

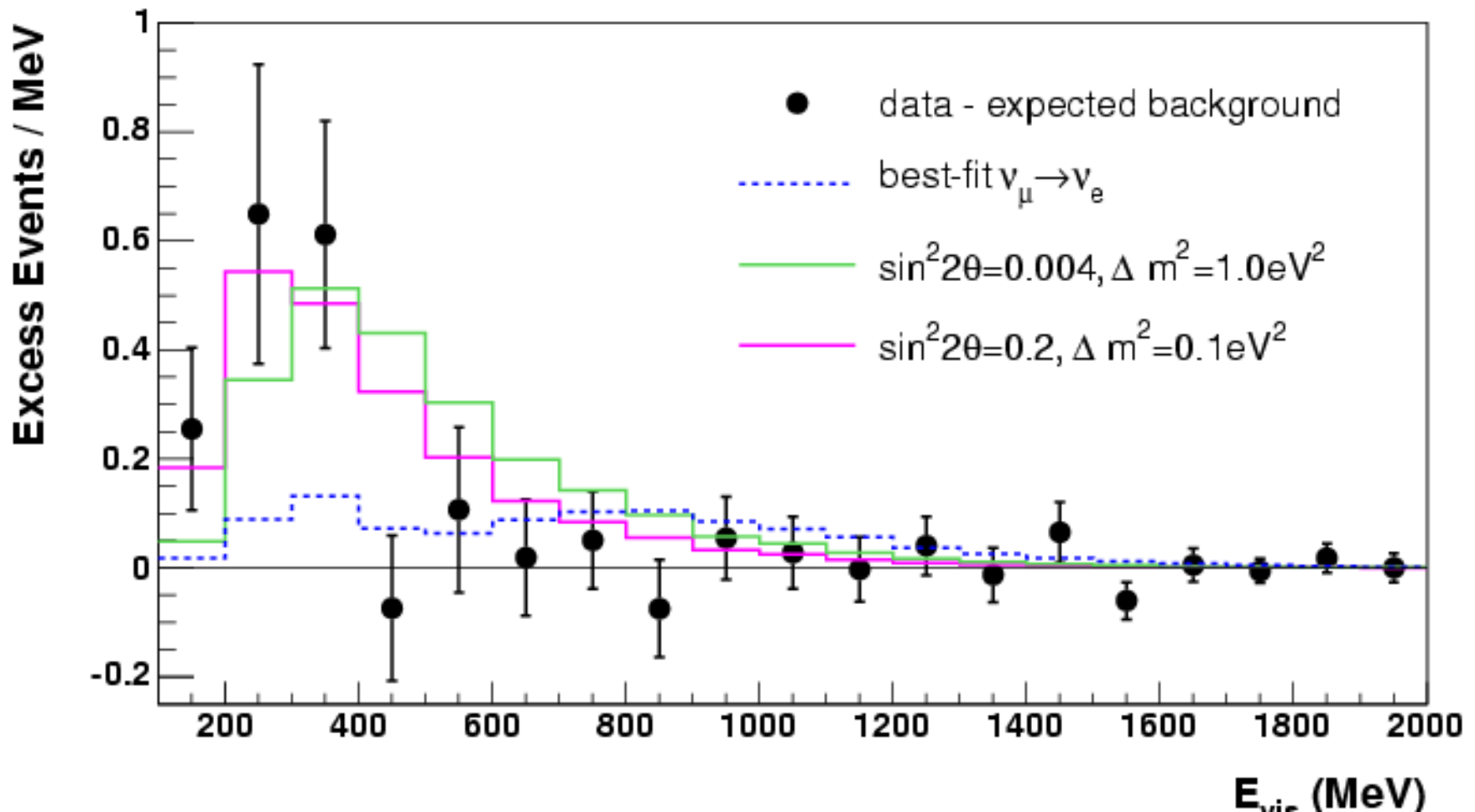
ν_{μ} and $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ Disappearance

