

# Current status of T2K experiment

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# Introduction

Next goal of neutrino experiments...

To explore the neutrino oscillation phenomena beyond the discovery phase

## Mixing parameters

3 mass state(2mass difference)

$\Delta m_{12}^2$ : Solar  $\nu$  & Reactor experiments  $7 \sim 8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

$\Delta m_{23}^2$ : Atm.  $\nu$  & Long BaseLine experiments  $2 \sim 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

3 mixing angles & 1 CPV phase

Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata Matrix ( $U_{ij}$ )

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{\text{Weak}} U_{\alpha i} |\nu_i\rangle$$

Mass eigenstates

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Long baseline experiments

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Solar + Reactor)

Feb 21 2005  $\sin^2\theta = 0.2 \sim 0.3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

(Atm.  $\nu$ )  
 $\sin^2 2\theta \sim 1 (> 0.9)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\delta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix}$$

(Reactor)  
 $\sin^2 2\theta < 0.1 \sim 0.2$

# Remaining questions

- How close  $\theta_{23}$  to  $\pi/4$  ?

Atmospheric neutrino measurements

$$\sin^2 2\theta > 0.9 \text{ (Best fit } \sin^2 2\theta \sim 1, \Delta m^2 = 2\text{--}3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$$

Precise measurement of  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m^2_{23}$

- How large is 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> generation mixing?

Reactor experiment  $\theta_{13} > 0$  or  $\theta_{13} = 0$  ?

$$\sin^2 2\theta < 0.1\text{--}0.2 @ \Delta m^2 \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$$

Measurement of  $\theta_{13}$

- How large is the phase  $\delta$ ?

Search for the CP violation

- Mass Hierarchy?
- Does sterile neutrino exist?
- .....

# T2K(Tokai to Kamioka) long baseline neutrino oscillation experiment

Approved in Dec.2003

Conventional  $\nu_\mu$  beam

0.75MW beam (1<sup>st</sup> phase)

Baseline ~ 295km

Beam energy ~ 1GeV

Will be adjusted to  
the oscillation maximum



	Beam power	Far detector	Physics
1 <sup>st</sup> phase	0.75MW	Super Kamiokande(50kt)	$\nu_\mu$ disappearance $\nu_e$ appearance NC measurements
2 <sup>nd</sup> phase	~4MW	Hyper Kamiokande(1Mt)	CP violation Proton decay

# T2K collaboration

- Japan

KEK, ICRR, U. Tokyo, Tohoku U., Hiroshima U., Kyoto U., Kobe U., Osaka City U., Miyagi U. of Education

- USA

UCI, SUNY-SB, U. Rochester, U. Pennsylvania, Boston U., CSU, Duke U., Dominguez Hills, BNL, UCB/LBL, U. Hawaii, ANL, MIT, LSU, LANL, U. Washington

- Korea

Seoul National U., Chonnam National U., Dongshin U., kangwon U., Kyungpook National U., KyuSang National U., SungKyunKwan U., Yonsei U.

- Poland

Warsaw U.

- Spain

U. Barcelona, U. Valencia

- Switzerland

U. Geneva

- Russia

INR

- Italy

U. Roma, U. Bari, U. Napoli, U. Padova

- France

CEA Saclay

- Canada

TRIUMF, U. Alberta, York U., U. Toronto, U. Victoria, U. Regina

- China

IHEP (Inst. of High Energy Phys.)

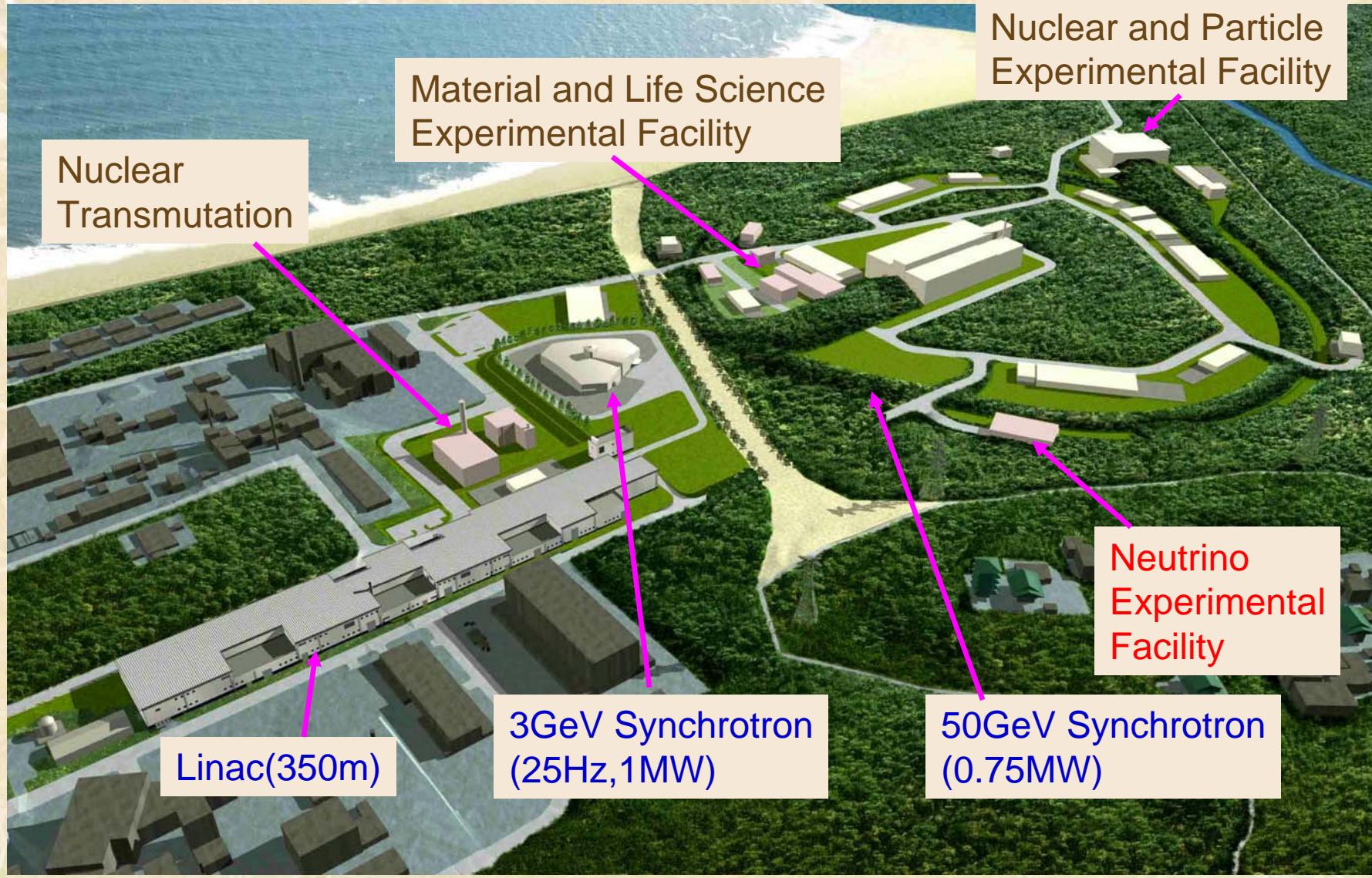
- UK

RAL, Imperial College London, Queen Mary Westfield College London, U. Liverpool

- Formed in May 2003
- 12 countries, 53 institutions
- ~150 collaborators (not incl. students)

# J-PARC overview

J-PARC=Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex



# Construction status

Apr. 2001: J-PARC Phase 1 construction was started

Dec.2003: Neutrino experiment was approved!



3GeV Synchrotron  
(Jan 05)



50GeV Synchrotron (Jan 05)



In 2008, accelerator will be in operation.  
Start  $\nu$  experiment physics run in 2009!

# Neutrino beam line

Proton beam kinetic energy  
50GeV (40GeV@T=0)

