Birth of Neutrino Astrophysics

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For more details, see my review article;

- "Observational Neutrino Astrophysics"; Physics Report, 220
- (1992) Nos.5&6, pp.229-482.

The content of this talk will appear shortly in Reviews of Modern Physics.

Conception

There was a very important prenatal event.

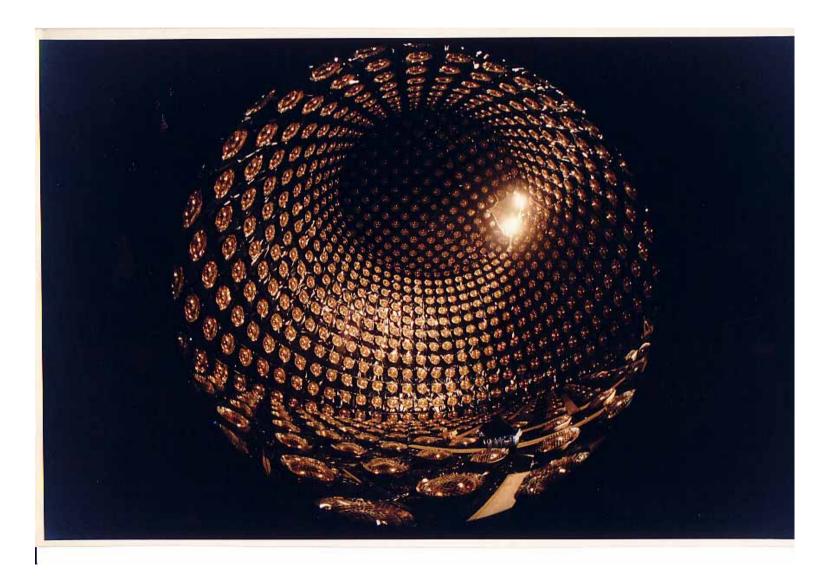
- That was the radiochemical work of R.Davis using the reaction v_e +Cl³⁷ to e⁻+Ar³⁷. The conclusion was that the solar neutrinos are only about 1/3 of what you expect from the Standard Solar Model of J.Bahcall.
- This could be considered as the conception of the Neutrino Astrophysics and was the impetus for us to begin seriously working on the solar neutrinos

The experiments

- 1) KamiokaNDE; Imaging Water Cerenkov,
 20% PMT coverage,
 3,000tons,
 ca.3MUS\$.
 Feasibility experiment.
- 2) Super-KamiokaNDE; the same as above,
 40% PMT coverage, 50,000tons,
 ca.100MUS\$.
 - Full scale solar neutrino observatory.
- (Both 1,000m underground in Kamioka Mine)
- (NDE for Nucleon Decay Experiment/

Neutrino Detection Experiment))

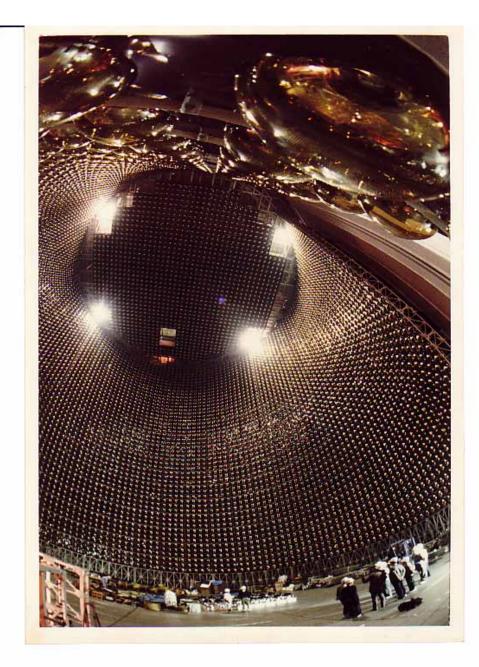
Fish-eye View of KamiokaNDE's Interior



which made the two detectors precision devices



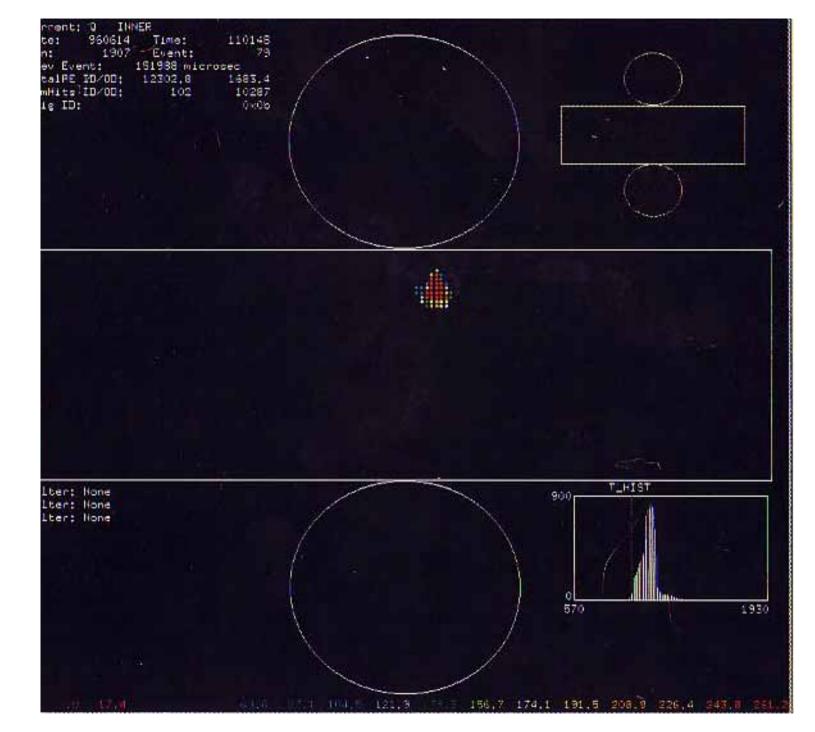
Fish-Eye View of Super-KamiokaNDE's Interior

