



eV Scale Sterile at LBL & SBL (Accelerator-based searches)

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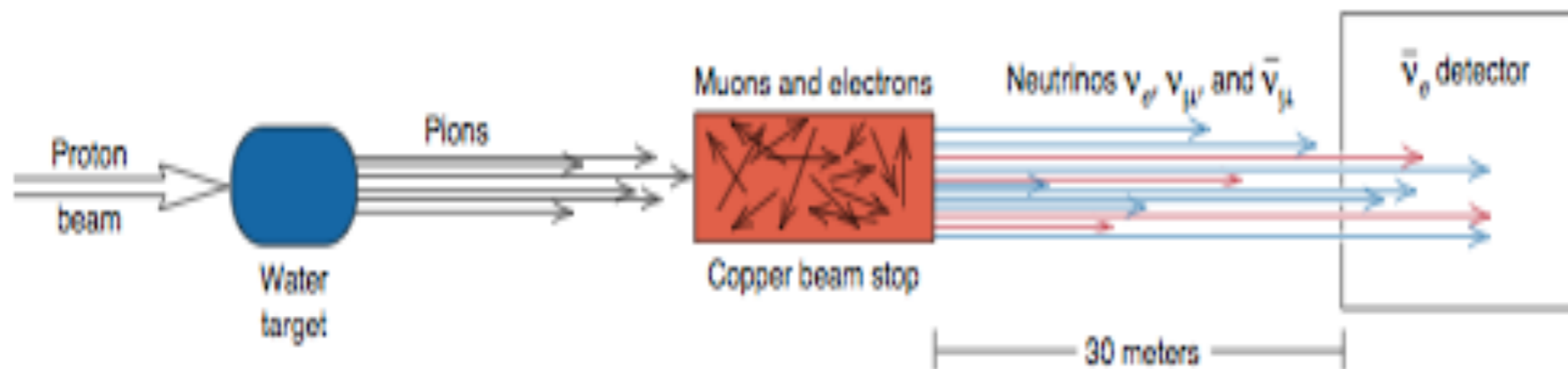
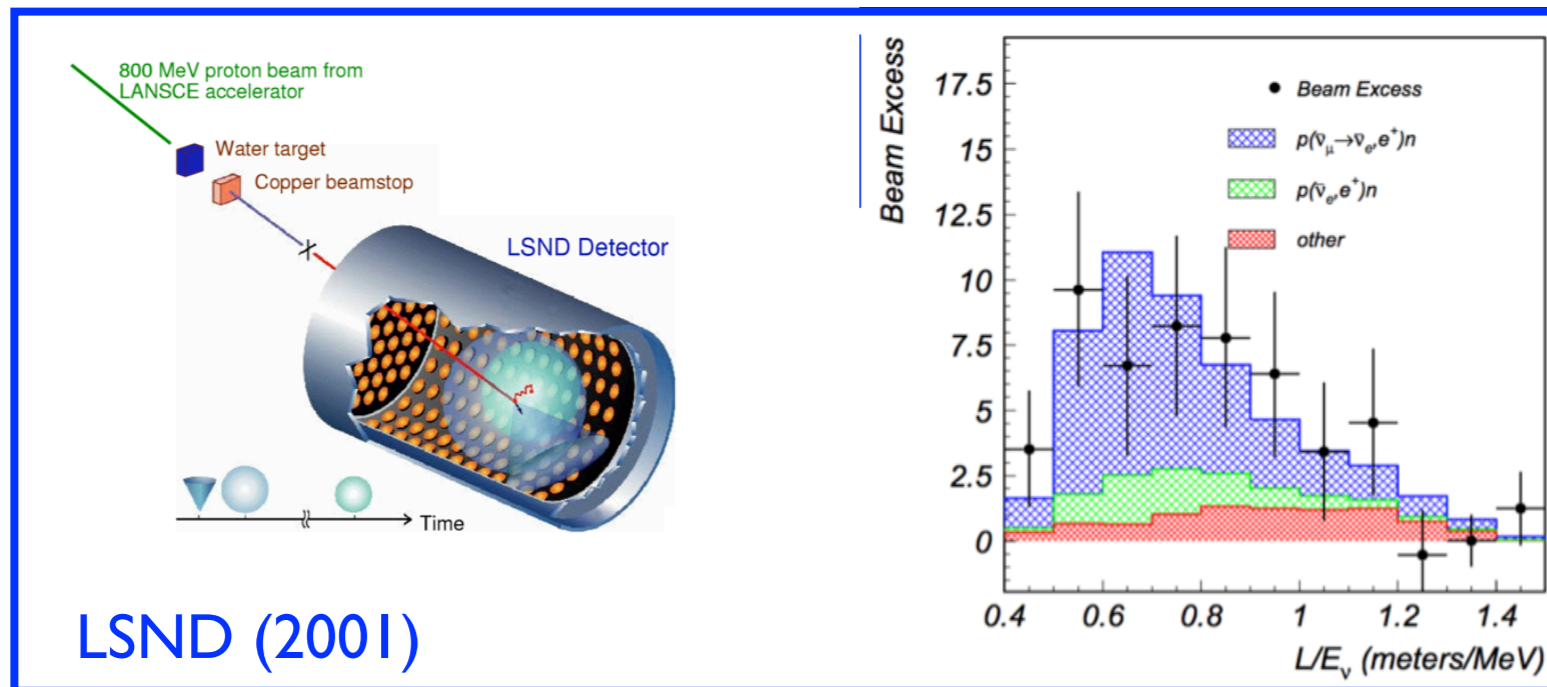
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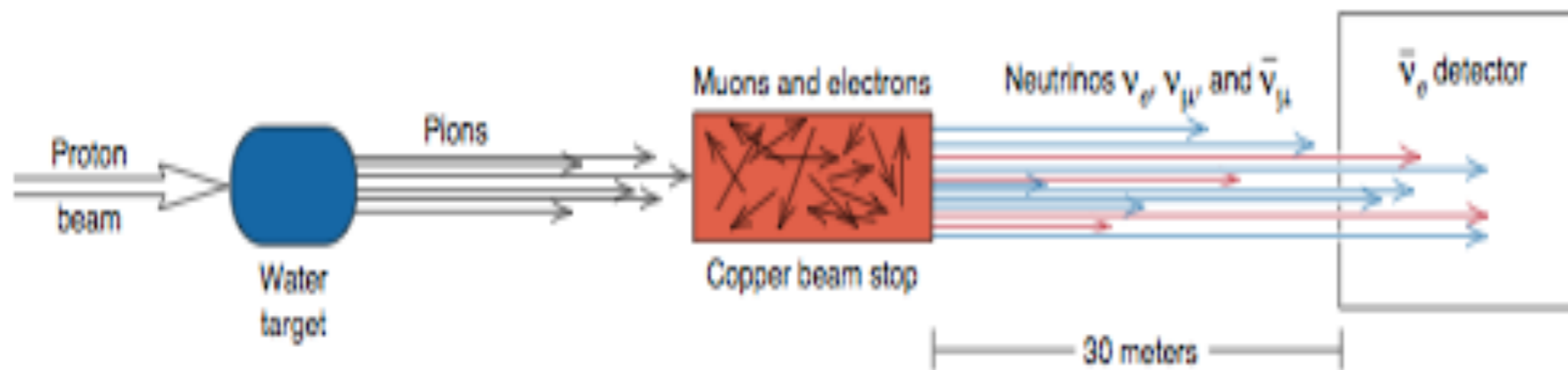
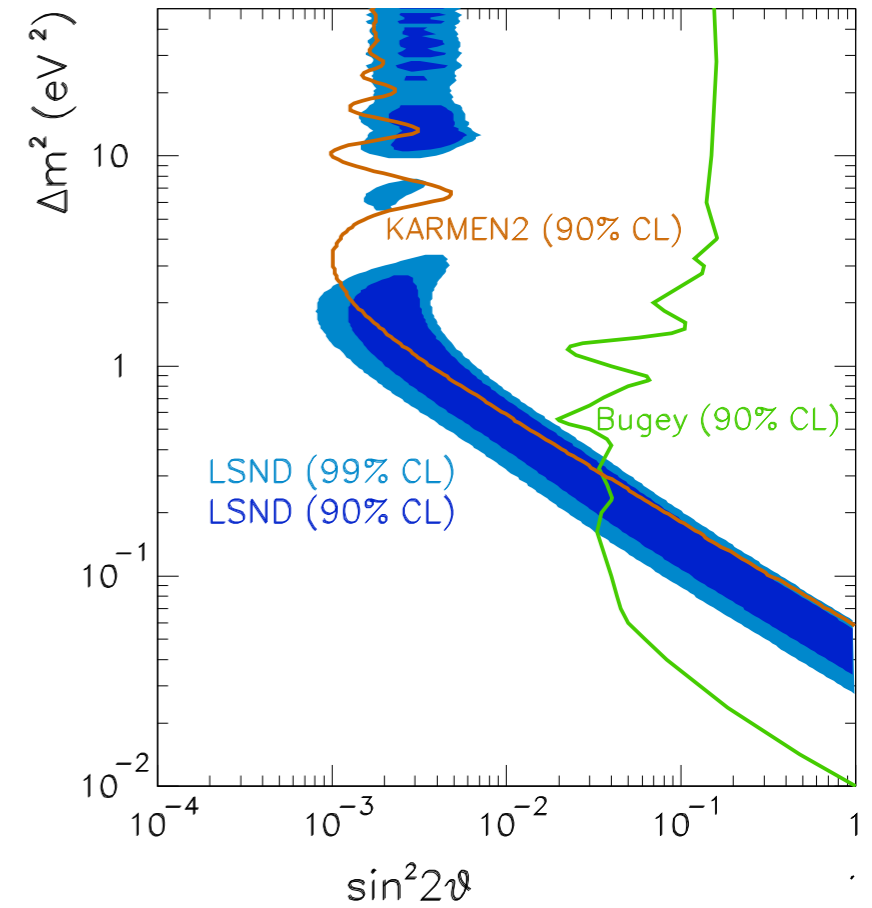
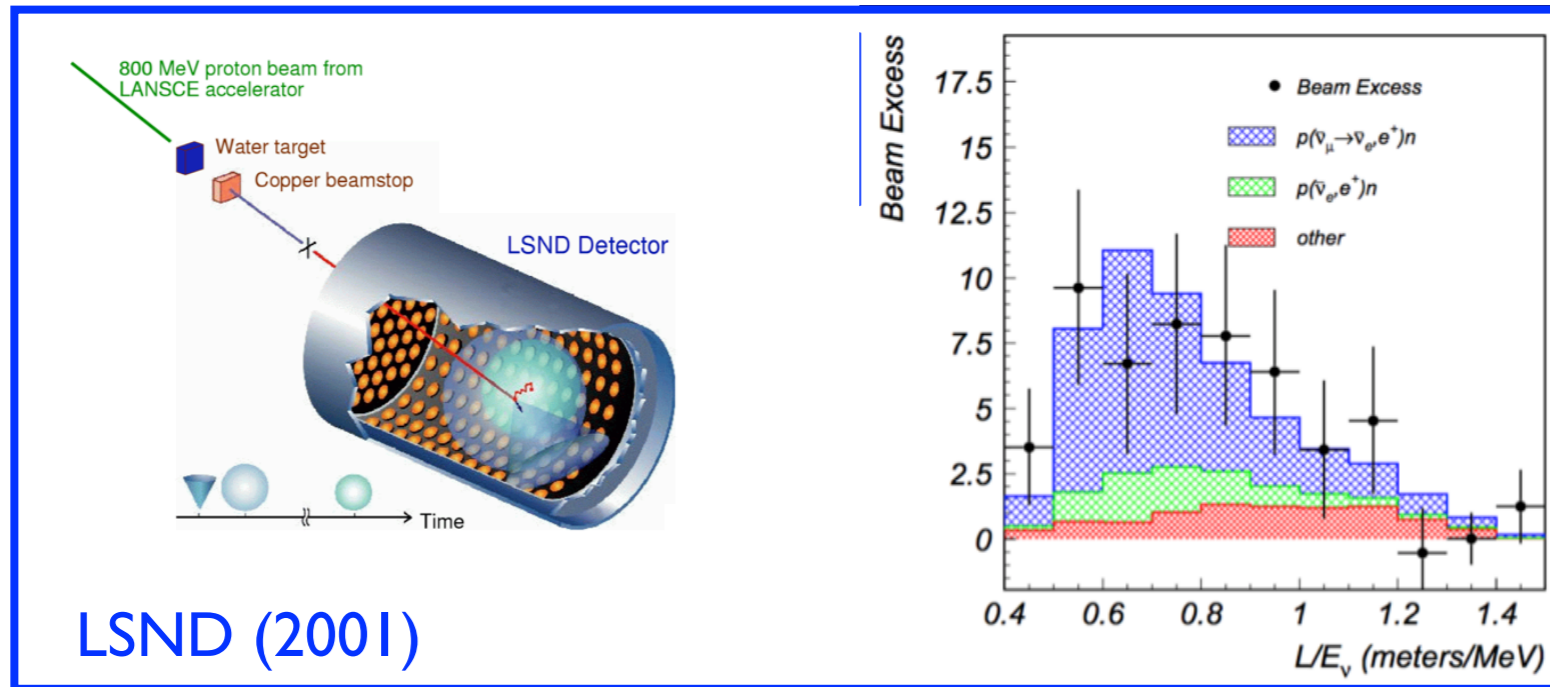
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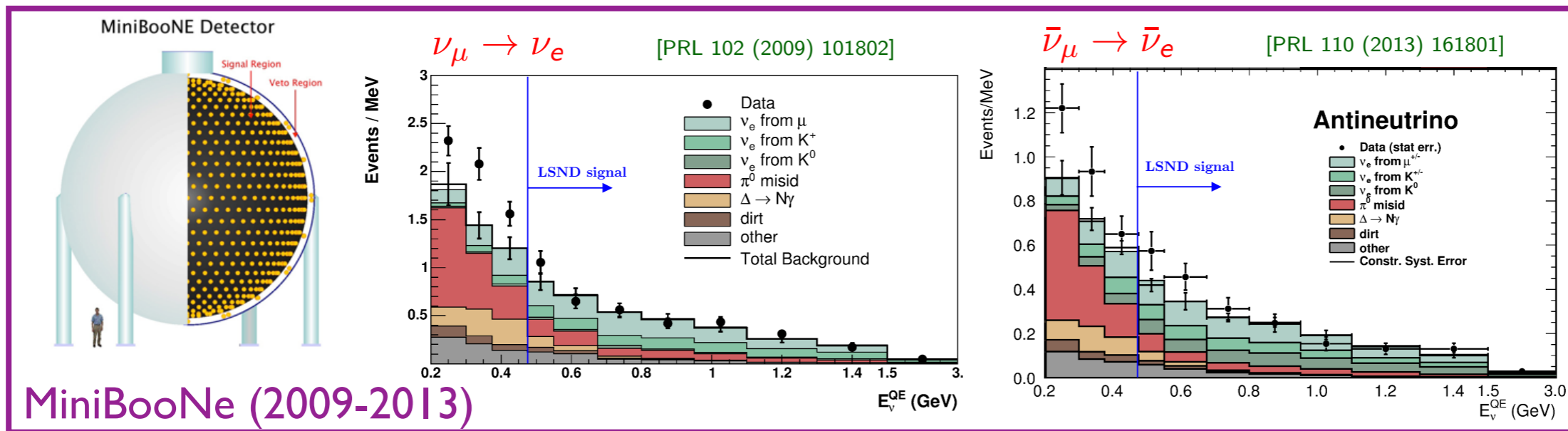
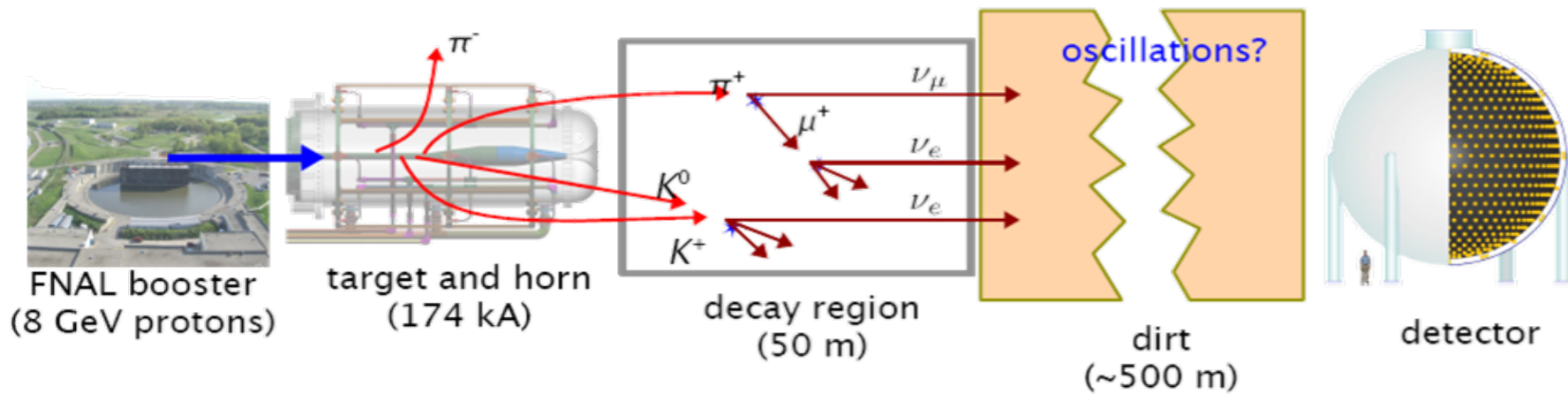
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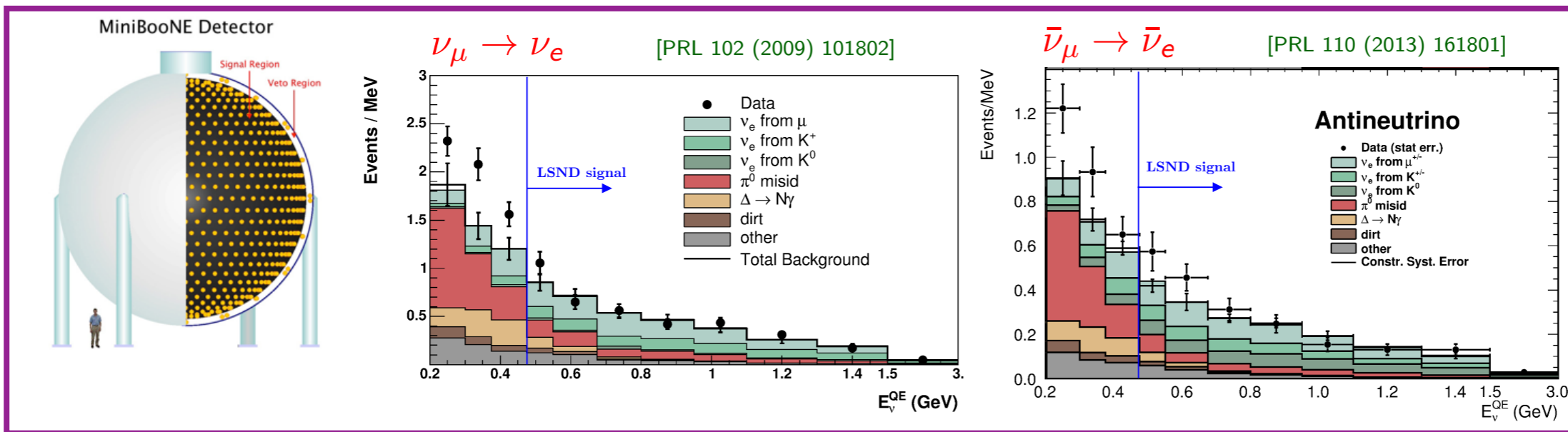
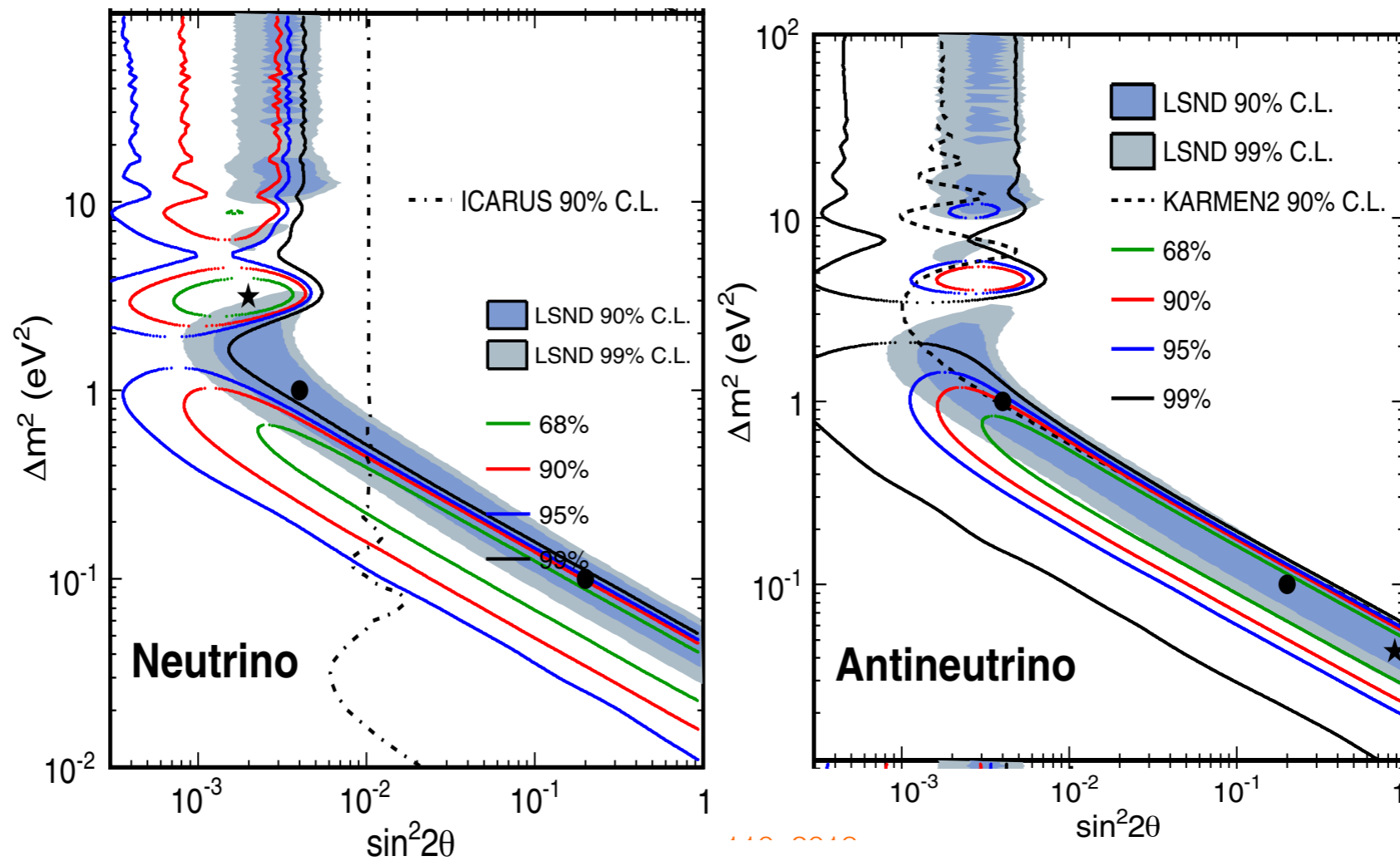
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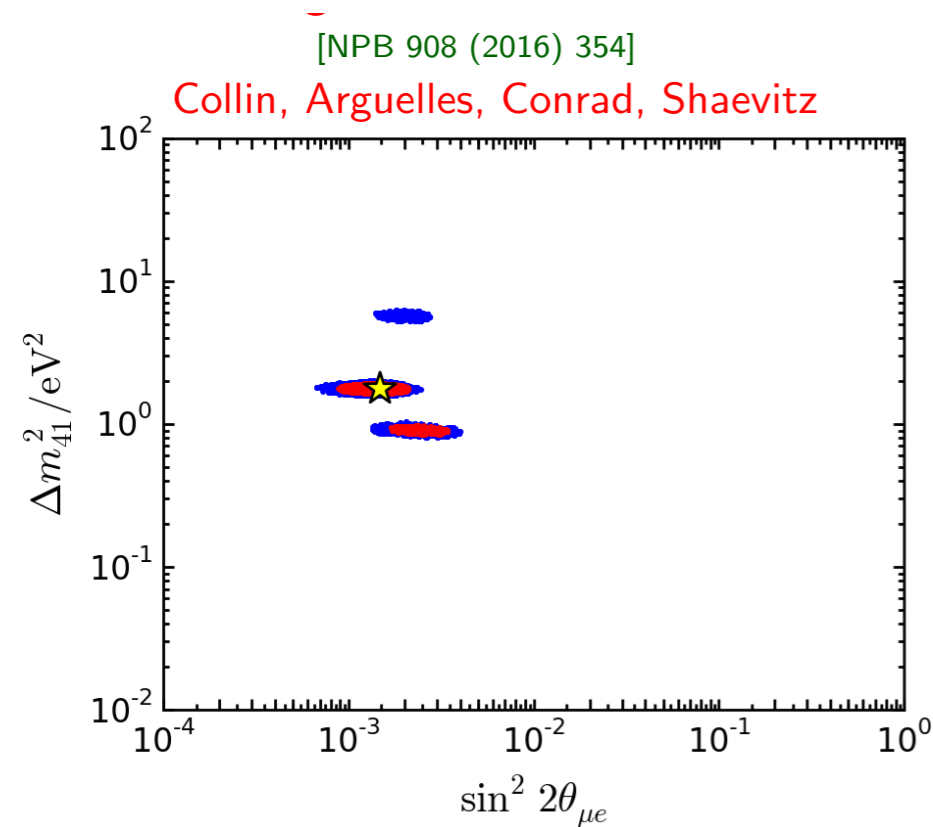
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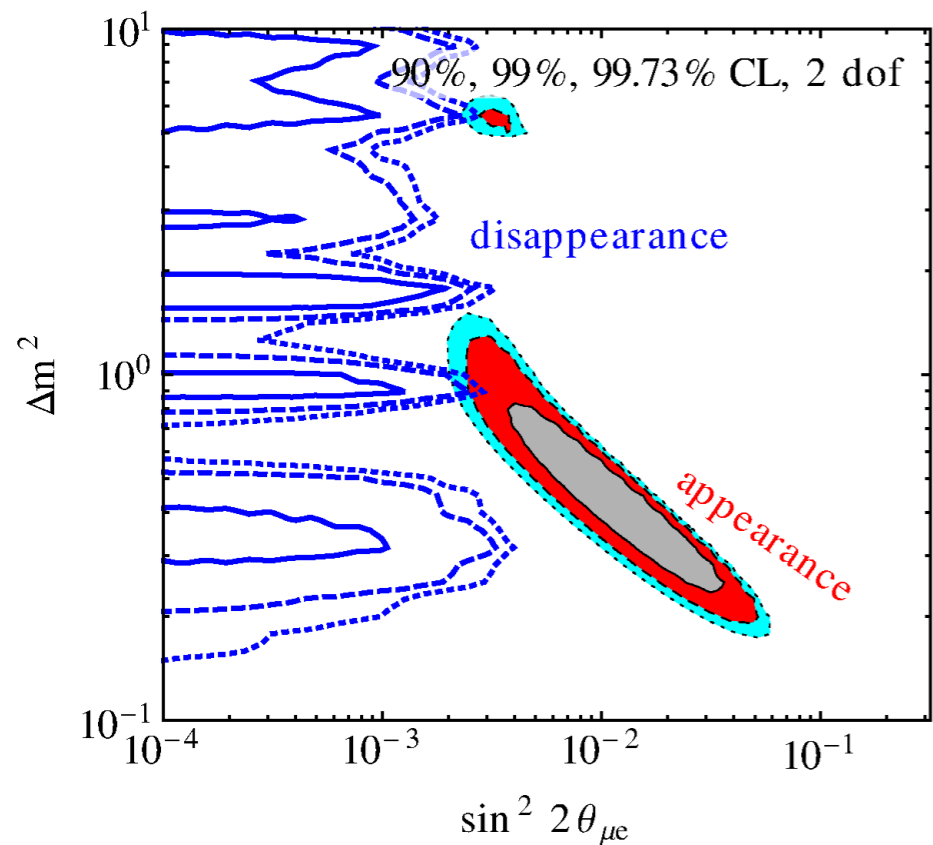
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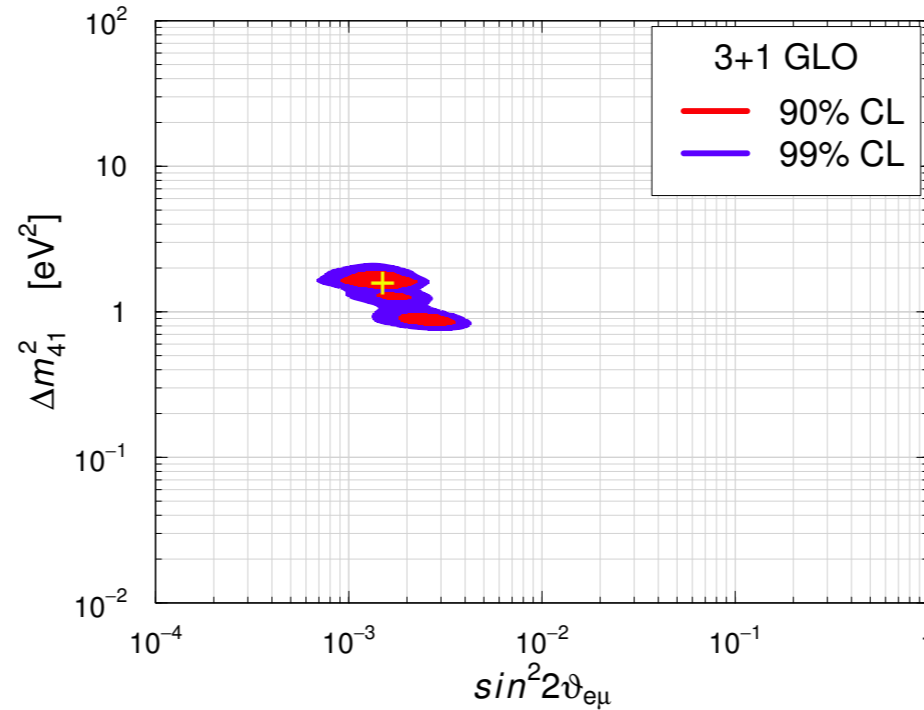
Global explanation?



