Long Baseline Neutrinos - 2

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Lecture 2 Outline

• Three neutrinos

- Oscillation probability
- Matter effects

• Experimental Techniques :

- Signals and ambiguities for measuring θ_{13} and δ_{CP} and the neutrino mass hierarchy
- Understanding sensitivity calculations
- Experiment baseline
- Neutrino beam configurations

Experimental Landscape

- *Reactor Experiments : v disappearance* (Ed Blucher lecture)
- V appearance : T2K, NOvA, LBNE
- Experiment Timelines

Lecture 2 Outline cont.

- Beyond conventional beams?
- New results to keep an eye on
- Conclusions

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Always check with an experiment's official documentation to get the most up to date information.

Three neutrinos : θ_{13} and δ_{cr}

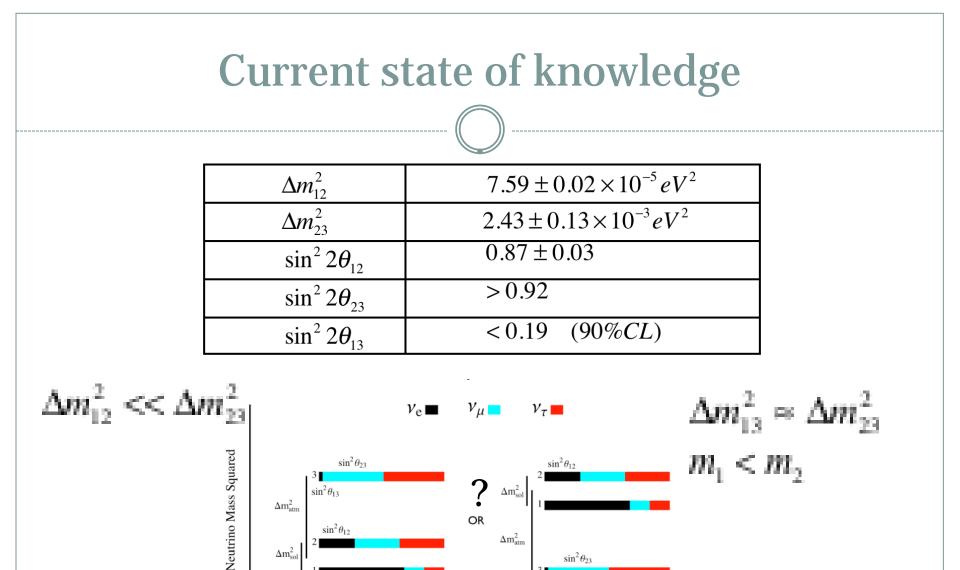
OSCILLATION PROBABILITY

MATTER EFFECTS

Features of the matrix atmospheric and accelerator V_n disapp $\begin{array}{ccc} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 \\ c_{23} & s_{23} \\ -s_{33} & c_{33} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$ U =solar V, and reactor V, disappearance • Two component mixing • Complex phase δ and θ_{11}

Now consider the case of all three neutrinos :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{e} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\mu} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{1} \\ \mathbf{v}_{2} \\ \mathbf{v}_{3} \end{pmatrix}$$



Fractional Flavor Content

 Δm_{atm}^2

 $\sin^2\theta_{23}$

INVERTED

 $\sin^2\theta_{13}$

 $\sin^2 \theta_1$

NORMAL

 Δm_{so}^2

Oscillation Probability with 3 flavors

 $\alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau$

$$P(v_{\alpha} \rightarrow v_{\beta}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{i>j} \Re(U_{\alpha}^{*}U_{\beta}U_{\alpha j}U_{\beta j}^{*}) \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{ij}^{2}L/4E)$$

+
$$2 \sum_{i>j} \Im(U_{\alpha}^{*}U_{\beta i}U_{\alpha j}U_{\beta j}^{*}) \sin(\Delta m_{ij}^{2}L/2E)$$

$$P(v_{\alpha} \rightarrow v_{\beta}) = P_{\alpha\beta}(\Delta m_{21}^{2}, \Delta m_{21}^{2}, \theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{22}, \delta; E, L)$$

3- v Oscillation Probability

 $P(v_{\alpha} \rightarrow v_{\beta}) = P_{\alpha\beta}(\Delta m_{21}^{2}, \Delta m_{31}^{2}, \theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}, \delta; E, L) \qquad \alpha, \beta = e, \mu, \tau$

Ignore the small Δm_{21}^2

$$\begin{aligned} P(v_{\mu} \to v_{\tau}) &= \sin^{2} 2\theta_{23} \cos^{4}(\theta_{13}) \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{32}^{2}L/4E) \\ P(v_{\mu} \to v_{\tau}) &= \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \sin^{2}(\theta_{23}) \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{32}^{2}L/4E) \\ P(v_{\tau} \to v_{\mu}) &= \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \sin^{2}(\theta_{23}) \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{32}^{2}L/4E) \\ P(v_{\tau} \to v_{\tau}) &= \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \cos^{2}(\theta_{23}) \sin^{2}(\Delta m_{32}^{2}L/4E) \end{aligned}$$

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 Oscillation Probability

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And small θ_{13}

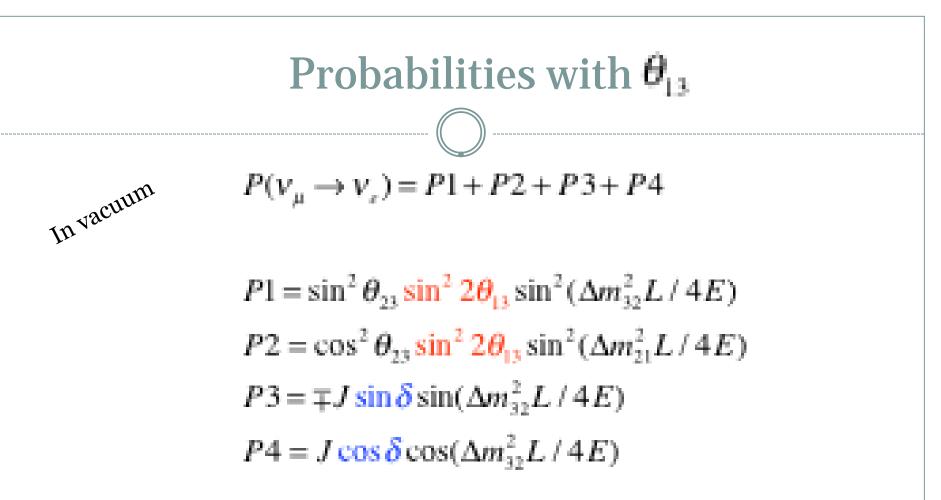
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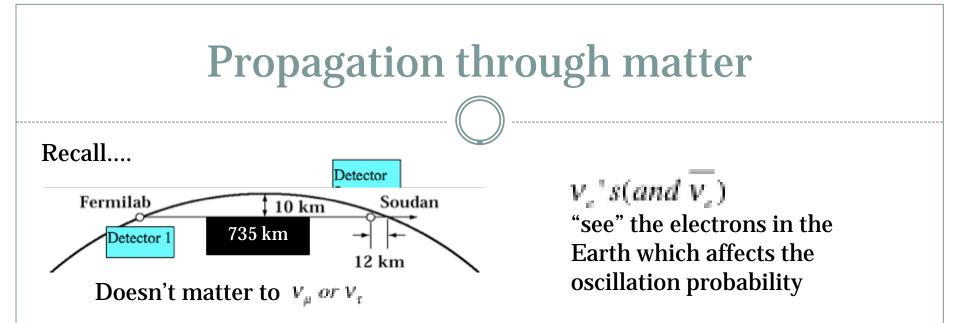
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But we need to ask how small θ_{13} really is?
Can we measure it?



 $J = \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23}$ $\times \sin(\Delta m_{32}^2 L / 4E) \sin(\Delta m_{21}^2 L / 4E)$



And the probability equation is quite complicated......

There are a number of different ways that it can be expressed using approximations and expansions....

A popular approximation

$$P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}) \cong \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13}T_{1} - \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13}T_{2} + \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13}T_{3} + \alpha^{2}T4$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2}}{\Delta m_{31}^{2}} \sim \frac{1}{30} \qquad \Delta = \Delta m_{31}^{2}L / 4E \qquad x = 2\sqrt{2}G_{F}N_{e} / \Delta m_{31}^{2}$$

$$T_{1} = \sin^{2}\theta_{23}\frac{\sin^{2}[(1-x)\Delta}{(1-x)^{2}}$$

$$T_{2} = \sin\delta\sin2\theta_{12}\sin2\theta_{23}\sin\Delta\frac{\sin(x\Delta)}{x}\frac{\sin[(1-x)\Delta]}{(1-x)}$$

$$T_{3} = \cos\delta\sin2\theta_{12}\sin2\theta_{23}\cos\Delta\frac{\sin(x\Delta)}{x}\frac{\sin[(1-x)\Delta]}{(1-x)}$$

$$T_{4} = \cos^{2}\theta_{23}\sin^{2}2\theta_{12}\frac{\sin^{2}(x\Delta)}{x^{2}}$$
Anti-neutrinos

$$\delta \rightarrow -\delta; x \rightarrow -x$$

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Easiest way to understand it – code it up and make some plots.....

One more.....

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) = \sin^{2} \theta_{23} \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \frac{\sin^{2} (\Delta_{31} - aL)}{(\Delta_{31} - aL)^{2}} \Delta_{31}^{2}$$

$$+ \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin(\Delta_{31} - aL)}{(\Delta_{31} - aL)} \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin(aL)}{aL} \Delta_{21} \cos(\Delta_{31} + \delta)$$

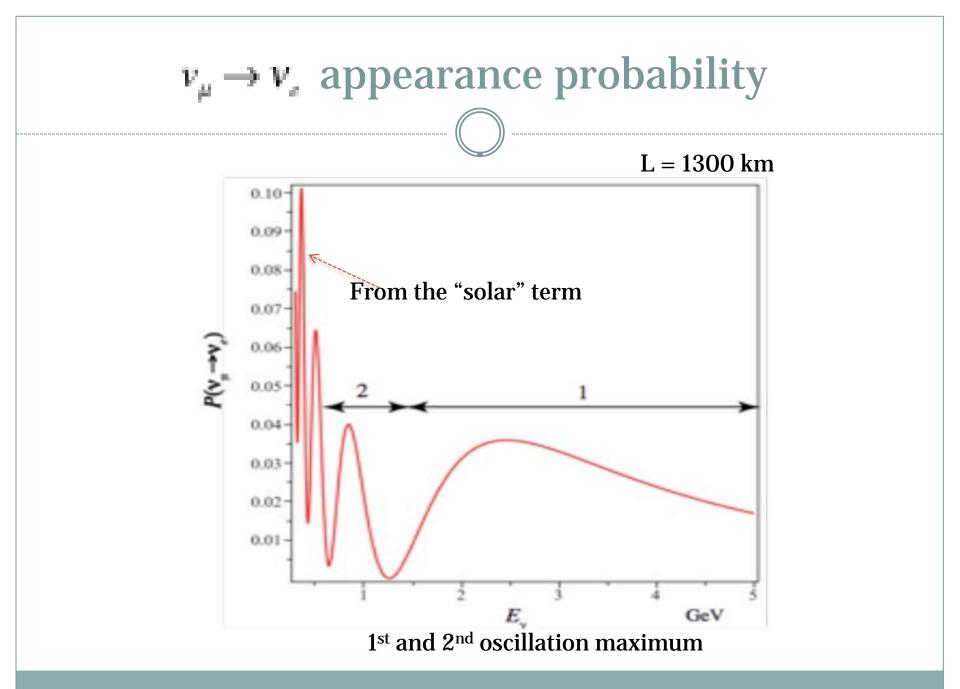
$$+ \cos^{2} \theta_{23} \sin^{2} 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^{2} (aL)}{(aL)^{2}} \Delta_{21}^{2}$$

$$\Delta_{ab} = \Delta m_{ab}^{2} \frac{L}{4E} \approx 1.27 \Delta m_{ab}^{2} (eV^{2}) \frac{L(km)}{E(GeV)}$$

$$a = G_{F} N_{e} / \sqrt{2}$$

Code it up and plot it....

arXiv:0710.0554v2(2008) Nunokawa, Parke, Valle CP Violation and Neutrino Oscillations



Experimental Implications

IS $\theta_{13} \neq 0$?

AMBIGUITIES

SENSITIVITY CALCULATIONS

THE EXPERIMENT BASELINE

NEUTRINO BEAM CONFIGURATIONS

Can an experiment determine if $\theta_{13} \neq 0$?

- What would we expect to measure if $\theta_{13} = 0$? (null)
 - \circ Intrinsic V_{μ} in the beam
 - **V** from the θ_{12} mixing
 - Background events that fake V
- Calculate what we would expect to measure for a particular value of θ_{13} and δ
- Need a significance of events above the null expectation

$$\chi^2 = \frac{\left(N_{null}^{pred} - N_{\theta_0,\delta}^{pred}\right)^2}{\sigma^2}$$

Statistical and systematic uncertainty in the prediction

The Experimental Landscape for measuring

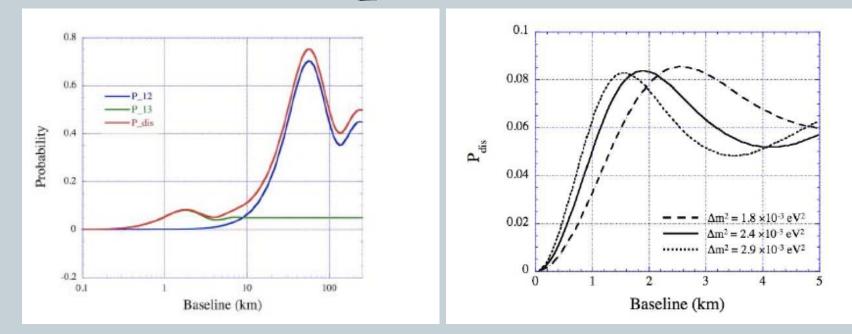
REACTOR EXPERIMENTS

ACCELERATOR LONG BASELINE :

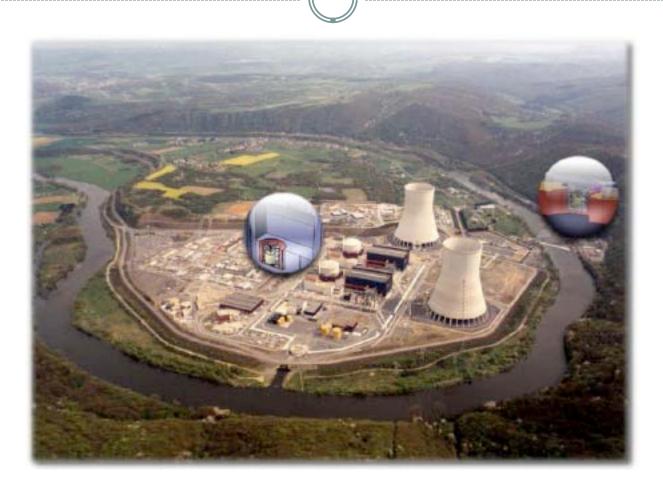
T2K, NOVA

• Measure $P(\overline{v_e} \rightarrow \overline{v_e})$ • $P_{sar} = 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21} - \cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{31}$

