

Neutrino Experiments: v Questions for a New Decade...

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Part I: Neutrino Basics... The neutrino we once knew and loved Neutrino Oscillations A "nu" Standard Model

Part II: The Oscillation Puzzle Pieces How the pieces fit together... What's the present strategy? A novel approach: DAEδALUS Quick Review: The Known Unknowns are:

1. The mass hierarchy -- how different are neutrinos? what do we really know about mass?



2. The value of θ_{13} --- differentiates New Physics models...



Especially models with...

quark-lepton unification, or a μ - τ symmetry at high energy scales

3. δ -- the CP violating parameter

In the coming years, neutrino physics presents exciting opportunities: the measurement of the mixing angle between the heaviest and lightest neutrinos, determination of the hierarchy of neutrino masses, the search for matter-antimatter asymmetry (CP violation) in neutrino mixing, and lepton number violation. These opportunities are fundamental to the science of particle physics and have profound consequences for the understanding of the evolution of the universe.



These are all connected₅...



How do the pieces fit together?



 v_e disappearance experiments has simple dependence on θ_{13}

$$P_{\rm disapp} \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta + \alpha^2 \Delta^2 \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12},$$

$$\alpha \equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{23}^2$$
 and $\Delta \equiv \Delta m_{31}^2 L / (4E_{\nu})$.



The oscillation of muon-flavor to electron-flavor at the atmospheric Δm^2 may show CP-violation dependence!

in a vacuum...

 $P = (\sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13}) (\sin^2 \Delta_{31})$ $\mp \underline{\sin \delta} (\sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12}) (\sin^2 \Delta_{31} \sin \Delta_{21})$ $+ \underline{\cos \delta} (\sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12}) (\sin \Delta_{31} \cos \Delta_{31} \sin \Delta_{21})$ $+ (\cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12}) (\sin^2 \Delta_{21}).$ We want to see if δ is nonzero terms depending on mixing angles terms depending on $\Delta_{ij} = \Delta m_{ij}^2 L/4E_{\nu}$



Most parameters are well known...

Parameter	Present:		Assumed	Future:		
	Value	Uncert.	Value	Uncert.		
		(\pm)		((±)	$(\Delta m^2)_{sol}$ $(m_2)^2$
$\Delta m_{21}^2 imes 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV}^2$	7.65	0.23	7.65	N/A		(m ₁) ²
$\Delta m_{31}^2 imes 10^{-3} \mathrm{eV}^2$	2.40	0.12	2.40	0.02		
$\sin^2(2\theta_{12})$	0.846	0.033	0.846	N/A		
$\sin^2(2\theta_{23})$	1.00	0.02	1.00	0.005		
$\sin^2(2\theta_{13})$	0.11	0.06	0.05	0.005		,

Except for that pesky θ_{13} !

We will end up having to quote our sensitivity as allowed regions in both θ_{13} and δ

 $(m_3)^2$

 $(\Delta m^2)_{atm}$

ν,

ντ



If we succeeded in observing a signal, what would this plot look like? 180 120 Imagine the real values are: $\delta = |80^\circ|$ 60 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.05$ δ_{c_P} 0 1 sigma error -60 2 sigma error -120 -180 L 0.12 0.14 0.16 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.1 0.02 sin²2v₁₃ 12



"Jelly bean plots" identify hypothetical values of δ and θ_{13} and show the expected contours at 1σ and 2σ



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Varying the value of θ_{13} reduces or enhances the effect



But the proposed experiments to search for CP violation shoot the neutrinos through a lot of <u>matter</u>

Here's why...

The easiest way to make a high-flux beam which switches from v to \overline{v} :



"Conventional neutrino beam" -- 100's of MeV to a few GeV



Using LBNE as an example...

Beam from Fermilab

Shoots to detectors in South Dakota 1300 km





And there is **lots and lots** of matter along a 1300 km path!

also true for LENA, MEMPHYS and HyperK designs ²⁰

And the ground is made of <u>matter</u> (electrons) not <u>antimatter</u> (positrons)

Forward scattering affects neutrinos differently than antineutrinos.







