

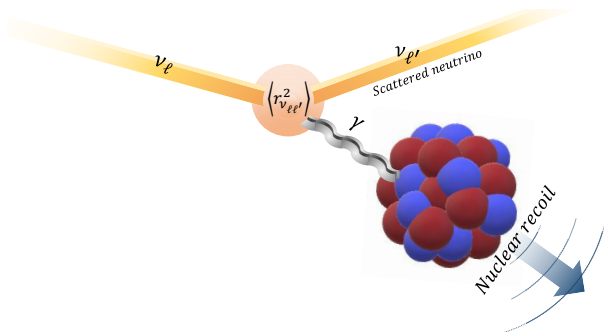
# New physics with coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

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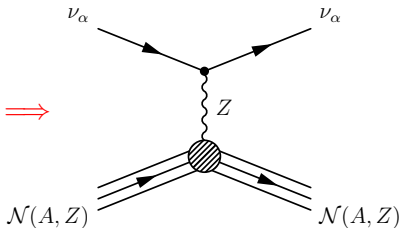


# Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

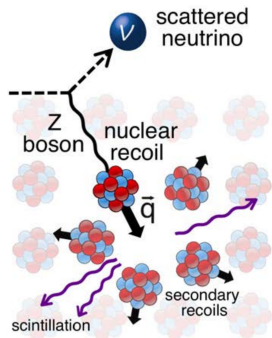
- ▶  $CE\nu NS$ : pronounced “sevens”
- ▶ Neutral-Current (NC) interaction:

$$\nu_\alpha + \mathcal{N}(A, Z) \rightarrow \nu_\alpha + \mathcal{N}(A, Z)$$

Standard  
Model



- ▶ The nucleus  $\mathcal{N}(A, Z)$  recoils as a whole, without any internal change of state!
- ▶ So what?

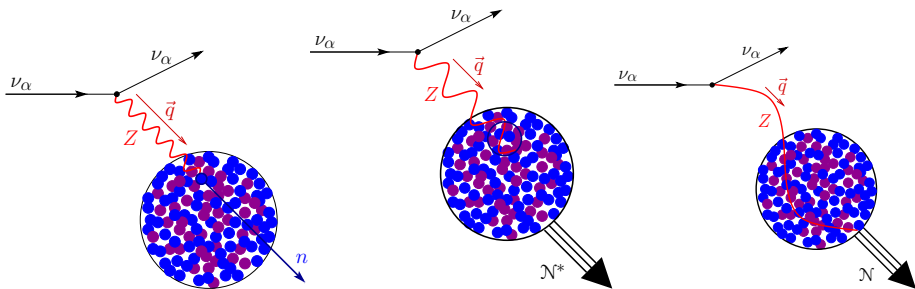


- ▶ Big cross section enhancement for **heavy nuclei**  $\mathcal{N}(A, Z)$  with large neutron numbers  $N = A - Z$ :

- ▶ Incoherent NC scattering: 
$$\sigma_{\text{NC}}(\nu\mathcal{N}) \sim \sum_i |\mathcal{A}(\nu n_i)|^2 \propto N_{\mathcal{N}}$$

- ▶ Coherent NC scattering: 
$$\sigma_{\text{NC}}(\nu\mathcal{N}) \sim \left| \sum_i \mathcal{A}(\nu n_i) \right|^2 \propto N_{\mathcal{N}}^2$$

# Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering



Inelastic Incoherent

$$\lambda_Z \ll R$$

Elastic Incoherent

$$\lambda_Z \lesssim R$$

Elastic Coherent

$$\lambda_Z \gtrsim 2R$$

$$\lambda_Z = 2\pi \frac{\hbar}{|\vec{q}|} \implies \text{CE}\nu\text{NS for } |\vec{q}| R \lesssim \hbar$$

$$|\vec{q}| R \lesssim 1$$

← Natural Units

$$|\vec{q}| R \lesssim 1$$

- ▶ Heavy target nucleus  $\mathcal{N}(A, Z)$ :

$$A \sim 100 \quad M \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

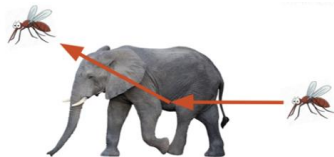
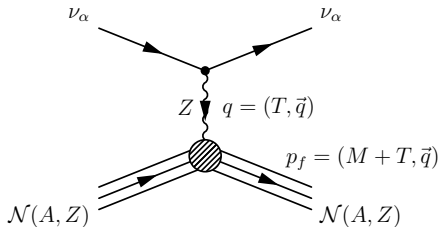
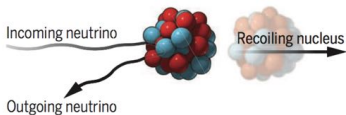
$$R \approx 1.2 A^{1/3} \text{ fm} \approx 5 \text{ fm}$$

- ▶ CE $\nu$ NS for  $|\vec{q}| \lesssim 40 \text{ MeV}$

- ▶ Non-Relativistic nuclear recoil:

$$|\vec{q}| \simeq \sqrt{2MT}$$

$$q^0 = T \leftarrow \text{Kinetic Energy}$$



- ▶ Observable nuclear recoil kinetic energy:

$$T \simeq \frac{|\vec{q}|^2}{2M} \lesssim 10 \text{ keV} \leftarrow \text{Very Small!}$$

►  $CE\nu NS$  was predicted in 1974!

[Freedman, PRD 9 (1974) 1389]

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### Coherent effects of a weak neutral current

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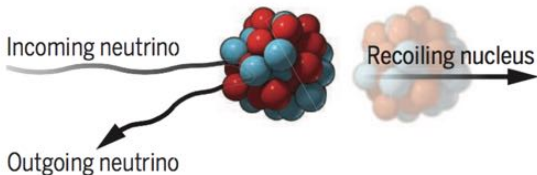
(Received 15 October 1973; revised manuscript received 19 November 1973)

Our suggestion may be an act of hubris, because the inevitable constraints of interaction rate, resolution, and background pose grave experimental difficulties for elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering.

Experimentally the most conspicuous and most difficult feature of our process is that the only detectable reaction product is a recoil nucleus of low momentum.

►  $CE\nu NS$  was observed for the first time 43 years later, in 2017 by the COHERENT experiment at the Oak Ridge Spallation Neutron Source with CsI ( $^{133}_{55}\text{Cs}_{78}$ ,  $^{127}_{53}\text{I}_{74}$ ) and a threshold  $T_{\text{thr}} \simeq 5 \text{ keV}$

[arXiv:1708.01294]



Maximum momentum transfer for  $\vec{p}_{\nu_f} = -\vec{p}_{\nu_i}$

$$\vec{q} = \vec{p}_{\nu_i} - \vec{p}_{\nu_f} \implies \underbrace{|\vec{q}|}_{\sqrt{2MT}} \leq 2|\vec{p}_{\nu_i}| = 2E_\nu$$

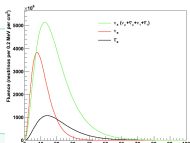
$$T \leq \frac{2E_\nu^2}{M}$$

Low-energy neutrinos are needed!

$$T \lesssim 10 \text{ keV} \quad \text{and} \quad M \sim 100 \text{ GeV} \implies E_\nu \lesssim 30 \text{ MeV}$$

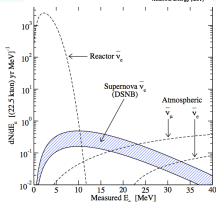
# Natural sources of low-energy neutrinos

Supernova burst  
neutrinos



Every  $\sim 30$  years in  
the Galaxy,  $\sim$  few 10's  
of sec burst, all  
flavors

Supernova relic  
neutrinos

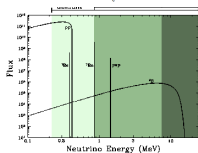


All flavors,  
low flux

Atmospheric  
neutrinos

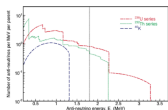
Some component  
at low energy

Solar  
neutrinos



Most flux below  
1 MeV

Geoneutrinos



Very low energy

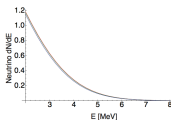
CEvNS  
eventually  
seen in  
DM expts

[Scholberg @ CNNP2017]



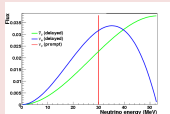
# Artificial sources of low-energy neutrinos

## Reactors



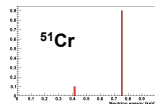
Low energy, but very high fluxes possible;  $\sim$ continuous source, good bg rejection needed

