Neutrinos Ghost Particles of the Universe

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Periodic System of Elementary Particles



	Qua	arks			Lept	ons	
Charge	-1/3	Charge	+2/3	Charge	-1	Charge	0
Down	d	Up	u	Electron	е	e-Neutrino	v_{e}



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2 nd Family	Strange s	Charm c	Muon µ	μ -Neutrino ν_{μ}		
3 rd Family	Bottom b	Top t	Tau τ	τ -Neutrino v_{τ}		
	Strong Interaction	on (8 Gluons)				
	Electromagnetic Interaction (Photon)					
	Weak Interactio	n (W and Z Boson	s)			
	Gravitation (Gra	vitons?)				

Where do Neutrinos Appear in Nature?



Particle Accelerators

Earth Atmosphere (Cosmic Rays)

Earth Crust(Natural Radioactivity)



Supernovae (Stellar Collapse) SN 1987A ✓

Sun

Astrophysical Accelerators Soon ?

Cosmic Big Bang (Today 330 v/cm³) Indirect Evidence







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Neutrinos from the Sun







Solar radiation: 98 % light 2 % neutrinos At Earth 66 billion neutrinos/cm² sec

Hans Bethe (1906–2005, Nobel prize 1967) Thermonuclear reaction chains (1938)

Sun Glasses for Neutrinos?

8.3 light minutes



Several light years of lead needed to shield solar neutrinos

Bethe & Peierls 1934: ... this evidently means that one will never be able to observe a neutrino.



First Detection (1954 – 1956)



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First Measurement of Solar Neutrinos



observatory (1967–2002)

Cherenkov Effect



Super-Kamiokande Neutrino Detector



Super-Kamiokande: Sun in the Light of Neutrinos

Super-Kamiokande: Sun in the Light of Neutrinos



Neutrino Flavor Oscillations

Two-flavor mixing
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Each mass eigenstate propagates as e^{ipz}

with $p = \sqrt{E^2 - m^2} \approx E - m^2/2E$ Phase difference $\frac{\delta m^2}{2E} z$ implies flavor oscillations





KamLAND Long-Baseline Reactor-Neutrino Experiment



Oscillation of Reactor Neutrinos at KamLAND (Japan)

Oscillation pattern for anti-electron neutrinos from Japanese power reactors as a function of L/E



KamLAND Scintillator detector (1000 t)





Atmospheric Neutrino Anomaly



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Atmospheric Neutrino Anomaly



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Long-Baseline Experiment K2K





K2K Experiment (KEK to Kamiokande) has confirmed neutrino oscillations, to be followed by T2K (2010)

Current Long-Baseline Experiments

FermiLab–Soudan (MINOS)

CERN – Gran Sasso





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Three-Flavor Neutrino Parameters

Three mixing angles θ_{12} , θ_{13} , θ_{23} (Euler angles for 3D rotation), $c_{ii} = \cos \theta_{ii}$, a CP-violating "Dirac phase" δ , and two "Majorana phases" α_2 and α_3 $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & e^{-i\delta}s_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{i\delta}s_{13} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\alpha_2}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\frac{\alpha_3}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$ $39^{\circ} < \theta_{23} < 53^{\circ}$ $\theta_{13} < 11^{\circ}$ $33^{\circ} < \theta_{12} < 37^{\circ}$ Relevant for Atmospheric/LBL-Beams Reactor Solar/KamLAND $0\nu 2\beta$ decay Normal Inverted Tasks and Open Questions μ τ Δm^2 е 3 • Precision for θ_{12} and θ_{23} Sun **I** 72–80 meV² • How large is θ_{13} ? μτ • CP-violating phase δ ? **Atmosphere** • Mass ordering? (normal vs inverted) Atmosphere 2180–2640 meV² Absolute masses? 2 u τ (hierarchical vs degenerate) Sun • Dirac or Majorana?

