Neutrino Experiments: Present, Plans, and  $\nu$  Ideas

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We have a fully self-consistent model for how neutrinos behave:

They interact via only the weak interaction. They have mass They mix

... and therefore they oscillate

This model is predictive!

Allowed region for solar neutrino oscillation measurements,



if this is due to  $v_e \rightarrow v_{other}$ 

then  $\overline{\nu}_e \rightarrow \overline{\nu}_{other}$ should be observable with the same wavelength

fit by Gonzalez-Garcia

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Allowed region for the Kamland reactor  $\overline{\nu}_{e} \rightarrow \overline{\nu}_{other}$  Experiment!



fits by Gonzalez-Garcia

The result from the Kamland reactor experiment also shows the L/E dependence one expects from oscillations!



arXiv:0801.4589

This is an amazing place to be, considering where we were only 10 years ago.

"neutrinos don't have mass, the SM says so!"

"But if they did have mass, then the natural scale is  $\Delta m^2 \sim 10 - 100 \text{ eV}^2$ In order to explain dark matter"

"And the oscillation mixing angles must be small because it must be like the quark mixing angles"







normal hierarchy

### The Frenzy to Find $\theta_{13}$ is ON!!!!



The timeline for discovery....



Daya Bay, extending another factor of >2 to ~0.01, starting 2010

# Question 2: Are we seeing maximal mixing between $v_{\mu}$ and $v_{\tau}$ in $v_3$ ?



T2K will squeeze down further on the  $v_{\mu}$ - $v_{\tau}$  mixing angle

Expected to turn on in 2009



After 5 years of running...





And at the same time....

Question 4: what is the absolute mass of  $v_3$ ? (and  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  too!) Question 5: is that coming from a Majorana mass term?



Bottom line: while there are mysteries, the model works well Neutrino and LHC Physicists have a lot in common...

Darn it! Nearly everything seems to work!

But the patterns...!?! the odd parameter values...?!? the missing pieces...!?! They must be telling us *something*. **There must be something more!**  In fact, we have been on this path for a while!

This was the program sketched out in the 2004 APS Neutrino Study...

And so it is reasonable to ask....



Two new ideas for Neutrino Physics in the US:

MicroBooNE A Tev-based Neutrino Program

### MicroBooNE

MicroBooNE is prompted by MiniBooNE is prompted by the LSND result...



Consistent with high  $\Delta m^2$ 2 neutrino oscillations



In a search with  $E_{\nu}$ >475 MeV MiniBooNE did not confirm this interpretation of LSND



But an  $\sim 3\sigma$  excess of events was observed below 475 MeV

An update with improved analysis cuts will be presented at Neutrino 2008 in May

_E <sub>v</sub> QE_[MeV]	200-300	300-475	475-1250
total background v <sub>e</sub> intrinsic v <sub>u</sub> induced	284±25 26 258	274±21 67 207	358±35 229 129
<sup>μ</sup> NC π <sup>0</sup>	115	76	62
ΝC Δ_Νγ	20	51	20
Dirt	99	50	17
other	24	30	30
Data	375±19	369±19	380±19
Data-MC	91±31	95±28	22±40

# The NuMI Beam in MiniBooNE shows a similar but less significant excess.



_ <b>E</b> , <sup>QE</sup> [MeV]	200-900	900-3000
total background $v_e$ intrinsic $v_{\mu}$ induced	401±66 311 90	261±50 231 30
<sup>-</sup> ΝC π <sup>0</sup>	30	25
ΝC Δ_Νγ	14	1
Dirt	35	1
other	11	3
Data	498±22	285±17
Data-MC	97±70	24±53
Significance	<b>1.40</b> σ	<b>0.45</b> σ

Events per bin



Again,  $\pi^0$  and  $\nu_e$ agreement with test samples was excellent



but does <u>not</u> account for form factor which cuts off the E<sup>6</sup> rise. and will the angular distribution match? More studies to do! Examples of New Physics Explanations:



1100 1300 1500 3000

[MeV]

(Giunti and Laveder, hep-ph 0707.4593)

Whatever the cause, we need to understand it

T2K's beam is the <u>same energy</u> as MiniBooNE beam and the Super K <u>detector is very similar</u>!







Introducing MicroBooNE...

A 70 ton LAr detector, running in the Booster Beam

Proposal under consideration at Fermilab

# LAr has the capability to differentiate between single photon sources





And electron-like ( $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ ) sources

- 3+2 with CP Violation
- a new interaction with B-L coupling
- etc.

Why do MicroBooNE?

