

XMASS

The Direct Dark Matter detection experiment

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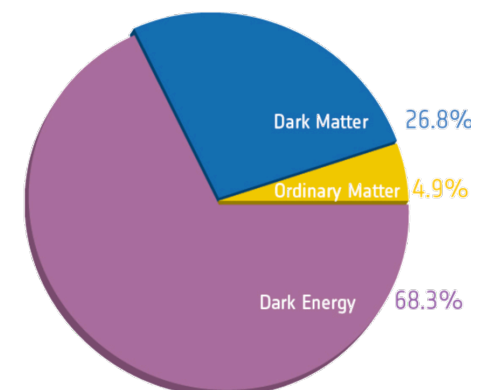
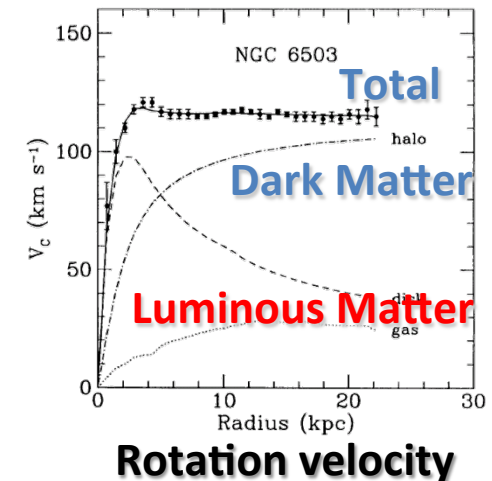
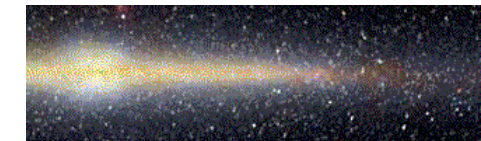
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Direct detection of Dark Matter

- **Dark Matter:**
 - One of the most important subjects for astrophysics and particle physics
- Many evidence for the existence
 - Mass of the clusters of the galaxies, Gravitational lensing, Rotation curves of Galaxies, Large scale structure of the Universe,
- **Dark Matter must exist**
 - One quarter of the energy-matter of the Universe (26.8% [Planck])
- But we do not know what they are (Neutral, Weakly Interacting, Cold, non-Baryonic,)
 - WIMPS, AXION,...
- **Direct detection**
 - Unveils the true nature of dark matter



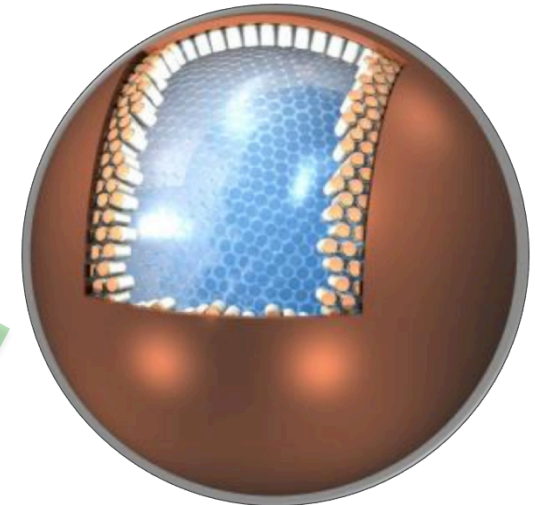
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Multi-purpose liq. Xenon detector

- Final Goal: 10 ton fiducial mass, 25 ton total (2.5m ϕ)
 - pp-solar neutrinos: $\nu+e \rightarrow \nu+e$
 - Double beta decay $^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba} + 2e^-$
 - Dark Matter: WIMPs, Axions, Axion Like Particles
- Single phase detector (scintillation only)
 - Simple, Scalable, ...
 - BG reduction by self-shielding
 - Challenge
 - Need low radio-active background
- Staging Approach

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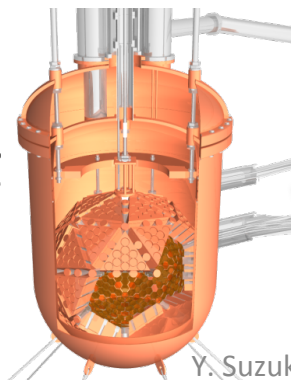
XMASS-II
Multi-purpose
10 ton /25 ton