# of protons / pulse  
 $3.3 \times 10^{14}$

Beam power  
750kW

Bunch structure  
8 bunches

Bunch length (full width)  
58ns

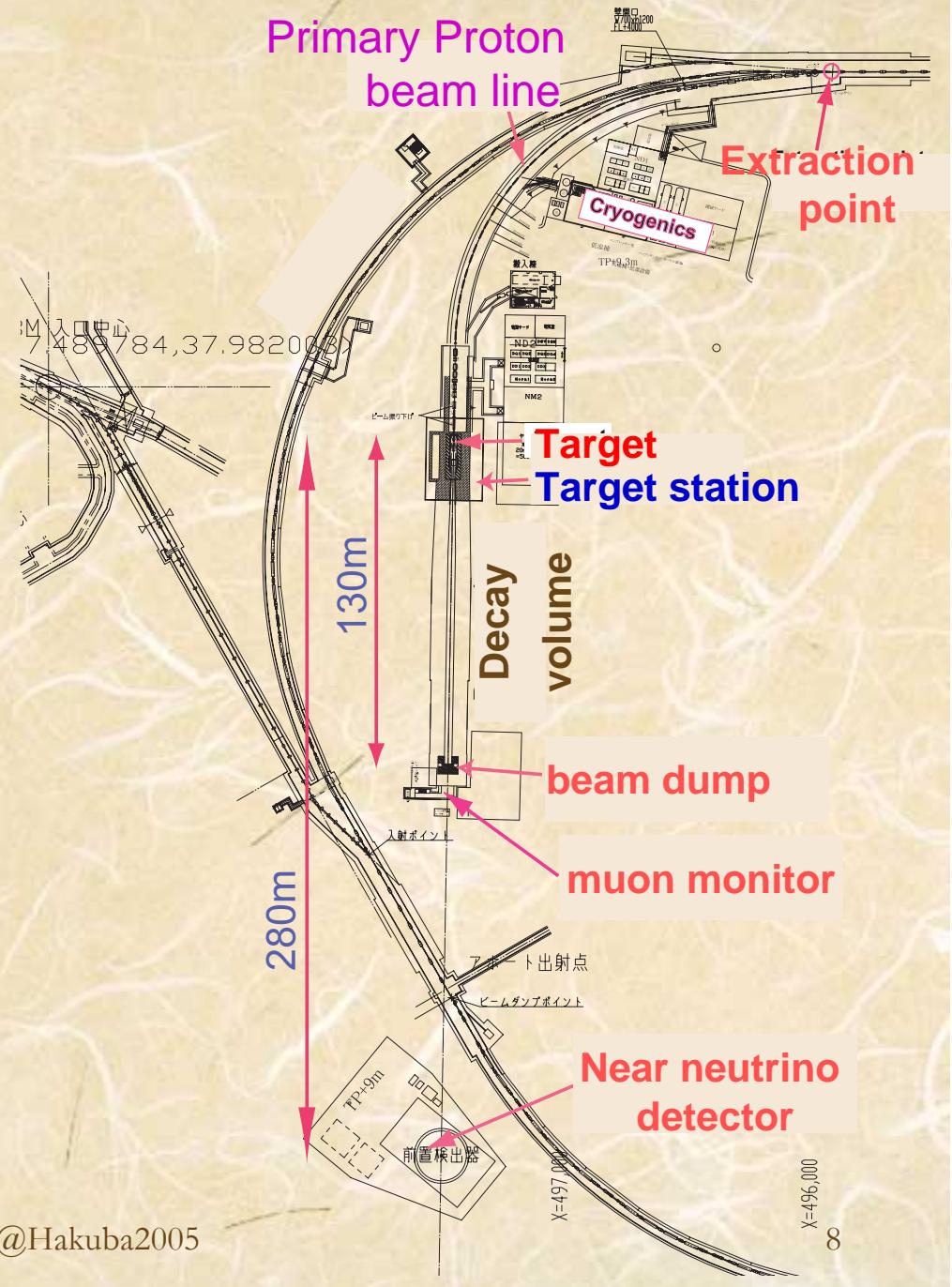
Bunch spacing  
598ns

Spill width  
~5μs

Cycle  
3.53sec

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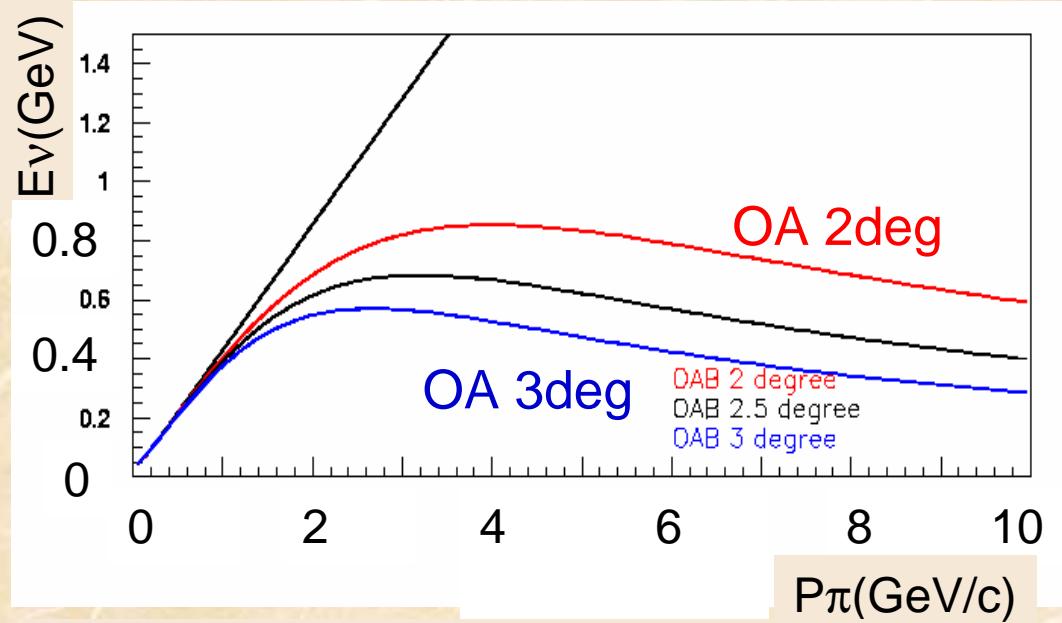
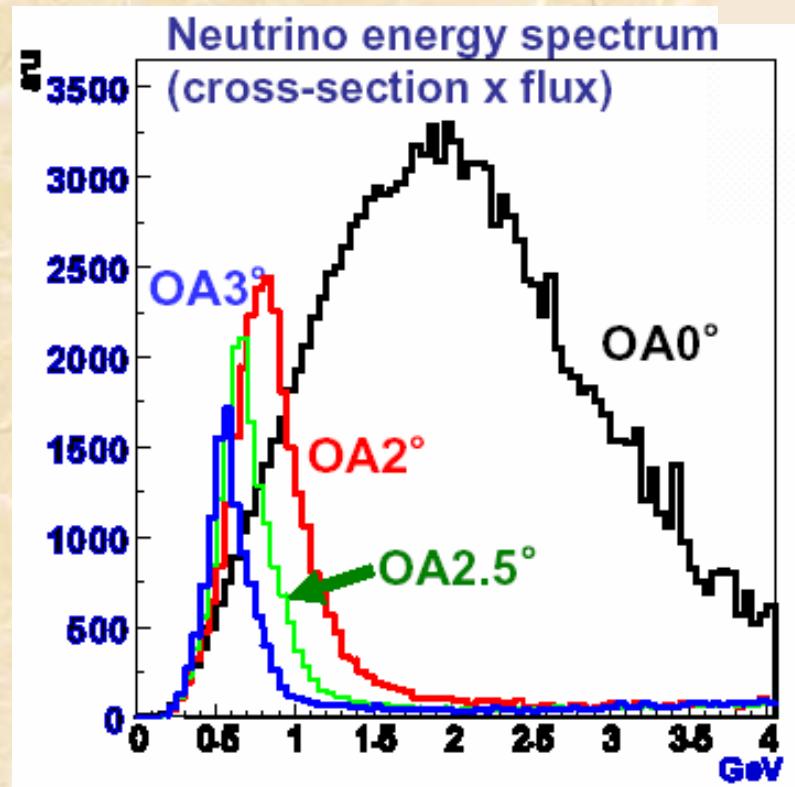
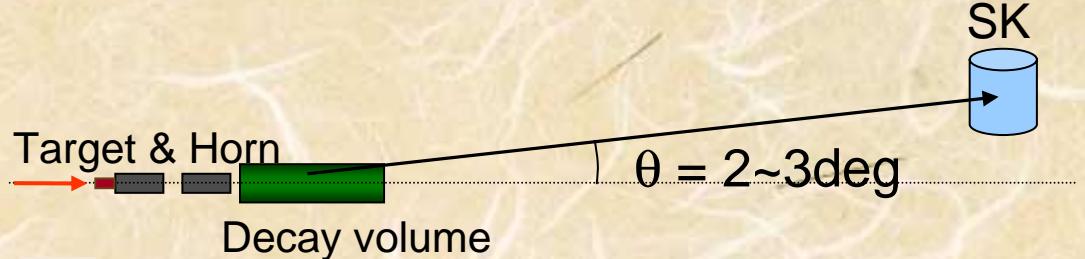
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# Off-axis beam(2-3deg)

(Ref.;BNL-E889 proposal:  
<http://minos.phy.bnl.gov/nwg/papers/E889>)

- Quasi-monochromatic beam
- Beam energy is tunable to maximize the sensitivity!

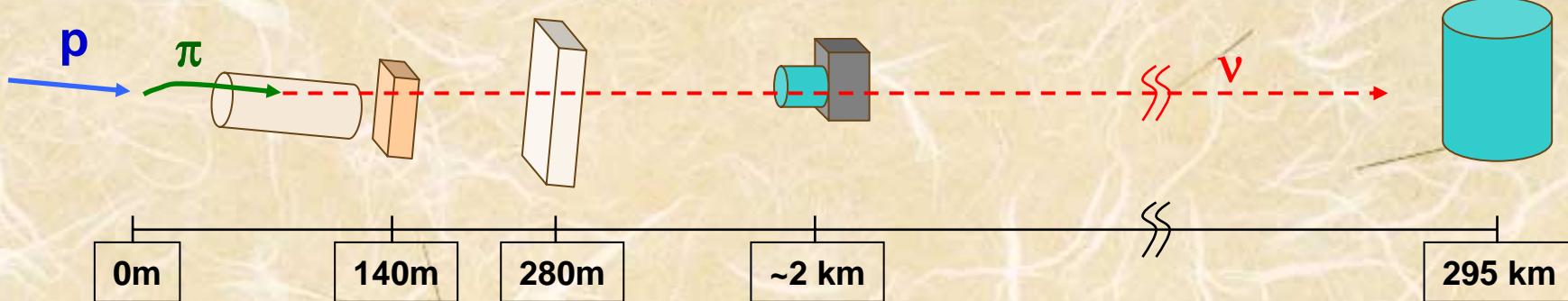


Expected # of interactions @ SK  
(OA 2deg)

