

# Status of Short BaseLine Neutrino Experiment (SBL) in Korea

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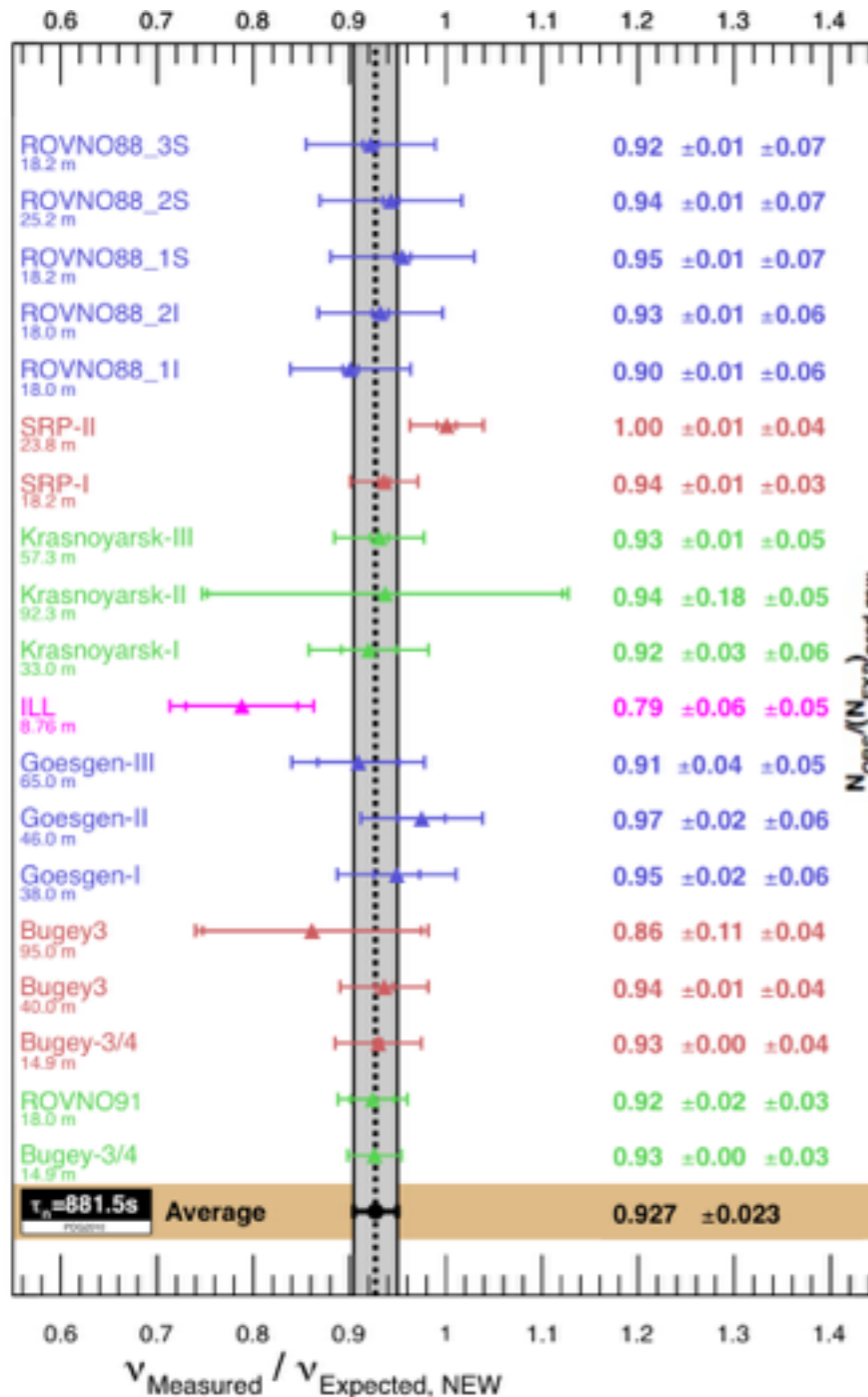
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# Outline

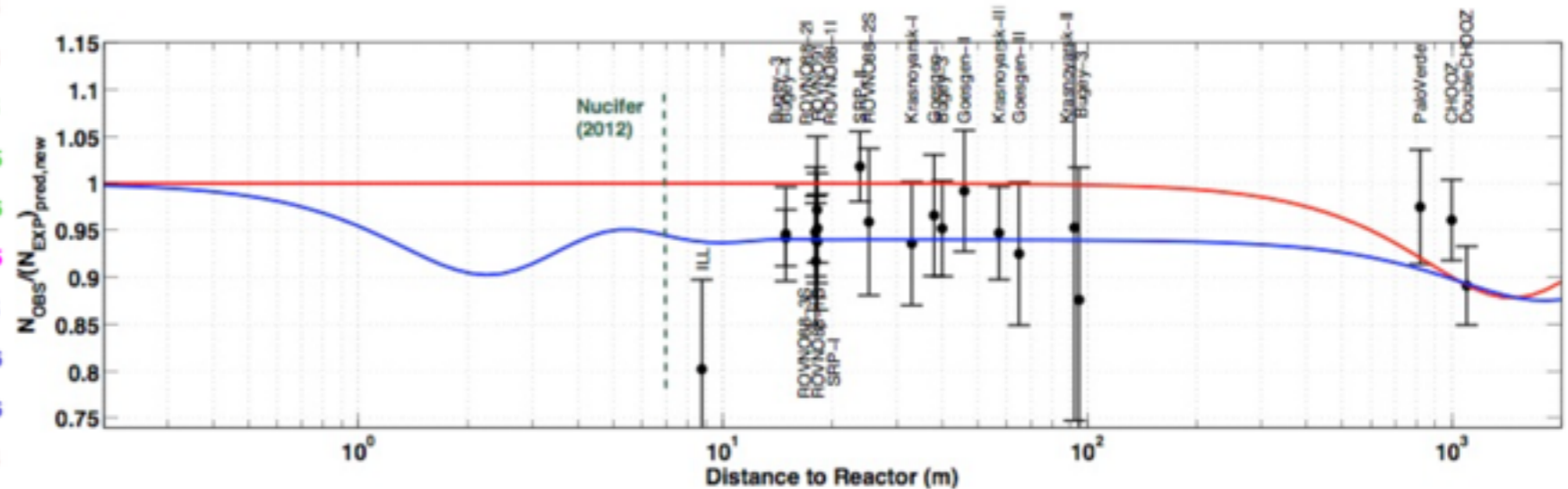
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- Reactor antineutrino anomaly
- Short baseline experiment and detector deployment sites in Korea
- Prototype detectors
  - Measurement of backgrounds above ground
  - Test on capability of PSD
  - Detector and background simulation
- Main detectors
  - Conceptual design and deployment site
  - Schedule and plan
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# Reactor antineutrino anomaly



- red line shows the theoretical expectation of 3 active neutrino mixing
- blue line is for including new neutrino mass state



Average is  $0.927 \pm 0.023$

# Short BaseLine Neutrino Experiment (SBL)

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- Collaborators: 25 researchers from 8 universities and institutes

- Sejong Univ.: 2
- IBS: 7
- Chonnam Nat'l Univ.: 5
- Chonbuk Nat'l Univ.: 3
- Chung-Ang Univ.: 2
- KRISS: 2
- Kyungpook Nat'l Univ.: 2
- KAERI: 2

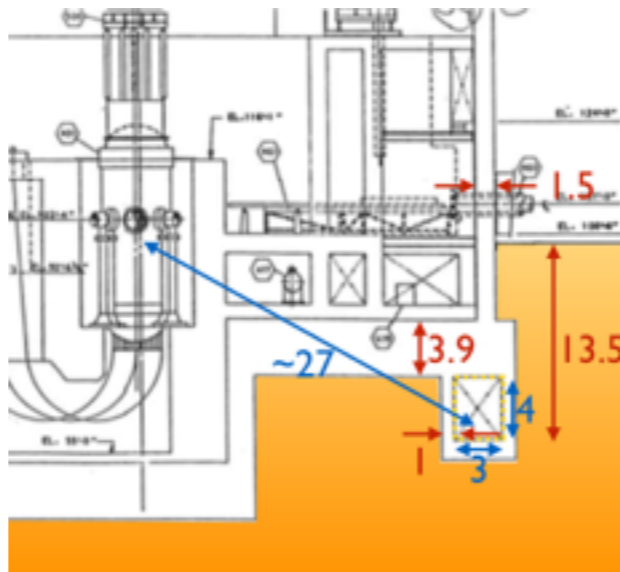


# Detector deployment sites: 3 candidates

- HANARO



- HANBIT(old name: Yonggwang)



- GIJANG



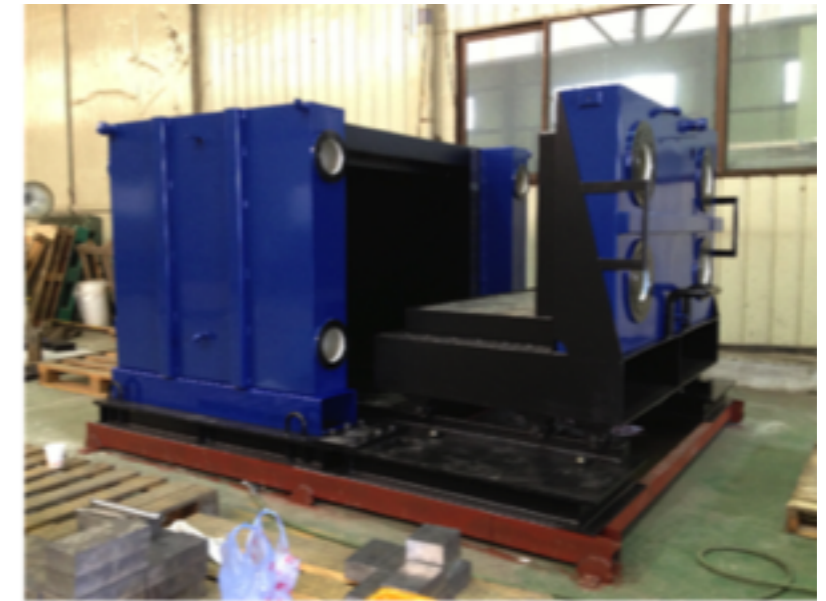
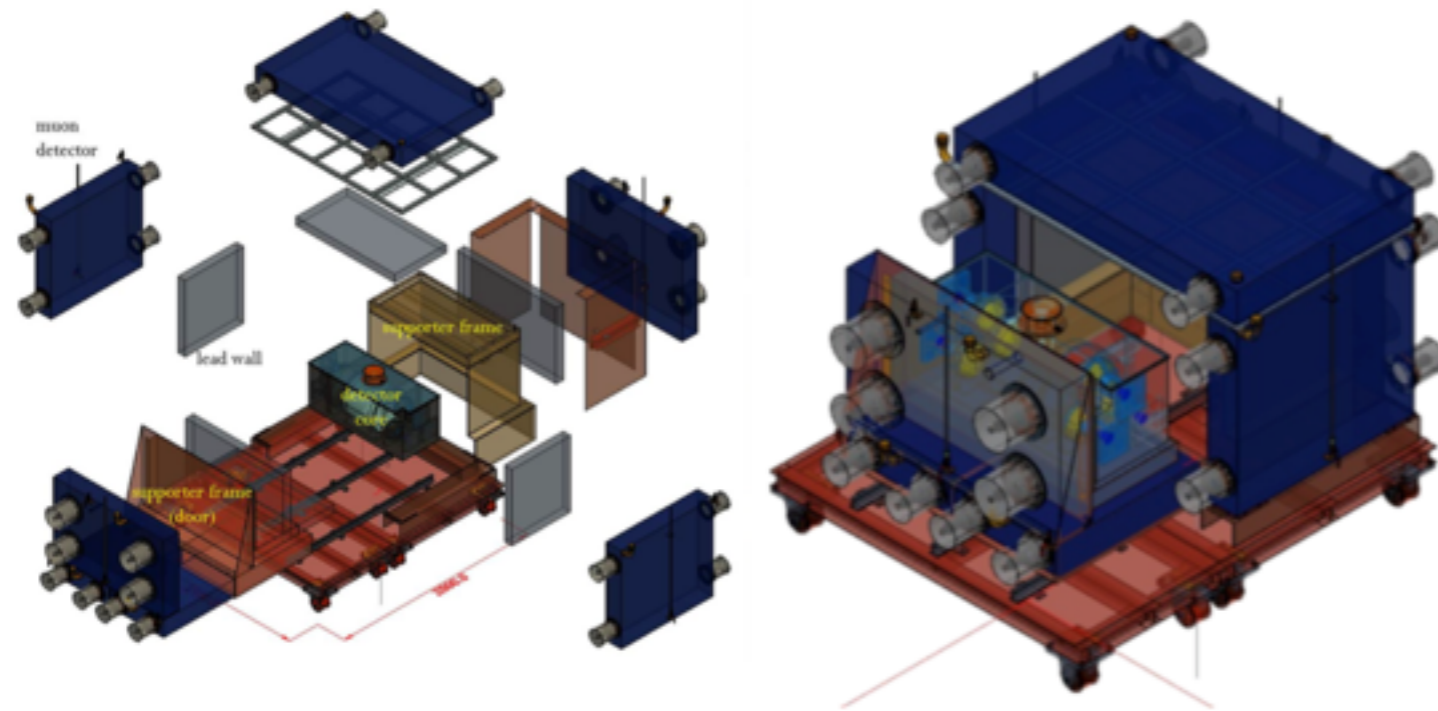
| Candidates | Baseline | Thermal | # of events/day | Overburden  | S/N (w/ PSD) |
|------------|----------|---------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| HANARO     | 6m       | 30 MW   | ~250            | -           | ?            |
| HANBIT     | ~27m     | 2.8 GW  | ~1200           | 10~23 m.w.e | >5           |
| KIJANG     | 5m       | 15 MW   | ~180            | ~ 23 m.w.e  | ~1           |

