

Neutrino Physics: Status and Perspectives

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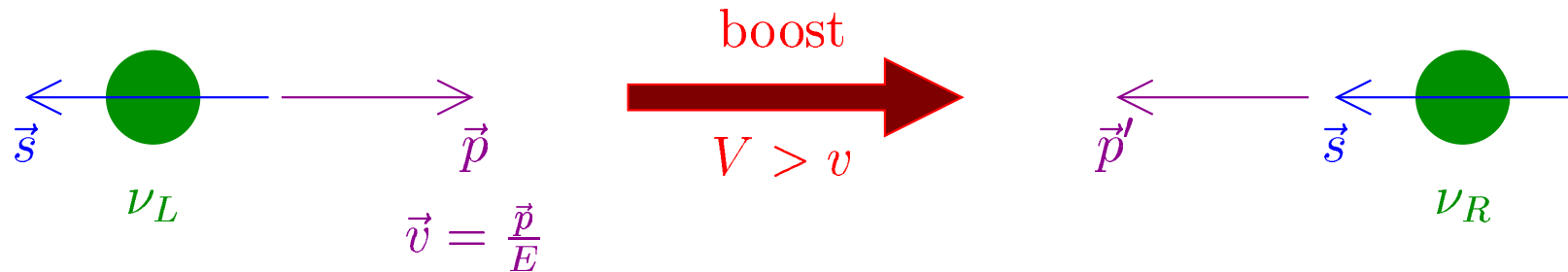
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Introduction to Neutrino Masses, Mixing and Oscillations

Solar $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$ + Atmospheric $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau \implies$ 3- ν Mixing

Absolute Scale of Neutrino Masses

Neutrino Mass



Standard Model: $\nu_L, \nu_R^c \implies$ no Dirac mass term $\mathcal{L}^D \sim m^D (\overline{\nu}_L \nu_R + \overline{\nu}_R \nu_L)$
 (no ν_R, ν_L^c)

Majorana Neutrino: $\nu \equiv \nu^c$

$\nu_R^c \equiv \nu_R \implies$ Majorana mass term $\mathcal{L}^M \sim m^M (\overline{\nu}_L \nu_R^c + \overline{\nu}_R^c \nu_L)$

Standard Model: Majorana mass term **not** allowed by $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
 (no Higgs triplet)

Standard Model can be extended with ν_R ($e_L, e_R; u_L, u_R; d_L, d_R; \dots$)

$\nu_L + \nu_R \Rightarrow$ Dirac mass term $\mathcal{L}^D \sim m^D (\bar{\nu}_L \nu_R + \bar{\nu}_R \nu_L) \Rightarrow m^D \lesssim 100 \text{ GeV}$

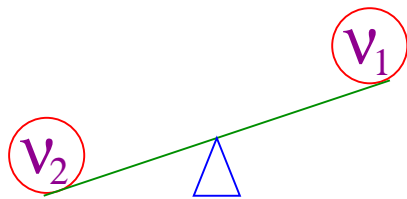
surprise: Majorana mass for ν_R is allowed! $\mathcal{L}_R^M \sim m_R^M (\bar{\nu}_L^c \nu_R + \bar{\nu}_R \nu_L^c)$

total neutrino mass term $\mathcal{L}^{D+M} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}_L & \bar{\nu}_L^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m^D \\ m^D & m_R^M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_R^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix}$

m_R^M can be arbitrarily large (not protected by SM symmetries)

$m_R^M \sim$ scale of new physics beyond Standard Model $\Rightarrow m_R^M \gg m^D$

diagonalization of $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & m^D \\ m^D & m_R^M \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow m_1 \simeq \frac{(m^D)^2}{m_R^M}, \quad m_2 \simeq m_R^M$



natural explanation of
smallness of neutrino masses

see-saw mechanism

massive neutrinos are Majorana!

Standard Model:

Lepton numbers are conserved

	L_e	L_μ	L_τ		L_e	L_μ	L_τ
(ν_e, e^-)	+1	0	0	(ν_e^c, e^+)	-1	0	0
(ν_μ, μ^-)	0	+1	0	(ν_μ^c, μ^+)	0	-1	0
(ν_τ, τ^-)	0	0	+1	(ν_τ^c, τ^+)	0	0	-1

$$L = L_e + L_\mu + L_\tau$$

Dirac mass term $m^D \overline{\nu}_L \nu_R \Rightarrow (\overline{\nu}_{eL} \quad \overline{\nu}_{\mu L} \quad \overline{\nu}_{\tau L}) \begin{pmatrix} m_{ee}^D & m_{e\mu}^D & m_{e\tau}^D \\ m_{\mu e}^D & m_{\mu\mu}^D & m_{\mu\tau}^D \\ m_{\tau e}^D & m_{\tau\mu}^D & m_{\tau\tau}^D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eR} \\ \nu_{\mu R} \\ \nu_{\tau R} \end{pmatrix}$

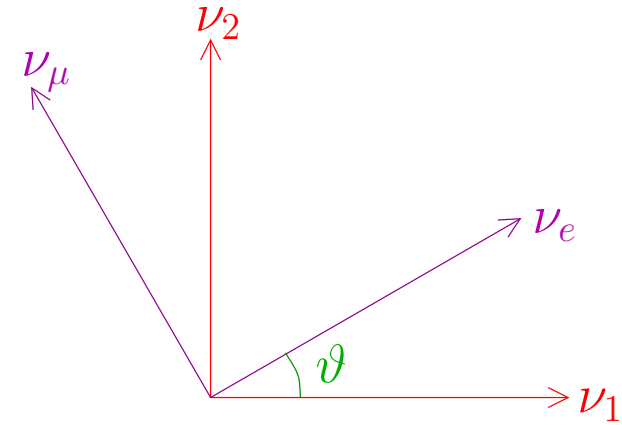
L_e, L_μ, L_τ are not conserved, but L is conserved $L(\nu_{\alpha R}) = L(\nu_{\beta L}) \Rightarrow |\Delta L| = 0$

Majorana mass term $m^M \overline{\nu}_L \nu_R^c \Rightarrow (\overline{\nu}_{eL} \quad \overline{\nu}_{\mu L} \quad \overline{\nu}_{\tau L}) \begin{pmatrix} m_{ee}^M & m_{e\mu}^M & m_{e\tau}^M \\ m_{\mu e}^M & m_{\mu\mu}^M & m_{\mu\tau}^M \\ m_{\tau e}^M & m_{\tau\mu}^M & m_{\tau\tau}^M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eR}^c \\ \nu_{\mu R}^c \\ \nu_{\tau R}^c \end{pmatrix}$

L, L_e, L_μ, L_τ are not conserved $L(\nu_{\alpha R}^c) = -L(\nu_{\beta L}) \Rightarrow |\Delta L| = 2$

Two-Neutrino Mixing and Oscillations

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^2 U_{\alpha k} |\nu_k\rangle \quad (\alpha = e, \mu)$$



$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta & \sin \vartheta \\ -\sin \vartheta & \cos \vartheta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu_e\rangle &= \cos \vartheta |\nu_1\rangle + \sin \vartheta |\nu_2\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle &= -\sin \vartheta |\nu_1\rangle + \cos \vartheta |\nu_2\rangle \end{aligned}$$

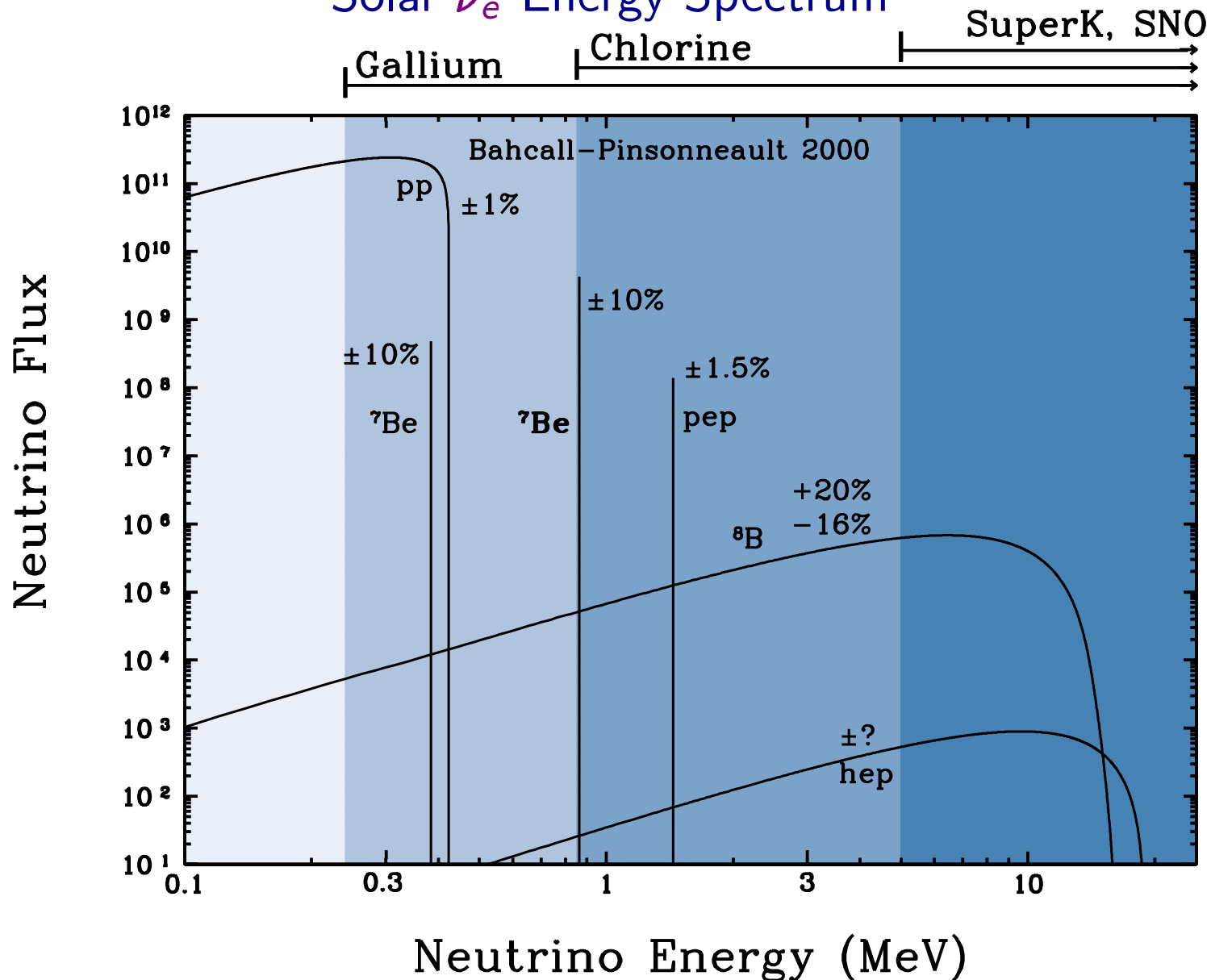
$$\Delta m^2 \equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2$$

Transition Probability: $P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e} = \sin^2 2\vartheta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$

Survival Probabilities: $P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} = P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = 1 - P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}$

Solar Neutrinos

Solar ν_e Energy Spectrum



[J.N. Bahcall, <http://www.sns.ias.edu/~jnb>]

Homestake+Kam.+GALLEX+SAGE+Super-K+SNO

$$\Phi_{\nu_e}^{\text{SNO}} = 1.76 \pm 0.11 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\Phi_{\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau}^{\text{SNO}} = 5.09 \pm 0.66 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

SNO solved
solar neutrino problem



Neutrino Physics
(April 2002)

[SNO, PRL 89 (2002) 011301, nucl-ex/0204008]

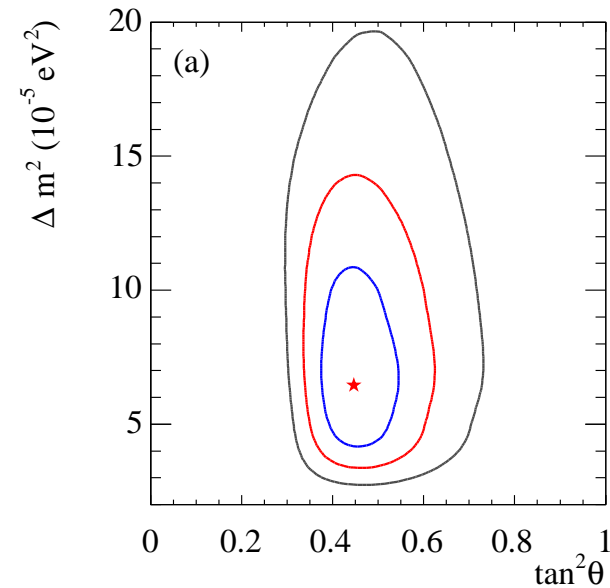
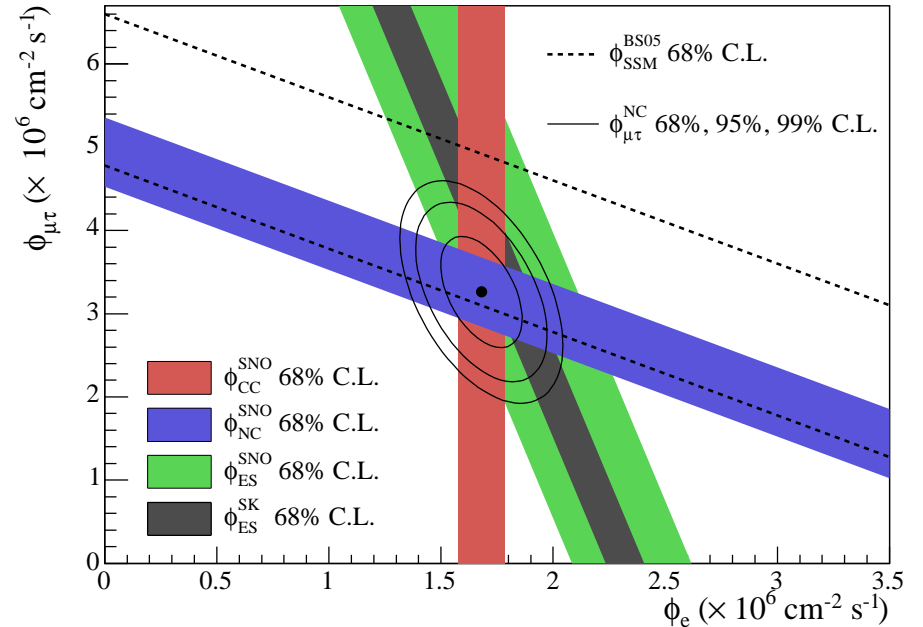
$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$ oscillations



