Test of Lorentz and CPT violation with MiniBooNE excesses

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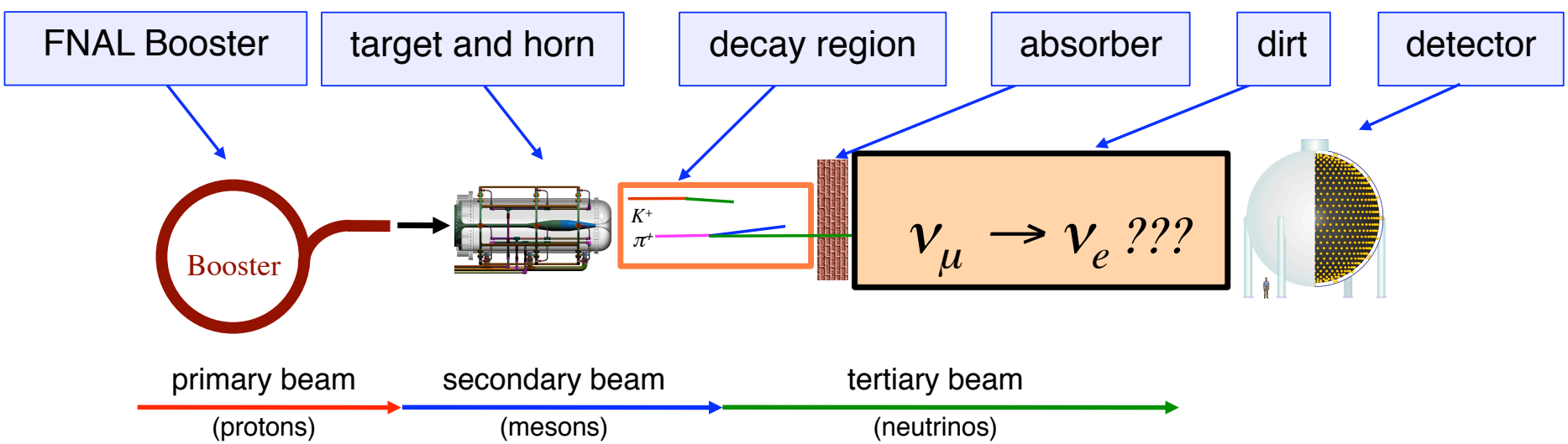

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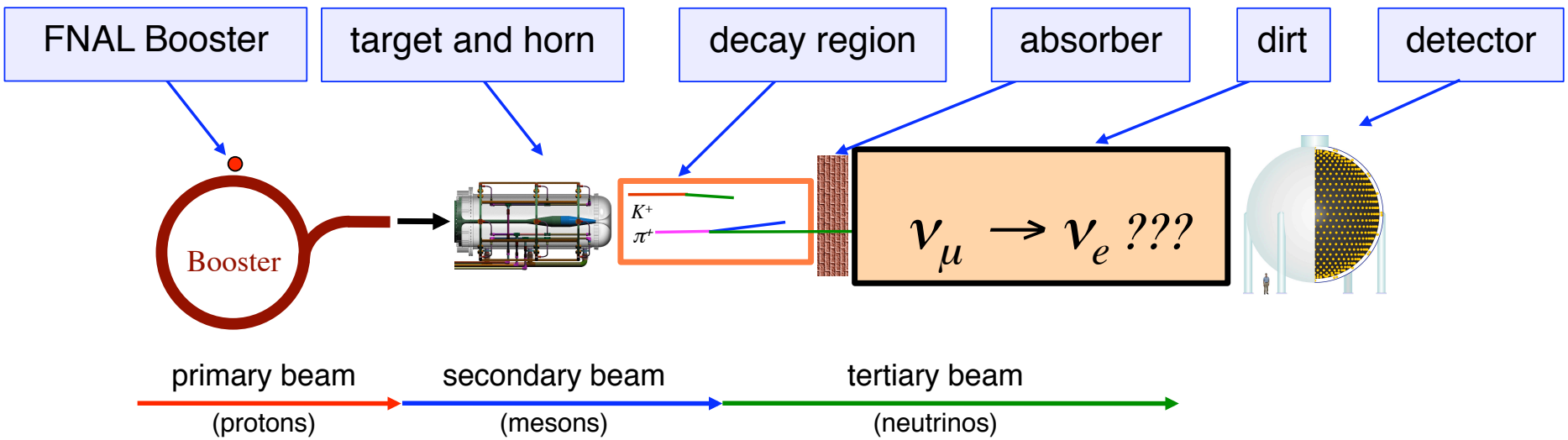

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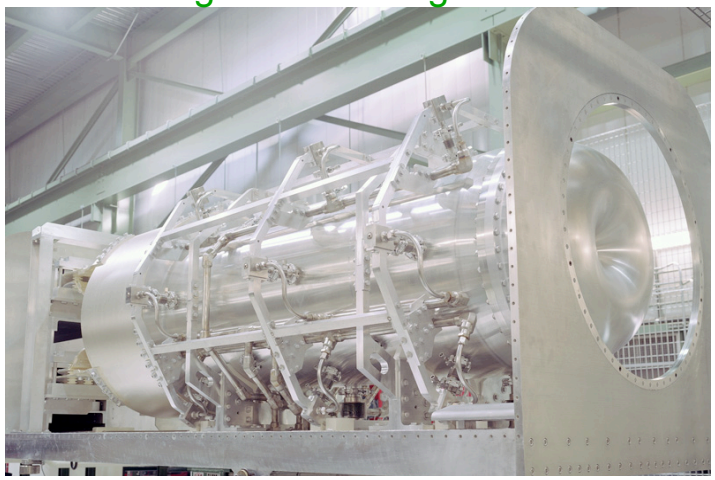

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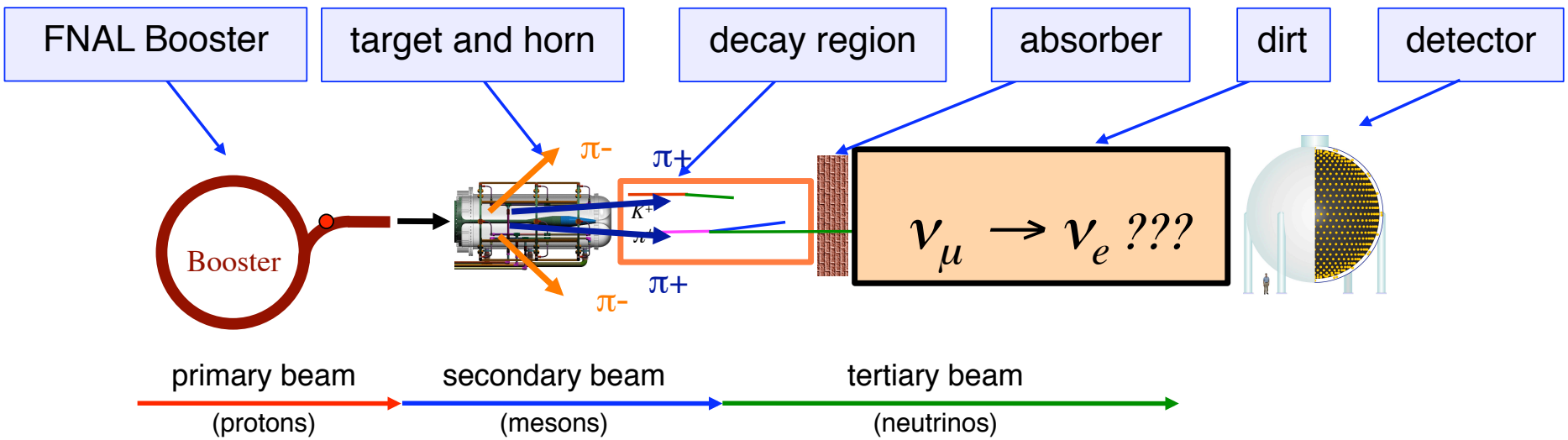
8GeV protons are delivered to Be target in a magnetic focusing horn to produce secondary mesons.

