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Outline

1.- What we know from neutrino experiments:

- * neutrino masses
- * neutrino mixing matrix

2.-Explaining the information we have:

- * neutrino mass models
- * the flavor problem
- * neutrino anomalies: sterile neutrino, NSI

3.- Open questions in neutrino physics.

PART 1

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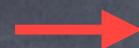


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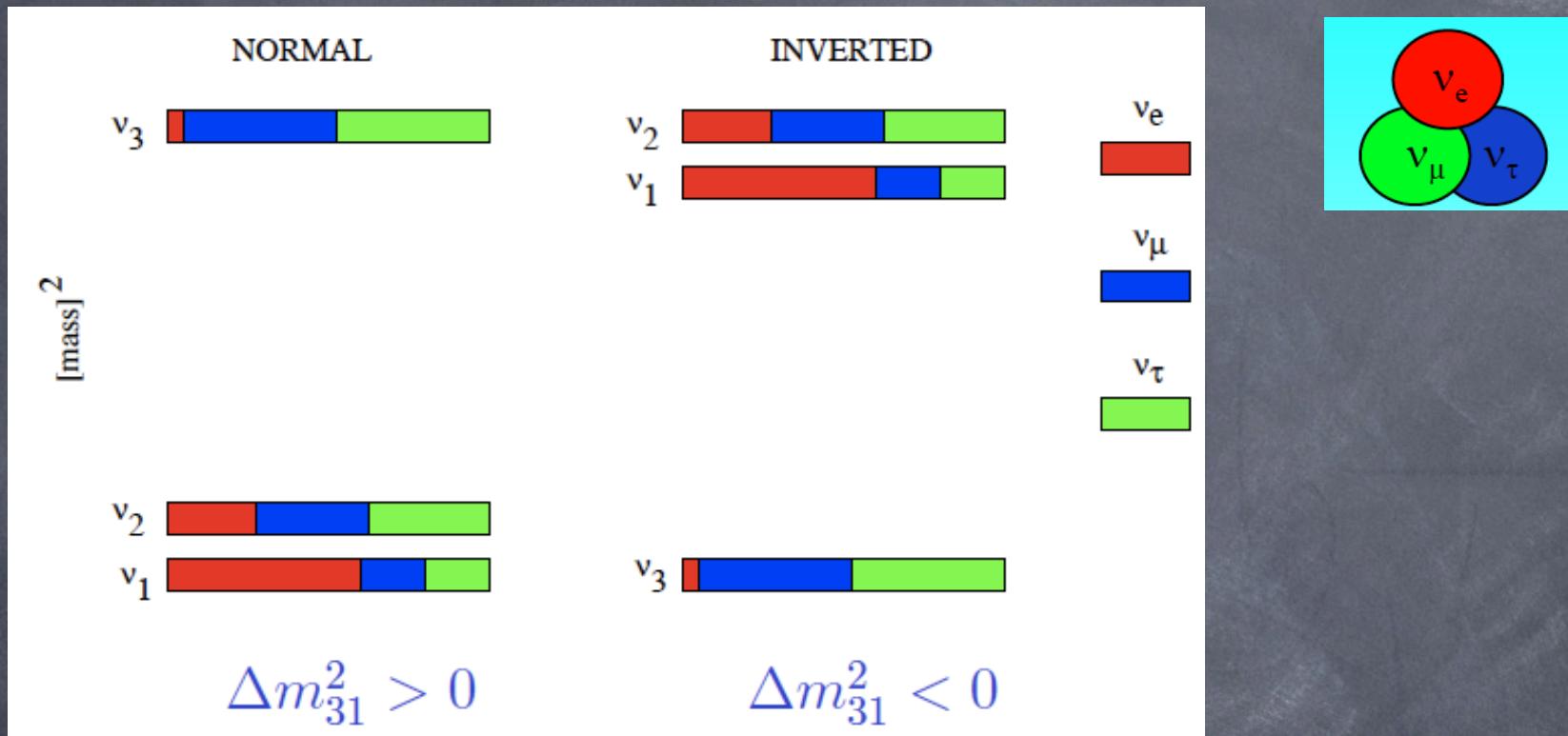
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There are two possible mass orderings:



- * Neutrino oscillations are sensitive only to Δm^2_{ij}
 - Δm^2_{31} : atmospheric + long-baseline
 - Δm^2_{21} : solar + KamLAND
- * absolute scale m_ν : laboratory measurements + cosmology

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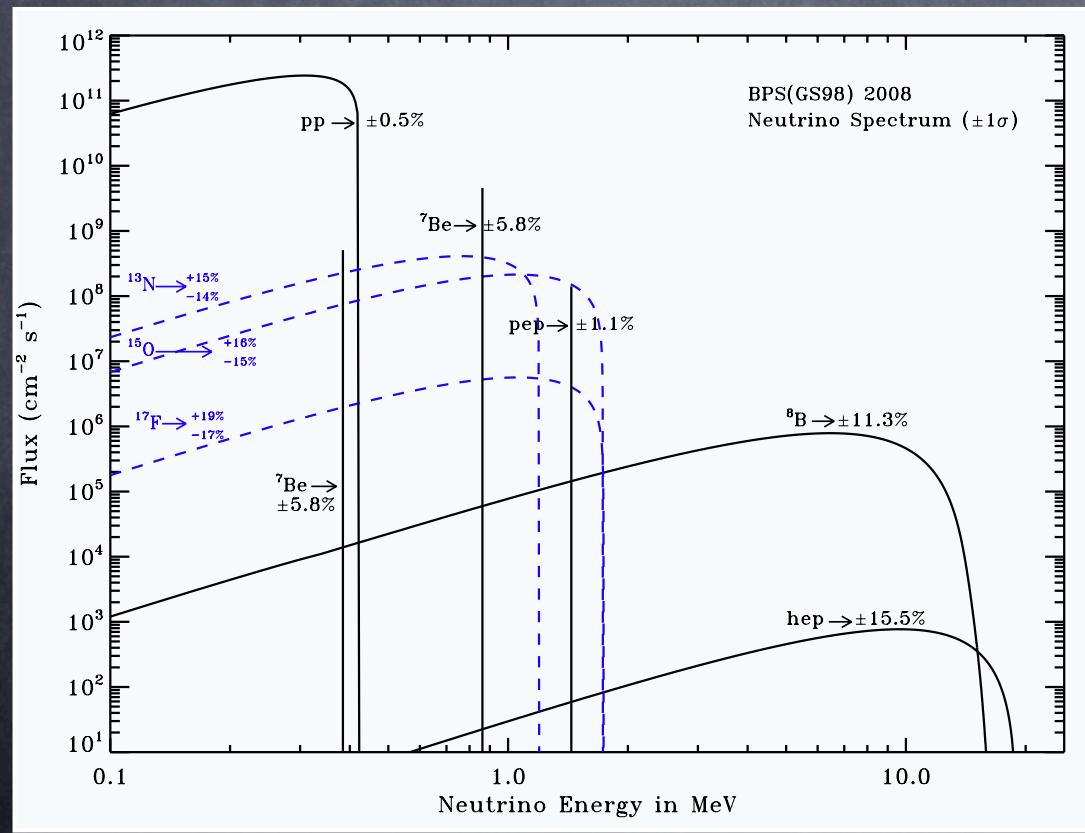
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* produced in nuclear reactions in the core of the Sun:

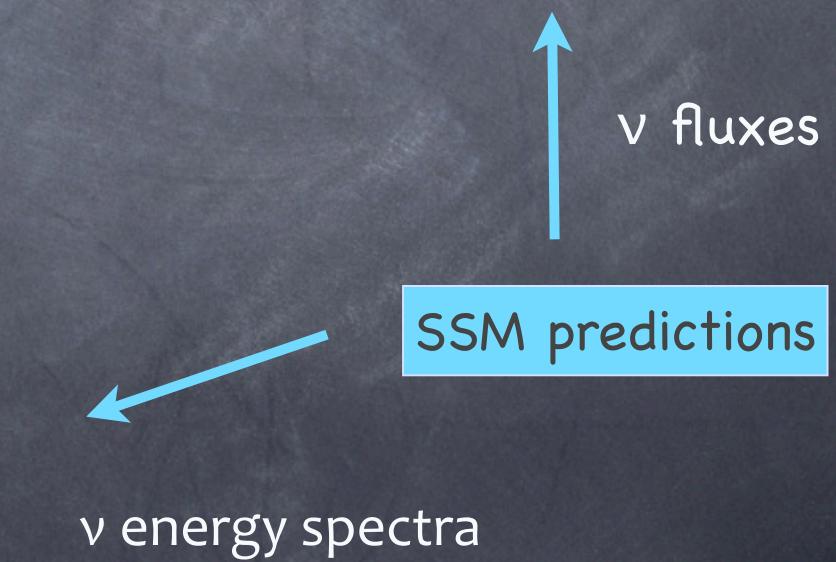


pp cycle

CNO



Reaction	source	Flux ($\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)
$p p \rightarrow d e^+ \nu$	pp	$5.97(1 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{10}$
$p e^- p \rightarrow d \nu$	pep	$1.41(1 \pm 0.011) \times 10^8$
${}^3\text{He} p \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} e^+ \nu$	hep	$7.90(1 \pm 0.15) \times 10^3$
${}^7\text{Be} e^- \rightarrow {}^7\text{Li} \nu \gamma$	${}^7\text{Be}$	$5.07(1 \pm 0.06) \times 10^9$
${}^8\text{B} \rightarrow {}^8\text{Be}^* e^+ \nu$	${}^8\text{B}$	$5.94(1 \pm 0.11) \times 10^6$
${}^{13}\text{N} \rightarrow {}^{13}\text{C} e^+ \nu$	${}^{13}\text{N}$	$2.88(1 \pm 0.15) \times 10^8$
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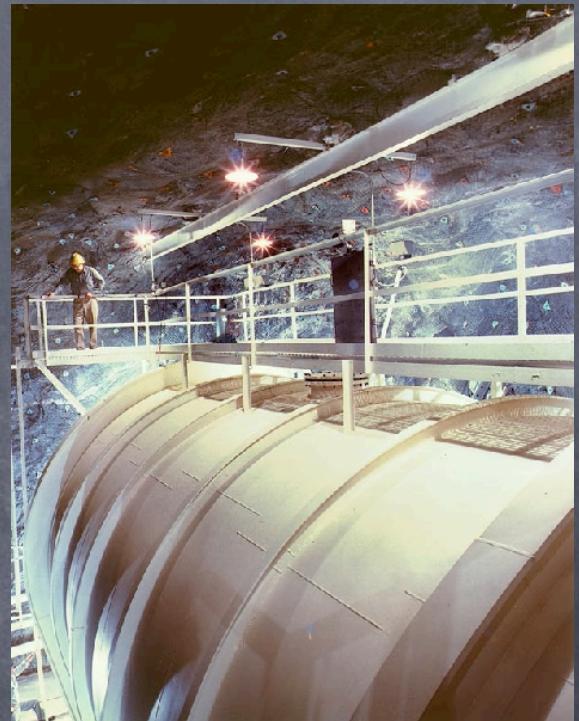
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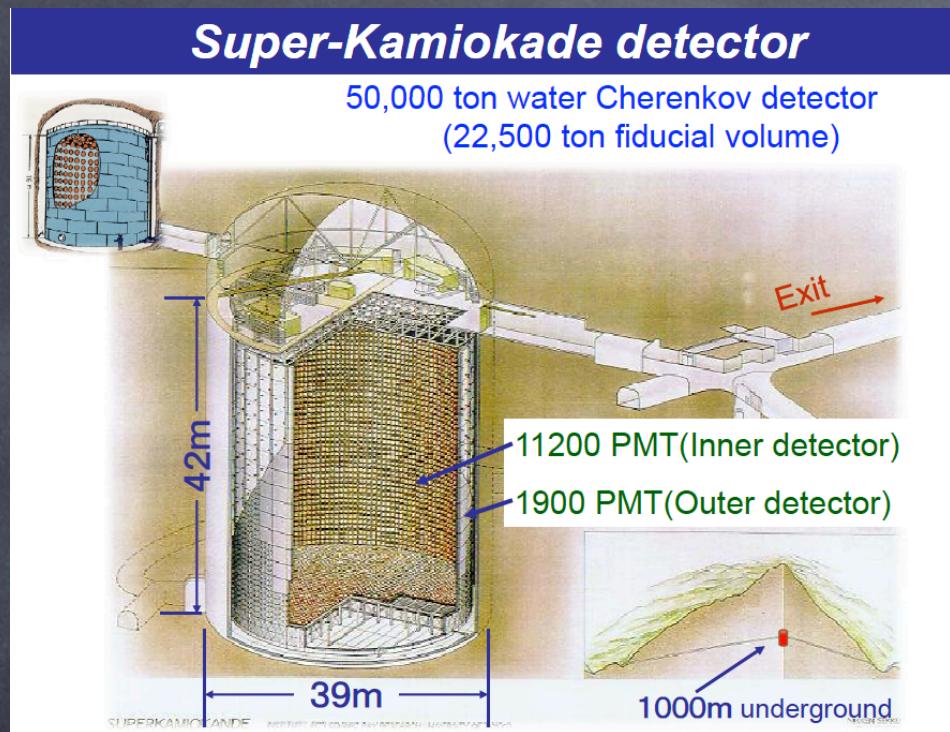
► Gallium experiments (GALLEX/GNO, SAGE):

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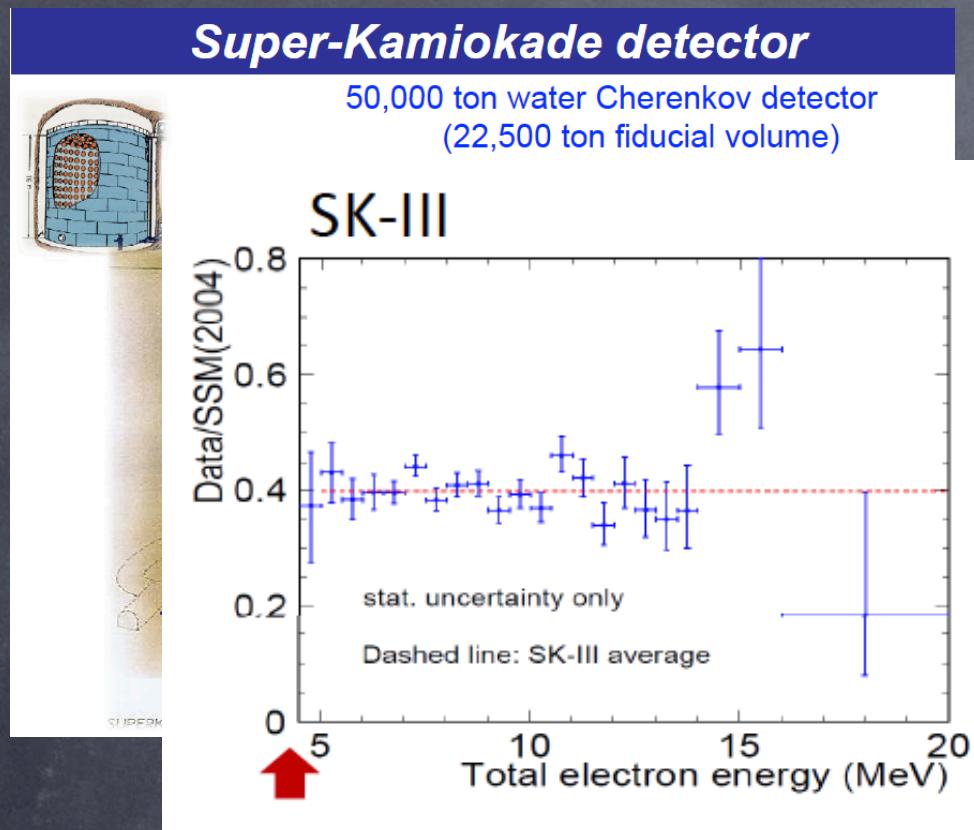
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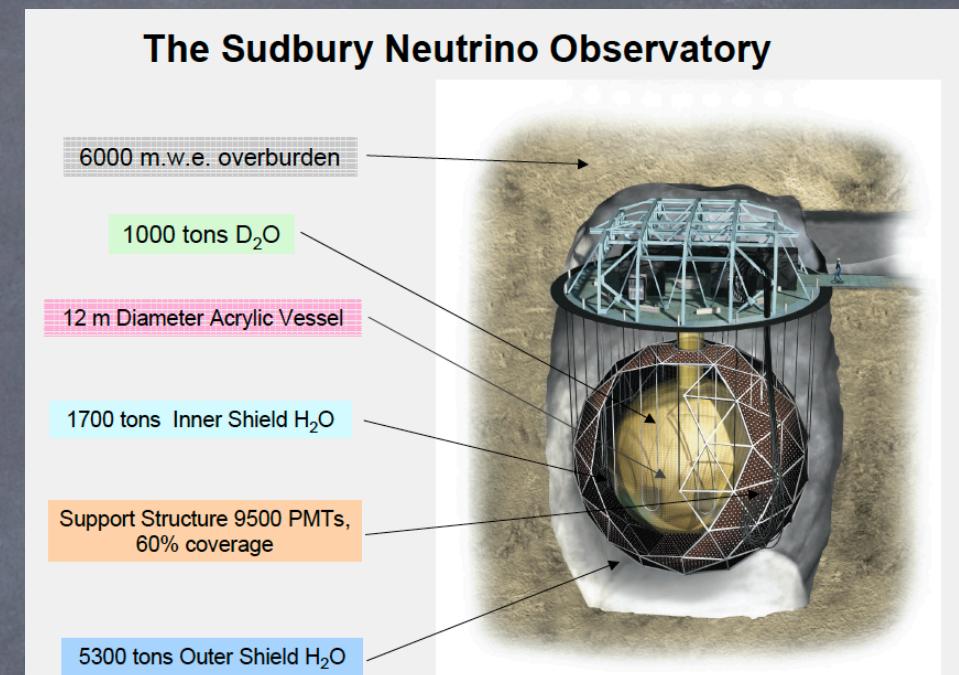
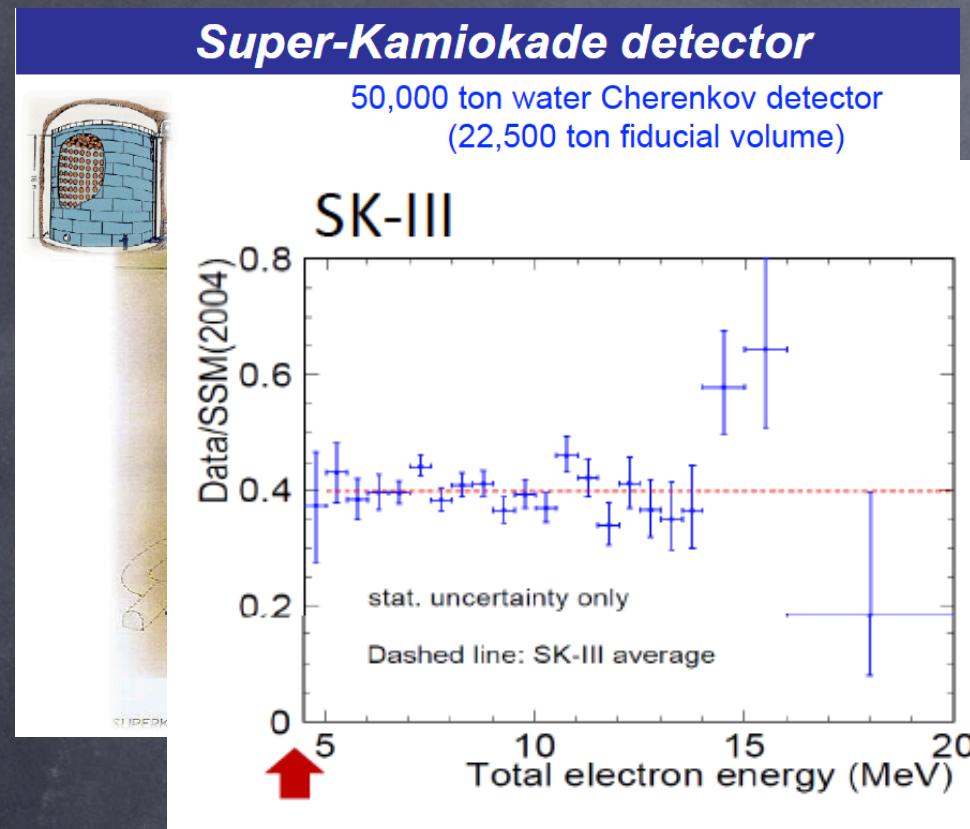