LMA: Large Mixing Angle solution

$$\Delta m^2 \simeq 6.5_{-2.3}^{+4.4} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

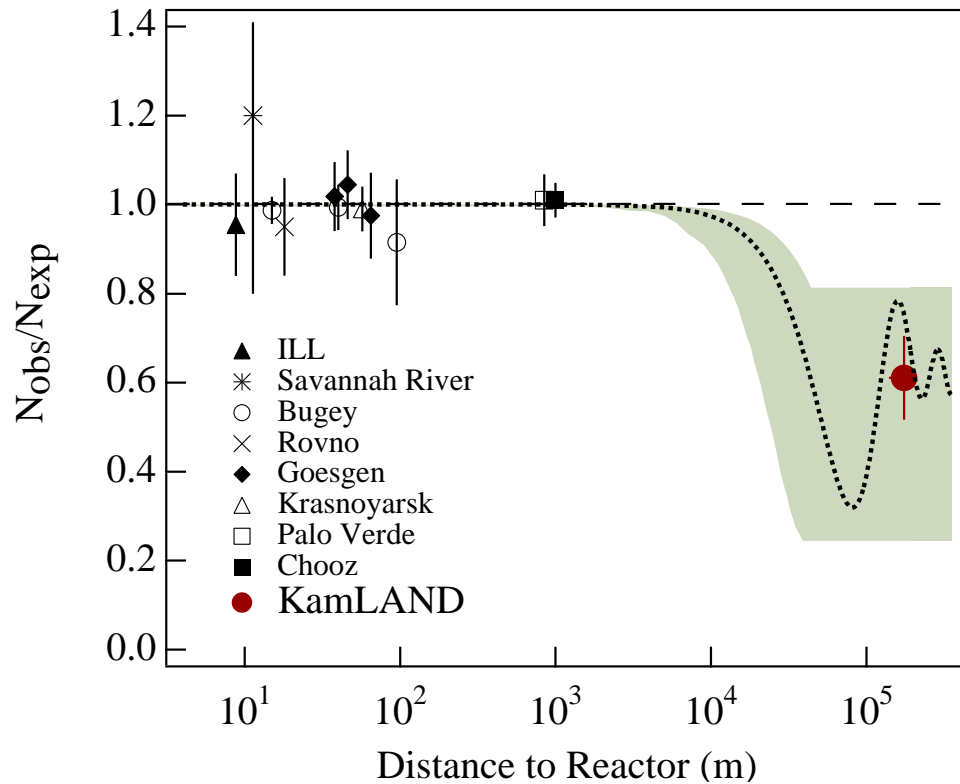
$$\tan^2 \vartheta \simeq 0.45_{-0.08}^{+0.09}$$



[SNO, PRC 72 (2005) 055502, nucl-ex/0502021]

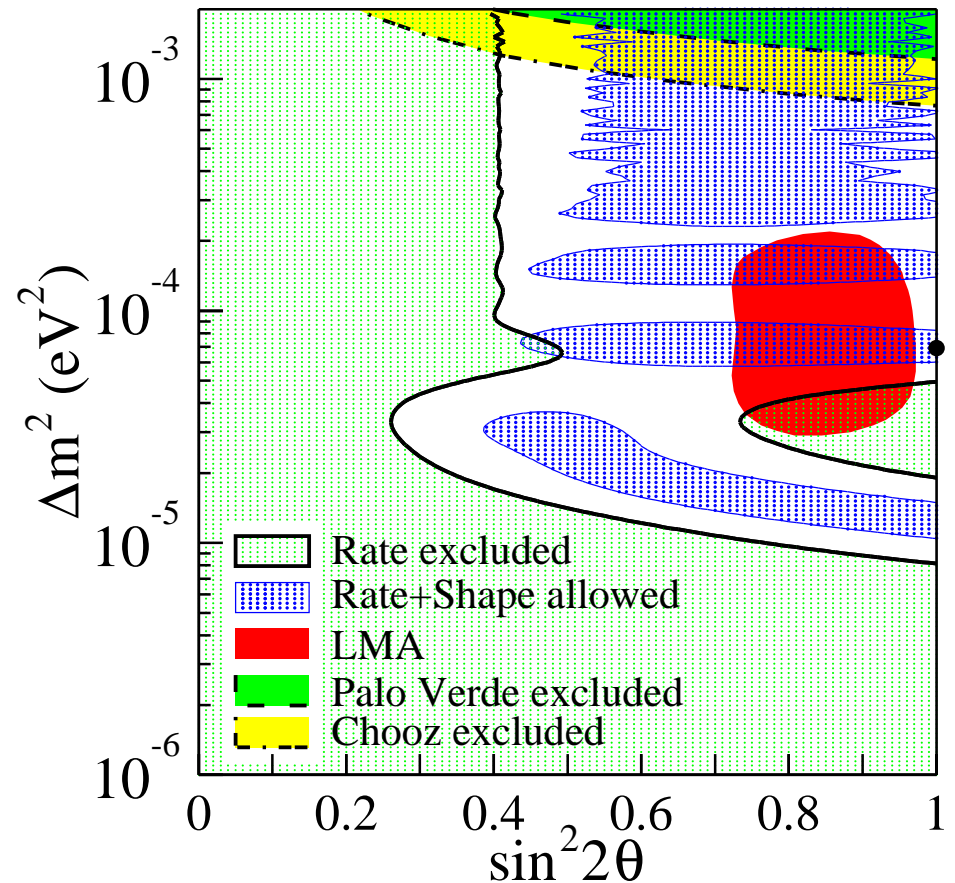
KamLAND

Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$: confirmation of LMA (December 2002)



Shade: 95% C.L. LMA

Curve:
$$\begin{cases} \Delta m^2 = 5.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.83 \end{cases}$$

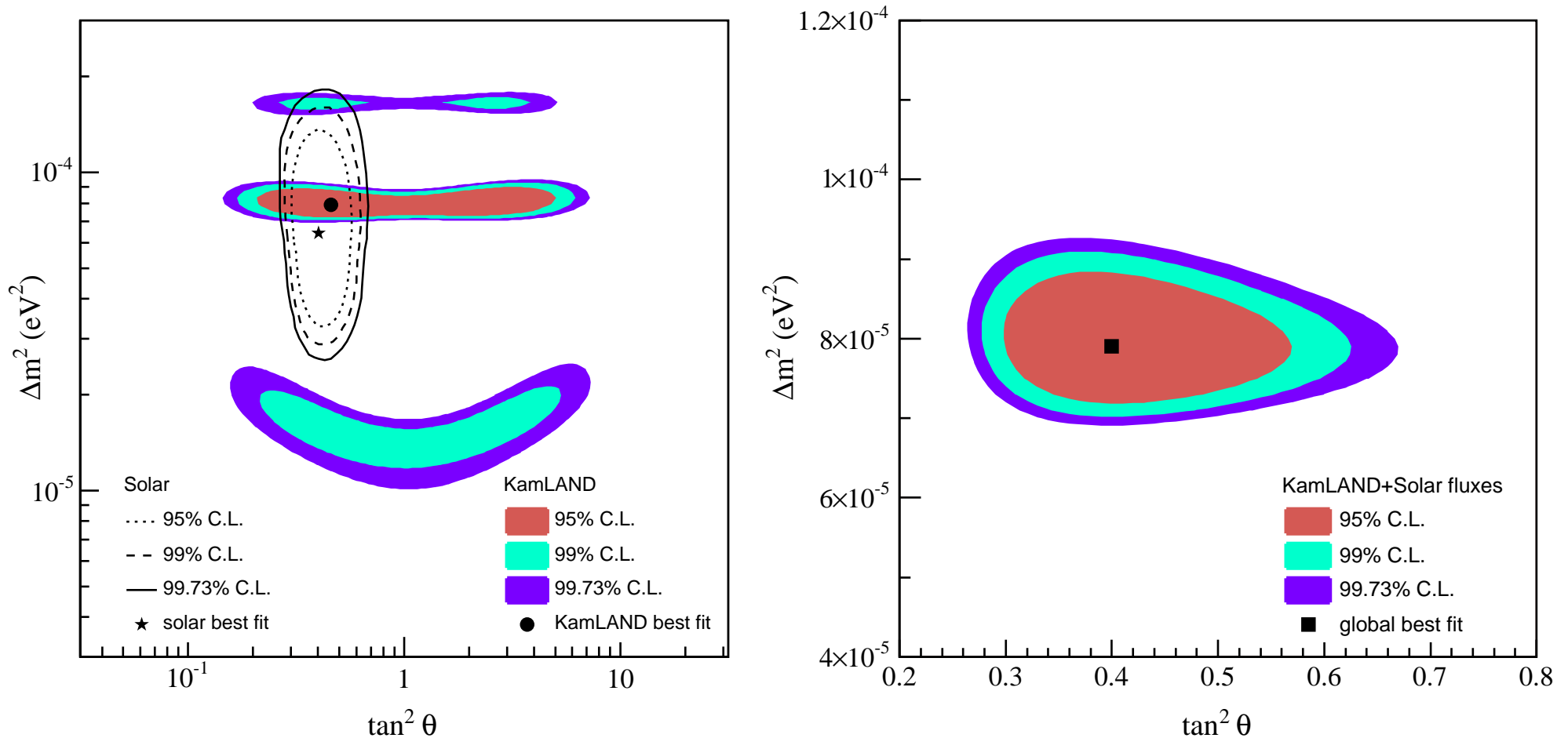


95% C.L.

[KamLAND, PRL 90 (2003) 021802, hep-ex/0212021]

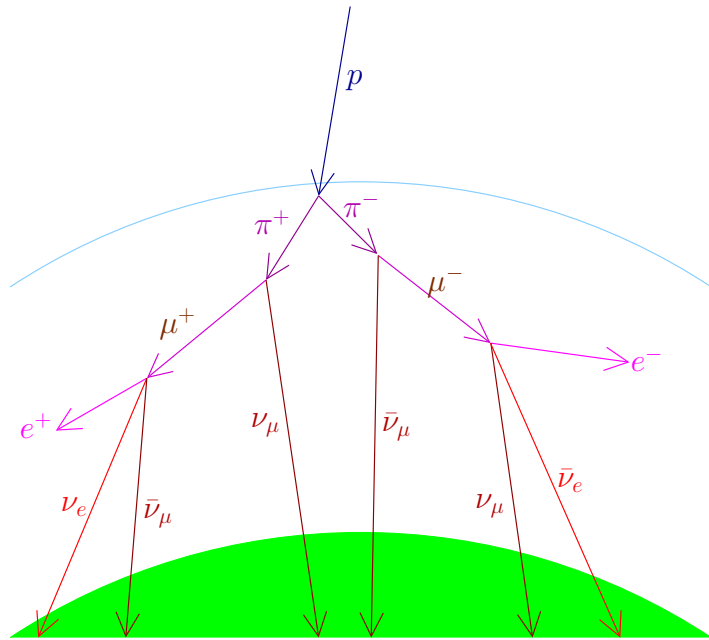
Combined Fit of Solar and Reactor Neutrino Data

[KamLAND, hep-ex/0406035]



Best Fit: $\Delta m^2 = 0.82_{-0.5}^{+0.6} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ $\tan^2 \vartheta = 0.40_{-0.07}^{+0.09}$

Atmospheric Neutrinos



$$\frac{N(\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu)}{N(\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e)} \simeq 2 \quad \text{at } E \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$$

uncertainty on ratios: $\sim 5\%$

uncertainty on fluxes: $\sim 30\%$

ratio of ratios

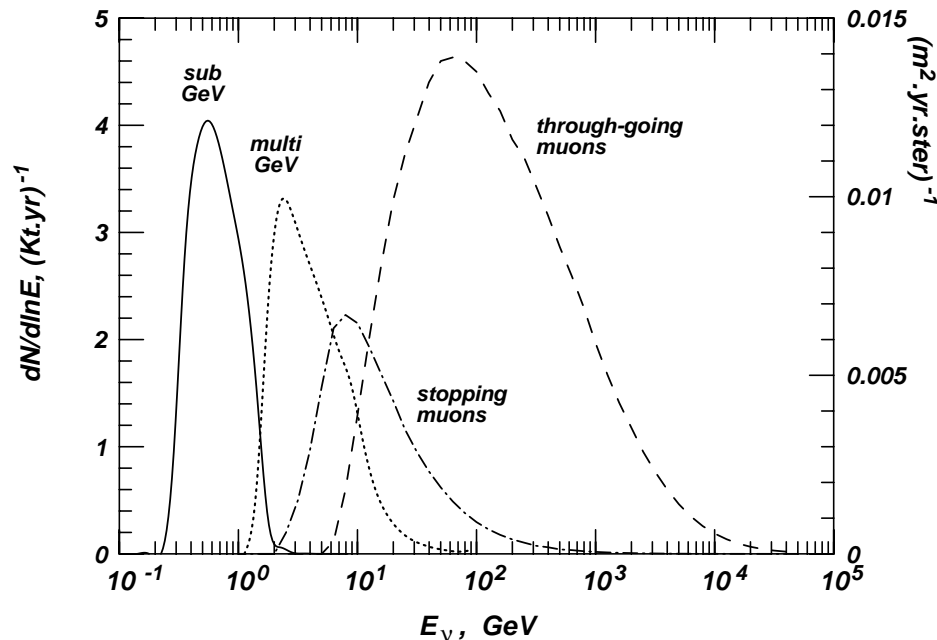
$$R \equiv \frac{[N(\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu)/N(\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e)]_{\text{data}}}{[N(\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu)/N(\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e)]_{\text{MC}}}$$

$$R_{\text{sub-GeV}}^{\text{K}} = 0.60 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.05$$