$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$



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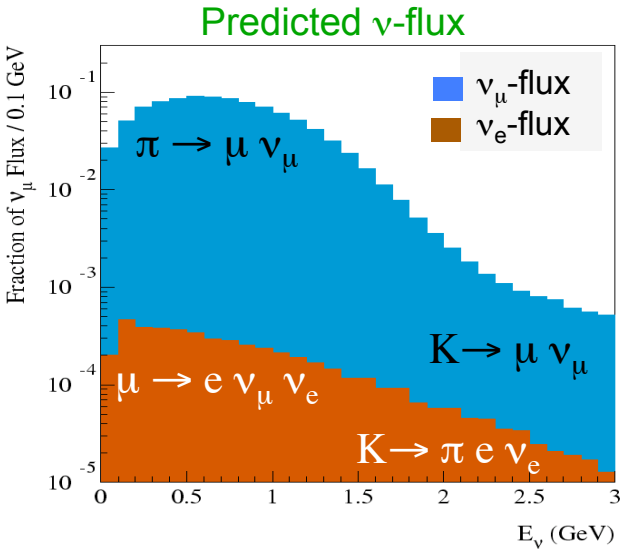

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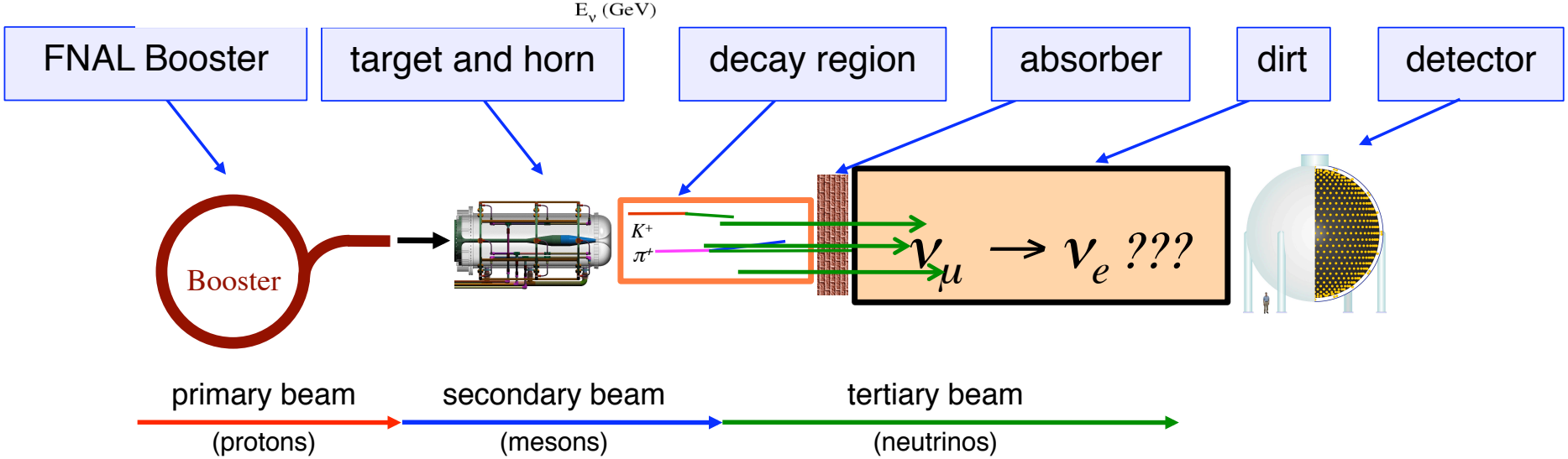

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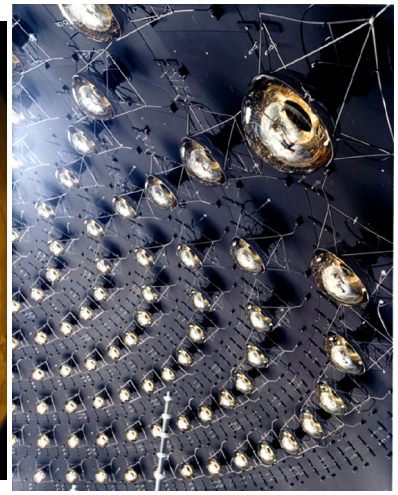

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Spherical Cherenkov detector
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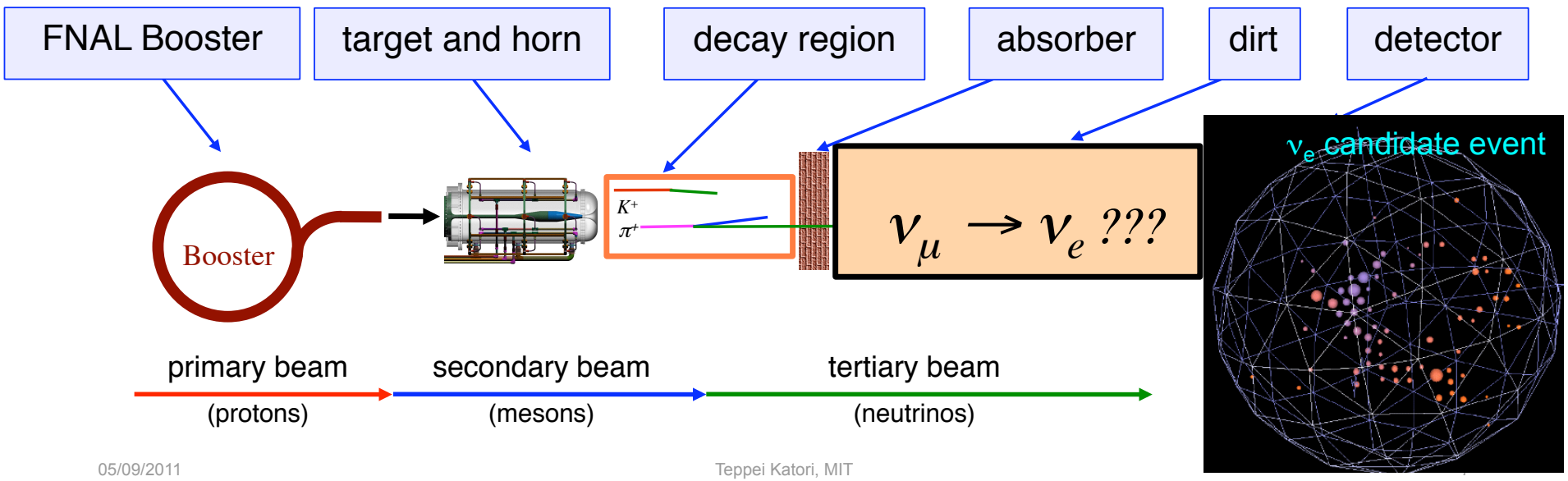
- filled with 800t mineral oil
-1280 of 8” PMT in inner detector



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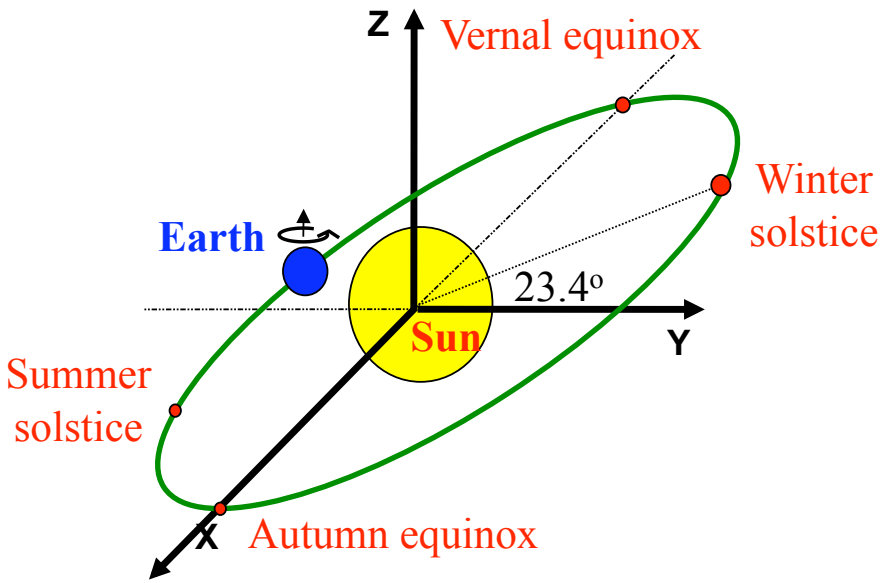

