Neutrinos at the Intensity and Energy Frontiers

ProtoDUNE cryostat at the CERN neutrino platform



SND@LHC installed in the LHC TI18 tunnel





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Flavour, mass and CP

- Neutrino oscillations $\rightarrow m_v \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{rich } v \text{ phenomenology}$
- Standard Model puzzles need neutrino experiments!
 - The origin of **matter**: last chance for large CP' in the SM [1]*
 - The nature of **mass**: why are m_v so small? $m_1 > m_3$? $v = \overline{v}$ [10]?
 - The **flavour** structure of the SM:
 - Lepton **mixing** very **different** from the quark sector
 - Lepton Flavour Universality never tested with vs
 - Hints of LFU: B decays, μ g-2





PMNS

NOK

2015

NuFit 5.1 (2021)





* Numbers in brackets refer to my publications, listed in the last slide.



Neutrino oscillation state-of-the-art

- T2K world-leading results enabled by substantial improvements in FD analysis methods:
 - Updated **reconstruction** and expansion of the fiducial volume [1, 2, 3]
 - New sample, with 2 resolved final-state particles (Neutrino 2022)
- I have **convened** the T2K FD working group for the last 3 years





- DUNE will conclusively determine the mass ordering and measure CP
- With great **statistics** come great **systematic uncertainty** challenges!



I demonstrated the potential for bias with an on-axis near detector for the DUNE design reports [4, 5]:

Use machine learning to generate mock data with "adversarial" interaction model.

Mis-modeling is invisible in on-axis near detector.

Produces biased oscillation measurements when far detector mock data is fitted with nominal model.

Precision Reaction-Independent Spectrum Measurement



I was part of the small team (two postdocs and three faculty) that proposed DUNE-PRISM in 2017.



- I developed a data-driven method to correct for acceptance differences using the event geometry [4].
 - Implementation of the method is ongoing in collaboration with one postdoc and students at Stony Brook University, where I am a Visiting Scholar.
- Need a model-independent method to account for differences in the detector responses.
 - If an ND event had occurred instead in the FD, what would be its reconstructed energy at the FD?

Learning the differences between ND and FD



I am Supervising two CERN Junior Fellows on DUNE machine learning project. Taking advantage of generative models expertise [6].

uncertainty requirement in DUNE

Observing neutrinos at the LHC



Scattering and Neutrino Detector at the LHC

- The possibility of observing neutrinos from LHC pp collisions was pointed out in the early 90's
 - Large flux in forward region
 - Very high neutrino energy
 - $\bullet \quad \sigma_{v} \propto \mathsf{E}_{v}$

- Wide physics reach:
 - **vLFO** tests with $v_{\rm e}/v_{\tau}$ and $v_{\rm e}/v_{\rm u}$ ratios
 - Forward charm production measurement

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100 m

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- Gluon PDF at very low x
- Beyond the Standard Model searches
 - Long-lived / feebly-interacting new particles



- Detector technology:
 - Emulsion and tungsten target (800 kg)
 - Scintillating Fibre EM calorimeter / tracker
 - Scintillator and iron hadron calorimeter / muon system





- Raw data transfer out of the DAQ server and backup.
- I wrote the first draft of the **shifter manual**.

Neutrino identification in SND@LHC

- Neutrino identification strategy:
 - Identify candidates in the electronic detector data
 - Identify candidates in the **emulsion** data
 - Match candidates to each other to get complete event
- I have developed the **analysis tools** for the **electronic detectors**.

Pattern recognition with Muon System

	Fraction of correctly identified events
ν _μ CC (1μ)	78.5%
ν _e CC (0μ)	87.3%
NC (0µ)	93.1%

- I demonstrated a high purity v_{μ} CC sample is achievable using only the electronic detectors.
 - Developed muon pattern recognition algorithm based on the Hough transform.

Flavour identification with emulsions



Charged-current v_{e} identification with ECal



Taking advantage of event reconstruction expertise [6, 7, 8].

Electronic-detector-only neutrino observation possible!

SND@LHC Neutrino Measurements

Complex interplay of flux and cross sections



Unique ability to constrain charm production with high energy v_e due to off-axis location 7.2< η <8.4

Significant correlations between parameters of interest

- Lepton Flavour Universality tests with v_e/v_{τ} and v_e/v_{μ} .
 - Interaction
- Forward charm production → gluon PDF at very low x.
 Flux

Solution:

- Fit all samples **simultaneously** for all parameters of interest.
 - Same approach taken by T2K [1, 2, 3] and DUNE [4, 5].

Current status:

- I have integrated the GENIE **neutrino interaction event generator** in the software framework.
- I am leading an effort to develop **neutrino event selection** criteria using the electronic detector data.

My research project at

DUNE and SND@LHC at LIP



- LIP effort focused on **calibration**
 - Consortium leadership
 - Development and construction of laser calibration source

NEUTRINO EXPERIMEN

To be tested in ProtoDUNE-II

• LIP is a founding member

- **Construction** of the mechanical structure of the hadron calorimeter
 - Detector alignment / data readiness
- In both cases, my research plans **leverage and expand** the existing efforts at LIP.
 - \circ **DUNE** data-driven analysis \leftrightarrow LIP calibration expertise.
 - SND@LHC electronic detector data analysis \leftrightarrow LIP detector expertise.
- I bring to LIP world-class **expertise** in **accelerator-based neutrino** experiment **data analysis**.
 - There are no active experts on this subject in the country.

Opportunity to strengthen ties between neutrino and collider groups.

Six-year outlook

SND@LHC

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- First robust observation of neutrinos from pp collisions!
 - Muon system partly built at **LIP** is a critical component of this analysis.
- First SND@LHC **physics results** with simultaneous fit of all neutrino data.
- Explore **BSM** searches with **SND@LHC**.
 - I am the LPCC Long-lived Particles **convener** for SND@LHC
 - I am the SND upgrade (AdvSND) **BSM contact** in the Forward Physics Facility
 - Final Run III physics results and detector upgrade for HL-LHC: AdvSND

DUNE

- Develop machine learning tools for near-to-far detector event translation
- Validate **DUNE** near-to-far event translation using **ProtoDUNE II** real data.
 - Establish systematic uncertainty for DUNE **data-driven sensitivity**.
 - Direct impact of **LIP**-led DUNE **calibration** strategy on **physics** results.
- Data-driven oscillation analysis in place for **start of operations** (around 2030).
 - \circ ~ Opportunity for leading analysis role at LIP.



ProtoDUNE II

LHC Run III

Thank you for your attention!

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