Neutrino Masses

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Fermion Mass Spectrum



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Standard Model: Massless Neutrinos $\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{v}$ left-handed neutrino V > v $\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{v}$ $\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{v}$

Standard Model: $\nu_L \implies$ no Dirac mass term $\mathcal{L}^{D} = -m^{D} \left(\overline{\nu_R} \nu_L + \overline{\nu_L} \nu_R \right) \qquad (no \ \nu_R)$

Majorana Neutrino: $\nu = \nu^c \Longrightarrow \nu_R = \nu_L^c \Longrightarrow$ Majorana mass term

$$\mathcal{L}^{\mathsf{M}} = -\frac{1}{2}m^{\mathsf{M}}\left(\overline{\nu_{L}^{\mathsf{c}}}\nu_{L} + \overline{\nu_{L}}\nu_{L}^{\mathsf{c}}\right)$$

Standard Model: Majorana mass term not allowed by $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ (no Higgs triplet)

Extension of the SM: Massive Neutrinos

Standard Model can be extended with ν_R

Dirac neutrino mass term $\mathcal{L}^{D} = -m^{D} \left(\overline{\nu_{R}} \nu_{L} + \overline{\nu_{L}} \nu_{R} \right) \Rightarrow m^{D} \lesssim 100 \text{ GeV}$ surprise: Majorana neutrino mass for ν_{R} is allowed!

$$\mathcal{L}_{R}^{\mathsf{M}} = -\frac{1}{2}m_{R}^{\mathsf{M}}\left(\overline{\nu_{R}^{\mathsf{c}}}\nu_{R} + \overline{\nu_{R}}\nu_{R}^{\mathsf{c}}\right)$$

total neutrino mass term $\mathcal{L}^{D+M} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu_L^c} & \overline{\nu_R} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m^D \\ m^D & m^M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \nu_R^c \end{pmatrix} + \text{H.c.}$

 m_R^{M} can be arbitrarily large (not protected by SM symmetries) $m_R^{M} \sim$ scale of new physics beyond Standard Model $\Rightarrow m_R^{M} \gg m^{D}$

diagonalization of
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & m^{D} \\ m^{D} & m^{M}_{R} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow m_{\ell} \simeq \frac{(m^{D})^{2}}{m^{M}_{R}}, \quad m_{h} \simeq m^{M}_{R}$$

natural explanation of smallness of light neutrino masses

massive neutrinos are Majorana!

3-GEN \Rightarrow effective low-energy 3- ν mixing

[Minkowski, PLB 67 (1977) 42]

[Yanagida (1979); Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky (1979); Mohapatra, Senjanovic, PRL 44 (1980) 912]

see-saw mechanism

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Three-Neutrino Mixing

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \sim \left(\overline{\nu_e} \quad \overline{\nu_{\mu}} \quad \overline{\nu_{\tau}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} m_{ee} & m_{e\mu} & m_{e\tau} \\ m_{\mu e} & m_{\mu\mu} & m_{\mu\tau} \\ m_{\tau e} & m_{\tau\mu} & m_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{diagonalization of mass matrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \nu_\alpha = \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{\alpha k} \nu_k & (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau) \\ \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \sim \left(\overline{\nu_1} \quad \overline{\nu_2} \quad \overline{\nu_3} \right) \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{k=1}^3 m_k \overline{\nu_k} \nu_k$$

Neutrino Oscillations

- ▶ 1957: Bruno Pontecorvo proposed Neutrino Oscillations in analogy with $K^0 \leftrightarrows \bar{K}^0$ oscillations (Gell-Mann and Pais, 1955)
- Flavor Neutrinos: ν_e , ν_μ , ν_τ produced in Weak Interactions
- ▶ Massive Neutrinos: ν_1 , ν_2 , ν_3 propagate from Source to Detector
- A Flavor Neutrino is a superposition of Massive Neutrinos

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu_e\rangle &= U_{e1} \left|\nu_1\right\rangle + U_{e2} \left|\nu_2\right\rangle + U_{e3} \left|\nu_3\right\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle &= U_{\mu1} \left|\nu_1\right\rangle + U_{\mu2} \left|\nu_2\right\rangle + U_{\mu3} \left|\nu_3\right\rangle \\ |\nu_\tau\rangle &= U_{\tau1} \left|\nu_1\right\rangle + U_{\tau2} \left|\nu_2\right\rangle + U_{\tau3} \left|\nu_3\right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

