



Instrumentation and Calibration  
of a Water Čerenkov Detector

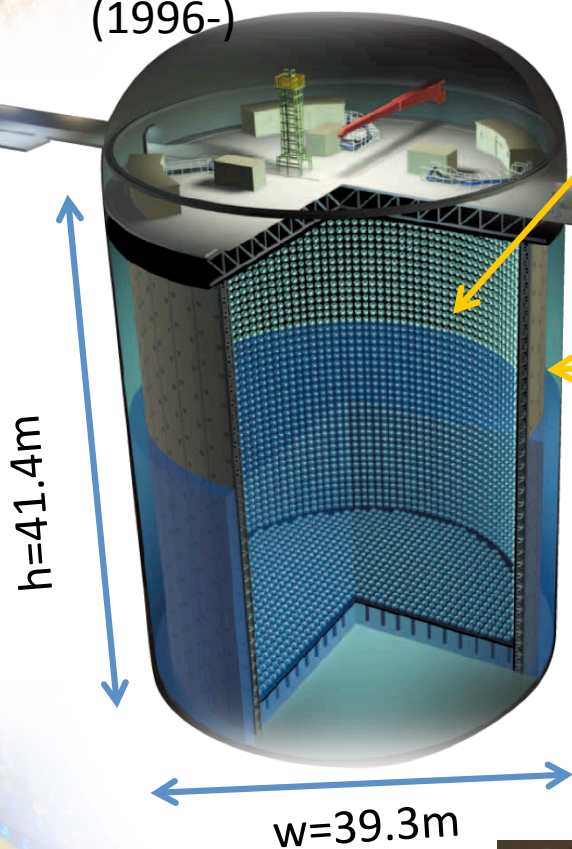
# Super-Kamiokande

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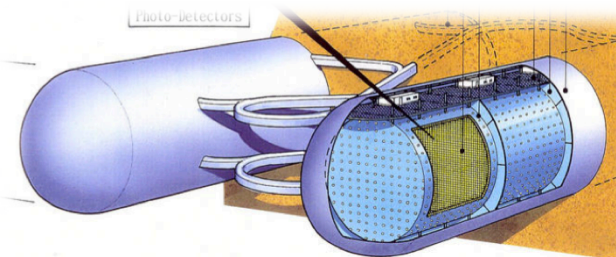
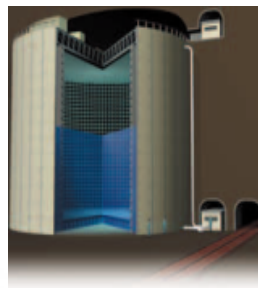
Super-Kamiokande  
(1996-)



- 50,000 tons of Pure Water
- 20inch PMT (inner detector) #PMT, coverage
 

SK-I(1996-2001):	11146,	40%
SK-II(2001-2005):	5182,	20%
SK-III(2006-2008):	11129,	40%
SK-IV(2008-):	New DAQ Elec.	
- 1,885 of 8 inch PMT (outer detector)
- Fiducial Volume (>2m from wall) =22,500 tons
- ❖ Large volume active neutrino target
- ❖  $4\pi$  coverage
- ❖ Large dynamic range on neutrino energy ( a few MeV – TeV )

Kamiokande  
(1983-1996)



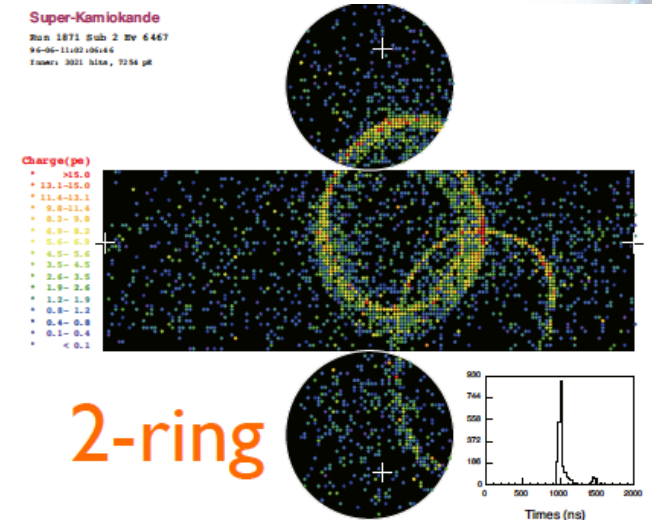
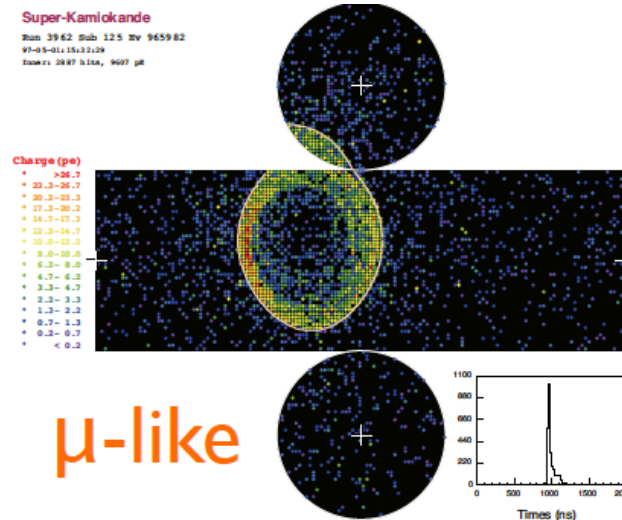
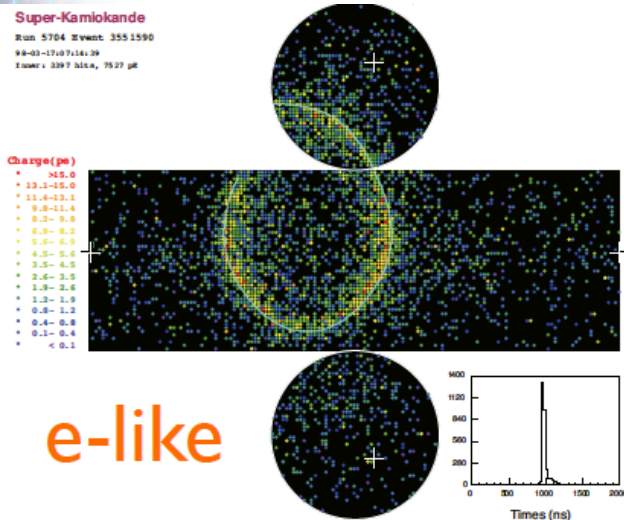
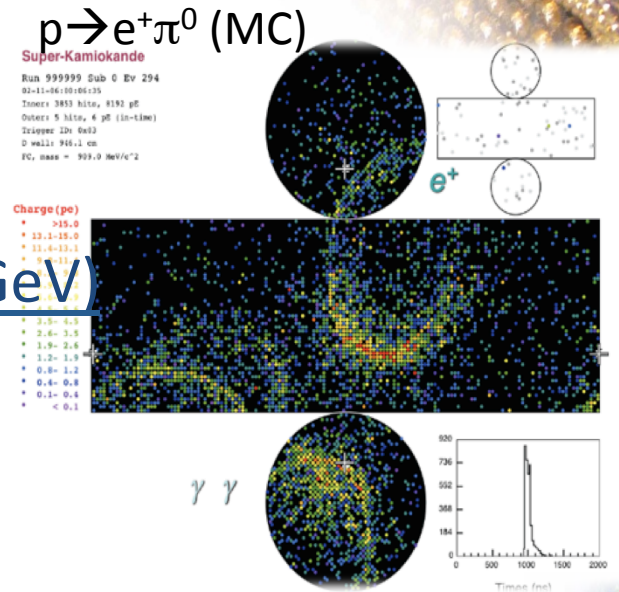
Hyper-K  
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→M. Yokoyama  
Friday 14:30

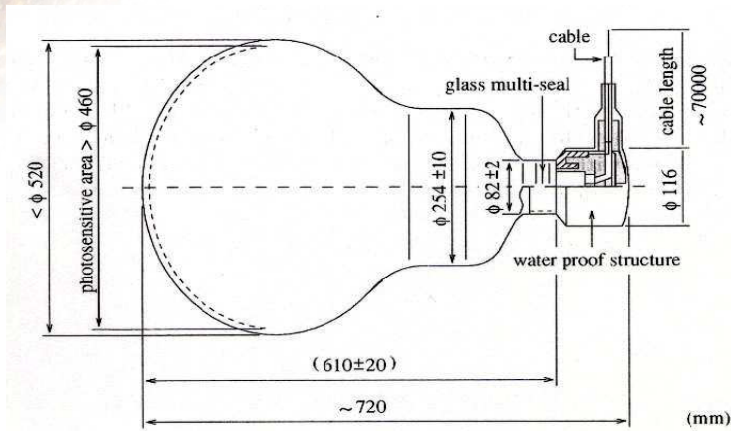
# Physics Targets of Super-Kamiokande

- Nucleon Decay ( $M_p \sim 1\text{GeV}$ )
- Atmospheric Neutrino ( $E_\nu = 100\text{MeV} \sim \text{TeV}+$ )
- Long baseline Accelerator Neutrino ( $E_\nu \sim 1\text{GeV}$ )
- Solar Neutrino ( $E_\nu = 4\text{MeV} \sim 10\text{MeV}$ )
- Supernovae Neutrino ( $E_\nu \sim 10\text{MeV}$ )
- WIMP, GRB, Solar Flare and more...

