

# Phenomenology of Light Sterile Neutrinos

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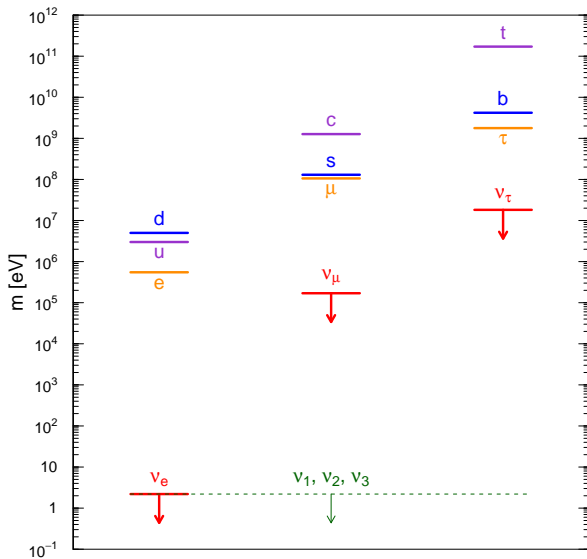
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# Fermion Mass Spectrum



## Neutrino Oscillations

- ▶ 1957: Bruno Pontecorvo proposed Neutrino Oscillations in analogy with  $K^0 \Leftrightarrow \bar{K}^0$  oscillations (Gell-Mann and Pais, 1955)
- ▶ Flavor Neutrinos:  $\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$  produced in Weak Interactions
- ▶ Massive Neutrinos:  $\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3$  propagate from Source to Detector
- ▶ A Flavor Neutrino is a superposition of Massive Neutrinos

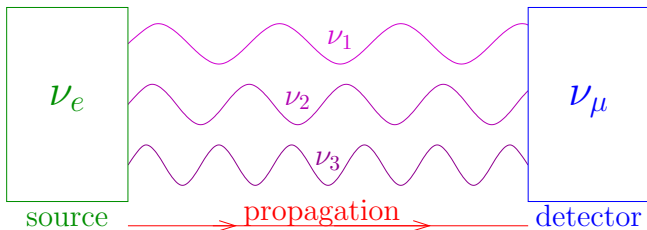
$$|\nu_e\rangle = U_{e1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

$$|\nu_\mu\rangle = U_{\mu1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\mu2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\mu3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

$$|\nu_\tau\rangle = U_{\tau1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\tau2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\tau3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

- ▶  $U$  is the  $3 \times 3$  Neutrino Mixing Matrix

$$|\nu(t=0)\rangle = |\nu_e\rangle = U_{e1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3} |\nu_3\rangle$$



$$|\nu(t > 0)\rangle = U_{e1} e^{-iE_1 t} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2} e^{-iE_2 t} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3} e^{-iE_3 t} |\nu_3\rangle \neq |\nu_e\rangle$$

$$E_k^2 = p^2 + m_k^2$$

at the detector there is a **probability**  $> 0$  to see the neutrino as a  $\nu_\mu$

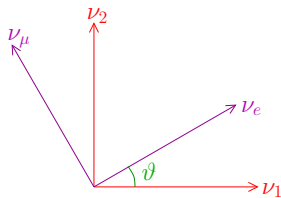
### Neutrino Oscillations are Flavor Transitions

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu & \nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\tau & \nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e & \nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau \\ \bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu & \bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau & \bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e & \bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau \end{array}$$

transition probabilities depend on  $U$  and  $\Delta m_{kj}^2 \equiv m_k^2 - m_j^2$

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

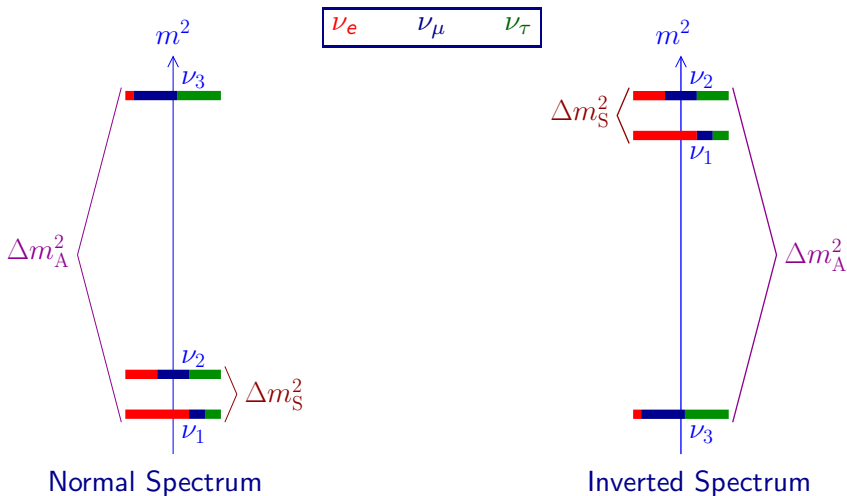
# Experimental Evidences of Neutrino Oscillations

<p>Solar <math>\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau</math></p> <p>VLBL Reactor <math>\bar{\nu}_e</math> disappearance</p>	$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{SNO, BOREXino} \\ \text{Super-Kamiokande} \\ \text{GALLEX/GNO, SAGE} \\ \text{Homestake, Kamiokande} \\ \text{(KamLAND)} \end{array} \right)$	$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_S^2 \simeq 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_S \simeq 0.30 \end{array} \right.$
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<p>Atmospheric <math>\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau</math></p> <p>LBL Accelerator <math>\nu_\mu</math> disappearance</p> <p>LBL Accelerator <math>\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau</math></p>	$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{Super-Kamiokande} \\ \text{Kamiokande, IMB} \\ \text{MACRO, Soudan-2} \\ \text{(K2K, MINOS, T2K)} \\ \text{(Opera)} \end{array} \right)$	$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_A^2 \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_A \simeq 0.50 \end{array} \right.$
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<p>LBL Accelerator <math>\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e</math></p> <p>LBL Reactor <math>\bar{\nu}_e</math> disappearance</p>	$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{(T2K, MINOS)} \\ \text{(Daya Bay, RENO)} \\ \text{Double Chooz} \end{array} \right)$	$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_A^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_{13} \simeq 0.023 \end{array} \right.$
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# Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm



$$\Delta m_S^2 = \Delta m_{21}^2$$

$$\Delta m_A^2 = |\Delta m_{31}^2| \simeq |\Delta m_{32}^2|$$

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

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

$$\vartheta_{23} = \vartheta_A$$

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{23} \simeq 0.4 - 0.6$$

Chooz, Palo Verde

T2K, MINOS

Daya Bay, RENO

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{13} = 0.023 \pm 0.002$$

$$\vartheta_{12} = \vartheta_S$$

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{12} = 0.30 \pm 0.01$$

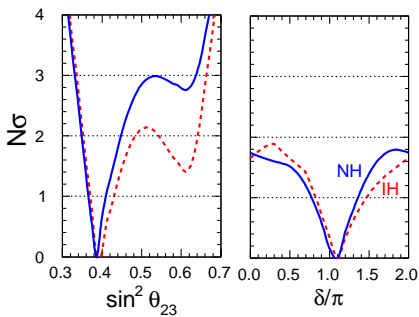
$\beta\beta_{0\nu}$

$$\frac{\delta \sin^2 \vartheta_{23}}{\sin^2 \vartheta_{23}} \simeq 40\%$$

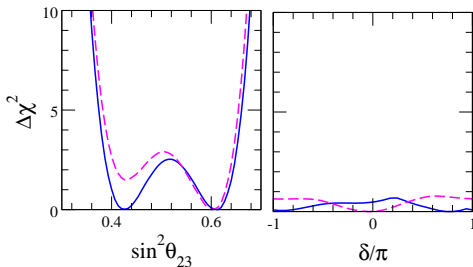
$$\frac{\delta \sin^2 \vartheta_{13}}{\sin^2 \vartheta_{13}} \simeq 10\%$$

$$\frac{\delta \sin^2 \vartheta_{12}}{\sin^2 \vartheta_{12}} \simeq 5\%$$

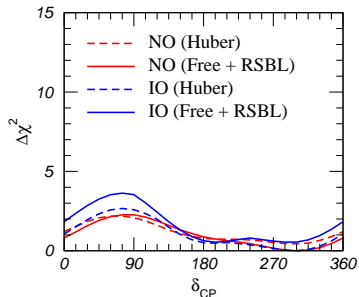
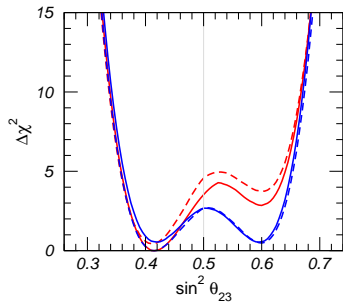




