

### Neutrino Physics in 2020

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### Outline/Purpose

- A review of the v future.
- Won't tell you anything you don't know
- I'll give some opinions on how neutrino physics will develop.
- Ideally provoke some discussions during coffee breaks



### Pontecorvo, Shapiro, Cheget





### v particles - 21<sup>st</sup> century

<b>FERMIONS</b> matter constituents spin = 1/2, 3/2, 5/2,							
Leptons spin =1/2				Quarks spin =1/2			
Flavor	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge		Flavor	Approx. Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge	
VL lightest neutrino*	(0-0.13)×10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	u	) up	0.002	2/3	
e electron	0.000511	-1	d	down	0.005	-1/3	
M middle neutrino*	(0.009-0.13)×10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	C	charm	1.3	2/3	
(µ) muon	0.106	-1	S	strange	0.1	-1/3	
VH heaviest neutrino*	(0.04-0.14)×10 <sup>-9</sup>	0	đ	top	173	2/3	
T tau	1.777	-1	b	bottom	4.2	-1/3	



### Neutrino Physics



#### A notation issue

- $\Re \theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}$  are labels,  $* \Delta m_{ik}^2$  are ordered (sign) Only 2 are independent \* We know the sign of  $\Delta m_{21}^2$   $\Delta m_{31}^2 \equiv m_3^2 - m_1^2$ but not  $\Delta m_{32}^2 \sim \Delta m_{31}^2$
- $\Delta m_{12}^2 \equiv m_1^2 m_2^2$  $\Delta m_{21}^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2$  $\Delta m_{13}^2 \equiv m_1^2 - m_3^2$  $\Delta m_{23}^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_3^2$  $\Delta m_{32}^2 \equiv m_3^2 - m_2^2$

 $M \Delta m_{21}^2 + \Delta m_{32}^2 + \Delta m_{13}^2 = 0$ 





### 3v paradigm

♦ All of these numbers are in the 3 neutrino paradigm

- In other words, they were calculated using formulae assuming that there are 3 and only 3 neutrinos, and that they interact normally
- If this isn't true, the numbers may be wrong or meaningless, or just approximations

One way to test the paradigm, is to measure the numbers different ways

## The World Neutrino Experimental Program

- ♥ Parameter Measurement
  - θ<sub>23</sub> Octant (>, < 45°)
    </p>
  - Mass hierarchy
  - Mass scale
  - $\succ$  CP violation  $\delta$
  - Dirac or Majorana?
  - $\succ \text{More accuracy for } \theta_{12}, \\ \theta_{23}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{32}^2, \Delta m_{21}^2$

- ♥ Paradigm testing
  - Sterile neutrinos?
  - Non standard Interactions?
  - Lorentz violation?
  - CPT violation?
  - Non-Unitarity of MNS matrix?
  - > velocity

### **Questions with answers**

Questions which might or might not have answers

## How do we find the neutrino mass hierarchy



There are many ways

- 1. accurate measurements of  $\Delta m^2_{32}$  and  $\Delta m^2_{31}$
- 2. reactor neutrinos

JUNO/RENO50
 a large detector
 ~50 km from
 reactors with good
 energy resolution



### Hierarchy from cosmology

- 3. Cosmological fits
  - $rac{1}{2}$   $\Sigma m_v \geq 55 \text{ meV} \underline{\text{normal}}$
  - $\Sigma m_v \ge 105 \text{ meV}$  inverted
  - \*  $\delta(\Sigma m_v)$  ~ 50 meV South Pole Telescope 2019

 $\Sigma m_v < 300 \text{ meV}$ 

Planck, March 2013

Projected Reach: 2013-2016:  $\Sigma m_v \sim 0.1 \text{ eV}$ 2016-2020:  $\Sigma m_v \sim 0.06 \text{ eV}$ 2020-2025:  $\Sigma m_v \sim 16 \text{ meV}$ 



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More ways to learn the v mass hierarchy

