Neutrino physics beyond oscillation measurements

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Present knowledge of neutrino parameters See Meloni's talk



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Parameter	Best fit	1σ range
$\delta m^2/10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ (NH or IH)}$	7.54	7.32 - 7.80
$\sin^2 \theta_{12} / 10^{-1}$ (NH or IH)	3.08	2.91 - 3.25
$\Delta m^2/10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ (NH)}$	2.44	2.38 - 2.52
$\Delta m^2 / 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ (IH)}$	2.40	2.33 - 2.47
$\sin^2 \theta_{13} / 10^{-2} \text{ (NH)}$	2.34	2.16 - 2.56
$\sin^2 \theta_{13} / 10^{-2} $ (IH)	2.39	2.18 - 2.60
$\sin^2 \theta_{23} / 10^{-1} \text{ (NH)}$	4.25	3.98 - 4.54
$\sin^2 \theta_{23} / 10^{-1} $ (IH)	4.37	$4.08 - 4.96 \oplus 5.31 - 6.10$
δ/π (NH)	1.39	1.12 - 1.72
δ/π (IH)	1.35	0.96 - 1.59

F. Capozzi et al., 1312.2878

With the discovery of theta13 and its subsequent accurate measurement, all oscillation parameters are known with very good precision, except for the mass hierarchy and the delta phase. One needs also to check the 3-neutrino paradigm

(not discussed) in view of LSND, MiniBooNE and the reactor anomaly.

Present status of (standard) neutrino physics

 $\Delta m_{\rm s}^2 \ll \Delta m_{\rm A}^2$ implies at least 3 massive neutrinos.



Measuring the masses requires: m_{\min} and the ordering .

Neutrino mixing

Mixing is described by the Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata matrix, which enters in the CC interactions



CPV is a fundamental question to answer, possibly related to the origin of the baryon asymmetry.

Nature of Neutrinos: Majorana vs Dirac

Neutrinos can be **Majorana** or **Dirac** particles. In the SM only neutrinos can be Majorana because they are neutral.

Majorana condition $\nu = C \bar{\nu}^T$

The **nature of neutrinos** is linked to the conservation of the **Lepton number (L)**.

 This is crucial information to understand the Physics BSM: with or without Lconservation?

 Lepton number violation is a necessary condition for Leptogenesis.

Phenomenology questions for the future

- I. What is the nature of neutrinos?
- 2. What are the values of the masses? Absolute scale (KATRIN, ...?) and the ordering.
- 3. Is there CP-violation? Its discovery in the next generation of LBL depends on the value of delta.
- 4. What are the precise values of mixing angles? Do they suggest a underlying pattern?
- 5. Is the standard picture correct? Are there NSI? Sterile neutrinos? Other effects?

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Absolute values of neutrino masses

Neutrino oscillations are not sensitive to the absolute mass scale. However, via matter effects they can establish the mass ordering.

- Direct mass searches in beta decays: modelindependent but feasible only for QD spectrum.
- Neutrinoless double beta decay: if dominant mechanism is light neutrino masses.
- Neutrino masses from cosmology by probing the DM distribution (observing the distribution of biased tracers and/or gravitational lensing)

Direct mass measurements

The electron spectrum in beta decays depends on neutrino masses as

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e} = \sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 \frac{d\Gamma_i}{dE_e}(m_i) \quad \text{with}$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma_i}{dE_e} = \mathcal{C}|M|^2 p_e(E_e + m_e)(E_e - E_0)\sqrt{(E_e - E_0)^2 - m_i^2}F(E_e)$$



$$m_{\beta} \sim \sqrt{|U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2} \sim m_0$$

C. Weinheimer, PNPP 2006

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 ³H beta decay experiments: Troitsk and Mainz. Use of tritium beta decay $E_0 = 18.58 \text{ keV}$ t = 12.3 yrs

They provide the most stringent limit (95% CL):

 $m_0 < 2.3 \text{ eV}$ $m_0 < 2.05 \text{ eV}$ Aseev et al., PRD 84

Kraus et al., EPJC 40

 ^{187}Re Searches with cryogenic bolometers using **MIBETA (Milano/Como):** $m_0 < 15.6 \text{ eV}$ at 90% C.L. Sisti et al., NIMA 520 $m_0 < 26 {
m ~eV}$ Gatti, NPB91 MANU:

MARE-I and MARE-2





KATRIN is in the commissioning phase. Data taking will start in late 2015. It will reach a sensitivity down to m<0.2 eV and a 5-sigma discovery of m=0.35 eV. Neutrinoless double beta decay, $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z+2) + 2 e$, will test the nature of neutrinos.



This process has a special role in the study of neutrino properties as it probes lepton number violation and can provide information on neutrino masses and (possibly) on CP-violation.

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The half-life time depends on neutrino properties

$$\left[\mathcal{T}_{0\nu}^{1/2} (0^+ \to 0^+) \right]^{-1} \propto |M_F - g_A^2 M_{GT}|^2 |<\!m>|^2$$

• $|\langle m \rangle| = m_{ee}$: the effective Majorana mass parameter



• $|M_F - g_A^2 M_{GT}|^2$: the nuclear matrix elements. They need to be computed theoretically.

