

# Neutrino phenomenology: from Underground to the Skies

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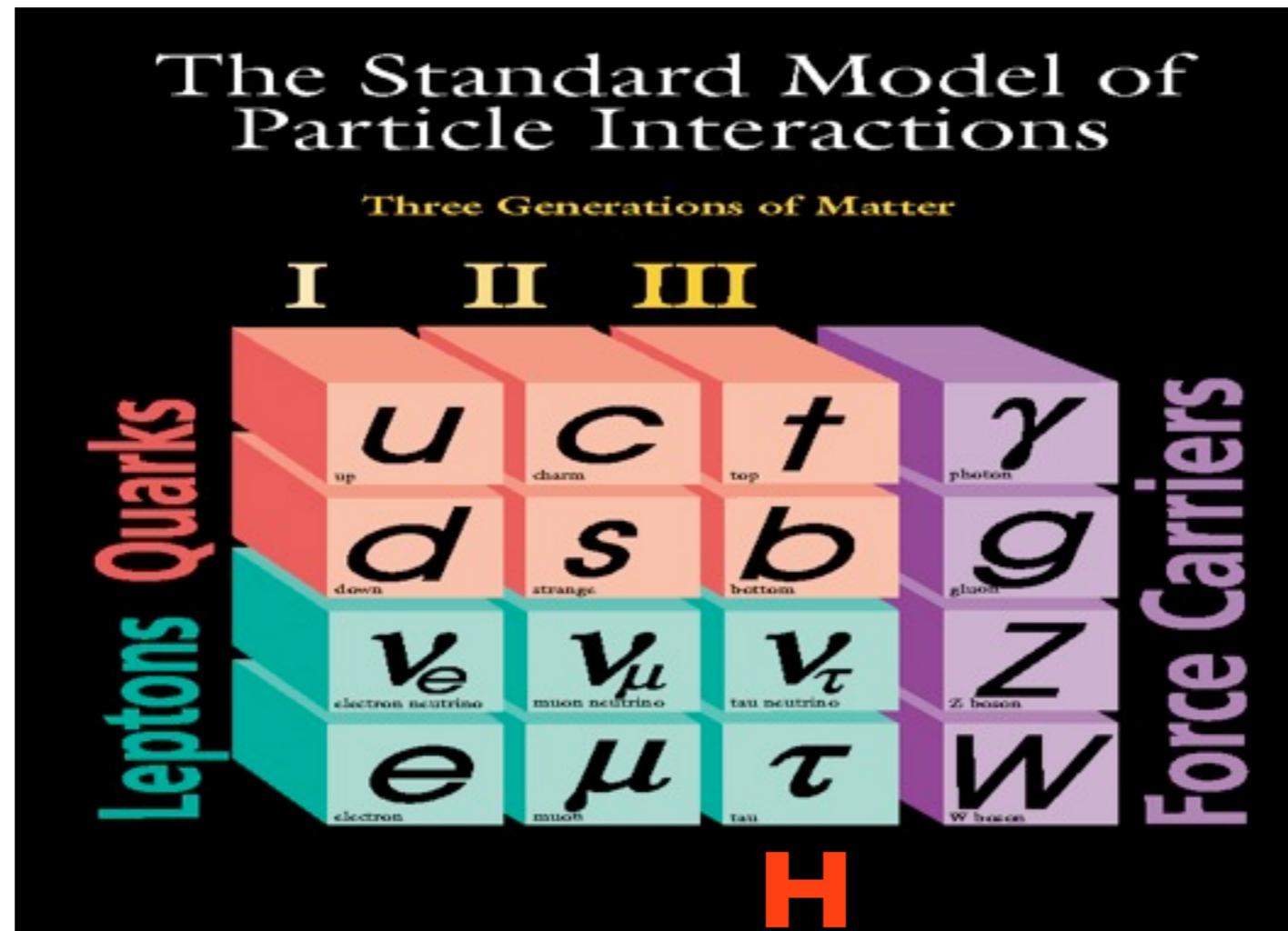
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# Neutrinos in the Standard model of particle physics



The Standard Model describes the particles which exist in Nature (fermions and bosons) and explains their interactions.

Neutrinos are the most elusive of the SM particles.

# Neutrino interactions

Neutrinos come in 3 flavours, corresponding to the charged lepton in the same SU(2) doublets:

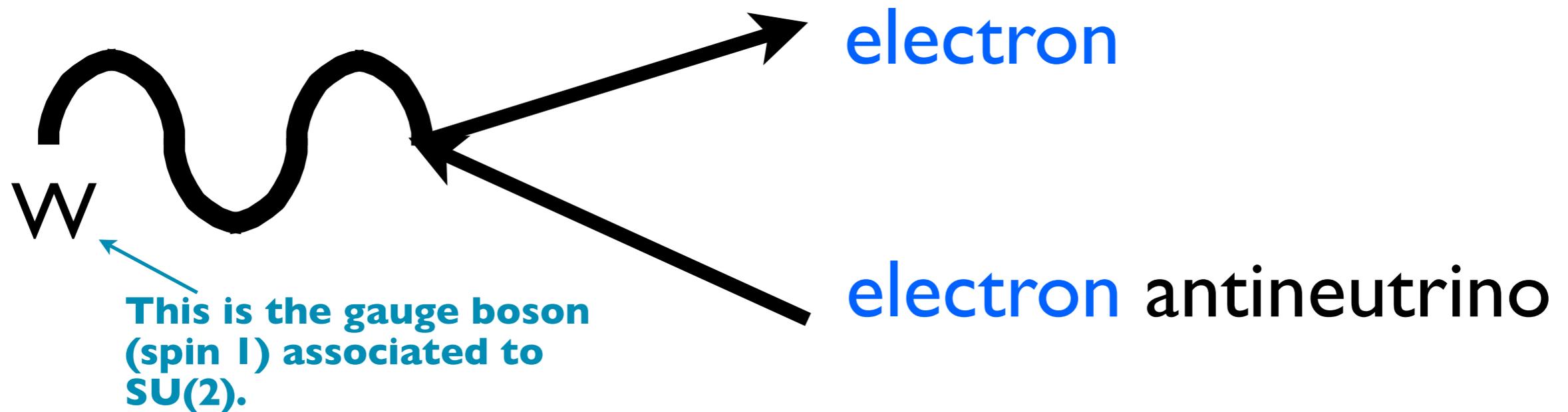
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

Same math structure as spin.

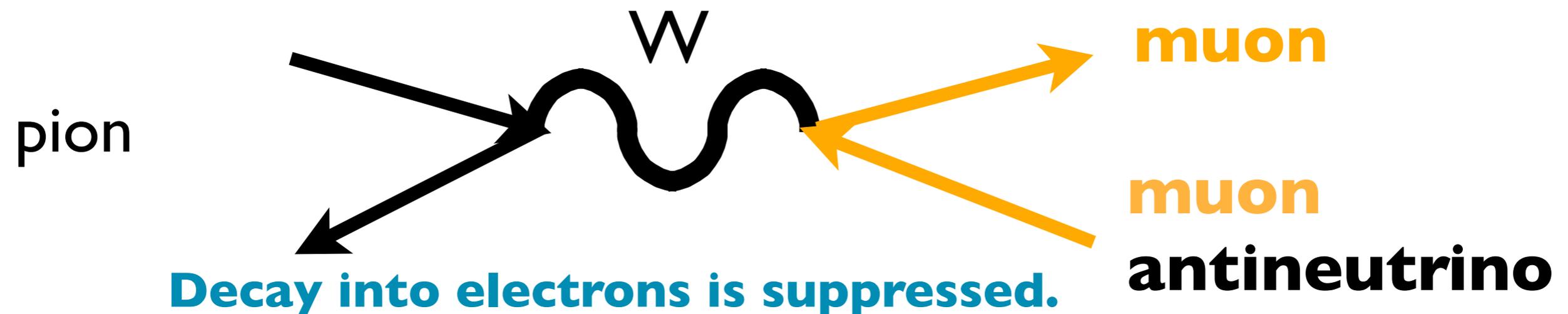
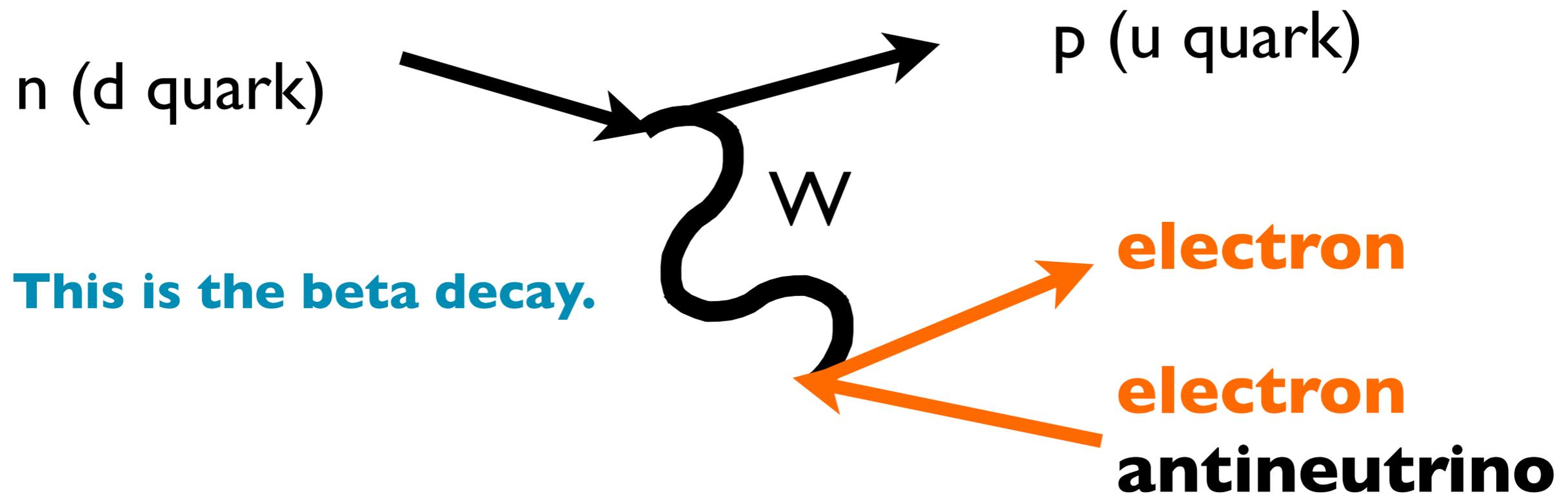
The SM tells us how neutrinos interact



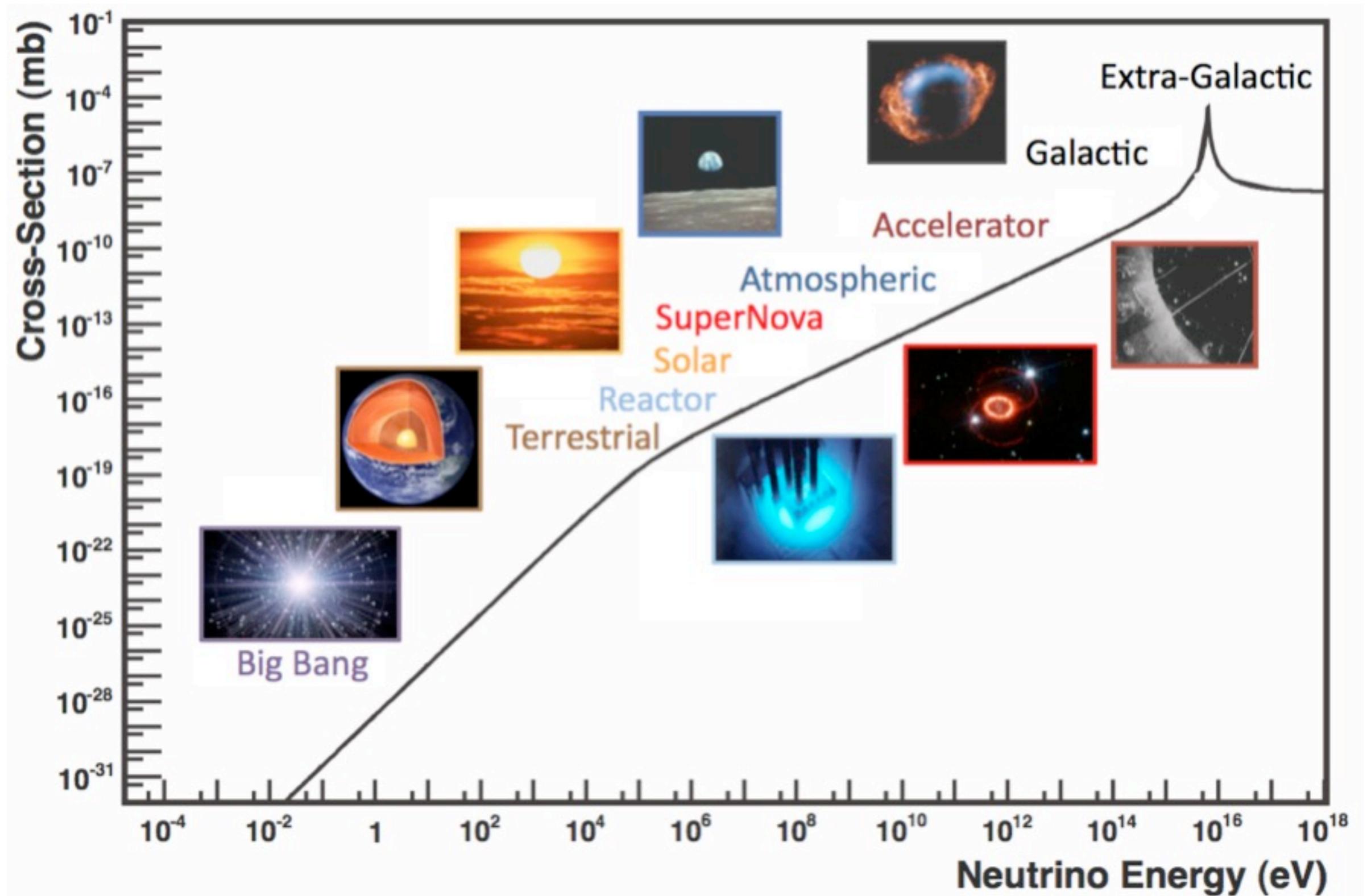
Each type of neutrino flavour interacts with the lepton of the same flavour.

# Neutrino production

In CC (NC) SU(2) interactions, the W boson (Z boson) will be exchanged leading to production of neutrinos.



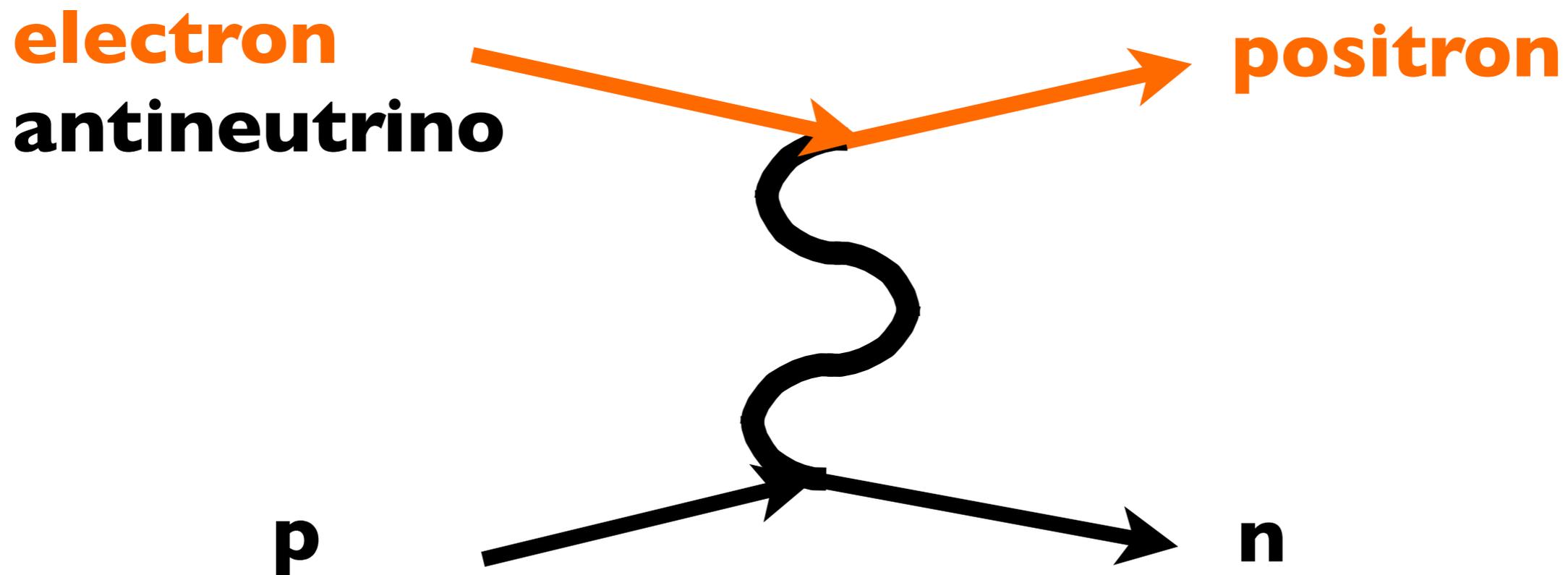
# Neutrino sources



J. Formaggio and S. Zeller, I 305.75 I 3

# Neutrino detection

Neutrino detection proceeds via CC (and NC) SU(2) interactions. Example:



Notice that the leptons have different masses:

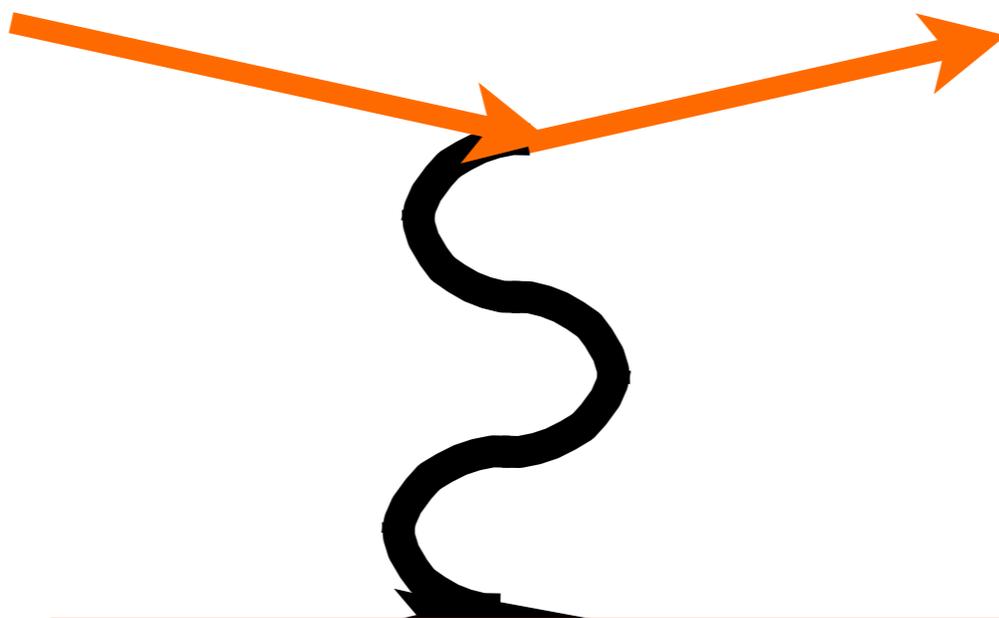
$$m_e = 0.5 \text{ MeV} < m_{\mu} = 105 \text{ MeV} < m_{\tau} = 1700 \text{ MeV}$$

A certain lepton will be produced in a CC process only if the neutrino has sufficient energy.

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**electron  
neutrino**



**electron**

**n**

Notice that the  
 $m_e = 0.5 \text{ MeV}$

*Can a 3 MeV reactor  
antineutrino produce a  
muon in a CC interaction?*  
**NO**

$m_\mu = 105.7 \text{ MeV}$

A certain lepton will be produced in a CC process only if the neutrino has sufficient energy.

We are interested mainly in produced **charged particles** as these can emit light and/or leave tracks in segmented detectors (magnetisation -> charge reconstruction).



Super-Kamiokande

**Scintillator**

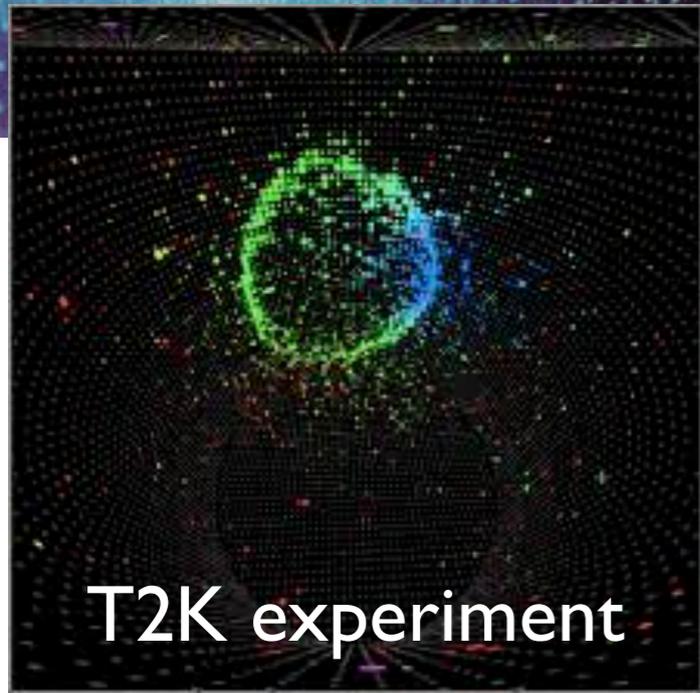


Borexino

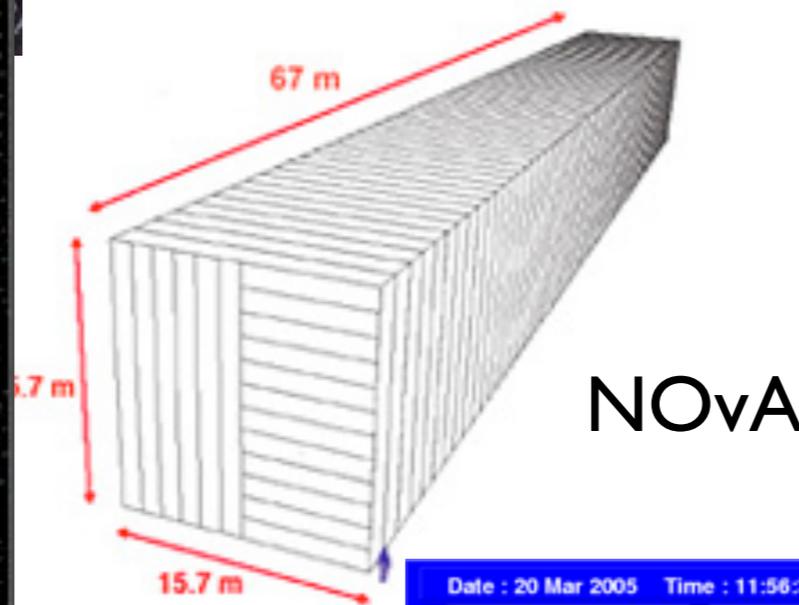
**LAr**



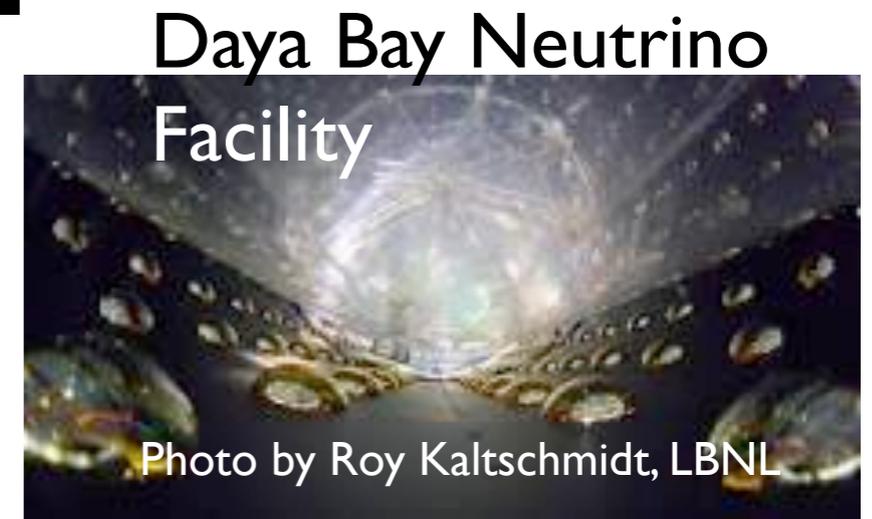
MicroBooNE



T2K experiment

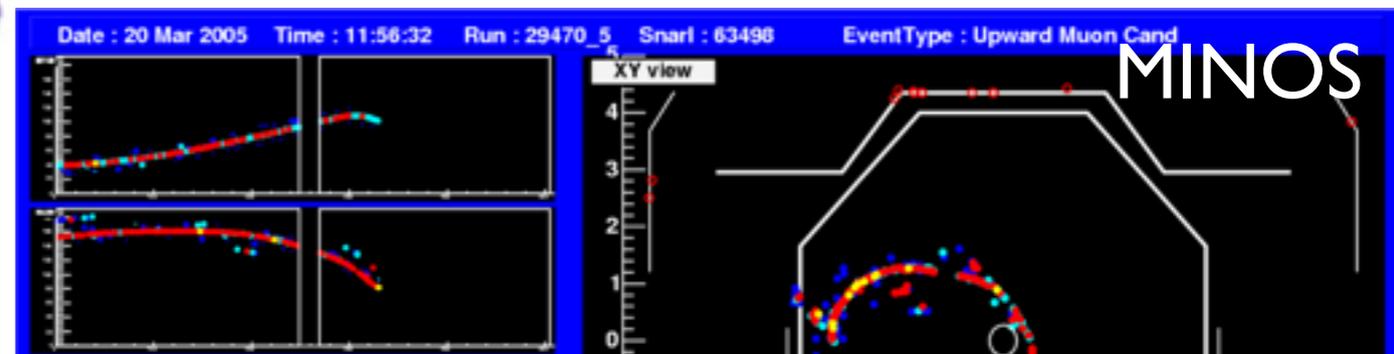


NOvA



Daya Bay Neutrino Facility

Photo by Roy Kaltschmidt, LBNL



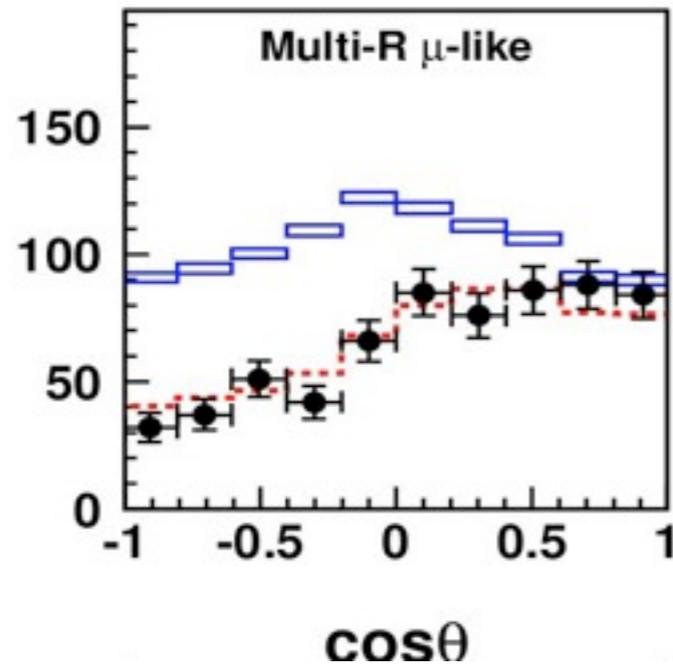
MINOS

**Water Cherenkov**  
**Iron magnetised**

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# The discovery of neutrino oscillations



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## Evidence for Oscillation of Atmospheric Neutrinos

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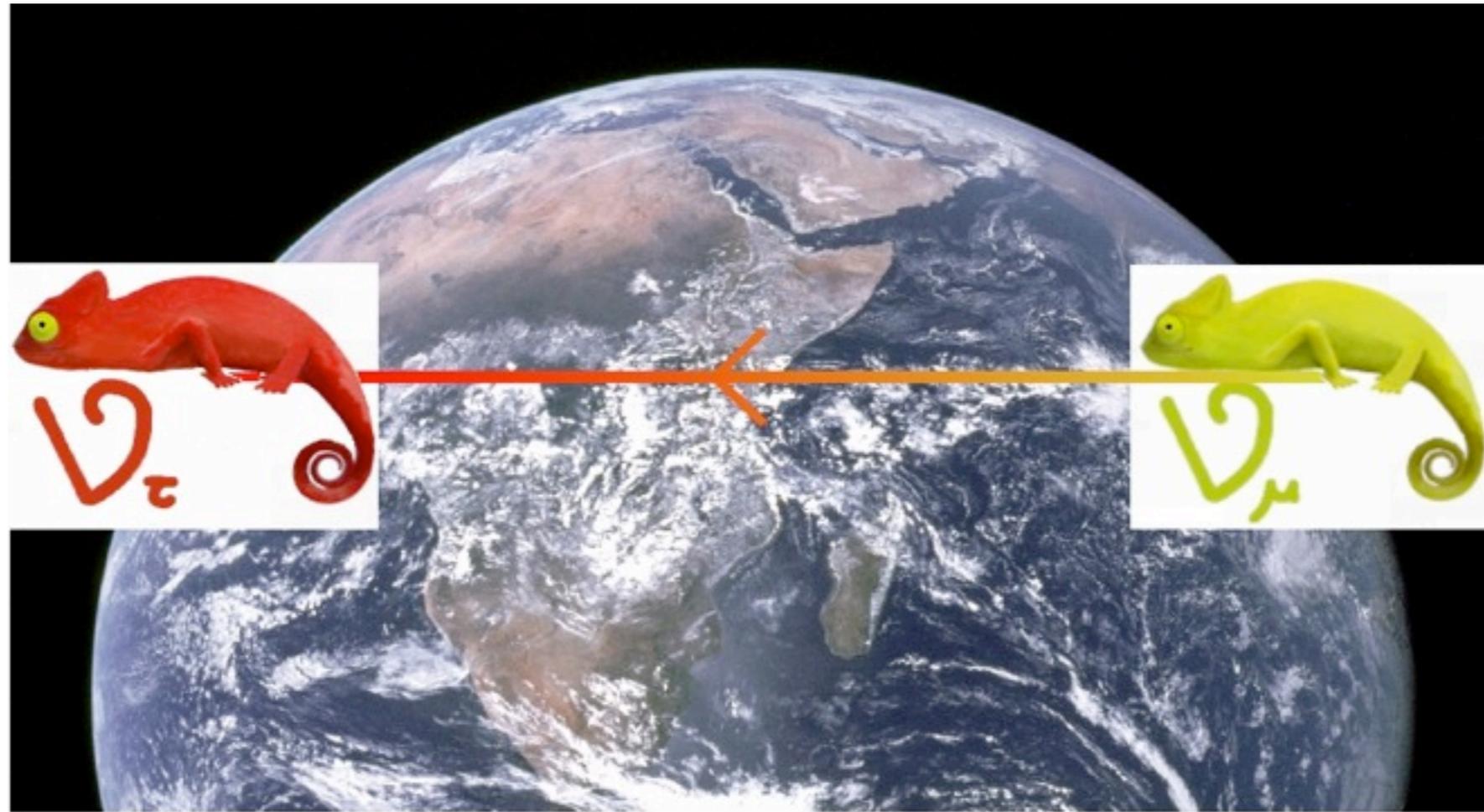
- **Atmospheric neutrinos** | 1998: Super-Kamiokande observed a **depletion of muon-like events** for neutrinos which transverse the Earth.

