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Standard Model Mountain



Standard Model

Three-Neutrino Oscillations



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With massive neutrinos, **flavor** eigenstates of the weak interaction are related to **mass** eigenstates of the freeparticle Hamiltonian:

$$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{i} U_{\alpha i}^{*} |\nu_{i}\rangle$$

$$\underbrace{\mathsf{Atmospheric}}_{\& \text{Accelerator}} \qquad \underbrace{\mathsf{Reactor}}_{\& \text{Reactor}} \qquad \underbrace{\mathsf{Solar}}_{\& \text{KamLAND}} \\ U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & \sin\theta_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{13}e^{-i\delta} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle \rightarrow |\nu(L \sim t)\rangle = \sum_{i} U_{\alpha i}^{*} |\nu_{i}\rangle e^{-i(m_{i}^{2}L/2E)}$$

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LSND

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Sterile Neutrinos

Extending the Three-Neutrino Paradigm

- Number of active neutrino flavors is fixed to three by Z width (LEP)
- Additional non-interacting neutrino states, detectable through impact on oscillations
- \blacktriangleright PMNS matrix expands to $N\!\!\times\!N$
- New mixing angles, mass splittings, and possibly CP-violating phases
- ▶ 3+1, 3+N, 1+3+1, ...



An effective two-neutrino model

$$P_{\alpha\beta} = 4|U_{\alpha4}|^2|U_{\beta4}|^2\sin^2\left(1.27\frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{E}\right)$$



MiniBooNE

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The Reactor Anomaly

- ▶ New flux calculations create/reveal a deficit in reactor neutrino measurements
- ▶ Uncertainties remain large, plus unaccounted-for structure in energy



$\begin{array}{c} Gallium \\ {\rm GALLEX/GNO \ and \ SAGE} \end{array}$

- Radiochemical solar neutrino detectors
 - $\nu_e + {}^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow {}^{71}\text{Ge} + e^{-1}$
- Efficiency measurements with MCi $^{51}\mathrm{Cr}~\nu_e$ source
- ▶ Both observe a deficit: short-baseline v_e oscillations with $L/E \sim 1$ m/MeV?



GALLEX/GNO Gran Sasso, Italy





SAGE Baksan, Russia



http://cerncourier.com/cws/article/cern/6879511



k = 1, 2, ... K

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99%CI

Disappearance

Tension in Measurements

▶ Meanwhile, no evidence in disappearance (and other appearance) searches:

ν_e Appearance

- ► KARMEN (Karlsruhe, $\bar{\nu}_e$) \rightarrow limit
- ▶ ICARUS (CNGS) \rightarrow limit
- ▶ NOMAD (CERN SPS) \rightarrow limit

ν_e Disappearance

► KARMEN + LSND $\nu_e - C \rightarrow \text{limit}$

ν_{μ} Disappearance

- ▶ MiniBooNE + SciBooNE $(\nu_{\mu}, \bar{\nu}_{\mu}) \rightarrow \text{limit}$
- ▶ MINOS (FNAL NuMI) \rightarrow limit
- ▶ CCFR (FNAL, 1985), CDHS (CERN, 1984) \rightarrow limit
- ▶ IceCube (latest 2016) \rightarrow limit

 $Based \ on \ arxiv: 1609.07803$

Signals & Limits Tension in Measurements



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MiniBooNE 2018 results, arxiv:1805.12028

So What?







Case 0: Moral Imperative

 Hints of BSM physics in several experiments, significant tension in data

Case 1: Long-Baseline Neutrino Physics

- New Physics: Modified survival probabilities, maybe more CP phases
- Systematic: e.g. Low-E background production modeling is poor

Case 2: Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay, e.g.

- Searches for lepton number violation to determine Dirac/Majorana nature of the neutrino
- Sensitive to $\Gamma^{0\nu} \propto |\Sigma_i U_{ei}^2 m_i|^2$



The Short-Baseline Neutrino Program A Definitive Test of Short-Baseline Oscillations



- ▶ Three liquid argon TPCs in the Fermilab Booster Neutrino Beam
 - ▶ Same argon target, functionally similar detectors
- Definitive test of LSND oscillations using three baselines
- \blacktriangleright Simultaneous ν_{μ} disappearance and $\nu_{\rm e}$ appearance searches

Liquid Argon

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₩ Brr! 87K























 u_{μ}

Top-down view

LArTPCs provide a detailed view of each neutrino interaction



Run 3469 Event 28734, October 21st, 2015



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LAr1-ND (100m) MicroBooNE

T600 (on-axis)

SBND (100 MicroBooNE JE

T600 (on-axis) 22

A Three-Detector Experiment

Leveraging Correlations to Minimize Systematics

LAr1-ND (100m) MicroBooNE T600 (on-axis)

