

Neutrino Mass Spectrum and Lepton Mixing

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*Status and perspectives of reconstruction
of the neutrino mass and flavor spectrum*

Major steps
Recent results
New ideas

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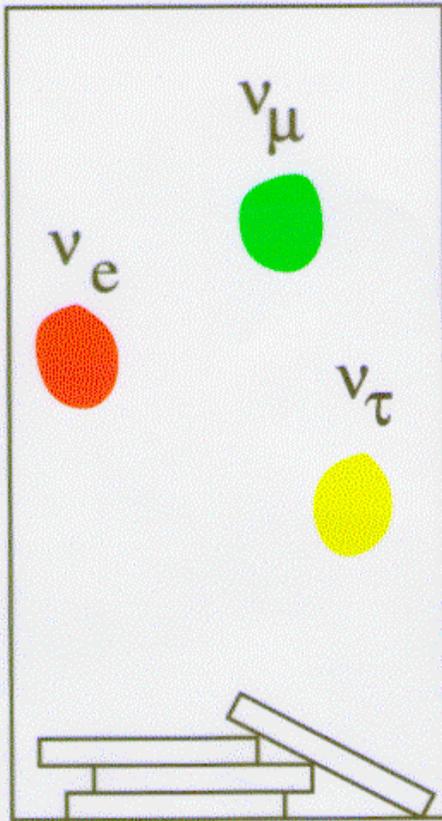
Two remarks:

- *There is a hope that detailed information on neutrino mass spectrum and mixing (just knowledge of the fact that the masses are small is not enough) may eventually shed some light on*
 - *the origin of neutrino mass*
 - *quark-lepton symmetry / unification / GUT*
 - *fermion mass problem in general*
 - *physics beyond the standard model*

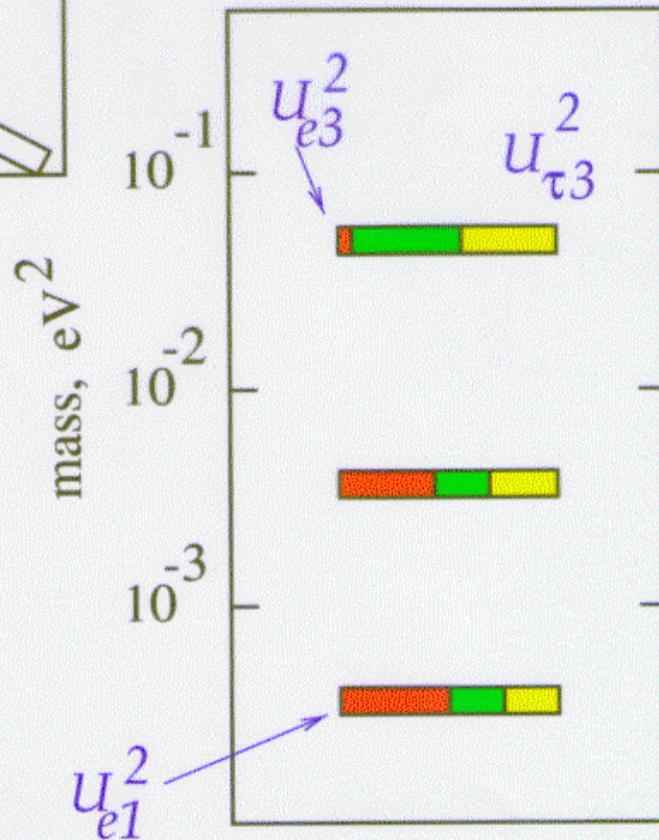
- *Results on atmospheric neutrinos show that the simplest possibility:
 *hierarhical mass spectrum
 with small flavor mixing
has not realized**

*We should consider without prejudice
all possible mass and mixing spectra
which do not contradict experiment.*

Neutrino Mass Spectrum

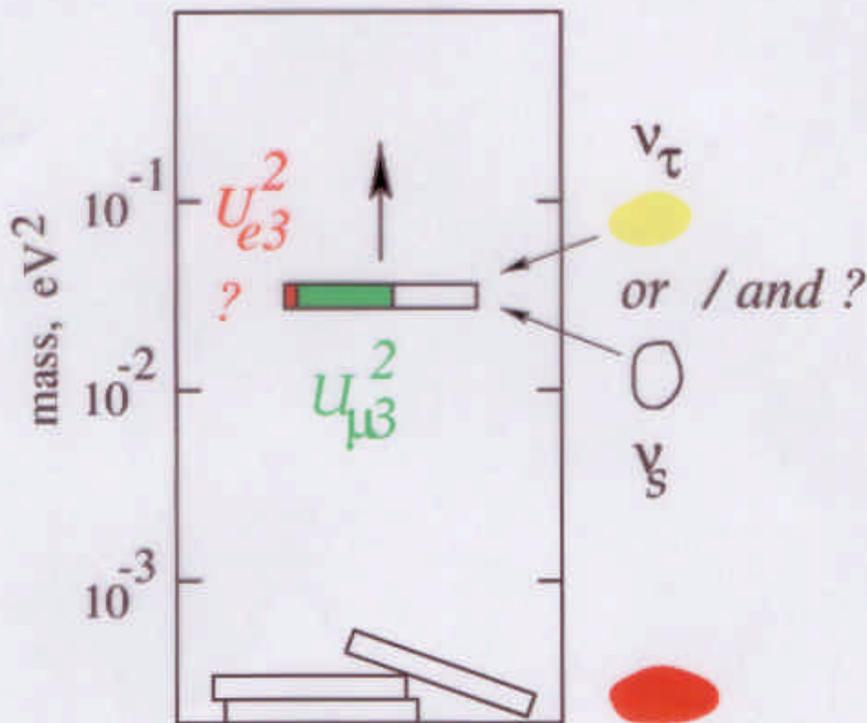


*mixing flavors
in the mass
eigenstates*



Where we are now?

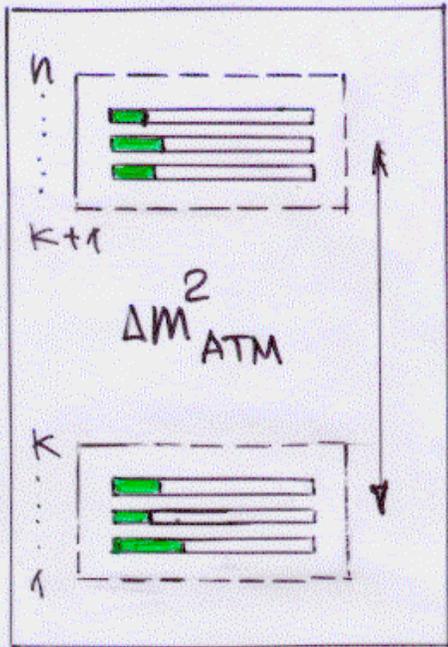
ν_{atm} : provide us with the most reliable
and unambiguous information
the highest confidence level



- $m_3 \gtrsim \sqrt{|\Delta m_{atm}^2|} \gtrsim 3 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$
- $U_{\mu 3}^2 = 0.3 - 0.7$
- $U_{e 3}^2 \lesssim 0.015 - 0.05$

CONTINUED... 

IN GENERAL:



IF ONLY ONE ΔM^2
RELEVANT FOR ν_{ATM}

TWO BLOCKS OF
STATES WITH
 $\Delta M^2_{ij} \ll \Delta M^2_{ATM}$

- DEPTH OF OSCILLATIONS:

$$4 \tilde{U}_{\mu 3}^2 \cdot (1 - \tilde{U}_{\mu 3}^2)$$

$$\tilde{U}_{\mu 3}^2 \equiv \sum_{i=k+1}^n U_{\mu i}^2$$

- ATMOSPHERIC ν WITHOUT LARGE MIXING

IF THERE ARE MANY STATES:

$$U_{\mu i}^2 \ll 1 \quad \text{BUT} \quad \tilde{U}_{\mu 3}^2 = O(1)$$

$$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} / \nu_s$$

ν_s -CHANNEL DOMINATE.

QUESTIONS:

$\nu_{\text{ATM}}: \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$
 ν_{ν}
 U_{s3}

$U_{e3}=?$

U_{ei}

DISTRIBUTION OF ν_e -FLAVOR

Sign of Δm_{21}^2 :
 Δm_{32}^2 :
TYPE OF MASS HIERARCHY

$\Delta m_{\odot}^2=?$

ν_s in SOLAR ν OSCILL.

HOW MANY MASS EIGEN STATES (Δm^2) PARTICIPATE IN ν_{ATM} OSC.?

HOW MANY Δm^2 ?

