

Neutrino Theory and Phenomenology

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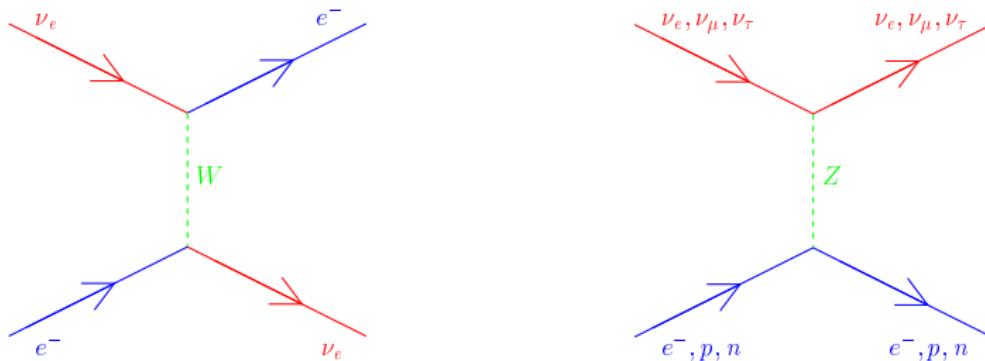
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Neutrino Oscillations in Matter

Effective Potentials in Matter

coherent interactions with medium: forward elastic CC and NC scattering



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Evolution of Neutrino Flavors in Matter

- ▶ Flavor neutrino ν_α with momentum p : $|\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle = \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* |\nu_k(p)\rangle$

- ▶ Evolution is determined by Hamiltonian

- ▶ Hamiltonian in vacuum: $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0$

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

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

- ▶ Schrödinger evolution equation: $i \frac{d}{dt} |\nu(p, t)\rangle = \mathcal{H} |\nu(p, t)\rangle$

- ▶ Initial condition: $|\nu(p, 0)\rangle = |\nu_\alpha(p)\rangle$

- ▶ For $t > 0$ the state $|\nu(p, t)\rangle$ is a superposition of all flavors:

$$|\nu(p, t)\rangle = \sum_\beta \varphi_\beta(p, t) |\nu_\beta(p)\rangle$$

- ▶ Transition probability: $P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = |\varphi_\beta|^2$

evolution equation of states

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

flavor transition amplitudes

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

evolution of flavor transition amplitudes

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

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

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$$\langle \nu_\beta(p) | \mathcal{H}_0 | \nu(p, t) \rangle =$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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irrelevant common phase

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & -\sin \vartheta_M \\ \sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta + 2A_{CC} & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & \sin \vartheta_M \\ -\sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} = \\ = \begin{pmatrix} A_{CC} - \Delta m_M^2 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{CC} + \Delta m_M^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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irrelevant common phase

Effective Mixing Angle in Matter

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

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 ($\vartheta_M = \pi/4$)

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

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

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

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

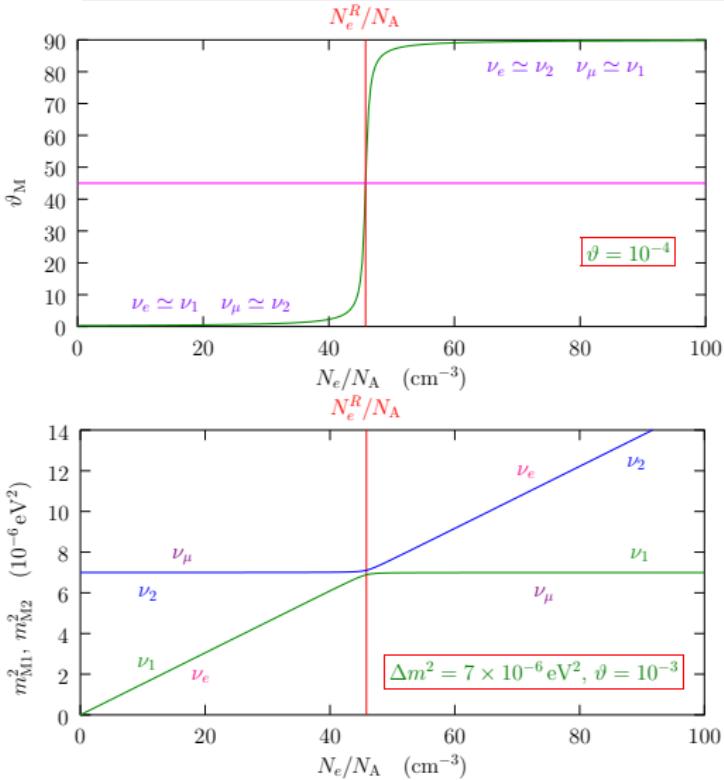
$$\psi_1^M(x) = \cos \vartheta_M \exp \left(i \frac{\Delta m_M^2 x}{4E} \right)$$

