

# Neutrino Phenomenology

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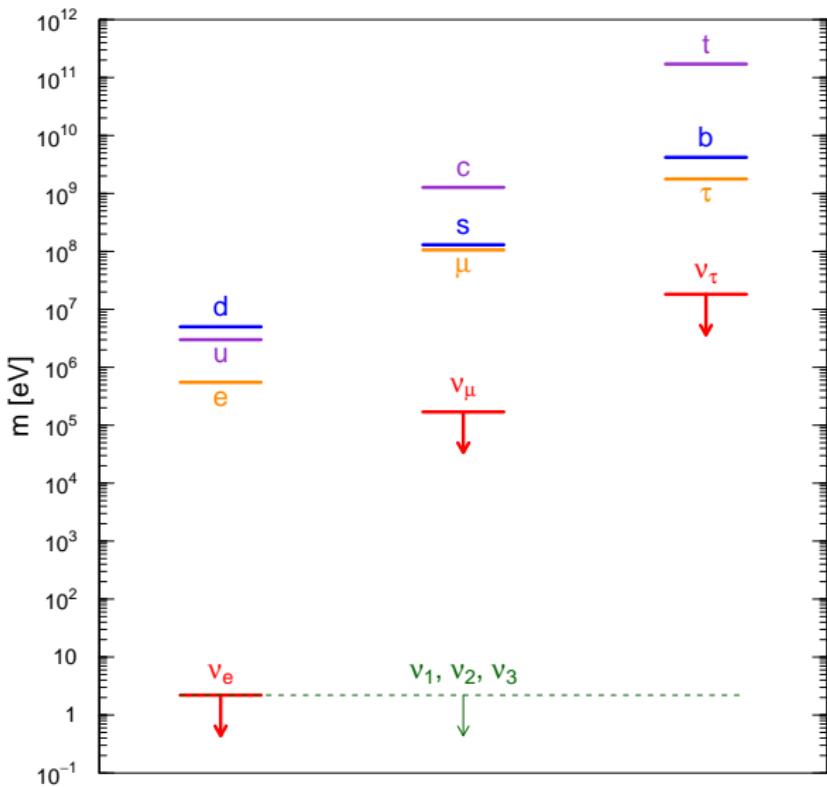
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# Neutrino Masses and Mixing

# Fermion Mass Spectrum



## SM Extension: Dirac $\nu$ Masses

$$L_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \ell_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \ell_R \quad \nu_R$$

Lepton-Higgs Yukawa Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}^D = -y^\ell \overline{L_L} \Phi \ell_R - y^\nu \overline{L_L} \tilde{\Phi} \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$$

Symmetry Breaking

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \quad \tilde{\Phi} = i\sigma_2 \Phi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^D = & -\frac{y^\ell}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{\nu_L} \quad \overline{\ell_L}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \ell_R \\ & -\frac{y^\nu}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{\nu_L} \quad \overline{\ell_L}) \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \nu_R + \text{H.c.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^D = -y^\ell \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{\ell}_L \ell_R - y^\nu \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{\nu}_L \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$$

$$m_\ell = y^\ell \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \quad m_\nu = y^\nu \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$v = \left( \sqrt{2} G_F \right)^{1/2} = 246 \text{ GeV}$$

# Three-Generations Dirac Neutrino Masses

$L'_{eL} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{eL} \\ \ell'_{eL} \equiv e'_L \end{pmatrix}$	$L'_{\mu L} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{\mu L} \\ \ell'_{\mu L} \equiv \mu'_L \end{pmatrix}$	$L'_{\tau L} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{\tau L} \\ \ell'_{\tau L} \equiv \tau'_L \end{pmatrix}$
$\ell'_{eR} \equiv e'_R$	$\ell'_{\mu R} \equiv \mu'_R$	$\ell'_{\tau R} \equiv \tau'_R$
$\nu'_{eR}$	$\nu'_{\mu R}$	$\nu'_{\tau R}$

Lepton-Higgs Yukawa Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}^D = - \sum_{\alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau} \left[ Y_{\alpha\beta}^{\ell\ell} \overline{L'_{\alpha L}} \Phi \ell'_{\beta R} + Y_{\alpha\beta}^{\ell\nu} \overline{L'_{\alpha L}} \tilde{\Phi} \nu'_{\beta R} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$

Symmetry Breaking

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \quad \tilde{\Phi} = i\sigma_2 \Phi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^D = - \sum_{\alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau} \left[ \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y'^{\ell}_{\alpha\beta} \overline{\ell'_{\alpha L}} \ell'_{\beta R} + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y'^{\nu}_{\alpha\beta} \overline{\nu'_{\alpha L}} \nu'_{\beta R} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^D = - \left[ \overline{\ell'_L} M'^{\ell} \ell'_R + \overline{\nu'_L} M'^{\nu} \nu'_R \right] + \text{H.c.}$$

$$\ell'_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e'_L \\ \mu'_L \\ \tau'_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \ell'_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e'_R \\ \mu'_R \\ \tau'_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \nu'_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{eL} \\ \nu'_{\mu L} \\ \nu'_{\tau L} \end{pmatrix} \quad \nu'_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{eR} \\ \nu'_{\mu R} \\ \nu'_{\tau R} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M'^{\ell} = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y'^{\ell} \quad M'^{\nu} = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y'^{\nu}$$

$$M'^{\ell} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M'^{\ell}_{ee} & M'^{\ell}_{e\mu} & M'^{\ell}_{e\tau} \\ M'^{\ell}_{\mu e} & M'^{\ell}_{\mu\mu} & M'^{\ell}_{\mu\tau} \\ M'^{\ell}_{\tau e} & M'^{\ell}_{\tau\mu} & M'^{\ell}_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M'^{\nu} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M'^{\nu}_{ee} & M'^{\nu}_{e\mu} & M'^{\nu}_{e\tau} \\ M'^{\nu}_{\mu e} & M'^{\nu}_{\mu\mu} & M'^{\nu}_{\mu\tau} \\ M'^{\nu}_{\tau e} & M'^{\nu}_{\tau\mu} & M'^{\nu}_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^D = -\overline{\ell'_L} M'^\ell \ell'_R - \overline{\nu'_L} M'^\nu \nu'_R + \text{H.c.}$$

Diagonalization of  $M'^\ell$  and  $M'^\nu$  with unitary  $V_L^\ell$ ,  $V_R^\ell$ ,  $V_L^\nu$ ,  $V_R^\nu$

$$\ell'_L = V_L^\ell \ell_L \quad \ell'_R = V_R^\ell \ell_R \quad \nu'_L = V_L^\nu \mathbf{n}_L \quad \nu'_R = V_R^\nu \mathbf{n}_R$$

Kinetic terms are invariant under unitary transformations of the fields

$$\mathcal{L}^D = -\overline{\ell_L} V_L^{\ell\dagger} M'^\ell V_R^\ell \ell_R - \overline{\nu_L} V_L^{\nu\dagger} M'^\nu V_R^\nu \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$$

$$V_L^{\ell\dagger} M'^\ell V_R^\ell = M^\ell \quad M_{\alpha\beta}^\ell = m_\alpha^\ell \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad (\alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau)$$

$$V_L^{\nu\dagger} M'^\nu V_R^\nu = M^\nu \quad M_{kj}^\nu = m_k^\nu \delta_{kj} \quad (k, j = 1, 2, 3)$$

Real and Positive  $m_\alpha^\ell$ ,  $m_k^\nu$

# Massive Chiral Lepton Fields

$\ell_L = V_L^{\ell\dagger} \ell'_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e_L \\ \mu_L \\ \tau_L \end{pmatrix}$	$\ell_R = V_R^{\ell\dagger} \ell'_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} e_R \\ \mu_R \\ \tau_R \end{pmatrix}$
$n_L = V_L^{\nu\dagger} \nu'_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1L} \\ \nu_{2L} \\ \nu_{3L} \end{pmatrix}$	$n_R = V_R^{\nu\dagger} \nu'_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1R} \\ \nu_{2R} \\ \nu_{3R} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^D &= -\overline{\ell_L} M^\ell \ell_R - \overline{n_L} M^\nu n_R + \text{H.c.} \\ &= -\sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} m_\alpha^\ell \overline{\ell_{\alpha L}} \ell_{\alpha R} - \sum_{k=1}^3 m_k^\nu \overline{\nu_{kL}} \nu_{kR} + \text{H.c.}\end{aligned}$$

# Mixing

## Charged-Current Weak Interaction Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_I^{(CC)} = -\frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} j_W^\rho W_\rho + \text{H.c.}$$

Weak Charged Current:  $j_W^\rho = j_{W,L}^\rho + j_{W,Q}^\rho$

Leptonic Weak Charged Current

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu'_{\alpha L}} \gamma^\rho \ell'_{\alpha L} = 2 \overline{\nu'_L} \gamma^\rho \ell'_L$$

$$\underline{\ell'_L = V_L^\ell \ell_L} \quad \underline{\nu'_L = V_L^\nu \mathbf{n}_L}$$

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \overline{\mathbf{n}_L} V_L^{\nu\dagger} \gamma^\rho V_L^\ell \ell_L = 2 \overline{\mathbf{n}_L} V_L^{\nu\dagger} V_L^\ell \gamma^\rho \ell_L = 2 \overline{\mathbf{n}_L} U^\dagger \gamma^\rho \ell_L$$

Mixing Matrix

$$U^\dagger = V_L^{\nu\dagger} V_L^\ell$$

$$U = V_L^{\ell\dagger} V_L^\nu$$

- ▶ **Definition:** Left-Handed Flavor Neutrino Fields

$$\nu_L = U \mathbf{n}_L = V_L^{\ell\dagger} \nu'_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eL} \\ \nu_{\mu L} \\ \nu_{\tau L} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ They allow us to write the Leptonic Weak Charged Current as in the SM:

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \overline{\nu_L} \gamma^\rho \ell_L = 2 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu_{\alpha L}} \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$$

- ▶ Each left-handed flavor neutrino field is associated with the corresponding charged lepton field which describes a massive charged lepton:

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 (\overline{\nu_{eL}} \gamma^\rho e_L + \overline{\nu_{\mu L}} \gamma^\rho \mu_L + \overline{\nu_{\tau L}} \gamma^\rho \tau_L)$$

- ▶ In practice left-handed flavor neutrino fields are useful for calculations in the SM approximation of massless neutrinos (interactions).
- ▶ If neutrino masses must be taken into account, it is necessary to use

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \overline{\mathbf{n}_L} U^\dagger \gamma^\rho \ell_L = 2 \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} U_{\alpha k}^* \overline{\nu_{kL}} \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$$

# Flavor Lepton Numbers

Flavor Neutrino Fields are useful for defining  
Flavor Lepton Numbers  
as in the SM

	$L_e$	$L_\mu$	$L_\tau$		$L_e$	$L_\mu$	$L_\tau$
$(\nu_e, e^-)$	+1	0	0	$(\nu_e^c, e^+)$	-1	0	0
$(\nu_\mu, \mu^-)$	0	+1	0	$(\nu_\mu^c, \mu^+)$	0	-1	0
$(\nu_\tau, \tau^-)$	0	0	+1	$(\nu_\tau^c, \tau^+)$	0	0	-1

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

Standard Model:

Lepton numbers are conserved

$$\mathcal{L}^D = - \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu_{eL}} & \overline{\nu_{\mu L}} & \overline{\nu_{\tau L}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_{ee}^D & m_{e\mu}^D & m_{e\tau}^D \\ m_{\mu e}^D & m_{\mu\mu}^D & m_{\mu\tau}^D \\ m_{\tau e}^D & m_{\tau\mu}^D & m_{\tau\tau}^D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eR} \\ \nu_{\mu R} \\ \nu_{\tau R} \end{pmatrix} + \text{H.c.}$$

$L_e, L_\mu, L_\tau$  are not conserved

$L$  is conserved:  $L(\nu_{\alpha R}) = L(\nu_{\beta L}) \Rightarrow |\Delta L| = 0$

## Mixing Matrix

- $U = V_L^{\ell\dagger} V_L^\nu = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix}$
- Unitary  $N \times N$  matrix depends on  $N^2$  independent real parameters

$$N = 3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{N(N-1)}{2} &= 3 && \text{Mixing Angles} \\ \frac{N(N+1)}{2} &= 6 && \text{Phases} \end{aligned}$$

- Not all phases are physical observables
- Only physical effect of mixing matrix occurs through its presence in the Leptonic Weak Charged Current

- Weak Charged Current:  $j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu_{kL}} U_{\alpha k}^* \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$
- Apart from the Weak Charged Current, the Lagrangian is invariant under the global phase transformations (6 arbitrary phases)
 
$$\nu_k \rightarrow e^{i\varphi_k} \nu_k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3), \quad \ell_\alpha \rightarrow e^{i\varphi_\alpha} \ell_\alpha \quad (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau)$$
- Performing this transformation, the Charged Current becomes

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu_{kL}} e^{-i\varphi_k} U_{\alpha k}^* e^{i\varphi_\alpha} \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$$

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \underbrace{e^{-i(\varphi_1 - \varphi_e)}}_1 \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu_{kL}} \underbrace{e^{-i(\varphi_k - \varphi_1)}}_2 U_{\alpha k}^* \underbrace{e^{i(\varphi_\alpha - \varphi_e)}}_2 \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$$

- There are 5 arbitrary phases of the fields that can be chosen to eliminate 5 of the 6 phases of the mixing matrix
- 5 and not 6 phases of the mixing matrix can be eliminated because a common rephasing of all the fields leaves the Charged Current invariant  
 $\iff$  conservation of Total Lepton Number.

- ▶ The mixing matrix contains 1 Physical Phase.
- ▶ It is convenient to express the  $3 \times 3$  unitary mixing matrix only in terms of the four physical parameters:

3 Mixing Angles and 1 Phase

# Standard Parameterization of Mixing Matrix

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

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

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

$$c_{ab} \equiv \cos \vartheta_{ab} \quad s_{ab} \equiv \sin \vartheta_{ab} \quad 0 \leq \vartheta_{ab} \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \quad 0 \leq \delta_{13} < 2\pi$$

3 Mixing Angles  $\vartheta_{12}$ ,  $\vartheta_{23}$ ,  $\vartheta_{13}$  and 1 Phase  $\delta_{13}$

## Standard Parameterization

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

## Example of Different Phase Convention

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

## Example of Different Parameterization

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} c'_{12} & s'_{12}e^{-i\delta'_{12}} & 0 \\ -s'_{12}e^{i\delta'_{12}} & c'_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c'_{23} & s'_{23} \\ 0 & -s'_{23} & c'_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c'_{13} & 0 & s'_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s'_{13} & 0 & c'_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Jarlskog Rephasing Invariant

- ▶ Simplest rephasing invariants:  $|U_{\alpha k}|^2 = U_{\alpha k} U_{\alpha k}^*$ ,  $U_{\alpha k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta k}^* U_{\beta j}$

$$\Im[U_{\alpha k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta k}^* U_{\beta j}] = \pm J$$

$$J = \Im[U_{e2} U_{e3}^* U_{\mu 2}^* U_{\mu 3}] = \Im \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \circ & \times \\ \cdot & \times & \circ \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ In standard parameterization:

$$\begin{aligned} J &= c_{12} s_{12} c_{23} s_{23} c_{13}^2 s_{13} \sin \delta_{13} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \sin 2\vartheta_{12} \sin 2\vartheta_{23} \cos \vartheta_{13} \sin 2\vartheta_{13} \sin \delta_{13} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Jarlskog invariant is useful for quantifying CP violation in a parameterization-independent way
- ▶ All measurable CP-violation effects depend on  $J$ .

