



Motivating a Korean detector: Biprobability plots

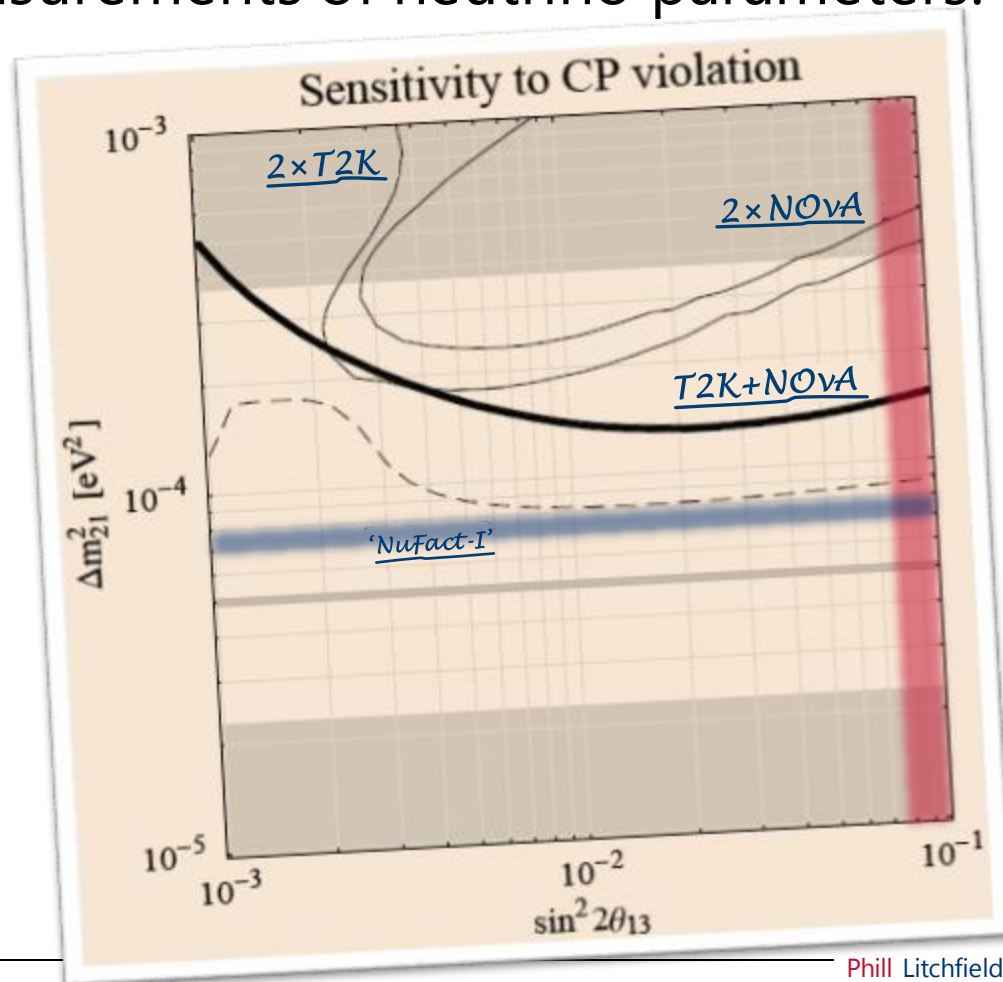


A Korean detector is exciting because...

...better measurements of neutrino parameters.

What is meant by “better”?

- More robust with respect to systematic errors
- Resolve degeneracies between oscillation parameters
- In pre- θ_{13} era, we talked about *synergies* (e.g. arXiv:0211300)





Possible scenarios (my perspective)

T2K best fit is one of the 'easy points'. Consider 2 options:

1. T2K is correct, and other experiments agree

- Good chance that T2K + NO ν A + Icecube together favour NH at $> 3\sigma$ [See back-up for NO ν A sensitivities]
- Most important goal is to establish CPv, and then *measure* δ .
- **Korean detector can better resolve δ regions that are degenerate in 1st maximum experiments.**

2. T2K is not correct, &/or other experiments disagree

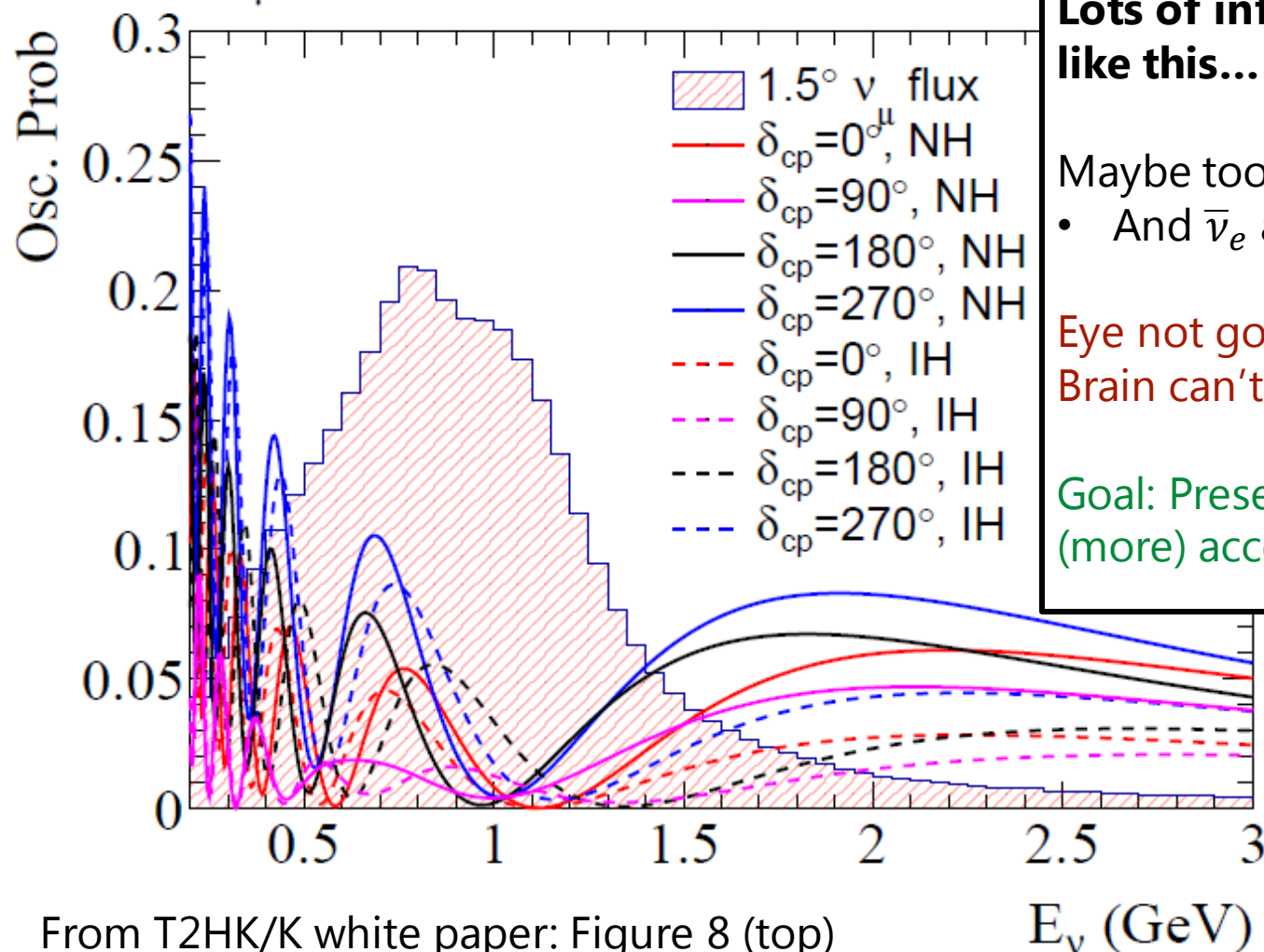
- If so, just repeating T2K at higher statistics unlikely to resolve issue
- Testing T2K best fit in other regimes is highly preferable over repeating at higher stats
- **Korean detector provides only realistic access to other regimes with Water Cherenkov detector** (in next 20y)

Want to make straightforward demonstration of these benefits.

- Either way, would provide great 'closure tests' for our model

Argh, my brain hurts!

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ at 1100 km



Lots of information in a figure like this... *BUT*

Maybe too much information?

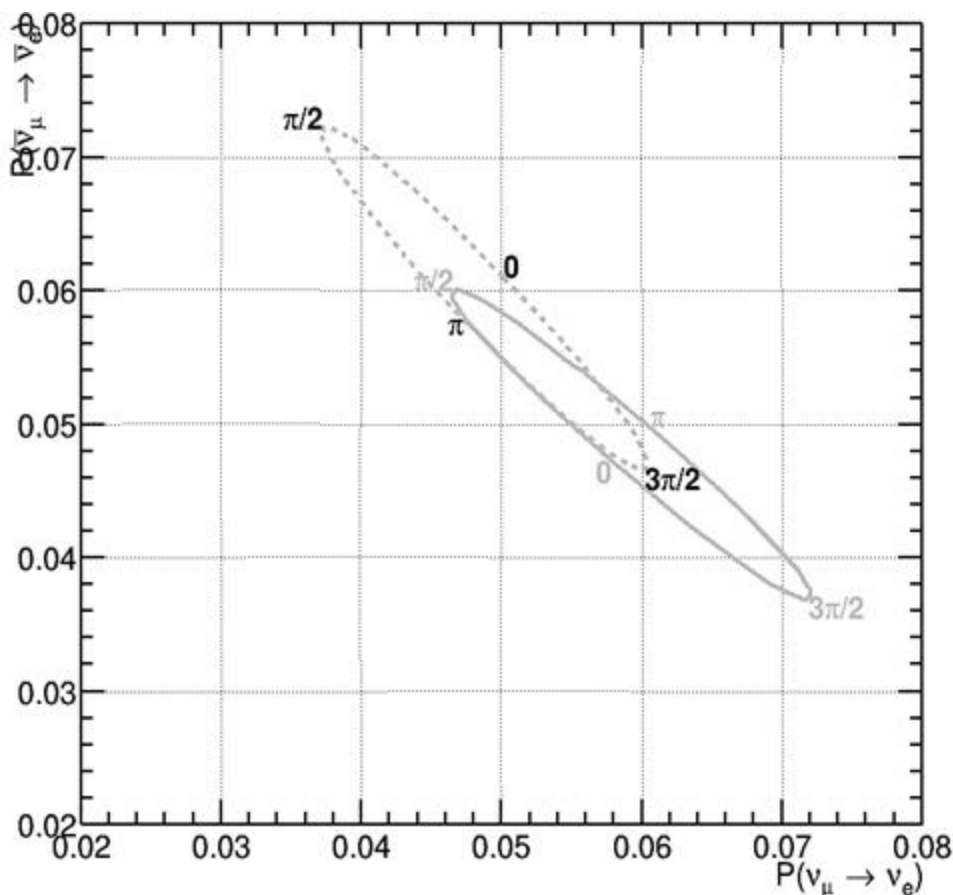
- And $\bar{\nu}_e$ aren't even shown...

Eye not good at following detail.
Brain can't retain information.

Goal: Present this info in an
(more) accessible way...

From T2HK/K white paper: Figure 8 (top)

Beloved of theorists, and FNAL people, but pretty much ignored by T2K (to date...)

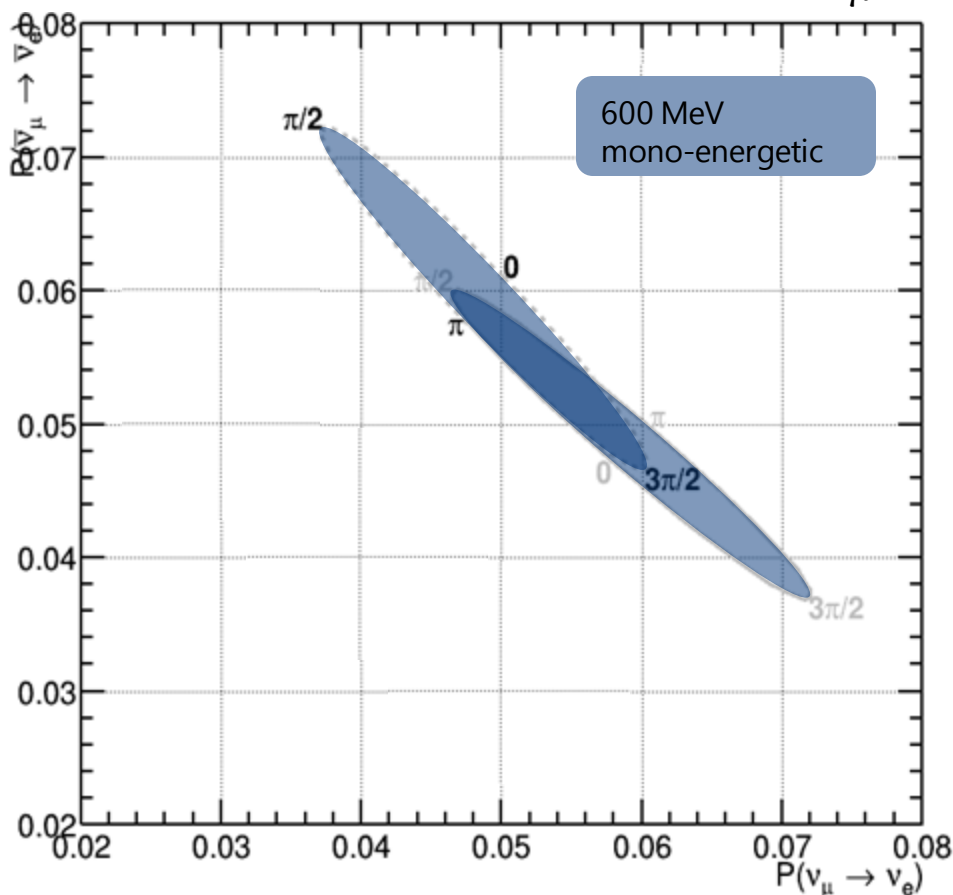


$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx T_{\theta\theta} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \frac{\sin^2([1-A]\Delta)}{[1-A]^2} + T_{\alpha\alpha} \alpha^2 \frac{\sin^2(A\Delta)}{A^2} + T_{\alpha\theta} \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \frac{\sin([1-A]\Delta)}{(1-A)} \frac{\sin(A\Delta)}{A} \cos(\delta + \Delta)$$

Ellipses show the $\nu_e(\bar{\nu}_e)$ appearance probabilities, for everything fixed except δ .

