Advanced Neutrino Sources

(Neutrino Factories and Beta Beams)

Experiments at advanced neutrino sources would be designed to go beyond the planned few-sigma discoveries (θ_{13} , mass hierarchy, CPV) and make precision measurements of the oscillation parameters, and precisely test the 3-flavor mixing framework. If θ_{13} is small, they may also have to make the initial few-sigma discoveries.

- Design
- R&D Status
- Remaining R&D Needed
- Cost and Illustrative Schedule Information

Appendix: Physics reach

INTRODUCTION: ADVANCED NEUTRINO SOURCES

• Neutrino Factories (NF) & Beta Beams (BB) produce ^ν beams by storing unstable particles in a ring with long straight sections:

 \bullet The stored beam properties & decay kinematics are well known \rightarrow uncertainties on neutrino flux & spectra are small [→] **PRECISION**

• Initial beams are flavor "pure" (BB) or "tagged" by final lepton charge (NF) [→] **PRECISION**

• The NF has the additional advantages of very low background rates (wrong-sign muon signature) & a wealth of information (to obtain oscillation parameters can measure and simultaneously fit 6 spectra with μ^+ & 6 spectra with μ^- stored) \rightarrow **PRECISION**.

BETA BEAMS

- Need beta-decaying ion sources for ${\rm v_e}$ & anti- ${\rm v_e}$
- Accelerate to high energy $(E_y \leq 2\gamma Q$ with Q~few MeV) & need fast ramp
- Store in decay ring
- Would also like conventional v_{μ} beam with same L/E

CERN EXAMPLE

EURISOL+SPS

 $\gamma \leq 150$ (⁶He) or 250 (¹⁸Ne) Ring length \sim 6km Beam → Frejus (L=130km)

FNAL BETA BEAM SCENARIO

NOTE: Following the 2004 APS Neutrino Study recommendation with limited U.S. resources, have not invested in BB R&D \rightarrow No FNAL BB Feasibility Study.

NEUTRINO FACTORY DESIGN STUDIES

In the U.S. (with international partners) we have been investing in NF R&D for the last decade (NF idea proposed in 1997) \rightarrow component development, systems testing, & 4 generations of design studies:

• **First Generation "Feasibility" Studies:**

Feasibility Study 1 (FNAL 2000) Japanese Study 1 (2001) CERN Study (2004)

- **Second Generation "Performance & Cost-Reduction" Studies:** Study 2 (BNL 2001): performance Studies 2a & 2b (2001-6): cost effectiveness
- **Third Generation "International" Study:** International Scoping Study (RAL 2006): International baseline design
- **Fourth Generation Study:**

International Design Study: ZDR by ~2010, RDR by ~2012)

NEUTRINO FACTORY INGREDIENTS

(Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 9, 011001 (2006))

NEUTRINO FACTORY: ISS DESIGN

- **International Neutrino Factory design study** sponsored by RAL
- Participation & leadership from Europe, U.S., & Japan.
- Selected 25 GeV NF design similar to Study 2b 20 GeV design
- Report: RAL-TR-2007-23

NEUTRINO FACTORY: 4 GeV DESIGN

• **During the ISS a new concept emerged for a NF detector that can measure the muon charge from low energy neutrino interactions.**

– 4 GeV NF combines strengths of Wide Band Beam (spanning several oscillations) & NF \rightarrow outstanding perf**ormance for both large & small** θ_{13}

– Cheaper (less acceleration) & matched to FNAL–DUSEL baseline

PROTON SOURCE REQUIREMENTS

• **Need beam power (at least 2MW) and short bunches (3ns).**

• Optimum beam energy = 10 ± 5 GeV (ISS study) but at fixed power, muon yield drops slowly with energy - lose ~30% for E=120 GeV (Mokhov)

• **Project X is well suited to drive a NF. To get** ≥**2MW use either:**

(i) Project $X + MI$ (50 GeV, say) + new 50 GeV rebunching ring, or (ii) Upgraded Project X (2MW at 8 GeV) + new 8 GeV rebunching ring.

TARGET STATION

• A 4MW target station design study was part of "Neutrino Factory Study 1" in 2000 \rightarrow ORNL/TM-2001/124

• Facility studied was 49m long = target hall & decay channel, shielding, solenoids, remote handling & target systems.

