# T2K NEUTRINO EXPERIMENT RESULTS AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES



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# NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS



#### Oscillations governed by

- three mixing angles:
  - $\theta_{12} \approx 33^\circ, \theta_{13} \approx 9^\circ, \theta_{23} \approx 45^\circ$
- two mass squared differences:
  - $\Delta m_{21}^2 \approx 7.5 \times 10^{-5} eV^2$  and  $|\Delta m_{32}^2| \approx 2.5 \times 10^{-3} eV^2$
- source-detector baseline and neutrino energy

Open questions:

- CP-violation in lepton sector?  $\delta_{CP}$  value?
- Mass hierarchy(MH), "normal" (NH) or "inverted" (IH):
  - $m_1 < m_2 \ll m_3 \text{ or } m_3 \ll m_1 < m_2$ ?
- Octant of  $\theta_{23}$ : <, > or = 45°?
- Dirac/Majorana, steriles, CPT...

#### T2K (TOKAI-TO-KAMIOKA) EXPERIMENT

- Long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiment in Japan
- International collaboration:
  - ~500 members, 63 institutes, 11 countries





# T2K DESIGN



- Energy peaked at oscillation maximum (E~0.6 GeV)
- Dominant process: charge current quasi-elastic interactions (CCQE)
- Reduced intrinsic  $V_e$  contamination ( $\leq I$ %)
- Reduced backgrounds from high-energy tail



### NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS IN T2K

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{\mu}) \simeq 1 - (\cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{23}) \sin^2 \left(\Delta m_{31}^2 \frac{L}{4E}\right)$$

• Precise measurement of  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$  and CPT test via V vs anti-V disappearance analysis

$$\begin{split} P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}) \simeq & \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \sin^{2} \theta_{23} \times \frac{\sin^{2}[(1-x)\Delta]}{(1-x)^{2}} \text{ Leading term} \\ \text{Leading term} \\ \text{CP-violating } -\alpha & \sin \delta_{CP} \times \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \times \sin \Delta \frac{\sin[x\Delta]}{x} \frac{\sin[(1-x)\Delta]}{(1-x)} \\ \text{``+'' sign for anti-v} \\ \text{CP-conserving} +\alpha & \cos \delta_{CP} \times \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \times \cos \Delta \frac{\sin[x\Delta]}{x} \frac{\sin[(1-x)\Delta]}{(1-x)} \\ +O(\alpha^{2}) & \alpha = |\frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2}}{\Delta m_{31}^{2}}| \sim \frac{1}{30} \quad \Delta = \frac{\Delta m_{31}^{2}L}{4E} \quad x = \frac{2\sqrt{2}G_{F}N_{e}E}{\Delta m_{31}^{2}} \end{split}$$

• Leading term defines the octant of  $\theta_{23}$ : <, > or = 45°

 Sub-leading term accounts for CPV: enhanced effect when comparing neutrino and antineutrino data

# NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS IN T2K

#### $\delta_{CP}$ and MH affect differently neutrino and antineutrino oscillations



CP PHASE/ CHANNEL	$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e})$	$P(\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \to \bar{\nu}_{e})$
δ <sub>CP</sub> =-π/2	Enhance	Suppress
δ <sub>CP</sub> =π/2	Suppress	Enhance

At T2K baseline (L~295km, E~0.6GeV):

- CPV:  $\approx \pm 30\%$  effect
- Mass hierarchy:  $\approx \pm 10\%$  effect

#### T2K DATA TAKING

• POT (Protons on Target) for present results (Jan 2010 - May 2016):

• 7.48x10<sup>20</sup>(ν mode) + 7.47x10<sup>20</sup>(anti-ν mode) POT



# PRE-OSCILLATION MEASUREMENTS

# ON-AXIS NEAR DETECTOR INGRID



- T2K utilises off-axis neutrino beam:
  - Important to monitor beam intensity and direction
  - Iron/scintillator detector to measure beam profile and rate
  - Day-by-day monitoring
  - Direction stable within I mrad (~2% shift in peak energy)



# **OFF-AXIS** NEAR DETECTOR ND280





- Detectors inside refurbished UAI magnet: 0.2 T
  - Tracker:
    - 3 Time-Projection Chambers (TPCs)
    - 2 Fine-Grained Detectors (FGDs):
      - scintillator (FGDI)
      - scintillator/water (FGD2)
  - Calorimeters and muon range detectors

Many studies on neutrino interactions: talk by M.Malek on March 16



Example event in ND280 Tracker

### ND280 ANALYSIS

#### Example samples



- Fit to ND280 samples constrains neutrino flux and cross-section model
- Reduce systematic uncertainty for oscillation analysis: ≈ 12%→≈6%