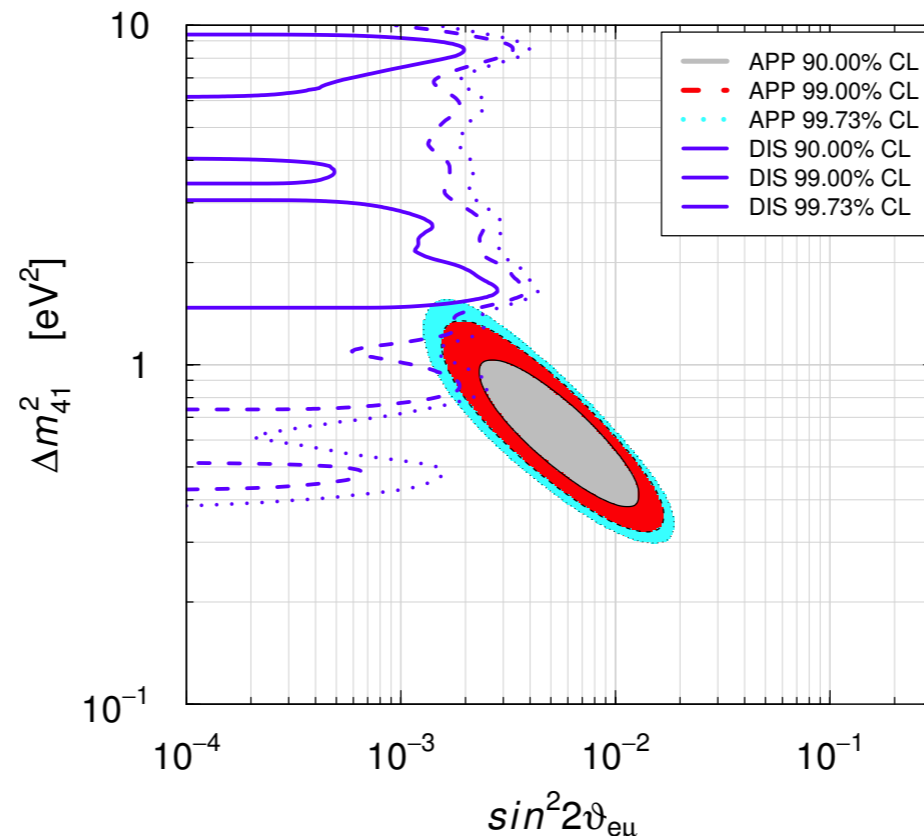
• Kopp, Machado, Maltoni, Schwetz
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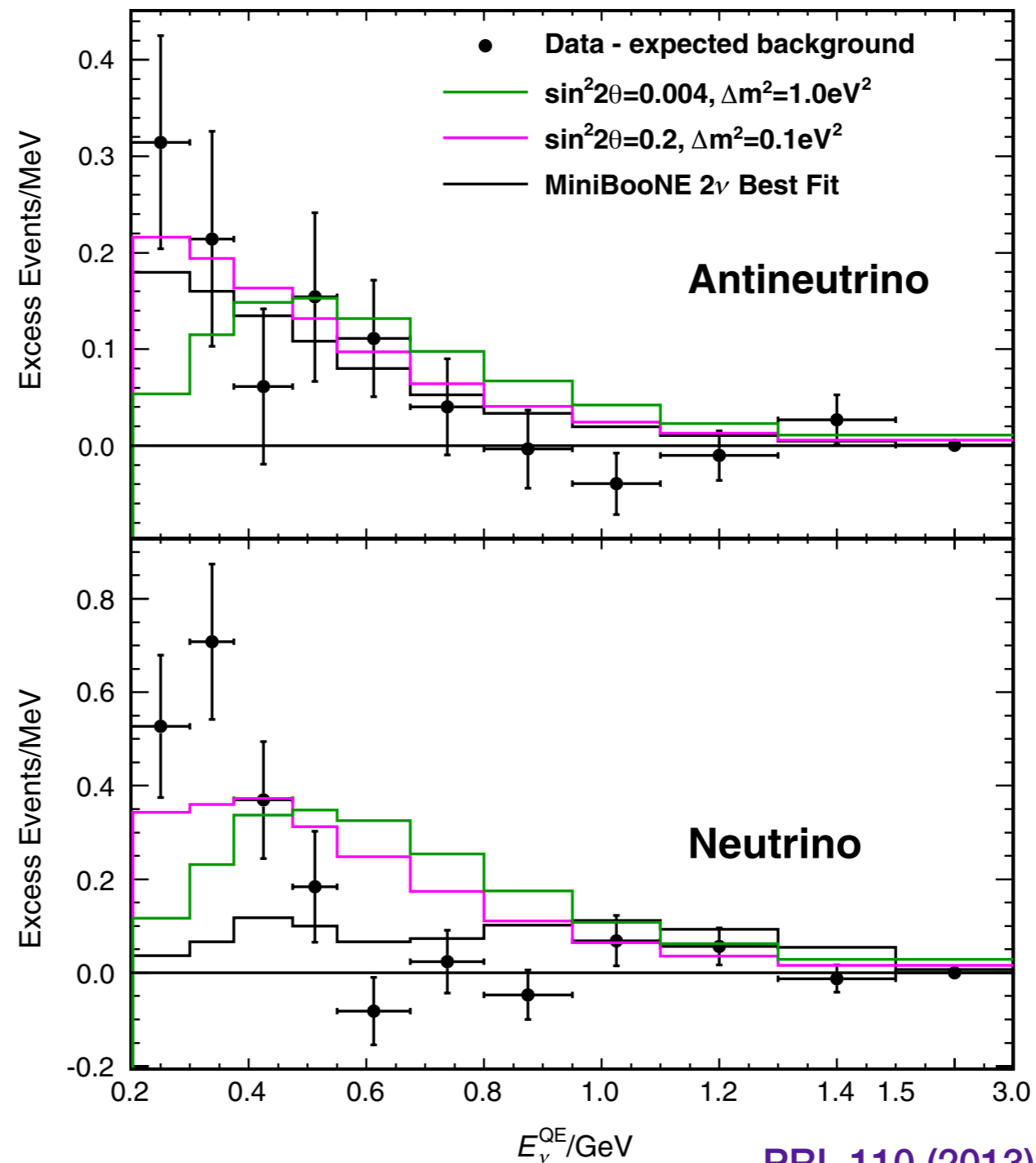


Region of allowed parameter space is getting small!

Severe tension between appearance and disappearance

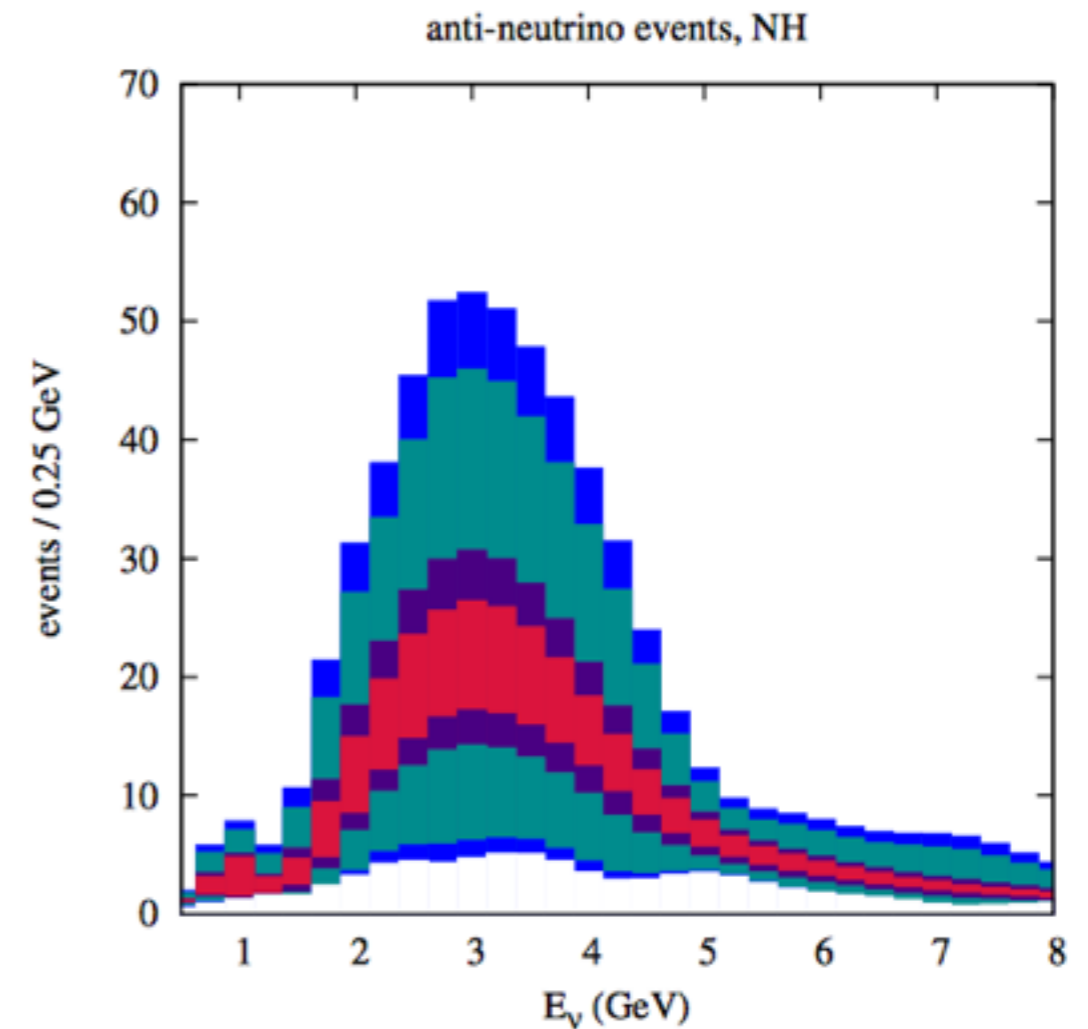
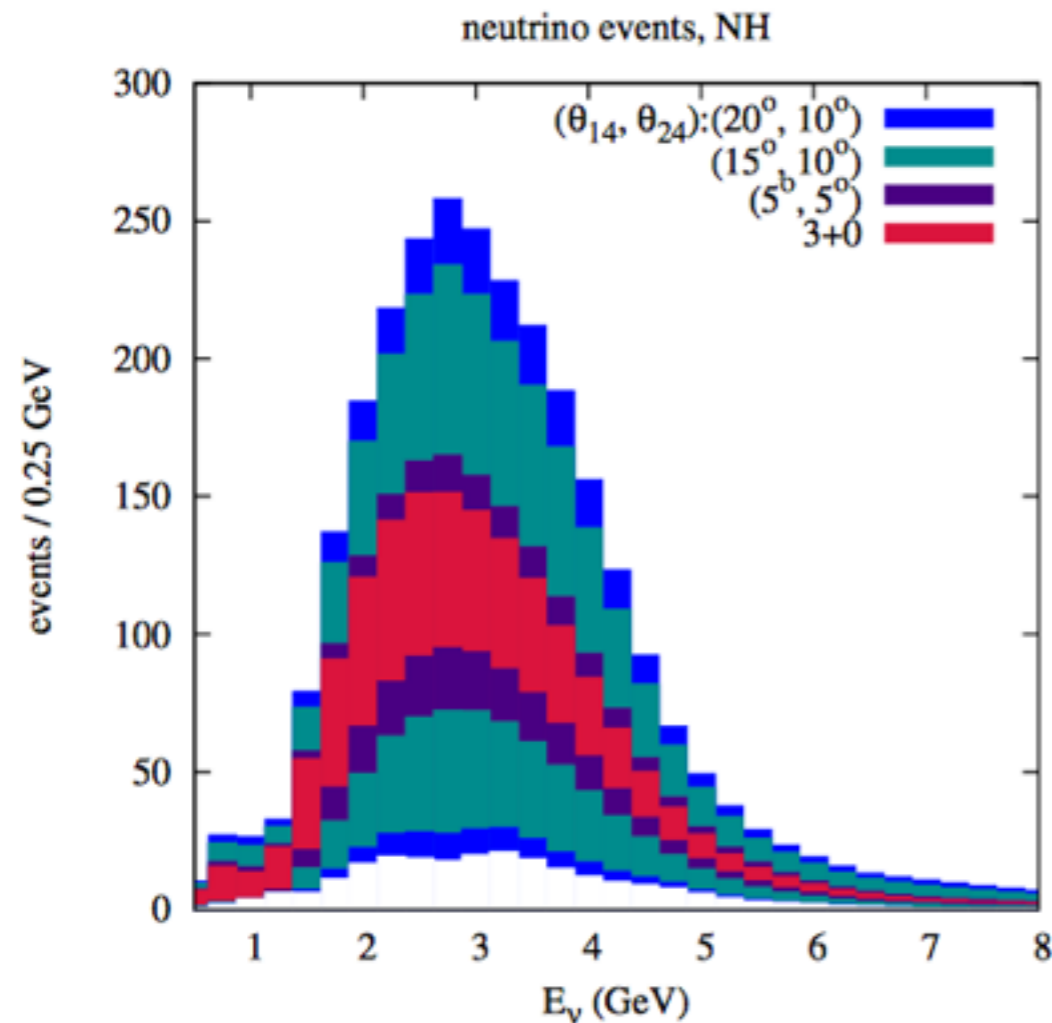
MiniBooNE low-energy excess tension