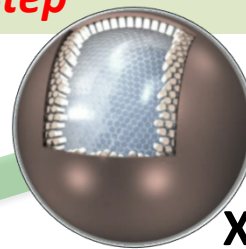
**Need Intermediate size
Next Step**

XMASS-I

100kg/835kg
Dark Matter



XMASS-1.5
1 ton /5 ton
Dark Matter



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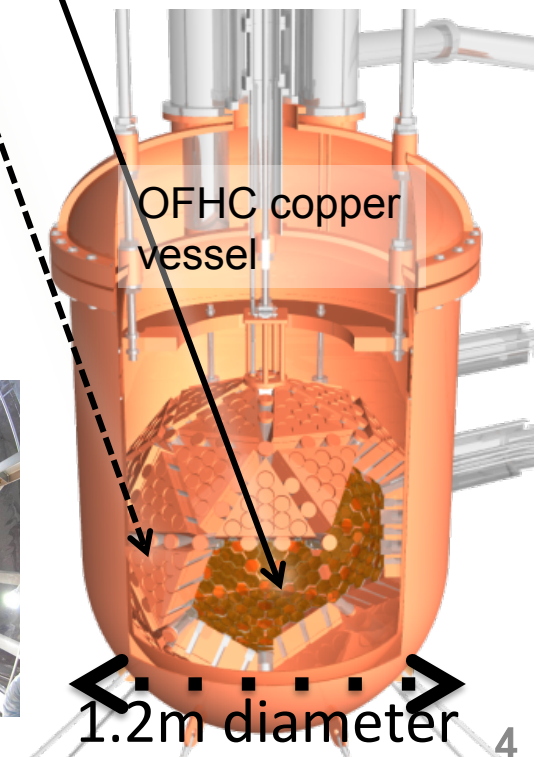
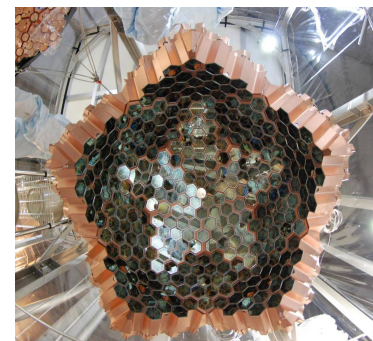
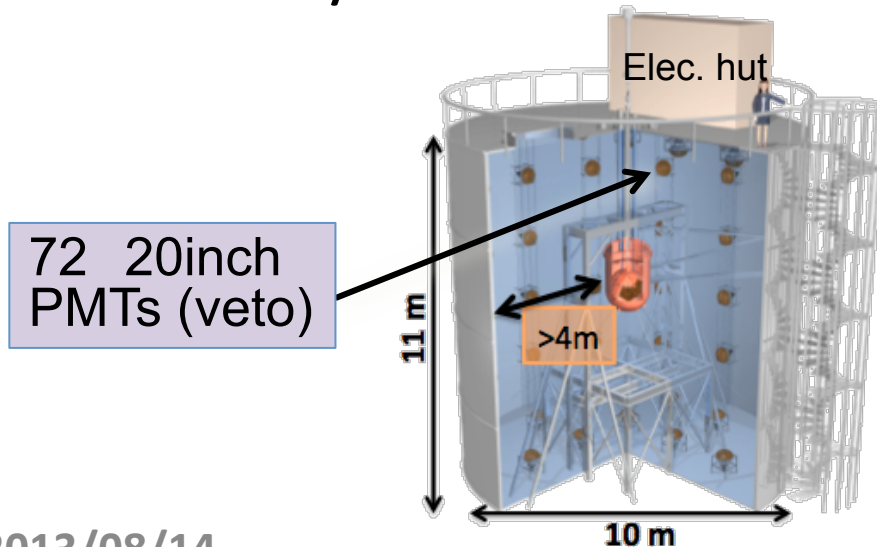
Y. Suzuki @Windows on the Universe in Quy Nhon, Vietnam

- 100 kg fid. mass, [835 kg inner mass (0.8 m ϕ)]
- 630 hexagonal & 12 round PMTs with 28-39% Q.E.
- Sensitive also to electron/ γ events

The phase-I XMASS

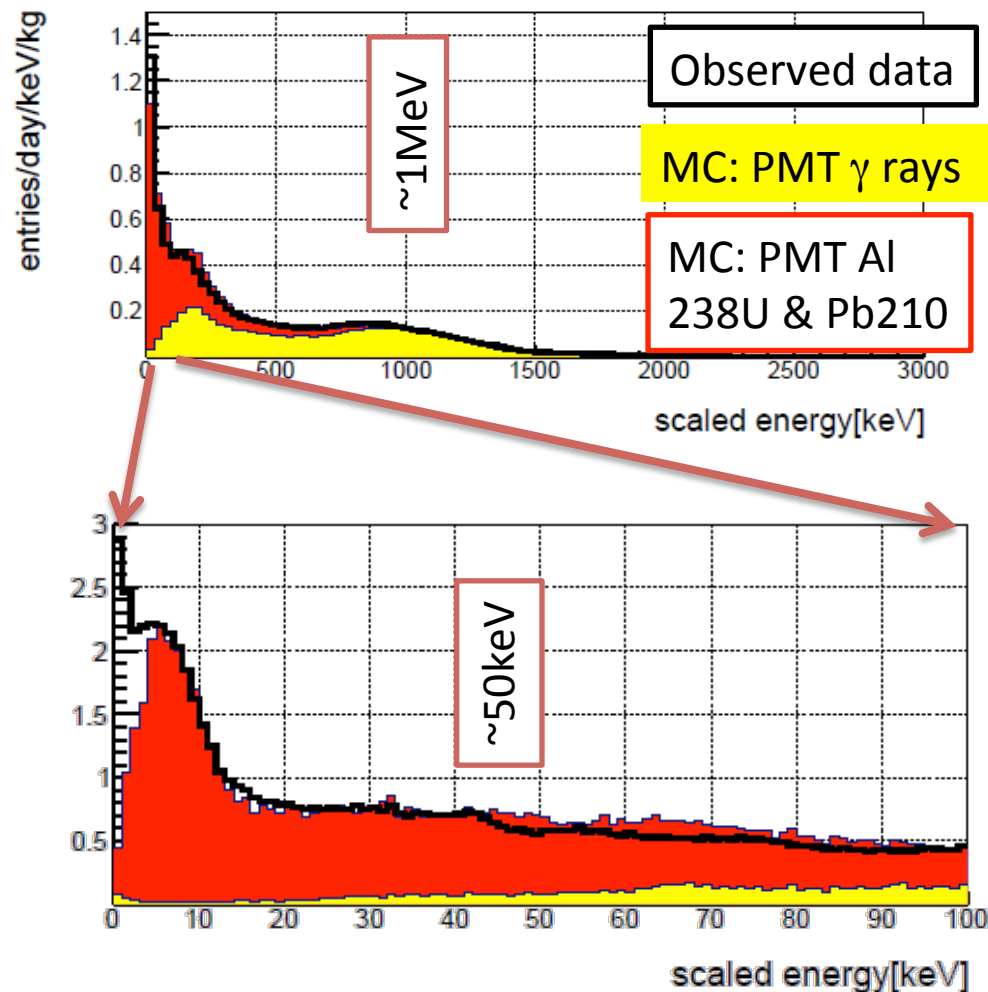
What we have learnt

- photocathode coverage: > 62% inner surface: **14.7 \pm 1.2 pe/keV (largest)**
- Threshold achieved: **0.3 keVee w/o reconstruction (lowest)**, and 5 keVee w/ reconstruction