## Stopped pions (decay at rest)



High energy, pulsed beam possible for good background rejection; possible neutron backgrounds

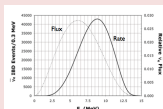
## Radioactive sources (electron capture)



Portable; can get very short baseline, monochromatic

**Low energy challenging**

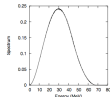
## Beam-induced radioactive sources (IsoDAR)



Relatively compact, higher energy than reactor; time structure not sharp

**Does not exist yet**

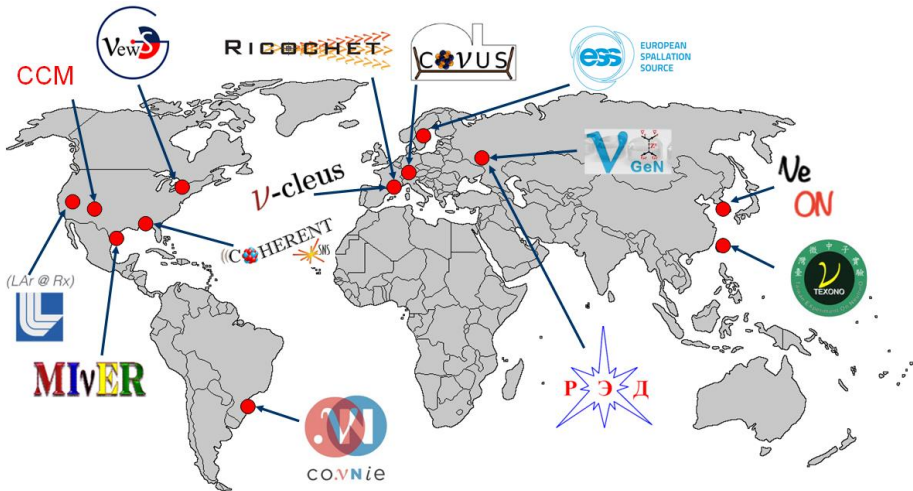
## Low-energy beta beams



$\gamma=10$   
boosted  
 $^{18}\text{Ne } \nu_e$

Tunable energy, but not pulsed



**Does not exist yet**



## *CEvNS search and study experiments around the world*

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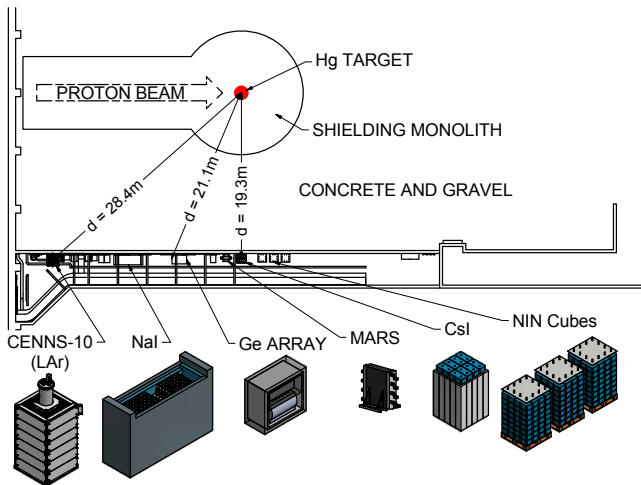
# Reactor vs stopped-pion for CEvNS

Source	Flux/ $\nu$ 's per s	Flavor	Energy	Pros	Cons
<b>Reactor</b> 	$2e20$ per GW	neubar	few MeV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• huge flux</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• lower xscn</li><li>• require very low threshold</li><li>• CW</li></ul>
<b>Stopped pion</b> 	$1e15$	numu/ nue/ neubar	0-50 MeV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• higher xscn</li><li>• higher energy recoils</li><li>• pulsed beam for bg rejection</li><li>• multiple flavors</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• lower flux</li><li>• potential fast neutron in-time bg</li></ul>

[Scholberg @ CNNP2017]

# The COHERENT Experiment

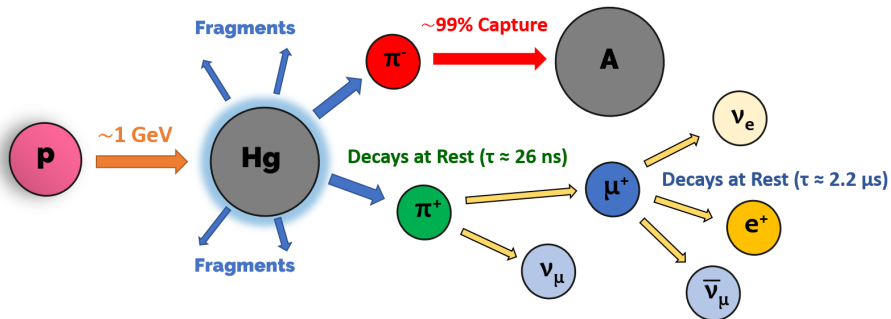
Oak Ridge Spallation Neutron Source



14.6 kg CsI  
scintillating crystal

[COHERENT, arXiv:1803.09183]

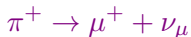
# Stopped-Pion ( $\pi$ DAR) Neutrinos



[M. Green © Magnificent CEvNS 2019]

# Stopped-Pion Neutrino Spectrum

- Prompt monochromatic  $\nu_\mu$  from stopped pion decays:



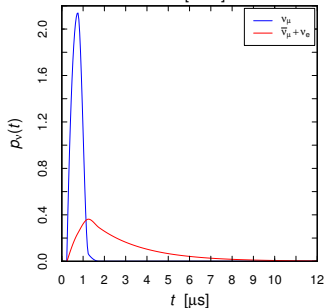
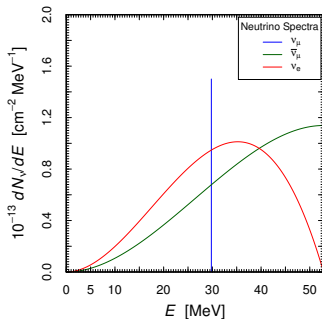
$$\frac{dN_{\nu_\mu}}{dE_\nu} = \eta \delta\left(E_\nu - \frac{m_\pi^2 - m_\mu^2}{2m_\pi}\right)$$

- Delayed  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  from the subsequent muon decays:



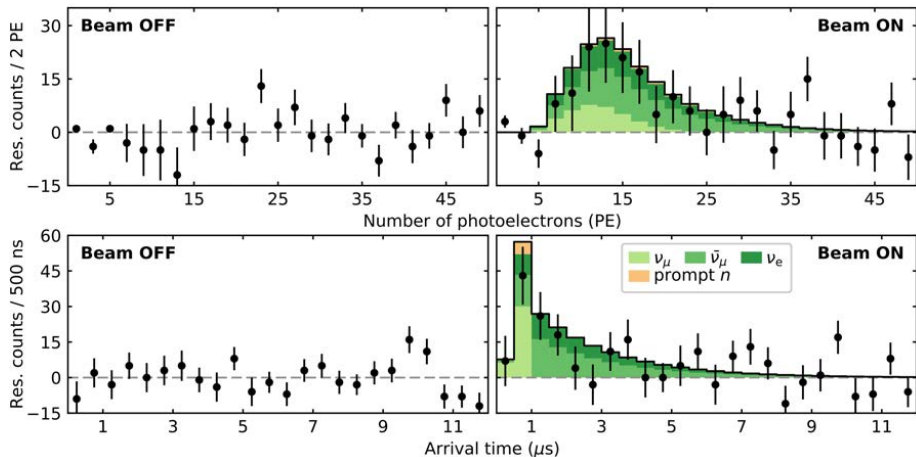
$$\frac{dN_{\nu_{\bar{\mu}}}}{dE_\nu} = \eta \frac{64E_\nu^2}{m_\mu^3} \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{E_\nu}{m_\mu}\right)$$

$$\frac{dN_{\nu_e}}{dE_\nu} = \eta \frac{192E_\nu^2}{m_\mu^3} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{E_\nu}{m_\mu}\right)$$