W.C. Louis, DNP Conference, October 16, 2009

- **MiniBooNE Appearance Results (talk by Zarko Pavlovic)**
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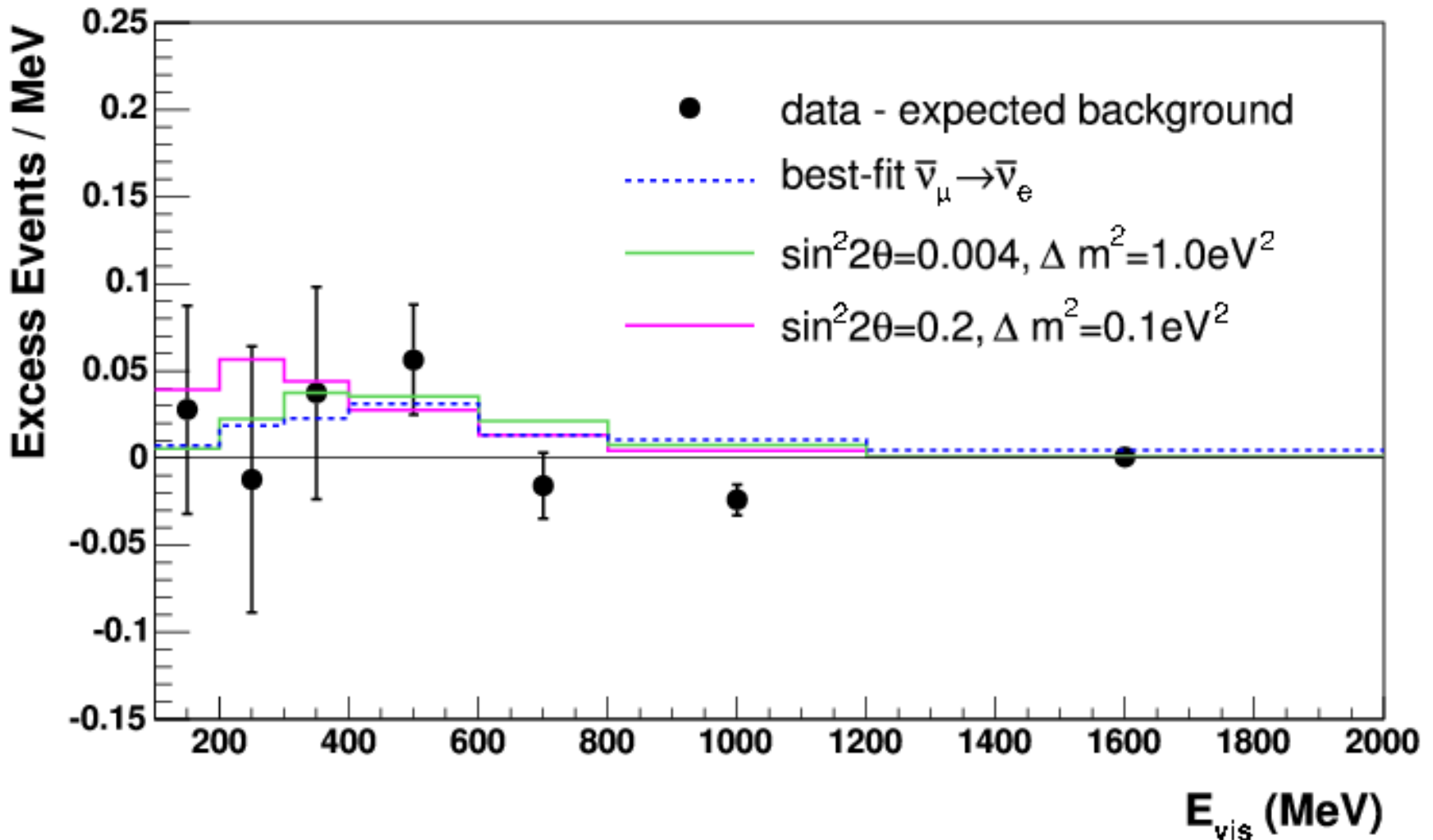
MiniBooNE ν_e appearance data show a low-energy excess

A.A. Aguilar-Arevalo et al., PRL 102, 101802 (2009)

