

# Scalar-NSI: An unique tool to probe New Physics

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# Introduction

- Wolfenstein introduced non-standard interactions (NSI), opening up the possibility of probing New Physics using neutrino oscillation.
- NSI are assumed to be mediated by vector and axial-vector interactions mediated by W and Z bosons.
- In recent studies a new kind of scalar particle is introduced to mediate the interactions.

Thus, we have two types of NSI namely vector NSI and scalar NSI.

- Vector NSI modifies the potential where as the scalar NSI (SNSI) appears as a correction to the mass term.

Thus, the Hamiltonians can be expressed as:

$$H_{mat}^V \sim E_\nu + \frac{MM^\dagger}{2E_\nu} + (V_{SI} + V_{NSI})$$

$$H_{mat}^S \sim E_\nu + \frac{M_{eff}M_{eff}^\dagger}{2E} + V_{SI}$$

where  $M_{eff} = M + M_{SNSI}$

- The effective Lagrangian in the presence of SNSI:

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \sum_{f,\alpha,\beta} \frac{y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{m_\phi^2} (\bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta) (\bar{f} f) \quad (1)$$

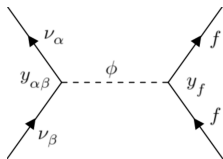


Figure: Feynmann diagram contributing to SNSI.

where

- $\alpha, \beta$  refer to the neutrino flavors.
- $f = e, u, d$  indicate the matter fermions.
- $y_{\alpha\beta}$  is the Yukawa couplings of the neutrinos with the scalar mediator  $\phi$ .
- $y_f$  is the Yukawa coupling of  $\phi$  with  $f$ .

- The effect of scalar NSI appears as an addition to the neutrino mass term.
- The corresponding Dirac equation, taking into account the effect of SNSI:

$$\bar{\nu}_\alpha [i\partial_\mu \gamma^\mu + (M_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\sum N_f y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{m_\phi^2})] \nu_\beta = 0 \quad (2)$$

With

$$\delta M = \frac{\sum N_f y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{m_\phi^2}$$

- The effect of SNSI appears as a correction term:

$$\delta M = \sqrt{|\Delta m_{31}^2|} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_{ee} & \eta_{e\mu} & \eta_{e\tau} \\ \eta_{\mu e} & \eta_{\mu\mu} & \eta_{\mu\tau} \\ \eta_{\tau e} & \eta_{\tau\mu} & \eta_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

- We will focus on the off-diagonal complex SNSI parameters ( $\eta_{e\mu}$ ,  $\eta_{e\tau}$  and  $\eta_{\mu\tau}$ ) in this work.

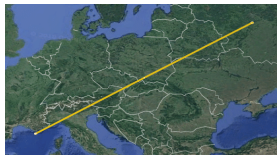
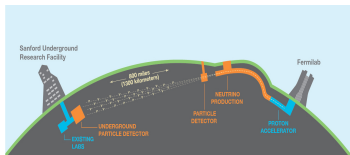
## Simulation details

# Simulation details:

## ● DUNE: (Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment)

- Baseline- 1300 km
- Beam Power- 1.2 MW  $\rightarrow 1.1 \times 10^{21}$  POT
- Run time -  $6.5\nu + 6.5\bar{\nu}$
- $\rho = 2.848 \text{ g/cm}^3$

\* B. Abi et al. (DUNE), (2021), arXiv:2103.04797 [hep-ex]



## ● P2SO: (Protvino to Super-ORCA)

- Baseline- 2595 km
- Beam Power- 420 KW  $\rightarrow 4 \times 10^{20}$  POT
- Run time -  $3\nu + 3\bar{\nu}$
- $\rho = 2.95 \text{ g/cm}^3$

\*A. V. Akindinov et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 758 (2019).



- We have estimated the sensitivity in terms of  $\chi^2$  analysis. We use the Poisson log-likelihood:

$$\chi^2 \sim \frac{[N^{\text{true}}(\eta_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{true}}=0) - N^{\text{test}}(\eta_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{test}} \neq 0)]^2}{N^{\text{true}}(\eta_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{true}}=0)}.$$

- The true values for our analysis, obtained from NuFIT results.

| Parameters                     | Bestfit value $\pm 1\sigma$     | $3\sigma$                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| $\sin^2\theta_{12}$            | $0.303^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$       | $0.270 \rightarrow 0.341$     |
| $\sin^2\theta_{13}$            | $0.02225^{+0.00056}_{-0.00059}$ | $0.02052 \rightarrow 0.02398$ |
| $\sin^2\theta_{23}$            | $0.451^{+0.019}_{-0.016}$       | $0.408 \rightarrow 0.603$     |
| $\delta_{CP}$                  | $232^{+0.36}_{-0.26}$           | $144 \rightarrow 350$         |
| $\Delta m_{21}^2/10^{-5} eV^2$ | $7.41^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$          | $6.82 \rightarrow 8.03$       |
| $\Delta m_{31}^2/10^{-3} eV^2$ | $+2.507^{+0.026}_{-0.027}$      | $+2.427 \rightarrow +2.590$   |