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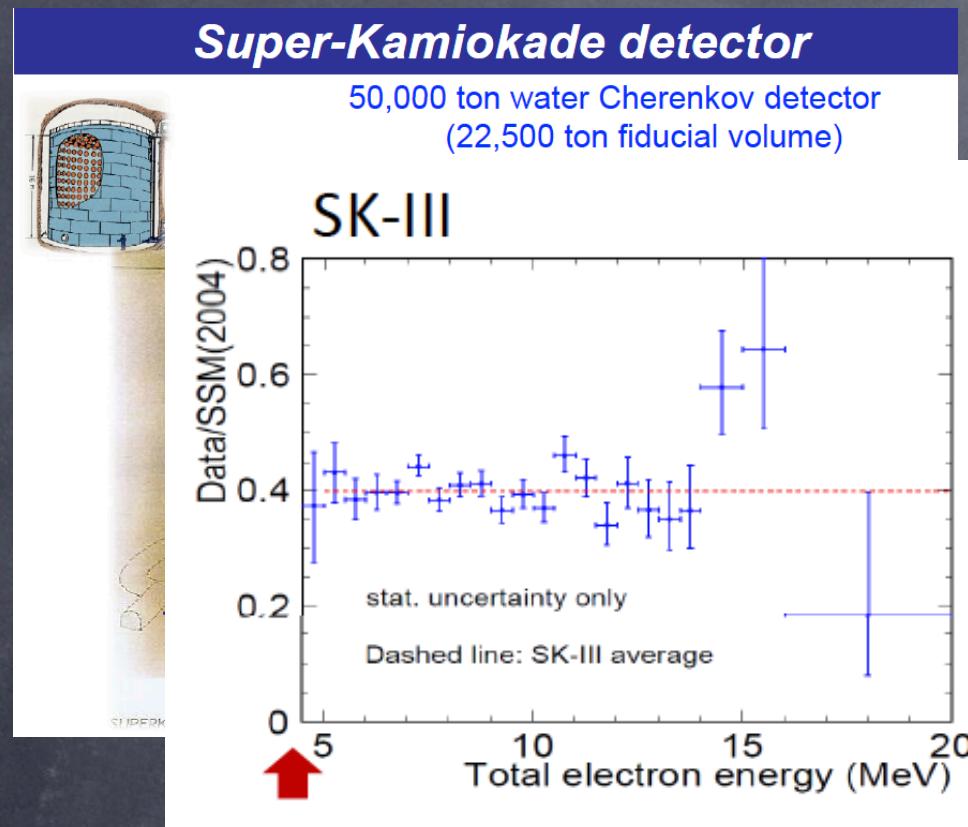


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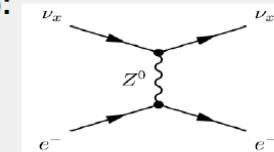


The Sudbury Neutrino Observatory

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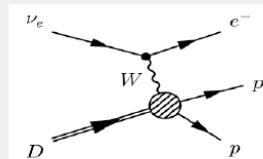
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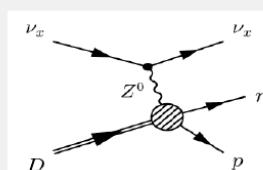
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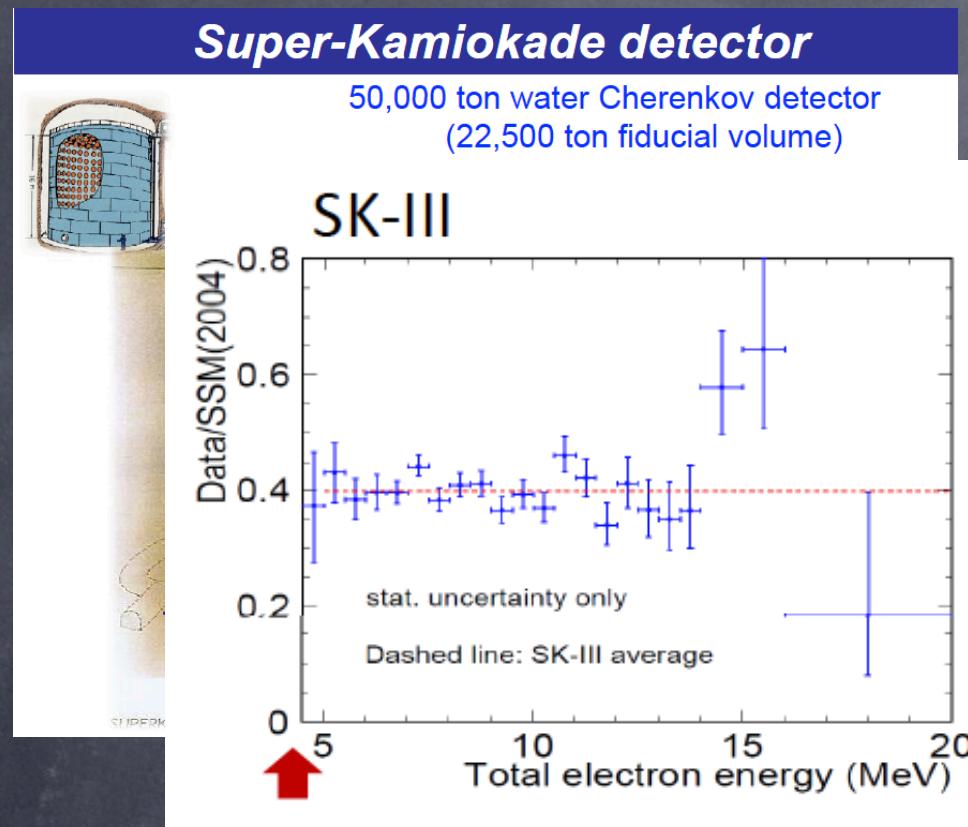
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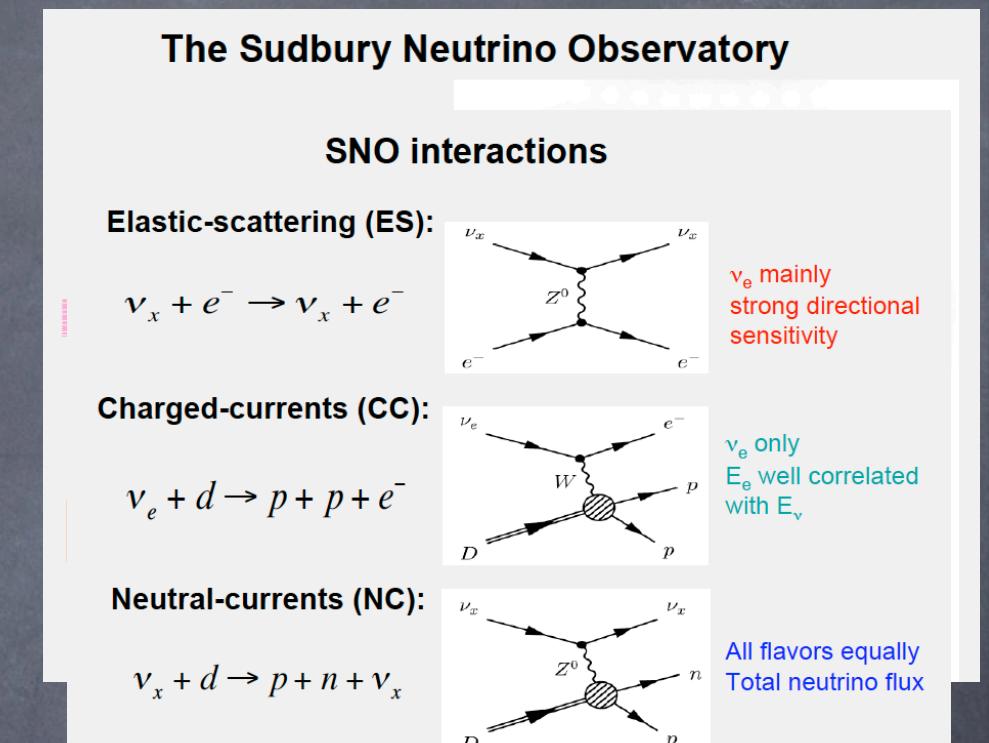
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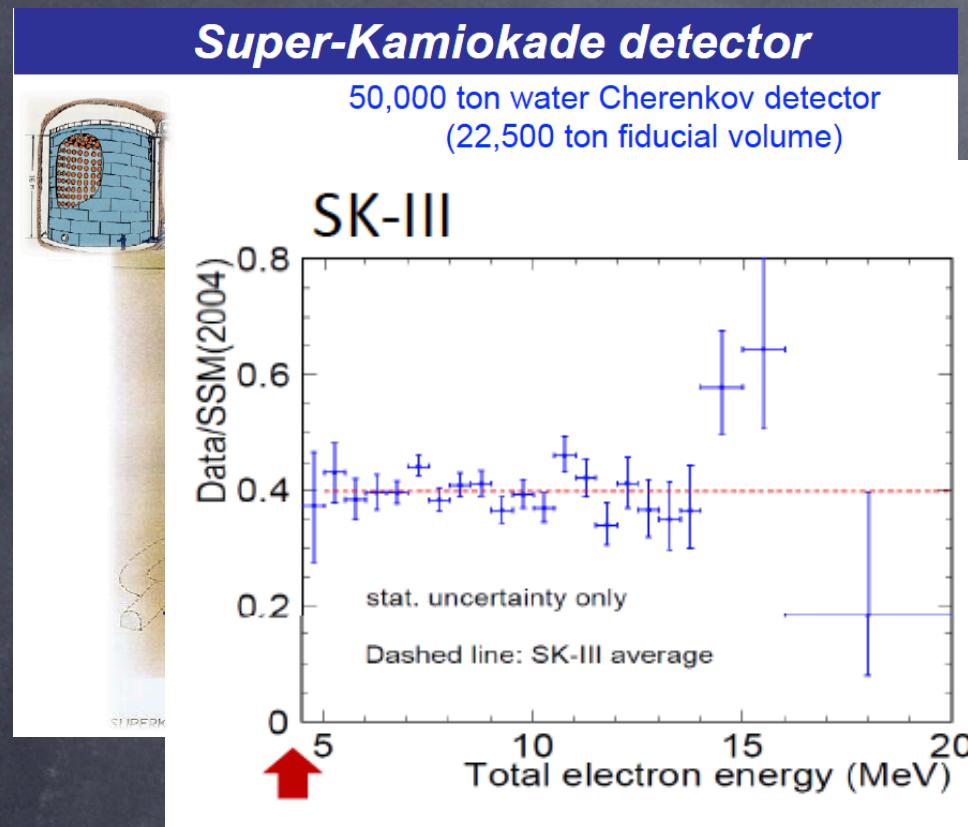
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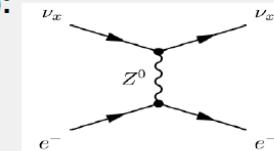
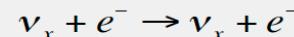


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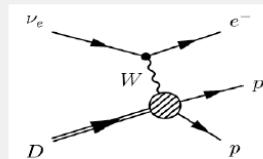
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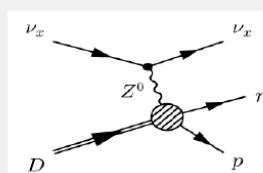
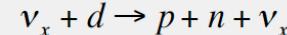
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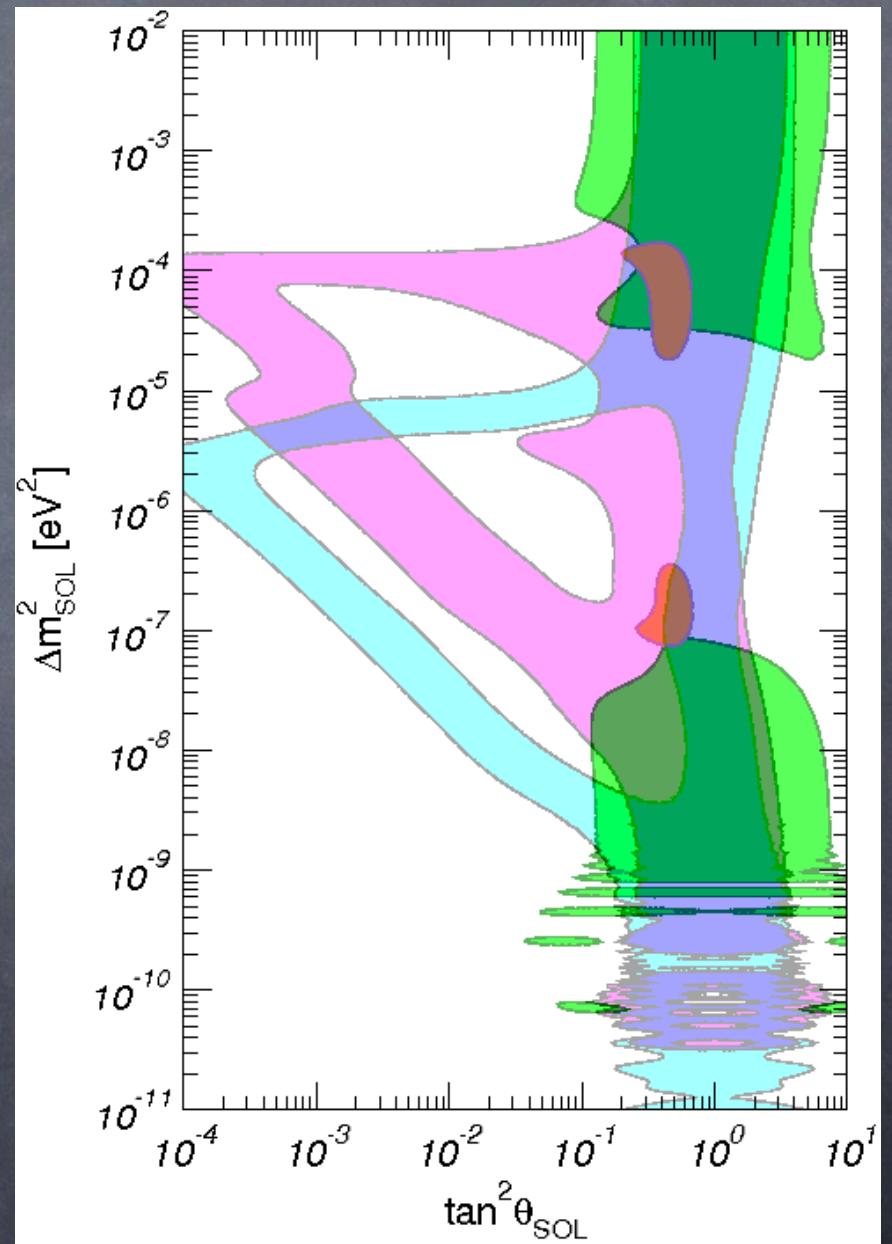
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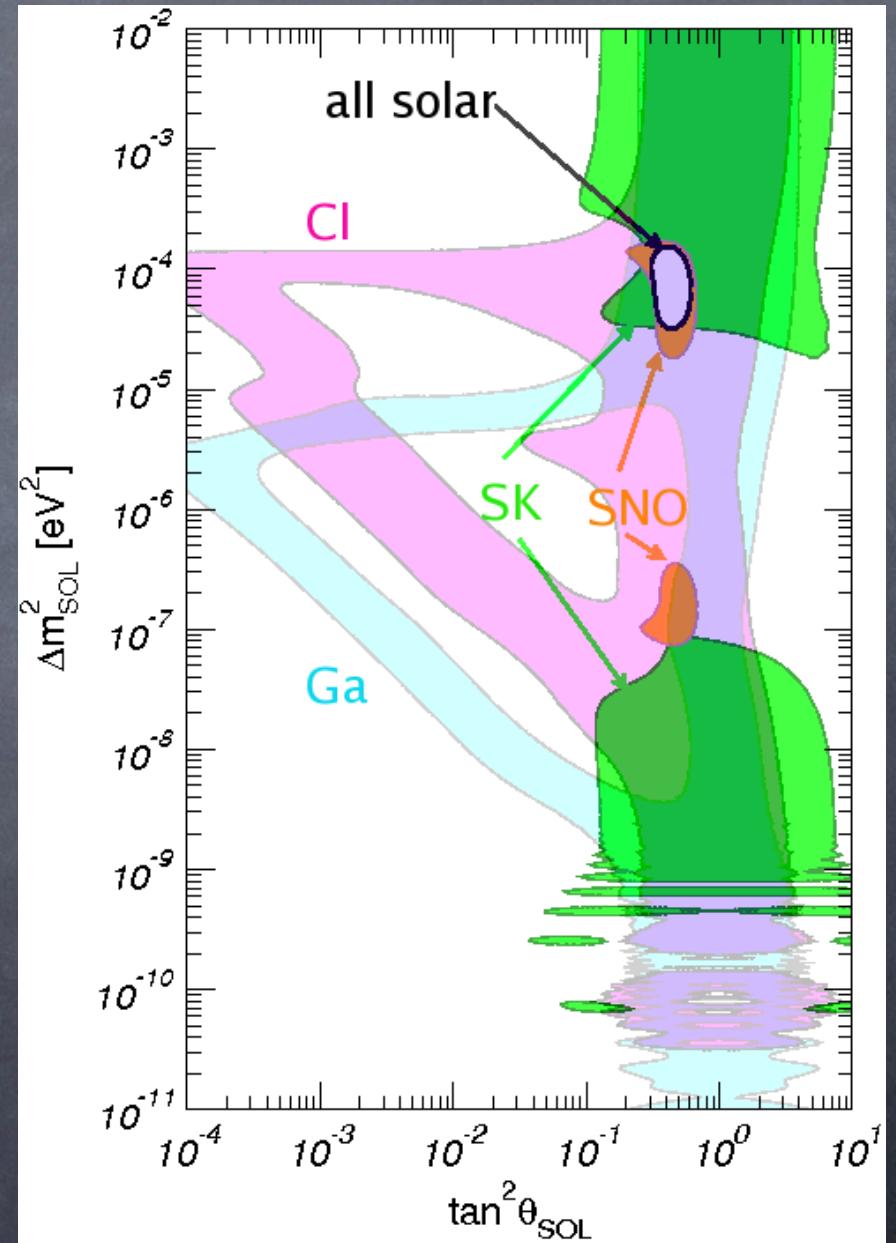
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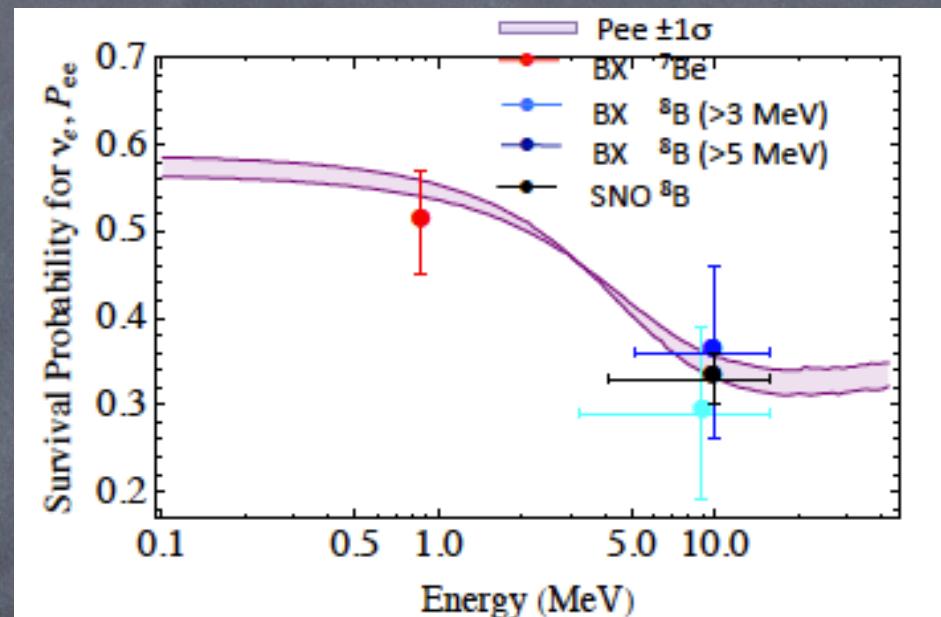
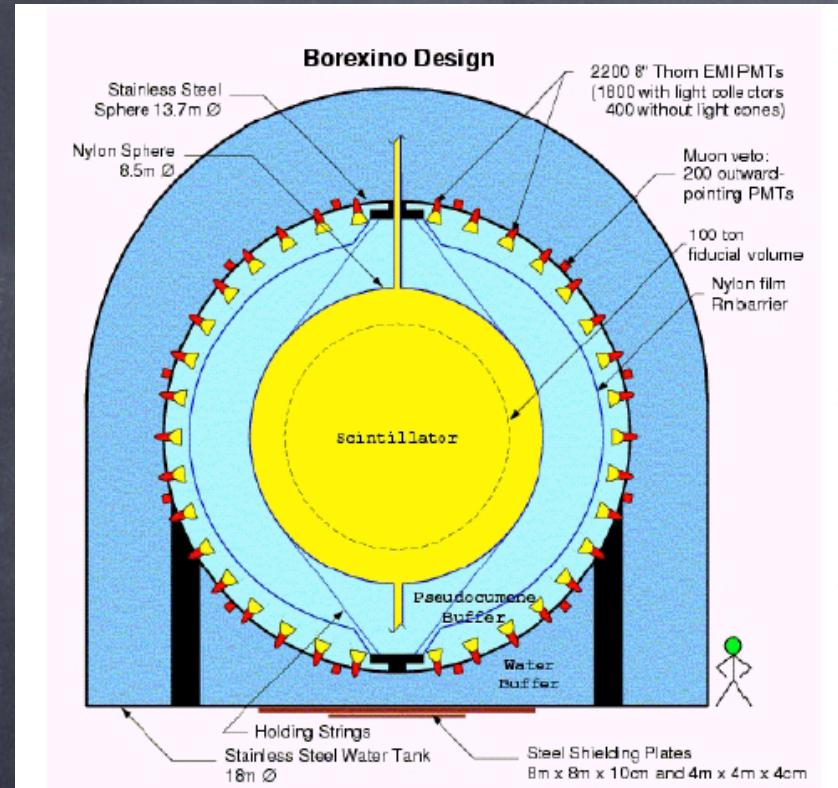
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Borexino: detection of low energy solar neutrinos