- ▶ exercise: Show that  $U$  is real if  $\vartheta_{12} = 0$
- ▶ exercise: Show that  $U$  is real if  $\vartheta_{13} = \pi/2$
- ▶ exercise: Show that  $U$  is real if  $m_{\nu_2} = m_{\nu_3}$
- ▶ exercise: Show that  $|J|_{\max} = 1/6\sqrt{3}$  (maximal CP violation). In this case which is the form of the mixing matrix  $U$ ?

# Majorana Mass

- Majorana Constraint:  $\nu = \nu^c$

$$\nu^c = \mathcal{C} \bar{\nu}^T \quad \mathcal{C} \gamma_\mu^T \mathcal{C}^{-1} = -\gamma_\mu$$

- $\nu_L + \nu_R = \nu_L^c + \nu_R^c \implies \nu_L = \nu_R^c$  and  $\nu_R = \nu_L^c$
- Same equation, because from the second  $\nu_R^c = (\nu_L^c)^c = \nu_L$
- $\nu_L$  and  $\nu_R$  are not independent!
- We can take as independent  $\nu_L$
- Substitute  $\nu_R = \nu_L^c$  in  $\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}^D = -m(\bar{\nu}_R \nu_L + \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R)$
- We obtain the Majorana Mass Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}^M = -\frac{m}{2} (\bar{\nu}_L^c \nu_L + \bar{\nu}_L \nu_L^c)$$

# Lepton Number

$$\cancel{L = +1} \quad \leftarrow \quad \boxed{\nu = \nu^c} \quad \rightarrow \quad \cancel{L = -1}$$

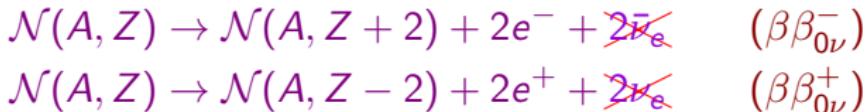
$$\nu_L \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = +1 \qquad \qquad \nu_L^c \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = -1$$

$$\mathcal{L}^M = -\frac{m}{2} (\overline{\nu_L^c} \nu_L + \overline{\nu_L} \nu_L^c)$$

Total Lepton Number is not conserved:  $\Delta L = \pm 2$

Best process to find violation of Total Lepton Number:

Neutrinoless Double- $\beta$  Decay



# No Majorana Neutrino Mass in the SM

- ▶ Majorana Mass Term  $\propto [\nu_L^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger \nu_L - \overline{\nu}_L \mathcal{C} \overline{\nu}_L^T]$  involves only the neutrino left-handed chiral field  $\nu_L$ , which is present in the SM (one for each lepton generation)
- ▶ Eigenvalues of the weak isospin  $I$ , of its third component  $I_3$ , of the hypercharge  $Y$  and of the charge  $Q$  of the lepton and Higgs multiplets:

	$I$	$I_3$	$Y$	$Q = I_3 + \frac{Y}{2}$
lepton doublet $L_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \ell_L \end{pmatrix}$	1/2	1/2 -1/2	-1	0 -1
lepton singlet $\ell_R$	0	0	-2	-1
Higgs doublet $\Phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_+(x) \\ \phi_0(x) \end{pmatrix}$	1/2	1/2 -1/2	+1	1 0

- ▶  $\nu_L^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger \nu_L$  has  $I_3 = 1$  and  $Y = -2 \implies$  needed Higgs triplet with  $Y = 2$

# Mixing of Three Majorana Neutrinos

- $\nu'_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_{eL} \\ \nu'_{\mu L} \\ \nu'_{\tau L} \end{pmatrix}$
- $$\mathcal{L}^M = \frac{1}{2} \nu'^T_L C^\dagger M^L \nu'_L + \text{H.c.}$$
- $$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau} \nu'^T_{\alpha L} C^\dagger M^L_{\alpha \beta} \nu'_{\beta L} + \text{H.c.}$$
- In general, the matrix  $M^L$  is a complex symmetric matrix
- $$\sum_{\alpha, \beta} \nu'^T_{\alpha L} C^\dagger M^L_{\alpha \beta} \nu'_{\beta L} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left( \nu'^T_{\alpha L} C^\dagger M^L_{\alpha \beta} \nu'_{\beta L} \right)^T$$
- $$= - \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \nu'^T_{\beta L} M^L_{\alpha \beta} (C^\dagger)^T \nu'_{\alpha L} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \nu'^T_{\beta L} C^\dagger M^L_{\alpha \beta} \nu'_{\alpha L}$$
- $$= \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \nu'^T_{\alpha L} C^\dagger M^L_{\beta \alpha} \nu'_{\beta L}$$

$$M^L_{\alpha \beta} = M^L_{\beta \alpha} \iff M^L = M^{L^T}$$

# Diagonalization of Majorana Mass Matrix

- ▶  $\mathcal{L}^M = \frac{1}{2} \nu_L'^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger M^L \nu_L' + \text{H.c.}$
- ▶  $\nu_L' = V_L^\nu \mathbf{n}_L \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}^M = \frac{1}{2} \nu_L'^T (V_L^\nu)^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger M^L V_L^\nu \nu_L' + \text{H.c.}$
- ▶  $(V_L^\nu)^T M^L V_L^\nu = M, \quad M_{kj} = m_k \delta_{kj} \quad (k,j = 1, 2, 3)$
- ▶ Neutrino fields with definite mass:  $\mathbf{n}_L = V_L^{\nu\dagger} \nu_L' = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1L} \\ \nu_{2L} \\ \nu_{3L} \end{pmatrix}$ 
$$\mathcal{L}^M = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^3 m_k \left( \nu_{kL}^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger \nu_{kL} - \overline{\nu_{kL}} \mathcal{C} \nu_{kL}^T \right)$$

# Mixing Matrix

- Leptonic Weak Charged Current:

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \overline{\mathbf{n}_L} U^\dagger \gamma^\rho \ell_L \quad \text{with} \quad U = V_L^{\ell\dagger} V_L^\nu$$

- Definition of the left-handed flavor neutrino fields:

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}_L = U \mathbf{n}_L = V_L^{\ell\dagger} \boldsymbol{\nu}'_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eL} \\ \nu_{\mu L} \\ \nu_{\tau L} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Leptonic Weak Charged Current has the SM form

$$j_{W,L}^\rho = 2 \overline{\boldsymbol{\nu}_L} \gamma^\rho \ell_L = 2 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\nu_{\alpha L}} \gamma^\rho \ell_{\alpha L}$$

- Important difference with respect to Dirac case:  
Two additional CP-violating phases: Majorana phases

- Majorana Mass Term  $\mathcal{L}^M = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^3 m_k \nu_{kL}^T \mathcal{C}^\dagger \nu_{kL} + \text{H.c.}$  is not invariant under global  $U(1)$  gauge transformations  $\nu_{kL} \rightarrow e^{i\varphi_k} \nu_{kL}$  ( $k = 1, 2, 3$ )

$$j_{W,L}^{\rho\dagger} = 2 \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} \overline{\ell_{\alpha L}} \gamma^\rho U_{\alpha k} \nu_{kL}$$

- Two Majorana phases factorized on the right of mixing matrix cannot be eliminated:

$$U = U^D D^M \quad D^M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $U^D$  is analogous to a Dirac mixing matrix, with one Dirac phase
- Standard parameterization:

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

# One-Generation Dirac-Majorana Mass Term

If  $\nu_R$  exists, the most general mass term is the

Dirac-Majorana Mass Term

$$\mathcal{L}^{D+M} = \mathcal{L}^D + \cancel{\mathcal{L}^L} + \mathcal{L}^R$$

$$\mathcal{L}^D = -m^D \overline{\nu_R} \nu_L + \text{H.c.} \quad \text{Dirac Mass Term}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^L = \frac{1}{2} m_L^M \nu_L^T C^\dagger \nu_L + \text{H.c.}$$

$\nu_L$  Majorana Mass Term forbidden by SM Symmetries

$$\mathcal{L}^R = \frac{1}{2} m_R^M \nu_R^T C^\dagger \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$$

New  $\nu_R$  Majorana Mass Term allowed by SM Symmetries!

# See-Saw Mechanism

$$\mathcal{L}^{D+M} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu_L^c} & \overline{\nu_R} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m^D \\ m^D & m_R^M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \nu_R^c \end{pmatrix} + \text{H.c.}$$

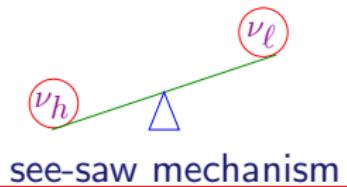
$m_R^M$  can be arbitrarily large (not protected by SM symmetries)

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

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

natural explanation of smallness  
of light neutrino masses

massive neutrinos are Majorana!



3-GEN  $\Rightarrow$  effective low-energy 3- $\nu$  mixing

[Minkowski, PLB 67 (1977) 42]

[Yanagida (1979); Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky (1979); Mohapatra, Senjanovic, PRL 44 (1980) 912]

## Neutrino Oscillations in Vacuum

## Flavor Neutrino Oscillations

- ▶ 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

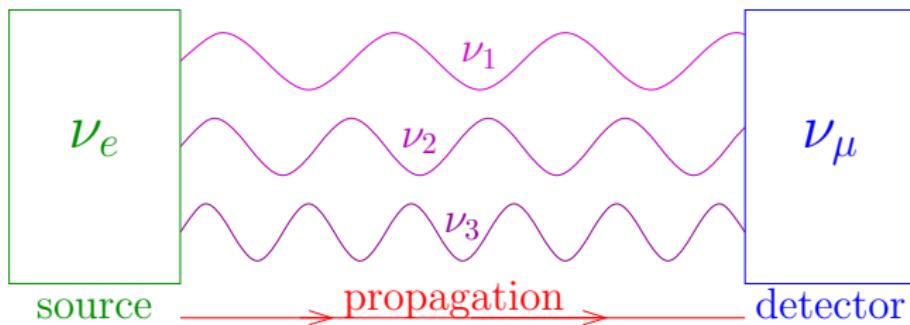
$$|\nu_e\rangle = U_{e1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

$$|\nu_\mu\rangle = U_{\mu 1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\mu 2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\mu 3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

$$|\nu_\tau\rangle = U_{\tau 1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\tau 2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\tau 3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

- ▶  $U$  is the  $3 \times 3$  unitary 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

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

$$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\tau$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# Early History of Neutrino Oscillations

- ▶ 1957: Pontecorvo proposed Neutrino Oscillations in analogy with  $K^0 \leftrightarrows \bar{K}^0$  oscillations (Gell-Mann and Pais, 1955)  $\implies \nu \leftrightarrows \bar{\nu}$
- ▶ In 1957 only one neutrino  $\nu = \nu_e$  was known!
- ▶ 1958: Goldhaber, Grodzins and Sunyar measure neutrino helicity:  $\nu_L$
- ▶ Then, in weak interactions  $\nu_L$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$
- ▶ Helicity conservation  $\implies \nu_L \leftrightarrows \bar{\nu}_L$
- ▶  $\bar{\nu}_L$  is a sterile neutrino (Pontecorvo, 1967)
- ▶ 1962: Lederman, Schwartz and Steinberger discover  $\nu_\mu$
- ▶ 1962: Maki, Nakagava, Sakata proposed a model with neutrino mixing:

$$\nu_e = \cos \vartheta \nu_1 + \sin \vartheta \nu_2$$

$$\nu_\mu = -\sin \vartheta \nu_1 + \cos \vartheta \nu_2$$

"weak neutrinos are not stable due to the occurrence of a virtual transmutation  $\nu_e \leftrightarrows \nu_\mu$ "

- ▶ 1967: Pontecorvo:  $\nu_e \leftrightarrows \nu_\mu$  oscillations and applications (solar neutrinos)

# Ultrarelativistic Approximation

Only neutrinos with energy  $\gtrsim 0.1$  MeV are detectable!

Charged-Current Processes: Threshold

$$\begin{aligned} \nu + A &\rightarrow B + C \\ \Downarrow \\ s = 2Em_A + m_A^2 &\geq (m_B + m_C)^2 \\ \Downarrow \\ E_{\text{th}} &= \frac{(m_B + m_C)^2}{2m_A} - \frac{m_A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$\nu_e + {}^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow {}^{71}\text{Ge} + e^-$	$E_{\text{th}} = 0.233$ MeV
$\nu_e + {}^{37}\text{Cl} \rightarrow {}^{37}\text{Ar} + e^-$	$E_{\text{th}} = 0.81$ MeV
$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$	$E_{\text{th}} = 1.8$ MeV
$\nu_\mu + n \rightarrow p + \mu^-$	$E_{\text{th}} = 110$ MeV
$\nu_\mu + e^- \rightarrow \nu_e + \mu^-$	$E_{\text{th}} \simeq \frac{m_\mu^2}{2m_e} = 10.9$ GeV

Elastic Scattering Processes: Cross Section  $\propto$  Energy

$$\nu + e^- \rightarrow \nu + e^- \quad \sigma(E) \sim \sigma_0 E/m_e \quad \sigma_0 \sim 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$$

Background  $\implies E_{\text{th}} \simeq 5$  MeV (SK, SNO), 0.25 MeV (Borexino)

Laboratory and Astrophysical Limits  $\implies$   $m_\nu \lesssim 1$  eV

# Easy Example of Neutrino Production

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

$$\nu_\mu = \sum_k U_{\mu k} \nu_k$$

two-body decay  $\implies$  fixed kinematics

$$E_k^2 = p_k^2 + m_k^2$$

$\pi$  at rest: 
$$\begin{cases} p_k^2 = \frac{m_\pi^2}{4} \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right)^2 - \frac{m_k^2}{2} \left(1 + \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) + \frac{m_k^4}{4m_\pi^2} \\ E_k^2 = \frac{m_\pi^2}{4} \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right)^2 + \frac{m_k^2}{2} \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) + \frac{m_k^4}{4m_\pi^2} \end{cases}$$

$0^{\text{th}}$  order:  $m_k = 0 \Rightarrow p_k = E_k = E = \frac{m_\pi}{2} \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \simeq 30 \text{ MeV}$

$1^{\text{st}}$  order:  $E_k \simeq E + \xi \frac{m_k^2}{2E}$

$p_k \simeq E - (1 - \xi) \frac{m_k^2}{2E}$

$$\xi = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \simeq 0.2$$

# Flavor Transitions

[Eliezer, Swift, NPB 105 (1976) 45] [Fritzsch, Minkowski, PLB 62 (1976) 72] [Bilenky, Pontecorvo, SJNP 24 (1976) 316]

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} \sim W_\rho (\overline{\nu_{eL}} \gamma^\rho e_L + \overline{\nu_{\mu L}} \gamma^\rho \mu_L + \overline{\nu_{\tau L}} \gamma^\rho \tau_L)$$

Fields       $\nu_\alpha = \sum_k U_{\alpha k} \nu_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad |\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* |\nu_k\rangle \quad \text{States}$

initial flavor:  $\alpha = e \text{ or } \mu \text{ or } \tau$

$$|\nu_k(t, x)\rangle = e^{-iE_k t + ip_k x} |\nu_k\rangle \Rightarrow |\nu_\alpha(t, x)\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* e^{-iE_k t + ip_k x} |\nu_k\rangle$$

$$|\nu_k\rangle = \sum_{\beta=e,\mu,\tau} U_{\beta k} |\nu_\beta\rangle \Rightarrow |\nu_\alpha(t, x)\rangle = \sum_{\beta=e,\mu,\tau} \underbrace{\left( \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* e^{-iE_k t + ip_k x} U_{\beta k} \right)}_{\mathcal{A}_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(t, x)} |\nu_\beta\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(0, 0) = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \mathcal{A}_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(t > 0, x > 0) \neq \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(t, x) = |\mathcal{A}_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(t, x)|^2 = \left| \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* e^{-iE_k t + i p_k x} U_{\beta k} \right|^2$$

ultra-relativistic neutrinos  $\implies t \simeq x = L$  source-detector distance

$$E_k t - p_k x \simeq (E_k - p_k) L = \frac{E_k^2 - p_k^2}{E_k + p_k} L = \frac{m_k^2}{E_k + p_k} L \simeq \frac{m_k^2}{2E} L$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) &= \left| \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* e^{-im_k^2 L/2E} U_{\beta k} \right|^2 \quad \Delta m_{kj}^2 \equiv m_k^2 - m_j^2 \\ &= \sum_{k,j} U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right) \end{aligned}$$

- exercise: Derive  $P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}$  assuming  $p_k = p$  and  $|\nu_k(t)\rangle = e^{-iE_k t} |\nu_k\rangle$ . Why the result is the same?