- MiniBooNE low-energy excess (neutrino mode) is hard to explain with additional neutrino(s)



Impact on future LBL

- CP-violation and MH measurements will be impacted by the presence of sterile neutrinos



R. Gandhi, B. Kayser, M. Masud, S. Pakrash, arXiv:1508.06275

Supposed to be the previous talk

Recent results

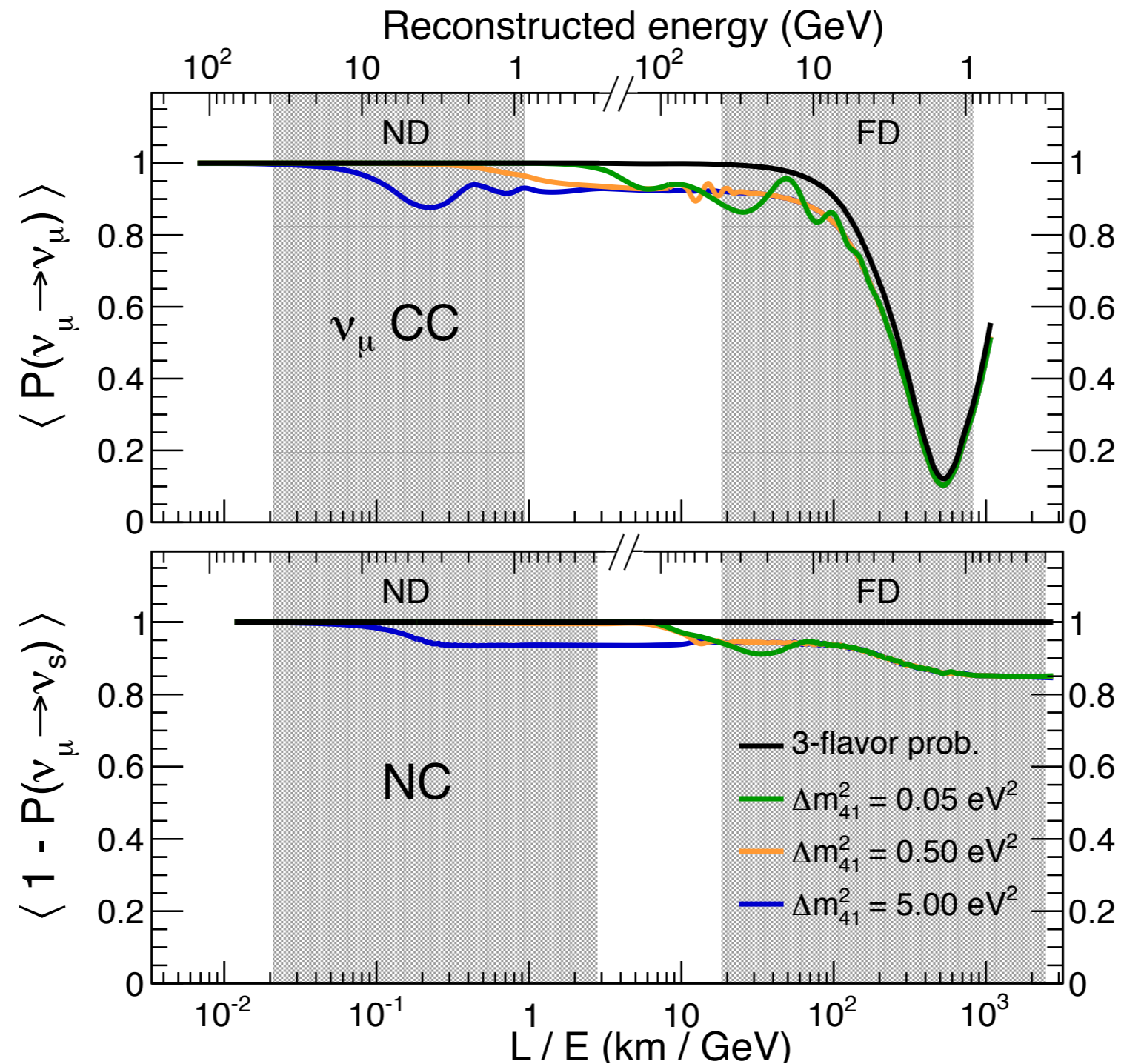
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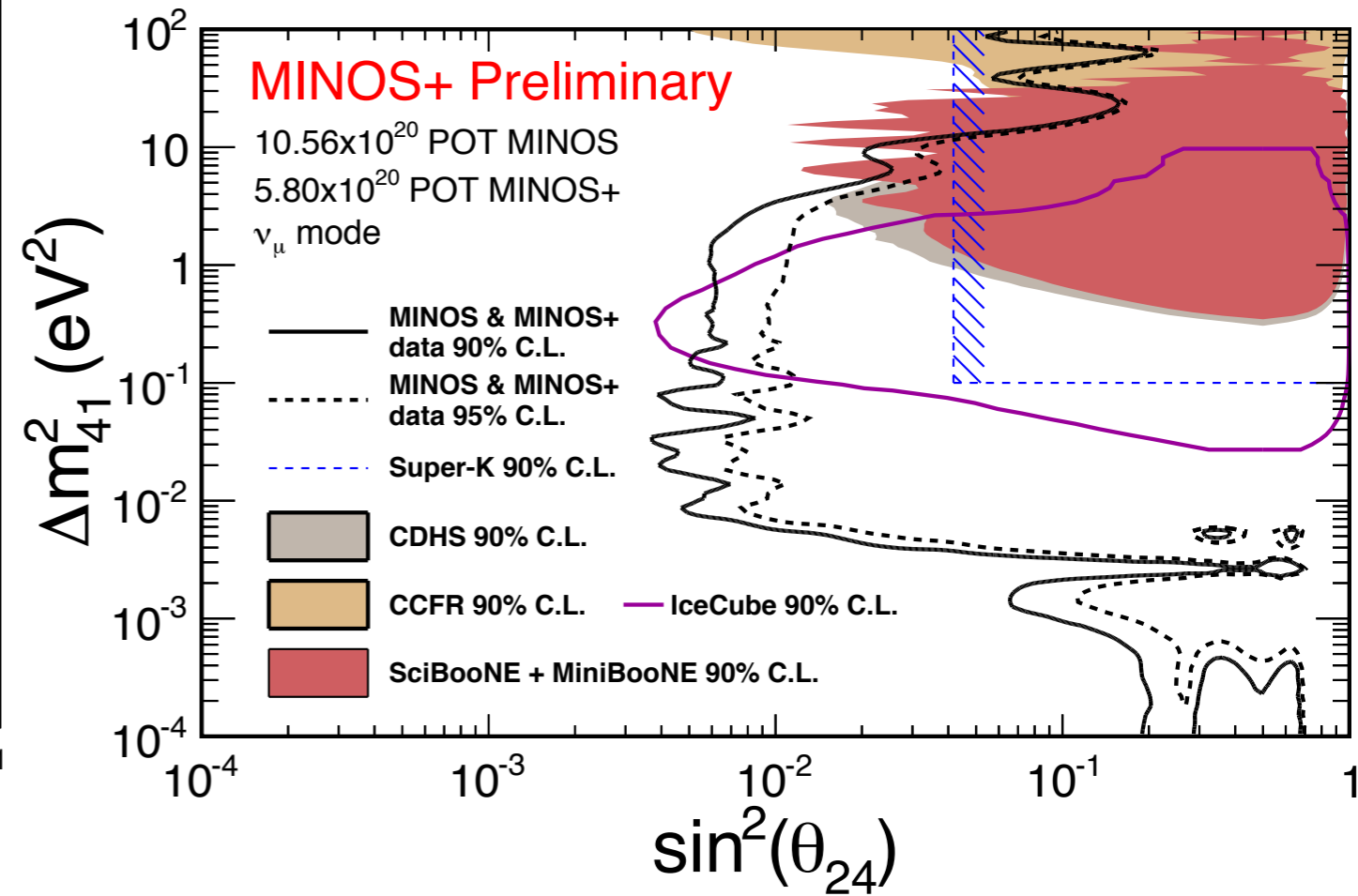
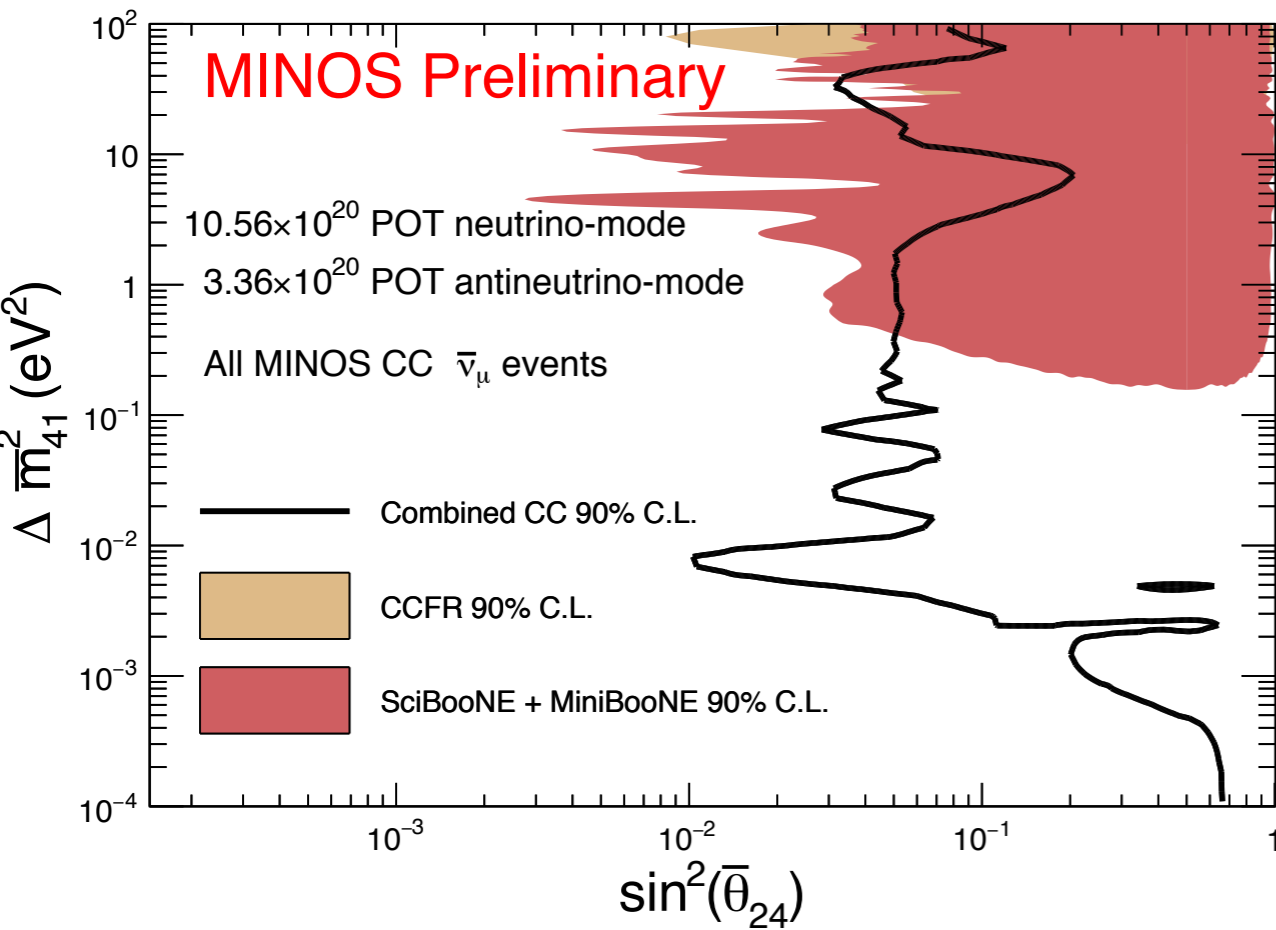
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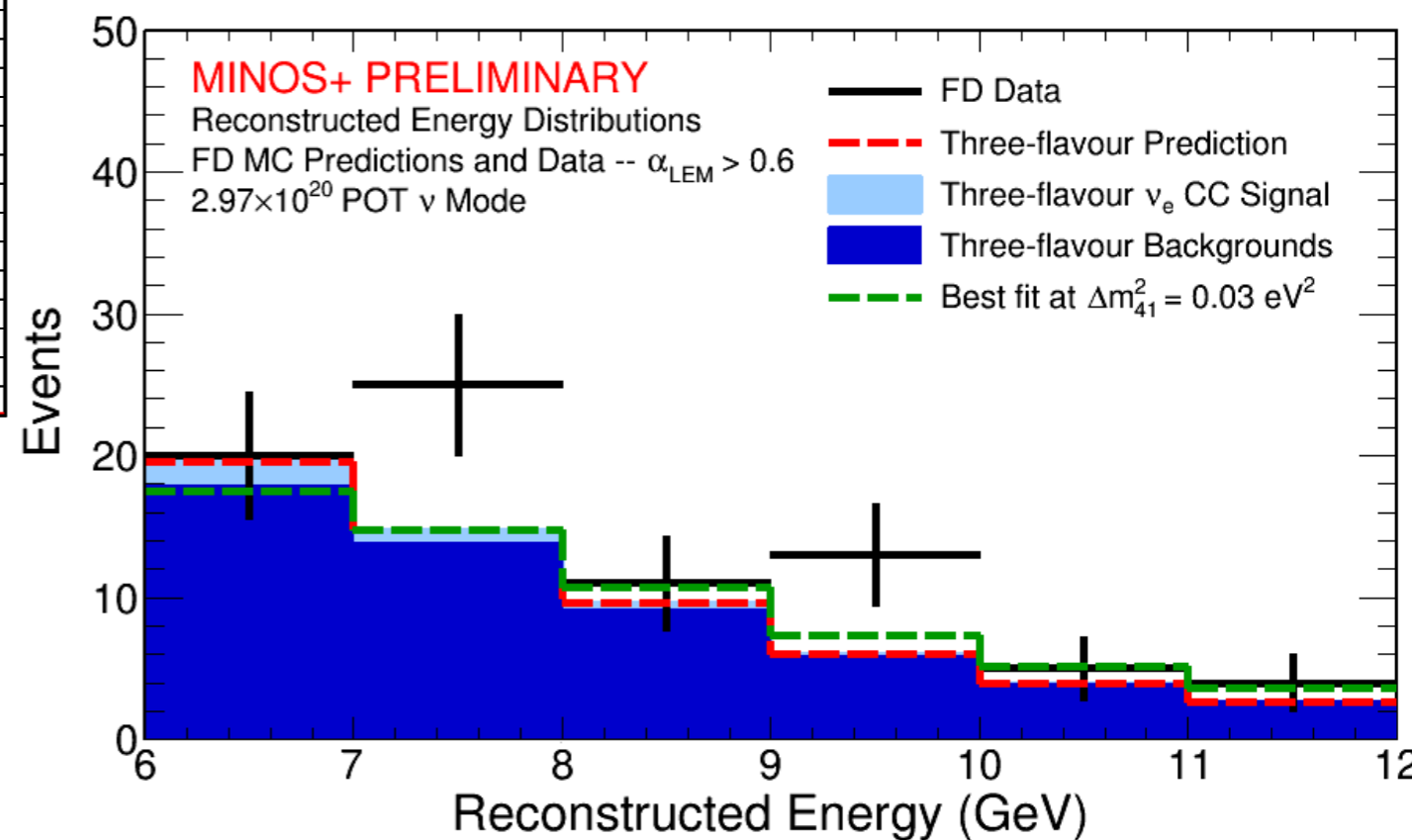
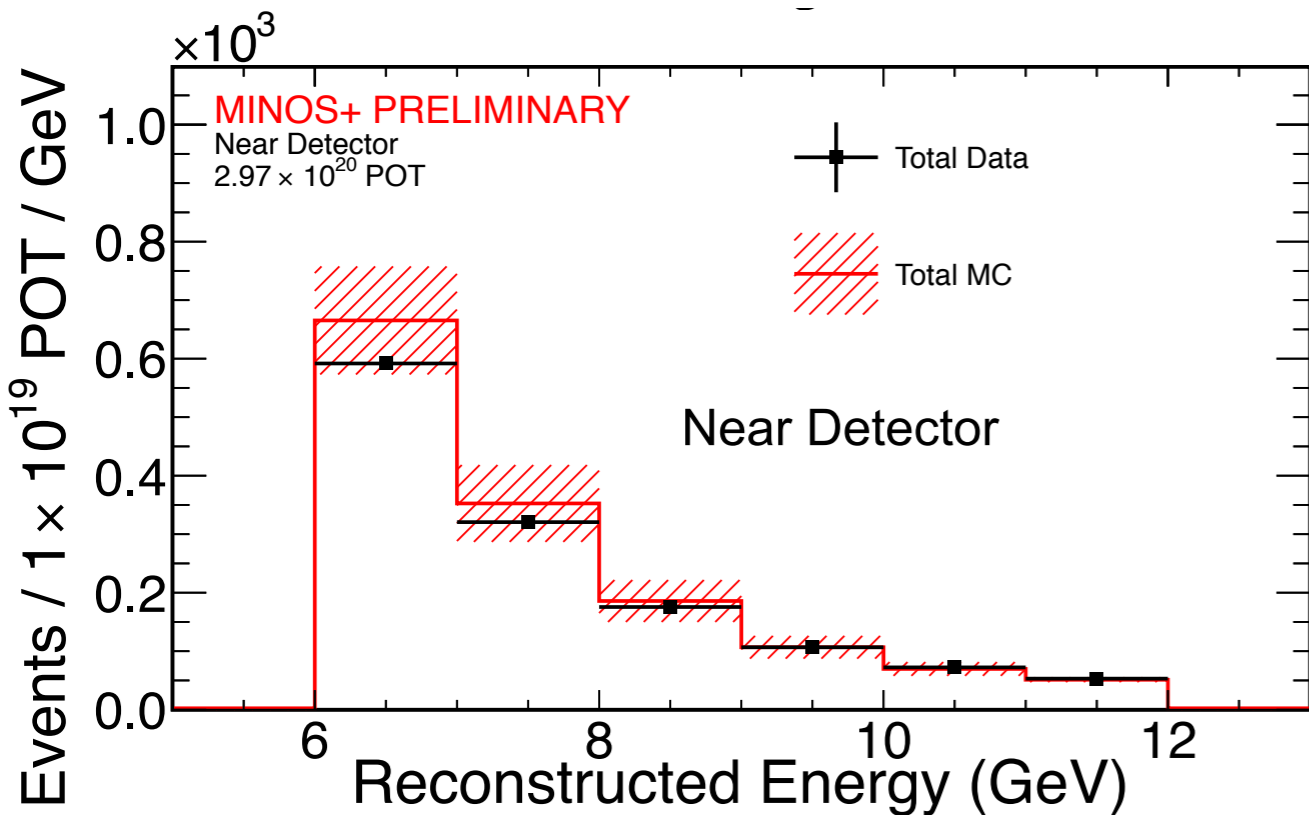


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- Look at ν_e appearance in FD based on ND predictions