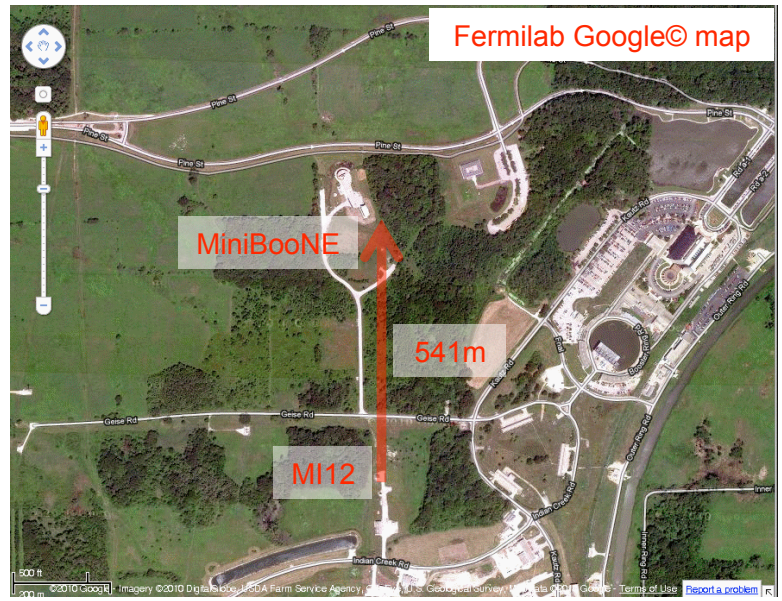

Colladay and Kostelecký
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As a standard formalism for the general search of Lorentz violation, Standard Model Extension (SME) is widely used in the community. SME is self-consistent low-energy effective theory with Lorentz and CPT violation within conventional QM (minimum extension of QFT with Particle Lorentz violation)

Modified Dirac Equation (MDE) for neutrinos

$$i(\Gamma^{\nu}_{AB}\partial_{\nu} - M_{AB})\nu_B = 0$$

SME parameters

$$\Gamma^{\nu}_{AB} = \gamma^{\nu}\delta_{AB} + c^{\mu\nu}_{AB}\gamma_{\mu} + d^{\mu\nu}_{AB}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5 + e^{\nu}_{AB} + if^{\nu}_{AB}\gamma_5 + \frac{1}{2}g^{\lambda\mu\nu}_{AB}\sigma_{\lambda\mu}$$

$$M_{AB} = m_{AB} + im_{5AB}\gamma_5 + a^{\mu}_{AB}\gamma_{\mu} + b^{\mu}_{AB}\gamma_5\gamma_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2}H^{\mu\nu}_{AB}\sigma_{\mu\nu}$$

$c^{\mu\nu}_{AB}$ ← 4X4 Lorentz indices
← 6X6 flavor indices

Lorentz and CPT violating term
$a^{\mu}, b^{\mu}, e^{\mu}, f^{\mu}, g^{\mu\nu\lambda}$

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Kostelecký and Mewes
PRD69(2004)076002

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The observables can be, energy spectrum, frequency of atomic transition, neutrino oscillation probability, etc. Among the non standard phenomena predicted by Lorentz violation, the smoking gun is the sidereal time dependence of the observables.

ex) Sidereal variation of MiniBooNE signal

sidereal frequency $w_\oplus = \frac{2\pi}{23h56m4.1s}$

sidereal time $T_\oplus$

$$P_{\nu_e \to \nu_\mu} \sim \frac{|(h_{eff})_{e\mu}|^2 L^2}{(\hbar c)^2}$$

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Sidereal variation analysis for MiniBooNE is 5 parameter fitting problem

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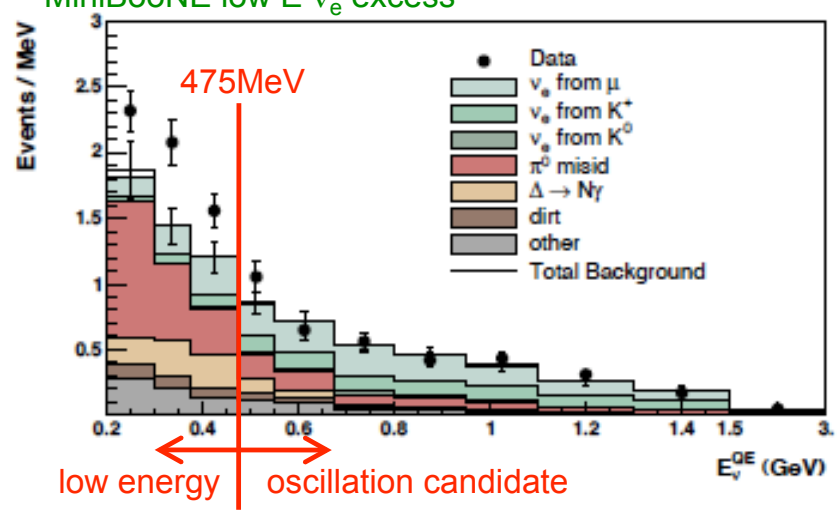
The energy dependence of MiniBooNE is reproducible by Lorentz violation motivated model, such as Puma model (next talk).

The low energy excess may have sidereal time dependence.

MiniBooNE low E ν_e excess



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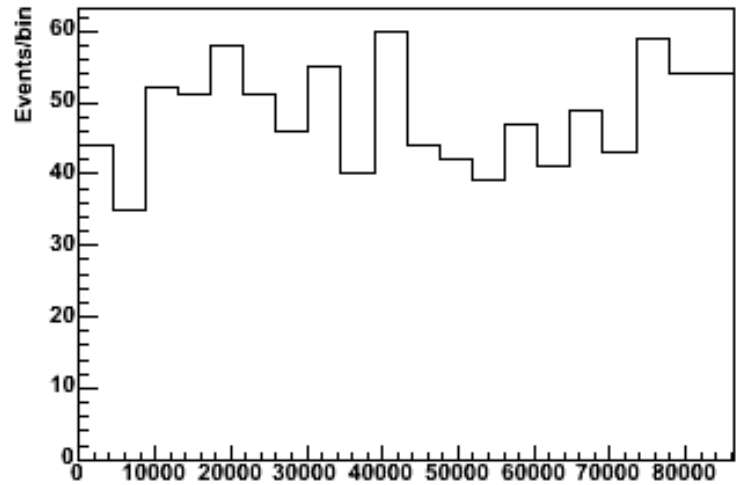

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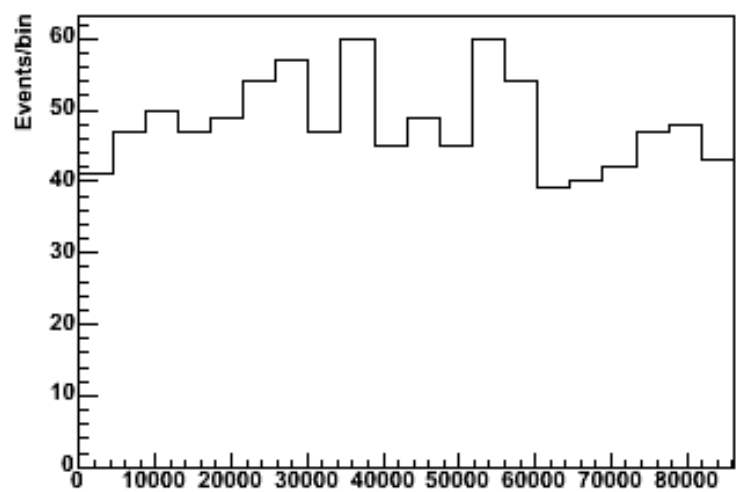