# Antineutrinos

Right-handed antineutrinos are described by CP-conjugated fields:

$$\nu^{\text{CP}} = \gamma^0 \mathcal{C} \bar{\nu}^T = -\mathcal{C} \nu^*$$

C  $\implies$  Particle  $\leftrightarrows$  Antiparticle

P  $\implies$  Left-Handed  $\leftrightarrows$  Right-Handed

Fields:  $\nu_{\alpha L} = \sum_k U_{\alpha k} \nu_{kL}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{CP}}$   $\nu_{\alpha L}^{\text{CP}} = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* \nu_{kL}^{\text{CP}}$

States:  $|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* |\nu_k\rangle$   $\xrightarrow{\text{CP}}$   $|\bar{\nu}_\alpha\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k} |\bar{\nu}_k\rangle$

NEUTRINOS     $U$   $\leftrightarrows$   $U^*$     ANTINEUTRINOS

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) = \sum_{k,j} U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

$$P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta}(L, E) = \sum_{k,j} U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

- exercise: Derive  $P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta}$  from  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CC}}$ .

# CPT Symmetry

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} \xrightarrow{\text{CPT}} P_{\bar{\nu}_\beta \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha}$$

CPT Asymmetries:  $A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CPT}} = P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} - P_{\bar{\nu}_\beta \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha}$

Local Quantum Field Theory  $\implies A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CPT}} = 0$  CPT Symmetry

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) = \sum_{k,j} U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

is invariant under CPT:  $U \leftrightarrows U^* \quad \alpha \leftrightarrows \beta$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = P_{\bar{\nu}_\beta \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha}$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha}$$

(solar  $\nu_e$ , reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$ , accelerator  $\nu_\mu$ )

# CP Symmetry

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} \xrightarrow{\text{CP}} P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta}$$

CP Asymmetries:  $A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CP}} = P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} - P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta}$

$$A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CP}}(L, E) = 4 \sum_{k>j} \text{Im} [U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*] \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

Jarlskog rephasing invariant:  $\text{Im} [U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*] = \pm J$

$$J = c_{12}s_{12}c_{23}s_{23}c_{13}^2 s_{13} \sin \delta_{13}$$

CP violation is proportional to  $\text{Im}[U_{e3}] = -s_{13} \sin \delta_{13}$

$$\text{CPT} \Rightarrow A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CP}} = -A_{\beta\alpha}^{\text{CP}} \quad \underline{\text{exercise}}$$

## T Symmetry

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} \xrightarrow{\text{T}} P_{\nu_\beta \rightarrow \nu_\alpha}$$

T Asymmetries:  $A_{\alpha\beta}^T = P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} - P_{\nu_\beta \rightarrow \nu_\alpha}$

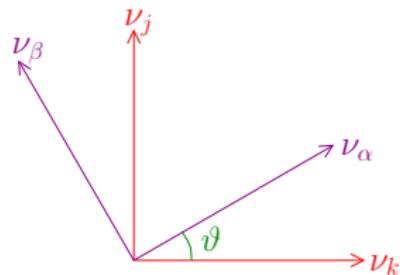
CPT  $\Rightarrow A_{\alpha\beta}^T = A_{\beta\alpha}^{\text{CP}}$  exercise

$$A_{\alpha\beta}^T(L, E) = 4 \sum_{k>j} \text{Im} [U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*] \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}\right)$$

Jarlskog rephasing invariant:  $\text{Im} [U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*] = \pm J$

# Two-Neutrino Mixing and Oscillations

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu_\alpha\rangle &= \cos\vartheta |\nu_k\rangle + \sin\vartheta |\nu_j\rangle \\ |\nu_\beta\rangle &= -\sin\vartheta |\nu_k\rangle + \cos\vartheta |\nu_j\rangle \end{aligned}$$



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

$$\Delta m^2 \equiv \Delta m_{kj}^2 \equiv m_k^2 - m_j^2$$

Transition Probability:

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = P_{\nu_\beta \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = \sin^2 2\vartheta \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

Survival Probabilities:

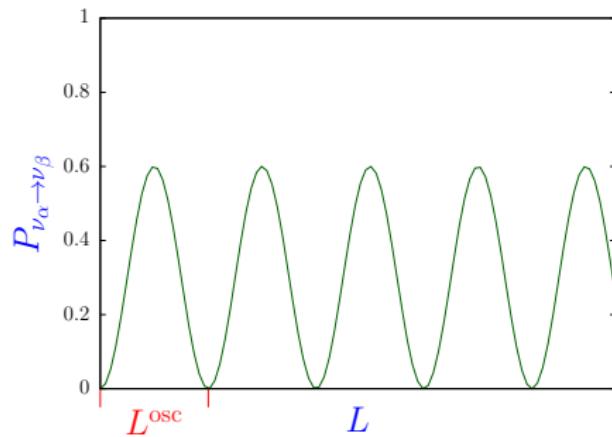
$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = P_{\nu_\beta \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = 1 - P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}$$

oscillation phase

$$\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} = 1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 [\text{eV}^2] L[\text{m}]}{E[\text{MeV}]} = 1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 [\text{eV}^2] L[\text{km}]}{E[\text{GeV}]}$$

oscillation length

$$L^{\text{osc}} = \frac{4\pi E}{\Delta m^2} = 2.47 \frac{E [\text{MeV}]}{\Delta m^2 [\text{eV}^2]} \text{ m} = 2.47 \frac{E [\text{GeV}]}{\Delta m^2 [\text{eV}^2]} \text{ km}$$



# Types of Experiments

transitions due to  $\Delta m^2$  observable only if  $\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{E} \gtrsim 1 \Leftrightarrow \Delta m^2 \gtrsim \left(\frac{L}{E}\right)^{-1}$

SBL Reactor:  $L \sim 10\text{ m}$ ,  $E \sim 1\text{ MeV}$   
 $L/E \lesssim 10\text{ eV}^{-2} \Rightarrow \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 0.1\text{ eV}^2$  Accelerator:  $L \sim 1\text{ km}$ ,  $E \gtrsim 0.1\text{ GeV}$

ATM & LBL Reactor:  $L \sim 1\text{ km}$ ,  $E \sim 1\text{ MeV}$  CHOOZ, PALO VERDE  
 $L/E \lesssim 10^4\text{ eV}^{-2}$  Accelerator:  $L \sim 10^3\text{ km}$ ,  $E \gtrsim 1\text{ GeV}$  K2K, MINOS, CNGS  
 $\Downarrow$  Atmospheric:  $L \sim 10^2 - 10^4\text{ km}$ ,  $E \sim 0.1 - 10^2\text{ GeV}$   
 $\Delta m^2 \gtrsim 10^{-4}\text{ eV}^2$  Kamiokande, IMB, Super-Kamiokande, Soudan, MACRO, MINOS

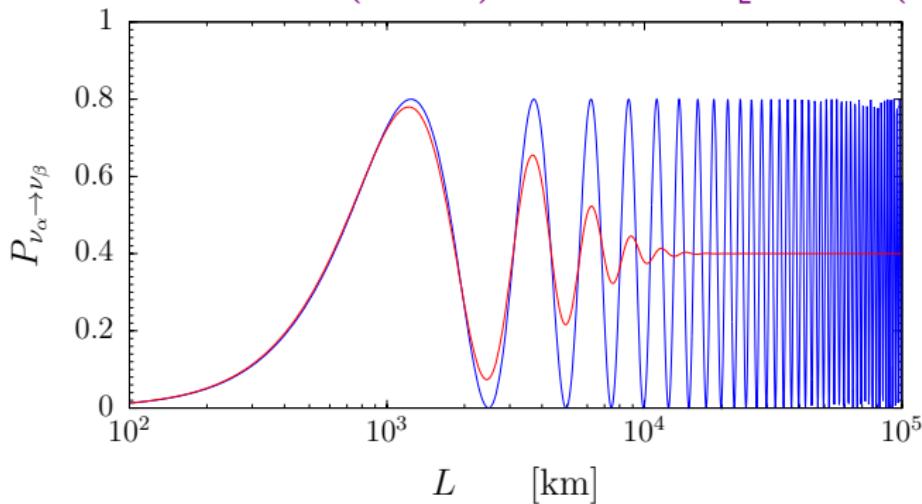
SUN  $L \sim 10^8\text{ km}$ ,  $E \sim 0.1 - 10\text{ MeV}$   
 $\frac{L}{E} \sim 10^{11}\text{ eV}^{-2} \Rightarrow \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 10^{-11}\text{ eV}^2$  Homestake, Kamiokande, GALLEX, SAGE,  
Super-Kamiokande, GNO, SNO, Borexino

Matter Effect (MSW)  $\Rightarrow 10^{-4} \lesssim \sin^2 2\vartheta \lesssim 1$ ,  $10^{-8}\text{ eV}^2 \lesssim \Delta m^2 \lesssim 10^{-4}\text{ eV}^2$

VLBL Reactor:  $L \sim 10^2\text{ km}$ ,  $E \sim 1\text{ MeV}$   
 $L/E \lesssim 10^5\text{ eV}^{-2} \Rightarrow \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 10^{-5}\text{ eV}^2$  KamLAND

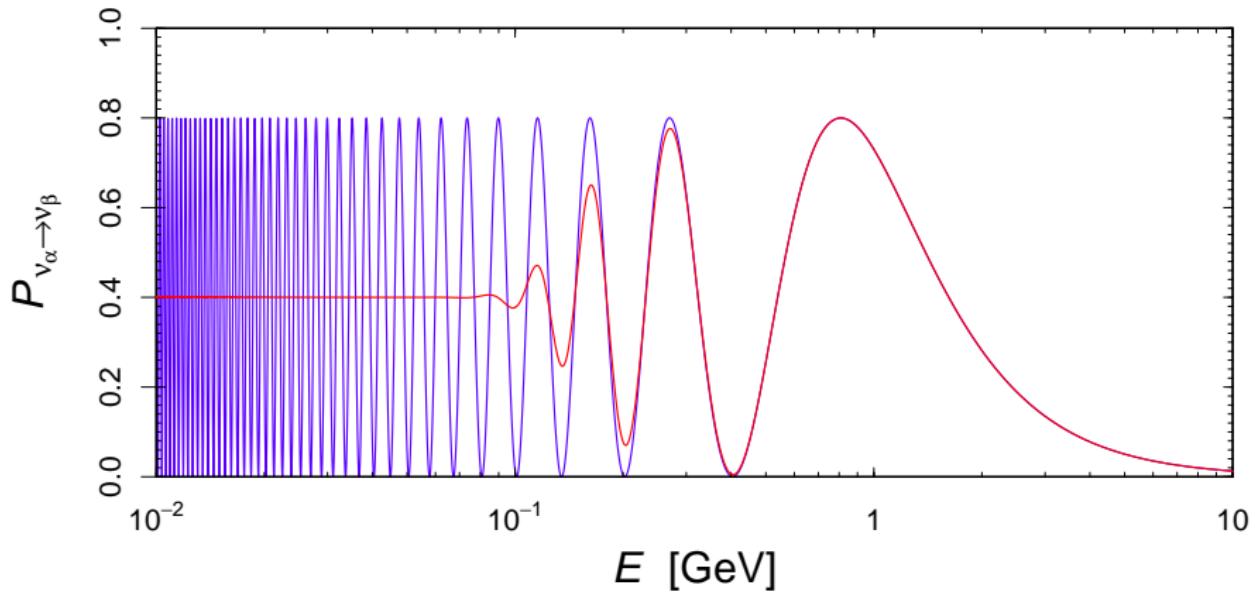
# Average over Energy Resolution of the Detector

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) = \sin^2 2\vartheta \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta \left[ 1 - \cos \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{2E} \right) \right]$$



$$\Delta m^2 = 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \quad \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.8 \quad \langle E \rangle = 1 \text{ GeV} \quad \sigma_E = 0.1 \text{ GeV}$$

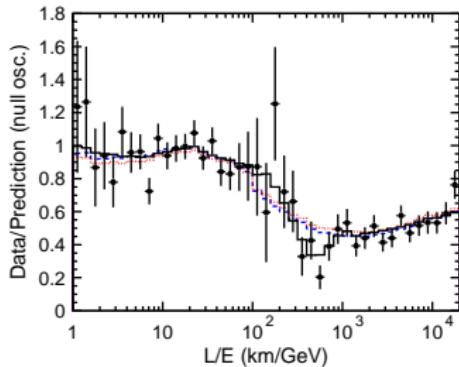
$$\langle P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta \left[ 1 - \int \cos \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{2E} \right) \phi(E) dE \right] \quad (\alpha \neq \beta)$$



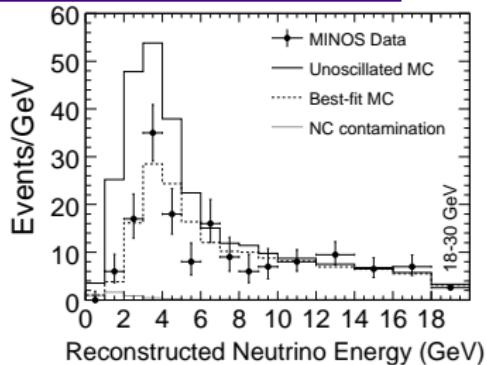
$$\Delta m^2 = 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \quad \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.8 \quad L = 10^3 \text{ km} \quad \sigma_E = 0.01 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta \left[ 1 - \int \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{2E}\right) \phi(E) dE \right] \quad (\alpha \neq \beta)$$

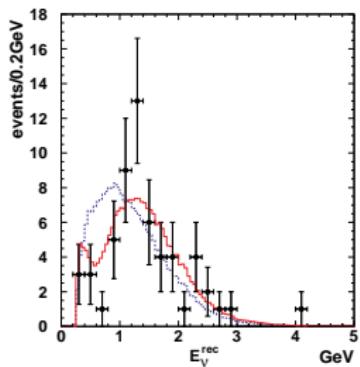
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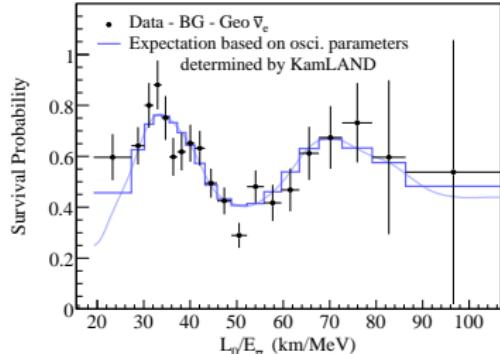
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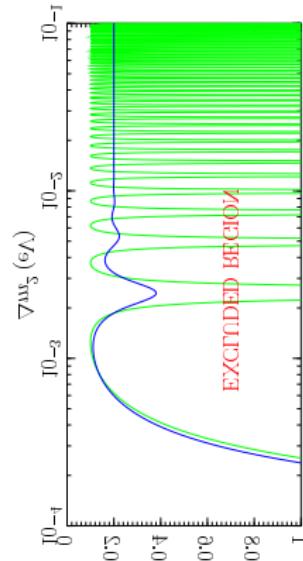
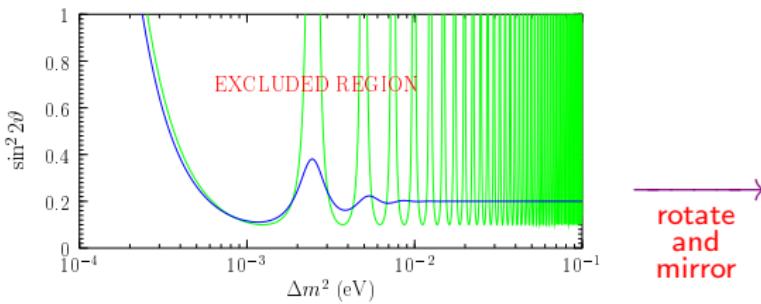