[Fogli, Lisi, Marrone, Montanino, Palazzo, Rotunno, PRD 86 (2012) 013012]



[Forero, Tortola, Valle, PRD 86 (2012) 073012]

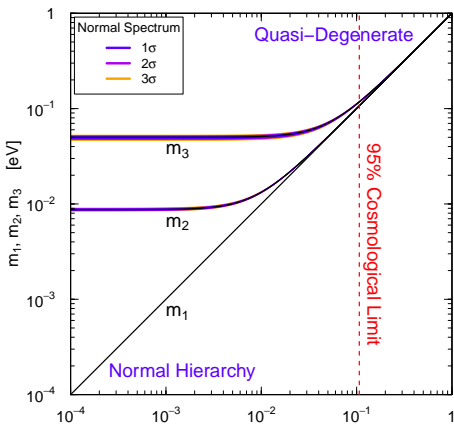


[Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Salvado, Schwetz, JHEP 12 (2012) 123; <http://www.nu-fit.org>]

# Open Problems

- ▶  $\vartheta_{23} < 45^\circ$  ?
  - ▶ Atmospheric  $\nu$ , T2K, NO $\nu$ A, .....
- ▶ Mass Hierarchy ?
  - ▶ NO $\nu$ A, Atmospheric  $\nu$ , Day Bay II, RENO-50, Supernova  $\nu$ , ...
- ▶ CP violation ?
  - ▶ NO $\nu$ A, LBNE, LBNO, HyperK, ...
- ▶ Absolute Mass Scale ?
  - ▶  $\beta$  Decay, Neutrinoless Double- $\beta$  Decay, Cosmology, ...
- ▶ Dirac or Majorana ?
  - ▶ Neutrinoless Double- $\beta$  Decay, ...
- ▶ Beyond Three-Neutrino Mixing ? Sterile Neutrinos ?

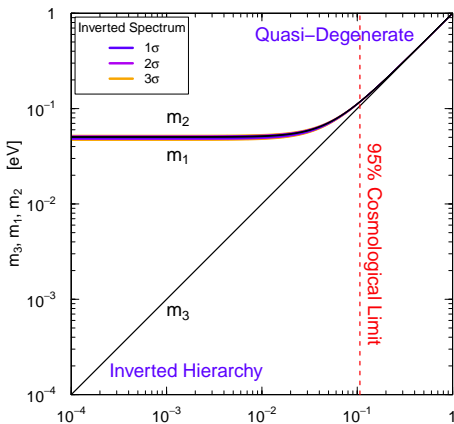
# Absolute Scale of Neutrino Masses



Lightest mass:  $m_1$  [eV]

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

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



Lightest mass:  $m_3$  [eV]

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

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

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

95% Cosmological Limit: Planck + WMAP9 + highL + BAO [\[arXiv:1303.5076\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1303.5076)

# Tritium Beta-Decay

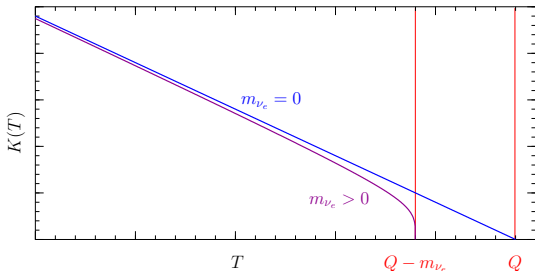


$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dT} = \frac{(\cos\vartheta_C G_F)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) p E (Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2}$$

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

Kurie plot

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



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

Mainz & Troitsk

[Weinheimer, hep-ex/0210050]

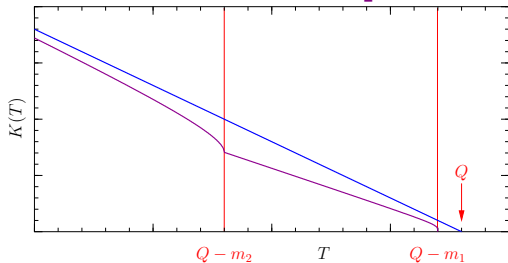
future: KATRIN

[[www.katrin.kit.edu](http://www.katrin.kit.edu)]

start data taking in 2015

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

$$\text{Neutrino Mixing} \implies K(T) = \left[ (Q - T) \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_k^2} \right]^{1/2}$$



analysis of data is different from the no-mixing case:

$2N - 1$  parameters

$$\left( \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 = 1 \right)$$

if experiment is not sensitive to masses ( $m_k \ll Q - T$ )

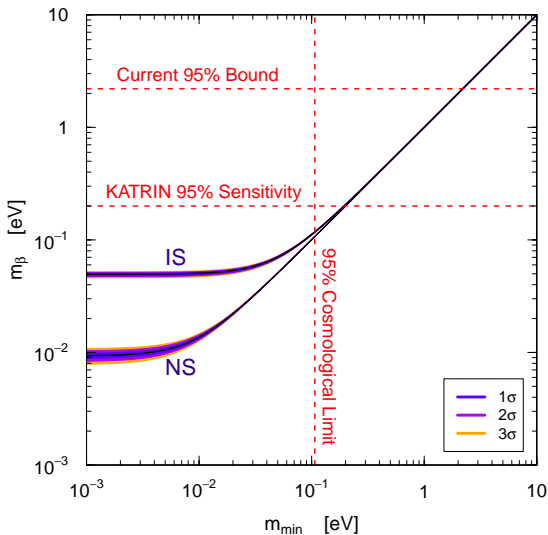
effective mass:

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

$$\begin{aligned} K^2 &= (Q - T)^2 \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_k^2}{(Q - T)^2}} \simeq (Q - T)^2 \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_k^2}{(Q - T)^2} \right] \\ &= (Q - T)^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_\beta^2}{(Q - T)^2} \right] \simeq (Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_\beta^2} \end{aligned}$$

# Predictions of $3\nu$ -Mixing Paradigm

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



- ▶ Quasi-Degenerate:

$$m_\beta^2 \simeq m_\nu^2 \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 = m_\nu^2$$

- ▶ Inverted Hierarchy:

$$m_\beta^2 \simeq (1 - s_{13}^2) \Delta m_A^2 \simeq \Delta m_A^2$$

- ▶ Normal Hierarchy:

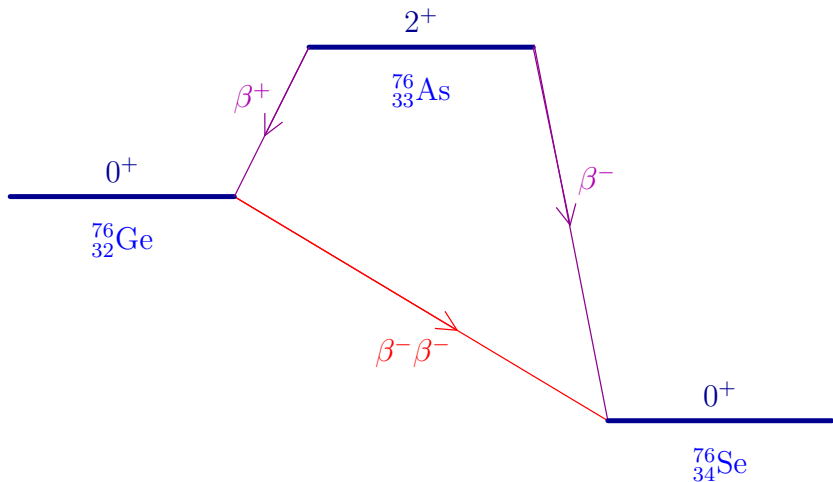
$$\begin{aligned} m_\beta^2 &\simeq s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 \Delta m_S^2 + s_{13}^2 \Delta m_A^2 \\ &\simeq 2 \times 10^{-5} + 6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶  $m_\beta \lesssim 4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$