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

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

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

MSW Effect (Resonant Transitions in Matter)



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

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

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

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

tentative diagonalization: $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & \sin \vartheta_M \\ -\sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1^M \\ \psi_2^M \end{pmatrix}$

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & \sin \vartheta_M \\ -\sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1^M \\ \psi_2^M \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta + 2A_{CC} & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\vartheta & \Delta m^2 \cos 2\vartheta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta_M & \sin \vartheta_M \\ -\sin \vartheta_M & \cos \vartheta_M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1^M \\ \psi_2^M \end{pmatrix}$$

if matter density is not constant $d\vartheta_M/dx \neq 0$

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

irrelevant common phase

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

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 adiabatic

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 non-adiabatic
 maximum at resonance

initial conditions:

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

solution approximating all non-adiabatic $\nu_1^M \leftrightarrow \nu_2^M$ transitions in resonance

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_1^M(x) &\simeq \left[\cos \vartheta_M^0 \exp \left(i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{11}^R + \sin \vartheta_M^0 \exp \left(-i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{21}^R \right] \\ &\quad \times \exp \left(i \int_{x_R}^x \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \\ \psi_2^M(x) &\simeq \left[\cos \vartheta_M^0 \exp \left(i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{12}^R + \sin \vartheta_M^0 \exp \left(-i \int_0^{x_R} \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \mathcal{A}_{22}^R \right] \\ &\quad \times \exp \left(-i \int_{x_R}^x \frac{\Delta m_M^2(x')}{4E} dx' \right) \end{aligned}$$

Averaged ν_e Survival Probability on Earth

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

neglect interference (averaged over energy spectrum)

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

conservation of probability (unitarity)

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

$P_c \equiv$ crossing probability

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

[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]

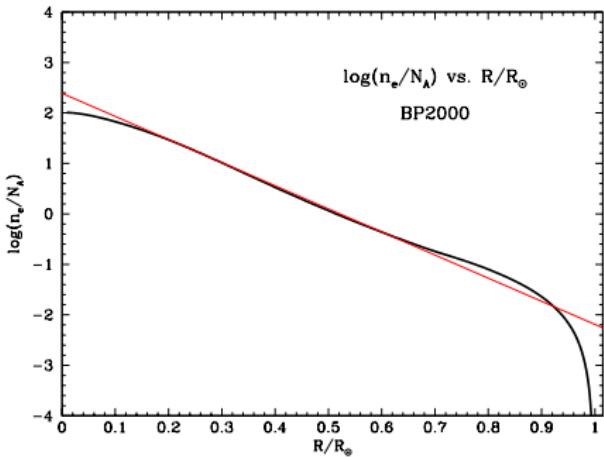
[Petcov, PLB 200 (1988) 373]

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

Solar Neutrinos

SUN: $N_e(x) \simeq N_e^c \exp\left(-\frac{x}{x_0}\right)$

$$N_e^c = 245 \text{ } N_A/\text{cm}^3 \quad x_0 = \frac{R_\odot}{10.54}$$



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

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

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

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

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

practical prescription:

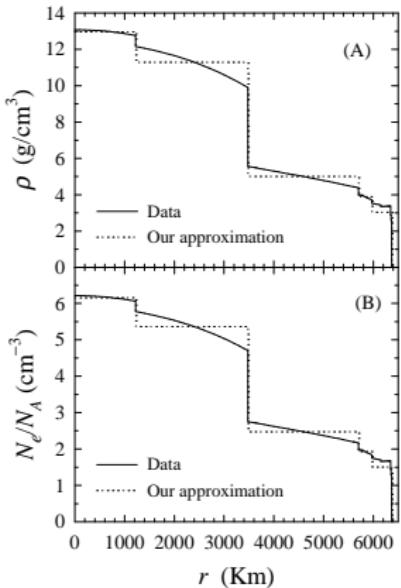
[Lisi et al., PRD 63 (2001) 093002]

