Neutrino physics (4-2)

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Solar neutrinos

Solar pp-cycle



Overall reaction: $4p \rightarrow \alpha + 2e^+ + 2v_e + 26.7 \text{ MeV}$

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Solar Neutrino Fluxes



Short history of solar v experiments in 1 slide First detection 70's-80's: Homestake (R. Davies): Radiochemistry: E_v > 814 keV $^{37}Cl + v - ^{37}Ar + e^{-1}$ THE FIRST DETECTION! deficit in the observed flux, skepticism final triumph, Nobel prize 2002 \checkmark J. Bahcall continues the development of the Standard Solar Model \checkmark Solar-neutrino 80's-90's: (super)Kamiokande: Water Cherenkov: E_v > 5 MeV puzzle confirms deficit on ⁸B-v and with real-time technique \checkmark first neutrino picture of the Sun (directionality) \checkmark neutrinos from other stars observed (supernova SN1987-A) \checkmark 90's: Gallex (GNO) and Sage: Radiochemistry: E_v > 233 keV $v_e + {}^{71}Ga \rightarrow {}^{71}Ge + e^{-1}Ge$ deficit observed also at low energy, but is energy dependent! 2001: SNO: Water Cherenkov: E_v > 5 MeV Solution: oscillation of solar neutrinos proved CC (electron flavor) and NC (all flavors) interactions separately in D_2O Neutrino oscillations! total flux agrees with Standard Solar Model ! 2002: KamLAND: Liquid scintillator observes and measures oscillations of electron anti-neutrinos from reactors; 2007: Borexino: Liquid scintillator of extreme radiopurity: : E_v > 303 keV **Real-time** First real-time observation of ⁷Be, pep, pp neutrinos best limit on CNO precision spectroscopy Low-energy ⁸B neutrinos (> 3 MeV recoiled e⁻) Livia Ludhova: Low-energy neutrinos: SOLAR, geo, sources TAUP 2015, Torino, 11th September

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Super-Kamiokande-I solar neutrino data May 31, 1996 – July 13, 2001 (1496 days)



Seeing the Sun underground



The Sun still shines!

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2039 m to surface

12 m diameter Acrylic vessel

PMT Support Structure (PSUP)

The SNO Detector



9438 Inward-Looking PMTs

91 Outward Looking PMTs (Veto)

- Norite Rock

Neutrino Reactions in SNO

$$c v_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$$

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

$$\bigvee_{x} + \mathbf{d} \to \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{v}_{x}$$

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

 $\underbrace{\mathsf{ES}} V_x + \mathrm{e}^- \to V_x + \mathrm{e}^-$

- low statistics
- mainly sensitive to $\nu_{e},$ some ν_{μ} and ν_{τ}
- strong directional sensitivity







Borexino experiment in Gran Sasso



Latest results from Borexino Evgeny Akhmedov Meeting of the SFB/TR27 "Neutrinos and Beyond" - KIT, June 13,2008 MITP Summer School 2017 •Borexino is located under the Gran Sasso mountain which provides a shield against cosmic rays (4000 m water equivalent);



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Borexino: initial ⁷**Be result**

Implications of solar ⁷Be neutrino result

Borexino exp. result:

49 \pm 3_{stat} \pm 4_{sys} / (d 100t)

- Solar model (*high* metallicity, neutrino mixing, MSW): 48 ± 4 / (d 100t)
- Solar model (*low* metallicity, neutrino mixing, MSW): 44 ± 4 / (d 100t)
- Solar model, but no neutrino mixing:

74 ± 4 / (d 100t)

Clear confirmation of neutrino mixing and MSW

L. Oberauer, TUM

FIRST DETECTION OF PEP NEUTRINOS (V)



First real-time measurement of ppneutrino flux (~11% precision)

pp = 144 ± 13 (stat) ± 10 (syst) cpd/100 t

compared to expected (MSW/LMA,HM) 131±2 cpd/100 t



pp neutrino flux:

 $(6.6\pm0.7)\cdot10^{10}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹

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(5.98±0.04)·10¹⁰ cm⁻²s⁻¹

Zero pp count is excluded at 10σ level

BOREXINO IMPACT ON SOLAR NEUTRINO PHYSICS

Before Borexino





In the near future (Phase 2: 2012-2013)

- Improve ⁷Be, ⁸B \rightarrow test of MSW
- Confirm pep at more than 3σ and reduce error
- Improve upper limit on CNO \rightarrow probe metallicity
- Attempt direct pp measurement