# COHERENT 2017: Cesium Iodide (CsI)

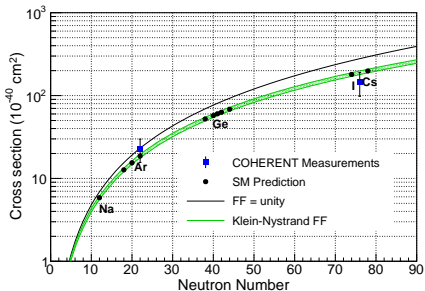
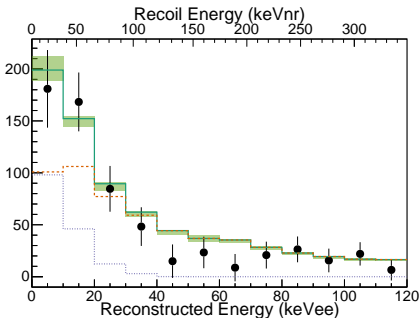
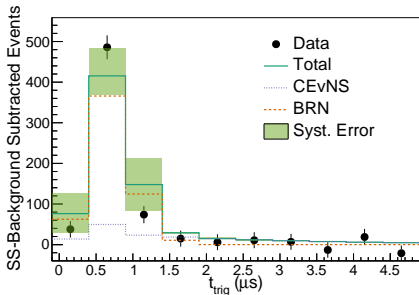
[arXiv:1708.01294]



$^{133}_{55}\text{Cs}_{78}$  and  $^{127}_{53}\text{I}_{74}$  ← Heavy nuclei well suited for CE $\nu$ NS

# COHERENT 2020: Argon (Ar)

[arXiv:2003.10630]



▶  ${}^{40}_{18}\text{Ar}_{22}$  not so heavy

▶ Verified theoretical  $\sigma \propto N^2$

▶  $N_{40\text{Ar}} = 22$

▶  $N_{133\text{Cs}} = 78, N_{127\text{I}} = 74$

▶  $N_{\text{CsI}}/N_{40\text{Ar}} \simeq 3.5$

▶  $N_{\text{CsI}}^2/N_{40\text{Ar}}^2 \simeq 11.9$



## CE $\nu$ NS Cross Section

Standard Model: 
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\mathcal{N}}}{dT}(E_\nu, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{4\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E_\nu^2}\right) [Q_W^{\mathcal{N}}(Q^2)]^2$$

- Weak charge of the nucleus  $\mathcal{N}$ :

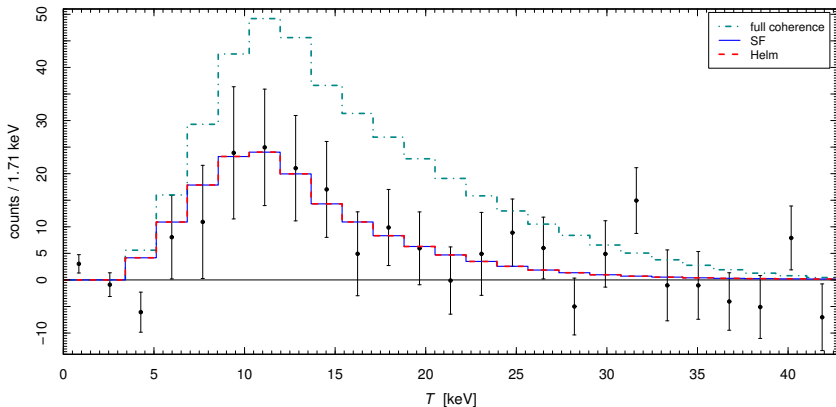
$$Q_W^{\mathcal{N}}(Q^2) = g_V^n N_{\mathcal{N}} F_N^{\mathcal{N}}(|\vec{q}|) + g_V^p Z_{\mathcal{N}} F_Z^{\mathcal{N}}(|\vec{q}|)$$

$$g_V^n = -\frac{1}{2} \quad g_V^p = \frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \vartheta_W(Q^2 \simeq 0) = 0.0227 \pm 0.0002$$

The neutron contribution is dominant!  $\implies \frac{d\sigma_{\nu\mathcal{N}}}{dT} \propto N_{\mathcal{N}}^2$

- The nuclear form factors  $F_N(|\vec{q}|)$  and  $F_Z(|\vec{q}|)$  describe the **loss of coherence** for  $|\vec{q}|R \gtrsim 1$ . [Patton et al, arXiv:1207.0693; Bednyakov, Naumov, arXiv:1806.08768; Papoulias et al, arXiv:1903.03722; Ciuffoli et al, arXiv:1801.02166; Canas et al, arXiv:1911.09831; Van Dessel et al, arXiv:2007.03658]

- ▶ In the COHERENT experiment neutrino-nucleus scattering is **not completely coherent**. For CsI:



[Cadeddu, CG, Y.F. Li, Y.Y. Zhang, PRL 120 (2018) 072501, arXiv:1710.02730]

- ▶ Partial coherency gives information on the nuclear neutron form factor  $F_N(|\vec{q}|^2)$ , which is the Fourier transform of the **neutron distribution in the nucleus**.
- ▶ Measurable parameter: the radius  $R_n$  of the nuclear neutron distribution.

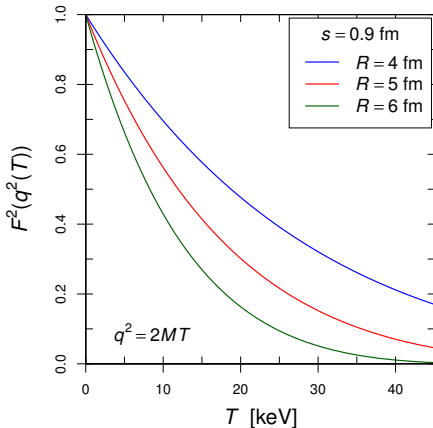
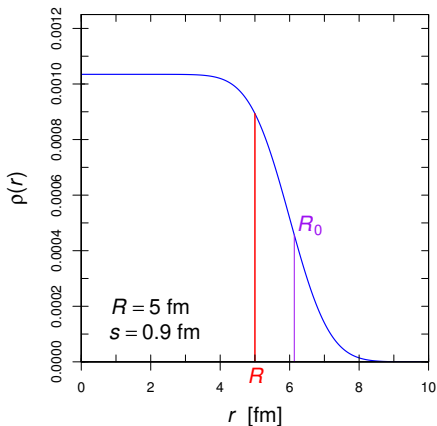
Helm form factor:  $F_N^{\text{Helm}}(|\vec{q}|^2) = 3 \frac{j_1(|\vec{q}|R_0)}{|\vec{q}|R_0} e^{-|\vec{q}|^2 s^2/2}$

Spherical Bessel function of order one:  $j_1(x) = \sin(x)/x^2 - \cos(x)/x$

Obtained from the convolution of a sphere with constant density with radius  $R_0$  and a gaussian density with standard deviation  $s$

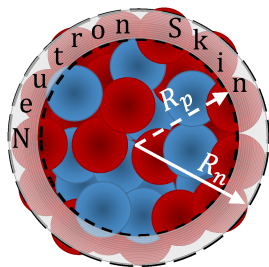
Rms radius:  $R^2 = \langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{5} R_0^2 + 3s^2$

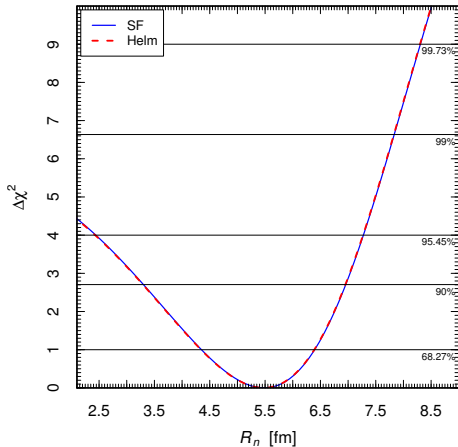
Surface thickness:  $s \simeq 0.9 \text{ fm}$



# The Nuclear Proton and Neutron Distributions

- ▶ The **nuclear proton distribution** (charge density) is probed with electromagnetic interactions.
- ▶ Most sensitive are **electron-nucleus elastic scattering** and **muonic atom spectroscopy**.
- ▶ **Hadron scattering** experiments give information on the nuclear neutron distribution, but their interpretation depends on the model used to describe non-perturbative strong interactions.
- ▶ More reliable are **neutral current weak interaction** measurements. But they are more difficult.
- ▶ Before 2017 there was **only one measurement** of  $R_n$  with neutral-current weak interactions through **parity-violating electron scattering**:  
 $R_n(^{208}\text{Pb}) = 5.78^{+0.16}_{-0.18} \text{ fm}$  [PREX, PRL 108 (2012) 112502]  
Larger than  $R_p(^{208}\text{Pb}) = 5.5028 \pm 0.0013 \text{ fm} \implies$  Neutron Skin





- ▶ Fit of the 2017 COHERENT CsI data:

$$R_n(\text{CsI}) = 5.5^{+0.9}_{-1.1} \text{ fm}$$

[Cadeddu, CG, Li, Zhang, arXiv:1710.02730]