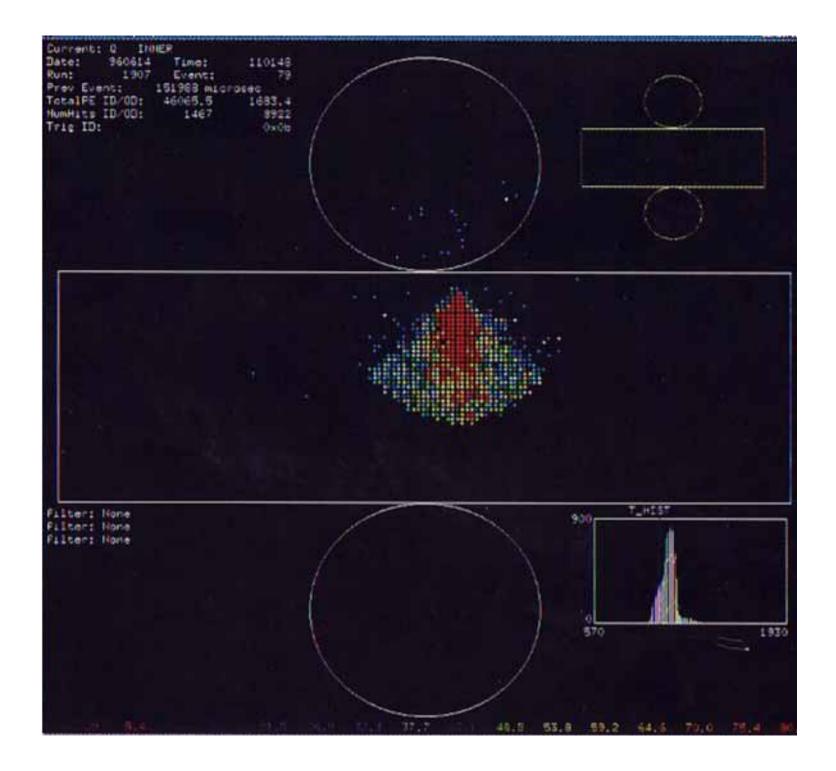


Detector Performances

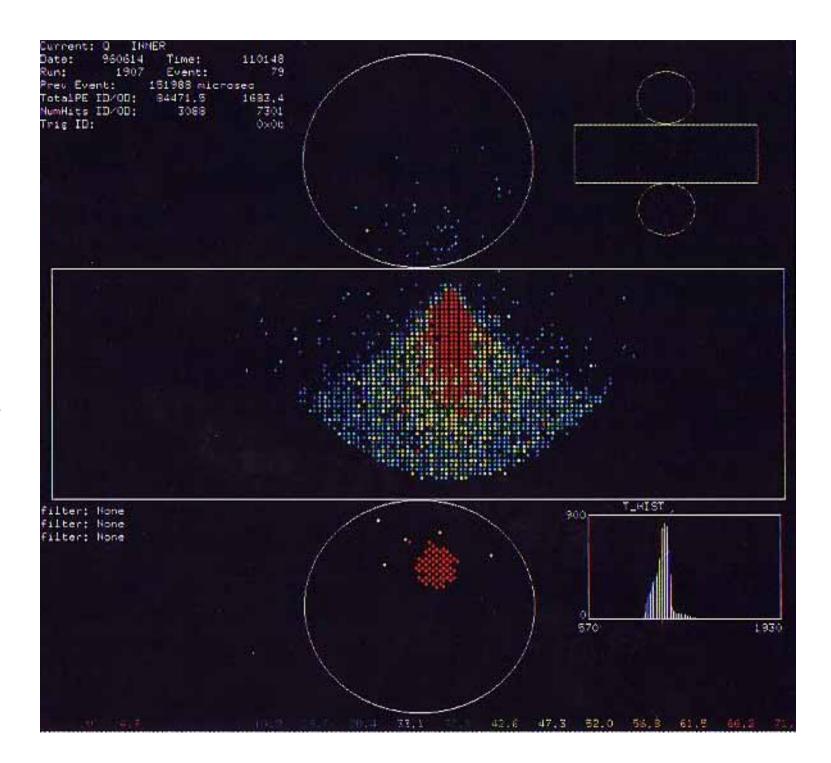
- Through µ in S-KamiokaNDE
 Shots at 50 nanosecond intervals
- 2) Discrimination between electron and muon