**Table:** Oscillation parameters from NuFIT 5.2 considering Normal Ordering.

(\*JHEP 09, 178(2020), arXiv:2007.14792 [hep-ph])

# Results

# Bounds on the SNSI parameters:

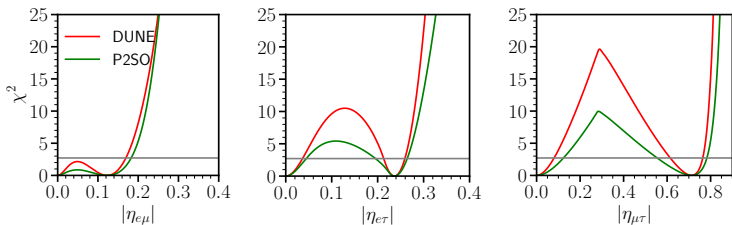
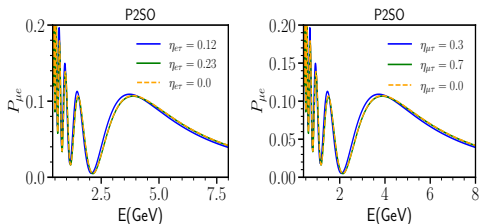


Figure: Sensitivity on the SNSI off-diagonal parameters for P2SO(green) and DUNE(red).



# Mass Hierarchy Sensitivity:

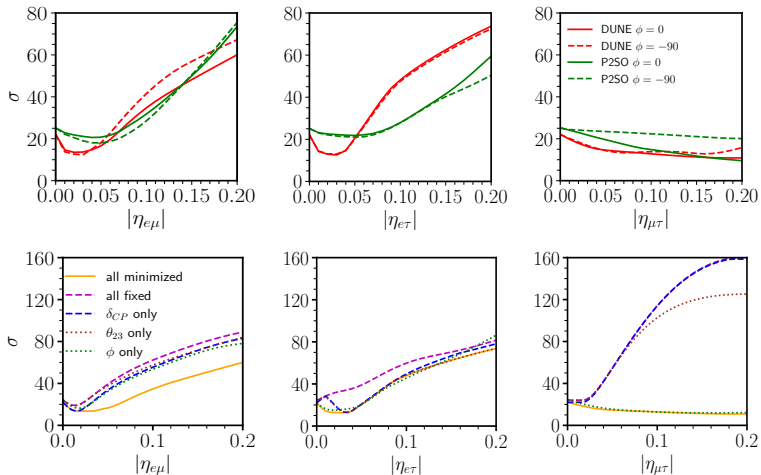


Figure: MH Sensitivity as a function of  $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$  for different value of true Phases.

# CPV sensitivity:

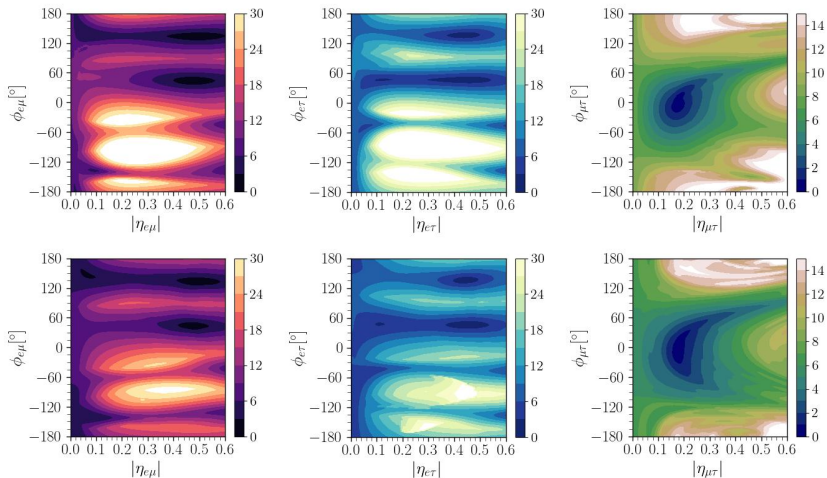


Figure: CP violation sensitivity as a function of  $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}$ .

## Summary and Conclusion

- We obtained bounds on the SNSI off-diagonal parameters and explained the behaviours by probability plots.
- The SNSI parameter  $\eta_{\mu\tau}$  is loosely bound compared to  $\eta_{e\mu}$  and  $\eta_{e\tau}$ .
- $\Delta m_{31}^2$  plays a very non-trivial role for bounds on these off-diagonal parameters, suggesting utmost care should be taken on  $\Delta m_{31}^2$  minimization.
- In MH sensitivity plots, we obtained similar behaviour from  $\eta_{e\mu}$  and  $\eta_{e\tau}$ . The sensitivity first decreases and then increases linearly.
- We see for certain values of  $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\phi_{\alpha\beta}$ , the CPV sensitivity almost reducing to zero.
- We find the SNSI parameter  $\eta_{\mu\tau}$  and the corresponding phase are very crucial while determining oscillation parameters.

Thank you for your attention!