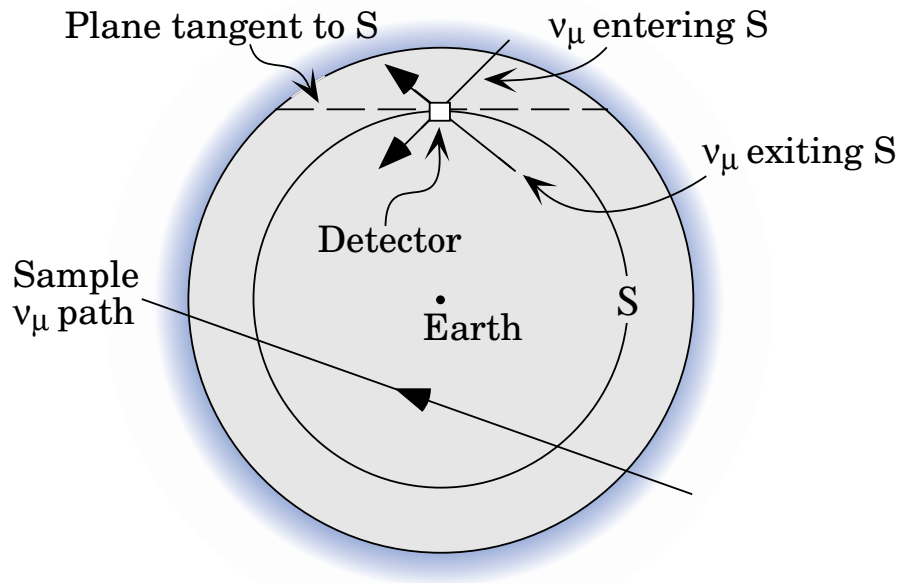
[Kamiokande, PLB 280 (1992) 146]

$$R_{\text{multi-GeV}}^{\text{K}} = 0.57 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.07$$

[Kamiokande, PLB 335 (1994) 237]



Super-Kamiokande Up-Down Asymmetry



- any path entering the sphere S later exits
- steady state $\Rightarrow \Phi^{\text{in}}(S) = \Phi^{\text{out}}(S)$
- $E_\nu \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$ isotropic flux of cosmic rays
- homogeneity $\Rightarrow \Phi^{\text{in}}(s) = \Phi^{\text{out}}(s), \forall s \in S$
- $D \in S \Rightarrow \Phi^{\text{up}}(D) = \Phi^{\text{down}}(D),$

[B. Kayser, Rev. Part. Prop., PRD 66 (2002) 010001]

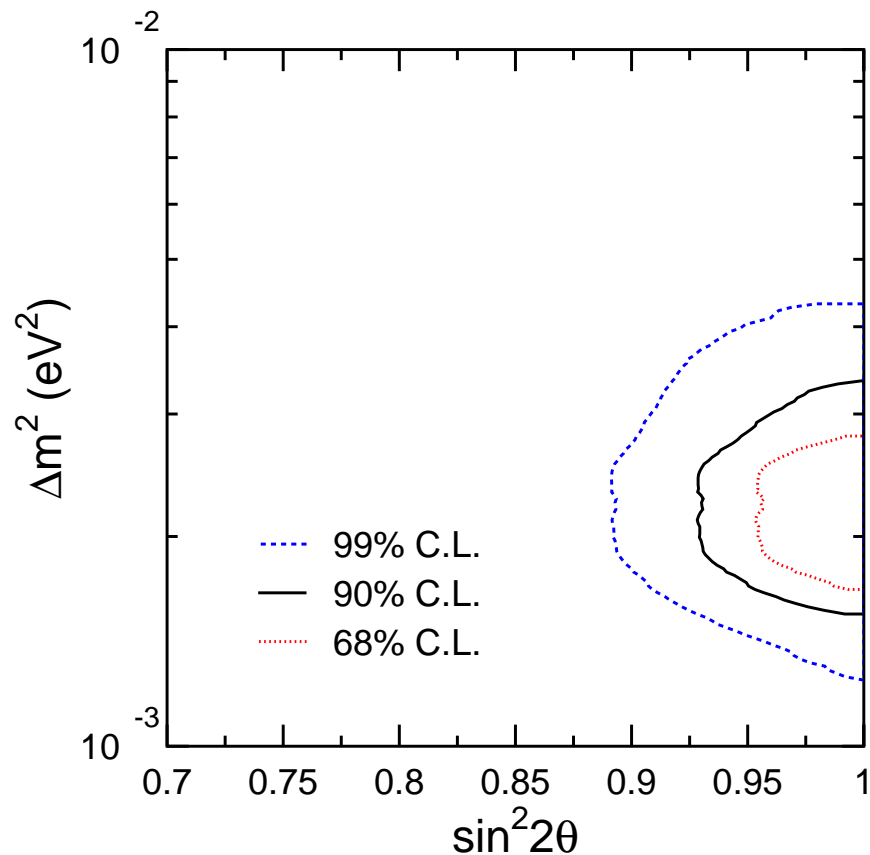
(December 1998)

$$A_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{up-down}}(\text{SK}) = \left(\frac{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{up}} - N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{down}}}{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{up}} + N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{down}}} \right) = -0.296 \pm 0.048 \pm 0.01$$

[Super-Kamiokande, Phys. Rev. Lett. 81 (1998) 1562, hep-ex/9807003]

6σ MODEL INDEPENDENT EVIDENCE OF ν_μ DISAPPEARANCE!

Fit of Super-Kamiokande Atmospheric Data



$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$

Best Fit: $\begin{cases} \Delta m^2 = 2.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta = 1.0 \end{cases}$

1489.2 live-days (Apr 1996 – Jul 2001)

[Super-Kamiokande, PRD 71 (2005) 112005, hep-ex/0501064]

Measure of ν_τ CC Int. is Difficult:

- ▶ $E_{\text{th}} = 3.5 \text{ GeV} \implies \sim 20 \text{ events/yr}$
- ▶ τ -Decay \implies Many Final States

ν_τ -Enriched Sample

$$N_{\nu_\tau}^{\text{the}} = 78 \pm 26 @ \Delta m^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

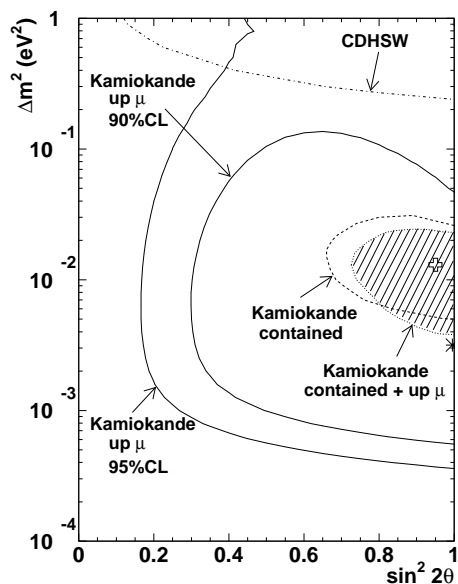
$$N_{\nu_\tau}^{\text{exp}} = 138_{-58}^{+50}$$

$$N_{\nu_\tau} > 0 @ 2.4\sigma$$

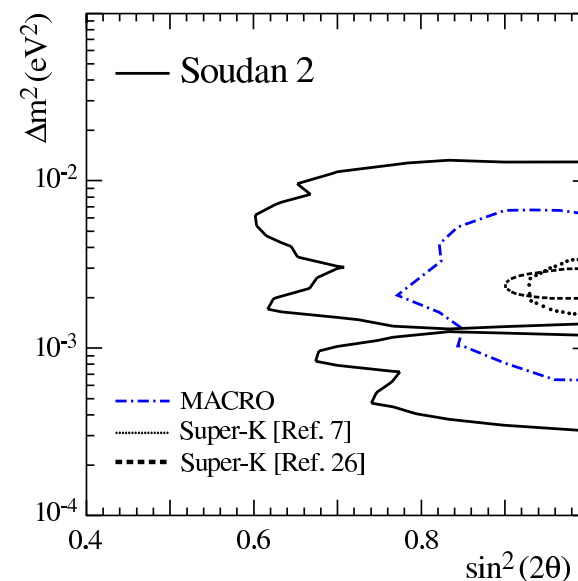
[Super-Kamiokande, hep-ex/0607059]

future: CNGS $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ (OPERA)

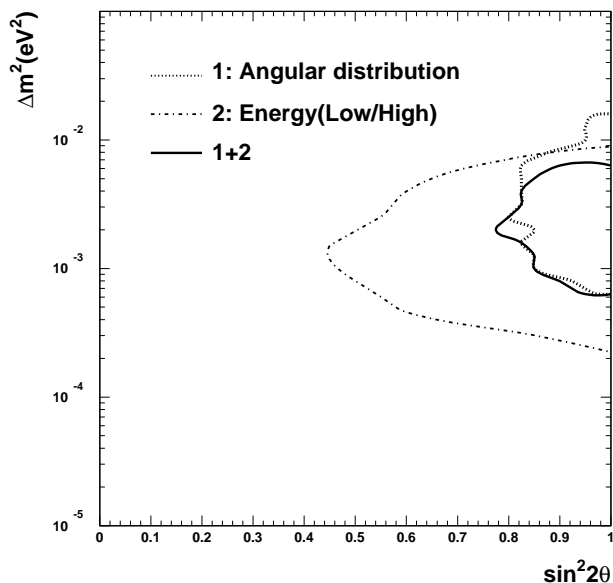
Kamiokande, Soudan-2, MACRO and MINOS



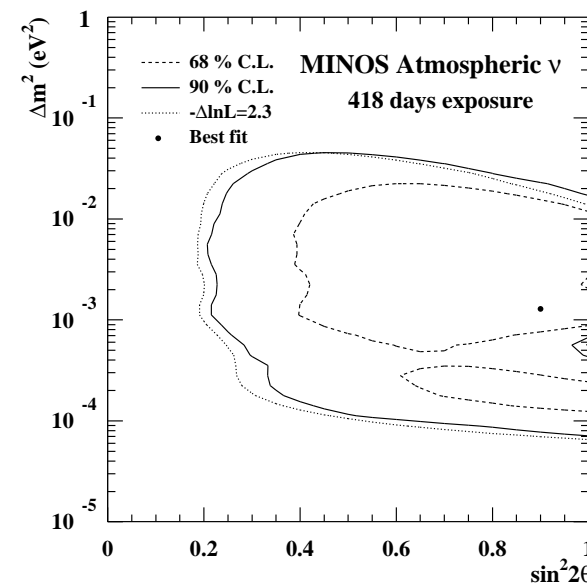
[Kamiokande, hep-ex/9806038]



[Soudan 2, hep-ex/0507068]



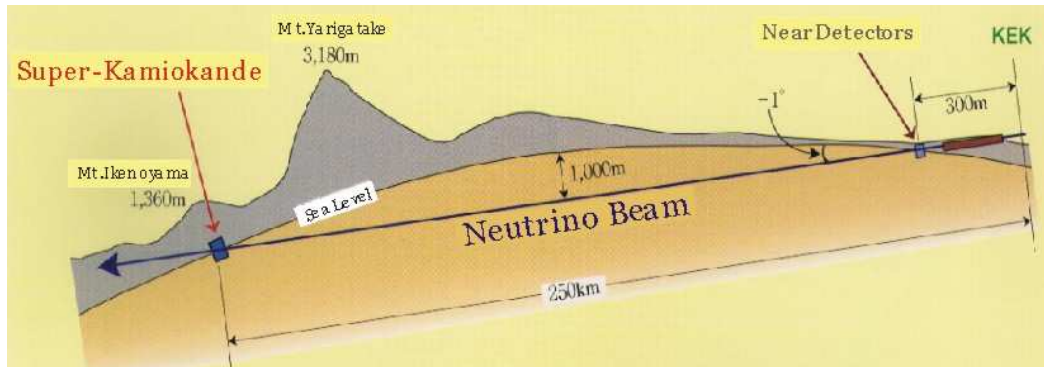
[MACRO, hep-ex/0304037]



[MINOS, hep-ex/0512036]