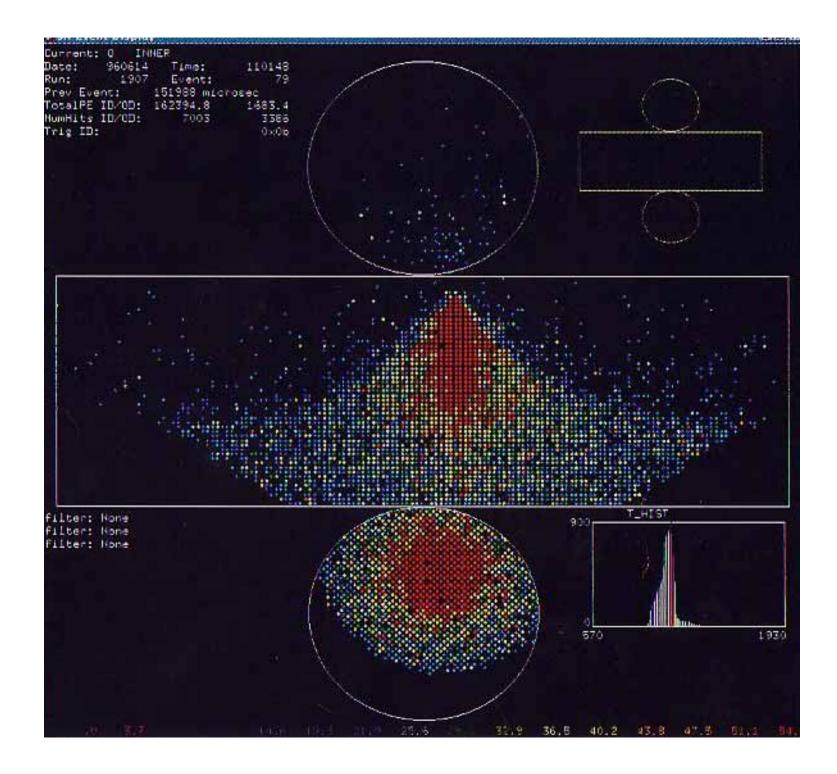
The μ has just entered the detector.

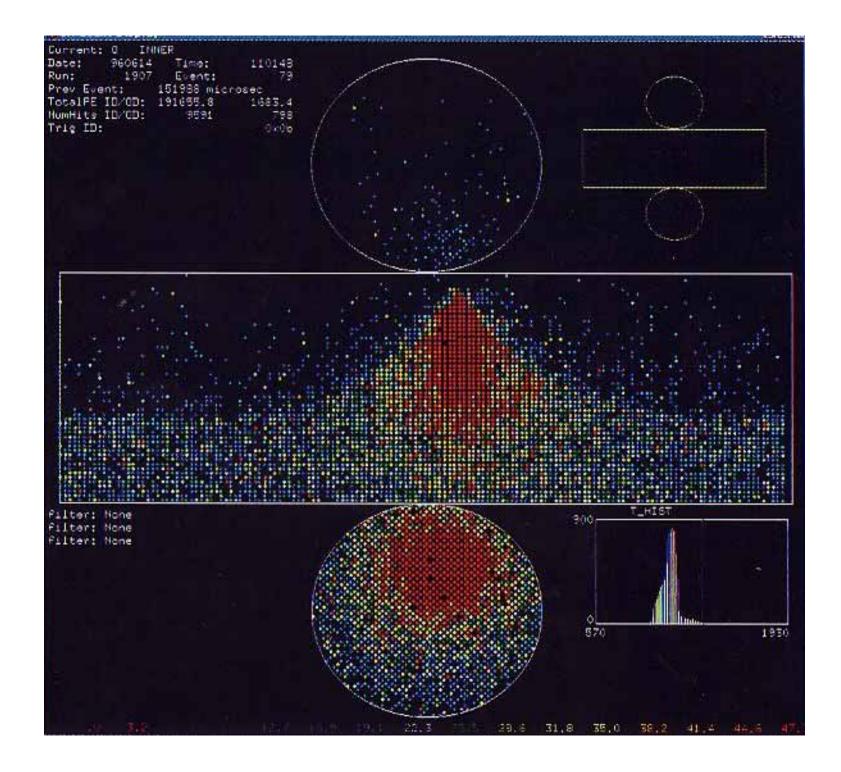




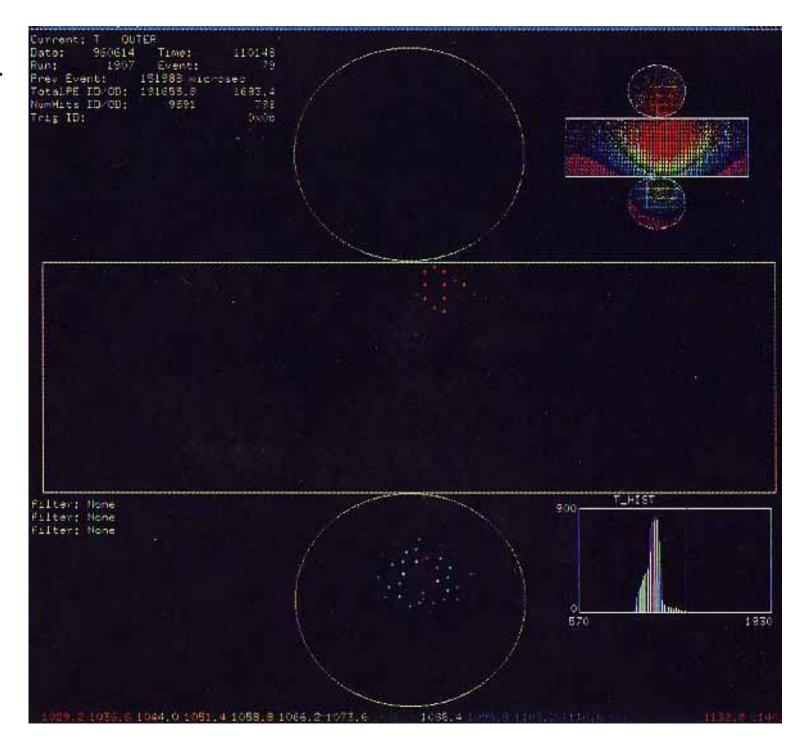
The µ has reached to the bottom of the detector, while the Cerenkov light in water is still on its way.





