

# Long Baseline Neutrino Beams and Large Detectors

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# Neutrinos

## History

Oscillations:

Atmospheric

Solar

Mixing Matrix

## New Era

Hierarchy,  $\theta_{13}$ , CP

Very Large Detector

Long Baseline

High Intensity Beams

Sensitivities

## Bonus:

Proton Decay

Supernova

# Neutrino History

- 1930 Existence – Postulated by Pauli
  - 1956 Discovered
  - 1962 Two Neutrinos
  - 1970-91 Solar deficiency
  - 1991 Three Neutrinos
  - 2000's Neutrino Oscillations
    - Kamiokande
    - Super Kamiokande
    - Sudbury
    - Kamland
    - KEK
    - Minos
- and
- Others

## Brief review of oscillations

Assume a  $2 \times 2$  neutrino mixing matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_a \\ \nu_b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nu_a(t) = \cos(\theta)\nu_1(t) + \sin(\theta)\nu_2(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\nu_a \rightarrow \nu_b) &= |\langle \nu_b | \nu_a(t) \rangle|^2 \\ &= \sin^2(\theta) \cos^2(\theta) |e^{-iE_2 t} - e^{-iE_1 t}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Sufficient to understand most of the physics:

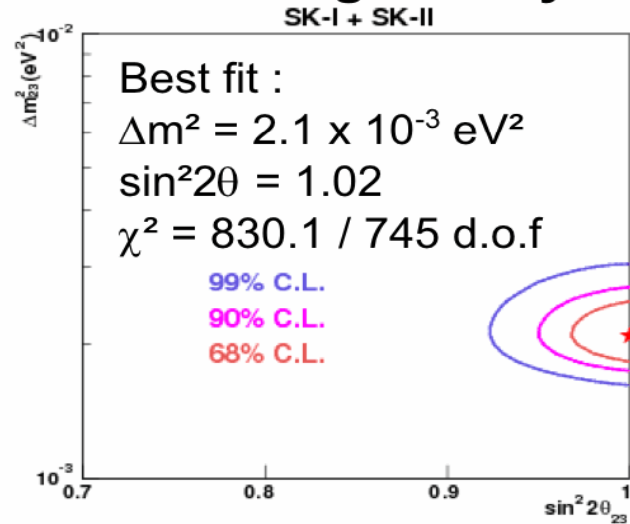
$$P(\nu_a \rightarrow \nu_b) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{1.27((m_2^2 - m_1^2)/eV^2)(L/km)}{(E/GeV)}$$

$$P(\nu_a \rightarrow \nu_a) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{1.27(\Delta m^2/eV^2)(L/km)}{(E/GeV)}$$

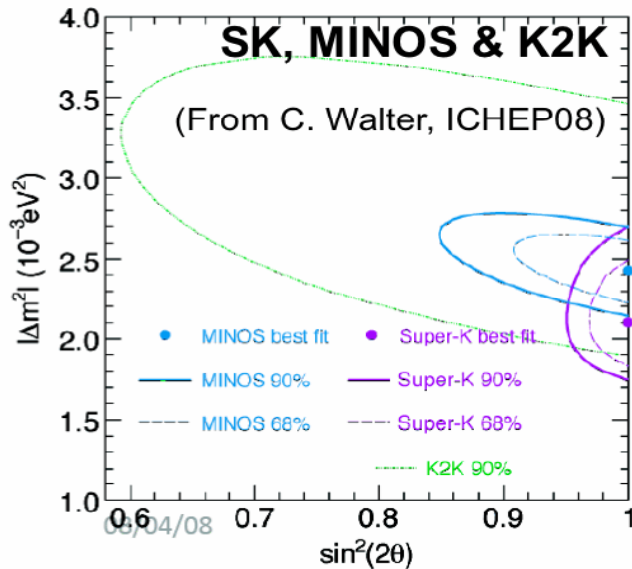
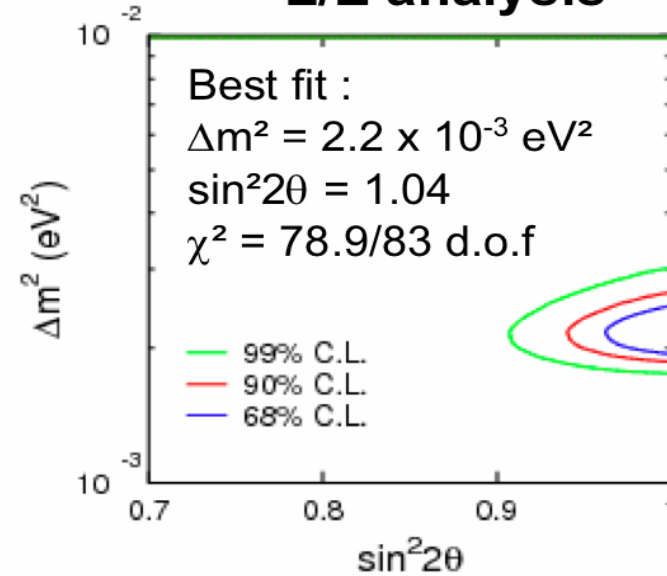
Oscillation nodes at  $\pi/2, 3\pi/2, 5\pi/2, \dots$  ( $\pi/2$ ):  $\Delta m^2 = 0.0025eV^2$ ,  
 $E = 1GeV$ ,  $L = 494km$  .

