

# **Some attempts to explain MINOS anomaly**

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# 1. Introduction

## Candidates for new physics to be tested at future LBL

Scenarios	Phenomenological bound on deviation from standard case
NSI at production / detection	$O(1\%)$
NSI in propagation $\varepsilon_{\mu\alpha}$	$O(1\%)$
NSI in propagation $\varepsilon_{[\mathrm{e}\tau][\mathrm{e}\tau]}$	$O(100\%)$
Violation of unitarity due to heavy particles	$O(0.1\%)$
Light sterile neutrinos	$O(10\%)$

## ● NP in propagation (NP matter effect)

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \left[ U \text{diag}(E_1, E_2, E_3) U^{-1} + A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon_{ee} & \epsilon_{e\mu} & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ \epsilon_{\mu e} & 1 & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ \epsilon_{\tau e} & \epsilon_{\tau\mu} & 1 & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

$A \equiv \sqrt{2}G_F N_e$   $N_e \equiv$  electron density

NP

## ● Constraints on $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$

Davidson et al., JHEP 0303:011,2003; Berezhiani, Rossi, PLB535 ('02)  
207; Barranco et al., PRD73 ('06) 113001; Barranco et al., arXiv:0711.0698

Biggio et al., JHEP 0908, 090 (2009) w/o 1-loop arguments

related to each  
other by  $\nabla_{\text{atm}}$

can be improved  
by  $\nabla_{\text{atm}}$

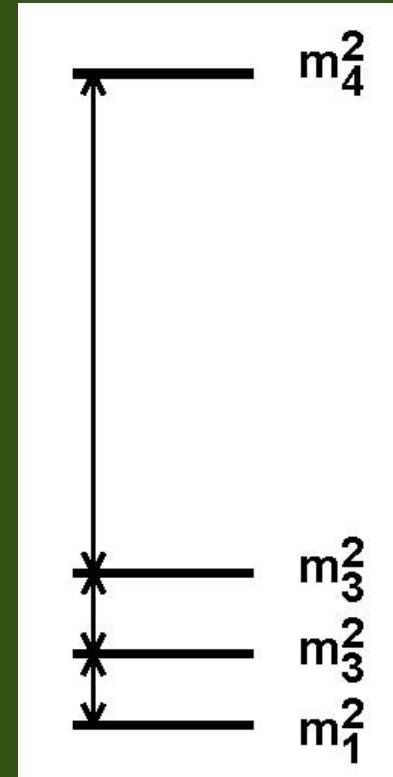
$$\left( \begin{array}{l} |\epsilon_{ee}| \lesssim 4 \times 10^0 \\ |\epsilon_{e\mu}| \lesssim 3 \times 10^{-1} \\ |\epsilon_{\mu\mu}| \lesssim 7 \times 10^{-2} \\ |\epsilon_{e\tau}| \lesssim 3 \times 10^0 \\ |\epsilon_{\mu\tau}| \lesssim 3 \times 10^{-1} \\ |\epsilon_{\tau\tau}| \lesssim 2 \times 10^1 \end{array} \right)$$

## ● Sterile neutrinos: (3+1)-schemes

(A) Take LSND/MB anti- $\nu$  seriously & assume tension with negative disappearance results is OK

(B) Forget about LSND/MB anti- $\nu$  & assume the mixing angles satisfy all the constraints of the negative results

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \\ \nu_s \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \\ \nu_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & U_{e4} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & U_{\mu 4} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & U_{\tau 4} \\ U_{s1} & U_{s2} & U_{s3} & U_{s4} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$U = R_{34}(\theta_{34}, 0) R_{24}(\theta_{24}, 0) R_{23}(\theta_{23}, \delta_3) R_{14}(\theta_{14}, 0) R_{13}(\theta_{13}, \delta_2) R_{12}(\theta_{12}, \delta_1)$$

$\theta_{34}$  : ratio of  $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$  and  $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_s$  in  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$

$\theta_{24}$  : ratio of  $\sin^2(\frac{\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 L}{4E})$  and  $\sin^2(\frac{\Delta m_{\text{SBL}}^2 L}{4E})$  in  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$

