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Evidence of $\theta(13) > 0$ from global neutrino data analysis

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The neutrino mixing angle $\theta(13)$ is at the focus of current neutrino research. From a global analysis of the available oscillation data in a 3-neutrino framework, we previously reported [Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 141801 (2008)] hints in favor of $\theta(13) > 0$ at the 90 % C.L. Such hints are consistent with the recent indications of $\nu(\mu) \rightarrow \nu(e)$ appearance in the T2K and MINOS long-baseline accelerator experiments. Our global analysis of all the available data currently provides >3 sigma evidence for nonzero $\theta(13)$, with 1-sigma ranges $\sin^2 \theta(13) = 0.021 \pm 0.007$ or 0.025 ± 0.007 , depending on reactor neutrino flux systematics. Updated ranges are also reported for the other 3-neutrino oscillation parameters (Δm^2 , $\sin^2 \theta(12)$) and (Δm^2 , $\sin^2 \theta(23)$).

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