$\nu_\mu$  total : ~4500/22.5kt/yr  
CC : ~3000/22.5kt/yr

$\nu_e$  ~0.2% at  $\nu_\mu$  peak

# Schematic view of the detectors



Muon monitor @ ~140m

- First (spill-by-spill) monitoring of beam direction & intensity

First Front Detector @ 280m

- Neutrino energy spectrum, intensity and direction
- Study neutrino interaction

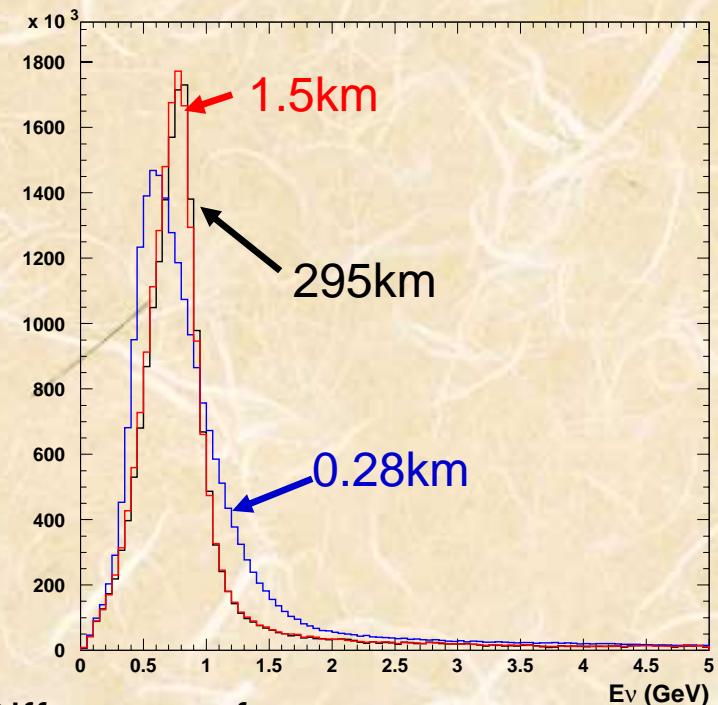
(Second Front Detector @ ~2km)

- Almost same  $E\nu$  spectrum as for SK

Far Detector @ 295km

- Super-Kamiokande(50kt)

Neutrino spectra at different distance

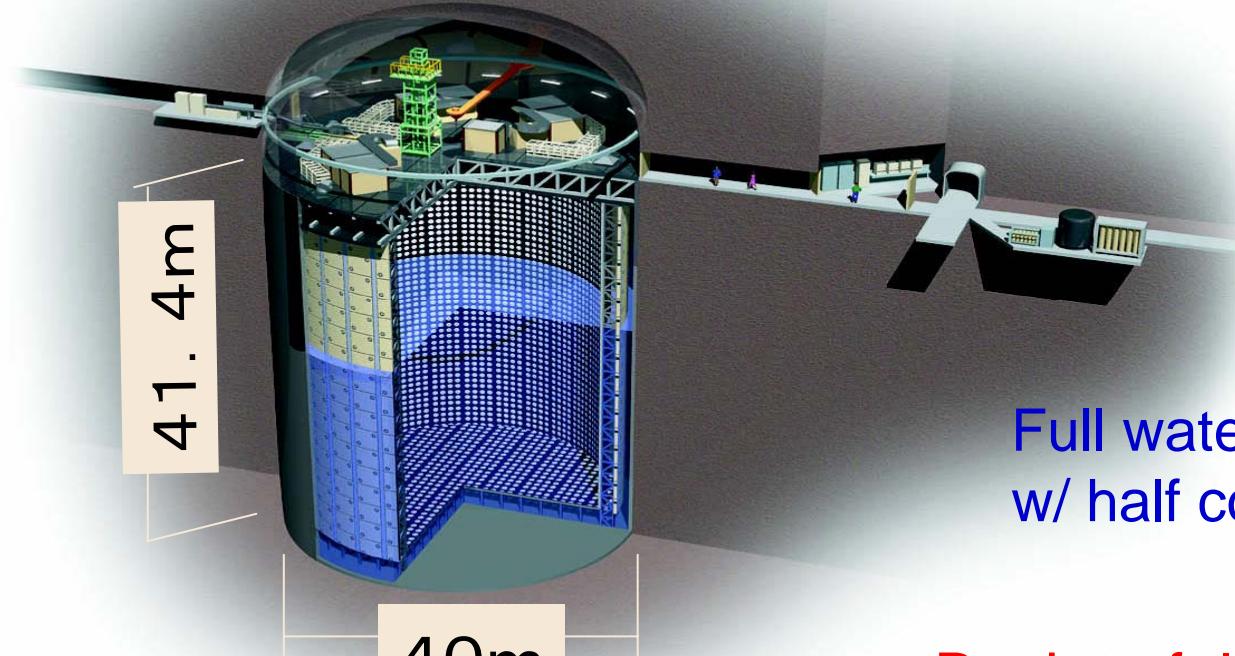


Difference of spectra

→ Dominant systematic error in K2K

# Far detector Super-Kamiokande

50,000 ton water Cherenkov detector  
(22.5.kt fiducial volume)



Full water 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2002  
w/ half coverage(20%)

Back to full coverage(40%)  
Scheduled in winter 2005

# Physics Goal at the 1<sup>st</sup> phase(5yrs)

- Precise measurement of neutrino mixing matrix  
 $\nu_\mu$  disappearance ( $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_x$ )

Accuracy:  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} \dots \dots 1\%$

$\Delta m^2_{23} \dots \dots \text{a few \%} (< 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{eV}^2)$

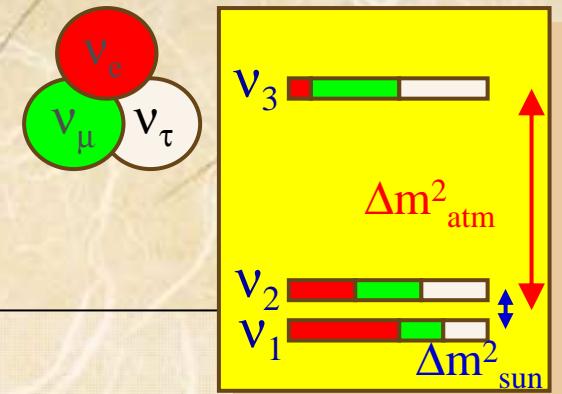
- Discovery and measurement of non-zero  $\theta_{13}$   
 $\nu_e$  appearance ( $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ )

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \dots \dots > 0.006$

1<sup>st</sup> evidence of 3-flavor mixing!

1<sup>st</sup> step of a CP measurement

# 3-flavor Oscillation



**Oscillation Probabilities** when  $\Delta m_{12}^2 \ll \Delta m_{23}^2 \approx \Delta m_{13}^2$

➤  $\theta_{23}$ :  $v_\mu$  disappearance

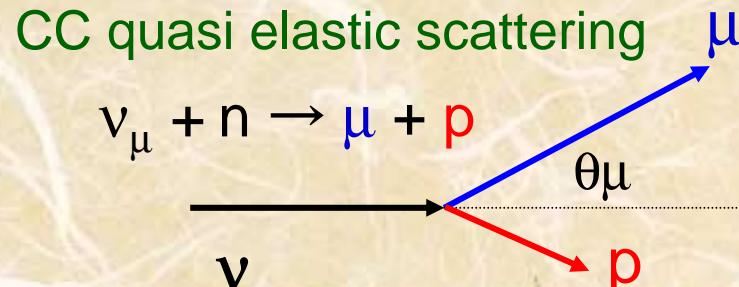
$$P_{\mu \rightarrow x} \approx 1 - \frac{\cos^4 \theta_{13}}{\sim 1} \cdot \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \cdot \sin^2 (1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 L / E_\nu)$$

➤  $\theta_{13}$ :  $v_e$  appearance

$$P_{\mu \rightarrow e} \approx \frac{\sin^2 \theta_{23}}{\sim 0.5} \cdot \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 (1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 L / E_\nu)$$

