

# Neutrino Masses

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## 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

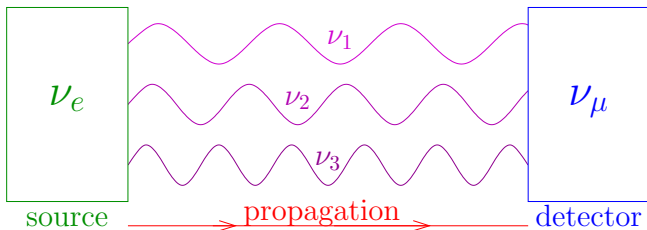
$$|\nu_e\rangle = U_{e1} |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2} |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3} |\nu_3\rangle$$

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

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

- ▶  $U$  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  $\propto \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{4E} \right)$

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

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

# Experimental Evidences of Neutrino Oscillations

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

VLBL Reactor  
 $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance

(SNO, BOREXino  
 Super-Kamiokande  
 GALLEX/GNO, SAGE  
 Homestake, Kamiokande  
 (KamLAND))

$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_S^2 \simeq 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_S \simeq 0.30 \end{array} \right.$

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

LBL Accelerator  
 $\nu_\mu$  disappearance

LBL Accelerator  
 $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$

(Super-Kamiokande  
 Kamiokande, IMB  
 MACRO, Soudan-2  
 (K2K, MINOS, T2K)  
 (Opera))

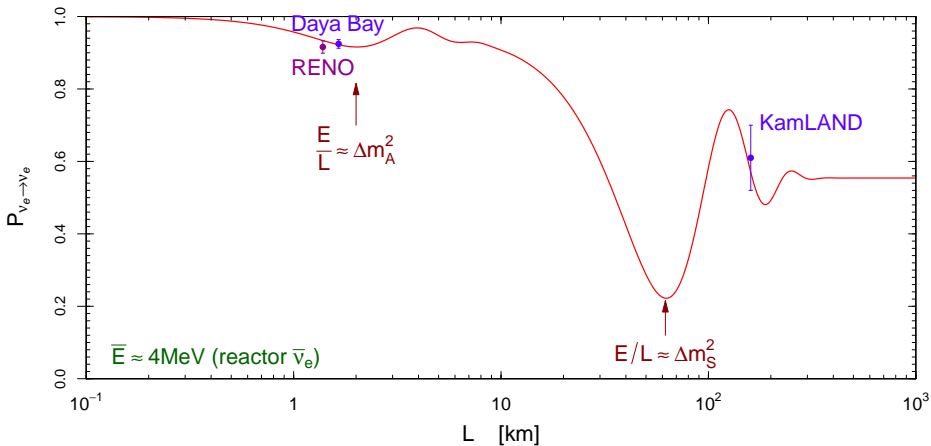
$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_A^2 \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_A \simeq 0.50 \end{array} \right.$

LBL Accelerator  
 $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$

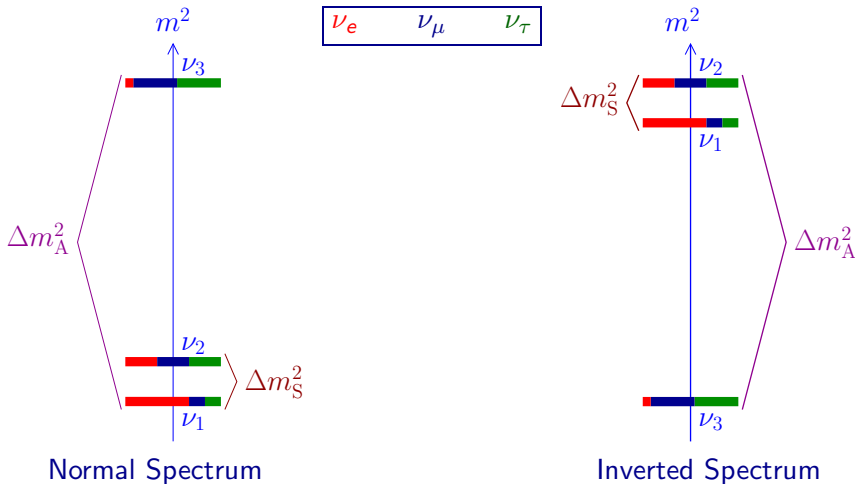
LBL Reactor  
 $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance

(T2K, MINOS)  
 (Daya Bay, RENO  
 Double Chooz)

$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta m_A^2 \\ \sin^2 \vartheta_{13} \simeq 0.023 \end{array} \right.$



# Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm



## Recent Global Fits

Gonzalez Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz, Salvado, NuFIT-v1.2 [<http://www.nu-fit.org/>]

Capozzi, Fogli, Lisi, Marrone, Montanino, Palazzo, arXiv:1312.2878

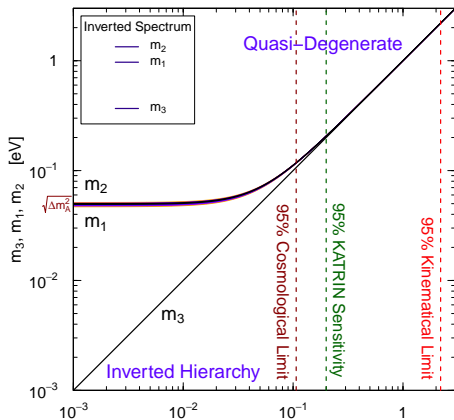
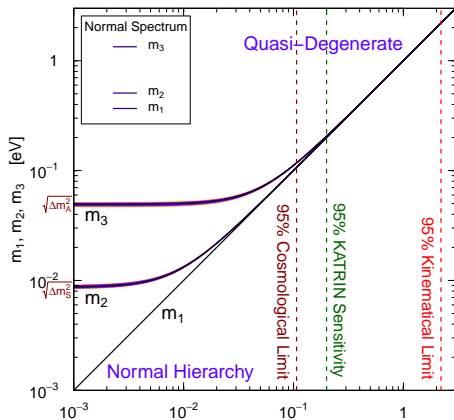


# Open Problems

- ▶  $\vartheta_{23} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 45^\circ$  ?
  - ▶ T2K (Japan), NO $\nu$ A (USA), IceCube-PINGU, INO (India), ...
- ▶ Mass Hierarchy ?
  - ▶ NO $\nu$ A (USA), JUNO (China), RENO-50 (Korea), IceCube-PINGU, INO (India), ...
- ▶ CP violation ?
  - ▶ NO $\nu$ A (USA), LBNE (USA), LAGUNA-LBNO (EU), HyperK (Japan), ...
- ▶ 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



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

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

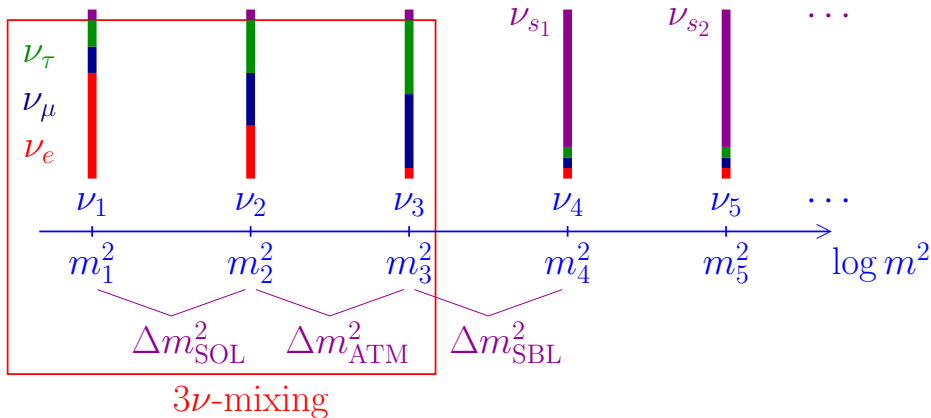
$$m_1^2 = m_3^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2 = m_3^2 + \Delta m_A^2$$