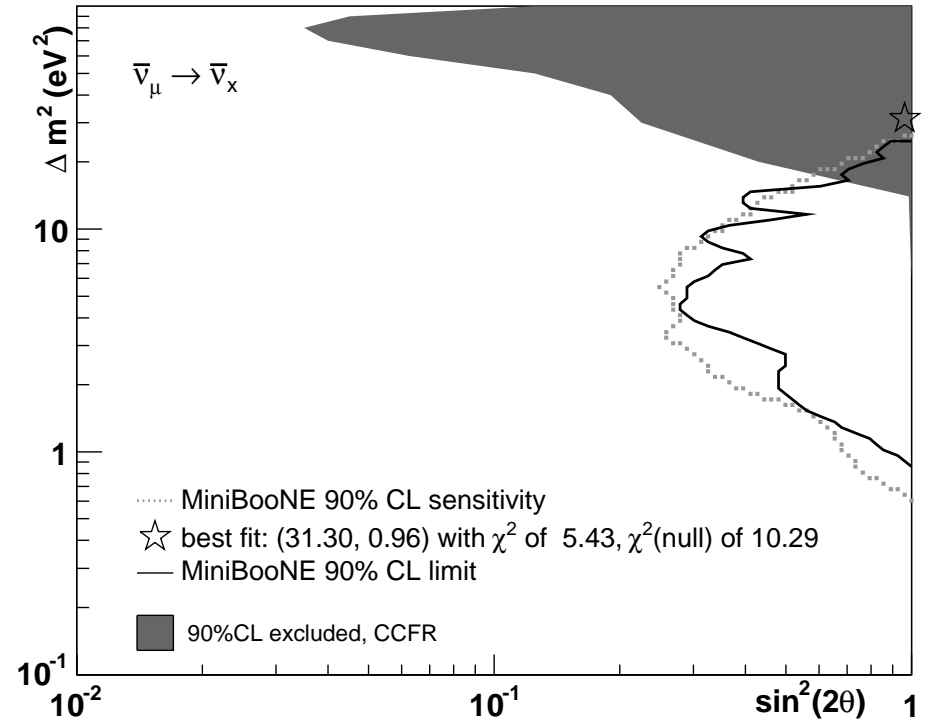
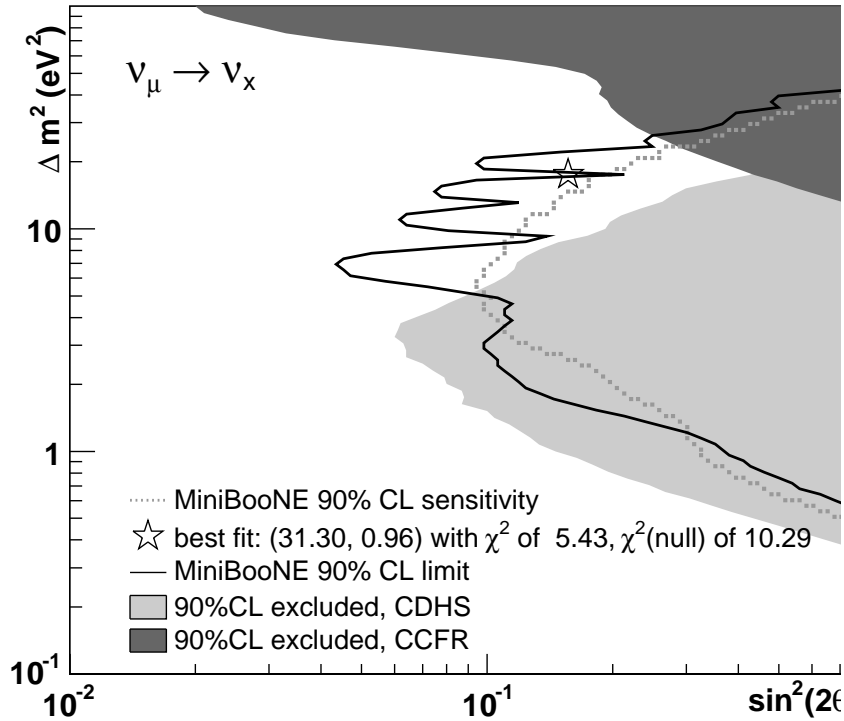


*MiniBooNE $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance data are inconclusive at present
but are consistent so far with LSND*