ABSOLUTE MASS SCALE m_1

CP-VIOLATION PHASE δ_{cp}

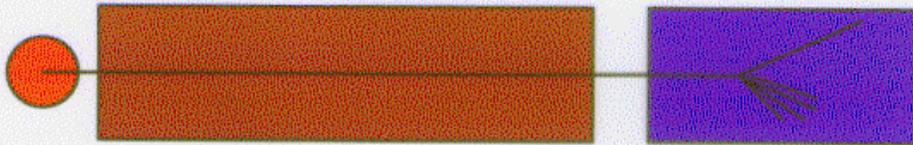
LEVEL OF DEGENERACY

PHASES OF MASS EIGEN-STATES ϑ_2, ϑ_3

↑
NON-OSCILLATION PARAMETERS

↑
OSCILLATION PARAMETERS

ν_τ versus ν_s



Propagation

Interaction in
detector

$$\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$$

*Vacuum
Oscillations
No matter effects*

CC:

- *τ -appearance*

NC: unchanged

- *π^0 -events*
- *NC enriched sample*

$$\nu_\mu - \nu_s$$

*Matter effects
on oscillations*

Modifications of

- *zenith angle distribution*
- *energy dependence*

CC: suppressed

- *no τ*

*NC: suppressed
suppression of*

- *π^0 -events*
- *NC enriched sample*

ν_τ and ν_s

- In schemes with sterile neutrinos (e.g. when ν_s is mainly responsible for the solar neutrino conversion) one expects, in general, some mixing of ν_s in the third mass eigenstate:

$$U_{s3} \neq 0$$

- Atmospheric neutrinos: effects intermediate between pure ν_s and ν_τ cases
- Long Base Line experiments:

$$\tau\text{-appearance} \neq 1 - \mu\text{-disappearance}$$

$$1 - P_{\mu\mu} - P_{\mu\tau} = 4 U_{\mu 3}^2 U_{s2}^2 \sin^2 \frac{\phi}{2}$$

Where are other mass eigenstates?

Assume that ν_1, ν_2 are responsible for solution of the solar neutrino problem:

$$\Delta m_{12}^2 = \Delta m_{\odot}^2$$

Hierarchy of Δm^2 ?

$$\Delta m_{\odot}^2 \ll \Delta m_{atm}^2$$

Best fit points of the solar neutrino data (LMA, LOW, SMA, VO solution regions) satisfy this inequality

Measuring Δm_{\odot}^2

- Reactor experiments, KAMLAND
- Day-Night asymmetry of the solar neutrino rate
- Atmospheric neutrino data: excess of the e -like events in sub-GeV sample. Screening of the effect?

Distribution of the electron flavor

$$U_{ei} = ?$$

mainly in ν_1 and ν_2 mass eigenstates

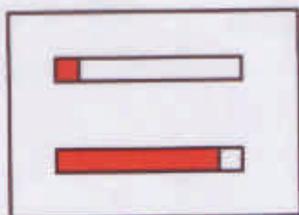
will be determined by solving the solar neutrino problem

Key step:

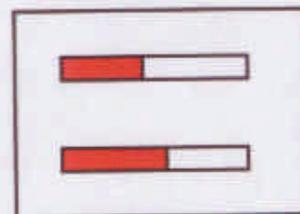
Identification of the solution of the solar neutrino problem

Set of solutions:

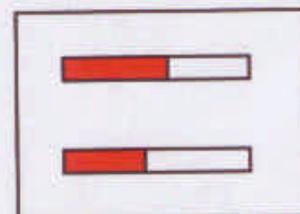
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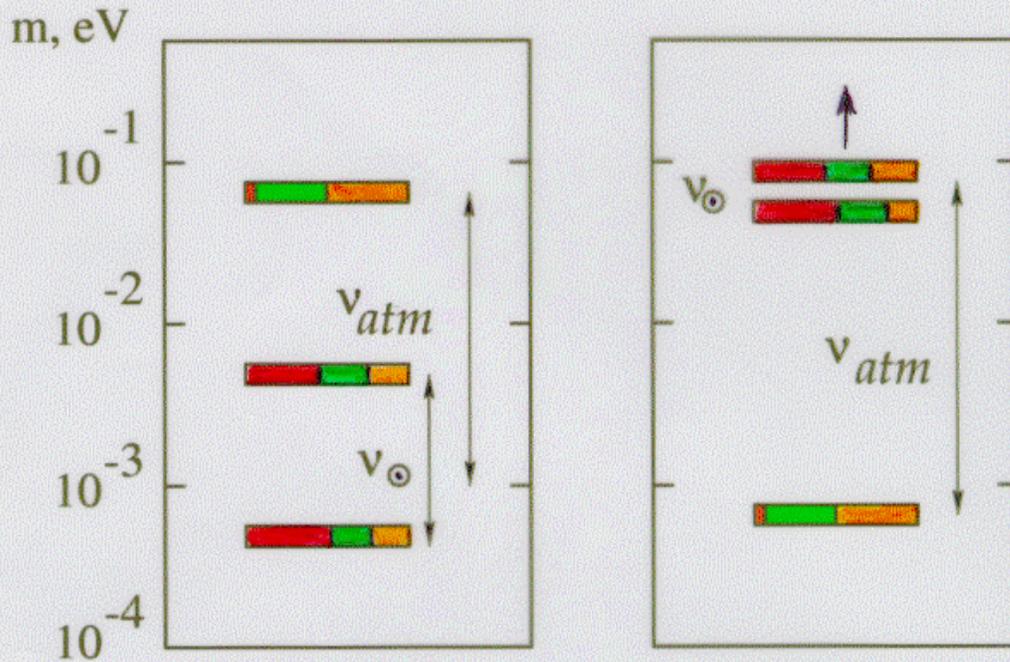
LMA, LOW, VO



*inverted hierarchy
(dark side)*



Type of the mass hierarchy



Normal mass hierarchy

$$\Delta m_{atm}^2 > 0$$

Inverted mass hierarchy

$$\Delta m_{atm}^2 < 0$$

(partial degeneracy)

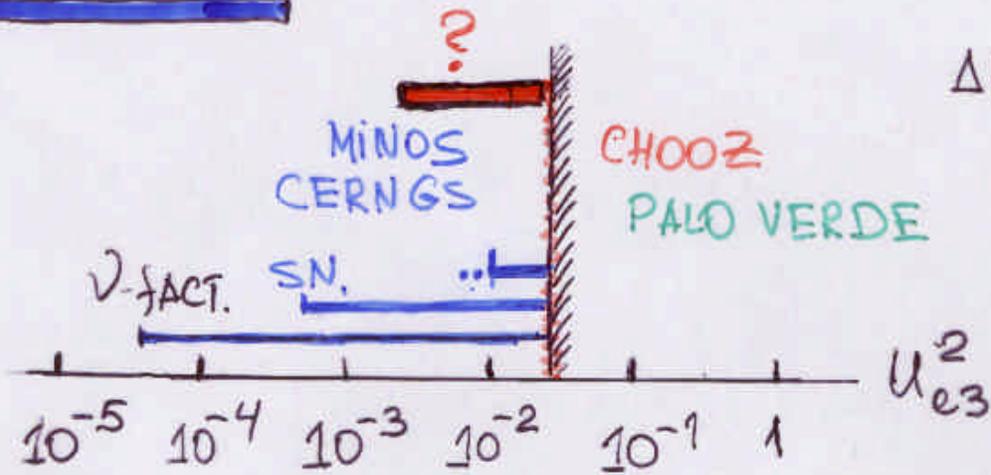
$$\rho_{\nu} \geq 2 \cdot \sqrt{\Delta m_{ATM}^2}$$

Phenomenology is different:

- Supernova neutrinos
- Neutrinoless double beta decay
- Earth matter effects, $U_{e3}^2 \neq 0$

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θ_{e3}



$$\Delta m^2 = 3 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

ARE WE CLOSE TO DISCOVERY?

SMALL ← NO TUNING

$$M = m_0 \begin{vmatrix} K & \epsilon & \epsilon' \\ \epsilon & 1+\delta-\delta' & 1-\delta \\ \epsilon' & 1-\delta & 1+\delta+\delta' \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\theta_{e3}^2 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\tan^2 2\theta_{12}}{(1 + \tan^2 2\theta_{12})^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{\Delta m_0^2}{\Delta m_{ATM}^2}$$

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BRANCO
REBELO

LMA

TWO PARAMETERS $\tilde{\epsilon}, \tilde{\delta}$

➔ RELATION BETWEEN
3 OBSERVABLES

LMA: $\theta_{e3}^2 = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \div 0.02$

IDENTIFYING SOLUTION OF THE ν_0 -PROBLEM

- FLUX DURING THE NIGHT
- CORRELATIONS OF OBSERVABLES
- CAN ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINOS HELP?
- LARGE OR MAXIMAL?