Common to show NH (solid) and IH (dash) on the same plot.

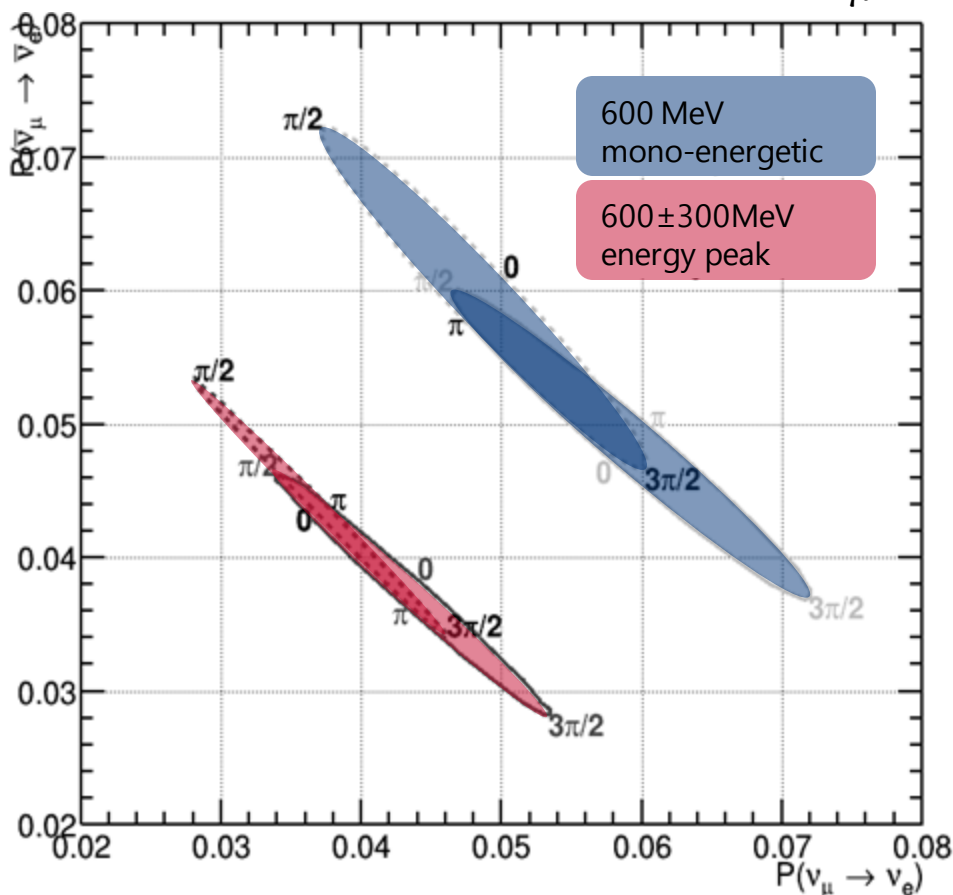
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But **integrating over flux** is not helpful!

- Equivalent to doing a rate-only measurement

Instead try to find 'representative' points either side of the (non-oscillated) peak.

[Note: Retain a small (14MeV) smear to represent energy resolution]



Representing a spectrum with single points

Convert on-axis flux to off-axis assuming π parent:

$$f = [1 + (\gamma\theta)^2]^{-1}$$

$$E(\theta) = f E(0)$$

$$w(\theta) = f^2 w(0)$$

I use three energies:

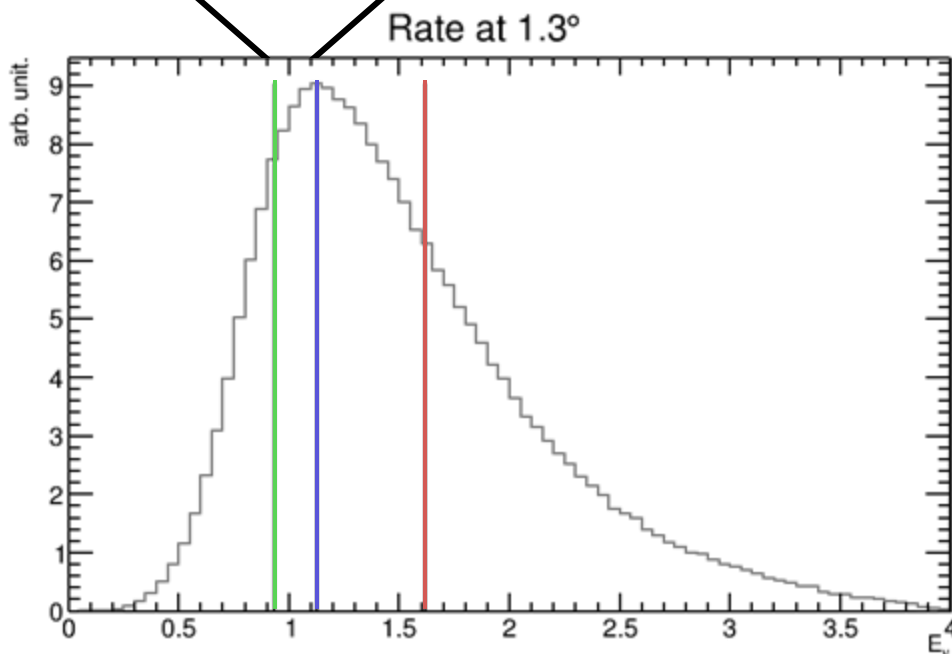
Blue: Energy of peak QE rate

Red: median of high-energy tail

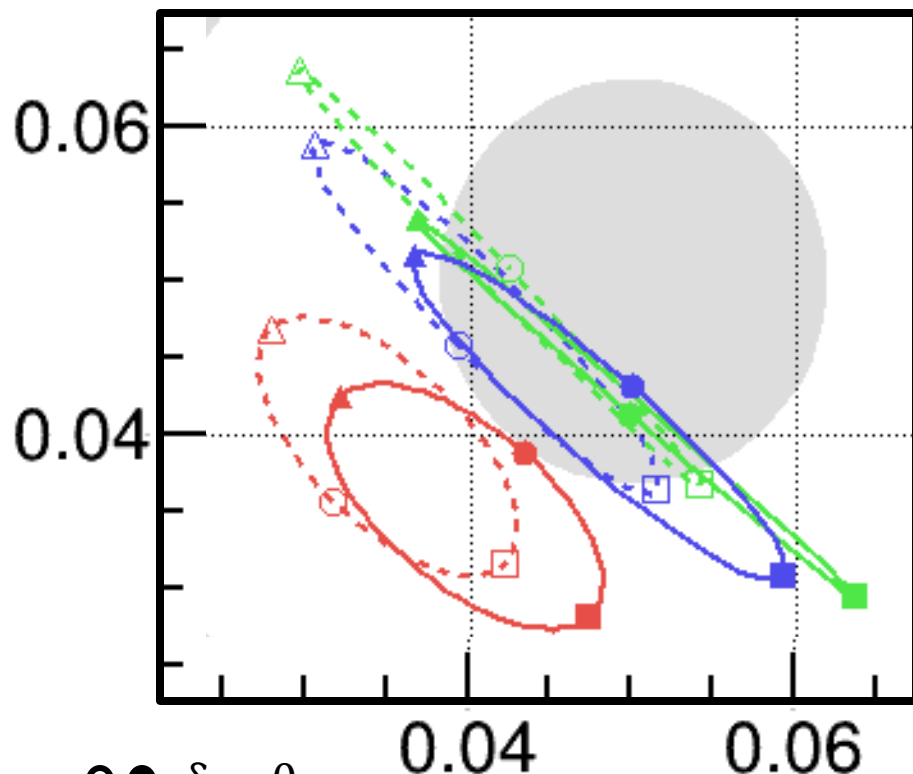
Green: " " low-energy "

Estimate these using a toy MC, which allows for range of angles to be considered.

- "O.A. angle = decay angle" only works for a parallel beam, so add angular smear and tune to existing flux histos.
- Ignores Kaon component, but gives a reasonable metric.



Biprobability plots at Kamioka ($\Phi_{32} = 0.874802$)



○● $\delta = 0$

△▲ $\delta = \pi/2$

— $\delta = \pi$

□■ $\delta = 3\pi/2$ (T2K b.f.)

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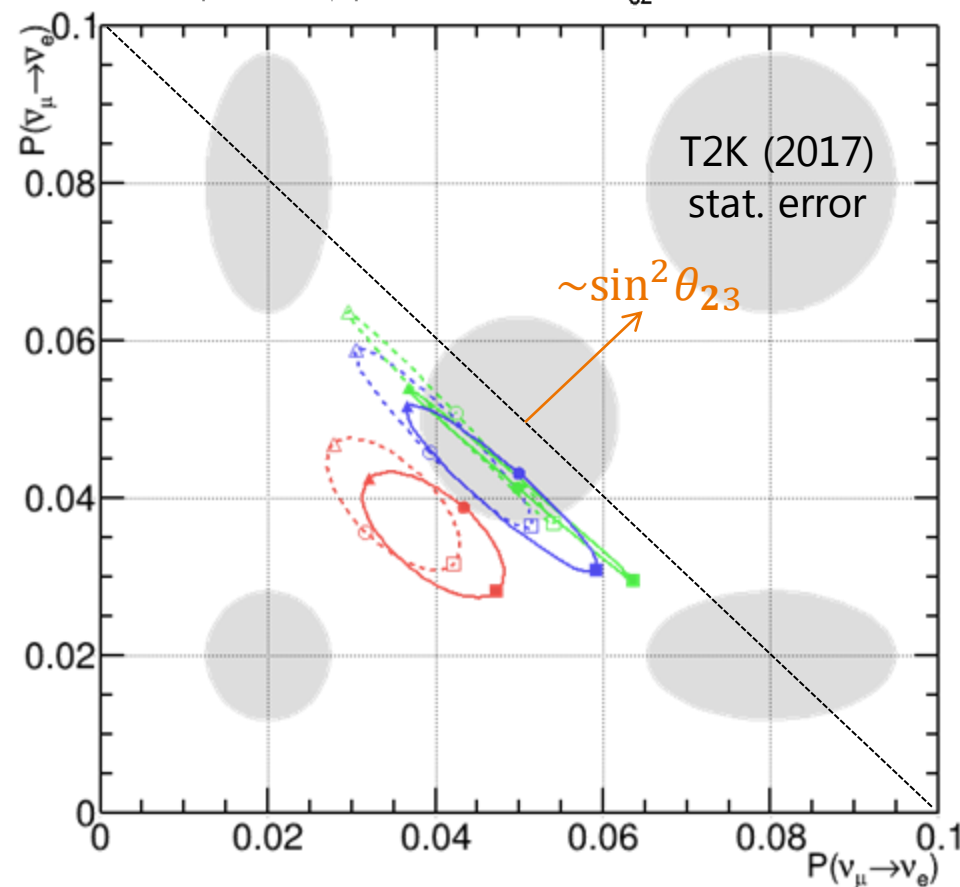
Filled grey ellipses are rough calculations of stat error (to be compared to **peak ellipse**).

Taken from white paper Tab. II, and extrapolated for O.A. angle and baseline.

