#### **DEEP UNDERGROUND NEUTRINO EXPERIMENT**

# The DUNE experiment and its Far Detectors

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# **Neutrino Oscillation**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{e} \\ \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mu} \\ \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{U}_{e1} & \boldsymbol{U}_{e2} & \boldsymbol{U}_{e3} \\ \boldsymbol{U}_{\mu 1} & \boldsymbol{U}_{\mu 2} & \boldsymbol{U}_{\mu 3} \\ \boldsymbol{U}_{\tau 1} & \boldsymbol{U}_{\tau 2} & \boldsymbol{U}_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{1} \\ \boldsymbol{\nu}_{2} \\ \boldsymbol{\nu}_{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Pontecorvo – Maki – Nakagawa – Sakata (PMNS) matrix

- 3 mixing angles
- 1 CP phase

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & \sin\theta_{13}e^{i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{vmatrix}$$
solar atmospheric

- 2 mass splittings Δm<sup>2</sup><sub>ij</sub>
- $\theta_{13} \rightarrow \delta_{cp}$  and sign of  $\Delta m_{31}^2$





## **Global Fits**





## **Long Baseline Experiments**



$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{\Delta m_{31}^2} \qquad \Delta = \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} \qquad A = +G_f N_e \frac{L}{\sqrt{2}\Delta}$$

- $v_e$  appearance: mass hierarchy,  $\delta_{CP}$  and octant of  $\theta_{23}$
- $v_{\mu}$  disappearance: high precision  $|\Delta m_{32}|$  and  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$ , constrain octant From T. Patzak



# **Long Baseline Experiments**



Compare oscillation probabilities P( $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$ ) to P( $\overline{v}_{\mu} \rightarrow \overline{v}_{e}$ )

They are not the same due to:

- 1)  $\delta CP \neq 0$  or  $\pi$  (CP violation!!)
- 2) asymmetry due to matter effects (the Earth is made of matter)

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# **Long Baseline Experiments**



If the baseline is long enough, the matter effect dominates, and  $\delta CP$  and neutrino mass ordering disentangle.





# Long Baseline Experiments – Neutrino Signal

Real  $v_{\mu}$  as seen by  $\mu$ BooNE Neutrino flavour determined by outgoing lepton

Depending on neutrino energy, interactions can be quite complex (multiple products and showers)











- T2K Far Detector is Water Cherenkov (SuperK 50 ktons)
- Baseline is 295 km
- Both have narrow-band beams (off-axis) peaked at 0.6 GeV (T2K) and 1.9 GeV (NOVA)
- Most events are CCQE

- NOVA has functionally identical Near and Far detectors (finely grained liquid scintillator; 14kton far)
- Baseline is 810km
- Higher neutrino energy
  - DIS occurs





## Long Baseline Experiments – State of the Art T2K NOvA



P. Dunne Neutrino2020 https://zenodo.org/record/4154355#.YHA6zxKxVH4

A. Himmel Neutrino2020

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### Long Baseline Experiments – Future

Higher power beam (more stats)

Make a spectral measurement – use a wide band beam

And a longer baseline (completely disentangle mass ordering and CP violation)

Make a spectral measurement

use a wide band beam highly performing detectors



Measurement range spans 2 oscillation peaks Gain additional power on deltaCP

Downside – hit all forms of neutrino interactions. Need highly performing Near Detectors...



# **DUNE: international collaboration**



- 1298 collaborators
- 205 institutions
- 32 countries (plus CERN)



# DUNE is next generation neutrino oscillation experiment



Physics goals :

Neutrino oscillations : measure  $v_{\mu}$  disappearance +  $v_{e}$  and  $v_{\tau}$  appearance (both neutrino and anti-

neutrino modes)

Mass Ordering, leptonic CP Violation discovery,  $\theta_{23}$  octant and more in a single experiment +

physics beyond the Standard Model

Large underground detectors : Nucleon Decay searches, SuperNovae core collapse etc



# DUNE is next generation neutrino oscillation experiment



Far detectors at SURF: 4 x 17 kt Liquid Argon TPCs 1.5 km underground 1.2 MW wide-band beam from Fermilab (upgradable to 2.4 MW)

