Twenty-inch PMT development for Hyper-Kamiokande

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## History of 20-inch PMTs for large water Cherenkov detectors





for Kamiokande (1983 – 1996)

Awarded IEEE milestone (2014)



for Super-K (1996-)



**R12860-HQE** 





(Box&Line dynode)

#### for Hyper-Kamiokande



Other candidates: (Hybrid-PMT, MCP-PMT)

- Above 30 years continuous experiments with Water Cherenkov detectors in Kamioka.
- Many experiences, established methods.
- Photo-multiplier tubes (PMTs) are the key of large water C detectors.
- New step: Hyper-Kamiokande.



# Hyper-Kamiokande



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### **Broad Science targets:**

- Comprehensive study of neutrino oscillation
  - CP violation
  - Mass hierarchy
  - Precise measurement of parameters ( $\theta_{23}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{32}$ ,..)
  - Non-standard v oscillation.
- Astrophysics (Supernova, solar)
- Study of Grand Unified Theories

### A few MeV to over 100GeV interactions.

- Next generation huge water C detector
  - H60m  $\times$   $\phi$ 74m water vol., 186kton fid.vol.
- 40% Photo-coverage with newly developed High QE PMTs.
  - About twice of QE than R3600 (Super-K).
  - Better resolutions on timing and charge





# Status of development of Photo-sensor for HK

- About 150 of R12860 were manufactured for Super-K refurbishment.
  - All were screened by high pressure test up to 0.95 MPa.
  - Good responses were confirmed in Kamioka laboratory (next page).
  - No rejected PMTs over 30kHz in short stabilization (half a few days)
- We installed them in Super-K this summer, and will evaluate performance inclusively in water Cherenkov detector.
- R&D for reducing dark rate with optimizing design / production.



#### Kamioka underground laboratory, Mar. to June, 2018,



## Quality measurement of ~150 PMTs (R12860-HQE)

### Example of an evaluation





Ready for mass production with a good quality control.

## Why PMT cover is needed for huge liquid detector

- A crash of a big PMT in deep liquid (water) generates a rash of inflow and their collisions. It generates shock wave.
- Shock wave crashes next PMTs, and new shock wave is formed. → Chain implosions.

Prevention of the chain implosion is necessary for big liquid detector.

- Relax water rush to vacuum & reduce the shockwave.
- Protect from shockwaves.

→ PMT cover to prevent chain implosion.



next-PMT

Rush of waters to vacuum & collision

shockwaves

### History

- First cover was development for Super-Kamiokande in 2003.
- Relevant for 40m depth.

Fiber reinforced plastic (FRP) ~6kg



UV-transparent acrylic window (13mm thickness), ~7kg , n ~ 1.5.

## PMT cover development for Hyper-Kamiokande



Should be secured at deeper depth (60m). Other important issues:

- Effect on water quality (material emanation)
- Radio activity, contamination, chemical luminescence, etc.
- Connection method is one important issue.

PMT cover also determines the performance of photo-detector. (aperture, dark hit rate). Should be well considered. By 2016 Establish a prototype for Hyper-K. Reinforc ing ring 3mm thickness, Single reinforcing ring

### 2017 to 2018

Improvement of the design

- Lighter weight
- Reducing production cost

### Alternative designs

- Different material (Resin)
- Different shape and/or production method

Hydrostatic test and actual test of prevention of chain-implosion was carried out.

## Chain implosion test in deep water (Mar. 2016 & Mar. 2018)



- Place a PMT bulb with cover surrounding a bare bulbs.
- Place it on deep water (80m is a target for HK), and crash bulbs with a 'Pusher' remotely.
- Test the effect to neighboring bulbs.
- Also record pressures, strains, and high-speed visual data.

Piston driven by chemical reaction

# Result of chain-implosion test (Mar. 2018)





For bare PMT, about 6M Pa shockwave. Cover reduces shock wave down to O(1/100)



noise of recorder.

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Strain gauge



- Succeeded to prevent chain implosion three times consecutively at 80m depth.
- We decide it is OK for Hyper-K.
- Shockwave reduced down to O(1/100).
- We found cracks on acrylic flange around connection part to main frame. Improvement of fixing method is on-going.

# High speed camera (80m depth)

#### Tapes on glass (white)





- Commercially available digital camera (Sony RX100)
   + handmade trigger system. Key was lighting.
- We clearly see the steps of the implosion processes.
- Implosion pattern, speed depends on the cover. Water inflow to PMT is a key of the phenomena.
- Will give us useful information for next R&D.

## Alternative cover design (1) :Resin-made cover



	PPS + 30% CF			
<ul> <li>Physics spec.</li> <li>Density 1.46g / cm<sup>3</sup> (SUS 30)</li> </ul>	$4.7.9 g/cm^3$		U-chain [Bq/cover]	<0.27
<ul> <li>water absorption 0.02% @ T=23 deg.</li> <li>Mechanical spec.</li> </ul>			UpperU [Bq/cover]	<3.42
			Th-chain [Bq/cover]	<0.22
• Tensile strength: 236MPa			60Co [Bq/cover]	<0.06
• Bending strength: 342MPa			40K [Bq/cover]	<2.34
Compression strength: 294 I	MPa		No visible rad	ioactivity



- Monolithic resin-made cover + FRP window.
- Poly-phenylene Sulfied (PPS) + 30% carbon fiber (CF).
  - Thickness ~5mm, <u>about 6kg.</u>
  - RI contamination, emanation to pure water is important issue.
- Injection molding is employed for PPS cover.

- Passed single trial at 40m water depth, but failed at 60m.
- Improvement of design / material selection are on-going

## Alternative cover design (2) : Tube-like cover





- 2.5mm thickness stainless steel tube + 3mm thickness endcap by stamping molding.
- 10mm thick flange.
- 15mm acrylic window.

- Spanish colleague's contribution.
- Simple structure. Cheaper production cost is expected.
- Able to disassemble. Easy to transport. Cheap shipping cost.
- Rather heavy, about 31kg.
- One trial at 60m, and succeeded.

Gauge at 50cm from cover front 0.02 (MPa) 0.015 0.01 0.005 0 <sup>2</sup>rresure -0.005 -0.01 -0.015 -0.02 -0.025 0 0.2 0.6 0.8 1.2 1.4 1.6 Time(sec)

- About 1/5 of shockwave than other cover.
- Slow water filling, due to small aperture.

# Installation of Hyper-K PMTs / covers in Super-K

- About 140 of R12860 are installed in Super-K instead of R3600.
- We also installed Hyper-K covers: Eight of stainless steel cover, two of PPS resin-made cover.
- It will give inclusive evaluation of Hyper-K photodetector system.

View of Super-K top from back side



Fixing structure to the tank is modified for Super-K.

# Summary

- New PMT (R12860), 20-inch High QE PMT, was developed.
  - Full photon detection method is established.
  - Good prospect for mass production.
- PMT cover has been developed for Hyper-K.
  - Works to prevent chain implosion at 80m depth.
  - Improvement / alternative design is on-going.
  - Connection between cover-PMT or cover-HK structure is important issue. It is under study.
  - Plan to decide the design the cover in next couple of years.
- HK PMT + covers were installed in Super-Kamiokande.
  - Will give us a inclusive evaluation of the photon detection system.