# Neutrinoless double-beta decay experiments





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Observation of  $0\nu\beta\beta$  to confirm neutrinos majorana nature

$$2\boldsymbol{\nu}\boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}: (A,Z) \to (A,Z+2) + 2e^{-} + 2\boldsymbol{\overline{\nu}}_{e} \quad \boldsymbol{0}\boldsymbol{\nu}\boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta} \quad (T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} \propto \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^{2}$$



 $2\nu\beta\beta$  exceptionally slow nuclear process,  $T_{1/2} \sim 10^{19-21}$  years, so how do we detect  $0\nu\beta\beta$ ?

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### Experimental design criteria for $0\nu\beta\beta$

Direct searches: kinematic parameters of the two electrons

→ Total energy and individual electron paths

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = \ln 2 \frac{N_A}{W} \left( \frac{a \cdot \epsilon \cdot M}{N_{\rm obs}} \right) t \qquad \propto \quad \text{a} \epsilon \sqrt{\frac{M}{N_{\rm bkg}} \cdot \Delta E}$$

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 $\Delta E$ 

N<sub>bkg</sub>

Detector and isotope choice depending on:

- High isotopic abundance a
- Deployment in large quantity
- High-E resolution detector
- Low-background conditions



### Experimental design criteria for $0\nu\beta\beta$

There are 35 isotopes capable of  $\beta\beta$  decay, but not all suitable

Isotope	a (%)	$Q_{etaeta}$ (MeV)	
<sup>48</sup> Ca	0.187	4.263	$\int \mathbf{Q}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ influence on:
<sup>76</sup> Ge	7.8	2.039	Background
<sup>82</sup> Se	8.7	2.998	Energy resolution
<sup>130</sup> Te	34.08	2.527	
<sup>136</sup> Xe	8.9	2.459	$136_{54}$ Xe $\rightarrow 56_{56}$ Ba + 2e

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto a\epsilon \sqrt{\frac{Mt}{N_{\rm bkg} \cdot \Delta E}}$$

- $\rightarrow$  Isotopic abundance
- $\rightarrow$  Quantity
- $\rightarrow$  Energy resolution
- $\rightarrow$  Backgrounds





## General purpose detector

Solar neutrinos

Geo and reactor neutrinos

Accelerator neutrinos

Astrophysical neutrinos

Neutrinoless double beta decay



### Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Antineutrino Detector



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### Spherical tank, ø18m

• 3.2kt pure water

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### Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Antineutrino Detector

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### Spherical tank, ø18m

• 3.2kt pure water

~1800 17- & 20-inch PMTs

Non-scintillation oil 1.8m

KamLAND-LS, Ø13m, 1.2kt

- Dodecane 80.2%
- Pseudocumene 19.8%
- PPO 1.36g/L

### Kamioka Liquid Scintillator Antineutrino Detector



#### **Inner detector**

- ~ 1300 17-inch PMTs
- ~ 550 20-inch PMTs





### KamLAND-Zen: Zero Neutrino Double Beta



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$$^{136}_{54}$$
Xe  $\rightarrow \ ^{136}_{56}$ Ba + 2e<sup>-</sup>

Xe-LS balloon, ø3.8m, 24t

- 3.13% enriched xenon
  - → 745 kg <sup>136</sup>Xe
  - → 970 kg yr Exposure

 $Q_{\beta\beta} = 2.458 \text{ MeV}$ 





- $\succ 2\nu\beta\beta$  decay
- ➤ Cosmogenic spallation products
  - → Short-lived: triple coincidence tagging
  - → Long-lived: problem
- ➤ Solar neutrino interactions
- ➤ Radioactive contamination



Visible Energy



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### Long-lived isotope production from xenon spallation

> Muon spallation on xenon results in long-lived isotopes  $T_{1/2} \sim (\text{sec} - \text{months})$ 



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→ **External** to Xe-LS: IB material



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### Most stringent limit on the half-life of $0\nu\beta\beta$



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Energy resolution $\sim rac{6.7\%}{\sqrt{E(MeV)}}$ 

 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.3 \times 10^{26} \,\mathrm{yr}$ 

### First test of the Majorana nature in the IO region

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu}(Q,Z) |M_{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2 \longrightarrow \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|$$

Nuclear Matrix Element

 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.3 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr}$ 

 $\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle < (36 - 156) \mathrm{meV}$ 





Most promising isotope candidates: <sup>76</sup>Ge | <sup>82</sup>Se | <sup>100</sup>Mo | <sup>130</sup>Te | <sup>136</sup>Xe

Leading next-generation ton-scale experiments:

