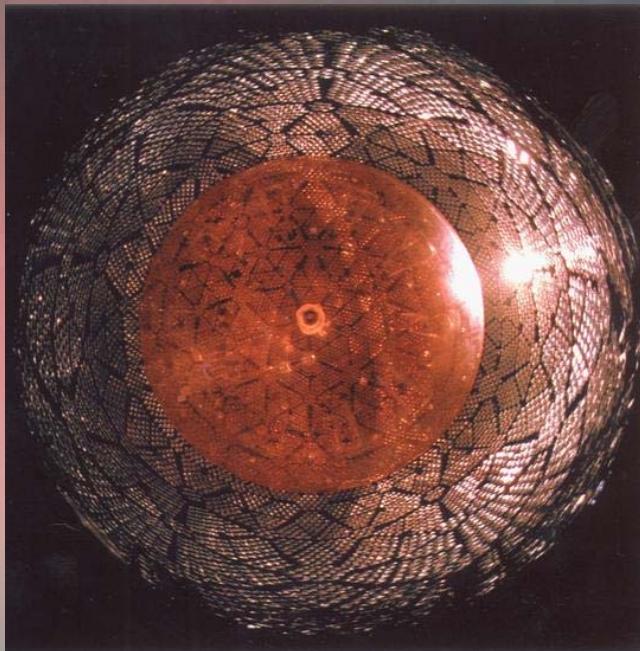


# Latest News from SNO

**Kevin Graham**  
*Queen's University*

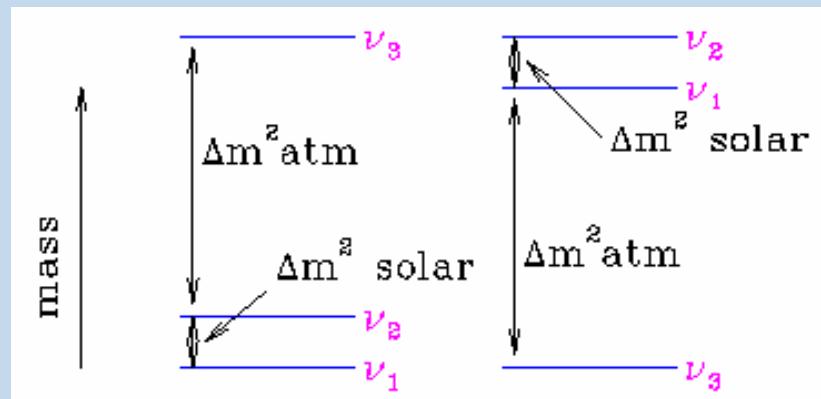
*Physics in Collision*  
June 26-28, 2003  
Zeuthen, Germany



# Neutrinos – What do we want to know?

- Verify flavour change
- Measure mass splittings/hierarchy
- Mixing angles
- How many types? Sterile? Majorana?
- Measure individual mass eigenstates
- CP violation?
- Magnetic moment?

|        |          |            |            |
|--------|----------|------------|------------|
| e      | 511 keV  | $\nu_e$    | < 3 eV     |
| $\mu$  | 106 MeV  | $\nu_\mu$  | < 0.19 MeV |
| $\tau$ | 1.78 GeV | $\nu_\tau$ | < 18.2 MeV |



Solar measuring  $\theta_{12}$ ,  $\Delta m_{12}$

Using the oscillation framework:

If neutrinos have mass:  $|\nu_l\rangle = \sum U_{li} |\nu_i\rangle$

For three neutrinos:

$$U_{li} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata-Pontecorvo matrix**

$$= \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\delta} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\alpha_3/2+i\delta} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solar, Reactor

Atmospheric

CP Violating Phase

Reactor...

Majorana Phases

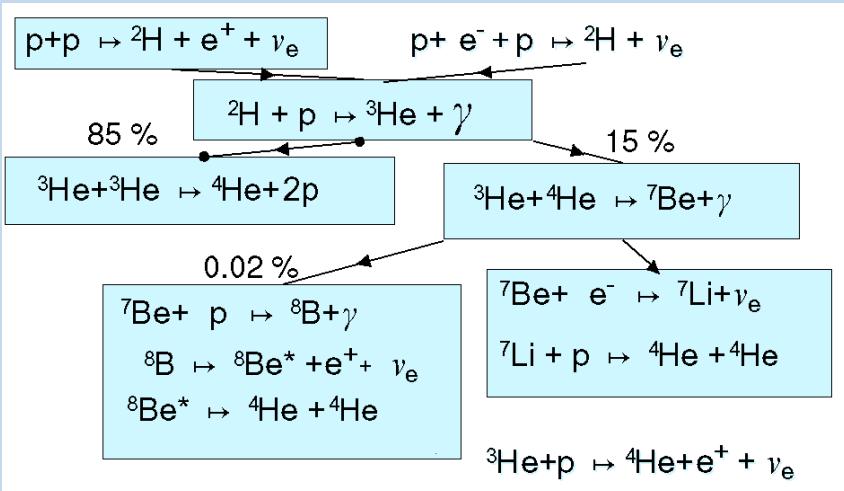
where  $c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$ , and  $s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$

Range defined for  $\Delta m_{12}$ ,  $\Delta m_{23}$

For two neutrino oscillation in a vacuum: (valid approximation in many cases)

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( 1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{E} \right)$$

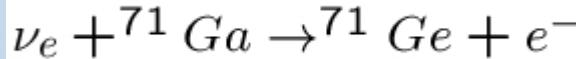
# Solar Neutrinos



$$\Phi = 6.6 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

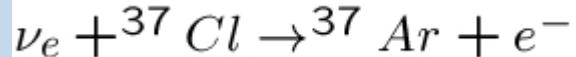
## Experimental Results

### SAGE+GALLEX/GNO



Flux = 0.55 SSM

Homestake



Flux = 0.34 SSM

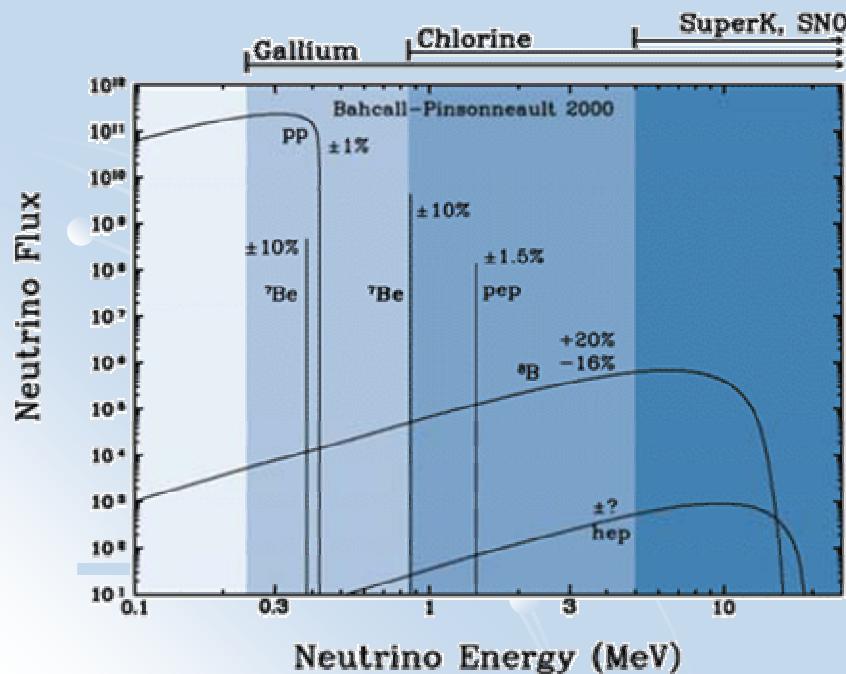
Kamiokande+Superkamiokande

$$\nu_x + e^- \rightarrow \nu_x + e^- \quad \sigma_{\mu\tau} = \frac{1}{6} \times \sigma_e$$

Flux = 0.47 SSM

SNO (CC 0.35)

Flux = 1 SSM



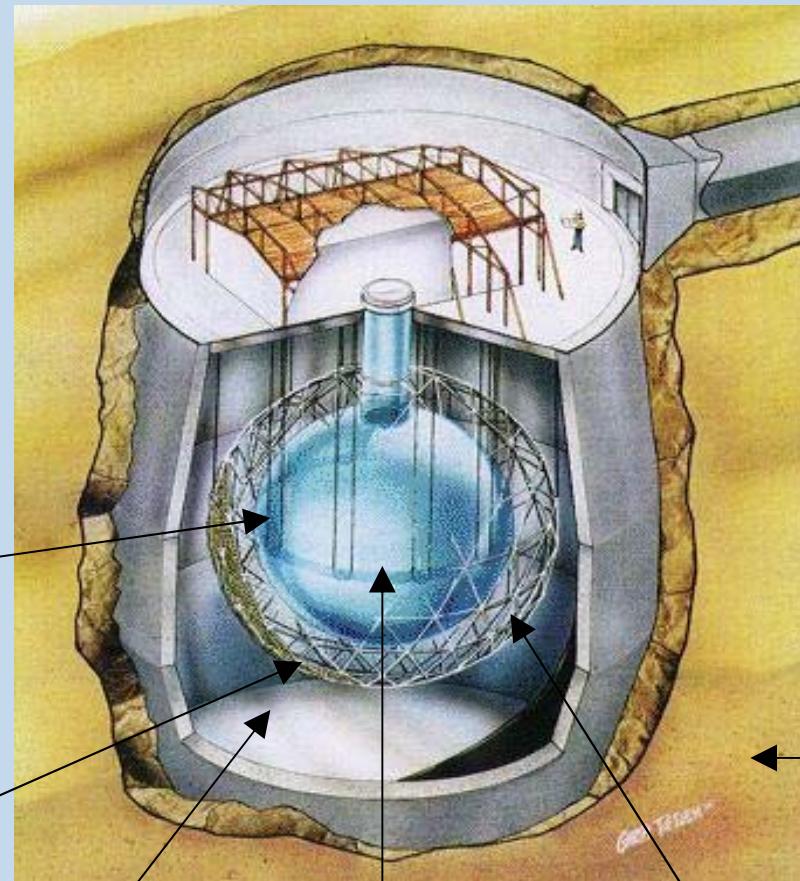
# The SNO Detector



2039 m to surface

12 m diameter  
Acrylic vessel

PMT Support  
Structure (PSUP)



9438 Inward-Looking PMTs

91 Outward Looking PMTs  
(Veto)

Norite Rock

5300 tonnes light water      1000 tonnes heavy water      1700 tonnes light water

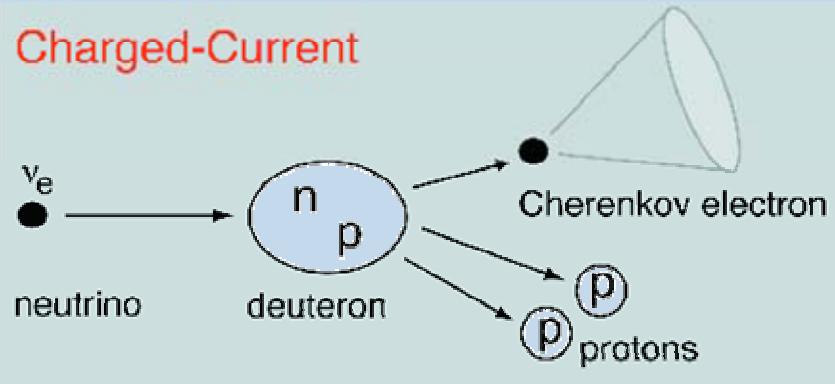
# Neutrino Reactions in SNO

cc



- $Q = 1.445 \text{ MeV}$
- good measurement of  $\nu_e$  energy spectrum
- some directional info  $\propto (1 - 1/3 \cos\theta)$
- $\nu_e$  only

Charged-Current

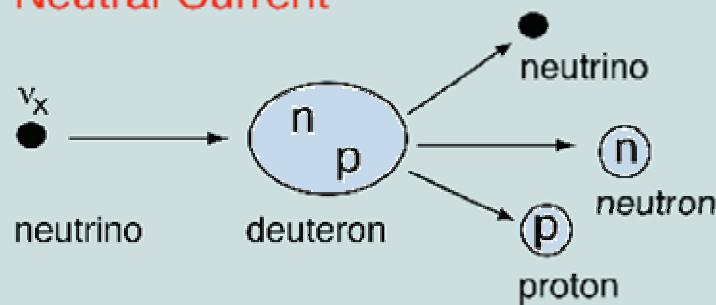


NC



- $Q = 2.22 \text{ MeV}$
- measures total  $^8\text{B}$   $\nu$  flux from the Sun
- equal cross section for all  $\nu$  types

Neutral-Current

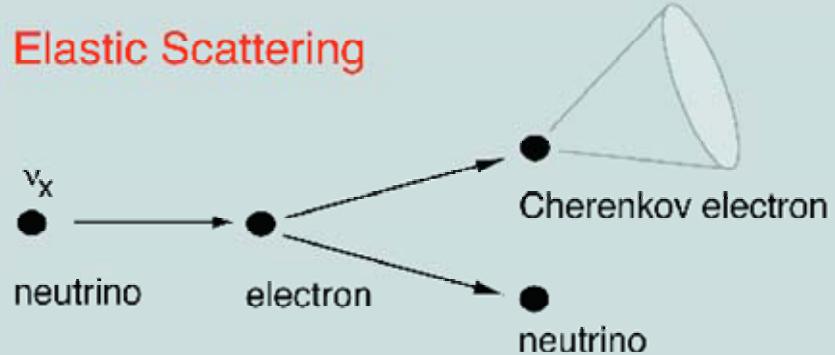


ES



- low statistics
- mainly sensitive to  $\nu_e$ , some  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$
- strong directional sensitivity

Elastic Scattering



# SNO Data Taking Phases

Phase I (pure D<sub>2</sub>O):

Neutron capture on D

Single 6.25 MeV  $\gamma$

Statistical separation  
(Energy, radius)

High CC-NC correlation

Phase II  
(dissolved salt):

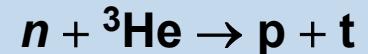
Neutron capture on Cl

Multiple  $\gamma$ 's, 8.6 MeV

Statistical separation  
(Isotropy)

Better CC-NC separation

Phase III  
(<sup>3</sup>He n counters):



Independent  
channel

NC uncorrelated to CC

Past

Present

Future

# What have we done so far?



# The Pure D<sub>2</sub>O Phase Dataset

- Livetime: 306.4 days (November 2, 1999 → May 27, 2001)  
Day: 128.5 days      Night: 177.9 days
- Energy Threshold: 5 MeV Kinetic
- Fiducial Volume Cut: 550 cm
- Total Number of Events after cuts: 2928  
Neutron Bkg  $78^{+12}_{-12}$  Cherenkov Bkg  $45^{+18}_{-12}$