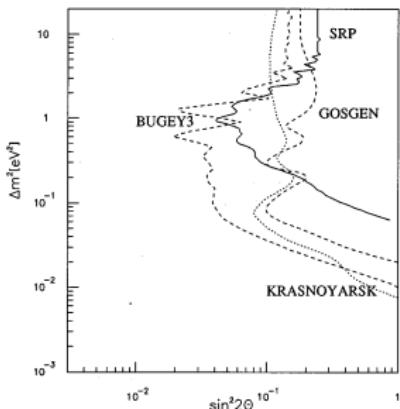
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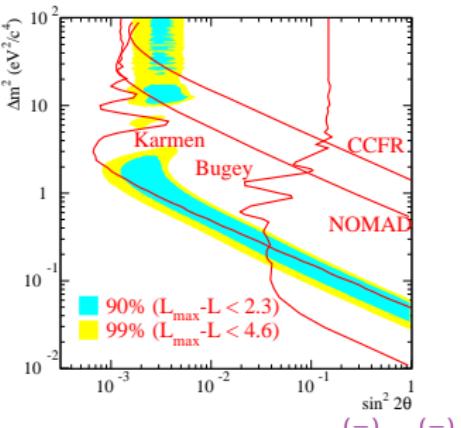
$$\langle P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta \left[ 1 - \int \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{2E}\right) \phi(E) dE \right] \quad (\alpha \neq \beta)$$

$$\langle P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}(L, E) \rangle \leq P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}^{\max} \implies \sin^2 2\vartheta \leq \frac{2 P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta}^{\max}}{1 - \int \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{2E}\right) \phi(E) dE}$$

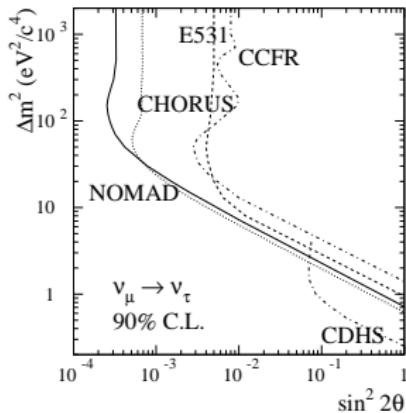




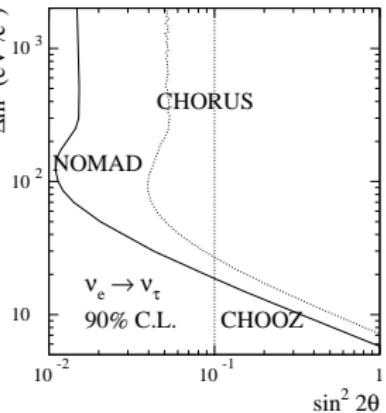
Reactor SBL Experiments:  $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$



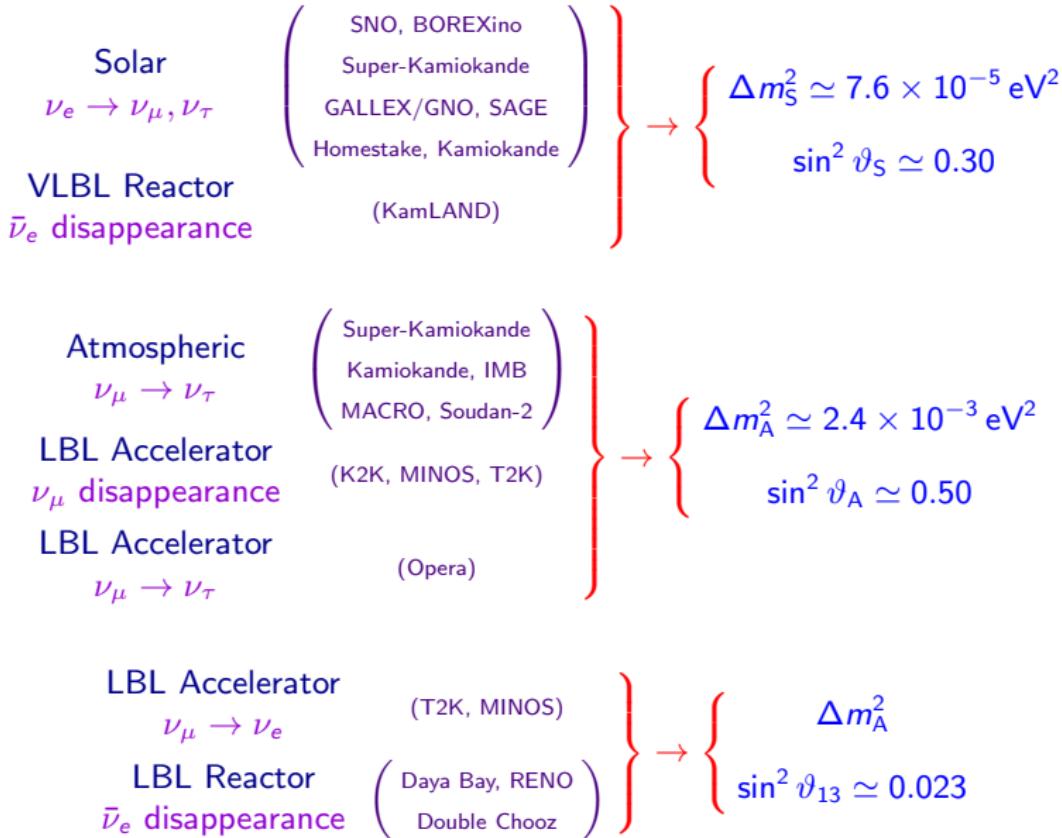
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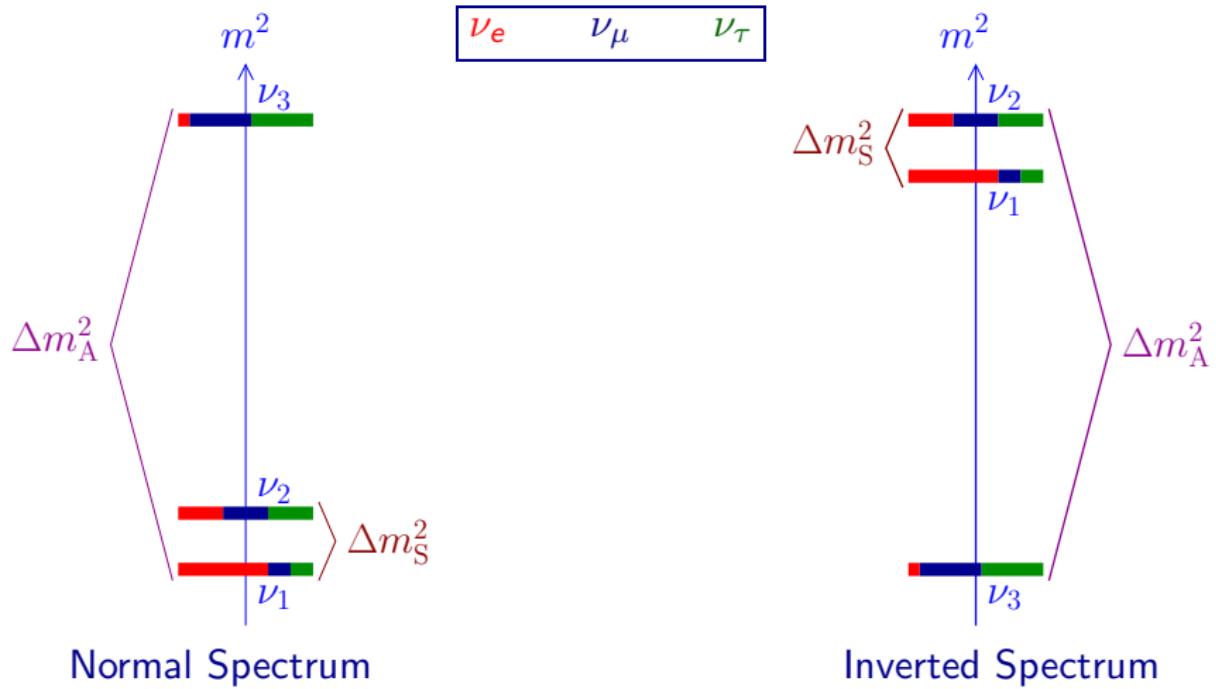
Accelerator SBL Experiments:  $(-) \nu_\mu \rightarrow (-) \nu_\tau$  and  $(-) \nu_e \rightarrow (-) \nu_\tau$



# Observations of Neutrino Oscillations



# Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm



Normal Spectrum

Inverted Spectrum

$$\Delta m_S^2 = \Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50 \pm 0.20 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{uncertainty} \simeq 2.6\%$$

$$\Delta m_A^2 = |\Delta m_{31}^2| \simeq |\Delta m_{32}^2| = 2.32_{-0.08}^{+0.12} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{uncertainty} \simeq 5\%$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\beta\beta_{0\nu}$$

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

T2K, MINOS

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

Daya Bay, RENO

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

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

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

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

$\delta_{13} \neq 0, \pi \implies$  CP violation in  $\nu$  osc.

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} \neq P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta} \quad (\alpha \neq \beta)$$

## Effective VLBL $\nu_e$ Survival Probability

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} = \left| \sum_{k=1}^3 |U_{ek}|^2 e^{-im_k^2 L/2E} \right|^2$$

$$|U_{e3}|^2 \ll |U_{e1}|^2, |U_{e2}|^2 \implies |U_{e1}|^2 \simeq \cos \vartheta_{12}, |U_{e2}|^2 \simeq \sin \vartheta_{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} &\simeq \left| \sum_{k=1}^2 |U_{ek}|^2 e^{-im_k^2 L/2E} \right|^2 \\ &\simeq \left| \cos^2 \vartheta_{12} e^{-im_1^2 L/2E} + \sin^2 \vartheta_{12} e^{-im_2^2 L/2E} \right|^2 \\ &= \cos^4 \vartheta_{12} + \sin^4 \vartheta_{12} + 2 \cos^2 \vartheta_{12} \cos^2 \vartheta_{12} \cos \left( \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E} \right) \\ &= 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{12} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Solar $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$

$$|U_{e3}|^2 \ll 1$$

$$U \simeq \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12}c_{23} & c_{12}c_{23} & s_{23} \\ s_{12}s_{23} & -c_{12}s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{cases} \nu_e = c_{12}\nu_1 + s_{12}\nu_2 \\ \nu_a^{(S)} = -s_{12}\nu_1 + c_{12}\nu_2 \\ \quad \quad \quad = c_{23}\nu_\mu - s_{23}\nu_\tau \end{cases}$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} \simeq 1 \implies \vartheta_{23} \simeq \frac{\pi}{4} \implies U \simeq \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12}/\sqrt{2} & c_{12}/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ s_{12}/\sqrt{2} & -c_{12}/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solar } \nu_e \rightarrow \nu_a^{(S)} \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau)$$

$$\frac{\Phi_{CC}^{SNO}}{\Phi_{\nu_e}^{SSM}} \simeq \frac{1}{3} \implies \Phi_{\nu_e} \simeq \Phi_{\nu_\mu} \simeq \Phi_{\nu_\tau} \text{ for } E \gtrsim 6 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_S \simeq \frac{1}{3} \implies U \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2/3} & 1/\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Tri-Bimaximal Mixing

[Harrison, Perkins, Scott, hep-ph/0202074]

# Effective ATM and LBL Oscillation Probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} e^{-im_k^2 L/2E} \right|^2 * \left| e^{im_1^2 L/2E} \right|^2 \\ &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{k1}^2 L}{2E}\right) \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E} \ll 1$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = \left| U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} + U_{\alpha 2}^* U_{\beta 2} + U_{\alpha 3}^* U_{\beta 3} \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E}\right) \right|^2$$

$$U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} + U_{\alpha 2}^* U_{\beta 2} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - U_{\alpha 3}^* U_{\beta 3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} &= \left| \delta_{\alpha\beta} - U_{\alpha 3}^* U_{\beta 3} \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E}\right) \right] \right|^2 \\
&= \delta_{\alpha\beta} + |U_{\alpha 3}|^2 |U_{\beta 3}|^2 \left( 2 - 2 \cos \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E} \right) \\
&\quad - 2\delta_{\alpha\beta} |U_{\alpha 3}|^2 \left( 1 - \cos \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E} \right) \\
&= \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 2|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 (\delta_{\alpha\beta} - |U_{\beta 3}|^2) \left( 1 - \cos \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E} \right) \\
&= \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 (\delta_{\alpha\beta} - |U_{\beta 3}|^2) \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha \neq \beta \implies P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = 4|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 |U_{\beta 3}|^2 \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

$$\alpha = \beta \implies P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = 1 - 4|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 (1 - |U_{\alpha 3}|^2) \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right) \quad (\alpha \neq \beta)$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} = 4|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 |U_{\beta 3}|^2$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\alpha} = 4|U_{\alpha 3}|^2 (1 - |U_{\alpha 3}|^2)$$

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

$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \ll 1$   
 $\Downarrow$   
 $|U_{e3}|^2 \simeq \frac{\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee}}{4}$

↑  
LBL

# Effective ATM and LBL Oscillation Amplitudes

- $\nu_e$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = 4|U_{e3}|^2 (1 - |U_{e3}|^2) = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{13} \simeq 0.090$$

Chooz, Palo Verde, Daya Bay, RENO

- $\nu_\mu$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} = 4|U_{\mu 3}|^2 (1 - |U_{\mu 3}|^2) \simeq (1 - \sin^2 \vartheta_{13}) \sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} \simeq 1 - \epsilon$$

$$|U_{\mu 3}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (1 \pm \sqrt{\epsilon})$$

ATM, K2K, MINOS

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

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu e} = 4|U_{e3}|^2 |U_{\mu 3}|^2 = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{13} \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} \simeq 0.045$$

T2K, MINOS

- $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$  experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\tau} = 4|U_{\mu 3}|^2 |U_{\tau 3}|^2 = (1 - \sin^2 \vartheta_{13})^2 \sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} \simeq 0.95$$

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# CP Violation?