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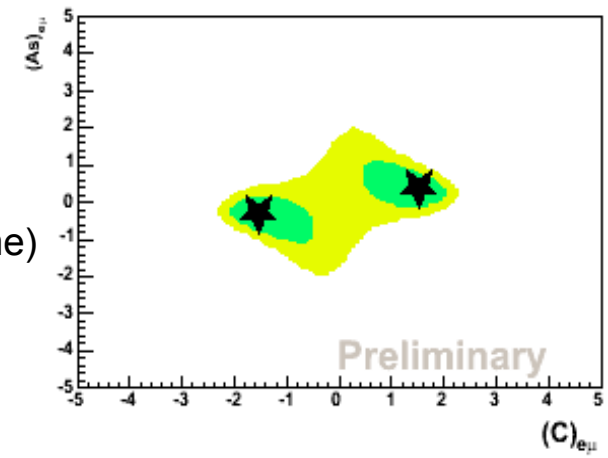

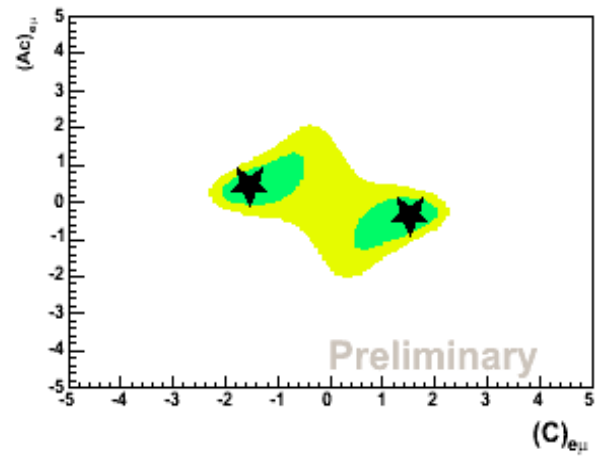

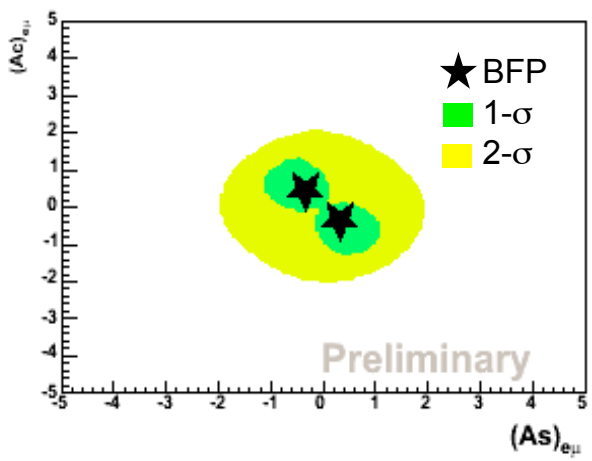

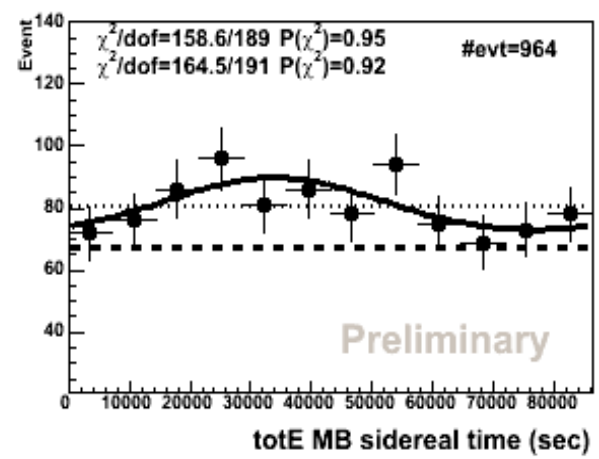

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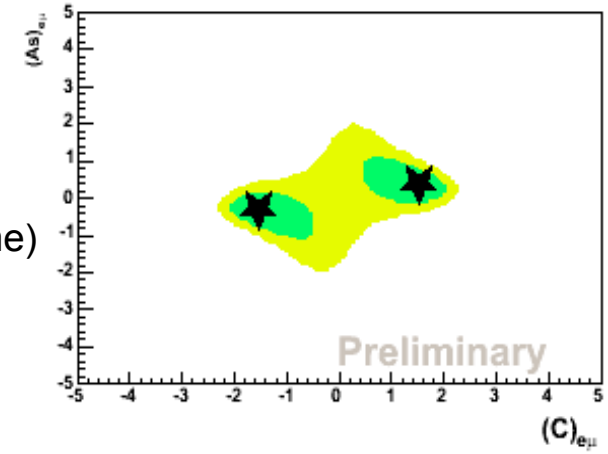

