Observation of electron neutrin appearance from a muon neutri beam at the T2K experiment

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The T2K Collaboration



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~500 members, 59 Institutes, 11 countries

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Outline of this talk

Physics motivation

The T2K experiment



Observation of v_e appearance
 Summary and prospect



 $(v_{\mu} \text{ disappearance})$



Physics motivation



• Discovery of $V \mu \rightarrow V_e$ Direct detection of neutrino flavor **Neutrino Facility** mixing in "appearance" mode ν_{μ} to ν_{e} plays an important role to study CP violation and mass hierarchy $P(v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}) = \sin^{2}2\theta_{13}\sin^{2}\theta_{23}\sin^{2}(\Delta m^{2}_{31} L/4E)$ +(CPV term)+(matter term)... 0.06 Probability Leading(013) Total 0.04 295km 0.02 Matter 0 CPC(cosô) CPV ©C -0.02 $\sin\theta_{12} \times \sin\theta_{13} \times \sin\theta_{23} \times \sin\delta$ -0.04 $(\sin^2 2\theta_{13}=0.1, \delta=\pi/4)$ -0.06 E_{v} (GeV)







- 1999: Nishikawa & Totsuka proposed to measure v_e appearance
- Feb. 2000: Lol
- April 2004:
 - Officially approved by Japanese Government and 5yr construction started
 - T2K international collaboration officially formed
- April 23, 2009:
 - First neutrino beam production and commissioning started
- January 2010:
 - Data accumulation for oscillation search started!
 - Mar.11,2011 shutdown due to earthquake damage
- If June 2011: First 2.5σ indication of v_e appearance
 - Dec. 2011: Accelerator resumed operation
 - Mar.2012: T2K resumed data taking
- June/July 2012: 3.1 σ evidence of v_e appearance results







The T2K experiment (Overview)





- Conventional "horn-magnet-focused" v beam
 - 30GeV Protons on a graphite target: daughter $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_{\mu}$
- First application of <u>Off-Axis(OA) beam</u>:
 - Beam is 2.50° off-axis with respect to the far detector direction
 - Low-energy narrow-band beam, peak at oscillation maximum
 - Small high-energy tail: reduce background events in T2K
- Near neutrino detectors @ 280m from target
 - On-Axis (INGRID) detector / Off-Axis (ND280) detector
- Far detector: Super-Kamiokande @ 295km from J-PARC

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Oscillation Maximum $\sin^2 2\theta_{22} = 1.0$ 0 4 $\Delta m_{22}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \, eV^2$ **□** OA 0.0° ₩ OA 2.0° $\Phi_{V_{\mu}}^{295km}\left(A.U.\right)$ ₩ OA 2.5° 2 E_{v} (GeV)







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Target Station (TS)





- 3 horns / a baffle are supported from the wall of vessel by support modules.
- Apparatus on the beam-line are highly irradiated after beam. Remote maintenance is key issue.

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Electromagnetic Horns and Target TZR





- By applying a 250kA pulsed current synchronized to the spill timing, a toroidal magnetic field of 1.6 Tesla is generated
- Current stability ~2%, Alignment : 0.3mm(x), 1mm(y,z)





Remote maintenance



Delivered POT to neutrino facility





- Stable operation at ~220kW achieved.
 - >1.2x10¹⁴ppp (1.5x10¹³x8b) is the *world record* of extracted protons per pulse for synchrotrons.
- Data for today's talk: <u>6.39x10²⁰ pot</u> (by Apr.12). 6.63x10²⁰ by May.8.
 - Statistics has been *doubled* successfully compared to the previous analysis (3.01x10²⁰pot)



Muon monitors



Ion Chambers









Total charge = 32.2 nC /1e12ppp

Shot-by-shot monitoring for the beam center 1 mrad shift of direction = $\sim 2\%$ shift of peak energy 1



On-Axis near detector (INGRID)









50,000t水チェレンコフ測定器 1991年から5年で建設 1996年4月から稼働









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Hadron production measurements





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• v_{e} component in T2K beam: ~1.1% (Intrinsic BG for v_{e} appearance search)

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Off-axis near detector (ND280)







- Flux normalization/spectrum reconstruction
- Neutrino-nucleus interaction cross-sections





