# Non-zero $\theta_{13}$ and Beyond

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Over the last fourteen years or so, marvellous data from world-class experiments

- Solar neutrinos ( $\nu_e$ )
- **Atmospheric neutrinos**  $(\nu_{\mu}, \bar{\nu}_{\mu}, \nu_{e}, \bar{\nu}_{e})$
- **D** Reactor anti-neutrinos  $(\bar{\nu}_e)$
- **D** Accelerator neutrinos  $(\nu_{\mu}, \bar{\nu}_{\mu})$

Data driven field – new data are coming

Data from various neutrino sources and vastly different energy and distance scales

We have just started our journey in the mysterious world of neutrinos!

# Neutrino Flavor Oscillations

Neutrino oscillation experiments have revealed that neutrinos change flavor after propagating a finite distance. The rate of change depends on the **neutrino energy**  $E_v$  and **the baseline** L

- $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  and  $\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\tau}$  atmospheric experiments ["indisputable"];
- $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu,\tau}$  solar experiments
- $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{other}$  reactor neutrinos
- $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{other}$  from accelerator experiments

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The simplest and **only satisfactory** explanation of **all** this data is that neutrinos have distinct masses, and they mix. A 3 flavor v oscillation framework can accommodate all the data

# Finite neutrino masses required by the experimental data provide the **first hint for physics beyond the Standard Model**

**!! An extension of the Standard Model is necessary !!** 

New parameters (masses, angles, phases) need to be measured and understood!

### Neutrino Flavor Oscillations (continued..)

• Neutrino oscillations occur because the flavor (weak) eigenstates do not coincide with the mass eigenstates  $\begin{bmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{3} U_{\alpha i}^{*} |\nu_{i}\rangle \quad (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau) \qquad U_{PMNS} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The neutrinos interact as a flavor state, but propagate as a superposition of the three mass states. Over a distance *L*, changes in the relative phases of the mass states may induce neutrino flavor change
- Assume two neutrino flavors for simplicity:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nu_{\mu} \\ \nu_{\tau} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_{2} \\ \nu_{3} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{aligned} |\nu_{\mu}(t)\rangle &= \cos\theta e^{-iE_{2}t}|\nu_{2}\rangle + \sin\theta e^{-iE_{3}t}|\nu_{3}\rangle \\ E_{i} &= \sqrt{p^{2} + m_{i}^{2}} \end{aligned}$$

• Probability that a  $v_{\mu}$  remains  $v_{\mu}$  after some time *t*:

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{\mu}) = |\langle \nu_{\mu} | \nu_{\mu}(t) \rangle|^2 \simeq 1 - \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(1.27\Delta m_{32}^2 \frac{L[\text{km}]}{E[\text{GeV}]}\right)$$

 Neutrino oscillations depend on L, the neutrino energy E, and the mixing parameters

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**NEUTRINO** 

0% TAU

NEUTRINO

100% TAU

NEUTRINO

0% MUON

#### Neutrino Oscillations in Matter

- > Interactions in matter modify the oscillation probability significantly
- Coherent forward elastic scattering of neutrinos with matter particles
- $\blacktriangleright$  Charged current interaction of  $v_e$  with electrons creates a potential for  $v_e$

$$A = \pm 2\sqrt{2}G_F \cdot E \cdot n_e$$



 $n_e$  = electron number density, + (-) for neutrinos (anti-neutrinos) Creates an additional phase for  $v_e$  and changes the oscillation probability

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) - P(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha} \to \bar{\nu}_{\beta}) \neq 0$$

even if  $\delta = 0$ , causes fake CP asymmetry

 $Mm^2 \simeq A \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E_{\rm res}^{\rm Earth} = 6 - 8 \, {
m GeV} \implies {
m Resonant \ conversion} - {
m the \ MSW \ effect}$ 



Resonance occurs for neutrinos (anti-neutrinos) if  $\Delta m^2$  is positive (negative)