- To investigate the low energy excess
- To measure cross sections
- To advance our experience with LAr TPCs

MicroBooNE could be the first LArTPC to produce cutting edge physics results

A Tevatron-based Neutrino Program

#### A Brief History...

The idea has been around for some time,

The call from the Steering Committee for "near term experiments that can be supported by an evolution of the Fermilab accelerator complex" caused the idea to gel.

# The concept was endorsed by the Steering Committee:

[An] experiment with an 800 GeV proton beam would impose approximately a five percent tax on NuMI for both Project X and SNuMI. Proton-source upgrades, particularly Project X, make possible a stronger neutrino-science program.

#### FNAL Steering Group seeks input from HEP community

Director Pier Oddone has charged Deputy Director Young-Kee Kim to lead a Steering Group to develop a strategic roadmap for the accelerator-based HEP physics program at Fermilab (see <u>Director's Corner</u>, Fermilab Today, April 17, 2007). The roadmap will outline discovery opportunities during the period before ILC construction can begin, while supporting the international R&D and engineering design for as early a start of the ILC as possible. The Steering Group, consisting of members of the US HEP community and Laboratory staff, will report to Director Oddone by August 1.

The Steering Group would like to solicit input from the HEP community as widely as possible. As part of this effort, Kim has been meeting with collaborations of experiments at Fermilab, will give a report on the Steering group's work at the Fermilab and SLAC Users Meetings on June 6 and June 7, respectively, and will conduct Town Hall meetings on the same days. To provide input, please <u>email</u> Kim a note or a letter with your thoughts.

The Steering Group would also like to hear ideas from the community on near-term experiments that can be supported by an evolution of the Fermilab accelerator complex. If you have suggestions, please write up a single-page sketch consisting of the physics case, back-of-envelope discussion of accelerator requirements, and a brief detector description. Please send your input by Monday, June 11.

You can find the charge, membership and activities of the Steering Group here. The 800 GeV Neutrino Program can provide two beams...

Beam 1: A NuTeV-style Flux (used by NuSOnG)

Uniquely high energy, and low background, produced using a sign-selected quad-train



Beam 2: A DoNuT (Discovery of the Nu Tau)-style Flux

A beam dump flux:



Uniquely enriched in  $v_{\tau}$ 's which are above threshold for CCQE

## $5 \times 10^{19}$ POT/year



Two useful publicly-available memos:

http://beamdocs.fnal.gov/AD-public/DocDB/ShowDocument?docid=2222 http://beamdocs.fnal.gov/AD-public/DocDB/ShowDocument?docid=2849 A suite of interesting experiments:

- NuSOnG
- A small  $v_{\tau}$  experiment to obtain ×100 DoNuT statistics
- A large (~5kt) magnetized LAr detector for 1E6  $v_{\tau}$  events and neutrino factory measurements
- A small dedicated search for neutrissimos (moderately-heavy neutral heavy leptons)
- A high resolution neutrino scattering experiment to study charm and QCD (HiResMuNu)

None of these experiments can be done anywhere else. This program is unique to Fermilab. NuSOnG: Neutrino Scattering On Glass





Fine-grained, massive detector (×6 mass)

1.5E20 POT in  $\nu$  , 0.5E20 POT in  $\overline{\nu}$ 

# Very high statistics!

600M	$v_{\mu}$ CC Deep Inelastic Scattering
 190M	$v_{\mu}$ NC Deep Inelastic Scattering
75k	$v_{\mu}$ electron NC elastic scatters
700k	$v_{\mu}$ electron CC quasielastic scatters (IMD)
33M	$\bar{v}_{\mu}$ CC Deep Inelastic Scattering
12M	$\bar{v}_{\mu}$ NC Deep Inelastic Scattering
7k	$\dot{\bar{v}}_{\mu}$ electron NC elastic scatters
Ok	$\bar{v}_{\mu}$ electron CC quasielastic scatters