Including matter effects in the formula

(Reduces to the previous formula for short distances and low energies)

$$a = \frac{G_F N_e}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$P_{\text{mat}} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \frac{\sin^2 (\Delta_{31} \mp aL)}{(\Delta_{31} \mp aL)^2} \Delta_{31}^2}{(\Delta_{31} \mp aL)^2} \Delta_{31}^2 \\ \mp \sin \delta \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin (\Delta_{31} \mp aL)}{(\Delta_{31} \mp aL)} \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin (aL)}{(aL)} \Delta_{21} \\ + \cos \delta \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12} \cos \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin (\Delta_{31} \mp aL)}{(\Delta_{31} \mp aL)} \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin (aL)}{(aL)} \Delta_{21} \\ + \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^2 (aL)}{(aL)^2} \Delta_{21}^2.$$

$$(2.4)$$

YUCK!



What's the strategy?

There is an obvious path...

 $\theta_{13} \rightarrow \delta \rightarrow \text{mass hierarchy}$

But we are physicists so...

Attack in all directions!



Where we are right now...

This summer, the T2K $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$ <u>appearance</u> experiment saw an excess of electron-like events



.. and the Super-K detector

In principle, this experiment is sensitive to all 3 parameters but it is at a relatively short distance & low energy for matter effects 27





- Shows θ_{13} is nonzero @ 90% CL for either hierarchy
- No jelly-beans yet -- the δ measurement is not precise enough
- As expected -- little difference between hierarchies



Interesting!

It seems likely that θ_{13} is nonzero. It is unclear how large it is.

Ready for the next step!

Enter ... The Reactor Experiments! Using $\overline{v_e}$ Disappearance

$$P_{reactor} \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta + \alpha^2 \Delta^2 \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12},$$

$$\begin{split} \alpha &\equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 / \Delta m_{23}^2 \\ \Delta &\equiv \Delta m_{31}^2 L / (4E_\nu). \end{split}$$

The goal is to discover and measure θ_{13}



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How this new generation improves on past:

- near and far detectors
- ability to switch detectors
- better shielding from cosmic rays

the art is in control of the systematics







An advantage: having only 2 reactors means there are times when one or both reactors are off (allows background studies)
We are in the process of understanding the detector, busy making plots like this...



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Michel electron timing distribution

Preliminary

2.0

1.5

We are aiming for results this autumn!

3.0

3.5

Time since stopped muon (µs)

5.0

The Race is ON!!!! = reactor based, v_e disappearance Double Chooz RENO Daya Bay The next 3-5 years should yield a clear measurement of $\theta_{13}!$ (and I think we will be glad for multiple experiments)

if we put disappearance together with appearance

In principle in the next ~ 6-10 years we can also get a > 2σ measurement of the mass hierarchy

This will come from playing the NOvA Experiment, against the reactor and T2K measurements...

T2K	295 km	smaller effect
Minos	730 km	
NOvA	810 km	larger effect

NOvA sends a beam from FNAL to Ash River, Minnesota

The detector will go here. 15 kt of liquid scintillator.

But they already have a near-detector prototype going...





NOvA Jelly Beans if $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.06$



What's next?

There are many strategies for ultra-large detectors world-wide. I think we will build "LBNE" in South Dakota (Homestake)





We will most likely have a water Cerenkov detector, ~100 kt or more

It is possible we will have an LAr detector too, but this is more speculative.