# **Three Flavor Mixing Hypothesis**



U is a 3×3 unitary matrix containing  $\theta_{23}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\theta_{12}$  and one CP violating (Dirac) phase  $\delta$ 

$$\tan^2 \theta_{12} \equiv \frac{|U_{e2}|^2}{|U_{e1}|^2}; \quad \tan^2 \theta_{23} \equiv \frac{|U_{\mu3}|^2}{|U_{\tau3}|^2}; \quad U_{e3} \equiv \sin \theta_{13} e^{-i\delta}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.52^{+0.06}_{-0.07} \quad (\theta_{23} = 46.14^{\circ})$$
  

$$\Delta m^2_{31} = \frac{2.50^{+0.09}_{-0.16}}{-(2.40^{+0.08}_{-0.09})} \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$$
  

$$\Delta m^2_{12} = (7.59^{+0.20}_{-0.18}) \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$$

#### 2011-2012: Important Breakthroughs in 1-3 mixing

T2K (June 2011):  $sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.03 - 0.34$  @ 90% C.L

T2K collaboration, arXiv:1106.2822 [hep-ex]

MINOS (July 2011):  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \neq 0$  @ 89% C.L.

MINOS collaboration, arXiv:1108.0015 [hep-ex]

Double CHOOZ (December 2011):  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.017 - 0.16$  @ 90% C.L

Double CHOOZ collaboration, arXiv:1112.6353 [hep-ex]

Daya Bay (March 2012):  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.092 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.005$  @ 68% C.L. Daya Bay collaboration, arXiv:1203.1669 [hep-ex]

 $sin^2 2\theta_{13} \neq 0$  @ 5.2 $\sigma$ 

 $\square \qquad RENO (April 2012): \sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.113 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.019 @ 68\% C.L.$ 

RENO collaboration, arXiv:1204.0626v2 [hep-ex]

 $sin^2 2\theta_{13} \neq 0$  @ 4.9 $\sigma$ 

# The $\theta_{13}$ Revolution



Big News: We have discovered the 1-3 mixing angle!

By the end of 2012, this will be the most precisely known mixing angle in the PMNS matrix! S. K. Agarwalla, Calcutta University, Kolkata, India, 26th April, 2012 7/27

# Latest results on $\theta_{13}$ : What happened to Mass models?



Is tri-bimaximal neutrino mixing pattern still allowed?

See, Brahmachari and Raychaudhuri, arXiv:1204.5619v1 [hep-ph]

#### **Unsolved Issues in Neutrino Oscillation**



### **The Current Generation**

Currently running & upcoming superbeam and reactor experiments

Setup	$t_{\nu}$ [yr]	<i>t</i> <sub><i>ν</i></sub> [yr]	$P_{\mathrm{Th}}$ or $P_{\mathrm{Target}}$	L [km]	Detector tech	$m_{ m Det}$
Double Chooz	-	3	8.6 GW	1.05	Liquid scint	8.3 t
Daya Bay	-	3	17.4 GW	1.7	Liquid scint	80 t
RENO	-	3	16.4 GW	1.4	Liquid scint	15.4 t
T2K	5	-	0.75 MW	295	Water Cerenkov	22.5 kt
ΝΟνΑ	3	3	0.7 MW	810	TASD	15 kt

P. Huber etal., JHEP 11 044 (2009)

#### **Double Chooz, Daya Bay, RENO: Reactor experiments**

- Electron anti-neutrino disappearance at reactors with  $L \approx 1 \text{ km}$
- "Clean" measurement of  $\theta_{13}$ :  $P \approx 1 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2(\Delta m_{31}^2 L/4E)$

T2K, NOvA :  $v_{\mu}$  to  $v_{e}$  transitions at Accelerator experiments

•Oscillation probability complicated : Depends on  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\delta_{CP}$ , and mass hierarchy

#### MH & CPV discovery without new experiments



P. Huber etal., JHEP 11 044 (2009)

Expectation in 2025 without new facilities at  $3\sigma$  C.L.

Combined results expected from: T2K + NOvA + Double Chooz + Daya Bay + RENO (Including Project X and T2K operating at 1.66 MW)

More than 70% of parameter space are not accessible. New experiments needed

#### Superbeams



Neutrino beam from  $\pi$ -decay They are called "super" : why?