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

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):

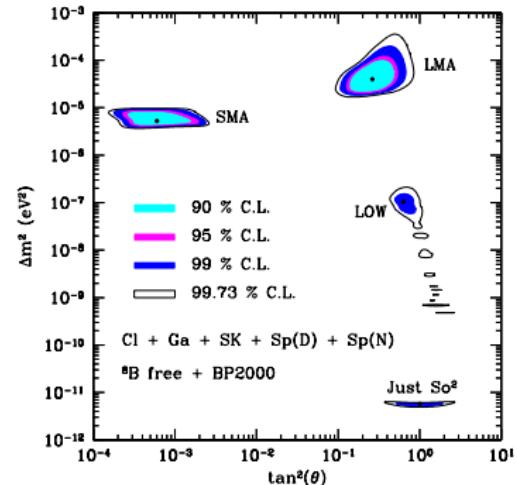
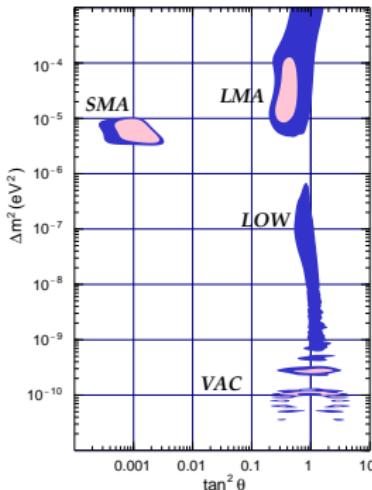
LOW (LOW Δm^2):

SMA (Small Mixing Angle):

QVO (Quasi-Vacuum Oscillations):

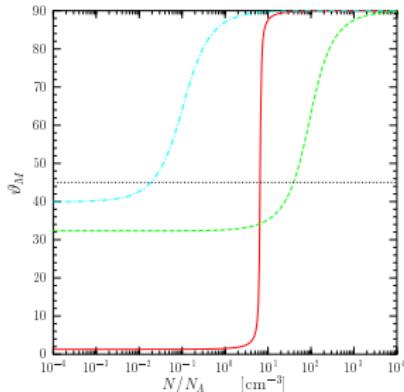
VAC (VACuum oscillations):

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



[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)

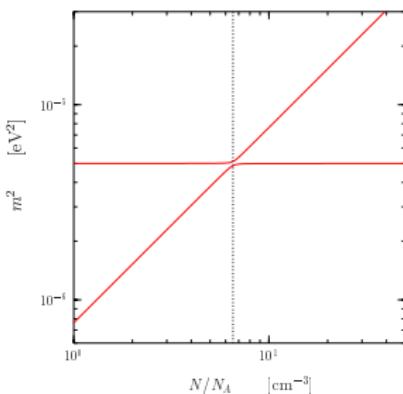
$$\Delta m^2 = 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

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

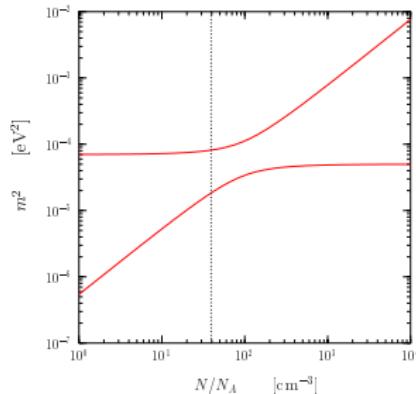
dash-dotted line:
(typical LOW)