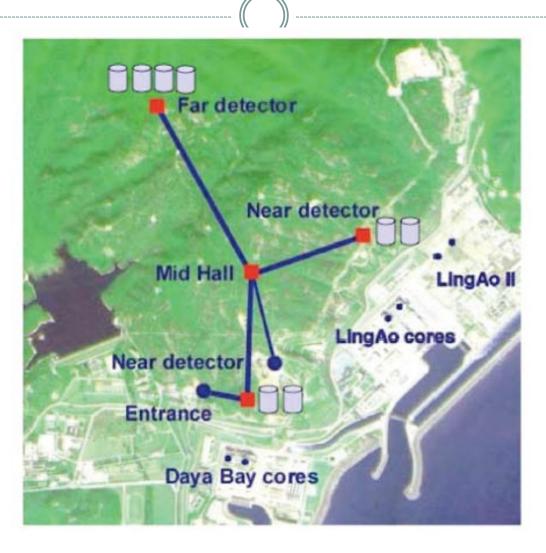
Independent of δ and θ_{23}

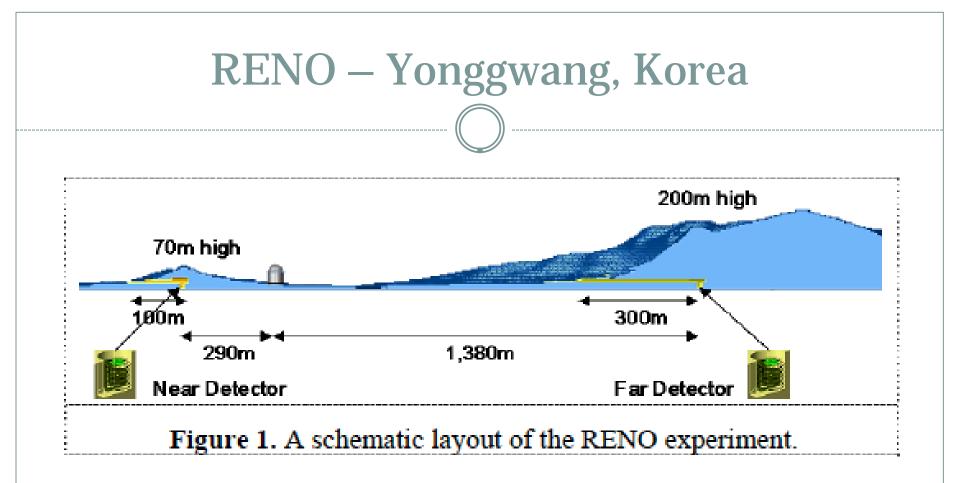


Double Chooz, Northeast France



Daya Bay, China





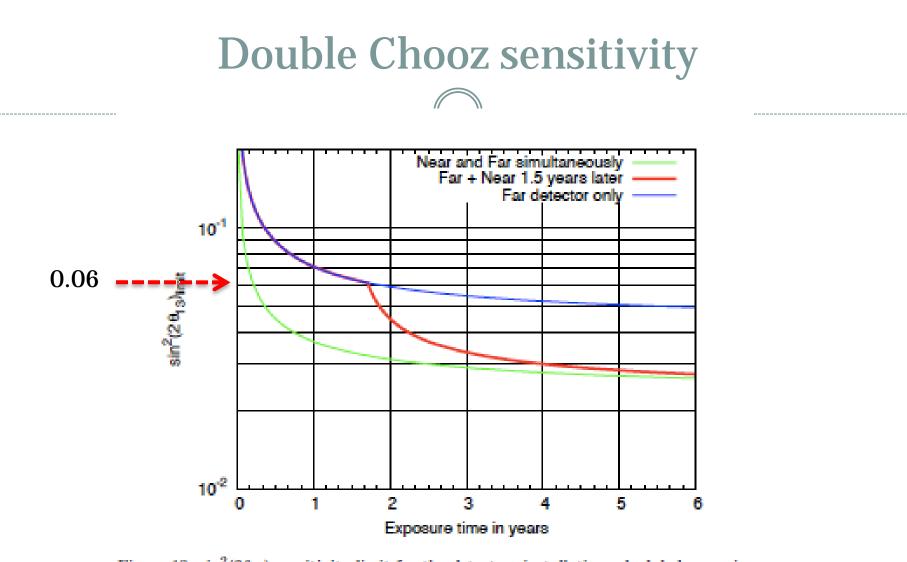
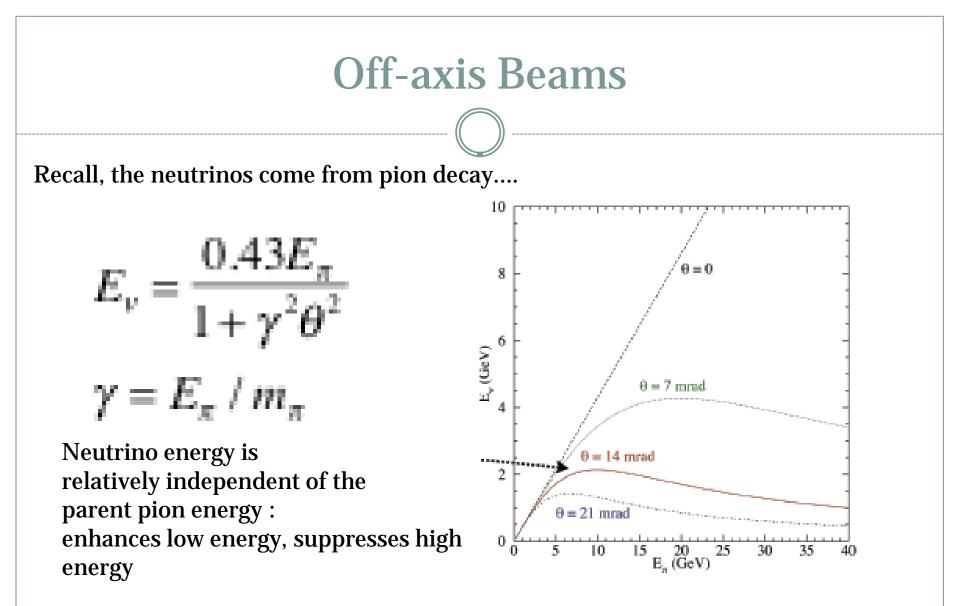
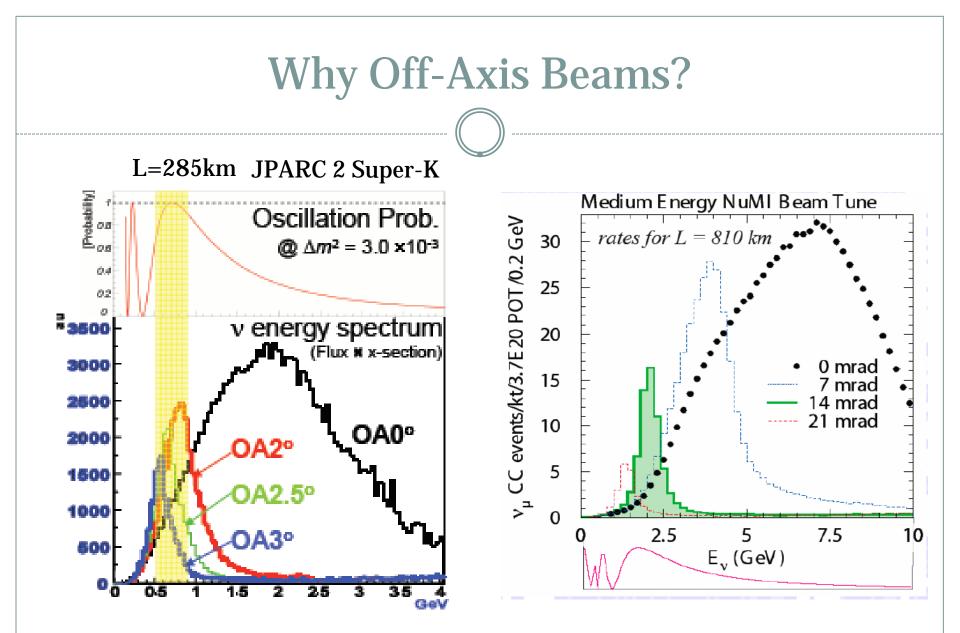


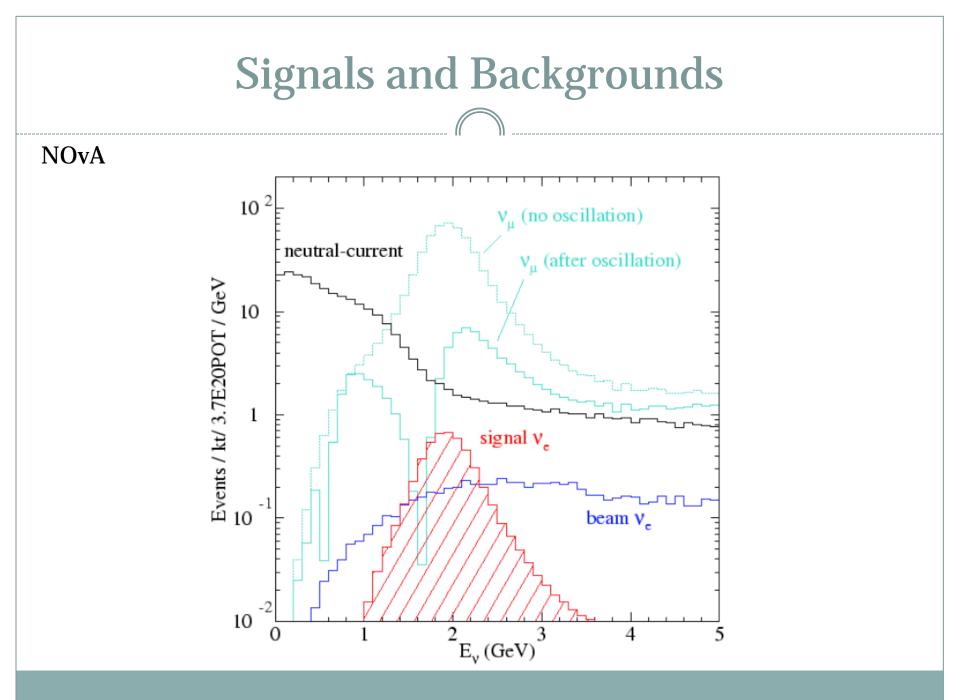
Figure 18: $\sin^2(2\theta_{13})$ sensitivity limit for the detectors installation scheduled scenario A positive result from Double Chooz $\rightarrow \sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ is relatively large