U is the 3 × 3 Neutrino Mixing Matrix

 $|
u(t=0)
angle = |
u_e
angle = U_{e1} |
u_1
angle + U_{e2} |
u_2
angle + U_{e3} |
u_3
angle$



$$\begin{split} |\nu(t>0)\rangle &= U_{e1}\,e^{-iE_1t}\,|\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2}\,e^{-iE_2t}\,|\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3}\,e^{-iE_3t}\,|\nu_3\rangle \neq |\nu_e\rangle \\ \text{at the detector there is a probability } > 0 \text{ to see the neutrino as a }\nu_\mu \end{split}$$

Neutrino Oscillations are Flavor Transitions

$$\begin{split} \nu_{e} &\to \nu_{\mu} & \nu_{e} \to \nu_{\tau} & \nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{e} & \nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{\tau} \\ \bar{\nu}_{e} &\to \bar{\nu}_{\mu} & \bar{\nu}_{e} \to \bar{\nu}_{\tau} & \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \to \bar{\nu}_{e} & \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \to \bar{\nu}_{\tau} \\ & \Delta L_{e}, \Delta L_{\mu}, \Delta L_{\tau} = \pm 1 & \Delta L = 0 \end{split}$$

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Two-Neutrino Mixing and Oscillations

$$|\nu_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{2} U_{\alpha k} |\nu_{k}\rangle \qquad (\alpha = e, \mu)$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\vartheta & \sin\vartheta \\ -\sin\vartheta & \cos\vartheta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\nu_{e}\rangle = \cos\vartheta |\nu_{1}\rangle + \sin\vartheta |\nu_{2}\rangle \\ |\nu_{\mu}\rangle = -\sin\vartheta |\nu_{1}\rangle + \cos\vartheta |\nu_{2}\rangle$$

$$\Delta m^2 \equiv \Delta m_{21}^2 \equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2$$

Transition Probability:

$$P_{\nu_e \to \nu_\mu} = P_{\nu_\mu \to \nu_e} = \sin^2 2\vartheta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}\right)$$

 ν_2

Survival Probabilities: $P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} = P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = 1 - P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu}$

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Experimental Evidences of Neutrino Oscillations



Two scales of Δm^2 : $\Delta m^2_{\sf ATM} \simeq 30 \, \Delta m^2_{\sf SOL}$

Large mixings: $\vartheta_{\text{ATM}} \simeq 45^{\circ}$, $\vartheta_{\text{SOL}} \simeq 34^{\circ}$

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Three-Neutrino Mixing Paradigm

$$u_{\alpha L} = \sum_{k=1}^{3} U_{\alpha k} \, \nu_{kL} \qquad (\alpha = e, \mu, \tau)$$

three flavor fields: ν_e , ν_μ , ν_τ

three massive fields: ν_1 , ν_2 , ν_3

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 + \Delta m_{32}^2 + \Delta m_{31}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 + m_3^2 - m_2^2 + m_1^2 - m_3^2 = 0$$

$$\Delta m^2_{
m SOL} = \Delta m^2_{
m 21} \simeq (7.6 \pm 0.2) imes 10^{-5} \, {
m eV}^2$$

 $\Delta m^2_{
m ATM} \simeq |\Delta m^2_{
m 31}| \simeq |\Delta m^2_{
m 32}| \simeq (2.4 \pm 0.1) imes 10^{-3} \, {
m eV}^2$

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Allowed Three-Neutrino Schemes



Mixing Matrix



SOLAR AND ATMOSPHERIC ν OSCILLATIONS ARE PRACTICALLY DECOUPLED!



[Chooz, PLB 466 (1999) 415] [Palo Verde, PRD 64 (2001) 112001]

$$\begin{split} |U_{e1}|^2 &\simeq \cos^2 \vartheta_{\text{SOL}} & |U_{e2}|^2 &\simeq \sin^2 \vartheta_{\text{SOL}} \\ |U_{\mu3}|^2 &\simeq \sin^2 \vartheta_{\text{ATM}} & |U_{\tau3}|^2 &\simeq \cos^2 \vartheta_{\text{ATM}} \end{split}$$

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$$U^{\mathrm{D}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{\vartheta_{12}} \simeq \vartheta_{\mathrm{SOL}}$$

$$\begin{split} \Delta m^2_{21} &= \left(7.65^{+0.23}_{-0.20}\right) \times 10^{-5} \,\mathrm{eV}^2 \qquad |\Delta m^2_{31}| = \left(2.40^{+0.12}_{-0.11}\right) \times 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{eV}^2 \\ &\sin^2 \vartheta_{12} = 0.304^{+0.022}_{-0.016} \qquad \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} = 0.50^{+0.07}_{-0.06} \\ & \text{[Schwetz, Tortola, Valle, arXiv:1108.1376]} \end{split}$$

