Neutrino Physics

What exactly is a "Neutrino" and How Does it Interact? (and what good is it for studying QCD?)

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Objectives of this Lecture

- Birth of Neutrino Physics
- Growing Pains the puzzles come much more rapidly than the solutions
- Vocabulary of Neutrino Physics
- Where do we stand today with the question "What is a neutrino?" - the current challenges

If some time can be found at this evening's recitation

 How do neutrinos (in a particular state) interact with matter and contribute to QCD studies

(Thanks for slides/figures to B. Kayser and K. McFarland)

Neutrinos Are Everywhere!

Neutrinos outnumber ordinary matter particles in the Universe (electrons, protons, neutrons) by a huge factor (10^8 or so).

- Depending on their masses they may account for a fraction (% or two?) of the "dark matter"
- Neutrinos are important for stellar dynamics: ~ 6.6×10¹⁰ cm⁻²s⁻¹ stream through the Earth from the sun. Neutrinos also govern Supernovae dynamics, and hence heavy element production.
- Neutrinos carry most (~99%) of the energy from a Supernova explosion
- large numbers formed at the time of the big bang are still whizzing around the Universe ("relic neutrinos"). ~400 / cm³ of space.
- To understand the nature of the Universe in which we live we must understand the properties of the neutrino.
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A bit of history... 1930 - Wolfgang Pauli Dear Radioactive Ladies and Gentlemen....

Dear Radioactive Ladies and Gentlemen,

As the bearer of these lines, to whom I graciously ask you to listen, will explain to you in more detail, how because of the "wrong" statistics of the N and Li6 nuclei and the continuous beta spectrum, I have hit upon a desperate remedy to save the "exchange theorem" of statistics and the law of conservation of energy. Namely, the possibility that there could exist in the nuclei electrically neutral particles, that I wish to call neutrons, which have spin 1/2 and obey the exclusion principle and which further differ from light quanta in that they do not travel with the velocity of light. The mass of the neutrons should be of the same order of magnitude as the electron mass and in any event not larger than 0.01 proton masses. The continuous beta spectrum would then become understandable by the assumption that in beta decay a neutron is emitted in addition to the electron such that the sum of the energies of the neutron and the electron is constant

Unfortunately, I cannot appear in Tubingen personally since I am indispensable here in Zurich because of a ball on the night of 6/7 December. With my best regards to you, and also to Mr Back.

Your humble servant,

W. Pauli





Volfraup Pauli



Within a year Pauli was under analysis with C. Jung

N. Bohr suggested energy not conserved in β decays
 L. Meitner proposed β⁻ loses energy through secondary interactions in nulceus yielding gamma rays

First Calculation of Neutrino Cross Sections using the "Fermi" theory from 1932

Bethe-Peierls (1934): calculation of first cross-section for inverse beta reaction using Fermi's theory for:

 $\overline{\nu_e} + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ or $\nu_e + n \rightarrow p + e^-$

yields:

$$\sigma \approx 10^{-44} \ cm^2$$
 for $E(\overline{\nu}) = 2 \ MeV$

This means that the mean free path of a neutrino in water is:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n\sigma} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{21} \, cm \approx 1600 \quad light - years$$

Experimentalists groaned - need a very intense source of v's to detect inverse Beta decay

Project Poltergeist from 1950's



I. Explode bomb II.At same time let detector fall in vacuum tank III. Detect neutrinos IV. Collect Nobel prize

OK – but repeatability is a bit of a problem

They Finally Found the Right Source -Experimental Detection of the Neutrino

In nuclear reactors fission of ${}_{92}U^{235}$ produces chain of beta reactions $(A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+1) + e^- + \overline{\nu_e} \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + e^- + \overline{\nu_e} \rightarrow \dots$ $N_{\overline{\nu}} \approx 5.6 \times 10^{20} \ s^{-1} \ in \ 4\pi$ $\overline{\nu_e} + p \rightarrow n + e^+ \quad \text{or} \quad \nu_e + n \rightarrow p + e^- \qquad 26 \text{ YEARS LATER!!}$

Reines and Cowan detect in 1953 (Hanford) (discovery confirmed 1956 in Savannah River)

1) Detection of two back-to-back γ 's from prompt signal e+e--> $\gamma\gamma$ at t=0.

2) Neutron thermalization: neutron capture in Cd, emission of late γ 's

Scintillator $H_2O + CdCl_2$ Scintillator

 $\sigma = (11 \pm 2.6) \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ (within 5\% of expected)}$

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Existence of "second" neutrino v_{μ} established in 1962 by Schwartz, Lederman}\\ \text{and Steinberger at Brookhaven National Laboratory} \end{array}$

First direct evidence for the third (and last?) neutrino - v_{τ} - by the DONUT collaboration at Fermilab in 2000 70 years after the Pauli hypothesis.