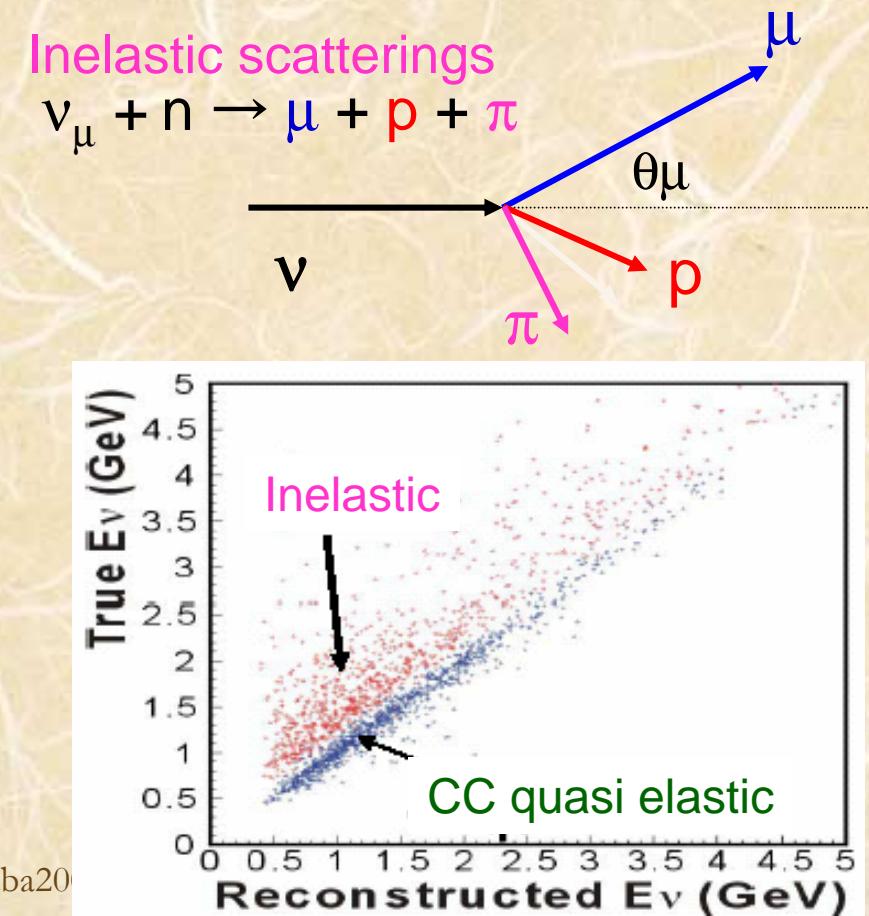
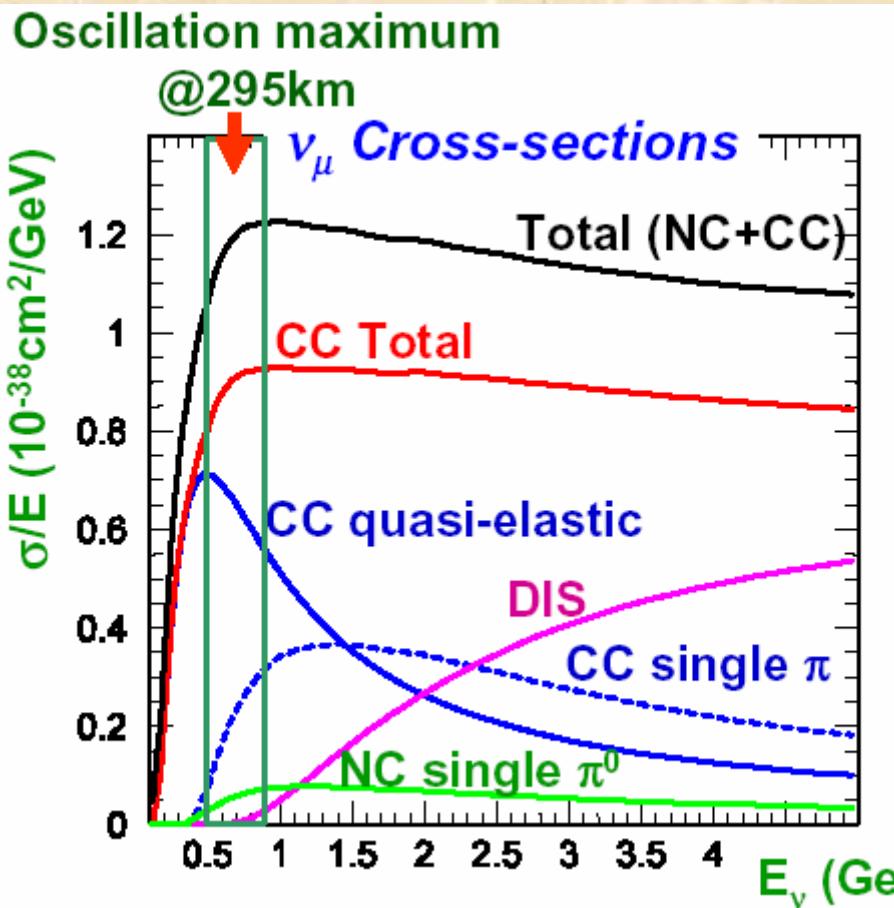
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# How to reconstruct neutrino energy



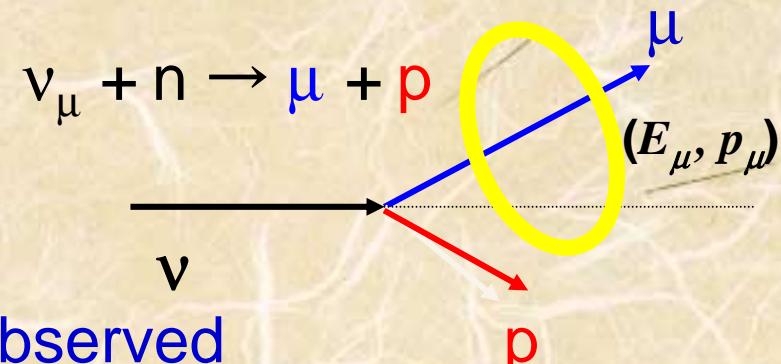
It is possible to reconstruct  $E_\nu$  from  $P_\mu$  and  $\theta_\mu$

$$E_\nu = \frac{m_N E_\mu - m_\mu^2 / 2}{m_N - E_\mu + p_\mu \cos \theta_\mu}$$



# Measurement of $\theta_{23}$ , $\Delta m_{23}^2$

Use 1 ring  $\mu$ -like events @ SK  
 (= quasi-elastic enriched sample)  
 to reconstruct neutrino energy



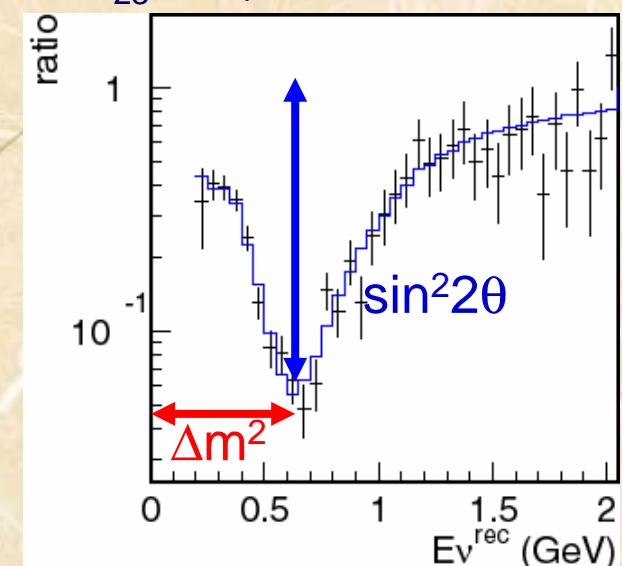
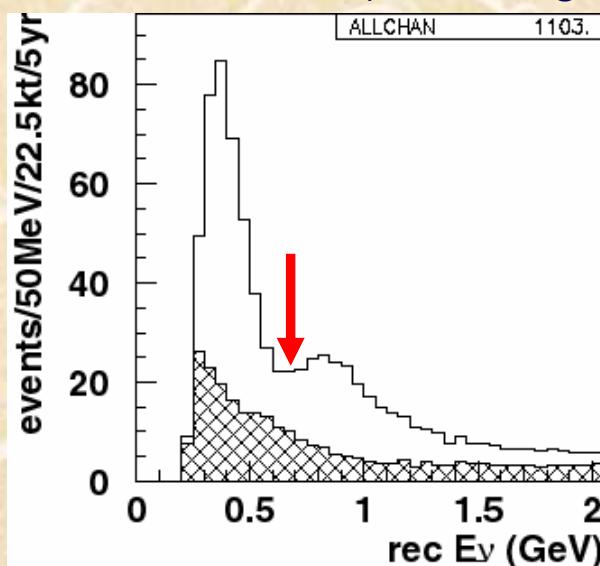
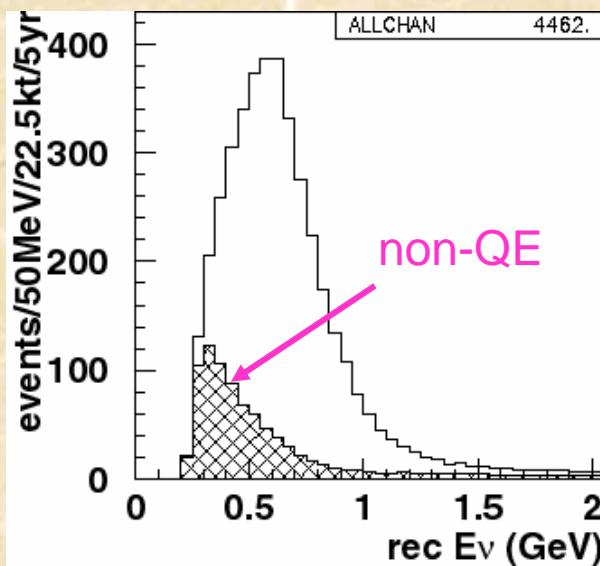
Clear deficit is expected to be observed  
 in the reconstructed  $\nu$  energy