► **CUPID** <sup>100</sup>Mo bolometer

← upgrade of CUORE <sup>130</sup>Te Bolometer

► **nEXO 5 ton** <sup>136</sup>Xe TPC

← upgrade of EXO-200 200kg <sup>136</sup>Xe TPC

► **LEGEND-1000** 1 ton <sup>76</sup>Ge

 $\leftarrow upgrade of LEGEND-200 \xrightarrow{76} Ge semiconductor$ 

Started data taking very recently



## Towards the bottom of the IO region





### XENONnT + LUX-ZEPLIN + DARWIN = XLZD



Future DM detector possibly functioning as high sensitive  $0\nu\beta\beta$  experiment





### **Future perspectives**



▷ Current most stringent limit is at  $T_{1/2} > 2.3 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr} \rightarrow m_{\beta\beta} < (36 - 156) \text{meV}$ 

Next-generation detectors reach the bottom of IO and a significant part of NO

➤ LEGEND-1000, nEXO and XLZD explore the NO

 $\checkmark 0\nu\beta\beta$  is discovered in the IO region  $\rightarrow$  identify LNV physics  $\thickapprox 0\nu\beta\beta$  is not discovered in IO region  $\rightarrow$  increase scale and sensitivity of experiments

! Next-next-generation experiments ready by time ton-scale experiments complete !



# Thank you for your attention!

# **Backup slides**

## KamLAND-Zen upgrade

- ➤ KamLAND2-Zen
  - → 1000 kg enriched Xenon
  - → Improved energy resolution:  $2\nu\beta\beta$  background reduced
  - $\rightarrow$  Scintillating inner balloon

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.3 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr} \longrightarrow T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2 \times 10^{27} \text{ yr}$$
$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle \sim (36 - 156) \text{ meV} \longrightarrow \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle \sim 20 \text{ meV}$$







### Possible detector locations and muon flux





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### $0\nu\beta\beta$ detectors and laboratory specifications

Laboratory	Country	Experiment(s)	Access	Depth
Laboratoire Souterrain de Modane (LSM)	France	CUPID-Mo, SuperNEMO	Horizontal	4,800
Laboratorio Subter- raneo de Canfranc (LSC)	Spain	NEXT-WHITE, NEXT-100, NEXT-HD module 1	Horizontal	2450
Yangyang Underground Laboratory	South Korea	AMoRE	Horizontal	2000
Kamioka Observatory	Japan	KamLAND-Zen, KamLAND2-Zen, CANDLES	Horizontal	2700
China Jinping Under- ground Laboratory (CJPL)	China	PandaX-III	Horizontal	6700
Sudbury Neutrino Ob- servatory (SNOLAB)	Canada	SNO+, nEXO, LEGEND- 1000	Vertical	6010
Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF)	USA	Majorana Demonstrator, Theia	Vertical	4300
Gran Sasso National Laboratory (LNGS)	Italy	CUORE, CUPID, GERDA, LEGEND-200, LEGEND- 1000	Horizontal	3400
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)*	USA	EXO-200	Vertical	2000





### **Radioactive and Solar Backgrounds**





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### $0\nu\beta\beta$ detector limits





### $0\nu\beta\beta$ detector limits





FIG. 20 Fundamental parameters driving the sensitive background and exposure, and consequently the sensitivity, of recent and future phases of existing experiments (see Eq. 47). Red bars are used for  $^{76}$ Ge experiments, orange for  $^{136}$ Xe, blue for  $^{130}$ Te, green for  $^{100}$ Mo, and sepia for  $^{82}$ Se. Similar exposures are achieved with high mass but poorer energy resolution and efficiency by gas and liquid detectors, or with small mass but high resolution and efficiency by solid state detectors. The sensitive exposure is computed for one year of livetime. Ligher shades indicate experiments which are under construction or proposed.

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 $^{76}$ Ge

136**Xe** 

 $^{130}{\rm Te}$ 

<sup>100</sup>Mo

<sup>82</sup>Se



### **Future and current detector limits**

Experiment	Isotope	Sensitivity	limit (90% CL)	Exposure time	Reference
		$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$ [year]	$m_{\beta\beta}$ [meV]	[year]	
DARWIN (baseline)	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$2.4  imes 10^{27}$	18-46	10	this work
DARWIN (v dominated)	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$6.2 \times 10^{27}$	11-28	10	this work
KamLAND2-Zen	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$6 \times 10^{26}$	37-91	5	[37]
PandaX-III	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$1 \times 10^{27}$	28-71	3	[9]
NEXT-HD	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$3 \times 10^{27}$	16-41	10	[8]
nEXO	<sup>136</sup> Xe	$9.2 \times 10^{27}$	9-23	10	[10]
SNO+-II	<sup>130</sup> Te	$7 \times 10^{26}$	20-70	5	[37]
AMoRE-II	<sup>100</sup> Mo	$5 \times 10^{26}$	15-30	5	[37]
CUPID	<sup>130</sup> Te / <sup>100</sup> Mo	$(2-5) \times 10^{27}$	6-17	10	[37]
LEGEND-1000	<sup>76</sup> Ge	$1 \times 10^{28}$	11-28	10	[37]

