

Neutrino 2020 – Conference Report

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- **Neutrino 2020**: The XXIX International Conference on Neutrino Physics and Astrophysics,
- Fermilab conference entirely online, Zoom webinar
- On Monday through Thursday from June 22 - July 2, 2020
- All sessions plenary
- Communication on Slack
- Virtual poster sessions
- 3469 unique visitors attended the talks

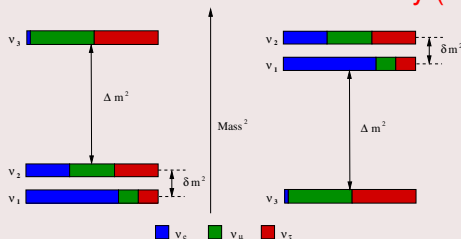
Also: results from recent (end of July 2020) combined analysis of oscillation data (with included results from Neutrino 2020)

List of sessions

- Direct Neutrino Mass Measurements
- Neutrino Interactions
- Solar Neutrinos
- Theory of neutrino mass, mixing, leptogenesis, and BSM
- Neutrino Cosmology
- **Reactor and Geo Neutrinos**
- **Long baseline experiments and beams**
- **Probing the universe: neutrino astronomy**
- Neutrinoless double beta decay and underground facilities
- Accelerator sterile neutrino searches

(Not complete) list of challenging problems

- Determination of the neutrino mass scale
KATRIN: $m_\nu < 1.1 \text{ eV}$ (90% C.L.)
- Determination of mass hierarchy (ordering)



(NOvA+T2K, JUNO, PINGU, ORCA, DUNE)

- Quest to find CP violation in the leptonic sector
(T2K, NOvA, DUNE, T2HK)

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- **Are there sterile neutrinos ?**
(Reactor experiments, accelerator experiments, KATRIN, IceCube, cosmology ...)
- Dirac or Majorana ?
Neutrinoless double beta decay experiments.

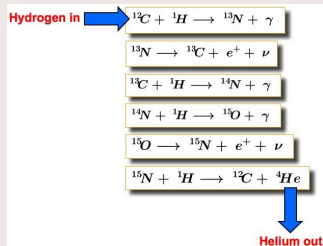
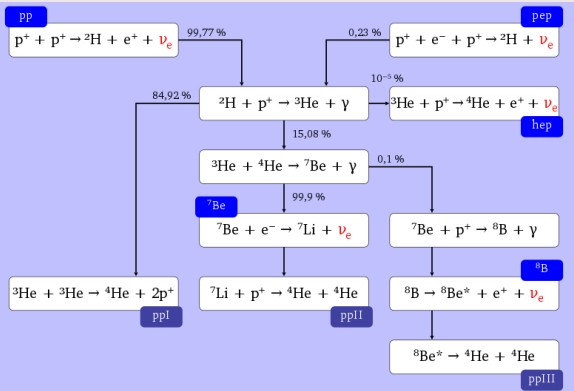
New important results

- Neutrino Interactions
Great progress in understanding how neutrinos interact with matter (T2K, Minerva, NOvA, MicroBooNE . . .)
- Solar Neutrinos
Borexino: First observation of neutrinos from CNO cycle
- Theory of neutrino mass, mixing, leptogenesis, and BSM
- Neutrino Cosmology
- Probing the universe: neutrino astronomy

Solar neutrinos

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Borexino observes solar neutrinos from CNO cycle



CNO cycle, remaining 1% of the energy ?

pp chain, > 99% of the energy in the Sun

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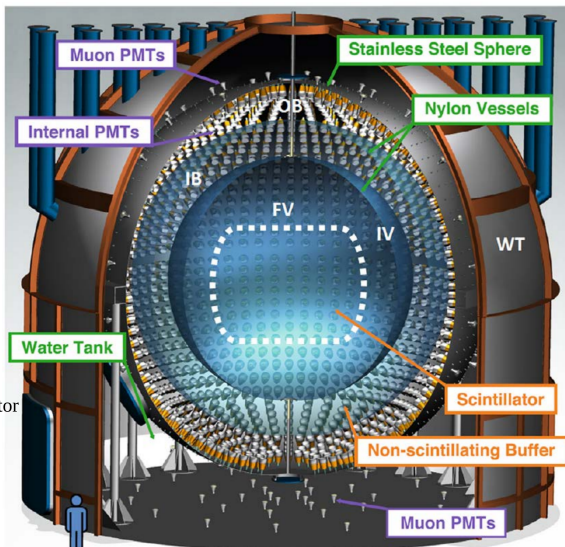
The Borexino detector @ Gran Sasso

Active volume 280 tons of liquid scintillator

Detection principle

$$\nu_x + e \rightarrow \nu_x + e$$

Elastic scattering off the electrons of the scintillator threshold at ~ 60 keV (electron energy)



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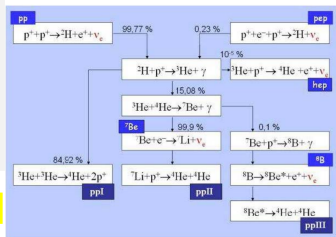
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Standard Solar Model : “engine” of the Sun, solar neutrinos production and spectrum predictions

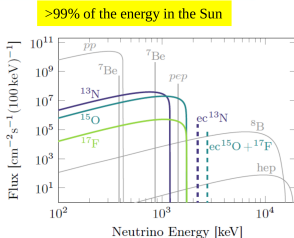
Developed by **John Bahcall** for more than 40 years