Summary of L/E:

$$\Phi_{32} = \frac{1.267 \Delta m_{32}^2 L}{(\pi/2) E_p}$$

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Most important is the $\mu - \tau$ mixing (θ_{23})

- Scale (1st term) set by $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$
- Also affects size of ellipse through $\sim \sin 2\theta_{23}$

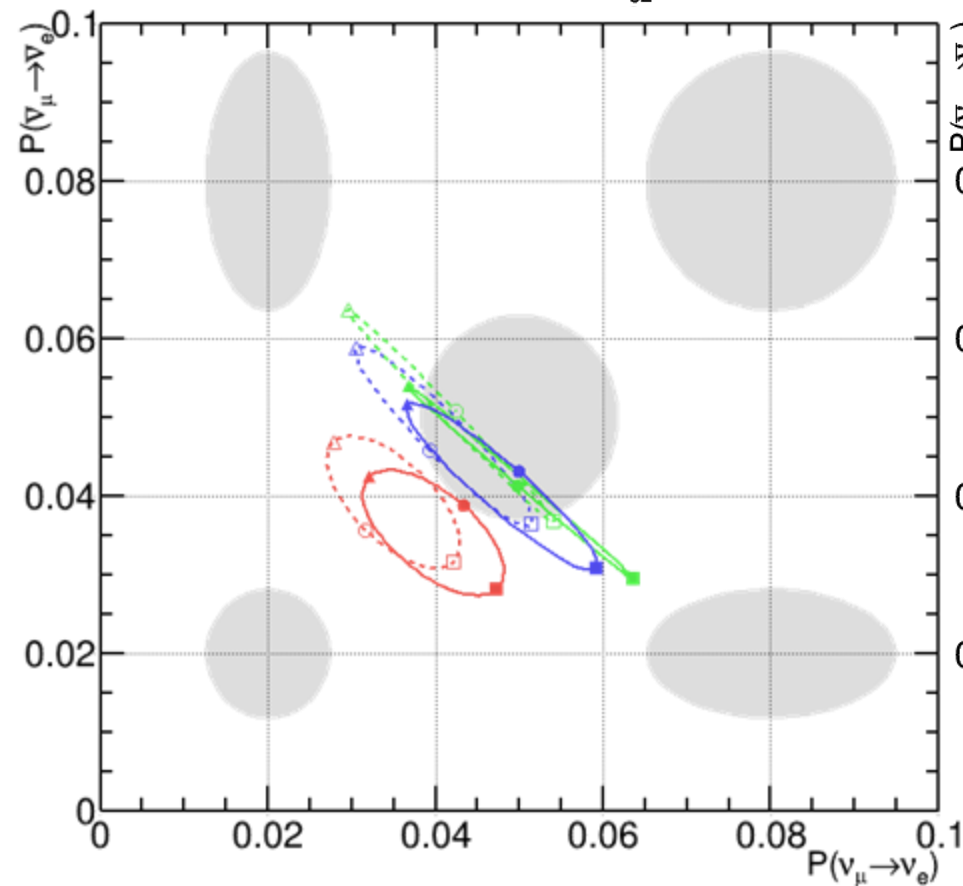
For Korean detector, Δm_{3x}^2 will be interesting too...

Uniform density assumed

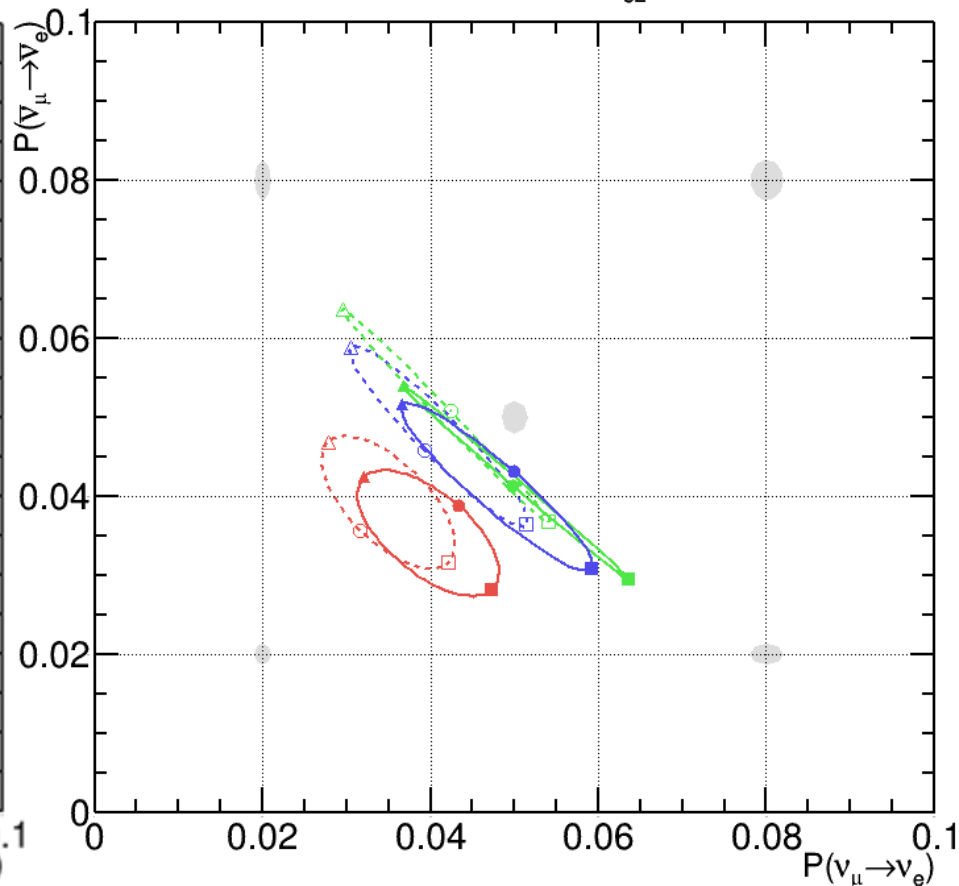
- 2.6 g/c.c. for Kamioka
- 2.9 g/c.c. for all Korean sites

Other parameter uncertainties are smaller.

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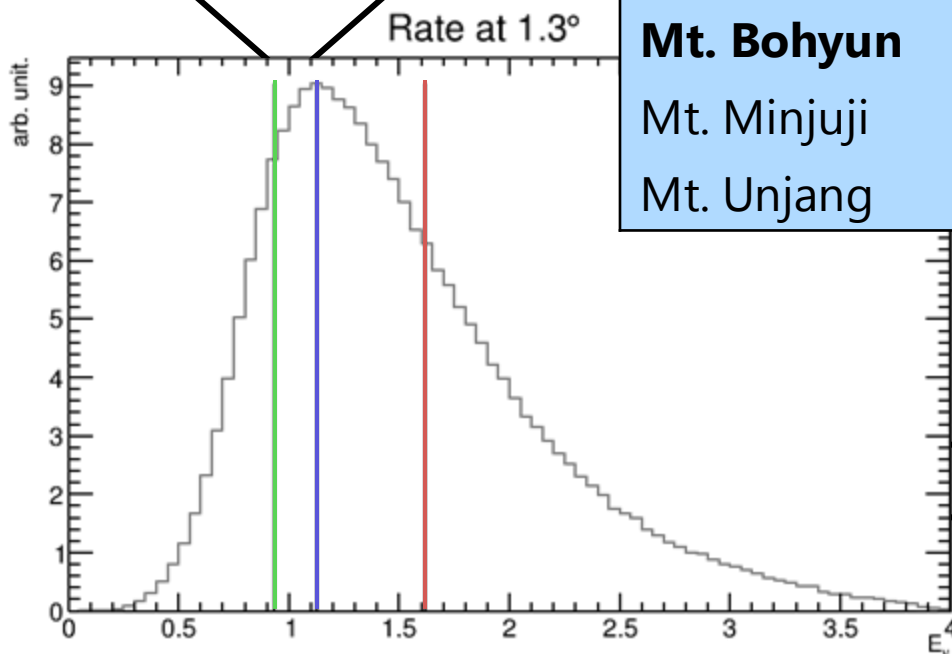


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Site	Distance /km	Angle	LM /MeV	Peak /MeV	UM /MeV
Kamioka	295	2.5°	590	680	840
Mt. Bisul	1088	1.3°	930	1130	1620
Mt. Hwangmae	1140	1.8°	740	870	1180
Mt. Sambong	1180	1.9°	710	830	1110
Mt. Bohyun	1040	2.2°	640	730	950
Mt. Minjuji	1140	2.2°	640	730	950
Mt. Unjang	1190	2.2°	640	730	950

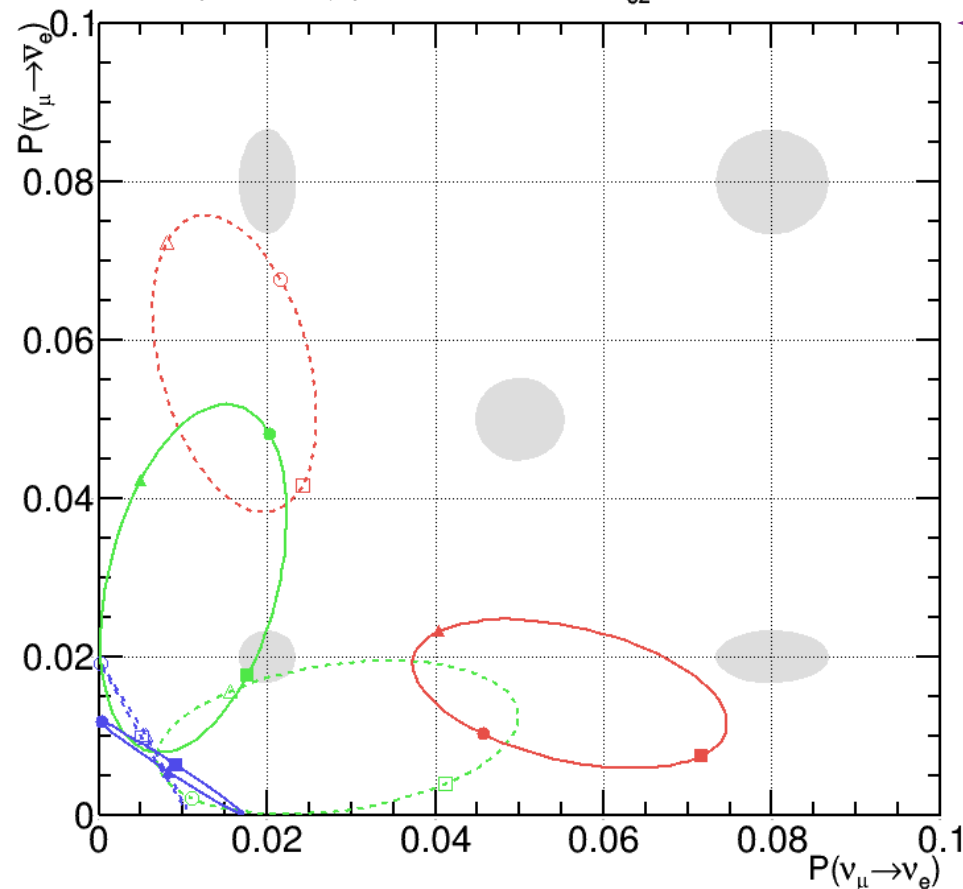
$$\text{Peak Energy /GeV} = 1.25\theta^{-1} + 0.17$$

$$\text{Lower Median /GeV} = 0.95\theta^{-1} + 0.21$$

$$\text{Upper Median /GeV} = 2.17\theta^{-1} + 0.03$$

Energy /MeV **930** **1130** **1620**

Biprobability plots at Mt. Bisul ($\Phi_{32} = 1.941544$)

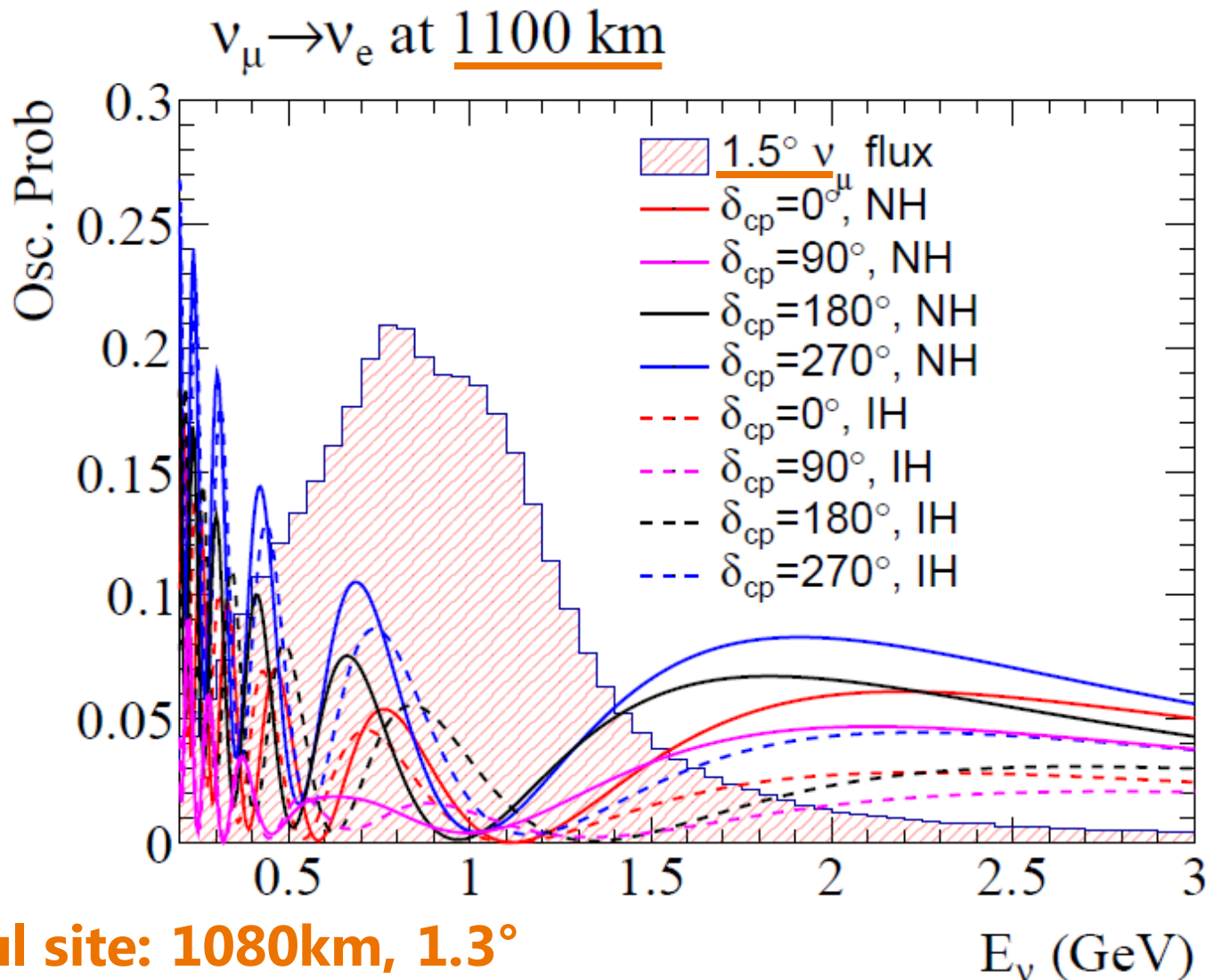


This is the high energy option.