- $\blacksquare \ Beam \ power \sim 1 \ MW$
- $\blacksquare$  Detector mass  $\sim 100 \text{ kt}$
- **\square** Running time of the experiment  $\sim 10$  years

Price

# **Platinum Channel** (P<sub>µe</sub>)

The appearance probability  $(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e})$  in matter, upto second order in the small parameters  $\alpha \equiv \Delta m_{21}^{2} / \Delta m_{31}^{2}$  and  $\sin 2\theta_{13}$ ,

$$\begin{split} P_{\mu e} &\simeq & \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23} \frac{\sin^2[(1-\hat{A})\Delta]}{(1-\hat{A})^2} \Longrightarrow \theta_{13} \text{ Driven} \\ &- & \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \xi \sin \delta_{CP} \sin(\Delta) \frac{\sin(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}} \frac{\sin[(1-\hat{A})\Delta]}{(1-\hat{A})} \Longrightarrow \text{ CP odd} \\ &+ & \alpha \sin 2\theta_{13} \xi \cos \delta_{CP} \cos(\Delta) \frac{\sin(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}} \frac{\sin[(1-\hat{A})\Delta]}{(1-\hat{A})} \Longrightarrow \text{ CP even} \\ &+ & \alpha^2 \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^2(\hat{A}\Delta)}{\hat{A}^2}; \Longrightarrow \text{ Solar Term} \end{split}$$

where  $\Delta \equiv \Delta m_{31}^2 L/(4E)$ ,  $\xi \equiv \cos \theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{21} \sin 2\theta_{23}$ , and  $\hat{A} \equiv \pm (2\sqrt{2}G_F n_e E)/\Delta m_{31}^2$ 

> Cervera etal., hep-ph/0002108 Freund etal., hep-ph/0105071

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# **Eight-fold Degeneracy**

# $\blacksquare \ (\theta_{13}, \, \delta_{CP}) \text{ intrinsic degeneracy}$

Burguet-Castell, Gavela, Gomez-Cadenas, Hernandez, Mena, hep-ph/0103258

 $(sgn(\Delta m_{31}^2), \delta_{CP}) \text{ degeneracy}$ 

Minakata, Nunokawa, hep-ph/0108085

$$\blacksquare \quad (\theta_{23}, \pi/2 - \theta_{23}) \text{ degeneracy}$$

Fogli, Lisi, hep-ph/9604415

#### Severely deteriorates the sensitivity

# **Future Facilities for Long Baseline Neutrinos**



LBNE – a plan to build a new neutrino beam at Fermilab aimed at Homestake, where either a large water Cerenkov detector or a LAr tracking calorimeter would be built

# In Japan





LAGUNA/LAGUNA-LBNO – study considering three detector options for astroparticle physics and new long baseline in Europe

Each of the three community ≈ same size

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# European Policy: LAGUNA-LBNO



arXiv:1109.6526 [hep-ph]

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An incremental approach to unravel the neutrino mass hierarchy and CP violation with a long-baseline Superbeam for large  $\theta_{13}$ 

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<sup>c</sup> ETH Zurich, Institute for Particle Physics, CH-8093 Zürich, Switzerland Large  $\theta_{13}$  will have crucial impact on the optimization of the future long baseline Superbeam experiments

Large  $\theta_{13}$  allows us to pursue a staged approach in terms of the size of the experiments

Progressive increase of the beam power & detector mass



*Produce significant physics results at each phase !!* 

#### **CERN-Pyhäsalmi Superbeam Experiment**

Longest Baseline in Europe → CERN-Pyhäsalm = 2290 km → Strong Matter Effect



Wide Band Beam → Higher statistics → cover several L/E values → kill clone solutions

LAr Detector 
→ Excellent Detection efficiency at 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Oscillation maxima

# Superbeam Flux and Platinum Channel (P<sub>ue</sub>)



- ➢ New high power accelerator (HP-PS2)
- ➢ 50 GeV proton beam, power 1.6 MW
- >  $3 \times 10^{21}$  protons on target/yr (200 days/yr)

 $\blacktriangleright$  @ flux level, 0.62% intrinsic  $v_e$  contamination

≻Both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Osc. Maxima important

≻*High L, High E, High cross-section* 

Eless uncertainties in  $\sigma$  at high E

## Signal and Background

$$N_{i} = \frac{T n_{n} \epsilon}{4\pi L^{2}} \int_{0}^{E_{\max}} dE \int_{E_{A_{i}}^{\min}}^{E_{A_{i}}^{\max}} dE_{A} \phi(E) \sigma_{\nu_{e}}(E) R(E, E_{A}) P_{\mu e}(E) P_{\mu e}(E)$$