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

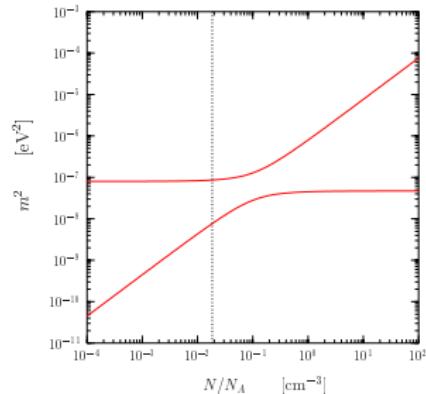
$$\tan^2 \vartheta = 0.7$$



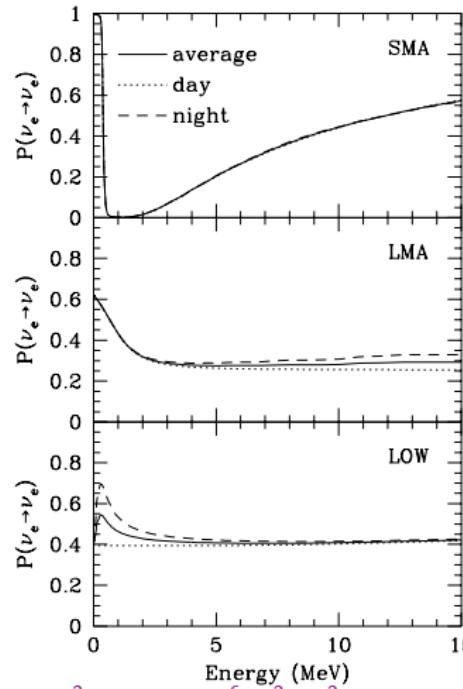
typical SMA



typical LMA



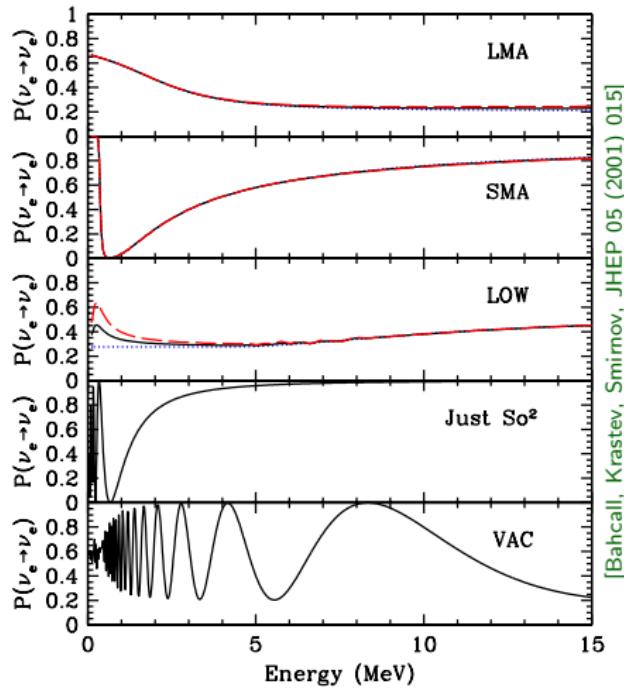
typical LOW



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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

SNO: Sudbury Neutrino Observatory

water Cherenkov detector, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada

1 kton of D₂O, 9456 20-cm PMTs

2073 m underground, 6010 m.w.e.

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

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

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

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

D₂O phase: 1999 – 2001

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

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

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

[PRL 89 (2002) 011301]

NaCl phase: 2001 – 2002

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

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

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

[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



Neutrino Physics
(April 2002)

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

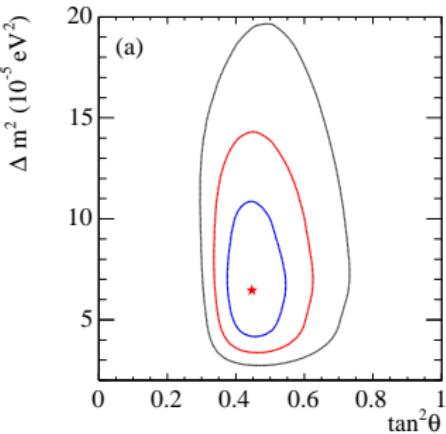
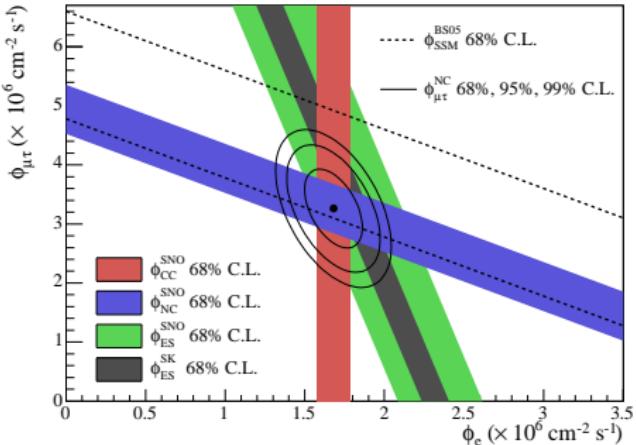
$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$ oscillations



