### Status J-PARC Neutrino Program: T2K

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### T2K (Tokai to Kamioka) LBL v experiment



- Searches for  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$  oscillation ( $v_{e}$  appearance)
- Precise measurement of  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{\mu} (v_{\mu} \text{ disappearance})$

### **T2K Collaboration**



### 12 Countries

Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Poland, Russia, Spain, Switzerland, UK, USA

62 Institutions, ~500 members.

# Outline

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# Main Physics Goal

• Searches for  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$  oscillation ( $v_{e}$  appearance) Flavor eigenstate  $\begin{pmatrix} v_e \\ v_\mu \\ v_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & \sin\theta_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}$  Mass eigenstate SK Atm., K2K, MINOS Solar, KamLAND  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\delta$  are still unknown.  $\theta_{22} \sim 45^{\circ}$  $\theta_{12} \sim 34^{\circ}$  $\Delta m^2_{23} \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ [eV}^2$ ]  $\Delta m_{12}^2 \sim 8 \times 10^{-5} \,[\text{eV}^2]$  $\theta_{13} << \theta_{12}, \theta_{23}$  $P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) \approx \frac{\sin^{2} 2\theta_{13}}{2} \sin^{2} \theta_{23} \sin^{2} \left(\Delta m^{2}_{31} L/4E\right)$   $= 4J_{r} \frac{\sin \delta}{\Delta m^{2}_{21} L/2E} \sin^{2} \left(\Delta m^{2}_{31} L/4E\right) + \dots$ **Excluded** area sin<sup>2</sup>20<sub>23</sub>=0.93  $sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1$ - for v (Approximation @  $\Delta m_{31}^2 L/4E \sim \pi/2$ ,  $\Delta m_{32}^2 \sim \Delta m_{31}^2$ )  $J_r \equiv \cos \theta_{12} \sin \theta_{12} \cos \theta_{23} \sin \theta_{23} \cos^2 \theta_{13} \sin \theta_{13}$ + for  $\overline{v}$ 10-3 CHOOZ 90%C.L. $(v_{a} \rightarrow v_{y})$ 

Palo Verde 90%C.L. $(v_{e} \rightarrow v_{y})$ • Measure the unknown mixing parameter  $\theta_{13}$ K2K 90%C.L.  $(v_{1} \rightarrow v_{2})$  $\rightarrow$  Finite  $\theta_{13}$  lead us to future CP violation search 0.2 0.4 0.6

sin<sup>2</sup>20<sub>13</sub>

0.8



=  $R(SK/ND) \times Nve^{ND} \leftarrow ND$  measurement.

- R(SK/ND) : Far to Near flux extrapolation.
  - Targeting condition: Measured by proton beam monitors.
  - $\mathbf{P}_{\pi}, \theta_{\pi}$  distribution : Measured by CERN NA61

- "Beam MC"
- Horn focusing effect,  $\pi$  decay kinematics, geometrical acceptance.

# Signal events in T2K: CC-QE

- Charged current quasi-elastic events:
  - Dominant interaction
    - @ 1<sup>st</sup> oscillation maximum.  $E_V \sim 0.6 \text{GeV}$
  - Good SK performance
    - e / μ separation
    - Energy reconstruction:  $\Delta E/E \sim 10\%$
- Background events
  - v<sub>e</sub> appearance search.
    - π<sup>0</sup> from NC events:
    - Intrinsic ν<sub>e</sub> contaminated in ν<sub>μ</sub> beam
      ← measured by ND.
  - $\mathbf{v}_{\mu}$  disappearance
    - CC-non QE events w/ missing particle ... Ev reconstruction is not correct.

 $\rightarrow$  High energy components in v beam produce the background.



# Off-Axis beam

#### Pseudo-Monochromatic beam by Off-Axis method (ref. BNL E899)

- $\mathbf{v}$   $\mu$  beam is produced by conventional method.
  - Focus secondary pions using EM horns.
  - νµ is produced from pion decay in flight.
- $\mathbf{v}$   $\mu$  beam intentionally miss the SK direction.
- Set peak of (flux ×  $\sigma_{cc}$ ) @ oscillation max.
  - Fraction of high energy neutrino is small.





# Prospects in T2K



# Experimental setup & status

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# T2K status in 2009~2010

Beam line construction finished Mar. 2009.

- Current status: ve appearance search started!
  - Beam line parameters are fixed.
  - SK is accumulating data stably.
  - Near detector is starting data accumulation.





# J-PARC: Accelerators & exp. facilities

Joint project by JAEA and KEK



# Beam line commissioning

#### Beam direction is tuned using muon profile.

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Beam orbit at the target is tuned using OTR monitor.

OTR:Ti target @50kW (pixel) X (pixel)



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## Hadron production measurement

### CERN NA61

- Data was taken in 2007 and 2009.
  - p (30GeV) + C (thin target or thick target)
- Preliminary result of π production for thin target data was released.
  - $\rightarrow$  It will be implemented in T2K beam MC.



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### 2 Near Detectors



## **On-axis detector**



Beam direction measurement is started.

## OFF axis detector





Magnet on (0.188 T) v beam

Event display for beam event During Magnet test operation.

# Far Detector: SK-IV

- 50kt Water Cherenkov detector.
- 20' PMT×10,000 + Anti counter PMT×2000 : 40% Photo coverage
- New readout electronics is installed in 2008 summer.
  - Stable & dead time less DAQ system
- Beam related events are selected by event timing using GPS system.
  Beam timing is sent via network and used in semi-online event selection.





# First v event candidate @ SK

#### Super-Kamiokande IV

T2K Beam Run 0 Spill 1143942 Run 66498 Sub 160 Event 37004533 10-02-24:06:00:10 T2K beam dt = 2362.3 ns Inner: 1265 hits, 2344 pe Outer: 2 hits, 1 pe Trigger: 0x80000007 D\_wall: 650.3 cm





### 2010/2/24 6:00:06

• Fully contained (No OD activity)

Time(ns)

- Inside the Fiduicial Volume
- On timing





# Prospects in 2010

• Full proposal: 750kW, 5 x  $10^7$  sec.

Short term goal in 2010: Accumulate 100kW x 10<sup>7</sup>sec data.
 ← It is endorsed by J-PARC PAC.



# Summary

- T2K : Long-baseline v experiment.
  - Search  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$  oscillation.
  - Determine remaining v mixing angle:  $\theta_{13}$ .
- Commissioning is completed in 2009.
  - → ve search has started. First neutrino event at SK detected.
- Next milestone: Accumulate 100kWx10<sup>7</sup> sec in 2010.
  → Reach the current θ<sub>13</sub> limit and demonstrate the prospects of T2K experiment.
- •Ultimate goal : 90% CL sensitivity
  - $sin^2 2\theta_{13}$  : 0.006 ( $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} eV^2$ , 10% BG syst. error)

# backup

### Expected beam power

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