Normal Spectrum

# Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay



Effective Majorana Neutrino Mass:

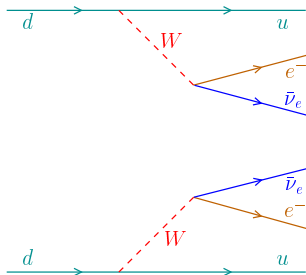
$$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_k U_{ek}^2 m_k$$

## Two-Neutrino Double- $\beta$ 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



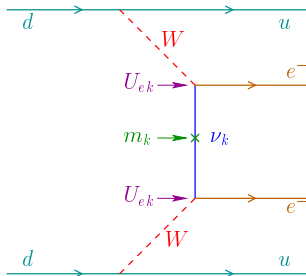
## Neutrinoless Double- $\beta$ Decay: $\Delta L = 2$

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

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

effective  
Majorana  
mass

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



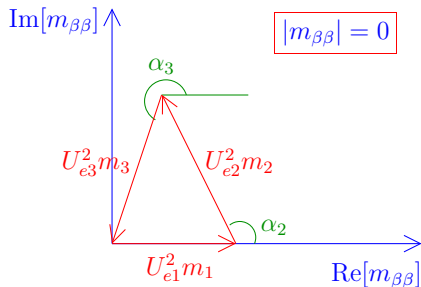
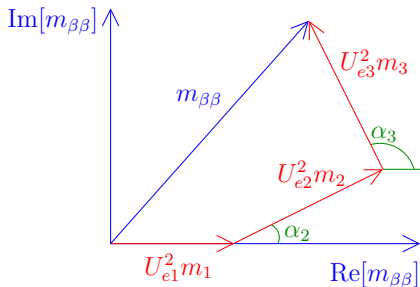


# Effective Majorana Neutrino Mass

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

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

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



# Experimental Bounds

KamLAND-Zen ( $^{136}\text{Xe}$ ) [arXiv:1211.3863]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ y (90\% C.L.)} \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.12 - 0.25 \text{ eV (KLZ+EXO)}$$

EXO ( $^{136}\text{Xe}$ ) [PRL 109 (2012) 032505]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ y (90\% C.L.)} \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.14 - 0.38 \text{ eV}$$

CUORICINO ( $^{130}\text{Te}$ ) [AP 34 (2011) 822]

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 2.8 \times 10^{24} \text{ y (90\% C.L.)} \implies |m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 0.3 - 0.7 \text{ eV}$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

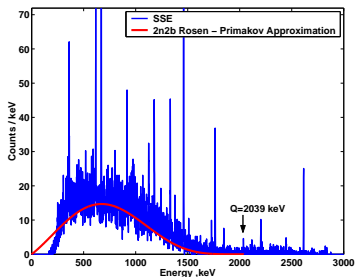
# Experimental Positive Indication

[Klapdor et al., MPLA 16 (2001) 2409]

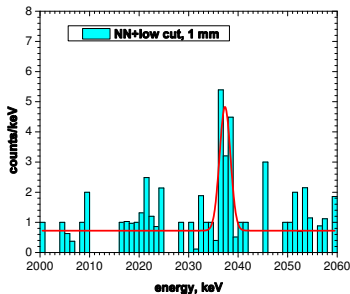
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = (2.23_{-0.31}^{+0.44}) \times 10^{25} \text{ y}$$

6.5 $\sigma$  evidence

[MPLA 21 (2006) 1547]



[PLB 586 (2004) 198]



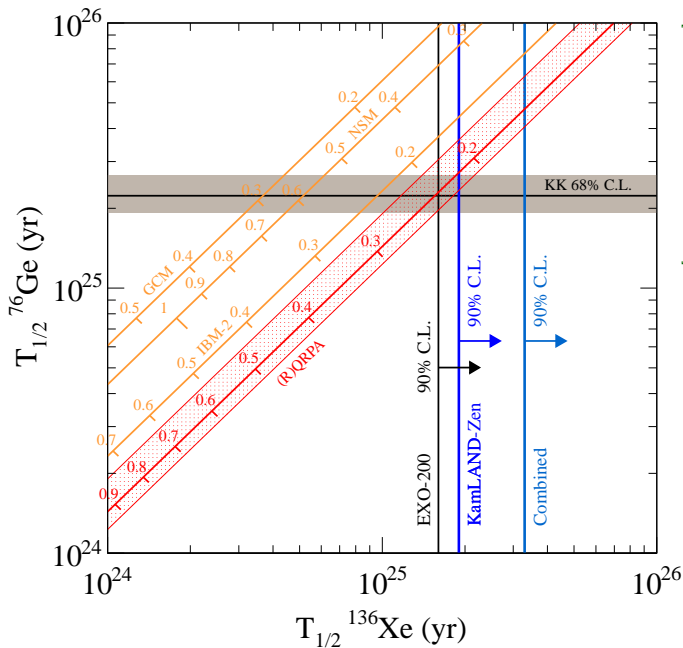
[MPLA 21 (2006) 1547]

$$|m_{\beta\beta}| = 0.32 \pm 0.03 \text{ eV}$$

[MPLA 21 (2006) 1547]

very exciting: Majorana  $\nu$  and large mass scale

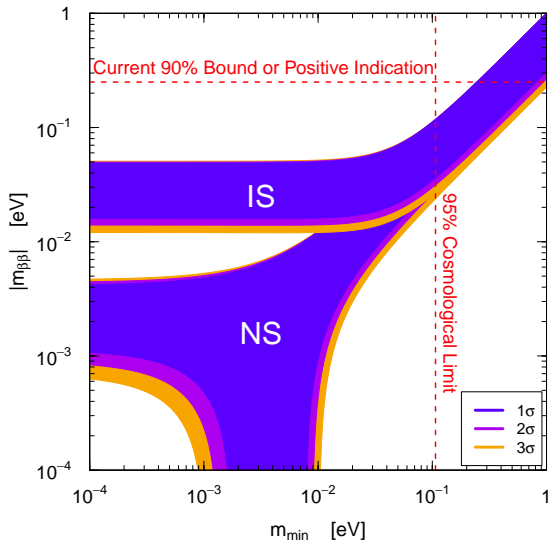
partially excluded by KamLAND-Zen, EXO and CUORICINO



[KamLAND-Zen, arXiv:1211.3863]

# Predictions of $3\nu$ -Mixing Paradigm

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



▶ Positive indication:  
tension with cosmology

▶ Quasi-Degenerate:

$$|m_{\beta\beta}| \simeq m_\nu \sqrt{1 - s_{2\vartheta_{12}}^2 s_{\alpha_2}^2}$$

▶ Inverted Hierarchy:

$$|m_{\beta\beta}| \simeq \sqrt{\Delta m_A^2 (1 - s_{2\vartheta_{12}}^2 s_{\alpha_2}^2)}$$

▶ Normal Hierarchy:

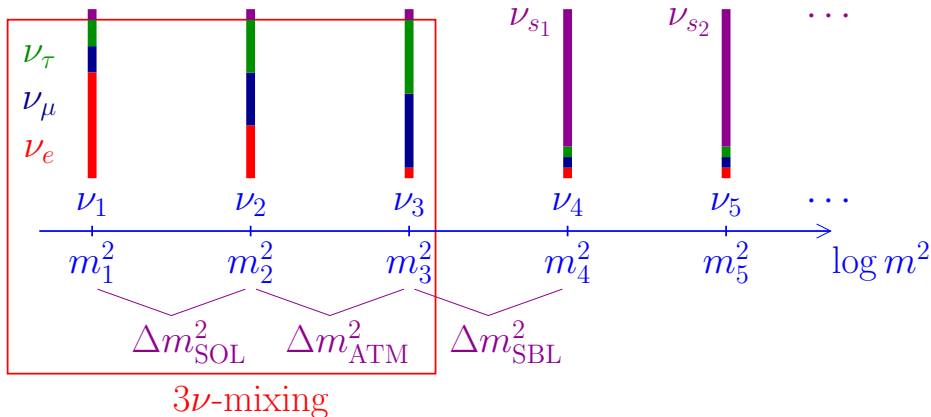
$$|m_{\beta\beta}| \simeq |s_{12}^2 \sqrt{\Delta m_S^2} + e^{i\alpha} s_{13}^2 \sqrt{\Delta m_A^2}|$$

$$\simeq |2.7 + 1.2e^{i\alpha}| \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

$m_1 \gtrsim 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \Rightarrow$  cancellation?