- ▶ In this approximation there is no observable CP-violation effect!
- ▶ CP-violation can be observed only with sensitivity to  $\Delta m_{21}^2$ : in vacuum

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CP}} &= P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} - P_{\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta} \\ &= -16 J_{\alpha\beta} \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E}\right) \end{aligned}$$

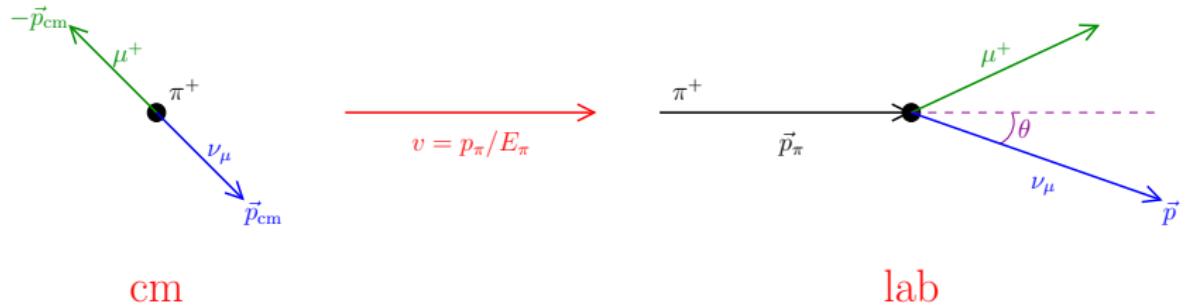
$$J_{\alpha\beta} = \text{Im}(U_{\alpha 1} U_{\alpha 2}^* U_{\beta 1}^* U_{\beta 2}) = \pm J$$

$$J = s_{12} c_{12} s_{23} c_{23} s_{13} c_{13}^2 \sin \delta_{13}$$

- ▶ Necessary conditions for observation of CP violation:
  - ▶ Sensitivity to all mixing angles, including small  $\vartheta_{13}$
  - ▶ Sensitivity to oscillations due to  $\Delta m_{21}^2$  and  $\Delta m_{31}^2$
- ▶ exercise: Derive this expression of  $A_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{CP}}$

# Off-Axis Experiments

high-intensity WB beam  
detector shifted by a small angle from axis of beam  
almost monochromatic neutrino energy



$$E_{\text{cm}} = p_{\text{cm}} = \frac{m_\pi}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2} \right) \simeq 29.79 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\gamma = (1 - v^2)^{-1/2} = E_\pi/m_\pi \gg 1$$

$$\begin{cases} E = \gamma (E_{\text{cm}} + v p_{\text{cm}}^z) \\ p^z = \gamma (v E_{\text{cm}} + p_{\text{cm}}^z) \end{cases}$$

$$p^z = p \cos \theta$$

$$\implies$$

$$E = \frac{E_{\text{cm}}}{\gamma (1 - v \cos \theta)}$$

$$\cos \theta \simeq 1 - \theta^2/2 \quad \text{and} \quad v \simeq 1$$

$$E = \frac{E_{\text{cm}}}{\gamma(1 - v \cos \theta)} \simeq \frac{\gamma(1 + v)}{1 + \gamma^2 \theta^2 v (1 + v)/2} E_{\text{cm}} \simeq \frac{2\gamma}{1 + \gamma^2 \theta^2} E_{\text{cm}}$$

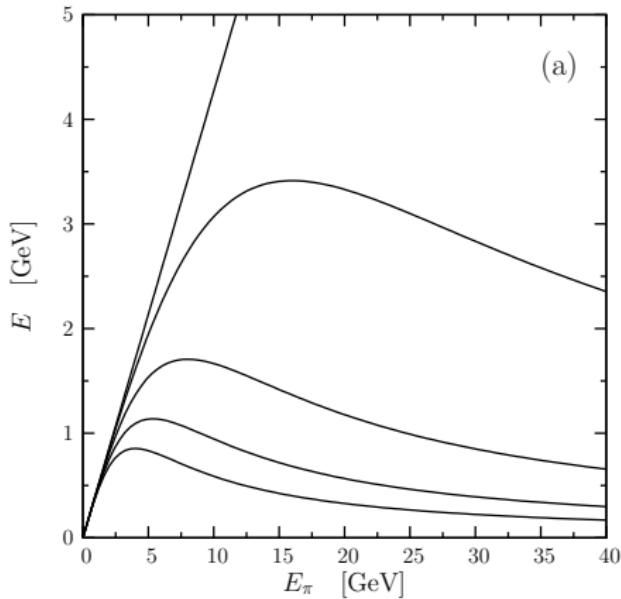
$$E \simeq \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \frac{E_\pi}{1 + \gamma^2 \theta^2} = \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \frac{E_\pi m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2 + E_\pi^2 \theta^2}$$

- $\theta = 0 \implies E \propto E_\pi$  WB beam
- $E_\pi \theta \gg m_\pi \implies E \propto \frac{m_\pi^2}{E_\pi \theta^2}$  high-energy  $\pi^+$  give low-energy  $\nu_\mu$

$$\frac{dE}{dE_\pi} \simeq \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \frac{1 - \gamma^2 \theta^2}{(1 + \gamma^2 \theta^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{dE}{dE_\pi} \simeq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \theta = \gamma^{-1} = \frac{m_\pi}{E_\pi} \implies E \simeq \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right) \frac{m_\pi}{2\theta} \simeq \frac{29.79 \text{ MeV}}{\theta}$$

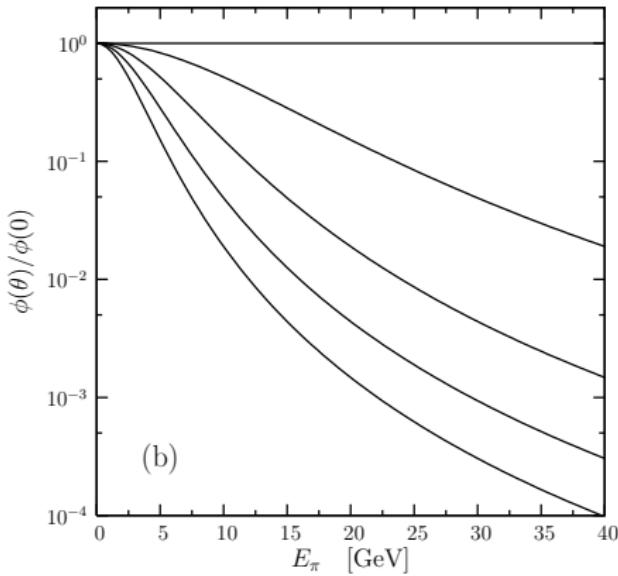
off-axis angle  $\theta \simeq m_\pi / \langle E_\pi \rangle$   $\implies E \simeq \frac{29.79 \text{ MeV}}{\theta}$



$$\theta = 0.0^\circ, 0.5^\circ, 1.0^\circ, 1.5^\circ, 2.0^\circ$$

- ▶  $E$  can be tuned on oscillation peak  $E_{\text{peak}} = \Delta m^2 L / 2\pi$
- ▶ small  $E \implies$  short  $L_{\text{osc}} = \frac{4\pi E}{\Delta m^2} \implies$  sensitivity to small values of  $\Delta m^2$

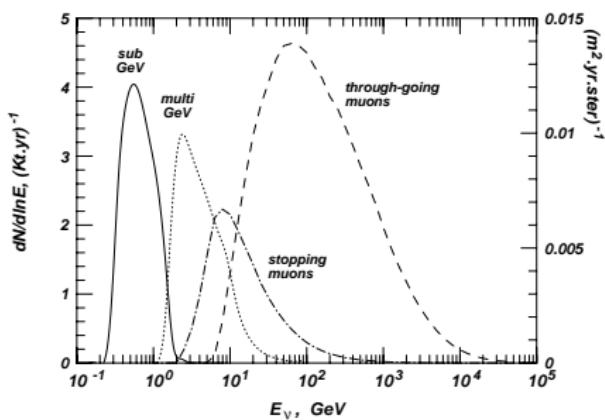
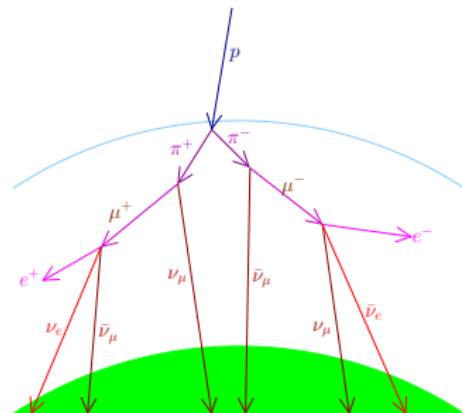
$$\frac{\phi(\theta)}{\phi(0)} = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{2}{1 + \gamma^2 \theta^2} \right)^2$$



$$\theta = 0.0^\circ, 0.5^\circ, 1.0^\circ, 1.5^\circ, 2.0^\circ$$

flux suppression requires superbeam

# 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

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

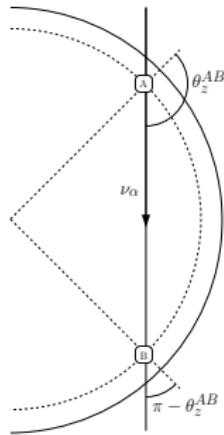
$$R_{\text{sub-GeV}}^K = 0.60 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.05$$

[Kamiokande, PLB 280 (1992) 146]

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

[Kamiokande, PLB 335 (1994) 237]

# Super-Kamiokande Up-Down Asymmetry



$E_\nu \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$  isotropic flux of cosmic rays

$$\phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(A)}(\theta_z^{AB}) = \phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(B)}(\pi - \theta_z^{AB}) \quad \phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(A)}(\theta_z^{AB}) = \phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(B)}(\theta_z^{AB})$$

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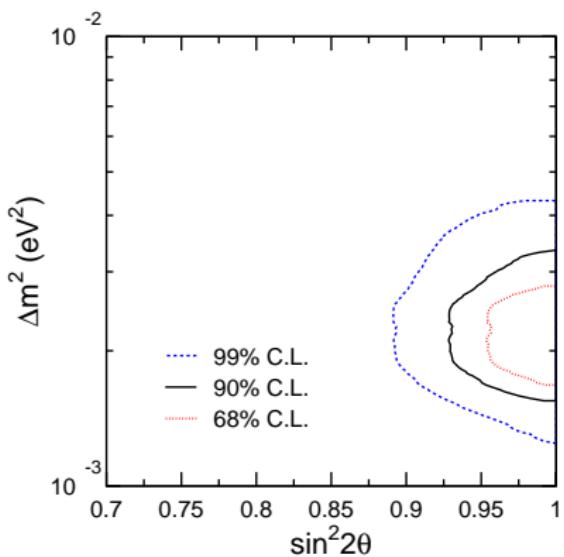
$$\phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(A)}(\theta_z) = \phi_{\nu_\alpha}^{(A)}(\pi - \theta_z)$$

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

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

**$6\sigma$  MODEL INDEPENDENT EVIDENCE OF  $\nu_\mu$  DISAPPEARANCE!**

# Fit of Super-Kamiokande Atmospheric Data



Best Fit:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau \\ \Delta m^2 = 2.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\theta = 1.0 \end{array} \right.$   
1489.2 live-days (Apr 1996 – Jul 2001)

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

Measure of  $\nu_\tau$  CC Int. is Difficult:

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

$\nu_\tau$ -Enriched Sample

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

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

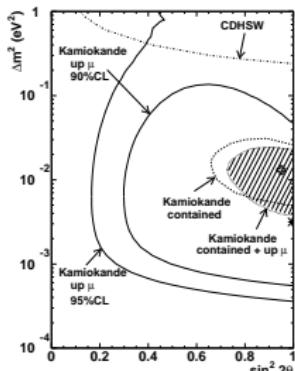
$$N_{\nu_\tau} > 0 \text{ @ } 2.4\sigma$$

[Super-Kamiokande, PRL 97(2006) 171801, hep-ex/0607059]

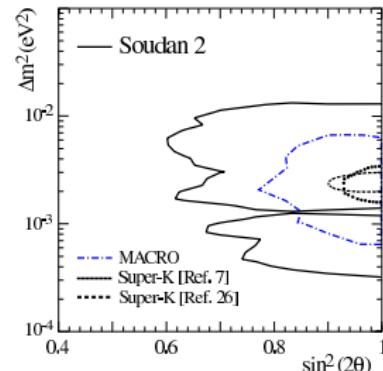
Check: OPERA ( $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$ )  
CERN to Gran Sasso (CNGS)  
 $L \simeq 732 \text{ km}$        $\langle E \rangle \simeq 18 \text{ GeV}$

[NJP 8 (2006) 303, hep-ex/0611023]

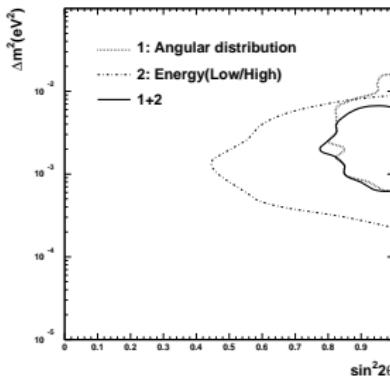
# Kamiokande, Soudan-2, MACRO and MINOS



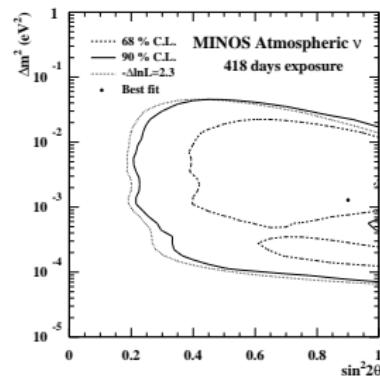
[Kamiokande, hep-ex/9806038]



[Soudan 2, hep-ex/0507068]



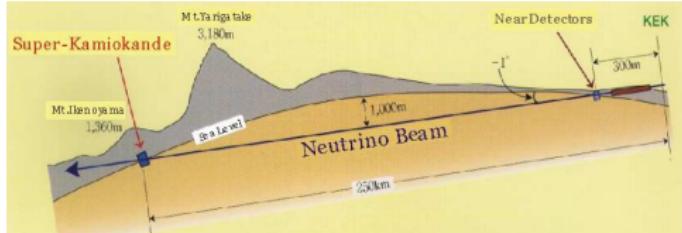
[MACRO, hep-ex/0304037]



[MINOS, hep-ex/0512036]

# K2K

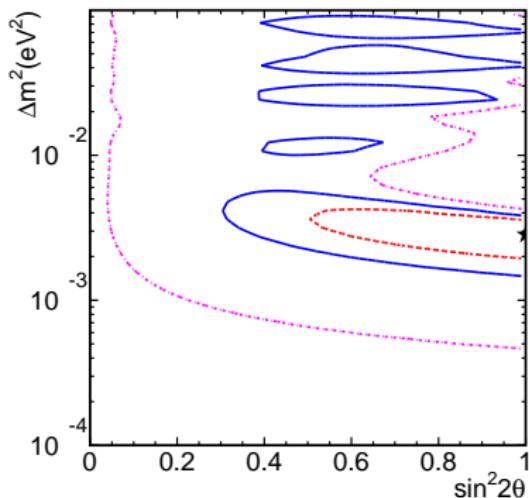
confirmation of atmospheric allowed region (June 2002)



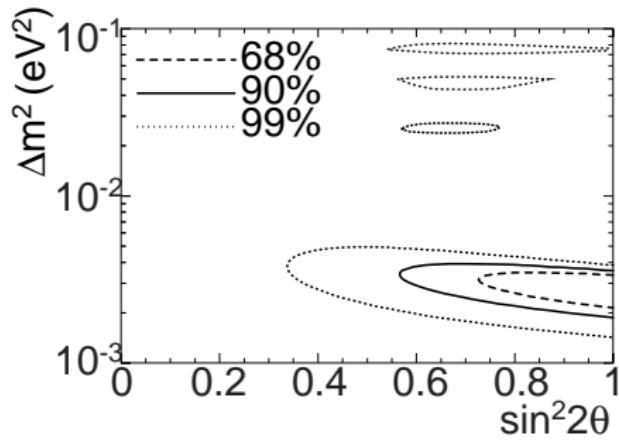
KEK to Kamioka  
(Super-Kamiokande)

250 km

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

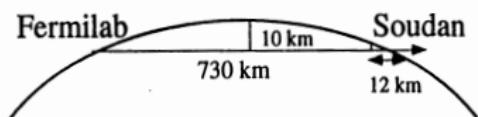


[K2K, Phys. Rev. Lett. 90 (2003) 041801]

