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Daya Bay Experiment and the Neutrino Physics in China

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Neutrino Oscillation

If the neutrino mass eigenstate is different from that of the weak interaction, neutrinos can oscillate: from one type to another during the flight:



- > Known parameters: θ_{23} , θ_{12} , $|\Delta M^2_{23}|$, ΔM^2_{12} ,
- **Recent progress:** θ_{13}

2014/5/24 Unknown parameters: mass hierarchy(ΔM^2_{23}), CP phase δ

Direct Searches in the Past



Reactor Experiments: comparing observed/expected neutrinos



Precision of past experiments, typically 3-6%

- Reactor power: ~ 1%
- **Spectrum:** ~ 0.3%
- Fission rate: 2%
- Backgrounds: ~1-3%

Our design goal: a precision of ~ 0.4%

Daya Bay Experiment: Layout



- Relative measurement to cancel Corr. Syst. Err.
 - ⇒ 2 near sites, 1 far site
- Multiple AD modules at each site to reduce Uncorr. Syst. Err.
 - ⇒ Far: 4 modules, near: 2 modules
 Cross check; Reduce errors by 1/√N
- Multiple muon detectors to reduce veto eff. uncertainties
 - ➡ Water Cherenkov: 2 layers
 - ⇒ **RPC:** 4 layers at the top + telescopes

Tunnel and Underground Lab

大亚湾反应堆中微子实验站隧道 及实验厅洞室布置示意图









A total of ~ 3000 blasting right next reactors. No one exceeds safety limit set by National Nuclear Safety Agency (0.007g)

2014/5/24

Experimental Hall in Operation



Daya Baye Bay: Data taking & analysis status

Two detector comparison [1202.6181]

- 90 days of data, Daya Bay near only
- NIM A 685 (2012), 78-97

First oscillation analysis

- [1203:1669]
- 55 days of data, 6 ADs near+far
- PRL 108 (2012), 171803

Improved oscillation analysis [1210.6327]

- 139 days of data, 6 ADs near+far
- CP C **37** (2013), 011001

Spectral Analysis arXiv:1310.6732

- 217 days complete 6 AD period
- 55% more statistics than CPC result
- Reported at NuFACT'2013, paper submitted



Neutrino Event Selection

Pre-selection

- → Reject Flashers
- ⇒ Reject Triggers within (-2 μs, 200 μs) to a tagged water pool muon
- Neutrino event selection
 - ⇒ Multiplicity cut
 - \checkmark Prompt-delayed pairs within a time interval of 200 µs
 - ✓ No triggers(E > 0.7 MeV) before the prompt signal and after the delayed signal by 200 µs
 - ⇒ Muon veto
 - ✓ *Is* after an AD shower muon
 - ✓ *1ms* after an AD muon
 - ✓ *0.6ms* after an WP muon
 - \Rightarrow 0.7MeV < E_{prompt} < 12.0MeV
 - \Rightarrow 6.0MeV < E_{delayed} < 12.0MeV
 - $\Rightarrow \quad 1\mu s < \Delta t_{e^+-n} < 200\mu s$



Daily Neutrino Rate

- Three halls taking data synchronously allows near-far cancellation of reactor related uncertainties
- Rate changes reflect the reactor on/off.



The Most Precise Neutrino Experiment

Detector			
	Efficiency	Correlated	Uncorrelated
Target Protons		0.47%	0.03%
Flasher cut	99.98%	0.01%	0.01%
Delayed energy cut	90.9%	0.6%	0.12%
Prompt energy cut	99.88%	0.10%	0.01%
Multiplicity cut		0.02%	$<\!0.01\%$
Capture time cut	98.6%	0.12%	0.01%
Gd capture ratio	83.8%	0.8%	$<\!0.1\%$
Spill-in	105.0%	1.5%	0.02%
Livetime	100.0%	0.002%	${<}0.01\%$
Combined	78.8%	1.9%	0.2%
Reacto Design: (0.18 - 0.38) %			
Correlated		Uncorrelated	
Energy/fission	0.2%	Power	0.5%
$\overline{\nu}_{e}$ /fission	3%	Fission fract	ion 0.6%
		Spent fuel	0.3%
Combined	3%	Combined	0.8%

Side-by-side Comparison



Expectation: R(AD1/AD2) = 0.981Measurement: $0.984 \pm 0.004(stat) \pm$ 0.002(syst)

Latest Results: Spectral Analysis



- Each energy bin is an oscillation measurement
- Precise energy measurement is a key
- Issues of non-linearity...



