

Neutrino Physics: Aspects on Neutrino (Mass-) and Mixing

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Neutrino Oscillations (12)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu\tau}$ Oscillations

Solar neutrinos & Reactor neutrinos

Solar Neutrinos



$$T_{\text{central}} = 15\text{E}6 \text{ K}$$

$$6.5\text{E}10 \nu_e/\text{cm}^2\text{s}$$

Solarkonstante $8.5\text{E}11 \text{ MeV}/\text{cm}^2\text{s}$



Energy production in stars

Hans Bethe 1939 (Nobel prize 1967)

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Energy Production in Stars*

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(Received September 7, 1938)

It is shown that the most important source of energy in ordinary stars is the reactions of carbon and nitrogen with protons. These reactions form a cycle in which the original nucleus is reproduced, viz. $C^{12} + H = N^{13}$, $N^{13} = C^{13} + \epsilon^+$, $C^{13} + H = N^{14}$, $N^{14} + H = O^{15}$, $O^{15} = N^{15} + \epsilon^+$, $N^{15} + H = C^{12} + He^4$. Thus carbon and nitrogen merely serve as catalysts for the combination of four protons (and two electrons) into an α -particle (§7).

The carbon-nitrogen reactions are unique in their cyclical character (§8). For all nuclei lighter than carbon, reaction with protons will lead to the emission of an α -particle so that the original nucleus is permanently destroyed. For all nuclei heavier than fluorine, only radiative capture of the protons occurs, also destroying the original nucleus. Oxygen and fluorine reactions mostly lead back to nitrogen. Besides, these heavier nuclei react much more slowly than C and N and are therefore unimportant for the energy production.

The agreement of the carbon-nitrogen reactions with observational data (§7, 9) is excellent. In order to give the correct energy evolution in the sun, the central temperature of the sun would have to be 18.5 million degrees while

integration of the Eddington equations gives 19. For the brilliant star Y Cygni the corresponding figures are 30 and 32. This good agreement holds for all bright stars of the main sequence, but, of course, not for giants.

For fainter stars, with lower central temperatures, the reaction $H + H = D + \epsilon^+$ and the reactions following it, are believed to be mainly responsible for the energy production. (§10)

It is shown further (§5-6) that no elements heavier than He^4 can be built up in ordinary stars. This is due to the fact, mentioned above, that all elements up to boron are disintegrated by proton bombardment (α -emission!) rather than built up (by radiative capture). The instability of Be^8 reduces the formation of heavier elements still further. The production of neutrons in stars is likewise negligible. The heavier elements found in stars must therefore have existed already when the star was formed.

Finally, the suggested mechanism of energy production is used to draw conclusions about astrophysical problems, such as the mass-luminosity relation (§10), the stability against temperature changes (§11), and stellar evolution (§12).

§1. INTRODUCTION

THE progress of nuclear physics in the last few years makes it possible to decide rather definitely which processes can and which cannot occur in the interior of stars. Such decisions will be attempted in the present paper, the discussion being restricted primarily to main sequence stars. The results will be at variance with some current hypotheses.

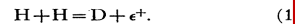
The first main result is that, under present conditions, no elements heavier than helium can be built up to any appreciable extent. Therefore we must assume that the heavier elements were built up *before* the stars reached their present state of temperature and density. No attempt will be made at speculations about this previous state of stellar matter.

The energy production of stars is then due entirely to the combination of four protons and two electrons into an α -particle. This simplifies the discussion of stellar evolution inasmuch as

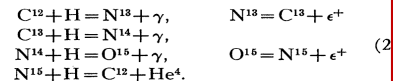
* Awarded an A. Cressy Morrison Prize in 1938, by the New York Academy of Sciences.

the amount of heavy matter, and therefore the opacity, does not change with time.

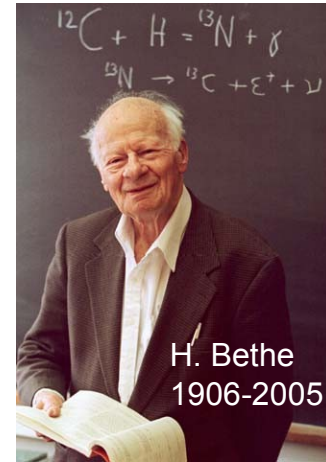
The combination of four protons and two electrons can occur essentially only in two ways. The first mechanism starts with the combination of two protons to form a deuteron with positron emission, viz.



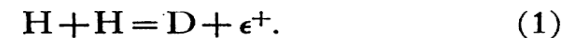
The deuteron is then transformed into He^4 by further capture of protons; these captures occur very rapidly compared with process (1). The second mechanism uses carbon and nitrogen as catalysts, according to the chain reaction



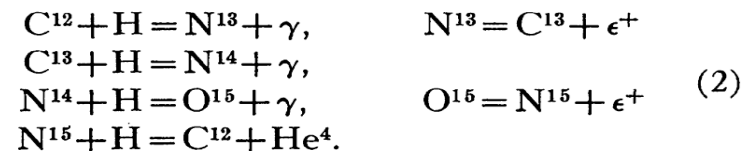
The catalyst C^{12} is reproduced in all cases except about one in 10,000, therefore the abundance of carbon and nitrogen remains practically unchanged (in comparison with the change of the number of protons). The two reactions (1) and



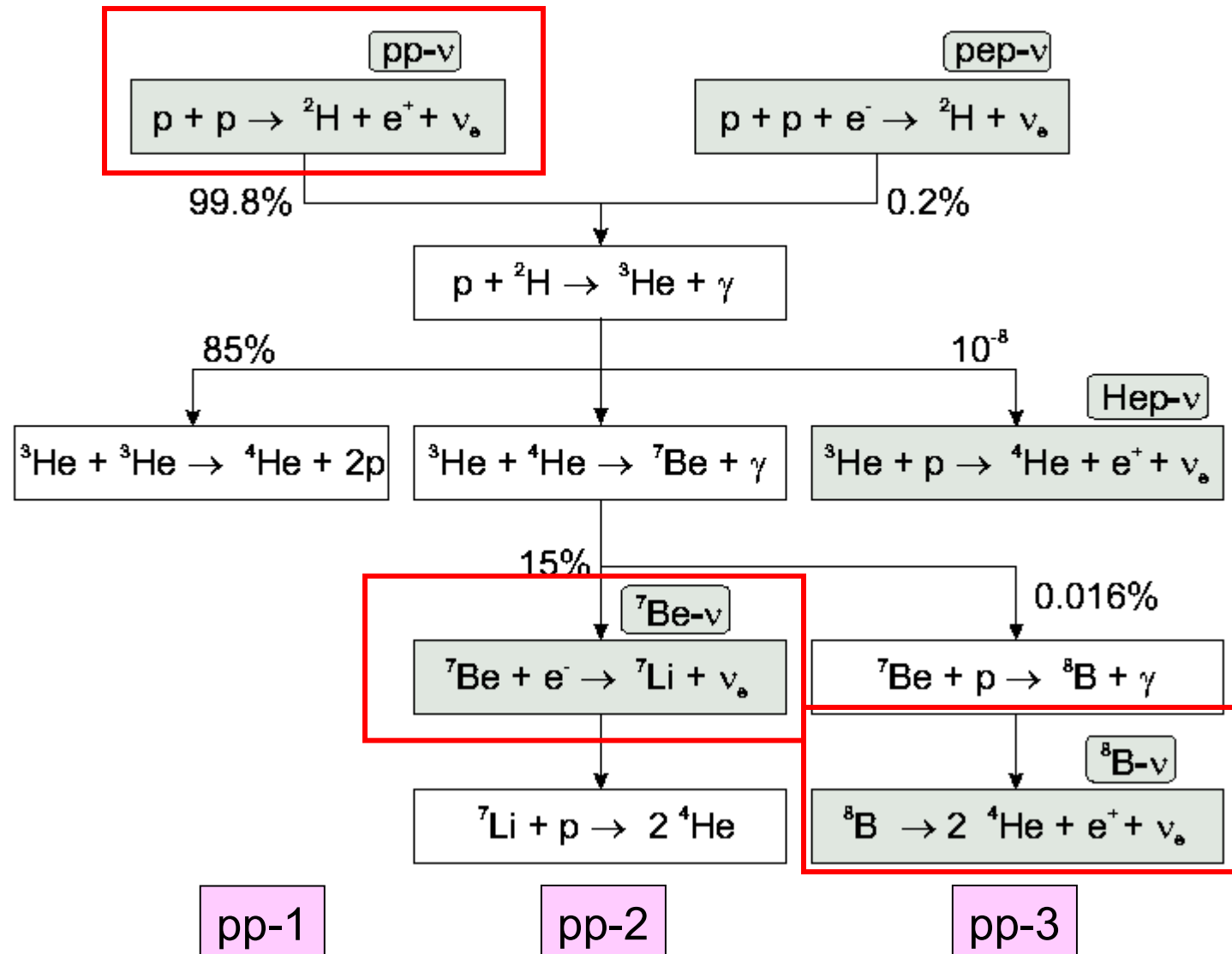
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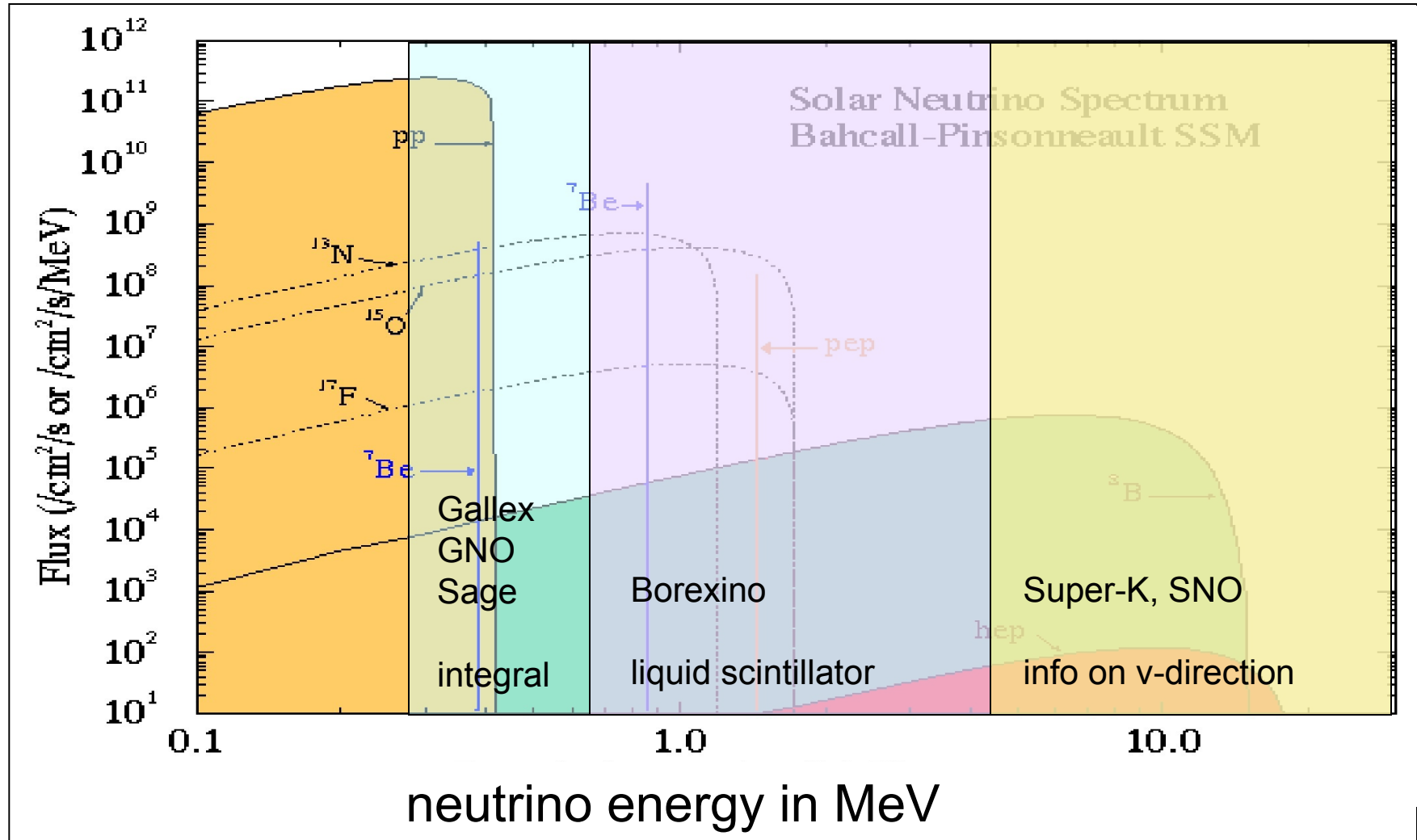
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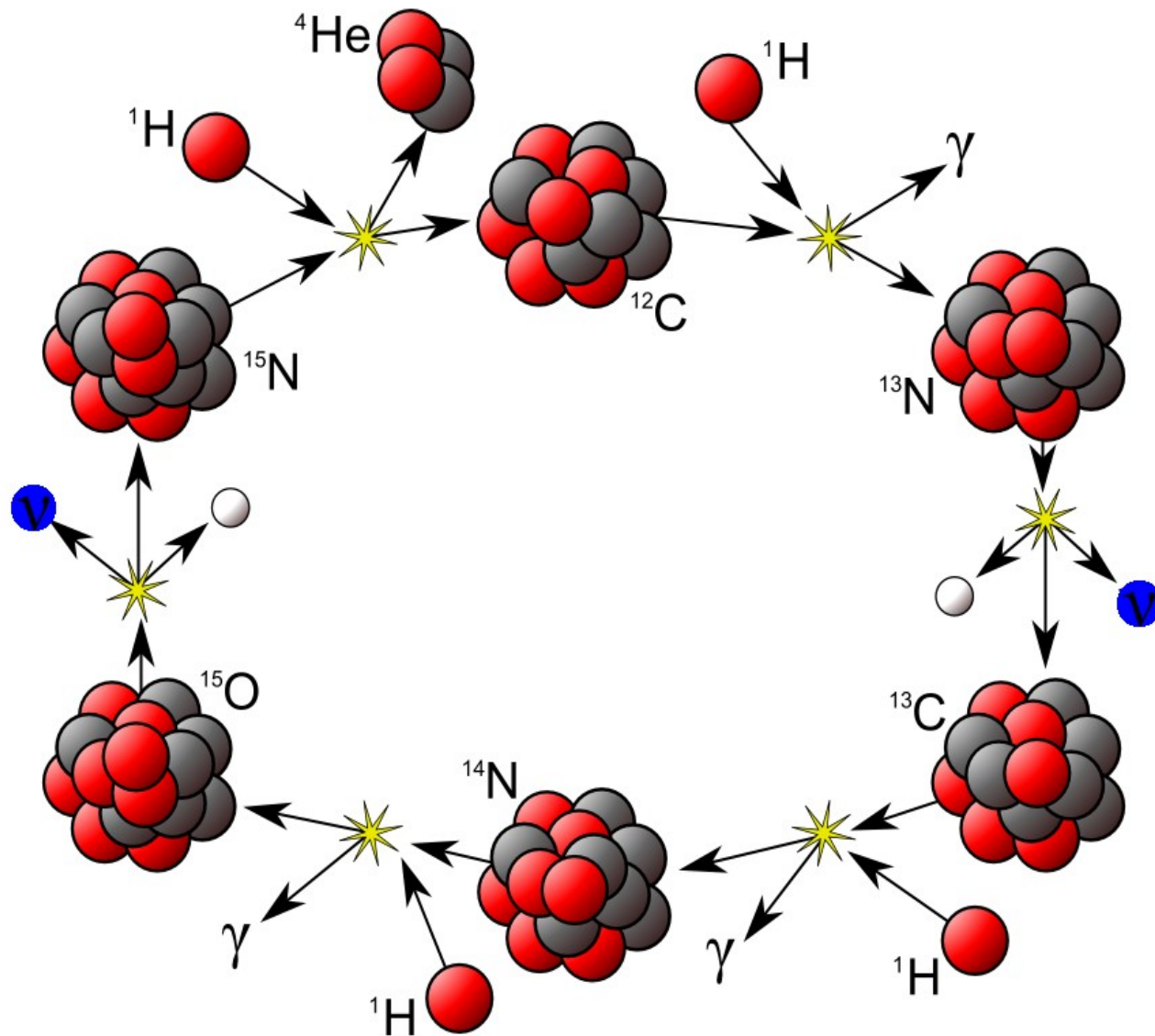
Energy production in the sun: pp cycle



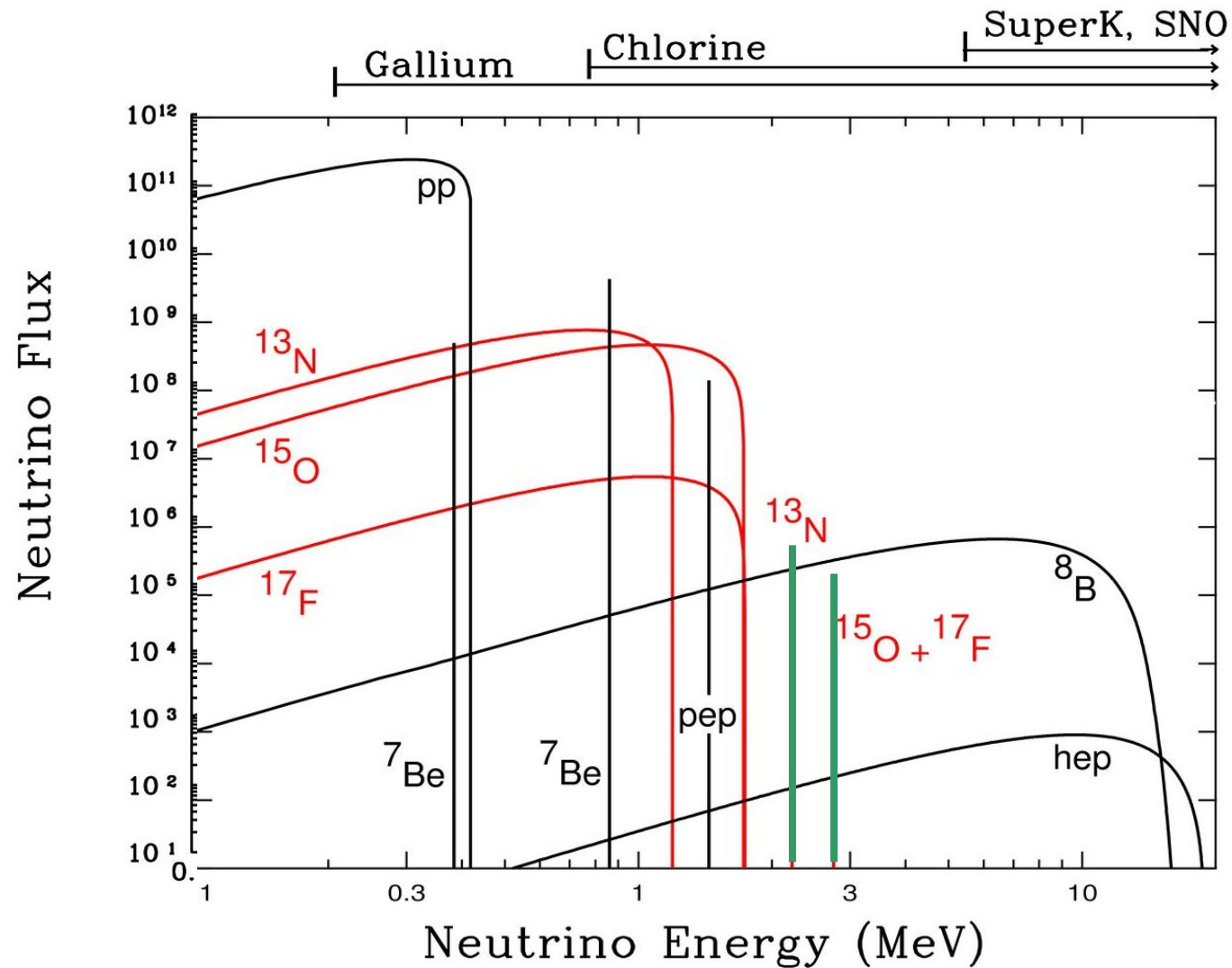
Solar Neutrino Spectrum



Der CNO - Zyklus (subdominant in der Sonne)



Neutrinos from the CNO-cycle



Calculation and Measurement of the flux of solar neutrinos

Bahcall, Davis 1964

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SOLAR NEUTRINOS. I. THEORETICAL*

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(Received 6 January 1964)

The principal energy source for main-sequence stars like the sun is believed to be the fusion, in the deep interior of the star, of four protons to form an alpha particle.¹ The fusion reactions are thought to be initiated by the sequence ${}^1\text{H}(p, e^+\nu){}^2\text{H}(p, \gamma){}^3\text{He}$ and terminated by the following sequences: (i) ${}^3\text{He}({}^3\text{He}, 2p){}^4\text{He}$; (ii) ${}^3\text{He}(\alpha, \gamma){}^7\text{Be}(e^-\nu){}^7\text{Li}(p, \alpha){}^4\text{He}$; and (iii) ${}^3\text{He}(\alpha, \gamma){}^7\text{Be}(p, \gamma){}^8\text{B}(e^+\nu){}^8\text{Be}(\alpha){}^4\text{He}$. No direct evidence for the existence of nuclear reactions in the interiors of stars has yet been obtained because the mean free path for photons emitted in the center of a

star is typically less than 10^{-10} of the radius of the star. Only neutrinos, with their extremely small interaction cross sections, can enable us to see into the interior of a star and thus verify directly the hypothesis of nuclear energy generation in stars.