Neutrino 2012 - Kyoto

M. Pallavicini

Borexino measured electron neutrino survival probability for 4 different nuclear reactions



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Borexino: annual modulations



Borexino experiment in Gran Sasso



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Evidence for the MSW effect



 $V(x) \Rightarrow a_{MSW}V(x); a_{MSW} = 1$ strongly favoured (Fogli et al. 2003, 2004; Fogli & Lisi 2004)







Neutrino parameters

Solar neutrinos Vs. KamLAND



Red regions: all solar neutrino data also restrictions from individual experiments by reactor $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ as fit parameter then marginalized

b.f.: sin² <sub>(
$$\theta_{13}$$</sub> = 0.017

 $\sin^2\theta_{13}$ fixed experiments

M. Maltoni, A.Y.S. to appear

 Δm_{21}^2 : about 2σ descrepancy of the KL and solar values

KamLAND data reanalized in view of reactor anomaly (no front detector) bump at 4 -6 MeV

 Δm^2_{21} increases by 0.5 10⁻⁵ eV²



Determination of the matter potential from the solar plus KamLAND data using a_{MSW} as free parameter

G. L Fogli et al hep-ph/0309100 C. Pena-Garay, H. Minakata, hep-ph 1009.4869 [hep-ph] M. Maltoni, A.Y.S. to appear

 $V = a_{MSW} V_{stand}$

 a_{MSW} = 0 is disfavoured by > 15 σ

the best fit value $a_{MSW} = 1.66$

 a_{MSW} = 1.0 is disfavoured by > 2 σ

related to discrepancy of Δm^2_{21} from solar and KamLAND:

 $\frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2} (KL)}{\Delta m_{21}^{2} (Sun)} = 1.6$

 Δm^2_{21}

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Potential enters the probability in combination



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Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ oscillations

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 $\bar{\nu}_e$ survival probability (in vacuum):

$$\diamondsuit \ P_{\bar{e}\bar{e}} \simeq 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{4E}L\right) - c_{13}^4 \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cdot \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{4E}L\right)$$

• Chooz, Palo Verde, DChooz, Daya Bay, Reno,... $(L \sim 1 - 2 \text{ km})$

$$\overline{E} \sim 4 \text{ MeV}; \qquad \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{4E} L \sim 1; \qquad \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{4E} L \ll 1$$

One mass scale dominance (2f) approximation (SBL expts.):

$$\diamond \ P(\bar{\nu}_e \to \bar{\nu}_e; L) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{4E} L\right)$$

Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ **oscillations – contd.**

• KamLAND $(\bar{L} \simeq 170 \text{ km})$

$$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{4E} L \gtrsim 1; \qquad \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{4E} L \gg 1$$

Averaging over fast oscillations due to $\Delta m_{\rm atm}^2 = \Delta m_{31}^2$:

$$\diamond \ P(\bar{\nu}_e \to \bar{\nu}_e) = c_{13}^4 P_{2\bar{e}\bar{e}}(\Delta m_{21}^2, \, \theta_{12}, \, V_{\text{eff}}) + s_{13}^4 \,, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = c_{13}^2 V$$

Differs from 2f probability by $\sim 5\%$ (energy-independent suppression)

N.B.: Matter effects a few % – comparable with effects of $\theta_{13} \neq 0$!

Precision Reactor Experiments

L. Mikaelyan, arXiv:hep-ex/0008046v2 (Krasnoyarsk)



build nearly identical detectors with nearly identical efficiency

KamLAND: Kamioka Liquid scintillator AntiNeutrino Detector

- 1 kton liq. Scint. Detector in the Kamiokande cavern ·1325 17" fast PMTs •554 20" large area PMTs ·34% photocathode coverage
- ·H2O Cerenkov veto counter-



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Expected: 365.2 ± 23.7 Background: 17.8 ± 7.3 Observed: 258

$$R = \frac{N_{\rm obs} - N_{\rm bgr}}{N_{\rm expected}} = 0.658 \pm 0.044 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.047 (\text{syst})$$

Stat. significance of reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance: 99.998%

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Energy Spectrum above 0.9 MeV





SBL reactor experiments

Reactor v **Experiments**

Experiment (location)	Thermal Power (GW)	Distance Near/Far (m)	Depth Near/Far (mwe)	Target mass (ton)	Cost (US \$)	# of members
Double Chooz (France)	8.5	400/ 1050	120/ 300	10/ 10	?	> 160
RENO (Korea)	16.8	290/ 1380	120/ 450	16/ 16	~10 M	< 30
Daya Bay (China)	17.4	360(500)/ 1985(1613)	260/ 860	40x2/ 80	?	~ 230

