Surreal Neutrinos



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... seems quite appropriate to neutrinos!

René Magritte, Belgian surrealist artist







"Everything we see hides another thing, we always want to see what is hidden by what we see."

TALK OUTLINE:

- what we see
- what we expect to see
- what is hidden by what we see...

... with homages to Magritte

Three-neutrino oscillations



Voice of the space (1931)

What we have seen: $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ oscillations in vacuum and matter









µ→μ



Data from various types of neutrino experiments: (a) solar, (b) long-baseline reactor, (c) atmospheric, (d) long-baseline accelerator, (e) short-baseline reactor, (f,g) long baseline accelerator (and, in part, atmospheric).

(a) KamLAND [plot]; (b) Borexino [plot], Homestake, Super-K, SAGE, GALLEX/GNO, SNO; (c) Super-K atmosph. [plot], MACRO, MINOS etc.; (d) T2K (plot), MINOS, K2K; (e) Daya Bay [plot], RENO, Double Chooz; (f) T2K [plot], MINOS; (g) OPERA [plot], Super-K atmospheric.

e→e



μ→е



μ→τ



...can be interpreted in a simple 3v theoretical framework



 $e \rightarrow e (\delta m^2, \theta_{12})$



 $\mu \rightarrow \mu \left(\Delta m^2, \theta_{23} \right)$

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L/E (km/GeV)

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Known parameters: $\delta m^2 |\Delta m^2| \theta_{12} \theta_{23} \theta_{13}$ $e \rightarrow e (\Delta m^2, \theta_{13})$



 $\mu \rightarrow e (\Delta m^2, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23})$



 $\mu \rightarrow \tau$ (Δm^2 , θ_{23})



Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) matrix

$$U_{\alpha i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\beta/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

[only if Majorana]
Mixing angles θ_{23} , θ_{13} , θ_{12} : known \checkmark CP-violat. phase(s) δ (α , β): unknown \checkmark

Mass-squared spectrum (up to absolute scale)



Current 3v picture in just one slide (with 1-digit accuracy) Flavors = $e \mu \tau$



We see:

$\delta m^2 \sim 8 \times 10^{-5} eV^2$
$\Delta m^2 \sim 2 \times 10^{-3} eV^2$
sin²θ ₁₂ ~ 0.3
sin²θ ₂₃ ~ 0.5
sin²θ ₁₃ ~ 0.02

We expect to see:

 $\begin{array}{l} \delta \ (CP) \\ sign(\Delta m^2) \\ octant(\theta_{23}) \\ absolute \ mass \ scale \\ Dirac/Majorana \ nature \end{array}$



Heraclitus Bridge (1935)

Exploring what we see with more digits: global analysis \rightarrow

Analysis includes increasingly rich oscill. data sets: LBL Acc + Solar + KL LBL Acc + Solar + KL + SBL Reactor LBL Acc + Solar + KL + SBL Reactor + SK Atm.

Parameters not shown are marginalized away.

C.L.'s refer to N
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\Delta \chi^2} = 1, 2, 3, ...$$

Results from Capozzi et al., arXiv:1312.2878, updated with "Reactor 2014" See also: Forero et al., 1405.7540; Gonzalez-Garcia et al., 1409.5439.

Single oscillation parameters



Current accuracy:

δ <mark>m</mark> ²	2.6	%
∆m²	2.6	%
$sin^2\theta_{12}$	5.4	%
$\sin^2\theta_{13}$	5.8	%
$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	~ 10	%

Precision Era!

Mass-mixing parameters: are they suggestive of some "simmetry"? Or is the symmetry only in our eyes... and is there just randomness?



The false mirror (1928)

Many interesting ideas, but still looking for an "illumination"...

Specific outcomes (a few examples from a vast literature)

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No organizing principle
("anarchy")
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Continuous flavor simmetries ("dynamics")

Common quark/lepton features ("complementarity")



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linear relations between \theta_{13}cos\delta and \theta_{12}, \theta_{23}
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links between neutrino spectra/angles/phases

links between θ_{13} and θ_{C}

Model selection will anyway benefit from new data!

