

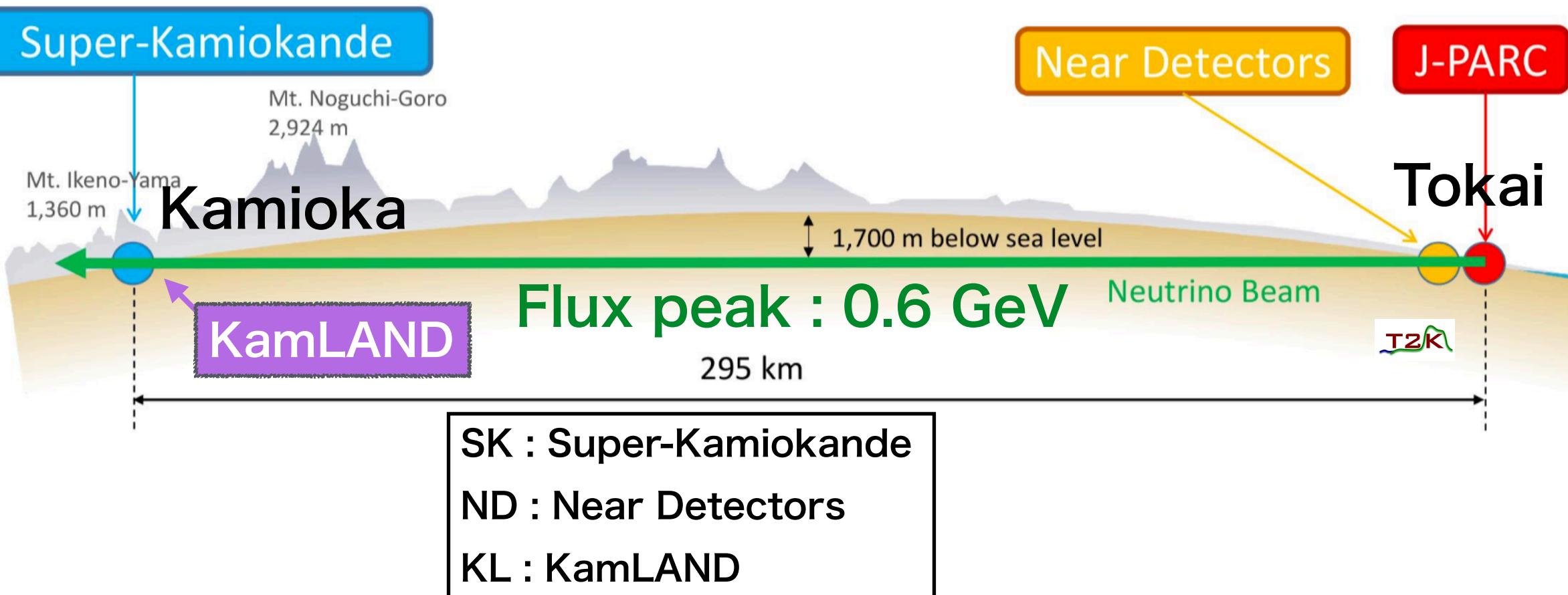
Progress status report : Study on neutrino interaction using T2K beam at KamLAND



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T2K and KamLAND



$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{Flavor} \\ (\text{interaction}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_e\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle \\ |\nu_\tau\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{i\delta_{cp}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{cp}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_1\rangle \\ |\nu_2\rangle \\ |\nu_3\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

PMNS matrix CPV parameter Mass (propagation)