K2K

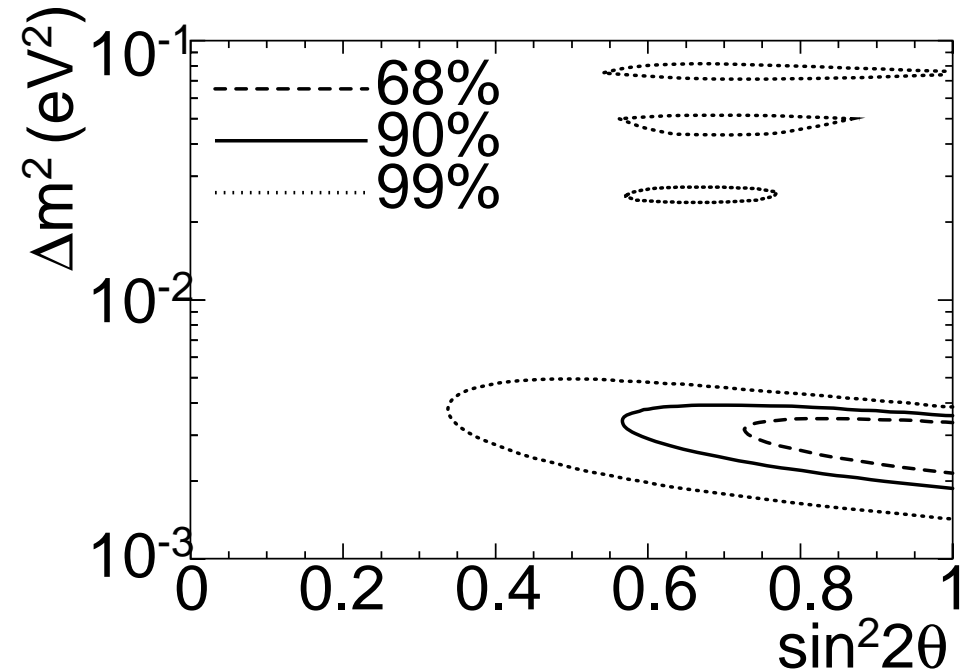
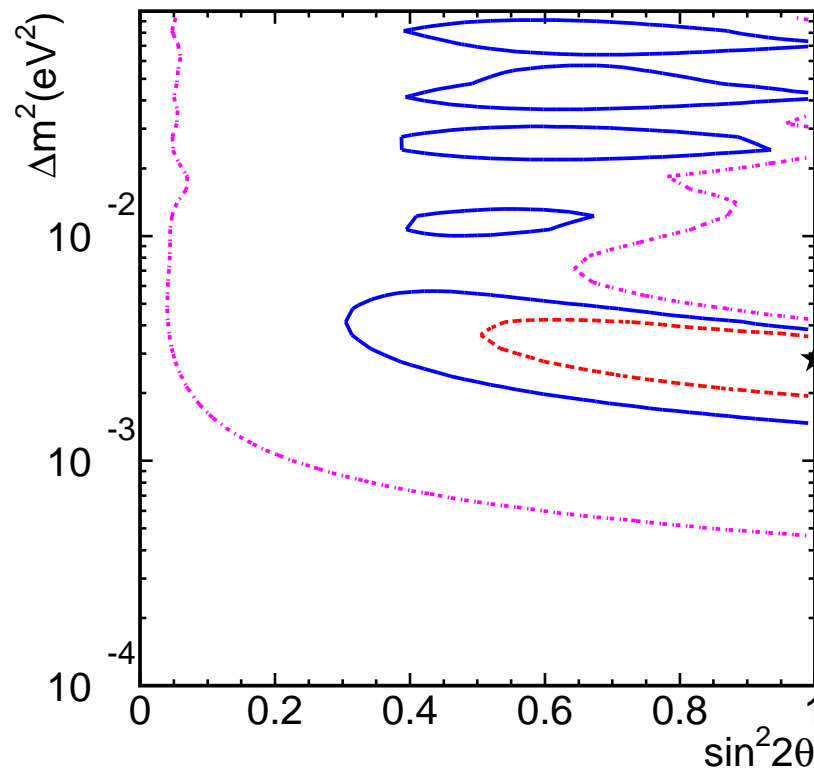
confirmation of atmospheric allowed region (June 2002)



KEK to Kamioka
(Super-Kamiokande)

250 km

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$



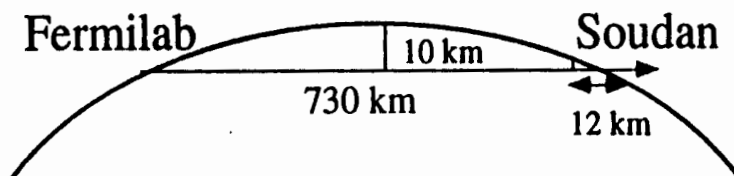
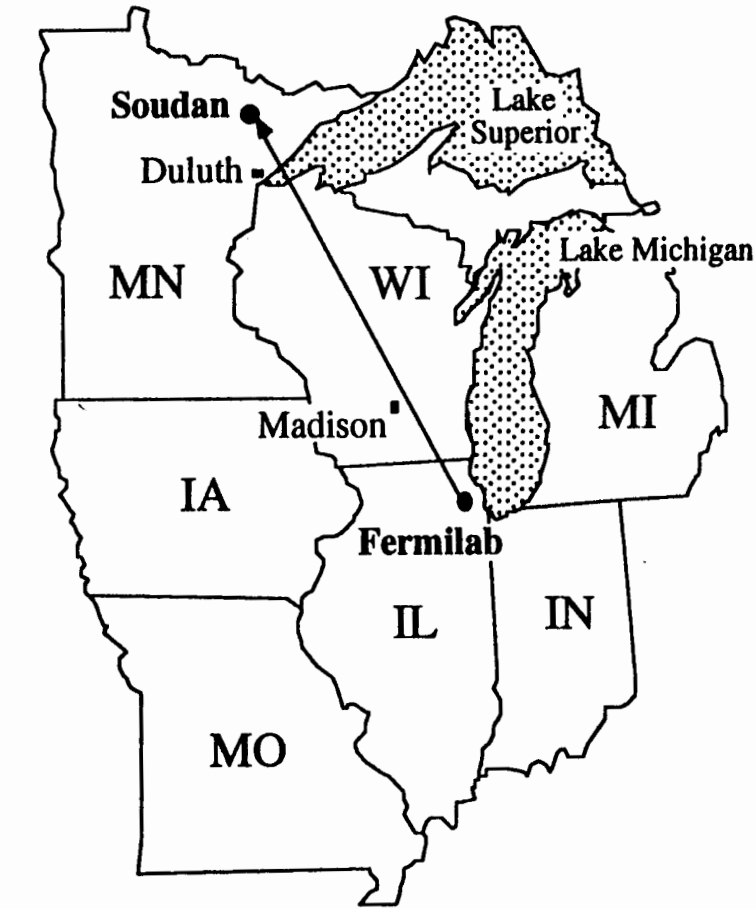
[K2K, hep-ex/0411038]

[K2K, Phys. Rev. Lett. 90 (2003) 041801]

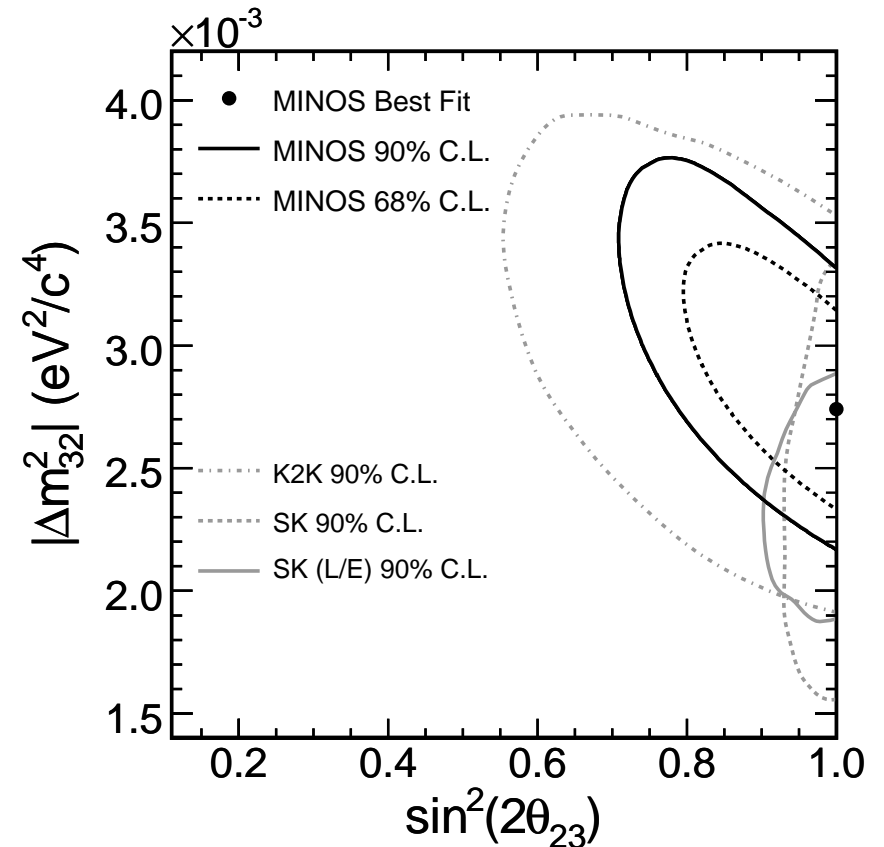
MINOS

May 2005 – Feb 2006

<http://www-numi.fnal.gov/>



Near Detector: 1 km



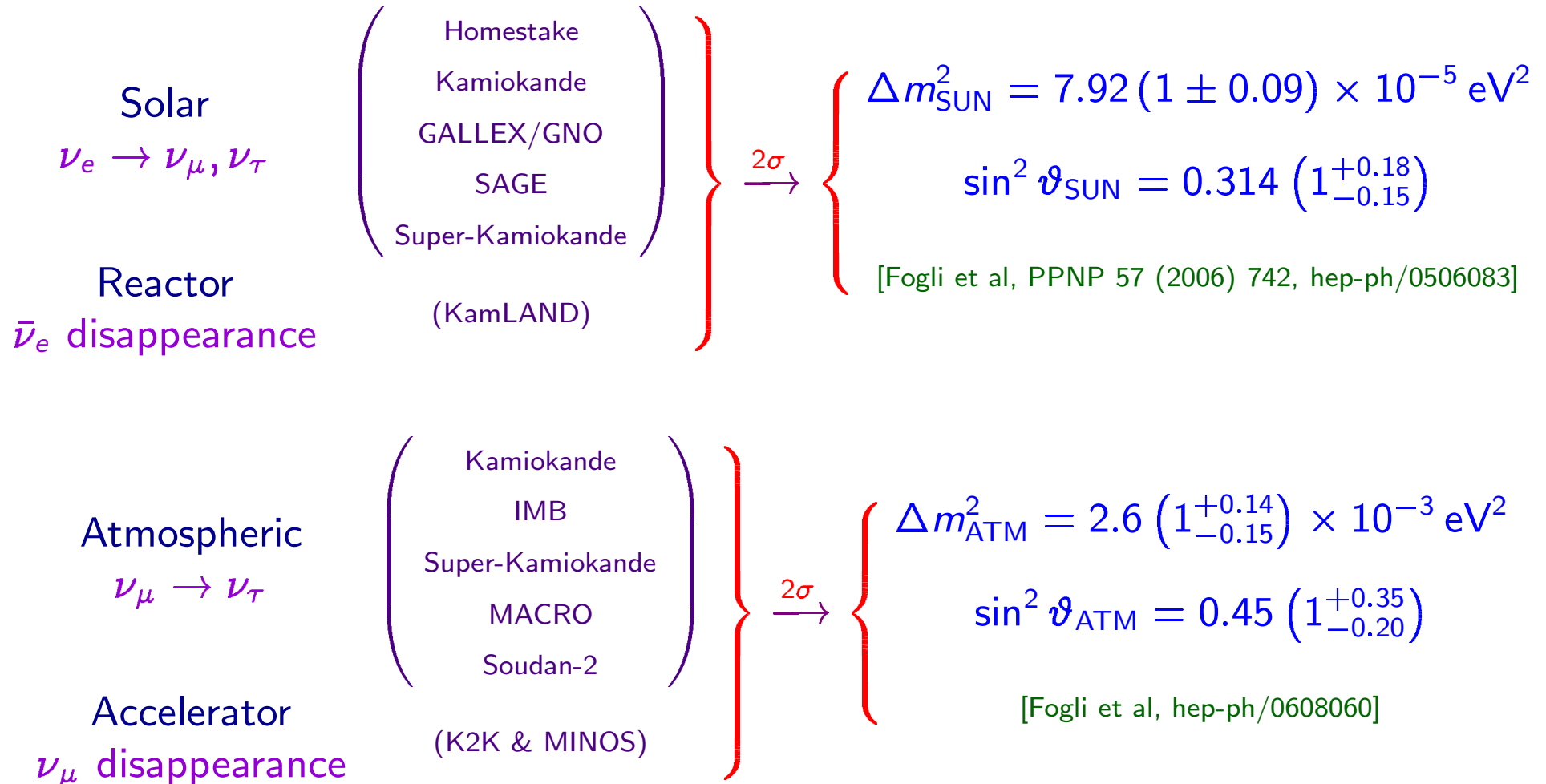
$$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$$

$$\Delta m^2 = 2.74^{+0.44}_{-0.26} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta > 0.87 @ 68\% CL$$

[MINOS, hep-ex/0607088]

Experimental Evidences of Neutrino Oscillations



Three-Neutrino Mixing

$$\nu_{\alpha L} = \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{\alpha k} \nu_{kL} \quad (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau)$$

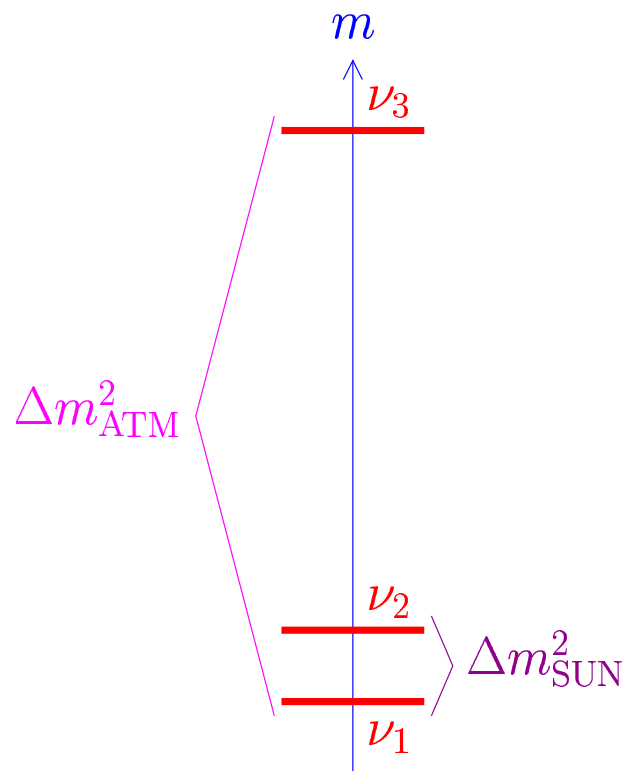
three flavor fields ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ

three massive fields ν_1, ν_2, ν_3

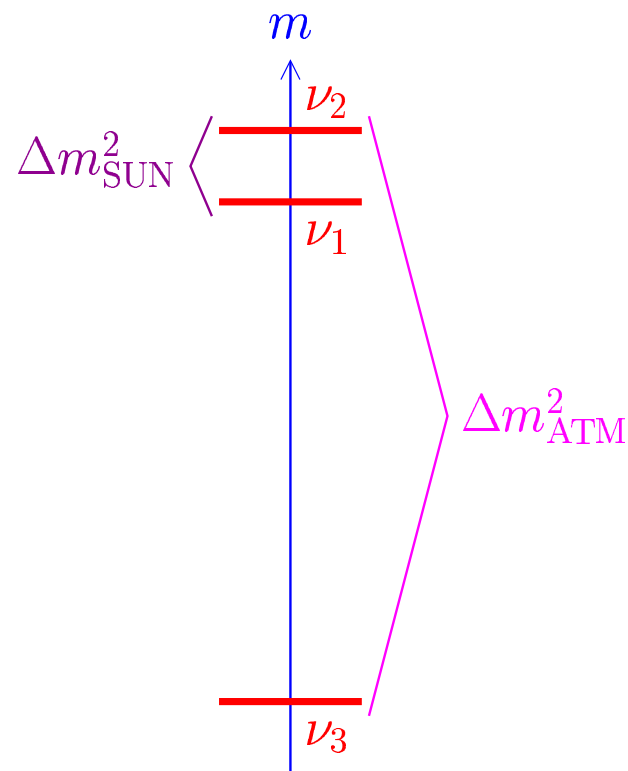
$$\Delta m_{\text{SUN}}^2 = \Delta m_{21}^2 \simeq 8.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2 \simeq |\Delta m_{31}^2| \simeq |\Delta m_{32}^2| \simeq 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