- 300 ton. liquid scintillator
 - first real-time measurement of ${}^7\text{Be}$ neutrinos (< 5% error)
 - first real-time measurement of ${}^8\text{B}$ flux below 4 MeV
- consistent with LMA parameters

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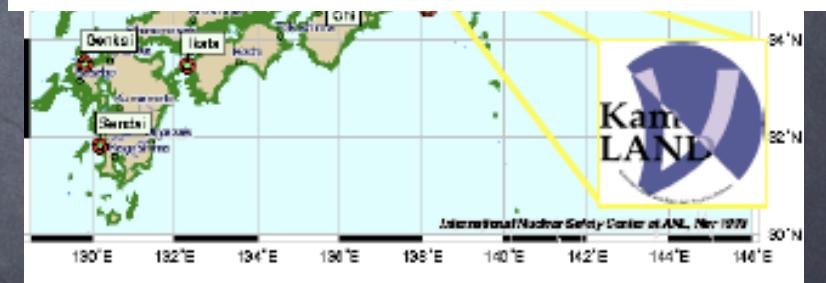
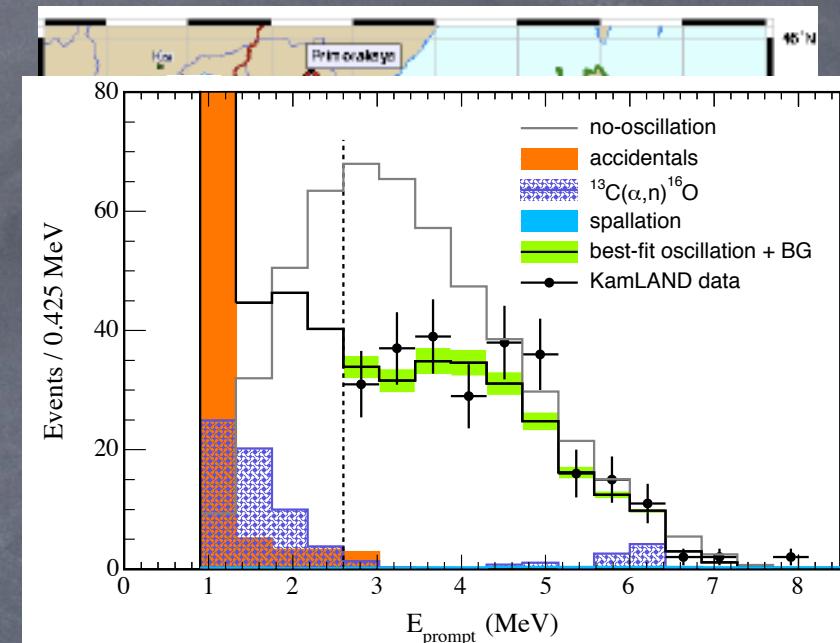
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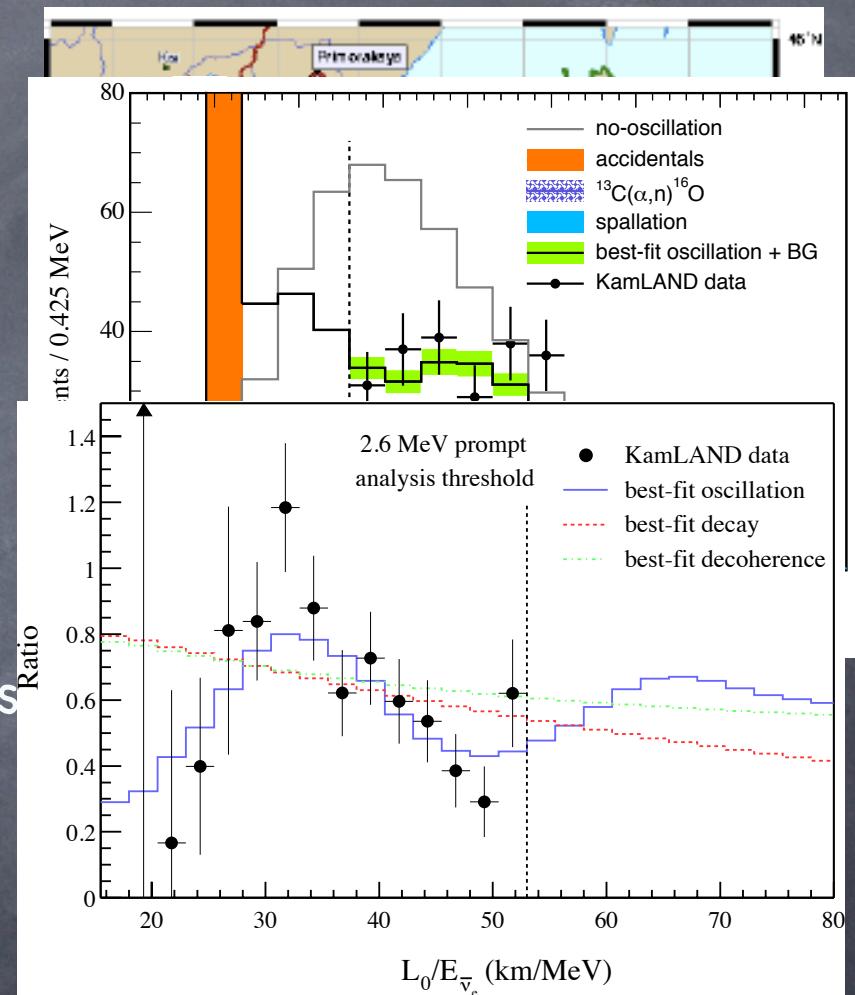
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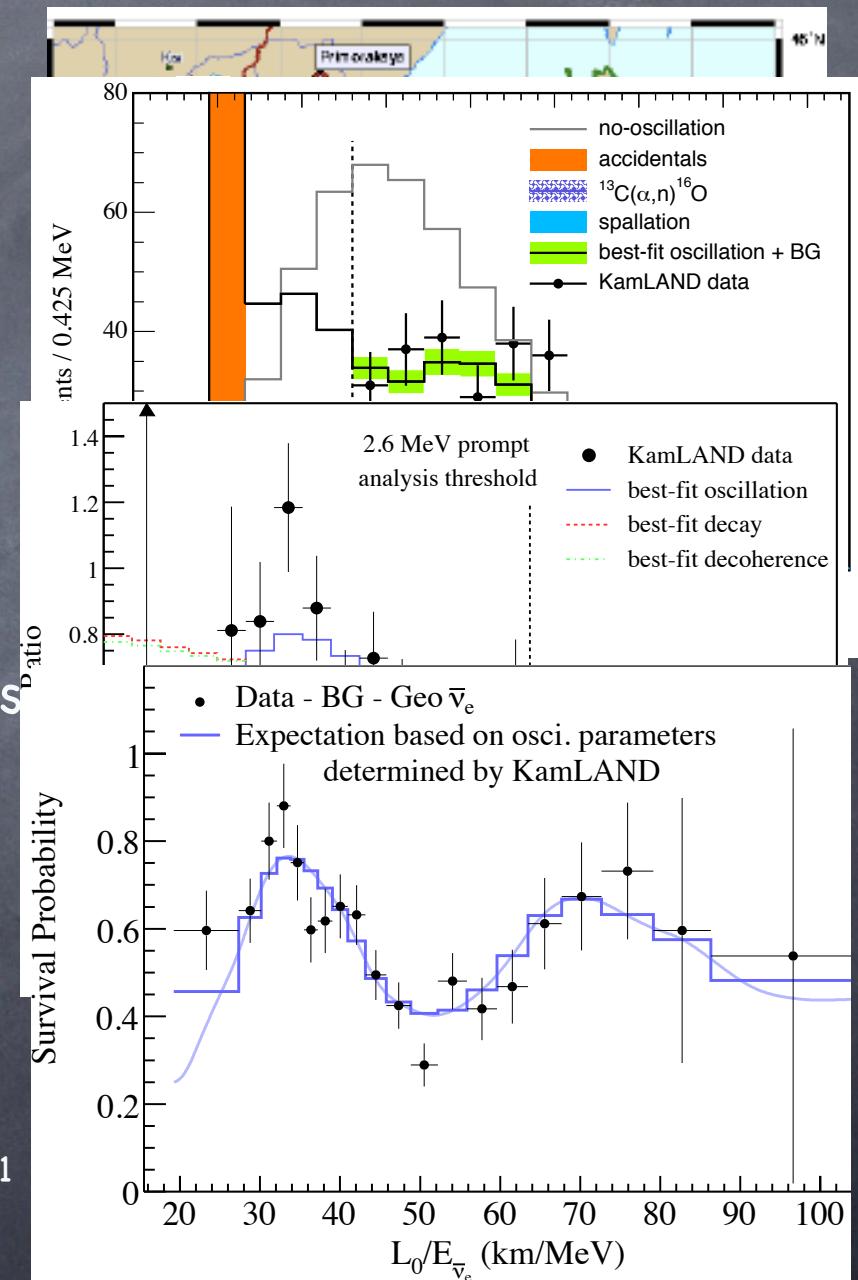
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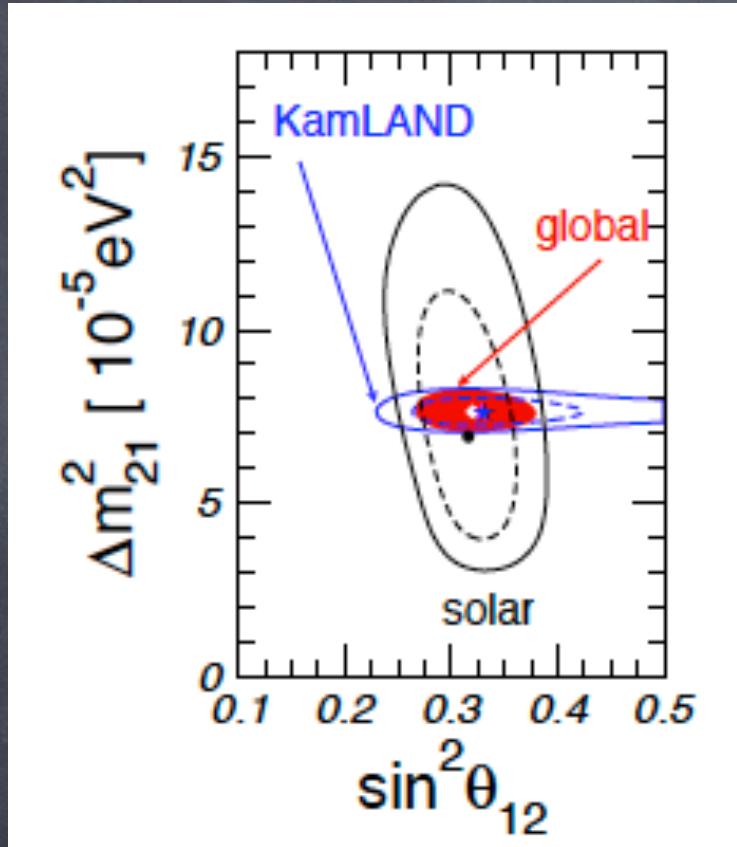
2008: 1-period oscillations observed

→ high precision determination Δm^2_{21}

KamLAND Coll, PRL 100 (2008) 221803



Combined analysis solar + KamLAND data



- * KamLAND confirms LMA
- * Best fit point:
 $\sin^2\theta_{12} = 0.320^{+0.015}_{-0.017}$
 $\Delta m^2_{21} = 7.62 \pm 0.19 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$
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Forero, M.T., Valle, arXiv:1205.4018 [hep-ph]

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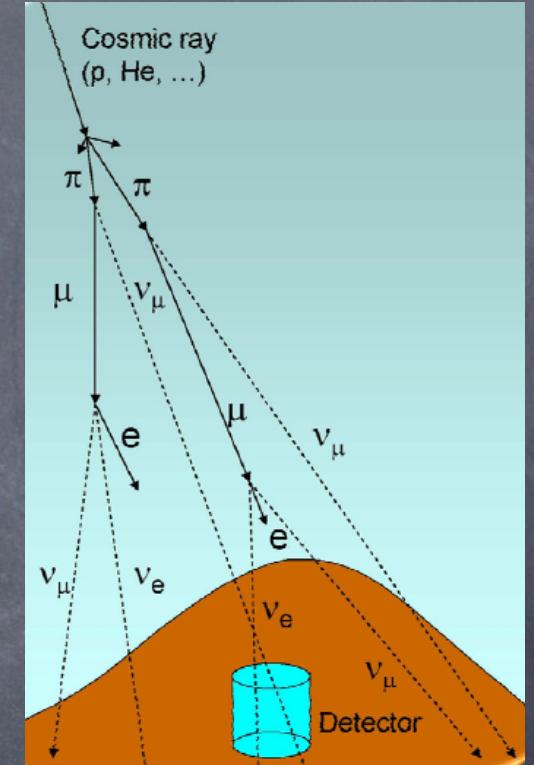
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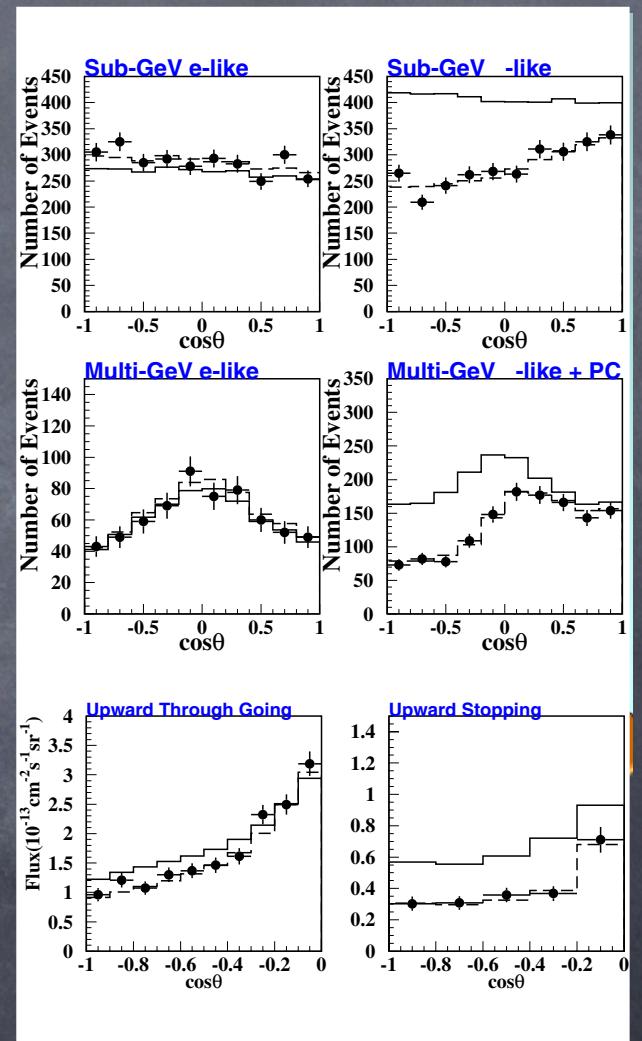
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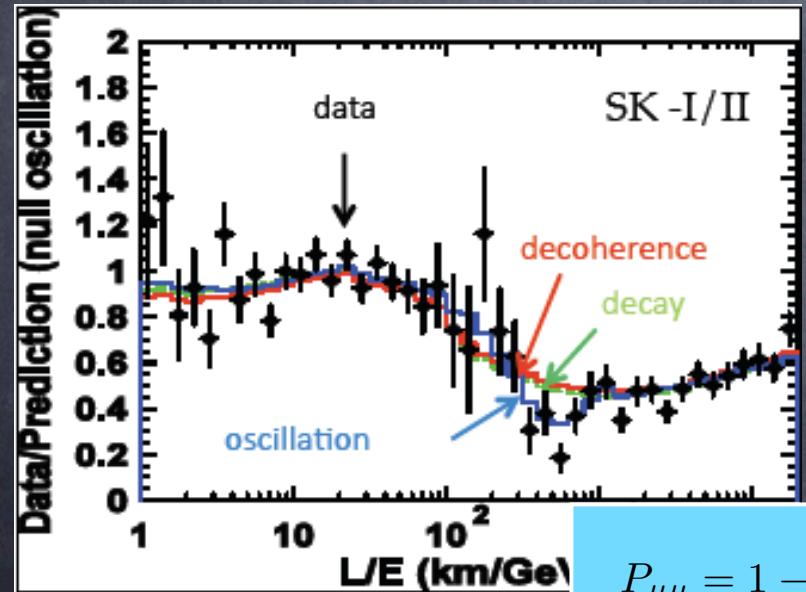
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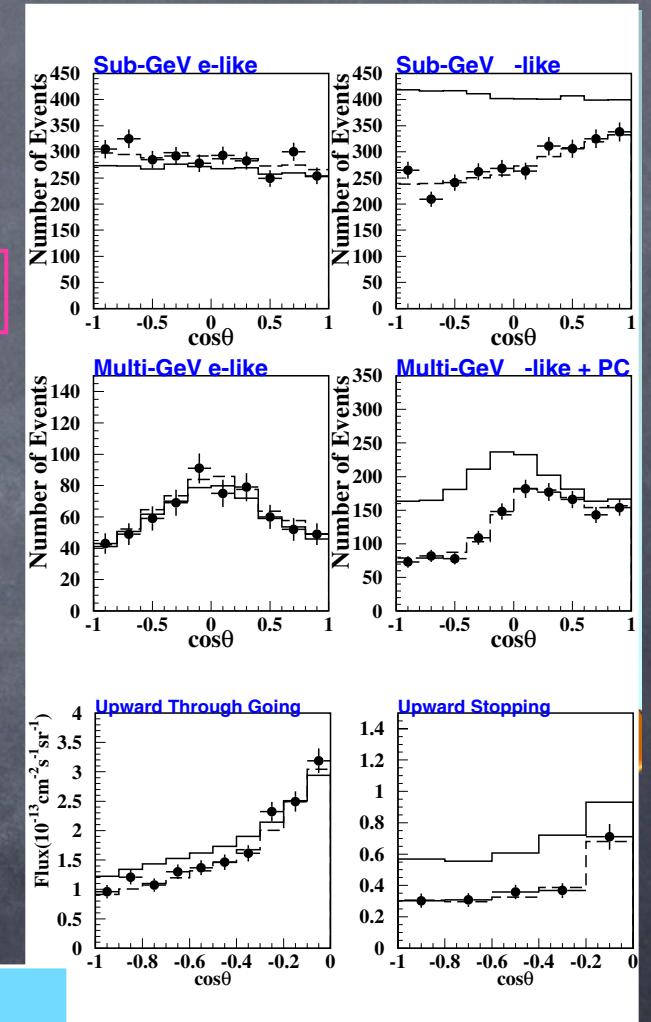
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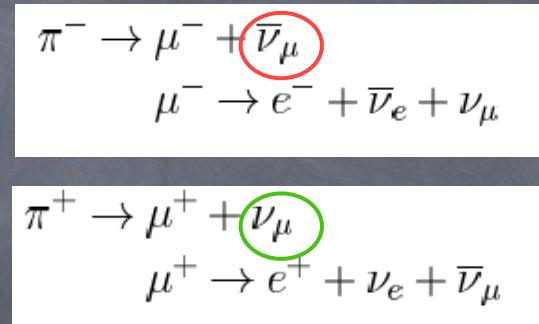
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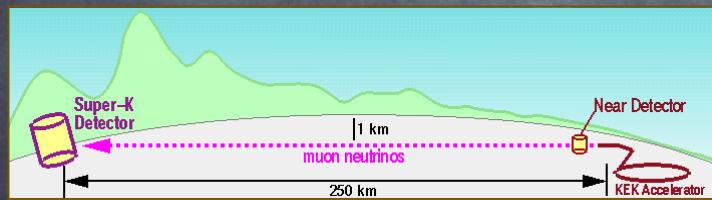
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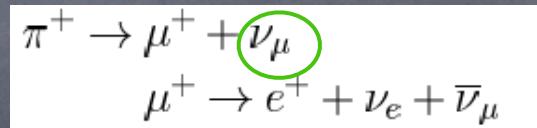
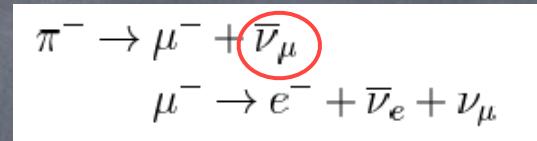
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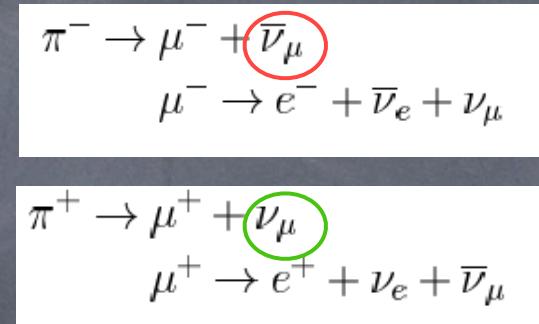
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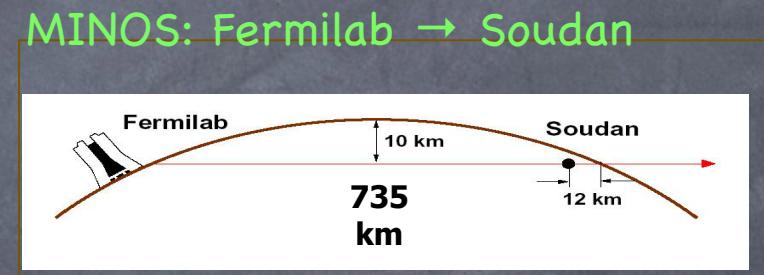
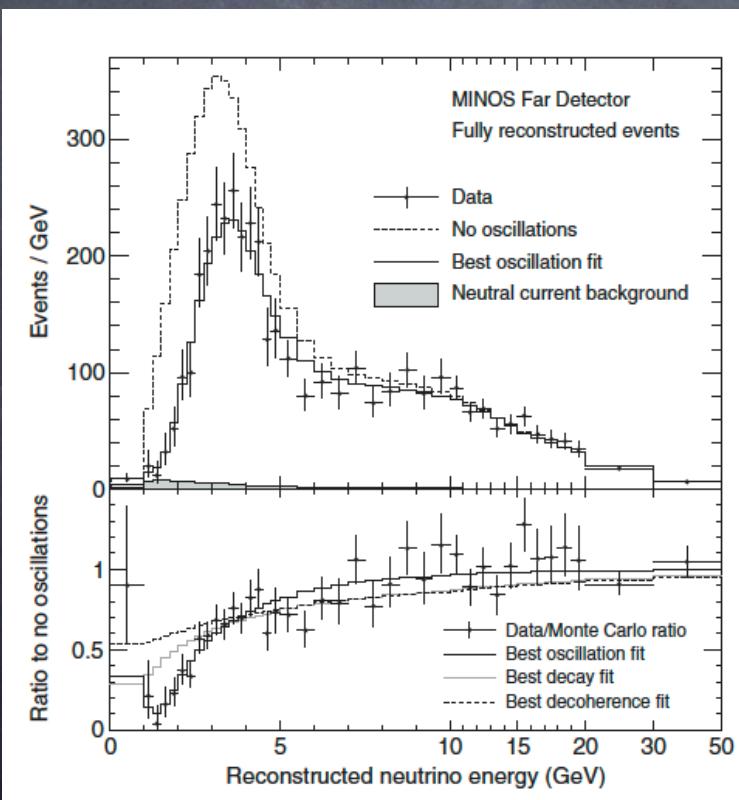
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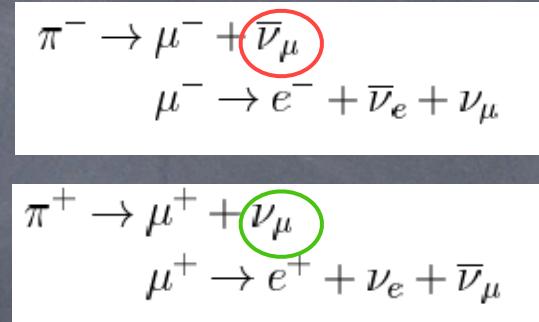


