

# Methods for new physics searches in neutrino telescopes

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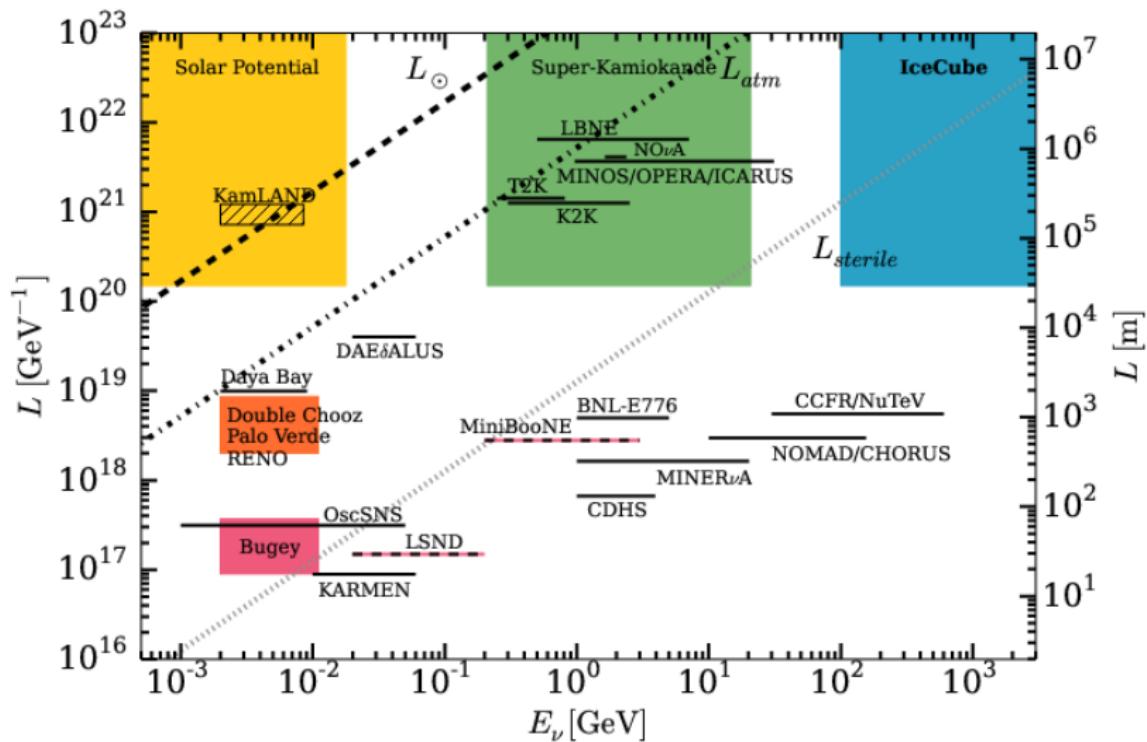
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# What about sterile neutrinos?



[modified from J.S. Diaz and V.A. Kostelecky, Phys.Lett. B700, 25 (2011)]

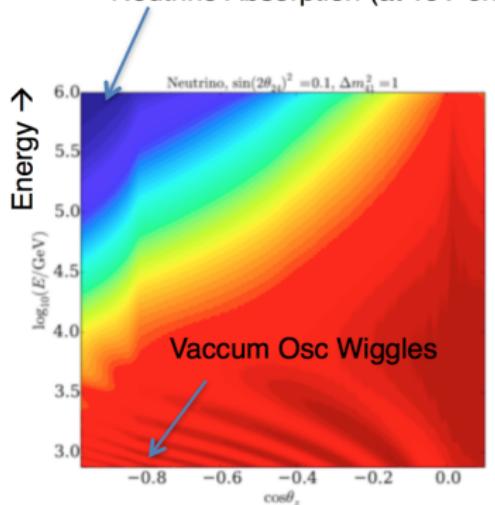
# Sterile neutrinos and IceCube

<https://github.com/jsalvado/SQuIDS>

From NuSquids,  
(Argüelles Delgado, et al)