Allowed Three-Neutrino Schemes



"normal"



"inverted"

different signs of $\Delta m_{31}^2 \simeq \Delta m_{32}^2$

absolute scale is not determined by neutrino oscillation data

Mixing Matrix

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \ll |\Delta m_{31}^2|$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix}$$

SUN →
↑
ATM

$$\text{CHOOZ: } \begin{cases} \Delta m_{\text{CHOOZ}}^2 = \Delta m_{31}^2 = \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\text{CHOOZ}} = 4|U_{e3}|^2(1 - |U_{e3}|^2) \end{cases}$$

$$|U_{e3}|^2 < 5 \times 10^{-2} \quad (99.73\% \text{ C.L.})$$

[Fogli et al., PRD 66 (2002) 093008]

SOLAR AND ATMOSPHERIC ν OSCILLATIONS ARE PRACTICALLY DECOUPLED!

[CHOOZ, PLB 466 (1999) 415]

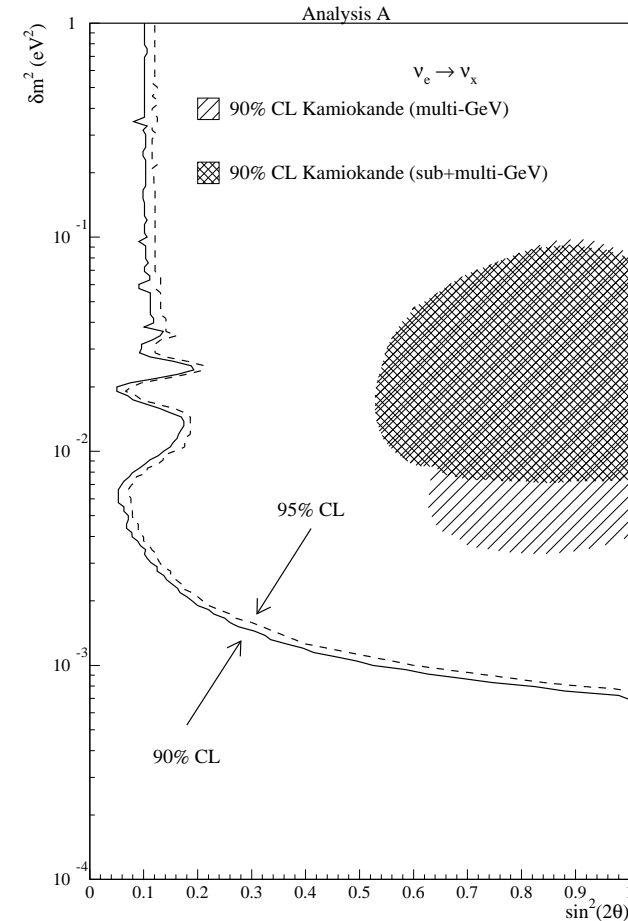
see also [Palo Verde, PRD 64 (2001) 112001]

TWO-NEUTRINO SOLAR and ATMOSPHERIC ν OSCILLATIONS ARE OK!

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{\text{SUN}} = \frac{|U_{e2}|^2}{1 - |U_{e3}|^2} \simeq |U_{e2}|^2 \quad \sin^2 \vartheta_{\text{ATM}} = |U_{\mu 3}|^2$$

[Bilenky, C.G, PLB 444 (1998) 379]

[Guo, Xing, PRD 67 (2003) 053002]



Standard Parameterization of Mixing Matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eL} \\ \nu_{\mu L} \\ \nu_{\tau L} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1L} \\ \nu_{2L} \\ \nu_{3L} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vartheta_{23} \simeq \vartheta_{\text{ATM}}$ $\vartheta_{13} = \vartheta_{\text{CHOOZ}}$ $\vartheta_{12} = \vartheta_{\text{SUN}}$ $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{CHOOZ} + \text{SK} + \text{MINOS} \implies \sin^2 \vartheta_{\text{CHOOZ}} = 0.008_{-0.008}^{+0.023} @ 2\sigma$$

[Fogli et al, hep-ph/0608060]

Global Fit of Oscillation Data: Bilarge Mixing

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.92 (1 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 \vartheta_{12} = 0.314 (1_{-0.15}^{+0.18})$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| = 2.6 (1_{-0.15}^{+0.14}) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} = 0.45 (1_{-0.20}^{+0.35})$$

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{13} = 0.008_{-0.008}^{+0.023}$$

[Fogli et al, hep-ph/0608060]

$$|U|_{\text{bf}} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0.82 & 0.56 & 0.09 \\ 0.37 - 0.47 & 0.58 - 0.65 & 0.67 \\ 0.32 - 0.43 & 0.52 - 0.59 & 0.74 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|U|_{2\sigma} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0.78 - 0.86 & 0.51 - 0.61 & 0.00 - 0.18 \\ 0.21 - 0.57 & 0.41 - 0.74 & 0.59 - 0.78 \\ 0.19 - 0.56 & 0.39 - 0.72 & 0.62 - 0.80 \end{pmatrix}$$

future: measure $\vartheta_{13} \neq 0 \implies$ CP violation, matter effects, mass hierarchy

Future Reactor Experiments

$$P_{\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e} \simeq 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{13} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right) \quad \langle E \rangle \simeq 3.6 \text{ MeV}$$

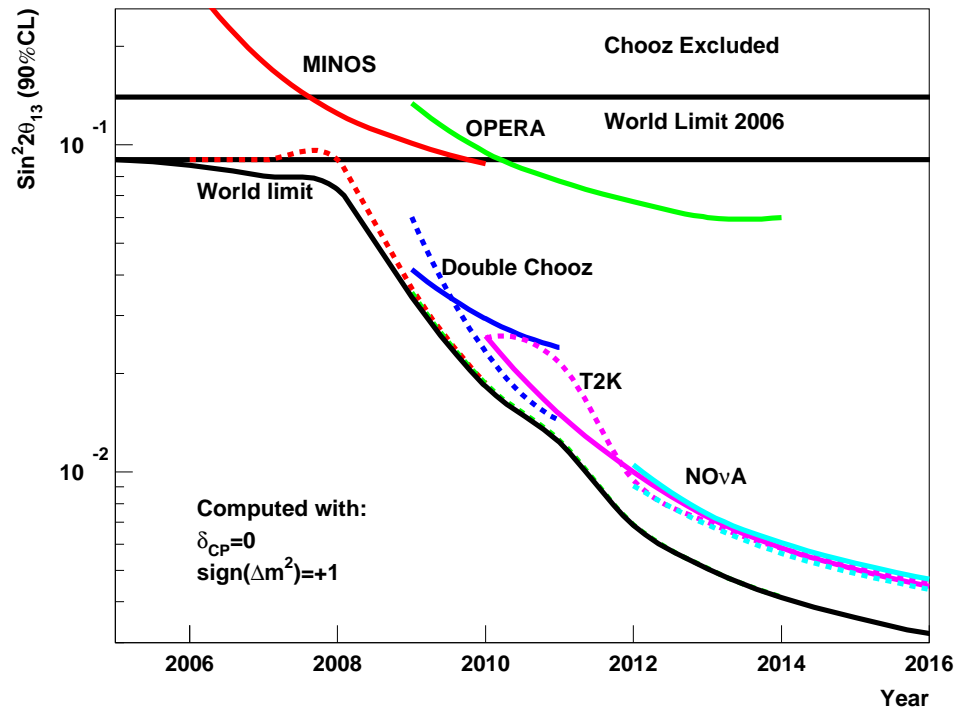
Exp.	Place	L (km)	Start (yr)	Duration (yr)	Sensitivity ($\sin^2 2\vartheta_{13}$)
Double-CHOOZ Far Detector	France	1.0	2008	1.5	0.06
Double-CHOOZ Near+Far	France	1.0	2010	3	0.03
KASKA	Japan		2010	3	0.02
RENO	Korea	1.5	2009	3	0.02
Daya Bay Near+Mid	China	1.0	2008	1	0.03
Daya Bay Near+Far	China	1.9	2010	3	0.01

Future Accelerator Experiments: Off-Axis

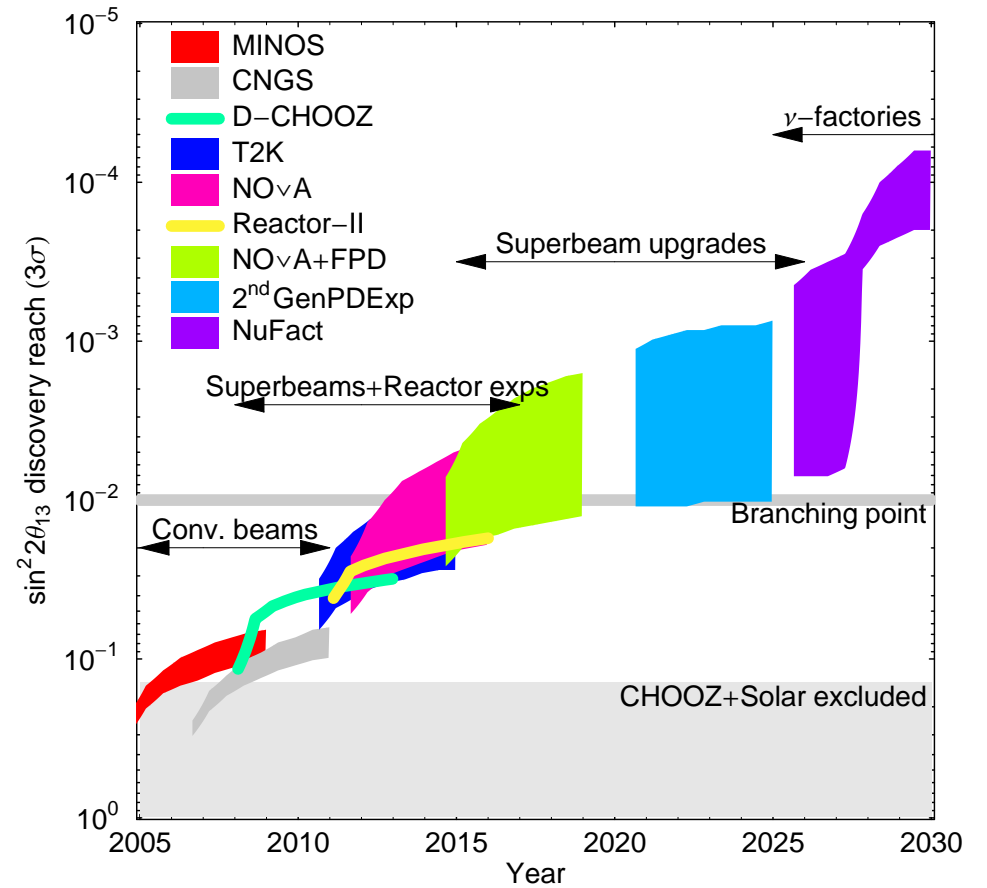
$$P_{\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e} \simeq \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{13} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4 E} \right)$$

Exp.	Place	$\langle E \rangle$ (GeV)	L (km)	Start (yr)	Duration (yr)	Sensitivity ($\sin^2 2\vartheta_{13}$)
T2K	Japan	0.7	295	2009	4	0.01
NO ν A	USA	2	810	2011	4	0.01

The Hunt for ϑ_{13}



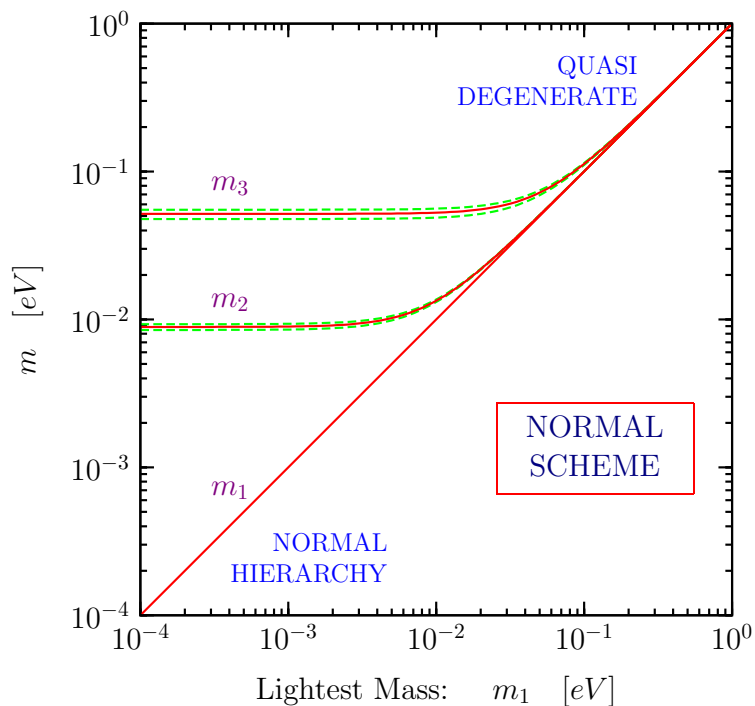
[Blondel et al, hep-ph/0606111]



