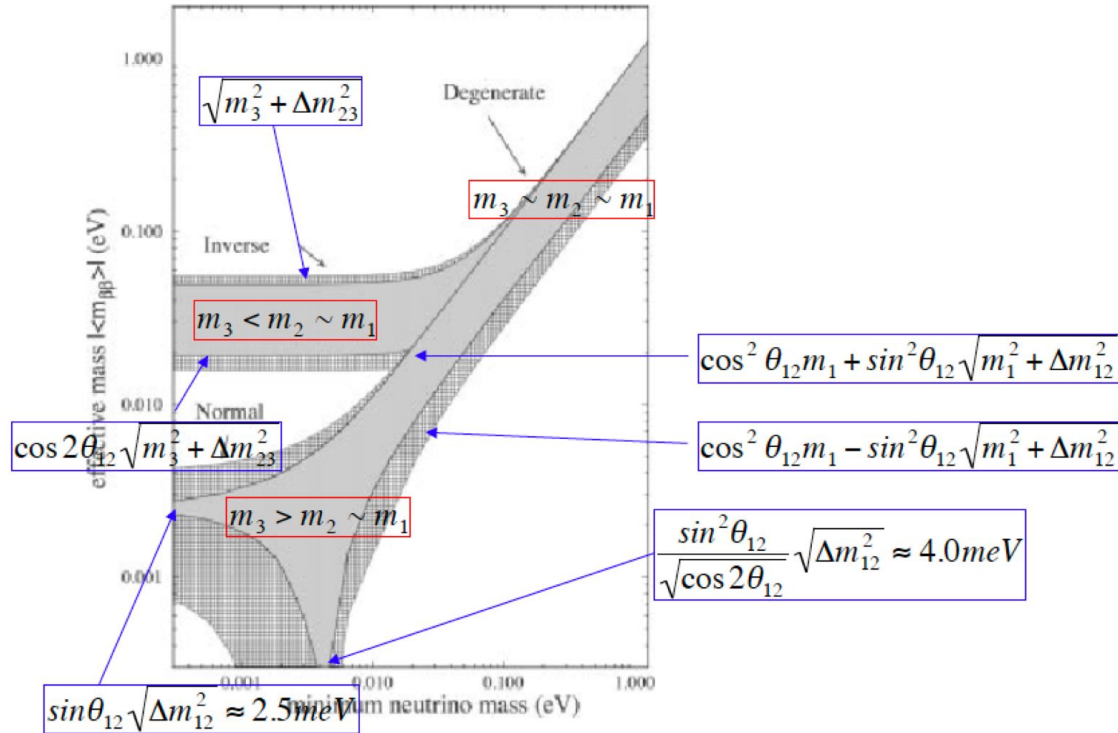
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Relation of ν Oscillation and $\beta\beta$ decay

* Now: Oscillation parameters limit the $\beta\beta$ decay parameters and give



* Future: Oscillation parameters + $\beta\beta$ decay parameters
=determine ν flavor transition amplitudes

Issues for ν oscillation & solving methods

4 still unknowns

- (1) $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$
- (2) Mass Hierarchy
- (3) θ_{23} degeneracy
- (4) CP violating δ

Available information

- (1) $\nu_{\mu} \Rightarrow \nu_e$
(accelerator)
- (2) $\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \Rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$
(accelerator)
- (3) Matter effect
(accelerator)

Construction (\$
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+ $\nu = \$\$$

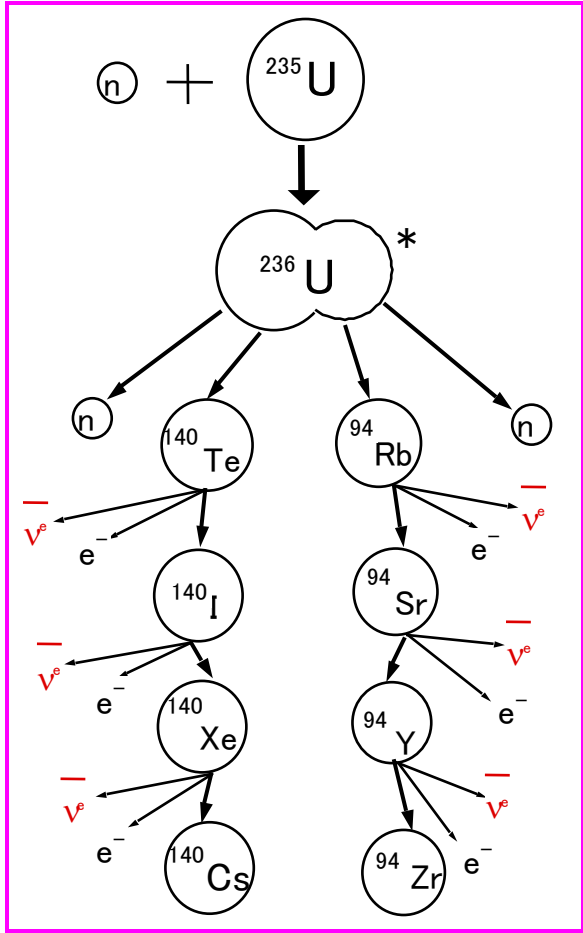
Construction (\$
\$)
 $\nu = \text{free}$

Reactor ν experiments are cost-effective way to get important information.

- (4) $\nu_{\mu} \Rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$
(accelerator)
- (5) $\nu_e \Rightarrow \nu_e$ (reactor)

- (6) Solar, Atmospheric

Reactor neutrino



$\bar{\nu}$ are produced in β -decays of fission products.

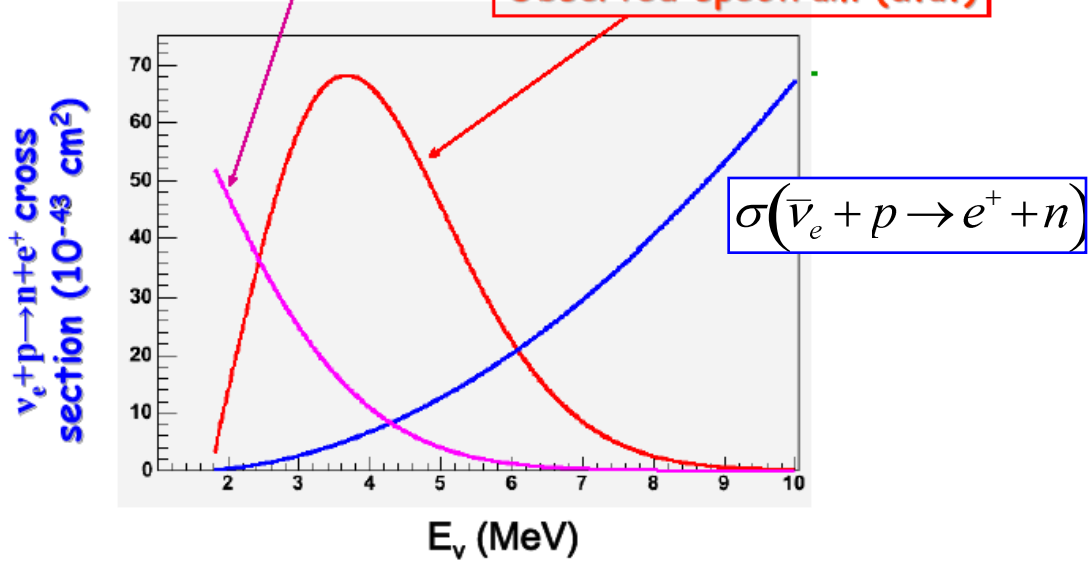
$$\sim 6 \times 10^{20} \bar{\nu}_e / s / reactor$$

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The $\bar{\nu}_e$ energy spectrum