Isotope	Technique	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$	$m_{\beta\beta}$ (eV)	Year Published
<sup>48</sup> Ca	CaF <sub>2</sub> scint. crystals	$> 5.8 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$	<3.5-22	2008 [65]
<sup>76</sup> Ge	<sup>76</sup> Ge detectors	$>1.8\times10^{26}~{\rm y}$	< 0.079-0.180	2020 [12]
$^{82}Se$	Zn <sup>82</sup> Se bolometers	$> 4.6 \times 10^{24} \text{ y}$	< 0.263 - 0.545	2022 [19]
$^{96}Zr$	Thin metal foil within TPC	$> 9.2 \times 10^{21} \text{ y}$	<3.9 - 19.5	2009 [66]
<sup>100</sup> Mo	Li <sup>100</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> bolometers	$> 1.8 \times 10^{24} \text{ y}$	< 0.28-0.49	2022 [18]
<sup>116</sup> Cd	<sup>116</sup> CdWO <sub>4</sub> scint. crystals	$> 2.2 \times 10^{23} \text{ y}$	<1.0-1.7	2018 [67]
<sup>128</sup> Te	$TeO_2$ bolometers	$> 3.6 \times 10^{24} \text{ y}$	< 1.5 - 4.0	2022 [68]
<sup>130</sup> Te	$TeO_2$ bolometers	$> 2.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ y}$	< 0.090 - 0.305	2022 [69]
<sup>136</sup> Xe	Liquid Xe scintillators	$> 2.3 \times 10^{26} \text{ y}$	< 0.036 - 0.156	2022 [13]
<sup>150</sup> Nd	Thin metal foil within TPC	$> 2 \times 10^{22} \text{ y}$	1.6 - 5.3	2016 [70]



## Sensitive background and exposure for recent and future

### experiments

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 $^{76}$ Ge

136**Xe** 

 $^{130}{\rm Te}$ 

<sup>100</sup>Mo

<sup>82</sup>Se

FIG. 21 Sensitive background and exposure for recent and future experiments. The grey dashed lines indicate specific discovery sensitivity values on the  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay half-life. The colored dashed line indicate the half-life sensitivities required to test the bottom of the inverted ordering scenario for <sup>76</sup>Ge, <sup>136</sup>Xe, <sup>130</sup>Te <sup>100</sup>Mo, and <sup>82</sup>Se, assuming for each isotope the largest NME value among the QRPA calculations listed in Tab. I. A livetime of 10 yr is assumed except for completed experiments, for which the final reported exposure is used.



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### KamLAND-Zen background visualisation at IB region



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### **KamLAND-Zen data visualization**

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### Which isotope is the best choice for detecting $0\nu\beta\beta$







### Other isotopes and muon spallation products

Double-beta candidate	Q-value (MeV)	Phase space $G_{01}(y^{-1})$	Isotopic abundance (%)	Enrichable by centrifugation	Indicative cost normalized to Ge
<sup>48</sup> Ca	4.27226 (404)	$6.05 \times 10^{-14}$	0.187	No	_
<sup>76</sup> Ge	2.03904 (16)	$5.77 \times 10^{-15}$	7.8	Yes	1
<sup>82</sup> Se	2.99512 (201)	$2.48 \times 10^{-14}$	9.2	Yes	1
<sup>96</sup> Zr	3.35037 (289)	$5.02 \times 10^{-14}$	2.8	No	_
<sup>100</sup> Mo	3.03440 (17)	$3.89 \times 10^{-14}$	9.6	Yes	1
116Cd	2.81350 (13)	$4.08 \times 10^{-14}$	7.5	Yes	3
<sup>130</sup> Te	2.52697 (23)	$3.47 \times 10^{-14}$	33.8	Yes	0.2
<sup>136</sup> Xe	2.45783 (37)	$3.56 \times 10^{-14}$	8.9	Yes	0.1
<sup>150</sup> Nd	3.37138 (20)	$1.54\times10^{-13}$	5.6	No	_

Table 4: Relevant parameters and features of the "magnificent nine" double-beta decay candidates.