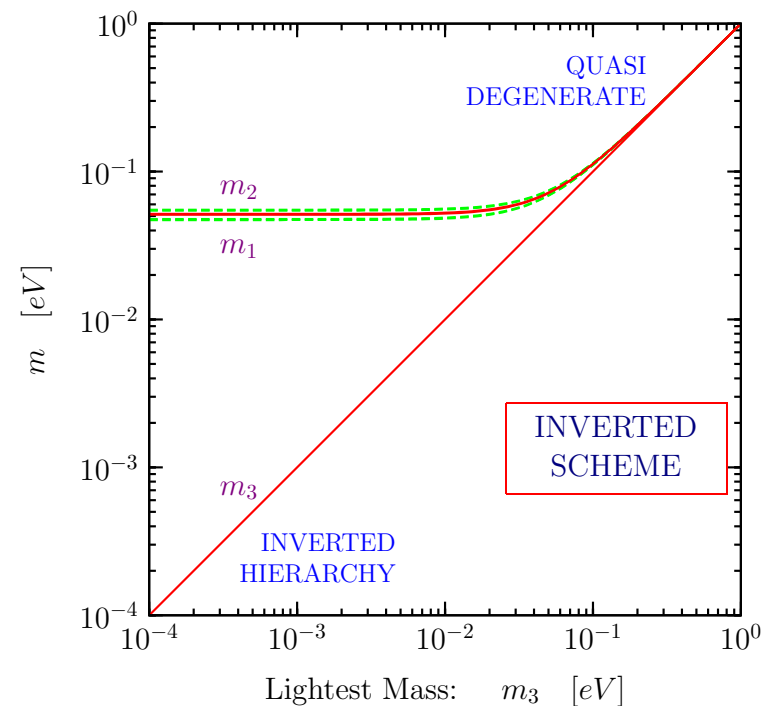
[Albrow et al, hep-ex/0509019]

Absolute Scale of Neutrino Masses

normal scheme



inverted scheme



$$m_2^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta m_{21}^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta m_{\text{SUN}}^2$$

$$m_3^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta m_{31}^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2$$

$$m_1^2 = m_3^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2 = m_3^2 + \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2$$

$$m_2^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta m_{21}^2 \simeq m_3^2 + \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2$$

Quasi-Degenerate for $m_1 \simeq m_2 \simeq m_3 \simeq m_\nu \gg \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2} \simeq 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$

Tritium Beta-Decay

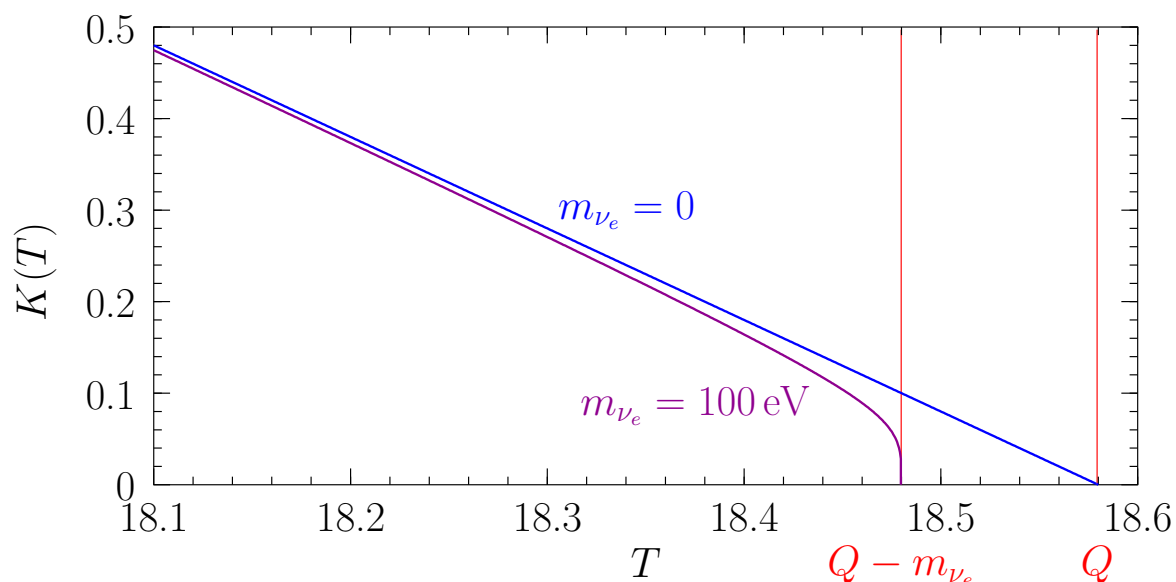
$$\underline{{}^3\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e} \quad \frac{d\Gamma}{dT} = \frac{(\cos\vartheta_C G_F)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) pE (Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2}$$

$$Q = M_{{}^3\text{H}} - M_{{}^3\text{He}} - m_e = 18.58 \text{ keV}$$

$$m_{\nu_e}^2 = m_\beta^2 = \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 m_k^2$$

Kurie plot

$$K(T) = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{d\Gamma/dT}{(\cos\vartheta_C G_F)^2 |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) pE}}{2\pi^3}} = \left[(Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2} \right]^{1/2}$$



$$m_{\nu_e} < 2.2 \text{ eV} \quad (95\% \text{ C.L.})$$

Mainz & Troitsk

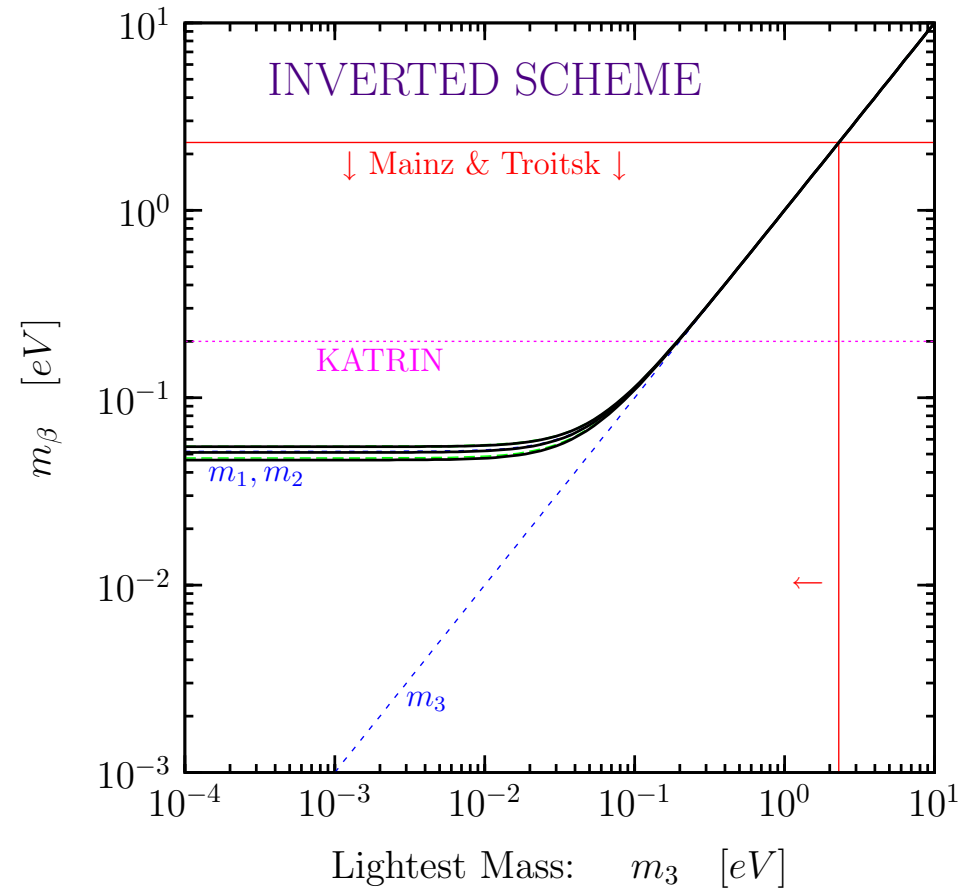
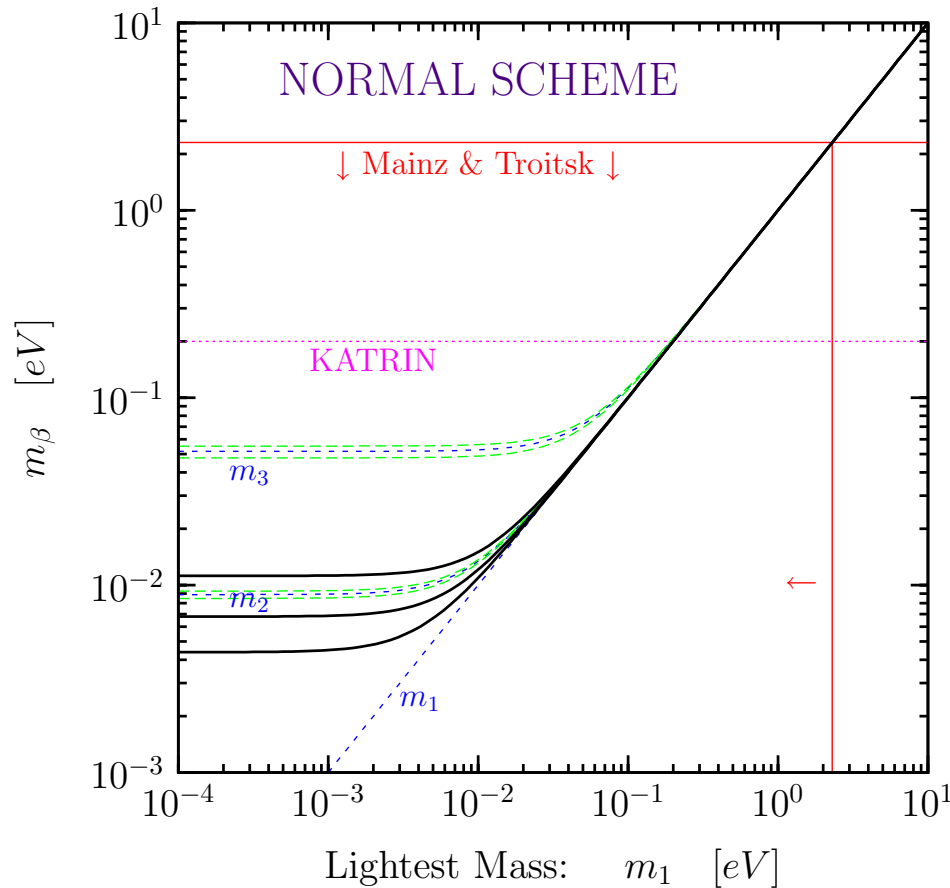
[Weinheimer, hep-ex/0210050]

future: KATRIN (start 2010)

[hep-ex/0109033] [hep-ex/0309007]

sensitivity: $m_{\nu_e} \simeq 0.2 \text{ eV}$

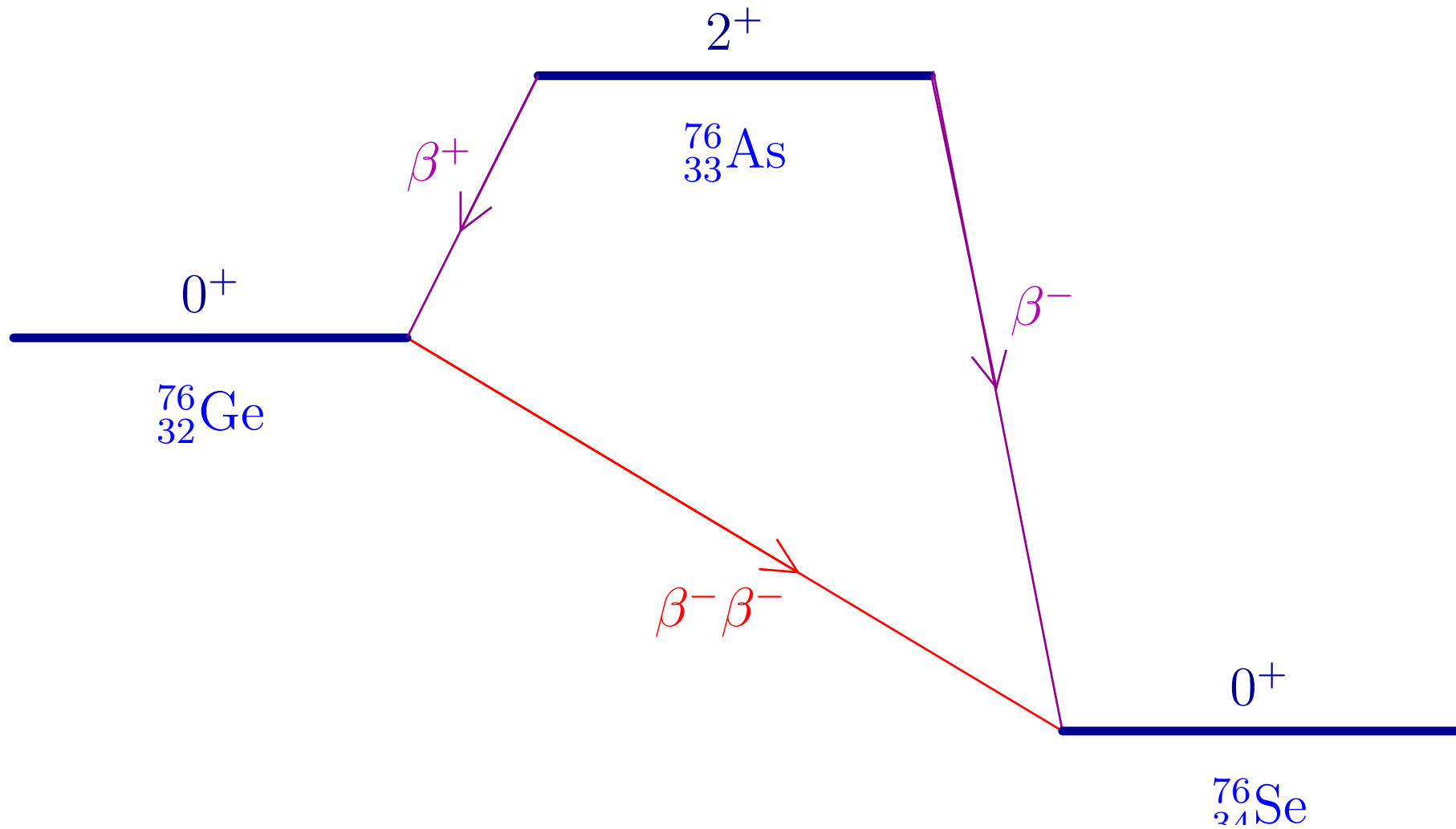
$$m_{\nu_e}^2 = m_\beta^2 = |U_{e1}|^2 m_1^2 + |U_{e2}|^2 m_2^2 + |U_{e3}|^2 m_3^2$$