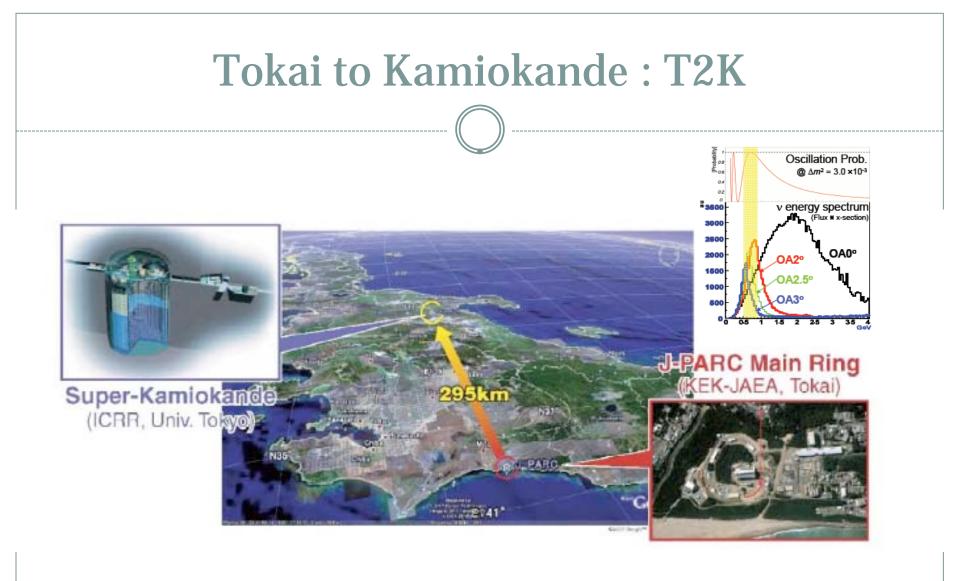
Long-baseline experiments

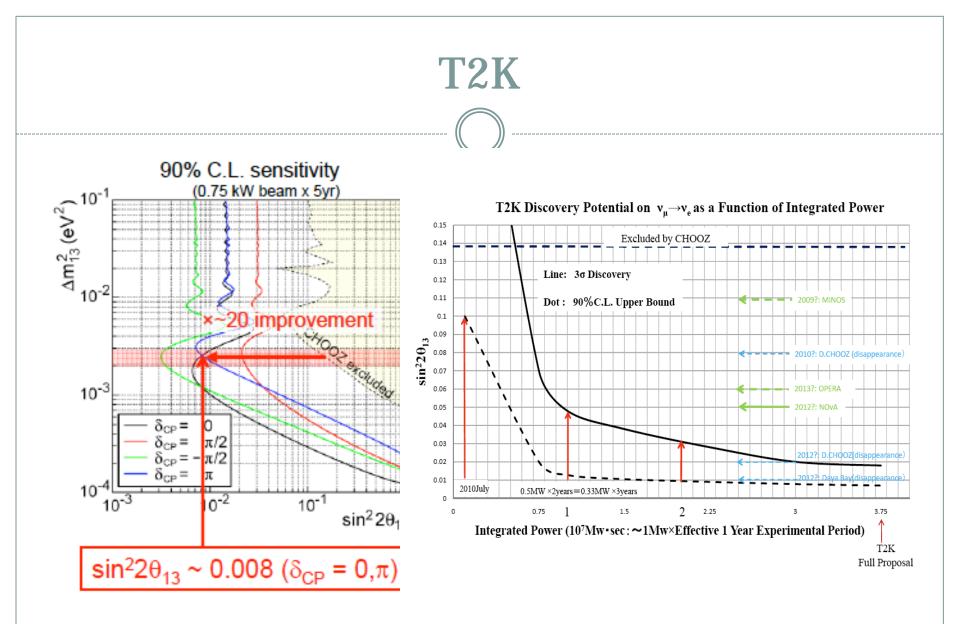
T2K AND NOVA

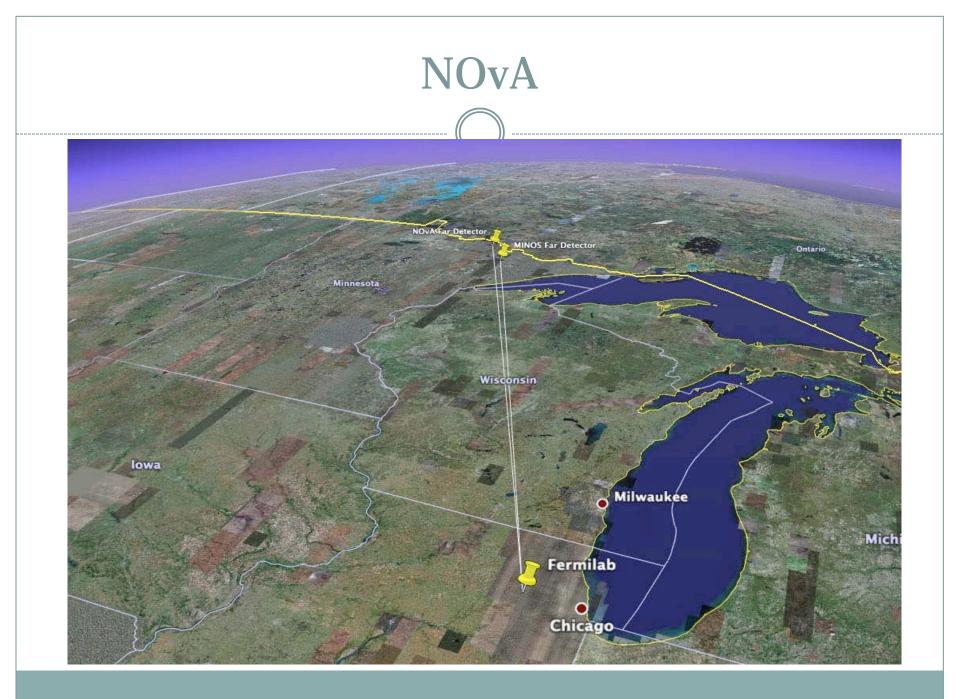


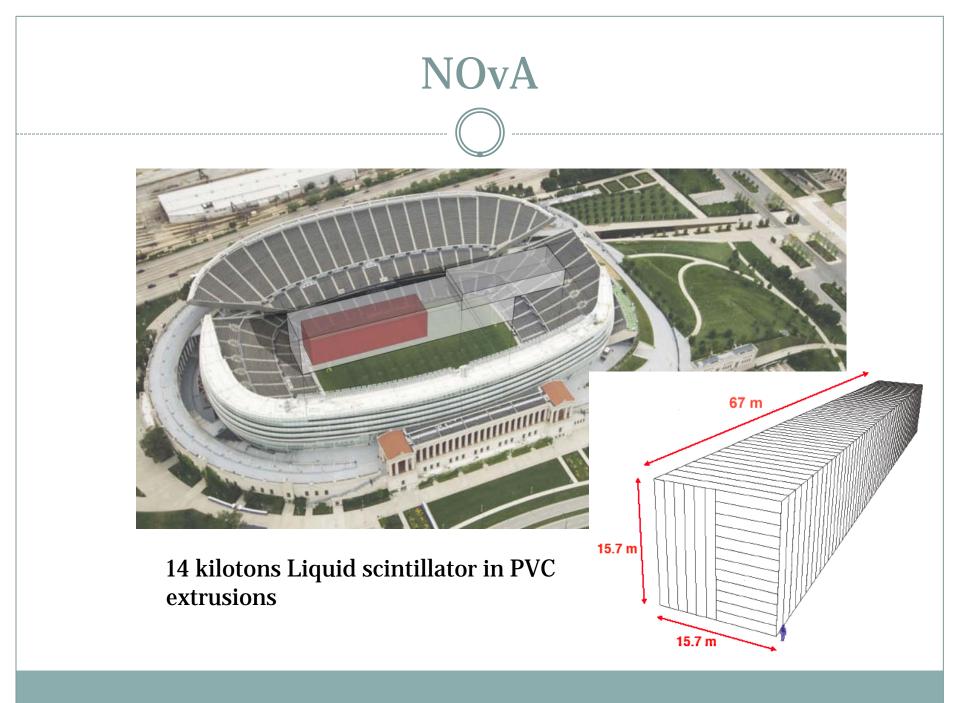


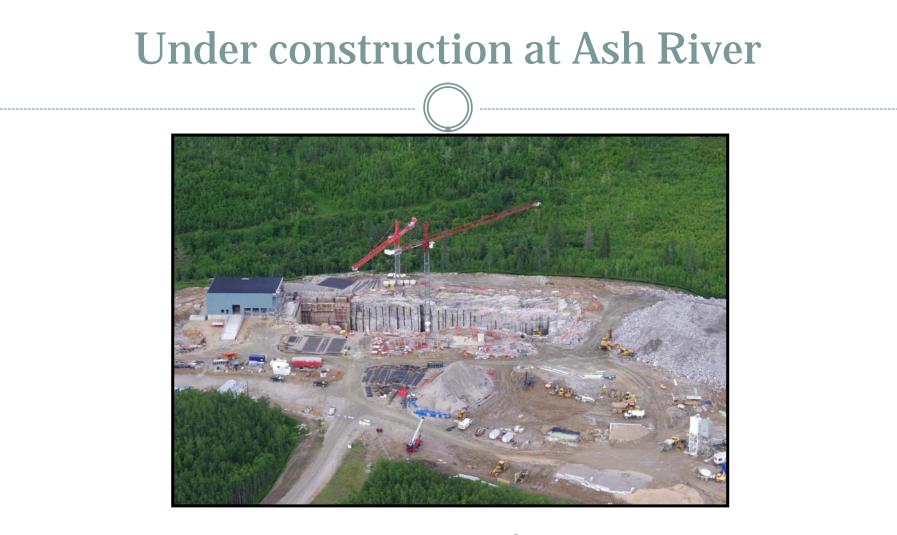




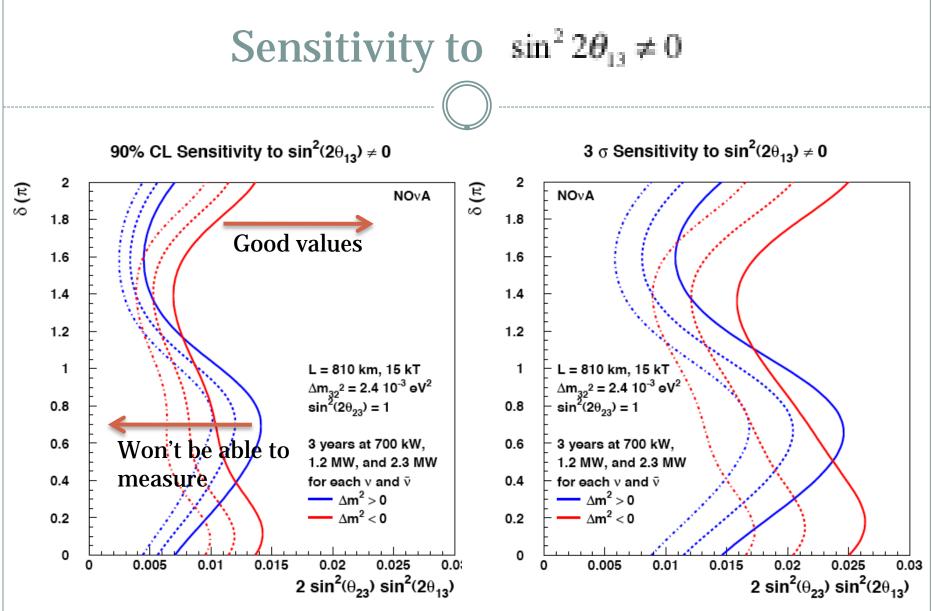








Commissioning in 2012-13; data 2013 - 2019



Dotted lines → intensity upgrades (more neutrinos) that probably won't happen

Experiment Timelines for limits on $\theta_{_{13}}$

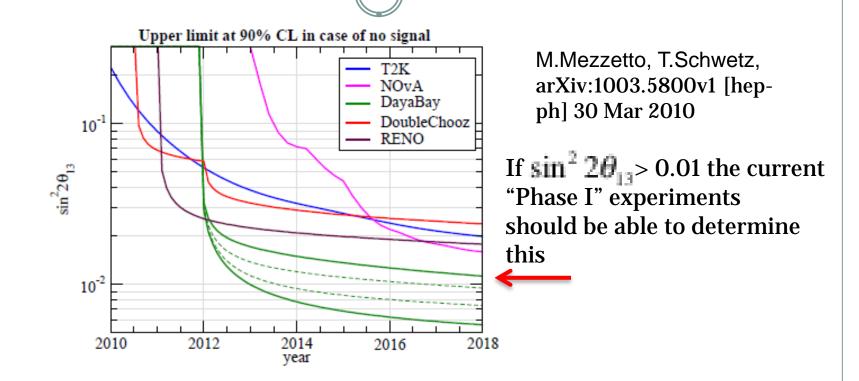


Figure 18. Evolution of the θ_{13} sensitivity limit as a function of time (90% CL), i.e., the 90% CL limit which will be obtained if the true θ_{13} is zero. The four curves for Daya Bay correspond to different assumptions on the achieved systematic uncertainty, from weakest to strongest sensitivity: 0.6% correlated among detector modules at one site, 0.38% correlated, 0.38% uncorrelated among modules, 0.18% uncorrelated.

Bottom line

- θ_{13} needs to be non-zero in order to have a CPviolating phase δ
- Measuring determining that δ has a value (not 0 or π) such that $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{r}) \neq P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{r})$, says that neutrinos violate *CP* which may have a connection to *CP* violation in the early universe, and hence to the observed matter-anti-matter asymmetry.....
- Experimental challenge we want to measure the parameter, *§*

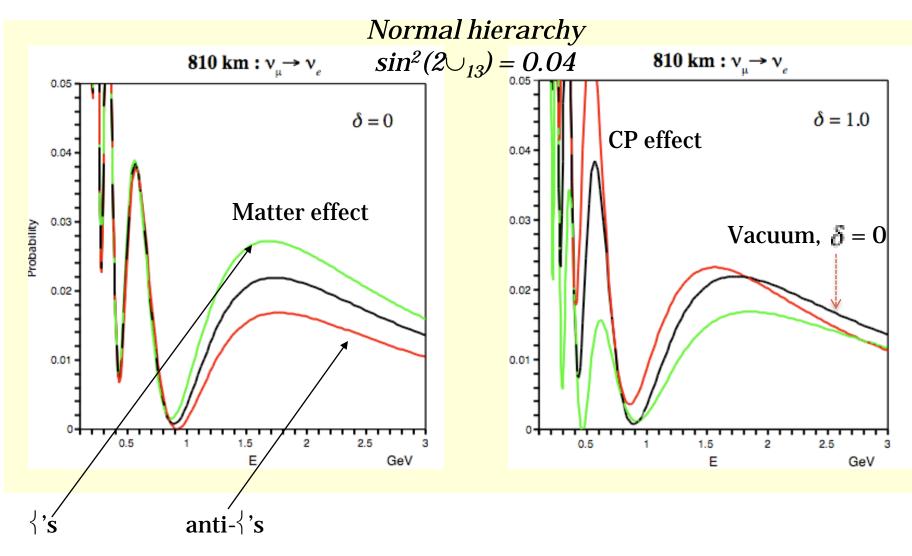
Beyond **B**₁₃

MATTER EFFECTS

MASS HIERARCHY

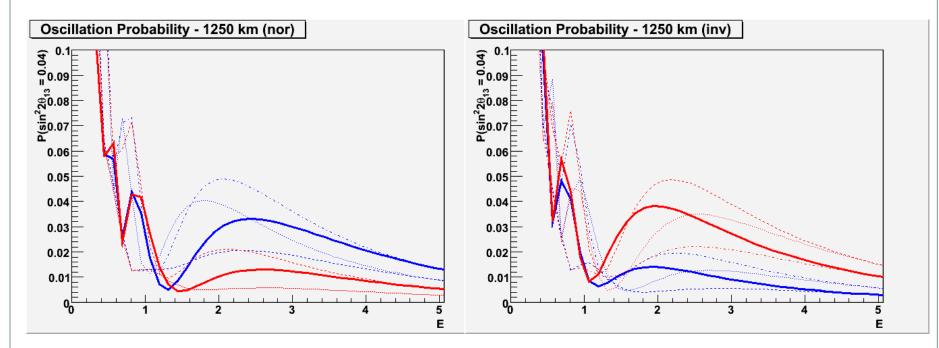
Ambiguities and $\delta_{\rm CP}$

Matter Effects and CP



Matter and the hierarchy

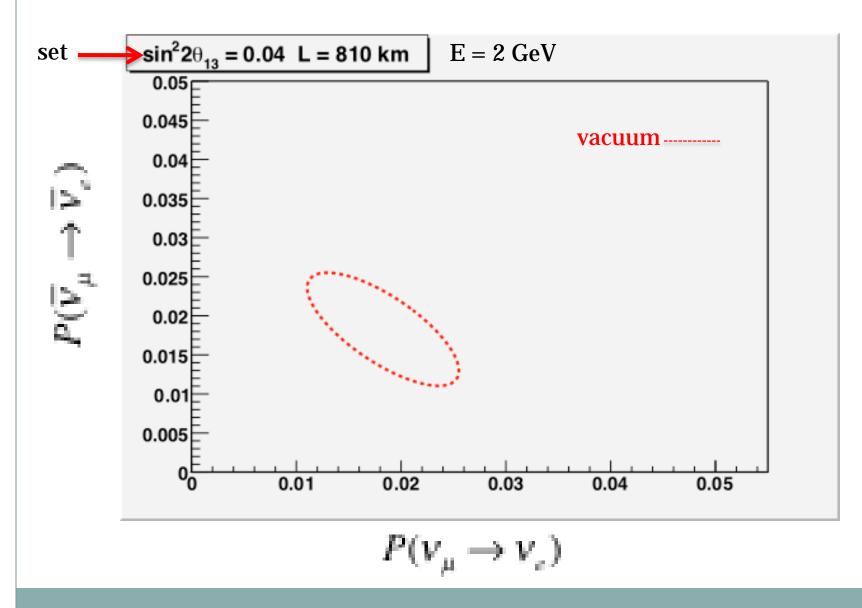
Neutrinos – blue Anti-neutrios - red



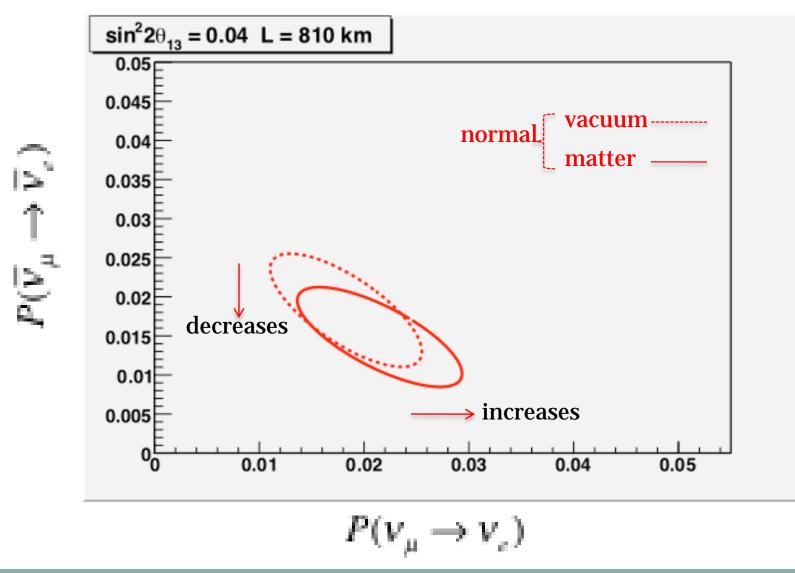
Neutrinos – enhanced Anti-neutrinos - suppressed