Physics Topic	WCD	LAr	
$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$	High Discovery Potential	High Discovery Potential	
۳ °	as described in text	as described in text	
ν_{μ} disappearance	$\delta(\Delta m^2):\pm 0.013/0.015$	$\delta(\Delta m^2):\pm 0.016/0.025$	
$(u/ar{ u})$	$\delta(\sin^2 2 heta_{23}):\pm 0.005/0.007$	$\delta(\sin^2 2 heta_{23}):\pm 0.006/0.009$	
Proton Decay	$P ightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ search:	$P \to K^+ \bar{\nu}$ search:	
	$\sim 6 imes 10^{34} { m \ years}$	$\sim 3 \times 10^{34}$ years w/o photodetectors	
	$P \to K^+ \bar{\nu}$ search:	$\sim 4 imes 10^{34}$ years	
	$\sim 1 imes 10^{35}$ years w/ scint. upgrade	w/ photodetector coverage	
Supernova Burst	$\sim 30,000 \text{ evts (primarily } ar{ u})$	$\sim 3000 \text{ evts (primarly } \nu)$	
at 10 kpc		w/ photodetector coverage	
Tagged SN Burst	IBD-tagged evts w/ Gd Upgrade		
Supernova Relic	9 to 50 evts/year w/ 40 bkgd		
Neutrinos	imes 2 coverage + Gd Upgrade		
Solar Day/Night	0.5% on A_{DN} w/ $\times 2$ coverage Upgrade		
$DAE\delta ALUS$	Increased δ_{CP} Discovery Potential		
	Cyclotrons $+\times 2$ coverage $+$ Gd Upgrade		
Geoneutrinos	>3000 evts/year w/ Scint + coverage upgrade		
Technology	Improved Photomultiplier Tubes	LAr Technology	
Transfer	Water-based Gd for neutron dets.		
	Large-Area Fast Photosensors		
Color coding: Purple – under research (no large scale prototypes of needed technology)			
Blue – under development (large scale prototypes of technology are running)			
Black – Established Technology			

If we know the mass hierarchy, then this is how well LBNE can do in 10 years of running (*e.g.* without Project X)



But there are problems...

Long Baseline experiments are usually low in antineutrino statistics \rightarrow a combination of style of beam and cross section



... and the backgrounds are larger compared to signal

Where do these backgrounds come from?





Understanding the shape of the background is crucial to differentiating the hierarchy...



What might be an alternative approach?

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Decay}\\ \textbf{At rest}\\ \textbf{Experiment}\\ \textbf{for } \delta_{cp} \text{ studies}\\ \textbf{At the}\\ \textbf{Laboratory for}\\ \textbf{Underground}\\ \textbf{Science} \end{array}$

Lets go back to the appearance probability...

in a vacuum...

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We want to see if δ is nonzero

CP violation is all about interference.

The δ -dependent terms arise from interference between the Δm_{13}^2 and Δm_{12}^2 oscillations

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 $(m_{2})^{2}$

 $(m_{2})^{2}$

 $(\Delta m^2)_{\rm atm}$

 $(\Delta m^2)_{sol}$

ν,

ν,

ν,







You need a lot of free protons!



Use the <u>same</u> ultra-large detector system as the long baseline



identical in flavor and energy



SITE OPTIONS:

Large water detectors: LBNE MEMPHYS Hyper-K

Or scintillation oil -based detectors: LENA, Hano-Hano

A new paper LENA paper that includes DAEδALUS is coming at the end of April!

DETECTOR LAYOUT



vertical design is favourable in terms of rock pressure and buoyancy forces

Big-liquid-detector designs seem to be fluid in time...

Hee hee! <

In order to tell a consistent story, I will use the example of a 300 kt H2O, Gd-doped detector at Homestake for both LBNE & DAEδALUS.

DAE δ ALUS is statistics limited -- so you can just scale.

I will point out some distinctions between oil and water.



For the water design enhance the signal from n-capture, add gadolinium!

Adding Gd to water is technically difficult But others need it too: Supernova Relic Neutrino Search Non-proliferation studies

Oil does not need Gd





Neutrino-electron scattering is also very important!



Provides the normalization of the flux since the xsec is known to 1%



Mostly from $v_e s$

about 20% from muon flavor

Measurement strategy:



Non-beam backgrounds

• Atmospheric $\overline{\nu_{\mu}}$ "Invisible muons": $\overline{\nu_{\mu}} + p \rightarrow \mu^{+} + n$ where μ^{+} is below Cherenkov threshold, stops and decays. ONLY IN WATER



• Diffuse supernova neutrinos





Beam-related Background

• Intrinsic v_e in beam

From $\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^-$ events which failed to capture in the beam stop ~4×10⁻⁴ v_e rate (low)

- Beam v_e in coincidence with random neutron capture signal Estimated to be very small from Super-K rates
- v_e -Oxygen CC scatters producing an electron+ n signal Subsequent n from nuclear de-excitation should be very small.

All fall as $1/r^2$ from the 3 accelerators, near accelerator provides a measurement







Daedalus Phase 1 + 2



How well do we do?

By construction our capability is equal to LBNE, But our measurement has completely different issues!