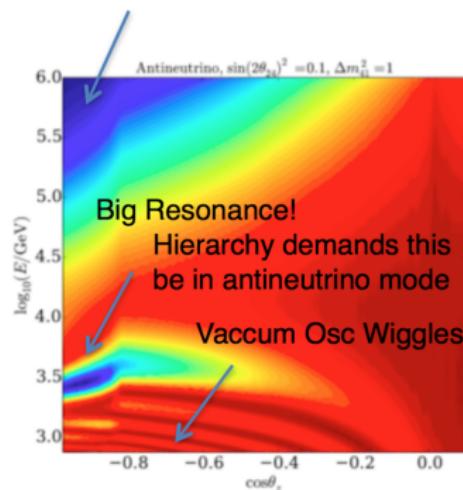
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Neutrino Absorption (at TeV energies, neutrinos are absorbed by the earth)



Up (through core)

Horizon



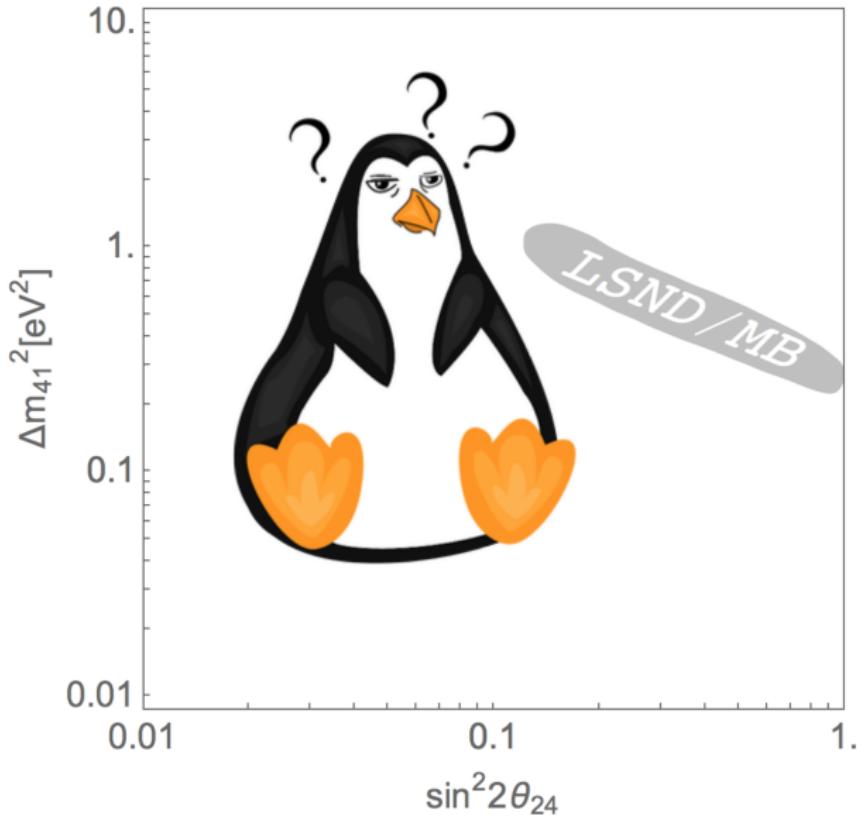
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Matter Signal antineutrino, because of the known hierarchy  
→ Access to the antineutrino ν<sub>μ</sub> oscillation parameters!