# Increased Backgrounds above ground

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- Main background events are from cosmic muons and neutrons and should be reduced and rejected relative to signal
  - Overburden over the detector is crucial to the ratio of signal to background
  - Detector requires good sensitivity of particle identification by PSD
- We made a prototype detector for the background studies above ground
  - We measured background events for different overburden over the detector at two places
    - KT1 lab with little overburden
    - Sejong lab with  $\sim 1.5$  m.w.e overburden
  - We tested the capability of PSD with different target material filled in prototype detector
    - LAB-based LS
    - DIN-based LS: UG-F

# Prototype detector

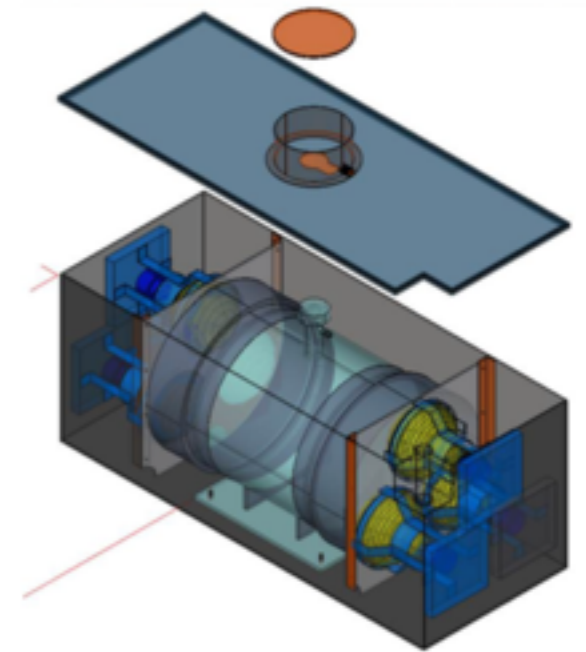
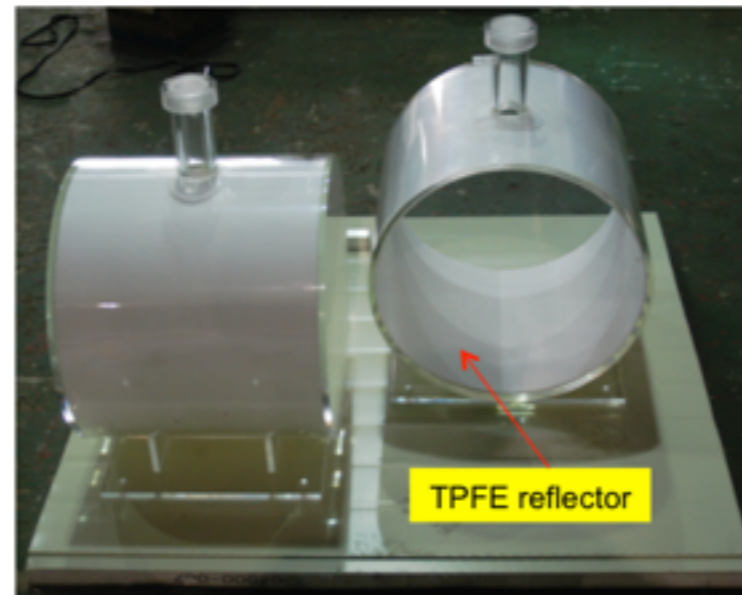


- Muon veto
  - 7 cubic steel chambers with 25cm thickness to cover  $4\pi$
  - filled with liquid scintillator
- Lead shield
  - 10cm thickness
  - to block external gammas



# Prototype detector

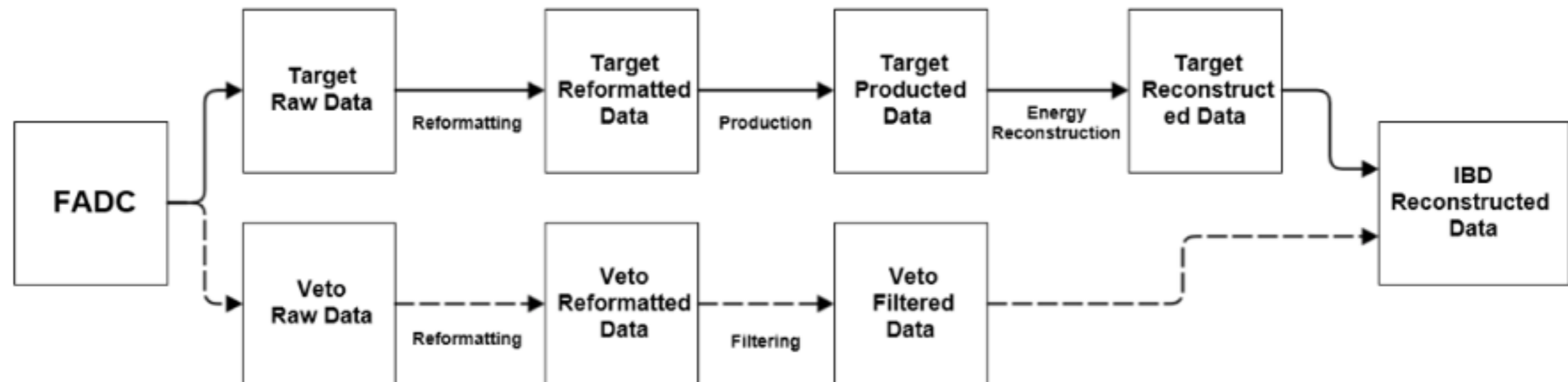
- Dark box
  - 1.3x0.5x0.5m<sup>3</sup> rectangular stainless steel vessel
  - filled with ~280L of non-scintillating mineral oil
  - covered with mu-metal to shield against magnetic field
- Target
  - 50L of 0.5% Gd loaded LS (LAB-based)
  - 5mm thick teflon sheet are installed inside target vessel
- PMT
  - 6x8" PMTs (Hamamastu R5912)