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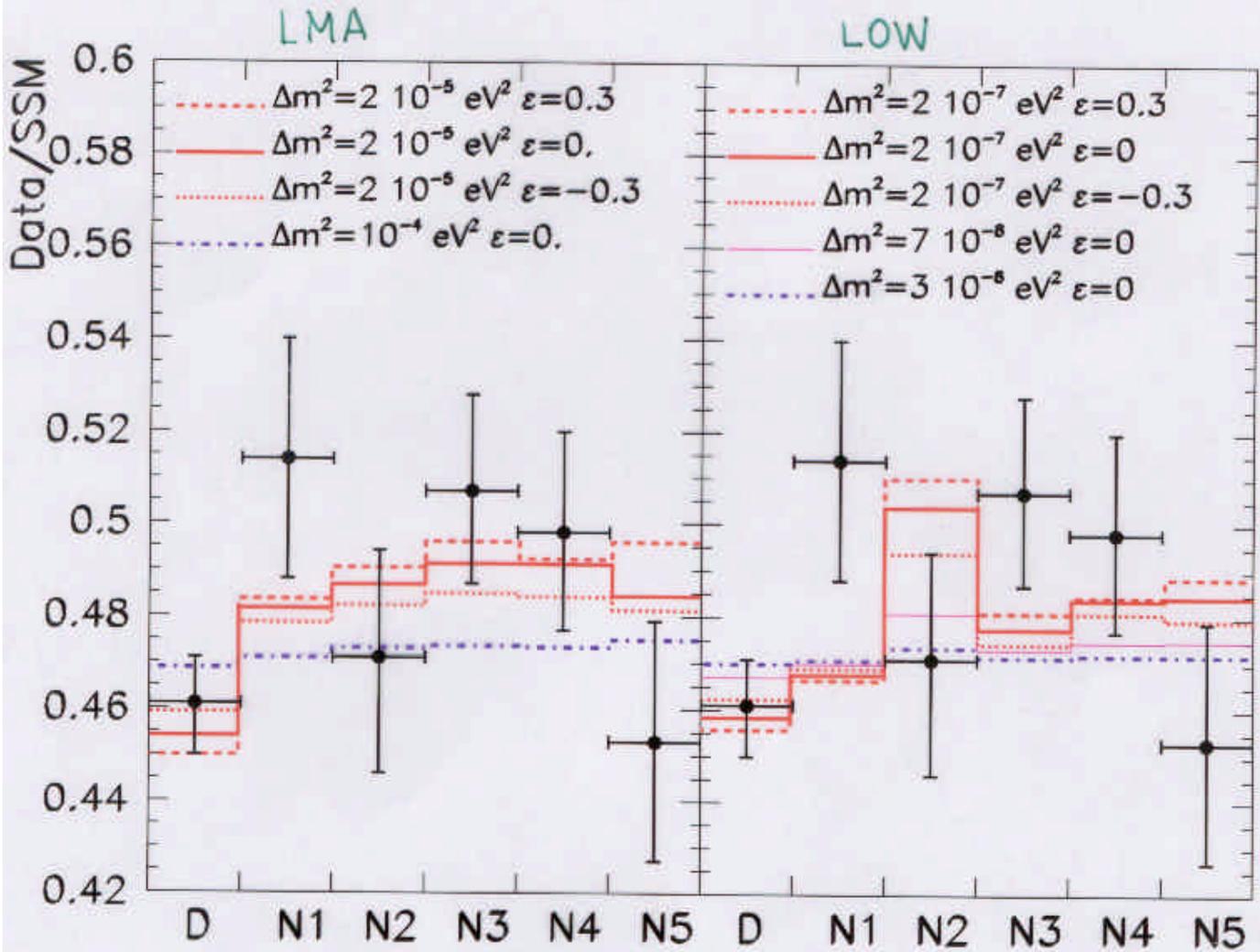
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ZENITH ANGLE DISTRIBUTION



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 PEÑYA-GARAY
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Correlations of Observables

Observables: X Y Z

- rates, (total fluxes)
- characteristics of spectrum distortion (shift of the first moment, slope ...)
- characteristics of time variations of signals (A_{N-D} θ_z distribution winter-summer asymmetry)

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Correlations - signatures of solutions

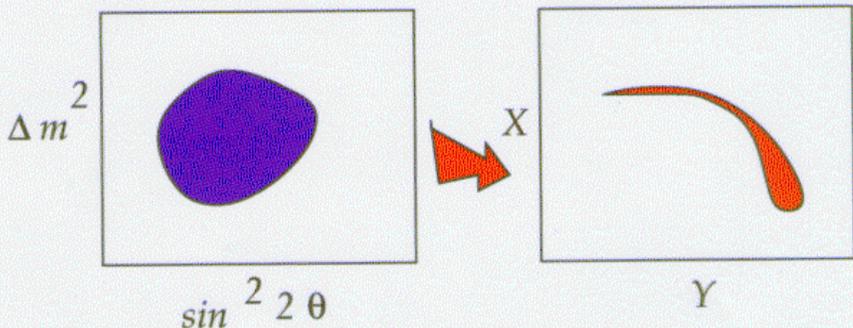
enhancement of the identification power of analysis