Near Detector to measure initial composition





# **Long Baseline Neutrino Facility**





# **LBNF** beam



- 120 GeV Main Injector proton beam
- 1.2 MW initial beampower, upgradeable to2.4 MW
- Beamline and focusing
  system optimized for CP
  violation sensitivity



# **Near detector system at Fermilab**



Predict the neutrino spectrum at the FD Measure interactions on Ar Measure neutrino energy Constrain x-section model Measure neutrino flux Obtain data with different fluxes Monitor the neutrino beam

Liquid Argon TPC Multi-Purpose Detector - HP gaseous Argon TPC + ECAL + Magnet 3D Scintillating Tracking Spectrometer



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# **Far detector at SURF**



- Sanford Underground Research Facility in Lead, South Dakota
- Four 17-kt LAr TPC modules, located 1.48 km underground
- Excavation
- first module operational in 2024
- Start of run: 2 FD modules, 1.2 MW beam power, with ND
- +1 year: 3 FD modules
  - +3 years: 4 FD modules
- +6 years: upgrade to 2.4 MW beam



#### **Neutrino Oscillations**

Measure appearance and disappearance for both neutrino and anti-neutrinos

disentangle Mass Ordering and CP effects Spectral measurement - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> maxima



# Sensitivity to CPV



Significant discovery potential over a large range of possible true  $\delta CP$  values in 7-10 years of (staged) running



# **Sensitivity to Mass Ordering**



Definitive determination of neutrino mass ordering (normal or inverted) for all possible parameters



#### LAr TPCs

- Gigantic detectors deep underground with excellent calorimetric and spatial resolution
- Wide off-beam physics program



#### Simulation





# non-beam physics: SuperNova burst

- Uniquely DUNE is sensitive to ve ve +  ${}^{40}Ar \rightarrow e^- + {}^{40}K^*$
- 5-50 MeV signals: efficient triggering + continuous data collection



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## neutron-antineutron oscillations

Baryon number violating BSM process Signature is a 'star' of charged and neutral pions







#### and more..

#### **Atmospheric Neutrinos**

Other **BSM physics** 

New particles:

light dark matter, boosted dark matter, heavy neutral leptons Deviations from PNMS v mixing paradigm: non-standard v interactions, non-unitarity, CPT or Lorentz violation ... etc...





# protoDUNEs

- Giant Liquid Argon TPCs (LArTPC) one Single-Phase, one Dual-Phase hosted at the CERN neutrino platform
- Necessary R&D step towards the DUNE Far Detectors
  - Tests of all engineering solutions and installation procedures
  - Use full-size components identical to those planned for DUNE FD
- 300t fiducial mass of LAr
  - Technology demonstrators
  - Demonstrate long term performance and stability
- Charged particle test beams to characterise detector response over the energy range of interest for DUNE (~0.5 GeV to 8 GeV)



Both prototypes are installed at CERN, in a dedicated extension of the North Area



# **Single Phase**



Horizontal drift, distance 3.6 m

Anode wires immersed in LAr

Vertical Anode and Cathode Plane Assemblies (APA,CPA) 1 collection, 2 induction wires at 37.7°, wire pitch 5 mm Photon detectors: light guides + SiPM,embedded in APAs



- Single Phase is modular
- Shorter drift lengths (and distance to photodetectors)
- Immersed cold electronics (inaccessible)



# A history of Single Phase LAr TPCs

ICARUS T-600 @ CNGS (2010-2012, 760 tons LAr)



Argoneut @ FNAL (2009-2010, 240 kg LAr)



Successfully reconstructed neutrino events from CNGS beam (~17 GeV)

Small TPC, precise measurements of crosssections and neutrino interactions

Sterile neutrino search. Neutrino event selection and reconstruction. Leads to protoDUNE Single Phase



MicroBooNE @ FNAL (2015-ongoing , 170 tons LAr)







taken from A. Chatterjee



Successful Beam test in 2018 (Sept-Nov) – pions, protons, kaons from 0.3-7GeV (~4M triggers) Achieved stable running, >5ms electron lifetime,S/N > 20



2 drift volumes, each with a 3.6 m drift distance

6 anode plane assemblies (APAs) (one far detector module has 150 APAs)

Cold electronics (preamplifier + digitizer) with 15360 channels.