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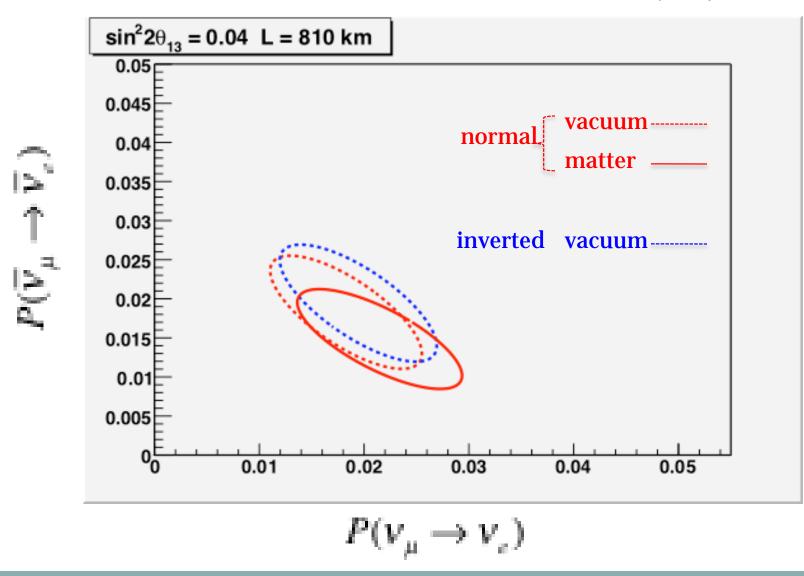
Neutrino vs. anti-neutrino bi-probability plots



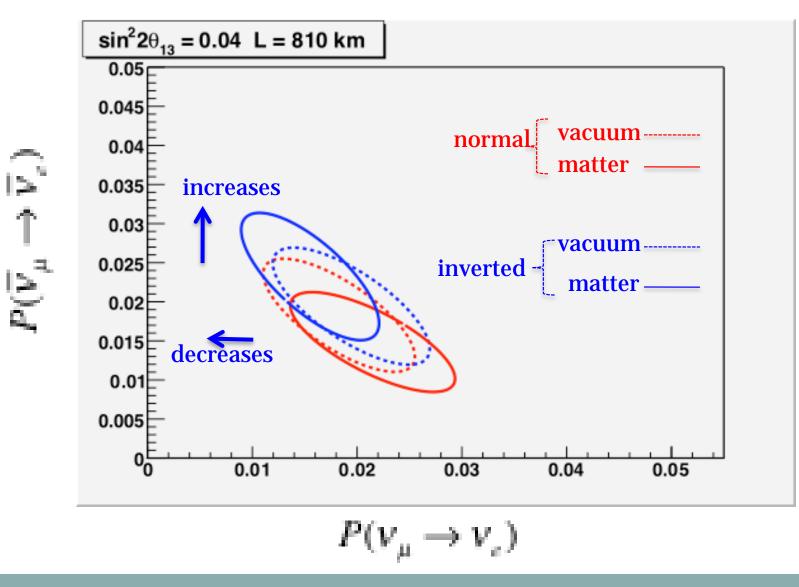
Include matter effects

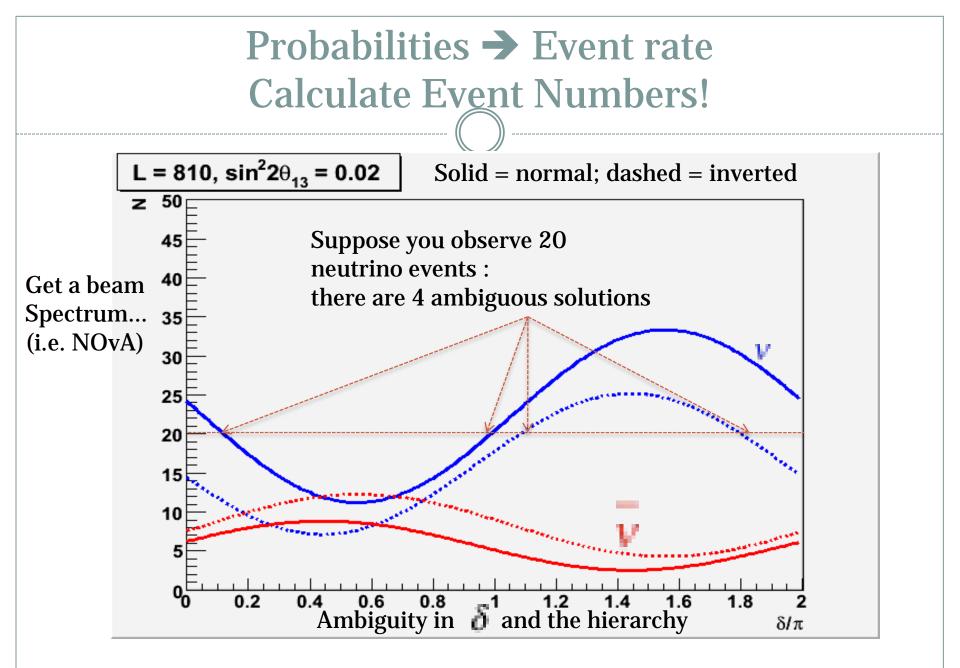


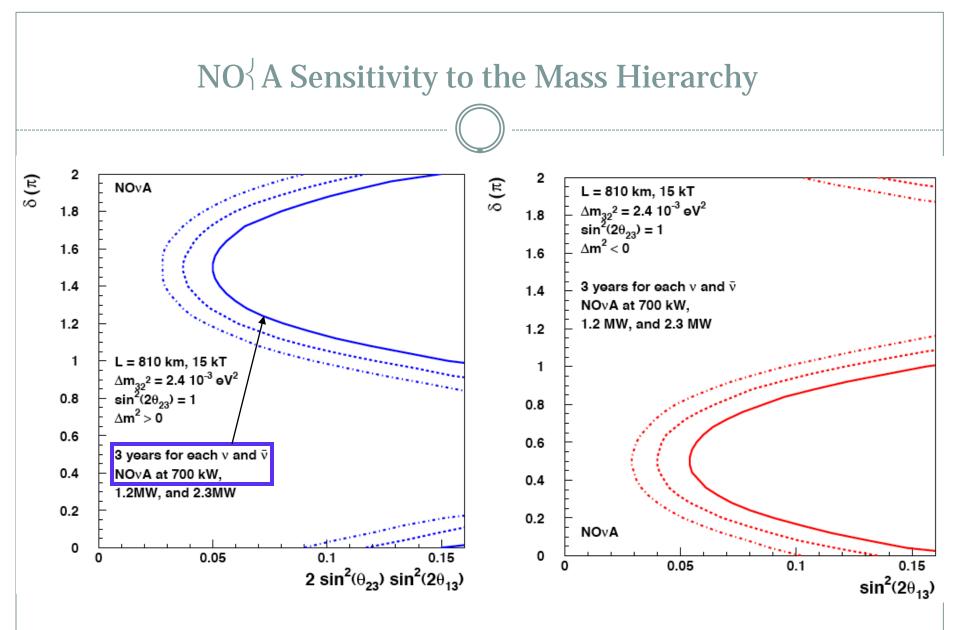
Plot for the inverted mass hierarchy $\Delta m_{32}^2(inverted) = -|\Delta m_{32}^2|(normal)|$

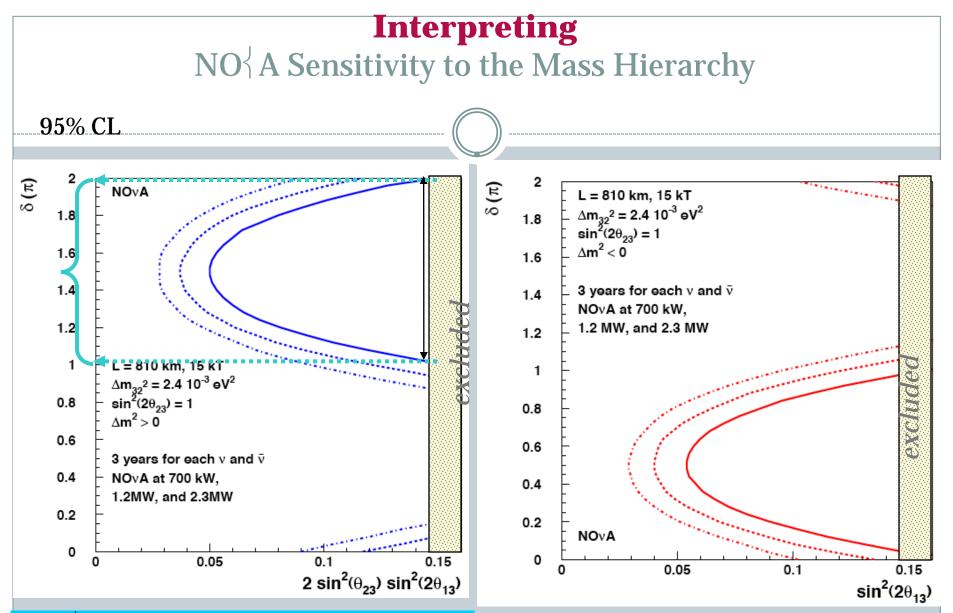


Overlapping probabilities \rightarrow ambiguities

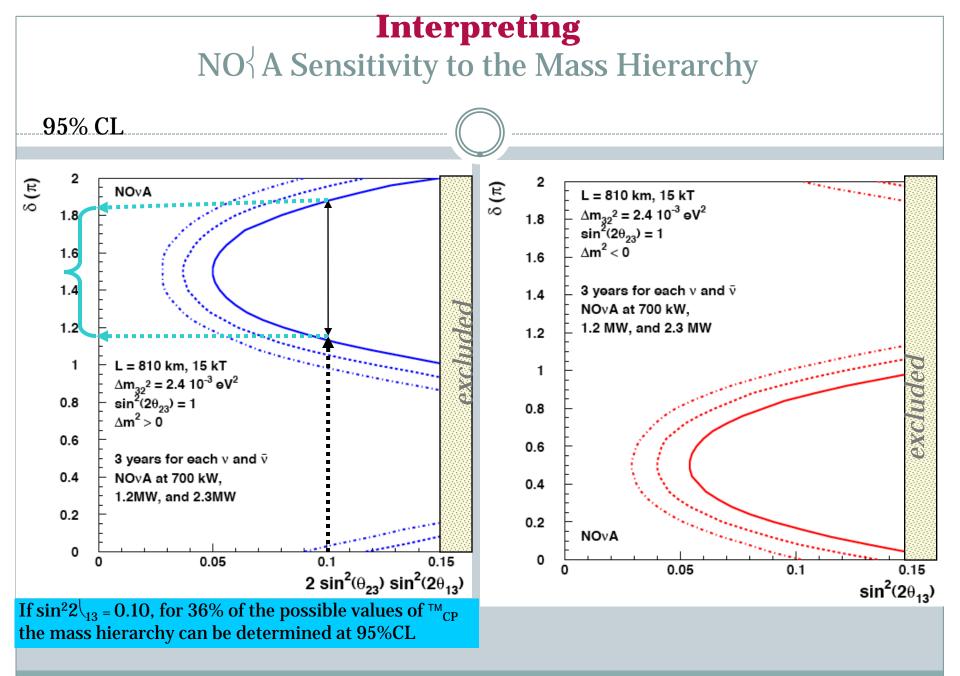


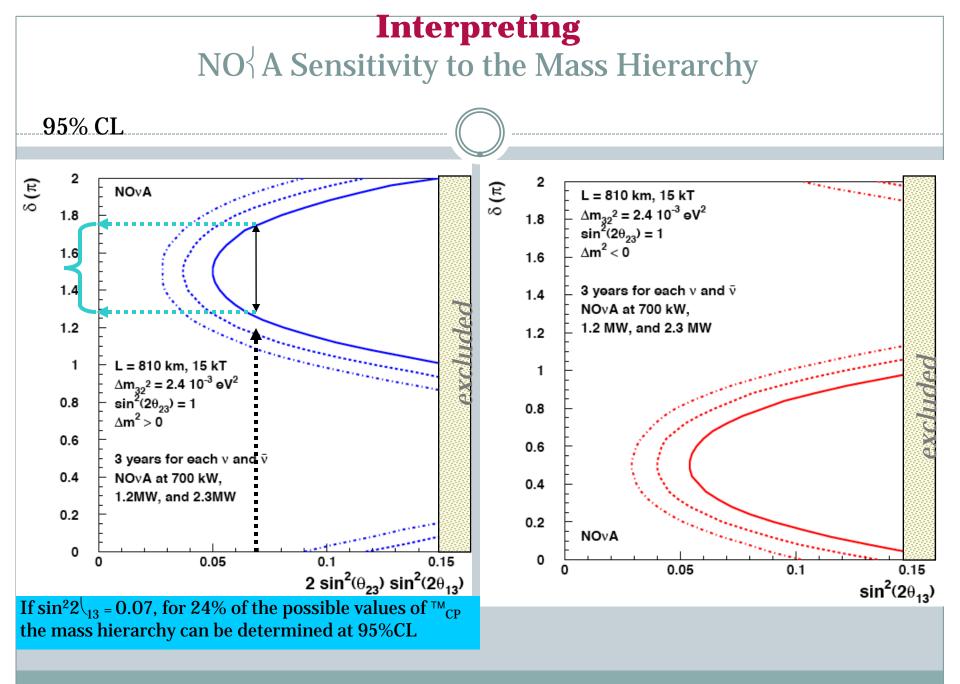




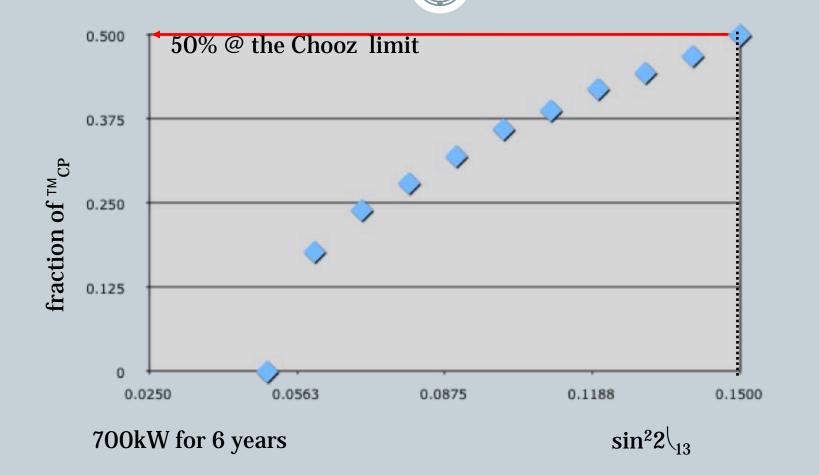


If $\sin^2 2 \Big|_{13} = 0.15$, for 50% of the possible values of \mathbb{T}_{CP} the mass hierarchy can be determined at 95%CL

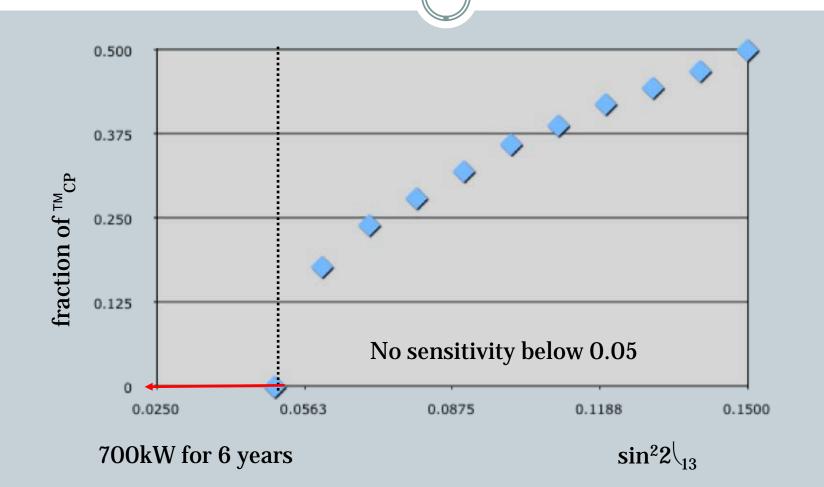




NO[{] A 95% CL sensitivity to the Mass Hierarchy



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Take away - 1

Reactor disappearance

- A positive result from Double Chooz will indicate a "good" value for θ_{13}
- Limit results from Reno and Daya Bay (several years from now) will indicate that $\sin^2 2\theta_{I3}$ is not larger than ~0.01

