

Non-Standard Effects in Neutrino Oscillations

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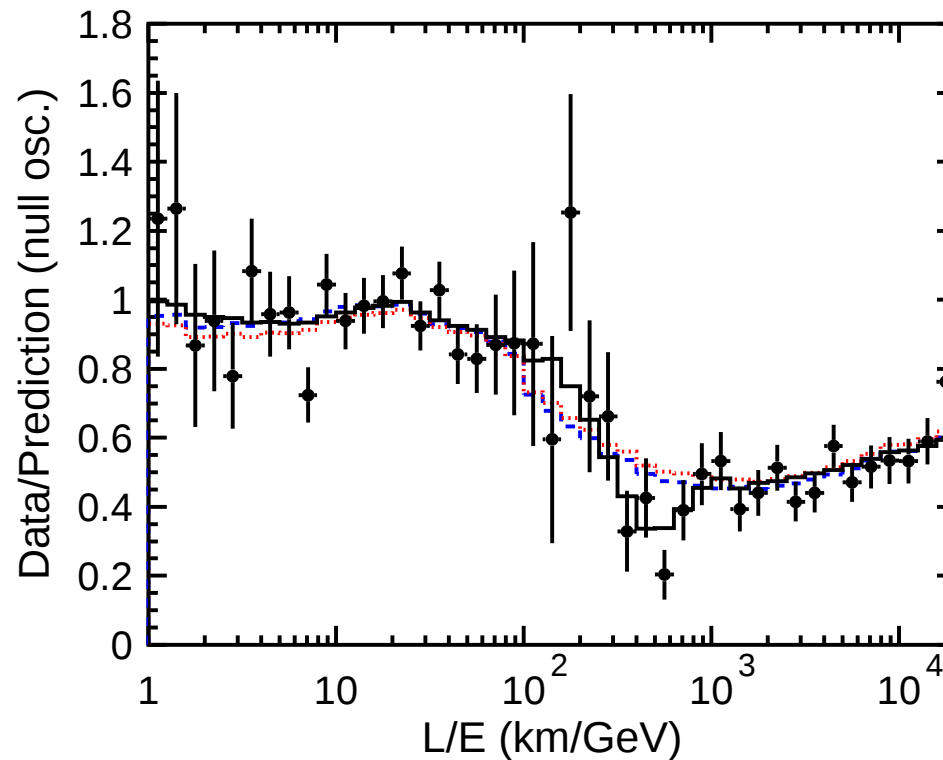
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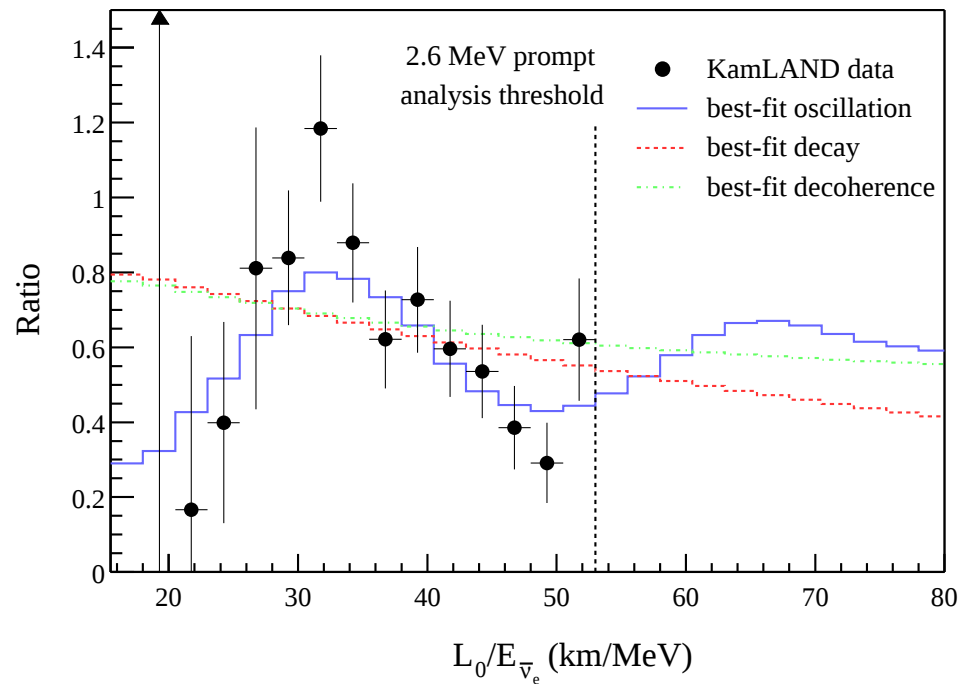