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

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]

# Beyond Three-Neutrino Mixing: Sterile Neutrinos



# Light Sterile Neutrinos

- ▶ Physics Beyond the SM  $\implies$  right-handed sterile neutrinos
- ▶ Sterile means **no standard model interactions**  
[Pontecorvo, Sov. Phys. JETP 26 (1968) 984]
- ▶ 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:

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

- ▶ In this talk I consider sterile neutrinos with mass scale  $\sim 1 \text{ eV}$  in light of short-baseline Reactor Anomaly, Gallium Anomaly, LSND.
- ▶ 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, IJMPE, 22 (2013) 1330019]

# Experimental Indications of Sterile Neutrinos

- ▶ LSND: Accelerator  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$

$$L \simeq 30 \text{ m} \quad E \simeq 50 \text{ MeV}$$

$$3.8\sigma \text{ excess} \quad \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 0.2 \text{ eV}^2 \quad (\gg \Delta m_A^2 \gg \Delta m_S^2) \quad [\text{PRD 64 (2001) 112007}]$$

- ▶ Reactor Electron Antineutrino Anomaly:  $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$

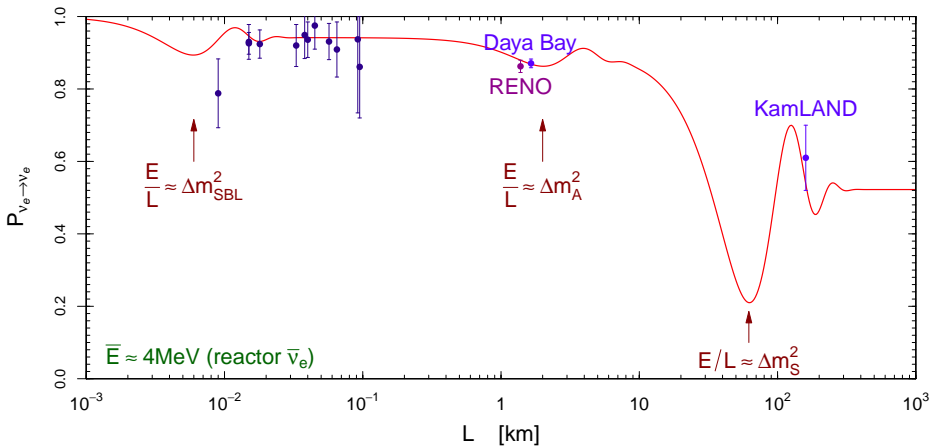
$$L \simeq 10 - 100 \text{ m} \quad E \simeq 4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$2.8\sigma \text{ deficit} \quad \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 0.5 \text{ eV}^2 \quad [\text{Mention et al, PRD 83 (2011) 073006}]$$

- ▶ Gallium Anomaly:  $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$

$$L \simeq 1 \text{ m} \quad E \simeq 1 \text{ MeV}$$

$$2.9\sigma \text{ deficit} \quad \Delta m^2 \gtrsim 1 \text{ eV}^2 \quad [\text{SAGE, PRC 73 (2006) 045805}]$$



## Effective SBL Oscillation Probabilities in 3+1 Schemes

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

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

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

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

Perturbation of  $3\nu$  Mixing:  $|U_{e4}|^2 \ll 1$ ,  $|U_{\mu 4}|^2 \ll 1$ ,  $|U_{\tau 4}|^2 \ll 1$ ,  $|U_{s4}|^2 \simeq 1$

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

- ▶ 6 mixing angles
- ▶ 3 Dirac CP phases
- ▶ 3 Majorana CP phases

↑  
SBL

but CP violation is not observable  
in SBL experiments!