Energy Response Model

Mapping the true energy E_{true} to the reconstructed kinetic energy E_{rec} :

 $f = \frac{E_{\text{rec}}}{E_{\text{true}}} = \frac{E_{\text{rec}}}{E_{\text{vis}}} \cdot \frac{E_{\text{vis}}}{E_{\text{true}}}$ 1 Electronics non-linearity
2 Scintillator non-linearity
Gamma Sources

arXiv:1310.6732

- Build models taking into account:
 - Electronics non-linearity: timedependent charge collection efficiency
 - Scintillator non-linearity: Quench effect & Cerenkov radiation
 - Complicated e⁺,e⁻, γ's interactions in LS, from simulation
- Constraint parameters by a fit to
 - all calibration data
 - Standalone measurement on
 - scintillator quenching using compton eand n beams
 - Calibrate readout electronics by Flash ADC





Energy Resolution Model



Daya Bay Global Comparison of θ_{13} Measurements



The three reactor experiments will work together to report results ina coherent way, and probably can report a combined result.

Current status and future plan

- Summer(2012) maintenance completed
 - ➡ Two new AD modules installed
 - Special Automatic & Manual calibration completed
- Data taking resumed in Oct.
 Precision results in three years, Δ(sin²2θ₁₃) ~ 4%





Still a lot of unknowns

Neutrino oscillation:

- ⇒ Neutrino mass hierarchy ?
- ⇒ Unitarity of neutrino mixing matrix ?
- $\Rightarrow \Theta_{23}$ is maximized ?
- ▷ CP violation in the neutrino mixing matrix as in the case of quarks ? Large enough for the matter-antimatter asymmetry in the Universe ?
- What is the absolute neutrino mass ?
- Neutrinos are Dirac or Majorana ?
- Are there sterile neutrinos?
- Do neutrinos have magnetic moments ?
- Can we detect relic neutrinos ?



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Next Experiment: JUNO

	Daya Bay	Huizhou	Lufeng	Yangjiang	Taishan
Status	Operational	Planned	Planned	Under construction	Under construction
Power	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	17.4 GW	18.4 GW



Mass Hierarchy at Reactors



$$\begin{split} \Delta m_{31}^2 &= \Delta m_{32}^2 + \Delta m_{21}^2 \\ \text{NH}: \ |\Delta m_{31}^2| &= |\Delta m_{32}^2| + |\Delta m_{21}^2| \\ \text{IH}: \ |\Delta m_{31}^2| &= |\Delta m_{32}^2| - |\Delta m_{21}^2| \end{split}$$



L. Zhan et al., PRD78:111103,2008; PRD79:073007,2009

The plan: a large LS detector

LS volume: × 20→ for more mass & statistics
 light(PE) × 5→ for resolution

40 events/day



Physics Reach

Thanks to a large θ_{13}

- Mass hierarchy
- Precision measurement of mixing parameters
- Supernova neutrinos
- Geoneutrinos

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• Sterile neutrinos

	Current	Daya Bay II
Δm_{12}^2	3%	0.6%
Δm_{23}^2	5%	0.6%
$sin^2\theta_{12}$	5%	0.7%
$\sin^2\theta_{23}$	5%	N/A
$\sin^2\theta_{13}$	14% → 4%	~ 15%

Detector size: 20kt Energy resolution: 3%/√E Thermal power: 36 GW



For 6 years, mass hierarchy can be determined at 4σ level, if $\Delta m^2_{\mu\mu}$ can be determined at 1% level

<u>Central Detector</u>

Some basic numbers:

- ⇒ 20 kt liquid scintillator as the target
- ⇒ Signal event rate: 40/day
- ⇒ Backgrounds with 700 m overburden:
 - ✓ Accidentals(~10%), ⁹Li/⁸He(<1%), fast neutros(<1%)