But this works even better, when you combine with LBNE! These are complementary experiments

LBNE is mainly a v experiment DAEdALUS is entirely \overline{v}

LBNE is a high energy experiment (300 MeV - 10 GeV) DAEdALUS is a low energy experiment

LBNE varies beam energy DAEdALUS varies beam distance

What happens when the two are put together?

What the Combined Experiments can do!

5yr Combined Running

10yr Combined Running



The fraction of " δ -space" where a measurement will be >3 σ

Exclusion of $\delta_{CP} = 0^0$ or 180^0 at 3σ (300kt Water Cherenkov for 10 year runs)



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That looks great... BUT

But can we build the machines?



Wanted: ~1 MW sources of protons, w/ energy > 600 MeV and <1500 MeV for a reasonable price

What helps:

- 1. No fancy beam structure -- CW is fine. (run 100 ms on and 400 m soff)
- 2. No need to inject into another accelerator
- 3. Constant energy -- no need for an energy upgrade path

... Unlike Project-X or SNS, which need all of the above. Wanted: ~1 MW sources of protons, w/ energy > 600 MeV and <1500 MeV for a reasonable price

Luckily there are others looking for this too!

"ADS" -- accelerator driven systems for subcritical reactors.

Also "DTRA"--Defense Threat Reduction Agency

We can gain a lot from what is learned in these efforts!



ADS: Transmutation of nuclear waste from reactors



Among all of the types of accelerators out there...

Cyclotrons Synchrotrons Linacs FFAGs etc.

Very interesting R&D ongoing, but these machines are not yet proven

Can do what we need <u>right now</u>, but are <u>expensive</u>.

Use linacs if you want a nice beam for transfer to another line and flexibility on energy (We don't)

Why cyclotrons?

Inexpensive, Only practical below ~1 GeV (ok for us!) Only good if you don't need timing structure (ok!) Typically single-energy (ok!) Taps into existing industry

We do not rule out other options, but cyclotrons seem like a good fit. Approaches using cyclotrons:

The compact cyclotron with self-extraction



under development for DTRA at MIT

An H2+ accelerator



The stacked cyclotron:

7 cyclotrons in one flux return



Under dev. for ADS at TAMU 79





We emply an "isochonous cyclotron" design where the magnetic field changes with radius. This can accelerate many bunches at once.





H2+ gives you 2 protons out for 1 unit of +1 charge in!

Simple to extract! Just strip the electron w/ a foil

Injector Cyclotron delivers ~ 50 MeV/n H_2^+ beam to Ring Cyclotron 800 MeV/n beam stripped at outer radius, Proton orbits designed to cleanly exit machine



Working examples of each component exist. Now we need to optimize.

The ion source: prototype built at INFN-Catania (Italy) The injector cyclotron: modest modification to off-shelf model from, *e.g.*, BEST Cyclotron Systems Inc. The booster cyclotron: smaller, simpler version of Rikken (Japan) The extraction foils: well tested at many cyclotron facilities, including PSI and TRIUMF The target/dumps: we will have multiple extraction lines to stay below 1 MW on each dump (to be similar to existing dumps) Design being done at MIT Some highlights of progress & plans

- •We have a 1st generation design
- •We have a prototype ion source, which produced 20 mA immediately



• The large magnet specifications are nearly complete, and we expect to go to engineers for costing within 6 months. This is the cost driver.

The above was reported at the *Particle Accelerator Conference 2 months ago.*

On track for entering the CD process in a couple of years



Wrapping this whirlwind tour...

My theme:

If I were a graduating student or recent postdoc, and considering working in neutrino physics, what would I consider working on?

New(ish) over the next few years...

Antares, CUORE, DAEδALUS, Daya Bay, Double Chooz, EGADs, EXO, GERDA, GLACIER, ICARUS, ICECube, KATRIN, LBNE, LENA, Majorana, MEMPhys, MicroBooNE, MINERvA, NOvA, Project 8, RENO, SNO+, SuperNEMO, T2K, XEN

PLUS

... established experiments w/ lots of data already Cuoricino, NEMO, Super K, MINOS, MiniBooNE, CNGS...

... and some that are accelerator related Muon Collider/Neutrino Factory, Beta Beams

... and some I accidentally missed Sorry! There are just so many!

This is an exciting field & there is lots of room for you!

The End