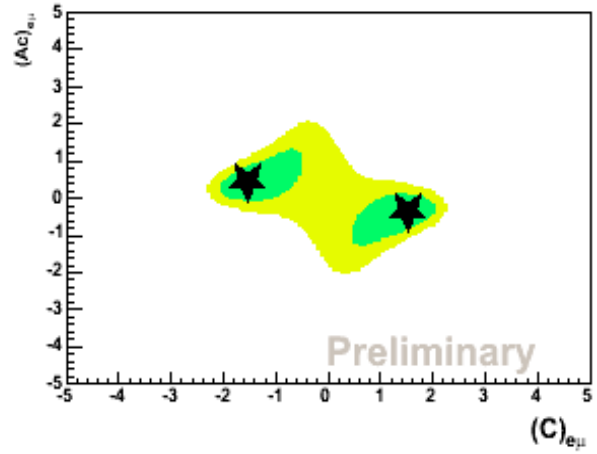

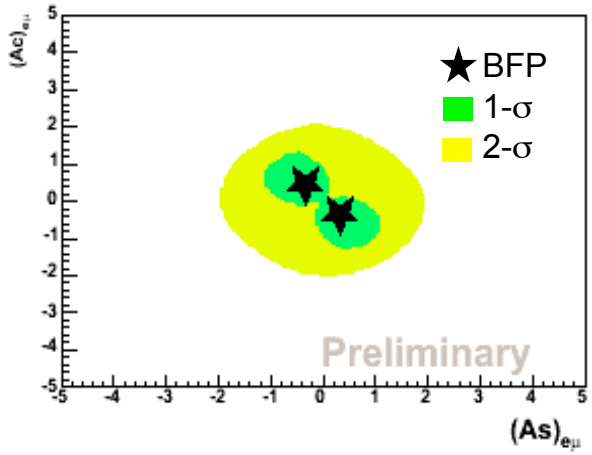

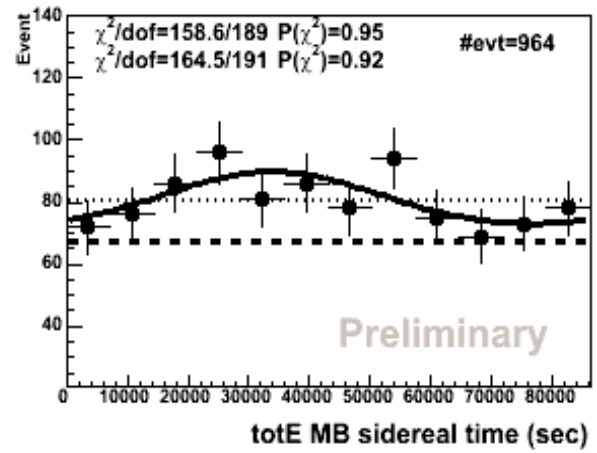

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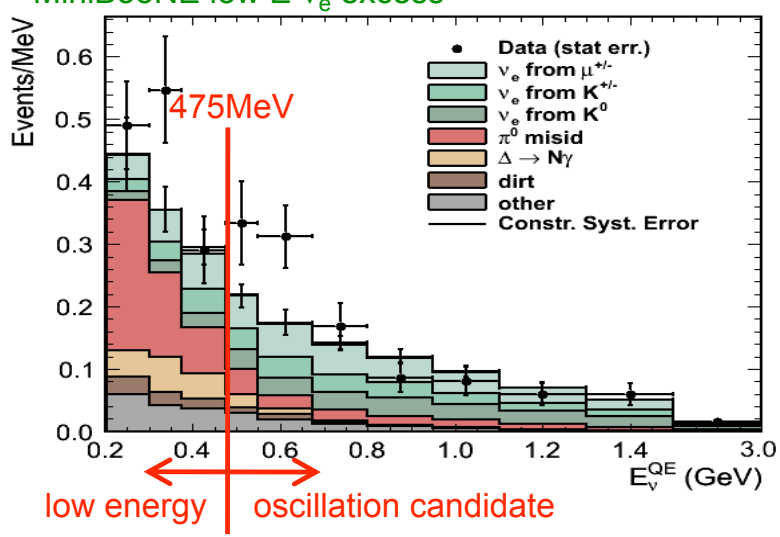

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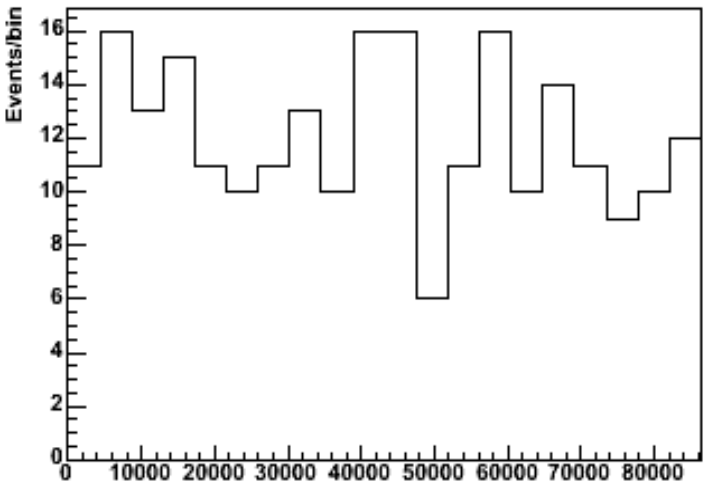

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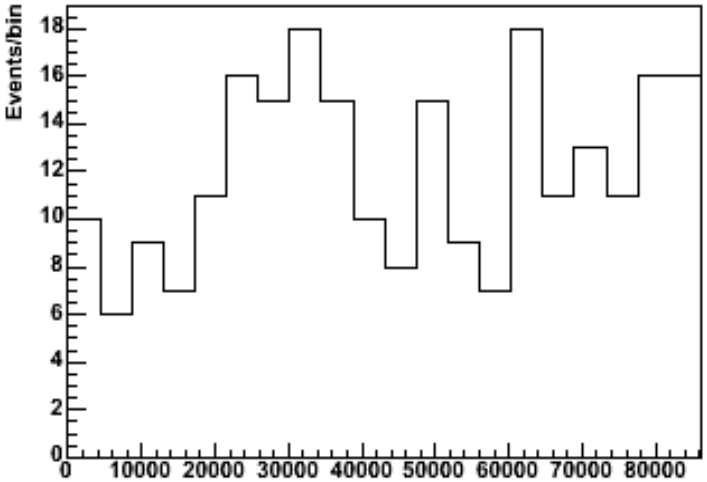

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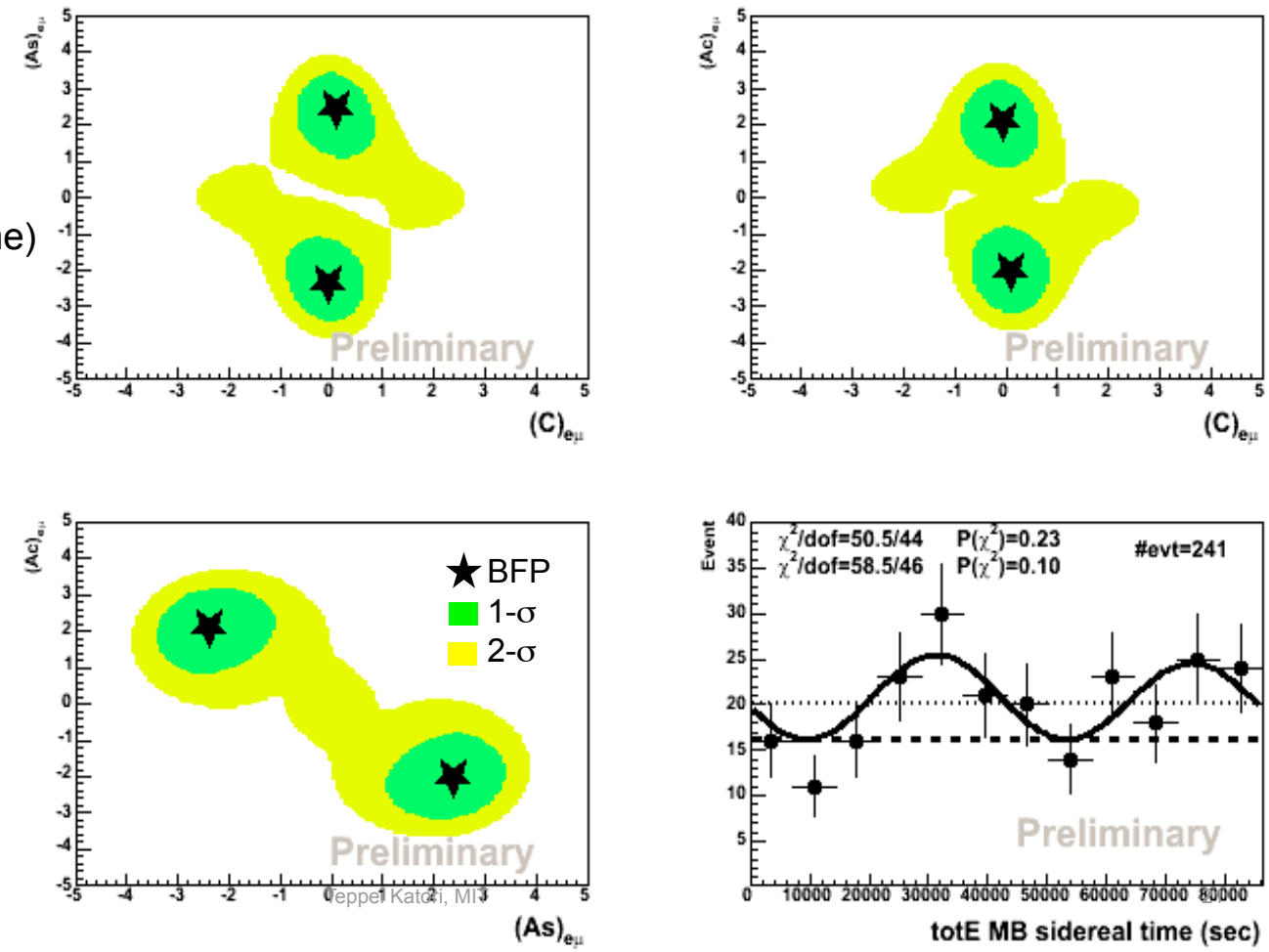