• Target: liquid Hg jet inside 20T solenoid. 4MW Target Station Design

HOT NEWS: MERIT RESULTS

NF Studies 1 & 2 identified the target technology (a liquid Hg jet injected into a 20T solenoid) as the one of the most challenging parts of a NF → **target R&D program.**

• In Fall 2007 the target R&D culminated in the MERIT expt which successfully demonstrated a liquid Hg jet injected into a 15T solenoid, & hit with a suitably intense beam from the CERN PS (115 KJ / pulse !)

• The jet is disrupted, but this happens on a ms timescale (disruption length $<$ 28 cm \sim 2 int. lengths. The jet was observed to re-establish itself after 15ms … before the next beam pulse arrives.

Preliminary analysis suggests this target technology is good for beams up to 8 MW !

MERIT EXPERIMENT

Hg jet in a 15T solenoid Observed with high-speed camera

BUNCHING, PHASE ROTATION, COOLING

A clever arrangement of RF cavities bunches the muons & reduces their energy spread.

An ionization cooling channel reduces trans.phase space, increasing useful number of muonsby [×]1.7 (believed cost effective c.f. increasing detector mass)

N Two R&D efforts must (m) be completed for all this to be "can build" :

• **RF in magnetic fields** • **MICE**

Normal Conducting RF in MAGNETIC FIELDS

Need NCRF cavities operating in few-Tesla magnetic fields

• Could use open iris copper cavities (multi-cell 805 MHz cavity tested in few Tesla field)

• Since muons are penetrating particles, we have the option of closing the iris with a thin conducting window. At fixed peak power this doubles the

gradient on-axis → **more compact channel & half the number of klystrons** !

• Two closed-cell cavity options being explored (vacuum cavities & cavities filled with high pressure ${\sf H}_2)$. We are in the middle of the R&D needed to see if these options give the desired performance.

•Need to complete this R&D before locking in to the choice of RF technology.

Closed-cell 201 MHz cavity processed with SCRF-type treatment (electropolishing etc) … exceeded design gradient without any conditioning. Will be tested in appropriate magnetic field next year.

INTERNATIONAL COOLING EXPERIMENT: MICE

GOALS: Build a section of cooling channel capable of giving the desired performance for a Neutrino Factory & test in a muon beam. Measure performance in various modes of operation.

U I IS IS Cooling

- Multi-stage experiment.
- First stage currently being installed at a purpose-built muon beam at RAL.
- Anticipate final stage complete by ~2010

instrumentation

ACCELERATION

• Designs for the acceleration scheme use 201 MHz SCRF

• 201 MHz SCRF R&D at Cornell - observed substantial "Q-slope", but achieved 11 MV/m

• 11 MV/m may be OK for 4 GeV NF (although higher gradients preferred)

201 MHz SCRF cavity at Cornell

Need to continue R&D on Q-slope, demonstrate ≥**11 MV/m performance can be achieved routinely for several cavities, & design and prototype the required cryo-modules.**

DETECTOR MAGNET

- Detector must measure muon-sign \rightarrow magnetized \rightarrow Fine**grain MINOS-like detector will work for a NF with E** ≥ **20 GeV.**
- **For low energy NF (e.g. 4 GeV) need affordable large volume magnet (B ~ 0.5T) so we can use a low-Z fully active detector.**

• **Initial engineering study looks promising -- must prototype & test.**

LOW ENERGY NF DETECTOR at DUSEL

• **Initial simulation study performed for a 4 GeV NF detector**

• **Detector R&D needed to better understand performance & reduce cost associated with large number of channels – O(10 7)** (Note: LAr detector may also be an option)

ILLUSTRATIVE TIMELINE

R&D SUPPORT and NF COST ESTIMATES

• **FY07/08 annual U.S. funding level for NF+Muon Collider R&D:**

5.5M\$ (SWF) + 2.4M\$ (M&S)=7.9M\$ (of this 2M\$ is Muon Collider specific)

4 GeV NF Cost Estimate (excluding 2 MW proton source)

Start from Study 2 cost estimate scaled to account for post-study 2 improvements (ranges reflect uncertainties in scaling) \rightarrow

ILC analysis suggest loading coeff = 2.07 for accelerator systems and 1.32 for CFS. Labor assumed 1.2 \times M&S $\;\rightarrow$

Loaded estimate = 2120 - 2670 (FY08 M\$)

Unloaded estimate (M\$)

CONCLUDING REMARKS

• Sensitivity to neutrino oscillation physics motivates the development of an advanced neutrino source - see appendix

• We have a 10 year investment in NF R&D, with 3 generations of design study, R&D to develop the critical components, & two big international systems-demonstration experiments (MERIT & MICE).