# 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  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu}$

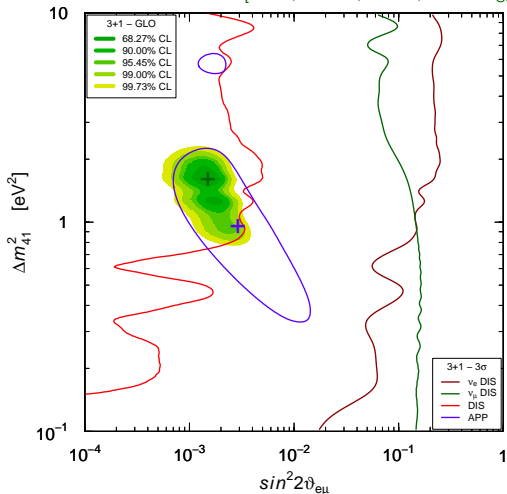
[Okada, Yasuda, IJMPA 12 (1997) 3669-3694]

[Bilenky, Giunti, Grimus, EPJC 1 (1998) 247]



# 3+1 Global Fit

[Giunti, Laveder, Y.F. Li, H.W. Long, PRD 88 (2013) 073008]



GoF = 29%

PGoF = 9%

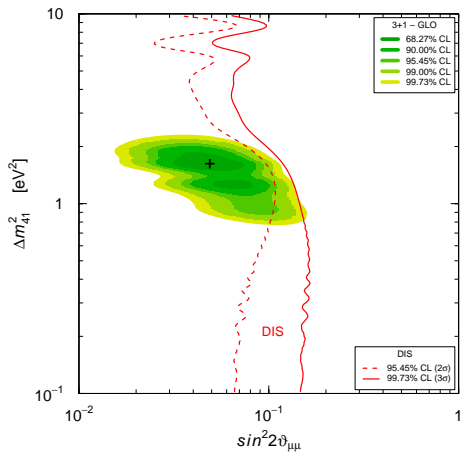
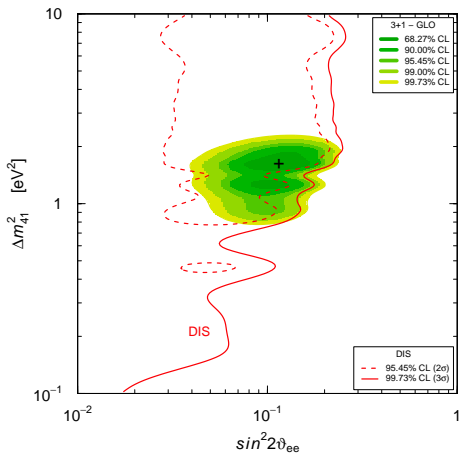
- ▶ APP  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  &  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ : LSND (Y), MiniBooNE (?), OPERA (N), ICARUS (N), KARMEN (N), NOMAD (N), BNL-E776 (N)
- ▶ DIS  $\nu_e$  &  $\bar{\nu}_e$ : Reactors (Y), Gallium (Y),  $\nu_e C$  (N), Solar (N)
- ▶ DIS  $\nu_\mu$  &  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ : CDHSW (N), MINOS (N), Atmospheric (N), MiniBooNE/SciBooNE (N)

No Osc. excluded at  $6.2\sigma$

$$\Delta\chi^2/\text{NDF} = 46.2/3$$

[see also Kopp, Machado, Maltoni, Schwetz, JHEP 1305 (2013) 050]