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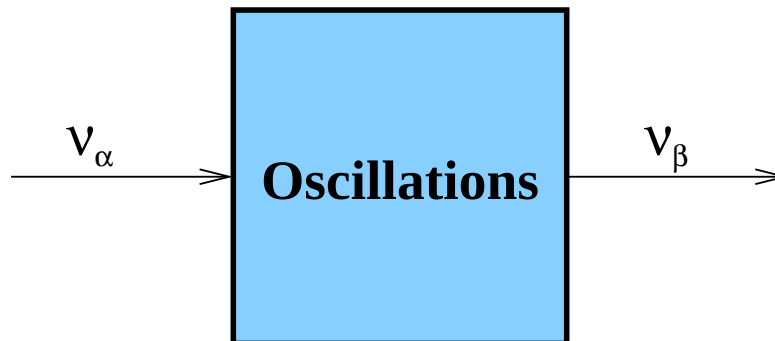
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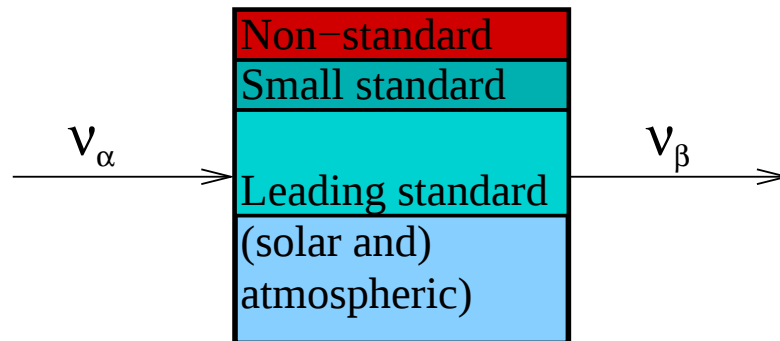
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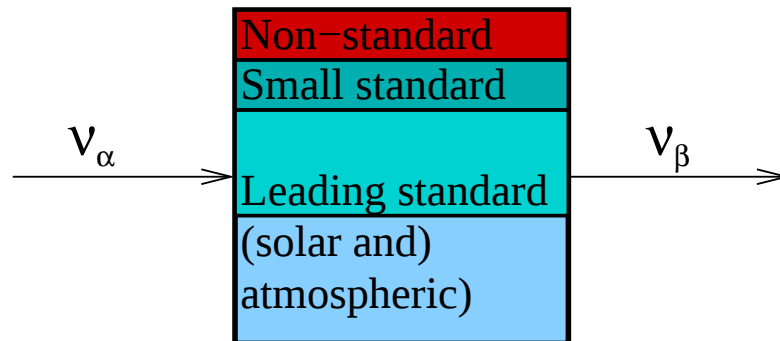
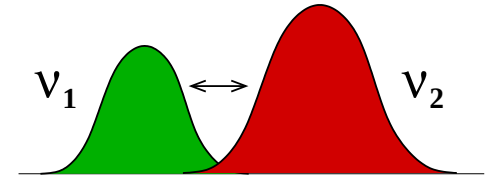
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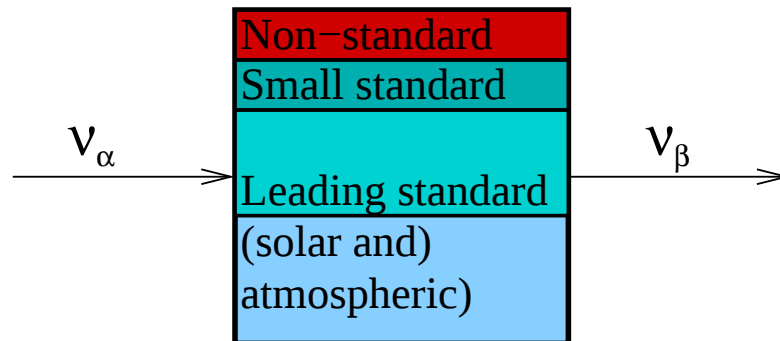