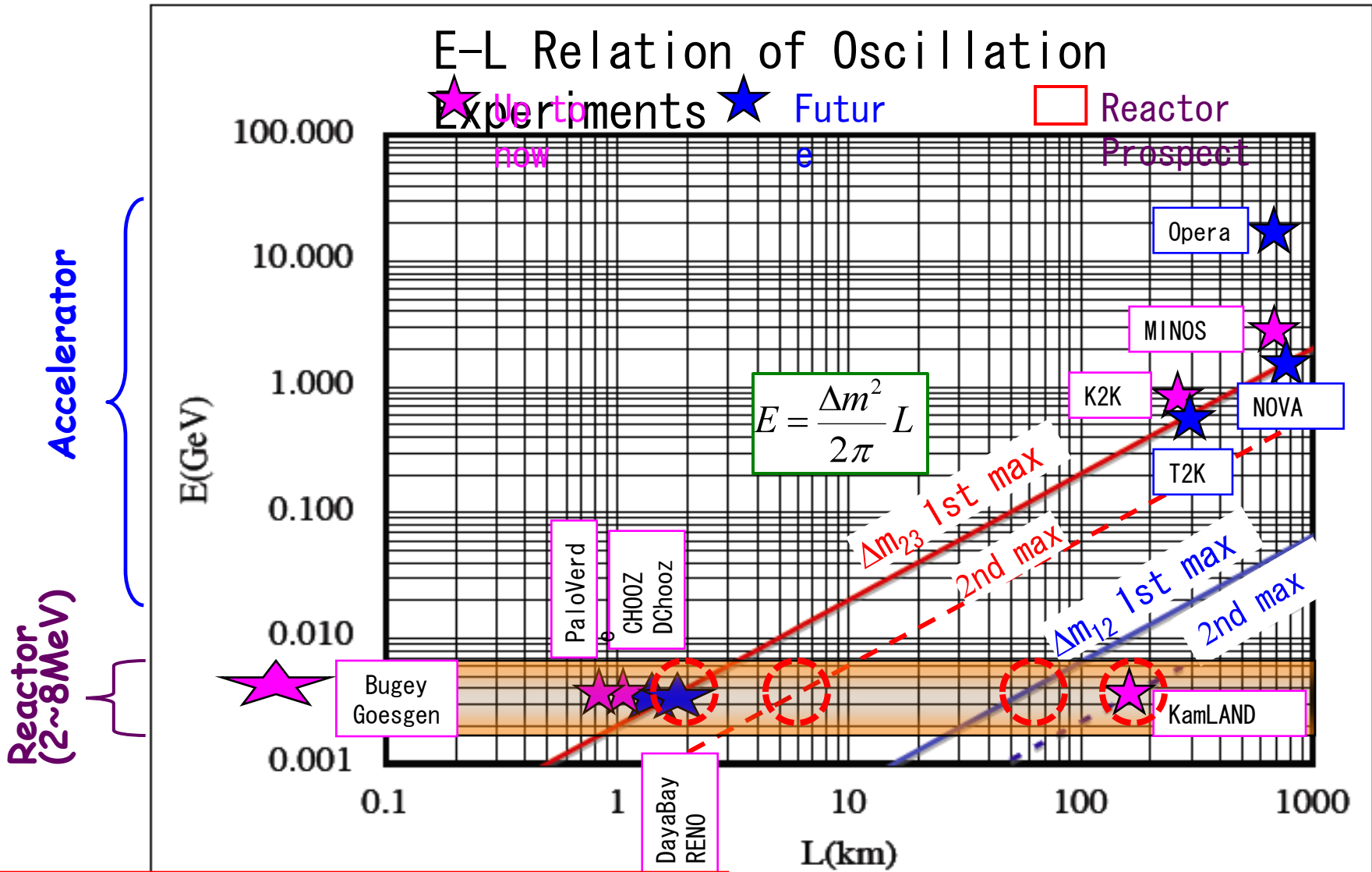
Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ spectrum (a.u.)

Observed spectrum (a.u.)



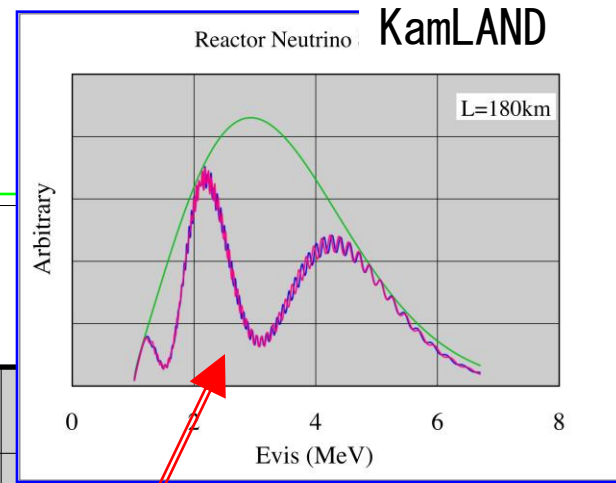
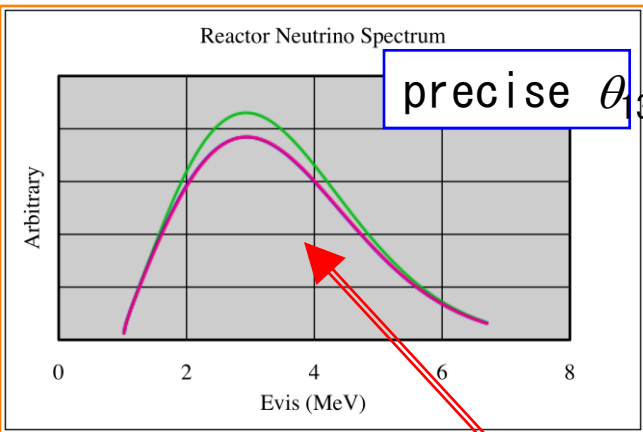
$$E_{\nu} \sim 4^{+4}_{-2} \text{ MeV}$$

Accessible Oscillations by Reactor ν



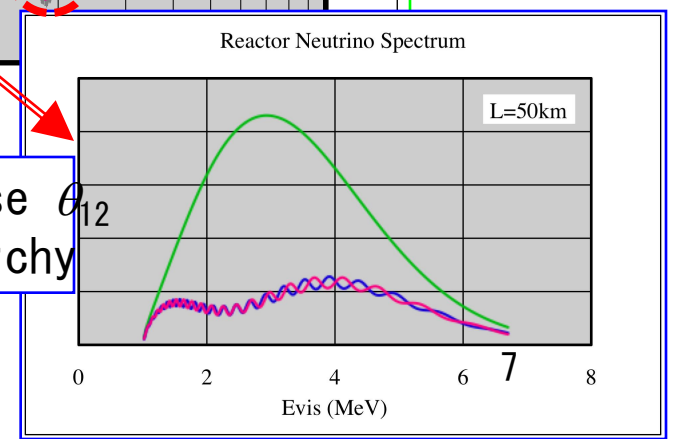
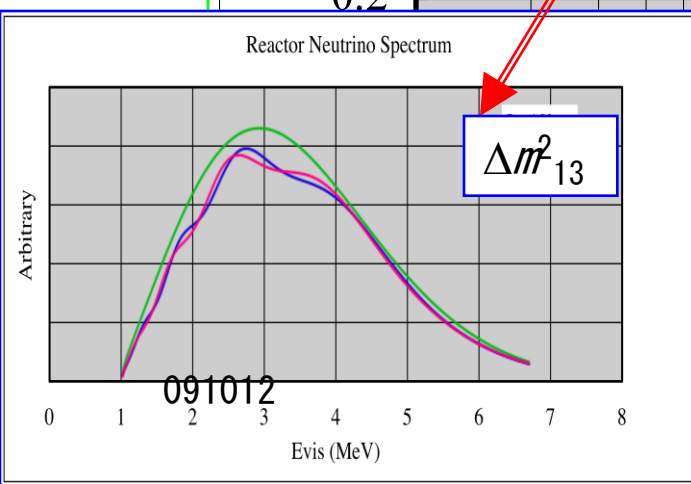
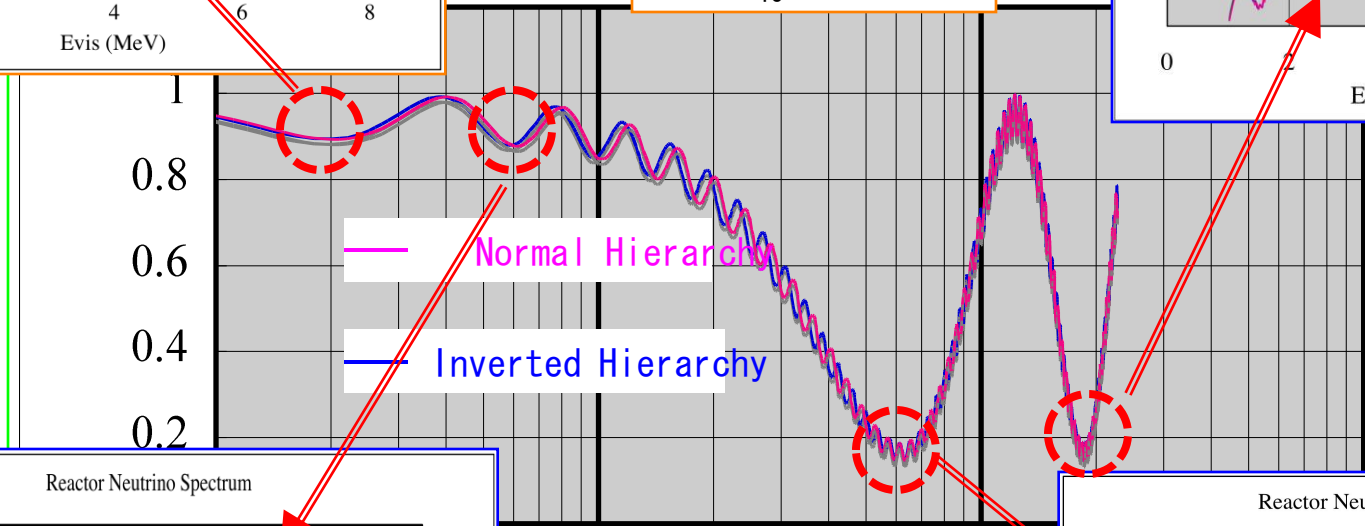
Both Oscillations can be accessible

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21} - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} (\cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32})$$