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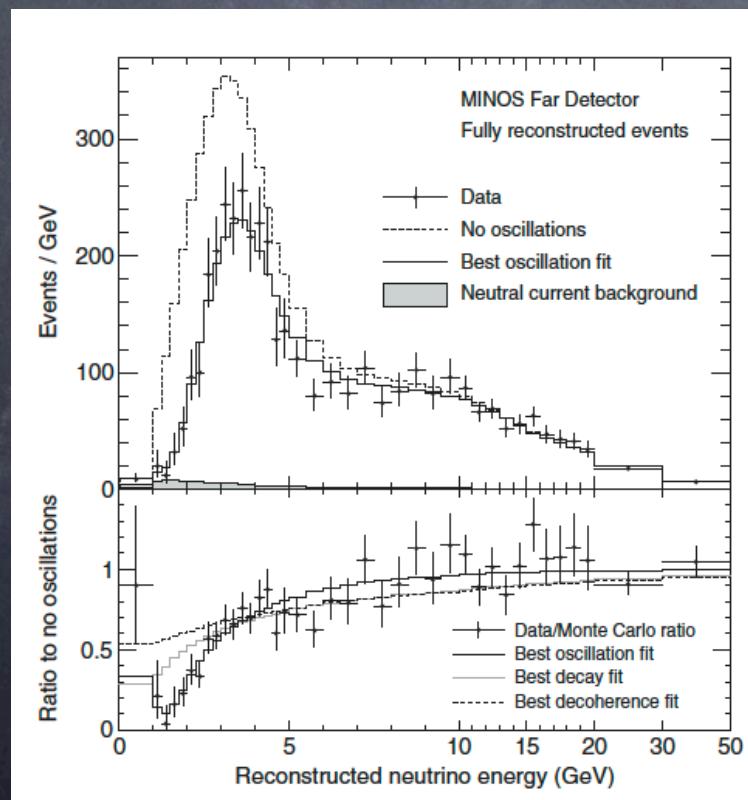
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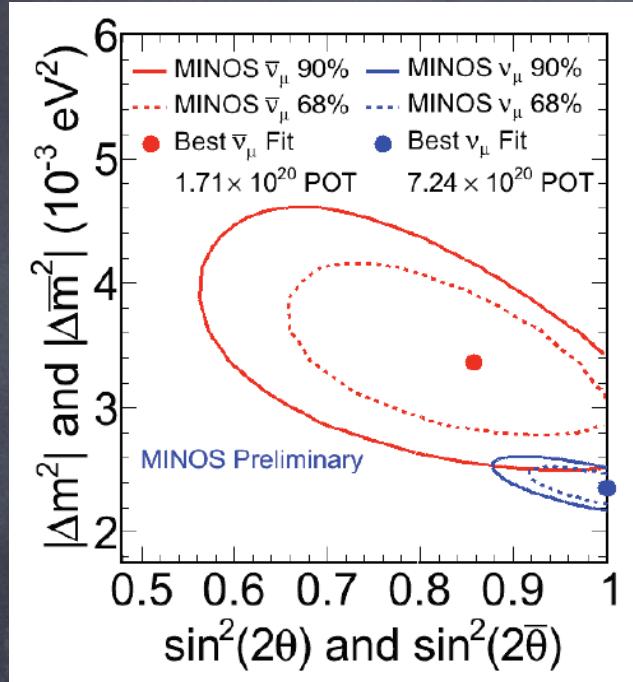


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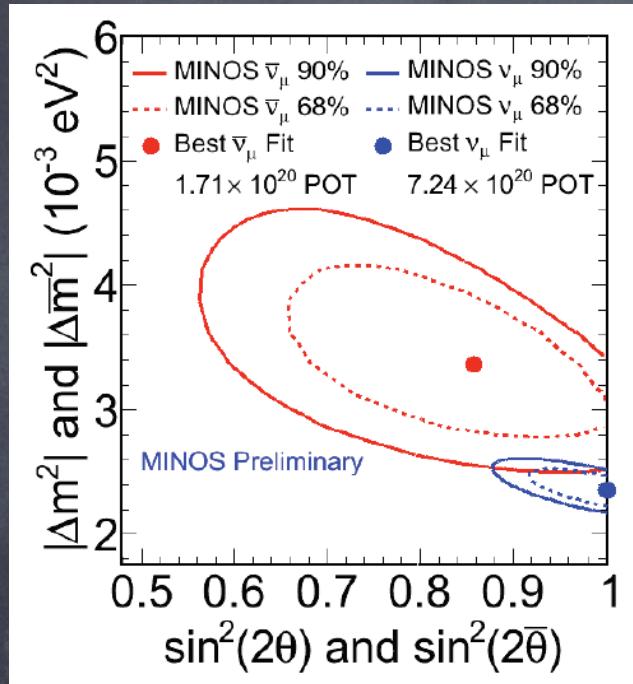


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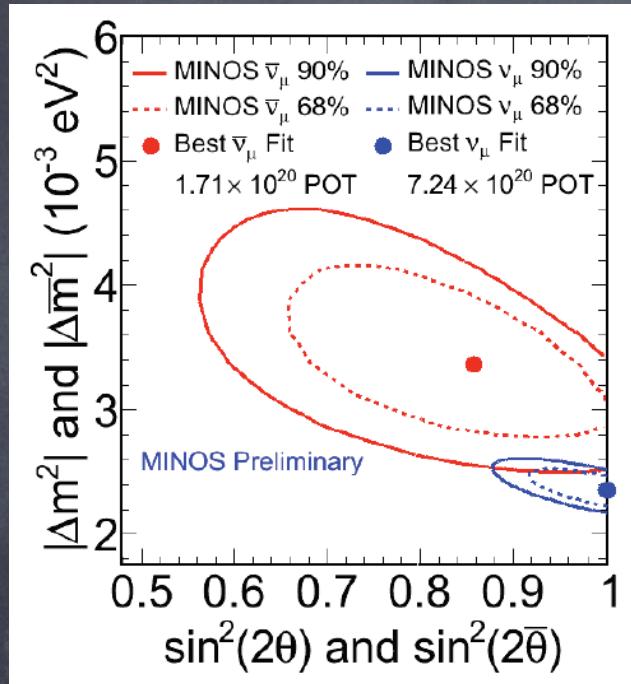
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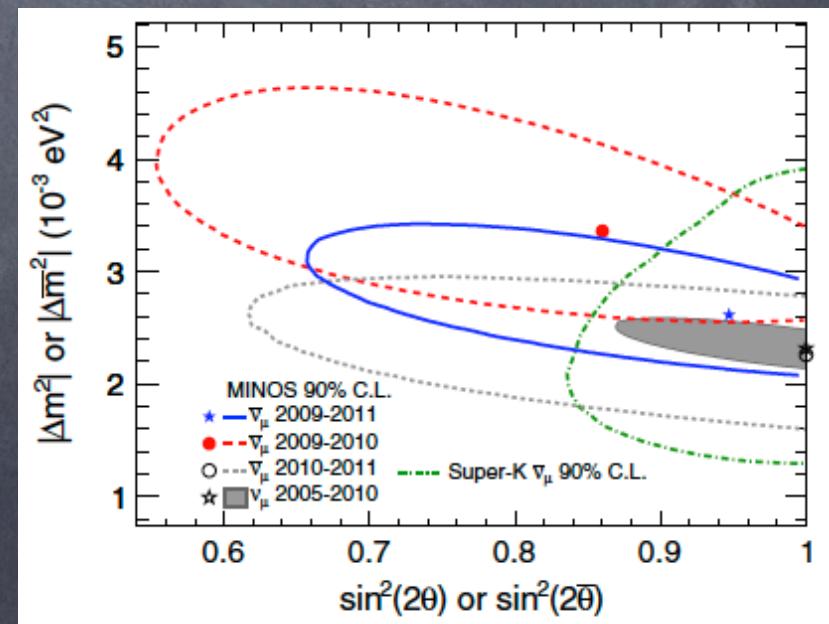


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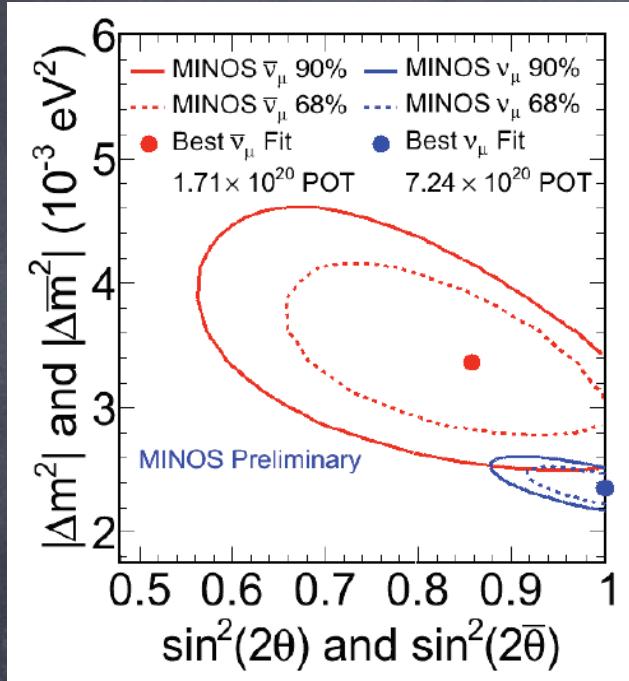
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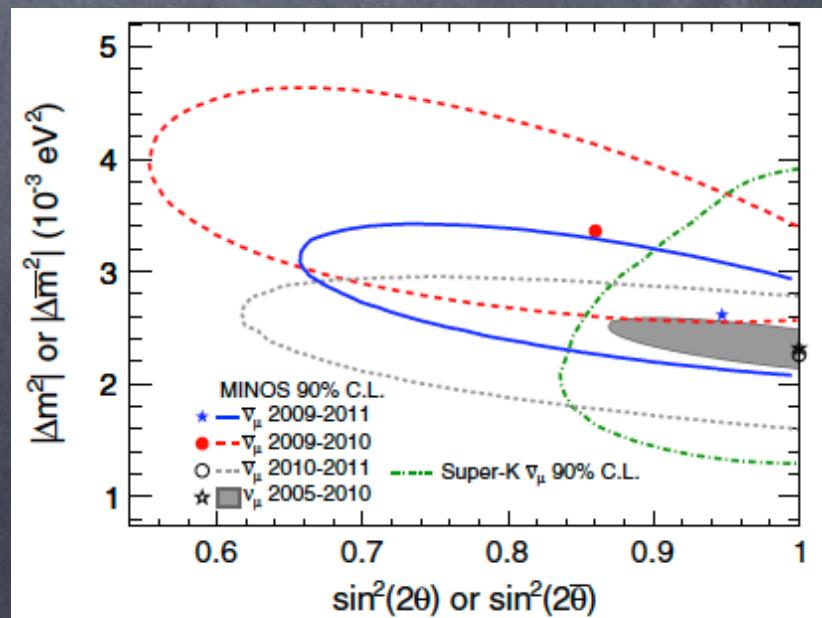
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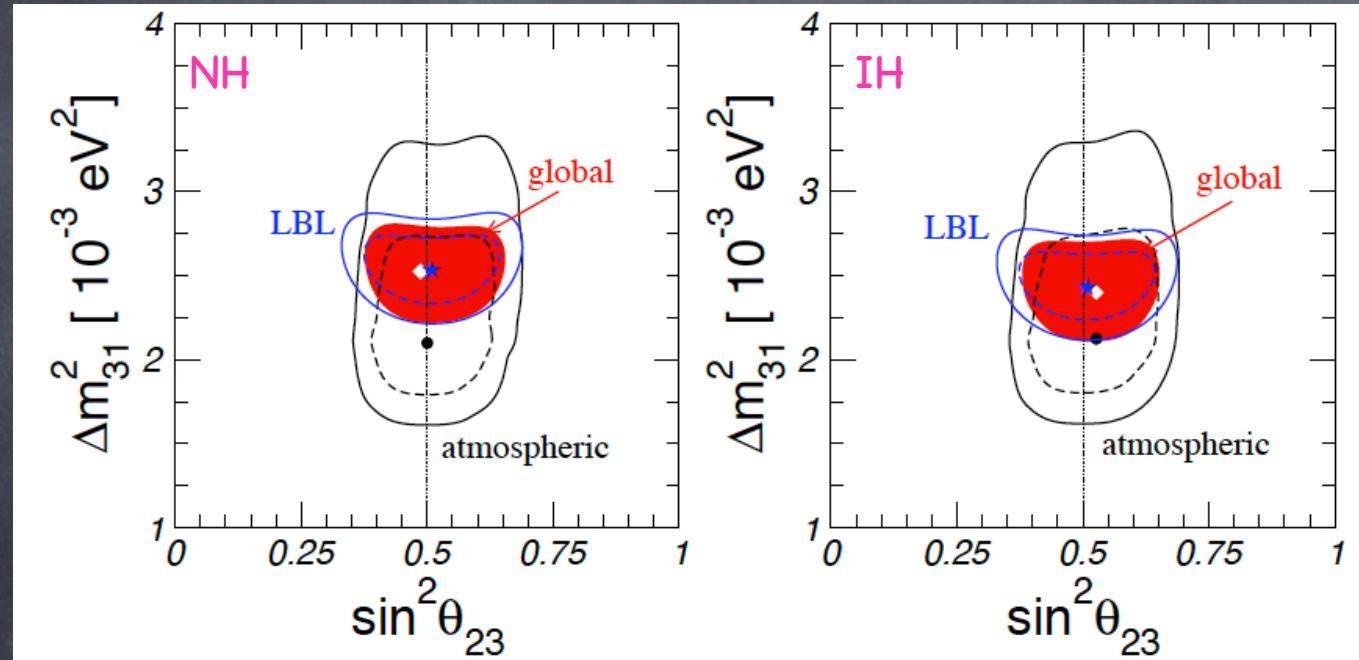
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Combined analysis atmospheric + LBL data

→ Super-Kamiokande (I + II + III) + K2K and MINOS long-baseline data



→ Determination of θ_{23} and Δm_{31}^2 is now dominated by LBL data

Forero, M.T., Valle, arXiv:1205.4018 [hep-ph]

* Best fit point:

$$\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.49^{+0.08}_{-0.05}$$

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Determination of oscillation parameters from global ν data

- The solar sector: $(\Delta m^2_{21}, \sin^2 \theta_{12})$
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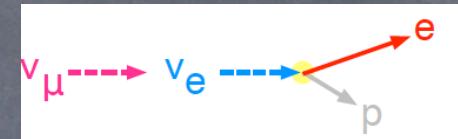
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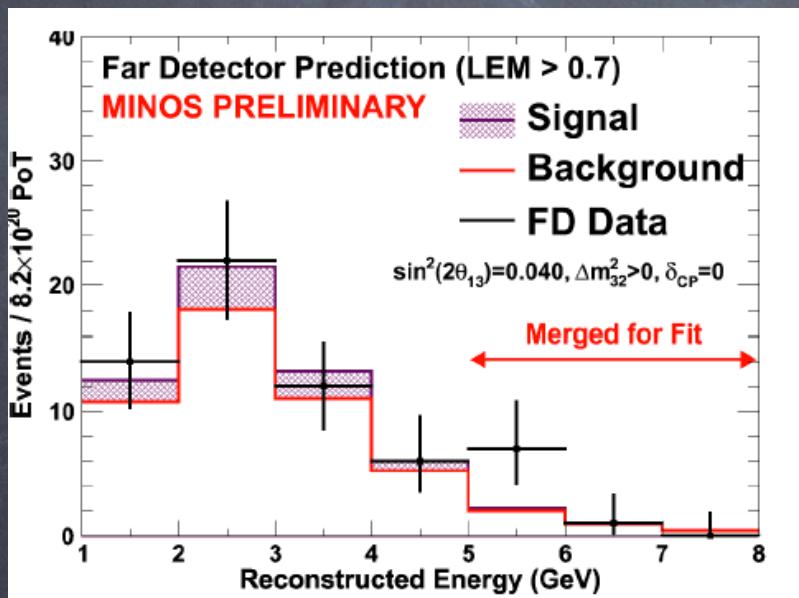


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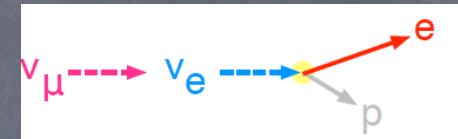


