#### Neutrino oscillations today and tomorrow

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#### Present status of measurements:

SuperKamiokande, K2K, SNO, KamLAND, LNSD, MiniBooNE

#### Future projects:

MINOS, OPERA, ICARUS, T2K, NOvA, reactor experiments, new sources of neutrinos

# With neutrinos physics is unified

# Neutrino oscillations – one page summary

1998 - 2002 - romantic era of great discoveries 1998 SuperKamiokande - atmospheric anomaly explained by the  $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{\tau}$  oscillations 2002 confirmed by the long base accelerator experiment K2K 2001-2002 SNO solves the 35 years old solar neutrino puzzle by the  $v_e \rightarrow v_{u,\tau}$  transmissions Dec 2002 KamLAND shows that reactor anti- $v_e$ 's oscillate like solar  $v_e$ 's

from 2003 onwards - realistic era of precise measurements

- precise determination of the oscillation parameters and neutrino mixing matrix elements
- determination of the neutrino absolute masses
- character of neutrinos neutrinoless double beta decay ( $\beta\beta0\nu$ ) down to 0.01 eV

LBL accelerator (on-, off-axis) and reactor expts, superbeams, niu-factories,  $\beta$ -beams, bigger and improved detectors for all kinds of neutrino experiments, **sky surveys, ...** A.Zalewska, Mazury, 5.09.2005

# **Neutrino basics**



Oscillations: studied with solar, reactor, atmospheric and accelerator neutrinos



# Present status of neutrino oscillations

# Neutrino oscillations primer

In the two-neutrino oscillation scheme with two flavour eigenstates  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  and two mass eigenstates 1 and 2, the probability that neutrino of flavour  $\alpha$  transforms into neutrino of flavour  $\beta$ :

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( 1.27 \Delta m^2 \frac{L}{E} \right)$$

Appearance experiment:

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) \ge 0$$

Disappearance experiment:

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\alpha}) \leq 1$$

Matter effects: the same formulae for probabilities like for vacuum oscillations but effective masses and effective mixing angles Neutrinos are born in weak interactions as flavour eigenstates but propagate in vacuum or matter as mass eigenstates

#### Three neutrino mixing



Oscillation parameters: 3 mixing angles, 2 differences of mass squares, 1 phase If neutrino is the Majorana particle, 2 additional phases



If  $\delta \neq 0, \pi, 2\pi$ ...then CP is violated for leptons (like for quarks),  $\theta_{13}$  is a gateway to a measure to a measure to a measure to 5.09.2005

#### Three neutrino mixing

Present values of the oscillation parameters:

- $\theta_{23} = 45^{\circ} \text{ (maximal mixing)}, \ \theta_{12} = 33^{\circ} \text{ (large)}, \ \theta_{13} < 10^{\circ} \text{ (small)}, \ \Delta m^{2}_{23} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^{2}, \ \Delta m^{2}_{12} = 8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^{2},$
- $|\Delta m_{13}^2| = |\Delta m_{23}^2 \Delta m_{12}^2|$

#### **Neutrino oscillations**

Two oscillation regions with a very solid experimental evidence:

atmospheric region solar region Third region: LSND being checked by the dedicated MiniBooNE experiment

Note: SNO reduced the allowed oscillation space for solar neutrinos by 7 orders of magnitude CHOOZ excludes  $v_{\mu}-v_{e}$  oscillations in the atmospheric region



### Solar neutrinos primer



--Matter effects in the Sun are important for flavor conversior --We have to count on solar models to provide the needed input  $R = N_{obs}/N_{MC}$ --The distance to the Sun varies by about 7% during the year --During the night neutrinos pass through the Earth on their way to the detector, while during the day they do not -> the Earth matter effect provides further sensitivity to the neutrino parameters.

# **SNO - oscillations of solar neutrinos**

 $v_e$  neutrinos produced in Sun  $v_e \rightarrow v_{\mu,\tau}$  on the way from the Sun core to the Sun surface total neutrino flux in agreement with the Standard Solar Model

Phase 1: 1000 tons of  $D_2O$ , 9456 photomultipliers, 7 kton  $H_2O$ , 2000 m. under surface, detection of the Cherenkov radiation

Phase 2: addition of two tons of salt to improve the neutron capture efficiency

Phase 3: addition of He detectors

Phase 1 publications PRL 87, 071301 (2001) (SNO + SK) PRL 89, 011301 (2002) (SNO only)