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Antineutrino Oscillations Different from Neutrinos?

$$v_{e} = c_{12}c_{13}v_{1} + s_{12}c_{13}v_{2} + s_{13}e^{-i\delta}v_{3}$$

$$\overline{v}_{e} = c_{12}c_{13}\overline{v}_{1} + s_{12}c_{13}\overline{v}_{2} + s_{13}e^{+i\delta}\overline{v}_{3}$$
Dirac phase causes different 3-flavor oscillations

for neutrinos and antineutrinos





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"Weighing" Neutrinos with KATRIN





"KATRIN Coming" (25 Nov 2006)



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Dark Energy 73% (Cosmological Constant)

Ordinary Matter 4% (of this only about 10% luminous)

Dark Matter 23% Neutrinos 0.1–2%

Cosmological Limit on Neutrino Masses

Cosmic neutrino "sea" $\sim 112 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ neutrinos + anti-neutrinos per flavor

$$\Omega_{\nu}h^2 = \sum \frac{m_{\nu}}{93 \text{ eV}} < 0.23$$

 $\sum m_{\nu} \lesssim 20 \text{ eV}$ For all stable flavors

REST MASS OF MUONIC NEUTRINO AND COSMOLOGY

JETP Lett. 4 (1966) 120

S. S. Gershtein and Ya. B. Zel'dovich Submitted 4 June 1966 ZhETF Pis'ma 4, No. 5, 174-177, 1 September 1966

Low-accuracy experimental estimates of the rest mass of the neutrino [1] yield m(v_e) < 200 eV/c² for the electronic neutrino and m(v_µ) < 2.5 x 10⁶ eV/c² for the muonic neutrino. Cosmological considerations connected with the hot model of the Universe [2] make it possible to strengthen greatly the second inequality. Just as in the paper by Ya. B. Zel'dovich and Ya. A. Smorodinskii [3], let us consider the gravitational effect of the neutrinos on the dynamics of the expanding Universe. The age of the known astronomical objects is not smaller than 5 x 10⁹ years, and Hubble's constant H is not smaller than 75 km/sec-Mparsec = (13 x 10⁹ years)⁻¹. It follows therefore that the density of all types of matter in the Universe is at the present time ¹

 $\rho < 2 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g/cm}^3$.

Weakly Interacting Particles as Dark Matter

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GRAVITY OF NEUTRINOS OF NONZERO MASS IN ASTROPHYSICS

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ABSTRACT

If neutrinos have a rest mass of a few eV/c^2 , then they would dominate the gravitational dynamics of the large clusters of galaxies and of the Universe. A simple model to understand the virial mass discrepancy in the Coma cluster on this basis is outlined.

Subject headings: cosmology - galaxies, clusters of - neutrinos

The possibility of a finite rest mass for the neutrinos has fascinated astrophysicists (Kuchowicz 1969). A recent discussion of such a possibility has been in the context of the solar-neutrino experiments (Bahcall, Cabibbo, and Yahil 1972). Here we wish to point out some interesting consequences of the gravitational interactions of such neutrinos. These considerations become particularly relevant in the framework of big-bang cosmologies which we assume to be valid in our discussion here.

In the early phase of such a Universe when the temperature was ~ 1 MeV, several processes of neutrino production (Ruderman 1969) would have led to copious production of neutrinos and antineutrinos (Steigman 1972; Cowsik and McClelland 1972). Conditions of thermal equilibrium allow an easy estimate of their number densities (Landau and Lifshitz 1969):

$$n_{\nu i} = \frac{1}{\pi^2 \hbar^3} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2 dp}{\exp\left[E/kT(z_{\rm eq})\right] + 1} \,. \tag{1}$$

Here n_{vl} = number density of neutrinos of the *i*th kind (notice that in writing this expression we have assumed that both the helicity states are allowed for the neutrinos because of finite rest mass); $E = c(p^2 + m^2 c^2)^{1/2}$; k = Boltzmann's constant; $T(z_{eq}) = T_r(z_{eq}) = T_v(z_{eq}) = T_e(z_{eq}) \cdots = \text{the common temperature of radiation, neutrinos, electrons, etc., at the latest epoch characterized by redshift <math>z_{eq}$ when they may be assumed to have been in thermal equilibrium; $kT(z_{eq}) \simeq 1 \text{ MeV}$.