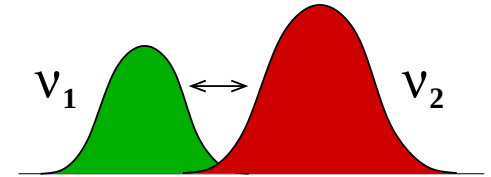
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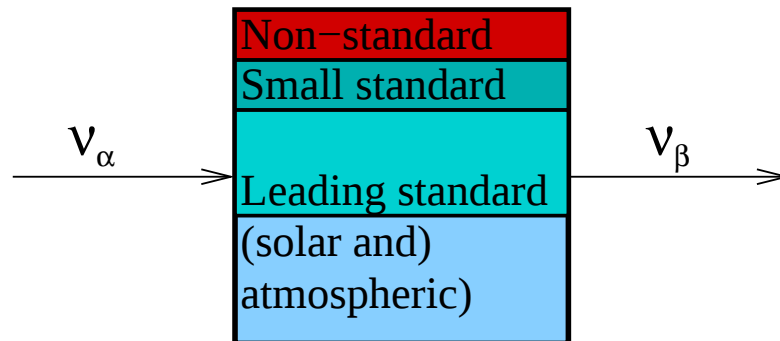
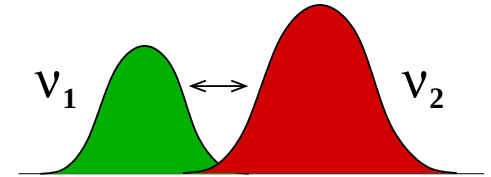
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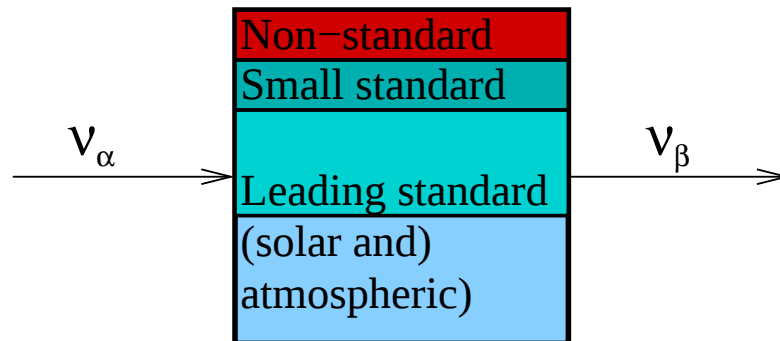
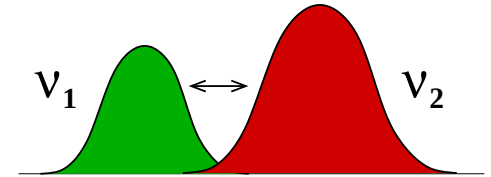
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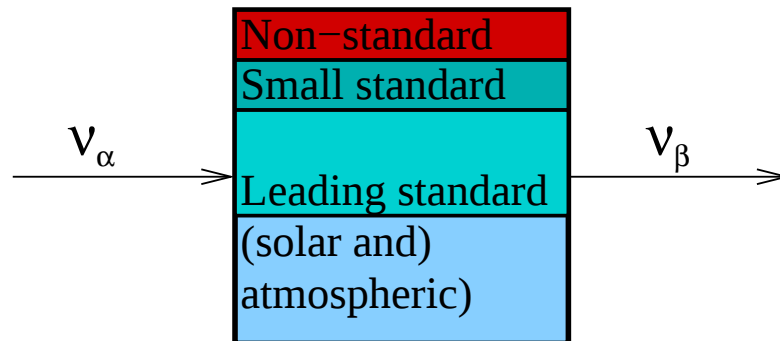
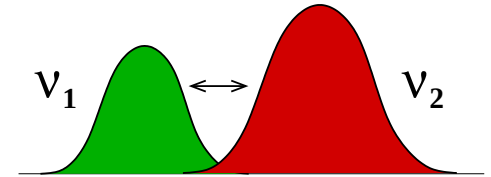