#### Processes measured in the SNO experiment





# SNO - comparison of phase I and II

# **D**<sub>2</sub>**O**

#### **NC Sensitivity**

$$\epsilon_n \sim 24\%$$
  
 $n + {}^2H \rightarrow {}^3H + \gamma$   
 $E_{\gamma} = 6.25 \text{ MeV}$ 

NC and CC separation by energy, radial, and directional distributions

#### Salt

Enhanced NC Sensitivity  $\varepsilon_n \sim 83\%$   $n + {}^{35}CI \rightarrow {}^{36}CI + \Sigma\gamma$  $E_{\Sigma\gamma} = 8.58 \text{ MeV}$ 

NC and CC separation by event isotropy



# SNO - phase III

#### D<sub>2</sub>O + <sup>3</sup>He Proportional Counters

- Good neutron sensitivity
- Great neutron/electron separation





775 m total active length of He counters

# **SNO** - answers to the questions:



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#### SNO phase I+II results on solar fluxes

$$\Phi_{CC} = 1.68^{+0.06}_{-0.06} (stat .)^{+0.08}_{-0.09} (sys .) \times 10^{-6} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

$$\Phi_{ES} = 2.35^{+0.22}_{-0.22} (stat .)^{+0.15}_{-0.15} (sys .) \times 10^{-6} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

$$\Phi_{NC} = 4.94^{+0.21}_{-0.21} (stat .)^{+0.38}_{-0.34} (sys .) \times 10^{-6} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

$$\Phi_{BP 04} = 5.82 \pm 1.34 \times 10^{-6} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$



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# 2002 SNO results on solar fluxes



#### **Reactor antineutrinos**



Long tradition, started by the first observation of neutrino interactions by Reines and Cowan

Typical power station gives 6x10<sup>20</sup> anty-v/s and 3GW of power

# The Palo Verde reactor experiment



#### KamLAND - very long baseline reactor experiment



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Detector: inner detector - 1 kton of liquid scintillator, light registered by about 2000 photomultipliers, outer detector filled with oil, veto part filled with water, Detector "looks" at more than 30 reactors in Japan and Korea at average distance of 180 km Experiment started in January 2002, first results published in Dec. 2002



# A.Suzuki at Neutrino telescopes 2003 Liquid Scintillator

reaction process: inverse- $\beta$  decay  $(\overline{v}_e + p \longrightarrow e^+ + n)$ +  $p \longrightarrow d + \gamma$ 

distinctive two-step signature



$$E_{th} = \frac{(M_n + m_e)^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p} = 1.806 \, MeV$$

• prompt part : e<sup>+</sup>

 $\overline{v}_{e} \text{ energy measurement}$   $E_{v} \sim (E_{e} + \Delta) / 1 + \frac{E_{e}}{M_{p}} / + \frac{\Delta^{2} - m_{e}^{2}}{M_{p}}$   $\Delta = M_{n} - M_{p}$ 

- delayed part : γ (2.2 MeV )
- tagging : correlation of time, position and energy between prompt and delayed signal

#### KamLand results



KamLAND, PRL 90, 2003

Interesting: distance between the detector and the most powerfull reactors is too long L=70 km corresponds to the first oscillation minimum

Event numbers for 766 ton-years of data:<br/>Expected (no oscillation)=365.2 ± 23.7<br/>Expected background =17.8 ± 7.3KamLAND, EPS HEP2005<br/>Expected background =258

Disappearance with significance of 99.998%

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#### > KamLAND+SNO: Testing the Model



KamLAND, PRL 94, 2005 J.Klein, EPS HEP2005

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#### SuperKamiokande – solar neutrinos flux modulation in time



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# Atmospheric neutrinos primer



For E, > a few GeV, (Up-going / down-going)  $\mu$  ~ 1



Can't measure  $E_v$  or  $L_v$ , but can look at  $\cos\theta_{\text{zenith}}$  in bins of  $E_{\text{lepton}}$ 

#### SuperKamiokande – oscillations $v_{\mu} \leftrightarrow v_{\tau}$



Measurement of energy and direction of muons and electrons from CC neutrino interactions, about 15000 events from SuperK I





# SuperK - e and $\mu$ .



#### SuperK - multi-ring event



# Super Kamiokande-II

from Hayato at EPS2003



Inner detectorAcrylic + FRP vessel► ~5200 20inch PMTs with coversOuter detector, 1885, 8inch5PMTs