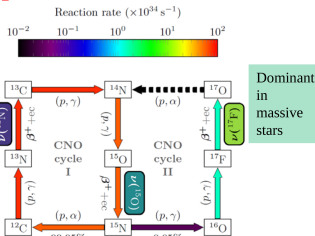
pp chain

Latest SSM spectral prediction
A. Serenelli
EPJA, volume 5, id 78 (2016)
N. Vinyoles et al.
The Astrophysical Journal, 835:202 (16pp), 2017

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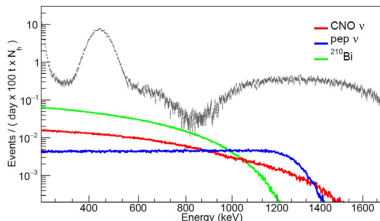
the remaining <1% in the Sun ?

Controversy about the surface metallicity composition of the Sun: predictions differ up to 28% for the CNO ν flux using lower (LZ) or higher Z (HZ) models

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The Borexino quest for CNO neutrinos after the complete pp chain measurement

CNO ν – pep ν – ^{210}Bi correlations



- Borexino data
- CNO ν expected spectrum
- ^{210}Bi spectrum
- pep ν spectrum

The **spectral fit** returns only the sum of CNO and ^{210}Bi , if both are left free

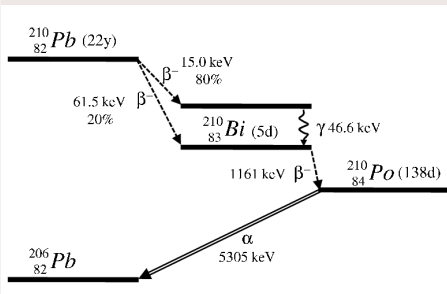
Note also the low rates:

- $R(\text{CNO } \nu)_{\text{expected}} \sim 3\text{-}5 \text{ cpd}/100\text{ton}$
- $R(^{210}\text{Bi}) \sim 10 \text{ cpd}/100\text{ton}$
- $R(\text{pep}) \sim 2.5 \text{ cpd}/100\text{ton}$

Thanks to Borexino unprecedented purity
@ 95% C.L. $^{232}\text{Th} < 5.7 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ g/g}$ $^{238}\text{U} < 9.4 \cdot 10^{-20} \text{ g/g}$
other backgrounds less relevant apart the cosmogenic ^{11}C

The pep flux can be constrained at the 1.4 % level through the solar luminosity constraint coupled to SSM predictions on the pp to pep rate ratio and the most recent oscillation parameters - J. Bergström et al., JHEP, 2016:132, 2016

Borexino observes solar neutrinos from CNO cycle



Two sources of ^{210}Po :

- $^{210}\text{Po}^S$ from ^{210}Pb in the liquid scintillator
- $^{210}\text{Po}^V$ from ^{210}Pb on the inner surfaces of the vessel

$^{210}\text{Po}^V$ may detach and move into the scintillator (diffusion or convective currents)

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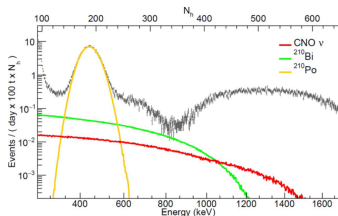
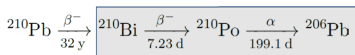
^{210}Bi independent determination from ^{210}Po

Degeneracy in the fit removable with a constraint on ^{210}Bi

Independent estimation of ^{210}Bi rate

^{210}Bi - ^{210}Po analysis:

Extract the ^{210}Bi decay rate in Borexino through the study of the ^{210}Po decay rate



^{210}Po is “easier” to identify wrt ^{210}Bi :

- Monoenergetic decay $\rightarrow$ “gaussian” peak
- α decay $\rightarrow$ pulse shape discrimination

If the ^{210}Bi is in equilibrium with ^{210}Po , an independent measurement of the latter decay rate gives directly the ^{210}Bi one (secular equilibrium scenario)

$\rightarrow$ The quest for CNO is turned into the quest of ^{210}Bi through ^{210}Po !

Posters: “Strategy of detection of solar CNO neutrinos with Borexino Phase-III data” Xuefeng Ding #438 session 2
“Borexino Sensitivity Studies towards Detection of Solar Neutrinos from the CNO Fusion Cycle” Ömer Penek #235 session 3
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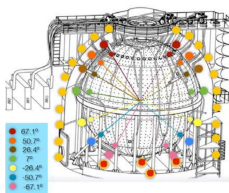
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Multiple approaches to monitor, understand, and suppress the temperature variations

Thermal insulation &
Active Gradient
Stabilization System



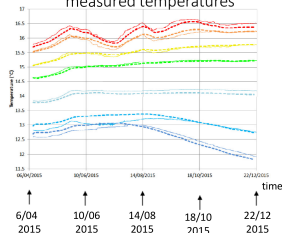
Temperature monitoring probes



54 temperature probes

Fluid dynamical simulation

Very good agreement with
measured temperatures



- Double layer of mineral wool (thermal conductivity down to 0.03 W/m/K) & Active Gradient Stabilization System (2014-2016)
- Temperature Probes (2014-2015)
- Fluid dynamical simulations
- Hall C Temperature Stabilization (2019)