The data set is used for a hypothesis test of no neutrino oscillations by assuming no MSW distortion and comparing NC and CC. rates

# Signal Extraction Results – Pure D<sub>2</sub>O Phase

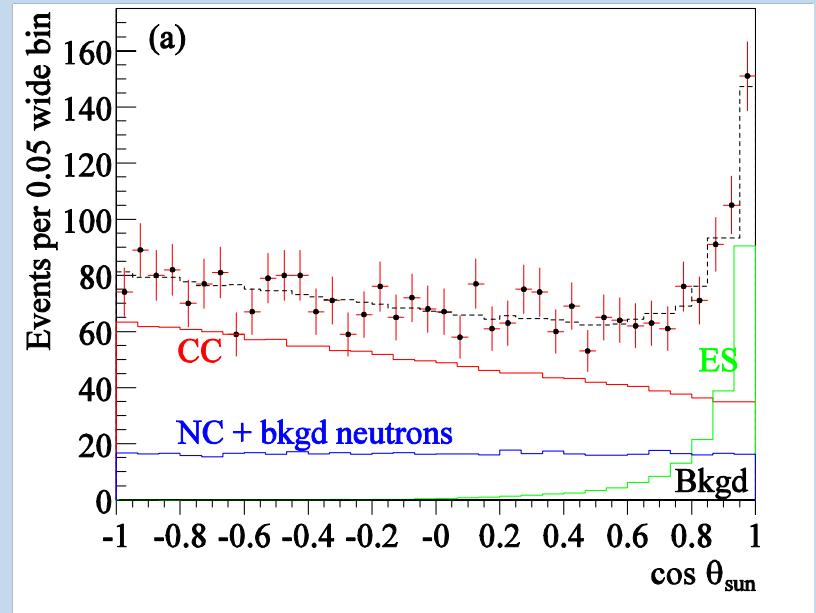
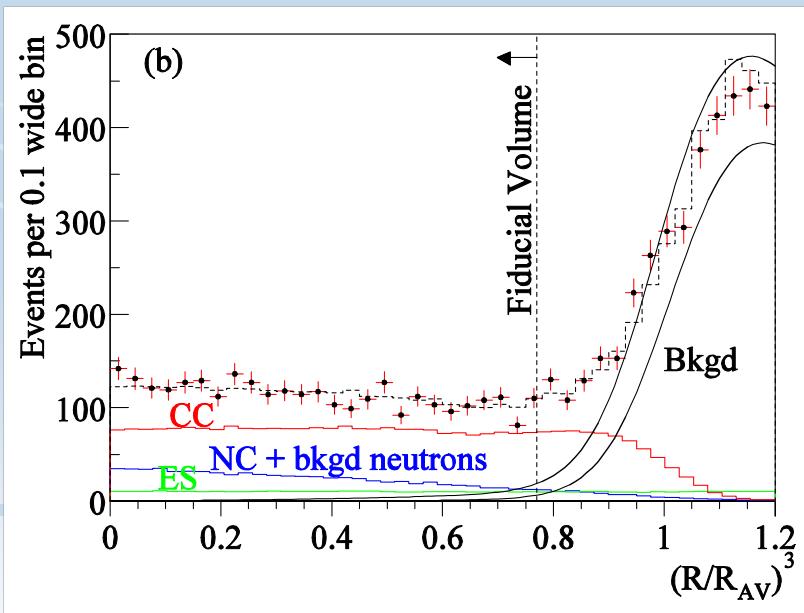
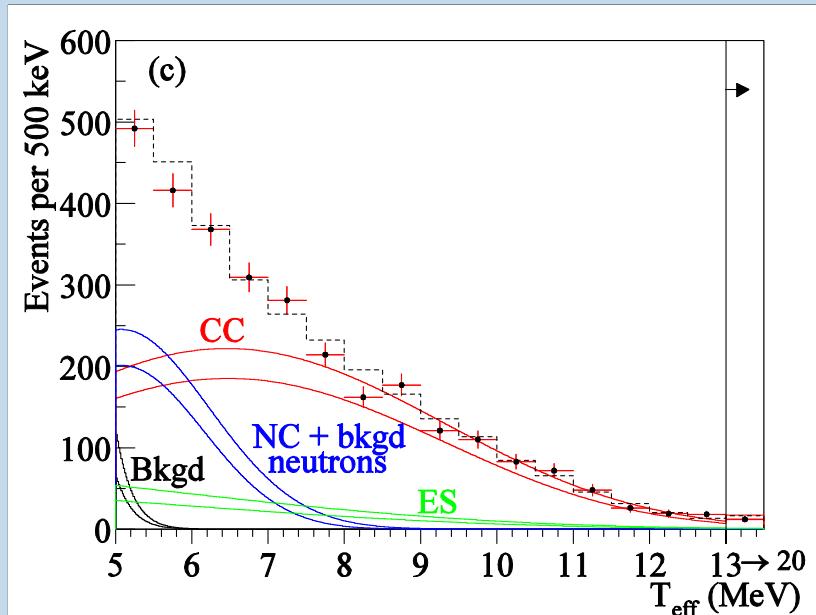
306.4 Live Days

#EVENTS

**CC** **1967.7** <sup>+61.9</sup><sub>+60.9</sub>

**ES** **263.6** <sup>+26.4</sup><sub>+25.6</sub>

**NC** **576.5** <sup>+49.5</sup><sub>+48.9</sub>



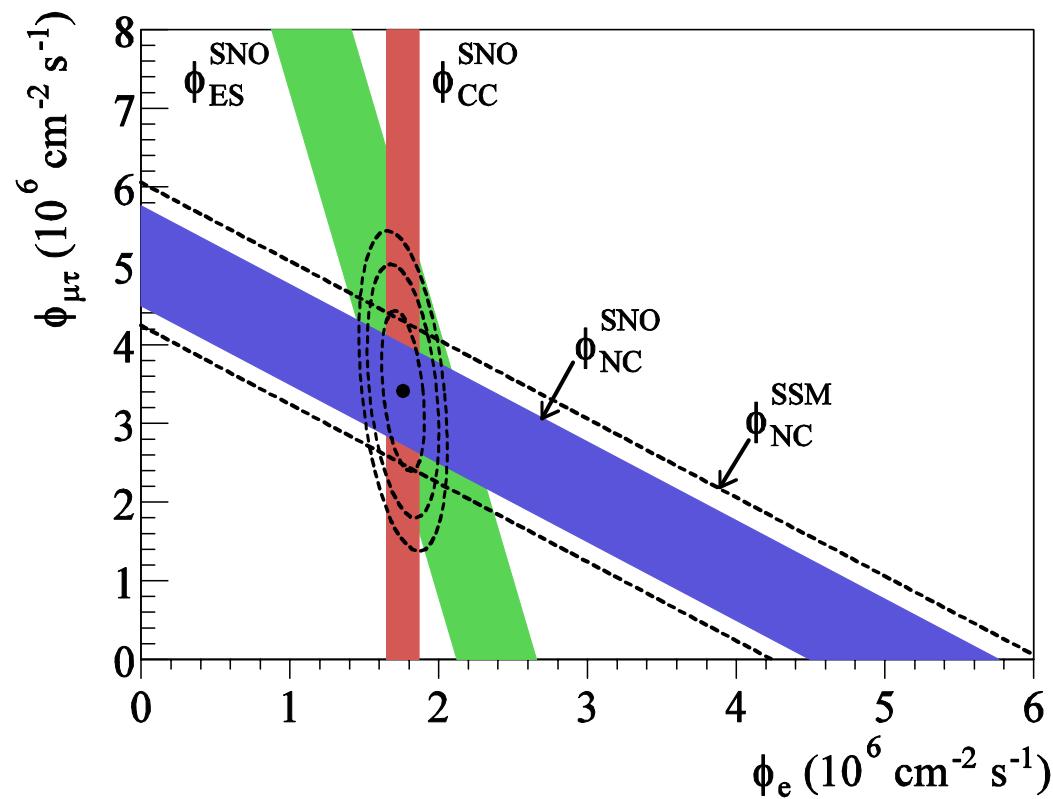
# Flux Results – Pure D<sub>2</sub>O Phase

$$\Phi_e = 1.76^{+0.05}_{-0.05} (stat.)^{+0.09}_{-0.09} (syst.) \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\Phi_{\mu\tau} = 3.41^{+0.45}_{-0.45} (stat.)^{+0.48}_{-0.45} (syst.) \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

5.3 $\sigma$  effect

Neutrinos Massive



Constrained Fit for  
flavour change test

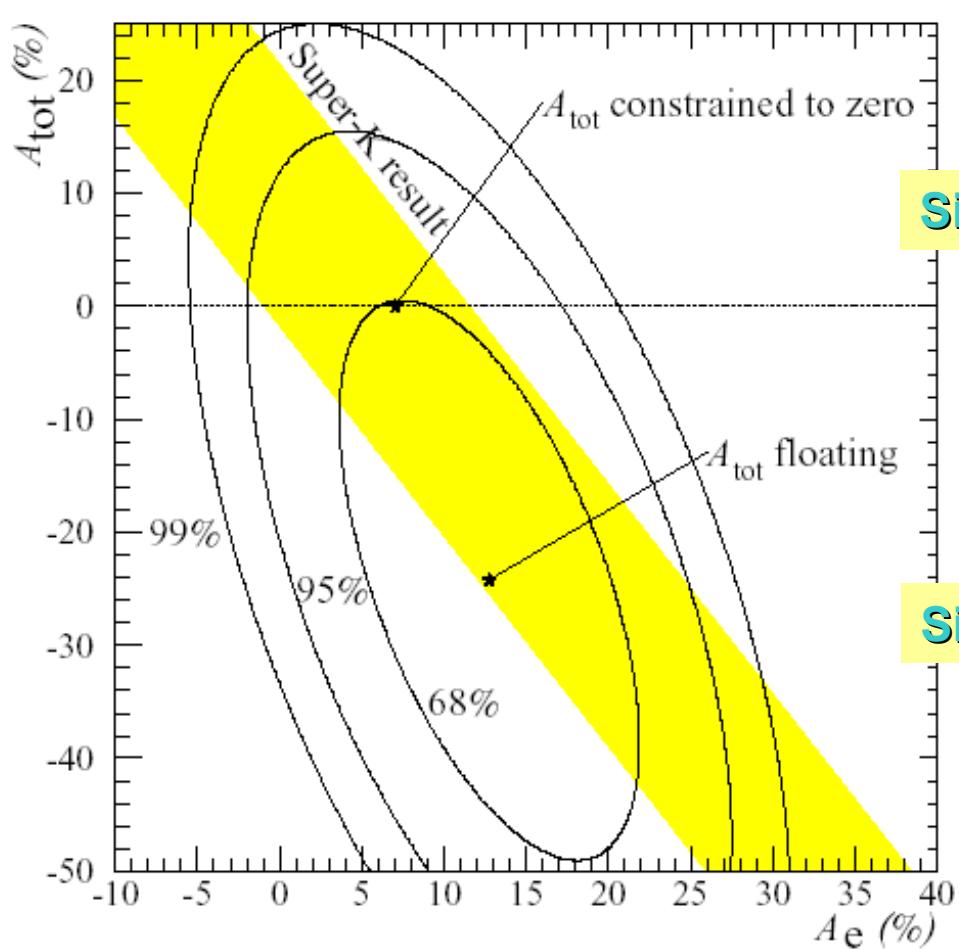
$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{\text{SSM}} &= 5.05^{+1.01}_{-0.81} \\ \Phi_{\text{SNO}} &= 5.09^{+(0.44 \oplus 0.46)}_{-(0.43 \oplus 0.43)}\end{aligned}$$

Without Constraint

$$\Phi_{\text{SNO}} = 6.42^{+(1.57 \oplus 0.55)}_{-(1.57 \oplus 0.58)}$$

# Day/Night Asymmetry

$$A_x = \frac{2(\Phi_x^{\text{night}} - \Phi_x^{\text{day}})}{(\Phi_x^{\text{night}} + \Phi_x^{\text{day}})}$$



**Signal Extraction in  $\Phi_{\text{CC}}$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{NC}}$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{ES}}$ :**

$$A_{\text{cc}} = 14.0 \pm 6.3^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$$

$$A_{\text{nc}} = 20.4 \pm 16.9^{+2.4}_{-2.5}$$

**Signal Extraction in  $\Phi_e$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{total}}$ ,**

$$A_e = 12.8 \pm 6.2^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$$

$$A_{\text{tot}} = -24.2 \pm 16.1^{+2.4}_{-2.5}$$

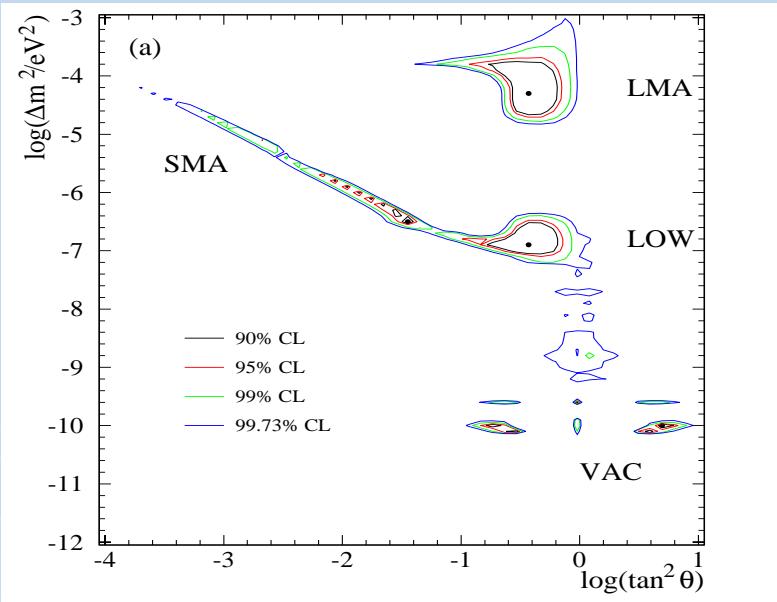
**Signal Extraction in  $\Phi_e$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{total}}$ ,  $+ A_{\text{total}} = 0$**

$$A_e = 7.0 \pm 4.9^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$$

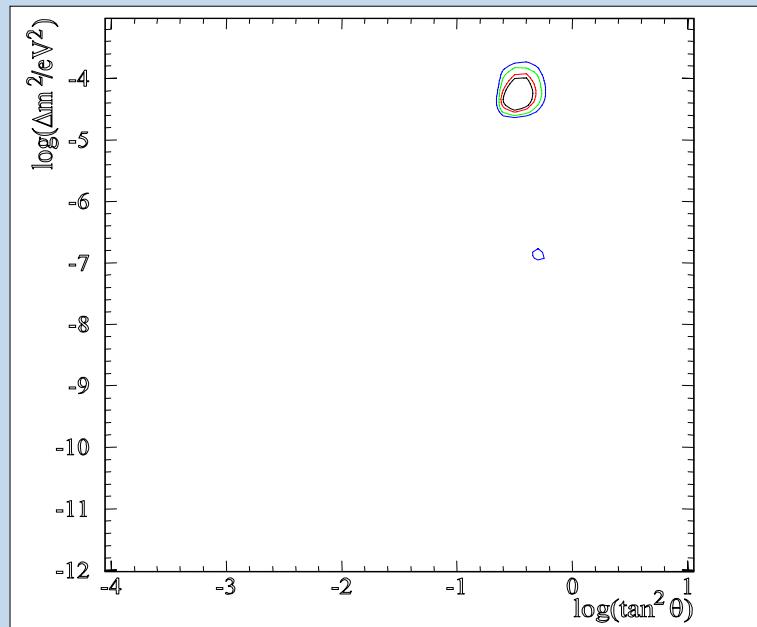
$$A_e^{\text{sk}} = 5.3 \pm 3.7^{+2.0}_{-1.7}$$