# Allowed regions

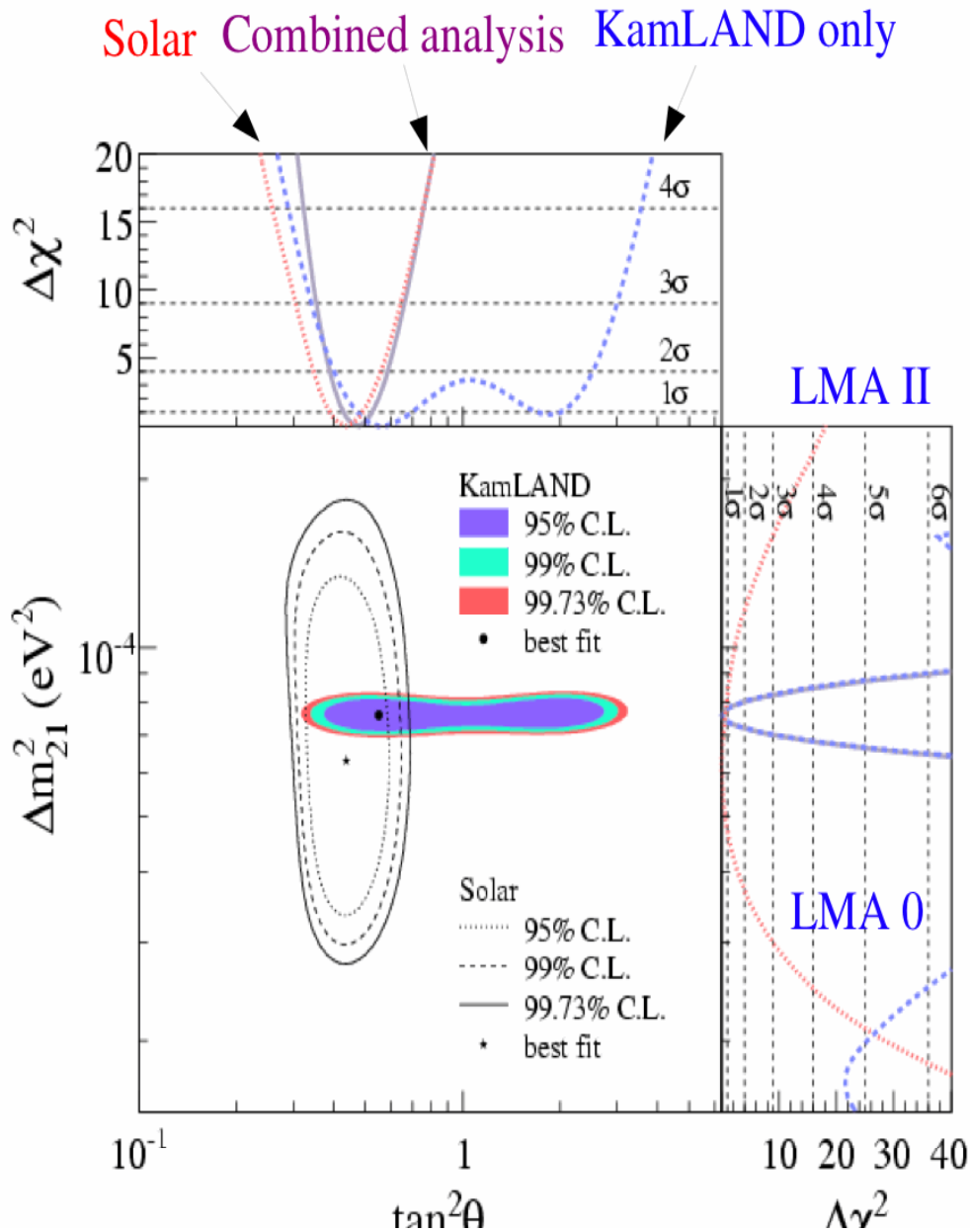
## Zenith angle analysis



## L/E analysis



**Current best measurement of  $\theta_{23}$  :  
 $\sim 45 \pm 4^\circ$  (10% accuracy)**



KamLAND only:

$$\Delta m^2 = 7.58^{+0.14}_{-0.13}(\text{st}) \pm 0.15(\text{syst}) \times 10^{-5} \text{ (eV}^2\text{)}$$

$$\tan^2\theta = 0.56^{+0.10}_{-0.07}(\text{st})^{+0.1}_{-0.06}(\text{syst})$$

KamLAND+solar:

$$\Delta m^2 = 7.59 \pm 0.21 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (eV}^2\text{)}$$

$$\tan^2\theta = 0.47^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$$

Only the **LMA I** solution remains

KamLAND improved result for **mixing angle** and  $\Delta m^2$ . Solar data have no effect on the  $\Delta m^2$  measurement.

# What do we know and how do we know it

Not known  
Has CP  
phase

Bounded by CHOOZ

{ From Max. Atm. mixing,  
 $\nu_3 \equiv (\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau) / \sqrt{2}$

(mass)<sup>2</sup>



Don't know sign

$\Delta m_{atm}^2$

{ From  $\nu_\mu$ (Up) oscillate  
but  $\nu_\mu$ (Down) don't

0.0024 eV<sup>2</sup>

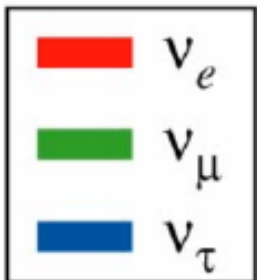
{ In LMA-MSW,  $P_{\odot}(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e)$   
=  $\nu_e$  fraction of  $\nu_2$  and KamLAND



}  $\Delta m_{\odot}^2$  ← From distortion of  $\nu_e$ (solar)  
and  $\bar{\nu}_e$ (reactor) spectra



0.000076 eV<sup>2</sup>



Measurements  
not yet precise

{ From Max. Atm. mixing,  $\nu_1$  &  $\nu_2$   
include  $(\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau) / \sqrt{2}$

# Current Neutrino Mixing Parameters

- $\Delta m_{32}^2 = m_3^2 - m_2^2 = \pm 2.3(2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
- $\Delta m_{21}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 = +7.6(2) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$

(Recent very precise KamLAND Measurement)

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{32}^2 \approx 1/30$$

Hierarchy  $m_3 > m_1$  (normal) or  $m_3 < m_1$  (inverted)

$$\theta_{23} \sim 45^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$$

$$\theta_{12} \sim 34^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{12} = 0.87$$

$$\theta_{13} \leq 11^\circ \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \leq 0.15$$

$$0 \leq \delta \leq 360^\circ ?$$

$$J_{\text{CP}} \cong 0.11 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$$



Oscillations: 3 Flavors

Mixing between flavors and mass states

Quark Sector

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Lepton Sector

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U' \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$U, U'$  unitary 3 x 3 matrix 3 mixing angles, one phase

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ -s_{12}c_{23}-c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{12}c_{23}-s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{13}-c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -c_{12}s_{23}-s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$$

$$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$$

$$J_{CP \text{ Jarlskog}} = \frac{1}{8} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \theta_{13} \sin \delta$$

Oscillations: 3 Flavors

Quark Sector CKM

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} .97 & .23 & (2 - 3i)10^{-3} \\ -.23 & .97 & .04 \\ (7 - 3i)10^{-3} & -.04 & .99 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J = 3.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\delta = 57^\circ$$

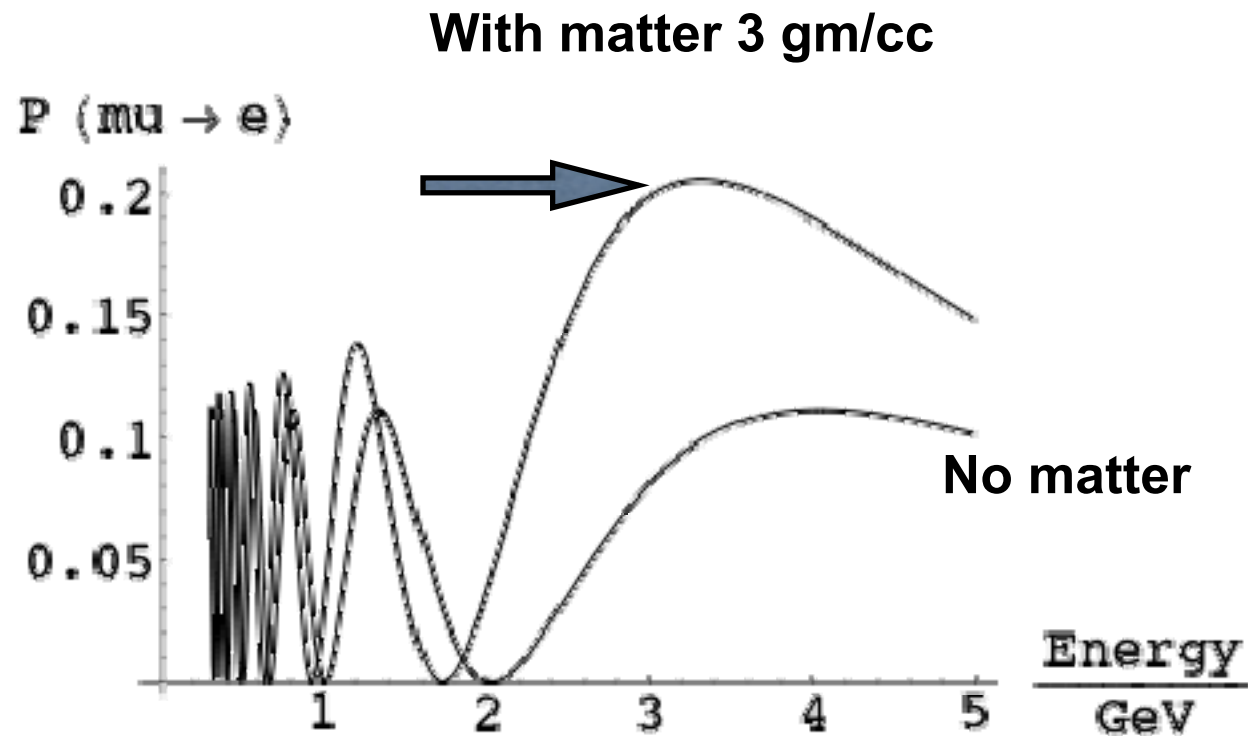
Lepton Sector

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} .81 & .51 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ -.4 - .6 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .6 - .4 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .7 \\ .4 - .6 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -.6 - .4 s_{13}e^{i\delta} & .7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s_{13} \equiv \sin \theta_{13} \leq 0.2$$

