Исследование нейтринных осцилляций на ускорителях

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Outline

- Neutrino oscillation parameters
- Short-baseline experiments: LSND; MiniBooNE - anomalies
- First generation of Long-baseline experiments: K2K; MINOS; OPERA – results
- New generation of Long-baseline experiments: T2K – first results; NOvA
- Conclusions

New Physics

- Neutrino oscillations discovered in atmospheric, solar, reactor and accelerator experiments -> new physics beyond Standard Model (SM)
- Accurate measurements of the oscillation parameters are necessary to formulate/select Extensions of SM

Neutrino Mixing

Flavor states ≠ Mass states

v mixing: 3×3 unitary matrix U_{PMNS} (PMNS= Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata)

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} v_{e} \\ v_{\mu} \\ v_{\tau} \end{bmatrix} = U_{PMNS} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \end{bmatrix} & c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}, \ s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij} \\ c_{ij} = \cos\theta_$$

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Known and unknown parameters

- (1,2): $\theta_{12} \approx 34^{\circ}$, $\Delta m_{12}^2 \approx 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ (solar + reactor)
- (2,3): $\theta_{23} \approx 45^{\circ}$, $\Delta m_{23}^2 \approx 2.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ (atm. + accelerator)
- (1,3): θ₁₃ < 11° only upper limit (reactor(CHOOZ) + accelerator)
- CP-phase δ and sign of Δm^2



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Oscillation Probability at a distance L



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How to measure the oscillation parameters

Prediction (theory + MC):

Experiment:



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The main accelerator v-experiments

Experim ent	Run	Proton Energy	Proton Target	<e<sub>v></e<sub>	L (Baseline)	Det. Tech.	Near/Far Det. Mass	Goal	
K2K*	1999- 2004	12 GeV	Al 2 horns	1.3 GeV	250 km	Water <mark>Ch</mark>	1kt / 50 kt	$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$	
MINOS	2005-	120 GeV	C 2 horns	3 GeV 9 GeV	735 km	Fe+Sci.	≈1kt / 5.4 kt	$ u_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu} $ +anti- ν_{μ}	
OPERA	2008-	400 GeV	C 1 horn	17 GeV	732 km	Pb+Emul +Track.	1.25 kt	$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$	- a
т2К*	2010-	30 GeV	C 3 horns	0.6 GeV	295 km OA=2.5 °	Sci./Wat er <mark>Ch</mark>	2kt / 50 kt	$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$	
ΝΟνΑ	2013?	120 GeV	C 2 horns	2 GeV	810 km OA=0.8°	Liq.Sci.+ WLS	0.22kt / 14 kt	$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$	
LSND*	1993- 1998	798 MeV	Water/ Metals	20-53 MeV	30 m	(CH ₂) Ch+Sci.	167 t	$\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e}$	
MiniBo oNE*	2002-	8 GeV	Be 1 horn	600 MeV	541 m	(CH ₂) <mark>Ch</mark> +Sci.	800 t	$ \begin{array}{c} \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e} \\ \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \end{array} $	<u></u>

* - Cherenkov Light used (Ch)

LBL=Long Baseline; SBL= Short Baseline OA= Off-Axis

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Short-Baseline experiment: LSND (Liquid Scintillator Neutrino Detector)

- Los Alamos, USA. 1993-1998.
- anti-ν_μ (from μ⁺-decays at rest)
- Detector: 167 t of mineral oil (CH₂)
- L=30 m / E=20-53 MeV
- Excess of anti- v_e events: 87.9±22.4 ± 6.0 (3.8 σ)
- Best fit: Δm²= <u>0.2-10 eV²</u> (very large!)

sin²(2θ) ~ 0.001-0.04 (includes constraints) *Phys.Rev. D64, 11207, 2001*

- KARMEN (UK): no confirmation
- To confirm/refute: MiniBooNE (see next slide)



Short-Baseline experiment: MiniBooNE (Mini-Booster Neutrino Experiment)

- FermiLab, IL, USA.
- 2002-...
- v_{μ} and anti- v_{μ}
- Detector: 800 t of mineral oil (CH₂)
- L=541 m / E=200-1450 MeV
- Goal: confirm/refute LSND results

 Target Hall
 Drawing not to scale
 Detector Hall
 Detector Hall

 B GeV protons
 Decay Region
 541 m
 12.2 m

 B GeV protons
 Dorn & target
 50 m
 541 m
 12.2 m

 Primary Beam
 Secondary Beam
 Neutrino Beam

 ineral Oil (CH2)
 The data are consistent with anti-v_µ → anti-v_e oscillations in the 0.1 to 1.0 eV² Am² range

and with the evidence for antineutrino oscillations from the Liquid Scintillator Neutrino Detector at Los Alamos National Laboratory."