Since the masses of the neutrinos are expected to be small, $kT(z_{eq}) \gg m_{vi}c^2$, in the extreme-relativistic limit equation (1) reduces to

$$n_{\rm vi}(z_{\rm eq}) \simeq 0.183 [T(z_{\rm eq})/hc]^3$$
 (2)

As the Universe expands, only the neutrinos (in contrast to all other known particles) survive annihilation because of extremely low cross-sections (deGraff and Tolhock 1966), and their number density decreases with increasing volume of the Universe, simply as $\sim V(z_{eq})/V(z) = [(1 + z)/(1 + z_{eq})]^3$. Noting that $(1 + z_{eq})/(1 + z) = T_r(z_{eq})/T_r(z)$, the number density at the present epoch (z = 0) is given by

$$n_{\rm vi}(0) = n_{\rm vi}(z_{\rm eq})/(1 + z_{\rm eq})^3 \simeq 0.183[T_{\rm r}(0)/hc]^3 \simeq 300 \,{\rm cm}^{-3}$$
, (3)

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- Almost 40 years ago, beginnings of the idea of weakly interacting particles (neutrinos) as dark matter
- Massive neutrinos are no longer a good candidate (hot dark matter)
- However, the idea of weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) as dark matter is now standard

What is wrong with neutrino dark matter?



Galactic Phase Space ("Tremaine-Gunn-Limit")

Maximum mass density of a degenerate Fermi gas

$$\rho_{\max} = m_{\nu} \frac{p_{\max}^3}{\underbrace{3\pi^2}_{n_{\max}}} = \frac{m_{\nu} (m_{\nu} v_{\text{escape}})^3}{3\pi^2}$$

Spiral galaxies $m_v > 20-40 \text{ eV}$ Dwarf galaxies $m_v > 100-200 \text{ eV}$

Neutrino Free Streaming (Collisionless Phase Mixing)

- At T < 1 MeV neutrino scattering in early universe is ineffective
- Stream freely until non-relativistic
- Wash out density contrasts on small scales



Structure Formation with Hot Dark Matter Z=32.33





Standard Λ CDM Model

Neutrinos with $\Sigma m_v = 6.9 \text{ eV}$

Structure fromation simulated with Gadget code Cube size 256 Mpc at zero redshift Troels Haugbølle, http://users-phys.au.dk/haugboel

Structure Formation with Hot Dark Matter Z= 2.38





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Power Spectrum of Cosmic Density Fluctuations



Power Spectrum of CMB Temperature Fluctuations

Sky map of CMBR temperature fluctuations

$$\Delta(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{T(\theta, \varphi) - \langle T \rangle}{\langle T \rangle}$$



Multipole expansion $\Delta(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \varphi)$

Angular power spectrum

$$C_{\ell} = \langle a_{\ell m}^* a_{\ell m} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\ell + 1} \sum_{m = -\ell}^{\ell} a_{\ell m}^* a_{\ell m}$$



Latest Angular Power Spectrum (WMAP 7 years)



Komatsu et al. (WMAP Collaboration), arXiv:1001.4538

Radiation Content at CMB Decoupling



Komatsu et al. (WMAP Collaboration), arXiv:1001.4538

- Existence of cosmic neutrino sea clearly confirmed by precision cosmology
- All analyses find mild indication for excess radiation
- \bullet Planck data will fix $\,N_{eff}\,$ to $\,\pm 0.26$ (68% CL) or better

Weak Lensing – A Powerful Probe for the Future



Distortion of background images by foreground matter



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Mass-Energy-Inventory of the Universe





Are Neutrinos their own Antiparticles?