4. Supernova neutrinos.

∜spectrum swap:



5. Atmospheric neutrino measurements6. Long-baseline neutrino measurements



### Atmospheric Neutrinos

Handles on the mass hierarchy from atmospheric neutrinos:

- 1. Due to enhanced matter effects in  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e} \text{ OR } v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$ , the angular distribution of  $v_{e}$ s will differ for normal and inverted hierarchy.
- 2. Due to enhanced matter effects in  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e} \text{ OR } \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ , the angular distribution of the  $\mu^{+}/\mu^{-}$  ratio (from  $\nu$ ) will differ for normal and inverted hierarchy.





How do we find the neutrino mass hierarchy in long-baseline experiments?



At an accelerator  $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e})$  (in Vacuum)

 $P(v_u \rightarrow v_e) = P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4$  $P_1 = \sin^2(\theta_{23}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m_{31}^2 L/E)$  $P_2 = \cos^2(\theta_{23}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m_{21}^2 L/E)$  $P_3 = -/+ J \sin(\delta) \sin(1.27 \Delta m_{31}^2 L/E)$  $\Re P_{A} = J \cos(\delta) \cos(1.27 \Delta m_{31}^{2} L/E)$ where  $J = cos(\theta_{13}) sin(2\theta_{12}) sin(2\theta_{13}) sin(2\theta_{23}) x$  $\sin(1.27 \Delta m_{31}^2 L/E) \sin(1.27 \Delta m_{21}^2 L/E)$ 

### Matter effects

Socillations in matter  $P=P(\theta,\theta,\theta,\Delta m^2,\Delta m^2,\delta,n_e,hierarchy)$ 

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# $v, \overline{v}$ oscillation probabilities



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Can we measure the CP parameter δ without running antineutrinos?

Yes, we can compare  $P_1(\theta,\theta,\theta,\Delta m^2,\Delta m^2,\delta,n_e,hierarchy,L_1) \& P_2(\theta,\theta,\theta,\Delta m^2,\Delta m^2,\delta,n_e,hierarchy,L_2)$ 

This measures  $\delta$  assuming the 3 v paradigm as does any measurement.

Of course comparing oscillations for both neutrinos and antineutrinos is one of the most obvious and important paradigm tests we can do. August 2013

# How do we determine if the neutrino is Dirac or Majorana?



### **DIRAC/MAJORANA?**

- ✓ Something about a Lagrangian
- ✓ There can be Dirac terms, there can be Majorana terms
- ✓ As I understand it, if there are both Dirac and Majorana terms, the neutrino is Majorana (rewriting things)

- ✓ If the neutrino is Majorana:
  - ✓ Neutrinoless double beta decay happens at predictable rates
    - depends on masses, mixing angles, matrix elements
- $\checkmark$  If the neutrino is Dirac:
  - ✓ Neutrinoless double beta decay does not happen

## $0\nu\beta\beta$ rates

Decay rate is given by the golden rule and depends on an effective Majorana mass. It requires knowledge of nuclear physics quantities.

$$\left( T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \right)^{-1} = G^{0\nu} \cdot \left| M^{0\nu} \right|^2 \cdot \left\langle m_{\beta\beta} \right\rangle^2$$
Phase space
Matrix element

CP-phases can lead to cancellation. But how much? Replace masses by two possible choices of minimal mass  $m_1$  or  $m_3$  and add knowledge of mixing and mass splitting from oscillations.