Power of the Neutrino

 $\overline{\nu_e} + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ or $\nu_e + n \rightarrow p + e^-$

- Neutrinos are picky and "taste" only specific flavors of quarks.
 - **v** Neutrinos interact with d, s, \overline{u} and \overline{c}
 - Antineutrinos interact with u, c, \overline{d} and \overline{s}
- Neutrinos have the power to change the flavor of the quark with which they interact.
- Chirality/ Iso-spin arguments dictate the selection criteria (more later)

Where the Puzzles Start...Solar Neutrinos

 10^{12} solar v's/sec pass through your brain

Nuclear reactions in the core of the sun produce v_e and only v_e .

In 1968, Ray Davis' Homestake experiment measured the higher-E part of the v_e flux ϕ_{v_e} that arrives at earth using a huge tank of "cleaning fluid" and $v_e + {}^{37}\text{Cl} \longrightarrow {}^{37}\text{Ar} + e^{-1}$

Theorists, especially John Bahcall, calculated the produced v_e solar flux vs. E and predicted that Davis should see



36 Ar atoms per month.

 $\frac{\phi_{v_e} (\text{Homestake})}{\phi_{v_e} (\text{Theory})} = 0.34 \pm 0.06$

What was going on?

The Possible Solutions:

The theory was wrong.The experiment was wrong.Both were wrong.

The most radical - NEITHER was wrong. 2/3 of the solar v_e flux "disappears" on the way to earth

(changes into something that the Homestake experiment could not see).

Next Puzzle - Atmospheric Neutrinos





2 GeV cosmic rays hit the earth isotropically, and we expect:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\phi_{\nu_{\mu}} (\text{Up})}{\phi_{\nu_{\mu}} (\text{Down})} \approx 1.0$$

However, Super-Kamiokande (50 kT water) found for $E_v > 1.3$ GeV

$$\frac{\phi_{\nu\mu}(Up)}{\phi_{\nu\mu}(Down)} \stackrel{=}{\to} 0.54 \pm 0.04 .$$

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Resolution of the Atmospheric Neutrino Anomaly



Upward-going muon neutrinos depleted, while upwardgoing electron neutrinos slightly higher than expected

VERY suggestive of Neutrino Oscillations Green curve in above figures¹²

Resolution of Solar Neutrino Puzzle: <u>Neutrinos Change Flavor Between the Sun and the Earth</u>

Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO) measures (high E part):

$$\begin{split} \nu_{sol} d &\to e \ p \ p \ \Rightarrow \phi_{\nu_e} \\ \nu_{sol} d &\to \nu \ n \ p \ \Rightarrow \phi_{\nu_e} + \phi_{\nu_{\mu}} + \phi_{\nu_{\tau}} \ \text{Total} \ \nu_{sol} \ \text{flux} \\ \frac{\phi_{\nu_e}}{\phi_{\nu_e}} = 0.340 \pm 0.023 \ (\text{stat}) \pm 0.030 \ (\text{syst}) \end{split}$$

Total Flux of Neutrinos

SNO: $\phi_{v_e} + \phi_{v_{\mu}} + \phi_{v_{\tau}} = (4.94 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.36) \times 10^6 / \text{cm}^2 \text{sec}$

Theory: $\phi_{\text{total}} = (5.69 \pm 0.91) \times 10^{6} / \text{cm}^2 \text{sec}$

BOTH RAY DAVIS AND JOHN BAHCALL WERE RIGHT

Oscillation Hypothesis confirmed by KamLAND Reactor Results



Smiling John

What are Neutrino Oscillations? Flavor States

 Neutrinos come in (at least) three flavors. Each of the flavors are associated with a charged lepton flavor.



Massive neutrinos...?

The neutrino of flavor α , ν_{α} , is the one created in W decay together with ℓ_{α} , and the one that, when it creates a charged lepton, creates ℓ_{α} .

But if neutrinos have masses, and leptons mix, then during a *long* journey, a neutrino born as v_{α} can evolve into something *different* that can create a charged lepton ℓ_{β} of a different flavor from the ℓ_{α} with which v_{α} was born.

Neutrino Mass and Leptonic mixing

There is some spectrum of 3 or more neutrino mass eigenstates v_i :



Another way to look at W decay



A given ℓ_{α}^{+} can be accompanied by any v_{i} .