• T2K appearance

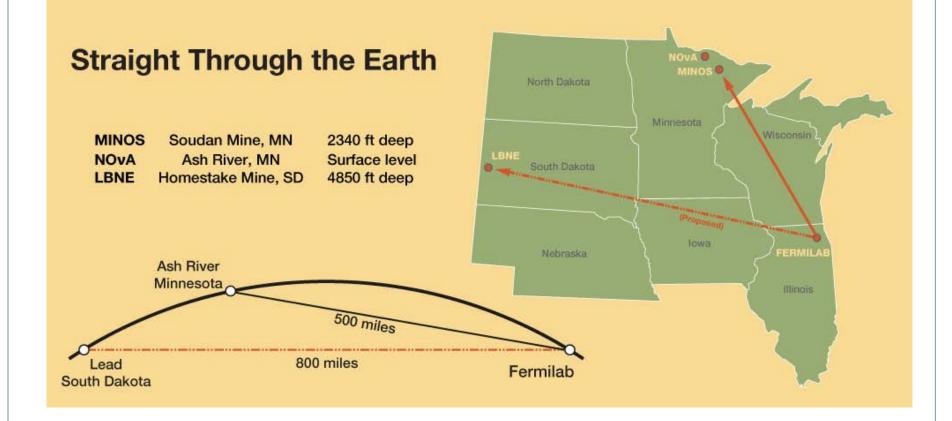
• Prompt results from T2K will begin to shed light on the θ_{13} question and help guide the way for future long baseline experiments needing to use a non-zero θ_{13} (mass hierarchy and CP violation)

- NOvA has a baseline of 810 km, which is long enough to exhibit matter effects in the $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{r}$ appearance probability
- However, for half the possible values of δ the effect is not large enough to resolve the ambiguities which arise among θ_{13} , δ and the hierarchy
- Nor, for values of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.05$ can the ambiguity be resolved
 - Though sin² 20 can be observed for values to approaching ~0.01

Resolving the mass hierarchy

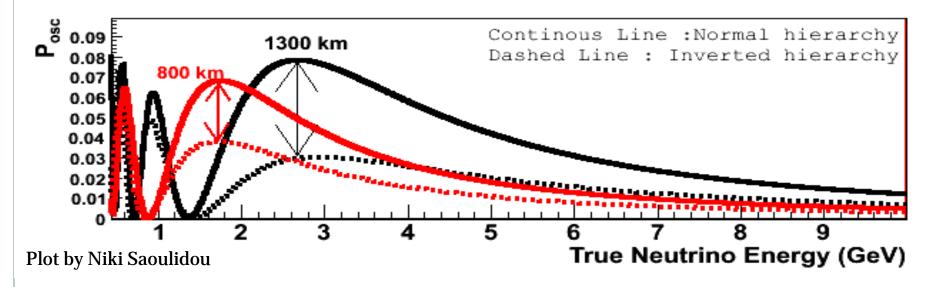
THE EXPERIMENT BASELINE

A longer baseline

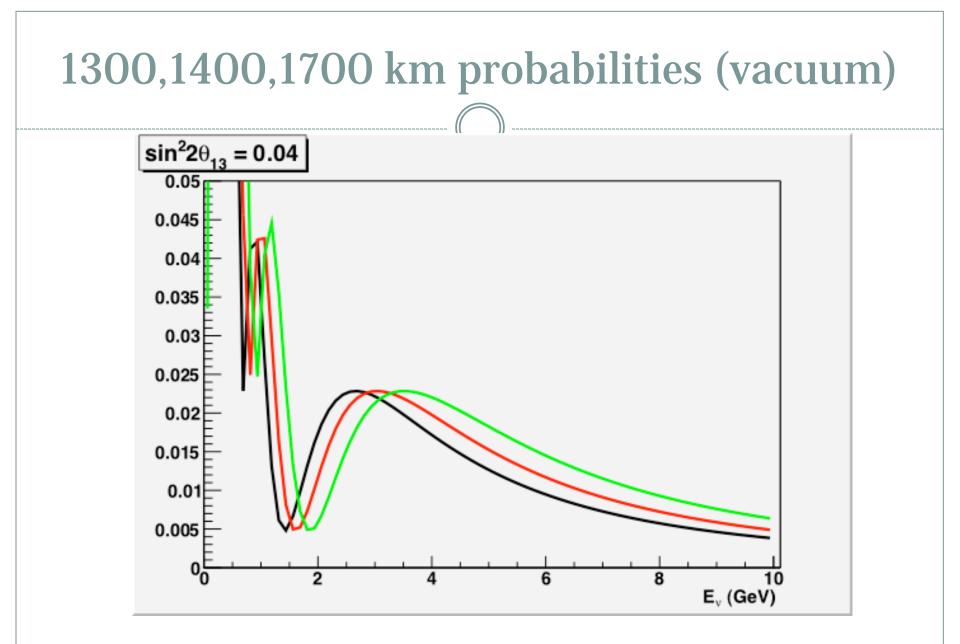


What happens at the longer baseline?

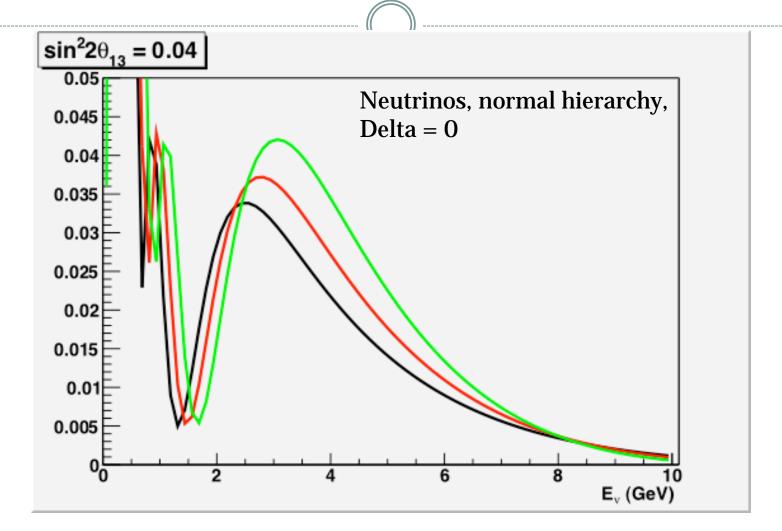
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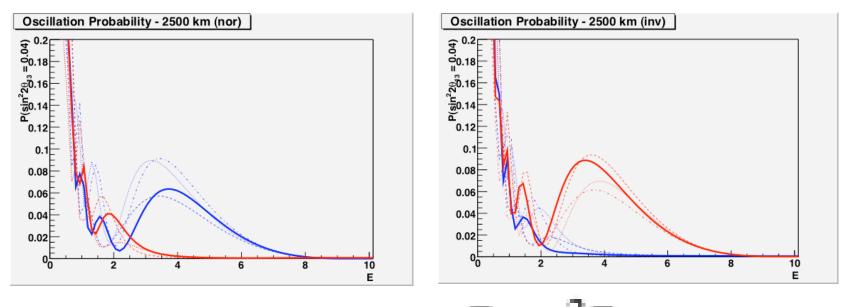
- Oscillation maxima are moved to higher energy
- Matter effects are significantly larger



1300,1400,1700 km including matter affect



Dramatic matter and δ effects at 2500 km

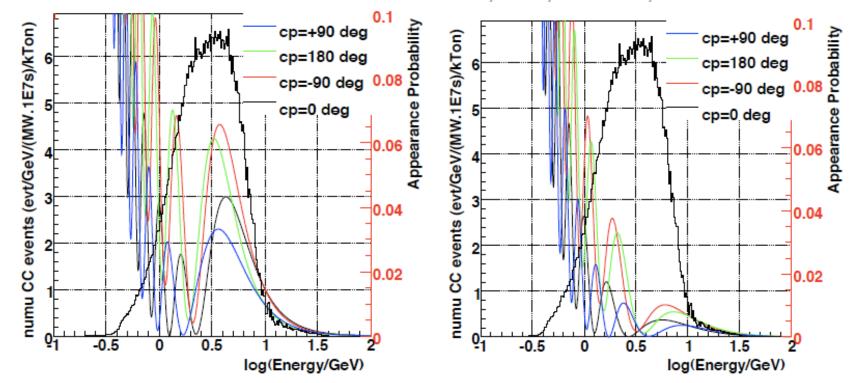


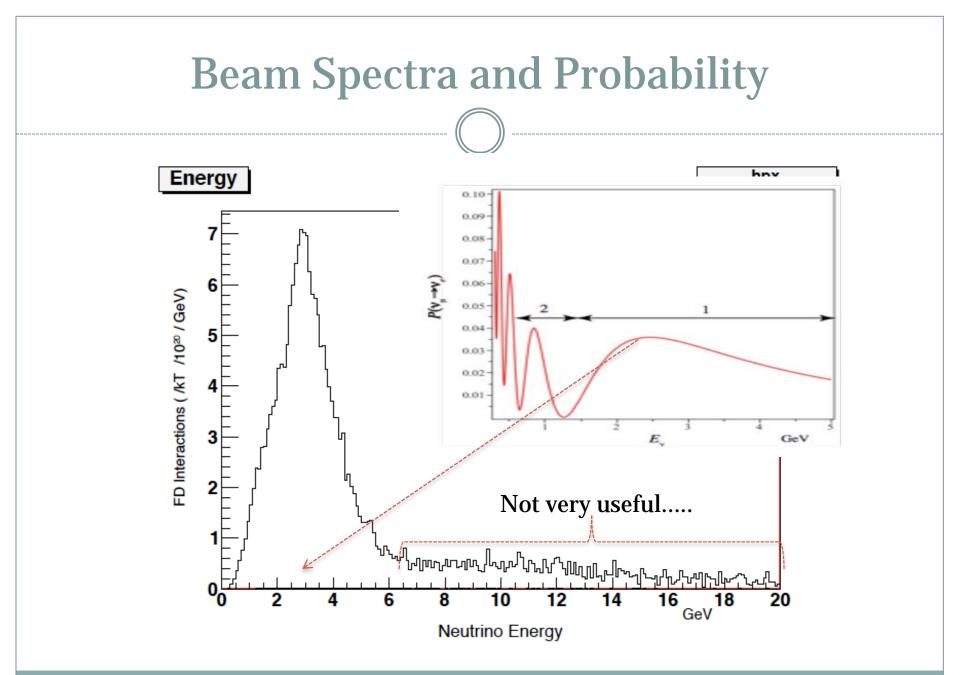
 δ : solid $\rightarrow 0$, dashed $\rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}$