• The international community is now working towards a "ZDR/RDR" by ~2010/2012. The R&D timeline & funding profile (last 2 slides) would enable the U.S. to step up to the plate and maintain our share of NF leadership, and give the U.S. a NF option that follows Project X.

• Building a muon source for a NF is a very desirable step in establishing the technologies needed for a multi-TeV Muon Collider, and might provide a staged path to a multi-TeV lepton collider.

• BB R&D has been proceeding in Europe. Physics comparisons of BB & NF are shown in the appendix.

APPENDIX: Discovery Reach for 25 GeV NF

• **Physics reach for 25 GeV NF looks great & if** θ**13 is small may be the only option.**

- All of these (WBB, BB, NF, T2HK) next-but-one generation neutrino experiment options are necessarily ambitious.
- \bullet The NF is the most sensitive option for very small θ_{13} .
- Not shown in the above plots is the low-energy NF which has great sensitivity for large (and small) θ_{13} .

APPENDIX: Discovery Reach 4 GeV NF

• Physics reach for 4 GeV NF looks great for both large and small θ_{13}

- *Geer, Mena, & Pascoli, Phys. Rev. D75, 093001, (2007).*
- *Bross, Ellis, Geer, Mena,& Pascoli, hep-ph arXiv:0709.3889*

- Bands cover range of run times (3-10y) & background levels (0 -10 -3).
- Combines strengths of conventional Wide Band Beam (spanning several oscillations) with low systematics of NF.
- If sin² θ_{13} > few x 10⁻³ can go well beyond discovery, and make precision measurements. If $\theta^{}_{13}$ small, have discovery reach down to sin 2 2 $\theta^{}_{13}$ ~ few x 10⁻⁴

APPENDIX: Statistical Precision – 4 GeV NF

Wrong-sign \upmu Rates at L=1280 km for normal (inverted) hierarchies & \uptheta_{13} =8º

statistics (Kt-decays)	$\delta^{(o)}$	stored (wrong-sign: μ^-)	μ^- stored (wrong-sign: μ^+)
	0	3340 (1600)	870 (1770)
3×10^{22}	90	4400 (2300)	475 (1200)
20 Kt \times 3 years	180	3400 (1660)	774 (1670)
	270	2330 (930)	1170 (2240)
	0	11140 (5335)	2900 (5900)
1×10^{23}	90	14670 (7670)	1580 (4000)
20 Kt \times 10 years	180	11340 (5530)	2580 (5570)
	270	7770 (3100)	3900 (7470)

Table 2: Wrong sign muon event rates for normal (inverted) hierarchy, assuming $\nu_e \to \nu_\mu$ ($\bar{\nu}_e \to \bar{\nu}_\mu$)oscillations in a 20 Kt fiducial volume detector, for a L = 1280 km baseline. We assume here $\theta_{13} = 8^o$, i.e. $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \simeq 0.076$. We present the results for several possible values of the CP-violating phase δ for both the low and the high luminosity scenario.

- \bullet If Θ_{13} is large, the signal data samples in a 20 Kt NF detector would be a few $\times 10^3$ – a few $\times 10^4.$
- Backgrounds would be expected to be $\leq O(10^{-3})$ of the CC rate.

APENDIX: Precision Disappearance Measurements

 $\bullet~$ Physics reach plots are based on the $\rm v_e \rightarrow v_\mu$ channel. There is also the ${\rm v}_{_\mu}$ disappearance channel, which also offers precision.

• The Δm^2 sensitivity might be good enough to be able to determine the mass hierarchy even if θ_{13} = 0 ! (Note: P($\rm v_{\mu}$ \rightarrow $\rm v_{\mu}$) depends on both | ∆ m 2 $_{13}$ | and |∆m² $_{\rm 23}$ |, & with sufficient sensitivity can determine 2 who is larger than who).

APENDIX: Relationship between NF & Muon Collider R&D

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APENDIX: Staging from NF to 1.5-4 TeV Muon Collider