# Physics Interpretation: MSW Parameters

## SNO Day and Night Energy Spectra Alone



## Combining All Experimental and Solar Model information



| region | $\chi^2/\text{dof}$ | $\phi_B/\text{SSM}$ | $A_e$ | $\Delta m^2 (\text{eV}^2)$ | $\tan^2\theta$ | CL    |
|--------|---------------------|---------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------------|-------|
| LMA    | 57/72               | 1.16                | 6.4%  | $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$       | 0.34           | ---   |
| LOW    | 68/72               | 0.98                | 5.9%  | $1.3 \times 10^{-7}$       | 0.55           | 99.5% |

# What are we doing now?

solar *neutrino* problem  
**neutrino parameters puzzle?**



# Salt Dataset

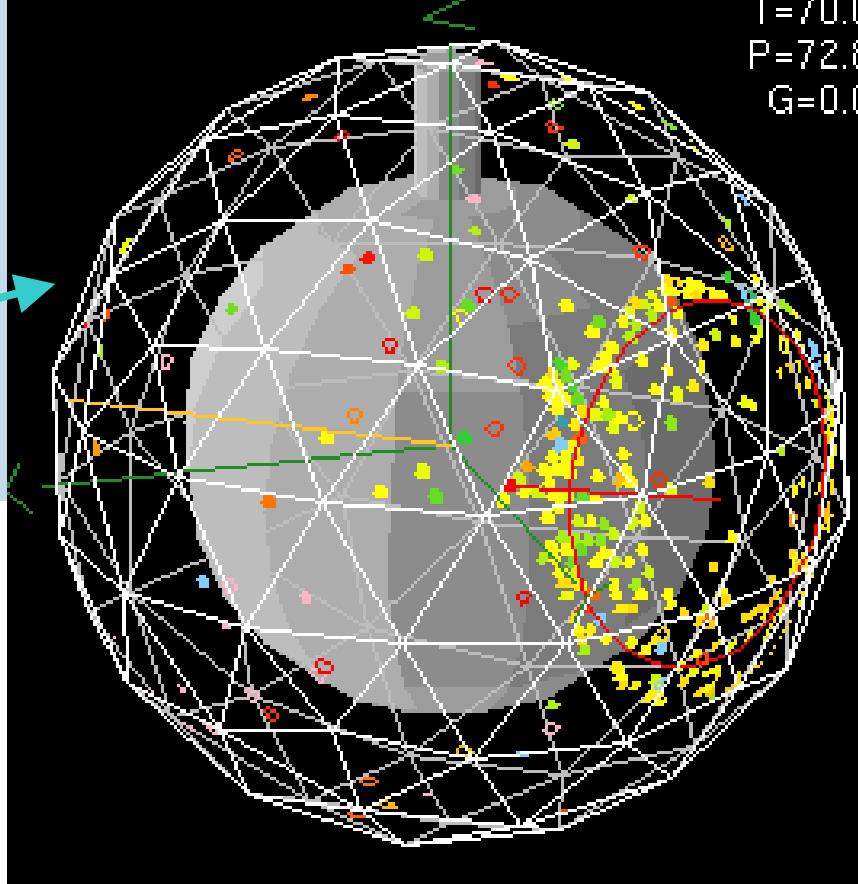
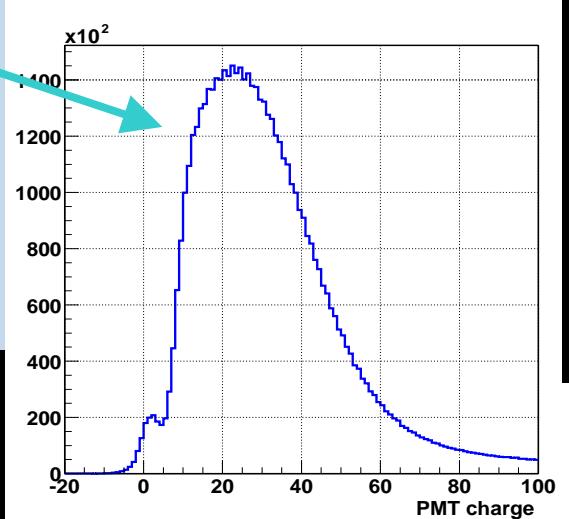
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- Salt added to detector
  - May 27, 2001 to October 10, 2002
  - 503 days
  - 288.8 neutrino live-days (57.4%)
- 
- improved NC statistics
  - improved CC-NC separation from isotropy
    - improved measurement of CC/NC ratio
    - precision unconstrained result
    - improved day/night result

# What We Measure

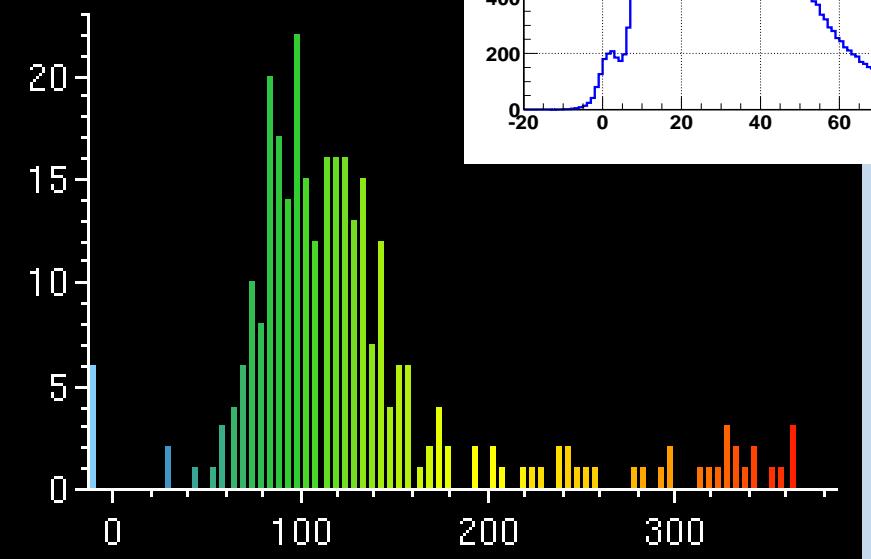
## PMT Measurements

- position
- charge
- time

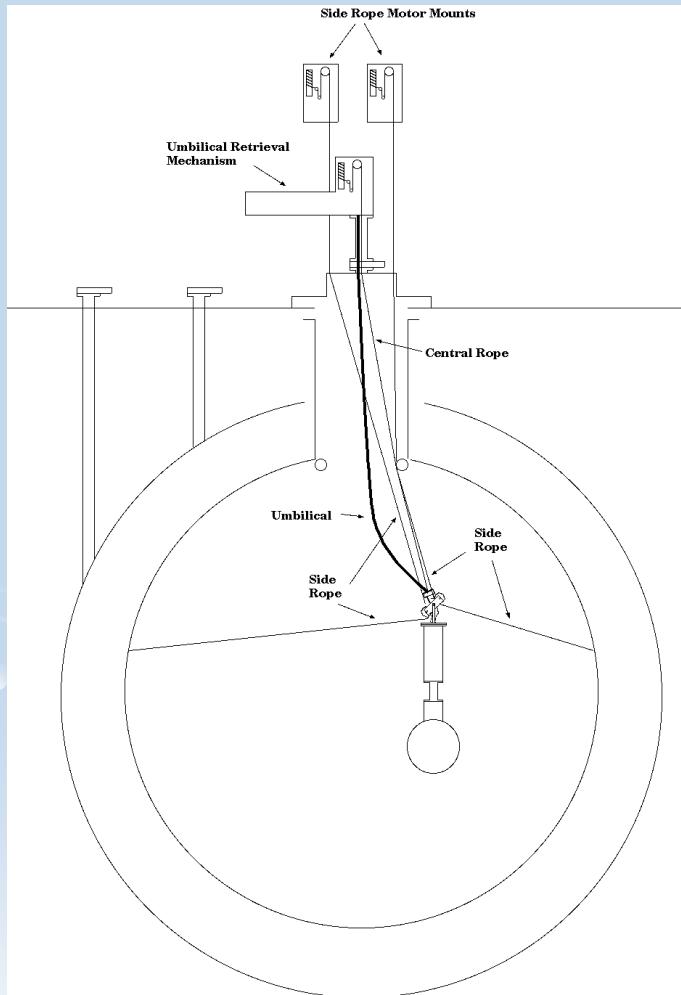


## Reconstructed Event

- event vertex
- event direction
- energy
- isotropy



# Detector Calibration



Optics  
Energy  
Event Reconstruction  
Neutron Capture  
Backgrounds

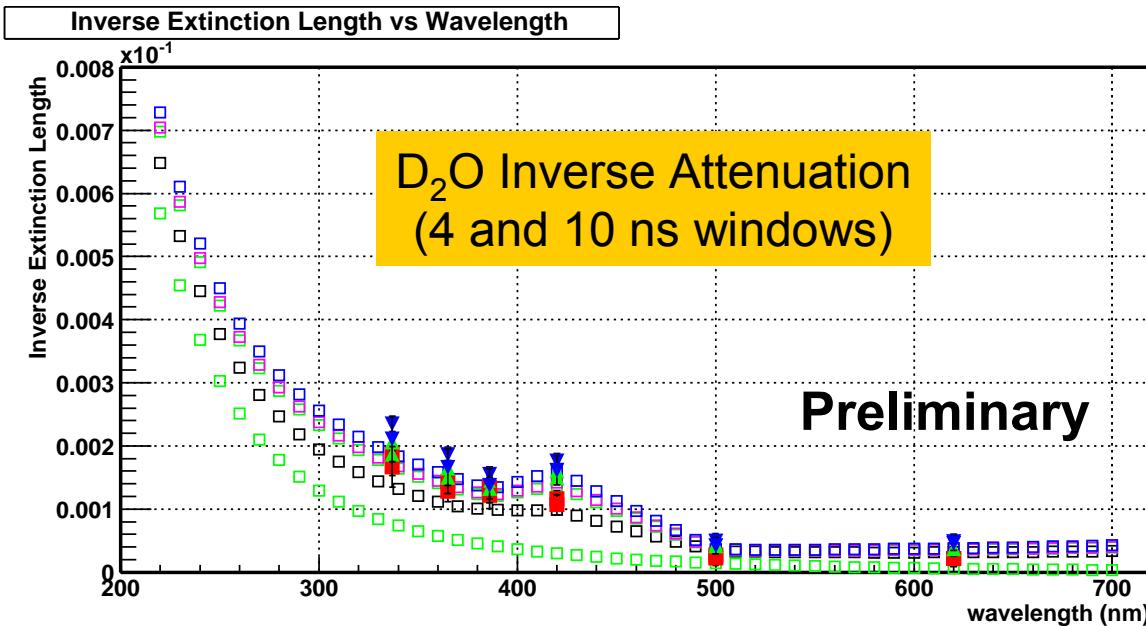
## Tools

Pulsed Laser      337nm to 620 nm  
16N      6.13 MeV  $\gamma$ 's  
3H( $p,\gamma$ )4He      19.8 MeV  $\gamma$ 's  
8Li      <13.0 MeV  $\beta$ 's  
252Cf      neutrons  
U/Th      214Bi & 208Tl  $\beta-\gamma$ 's  
*Monte Carlo*

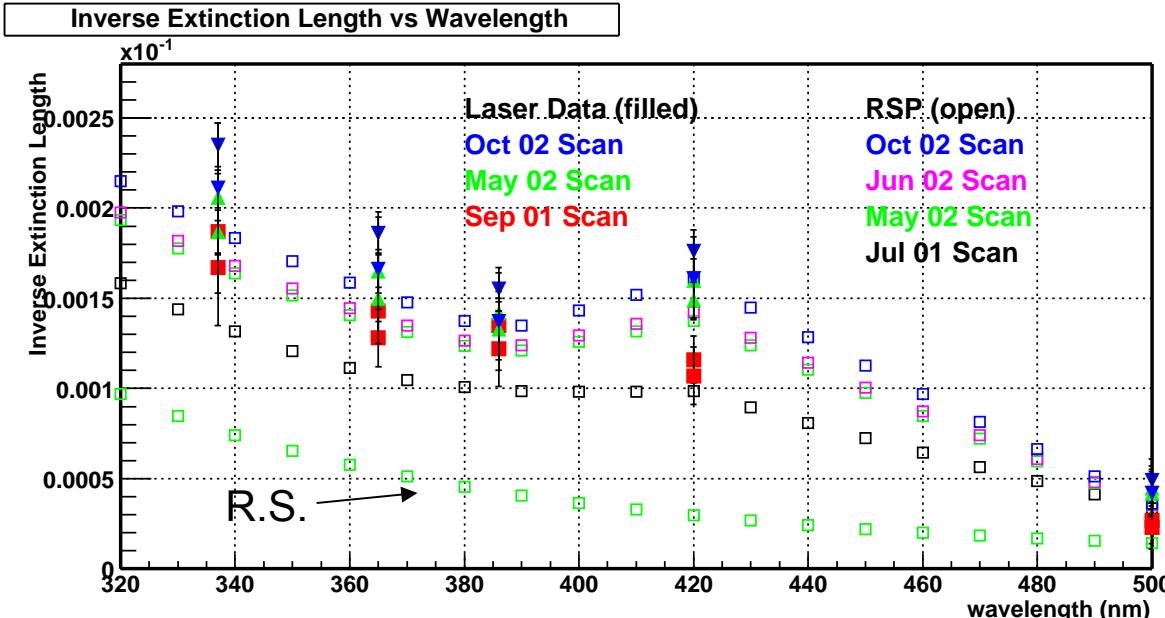
# Optical Measurements from Laserball

## Optical Constants

- ⇒ laser at 6 wavelengths
- ⇒ scan through detector
- D<sub>2</sub>O Attenuation
- H<sub>2</sub>O+AV attenuation
- PMT Angular Response
- Rayleigh Scattering