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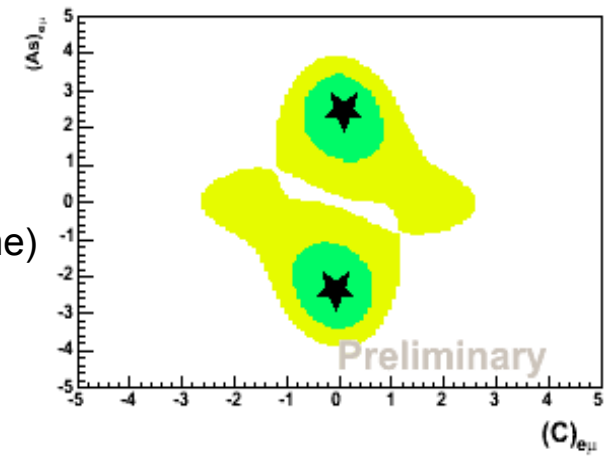

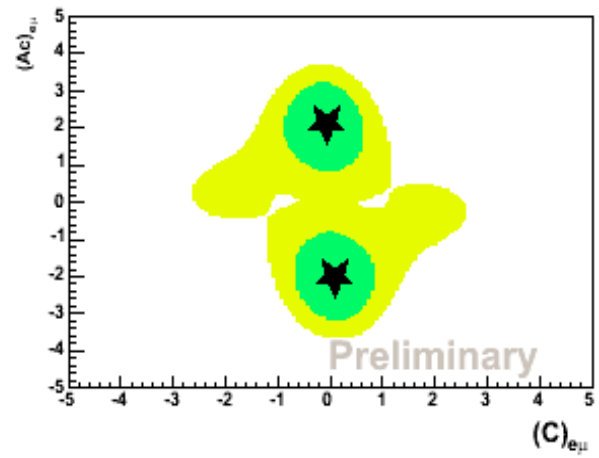

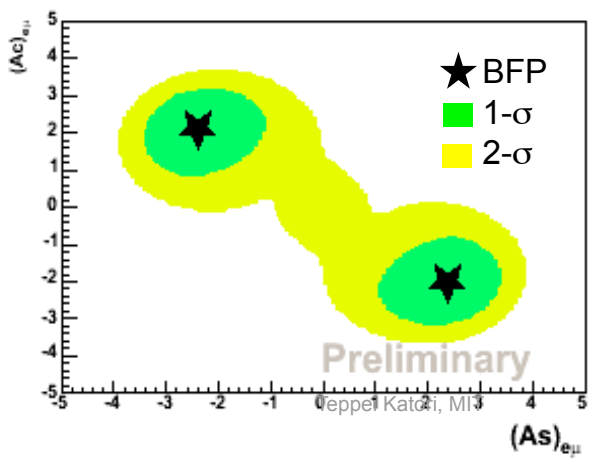

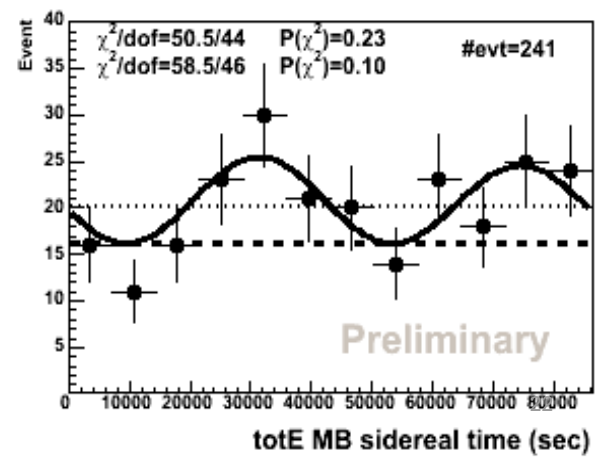

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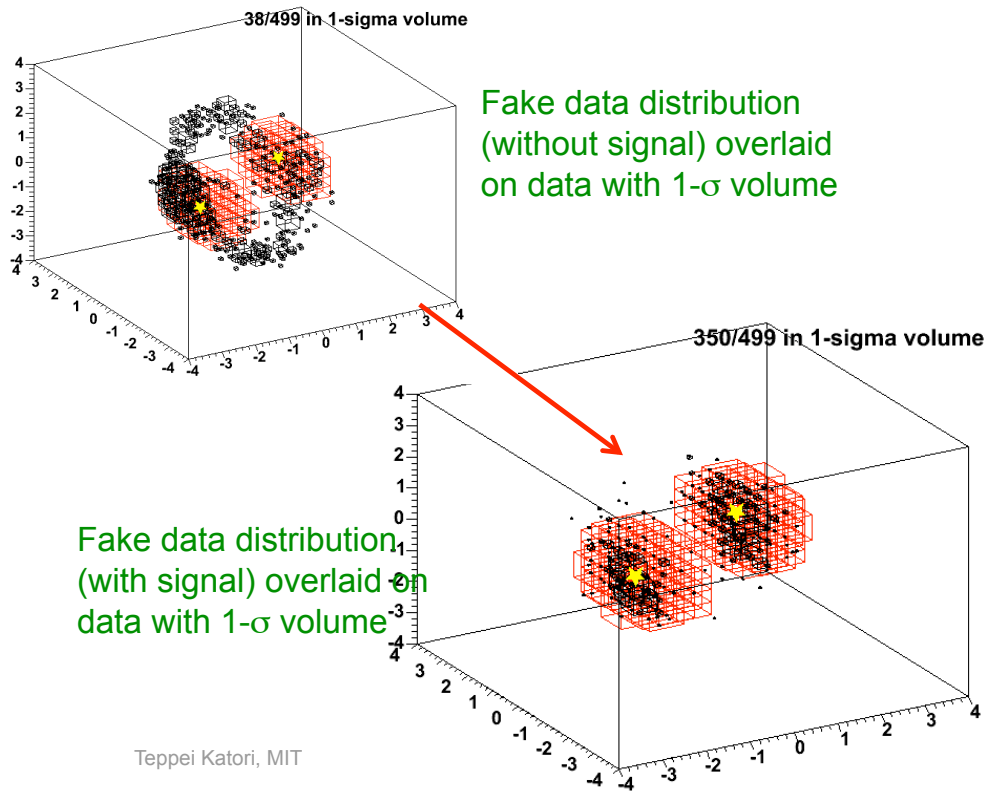

Fake data distribution (without signal) overlaid on data with 1-σ volume

Fake data distribution (with signal) overlaid on data with 1-σ volume

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LSND and MiniBooNE data suggest Lorentz violation is an interesting solution of neutrino oscillation.

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Backup

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2. Test of Lorentz violation with neutrino oscillations

Sidereal variation of neutrino oscillation probability for MiniBooNE (5 parameters)

$$P_{\bar{\nu}_e \to \bar{\nu}_\mu} = \left(\frac{L}{\hbar c}\right)^2 \left|(C)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + (A_s)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} \sin w_\oplus T_\oplus + (A_c)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} \cos w_\oplus T_\oplus + (B_s)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} \sin 2w_\oplus T_\oplus + (B_c)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} \cos 2w_\oplus T_\oplus\right|^2$$

Expression of 5 observables (14 SME parameters)

$$(C)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} = (a_L)^T_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - N^Z (a_L)^Z_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + E\left[-\frac{1}{2}(3 - N^Z N^Z)(c_L)^{TT}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + 2N^Z (c_L)^{TZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - 3N^Z N^Z)(c_L)^{ZZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right]$$

$$(A_s)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} = N^Y (a_L)^X_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - N^X (a_L)^Y_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + E\left[-2N^Y (c_L)^{TX}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + 2N^X (c_L)^{TY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + 2N^Y N^Z (c_L)^{XZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - 2N^X N^Z (c_L)^{YZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right]$$

$$(A_c)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} = -N^X (a_L)^X_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - N^Y (a_L)^Y_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + E\left[2N^X (c_L)^{TX}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} + 2N^Y (c_L)^{TY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - 2N^X N^Z (c_L)^{XZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - 2N^Y N^Z (c_L)^{YZ}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right]$$

$$(B_s)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} = E\left[N^X N^Y \left((c_L)^{XX}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - (c_L)^{YY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right) - (N^X N^X - N^Y N^Y)(c_L)^{XY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right]$$

$$(B_c)_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} = E\left[-\frac{1}{2}(N^X N^X - N^Y N^Y)\left((c_L)^{XX}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}} - (c_L)^{YY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right) - 2N^X N^Y (c_L)^{XY}_{\bar{e}\bar{\mu}}\right]$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} N^X \\ N^Y \\ N^Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\chi \sin\theta \cos\phi - \sin\chi \cos\theta \\ \sin\theta \sin\phi \\ -\sin\chi \sin\theta \cos\phi - \cos\chi \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

coordinate dependent direction vector (depends on the latitude of FNAL, location of BNB and MiniBooNE detector)