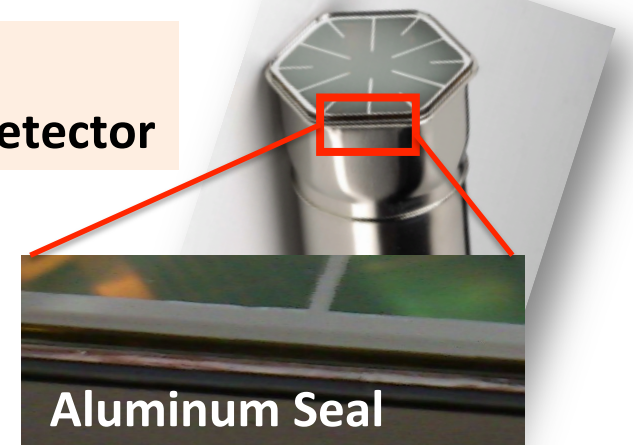
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Unexpected backgrounds



- Suspected detector parts were examined again, and found that
 - Aluminum seal used between quartz window and metal body of the PMTs contains ^{238}U (upper chain) and ^{210}Pb

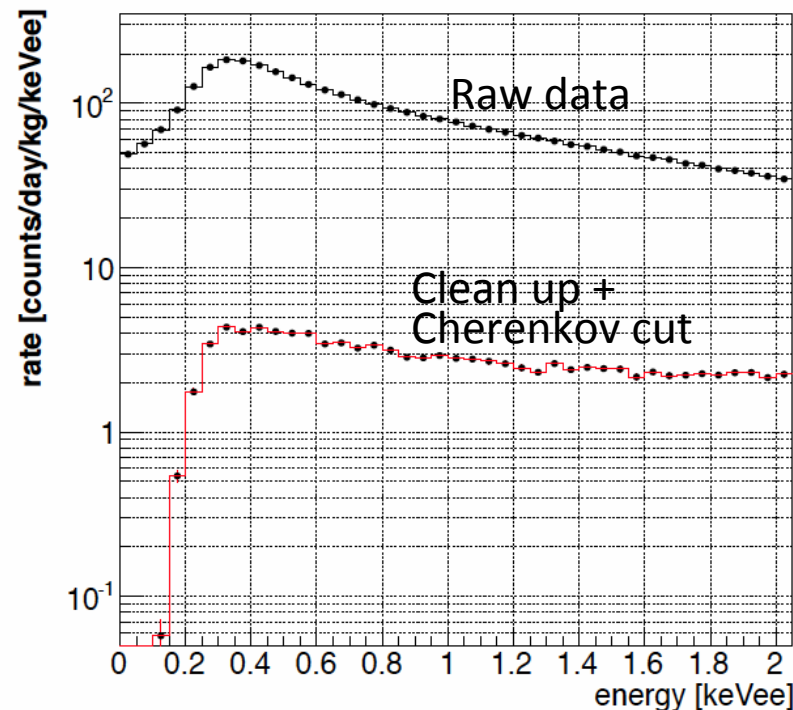
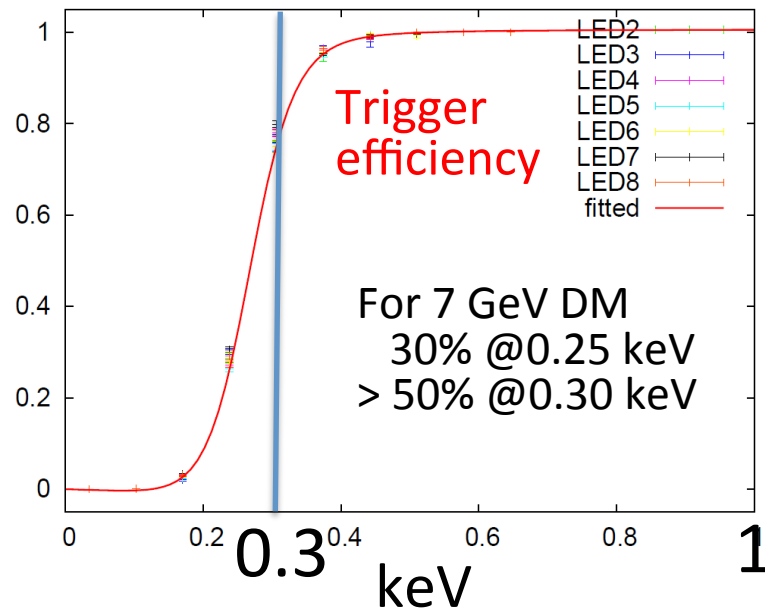
~40mBq
/entire detector



- A fraction of those surface BGs leaks into the fiducial mass region by the vertex reconstruction
- Need to replace all the PMT for the next phase, XMASS1.5

Whole Volume Analysis with lowest threshold data

- We took data with **4 hits threshold** and analyze the events above **> 0.3 keVee** for entire volume
- Advantage of **the high light yields**