A.A. Aguilar-Arevalo et al., PRL 103, 111801 (2009)

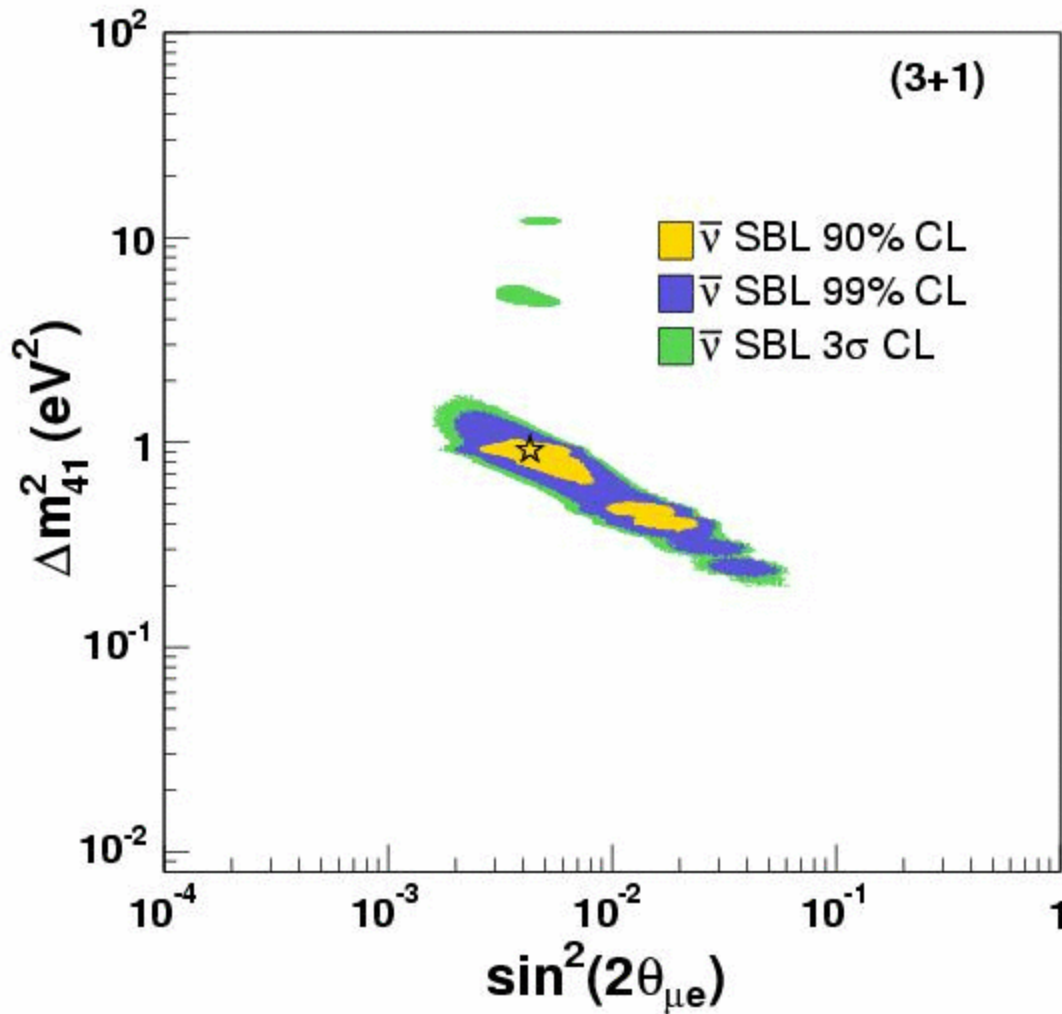


A.A. Aguilar-Arevalo et al., PRL 103, 061802 (2009)



Improved results soon from MiniBooNE/SciBooNE Joint Analysis!