The most promising method² for detecting solar neutrinos is based upon the endothermic reaction ($Q = -0.81$ MeV) ${}^{37}\text{Cl}(\nu_{\text{solar}}, e^-){}^{37}\text{Ar}$, which was first discussed as a possible means of detecting neutrinos by Pontecorvo³ and Alvarez.⁴ In this note, we predict the number of absorptions of

SOLAR NEUTRINOS. II. EXPERIMENTAL*

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(Received 6 January 1964)

The prospect of observing solar neutrinos by means of the inverse beta process ${}^{37}\text{Cl}(\nu, e^-){}^{37}\text{Ar}$ induced us to place the apparatus previously described¹ in a mine and make a preliminary search. This experiment served to place an upper limit on the flux of extraterrestrial neutrinos. These results will be reported, and a discussion will be given of the possibility of extending the sensitivity of the method to a degree capable of measuring the solar neutrino flux calculated by Bahcall in the preceding paper.²

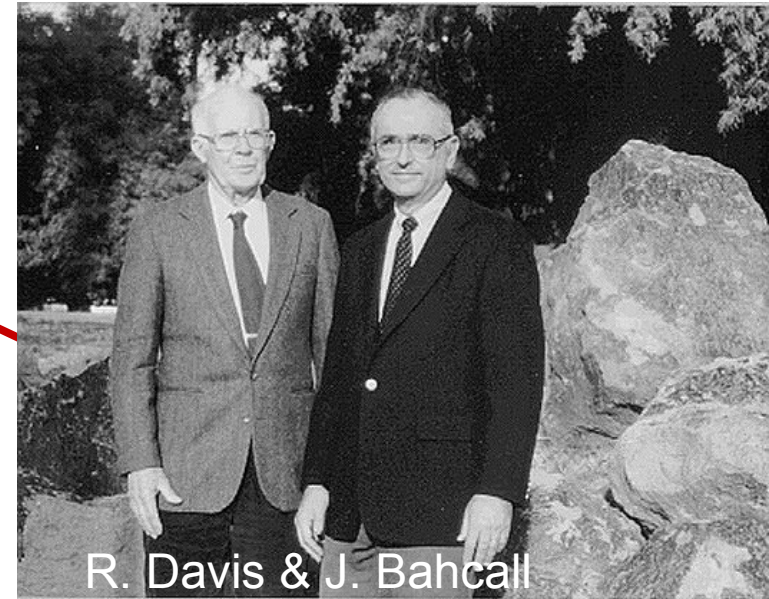
The apparatus consists of two 500-gallon tanks of perchlorethylene, C_2Cl_4 , equipped with agitators and an auxiliary system for purging with helium. It is located in a limestone mine 2300 feet below the surface³ (1800 meters of water equivalent shielding, m.w.e.). Initially the tanks were swept completely free of air argon by purging the tanks with a stream of helium gas. ${}^{39}\text{Ar}$ carrier (0.10 cm³) was introduced and the tanks exposed for periods of four months or more to allow the 35-d ${}^{37}\text{Ar}$ activity to reach nearly the saturation value. Carrier argon along with any ${}^{37}\text{Ar}$ pro-

3 counts in 18 days is probably entirely due to the background activity. However, if one assumes that this rate corresponds to real events and uses the efficiencies mentioned, the upper limit of the neutrino capture rate in 1000 gallons of C_2Cl_4 is ≤ 0.5 per day or $\phi \leq 3 \times 10^{-34}$ sec⁻¹ (${}^{37}\text{Cl}$ atom)⁻¹. From this value, Bahcall² has set an upper limit on the central temperature of the sun and other relevant information.

On the other hand, if one wants to measure the solar neutrino flux by this method one must use a much larger amount of C_2Cl_4 , so that the expected ${}^{37}\text{Ar}$ production rate is well above the background of the counter, 0.2 count per day. Using Bahcall's expression,

$$\sum \phi_{\nu}(\text{solar}) \sigma_{\text{abs}} = (4 \pm 2) \times 10^{-35} \text{ sec}^{-1} ({}^{37}\text{Cl atom})^{-1},$$

then the expected solar neutrino captures in 100 000 gallons of C_2Cl_4 will be 4 to 11 per day, which is an order of magnitude larger than the counter background. On the basis of experience



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Untergrundlabore weltweit

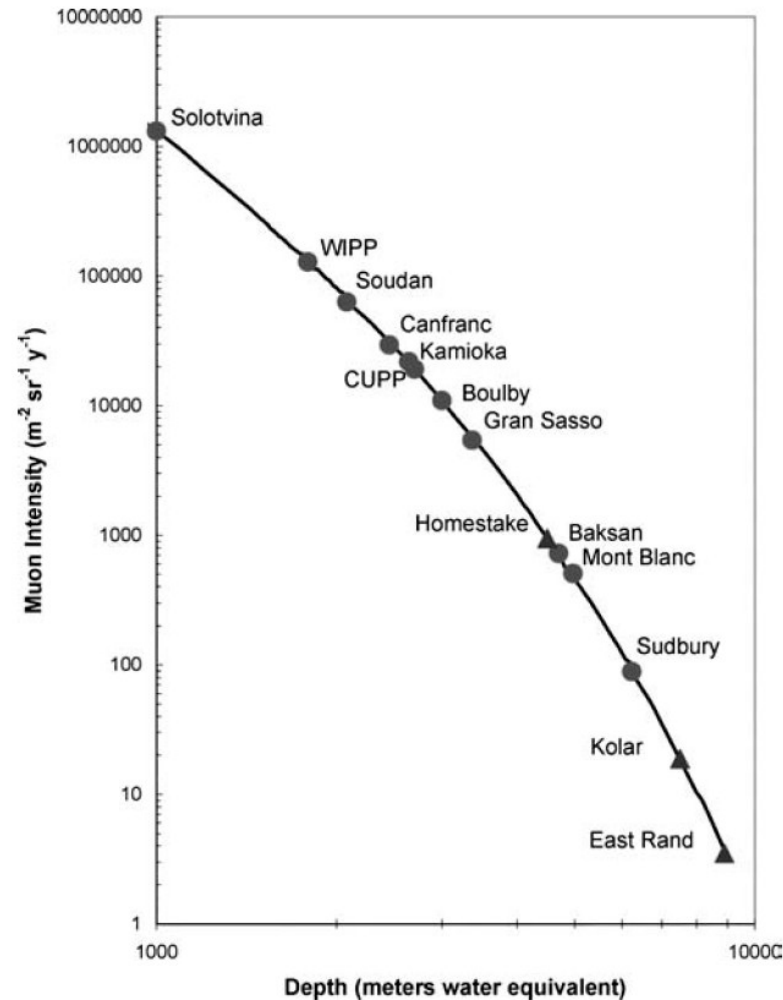
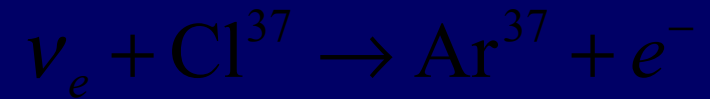


Figure 2 Vertical muon flux as a function of depth, normalized to meter water equivalent (mwe), with current (*circles*) and closed (*triangles*) underground facilities. The CUPP and Kamioka sites are at equal depth.

Solar Neutrinos: “pioneering experiment”

Nobel prize 2002

Since ≈ 1970



$$E_\nu > 814 \text{ keV}$$

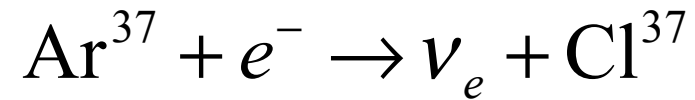
$$R_{\text{exp}} = 0.34 \times \text{SSM}$$



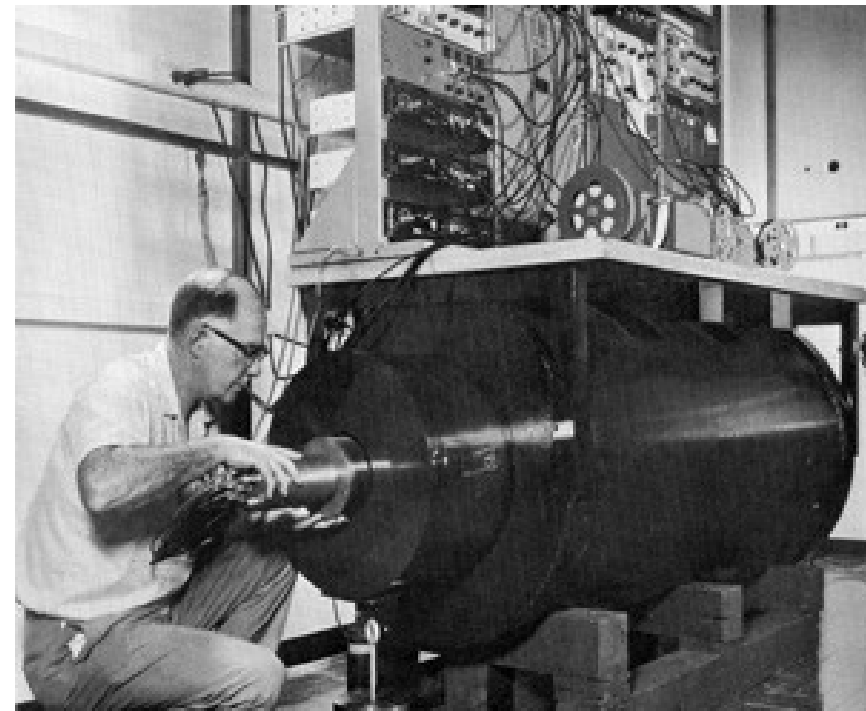
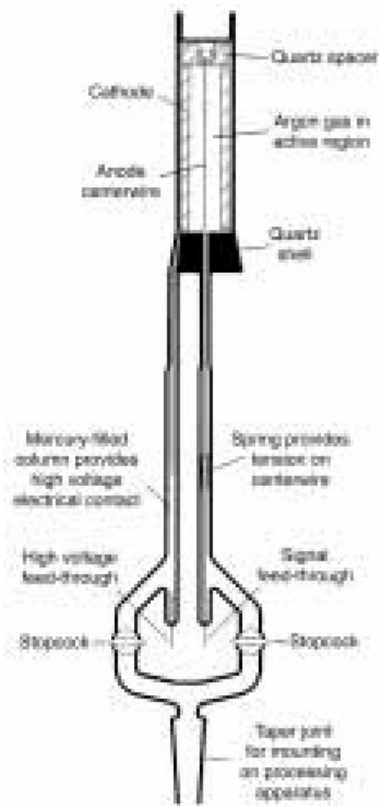
Raymond Davis Jr.,
Homestake Experiment



Ar – Counting



$$T_{1/2} = 35 \text{ Tage}$$



Homestake: Ergebnis

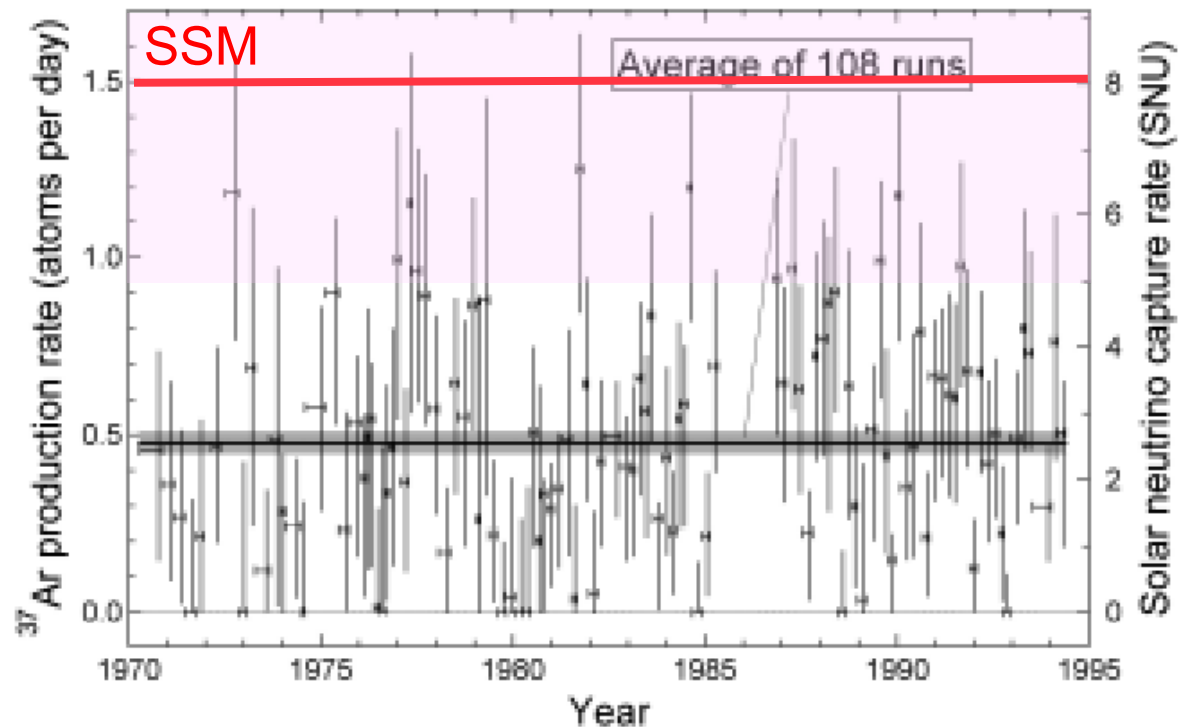


Figure 15. A summary of all of the runs made at Homestake after implementation of rise-time counting. Background has been subtracted. Over a period of 25 years, 2200 atoms of ^{37}Ar were detected, corresponding to an average solar neutrino flux of 2.56 SNU. The gap in 1986 occurred when both perchloroethylene circulation pumps failed. Based on data from Cleveland *et al.* (1998).



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Dear Prof. Bahcall,

Thank you very much for your letter and the abstract of the new Davis investigation the numerical results of which I did not know. It starts to be really interesting! It would be nice if all this will end with something unexpected from the point of view of particle physics. Unfortunately, it will not be easy to demonstrate this, even if nature works that way.

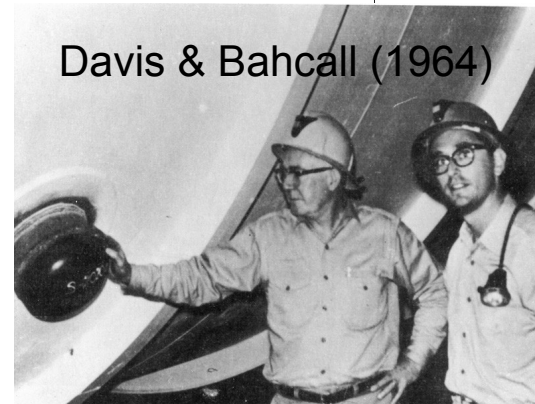
I will attend the Balaton meeting on neutrinos and looking forward to see you there.

Yours sincerely,

B. Pontecorvo

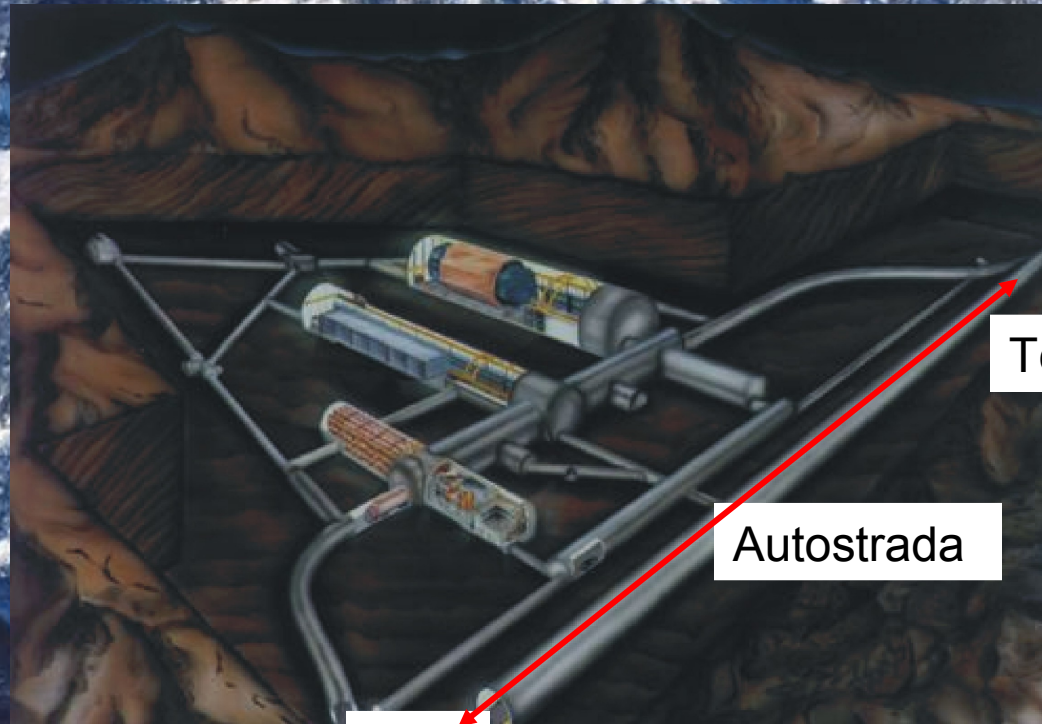
B.Pontecorvo

Davis & Bahcall (1964)