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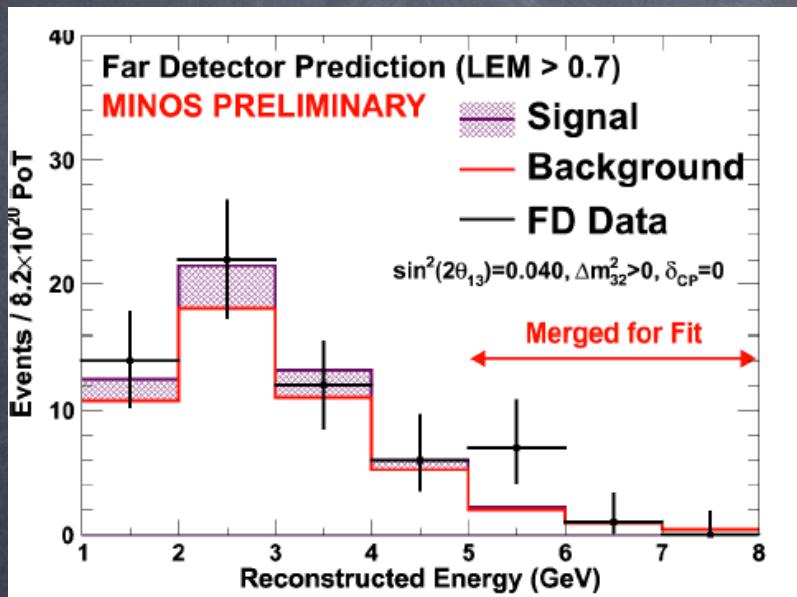
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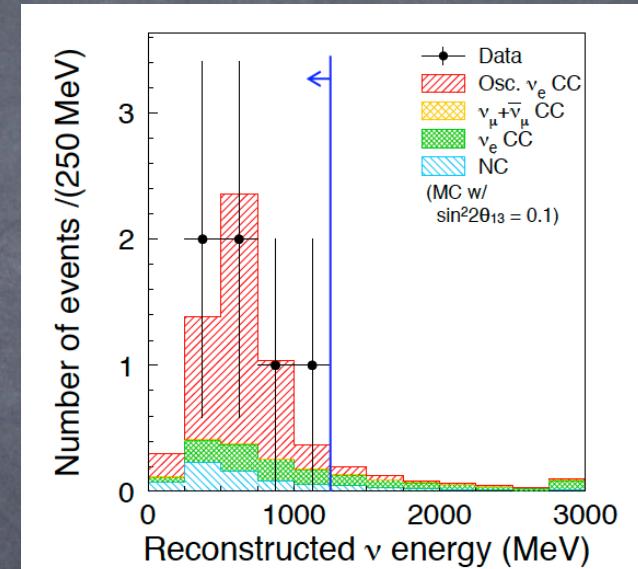
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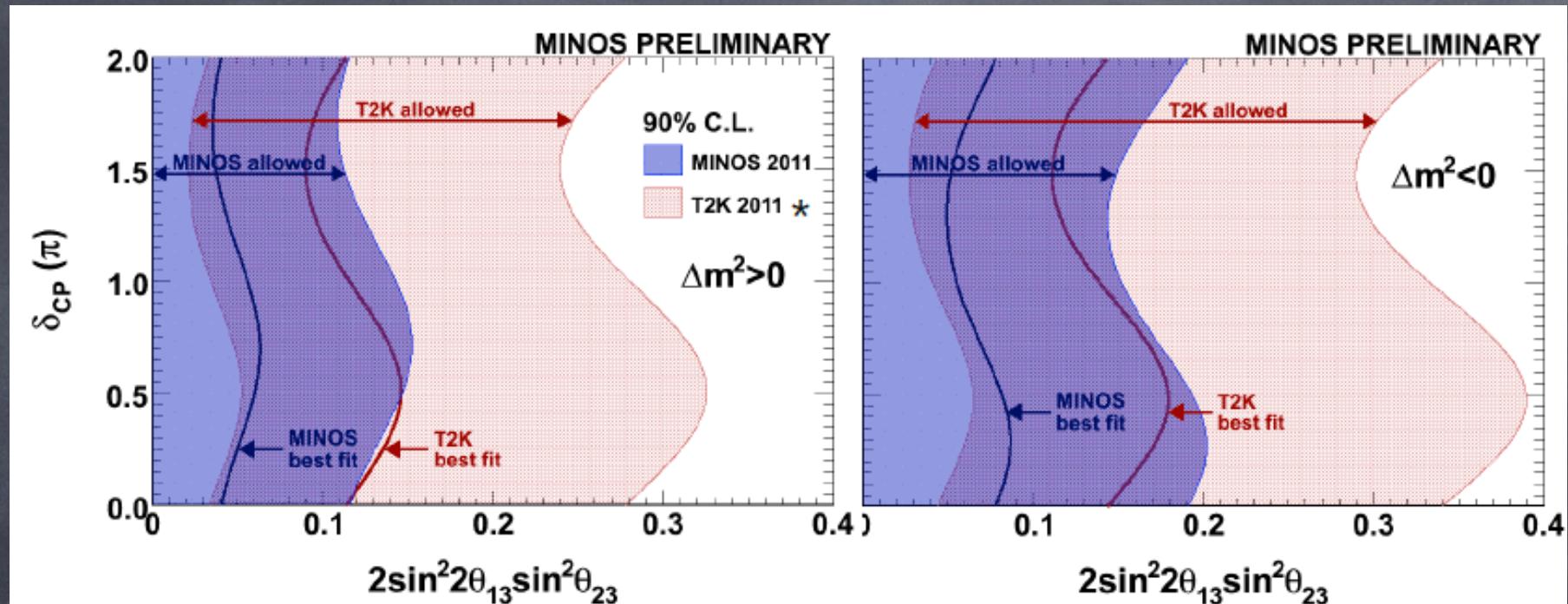
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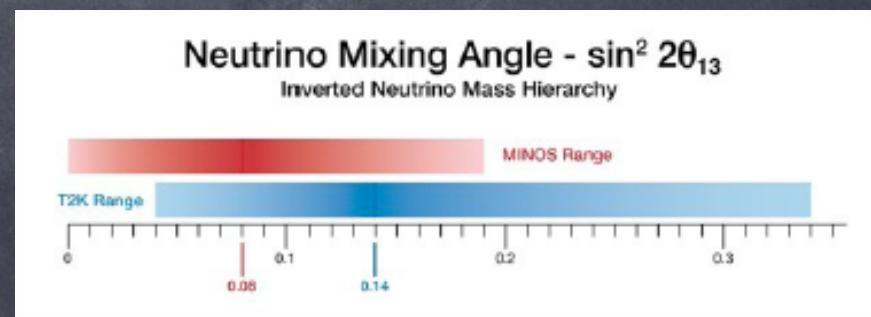
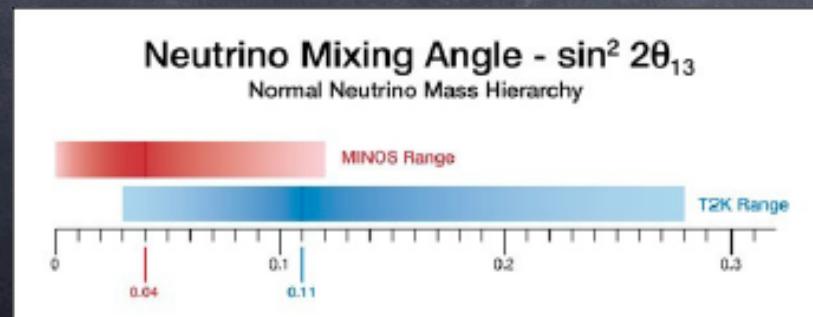
- * 1.5 events expected
- * 6 candidate events
→ 2.5σ significance

[T2K Collaboration], PRL107, 041801 (2011).

Comparison of MINOS and T2K results



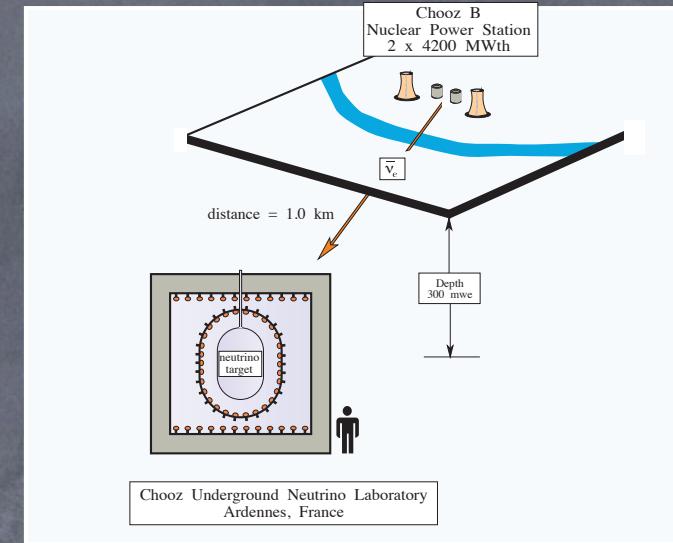
Overlay of the two 90% CL allowed regions ($\delta=0$, $\theta_{23}=\pi/4$)



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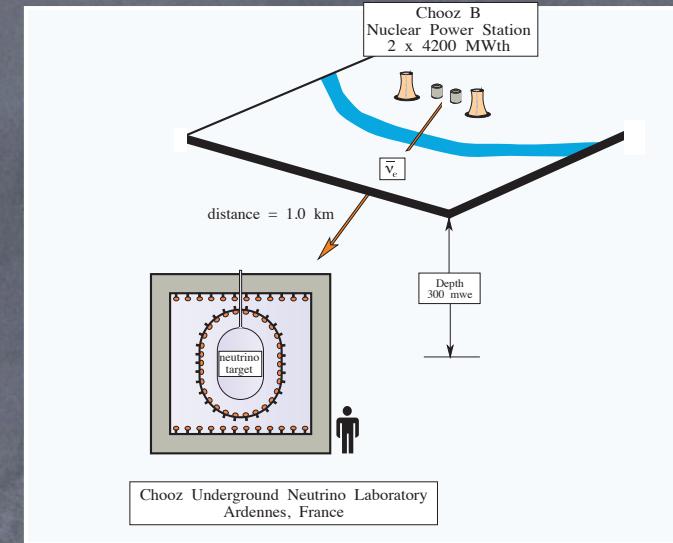
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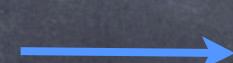
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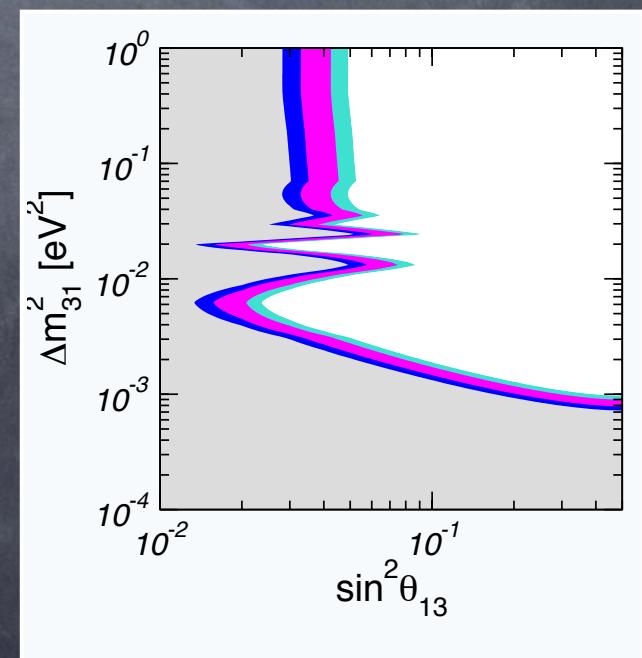


Exclusion plot
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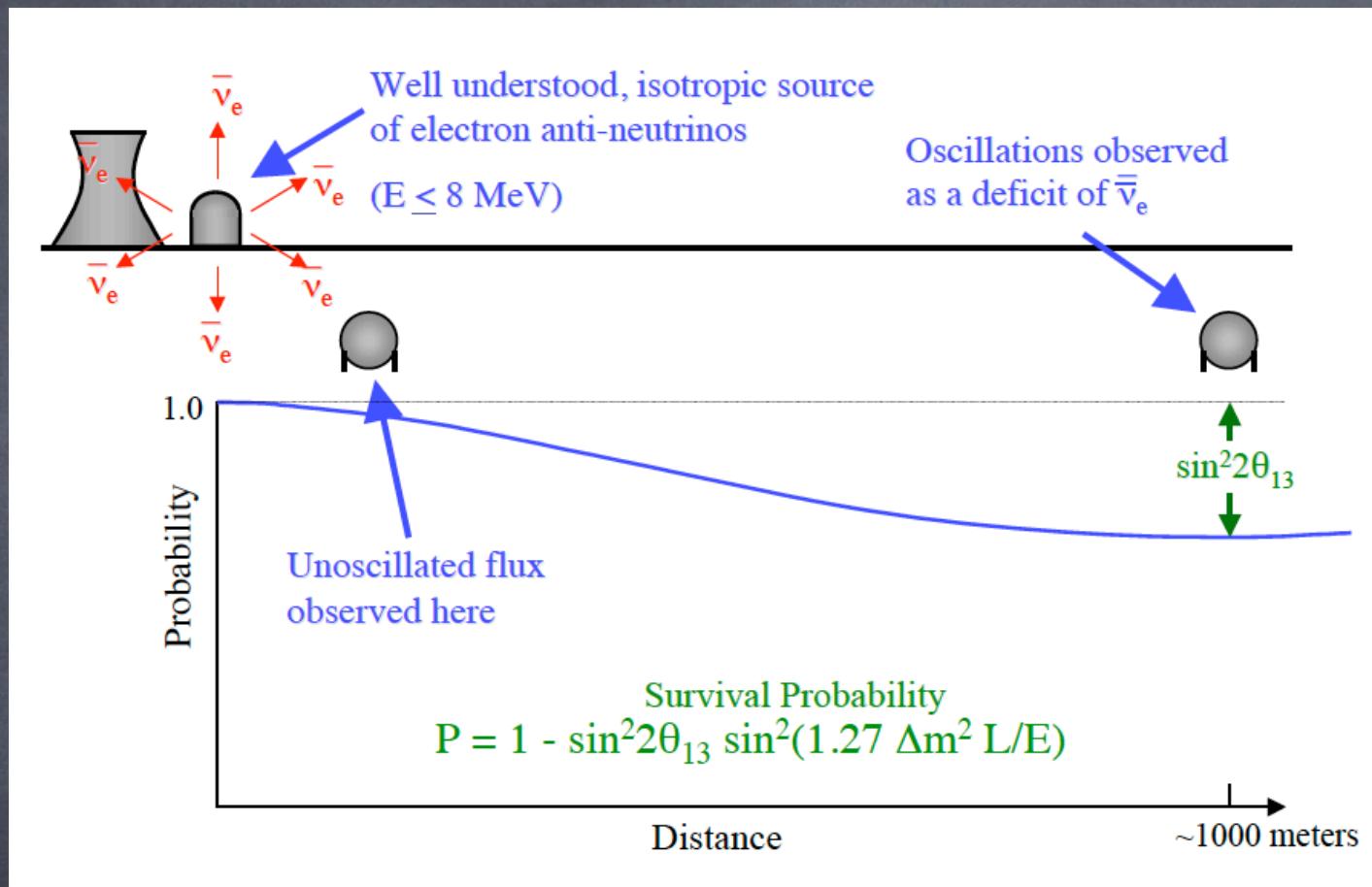
For $\Delta m_{31}^2 = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$

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CHOOZ Collaboration, EPJ C27 (2003) 331.

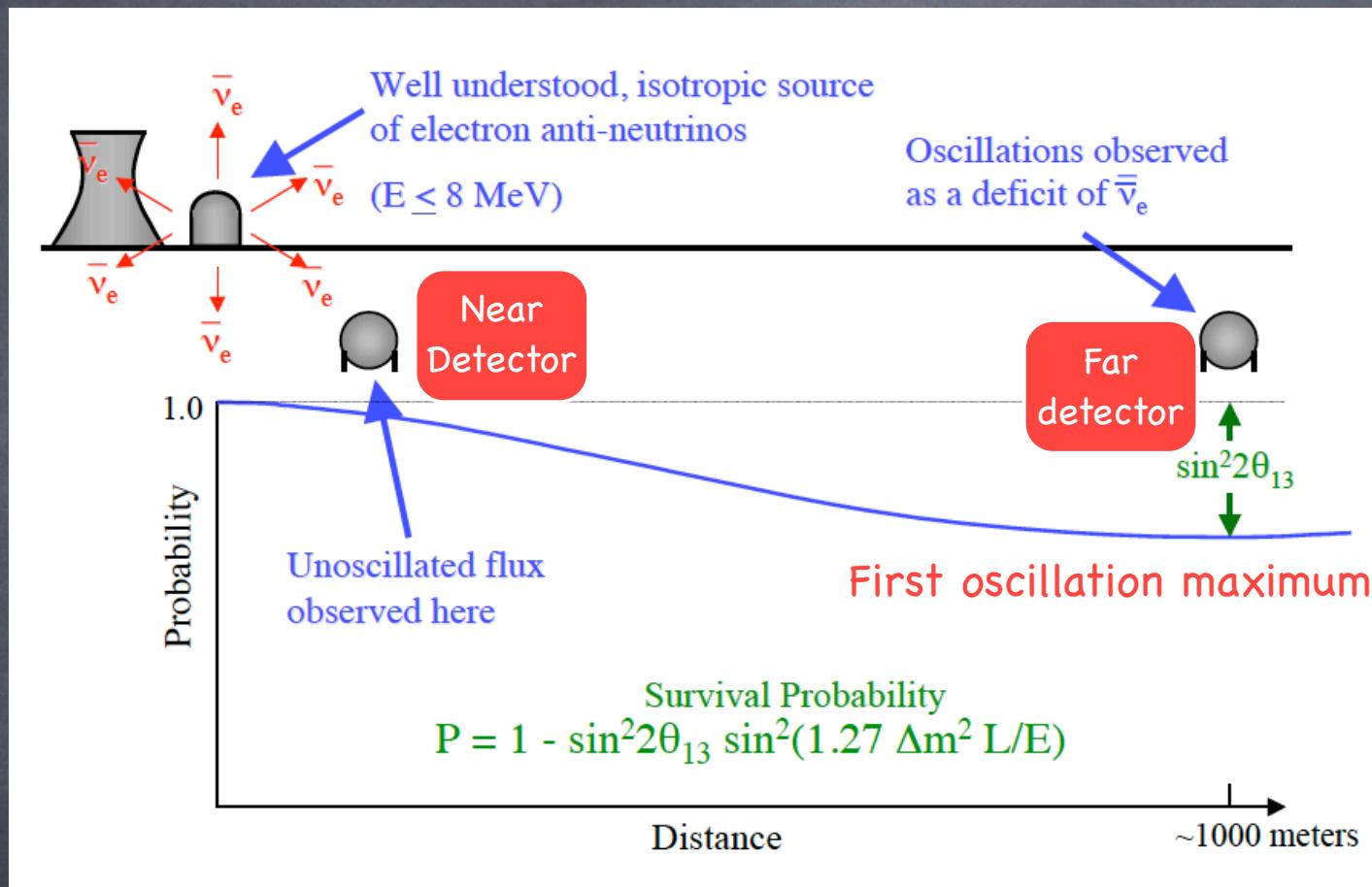


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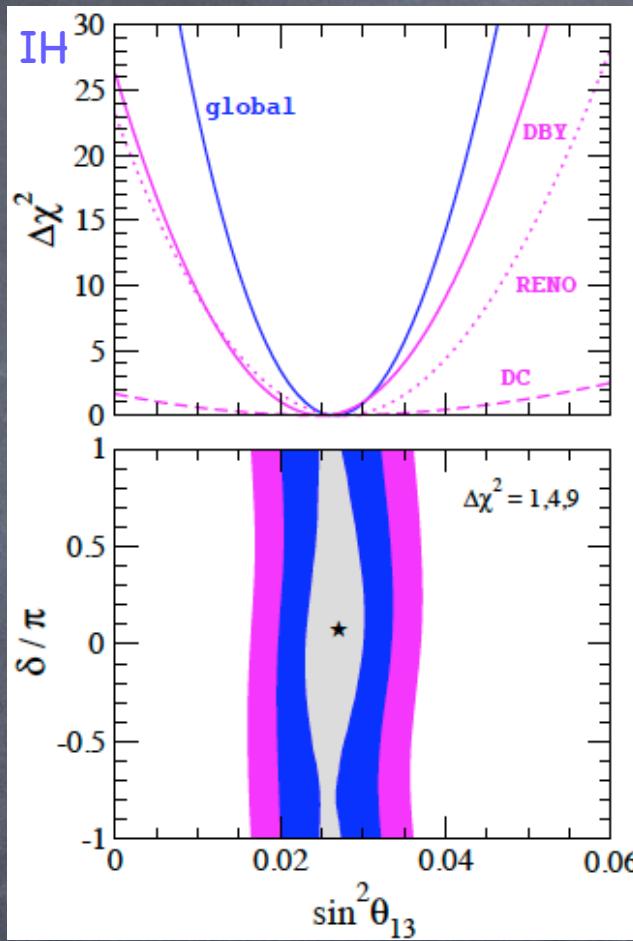
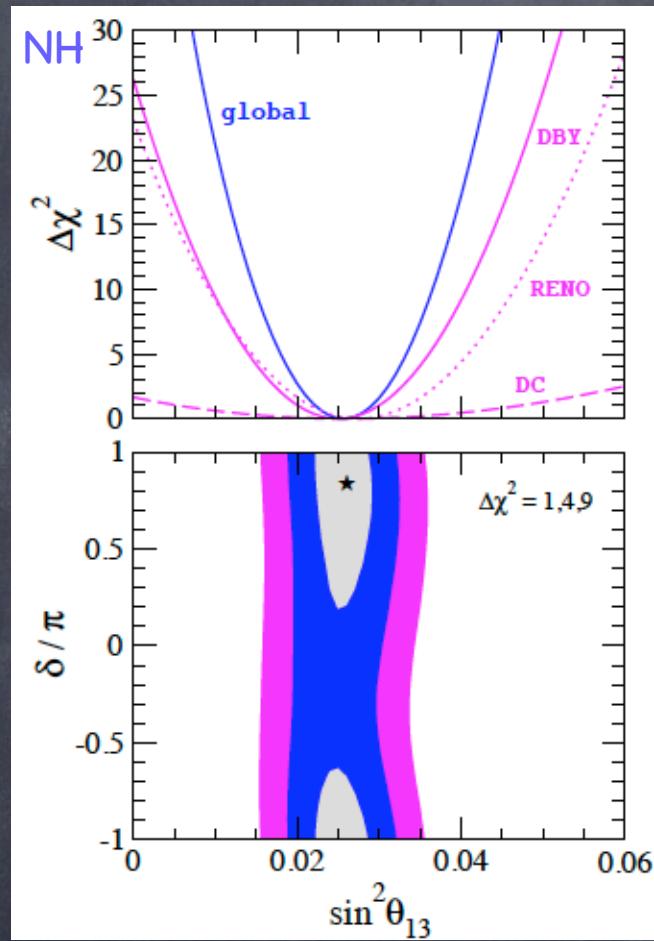
livetime: 229 days