~OA 2.5deg ~

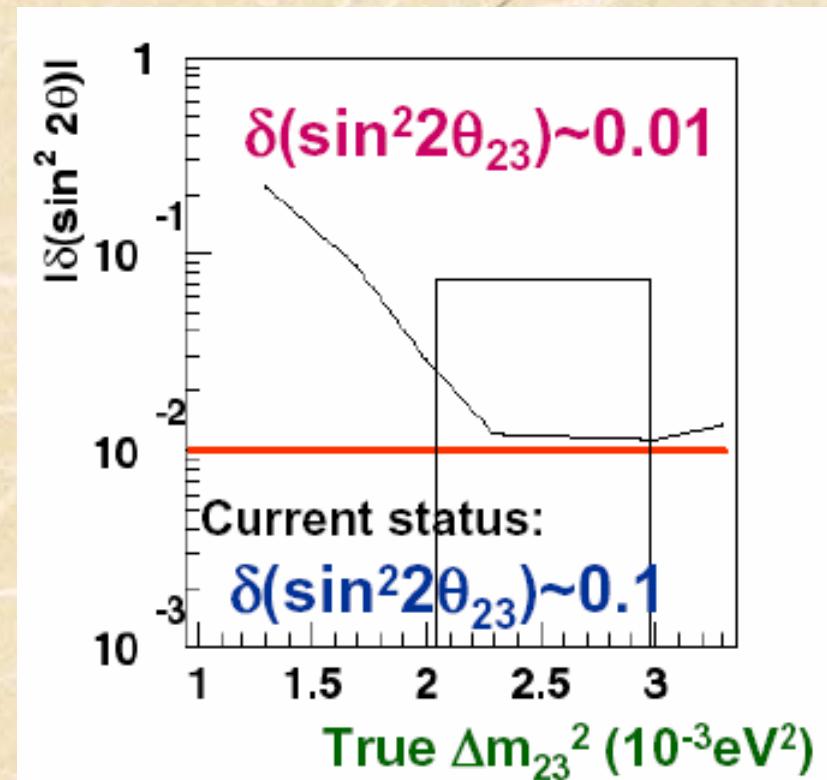
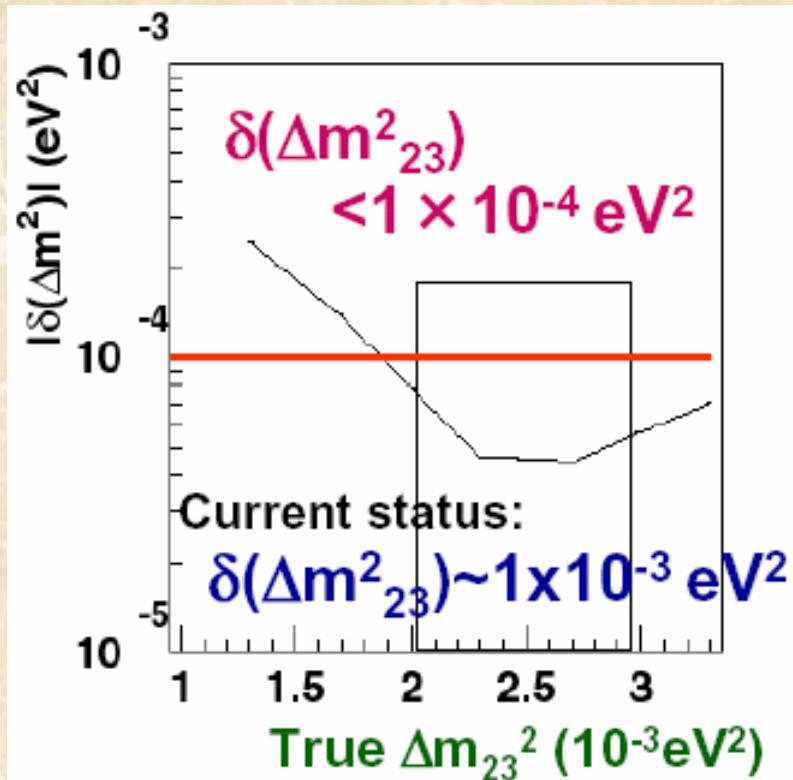
No oscillation

$$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

(assuming  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$ )



# Measurement of $\theta_{23}$ , $\Delta m_{23}^2$



Sensitivities in the 1<sup>st</sup> phase

$$\boxed{\delta(\Delta m_{23}^2) < 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}^2}$$
$$\delta(\sin^2 2\theta_{23}) \sim 0.01$$

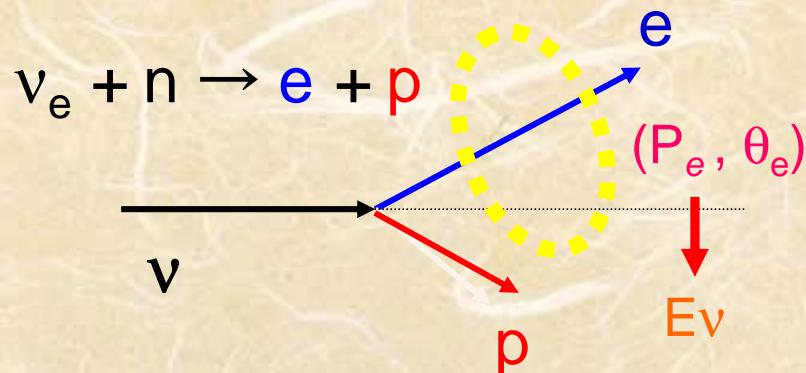
# $\nu_e$ appearance search

$\theta_{13}$  measurement

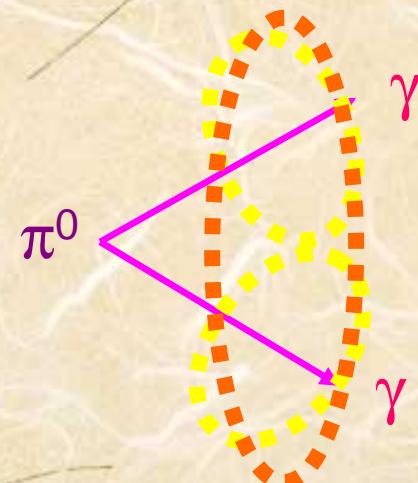
$$P_{\mu \rightarrow e} \approx \sin^2 \theta_{23} \cdot \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 \left( 1.27 \Delta m_{23}^2 L / E_\nu \right)$$

Upper limit:  $\sin^2 \theta_{13} < 0.03 \sim 0.05$  (@ $\Delta m^2 = 2 \sim 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ )

- Signal events @ SK  
single ring e-like event  
( $\nu_e$  CC quasi-elastic scattering)



- Possible background sources
  - 1) Beam  $\nu_e$   
 $\nu_e/\nu_\mu$  flux  $\sim 0.2\%$  (@peak)
  - 2)  $\pi^0$  production  
2-ring merged to 1-ring



# $\nu_e$ appearance search

## Expected # of background

### Event selection

- Select 1ring e-like events
- Apply  $\pi^0$  rejection cut
- Energy cut (around the oscillation maximum)

Assuming  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$ ,  $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

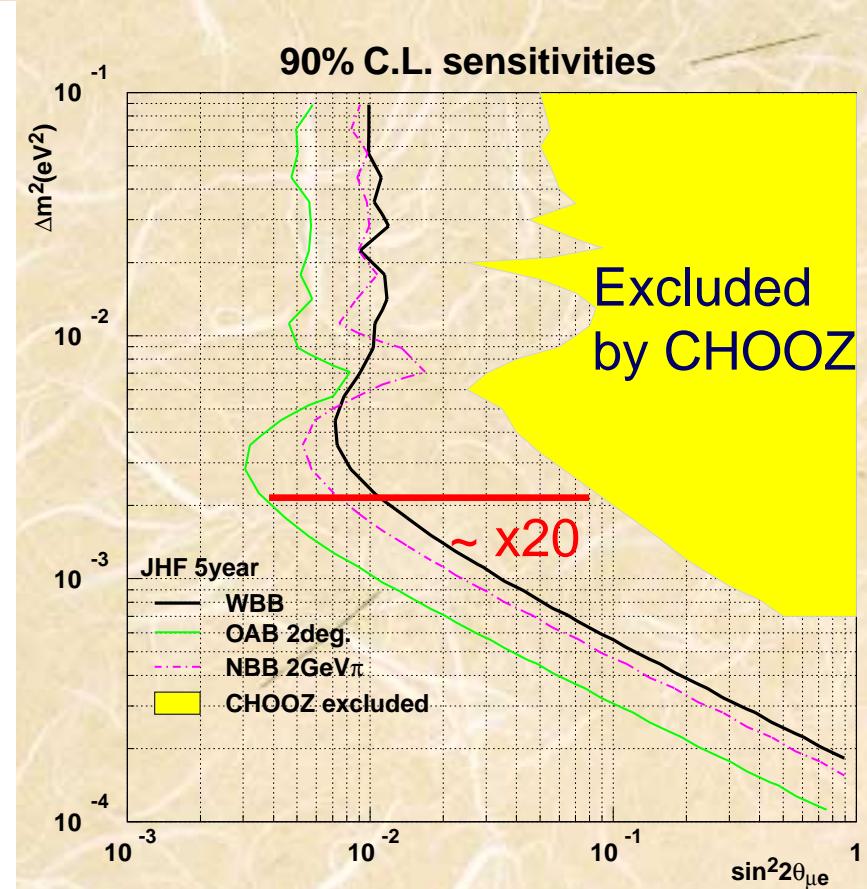
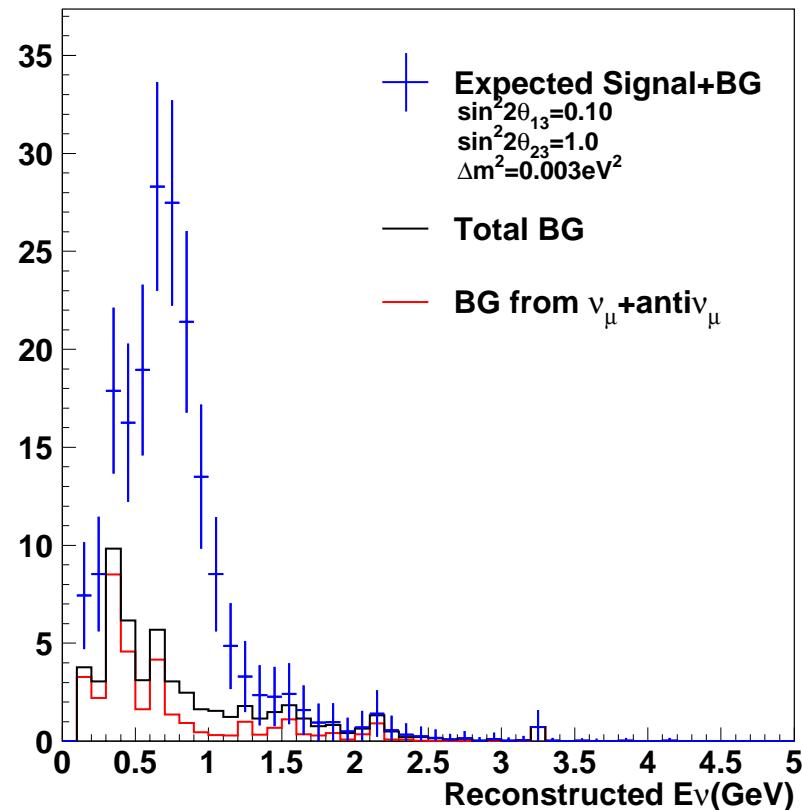
OA 2.5deg 5yrs	$\nu_\mu$ CC (oscillated)	$\nu_\mu$ NC			Beam $\nu_e$
		$1\pi^0$	coherent	DIS	
1) Generated in FV	2,897	432	71	2,410	225
2) 1ring e-like	5.9	74	22	41	64
3) e/ $\pi^0$ separate	0.8	14	2.6	4.3	26
4) $0.4 \text{ GeV} < E_\nu^{\text{rec}} < 1.2 \text{ GeV}$	0.4	6.3	0.8	1.9	16