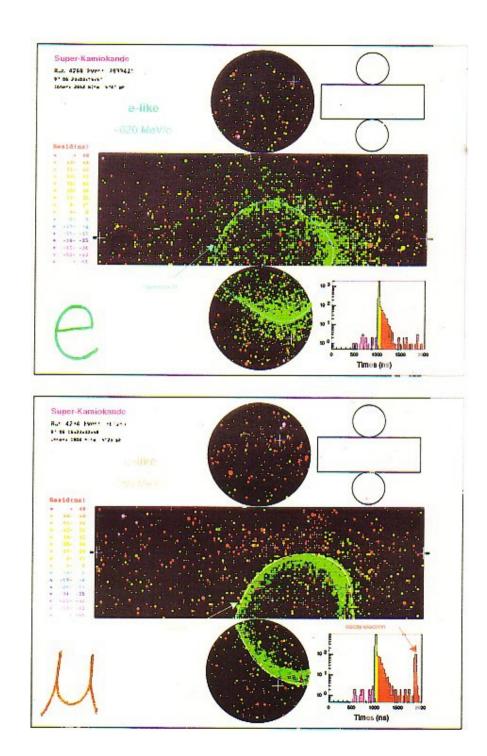


The data of the outer anticounter are shown, while the inner data are moved to the top right.



The top e-event has a blurred radial distribution of Cerenkov photons, while the bottom μ -event has a crisp ring image. The discrimination between e and μ is accomplished with an error probability of less than 1%.

The μ -event has the decay electron later.

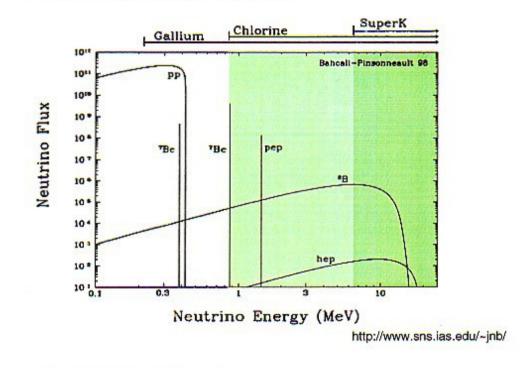


4 Accomplishments of KamiokaNDE

- 1) The astrophysical, i.e., with D,T and E, observation of solar neutrinos by means of v_e -e scattering.
- 2) The observation of the neutrino burst from Supernova 1987A by means of anti- v_e on p producing e⁺ plus neutron.
- 3) The discovery at more than 4σ of the anomaly in the atmospheric v_{μ}/v_{e} ratio. Neutrino oscillation. Non-zero masses of v's.
- 4) Killed SU(5) by proton decay lifetime and SUSYSU(5) also by non-zero masses of v's.

Solar Neutrinos

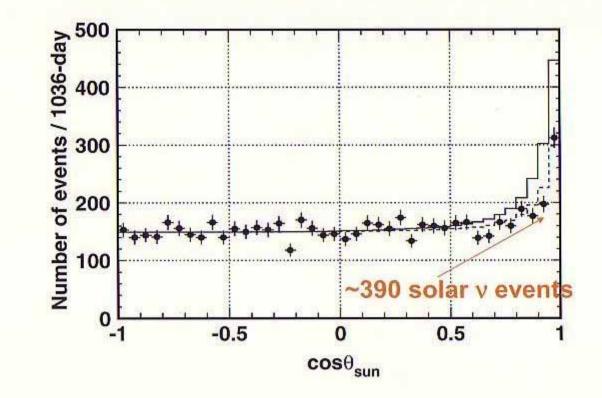
Standard Solar Model (SSM)



Solar Neutrino Experiments

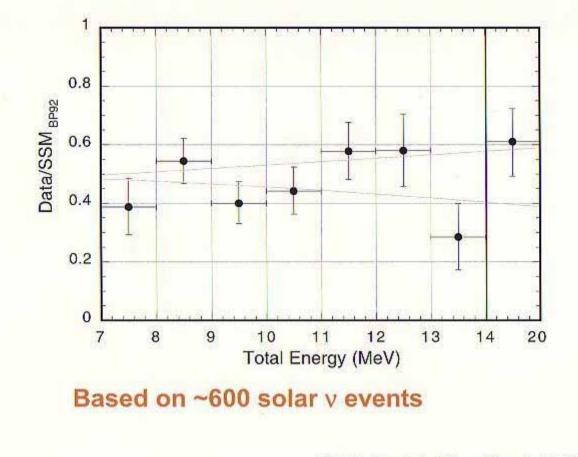
	Target	Data / SSM (BP98)
 Homestake 	³⁷ Cl	0.33 ± 0.03
 Kamiokande 	e ⁻ (water)	0.54 ± 0.07
· SAGE	⁷¹ Ga	0.52 ± 0.06
· GALLEX	⁷¹ Ga	0.59 ± 0.06
• SK	e (water)	0.475 ± 0.015

Solar neutrinos (Kamiokande-III) Dec. 28, 1990 – Feb. 6, 1995 (1036 days)