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.113 \pm 0.013 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.019 \text{ (syst.)}$$

RENO Coll., PRL 108 (2012) 191802

→ $\theta_{13}=0$ excluded at 4.9σ

θ_{13} determination from global analysis



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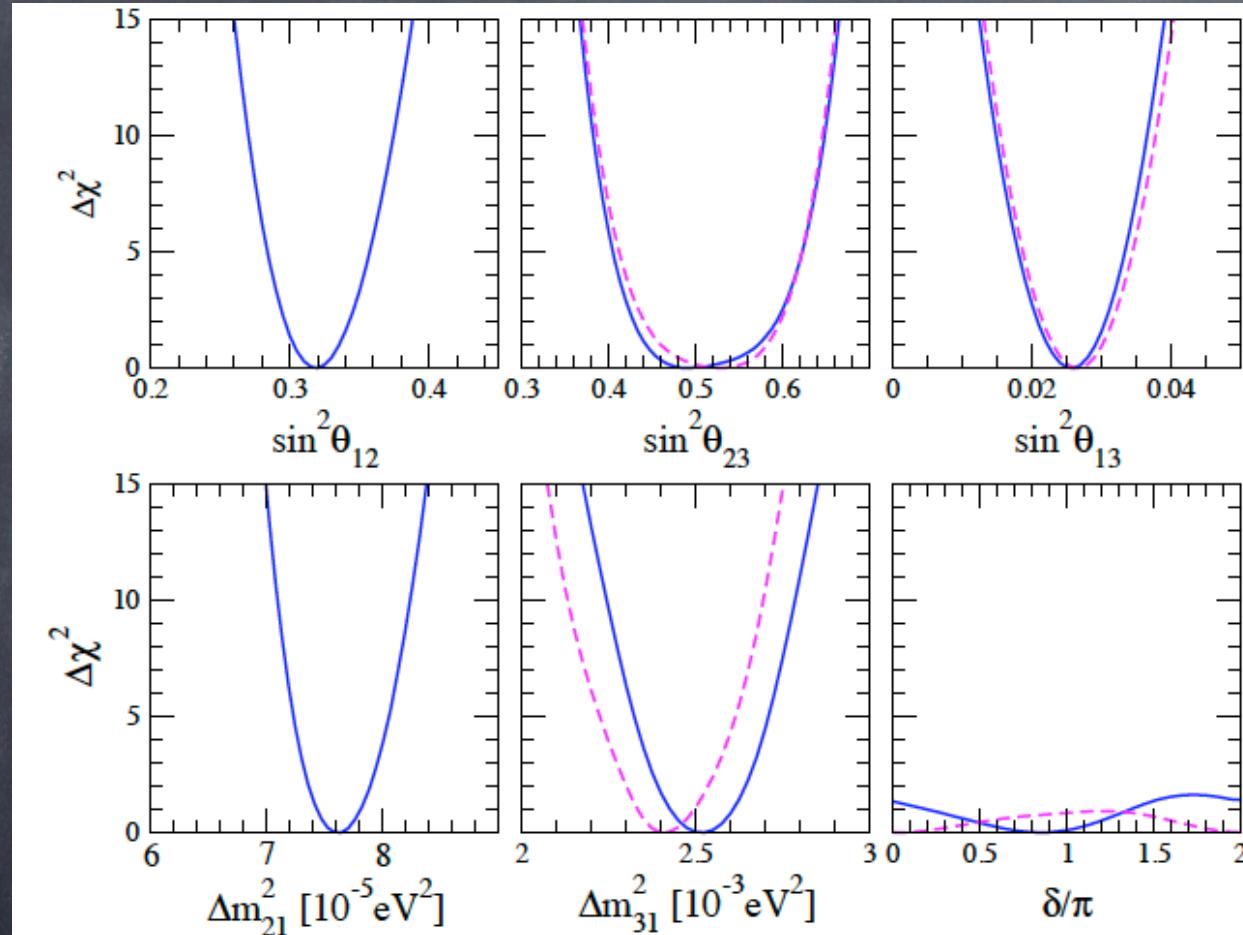
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Forero, M.T., Valle, arXiv:1205.4018 [hep-ph]

- * Bound on θ_{13} dominated by Daya Bay and RENO
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3-flavour oscillation parameters



parameter	best fit $\pm 1\sigma$	statistical uncertainty (%)
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δ	$(0.83^{+0.54}_{-0.64}) \pi$ $0.07\pi^a$	

Absolute scale of neutrino mass

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$$m_\beta = [c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 m_1^2 + c_{13}^2 s_{12}^2 m_2^2 + s_{13}^2 m_3^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- $m_\beta < 2.3$ (2.1) eV at 95%CL Mainz (Troitsk) Kraus et al, EPJ C40 (2005) 447
Troitsk Collaboration PRD 84 (2011) 112003
- KATRIN sensitivity $m_\beta \sim 0.2$ eV

* Neutrinoless double β -decay:

$$m_{\beta\beta} = |c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 m_1 + c_{13}^2 s_{12}^2 m_2 e^{i\phi_2} + s_{13}^2 m_3 e^{i\phi_3}|$$

- 90%CL upper limit from Heidelberg-Moscow < 0.35 eV

Klapdor-Kleingrothaus et al, EPJ A12 (2001) 147.

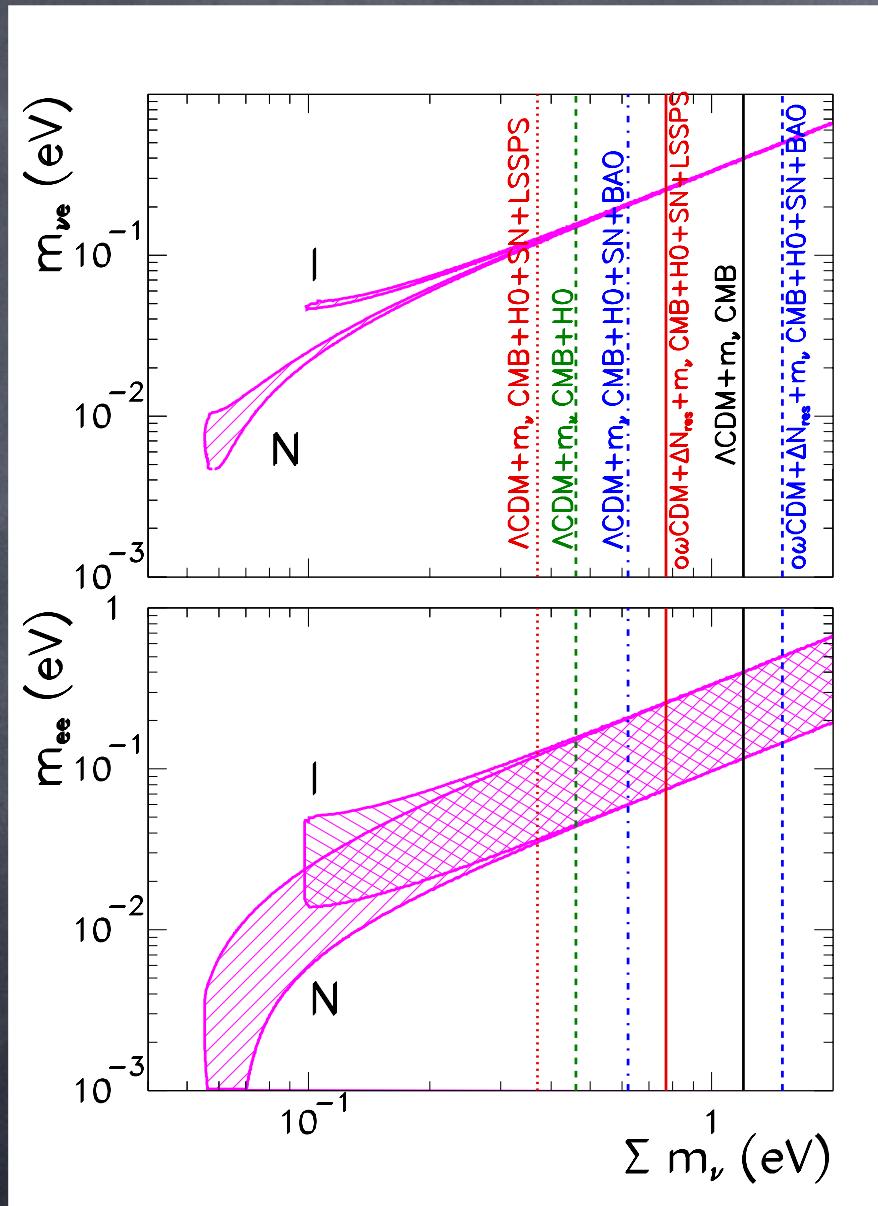
* Cosmology:

$$\sum m_i = m_1 + m_2 + m_3$$

Model	Observables	Σm_ν (eV) 95% Bound
$\omega\text{CDM} + \Delta N_{\text{rel}} + m_\nu$	CMB+HO+SN+BAO	≤ 1.5
$\omega\text{CDM} + \Delta N_{\text{rel}} + m_\nu$	CMB+HO+SN+LSSPS	≤ 0.76
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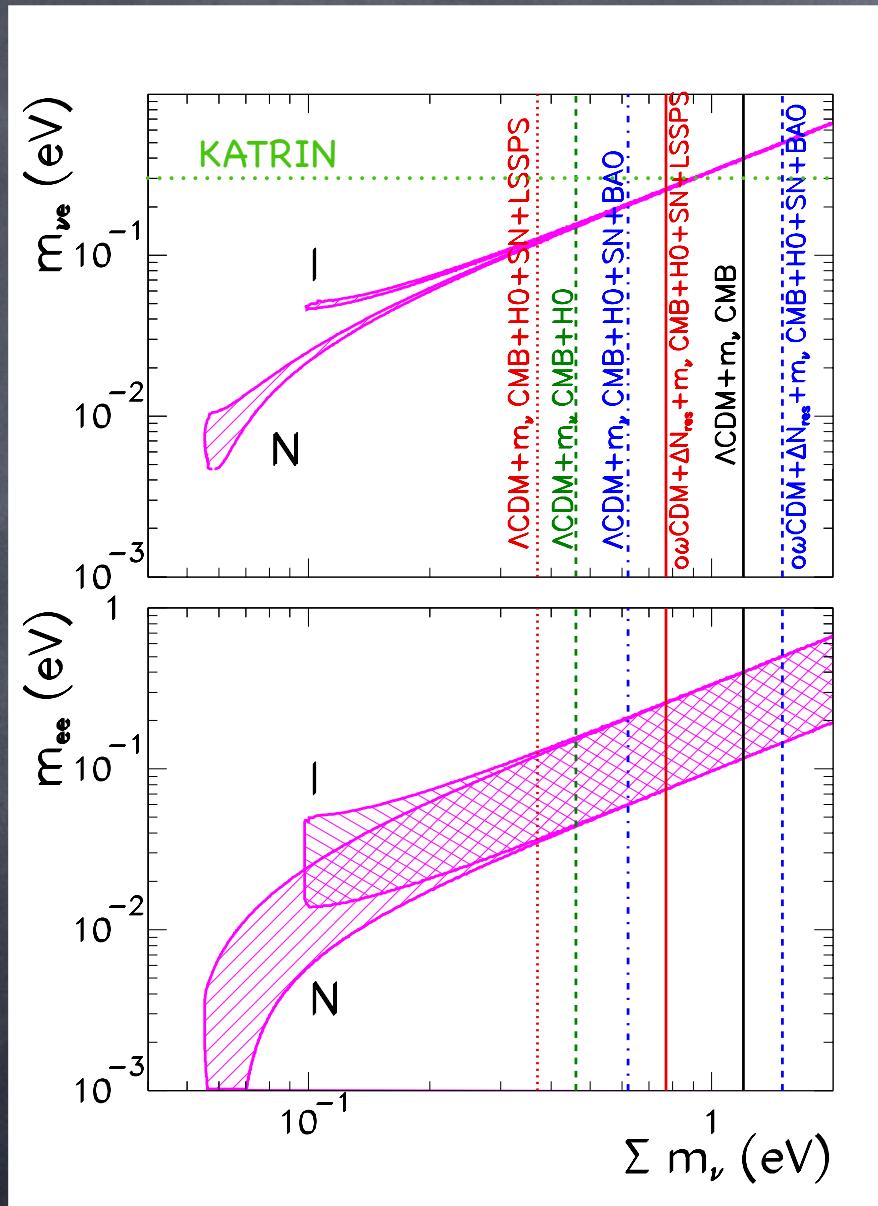
González-García et al, JHEP 1008 (2010) 117.

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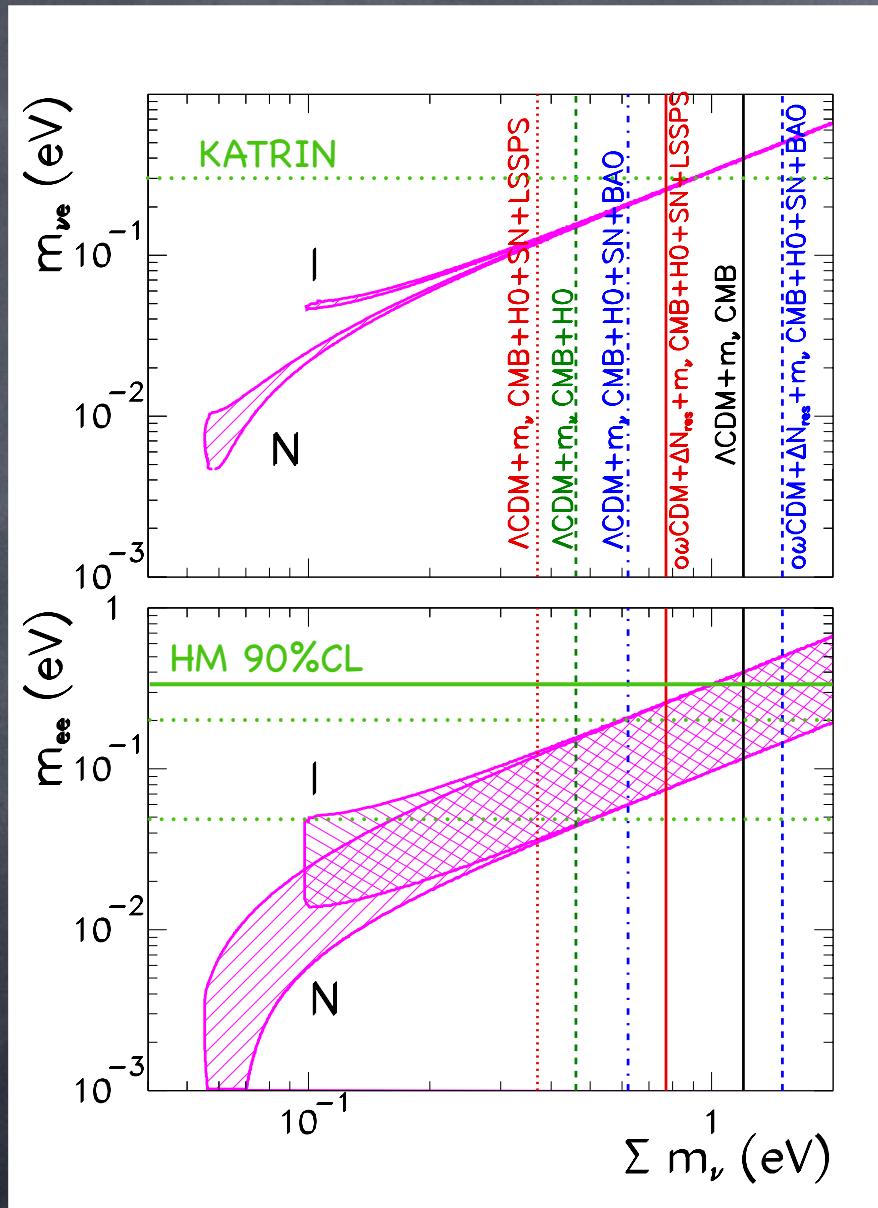
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PART 2

Trying to explain what we
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Explaining what we know....

- neutrinos are massive: how do they get its mass?
- neutrino masses and mixings: why so different from the quark sector?
- neutrino anomalies beyond 3ν mixing: are there sterile neutrinos? non-standard neutrino interactions?

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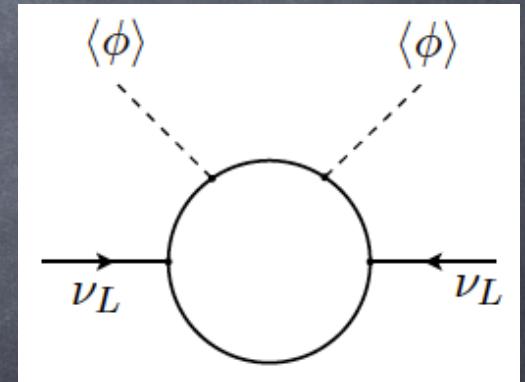
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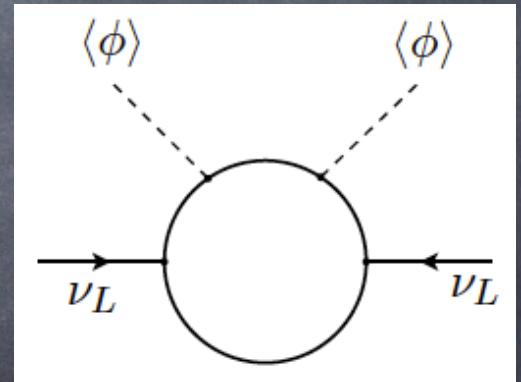
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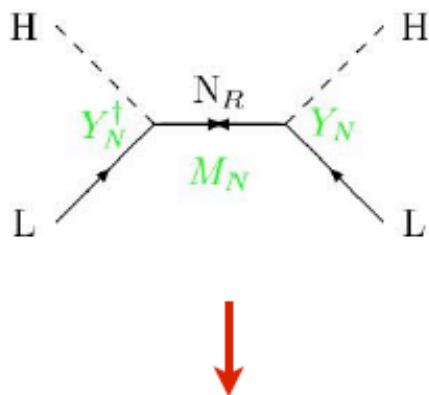
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For very large Λ , m_ν is suppressed \rightarrow **seesaw mechanism**

Seesaw mass models

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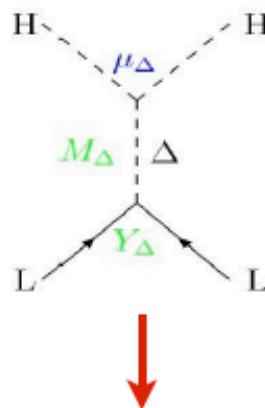
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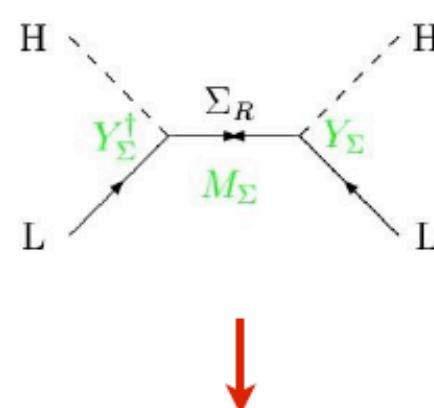
Scalar triplet:
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Magg, Wetterich; Lazarides, Shafi;
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Fermion triplet:
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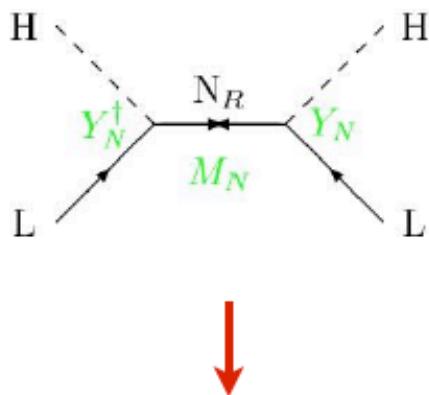
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Foot, Lew, He, Joshi; Ma; Ma, Roy; T.H., Lin,
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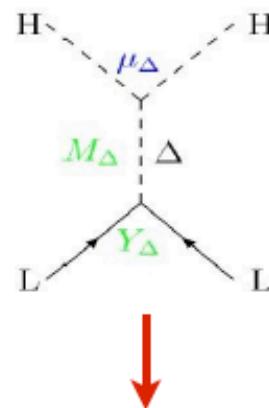
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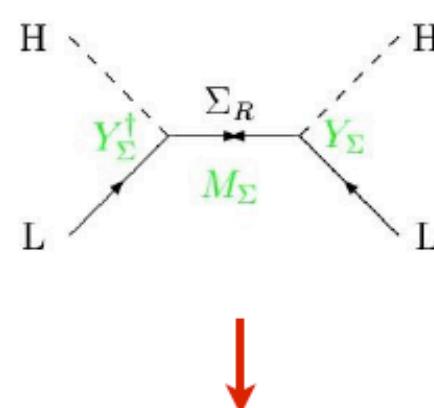
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Magg, Wetterich; Lazarides, Shafi;
Mohapatra, Senjanovic; Schechter, Valle

Fermion triplet:
(type-III seesaw)



$$m_\nu = Y_\Sigma^T \frac{1}{M_\Sigma} Y_\Sigma v^2$$

Foot, Lew, He, Joshi; Ma; Ma, Roy; T.H., Lin,
Notari, Papucci, Strumia; Bajc, Nemevsek,
Senjanovic; Dorsner, Fileviez-Perez;....