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.):

expected number of background events:

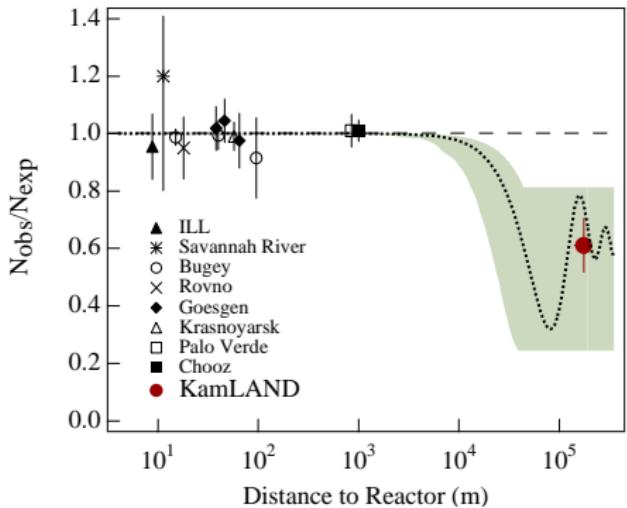
observed number of neutrino events:

$$\begin{aligned}N_{\text{expected}}^{\text{KamLAND}} &= 86.8 \pm 5.6 \\N_{\text{background}}^{\text{KamLAND}} &= 0.95 \pm 0.99 \\N_{\text{observed}}^{\text{KamLAND}} &= 54\end{aligned}$$

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

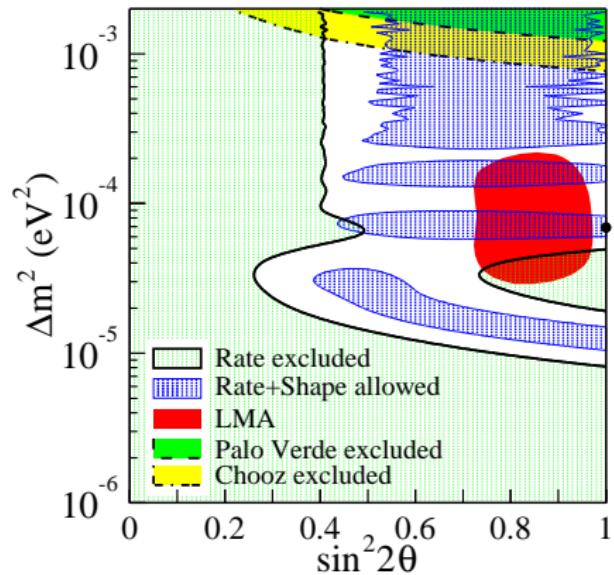
99.95% C.L. evidence
of $\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance

confirmation of LMA (December 2002)