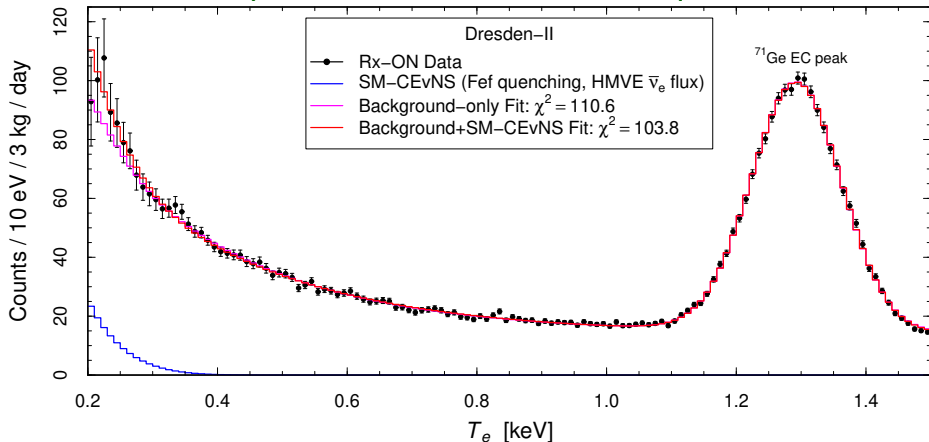
- ▶  $R_n(\text{CsI}) \simeq R_n(^{133}\text{Cs}) \simeq R_n(^{127}\text{I})$
- ▶ First determination of  $R_n$  with neutrino-nucleus scattering.
- ▶ Best fit larger than
  - $R_p(^{133}\text{Cs}) = 4.821 \pm 0.005 \text{ fm}$
  - $R_p(^{127}\text{I}) = 4.766 \pm 0.008 \text{ fm}$
- ▶ Predictions of nuclear models:

$$R_n(\text{CsI}) \approx 4.9 - 5.1 \text{ fm}$$

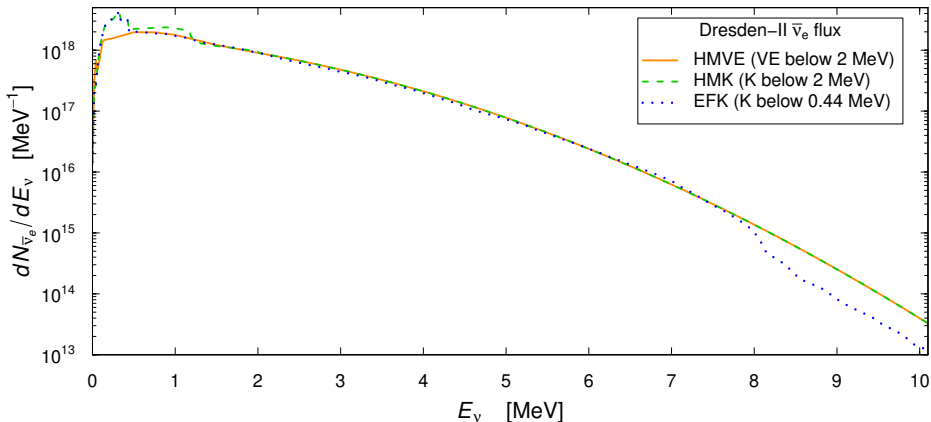
- ▶ A large  $R_n$  has important implications for:
  - ▶ **Nuclear physics:** a larger pressure of neutrons
  - ▶ **Astrophysics:** a larger size of neutron stars

# Recent First Observation of Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$ CEvNS

[Colaresi, Collar, Hossbach, Lewis, Yocum, arXiv:2202.09672]

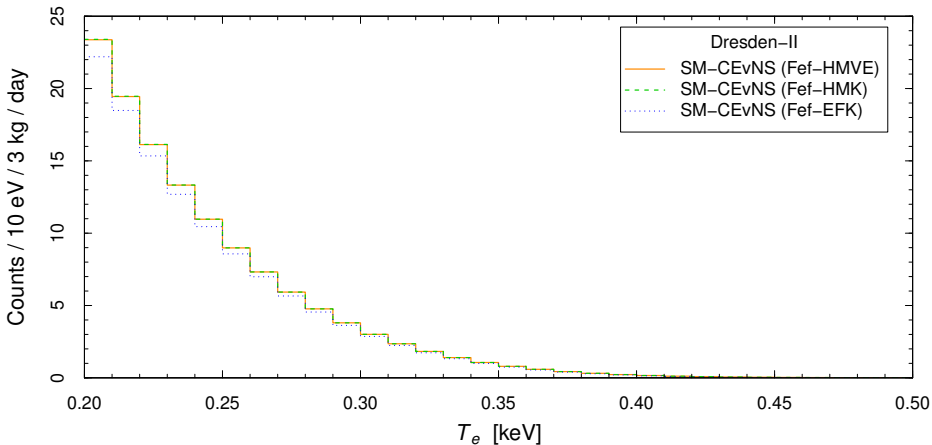


- ▶ For a proper analysis the **background** must be fitted with signal using the information in the **data release** in the arXiv ancillary files. **Thanks!**
- ▶ BSM analyses that use the residuals obtained from the official SM fit are not correct and may obtain misleading results.
- ▶ **Special thanks** to the **COHERENT Collaboration** for the excellent **data releases** and the availability to help!



Kopeikin (2012): Usual  $\bar{\nu}_e$  fluxes from  $^{235}\text{U}$ ,  $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{239}\text{Pu}$ ,  $^{241}\text{Pu}$  fission daughter nuclei plus low energy  $\bar{\nu}_e$ 's from

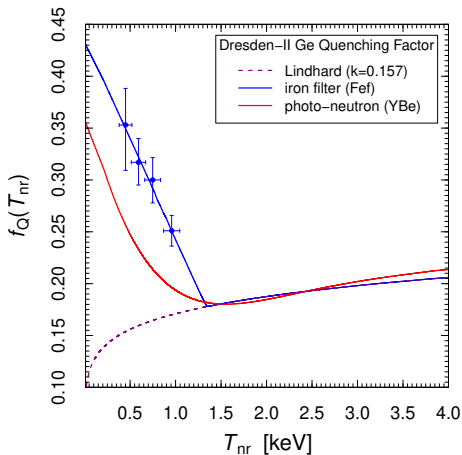




- ▶ Small dependence of the predicted SM CEvNS signal on the difference between the HM and EF fluxes at high energy.

$$E_{\nu}^{\min}(\text{CEvNS}) \simeq \sqrt{\frac{MT_{\text{nr}}}{2}}: \text{ e.g., } T_{\text{nr}} \simeq 0.2 \text{ keV} \implies E_{\nu}^{\min}(\text{CEvNS}) \simeq 2.5 \text{ MeV}$$





- ▶ The Quenching Factor describes the suppression of the ionization yield produced by a nuclear recoil compared to an electron recoil.

- ▶ Electron-equivalent energy:

$$T_e = f_Q(T_{nr}) T_{nr}$$

- ▶ Dresden-II Ge Quenching Factor models:

- ▶ **Fef**: iron filtered neutron beam

- ▶ **YBe**: photo-neutron  $^{88}\text{Y}/\text{Be}$

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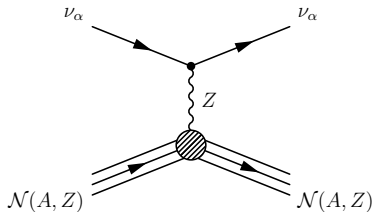
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- ▶ The difference between **Fef** and **YBe** is considered as the Quenching Factor systematic uncertainty

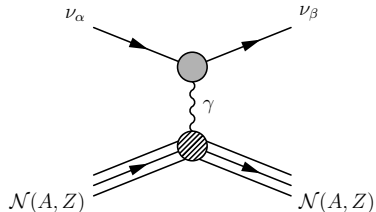
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# SM and BSM $CE\nu NS$ Neutrino Interactions