- **Solar neutrinos**: In **2002**, SNO observing not only electron neutrino **disappearance** but also active neutrino **appearance**.

- **Reactor neutrinos**: KamLAND observed the **disappearance of electron anti-neutrinos**.



Neutrinos are **chameleon** particles.



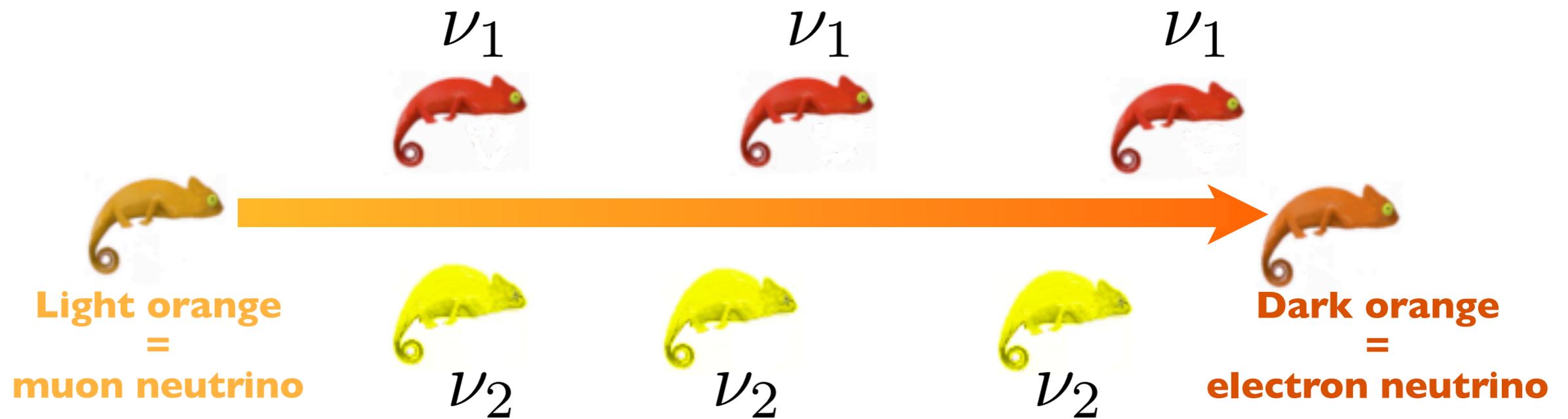
In a **SM** interaction a neutrino of one type (electron, muon or tau) is produced. While travelling it **changes its “flavour”** and can even become another type of neutrino. This can explain the atmospheric and solar neutrino disappearance.

## *Quantum Mechanics analogs*

Neutrino oscillations are analogous to many other systems in QM, in which the initial state is a **coherent superposition of eigenstates of Hamiltonian**:

- NH<sub>3</sub> molecule: produced in a superposition of “up” and “down” states
- Spin states: for example a state with spin up in the z-direction in a magnetic field aligned in the x-direction  $B=(B,0,0)$ . This gives rise to spin-precession, i.e. the state changes the spin orientation with a typical oscillatory behaviour.

# Neutrino oscillations: the picture



## Production

$$|\nu_\mu\rangle = \sum_i U_{\mu i} |\nu_i\rangle$$

Flavour states  
**coherent**  
**superposition** of  
 massive states

## Propagation

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &: e^{-iE_1 t} \\ \nu_2 &: e^{-iE_2 t} \\ \nu_3 &: e^{-iE_3 t} \end{aligned}$$

Massive states  
 (eigenstates of the  
 Hamiltonian)

## Detection: projection over

$$\langle \nu_e |$$

Flavour  
 states

Lets's consider for simplicity the case of 2-neutrino mixing. The time evolution is given by

$$|\nu, t\rangle = e^{-i\mathcal{H}t} |\nu, 0\rangle = -\sin\theta e^{-iE_1 t} |\nu_1\rangle + \cos\theta e^{-iE_2 t} |\nu_2\rangle$$

As neutrinos are highly relativistic,

$$E_2 - E_1 \simeq \left(p + \frac{m_2^2}{2E}\right) - \left(p + \frac{m_1^2}{2E}\right) \simeq \frac{\Delta m^2}{2E}$$

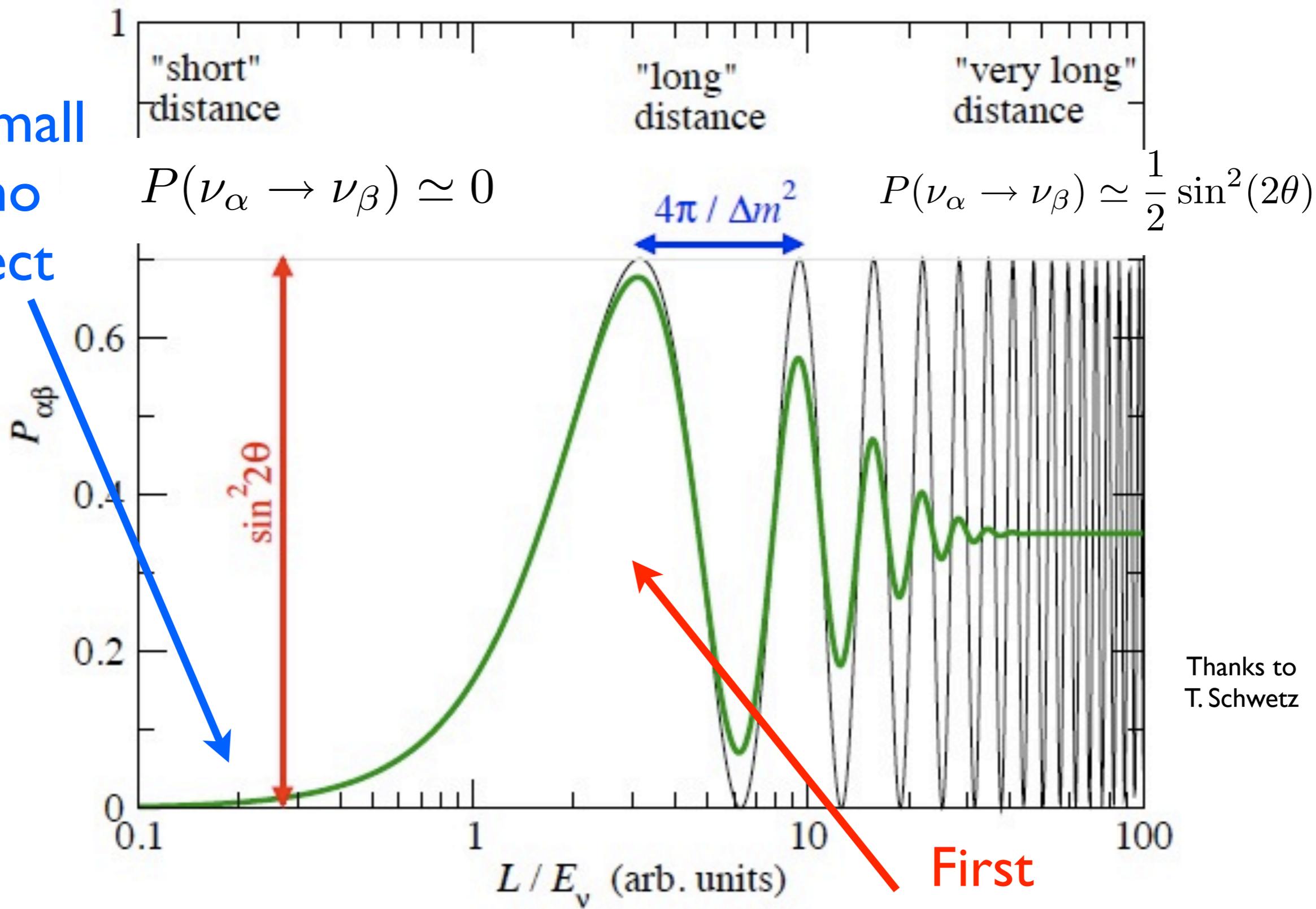
The **probability** for  $\nu_\mu$  to transform into  $\nu_e$  is:

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2 \frac{(m_2^2 - m_1^2)L}{4E}$$

**Mixing angle: disalignment between flavour and mass states**

**Neutrino masses**

At small  
L no  
effect



First  
oscillation  
maximum

Thanks to  
T. Schwetz

The oscillation probability implies that

- **neutrinos have mass** (as the different massive components of the initial flavour state need to propagate with different phases)
- **neutrinos mix** (as  $U$  needs not be the identity. If they do not mix, the flavour eigenstates are also eigenstates of the Hamiltonian and they do not evolve.)

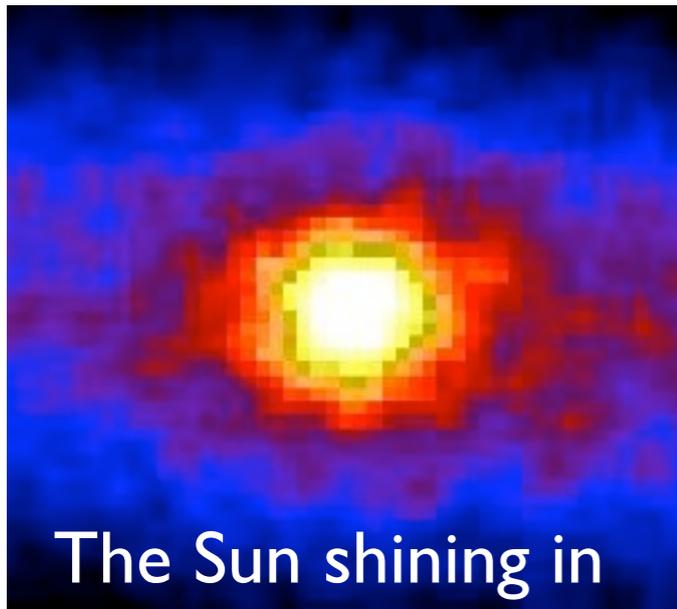
**Particle physics evidence of physics beyond the Standard Model.**

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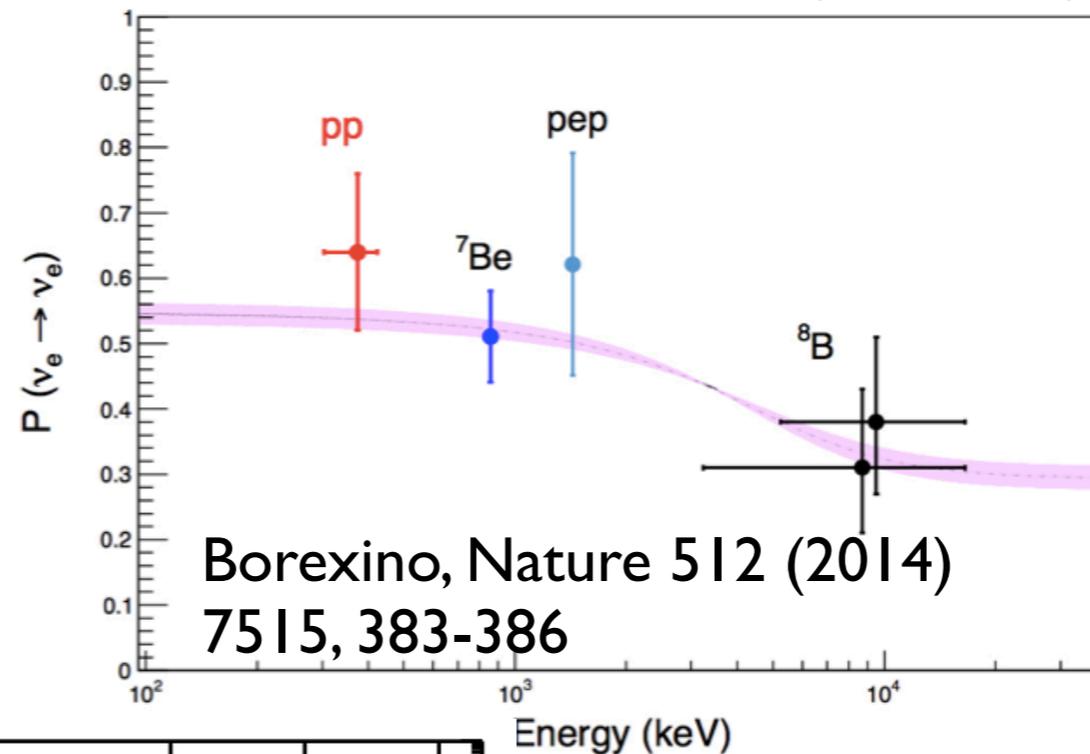
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# Solar neutrinos

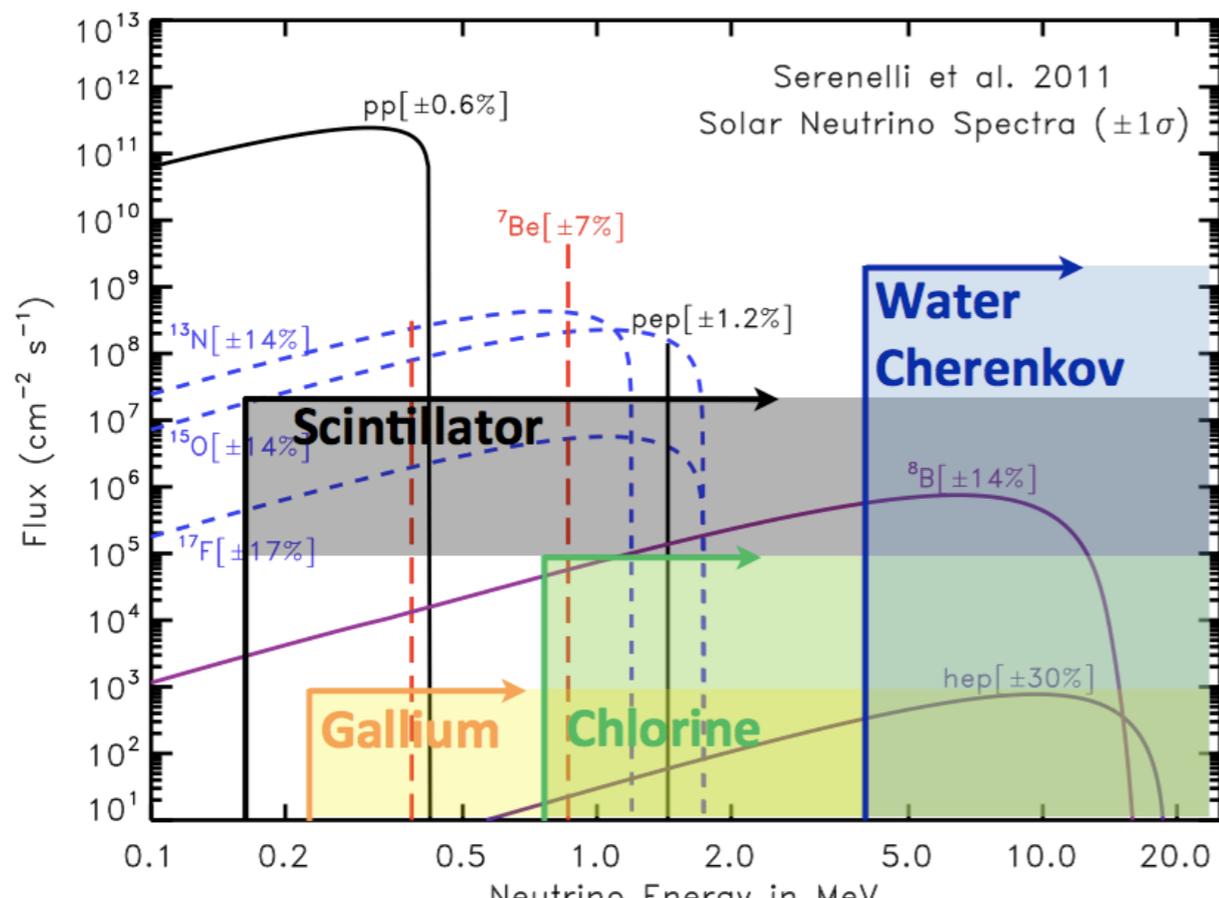
Electron neutrinos are copiously produced in the Sun, at very high electron densities.



The Sun shining in neutrinos.



- Typical energies: 0.1-10 MeV.
- One can observe CC  $\nu_e$  and NC.



SNO, also  
Cl, Ga,  
Super-  
Kamiokande

R. Davis Jr.  
Nobel prize in  
2002

J. Wilson, talk at NuPhys 2014

# Atmospheric neutrinos

The first atmospheric neutrinos were observed in 1965 by the Kolar Gold Field (KGF) and Reines' experiments.

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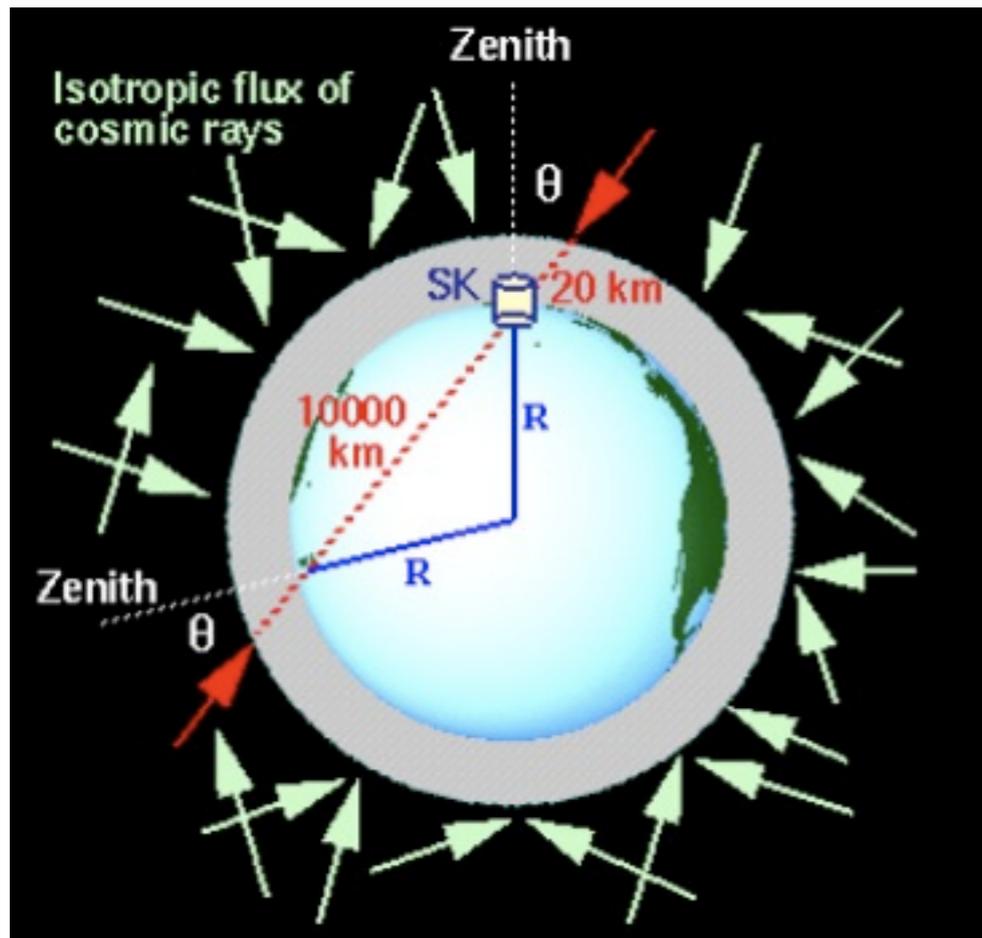
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50th anniversary!

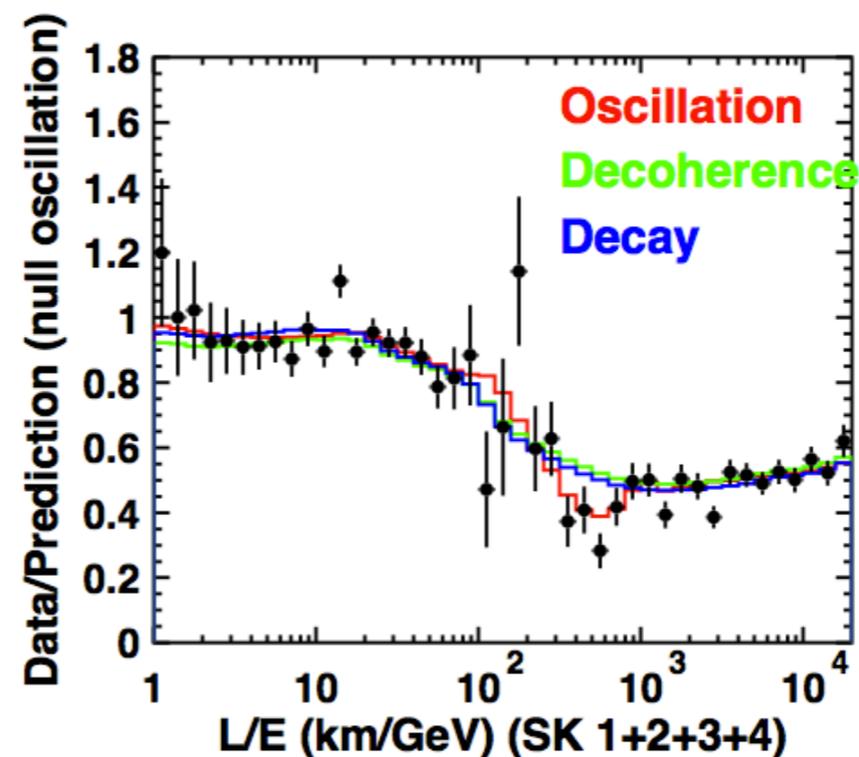
Cosmic rays hit the atmosphere and produce pions (and kaons) which decay producing lots of muon and electron (anti-) neutrinos.

- Typical energies: 100 MeV - 100 GeV
- Typical distances: 100-10000 km.



Super-Kamiokande Coll.

M. Koshiba,  
Nobel Prize in 2002



Future  
experiments:  
PINGU,  
ORCA, INO

## Reactor neutrinos

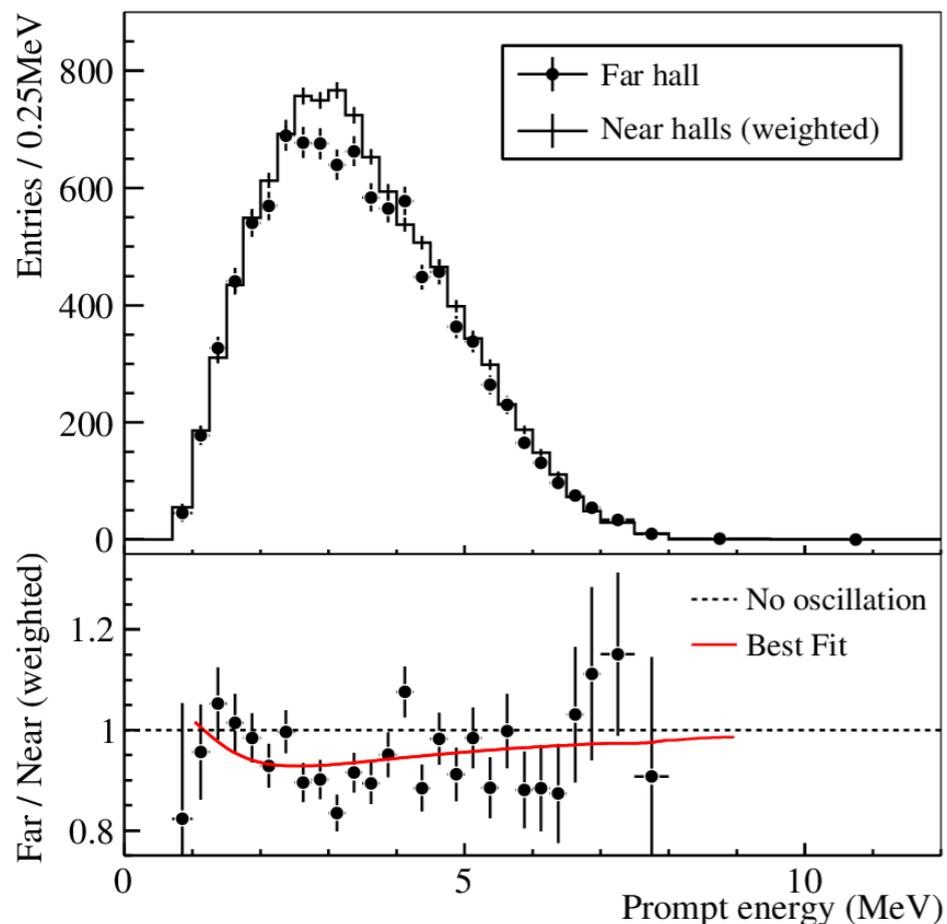
Copious amounts of electron antineutrinos are produced from reactors.

- Typical energy: 1-3 MeV;
- Typical distances:
  - ~1 km (Double-Chooz, Daya Bay, RENO)
  - ~60 km (JUNO, RENO50).
- At 1 km the disappearance probability is

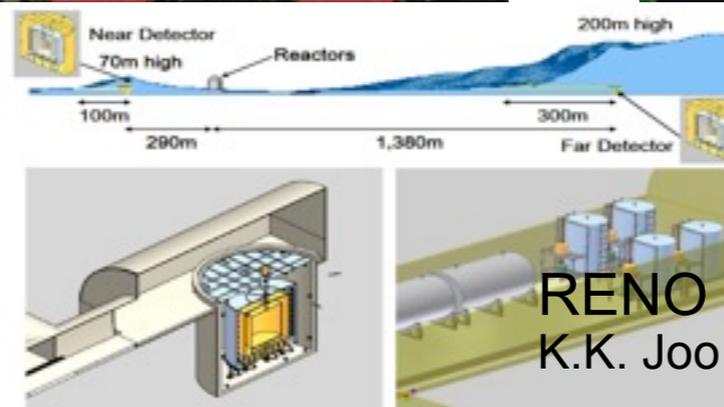
$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e; t) = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E}$$

**Sensitivity to  $\theta_{13}$ .** Reactors played an important role in the discovery of  $\theta_{13}$  and in its precise measurement.