6.64 days in Feb., 2012

- Clean up
- Cut: Cherenkov event rejection

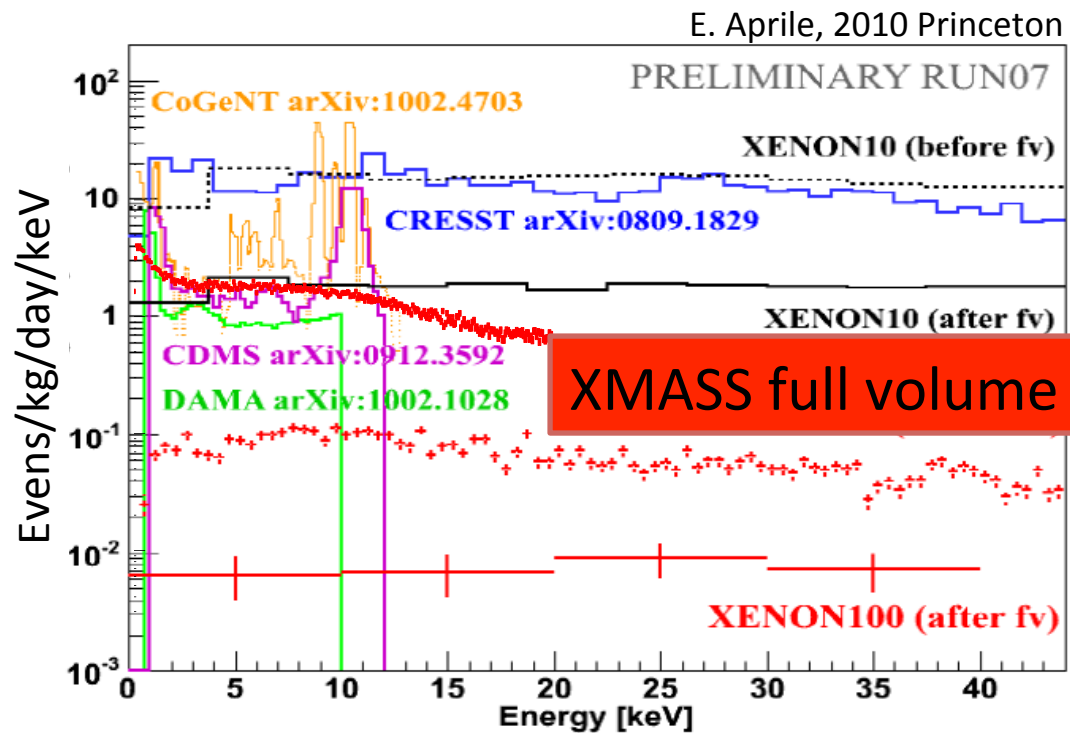
$(\# \text{ of hits in } 20\text{ns window}) / (\text{total } \# \text{ of hits}) > 0.6$
Scintillation: ~ 0.5 , Cherenkov: $0.9 \sim 1$

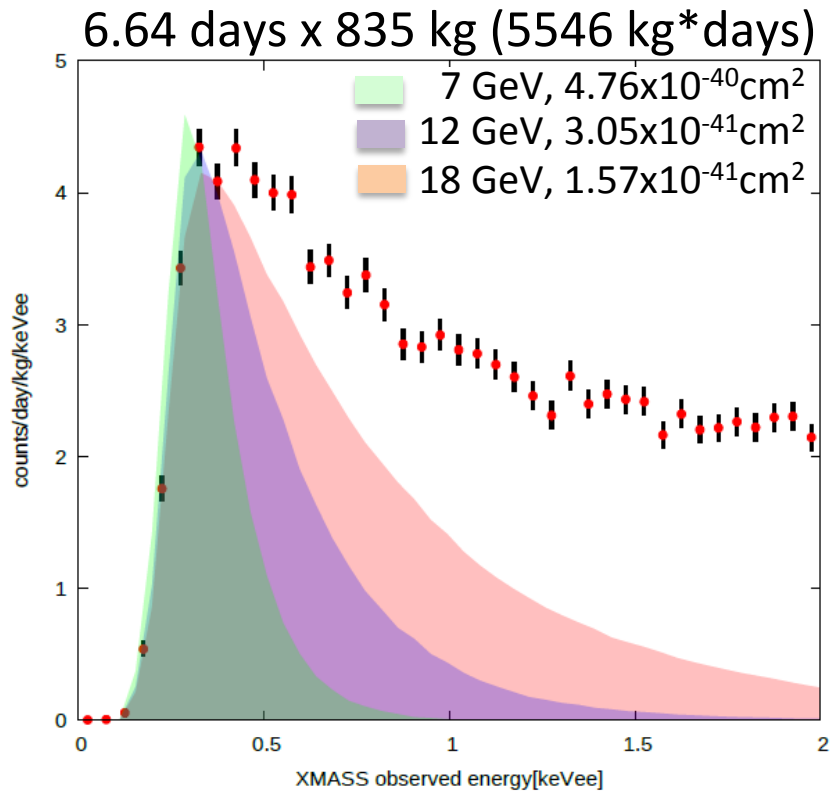
– ^{40}K decay in photo cathodes to create Cherenkov in the window of PMT

2013/08/14 – Most BG in this energy region

Background level

- Our BG level (whole volume) after removing Cherenkov events is 'low' even with the unexpected surface backgrounds.





- Compare Dark Matter MC to the data
- Obtain the maximum cross section (upper limits) of the spectrum not to exceed the observed data points.
- Current XMASS is close to the allowed regions of DAMA/CoGeNT/CRESST/CDMSII-Si.

We will reduce the backgrounds in very near future

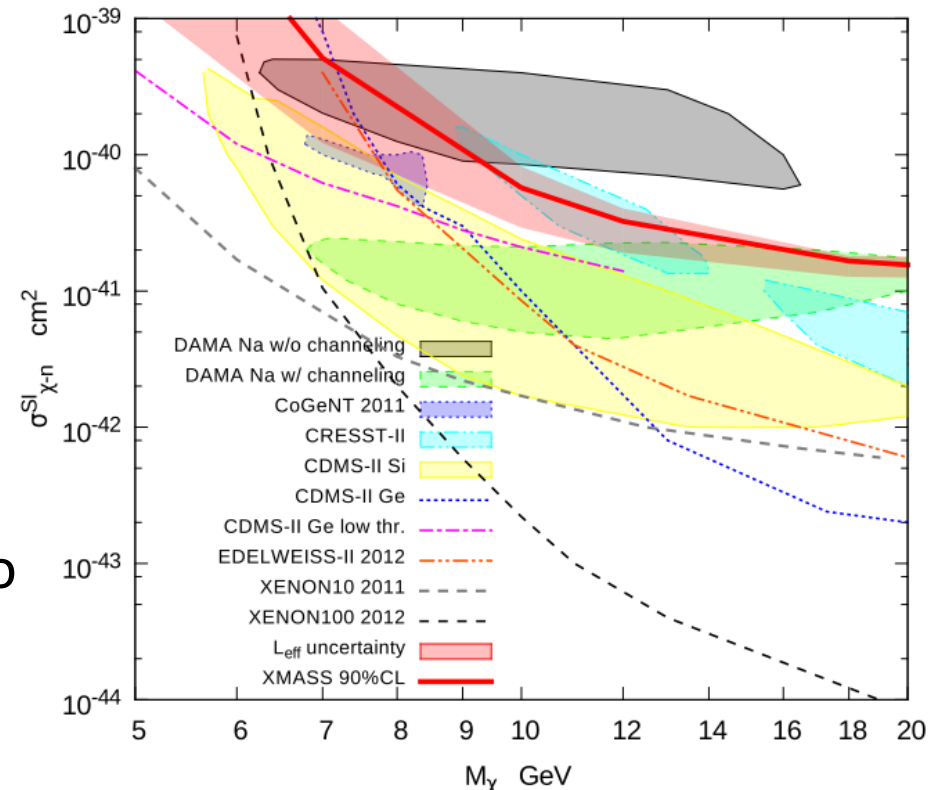
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Results on low mass dark matter