ポイント! [Points]

- Good separation between hierarchies especially at **high-energy**
- $\Phi_{32} \sim 2$ means very little appearance at **flux peak**. Instead most effect is in "tail" regions.
- **Stats** are quite good because of small OA angle.
- Inversion of Hierarchy enhancement for **low-energy** events

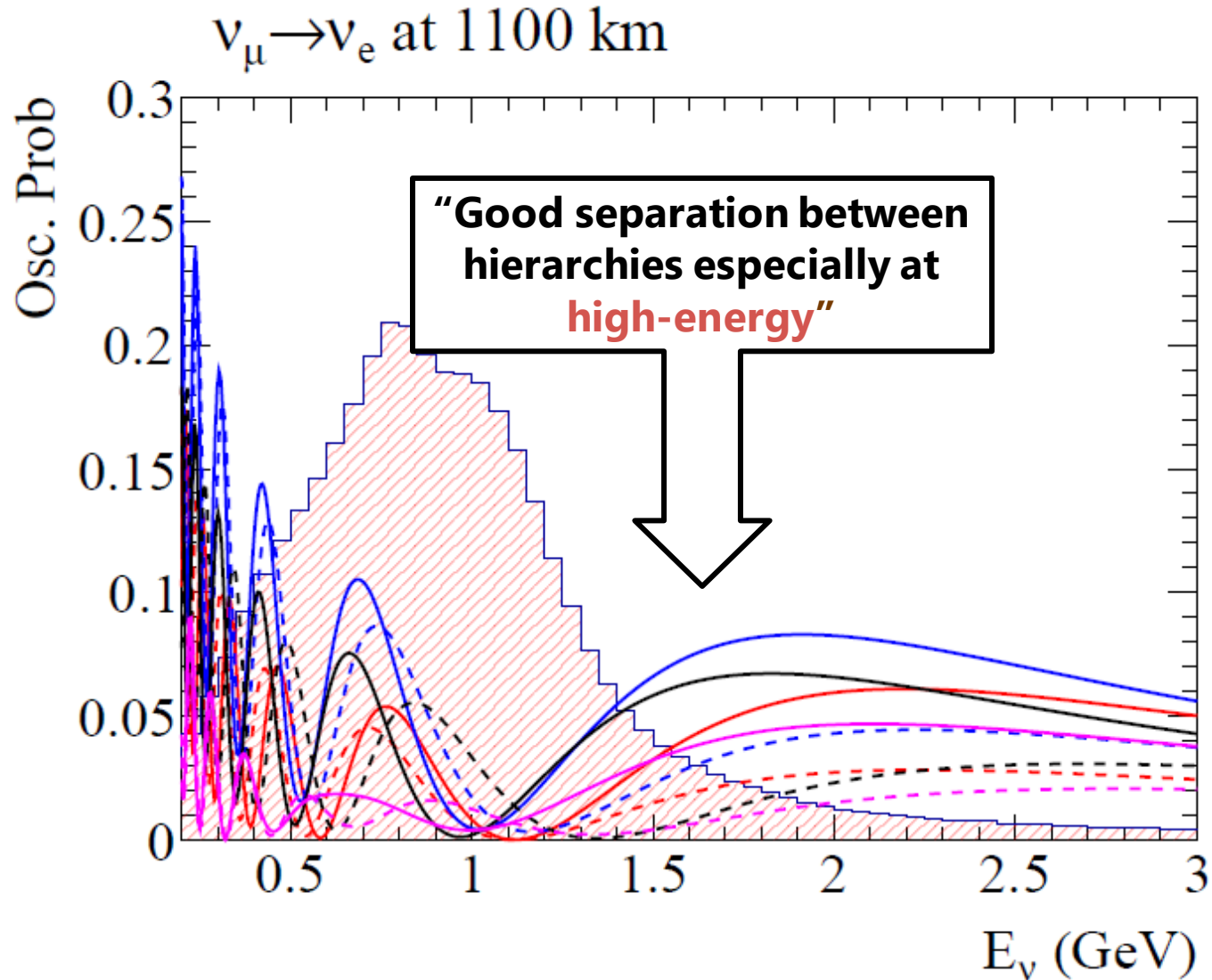
Referring back to the energy picture



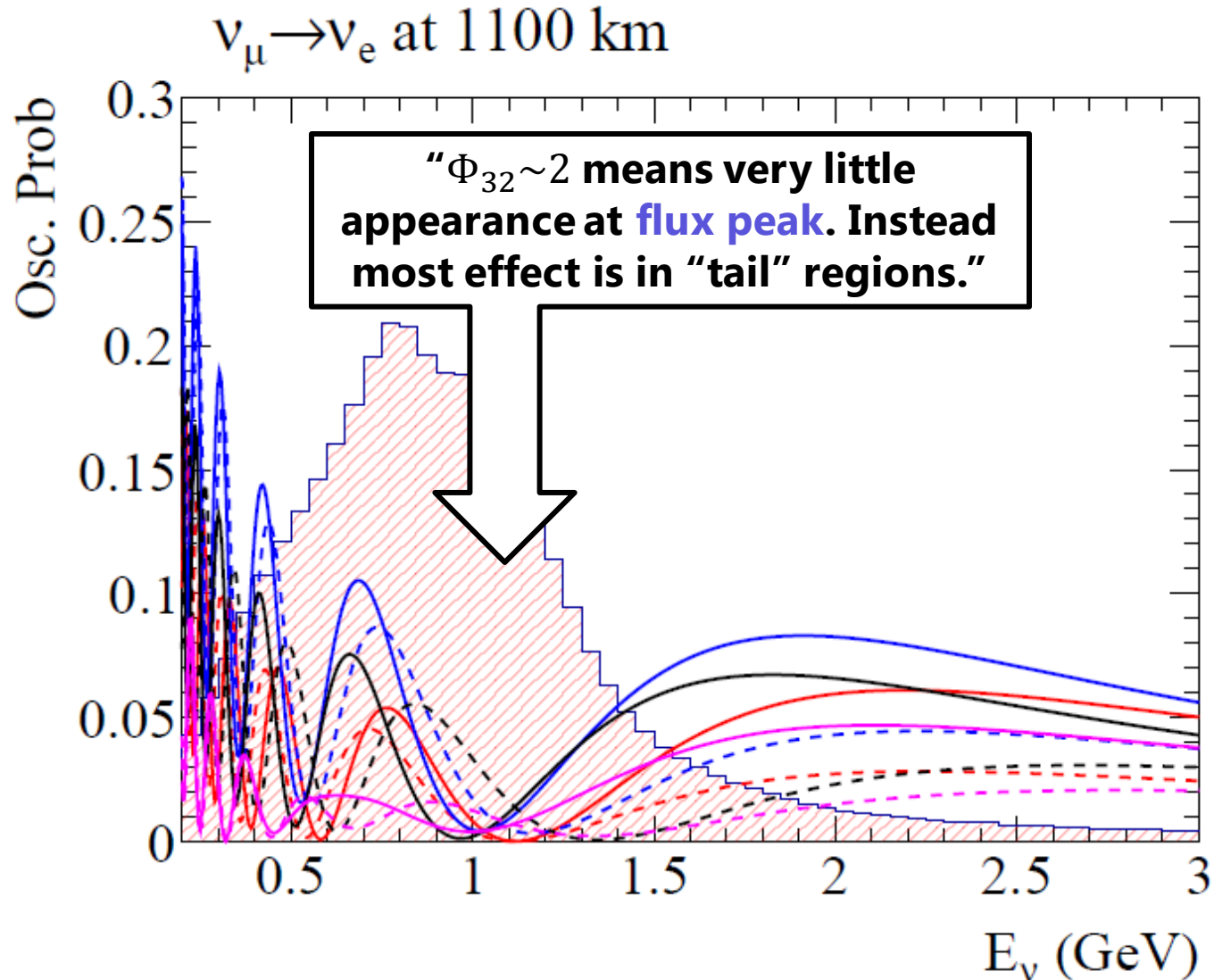
c.f. Bisul site: 1080km, 1.3°

White Paper: Figure 8 (top)

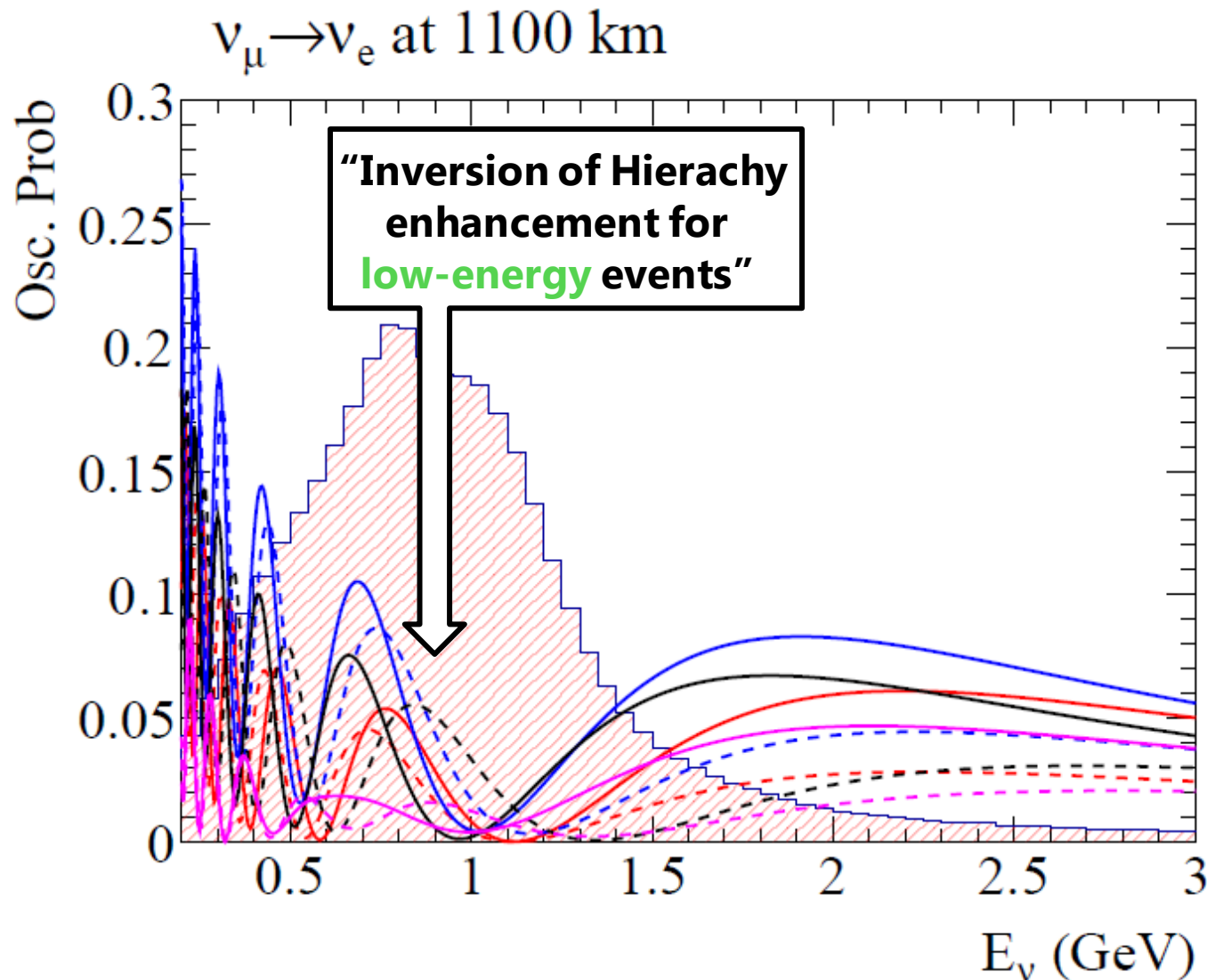
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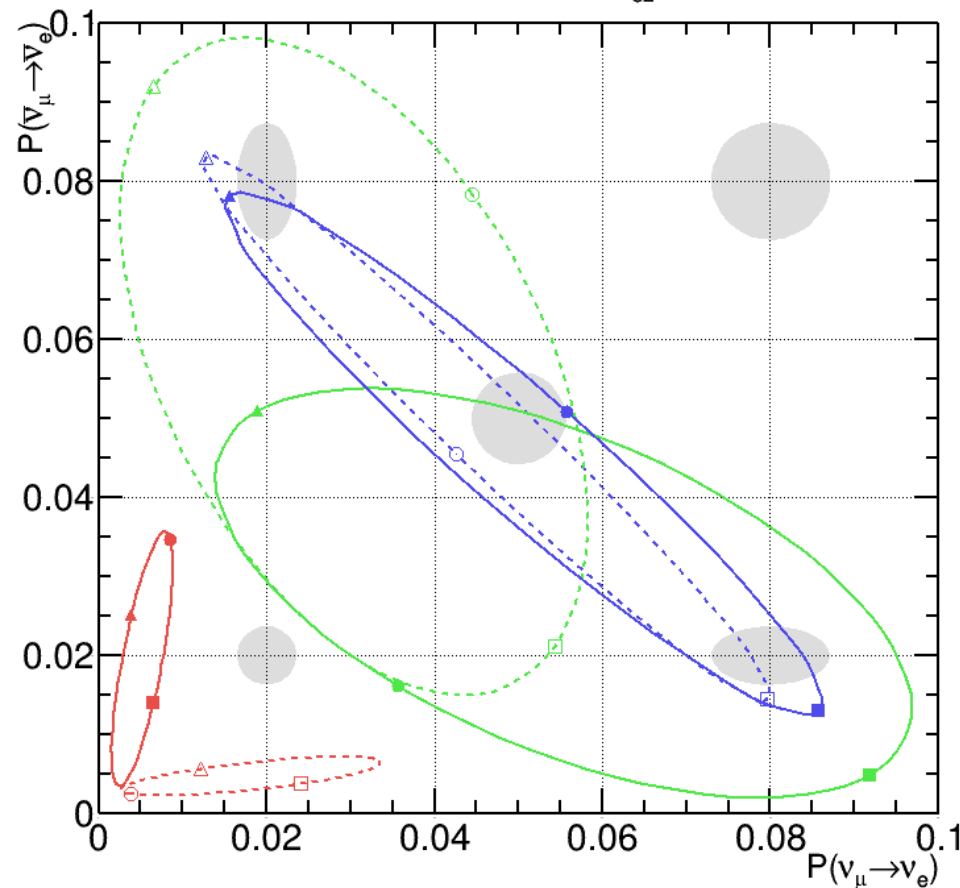


