Precision measurements with JUNO: the next generation reactor neutrinos experiment

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Survival Probability

$$\begin{split} P\left(\overline{\nu}_{e} \rightarrow \overline{\nu}_{e}\right) &= 1 \quad - \quad \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13} \cdot \left(\cos^{2} \theta_{12} \sin^{2} \Delta_{31} + \sin^{2} \theta_{12} \sin^{2} \Delta_{32}\right) & \text{FAST } \Delta m_{atm}^{2} \\ &- \quad \sin^{2} 2\theta_{12} \cdot \cos^{4} \theta_{13} \sin^{2} \Delta_{12} & \text{SLOW } \Delta m_{sol}^{2} \end{split}$$



JUNO Mass Hierarchy Sensitivity



Many Experimental Caveats

Detection Systematics

- Energy Resolution
- Energy Linearity

Background-related uncertainties Spatial distribution of reactor cores

we'll deal with them we'll deal with slides

Mass Hierarchy Sensitivity

100k signal events (20kt x 36GW x 6 years) Δx^2 : Fitting wrong model - Fitting correct one

- ----- Unconstrained (JUNO only) $\Delta \chi^2 \sim 10$
 - Using external $\Delta m_{\mu\mu}$ (1% precision) from long baseline exps: $\Delta \chi^2 \sim 14$

JUNO Oscillation Parameters Measurement

✓ Measuring the $\overline{\nu}_e$ spectrum allows to perform precise measurements of four oscillation parameters: θ_{13} , θ_{12} , Δm^2_{21} and $|\Delta m^2_{ee}|$

 \clubsuit sin^2 $2\theta_{12},~\Delta m^2_{21}$ and $|\Delta m^2_{ee}|$ can be measured with a precision <1%

Survival Probability

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$$- \quad \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cdot \cos^4 \theta_{13} \sin^2 \Delta_{12}$$



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Oscillation Parameters : Mass Splittings

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Oscillation Parameters : Mixing Angles

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 $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$, Δm_{21}^2 and $|\Delta m_{ee}^2|$

Survival Probability



Oscillation Parameters : precision and systematics

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JUNO Extended Physics Programme

UNDERSTANDING OUR UNIVERSE: SUPERNOVA BURST NEUTRINOS

UNDERSTANDING OUR PLANET: GEONEUTRINOS

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UNDERSTANDING THE SUN: SOLAR NEUTRINOS

JUNO SuperNova Neutrino Physics



- ✤ Huge amount of energy (3×10⁵³erg) emitted in neutrinos (~0.2M_☉) over long time range
- ✤ 3 phases equally important ► 3 experiments teaching us about astro- and particle-physics

| Process | Туре | $Events \ \langle E_v \rangle {=} 14 MeV$ |
|--|------|---|
| $\overline{v}_e{+}p \rightarrow e^{+}{+}n$ | CC | 5.0×10 ³ |
| $v+p \rightarrow v+p$ | NC | 1.2×10 ³ |
| $v + e \rightarrow v + e$ | ES | 3.6×10 ² |
| $v+{}^{12}C \rightarrow v+{}^{12}C^{\star}$ | NC | 3.2×10 ² |
| $v_e {+}^{12}C \rightarrow e^{-} {+}^{12}N$ | CC | 0.9×10 ² |
| $\overline{v}_e {}^{+12}C \rightarrow e^{+} {}^{+12}B$ | CC | 1.1×10 ² |
| NB Other $\langle E_{v} \rangle$ values need to be considered to get complete picture. | | |

Expected events in JUNO for a typical SN distance of 10kpc

We try to be able to handle Betelgeuse (d~0.2kpc) resulting in ~10MHz trigger rate

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Earth's surface heat flow 46±3TW. What fraction due to **primordial vs radioactive** sources? Understanding of:

- * composition of the Earth : abundance of radioactive elements
- * chemical layering in the mantle and the nature of mantle convection
- * energy needed to drive plate tectonics
- * understand how the geodynamo, which powers the magnetosphere, works

Detect electron antineutrinos from the ²³⁸U and ²³²Th decay chains



JUNO Solar Neutrino Physics

Fusion reactions in solar core: powerful source of electron neutrinos O(I MeV)

JUNO: neutrinos from ⁷Be and ⁸B chains

Investigate **MSW effect**: Transition between vacuum and matter dominated regimes

Constrain **Solar Metallicity** Problem: Neutrinos as proxy for Sun composition





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The JUNO Experiment



JUNO Detector Design



JUNO Detector Challenges



JUNO Civil Construction (summer 2018)



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JUNO Central Detector Prototype



JUNO Liquid Scintillator

Requirements for $E_{res} = 3\%/\sqrt{E}$

- $\bullet\,$ high light yield: $\sim 10^4$ photons/MeV
- high transparency: att. length > 25 m @ 430 nm

Purification pilot plant

- $\bullet\,$ Check purification effectiveness on U/Th/K and radioactive gases
- $\bullet~$ Targeted at least $10^{-15}~g/g$
- Under operation at Daya Bay
- Distillation Al₂O₃, column purification, water extraction and gas stripping
- > 25 m A.L. after filling (measured)
- optimizing LS recipe, studying radio-purity
- same plants scaled for JUNO



JUNO 20" and 3" PMTs system



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20" PMTs from NNVT and Hamamatsu

JUNO Readout electronics

20" PMT system

- waveform sampled at 1 GHz and digitized close to source
- 3 PMTs readout and digitally processed by one Global Control Unit Board (GCU)
- digital signal trasferred above water using Gbit Ethernet link
- run in global trigger or auto-trigger mode
- local DDR memory available for Super Nova events

3" PMT system

- 128 PMTs are readout and digitized underwater. Digitization performed with CatiROC chip.
- system works in photon counting mode (1 hit = 1 p.e.)
- no dead time up to 200 kHz
- excellent time resolution (\sim 50 ps) and linearity (< 400 p.e.)



JUNO Calibration System



JUNO-TAO

- Taishan Antineutirno Observatory (TAO), a ton-level, high energy resolution LS detector at 30 m from the core, a satellite experiment for JUNO
- measure the reactor neutrino spectrum with sub-percent E resolution
 - ➔ provide model-independent reference spectrum for JUNO
 - ➔ provide a benchmark for investigation of the nuclear database
- full coverage of SiPM with 50% PDE (-50°C) + LS → 4500 pe/MeV
 - → $1.5\%/\sqrt{E}$ photon statistical resolution
 - ightarrow < 1% energy resolution at > 3 MeV



TAO detector structure

- \bullet 3 t of Gd-LS in a spherical vessel
 - ➔ 1 t FV: event rates: 30 × JUNO
- 10 m² SiPM with 50% PDE, operated at $-50^{\circ}C$
- Cryogenic vessel, HDPE shielding, muon veto, calibration system
- laboratory in a basement at -10 m, about 30-35 m from the Taishan-1 reactor core (4.5 GW)
 - ➔ fast neutron bkg well controlled with 1 m HDPE shielding
- plan to be online in 2020

Welcome new collaborators!



- The JUNO experiment provides vast physics opportunities with its large mass and unprecedented energy resolution
- Aim at Neutrino Mass Ordering sensitivity 3σ in 6 yrs
- Sub-percent measurement of sin² θ_{12} , Δm_{12}^2 and Δm_{ee}^2
- many other physics topics can be accessed (geo-neutrinos, solar neutrinos, supernova neutrinos, proton decay, ...)
- need a precise understanding of the detector response and of the energy scale
- a reference detector, TAO, is planned for precise reactor spectrum measurements close to the Taishan core
- project well along the realization path
- expected data taking to start in 2021