$\theta_{14}$  : mixing angle in  $\nu_{\text{reactor}}$  at  $L=O(10\text{m})$

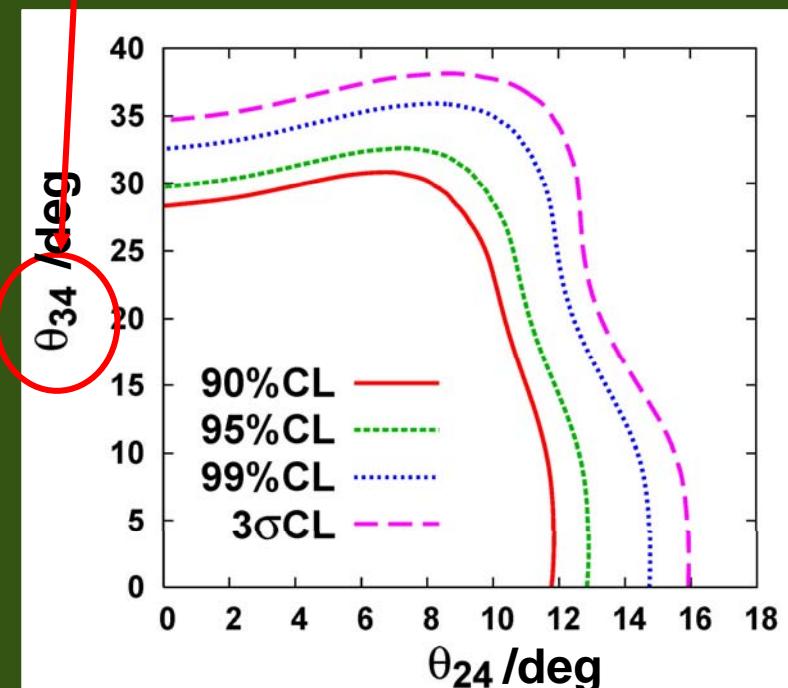
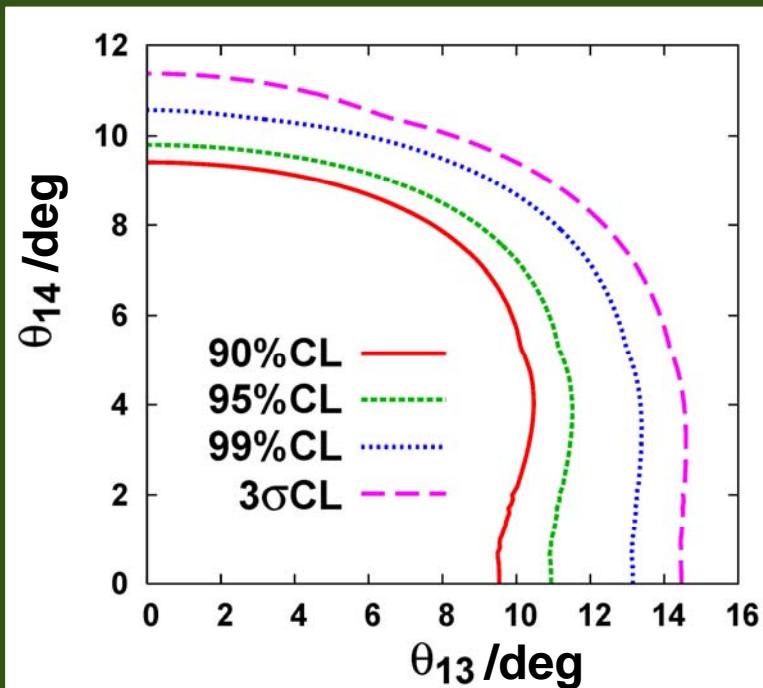
# Constraints from $\nu_{\text{atm}}$ and SBL

Donini-Maltoni-Meloni-Migliozzi-Terranova, JHEP 0712:013, '07

$$U = R_{34}(\theta_{34}) \ R_{24}(\theta_{24}) \ R_{23}(\theta_{23}, \delta_3) \ R_{14}(\theta_{14}) \ R_{13}(\theta_{13}, \delta_2) \ R_{12}(\theta_{12}, \delta_1)$$

Assumption on rapid oscillations in  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$ :  
 $\Delta m^2_{41} > 0.1 \text{ eV}^2$

$\theta_{34}$  : could be relatively large



## 2. High energy behavior of $\nu_{\text{atm}}$ data, NSI & $\nu_s$

### ● Standard case with $N_\nu=2$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2 2\theta_{\text{atm}} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 L}{4E} \right) \propto \frac{1}{E^2}$$

### ● Standard case with $N_\nu=3$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \sim \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{2AE} \right)^2 \left[ \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \left( \frac{c_{13}^2 AL}{2} \right)^2 + s_{23}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left( \frac{AL}{2} \right) \right] \propto \frac{1}{E^2}$$

### ● Deviation of $1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$ due to NP contradicts with data

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \simeq \mathbf{C_0} + \frac{\mathbf{C_1}}{E} + \frac{c_{20}L^2 + c_{21} \sin^2(c_{22}L)}{E^2}$$

→ High  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$  data gives constraints on NP:

$$|C_0| \ll 1, |C_1| \ll 1$$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \simeq \mathbf{C_0} + \frac{\mathbf{C_1}}{E} + \frac{c_{20}L^2 + c_{21}\sin^2(c_{22}L)}{E^2}$$

$$|\mathbf{C}_0| \ll 1 \rightarrow |\varepsilon_{e\mu}| \ll 1, |\varepsilon_{\mu\mu}| \ll 1, |\varepsilon_{\mu\tau}| \ll 1$$

$|\varepsilon_{\mu\tau}| \ll 1$ : Already shown for  $N_\nu=2$  by Fornengo et al., PRD65, 013010, '02; Gonzalez-Garcia&Maltoni, PRD70, 033010, '04; Mitsuka@nufact08,NOW2010

→ From our argument this is valid also for  $N_\nu=3$   
Oki & OY, PRD82, 073009, '10

$|\varepsilon_{\mu\mu}| \ll 1$ : Already shown by Davidson et al. JHEP 0303:011, '03 from data of other experiments

$|\varepsilon_{e\mu}| \ll 1$ : New observation (analytical consideration only)  
Oki & OY, PRD82, 073009, '10

$$|\mathbf{C}_1| \ll 1 \rightarrow |\varepsilon_{\tau\tau} - |\varepsilon_{e\tau}|^2 / (1 + \varepsilon_{ee})| \ll 1$$

Already shown by  
Friedland-Lunardini,  
PRD72:053009,'05

## ● Summary of the constraints on $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$

To a good approximation, we are left with 3 independent variables  $\epsilon_{ee}$ ,  $|\epsilon_{e\tau}|$ ,  $\arg(\epsilon_{e\tau})$ :