6 days ago: $\sin^2 \vartheta_{13} = 0.023 \pm 0.004$

[Daya Bay, arXiv:1203.1669]

Previous indications of $\sin^2 \vartheta_{13} > 0$: [T2K, arXiv:1106.2822], [MINOS, arXiv:1108.0015], [Double Chooz, arXiv:1112.6353]

 $\vartheta_{13} \neq 0 \implies CP$ violation, matter effects, mass hierarchy

Absolute Scale of Neutrino Masses

normal scheme

inverted scheme



Quasi-Degenerate for $m_1\simeq m_2\simeq m_3\simeq m_
u\gg \sqrt{\Delta m_{\rm ATM}^2}\simeq 5 imes 10^{-2}\,{\rm eV}$

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• Tritium Beta-Decay $m_{\beta}^2 = \sum_k |U_{ek}|^2 m_k^2$

 $m_eta < 2.2 \,\mathrm{eV}$ (95% C.L.) Mainz & Troitsk [hep-ex/0210050] KATRIN sensitivity: $m_eta \simeq 0.2 \,\mathrm{eV}$ [hep-ex/0109033, hep-ex/0309007]

• Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay m_{β}

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_{k} U_{ek}^2 m_k$$

 $|m_{etaeta}|\lesssim 0.3-0.7\,{
m eV}$ (90% C.L.) CUORICINO [arXiv:1012.3266]

Cosmology

$$\sum_{k=1}^{3}m_k \lesssim 0.2 - 0.6\,\mathrm{eV}$$
 (95% C.L.) [hep-ph/0805.2517, arXiv:1006.3795]

Anomalies Beyond 3- ν Mixing

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LSND

[LSND, PRL 75 (1995) 2650; PRC 54 (1996) 2685; PRL 77 (1996) 3082; PRD 64 (2001) 112007]

 $\bar{
u}_{\mu}
ightarrow \bar{
u}_{e}$ $L \simeq 30 \,\mathrm{m}$

Beam Excess

 $20 \,\mathrm{MeV} \le E \le 200 \,\mathrm{MeV}$



 $\Delta m^2_{\text{LSND}} \gtrsim 0.2 \, \text{eV}^2 \quad (\gg \Delta m^2_{\text{ATM}} \gg \Delta m^2_{\text{SOL}})$

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MiniBooNE Antineutrinos

[PRL 103 (2009) 111801; PRL 105 (2010) 181801]

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u}_{\mu}
ightarrow ar{
u}_{e} \qquad L \simeq 541 \,\mathrm{m}$





Agreement with LSND $ar
u_\mu o ar
u_e$ signal!

Similar L/E but different L and $E \implies$ Oscillations!

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Reactor Antineutrino Anomaly

[Mention et al, PRD 83 (2011) 073006, arXiv:1101.2755]



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Gallium Anomaly

Gallium Radioactive Source Experiments

Tests of the solar neutrino detectors GALLEX (Cr1, Cr2) and SAGE (Cr, Ar)

 $\begin{array}{ll} \nu_{e} \mbox{ Sources: } e^{-} + {}^{51}\mbox{Cr} \rightarrow {}^{51}\mbox{V} + \nu_{e} & e^{-} + {}^{37}\mbox{Ar} \rightarrow {}^{37}\mbox{Cl} + \nu_{e} \\ \\ \mbox{ Detection Process: } & \nu_{e} + {}^{71}\mbox{Ga} \rightarrow {}^{71}\mbox{Ge} + e^{-} \end{array}$



[SAGE, PRC 73 (2006) 045805, nucl-ex/0512041]

 $\langle L \rangle_{\text{GALLEX}} = 1.9 \,\text{m}$ $\langle L \rangle_{\text{SAGE}} = 0.6 \,\text{m}$

$$R^{\rm Ga} = 0.76^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$$

[Giunti, Laveder, PRC 83 (2011) 065504, arXiv:1006.3244]

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Beyond Three-Neutrino Mixing



Sterile Neutrinos

• Light anti- ν_R are called sterile neutrinos

 $\nu_R^c \rightarrow \nu_{sL}$ (left-handed)

- Sterile means no standard model interactions
- Active neutrinos $(\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau)$ can oscillate into sterile neutrinos (ν_s)
- Observables:
 - Disappearance of active neutrinos (neutral current deficit)
 - Indirect evidence through combined fit of data (current indication)
- Powerful window on new physics beyond the Standard Model
- Unfortunately such light sterile neutrinos are Hot Dark Matter

Cosmology

- N_s = number of thermalized sterile neutrinos (not necessarily integer)
- ▶ CMB and LSS in ACDM: $N_s = 1.3 \pm 0.9$ $m_s < 0.66 \,\text{eV}$ (95% C.L.)