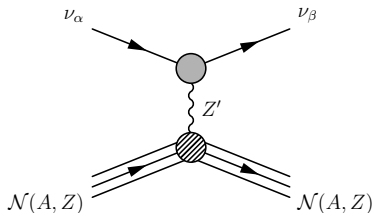
## Standard Model NC



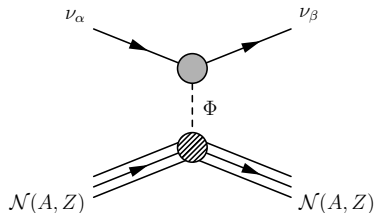
## Electromagnetic Interactions



## BSM Vector Mediator



## BSM Scalar Mediator



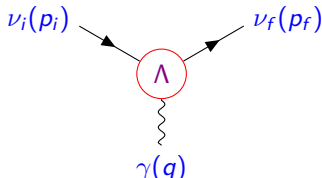
# Neutrino Electromagnetic Interactions

▶ Effective Hamiltonian:  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{em}}^{(\nu)}(x) = j_{\mu}^{(\nu)}(x)A^{\mu}(x) = \sum_{k,j=1} \bar{\nu}_k(x)\Lambda_{\mu}^{kj}\nu_j(x)A^{\mu}(x)$

▶ Effective electromagnetic vertex:

$$\langle \nu_f(p_f) | j_{\mu}^{(\nu)}(0) | \nu_i(p_i) \rangle = \bar{u}_f(p_f)\Lambda_{\mu}^{fi}(q)u_i(p_i)$$

$$q = p_i - p_f$$



▶ Vertex function (mass basis):

$$\Lambda_{\mu}(q) = (\gamma_{\mu} - q_{\mu}\not{q}/q^2) [F_Q(q^2) + F_A(q^2)q^2\gamma_5] - i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu} [F_M(q^2) + iF_E(q^2)\gamma_5]$$

Lorentz-invariant  
form factors:

$$q^2 = 0 \implies$$

charge

anapole

magnetic

electric

Q

A

$\mu$

$\epsilon$

helicity-conserving

helicity-flipping

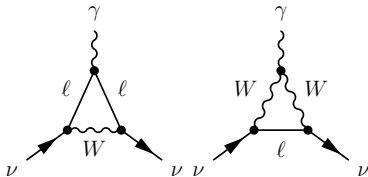
▶ Effective vertex function for ultrarelativistic neutrinos at low  $q^2$ :

$$\Lambda_{\mu}(q) \simeq (\gamma_{\mu} - q_{\mu}\not{q}/q^2) [F_Q(q^2) - Aq^2] - i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu} [\mu - i\epsilon]$$

# Neutrino Charge Radius

- ▶ In the Standard Model neutrinos are neutral and there are no electromagnetic interactions at the tree-level.
- ▶ Radiative corrections generate an effective electromagnetic interaction vertex

$$\Lambda_\mu(q) = (\gamma_\mu - q_\mu \not{q}/q^2) F(q^2)$$



$$\text{▶ } F(q^2) = \cancel{F(0)} + q^2 \left. \frac{dF(q^2)}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0} + \dots = q^2 \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle}{6} + \dots$$

- ▶ In the Standard Model:

[Bernabeu et al, PRD 62 (2000) 113012, NPB 680 (2004) 450]

$$\langle r_{\nu_\ell}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} = -\frac{G_F}{2\sqrt{2}\pi^2} \left[ 3 - 2 \log \left( \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_W^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} &= -8.2 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^2 \\ \langle r_{\nu_\mu}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} &= -4.8 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^2 \\ \langle r_{\nu_\tau}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} &= -3.0 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Neutrino charge radii contributions to  $\nu_\ell\text{-}\mathcal{N}$  CE $\nu$ NS:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu_\ell\text{-}\mathcal{N}}}{dT}(E_\nu, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E_\nu^2}\right) \left\{ \left[ \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}}_{g_V^n} NF_N(|\vec{q}|) + \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} - 2\sin^2\vartheta_W - \frac{2}{3}m_W^2\sin^2\vartheta_W\langle r_{\nu\ell\ell}^2 \rangle\right)}_{g_V^p \simeq 0.023} ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|) \right]^2 + \frac{4}{9}m_W^4\sin^4\vartheta_W Z^2 F_Z^2(|\vec{q}|) \sum_{\ell' \neq \ell} |\langle r_{\nu\ell'\ell}^2 \rangle|^2 \right\}$$

- ▶ In the Standard Model there are only diagonal charge radii  $\langle r_{\nu\ell}^2 \rangle \equiv \langle r_{\nu\ell\ell}^2 \rangle$  because lepton numbers are conserved.
- ▶ Diagonal charge radii generate the coherent shifts

$$\sin^2\vartheta_W \rightarrow \sin^2\vartheta_W \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}m_W^2\langle r_{\nu\ell}^2 \rangle\right) \iff \nu_\ell + \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \nu_\ell + \mathcal{N}$$

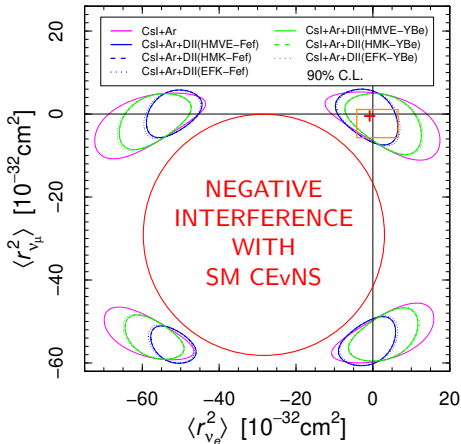
- ▶ Transition charge radii generate the incoherent contribution

$$\frac{4}{9}m_W^4\sin^4\vartheta_W Z^2 F_Z^2(|\vec{q}|) \sum_{\ell' \neq \ell} |\langle r_{\nu\ell'\ell}^2 \rangle|^2 \iff \nu_\ell + \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \sum_{\ell' \neq \ell} \nu_{\ell' \neq \ell} + \mathcal{N}$$

[Kouzakov, Studenikin, PRD 95 (2017) 055013, arXiv:1703.00401]

# Bounds on Diagonal Neutrino Charge Radii

- ▶ The transition charge radii are assumed to be zero or negligible.
  - ▶ Test of SM prediction and search for lepton flavor conserving BSM physics.
- Dresden-II data analysis options:



[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]

- ▶ Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$  flux:
  - ▶ **HMVE**: Huber-Mueller (2011)
  - + Vogel-Engel (1989) ( $E_\nu < 2$  MeV)
  - ▶ **HMK**: Huber-Mueller
  - + Kopeikin (2012) ( $E_\nu < 2$  MeV)
  - ▶ **EFK**: Estienne-Fallot (2019)
  - + Kopeikin (2012) ( $E_\nu < 0.44$  MeV)
- ▶ Quenching factor:
  - ▶ **Fef**: iron filter
  - ▶ **YBe**: photo-neutron
- ▶ Previous bounds (orange):
  - ▶ Reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e e^-$ : **TEXONO**
  - ▶ Accelerator  $\nu_\mu e^-$ : **BNL-E734**

# Bounds on Diagonal Neutrino Charge Radii

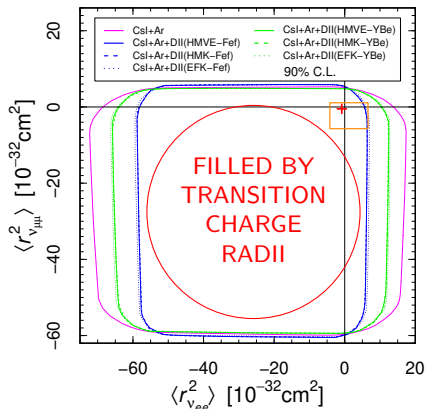
Method	Experiment	Limit [ $10^{-32}$ cm <sup>2</sup> ]	C.L.	Year
Reactor $\bar{\nu}_e e^-$	Krasnoyarsk	$ \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle  < 7.3$	90%	1992
	TEXONO	$-4.2 < \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle < 6.6^a$	90%	2009
Accelerator $\nu_e e^-$	LAMPF	$-7.12 < \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle < 10.88^a$	90%	1992
	LSND	$-5.94 < \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle < 8.28^a$	90%	2001
Accelerator $\nu_\mu e^-$	BNL-E734	$-5.7 < \langle r_{\nu_\mu}^2 \rangle < 1.1^{a,b}$	90%	1990
	CHARM-II	$ \langle r_{\nu_\mu}^2 \rangle  < 1.2^a$	90%	1994
CEvNS [arXiv:2205.09484]	COHERENT	$-7.1 < \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle < 11.2$	90%	2022
	+ Dresden-II	$-8.1 < \langle r_{\nu_\mu}^2 \rangle < 4.3$		

*a* Corrected by a factor of two due to a different convention.

*b* Corrected in Hirsch, Nardi, Restrepo, hep-ph/0210137.