\* This talk covers mainly on higher energy part



# Photo-Sensor: Hamamatsu R3600 20inch PMT



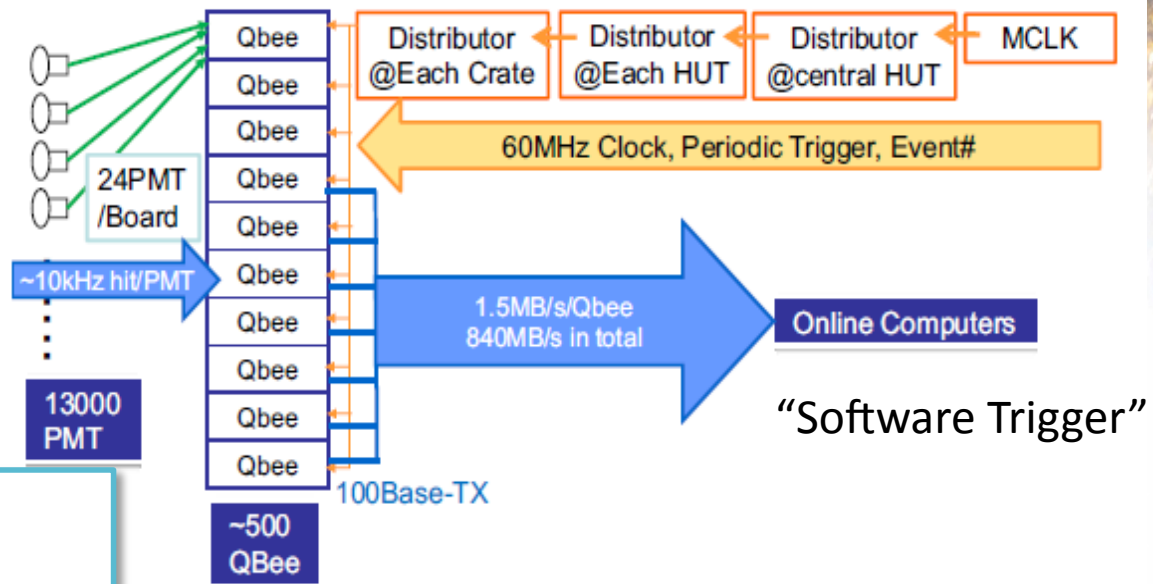
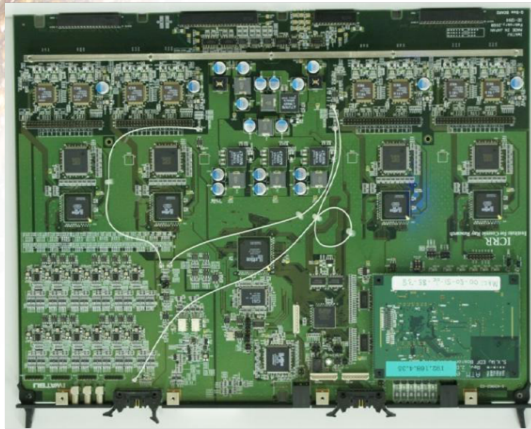
After the recovery of accident, all the ID PMTs are sheltered by FRP + Acrylic case to prevent chain reaction of explosion

Shape	Hemispherical
Photocathode area	50 cm diameter
Window material	Pyrex glass (4 ~ 5 mm)
Photocathode material	Bialkali (Sb-K-Cs)
Quantum efficiency	22 % at $\lambda = 390$ nm
Dynodes	11 stage Venetian blind type
Gain	$10^7$ at $\sim 2000$ V
Dark current	200 nA at $10^7$ gain
Dark pulse rate	3 kHz at $10^7$ gain
Cathode non-uniformity	< 10 %
Anode non-uniformity	< 40 %
Transit time	90 nsec at $10^7$ gain
Transit time spread	2.2 nsec ( $1\sigma$ ) for 1 p.e. equivalent signals
Weight	13 kg
Pressure tolerance	$6 \text{ kg/cm}^2$ water proof



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# DAQ Electronics (QBEE) after upgrade@2008



## QBEE specification:

- QTC
  - A custom ASIC (0.35 $\mu$ m CMOS)
  - 3 input channel/chip,
  - 3 charge stage/channel
  - Dynamic range: 0.2pC – 2500pC  
( $\sim$ 0.1p.e. – 1200 p.e.)
- Multi-hit TDC
  - Atlas Muon TDC(AMT)
- Driven by 60MHz master clock and 60kHz periodic trigger
- TCP/IP readout
- On board calibration pulsar

Readout All hits above QTC threshold  
 → Apply “Software Trigger” at Semi-Online

- Gate widths
  - 40us for LowE/HighE events (solar/atm. nu)
  - 1000us for T2K spill trigger
  - 1.3us for super LE trigger (solar nu)

Redundant DAQ for very high trigger rate (nearby Supernova) will be implemented

→ T. Tomura  
Thu. 16:40

# Event Reconstruction for Atmospheric/LB $\nu$ & Proton decay

- Vertex Reconstruction



PMT hit timing

- Ring Count



PMT hit pattern

- Particle Identification



PMT hit pattern & Cherenkov opening angle

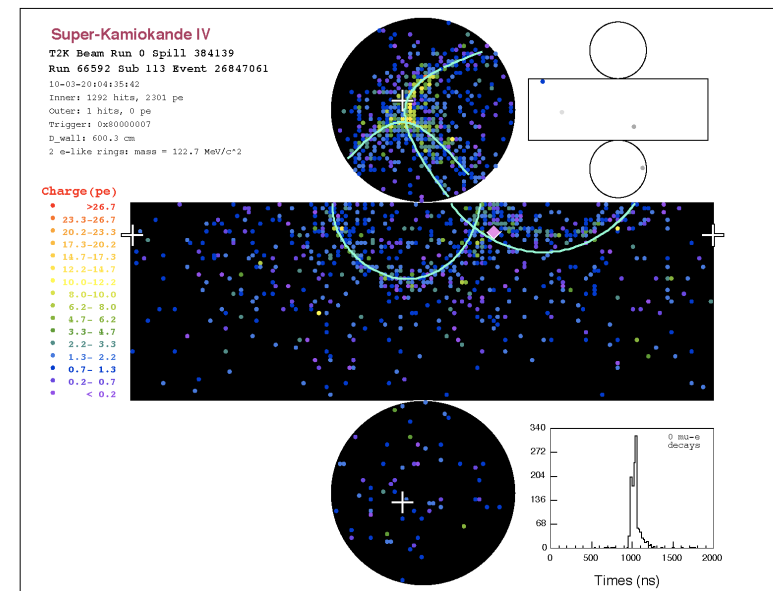
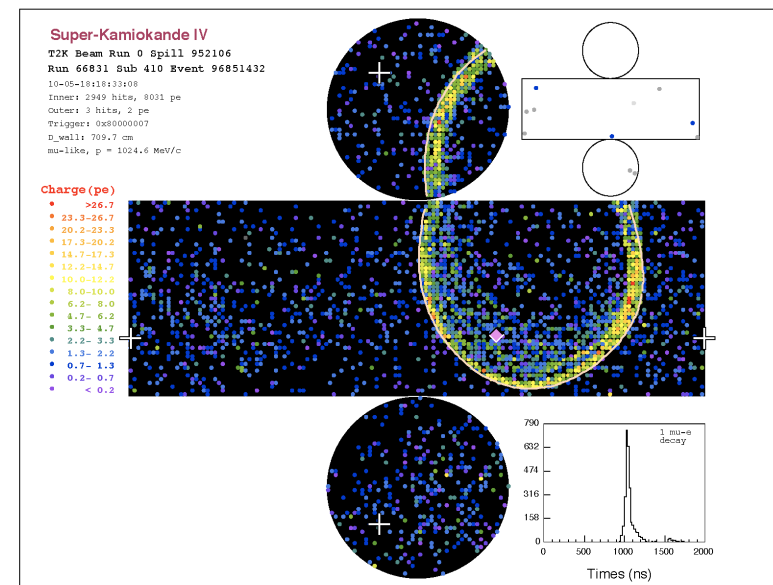
- Energy Reconstruction



PMT charge sum in a ring  
+ Correction for water transp.