Comparisons



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Oscillation analysis





$$\begin{split} P_{\text{dis}} &= \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \left(\sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32} + \cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{31} \right) + \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21} \\ &= \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{\text{ee}} + \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21}, \quad \Delta_{jk} = 1267 \cdot \frac{\Delta m_{jk}^2}{\text{eV}^2} \frac{L}{E} \left[\frac{\text{MeV}}{\text{km}} \right] \end{split}$$

Dmitry Naumov (JINR)	Daya Bay	March 14, 2017 13			

nGd Oscillation Analysis Results



Global Comparison

Most precise measurement

- $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ uncertainty: 3.9%
- $\Delta_{m_{32}}^2$ uncertainty: 3.4%

Consistent results with reactor and accelerator experiments

 $\begin{aligned} |\Delta_{m_{ee}}^{2}| &= |\Delta_{m_{32}}^{2}| \pm 0.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^{2} \\ \text{NH: } \Delta_{m_{32}}^{2} &= [2.45 \pm 0.08] \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^{2} \\ \text{IH: } \Delta_{m_{32}}^{2} &= [-2.56 \pm 0.08] \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^{2} \end{aligned}$





An anomaly in the spectrum? Reactor Spectra: Data/MC



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Mismatch concerning $\frac{235}{\text{U} \text{ v-flux}}$ in reactor models?



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Oscillatory nature of neutrino flavour conversion

Neutrino Oscillation

SK-I+II L/E oscillation analysis

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Neutrino parameter determination – global fits

- Madrid-Barcelona-Karlsruhe (Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Salvado & Schwetz)
- Valencia group (Tortola, Valle et al.)
- Bari group (Fogli, Lisi et al.)

(With some inter-relations between the 1st and the 2nd groups)

Global fits:

"Broad-brush" picture (with 1-digit accuracy)

Unknowns: $\delta(CP)$ $sign(\Delta m^2) = ordering$ $octant(\theta_{23})$ absolute mass scaleDirac/Majorana nature

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Five known oscillation parameters:


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Current 1\sigma errors (1/6 of ±3\sigma range):
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òm²	2.3 %
∖m ²	1.6 %
$\sin^2\theta_{12}$	5.8 %
$\sin^2\theta_{13}^{}$	4.0 %
$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	~9 %

all < 10%... Precision Era!

[but PMNS still very far from CKM accuracy]

More on known oscillation parameters: sinergy on Δm^2

All data sets contribute to Δm^2

More on known oscillation parameters: sinergy on θ_{13}

LBL + solar + KL prefer the same θ_{13} as reactors (within large uncertainties)

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More on unknown oscillation parameters:

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Compare the current results (circa 2017) with...

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... 1yr ago, 2016: trends were somewhat weaker

Current indication $\Delta \chi^2_{IO-NO} = 3.6$ from oscill. data starts to be interesting. Useful to see the effect of excluding/including this offset in the analysis:

Two different ways of marginalizing over mass ordering(s) \rightarrow

Cosmological constraints (circa 2017)

Analysis of various **datasets** within standard (6-param.) Λ **CDM model** augmented with Σ plus one possible 1 extra parameter A_{lens} , to account for syst's or nonstandard effects $[A_{lens} > 1 \text{ may be typically traded for higher values of the sum of neutrino mass } \Sigma]$

Code: CosmoMC with NO / IO options explicitly included in Σ , via the two mass² differences

 \rightarrow unphysical spectra of neutrino masses (e.g., $\Sigma = 0$) not allowed by construction. \rightarrow expect small NO-IO differences at low Σ , but vanishing at high Σ (degenerate spectrum)

Results on Σ (upper bounds) and on $\Delta \chi^2_{IO-NO}$:

TABLE II: Results of the global 3ν analysis of cosmological data within the standard $\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma$ and extended $\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$ models. The datasets refer to various combinations of the Planck power angular CMB temperature power spectrum (TT) plus polarization power spectra (TE, EE), reionization optical depth τ_{HFI} , lensing potential power spectrum (lensing), and BAO measurements. For each of the 12 cases we report the 2σ upper bounds on $\Sigma = m_1 + m_2 + m_3$ for NO and IO, together with the $\Delta \chi^2$ difference between the two mass orderings (with one digit after decimal point). For any Σ , the masses m_i are taken to obey the δm^2 and Δm^2 constraints coming from oscillation data. See the text for more details.