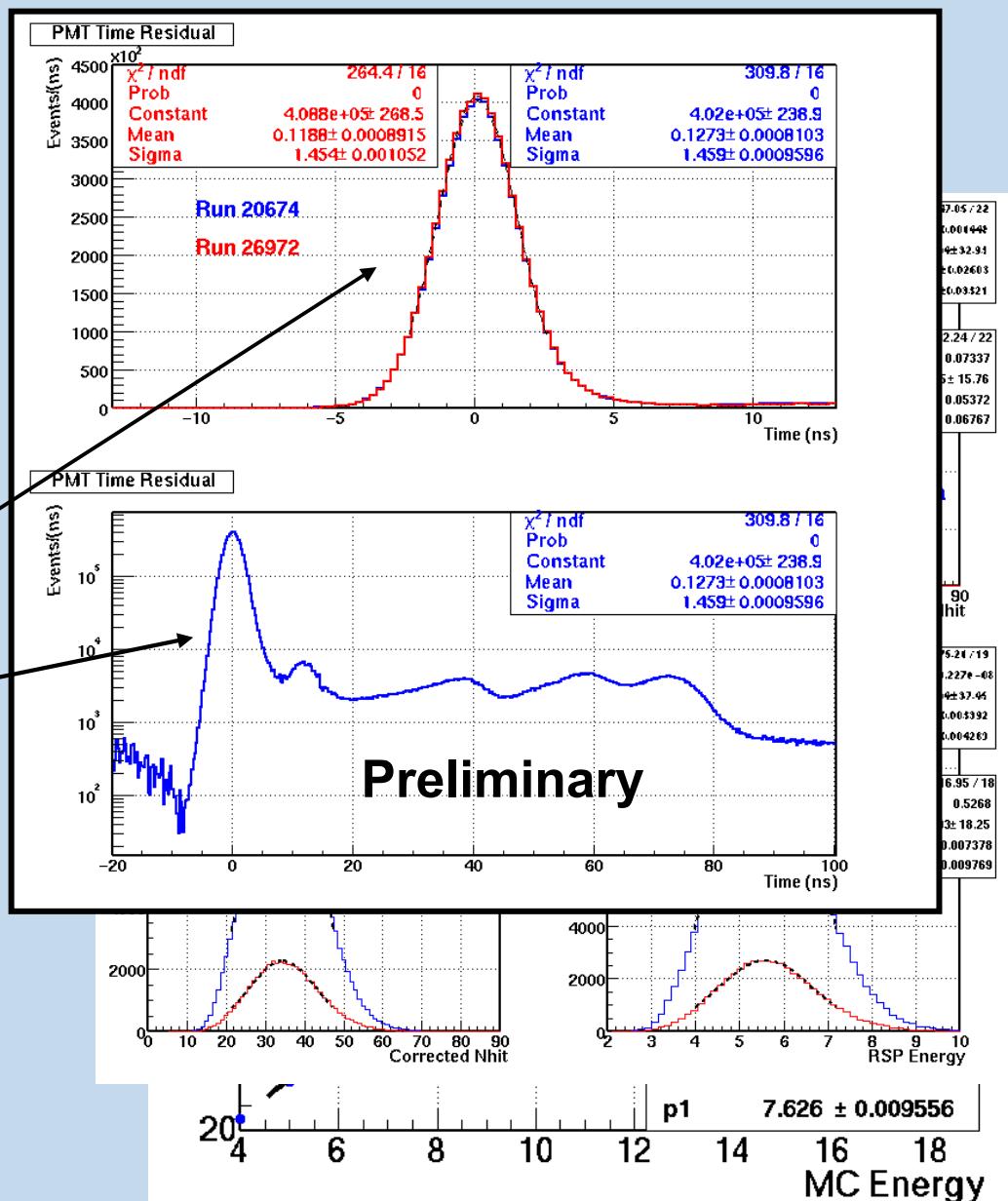


Calibration used for  
-MC simulation  
-Energy calibration  
-Check systematics



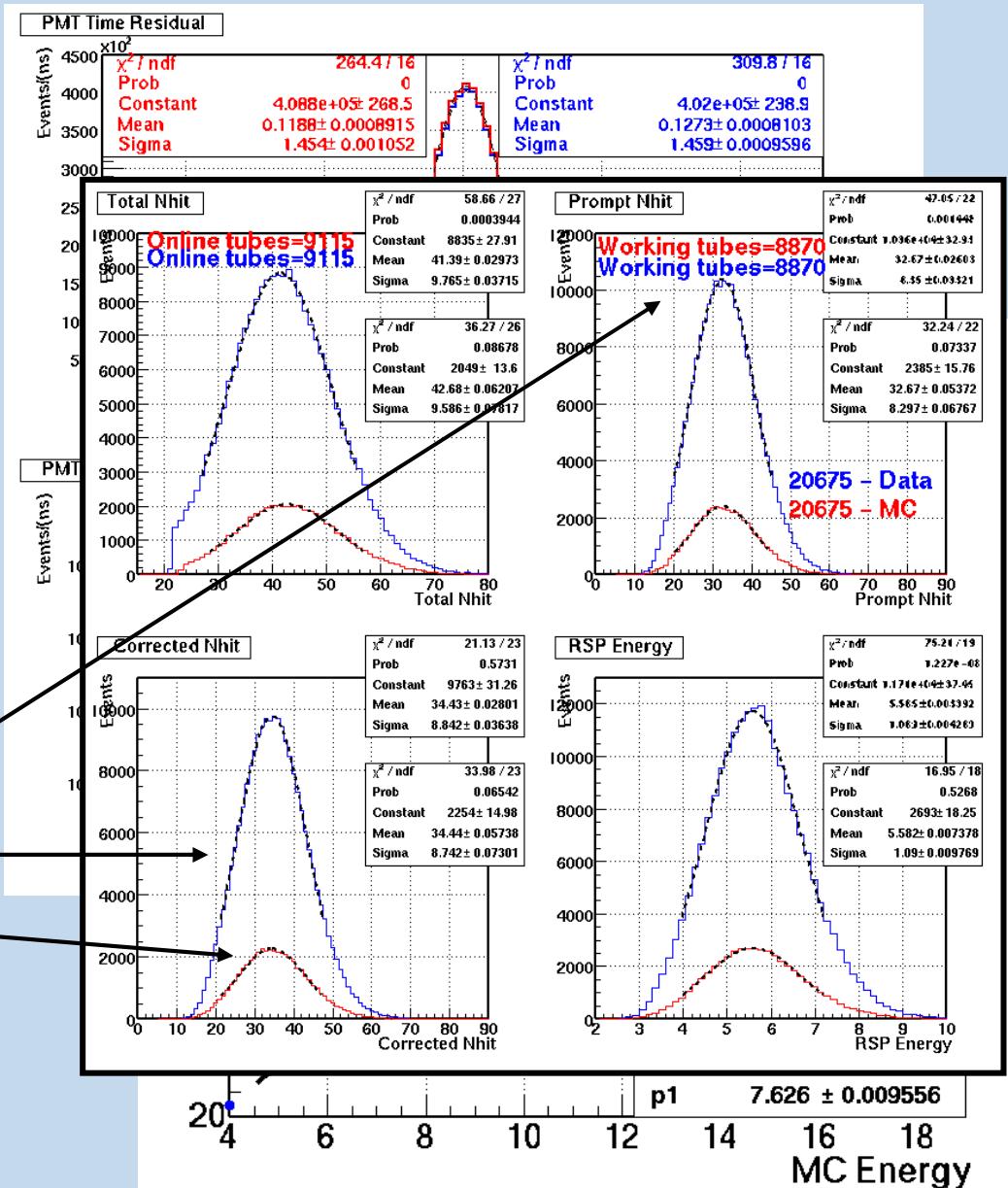
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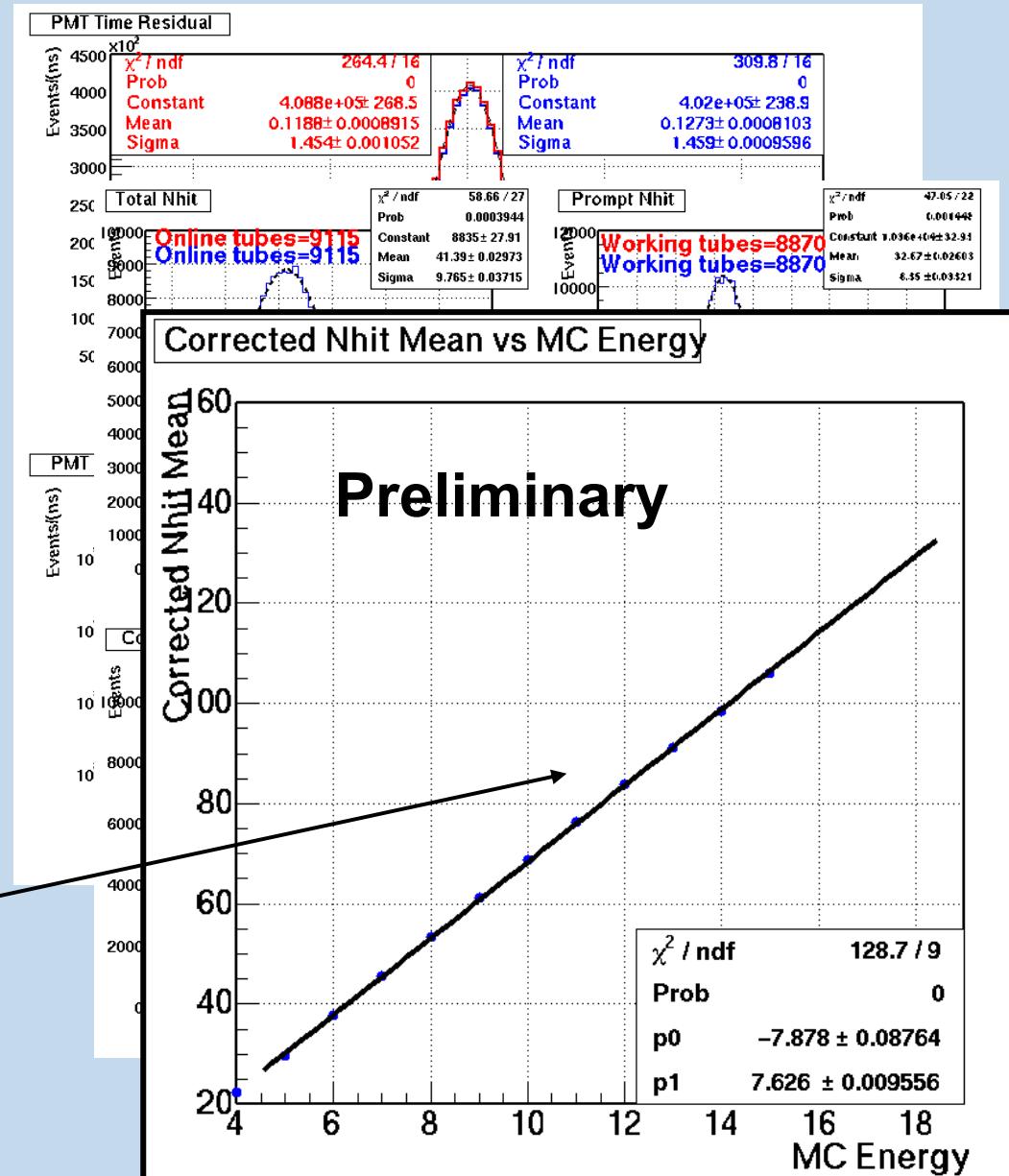


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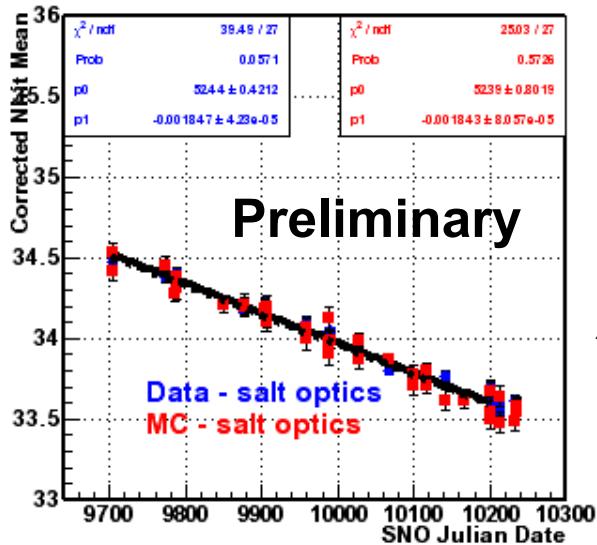
**Energy Calibration**

- Prompt Time
- Detector State Corrections
- Optical Correction to Centre
- $^{16}\text{N}$  to set scale
- MC table MeV/Hits
- Energy Resolution Function

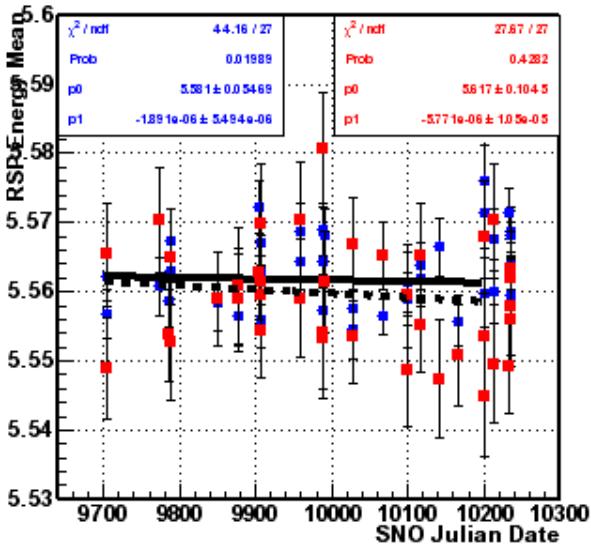


# Energy Systematics

Corrected Nhit Mean vs Julian Date



RSP Energy Mean vs Julian Date

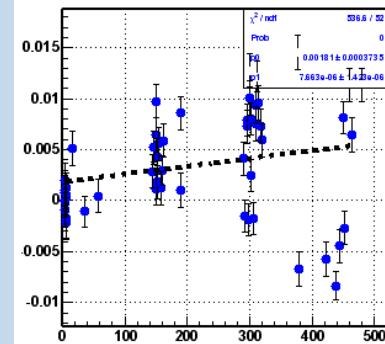


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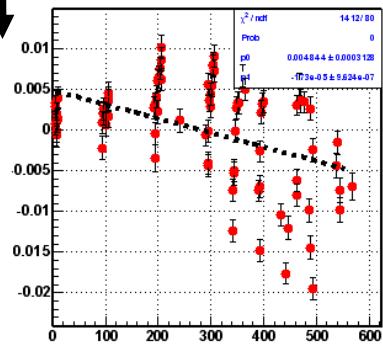
Detector State  
Stability  $\Rightarrow$  16N Runs  
Optical Model  
Radial/Asymmetry  
Studies  
Timing