Single parameters – What is still hiding



Comments on θ_{23} octant

Current instability stems from the data themselves

MINOS+, IceCube & T2K, SK atm. 2014/15 (*)



(*) To be included in our next global analysis.

Comments on hierarchy

No hints so far, but we'll get there via oscillations...



... if we can observe interference of oscill. driven by $\pm \Delta m^2$ with oscill. driven by another quantity **Q** with known sign. Three options:

 $Q = \delta m^2$ (medium-baseline reactors) $Q = 2\sqrt{2} G_F N_e E$ (matter effects in accel./atmosph. v) $Q = 2\sqrt{2} G_F N_v E$ (collective effects in supernovae)

[Nonoscillation searches may provide further handles]

Make $\pm \Delta m^2$ interfere with δm^2 at medium-baseline reactors Very challenging!



Will also improve δm^2 and θ_{12} accuracy by O(10)

Make $\pm \Delta m^2$ interfere with $G_F N_e E$ in atmospheric expts

NH/IH atm. oscillation analyses will face new systematics challenges



An example of hierarchy sensitivity study for PINGU, arXiv:1503.01999 Must account for "shape" syst's of energy-angle atmospheric v spectra

Comments on CPV phase

From variances to covariances: analysis of a 2D plot



Leading appearance amplitude at LBL Acc. ~ $sin^2\theta_{23}sin^2(2\theta_{13})$ → uncertainty on θ_{23} somewhat affects subleading terms

Subleading CPV appearance amplitude for $\nu \sim -\sin\delta$ \rightarrow T2K signal maximized for $\sin\delta \sim -1$ ($\delta \sim 1.5\pi$)



Each wavy band is in part determined by superposition of "two bands" for the two θ_{23} octants [it was more evident in older fits]

For the relatively "low" value $\sin^2\theta_{13}$ ~0.02 preferred by Solar + KL data, appearance ν signal in T2K maximized by subleading CP-odd term for $\sin\delta < 0$ [i.e., $1 < \delta/\pi < 2$]

Best agreement with relatively "strong" T2K appearance signal is for $\delta/\pi \sim 1.5$, irrespective of the hierarchy.

This trend wins over weaker MINOS appearance signal, which tends to prefer $\sin \delta > 0$ at best fit.







SK atm: in combination, these data further shrink the allowed regions and slightly lower the preferred value to $\delta/\pi \sim 1.3-1.4$ ²³

For comparison:



Status of representative CP phase values (in various fits): $\delta/\pi \sim 3/2$: preferred (nearly maximal CPV with sin $\delta \sim -1$) $\delta/\pi \sim 1/5$: disfavored (by ~2-2.6 sigma w.r.t. to preferred value) $\delta/\pi \sim 0$ or ~1: in between (~1-1.3 sigma away from best fit) **Reminder: CP violation requires that:**

- 3 mixing angles should be nonvanishing 🖌
- 2 mass gaps should be nonvanishing
- 1 Dirac phase should be nonvanishing ...

Nature has already provided us with 5 favorable conditions at terrestrial scales ...

Let us hope that the 6th condition is also (maximally) realized, as the hints suggest!

[and, if neutrinos are Majorana... we can dream of 2 more CP phases !]

A previous hint that grew up...



Absolute neutrino masses



The Battle of the Argonne (1959)

Still hiding: signals from neutrino mass observables

(m_β, m_{ββ}, Σ)

 β decay, sensitive to the "effective electron neutrino mass": $m_{\beta} = \left[c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 m_1^2 + c_{13}^2 s_{12}^2 m_2^2 + s_{13}^2 m_3^2\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Ov $\beta\beta$ **decay**: only if Majorana. "Effective Majorana mass": $m_{\beta\beta} = \left| c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 m_1 + c_{13}^2 s_{12}^2 m_2 e^{i\phi_2} + s_{13}^2 m_3 e^{i\phi_3} \right|$

Cosmology: Dominantly sensitive to sum of neutrino masses: $\Sigma=m_1+m_2+m_3$

Note 1: These observables may provide handles to distinguish NH/IH. Note 2: Majorana case gives a new source of CPV (unconstrained) Note 2: The three observables are correlated by oscillation data→

Upper limits on m_{β} , $m_{\beta\beta}$, Σ (up to some syst.) + osc. constraints



Major improvements expected in the next decade

Upper limits on m_{β} , $m_{\beta\beta}$, Σ in ~10 years ?