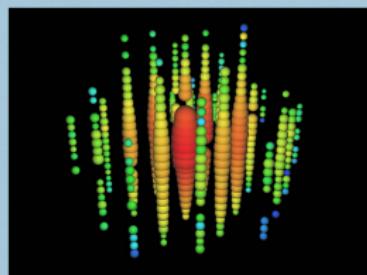
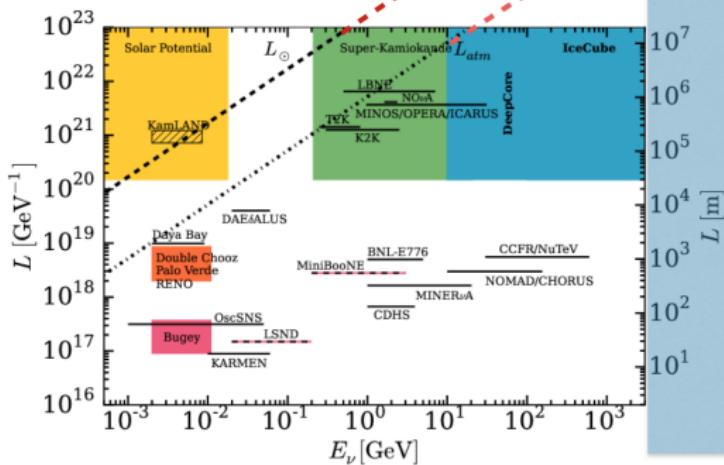
Slide courtesy of Janet Conrad/Joachim Kopp

IceCube results soon! Stay tuned



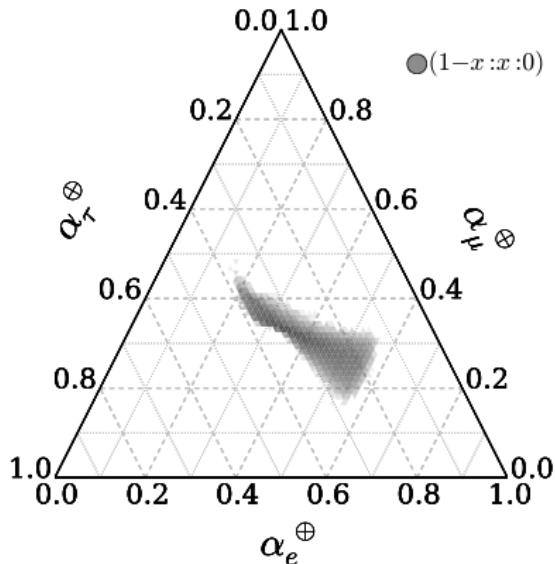
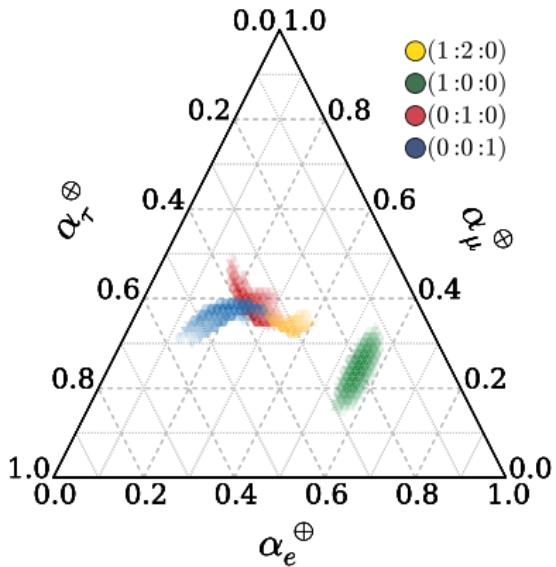
## Extra Galactic