- Muon Decay Electron Finding

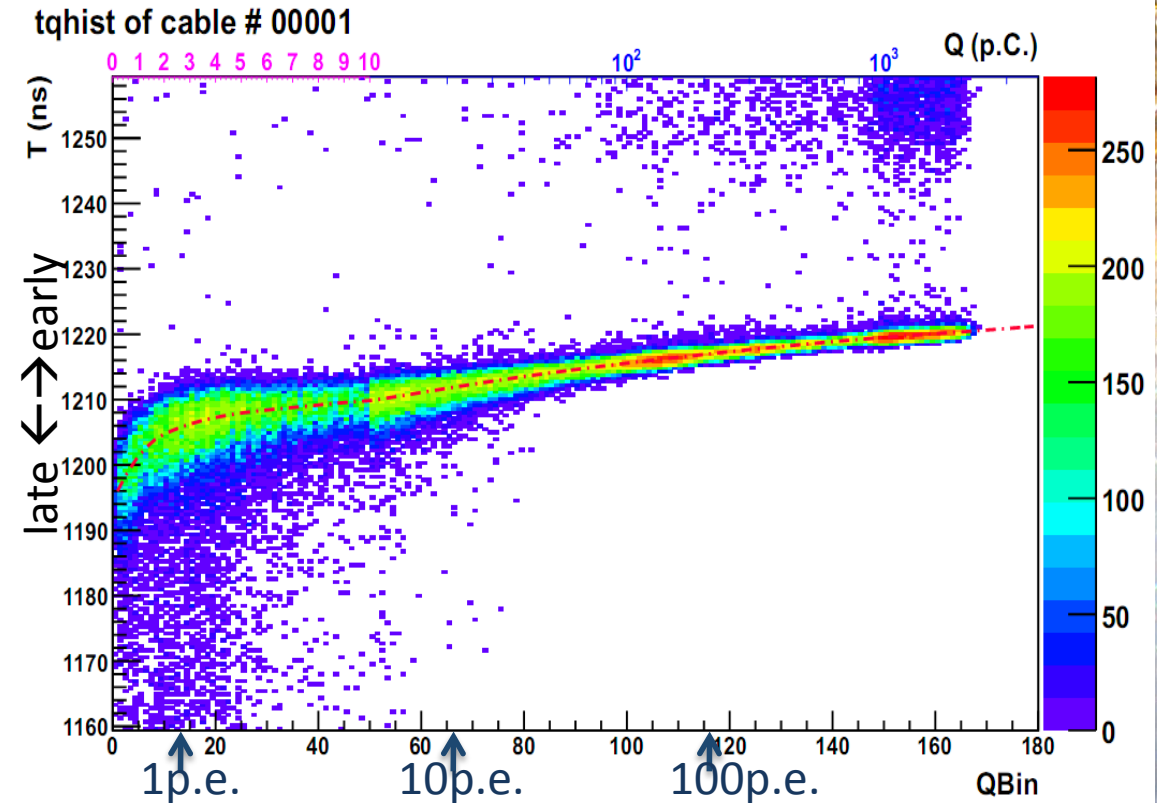
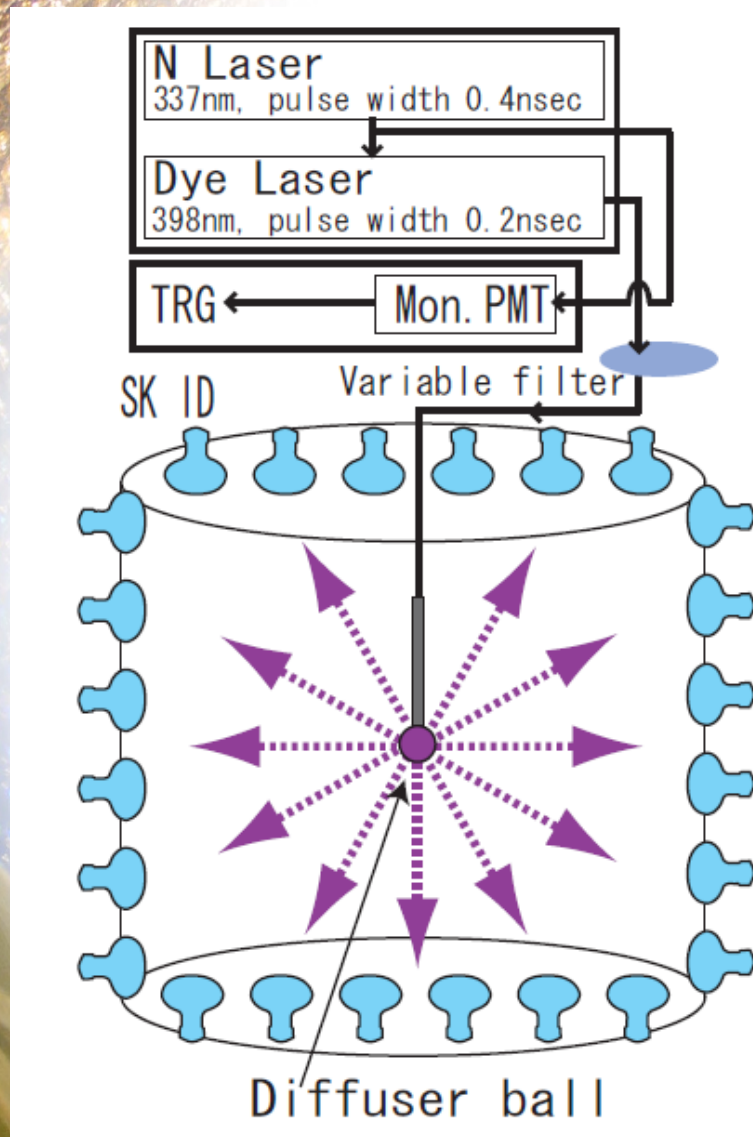
PMT hit time profile  
( $\tau_{\mu} \sim 2\mu\text{s}$ )



The image shows a large, circular, illuminated structure, likely a detector or a large-scale scientific instrument. The structure is composed of many small, repeating elements, possibly sensors or detectors, arranged in a circular pattern. The lighting is bright and warm, with a golden-yellow hue. The structure is viewed from a low angle, looking up towards the center. The text "Detector Calibration" is centered in the image in a dark blue font.

# Detector Calibration

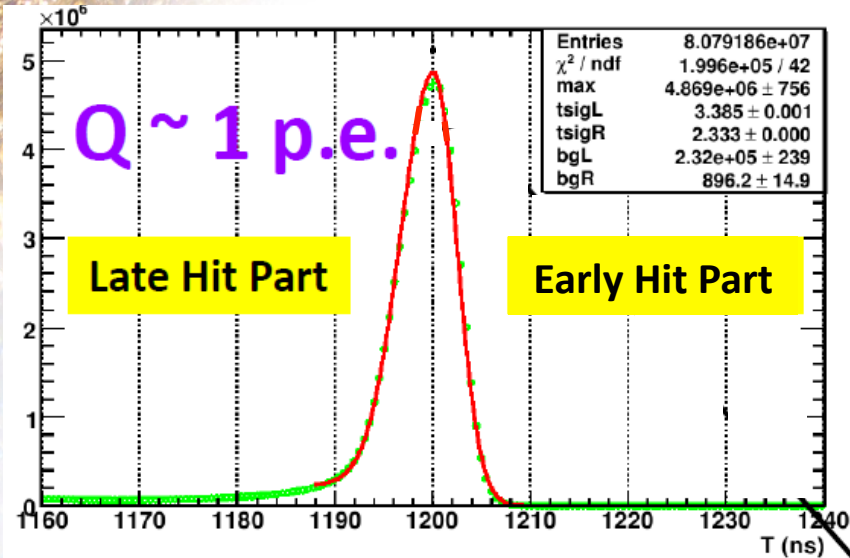
# Timing Calibration (Time walk & Offset)



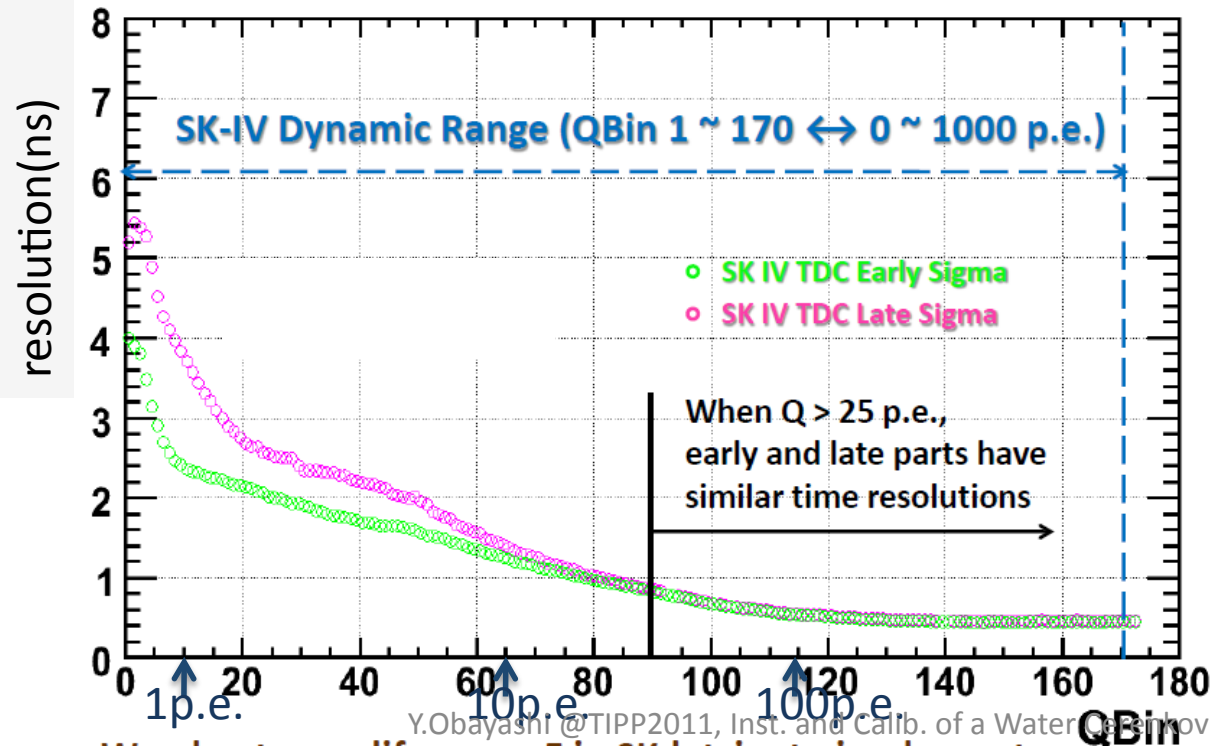
- Make T-Q curve for all the PMTs and use as correction functions for data



# Timing Resolution



Summed up  $T - T_0 - \text{ToF}$  for all PMT.