3+1 Global Fit to World Antineutrino Data



**G. Karagiorgi et al.,
arXiv:0906.1997**

Best 3+1 Fit:

$$\Delta m_{41}^2 = 0.915 \text{ eV}^2$$

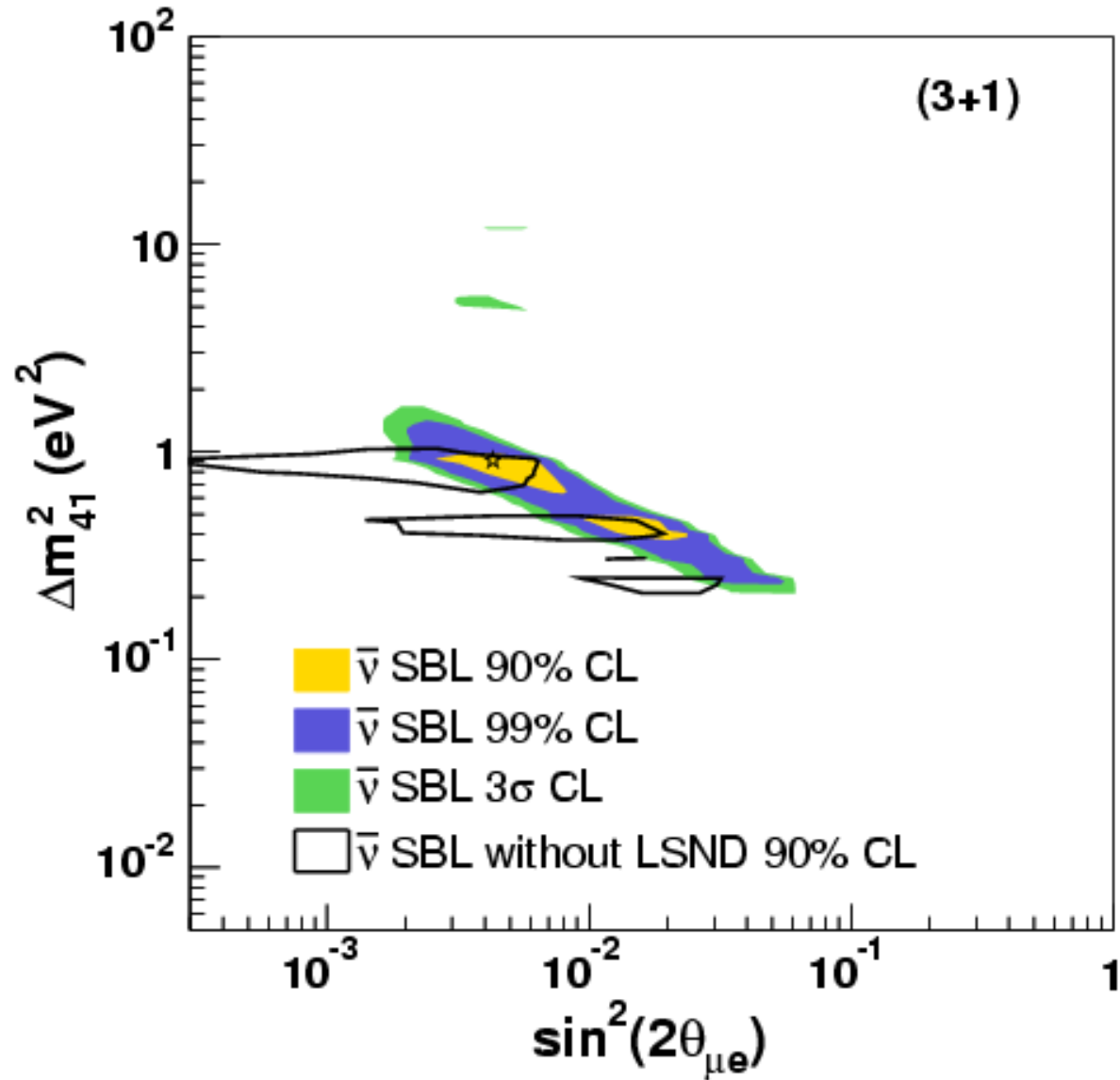
$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} = 0.0043$$