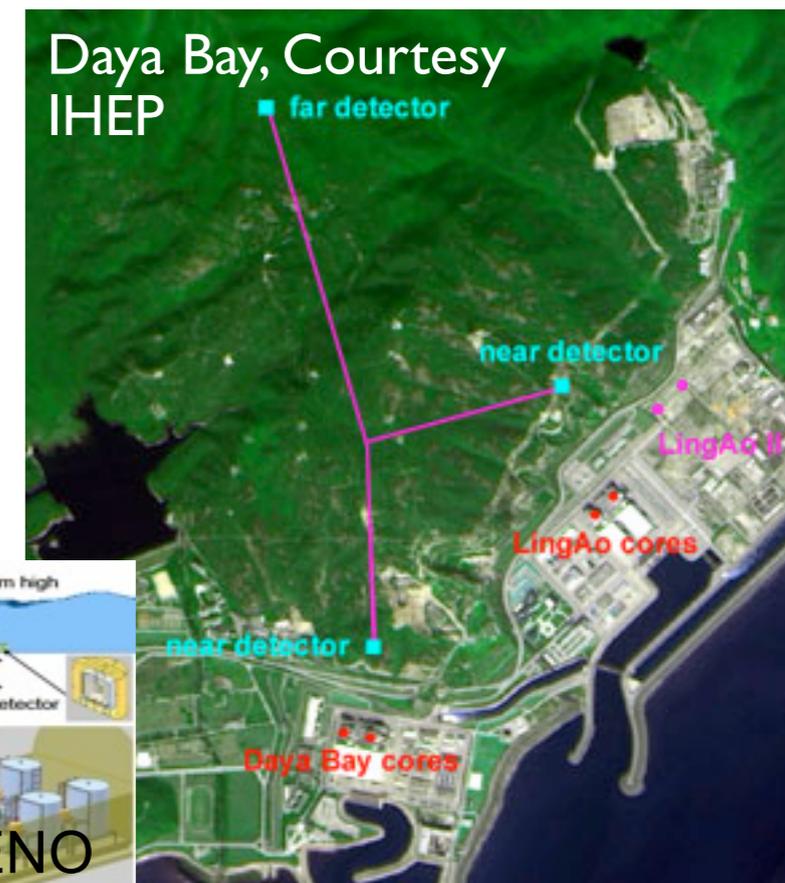
In **2012**, previous hints (DoubleCHOOZ, T2K, MINOS) for a **nonzero third mixing angle** were confirmed by Daya Bay (and RENO): **important discovery**.



Daya Bay, PRL 108 (2012)



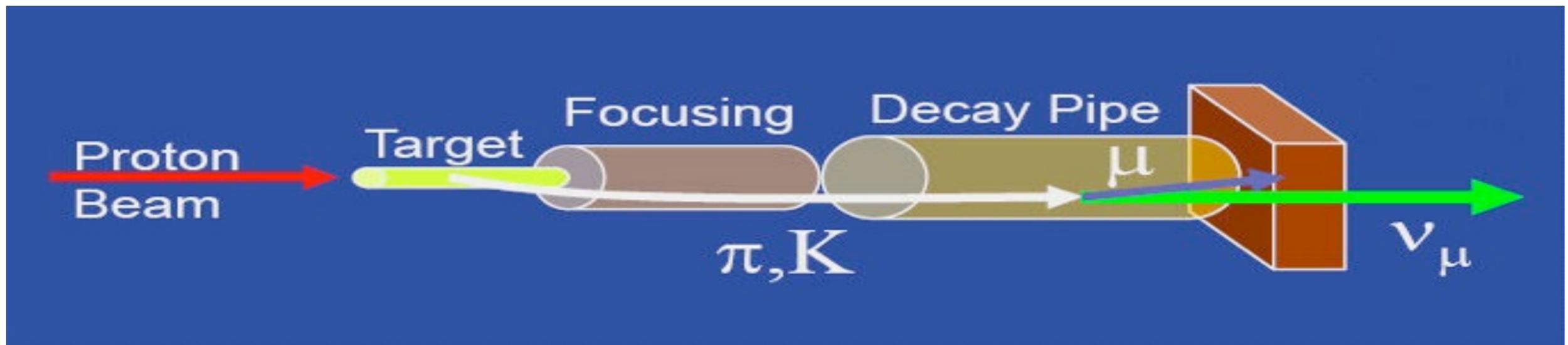
RENO  
K.K. Joo



This discovery has very important implications for the future neutrino programme and understanding of the origin of mixing.

# Accelerator neutrinos

Conventional beams: muon neutrinos from pion decays

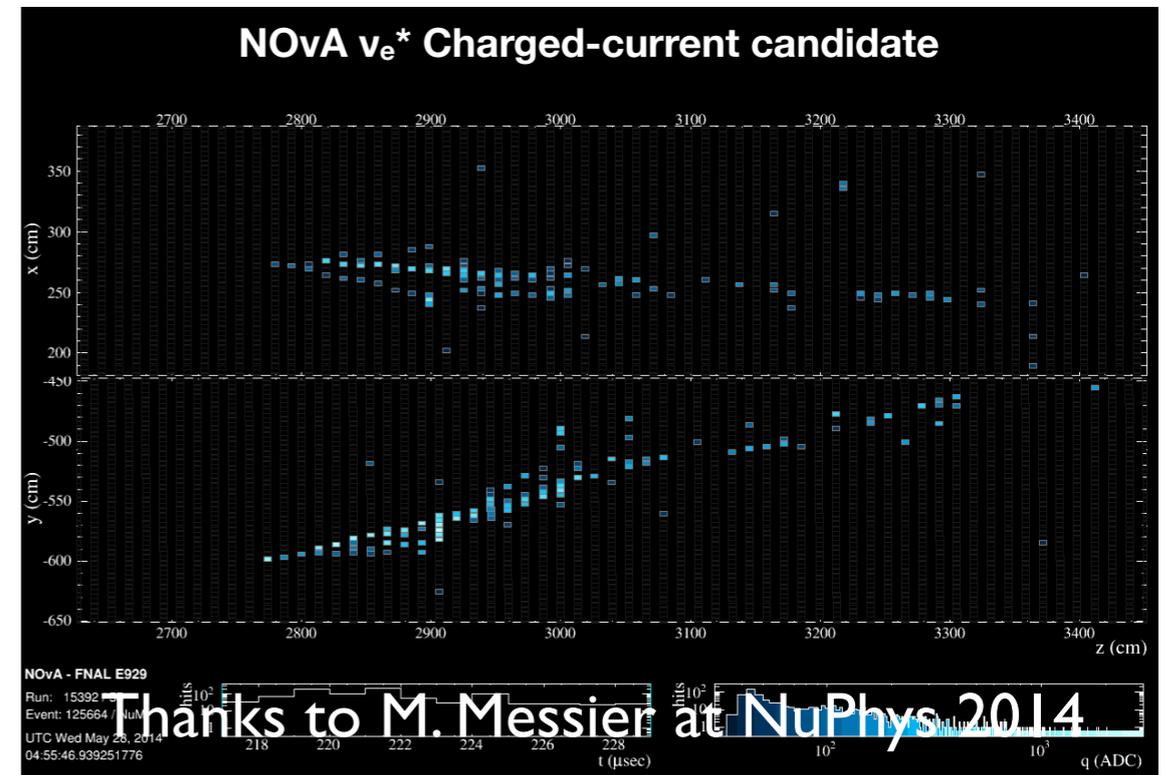
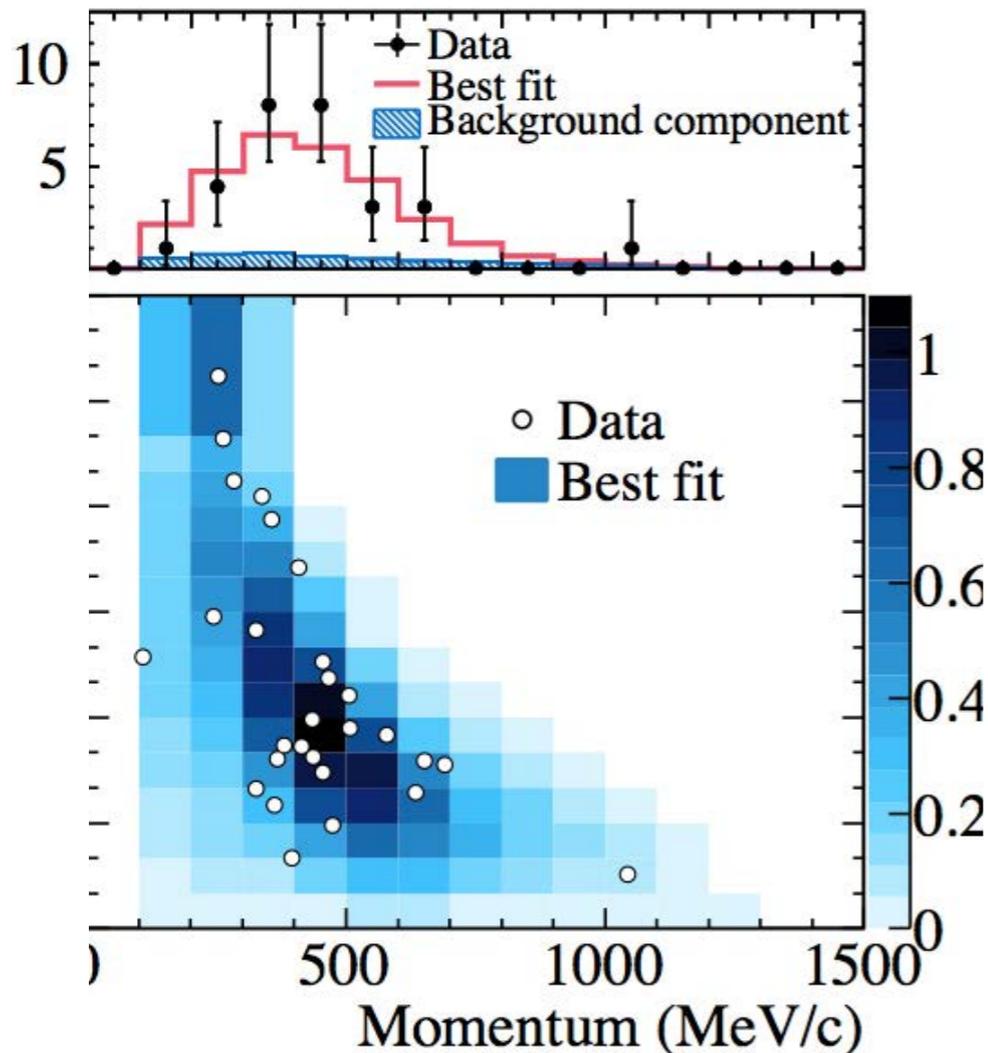
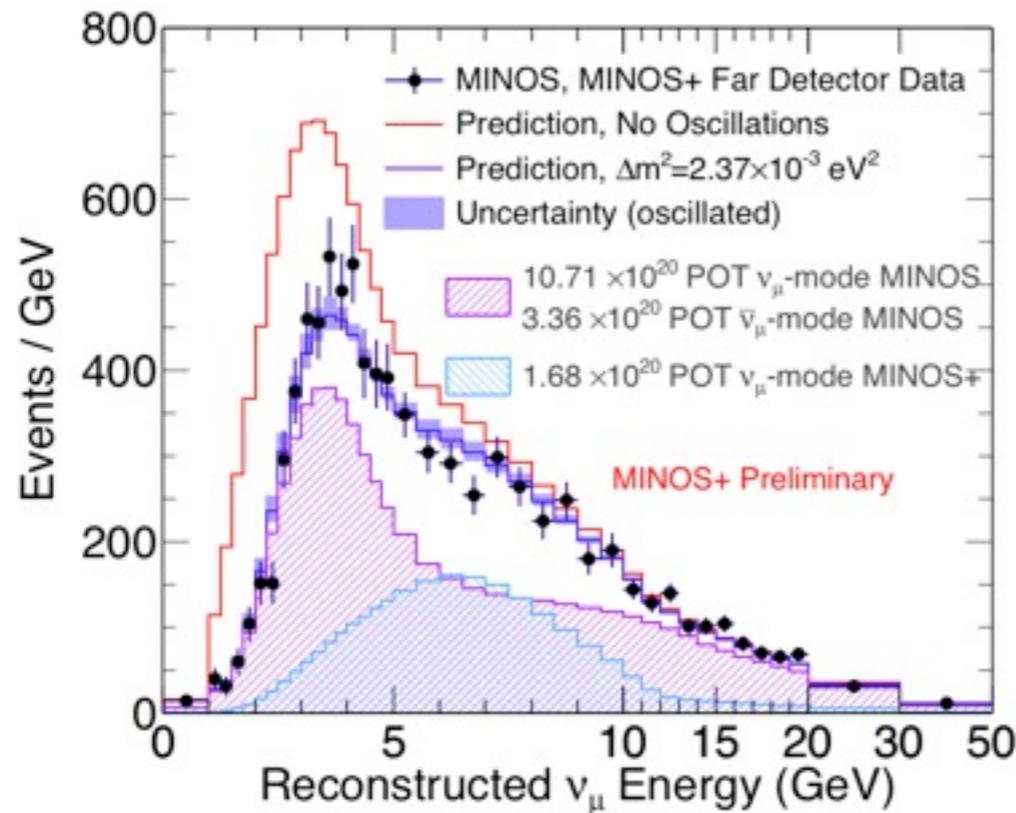


Neutrino production. Credit: Fermilab

- Typical energies:  
MINOS:  $E \sim 4$  GeV; **MINOS+**:  $E \sim 8$  GeV; **T2K**:  $E \sim 700$  MeV; **NOvA**:  $E \sim 2$  GeV; MicroBooNE, Minerva...  
OPERA and ICARUS:  $E \sim 20$  GeV.
- Typical distances: 100 km - 2000 km, or  $\sim 100$  m-2 km.  
MINOS:  $L = 735$  km; T2K:  $L = 295$  km; NOvA:  $L = 810$  km.  
OPERA and ICARUS:  $L = 700$  km.

# MINOS and MINOS+ search for muon $\nu$ disappearance (electron $\nu$ appearance)

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



NOvA and T2K search for muon  $\nu$  disappearance and electron  $\nu$  appearance

**T2K:  $7.3\sigma$  significance to non-zero  $\theta_{13}$ , Discovery of  $\nu_e$  appearance!**

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# Current neutrino parameters

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	bf $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bf $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	$3\sigma$ range
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$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.0218^{+0.0010}_{-0.0010}$	$0.0186 \rightarrow 0.0250$	$0.0219^{+0.0011}_{-0.0010}$	$0.0188 \rightarrow 0.0251$	$0.0188 \rightarrow 0.0251$
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.50^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$	$7.85 \rightarrow 9.10$	$8.51^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$	$7.87 \rightarrow 9.11$	$7.87 \rightarrow 9.11$
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$306^{+39}_{-70}$	$0 \rightarrow 360$	$254^{+63}_{-62}$	$0 \rightarrow 360$	$0 \rightarrow 360$
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	$7.02 \rightarrow 8.09$	$7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	$7.02 \rightarrow 8.09$	$7.02 \rightarrow 8.09$
$\frac{\Delta m_{3\ell}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$+2.457^{+0.047}_{-0.047}$	$+2.317 \rightarrow +2.607$	$-2.449^{+0.048}_{-0.047}$	$-2.590 \rightarrow -2.307$	$\left[ \begin{array}{l} +2.325 \rightarrow +2.599 \\ -2.590 \rightarrow -2.307 \end{array} \right]$

2 mass squared differences

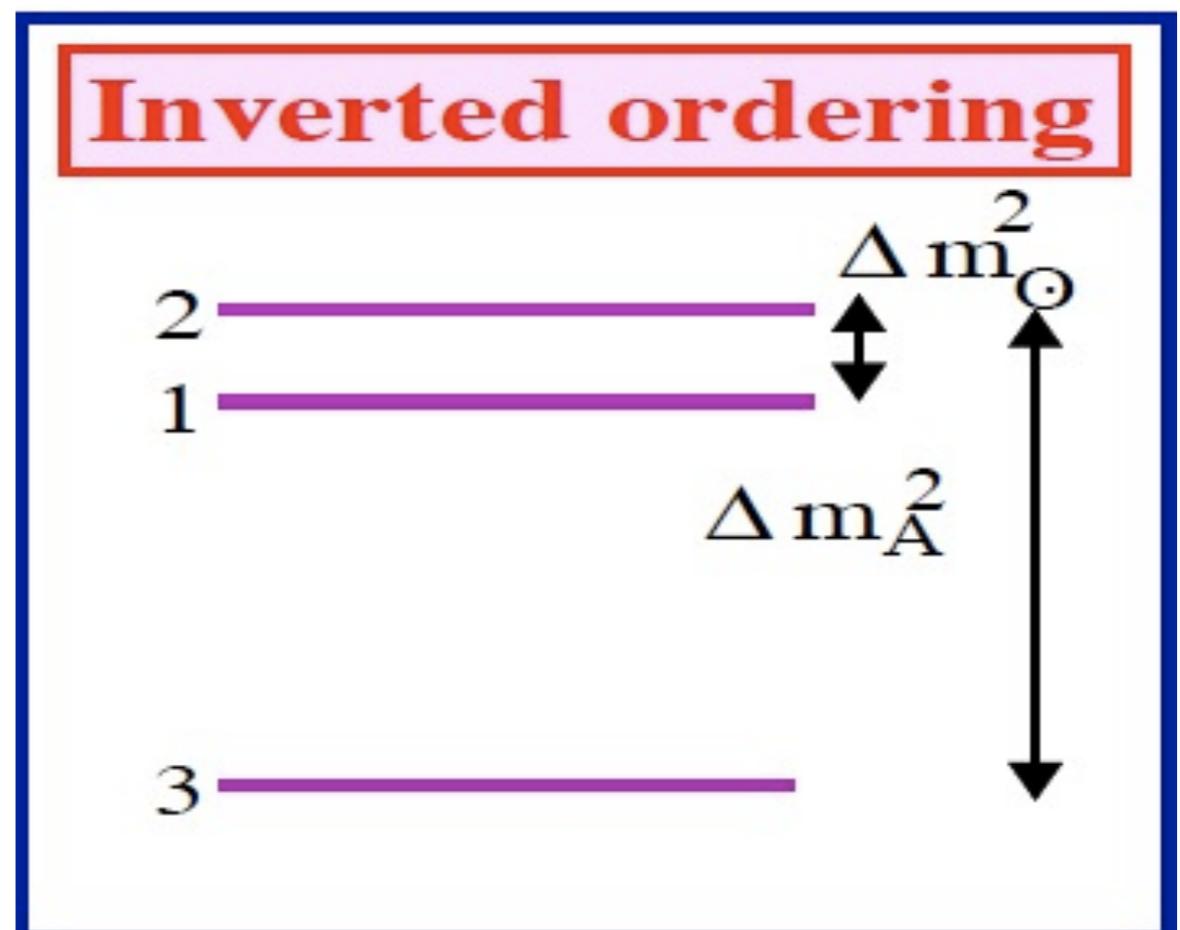
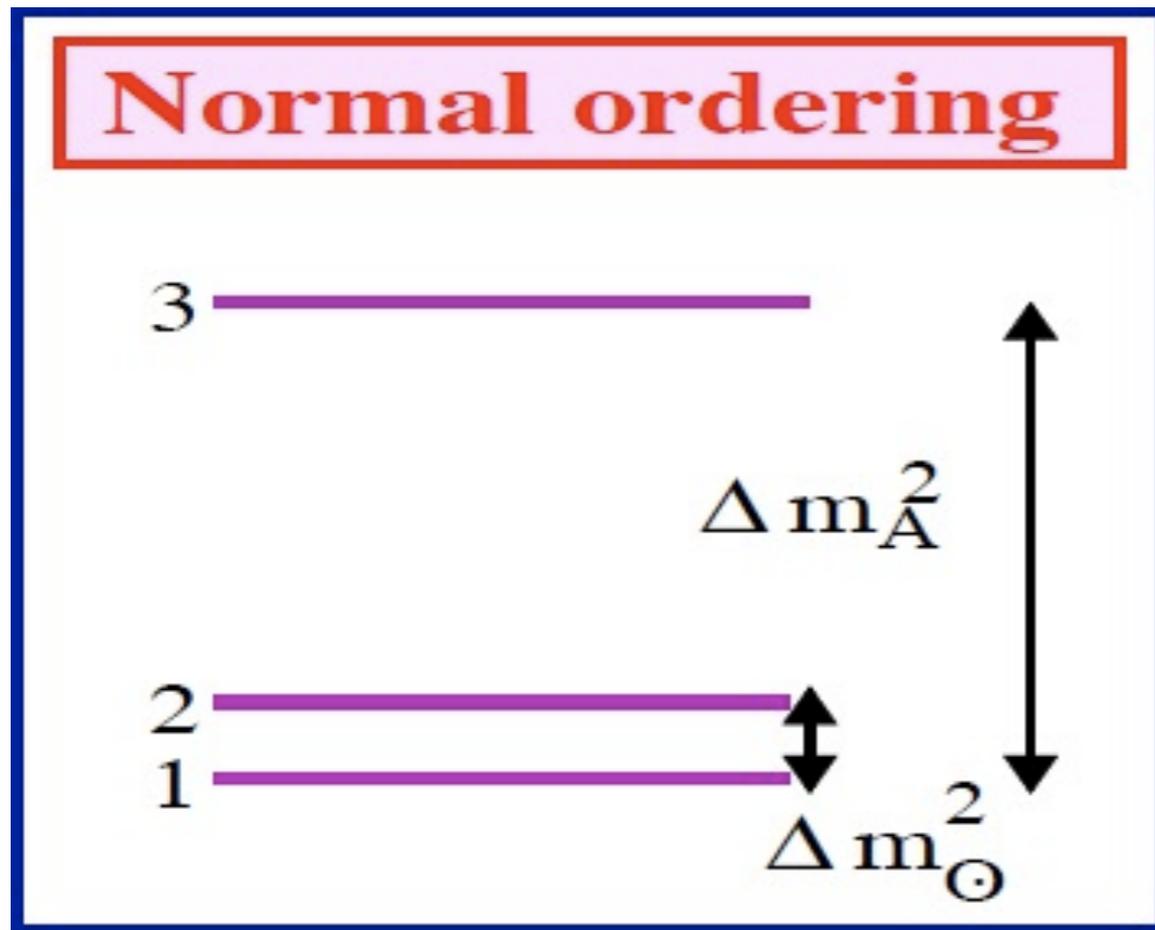
M. C. Gonzalez-Garcia et al., NuFit, 1409.5439

**Masses are much smaller than the other fermions.**

There are two possible orderings:

**normal** ( $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$ ) and **inverted** ( $m_3 < m_1 < m_2$ ).

$\Delta m_s^2 \ll \Delta m_A^2$  implies at least 3 massive neutrinos.



$$m_1 = m_{\min}$$

$$m_2 = \sqrt{m_{\min}^2 + \Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2}$$

$$m_3 = \sqrt{m_{\min}^2 + \Delta m_A^2}$$

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$$m_1 = \sqrt{m_{\min}^2 + \Delta m_A^2 - \Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2}$$

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Measuring the masses requires:  $m_{\min}$  and the ordering .

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$\frac{\Delta m_{3l}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$+2.457^{+0.047}_{-0.047}$	$+2.317 \rightarrow +2.607$	$-2.449^{+0.048}_{-0.047}$	$-2.590 \rightarrow -2.307$	$\left[ \begin{array}{l} +2.325 \rightarrow +2.599 \\ -2.590 \rightarrow -2.307 \end{array} \right]$

**3 sizable mixing angles**

M. C. Gonzalez-Garcia et al., NuFit, 1409.5439

Mixing is described by the **Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata matrix**, which enters in the CC interactions.

**Mixing angles are much larger than in the quark sector.**

	Normal Ordering ( $\Delta\chi^2 = 0.97$ )		Inverted Ordering (best fit)		Any Ordering
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	$3\sigma$ range
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	$0.270 \rightarrow 0.344$	$0.304^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	$0.270 \rightarrow 0.344$	$0.270 \rightarrow 0.344$
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.48^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	$31.29 \rightarrow 35.91$	$33.48^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	$31.29 \rightarrow 35.91$	$31.29 \rightarrow 35.91$
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.452^{+0.052}_{-0.028}$	$0.382 \rightarrow 0.643$	$0.579^{+0.025}_{-0.037}$	$0.389 \rightarrow 0.644$	$0.385 \rightarrow 0.644$
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$42.3^{+3.0}_{-1.6}$	$38.2 \rightarrow 53.3$	$49.5^{+1.5}_{-2.2}$	$38.6 \rightarrow 53.3$	$38.3 \rightarrow 53.3$
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.0218^{+0.0010}_{-0.0010}$	$0.0186 \rightarrow 0.0250$	$0.0219^{+0.0011}_{-0.0010}$	$0.0188 \rightarrow 0.0251$	$0.0188 \rightarrow 0.0251$
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.50^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$	$7.85 \rightarrow 9.10$	$8.51^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$	$7.87 \rightarrow 9.11$	$7.87 \rightarrow 9.11$
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$306^{+39}_{-70}$	$0 \rightarrow 360$	$254^{+63}_{-62}$	$0 \rightarrow 360$	$0 \rightarrow 360$

CP-violation?

Neutrinos behave differently from antineutrinos.

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_{21}/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\alpha_{31}/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

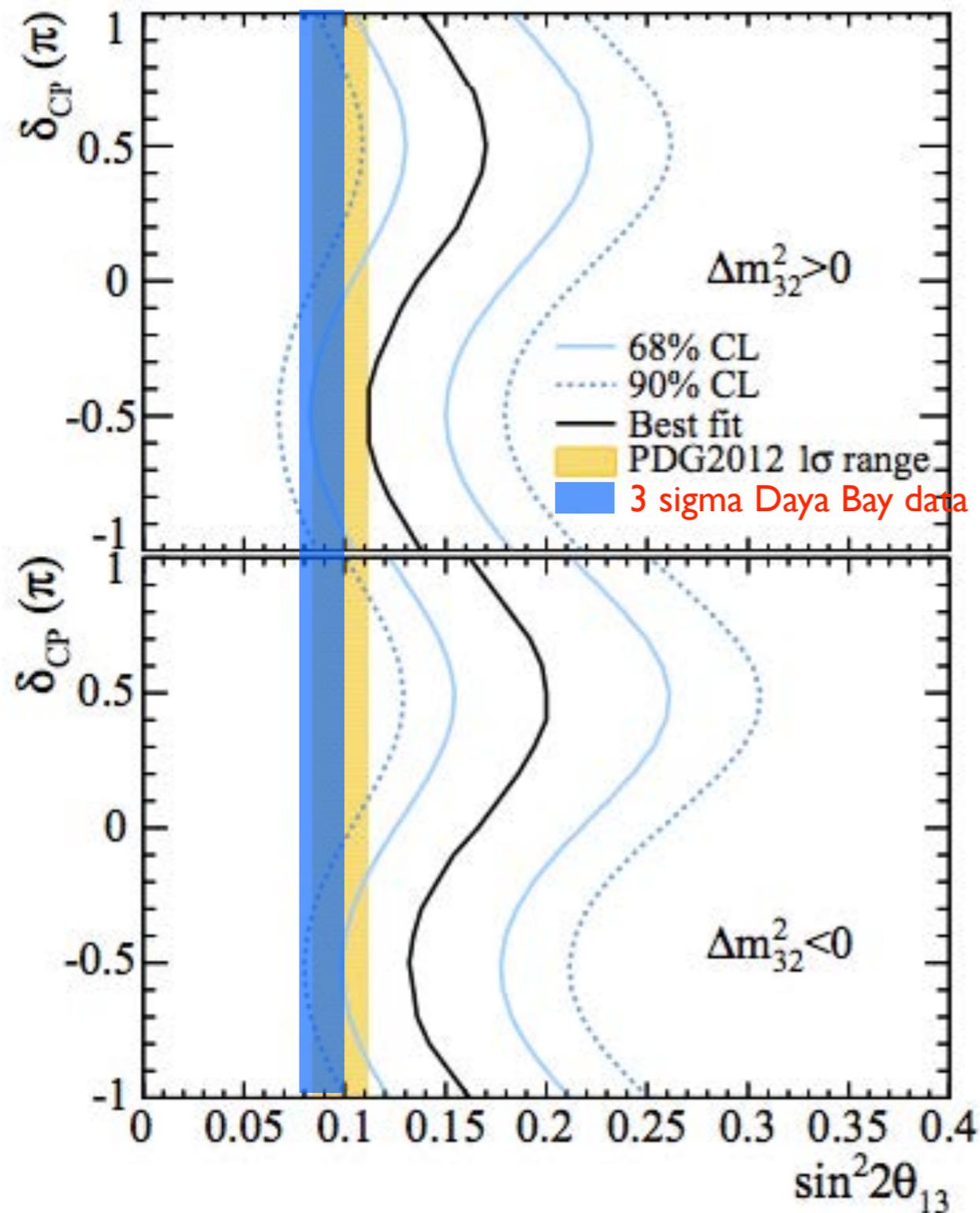
For antineutrinos,

$$U \rightarrow U^*$$

CP-conservation:

$$U \text{ is real} \Rightarrow \delta = 0, \pi$$

# Hints for CP violation?

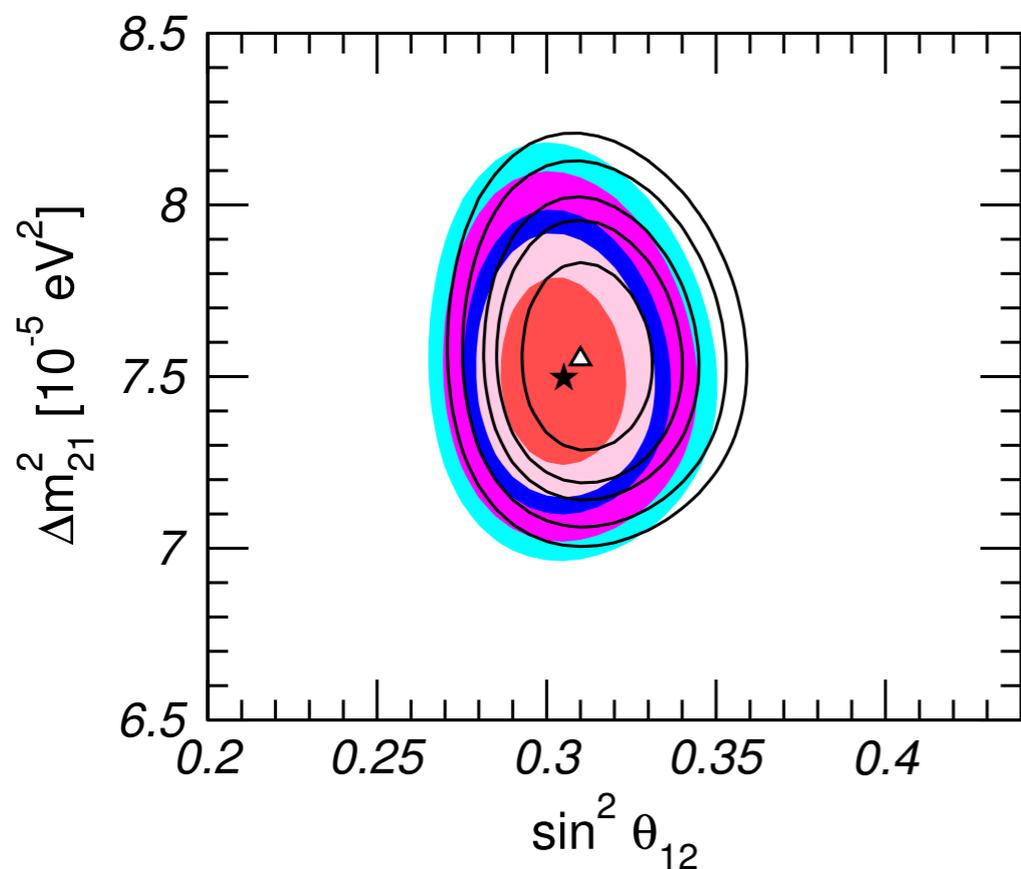
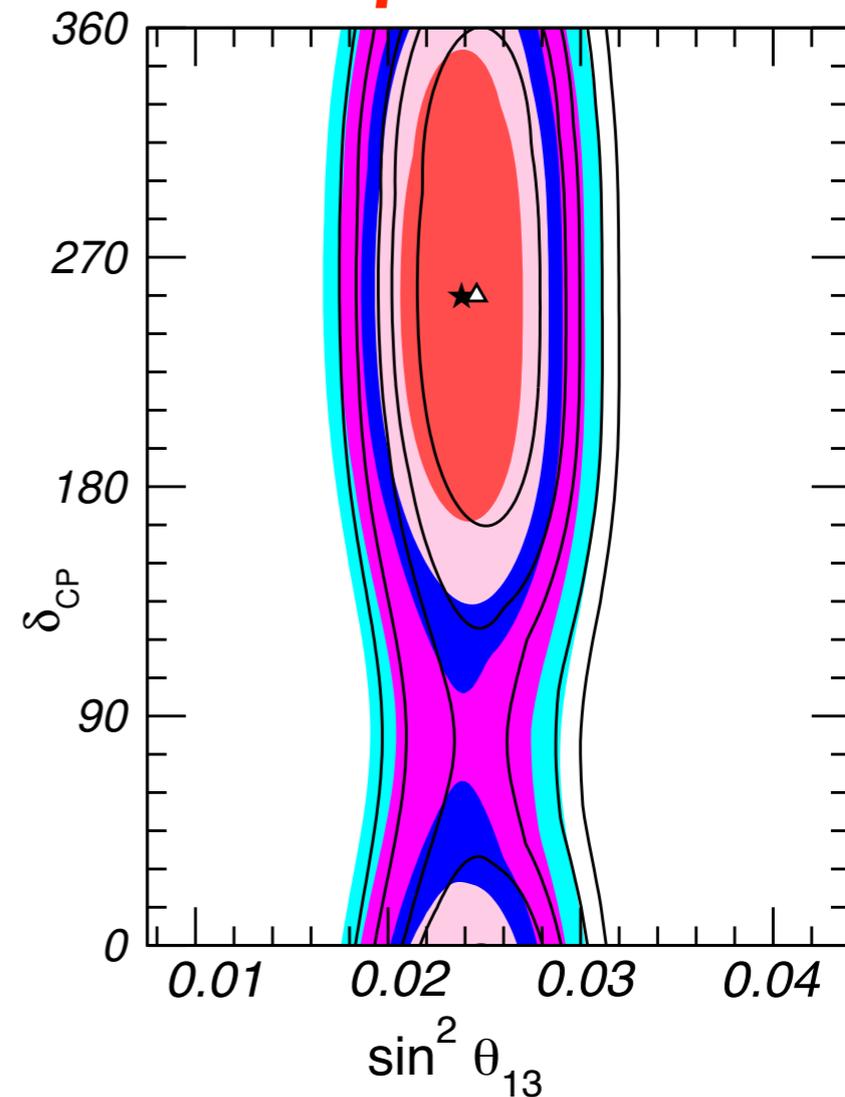
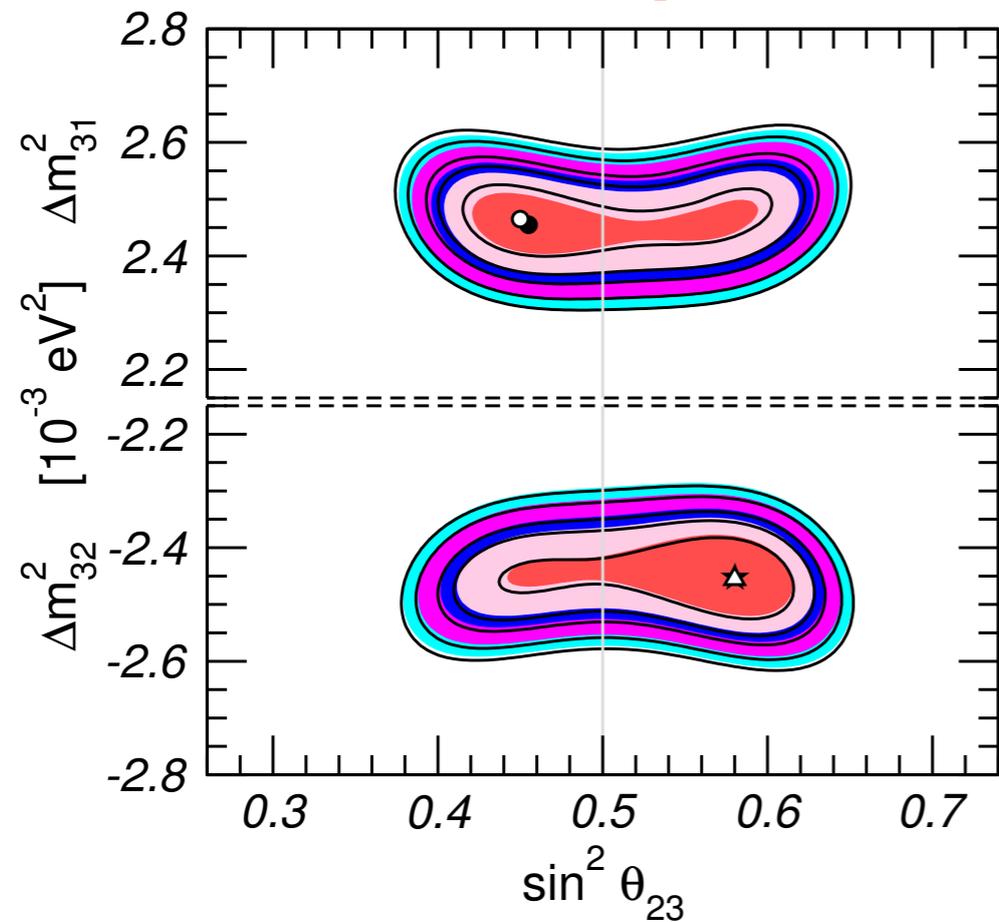


There is a slight preference for CP-violation, which is mainly due to the combination of T2K and reactor neutrino data.

Wait and see!

T2K Coll. PRL 112, 061802 (2014)

# Summary of current neutrino parameters



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All oscillation parameters are measured with good precision, except for the mass hierarchy and the delta phase. One needs to check the 3-neutrino paradigm (sterile neutrino?).

# Outline

1. Neutrino production and detection
2. Neutrino oscillations
3. Past and present experiments
4. Current knowledge of  $\nu$  parameters
- 5. Questions for the future**
  - Dirac vs Majorana:  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay**
  - $\nu$  masses and direct searches**
  - LBL future exp: MO and CPV**
  - cosmology**
6. Conclusions

# Open Phenomenology questions

- **1. What is the nature of neutrinos?**
- **2. What are the values of the masses?** Absolute scale (KATRIN, ...?) and the mass ordering (MO).
- **3. Is there CP-violation?** Its discovery in the next generation of LBL depends on the value of delta.
- **4. What are the precise values of mixing angles?** Do they suggest a underlying pattern?
- **5. Is the standard picture correct?** Are there NSI? Sterile neutrinos? Other effects?

# Nature of Neutrinos: Majorana vs Dirac

 $e^{-}$ 

**electron**

negative charge

 $e^{+}$ 

**positron**

positive charge

Charged particles can be distinguished from their antiparticles.

Neutrinos are neutral and can be **Majorana** or **Dirac** particles.

Majorana:

particle  $\sim$  antiparticle

Majorana condition:

$$\nu = C\bar{\nu}^T$$

$\nu$ **neutrino**

Lepton number +1

 $\bar{\nu}$ **antineutrino**

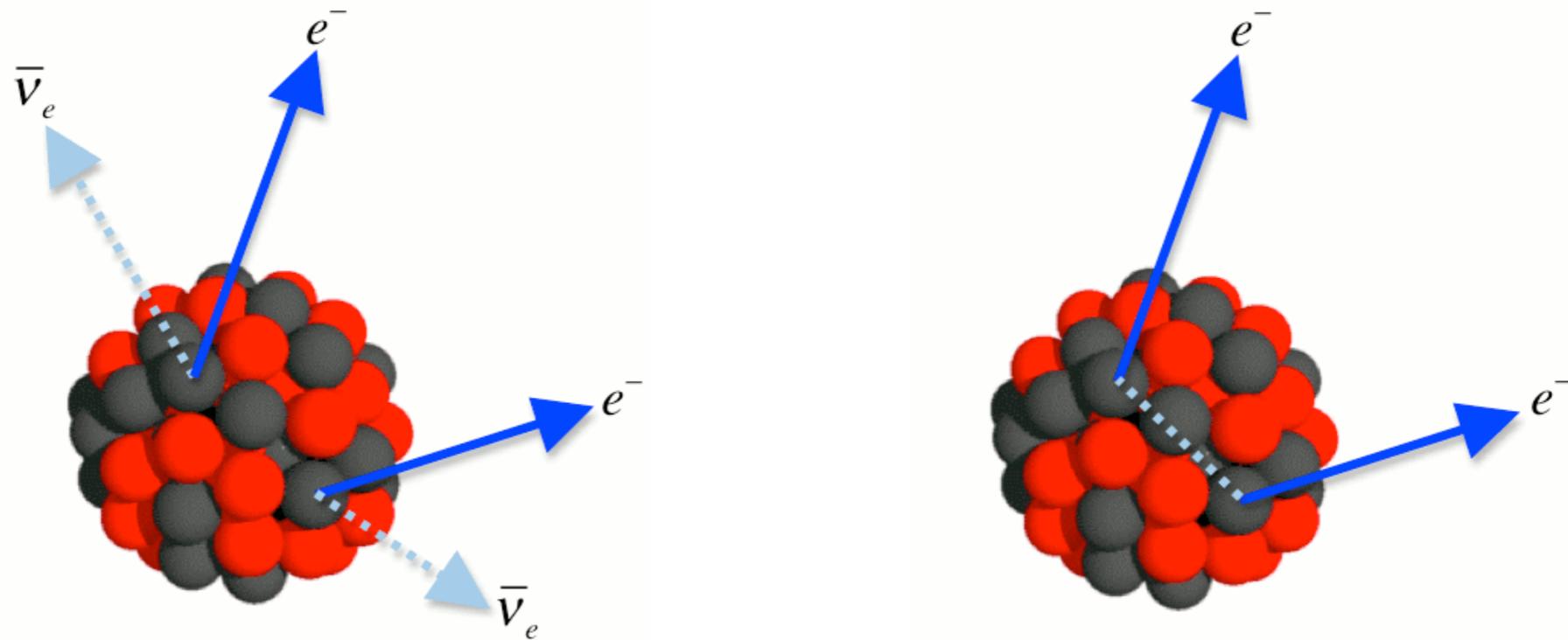
Lepton number -1

The **nature of neutrinos** is linked to the conservation of the **Lepton number (L)**.

- This is crucial information to understand the **Physics BSM** responsible for neutrino masses: **with or without L-conservation?**
- Lepton number violation is a necessary condition for **Leptogenesis**, together with CV, CPV and out of equilibrium.

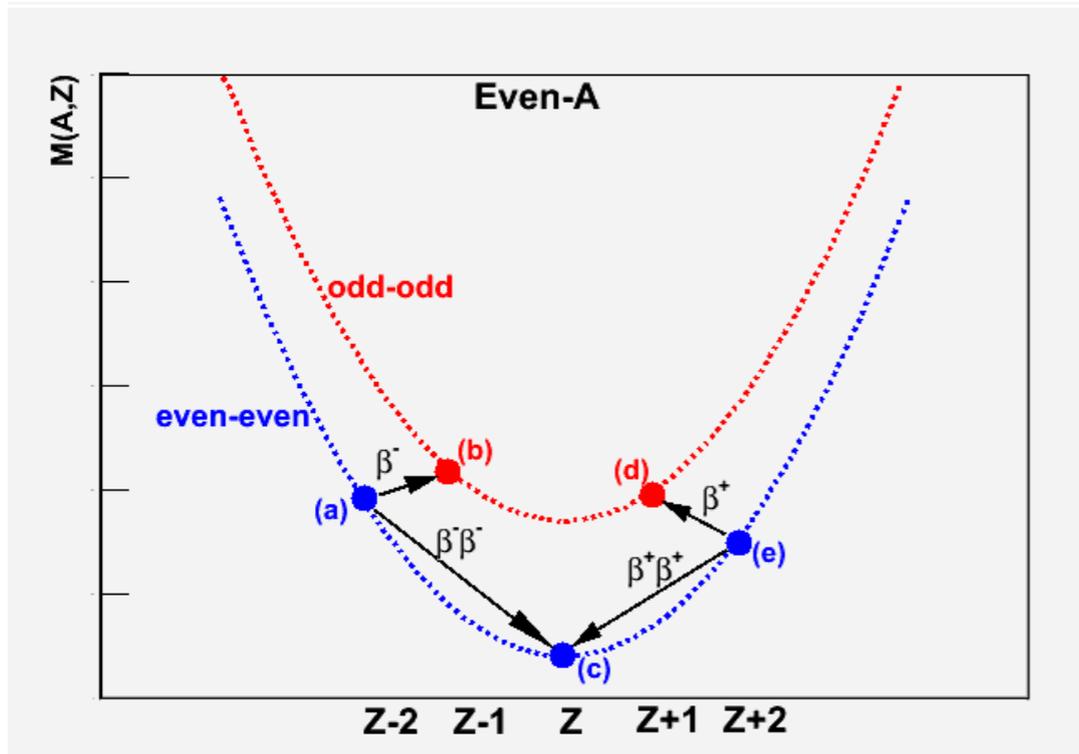
# Neutrinoless double beta decay

Neutrinoless double beta decay,  $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z+2) + 2 e^-$ , will test the nature of neutrinos.

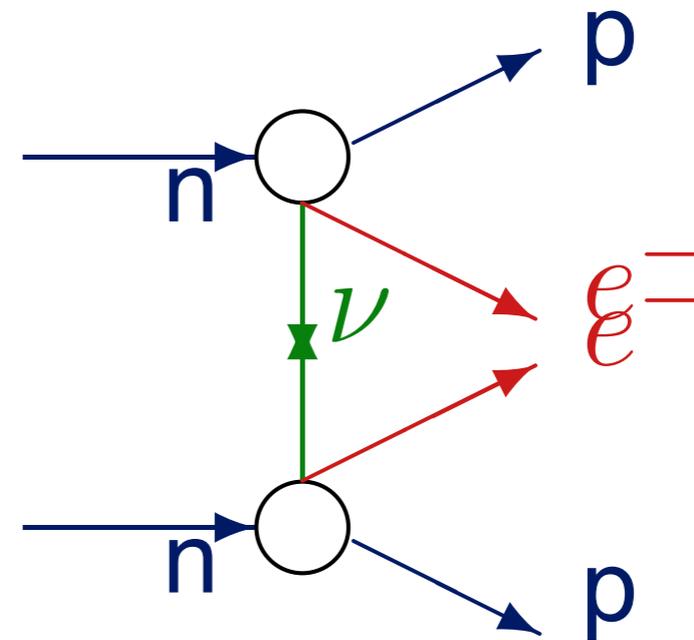
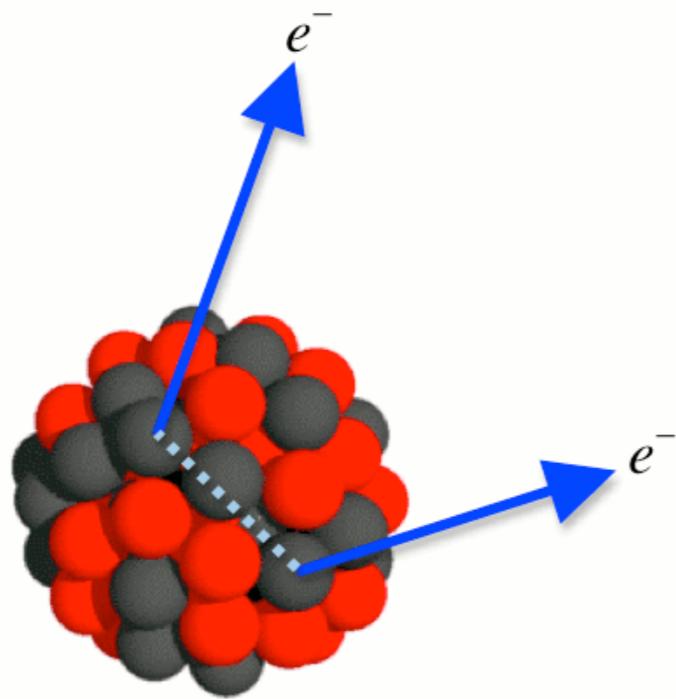


Thanks to R. Saakyan, talk at NuPhys 2014

This process has a special role in the study of neutrino properties as it probes **lepton number violation** and can provide information on neutrino masses and (possibly) on CP-violation.



Neutrinoless double beta decay proceeds in nuclei in which single beta decay is kinematically forbidden but double beta decay  $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z+2) + 2 e + 2 \nu$  is allowed.



At the fundamental level, exchange of light Majorana neutrino (or other exotic mechanism).

The half-life time depends on neutrino properties

$$\left[ T_{0\nu}^{1/2}(0^+ \rightarrow 0^+) \right]^{-1} \propto |M_F - g_A^2 M_{GT}|^2 |\langle m \rangle|^2$$

- $|\langle m \rangle| = m_{ee}$  : the effective Majorana mass parameter

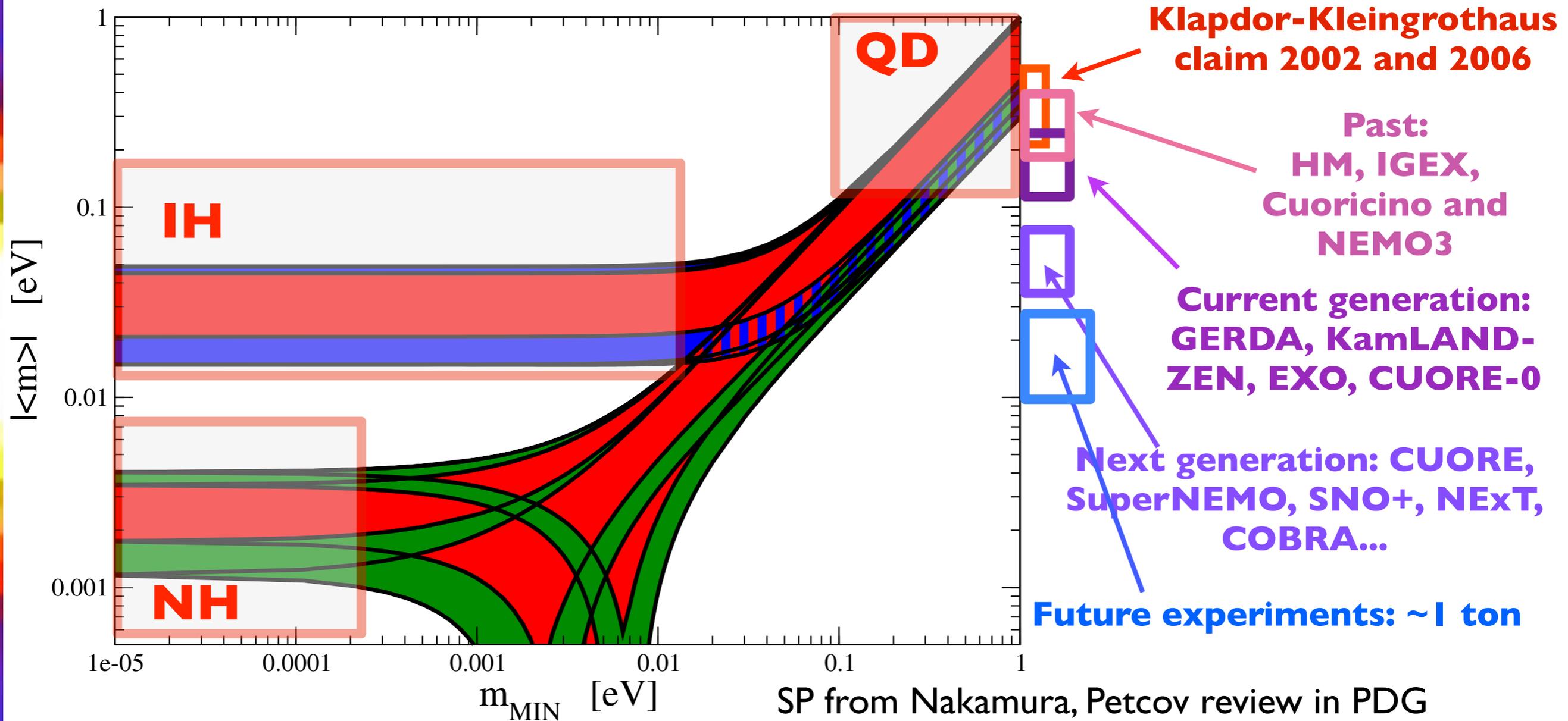
$$|\langle m \rangle| \simeq |m_1 \sin^2 \theta_{12} + m_2 \cos^2 \theta_{12} e^{i\alpha_{21}} + m_3 \sin^2 \theta_{13} e^{i\alpha_{31}}|$$

The diagram illustrates the decomposition of the effective Majorana mass  $|\langle m \rangle|$  into its constituent parts. A green arrow labeled "Masses (partially known)" points to the mass terms  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ , and  $m_3$ . A blue arrow labeled "Mixing angles (known)" points to the mixing angle terms  $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ ,  $\cos^2 \theta_{12}$ , and  $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ . A red arrow labeled "CPV phases (unknown)" points to the CP-violating phase terms  $e^{i\alpha_{21}}$  and  $e^{i\alpha_{31}}$ .

- $|M_F - g_A^2 M_{GT}|^2$  : the nuclear matrix elements. They need to be computed theoretically.

Example: **QD** ( $m_1 \sim m_2 \sim m_3$ ):  $44 \text{ meV} < |\langle m \rangle| < m_1$

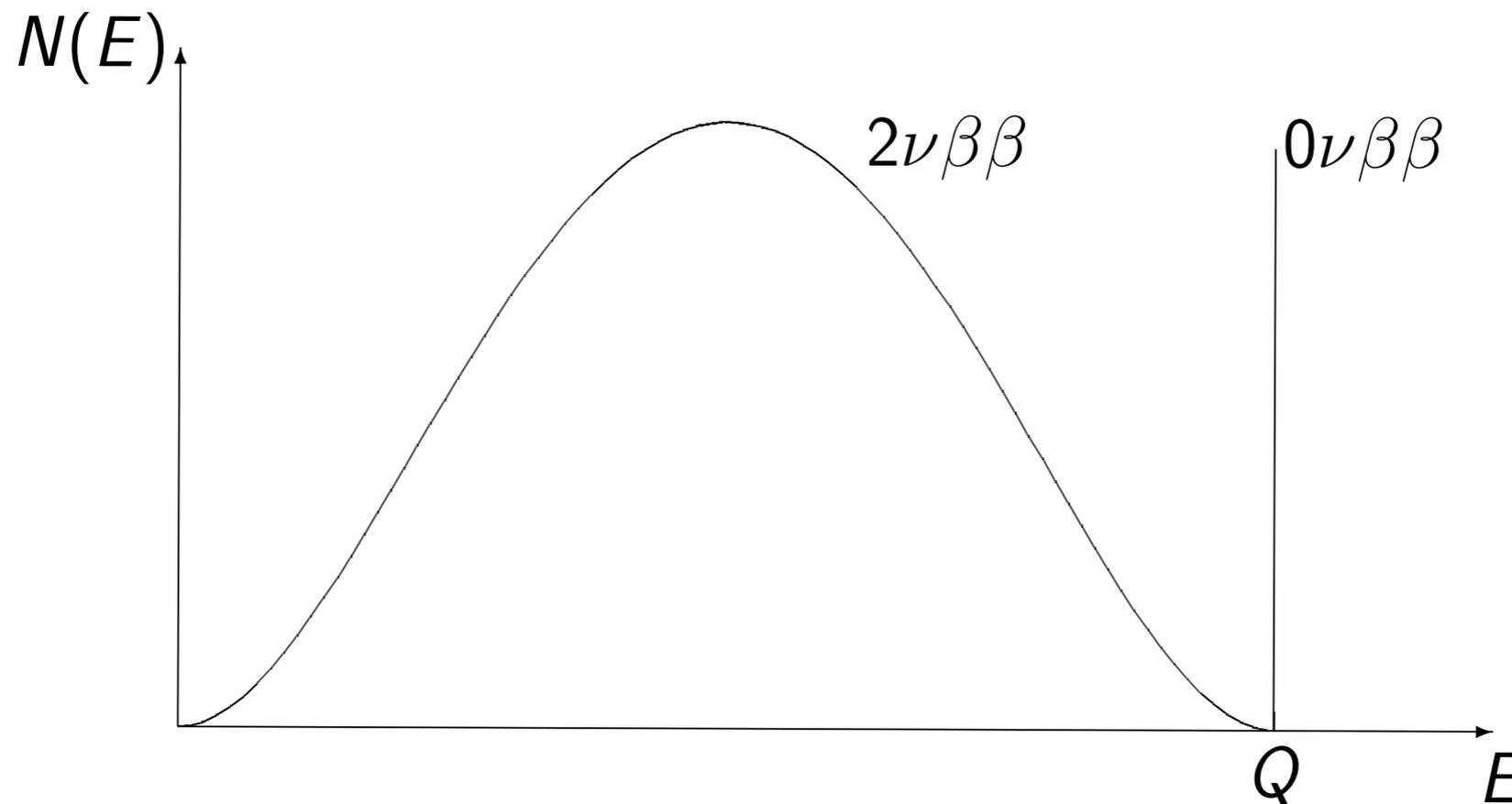
$$|\langle m \rangle| \simeq m_{\bar{\nu}_e} \left| \left( \cos^2 \theta_{\odot} + \sin^2 \theta_{\odot} e^{i\alpha_{21}} \right) \cos^2 \theta_{13} + \sin^2 \theta_{13} e^{i\alpha_{31}} \right|$$



**Wide experimental program** for the future: **a positive signal would indicate that L is violated!**

# Experimental searches of betabeta decay

One looks for a tiny peak at the end point of the 2-electron spectrum in the decay.