Large phase space for discoveries about v mass and nature.

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Cosmology first? Be prepared to $\Sigma > 0$ (or IH rejection) claims!

With "dreamlike" and converging data one could, e.g.



But "surreal" situations might also occur....



Warning: of course, a $0\nu\beta\beta$ discovery would tell us that ν =anti- ν and make us happy ...



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... but the identification of the underlying mechanism might be a much harder task ...



The pleasure principle (1937) Portrait of Edward James

Physics beyond "3 light v" should always be kept in mind:



One scenario is under particular scrutiny:

Light steriles at O(1) eV scale, with small active-sterile mixing? Prompted by some "anomalous" results still under investigation:



Extra cosmic radiation?



Reactor anomaly?



Gallium anomaly?





From Giunti et al. 2014. Note: Kopp et al. 2014 find worse GOF. In general, tension between appearance and disappearance oscillations. Also: some tension between oscillation and cosmology (not included above)

Several tests of sterile v hypothesis underway.

Even within 3v, theory will help in "seeing what is hidden by what we see" Two examples of well-defined, long-term theory programs:

0vββ NMEs -status 2013



Require joint effort from nuclear and particle phys. communities Improvements will help to refine future global data analyses

Another long-term theory program for an "unpredictable" event:

Sooner or later (say, 10±10 years ?), another galactic SN should explode... Its "autopsy" will keep us busy for decades, and teach us a lot about astrophysics and neutrino physics.



Raffelt at NOW 2014

Simulations of SN explosions, (anti)nu fluences and flavor transitions, which are already very demanding, will need to reach complexity levels comparable -probably- to QCD lattice calculations.



Will spark a truly interdisciplinary program from diverse communities

Long-term perspectives



Clarvoyance (1936)

Bridging two fundamental research programs





1+2 Where are the v's on this plot? Why are they so light?



Options:



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Neutrinos masses may offer a great opportunity to jump beyond the EW framework



- ... and to address fundamental physics issues, such as:
- new sources of CP violation at low and high energies
- lepton number violation and associated phenomena
- matter-antimatter asymmetry of the universe ...

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M ~ GUT scale

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In principle, several sterile states might even be split among widely difference energy scales, and contribute to various phenomena in (astro)particle physics. Let us remain open-minded!

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... what is hidden by what we see."

new light states new heavy states nonstandard inter. flavor structure lepton/baryon asym

v as a door to hidden physics...



Unexpected answer (1933)

Thank you for your attention...



Unexpected answer (1933)

... and thank you, Francis, for surreal* neutrino events!



*very strange or unusual: having the quality of a dream.

Extra slides



Leading appearance amplitude at LBL Acc. ~ $\sin^2\theta_{23} \sin^2(2\theta_{13})$ \rightarrow anticorrelates θ_{23} and θ_{13}

Leading disappearence amplitude at SBL Reac. ~ $sin^2(2\theta_{13})$ Subleading disappearence effects in Solar + KL ~ $sin^2\theta_{13}$ \rightarrow indirectly helps in selecting high vs low θ_{23}





MINOS disappearance prefers nonmaximal mixing (still wins over T2K preference for \sim maximal) \rightarrow two degenerate minima for θ_{23}

T2K + MINOS appearance anticorrelate the minima with θ_{13} : the higher θ_{23} , the lower θ_{13}

Contours extend to relatively high $sin^2\theta_{13}$ to accommodate the relatively "strong" T2K appearance signal, especially in IH

In the combination, Solar + KL data lift the degeneracy and prefer the second octant solution, associated with "low" $sin^2\theta_{13}$ ~0.02



Reactor data prefer $\sin^2\theta_{13}$ ~0.022, slightly higher than Solar+KL: enough to flip the octant in NH, but not enough to do so in IH.



SK atm: In our analysis we still find an overall preference of these data for 1st octant. But, global octant balance rather fragile.



Hierarchy & octant sensitivity study for PINGU, arXiv:1503.01999