PRL, 105, 181801 (2010)

Mode	ΡΟΤ	Excess in E=475-1250 MeV
$v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$	6.46×10 ²⁰	22.1 ±35.7
anti- $V_{\mu} \rightarrow anti-V_{e}$	5.66×10 ²⁰	20.9 ± 14.0 (1.5 σ)

Possible interpretations of LSND/MiniBooNE anomalies

• Unexplained excess in v-mode for E=(200-475) MeV : **128.8** ± **20.4** ± **38.3** (2.9 σ). PRL, 102, 101802 (2009)

Non-oscillation

Coupling between γ , Z and ω

 $v + N \rightarrow v + N + \gamma$ $\sigma \sim 2.6 \times 10^{-41} (E_v/\text{GeV})^6 (g_o/10)^4 \text{ cm}^2$

С.С.Герштейн, Ю.Я.Комаченко, М.Ю.Хлопов, ЯФ 33 (1981) 1597 J.Harvey, C.Hill, R.Hill, arXiv:0708.1281 R.Hill, arXiv:0905.0291; Jenkins, Goldman, arXiv:0906.0984 3+1 D.Meloni etal., arXiv:1007.2419

Oscillation

 $3 + 1 \mod 1$ M.Maltoni, T.Schwetz, arXiv:0051.0107 3 + 2 or 3 + 3 models

M.Maltoni, T.Schwetz, arXiv:0051.0107 A.Nelson, J.Walsh, arXiv:0711.1363

Extra dimensions

H.Pas, S.Pakvasa, T.Weiler, hep-ph/0504096 (predicted low-energy excess)

Lorentz violation

T.Katori, A.Kostelecky, R.Tayloe, hep-ph/0606154

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VSBL Electron Neutrino Disappearance C.Giunti, M.Laveder, arXiv: 0902:1992

Heavy Sterile Neutrino Decay

S.Gninenko, arXiv:0902.3802



First Long-Baseline experiment: **K2K** (KEK to Kamioka)

- KEK: Tsukuba, Ibaraki pref. Kamioka: Gifu pref., Japan.
- 1999-2001; 2003-2004
- $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}$
- Near Detector: 1 kt water Cherenkov
- Far Detector: 50 kt water Cherenkov
 L=250 km / <E>=1.3 GeV

• Data collected: 0.9xE20 POT

Phys.Rev., D74, 072003, 2006

Confirmation of SK result: oscillations with atmospheric neutrino parameters

Null-oscillation is excluded at 4.3σ:

112 observed 158.1 $^{+9.2}_{-8.6}$ expected (null oscillation)



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MINOS

(Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search)

- FermiLab, IL ->Soudan mine, MN, USA
- 2005-...
- + ν_{μ} and anti- ν_{μ}
- Near Detector: 980 t, same as Far Det. L (near)=1km
- Far Detector: 5.4 kt, magnetized Fe/Sci Tracker/Calorimeter
 L=735 km / E=3 GeV

Goal: Precise study of "atmospheric" neutrino oscillations, using the NuMI beam and two detectors









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Scintillator

orientations

MINOS: $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{\mu}$ (disappearance)





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MINOS: anti- v_{μ} disappearance

Expected $N_{exp} = 156$; Observed $N_{obs} = 97$ (6.3 σ excl. no oscillation)



"The probability that the underlying v_{μ} and $anti-v_{\mu}$ oscillation parameters are identical is 2.0%." v-mode: $|\Delta m^2|=2.32^{+0.12}_{-0.08} \times 10^{-3} eV^2$; $\sin^2(2\theta) > 0.90$ (90% C.L.) anti-v-mode: $|\Delta m^2|=(3.36^{+0.46}_{-0.40}(stat.) \pm 0.06(syst.)) \times 10^{-3} eV^2$; $\sin^2(2\theta) = 0.86^{+0.11}_{-0.12}(stat.) \pm 0.01(syst.)$

ArXiv:1104.0344 (2011)

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OPERA

(Oscillation Project with Emulsion-tRacking Apparatus)



Gran-Sasso, Italy

- 2008-...
- $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{\tau}$ (v_{τ} -direct search)
- Detector: Lead/Emulsion Hybrid + Sci.+...
- L = 732 km / <E> = 17 GeV

Hybrid Detector:

- •Two supermodules Target Mass ~1.25 ktons
- 2 Magnetic spectrometers with RPC & Drift tubes
- 2 x [31 Target Tracker planes and Target Walls]
- "ECC bricks" (56 Pb/57 Emulsion layers): 150000
- 12 M Emulsion plates (thin double-coated)





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OPERA: first v_{τ} candidate

Phys. Lett. B 691 (2010) 138; arXiv:1006.1623 [hep-ex]

