KamLAND-Zen Analysis

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KamLAND-Zen

Neutrinoless double beta decay($0\nu\beta\beta$)

A mode of double beta decay, which can happen only when neutrinos are Majorana particles ($\nu = \bar{\nu}$).

- Lepton # violation(beyond SM)
- related to baryon asymmetry of the Universe
- information about neutrino's mass (mass scale, hierarchy...)

Requirement for $0\nu\beta\beta$ search

- \cdot Very low background environment
- · Large amount of double beta decay nucleus
 - (· High energy resolution)

KamLAND-Zen

• $0\nu\beta\beta$ search w/ KamLAND(low BG liquid scintillator detector)

Very low background environment

²³⁸U : 5.0×10⁻¹⁸ g/g, ²³²Th : 1.3×10⁻¹⁷ g/g

 \cdot Large amount of double beta decay nucleus

Scalability ... can accommodate 1000 kg Xe

Set the very strict limit to the half-life of ¹³⁶Xe $0\nu\beta\beta$ in KamLAND-Zen400.

Data taking of KamLAND-Zen800 with ~745kg enriched Xenon is on going.





Current Status

We have 2 main strategies in KamLAND-Zen analysis.

- Improvement of previous phase (Zen400).
- New result with Zen800 data.



- · β/γ -particle identification by neural network
- \cdot spallation cut by correlation with muon
 - Higher sensitivity!

<u>Zen800</u>

 \cdot much lower background environment



Status

Zen400

- \cdot It is confirmed that the new BG reduction methods work well and improve the sensitivity.
- I am going to finalize the study.

Zen800

- Analysis with very low background data shows that pricise study for new kinds of background is important.
 - \rightarrow I am going to study it.

Time Line

Zen400 study

Finish the analysis of Zen400.

● 海外研修

- Not decided yet.
- Study on BG reduction for KL-Zen(?)
- I am going to contact my collaborators.

Zen800 analysis

- Precise BG studies
- Some new ideas
- \cdot Search in the inverted hierarchy region.

Ph.D thesis

- Write Ph.D thesis with Zen800 study.
- (\cdot 0vbb discovery?)



海外研修等について

<u>海外研修</u>

- So far : APS/JPS joint meeting and DBD(international workshop)
- A meeting with collaborators and a plan to join ABRACADABRA (axion search experiment) are canceled because of COVID.
- Would like to find supervisor for KamLAND-Zen study.

We have collaborators in MIT who also engage KamLAND-Zen.

I am going to contact them and get advises about BG study for Zen800 via phone systems.

<u>Others</u>

- ・Point:GSP+GASP=17pts,GEP=7pts(+6pts予定)
- ・International Conference: TAUP2019、新学術、 Neutrino2020