# POST-OSCILLATION MEASUREMENTS

#### POST-OCILLATION MEASUREMENTS: SUPER-KAMIOKANDE

- 50(22.5 FV) kton water-Cherenkov tank
- Separate e/µ-like rings:
  - <1% misidentified  $\mu$  as e
- $\pi^0$  rejection
- No magnetic field









- T2K signal: single ring events
- CCQE kinematics for energy reconstruction
- Neutral current (NC) π<sup>0</sup> background for appearance search

$$E_{CCQE} = \frac{m_p^2 - m_n'^2 + 2m_n'E_l - m_l^2}{2(m_n' - E_\mu + p\cos\theta_\mu)}$$

#### SUPER-KAMIOKANDE SAMPLES



# NEW SAMPLE: $CCI\pi$

- V<sub>e</sub> e-like single ring events
- Require additional ring from Michel electron
- Energy with 2-body kinematics with  $\Delta$  baryon
- Applied only for V-mode running
  - Gain ~10% more statistics
  - 5 events observed
- Total 5 samples available for T2K analysis







T2K ANALYSIS

### T2K ANALYSIS STRATEGY



# ANALYSIS RESULTS: $\theta_{23}$ and $\Delta m^{2}_{32}$





- Joint analysis with reactor constraint
- T2K data consistent with maximal mixing
- Compatible with other experiments
- Consistent results for V and anti-V: CPT conserved

PARAMETER/MASS HIERARCHY	NORMAL MASS HIERARCHY	INVERTED MASS HIERARCHY	
$sin^2 2\theta_{32}$	0.532 <sup>+0.046</sup> -0.068	0.534 <sup>+0.043</sup> -0.07	
$ \Delta m^2_{32} $ (x10 <sup>-3</sup> eV <sup>2</sup> )	2.545 <sup>+0.081</sup> -0.084	2.51 <sup>+0.081</sup> -0.083	

# ANALYSIS RESULTS: $\theta_{13}$ and $\delta_{CP}$



- Sensitivity to  $\delta_{CP}$  with T2K data only data
- Good agreement with reactor experiments
- 90% C.L. for  $\delta_{CP}$  (radians):
  - Normal mass hierarchy: [-2.948, -0.467]
  - Inverted mass hierarchy: [-1.466, -1.272]



# ANALYSIS RESULTS: $\theta_{13}$ and $\delta_{CP}$



	v <sub>e</sub> -like		$\overline{\nu}_{e}$ -like	
Mass hierarchy	Normal Inverted		Normal	Inverted
$\delta_{CP}$ =- $\pi$ /2	28.8 25.5		6.0	6.5
δ <sub>CP</sub> =0	24.2	21.2	6.9	7.4
$\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$	19.7	17.2	7.7	8.4
δ <sub>CP</sub> =π	24.2	21.6	6.8	7.4
Data	32		4	

- Exclude  $sin(\delta_{CP})=0$  at 90% C.L.
- Observed events favour large CPV ( $\delta_{CP} \approx -\pi/2$ ) and normal mass hierarchy
- Data implies more CPV  $\rightarrow$  stronger limits than expected
  - "Statistical fluctuation"?  $\rightarrow$  need further data

#### T2K FUTURE PROSPECTS

- 7.8x10<sup>21</sup> POT approved (expected by ~2021)
- Gain "effective" statistics: new CC-nonQE, multi-ring samples, expand Super-K FV
- Decrease systematic uncertainties: new ND280 samples + analysis improvements
- T2K phase-II proposal to start in ~2021 and run till 2026 (Hyper-Kamiokande time?):
  - Collect ~20x10<sup>21</sup> POT
  - Increase beam power: 450 kW  $\rightarrow$  750kW  $\rightarrow$  1.3 MW
  - Horn current: 250 kA  $\rightarrow$  320 kA





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#### T2K FUTURE PROSPECTS: SENSITIVITY



- Exclude no-CPV at more than  $3\sigma$  level for  $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$  and NH.
- Measure  $\theta_{23}$  with resolution of  $\leq 1.7^{\circ}$

#### T2K FUTURE PROSPECTS: NEAR DETECTOR UPGRADE

- Reduction of systematic uncertainties is crucial
  - ~18% (2011) → ~9% (2014) → ~6% (2016) → 4%(2020..)?
- ND280 measurements are important
  - Possible upgrade of T2K near detector: target date ~2020
  - New design (work on-going):
    - improve acceptance
    - increase mass of water target
  - Test detectors in J-PARC for target design:
    - INGRID water module (2016)
    - WAGASCI/Baby-MIND (from 2017)



#### Existing TPCs, New TPCs, Targets (Water) + surrounding calorimeters 23

VTPC

Reference design

Water Target

HTPC

VTPC.