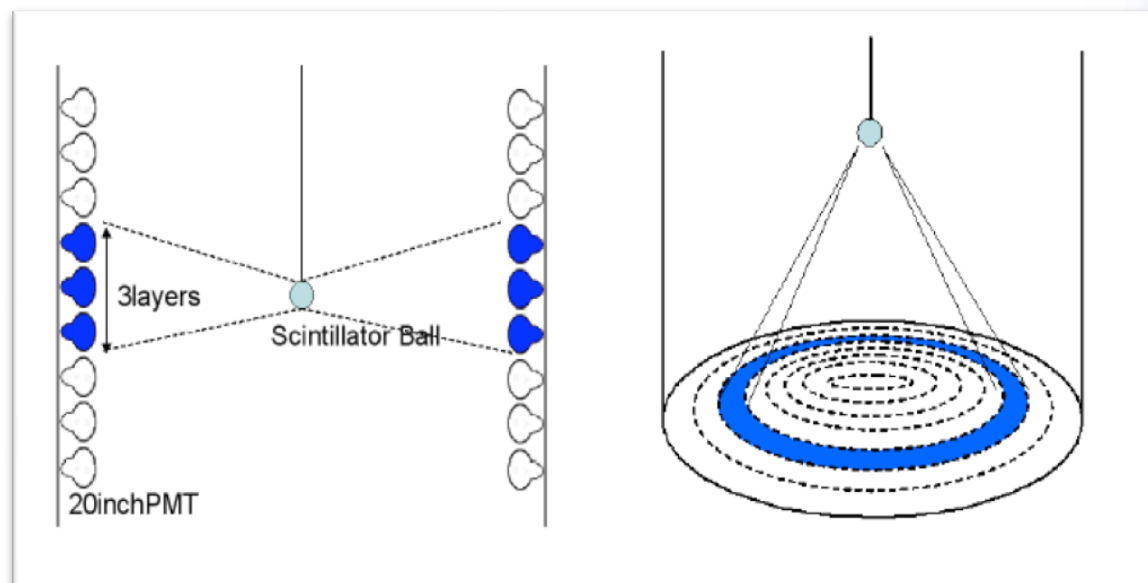
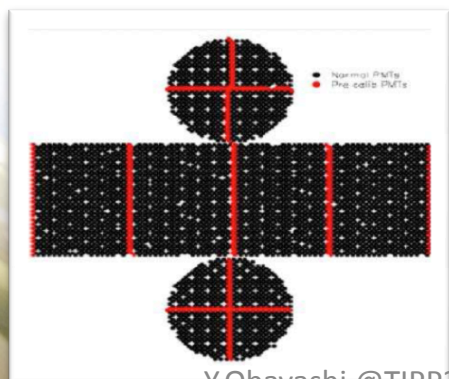
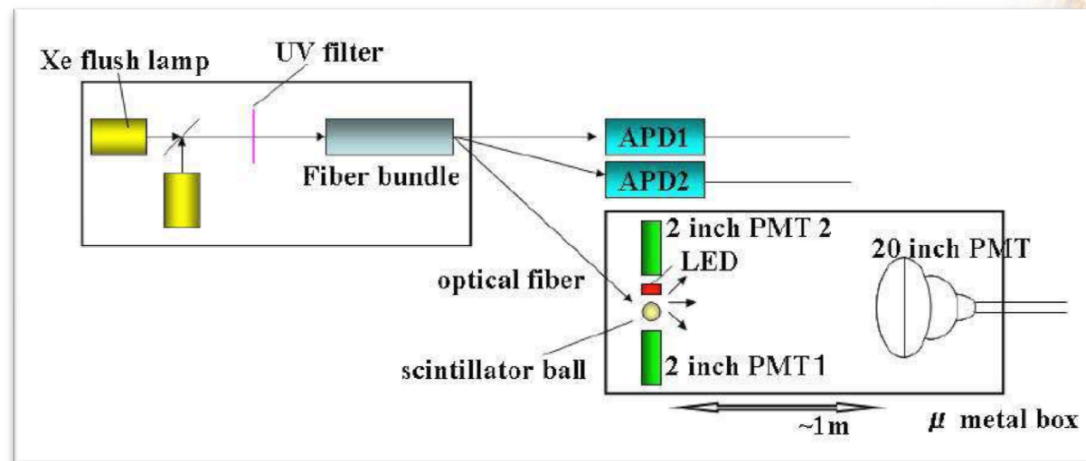
$\sigma_t \sim 2.5 \text{ ns @ } 1 \text{ p.e.}$   
 $0.5 \text{ ns @ } >100 \text{ p.e.}$

# PMT Gain Calibration (HV adjustment)

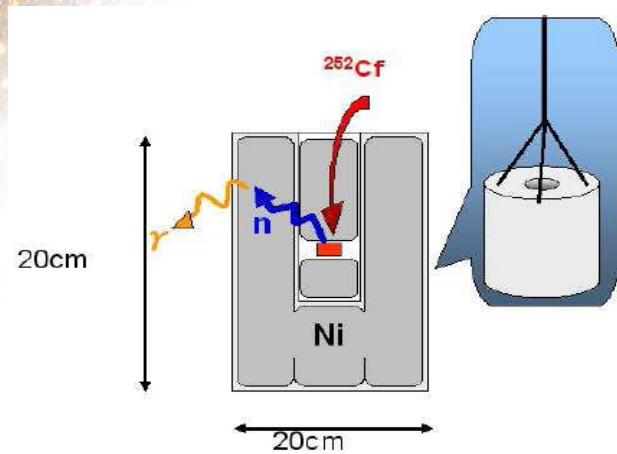
- Make 420 “Standard” PMTs at OUTSIDE of the tank before install
- Place these standard PMTs in the tank to cover all geometry
- Adjust HV of each PMTs comparing standard PMT charge

$$Gain(i) = \alpha_i \times HV(i)^{\beta_i}$$

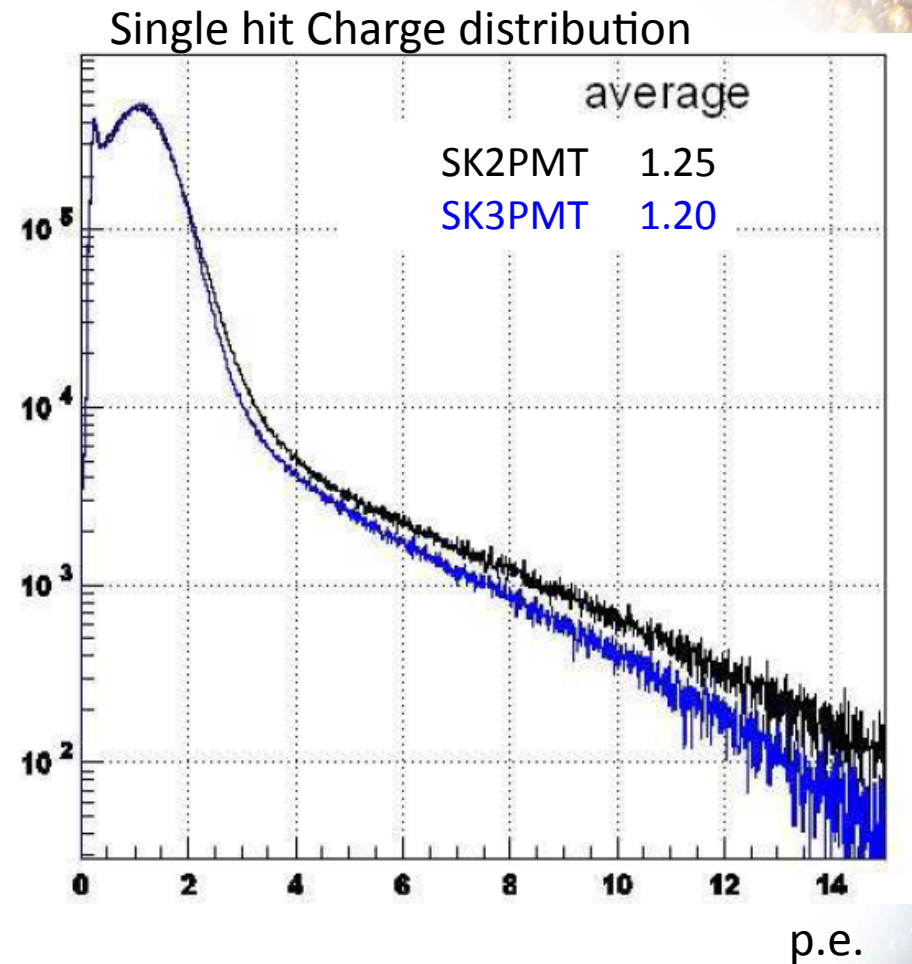
$\alpha_i, \beta_i$ :  $i$  th PMT's param.