The energy picture



Energy /MeV **640** **730** **950**

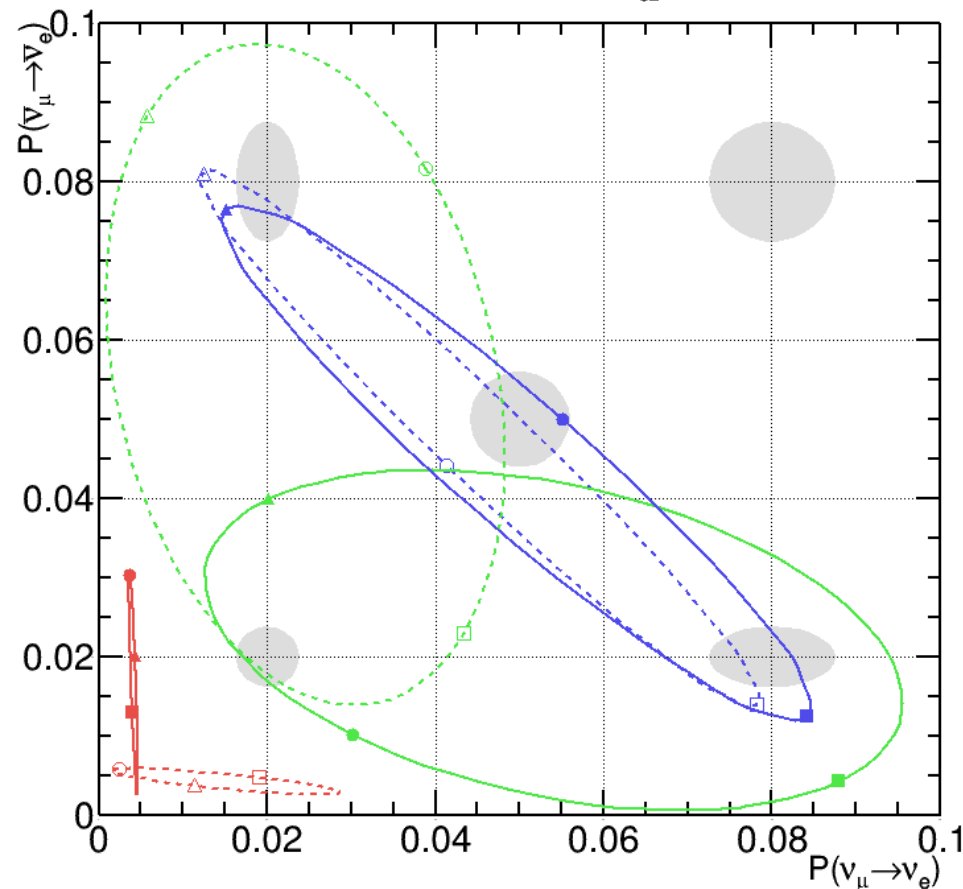
Biprobability plots at Mt. Bohyun ($\Phi_{32}=2.872812$)



This is the other primary option.

- At **flux peak** hierarchy almost doesn't matter for CPv (but note CPc difference)
- **Stats** are a bit worse than at Bisul
- Large ellipses = Large CPv effect. Therefore can make good measurement even though larger stat errors.
- 'Fat' ellipses = better at $\cos \delta$ (precision on δ near CPv-max) especially at **low-energy**

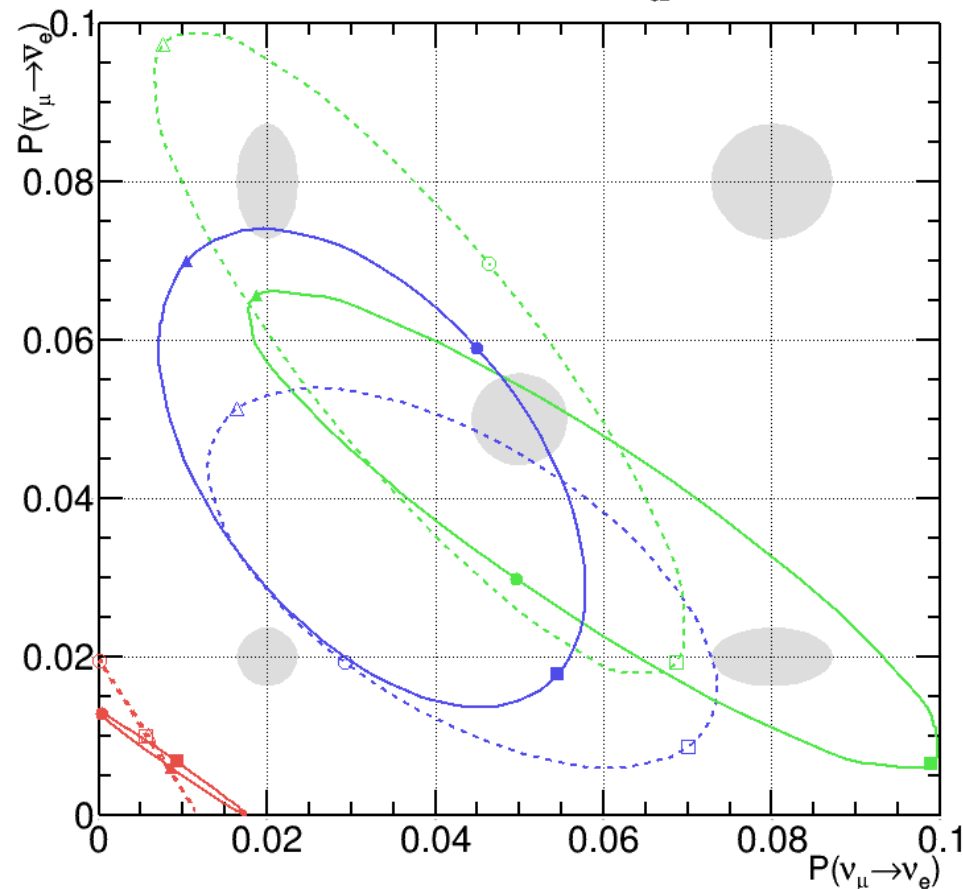
Energy /MeV **710** **830** **1110**

 Biprobability plots at Mt. Sambong ($\Phi_{32} = 2.866822$)


Alternative at 1180km & 1.9°

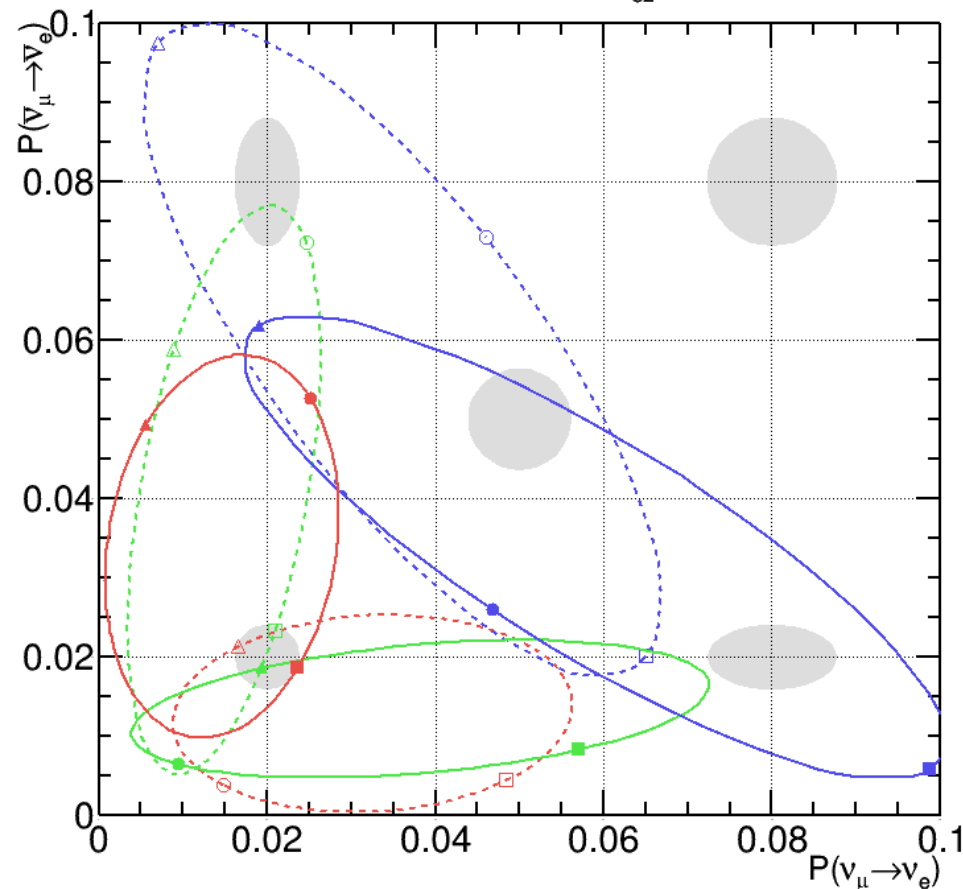
- Baseline and energy are both slightly higher, but L/E matches Bohyun very closely:
 $\Phi_{32}(\text{Sambong}) = 2.866$
 $\Phi_{32}(\text{Bohyun}) = 2.878$
 As a result, site is overall very similar to Bohyun site.
- Interesting effect for **HE** events. $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ is almost independent of δ for NH (& similarly for $\bar{\nu}_e$ in IH)

Energy /MeV **740** **870** **1180**

 Biprobability plots at Mt. Hwangmae ($\Phi_{32}=2.642301$)

 Alternative at 1140km & 1.8°

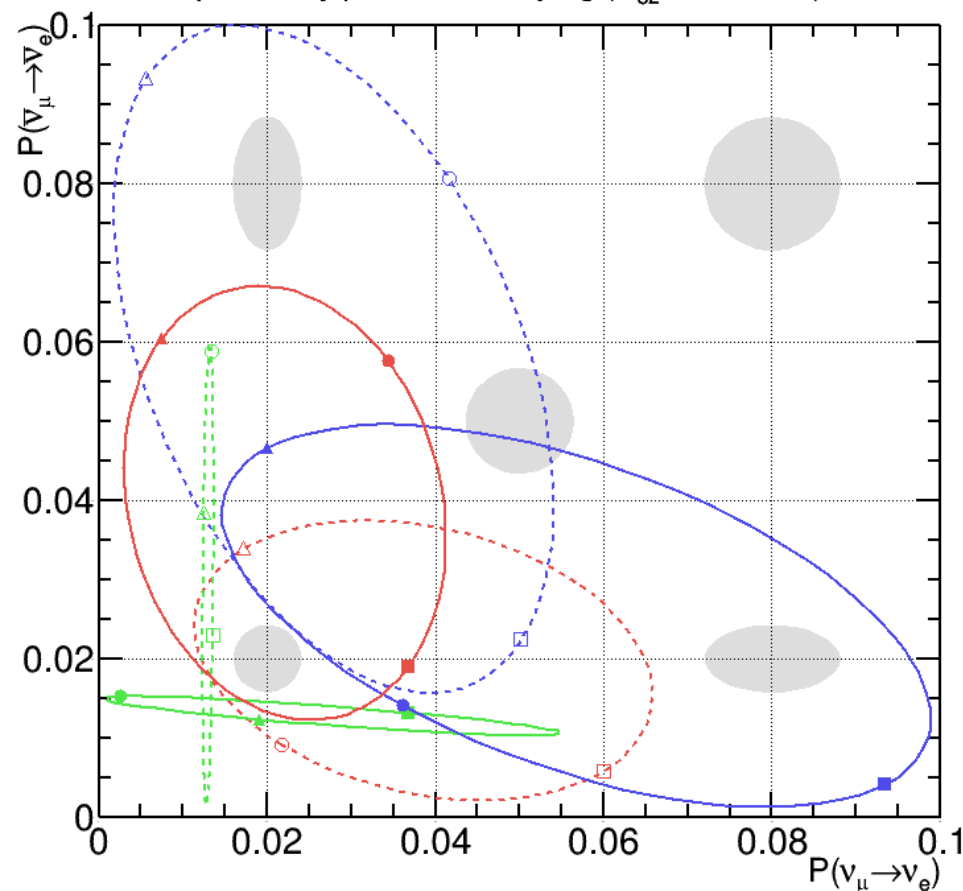
- Overall somewhat similar to Bohyun and Sambong sites (e.g. in the dominance of **peak** and **LE** tails). Difference due to slightly lower L/E
- **HE** events have $\Phi_{32} \sim 1.94$ (similar to Bisul peak). As with that case, there is interesting dependence on δ : almost identical probs from $\pi/2$ and $3\pi/2$. But its hard to make use of due to low rate.