• A huge detector in a water pool:

- Default option: acrylic tank(D~35m) + SS structure
- Backup option: SS tank(D~38m) + acrylic structure + balloon

Issues:

- ⇒ Engineering: mechanics, safety, lifetime, ...
- → Physics: cleanness, light collection, ...
- → Assembly & installation
- Design & prototyping underway





Liquid Scintillator

Requirements:

- ➡ Low background: → No Gd-loading
- ➡ Long attenuation length: 15m → 30m
 - ✓ Improve raw materials
 - ✓ Improve the production process
 - ✓ Purification
- High light yield: optimize fluor concentration

Current Choice: LAB+PPO+BisMSB



Linear Alky Benzene	Atte. L(m) @ 430 nm
RAW	14.2
Vacuum distillation	19.5
SiO ₂ coloum	18.6
Al ₂ O ₃ coloum	22.3
LAB from Nanjing, Raw	20
Al ₂ O ₃ coloum, fourth time	27
Al ₂ O ₃ coloum, second time	25
Al ₂ O ₃ coloum, 8 th time	24

High QE PMT

- Two types of high QE 20"PMTs under development:
 - ⇒ Hammamatzu R5912-100 with SBA photocathode
 - A new design using MCP: 4π collection
- MCP-PMT development:
 - ⇒ Technical issues mostly resolved
 - ⇒ Successful 8" prototypes
 - ⇒ 20" prototypes soon





Muon VETO detector



The OPERA Target Tracker in JUNO



2x31 Target Tracker x-y walls (4.5 M€)

TT dismounting schedule

- Dismounting schedule:
 - mid-2015: first OPERA super module (31 TT walls, 248 modules)
 - beginning 2016: second OPERA super module (31 TT walls, 248 modules)
 - storage of all TT modules in Gran Sasso in containers up to the moment all dismounting is finished
 - send all TT containers (10) to Kaiping ~Spring 2016 if storage buildings already available
- Mounting in JUNO: ~2019



Civil Construction



Layout



Current Status & Brief Schedule

- Project approved by CAS for R&D and design
- Geological survey completed
 - ⇒ Granite rock, tem. ~ 31 °C, little water
- Engineering design underway
- Detector design and R&D underway
- International Collaboration: China, Czech, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, US, ...

Schedule:

Civil preparation: 2013-2014 Civil construction: 2014-2017 Detector R&D: 2013-2016 Detector component production: 2016-2017 PMT production: 2016-2019 Detector assembly & installation: 2018-2019 Filling & data taking: 2020



Summary

- Neutrino physics is very exciting
- We know θ_{13} now
- We will soon know mass hierarchy



A New Type of Neutrino Beam for CP (MOMENT)



Comparison

	v Factory	Super pi beam	MOMENT
Neutrino energy	2-4 GeV	0.3-0.7, 2-4 GeV	300 MeV
Neutrino source	Muon decay	Pi decay	Muon decay
Beam backgrounds	no	high	low
Neutrino flux	10 ²¹ /year	10 ¹⁸⁻²¹ /year	5×10 ²¹ /year
Proton driver	Pulsed 8-16 GeV 4 MW	Pulsed 5-400 GeV 1-5 MW	CW 1.5 GeV 15 MW
Target	Mercury	Mercury	?
Collection	Horn	Horn	SC magnet
Decay pipe	Storage ring	Vacuum pipe	SC magnet
cooling	yes	Νο	No
Muon acceleration	yes	Νο	Νο
cost	High	low	low

Best energy for CP ?