Accumulated in 2008-10 \sim **9.34 x 10¹⁹ POT** Analysis of data with **1.85 x 10¹⁹ POT**

- Expected number of ν_{τ} events 0.54 \pm 013 (syst)
- Probability that this event due to background fluctuation 4.5%
- Significance of observation 2.01σ
- 20 charm decays observed
- expectation from MC 16.0 \pm 2.9

decay $\tau^{-} \rightarrow h^{-}(n\pi^{0})v_{\tau}$

 v_{τ} interaction point



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T2K (Tokai to Kamioka)



- J-PARC, Tokai-mura, Ibaraki pref. -> Kamioka, Gifu pref., Japan (J-PARC= Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex)
- Near det-s (280 m) off-axis: FGD, TPC, POD, ECAL, SMRD + on-axis: INGRID
- Far detector: Super-Kamiokande. L = 295 km; <E> = 0.6 GeV
- Goals: Searches for $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$ oscillation (v_{e} appearance, θ_{13} =x10 better than CHOOZ) Precise measurement of $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{\mu}$ (v_{μ} disappearance)
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T2K off-axis beam





T2K:

145 kW (plan:750 kW) 30 GeV proton beam Quasi-monochromatic ν_{μ} (95%) beam ~0.4% v_e at peak energy ~600 MeV

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Near Detectors



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Far Detector: SK-IV



- 50kt Water Cherenkov detector (Fiducial 22.5kt)
 @ underground (2700 m water equivalent)
- 20' ID PMT×11,129: 40% Photo coverage + 8' OD PMT×1885 :
- Dead-time less DAQ system (2008~)
- Good performance for sub-GeV v detection
 - 1^{st} oscillation maximum : $Ev \sim 0.6 \text{GeV}$ at SK position.
 - Charged current quasi-elastic (CC QE) interaction is dominant process.
 - Good e / μ separation
 - Energy reconstruction: $\Delta E/E \sim 10\%$ ($\leftarrow 2$ -body kinematics)







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Delivered proton#

Accumulated # of protons so far



T2K physics run: 2010, Jan[~]
 → Before 11/Mar/11: ~9.3×10¹³[p/pulse], 3.04[s] cycle
 → Beam power = 145kW

Integrated POT reaches 1.45×10^{20} .

- Physics results shown:
 - Analysis of the data taken from Jan. 2010 to Jun. 2010 (3.23x10¹⁹ POT)

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T2K event selection

"good beam spill" accepted by SK = 3.23x10¹⁹ POT

			MC		
		Data	No oscillation	Oscillation $\Delta m^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (eV}^2\text{)}$ $\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$ $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0$	
	Fully-Contained	33	54.5	24.6	
	Fiducial Volume, E _{vis} > 30MeV	23	36.8	16.7	
	Single-ring μ-like (P _μ >200MeV/c)	8	24.5 ±3.9	7.1 ±1.3	
	Single-ring e-like (P _e >100MeV/c)	2	1.5 ±0.7	1.3 ±0.6	
	Multi-ring	13	10.2	8.0	



T2K v_e appearance: 1 candidate

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- # of decay electron $(\mu \rightarrow e + v_e) = 0$ - Reject v_{μ} contamination : 1 event rejected.
- Reconstructed invariant mass assuming 2γ rings exist <105MeV
 - Reject π^0

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• Reconstructed v energy < 1250 MeV

Oscillation maximum at ~600 MeV









- $\mathbf{8} \mathbf{v}_{\mu}$ events observed (null oscillation: 24 expected).
- # of events agree with MINOS / SK measurements.



Earthquake in Japan

• 14:46 JST (08:46 MSK), March 11th, 2011, Japan experienced a severe earthquake followed by a tsunami

• No reported injuries to members of the T2K collaboration or JPARC employees

• All foreign collaborators have returned home safely

- The tsunami did not reach J-PARC
- Inspection of the lab is ongoing

• Priority is to restore water, power, and gas systems

• SK (Kamioka) is OK and running (for solar/atm/supernovae)





ΝΟνΑ

(NuMI Off-axis v_e Appearance)

- FermiLab, IL -> Ash River, MN, USA
- 2013 ...
- Goal: v_e appearance, mass hierarchy
- Off-axis = 0.8° .
- Near detector: 0.22 kt @ 1 km
- Far detector: 14 kt. Both: PVC filled with mineral oil + WLS fiber -> APD
- L = 810 km / <E> = 2 GeV .