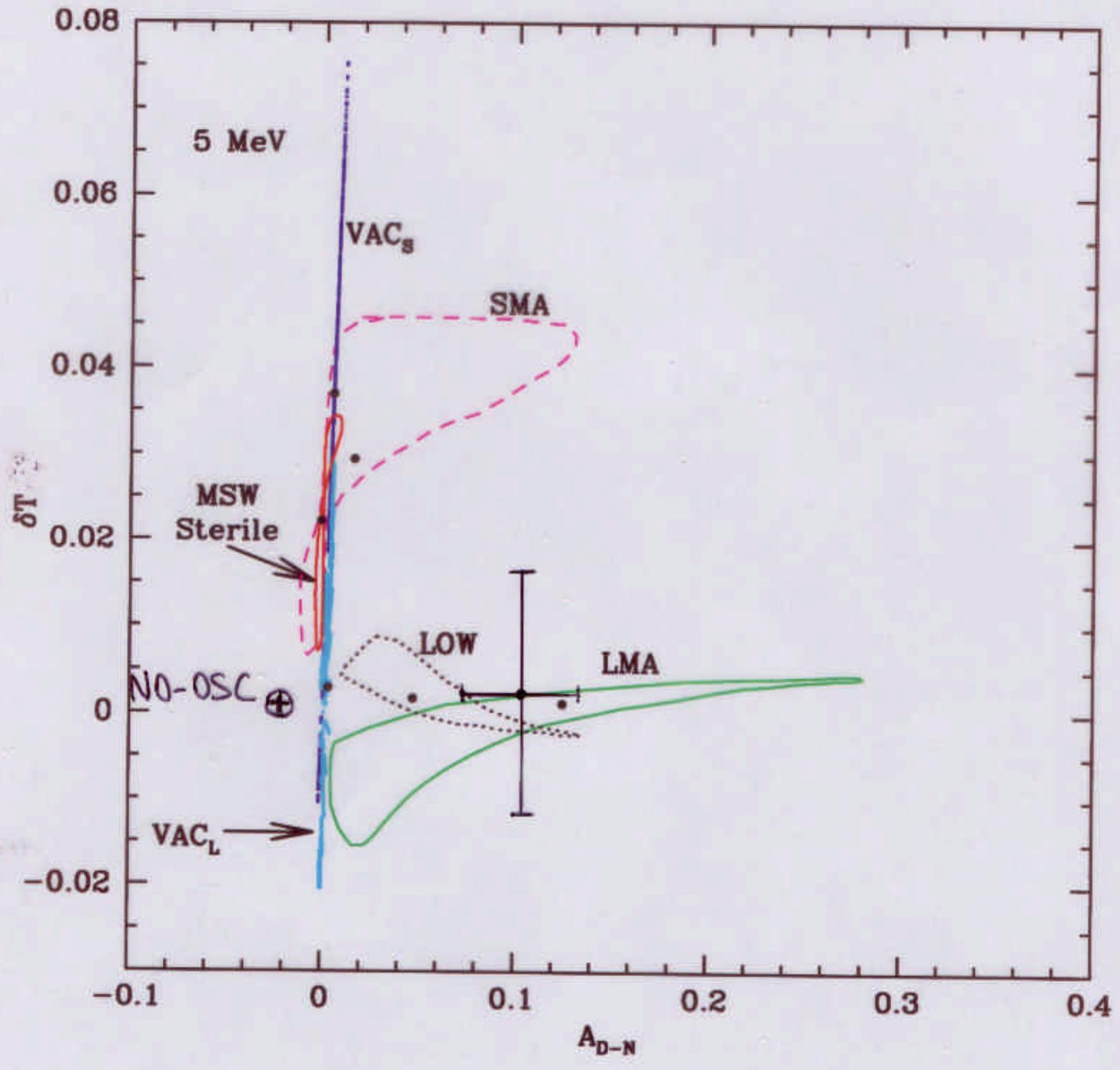
SNO observables

f_B from the SK rate

$$X = X(\Delta m^2, \theta) \quad Y = Y(\Delta m^2, \theta)$$

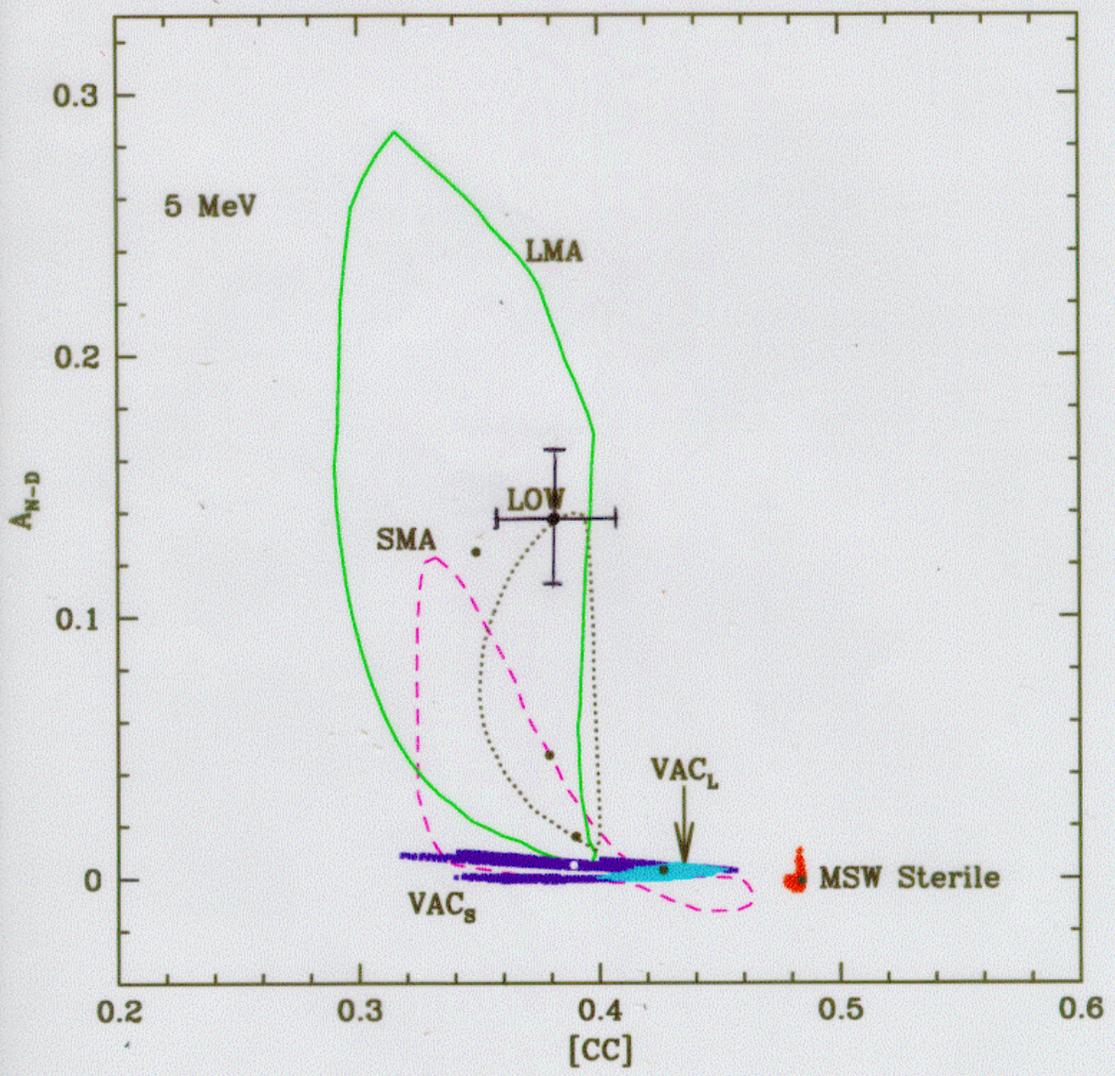
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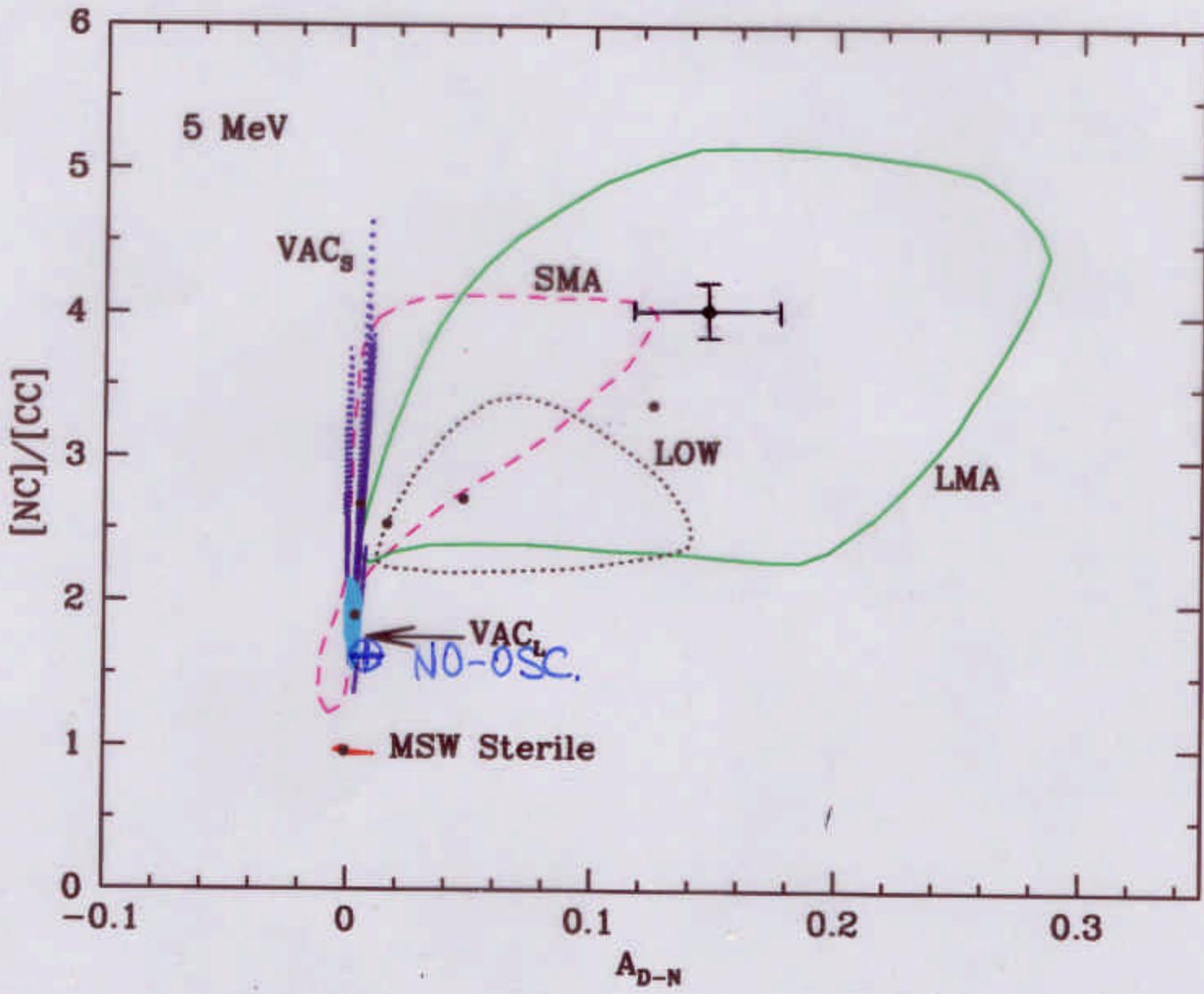


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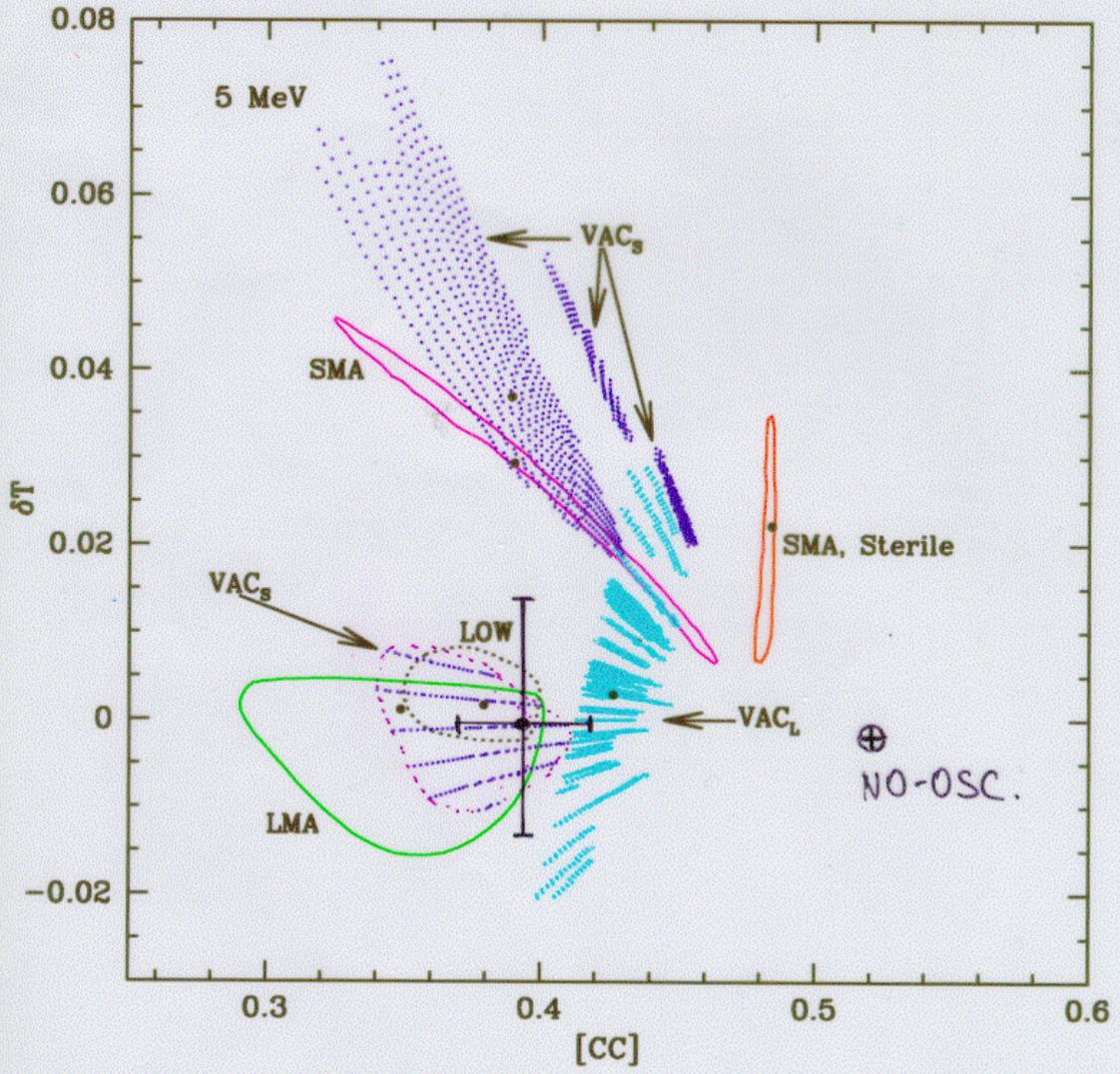
ST- A_{D-N}