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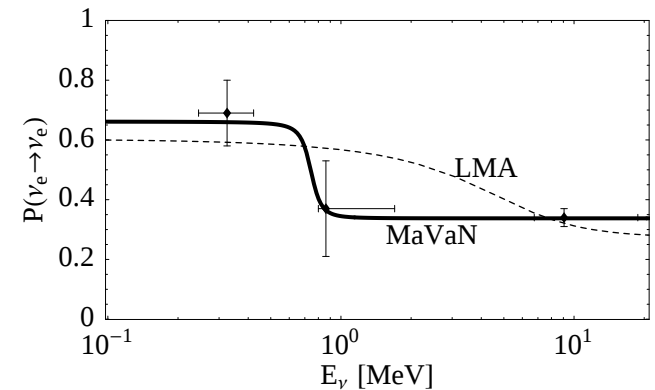
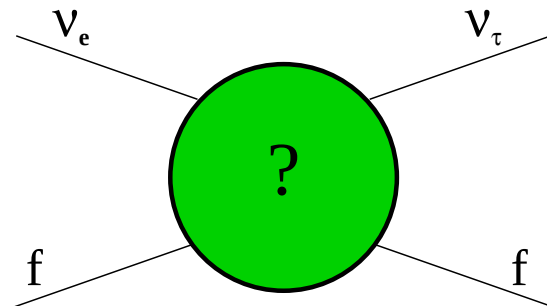
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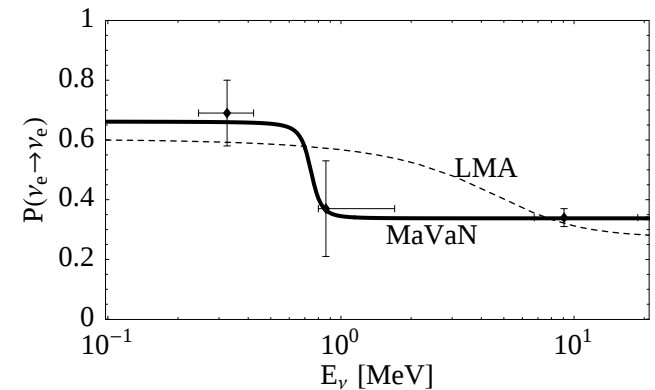
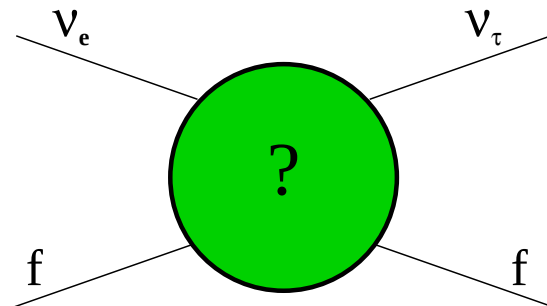
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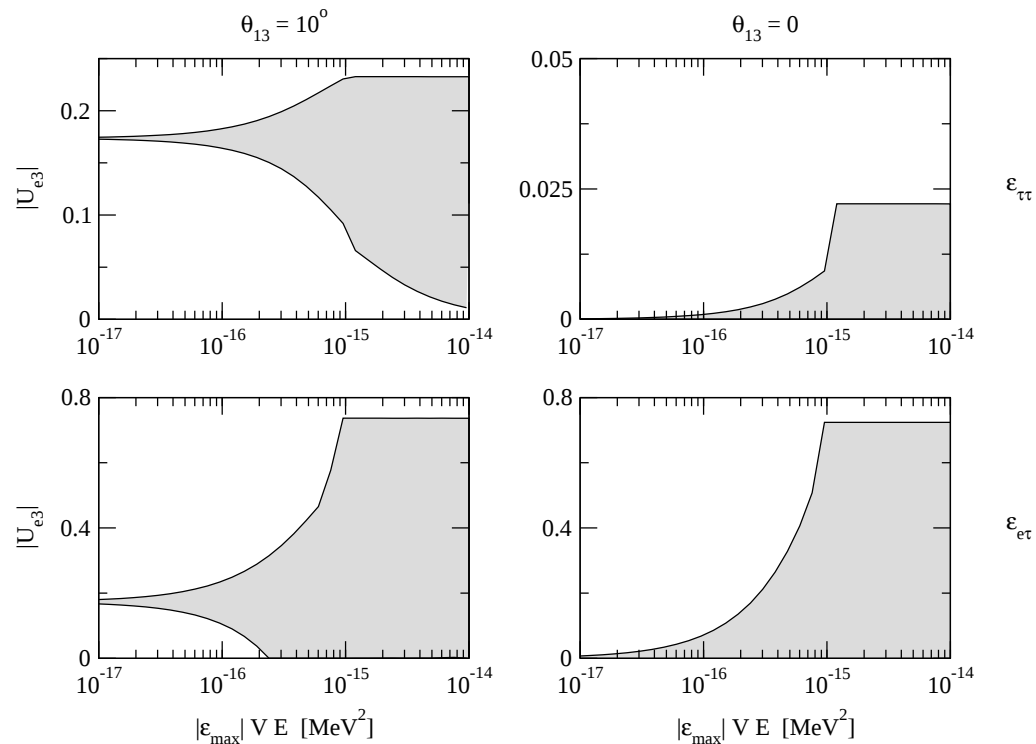
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See talk by Friedland.