V. di Marcello et al., NIM A 964, id. 163801

Enduring effort over the past six years

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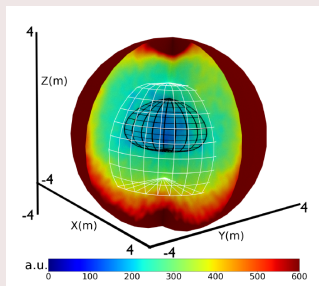
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^{210}Bi upper limit from ^{210}Po data

- LPoF (Low Polonium Field): region with minimum ^{210}Po rate
- $R(^{210}\text{Po}_{min}) = R(^{210}\text{Bi}) + R(^{210}\text{Po}^V)$

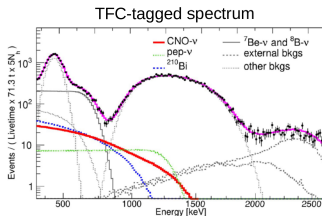
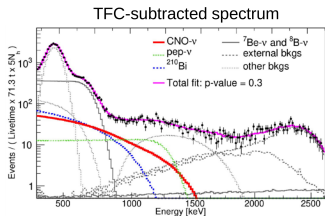


LPOF – black grid, FV – white grid

Borexino observes solar neutrinos from CNO cycle

TFC = Three-Fold Coincidence (μ , n and β^+) to reduce background from ^{11}C isotope.
 ^{11}C from muon-initiated spallation on ^{12}C .

CNO- ν analysis: Phase-III MV fit



Multivariate fit (0.32-2.64 MeV)
July '16 – February '20

Maximization of a binned likelihood **3 distributions simultaneously**:

- Reconstructed energy for TFC-tagged and TFC-subtracted datasets (^{11}C identification)
- Radial position

pep- ν rate constrained $\rightarrow$ solar luminosity constraint
 ^{210}Bi rate constrained $\rightarrow$ ^{210}Bi - ^{210}Po tagging
CNO rate $\rightarrow$ free to vary
Other ν and bkg rates $\rightarrow$ free to vary

Result

CNO best fit 7.2 cpd/100t
asymmetric confidence interval -1.7 +2.9 cpd/100t
(stat only) asymmetry $\leftrightarrow$ ^{210}Bi upper limit

Results

- The CNO solar neutrino rate:
 $7.2^{+3.0}_{-1.7}$ counts per day (cpd)/100 tons, 60% C.L.
- Corresponding flux of ν on Earth:
 $7.0^{+3.0}_{-2.0} \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Absence of CNO signal disfavoured at 5.0σ

Neutrino oscillations (3ν and 4ν)

Probability of $\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha$ disappearance in model with two neutrinos

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha} = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

Neutrino oscillation matrix in the three-flavour model

$$|\nu_j\rangle = \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} U_{\alpha j} |\nu_\alpha\rangle.$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$|U_{\alpha j}|^2$ describe the neutrino flavour- α fraction of ν_j

Neutrino oscillation matrix

Extended oscillation matrix:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} & U_{e4} & \dots \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} & U_{\mu 4} & \dots \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} & U_{\tau 4} & \dots \\ U_{s1} & U_{s2} & U_{s3} & U_{s4} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Active-sterile mixing must be small:

$$|U_{\alpha i}|^2 \ll 1 \quad (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau; i = 4, \dots, N).$$

Mixing angles in 3+1 model

Mixing matrix U can be parameterized by the mixing angles θ_{34} , θ_{24} , θ_{14} , phases δ_2 and δ_3 in addition to θ_{23} , θ_{13} and θ_{12} and δ_1 ,

$$|U_{e4}|^2 = \sin^2 \theta_{14},$$

$$|U_{\mu 4}|^2 = \cos^2 \theta_{14} \sin^2 \theta_{24},$$

$$|U_{\tau 4}|^2 = \cos^2 \theta_{14} \cos^2 \theta_{24} \sin^2 \theta_{34}.$$

For small angles $|U_{e4}|^2 = \sin^2 \theta_{14}$, $|U_{\mu 4}|^2 \simeq \sin^2 \theta_{24}$ and $|U_{\tau 4}|^2 = \sin^2 \theta_{34}$.

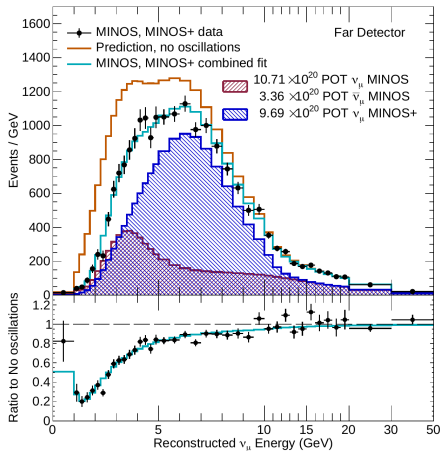
Potential of neutrino experiments to study U

type of measurement	sensitive to
ν_e or $\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance	$ U_{ei} $
ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance	$ U_{\mu i} $
$\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta$ appearance	$ U_{\alpha i} $ and $ U_{\beta i} $

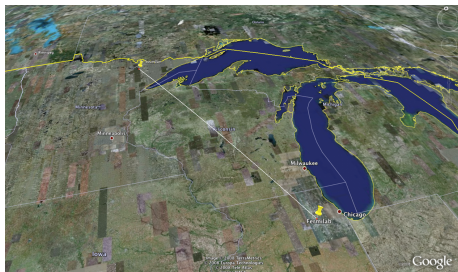
Long-baseline experiments, three-flavour oscillations