CC-AdN



NC/CC - A_{D-N}



ST-CC

ν_e PROBLEM & ATMOSPHERIC NEUTRINOS

- IF LMA IS THE SOLUTION, CORRESPONDING PARAMETERS CAN BE PROBED IN ν_{ATM}

EXCESS OF e -LIKE EVENTS IN SUB-GEV RANGE

$$F_e = F_e^0 \cdot \left[1 + P_{\nu_e} \cdot (r \cdot \cos^2 \theta_{23} - 1) \right]$$

$$r \equiv \frac{F_{\mu}^0}{F_e^0}$$

"SCREENING FACTOR"
CLOSE TO 0

$$\text{EXCESS} \propto \cos 2\theta_{23}$$

FOR MAXIMAL MIXING IN ν_{ATM} : $\theta_{23} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

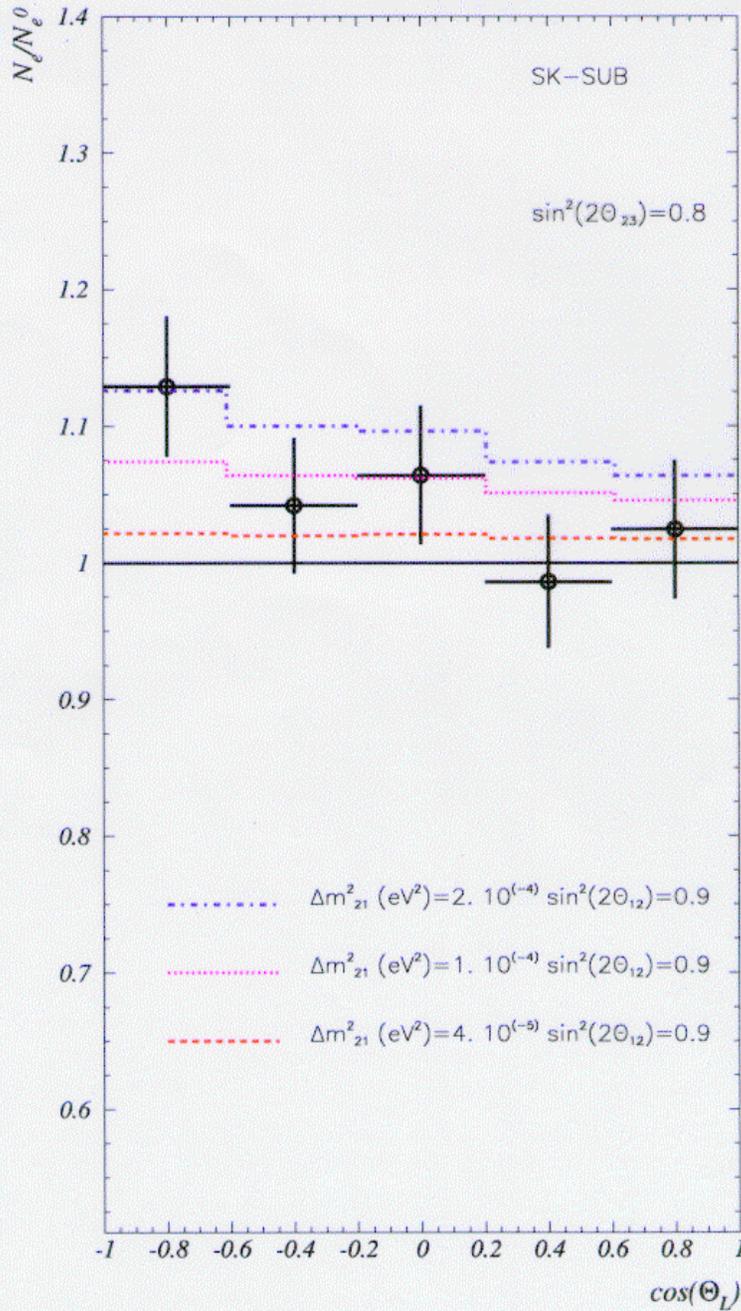
\Rightarrow EXCESS = 0

EXCESS FOR $\theta_{23} < \frac{\pi}{4}$

HIGH SENSITIVITY TO DEVIATION FROM MAXIMAL MIXING

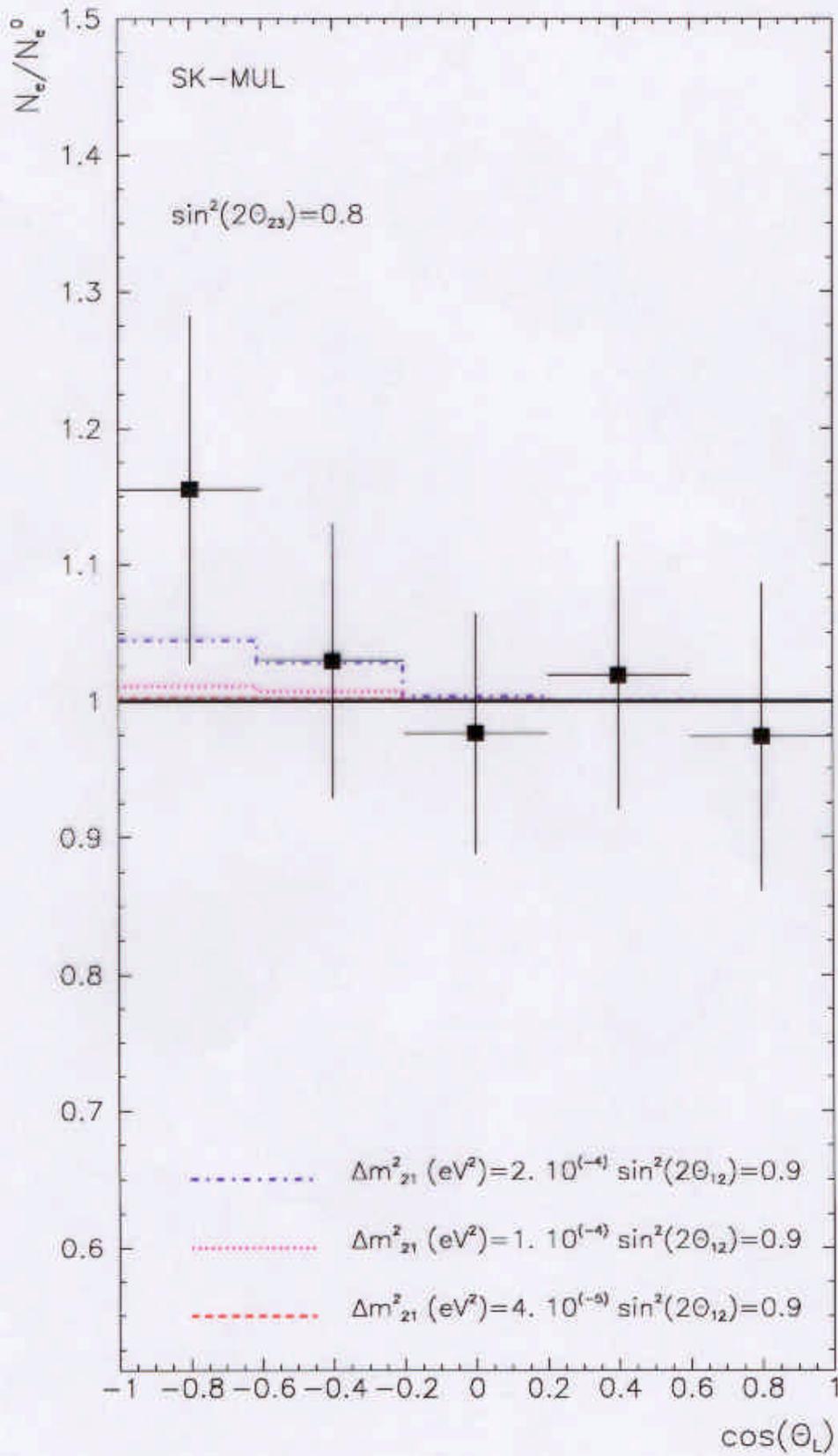
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990 Days



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Phenomenology of Maximal Mixing

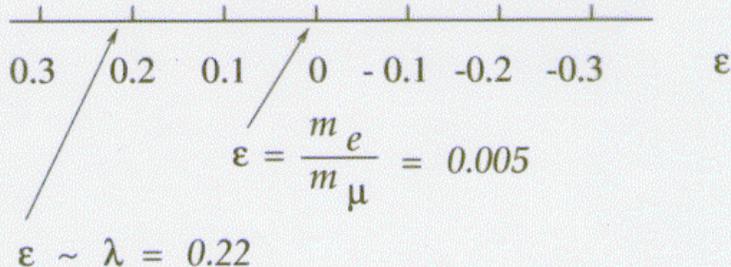
Solar neutrinos: $\theta \sim \frac{\pi}{4}$ is accepted by global fit