POD

ECAL

2 fine-grained detectors (FGD)

SMRD

Solenoid Coil

DS-ECAL

Barrel

ECAL

• 3 gas TPCs

UA1 Magnet Yoke

P0D (pi0 detector

Pine-Graine Detectors

- π^{0} detector (P0D)
- electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL)

Instrumented magnet yoke

 Side Muon Range Detector (SMRD)

Typical tracker events



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- v_{μ} CC-nonQE samples are separated into two categories ∆共鳴 **CC-nonQE in 2012 Release** Δ -resonance μ-ν_μ production Mostly P+ from Charged Current Quasi-**Elastic** 荷電 準弾性 v_{μ} 散乱 Deep Inelastic **Scattering** \mathbf{P} + 深非弾性 散乱
 - * non-QE events are now characterized by the presence of a pion candidate (including michel electrons) or electromagnetic objects.
 - * In the old 2012 analysis, nonQE was characterized by events with a second TPC/FGD track, so it could include true CCQE where the proton penetrated to the TPC.

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Muon momentum distributions









In total 24,910 events (RUN1-4)

	CC0π	CC1π	CCother
	purities	purities	purities
CC0π	72.6%	6.4%	5.8%
CC1π	8.6%	49.4%	7.8%
CCother	11.4%	31%	73.8%
Bkg(NC+anti-nu)	2.3%	6.8%	8.7%
Out FGD1 FV	5.1%	6.5%	3.9%

MC w/o ND280 constraint

- Constrain (p_{μ}, θ_{μ}) distributions for each category
- Finer binning adopted compared to 2012 analysis





Parameter	w/o ND280 constraint	With ND280 constraint
M _A ^{QE} (GeV)	1.21 ± 0.45	1.223 ± 0.072
M _A ^{RES} (GeV)	1.41 ± 0.22	0.963 ± 0.063
CCQE Norm.*	1.00 ± 0.11	0.961 ± 0.076
CC1π Norm.**	1.15 ± 0.32	1.22 ± 0.16



• Significant changes to M_A^{RES} and CC1 π normalization parameters





Flux & cross section model parameters **T2**K

Extrapolated to the far detector





Predicted number of events and systematic uncertainties



Predicted # of events w/ 6.4 × 10 ²⁰ POT				The predicte	ed number of
Event category	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0$	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$		events di	stribution
v _e signal	0.38	16.42	Γ	w/o ND280 fi	
v _e background	3.17	2.93	3000	w/ ND280 fi	4.64±0.52
v_{μ} background (mainly NC	$(\tau^0) 0.89$	0.89	, i		$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0$
$v_{\mu} + v_{e}$ background	0.20	0.19	2000 - Line -	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0$ $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 10$	
Total	4.64	20.44	arbit	$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^3 \text{ eV}^2$ (Normal hierarchy)	
Total (w/ 2012 flux &	(5.15)	(21.77)	1000 -	⁰ α ⁼⁰ 5 64×10 ³⁰ p.o.t.	Kで期付される 【象数の確率分布
(cross section parameters)	~ /	()			
Systematic uncertainties			Ø	5 10 15 22	0 40
Error source	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.0$	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$	2000	$\sin^2 2\theta_{12} = 0.1$	// w/o ND280
Beam flux $+ v$ int.	4.9 %	3.0 %	-	$\sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 1.0$	20.44 ± 1.80
w/ND constraint			1500	$-\Delta m_{32}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ (Normal hierarchy)	$\sin^2 2\theta_{12} = 0.1$
v int. (from other exp.)	6.7 %	7.5 %	Ditrary	$a_{cr} = 0$ - 6.4 × 10 ²⁰ p.o.t.	
Far detector (+FSI+SI+PN)	7.3 %	3.5 %	arl		
Total	11.1 %	8.8 %	500	-	
[Total (2012)	(13.0 %)	(9.9 %)]	Ē	10 79	
SKでの期待値誤差:4.64×0.	111=±0.52	20.44×0.088=	±1.80 ⁰	Expected number of sig	anal+background events