Active element: Liquid scintillator U-shaped WLS fiber

Scintillator cells 3.9 x 6.0 x 1560 cm³ Read out from one side per plane with APDs

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typical charged particle

path



Conclusion

- Neutrino oscillations physics beyond the Standard Model
- Accelerator experiments: very productive and provide exciting results
- MINOS, OPERA, MiniBooNE successfully taking data
- **T2K** running for physics since January 2010
- Main goal for LBL accelerator experiments: θ_{13} key parameters which determines the future of these experiments
- Non-zero θ_{13} will give us a chance to measure mass hierarchy and to probe **CP violation** in lepton sector
- LSND/MiniBooNE: Anomalies -> sterile neutrinos?
- MINOS: ν and anti- ν results show some tension

New results are coming soon!

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Accelerators as Neutrino sources

General idea (since 1960s):

$$p \rightarrow A \rightarrow \pi^{+} \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu}$$
$$\rightarrow \pi^{-} \rightarrow \mu^{-} + \text{anti-}\nu_{\mu}$$

Progress in Accelerator technology:

- High intensity: ~10¹³-10¹⁴ p/spill
 Beam power: 100-400 kW (plan: 700-800 kW)
- Proton Beam Timing: spill length/cycle: ~few μs/~few s
 + spill micro-structure= 2-9 bunches
 - High purity: $v_{\mu} 92 \div 98\%$; $v_{e} \le 1\%$
- Off-axis neutrinos

Appearance Probability (detailed)

MiniBooNE $v_{\mu} \rightarrow$

PRL 98:231801, 2007 PRL 102:101802,2009

Data

6.46 x 10²⁰ POT

No v_e excess in oscillation signal region $E_v > 475 \text{ MeV}$



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MiniBooNE anti- v_{μ} \rightarrow anti- v_{e}

PRL, 105, 181801 (2010) 5.66 x 10²⁰ POT

"The data are consistent with anti- $v_{\mu} \rightarrow \text{anti-}v_{e}$ oscillations in the **0.1 to 1.0 eV**² Δm^{2} range and with the evidence for antineutrino oscillations from the Liquid Scintillator Neutrino Detector at Los Alamos National Laboratory."





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MINOS: $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$

7x10²⁰ POT

Efficiency for selection of v_e -CC events in Far Detector 41.6±1.0 % Background suppression in Far Detector ~93%

for $\delta = 0$

 $2sin^22\theta_{13}sin^2\theta_{23}$ < 0.12 (90% c.l.) normal hierarchy

 $2sin^22\theta_{13}sin^2\theta_{23}$ <0.20 (90% c.l.) inverted hierarchy



Best constraint on θ_{13} for almost all δ assuming $\Delta m^2 > 0$ and maximal $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$

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Expected Performance (Proposal)

Assumptions: Maximal mixing, 22.5x1019p.o.t. (5years @ 4.5x1019p.o.t./year)

τ Decay Channel	B.R. (%)	Signal	Background	
$\tau \to \mu$	17.7	2.9	0.17	
$\tau \to e$	17.8	3.5	0.17	
$\tau \to h$	49.5	3.1	0.24	
$\tau \to 3h$	15.0	0.9	0.17	
Total		10.4	0.75	
	ents: CC+NC interact nteractions $\overline{v_e}$ interactions C interactions	ions For full mixin $\Delta m^2 = 2.5 x$ (scales with (g and 10 ⁻³ eV ² (Δm ²) ²).	

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T2K physics goals

Proton energy 30 GeV, integral 8 x 10²¹ POT (~5 years)

$\nu_{\rm e}$ appearance



ν_{μ} disappearance





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ND280



Hamamatsu MPPC



About 60k photosensors

SMRD counter

endcaps

foam spring Optical connector

Hamamatsu MPPC

INGRID horizontal



INGRID vertical



UA1/NOMAD magnet

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WLS fiber

ND280

POD

server .

TPC module

Micromegas readout plane

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FGD scintillator bar

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ΔT_0 distribution (SK FC events)

Δ

B

Estimation of oscillation parameter

Upper bound of θ_{13} are evaluated by 2 independent method.

A: Feldman-Cousins B: Classical one-sided limit

Systematic uncertainties are took into account for both analysis.

90% CL upper limit at $\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} eV^2$, $\delta_{CP} = 0$

Hierarchy	Upper Limit	Sensitivity
Normal $(\Delta m_{23}^2 > 0)$	0.50	0.35
Inverted $(\Delta m_{23}^2 < 0)$	0.59	0.42

Hierarchy	Upper Limit	Sensitivity
Normal $(\Delta m_{23}^2 > 0)$	0.44	0.32
Inverted $(\Delta m_{23}^2 < 0)$	0.53	0.39

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 $\sin^2(2\theta_{13})$

 10^{-1}

 10^{-1}

 $\sin^2(2\theta_{13})$

NOvA

θ_{13} sensitivities vs time

as expected in 2006

Short baseline reactor experiments Double-Chooz, RENO and Daya Bay $\longrightarrow \theta_{13}$ (insensitive to δ_{CP})

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