T2K

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The T2K Collaboration

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IFIRSE, Quy Nhon IOP, Hanoi Neutrino oscillation and properties of neutrinos

Neutrino oscillations

- Non-zero neutrino mass states (m₁, m₂, m₃)
- Flavor mixing

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U_{PMNS} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

3 mixing angles $(\theta_{12}, \theta_{23}, \theta_{13})$ 2 mass differences $(\Delta m_{32}^2, \Delta m_{21}^2)$ 1 CP phase (δ_{CP})



$$U_{PMNS} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_{23} & S_{23} \\ 0 & -S_{23} & C_{23} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} C_{13} & 0 & S_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -S_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & C_{13} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} C_{12} & S_{12} & 0 \\ -S_{12} & C_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$$
$$s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$$

Tokai to Kamioka long baseline neutrino oscillation experiment (T2K)



1) Measurements of θ_{13} and study of CP violation

 v_e and $\overline{v_e}$ appearance probabilities and their difference 2) Precise measurements of $(\Delta m^2_{32}, \theta_{23})$

 v_{μ} and $\overline{v_{\mu}}$ disappearance probabilities

Using the intense v_{μ} and $\overline{v_{\mu}}$ beams from J-PARC neutrino beam facility.

T2K neutrino beam ~ Off axis beam ~

Maximize sensitivity in oscillation studies

Use narrow band beam with peak energy

at the oscillation maximum

→ Off axis beam

- (ref.: BNL-E889 Proposal)
- \bullet Quasi-monochromatic beam ~ suppressed high energy ν
- Energy is tunable (Change off axis angle)





T2K ~ Schematic diagram of the experiment



1. Accelerator, neutrino beam line & beam monitors

Produce neutrino beam

and monitor primary and secondary particles

2. Neutrino detectors in the near site

Measure produced neutrino beam before oscillation ~ measure yield, energy spectrum, flavor ratio ~ study neutrino interactions

3. Neutrino detector (SK) at far site ~ Kamioka

Measure oscillated neutrino beam and determine neutrino oscillation parameters Tokai

T2K far detector ~ Super-Kamiokande



- New DAQ system installed in 2008
- Recording of all PMT hits within ±500µsec of each v beam arrival timing in SK using GPS.
- 2 independent GPS system
- Additional special GPS receiver To monitor the "GPS time" difference between Tokai and Kamioka.



T2K neutrino beam history and status

The T2K experiment started physics data taking in Jan. 2010.



Important T2K results

- 2010 Start taking ν -mode data
- 2011 First indication of v_e appearance from a v_{μ} beam (2.5 σ)
- 2013 First observation of v_e appearance from a v_{μ} beam (7.3 σ)
- 2014 First 90% C.L. hint of $\delta_{CP} \neq 0$
- 2014 Started taking $\bar{\nu}$ -mode data
- 2017 Increased SK fiducial volume with new event reconstruction. Add new v_e CC 1π sample \rightarrow *Stronger hint of CP violation*



2014: δ_{CP} negative log likelihood



Contributions from SK (ICRR)

- 1) Collect T2K neutrino beam data using SK
- 2) Provide T2K neutrino beam event data
 - Define "T2K beam neutrino event" selection criteria (kind of higher-level software trigger)
 - Monitor the quality of the data
 Using atmospheric v events, calibration data etc..
 - Make DST applying the T2K v event selection criteria
- 3) Provide reconstruction tools
 - Based on the event reconstruction tools developed for the atmospheric neutrino analyses.
 - Optimize for the T2K neutrino oscillation analyses
- 4) Provide relevant calibration / reference data

5) Provide neutrino interaction simulation library / programs, detector simulation programs and also SK simulation data for T2K.

6) Evaluate / provide systematic uncertainties in SK

Contributions from SK (ICRR)

Overall spill inefficiency @ SK is ~ 1%



Contributions from SK (ICRR)

Observed candidate neutrino event timing distribution

Number of the accidental background events of atmospheric neutrino are consistent with expectation.