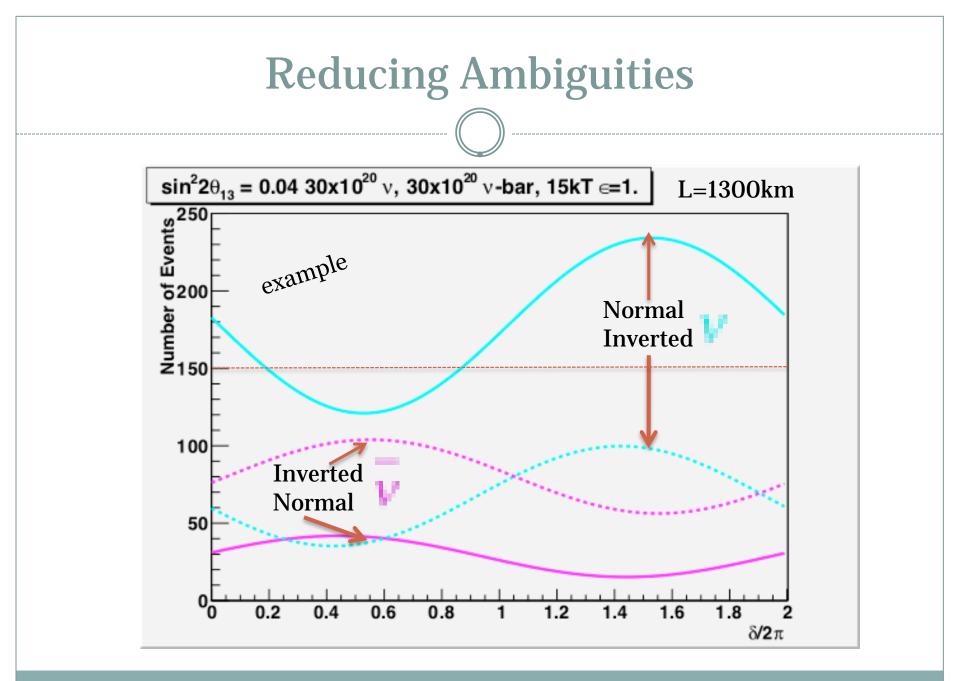
Wide Band Beam covering multiple nodes

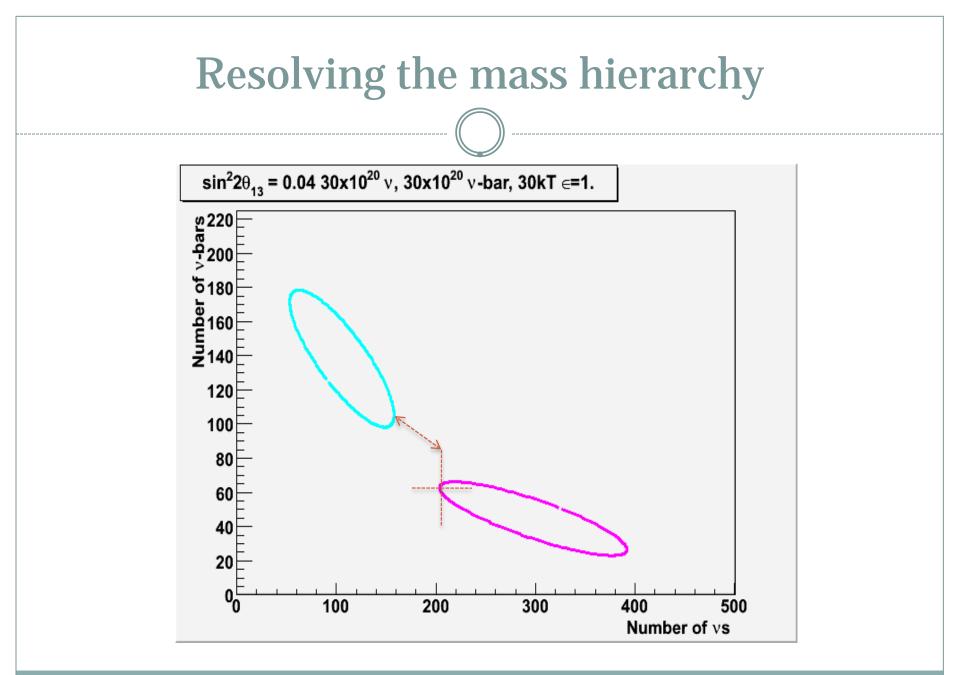
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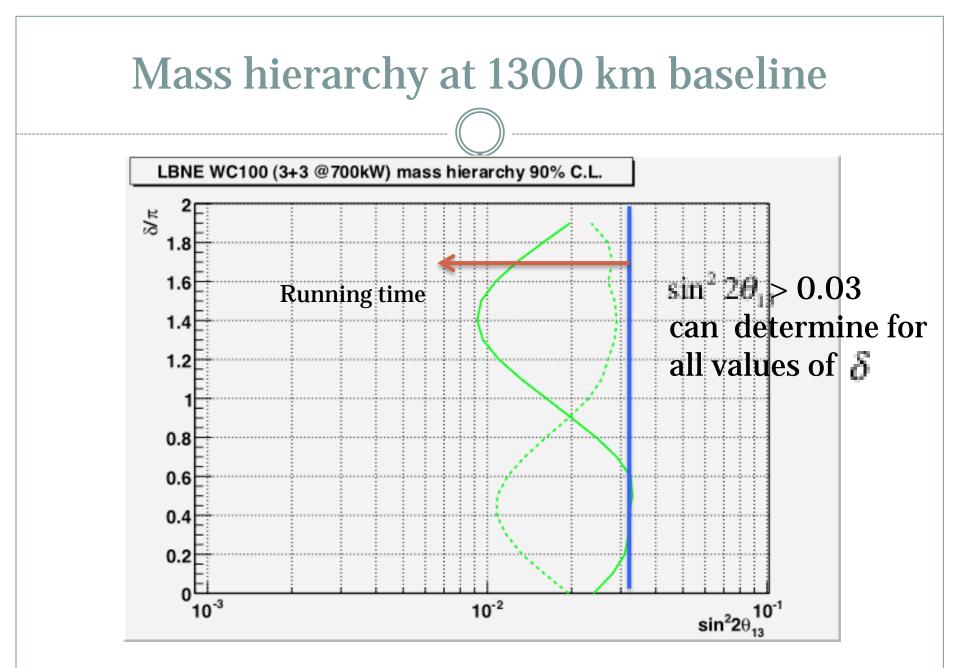
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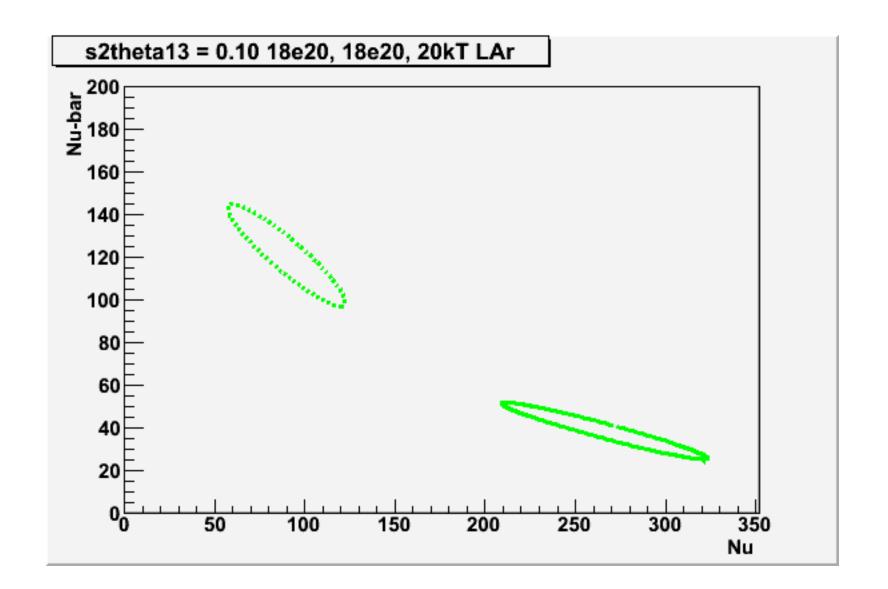