Long baseline experiments

Final 3ν oscillation results from MINOS/MINOS+

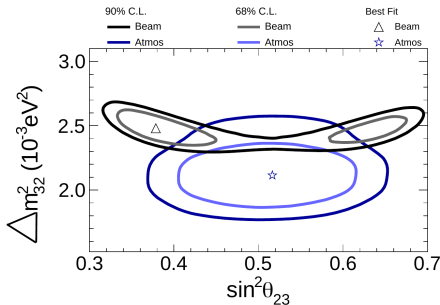


$$P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \right)$$

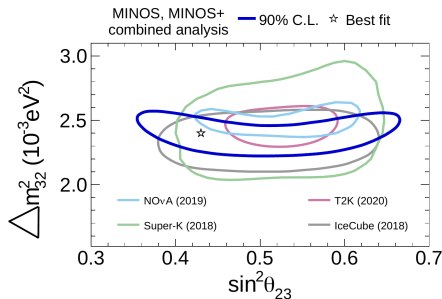


Long baseline experiments

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Beam and atmospheric data



Combined analysis
(Similar constraints on Δm^2_{32} from Daya Bay !)

Mass ordering (hierarchy) and CP violation

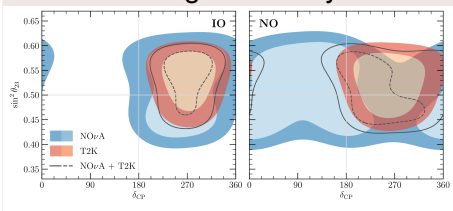
- Study of $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ vs $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$
- **Before Neutrino 2020**: hints for normal neutrino ordering and CP violation in neutrino sector

Long baseline experiments

Status of hints for normal neutrino ordering and CP violation

After Neutrino 2020

Results from global analysis including new data from T2K and NOvA:



1 σ and 2 σ allowed regions
NuFit 5.0

<http://www.nu-fit.org/>
arXiv:2007.14792

- hints for normal neutrino mass ordering decreased (currently at 2.7σ)
- CP conserving value $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ within 0.6σ of the global fit point.
- With inverted mass ordering CP violation is favoured at $\sim 3\sigma$ level.

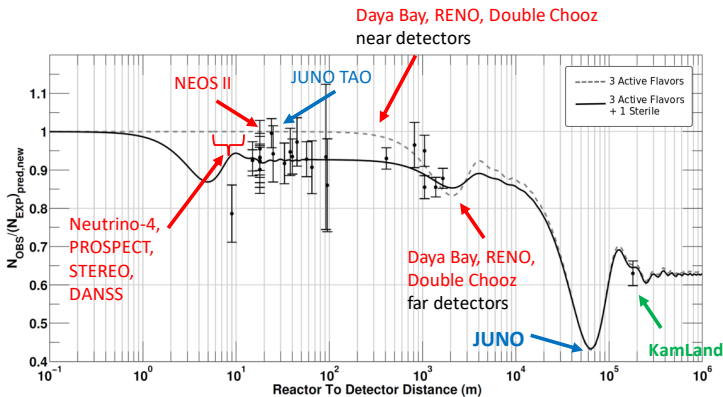
Reactor experiments

Reactor antineutrino oscillations

$$P_{(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)}^{3\nu} \simeq 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} (\cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \sin^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{32}) - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21}$$

$$= 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{ee} - \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \Delta_{21}$$

$$\Delta_{ij} = \frac{1.27 \Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{E_\nu}$$

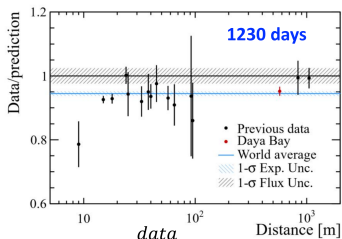


Reactor experiments – Daya Bay

PRD **100** 052004 (2019)

PRL **123** 111801 (2019)

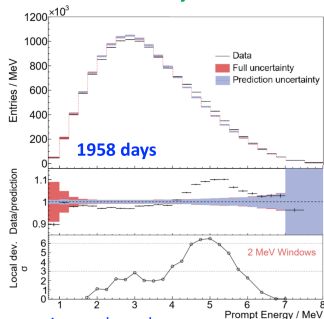
R. Mandujano's Poster #426



$$R = \frac{\text{data}}{\text{Model (Huber + Mueller)}}$$

$$= 0.952 \pm 0.014(\text{exp}) \pm 0.023(\text{model})$$

- Daya Bay result is consistent with the previous experimental results
- Data/prediction spectrum shows a total $>5\sigma$ deviation, especially significant deviation at 4-6 MeV region of the prompt energy ($>6\sigma$)
- No effect on far/near relative measurement for θ_{13} and Δm_{ee}^2



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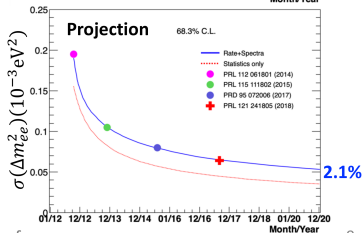
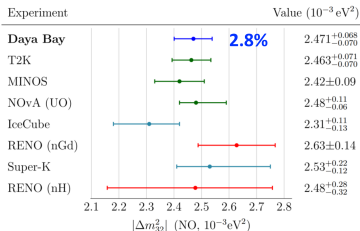
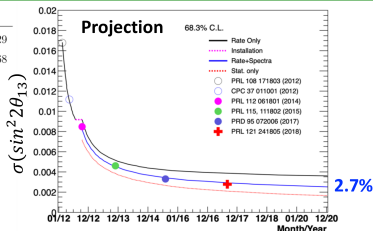
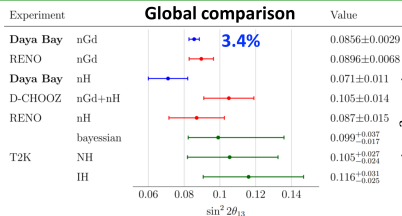
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Precision Measurements on $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ and $|\Delta m_{ee}^2|$



