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Present hints

- Distill contents of very complete light sterile neutrino white paper from VT. Summarize the hints from LSND, MiniBooNE, reactor experiments, Ga experiment calibration data, and cosmology. Quote and comment on results of global fits.
- Bottom line: Hints not convincing, but do point to POSSIBLE new physics that merits experimental exploration.
- Provide guidance on what needs to be measured if one is to be definitive.

<u>List of expected measurements from on-going and near-term approved experiments</u>

appearance:

MiniBooNE $\overline{\nu_e}$ appearance (expect x2 more data)

MiniBooNE combined $v_e, \overline{v_e}$ 3+N appearance fit

2012-2013

ICARUS v_e appearance

T2K ND280 near detector

2013-2014

MicroBooNE v_e appearance

2014-2017

disappearance:

MiniBooNE/SciBooNE joint \overline{v}_{ii} disappearance

IceCube $\nu_{\mathfrak{u}}$ and $\overline{\nu}_{\mathfrak{u}}$ disappearance

MicroBooNE ν_{μ} disappearance

MINOS+ high $\Delta m^2\,\nu_\mu$ disappearance

other input:

continued reactor flux calculations

radioactive source measurements (Borexino, Daya Bay, KamLAND, SNO+)

mass limit from Planck data

time -

Requirements for Definitive SBL Experiments

Should be convincing demonstration of oscillations:

- "Guaranteed" or well understood significance $\geq \sim 5 \sigma$
- Clear L/E dependence where L is varied as well as E
- Backgrounds are either known, or measured by an identical detector at one or several different locations
- Since sterile neutrino oscillation models may have many parameters to constrain, including CP phases, several measurements would be desirable
 - $\nu_{\rm e}$ and $\overline{\nu}_{\rm e}$ appearance
 - ullet u $_{\mu}$ and u $_{\rm e}$ disappearance
 - Neutral current channel disappearance