# Ni + Cf gamma source

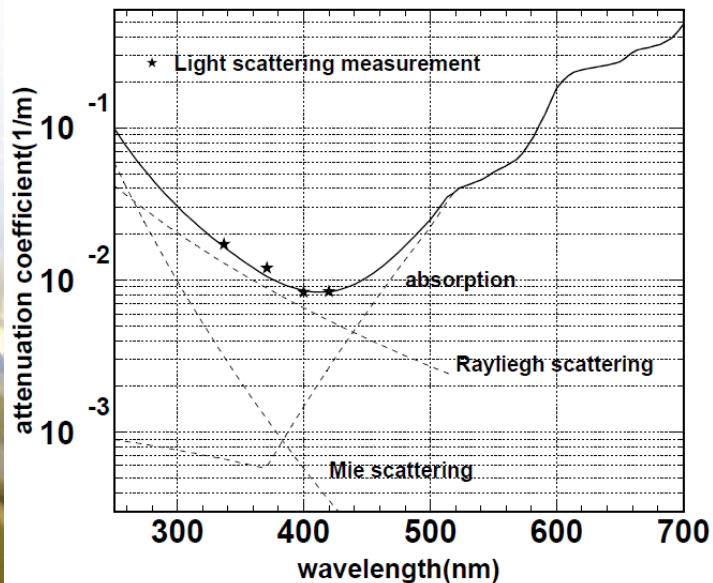
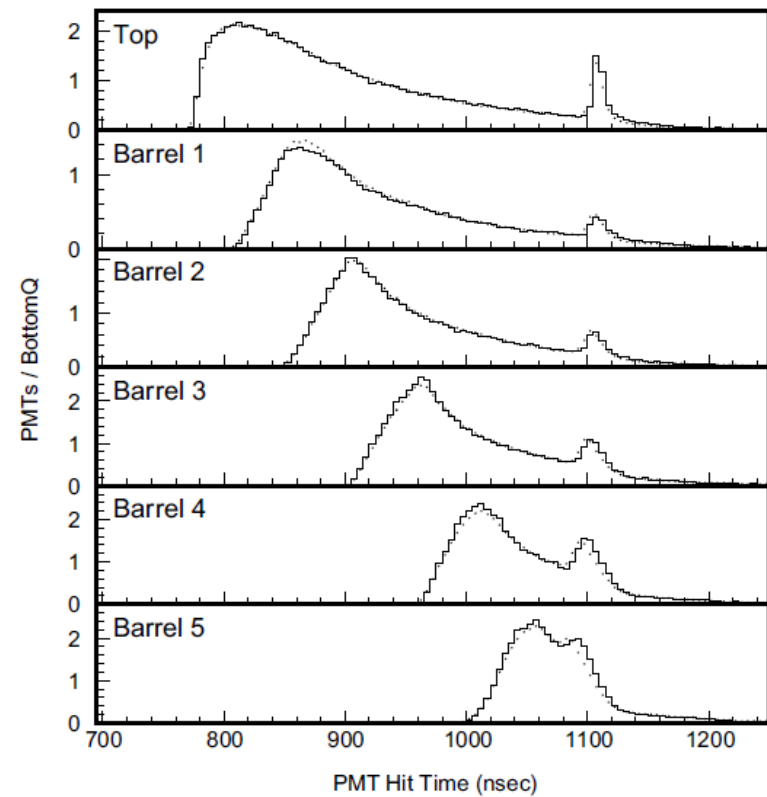
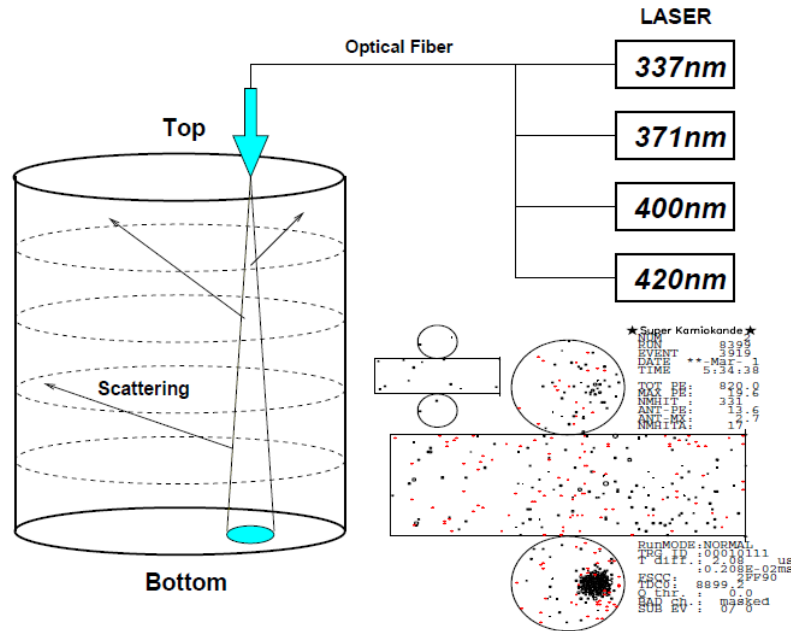


- Neutron from  $^{252}\text{Cf}$  is converted to 6-9MeV gamma in Ni  
→ ~single hits on PMTs
- Measure
  - 1p.e. distribution
  - Q.E. of each PMT
- Used as input of detector simulator



“SK2PMT”: PMT used from SK beginning  
“SK3PMT”: Newly produced PMT after  
accident in 2001

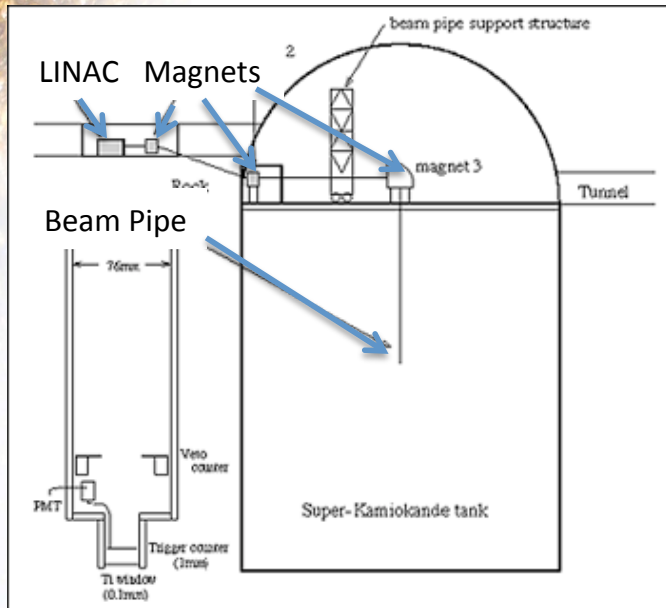
# Attenuation and Scattering in Water



Fitting with parameter:  
 absorption, Rayleigh scattering and  
 Mie scattering for each wavelength  
 → Input of Detector Simulator

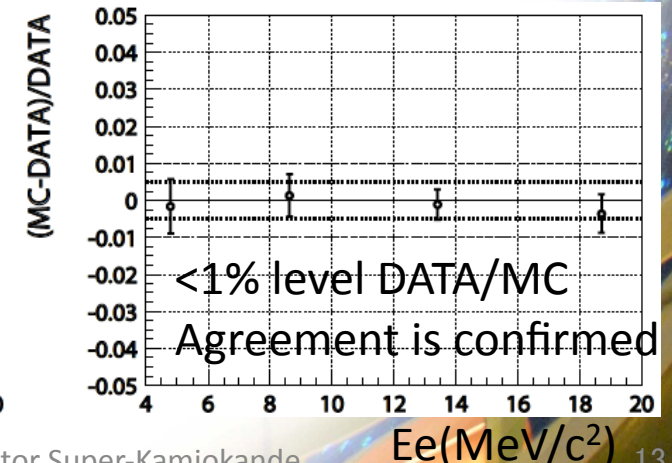
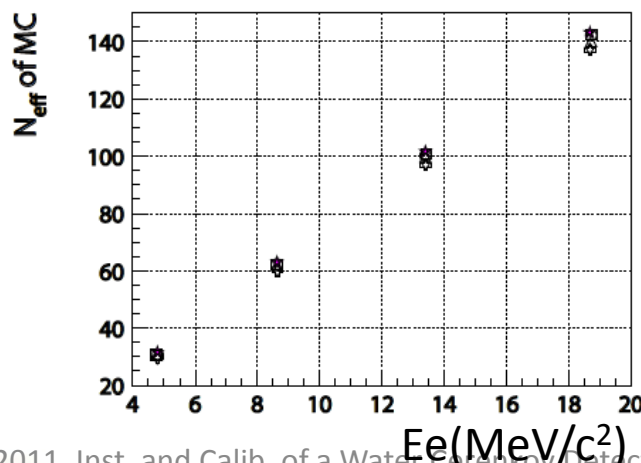
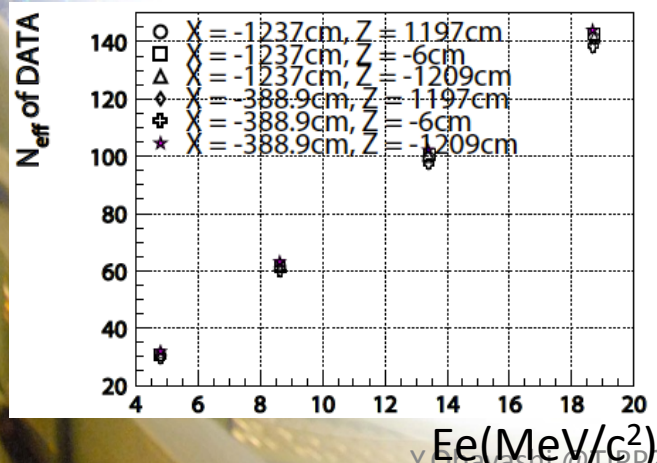
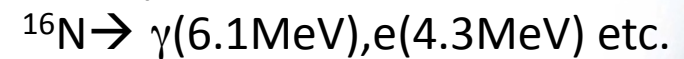
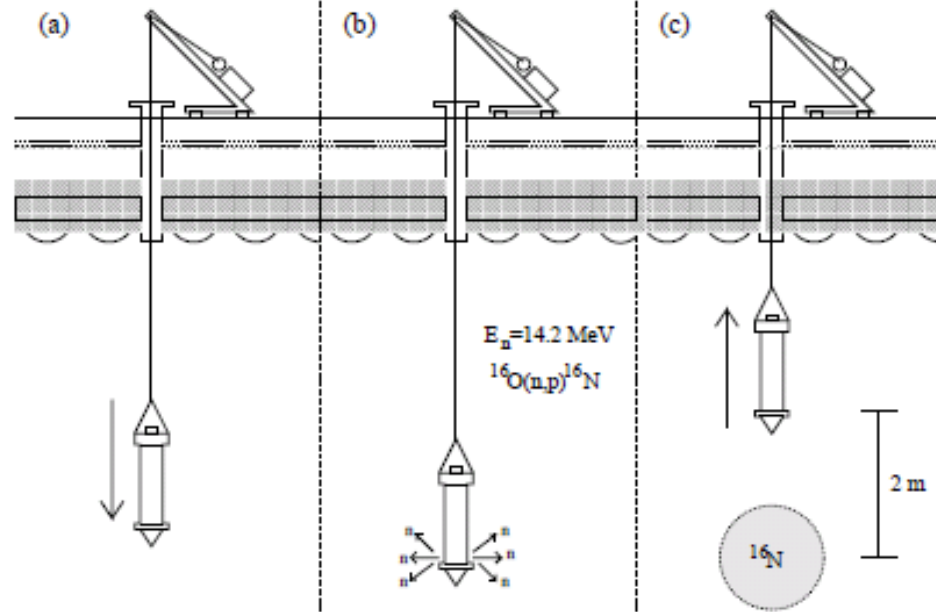
# LINAC / DT Calibrations for Solar $\nu$ analysis