- Systematic uncertainties are reduced from 2012, due to improvements for near detector analysis : new selection (CCQE/1pi/other), improved reconstruction, finer binning
- Current analysis with ND constraint predicts consistent number of events compared to 2012 within its systematic uncertainties



v_e candidate event selection



SELECTION CRITERIA

- Event fully contained in the ID and vertex is within the fiducial volume (FCFV)
- 2. Only one reconstructed ring (1R)
- 3. Ring is electron-like
- 4. Visible energy Evis >100MeV
- 5. No Michel electron
- 6. Event's invariant mass not consistent with π^0 mass
- 7. Reconstructed v energy E_v^{rec} <1,250MeV



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Assumed Parameter Values

Parameter	Value
Δm^2_{21}	$7.6 imes 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV}^2$
Δm^2_{32}	$2.4 imes 10^{-3} \mathrm{eV^2}$
$\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$	0.8495
$\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$	1.0
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$	0.1
$\delta_{ m CP}$	0
Mass hierarchy	Normal
ν travel length	295 km
Earth density	$2.6 \mathrm{g/cm^3}$

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v_e candidate event selection







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NC π^{0} background reduction (2012)



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Until 2012 analysis we used a special fitter which reconstruct each event with a two photon ring hypothesis, searching for the direction and energy of second ring which maximizes the likelihood.



Selected v_e candidates (2012)



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RUN1-3 data (3.010×10 ²⁰ POT)		
Data	11	
MC Total ※	11.2	
$CC \boldsymbol{v}_{\mu}$	0.06	
CC v _e	1.8	
NC	1.2	
$CC v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$	8.2	

 $%3.3\pm0.4$ sys(sin²2θ₁₃=0) → p=0.0009(3.1σ)





NC π^{0} background reduction (this analysis: new π^{0} fitter)



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- 2. Only one reconstructed ring (1R)
- 3. Ring is electron-like
- 4. Visible energy Evis >100MeV
- 5. No Michel electron
- Event's invariant mass
 not consistent with π⁰
 mass → new 2D cut
- Reconstructed v energy E_v^{rec} <1,250MeV



Assumes two electron rings produced at a common vertex [12 parameters]

- •Vertex(X,Y,Z,T)
- •Directions($\theta_1, \varphi_1, \theta_2, \varphi_2$)
- •Momenta (p₁, p₂)
- •Conversion lengths (c1, c2)

* Start from result of the single-track electron fit.

2D cut : π^{0} mass and the likelihood ratio ln(L_{π^{0}}/L_e)





NC π^{0} background reduction



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Selected v_e candidate events



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v_e candidate

 4.64 ± 0.52 for sin²2 θ_{13} =0.0

The new NC π⁰ fitter removes all FV events rejected by 2012 analysis.
Additionally, 3 more events removed.
31 → 28 events remain.





Figure 12: ν_e candidate event #12

Figure 31: ν_e candidate event #31

1st and last candidate events in Run-4



Vertex distributions





• O(0.1%) of FCFV v e candidates

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Data	28	
МС	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0$	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$
Osci. $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$	0.38	16.42
ν _e BG _(Beam)	3.17	2.93
$\nu_{\mu}BG_{(NC\pi0etc)}$	0.89	0.89
$\overline{\boldsymbol{v}}_{e} + \overline{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\mu} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{G}$	0.20	0.19
MC Total	4.64	20.44
Sys.Err(%)	(11.1%)	(8.8%)
Sys.Err(#)	±0.52	±1.80
Sys.Err(%)-2012	(13.0%)	(9.9%)

Assumed Parameter Values

Parameter	Value	
Δm^2_{21}	$7.6 imes 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV}^2$	
Δm^2_{32}	$2.4 imes 10^{-3} \mathrm{eV^2}$	
$\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$	0.8495^{st}	
$\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$	1.0	
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$	0.1 (or 0)	
$\delta_{ m CP}$	0	
Mass hierarchy	Normal	
u travel length	$295 \mathrm{km}$	
Earth density	$2.6 \mathrm{g/cm^3}$	
※ 0.8704	in 2012 analysis	

- N_{exp}=20.4 at $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ =0.1, while we observe 28 events
- v_{μ} background significantly reduced by using new NC π^{0} fitter
 - **~2.3 events** expected with old ($m_{\pi 0}$ -only) reduction
- Systematic uncertainties are reduced from 2012 release, mainly thanks to improvements for the near detector analysis



Determination of neutrino oscillation parameters



An extended maximum likelihood fit as in 2012 analysis

- Scan over $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ to find its best-fit value, where a likelihood (\mathcal{L}) becomes maximum.
- \mathcal{L} is calculated by comparing the total number of observed events (N_{obs}) and electron momentum-angle (p_e, θ_e) of each event with MC predictions.
- We fix other oscillation parameters as shown in the previous page.