[Hamann, Hannestad, Raffelt, Tamborra, Wong, PRL 105 (2010) 181301, arXiv:1006.5276]

 $N_s = 1.61 \pm 0.92$ $m_s < 0.70 \, \text{eV}$ (95% C.L.)

[Giusarma, Corsi, Archidiacono, de Putter, Melchiorri, Mena, Pandolfi, PRD 83 (2011) 115023, arXiv:1102.4774]

 $N_{s}=1.12^{+0.86}_{-0.74}~(95\%~{
m C.L.})~$ [Archidiacono, Calabrese, Melchiorri, PRD 84 (2011) 123008, arXiv:1109.2767]

 $\blacktriangleright \text{ BBN: } \begin{cases} N_s = 0.22 \pm 0.59 & \text{[Cyburt, Fields, Olive, Skillman, AP 23 (2005) 313, astro-ph/0408033]} \\ N_s = 0.64^{+0.40}_{-0.35} & \text{[Izotov, Thuan, ApJL 710 (2010) L67, arXiv:1001.4440]} \\ N_s \leq 1 \text{ at } 95\% \text{ C.L. } & \text{[Mangano, Serpico, PLB 701 (2011) 296, arXiv:1103.1261]} \end{cases}$

• CMB+LSS+BBN: $N_s = 0.85^{+0.39}_{-0.56}$ (95% C.L.)

[Hamann, Hannestad, Raffelt, Wong, JCAP 1109 (2011) 034, arXiv:1108.4136]

Effective SBL Oscillation Probabilities in 3+1 Schemes

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}} = \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}\right)$$

 $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\alpha\beta} = 4|U_{\alpha4}|^2|U_{\beta4}|^2$

No CP Violation!

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Disappearance Constraints



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<u>3+1</u>

• ν_e disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 \left(1 - |U_{e4}|^2\right) \simeq 4|U_{e4}|^2$$

• ν_{μ} disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} = 4|U_{\mu4}|^2 \left(1 - |U_{\mu4}|^2\right) \simeq 4|U_{\mu4}|^2$$

• $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu} = 4|U_{e4}|^2|U_{\mu4}|^2 \simeq \frac{1}{4}\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee}\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu}$$

► Upper bounds on $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee}$ and $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} \implies$ strong limit on $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu}$ [Okada, Yasuda, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A12 (1997) 3669-3694, arXiv:hep-ph/9606411] [Bilenky, Giunti, Grimus, Eur. Phys. J. C1 (1998) 247, arXiv:hep-ph/9607372]

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- ▶ 3+1: Appearance-Disappearance tension
- ► 3+2: same tension [Kopp, Maltoni, Schwetz, arXiv:1103.4570], [Giunti, Laveder, arXiv:1107.1452]
- ► Tension reduced in 3+1+NSI [Akhmedov, Schwetz, JHEP 10 (2010) 115, arXiv:1007.4171]
- ► No tension in 3+1+CPTV

[Barger, Marfatia, Whisnant, PLB 576 (2003) 303] [Giunti, Laveder, PRD 82 (2010) 093016, PRD 83 (2011) 053006]

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Conclusions

 $u_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta m_{\text{SOL}}^2 \simeq 7.6 \times 10^{-5} \,\text{eV}^2 \quad [\text{SOL, KamLAND}]$ $u_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta m_{\text{ATM}}^2 \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \,\text{eV}^2 \quad [\text{ATM, K2K, MINOS}]$ $\sin^2 \vartheta_{12} \simeq 0.3 \quad \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} \simeq 0.5 \quad \sin^2 \vartheta_{13} \simeq 0.02 \quad [\text{Daya Bay}]$ $\beta \& \beta \beta_{0\nu} \quad \text{Decay and Cosmology} \implies m_{\nu} \lesssim 1 \,\text{eV}$

To Do Theory: Why lepton mixing \neq quark mixing? (Due to Majorana nature of ν 's?) Why $0 < \sin^2 \vartheta_{13} \ll \sin^2 \vartheta_{12} < \sin^2 \vartheta_{23} \simeq 0.5$? Exp.&Pheno.: Measure CP violation, matter effects, mass hierarchy. Find absolute mass scale. Understand anomalies and find if sterile neutrinos exist.