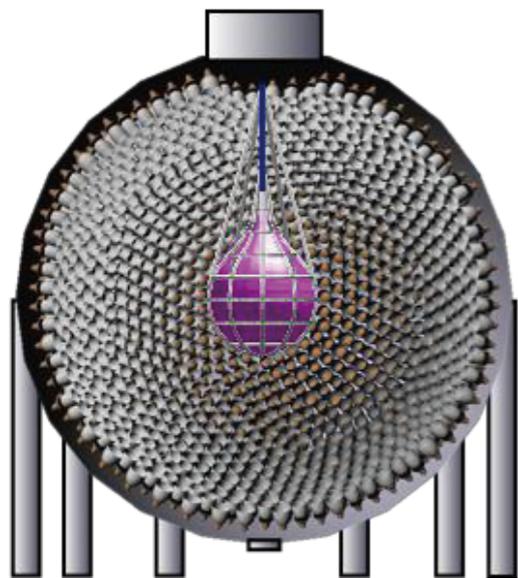
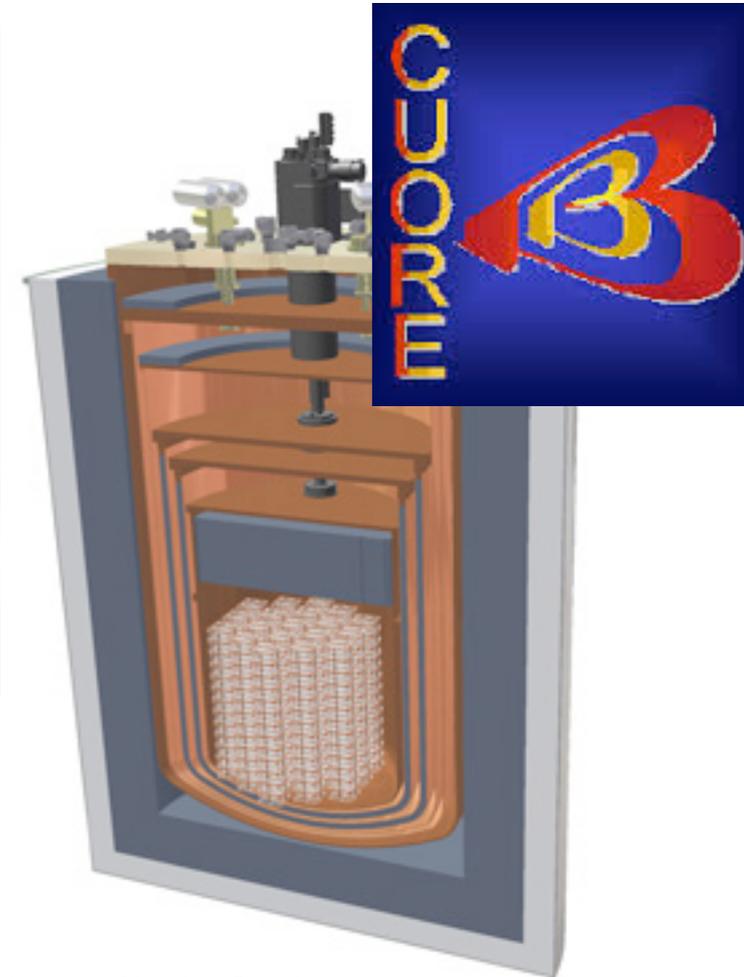


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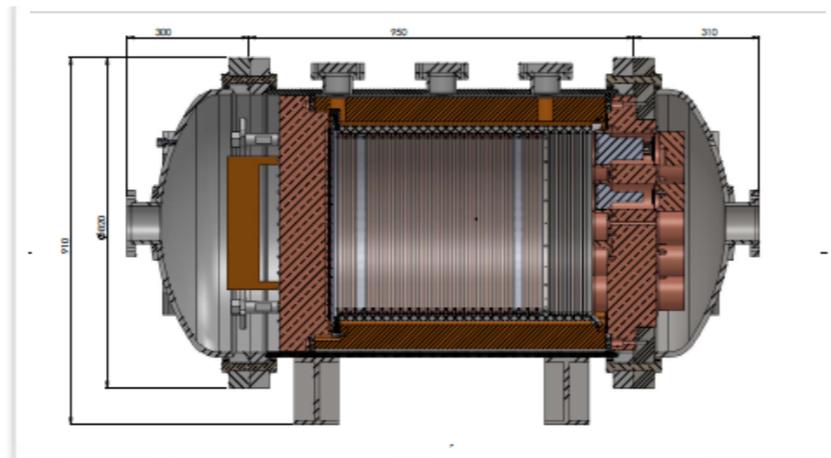
- Rare process -> large mass
- low backgrounds -> deep underground
- $2\nu\beta\beta$  background -> excellent energy resolution



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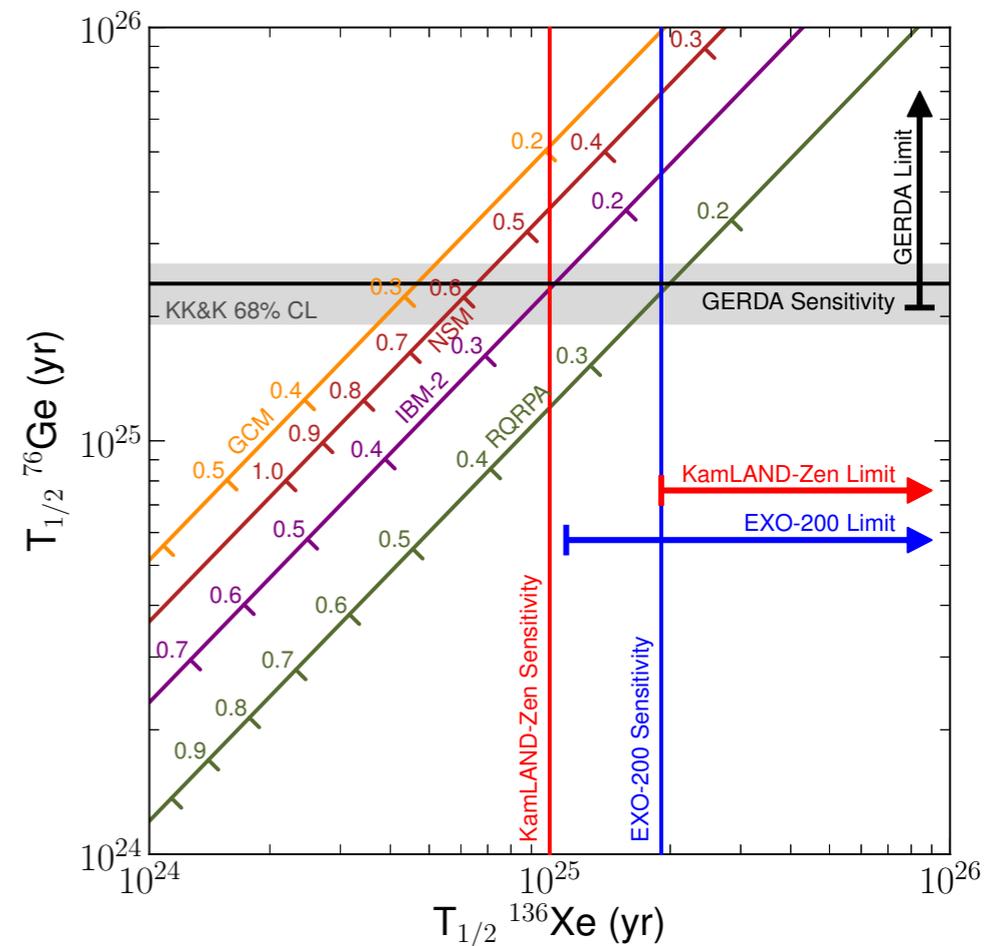
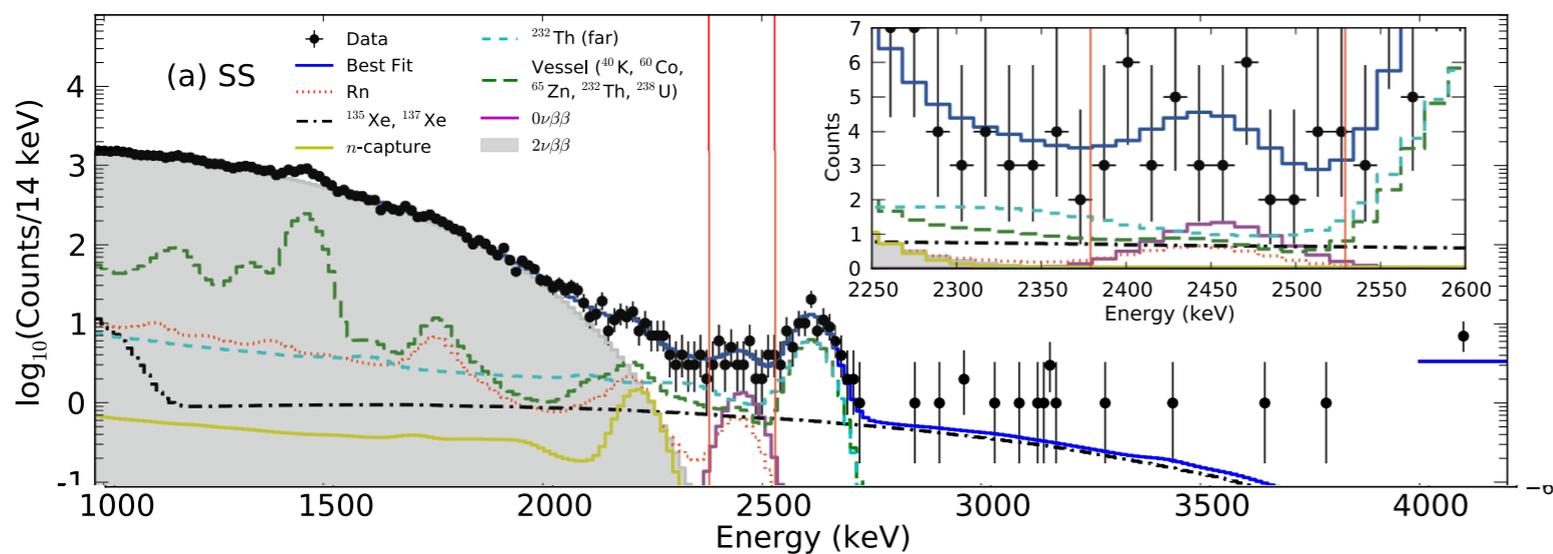
KamLAND-Zen



EXO-200 Nature 510 (2014) 229.

NEXT  
5ton of Xe  
now 10 kg

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Experiment	Isotope(s)	Technique	Main characteristics
NEMO-3	Mo100+6other	Tracking + calorimeter	Bckg rejection, isotope choice,
SuperNEMO	Se82, Nd150,	Tracking + calorimeter	Bckg rejection, isotope choice,
CUORE	Te130	Bolometers	Energy resolution, efficiency
LUCIFER	Se82	Scintillating bolometers	Energy resolution, efficiency
AMoRE	Mo100	Scintillating bolometers	Energy resolution, efficiency
GERDA	Ge76	Ge diodes	Energy resolution, efficiency
Majorana	Ge76	Ge diodes	Energy resolution, efficiency
COBRA	Te130, Cd116	CdZnTe semi-conductors	Efficiency, particle ID
EXO	Xe136	TPC ionisation + scintil.	Mass, efficiency, particle ID
MOON	Mo100	Tracking + calorimeter	Compactness, Bckg rejection
CANDLES	Ca48	CaF	Efficiency, Active background
SNO+	Te130	Te loaded liquid scintillator	Mass, efficiency
XMASS	Xe136	Liquid Xe	Mass, efficiency
CARVEL	Ca48	CaWO4 scintillating	Mass, efficiency
Yangyang	Sn124	Sn loaded liquid scintillator	Mass, efficiency
DCBA	Nd150	Gaseous TPC	Bckg rejection
KamLAND-Zen	Xe136	Xenon balloon	Mass, efficiency
NEXT	Xe136	Gaseous TPC	Bckg rejection, efficiency

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The new generation of experiments is already taking data (EXO, KamLAND-ZEN, CUORE, GERDA,...) and more powerful ones are planned (e.g., NExT, SNO+, SuperNEMO, Majorana,...)!!

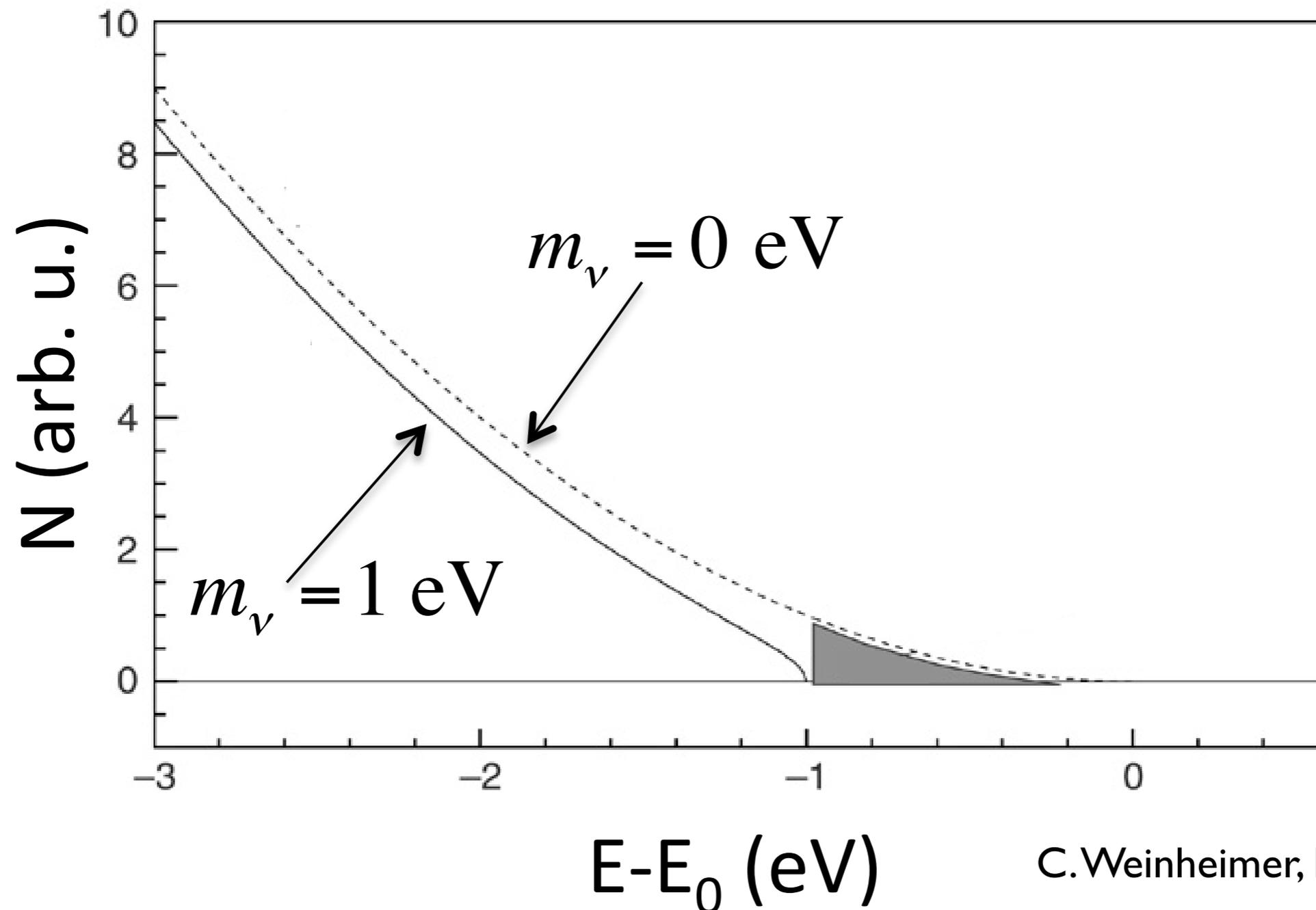
# Absolute values of neutrino masses

Neutrino oscillations are not sensitive to the absolute mass scale. However, via matter effects they can establish the mass ordering.

- **Direct mass searches** in beta decays: model-independent but feasible only for QD spectrum.
- **Neutrinoless double beta decay**: if dominant mechanism is light neutrino masses.
- Neutrino masses from **cosmology** by probing the DM distribution (observing the distribution of biased tracers and/or gravitational lensing)

# Direct mass measurements

The electron spectrum in beta decays is affected close to the end point by neutrino masses as

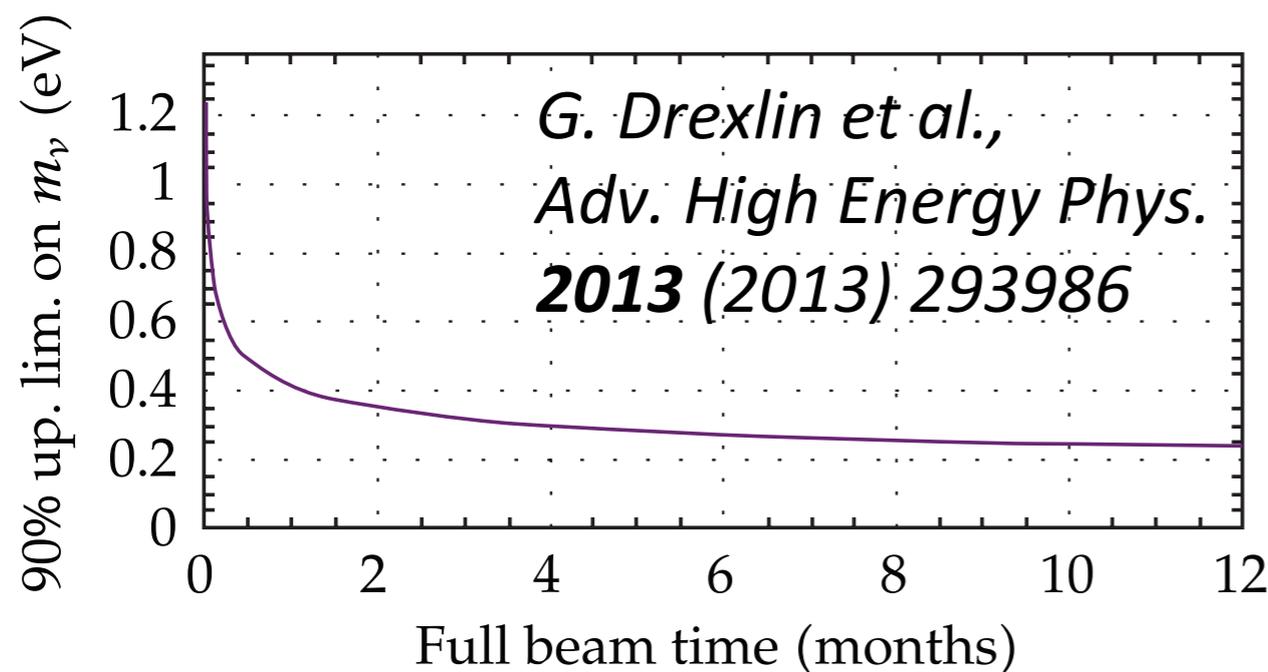
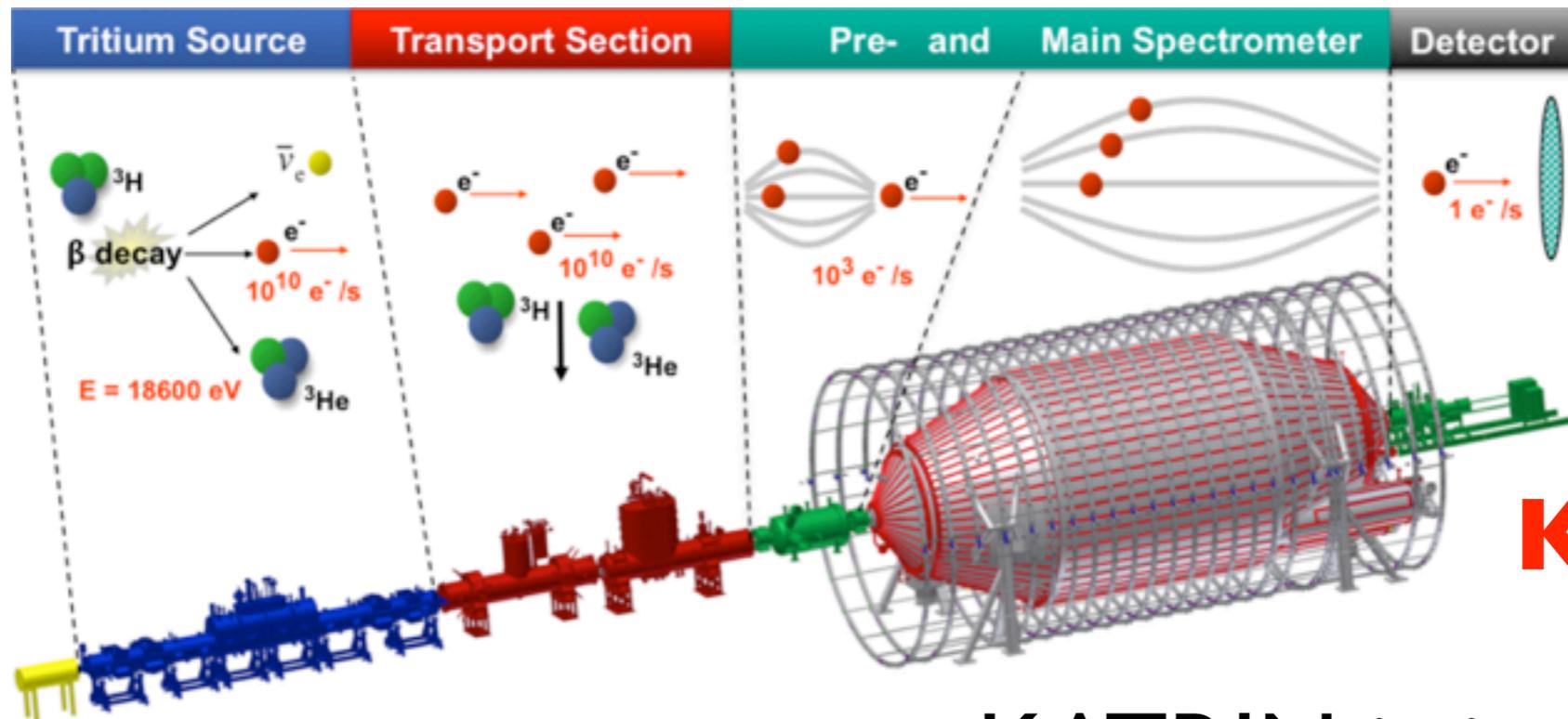


# Troitsk and Mainz provide the most stringent limit:

$$m_0 < 2.3 \text{ eV} \quad (\text{at 95\% CL}) \quad m_0 < 2.05 \text{ eV}$$

Kraus et al., EPJC 40

Aseev et al., PRD 84

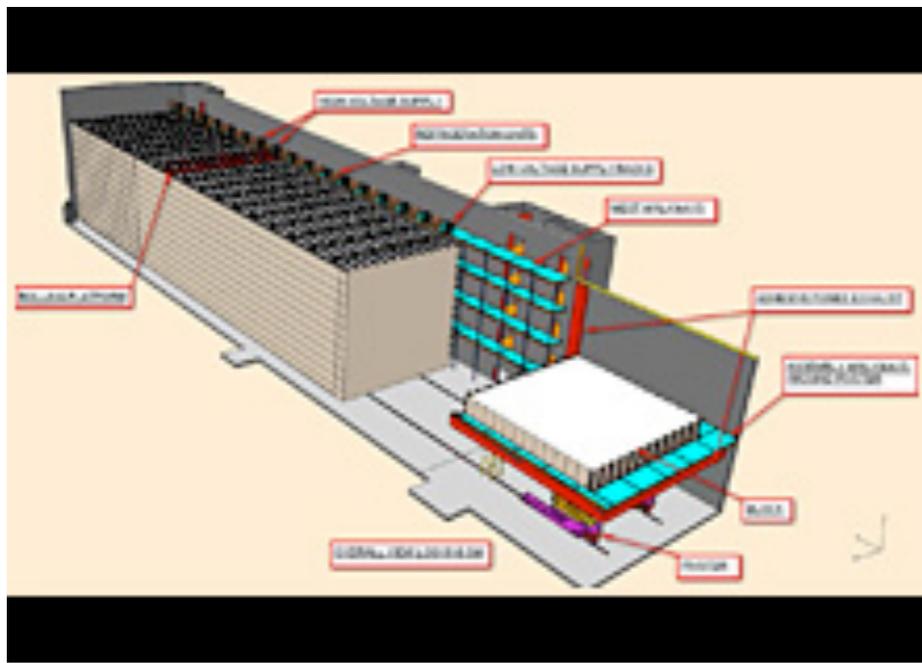


KATRIN is in the commissioning phase. Data taking will start in 2016. It will reach a sensitivity to  $m < 0.2$  eV and a 5-sigma discovery of  $m = 0.35$  eV.

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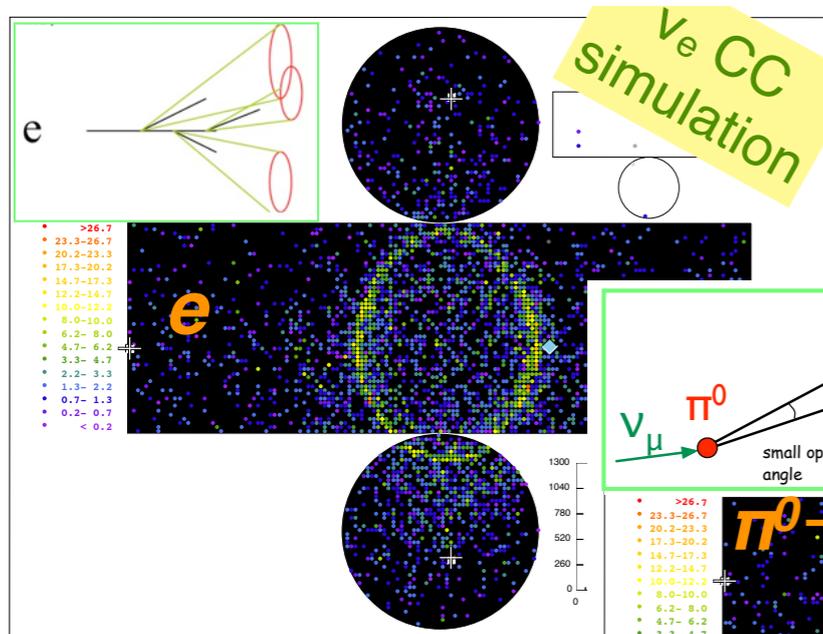
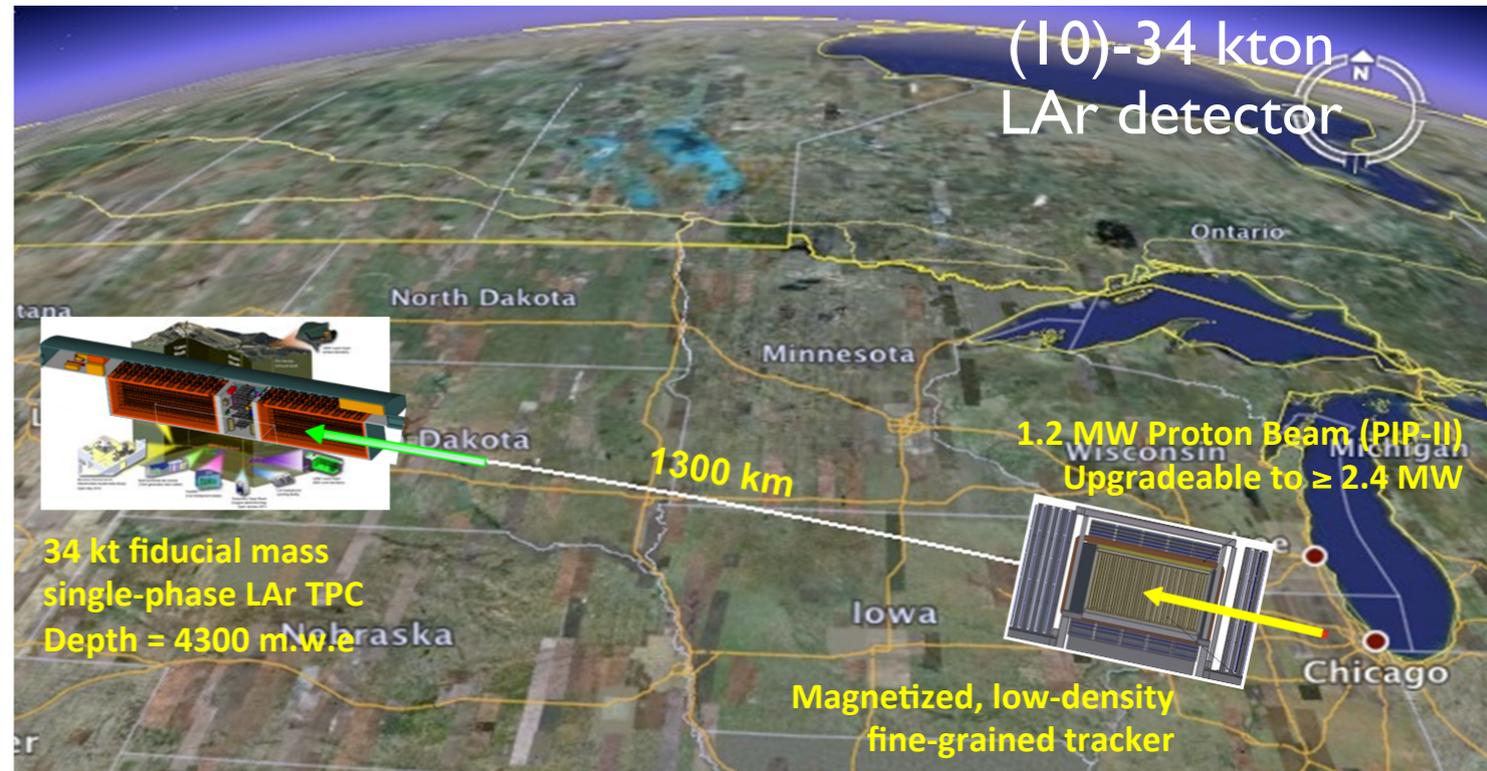
- **Long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiments**
  - **Reactor neutrinos**
  - **Atmospheric neutrinos**
- **Neutrinoless double beta decay**
  - **Daedalus...**



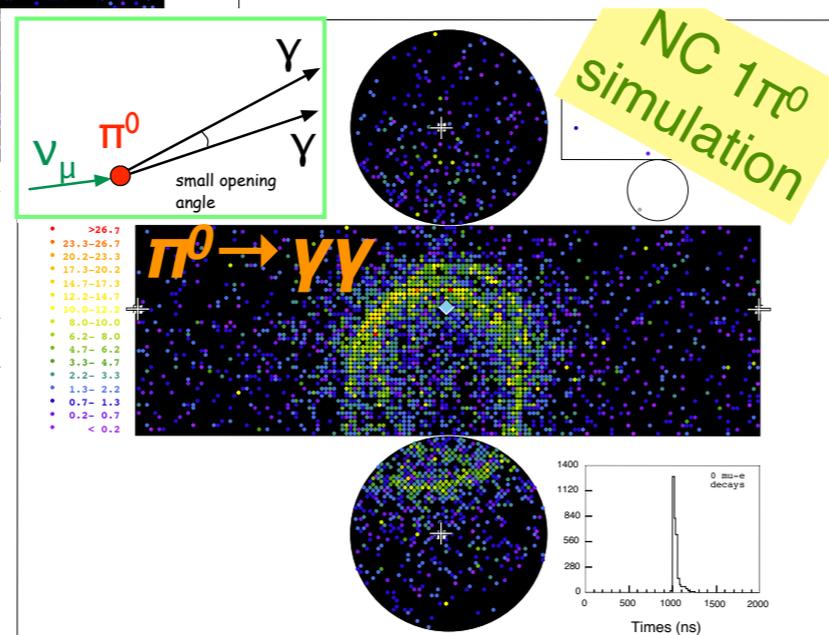
**NOvA:** 810 km off-axis  
 ~14 kton plastic scintillator detector  
**T2K:** 295 km off-axis  
 ~22.5 kton WC detector