 $Amp(W^+ \rightarrow \ell_{\alpha}^{+} + \nu_i) = U^*_{\alpha i}$

The neutrino state $|v_{\alpha}\rangle$ produced together with ℓ_{α}^{+}

is
$$|v_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{i} U^*_{\alpha i} |v_i\rangle$$
.

Mass ← → Flavor

Just as each neutrino of definite flavor v_{α} is a superposition of mass eigenstates v_i , so each mass eigenstate is a superposition of flavors.

From $|\mathbf{v}_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{i} U^{*}_{\alpha i} |\mathbf{v}_{i}\rangle$ and the unitarity of U, $|\mathbf{v}_{i}\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} U_{\alpha i} |\mathbf{v}_{\alpha}\rangle$.

The flavor- α fraction of v_i is $-|\langle v_{\alpha} | v_i \rangle|^2 = |U_{\alpha i}|^2$.

Propagation

- The U_{lm} are known as the leptonic mixing matrix U.
- The flavor state ν_α is a superposition of several mass states with differing masses which cause them to propagate differently yielding neutrino oscillations.
- The amplitude for the transformation $v_{\alpha} \rightarrow v_{\alpha'}$ is:

$$A(v_{1} \rightarrow v_{1'}) = \sum A(v_{1} \text{ is } v_{m})A(v_{m} \text{ propagates})A(v_{m} \text{ is } v_{1'})$$
$$A(v_{m} \text{ propagates}) = \exp\left(-i\frac{M_{m}^{2}}{2}\frac{L}{E}\right)$$

Oscillating between two different types of v



2-Flavor Oscillation

 As an example, if there are only two flavors involved in the oscillations then the U matrix takes on the following form and the probability (square of the amplitude) can be expressed as:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & e^{i\delta} \sin\theta \\ -e^{-i\delta} \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$
$$P(v_1 \rightarrow v_{1'}) = \frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{\sin^2} \frac{\sin^2 \left[1.27\Delta m^2 (eV^2) \frac{L(km)}{E(GeV)}\right]}$$
with $\Delta m^2 = M_2^2 - M_1^2$

• Life is more complicated with 3 flavors, but the principle is the same and we get bonus of possible CP violations as in the quark sector $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_e) \neq P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_e)$.

• The components of U now involve θ_{13} , θ_{23} , θ_{12} and δ and the probabilities involve Δm_{13} , Δm_{23} and Δm_{12} .

Basic 3-flavor Oscillation Phenomenology

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{e} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\mu} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\tau} \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{1} \\ \mathbf{v}_{2} \\ \mathbf{v}_{3} \end{pmatrix} \implies U = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\delta} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij} \qquad s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij}$$
"Solar" "Atmospheric CP Violation "????"

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu_{\theta}\nu_{\mu}(\bar{\nu}_{\theta}\bar{\nu}_{\mu})}(x) &= s_{23}^{2}\sin^{2}2\theta_{13}\sin^{2}\left[\frac{\Delta m_{23}^{2}}{4E}x\right] \\ P_{\nu_{\theta}\nu_{\tau}(\bar{\nu}_{\theta}\bar{\nu}_{\tau})}(x) &= c_{23}^{2}\sin^{2}2\theta_{13}\sin^{2}\left[\frac{\Delta m_{23}^{2}}{4E}x\right] \qquad \left|\Delta m_{12}^{2}\right| < <\left|\Delta m_{23}^{2}\right|, \left|\Delta m_{13}^{2}\right| \approx \left|\Delta m_{23}^{2}\right| \\ P_{\nu_{\mu}\nu_{\tau}(\bar{\nu}_{\mu}\bar{\nu}_{\tau})}(x) &= c_{13}^{4}\sin^{2}2\theta_{23}\sin^{2}\left[\frac{\Delta m_{23}^{2}}{4E}x\right] \end{aligned}$$

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The Neutrino Mixing matrix is quite different than the standard quark mixing matrix - why?



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How are experimental neutrino oscillation results presented?



 $\sin^2 \Theta_{12} = (0.31 \pm .03)$

Solar + KamLAND

 $\Delta m_{23} = (2.2 + .37) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$ $\sin^2 \Theta_{23} = (0.50 \pm .06)$

SuperK + K2K

 $\Delta m_{13} \approx \Delta m_{23}$ $\sin^2 \Theta_{13} < 0.046 (3\sigma)$

Chooz

Speaking of experiments... how do we measure these parameters?