$$\chi^2 = 87.9/103 \text{ DOF}$$

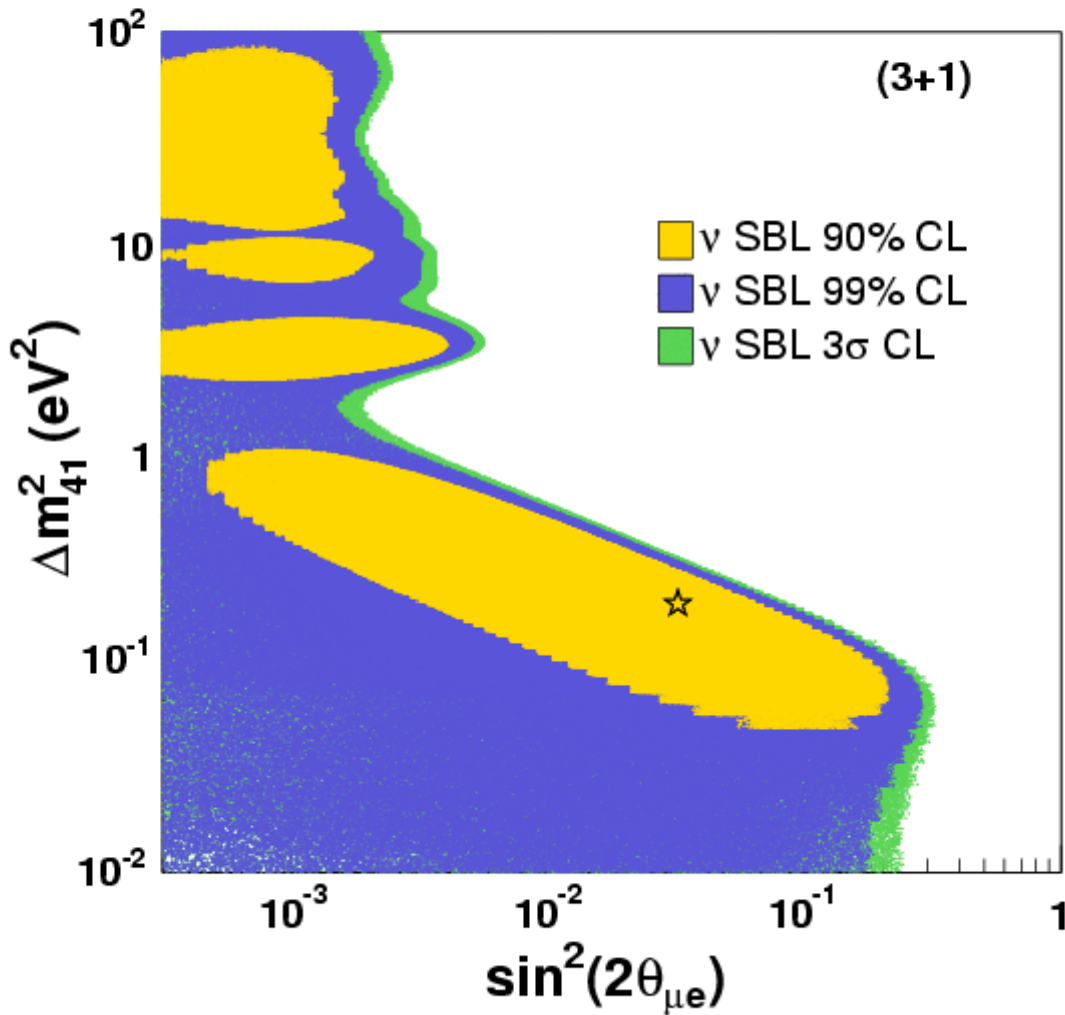
$$\text{Prob.} = 86\%$$

**Predicts $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ & $\bar{\nu}_e$
disappearance of
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} \sim 35\%$ and
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sim 4.3\%$**