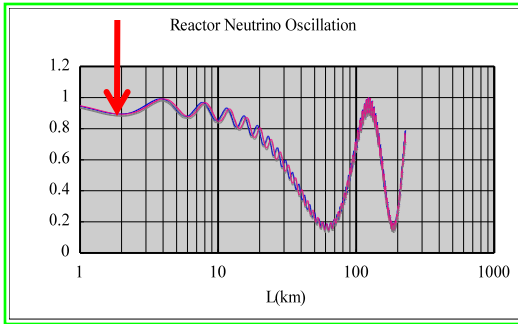
Reactor Neutrino Oscillation

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$ assumed



Very precise θ_{12}
Mass Hierarchy

Physics @ 1st Δm^2_{13} Maximum ($L \sim 1.5\text{km}$) ; θ_{13}



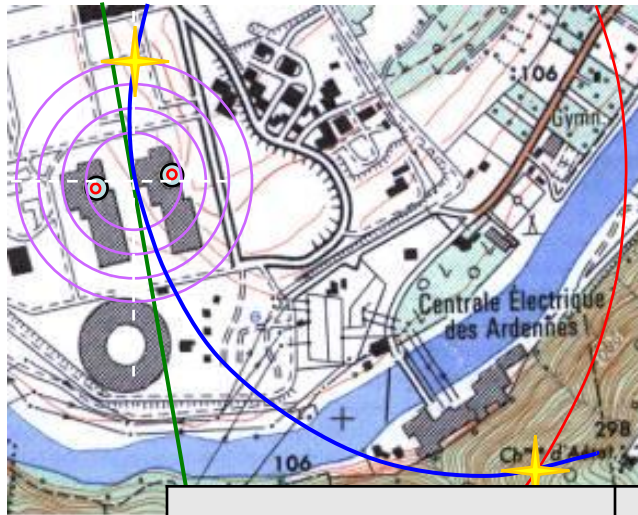
$$P_R(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{31}$$

Future ν experiments strongly depends on θ_{13}
 Precise measurement of θ_{13} is very important.

Parameter	Measurement Method
δ_{CP}	$[P_A(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) - P_A(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)]_{@ \Delta_{23}} \sim 0.1 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$ $P_A(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)_{@ \Delta_{23}} \sim 0.5 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \pm 0.05 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$
θ_{23} degeneracy	$[P_A(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P_A(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)]_{@ \Delta_{23}} \sim 2 \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$
Mass Hierarchy	$[P_A(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e; L) + P_A(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e; L')]_{@ \Delta_{23}} \sim \text{sign}(\Delta m^2_{23})(L' - L) \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ $P_R(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)_{@ \Delta_{12}} \sim 1 - 0.5 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} (\sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \tan^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32})$

DoubleChooz, Dayabay, RENO

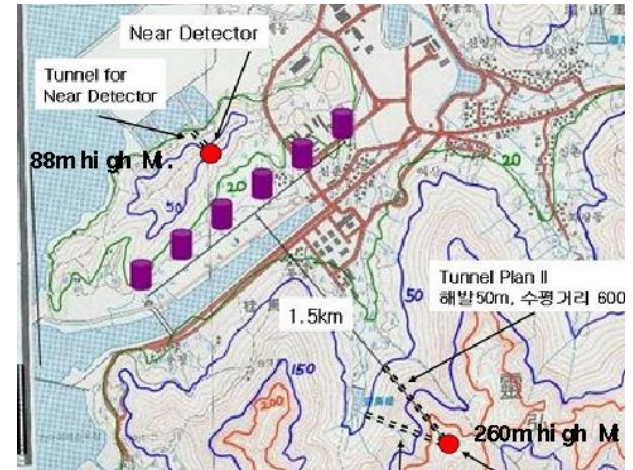
Double Chooz



Daya Bay



RENO



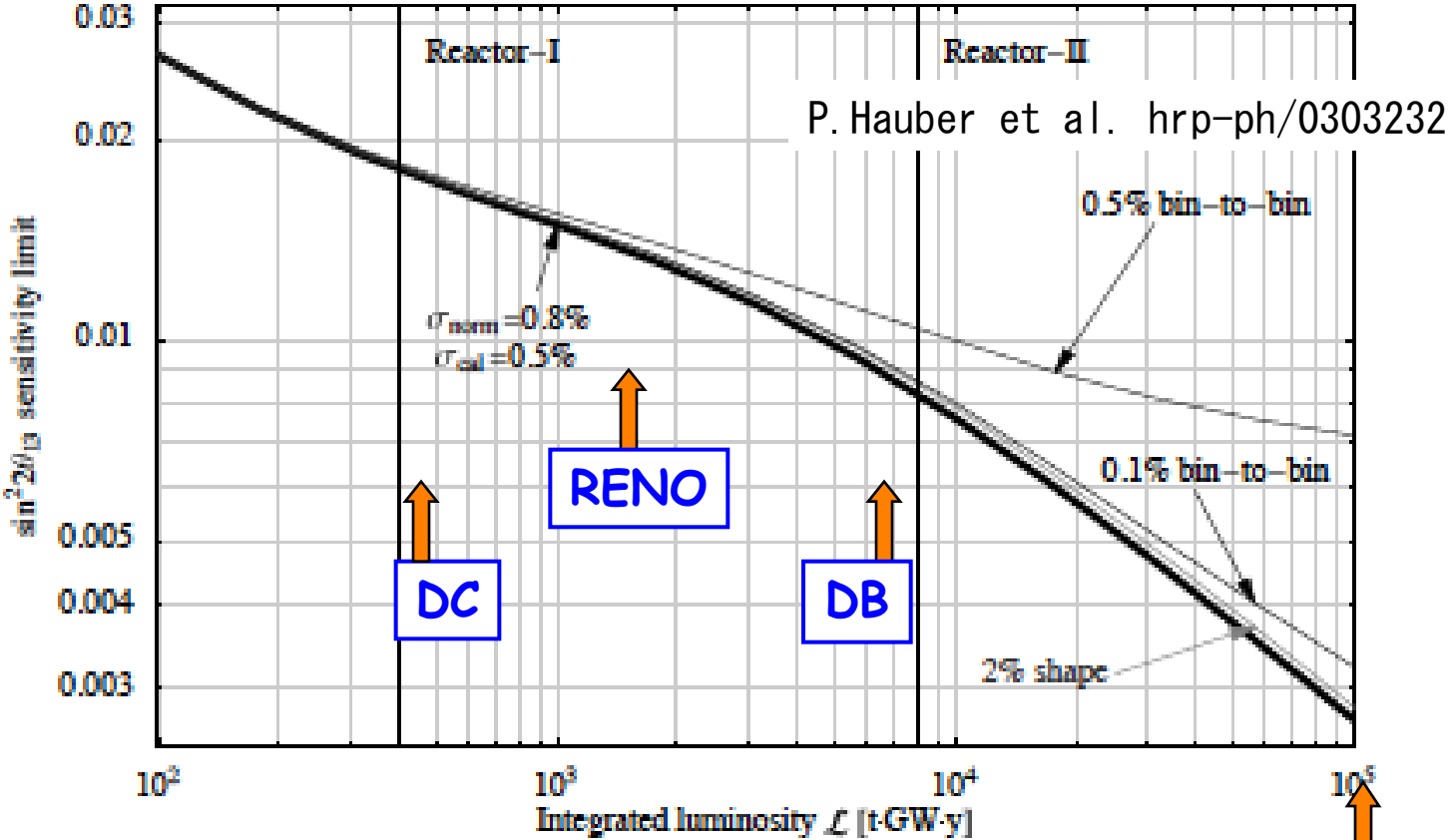
	Double Chooz	Dayabay	RENO
Power (GWth)	8.6GW	11.6GWth (17.4GW>2011)	16.4GW
Detector (ton)	8+8	20x4+2 (20x2)	16+2
Baseline (km)	1.05	1.8	1.4
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ Sensitivity	~ 0.03	~ 0.01	~ 0.02
Operation start	2010F/2011N	2010N/2011F	2010

Results: within 2~5 years

3rd Generation; More Precise θ_{13}

For higher statistics, θ_{13} can be measured by energy spectrum distortion and $\delta \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.01$ is possible