Total Uncertainty ~1-2%

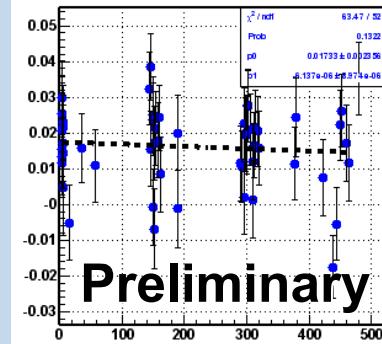
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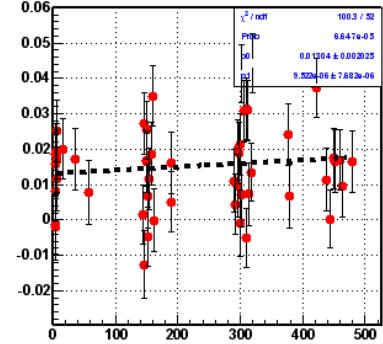
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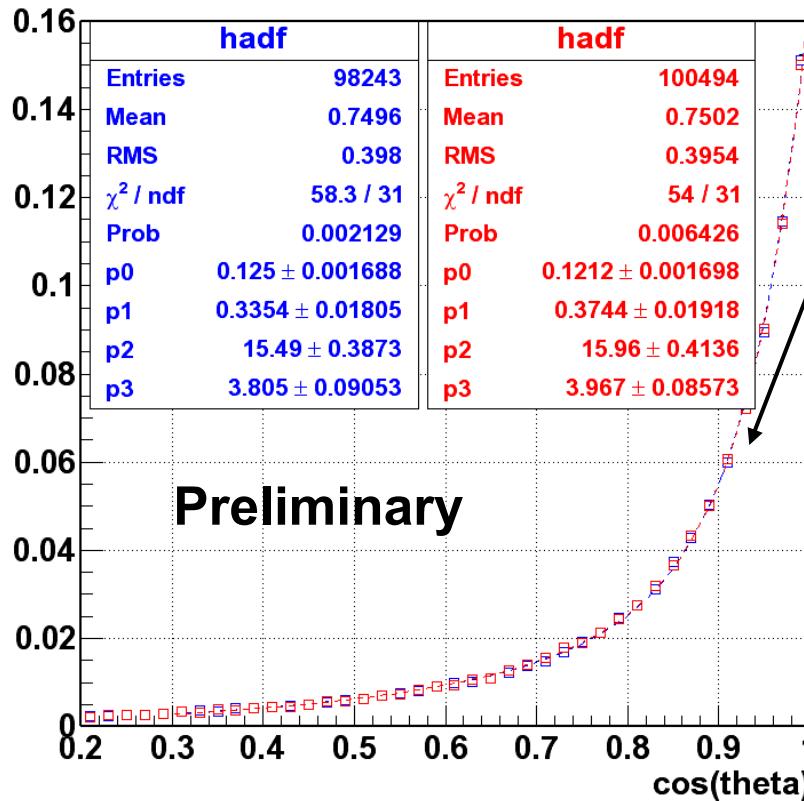
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Preliminary

# Angular Resolution

Angle between Fit and 'Generated' Direction

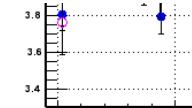
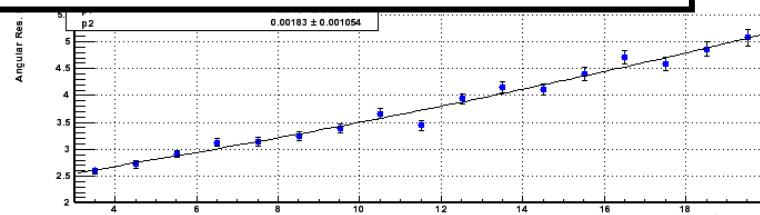
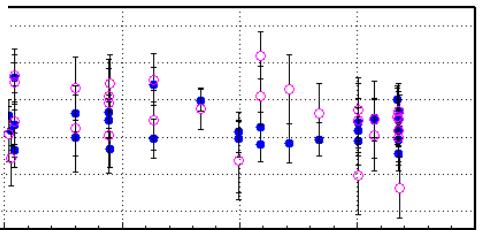
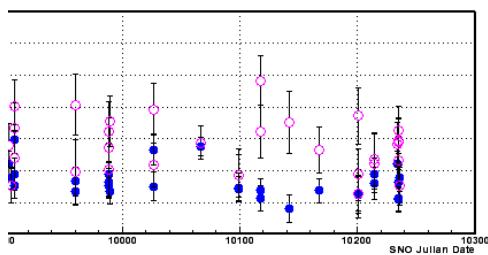
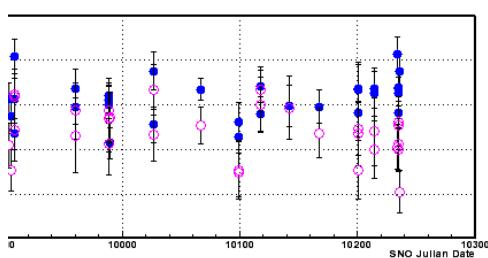


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electron MC gives nominal values

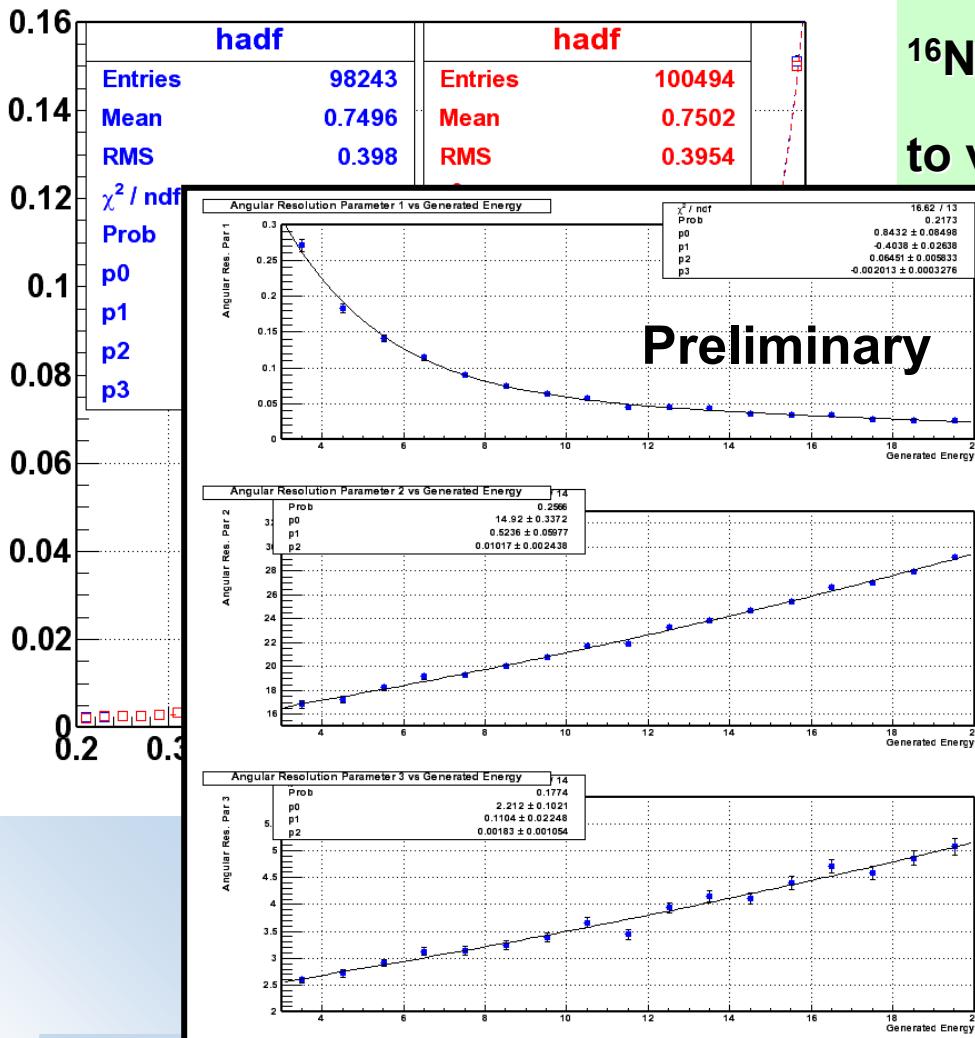
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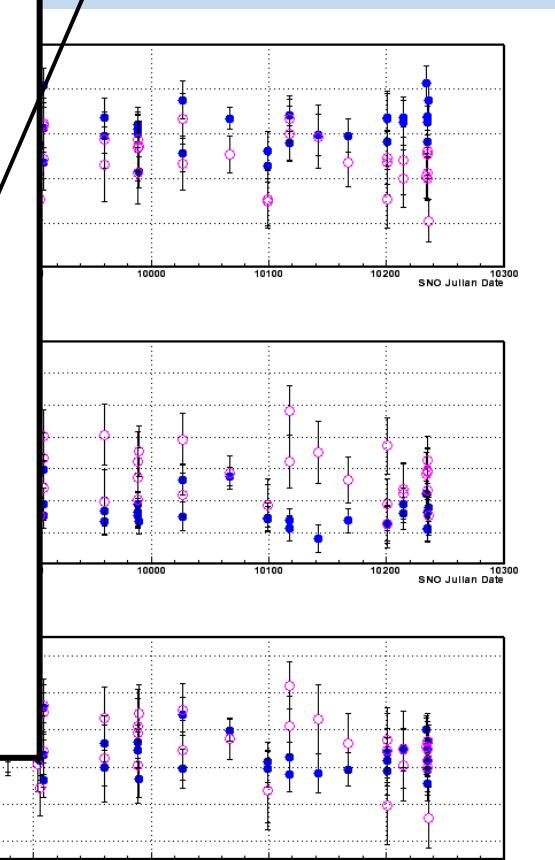


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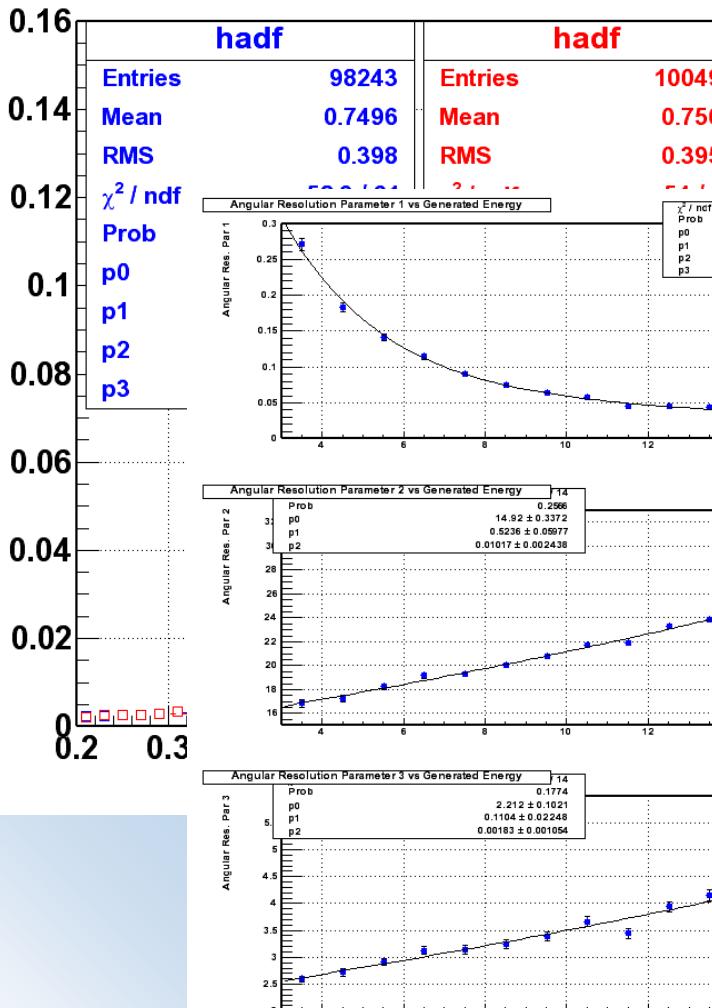
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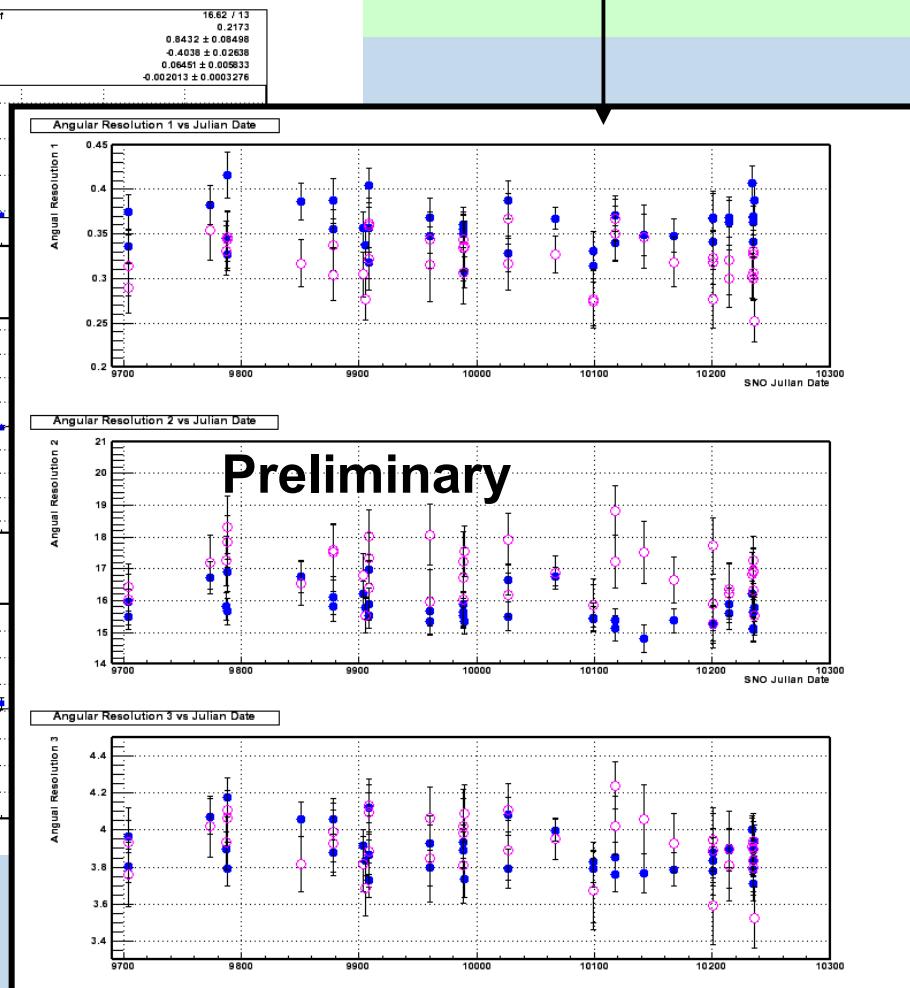


