



T2K results and plans ICPPA 2018

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3-flavour neutrino oscillations



- Long baseline experiments can measure:
 - θ_{23} and Δm_{32}^2 via disappearance channel
 - θ_{13} and δ_{CP} via appearance channel
 - Mass ordering



The T2K experiment

- Long baseline neutrino oscillation experiment in Japan
 - ν_{μ} beam produced at J-PARC, Tokai
 - Near detectors at J-PARC, 280m downstream of target
 - Super-Kamiokande (SK) far detector, 295km downstream of target in Kamioka
 - Off-axis beam produces energy spectrum peaked at 0.6 GeV
- \blacksquare Precision measurements of ν_{μ} disappearance
- \blacksquare Originally designed to discover ν_e appearance
- Currently searching for CP-violation



Neutrino beamline

- Three horn magnets focus π to produce ν -mode or $\bar{\nu}$ -mode beam
- Stable beam running at 485kW
- Delivered 3.16×10^{21} total protons on target (POT)
- Analysis presented uses 2.65×10^{21} POT

Accumulated POT

35 30

25 20

15

10

2010

201

2012

2013

2014



Analysis approach

- Neutrino flux model
 - Simulation and NA61 and T2K replica target data on π and K yields
- Neutrino cross-section model
 - Simulation and external data on $\nu/e/h$ interactions
- Detector model
 - Simulation and calibration and test beam data
- Make predictions at ND280 and SK
 - Parametrise cross-section and flux model
 - Constrain cross-section and flux by tuning ND280 prediction to observation
- Extract oscillation physics
 - Perform simultaneous fits of the 5 SK samples to measure oscillation parameters

ND280 data fit





ν_{μ} sample	14.05	2.00
$ar u_\mu$ sample	11.46	2.68
ν_e sample	14.92	3.02
$ar{ u}_e$ sample	12.00	2.86
ν_e sample with decay electron	12.02	3.82

Super-Kamiokande far detector

- 50kt water Cherenkov detector
- Inner detector instrumented with 11000 PMTs for 40% photo coverage
- Excellent ν_e/ν_µ separation and good reconstruction at T2K energy



(a) μ -like ring

(b) e-like ring



Neutrino oscillation at SK



2.5° off-axis beam produces flux peak in the region of the oscillation maximum

Recent analysis improvements

- Additional neutrino-nucleus effects in cross-section model
- Addition of $\nu_e \ \mathsf{CC}1\pi$ sample adds $\sim 10\%$ to ν_e sample
- Increase in SK fiducial volume:
 - Used to cut all vertices < 2m from detector wall
 - Now consider particle trajectory to define towall
 - \blacksquare Variables tuned to each sample, but now have towall $\sim 2\text{m},$ wall $\sim 50\text{cm}$
 - Increases statistics by 15-20%
- \blacksquare Total increase in statistics of $\sim 30\%$



SK data fit



SK event rates

	$\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$	$\delta_{CP} = 0$	$\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$	$\delta_{CP} = \pi$	Observed
$ u_{\mu} $ -like sample	268.525	268.232	268.494	268.880	243
ν_e -like sample	73.780	61.615	50.072	62.238	75
$ar{ u}_{\mu}$ -like sample	95.528	95.306	95.529	95.770	102
$\bar{\nu}_{e}$ -like sample	11.753	13.403	14.899	13.250	9
$\nu_e \operatorname{CC1}\pi^+$ -like sample	6.928	6.009	4.869	5.788	15

- $\sin^2 \theta_{12} = 0.304$
- $\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.530 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ c}^{-4}$
- $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.528$
- $\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.509 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ c}^{-4}$
- $\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 2.19 \times 10^{-2}$
- Normal ordering

 Δm^2 vs sin² θ_{23}





(b) Data



(c) MC

	Normal	Inverted		
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.536\substack{+0.031\\-0.046}$	$0.536\substack{+0.031\\-0.041}$		
$ \Delta m^2 $	2.434 ± 0.064	$2.410^{+0.062}_{-0.063}$		
(10^{-3} eV^2)				

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 δ_{CP} vs sin² θ_{13}





(b) Data (T2K + reactor)