#	Model	Cosmological data set	Σ/eV (2 σ), NO	Σ/eV (2 σ), IO	$\Delta\chi^2_{\rm IO-NO}$	
1	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck TT + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$	< 0.72	< 0.80	0.7	
2	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck TT + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + lensing	< 0.64	< 0.63	0.2	
3	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck $TT + \tau_{HFI} + BAO$	< 0.21	< 0.23	1.2	
4	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$	< 0.44	< 0.48	0.6	
5	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + lensing	< 0.45	< 0.47	0.3	
6	$\Lambda CDM + \Sigma$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + BAO	< 0.18	< 0.20	1.6	
7	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck TT + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$	< 1.08	< 1.08	-0.1	
8	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck TT + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + lensing	< 0.91	< 0.93	0.0	
9	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck $TT + \tau_{HFI} + BAO$	< 0.45	< 0.46	0.2	
10	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$	< 1.04	< 1.03	0.0	
11	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + lensing	< 0.89	< 0.89	0.1	
12	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \Sigma + A_{\text{lens}}$	Planck TT, TE, EE + $\tau_{\rm HFI}$ + BAO	< 0.31	< 0.32	0.3	

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Grand total of IO-NO differences:

TABLE III: Values of $\Delta \chi^2_{IO-NO}$ from the global analysis of oscillation and non oscillation data (numbered according to the adopted cosmological datasets as in Table II), to be compared with the value 3.6 from oscillation data only [Eq. (9)]. An overall preference emerges for NO, at the level of $1.9-2.1\sigma$.

#	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$\Delta\chi^2_{ m IO-NO}$	4.3	3.8	4.4	4.2	3.9	4.4	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.9

The statistical significance of possible hints about ordering is currently debated. If they are not fluctuations, expect (fractional) improvements in upcoming years Dedicated projects are planned with reactor, atmospheric, accelerator neutrinos

SUMMARY

- Status of known 3v oscillation parameters: Precision era (but PMNS accuracy far from CKM)
- Trends of unknown oscillation parameters: Favoring CPV with sin δ <0, nonmax θ_{23} , and NO
- Status of constraints from $0\nu\beta\beta$ & Cosmology: Sub-eV sensitivity; Cosmo analysis with NO vs IO
- Oscillation + nonoscillation global analysis: Corroborates NO with respect to IO at ~ 2σ level

PROSPECTS - oscillations

- Known 3v oscillation parameters: Higher accuracy with LBL acceler., JUNO react. + others
- CPV:

If $\sin \delta \sim -1$, then T2K+NOvA may probe CPV at $\sim 3\sigma$ Higher C.L. requires future LBL acc. (DUNE, Hyper-K)

• Hierarchy:

Expect progress from T2K+NOvA and future expts: JUNO reactor, LBL acceler., Large-volume atmospheric

• Octant of θ_{23} (if significantly nonmaximal): Lifting degeneracy possible, but not easy at high CL

Light sterile neutrinos?

Several indications of existence of relatively light ($\Delta m^2 \sim 1 \text{ eV}^2$) extra neutrino species.

Must be an electroweak singlet (sterile) due to the LEP results on the invisible width of Z^0 boson!

- LSND $(\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e}$ appearance)
- MiniBooNE ($\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ and $\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e}$ appearance)
- Gallium anomaly (ν_e disappearance)
- Reactor anomaly ($\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance)

There are also hints for existence light sterile neutrinos with masses in the eV, keV or even MeV range r-process supernova nucleosynthesis, pulsar kicks, warm dark matter and leptogenesis scenarios.

Also: very light ν_s ($\Delta m^2 \sim 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$) from the solar neutrino spectrum? (de Holanda & Smirnov, 2004, 2011; Das, Pulido, Picariello, 2009)

LSND

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2+2 schemes: ruled out by combination of solar and atm. ν experiments.

3+1 scheme: strongly disfavoured by SBL expts.

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Data in neutrino and antineutrino modes are now consistent (no hints for CP violation) and are also consistent with the LSND claim.

A significant tension with data of previous SBL experiments (esp. ν_{μ} disappearance)!