3+1 Global Fit to World Antineutrino Data w/o LSND



3+1 Global Fit to World Neutrino Data



**G. Karagiorgi et al.,
arXiv:0906.1997**

Best 3+1 Fit:

$$\Delta m_{41}^2 = 0.19 \text{ eV}^2$$

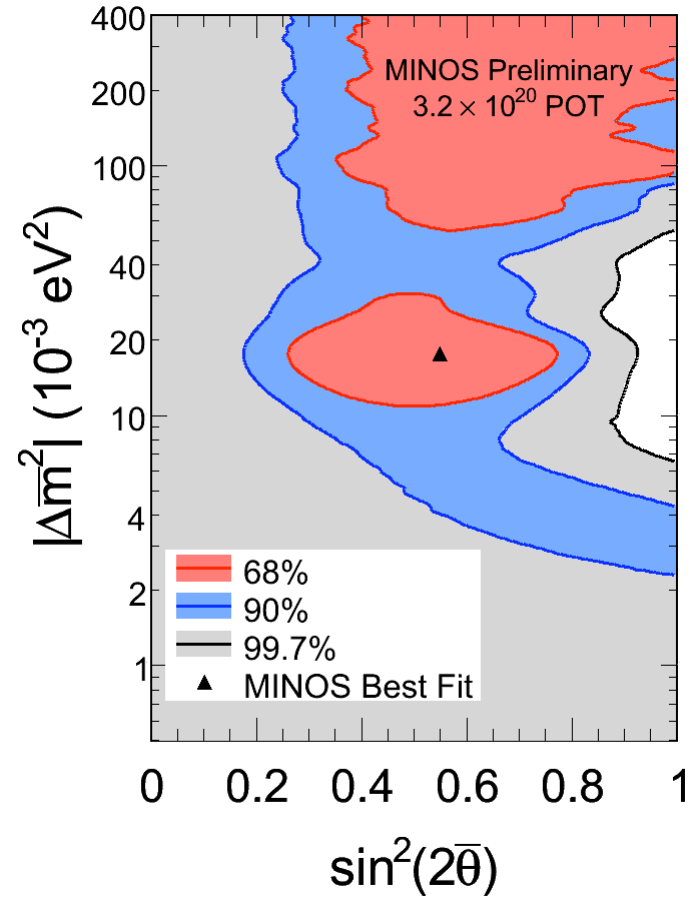
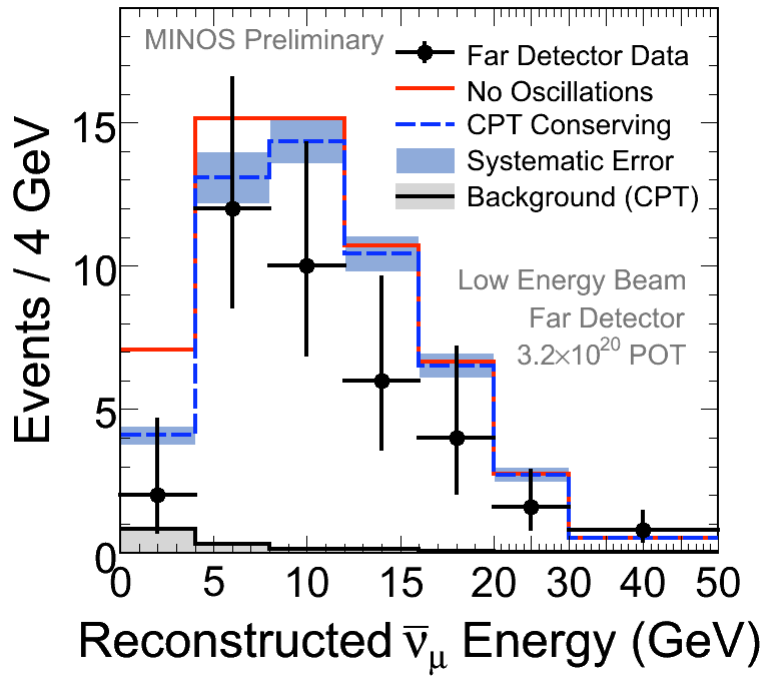
$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} = 0.031$$

$$\chi^2 = 90.5/90 \text{ DOF}$$

$$\text{Prob.} = 46\%$$

**Predicts ν_{μ} & ν_e
disappearance of
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} \sim 3.1\%$ and
 $\sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sim 3.4\%$**

