T2K & E61

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Neutrino Production

- Proton beam fired at graphite target to produce pions
- Pions charge-selected and focused using magnetic horns then allowed to decay to $\sqrt[r]{\nu_{\mu}} + \mu^{+(-)}$
- Strong angular dependence of neutrino energy
- Select angle from central axis to maximise oscillation probability



K. Abe et al. [T2K Collaboration], Phys. Rev. D87, 012001 (2013)



ND280

- Near detector 280m from pion production target
- Placed 2.5° from the centre of the neutrino beam
- Polystyrene scintillator Fine Grained Detector (FGD) is target mass
- Additional layers of water are present as target
- TPCs used for high precision particle tracking
- Contained in a 0.2T magnetic field to aid interaction reconstruction



The T2K experiment (2011). K. Abe et al. (T2K collaboration). arXiv:1106.1238v2 [physics.ins-det]



Super-K

- 50 kton water Cherenkov detector
- Instrumented with 11,129 PMTs
- In charged-current neutrino interactions muon or electron produced
- High-energy leptons radiate Cherenkov light
- Structure of Cherenkov ring gives particle ID muon (left) electron (right)





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Results



Asher Kaboth [T2K Collaboration] https://indico.ph.qmul.ac.uk/indico/contributionDisplay.py?contribId=22&confId=289

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Hyper-Kamiokande

- Add a new, larger water Cherenkov detector
 - Super-K 50 kton (22.5 kton fiducial)
 - Hyper-K 230 kton (187 kton fiducial)
- Increase proton beam power from 750 kW to 1.3MW
- Overall about a 15 times increase in event rate



E61 - Motivation

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- Goal for Hyper-K is a 3% statistical error
- Need to reduce systematic errors to below 3%

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• Use a 3 kton water Cherenkov near detector for Hyper-K

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- Scan detector over off-axis angle to record several different energy distributions
- Combining readings together, new energy spectra can be synthesised



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'Letter of intent to construct a nuPRISM detector in the J-Parc Neutrino beamline' (2014), S. Bhadra et al. arXiv:1412.3086v2

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- For given oscillation parameters, an oscillated flux can be synthesised
- A fit can be performed between the predicted flux and that observed at Hyper-K to extract oscillation parameters
- Flux matching: Same neutrino flux onto the same material in both near and far detectors



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Conclusion

- Neutrino Physics is heading into the precision era
- E61 has great potential to reduce systematic errors
- Moveable detector allows for synthesis of energy spectra

Backups

Phenomenology

$$P_{\alpha \to \beta} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{i>j} \operatorname{Re}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E}\right)$$
Probability of neutrino initially of flavour α oscillating to flavour β

$$+ 2 \sum_{i>j} \operatorname{Im}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{2E}\right),$$

• Frequency of oscillation dependent on Δm^2 , L/E

Probability of neutrino initially

- Magnitude of oscillation dependent on PMNS • matrix
- In experiments L is fixed, measure P_{osc} as ٠ a function of E
- Only relative square mass differences can be inferred from oscillation experiments
- The complex phase, δ_{CP} of the PMNS matrix is of particular interest

$$\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

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