The MINOS Experiment **Two** Neutrino Detectors 735 km apart



2.54 cm thick magnetized (1.2T) steel plates4.1x1cm scintillator strips:orthogonal U,V planes

	Far Det	Near Det
Mass(kt)	5.4	1
Size(m ³)	8x8	3.8x4.8
SteelScint. Planes	484/484	282/152

MINOS Best-Fit

7.2 x 10²⁰ POT

• Observe **1986** events in FD expect **2451** with no oscillations



• $\Delta m^2 = 2.35 \frac{+0.11}{-0.08} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 (68\% \text{ CL}), \sin^2(2\theta) > 0.91 (90\% \text{ CL})$

How to interpret oscillation results



Latest MINOS Results compared to SK



Super-Kamiokande Collaboration (preliminary)

 $|\Delta m^2| = 2.35^{+0.11}_{-0.08} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ $\sin^2(2\theta) > 0.91 (90\% \text{ C.L.})$

- Contour includes effects of dominant systematic uncertainties
 - normalization
 - NC background
 - shower energy
 - track energy

A representation of our knowledge ...



Where Does This Come From?



A Global Fit to Neutrino Data

Dominated by

parameter	best fit	2σ	3σ	
$\Delta m^2_{21} [10^{-5} {\rm eV}^2]$	$7.65\substack{+0.23\\-0.20}$	7.25-8.11	7.05-8.34	KamLAND
$ \Delta m^2_{31} [10^{-3} { m eV}^2]$	$2.40\substack{+0.12\-0.11}$	2.18 - 2.64	2.07 - 2.75	MINOS
$\sin^2 heta_{12}$	$0.304\substack{+0.022\\-0.016}$	0.27 - 0.35	0.25-0.37	SNO
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.50\substack{+0.07 \\ -0.06}$	0.39–0.63	0.36-0.67	SuperK
$\sin^2 heta_{13}$	$0.01\substack{+0.016\\-0.011}$	≤ 0.040	≤ 0.056	Chooz

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How are we doing?

- We are doing pretty well.... right?
- Yes, we seem to have a pretty good experimental grasp with neutrino oscillations.
- However.... we now have enough data to look at acceleratorbased oscillations with antineutrinos.



First MINOS Antineutrino Results



Comparison to Neutrinos



Comparison to Neutrinos



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Never Become Too Sure of Things with Neutrinos! ...and MiniBooNE antineutrino result

- In addition to the MINOS antineutrino results, MiniBooNE has new antineutrino results and found...
- Antineutrino results NOT consistent with their neutrino results but consistent with an older LSND antineutrino result indicating the need for an apparent antineutrino oscillation with (best fit point):

 $\Delta m^2 = .064 \text{ eV}^2$ $\sin^2 2\theta = .96$

 ... we really didn't need this, thank you. But it points out that the neutrino sector is perhaps even more complex than we thought and needs much more study / statistics.

How does $\Delta m^2 = .064 \text{ eV}^2$ fit in???? Do we need additional "sterile" neutrinos?



What's going on, where are we in our quest to understand "the neutrino"? Think of a game of chess....

Given this end game:



What's going on? A view of the complexity of the situation from Stephen Parke

Given this end game:



Deduce the rules of chess!!! 40

Neutrino Oscillations:

Current Challenges: Where are we going from here?

- The dominant oscillation parameters will be known reasonably well from solar/ reactor v and from SuperK, K2K, MINOS, CNGS FOR NEUTRINOS
 - ▼ Increase precision on the "Solar" and "Atmospheric" parameters is θ_{23} exactly 45°??
- The physics issues to be investigated are clearly delineated:
 - 1. Need measurement of missing oscillation probability ($\theta_{13} = \theta_{\mu e}$)
 - 2. Need determination of mass hierarchy (sign of Δm_{13})
 - 3. WHAT ABOUT ANTINEUTRINOS?
 - 4. Search for **CP violation** in neutrino sector
 - 5. Measurement of **CP violation parameters phase** δ
 - 6. Testing **CPT** with high precision

All can be accomplished with the $\nu_{\mu} \Rightarrow \nu_{e}$ transition or the relative height of the 1st and 2nd oscillation maxima in ν and ν

- **NOvA experiment** to measure the sub-dominant $v_{\mu} \Rightarrow v_{e}$.
- Fermilab \rightarrow DUSEL experiment to measure 1st and 2nd oscillation maxima.

$P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e})$ on one slide (3 generations)



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Fine, even though we are not entirely sure what a neutrino "IS"

We can ask how do we use the flavor states to study QCD?

The "Weak Interaction"

Fermi Theory - Current-Current Interaction

1934 Paper rejected by *Nature* because it contains speculations too remote from reality to be of interest to the reader!!