Atmospheric neutrinos: $\theta \sim \frac{\pi}{4}$ gives the best fit

*Is maximal or close to maximal mixing
a generic property of leptons?*

Deviation from maximal mixing: ϵ

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \epsilon) \quad (\cos 2\theta = \epsilon)$$

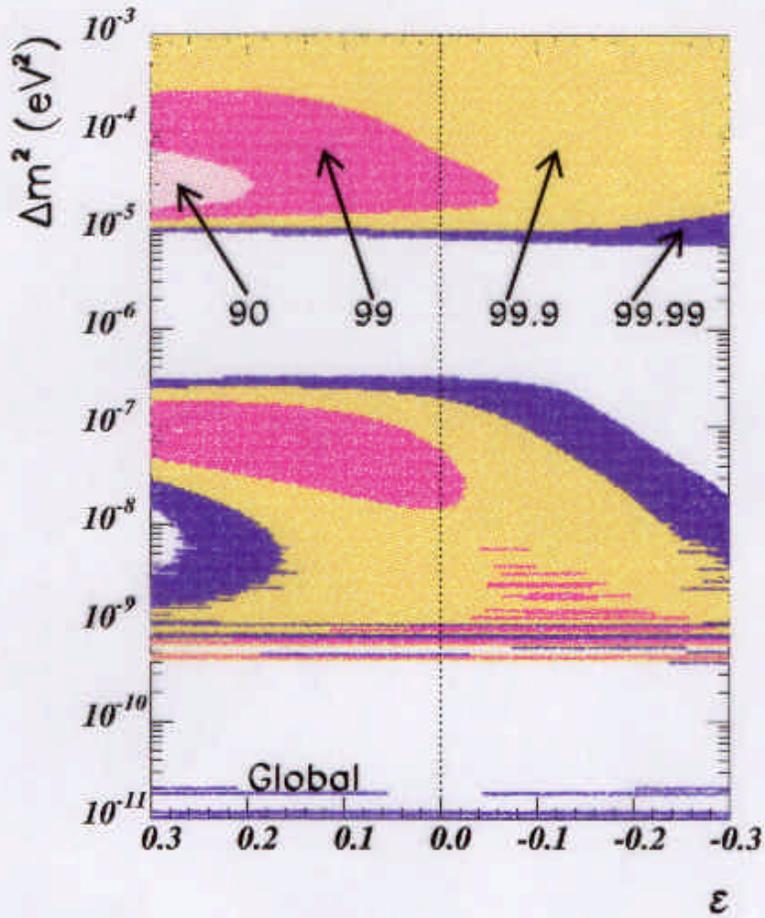


Phenomenology: Nothing dramatic!

*all observables change smoothly when
 ϵ changes the sign.*

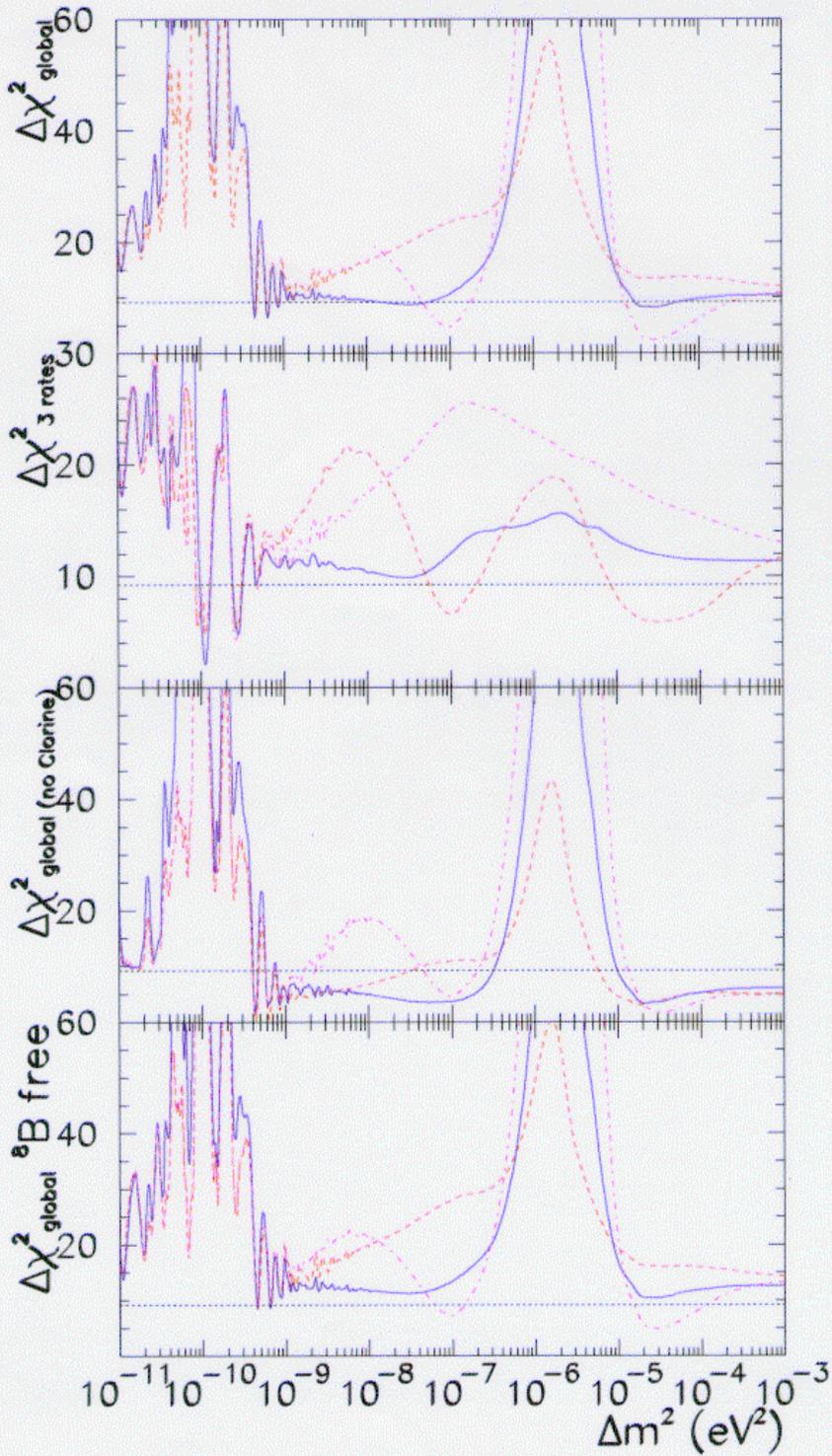
no divergencies, discontinuities

*some observables depend on ϵ
very weakly*



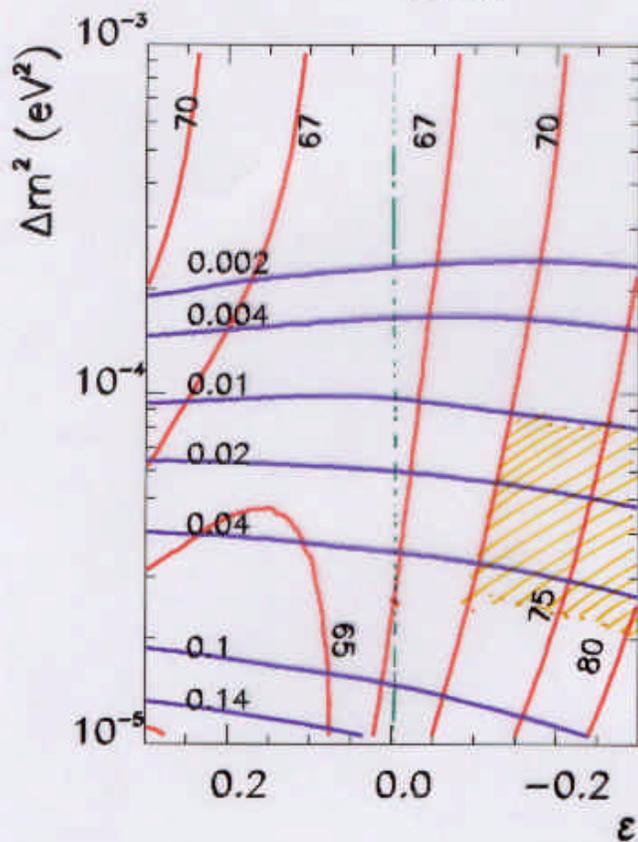
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THE DEPENDENCE OF χ^2 SHIFT ON Δm^2

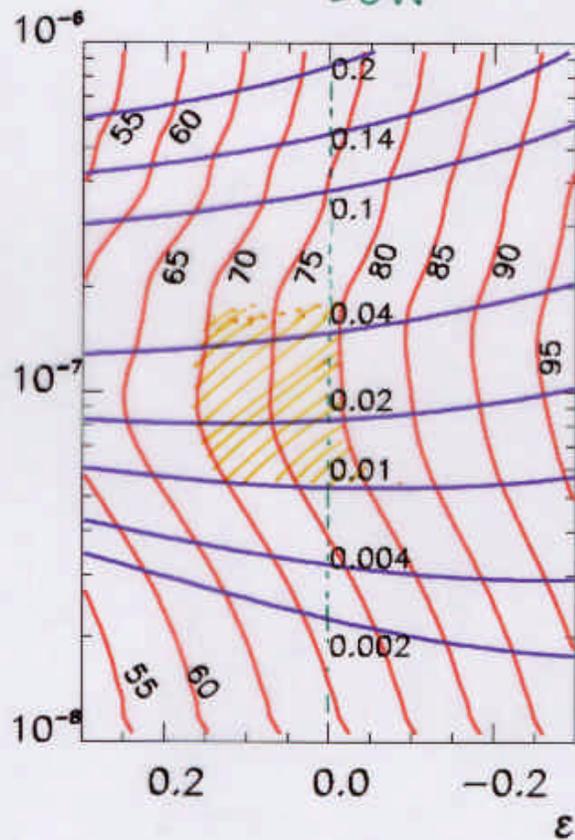


CONTOURS OF CONSTANT $A_{N \rightarrow D}$ AND Q_{GE} IN $\Delta m^2 - \epsilon$ PLANE