Appearance results from MiniBooNE Chris Polly @ Neutrino2012, 1207.4809

Simultaneous 3+1 fit to v and anti-v data

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Gallium Anomaly

Gallium Radioactive Source Experiments

Tests of the solar neutrino detectors GALLEX (Cr1, Cr2) and SAGE (Cr, Ar)

Detection Process: $\nu_e + {}^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow {}^{71}\text{Ge} + e^-$

 ν_e Sources: $e^- + {}^{51}\text{Cr} \rightarrow {}^{51}\text{V} + \nu_e$ $e^- + {}^{37}\text{Ar} \rightarrow {}^{37}\text{Cl} + \nu_e$

[SAGE, PRC 73 (2006) 045805, nucl-ex/0512041]

 $E \sim 0.7 \,\mathrm{MeV}$ $\langle L
angle_{\mathrm{GALLEX}} = 1.9 \,\mathrm{m}$ $\langle L
angle_{\mathrm{SAGE}} = 0.6 \,\mathrm{m}$ $\overline{R}_{\mathrm{B}} = 0.86 \pm 0.05$

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ν mixing and sterile neutrinos

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{e} \\ \nu_{\mu} \\ \nu_{\tau} \\ \nu_{s} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & U_{e4} \\ |U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & U_{\mu 4} \\ |U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & U_{\tau 4} \\ |U_{s 1} & U_{s 2} & U_{s 3} & U_{s 4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{1} \\ \nu_{2} \\ \nu_{3} \\ \nu_{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

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eV-keV mass \rightarrow does not directly couple to W/Z boson

• mass splittings: $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$



3+1 scenario

minimal extension

$$\begin{split} |\mathsf{U}_{s4}|^2 &\approx 1 \\ |\mathsf{U}_{e4}|^2\!, |\mathsf{U}_{\mu4}|^2\!, |\mathsf{U}_{\tau4}|^2 \ll 1 \end{split}$$

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Fitting all together?

3+1 SBL oscillations

appearance

$$P_{\mu e} = \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E} \qquad \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} = 4|U_{e4}|^2|U_{\mu 4}|^2$$

disappearance (
$$\alpha = e, \mu$$
)

$$P_{\alpha\alpha} = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{\alpha\alpha} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E} \qquad \sin^2 2\theta_{\alpha\alpha} = 4|U_{\alpha4}|^2(1 - |U_{\alpha4}|^2)$$

effective 2-flavour oscillations

▶ no CP violation \rightarrow same results for $\bar{\nu}$ (LSND, MB) and ν (MB) data

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$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e} \approx \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta_{ee} \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu \mu}$$

 $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ app. signal requires also signal in both, ν_{e} and ν_{μ} disappearance (appearance mixing angle quadratically suppressed)

Searches of eV – scale sterile neutrinos

- $\bar{\nu}_e$ and ν_e disappearance in VSBL reactor exeriments and expts. with radioactive sources
- $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ appearance experiments with accelerator neutrinos
- ν_{μ} disappearance experiments with accelerator neutrinos
- $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ disappearance at TeV energies at IceCube
- Constraints on m_4 and U_{e4} in direct neutrino mass measurement experiments and $2\beta 0\nu$ decay
- Constraints from cosmology (depend on degree of thermalization of ν_s)

Reactor experiments

Prospect @ HFIR ORNL • data existing • detector construction/prototype existing							
experiment	technology	m _t [t]	P _{th} [MW]	L [m]	S/B	$\sigma_{\rm E,Ph}/E$	photon statistical energy resolution @ 1MeV visible energy
DANSS	Gd-PS	0.9	3000	10.7-12.7	100	0.18	
NEOS	Gd-LS	1	2800	25	23	0.05	 highly segmented highly segmented & inhomogeneous neutron detection movable detector
Neutrino4	Gd-LS	0.3	100	7-11	<1	-	
Nucifer	Gd-LS	1	70	7	<1	0.1	
SoLið	⁶ Li-PS	1.6	60-80	5.7	3	0.14	
Stereo	Gd-LS	1.8	57	8.9-11.1	1.5	0.05	
Prospect I	⁶ Li-PS	1.5	85	7-12	3	0.045	

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Projected Sensitivities @Reactor





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Example: KATRIN + Stéréo + CeSOX





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IceCube: $\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{s}$ res. at $E \sim \text{TeV}$

The resonant enhancement



- > Energy of the resonance proportional to the mass splitting
- > Sensitivity to $|U_{\mu4}|^2$ (or θ_{24}) and sterile mass
- > Sensitivity with IceCube using high energy atmospheric neutrinos



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Sterile neutrinos at high energies