LINAC system



Accelerate and inject electrons:  
 $P_e = 5 - 18 \text{ MeV}/c$

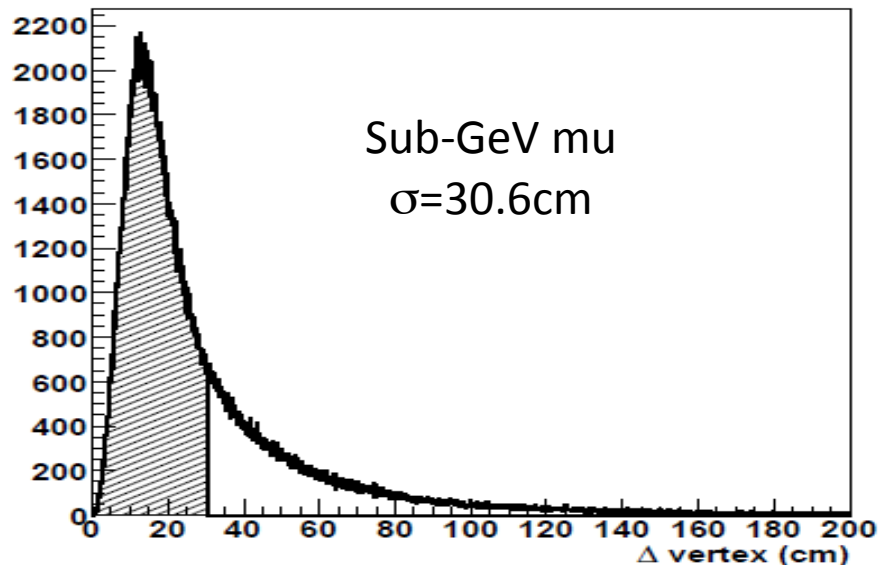
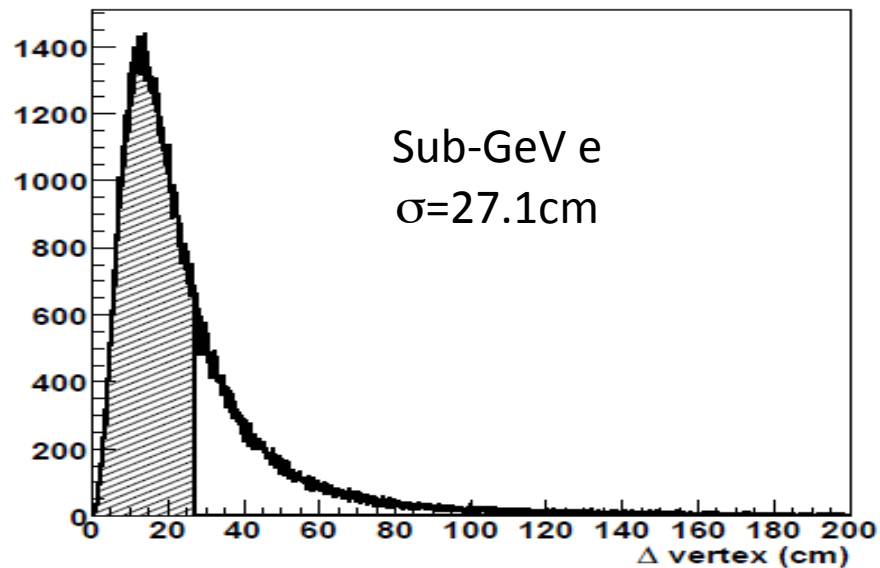
DT Generator



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# Detector Performance

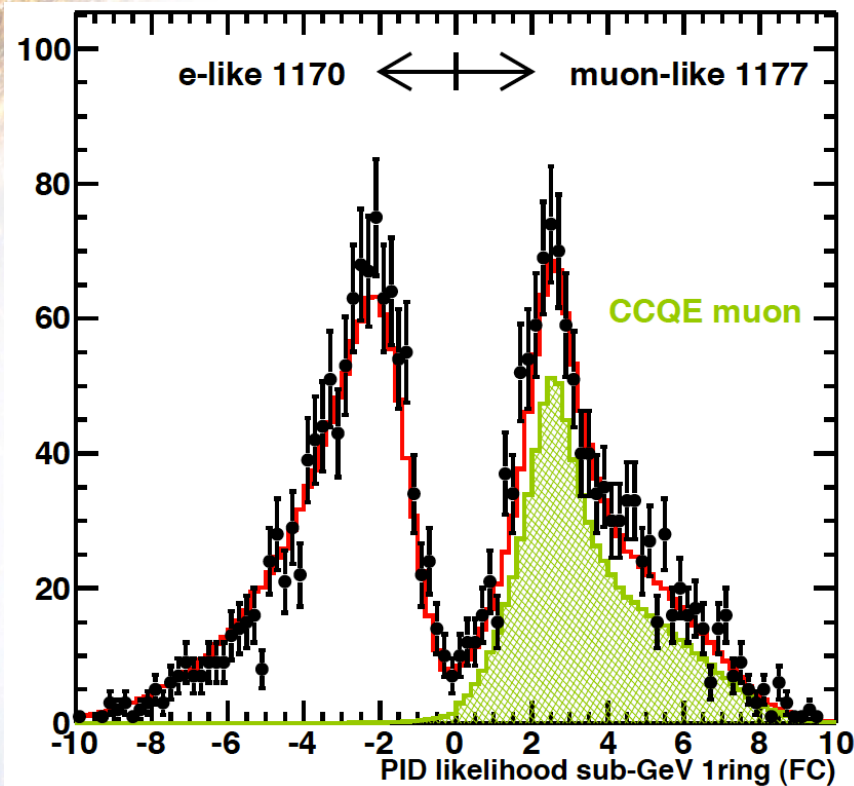
# Vertex Resolution



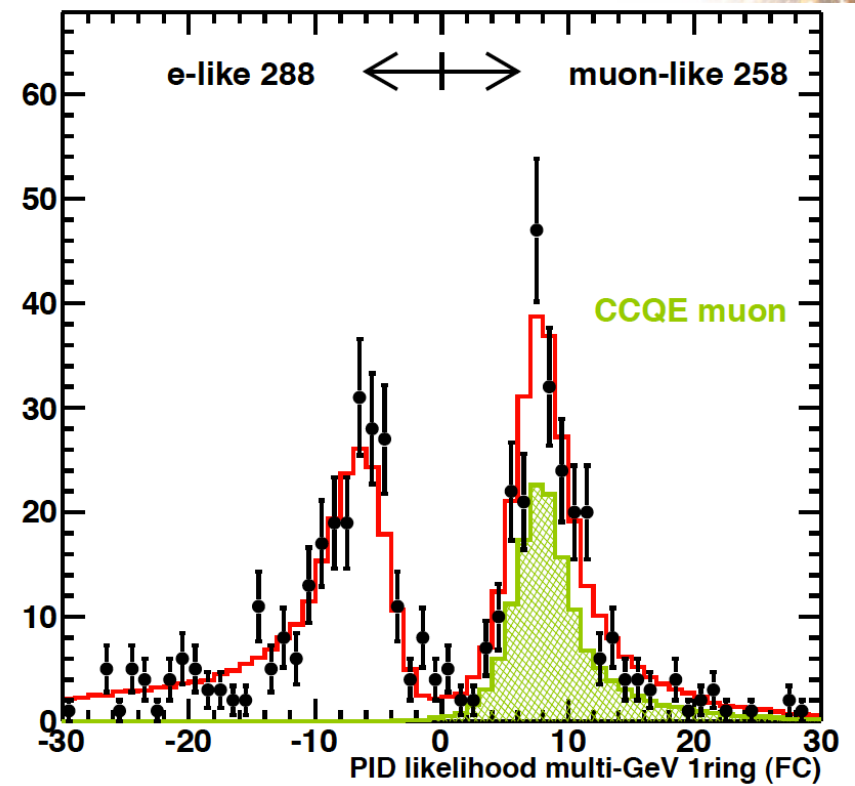
- Evaluated by  $\Delta(\text{rec. vtx} - \text{true vtx})$
- $\sim 30$  cm resolution @ Sub-GeV region