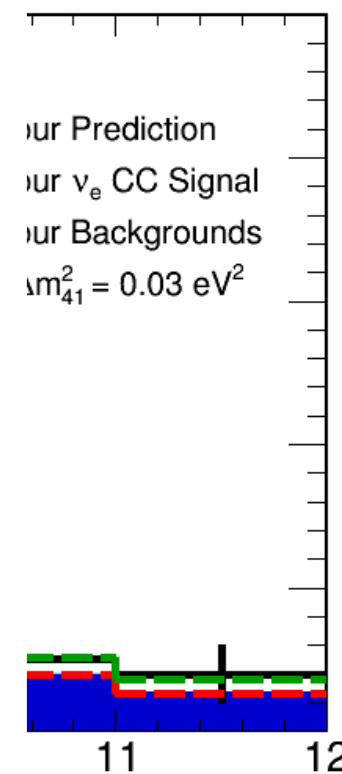
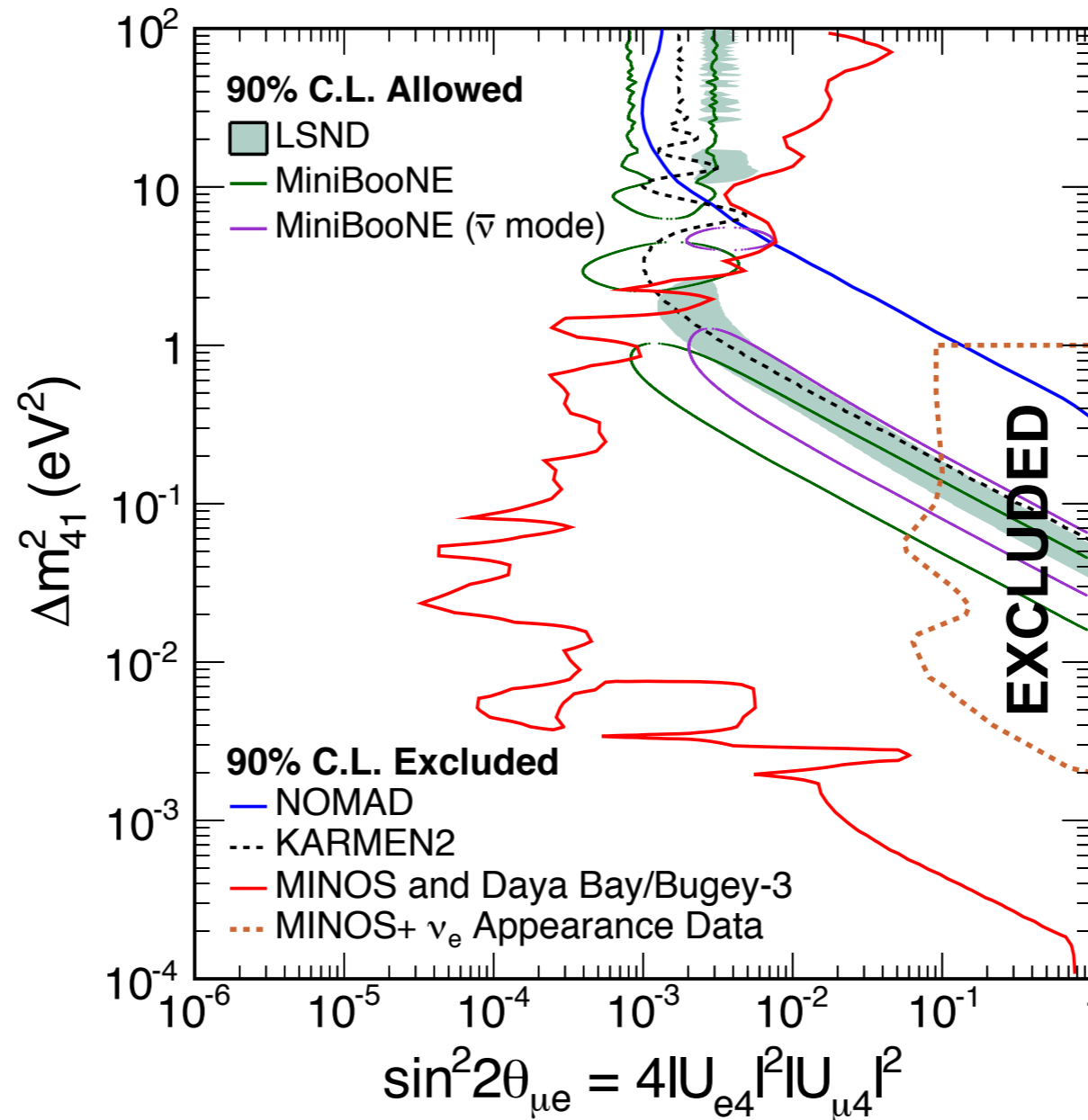
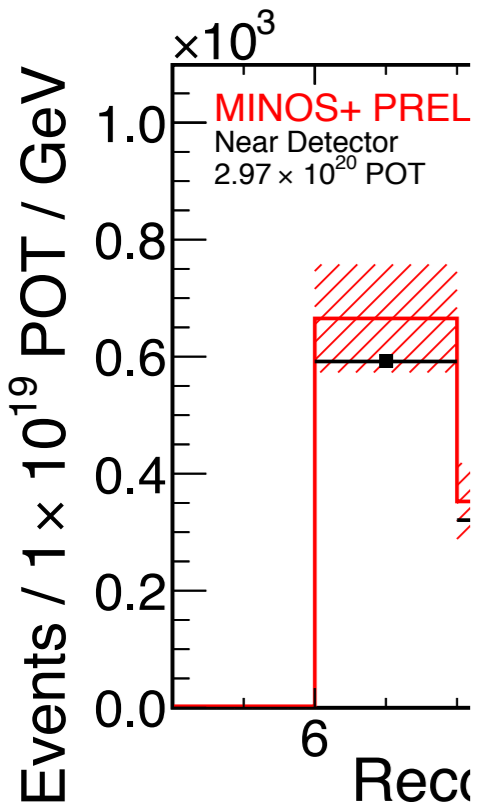


Expect 56.7 events, observe 78

➤ 2.3 σ excess

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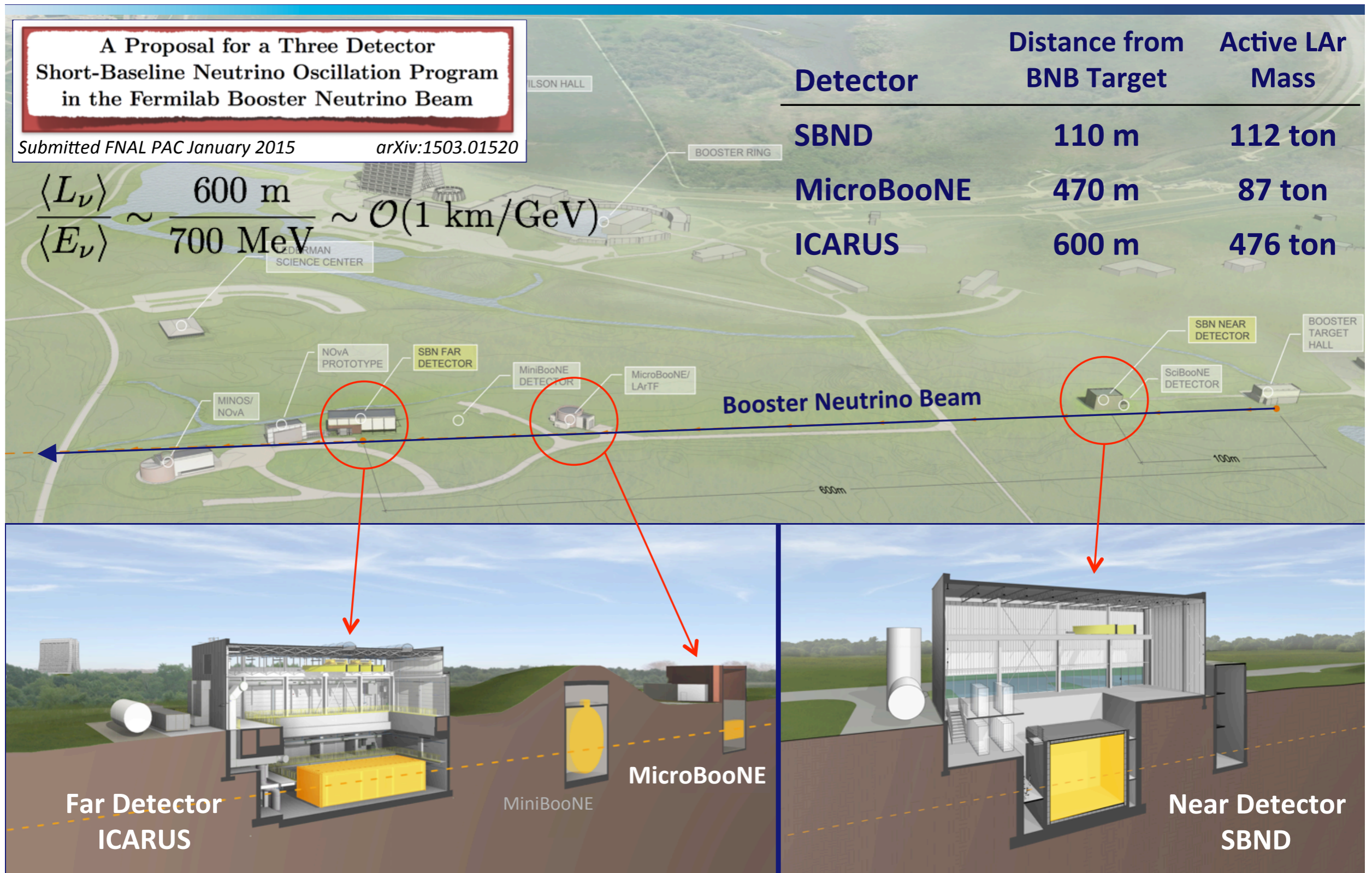
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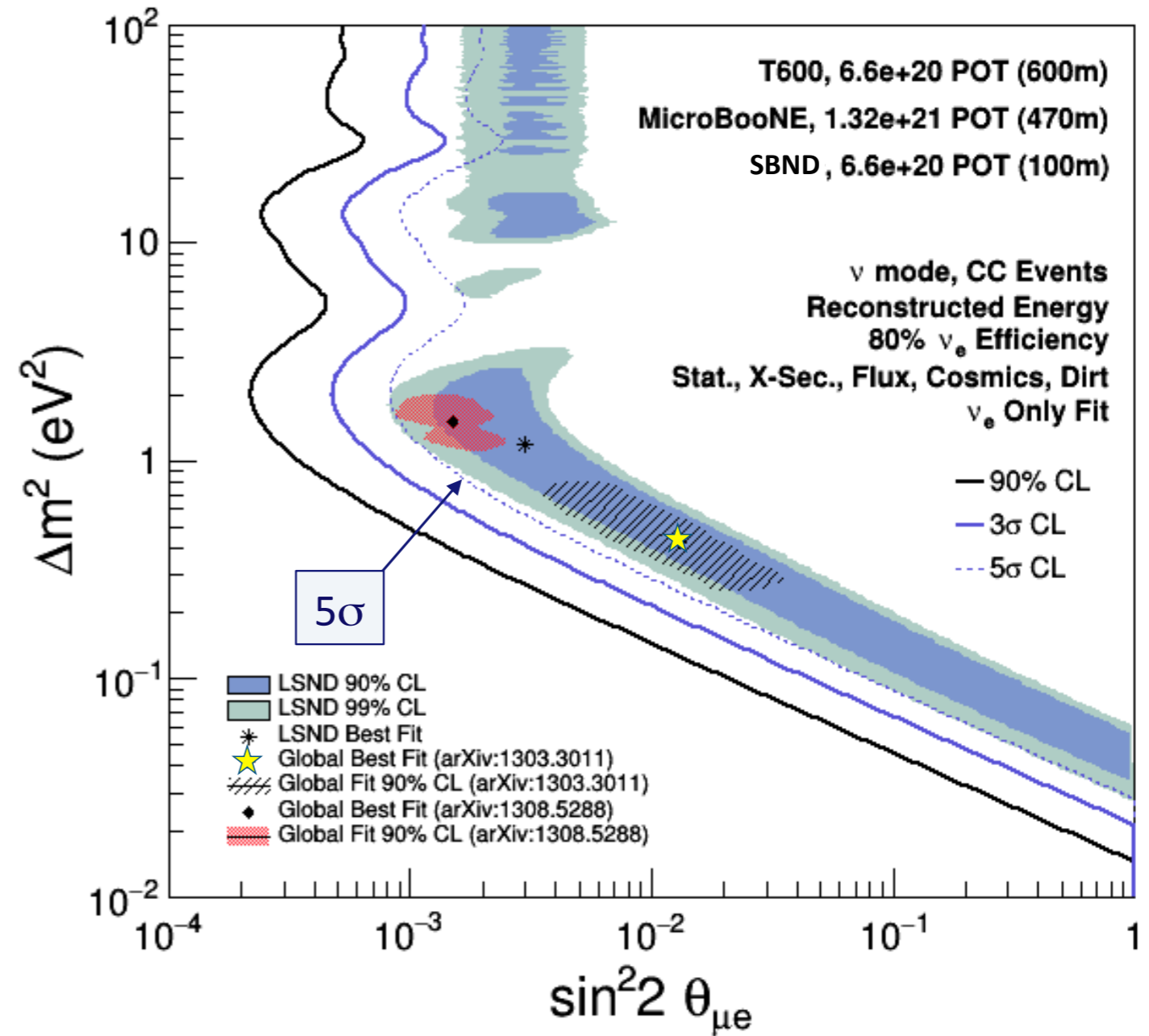
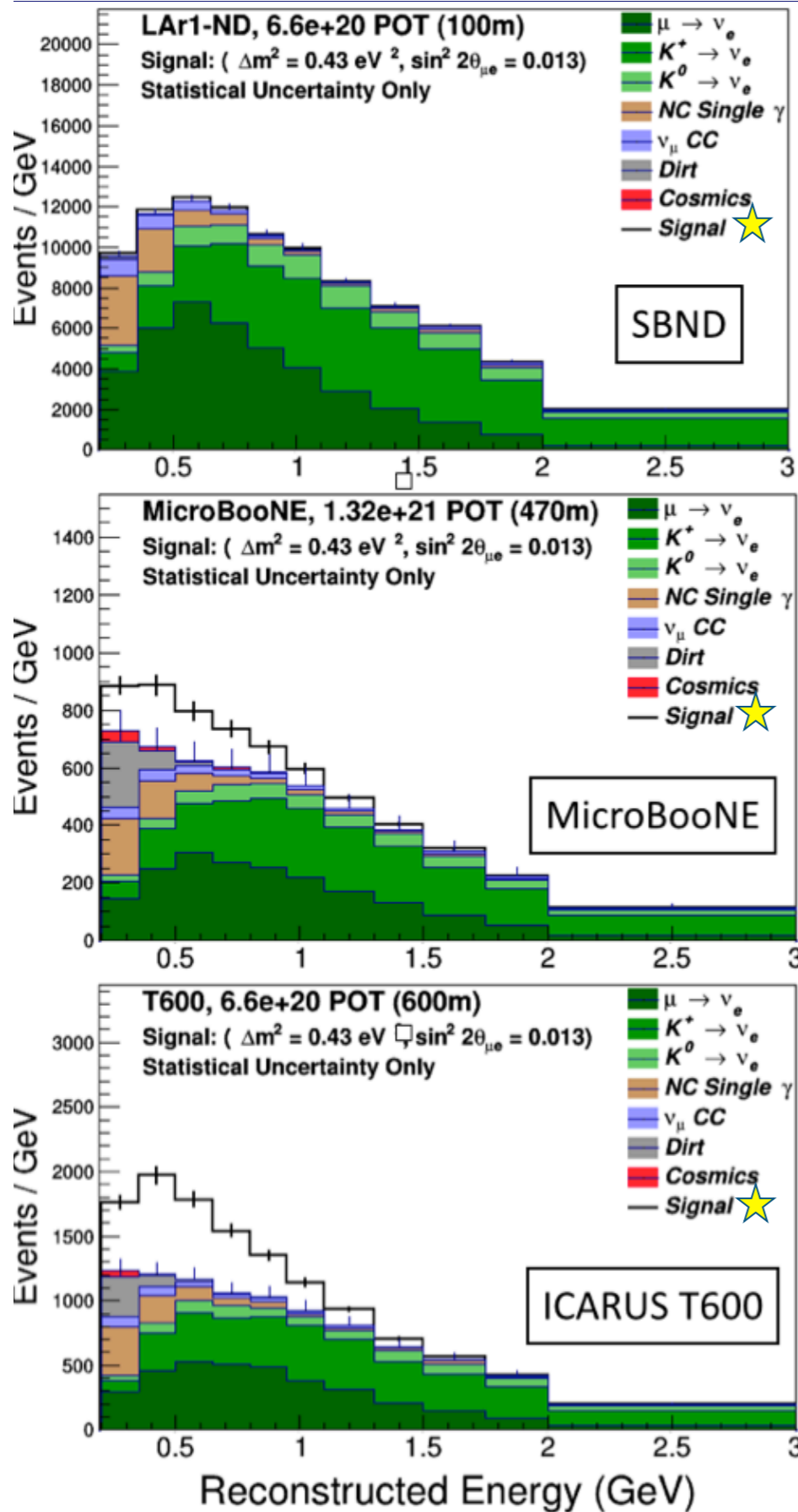
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What's next then?

SBN programme at Fermilab



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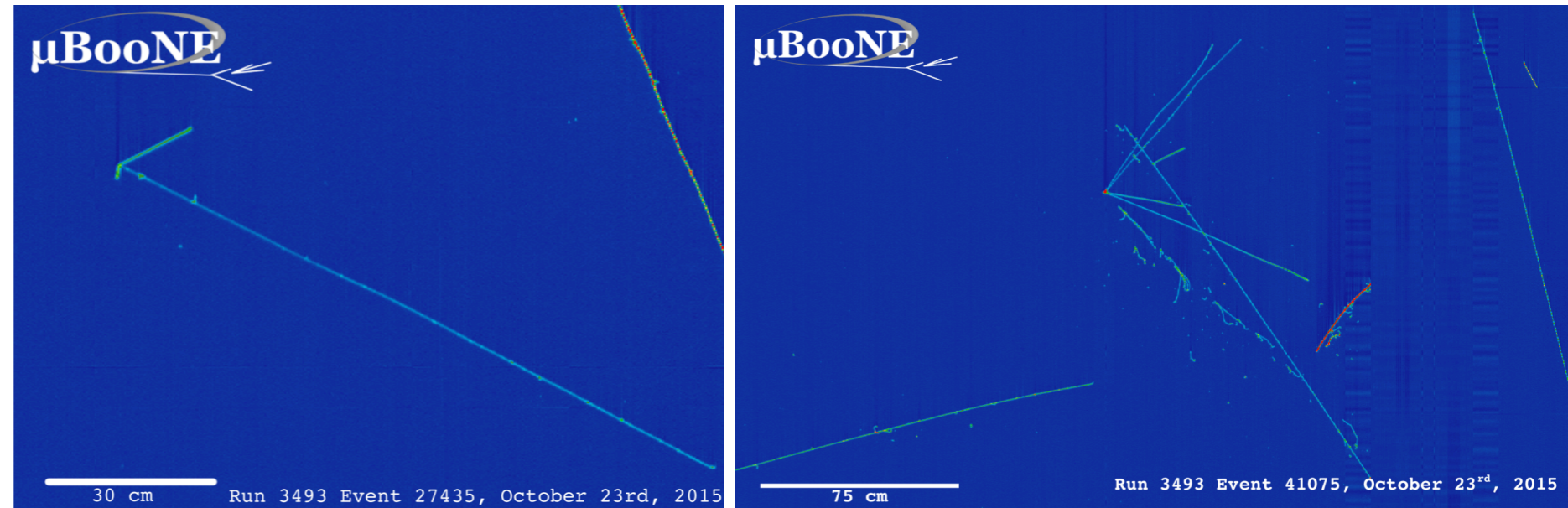