Energy /MeV **640** **730** **950**

 Biprobability plots at Mt. Minjuji ($\Phi_{32} = 3.149044$)

 Alternative at 1140km & 2.2°

- Highest appearance probability for events **near peak** (*assuming* T2K best fit point)
- Lots of orientation difference between ellipses. Maybe this makes it more robust to θ_{23} &/or systematic uncertainties?
Interesting question to study...

Energy /MeV **640** **730** **950**

 Biprobability plots at Mt. Unjang ($\Phi_{32} = 3.287160$)


Alternative at 1190km & 2.2°

- Most distant site (most Reno-50 like) **LE** events are almost at 4th node! (aka 2nd min)
- 'Fat' ellipses may be good for measurement of δ
- Largest range of L/E (High oscillation order can beat wide spectrum.)
 - But note caveat about Kaon contribution.
 - And need to consider energy resolution.

Commentary: Things we knew already

Feature space is *very* different from existing experiments.

- Potential for resolving degeneracies and robustness against systematics (but does need to be demonstrated.)

Larger CP ellipses & larger stat errors roughly compensate. But systematic uncertainties should be less important.

Mt Bisul should be strongest for unambiguous hierarchy determination.

- It has the smallest L/E (except Kamioka) which reduces 'true' CPv
- OTOH it has higher energy than Kamioka, enhancing matter effect

Other options look better for CPv & measurement of δ , but it is difficult to intuit. Variation in stats is surprisingly unimportant.

Commentary: Things I didn't know

(LBL- ν) physics at Mt Sambong and Mt Bohyun is very similar.

- (Guess) preference for Bohyun, due to smaller L , and 2.2° angle.

For *any* Korean baseline, matter effect causes a relative enhancement of *anti*-neutrinos for NH at some energy.

- Nice 'non-trivial' dependence if we can resolve it.
- Closure test of matter-enhanced oscillations?

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If T2K is correct (NH & $\delta \sim 3\pi/2$), a longer baseline (Mt. Minjuji, Unjang) and anti-neutrino running looks like promising approach for measuring δ near $3\pi/2$

- Again, needs more careful study, especially of constraints from ν_μ channel (i.e. parameters θ_{23} , Δm_{3x}^2)

Would be interesting to consider even longer (1250km) baseline, but may need to bring our own overburden...



Important point, but maybe I ran out of time?

Δm^2 dependence

Atmospheric mass splitting is much more important for Korean detector. $N^{\text{th}} \text{ max} = (2N-1)^{\text{th}}$ node so:

$$\frac{dE_N}{d(\Delta m^2)} = (2N - 1) \frac{dE_1}{d(\Delta m^2)}$$

Complete analysis must also treat Δm^2 correctly. But I have assumed (value is T2K & PDG 'best fit'): $\Delta m^2 = \Delta m_{32}^2 (= 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2)$

In reality "The experiment measures an unresolved mixture of $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$ and $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$, which we refer to as $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$ for brevity."

Expansion of vacuum terms gives (T2K note):

$$\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^2 = \frac{|U_{\mu 2}|^2 \Delta m_{32}^2 + |U_{\mu 1}|^2 \Delta m_{31}^2}{|U_{\mu 1}|^2 + |U_{\mu 2}|^2}$$

Justify ignoring this because **measurement error is still large...**

Δm_{3x}^2 measurement error

T2K Best fit $\sim$ PDG average = $2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$

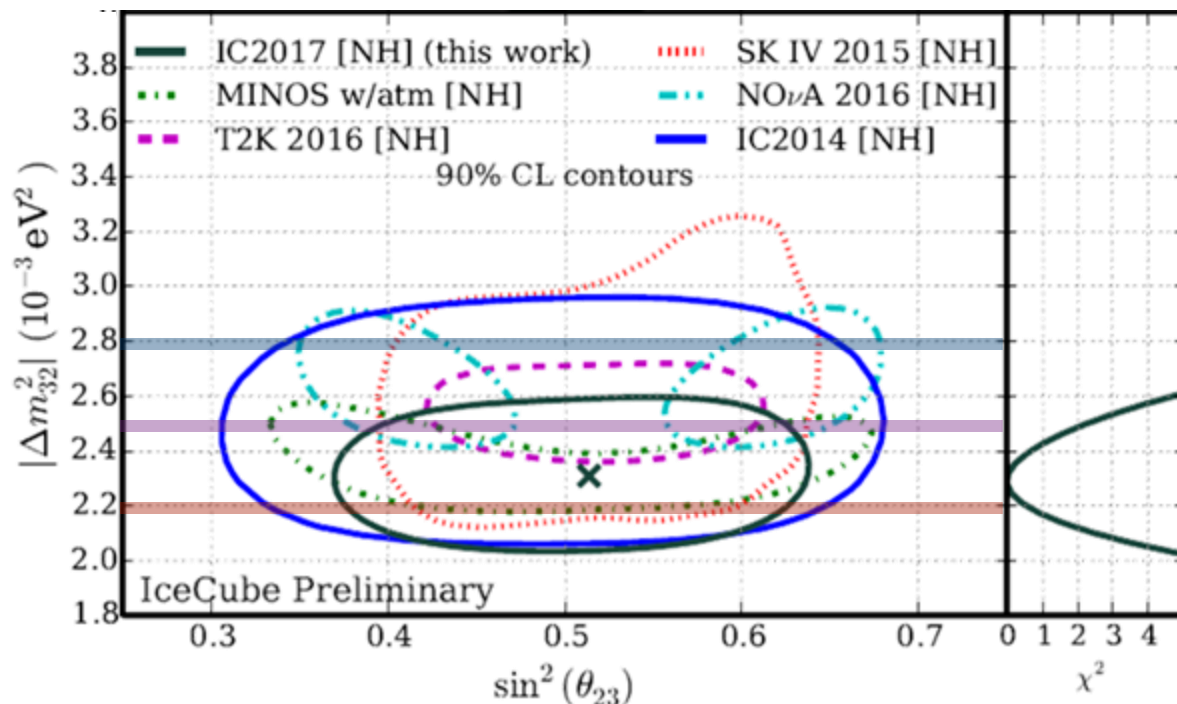
3 sigma range (2015 global fit) extends around $2.18 \sim 2.82 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$
[rough, eliding definition changes for NH/IH]

Choose **Lower at $2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$** (MINOS, IceCube consistent)

and **Upper at $2.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$** (NO ν A $\sim$ consistent)

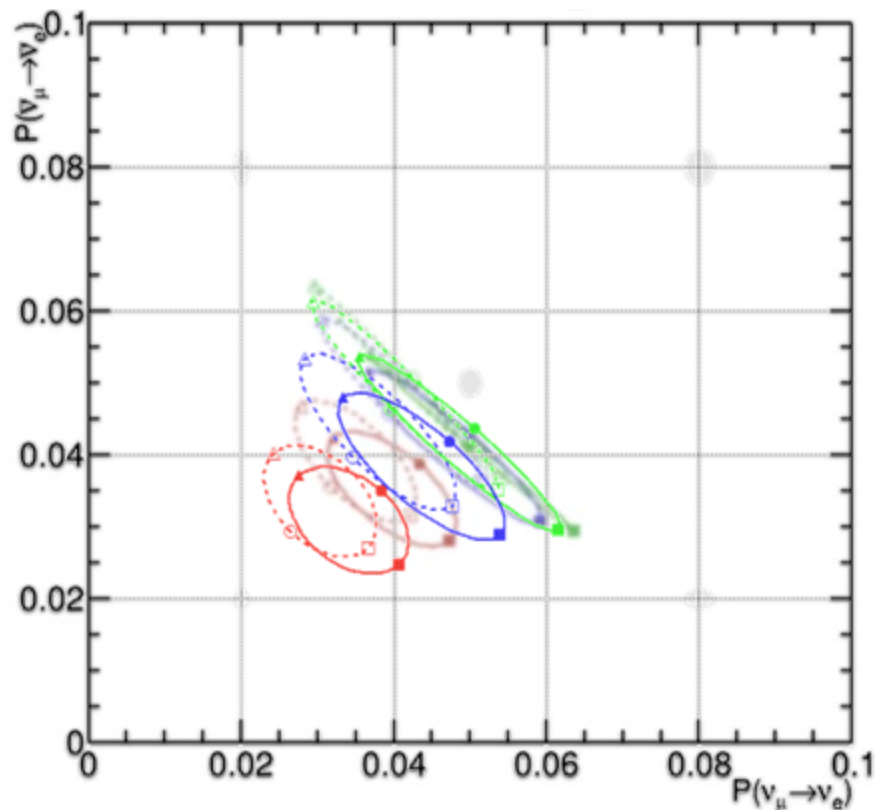
In retrospect, closer test points would be better

Not because points are low probability, but that effect is too large to visualise the transition paths!