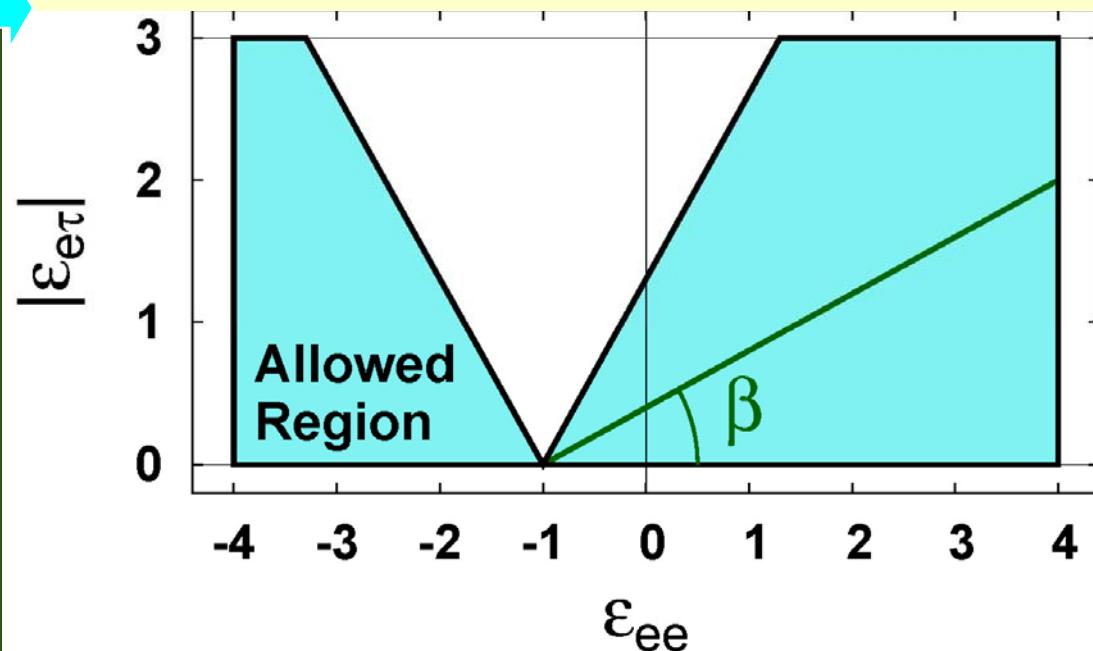
$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee} & \epsilon_{e\mu} & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ \epsilon_{\mu e} & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ \epsilon_{\tau e} & \epsilon_{\tau\mu} & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee} & 0 & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \epsilon_{e\tau}^* & 0 & |\epsilon_{e\tau}|^2/(1 + \epsilon_{ee}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Furthermore,  $v_{atm}$  data implies

$$\tan\beta = |\epsilon_{e\tau}|/(1 + \epsilon_{ee}) < 1.3$$

Friedland-Lunardini,  
PRD72:053009, '05

Allowed region in  $(\epsilon_{ee}, |\epsilon_{e\tau}|)$

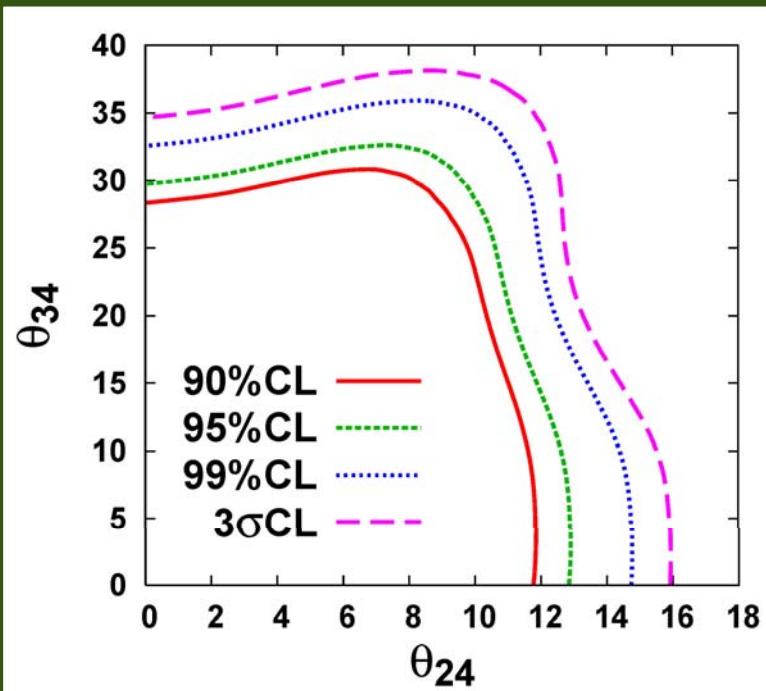


•with  $\nu_s$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \simeq \mathbf{C_0} + \frac{\mathbf{C_1}}{E} + \frac{c_{20}L^2 + c_{21}\sin^2(c_{22}L)}{E^2}$$