# Future LBL exp

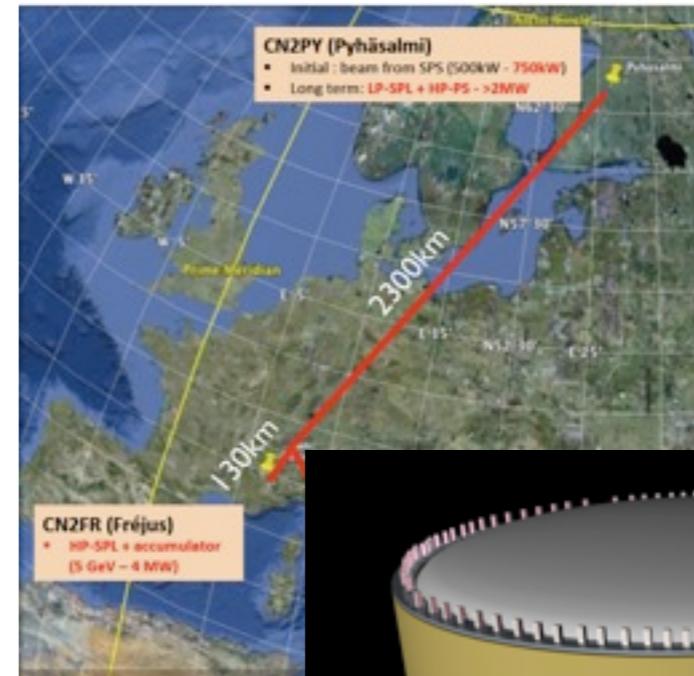
**ELBNF:** 1300 km on-axis  
 (10)-34 kton LAr detector



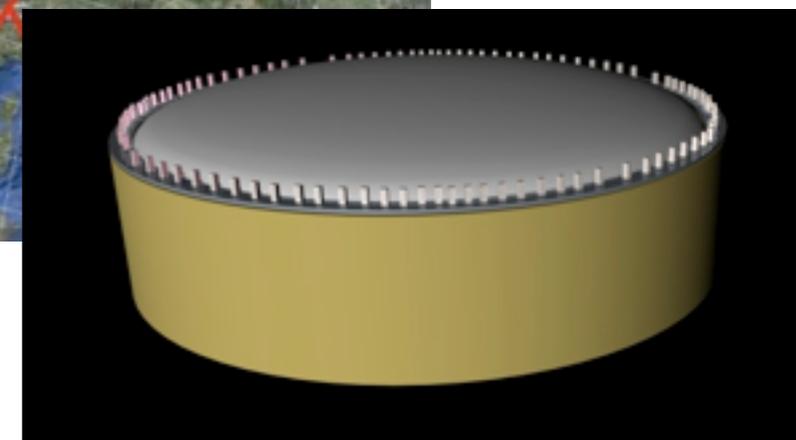
**T2HK:** 295 km off-axis  
 ~1 Mton WC detector



M. Shiozawa, for T2HK coll., NuPhys 2014

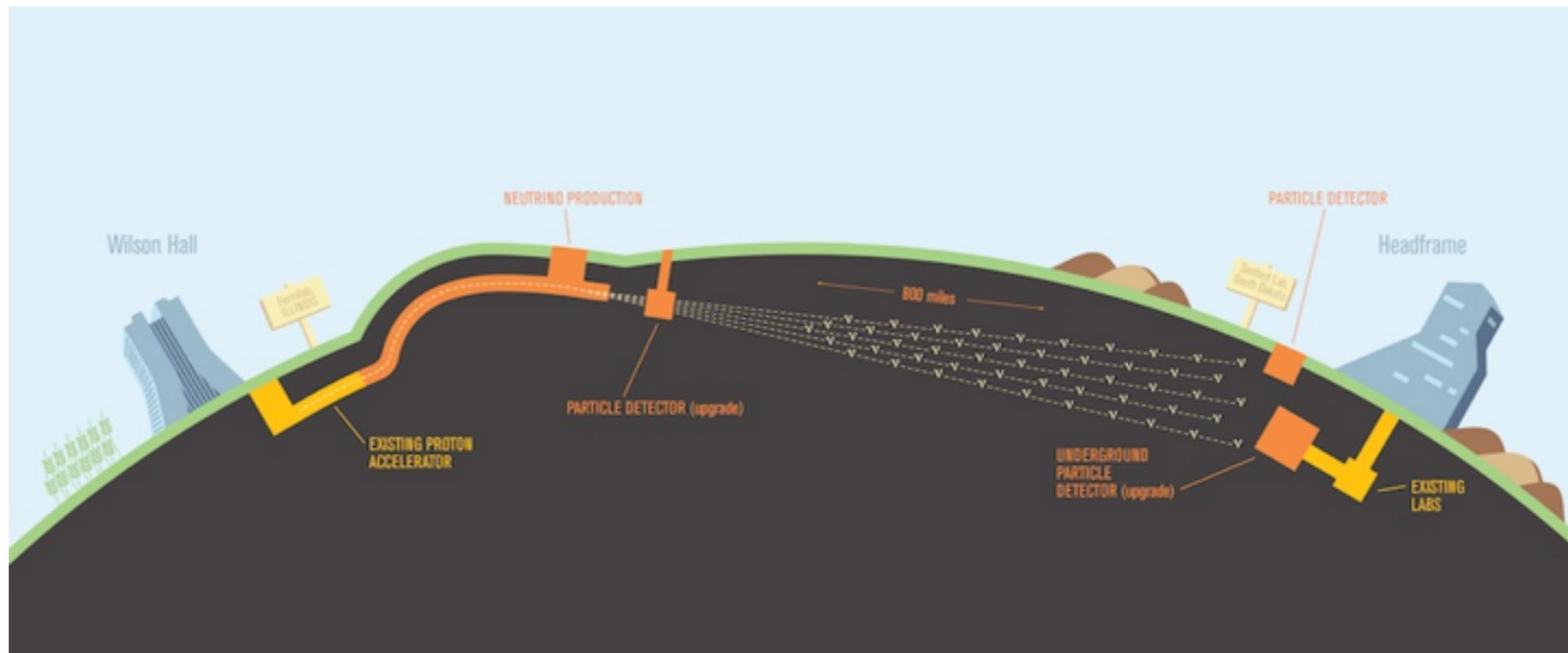


**LAGUNA-LBNO:** 2300 km on-axis  
 24-70 kton LAr detector



# Long-baseline oscillations and MO

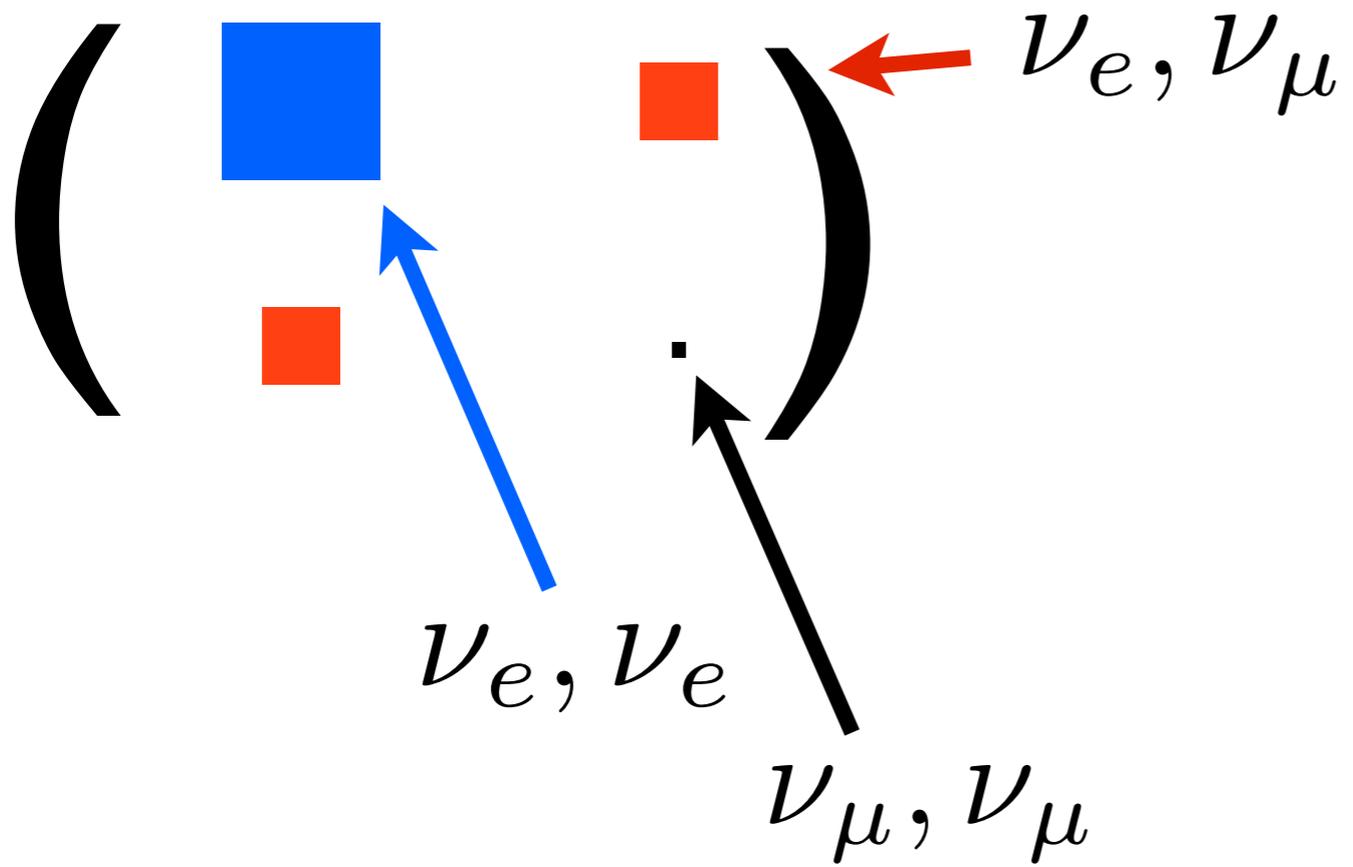
- When neutrinos travel through a medium, they interact with the background of e, p, n and get an **effective mass**.



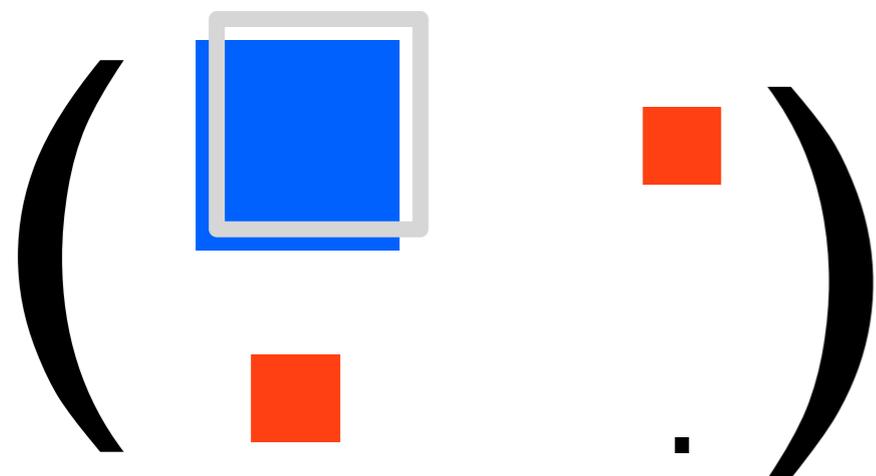
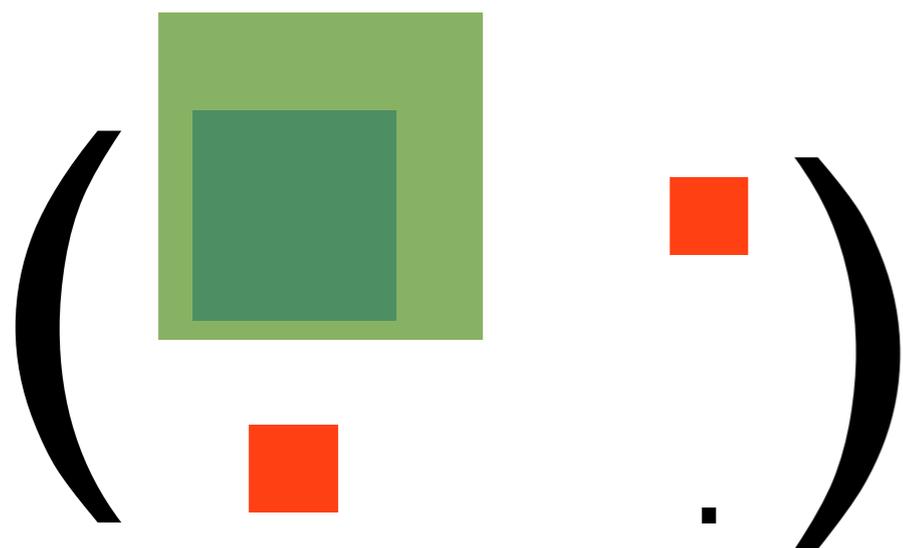
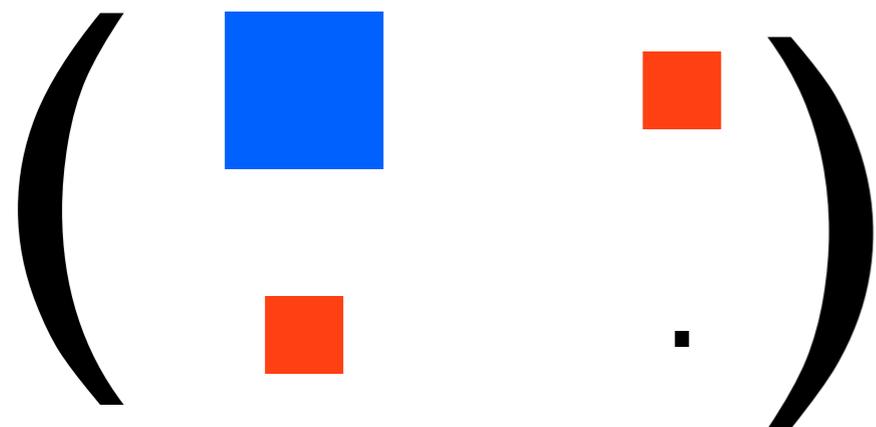
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- Typically the background is CP and CPT violating, e.g. the Earth and the Sun contain only electrons, protons and neutrons, and the resulting oscillations are CP and CPT violating (**different for neutrinos and antineutrinos**).

# Propagation Hamiltonian in the flavour basis



# Propagation Hamiltonian



# Mixing angle

vacuum

$$\tan 2\theta \sim \frac{\text{red square}}{\text{blue square}}$$

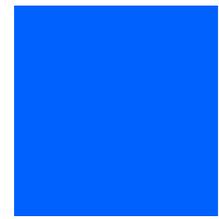
matter suppression (Sun, SN)

$$\tan 2\theta^M \sim \frac{\text{red square}}{\text{blue square} + \text{green square}} \ll \tan 2\theta$$

MSW resonance (Sun, SN)

$$\tan 2\theta^M \sim \frac{\text{red square}}{\text{blue square} - \text{white square}} \sim \infty$$

# In long baseline experiments



$$\frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} \cos(2\theta)$$



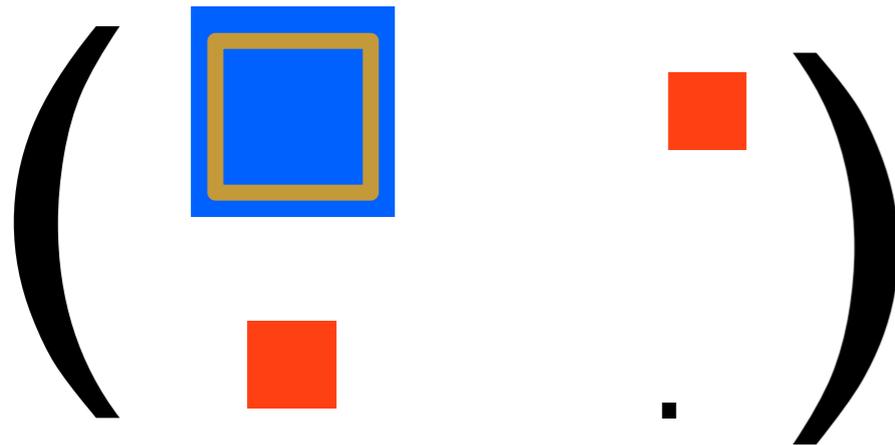
$$-\sqrt{2}G_F N_e$$



$$+\sqrt{2}G_F N_e$$

$$P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e} = \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13}^m \sin^2 \frac{\Delta_{13}^m L}{2}$$

## For neutrinos

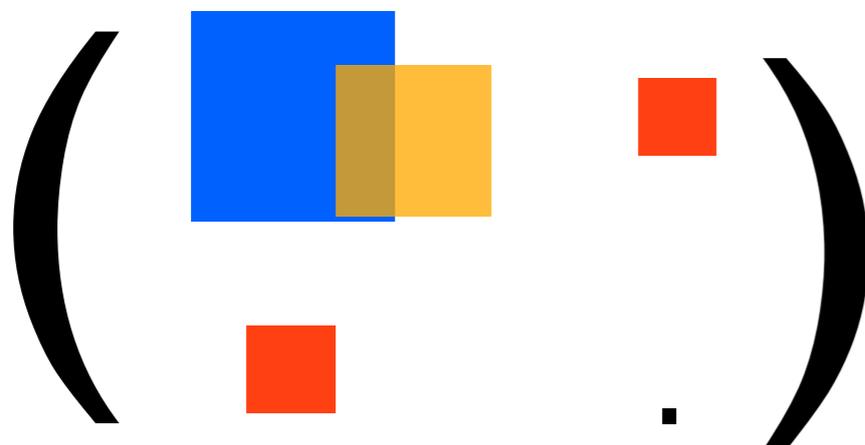


$$\Delta m^2 > 0$$

P enhancement

$$\tan 2\theta^M \sim \frac{\text{red square}}{\text{blue square} - \text{yellow square}}$$

## For antineutrinos



$$\Delta m^2 > 0$$

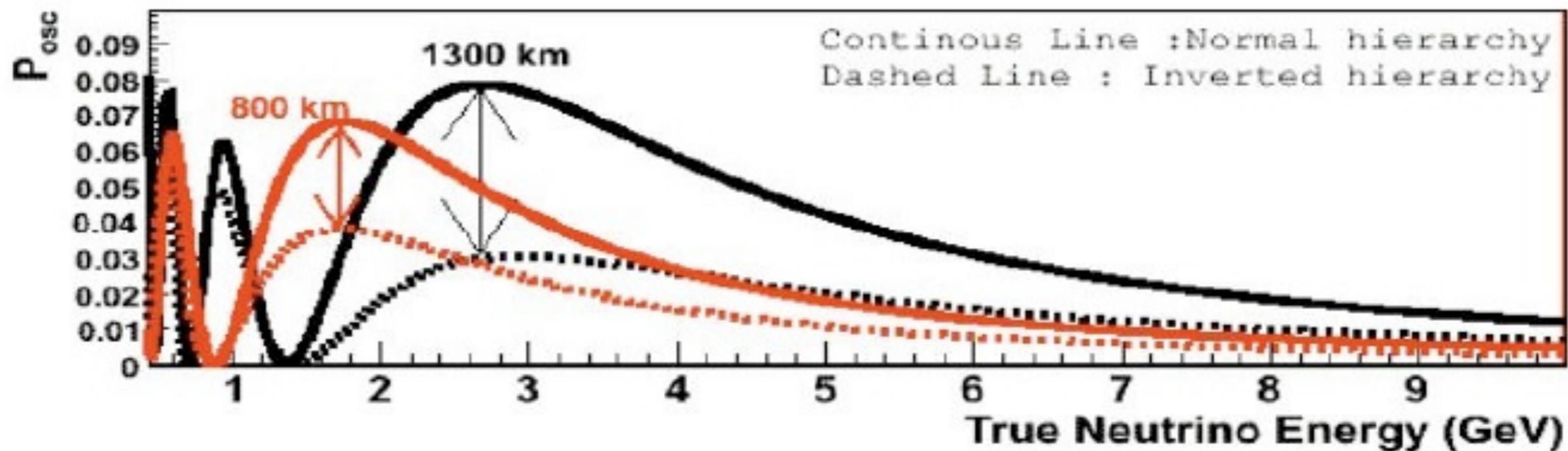
P suppression

$$\tan 2\theta^M \sim \frac{\text{red square}}{\text{blue square} + \text{yellow square}}$$

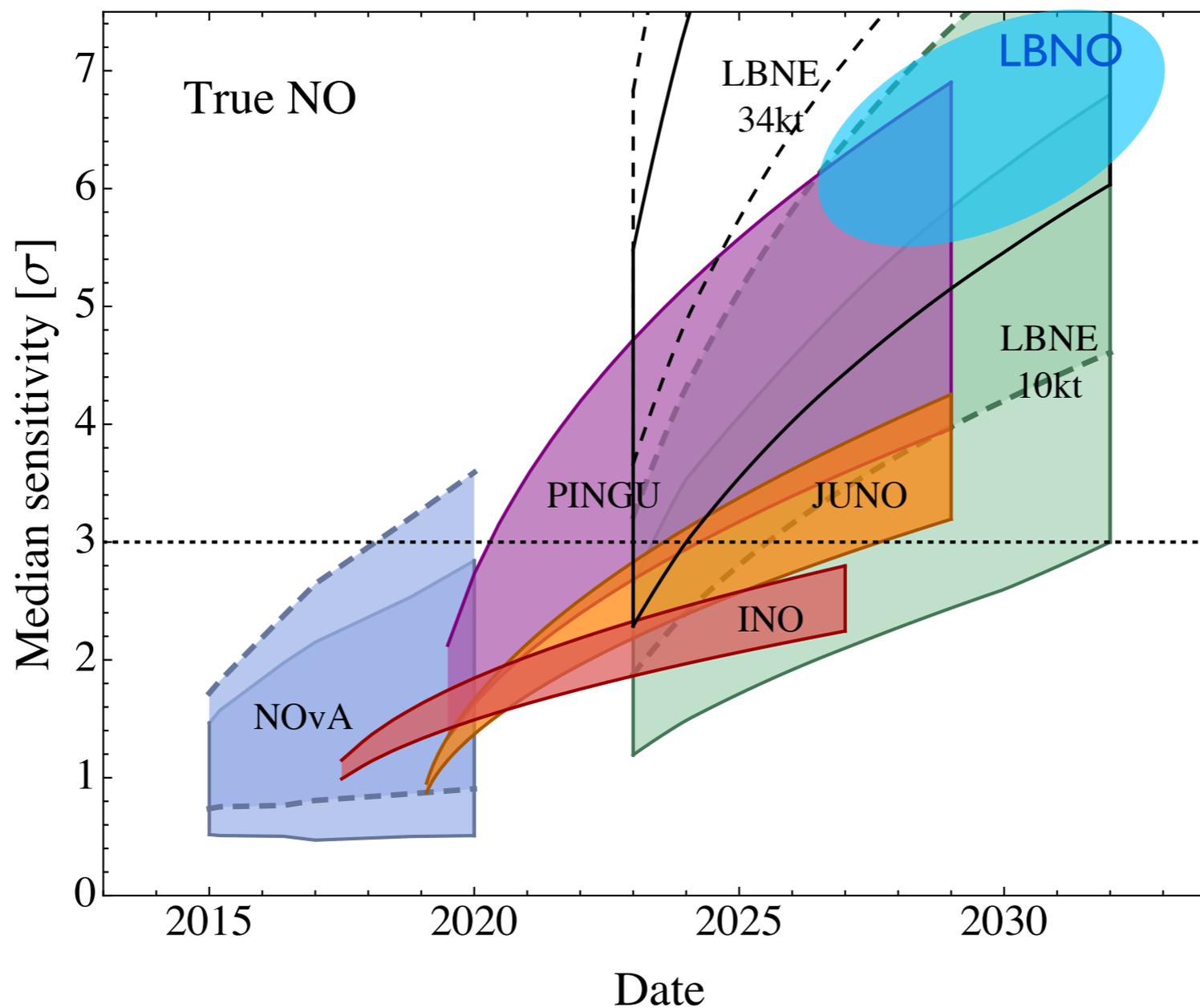
Matter effects modify the oscillation probability in LBL experiments.

The probability enhancement happens for

- neutrinos if  $\Delta m^2 > 0$
- antineutrinos if  $\Delta m^2 < 0$



Matter effects are stronger at high energies and at longer baselines.



Blennow, Coloma,  
Huber, Schwetz,  
1311.1822

	Long baseline beam (e. g. LBNE)	Atmospheric (e. g. PINGU)	Reactor long baseline
Benefit	Robust, clean signal	Predictable timescale/cost	Independent technology
Risk (osc. params.)	$\delta_{CP}, \theta_{23}$	$\theta_{23}$	-
Challenges	Timescale	Energy res., directional res., particle ID	Energy resolution!!!

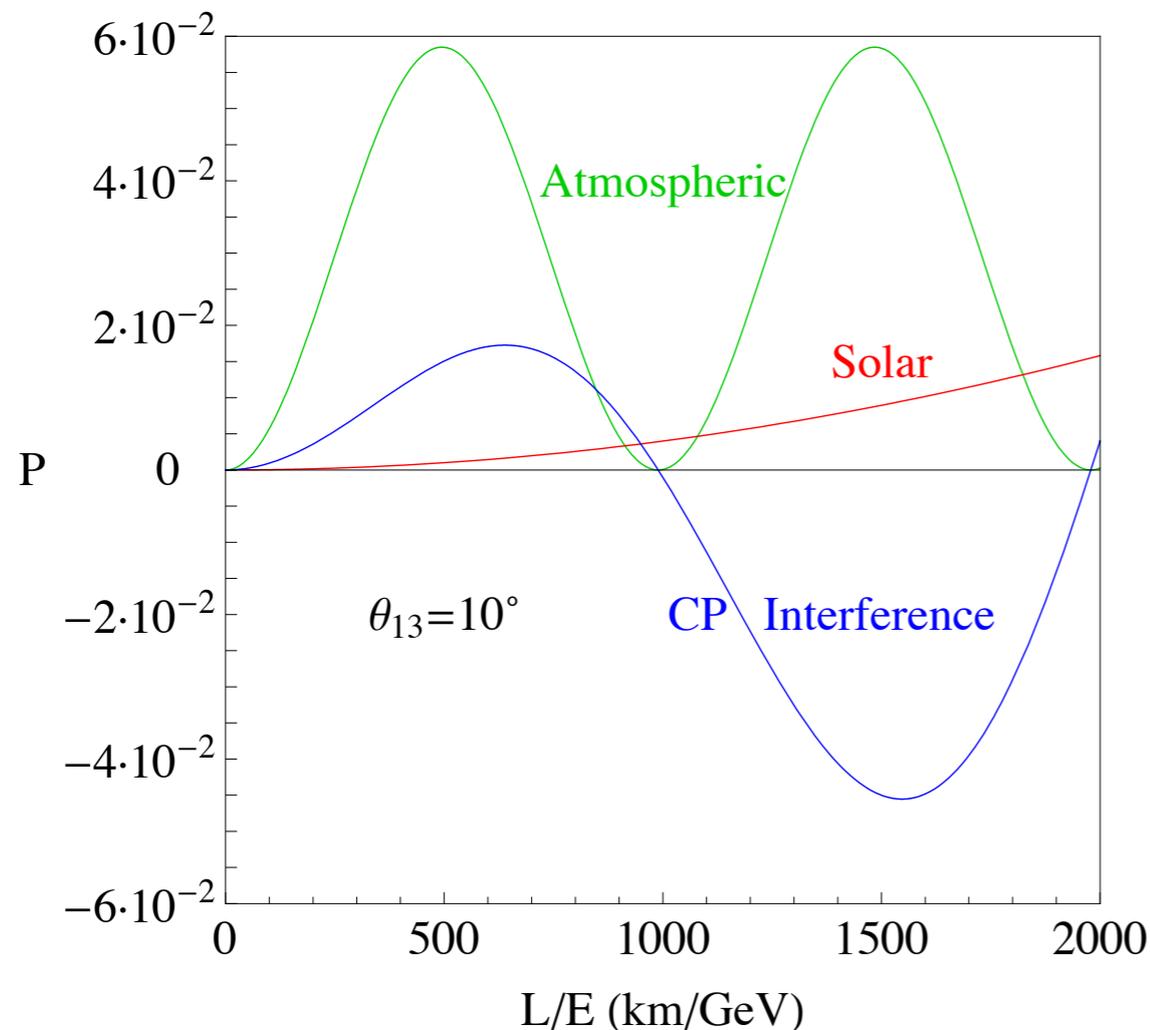
From  
W. Winter's  
talk at  
Neutrino  
2014

# CP-violation in LBL experiments

CP-violation will manifest itself in neutrino oscillations:

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e; t) - P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e; t) =$$

$$= 4s_{12}c_{12}s_{13}c_{13}^2s_{23}c_{23}\sin\delta \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{23}^2 L}{2E}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{2E}\right) \right]$$



- Large  $\theta_{13}$  makes its searches possible but not ideal.
- Degeneracies with the mass hierarchy.
- CPV effects are more pronounced at low energy.