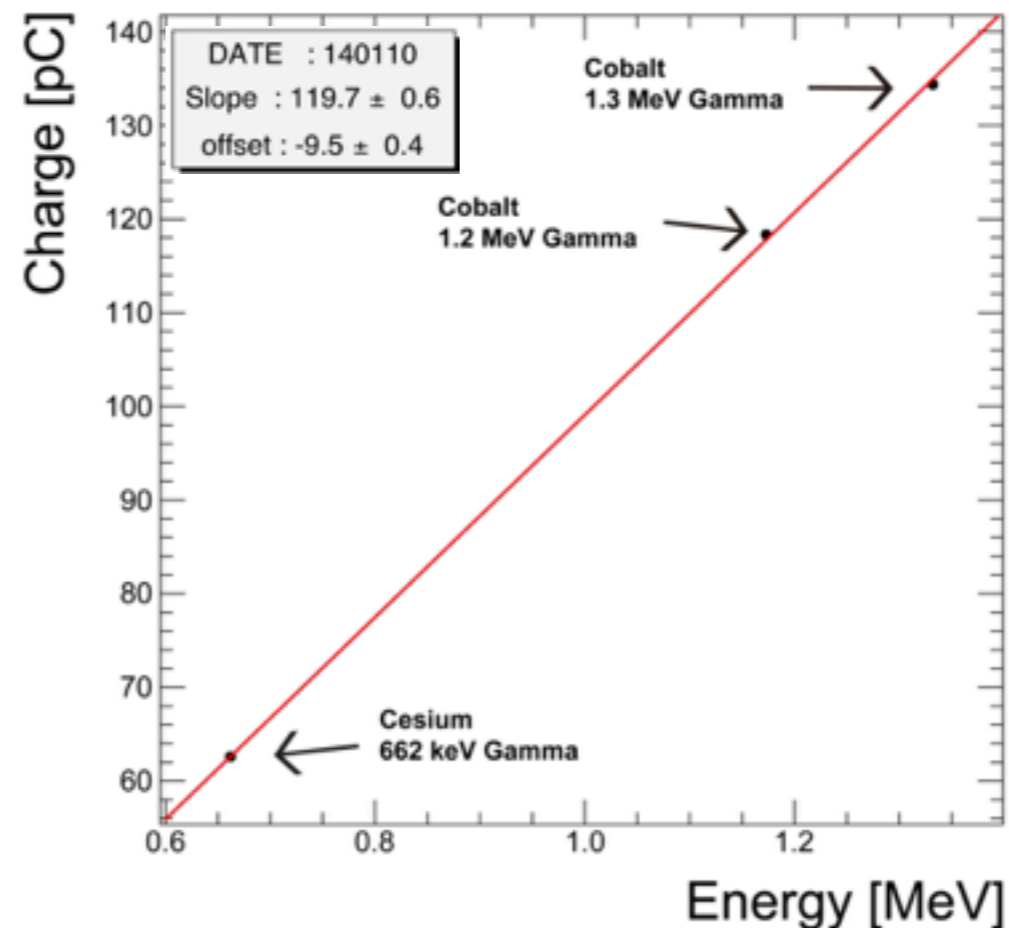
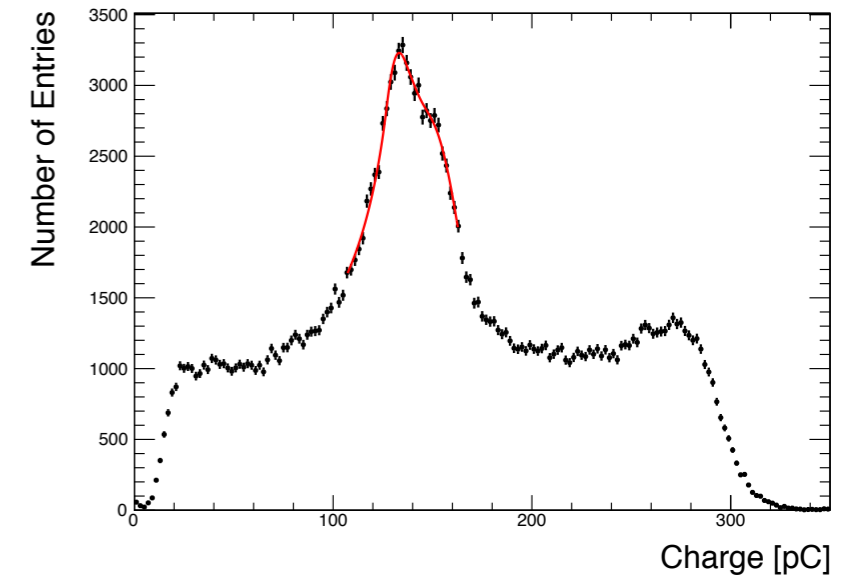
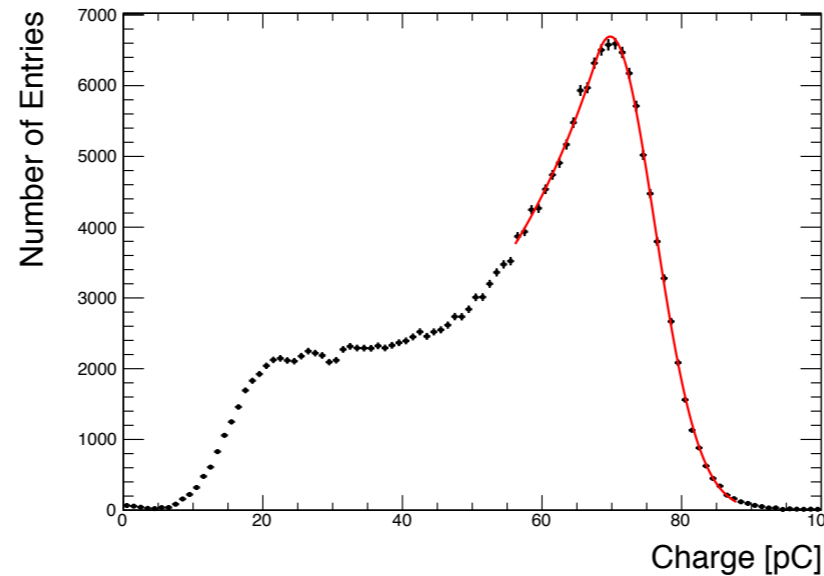
# DAQ system

- Main electronics for Target PMT signal
  - Fast digitization: 500MHz Flash ADC
  - 4 ch input, 12 bit dynamic range
  - $V_{pp} = 2.5V$
- Muon Veto Electronics
  - Slow digitization: 64MHz Flash ADC
  - Charge sensing with FPGA



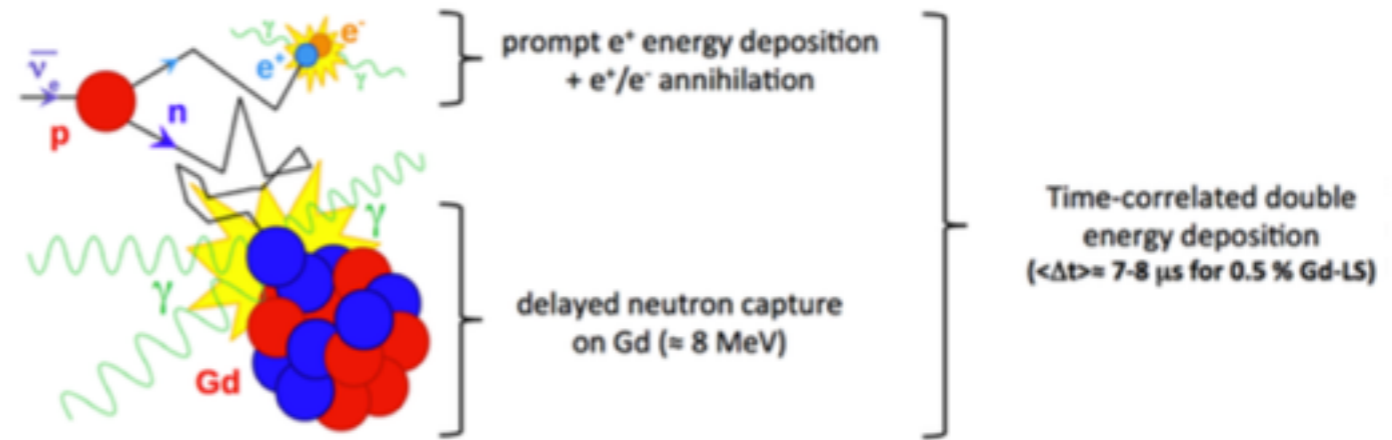
# Energy calibration and linearity

- Gamma sources of  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  and  $^{60}\text{Co}$  are used for energy calibration
- Gamma sources are set into the center of target through the chimney
- Crystal ball function is used in charge spectrum fit to handle the low energy tail by escaping gamma
- Total light yield is 680 p.e./MeV

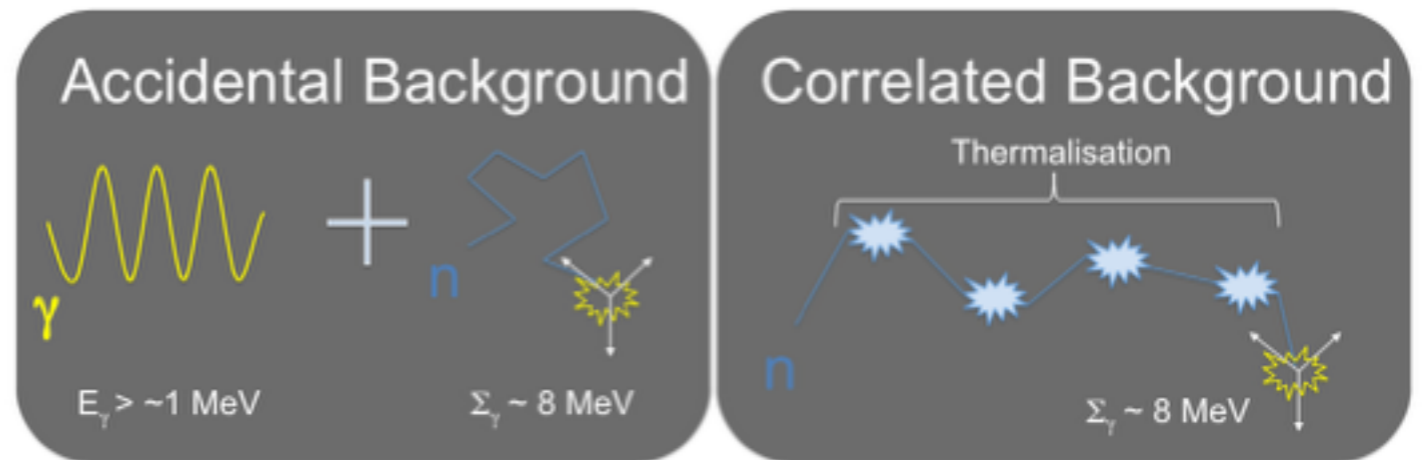


# Signal and background: neutrino-like event selection

- Inverse beta decay:

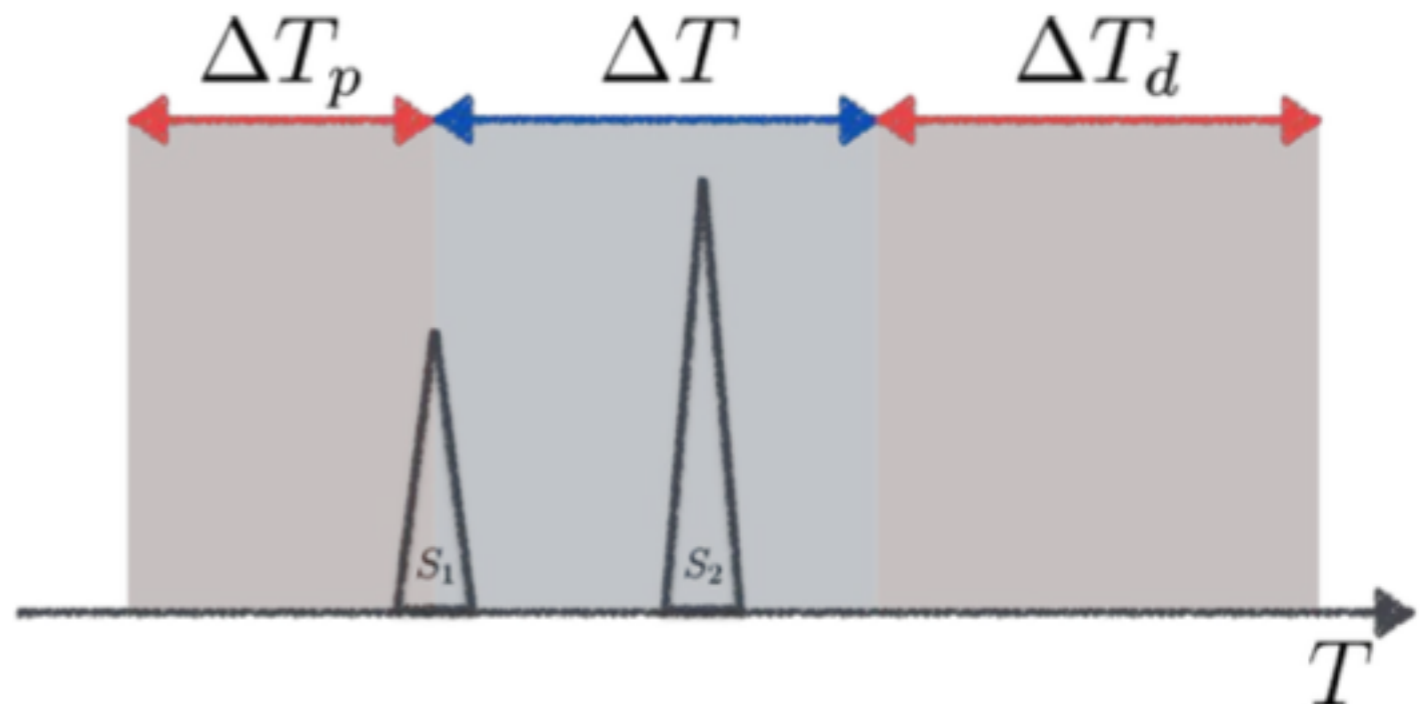


- Backgrounds:



- Selection cuts for neutrino-like event

- time difference:  $3.0 \mu s < \Delta T < 30 \mu s$
- prompt energy:  $2.0 \text{ MeV} < E_{s1} < 10 \text{ MeV}$
- delayed energy:  $3.0 \text{ MeV} < E_{s2} < 10 \text{ MeV}$
- multiplicity:  $\Delta T_p = 30 \mu s$ ,  $\Delta T_d = 100 \mu s$

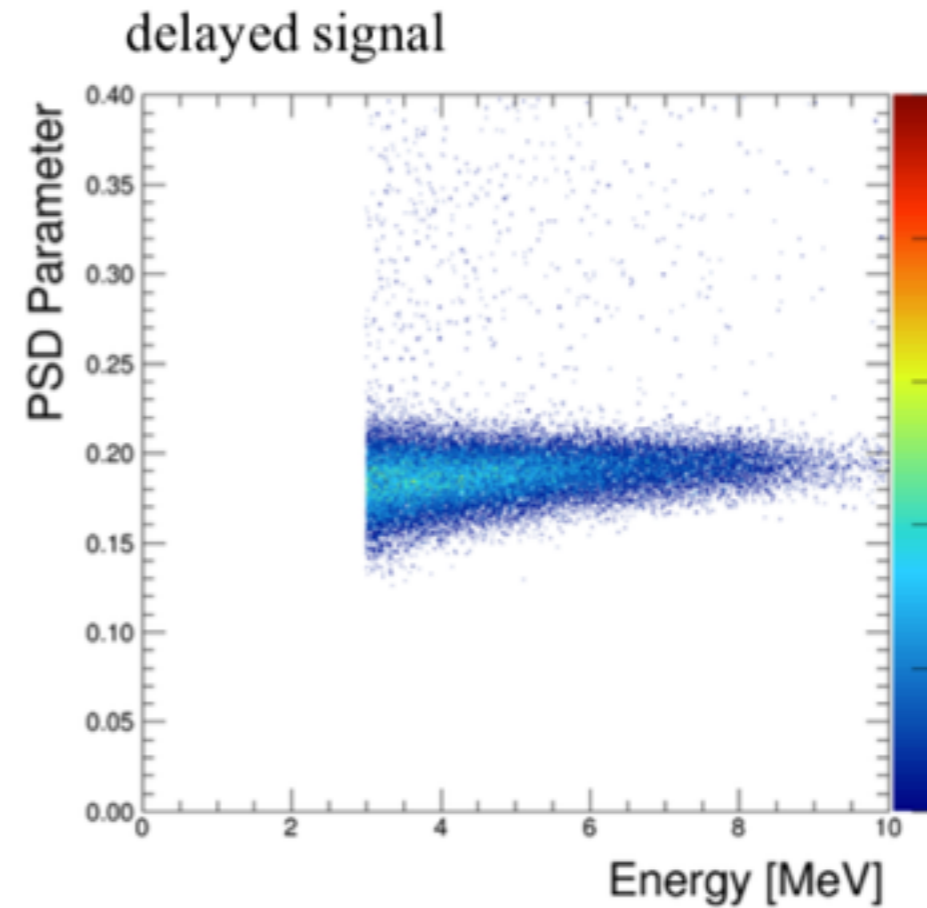
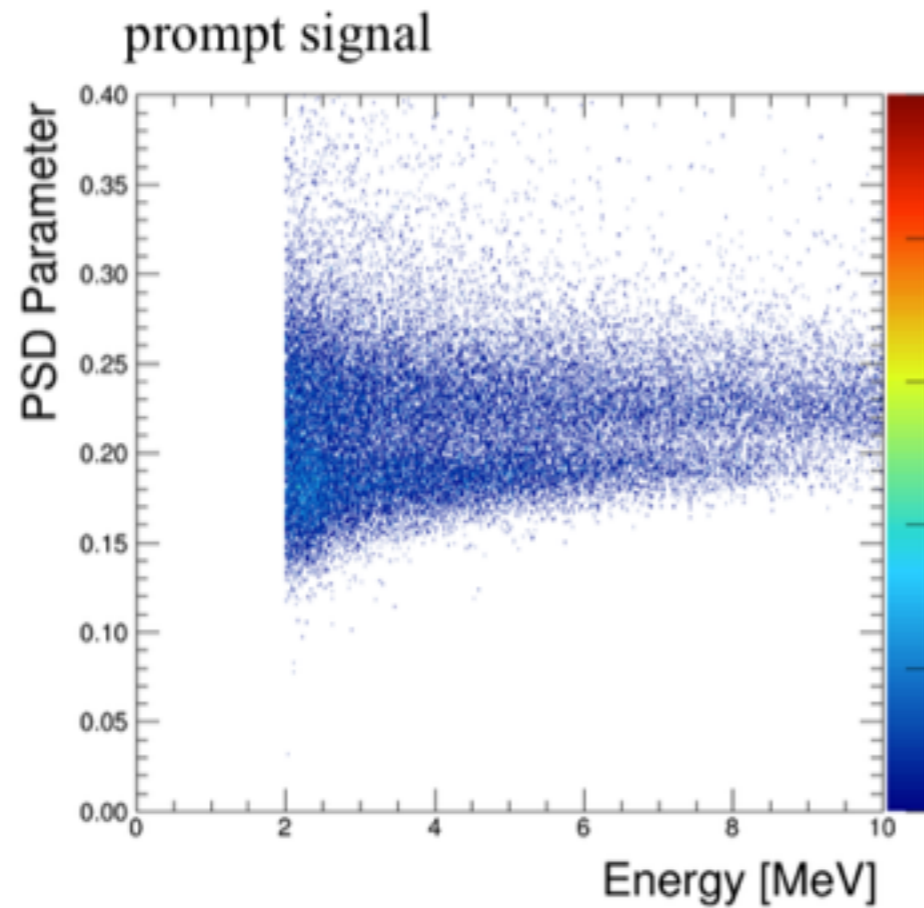


# Measurement of backgrounds above ground

| place      | overburden | target material | neutrino-like events [/day] |        | rejected fraction by PSD |
|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
|            |            |                 | w/o PSD                     | w/ PSD |                          |
| Sejong lab | ~1.5 m.w.e | LAB-based GdLS  | 670                         | 304    | 55%                      |
| KT1 lab    | -          | LAB-based GdLS  | 4400                        | 2720   | 38%                      |
|            | -          | UG-F GdLS       | 3920                        | 2075   | 48%                      |

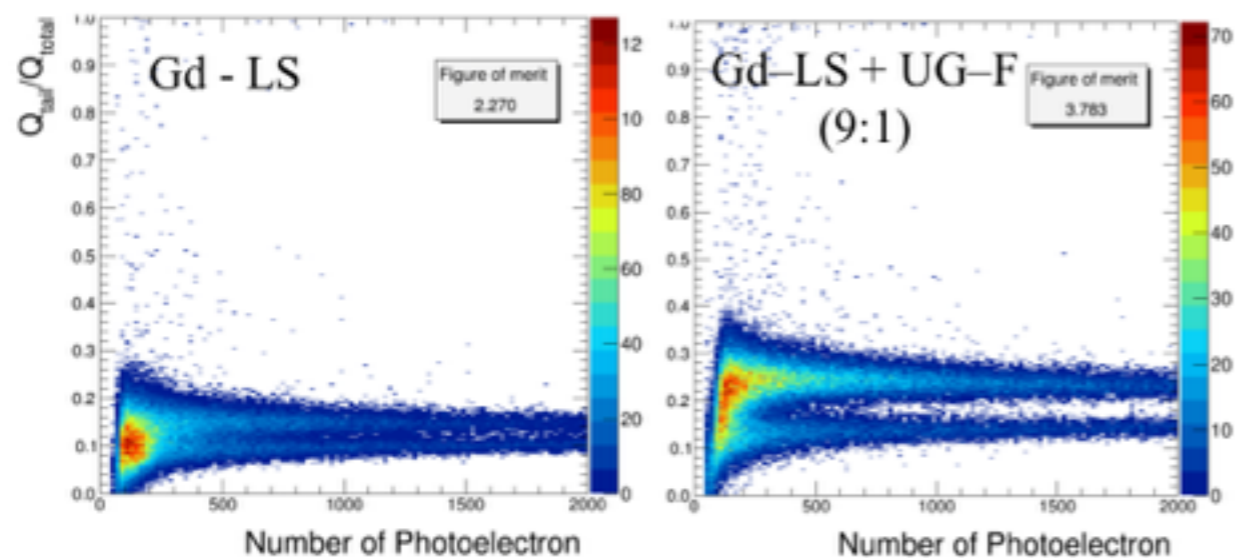
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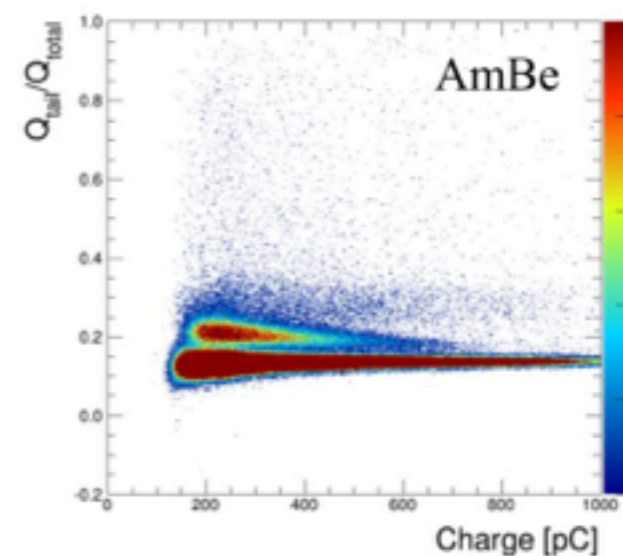