$$J = .11 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin \delta$$

# Matter effect with 2-neutrinos

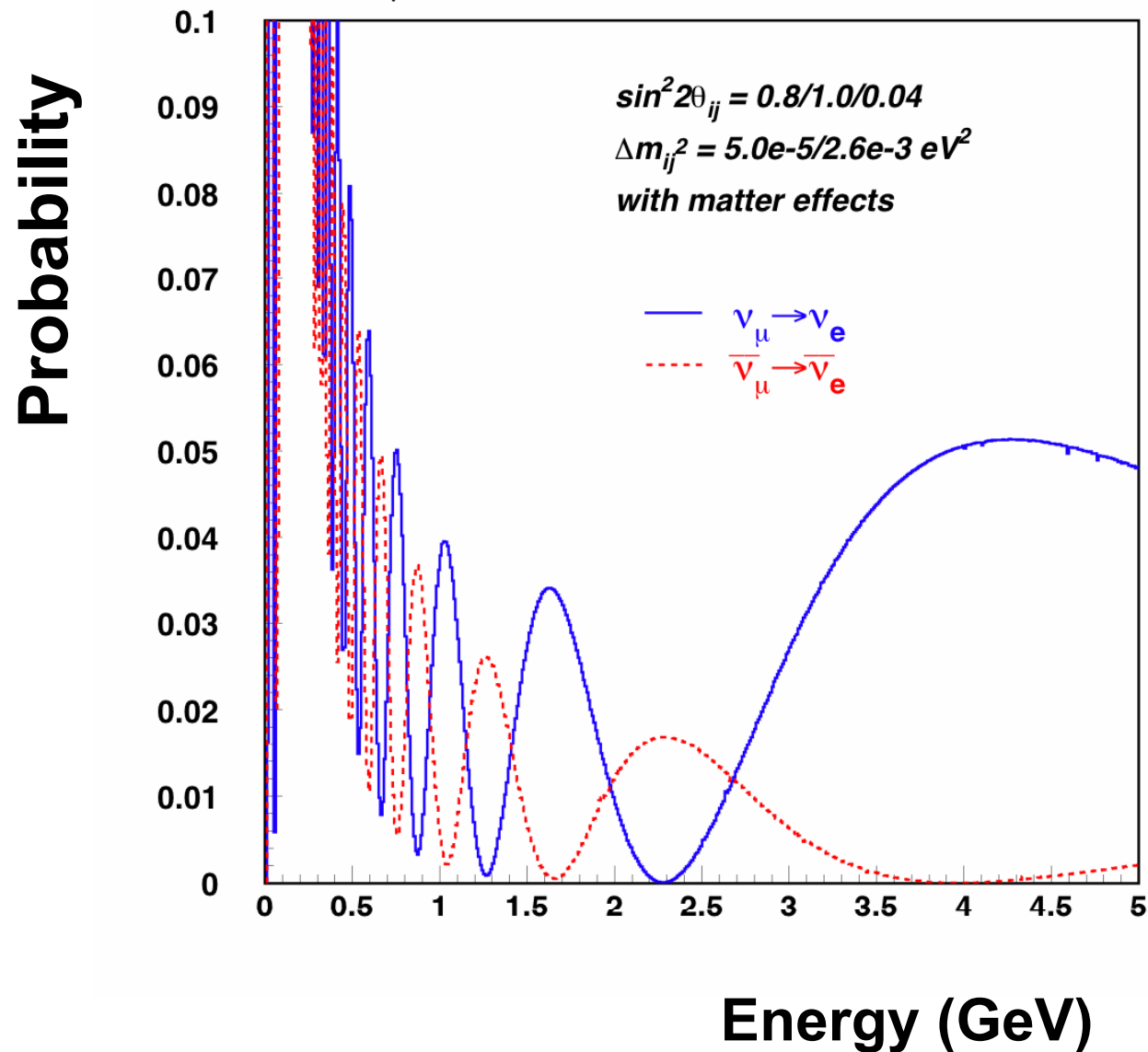


Osc. probability:  $0.0025 \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $L = 2000 \text{ km}$ ,  $\Theta = 10^\circ$

# Example of oscillation probability with matter effects

**L=2540 km**

**$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$  with  $45^\circ$  CP phase**



# $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ with matter effect

Approximate formula (M. Freund)

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \sin^2 \theta_{23} \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_{13}}{(\hat{A} - 1)^2} \sin^2((\hat{A} - 1)\Delta)$$

matter effect  $\sim E$

~7500 km  
no CPV.  
magic bln

$$+ \alpha \frac{8J_{CP}}{\hat{A}(1 - \hat{A})} \sin(\Delta) \sin(\hat{A}\Delta) \sin((1 - \hat{A})\Delta)$$

CPV term  
approximate  
dependence  
 $\sim L/E$

$$+ \alpha \frac{8I_{CP}}{\hat{A}(1 - \hat{A})} \cos(\Delta) \sin(\hat{A}\Delta) \sin((1 - \hat{A})\Delta)$$

$$+ \alpha^2 \frac{\cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12}}{\hat{A}^2} \sin^2(\hat{A}\Delta)$$

solar term

$$J_{CP} = 1/8 \sin \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23}$$

$$I_{CP} = 1/8 \cos \delta_{CP} \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23}$$

$$\alpha = \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{31}^2, \quad \Delta = \Delta m_{31}^2 L / 4E$$

$$\hat{A} = 2VE / \Delta m_{31}^2 \approx (E_\nu / \text{GeV}) / 11 \text{ For Earth's crust.}$$

linear dep.

CP asymmetry grows  
as  $\theta_{13}$  becomes  
smaller

# Implications

Have some knowledge of

Theta 23 , Theta 12, and Squares of 12, and 32 mass differences

Require More Precise values of above and

Theta 13, sign of 32 mass difference and CP violation

New Era

Very Large Detectors

Long Baseline

High Intensity Beams

First Proposed (2003)

Very Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation

Experiment for Precise Measurement of mixing Parameters and CP Violating Effects

M. Diwan et. al.

Phys. Rev. D 68, 12002 (2003)

# Key Experimental Factors

## Large Detectors

– >> 100 ktons

Water Cerenkov                      300 Ktons  
(50kt)

Liquid Argon TPC 100 Ktons  
(.6 kt)

Liquid Scintillator                50 Ktons  
(1 kt)