#### Table 1 The most experimentally feasible isotopes and their key features

Isotope	Abundance (%)	$Q_{\beta\beta}$ (MeV)	$G^{2\nu}$ (10 <sup>-18</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )
<sup>48</sup> Ca	0.187	4.263	15.6
<sup>76</sup> Ge	7.8	2.039	0.0482
<sup>82</sup> Se	9.2	2.998	1.60
<sup>96</sup> Zr	2.8	3.348	7.83
<sup>100</sup> Mo	9.6	3.035	4.13
116Cd	7.6	2.813	3.18
<sup>130</sup> Te	34.08	2.527	1.53
<sup>136</sup> Xe	8.9	2.459	1.43
<sup>150</sup> Nd	5.6	3.371	36.4

The phase-space factors  $G^{2\nu}$  are from Reference 4.  $G^{2\nu}$  for  ${}^{96}$ Zr,  ${}^{100}$ Mo, and  ${}^{116}$ Cd are calculated within the single-state dominance model (see Section 3).

Isotope	Half-life (s)	Decay mode	Yield (total) (×10 <sup>-7</sup> $\mu^{-1}g^{-1}cm^2$ )	Yield ( $E > 3.5 \text{ MeV}$ ) (×10 <sup>-7</sup> $\mu^{-1}g^{-1}\text{cm}^2$ )	Primary process
n			2030		
<sup>18</sup> N	0.624	β-	0.02	0.01	<sup>18</sup> O(n,p)
17N	4.173	$\beta^{-}n$	0.59	0.02	$^{18}O(n,n+p)$
16N	7.13	$\beta^-\gamma$ (66%), $\beta^-$ (28%)	18	18	(n,p)
<sup>16</sup> C	0.747	$\beta^{-n}$	0.02	0.003	$(\pi^{-}, n + p)$
15C	2.449	$\beta^{-}\gamma$ (63%), $\beta^{-}$ (37%)	0.82	0.28	(n,2p)
<sup>14</sup> B	0.0138	$\beta^-\gamma$	0.02	0.02	(n,3p)
13O	0.0086	$\beta^+$	0.26	0.24	$(\mu^{-}, p + 2n + \mu^{-} + \pi^{-})$
<sup>13</sup> B	0.0174	$\beta^{-}$	1.9	1.6	$(\pi^{-}, 2p + n)$
<sup>12</sup> N	0.0110	$\beta^+$	1.3	1.1	$(\pi^+, 2p + 2n)$
<sup>12</sup> B	0.0202	$\beta^{-}$	12	9.8	$(n, \alpha + p)$
<sup>12</sup> Be	0.0236	$\beta^{-}$	0.10	0.08	$(\pi^{-}, \alpha + p + n)$
11Be	13.8	$\beta^{-}$ (55%), $\beta^{-}\gamma$ (31%)	0.81	0.54	$(n,\alpha + 2p)$
11Li	0.0085	$\beta^{-n}$	0.01	0.01	$(\pi^+, 5p + \pi^+ + \pi^0)$
°C	0.127	$\beta^+$	0.89	0.69	$(n,\alpha + 4n)$
<sup>9</sup> Li	0.178	$\beta^{-}n$ (51%), $\beta^{-}$ (49%)	1.9	1.5	$(\pi^{-}, \alpha + 2p + n)$
<sup>8</sup> B	0.77	$\beta^+$	5.8	5.0	$(\pi^+, \alpha + 2p + 2n)$
<sup>8</sup> Li	0.838	$\beta^{-}$	13	11	$(\pi^{-}, \alpha + {}^{2}H + p + n)$
<sup>8</sup> He	0.119	$\beta^-\gamma~(84\%),\beta^-n~(16\%)$	0.23	0.16	$(\pi^{-}, {}^{3}\mathrm{H} + 4p + n)$
15O			351		$(\gamma,n)$
<sup>15</sup> N			773		$(\gamma, p)$
14O			13		(n,3n)
14N			295		$(\gamma, n+p)$
14C			64		(n, n + 2p)
<sup>13</sup> N			19		$(\gamma,^{3}H)$
<sup>13</sup> C			225		$(n,^{2}H + p + n)$
<sup>12</sup> C			792		$(\gamma, \alpha)$
<sup>11</sup> C			105		$(n,\alpha + 2n)$
11B			174		$(n,\alpha + p + n)$
$^{10}C$			7.6		$(n,\alpha + 3n)$
$^{10}B$			77		$(n,\alpha + p + 2n)$
<sup>10</sup> Be			24		$(n,\alpha + 2p + n)$
<sup>9</sup> Be			38		$(n,2\alpha)$
sum			3015	50	



### **Xenon spallation FLUKA simulations**

TABLE IX. Simulated production rate of dominant isotopes in  $2.35 \le E \le 2.70$  MeV in Xe-LS.