SBN proposal arxiv:1503.01520

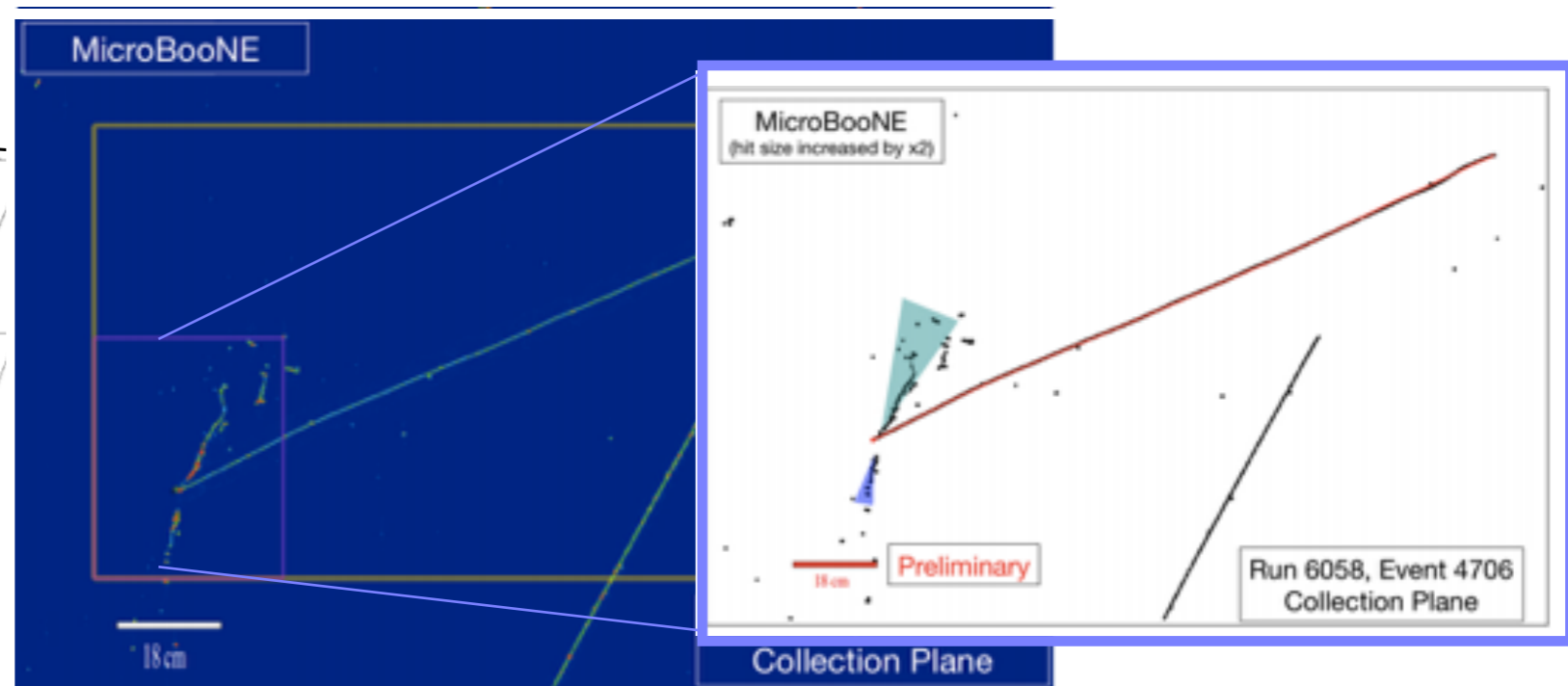
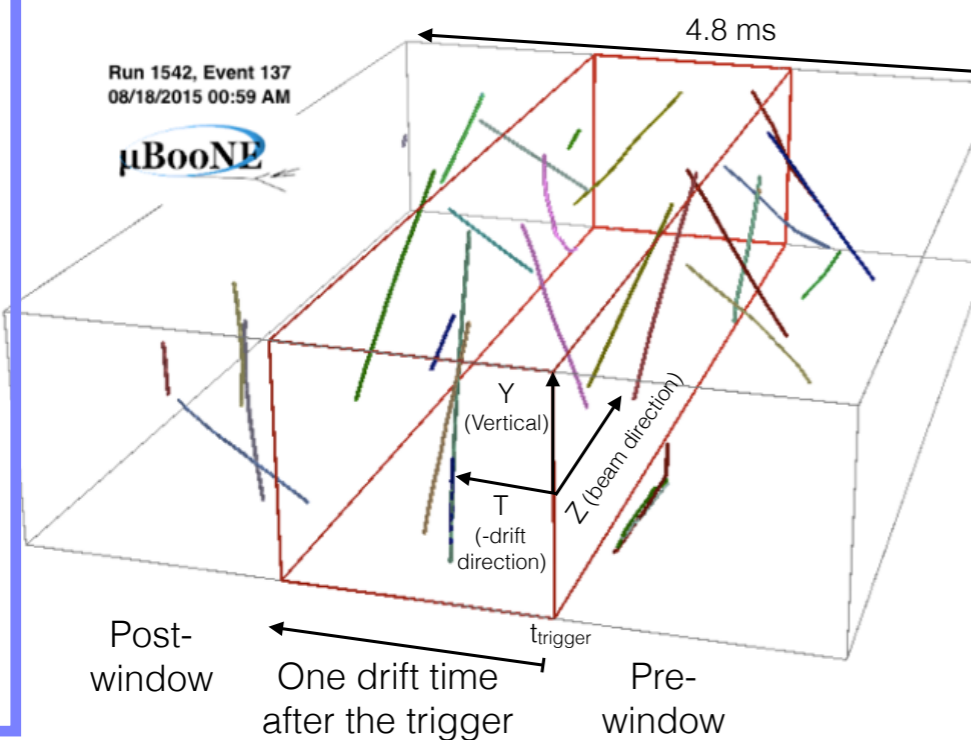
Status of SBN -> MicroBooNE

- MicroBooNE has been taking neutrino data since October 2015
- > 1/2 data set accumulated in first year
- Upgrades underway

Pip Hamilton's talk



Reconstructed cosmic tracks in MicroBooNE data
(assuming $t_0 = t_{\text{trigger}}$)



Automated Reconstruction!

Status of SBN

June 2016

ICARUS building



 Fermilab

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SBND building



existing cables carrying
accelerator signals to
downstream detectors

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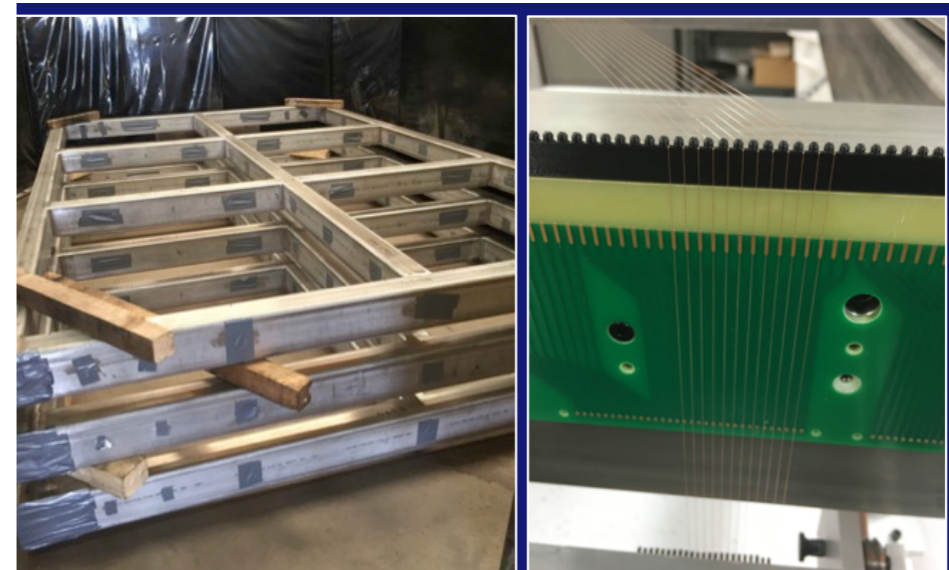
Status of SBN -> SBND

- TPC construction has begun!
- Detector installation planned for Summer 2017

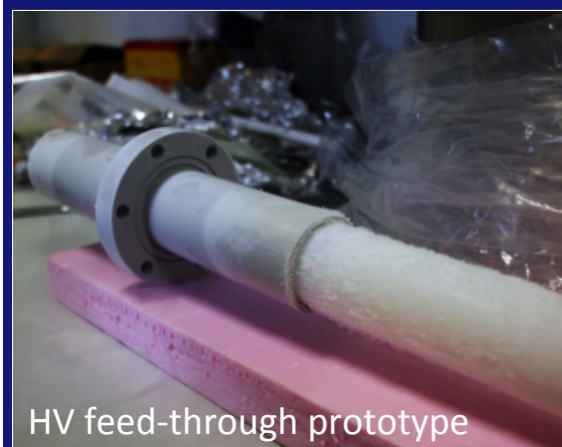
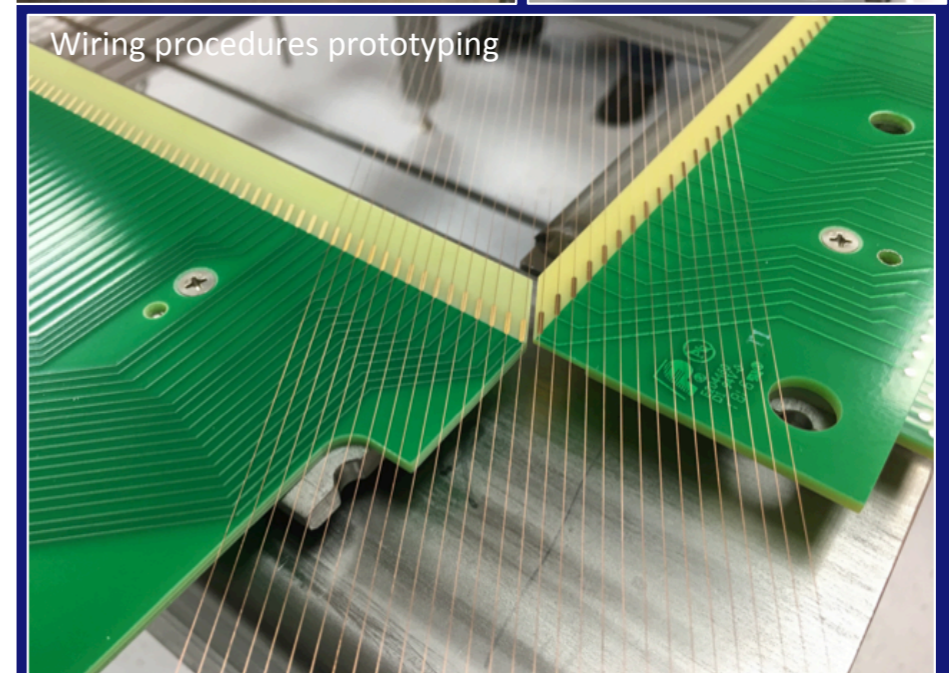
- Commissioning and operation in 2018



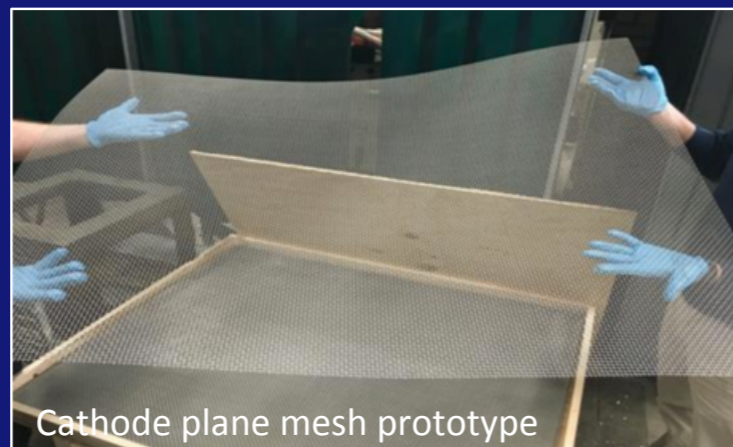
Wire plane frames in production



Wiring procedures prototyping



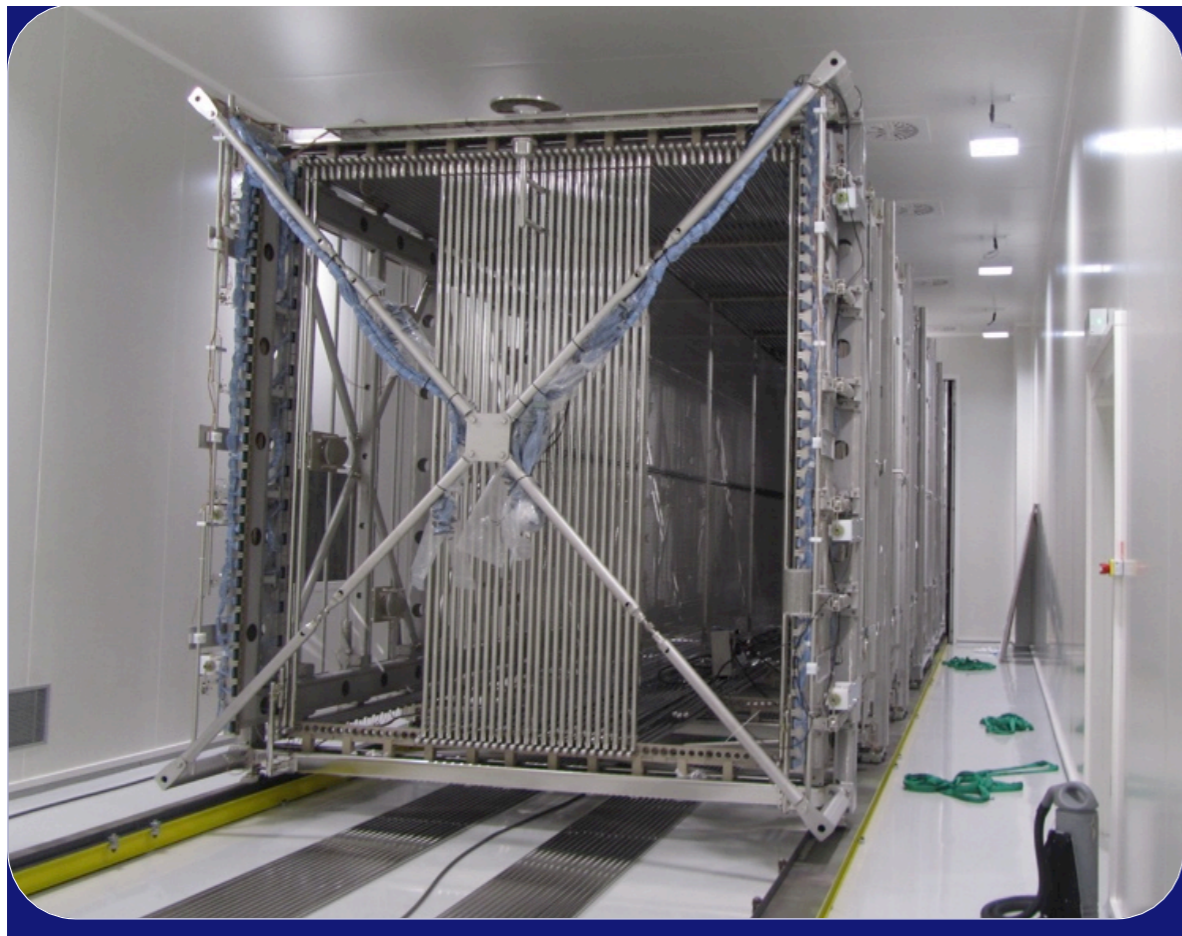
HV feed-through prototype



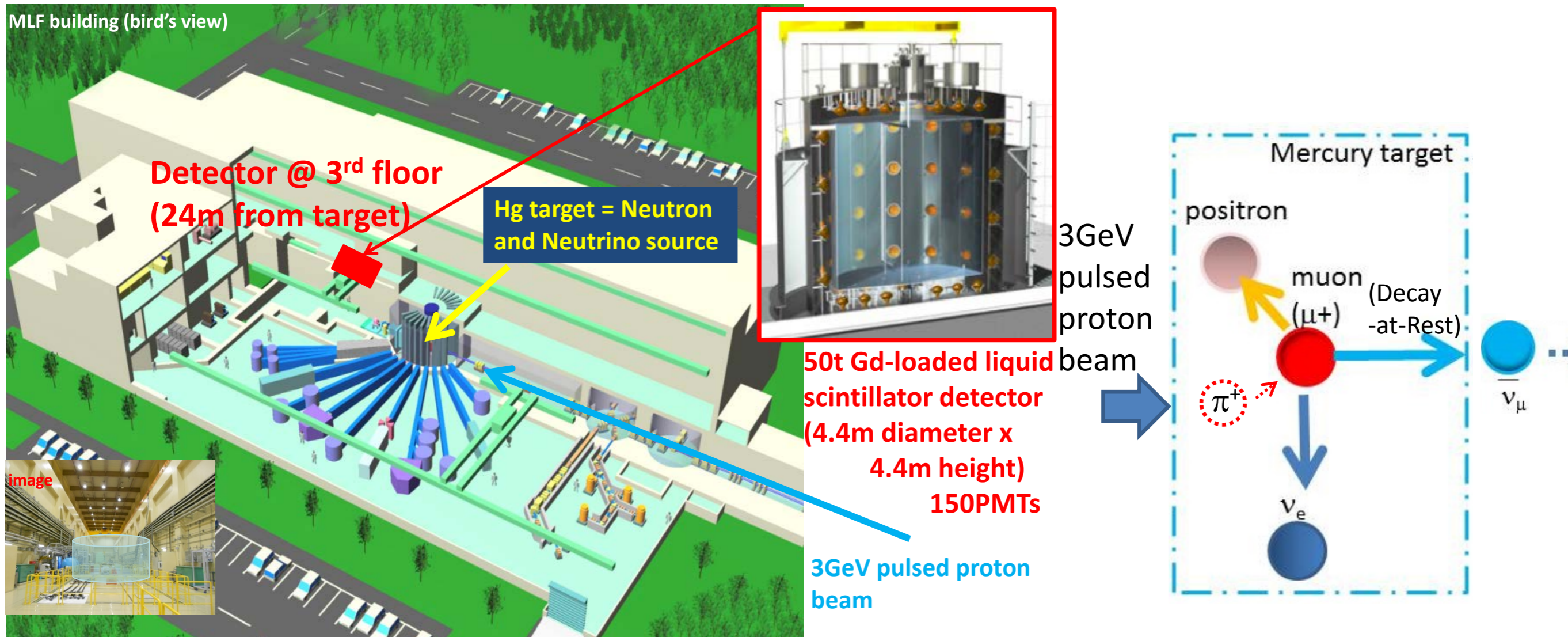
Cathode plane mesh prototype

Status of SBN -> ICARUS

- Detector refurbishment is underway (complete early 2107)
- Installation at FNAL in 2017
- Commissioning and operations 2018



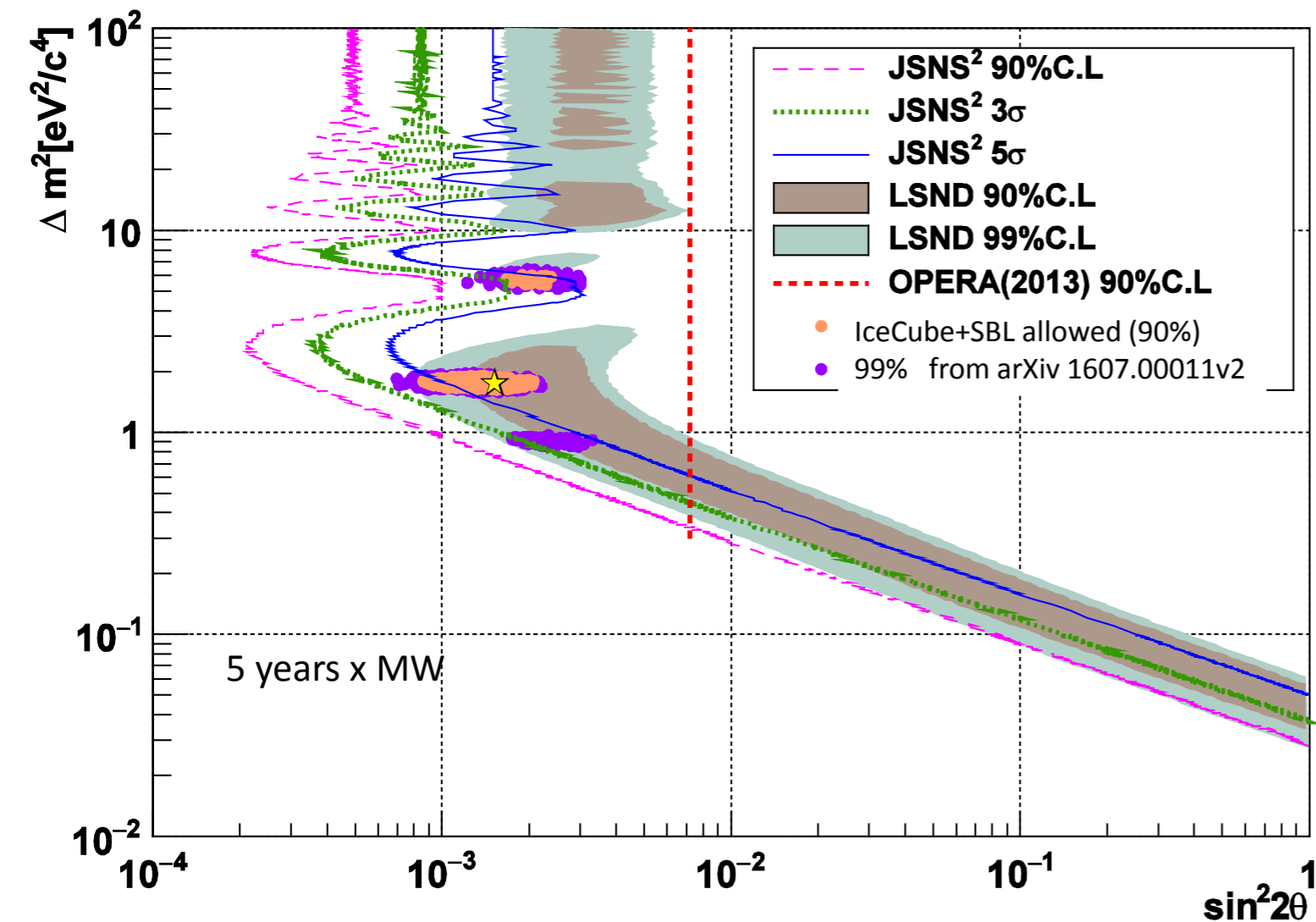
JSNS² (J-PARC Sterile Neutrino Search at J-PARC Spallation Neutron Source)



