

Low energy radioactivity BG model in Super-Kamiokande detector from SK-IV data

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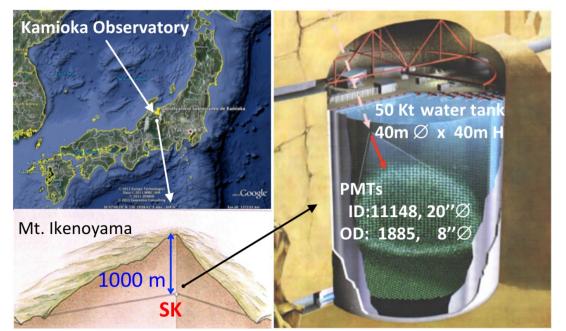
Super-Kamiokande and the Radon BG

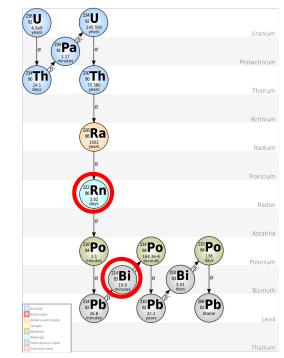
Super-Kamiokande:

- Succesful neutrino experiment located in Kamioka-cho (Japan) under Ikenoyama.
- $^{\triangleright}$ 50 ktons water Cerenkov detector
- Neutrino analysis from the MeV scale (solar neutrino, supernova relic neutrinos, etc.) to TeV (atmospheric neutrinos).

Radon: radioactive gas dissolved in water

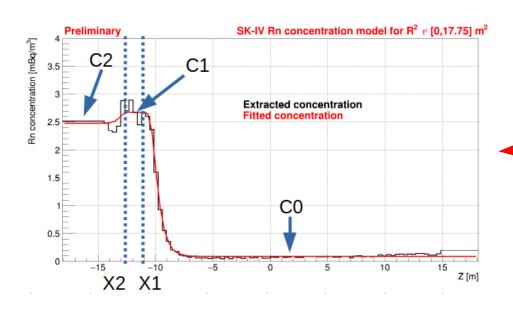
- Dominant BG for E<5 MeV due to ²¹⁴Bi decays (Q-value 3.27 MeV)
- In SK: Rn concentration is monitored at fixed positions. Rn injection were performed to determine the Rn impact on data.
- ▷ The exact distribution of Rn in the detector is not well known \rightarrow Need a Rn model

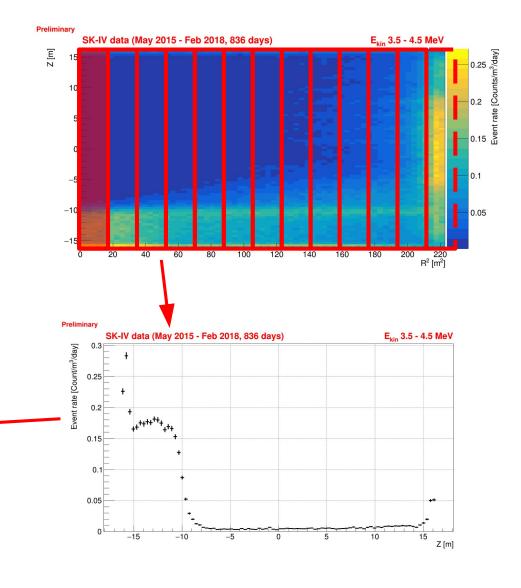




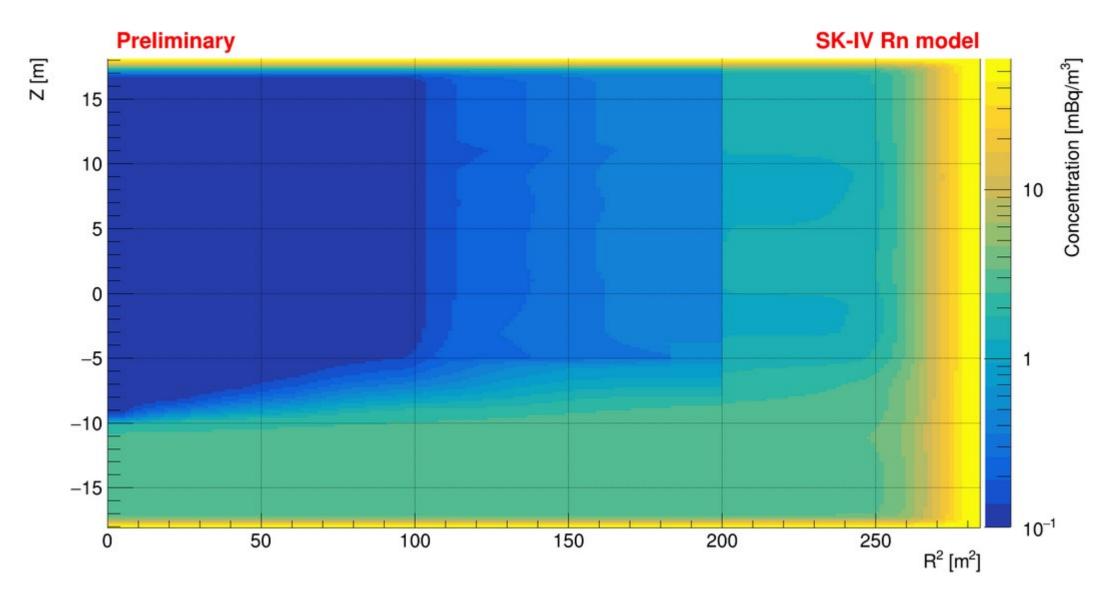
Construction of a Radon model

- In order to construct a model of the Rn concentration, we used SK-IV solar data and MC simulation of the ²¹⁴Bi decays:
 - We extract and model the Rn concentration as 1D distribution in multiple layers of the detector
 - The final model is then build by interpolating each 1D distribution





Rn model



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