# Particle Identification

Sub-GeV (Evis < 1.3GeV)



Multi-GeV (Evis > 1.3GeV)

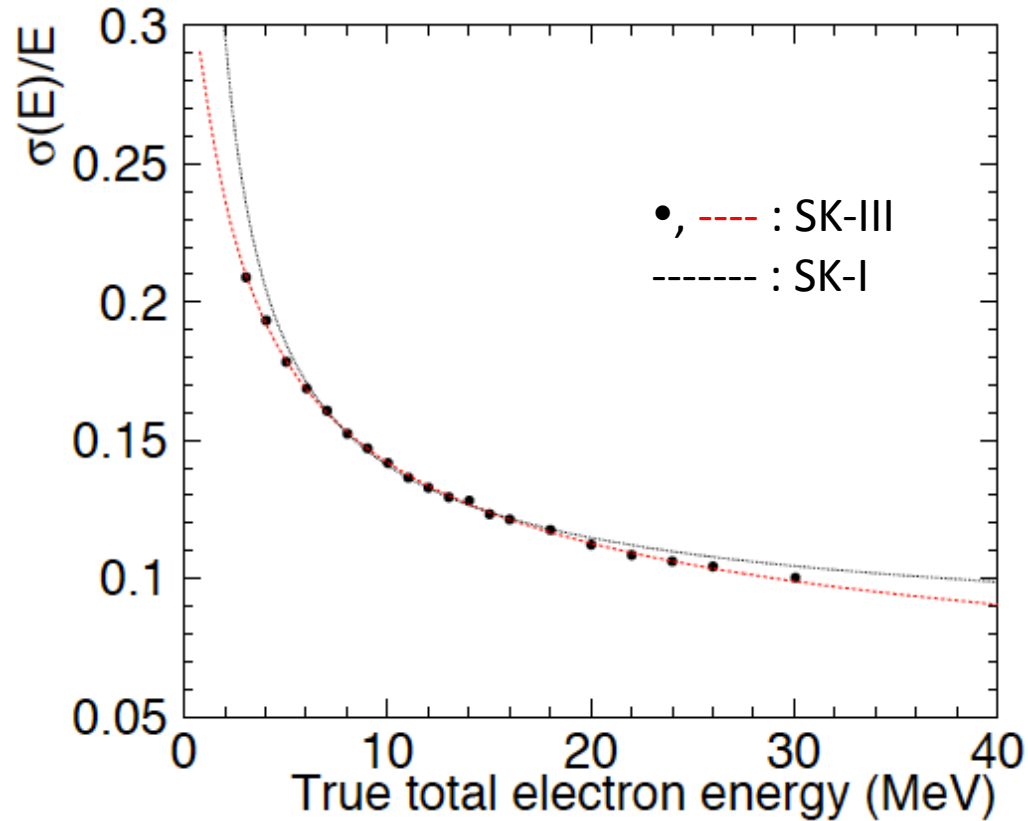


- Identify e or mu using Likelihood with Cherenkov light pattern and Opening angle.
- MissID rate:
  - $\nu_{\mu}$  CCQE missID as e-like: 0.5%
  - $\nu_e$  CCQE missID as  $\mu$ -like: 1.5%

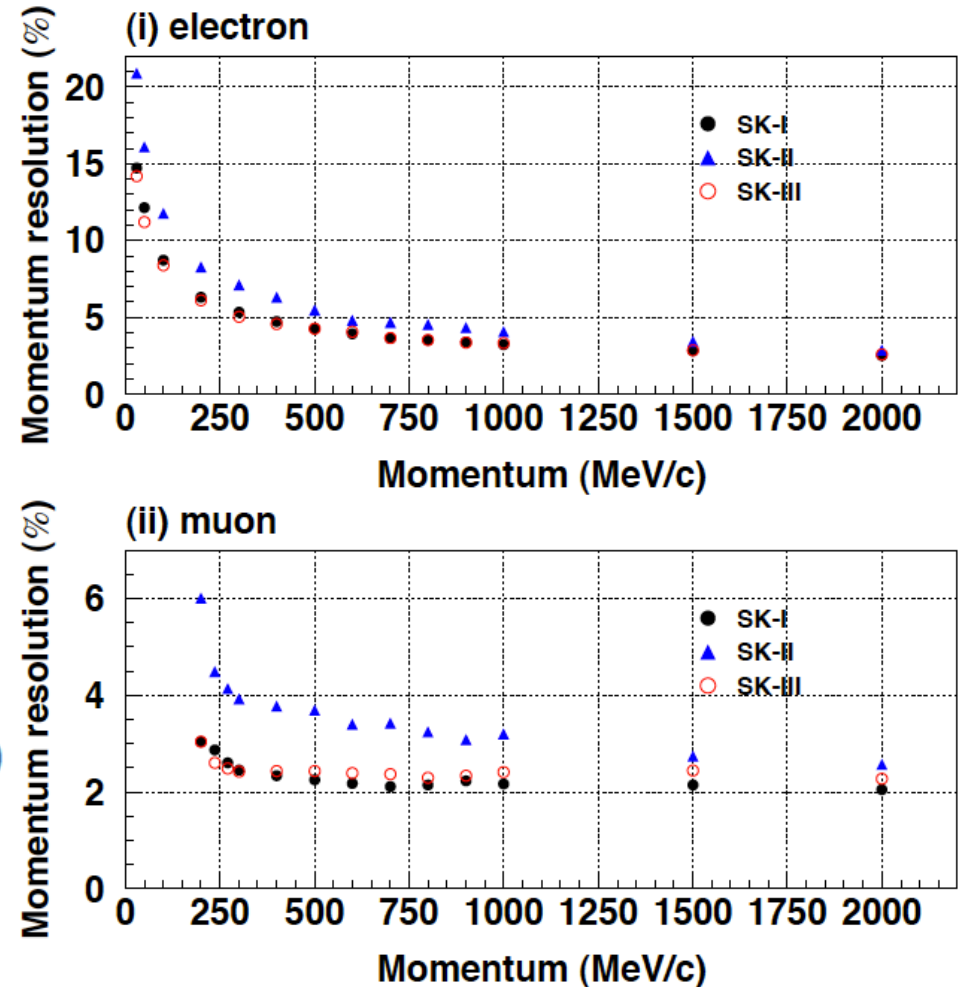


# Energy Resolution

Solar neutrino analysis



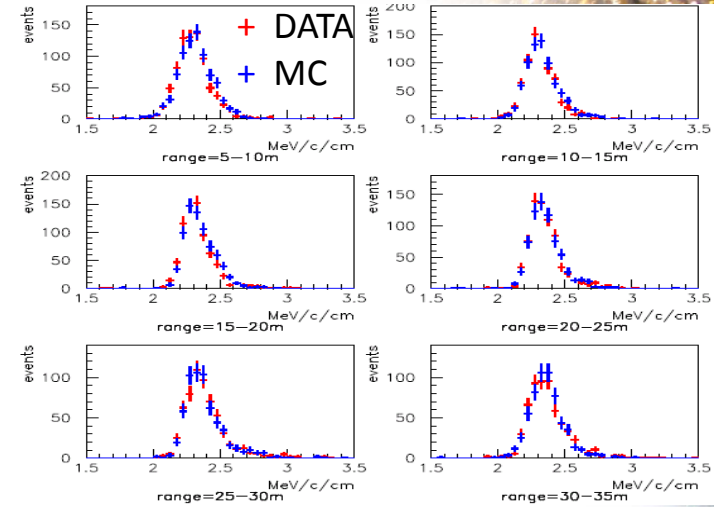
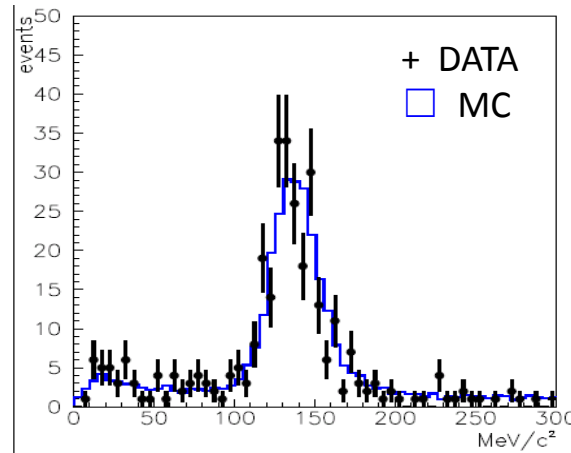
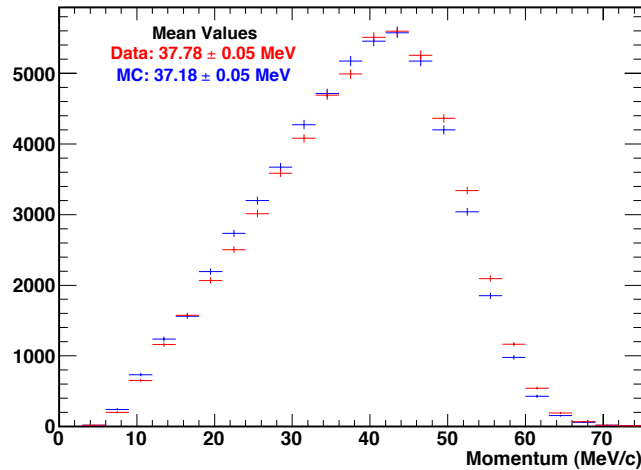
Atmospheric neutrino analysis