HV at 180 kV, nominal E-field 500 V/cm









S/N ratio > 10 in all cases (> 40 for collection plane)

First results in Performance paper: JINST 15 (2020) 12, P12004









#### **Photon Detectors**

- 60 light collecting bars (10 per APA)
- 3 photodetector technologies tested one is ARAPUCA



• Improved X-ARAPUCA







# **Xe-doping**



Gas recirculation pump failure in July 2019

- N2 concentration increased from 0.2 ppm to 5.4 ppm and cannot be removed.
- Scintillation light yield reduced by 70%.
- Slow light component largely quenched.

18.9 ppm Xe was injected into LAr over 5 months 95% of light recovered





### **Dual Phase**



Vertical drift, distance 12 m

Ionization electrons extracted from LAr to gas Signal amplified in GAr by Large Electron Multiplier (LEM)

Charge collected on 2 orthogonal views, 3mm pitch

Photon detectors: PMTs below the cathode



- Dual Phase is homogeneous
- Drift is long (12m) (and distance to photodetectors)
- Cold Electronics at the top of the detector (accessible)



# A history of Dual Phase LAr TPCs

#### Small R&D TPCs





2007~2014









## **Charge Read Out Planes**

Each CRP is 3m x 3m and contains:

1 x Extraction Grid 36 x Large Electron Multipliers (0.5m x 0.5m) 36 x Anodes







# **Accessible Cold Electronics**

Specially developed signal chimneys

• 16-channel Cryogenic ASIC amplifiers close to the anodes but are also externally accessible! On the tank deck (warm): digital electronics

- Based on uTCA standard
- 1 uTCA crate/ signal chimney
- AMC card 64 channels, 12 bit ADC, 2.5 MHz
- 10 AMC cards (64 channels/card)
- Total of 12 uTCA crates (7,680 channels)











## **Dual Phase Status**

- Two runs of operation of ProtoDUNE Dual Phase (September 2019-spring 2020, and a short run during August 2020)
  - Experienced some technical issues
    - Short on Field cage (inhomogenous field)
    - Cryogenic issues bubbling
    - Reduced gain on charge readout
- Runs of Cosmic Ray muon data (~7 kHz muon rate)
- With CR muons
  - We can explore 3D response of detector
  - Determine operational parameters such as gain, purity etc
  - Demonstrate track reconstruction





### **Dual Phase - HV**

- Short between field cage and HV extender (08/19)
- Attempt to repair June 2020
- However situation not improved
- Cosmic Muon tracks appear curved due to inhomogenous Efield







#### **Dual Phase - CRP**

- Data taken between September 2019 and January 2020
- LEM 'charging up' effect reduces gain
- However, gain is factor 2 lower than expected
- LEMs appear to 'age' during the run
- Voltage was reduced on many of them to reduce sparking rate





#### **Vertical Drift**

New 'Single Phase' concept - Synergy of Single and Dual Phase

Replace Wire Planes for Charge Readout with perforated PCB Photodetectors embedded in Cathode





# **Vertical Drift - PhotoDetectors**

Square Arapuca Tiles embedded in Cathode

But ... why not ... Cover field cage and cathode... ..and.. Increase Light Output by Xe-doping

Lowers SN threshold and solar neutrinos?









# **Vertical Drift**

Challenge – SiPMs embedded in cathode (at -300 kV)

Power and Signal Read-out via optical fiber

Two solutions being explored:

- Complete Digital solution (ADCs, FPGA, digital transmission)

- Analog Optical Transceiver







#### Summary

- DUNE will measure neutrino and antineutrino oscillations over a 1300 km baseline with four 17kt LAr TPCs deployed in stages
- Two far detector designs **Horizontal** and **Vertical Drift**
- First detector module will be Horizontal Drift
- Large underground detectors can do other interesting physics searches (BSM such as Nucleon decay, detect galactic Core-Collapse SN etc)