- \mathcal{L}_{norm} : Poisson probability with mean = N_{pred} to have N= N_{obs} events.
- \mathcal{L}_{shape} : Product of the probabilities that each event has a particular value of (p_e, θ_{e}).
 - φ : predicted Probability Density Function(PDF).
- *L*_{syst} : A multivariate normal distribution of systematic parameters defined by the parameters' prior values and covariance matrix.
- We use a Bayesian marginalization technique in order to incorporate the systematic uncertainties, by integrating over all systematic parameters.



Alternative (rate + E_v shape) analysis



 Fit data to the reconstructed energy distribution

$$E^{rec} = \frac{m_p^2 - (m_n - E_b)^2 - m_e^2 + 2(m_n - E_b)E_e}{2(m_n - E_b - E_e + p_e \cos \theta_e)}$$

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best fit w/ 68% C.L. error:

 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.152^{+0.041}_{-0.034}$

assuming $|\Delta m_{32}^2|=2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ $\delta_{CP}=0, \sin^2 2\theta_{23}=1,$ Normal hierarchy Very consistent to p- θ analysis $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.150^{+0.039}_{-0.034}$











- Allowed region of sin²2 θ ₁₃
 for each value of $\delta_{\rm CP}$
- Best fit w/ 68% C.L. error @ $\delta_{CP}=0$
 - normal hierarchy

 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.150^{+0.039}_{-0.034}$

inverted hierarchy:

 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.182^{+0.046}_{-0.040}$

Assuming $|\Delta m_{32}^2|=2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}=1.0$

Cf. $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$: 0.098±0.013 (PDG2012)





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Message from T2K International Collaboration to J-PARC/JAEA/KEK Members



- This timely discovery was made possible by the unyielding and tireless effort by the J-PARC/JAEA/KEK staff members and management to deliver high quality beam to T2K.
- We should all remember that after the devastating March 2011 earthquake in eastern Japan, which caused severe damage to the accelerator complex and facilities at J-PARC, the beam commissioning was resumed within the calendar year, and physics data taking was also resumed within 1 year. It was not possible without all of your strong supports.
- We are excited to continue producing beautiful physics results, so let's continue to work together.





- We report a new result on v_e appearance analysis based on 6.39 x 10²⁰ protons on target.
 - 28 candidate events are observed, while expectation w/o v_{μ} to v_{e} oscillation is to be $4.6\pm0.5_{sys}$
 - An extended likelihood analysis over number of observed events and the momentum of electrons gives $\Delta \chi^2 = 56.3$ for sin²2 $\theta_{13} = 0.0$, thus the significance to exclude sin²2 $\theta_{13} = 0.0$ is calculated to be **7.5** σ
 - Note the results are dependent on assumptions on other neutrino oscillation parameters, such as $\sin^2\theta_{23}$ and δ_{CP} .

WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY OBSERVED THE ν_{e} **APPEARANCE** which is one of the critical milestones for the further progress on the neutrino physics research.





- 6.39 x 10²⁰ protons on target is only ~8% exposure of T2K's design goal.
 - The v_e appearance study is still dominated by statistics.
 - We definitely need more data to proceed.
- T2K will continue to play an essential role to resolve the entire picture of neutrino mass and mixing.
 - Further studies on v_{μ} disappearance studies : $\Delta^2 m_{32}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, resolving octant degeneracy (θ_{23} <45° or >45°)
 - v_{μ} disappearance studies will contribute to the improvement on the v_{e} appearance studies.
 - Combined 3-flavor analysis on v e appearance and v $_{\mu}$ disappearance
 - Data taking with anti-neutrino beam.
 - First exploration onto CP-violationg phase, δ_{CP}