



# **TZK:** RECENTS RESULTS AND PROSPECTIVE

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## Neutrino Oscillations

If mass and weak eigenstates are different:

- Neutrino is produced in weak eigenstate
- It travels a distance L as a mass eigenstate
- It will be detected in a (possibly) different weak eigenstate



Bruno Pontecorvo 1969

$$V_{\mu} \longrightarrow V_{\mu}, V_{e} \text{ or } V_{\tau}$$

$$V_{1}, V_{2}, V_{3}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_{\mu} \\ v_{x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \end{pmatrix} P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{x}) = \sin^{2}(2\theta)\sin^{2}\left(\frac{1.27\Delta m^{2}L}{E_{v}}\right)$$

## Evidence for neutrino oscillations (Super-Kamiokande @Neutrino '98)



Summary Evidence for  $V_{u}$  oscillations  $V_{u} \rightarrow V_{u}$   $q_{0} \neq C.L.$   $v_{v} \rightarrow V_{u}$   $q_{0} \neq C.L.$  $v_{v} \rightarrow V_{u}$ 

Y. Fukuda et al., PRL 81 (1998) 1562





#### The Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) Matrix (before 2011)



### Neutrino sources

- Natural sources (solar and atmosferic)
- Reactor v
- Accelerator v («Long Baseline»)



# Everything changed in 2011/2012















28 events observed over  $4.92 \pm 0.55$  bkgs  $\rightarrow 7.3\sigma$  excess First Confirmation of 'Appearance phenomenon' w/ >  $5\sigma$  significance.



Word's bigger LBL neutrino experiment

## ~400 physicists, 58 institutions, 11 nations, 3 continents



**Breakthrough prize 2015** (Nishikawa-san +T2K collaboration) for their role in the discovery and study of neutrino oscillation.

# The Tokai to Kamioka (T2K) Experiment

Super-K Detector





- The T2K experiment searches for neutrino oscillations in a high purity  $v_{\mu}$  beam
- A near detector located 280 m downstream of the target measures the un-oscillated neutrino spectrum
- The neutrinos travel 295 km to the Super-Kamiokande water Cherenkov detector
- v<sub>e</sub> appearance
- ν<sub>µ</sub> disappearance
- $\delta_{cp}$
- X-section + exotics

#### J-PARC Accelerator



#### Near Detector





- 30 GeV proton beam generated by J-PARC Main Ring (MR) directed to the graphite target
- Secondary pions collected and focused by the magnetic horns
  - $\nu$  beam:  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_{\mu}$  (Forward horn current)
  - $\overline{\nu}$  beam:  $\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \overline{\nu}_{\mu}$  (Reverse horn current)
- Uses off-axis method to make the spectrum peak at 600 MeV
  - Expected oscillation maximum at L=295 km







#### Near Detectors



ND280 (off-axis)

- **Magnet:** B = 0.2 T
- **TPC:** p measurement + particle-ID with dE/dx
- **FGD:** Fine-grained detectors (2 × 0.8 t)  $\rightarrow$  FGD1 (C), FGD2 (C+H<sub>2</sub>O)
- SMRD: magnetized muon range detector
- P0D: pi-zero detector (Pb/brass-H2O-scintillator)
- ECal: electromagnetic calorimeter

#### **INGRID** (on-axis)

V<sub>µ</sub> CC rate → monitor beam profile and stability
 Fe/Scintillator tracking calorimeter (16 Fe/Scint modules + 1 central one made of scintillator only)

# ND280





**TPC** assembling









UA1 Magnet@CERN (beginning 80')



ND280 Installation



## ANALYSIS STRATEGY



Near detectors observe the neutrinos prior to oscillations  $\phi_v \cdot \sigma_v \cdot \epsilon_{NEAR}$ 

- Use near detector neutrino interactions to constrain flux x  $\sigma$  uncertainty across
  - different topologies
  - carbon and water targets (FGD1/FGD2)
  - "wrong sign"  $v_{\mu}$ -CC in  $\overline{v}$ -mode beam



|        | FHC                 |                  | RHC                 |                              |
|--------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
|        | $\mathcal{V}_{\mu}$ | $\overline{v}_e$ | $\mathcal{V}_{\mu}$ | $\overline{\mathcal{V}}_{e}$ |
| φ      | 3.6                 | 3.7              | 3.7                 | 3.8                          |
| σ      | 4.1                 | 5.2              | 4.1                 | 5.4                          |
| SK     | 4.2                 | 3.5              | 3.9                 | 4.0                          |
| PREFIT | 11.9                | 12.6             | 12.7                | 14.3                         |
| TOTAL  | 5.1                 | 6.8              | 5.1                 | 7.4                          |