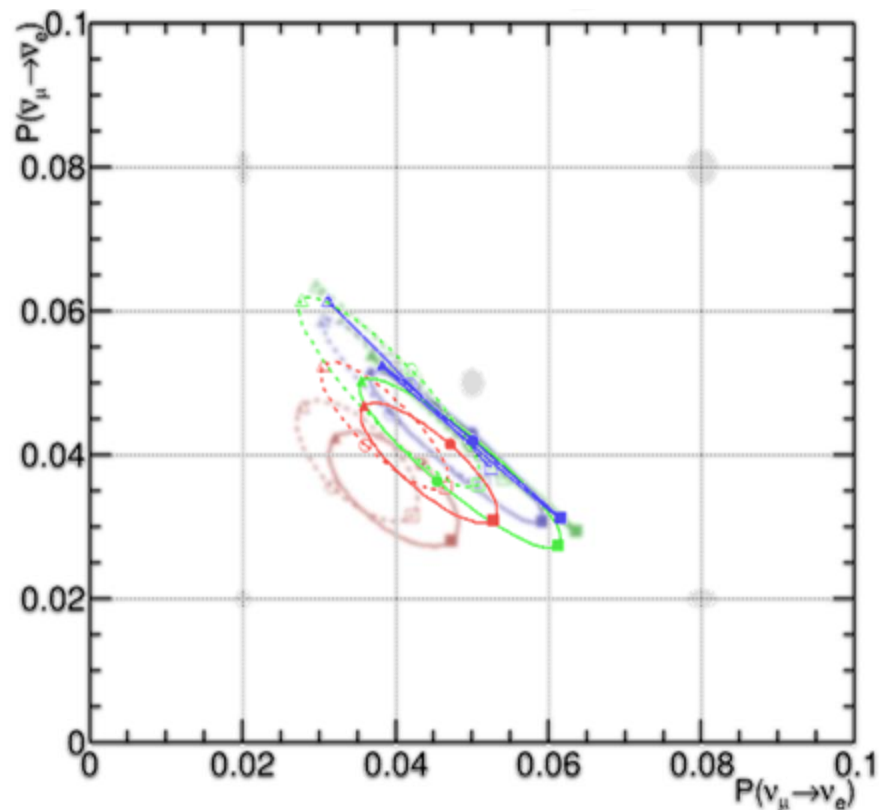


Δm_{32}^2 shifts at Kamioka

$$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$$



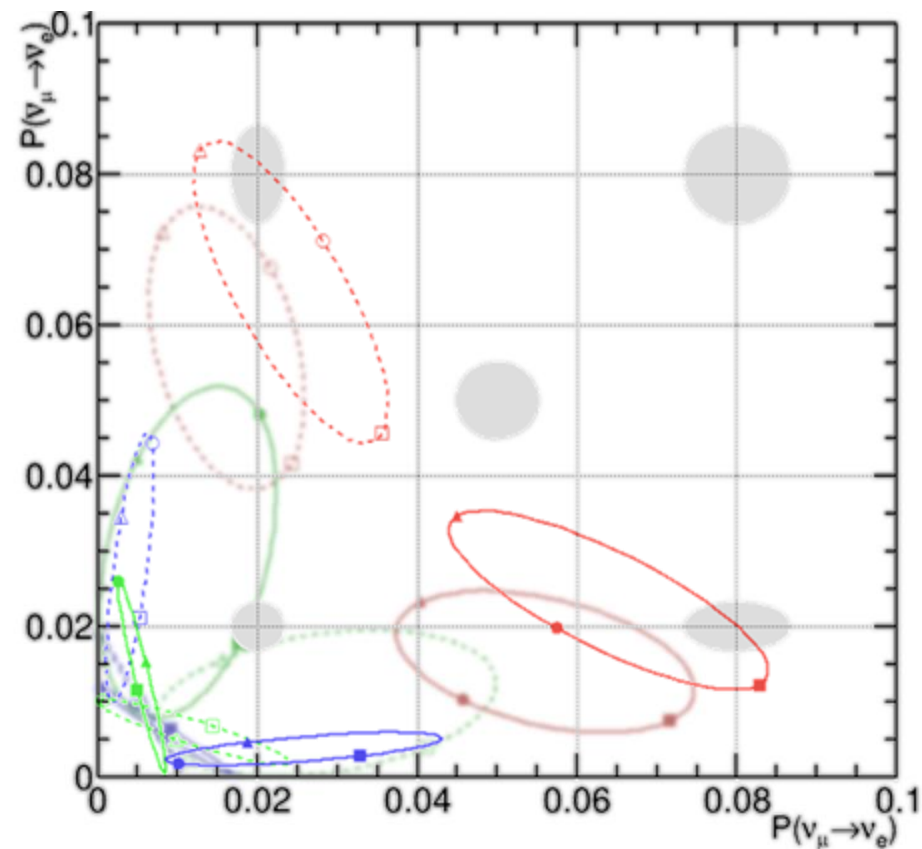
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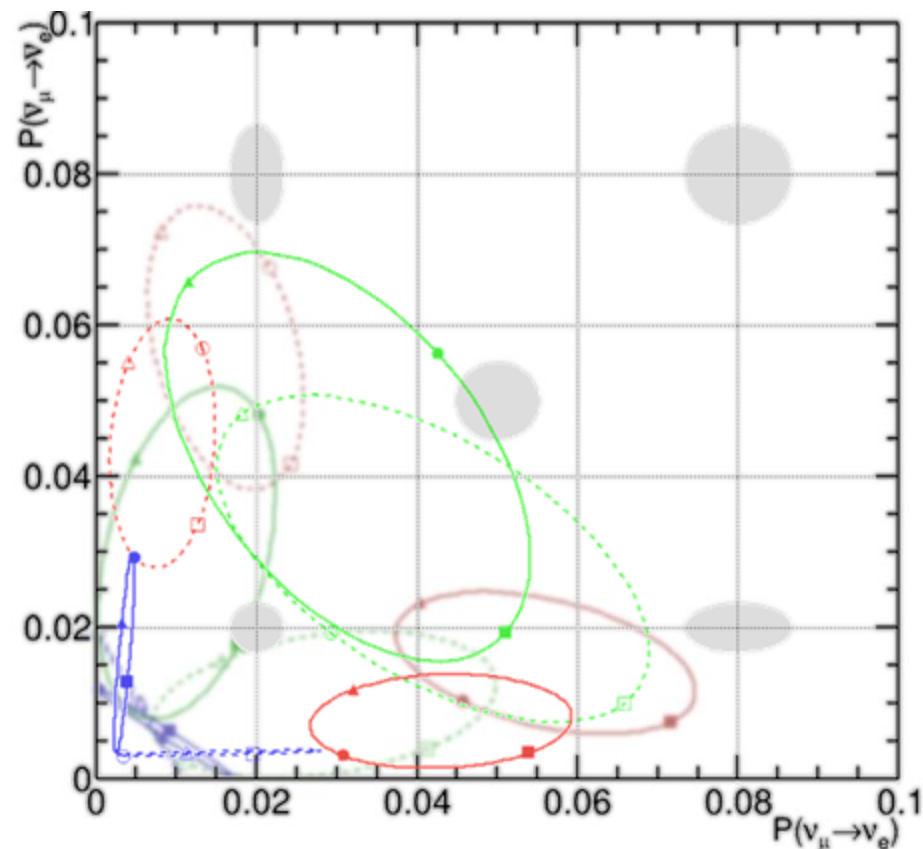
[Side note: Hakama-goshi site has same leading-order effect: $1.1 \times \Phi_{32}$]

Δm_{32}^2 shifts at Mt. Bisul

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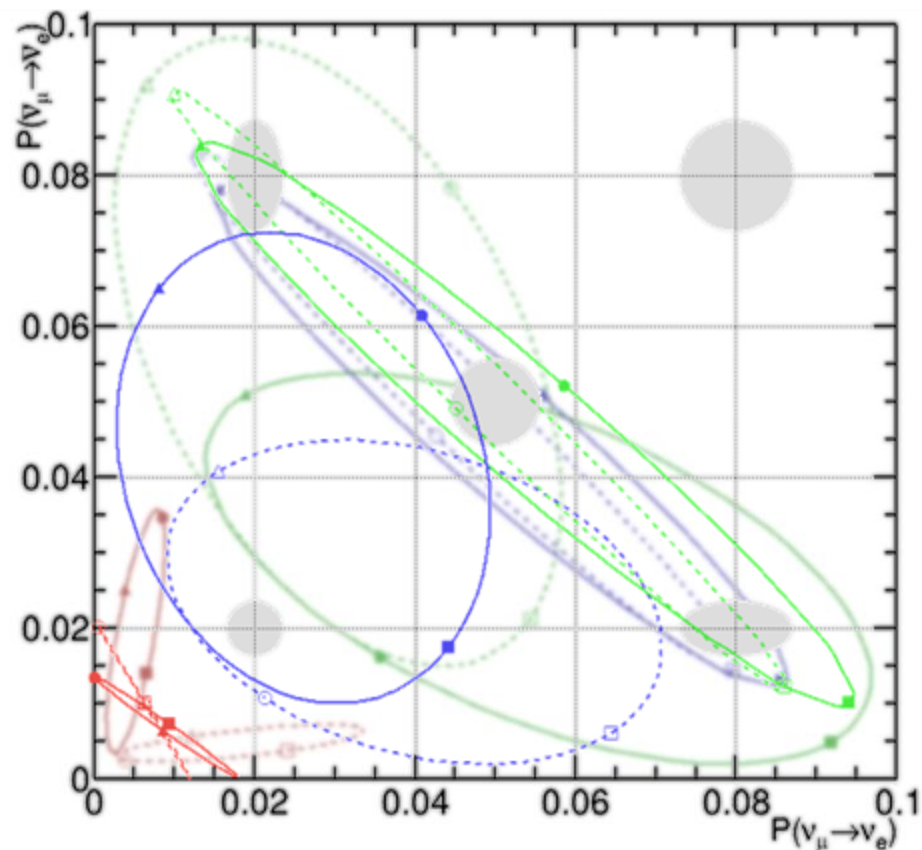


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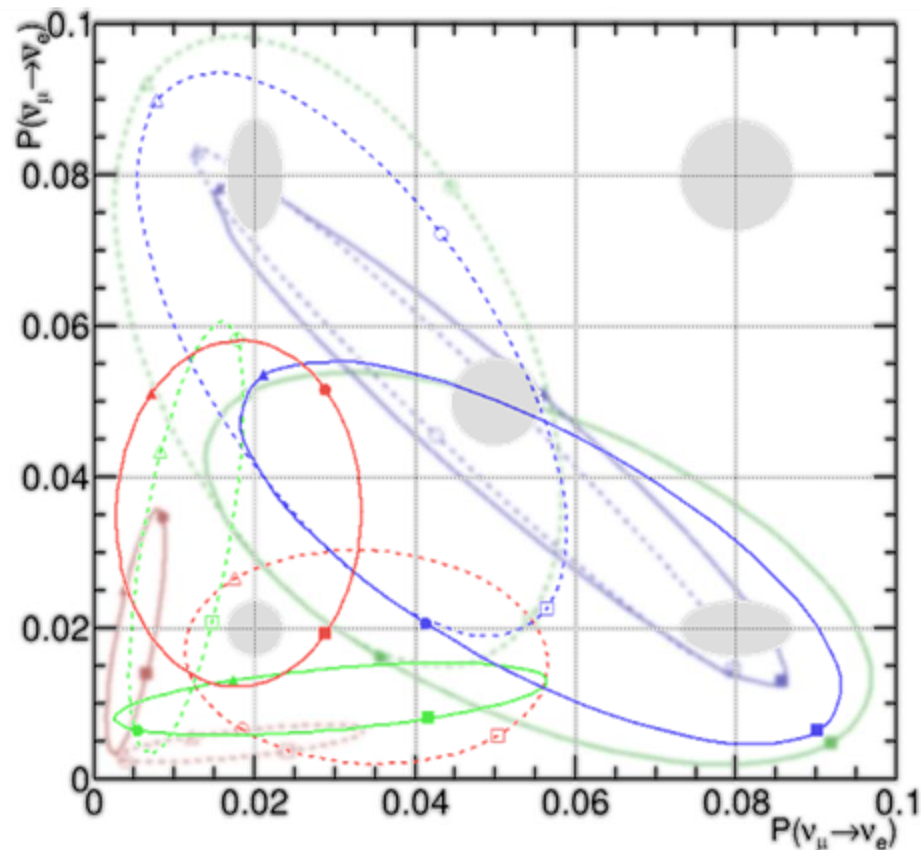


Δm_{32}^2 shifts at Mt. Bohyun

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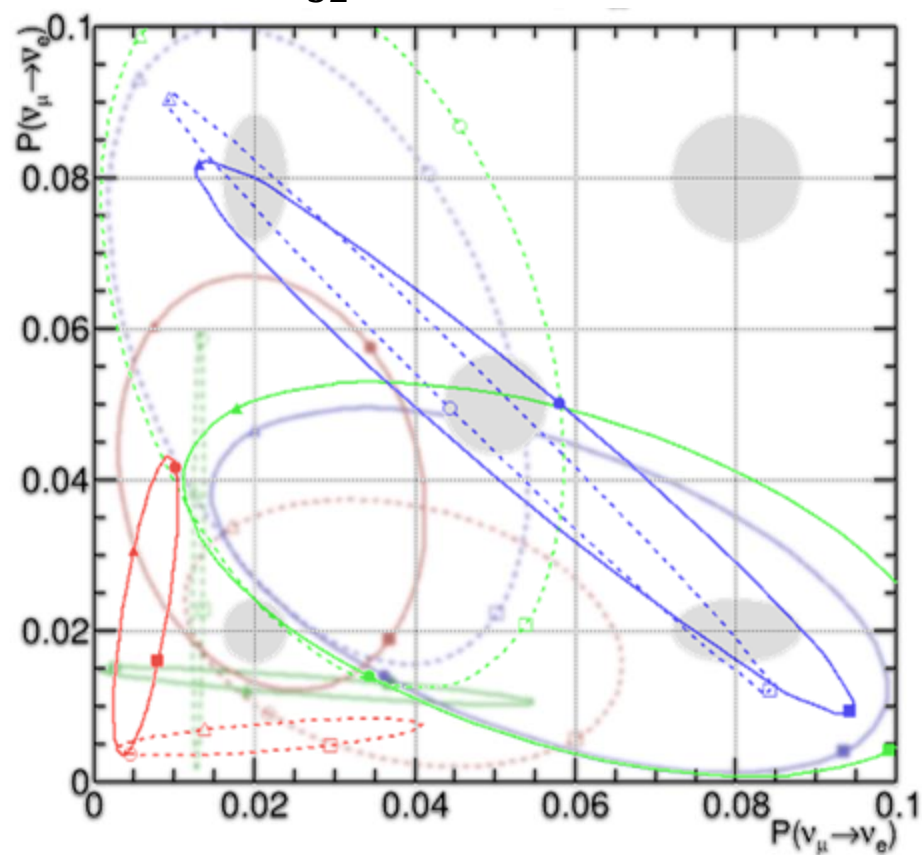


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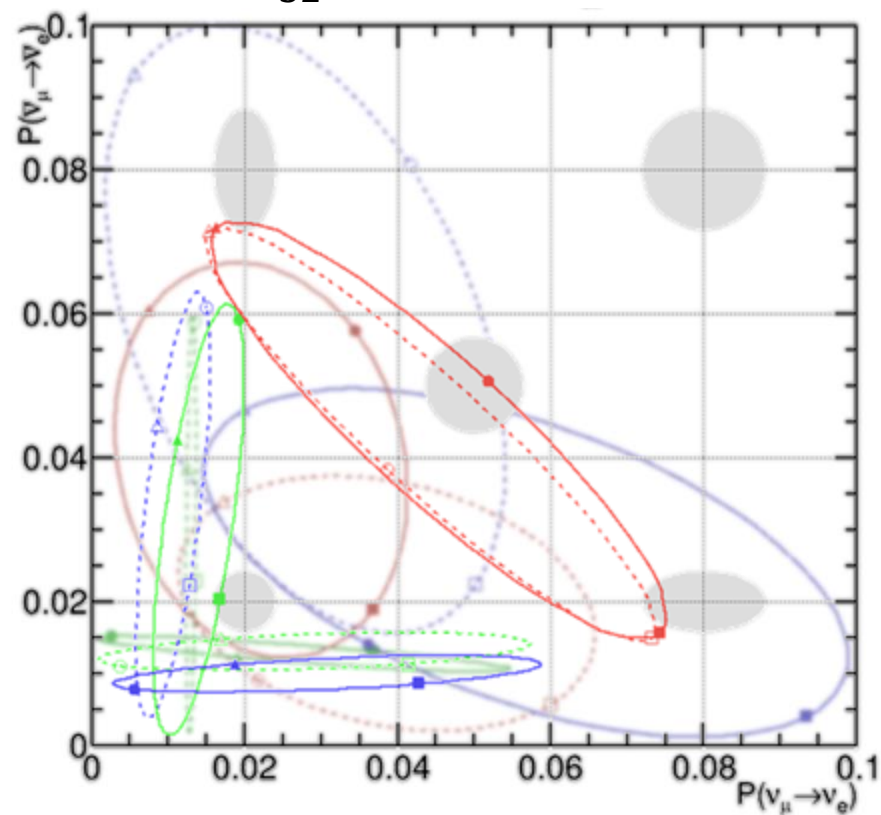