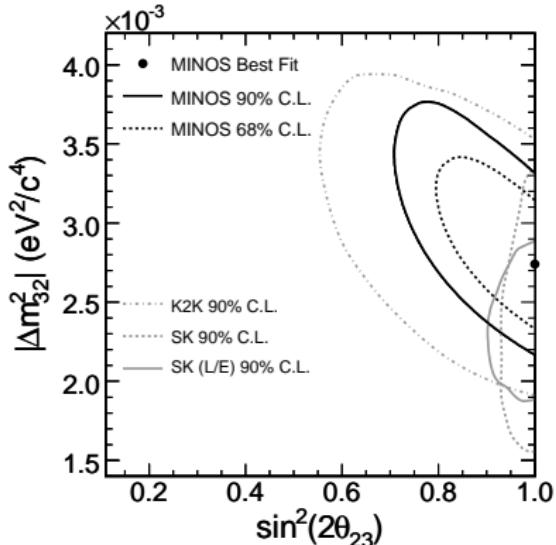


[K2K, PRL 94 (2005) 081802, hep-ex/0411038]

# MINOS



Near Detector: 1 km

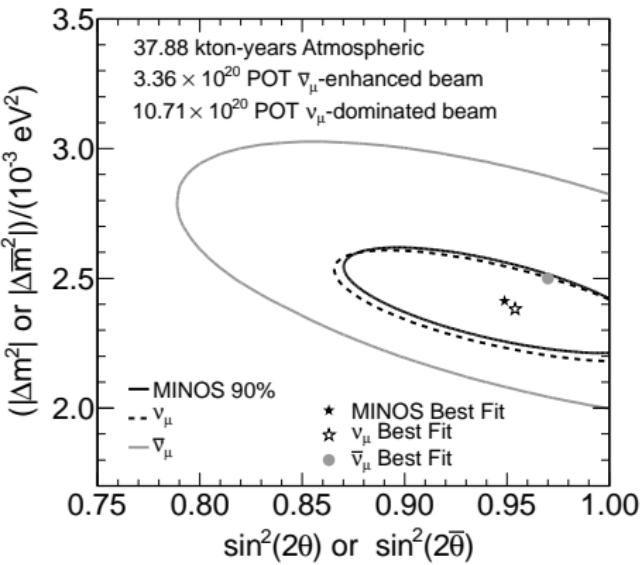
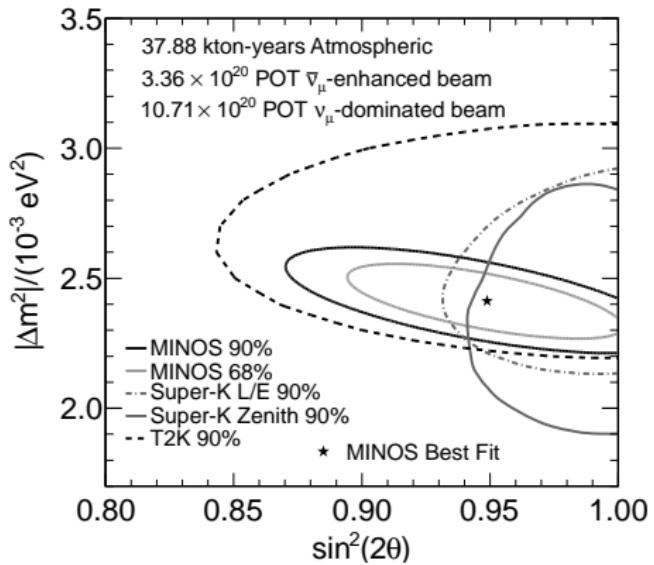


$$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$$

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

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

[MINOS, PRL 97 (2006) 191801, hep-ex/0607088]



$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| = 2.41^{+0.09}_{-0.10} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2|_{\bar{\nu}} = 2.50^{+0.23}_{-0.25} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} = 0.950^{+0.035}_{-0.036}$$

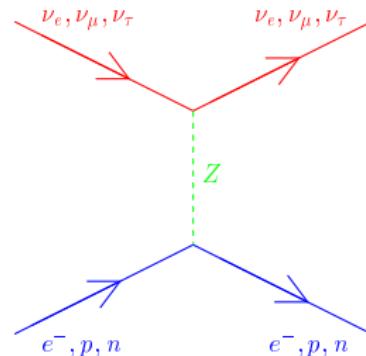
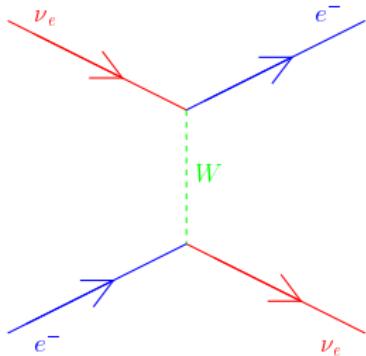
$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{23}^{\bar{\nu}} = 0.97^{+0.03}_{-0.08}$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2|_{\bar{\nu}} - |\Delta m_{31}^2|_{\nu} = 0.12^{+0.24}_{-0.26} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

[MINOS, arXiv:1304.6335]

# Neutrino Oscillations in Matter

# Effective Potentials in Matter



$$V_{CC} = \sqrt{2} G_F N_e$$

$$V_{NC}^{(e^-)} = -V_{NC}^{(p)} \Rightarrow$$

$$V_{NC} = V_{NC}^{(n)} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} G_F N_n$$

$$V_e = V_{CC} + V_{NC}$$

$$V_\mu = V_\tau = V_{NC}$$

only  $V_{CC} = V_e - V_\mu = V_e - V_\tau$  is important for flavor transitions

antineutrinos:  $\bar{V}_{CC} = -V_{CC}$      $\bar{V}_{NC} = -V_{NC}$

## Matter Effects

a flavor neutrino  $\nu_\alpha$  with momentum  $p$  is described by

$$|\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* |\nu_k(p)\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 |\nu_k(p)\rangle = E_k |\nu_k(p)\rangle \quad E_k = \sqrt{p^2 + m_k^2}$$

in matter       $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_I$        $\mathcal{H}_I |\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle = V_\alpha |\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle$

$V_\alpha$  = effective potential due to coherent interactions with the medium

forward elastic CC and NC scattering

# Evolution of Neutrino Flavors in Matter

Schrödinger picture:  $i \frac{d}{dt} |\nu(p, t)\rangle = \mathcal{H}|\nu(p, t)\rangle, \quad |\nu(p, 0)\rangle = |\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle$

flavor transition amplitudes:  $\varphi_\beta(p, t) = \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \nu(p, t) \rangle, \quad \varphi_\beta(p, 0) = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_\beta(p, t) = \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H} | \nu(p, t) \rangle = \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_0 | \nu(p, t) \rangle + \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_I | \nu(p, t) \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_0 | \nu(p, t) \rangle &= \sum_\rho \langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_0 | \nu_\rho(p) \rangle \underbrace{\langle \nu_\rho(p) | \nu(p, t) \rangle}_{\varphi_\rho(p, t)} \\ &= \sum_\rho \sum_{k,j} U_{\beta k} \underbrace{\langle \nu_k(p) | \mathcal{H}_0 | \nu_j(p) \rangle}_{\delta_{kj} E_k} U_{pj}^* \varphi_\rho(p, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_I | \nu(p, t) \rangle = \sum_\rho \underbrace{\langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_I | \nu_\rho(p) \rangle}_{\delta_{\beta\rho} V_\beta} \varphi_\rho(p, t) = V_\beta \varphi_\beta(p, t)$$

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \varphi_\beta = \sum_\rho \left( \sum_k U_{\beta k} E_k U_{pk}^* + \delta_{\beta\rho} V_\beta \right) \varphi_\rho$$

ultrarelativistic neutrinos:  $E_k = p + \frac{m_k^2}{2E}$      $E = p$      $t = x$

$$V_e = V_{CC} + V_{NC} \quad V_\mu = V_\tau = V_{NC}$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \varphi_\beta(p, x) = (p + V_{NC}) \varphi_\beta(p, x) + \sum_\rho \left( \sum_k U_{\beta k} \frac{m_k^2}{2E} U_{\rho k}^* + \delta_{\beta e} \delta_{\rho e} V_{CC} \right) \varphi_\rho(p, x)$$

$$\psi_\beta(p, x) = \varphi_\beta(p, x) e^{ipx + i \int_0^x V_{NC}(x') dx'}$$



$$i \frac{d}{dx} \psi_\beta = e^{ipx + i \int_0^x V_{NC}(x') dx'} \left( -p - V_{NC} + i \frac{d}{dx} \right) \varphi_\beta$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \psi_\beta = \sum_\rho \left( \sum_k U_{\beta k} \frac{m_k^2}{2E} U_{\rho k}^* + \delta_{\beta e} \delta_{\rho e} V_{CC} \right) \psi_\rho$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = |\varphi_\beta|^2 = |\psi_\beta|^2$$

## evolution of flavor transition amplitudes in matrix form

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \Psi_\alpha = \frac{1}{2E} \left( U \mathbb{M}^2 U^\dagger + \mathbb{A} \right) \Psi_\alpha$$

$$\Psi_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \\ \psi_\tau \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbb{M}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{CC} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_{CC} = 2EV_{CC} = 2\sqrt{2}EG_F N_e$$

effective  
mass-squared  
matrix  
in vacuum

$$\mathbb{M}_{VAC}^2 = U \mathbb{M}^2 U^\dagger \xrightarrow{\text{matter}} U \mathbb{M}^2 U^\dagger + 2E\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{M}_{MAT}^2$$

potential due to coherent  
forward elastic scattering

effective  
mass-squared  
matrix  
in matter

## Two-Neutrino Mixing

$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu(\tau)}$  transitions with  $U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta & \sin\vartheta \\ -\sin\vartheta & \cos\vartheta \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} U \mathbb{M}^2 U^\dagger &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2\vartheta m_1^2 + \sin^2\vartheta m_2^2 & \cos\vartheta \sin\vartheta (m_2^2 - m_1^2) \\ \cos\vartheta \sin\vartheta (m_2^2 - m_1^2) & \sin^2\vartheta m_1^2 + \cos^2\vartheta m_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \Sigma m^2 + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\text{irrelevant common phase} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma m^2 \equiv m_1^2 + m_2^2$$

$$\Delta m^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta + 2A_{CC} & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

initial  $\nu_e \implies \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e(0) \\ \psi_\mu(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}(x) &= |\psi_\mu(x)|^2 \\ P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}(x) &= |\psi_e(x)|^2 = 1 - P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}(x) \end{aligned}$$

## Constant Matter Density

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta + 2A_{CC} & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dA_{CC}}{dx} = 0$$

Diagonalization of Effective Hamiltonian

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & \sin \vartheta_M \\ -\sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \left[ \frac{A_{CC}}{4E} + \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m_M^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_M^2 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

↑  
irrelevant common phase

## Effective Mixing Angle in Matter

$$\tan 2\vartheta_M = \frac{\tan 2\vartheta}{A_{CC}} \\ 1 - \frac{A_{CC}}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta}$$

## Effective Squared-Mass Difference

$$\Delta m_M^2 = \sqrt{(\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta - A_{CC})^2 + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta)^2}$$

Resonance ( $\vartheta_M = \pi/4$ )

$$A_{CC}^R = \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \implies N_e^R = \frac{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta}{2\sqrt{2}EG_F}$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m_M^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_M^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M & \sin\vartheta_M \\ -\sin\vartheta_M & \cos\vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M & -\sin\vartheta_M \\ \sin\vartheta_M & \cos\vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e(0) \\ \psi_\mu(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1(0) \\ \psi_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M \\ \sin\vartheta_M \end{pmatrix}$$

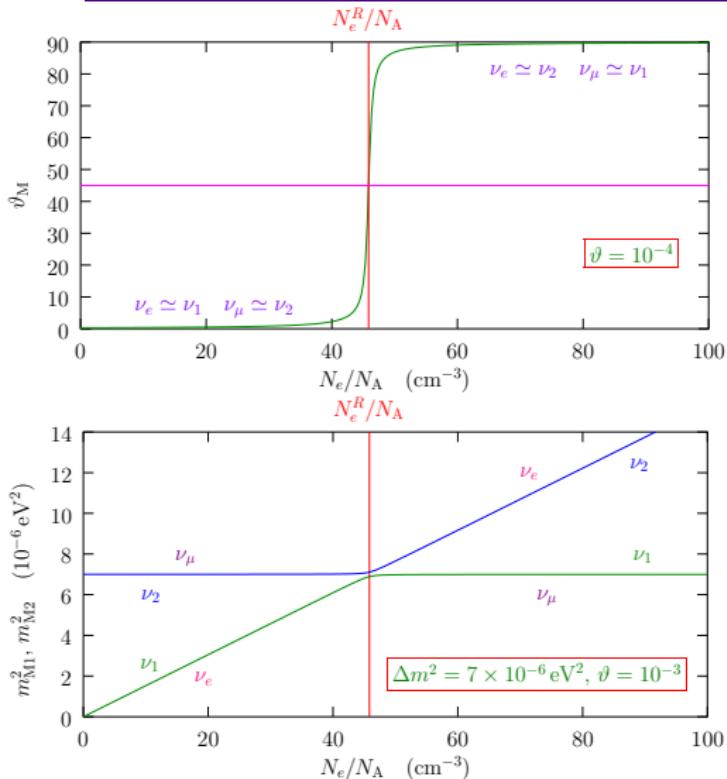
$$\psi_1(x) = \cos\vartheta_M \exp\left(i \frac{\Delta m_M^2 x}{4E}\right)$$

$$\psi_2(x) = \sin\vartheta_M \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_M^2 x}{4E}\right)$$

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}(x) = |\psi_\mu(x)|^2 = |-\sin\vartheta_M \psi_1(x) + \cos\vartheta_M \psi_2(x)|^2$$

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}(x) = \sin^2 2\vartheta_M \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_M^2 x}{4E}\right)$$

# MSW Effect (Resonant Transitions in Matter)



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

$$\tan 2\vartheta_M = \frac{\tan 2\vartheta}{1 - \frac{A_{CC}}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta m_M^2 &= \left[ (\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta - A_{CC})^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta)^2 \right]^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M & \sin\vartheta_M \\ -\sin\vartheta_M & \cos\vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \left[ \frac{A_{CC}}{4E} + \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m_M^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_M^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \frac{d\vartheta_M}{dx} \\ i \frac{d\vartheta_M}{dx} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

irrelevant common phase

↑  
maximum near resonance

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_1(0) \\ \psi_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M^0 & -\sin\vartheta_M^0 \\ \sin\vartheta_M^0 & \cos\vartheta_M^0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta_M^0 \\ \sin\vartheta_M^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_1(x) \simeq \left[ \cos\vartheta_M^0 \exp \left( i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{11}^R + \sin\vartheta_M^0 \exp \left( -i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{21}^R \right]$$

$$\times \exp \left( i \int_{x_R}^x \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right)$$

$$\psi_2(x) \simeq \left[ \cos\vartheta_M^0 \exp \left( i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{12}^R + \sin\vartheta_M^0 \exp \left( -i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{22}^R \right]$$

$$\times \exp \left( -i \int_{x_R}^x \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right)$$

# Averaged $\nu_e$ Survival Probability on Earth

$$\psi_e(x) = \cos\vartheta \psi_1(x) + \sin\vartheta \psi_2(x)$$

neglect interference (averaged over energy spectrum)

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}(x) &= |\langle \psi_e(x) \rangle|^2 = \cos^2\vartheta \cos^2\vartheta_M^0 |\mathcal{A}_{11}^R|^2 + \cos^2\vartheta \sin^2\vartheta_M^0 |\mathcal{A}_{21}^R|^2 \\ &\quad + \sin^2\vartheta \cos^2\vartheta_M^0 |\mathcal{A}_{12}^R|^2 + \sin^2\vartheta \sin^2\vartheta_M^0 |\mathcal{A}_{22}^R|^2\end{aligned}$$

conservation of probability (unitarity)

$$|\mathcal{A}_{12}^R|^2 = |\mathcal{A}_{21}^R|^2 = P_c \qquad \qquad |\mathcal{A}_{11}^R|^2 = |\mathcal{A}_{22}^R|^2 = 1 - P_c$$