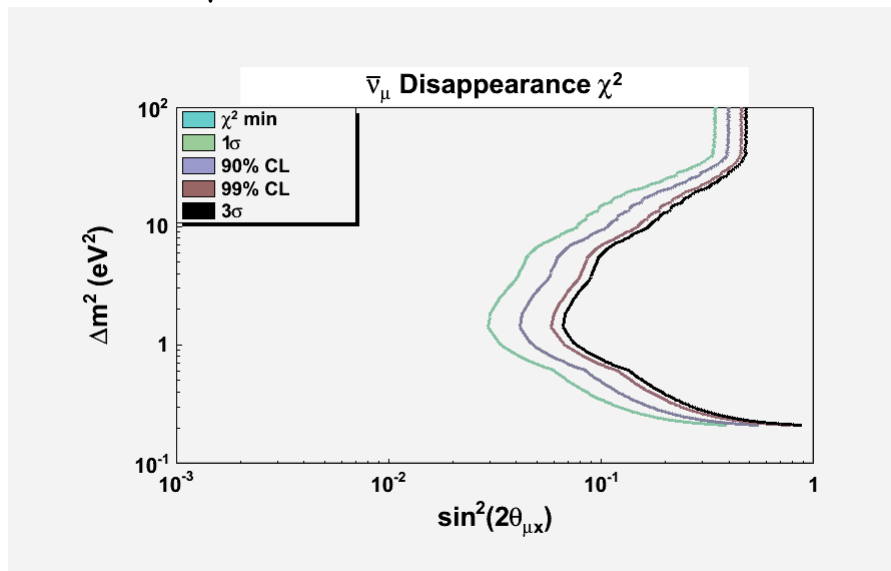
Initial MINOS $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ Disappearance Results



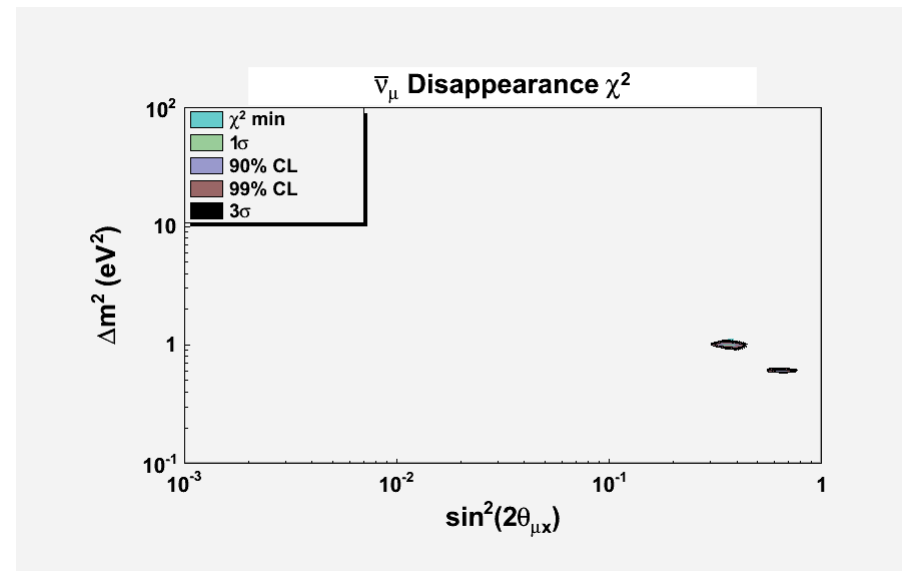
Future: BooNE

- BooNE involves building a second MiniBooNE detector at (or moving MiniBooNE to) a location ~ 200 m from the target
- With two detectors, many of the systematic errors will cancel, giving excellent sensitivity for both appearance and disappearance!

$\bar{\nu}_\mu$ Disappearance Sensitivity



Allowed region for $\Delta m^2 = 0.915$ eV²
and $\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu\mu} = 35\%$



Conclusions

- All antineutrino data fit very well to a simple 3+1 model. **(LSND is alive & well!)** However, there is tension between neutrino & antineutrino data. (CPT Violation?)
- The global fit to the world antineutrino data predicts large $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance, which will be tested soon by MINOS and SciBooNE/MiniBooNE.
- BooNE, which involves building a near MiniBooNE detector, will be able to search for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance with high sensitivity.

Backup Slides

Low-energy excess vs E_{vis}

With E_{vis} Best Fit (0.04 eV², 0.96)