Luminosity Scaling



Complementarity of Reactor-Accelerator θ_{13} measurement

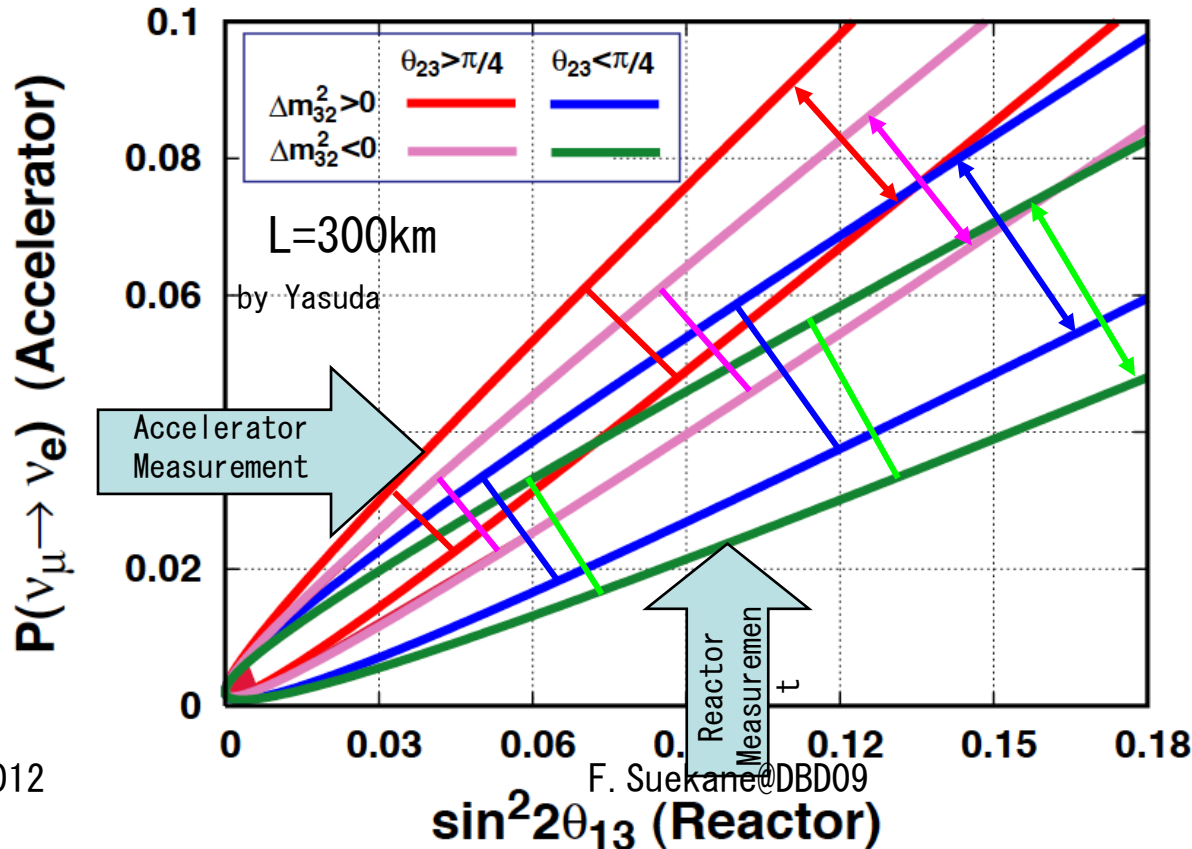
θ_{23} degeneracy ↘

$$P_{AC}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \frac{0.50 \pm 0.11}{(1 \mp 0.00017 L [km])^2} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \pm 0.045 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$$

Matter effect ↗

$\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 0.95$

δ dependence



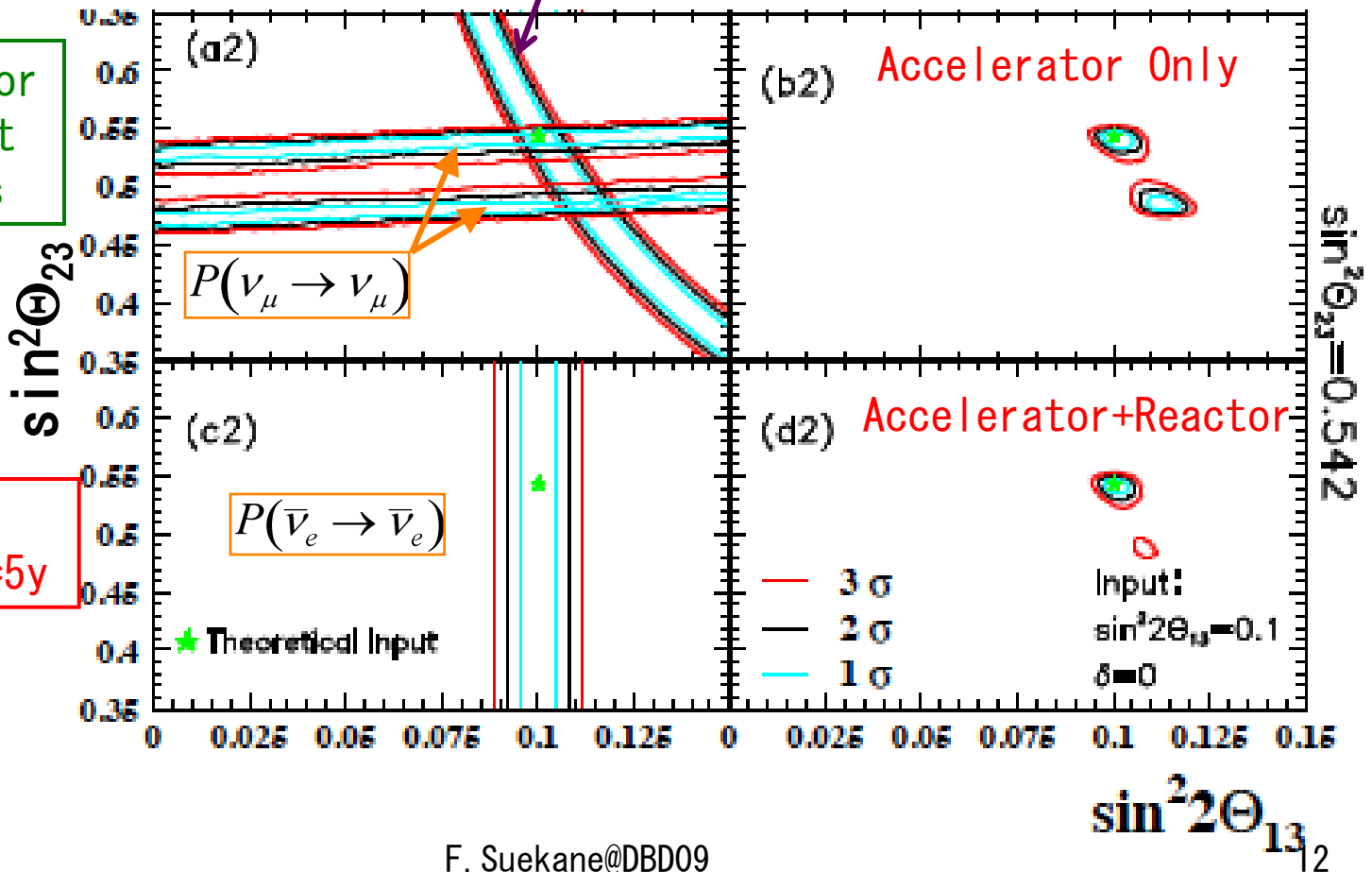
Settlement of θ_{23} Degeneracy

$$\sin^2 \theta_{23} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{23}}}{2}$$