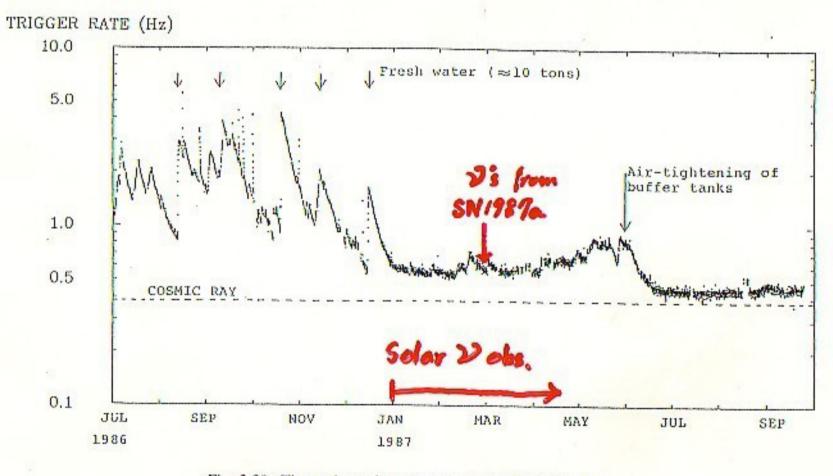
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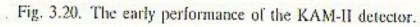
Energy spectrum of solar neutrino events Kamiokande II and III (2079 days)



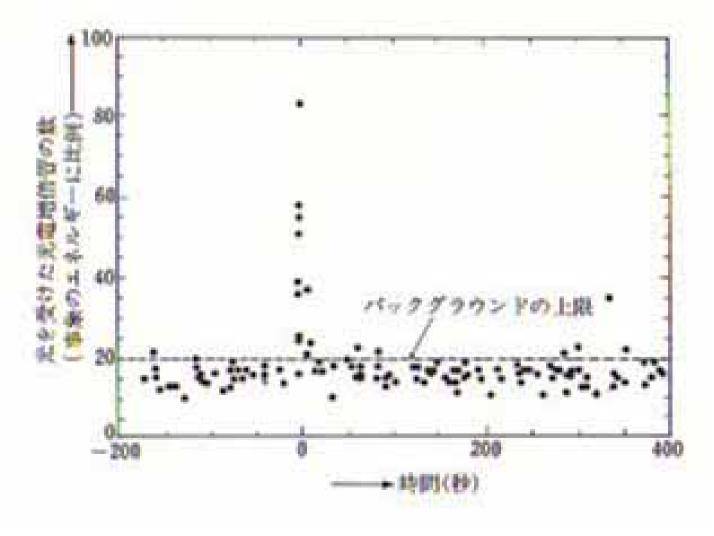
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The detector performance at the beginning of 1987.



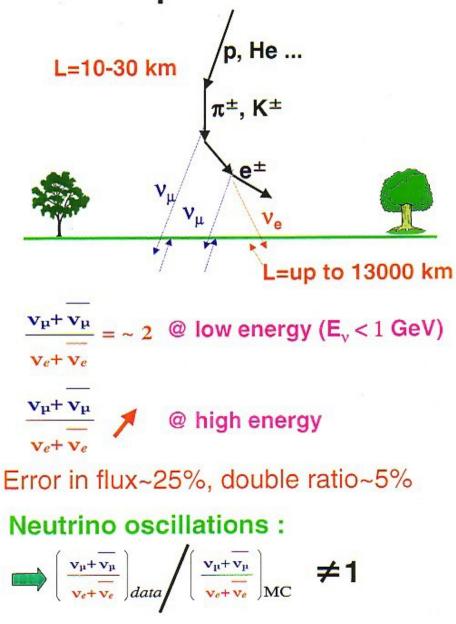


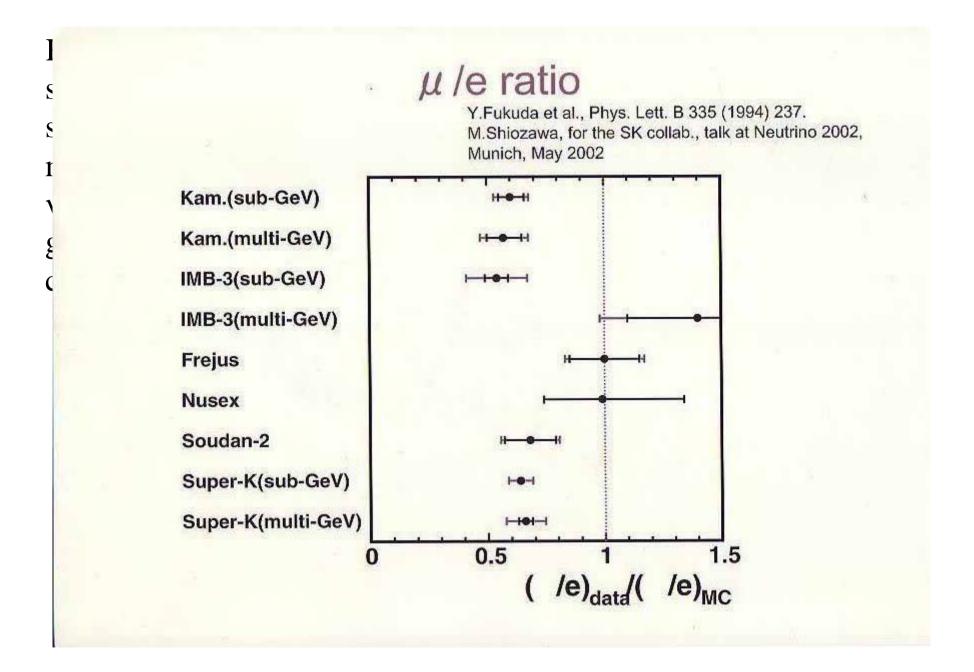
The observed signal of the supernova neutrino burst. It was immediately confirmed by IMB experiment in USA. The combined results, T_v of 4.5MeV and the total v energy output of $3x10^{53}$ erg gave strong support to the theoretical model.