Predictions for betabeta decay

The predictions for |<m>| depend on the neutrino mass spectrum

• NH (mI<<m2<<m3): $|<m>| \sim 2.5-3.9 \text{ meV}$ $|<m>| \sim \left|\sqrt{\Delta m_{\odot}^2}\cos^2\theta_{13}\sin^2\theta_{\odot} + \sqrt{\Delta m_{atm}^2}\sin^2\theta_{13}e^{i\alpha_{32}}\right|$

IH (m3<<m1~m2): 10 meV < |<m>| < 50 meV</p>

$$\sqrt{\Delta m_{\mathrm{atm}}^2} \cos 2\theta_{\odot} \le |<\!m>| \simeq \sqrt{\left(1-\!\sin^2 2\theta_{\odot} \sin^2 \frac{\alpha_{21}}{2}\right)} \Delta m_{\mathrm{atm}}^2 \le \sqrt{\Delta m_{\mathrm{atm}}^2}$$

QD (ml~m2~m3): 44 meV < |<m>| < m1</p>

$$|\langle m \rangle| \simeq m_{\bar{\nu}_e} \left| \left(\cos^2 \theta_{\odot} + \sin^2 \theta_{\odot} e^{i \alpha_{21}} \right) \cos^2 \theta_{13} + \sin^2 \theta_{13} e^{i \alpha_{31}} \right|$$

 $|\langle m \rangle| \sim (m_1) \cos^2 \theta_{12} + (m_2) \sin^2 \theta_{12} e^{i\alpha_{21}} + (m_3) \sin^2 \theta_{13} e^{i\alpha_{31}}|$



Wide experimental program for the future: a positive signal would indicate that L is violated!

Determining neutrino masses with neutrinoless dbeta decay



- If |<m>| > 0.2 eV, then the neutrino spectrum is QD.The measurement of m1 is entangled with the value of the Majorana phase.
- If no signal for |<m>|
 ~10 meV, then only NO is allowed.
 - If LBL experiments find IO, neutrino are Dirac particles (without finetuned cancellations).

Other mechanisms

Neutrinoless double beta decay can also be mediated by other LNV mechanisms.

- Light sterile neutrinos
- Heavy sterile neutrinos
- R-parity violating SUSY
- Extra dimensional models
- Left-Right models







Deppisch, Hirsch, Pas, 1208.0727

In most cases the new mechanisms (with heavy particles) are subdominant as the NME for heavy particles suppress their contribution.



http://www.th.mppmu.mpg.de/members/blennow/nme_mnu.dat_

The NME behaviour changes at $p \sim 100$ MeV, the scale of the process.

Experimental searches of betabeta decay

Neutrinoless double beta decay proceeds in nuclei in which single beta decay is kinematically forbidden but double beta decay $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A,$ Z+2) + 2 e + 2 v is allowed.





GERDA



KamLAND-Zen

EXO-200 location, at the WIPP Site, USA, 1585 m.w.e.

See talks by Agostini, di Domizio.

3/3/05 NEXA

The new generation of experiments is already taking data (EXO, KamLAND-ZEN, CUORE, GERDA,...) and more powerful ones are planned (e.g., NExT, SNO+, SuperNEMO, COBRA,...)!!



EXO-200 reported the first results summer 2012,T(0nu) >1.6 10^25 yrs for Xe136. First GERDA results: July 2013 1307.4720.



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The ultimate goal is to understand where do neutrino masses come from? why is there leptonic mixing? and what is at the origin of the observed structure?



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Open window on Physics beyond the SM

Neutrino physics gives a new perspective on physics BSM.

I. Origin of masses



2. Problem of flavour

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sim 1 & \lambda & \lambda^{3} \\ \lambda & \sim 1 & \lambda^{2} \\ \lambda^{3} & \lambda^{2} & \sim 1 \end{pmatrix} \lambda \sim 0.2$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 & 0.16 \\ -0.4 & 0.5 & -0.7 \\ -0.4 & 0.5 & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Why do neutrinos have mass? and why are they so much lighter? Why leptonic mixing is so different from quark mixing?

This information is **complementary** with the one which comes from flavour physics experiments and from colliders.

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The new Standard Model will contain new particles at a new physics scale new interactions.

Coupling with the dark sector. Neutrinos can be a portal to new physics:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\nu} = y \ \bar{L} \cdot H \ \mathbf{new}$$



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See-saw type I models can be embedded in GUT theories and can also explain the baryon asymmetry via leptogenesis.

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- Gauge B-L: $pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow N N$
- See-saw type II: Scalar Triplets
- Triplet see-saw.
- Left-Right models via WR
- Inverse or extended see-saw models
- R-parity violating SUSY

TeV

GUT scale

Establishing the origin of neutrino masses requires to have as much information as possible about the masses and to combine it with other signatures of the models (proton decay, LHC searches...). CLFV plays a special role.

GeV



Many models of neutrino masses give raise to sizable LFV: models at the TeV scale with large mixing (e.g. Inverse seesaw), Radiative neutrino mass models, SUSY GUT see-saw models, Extra D, extra Higgs etc.

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sub-eV

keV

eV

MeV

Conclusions



The discovery of neutrino oscillations has opened a new perspective: neutrino have masses and mix implying new physics beyond the Standard Model of Particle Physics.

A wide experimental programme is taking place: in addition to oscillation experiments, direct mass searches and neutrinoless double beta decay experiments.

The ultimate goal is to understand the origin of neutrino masses (and the new physics scale) and of mixing.

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In the Early Universe



As the temperature drops, only quarks are left:

$$Y_B = \frac{n_B}{n_\gamma} = (6.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-10}$$

The excess of quarks can be explained by **Leptogenesis** (Fukugita, Yanagida): the heavy N responsible for neutrino masses generate a lepton asymmetry.



Observing L violation and CPV would constitute a strong hint in favour of leptogenesis as the origin of the baryon asymmetry.

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The problem of flavour

Mixing in the leptonic sector is very different from the quark one: angles are large (even θ_{13} !) and there can be new sources of CP-violation. Neutrinos provide a different perspective on the flavour problem.



Why three generations?

Why the angles have the values measured?

What is the origin of CPV?

Various approaches can be adopted: Flavour symmetries; Anarchy; Quark-lepton complementarity...

It is crucial to measure with precision the mixing parameters to unveil any underlying pattern.

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