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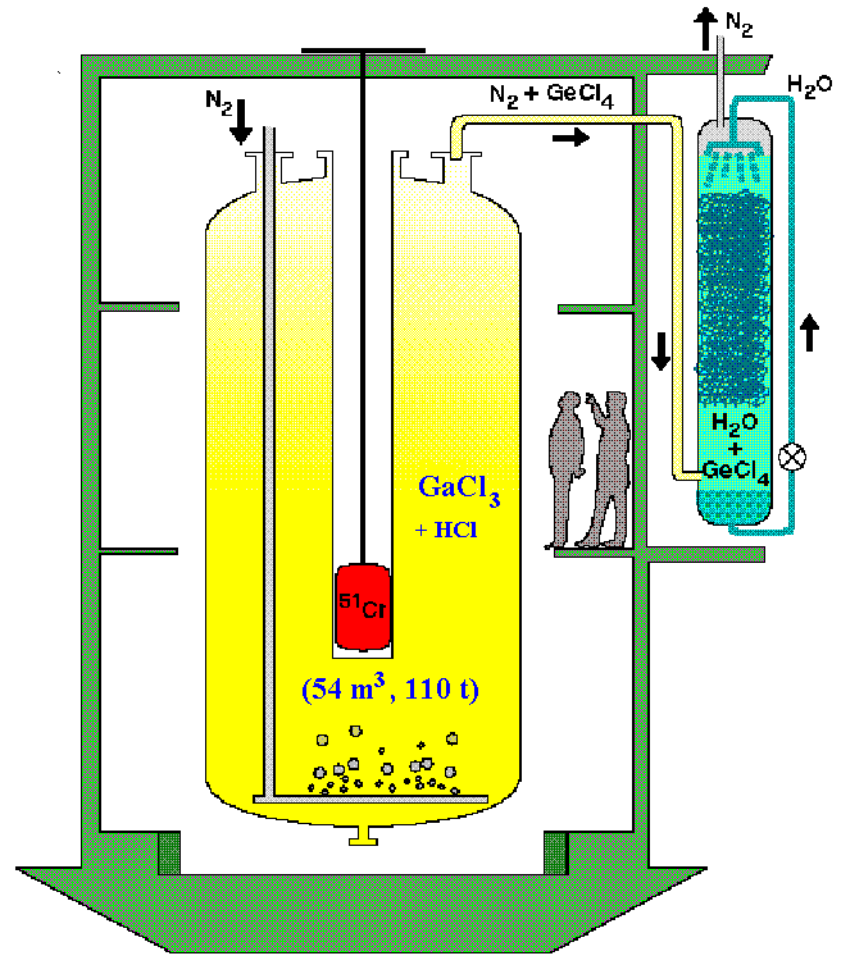
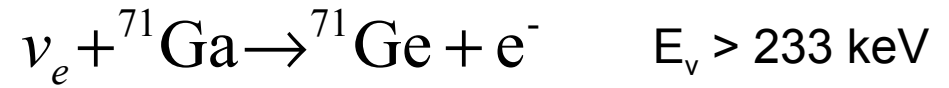
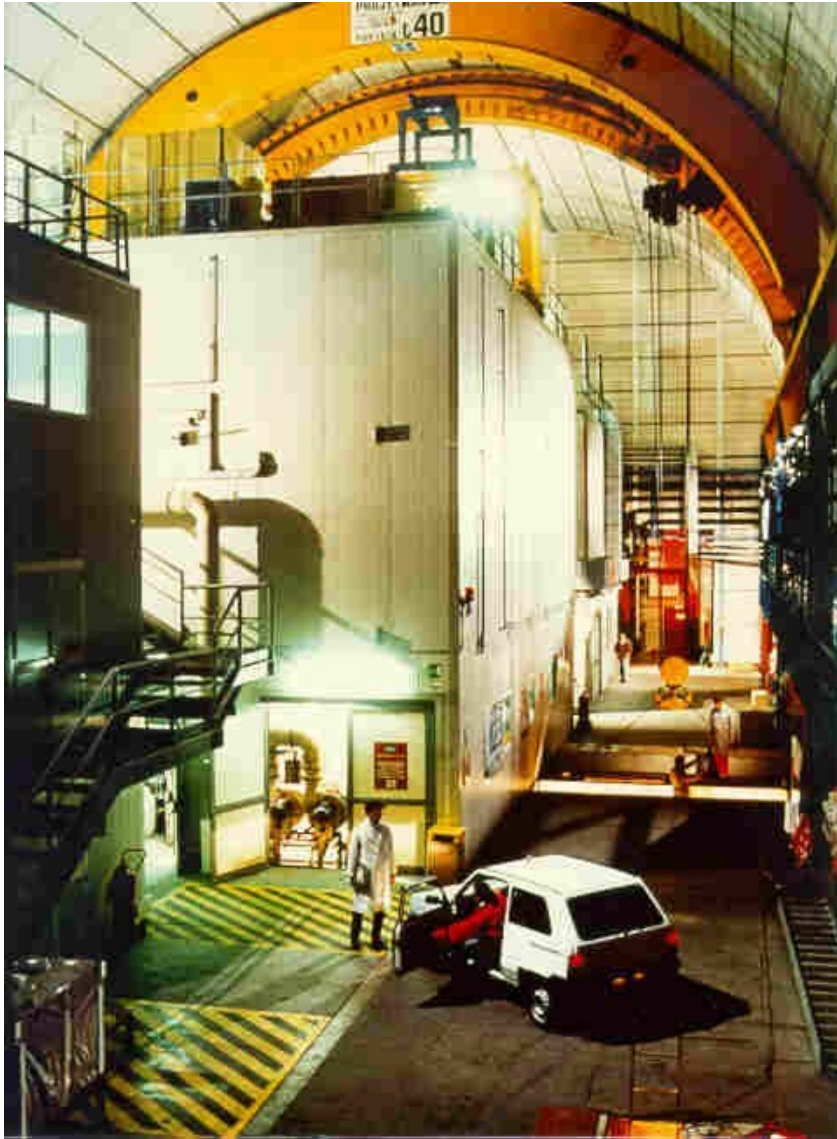


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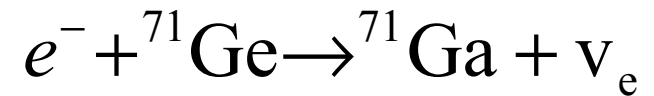
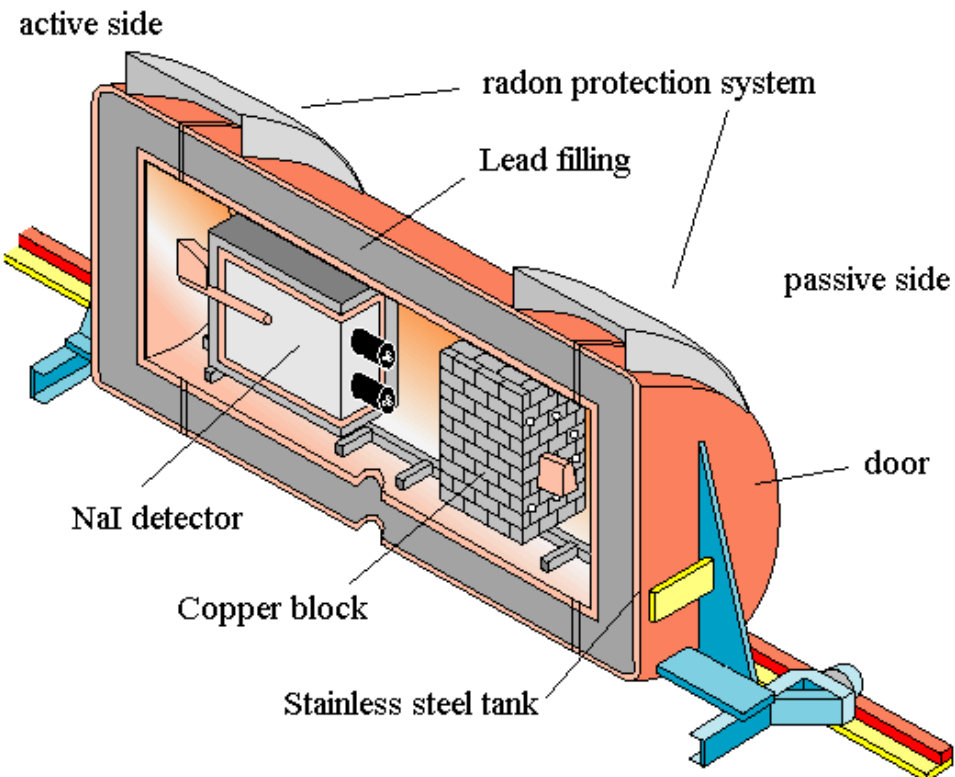
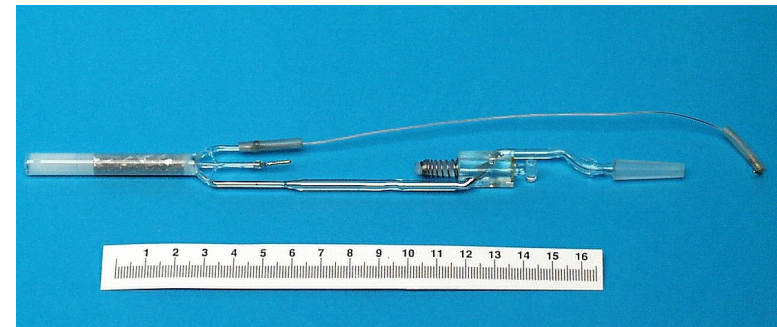
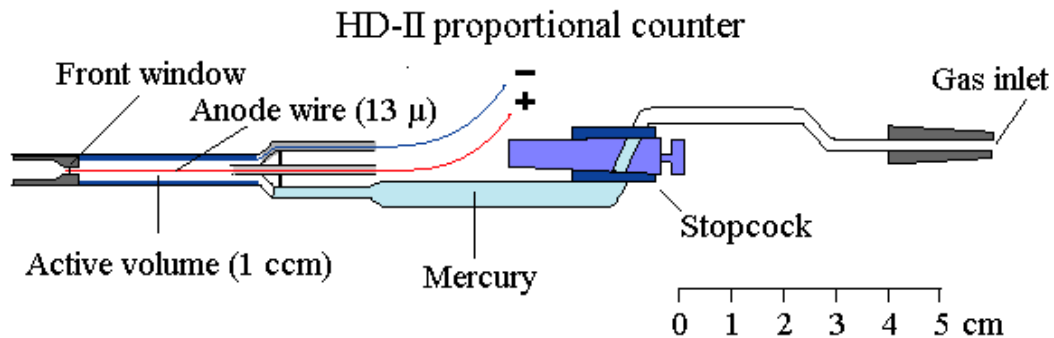
GALLEX (& GNO)



Extraction of ^{71}Ge (as GeCl_4) in GALLEX

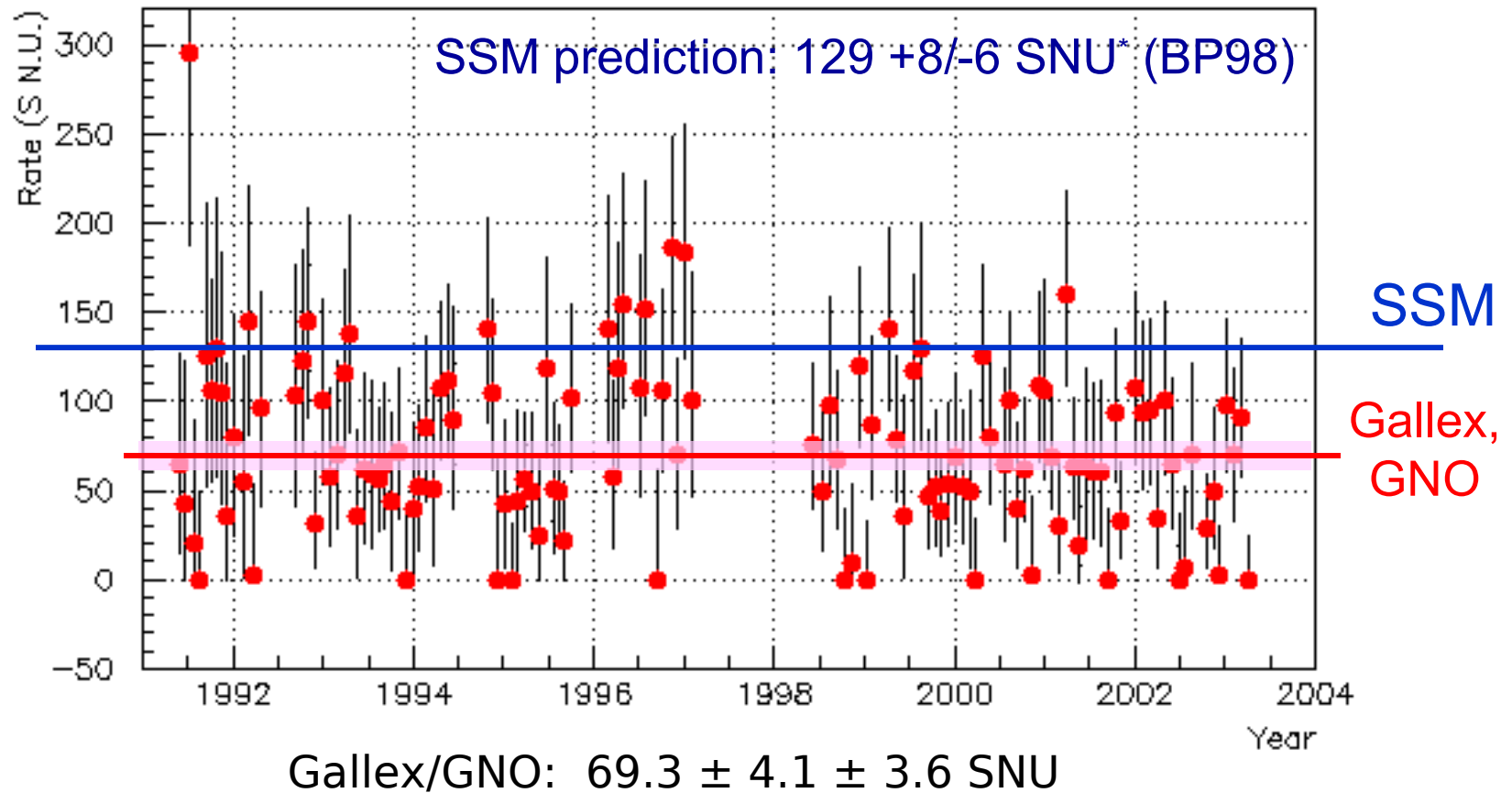


Ge - Counting



$$T_{1/2} = 11.4 \text{ d}$$

Gallex / GNO results



*) 1 SNU (solar neutrino unit) = 1 v-capture / 10^{36} target atoms

SAGE (soviet american gallium experiment)

Heute: BNO (Baksan Neutrino Observatory)

Total: GALLEX/GNO & SAGE: 68.1 ± 3.75 SNU

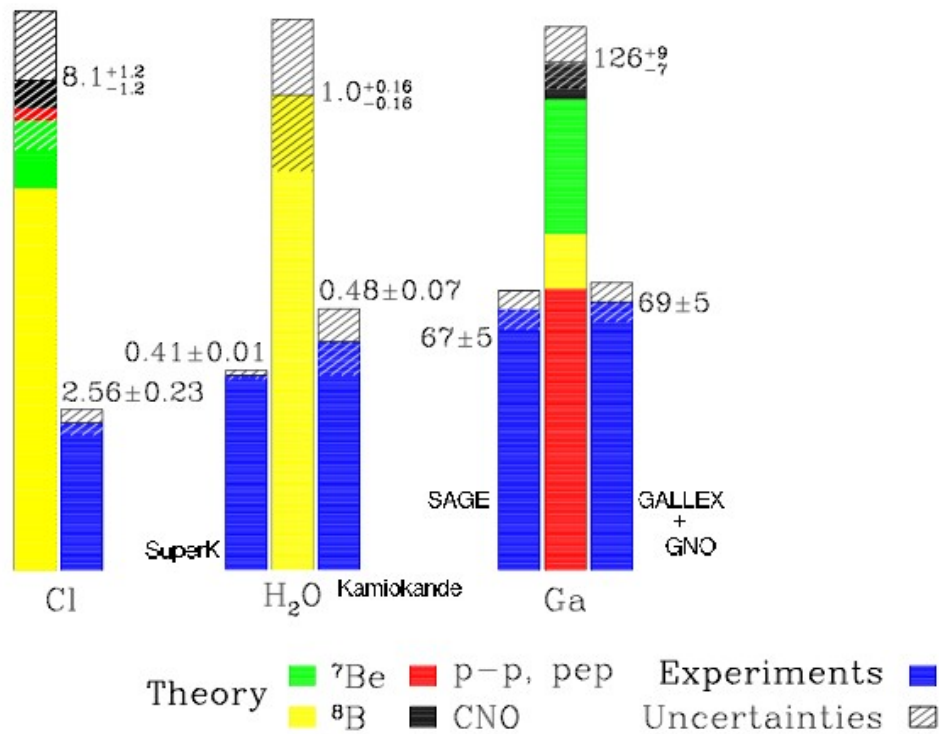


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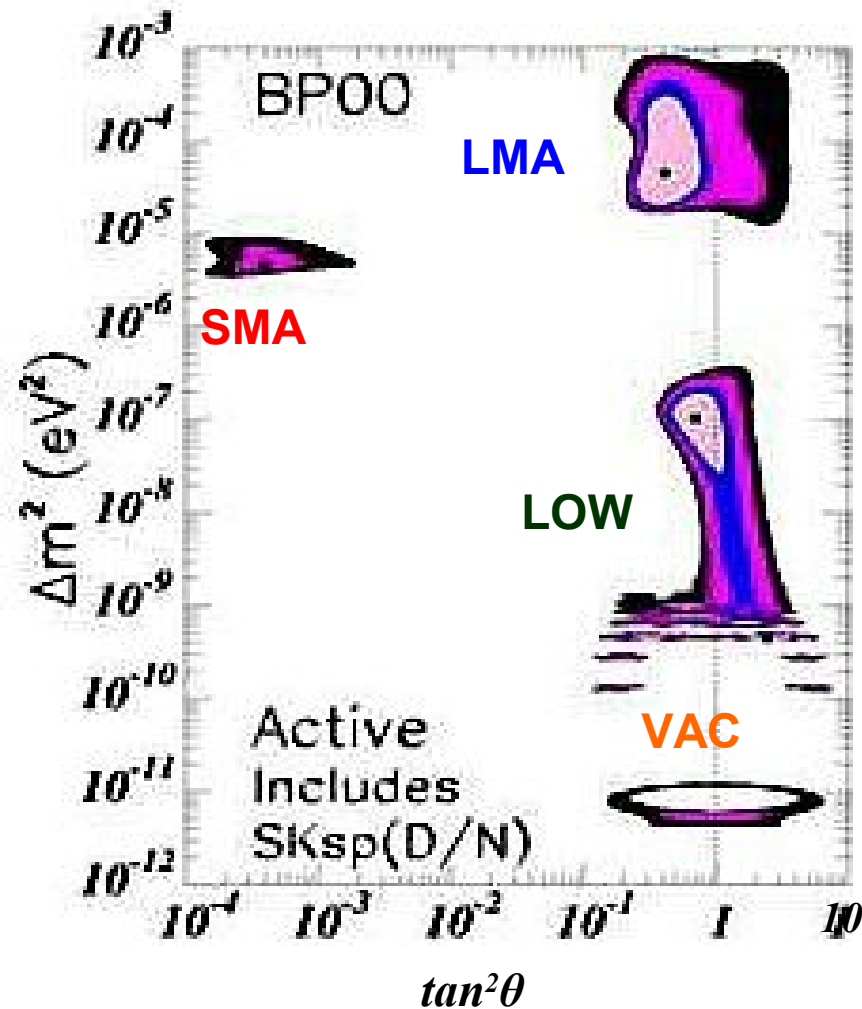


The solar neutrino puzzle

Total Rates: Standard Model vs. Experiment
Bahcall–Serenelli 2005 [BS05(OP)]



