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The COHERENT experiment

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Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering (CEvNS)





SNS facility at ORNL

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Bunches of ~1 GeV protons on the

Proton bunch time profile with FWHM of ~350 ns

Total neutrino flux of 4.3·10⁷ cm⁻²*s⁻¹ at 20m





2015-2017: Science vol. 357 iss. 6456 (2017) 6.7σ first observation

2015-2019:

PRL vol. 129 081801 (2022)

11.6σ at full statistics



LAr, 24 kg (CENNS-10)



The full data (2017-2021) analysis ongoing

Ge, 18 kg (I) \rightarrow 50 kg (II)

Detectors: 8x2.2 kg PPC HPGe, $E_{thr} < 5 \text{ keV}_{nr}$ Status: deployment/cooldown

NaI[TI], 185 kg \rightarrow 2.4T \rightarrow 3.4T

Detectors: 7.7 kg crystals,E_{thr}=13 keV_{nr} Status: deployment Sensitivity: 3σ per year for 3.4 T



Successors (R&D): 610 kg of LAr and around 10 kg of undoped cryogenic Csl

Physics reach: non-standard neutrino-quark interactions



Physics reach: $sin^2 \theta_{W}$



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Physics reach: the dark matter of Oak Ridge



Consider disappearance:

$$1 - P(\nu_e \to \nu_s) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{14} \cos^2 \theta_{24} \cos^2 \theta_{34} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}$$

$$We need a prior constraint on \theta_{34},$$

$$1 - P(\nu_\mu \to \nu_s) = 1 - \cos^4 \theta_{14} \sin^2 2\theta_{24} \cos^2 \theta_{34} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}$$

$$take from 3-flavor oscillations$$

Neutrino energy from 10 to 53 MeV, distances from 19 to 28 m $\implies \Delta m_{41}^2$ between 0.4 and 3.4 eV²



Leading syst. right now: ±10% on the neutrino flux Idea: measure flux with $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e$



Bonus: charge current (CC) on oxygen for supernova v in Super/Hyper-Kamiokande

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Neutrino-induced neutrons:

 $v_e^{+\ 208}Pb \rightarrow e^{-+\ 208}Bi$, + decay of a nucleus with $v + {}^{208}Pb \rightarrow v + {}^{208}Pb$ neutrons in the final state

Measure final state neutrons with LS (EJ-301) cells surrounded by 900 kg led

Observed $0.29^{+0.17}_{-0.17}$ times prediction, preprint to be out soon!

Inclusive v_e CC on ¹²⁷I from 185 kg

Nal[Tl] to be publicly presented soon

Future: v CC (~340/SNS year) and NC (~100/SNS year) from CENNS-750

LAr TPC is considered, useful for DUNE



Upgrades



The Second Rarget Station (STS) provides more dedicated neutrino physics space COHERENT is in contact with ORNL on this matter (space/background level optimization) Collaboration operates multiple detectors in the «Neutrino Alley» at SNS

Wide physics reach

CEvNS Neutrino-quark NSI Accelerator-produced DM

Nuclear physics (FF)

 $sin^2 \theta_w$

Inelastic v interactions (CC, NC)

Steriles

Neutrino alley virtual tour