$|m_{\beta\beta}| \lesssim 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \Rightarrow$  Normal Spectrum

# Beyond Three-Neutrino Mixing



# Sterile Neutrinos from Physics Beyond the SM

- ▶ Neutrinos are special in the Standard Model: the only **neutral fermions**
- ▶ In extensions of SM neutrinos can mix with non-SM fermions

▶ SM:  $L_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \ell_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \tilde{\Phi} = i\sigma_2 \Phi^* = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^0 \\ \phi^- \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{Breaking}]{\text{Symmetry}} \begin{pmatrix} v/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ SM singlet  $\overline{L}_L \tilde{\Phi}$  can couple to new singlet chiral fermion field  $f_R$  related to physics beyond the SM  $[Y(\overline{L}_L) = +1, Y(\tilde{\Phi}) = -1]$

- ▶ Known examples: light  $\nu_R$  from see-saw, SUSY ( $\nu_R$ , axino, ...), extra dimensions (Kaluza-Klein modes), mirror world, ...

▶ Dirac mass term  $\sim \overline{L}_L \tilde{\Phi} f_R$  + Majorana mass term  $\sim \overline{f_R^c} f_R$

- ▶  $f_R$  is often called **Right-Handed Neutrino**:  $f_R \rightarrow \nu_R$

# Light Sterile Neutrinos

- ▶ Light anti- $\nu_R$  are called **sterile neutrinos**

$$\nu_R^c \rightarrow \nu_{sL} \quad (\text{left-handed})$$

- ▶ Sterile means **no standard model interactions**
- ▶ Active neutrinos ( $\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$ ) can oscillate into light sterile neutrinos ( $\nu_s$ )
- ▶ Observables:
  - ▶ **Disappearance** of active neutrinos (**neutral current deficit**)
  - ▶ Indirect evidence through **combined fit of data** (**current indication**)
- ▶ Short-baseline anomalies +  $3\nu$ -mixing:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Delta m_{21}^2 & \ll & |\Delta m_{31}^2| & \ll & |\Delta m_{41}^2| \leq \dots \\ \nu_1 & & \nu_2 & & \nu_3 & & \nu_4 & & \dots \\ \nu_e & & \nu_\mu & & \nu_\tau & & \nu_{s1} & & \dots \end{array}$$



- ▶ In this talk I consider sterile neutrinos with mass scale  $\sim 1 \text{ eV}$  in light of short-baseline Reactor Anomaly, Gallium Anomaly, LSND, MiniBooNE.
- ▶ Other possibilities (not incompatible):
  - ▶ Very light sterile neutrinos with mass scale  $\ll 1 \text{ eV}$ : important for solar neutrino phenomenology
    - [Das, Pulido, Picariello, PRD 79 (2009) 073010]
    - [de Holanda, Smirnov, PRD 83 (2011) 113011]
  - ▶ Heavy sterile neutrinos with mass scale  $\gg 1 \text{ eV}$ : could be Warm Dark Matter
    - [Kusenko, Phys. Rept. 481 (2009) 1]
    - [Boyarsky, Ruchayskiy, Shaposhnikov, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 59 (2009) 191]
    - [Drewes, arXiv:1303.6912]

## Effective SBL Oscillation Probabilities in 3+1 Schemes

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E} \right) \qquad \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} = 4|U_{\alpha 4}|^2 |U_{\beta 4}|^2$$

No CP Violation!

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E} \right) \qquad \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha} = 4|U_{\alpha 4}|^2 (1 - |U_{\alpha 4}|^2)$$

Perturbation of 3ν Mixing

$$|U_{e4}|^2 \ll 1, \quad |U_{\mu 4}|^2 \ll 1, \quad |U_{\tau 4}|^2 \ll 1, \quad |U_{s4}|^2 \simeq 1$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & U_{e4} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & U_{\mu 4} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & U_{\tau 4} \\ U_{s1} & U_{s2} & U_{s3} & U_{s4} \end{pmatrix}$$

↑  
SBL

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha} \ll 1$$



$$|U_{\alpha 4}|^2 \simeq \frac{\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha}}{4}$$

# Effective SBL Oscillation Probabilities in 3+2 Schemes

$$\phi_{kj} = \Delta m_{kj}^2 L / 4E$$

$$\eta = \arg[U_{e4}^* U_{\mu 4} U_{e5} U_{\mu 5}^*]$$

$$P_{\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e}^{(-) \quad (-)} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 |U_{\mu 4}|^2 \sin^2 \phi_{41} + 4|U_{e5}|^2 |U_{\mu 5}|^2 \sin^2 \phi_{51} \\ + 8|U_{\mu 4} U_{e4} U_{\mu 5} U_{e5}| \sin \phi_{41} \sin \phi_{51} \cos(\phi_{54}^{(+)} - \eta)$$

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\alpha}}^{(-) \quad (-)} = 1 - 4(1 - |U_{\alpha 4}|^2 - |U_{\alpha 5}|^2)(|U_{\alpha 4}|^2 \sin^2 \phi_{41} + |U_{\alpha 5}|^2 \sin^2 \phi_{51}) \\ - 4|U_{\alpha 4}|^2 |U_{\alpha 5}|^2 \sin^2 \phi_{54}$$

[Sorel, Conrad, Shaevitz, PRD 70 (2004) 073004; Maltoni, Schwetz, PRD 76 (2007) 093005; Karagiorgi et al, PRD 80 (2009) 073001; Kopp, Maltoni, Schwetz, PRL 107 (2011) 091801; Giunti, Laveder, PRD 84 (2011) 073008; Donini et al, JHEP 07 (2012) 161; Conrad, Ignarra, Karagiorgi, Shaevitz, Spitz, arXiv:1207.4765; Kopp, Machado, Maltoni, Schwetz, arXiv:1303.3011]

- ▶ More parameters: 7 (vs 3 in 3+1)
- ▶ CP violation
- ▶ Why not 3+3?