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What NSI can do to U_{13}



MB, Ohlsson, Winter, hep-ph/0508175

See also:

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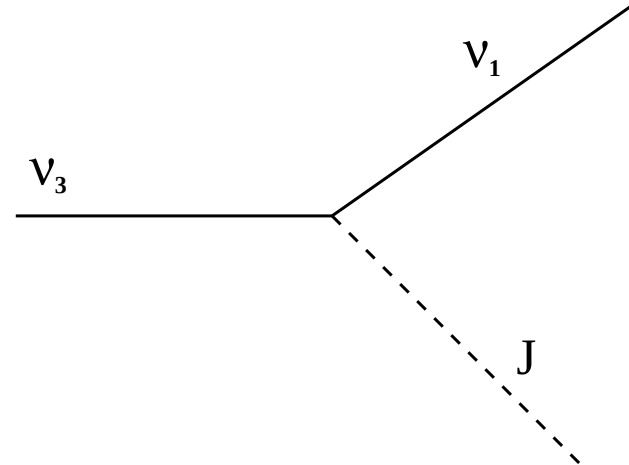
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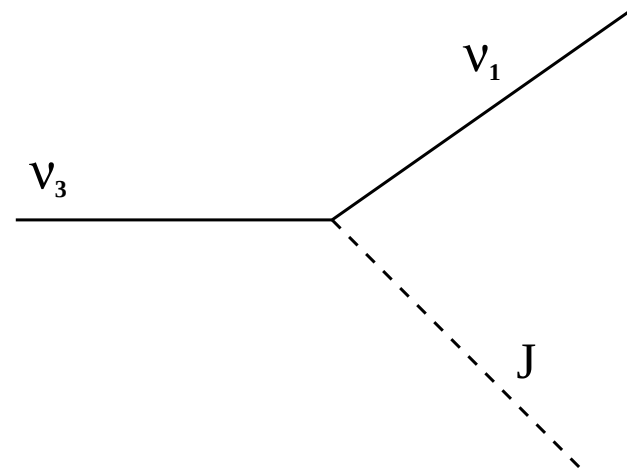
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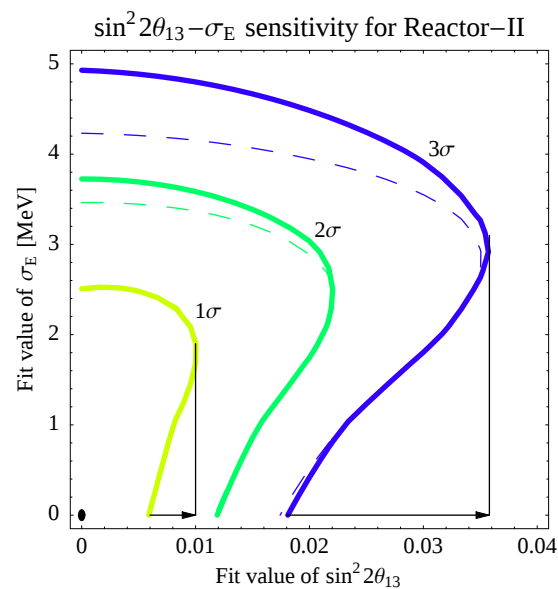
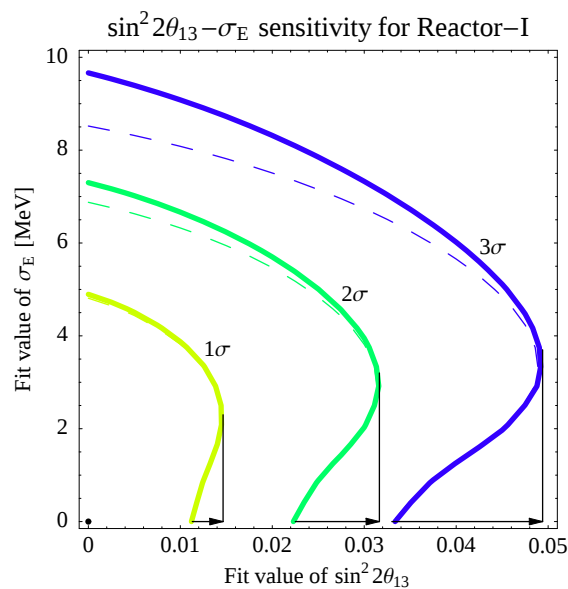
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Suppressing θ_{13}