# Sensitivities in the 1<sup>st</sup> phase(5yrs)

Search for  $\nu_e$  appearance

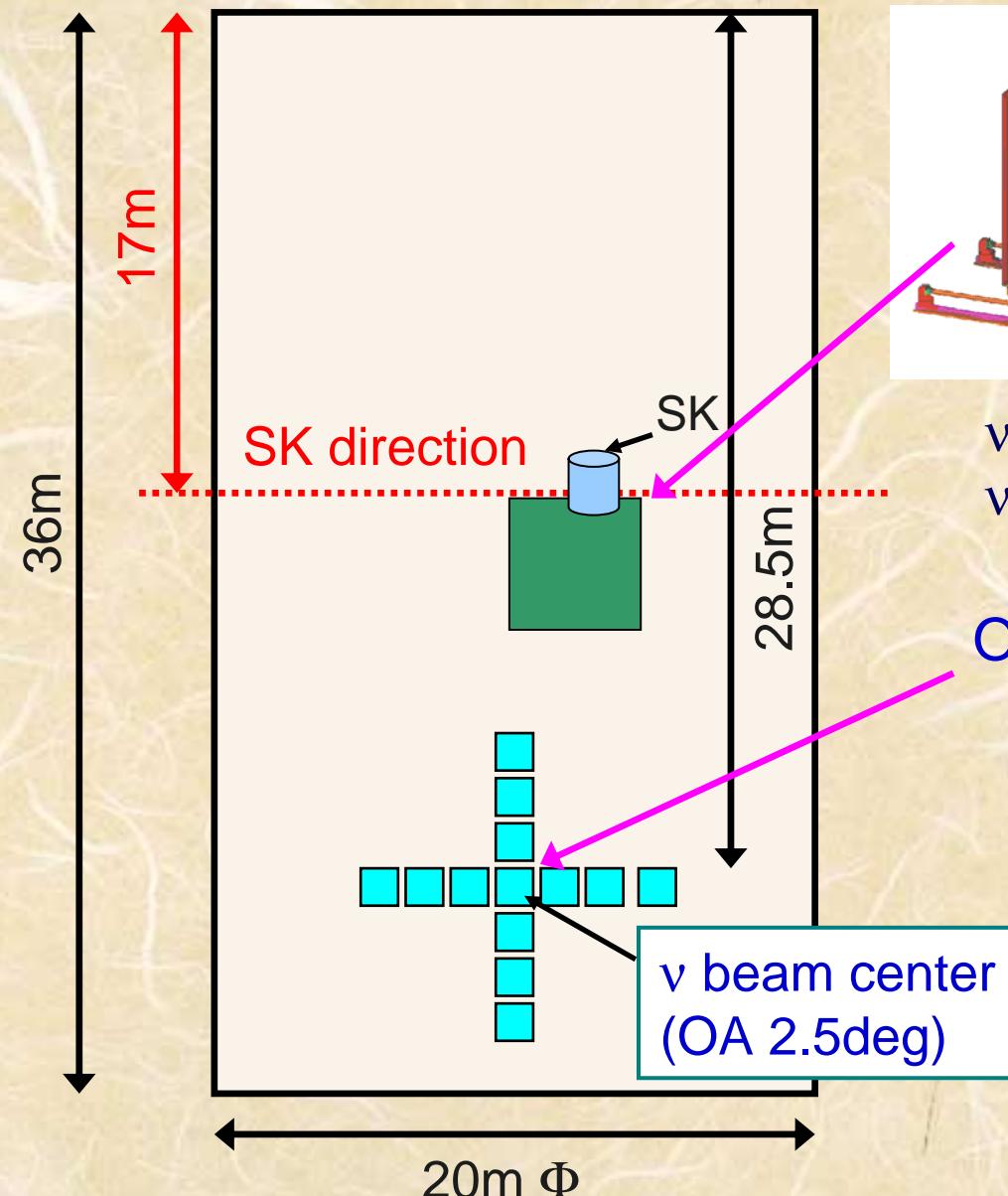
w/ beam MC and full SK detector simulation

OA 2deg., 5yrs

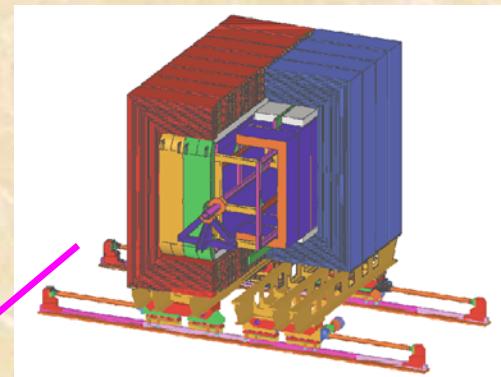


Sensitivity region...  
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 0.006$ (90%)  
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 0.018$ (3σ)

# Near neutrino detector

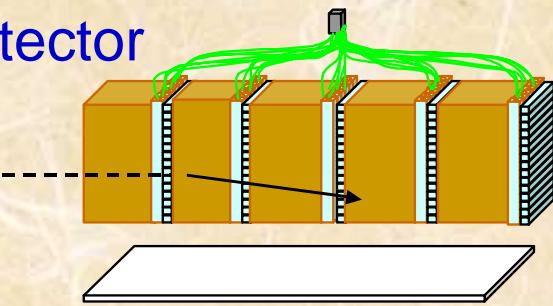


## Off-axis detector (w/ magnet)



$v_\mu$  and  $v_e$  fluxes and energy spectra  
 $v$  interaction study

## On-axis detector



Monitor  $v$  beam

# Off-axis detectors

Tracking detector

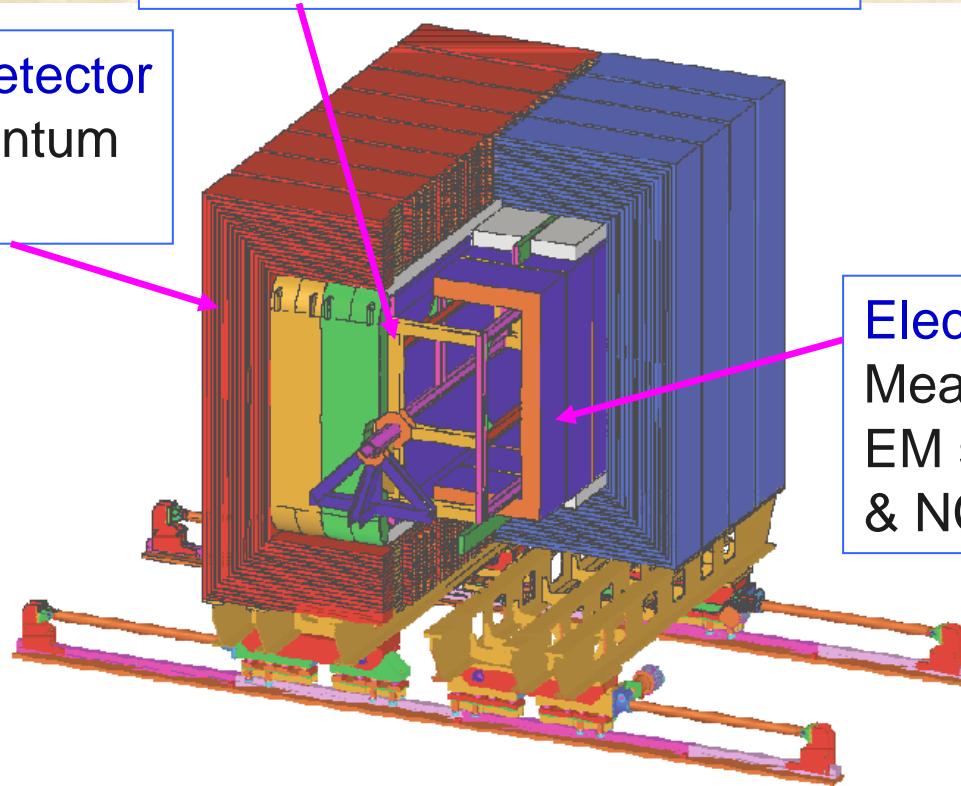
-Fine Grained Detector  
consisting of scintillator