## High Proton Beam Intensities

1 Mwatt

60 GeV on axis

120 GeV slightly off axis

## Long Neutrino Flight Paths

$L > 1,000$  km

1,300 km Fermilab – Homestake

Neutrino Energies 0.5 – 10 GeV

## Being Pursued

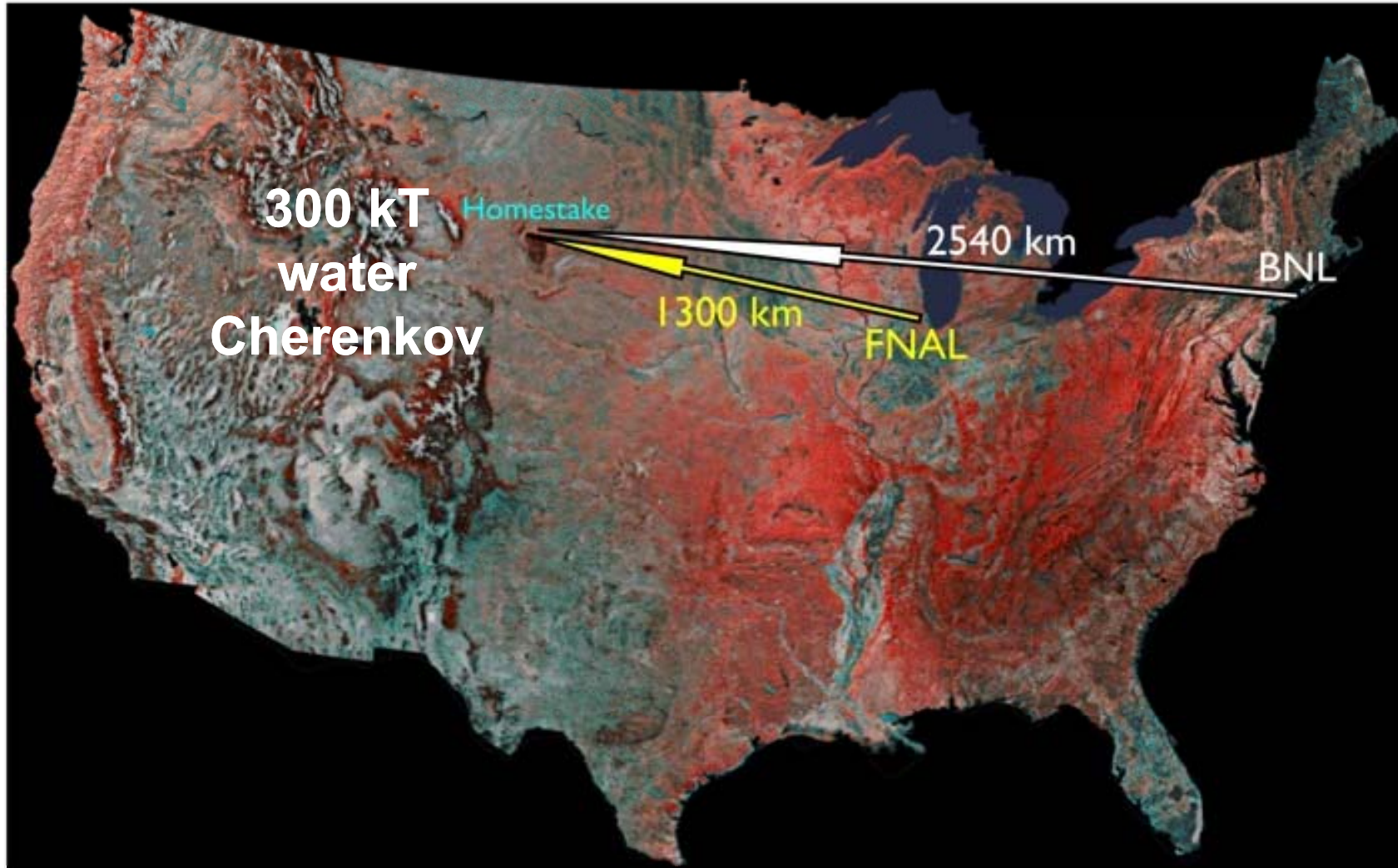
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Europe

Japan

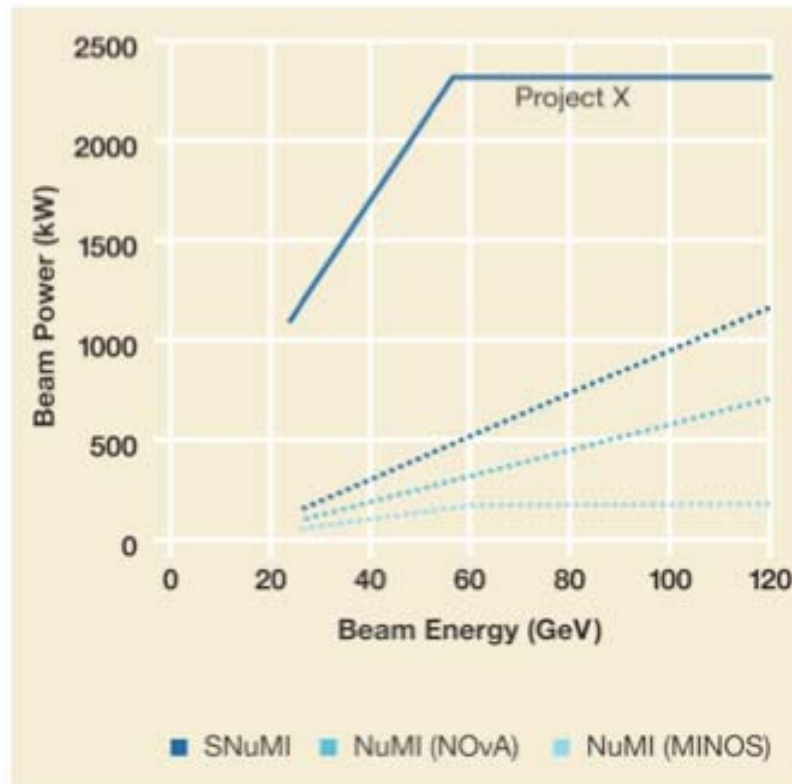
## FNAL to DUSEL long baseline experiment

Beam requirement:  $>1$  MW, 1000 to 2000 km





- **60 -120 GeV** protons from the Main Injector fed by Project X



20-40x10<sup>20</sup> POT/yr

10x10<sup>20</sup> POT/yr

6x10<sup>20</sup> POT/yr

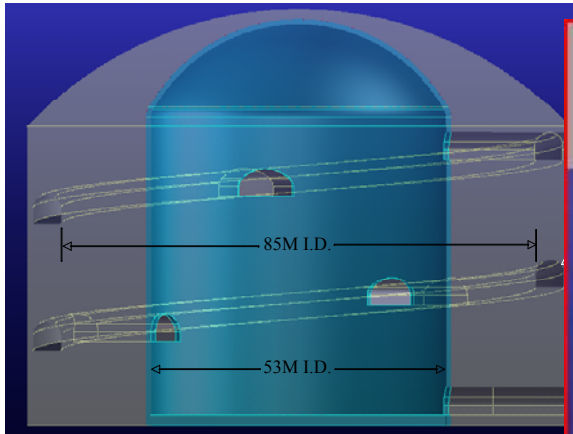
3x10<sup>20</sup> POT/yr

Recent sensitivity studies are being done for 120x10<sup>20</sup> POT each  $\nu$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  (120 GeV)