Status of solar neutrino oscillation spring 2000





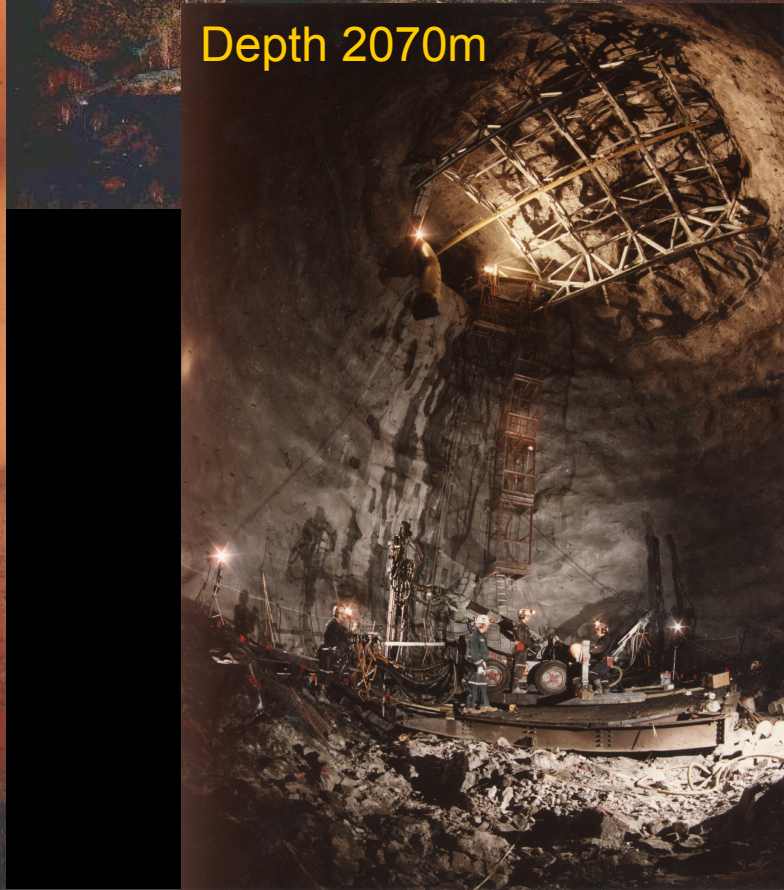
SNO:
Sudbury Neutrino Observatory



Creighton Mine (Nickel)
Sudbury, Canada



Depth 2070m

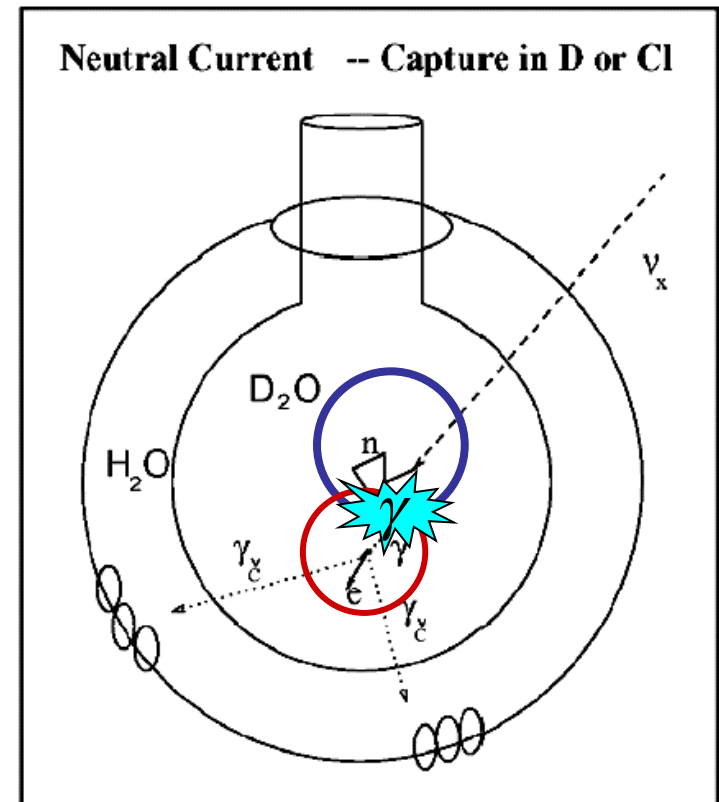
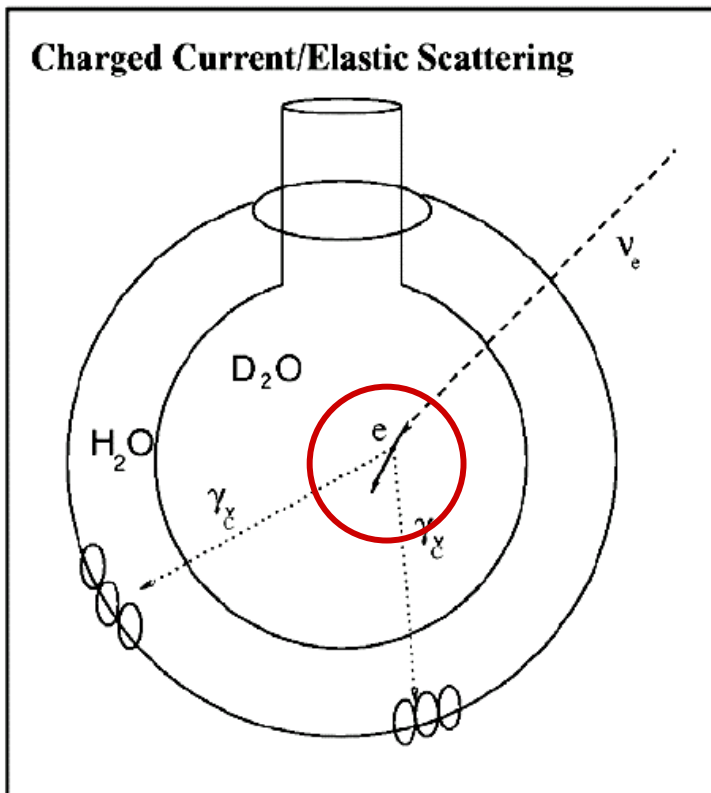


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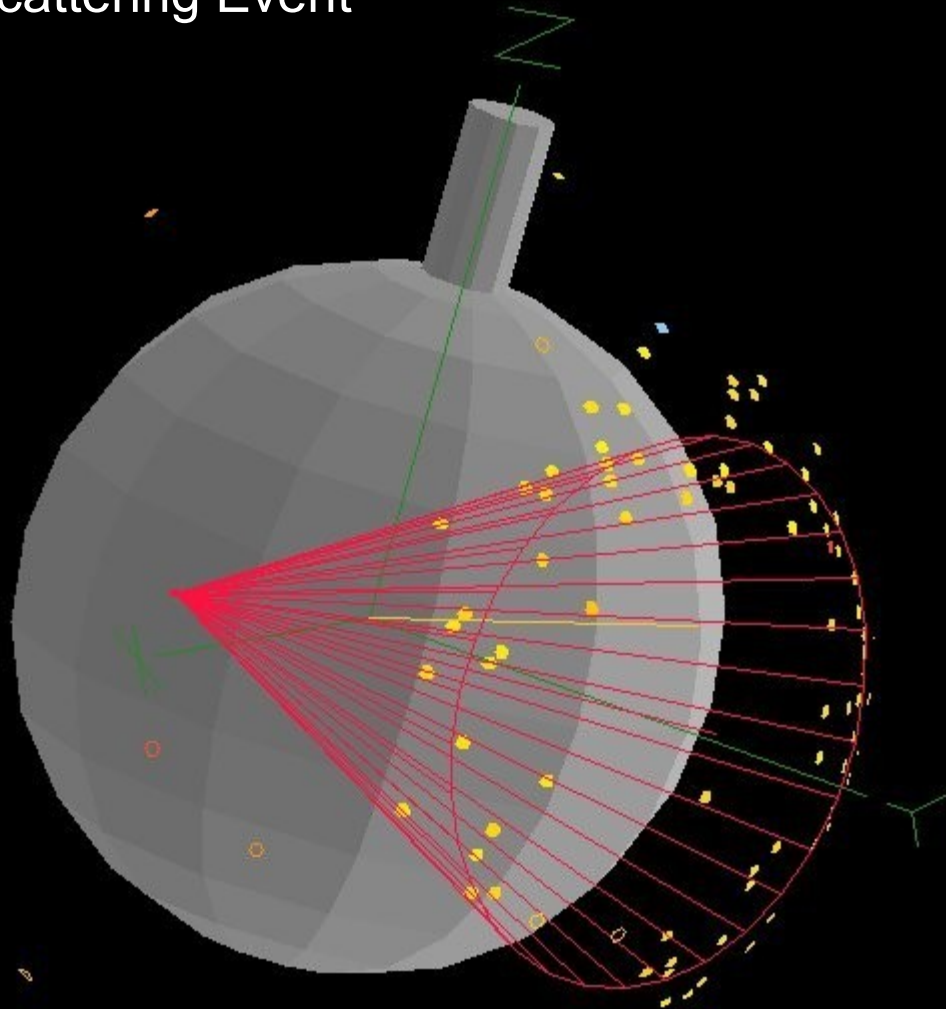
CC $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$

ES $\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$

NC $\nu_x + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu_x$



Neutrino - Electron Scattering Event





Neutron detection in SNO

Phase I (D_2O)

Nov. 99 - May 01

n captures on
 $^2H(n, \gamma)^3H$
 $\sigma = 0.0005 \text{ b}$
 Observe 6.25 MeV γ
 PMT array readout
 Good CC

Phase II (salt)

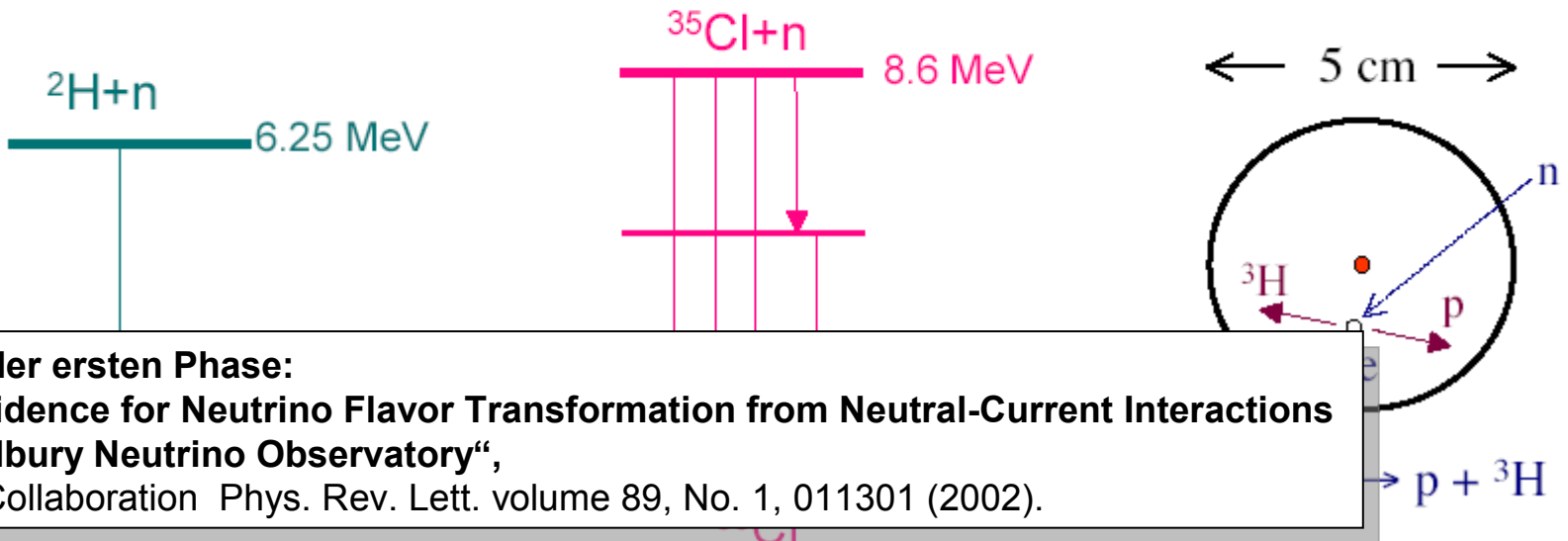
July 01 - Sep. 03

2 t NaCl. n captures on
 $^{35}Cl(n, \gamma)^{36}Cl$
 $\sigma = 44 \text{ b}$
 Observe multiple γ 's
 PMT array readout
 Enhanced NC

Phase III (3He)

Summer 04 - Dec. 06

40 proportional counters
 $^3He(n, p)^3H$
 $\sigma = 5330 \text{ b}$
 Observe p and 3H
 PC independent readout
 Event by Event Det.



Ergebnis der ersten Phase:

"Direct Evidence for Neutrino Flavor Transformation from Neutral-Current Interactions in the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory",

The SNO Collaboration Phys. Rev. Lett. volume 89, No. 1, 011301 (2002).

SNO results

„Independent Measurement of the Total Active 8B Solar Neutrino Flux Using an Array of 3He Proportional Counters at the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory“, SNO Collaboration, PRL 101, 111301 (2008):

CC $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$

ES $\nu_e + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + e^-$

NC $\nu_x + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu_x$

$$\phi_{\text{CC}}^{\text{SNO}} = 1.67^{+0.05}_{-0.04}(\text{stat})^{+0.07}_{-0.08}(\text{syst})$$

$$\phi_{\text{ES}}^{\text{SNO}} = 1.77^{+0.24}_{-0.21}(\text{stat})^{+0.09}_{-0.10}(\text{syst})$$

$$\phi_{\text{NC}}^{\text{SNO}} = 5.54^{+0.33}_{-0.31}(\text{stat})^{+0.36}_{-0.34}(\text{syst}),$$

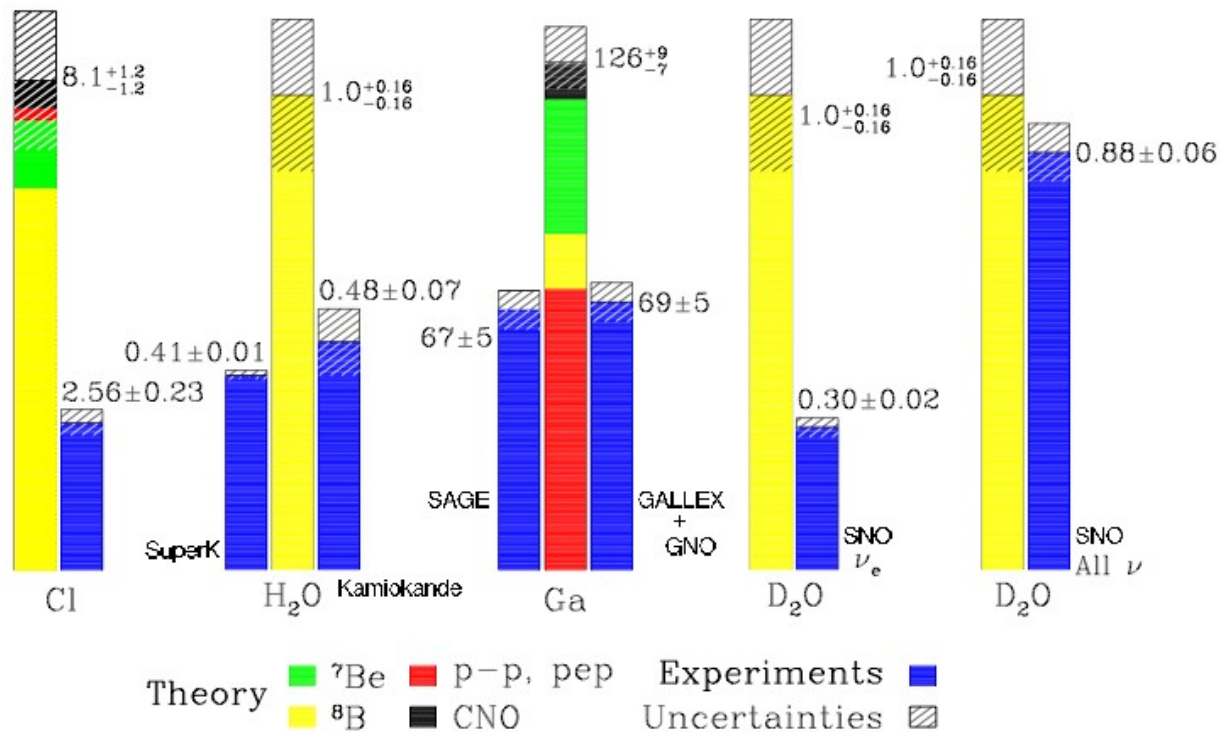
(in units of $10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$)

$$\frac{\phi_{\text{CC}}^{\text{SNO}}}{\phi_{\text{NC}}^{\text{SNO}}} = 0.301 \pm 0.033(\text{total})$$

- 1/3 of solar neutrinos are detected as ν_e in SNO.
- 2/3 of solar neutrinos are detected as ν_μ or ν_τ in SNO.
- measured total neutrino flux = SSM predicted flux

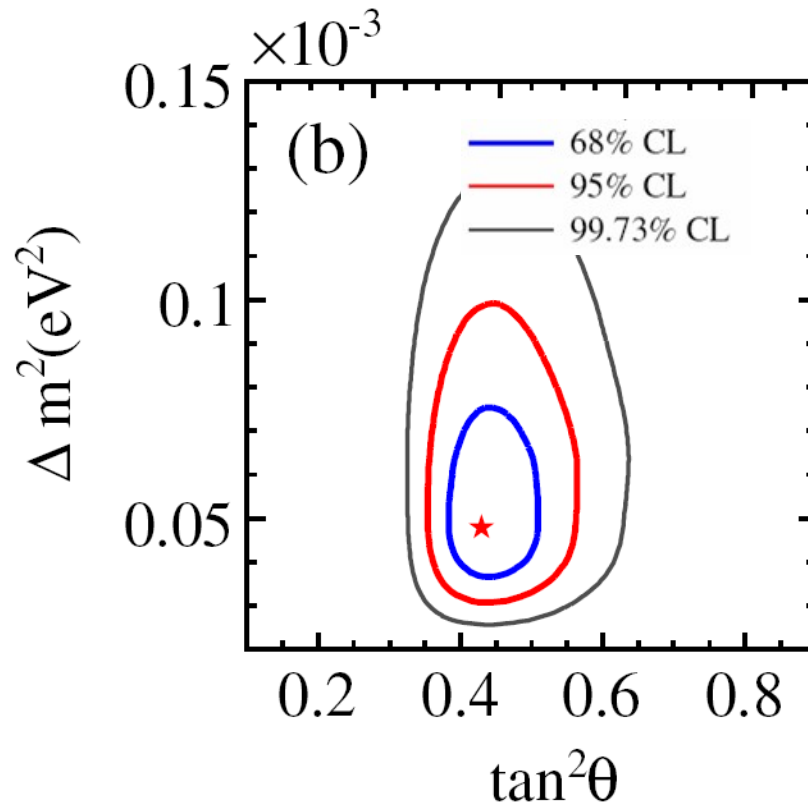
Lösung des solaren Neutrinorätsels: Es liegt an den Neutrinos

Total Rates: Standard Model vs. Experiment
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Neutrino Oscillation Analysis (after SNO)

Global Analysis using data from
SNO, SK, Cl, Ga, Borexino



SNO coll., PRL 101, 111301 (2008)

Solution of the solar neutrino puzzle

Results are compatible with:

$\approx 60\%$ of pp, ${}^7\text{Be}$ neutrinos,

but

$\approx 33\%$ of ${}^8\text{B}$ neutrinos arrive on earth as ν_e

Explanation of results of solar neutrino experiments: ($\approx 60\%$ of pp-neutrinos and $\approx 33\%$ of ^8B neutrinos arrive on earth as ν_e)

- We assume:
 $\Delta m_{12}^2 = 8 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$, $\theta_{12} \approx 33^\circ$
- The probability of vacuum oscillations is then given by:

$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \left(1.27 \frac{\Delta m_{12}^2 / \text{eV}^2 \cdot L / \text{m}}{E / \text{MeV}} \right)$$

Phase δ

$$\delta = 1.27 \frac{8 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot 1.5 \cdot 10^{11}}{\text{values of } 0.1 - 10} = 10^{7 \pm 1}$$

The phase varies over a large range!

- Therefore the survival probability for solar neutrinos (in vacuum) is:

$$\langle P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) \rangle_{\text{averaging over phases}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \approx 0.6$$

This explains quite well the experimental results for pp-neutrinos

But this is independent of energy!

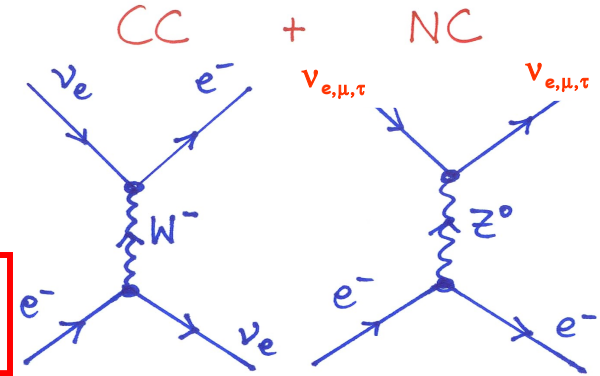
→ Therefore we need another effect to explain why only 33% of ^8B neutrinos arrive...

Neutrino propagation in matter – MSW (Mikheyev, Smirnov, Wolfenstein) Effect

Origin: ν_e and $\nu_{\mu,\tau}$ have different interaction with matter
(ν_e can undergo CC and NC reaction, $\nu_{\mu,\tau}$ only NC!)