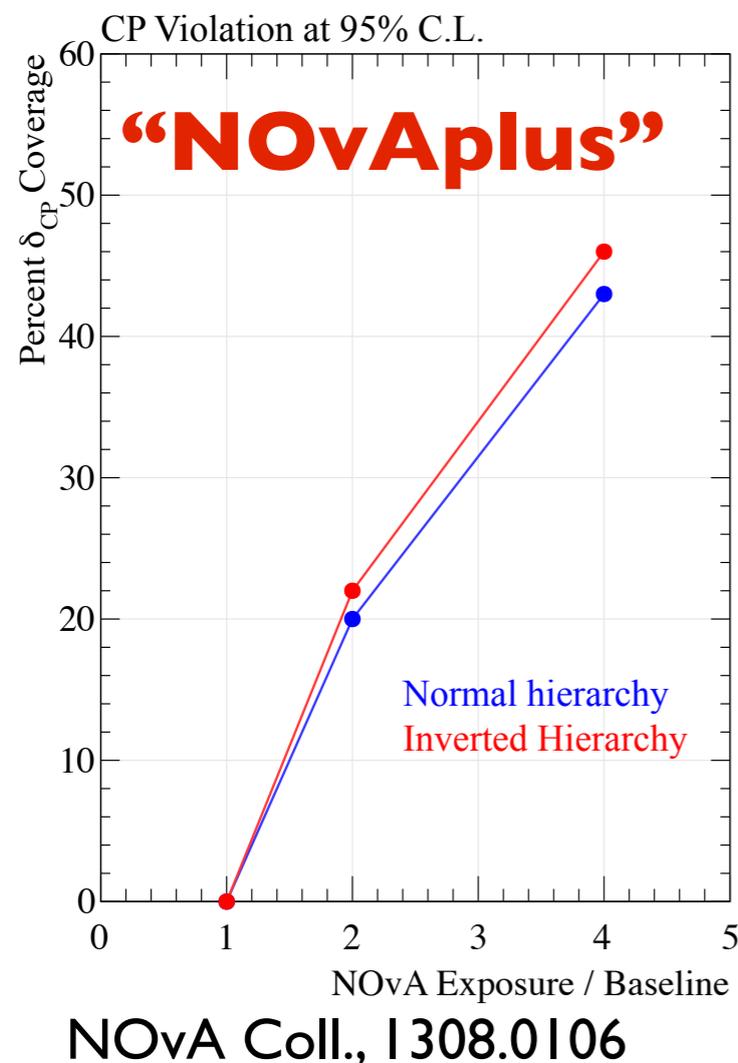
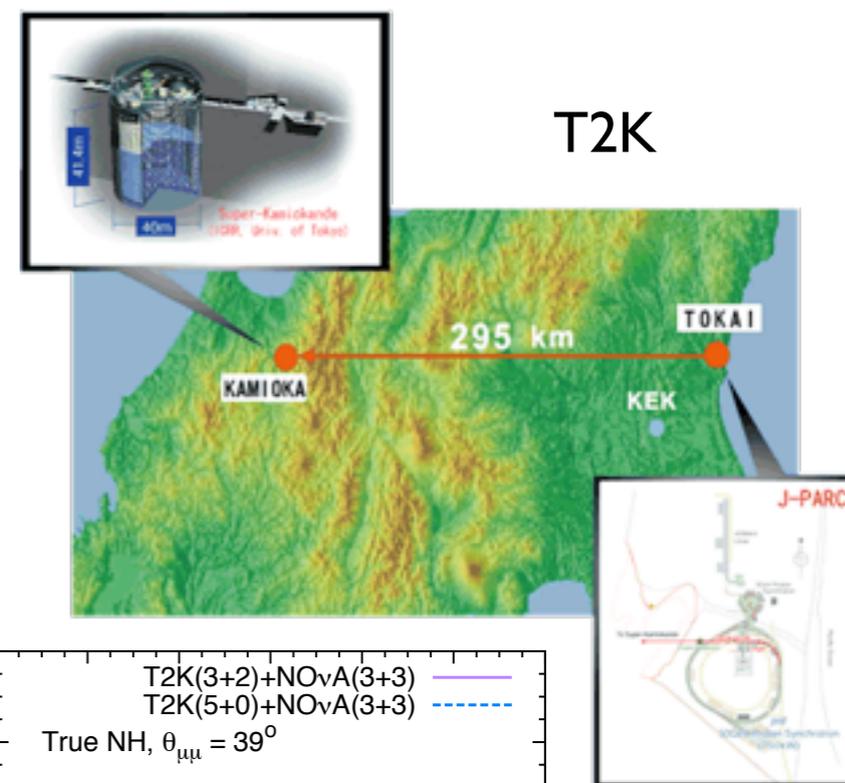
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# CPV Searches

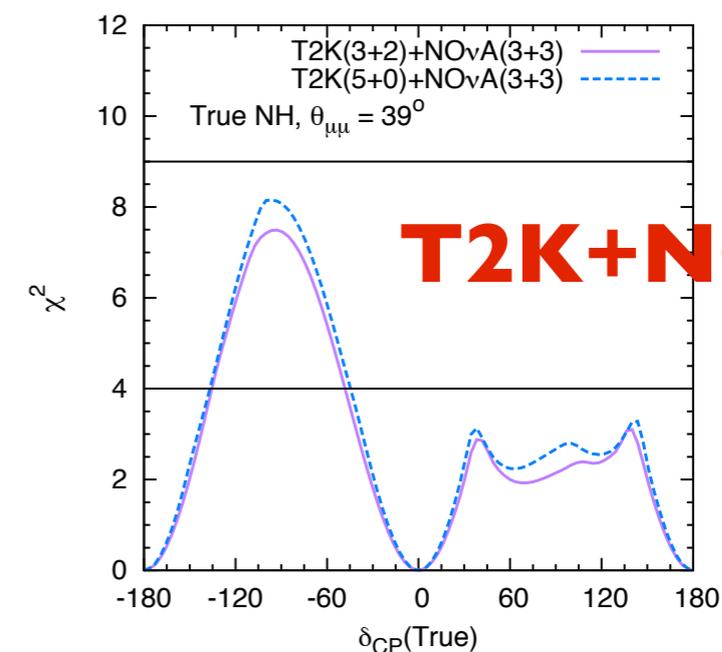
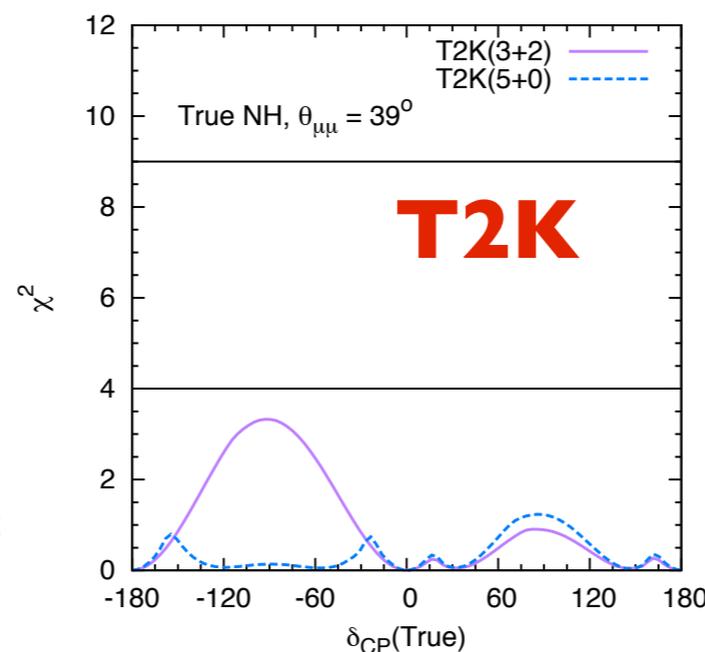
Near future: T2K and NOvA. Marginal sensitivity to CPV

Category	Experiment	Status	Oscillation parameters
Accelerator	MINOS+ [74]	Data-taking	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	T2K [21]	Data-taking	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	NOvA [108]	Commissioning	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	RADAR [76]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	CHIPS [75]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	LBNE [87]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	Hyper-K [97]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	LBNO [109]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	ESS $\nu$ SB [110]	Design/ R&D	MH/CP/octant
Accelerator	DAE $\delta$ ALUS [111]	Design/ R&D	CP

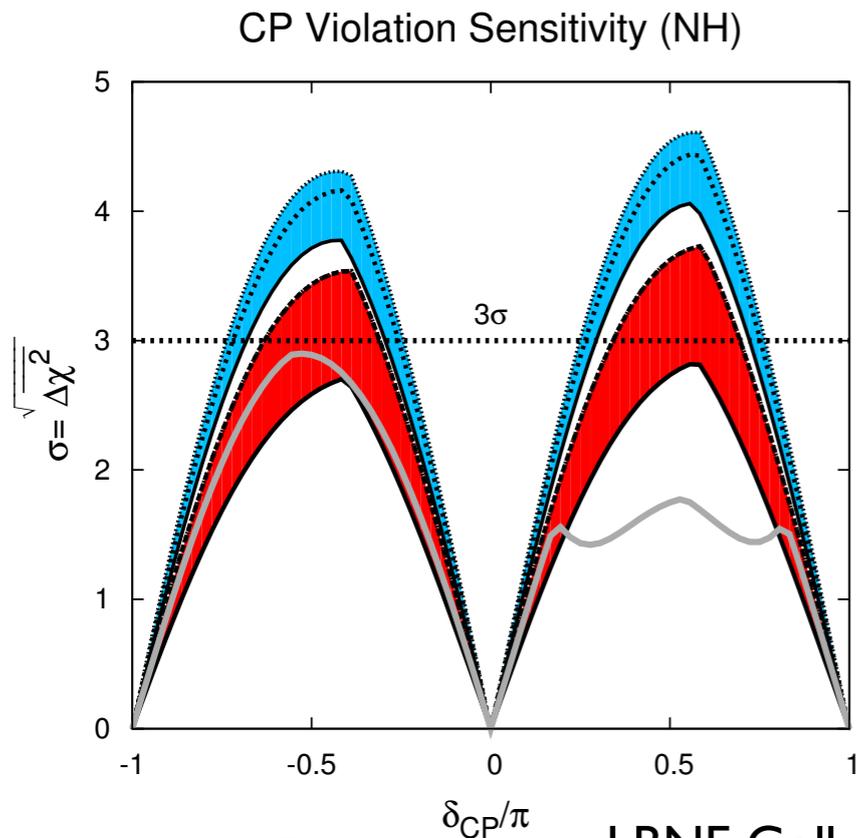
WG Report: Neutrinos, de Gouvea (Convener) et al., 1310.4340



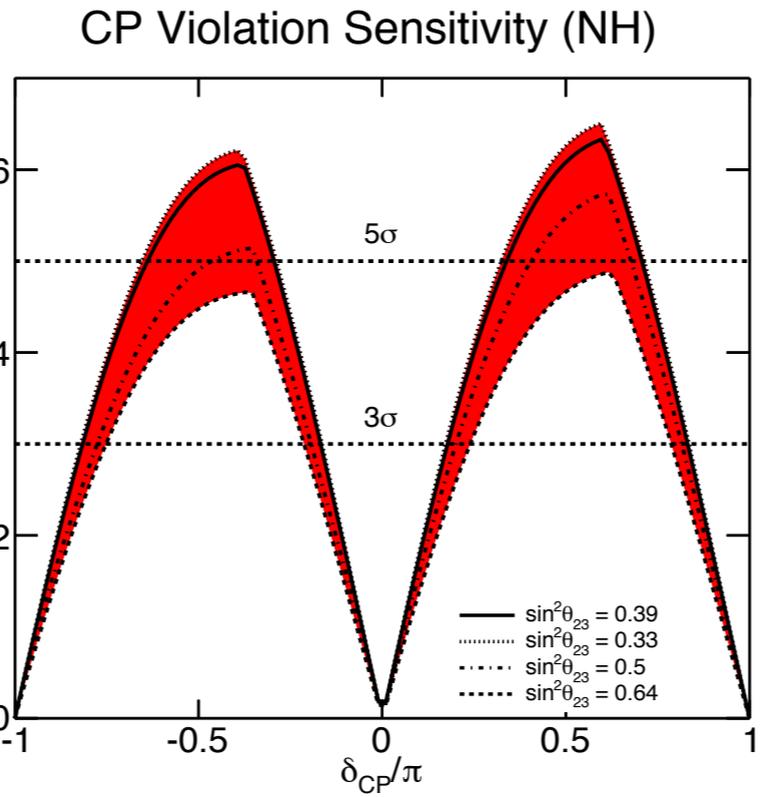
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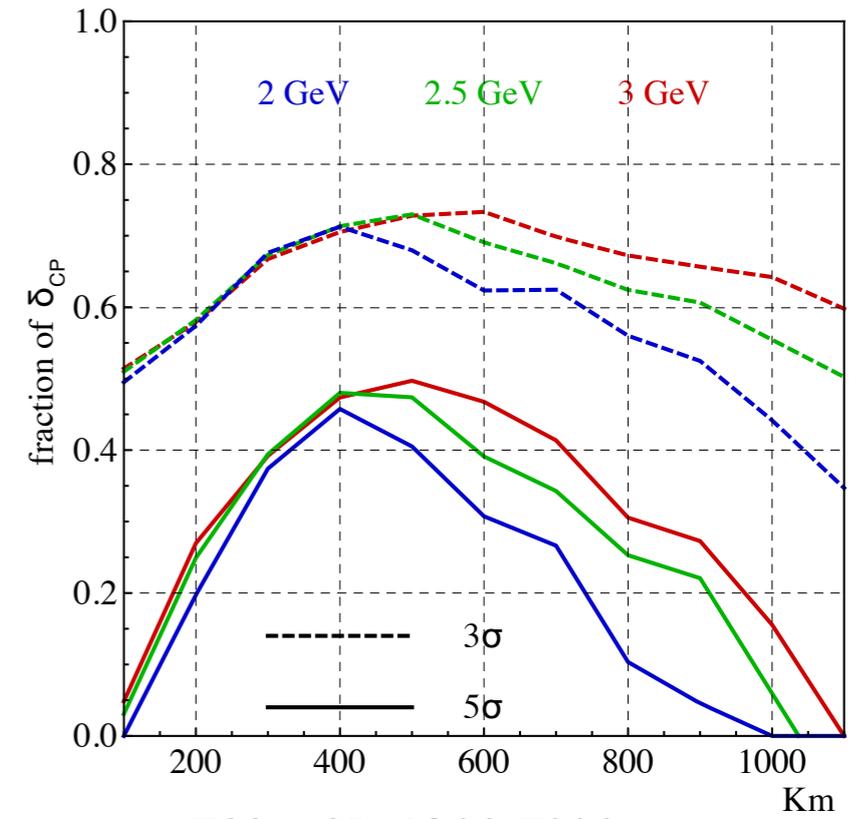
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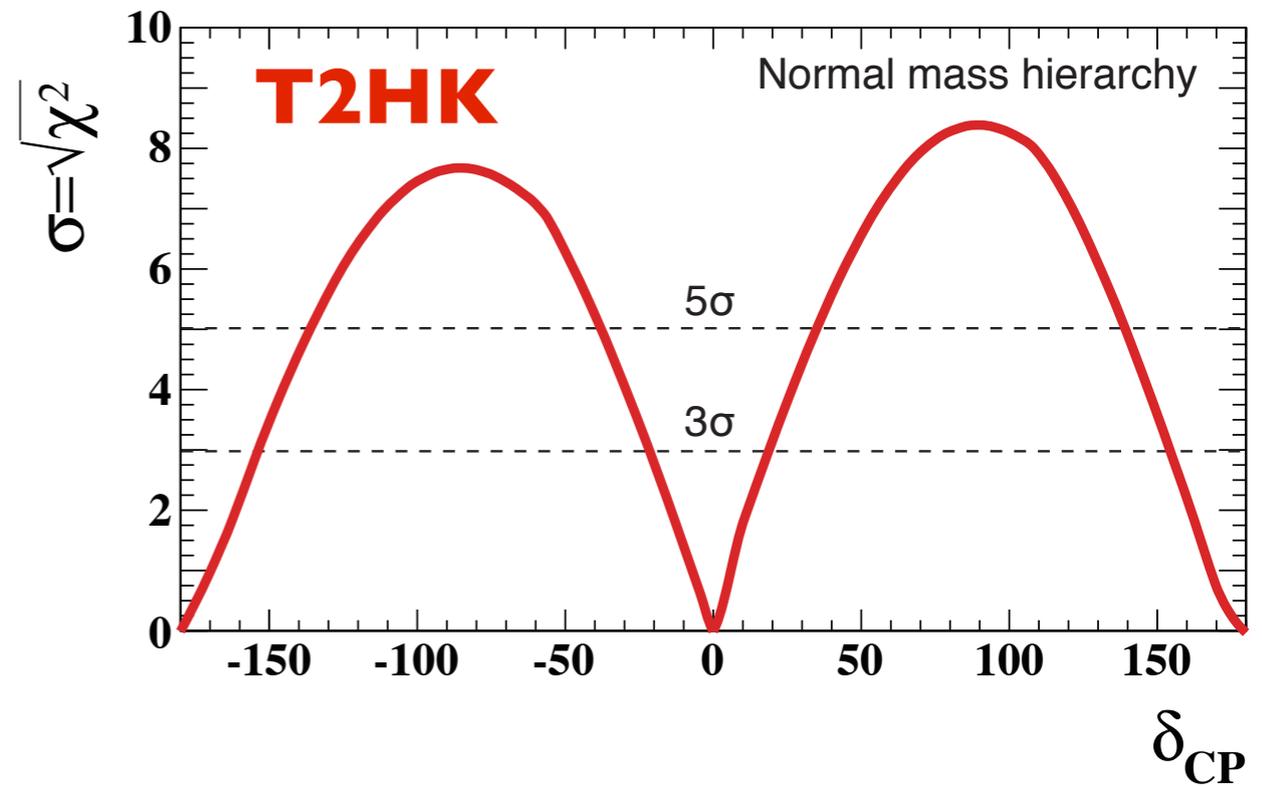
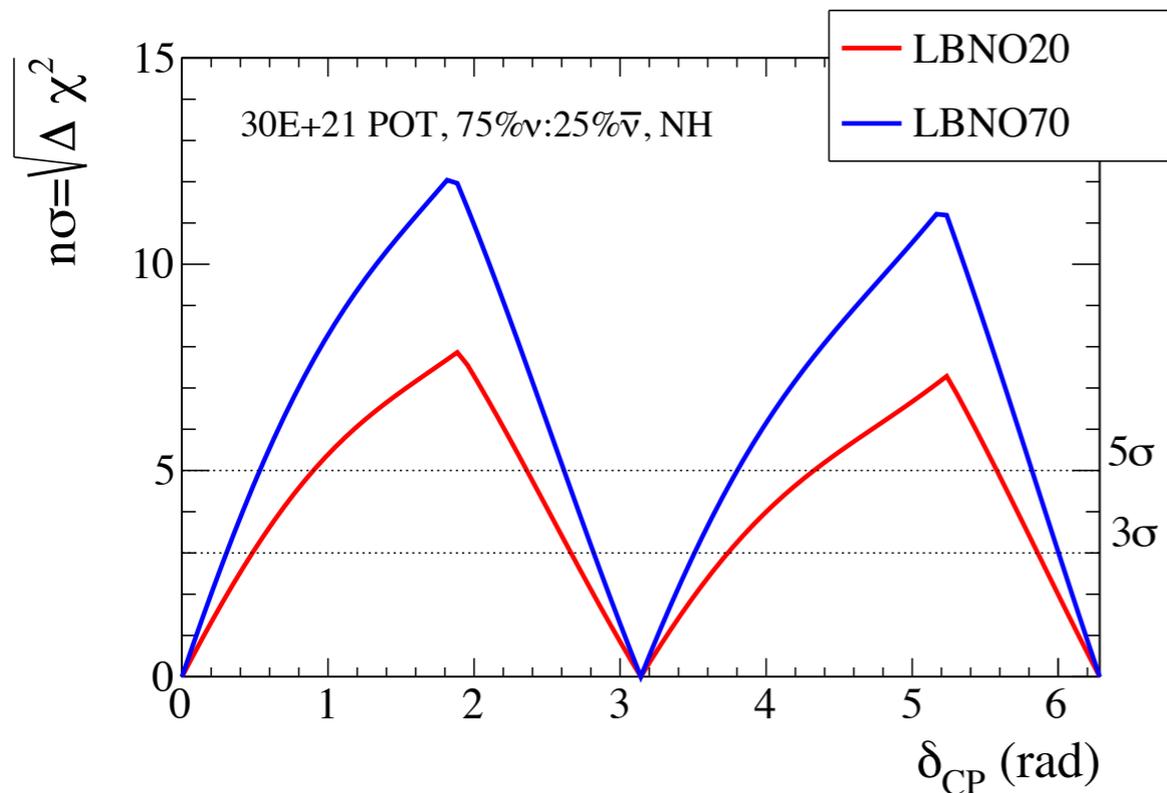
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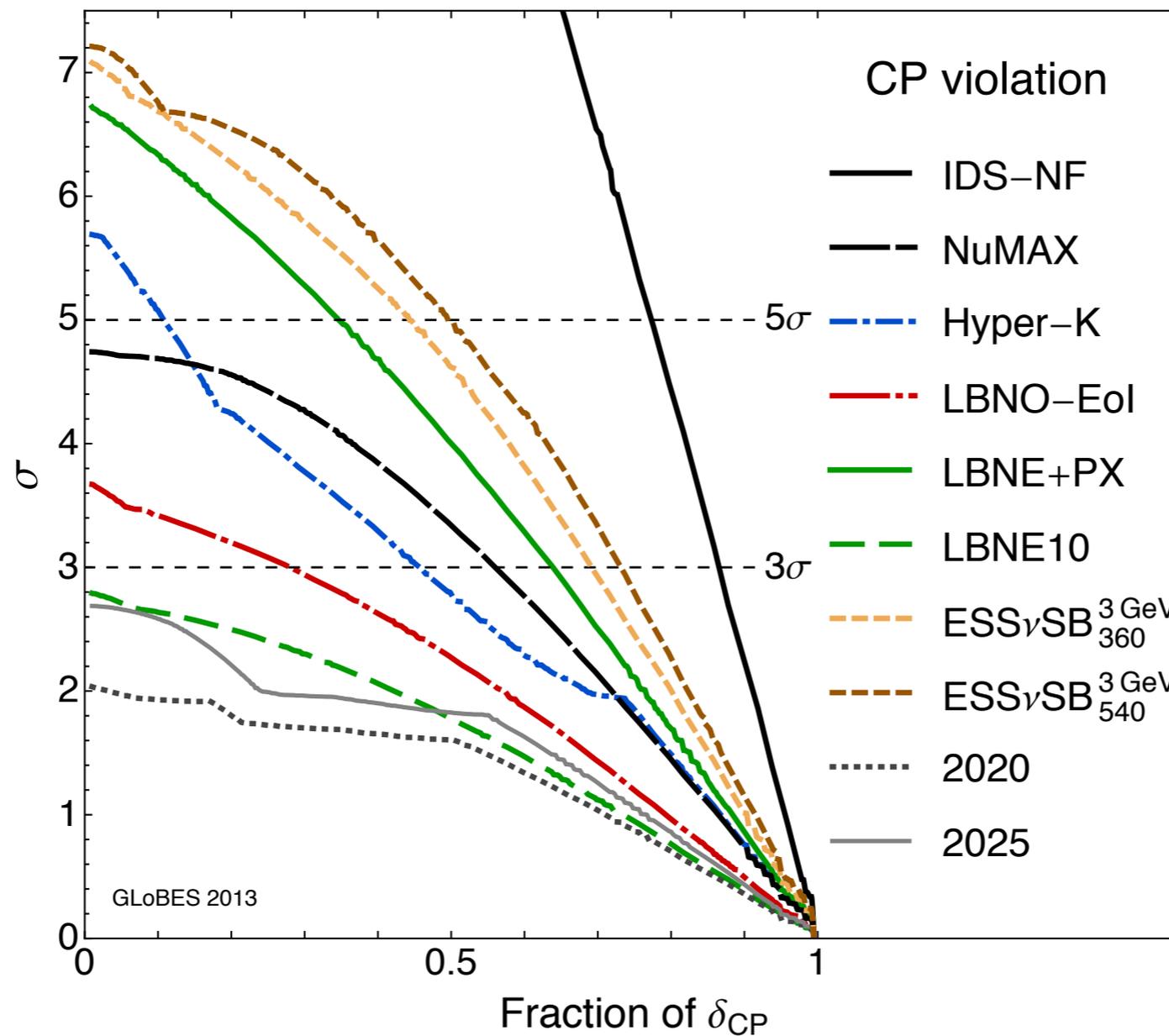
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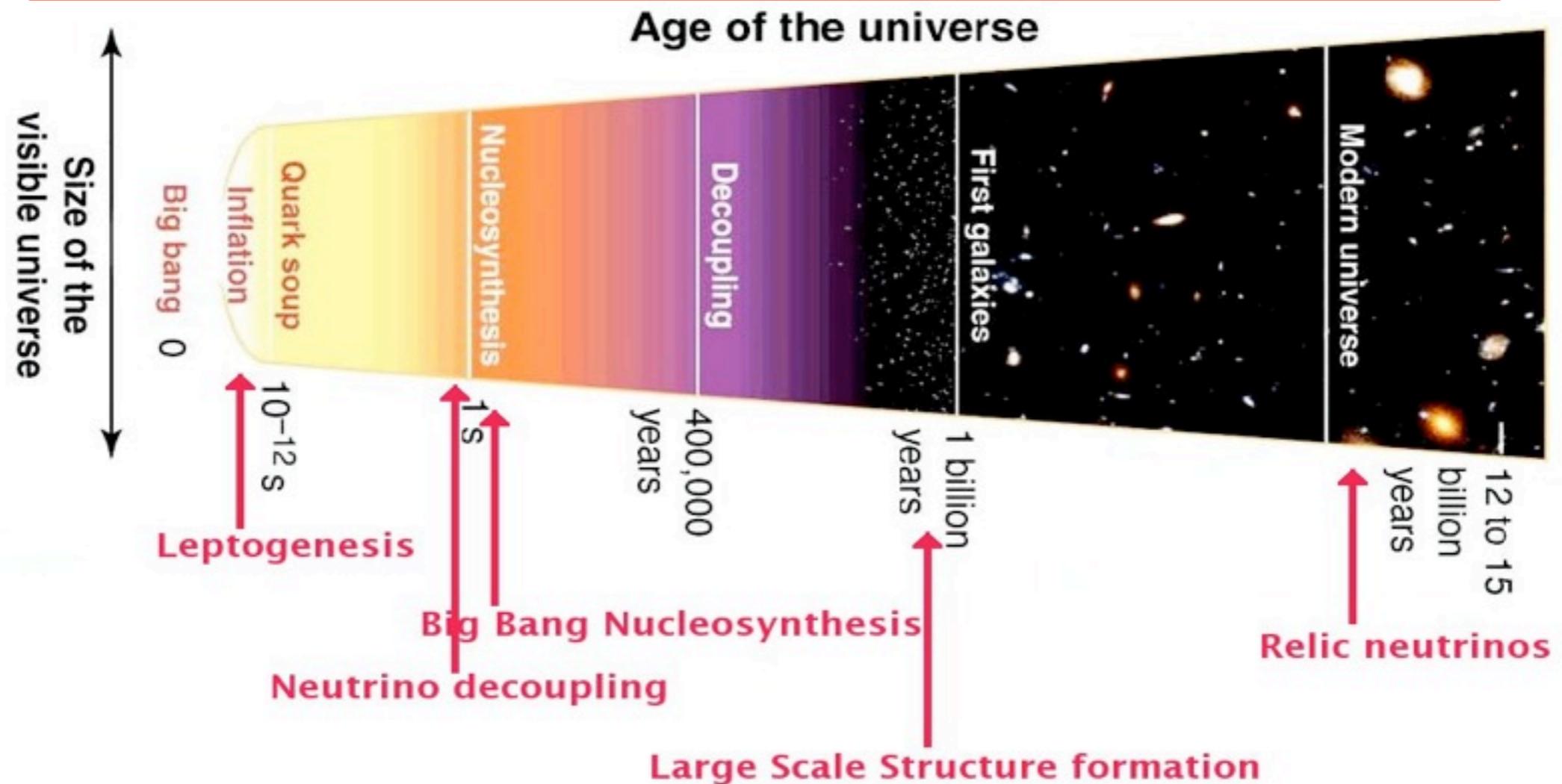


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**Comparisons should be made with great care** as they critically depend on:

- setup assumed: detector and its performance, beam and its optimisation...
- values of oscillation parameters and their errors;
- treatment of backgrounds and systematic errors.