LMA



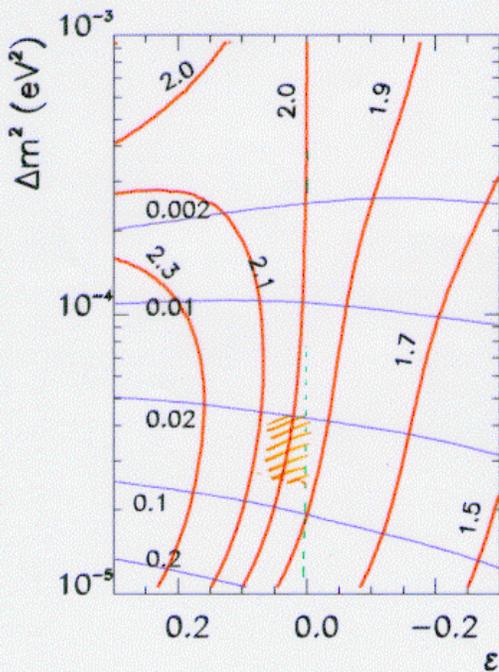
LOW



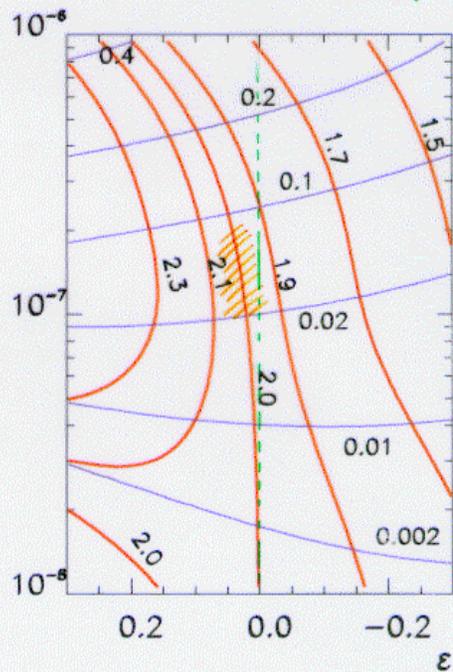
CONTOURS OF CONSTANT $[NC]/[CC]$ AND A_{N-D}^{CC}
IN THE $\Delta m^2 - \epsilon$ PLANE

SNO

LMA



LOW



- $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ decay,
- SN-NEUTRINOS,
- AND TYPE OF
MASS HIERARCHY

$\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ & NEUTRINO MASS SPECTRUM

- FOR ANY OSCILLATION PATTERN M_{ee} (EFFECTIVE MAJORANA MASS) CAN TAKE ANY VALUE:

$$M_{ee} = 0 \div M \text{ (UPPER BOUND)}$$

FOR NORMAL MASS HIERARCHY

- M_{ee} HAS MINIMUM $|M_{ee}| > 0$ FOR INVERTED MASS HIERARCHY IF $|U_{e1}|^2 > \frac{1}{2}$

COMPLEMENTARY
 INFORMATION

- IN GENERAL: NO PREDICTIONS FOR M_{ee}
 $M_{ee} (\Delta m^2, \theta, \delta_{CP}, m_1, \delta_i)$

- IF M_{ee} WILL BE MEASURED, AT LEAST ONE MASS SHOULD BE

$$m_j > \frac{M_{ee}}{n}$$

(n IS THE NUMBER OF MASS EIGENSTATES)
 UNLESS OTHER MECHANISMS CONTRIBUTE TO $\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ -DECAY

m_{ee} & OSCILLATION PARAMETERS

- Coincidence OF VALUE OF m_{ee} AND CERTAIN COMBINATION OF OSCILLATION PARAMETERS CAN TESTIFY FOR CERTAIN NEUTRINO MASS SPECTRUM

- $$m_{ee} = \sqrt{\Delta M_{ATM}^2} \cdot U_{e3}^2$$

NORMAL MASS HIERARCHY
SMA, LOW, VAC,

- $$m_{ee} \approx \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 2\theta_0}\right) \sqrt{\Delta M_{\odot}^2}$$

LMA, MASS HIERARCHY, SMALL U_{e3}

- $$m_{ee} = \sqrt{\Delta M_{ATM}^2}$$

INVERTED MASS HIERARCHY, SMA, LMA ($\gamma=0$)

- $$m_{ee} = \cos 2\theta_0 \sqrt{\Delta M_{ATM}^2}$$

INVERTED MASS HIERARCHY, LMA ($\gamma=\pi$)

$\beta\beta_{0\nu}$ AND IDENTIFICATION OF SPECTRUM

NORMAL MASS HIERARCHY

$$m_{ee} \cong \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2} U_{e3}^2$$

$$\lesssim 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

INVERTED MASS HIERARCHY

$$m_{ee} = \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2} \cdot \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } \sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.91$$

$$\epsilon > 0.3$$

$$m_{ee} \gtrsim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

HOWEVER PREDICTIONS OF THESE TWO SPECTRA OVERLAP IN THE CASE OF PARTIAL OR COMPLETE DEGENERACY

SUPERNOVA $\bar{\nu}$ AND ν -MASS SPECTRUM

- PROBE WHOLE MASS (Δm^2) SPECTRUM

$$P(\text{production}) \gg \rho_R (\Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2)$$

- MIXING ASSOCIATED WITH BOTH Δm^2 CAN BE MATTER-ENHANCED

- UNCERTAINTIES:

- DENSITY PROFILE
- ORIGINAL SPECTRA $F_\alpha(E)$ $\alpha = e, \mu, \dots$

CAN WE GET SN MODEL INDEPENDENT RESULTS ?

GENERIC:

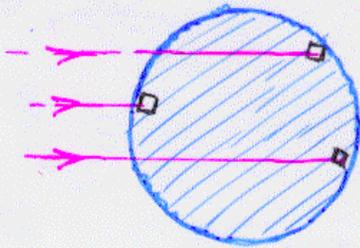
- (1). $E(\nu_e) < E(\bar{\nu}_e) < E(\nu_\mu)$
- (2). "pinched" ENERGY SPECTRA ($\eta > 0$)

SIGNATURES:

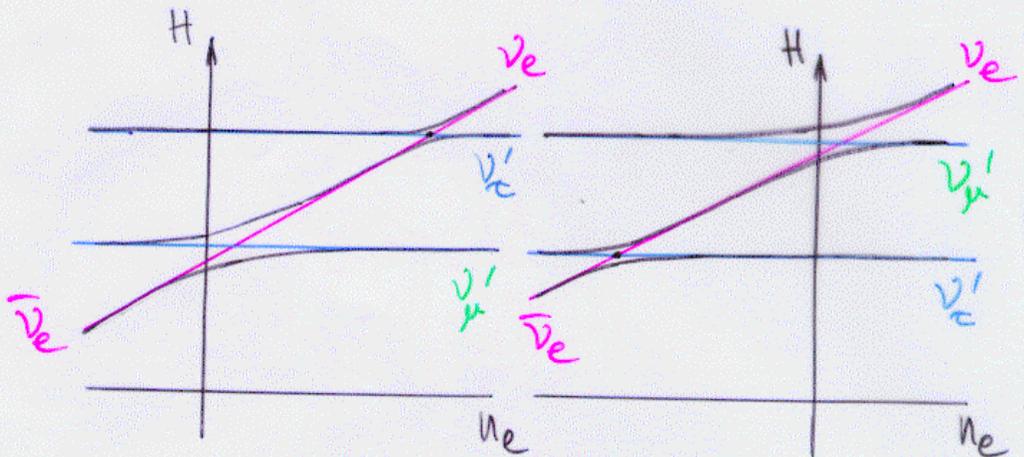
VIOLATION OF INEQUALITY (*)