Only elastic forward scattering of neutrinos is relevant

$$\text{In matter: } +4E\sqrt{2}G_F N_e$$



Vacuum:
$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

In matter there is an **additional potential** in the equation of motion for $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$ scattering (Flavor base)

Matter:
$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta + 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

with
$$2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E = 1.53 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}^2 \left(\frac{\overline{Y_e \rho}}{m} \cdot \frac{E}{\text{MeV}} \right) \quad \text{center of Sun: } \frac{Y_e \rho}{\text{g/cm}^3} \cong 100$$

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta + 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

can be written as:

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m_m^2 \cos 2\theta_m & \Delta m_m^2 \sin 2\theta_m \\ \Delta m_m^2 \sin 2\theta_m & \Delta m_m^2 \cos 2\theta_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\Delta m_m^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2$ and θ_m , denote the “effective” masses and mixing angles in matter and:

$$\Delta m_m^2 \cos 2\theta_m = \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E$$

$$\Delta m_m^2 \sin 2\theta_m = \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta$$

Solving these equations gives:

$$\Delta m_m^2 = \sqrt{(\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E)^2 + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta)^2}$$

$$\sin 2\theta_m = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E}{\Delta m^2} - \cos 2\theta\right)^2 + (\sin 2\theta)^2}}$$

Neutrino propagation in matter: 3 regimes

1. Quasi – vacuum: $2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E \ll \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta$ pp, ${}^7\text{Be}$ Neutrinos

$$\Delta m_m^2 \cong \Delta m^2, \quad \theta_m \cong \theta$$

2. Resonance:
(Mikheyev, Smirnov 1985)

$$2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E = \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta$$

$$\Delta m_m^2 = \Delta m^2 \sin^2 2\theta$$

$$\theta_m = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (45^\circ)$$

3. Matter dominated: $2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E \gg \Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta$

${}^8\text{B}$ Neutrinos

$$\Delta m_m^2 \rightarrow 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E$$

$$\theta_m \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (90^\circ)$$

Neutrino mixing in matter:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_m & \sin \theta_m \\ -\sin \theta_m & \cos \theta_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1m} \\ \nu_{2m} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1m} \\ \nu_{2m} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_m & -\sin \theta_m \\ \sin \theta_m & \cos \theta_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

⁸B neutrinos at center of Sun:

$$\theta_m = 73^\circ,$$

with:

$$\Delta m_{12}^2 = 8 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2,$$

$$\theta_{12} \approx 33^\circ,$$

$$Y_\rho \approx 90 \text{g/cm}^3.$$

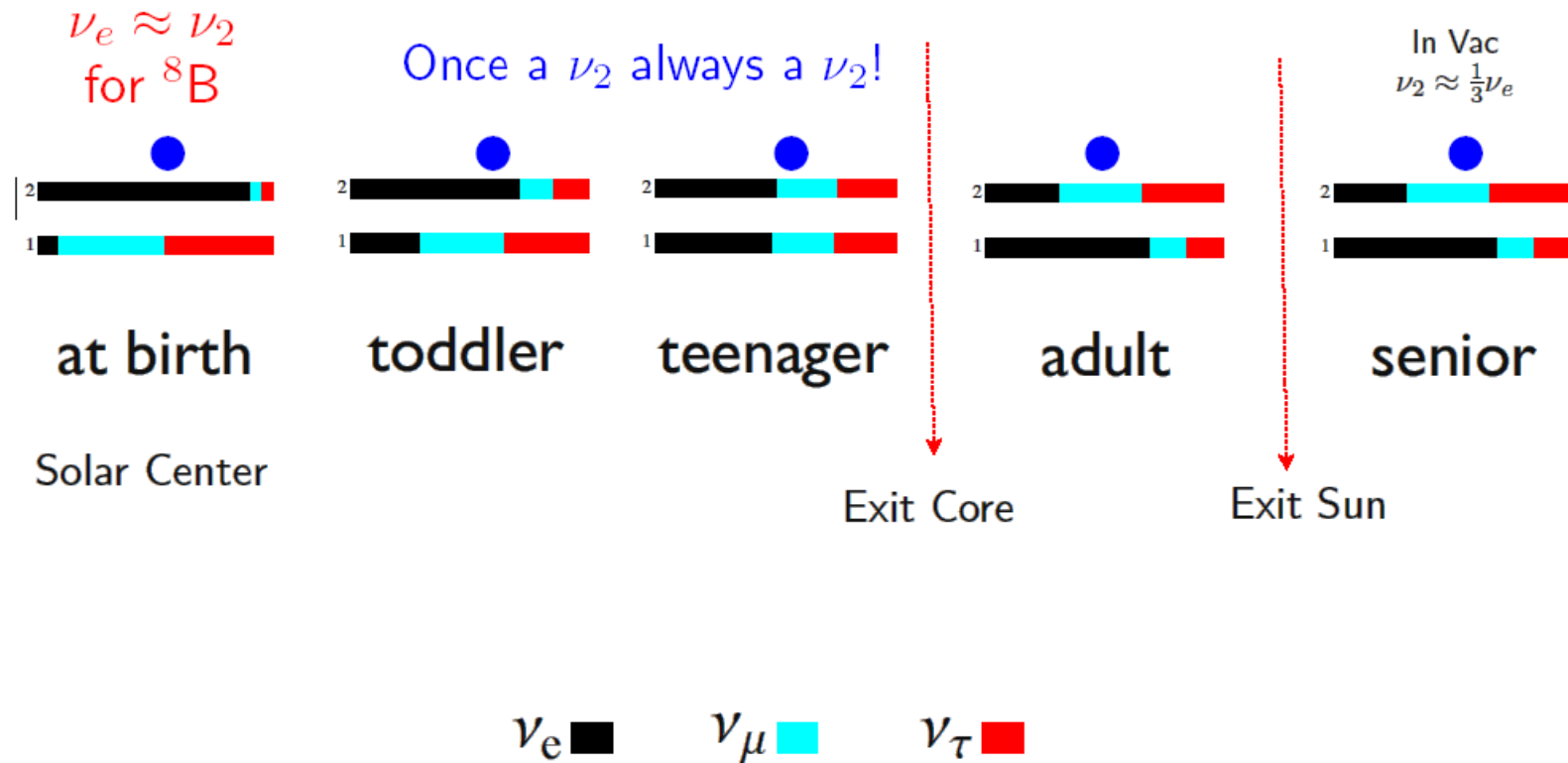
For ⁸B neutrinos at the center of Sun:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 73^\circ & \sin 73^\circ \\ -\sin 73^\circ & \cos 73^\circ \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1m} \\ \nu_{2m} \end{pmatrix}$$

The probability that the created ν_e is in the state ν_{2m} is then given by $\sin^2(73^\circ) = 91\%$!

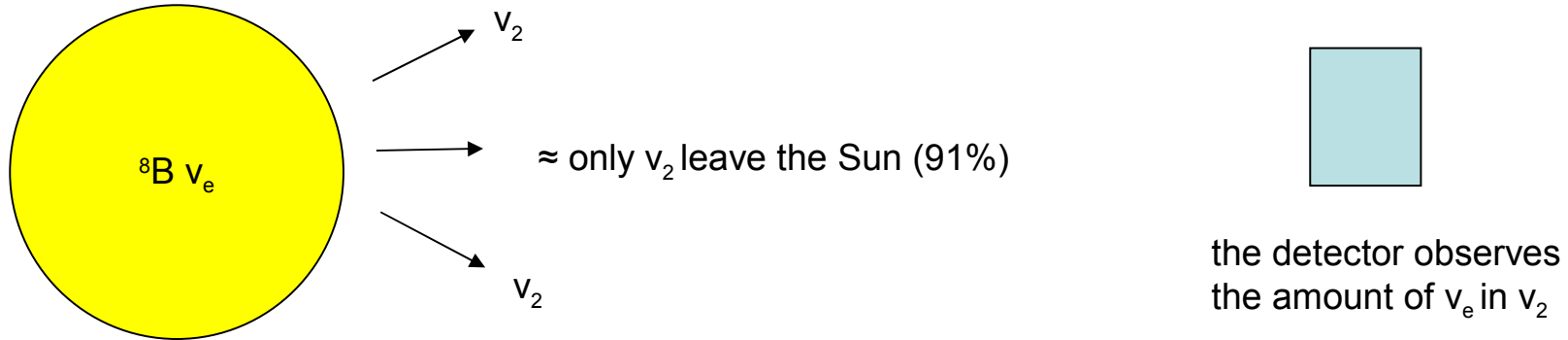
On its way through the Sun, the neutrino is with a constant probability of 91% in the state ν_{2m} .
But the composition of ν_{2m} from ν_e and ν_μ changes with the varying density.

Life of a Boron-8 Solar Neutrino:



From Stephen Parke <http://boudin.fnal.gov/AcLec/AcLecParke.html> (part1)

Explanation of ^8B solar neutrino results with matter effect



The probability that a ^8B neutrino is detected as ν_e is then given by:

$$\langle P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) \rangle_{\text{incoherent}} = f_1 \cos^2 \theta + f_2 \sin^2 \theta$$

where:

f_1 = probability that a neutrino leaving the Sun is in the state $\nu_1 = \cos^2(73^\circ) = 0.09$.

f_2 = probability that a neutrino leaving the Sun is in the state $\nu_2 = \sin^2(73^\circ) = 0.91$.

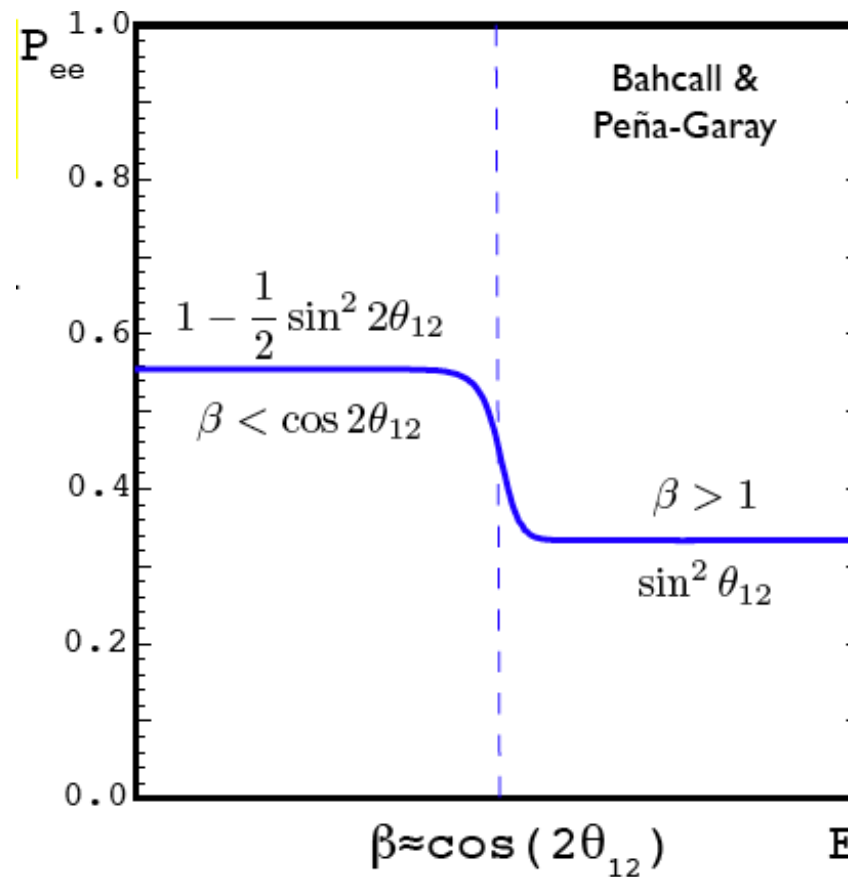
$\cos^2 \theta$ = probability that ν_1 contains the state $\nu_e = \cos^2(33^\circ) = 0.70$.

$\sin^2 \theta$ = probability that ν_2 contains the state $\nu_e = \sin^2(33^\circ) = 0.30$.

$$\langle P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) \rangle_{\text{incoherent}} = 0.09 \cdot 0.70 + 0.91 \cdot 0.30 = 0.336$$

This is exactly what we observe in SNO and Super-K for ^8B neutrinos!

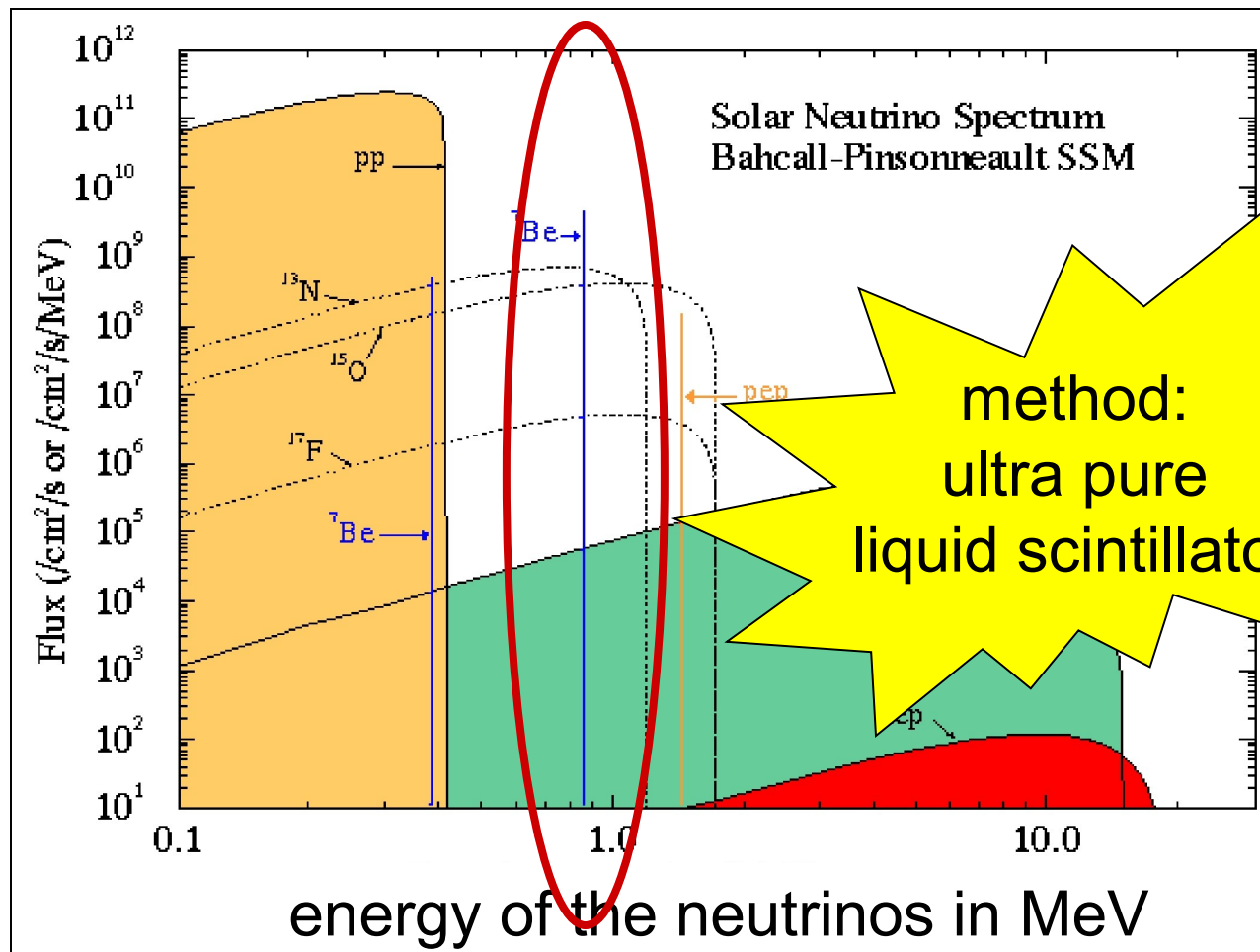
„Survival probability“ of a solar neutrino



$$\beta = \frac{2^{3/2} G_F N_e E}{\Delta m^2} = 0.22 \left[\frac{E}{1 \text{ MeV}} \right] \left[\frac{\rho \cdot Z/A}{100 \text{ g cm}^{-3}} \right] \left[\frac{7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}{\Delta m^2} \right]$$

$$E[\text{MeV}] = 6.8 \times 10^6 \frac{\cos(2\theta_{12}) \Delta m_{12}^2 [\text{eV}^2]}{\rho [\text{g/cm}^3] Z/A} \simeq 1\text{--}2 \text{ MeV}$$

The new generation of solar neutrino experiments

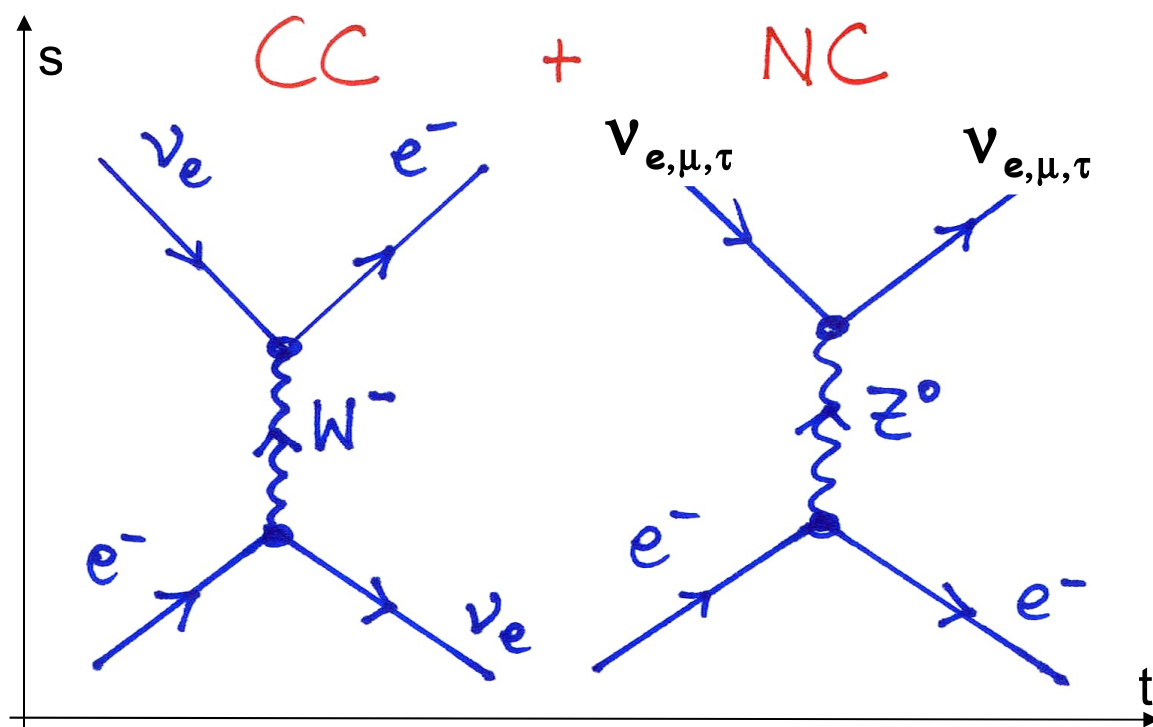


^7Be : $E_\nu = 860 \text{ keV}$, monoenergetic line

Detection of solar neutrinos in BOREXINO: Elastic neutrino – electron scattering

$$\nu_x + e^- \rightarrow \nu_x + e^- \quad (\text{dominated by } \nu_e)$$

(Kinematics like Compton effect)

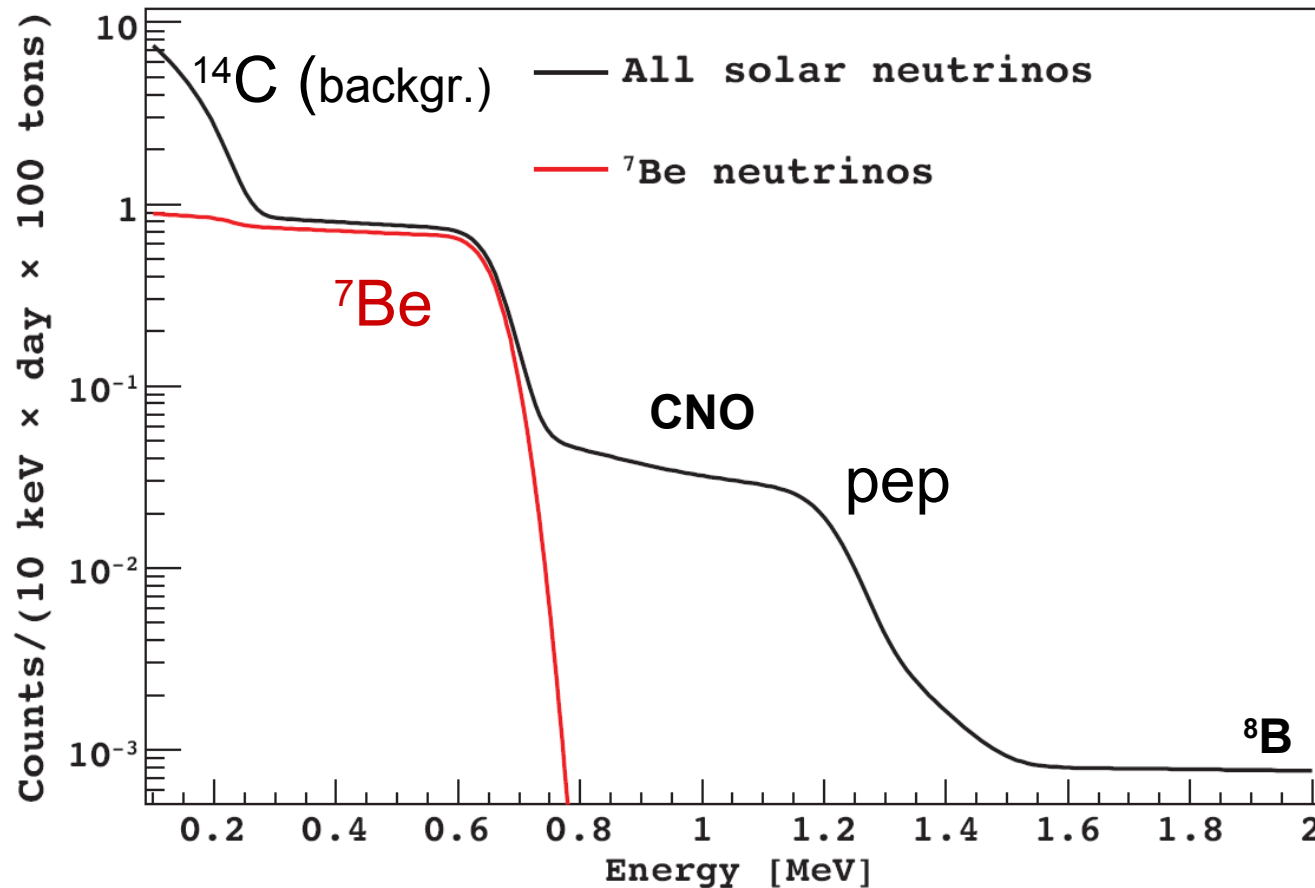


ν_e can interact via
CC + NC

ν_μ and ν_τ can only interact
via NC!