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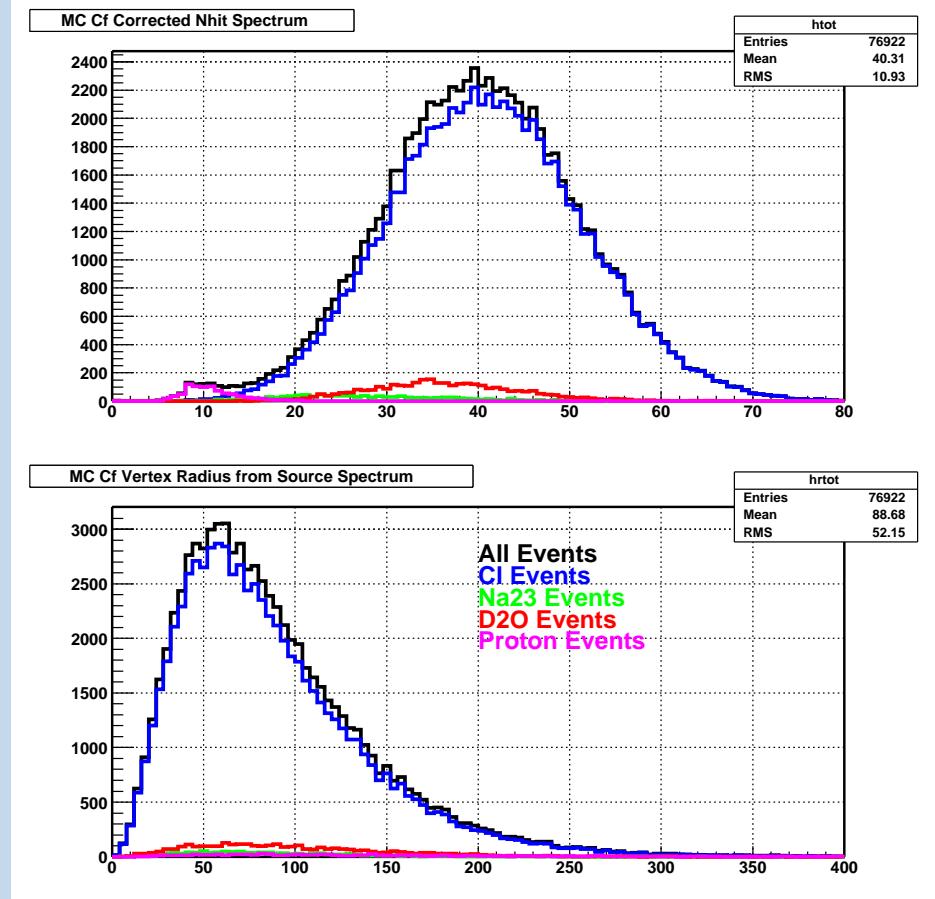
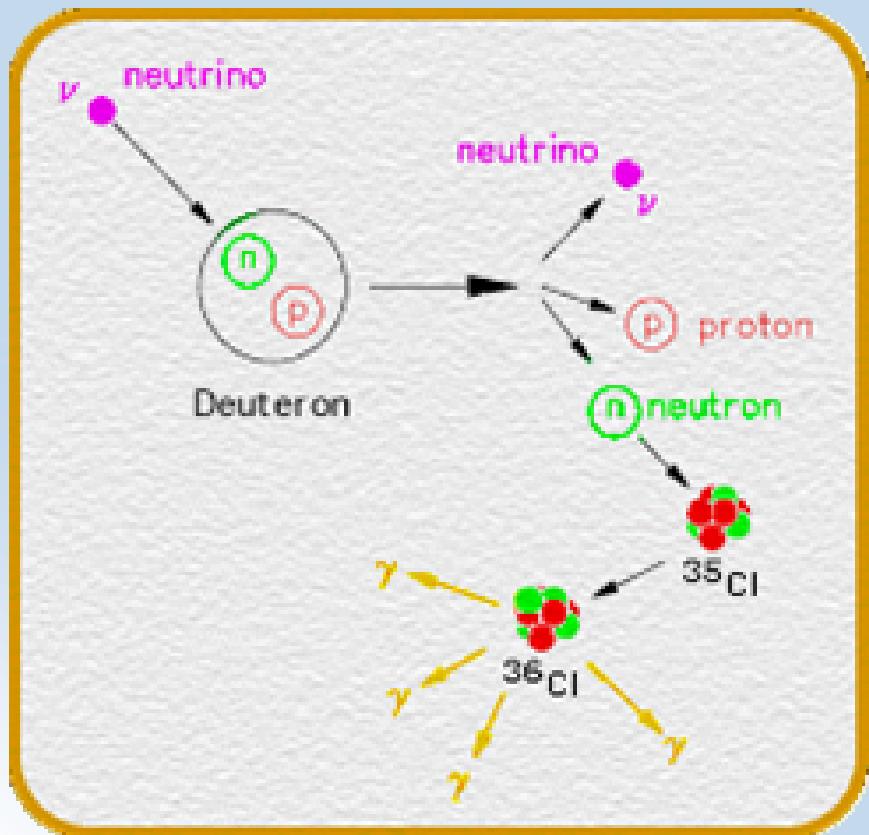
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# Neutrons in Salt

Capture on  $^{35}\text{Cl} \Rightarrow ^{36}\text{Cl}$  cascade

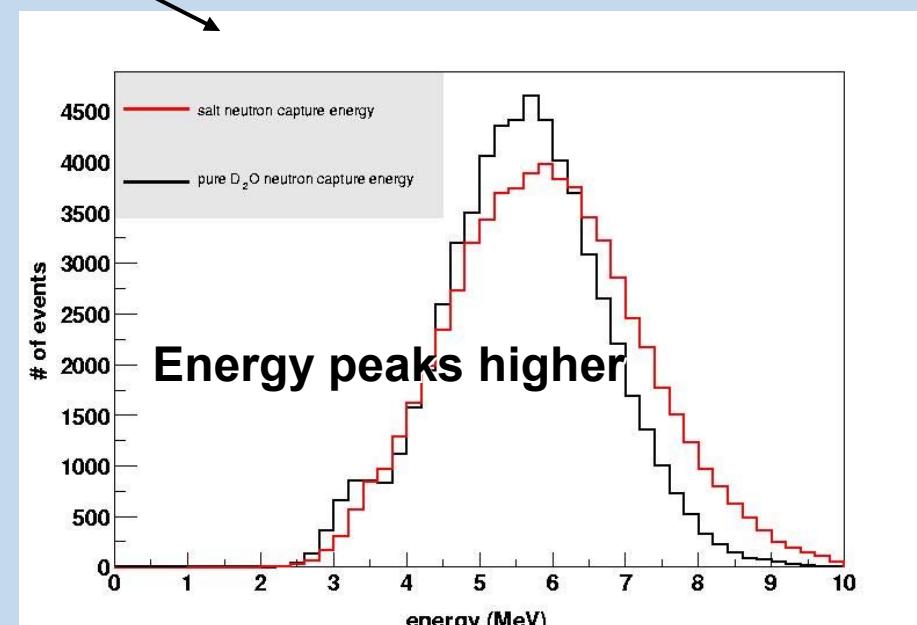
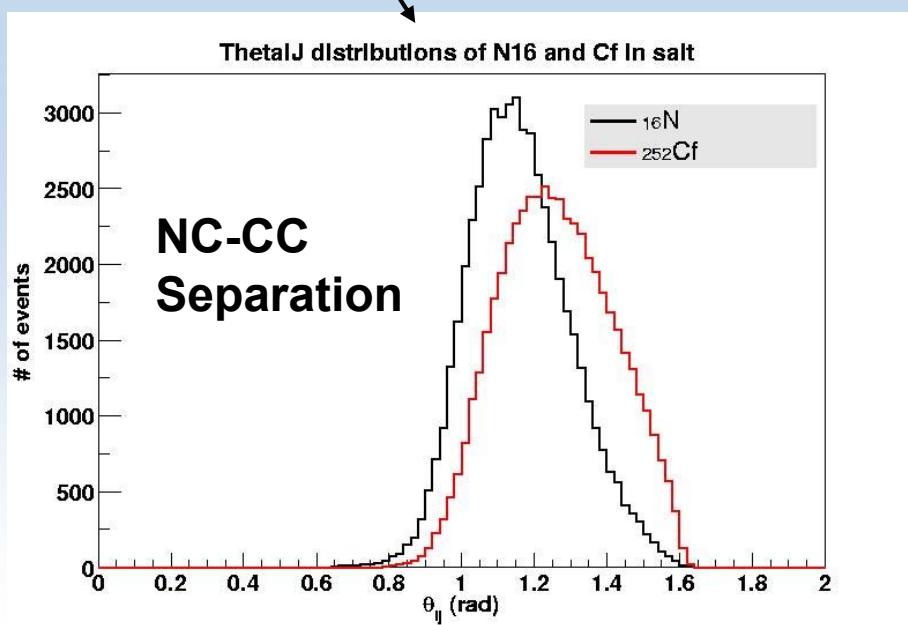
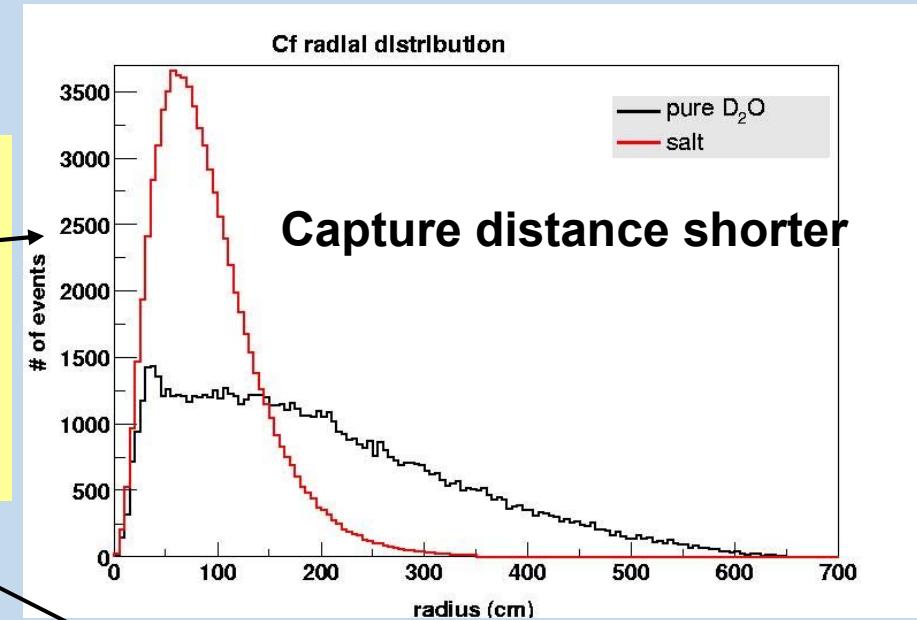
- Multi-photon events  $\Rightarrow$  isotropy
- Energy peaks higher



# Neutron Distributions in Salt

Cl capture changes response distributions:

- Radial Profile
- Energy Spectrum
- Isotropy Distribution



# Neutron Response

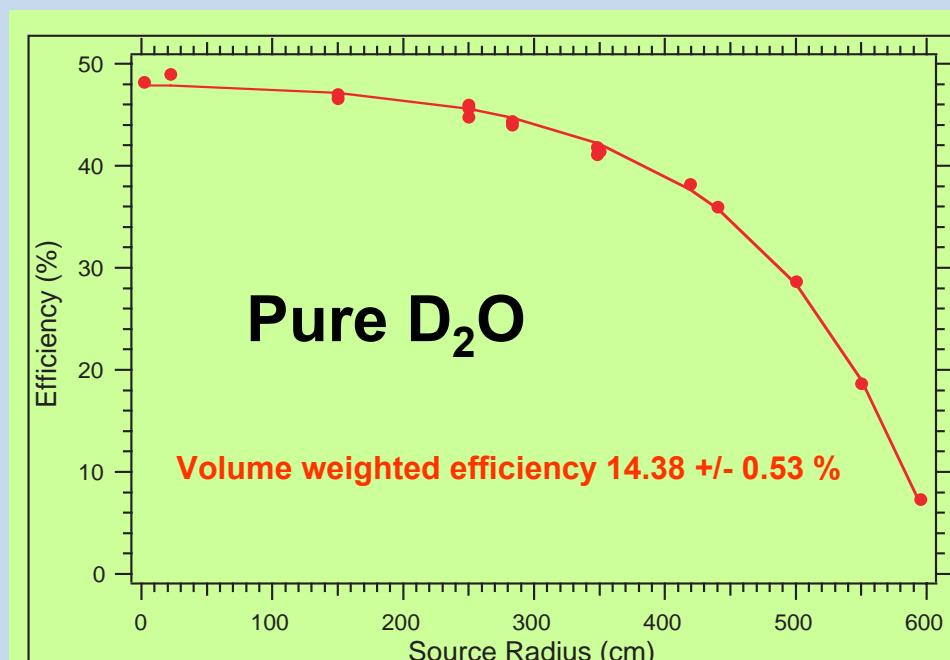
Factor of ~3-4 increase in stats

- larger capture cross-section
- energy response peaks higher

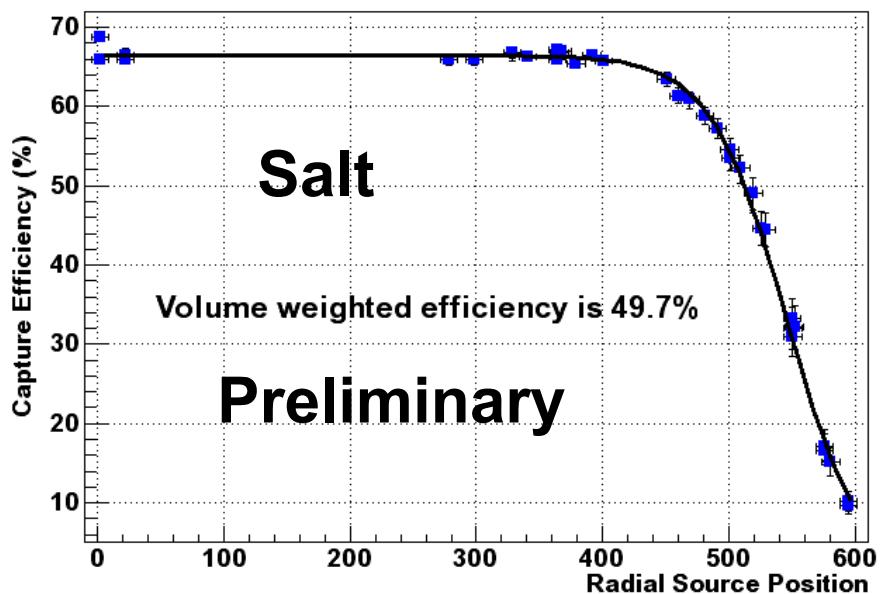
Systematics Include:

- energy scale and resolution
- vertex reconstruction
- source position
- $^{252}\text{Cf}$  source strength
- burst selection
- background

Total  $\Rightarrow$  Percent Level



Point Source Efficiencies Above 5.5MeV for Fiducial Volume < 550cm



# Signal Extraction

Unconstrained

Variables:  $E$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $\cos\theta_{\text{sun}}$ ,  $\theta_{ij}$

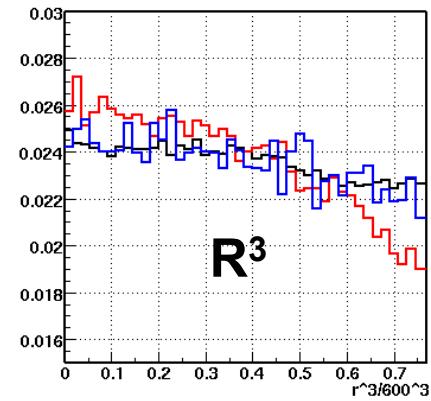
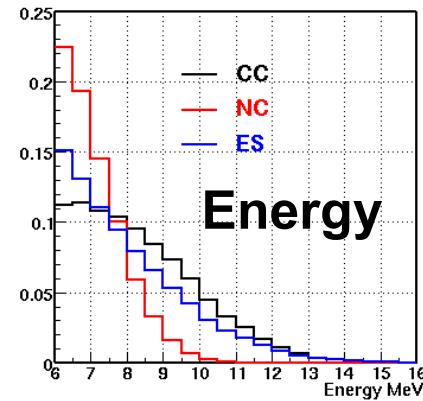
${}^8\text{B}$  Shape Constrained

| Signal                    | Bkg                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| CC<br>NC<br>ES } $\Phi_e$ | Cerenkov<br>Photodis. |
| Fit                       | Fix                   |
| Perturb<br>Variables      | Shift<br>PDF's        |

Extended ML Fit

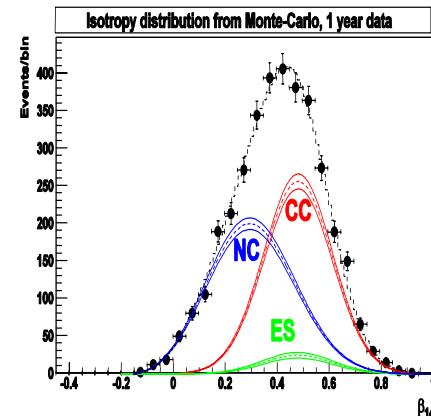
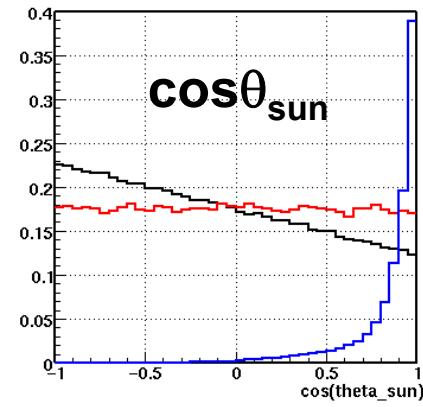
NC E higher

Less Rad. Sep.



⇒ Fluxes

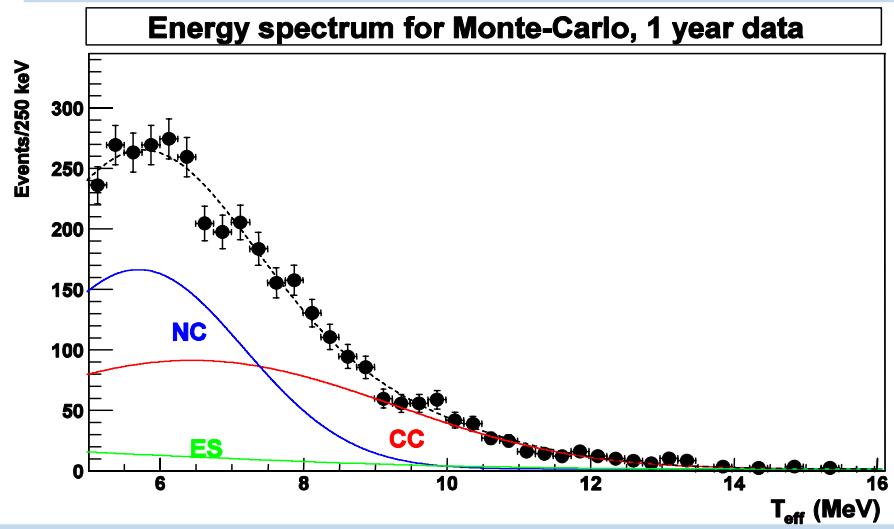
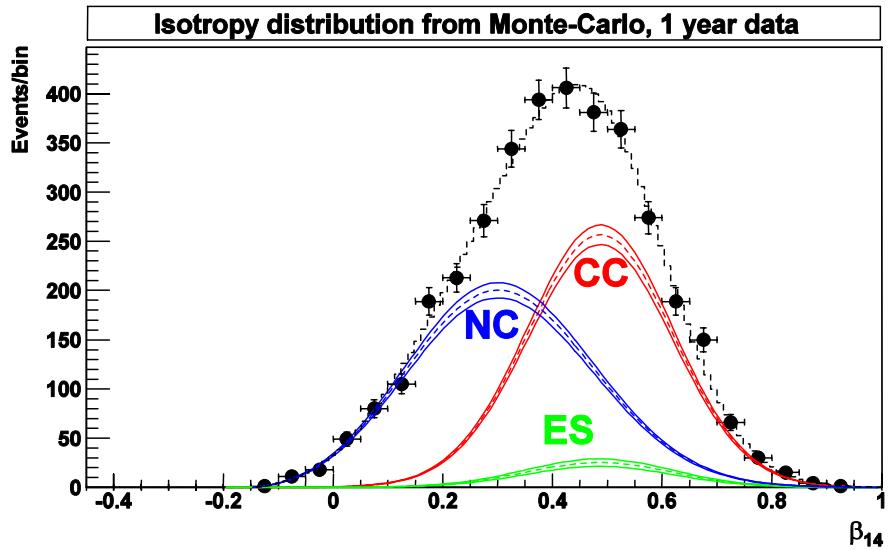
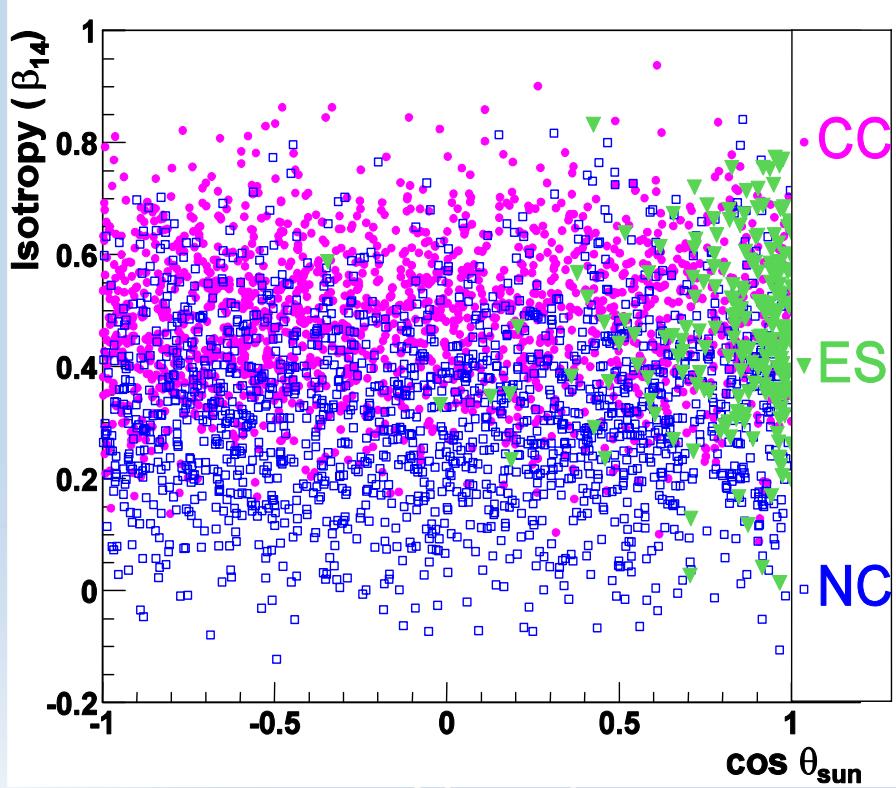
⇒ Systematic  
Uncertainties



Directionality  
Unchanged

Isotropy  
Separation!

# Statistical Signal Separation Using Angular Information



# Fit Result Uncertainties (Monte-Carlo)

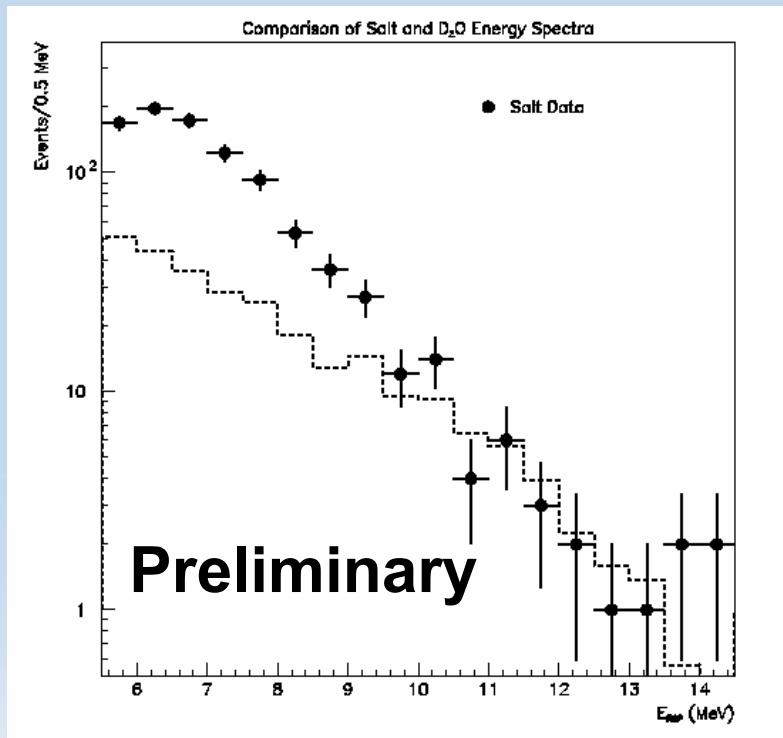
|                              | Variables                               | CC<br>Stat.<br>Error | NC<br>Stat.<br>Error | ES<br>Stat.<br>Error |
|------------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| D2O results                  | $E, R, \theta_{\text{sun}}$             | 3.4%                 | 8.6%                 | 10%                  |
| Simulated Salt Phase Results | $E, R, \theta_{\text{sun}}$             | 4.2%                 | 6.3%                 | 10%                  |
|                              | $E, R, \theta_{\text{sun}}, \text{Iso}$ | 3.3%                 | 4.6%                 | 10%                  |
|                              | $R, \theta_{\text{sun}}, \text{Iso}$    | 3.8%                 | 5.3%                 | 10%                  |

Published D2O energy-unconstrained stat. Error was 24%

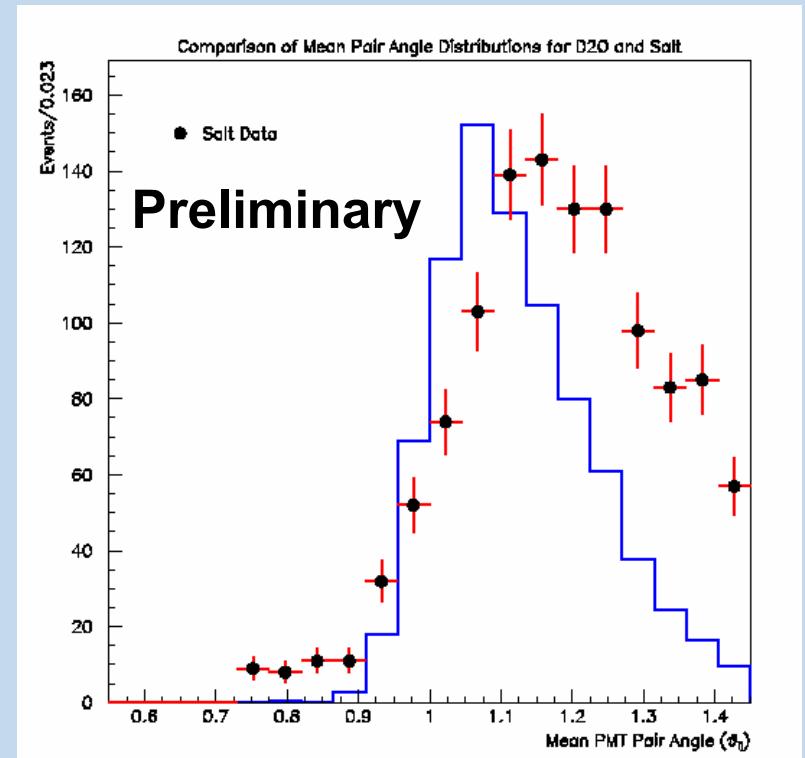
Simulations assume 1 yr of data with central values and cuts from D2O phase results