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	$10^{-1}$ $10^{-1}$
100	$10^{5}$
	$10 \times 10^{10}$
80	- 1
60	10-1
	$10^{-2}$
	$10^{-3}$
20	10-4
	$10^{-5}$
0 10 20 30 40 50 60	0 10

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			(kton	$day)^{-1}$
	$\tau_{1/2}$ (s)	$Q({ m MeV})$	ROI	Total
<sup>88</sup> Y	$9.212 \times 10^{6}$	$3.62 (EC/\beta^+ \gamma)$	0.110	0.136
$90m^1$ Zr	$8.092\times10^{-1}$	$2.31(\mathrm{IT})$	0.012	0.093
<sup>90</sup> Nb	$5.256  imes 10^4$	$6.11 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.024	0.095
<sup>96</sup> Tc	$3.698 \times 10^5$	$2.97 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.012	0.059
$^{98}Rh$	$5.232 \times 10^{2}$	5.06 $(EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.011	0.076
$^{100}Rh$	$7.488\times10^4$	$3.63 (EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.088	0.234
$^{104}Ag$	$4.152 \times 10^3$	$4.28 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.012	0.160
104m1Ag	$2.010 \times 10^3$	$4.28 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.018	0.111
<sup>107</sup> In	$1.944 \times 10^3$	$3.43 (EC/\beta^+ \gamma)$	0.019	0.135
108In	$3.480 \times 10^3$	5.16 $(EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.089	0.194
<sup>110</sup> In	$1.771\times 10^4$	$3.89 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.053	0.236
$^{110m1}$ In	$4.146 \times 10^3$	$3.89 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.066	0.351
$^{109}Sn$	$1.080 \times 10^3$	$3.85 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.027	0.122
$^{113}Sb$	$4.002 \times 10^2$	$3.92 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.036	0.231
$^{114}Sb$	$2.094 \times 10^2$	5.88 $(EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.020	0.297
$^{115}Sb$	$1.926 \times 10^3$	$3.03 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.031	0.839
$^{116}Sb$	$9.480 \times 10^2$	$4.71 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.071	0.939
$^{118}Sb$	$2.160 \times 10^2$	$3.66 (EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.165	1.288
$^{124}Sb$	$5.201  imes 10^6$	$2.90 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^{-} \gamma \right)$	0.016	0.054
$^{115}\mathrm{Te}$	$3.480 \times 10^2$	$4.64 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.012	0.124
<sup>117</sup> Te	$3.720 \times 10^3$	$3.54 (EC/\beta^+ \gamma)$	0.052	0.594
<sup>119</sup> I	$1.146\times 10^3$	$3.51 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.053	0.533
$^{120}I$	$4.896 \times 10^3$	5.62 $(EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.091	0.953
$^{122}I$	$2.178 \times 10^2$	$4.23 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.289	1.965
$^{124}I$	$3.608 \times 10^5$	$3.16 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.190	1.654
<sup>130</sup> I	$4.450 \times 10^4$	$2.95(\beta^-\gamma)$	0.195	1.188
$^{132}I$	$8.262 \times 10^3$	$3.58(\beta^-\gamma)$	0.148	0.427
$^{134}I$	$3.150 \times 10^3$	$4.18(\beta^{-}\gamma)$	0.043	0.183
$^{121}\mathrm{Xe}$	$2.406 \times 10^3$	$3.75 (EC/\beta^+ \gamma)$	0.100	0.540
$^{125}Cs$	$2.802 \times 10^3$	$3.09 (EC/\beta^+\gamma)$	0.012	0.266
$^{126}Cs$	$9.840 \times 10^{1}$	$4.82 (EC/\beta^+ \gamma)$	0.011	0.080
$^{128}Cs$	$2.196\times 10^2$	$3.93 \left( \text{EC} / \beta^+ \gamma \right)$	0.031	0.229

### High energetic muons flying through the detector

Muon track reconstruction and induced showers



O. Hideyoshi, High Sensitivity Search for Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay in KamLAND-Zen with Double Amount of 136Xe. PhD thesis, Tohoku University, 2020. S. W. Li and J. F. Beacom, "Spallation backgrounds in superkamiokande are made in muon-induced showers," *Physical Review D*, vol. 91, no. 10, p. 105005, 2015



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Triple coincidence tagging of muon spallation products



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TABLE IV Fundamental parameters driving the sensitive background and exposure of recent and future phases of existing experiments. The last two columns report the discovery sensitivity on the  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay half-life for 10 years of livetime, and the corresponding sensitivity on  $m_{\beta\beta}$  for the range of NMEs specified in Tab. I. For completed experiments, sensitivities are computed using the reported final exposure. MJD, KLZ, and SuperNEMO-D refer to the MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR, KamLAND-Zen, and the SuperNEMO Demonstrator, respectively.