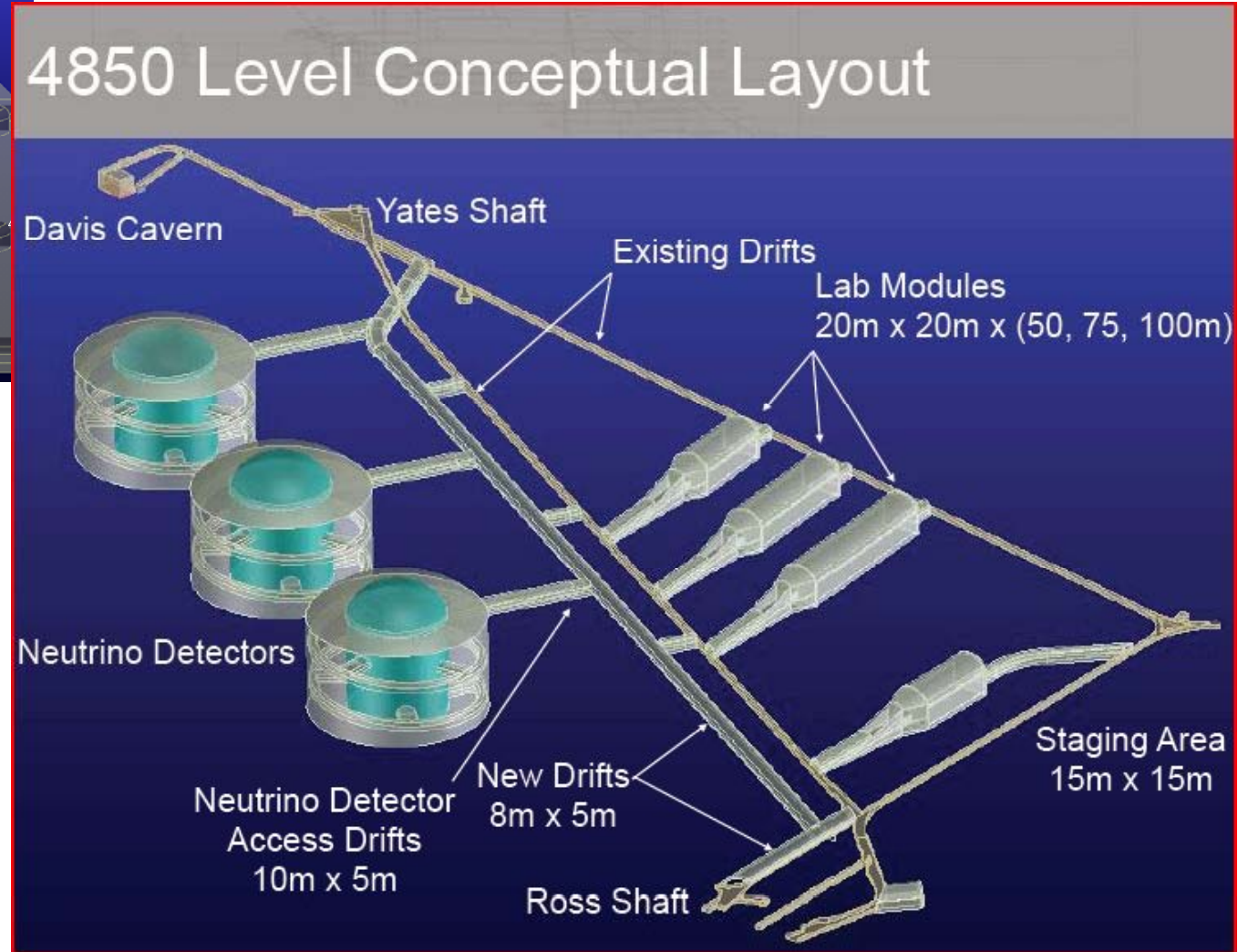
$$POT(10^{20}) = \frac{1000 \times BeamPower(MW) \times T(10^7 s)}{1.602 \times E_p(GeV)}$$

**5.2 10<sup>20</sup> POT for 1 MW and 10<sup>7</sup> sec**

# Water Cherenkov Detector



**1 module fid:  
100 kT**



**300 kT**

# Studies:

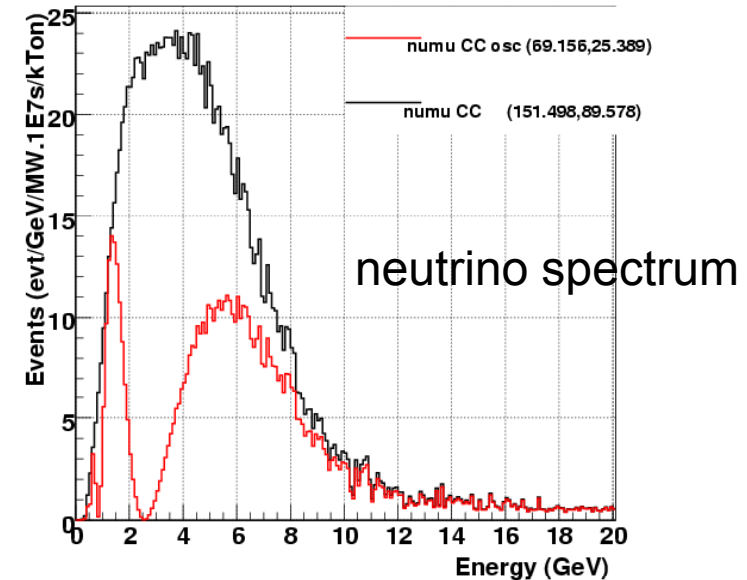
- Baseline: 1300km  
Fermilab – Homestake
- Detector: 300 Kton Water Cerenkov  
100 Kton Liquid Ar TPC
- Beam: 60 GeV, 0°  
120 GeV, 0.5°
- Intensity:  $7 \times 10^{13}$  ppp/ 4/3 sec. rep rate  
 $2 \times 10^7$  sec/yr  
 $10 \times 10^{20}$  POT/yr
- Disappearance:  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$
- Appearance:  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$

# Event rate

**Evt rate: 1 MW for 3 yrs** ★

Event type	300kT, 120 GeV 0.5 deg.	300kT, 60 GeV 0 deg.
Numu CC no osc	161820	272693
Numu CC with osc	68220	124479