A Three-Detector Experiment

Leveraging Correlations to Minimize Systematics

Detector Modeling & Uncertainties

- Particle propagation (Geant4)
- Electron drift (space charge, diffusion, recombination, electronics response)
- Photon propagation (scintillation yield, detector response, triggering)

Challenges:

- Differences in geometry/acceptance
- Different wire angles × angle-dependent reconstruction efficiencies

Strategies:

- MC samples with detector variations
- Apply full chain to study analysis impact
- Parameterize calibration uncertainties



Space Charge Effect



MICROBOONE-NOTE-1018-PUB
A Three-Detector Experiment

Leveraging Correlations to Minimize Systematics

Interaction Modeling & Uncertainties

- Ongoing efforts to include state-of-the art models, multiple generators
- Updated tunes for deuterium bubble chamber reanalyses
- Integrating Ar cross section measurements into oscillation analysis
- GENIE cross section, hadronization, re
- RPA and Valencia MEC uncertainties
- Alternate FSI models (full vs. effective ⁵
- Alternate MEC models (Valencia vs. e)
- Second class currents, radiative correct





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ν_e Cross Section Fractional Uncertaintes

Fractional Error Matrix

LAr1-ND uBooNE

T600



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MicroBooNE





MicroBooNE

Addressing the MiniBooNE Excess

- ▶ Similar baseline to MiniBooNE (470 m)
- ▶ 89 tons active LAr mass
- Taking beam data since October 2015
- Cosmic ray tagger added in 2016

Key Advantages of LAr:

- Detailed imaging of neutrino interactions
- Electron/photon discrimination









 $dE/dx \, e/\gamma$ in ArgoNeut



MicroBooNE Recent Physics Results



CC Inclusive Cross Section

- High efficiency & purity
- Insensitive to hadrons
- Constrains v_e rate
- Exclusive pre-selection





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The MiniBooNE Excess

- Extra electrons?
 - Sterile neutrino oscillations?
 - Something else?
- Extra photons?
 - ► $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma$? π^0 mis-ID? ...?

Q: Data consistent with...

- Models (generator MC)?
- Short-baseline oscillations?
- Extrapolated LEE signal?

Targeting sensitivity to signals extrapolated from MiniBooNE's excess

(See MICROBOONE-NOTE-1043-PUB)



µBooNE



MicroBooNE

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(N.B. using previous MiniBooNE results)

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SBND The Short-Baseline Near Detector





The Short-Baseline Near Detector

Detector:

- ▶ 110 m from the BNB target
 - ▶ No oscillation signal expected
- ▶ 112 tons active LAr mass
- Two TPCs sharing a central cathode

Physics Program:

- High statistics BNB event sample
 - Constrains flux and interactions
 - Differential cross sections, many exclusive final states
- Reconstruction and detector development



Process	arxiv:1503.01520			
	ν_{μ} Events (By Final State Topology)			
CC Inclusive		$5,\!212,\!690$		
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SBND Project Status



- Components arriving at FNAL for assembly
 - Anode (wire) planes and cathode
 - Built at US & UK facilities
- Full TPC electronics & DAQ integration test completed using the LArIAT TPC
- ▶ Full PMT system test at LANL soon
- ▶ Q1 2019: TPC Assembly
- ▶ Q3 2019: Cryogenics installation
- ▶ Q1 2020: Detector commissioning
- ▶ Q3 2020: Physics data taking







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Insert experiment here)

ICARUS The Short-Baseline Far Detector

ICARUS T600

The Short-Baseline Far Detector

- ▶ Far detector for the SBN program
- ▶ 600 m baseline, 476 tons active LAr
- Ran at LNGS 2010 2013
- ▶ Refurbished, upgraded at CERN
- Now being installed at FNAL

ICARUS LArTPC experience

- 1988: ICARUS Liquid Argon Imaging Chamber: A Novel Detector Technology
- ▶ 1994: Study of electron-ion recombination in liquid argon
- ▶ 1995: TPC signal processing using artificial neural networks
- 2004: Design, construction and tests of the ICARUS T600 detector
- 2006: Measurement of through-going particle momentum by means of multiple scattering with the ICARUS T600 TPC
- 2013: Experimental search for the LSND anomaly with the ICARUS detector in the CNGS neutrino beam

and many more! (icarus.lngs.infn.it/publications.php) % f(x) = f(x) - f(x) -

Indiana

Photo: Rich Allen, Ports of Indiana, , icarustrip.fnal.gov

SBN Sensitivity

 $P_{\mu\mu} = 1 - 4(1 - |\boldsymbol{U_{\mu4}}|^2)|\boldsymbol{U_{\mu4}}|^2 \sin^2(1.27\Delta m_{41}^2 L/E)$

Cover the LSND allowed region at 5σ ...