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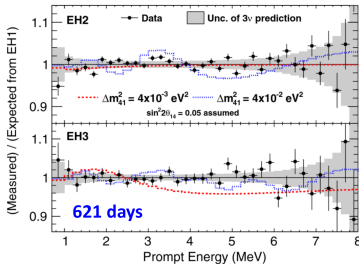
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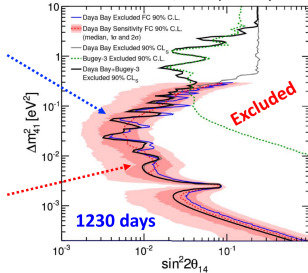


Sterile Neutrino Search

PRL **117** 151802 (2016)



arXiv:2002.00301, accepted by PRL



$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \cong 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{14} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right) - \sin^2 2\theta_{14} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)$$

- Search for an additional oscillation frequency besides Δm_{31}^2 and Δm_{32}^2
- Data is consistent with 3-ν model; No light sterile neutrino signal observed
- Consistent results from Feldman-Cousins and CLs methods

The most stringent upper limit for light sterile neutrinos ($\Delta m^2 < 0.2 \text{ eV}^2$)

Future reactor experiment – JUNO



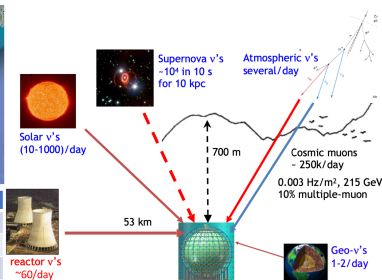
Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory (JUNO)



- JUNO has a rich program in neutrino physics and astrophysics



Nuclear power plant	Status	Power
Daya Bay	Operational	17.4 GW
Huizhou	Planned	17.4 GW
Lufeng	Planned	17.4 GW
Yangjiang	Operational	17.4 GW
Taishan	Operational	9.2 GW (2 reactors online now)



From J. Pedro Ochoa-Ricoux's NuFact 2019

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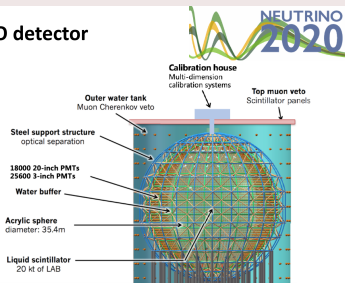


Keys for the JUNO detector

- Optimal baseline for the detector
- Large statistics
 - 26.6 GW_{th} power
 - ~60 IBD events per day
- Energy resolution < 3%/√E between 1 MeV and 8 MeV

$$\frac{\sigma_{E_{vis}}}{E_{vis}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{E_{vis}}}\right)^2 + b^2 + \left(\frac{c}{E_{vis}}\right)^2}$$

a : the statistical term
 b : a constant term independent of the energy, dominated by position non-uniformity
 c : the contribution of a background noise term
- Energy scale uncertainty < 1%
 - Comprehensive calibration strategy
- Background control



Experiment	Daya Bay	Borexino	KamLAND	JUNO
Target mass [tons]	8 x 20	~300	~1,000	20,000
Photo electron collection [p.e./MeV]	~160	~500	~250	~1200
Energy resolution	~8.5%	~5%	~6%	~3%
Photocathode coverage	12%	34%	34%	75%
Energy calibration uncertainty	0.5%	1%	2%	<1%

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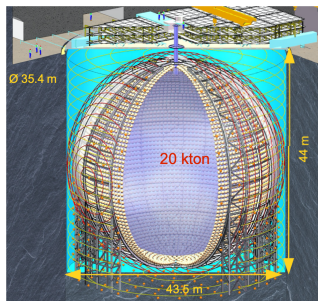
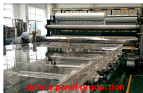
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Central detector (CD)



- 35 m diameter acrylic sphere
- Stainless steel truss
- 20,000 tons purified liquid scintillator
- 18,000 20-inch PMTs
- 25,600 3-inch PMTs
- Filling/Overflow/Circulation (FOC) system



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Physics Prospects

$$P_{ee}(L/E) = 1 - P_{21} - P_{31} - P_{32}$$

$$P_{21} = \cos^4(\theta_{13}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(\Delta_{21})$$

$$P_{31} = \cos^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{31})$$

$$P_{32} = \sin^2(\theta_{12}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(\Delta_{32})$$

$$\Delta_{ij} = 1.27 \Delta m_{ij}^2 L/E$$

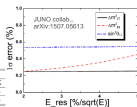
Neutrino mass ordering

- 3σ neutrino mass ordering sensitivity within 6 years.
- 4σ with Δm_{32}^2 input from accelerator experiments.
- $> 5\sigma$ combined analysis with IceCube within 3–7 years or PINGU in 2 years (arXiv: 1911.06745)

Neutrino oscillation parameters

- Sub-percent accuracy for θ_{12} ,
- Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2
- Current precision