Searching for neutrino oscillation : $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ with baseline of 24m.
no new beamline, no new buildings are needed \rightarrow quick start-up

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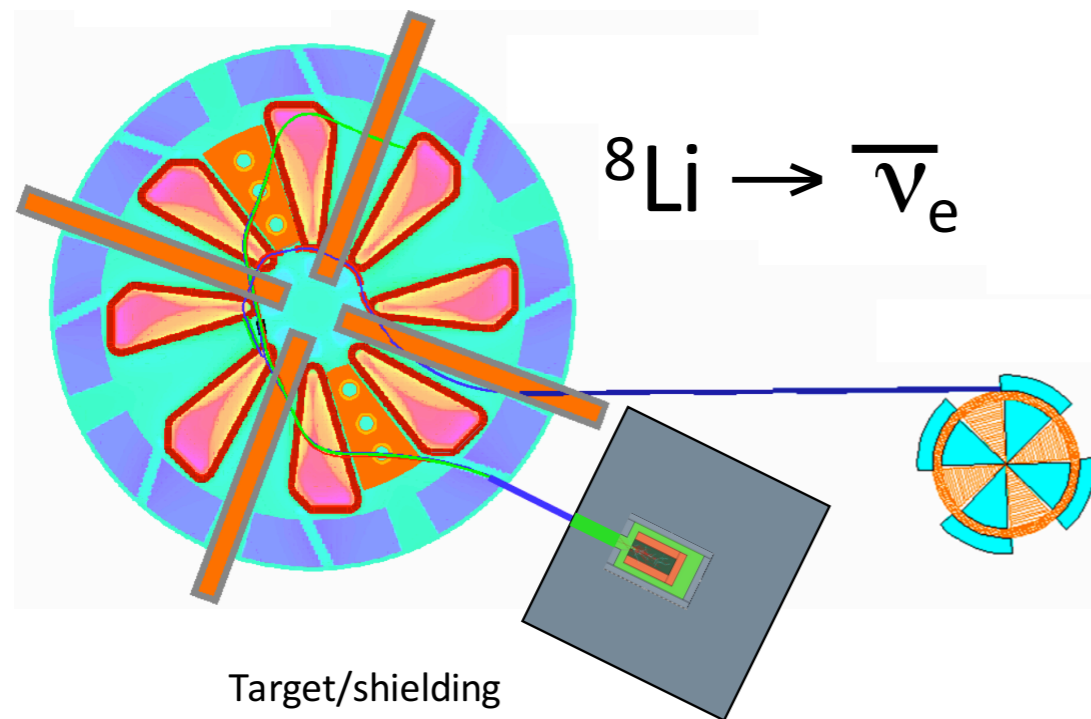


- ▶ Received Stage-1 approval from KEK and J-PARC directorates in March 2015
- ▶ Recently received funding to build first of two detector modules
- ▶ JSNS² expects to take data in 2018-2019

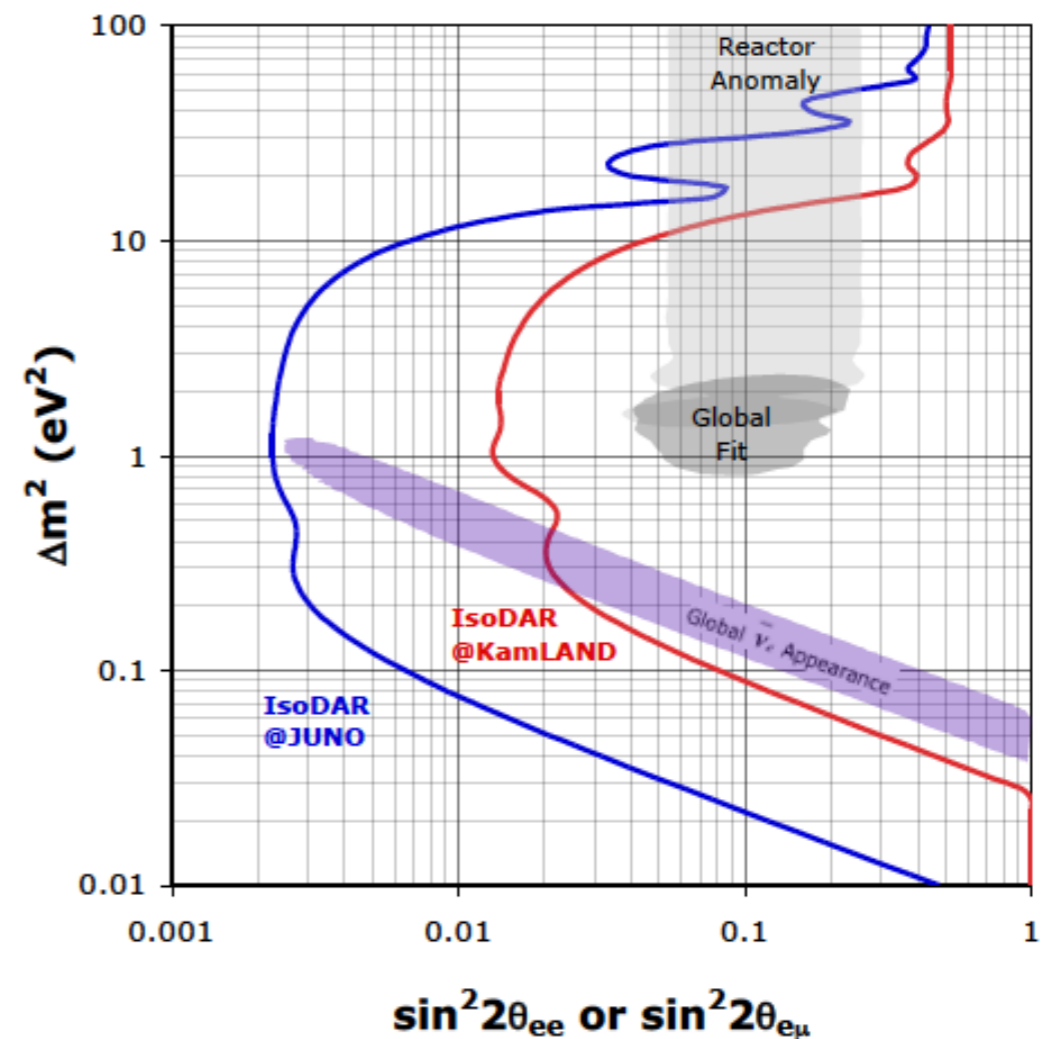
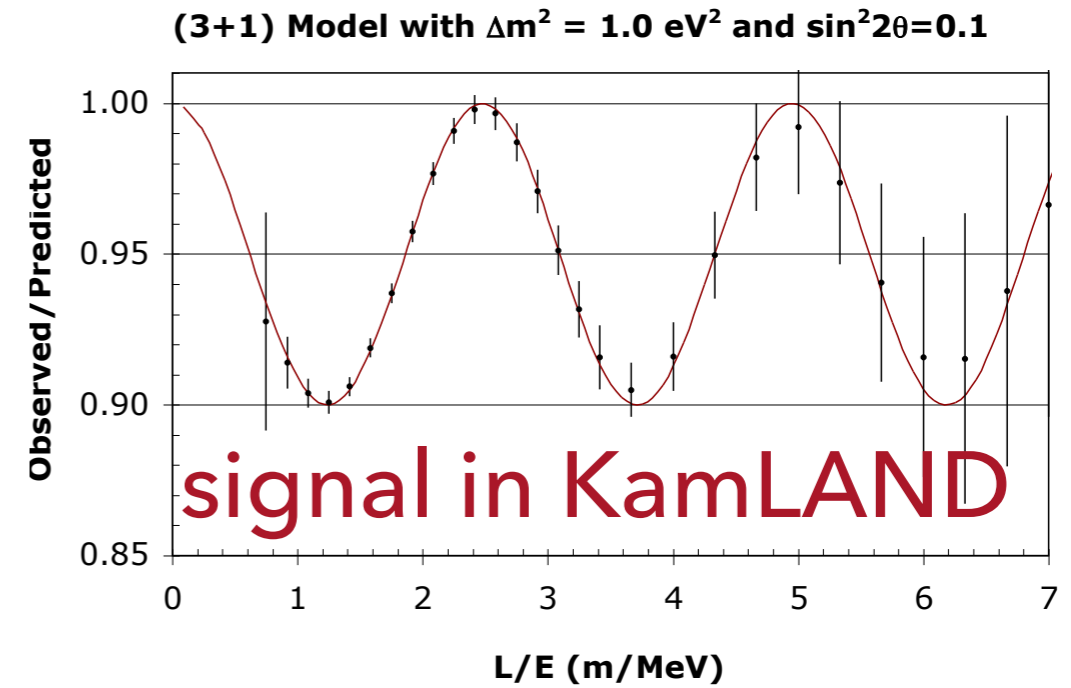
Direct test of LSND!

Decay-at-rest options (IsoDAR)

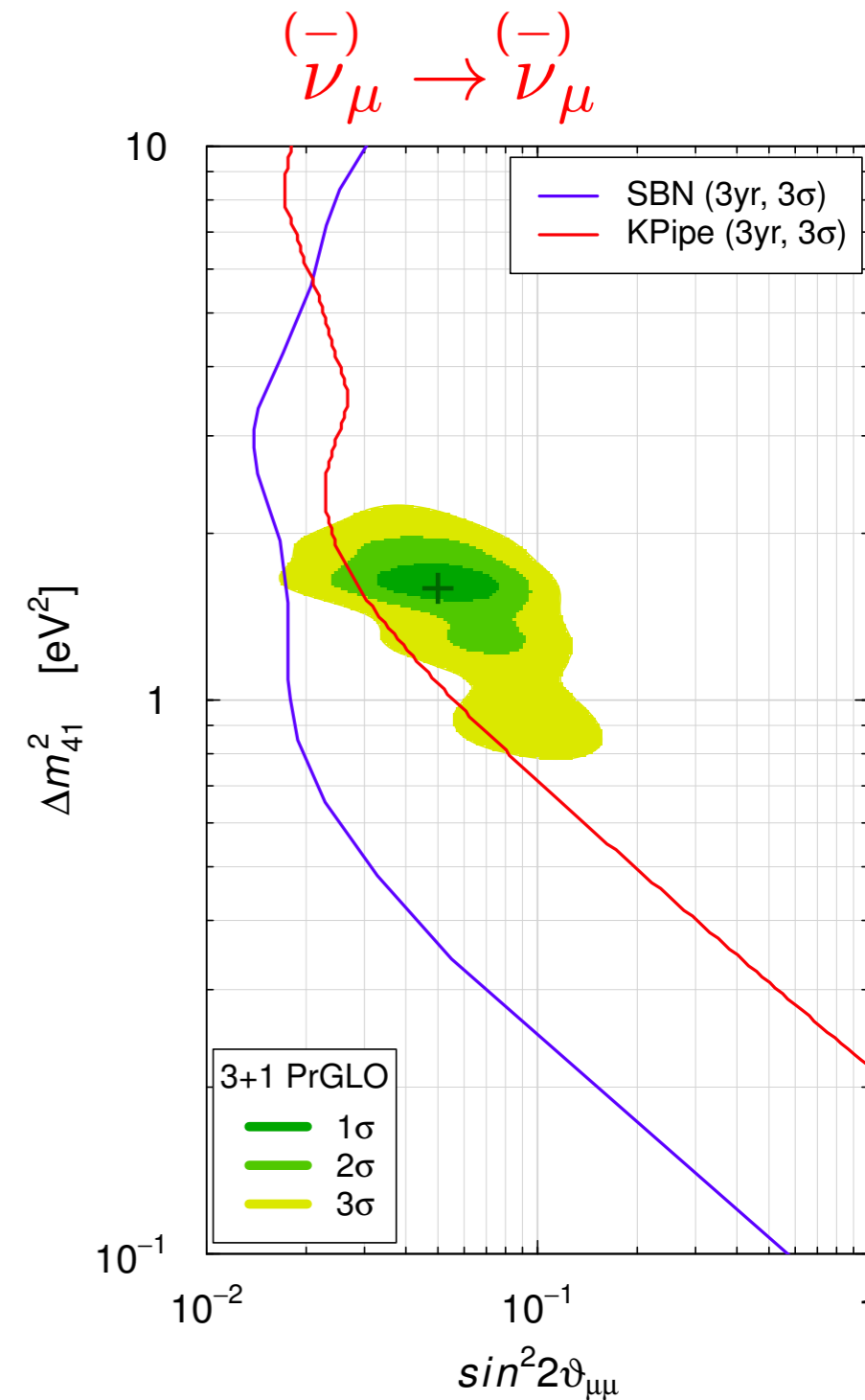
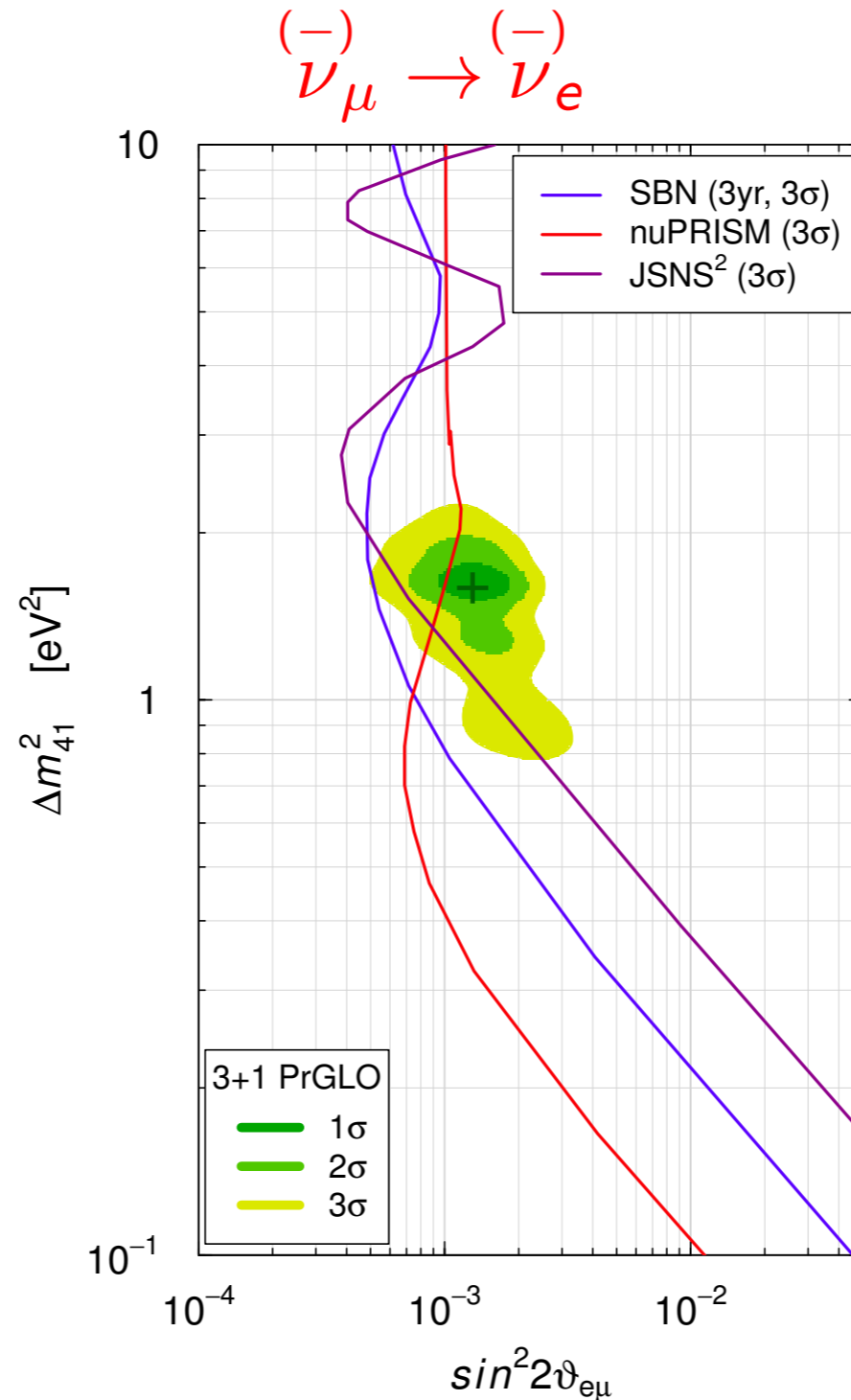
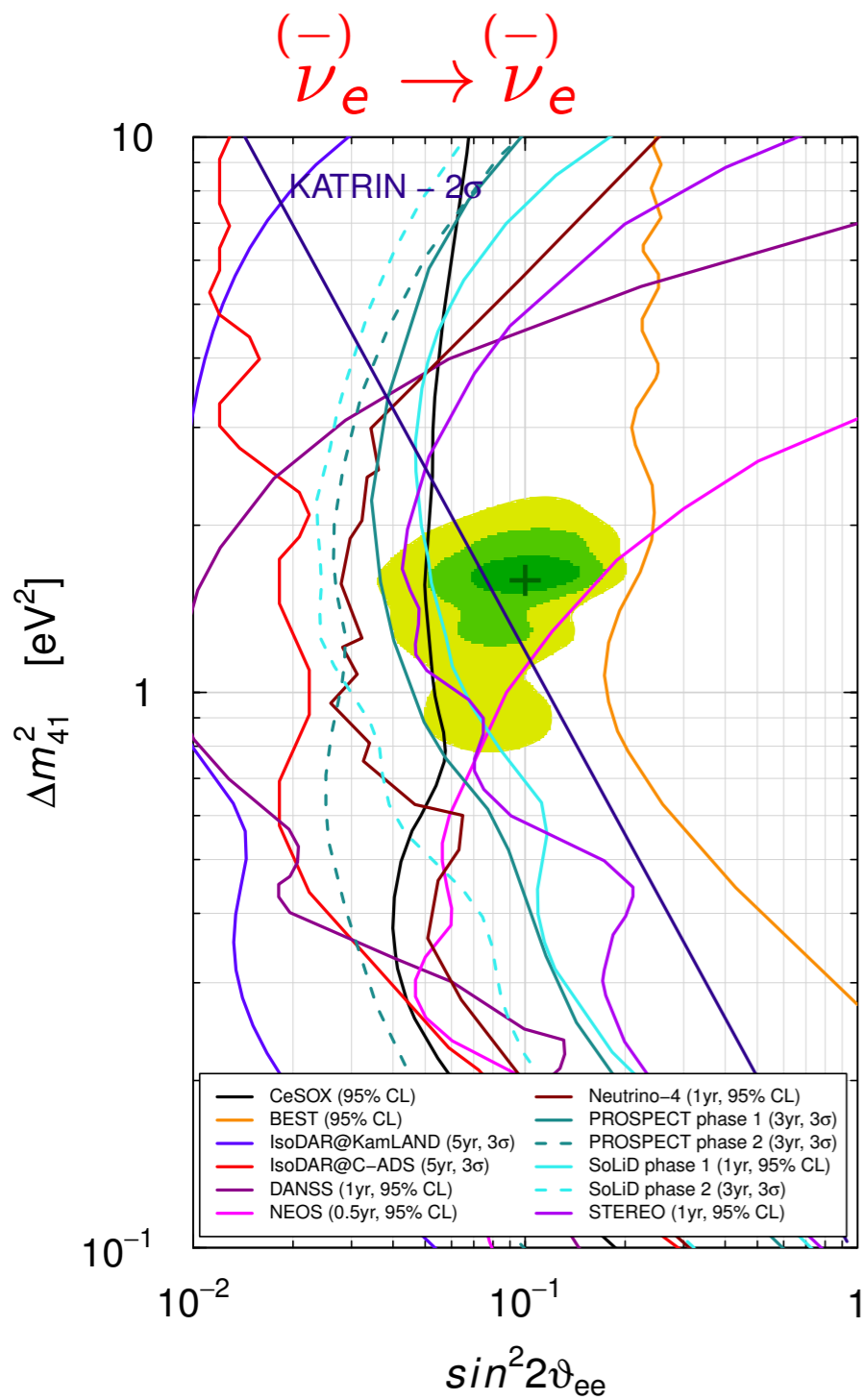
- IsoDAR -> Using cyclotron to produce isotope ^8Li that will decay at rest