Developed by Fermi in 1932 to describe nuclear β -decay inspired by the success of "current-current" description of electromagnetic interactions:



Weak interactions are maximally parity violating:

 $J_{\mu} \propto \left(\overline{u}_{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} \left(1 - \gamma_{5} \right) u_{e} \right)$

Only left-handed fermions, and right-handed anti-fermions, participate in the CC weak interaction!

What is A Weak Interaction?

• An example weak process involving neutrinos, which only feel weak interactions



- For a realistic experiment, the neutrino beam energy is on the order of 100 GeV, so the total center of mass energy is less than 1 GeV
- But W boson rest mass is 80 GeV!!

What is A Weak Interaction - continued?

- Solution... "borrow" energy from the vacuum for a short time.
- Numerically, if we have to borrow 80 GeV, *t*~8x10⁻²⁷s.

 $\Delta E \Delta t \ge \frac{\hbar}{2}$ $\therefore t \sim \frac{\hbar}{\Delta E}$

- Implies the W can travel only 2.5x10⁻¹⁸ m, so the weak interaction is very short range.
- Weak interactions are weak because of the massive W and Z bosons exchange $\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \propto \frac{1}{(q^2 M^2)^2}$

There are Actually Two Neutrino Weak Interactions

• W exchange gives Charged-Current (CC) events and Z exchange gives Neutral-Current (NC) events Charged-Current (CC) Neutral-Current (NC) In charged-current events, Interactions



Chirality in CC v-quark Scattering

- Total spin determines inelasticity distribution
 - Familiar from neutrinoelectron scattering



$$\frac{d\sigma^{vp}}{dxdy} = \frac{G_F^2 s}{\pi} \left(x d(x) + \bar{xu}(x)(1-y)^2 \right)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma^{\bar{v}p}}{dxdy} = \frac{G_F^2 s}{\pi} \left(x \bar{d}(x) + x u(x)(1-y)^2 \right)$$

How does Neutrino Scattering Contribute to Studies of QCD? Parton Interpretation



Neutrino scatters off a point-like parton inside the nucleon. Valid picture at high energies

In "infinite momentum frame", x is momentum of partons inside the nucleon

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = \frac{Q^2}{2M_T v}$$

v-quark Scattering

 We know that the helicity combinations (LL,RR = vq, vq) are J=0 combinations with flat-y dependence, and LR,RL combinations (vq, vq) are J=1 combinations with (1-y)² dependence.

• From weak-isospin we see that neutrinos scatter from $T_3=-1/2$, anti-nu from $T_3=+1/2$

$$\frac{d\sigma^{v_p}}{dxdy} = \frac{G^2 s}{\pi} \left(x d(x) + x s(x) + x \overline{u}(x) (1-y)^2 \right)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma^{\overline{v_p}}}{dxdy} = \frac{G^2 s}{\pi} \left(x \overline{d}(x) + x \overline{s}(x) + x u(x) (1-y)^2 \right)$$

(ignoring c, b,t quarks., c quark mass)



Neutrino Deep-inelastic Scattering

- Deep inelastic neutrino-nucleon scattering reactions have large q^2 $(q^2 >> m_N^2, E_{,} >> m_N): V_l(p) + N \rightarrow l^-(p') + X$
- Quark-parton model valid due to asymptotic freedom of QCD, which makes quarks behave as free point-like particles.
- Infinite momentum frame: a parton takes a fraction x (0<x<1), of momentum when struck by a neutrino. Final quark state:

$$(xp_N + q)^2 = m_q^2 \Rightarrow x \approx -\frac{q^2}{2p_N \cdot q}$$
 if $q^2 >> m_q^2$

variables in DIS:

Bjorken Variables

 $-q^2 = Q^2$

 $2q \cdot p_N \quad 2Mv$

 $p \cdot p_N \quad E \quad 2MEx$

$$s = (p + p_N)^2 \approx 2ME_v = 2ME$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(p + p')^2 = 4EE' \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$W^2 = E_X^2 - p_X^2 = -Q^2 + 2Mv + M^2$$

$$v = \frac{q \cdot p_N}{M} = E - E'$$

$$y = \frac{q \cdot p_N}{p \cdot p_N} = \frac{v}{E} = \frac{Q^2}{2ME}$$

Neutrino Deep-inelastic Scattering



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$$F_{2}^{\nu p}(x) = 2x[d(x) + \overline{u}(x) + s(x) + \overline{c}(x)]$$

$$xF_{3}^{\nu p}(x) = 2x[d(x) - \overline{u}(x) + s(x) - \overline{c}(x)]$$

$$F_{2}^{\overline{\nu}p}(x) = 2x[u(x) + c(x) + \overline{d}(x) + \overline{s}(x)]$$

$$xF_{3}^{\overline{\nu}p}(x) = 2x[u(x) + c(x) - \overline{d}(x) - \overline{s}(x)]$$