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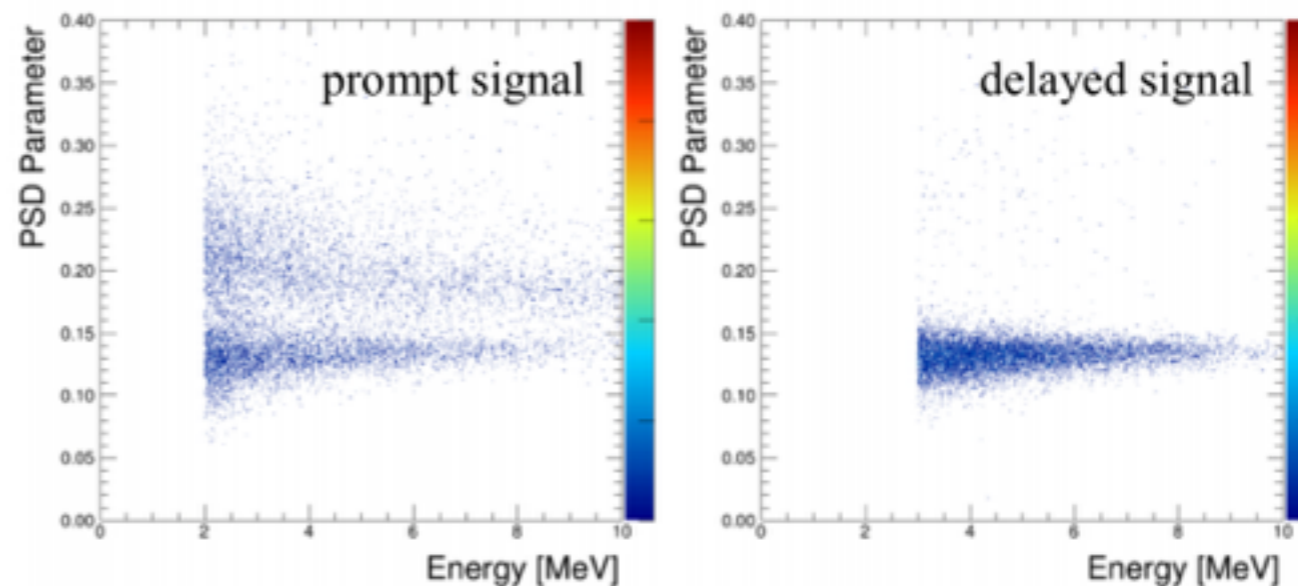
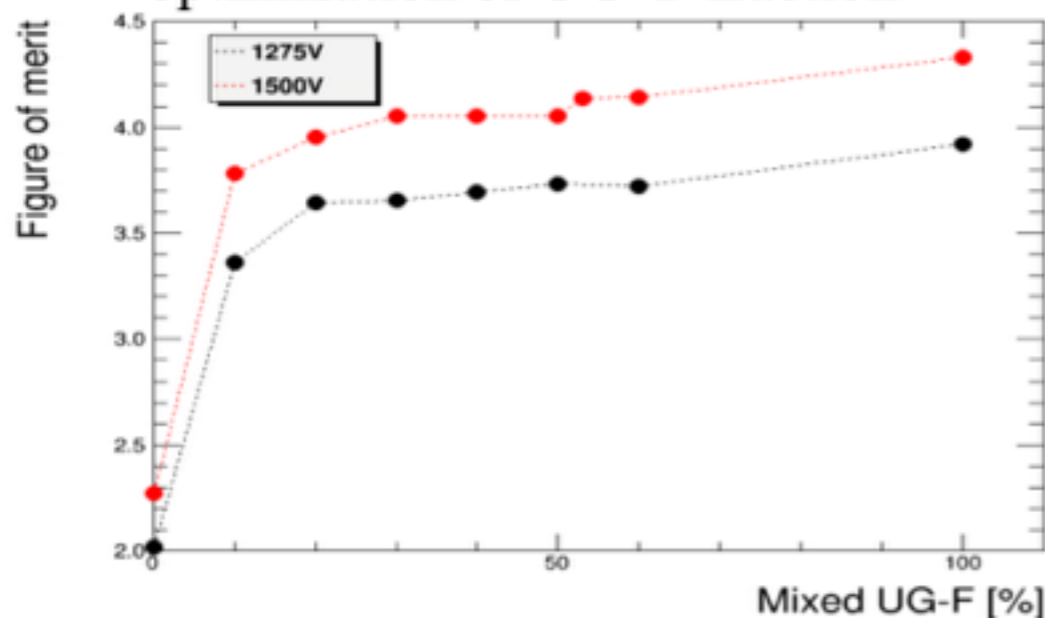
Gd - LS + UG - F in small cell



Gd - LS + UG - F in prototype

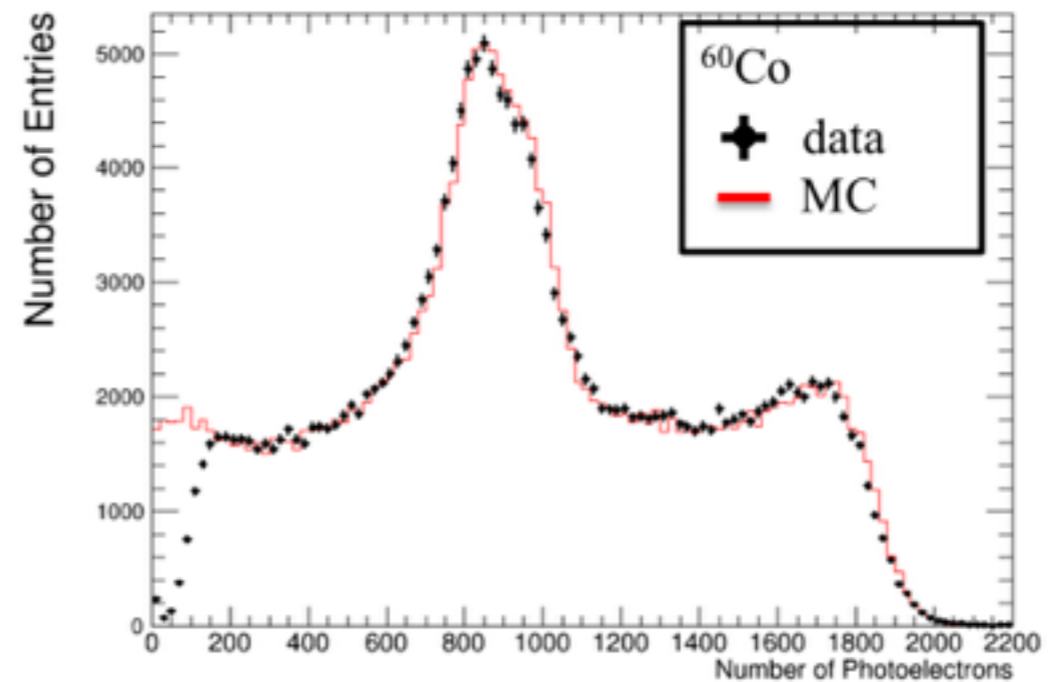
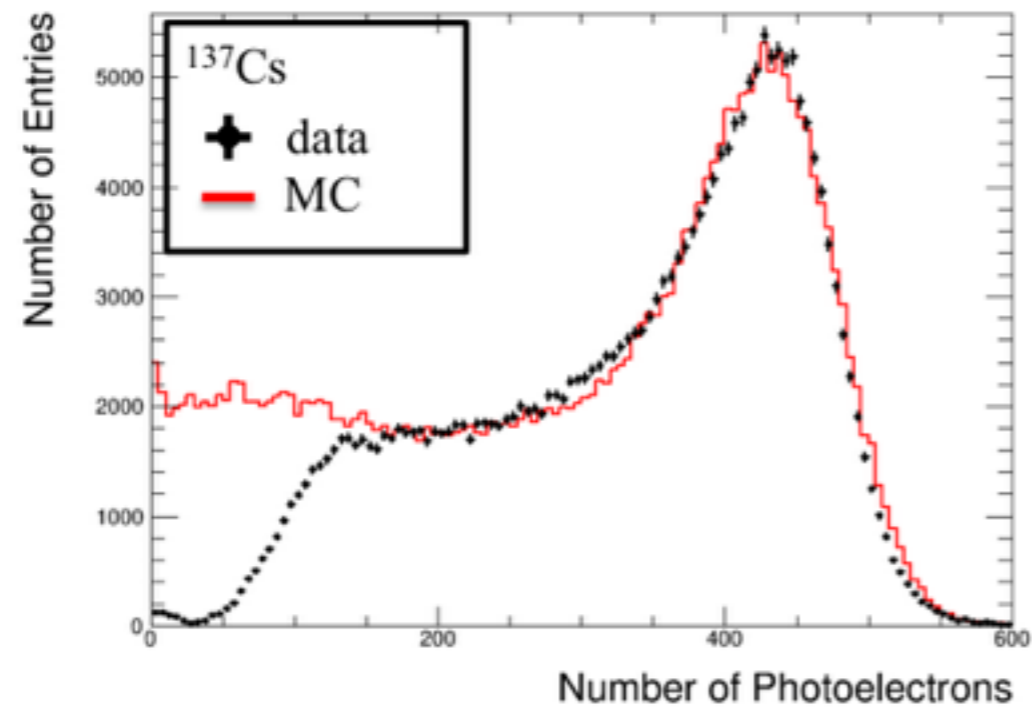
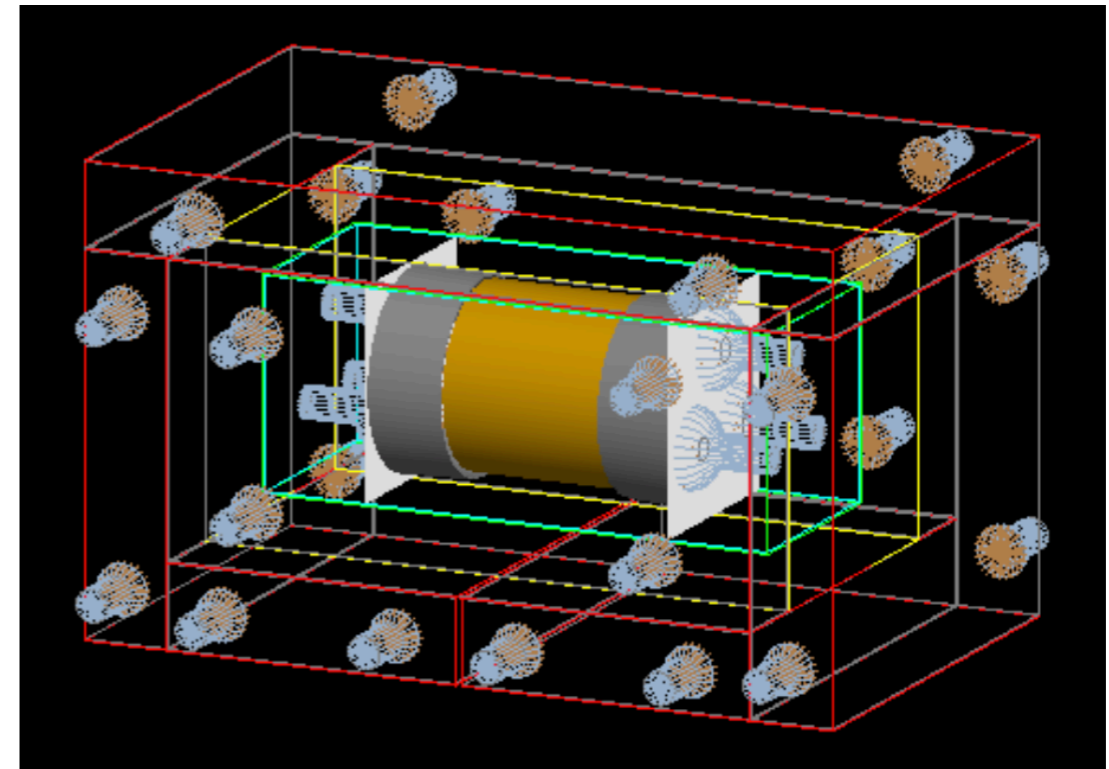