1 Mpc (~Andromeda)



$> 10$  TeV

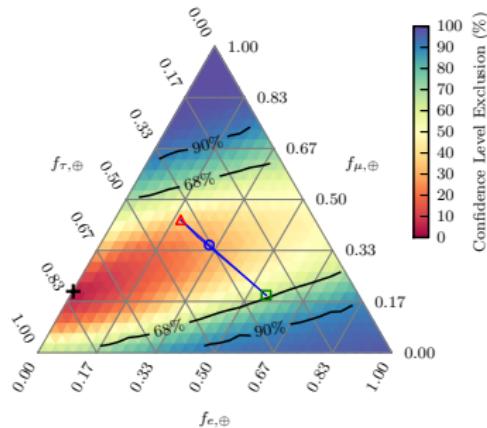
## Standard three flavor expectation



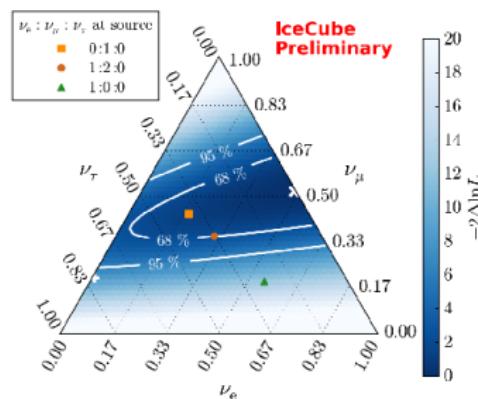
- ▶ Different initial flavor hypotheses: pion decay (1 : 2 : 0), rapid muon energy loss (0 : 1 : 0), neutron decay (1 : 0 : 0), exotic tau (0 : 0 : 1).
- ▶ Regions sizes given by the uncertainty in the mixing angles.

# Official IceCube flavor ratio results

- ▶ IceCube has recently measured the astrophysical flavor ratio.
- ▶ Both analysis are compatible with (1:1:1) at a  $1\sigma$  level.



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<https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/10819/>

# It's complicated

- The flavor ratio best fit strongly depends on the analysis energy range, spectral index, spectral cut off, background estimation. Is it a power law?
- The *track-cascade mis-ID* is very important.

TABLE I. *Summary of the best-fit points (Bayesian posterior means in parentheses) in each model we considered to analyze the IceCube data, with 1 $\sigma$  errors.* Fixed quantities are indicated by 6P. Parameters sets refer to the 6-parameter set (6P) defined in Eq. (68), while 3P fixes  $\gamma$  to 2.3, and the background counts  $N_a$  and  $N_\mu$  to the rates estimated by IceCube. The 4P case allows the spectral index to vary; “4P+br.” indicates a break of one unit in the spectral index of the astrophysical neutrino spectrum at  $E_\nu = 1$  PeV, as discussed in Section V C. Finally the rows labelled “20% mis-ID” (“30% mis-ID”) include a 20% (30%) fraction of tracks misidentified as showers, as discussed in Section V D. The final column indicates the p-value of the flavor composition ( $1 : 1 : 1$ ) $_{\oplus}$ , assuming the test statistic  $-2 \log(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}_{\text{max}})$  to follow a  $\chi^2$  distribution.