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$$

K. Hiraide, et al. PRD73, 093008 (2006)

Accelerator
4MW*0.54Mt
2+6years



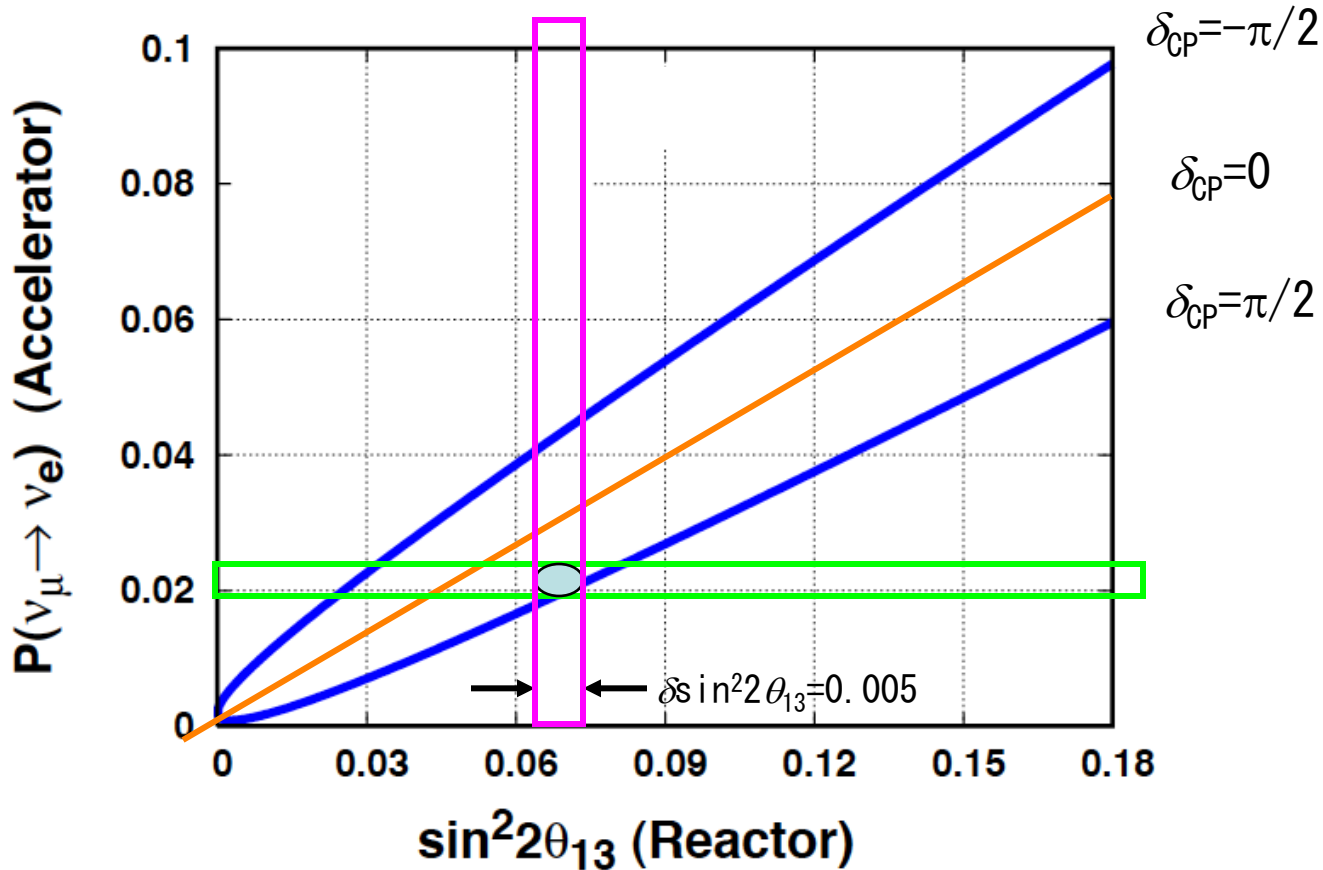
Reactor:
100t * 20GW * 5y

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$$

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$$

* Theoretical Input

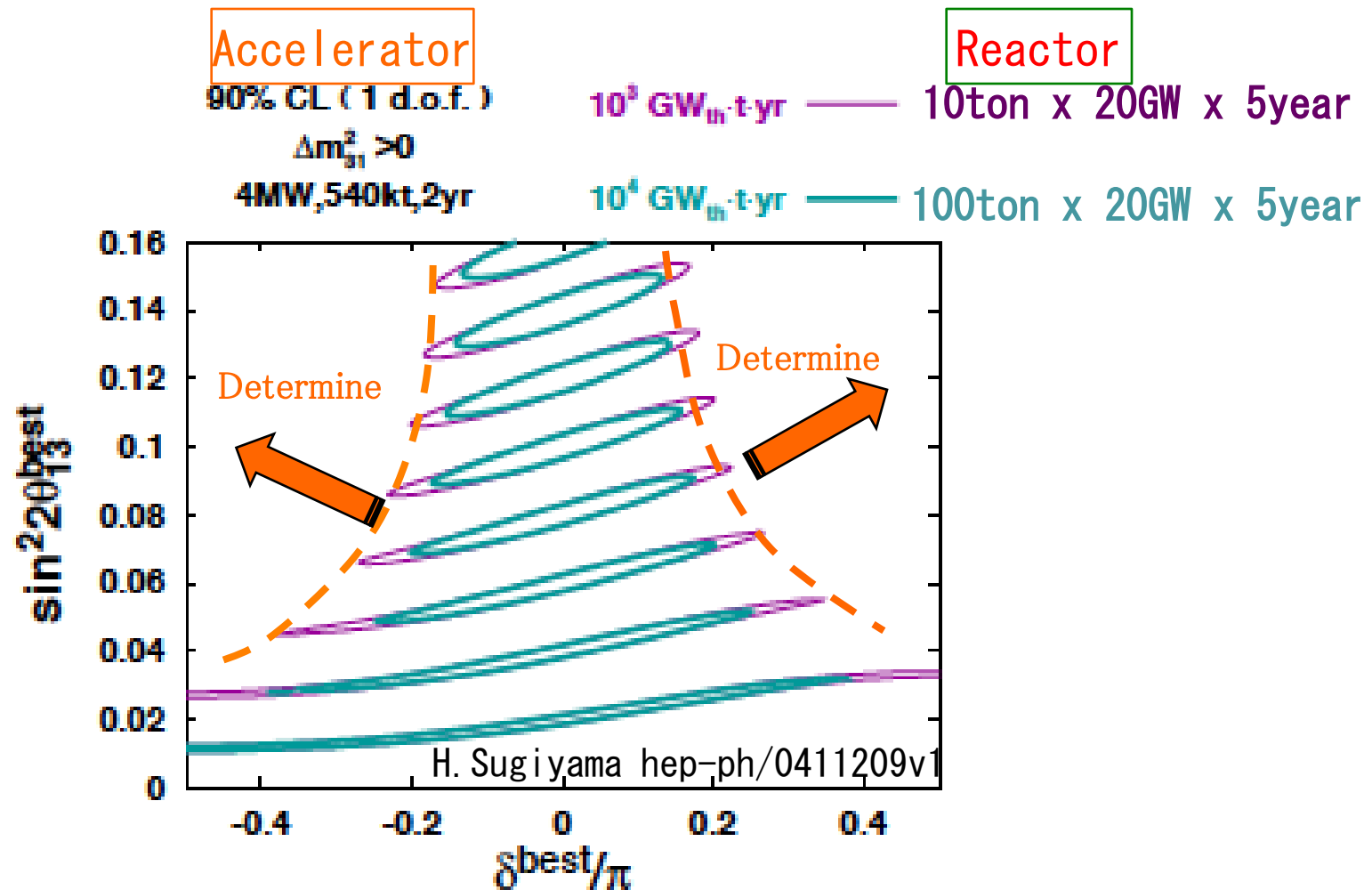
Quick Access to δ_{CP}



If θ_{23} degeneracy and Mass Hierarchy are solved, only δ remains to be determined.

Combination of high precision Reactor- θ_{13} and Accelerator ν_e appearance may determine non-0 δ before anti-neutrino mode operation.