Target of  $\nu$

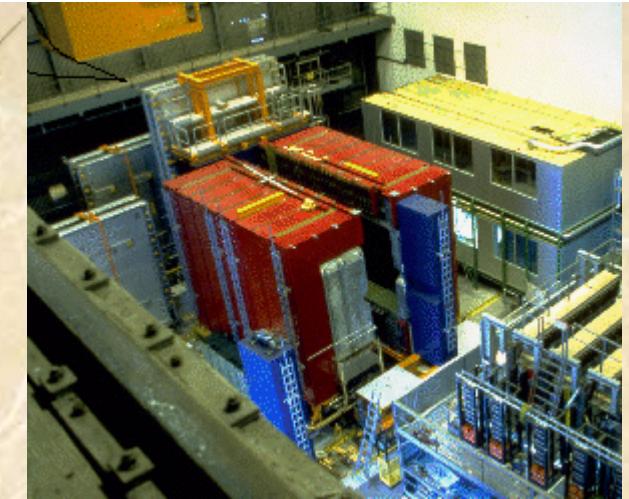
-TPC

Measure momentum of  $\mu$ ,  
 $p$  and  $\pi$

Muon Range Detector  
Measure momentum  
of  $\mu$

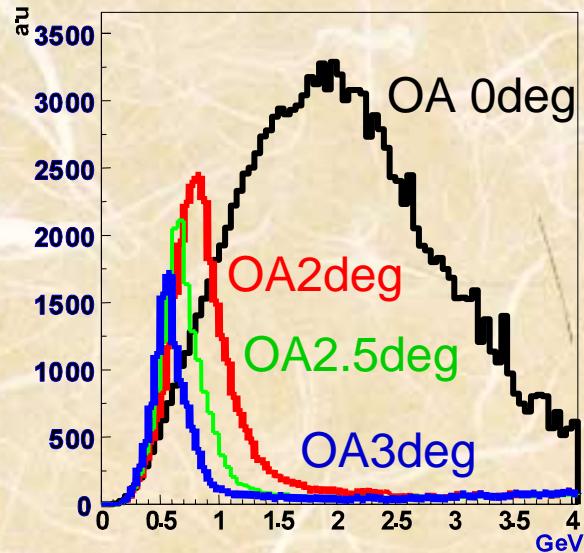


Electron calorimeter  
Measure energy of  
EM shower by beam  $\nu_e$   
& NC- $1\pi^0$



UA1 magnet  
@NOMAD experiment

# On-axis detector



Uncertainty of energy scale

$$\delta \langle E_\nu \rangle / \langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 24 \text{ MeV/mrad}$$

→  $\delta(\Delta m^2) = 10^{-4} \text{ eV}^2/\text{mrad}$

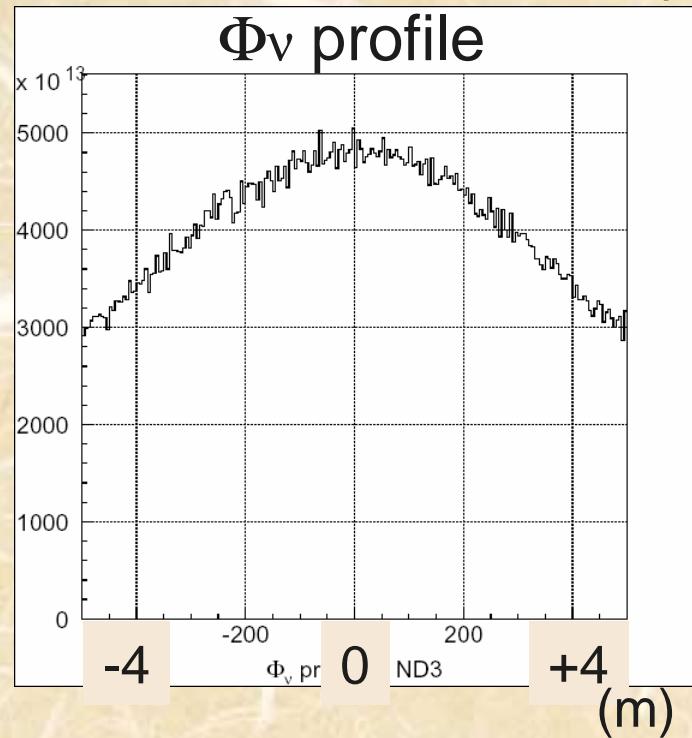
Oscillation probability

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_{\beta \neq \alpha}) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu})$$

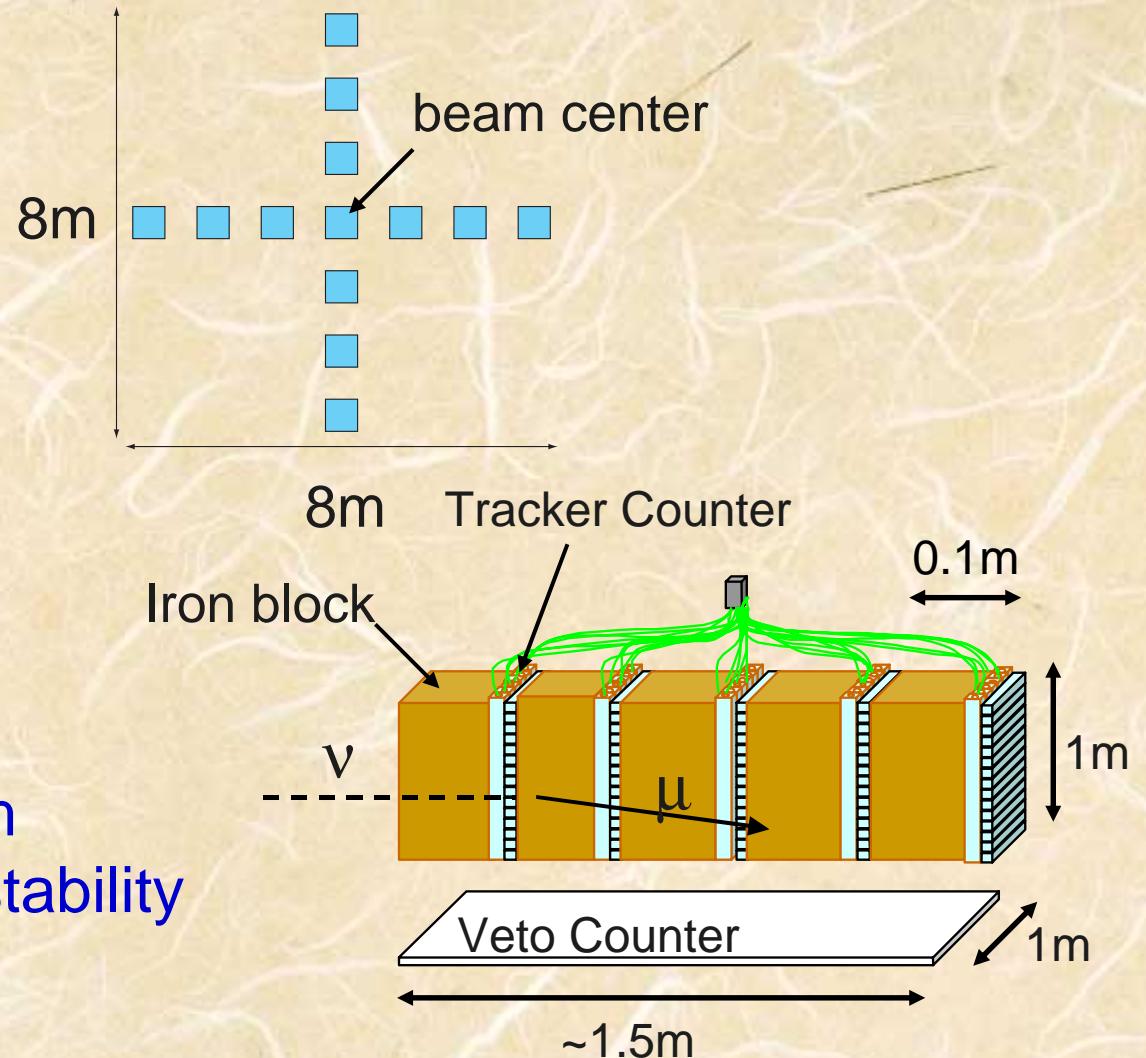
It's necessary to measure  $\nu$  beam direction w/ high accuracy  
and control precisely