EARTH MATTER EFFECTS

WIDE COMPOSITE SPECTRA



DUE TO EARTH MATTER
EFFECTS SIGNALS IN
DETECTORS WILL BE
DIFFERENT



NORMAL
HIERARCHY

INVERTED
HIERARCHY

IF $|U_{e3}|^2 > 10^{-3}$
PROPAGATION IN
HIGH DENSITY
RESONANCE - ADIABATIC

$$F(\nu_{\mu}') = F(\nu_{\tau}')$$

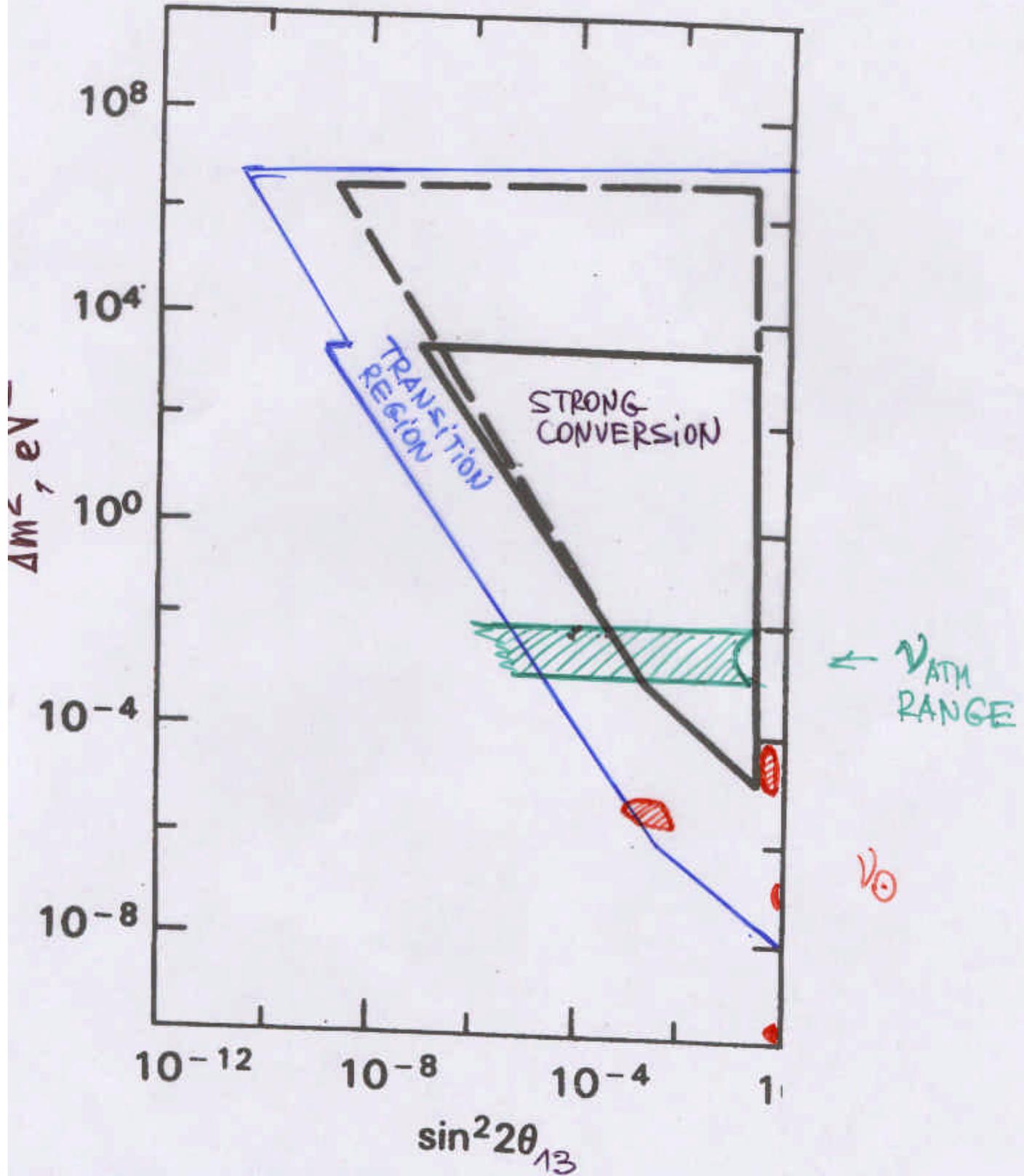
EARTH MATTER
EFFECT IN
 $\bar{\nu}_e$ -SIGNAL

NO EFFECT IN
 ν_e SIGNAL

EARTH MATTER
EFFECT IN
 ν_e -SIGNAL

NO EFFECT IN
 $\bar{\nu}_e$ -SIGNAL

SUPERNOVA $\bar{\nu}$



CAN PROBE $|U_{e3}|^2 \approx 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$

ν_e ν_{ATM} AND LSND

LSND

THREE VERY DIFFERENT $\Delta m^2 \Rightarrow \nu_s$

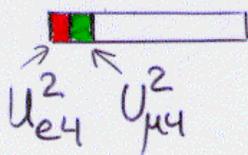
EITHER ν_e OR ν_{ATM} SHOULD CONVERT TO ν_s ?

Bilen'ki
Giunti
Grinnis

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- $\nu_{ATM} \rightarrow \nu_s$ - DISFAVORED
- $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$?

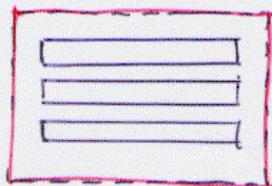
- IF BOTH $\nu_{ATM} \rightarrow \nu_{ACTIVE}$ AND $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{ACTIVE}$



$$\sin^2 2\theta_{LSND} = 4U_{e4}^2 \cdot U_{\mu 4}^2$$

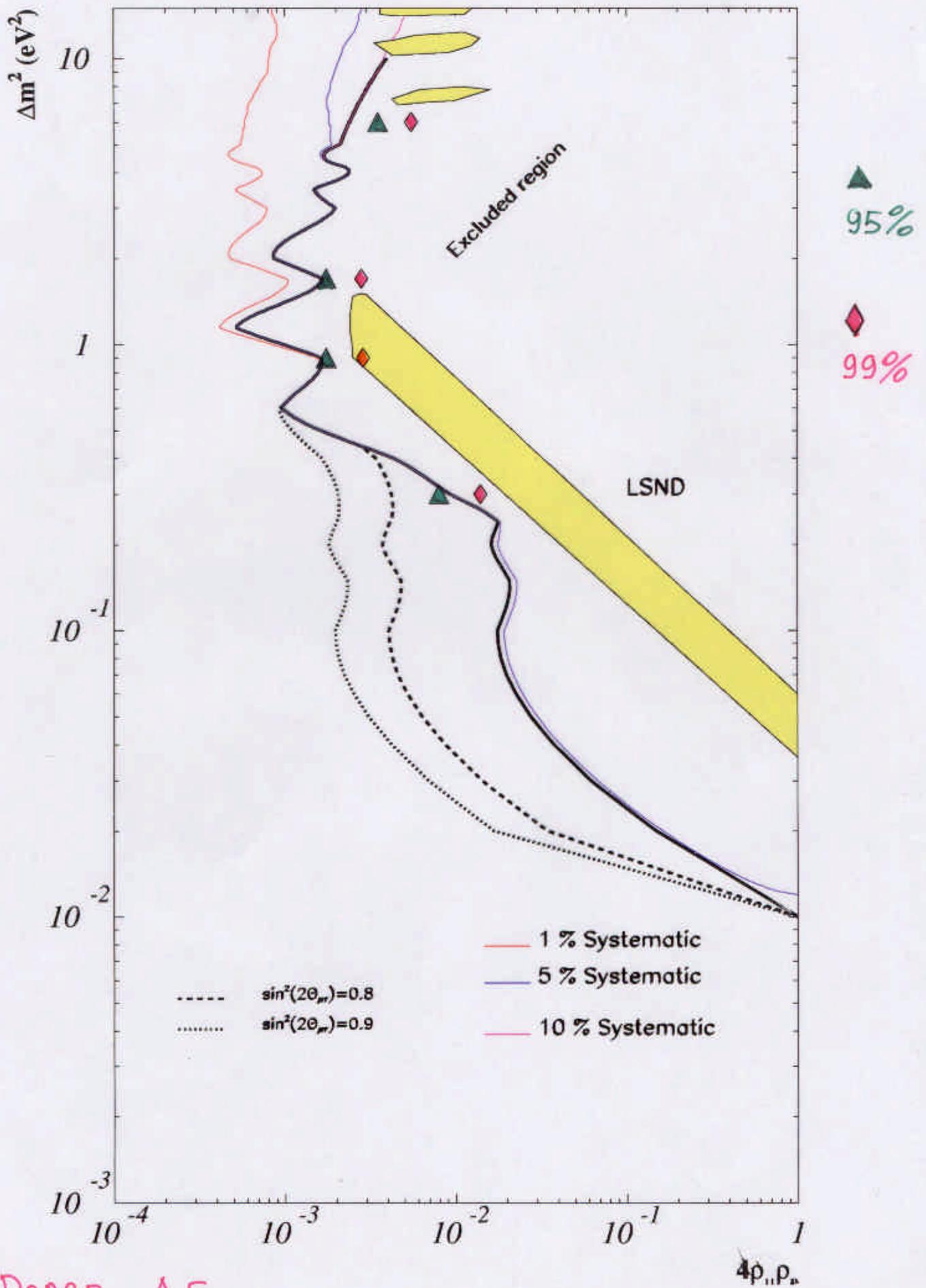
BUGEY

CDHS;
SK



ACTIVE NEUTRINOS

INTRODUCTION
OF ADDITIONAL
STERILE NEUTRINOS
DOES NOT CHANGE
SITUATION
SUBSTANTIALY



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ν_s IN SOLAR NEUTRINOS

SMA $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$ CONVERSION:

- SMALL ($< 2\%$) \mathcal{D} -N ASYMMETRY
- $[CC]_{SNO} \approx R_{SK}$
- $\frac{[NC]}{[CC]} \approx 1$
- TURN DOWN OF SPECTRUM DISTORTION CURVE AT SMALL ENERGIES