wble060 disappearance 1300km / 0km



High precision  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{31}$

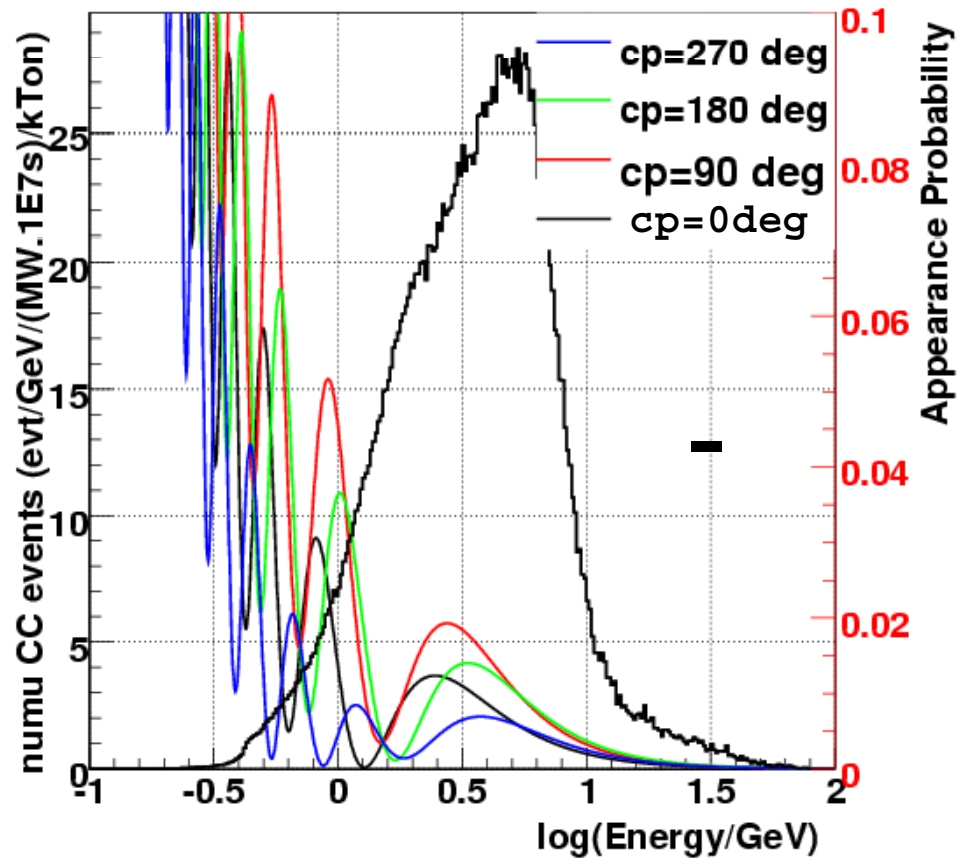
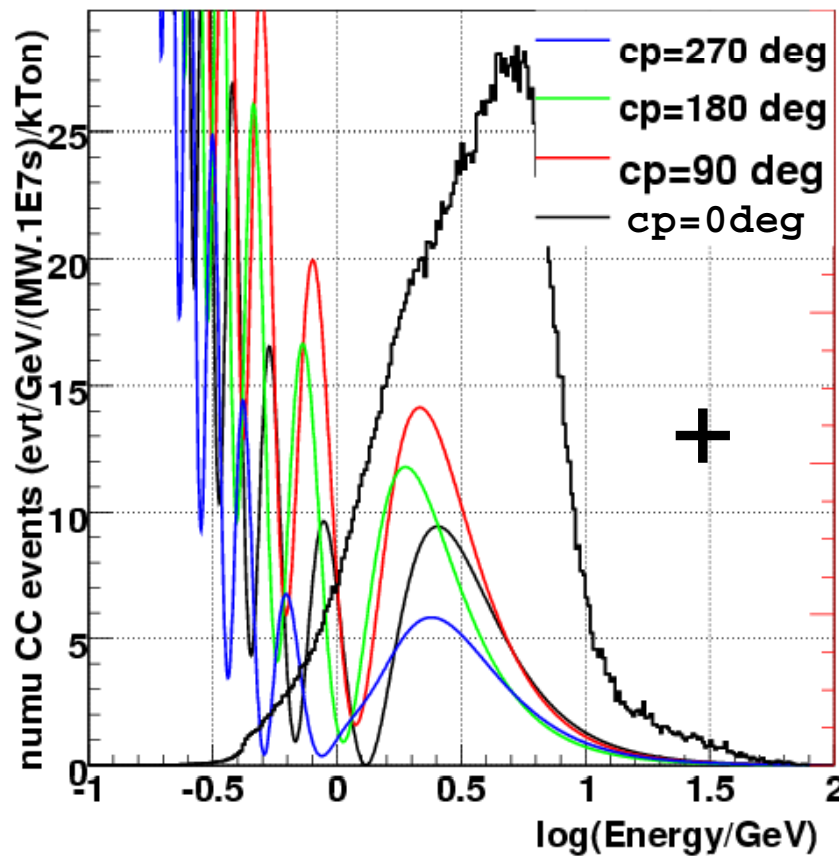
- Important (esp.  $\theta_{23} \sim 45$  deg.) with possibility of new physics.
- Either 120 GeV or 60 GeV beam can be used: two oscillation nodes.
- Measurement dominated by systematics (see hep/0407047) ( $\sim 1\%$ )

★ yr  $\sim 2 \times 10^7$  sec

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  Probability (for some CP angles and the mass ordering)  
superimposed on charged current  $\nu_\mu$  rate

wble120, numu CC, sin2theta13=0.04, 1300km/0km

wble120, numu CC, sin2theta13=0.04, 1300km/0km



# Electron neutrino appearance spectra

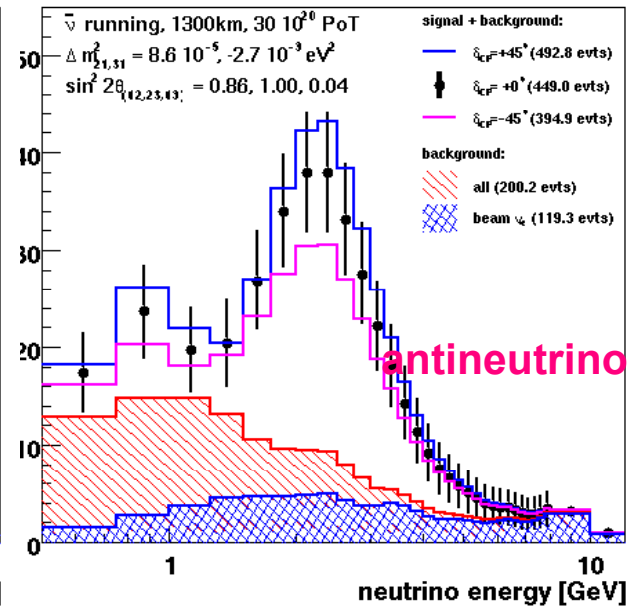
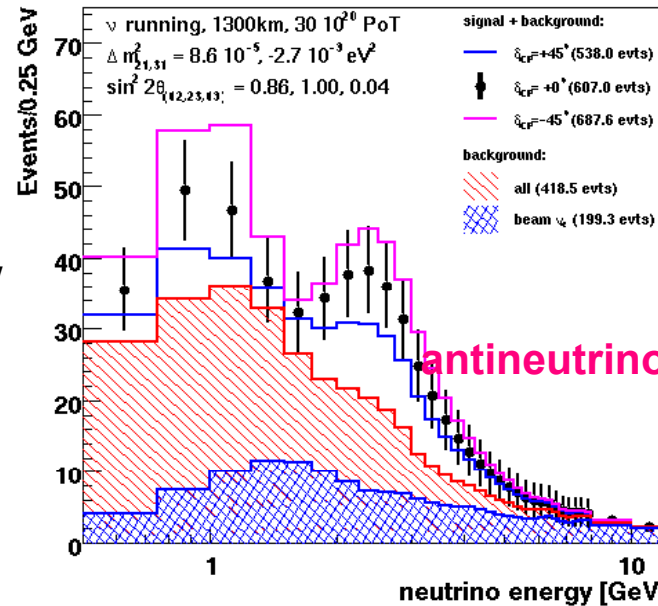
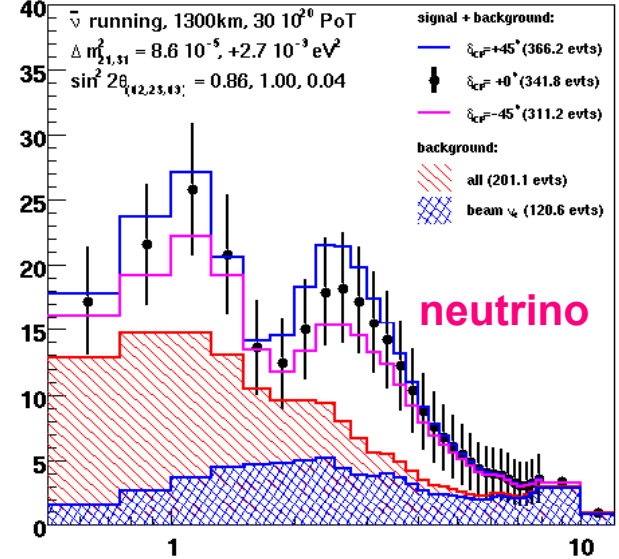
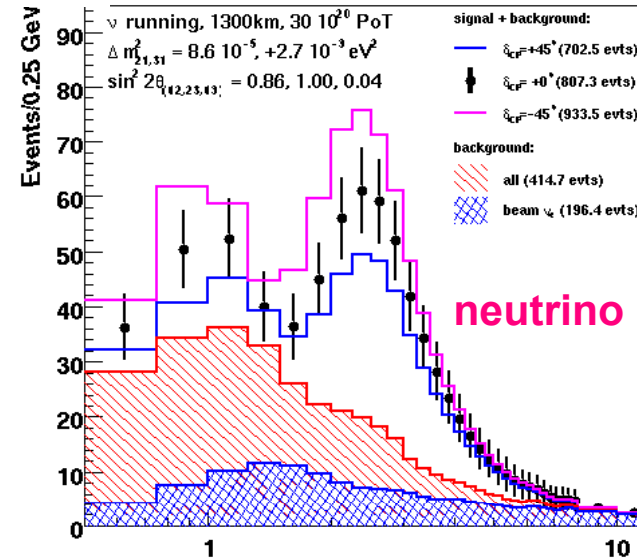
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04$ , 300kT WCe., WBLE 120 GeV, 1300km, 30E20 POT.