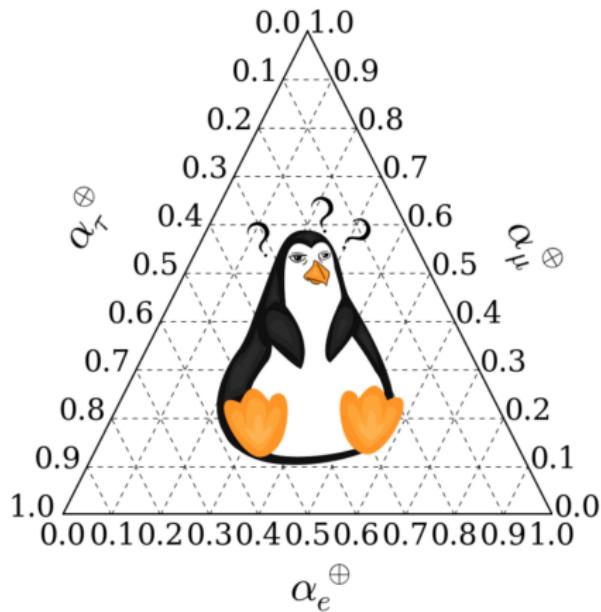
Energy range	Params.	$(\alpha_e : \alpha_\mu : \alpha_\tau)_{\oplus}$	$\gamma$	$N_a$	$N_\nu$	$N_\mu$	$p(1 : 1 : 1)_{\oplus}$	
28 TeV – 3 PeV	6P	(0.75 : 0.25 : 0.00)	$2.96^{+0.34}_{-0.34}$ (2.86 ± 0.28)	$26.2^{+8.8}_{-7.7}$ (25.3 ± 5.7)	$4.8^{+0.1}_{-0.4}$ (7.9 ± 4.7)	$4.7^{+4.4}_{-3.7}$ (6.0 ± 3.1)	0.84	
	4P	(0.86 : 0.14 : 0.00)	$2.82^{+0.31}_{-0.31}$ (2.85 ± 0.26)	$23.6^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ (24.8 ± 5.2)	6.6	8.4	0.42	
	3P	(0.92 : 0.08 : 0.00)	2.3	$20.6^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$ (22.2 ± 5.0)	6.6	8.4	0.29	
	20% mis-ID	4P	$0.77 : 0.23 : 0.00$	$2.76^{+0.31}_{-0.31}$ (2.78 ± 0.27)	$22.4^{+0.8}_{-0.8}$ (23.8 ± 5.2)	6.6	8.4	0.71
28 TeV – 10 PeV	6P	(0.63 : 0.27 : 0.10)	$3.02^{+0.38}_{-0.38}$ (2.95 ± 0.25)	$26.9^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$ (25.9 ± 5.6)	$4.1^{+0.5}_{-0.8}$ (7.5 ± 4.5)	$4.9^{+0.5}_{-0.8}$ (5.9 ± 3.0)	0.89	
	4P	(0.85 : 0.14 : 0.01)	$2.90^{+0.32}_{-0.31}$ (2.92 ± 0.24)	$23.7^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$ (25.1 ± 5.2)	6.6	8.4	0.48	
	3P	(0.00 : 0.00 : 1.00)	2.3	$21.1^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$ (21.9 ± 4.8)	6.6	8.4	0.16	
	20% mis-ID	4P	(0.75 : 0.25 : 0.00)	$2.87^{+0.27}_{-0.27}$ (2.86 ± 0.25)	$23.2^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$ (24.1 ± 5.1)	6.6	8.4	0.79
60 TeV – 3 PeV	6P	(0.98 : 0.00 : 0.02)	$2.34^{+0.30}_{-0.31}$ (2.40 ± 0.29)	$13.7^{+7.2}_{-5.4}$ (16.0 ± 4.0)	$6.5^{+4.1}_{-5.5}$ (4.6 ± 3.1)	$0.1^{+4.8}_{-0.0}$ (3.0 ± 2.0)	0.50	
	4P	(0.77 : 0.23 : 0.00)	$2.48^{+0.36}_{-0.35}$ (2.52 ± 0.27)	$16.6^{+4.9}_{-4.9}$ (17.6 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.69	
	4P+br	(0.76 : 0.24 : 0.00)	$2.35^{+0.36}_{-0.34}$ (2.37 ± 0.31)	$16.5^{+4.7}_{-4.8}$ (17.6 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.58	
	3P	(0.82 : 0.18 : 0.00)	2.3	$16.2^{+5.5}_{-5.0}$ (17.4 ± 4.2)	2.4	0.4	0.60	
20% mis-ID	4P	(0.68 : 0.32 : 0.00)	$2.48^{+0.30}_{-0.34}$ (2.49 ± 0.28)	$16.4^{+4.7}_{-5.0}$ (17.4 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.88	
	6P	(0.01 : 0.01 : 0.98)	$2.48^{+0.34}_{-0.34}$ (2.58 ± 0.25)	$16.6^{+7.0}_{-7.2}$ (16.4 ± 4.0)	$1.5^{+7.0}_{-1.1}$ (4.3 ± 3.0)	$2.2^{+2.8}_{-2.2}$ (2.9 ± 2.0)	0.61	
	4P	(0.00 : 0.02 : 0.98)	$2.50^{+0.36}_{-0.36}$ (2.65 ± 0.25)	$16.4^{+4.8}_{-4.8}$ (17.6 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.69	
	4P+br	(0.75 : 0.25 : 0.00)	$2.43^{+0.31}_{-0.34}$ (2.44 ± 0.29)	$16.5^{+4.8}_{-4.8}$ (17.6 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.65	
60 TeV – 10 PeV	3P	(0.00 : 0.00 : 1.00)	2.3	$16.2^{+4.0}_{-4.0}$ (17.3 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.33	
	4P	(0.00 : 0.11 : 0.89)	$2.50^{+0.35}_{-0.35}$ (2.62 ± 0.25)	$16.7^{+4.8}_{-4.8}$ (17.5 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.82	
	20% mis-ID	4P	(0.00 : 0.18 : 0.82)	$2.49^{+0.35}_{-0.35}$ (2.61 ± 0.25)	$16.3^{+5.8}_{-5.9}$ (17.4 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.84
	30% mis-ID	4P	(0.00 : 0.18 : 0.82)	$2.49^{+0.35}_{-0.35}$ (2.61 ± 0.25)	$16.3^{+5.8}_{-5.9}$ (17.4 ± 4.1)	2.4	0.4	0.84