VTPC

Active Target

HTPC

#### SUMMARY

- T2K is working steadily on its quest on filling neutrino puzzle
- With  $\simeq 15 \times 10^{20}$  POT (~20% expected statistics):
  - Very precise measurements of  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m^2_{32}$
  - Consistent disappearance results for neutrino and antineutrino: no CPTV
  - Measurement of  $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$  in agreement with reactor data
  - First! exclusion of CP-conservation at 90% C.L.
- Short term plans:
  - Continuous data taking with beam power increase to 750 kW
  - New analysis samples in far and near detectors to increase statistics and improve systematics
- T2K Phase-II proposed, extended run for ~2020-2026. Smooth transition to Hyper-K time
  - Accumulate  $20 \times 10^{21}$  POT to reach  $3\sigma$  exclusion of non-CPV for certain  $\delta_{CP}$  and MH
  - Accelerator upgrade to reach I.3 MW
  - Possible near detector upgrade to further reduce systematic uncertainties



# Thank You

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# T2K NEUTRINO FLUX PREDICTION

- Simulation: FLUKA, GCALOR and GEANT3
- Tuned to external data: NA61/SHINE (CERN)
  - Measurement of pion/kaon production of 31 GeV/c proton beam with carbon target
  - Thin target (4% $\lambda$ ) and T2K replica target
  - Reduction of uncertainties: ~30% to ~10%
- Intrinsic V<sub>e</sub> background at ~0.5% level





#### T2K NEUTRINO INTERACTION MODEL

- NEUT neutrino generator
- Model tuned to external data: MiniBooNE, MINERvA, bubble chambers`
- CCQE: Relativistic Fermi Gas + relativistic Random Phase Approximation for nuclear system
- Multinucleon processes (2p2h) included based on J.Nieves model, Phys. Lett. B 707, 72 (2012)
- Pre-(ND280)fit uncertainty for Super-K: ~7.5%



#### COMPARISON WITH NOVA BEST-FIT



# ANALYSIS RESULTS: $\theta_{13}$ and $\delta_{CP}$ expected sensitivity



- Expected sensitivity for  $\delta_{CP} = -1.601$  and  $\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.0217$  Asimov dataset
- Reactor constrain applied

#### EFFECT OF CCI $\pi$ SAMPLE







#### Normal mass hierarchy Reactor constrain applied

	$\delta_{cp} = -\pi/2$ (NH)	$\delta_{cp} = 0$ (NH)	$\delta_{cp} = +\pi/2$ (NH)	$\delta_{cp} = \pi$ (NH)	Observed
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#### CPT INVARIANCE TEST: $v_{\mu}$ AND anti- $v_{\mu}$ DISAPPEARANCE

- Strategy
  - Assign independent oscillation parameters for antineutrinos
  - Neutrino samples constrain "wrong-sign" background
  - Test CPT:  $\theta_{23} \neq \overline{\theta}_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^2 \neq \Delta \overline{m}_{32}^2$
- Consistent results for  $P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu})$  and  $P(\overline{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \overline{\nu}_{\mu})$ : CPT conserved



### ND280 ANALYSIS: v-MODE

- ND280 samples in FGD1 and FGD2:  $v_{\mu}$  interactions in V mode running
  - CC-0 $\pi$ : muon and no pions in the final state
  - CC-I  $\pi$ : muon and  $\pi^+$  in the final state
  - CC-Other: all other CC interactions (DIS dominated)













# ND280 ANALYSIS: ANTI-V-MODE

- ND280 samples in FGD1 and FGD2
- CC-Itracks and CC-Ntrack samples
- $\mu^+$  samples and  $\mu^-$  to constrain "wrong-sign" background



#### ND280 INPUTS TO OSCILLATION ANALYSIS

- Each model parameter (flux + neutrino interactions) has its uncertainty
- Fit to ND280 data constrains flux and cross-section model, uncertainties propagated to SK as covariance
  - Significant reduction of systematic uncertainties





Total N <sub>SK</sub> Fraction Uncertainty, %		$ u_{\mu}$	Ve	ainti- $V_{\mu}$	anti-V <sub>e</sub>
Flux	W/O ND280	7.6	8.9	7.1	8.0
Cross section	W/O ND280	7.7	7.2	9.3	10.1
Flux and cross section	W/ ND280	2.9	4.2	3.4	4.6
Final/sec. hadronic interactions		1.5	2.5	2.1	2.5
Far detector		3.9	2.4	3.3	3.1
Total	W/O ND280	12.0	11.9	12.5	13.7
Total	W/ ND280	5.0	5.4	5.2	6.2
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