Quasi-Degenerate: $m_1 \simeq m_2 \simeq m_3 \simeq m_\nu \implies m_\beta^2 \simeq m_\nu^2 \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 = m_\nu^2$

FUTURE: IF $m_\beta \lesssim 4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \implies$ NORMAL HIERARCHY

Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay

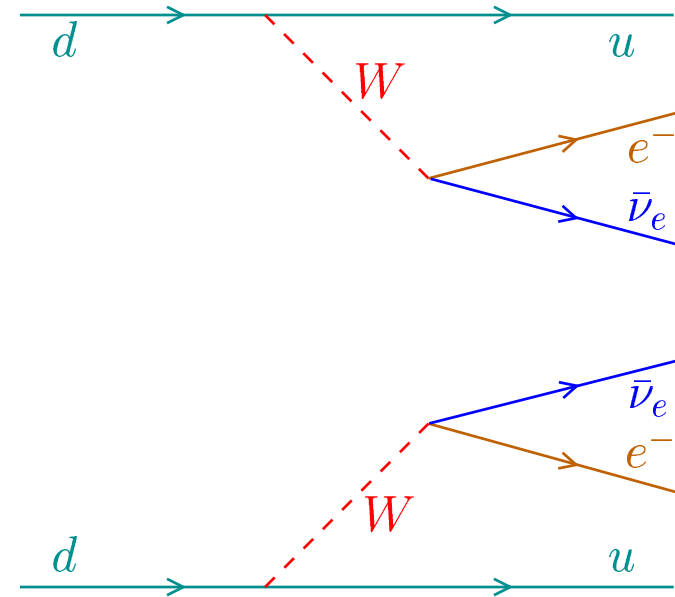


Two-Neutrino Double- β Decay: $\Delta L = 0$

$$\mathcal{N}(A, Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(A, Z + 2) + e^- + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \bar{\nu}_e$$

$$(T_{1/2}^{2\nu})^{-1} = G_{2\nu} |\mathcal{M}_{2\nu}|^2$$

second order weak interaction process
in the Standard Model



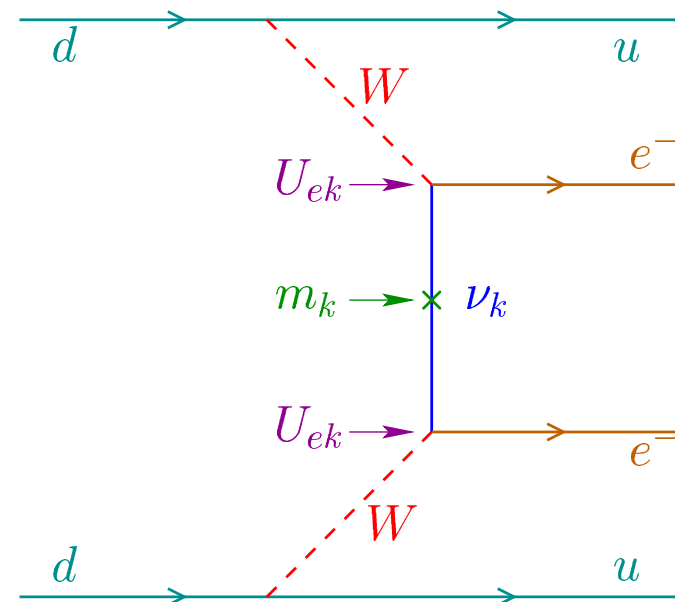
Neutrinoless Double- β Decay: $\Delta L = 2$

$$\mathcal{N}(A, Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(A, Z + 2) + e^- + e^-$$

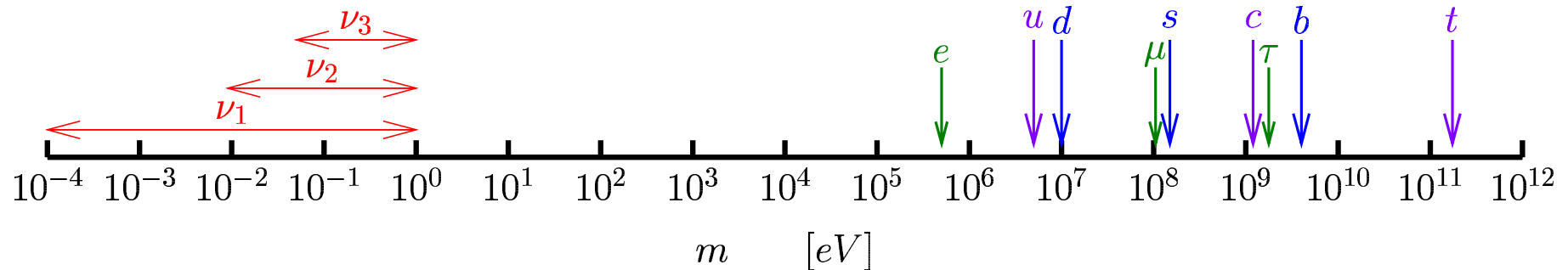
$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu} |\mathcal{M}_{0\nu}|^2 |m_{\beta\beta}|^2$$

effective
Majorana
mass

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_k U_{ek}^2 m_k$$



Majorana Neutrino Mass?



known natural explanation of smallness of ν masses

New High Energy Scale $\mathcal{M} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{See-Saw Mechanism (if } \nu_R \text{'s exist)} \\ \text{5-D Non-Renormaliz. Eff. Operator} \end{array} \right.$

both imply $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Majorana } \nu \text{ masses} \iff |\Delta L| = 2 \iff \beta\beta_{0\nu} \text{ decay} \\ \text{see-saw type relation } m_\nu \sim \frac{\mathcal{M}_{EW}^2}{\mathcal{M}} \end{array} \right.$

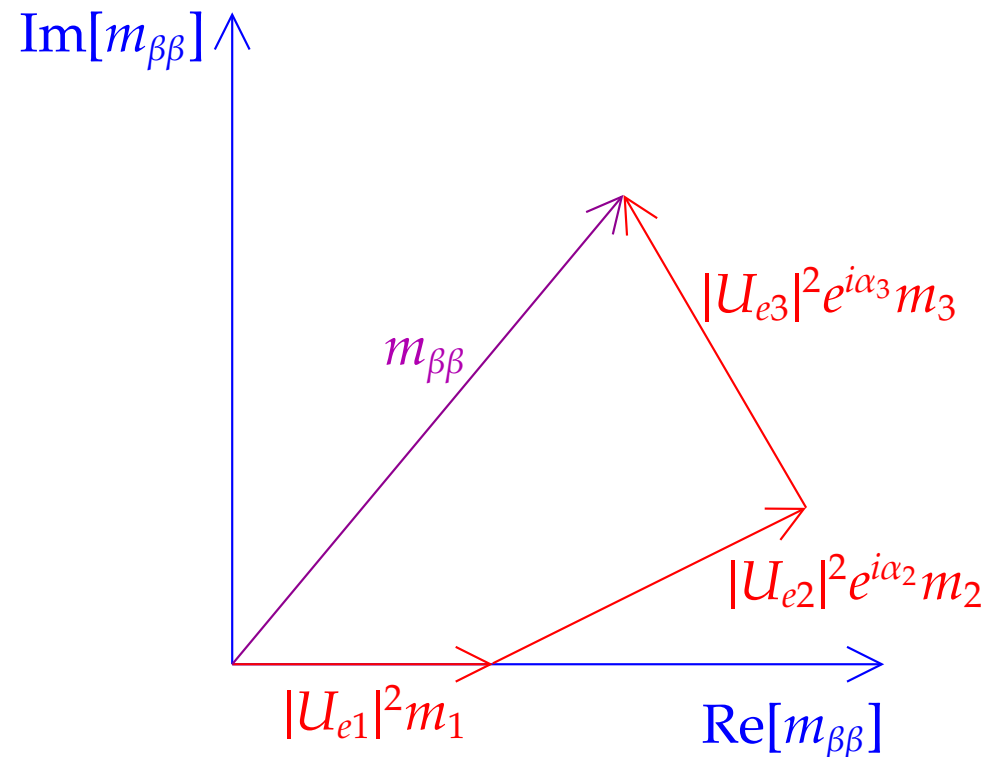
Majorana neutrino masses provide the most accessible window on New Physics Beyond the Standard Model

Effective Majorana Neutrino Mass

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_k U_{ek}^2 m_k \quad \text{complex } U_{ek} \Rightarrow \text{possible cancellations}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} = |U_{e1}|^2 m_1 + |U_{e2}|^2 e^{i\alpha_2} m_2 + |U_{e3}|^2 e^{i\alpha_3} m_3$$

$$\alpha_2 = 2\lambda_2 \quad \alpha_3 = 2(\lambda_3 - \delta_{13})$$



Experimental Bound

Heidelberg-Moscow (^{76}Ge) [EPJA 12 (2001) 147]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ y} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.}) \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.32 - 1.0 \text{ eV}$$

IGEX (^{76}Ge) [PRD 65 (2002) 092007]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.57 \times 10^{25} \text{ y} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.}) \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.33 - 1.35 \text{ eV}$$

CUORICINO (^{130}Te) [PRL 95 (2005) 142501]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.8 \times 10^{24} \text{ y} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.}) \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.2 - 1.1 \text{ eV}$$

NEMO 3 (^{100}Mo) [PRL 95 (2005) 182302]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 4.6 \times 10^{23} \text{ y} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.}) \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.7 - 2.8 \text{ eV}$$

FUTURE EXPERIMENTS

NEMO 3, CUORICINO, COBRA, XMASS, CAMEO, CANDLES

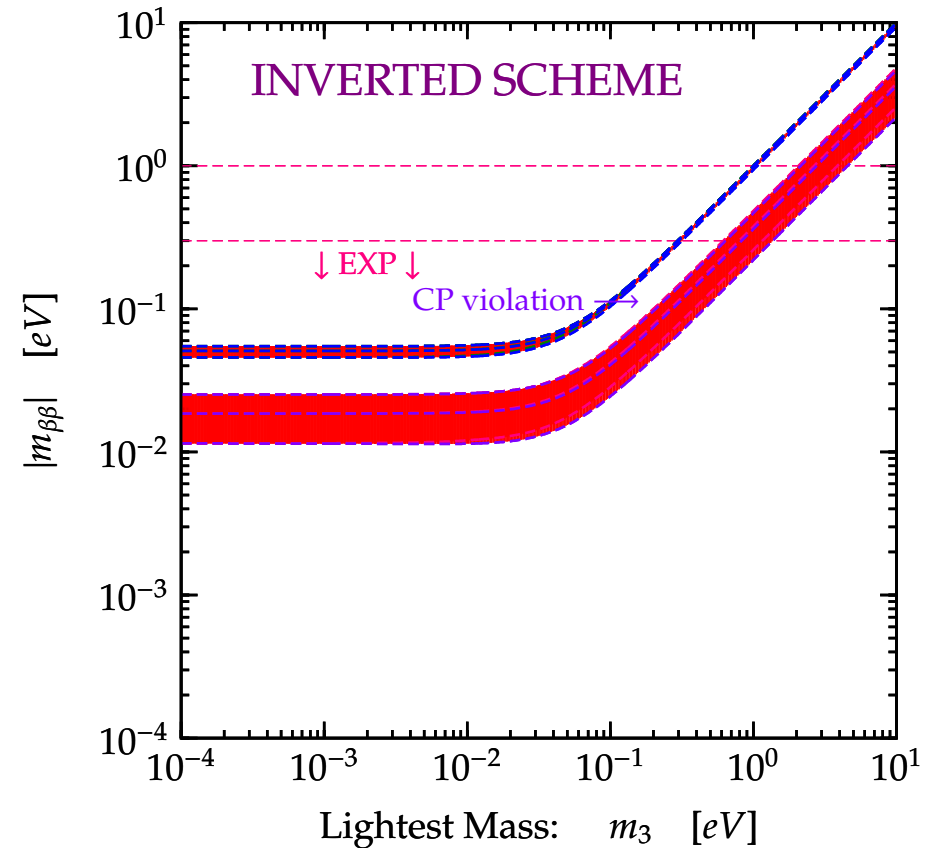
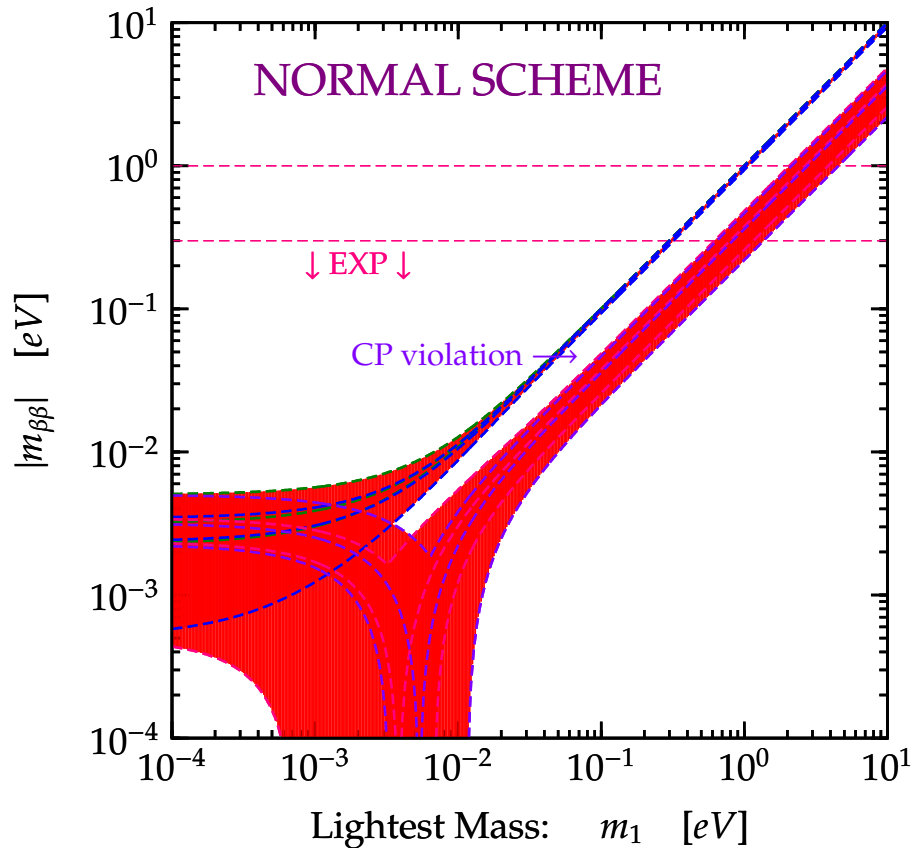
$$|m_{\beta\beta}| \sim \text{few } 10^{-1} \text{ eV}$$