 $exposure = (pot per year) \times (fiducial mass of detector in kt) \times (total runtime in years)$ 

It has units of pot.kt



 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.05, \ \delta_{CP} = 0^\circ, \ 1500 \times 10^{21} \text{ pot.kt}$ 

Channel	CERN-Pyhäsalmi (2290 km)		
	Signal	Background	
	CC	Int+Mis-id+NC = Total	
$ u_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \text{ (NH)} $	2364	419+100+103= <b>622</b>	
$ u_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \text{ (IH)} $	485	439+100+103= <b>642</b>	
$\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e} (\text{NH})$	304	128+42+45=215	
$\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e}$ (IH)	1049	122+43+45= 210	

Agarwalla, Li, Rubbia, arXiv:1109.6526 [hep-ph]

Intrinsic v<sub>e</sub> contamination causes highest background: Near Detector must

#### Neutrino Mass Hierarchy Discovery



Equal sharing of neutrino & anti-neutrino running. NH requires less exposure than IH

Neutrino Mass ordering will be discovered at  $5\sigma$  with lowest exposure at 2290 km

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#### **CP** violation discovery is never easy!



CP violation measurement is never easy even for the largest values of  $\theta_{13}$ 

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#### Leptonic CP violation Discovery



Equal sharing of neutrino & anti-neutrino running. IH requires less exposure than NH We can cover 30%, 50% & 70% of parameter space with 3 defining exposures

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Is there any fastest way of determining the mass hierarchy?

We have one proposal!

Probing the Neutrino Mass Hierarchy with Super-Kamiokande

Agarwalla, Hernanadez, arXiv:1204.4217 [hep-ph]

Send a superbeam (average energy of 5 GeV) from CERN towards existing and well-understood Super-Kamiokande (L = 8770 km)

This setup can reveal the neutrino MH at  $5\sigma$  in less than two years irrespective of the true hierarchy and CP phase

The measurement relies on the near resonant matter effect in the  $v_{\mu}$  to  $v_{e}$  oscillation channel, & can be done counting the total number of appearance events with just a neutrino beam

#### CERN-Kamioka (8770 km)



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# **Results**

Central (true) Values	External $1\sigma$ error
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}(\text{true}) = 0.113$	$\sigma(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}) = 0.023$
$\Delta m_{31}^2(\text{true}) = 2.45 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ (NH)}$	$\sigma(\Delta m_{31}^2) = 5\%$
$\Delta m_{31}^2(\text{true}) = -2.34 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ (IH)}$	$\sigma(\Delta m_{31}^2) = 5\%$
$\theta_{23}(\text{true}) = 45^{\circ}$	$\sigma(\theta_{23}) = 10\%$
$\Delta m_{21}^2$ (true) = 7.59 × 10 <sup>-5</sup> eV <sup>2</sup>	$\sigma(\Delta m_{21}^2) = 3\%$
$\theta_{12}(\text{true}) = 33.96^{\circ}$	$\sigma(\theta_{12}) = 3\%$
$\rho(true) = 1$	$\sigma(\rho)=2\%$

	CERN-Kamioka (8870 km)			
Channel	Signal	Background		
	CC-1 ring	${\rm Int+Mis\text{-}id+NC}={\rm Total}$		
$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \ (\text{NH})$	44	1+2+16=19		
$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \ (\text{IH})$	2	1+3+16=20		
$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu} \ (\text{NH})$	83	2		
$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu} \ (\text{IH})$	91	2		



#### **Ultimately What Are We Trying To Understand?**



# **Concluding Remarks**

Neutrino oscillation is an exclusive example of experimental evidence for physics beyond the Standard Model

**Recent results on 1-3 mixing angle is very exciting!** 

Following the recent discoveries, we need to re-optmize the future neutrino roadmap to explore the information on mass hierarchy and leptonic CP violation!

The work has been started just now.....

Thank you!

#### Backup Slides: See-Saw & Neutrino Mass