$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$

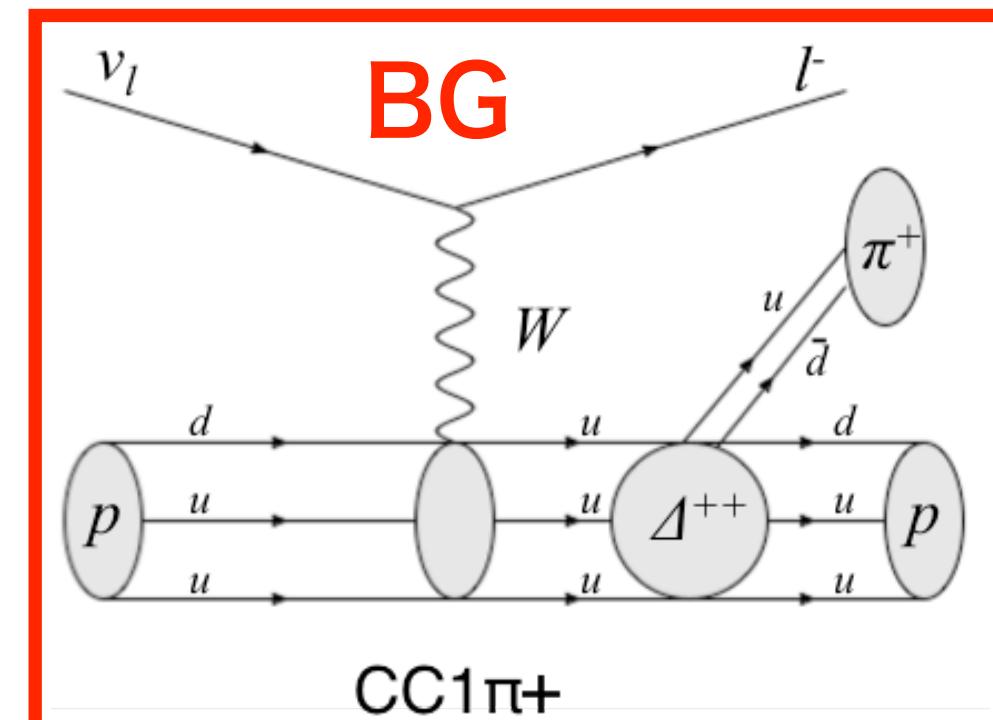
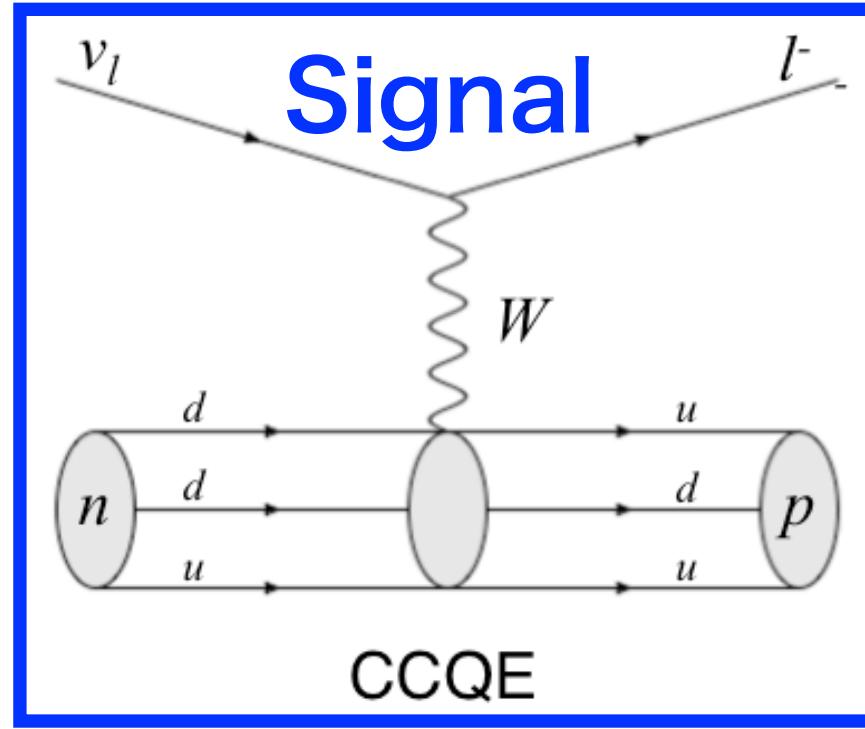
$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$