$$|\mathbf{C}_0| \propto s_{24}^2 \ll 1 \rightarrow s_{24}^2 \ll 1$$

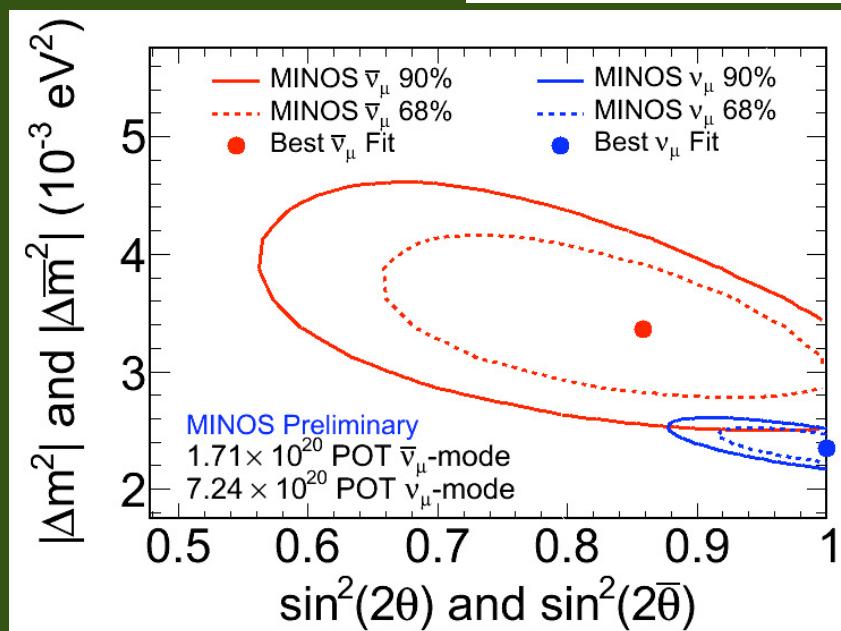
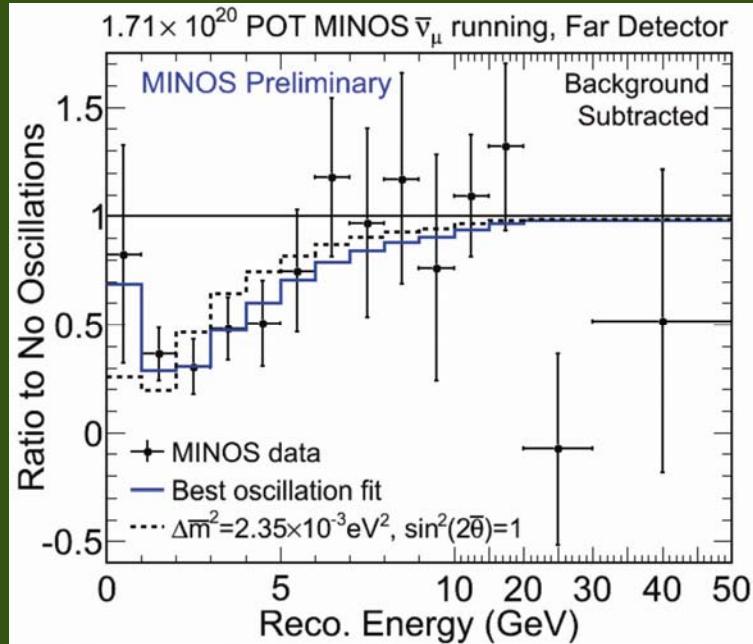
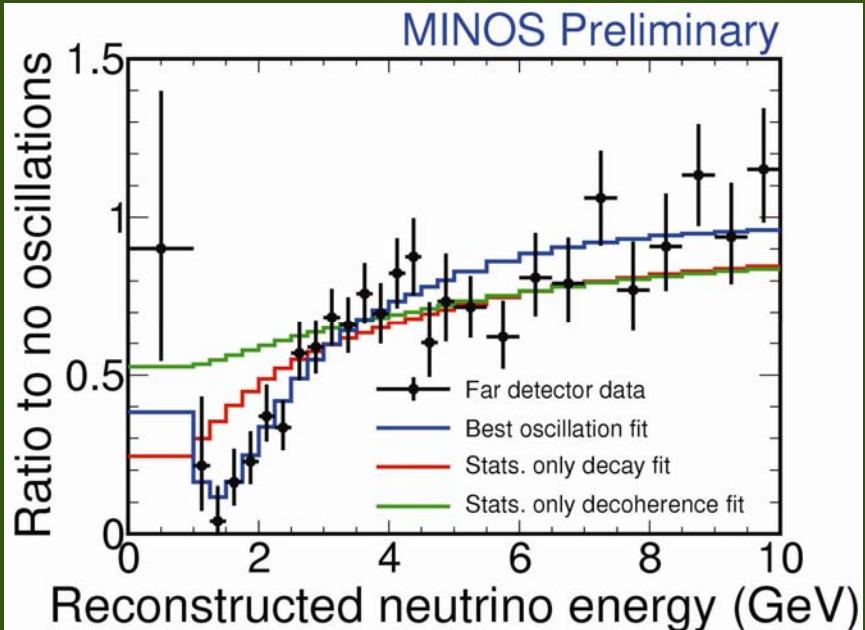
$$|\mathbf{C}_1| \propto s_{34}^2 \ll 1 \rightarrow s_{34}^2 \ll 1$$



Donini-Maltoni-Meloni-Migliozi-Terranova, JHEP 0712:013,'07

### 3. MINOS anomaly

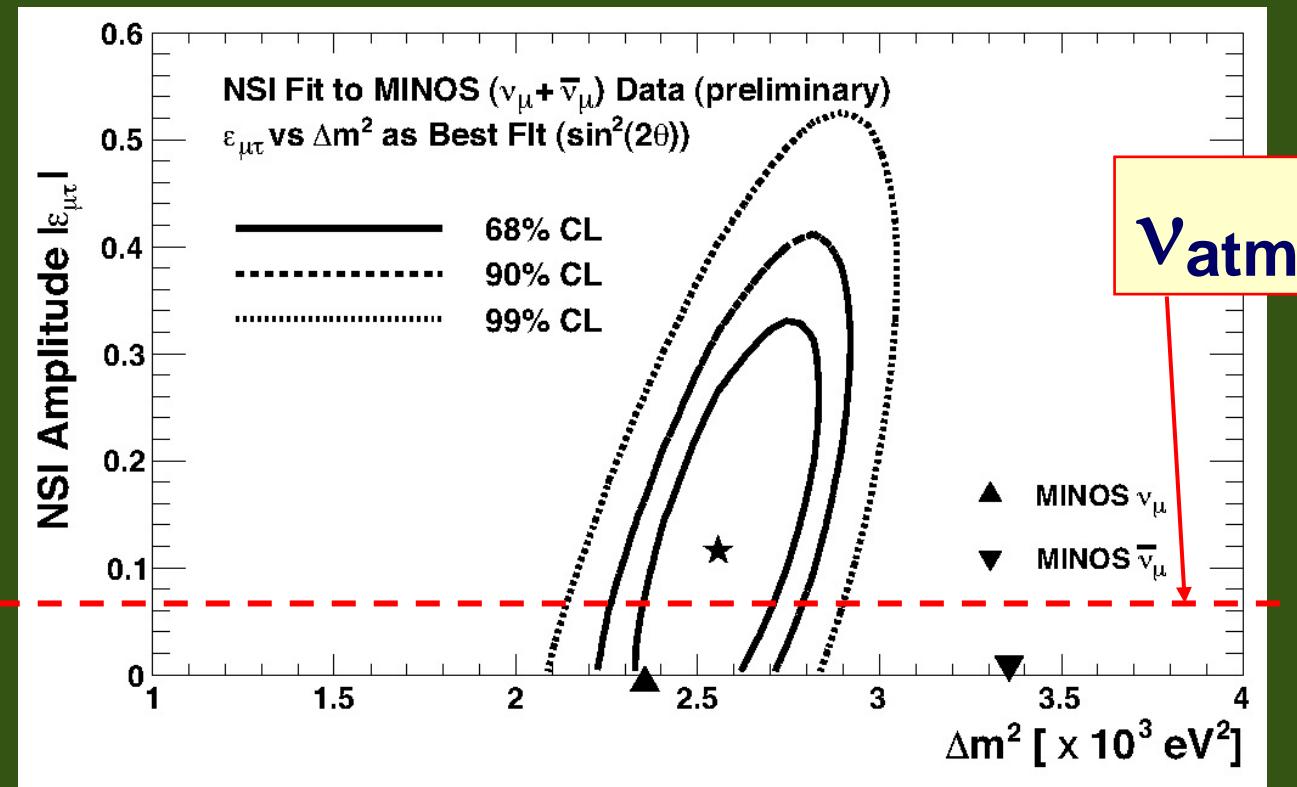
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# An effort to explain with $\epsilon_{\mu\tau}$