	Δm_{21}^2	Δm_{31}^2	$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	δ
Dominant Expt.	KamLAND	T2K	SNO+SNO	Darwin Bay	NOvA	T2K
Individual 1 σ	2.4%	2.6%	4.3%	3.4%	5.2%	70%
No FT 4.0	2.4%	1.3%	4.0%	2.9%	3.8%	10%



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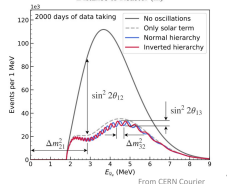
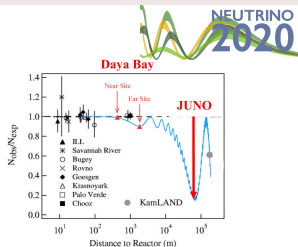
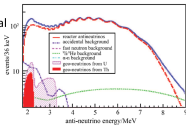


Figure 1 is a log-log plot showing the number of events per 170 kyr as a function of prompt event energy (MeV) for JUNO. The x-axis ranges from 10 to 35 MeV, and the y-axis ranges from 10^{-1} to 10^1 . The plot includes several curves representing different background components: DDBB (red), sum of backgrounds (black), reactor ν_e (green), CC atmospheric ν_e (blue), NC atmospheric ν_e (cyan), and fast neutrons (magenta). A horizontal line at approximately 0.5 events/170 kyr is labeled "JUNO collab., arXiv:1507.05613".

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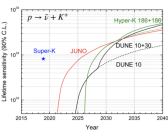
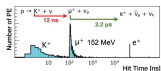
- Explore origin and thermal evolution of the Earth
- 400 – 500 neutrinos per year
- Precision 6% in 10 years



- lower the energy threshold of the detector down to $O(10)$ keV
- Realtime monitoring of the MeV transient neutrino sky



- Competitive sensitivity to proton decay searches
- Triple coincidence signal



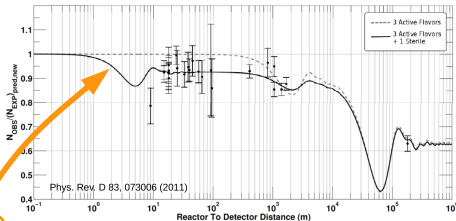
- Reactor flux shape precise measurement
- Sterile neutrinos
- Other exotic searches, etc

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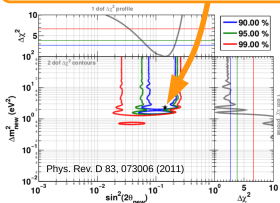
Very short baseline reactor experiments – Motivation

Motivation

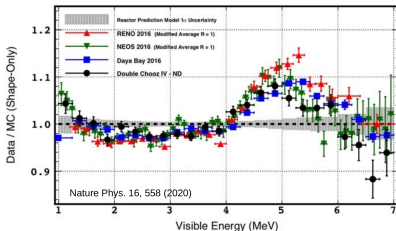
- Improved reactor neutrino flux predictions:
→ deficit in measured fluxes
- One possible explanation:
→ light sterile neutrinos
- Sterile neutrinos:
→ new oscillation channel visible at small L/E



Reactor Antineutrino Anomaly (RAA)
 $\sin^2(2\theta_{\text{new}}) = 0.14$, $\Delta m^2_{\text{new}} = 2.4 \text{ eV}^2$



- Energy spectral distortion w.r.t. model
→ up to ~10% between 4 and 6 MeV



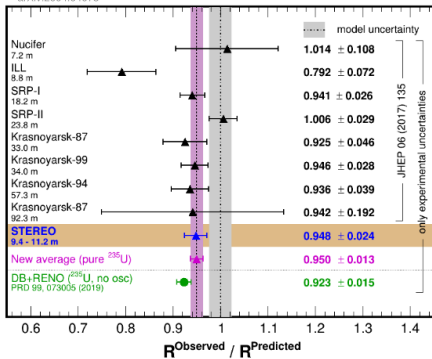
Very short baseline reactor experiments

- PROSPECT - Oak Ridge, US, baseline 6.7-9.2 m
- STEREO - Grenoble, France, baseline 9-11 m
- Neutrino-4 - Dimitrovgrad, Russia, baseline 6-12 m
- Future: NEOS-II (Korea, 23.7 m), JUNO-TAO (Korea, 30-35 m)

Very short baseline reactor experiments

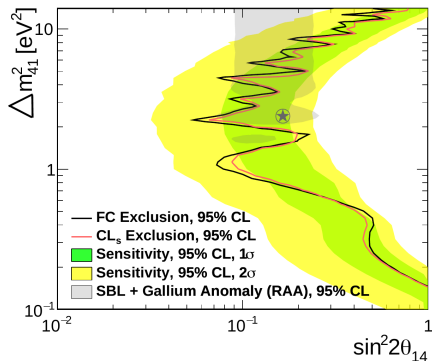
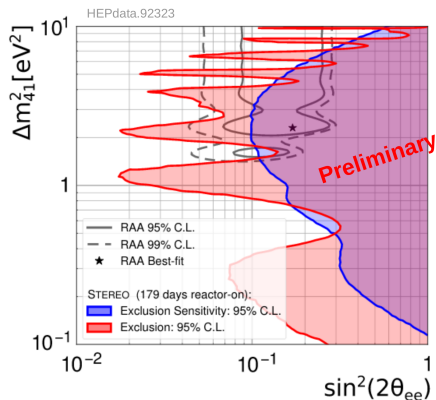
Flux measurements