$\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$

Atmospheric Accelerator Reactor Solar

- Measure δ_{CP} (CP violation phase)
- Indication of CP violation by 2σ

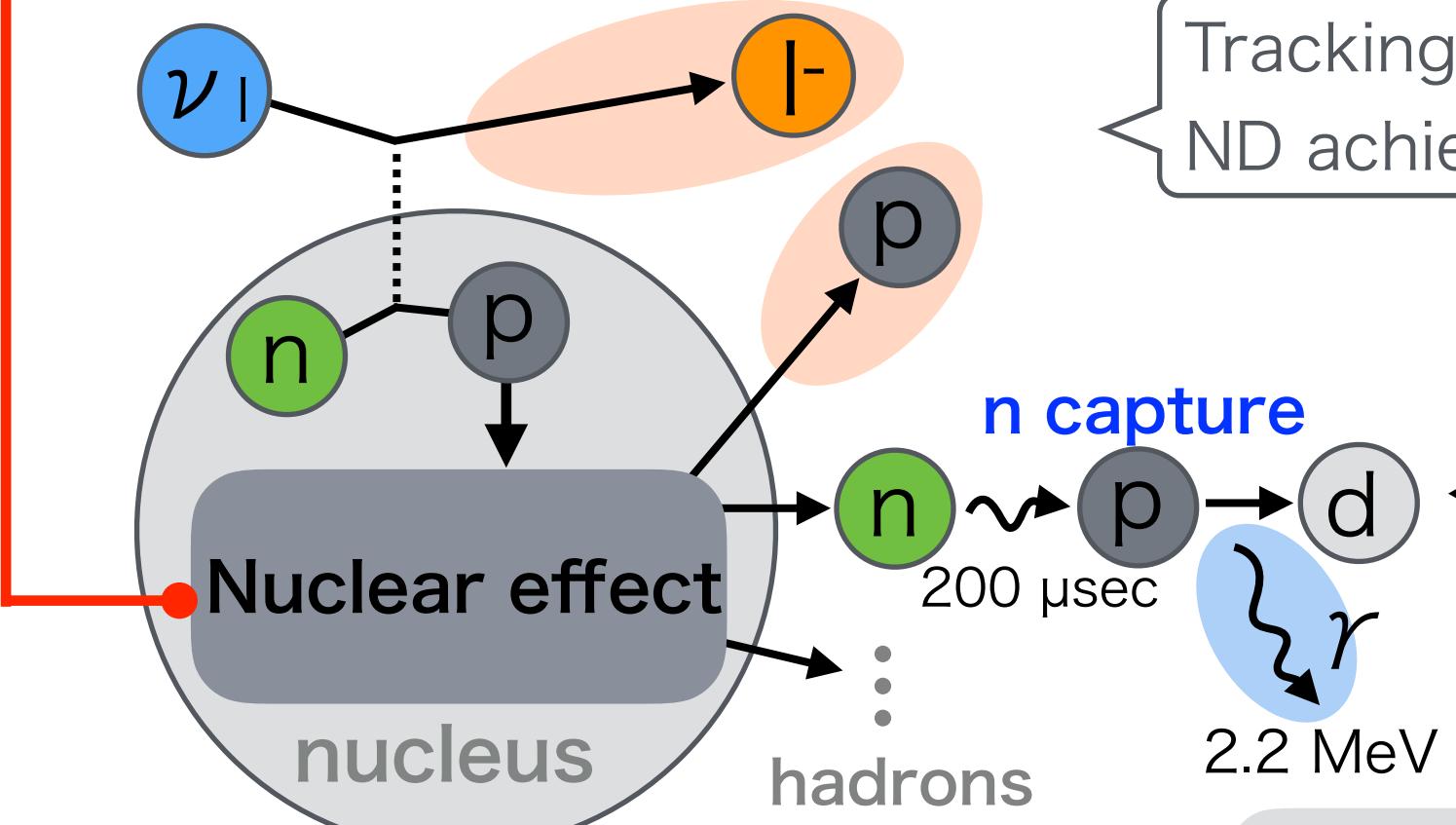
Largest systematic error : neutrino-nucleus (νN) interaction



Improper nuclear effect leads miss E_ν recon.