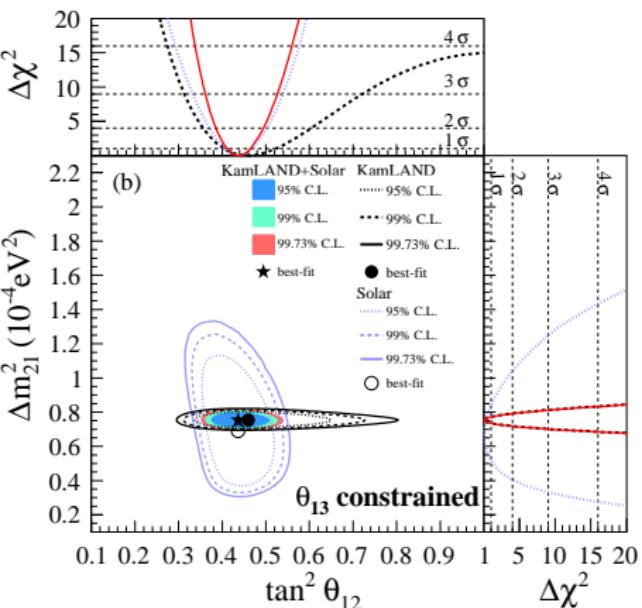
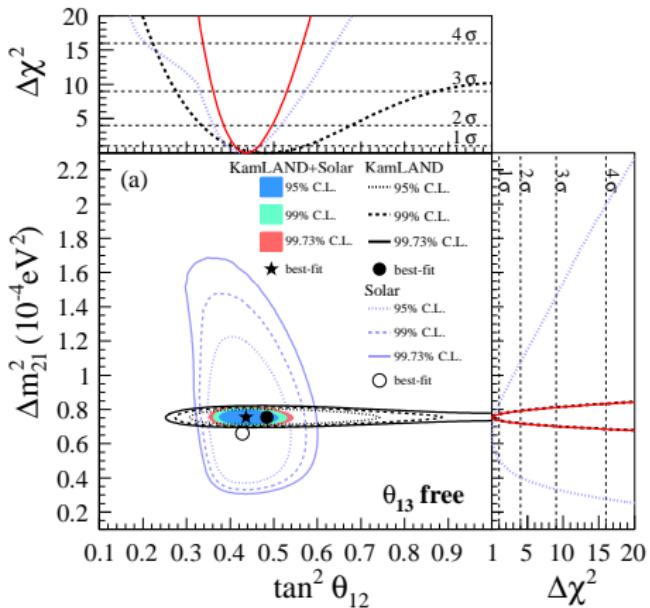
Shade: 95% C.L. LMA

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]



$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.53^{+0.19}_{-0.18} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\tan^2 \vartheta_{12} = 0.437^{+0.029}_{-0.026}$$

$$\sin^2 \vartheta_{13} = 0.023 \pm 0.015$$

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[KamLAND, arXiv:1303.4667]

LMA Solar Neutrino Oscillations

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

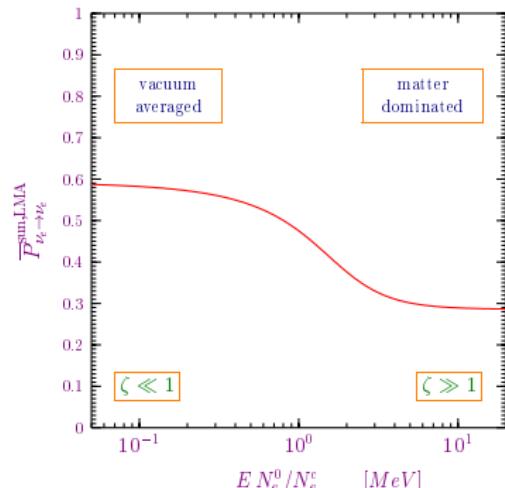
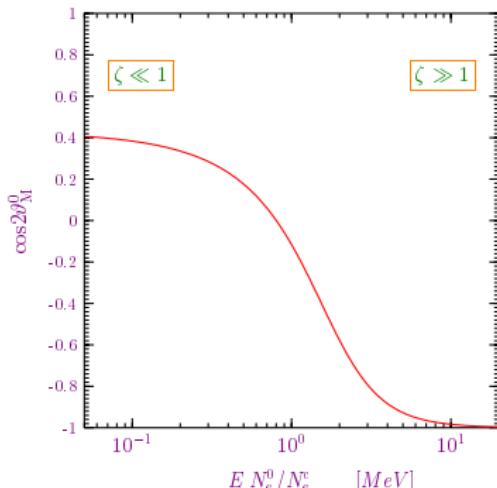
critical parameter [Bahcall, Peña-Garay, hep-ph/0305159]