# $\nu_e$ and $\nu_\mu$ Disappearance



# Many Exciting New Experiments and Projects

- ▶ Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  Disappearance:
  - ▶ Nucifer (OSIRIS, Saclay), Stereo (ILL, Grenoble) [arXiv:1204.5379]
  - ▶ DANSS (Kalinin Nuclear Power Plant, Russia) [arXiv:1304.3696], POSEIDON (PIK, Gatchina, Russia) [arXiv:1204.2449]
  - ▶ SCRAAM (San Onofre, California) [arXiv:1204.5379]
  - ▶ CARR (China Advanced Research Reactor) [arXiv:1303.0607]
  - ▶ Neutrino-4 (SM-3, Dimitrovgrad, Russia), SOLID (BR2, Belgium), Hanaro (Korea) [D. Lhuillier, EPSHEP 2013]
- ▶ Radioactive Source  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  Disappearance:
  - ▶ SOX (Borexino, Gran Sasso, Italy) [arXiv:1304.7721]
  - ▶ CeLAND ( $^{144}\text{Ce}$ @KamLAND, Japan) [arXiv:1107.2335]
  - ▶ SAGE (Baksan, Russia) [arXiv:1006.2103]
  - ▶ IsoDAR (DAE $\delta$ ALUS, USA) [arXiv:1210.4454, arXiv:1307.2949]
  - ▶ SNO+, Daya Bay, RENO [T. Lasserre, Neutrino 2012]
- ▶ Accelerator  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  Appearance:
  - ▶ ICARUS/NESSIE (CERN) [arXiv:1304.2047, arXiv:1306.3455]
  - ▶ nuSTORM [arXiv:1308.0494]
  - ▶ OscSNS (Oak Ridge, USA) [arXiv:1305.4189, arXiv:1307.7097]

## Effects of light sterile neutrinos can be also seen in:

### ▶ Solar neutrinos

[Dooling et al, PRD 61 (2000) 073011, Gonzalez-Garcia et al, PRD 62 (2000) 013005; Palazzo, PRD 83 (2011) 113013, PRD 85 (2012) 077301; Li et al, PRD 80 (2009) 113007, PRD 87, 113004 (2013), JHEP 1308 (2013) 056; Kopp, Machado, Maltoni, Schwetz, JHEP 1305 (2013) 050]

### ▶ Atmospheric neutrinos

[Goswami, PRD 55 (1997) 2931; Bilenky, Giunti, Grimus, Schwetz, PRD 60 (1999) 073007; Maltoni, Schwetz, Tortola, Valle, NPB 643 (2002) 321, PRD 67 (2003) 013011; Choubey, JHEP 12 (2007) 014; Razzaque, Smirnov, JHEP 07 (2011) 084, PRD 85 (2012) 093010; Gandhi, Ghoshal, PRD 86 (2012) 037301; Esmaili, Halzen, Peres, JCAP 1211 (2012) 041; Esmaili, Smirnov, arXiv:1307.6824]

### ▶ Supernova neutrinos

[Caldwell, Fuller, Qian, PRD 61 (2000) 123005; Peres, Smirnov, NPB 599 (2001); Sorel, Conrad, PRD 66 (2002) 033009; Tamborra, Raffelt, Huedepohl, Janka, JCAP 1201 (2012) 013; Wu, Fischer, Martinez-Pinedo, Qian, arXiv:1305.2382]

# Conclusions

- ▶ Robust Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm.  
Open problems:  $\vartheta_{23} \lesseqgtr 45^\circ?$ , Mass Hierarchy, CP Violation, Absolute Mass Scale, Dirac or Majorana?
- ▶ Very interesting indications of light sterile neutrinos:
  - ▶ LSND  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  signal.
  - ▶ Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance.
  - ▶ Gallium  $\nu_e$  disappearance.
- ▶ Many promising projects to test in a few years short-baseline  $\nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance with reactors and radioactive sources.
- ▶ More difficult (expensive) projects to check the LSND  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  signal are under discussion.
- ▶ Cosmology:
  - ▶ Important effects of sterile neutrinos.
  - ▶ Implications depend on theoretical framework and considered data set.
  - ▶ Cosmological indications must be checked by laboratory experiments.