- Categorized as CCQE if we loss π (absorbed in nucleus, etc)

Large uncertainty



Radioactive decay
Difficult to measure at SK and ND
KL can measure them

Charged lepton (prompt)
Tracking (difficult for proton)
ND achieved high performance

Neutron (delayed)
2.2 MeV gamma
Low eff. at SK and ND (~20%)
KL achieved high eff. (~100%)

- No precise measurement
- Contains info. of nuclear effect
- Targets of this study

Studies so far

- Data analysis and MC simulation study were performed
 - Measured osc. parameters & indication of improper ν -N model
 - Newly find unexpected excess in low energy region

Measured osc. parameter

$$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.55^{+1.60}_{-0.75} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.36^{+0.41}_{-0.13}$$

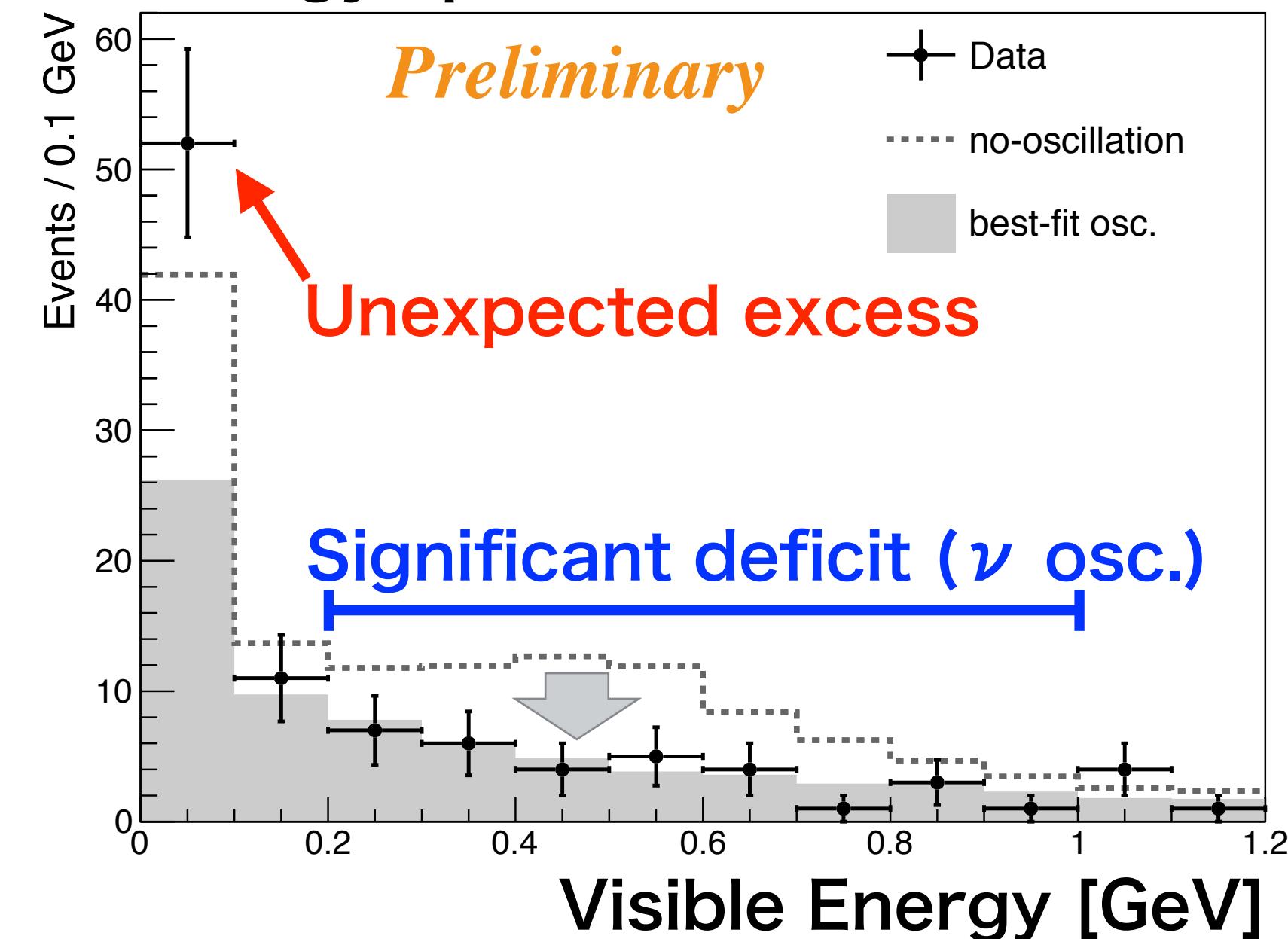
- MiniBooNE observed excess in low energy region
 - BG underestimation? Unknown interaction?
 - Sterile ν ?