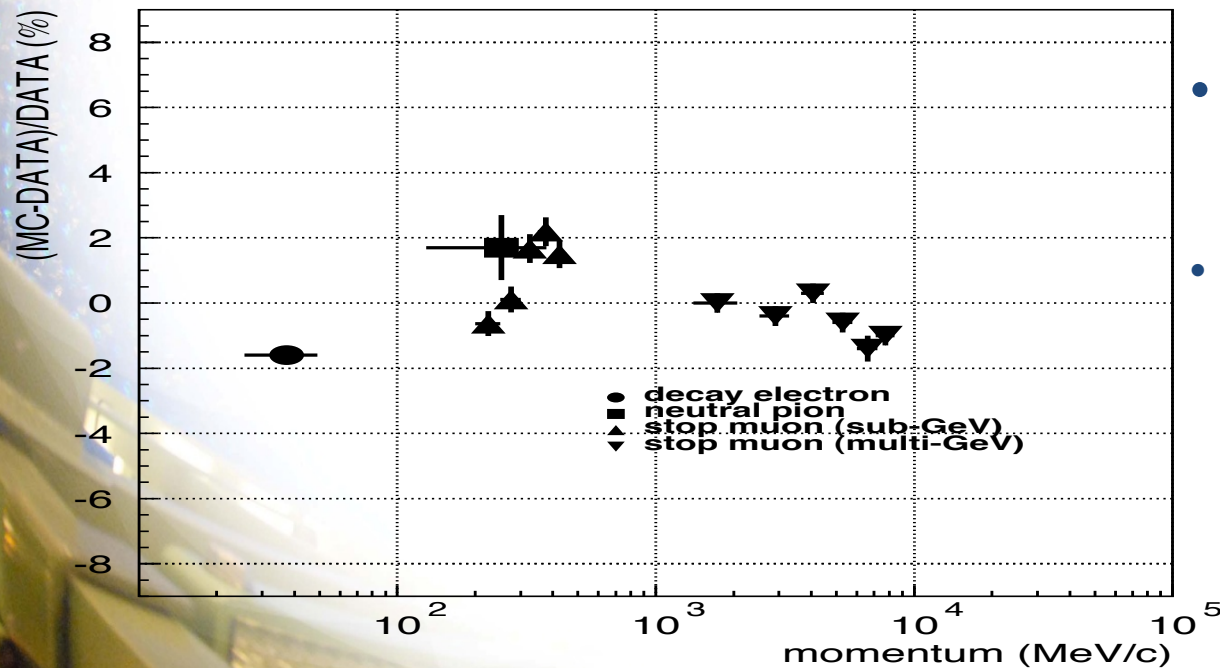
- ~15% @ Solar neutrino energy, 2~3% @ 1 GeV (SK-I, III)
- SK-II shows worse resolution due to low PMT coverage (~20%)

# Absolute Energy-Scale

Reconstructed Momentum of Decay Electron

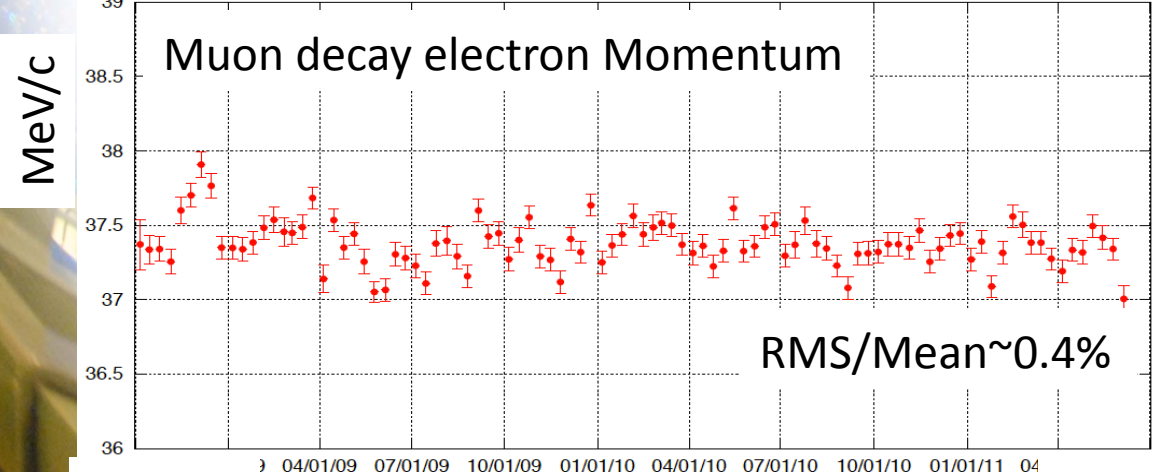
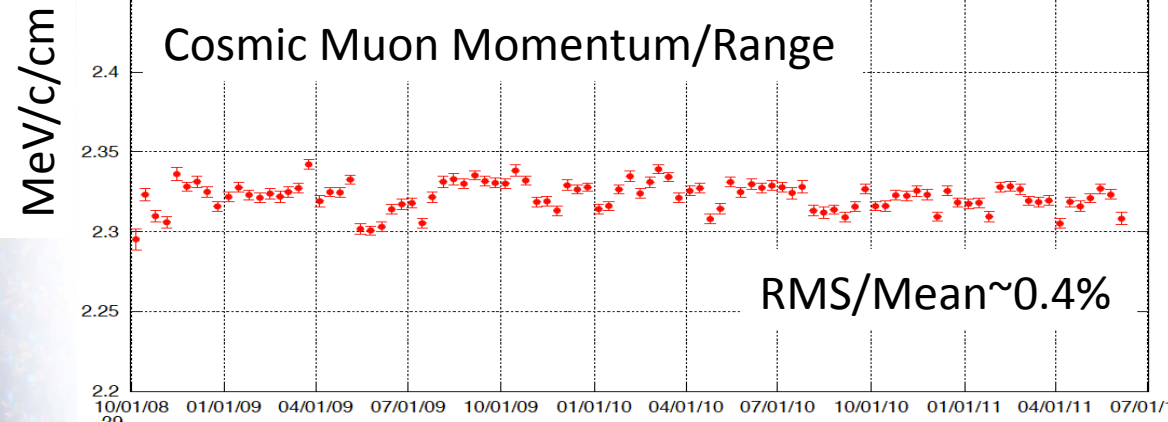
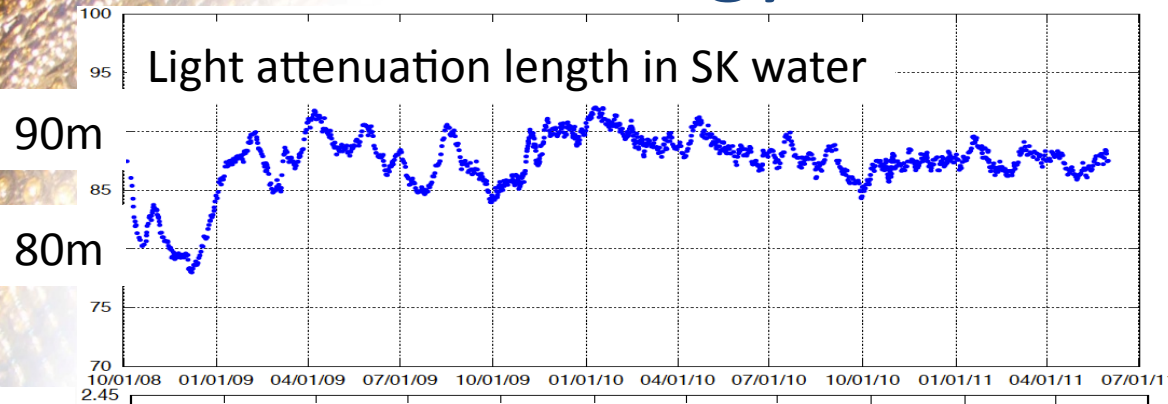


Muon decay electron momentum invariant mass of  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  Momentum/range of cosmic muons



- Evaluated with MC-DATA comparison with several physics samples
- Absolute energy scale error is within  $\pm 2\%$  through 30MeV ~ 5+ GeV

# Energy Scale Stability



- Despite that light attenuation length varies ~80m to 90m, reconstructed momentum after water attenuation correction is quite stable with RMS/Mean ~0.4%.
- (Monitored attenuation length is used in the momentum reconstruction)

# Summary

- 50,000 ton Water Čerenkov detector Super-Kamiokande
- Well calibrated with various calibration sources
- Nice performance
  - Vertex resolution  $\sim 30\text{cm}$  @ sub-GeV
  - MissID rate of  $\nu_\mu$  CCQE as electron-like:  $\sim 0.5\%$
  - Energy Scale error  $< 2\%$ , stability  $\sim 0.4\%$  RMS/mean
  - Energy resolution:  $\sim 15\%$ @solar,  $\sim 3\%$ @1GeV
- Well established technique
- Keep effort to improve its performance  $\rightarrow$   
Applicable for Next Generation WČ discussion