Mann-Cherdack-Musial-Kafka,  
arXiv:1006.5720 [hep-ph]

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ 0 & \epsilon_{\tau\mu} & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$



Contradicts with  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$  constraint

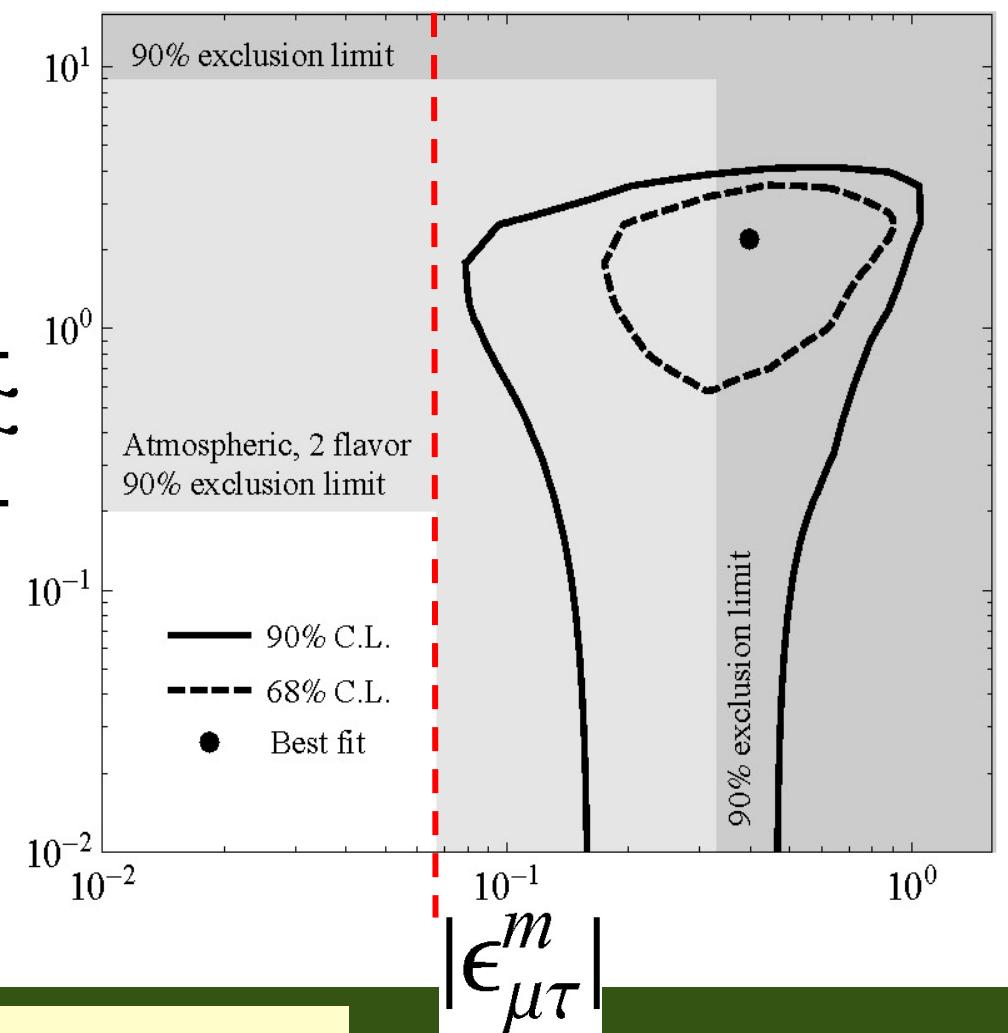
# An effort to explain with $\epsilon_{\mu\tau}$

Kopp-Machado-Parke, arXiv:1009.0014 [hep-ph]

$\nu_{\text{atm}}$  constraint

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ 0 & \epsilon_{\tau\mu} & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\epsilon_{\tau\tau}^m|$$



Contradicts with  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$  constraint

# An effort to explain with gauging $L_\alpha$ - $L_\beta$

Heeck-Rodejohann, arXiv:1007.2655 [hep-ph]

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} V & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -V & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} V & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -V \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -V \end{pmatrix}$$

$L_e$ - $L_\mu$

$L_e$ - $L_\tau$

$L_\mu$ - $L_\tau$

$\nu_{\text{sol}}$  constraint

$$\left. \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{E} \right|_{\text{MINOS}} \sim A \sim V_{\text{MINOS}} = \frac{const}{d_{\text{Sun-Earth}}}$$

To keep the success of  $\nu_{\text{sol}}$ , we have to avoid  $L_e$ - $L_\mu$ ,  $L_e$ - $L_\tau$

$$100 \times V_{\text{MINOS}} \sim 100 \times \left. \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{E} \right|_{\text{MINOS}}$$

$$\sim \left. \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{E} \right|_{\text{solar}} \ll V|_{\text{solar}} = \frac{const}{R_{\text{Sun}}}$$