BOREXINO

Expected (electron) energy distribution:



Edge at 665 keV



BOREXINO Detector

Scintillator:
300 t PC+PPO
in a nylon sphere
(thickness 150 μ m)

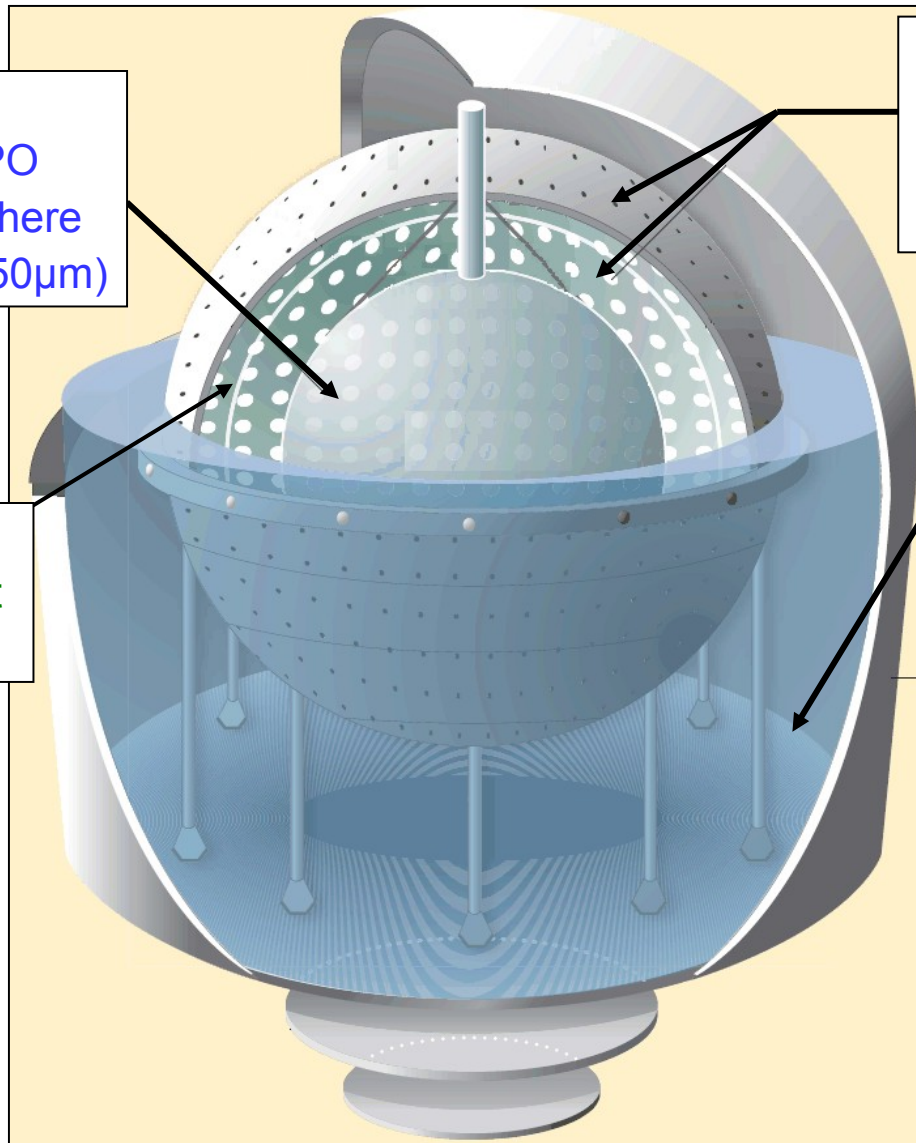
Radon barrier:
Nylon membrane at
5.50 m

Stainless steel sphere:
2212 PMTs
+light concentrators
1350 m³

Water:
 γ and n shielding,
water $\checkmark$ detector
208 PMTs
2100 m³

Excellent **shielding**
against external
background

Increasing **purity** of
materials from
outside to center



Untergrund in Borexino

Erwartetes Signal (mit Neutrinomischung): ca. 50 cpd/100t

- **^{14}C Gehalt des Flüssigszintillators:**

$$^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C} < 10^{-18}$$

- **Radioaktive Nuklide aus den natürlichen Zerfallsketten:**

Gehalt an U238 ($< 10^{-16}\text{g/g}$), Th232 ($< 10^{-16}\text{g/g}$), K40 ($< 10^{-14}\text{g/g}$)
muss extrem gering sein, dann Beitrag jeweils nur 1cpd/100t.
Besonders wichtig: Rn muss vermieden werden!

- **Untergrund durch Kr85:**

Spaltprodukt (Kernreaktoren), Edelgas, $T_{1/2}=10.756\text{y}$, $Q(\beta^-)=687\text{ keV}$
(Beitrag ca. 22 cpd/100t)

- **Kosmogener Untergrund:**

Durch kosmische Myonen und sekundäre Schauerteilchen können aus ^{12}C instabile Radionuklide gebildet werden.
Deren Zerfall kann ein Neutrinoereignis simulieren.

Besonders wichtig:

^7Be (EC, $T_{1/2}=53\text{d}$, in 10% $E_\gamma=478\text{keV}$) (Beitrag ca. 0.3 cpd/100t)

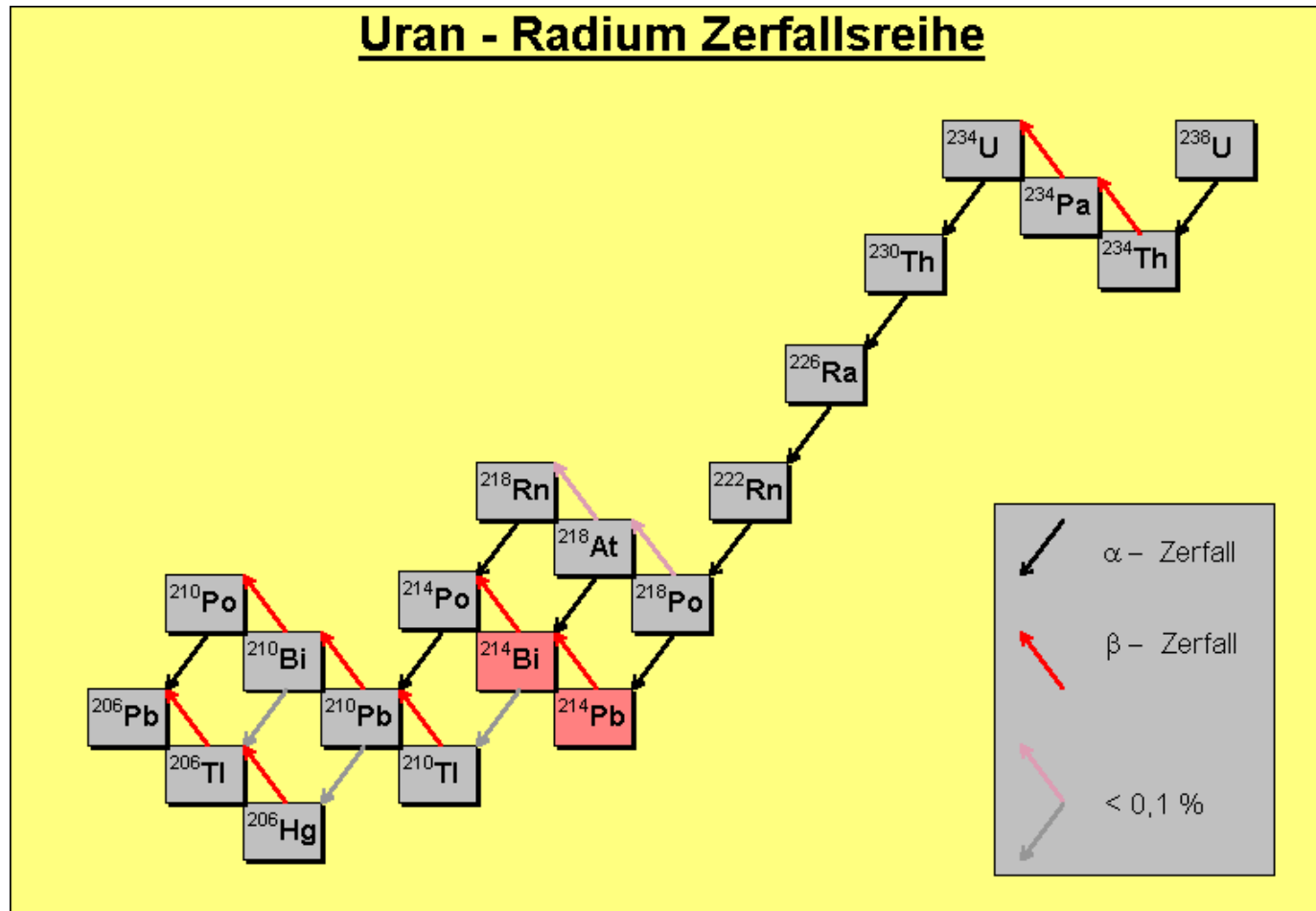
^{11}C (β^+ , $T_{1/2}=20\text{min}$, $E=960\text{keV}$) (Beitrag ca. 7 cpd/100t)

Natürliche Zerfallsketten

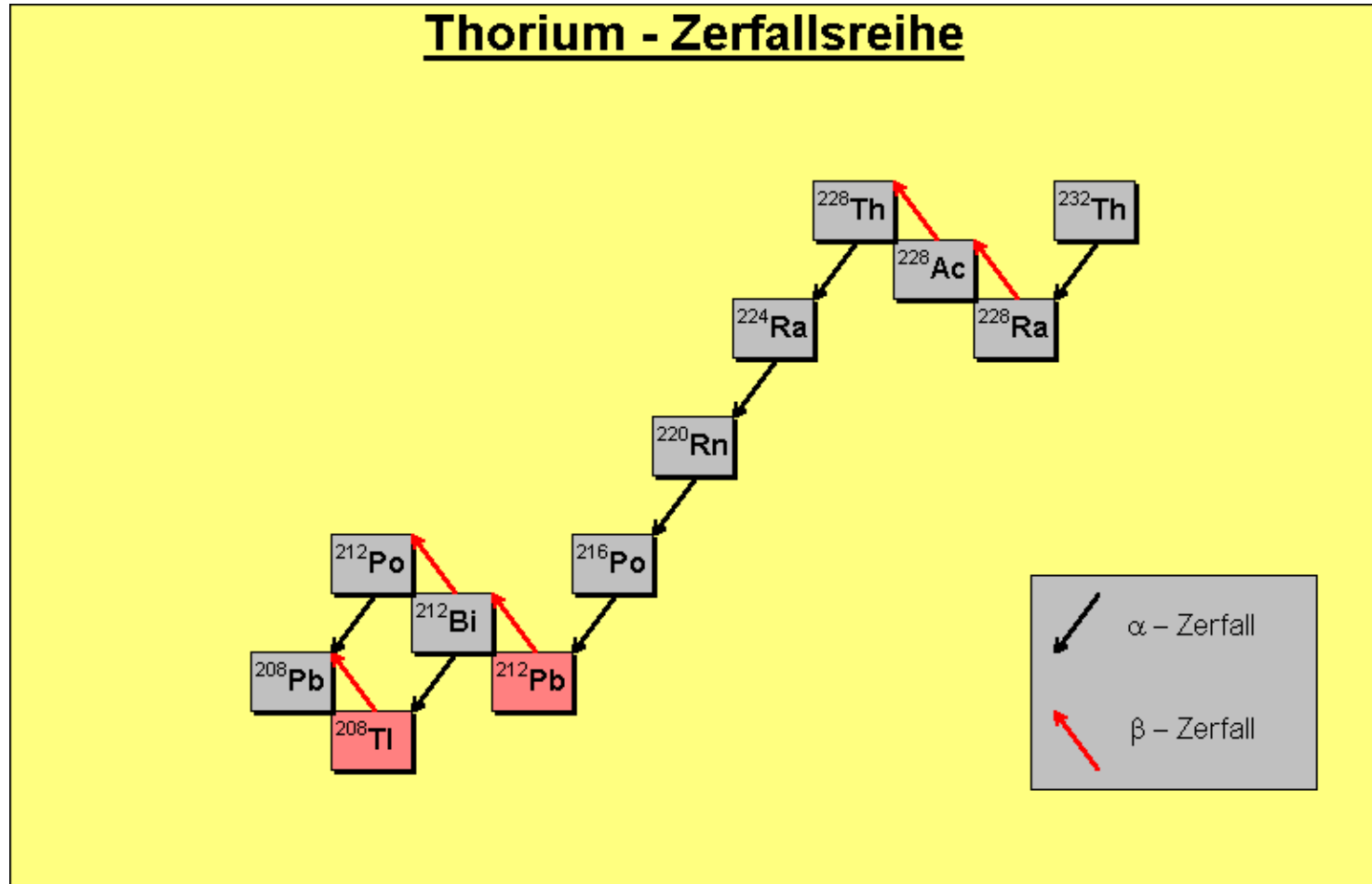
Name	Typ	Endkern	Startkern (langlebigster Kern)	$T_{1/2}$ (Startk.) in Jahren
Thorium	4n	^{208}Pb	^{232}Th	1.41×10^{10}
Neptunium	4n+1	^{209}Bi	^{237}Np	2.14×10^6
Uran	4n+2	^{206}Pb	^{238}U	4.47×10^9
Actinium	4n+3	^{207}Pb	^{235}U	7.04×10^8

ausgestorben

Uran Zerfallsreihe



Thorium Zerfallskette



Technical challenge for Borexino & KamLAND

extreme requirements on radiopurity of scintillator

$$^{14}\text{C} / ^{12}\text{C} < 10^{-18}$$

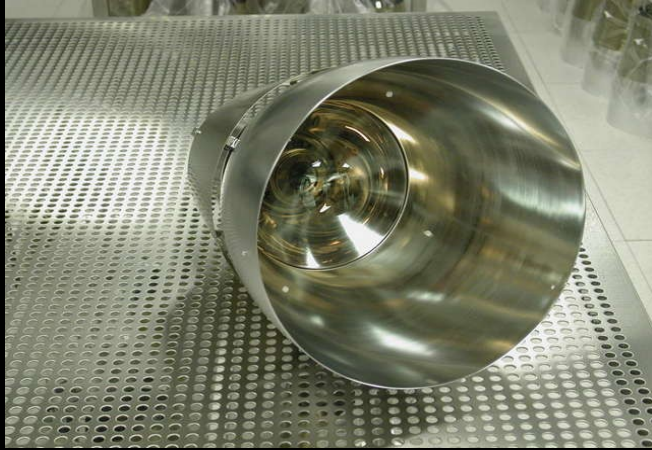
for 1 background event/ day/100t
within (250 - 800 keV):

$$\text{U} < 2 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ g/g}$$

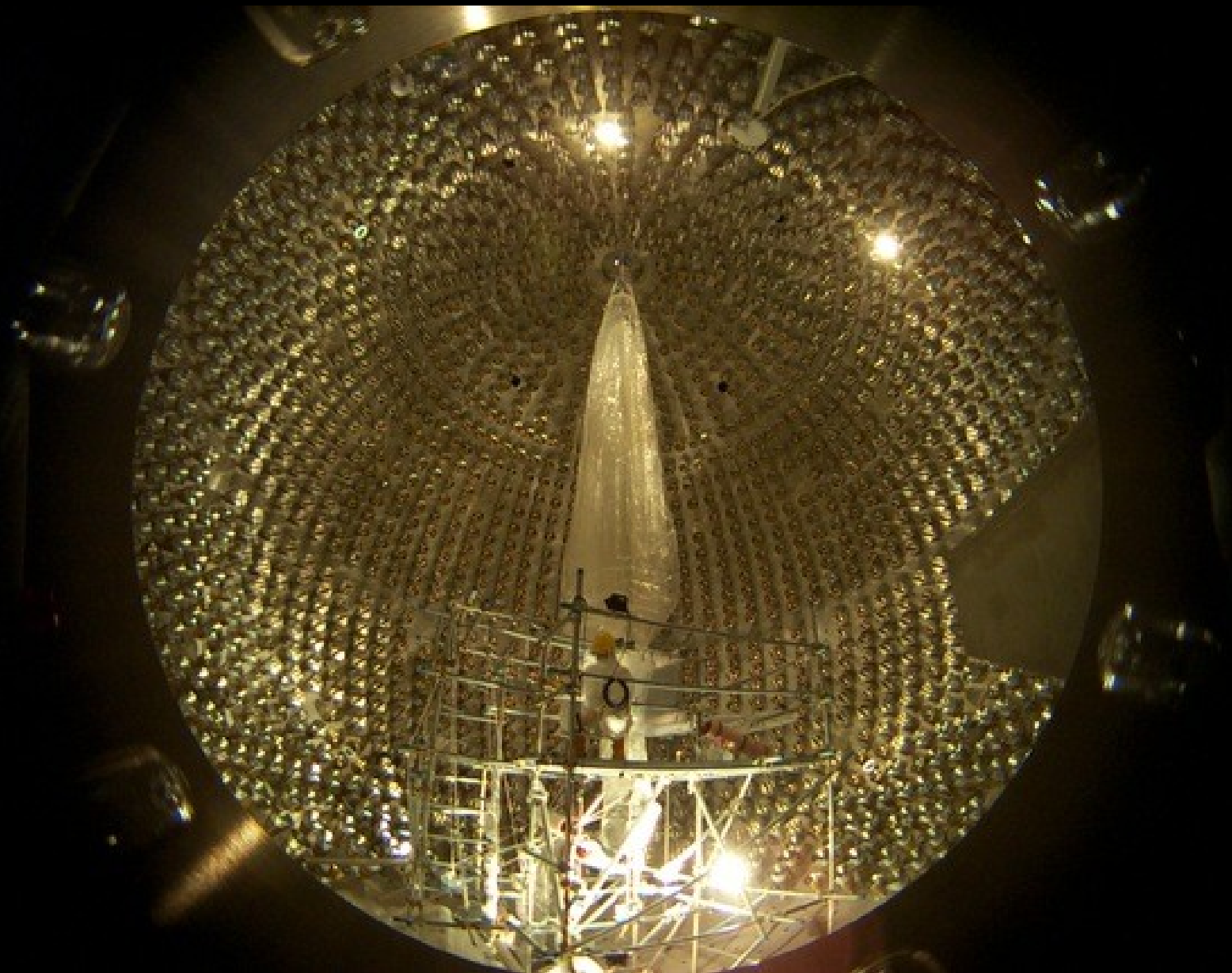
$$\text{Th} < 6 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ g/g}$$

$$\text{K} < 8 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ g/g}$$

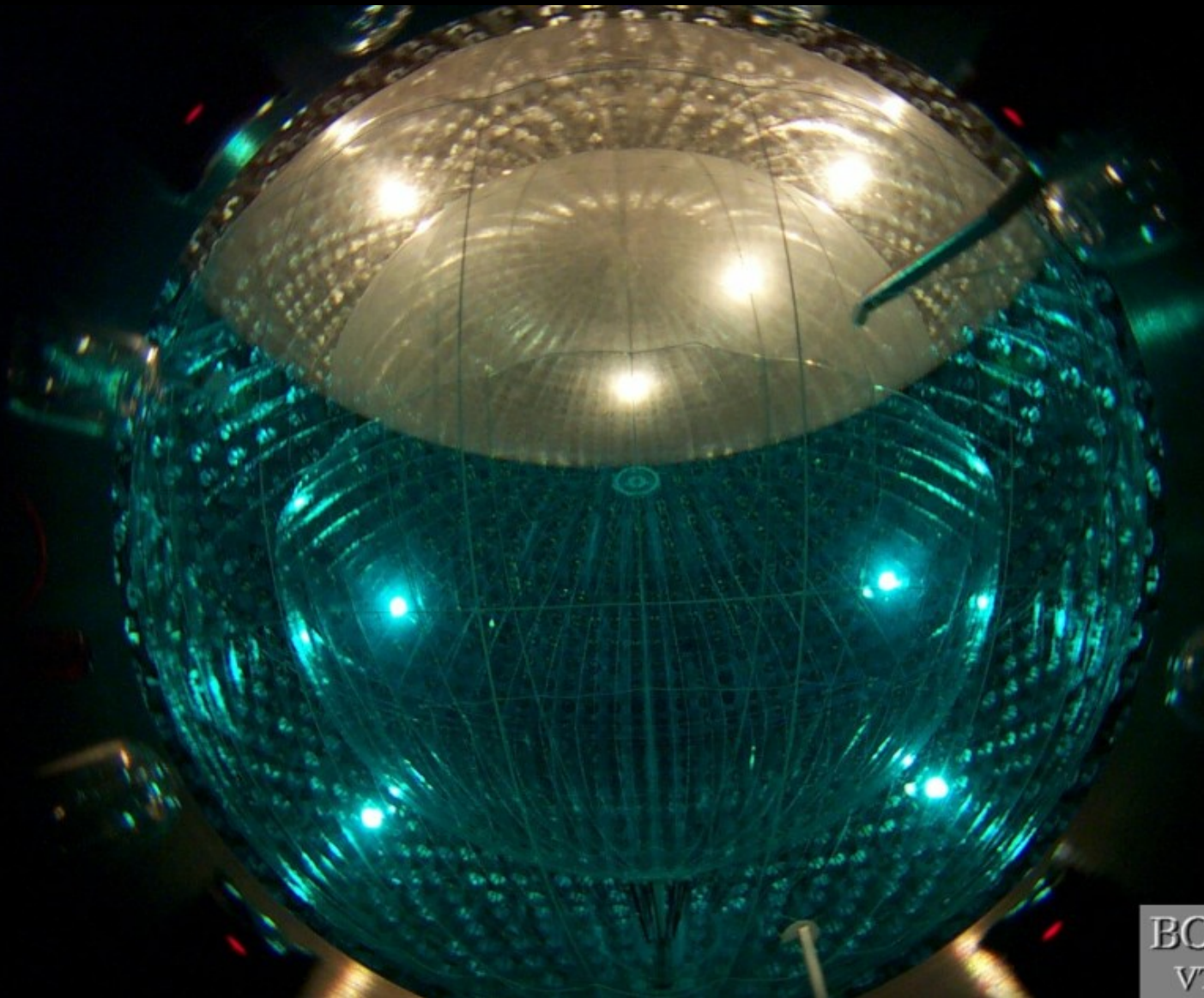
Mounting of Borexino photomultipliers with light concentrators