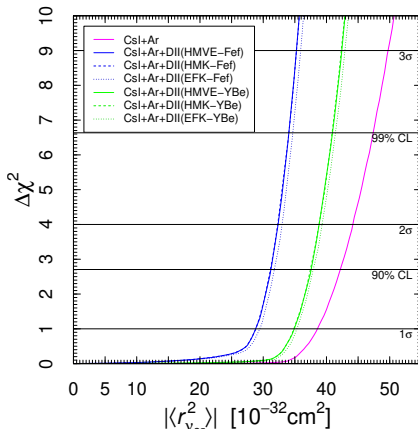
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# General CEvNS Constraints on Neutrino Charge Radii



$$\begin{aligned}
 |\langle r_{\nu_{e\mu}}^2 \rangle| &< 33 \times 10^{-32} \text{ cm}^2 \\
 |\langle r_{\nu_{e\tau}}^2 \rangle| &< 43 \times 10^{-32} \text{ cm}^2 \quad (3\sigma) \\
 |\langle r_{\nu_{\mu\tau}}^2 \rangle| &< 36 \times 10^{-32} \text{ cm}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]



Effective charge radii  
in the flavor basis:

$$\langle r_{\nu_{\alpha\beta}}^2 \rangle = \sum_{j,k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta k} \langle r_{\nu_{jk}}^2 \rangle$$



# Neutrino Magnetic and Electric Moments

- ▶ Effective dimension-5 Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mag}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,j=1}^{\mathcal{N}} \overline{\nu_{Lk}} \sigma^{\alpha\beta} (\mu_{kj} + \varepsilon_{kj} \gamma_5) N_{Rj} F_{\alpha\beta} + \text{H.c.}$$

- ▶  $\mathcal{N} = 3$ ,  $N_{Rj} = \nu_{Rj}$ , and  $\Delta L = 0 \implies$  Dirac neutrinos with diagonal and off-diagonal (transition) magnetic and electric moments.

Simplest SM extension:

$$\mu_{kk}^D \simeq 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \mu_B \left( \frac{m_k}{\text{eV}} \right) \quad \text{Strongly suppressed by small } m_k!$$

- ▶  $\mathcal{N} = 3$  and  $N_{Rj} = \nu_{Lj}^c \implies$  Majorana neutrinos with transition magnetic and electric moments only
- ▶  $\mathcal{N} > 3 \implies$  active + sterile Dirac ( $\Delta L = 0$ ) or Majorana neutrinos  
“neutrino dipole portal” or “neutrino magnetic moment portal”

- ▶ Neutrino magnetic (and electric) moment contributions to CE $\nu$ NS:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\alpha-N}}{dT}(E_\nu, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E_\nu^2}\right) [g_V^n N F_N(|\vec{q}|) + g_V^p Z F_Z(|\vec{q}|)]^2 + \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{m_e^2} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{E_\nu}\right) Z^2 F_Z^2(|\vec{q}|) \frac{\mu_{\nu\alpha}^2}{\mu_B^2}$$

- ▶ The magnetic moment interaction adds **incoherently** to the weak interaction because it **flips helicity**.
- ▶ Effective magnetic moment of flavor neutrinos:

$$\mu_{\nu\alpha}^2 = \sum_j \left| \sum_k U_{\alpha k}^* (\mu_{jk} - i\varepsilon_{jk}) \right|^2$$

[Grimus, Stockinger, hep-ph/9708279;  
Beacom, Vogel, hep-ph/9907383;  
CG, Studenikin, arXiv:1403.6344]

- ▶ Neglecting the electric moments:

$$\mu_{\nu\alpha}^2 = \sum_{i,j} U_{\alpha i} (\mu^2)_{ij} U_{\alpha j}^* \quad \text{with} \quad (\mu^2)_{ij} = \sum_k \mu_{ik} \mu_{kj}$$

- ▶ Neutrino-electron elastic scattering (ES) contribution in the COHERENT Csl and Dresden-II Ge detectors.

[Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829]

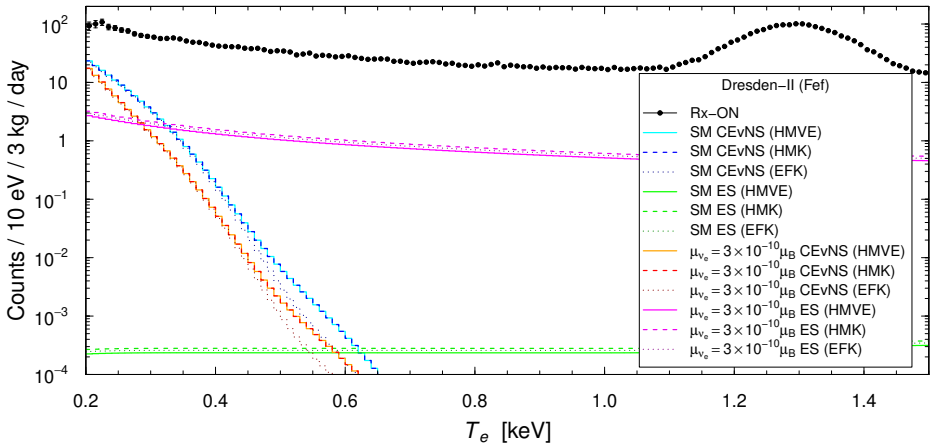
- ▶ Negligible SM contribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\alpha-\mathcal{A}}^{\text{ES}}}{dT_e}(E, T_e) = Z_{\text{eff}}^{\mathcal{A}}(T_e) \frac{G_F^2 m_e}{2\pi} \left[ (g_V^{\nu\alpha} + g_A^{\nu\alpha})^2 + (g_V^{\nu\alpha} - g_A^{\nu\alpha})^2 \left(1 - \frac{T_e}{E}\right)^2 - ((g_V^{\nu\alpha})^2 - (g_A^{\nu\alpha})^2) \frac{m_e T_e}{E^2} \right]$$

$$g_V^{\nu e} = 2 \sin^2 \theta_W + \frac{1}{2}, \quad g_A^{\nu e} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad g_V^{\nu \mu} = 2 \sin^2 \theta_W - \frac{1}{2}, \quad g_A^{\nu \mu} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

- ▶ Significant neutrino magnetic moment contribution for small  $T_e$ :

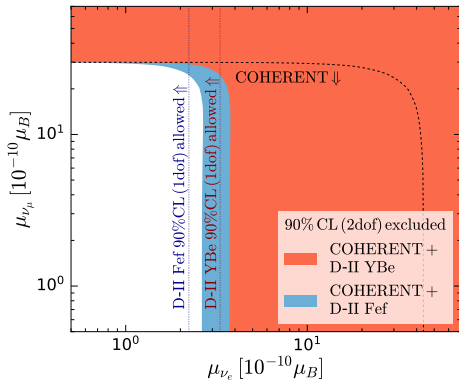
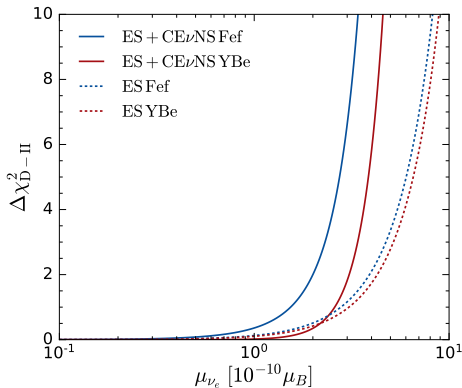
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\alpha-\mathcal{A}}^{\text{ES, MM}}}{dT_e}(E, T_e) = Z_{\text{eff}}^{\mathcal{A}}(T_e) \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{m_e^2} \left( \frac{1}{T_e} - \frac{1}{E} \right) \left| \frac{\mu_{\nu\alpha}}{\mu_B} \right|^2$$



- ▶ SM ES are practically negligible, whereas magnetic moment ES are not negligible.
- ▶ ES predictions are flatter than CEvNS and depend more on the reactor flux model because

$$E_\nu^{\min}(\text{ES}) \simeq \sqrt{m_e T_e / 2}: \text{ e.g., } T_e \simeq 0.5 \text{ keV} \implies E_\nu^{\min}(\text{ES}) \simeq 10 \text{ keV}$$

$$E_\nu^{\min}(\text{CEvNS}) \simeq \sqrt{M T_{\text{nr}} / 2}: \text{ e.g., } T_{\text{nr}} \simeq 0.5 \text{ keV} \implies E_\nu^{\min}(\text{CEvNS}) \simeq 4 \text{ MeV}$$