# the detector rebuilt successfully and resumed data taking in Dec. 2002.

#### **SK-II Cosmic ray muon sample**



#### >Zenith angle distributions showing $v_{\mu}$ disappearance



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### K2K - first LongBaseLine accelerator experiment



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 $< E_{v} > \sim 1.3 \text{GeV}$ almost pure  $v_{\mu} (\sim 98\%)^{3}$ 

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# K2K - measurement principle



Measurement of the muon momenta and directions in the near detector at KEK -> neutrino flux and energy spectrum in the near detector

-> extrapolation of the flux and energy spectrum to the far detector, assuming no oscillations

Measurement of the neutrino flux and energy spectrum in the far detector -> conclusions concerning the oscillations based on the flux reduction and modification of the energy spectrum A.Zalewska, Mazury, 5.09.2005

#### > K2K Long Baseline Accelerator (KEK to Kamioka)



#### Neutrino mass hierarchies



Two important questions:

How far from zero the whole picture is? Normal hierarchy (above) or inverted hierarchy (w.r.t.  $\Delta m_{atm}^2$ )

#### LNSD effect



E, MeV



Ú Effect not confirmed by the KARMEN experiment but allowed region not fully covered

#### > MiniBooNE - checking the LNSD effect



# $\acute{\upsilon}$ 8 GeV protons from the Fermilab booster neutrino beam of energy about 1 GeV

 $\acute{\upsilon}$  detektor at a distance of 500 m from the target

 $\acute{U}$  10<sup>21</sup> p.o.t. to confirm/exclude the LNSD effect

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) = \sin^{2} 2\theta \sin(\frac{1.27\Delta m^{2}L}{E})$$
  
Results expected ~end of 2005



#### The MiniBooNE detector





#### The MiniBooNE Detector

- + 12 meter diameter sphere
  - Filled with 950,000 liters (900 tons) of very pure mineral oil
    - Light tight inner region with 1280 photomultiplier tubes
    - Outer veto region with 241 PMTs.
    - Oscillation Search Method:

Look for  $v_e$  events in a pure  $v_\mu$  beam 9

#### MiniBooNE – event examples



#### If LSND confirmed ... revolution !



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# **Future of neutrino oscillations**

# A few important questions

Future oscillation experiments should/could answer:

Is  $\theta_{23}$  really maximal?

How small is  $\theta_{13}$ ?

Is CP violated for neutrinos?

Mass hierarchy - normal or inverted?

Is LSND effect true? Sterile neutrino(s) are needed?

# θ<sub>13</sub> Oscillation Experiments

Measurement	Method	Comment
∆m <sub>23</sub>	v <sub>µ</sub> disop.	LBL
θ <sub>z3</sub>	v <sub>µ</sub> disop.	Maximal?,LBL
θΒ	v <sub>µ</sub> → v <sub>s</sub>	LBL
	v <sub>e</sub> disap.	Reactor
CPV	v ->v vs v -> v	LBL + charge
matter effects	v ->v vs v -> v	VLBL
Hierarchy	v ->v vs v -> v	VLBL

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# θ<sub>13</sub> Oscillation Experiments Degeneracies

• The sign of  $\Delta m_{gg}$ , octanct of  $\theta_{gg}$  and the coupling between  $\theta_{gg}$  and  $\delta_{gg}$  reduce the sensitivity to  $\theta_{gg}$ .

 To resolve this problem several experiments has to be combined:

- $-v_{\mu}$  dissopearance and  $v_{\mu}$ -> $v_{\mu}$  transition.
- different matter effects in v\_->v transition.
- several transitions measured in a single experiment.
- measure different oscillation maxima.

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# Oscillation Experiments: mass hierarchy



 $\theta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{cp}$ 

Wrong-Sign Muon Measurements



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#### Three phases of experiments

#### Phase I (years 2005-2010):

- MINOS experiment on the NuMi beam
- OPERA and ICARUS nexperiments on the CNGS beam
- Double-CHOOZ reactor experiment

#### Phase II (approved experiments - years 2010-2015):

- T2K off-axis experiment (Tokai to Kamioka) on the Japonese superbeam
- NOvA off-axis experiment on the superbeam NuMi
- More sophisticated reactor experiments?

#### Phase III (now only R&D programs) ~ 2020?

- New neutrino sources: neutrino factories,  $\beta$  beams, ???
- Huge detectors: 1 Mton water Cherenkov, 100 ktons Liquid Argon, ???