MiniBooNE collaboration,
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3. Lorentz violation with MiniBooNE neutrino data

Proton on target day-night variation

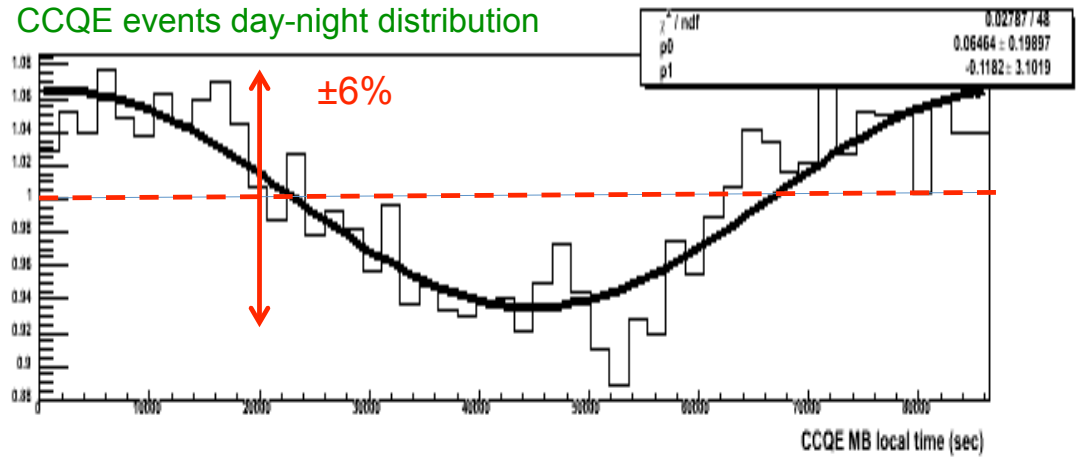
Since beam is running almost all year, any solar time structure, mainly POT day-night variation, is washed out in sidereal time.

Time dependent systematic errors are evaluated through observed CCQE events. The dominant source is POT variation.

POT makes 6% variation, but including this gives negligible effect in sidereal time distribution.

Therefore later we ignore all time dependent systematic errors.

CCQE events day-night distribution



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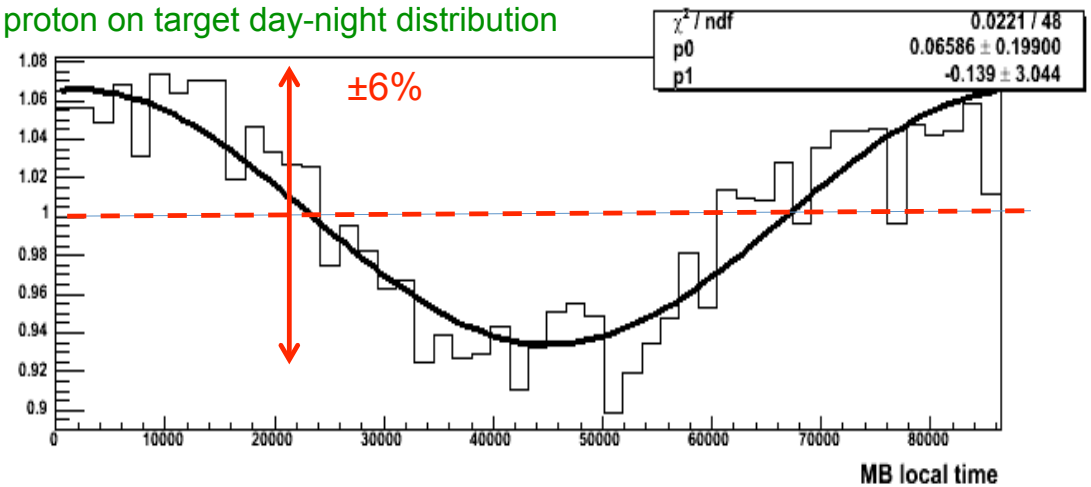


5. Lorentz violation with MiniBooNE neutrino data

Unbinned extended maximum likelihood fit

- It has the maximum statistic power
- Assuming low energy excess is Lorentz violation, extract Lorentz violation parameters (SME parameters) from unbinned likelihood fit.

likelihood function

$$\Lambda = \frac{e^{-(\mu_s+\mu_b^v)}}{N!}\prod_{i=1}^{N}(\mu_s\mathcal{F}_s^i+\mu_b^v\mathcal{F}_b^i)\times\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi{\sigma_b}^2}}\exp\left(-\frac{(\mu_b^v-\mu_b)^2}{2{\sigma_b}^2}\right) \quad (22)$$

N total number of event

μ_s predicted signal event number, function of fitting parameters

μ_b predicted background event number

$\mathcal{F}_s$ probability distribution of signal, function of sidereal time and fitting parameters

$\mathcal{F}_b$ probability distribution of background, not function of sidereal time

σ_b the $1-\sigma$ error of predicted the background

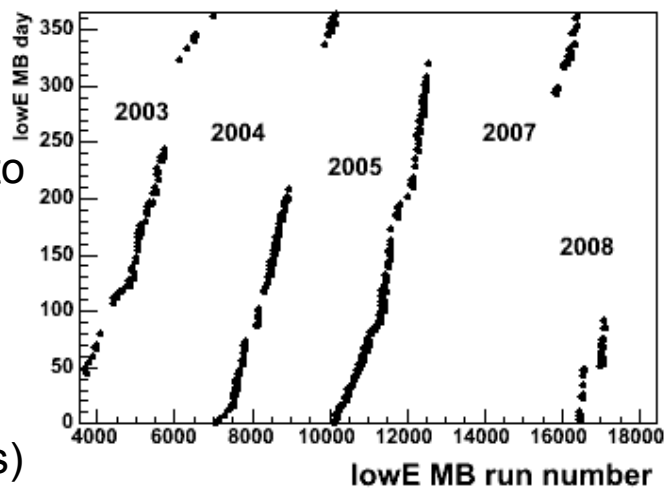
μ_b^v floating background event number floating within $1-\sigma$

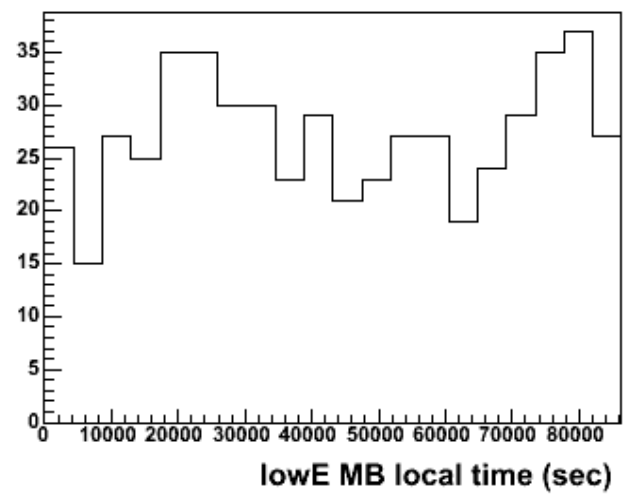
5. Lorentz violation with MiniBooNE neutrino data