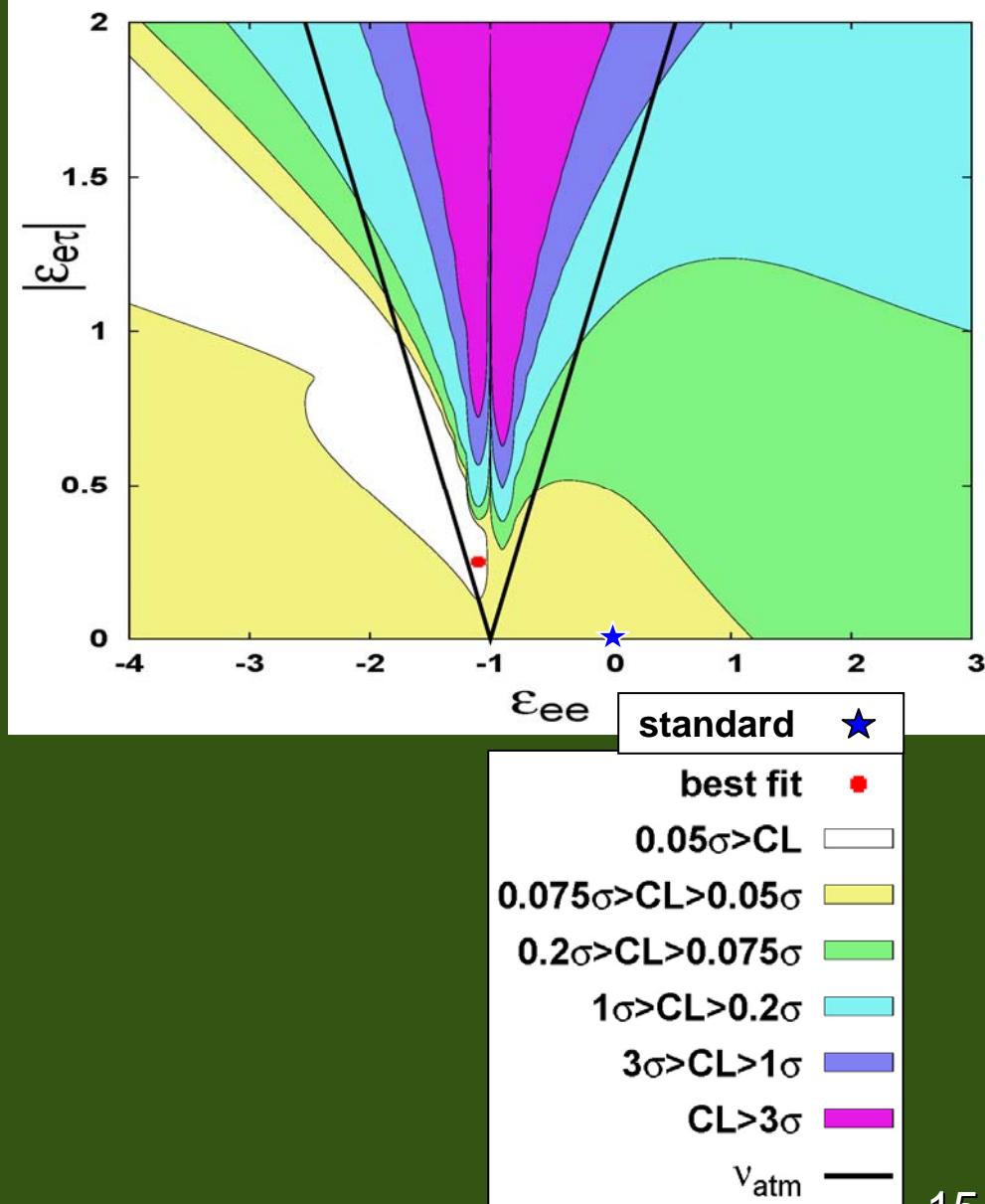
$\nu_{\text{atm}}$  constraint

$L_\mu$ - $L_\tau$  contradicts with  $| \varepsilon_{\mu\mu} - \varepsilon_{\tau\tau} | \ll 1$

# An effort to explain with $\varepsilon_{e\tau}$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee} & 0 & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \epsilon_{e\tau}^* & 0 & |\epsilon_{e\tau}|^2 / (1 + \epsilon_{ee}) \end{pmatrix}$$

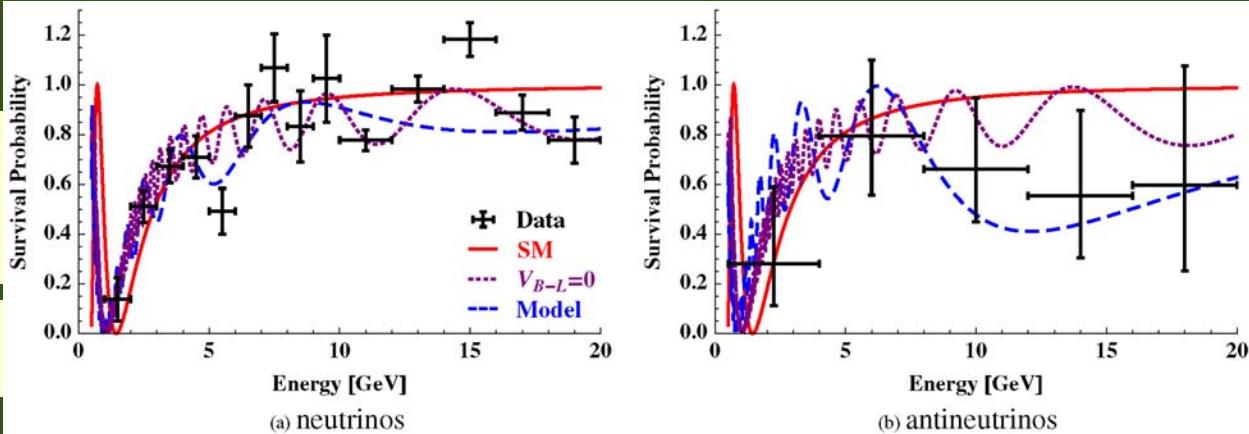
- Best fit point lies in the excluded region of  $\nu_{\text{atm}}$
- $\chi^2(\text{SM}) - \chi^2(\text{min}) = 0.1$  (2dof): **0.07 $\sigma$**  (not significant at all)  
→ Probably not worth introducing  $\varepsilon_{e\tau}$



