## Improving Atmospheric and Proton Decay Physics

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An 'Ultimate' Neutrino and Proton Decay Experiment

Very personal view for a future (10~20 years from now) astro-particle physics detector

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## An 'Ultimate' detector in ~2020

- Best sensitivity
- Scalability and flexibility for a situation change in future
- Shorter time to construct and shorter running time to obtain results

## **Proton Decay**

## What is the required sensitivity



Theorists do not give us any guarantee Some theorists say just around the corner, and others say 1~2x 10<sup>35</sup> years for  $e\pi^0$ , vK is important, vK is suppressed and so on ....

#### Theorists' best bets ??? : $10^{35} \sim 10^{36}$ yr for $e\pi^{0}$ : < $10^{35}$ yr for vK, $\mu$ K $\rightarrow$ Detector Size: The larger, the better ?

## **Proton Decay Detector**



 Only factor 3=sqrt(10) improvement (for 10 years operation: 2020 ~ 2030)
 "NEED" ~ 5 Mt fiducial mass for factor 10=sqrt(100) improvement in 10 years





SK-I (40% cover.: 2PMT/m<sup>2</sup>) and SK-II (20% cover.: 1PMT/m<sup>2</sup>) give similar efficiency and BG. [SK-PMT: 50cm in diameter] SK-I+SK-II(421d): 118 ktyr -> 6.9x10<sup>33</sup>yr 90%CL

## Sensitivity for $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$



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## Sensitivity for $p \rightarrow vK^+$

Assume; 40% coverage:

Need more study for the 20% coverage



## How a ~5 Mt detector looks like

Super-UNO Super-HK Super-???

Requirements for the detector

1) Scalability: May start with 1 Mt but can be expandable

2) Low cost
3) Short construction time
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# TITAND

#### Totally Immersible Tank Assaying Nucleon Decay

Y. Suzuki hep-ex/0110005 (in 2001) Multi-Megaton Water Cherenkov Detector for a Proton Decay Search -- TITAND





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#### TITAND-I 85m x 85m x 105m x 4 units = 3.03 Mt (2.22 Mt fiducial : ~ SK x 100) TITAND-II 2 module $\rightarrow$ 4.4 Mt f.v. (SK x 200) For 3.03 Mt module Steel + epoxy lining (salt water <-> pure water) 69,600 tons + $\alpha$ (78,000 tons) Y. Suzuki, NO-VE2006, F60-8 13



## How to construct

- Construct steel container (unit) 85m x 85m x 105m Maximum size of DOCK in the world
  - width:108m x length: 480m
- 2. Install PMTs at the DOCK

Number of PMTs (or any equivalent light sensors): 179,200 PMTs (1/2 SK density) for TITAND-I

3. Tow units to the site











## Surface Floating Plat Form



sub-merging floating object



#### 10 ktons /day (2 system) 100 days for 2 Mton

May be 30m x 40m (steel + epoxy lining) is enough

- Generator  $\rightarrow$  1.5 MW
- Desalination system
- Water purification system
- Research buildings
  - Electronics & computer
  - Dormitory
  - Restrant & Caffe

## Where we can place the detector? Tidal current < 3 knot ~ 5.6km /hour In order to keep the detector in place



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## **Construction periods**

	1 <sup>st</sup> yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> yr
Design			
Preparation			
Construction			
Set up			

Total 3 years construction time:

### very short But the manufacturing time for the light sensors is not included.

## Crude cost estimate

#### TITAND-I 2.22 Mt (~100xSK) fiducial volume

Container	\$141 M	
Install	25	
Light sensors	179.2	1k\$ /channel (20% coverage)
Electronics	17.9	100\$ /channel
Floating Plat form	8.6	
Generator	5.0	\$211.6 M (2.2Mton fid.)
Desalination Plant	32.0	
Others	10.0	Underground Cavity
Total	\$ 418.7M	Tank and structure

#### Cost: TITAND-II 4.44 M ton (~200xSK) < (TITAND-I x 2)

## Depth requirement

#### Assumption: 1µsec dead time for CR events



## Improvement of the Atmospheric Neutrino Data by TITAND-II

• <u>Full SK detector MC and SK reconstruction</u> <u>tools.</u> Mass Hierarchy:

Our future home work

Small  $\theta_{13}$  case:

- w/ same systematic errors
- Fixed Parameters
  - $-\Delta m^{2}_{23} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} eV^{2}$  (positive)
  - $\Delta m^{2}_{12} = 8.3 \times 10^{-5} eV^{2}$  and  $\sin^{2}2\theta_{12} = 0.825$
- Created for the combinations of various
  - 3 parameter sets (test points)
    - $\sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.40, \, 0.45, \, 0.50, \, 0.55, \, 0.60$
    - $\sin^2\theta_{13} = 0.04, 0.02, 0.006, 0.00$
    - δCP = 45°, 135°, 225°, 315°

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## Data sets

- Created data sets for 100 yrs full simulation
- Statistically scaled to 800 yrs
- 800 yrs of SK: 18 Mtyr

= 4 years of TITAND-II(4.4Mt)
36 years of UNO or HK
– Compared to 80yrs of SK = 4 yrs of UNO or HK

5 months of TITAND-II

– Compared to 20yrs of SK = SK by 2020





## 20 year of SK (SK 'final' results!)



 $sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.40 \text{ or } 0.60 (sin^22\theta_{23}=0.96)$ : Possible for larger  $sin^2\theta_{13}$  for SK 20 yrs  $sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.45 \text{ or } 0.55 (sin^22\theta_{23}=0.99)$ : Difficult for SK 20 yrs

## 80yrs SK ~ 3.6yrs of UNO or HK

 $s^{2}2\theta_{12}=0.825$   $s^{2}\theta_{23}=0.40 \sim 0.60$   $s^{2}\theta_{13}=0.00\sim0.04$   $\delta cp=45^{\circ}$   $\Delta m^{2}_{12}=8.3x10^{-5}$   $\Delta m^{2}_{23}=2.5x10^{-3}$ 0.14



#### For UNO or HK, discrimination is possible for $sin^2\theta_{23} = 0.40$ or 0.60 ( $sin^22\theta_{23}=0.96$ )

## 800yrs SK ~ 4yrs of TITAND-II



## For TITAN-II, octant can be resolved for $sin^2\theta_{23} > 0.45$ or < 0.55 ( $sin^22\theta_{23} > 0.99$ )

# No strong CP phase dependence for Octant search



### CP phase (80yrs SK = 3.6yrs of UNO or HK)



## For UNO or HK, CP phase may be seen if $\theta_{13}$ is close to the CHOOZ limit

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### CP phase (800yrs SK = 4 yrs of TINTAND-II)



For TITAND-II, CP phase could be determined if  $\theta_{13}$  is larger than  $\sin^2\theta_{13} \sim 0.006$ 

# No strong $\theta_{23}$ dependence for CP phase search



## Non-zero $\theta_{13}$



## Other physics with TITAND

- Serve as a movable far detector for LBLE at any distance
- Supernovae
- Can be added magnetic detector for neutrino factory
- May be more

## Conclusion

## Astroparticle Physicists in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century would travel on the sea