□ Neutron (isospin symmetry): $F_2^{\nu n}(x) = 2x \left[u(x) + \overline{d}(x) + s(x) + \overline{c}(x) \right]$ $xF_3^{\nu n}(x) = 2x \left[u(x) - \overline{d}(x) + s(x) - \overline{c}(x) \right]$

Total DIS Cross Sections



Quark and Anti-quark Densities from v DIS

Quark content of nucleons from CC cross-sections Define:

$$U = \int_0^1 x u(x) dx \, , \, etc.$$

Experimental values from y distribution of cross-sections yields:

$$\frac{\overline{Q}}{Q+\overline{Q}} = 0.15 \pm 0.03 \quad \frac{S}{Q+\overline{Q}} = 0.00 \pm 0.03 \qquad \frac{\overline{Q}+S}{Q+\overline{Q}} = 0.16 \pm 0.01$$

$$\square \quad \text{If} \quad r \equiv \frac{\sigma_{cc}(\overline{v}N)}{\sigma_{cc}(vN)} = 0.493 \pm 0.016 \text{ (measured)} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{\overline{Q}}{Q} = \frac{3r-1}{3-r} \approx 0.19$$

$$Q_V = Q - \overline{Q} \approx 0.33 \qquad Q_S = \overline{Q}_S = \overline{Q} \approx 0.08$$

$$\int_0^1 F_2^{vN}(x) dx = Q + \overline{Q} \approx 0.49$$

 Quarks and antiquarks carry 49% of proton momentum, valence quarks only 33% and sea quarks only 16%.

Latest v DIS Scattering Results - NuTeV

The NuTeV Experiment at Fermilab the most recent neutrino experiment to investigate QCD:

NuTeV accumulated over 3 million v/v events with $20 \le E_v \le 400$ GeV.

NuTeV considered 23 systematic uncertainties.

NuTeV agrees with charge lepton data for x < 0.5. Perhaps smaller nuclear correction at high-x for neutrino scattering.

NuTeV F₂ and xF₃ agrees with **theory** for medium x. At low x different Q² dependence. At high x (x>0.6) NuTeV is systematically higher.

NuTeV F_2 Measurement on Iron



- Isoscalar v-Fe F₂
- NuTeV F₂ is compared with earlier results the line is a fit to NuTeV data
- All systematic uncertainties are included
- All data sets agree for 0.1<x<0.4.
- At *x*>0.4 **NuTeV** is systematically above earlier results

Comparison with Theory for F_2





- Very exciting times in Neutrino Physics
- Neutrinos not only have surprised us with a small but significant mass but they are demonstrating mixing in a very different manner than quarks... why?
- Are antineutrino oscillations really so different than neutrino oscillations?
- Still many open questions in the neutrino sector? Very crucial but experimentally very difficult questions to answer:
- Neutrinos, with their ability to taste particular quarks can add significantly to our QCD studies if we can only determine how nuclear effects mask their quark level interactions.

QCD and v scattering

• QCD therefore predicts the Q² evolution of the structure functions in terms of



Neutrino Deep-inelastic Scattering

■ Neutrino proton CC scattering: $V_{\mu}(p) + p \rightarrow \mu^{-}(p') + X$ u(x)dx = number of u-quarks in proton between x and x+dx $u(x) = u_V(x) + u_S(x)$ $d(x) = d_V(x) + d_S(x)$ In the sea: $u_S(x) = \overline{u}(x)$ $d_S(x) = \overline{d}(x)$

For proton (uud):
$$\int_{0}^{1} u_{V}(x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} [u(x) - \overline{u}(x)] dx = 2$$
$$\int_{0}^{1} d_{V}(x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} [d(x) - \overline{d}(x)] dx = 1$$

Scattering off quarks:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{cc}(v_{\mu}q)}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma_{cc}(\overline{v}_{\mu}\overline{q})}{dy} = \frac{2G_{F}^{2}m_{q}E}{\pi} \quad \text{with } y = 1 - \frac{E}{E'} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma_{cc}(v_{\mu}\overline{q})}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma_{cc}(\overline{v}_{\mu}q)}{dy} = \frac{2G_{F}^{2}m_{q}E}{\pi}(1 - y)^{2}$$

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Experimental Studies of Nuclear Effects with Neutrinos: NON-EXISTENT



• F_2 / nucleon changes as a function of A. Measured in μ/e - A, **not in \nu - A**

Good reason to consider nuclear effects are DIFFERENT in ν - A.