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XMASS: stat.+syst. (90% lower bound)

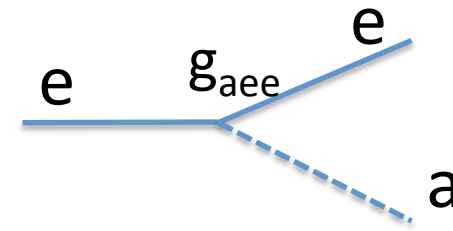
← L_{eff} uncertainty band



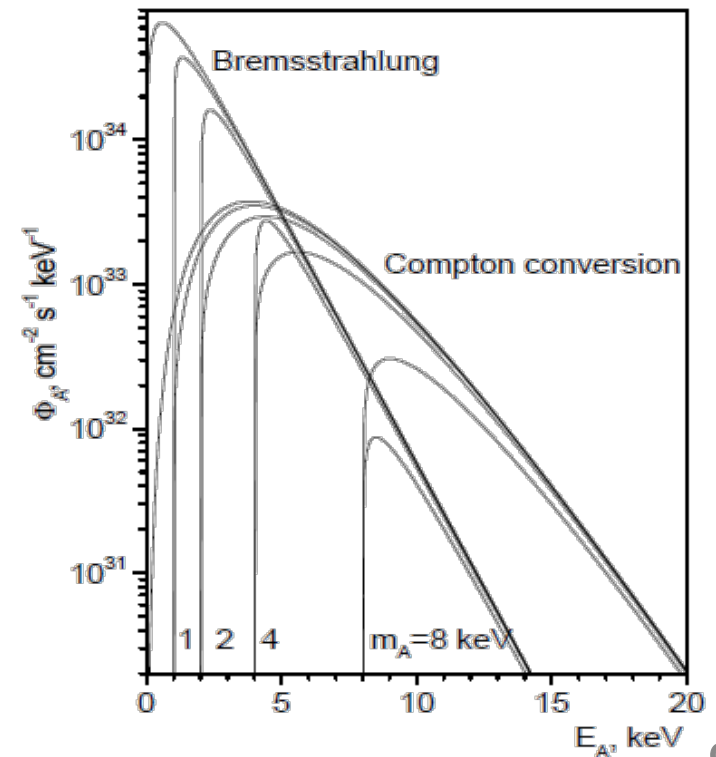
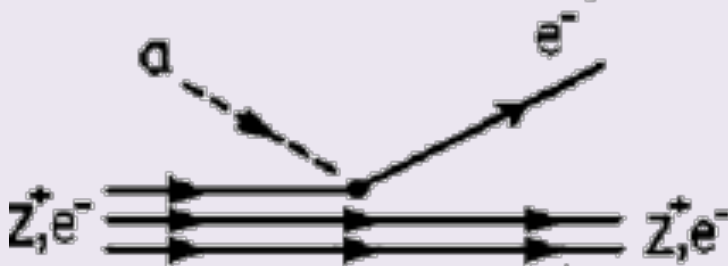
Solar Axions

Bremsstrahlung and Compton scattering (g_{aee})

- **Production:** Various mechanism
 1. Bremsstrahlung and Compton scattering (g_{aee}) ← for our study
 2. Primakoff effect ($g_{a\gamma\gamma}$)
 3. Nuclear de-excitation (^{57}Fe) (g_{aN})
 - Line signal @14.4 keV