arXiv:2004.04075



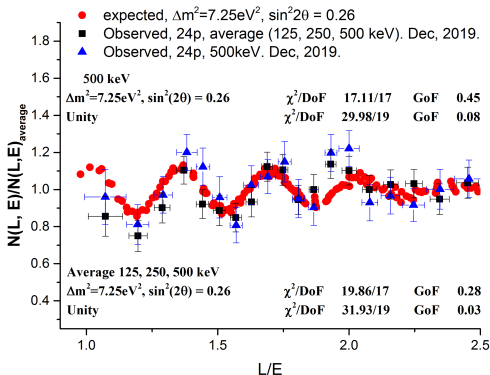
Very short baseline reactor experiments

Limits from STEREO and PROSPECT



Very short baseline reactor experiment – Neutrino-4

All data 2016 -2019 + background 20119



The period
of oscillation
is 1.4 m
for neutrino energy
4 MeV

A.P.Serebrov, et al.
JETP Letters,
Volume 109, (2019)
Issue 4, pp 213–221.

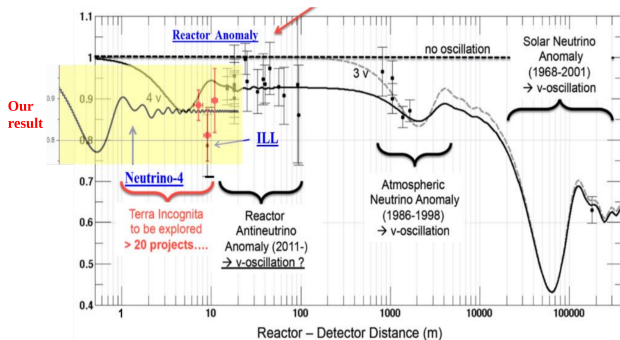
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Very short baseline reactor experiment – Neutrino-4

Reactor antineutrino anomaly with oscillation curve obtained in experiment Neutrino-4



T. Mueller, D.
Lhuillier, M.
Fallot et al.,
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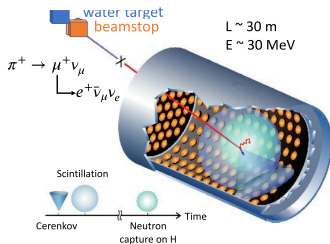
Accelerator experiments in sterile neutrino searches

Comparing MiniBooNE and LSND

LSND (1993-1998)

0.8 GeV proton beam

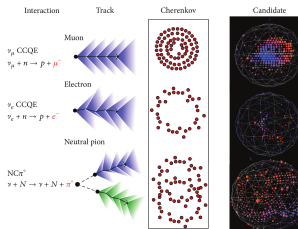
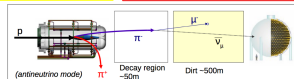
Decay At Rest neutrino flux



MiniBooNE (2002-2019)

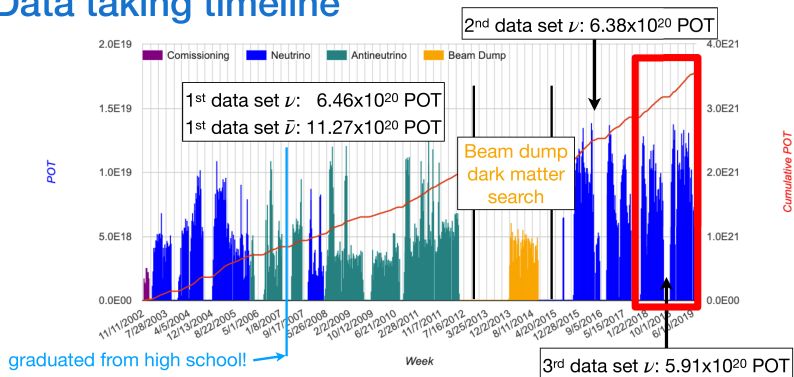
8 GeV proton beam

Decay In Flight beam



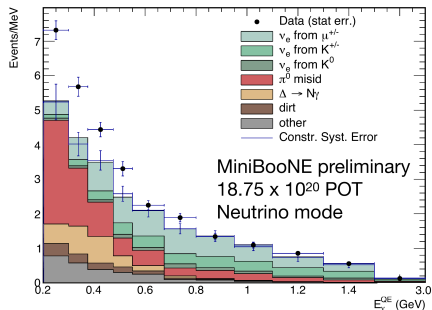
Different systematics. Same L/E baseline.

Data taking timeline



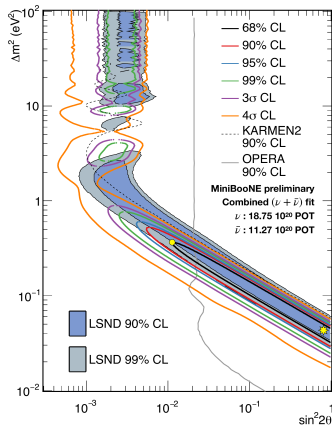
- We have added another $\sim 6 \times 10^{20}$ POT to the neutrino dataset since the previous data release.
- The detector was turned off at the end of summer 2019, mothballed and waiting for future use...
- Almost 17 years of running, or as much as 5 army ants worth of protons!