	Matter					
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	Qua	arks	Leptons			
Charge	-1/3	+2/3	-1	0		
1 st Family	d	u	е	ν _e		
2 nd Family	S	С	μ	ν_{μ}		
3 rd Family	b	t	τ	$\nu_{ au}$		
	Strong I	nt'n				
	Electromagnetic Int'n					
	Weak Interaction					
	Gravitation					

Are Neutrinos their own Antiparticles?

	Matter Abr Detron Poly Poly Corris				Anti-Matter			
					Much less anti-matter in the universe: Baryon asymmetry of the Universe (BAU)			
	Qua	arks	Lept	tons	Anti-Le	eptons Anti-C		Quarks
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	Electromagnetic Int'n				Electromagnetic Int'n			
	Weak Interaction							
	Gravitation							

Are Neutrinos their own Antiparticles?

R	Matter				Anti-Matter			
	"Majorana Neutrinos"				are their own antiparticles			
	Qua	arks	Leptons		Anti-Le	eptons	Anti-Quarks	
Charge	-1/3	+2/3	-1			+1	-2/3	+1/3
1 st Family	d	u	е	v _e		e ⁺	ū	d
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	Electror	nagnetic	Int'n			Electromagnetic Int'n		
	Weak Interaction							
	Gravitation							

Solar Neutrinos vs. Reactor Antineutrinos



Role of Neutrino Helicity (Handedness)



Basic production process in reactors











Basic production process in the Sun







Role of Neutrino Helicity (Handedness)



Basic production process in reactors









Basic production process in the Sun







Role of Neutrino Helicity (Handedness)



Basic production process in reactors



Anti-neutrinos always right-handed helicity







Basic production process in the Sun



Neutrinos always left-handed helicity







Majorana neutrinos: Helicity flip \rightarrow anti-neutrino v_e/\overline{v}_e property depends on Lorentz frame

Neutrinoless ββ Decay



GERDA Germanium Double Beta Experiment





Bare enriched Ge-76 array in liquid Ar, located in Gran Sasso

Phase I (being commissioned) 18 kg (HdM/IGEX) + 15 kg natural Ge $T_{1/2} > 3 \times 10^{25}$ years Test claim of Klapdor-Kleingrothaus

Phase II, O(100 kg years) Add ~ 20 kg enriched new detectors $T_{1/2} > 2 \times 10^{26}$ years Degenerate masses: $m_{ee} \sim 75-130$ meV

Phase III, O(1000 kg years) with Majorana collaboration? 1-ton scale $T_{1/2} > 2 \times 10^{27}$ years

Inverted hierarchy: $m_{ee} \sim 24-41 \text{ meV}$

Several other large projects worldwide

See-Saw Model for Neutrino Masses



Mass matrix for one family of ordinary and heavy r.h. neutrinos

$$(\overline{\nu}_L, \overline{N}_R) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & m_D \\ m_D & \mathbf{M} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ N_R \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonalization

$$(\overline{\nu}_L, \overline{N}_R) \begin{pmatrix} m_D^2/M & 0\\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L\\ N_R \end{pmatrix}$$

One light and one heavy Majorana neutrino



BARYOGENESIS WITHOUT GRAND UNIFICATION

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Received 8 March 1986

A mechanism is pointed out to generate cosmological baryon number excess without resorting to grand unified theories. The lepton number excess originating from Majorana mass terms may transform into the baryon number excess through the unsuppressed baryon number violation of electroweak processes at high temperatures.



CP-violating decays of heavy sterile neutrinos by interference of tree-level with one-loop diagram

Baryogenesis by Leptogenesis?