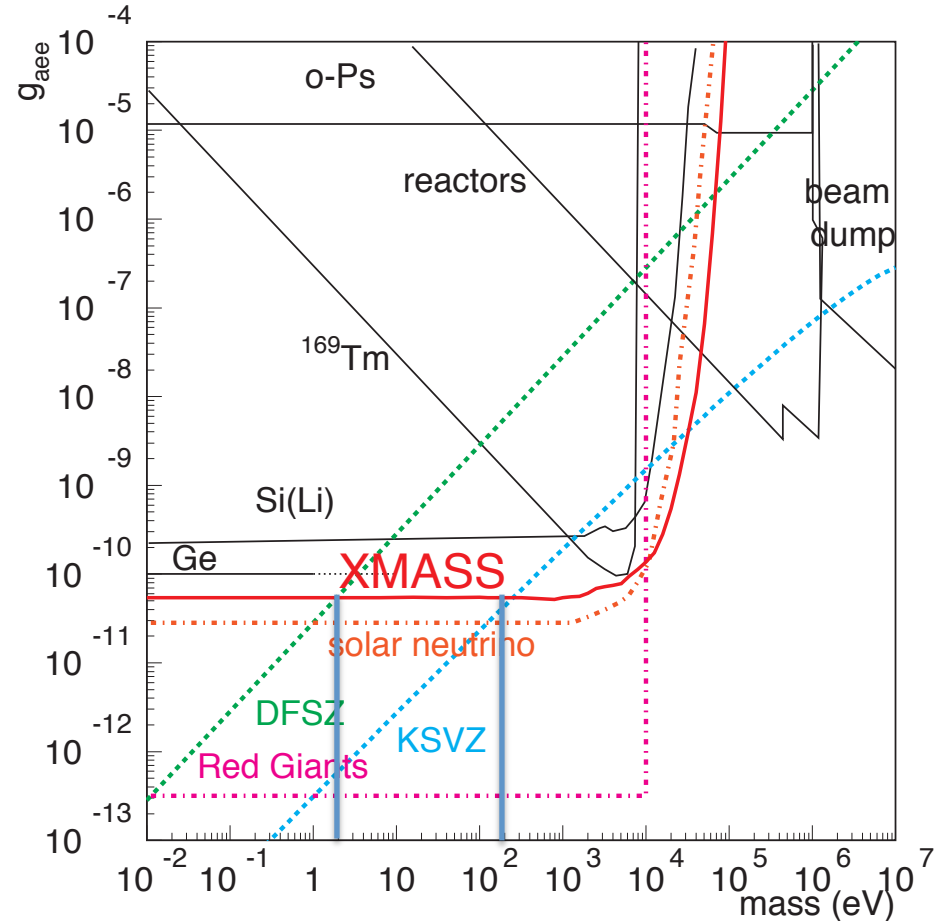
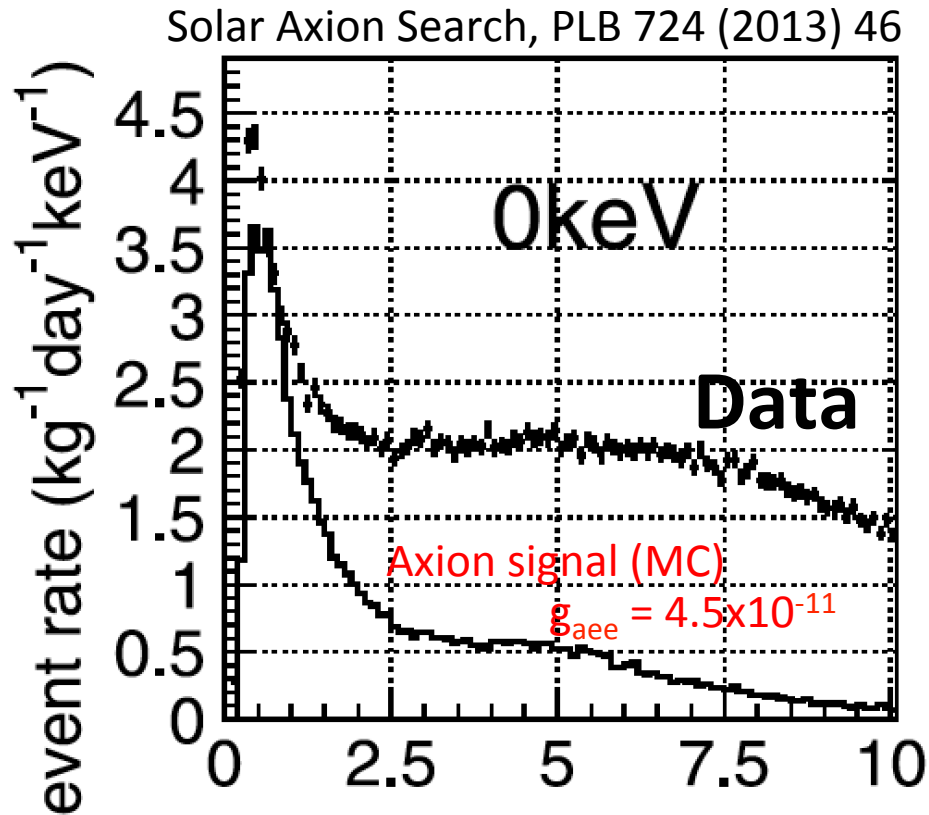


Observation: through axio-electric effect (g_{aee})



Solar Axions

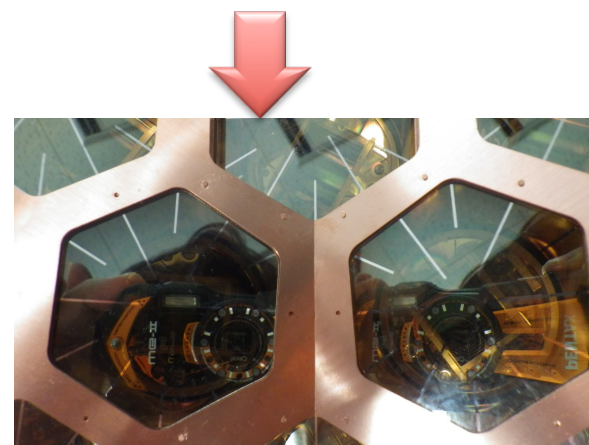
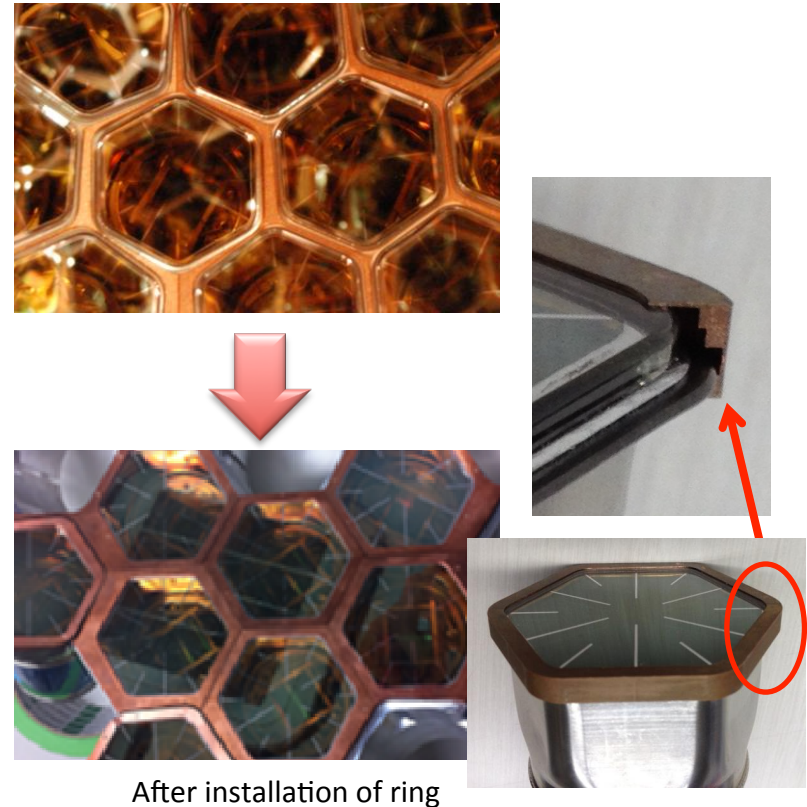
Bremsstrahlung and Compton scattering (g_{aee})