- The result of including the wave-packet decoherence parameter at a **fictive two-detector reactor experiment**:



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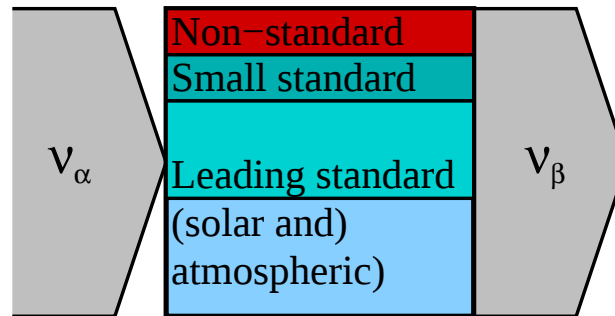
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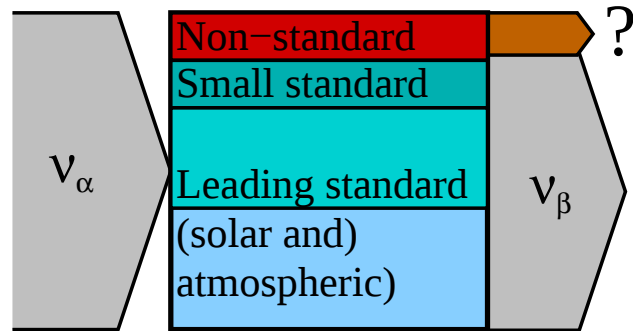
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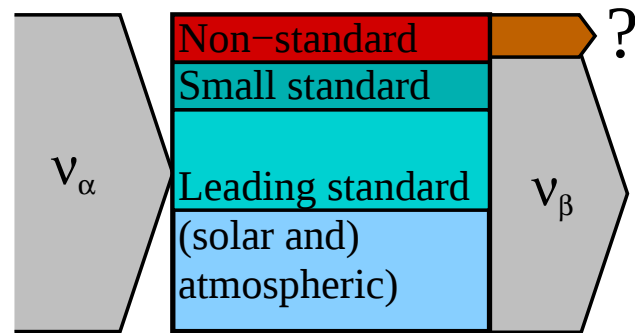
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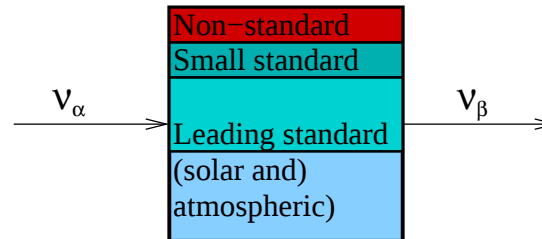