optimization of UG-F fraction



# Detector simulation

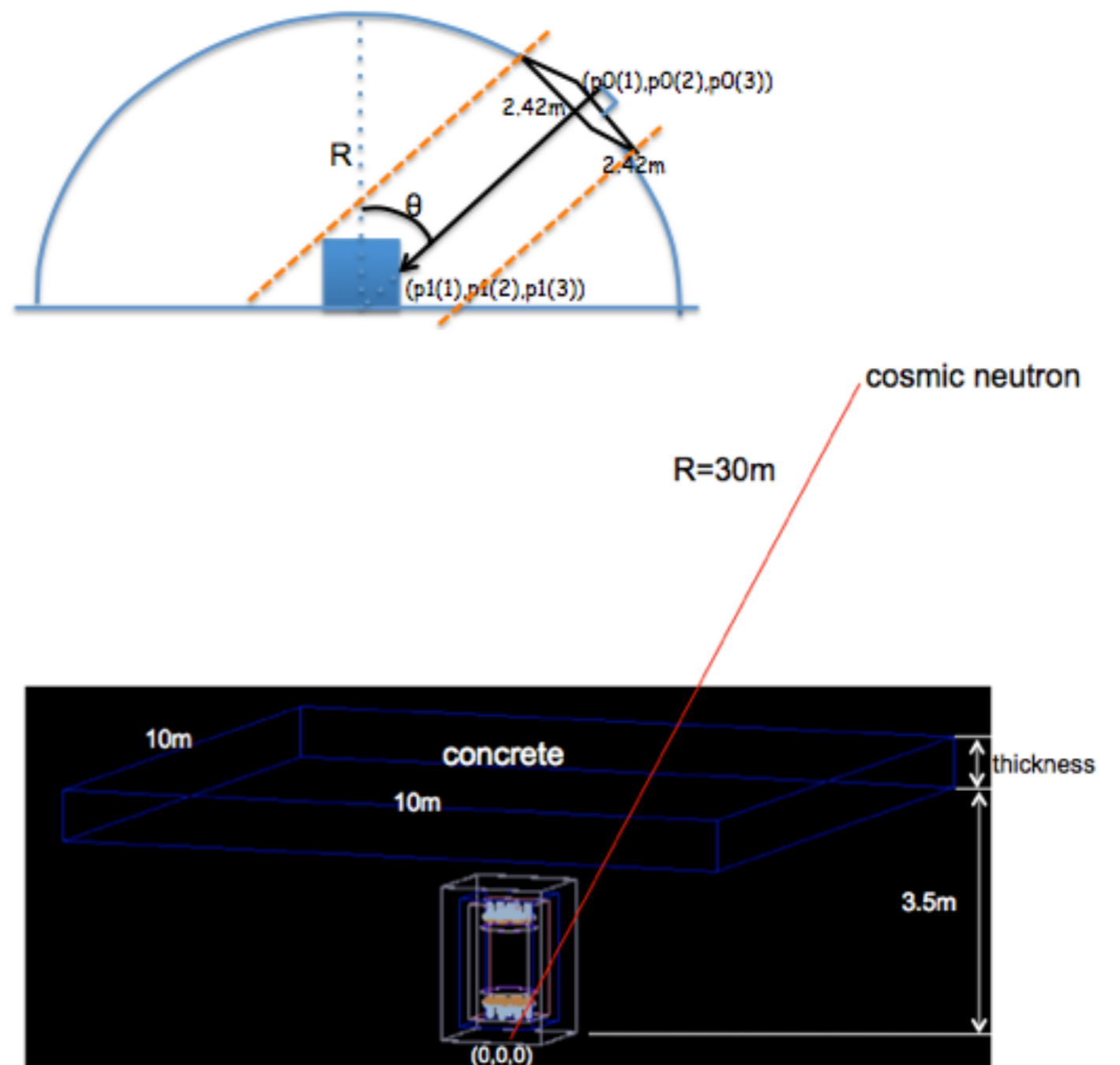
- Geant4.9.6.02 based simulation was performed
- Comparison of Data to tuned MC with gamma sources
  - Detector simulation is tuned by data
  - Simulation is in good agreement with data



# Background simulation

## - work in progress -

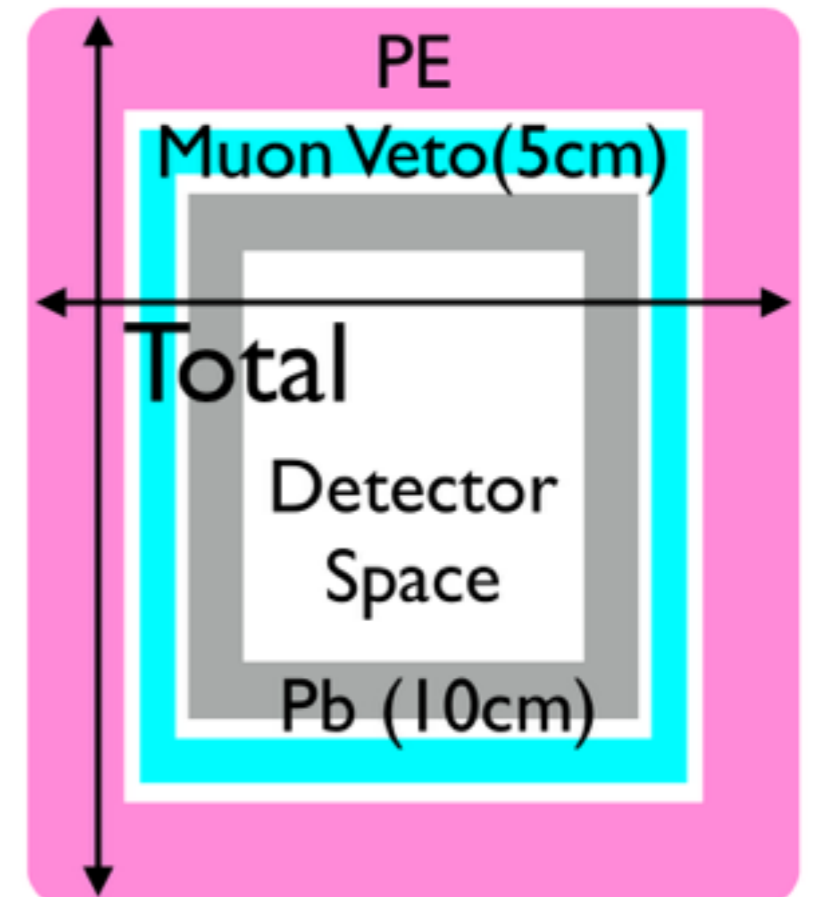
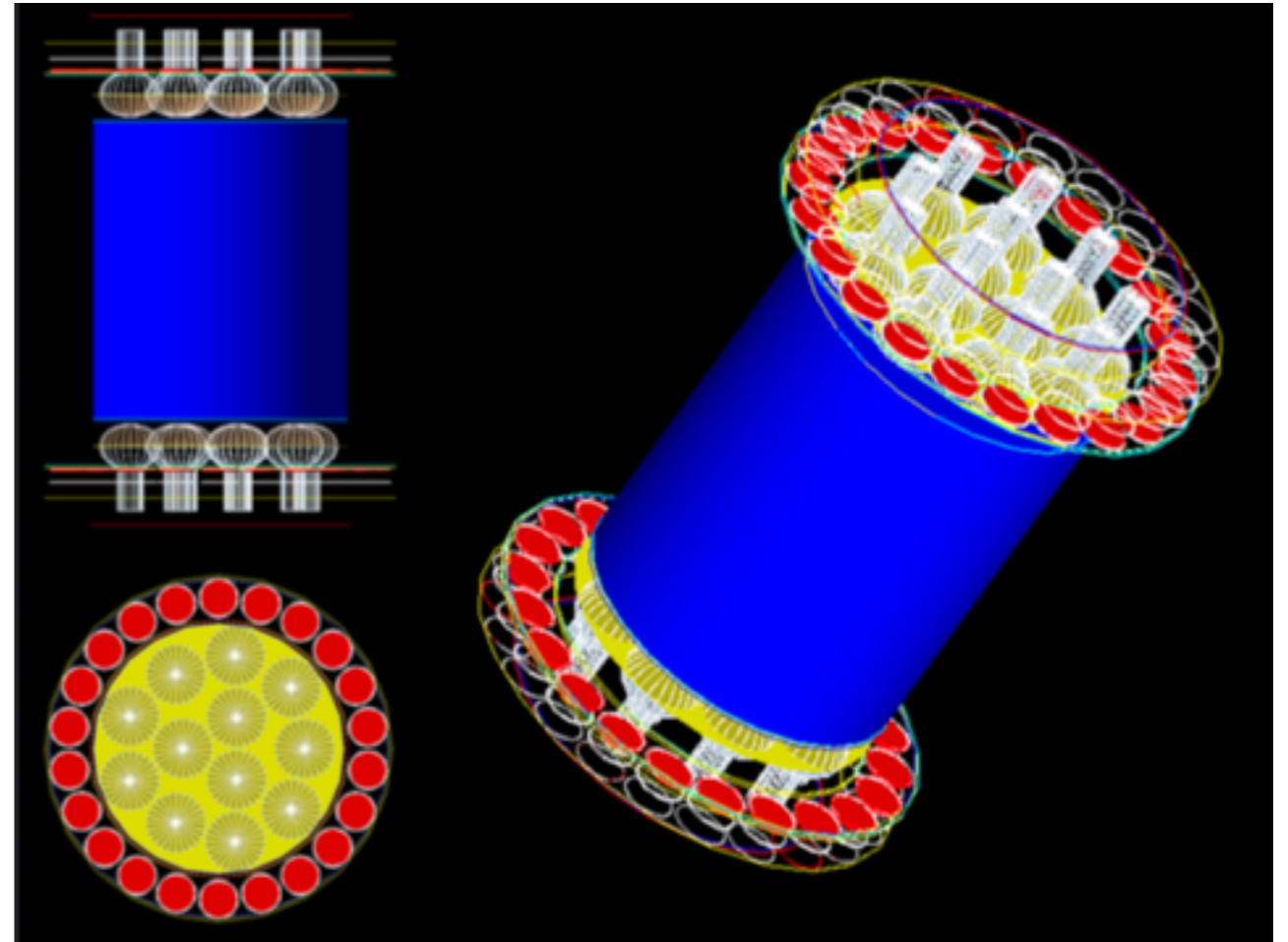
- We have been simulating the cosmic muons and neutrons separately according to the distributions expected at the sea level
- Cosmic muon and muon-induced neutron simulation: using modified Gaisser-parameterization
- Cosmic neutron simulation: using CRY(Cosmic-ray Shower Library) software developed at LLNL
- Hadronic models of muon and neutron are used in the simulation
- In simulation, we are considering thick concrete overburden in the area of 10m x 10m over the detector to compare with Data