Needs consistency check !

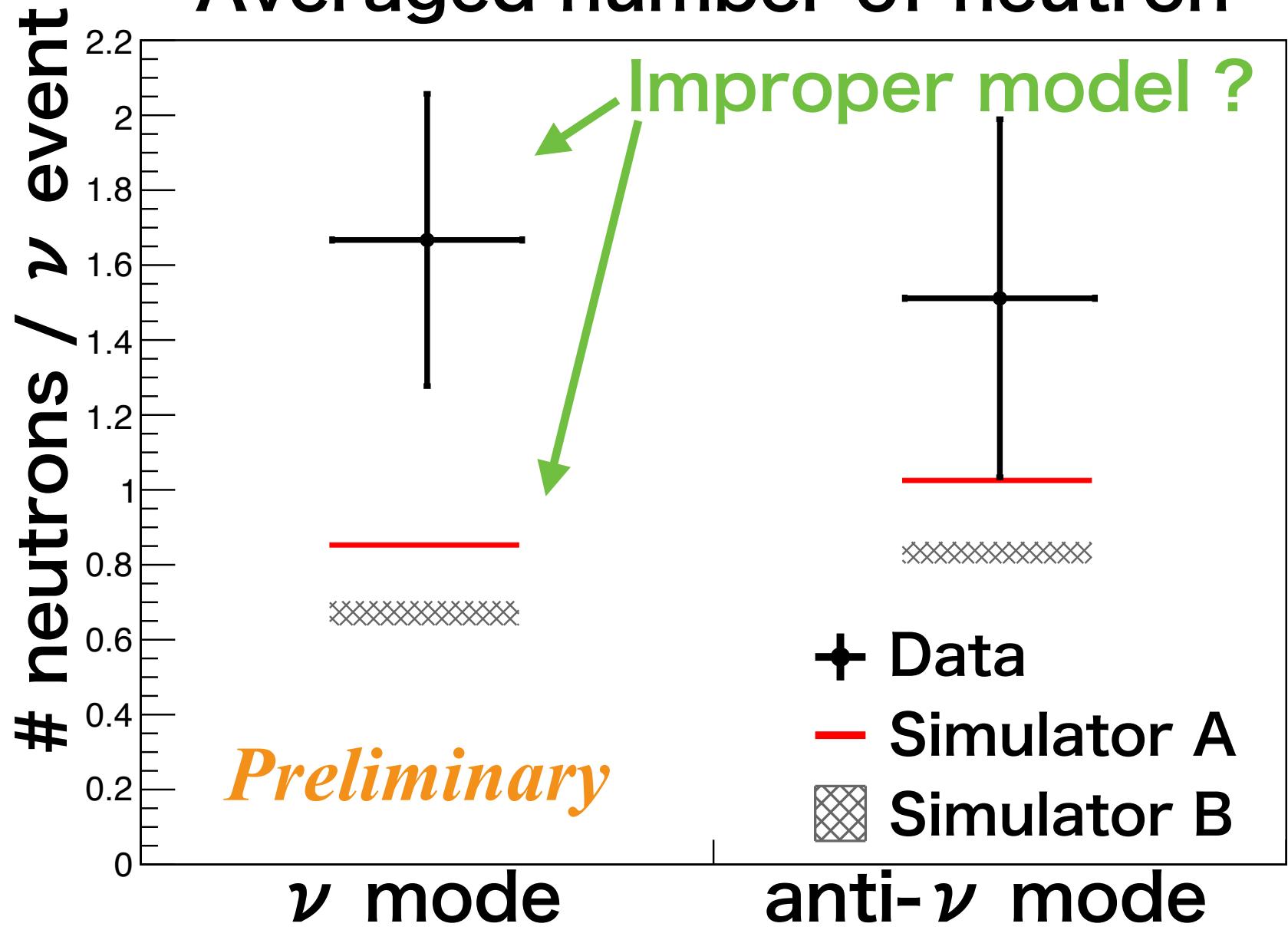
2 targets we have

- (1) ν -N model constraint
- (2) Understand excess in low E region

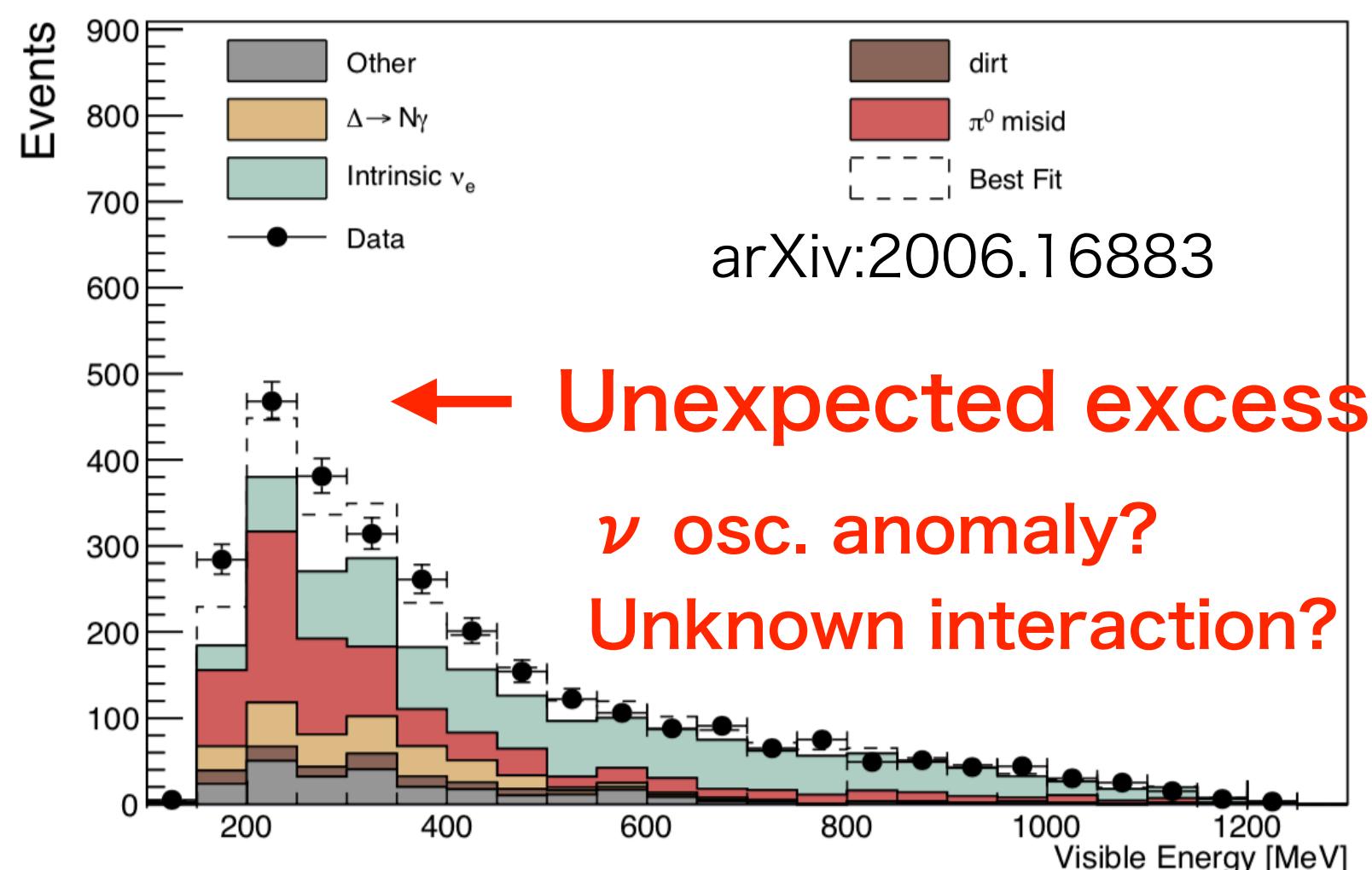
Energy spectrum of T2K events



Averaged number of neutron



MiniBooNE ν_e CCQE-like events



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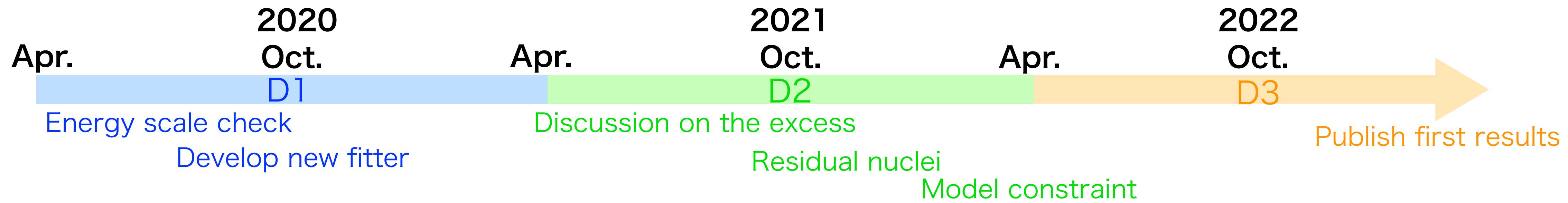
Prospects

(1) ν -N model constraint

- ▶ Further analysis on neutron detection (efficiency estimation, selection optimization, etc)
- ▶ Residual nuclei decay tag.
- ▶ Develop new fitter to reconstruct charge lepton (start and end points of the track, PID)
- ▶ Fit data with several model parameters and find best-fit value

(2) Understand excess in low E region

- ▶ Energy scale check (Both of MC and data)
- ▶ Get detail info. of these events
 - e-like? μ -like ? inner ? outer ?
- ▶ Compare with MiniBooNE excess in low E region
 - Consistency check.



Plans of overseas training

- ▶ Supervisor : Kevin S. McFarland (University of Rochester)
 - T2K collaborator as a neutrino interaction expert
- ▶ Purpose : Study on NCEL (Neutral Current Elastic scattering) model
 - Understand the model and that uncertainty there are in NCEL using NEUT
 - Learn how to use NEUT more detail
 - Discuss current constraint on the model and what kind of parameter we need to improve
 - Constrain with some measurements?
 - Detail contents are under discussion
 - NEUT ; ν interaction simulator
- ▶ With video meetings and e-mail staying in Sendai.
- ▶ I will submit an application document soon.
- ▶ I'm planning to start in this month.