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### Allowed $m_{ee} = m_{\beta\beta}$ values



### Discovery matrix for $0\nu\beta\beta$

	Dirac	Majorana
Normal Hierarchy	× NO	✗ Not anytime soon
Inverted Hierarchy	× NO	√ Feasible

Leading factors for  $0\nu\beta\beta$  and Direct mass

For the Normal mass hierarchy  $(m_3 > m_2)$ and non-degenerate or hierarchical structrure  $(m_2 > m_1)$ 

♥ 0νββ
 ♥ U<sub>e3</sub><sup>2</sup> m<sub>3</sub> ± U<sub>e2</sub><sup>2</sup> m<sub>2</sub> ± U<sub>e1</sub><sup>2</sup> m<sub>1</sub>
 ♥ ±1.19 meV + 2.47 meV + 0
 ♥ Dominated by m<sub>2</sub>

✤ Tritium Beta Decay

 ${}^{\textcircled{a}} \ \ U_{e3}{}^2 \ m_3{}^2 \pm U_{e2}{}^2 \ m_2{}^2 \pm U_{e1}{}^2 \ m_1{}^2$ 

 $\Rightarrow 50 \text{ meV}^2 \pm 21 \text{ meV}^2 + 0$ 

🖏 Dominated by m<sub>3</sub>

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Beyond the 3v paradigm "anomolies"

- -Sterile Neutrinos
- -Lorentz Violation
- -Non-Standard Interactions
- -Neutrino velocity
- -Non-unitary MNS matrix
- -CPT violation
- "...there are an infinite number of tests of the null hypothesis" MCG

- $\succ$  Sterile v hints
  - ✤ LSND
  - MiniBooNE
  - Reactor v anomaly
  - Chromium anomaly

"Almost any problem in a neutrino experiment can be interpreted as a sterile neutrino." MCG

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# The current world neutrino program



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 $v_e$  appearance 10 events so far 28!





#### NOvA

### The NOvA detectors

- 14 kton Far Detector
  - >70% active detector.
  - 360,000 detector cells read by APDs.
- 0.3 kton Near Detector
  - 18,000 cells (channels).
- Each plane just 0.15  $X_0$ . Great for e<sup>-</sup> vs  $\pi^0$ .

Friday talk by Kravtsov

32*-*pixel APD



### Both ends of a fiber to one pixel





Far detector 14 kton 928 planes

Near detector 0.3 kton

Prototype detecor

0.2 kton

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### Other stuff

Minerva
 NuSTORM
 Neutrino Telescopes
 Miero Recht

MicroBooNE

India-Based Neutrino Observatory INO Other Long- and Short-Baseline ideas

Lots of ideas for Snowmass white papers

- More NOvA
- CHIPS
- Lake Superior
- GLADE
- RADAR
- Daedalus





### LBNE Long-Baseline Neutrino Experiment



Talk today by Urheim

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## Hyper-Kamiokande



## "SNOWMASS on the Mississippi" 2013 for planning the future US program



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## **Snowmass Summary Talks**

#### **Neutrino Oscillations Intensity Frontier** The U.S. with the Long-Baseline Neutrino Experiment (LBNE) Shoutout to I BNF and a future multi-megawatt beam from Project-X is uniquely in summary of positioned to lead an international campaign to test the **Cosmic Frontier** 3-flavor paradigm, measure CP violation and go beyond. Talk by Steve Ritz (now chair of P5) An underground location for a far detector significantly enhances the physics breadth & allows for the study of **Cosmic Frontier** atmospheric v's, nucleon decay, & precision measurement of v' s from a galactic supernova explosion This is now considered phase I

On Electroweak Symmetry Breaking

The LHC has revealed that the minimum SM prescription for electroweak

the one Higgs double model — is at least approximately

Energy Frontier at

at have to do with neutrinos?

Beautiful<sup>m</sup>NOvA<sup>o</sup> and<sup>ff</sup>L<sup>e</sup>BNE<sup>lit</sup>programs <sup>1</sup> Neutrinos talk to the Higgs locon view weakly (Dirac retrinos): might very well influence the Higgs 2. Neutrinos talk to a different Higgs boson – there is a new source of electroweak symmetry brackOgram eutrinos);



- While there are several paths to the mass hierarchy, only the long-baseline accelerator experiments, and to a lesser extent the atmospheric neutrino experiments, are sensitive to the CP δ parameter
- One or more of these experiment will be starting around 2020.