TABLE II. *Same as Tab. I but for the 7P analyses, i.e., including the number of prompt atmospheric neutrinos  $N_p$  associated with charmed meson decays, as well as a prior on the  $N_a$  and  $N_\mu$ , as explained after Eq. (69).*

Energy range	$(\alpha_e : \alpha_\mu : \alpha_\tau)_{\oplus}$	$\gamma$	$N_a$	$N_\nu$	$N_\mu$	$N_p$	$p(1 : 1 : 1)_{\oplus}$
28 TeV – 3 PeV	(0.75 : 0.25 : 0.00)	$2.93^{+0.32}_{-0.39}$ (2.80 ± 0.40)	$24.6^{+10.0}_{-7.2}$ (20.7 ± 6.4)	$4.3^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$ (6.8 ± 3.9)	$6.6^{+2.6}_{-2.2}$ (7.1 ± 2.0)	$0.2^{+3.9}_{-0.2}$ (4.7 ± 3.1)	0.80
28 TeV – 10 PeV	(0.61 : 0.30 : 0.09)	$2.97^{+0.31}_{-0.31}$ (2.91 ± 0.33)	$26.5^{+8.3}_{-7.2}$ (21.6 ± 6.2)	$2.9^{+7.4}_{-6.3}$ (6.3 ± 3.8)	$6.8^{+2.6}_{-2.2}$ (7.0 ± 2.0)	$0.2^{+3.8}_{-0.2}$ (4.5 ± 3.0)	0.89
60 TeV – 3 PeV	(0.99 : 0.00 : 0.01)	$2.23^{+0.44}_{-0.41}$ (2.24 ± 0.36)	$11.9^{+7.3}_{-5.3}$ (12.4 ± 4.2)	$6.8^{+3.4}_{-4.2}$ (5.3 ± 2.9)	$0.1^{+0.7}_{-0.1}$ (0.8 ± 0.6)	$0.7^{+3.2}_{-0.4}$ (3.4 ± 1.8)	0.43
60 TeV – 10 PeV	(0.01 : 0.01 : 0.98)	$2.39^{+0.40}_{-0.28}$ (2.47 ± 0.31)	$14.3^{+1.9}_{-1.7}$ (12.9 ± 4.1)	$4.5^{+1.2}_{-1.8}$ (4.9 ± 2.8)	$0.1^{+0.7}_{-0.1}$ (0.8 ± 0.6)	$1.0^{+2.7}_{-0.7}$ (3.2 ± 1.8)	0.55

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- ▶ More statistics is needed to precisely measure the astrophysical flavor ratio (Gen-2?).
- ▶ What are the allowed regions on the flavor triangle in the presence of **new physics**?