( $-\delta_{cp} = -45^\circ$ ,  $-\delta_{cp} = +45^\circ$ )

- All background sources are included.
- S/B  $\sim 2$  in peak.
- NC background about same as beam  $\nu_e$  backg.
- For normal hierarchy sensitivity will be from neutrino running.
- For reversed hierarchy anti-neutrino running essential.
- Better efficiency at low energies expected with higher PMT counts.

## Normal

## Reversed



# Electron neutrino appearance spectra

$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04$ , 100kT LAr., WBLE 120 GeV, 1300km, 30E20 POT.

$(-\delta_{CP} = -45^\circ, -\delta_{CP} = +45^\circ)$

Normal

Reversed

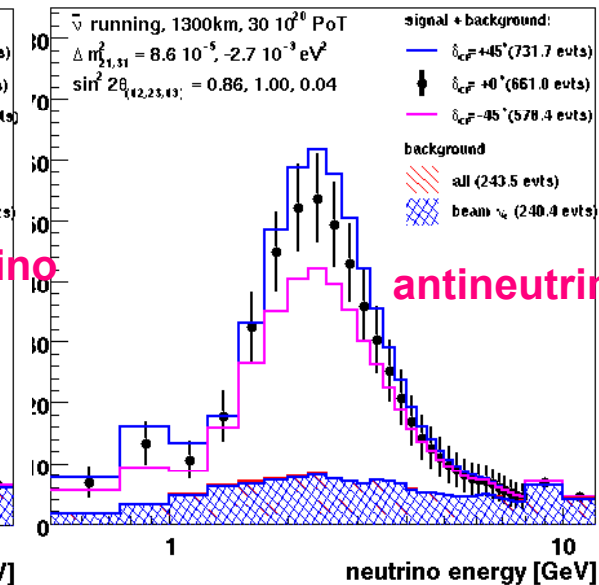
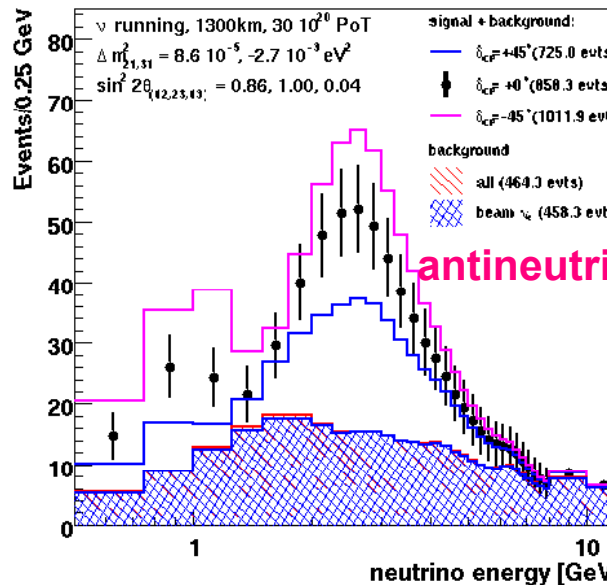
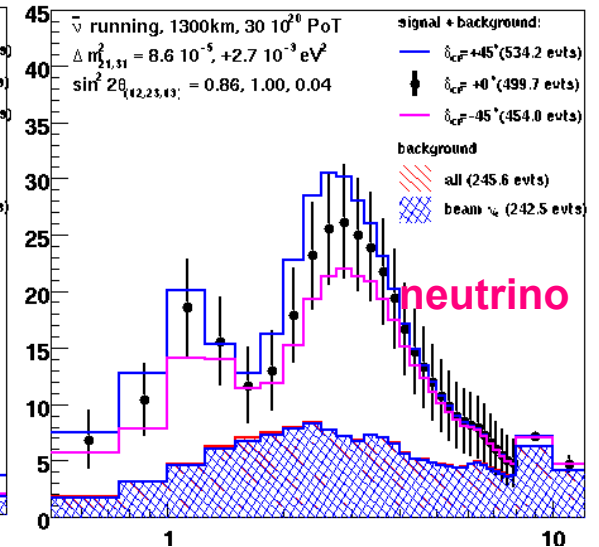
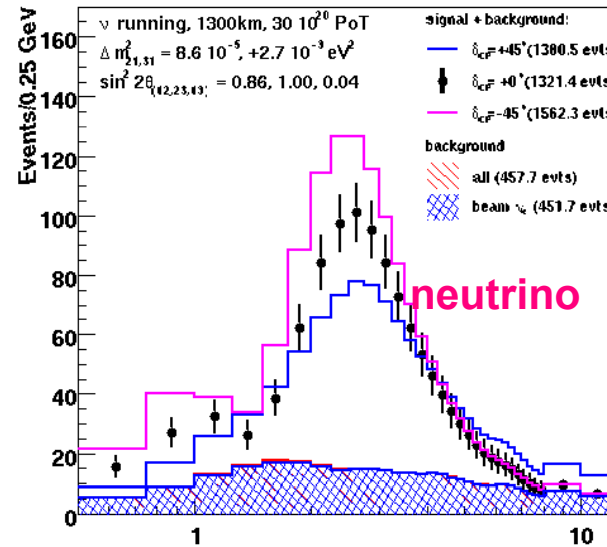
- LAR assumptions

- 80% efficiency on electron neutrino CC events.

- $\text{sig}(E)/E = 5\%/\text{sqrt}(E)$  on quasielastics

- $\text{sig}(E)/E = 20\%/\text{sqrt}(E)$  on other CC events

Spectra and sensitivity is the work of M. Bishai, Mark Dierckxsens, Patrick Huber + many helpers