J. Alonso talk



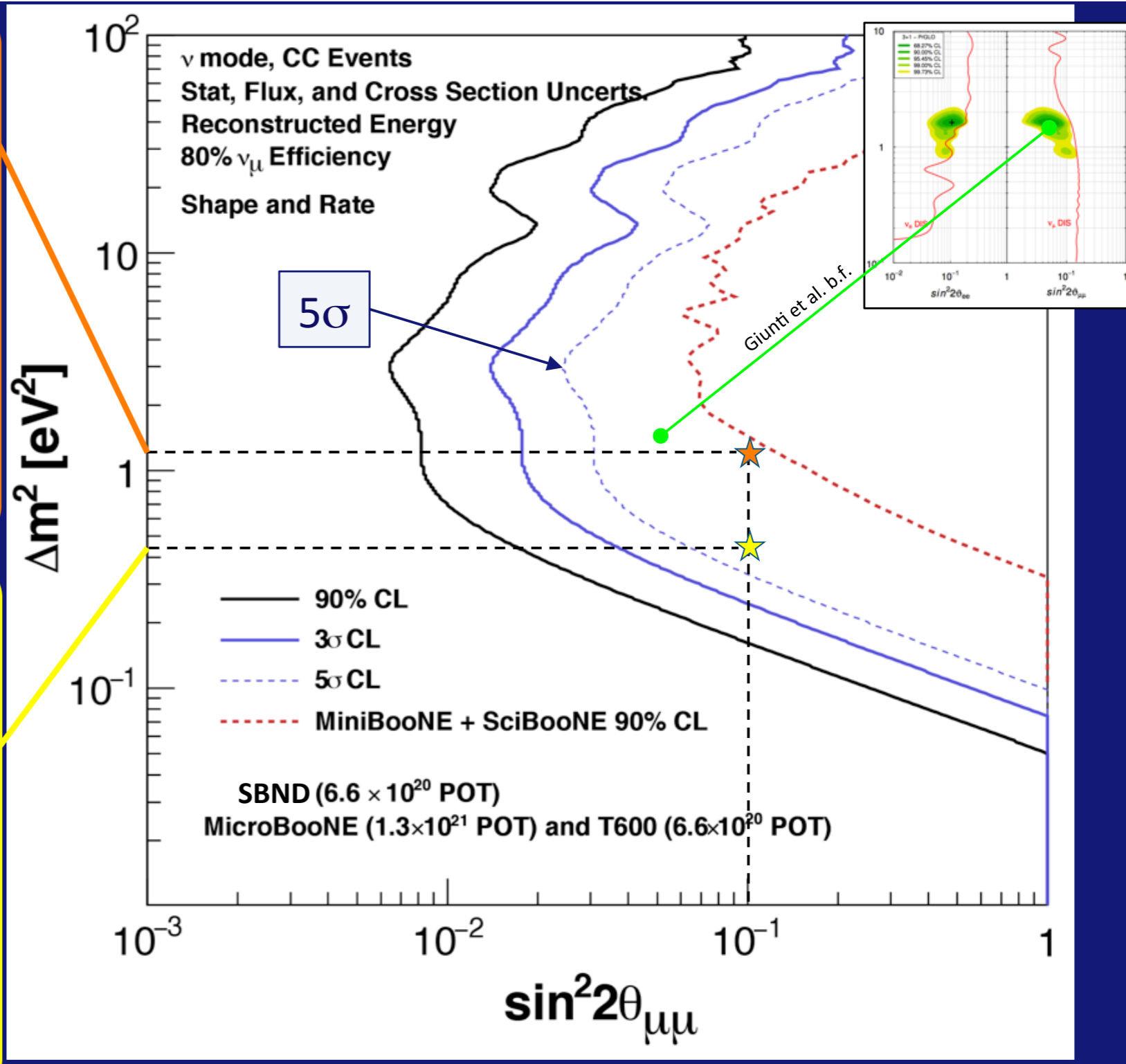
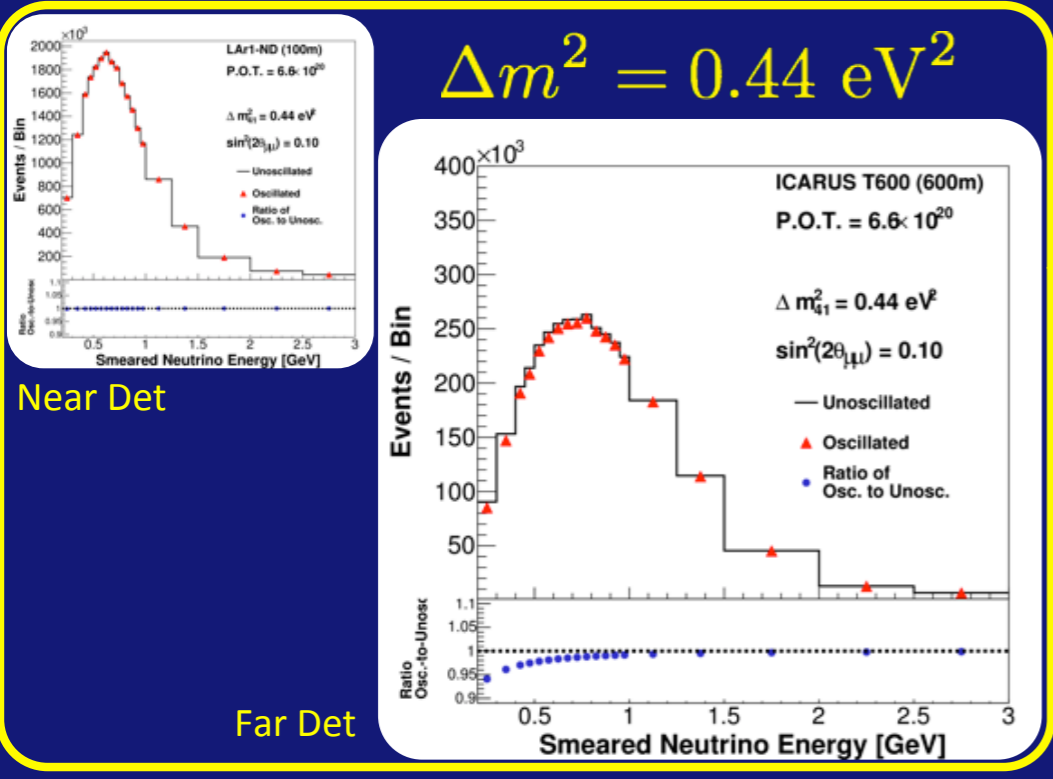
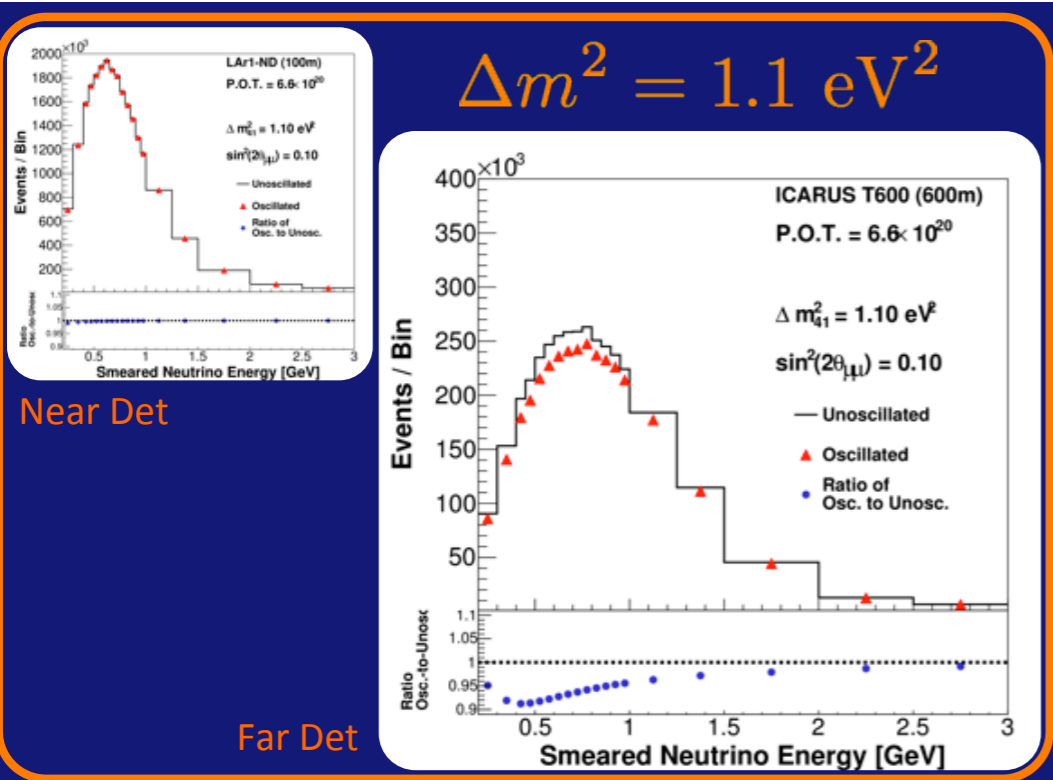
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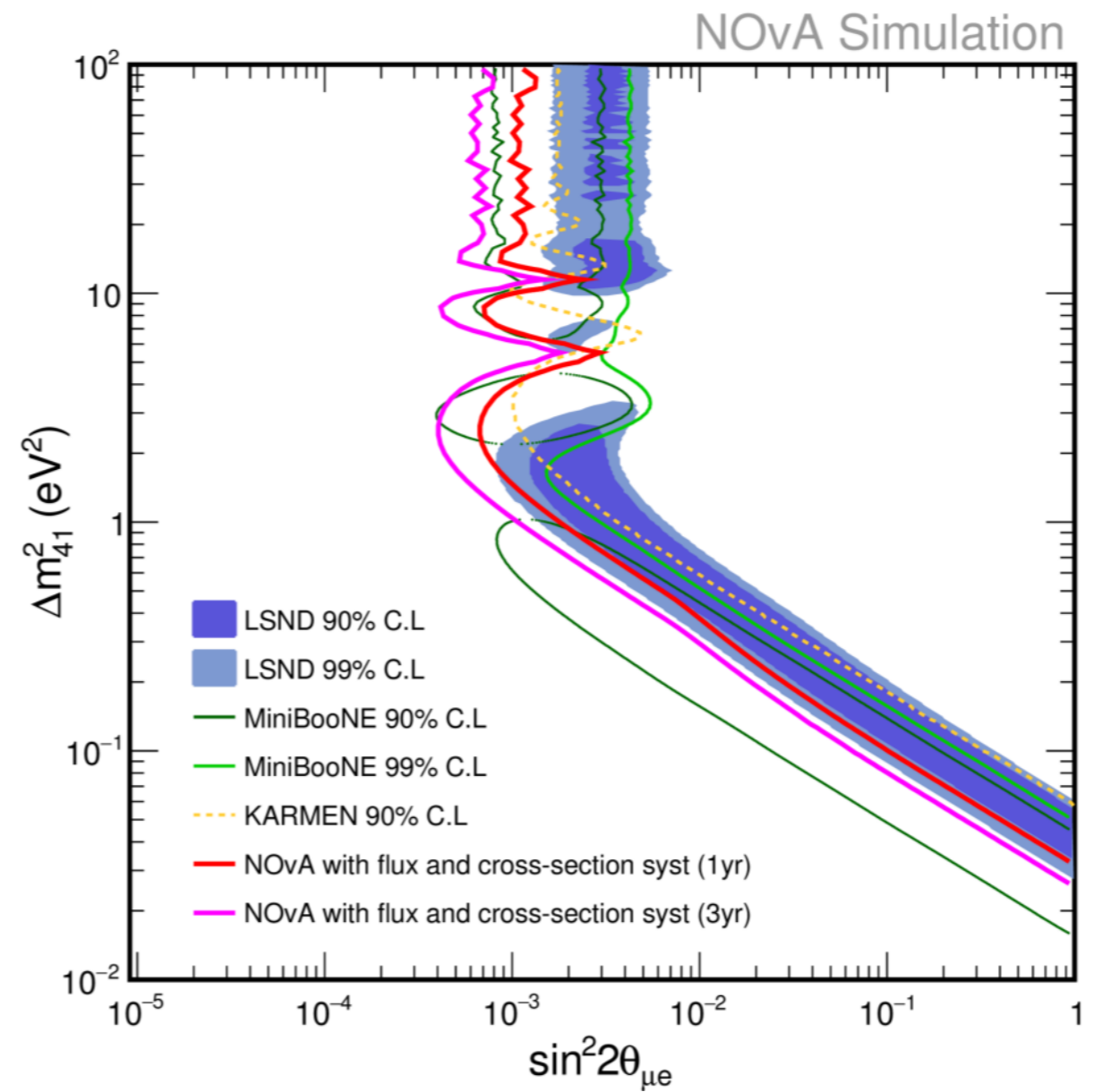
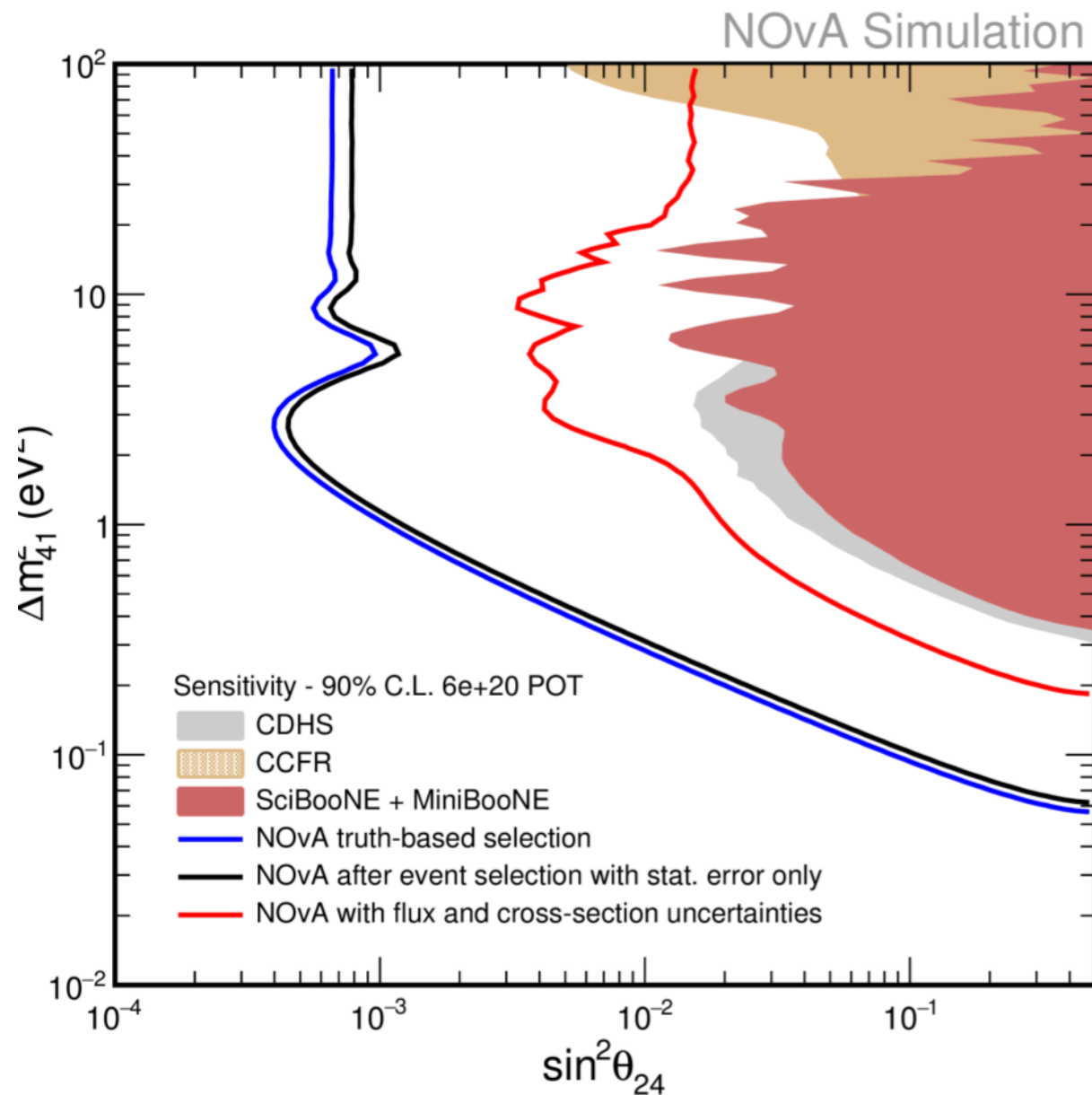
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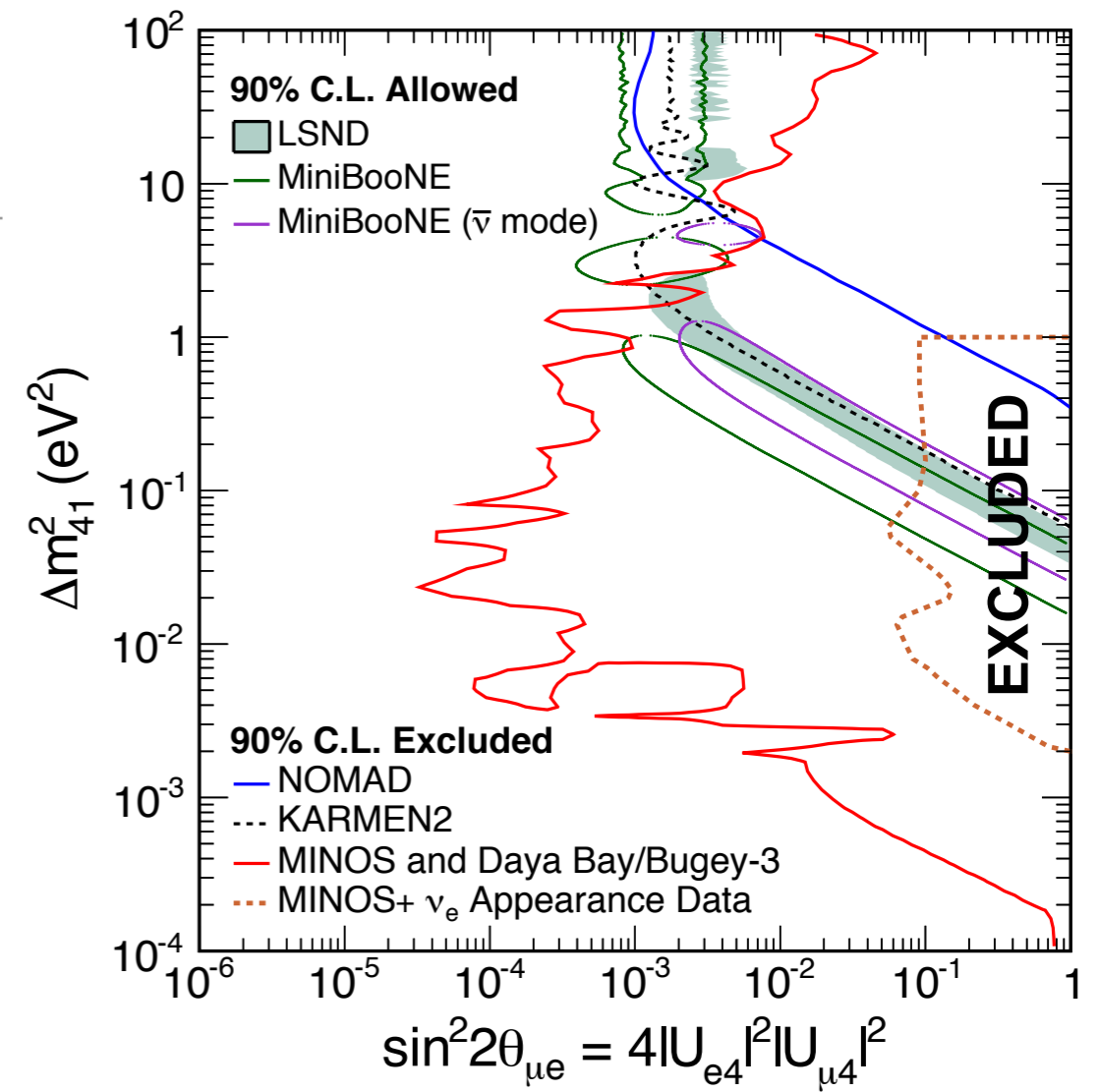
- Several anomalies in neutrino experiments (all $\sim 3\sigma$)
- No clear coherence in the results (a lot of tension)
- Need to test the anomalies directly
- Understanding these anomalies is crucial for the future LBL experiments in order to properly interpret CP-violation and MH measurements
- Some approved experiments will help (e.g. SBN), but we are cutting it fine!
- The next years will be critical for sterile neutrino searches, stay tuned!