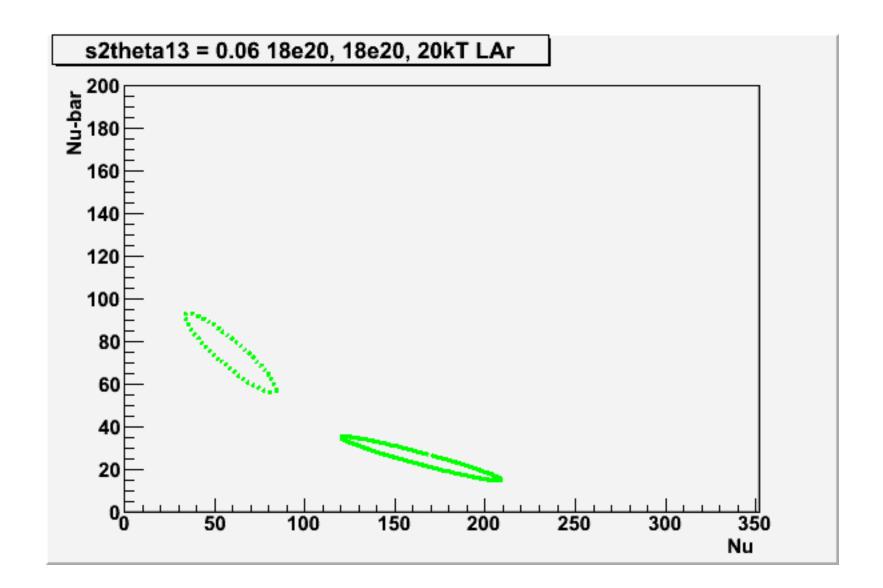


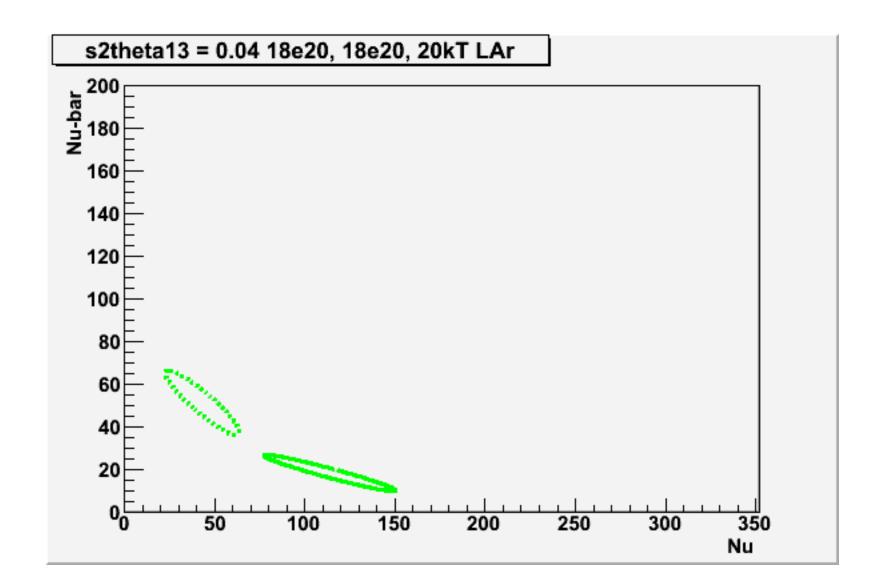


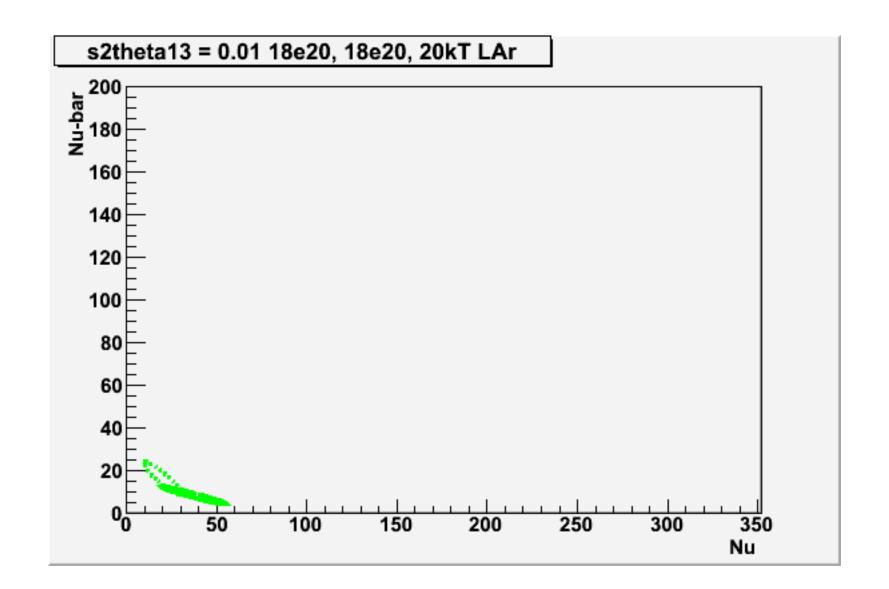




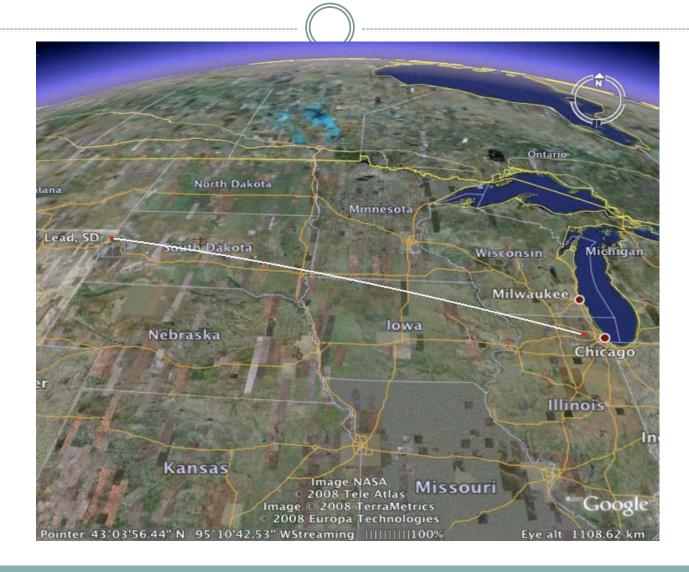


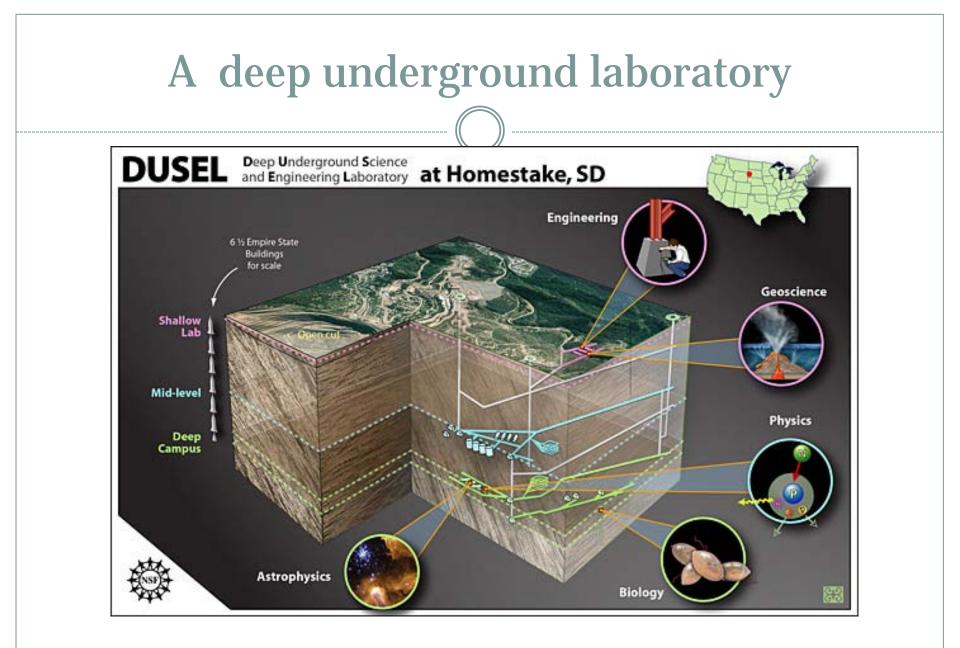




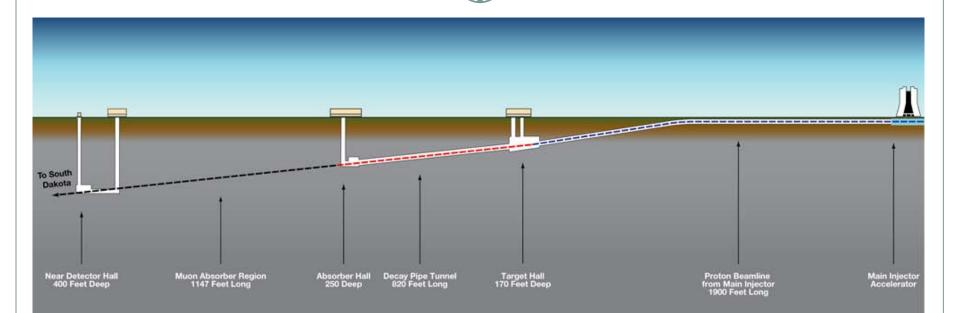


Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment



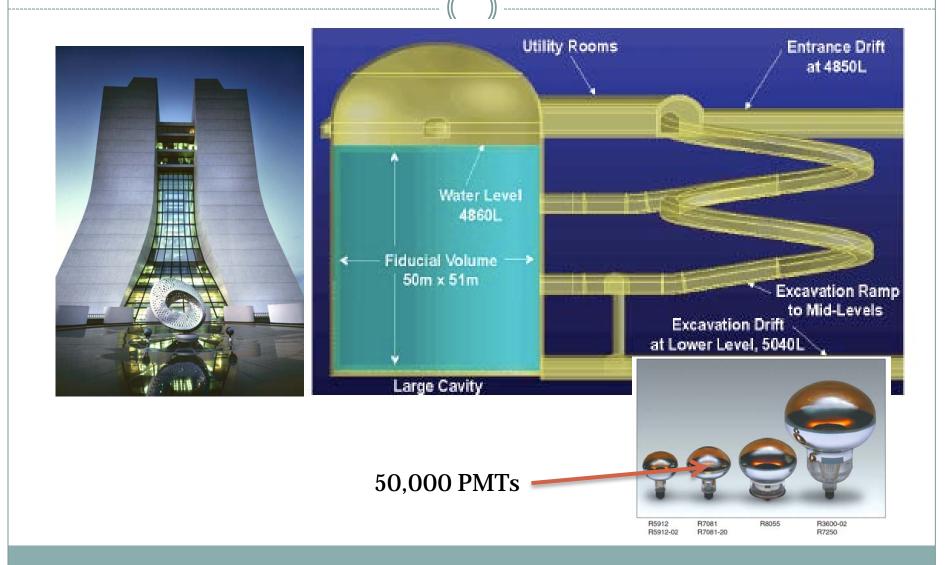


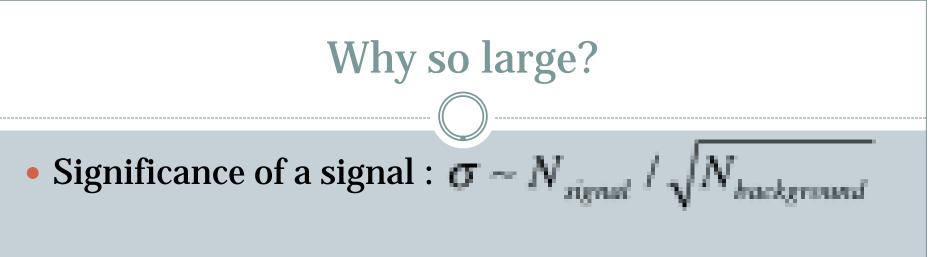
A new neutrino beam at Fermilab



Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment

Very Large Detectors



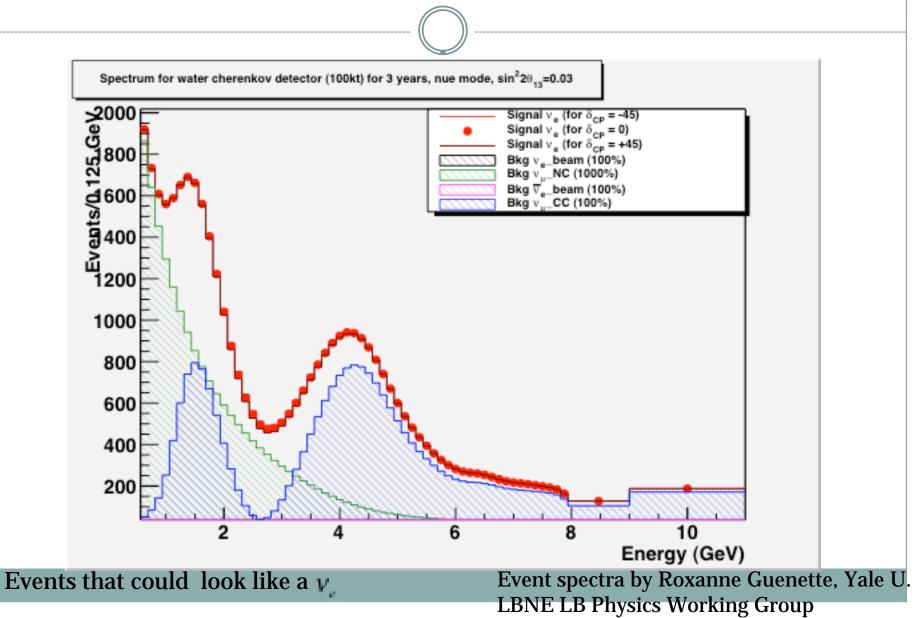


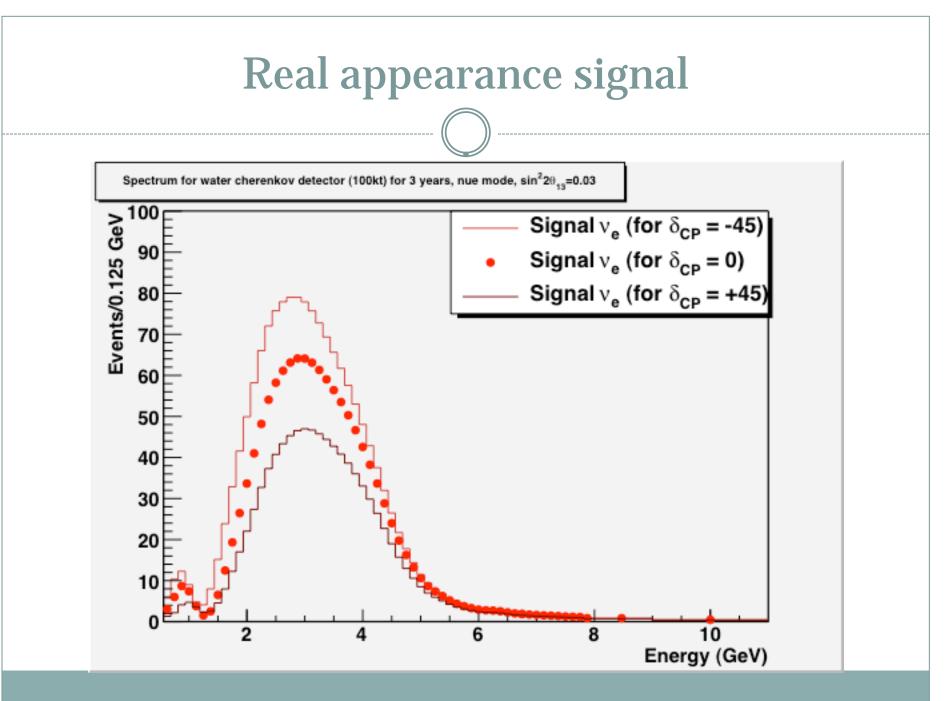
• Two Detector Dependent factors :

• Signal efficiency:
$$N_{signal}^{observed} = N_{signal}^{produced} \times efficiency$$

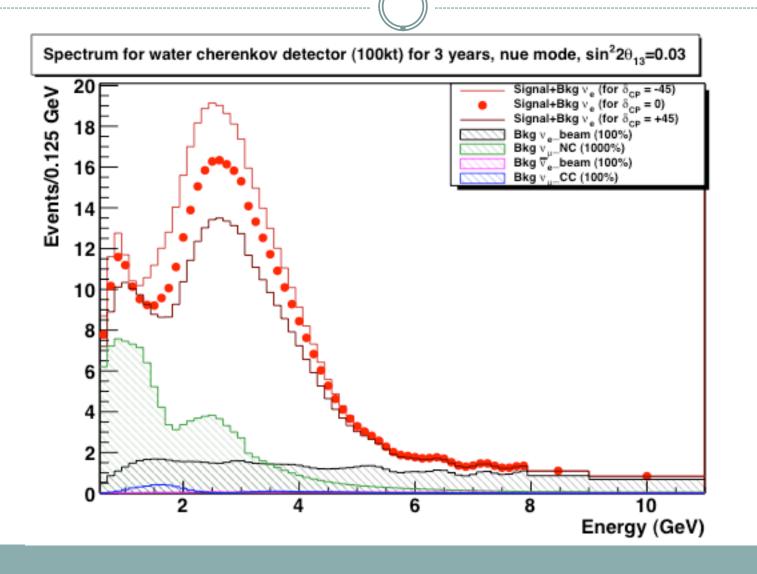
 Rejection on non-intrinsic backgrounds depends on detector resolutions

What events occur in a detector of this size?

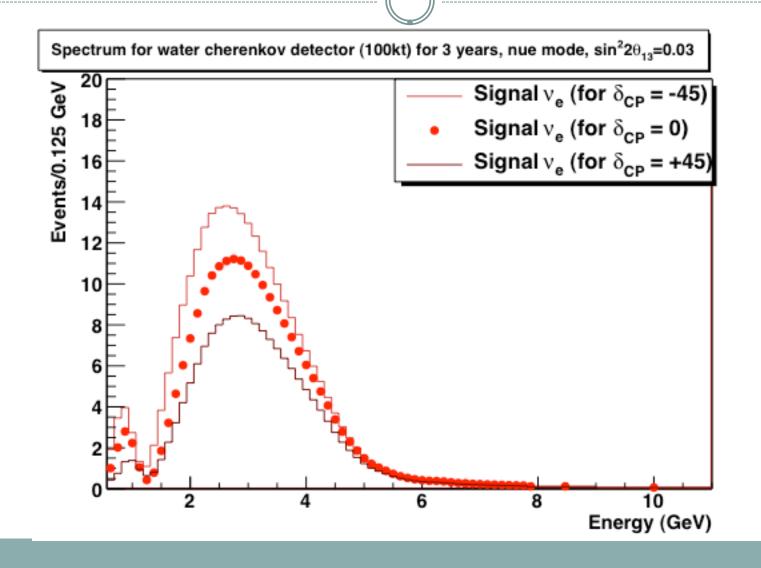




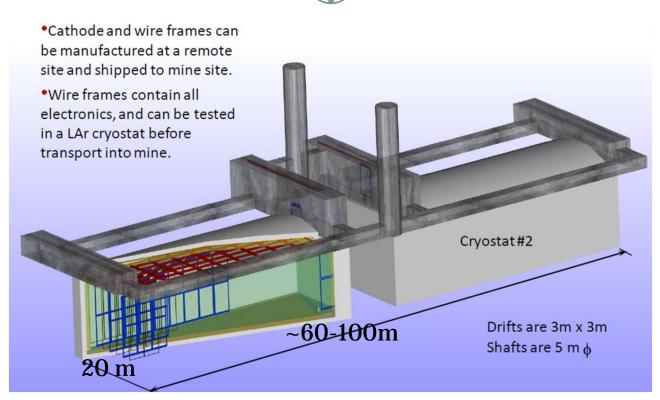
Observed Signal and Background events



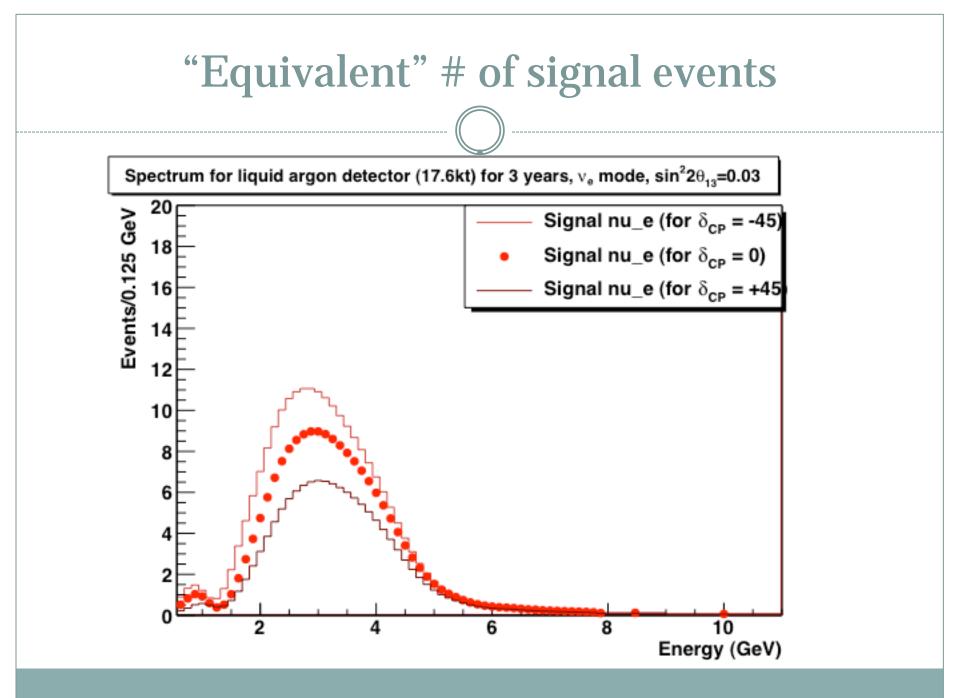
Background Subtraction → small stats



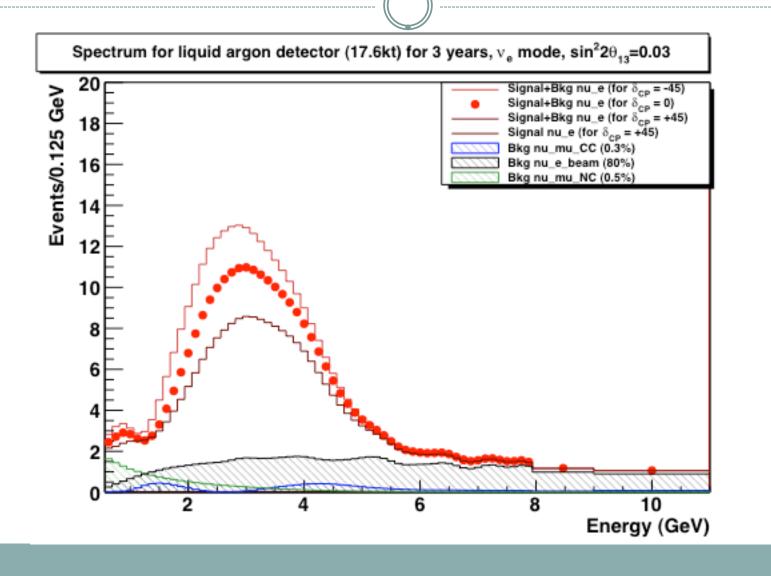
Can we improve efficiency?



Liquid Argon Time Projection Chamber may offer 5-6 times the detection efficiency of a Water Cerenkov detector, allowing for a significantly smaller detector



Efficiency is high and background is small



What's the best approach?

- Need to evaluate pro's and con's
- Performance
- Cost, risk, time to build
- Other physics potential
- Community wide evaluation underway

A quick lesson in "Project Speak"

- New Department of Energy Project's must pass through a "Critical Decision" process : CDs
- CD-0
 - Approval to think (and do conceptual design)
- CD-1
 - What can you do, and for how much \$\$? When could you do it?
- CD-2
 - How much does it *really* cost and how long will it *really* take?
- CD-3
 - What are you really going to build and are you really ready to build it?
- CD-4
 - Does it work? Did we get what we paid for?

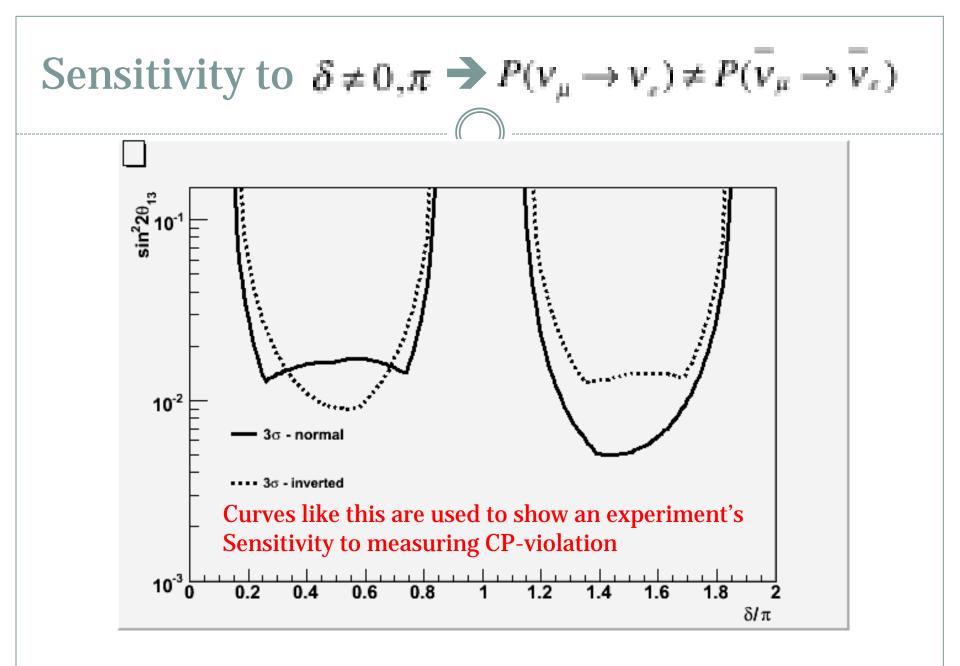
LBNE Milestones/Timeline

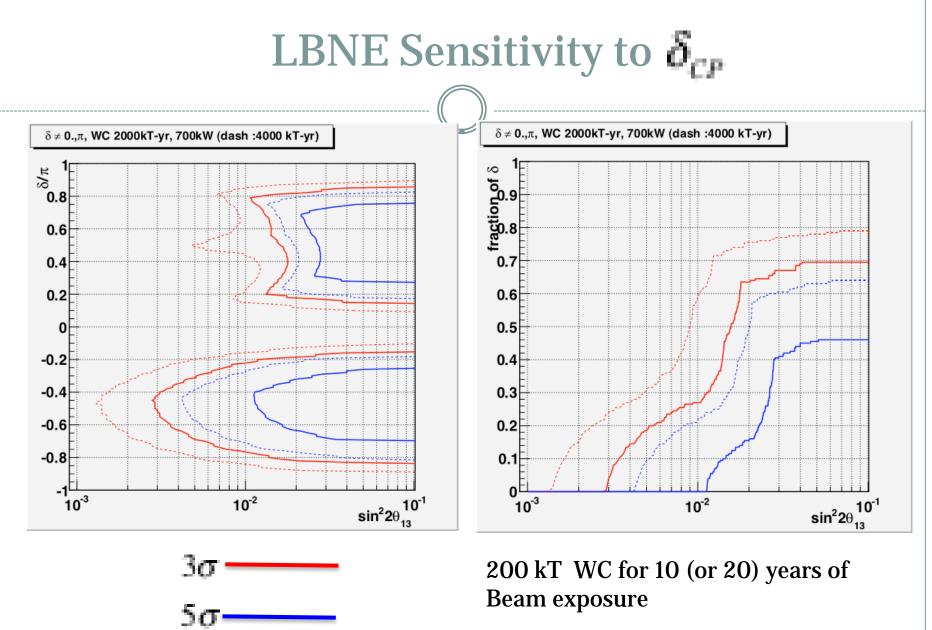
- Department of Energy CD-0
 - o January 2010
- CD-1 Review and Approval
 - o January-May 2011
- CD-2 (Cost and Schedule Baseline)
 2013
- CD-3 : Start Construction!
 2015
- CD-4 : Start Operations !
 2020-2021 (if all goes well)

What's the big gain?