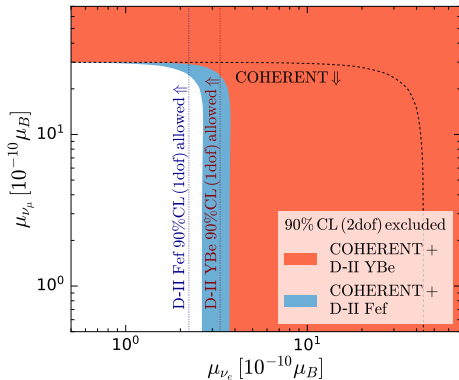
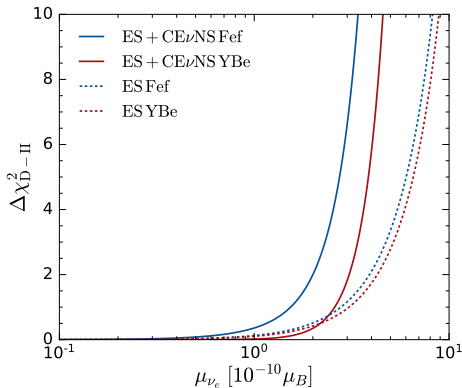


[Coloma, Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Larizgoitia, Monrabal, Palomares-Ruiz, arXiv:2202.10829]

$$|\mu_{\nu_e}| < 2.2 \times 10^{-10} \mu_B \quad \text{HMVE CE}\nu\text{NS+ES Fef} \quad 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$$\frac{|\mu_{\nu_e}|}{10^{-10} \mu_B} < \left. \begin{array}{l} \left. \begin{array}{l} 2.3 \text{ (HMVE or HMK)} \\ 2.5 \text{ (EFK)} \end{array} \right\} \text{CE}\nu\text{NS} \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} 2.1 \text{ (HMVE or HMK)} \\ 2.2 \text{ (EFK)} \end{array} \right\} \text{CE}\nu\text{NS+ES} \end{array} \right\} \text{Fef} \quad 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]



[Coloma, Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Larizgoitia, Monrabal, Palomares-Ruiz, arXiv:2202.10829]

$|\mu_{\nu_e}| < 3.3 \times 10^{-10} \mu_B$  HMVE CEνNS+ES YBe 90% C.L.

$$\frac{|\mu_{\nu_e}|}{10^{-10} \mu_B} < \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3.7 \text{ (HMVE or HMK)} \\ 3.8 \text{ (EFK)} \\ 3.2 \text{ (HMVE or HMK)} \\ 3.3 \text{ (EFK)} \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{CEνNS} \\ \text{CEνNS+ES} \end{array} \right\} \text{YBe 90\% C.L.}$$

[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]

# Bounds on $|\mu_{\nu_e}|$ and $|\mu_{\nu_\mu}|$

Method	Experiment	Limit [ $\mu_B$ ]	CL	Year
Reactor ES ( $\bar{\nu}_e e^-$ )	Krasnoyarsk	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 2.4 \times 10^{-10}$	90%	1992
	Rovno	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 1.9 \times 10^{-10}$	95%	1993
	MUNU	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 9 \times 10^{-11}$	90%	2005
	TEXONO	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 7.4 \times 10^{-11}$	90%	2006
	GEMMA	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 2.9 \times 10^{-11}$	90%	2012
Reactor CEvNS+ES	Dresden-II [Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829] [Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]	$ \mu_{\nu_e}  < 3.3 \times 10^{-10}$	90%	2022
	BNL-E734	$ \mu_{\nu_\mu}  < 8.5 \times 10^{-10}$	90%	1990
Accelerator ES ( $\nu_\mu e^-$ )	LAMPF	$ \mu_{\nu_\mu}  < 7.4 \times 10^{-10}$	90%	1992
	LSND	$ \mu_{\nu_\mu}  < 6.8 \times 10^{-10}$	90%	2001
Accelerator CEvNS+ES	COHERENT [Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829] [Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]	$ \mu_{\nu_\mu}  < 2 \times 10^{-9}$	90%	2022

[See also: Liao et al, arXiv:2202.10622; Aristizabal Sierra et al, arXiv:2203.02414; Khan, arXiv:2203.08892]

[Previous CEvNS results: Papoulias et al, arXiv:1711.09773, arXiv:1905.03750, arXiv:1907.11644, arXiv:2003.12050; Khan and Rodejohann, arXiv:1907.12444; Cadeddu et al, arXiv:1908.06045, arXiv:2005.01645; CONUS, arXiv:2201.12257]

[Future prospects: Miranda et al, arXiv:1905.03750]

# Vector-Mediated Non-Standard Interactions

- ▶ General CEvNS cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu\alpha-\mathcal{N}}}{dT}(E, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E^2}\right) Q_{W,\alpha}^2$$

- ▶ Very heavy vector mediator: Effective neutral-current NSI Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{NSI}}^{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}} = 2\sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{\alpha,\beta=e,\mu,\tau} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\gamma^\rho\nu_{\beta L}) \sum_{f=u,d} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fV} (\bar{f}\gamma_\rho f)$$

$$Q_{W,\alpha}^2 = \left[ \left( g_V^p + 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{uV} + \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{dV} \right) ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|^2) + \left( g_V^n + \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{uV} + 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{dV} \right) NF_N(|\vec{q}|^2) \right]^2 + \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} \left| \left( 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{uV} + \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{dV} \right) ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|^2) + \left( \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{uV} + 2\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{dV} \right) NF_N(|\vec{q}|^2) \right|^2$$

- ▶ Many parameters with possible cancellation effects.
- ▶ Several phenomenological analyses: general or simplified by assumptions on the parameters.

[COHERENT, arXiv:1708.01294, arXiv:2003.10630, arXiv:2110.07730; Coloma et al, arXiv:1708.02899, arXiv:1911.09109, arXiv:2202.10829; Liao et al, arXiv:1708.04255, arXiv:1711.03521, arXiv:2002.03066; Papoulias et al, arXiv:1711.09773, arXiv:1907.11644, arXiv:2003.12050; Khan and Rodejohann, arXiv:1907.12444; CG, arXiv:1909.00466; Canas et al, arXiv:1911.09831; Denton and Gehrlein, arXiv:2008.06062; CONUS, arXiv:2110.02174; Chaves and Schwetz, arXiv:2102.11981]

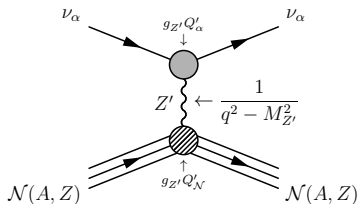


# Light Vector Mediator Models

- ▶ Non-standard interactions mediated by a vector boson  $Z'$  with mass  $M_{Z'} \lesssim 100$  GeV, associated with a new  $U(1)'$  gauge symmetry.
- ▶ Generic lepton flavor conserving Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'}^V = -g_{Z'} Z'_\mu \left[ \sum_{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau} Q'_\alpha \bar{\nu}_{\alpha L} \gamma^\mu \nu_{\alpha L} + \sum_{q=u,d} Q'_q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q \right]$$

- ▶ CEvNS:



- ▶ Many models, that can be divided in
  - ▶ Anomaly-free models generated by appropriate combinations of  $B, L_e, L_\mu, L_\tau$
  - ▶ Anomalous models, assuming that the anomalies are canceled by the contributions of non-standard fermions an extended theory.

## Light Vector Mediator: Universal $Z'$

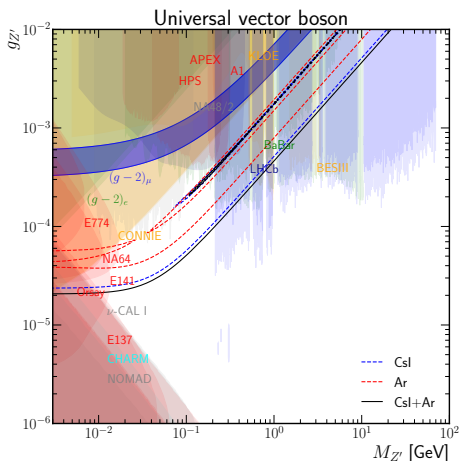
- ▶ Cross section: 
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu-N}}{dT}(E_\nu, T) = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{MT}{2E_\nu^2}\right) Q_W^2$$
- ▶ Weak charge: 
$$Q_W = Q_W^{\text{SM}} + \frac{3g_{Z'}^2}{\sqrt{2}G_F} \left( \frac{ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|) + NF_N(|\vec{q}|)}{|\vec{q}|^2 + M_{Z'}^2} \right)$$
- ▶ Since  $Q_W^{\text{SM}} \simeq -N/2$ , for  $M_{Z'} \gg |\vec{q}| \approx 30\text{MeV}$  there is a cancellation for

$$Q_W \approx -\frac{N}{2} + \frac{3g_{Z'}^2}{\sqrt{2}G_F} \left( \frac{Z+N}{M_{Z'}^2} \right) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad g_{Z'} \approx 1.4 \times 10^{-6} \frac{M_{Z'}}{\text{MeV}}$$