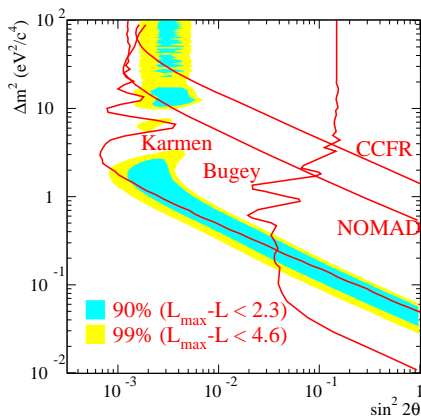
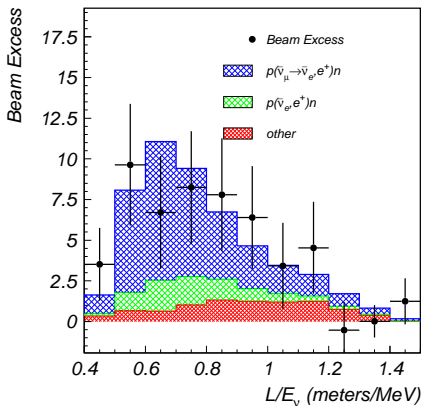
# LSND

[PRL 75 (1995) 2650; PRC 54 (1996) 2685; PRL 77 (1996) 3082; PRD 64 (2001) 112007]

$$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$$

$$L \simeq 30 \text{ m}$$

$$20 \text{ MeV} \leq E \leq 200 \text{ MeV}$$



3.8 $\sigma$  excess

$$\Delta m_{\text{LSND}}^2 \gtrsim 0.2 \text{ eV}^2 \quad (\gg \Delta m_A^2 \gg \Delta m_S^2)$$

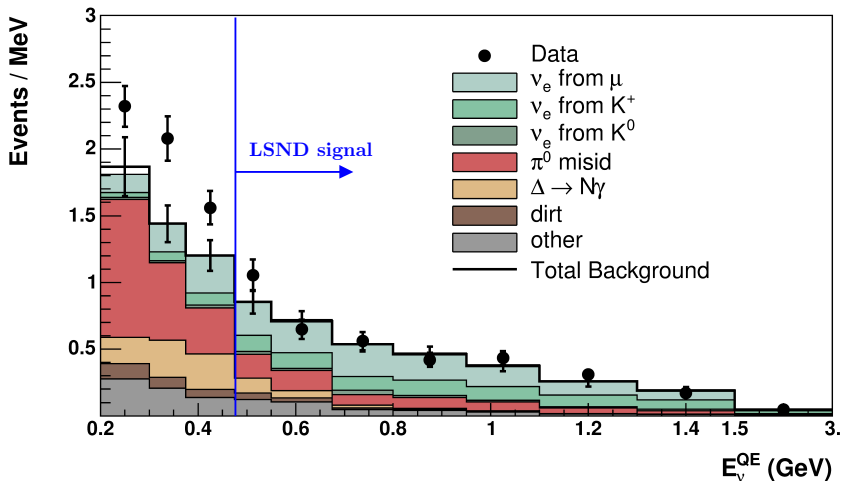
# MiniBooNE Neutrinos

[PRL 98 (2007) 231801; PRL 102 (2009) 101802]

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$

$L \simeq 541$  m

$200 \text{ MeV} \leq E \lesssim 3 \text{ GeV}$



- ▶ no  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  signal corresponding to LSND  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  signal ( $E > 475$  MeV)
- ▶ low-energy anomaly

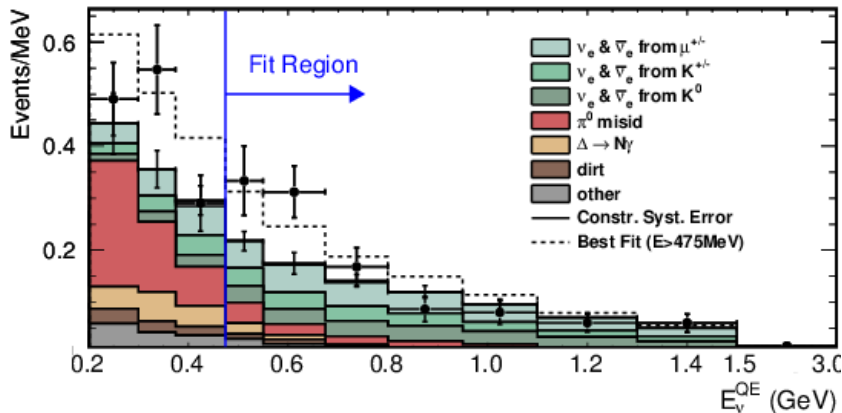
# MiniBooNE Antineutrinos - 2009-2010

[PRL 103 (2009) 111801; PRL 105 (2010) 181801]

$$\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$$

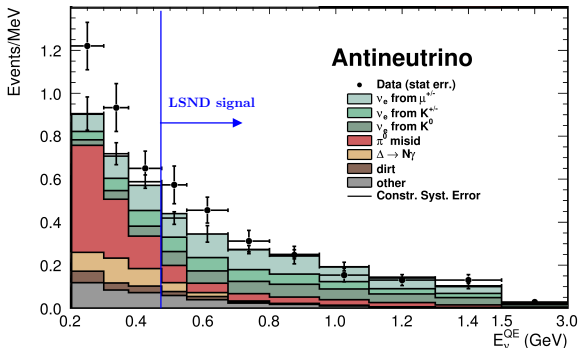
$$L \simeq 541 \text{ m}$$

$$200 \text{ MeV} \leq E \lesssim 3 \text{ GeV}$$



- ▶ agreement with LSND  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  signal ( $E > 475 \text{ MeV}$ )
- ▶ similar  $L/E$  but different  $L$  and  $E \implies$  oscillations
- ▶ CP violation?

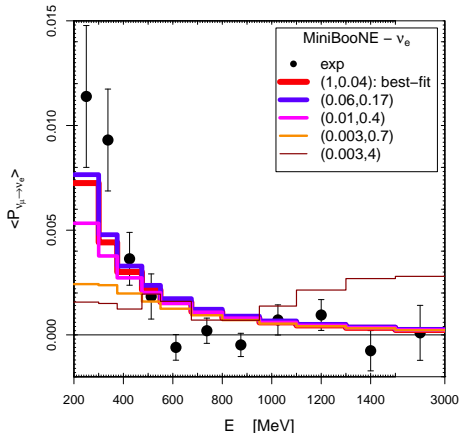
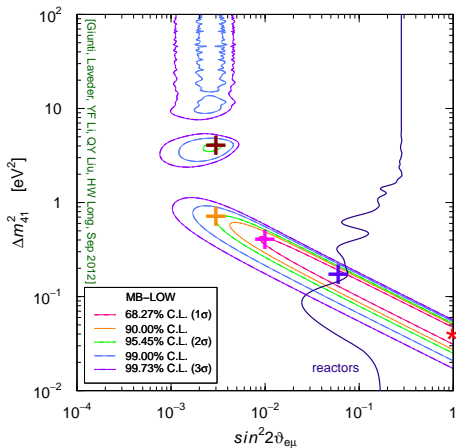
# MiniBooNE $\bar{\nu}$ - Neutrino 2012 - 6 June



	1st half			2nd half		
	data	mc	excess	data	mc	excess
200-475	119	100.5±14.3	18.5 (1.3s)	138	100.0±14.1	38 (2.7s)
475-1250	120	99.1±14.0	20.9 (1.5s)	101	103.1±14.4	-2.2 (-0.2s)

? agreement with LSND signal ? CP violation ?

# MiniBooNE $\nu$ and $\bar{\nu}$ - arXiv:1207.4809



► Fit of low-energy excess is marginal

► It requires  $\Delta m_{41}^2 \lesssim 0.4 \text{eV}^2$

► Neutrino energy reconstruction problem?