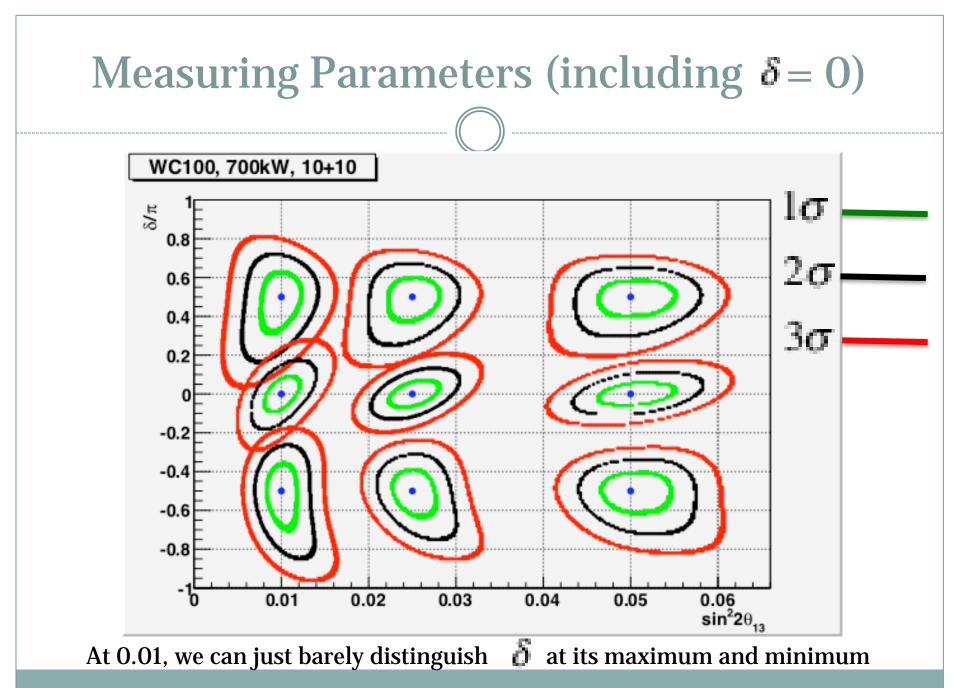
SENSITIVITY TO CP-VIOLATION

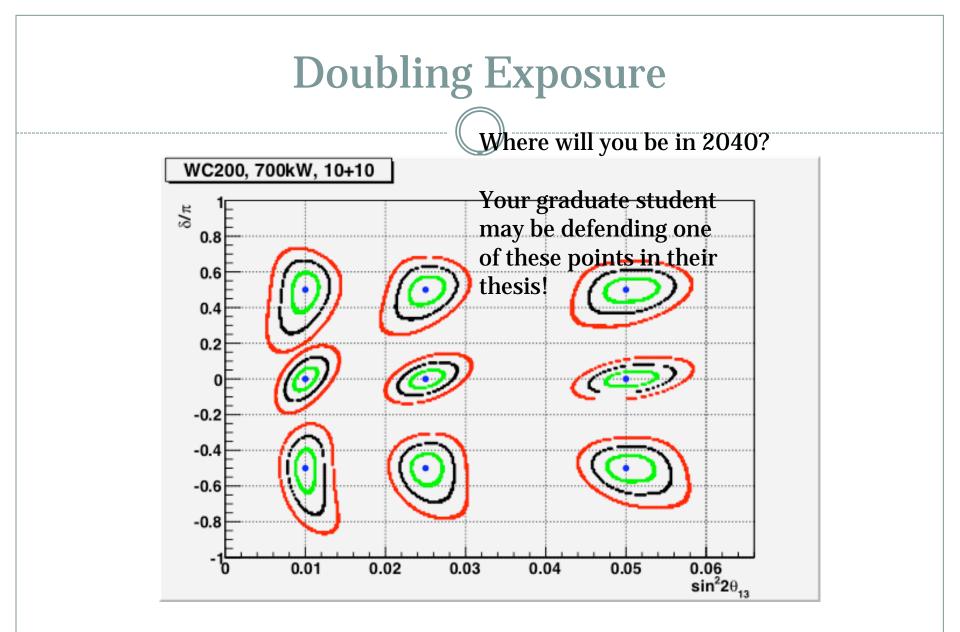
MEASURING PARAMETERS





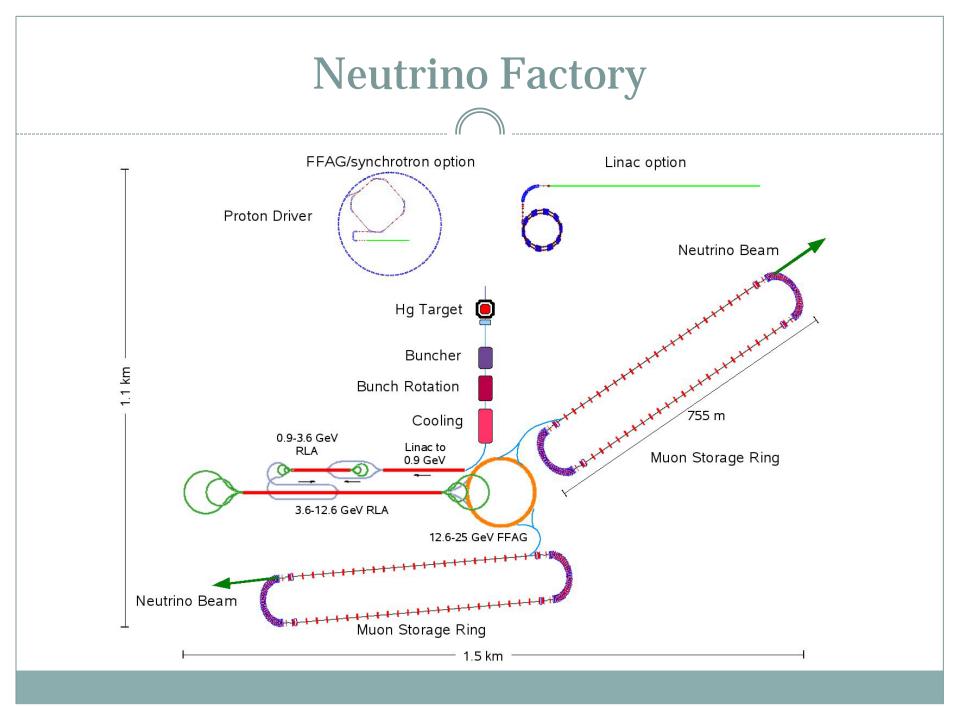
200 kT WC for 10 (or 20) years of Beam exposure

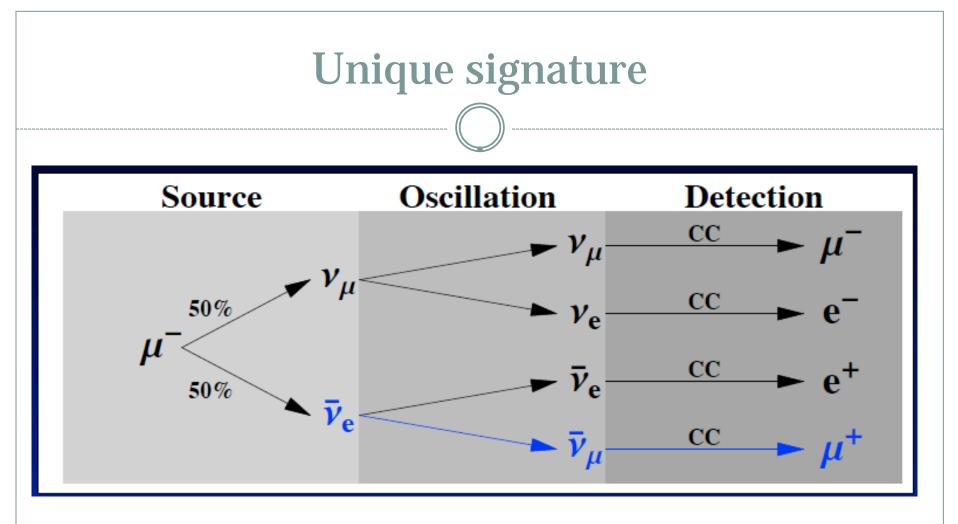




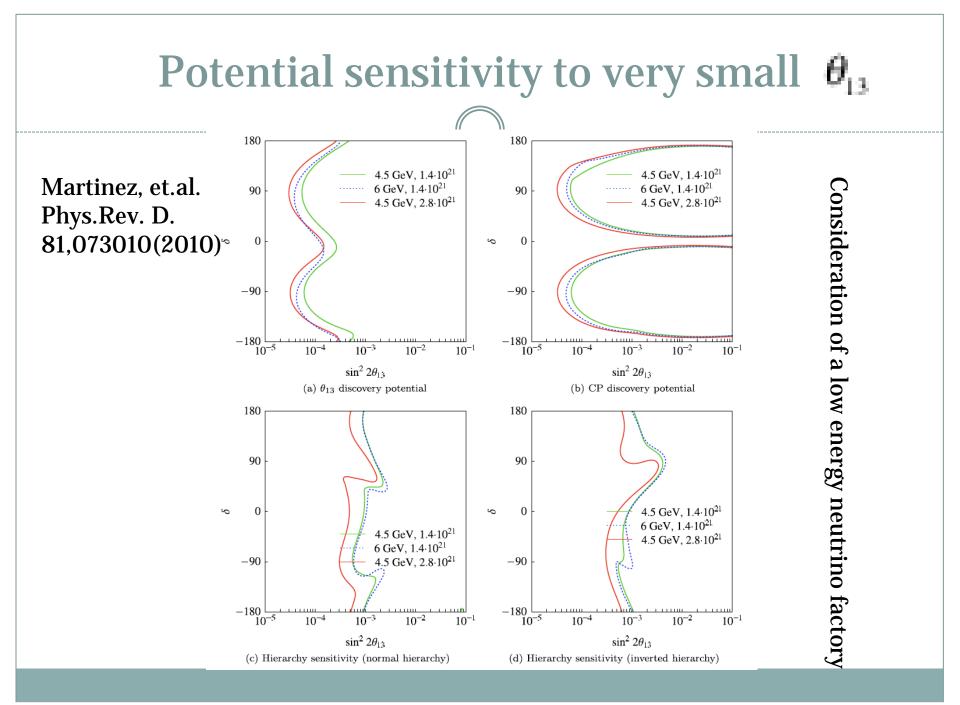
Some tough questions

- What if we don't know how big θ_{13} is?
- What if we think it's $(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sim 0.01$?
- Are conventional beams the only route to this physics?





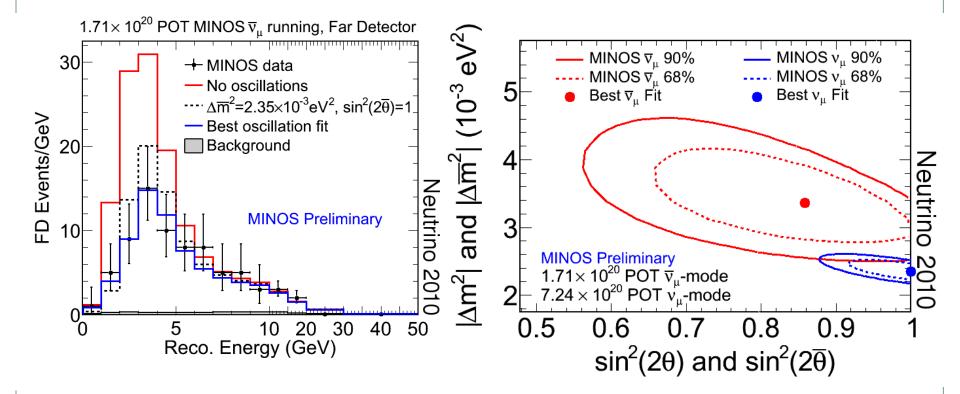
Need to be able to tell + from – →magnetized detector : MINOS like ? Magnetize NOvA? Magnetize LAr ?



New Results to Keep an Eye On

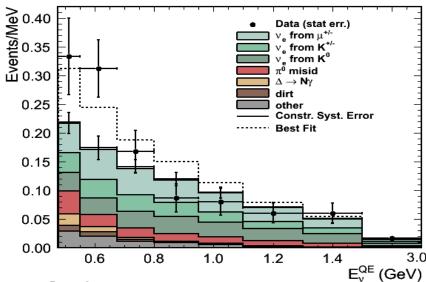
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MINOS Anti-neutrinos



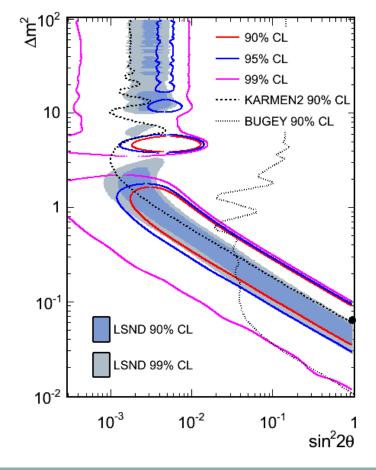
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Results for **5.66E20 POT**

• Best Fit Point $(\Delta m^2, \sin^2 2\theta) =$ $(0.064 \text{ eV}^2, 0.96)$ $\chi^2/\text{NDF} = 16.4/12.6$ $P(\chi^2) = 20.5\%$



- The third mixing angle θ_1 , has not yet been measured and it is known to be small
- Results are expected from both reactor and accelerator experiments (T2K and NOvA) within ?(few) years
- A non-zero value of θ_{13} is required to determine the neutrino mass hierarchy and observe the CP phase δ using $v_{11} \rightarrow v_{22}$ oscillations
- A long baseline experiment (>>L~1000) with massive and/or highly efficient detectors and a conventional neutrino beam offers an opportunity to determine the mass hierarchy and measure δ provided sin² 2θ₁₃
 ~0.01 or larger

This is a tricky number.....