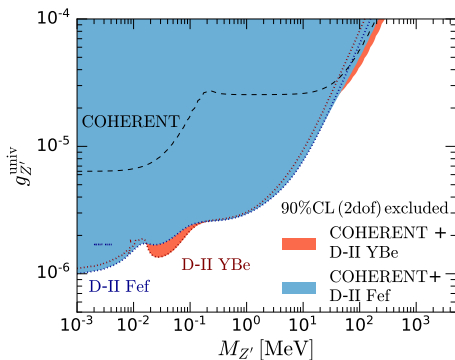
- ▶ There is a degeneracy with the SM contribution for

$$Q_W \approx -\frac{N}{2} + \frac{3g_{Z'}^2}{\sqrt{2}G_F} \left( \frac{Z+N}{M_{Z'}^2} \right) = \frac{N}{2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad g_{Z'} \approx 2 \times 10^{-6} \frac{M_{Z'}}{\text{MeV}}$$

# Light Vector Mediator: Universal $Z'$



$2\sigma$  [Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2202.11002]



[Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829]

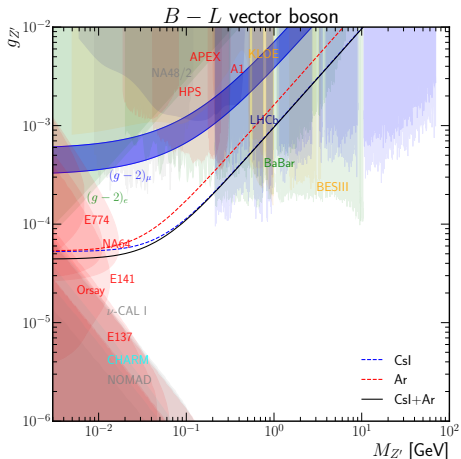
$$\text{CEvNS: } |\vec{q}|^2 \simeq 2MT_{\text{nr}}$$

$$\text{ES: } |\vec{q}|^2 \simeq 2m_e T_e$$

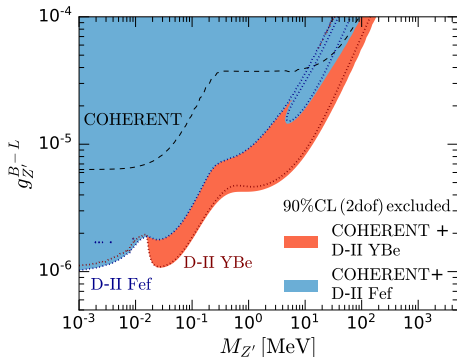
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# Light Vector Mediator: $Z'_{B-L}$

Weak charge: 
$$Q_W = Q_W^{\text{SM}} - \frac{g_{Z'}^2}{\sqrt{2}G_F} \left( \frac{ZF_Z(|\vec{q}|) + NF_N(|\vec{q}|)}{|\vec{q}|^2 + M_{Z'}^2} \right)$$



Anomaly Free!



[Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829]

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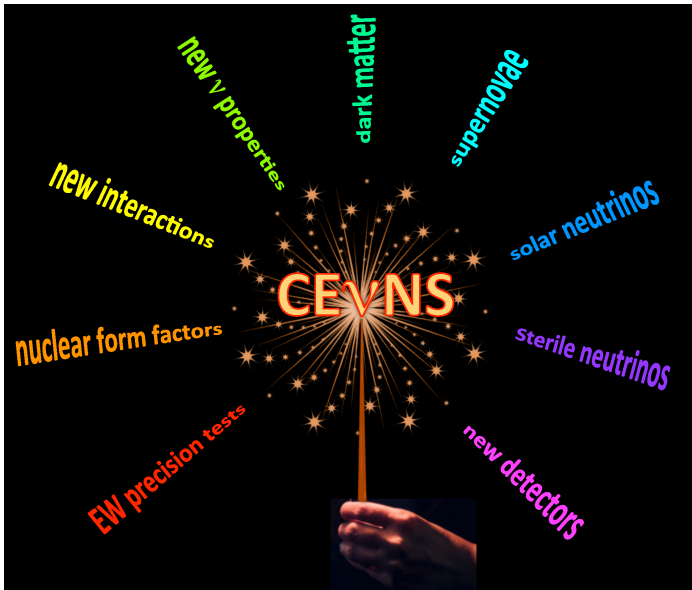
[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2202.11002]

[Previous CEvNS results: Miranda et al, arXiv:2003.12050; Cadeddu et al, arXiv:2008.05022]

## Remarks

- ▶ The ES effects in Dresden and Coherent CsI lead to dramatic improvements of the bounds on the electric charges of  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$ .  
[Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2205.09484]
- ▶ CEvNS can probe neutrino interactions with BSM scalars.  
[Cerdeno et al, arXiv:1604.01025; Farzan et al, arXiv:1802.05171; Aristizabal Sierra et al, arXiv:1806.07424; Khan and Rodejohann, arXiv:1907.12444; Aristizabal Sierra et al, arXiv:1910.12437; Miranda et al, arXiv:2003.12050; Suliga and Tamborra, arXiv:2010.14545; CONUS, arXiv:2110.02174; Li and Xia, arXiv:2201.05015; Atzori Corona et al, arXiv:2202.11002; Liao et al, arXiv:2202.10622; Coloma et al, arXiv:2202.10829]
- ▶ CEvNS can probe general BSM neutrino interactions.  
[Lindner et al, arXiv:1612.04150; Aristizabal Sierra et al, arXiv:1806.07424; Brdar and Rodejohann, arXiv:1810.03626; Chang and Liao, arXiv:2002.10275; Li et al, arXiv:2005.01543; CONUS, arXiv:2110.02174]
- ▶ CEvNS can determine the neutron distribution in the nucleus.  
[Cadeddu et al, arXiv:1710.02730, arXiv:2005.01645, arXiv:1908.06045; Aristizabal Sierra et al, arXiv:1902.07398; Huang and Chen, arXiv:1902.07625; Papoulias et al, arXiv:1903.03722, arXiv:1907.11644; Miranda et al, arXiv:2003.12050]
- ▶ CEvNS can determine the value of the electroweak mixing angle.  
[Papoulias et al, arXiv:1711.09773, arXiv:1907.11644; Cadeddu et al, arXiv:1808.10202, arXiv:2005.01645, arXiv:1908.06045, arXiv:2205.09484; Huang and Chen, arXiv:1902.07625; Miranda et al, arXiv:1902.09036, arXiv:2003.12050; Khan and Rodejohann, arXiv:1907.12444; COHERENT, arXiv:2110.07730]
- ▶ CEvNS can probe active neutrino disappearance into sterile states.  
[Papoulias and Kosmas, arXiv:1711.09773; Blanco et al, arXiv:1901.08094; Miranda et al, arXiv:1902.09036]
- ▶ In the future it may be possible to observe Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Atom Scattering (CEvAS) with a very low energy threshold of a few meV.  
[Sehgal and Wamlinger, PLB 171 (1986) 107; Cadeddu et al, arXiv:1907.03302]

# CEvNS magic, to be continued ...



[E. Lisi, Neutrino 2018]

## Conclusions

- ▶ In 2017, the observation of  $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$  in the **COHERENT** experiment opened the way for new powerful measurements of **weak interactions, nuclear structure, non-standard neutrino properties**.
- ▶ In 2022  $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$  induced by reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$ 's have been observed for the first time in the Dresden-II experiment.
- ▶ Other  $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$  experiments with reactor  $\bar{\nu}_e$ 's: **CONUS, CONNIE, NU-CLEUS, MINER, Ricochet, TEXONO,  $\nu\text{GEN}$ , ...**
- ▶ It is important to continue and improve  $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$  observation not only with  $\bar{\nu}_e$  from reactors, but also with  $\nu_\mu$  beams (as in **COHERENT**) in order to explore the properties of  $\nu_\mu$ , that are typically less constrained than the properties of  $\nu_e$ .
- ▶ Future: new **COHERENT**  $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$  measurements with 1 ton LAr detector, a large array of NaI detectors, and an array of Germanium detectors.
- ▶ Powerful project at the **European Spallation Source (ESS)** in Lund, Sweden, with an order of magnitude increase in neutrino flux with respect to the Oak Ridge SNS.