# An effort to explain with $\nu_s$ or $\nu_s+gauged\ B-L$

Engelhardt-Nelson-Walsh, Phys.Rev.D81:113001,2010

- old data is used
- $\theta_{24}=0 \rightarrow$  no conflict with CDHSW
- $\theta_{34} \neq 0 \rightarrow 0 \leq \theta_{34} < 30^\circ$
- $\theta_{23}=\pi/4$



$$\begin{pmatrix} \pm(V_{CC} - V_{NC} - V_{B-L}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pm(V_{NC} - V_{B-L}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \pm(V_{NC} - V_{B-L}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \pm V_{B-L} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Best fit

- with B-L  $\Delta m^2_{32} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{42} = 2.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $V_{NC}/2 + V_{B-L} = 5 \times 10^{-14} \text{ eV}$ ,  $\chi^2 = 24.8$  (20 dof)
- w/o B-L  $\Delta m^2_{32} = 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $\Delta m^2_{42} = 9.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $\chi^2 = 28.1$  (21 dof)

# An effort to explain with $\nu_s$

Unpublished work by OY (2010)

- new data is used
- $\Delta m^2_{42}$  is fixed as  $1\text{eV}^2$
- potential enhancement for  $\bar{\nu}$  / suppression for  $\nu$  occurs if  $\theta_{34} < \pi/4 \& \text{NH}$  or  $\theta_{34} > \pi/4 \& \text{IH}$
- $\theta_{24}=0 \rightarrow$  no conflict with CDHSW

$$\tan 2\tilde{\theta}_{23} = \frac{\Delta E_{32} \sin 2\theta_{23}}{\Delta E_{32} \cos 2\theta_{23} \pm V s_{34}^2}$$

$$\sin^2 2\tilde{\theta}_{23} = \frac{(\Delta E_{32} \sin 2\theta_{23})^2}{(\Delta E_{32} \cos 2\theta_{23} \pm V s_{34}^2)^2 + (\Delta E_{32} \sin 2\theta_{23})^2}$$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2 2\tilde{\theta}_{23} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta \tilde{E}_{32} L}{2} \right) \quad \Delta \tilde{E}_{32} \equiv \sqrt{(\Delta E_{32} \cos 2\theta_{23} \pm V s_{34}^2)^2 + (\Delta E_{32} \sin 2\theta_{23})^2}$$

$\sin^2 2\tilde{\theta}_{23}$  is almost 1 anyway  $\rightarrow$  difficult to distinguish  $\nu$  &  $\bar{\nu}$

(Best fit point with  $\nu_s$ ) = (Best fit point for  $N_\nu=3$  case)

→ Probably not worth introducing

## 4. Conclusions

- People made efforts to account for MINOS anomaly, but they all seem either to give little contribution to distinguish  $\nu$  &  $\bar{\nu}$  or to have conflict with atmospheric neutrinos and/or solar neutrinos.
- After all, MINOS anomaly is only a  $2\sigma$  effect, so we should wait until we have more statistics.