The Standard Model of Elementary Particles



Dark Energy 73% (Cosmological Constant)

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Topics: Geophysics, Non-Proliferation, Reactor Monitoring

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IAEA Monitors Fissile Material in Civil Nuclear Cycles (under the NPT and Negotiated Safeguards Agreements)



- Current reactor safeguards involve:
 - Checking Input and Output Declarations
 - Item Accountancy
 - Containment and Surveillance
- No direct Pu production or power measurement made
- While effective, these techniques consume an increasingly scarce resource – inspectors

Antineutrino detectors could provide continuous, non-intrusive, unattended measurements suitable for IAEA reactor safeguards regimes

Neutrino Monitoring of Nuclear Reactors

San Onofre Nuclear Reactor (California)

Neutrino measurements with SONGS1 detector (1m³ Scintillator)





- 3.4 GW thermal power
- Produces ~ $10^{21} \overline{\nu}_e \ \mathrm{s}^{-1}$
- 3800 neutrino reactions/day in 1 m³ liquid scintillator
- Relatively small detectors can measure nuclear activity without intrusion
- Of interest for monitoring by International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

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Reactor Power

Geo Neutrinos: What is it all about?

We know surprisingly little about the Earth's interior

- Deepest drill hole \sim 12 km
- Samples of crust for chemical analysis available (e.g. vulcanoes)
- Reconstructed density profile from seismic measurements
- Heat flux from measured temperature gradient 30–44 TW (Expectation from canonical BSE model ~ 19 TW from crust and mantle, nothing from core)



- Neutrinos escape unscathed
- Carry information about chemical composition, radioactive energy production or even a hypothetical reactor in the Earth's core

Geo Neutrinos



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Latest KamLAND Measurements of Geo Neutrinos



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September 15th

<u>Neutrino & Non Proliferation</u> - Near Field (6 hours) - Far Field (1 hour)

September 16th

Neutrino Technologies (morning session)

Geoneutrinos (afternoon session)

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Supernova 1987A 23 February 1987

Neutrino Signal of Supernova 1987A



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2002 Physics Nobel Prize for Neutrino Astronomy





Ray Davis Jr. (1914–2006) Masatoshi Koshiba (*1926)

"for pioneering contributions to astrophysics, in particular for the detection of cosmic neutrinos"

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Physics Opportunities with Supernova Neutrinos

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Cosmic Rays





Air Shower:

- 10¹⁹ eV primary particle
- 100 billion secondary particles at sea level

Cosmic Rays



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Cosmic Rays

Primary Cosmic Rays



100 years later we are still asking What are the sources for the primary cosmic rays?



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Victor Hess (1911/12)

Neutrino Beams: Heaven and Earth



Nucleus of the Active Galaxy NGC 4261

Ground-Based Optical/Radio Image HST Image of a Gas and Dust Disk

380 Arc Seconds 88,000 LIGHT-YEARS 17 Arc Seconds 400 LIGHT-YEARS

Nucleus of the Active Galaxy NGC 4261

Ground-Based Optical/Radio Image



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Scott Amundsen Base at the South Pole

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IceCube Neutrino Telescope at the South Pole



Instrumentation of 1 km³ antarctic ice with \sim 5000 photo multipliers completed December 2010





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IceCube Neutrino Sky

Full-sky map, based on 40 strings



IceCube Collaboration, arXiv:1012.2137 and Gaisser at Neutel 2011

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ANTARES – Neutrino Telescope in the Mediterranean



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Luminescent Ceatures of the Deep Sea



Luminescent Ceatures of the Deep Sea





Three Mediterranean Pilot Projects



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Towards a km³ Detector in the Mediterranean

KM3NeT

Conceptual Design for a Deep-Sea Research Infrastructure Incorporating a Very Large Volume Neutrino Telescope in the Mediterranean Sea

http://www.km3net.org





Frontiers of Neutrino Physics

Matter-Antimatter-Issues

- Majorana masses (neutrinoless double beta decay)
- Oscillation difference between v and \overline{v} (Dirac phase) Baryon asymmetry of the universe (leptogenesis)

Absolute Mass

- **Experimental determination**
- Role in cosmology for structure formation

Exploring the Universe with Neutrinos

- Sources of high-energy cosmic rays
- Next galactic supernova
- Diffuse SN neutrino background in the universe
- Sun
- Earth
- Reactor monitoring