#### Neutrino Flux @ Nd280 100 MeV/c) + Data - Data 🔶 Data Events/(100 MeV/c 0005 220 ¥ 200⊨ postfit postfit postfit v CCQE v CCQE v CCQE 2 180 v CC 2p-2h v CC 2p-2h v CC 2p-2h СС0π CC1π CCNπ 160 250 CC Res 1π VCC Res 1π v CC Res 1π 140 F 1500 120E v CC Coh 1π ν CC Coh 1π ν CC Coh 1π 200 100 150 v CC Other v CC Other v CC Other 1000 v NC modes v NC modes v NC modes 100 500 ⊽ modes ⊽ modes ⊽ modes 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4500 5000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 3500 4000 4500 5000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4500 5000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) *v*-mode *v*-mode • 6 *v*-mode samples (FGD1,2) 5.8x10<sup>20</sup> POT - Data - Data postfit postfit ്ള് 250 V CCQE v CCQE $\mu^+$ N-track • *v<sub>μ</sub>* CC0π, CC1π, CCnπ $\mu^+$ 1-track 200 non-CCQE v non-CCQE • 8 *v*-mode samples (FGD1,2) 2.8x10<sup>20</sup> POT 150 🗕 V CCQE **⊽** CCQE 100 • $\overline{v}_{\mu}$ CC 1-track, CC N-track + $v_{\mu}$ "wrong sign" ⊽ non-CCQE ▼ non-CCQE • simultaneous fit of µ momentum/angle: 7000 8000 9000 10000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) 2000 3000 4000 5000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 8000 9000 10000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) • FGD1 (all plastic) and FGD2 (water+plastic) - Data - Data postfit postfit • Flux parameters increase by ~15% v CCQE v CCQE $\mu^{-}$ 1-track Cross sections ~consistent with input $\mu^{-}$ N-track 30 non-CCQE non-CCQE 25 • P-value = 8.6% V CCQE **⊽** CCQE • Reduce uncertainties fron 12-15% to 5-8% v non-CCQE 7000 8000 9000 10000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) 7000 8000 9000 10000 Muon momentum (MeV/c) 2000 3000 2000 3000 4000 5000



One of the 10.000 photosensors of SK

as an electron is < 1%



## $\nu_{\mu} \text{ and } \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \text{ disappearance results}$

Constraints on the atmospheric parameters:  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m^2_{31}$ 





World-leading measurement of sin<sup>2</sup> θ<sub>23</sub>
 Results continue to be consistent with maximal mixing/oscillation
 No significant differences between V and V

|  | NH                        | IH                        |  |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| sin²θ <sub>23</sub>  | $0.532_{-0.068}^{+0.046}$ | $0.534_{-0.007}^{+0.043}$ |  |
| IΔm <sup>2</sup> <sub>32</sub> I<br>(×10 <sup>-5</sup> eV <sup>2</sup> /c <sup>4</sup> ) | $254.5_{-8.4}^{+8.1}$     | $251.0^{+8.1}_{-8.3}$     |  |

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



- T2K-only result consistent with the reactor measurement

- Favors the 
$$\delta_{cp} \sim -\frac{\pi}{2}$$
 region

## Results: $\delta_{CP}$ confidence regions

T2K + Reactor  $\theta_{13}$  (PDG 2015)



Feldman-Cousins critical  $\Delta\chi^2$  values for 90% C.L.

CP conservation ( $\delta_{CP} = 0, \pi$ ) excluded at 90% C.L.