Low-energy seesaw models:

- inverse seesaw
- linear seesaw

Mohapatra and Valle, PRD 34 (1986) 1642

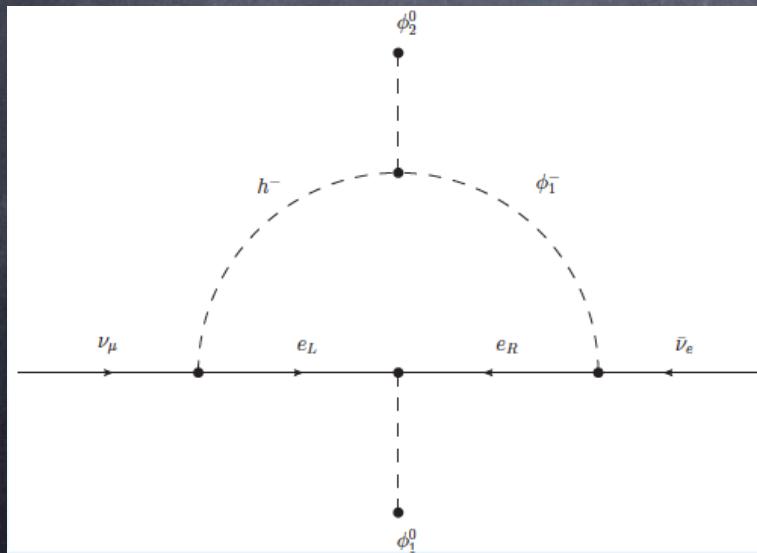
Akhmedov et al, NPB 368 (1996) 270

Radiative models of neutrino masses

- * extension of scalar sector of the SM \rightarrow generate L violation
- * neutrino masses can be generated through loops
 \Rightarrow loop suppression accounts for the smallness of m_ν

Zee model

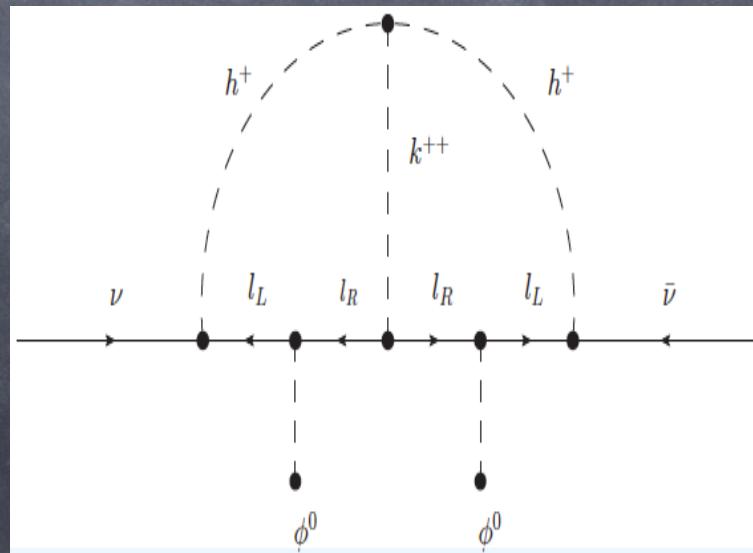
- + singlet scalar h^+
- + extra Higgs doublet H



Zee, PLB 93 (1980) 389

Zee-Babu model

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- + singlet scalar k^{++}



Zee, NPB 264 (1986) 99; Babu, PLB 203 (1988) 132

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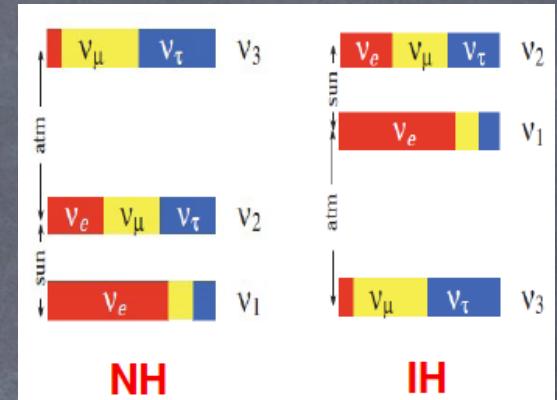
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$$\lambda_C \sim 0.22$$

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$A_5 \sim PSL_2(5)$	60	1, 3, 3', 4, 5	$A^3 = B^2 = (BA)^5 = 1$
T'	24	1, 1', 1'', 2, 2', 2'', 3	$A^3 = (AB)^3 = R^2 = 1, B^2 = R$
S_4	24	1, 1', 2, 3, 3'	$BM : A^4 = B^2 = (AB)^3 = 1$ $TB : A^3 = B^4 = (BA^2)^2 = 1$
$\Delta(27) \sim Z_3 \rtimes Z_3$	27	1 ₁ , ...1 ₉ , 3, $\bar{3}$	
$PSL_2(7)$	168	1, 3, $\bar{3}$, 6, 7, 8	$A^3 = B^2 = (BA)^7 = (B^{-1}A^{-1}BA)^4 = 1$
$T_7 \sim Z_7 \rtimes Z_3$	21	1, 1', $\bar{1}'$, 3, $\bar{3}$	$A^7 = B^3 = 1, AB = BA^4$

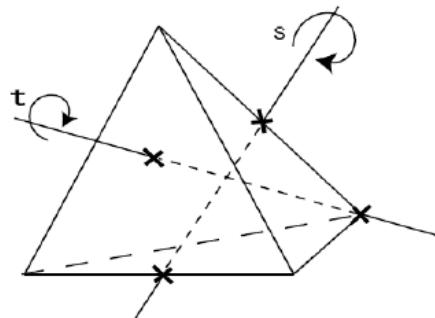
A₄ flavor symmetry

A₄ group

12 elem.

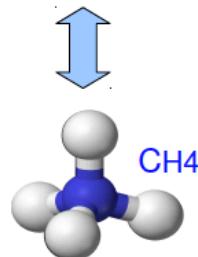
- C1: I
- C2: T, ST, TS, STS
- C3: TT, STT, TTS, TST
- C4: S, TTST, TSTT

$$\langle S, T | S^2 = I, T^3 = I, (ST)^3 = I \rangle$$



Isomorphic to group of thetaaedron rotations

12 rotations



One of the most popular choices:

- ⇒ smallest group with 3 irrep
- ⇒ has three 1-dim irreps 1, 1', 1'' and 1 3-dim irrep.

A₄ predicts tribimaximal mixing:

$$\sin^2\theta_{12} = 1/3 \quad \sin^2\theta_{23} = 1/2$$

$$\sin^2\theta_{13} = 0$$



After reactor measurements:
TBM predictions need large corrections on θ_{13}

* perturbations of TBM do not work because all angles get corrections of the same order

Altarelli and Feruglio, 1002.0211

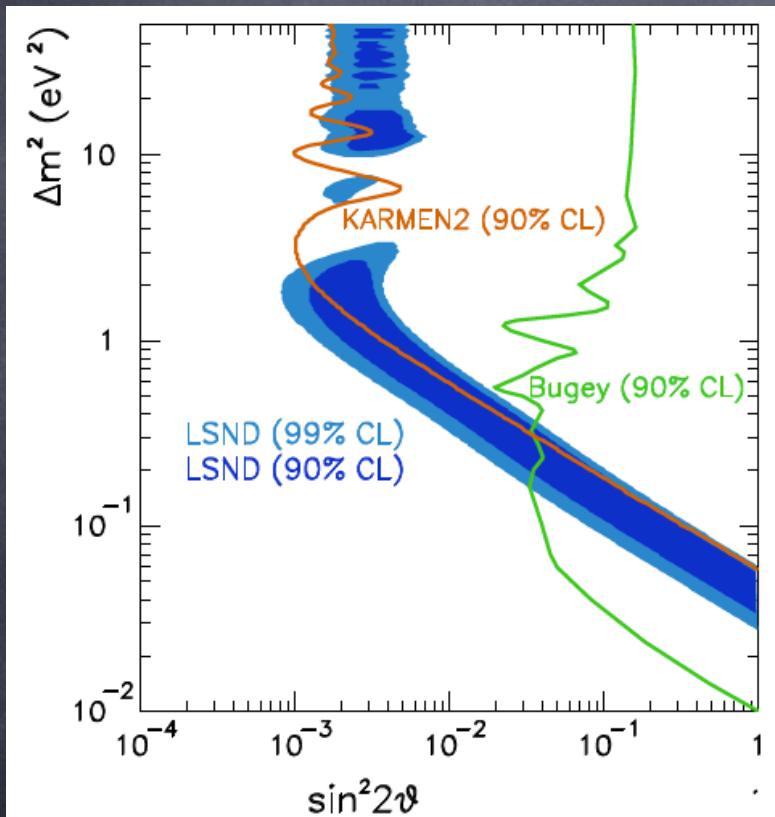
* modifications of TBM models with extra scalar singlet fields can solve the problem

Morisi et al, PRD 84 (2011) 053002

Anomalies beyond 3ν mixing (I)

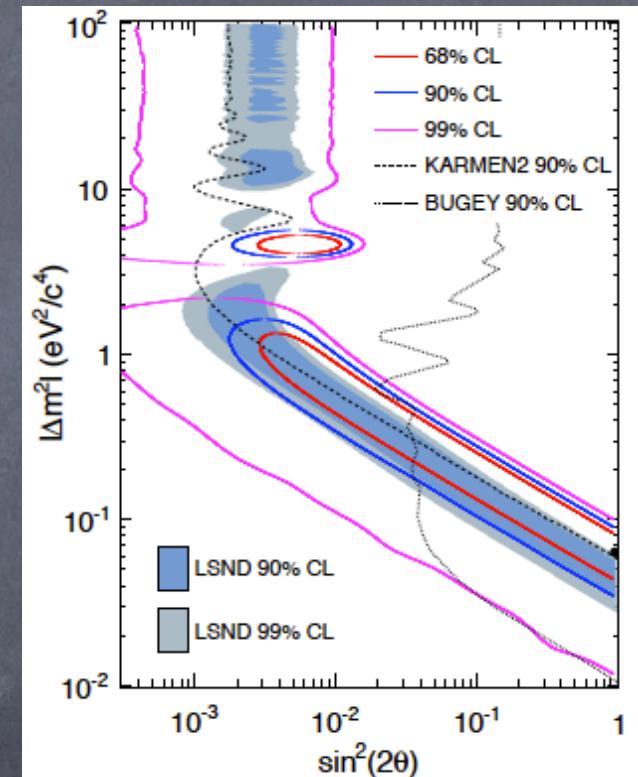
LSND

LSND Collab., PRD 64 (2001) 112007



MiniBooNE $\bar{\nu}$

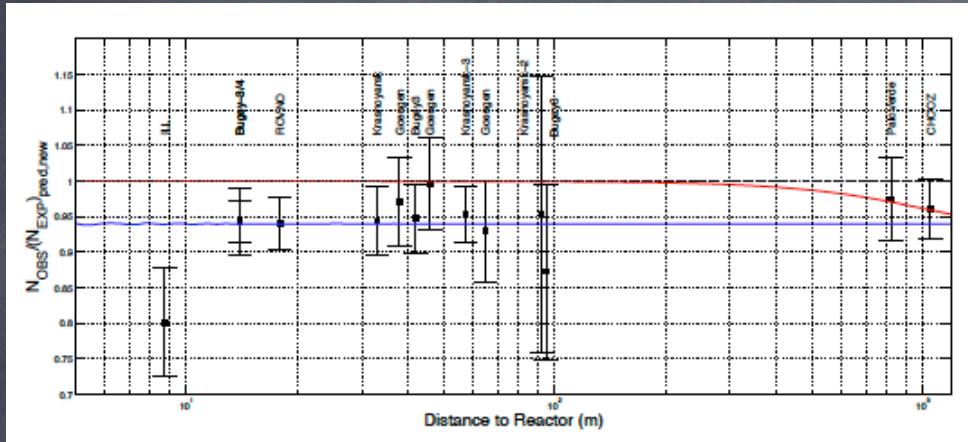
MiniBooNE Collab., PRL 105 (2010) 181801



positive signal for $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ appearance with similar L/E
→ neutrino oscillations with $\Delta m^2 \sim 0.2\text{-}10$ eV 2 → 4th light sterile
neutrino required !!!

Anomalies beyond 3v mixing (II)

reactor anomaly



Mention et al, PRD 83 (2011) 073006

* increase of 3.5% in the calculated reactor fluxes \Rightarrow deficit in number of detected over expected neutrinos:

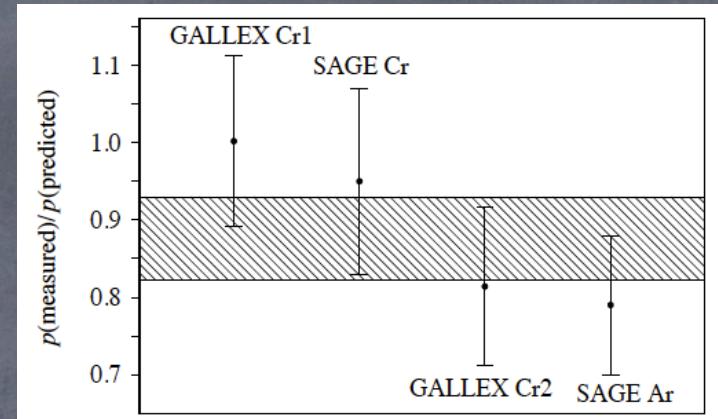
$$R = 0.927 \pm 0.023$$

\Rightarrow comparable deficits, similar L/E

Gallium + SBL reactor combined fit:

$$\Delta m^2 > 1.5 \text{ eV}^2, \sin^2 2\theta = 0.17 \pm 0.04 (1\sigma)$$

Gallium anomaly



SAGE Coll, PRC 73 (2006) 045805

Giunti and Laveder, PRC 83 (2011) 065504

* averaged deficit of ν_e :
 $R = 0.86 \pm 0.06$

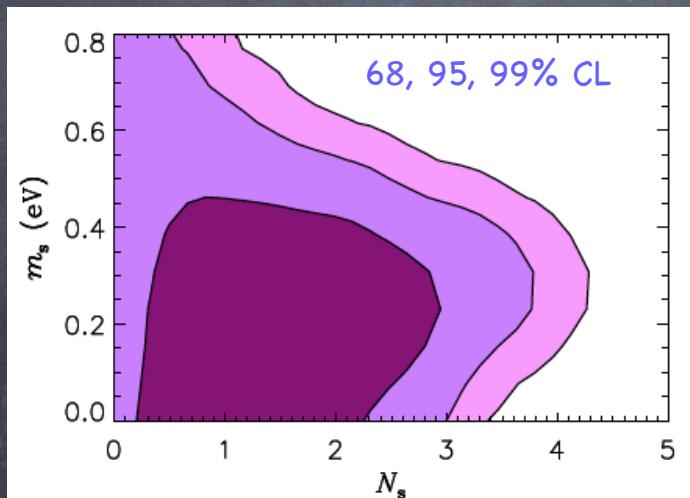
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Cosmological bounds on sterile ν

$$\rho_{\text{rad}} = \rho_\gamma \left[1 + \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} N_{\text{eff}} \right]$$

$$N_s = \Delta N_{\text{eff}} \approx N_{\text{eff}} - 3$$

CMB + LSS:



$$N_s = 1.3 \pm 0.9; \quad m_s < 0.66 \text{ eV (95% CL)}$$

Hamann et al, PRL 105(2010) 181301

$$N_s = 1.61 \pm 0.92; \quad m_s < 0.70 \text{ eV (95% CL)}$$

Giusarma et al, PRD 83 (2011) 115023

BBN: $N_s < 1$ at 95% CL

Mangano and Serpico, PLB 701 (2011) 296

CMB + LSS + BBN

$$N_s = 0.85^{+0.39}_{-0.56} \text{ at 95% CL}$$

Hamann et al, JCAP 1109 (2011) 034

Planck sensitivity: $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \approx \pm 0.26$

Status of sterile neutrino hypothesis

Global analysis SBL $\bar{\nu}_e$ and ν_μ disappearance + $\bar{\nu}_\mu \xrightarrow{(-)} \bar{\nu}_e$
appearance searches + Gallium data

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- ▶ only one extra mass scale.
- ▶ no CP violation: fails in reconciling neutrino (MiniBooNE) with antineutrino data (LSND + MiniBooNE).
⇒ strongly disfavoured due to incompatibility of LSND and MiniBooNE antineutrino signal with the rest of data.

+ 2 sterile neutrinos: (3+2) scheme

- ▶ 2 new mass scales + CP violation → reconciles neutrino and antineutrino results.
- ▶ in better agreement with data after new reactor fluxes determination.
- ▶ strong tension between appearance and disappearance data sets.
- ▶ disfavoured by cosmological data.

Alternatives: (3+1+CPT), (3+1+NSI)

Giunti and Laveder, PRD 83 (2011) 053006
Akhmedov and Schwetz, JHEP 1010 (2010) 115

New high precision SBL exp are needed to solve this problem

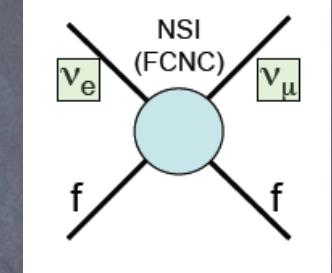
Non-standard neutrino interactions

* NC interactions predicted in extensions of the SM:

flavour-changing: $\nu_\alpha f \rightarrow \nu_\beta f$ non-universal: $\nu_\alpha f \rightarrow \nu_\alpha f$

* effective 4-fermion operator:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}} = -\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fP} 2\sqrt{2} G_F (\bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma_\mu L \nu_\beta) (\bar{f} \gamma^\mu P f)$$



* the presence of NSI may affect **neutrino propagation** and **detection**:

Wolfenstein 78, Valle 87, Roulet 91, Guzzo et al, 91

$$\mathcal{H}_F = \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ U \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & \Delta m_{21}^2 & \\ & & \Delta m_{31}^2 \end{pmatrix} U^\dagger + a_{\text{CC}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee}^m & \epsilon_{e\mu}^m & \epsilon_{e\tau}^m \\ (\epsilon_{e\mu}^m)^* & \epsilon_{\mu\mu}^m & \epsilon_{\mu\tau}^m \\ (\epsilon_{e\tau}^m)^* & (\epsilon_{\mu\tau}^m)^* & \epsilon_{\tau\tau}^m \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

* bounds on NSI come mainly from:

- ν scattering: LSND, CHARM, reactor exp.