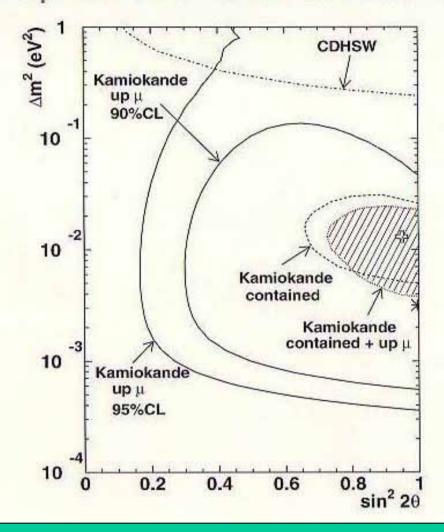
$$v_{\mu}/v_{e}$$
 has to be 2 or larger

Atmospheric neutrinos



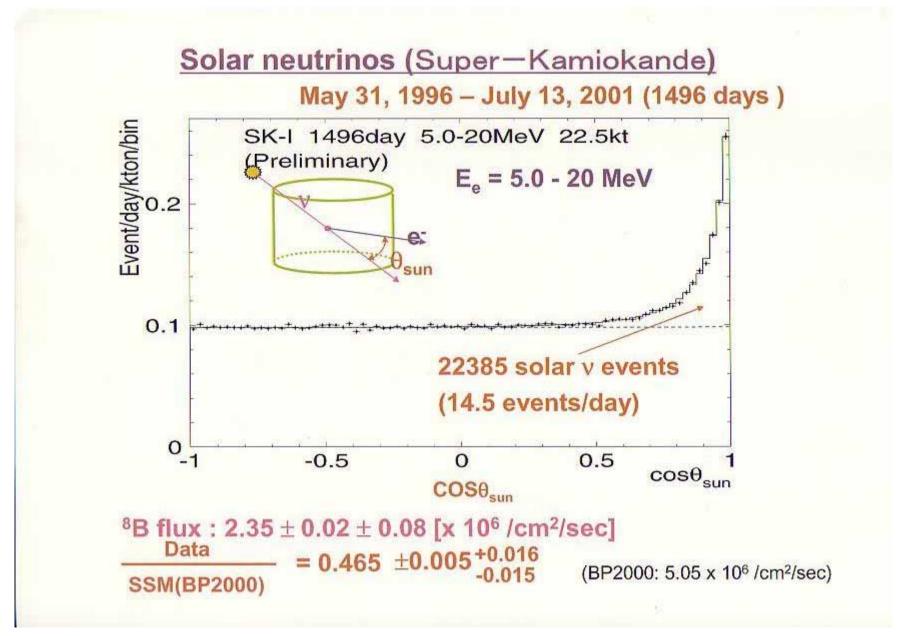


atmospheric neutrino mesasurement



Observational Neutrino Astrophysics; M. Koshiba, Phys. Report, **220** Nos.5&6 (1992) 229-482. Super-KamiokaNDE Accomplished Three things so far.

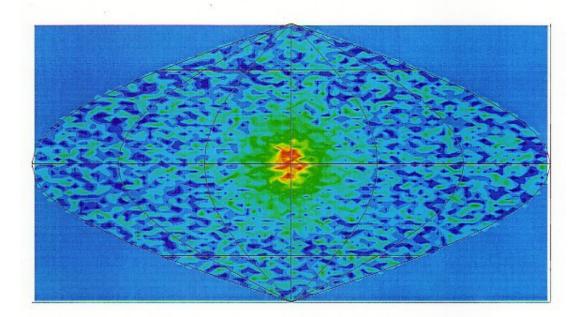
- 1) Established the solar neutrino observation with much better statistics.
- 2) Firmly established, at more than 9σ , the non-zero masses of v's and their oscillations.
- 3) Non-observation of nucleon decays is giving more stringent restriction on the possible type of future grand unified theory.

