Constraining new physics with Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering













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- Coherent Elastic Neutrino Nucleus Scattering.
- The COHERENT Experiment.
- Future experimental prospects.
- Phenomenolgy of $CE\nu NS$.

Conclusions.

Coherent **Elastic** Neutrino Nucleus



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CEvNS as a Standard Model prediction

A neutral current process





The good news

- Large cross section.
- Small detectors needed.

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\mathcal{N}}}{dE_{\mathrm{nr}}}\Big|_{\mathrm{CE}\nu\mathrm{NS}}^{\mathrm{SM}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_N}{\pi} F_W^2 (\left|\vec{q}\right|^2) \left(Q_V^{\mathrm{SM}}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_N E_{\mathrm{nr}}}{2E_\nu^2}\right)$$



The not so good news

• Very low energy thresholds needed.

Diana Parno's Talk at Magnificent CEvNS 2024

Measuring CE ν NS at the Spallation Neutron Source

The COHERENT experiment



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Production of neutrinos from pion and muon decay at rest.



$$\left(Q_V^{SM}\right)^2 = \left(g_V^p Z + g_V^n N\right)^2 \sim N^2$$

$$g_V^p = \frac{1}{2} - \sin^2\theta \qquad g_V^n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Different sources for CEvNS measurements

Current experiments and future prospects.



Phenomenology of CEvNS

A variety of models can be tested



Weak Mixing Angle

M. Cadeddu et al Phys.Rev. C 104 (2021)
D. Aristizabal et al JHEP 09 (2022) 076
V. De Romeri et al JHEP 04 (2023) 035
B. C. Canas et al Phys. Lett. B 784 (2018)



Neutron rms radius

M. Cadeddu et al Rev. Lett. 120 (2018)O. Miranda et al JHEP 2005 (2020) 130R. R. Rossi et al Phys. Rev. D 109 (2024)





Non-Standard Interactions

P. B. Denton et al JHEP 04 (2021) 266 O. Miranda et al New J.Phys. 17 (2015)



Magnetic Moments

T. Kosmas et al Phys.Rev. D92 (2015) M. Atzori Corona et al JHEP 09 (2022) 164



Sterile neutrinos

O. G. Miranda et al JHEP 12 (2021) 191 V. De Romeri et al JHEP 04 (2023) 035



Leptoquark Models

R. Calabrese et al Phys. Rev. D 107 (2023) V. De Romeri et al Phys.Rev.D 109 (2024)





Standard Model tests at low energies

Weak mixing angle and neutron rms radius – Current COHERENT

Present in CE ν NS cross section within the weak charge Q_W .



- Present in CE ν NS cross section within $F(q^2)$.
- F(q^2) parametrizes the distribution of neutrons.



De Romeri, Miranda, Papoulias, **GSG**, Tórtola, and Valle, JHEP 04 (2023) 035

Beyond the Standard Model physics Non-Standard Interactions – Current COHERENT

The Model

Neutral current Lagrangian introduced to allow for non-universal and flavor changing interactions.



$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{NC}}^{\mathrm{NSI}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{q,\ell,\ell'} \varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{qX} (\bar{\nu}_{\ell} \gamma^{\mu} P_L \nu_{\ell'}) (\bar{f} \gamma_{\mu} P_X f) ,$$



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Non-Universal NSI



Interplay between SM and new physics XÞ

NSI and neutron rms radius – Current COHERENT

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Rossi, GSG, and Tórtola Phys. Rev. D 109 (2024)

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Interplay between SM and new physics X

NSI and neutron rms radius – Current COHERENT – Future reactor

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Reactor neutrinos are not sensitive to the nuclear structure.



Beyond the Standard Model physics

Electromagnetic properties of neutrinos – Current COHERENT

The Model

Massive neutrinos can induce a neutrino coupling to the photon at loop level



$$\Lambda_{\mu}^{fi}(q) = \left(\gamma_{\mu} - q_{\mu} \not{\!\!\!\!/} q^2\right) \left[\mathbb{f}_Q^{fi}(q^2) + \mathbb{f}_A^{fi}(q^2) q^2 \gamma_5 \right] - i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \left[\mathbb{f}_M^{fi}(q^2) + i\mathbb{f}_E^{fi}(q^2) \gamma_5 \right]$$

Neutrino Magnetic Moment

No Interference with SM cross section.



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S₁ Beyond the Standard Model physics

Leptoquark scenarios – Future COHERENT

The Model

Hypothetical particles that couple to both leptons and quarks in many extensions to the SM.



$$\mathcal{L} \subset (\lambda_{1j} \bar{u}^c P_L \ell_j - \lambda_{1j} \bar{d}^c P_L \nu_j) S_1^{-1/3} + \text{h.c.}$$

Singlet under SU(2)_L



De Romeri, Lozano, and **GSG**, Phys.Rev.D 109 (2024)

Conclusions

- \blacktriangleright CE ν NS is a powerful tool to perform tests of the SM.
- We can also use CEνNS to constrain new physics scenarios such as NSI, magnetic moments and leptoquark parameters.
- Combination of detectors can help to reduce degeneracies in the parameter space.
- Many different experiments are on their way to take more data.

Thank you!