[Martini, Ericson, Chanfray, arXiv:1202.4745]



# Reactor Electron Antineutrino Anomaly

[Mention et al, PRD 83 (2011) 073006]

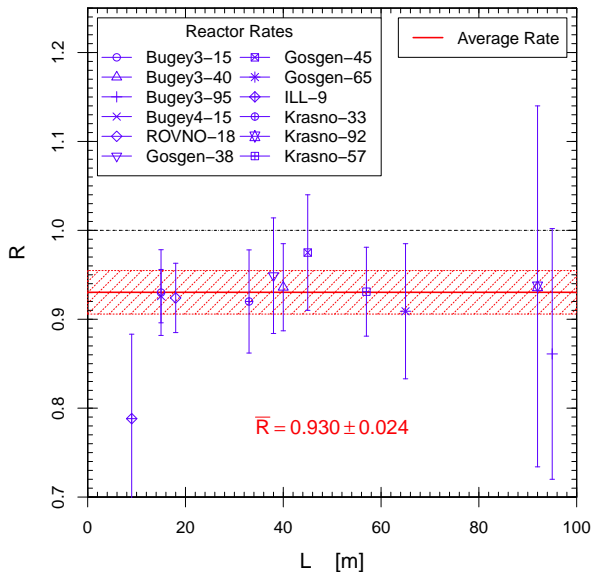
[update in White Paper, arXiv:1204.5379]

new reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  fluxes

[Mueller et al, PRC 83 (2011) 054615]

[Huber, PRC 84 (2011) 024617]

2.8 $\sigma$  anomaly



# Gallium Anomaly

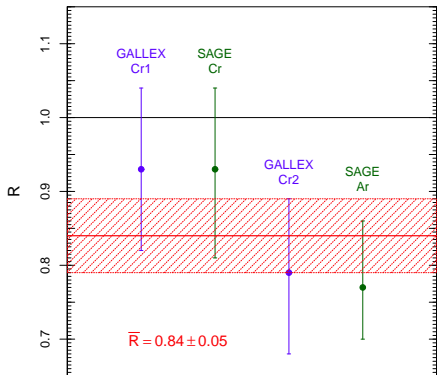
Gallium Radioactive Source Experiments: GALLEX and SAGE

Detection Process:  $\nu_e + {}^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow {}^{71}\text{Ge} + e^-$

$\nu_e$  Sources:  $e^- + {}^{51}\text{Cr} \rightarrow {}^{51}\text{V} + \nu_e$        $e^- + {}^{37}\text{Ar} \rightarrow {}^{37}\text{Cl} + \nu_e$

Anomaly supported by new  ${}^{71}\text{Ga}({}^3\text{He}, {}^3\text{H}){}^{71}\text{Ge}$  cross section measurement

[Frekers et al., PLB 706 (2011) 134]



$E \sim 0.7 \text{ MeV}$

$\langle L \rangle_{\text{GALLEX}} = 1.9 \text{ m}$

$\langle L \rangle_{\text{SAGE}} = 0.6 \text{ m}$

$2.9\sigma$  anomaly

## 3+1 SBL $\nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_e$ Survival Probability

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{(-) (-)} = 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 (1 - |U_{e4}|^2)$$

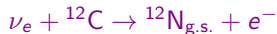
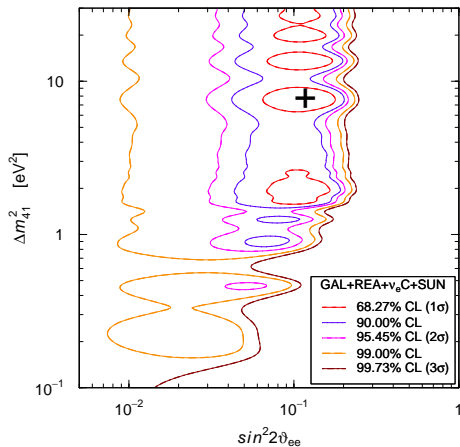
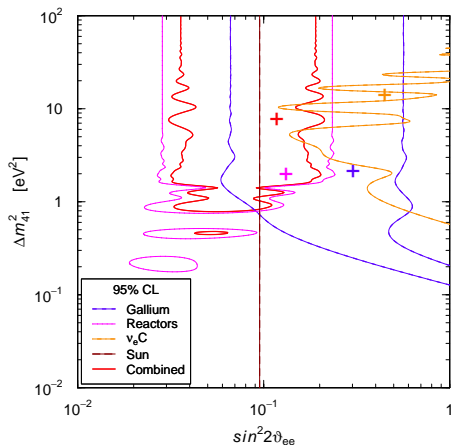
standard parameterization

$$U_{e1} = c_{12}c_{13}c_{14} \quad U_{e2} = s_{12}c_{13}c_{14} \quad U_{e3} = s_{13}c_{14}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \quad U_{e4} = s_{14}e^{-i\delta_{14}}$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{14}$$

# Global $\nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_e$ Disappearance

[Giunti, Laveder, Y.F. Li, Q.Y. Liu, H.W. Long, PRD 86 (2012) 113014]



KARMEN + LSND

[Conrad, Shaevitz, PRD 85 (2012) 013017]

[Giunti, Laveder, PLB 706 (2011) 200]

solar  $\nu_e$  + KamLAND  $\bar{\nu}_e$  +  $\vartheta_{13}$

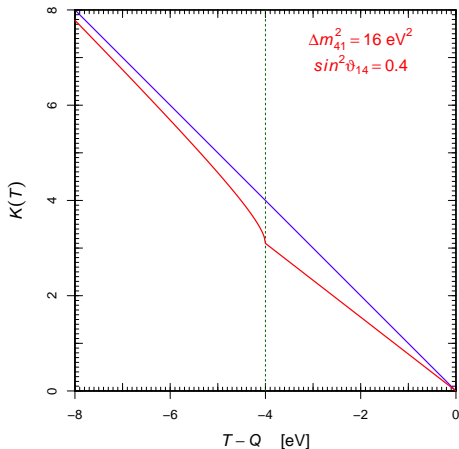
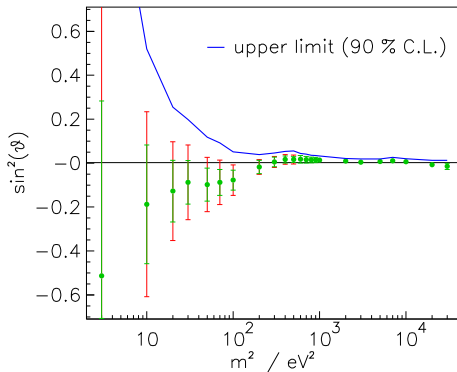
[Giunti, Li, PRD 80 (2009) 113007]

[Palazzo, PRD 83 (2011) 113013]

[Palazzo, PRD 85 (2012) 077301]

# Mainz Limit on $m_4^2$

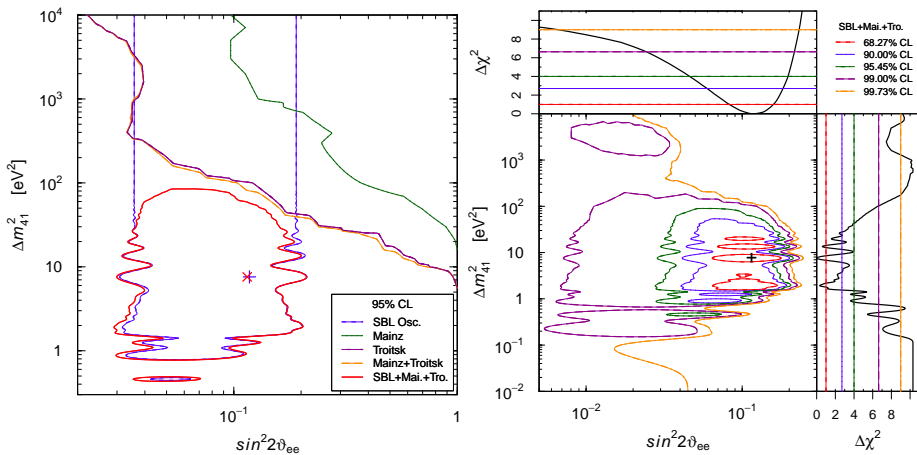
[Kraus, Singer, Valerius, Weinheimer, arXiv:1210.4194]



$$m_4 \gg m_1, m_2, m_3 \implies \Delta m_{41}^2 \equiv m_4^2 - m_1^2 \simeq m_4^2$$

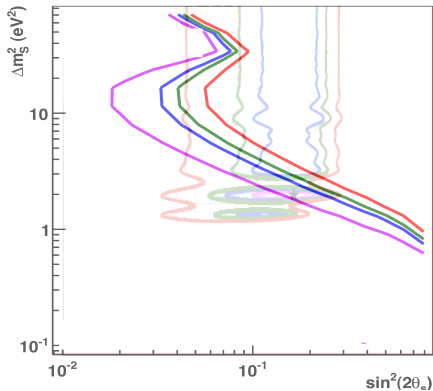
# Troitsk: Surprising Much Better Limit on $m_4^2$