## Introducing new physics

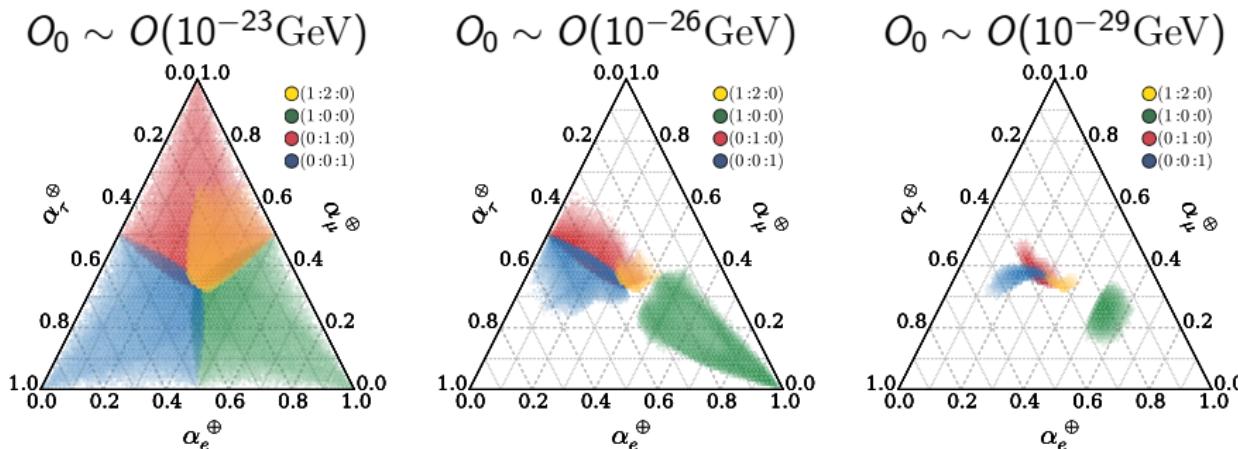
The new total propagation Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2E} U^\dagger M^2 U + \sum_n \left( \frac{E}{\Lambda_n} \right)^n \tilde{U}_n^\dagger O_n \tilde{U}_n$$

- ▶ We study  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$  terms. (in this talk only  $n = 0$ )
- ▶ We assume that total decoherence still holds in the presence of the new operators.
- ▶ We assume anarchic sampling on the new physics mixing matrices

$$d\tilde{U}_n = d\tilde{s}_{12}^2 \wedge d\tilde{c}_{13}^4 \wedge d\tilde{s}_{23}^2 \wedge d\tilde{\delta}$$

# Flavor triangle in the presence of new physics



- ▶ Best bounds on this operators from SK/IceCube at  $O(10^{-23} \text{ GeV})$ . [SuperKamiokande Phys. Rev. D91 \(5\) \(2015\) 052003](#); [IceCube, Phys. Rev. D82 \(2010\) 112003](#); [Kostelecky et al. Rev. Mod. Phys. 83 \(2011\) 11-31 \[arXiv:0801.0287\]](#)
- ▶ @  $O(10^{-29} \text{ GeV})$  mass term uncertainties dominate.
- ▶  $\nu_\tau$  dominated region not accessible even under new physics in propagation.

## Closing remarks

- ▶ More details in poster and paper!
- ▶ We have presented the reach of new physics scenarios in the astrophysical flavor ratio under the presence of LV/CPT-like scenarios.
- ▶ Precise measurement of the flavor ration can put strong constrains on  $O_i$ ; in particular LV/CPT operators.
- ▶ More data is needed! Meanwhile, we hope for non standard flavor ratio.
- ▶ Also stay tune for the new  $\nu_\mu$  IceCube disappearance result!!!

Thanks!