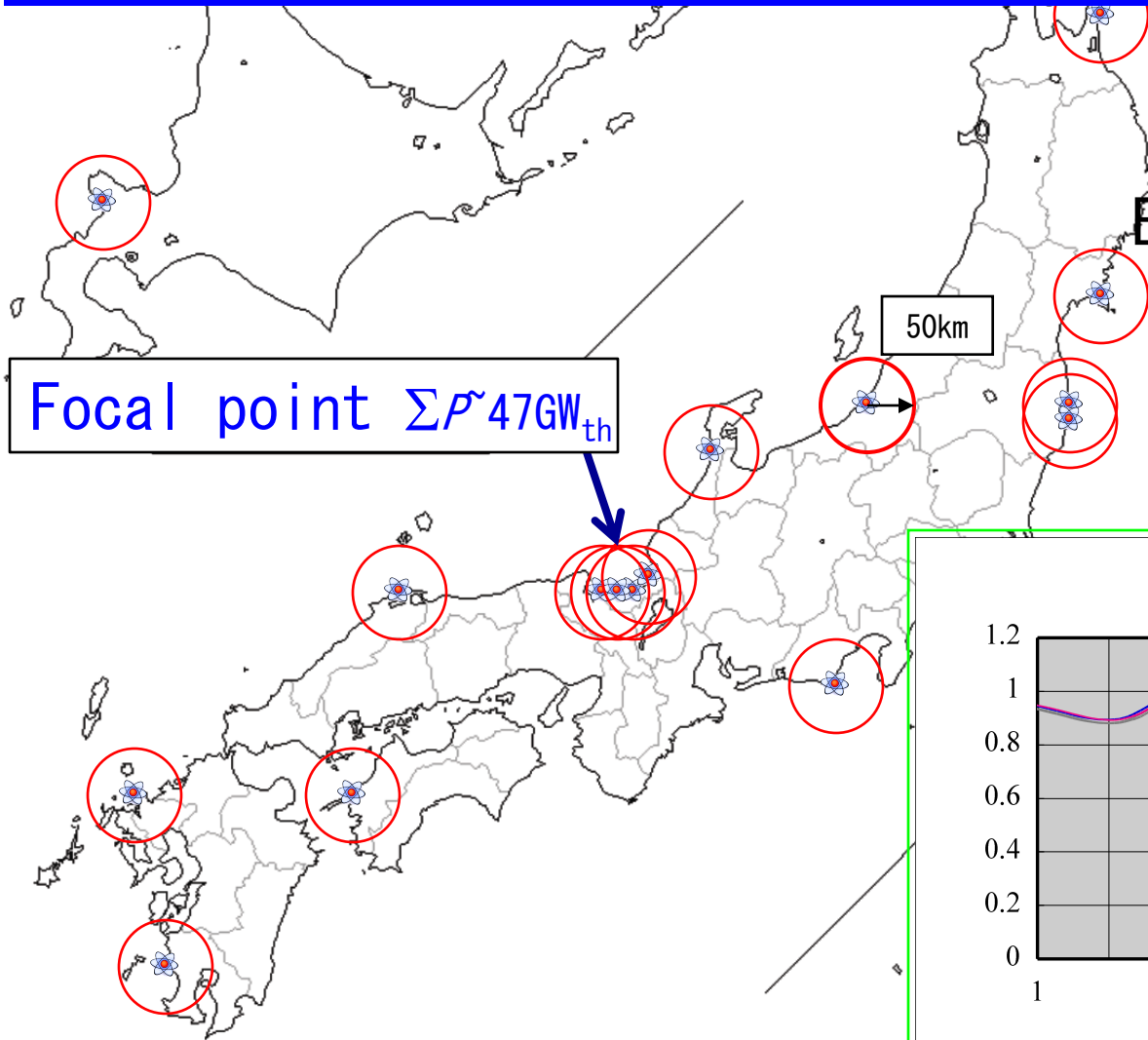
Parameter region to determine non-0 δ



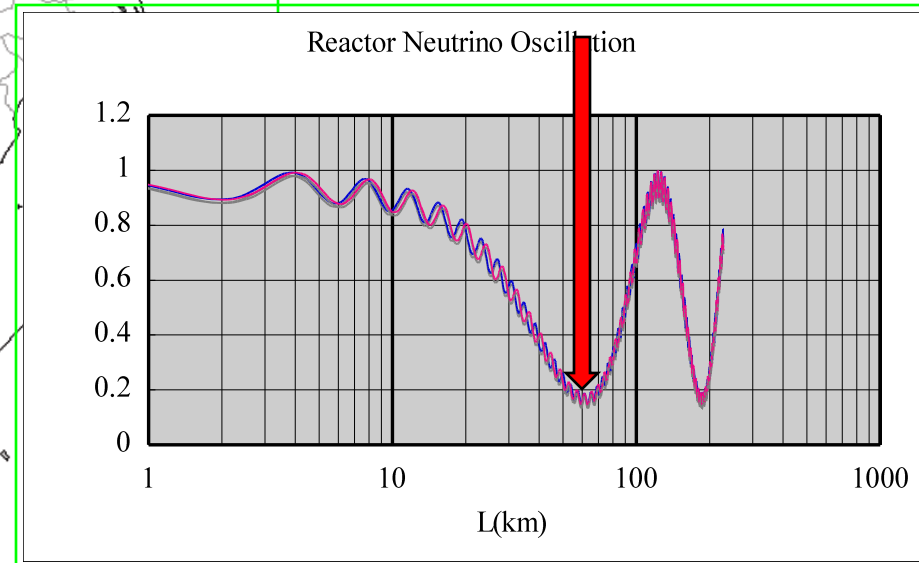
If $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 0.05$ there is a possibility to determine non-0 δ

Physics @ 1st Δm^2_{12} Maximum ($L \sim 50\text{km}$)

(Very Precise θ_{12} & Mass Hierarchy)

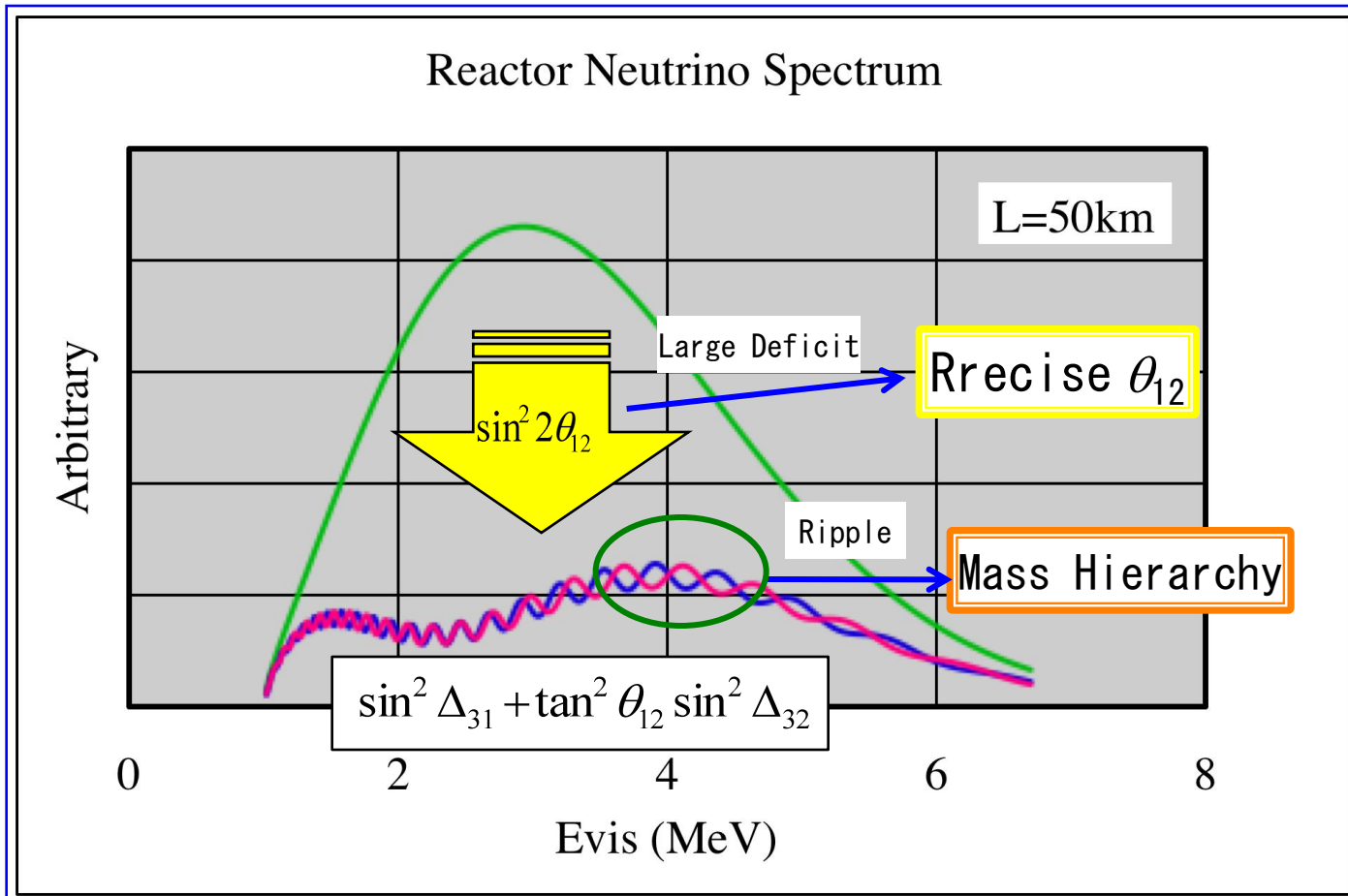


Example of Japan case



Physics @ 1st Δm^2_{12} Maximum

$$P_R(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21} \\ + \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cos^2 \theta_{12} (\sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \tan^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32}) \end{array} \right\}$$



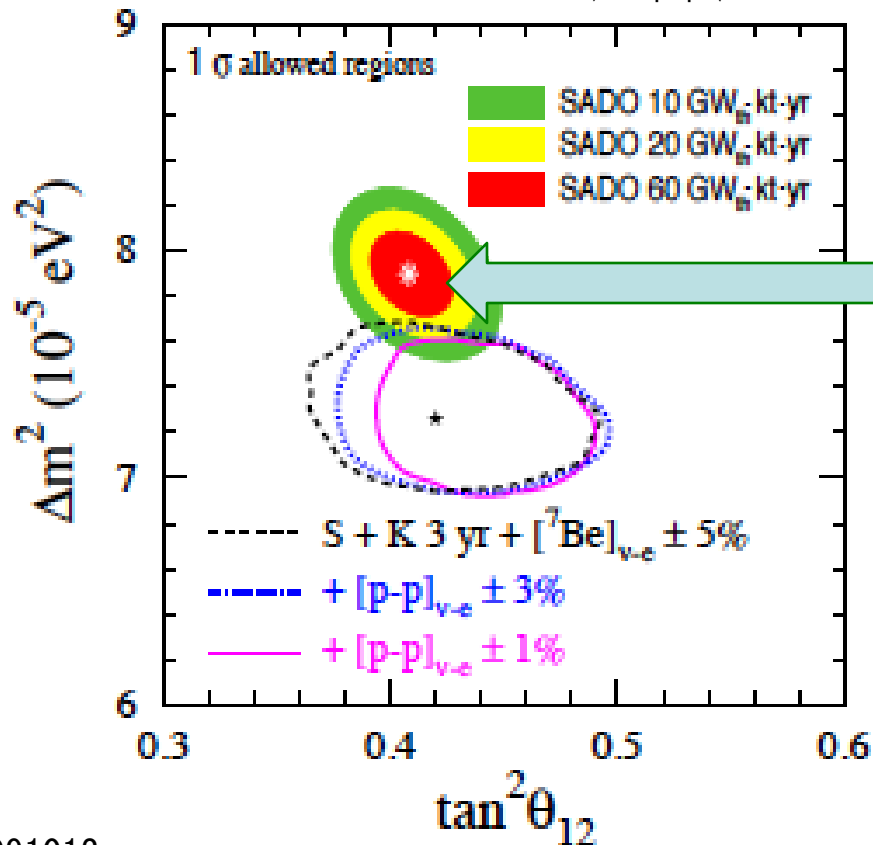
Precise θ_{12} measurement by large deficit

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \sim \cos^4 \theta_{13} \left(1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21} \right)$$

$$\sim 0.7$$

(~ 0.4 in KamLAND)