- ▼ Presence of axial-vector current.
- ▼ Different nuclear effects for valance and sea --> different shadowing for xF₃ compared to F₂.

F₂ Structure Function Ratios: v-Iron



Structure Function Extraction



NuTeV xF_3 Measurement on Fe



 $xF_3(x, \boldsymbol{Q}^2)$

- Isoscalar v-Fe xF₃
- NuTeV xF₃ is compared with earlier results the line is a fit to NuTeV data
- All systematic uncertainties are included
- All data sets agree for 0.1<x<0.4.
- At *x*>0.4 **NuTeV** is systematically above earlier results

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Comparison with Theory for xF_3



- Baseline is TRVFS(MRST2001E).
- NuTeV and CCFR xF_3 are compared to TRVFS(MRST2001E) $xF_3^{NuTeV} - xF_3^{TRVFS}$

 xF_3^{TRVFS}

- Theoretical models shown are:
 ACOT(CTEQ6M)
 - ACOT(CTEQ5HQ1)
 - TRVFS (MRST2001E)
- theory curves are corrected for:
 target mass (H. Georgi and H. D. Politzer,
- NuTeV xF₃ agrees with theory for medium x.
- At low x different Q² dependence.
- At high x (x>0.6) NuTeV is systematically higher.
- <u>nuclear effects parameterization from</u> <u>charge lepton data, assumed to be the same</u> <u>for neutrino scattering ----- WRONG!</u>

Are we sure it is oscillations?



†G.L. Fogli et al., PRD 67:093006 (2003) ‡V. Barger et al., PRL 82:2640 (1999)

Electroweak Theory

- Standard Model
 - SU(2) ⊗ U(1) gauge theory unifying weak/EM
 ⇒ weak NC follows from EM, Weak CC
 - Measured physical parameters related to mixing parameter for the couplings, $g'=g \tan \theta_W$

Z Couplings	g_L	g_R	$\sigma^2 \sqrt{2} M$
$\overline{\nu_{e},\nu_{\mu},\nu_{\tau}}$	1/2	0	$e = g \sin \theta_W, G_F = \frac{g \sqrt{2}}{2M^2}, \frac{M_W}{M} = \cos \theta_W$
<i>e</i> , μ, τ	$-1/2 + \sin^2 \theta_W$	$\sin^2 \theta_w$	$8M_W M_Z$
<i>u</i> , <i>c</i> , <i>t</i>	$1/2 - 2/3 \sin^2 \theta_W$	$-2/3 \sin^2 \theta_{W}$	μ^{-} Charged-Current μ^{ν}
d , s , b	$-1/2 + 1/3 \sin^2 \theta_{\rm W}$	$^{1/3}\sin^{2 heta}{}_{ extsf{W}}$	

- Neutrinos are special in SM
 - Right-handed neutrino has NO interactions!



Milestones in the History of Neutrino Physics

- 1930 Pauli postulates the existence of the neutrino
- 1934 Enrico Fermi develops a comprehensive theory of radioactive decays, including Pauli's hypothetical particle, which Fermi coins the neutrino (Italian: "little neutral one").
- 1959 Discovery of a particle fitting the expected characteristics of the neutrino is announced by Clyde Cowan and Fred Reines.
- 1962 Experiment at Brookhaven National Laboratory discovered a second type of neutrino $(v_{\mu})_{\mu}$
- 1968 The first experiment to detect v_e produced by the Sun's burning (using a liquid Chlorine target deep underground) reports that less than half the expected neutrinos are observed.
- 1985 The IMB experiment observes fewer atmospheric v_{μ} interactions than expected.
- 1989 Kamiokande becomes the second experiment to detect v_e from the Sun finding only about 1/3 the expected rate.
- 1994 Kamiokande finds that v_{μ} traveling the greatest distances from the point of production to the detector exhibit the greatest depletion.
- 1997 Super-Kamiokande reports a deficit of cosmic-ray v_{μ} and solar v_{e} , at rates agreeing with earlier experiments.
- 1998 The Super-Kamiokande collaboration announces evidence of non-zero neutrino mass at the Neutrino '98 conference.
- 2000 First direct evidence for the v_{τ} announced at Fermilab by DONUT collaboration.
- 2004 K2K Experiment confirms (with limited statistics) Super -Kamiokande discovery .
- ◆ 2005 MINOS starts data-taking to STUDY Neutrino Oscillation Phenomena

Neutrino Structure Functions Wonderfully Efficient in Isolating Quark Flavors

Recall Neutrinos have the ability to directly resolve flavor of the nucleon's constituents: v interacts with d, s, u, and c while v interacts with u, c, d and s.