$P_c \equiv$  crossing probability

$$\boxed{\overline{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - P_c\right) \cos 2\vartheta_M^0 \cos 2\vartheta}$$

[Parke, PRL 57 (1986) 1275]

# Crossing Probability

$$P_c = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma F\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2 \vartheta}\right)}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2 \vartheta}\right)}$$

[Kuo, Pantaleone, PRD 39 (1989) 1930]

adiabaticity parameter:

$$\gamma = \frac{\Delta m_M^2 / 2E}{2|d\vartheta_M/dx|} \Big|_R = \frac{\Delta m^2 \sin^2 2\vartheta}{2E \cos 2\vartheta \left| \frac{d \ln A_{CC}}{dx} \right|_R}$$

$$A \propto x$$

$$F = 1 \text{ (Landau-Zener approximation)} \quad [\text{Parke, PRL 57 (1986) 1275}]$$

$$A \propto 1/x$$

$$F = (1 - \tan^2 \vartheta)^2 / (1 + \tan^2 \vartheta) \quad [\text{Kuo, Pantaleone, PRD 39 (1989) 1930}]$$

$$A \propto \exp(-x)$$

$$F = 1 - \tan^2 \vartheta$$

[Pizzochero, PRD 36 (1987) 2293]

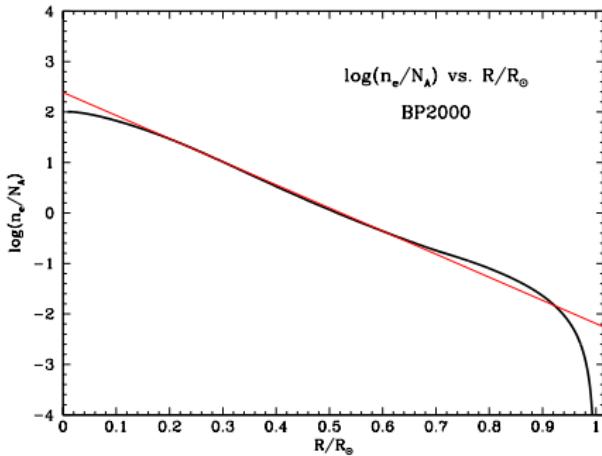
[Toshev, PLB 196 (1987) 170]

[Petcov, PLB 200 (1988) 373]

Review: [Kuo, Pantaleone, RMP 61 (1989) 937]

# Solar Neutrinos

SUN:  $N_e(x) \simeq N_e^c \exp\left(-\frac{x}{x_0}\right)$        $N_e^c = 245 N_A/\text{cm}^3$        $x_0 = \frac{R_\odot}{10.54}$



$$\overline{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} = \frac{1}{2} + \left( \frac{1}{2} - P_c \right) \cos 2\vartheta_M^0 \cos 2\vartheta$$

$$P_c = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma F\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2\vartheta}\right)}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2\vartheta}\right)}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\Delta m^2 \sin^2 2\vartheta}{2E \cos 2\vartheta \left| \frac{d \ln A_{CC}}{dx} \right|_R}$$

$$F = 1 - \tan^2 \vartheta$$

$$A_{CC} = 2\sqrt{2} E G_F N_e$$

practical prescription:

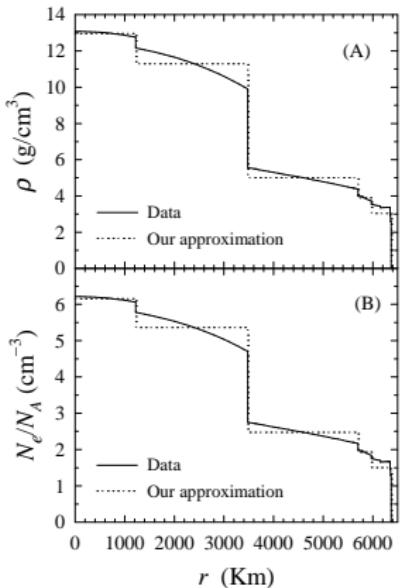
[Lisi et al., PRD 63 (2001) 093002]

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{numerical } |d \ln A_{CC}/dx|_R & \text{for } x \leq 0.904 R_\odot \\ |d \ln A_{CC}/dx|_R \rightarrow \frac{18.9}{R_\odot} & \text{for } x > 0.904 R_\odot \end{array} \right.$$

# Electron Neutrino Regeneration in the Earth

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun+earth}} = P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} + \frac{\left(1 - 2\bar{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}}\right) (P_{\nu_2 \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{earth}} - \sin^2 \vartheta)}{\cos 2\vartheta}$$

[Mikheev, Smirnov, Sov. Phys. Usp. 30 (1987) 759], [Baltz, Weneser, PRD 35 (1987) 528]



$P_{\nu_2 \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{earth}}$  is usually calculated numerically approximating the Earth density profile with a step function.

Effective massive neutrinos propagate as plane waves in regions of constant density.

Wave functions of flavor neutrinos are joined at the boundaries of steps.

# Solar Neutrino Oscillations

LMA (Large Mixing Angle):

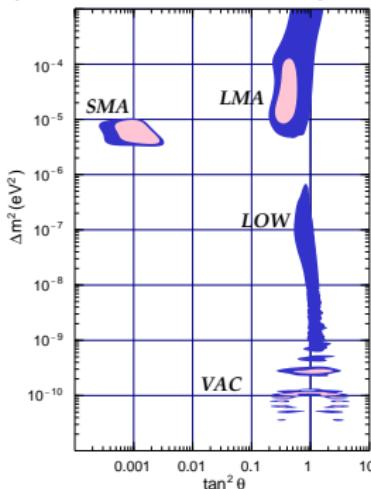
LOW (LOW  $\Delta m^2$ ):

SMA (Small Mixing Angle):

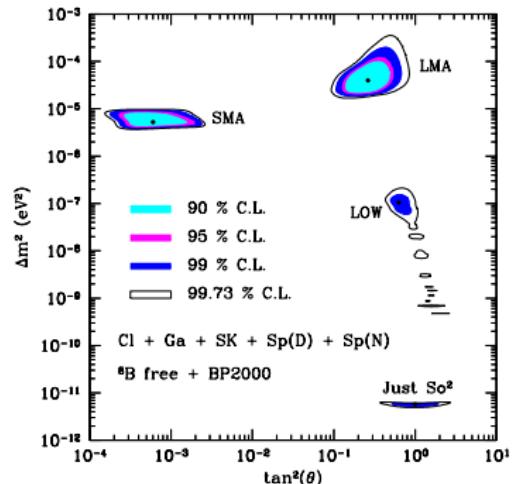
QVO (Quasi-Vacuum Oscillations):

VAC (VACuum oscillations):

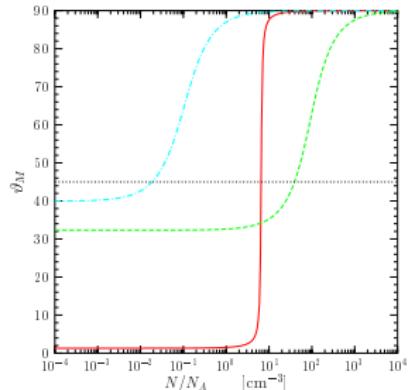
$$\begin{array}{ll} \Delta m^2 \sim 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, & \tan^2 \vartheta \sim 0.8 \\ \Delta m^2 \sim 7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ eV}^2, & \tan^2 \vartheta \sim 0.6 \\ \Delta m^2 \sim 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}^2, & \tan^2 \vartheta \sim 10^{-3} \\ \Delta m^2 \sim 10^{-9} \text{ eV}^2, & \tan^2 \vartheta \sim 1 \\ \Delta m^2 \lesssim 5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ eV}^2, & \tan^2 \vartheta \sim 1 \end{array}$$



[de Gouvea, Friedland, Murayama, PLB 490 (2000) 125]



[Bahcall, Krastev, Smirnov, JHEP 05 (2001) 015]



**solid line:**  
(typical SMA)

$$\Delta m^2 = 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \vartheta = 5 \times 10^{-4}$$

**dashed line:**  
(typical LMA)

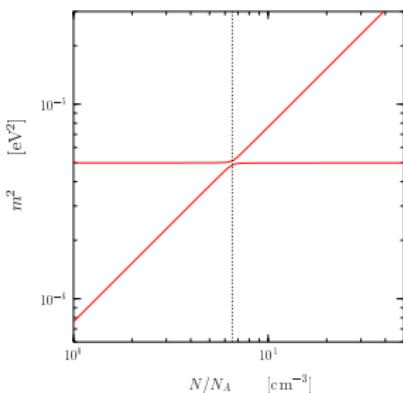
$$\Delta m^2 = 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \vartheta = 0.4$$

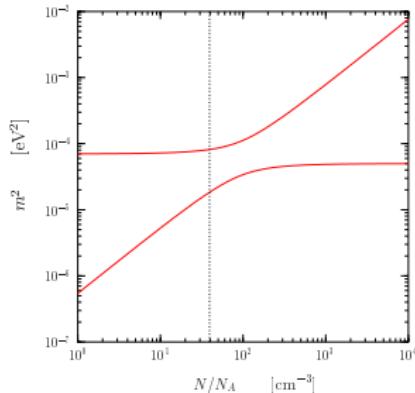
**dash-dotted line:**  
(typical LOW)

$$\Delta m^2 = 8 \times 10^{-8} \text{ eV}^2$$

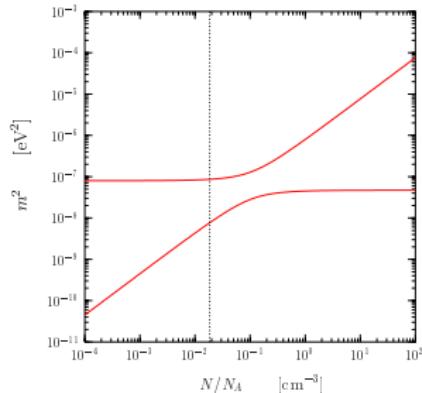
$$\tan^2 \vartheta = 0.7$$



typical SMA

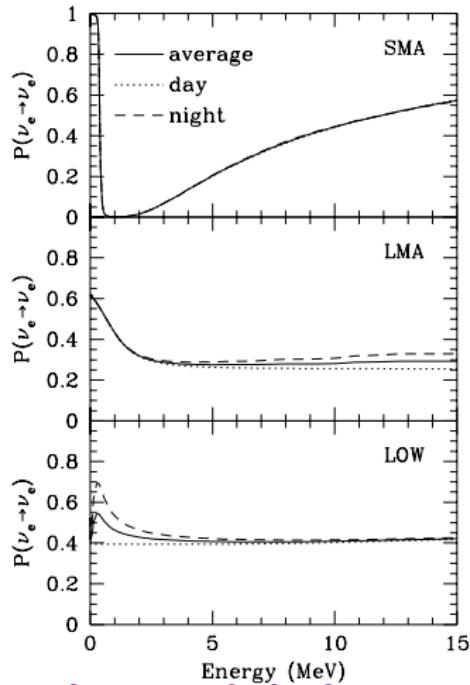


typical LMA



typical LOW

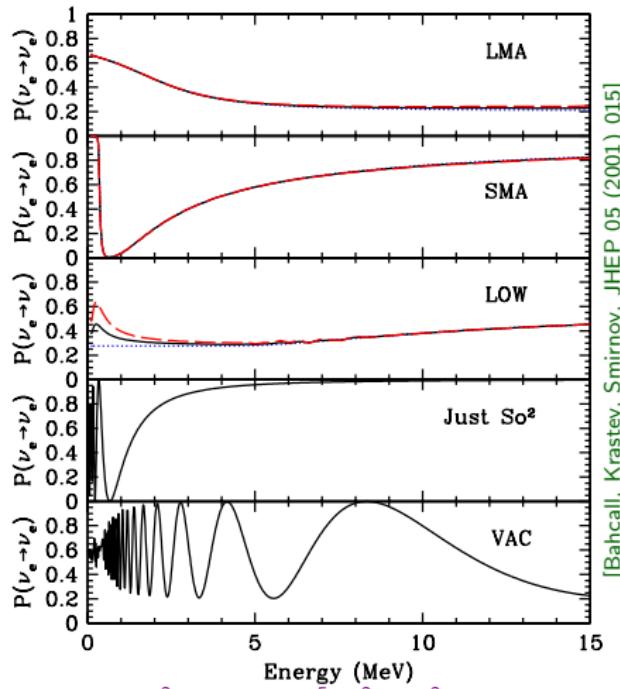
[Bahcall, Krastev, Smirnov, PRD 58 (1998) 096016]



$$\text{SMA: } \Delta m^2 = 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 2\vartheta = 3.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{LMA: } \Delta m^2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.57$$

$$\text{LOW: } \Delta m^2 = 7.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.95$$



$$\text{LMA: } \Delta m^2 = 4.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \tan^2 \vartheta = 0.26$$

$$\text{SMA: } \Delta m^2 = 5.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \tan^2 \vartheta = 5.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{LOW: } \Delta m^2 = 7.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \tan^2 \vartheta = 0.72$$

$$\text{Just So}^2: \Delta m^2 = 5.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \tan^2 \vartheta = 1.0$$

$$\text{VAC: } \Delta m^2 = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \tan^2 \vartheta = 0.38$$

[Bahcall, Krastev, Smirnov, JHEP 05 (2001) 015]

# SNO: Sudbury Neutrino Observatory

water Cherenkov detector, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada

1 kton of D<sub>2</sub>O, 9456 20-cm PMTs

2073 m underground, 6010 m.w.e.

$$\text{CC: } \nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$$

$$\text{NC: } \nu + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu$$

$$\text{ES: } \nu + e^- \rightarrow \nu + e^-$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{CC threshold: } E_{\text{th}}^{\text{SNO}}(\text{CC}) \simeq 8.2 \text{ MeV} \\ \text{NC threshold: } E_{\text{th}}^{\text{SNO}}(\text{NC}) \simeq 2.2 \text{ MeV} \\ \text{ES threshold: } E_{\text{th}}^{\text{SNO}}(\text{ES}) \simeq 7.0 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow {}^8\text{B, hep}$$

D<sub>2</sub>O phase: 1999 – 2001

$$\frac{R_{\text{CC}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{SSM}}^{\text{CC}}} = 0.35 \pm 0.02$$

$$\frac{R_{\text{NC}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{SSM}}^{\text{NC}}} = 1.01 \pm 0.13$$

$$\frac{R_{\text{ES}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{ES}}^{\text{SSM}}} = 0.47 \pm 0.05$$

[PRL 89 (2002) 011301]

NaCl phase: 2001 – 2002

$$\frac{R_{\text{CC}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{SSM}}^{\text{CC}}} = 0.31 \pm 0.02$$

$$\frac{R_{\text{NC}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{SSM}}^{\text{NC}}} = 1.03 \pm 0.09$$

$$\frac{R_{\text{ES}}^{\text{SNO}}}{R_{\text{ES}}^{\text{SSM}}} = 0.44 \pm 0.06$$

[nucl-ex/0309004]

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

$$\phi_{\nu_\mu, \nu_\tau}^{\text{SNO}} = 5.41 \pm 0.66 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

SNO solved  
solar neutrino problem



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

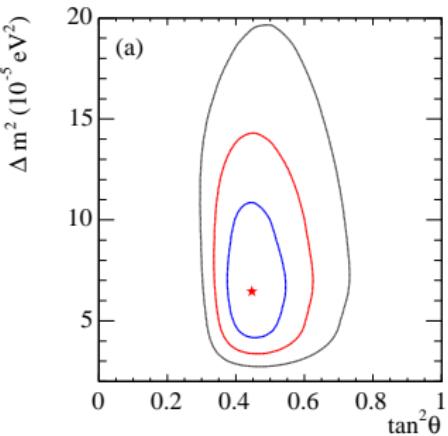
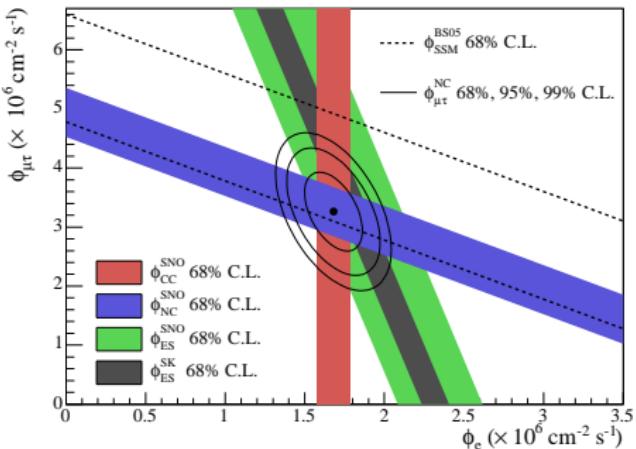
$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$  oscillations



Large Mixing Angle solution

$$\Delta m^2 \simeq 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \vartheta \simeq 0.45$$



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

# KamLAND

Kamioka Liquid scintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector

long-baseline reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  experiment

Kamioka mine (200 km west of Tokyo), 1000 m underground, 2700 m.w.e.