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

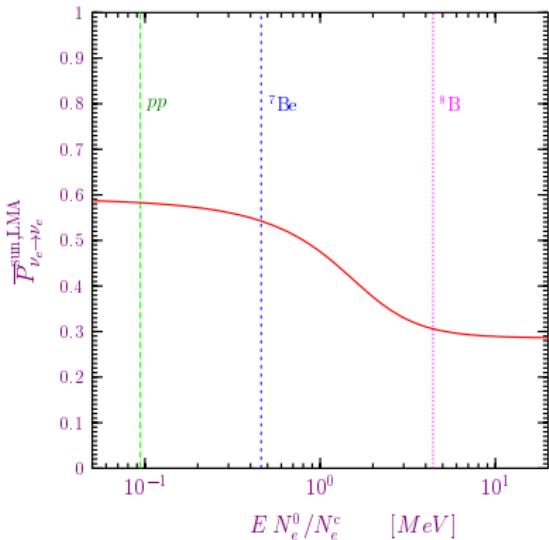
$$\zeta \ll 1 \implies \vartheta_M^0 \simeq \vartheta \implies \bar{P}_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e}^{\text{sun}} \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\vartheta$$

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 ϑ
 accurate *pp* experiment can improve determination of ϑ

[Bahcall, Peña-Garay, hep-ph/0305159]

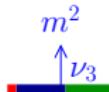
Mass Hierarchy

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

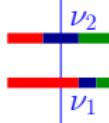


$$|\Delta m_{31}^2|$$

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

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



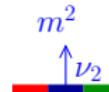
Inverted Hierarchy

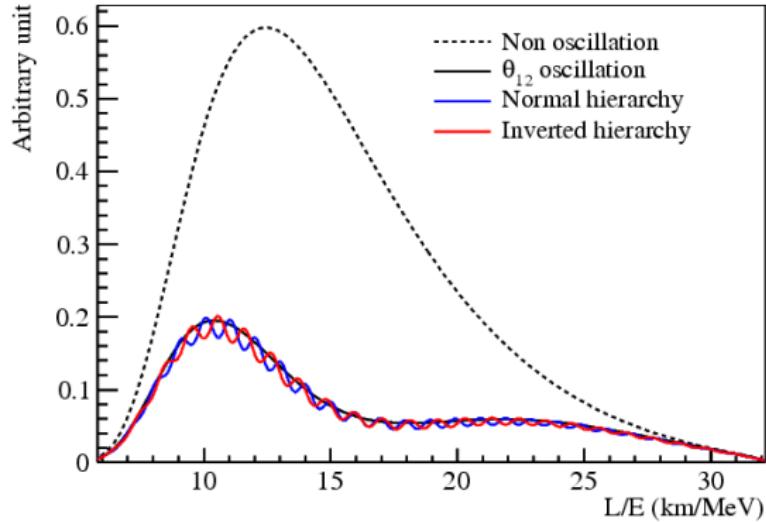
$$|\Delta m_{31}^2|$$

||

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

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





$$F(L/E) = \phi(E)\sigma(E)P_{ee}(L/E)$$

$$P_{ee}(L/E) = 1 - P_{21} - P_{31} - P_{32}$$

$$P_{21} = \cos^4(\theta_{13}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

$$P_{31} = \cos^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{31})$$

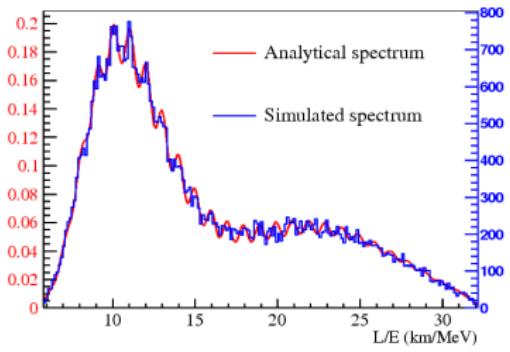
$$P_{32} = \sin^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{32})$$

$$\Delta_{21} \ll \Delta_{31} \approx \Delta_{32}$$

S.T. Petcov et al., PLB533(2002)94
 S.Choubey et al., PRD68(2003)113006
 J. Learned et al., hep-ex/0612022

L. Zhan, Y. Wang, J. Cao, L. Wen,
 PRD78:111103, 2008
 PRD79:073007, 2009

Precision energy spectrum measurement: Looking for interference between P_{31} and P_{32}
 ➔ relative measurement



[Miao He, NuFact 2013]

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

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

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

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