# Salt Phase data

Higher E and capture  $\sigma$  reduces background problem

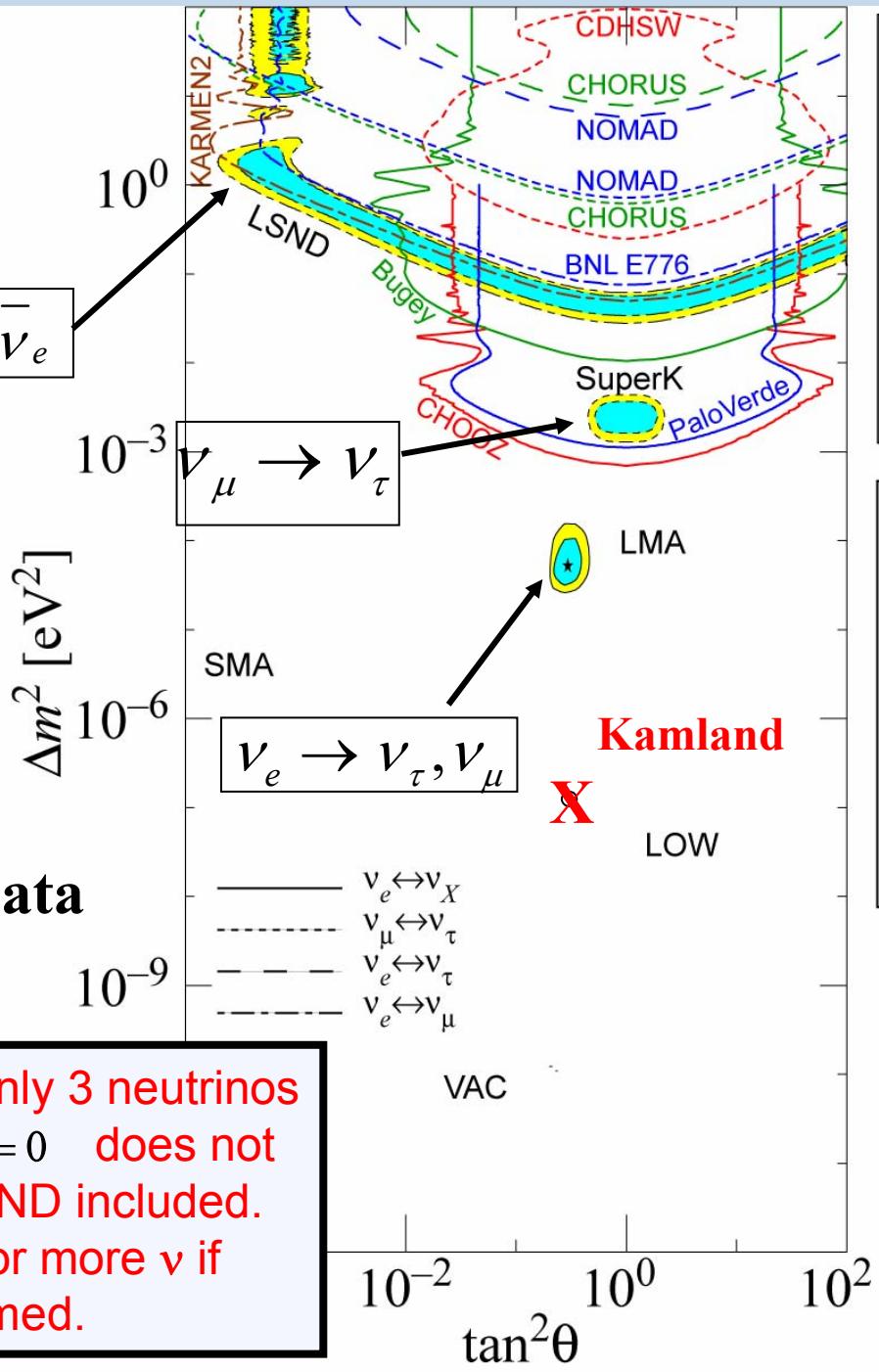


Event isotropy helps break signal covariances

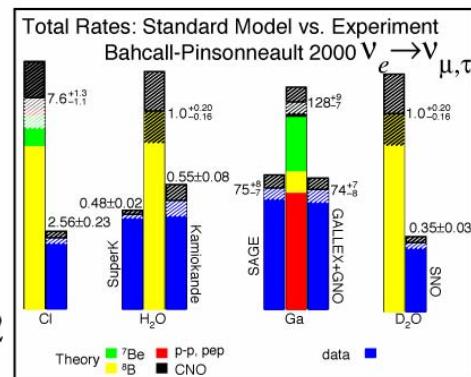
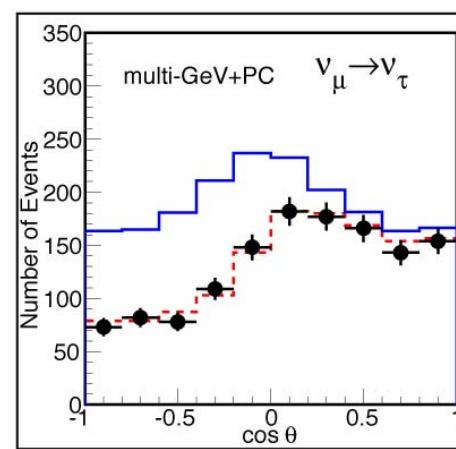
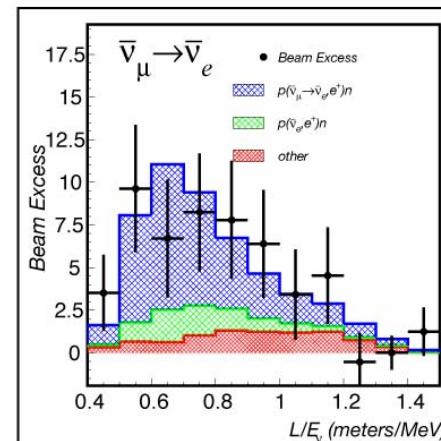


Data is being analyzed with a blindness parameter added. We are completing the final calibrations and will be removing the salt soon.

# Neutrino Data 2002



If there are only 3 neutrinos  
then  $\sum \Delta m^2 = 0$  does not  
work with LSND included.  
Therefore 4 or more  $\nu$  if  
LSND confirmed.



LSND

Super-K

$\Delta m_{23}$

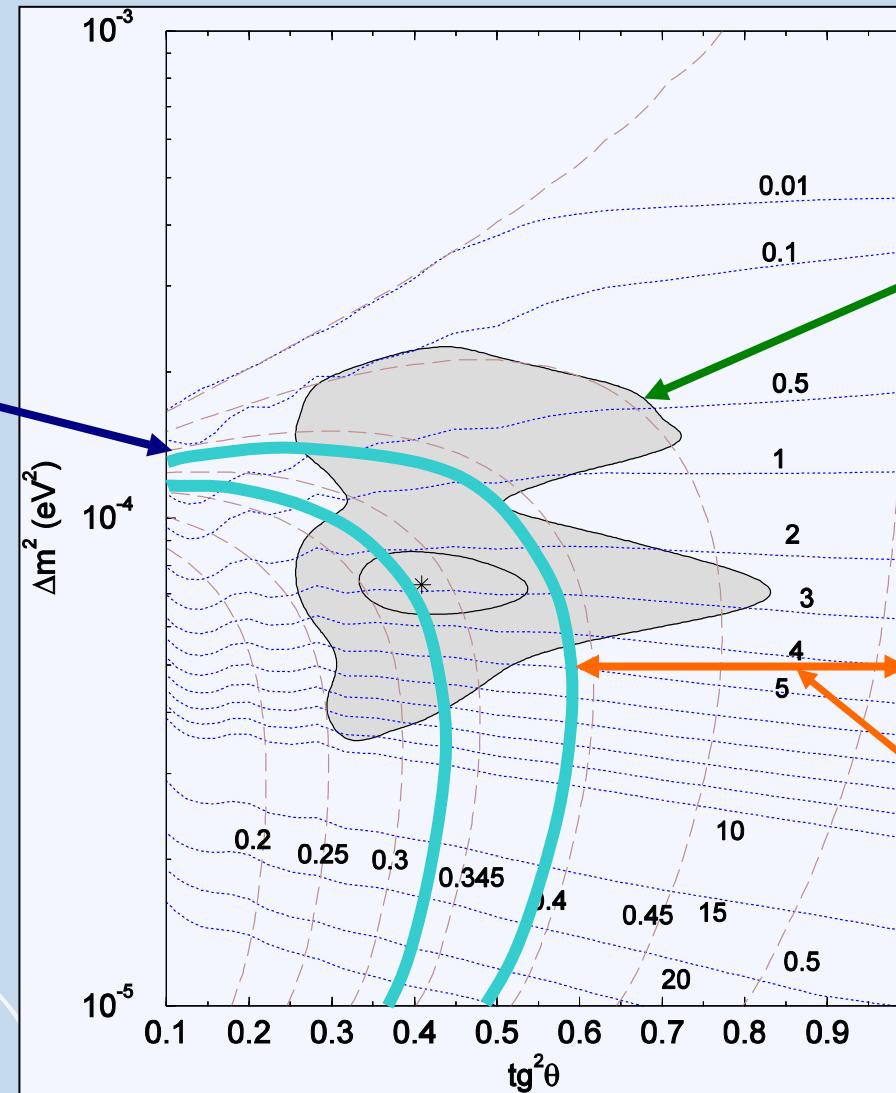
Solar

$\Delta m_{12}$

# Sensitivity to Mixing Parameters

Projected sensitivity from SNO salt phase

Assuming D<sub>2</sub>O phase NC result



Combined Solar + KAMLAND data

Bahcall/Pena-Garay  
 $\tan^2\theta < 5.5\sigma$

Improve limit on maximal 1-2 mixing

# Bound on Sterile Neutrinos: Solar/Kamland data

$$\nu_e \rightarrow (\cos \eta) \nu_x + (\sin \eta) \nu_s$$

$$f_B = {}^8B \text{ Total Flux/SSM (BP00)}$$

Fit to  $f_B$  and  $\eta$

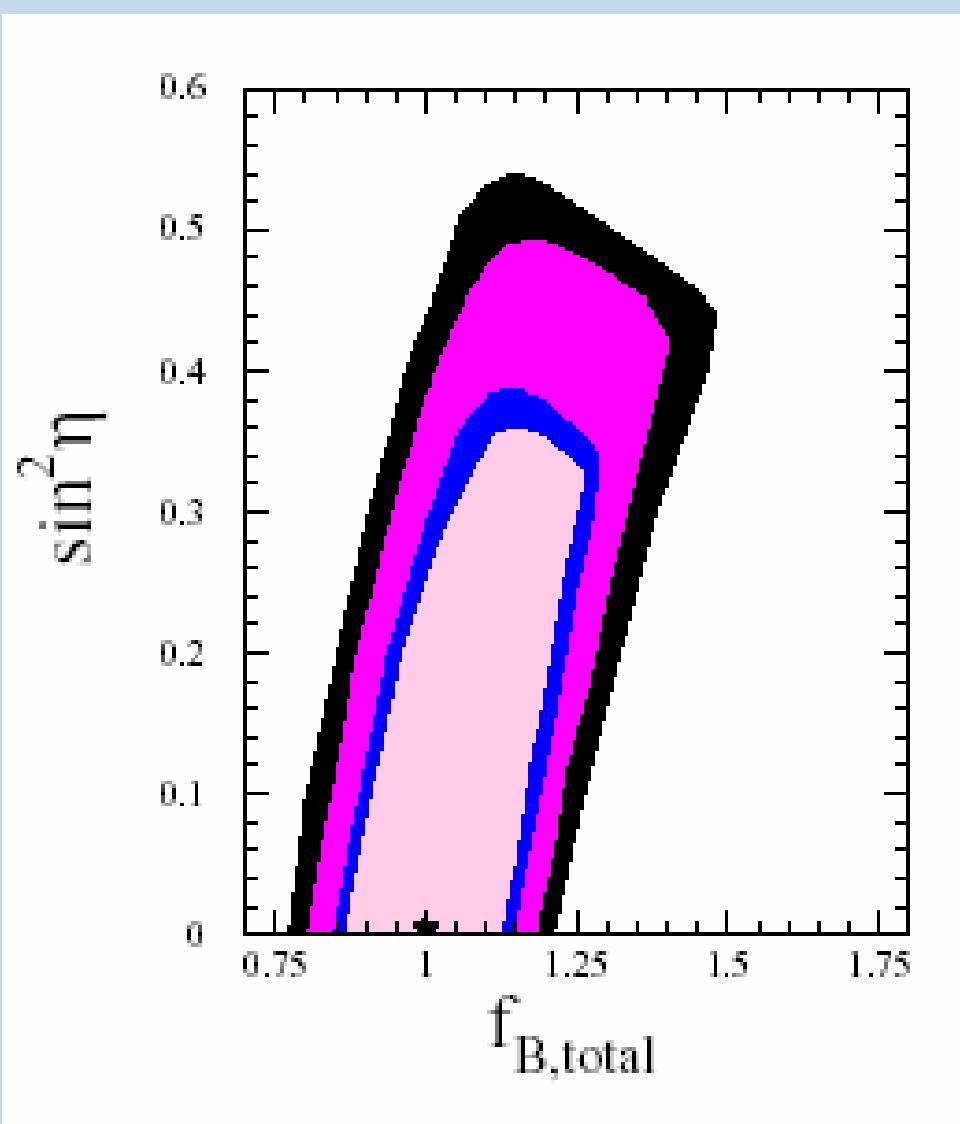
$\chi^2$  min:

$$\sin^2 \eta = 0, f_B = 1.00$$

$\sin^2 \eta$ :

< 0.13 (1  $\sigma$ )

< 0.52 (3  $\sigma$ )



# Summary

## Pure D<sub>2</sub>O Phase:

Flavour Transformation

Neutrinos Massive

SSM working well

## Combined ν Results:

→ MSW Model → LMA Favoured Region

## Salt:

Increased NC statistics – Additional Isotropy Separation

Precision Fluxes with *No Shape Constraint*

Improved CC/NC Measurement

Day/Night and Spectral Shape

→ improved precision in MSW space

## Next Phase: NCDs in shortly

<sup>3</sup>He counters

event-by-event separation



# Current and Future Prospects

- Homestake/GALLEX : completed
- Sage/GNO: running – GNO 1 solar cycle
- SK: running (impressive turnaround)
- SNO: salt results pending – next phase NCD's soon
- KamLAND: not just reactors...
- **Borexino: scintillator target ( $^7\text{Be}$ )**
  - Lens: coincidence events  $^{176}\text{Yb}$  (pp- $^7\text{Be}$ )
  - Clean: liquid neon (pp)
  - Genius: elastic scattering HPGe (pp)
  - MOON: inverse beta-decay  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  (pp- $^7\text{Be}$ )
  - HELLAZ: helium (pp- $^7\text{Be}$ )
  - HERON: superfluid helium (pp- $^7\text{Be}$ )
  - ICARUS: bubble chambers ( $^8\text{B}$ )
  - XMASS liquid xenon (pp- $^7\text{Be}$ )

**Verify Flavour Change  
Evidence for Oscillation  
MSW Parameters  
Solar Physics**



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