[Belesev, Berlev, Geraskin, Golubev, Likhovid, Nozik, Pantuev, Parfenov, Skasyrskaya, arXiv:1211.7193]

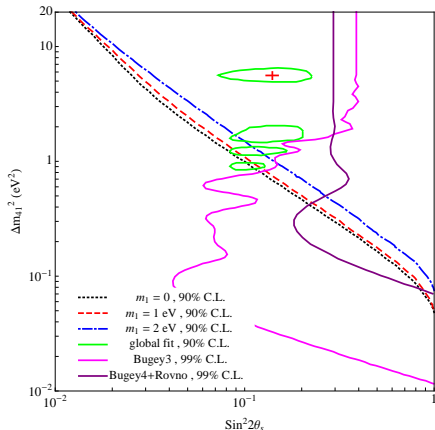


[Giunti, Laveder, Y.F. Li, H.W. Long, PRD 87 (2013) 013004]

# KATRIN Sensitivity



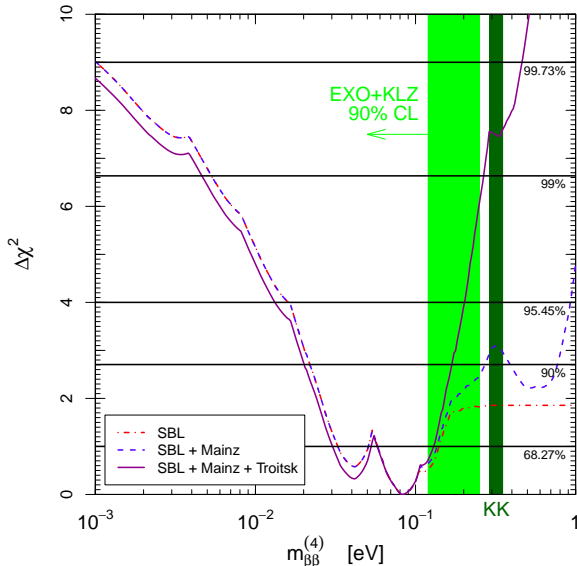
[Formaggio, Barrett, PLB 706 (2011) 68]



[Esmaili, Peres, PRD 85 (2012) 117301]

[see also Sejersen Riis, Hannestad, JCAP (2011) 1475; Sejersen Riis, Hannestad, Weinheimer, PRC 84 (2011) 045503]

# Neutrinoless Double- $\beta$ Decay



$$|m_{\beta\beta}| = \left| \sum_{k=1}^4 U_{ek}^2 m_k \right|$$

$$m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)} = |U_{e4}|^2 \sqrt{\Delta m_{41}^2}$$

caveat:

possible cancellation  
with  $m_{\beta\beta}^{(3\nu-IH)}$

[Barry et al, JHEP 07 (2011) 091]

[Li, Liu, PLB 706 (2012) 406]

[Rodejohann, JPG 39 (2012) 124008]



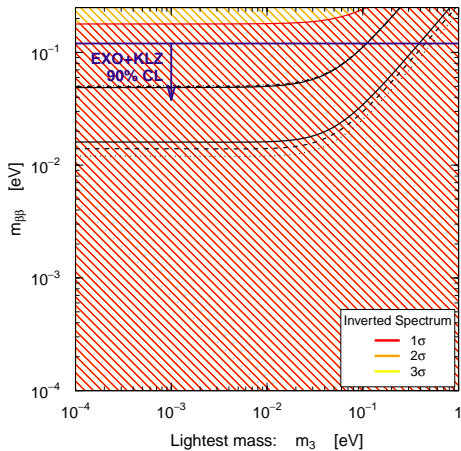
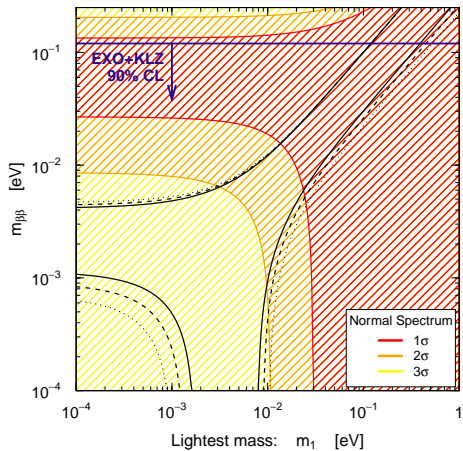
# Cancellation with $m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})}$ ?

[Barry, Rodejohann, Zhang, JHEP 07 (2011) 091]; Li, Liu, PLB 706 (2012) 406; Rodejohann, JPG 39 (2012) 124008]

$$m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})} = \left| \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{ek}^2 m_k \right| \qquad m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)} = |U_{e4}|^2 \sqrt{\Delta m_{41}^2}$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} = m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})} + e^{i\alpha_4} m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)} \qquad m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)} \gtrsim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

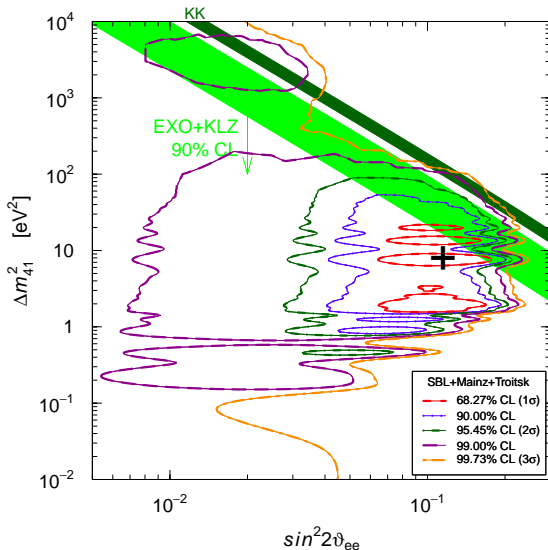
- ▶ **Normal Hierarchy:**  $m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})} \lesssim 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$  (95% CL)  
no cancellation is possible
- ▶ **Inverted Hierarchy:**  $1.4 \times 10^{-2} \lesssim m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})} \lesssim 5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$  (95% CL)  
cancellation is possible
- ▶ **Quasi-Degenerate:**  $m_{\beta\beta}^{(\text{light})} \gtrsim 5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$  cancellation is possible



# Assumption: no cancellation

$$m_{\beta\beta} \geq m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)} \\ = |U_{e4}|^2 \sqrt{\Delta m_{41}^2}$$

$$\Delta m_{41}^2 = \left( \frac{m_{\beta\beta}^{(4)}}{|U_{e4}|^2} \right)^2 \\ \leq \left( \frac{m_{\beta\beta}}{|U_{e4}|^2} \right)^2$$



# 3+1: Appearance vs Disappearance

- ▶  $\nu_e$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 (1 - |U_{e4}|^2) \simeq 4|U_{e4}|^2$$

- ▶  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} = 4|U_{\mu4}|^2 (1 - |U_{\mu4}|^2) \simeq 4|U_{\mu4}|^2$$

- ▶  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  experiments:

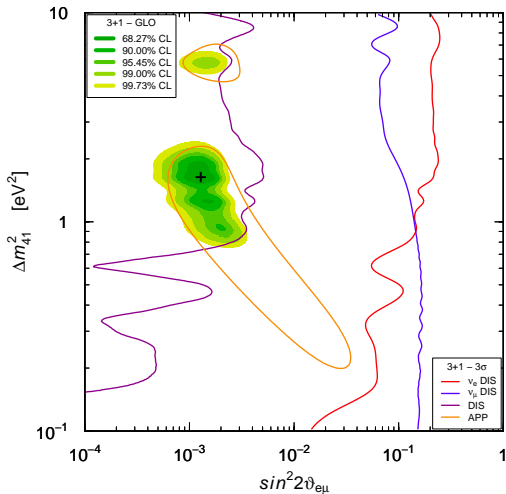
$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu} = 4|U_{e4}|^2|U_{\mu4}|^2 \simeq \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu}$$