Beam bunch time structure is clearly observed.



Event samples in SK ~ 1 ring events

Signal events

~ Induced by charged current quasi-elastic scattering

 $\nu + n \rightarrow l^- + p \text{ or } \overline{\nu} + p \rightarrow l^+ + n$

Dominant interaction in the T2K energy region. Simple kinematics

→ Reconstruct neutrino energy using observed lepton

New event category for neutrino run ~ Charged current 1 pion production ~

$$m{
u}+m{p}
ightarrowm{l}^-+m{\pi}^++m{p}$$





Recent improvements ~ New event reconstruction



Recent improvements ~ New fiducial volume criteria

Previously

Neutrino interaction vertex is at least 200cm from the detector wall. (= dwall > 200cm.)



New fiducial volume definition. μ -like events

Interaction vertex is at least 50cm from the wall (dwall > 50cm) and distance to the wall in the particle direction is at least 250cm (towall > 250cm).

e-like events

dwall > 80cm and towall > 170cm.





T2K experiment ~ Analysis strategy

 ν flux

Extracting the "oscillation parameters" from observables

~ compare the data and the prediction with oscillations.

Prediction

Based on Monte-Carlo simulation with various constraints from the measurements

Beam simulation program (FLUKA + GEANT3 w/ GCALOR) + π, K production data (NA61 etc.)



v cross sections

- v interaction simulation program (NEUT)
- + External constraints (data)
- Near detector measurements to constrain uncertainties of neutrino flux and neutrino interaction models

prediction in SK

Latest T2K neutrino oscillation analyses



Latest T2K neutrino oscillation analyses

Systematic uncertainties

% errors on predicted event rates of each data sample

	1-ring μ -like		1-ring e-like		
Error source	ν mode	$\bar{\nu}$ mode	ν mode (CCQE)	ν mode (CC 1 π)	$\bar{\nu}$ mode
SK detector	2.40	2.01	2.83	13.15	3.80
SK FSI+SI+PN	2.21	1.98	3.00	11.43	2.31
Flux + X-sec. ND constrained	3.27	2.94	3.24	4.09	3.10
Nuclear binding energy	2.38	1.72	7.13	2.95	3.66
$\sigma(v_e)/\sigma(\overline{v_e})$	0.00	0.00	2.63	2.61	1.46
NC 1 γ production	0.00	0.00	1.09	0.33	2.60
NC other interactions	0.25	0.25	0.15	0.99	0.33
Oscillation parameters	0.03	0.03	2.69	2.63	2.49
All systematics	5.12	4.45	8.81	18.38	7.13
All with oscillation	5.12	4.45	9.19	18.51	7.57

Total systematic errors are 4 to 9 % for 4 dominant samples.

Latest T2K Results (Jan. 2010 ~ May 2018) v_{μ} disappearance



T2K data are compatible with maximal mixing (sin² θ_{23} =0.5). Slightly stronger constraint on sin² θ_{23} than expected from sensitivity study.

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Summary and future outlook

T2K has collected ~40% of the initial target POT.

T2K has been publishing

world-leading important results since 2011. First signature of v_e appearance θ_{13} . Precise measurements of Δm_{32}^2 and θ_{23} .

Recent results indicates CP violation in the lepton sector. CP conserving $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and π fall out of 2σ confidence intervals.

Still, statistically limited and we will continue taking data. Data from SK-Gd are expected to help the analyses.

Extension of the T2K experiment has been proposed and we have received the stage-1 approval.

Summary and future outlook

T2K-II

20 x 10²¹ POT by 2027~2028 (= before HK starts.) Target beam power : 1.3MW Increase horn current (320kA) Reduce systematic errors

~ esp. neutrino-nucleus interactions

The beam intensity and the near detector upgrade works

are in progress.



T2K-II Target POT (Protons-On-Target)

Fin.

Δm^2_{32} and θ_{23} allowed regions



Taken from the talk by A. Himmel (June 15, 2018)