- Limits from absolute maximum: $g_{aee} = 4.5 \times 10^{-11}$
- Allowed mass for particular models:
 $< 200 \text{ eV}$ for KSVZ; $< 2 \text{ eV}$ for DFSZ

Refurbishment of XMASS-I

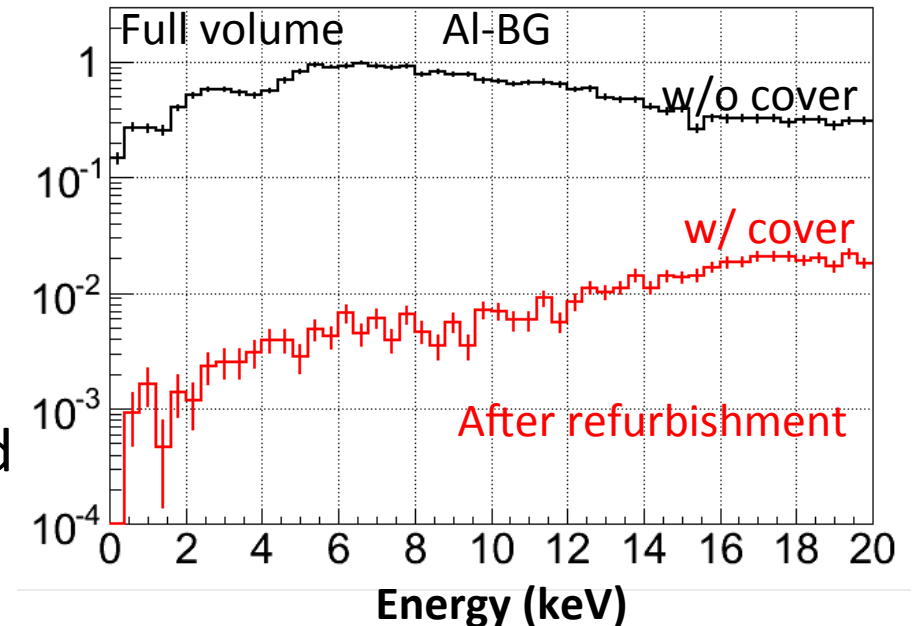
- Immediate improvement
 - We also understand the backgrounds further
 - Establish the methods how to reduce those backgrounds.
- 1) PMT Al-seal (Source of the most BG)
- Difficult to remove
 - Shield scintillation light originating from the PMT Al (α , β)
 - Installation of Cu ring around the PMT around the PMT Al-seal
 - Place a Cu-plate over the gaps between PMT Rings
 - But cannot stop γ BG



Refurbishment

2) Reduce the BG (^{210}Pb , ^{210}Po) on Cu surface (2nd largest component in the remaining BG)

- Clean up surface ^{210}Pb
 - Rn daughters, O($< \mu\text{m}$) below the surface
 - Grind and electro-polishing
- Work in the low Rn environment ($< 10\text{mBq/m}^3$)
- Test for XMASS1.5
- Expect 1/100 reduction of BG
- Refurbish work has already started in July and will be completed in early October
 - Limited modifications: not sufficient to get the satisfactory sensitivity
 - ➔ need XMASS1.5



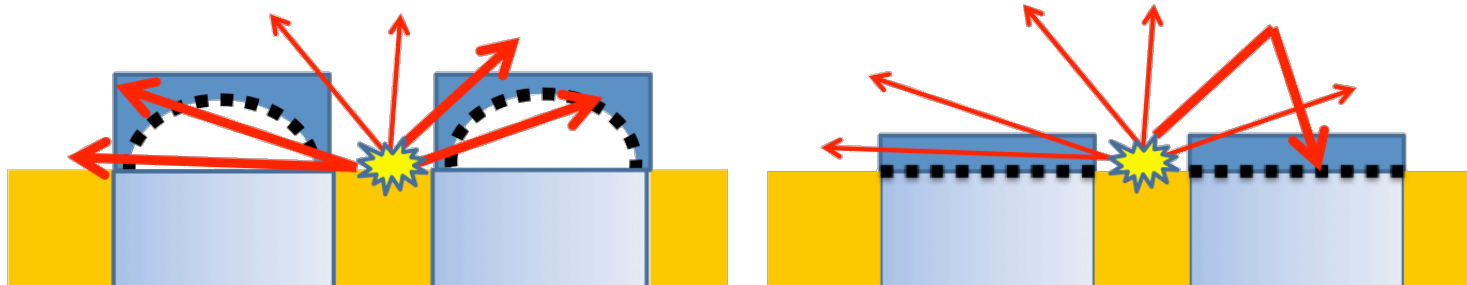
XMASS1.5

- Next step: XMASS1.5
 - 5 ton total mass and 1 ton fiducial mass. ⇔ comparable sensitivity to XENON1t

Improvement (learnt from XMASS-I)

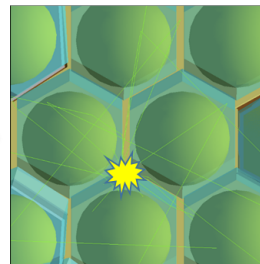
- Reduce surface backgrounds
 - Follow the low background technology established in the refurbishment of XMASS-I
 - No dirty material (Al, ...)
- Use new PMTs, not only w/o dirty Al, but..