# Phasel - Long BaseLine accelerator projects

• NuMi - neutrino beam from FNAL to the MINOS detector in the Soudan mine, started in January 2005, near and far detector,  $v_{\mu}$  disappearance

• CNGS - neutrino beam from CERN to Gran Sasso, far detectors OPERA and ICARUS, start in 2006,  $v_{\tau}$  appearance



#### **MINOS** experiment







- 5.4kt in total, calorimetric detector
  - 484 planes in two ~14.5m long
     "super modules", each plane 8m
     octagon
  - 2.54cm Fe, 1cm Scintillator
  - ~1.5T Magnetic field

#### **MINOS** experiment

#### 5 years of data taking - $25 \times 10^{20}$ p.o.t

#### oscillation pattern

improved  $\Delta m^2_{23}$ 



Will improve the CHOOZ limit on  $\theta_{13}$  by a factor 2

#### **CNGS - the OPERA experiment**

High energy neutrino beam, optimized for  $v_\tau$  appearance The OPERA experiment: emulsions + magnetic spectrometer, small signal with no background





# LAr TPC - principle of operation

Ionization electrons drift (msec) over large distances (meters) in a volume of highly purified liquid Argon (0.1 ppb of  $O_2$ ) under the action of an E field. With a set of wire grids (traversed by the electrons in ~ 2-3  $\mu$ s) one can realize a massive, continuously sensitive electronic "bubble chamber".



#### Side wall

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#### T600 - data quality



Richness of a single event

#### Complementary experiment: Reactors

- Long Baseline (~1 km from source)
- •Disappearance  $v_e \rightarrow v_e$
- Use near detector to measure reactor flux, spectrum and detector efficiency to cancel "all systematics"
- Look for small deviation from 1/r<sup>2</sup>
   with plenty of reactor signal

$$1 - P_{\overline{ee}} \cong \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E}\right) + O(\alpha^2)$$



• Very clean  $\theta_{13}$  measurement (no ambiguities, no matter effects)



# Osc. Experiments: double CHOOZ • Existing facilities can be reused...

- ...but, not optimal length (11km instead of 1.5km). Near site at 100/200 m.
- 56 ev/day at the far detector (from 12 to 200 GW/ton/year)
- Starts in 2007 with far detector.

Improved detector design: double the fiducial volume, better stability, reduced background (veto and buffer detectors),...



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#### Two body decay kinematics



#### T2K (Tokai to Kamioka) experiment From Kajita-son presentation



Next generation LBL experiments in Japan "J-PARC - Kamioka neutrino project"

### First superbeam



#### J-PARK construction spring 2005



#### T2K - further future



#### **NOvA experiment**



30 ktons in total, 80% of mass in a form of liquid scintillator i.e. active medium (5% for MINOS), individual cells are 3.9 cm wide, 6 cm deep and 15.7 m long

• Design optimized for the identification of  $v_e$ type events, longitudinal sampling of 0.15% (1.5% for MINOS)

• Detector will work on a surface at Ash River (810 km from the NuMi target, 12 km off-axis

#### Phase III - new sources of neutrinos

#### Superbeams



#### Neutrino Factories



 $\beta$  beams very fresh idea

Conventional beams of v. high intensity Świezy pomysł (2002 rok) -przyspieszać <sup>6</sup>He (źródło antyneutrin) i <sup>18</sup>Ne (źródło neutrin)

New type of accelerator: neutrinos from decays of accelerated muons

New type of accelerator: neutrinos (antineutrinos) from accelerated <sup>18</sup>Ne (<sup>6</sup>He)

#### **CERN** concept of the neutrino factory



#### β beam concept

- β beams have been introduced in 2001 by P.Zuchelli.
- the idea is to generate a pure v (v), precisely known E spectrum, with accelerated radioactive ions (<sup>139</sup>Ne, <sup>6</sup>He).
- Studies with several y factors and baselines.
- Design study in relation to the EURISOL facility at CERN.



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#### Future detectors ?

# What about 1 Mton of water?



#### And why not

#### A 100 kton liquid Argon TPC detector



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#### **Cherenkov detector – principles of work**

Cherenkov radiation is emitted along the particle path if particle moves faster than light in the detector medium (bluish light in water).





Cherenkov light emitted into a cone is detected by photomultipliers - signal distribution and its timing serves the reconstruction of charged particle direction → neutrino direction,

 signal amplitude measures particle energy

shape of the ring ("fuzzy" or sharp) → particle ID

non-showering or µ-like\_U