### A unique opportunity for these channels!



#### As many thesis topics as I can type in 5 minutes...

- 1. The weak mixing angle measure from neutrino-electron scattering
- 2. The weak mixing angle measured from neutrino-quark scattering
- 3. New physics limits probed through coupling to the Z
- 4. New physics limits from the inverse muon decay cross section
- 5. Cross section measurement of neutrino and antineutrino electron scattering
- 6. A search for  $N \rightarrow \mu\mu\nu$  decay in the 5 GeV mass range
- 7. Searches for light mass neutrissimos
- 8.  $v_{\mu}$  disappearance at very high  $\Delta m^2$
- 9. A search for evidence of nonunitarity of the 3 neutrino matrix
- 10. A search for neutral heavy leptons in the 5 GeV mass range
- **11.** Constraints on muonic photons
- 12. Measurement of the CCQE cross section at high energy
- 13. Measurement of the NC $\pi$ 0 cross section at high energy
- 14. A study of the transition from single pion to DIS production at high energy
- **15.** Measurement of  $F_2$  and  $xF_3$  at very high statistics
- 16. Comparisons of  $F_2$  on nuclear targets from low to high x
- 17. High precision measurement of R from neutrino scattering
- **18.** Constraint on isospin violation from  $\Delta x F_3$
- **19.** Charm production in the emulsion target and a measure of B<sub>c</sub>
- **20.** Measurement of the strange sea and  $\Delta s$  from dimuon production
- 21. Measurement of the charm sea from wrong-sign single muon production in DIS
- 22. Neutrino vs antineutrino nuclear effects

Electroweak Measurements:



Expected errors 0.7% conservative, 0.4% best case

0.4% conservative0.2% best case

Our quoted physics case is based on the conservative estimates

Terascale Physics Opportunities at a High Statistics, High Energy Neutrino Scattering Experiment: NuSOnG

http://arxiv.org/abs/0803.0354

Mass scale reach of 1 to 7 TeV depending on model,





A final thought in closing

#### These new experiments need support from you.



Frankly put, the US accelerator program is facing dark days. And this affects everyone, whether you work here or LHC What we need is a different kind of thinking...

We need to develop ideas which:

- Will build on existing infrastructure
- Are not too costly
- Can be implemented quickly -- within 5-10 years!
- DO INTERESTING, UNIQUE PHYSICS

The Phenomenology Community can be leaders on this!

Neutrino experiments are a great place to start.

And great way to start developing new ideas is to attend the exciting neutrino talks TODAY!

#### Neutrino Experiments

Contribution List Time Table Monday, 28 April 2008 14:00 [115] Neutrino Properties from Neutrino Telescopes by Ms. Irina MOCIOIU (Pennsylvania State University) (TBD: 14:00 - 14:15) [123] Direct Searches for New Physics at NuSOnG and Other Neutrino Experiments by Ms. Georgia KARAGIORGI (Columbia University) (TBD: 14:15 - 14:30) [124] The Terascale Physics Reach of NuSOnG by Prof. William LOINAZ (Amherst College) (TBD: 14:30 - 14:45) [126] Global Lorentz Violation Model for Neutrino Oscillation with MiniBooNE by Mr. Teppel KATORI (Indiana University) (TBD: 14:45 - 15:00) 15:00 [127] NC pi0 Production in the MiniBooNE Antineutrino Data by Ms. Van NGUYEN (Columbia University) (TBD: 15:00 - 15:15) [128] Multi-Beam Strategy for Low Energy Neutrino-Nucleus Cross-Sections by Mr. Rainer SCHIEL (University of Kansas) (TBD: 15:15 - 15:30) [129] Constraints on Non-Standard Interactions of the Neutrinos using Borexino

by Mr. Yee KAO (Virginia Tech) (TBD: 15:30 - 15:45)

[130] The Daya Bay Neutrino Experiment by Dr. Wel WANG (University of Wisconsin) (TBD: 15:45 - 16:00)

#### Neutrino Models

Monday, 28 April 2008

Contribution List Time Table

16:00

[157] Interaction of Dirac and Majorana Neutrinos with Weak Gravitational Fields by Hr. Arun THALAPILLIL (University of Chkago) (TBD: 16:30 - 16:45)

[159] Small Neutrino Masses in a TeV Scale Seesaw Model with a Z' by Prof. Hu-Chun CHEN (UC Irvine) (TBD: 16:45 - 17:00)

17:00 [161] TriMinimal Parametrization of the Neutrino Mixing Matrix by Prof. Tom WEILER (Vanderbilt University) (TBD: 17:00 - 17:15)

[163] Precision Measurement of Neutrino Oscillation Parameters with KamLAND by Dr. Daniel DWYER (Caltech) (TBD: 17:15 - 17:30)

[167] Minimal Neutrinoless Double Beta-Decay Rates from Approximate Flavor Symmetries by Hr. James JENKINS (Northwestern University) (TBD: 17:30 - 17:45)

[169] The Search for Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay with the CUORE Experiment by Dr. Samuele SANGIORGIO (University of Wisconsin) (TBD: 17:45 - 18:00)

18:00 [170] Implications of Electroweak-Scale Right-Handed Neutrinos by Prof. P. Q. HUNG (University of Virginia) (TBD: 18:00 - 18:15)