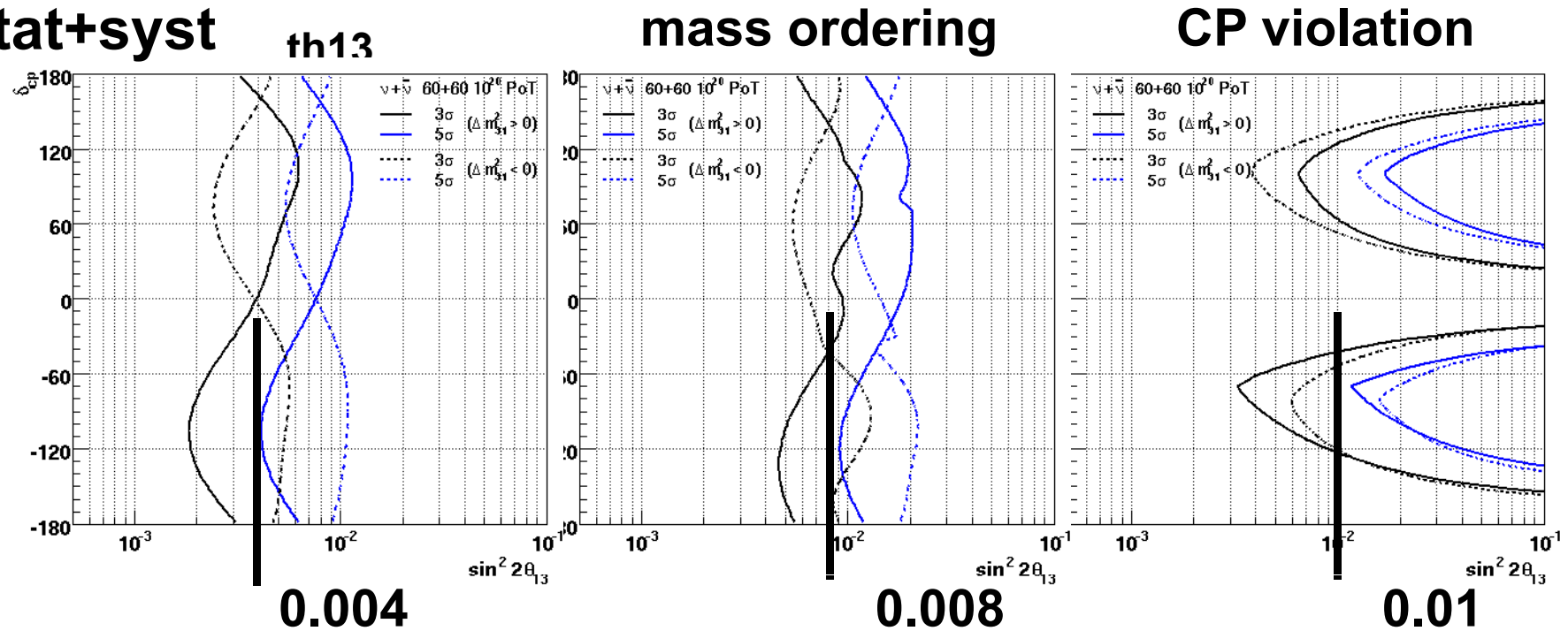


# WBLE to DUSEL(1300km) 3sig, 5sig discovery regions.

300 kT WCh

60 10<sup>20</sup> POT for each nu and anu

Stat+syst

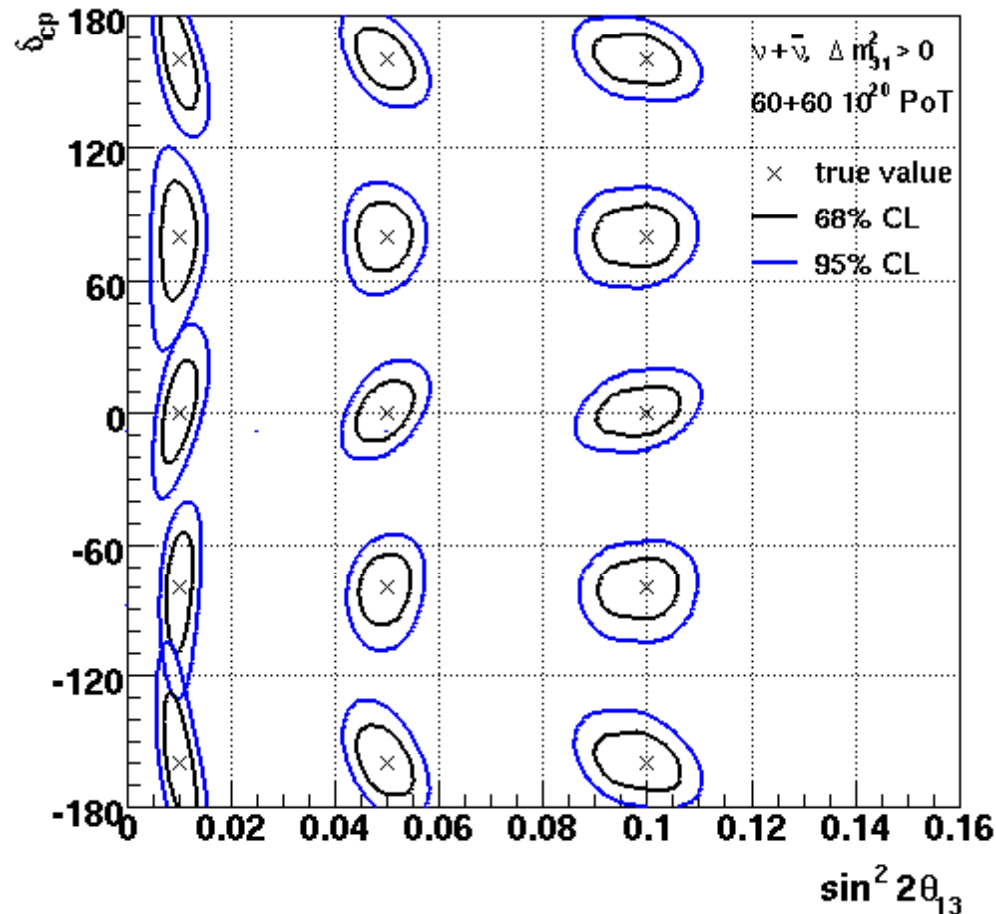


CP Fraction: Fraction of the CP phase (0-2pi) covered at a particular confidence level.

Report the value of th13 at the 50% CP fraction.



- Program should lead to measurement of 3-generation parameters without ambiguities.
- CP measurement is approximately independent of  $\theta_{13}$  if not background limited. Need large detector independent of  $\theta_{13}$  value.



**300 kT water Cherenkov detector @DUSEL**  
**Measurement of CP phase and  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$  at several points. All ambiguities and mass hierarchy are resolved.**

# Deductions

$\nu + \overline{\nu}'s$

$60 \times 10^{20} POT$   
6 – 12 yrs

3 – 5  $\sigma$  effects

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sim .004$$

Mass Hierarchy if  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > .008$

CP violation if  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} > .01$

Programs:

Fermilab – Homestake

JPARC – SuperK/Island/South Korea

CERN-Finland/Great Britain

# Proton Decay

## Early Experiments

IMB, Kolar Gold Mine, Homestake, Soudan, Frejus

## Recent Experiments

Kameokande, Superkameokande

Theory:  $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$      $p \rightarrow k^+ \nu$

SU(5) Minimal     $10^{29}$ - $10^{30}$  yrs     $10^{28}$ - $10^{30}$  yrs  
SUSY GUT

SU(5)     $2 \times 10^{35}$  yrs     $10^{34}$  yrs  
SO(10)

Exp. Limits     $8.2 \times 10^{33}$  yrs     $>1.6 \times 10^{33}$  yrs

SuperK 141 kton yrs

Next Order of Magnitude

Again Need very large detectors

# Supernova Neutrinos

SN87A      IMB  
              Kameokande      19 Events

Core of Supernova  
Supernova Hydrodynamics  
Fundamental Neutrino Properties

Galactic Supernovae  
~ 40 years      ( $\bar{\nu} + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ )  
~ 100,000 events in 10 kpc

Diffuse (Relic) Supernova  
Close to present limits

Measure Neutrino  
Number  
Energy  
Time

Need many Large Detectors

# Conclusions

## **New Era:**

**Large Scale detectors**

**Intense Beams**

**Long distances**

## **Grand opportunity:**

**Greatly improve accuracy of**

**atmospheric and solar neutrino parameters**

**Resolve value of  $\theta_{13}$ , mass hierarchy and possibly  
observe CP violation**

**Observe Supernova**

**Possibly observe proton decay**