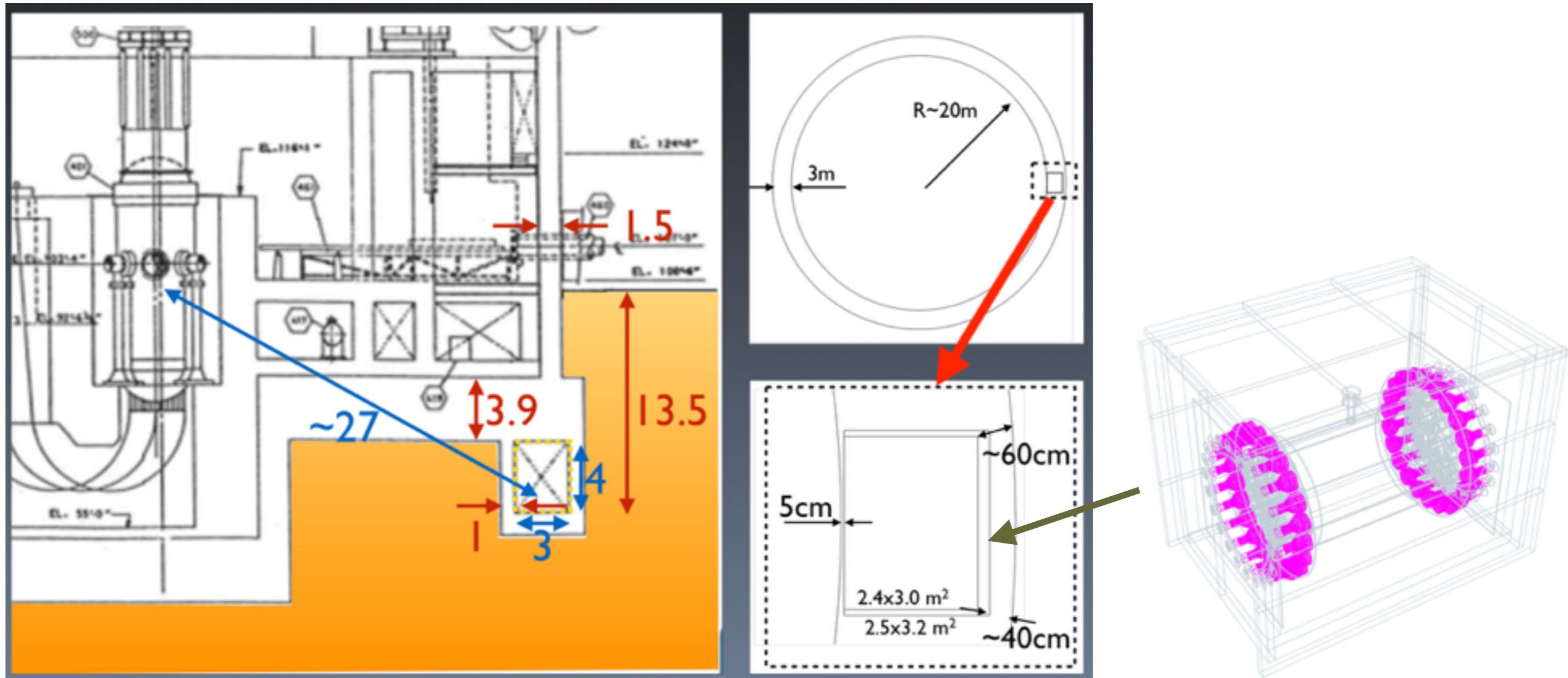


# Main detector

- Homogeneous target
  - ~500L of GdLS
  - $\phi 85\text{cm} \times H 100\text{cm}$  cylindrical tank
  - ~68 PMTs
- Passive shields
  - Lead shield to block external gammas
  - PE shield to block neutron
- Muon detector
  - Plastic scintillator with  $4\pi$  coverage
  - Veto cosmic muons
- We're optimizing main detector design with dimensions of  $2.5 \times 2.5 \times 3\text{m}^3$ , ~30ton



# Tendon gallery of HANBIT reactor and detector deployment



# Schedule and plan

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| Time              | Plan  |
|-------------------|---|
| ~ 2015.04         | completion of main detector construction          |
| 2015.04 ~ 2015.05 | test on main detector                             |
| 2015.06           | deployment of main detector in the tendon gallery |
| 2015.08 ~         | it will start taking data                         |

# Summary

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- Prototype detector constructed and measured backgrounds above ground
  - We measured background events for different overburden over the detector at two places
  - It is found that cosmic neutron backgrounds can be reduced  $\sim 10$  times when we have about 1.5 m.w.e overburden
  - We tested the capability of PSD with different target material filled in prototype detector and it showed good separation power of PSD in prompt signal, 55% rejected with  $\sim 1.5$  m.w.e overburden
- We will construct main detector with optimized design and will deploy it in the tendon gallery of HANBIT reactor
  - Background measurements with prototype detector show that overburden over the detector is crucial to the ratio of signal to background
  - Tendon gallery of HANBIT reactor is the best place to reduce cosmic neutron backgrounds

Backup

# Feasibility test with ~500L homogeneous detector

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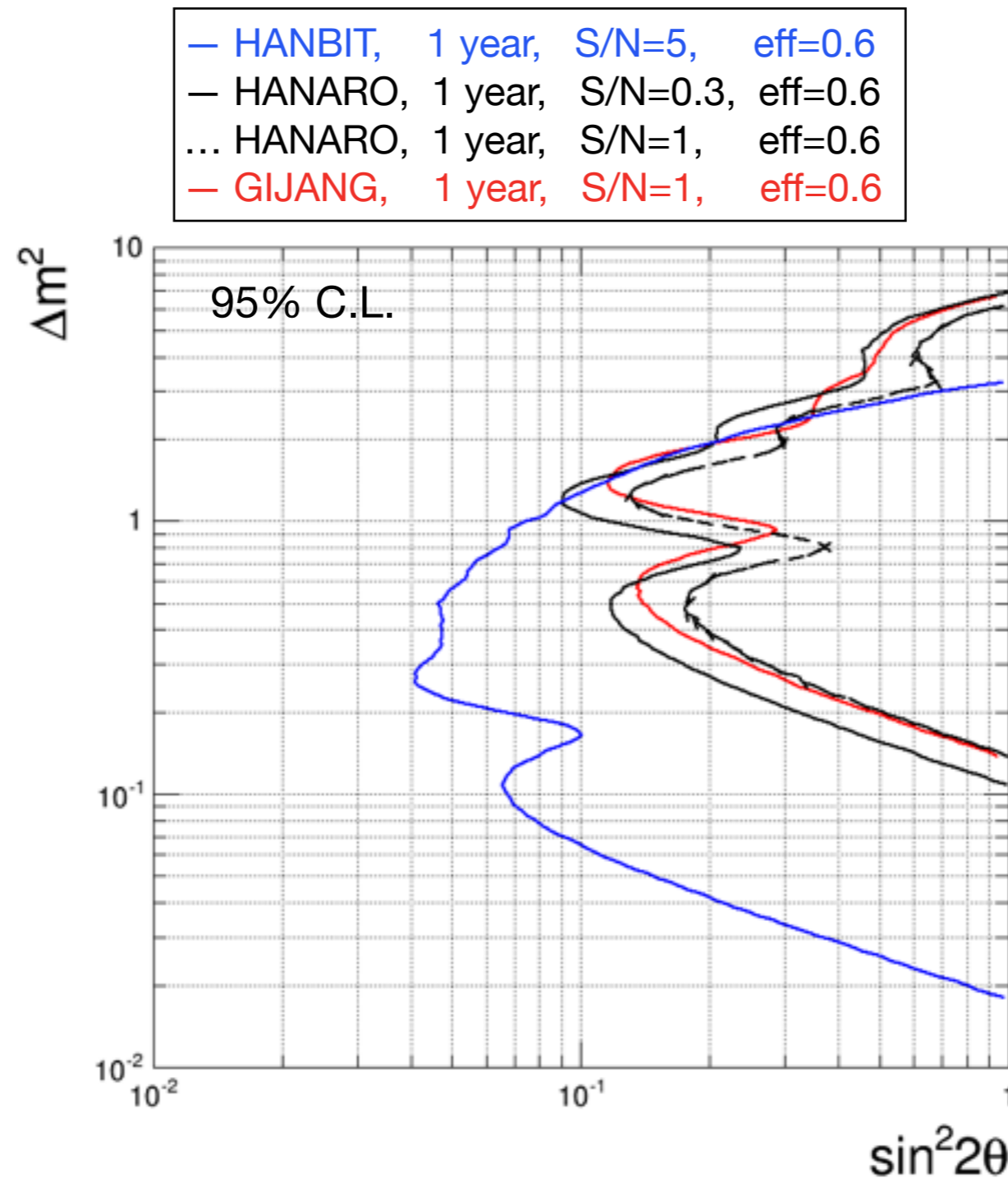
Using  $\chi^2$  as described in hep-ex/1307.2859 (K.M. Heeger *et al.*)

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i,j} \frac{[M_{ij} - (\alpha + \alpha_e^i + \alpha_r^j) T_{ij} - (1 + \alpha_b) B_{ij}]^2}{T_{ij} + B_{ij} + (\sigma_{b2b} B_{ij})^2} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sigma^2} + \sum_j \left( \frac{\alpha_r^j}{\sigma_r} \right)^2 + \sum_i \left( \frac{\alpha_e^i}{\sigma_e} \right)^2 + \frac{\alpha_b^2}{\sigma_b^2}$$

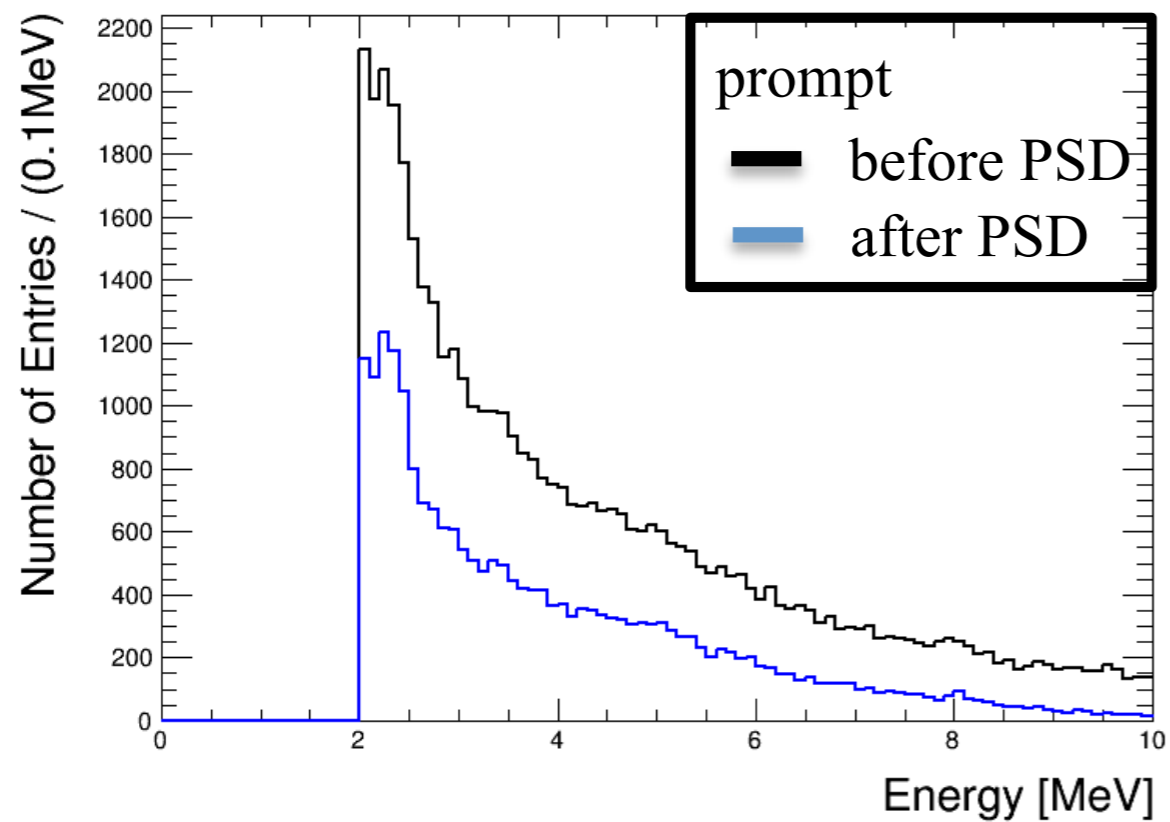
minimize  $\chi^2$  with respect to the nuisance parameters  $\{\alpha, \alpha_r^j, \alpha_e^i, \alpha_b\}$

