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#### Neutrino Physics: SNO+ and DUNE



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# **Neutrino Physics**



### Neutrino Oscillation

 $\nu_{\alpha} = \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau} \qquad k$ 

**Scillations**  
• flavor 
$$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{k} U_{\alpha k} |\nu_{k}\rangle$$
 • mass states  $\nu_{\alpha} = \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau}$  k  $\nu_{k} = \nu_{1}, \nu_{2}, \nu_{3}$   $(\nu_{e} = \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau})$   $(\nu_{e} = \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau})$   $(\nu_{e} = \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau})$ 

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_{23} & \sin \theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin \theta_{23} & \cos \theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{13} & 0 & e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \sin \theta_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \sin \theta_{13} & 0 & \cos \theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{12} & \sin \theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_{12} & \cos \theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\frac{\theta_{23} \approx 49^{\circ}}{\theta_{13} \approx 8.6^{\circ}} \qquad \qquad \theta_{13} \approx 8.6^{\circ} \qquad \qquad \theta_{12} \approx 33.4^{\circ}$$

Solar, atmospheric, reactor and accelerator experiments provide consistent support for this framework.

# What we know, and don't, about neutrinos



Very, very small masses. Why so small? Due to Higgs or See-saw? Coupled to e,  $\mu$ ,  $\tau$  via charged weak interactions. Flavor mixing (oscillations) due to non-zero mass. Are oscillations the same for neutrinos and antineutrinos?

The only neutral elementary fermion. Can it be its own antiparticle?

top

t

W

L.R

е

electron

L.R

charm

C

L,R

μ

U

down

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g

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L,R

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strange

S

b

bottom

-neutrino

Neutrino abundance in the Universe similar to photons (10<sup>9</sup> x baryons) What role did they play in Big Bang? Matter/antimatter asymetry?



# **The next big questions ?**



Are neutrinos Majorana? What is the effective  $m_{\beta\beta}$ ? Many upcoming Neutrino-less Double Beta Decay Experiments (SNO+,...)



mirror



Is there CP violation in leptons? Is it enough to explain the dominance of matter? precision oscillations v vs anti-v @DUNE

#### SNO+

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Site of the original Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO)

Deepest clean lab in the world. Ideal conditions for neutrino physics (and DM search)





2 km deep!



# **Physics Program**

Supernova Neutrinos

**Solar Neutrinos** 



#### Neutrinoless $\beta$ Double Beta Decay

**Geo-neutrinos** 



Invisible Nucleon Decay



**Reactor Anti-Neutrinos** 



# **Calibrations** @LIP



# **Physics highlights**

First observation of reactor (anti-)neutrinos with a pure water detector. Upcoming!



1000

1500

5 MeV

Low threshold solar neutrino meas., update to PRD 99, 012012 (2019)

2000

2500

3500 nHit

3000

10 MeV

# **Double Beta Decay in SNO+**



• Half-life sensitivity 2x10<sup>26</sup> yr (3y)

- About 10x better than CUORE current limit with same isotope
- Highly competitive field
  - KamLAND-Zen at that level, but mass limit highly dependent on NME
  - Upcoming Legend-200: 10<sup>27</sup> yr sensitivity. Schedule...



- Loading Tellurium in liquid scintillator
  - Low intrinsic backgrounds (solar v dominate)
  - Large amounts of <sup>130</sup>Te (1.3 tons)
  - Novel technique developed by SNO+. Main challenges: stability, optics
    - Further R&D needed for 1.5% loading
  - Underground Purification plants under commissioning. 0.5% loading 2024





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#### DEEP UNDERGROUND NEUTRINO EXPERIMENT



### **Neutrino oscillation prospects**



- ν<sub>e</sub> appearance in a wide-band intense ν<sub>µ</sub> beam (and anti-ν)
- CP violation and hierarchy effects stronger in different energy regions. DUNE can measure both.



• Plus a rich program of Supernova Neutrino physics, nucleon decay search, BSM beam physics 17

# Liquid Argon TPC





Far Detector #1 Horizontal Drift Readout in wire planes

3.6 m

Far Detector #2 Vertical Drift Readout in PCB planes





- LAr TPC advantages
  - 3D tracking with few mm resolution
  - Excellent calorimetry
  - Particle ID via dE/dx, range, topology
- Event reconstruction
  - Convolutional Neural Networks
  - Ideal ground for Machine Learning

### **ProtoDUNE(s) at CERN**

Operated 2018-2020 New run 2022-2023 to test final design choices

> ProtoDUNE Dual-Phase

Neutrino Platform at CERN

ProtoDUNE Single-Phase

### Laser calibration





# **ProtoDUNE** systems

- Designed/built by LIP+LANL
- Many parts of periscopes 1 and 2 built and tested at LIP. Fantastic work by MW/DL !
- Full assembly and cryo tests at LANL
- Installation at CERN in August!



Tests of motor control and precision (better than 1 mm @ 5m) Periscope 2 feedthrough built at LIP, assembled at LANL



Jorge Moreira

#### **Tests at LANL**







Visible here: half of 3.6 m periscope





#### Laser Beam Location System

- 4 target pads for alignment
- UV mirrors: beam OK when we see reflections





First 2 pads installed

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at ProtoDUNE



# **Laser Control Electronics**

- Single-point interface and coordination for
  - Operation/sync of all calibration components - laser, motors, optics
  - Central DAQ and Slow Control. Timestamp, beam direction for data reduction



Off-the-shelf motherboard (Trenz TEBF0808) + SoC (Xilinx UltraScale+)

Custom in-house designed interface board



- Full LIP responsibility
  - Hardware design
  - FPGA programming
  - Implementation of software applications

# Laser ionization model

- Current laser beam model based on muons with MS off, OK for simple track position
- But we aim to do charge-based measurements (electron lifetime). Need charge evolution along track !



- Developing a more detailed model, collaborating with Univ. de Alfenas, Brazil
- Numerical solution of equations describing excitation, ionization
- Then interface with LArSoft
- Basis for data analysis



# Next steps

- SNO+
  - Stable detector until Te fill. Plenty of opportunity for solar, reactor neutrinos analyses
- DUNE
  - Very busy with laser system construction. Next months crucial to test the system
  - Then data analysis!