Neutrino energy and 3v prediction

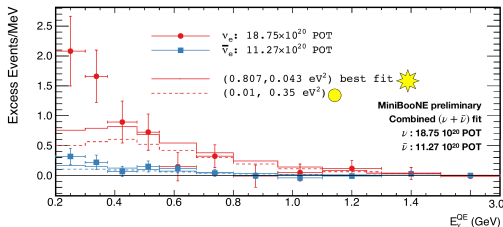


- Excess of data events with respect to our background prediction
- We report an excess of 560.6 ± 119.6 electron-like events (neutrino mode)
- **Significance : 4.7σ in neutrino mode only**

Preferred regions in sterile neutrino hypothesis



- Neutrino mode excess 4.7σ ,
- **Neutrino+Anti-neutrino modes excess : 4.8σ**



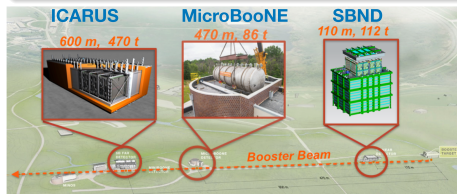
Neutrino + Anti-Neutrino Mode

$$(\Delta m^2, \sin^2 2\theta) = (0.043 \text{ eV}^2, 0.807)$$

$$\chi^2/ndf = 21.7/15.5 \text{ (prob} = 12.3\%)$$

Accelerator sterile neutrino searches – tests of LSND and MiniBooNE excess

- MiniBooNE stopped data-taking
- Waiting for results of MicroBooNE (LAr) tests of MiniBooNE low energy excess (photon vs electron)
- Fermilab Short Baseline Neutrino Program (SBN) (also *JSNS²* in J-PARC in Materials and Life Science).

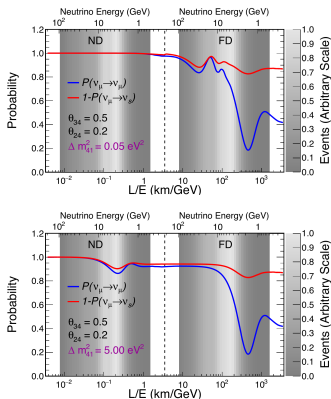


Accelerator sterile neutrino searches - MINOS/MINOS+



4-Flavor Oscillations at MINOS

Small
 Δm^2_{41}
 Large



Small Δm^2_{41} :
 Oscillations at the FD

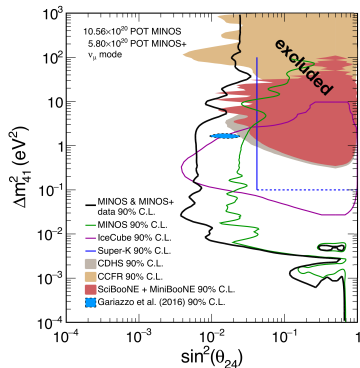
Large Δm^2_{41} :
 Large oscillations at the ND

Accelerator sterile neutrino searches - MINOS/MINOS+



MINOS+ Exclusion

P.Adamson et al. [MINOS Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 091803 (2019)



Fit θ_{23} , θ_{24} , Δm_{32}^2 , and Δm_{41}^2

Fix δ_{13} , δ_{14} , δ_{24} , and θ_{14} to zero
(no sensitivity)

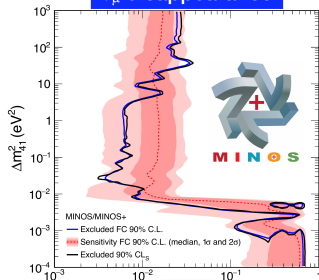
- ✳ Simultaneous 2 detector fit over long baseline
- ✳ Improvement over previous FD/ND ratio method
- ✳ Improvement with MINOS+ extra statistics

Accelerator sterile neutrino searches - MINOS/MINOS+



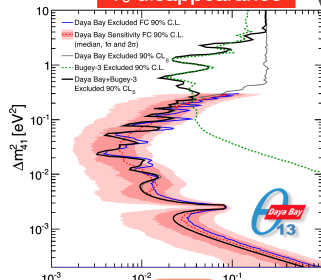
MINOS+/Daya Bay/Bugey-3 Exclusion

ν_μ disappearance



$\sin^2 \theta_{24}$

$\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance



$\sin^2 \theta_{14}$

$$4|U_{e4}|^2|U_{\mu 4}|^2 = \sin^2 \theta_{24} \sin^2 2\theta_{14} \equiv \sin^2 2\theta_{\mu e}$$

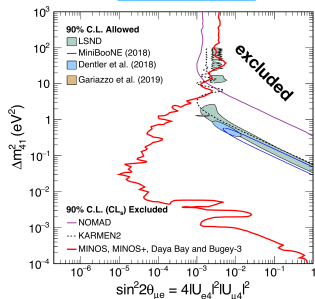
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Accelerator sterile neutrino searches - MINOS/MINOS+

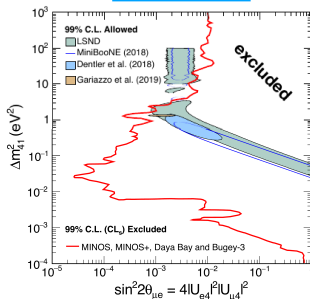


MINOS+/Daya Bay/Bugey-3 Exclusion

90% C.L.



99% C.L.



arXiv:2002.00301 (accepted by PRL)

- Neutrino 2020 virtual conference was a success
- Many interesting new results
- If you are interested in details: not only slides, but also video recordings are available on the conference web page:

<https://conferences.fnal.gov/nu2020/>