- Detector response:
  - energy resolution: 10%/√E
  - position resolution: 15cm
  - detection efficiency: 60%
- Signal to background

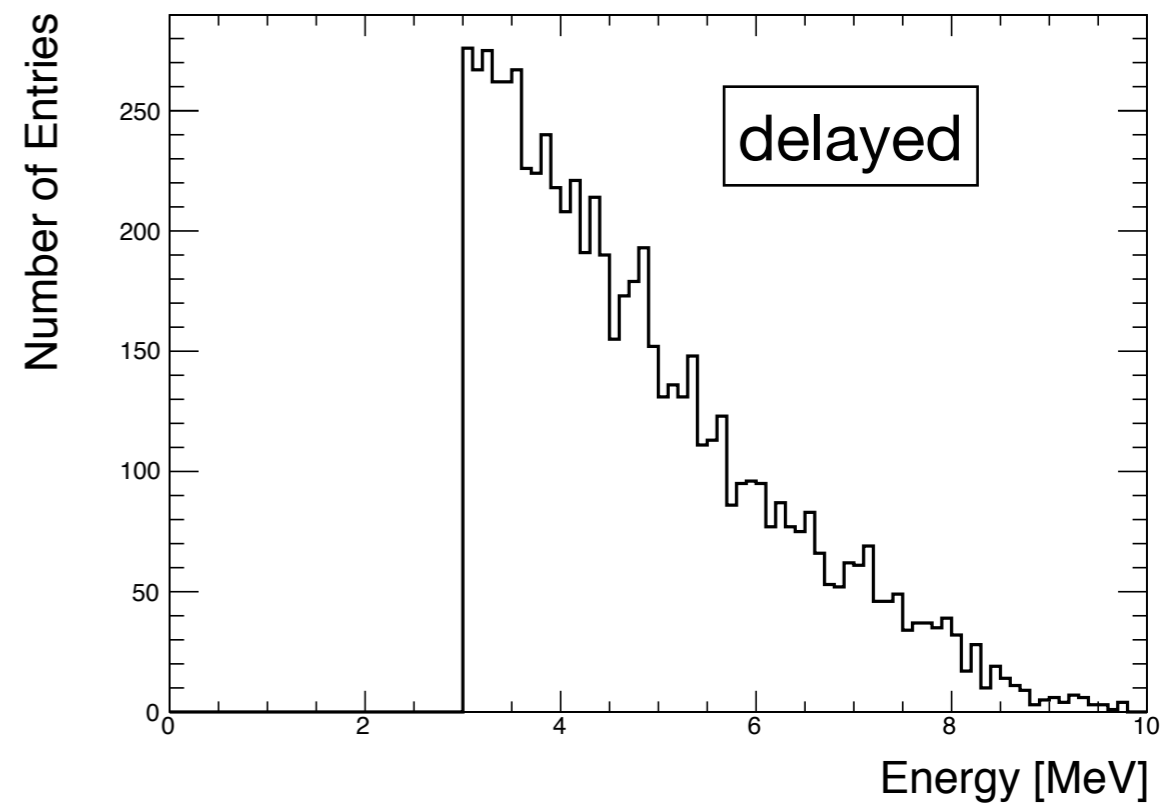
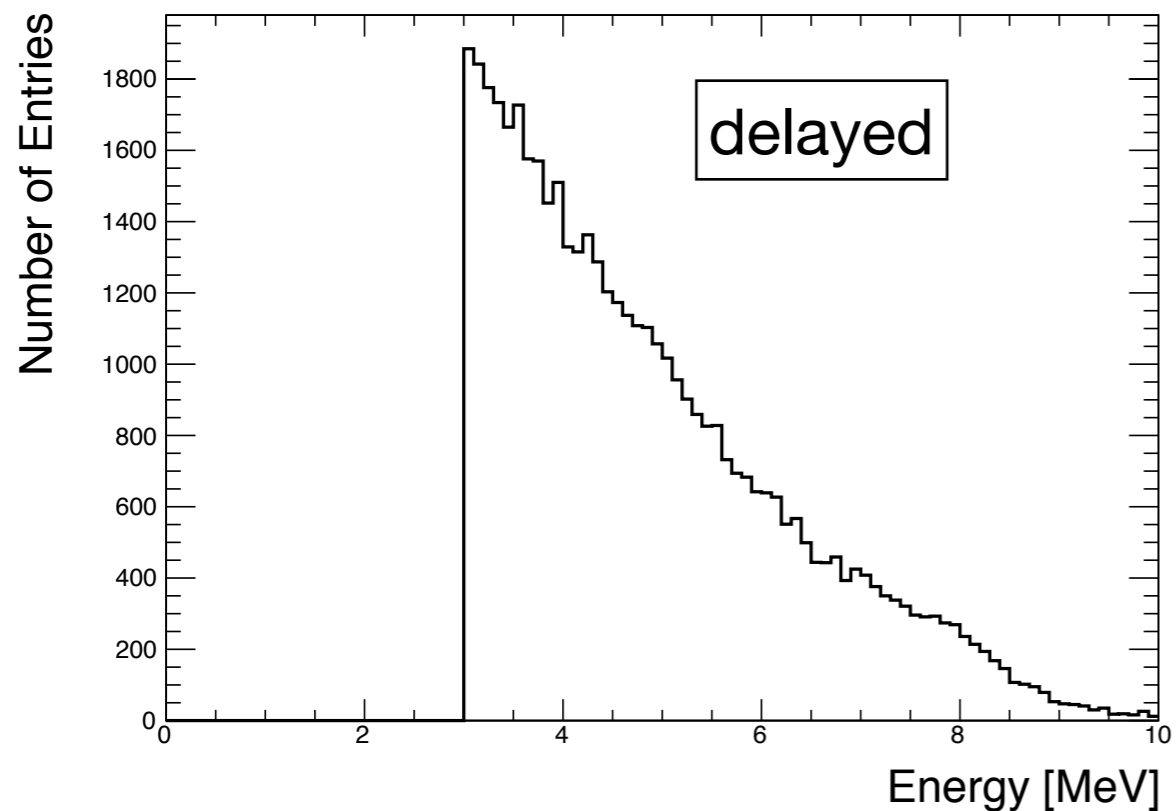
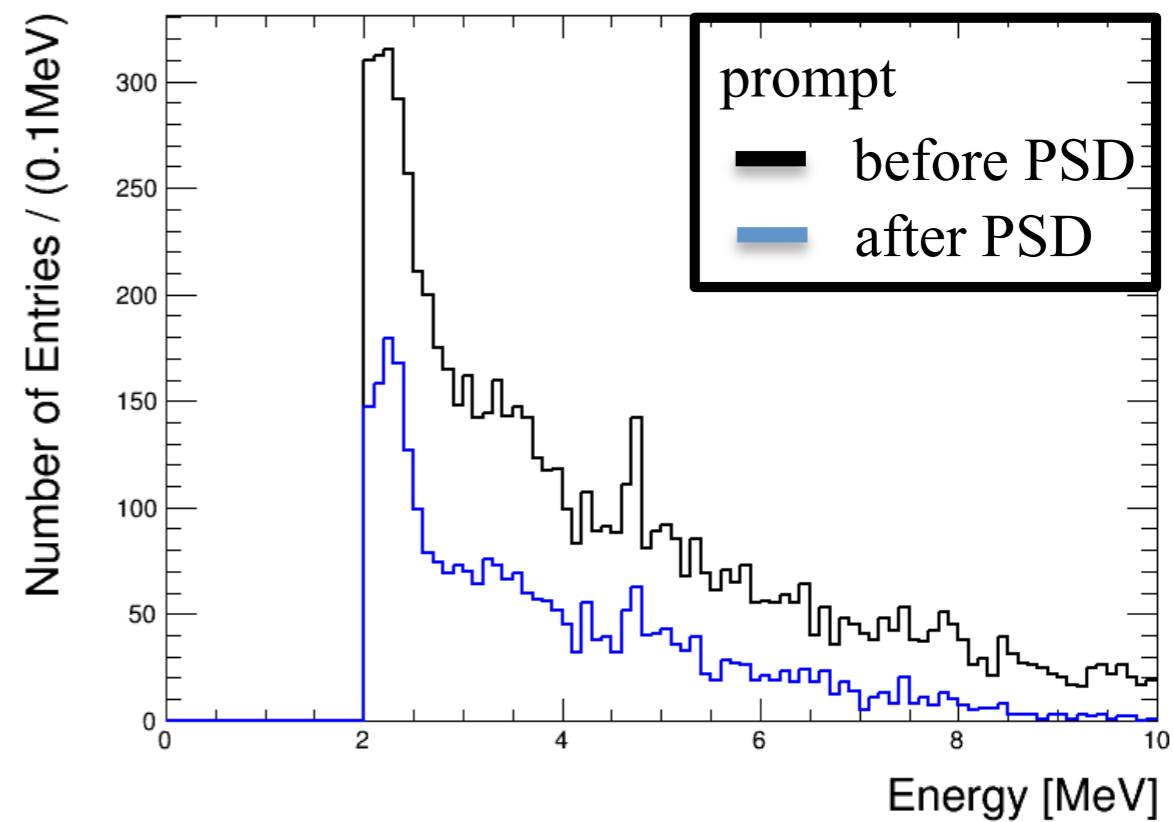
# Feasibility test with $\sim 500\text{L}$ homogeneous detector



- KT1 Lab.: little overburden



- Seeding Lab.: ~1.5 m.w.e overburden





# 계획예방정비

※ 기간을 Click 하시면 주요작업이 조회 됩니다.

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검색

| 구분 | 2015 |                         |                            |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   |           |                            |                            |    |    |   |                    |                            |
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|    | 10   | 11                      | 12                         | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4                          | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8         | 9                          | 10                         | 11 | 12 | 1 | 2                  | 3                          |
| 한빛 | 1호기  |                         |                            |   |   |   | 03/13~05/15<br>63.6<br>22차 |   |   |   |           |                            |                            |    |    |   |                    |                            |
|    | 2호기  | 06~11/19<br>74.4<br>21차 |                            |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   |           |                            |                            |    |    |   |                    |                            |
|    | 3호기  |                         | 10/17~01/22<br>96.7<br>15차 |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   | 검출기<br>설치 |                            | Reactor off<br>data        |    |    |   | Reactor on<br>data |                            |
|    | 4호기  |                         |                            |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   |           | 07/23~10/26<br>95.6<br>15차 |                            |    |    |   |                    |                            |
|    | 5호기  |                         |                            |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   |           |                            | 08/10~09/25<br>46.6<br>10차 |    |    |   |                    |                            |
|    | 6호기  |                         |                            |   |   |   |                            |   |   |   |           |                            |                            |    |    |   |                    | 12/03~01/01<br>29.6<br>10차 |

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