SBN programme at Fermilab (disappearance)

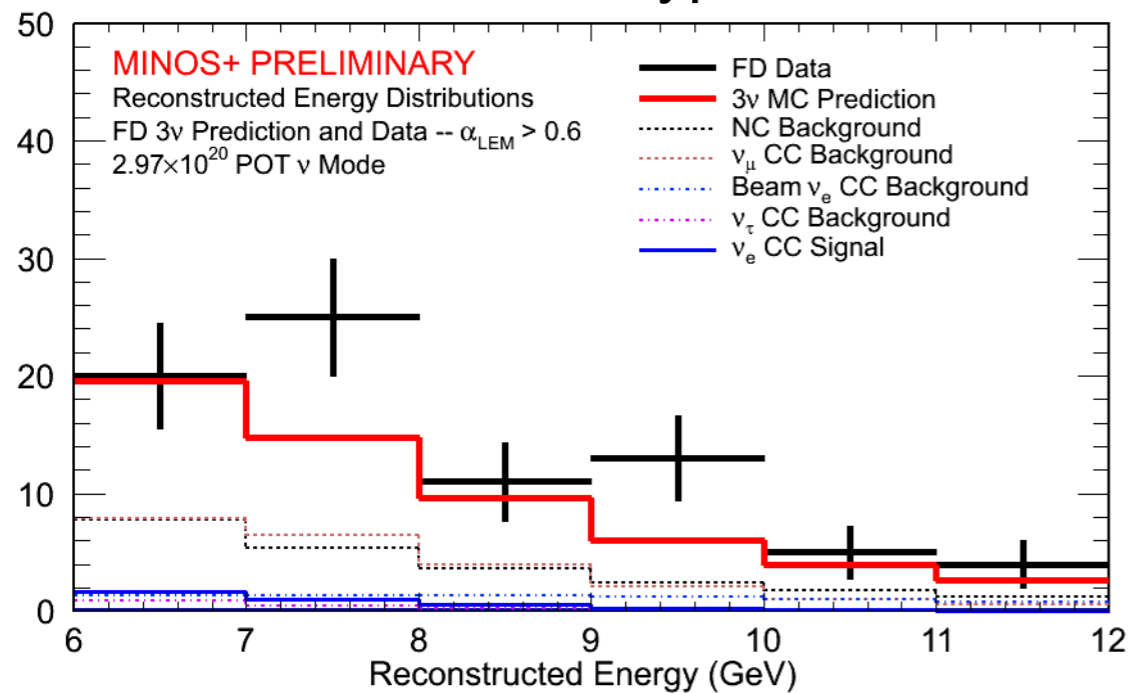


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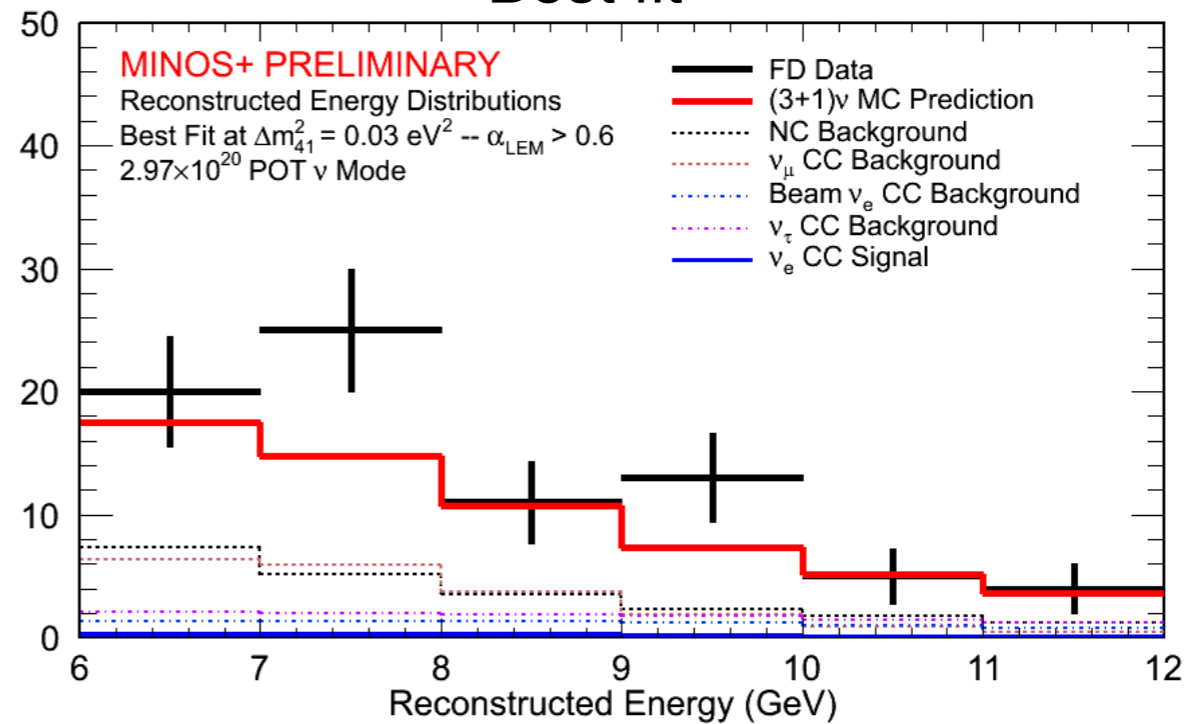


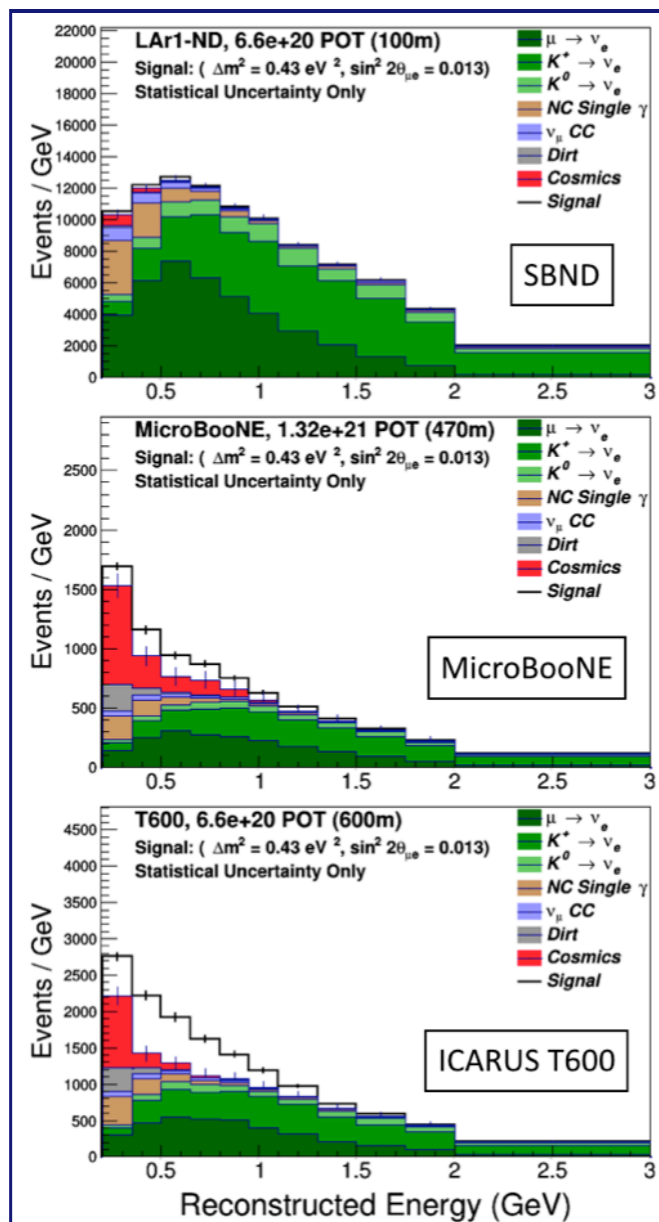


Three-neutrino hypothesis



Best fit

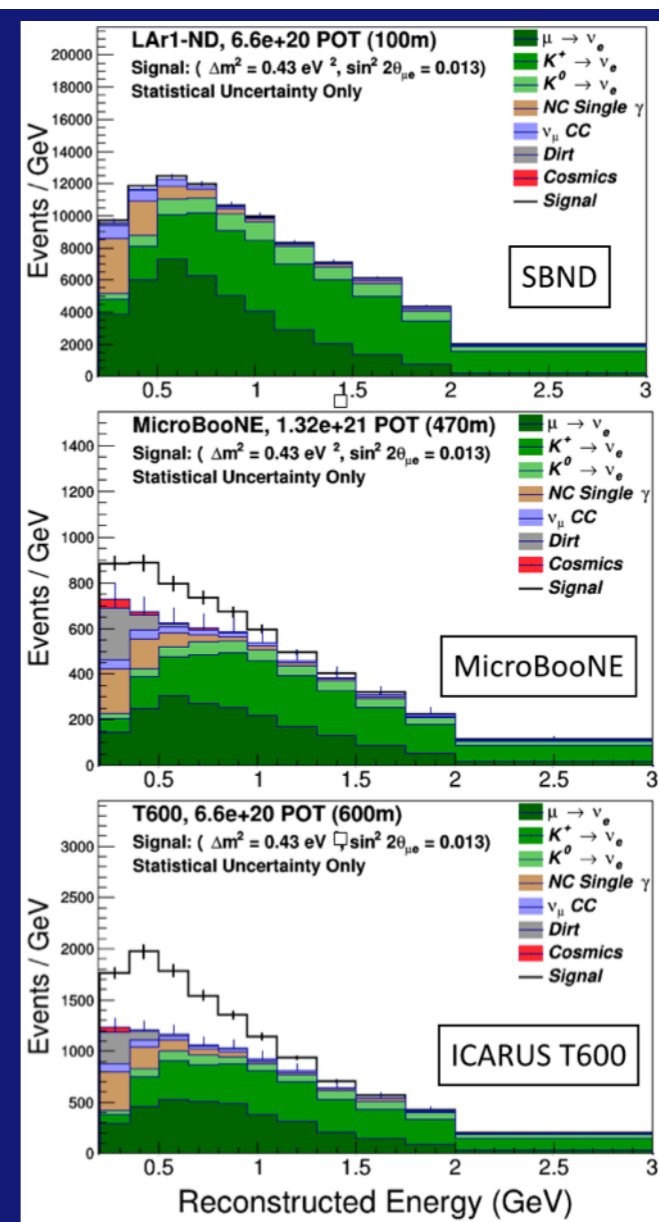




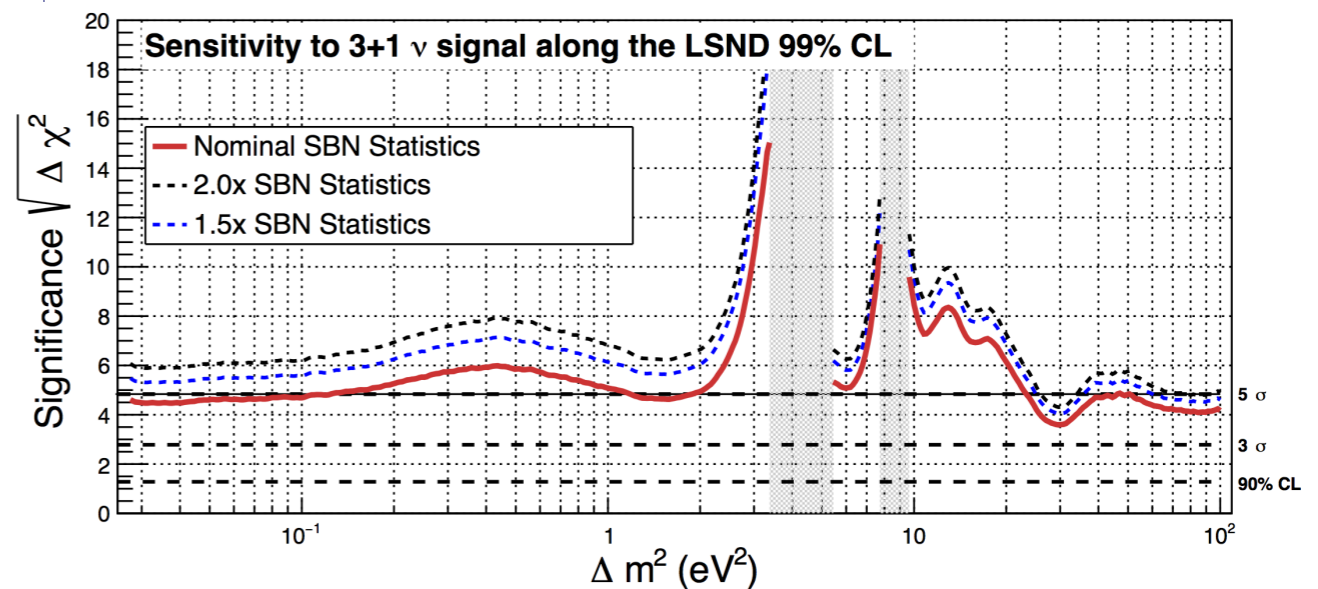
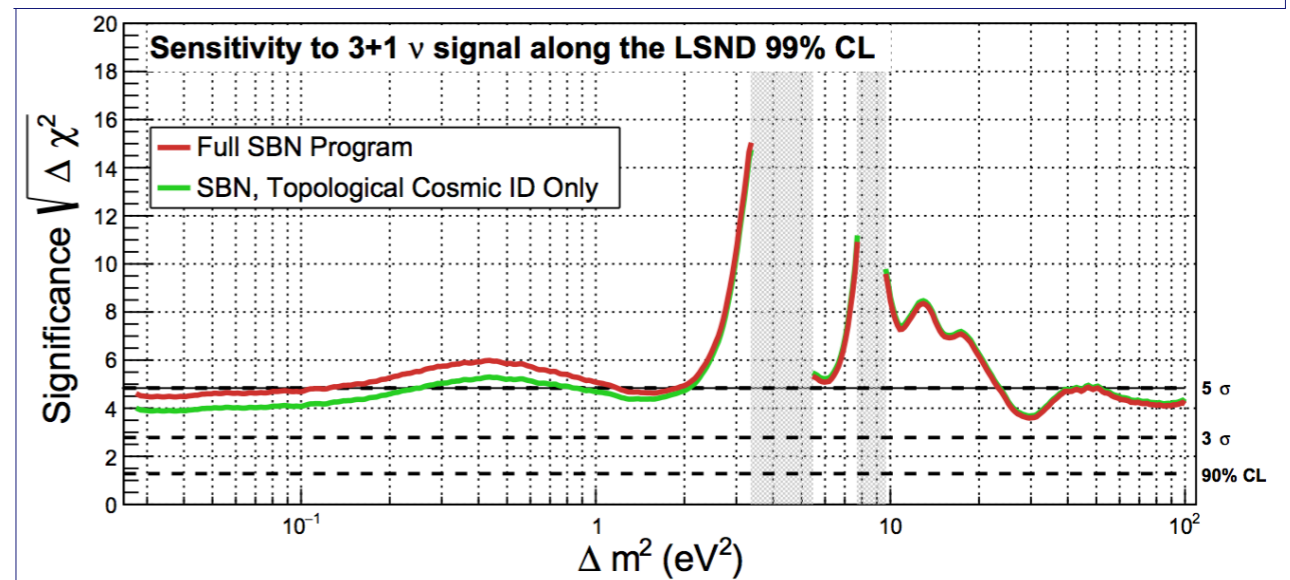
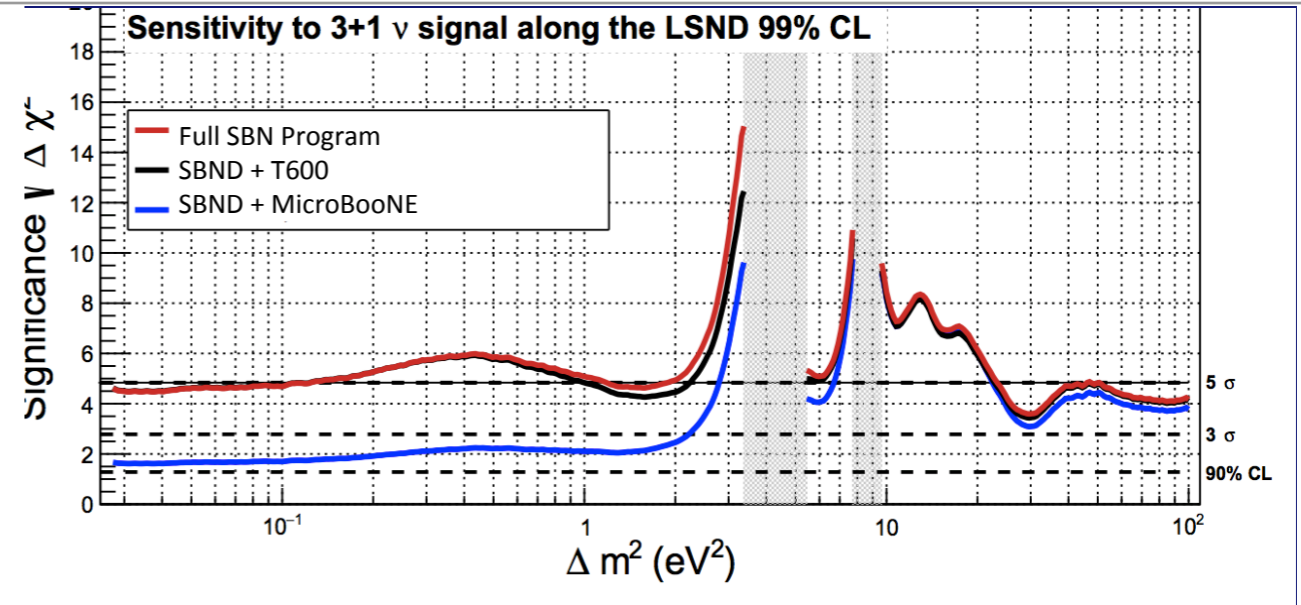
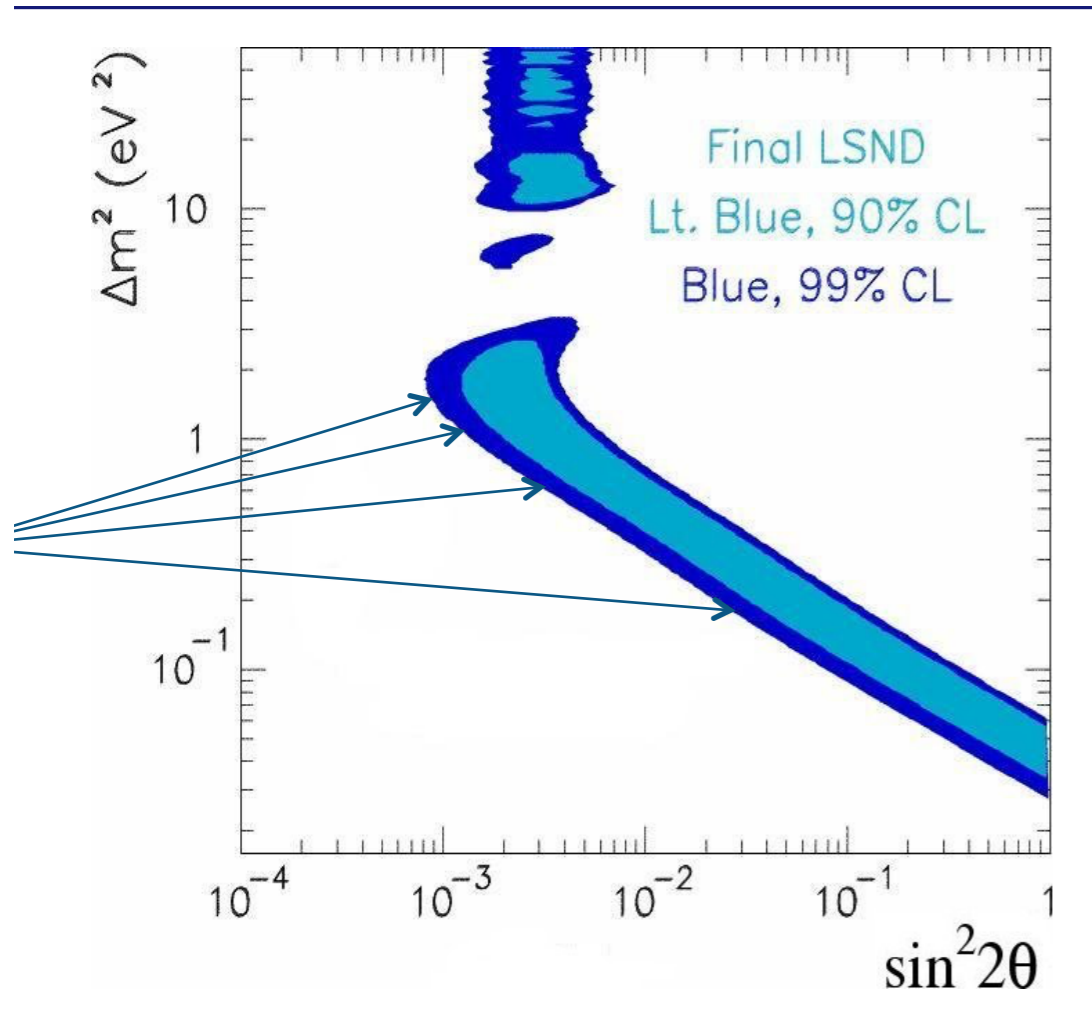
*External CR trackers identify potentially contaminated beam spills (1.6 μ s window)
 ID ~95% of cosmic μ , reject few % of beam triggers*



*Off-beam triggers can be used to measure the cosmic background to high precision
 so small systematic uncertainties - all about statistics*



SBN programme at Fermilab



T2K