- Coherent effects are always probability conserving while incoherent effects can be either probability conserving (“**decoherence-like**”) or probability non-conserving (“**decay-like**”)



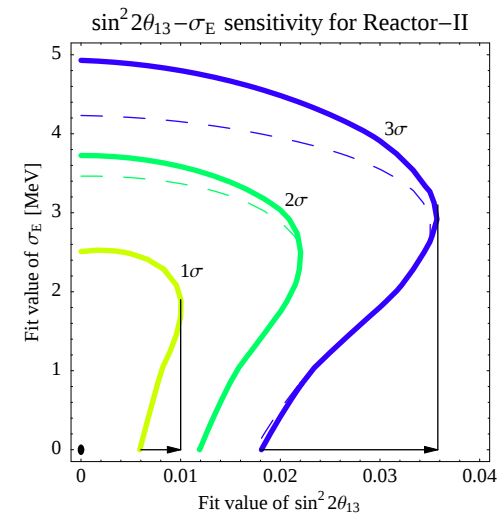
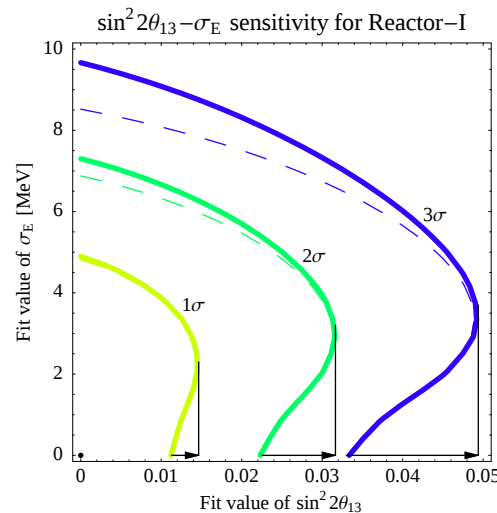
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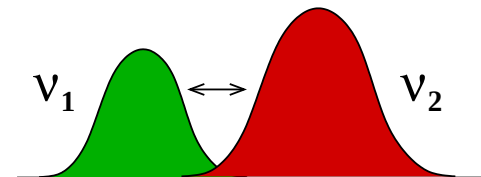
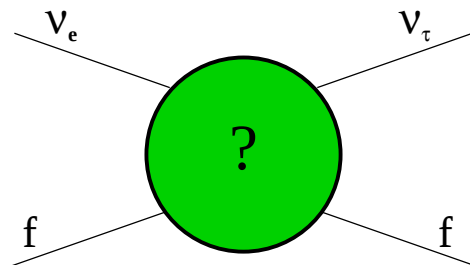
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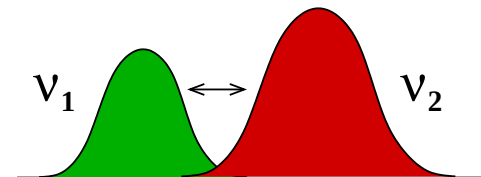
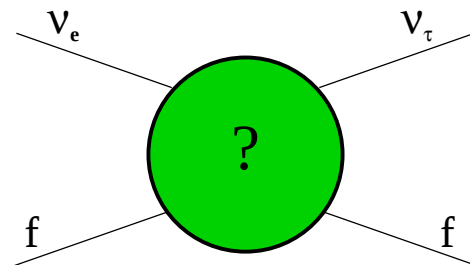