				$m_{ m iso}$	$\varepsilon_{\rm act}$	$\varepsilon_{\mathrm{cont}}$	$\varepsilon_{\mathrm{mva}}$	σ	ROI	$\varepsilon_{\mathrm{ROI}}$	ε	B	$\lambda_b$	$T_{1/2}$	$m_{etaeta}$
Experiment	Isotope	Status	Lab	[mol]	[%]	[%]	[%]	$[\mathrm{keV}]$	$[\sigma]$	[%]	$\left[\frac{\mathrm{mol}\cdot\mathrm{yr}}{yr}\right]$	$\left[\frac{\text{events}}{\text{mol}\cdot\text{yr}}\right]$	$\left[\frac{\text{events}}{\text{yr}}\right]$	[yr]	$[\mathrm{meV}]$
High-purity Ge det	tectors (See	c. VI.B)													
GERDA-II	$^{76}$ Ge	completed	LNGS	$4.5\cdot 10^2$	88	91	79	1.4	-2,2	95	273	$4.2\cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.1\cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.2\cdot 10^{26}$	93-222
MJD	$^{76}$ Ge	completed	SURF	$3.1\cdot 10^2$	91	91	86	1.1	-2,2	95	212	$3.3\cdot10^{-3}$	$7.1\cdot10^{-1}$	$4.7\cdot 10^{25}$	149 - 355
LEGEND-200	$^{76}$ Ge	construction	LNGS	$2.4\cdot 10^3$	91	91	90	1.1	-2,2	95	1684	$1.0\cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.7\cdot10^{-1}$	$1.5\cdot 10^{27}$	27-63
LEGEND-1000	$^{76}$ Ge	proposed		$1.2\cdot 10^4$	92	92	90	1.1	$^{-2,2}$	95	8736	$4.9\cdot 10^{-6}$	$4.3\cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.3\cdot 10^{28}$	9-21
Xenon time project	tion chamb	pers (Sec. VI.C)													
EXO-200	$^{136}$ Xe	completed	WIPP	$1.2\cdot 10^3$	46	100	84	31	-2,2	95	438	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.1\cdot10^{+1}$	$2.4\cdot 10^{25}$	111 - 477
nEXO	$^{136}$ Xe	proposed	SNOLAB	$3.4\cdot 10^4$	64	100	66	20	-2,2	95	13700	$4.0\cdot10^{-5}$	$5.5\cdot10^{-1}$	$7.4\cdot10^{27}$	6-27
NEXT-100	$^{136}$ Xe	construction	LSC	$6.4\cdot 10^2$	88	76	49	10	-1.0, 1.8	80	167	$5.9\cdot10^{-3}$	$9.9\cdot10^{-1}$	$7.0\cdot 10^{25}$	66-281
NEXT-HD	$^{136}$ Xe	proposed		$7.4\cdot 10^3$	95	89	44	7.7	-0.5, 1.7	65	1809	$4.0\cdot10^{-5}$	$7.2\cdot10^{-2}$	$2.2\cdot 10^{27}$	12-50
PandaX-III-200	$^{136}$ Xe	construction	CJPL	$1.3\cdot 10^3$	77	74	65	31	-1.2, 1.2	76	374	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{+0}$	$1.5\cdot 10^{26}$	45-194
LZ-nat	$^{136}$ Xe	construction	SURF	$4.7\cdot 10^3$	14	100	80	25	-1.4, 1.4	84	440	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$7.5 \cdot 10^{+0}$	$7.2\cdot 10^{25}$	64-277
LZ-enr	$^{136}$ Xe	proposed	SURF	$4.6\cdot 10^4$	14	100	80	25	-1.4, 1.4	84	4302	$1.7\cdot 10^{-3}$	$7.3\cdot 10^{+0}$	$7.1\cdot 10^{26}$	20-87
Darwin	$^{136}\mathrm{Xe}$	proposed		$2.7\cdot 10^4$	13	100	90	20	-1.2, 1.2	76	2312	$3.5\cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.0\cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.1\cdot 10^{27}$	17-72