EXO, MOON, Super-NEMO, CUORE, Majorana, GEM, GERDA

$$|m_{\beta\beta}| \sim \text{few } 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

Bounds from Neutrino Oscillations

$$m_{\beta\beta} = |U_{e1}|^2 m_1 + |U_{e2}|^2 e^{i\alpha_2} m_2 + |U_{e3}|^2 e^{i\alpha_3} m_3$$

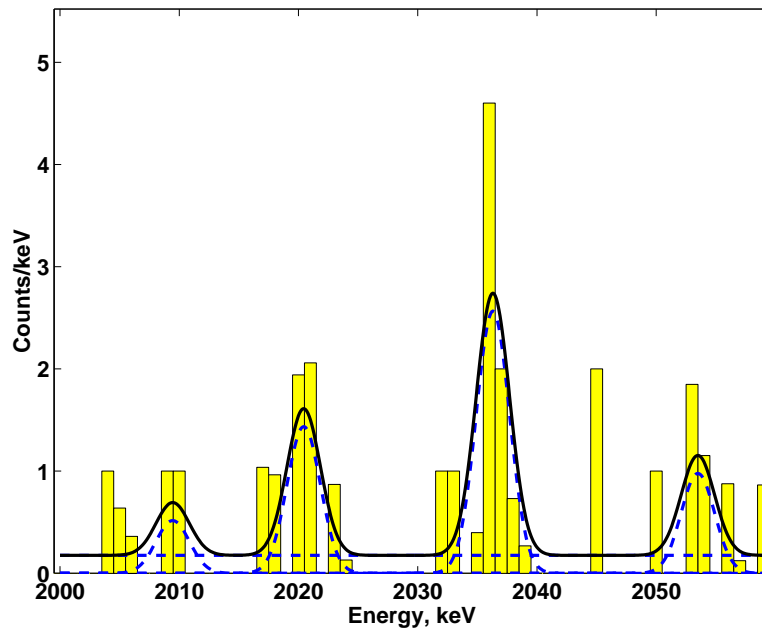


FUTURE: IF $|m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \implies$ NORMAL HIERARCHY

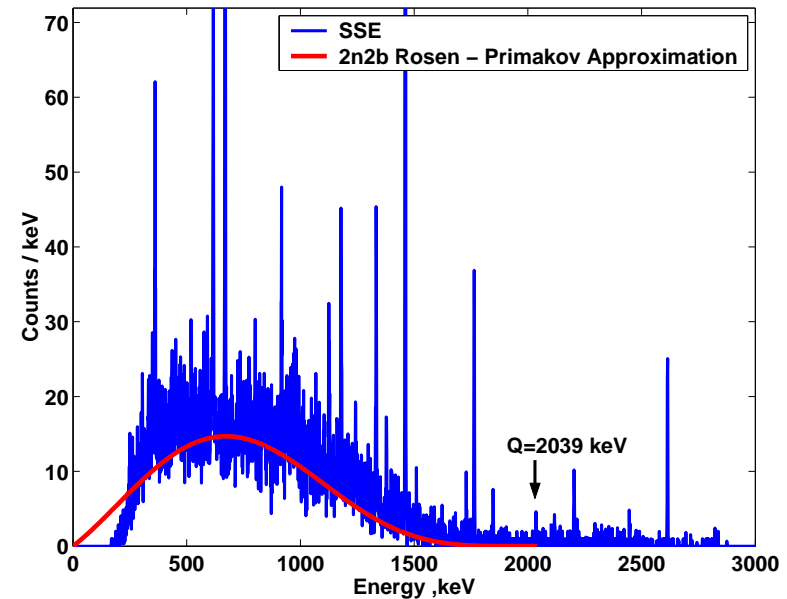
Experimental Positive Indication

[Klapdor et al., MPLA 16 (2001) 2409; FP 32 (2002) 1181; NIMA 522 (2004) 371; PLB 586 (2004) 198]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu\text{bf}} = 1.19 \times 10^{25} \text{ y} \quad T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = (0.69 - 4.18) \times 10^{25} \text{ y} (3\sigma) \quad 4.2\sigma \text{ evidence}$$



pulse-shape selected spectrum



3.8 σ evidence

[PLB 586 (2004) 198]

the indication must be checked by other experiments

$$1.35 \lesssim |\mathcal{M}_{0\nu}| \lesssim 4.12 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 0.22 \text{ eV} \lesssim |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 1.6 \text{ eV}$$

if confirmed, very exciting (Majorana ν and large mass scale)

Cosmology

H_0 (Hubble Space Telescope Key Project)

CMBR (COBE, WMAP, Boomerang, DASI, MAXIMA, VSA, CBI, ACBAR)

LSS (2dFGRS, SDSS)

SNIa (High-z SN Search Team, Supernova Cosmology Project)

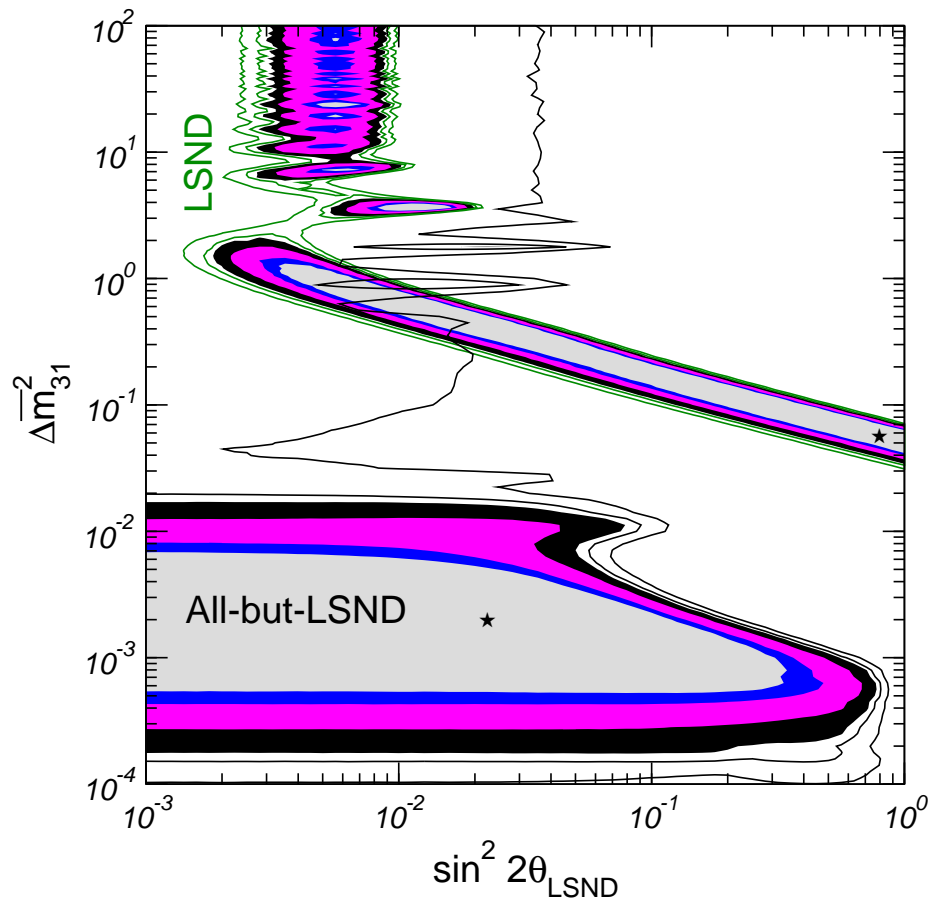
Λ CDM

\Rightarrow

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 m_k \lesssim 0.2 - 0.7 \text{ eV}$$

LSND

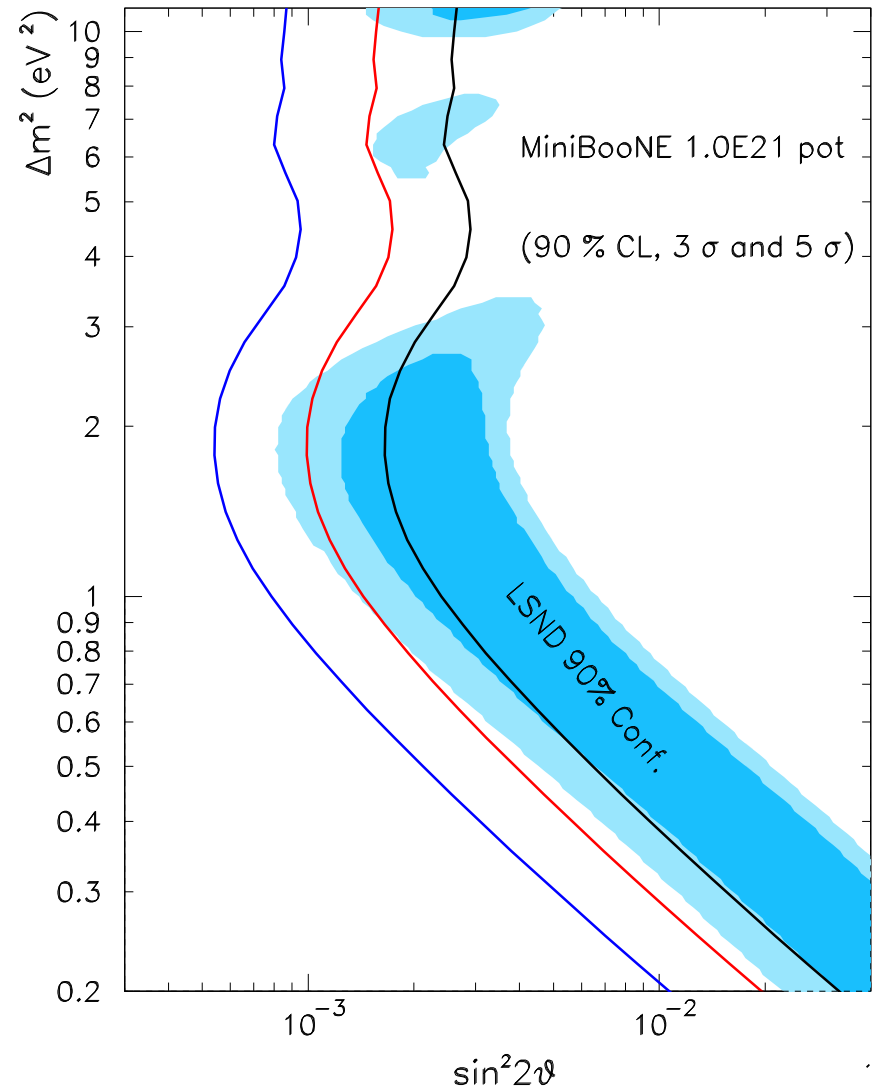
$$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e \quad \Delta m_{\text{LSND}}^2 \gtrsim 0.1 \text{ eV}^2 \quad (\gg \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2 \gg \Delta m_{\text{SUN}}^2)$$



[Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz PRD 68 (2003) 053007]

even allowing $\Delta \bar{m}_{31}^2 \neq \Delta m_{31}^2$

(CPT violation) $\text{GoF} = 7.5 \times 10^{-4}$



MiniBooNE $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ [hep-ex/0406048]

Conclusions

$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$ with $\Delta m_{\text{SUN}}^2 \simeq 8.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ (solar ν , KamLAND)

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ with $\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2 \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ (atm. ν , K2K, MINOS)



Bilarge 3ν -Mixing with $|U_{e3}|^2 \ll 1$ (CHOOZ)

β Decay, Cosmology, $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ Decay $\implies m_\nu \lesssim 1 \text{ eV}$

FUTURE

Theory: Why lepton mixing \neq quark mixing?

Why only $|U_{e3}|^2 \ll 1$?

Improve calculation of $\mathcal{M}_{0\nu}$!

Exp.: LSND?

Measure $|U_{e3}| > 0 \implies$ CP violation, matter effects, mass hierarchy

Check $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ signal at Quasi-Degenerate mass scale

Improve β Decay, Cosmology, $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ Decay measurements