- ▶ Upper bounds on  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee}$  and  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} \implies$  strong limit on  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu}$

[Okada, Yasuda, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A12 (1997) 3669-3694]

[Bilenky, Giunti, Grimus, Eur. Phys. J. C1 (1998) 247]

# 3+1 Global Fit



No Osc. GoF = 1.3%  
3+1 GoF = 32%  
PGoF = 4%

- ▶ APP  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  &  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ :  
LSND (Y), MiniBooNE (?),  
ICARUS (N), KARMEN (N),  
NOMAD (N)
- ▶ DIS  $\nu_e$  &  $\bar{\nu}_e$ : Reactors (Y),  
Gallium (Y),  $\nu_e$ C (N),  
Solar (N)
- ▶ DIS  $\nu_\mu$  &  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ : CDHSW (N),  
MINOS (N),  
Atmospheric (N),  
MiniBooNE/SciBooNE (N)

[see also Kopp, Machado,

Maltoni, Schwetz, arXiv:1303.3011]

# Cosmology

- ▶  $N_s$  = number of thermalized sterile neutrinos (not necessarily integer)

- ▶ CMB+LSS in  $\Lambda$ CDM:  $N_s = 1.3 \pm 0.9$   $m_s < 0.66$  eV (95% C.L.)

[Hamann, Hannestad, Raffelt, Tamborra, Wong, PRL 105 (2010) 181301]

$$N_s = 1.61 \pm 0.92 \quad m_s < 0.70 \text{ eV} \quad (95\% \text{ C.L.})$$

[Giusarma, Corsi, Archidiacono, de Putter, Melchiorri, Mena, Pandolfi, PRD 83 (2011) 115023]

- ▶ BBN:  $\begin{cases} N_s \leq 1 \text{ at } 95\% \text{ C.L.} & [\text{Mangano, Serpico, PLB 701 (2011) 296}] \\ N_s = 0.0 \pm 0.5 & [\text{Pettini, Cooke, arXiv:1205.3785}] \end{cases}$

- ▶ CMB+LSS+BBN in  $\Lambda$ CDM:  $N_s = 0.85_{-0.56}^{+0.39}$  (95% C.L.)

[Hamann, Hannestad, Raffelt, Wong, JCAP 1109 (2011) 034]

- ▶ Standard  $\Lambda$ CDM in 2012: 3+1 allowed, 3+2 disfavored

## Recent CMB Measurements

- ▶ highL South Pole Telescope (SPT) [arXiv:1212.6267]

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.62 \pm 0.48 \text{ (WMAP7+SPT)}$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.71 \pm 0.35 \text{ (WMAP7+SPT+BAO+HST)}$$

- ▶ highL Atacama Cosmology Telescope (ACT) [arXiv:1301.0824]

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 2.79 \pm 0.56 \text{ (WMAP7+ACT)}$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.50 \pm 0.42 \text{ (WMAP7+ACT+BAO+HST)}$$

- ▶ Planck [arXiv:1303.5076]

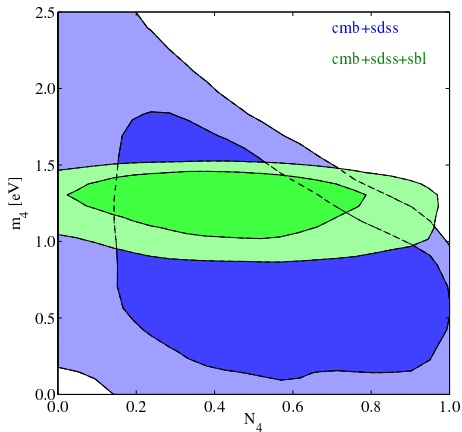
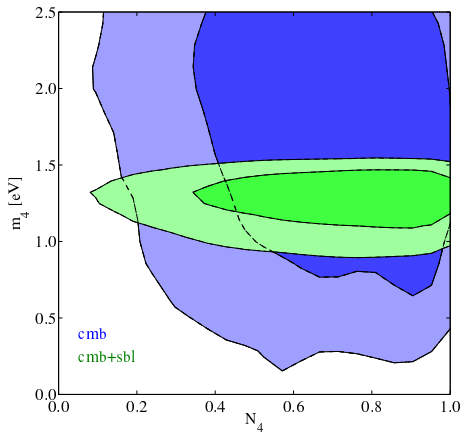
$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.36^{+0.68}_{-0.64} \text{ (95\%; Planck+WMAP9+highL)}$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.30^{+0.54}_{-0.51} \text{ (95\%; Planck+WMAP9+highL+BAO)}$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.52^{+0.48}_{-0.45} \text{ (95\%; Planck+WMAP9+highL+BAO+HST)}$$

# Pre-Planck Oscillation + Cosmology Fit

[Archidiacono, Fornengo, Giunti, Hannestad, Melchiorri, arXiv:1302.6720]



► Mass Hierarchy:  $m_4 \gg m_3, m_2, m_1$

$$\Rightarrow m_4 \simeq \sqrt{\Delta m_{41}^2}$$

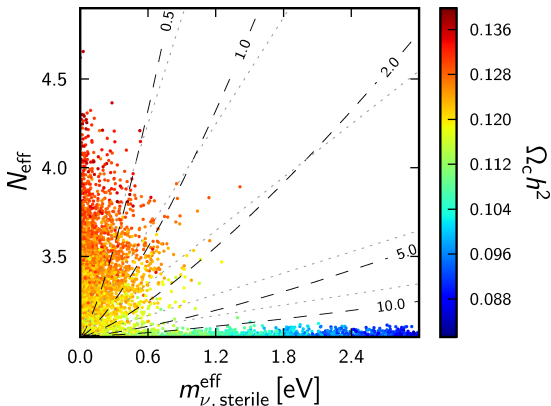
►  $m_4 = 1.23 \pm 0.13 \text{ eV}^2$

►  $N_4 < 0.83$  (95% Bayesian CL)



# Planck

[arXiv:1303.5076]



►  $m_{\nu, \text{sterile}}^{\text{eff}} \equiv 94.1 \omega_{\nu 4} \text{ eV}$

► Thermally distributed:

$$m_{\nu, \text{sterile}}^{\text{eff}} = \left( \frac{T_s}{T_\nu} \right)^3 m_4$$
$$= (\Delta N_{\text{eff}})^{3/4} m_4$$

► Dodelson-Widrow:

$$m_{\nu, \text{sterile}}^{\text{eff}} = \chi_s m_4$$

# Conclusions

- ▶ Robust Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm. Open problems:  $\vartheta_{23} < 45^\circ?$ , CP Violation, Mass Hierarchy, Absolute Mass Scale, Dirac or Majorana?
- ▶ Short-Baseline  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  3+1 Disappearance:
  - ▶ Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  anomaly is alive and exciting
  - ▶ Gallium  $\nu_e$  anomaly strengthened by new cross-section measurements
  - ▶ Many promising projects to test short-baseline  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance in a few years with reactors and radioactive sources
  - ▶ Independent tests through effect of  $m_4$  in  $\beta$ -decay and  $(\beta\beta)_{0\nu}$ -decay
- ▶ Short-Baseline  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  LSND Signal:
  - ▶ MiniBooNE experiment has been inconclusive
  - ▶ Better experiments are needed to check LSND signal
  - ▶ If LSND signal is confirmed  $m_4 \sim 1$  eV, marginally compatible with  $\Lambda$ CDM
- ▶ Light Sterile Neutrinos:
  - ▶ First new particle beyond the Standard Model?
  - ▶ Strongest hint from Reactor and Gallium Anomalies will be checked in several near-future source and reactor experiments
  - ▶ Maybe LSND observed a fluctuation of small  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  transition probability that can be observed in ICARUS@CERN
  - ▶ I have great hopes in near-future experiments!