# Neutrinos in cosmology



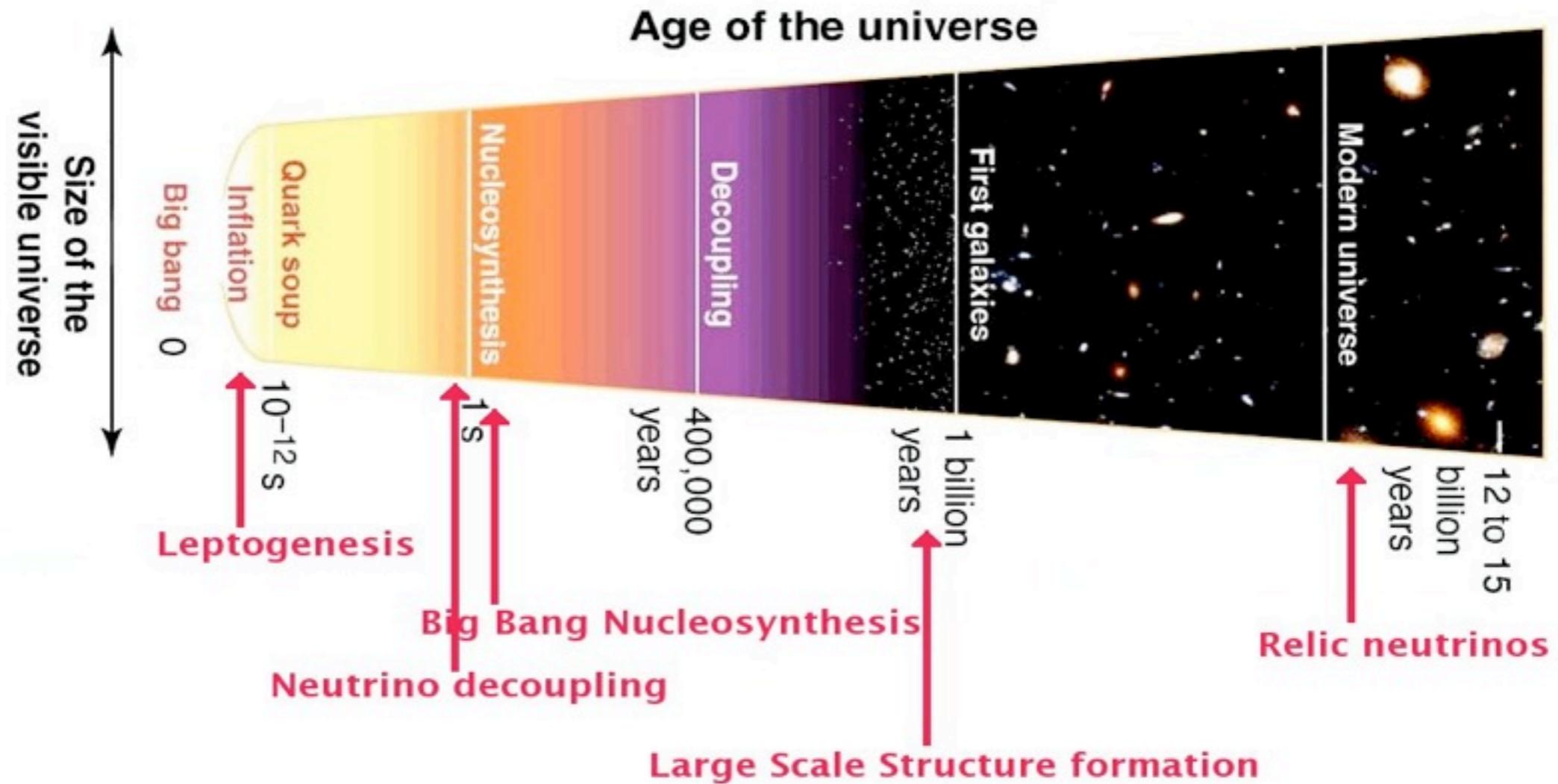
Neutrinos were in thermal equilibrium with thermal plasma at the beginning of the Universe. As their interactions got “too slow”, they decoupled:  $T \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$\Gamma_{\text{interactions}} = \sigma n \propto G_F^2 T^2 T^3$$

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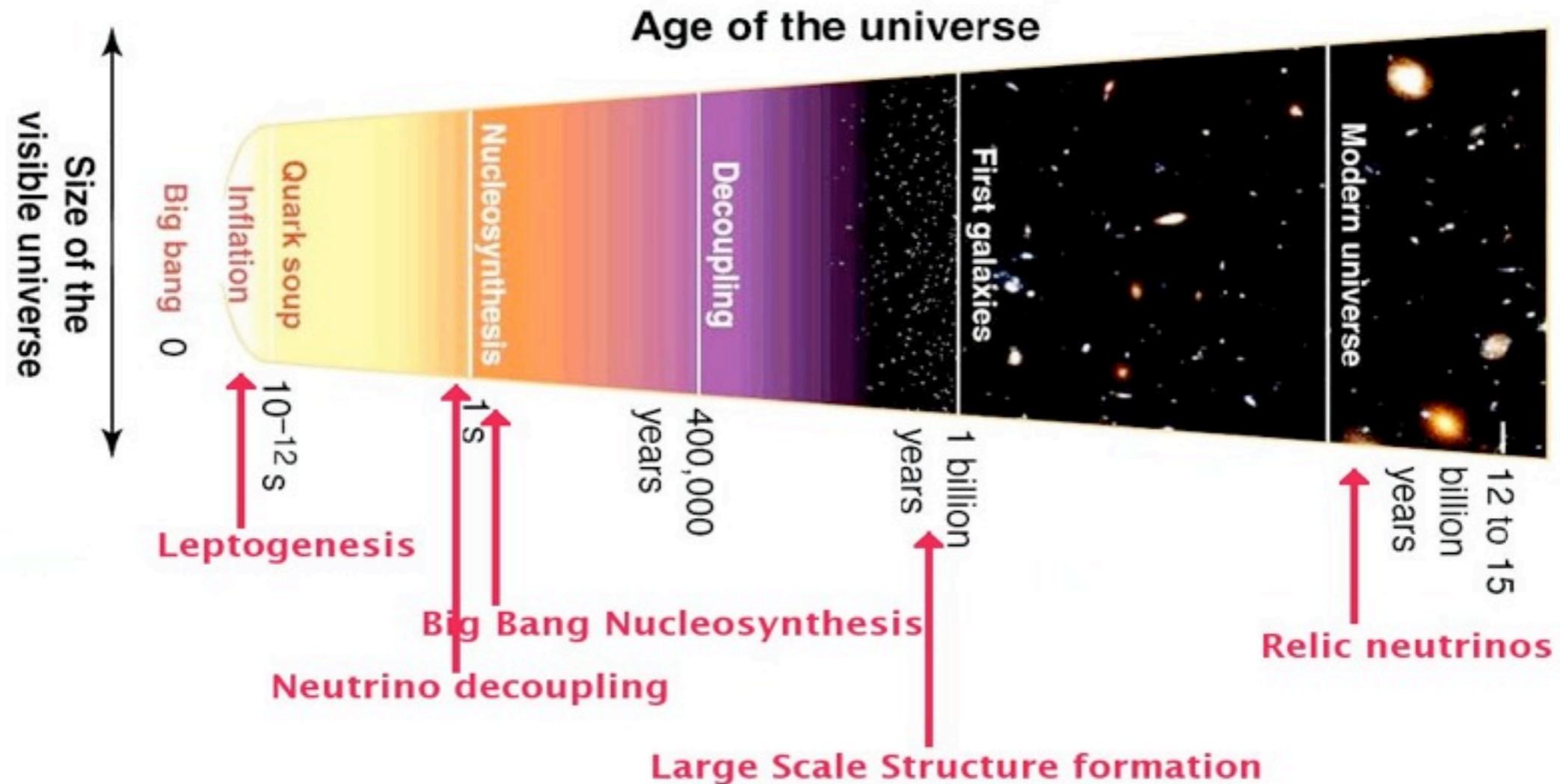
$$H \propto \frac{T^2}{m_{\text{Pl}}}$$

After decoupling, neutrinos have played an important role in shaping the Universe: BBN, CMB, LSS.



How many **relic neutrinos** are  
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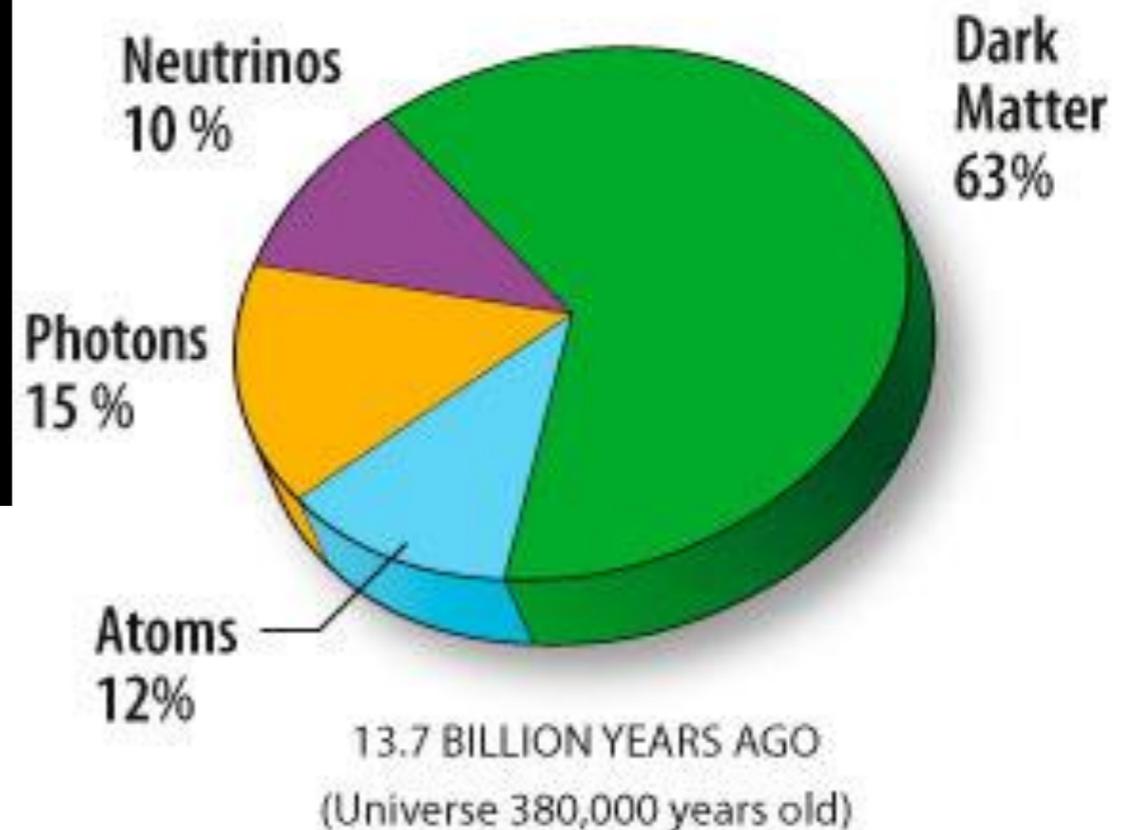
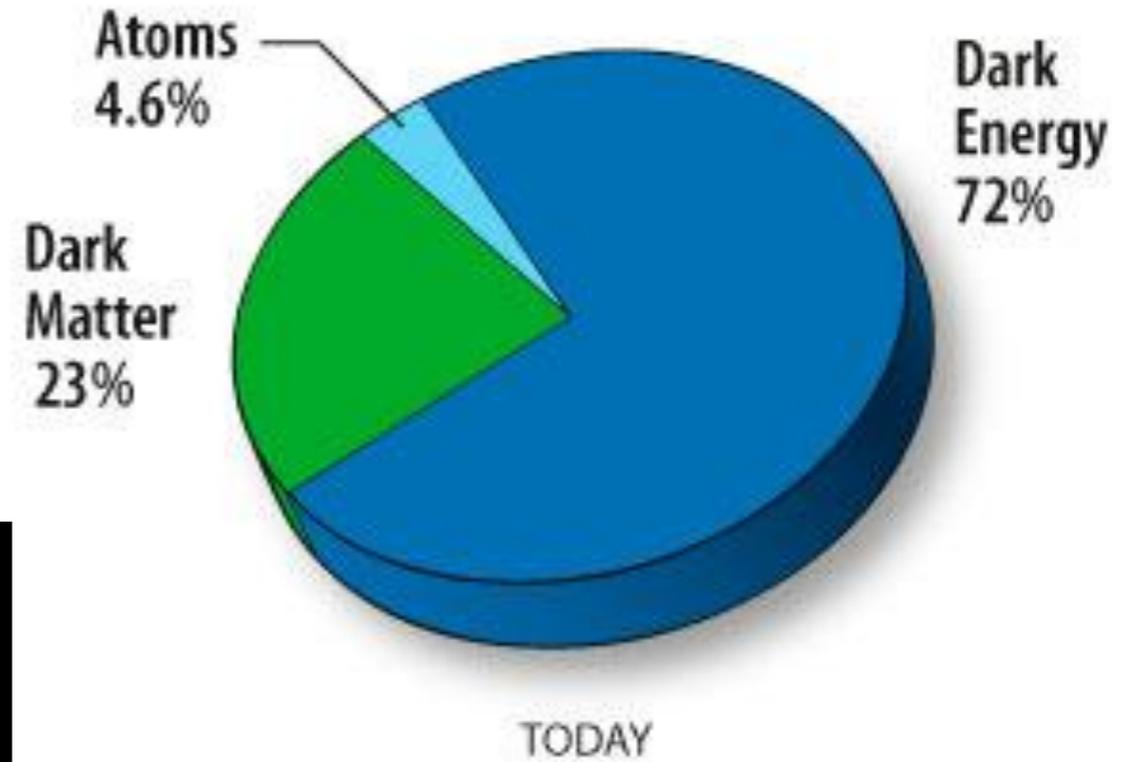
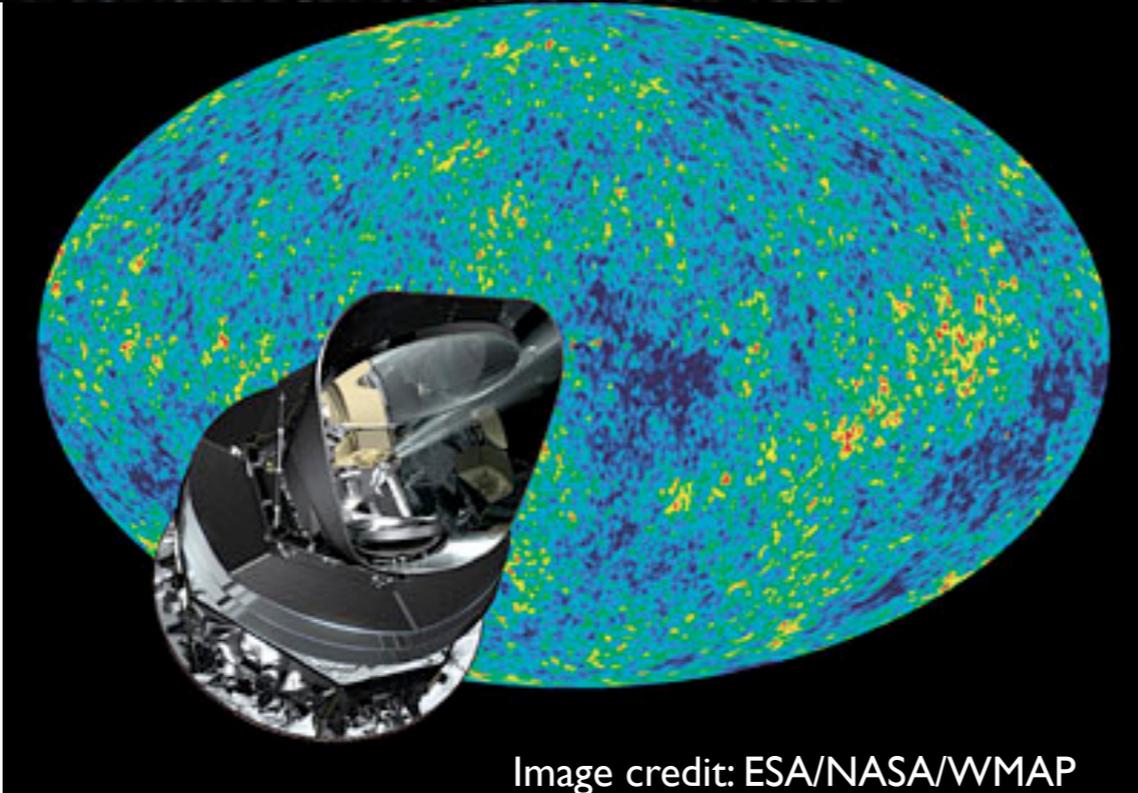
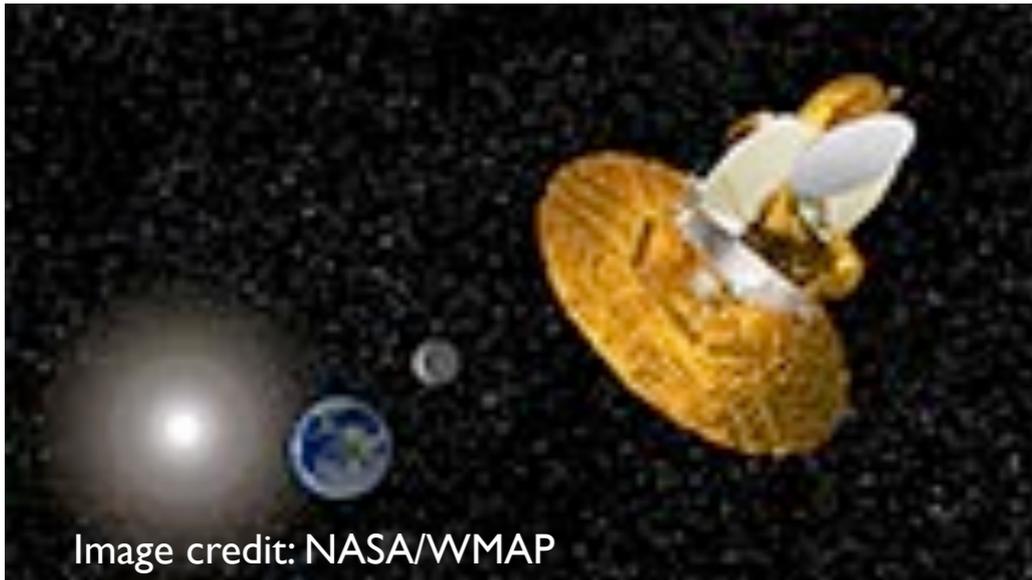
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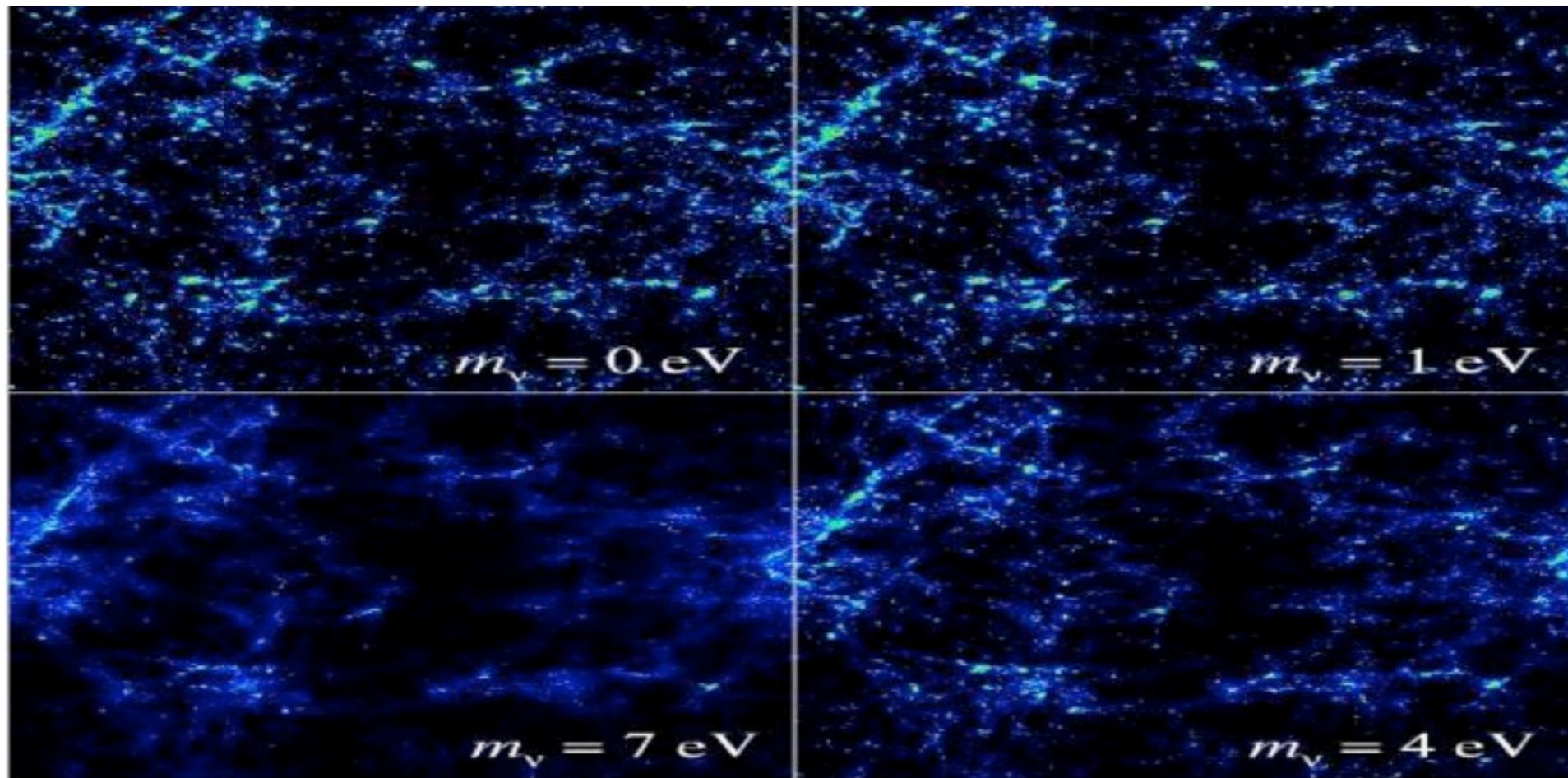
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# New Scientist 05 March 2008: Universe submerged in a sea of chilled neutrinos



**Neutrinos are the only known component of Dark Matter.**

Neutrinos played a role in the **formation of clusters of galaxies**. Early on in the Universe, they travelled too fast to be gravitationally bound (they free-streamed).



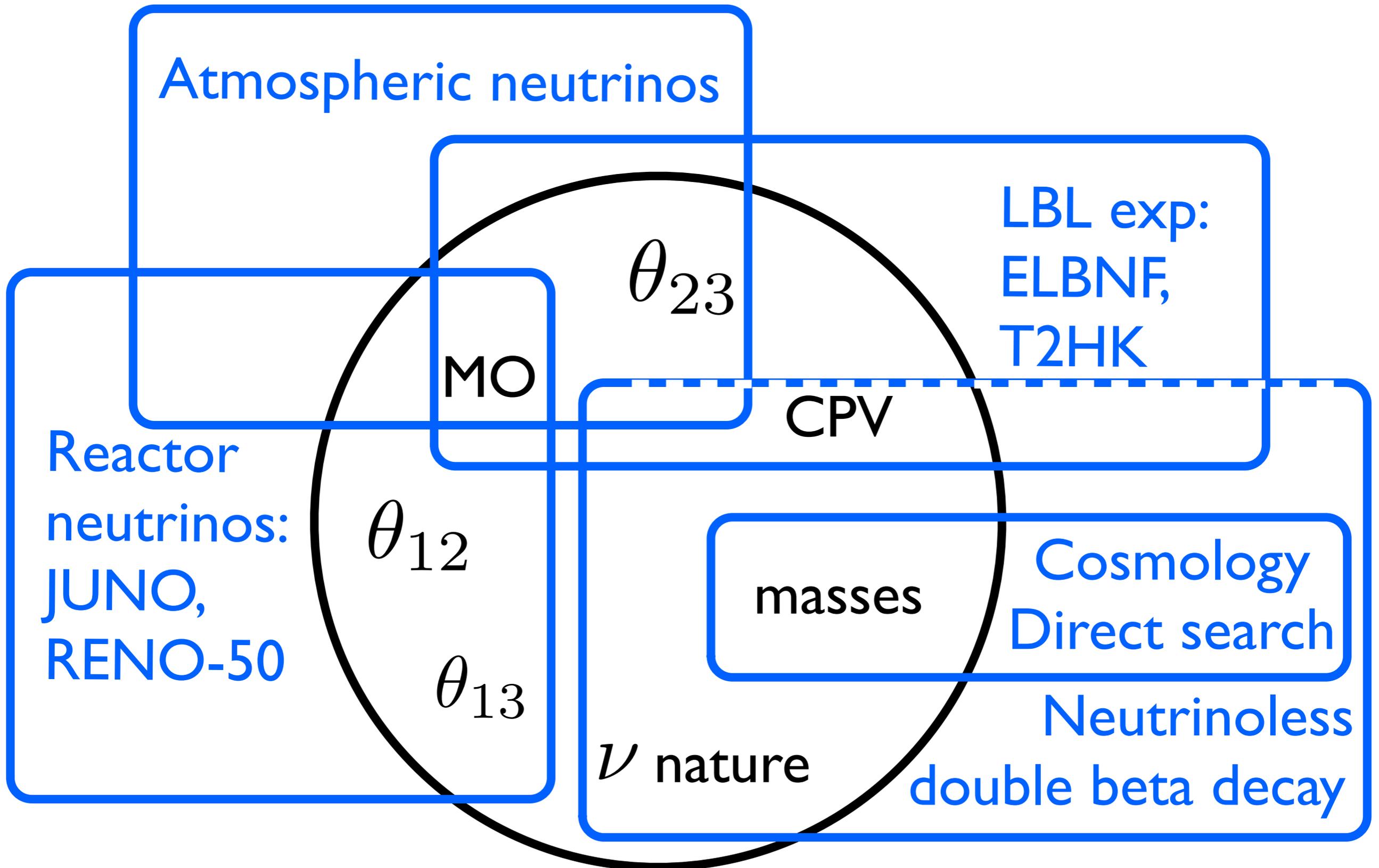
Cosmology, in the standard model, allows to set very stringent bounds on neutrino masses:

$$\sum m_i < 0.3 - 1 \text{ eV}$$

In the coming years data on neutrino properties will be provided both by particle physics, in many experiments, and cosmology.

**Do we need all these experiments?  
Why?**

# Complementarity



Also: Tests of standard neutrino paradigm

# Synergy

If:

LBL

finds IO

Neutrinoless  
double beta decay  
No signal down  
to  $m_{ee} \sim 10 \text{ meV}$

Nus are Dirac particles or cancellations in double beta decay (e.g. low energy see-saw)

If:

KATRIN

$m > 0.3 \text{ eV}$

Cosmology

No signal down  
to  $m < 0.1 \text{ eV}$

Non-standard cosmology and/or non-standard evolution in the Universe for neutrinos

## Cosmology

If: Precise measurement of  $m$

## Neutrinoless double beta decay

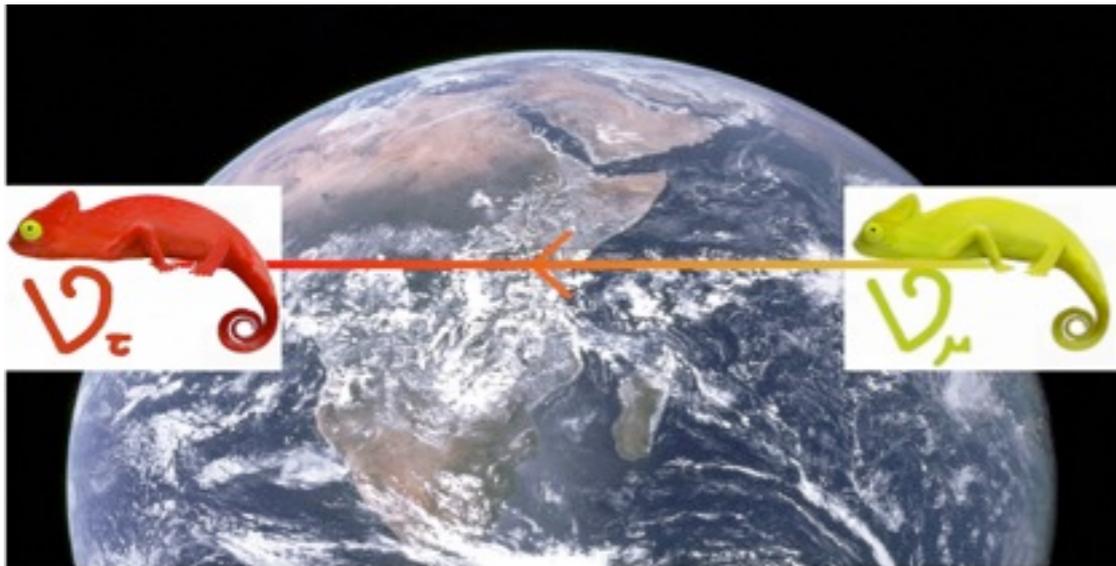
Precise  $m_{ee}$   
(NME needed)

For light neutrino mass exchange, Majorana CPV could be searched for/discovered

- Information not obtainable from a single experiment (e.g. Dirac neutrinos) could be found.
- If an incompatibility between data is found, this would indicate the need to go beyond the standard picture (of particle physics/cosmology).

# Conclusions

**Neutrinos are the most elusive of the SM particles and the only known component of dark matter.**



The discovery of neutrino oscillations has opened a new perspective: **neutrino have masses and mix** implying new physics beyond the Standard Model of Particle Physics.

**An exciting broad experimental programme is ongoing and in preparation for the future, with strong complementarity and synergy.**