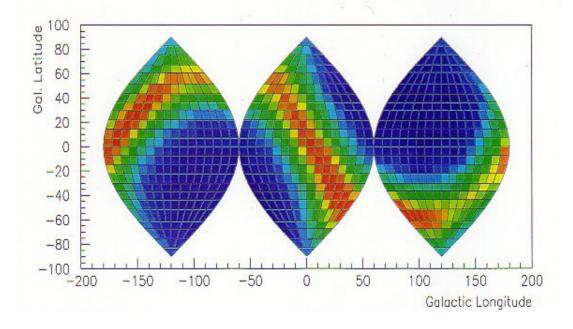


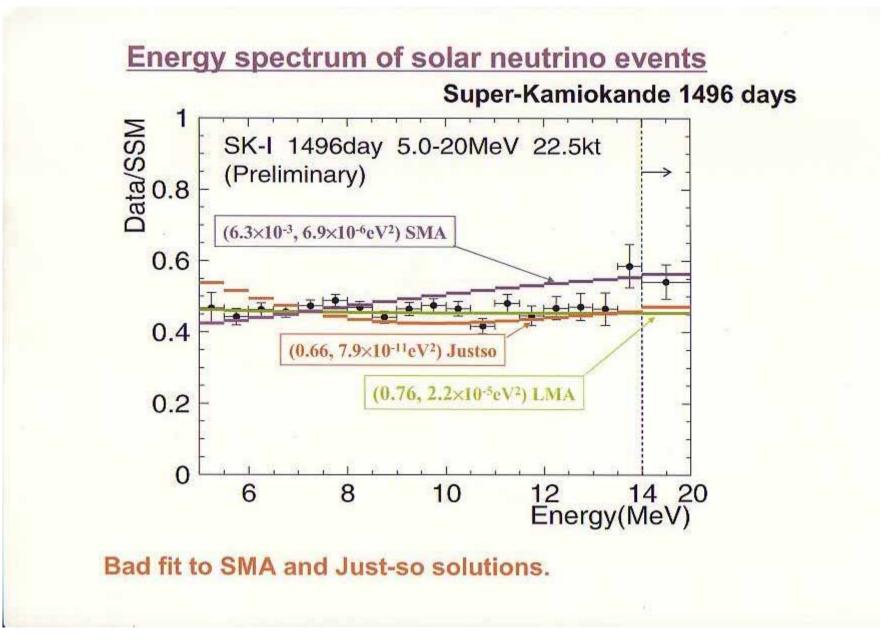
The Sun as seen by v's and its orbit in the Galactic coordinate.

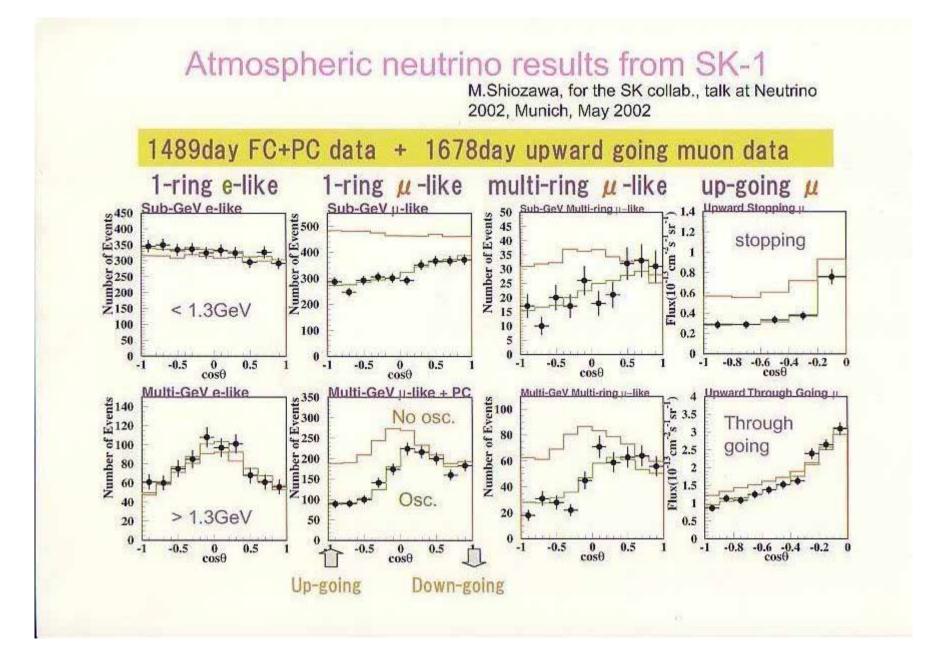
You have to excuse the poor angular resolution because the neutrino astrophysics is still in its infantile stage.