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Sterile neutrinos at high energies: results



- > Strong exclusion limits
- > Only 1 year of data used

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Consistent appearance and disappearance exclusions

> Three times as much appearance data still to analyse

Summary - sterile neutrinos

- hints from reactor and Ga anomalies at $\sim 3\sigma$ (not in tension with other data)
- hints from LSND, MiniBooNE ~3.8σ
 low-E MiniB data not well fitted (few% prob)
- strong tension in global fit (constraints from V_μ disappearance experiments)
- no significant improvement by more sterile neutrinos

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Ways to find out neutrino mass ordering:

- Earth matter effects on $(\Delta m_{31}^2, \theta_{13})$ driven oscillations
 - LBL accelerator experiments
 - atmospheric ν experiments with very large detectors (PINGU, ORCA,...)
 - Supernova neutrinos
- Very accurate spectroscopic measurements in reactor expts. with $L \simeq 50 - 60$ km (JUNO, RENO-50)



Response function $\sigma(E) \cdot f(E)$ vs. L/E



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20 kt JUNO Experiment (China, 2020)
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Contributions of different Δm_{ij}^2 to P_{ee}

$$P_{ee} = 1 - 4 \sum_{i < j} |U_{ei}|^2 |U_{ej}|^2 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{2} \qquad \Delta_{ij} \equiv \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2}{2E} I$$



The Long and Winding Road

Impressive achievements but the road wasn't always straight ... A number of wrong results and claims –

- S- and T-variants of weak interaction rather than V- and A-variants in β -decay of ⁶He (BNL, 1953, 1955)
- Claim of discovery of ν oscillations in Bugey experiment (1980)
- $m_{\nu} \simeq 30 \text{ eV}$ in ITEP tritium β -decay experiment (1980, 1987)
- Majoron emission in $2\beta 0\nu$ -decay (PNL/USC, 1987)
- 17-keV neutrino in decays of ³H, ³⁵S and ¹⁴C (Guelph, Oxford and Berkeley, 1985-1991)
- KARMEN time distribution anomaly (1995)
- Time variations of m_{ν}^2 in tritium β decay (Troitsk, 1997-2000)
- OPERA faster than light neutrinos

Neutrino experiments are very difficult – caution is advised !

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(but would like to know)

- Dirac or Majorana? 2 β decay experiments, SN PNB $\nu_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ conversion/collective effects in $\nu_e \leftrightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\mu,\tau}$ (?)
- The absolute mass scale? Direct mass measurement experiments (KATRIN, ECHo, Project 8,...); 2β decay, cosmology
- NO or IO mass ordering? Matter effects in atm. and accel. neutrino experiments and for SN neutrinos; reactor experiments at ~ 60 km (JUNO, RENO-50)
- Dirac-type CPV phase? LBL accelerator experiments (T2K, NoVa, ...), atmospheric neutrino experiments
- Majorana-type CPV phases? -2β decay (?)
- Light sterile neutrinos? (SBL reactor expts., radiactive source expts., SBL accelerator expts., IceCube, β -decay, $2\beta 0\nu$ -decay)

We would also like to:

- Study directly matter effects (MSW, parametric) on ν oscillations
- Improve the accuracy of determination of the already known parameters $(|\Delta m_{31}^2|, \Delta m_{21}^2, \theta_{13}, \theta_{12}, \theta_{23} \text{octant?})$
- Improve our knowledge of the solar energy production (CNO neutrinos, high vs. low metallicity solar models, ...)
- Study matter dominated vacuum dominated transition in the dynamics of solar neutrino oscillations
- Study (discover or put more stringent limits limits on) non-standard neutrino interactions, neutrino magnetic moments, mass varying neutrinos, etc. (possible subdominant transition effects in solar, atm., accel. and SN ν expts.)

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- ♦ Neutrino models: too many, but no clear leader. Most attempted some type of symmetry to arrive at the tri-bi-maximal mixing pattern now disfavoured.

- Non-standard oscillation phenomenology: subleading effects. Interesting constraints obtained.
- New development in standard neutrino oscillations: collective effects in oscillations of SN neutrinos (many papers). Interesting spectral splits.
- Theory of neutrino oscillations: Surprisingly, 60 years after the suggestions of neutrino oscillations and 19 years after their experimenta discovery some basic questions of the theory are still being debated.
 - ♦ Ultimate goal Unravel physics underlying neutrino mass generation
 - New interesting results (new surprizes?) expected.

Neutrino revolution continues !