Large liquid scintil	lators (Sec	. VI.D)													
<b>KLZ-400</b>	$^{136}$ Xe	completed	Kamioka	$2.5\cdot 10^3$	44	100	97	114	0, 1.4	42	450	$9.8\cdot10^{-3}$	$4.4 \cdot 10^{+0}$	$3.3\cdot 10^{25}$	95-408
KLZ-800	$^{136}$ Xe	taking data	Kamioka	$5.0\cdot 10^3$	55	100	100	105	0, 1.4	42	1143	$5.5\cdot10^{-3}$	$6.2\cdot10^{+0}$	$2.0\cdot 10^{26}$	38 - 164
KL2Z	$^{136}$ Xe	proposed	Kamioka	$6.7\cdot 10^3$	80	100	97	60	0, 1.4	42	2176	$3.0\cdot10^{-4}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.1\cdot 10^{27}$	17-71
SNO+I	$^{130}\mathrm{Te}$	construction	SNOLAB	$1.0\cdot 10^4$	20	100	97	80	-0.5, 1.5	62	1232	$7.8\cdot10^{-3}$	$9.7\cdot10^{+0}$	$1.8\cdot 10^{26}$	31-144
SNO+II	$^{130}\mathrm{Te}$	proposed	SNOLAB	$5.1\cdot 10^4$	27	100	97	57	-0.5, 1.5	62	8521	$5.7\cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.8\cdot10^{+1}$	$5.7\cdot 10^{26}$	17-81
Cryogenic calorime	eters (Sec.	VI.E)													
CUORE	<sup>130</sup> Te	taking data	LNGS	$1.6\cdot 10^3$	100	88	92	3.2	-1.4, 1.4	84	1088	$9.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$9.9\cdot10^{+1}$	$5.1\cdot 10^{25}$	58-270
CUPID-0	$^{82}$ Se	completed	LNGS	$6.2\cdot 10^1$	100	81	86	8.5	-2,2	95	41	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{+0}$	$4.4\cdot 10^{24}$	283 - 551
CUPID-Mo	$^{100}Mo$	completed	LSM	$2.3 \cdot 10^1$	100	76	91	3.2	-2,2	95	15	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.7\cdot 10^{24}$	293-858
CROSS	$^{100}Mo$	construction	LSC	$4.8\cdot 10^1$	100	75	90	2.1	-2,2	95	31	$2.5\cdot 10^{-4}$	$7.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.9\cdot10^{25}$	54-160
CUPID	$^{100}Mo$	proposed	LNGS	$2.5 \cdot 10^3$	100	79	90	2.1	-2,2	95	1717	$2.3\cdot 10^{-4}$	$4.0 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.1\cdot 10^{27}$	12-34
AMoRE-II	$^{100}Mo$	proposed	Yemilab	$1.1\cdot 10^3$	100	82	91	2.1	-2,2	95	760	$2.2\cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.7\cdot 10^{-1}$	$6.7\cdot 10^{26}$	15-43
Tracking calorimet	ers (Sec.	/I.F)													
NEMO-3	<sup>100</sup> Mo	completed	LSM	$6.9\cdot 10^1$	100	100	11	148	-1.6, 1.1	42	3	$9.4\cdot10^{-1}$	$3.0\cdot 10^{+0}$	$5.6\cdot 10^{23}$	505 - 1485
SuperNEMO-D	$^{82}$ Se	construction	LSM	$8.5\cdot 10^1$	100	100	28	83	-4.2, 2.4	64	15	$3.3\cdot 10^{-2}$	$5.0\cdot 10^{-1}$	$8.6\cdot 10^{24}$	201-391
SuperNEMO	$^{82}$ Se	proposed	LSM	$1.2\cdot 10^3$	100	100	28	72	-4.1, 2.8	54	185	$5.3\cdot10^{-3}$	$9.8 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$7.8\cdot 10^{25}$	67-131