H. Minakata, hep-ph/07-1070



1kton x25GW x2.5y

$$\frac{\delta \sin^2 \theta_{12}}{\sin^2 \theta_{12}} \sim 2.4\% (1\sigma)$$

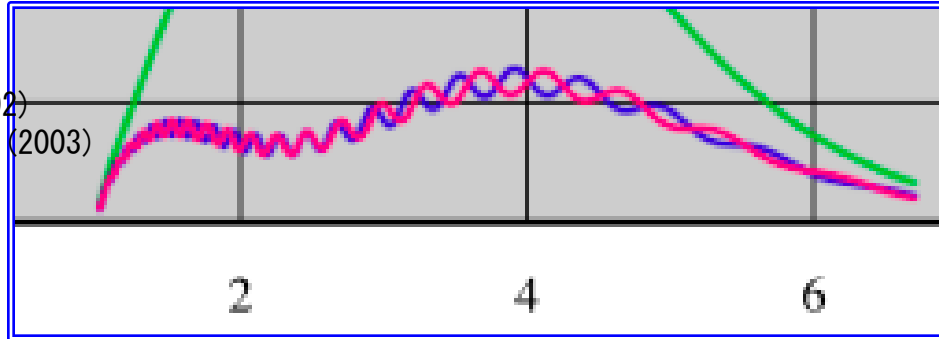
Current Global fit

$$\frac{\delta \sin^2 \theta_{12}}{\sin^2 \theta_{12}} \sim 6.3\% (1\sigma)$$

Determination of Mass Hierarchy@50km

Principle

Petcov et al., Phys. Lett. B 533, 94 (2002)
 S. Choubey et al., Phys. Rev. D 68, 113006 (2003)
 J. Learned et al., hep-ex/062022
 L. Zhan et al., hep-ex/0807.3203
 M. Batygov et al., hep-ex/0810.2508

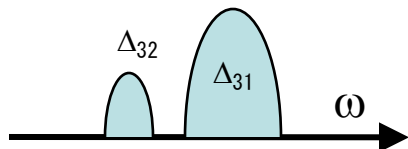


$$\text{Ripple} \propto \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \left(\sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \tan^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32} \right)$$

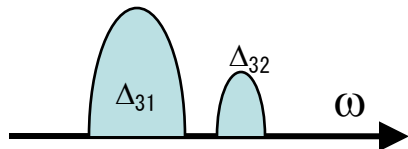
It is essential that θ_{12} is not maximum ($\tan^2 \theta_{12} \sim 0.4$)

Fourier Analysis \Rightarrow Power Spectrum Peaks at $\omega = |\Delta m_{31}^2|, |\Delta m_{32}^2|$

The smaller peak is $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$ and larger peak is $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$



$$\Rightarrow \omega_{\Delta m_{31}^2} > \omega_{\Delta m_{32}^2} \quad : \text{Normal Hierarchy}$$



$$\Rightarrow \omega_{\Delta m_{31}^2} < \omega_{\Delta m_{32}^2} \quad : \text{Inverted Hierarchy}$$

J. Learned et al. arXive-0612000

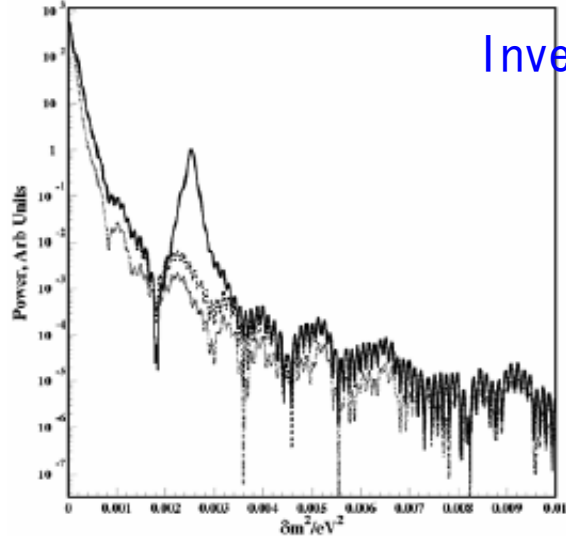
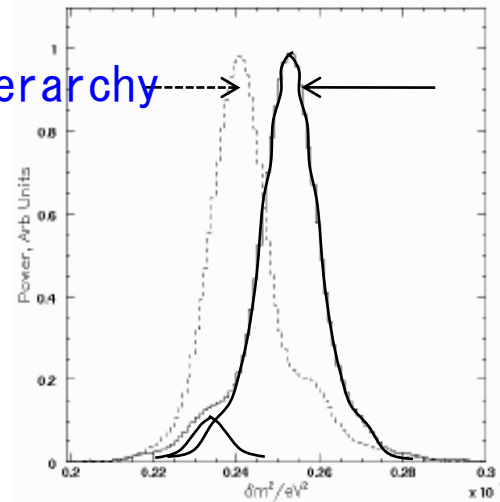


FIG. 2: Fourier power spectrum with modulation in units of eV^2 and power in arbitrary units on the logarithmic scale. The peak due to Δ_{31} with $\sin^2(2\theta_{13})=0.1$ is prominent.

Inverted Hierarchy



Normal Hierarchy

FIG. 3: Neutrino mass hierarchy (normal=solid; inverted=dashed) is determined by the position of the small shoulder on the main peak.

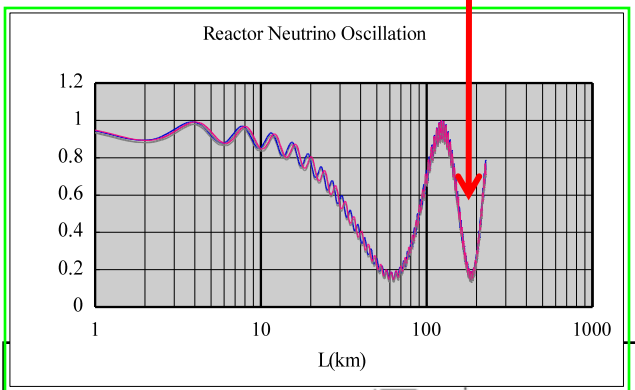
Simulation of power spectrum

If $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}=0.05$, **3kton x24GW x 5 yr**,

Mass Hierarchy can be determined with 1σ significance.

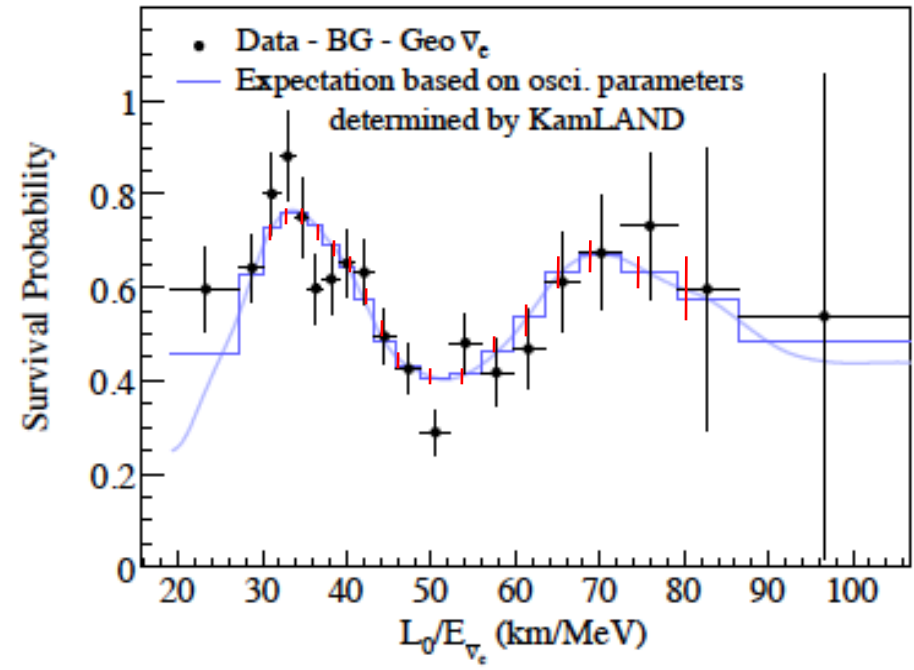
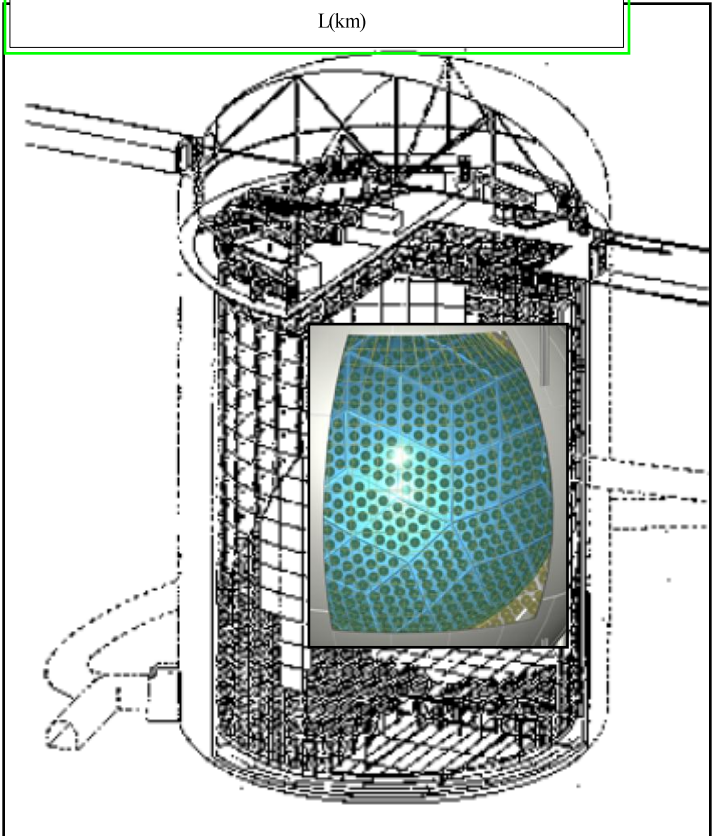
L. Zhan et al. => Mass Hierarchy could be determined if $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 0.0$