Using Leading order expressions:

$$F_{2}^{VN}(x,Q^{2}) = x\left[u + \overline{u} + d + \overline{d} + 2\overline{s} + 2c\right]$$

$$F_{2}^{VN}(x,Q^{2}) = x\left[u + \overline{u} + d + \overline{d} + 2\overline{s} + 2\overline{c}\right]$$

$$xF_{3}^{\overline{V}N}(x,Q^{2}) = x\left[u + d - \overline{u} - \overline{d} - 2\overline{s} + 2c\right]$$

$$xF_{3}^{VN}(x,Q^{2}) = x\left[u + d - \overline{u} - \overline{d} + 2\overline{s} - 2\overline{c}\right]$$

Taking combinations of the Structure functions

$$F_{2}^{\nu} - xF_{3}^{\nu} = 2(\overline{u} + \overline{d} + 2\overline{c})$$

$$F_{2}^{\overline{\nu}} - xF_{3}^{\overline{\nu}} = 2(\overline{u} + \overline{d} + 2\overline{s})$$

$$xF_{3}^{\nu} - xF_{3}^{\overline{\nu}} = 2[(s + \overline{s}) - (\overline{c} + c)]$$

Momentum Distributions and Parton Universality

- It is straightforward to relate the structure functions from charged lepton and neutrino scattering.
- The fact that they are in good agreement justifies earlier claims of parton universality!



QCD and Scaling Violations

At higher order in QCD the nucleon looks somewhat different



$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = 12\pi/[(33-2N_f)\ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)]$$

Calculations of the structure functions in terms of parton distributions now are somewhat more complicated and involve the "splitting functions"

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Pqq(x/y) = probability of finding a quark with momentum x within a quark with momentum y

Pgq(x/y) = probability of finding a quark with momentum x within a gluon with momentum y.

$$P_{qq}(z) = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{(1-z)} + 2\delta(1-z) \qquad P_{gq}(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left[z^2 + (1-z)^2 \right]$$

Heavy Quark Production

 Production of heavy quarks like charm requires a re-examination of the parton kinematics:

$$(q + \zeta p)^2 = m_c^2$$
$$q^2 + 2\zeta p \bullet q + \zeta^2 M^2 = m_c^2$$

$$\zeta \approx \frac{Q^2 + m_c^2}{2M\nu} = \frac{Q^2 + m_c^2}{Q^2/x}$$
$$\zeta \approx x \left(1 + \frac{m_c^2}{Q^2}\right)$$



"slow rescaling" - The effects of the ~ 1 GeV charm mass are not negligible even at 100 GeV neutrino energy.

Charm identified through decays to μ +, di-muon events allow measurement of:

- CKM matrix elements
- m_c from threshold behavior
- s and sbar quark distributions
Probability for v_e Apperance

 $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e} \text{ in vacumn}) = P_{1} + P_{2} + P_{3} + P_{4}$

• $P_1 = \sin^2(\theta_{23}) \sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m_{13}^2 L/E)$ "Atmospheric"

• $P_2 = \cos^2(\theta_{23}) \sin^2(2\theta_{12}) \sin^2(1.27 \Delta m_{12}^2 L/E)$ "Solar"

• $P_3 = J \sin(\delta) \sin(1.27 \Delta m_{13}^2 L/E)$ Atmospheric-• $P_4 = J \cos(\delta) \cos(1.27 \Delta m_{13}^2 L/E)$ Atmosphericsolar interference

where $J = cos(\theta_{13}) sin(2\theta_{12}) sin(2\theta_{13}) sin(2\theta_{23}) sin(1.27 \Delta m_{13}^2 L/E) sin(1.27 \Delta m_{12}^2 L/E)$ E)

In matter at oscillation maximum, P_1 will be approximately multiplied by $(1 \pm 2E/E_R)$ and P_3 and P_4 will be approximately multiplied by $(1 \pm E/E_R)$ ($E_R \approx 11$ GeV for the earth's Crust), where the top sign is for neutrinos with normal mass hierarchy and antineutrinos with inverted mass hierarchy. This is about $\pm 30\%$ effect for NuMI, about $\pm 11\%$ effect for T2K