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Experiment	Isotope	Mass	Technique	Present Status	Location
CANDLES-III [124]	<sup>48</sup> Ca	305 kg	<sup>nat</sup> CaF <sub>2</sub> scint. crystals	Operating	Kamioka
CDEX-1 [125]	$^{76}$ Ge	1 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Ge semicond. det.	Prototype	CJPL
CDEX-300 [125]	$^{76}$ Ge	225 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Ge semicond. det.	Construction	CJPL
LEGEND-200 [16]	$^{76}$ Ge	200 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Ge semicond. det.	Commissioning	LNGS
LEGEND-1000 [16]	$^{76}$ Ge	1 ton	<sup>enr</sup> Ge semicond. det.	Proposal	
CUPID-0 [19]	$^{82}$ Se	10 kg	Zn <sup>enr</sup> Se scint. bolometers	Prototype	LNGS
SuperNEMO-Dem [126]	<sup>82</sup> Se	7 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Se foils/tracking	Operation	Modane
SuperNEMO [126]	<sup>82</sup> Se	100 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Se foils/tracking	Proposal	Modane
Selena [127]	$^{82}$ Se		enrSe, CMOS	Development	
IFC [128]	$^{82}$ Se		ion drift $SeF_6$ TPC	Development	
CUPID-Mo [17]	<sup>100</sup> Mo	4 kg	Li <sup>enr</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> ,scint. bolom.	Prototype	LNGS
AMoRE-I [129]	<sup>100</sup> Mo	6 kg	<sup>40</sup> Ca <sup>100</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> bolometers	Operation	YangYang
AMoRE-II [129]	<sup>100</sup> Mo	200 kg	<sup>40</sup> Ca <sup>100</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> bolometers	Construction	Yemilab
CROSS [130]	<sup>100</sup> Mo	5  kg	Li <sub>2</sub> <sup>100</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> , surf. coat bolom.	Prototype	Canfranc
BINGO [131]	$^{100}Mo$		$Li^{enr}MoO_4$	Development	LNGS
CUPID [28]	$^{100}Mo$	450  kg	Li <sup>enr</sup> MoO <sub>4</sub> ,scint. bolom.	Proposal	LNGS
China-Europe [132]	$^{116}Cd$		<sup>enr</sup> CdWO <sub>4</sub> scint. crystals	Development	CJPL
COBRA-XDEM [133]	<sup>116</sup> Cd	0.32 kg	<sup>nat</sup> Cd CZT semicond. det.	Operation	LNGS
Nano-Tracking [134]	<sup>116</sup> Cd		<sup>nat</sup> CdTe. det.	Development	
TIN.TIN [135]	$^{124}$ Sn		Tin bolometers	Development	INO
CUORE [10]	$^{130}{ m Te}$	1 ton	TeO <sub>2</sub> bolometers	Operating	LNGS
SNO+[136]	<sup>130</sup> Te	3.9 t	0.5-3% <sup>nat</sup> Te loaded liq. scint.	Commissioning	SNOLab
nEXO [29]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	5 t	Liq. <sup>enr</sup> Xe TPC/scint.	Proposal	
NEXT-100 [137]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	100 kg	gas TPC	Construction	Canfranc
NEXT-HD [137]	$^{136}$ Xe	1 ton	gas TPC	Proposal	Canfranc
AXEL [138]	$^{136}$ Xe		gas TPC	Prototype	
KamLAND-Zen-800 [13]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	745 kg	<sup>enr</sup> Xe disolved in liq. scint.	Operating	Kamioka
KamLAND2-Zen [41]	<sup>136</sup> Xe		<sup>enr</sup> Xe disolved in liq. scint.	Development	Kamioka
LZ [139]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	600 kg	Dual phase Xe TPC, nat./enr. Xe	Operation	SURF
PandaX-4T [119]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	3.7 ton	Dual phase nat. Xe TPC	Operation	CJPL
XENONnT [140]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	5.9 ton	Dual phase Xe TPC	Operating	LNGS
DARWIN [141]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	50  ton	Dual phase Xe TPC	Proposal	LNGS
R2D2 [142]	<sup>136</sup> Xe		Spherical Xe TPC	Development	
LAr TPC [143]	<sup>136</sup> Xe	kton	Xe-doped LR TPC	Development	
NuDot [144]	Various		Cherenkov and scint. in liq. scint.	Development	
Theia [145]	Xe or Te		Cherenkov and scint. in liq. scint.	Development	
JUNO [146]	Xe or Te		Doped liq. scint.	Development	
Slow-Fluor [147]	Xe or Te		Slow Fluor Scint.	Development	

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### Experimental design criteria for $0\nu\beta\beta$

Direct searches: kinematic parameters of the two electrons

 $\rightarrow$  Total energy and individual electron paths

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = \ln 2 \frac{N_A}{W} \left( \frac{a \cdot \epsilon \cdot M}{N_{\text{obs}}} \right) t \quad \propto \begin{cases} a \epsilon \cdot M t \\ a \epsilon \sqrt{\frac{M t}{N_{\text{bkg}} \cdot \Delta E}} \end{cases}$$

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ΔE

N<sub>bkg</sub>

Detector and isotope choice depending on:

- High isotopic abundance a
- Deployment in large quantity
- High-resolution detector
- Low-background conditions