Physics @ Δm^2_{12} 2nd Maximum(L~150km)



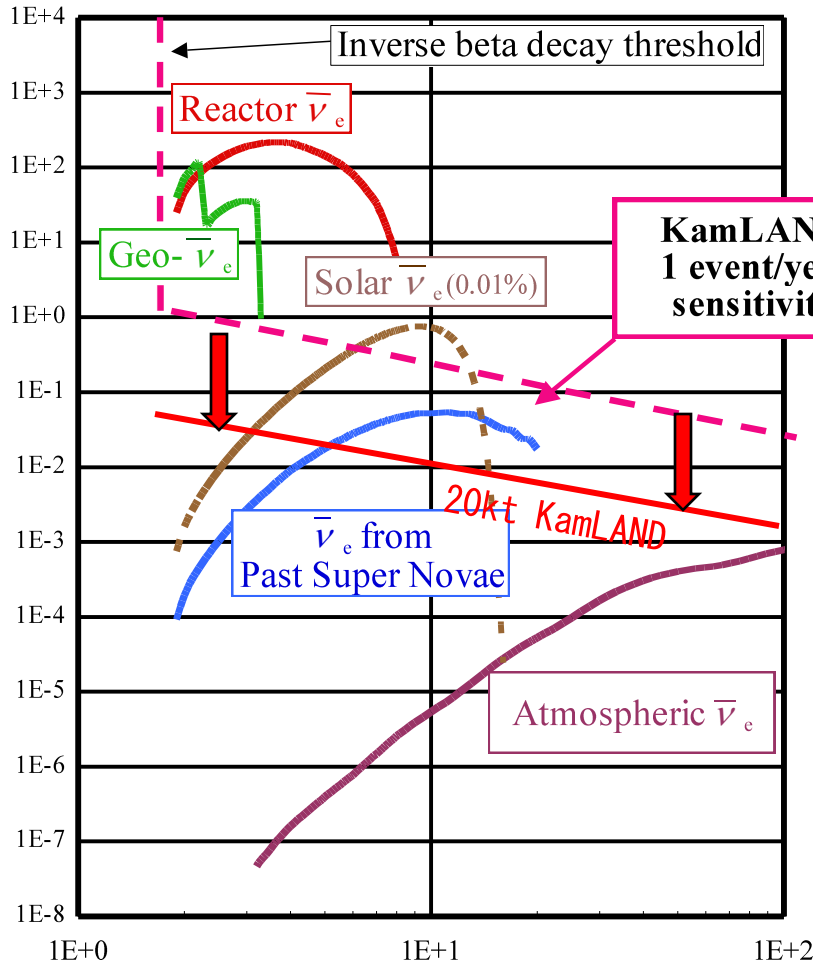
If KamLAND is enlarged to SK size,

>20 times more statistics than KamLAND

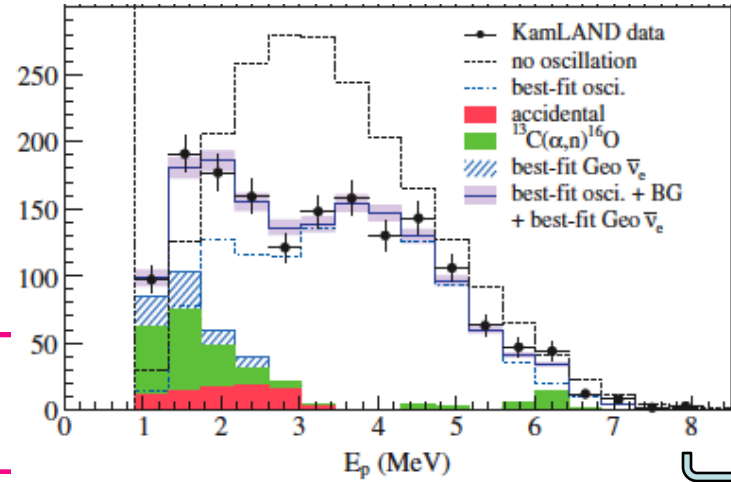


$$f_\nu(E_\nu) \times \sigma_{\bar{\nu}_p \rightarrow e^+ n}(E_\nu)$$

Electron Antineutrino Event Rate at Kamioka



Antineutrino Energy (MeV)



No Backgrounds >8MeV

KamLAND detects any $\bar{\nu}_e$ with $E > 1.8 \text{ MeV}$

20Kton KamLAND pushes the limit 20 times better and may reach Relic $\text{SI } \bar{\nu}_e$.

Summary

= Current =

θ_{13} : DoubleChooz, RENO, Dayabay are going to start in 2010.
 $\delta \sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.01 \sim 0.03$ within a few years.

= Future =

* $L \sim 1.8\text{km}$, High Precision θ_{13} ;

$M \sim 100\text{ton} \times 24\text{GW}_{\text{th}} \Rightarrow \delta \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.01$

→ θ_{23} Degeneracy solution with accelerator

→ early $\sin\delta$ detection with accelerator

* $L=50\text{km}$, $M \sim 3\text{Kton} \times 24\text{GW}_{\text{th}}$,

→ High Precision θ_{12} ;

→ Mass hierarchy determination

* $L=180\text{km}$ 20Kton KamLAND???

It is important to discuss about the future strategy taking into account
reactor-accelerator complementarity after the 1st phase θ_{13} measurement

Back up slides

Merit & Issues of this method.

* Need not to know absolute m_{23} so precisely.
It is enough only to separate two peak positions.

* However, a good energy resolution: $\frac{\delta E}{E} \sim \frac{3\%}{\sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}}$

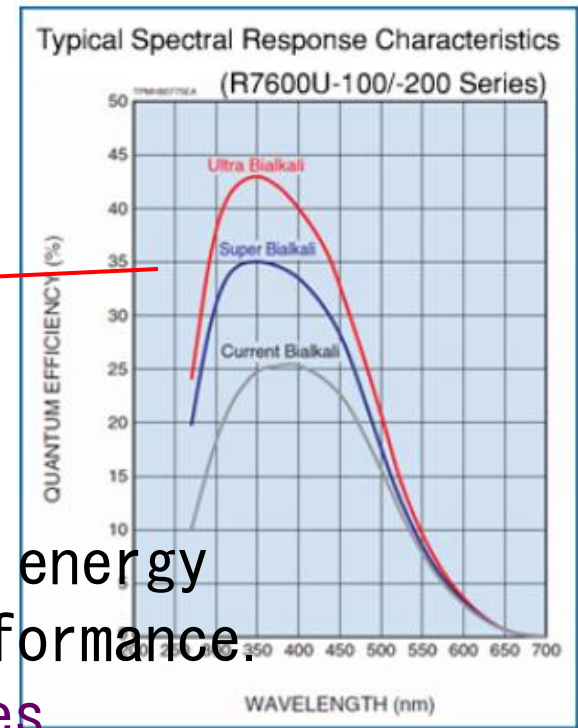
Borexino case $\frac{\delta E}{E} \sim \frac{5\%}{\sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}}$

improvement of light yield:
x1.5 more PMT
x1.8 with UltraBialkali photocathode

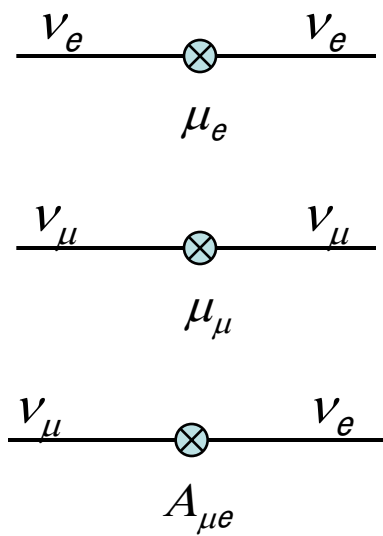
$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta E}{E} = \frac{3\%}{\sqrt{E(\text{MeV})}}$ can be achieved

* Energy smearing due to recoil neutron energy & baseline difference may degrade performance.

\Rightarrow Need more studies for specific sites



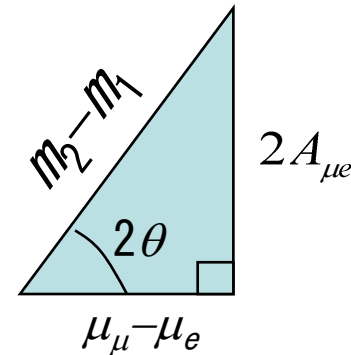
Relation of mass, mixing & transition amplitudes



$$\begin{cases} m_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\mu_\mu + \mu_e - \sqrt{(\mu_\mu - \mu_e)^2 + 4A_{\mu e}^2} \right) \\ m_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\mu_\mu + \mu_e + \sqrt{(\mu_\mu - \mu_e)^2 + 4A_{\mu e}^2} \right) \end{cases}$$

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{2A_{\mu e}}{\mu_\mu - \mu_e}$$

$$\Delta m^2 = (\mu_\mu + \mu_e) \sqrt{(\mu_\mu - \mu_e)^2 + 4A_{\mu e}^2}$$



$$P_{Accel}(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e) \oplus P_{Accel}(\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \oplus P_{Reactor}(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$$

Reactor θ_{13} helps to pin down parameters