Theory comment I Challenge for our theorists here

- $\blacksquare$  We will soon measure the hierarchy.
- I Quarks and charged leptons have what we would call a normal hierarchy.
- $\blacksquare$  If we measure the inverted hierarchy, would that be:
  - C3 New?
  - C∃ Surprising?
  - Tell us something qualitative about the nature of neutrinos?

∏ or;

Would it just rule out half of a semi-infinite number of models?

## **Statistics Rant**

 $\gtrsim$  A standard criterion for a discovery (but a wrong one in my opinion) is 5  $\sigma$ .

Physicists can set up an experiment and do an a-priori test of a hypothesis. When we see an unexpected result, we can calculate an a-posteriori probability for that result.

- ✤ The probability calculations we do in these two cases are <u>identical</u>
- ✤ The meaning is <u>totally different</u>

For measurements, the PDG quotes  $\pm 1\sigma$ . The mass hierarchy determination, in my opinion, is a measurement, not a discovery. When we know it with 99% CL, I won't think another long expensive experiment is important.

When we measure  $\theta_{13}$ , m<sub>H</sub>, B(B<sup>+</sup> $\rightarrow$ anything), ... we often want to measure them better. When we measure the mass hierarchy, there is nothing to measure better.

## Theory comment II

- C3 We rely on theoretical motivation for experiments more than we are willing to admit.
- C3 We may not have a theoretical prediction for something that we are trying to measure, but we always have a theoretical context.
- Bethe told us mixing angles were small. He was wrong, but
- Pontecorvo gave us

 $P = sin^2(2\theta) sin^2(1.27 \Delta m^2 L/E)$ 

and it has served us well for over 50 years.

As our field to moves to fewer more expensive and longer experiments, I would like the theoretical community to play a more active role in helping us make the tough choices. "Do everything" will not be the answer.

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## My guess by 2020



#### Questions with answers





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## In 2020, Maybe

- We'll know these parameters with no paradigm shifts, but theoretically we'll be where we are now; then
  - I see no strong argument for a new or continued \$B scale program.
- Or there will be strong theoretical progress an we'll want to know parameters even better, then
  - ➡ We'll press on with better larger long-baseline experiments.
- Or something outside the 3v paradigm shows up, then
  We'll need new experiments, but don't know what those might be.

## Intelligent Design of Neutrino Parameters?

(from S. Wojcicki)

• The optimum choice for  $\Delta m_{21}^2$ ?

Such as to give resonant transition (MSW effect) in the middle of solar energy spectrum -,  $\Delta m_{21}^2 = 8.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ 

• The optimum choice for  $\sin\theta_{12}$ ?

Big enough for oscillations to be seen in KamLAND - ~0.8

- The optimum choice for  $\Delta m_{32}^2$ ?
- Such as to give full oscillation in the middle of the range of possible distances that atmospheric v's travel to get to the detector  $\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
- The optimum choice for  $\sin \theta_{23}$ ?

Big enough so that oscillations could be seen easily -  $\theta_{23} \sim \pi/4$ 

• The optimum choice for  $\sin\theta_{13}$ ?

Small enough so as not to confuse interpretation of the above -  $\theta_{13} < 10^{\circ}$ 

• But the acid test - will  $\theta_{13}$  be big enough to see CP violation and determine mass hierarchy?

## In 2020

**?** Suppose parameters are such that the "Intelligent Design" arguments can get longer?

∜δ ~ π/2

- to most quickly determines the hierarchy
- to get large CP violation & answer the CP violation question
   The inverted hierarchy, so we can tell Dirac/Majorana
   & maybe beta decay endpoint
- Some of our theorists will be happy (seesaw, etc.)



## Conclusion

- Neutrino Physics is currently in an excellent position:
  - Much recent progress
  - Questions that have answers
  - Many will be answered in the next decade
  - We'll have a program of long-baseline accelerator experiments and 0vββ decay that can answer the remaining v questions of 2020.

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