The Sun by Neutrinograph



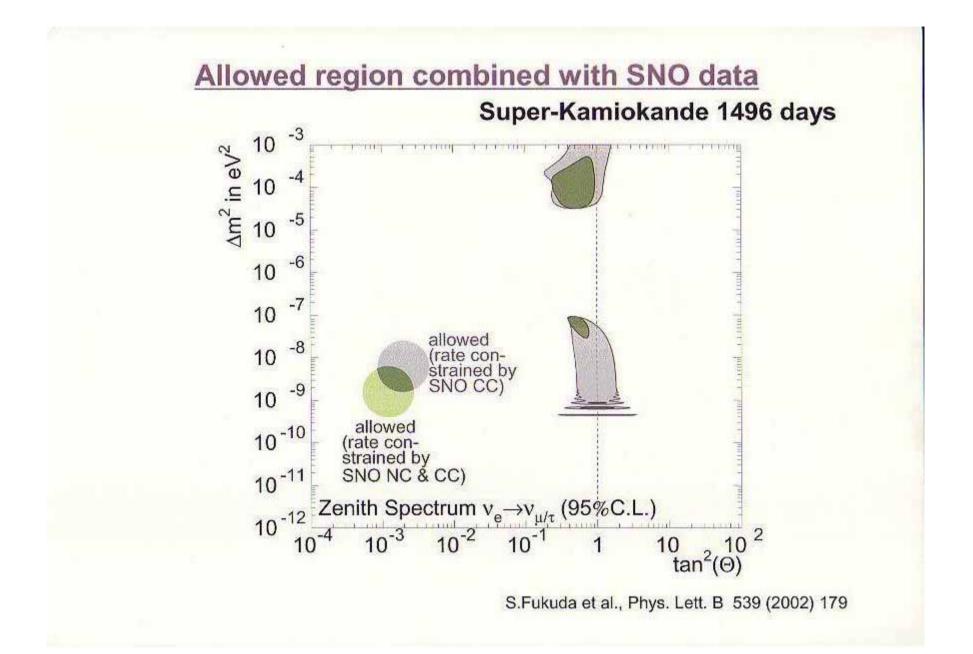


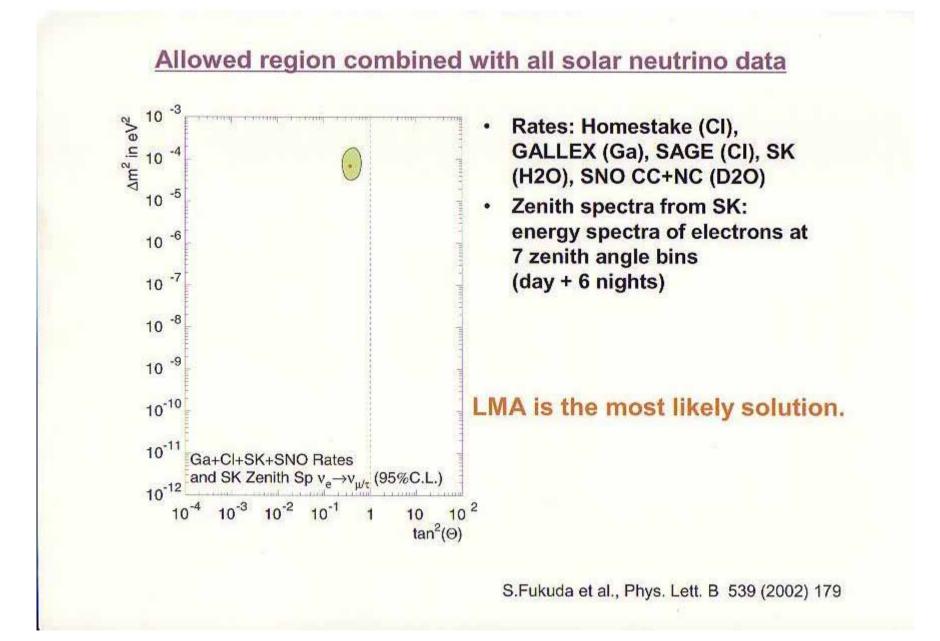




The Neutrino Oscillation

Consider 2 neutrino case for simplicity. The weak eigenstate ψ_{μ} is a superposition of ψ_{m1} and ψ_{m2} with a parameter θ , the angle between ψ_{μ} and ψ_{m1} . Since $E \sim p + (m^2/p)$ The two states, ψ_{m1} and ψ_{m2} , make beat with the frequency proportional to $\Delta m^2 = m_1^2 - m_2^2$, thereby changing the relative intensity. This causes a partial transformation of ψ_{μ} to ψ_{τ} .





Implications of Non-zero Neutrino Masses

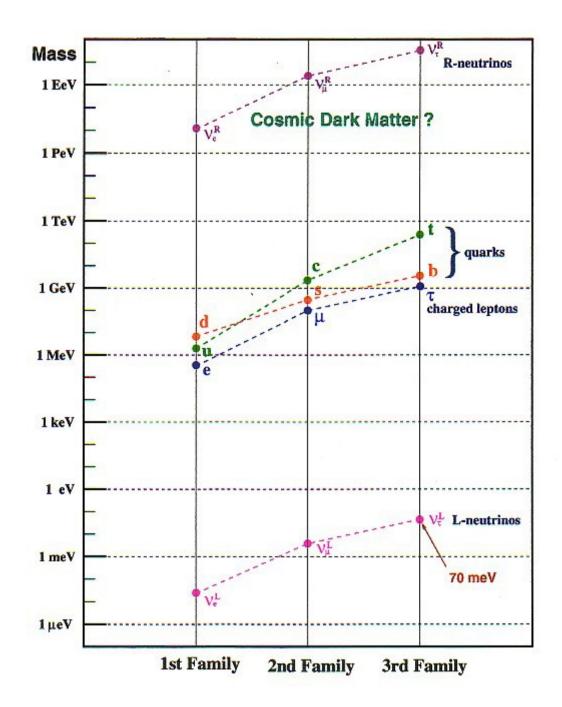
 The right handed neutrinos have to exist.
 Standard Theory has to be modified and SU(5)

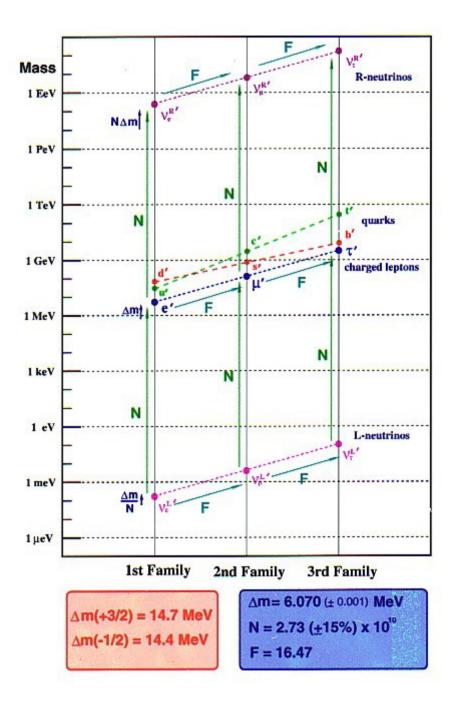
- is discarded as possible GUT.
- 2) Very low energy neutrinos will make the total reflection at very low temperature. Very nice for the future possibility of observing the 1.9K Cosmic Neutrino Background.

For Fun

From the Δm^2 's obtained, we can get a possible mass spectra of elementary particles using the See-Saw mechanism. And if we consider a small electromagnetic mass shift occurred in one of the phase changes in the very early Universe, we get the nice regularity as seen in the last slide.

Anyone of you challenge to explain this regularity?





Thank you for your patience.

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