At least 0.5mrad is needed as a measurement accuracy

# On-axis detector (N-Grid detector)

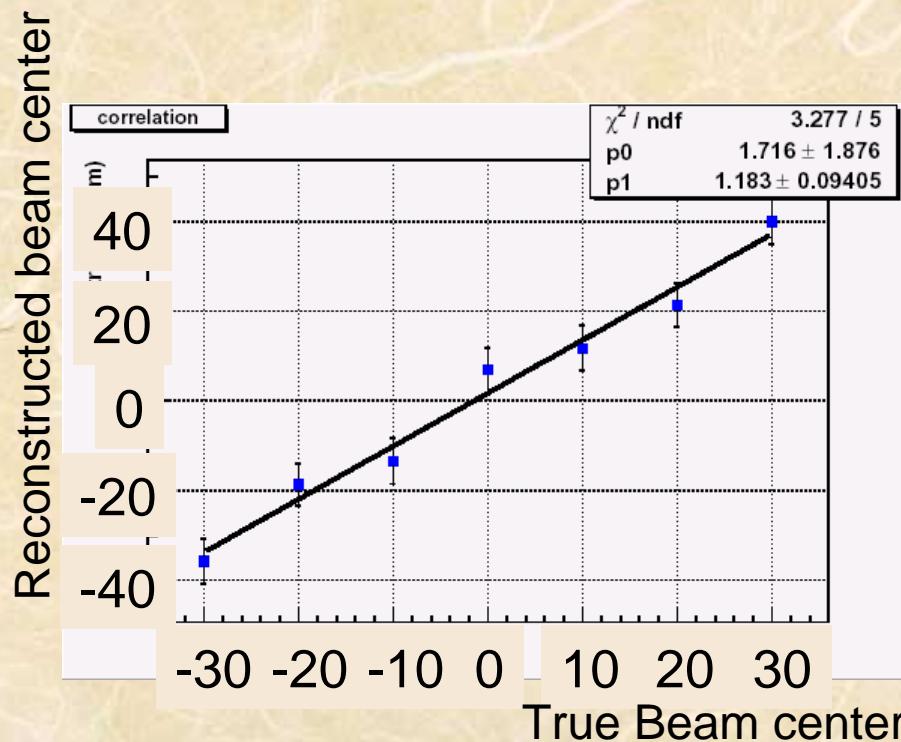
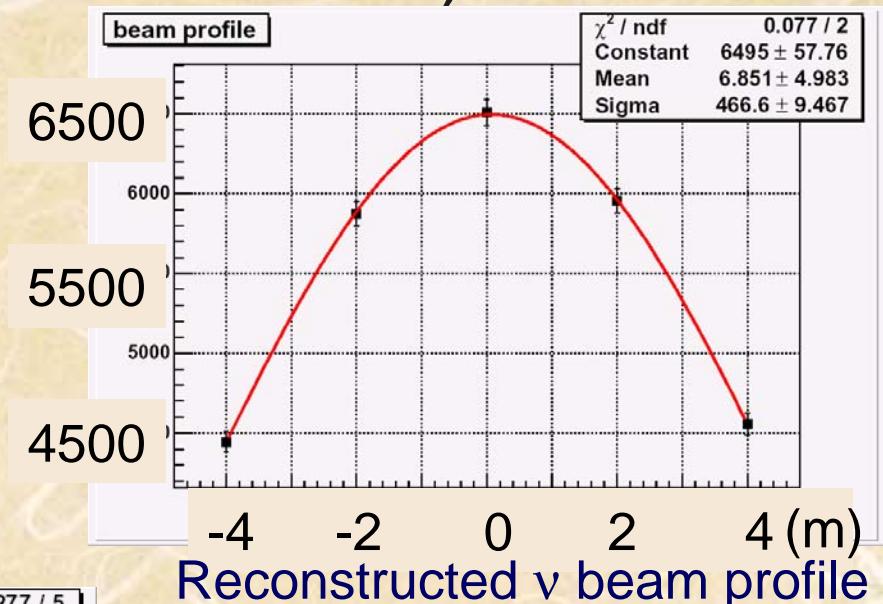
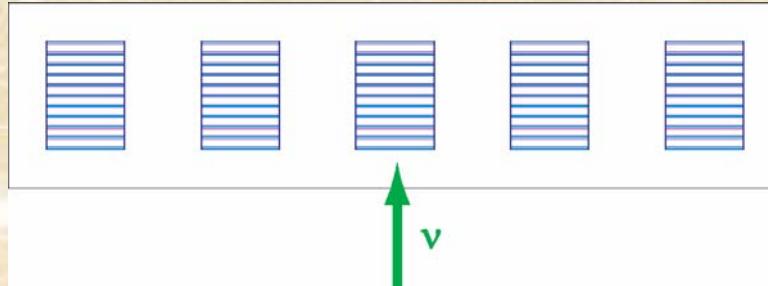


Monitor neutrino beam direction, profile and stability



# On-axis detector (N-Grid detector)

5 modules at one axis

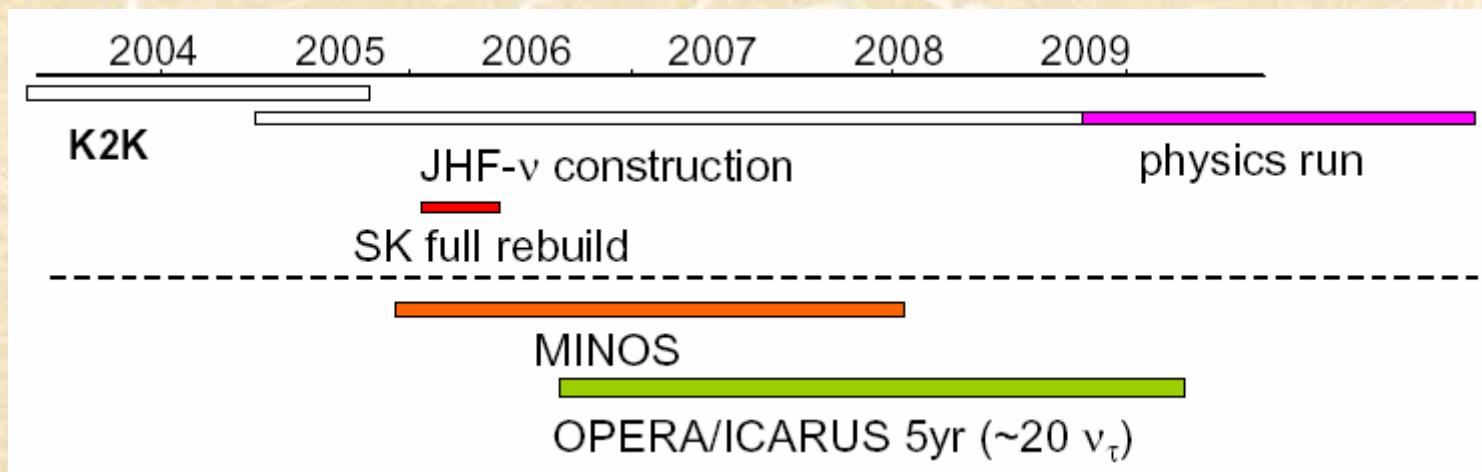


- Good linear relation.
- The accuracy of the center is  $\sim 5\text{cm}$ .  
→ corresponding to  $0.18\text{mard}$   
(fulfill the request)

# Summary

The first “Super-beam” Long baseline  $\nu$  experiment  
**T2K** (Tokai to Kamioka) experiment was **approved**

- Construction was started
- 5 years to complete (JFY 2004~2008)
- Start physics run in 2009
  - Try to discover non-zero  $\theta_{13}$  ( $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > 0.006$  @90% C.L.)
  - Precision measurement of  $\theta_{23}$  &  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  (precision x 10)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> step to the CP violation in the lepton sector



# Supplement

# Tight e/ $\pi^0$ separation

Shower direction from the beam axis

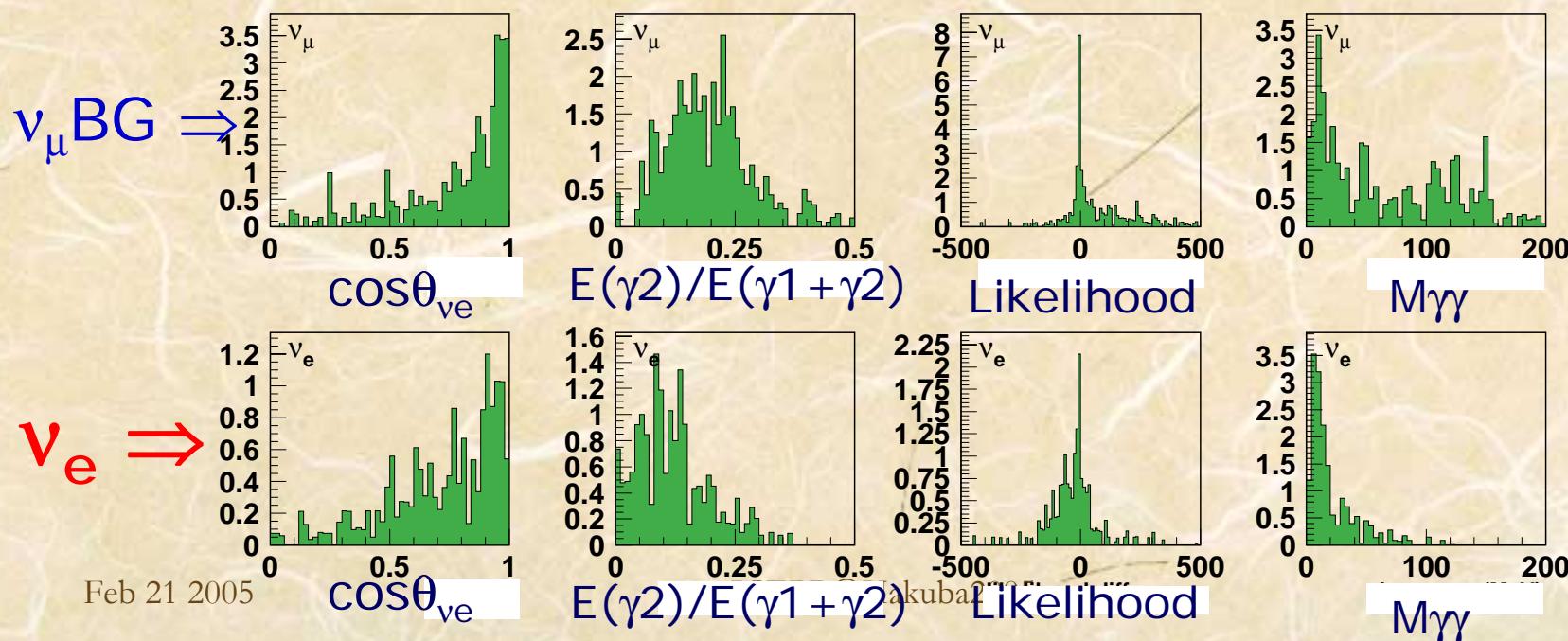
$\cos\theta_{ve}$ :  $\gamma$  from coherent  $\pi^0$  tends to have a forward peak

Force to find 2nd ring and...

$E(\gamma 2)/E(\gamma 1 + \gamma 2)$ : The second ring energy is larger for BG

Likelihood diff. between 1-ring and 2-rings

Invariant mass: Small for  $\nu_e$



# N-Grid detector

## Event Selection

[1]  $\geq 2$  hits in the scintillator.

[2] No Veto Hits

[1] & [2]