Toy MC: for NH and true  $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$  the probability for excluding  $\delta_{CP} = 0$  or  $\pi$  at 90% C.L. is 19.6% and 17.3% respectively

#### **90% Confidence Interval:**

δ<sub>CP</sub> = [-3.13, -0.39] assuming NH
 δ<sub>CP</sub> = [-2.09, -0.74] assuming IH

## Analysis Improvements

Development of new event reconstruction algorithm for SK

- Better  $\pi^0$  rejection (done)
- Better vertex resolution:

ICHEP 2016

- Fid. vol. cut from ID wall
  - $-2m \rightarrow 1m$  (being studied)
  - -~20% gain
- Better PID  $\rightarrow \pi/\mu$  separation in SK.







# Beam Upgrade



#### Secondary Beamline Upgrade Schedule



# T2K aim to reach the number of approved POT (7.8×10<sup>21</sup>) in ~2021.

# Begin phase II in ~2021 up to 2026, before expected start of Hyper-K (~2026)

#### Beam performance upgrades:

- Approved main ring power supply upgrade & horn current increase (250 kA → 320 kA) in 2018 → 750 kW
- Accelerator & beamline upgrade (double the spill frequency) in 2021 → 1.3 MW



## **T2K phase II (T2K-II)** Data Taking : 2020-2025



# Upgrading T2K: near detectors

- High stats of T2K-II motivate reduction of systematics
- T2K Task Force formed to improve existing ND280 detector
  - Active water detector elements
  - Expand phase space (high zenith-angle tracks)
  - Lower momentum thresholds
  - Third view of vertex detector





Active target with large angular acceptance (WAGASCI/3-axis FGD)

- Goal : CDR-like document describing the preferred configuration for an ND280 upgrade to be delivered Fall 2016
  - Based on a quantitative evaluation of the performance
- Boundaries : to be installed around 2020, within the ND280 pit, reusing the magnet facility





arXiv:1002.2680 [hep-ex]



Significant discrepancies on proton multiplicity and momentum distributions

Need low momentum thresholds to reduce xsec systematics

Important difference lie below threshold for liquid detectors



- •T2K has pioneered (~1 bar) gas TPCs for accelerator neutrinos
- •Need a path to high pressures for sufficient statistics
- Generic to next generation LBL experiments

Federico Sanchez talk

# Intermediate Detector (\* WP4)

## TITUS

- Located 2.5° off-axis in same direction as Tochibora at 1.8 km
- Gd-loading for neutron detection
- Magnetized muon range detector
- Long geometry for high momentum muon containments

## NuPRISM

- Tall detector covers 1.0°-4.0° off-axis angles for studying energy dependence of neutrino interactions
- Located at 1-1.2 km baseline

Process for a single detector design with off-axis spanning coverage and Gd-loading is started





# Far Detector Upgrade

- The reconstruction performance of Super-K is steadily improved.
  - $\cdot$  The FitQun program to reconstruct the Cherenkov rings. The  $\pi^0$ background in T2K was reduced to 1/3.
- The upgrade of Super-K (called SK-Gd) is under development to • improve the neutron detection capability that is used to identify anti-neutrino events. A 0.2% concentratio olinium will be dissolved in a Super-K tank if all the requ re cleared.
- **Physics Target** 
  - · Relic Supernova Neutrinos
  - · Neutrino versus Anti-neutrino Separation



# Thank you !



# New Horizontal TPCs

### **Resistive Bulk Micromegas**

• Several advantages (charge spread, intrinsic spark protection)



**NEXT STEPS** 

## ILC TPC R/O electronics



#### Very thin FieldCage

- ✓ Design Report of the ND280 upgrade by the end of the year
- ✓ 2017: detailed design of the detectors/setting up the project and funding
- ✓ 2017-18 Neutrino Platform tests (with HPTPC)
- ✓ 2018-2020 construction/installation



### **TITUS** Detector



## Gd Doping

• 0.1% Gd<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> allows tagging of final state nucleons





- Clear n signals can be modified by nuclear effects: re-scattering, charge exchange, and absorption in the nuclear media
- Statistical information remains powerful approach for H<sub>2</sub>O
- Cross section measurements







# **TPC** performances

- Three large TPC for the T2K near detector
- The first large TPC using MPGD
- ~9 m\*\*2 equipped with bulk Micromegas detect
- Playing a key role in the study of the neutrino fl interactions (charge, momentum and dE/dx PIE
- Space resolution : 0.6 mm
- Momentum res. 9% at 1 GeV
- dE/dx: 7.8 % (MIP)



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