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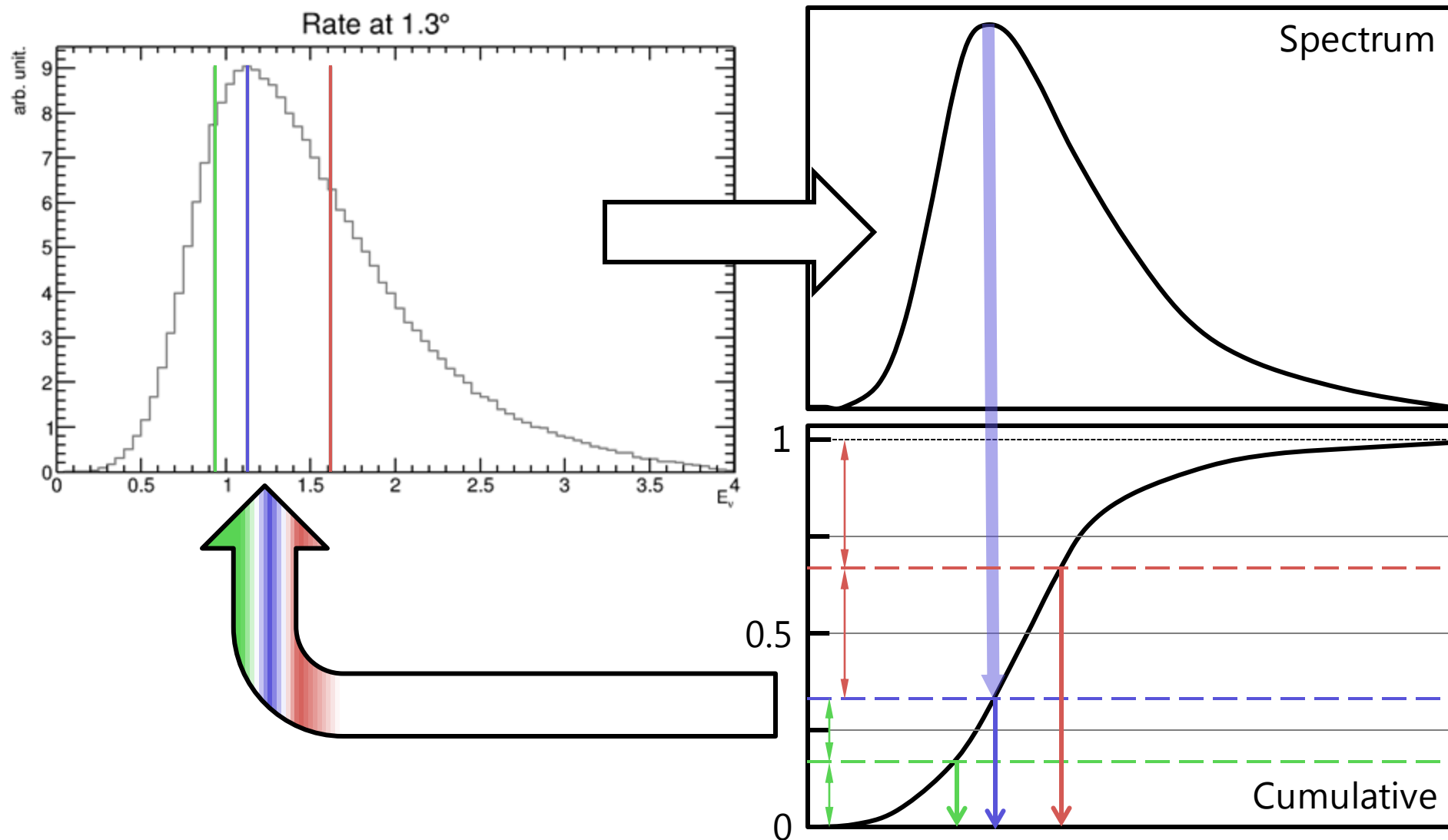
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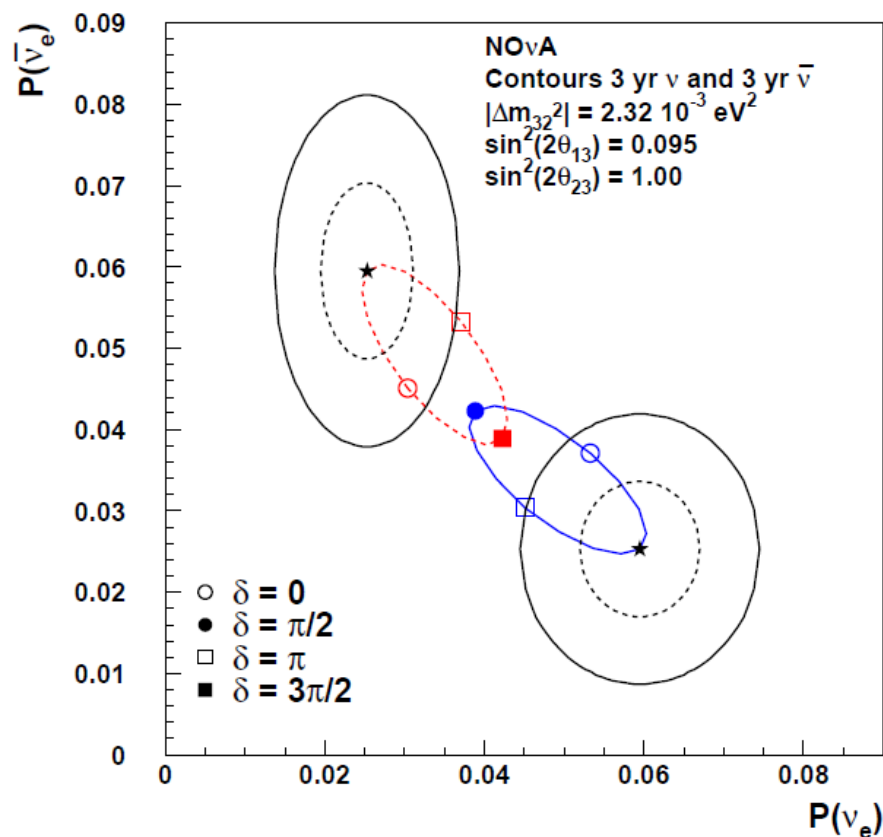


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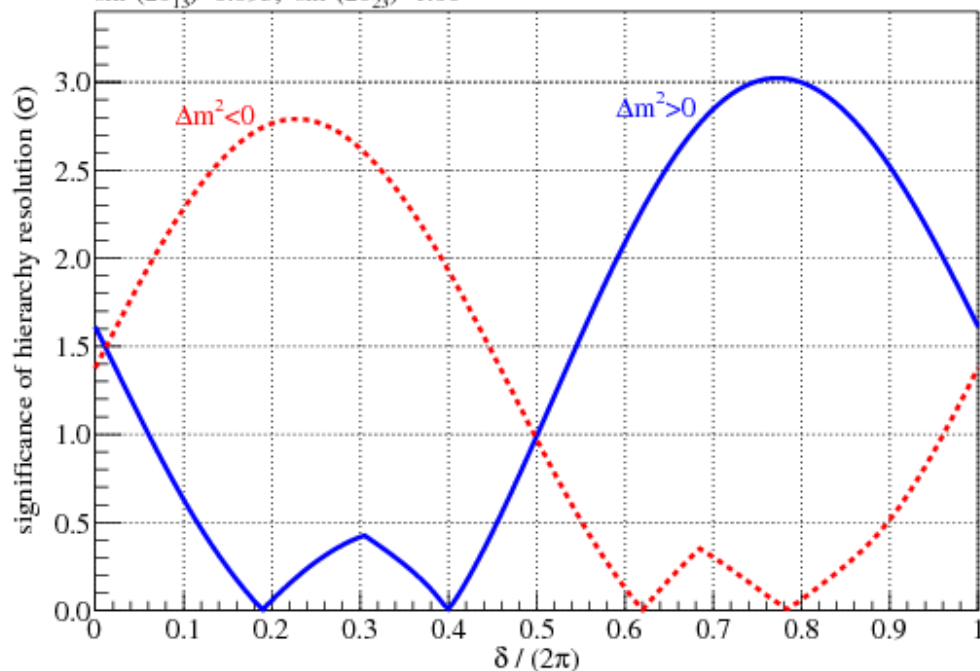
“Tail medians”



1 and 2 σ Contours for Starred Points



NOvA hierarchy resolution, 3+3 yr ($\nu + \bar{\nu}$)
 $\sin^2(2\theta_{13}) = 0.095, \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) = 1.00$



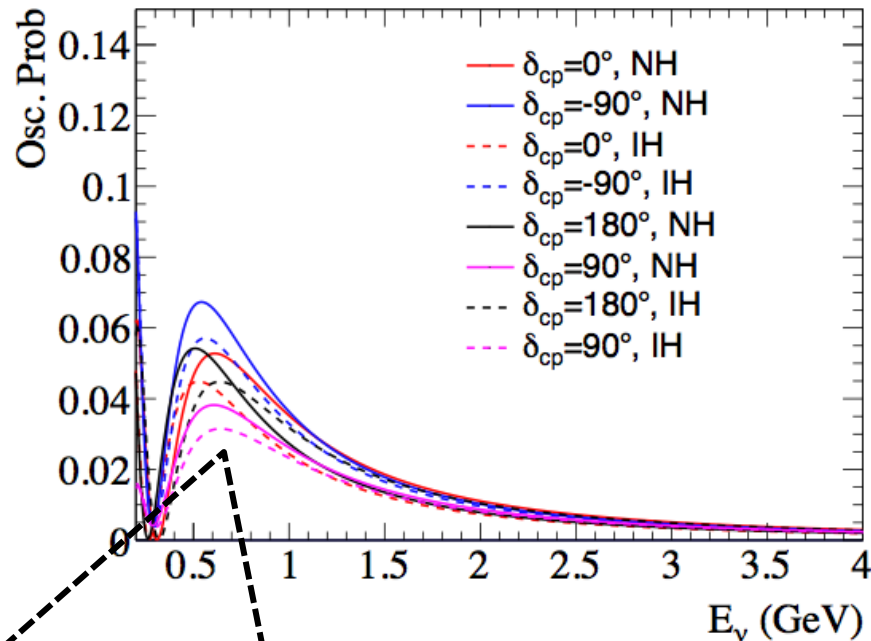
From PhyStat- ν

BC: “Two 3.5 results are better than one 5 result.”

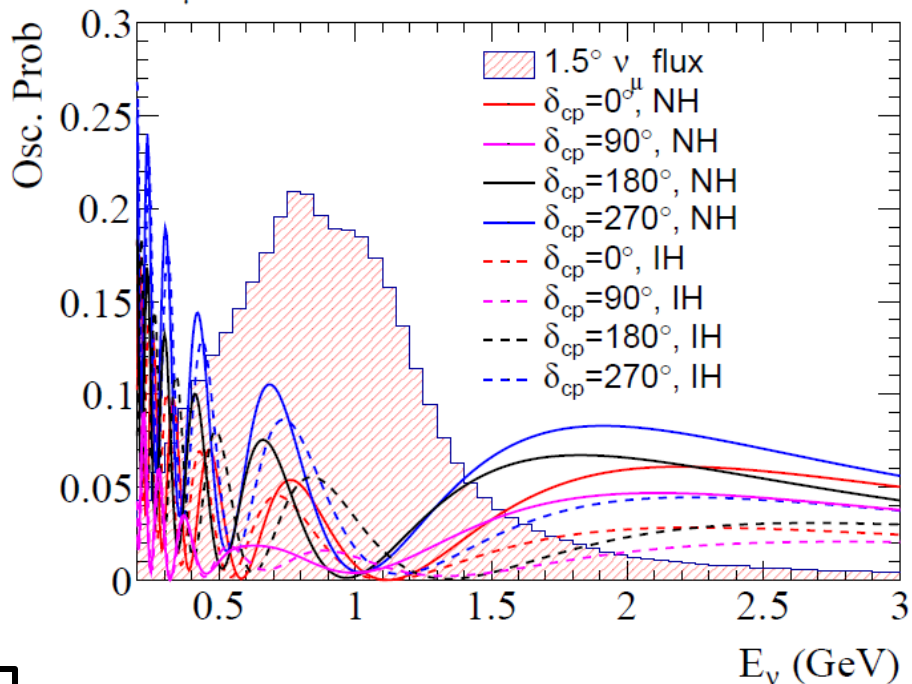
DvD: “Calibrated 3.5 result is better than uncalibrated 5.”

Δm^2 and θ_{23} degeneracies

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ at 295 km



$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ at 1100 km



Shift (Δm^2)

Scale (θ_{23})

- Degeneracies are partially resolved with $\bar{\nu}_e$ data
- But also resolved by covering larger range of Φ_{32}