# **Backup slides**

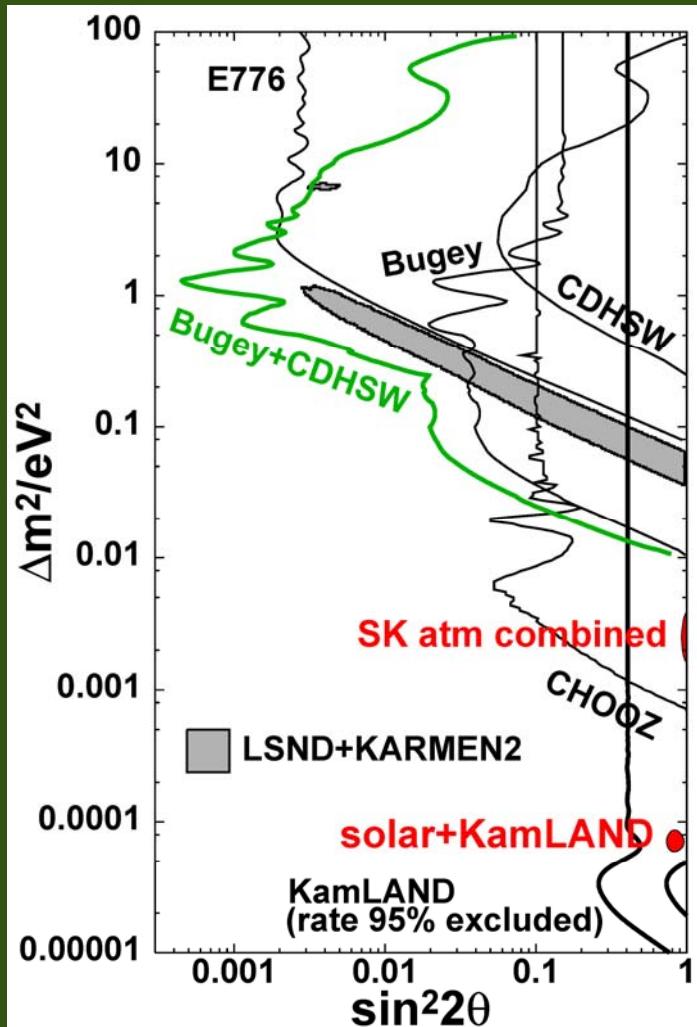
## (3+1)-scheme

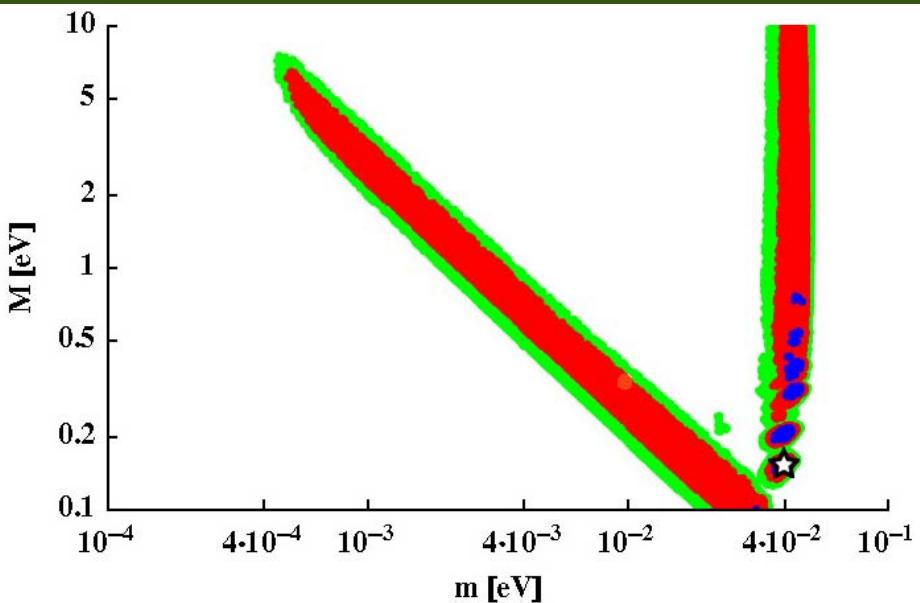
$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - 4|U_{e4}|^2(1 - |U_{e4}|^2) \sin^2(\Delta m_{41}^2 L / 4E)$$

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = 1 - 4|U_{\mu 4}|^2(1 - |U_{\mu 4}|^2) \sin^2(\Delta m_{41}^2 L / 4E)$$

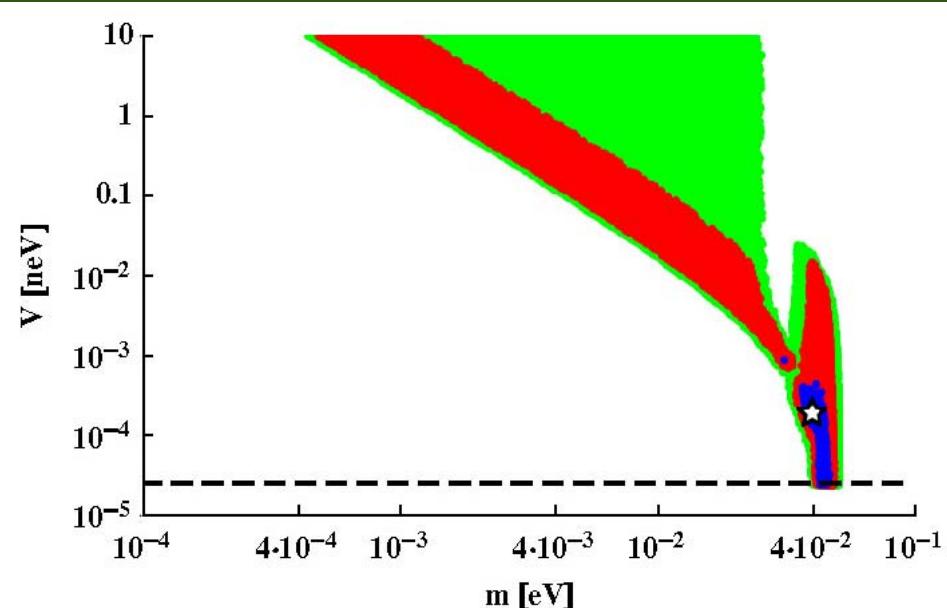
$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\text{Bugey}} > 4|U_{e4}|^2(1 - |U_{e4}|^2) = \sin^2 2\theta_{14}$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\text{CDHSW}} > 4|U_{\mu 4}|^2(1 - |U_{\mu 4}|^2) \approx \sin^2 2\theta_{24}$$

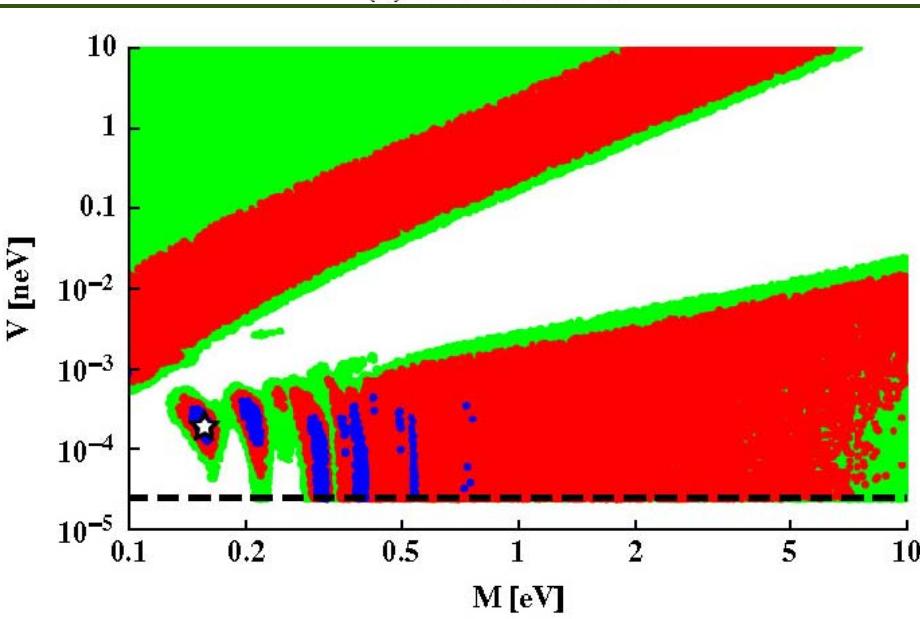




(a)  $M$  VS.  $m$



(b)  $V$  VS.  $m$



(c)  $V$  VS.  $M$

$$M = (\Delta m^2_{42})^{1/2}$$

$$m = (\Delta m^2_{32})^{1/2}$$

$$V = V_{NC}/2 + V_{B-L}$$

**Engelhardt-Nelson-Walsh,  
Phys.Rev.D81:113001,2010**