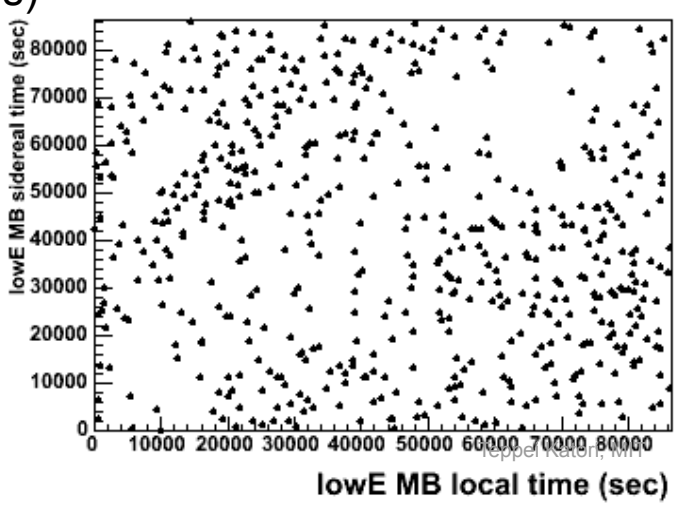
Time distribution of MiniBooNE neutrino mode low energy region

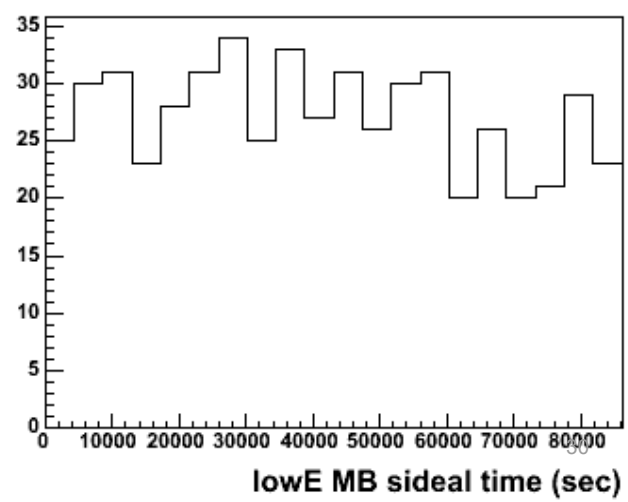
MiniBooNE data taking is reasonably uniform, so all day-night effect is likely to be washed out in sidereal time distribution.

solar local time 24h00m00s (86400s)
sidereal time 23h56m04s (86164s)









5. Lorentz violation with MiniBooNE neutrino data

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All data sets are compatible with flat hypothesis, but none of them are excluded either.

Preliminary

null hypothesis tests for neutrino mode						
	low energy		oscillation energy		total	
	solar	sidereal	solar	sidereal	solar	sidereal
# of events	544		420		964	
Pearson's χ^2:						
$N_{\mathrm{d.o.f}}$	107	107	83	82	191	191
χ^2	107.6	106.0	69.6	76.2	179.6	164.5
$P(\chi^2)$	0.47	0.51	0.85	0.66	0.71	0.92
Kolmogorov-Smirnov:						
$P(\mathrm{KS})$	0.42	0.13	0.81	0.64	0.64	0.14

6. Lorentz violation with MiniBooNE anti-neutrino data

Time distribution of MiniBooNE antineutrino mode oscillation region

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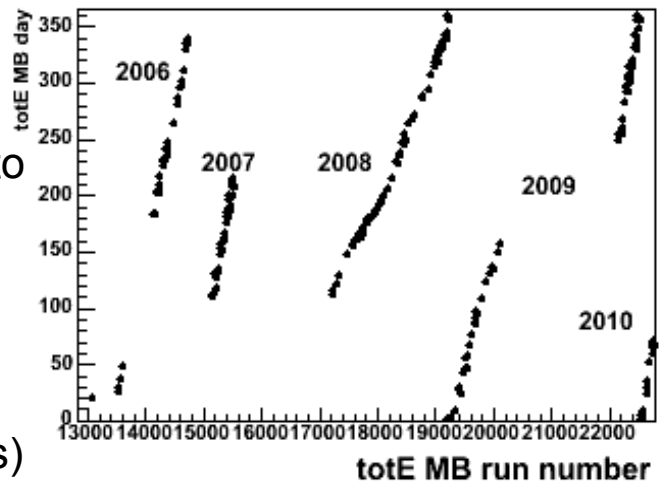

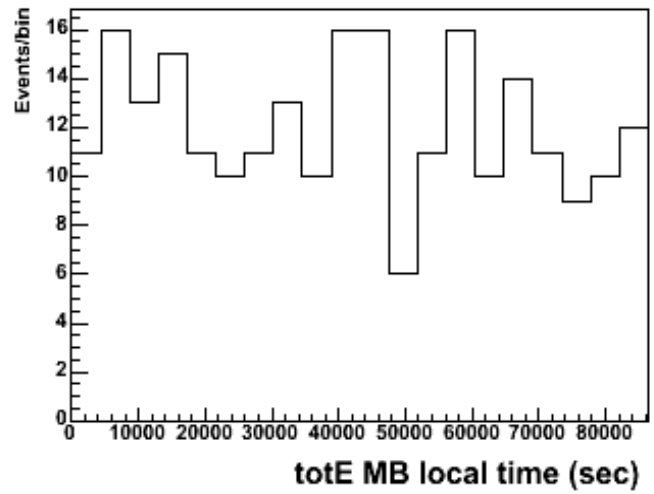

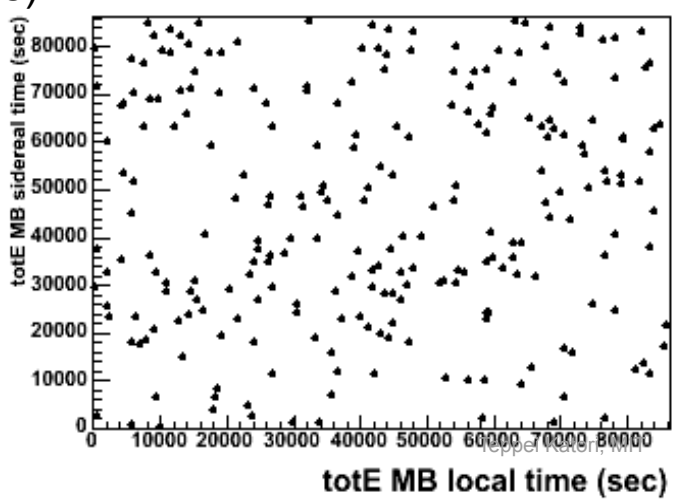

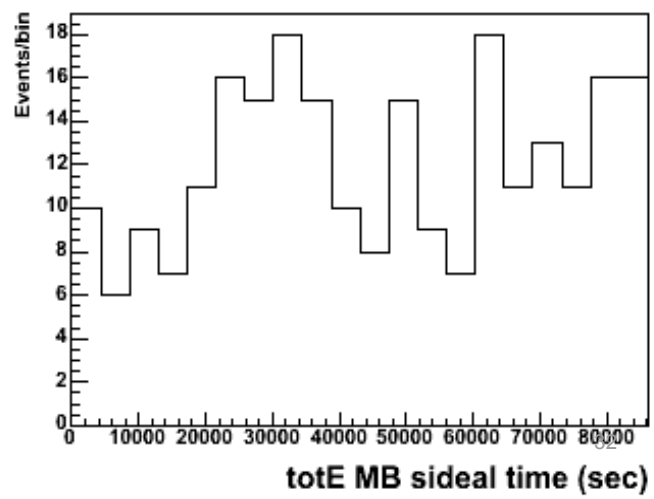

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	low energy		oscillation energy		total	
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# of events	119		122		241	
Pearson's χ^2:						
$N_{\text{d.o.f}}$	21	22	23	23	47	46
χ^2	18.3	23.4	13.0	18.9	46.4	58.5
$P(\chi^2)$	0.63	0.38	0.95	0.71	0.50	0.10
Kolmogorov-Smirnov:						
$P(\text{KS})$	0.62	0.15	0.79	0.39	0.69	0.08