- Sensitivity assumptions:
 sin² θ₁₃ = 0.0219 (PDG 2016)
 sin² θ₂₃ = 0.528
 δ_{CP} = -1.601
- Data constraint stronger than sensitivity

c) MC (T2K-only)ndy Chappell - University of Warwick

 δ_{CP}



- CP conservation is rejected at 2σ
- 19% of toys exclude CP conservation at 2σ (both $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$)

Mass ordering and octant

 T2K also performs a Bayesian analysis, used to express our confidence about the mass ordering and octant

	$\sin^2 heta_{23} \le 0.5$	$\sin^2 \theta_{23} > 0.5$	Sum
Normal	0.204	0.684	0.888
Inverted	0.023	0.089	0.112
Sum	0.227	0.773	1



- We see a preference for normal ordering with a Bayes factor of 7.9
- We see a preference for the upper octant with a Bayes factor of 3.4
- Bayes factor between 3.16 and 10 corresponds to 'substantial' on the Jeffreys scale, but no strong statistical conclusions

$\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance

- Two hypotheses:
 - Standard 3-flavour ν
 _e appearance (β = 1)
 - No $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance $(\beta = 0)$
- Rate + shape analysis:

β	Hypothesis	p-value
$\beta = 0$	No appearance	p = 0.233
$\beta = 1$	Appearance	p = 0.0867

 No strong statistical conclusion yet



Recent developments

- WAGASCI and BabyMIND near detectors recently installed
 WAGASCI:
 - Measures neutrino interaction cross-sections on hydrocarbon and water
 - On-axis modules taking data since 2016, with off-axis modules installed this year
- BabyMIND:
 - Magnetised spectrometry and charge ID for WAGASCI, with plastic scintillators made at INR, Russia
 - Constructed at CERN and installed in ND280 complex this year



SK Gadolinium upgrade

- Super-Kamiokande tank is open for maintenance and repairs
- This will be followed by Gadolinium doping
- Gadolinium has a high neutron capture cross-section and produces a delayed 8 MeV photon cascade allowing *v* tagging
 - Initial phase 0.02% Gd for 50% neutron capture rate
 - Later phase 0.2% Gd for 90% neutron capture rate
- Greater CP-Violation sensitivity due to charge discrimination



T2K run extension

- T2K's primary goal is now observation of CP-violation in the neutrino sector
- Propose to collect 2×10^{22} POT by ~ 2026 (arXiv:1609.04111)
- Provides up to 3σ CP-violation sensitivity



ND280 upgrade

 \blacksquare As part of the run extension aim to reduce systematics to $\sim 4\%$

- Full polar angle acceptance
- Fiducial mass of a few tonnes
- High efficiency for short tracks
- Good timing to determine track direction
- Submitted proposal to CERN SPSC (http://cds.cern.ch/record/2299599)
- TDR by end of year
- Aim to install 2021



Conclusion

- \blacksquare Significant increase to data set with addition of Run 9a-9c, with 2.61 \times 10^{21} total POT
- \blacksquare Ongoing analysis including Run 9d will see this increase to 3.16×10^{21} total POT
- \blacksquare CP-conservation excluded at 2σ
- Preference for normal mass ordering with a Bayes factor of 7.9
- Various upgrades allow for the possibility of observing evidence for CP-violation with current generation experiments

Backup

Systematic errors

	1-Ri	ng μ	1-Ring e			
Error source	ν	$\bar{\nu}$	ν	$\bar{\nu}$	ν 1 d.e.	$\nu/\bar{\nu}$
SK Detector	2.40	2.01	2.83	3.79	13.16	1.47
SK Final State and Secondary Interactions	2.20	1.98	3.02	2.31	11.44	1.58
Flux + Xsec constrained	2.88	2.68	3.02	2.86	3.82	2.31
Binding energy	2.43	1.73	7.26	3.66	3.01	3.74
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	0.00	0.00	2.63	1.46	2.62	3.03
$NC1\gamma$	0.00	0.00	1.07	2.58	0.33	1.49
NC Other	0.25	0.25	0.14	0.33	0.99	0.18
Osc	0.03	0.03	3.86	3.60	3.77	0.79
All Systematics	4.91	4.28	8.81	7.03	18.32	5.87
All with osc	4.91	4.28	9.60	7.87	18.65	5.93