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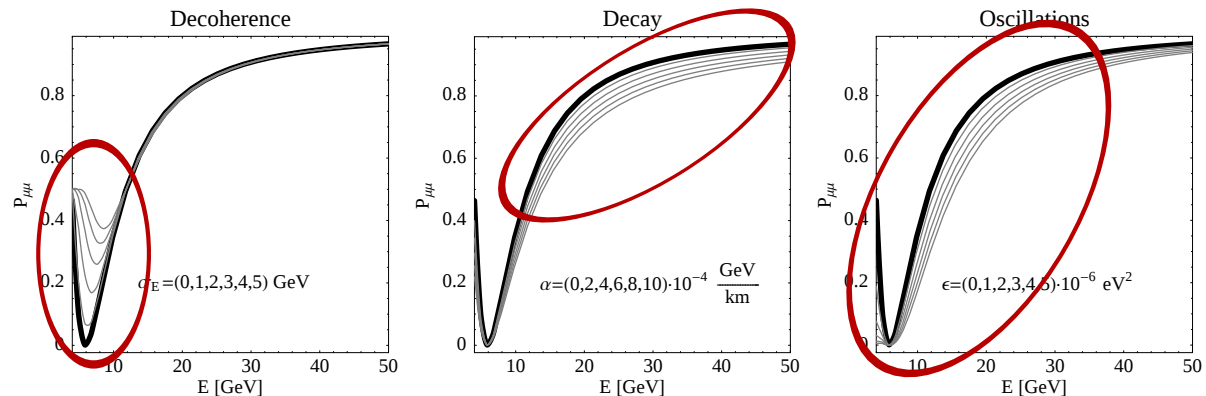
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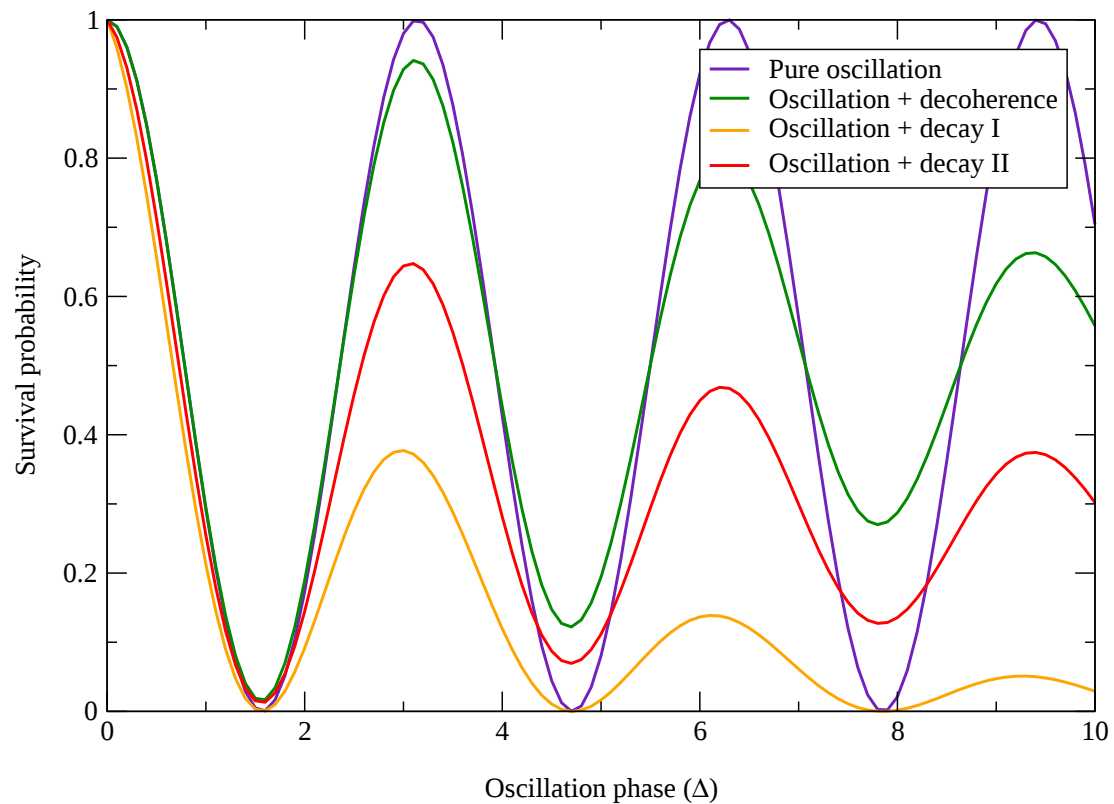
What type of effect?

- How to identify the specific effect?
- Baseline length fixed – no information on β
- Energy dependence is a better candidate
- For a neutrino factory with $L = 3000$ km:



Damped probabilities (2f)

The effect of damping on the neutrino survival probability $P_{\alpha\alpha}$:



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