New PMTs for XMASS1.5



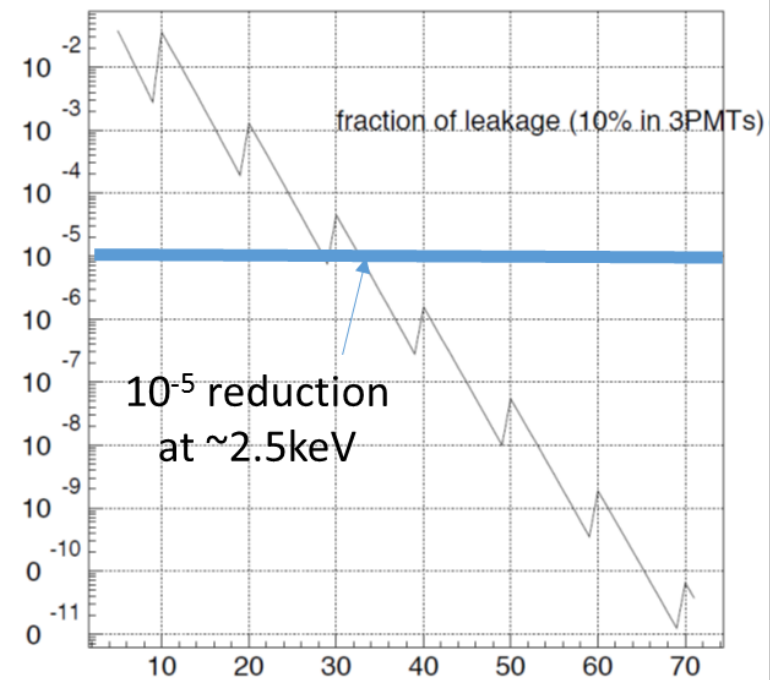
- Convex type round PMTs: Better identification of surface events (BG) by using the adjacent ones
- Sum of the detected photons of 3 PMTs surrounding the vertex of the surface events:

48% detection
for this configuration



- At 2.5 keV, if > 10%, then only 10^{-5} of surface BG ($O(1)$) will leak into the fiducial volume

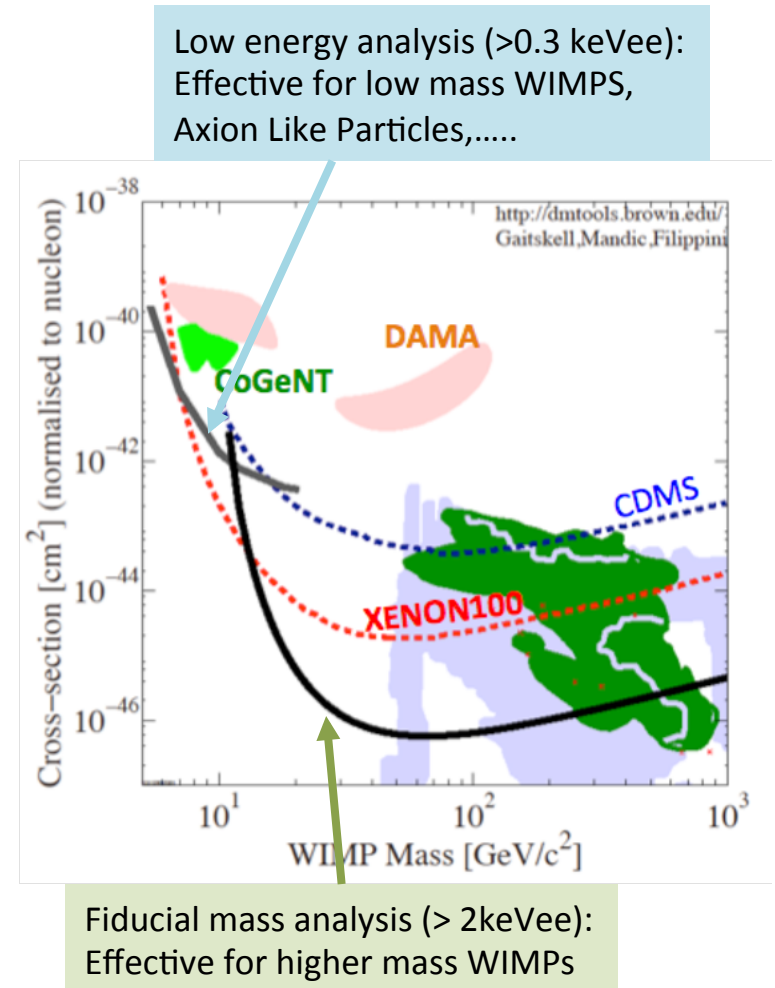
***XMASS1.5* → $10^{-4}/\text{kg}/\text{d}/\text{keV}$**



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Sensitivity of XMASS1.5

- Sensitivity
 - Fid volume cut analysis (1 ton, >2keVee)
 - $\sigma_{SI} < 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2 \Leftrightarrow \text{XENON1t}$
 - Whole volume analysis (5 ton, >0.3 keVee) [14.73 photo-electrons/keV]
 - $\sigma_{SI} < \sim \text{a few } \times 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2$
for low mass dark matter
- Time schedule
 - 2014 - 15: Construction
 - 2016: Start data taking



Summary

- From XMASS-I, we have learnt that
 - High light yield (14.7 pe /keVee); Low threshold (0.3 keVee)
 - But surface BGs are most crucial issue for single phase detectors
 - Demonstration of the advantage of the low threshold and e/ γ detectability
 - Low Mass WIMP search (PLB 719(2013)78)
 - Solar Axion Search (PLB 724 (2013) 46)
- XMASS1.5
 - New PMTs
 - Suppression of the surface BG into fid. volume: 10^{-5}
 - Search for $\sigma_{SI}=10^{-46}$ cm² region: Highest sensitivity
 - Start data taking in 2016
- Refurbishment of XMASS-I is on going
 - Place covers around PMT-Al-Seal, not complete, γ -exist
 - To demonstrate the handling of BG
 - Data taking in October, 2013.

Time schedule