Barranco et al., 2005, 2007

- $e^- e^+ \rightarrow \nu \nu \gamma$ at LEP

Berezhiani & Rossi, 2002

- atmospheric data

Fornengo et al., 2002; Friedland et al., 2004, Maltoni 2008

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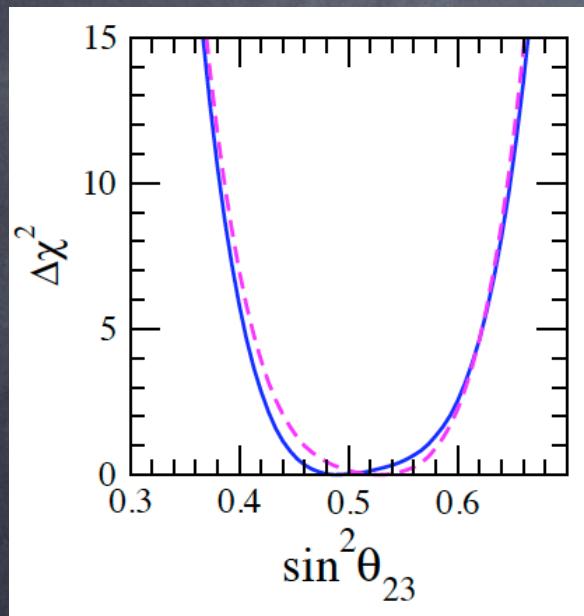
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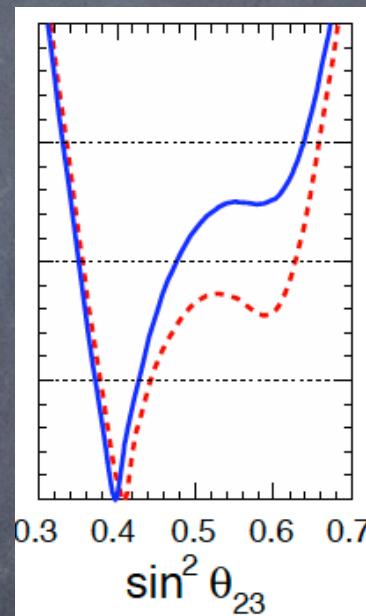
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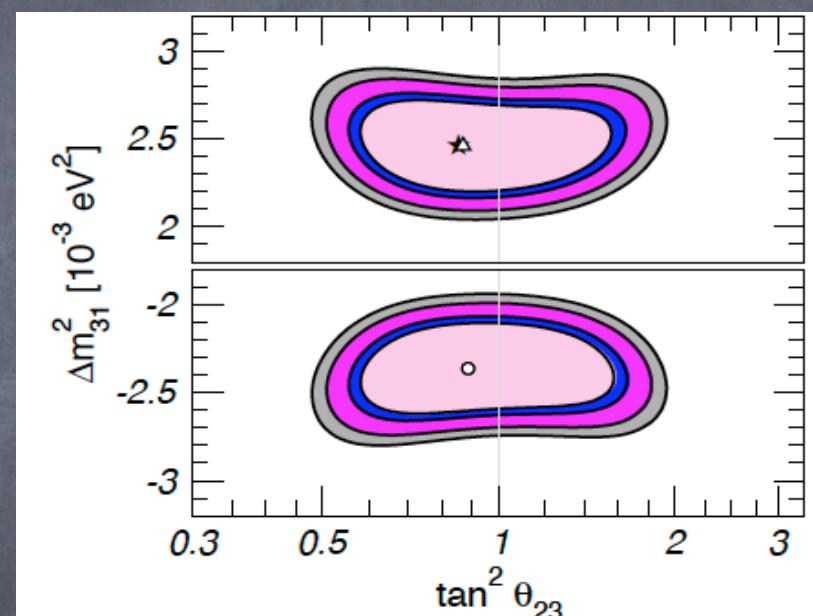
Forero, MT, Valle, 2012

nearly maximal:
 $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.49(0.53)$
no significative
preference



Fogli et al, 2012

first octant
 $\sin^2 \theta_{23} \approx 0.40$
max. mixing at 2σ
(NH)



González-García et al, 2010

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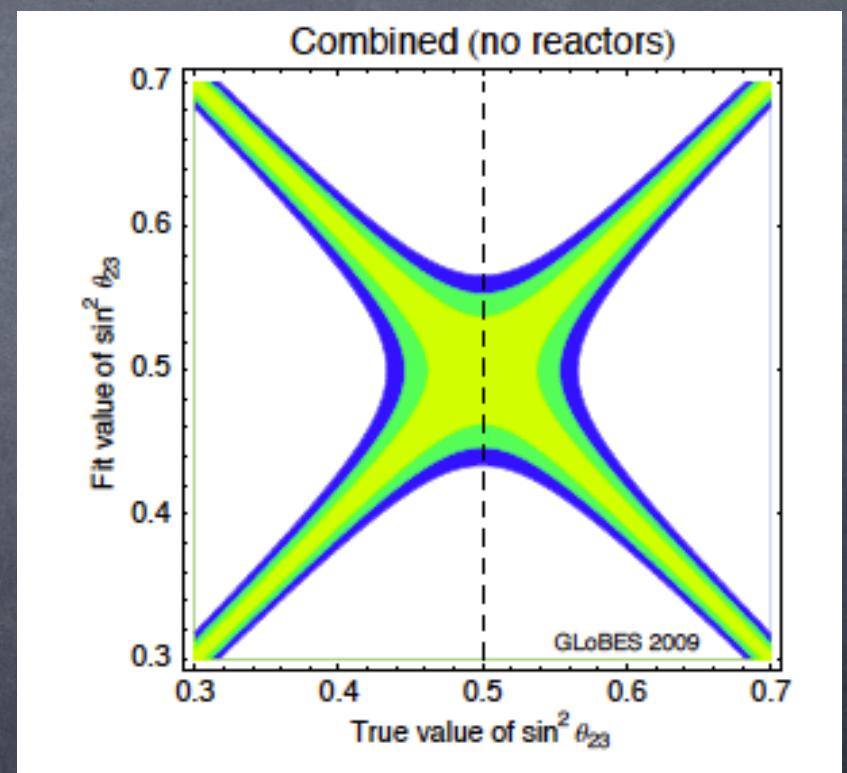
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appearance at LBL:

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⇒ anticorrelation θ_{23} - θ_{13}



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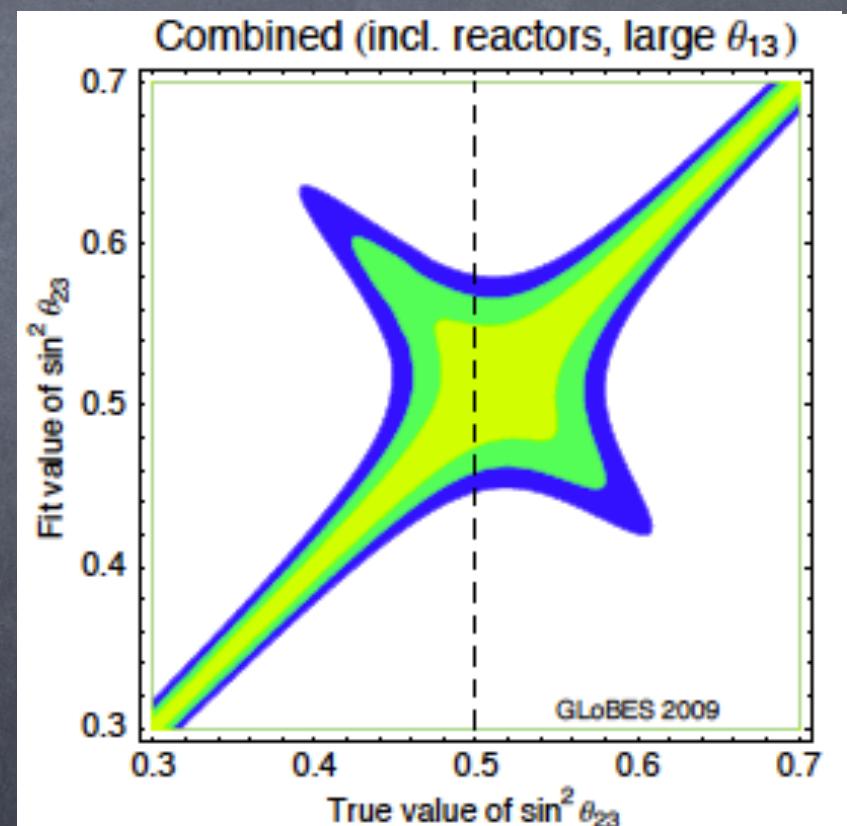
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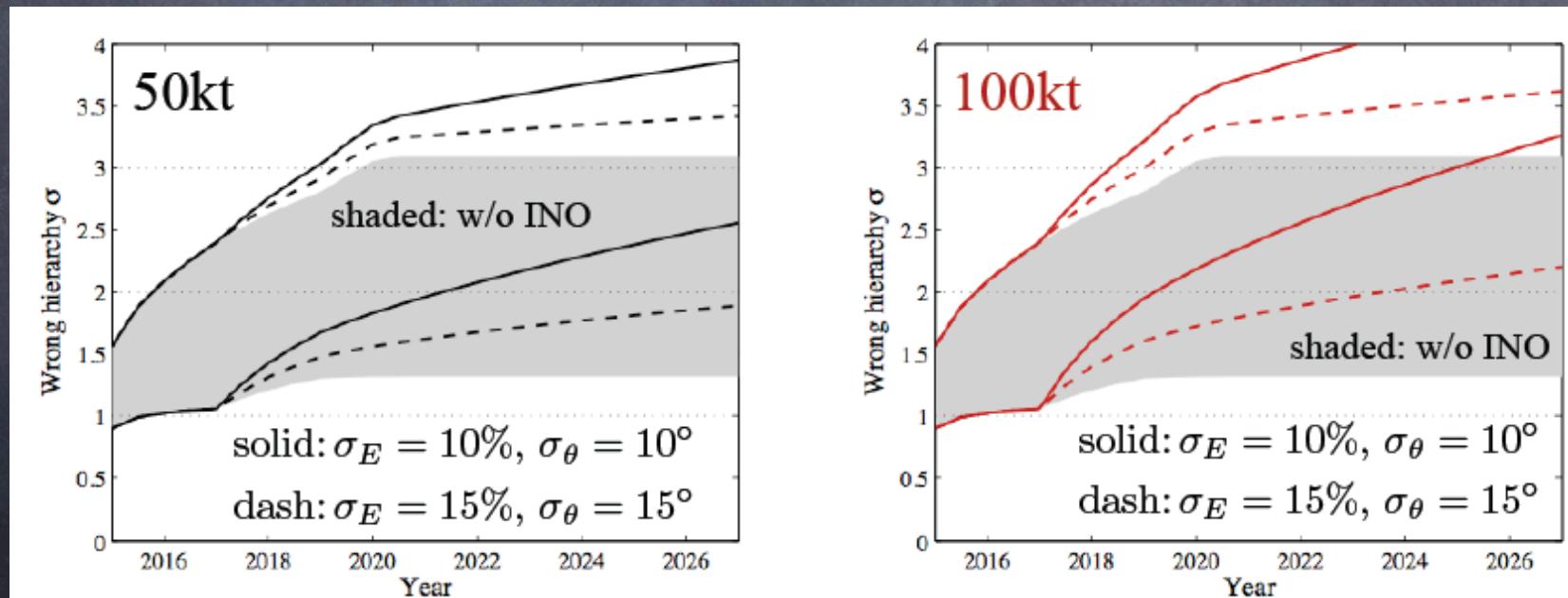


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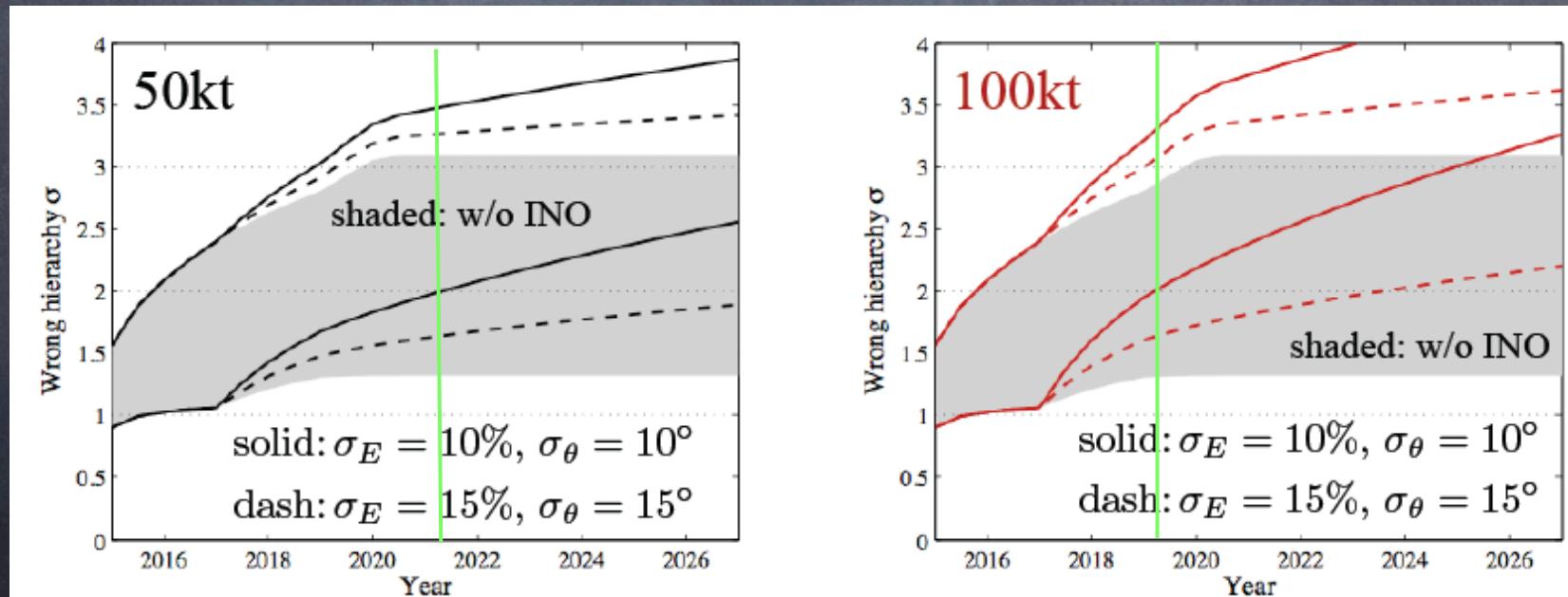
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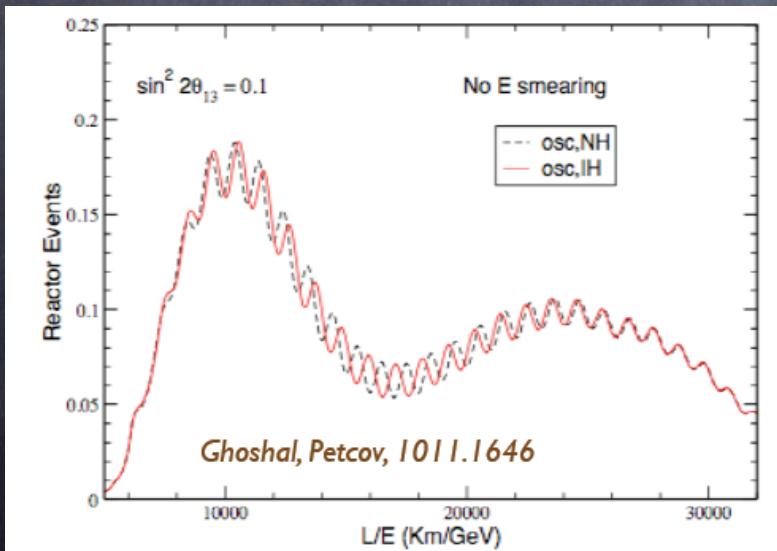
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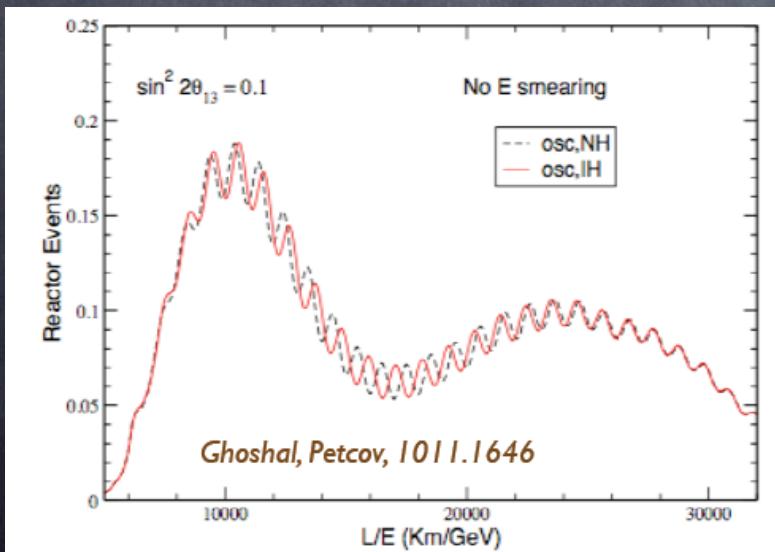
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Zhan et al, PRD 79 (2009) 073007.

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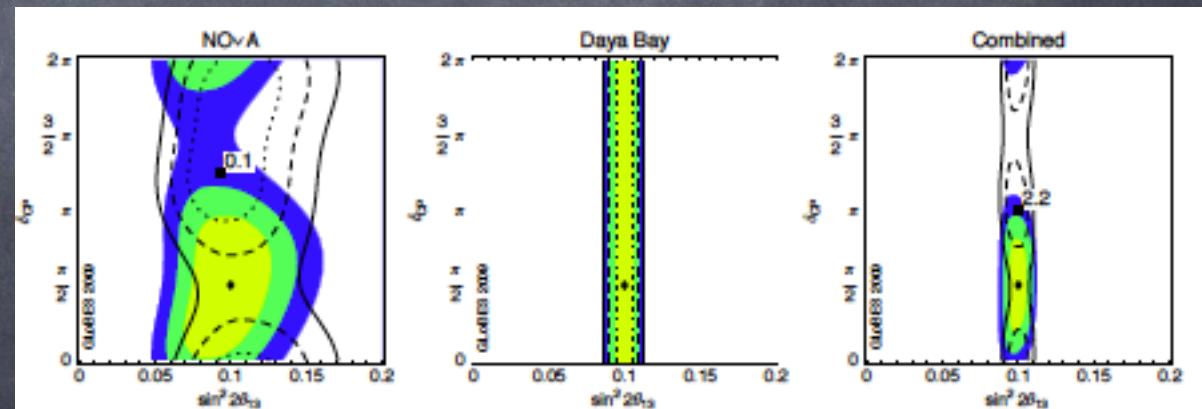
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⇒ slight improvement on $\sum m_\nu$ expected from Planck.

(weak lensing of galaxies + Planck ~ 0.05 eV)

Hannestad et al, JCAP 0606 (2006) 025

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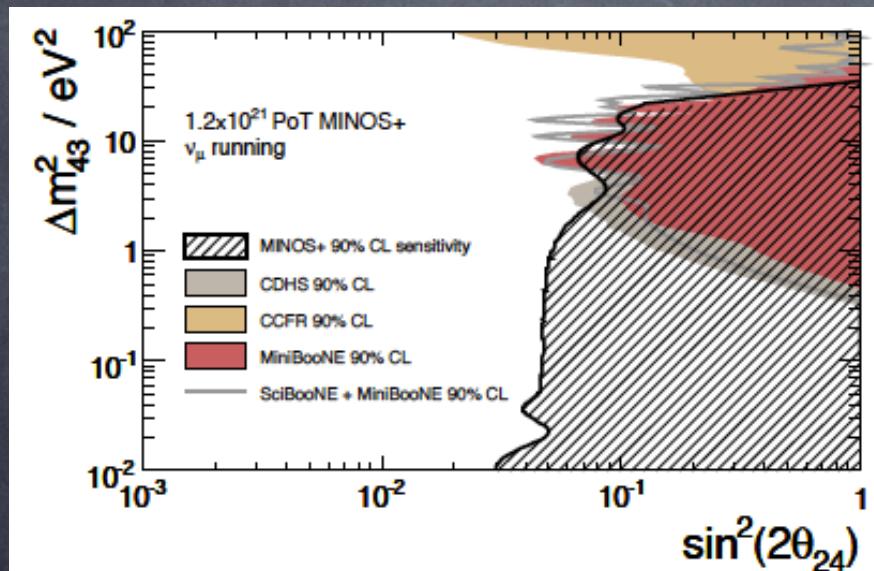
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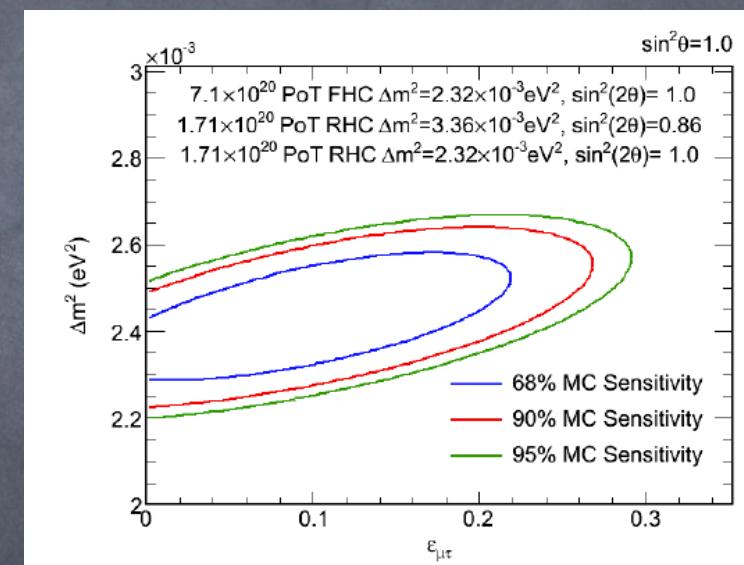
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⇒ high statistics neutrino data collected in MINOS FD will test the existence of NSI and sterile neutrinos



MINOS+ sensitivity to θ_{24}



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Summary

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- * Oscillation parameters are measured accurately ($\lesssim 10\%$) by the combination of different experiments.
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- * Theoretical efforts should be made to accommodate the neutrino masses and mixings in a consistent theory.
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- * Questions to be answered by the next generation of neutrino experiments: δ_{CP} , mass hierarchy, new physics...