Installation of the 2 inner nylon spheres



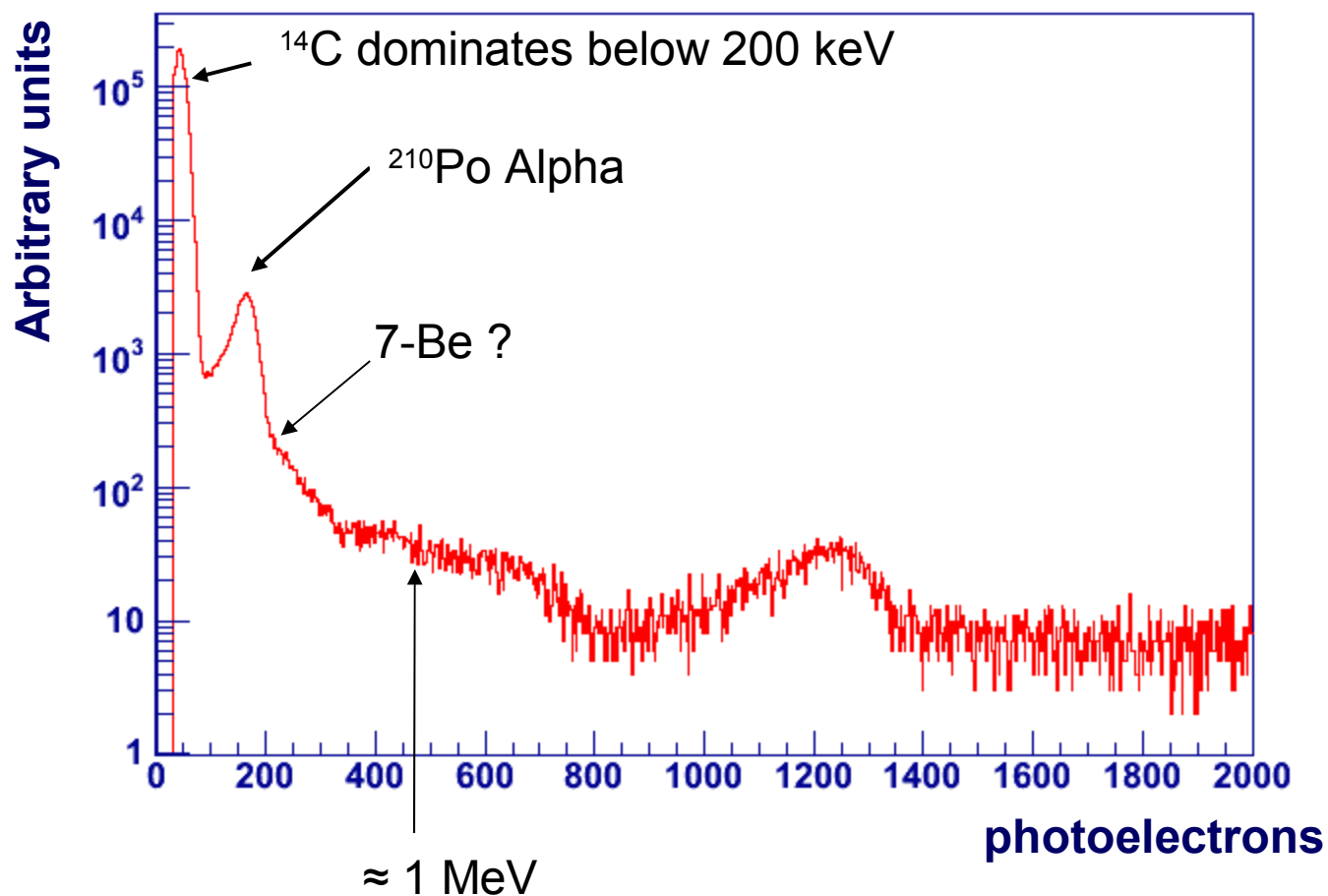
Borexino during filling phase (scintillator in upper part, ultra pure water in lower part)



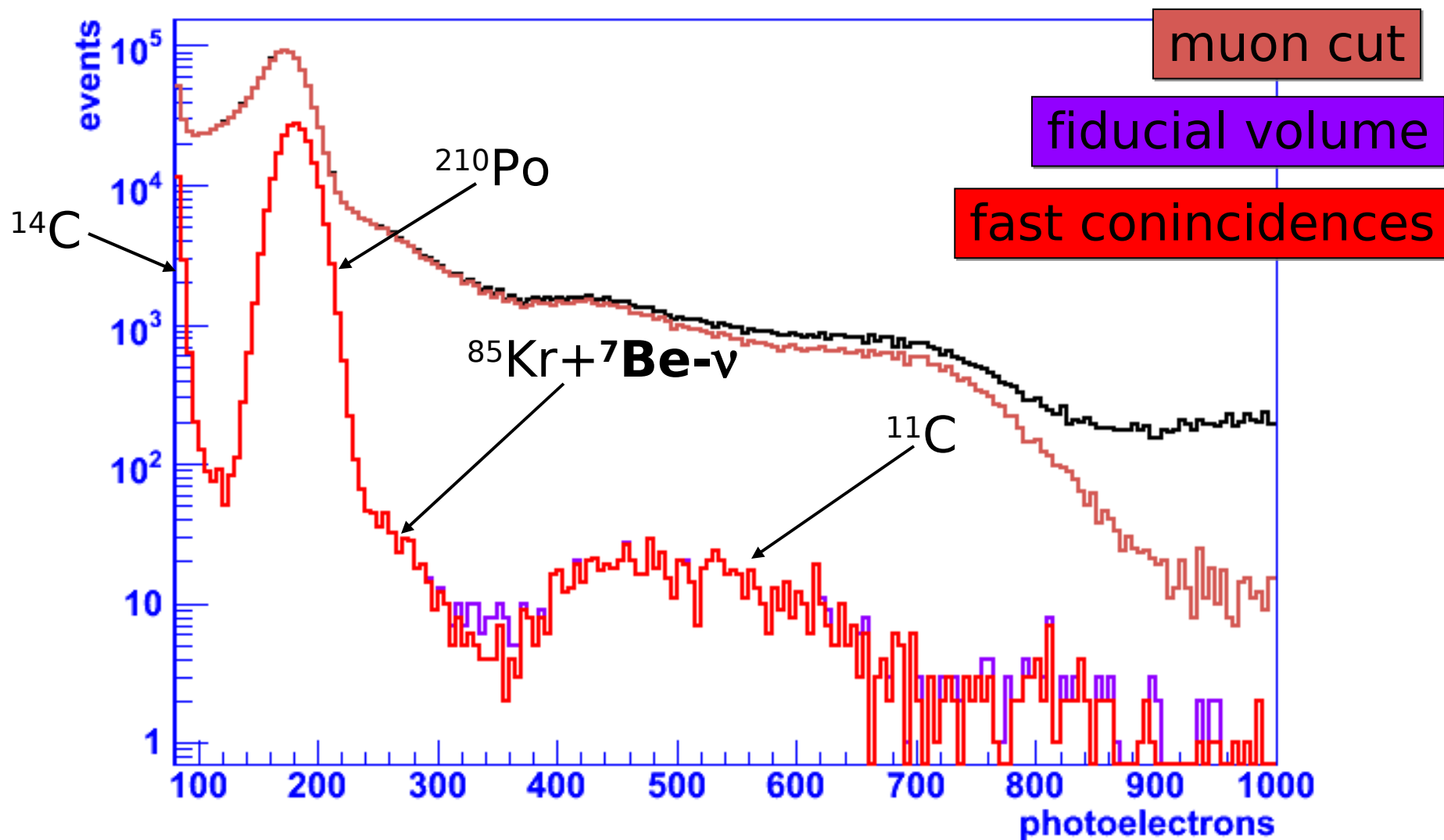
BOREXINO
VT Calibration

Scintillator filling completed May 15, 2007

Borexino: raw data, without cuts

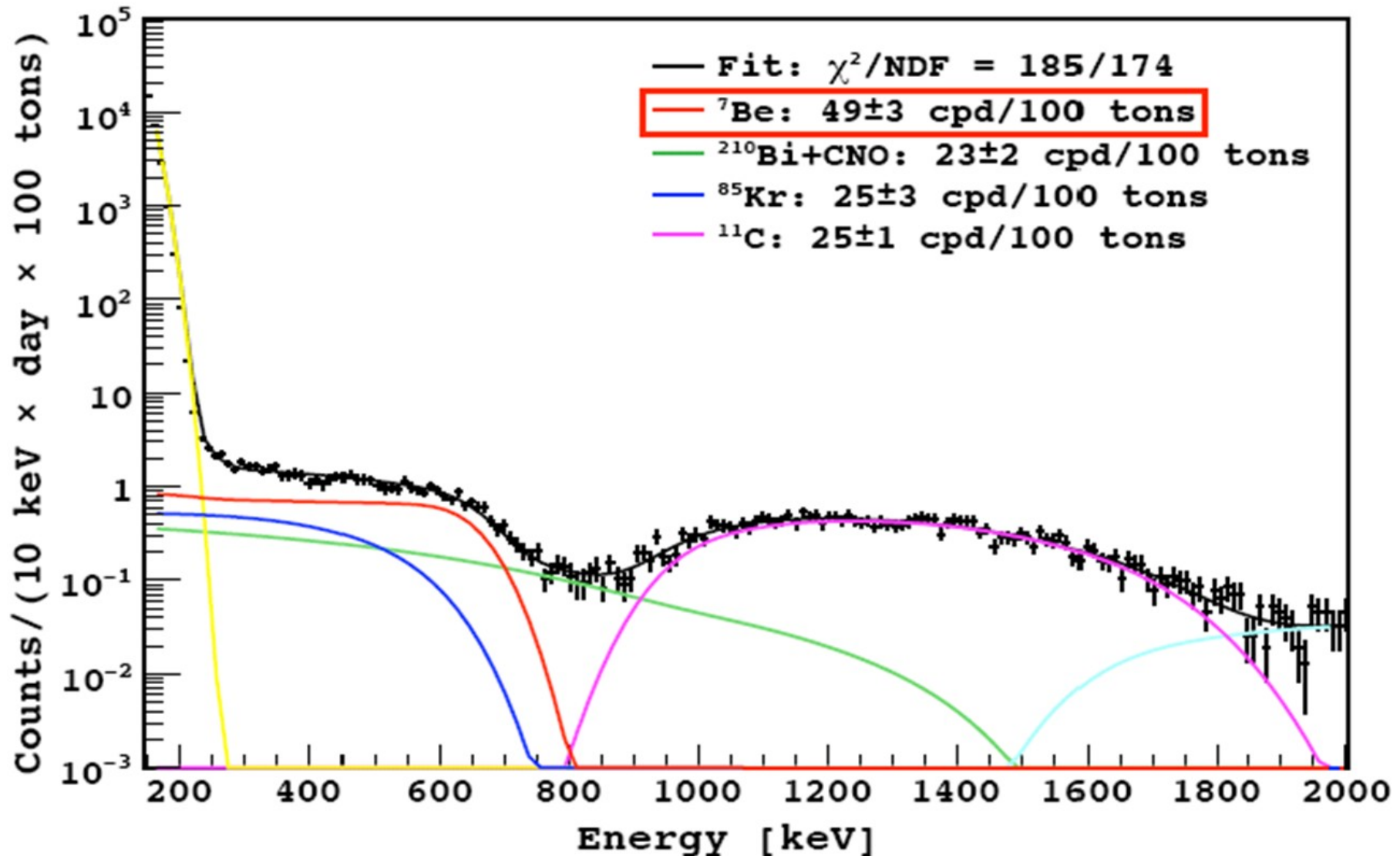


Borexino: Spectrum after cuts





Borexino: result



PRL 101:091302 (2008).

arXiv:0805.3843

Astroteichenschule 2009

Borexino result: what does it mean?

$$49 \pm 3_{\text{stat}} \pm 4_{\text{sys}} \text{ cpd/100 t}$$

Prediction of standard solar model:

No oscillation $75 \pm 5 \text{ cpd/100 t}$

Oscillation (LMA):

„high metallicity“ $48 \pm 4 \text{ cpd/100 t}$

„low metallicity“ $44 \pm 4 \text{ cpd/100 t}$

„No-Oscillation“ is excluded from BOREXINO alone with 4 sigma.

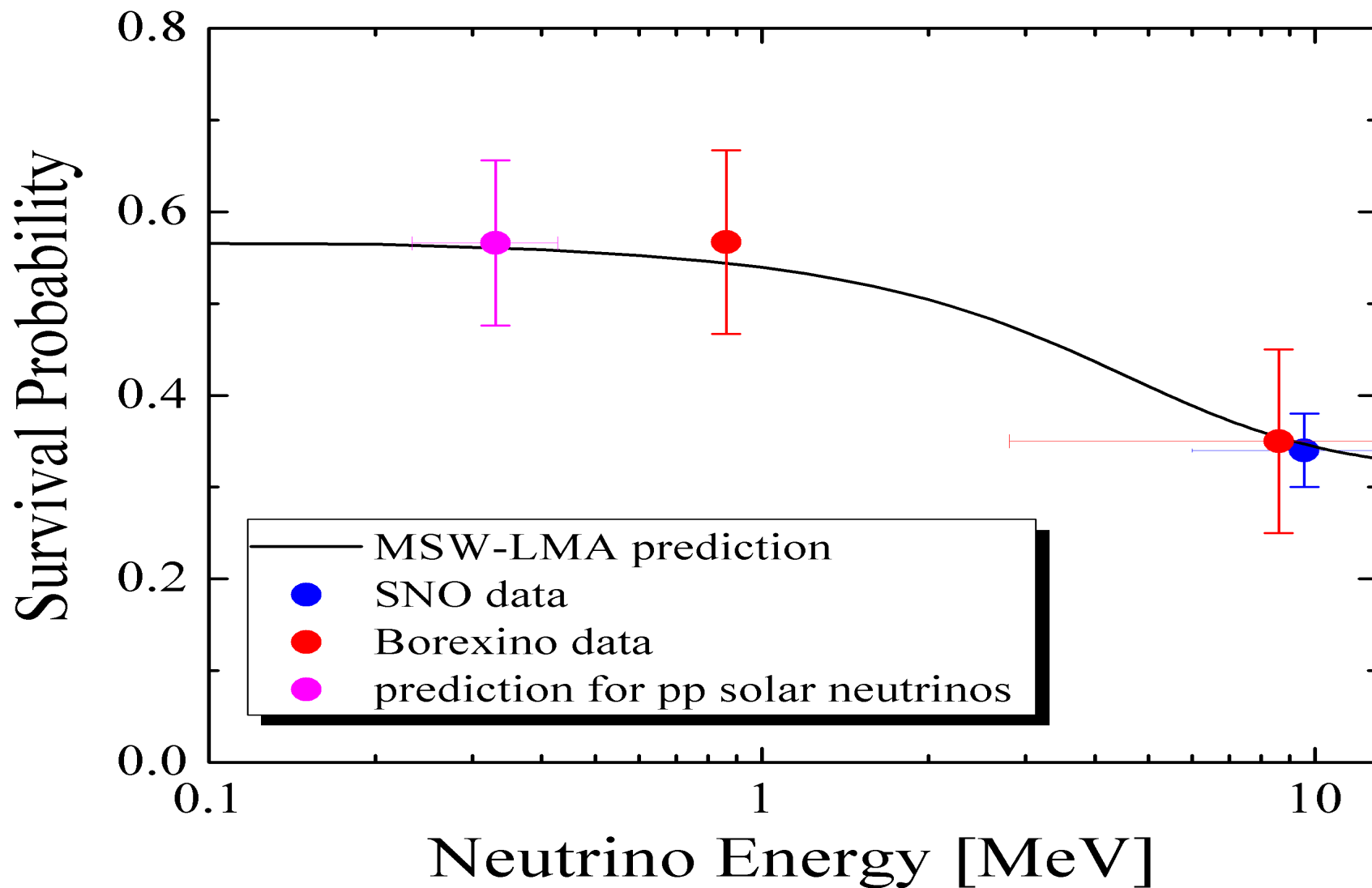
$$\phi(^7\text{Be}) = (5.18 \pm 0.51) \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$f(^7\text{Be}) = \phi(^7\text{Be}) / \phi_{\text{SSM}} = 1.02 \pm 0.10$$

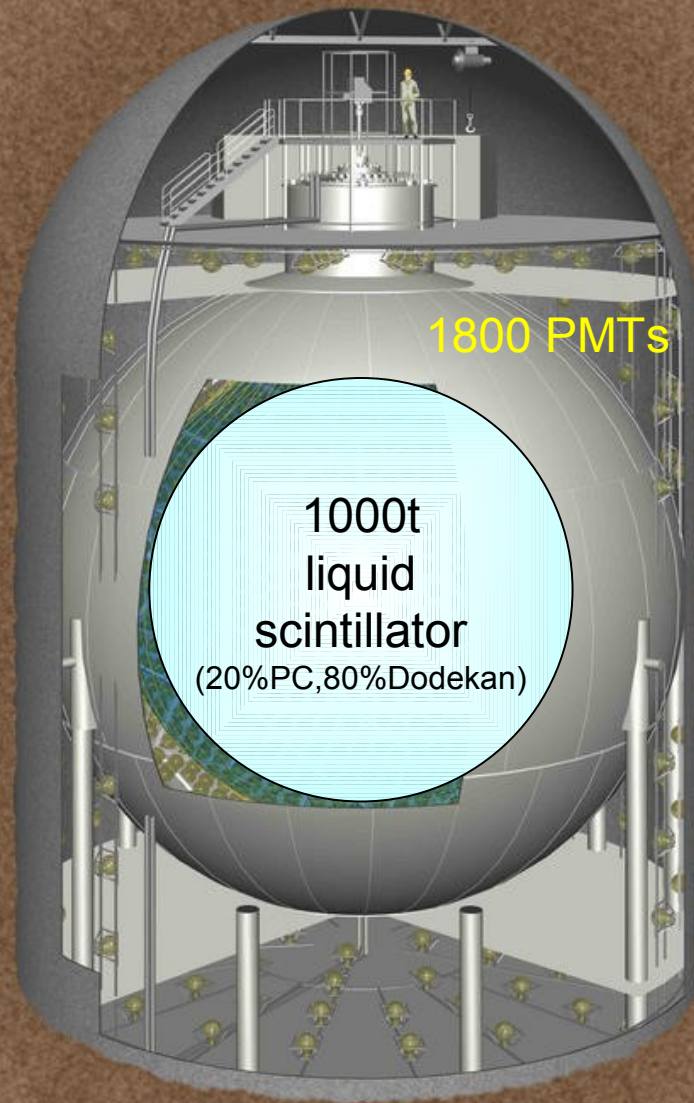
$$f(\text{pp}) = 1.005^{+0.008}_{-0.020}$$

$$f_{\text{CNO}} < 3.8\%$$

Testing the MSW hypothesis:



KAMLAND



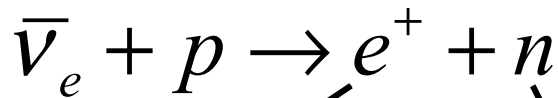
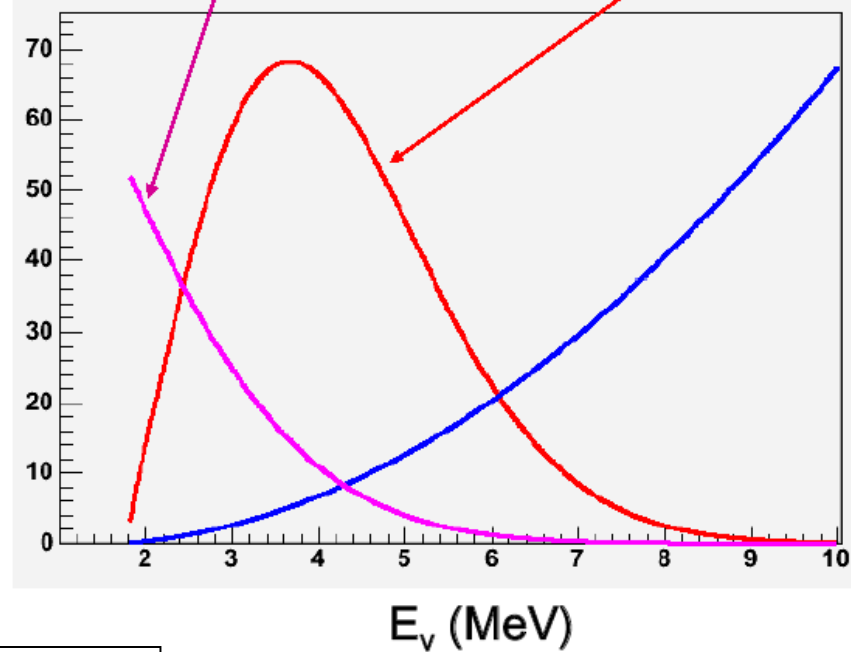
Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector

How to detect reactor neutrinos

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

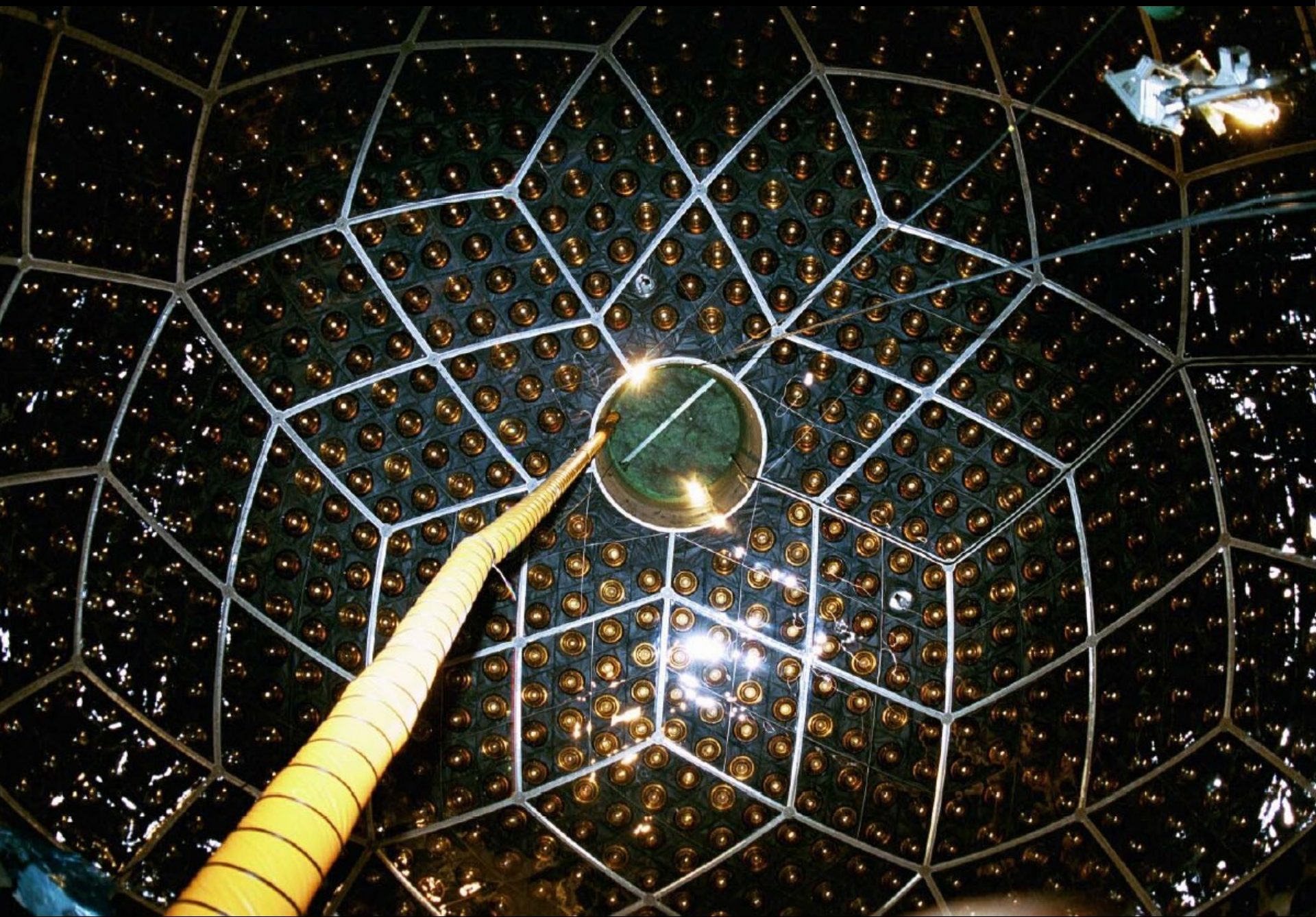
Observed spectrum (a.u.)

$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ cross
section (10^{-43} cm^2)



prompt signal
 $E_\nu - 0.8 \text{ MeV}$

delayed signal
 $n + p \rightarrow d + \gamma(2.2 \text{ MeV})$

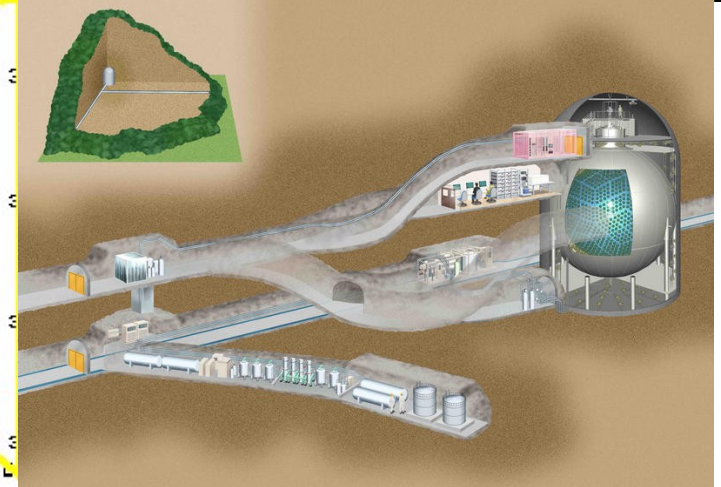


Reactor distances & event rates

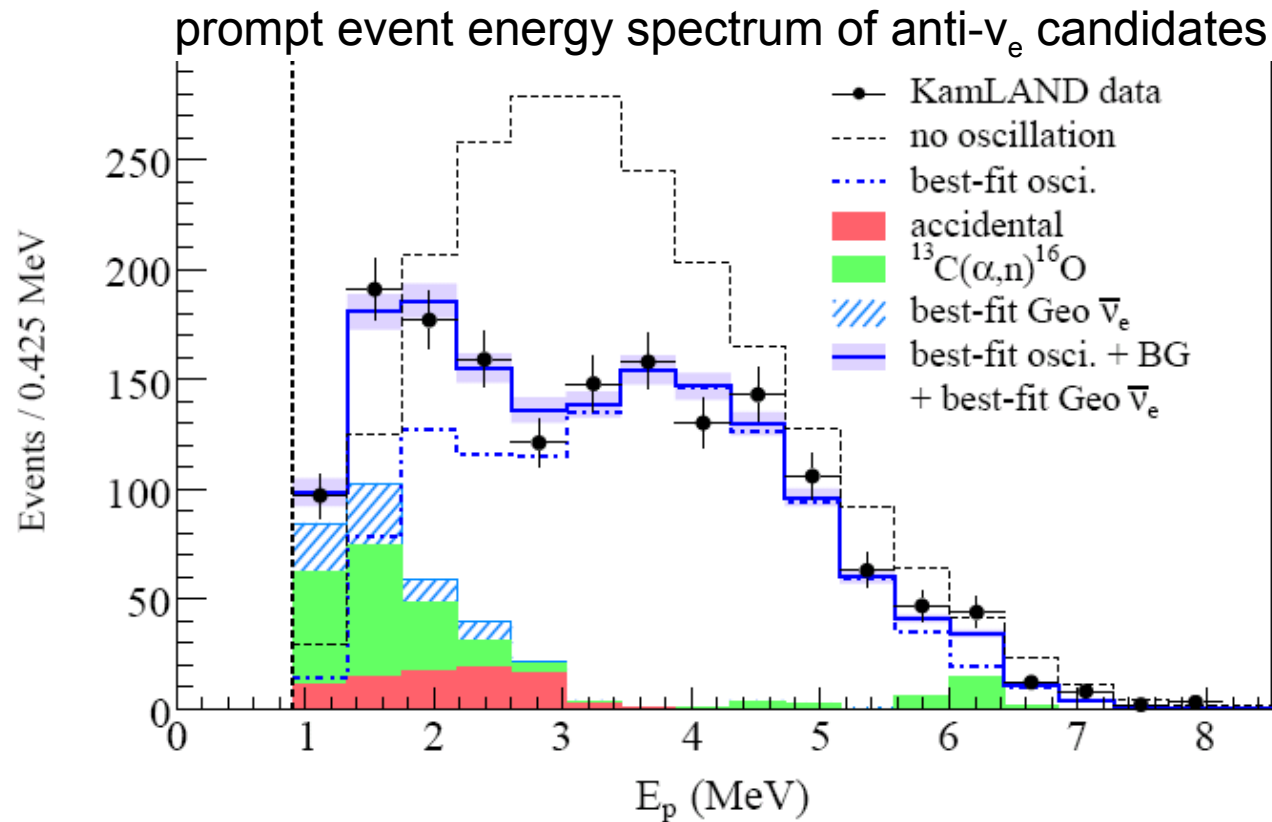
Average distance of reactors from Kamland: 180km



Site	Dist (km)	Rate noosc* (yr ⁻¹ kt ⁻¹)
Kashiwazaki	160	254.0
Ohi	179	114.3
Takahama	191	74.3
Tsuruga	138	62.5
Hamaoka	214	62.0
Mihama	146	62.0
Sika	88	55.2
Fukushima1	349	31.1
Fukushima2	345	29.5
Tokai2	295	10.1
Onagawa	431	9.3
Simane	401	6.3
Ikata	561	5.1
Genkai	755	4.8
Sendai	830	2.1
Tomari	783	1.4



KamLAND result (2008)



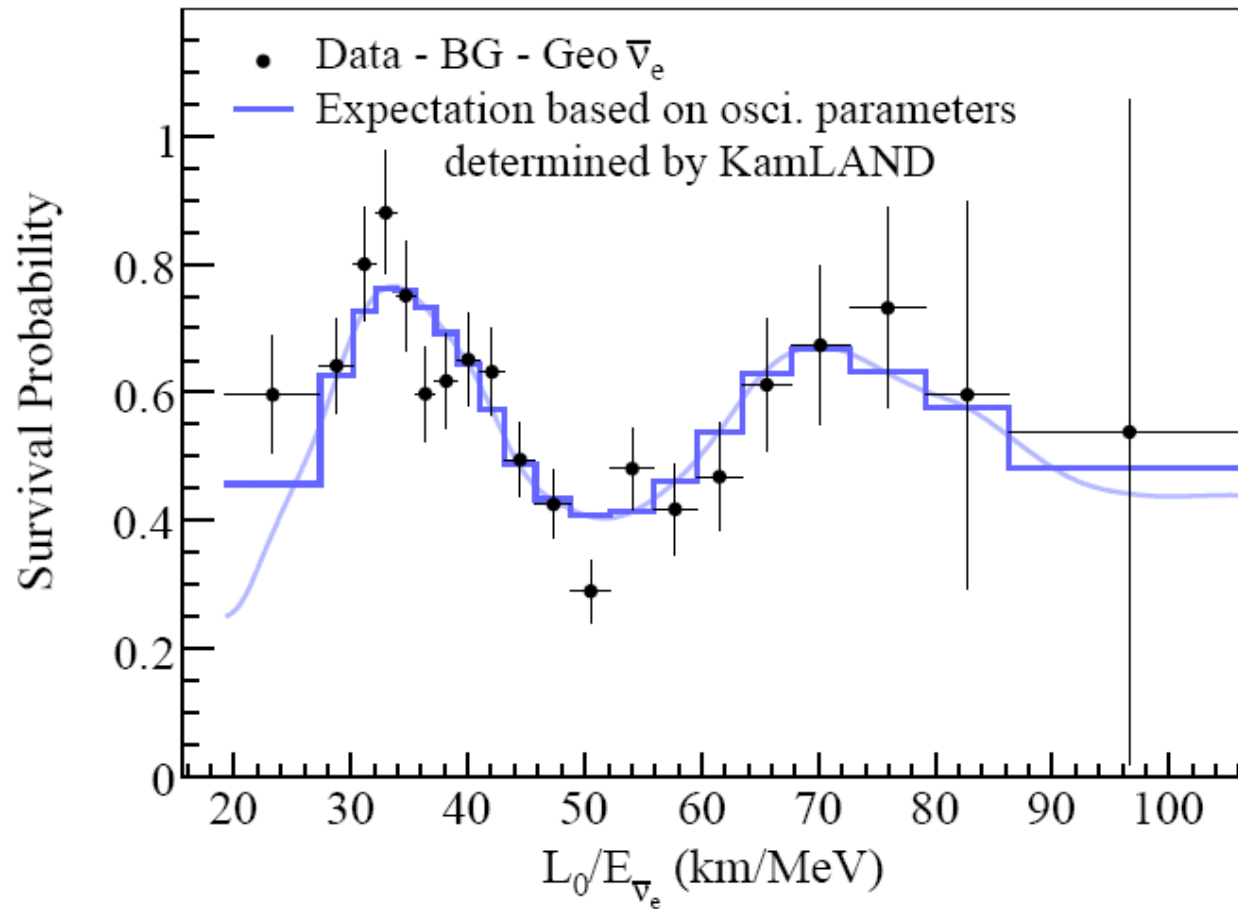
best fit: $\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.58_{-0.13}^{+0.14}(\text{stat})_{-0.15}^{+0.15}(\text{syst}) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.56_{-0.07}^{+0.10}(\text{stat})_{-0.06}^{+0.10}(\text{syst})$

„Precision Measurement of Neutrino Oscillation Parameters with KamLAND“, Phys.Rev.Lett.100:221803,2008

KamLAND result (2008)

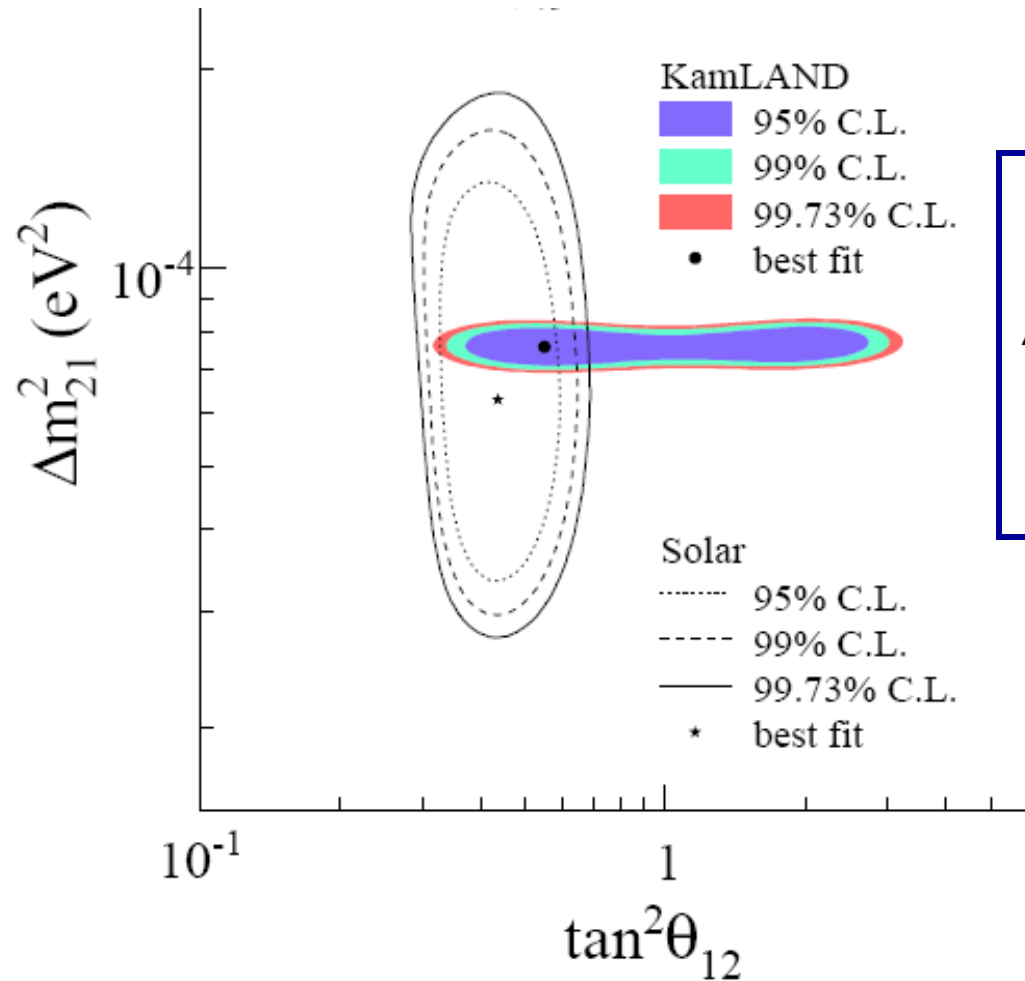
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L_0 is the „effective“ baseline = flux-weighted average of distance = 180km

KamLAND result (2008)

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KamLAND + solar:

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.59^{+0.21}_{-0.21} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} = 0.47^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$$

Design Study for a future detector for Low Energy Neutrino Astronomy (LENA)

- proton decay ($p \rightarrow K^+ \text{ anti-}\nu$)
- SN neutrinos
- diffuse SN neutrino background
- solar neutrinos
- geo neutrinos
- depending on site: reactor neutrinos
- possibility to use as detector for neutrino beam is studied

DETECTOR LAYOUT

Cavern

height: 115 m, diameter: 50 m
shielding from cosmic rays: $\sim 4,000 \text{ m.w}$

Muon Veto

plastic scintillator panels (on top)
Water Cherenkov Detector
1,500 phototubes
100 kt of water
reduction of fast neutron background

Steel Cylinder

height: 100 m, diameter: 30 m
70 kt of organic liquid
13,500 phototubes

Buffer

thickness: 2 m
non-scintillating organic liquid
shielding external radioactivity

Nylon Vessel

parting buffer liquid from liquid scintillator

Target Volume

height: 100 m, diameter: 26 m
50 kt of liquid scintillator

vertical design is favourable in terms of rock pressure and buoyancy forces