- Below in-elastic threshold: ~ 300 MeV → baseline = 150 km
- Such a threshold is similar for CC/NC & v/vbar
- Although we loose statistics due to the lower cross section, but we have less systematics by being π^0 free



Target Tracker

(Bern, Brussels, CERN, Dubna, Neuch âtel, Orsay, Strasbourg)



The TT in JUNO (motivation)

- OPERA TT will be a very good tracker for JUNO
 - Strip width is 2.63 cm, with a position resolution ~ 7.8 mm
 - Many layers can be used for cosmic muon tracking
 - Will give better precision than JUNO water pool (WP) and anti-neutrino detector (AD).
- The addition of top tracker (TT) above AD and WP can help to do many physics studies
 - Measure precisely the muon angle distribution
 - Verify the muon reconstruction with the rest of the JUNO detector
 - Monitor WP or AD running stability
 - Measure neutron background muon distance in AD (more precisely than WP or AD)
 - Measure rock neutrons (placed at the edges to measure rock neutron background and then deduce the whole rock neutron background for JUNO)
 - Measure ⁹Li/⁸He background.
 - ⁹Li/⁸He production is the main background source for mass hierarchy measurement in JUNO.
 - Partly measurement of ⁹Li/⁸He background produced in AD
 - Partly measurement of ⁹Li/⁸He background produced in water pool
- The TT will also help to simulate the cosmogenic background

Possible Configuration of the Top Tracker

- 56 x-y walls (6.7m × 6.7m each)
- 14 TT stations, 4 walls each.
- each station is composed of 2 layers of 2 TT walls separated by 4 m distance.
- Distance of lowest and upper wall: 4 m
- Distance of lowest plane from water pool: 1 m.
- Different configurations (Middle, Rectangle, Around)
- Covered area is about 630m².









Building Non-Linearity Models

- Method 1:
 - All parameters determined by simultaneous fit
- Method 2
 - Birks constant and Cherenkov contribution by bench measurements
 - ➡ Electronics response from quadratic fit to gamma data
- Method 3
 - ⇒ Birks constant by bench measurements
 - \Rightarrow Cherenkov and electronics from exponential fit to all 4 + spectra





Prompt IBD spectra (~E,)



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Pure Spectral Analysis



 θ_{13} = 0 can be excluded at > 3 σ from spectral information alone

For each AD, total event prediction fixed to observed data:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \hline 1 & \theta_{13} \mbox{ free-floating:} & \chi^2 / N_{\text{DoF}} = 161.2/148 \\ \hline 2 & \theta_{13} = 0 \mbox{:} & \chi^2 / N_{\text{DoF}} = 178.5/146 \\ \hline \Rightarrow & \Delta \chi^2 / N_{\text{DoF}} = 17.3/2 \mbox{, corresponding to } p = 1.75 \cdot 10^{-4} \end{array}$$



Rate+Spectra Oscillation Results



Readout Electronics and Trigger

Charge and timing info. from 1 GHz FADC

	Total No. channel	20,000
	Event rate	~ 50 KHz
	Charge precision	1 – 100 PE: 0.1 – 1 PE; 100-4000PE: 1-40PE
	Noise	0.1 PE
Ъ	Timing	0-2us: ~ 100 ps
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An option to have a box in water:

- ~100 ch. per box
- Changeable in water
- Global trigger on surface

Interests from APC & others

JUNO-FR: APC+Omega+Subatech laboratories...

•France: 3 laboratories so far (not coming from OPERA) [see OPERA slides]

•APC (Paris): A. Cabrera + H. de Kerret [Double Chooz]

- •Omega (Paris): C. de la Taille [ASIC development→ many application]
- •**Subatech** (Nantes): F.Yermia [Solid/Double Chooz/<u>Nucifer</u>]

•relevant expertise towards JUNO...

•Double Chooz experience [APC + Subatech]

• expertise on detector, systematics, energy, backgrounds, MC, etc.

electronics + online systems expertise [Omega+APC]

- •(Omega) ASIC development: electronics for many experiments (CERN, etc)
- •(APC) Double Chooz FADC electronics (with CAEN) and DAQ

reactor flux expertise [Subatech+APC]

•world's unique knowledge/techniques on reactor flux systematics (→Double Chooz input)

•possible involvement in JUNO...

- •DAQ's "event builder farm(s)" (à la SK-IV) + data-monitoring [APC+<u>Subatech</u>]
- reactor flux systematics (AREVA reactors)→ solar high precision measurements [Subatech+APC]
- •electronics design [Omega+APC in tight collaboration with Aachen+Jüllich]

•(beyond OPERA) tight partnership by 3 laboratories in France→ more members are welcome!

DAQ and Detector Monitoring