53 nuclear power reactors in Japan and Korea

6.7% of flux from one reactor at 88 km

average distance from reactors: 180 km    79% of flux from 26 reactors at 138–214 km  
14.3% of flux from other reactors at >295 km

1 kt liquid scintillator detector:  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ , energy threshold:  $E_{\text{th}}^{\bar{\nu}_e p} = 1.8 \text{ MeV}$

data taking: 4 March – 6 October 2002, 145.1 days (162 ton yr)

expected number of reactor neutrino events (no osc.):

$$N_{\text{expected}}^{\text{KamLAND}} = 86.8 \pm 5.6$$

expected number of background events:

$$N_{\text{background}}^{\text{KamLAND}} = 0.95 \pm 0.99$$

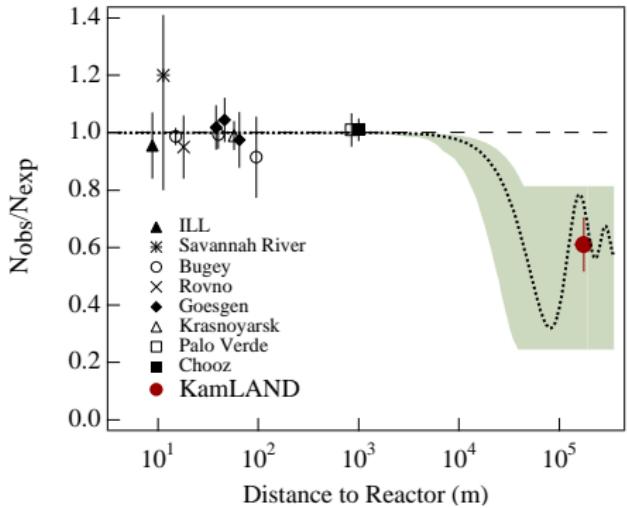
observed number of neutrino events:

$$N_{\text{observed}}^{\text{KamLAND}} = 54$$

$$\frac{N_{\text{observed}}^{\text{KamLAND}} - N_{\text{background}}^{\text{KamLAND}}}{N_{\text{expected}}^{\text{KamLAND}}} = 0.611 \pm 0.085 \pm 0.041$$

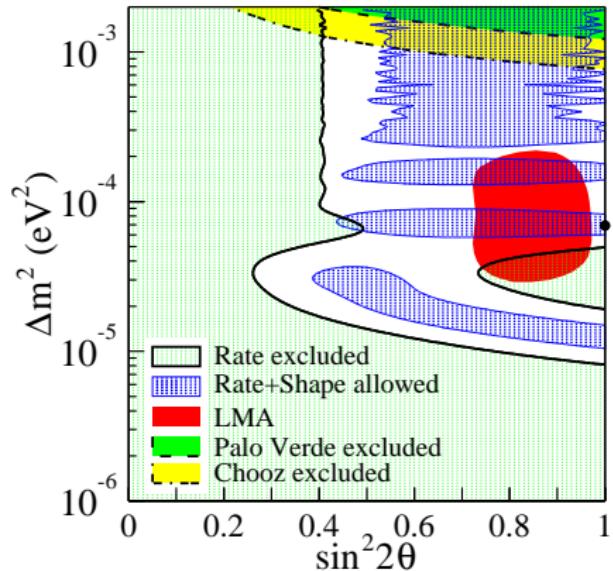
99.95% C.L. evidence  
of  $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance

## confirmation of LMA (December 2002)



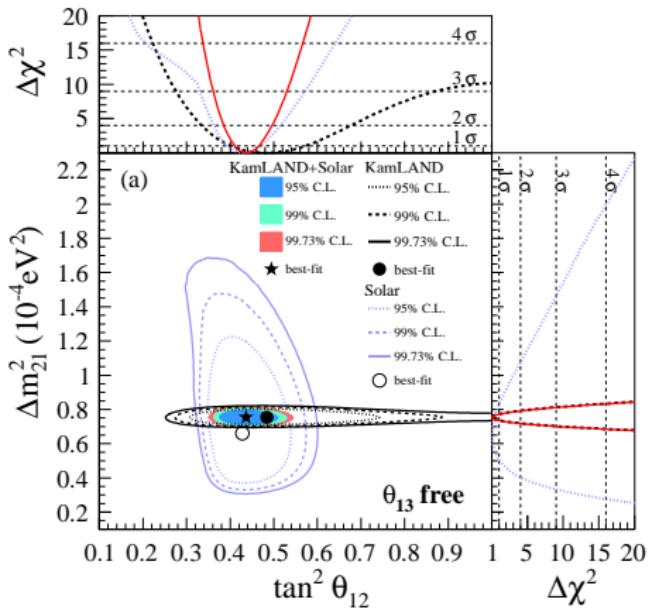
Shade: 95% C.L. LMA

Curve:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m^2 = 5.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 2\vartheta = 0.83 \end{array} \right.$



95% C.L.

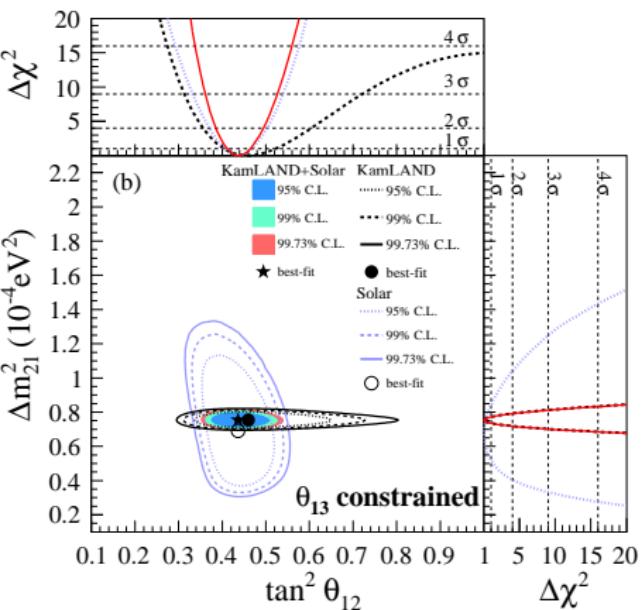
[KamLAND, PRL 90 (2003) 021802, hep-ex/0212021]



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[KamLAND, arXiv:1303.4667]

# LMA Solar Neutrino Oscillations

best fit of reactor + solar neutrino data:  $\Delta m^2 \simeq 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$   $\tan^2 \vartheta \simeq 0.4$

$$\overline{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} = \frac{1}{2} + \left( \frac{1}{2} - P_c \right) \cos 2\vartheta_M^0 \cos 2\vartheta$$

$$P_c = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma F\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2 \vartheta}\right)}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\gamma \frac{F}{\sin^2 \vartheta}\right)} \quad \gamma = \frac{\Delta m^2 \sin^2 2\vartheta}{2E \cos 2\vartheta \left| \frac{d \ln A}{dx} \right|_R} \quad F = 1 - \tan^2 \vartheta$$

$$A_{CC} \simeq 2\sqrt{2}EG_F N_e^c \exp\left(-\frac{x}{x_0}\right) \implies \left| \frac{d \ln A}{dx} \right| \simeq \frac{1}{x_0} = \frac{10.54}{R_\odot} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV}$$

$$\tan^2 \vartheta \simeq 0.4 \implies \sin^2 2\vartheta \simeq 0.82, \cos 2\vartheta \simeq 0.43 \quad \gamma \simeq 2 \times 10^4 \left( \frac{E}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\gamma \gg 1 \implies P_c \ll 1 \implies \overline{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun,LMA}} \simeq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\vartheta_M^0 \cos 2\vartheta$$

$$\cos 2\vartheta_M^0 = \frac{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta - A_{CC}^0}{\sqrt{(\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta - A_{CC}^0)^2 + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta)^2}}$$

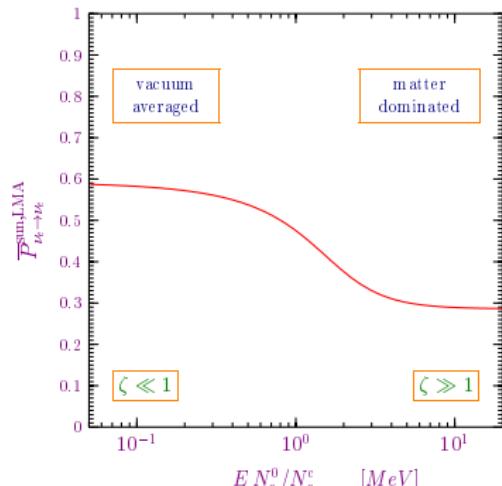
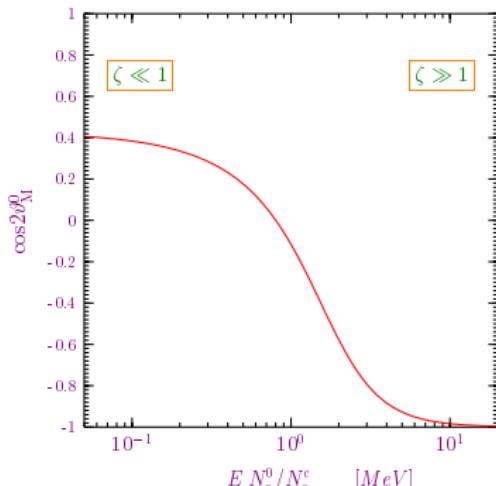
critical parameter [Bahcall, Peña-Garay, hep-ph/0305159]

$$\zeta = \frac{A_{CC}^0}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}EG_F N_e^0}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta} \simeq 1.2 \left( \frac{E}{\text{MeV}} \right) \left( \frac{N_e^0}{N_e^c} \right)$$

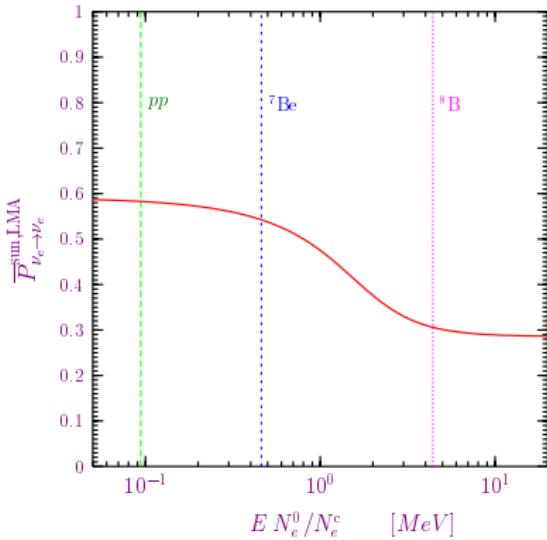
$$\zeta \ll 1 \implies \vartheta_M^0 \simeq \vartheta \implies \bar{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta$$

vacuum averaged survival probability  
matter dominated survival probability

$$\zeta \gg 1 \implies \vartheta_M^0 \simeq \pi/2 \implies \bar{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} \simeq \sin^2 \vartheta$$



$$\begin{aligned} \langle E \rangle_{pp} &\simeq 0.27 \text{ MeV}, \langle r_0 \rangle_{pp} \simeq 0.1 R_\odot & \Rightarrow \langle E N_e^0 / N_e^c \rangle_{pp} &\simeq 0.094 \text{ MeV} \\ E_{^7\text{Be}} &\simeq 0.86 \text{ MeV}, \langle r_0 \rangle_{^7\text{Be}} \simeq 0.06 R_\odot & \Rightarrow \langle E N_e^0 / N_e^c \rangle_{^7\text{Be}} &\simeq 0.46 \text{ MeV} \\ \langle E \rangle_{^8\text{B}} &\simeq 6.7 \text{ MeV}, \langle r_0 \rangle_{^8\text{B}} \simeq 0.04 R_\odot & \Rightarrow \langle E N_e^0 / N_e^c \rangle_{^8\text{B}} &\simeq 4.4 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$



each neutrino experiment is mainly sensitive to one flux  
 each neutrino experiment is mainly sensitive to  $\vartheta$   
 accurate *pp* experiment can improve determination of  $\vartheta$

[Bahcall, Peña-Garay, hep-ph/0305159]

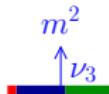
# Mass Hierarchy

## 1. Matter Effect (Atmospheric, Long-Baseline, Supernova Experiments):

- $\nu_e \rightleftarrows \nu_\mu$  MSW resonance:  $V = \frac{\Delta m_{13}^2 \cos 2\vartheta_{13}}{2E} \Leftrightarrow \Delta m_{13}^2 > 0$  NH
- $\bar{\nu}_e \rightleftarrows \bar{\nu}_\mu$  MSW resonance:  $V = -\frac{\Delta m_{13}^2 \cos 2\vartheta_{13}}{2E} \Leftrightarrow \Delta m_{13}^2 < 0$  IH

## 2. Phase Difference (Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ ):

Normal Hierarchy



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

$$\parallel$$
  
$$|\Delta m_{32}^2| + |\Delta m_{21}^2|$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| > |\Delta m_{32}^2|$$



Inverted Hierarchy

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

$$\parallel$$
  
$$|\Delta m_{32}^2| - |\Delta m_{21}^2|$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| < |\Delta m_{32}^2|$$

# In Neutrino Oscillations Dirac = Majorana

[Bilenky, Hosek, Petcov, PLB 94 (1980) 495; Doi, Kotani, Nishiura, Okuda, Takasugi, PLB 102 (1981) 323]

[Langacker, Petcov, Steigman, Toshev, NPB 282 (1987) 589]

Evolution of Amplitudes:  $i \frac{d\psi_\alpha}{dx} = \frac{1}{2E} \sum_{\beta} \left( UM^2 U^\dagger + 2EV \right)_{\alpha\beta} \psi_\beta$

difference:  $\begin{cases} \text{Dirac:} & U^{(D)} \\ \text{Majorana:} & U^{(M)} = U^{(D)} D(\lambda) \end{cases}$

$$D(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_{21}} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e^{i\lambda_{N1}} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow D^\dagger = D^{-1}$$

$$M^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & m_N^2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow DM^2 = M^2 D \Rightarrow DM^2 D^\dagger = M^2$$

$$U^{(M)} M^2 (U^{(M)})^\dagger = U^{(D)} D M^2 D^\dagger (U^{(D)})^\dagger = U^{(D)} M^2 (U^{(D)})^\dagger$$