...and search for ν_{μ} disappearance which ν_{e} appearance implies SBN Program Status & Prospects

MicroBooNE

- MiniBooNE low-energy excess, cross sections
- ▶ Running since 2015, leading the way

SBND

- ▶ Near detector, precision cross sections
- Construction phase

ICARUS-T600

- ► Far detector from far away
- Installation phase

The full SBN Program is coming soon, and will definitively address the eV-scale sterile neutrino anomalies, provide unprecedented precision on ν -nucleus interactions, and provide key inputs to the DUNE long-baseline program.

VSBL Oscillation Searches

Physics at Very Short Baselines

- \blacktriangleright Reactor anomaly can be interpreted as a v_e disappearance effect
- ▶ $L/E \sim 1 \text{ m/MeV}$ anomalies
 - \blacktriangleright Reactor antineutrinos at a few MeV \rightarrow oscillations baselines of a few meters

Strategies:

- IBD detectors
- ▶ Very close to a compact source
 - Research reactors, DAR sources
- ▶ Pure sources (e.g. ²³⁵U)
 - Disentangle spectral anomalies
- ▶ Good spatial & energy resolution

Isotope Decay at Rest Physics at Very Short Baselines

Lawrence's 1934 patent drawing for the cyclotron (Wikipedia)

 H_{2}^{+} source feeds a 60 MeV/ amu cyclotron, stripped into proton beam on ⁹Be target.

n captures on 7Li create 8Li

 $^{8}\text{Li}\ \beta$ decay \rightarrow lots of $\overline{\nu}_{e}$

KamLAND

arxiv:1710.09325

Ultra high purity liquid scintillator detector

 $\sigma_E \sim 3\%/\sqrt{E}$ (planned)

IBD $\overline{v}_e(p,n)e^+$ and v_e^-e elastic scattering

Wiggles

Reconstruct events in position and energy

Look for oscillations in L/E

DAEdALUS is a future higher-intensity multi-baseline system, to search for CPV at short baselines

See www.nevis.columbia.edu/daedalus

Conclusions

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- Several anomalies, significant tension in the data
- There is *something* we're missing, sterile neutrinos or neutrino interactions, need to sort it out to move the field forward

- The SBN program will make a definitive test of the LSND-like anomalies
 - Three imaging LArTPCs at three baselines
 - ▶ Intense neutrino beam at Fermilab BNB
- MicroBooNE is running now, producing cross section measurements and studying the MiniBooNE LEE
- ▶ SBND and ICARUS are coming, full program in 2020
- Complementary VSBL experiments are meanwhile probing the sterile landscape

SBN

Program

Standard Model

Three-Neutrino Oscillations

In a two-neutrino approximation, the $survival\ probability$

$$P_{ee} = 1 - P_{ea} = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(1.27 \frac{\Delta m^2 \ [eV^2] \ L \ [km]}{E_{\nu} \ [GeV]}\right)$$

Where $\Delta m^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2$ and θ are constants of nature, and we control L and E_{ν} .

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Holte

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Batavia, IL

Wilson Hall

172Rd

Ramsey Auditorium

Carlo Carlo

Google

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GieseRd

Indian Greek Rd

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VSBL Experiments

Physics at Very Short Baselines

Experiment	$ P_{th} [MW]$	L[m]	depth [mwe]	m[t]	technique	S/B
Nucifer	70	7	12	0.8	Gd-LS	<1
Neos	2700	25	20	1	Gd-LS	22
DANSS	3000	9-12	50	0.9	Gd-PS	~ 20
Neutrino-4	100	6-11	5 - 10	1.5	Gd-LS	<1
Stereo	57	9-11	10	1.7	Gd-LS	>1
Solid	100	6-11	10	1.6	⁶ Li-PS	$\sim\!3$
Prospect	85	7 - 12	~ 5	3	⁶ Li-LS	>1

C. Buck, NuPhys2016, arxiv:1704.08885

MicroBooNE Event Reconstruction in LArTPCs

Pandora Path

- Pattern recognition using particle flow
- Pandora development toolkit
 - ▶ Eur. Phys. J C 75, 439 (2015)

Deep Learning Path

- Novel image classification approaches
- Focused on $1\ell 1p$ final states
- arxiv:1808.07269, JINST 12, P03011 (2017)

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PROSPECT

A VSBL Example

- ▶ Detector close to a 99% ²³⁵U research reactor (HFIR at ORNL)
- Baselines of 7-12 m and 16-20 m
- Segmented ⁶Li doped liquid scintillator
- Addresses reactor flux anomaly and sterile neutrino oscillations





Sub-segment conceptual design



HFIR: 80MW U-235 Core